



# Language Basics

# Objectives

In this module you will learn about :

- Path and Classpath
- Command line arguments
- Keywords
- Basic data types
- Types of Operators.

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# A Simple Java Program – The Set Up

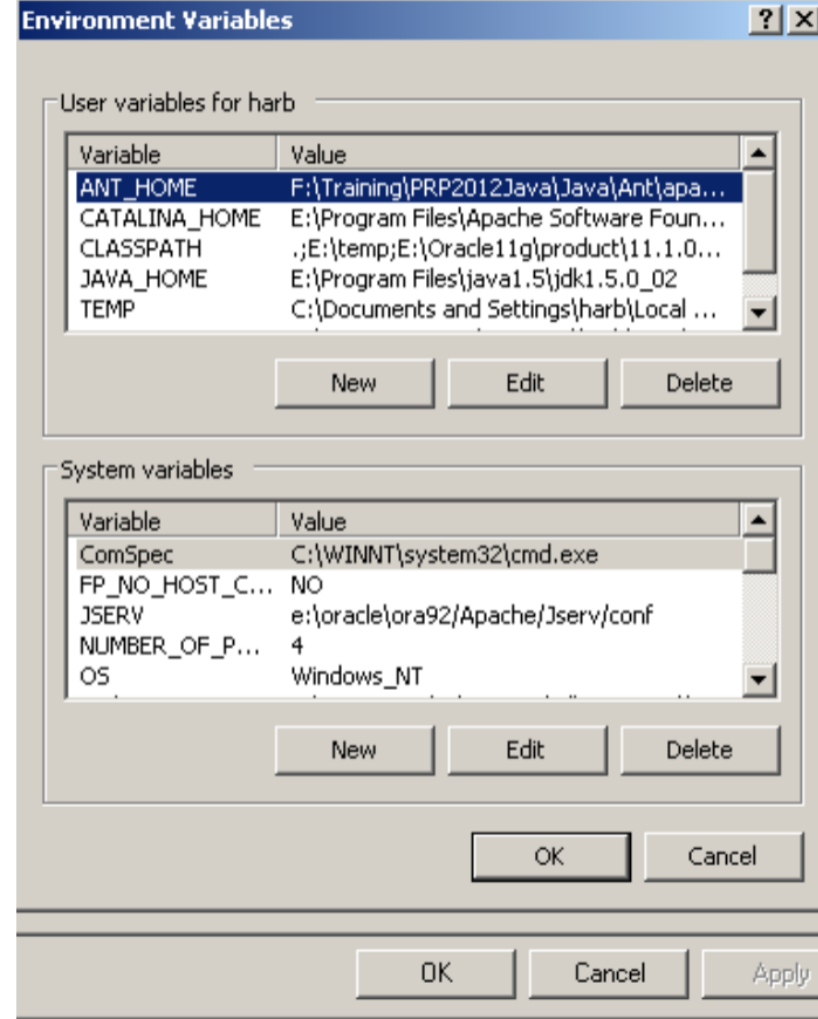
- Before we learn about writing a simple java program, let us understand what preparations are needed for running a java program from console
- We have to define PATH and CLASSPATH parameters and create necessary directories(folders) where we will be storing all our program files

# PATH

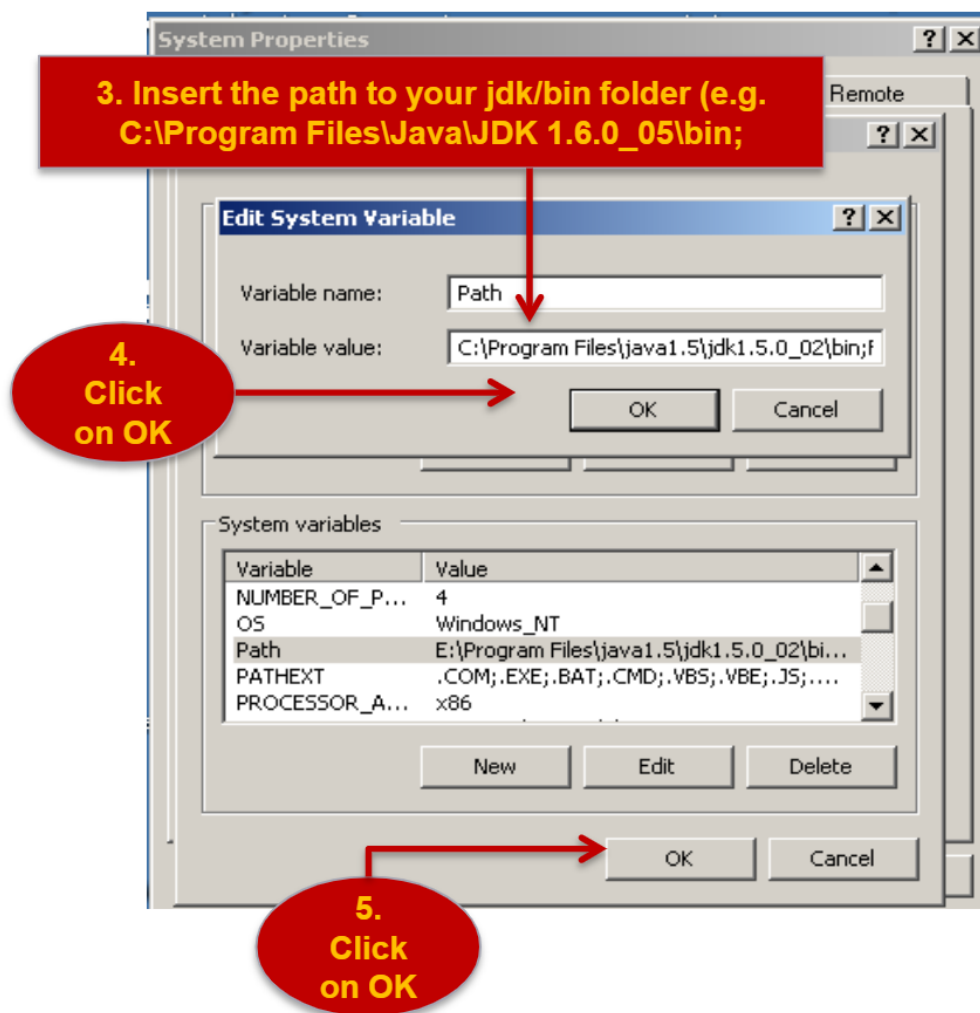
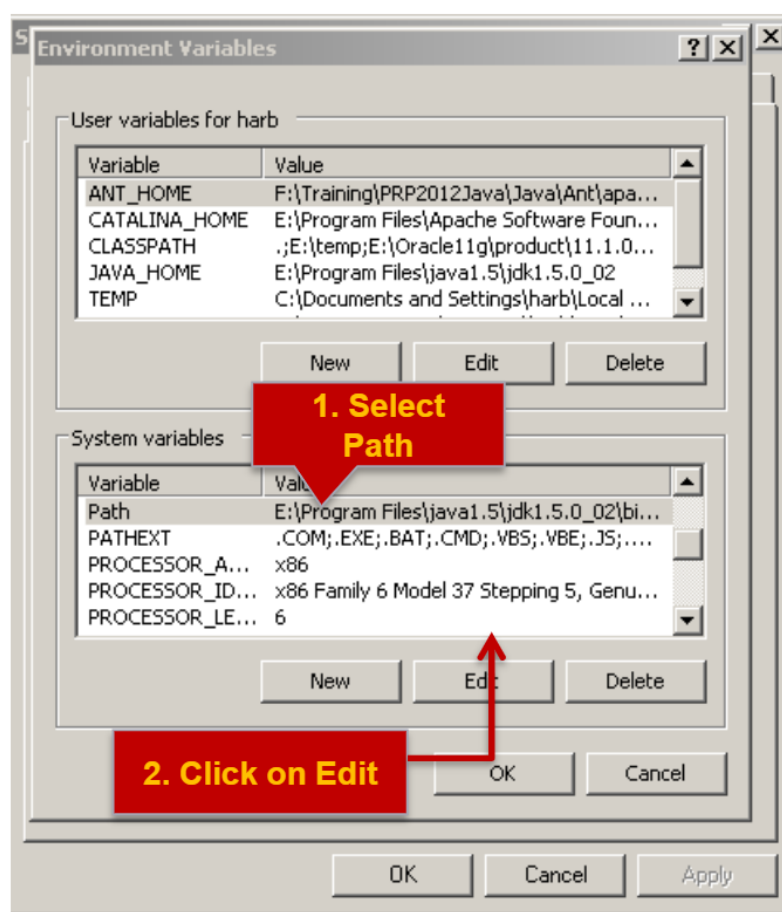
- PATH is an *environmental variable* in DOS(Disk Operating System), Windows and other operating systems like Unix.
- PATH tells the operating system which directories(folders) to search for executable files, in response to commands issued by a user .
- It is a convenient way of executing files without bothering about providing the absolute path to the folder, where the file is located.

# How to set PATH ?

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5. Select Environment Variables
6. You will see Environment Variables Page as displayed here



# How to set PATH ? (Contd.).



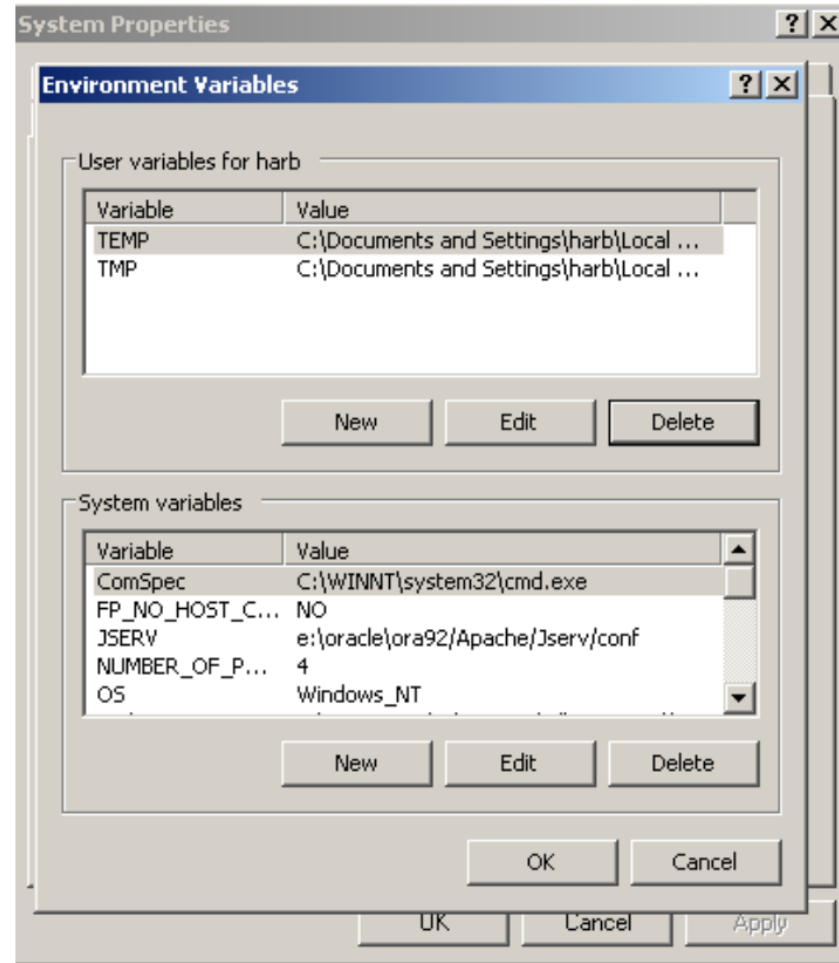
# CLASSPATH

- CLASSPATH is a parameter which tells the JVM or the Compiler, where to locate classes that are not part of Java Development ToolKit(JDK).
- CLASSPATH is set either on command-line or through environment variable.
- CLASSPATH set on command-line is temporary in nature, while the environment variable is permanent.

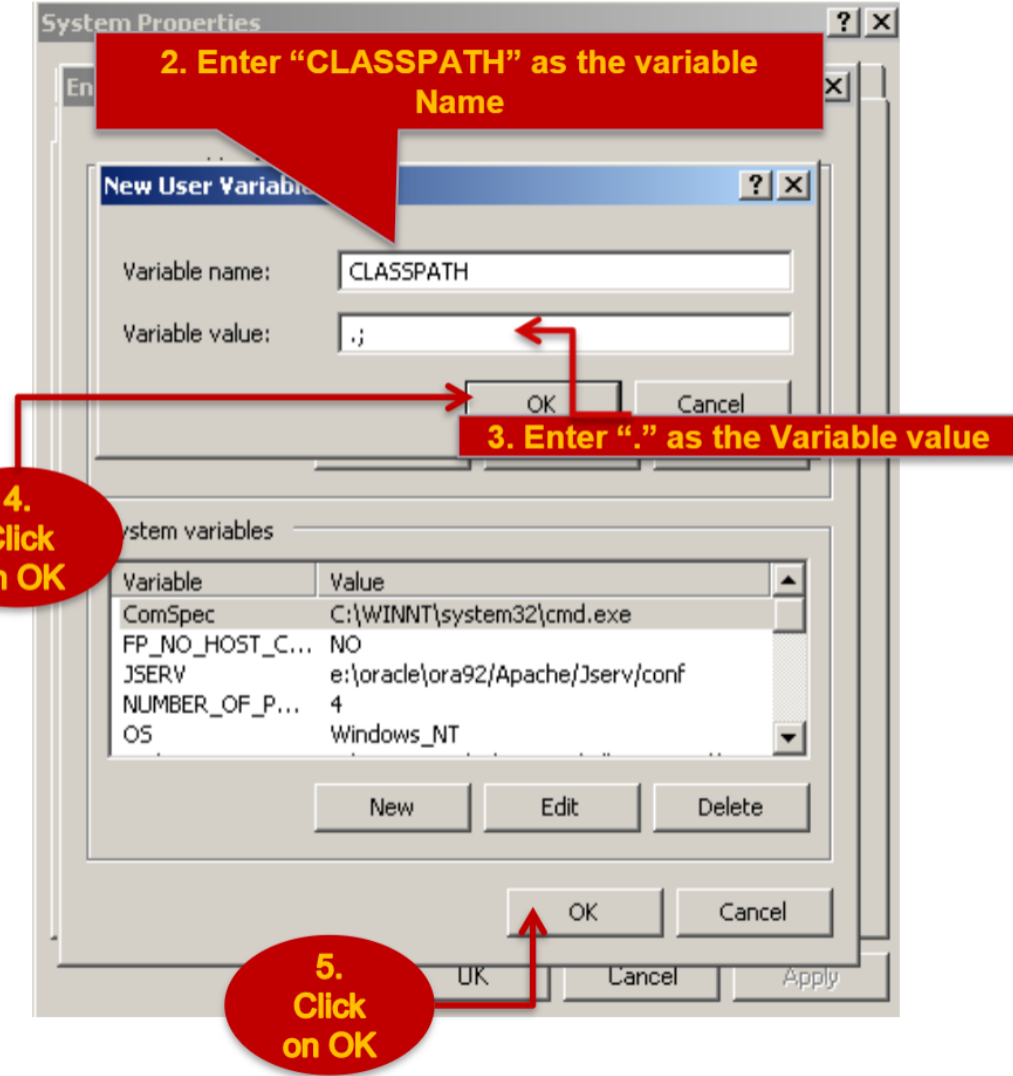
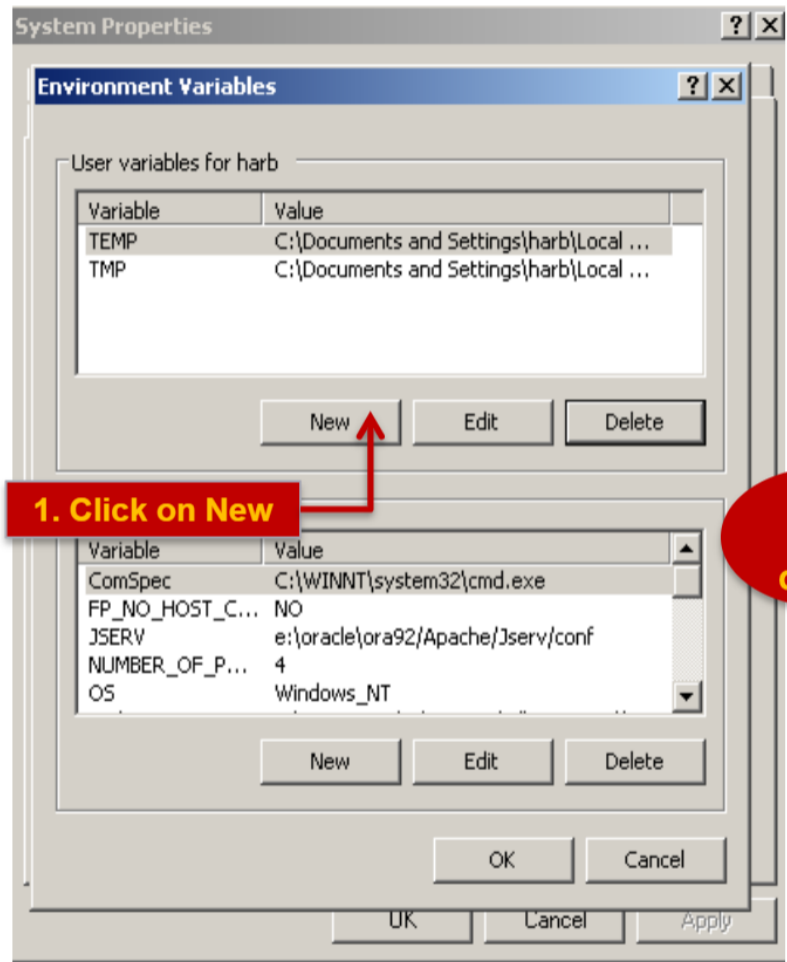


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# A Simple Java Program

## Our first Java Program:

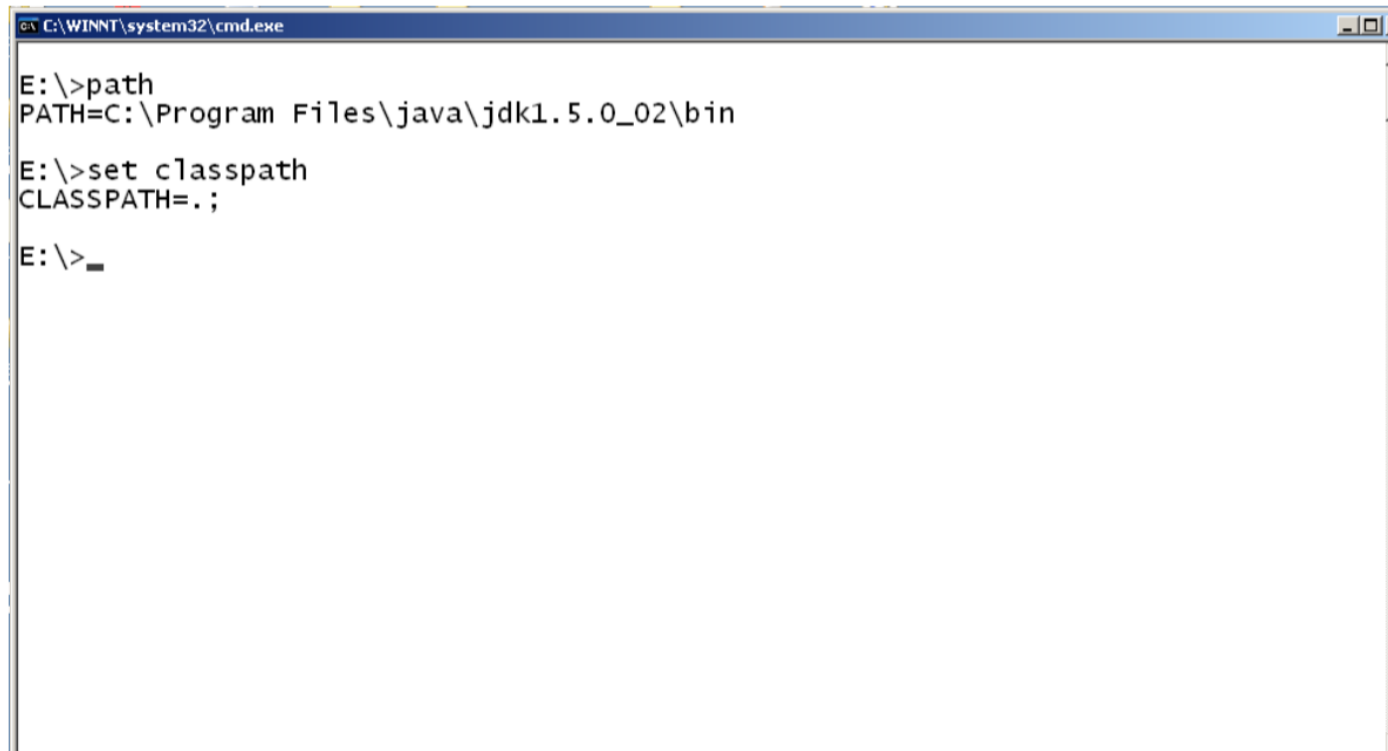
```
public class Welcome {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        System.out.println("Welcome..!");  
    }  
}
```

**This program displays the output “Welcome..!”  
on the console**

Create source file	:	Welcome.java
Compile	:	javac Welcome.java
Execute	:	java Welcome

# Executing your first Java Program

- Before executing the program, just check whether the PATH and the CLASSPATH parameters are properly set, by typing in the commands as shown in the screen below:



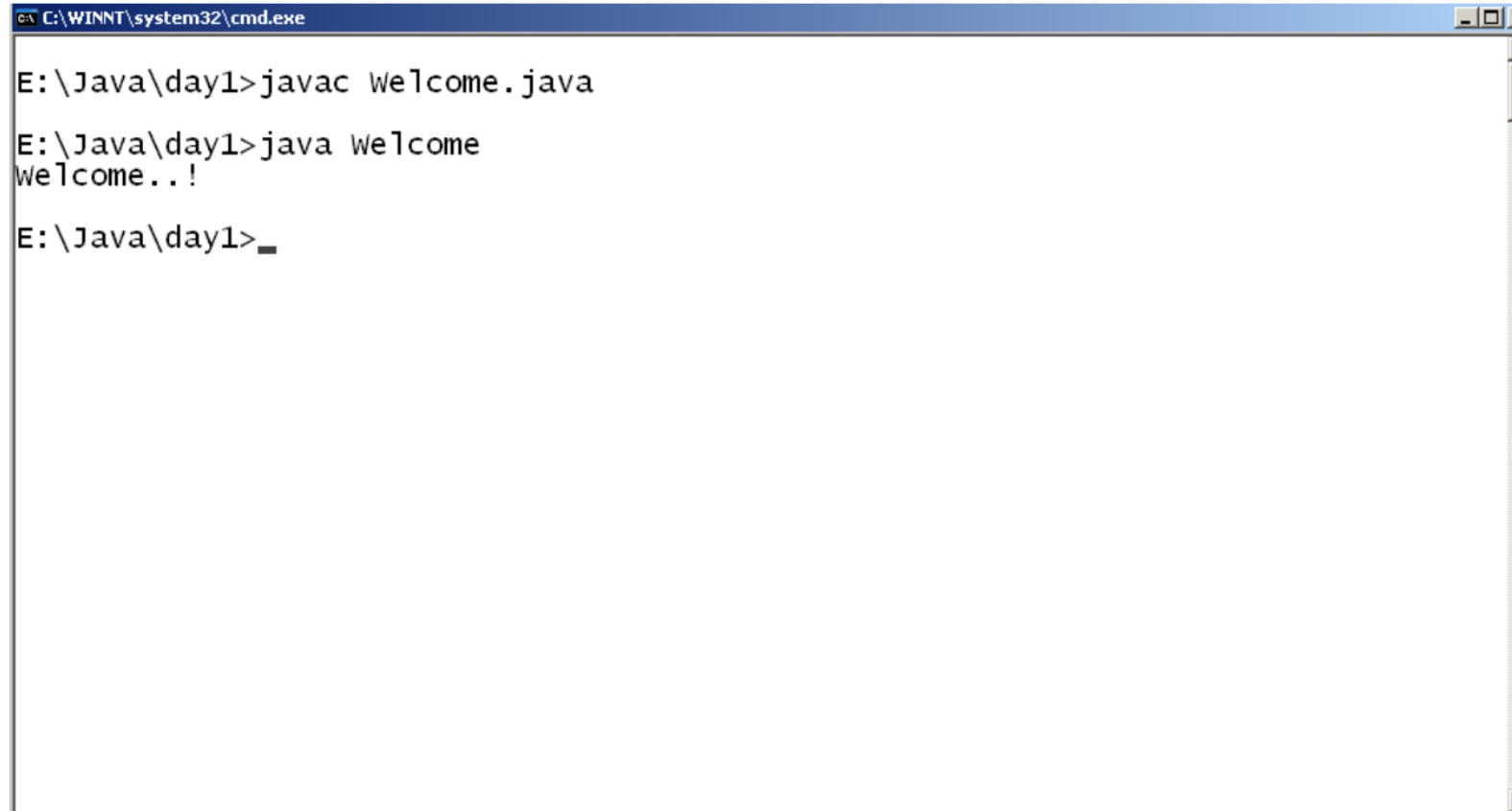
```
C:\WINNT\system32\cmd.exe
E:\>path
PATH=C:\Program Files\java\jdk1.5.0_02\bin

E:\>set classpath
CLASSPATH=.;

E:\>_
```

# Executing your first Java Program (Contd.).

- Now compile and execute your program as given below :



```
C:\WINNT\system32\cmd.exe

E:\Java\day1>javac welcome.java

E:\Java\day1>java welcome
welcome..!

E:\Java\day1>_
```

# Quiz

**Sample.java file contains class A, B and C. How many .class files will be created after compiling Sample.java ? What is your observation ?**

Sample.java

```
class A {  
    void m1 () { }  
}  
  
class B {  
    void m2 () { }  
}  
  
class C {  
    void m3 () { }  
}
```

## Quiz(Contd..)

**What will be the result if you try to compile and execute the following program ?**

Reason out :

Sample.java

```
class Sample {  
    public static void main() {  
        System.out.println("Welcome");  
    }  
}
```

- a. Compilation Error
- b. Runtime Error
- c. The program compiles and executes successfully but prints nothing.
- d. It will print "Welcome"

# Accessing command line arguments

When you execute a java program, you can pass command line arguments in the following way :

```
java Simple <argument1> <argument2>...<argument-n>
```

You can access these arguments in your program, using the String array that you have passed as an argument to the main method – String[] args



**args[0]**

**args[1]**

**args[n-1]**



# Passing command line arguments

```
class Simple {  
    static public void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(args[0]);  
    }  
}
```

When we compile the above code successfully and execute it as `Java Simple Wipro`, the output will be :

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# Accessing numeric command line arguments

```
class Simple {  
    static public void main(String[] args) {  
        int i1 = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);  
        int i2 = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);  
        System.out.println(i1+i2);  
    }  
}
```

When we compile the above code successfully and execute it as `Java Simple 10 20`, the output will be :



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# Finding length of an Array

- How to find the number of command line arguments that a user may pass while executing a java program?
- The answer to the above question lies in **args.length**, where args is the String array that we pass to the main method and length is the property of the Array Object

# Example on Finding length of an Array

```
class FindNumberOfArguments {  
    public static void main(String[ ] args) {  
        int len = args.length;  
        System.out.println(len);  
    }  
}
```

If you compile the above code successfully and execute it as `java FindLength A B C D E F`, the result will be

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And if you execute it as `java FindLength Tom John Lee`, the result will be

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