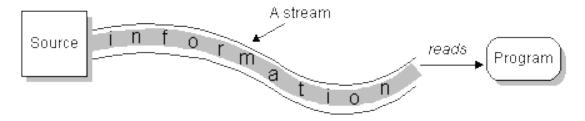
Java Input/Output Streams

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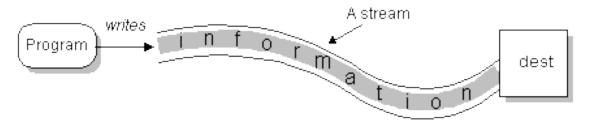
Some useful links:

http://java.sun.com/docs/books/tutorial/essential/TOC.html#io

Input Stream



Output Stream



JVM creates the streams

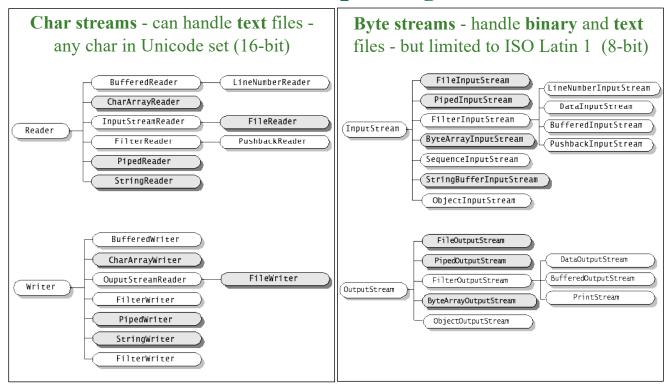
- System.in (type InputStream): stdin (keyboard input)
- System.out (type PrintStream): stdout (keyboard output)
- System.err (type PrintStream): stderr (keyboard output for error messages)

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Input / Output

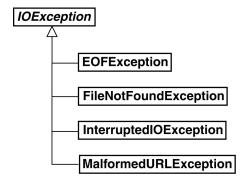
- Internally Java uses Unicode for encoding characters, i.e., 2 bytes for each character which permits a larger set than ASCII;
- Java 1.1 uses 16-bit characters but to remain compatible with previous (Java 1.0) code it accepts 8-bit streams for keyboard I/O;
- There are several adapter classes (e.g. InputStreamReader, OutputStreamWriter) to convert 8-bit streams to 16-bit;
- There are several wrappers for binary input which read bytes and then transform/cast values according to the data types involved.

Classes from java.io package



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Exception Classes



File class (getting file info)

```
import java.io.*;
public class FileApp {
 public static void main(String args[]){
    String filename = (args.length==1?args[0]:"Teste.txt");
    try {
      // Open file inside "classes" folder
      File file = new File("classes", filename);
      // Print some file information
      System.out.println("File name - " + file.getName());
      System.out.println("File path - " + file.getPath())
     System.out.println("File Size - " + file.length());
     System.out.println("File Absolut Path - " + file.getAbsolutePath());
      Date d = new Date(file.lastModified());
      System.out.println("File Last Modified - " + d.toString());
     System.out.println("File is dir? - " + file.isDirectory());
      System.out.println("File is file? - " + file.isFile());
      System.out.println("File is hidden? - " + file.isHidden());
    } catch (Exception e) {
        System.err.println("FileApp - main(): "+e.toString());
```

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File class (getting folder info)

```
import java.io.*;
public class FileApp {
 public static void main(String args[]) {
    String filename = (args.length==1?args[0]:"Teste.txt");
    try {
      // Open "classes" folder
     File file = new File("classes");
      // Print folder information
      System.out.println("\nFileApp - main(): folder info:");
      System.out.println("Folder name - " + folder.getName());
      System.out.println("Folder is directory - " + folder.isDirectory());
      System.out.println("Folder path - " + folder.getPath());
      System.out.println("Folder can read - " + folder.canRead());
     System.out.println("Folder can write - " + folder.canWrite());
     System.out.println("Folder is hidden - " + folder.isHidden());
      System.out.println("Folder content - ");
      // Print folder content
      String[] content = folder.list();
      for(int f=0; f<content.length; f++) System.out.println(" "+content[f]);</pre>
    } catch (Exception e) {
        System.err.println("FileApp - main(): "+e.toString());
```

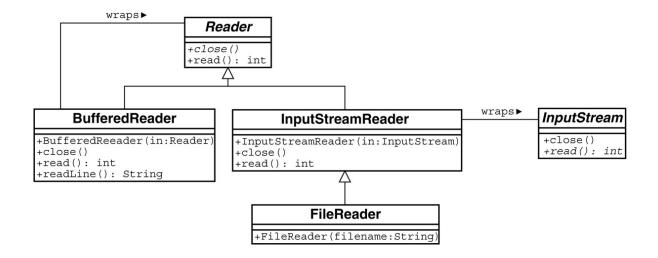
Input from File (FileInputStream & DataInputStream)

```
import java.io.*;
public class DataInputStreamApp {
 public static void main(String args[]) {
   String filename = (args.length==1?args[0]:"Test.txt");
    String line="";
   int line count = 0;
    try {
      // Open byte stream
     FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream(filename);
     DataInputStream dis = new DataInputStream(fis);
      System.out.println("DataInputStreamApp - main(): file lines are...");
      // THE readLine() METHOD IS DEPRECATED, THEREFORE,
      // WITH TEXT FILES USE Reader/Writer Classes INSTEAD (see next slides)
      while ((line = dis.readLine()) != null) {
        System.out.println(">"+line count+" - "+line);
        line count++;
      dis.close();
      } catch (Exception e) {
        System.err.println("DataInputStreamApp - main(): file input error!");
```

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Input Classes: java.io package

Read from stream...



Text Input Classes

- FileReader fr = FileReader(filename);
 open a file for reading one char at a time
- BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(filename)); read a block of characters at a time (buffering); treat files as streams of characters (increases reading efficiency and allows line-based reading).

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Text Input - FileReader class

```
import java.io.*;
public final class FileReaderApp {
    public static void main (String[] args) {
       FileReader fr = null;
           String filename = (args.length==1?args[0]:"Test.txt");
           // The Output folder is the Working Directory defined
            // in the JBuilder Project Properties
            fr = new FileReader(filename);
            int i=0;
            while ((i=fr.read())!=-1) System.out.print((char)i);
       } catch (IOException ioe) {
            ioe.printStackTrace();
       } finally {
                 if (fr!=null) fr.close();
            } catch (IOException e) {
                e.printStackTrace();
       }
```

Text Input - BufferedReader class

```
import java.io.*;
public final class BufferedInputApp {

// Does not handle IOException - throws it
  public static void main (String[] args) throws IOException {

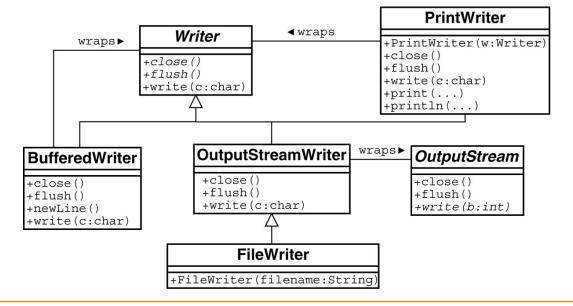
   String filename = (args.length == 1 ? args[0] : "Test.txt");
   String line = "";
   File file = new File(filename);
   FileReader fr = new FileReader(file);
   BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(fr);

   // Read lines from file
   int line_count = 1;
   while ((line = br.readLine()) != null) {
      System.out.println("Linha " + (line_count++) + " = " + line);
   }
}
```

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Output Classes: java.io package

Write to stream...



Text Output Classes

- FileWriter fw = FileWriter(filename);
 open a file for writing one char at a time
- PrintWriter pr = new PrintWriter(new FileWriter(filename));
 open a file for printing chars or lines
- BufferedWriter bw =
 new BufferedWriter(new FileWriter(filename));
 write a block of characters at a time (buffering);
 treat files as streams of characters (increases writing efficiency and allows line-based writing

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Text Output - PrintWriter class

```
import java.io.*;
public class PrintWriterApp {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    try {
      // We can use either FileOutputStream or FileWriter
      //FileOutputStream fos = new FileOutputStream("classes\\Test.txt");
      //PrintWriter pw = new PrintWriter(fos);
      FileWriter fw = new FileWriter("classes\\Test.txt");
      PrintWriter pw = new PrintWriter(fw);
      // Print into to the file
      pw.println("Hello world!");
      // Flush and close
      pw.flush();
      pw.close();
    } catch (Exception e) {
      System.err.println("PrintWriterApp - main(): "+e.toString());
```

Sequential Binary Files

- Open a file for sequential writing, i.e., reading or writing the file from beginning to end as a sequential stream of chars/bytes
- We can store (read/write) both primitive values and objects:
 - □ **Primitive** types (e.g., byte, short, int, long, float, double, etc.)
 - Object types (e.g., String, Date, Client, Account, etc.)

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Primitive Binary Output (DataOutputStream)

Primitive Binary Input (DataInputStream)

```
import java.io.*;
public class BinInputFileApp {
  public static void main(String arg[]) {
    try {
        String filename = (args.length == 1 ? args[0] : "Test.bin");
         FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream(filename);
         DataInputStream dis = new DataInputStream(fis);
         // Read doubles (binary data) from file; There are other methods:
        // readByte(), readInt(), readLong(), readShort(), readFloat(), etc.
         while (dis.available()!=0) {
          double d = dis.readDouble();
           System.out.println("FileInputApp - main(): " + d);
         dis.close();
    } catch (Exception e) {
         e.printStackTrace();
  }
```

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Interface java.io.Serializable

- Interface with no methods is a "marker/tag" indicating to the JVM that a given class can be serialized, i.e., become persistent
- Persistency save object to stream of bytes, i.e., permanent storage, net transmition,etc
- Classes that do not implement Serializable cannot save/restore their state (member variables only)
- Only the data of objects is preserved (made peristency) class methods and constructors are not part of the serialized stream

Interface java.io.Serializable

- The JVM serializes the entire object graph, i.e., when serializing na object all the inner-objects are serialized too
- An object that contains non-serializable inner-objects (member variables of non-serializable class types) cannot be serialized launches exception NotSerializableException
- It is possible to mark/declare a member variable not to be serialized (private transient Thread t;) and avoid exceptions (thus allowing serialization of outer-object)

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Object Binary Output (ObjectOutputStream)

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.Date;
public class ObjectOutputApp {
 public static void main(String arg[]) {
        String filename = (args.length==1?args[0]:"classes\\Date.bin");
         File f = new File(filename);
         FileOutputStream fos = new FileOutputStream(f);
         ObjectOutputStream oos = new ObjectOutputStream(fos);
         // Object Date - today's date
         Date today = new Date(System.currentTimeMillis());
         // Write String object followed by Date object
         oos.writeObject("Today's Date:");
         oos.writeObject(today);
         oos.flush();
         oos.close();
    } catch (Exception e) {
         e.printStackTrace();
}
```

Object Binary Input (ObjectInputStream)

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.Date;
public class ObjectInputApp {
  public static void main(String arg[]) {
    try {
        String filename = (args.length==1?args[0]:"classes\\Date.bin");
        File f = new File(filename);
        FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream(f);
        ObjectInputStream ois = new ObjectInputStream(fis);
         // We must read in the same order the object were saved
         String msg = (String) ois.readObject();
         Date today = (Date) ois.readObject();
         ois.close();
         // Print out content
         System.out.println(msg + " " + today.toString());
    } catch (Exception e) {
         e.printStackTrace();
  }
```

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Input Stream from URL (abstract InputStream)

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.Date;
public class InputStreamFromURLApp {
  public static void main(String arg[]){
    try {
      // Create URL reference
      URL url = new URL("http://www.ufp.pt/~rmoreira/LP2/data.txt");
      // Open InputStream from URL
      InputStream is = url.openStream();
      // Read data into byte array buffer
     byte buffer[] = new byte[17];
      is.read(buffer, 0, buffer.length);
      // Print and save data to local file system
      BufferedWriter bw =
           new BufferedWriter(new FileWriter("classes\\data.txt"));
      for (int i = 0; i < buffer.length; i++) {</pre>
           System.out.print((char) buffer[i]);
           bw.write((char) buffer[i]);
      is.close();
    } catch (IOException ioe) { ioe.printStacTrace(); }
```

Random Access Files

- Open a file for random access, i.e., developers may read-from/writeto different positions of the file
- The RandomAccessFile class uses a file pointer (initially pointing to the beginning of the file 0 Zero) which stores the file position where we are reading-from or writing-to
- Each read/write operation increments the file pointer by the number of byte transfered
- Developers may move/position the file pointer (via seek() method) and read bytes from that position onward (or write bytes to that position onward)

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Random Output (RandomAccessFile)

```
import java.io.*;
public class RandomFileOutputApp {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    try {
      // Create file for read-write operations
      RandomAccessFile raf = new RandomAccessFile("Test.txt", "rw");
      // Get current location of file pointer - will print 0 (zero)
      long fp = raf.getFilePointer();
      System.out.println("RandomFileOutputApp-main(): file pointer = "+fp);
      // We could skip the first nbytes of the file:
      //raf.skipBytes(nbytes);
      // or send file pointer to end of file
      raf.seek(raf.length());
      // Subsequent write() operations will be appended to file
      raf.writeUTF("\n new string appended to file");
      raf.writeBytes("\n yet another text line appended");
      raf.close();
    } catch (Exception e) { e.prinStackTrace(); }
```

Random Access Files

- The RandomAccessFile class works both for text and binary files but does not inherit InputStream nor OutputStream, therefore, we cannot apply the previously presented stream-oriented filters/wrappers
- However, the RandomAccessFile class implements the DataInput & DataOutput interfaces, hence, it can be used with some stream filters (e.g., DataInputStream, DataOutputStream) and also with specific random-access filters/wrappers
- Developers may provide specific filter/wapper classes for handling particular binary/object files characteristics (e.g., perform checksum for input/output error detection)
- However, each input filter must know exactly what and how the output filter works, i.e., the filters must have matching operations (e.g., read methods must be coordinated with the write methods)

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Objects to/from Byte Arrays

Sometime we may need to convert objects to byte arrays and vice-versa – we may do so via Byte Array Streams:

```
// CONVERT ANY object INTO A byte array
Client c = new Client("Salomé", "Rua de cima");
ByteArrayOutputStream baos = new ByteArrayOutputStream();
ObjectOutputStream oos = new ObjectOutputStream(baos);
oos.writeObject(c);
oos.flush();
byte[] bytearray = baos.toByteArray();

// THEN WE MAY CONVERT the byte array BACK TO AN object
ByteArrayInputStream bais = new ByteArrayInputStream(bytearray);
ObjectInputStream ois = new ObjectInputStream(bais);
Client newc = (Client)ois.readObject(); // Do not forget CAST
ois.close();
```

Exercise - ConvertByteArray

```
/** ConvertByteArray: implements generic byte array conversions methods */
public class ConvertByteArray {
    /** toByteArray(): converts any object into a byte array */
    public static byte[] toByteArray(Object obj) throws IOException {
      byte[] ba = null;
      ByteArrayOutputStream baos = new ByteArrayOutputStream();
      ObjectOutputStream oos = new ObjectOutputStream(baos);
      oos.writeObject(obj);
      oos.flush();
      ba = baos.toByteArray();
      oos.close();
      return ba;
    /** fromByteArray(): converts a byte array back to an object */
    public static Object fromByteArray(byte[] ba) throws IOException,
        ClassNotFoundException {
      Object obj = null;
      ByteArrayInputStream bais = new ByteArrayInputStream(ba);
      ObjectInputStream ois = new ObjectInputStream(bais);
      obj = ois.readObject();
      ois.close();
      return obj;
```

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Some useful java.io classes

StreamTokenizer:

breaks the contents of a stream into tokens - smallest unit recognized by a text-parsing algorithm (e.g., words, symbols)

Can be used to parse any text file, e.g., parse a source file into variable names, operators; or parse an HTML file into HTML tags

FilenameFilter:

used by the list method (in the File class) to determine which files in a directory to list

Can be used to implement simple regular expression style file search patterns, such as foo*

Some useful java.util.zip classes

- CheckedInputStream & CheckedOutputStream: input and output stream pair that maintains a checksum as the data is being read/written
- DeflaterOutputStreamand & InflaterInputStream: compress or uncompress data as it is being read/written
- GZIPInputStream & GZIPOutputStream:
 reads and writes compressed data in the GZIP format
- ZipInputStream & ZipOutputStream: reads and writes compressed data in the ZIP format

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Example: Produt (1/2)

```
import java.io.*;

public class Product implements Serializable {
    int productCode;
    String productName;
    transient Thread t = new Thread();

    public Product(int code, String name) {
        this.productCode = code;
        this.productName = name;
    }

    public void saveToFile(String filename) { // See next slide
    }

    public static void loadFromFile(String filename) { // See next slide
    }

    public String toString() {
        return "Product@[" + productCode + ", " + productName + "]";
    }
}
```

Example: Produt (2/2)

```
public class Product implements Serializable {
    // Previous code here...
    public void saveToFile(String filename) {
        try {
            File f = new File("Product.bin");
            FileOutputStream fos = new FileOutputStream(f);
            ObjectOutputStream oos = new ObjectOutputStream(fos);
            oos.writeObject(this);
            oos.flush();
           oos.close();
        } catch (Exception e) { e.printStackTrace();}
    public static void loadFromFile(String filename) {
        try {
            File f = new File("Product.bin");
            FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream(f);
            ObjectInputStream ois = new ObjectInputStream(fis);
            Product p = (Product)ois.readObject();
            ois.close();
            System.out.println(p.toString());
        } catch (Exception e) { e.printStackTrace();}
```

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Exercise – bank package

- Go back to the bank package and make the Client and Account classes Serializable
- Implement the following methods in the Client class:

```
//Saves the client object to a given binary file
public void toObjectFile(String filename):
```

- //Creates a client object from a given binary file public static Client fromObjectFile(String filename):
- Afterwards, use the main method to create several clients associated with several accounts; then save the clients to some file and then read them back and print their information

Exercise: DatabaseApp

```
import java.io.*;

public class ProductDataBaseApp {
   public static void main(String args[]) {
        try {
            // Stores & retrieves Product objects using Random Access switch (option) {
            case 1 : // Append a new product
            case 2 : // Display a given product
            case 3 : // Update a given product
        }
        } catch (IOException ioe) {
            System.out.println("ProductDataBaseApp - main(): "+ioe);
        }
    }
}
```