

# CMT205 Object-Oriented Development with Java

Week 1

Module Information

Java Basics

Object-Oriented Concepts

Introduction to Eclipse

Simple Graphics using JavaFX

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# Module Syllabus

Week	Content
Week 1	Module Information, Java Basics, Object-Oriented Concepts, Introduction to Eclipse, JavaFX Simple Graphics
Week 2	Arithmetic, Decision, Loop Control, Keyboard Input, Command Line Input, Character
Week 3	Methods, Arrays, Exceptions
Week 4	Text and Binary Files, Packages, Inheritance
Week 5	JavaFX GUI
Week 6	JavaFX GUI
Week 7	Eclipse Features, Mathematical Methods, String Manipulation, Generics and Collections, Sorting, Class Design
Week 8	Introduction to Networking, UDP Applications, TCP Applications
Week 9	Multithreading
Week 10	Remote Method Invocation, Writing Elegant Code
Week 11	Code reuse

# Module Delivery

- A very practical module
- 4 hour sessions every Thursday.
- For Weeks 1-7 and 11
  - 3 hours of lectures T/0.31 (9am-12pm)
  - 1 hour of lab C/2.08 (12-1pm)
- For Weeks 8-10
  - 2 hours of lectures T/0.31 (9-11am)
  - 2 hours of lab C/2.08 (11am-1pm)
- Material appears in either the lectures or labs is examinable

# Assessment

- Coursework     30%
  - Practical Java programming based coursework with GUI and problem solving elements
  - Hand out: Week 5
  - Hand in: Week 10
  - Online submission on learning central (detail to follow)
- Exam     70%
  - 2 Hours
  - Exam Period

# Reference Books

- Computing Concepts with Java Essentials, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed., C. Horstmann, John Wiley & Sons Inc., ISBN 0-471-46900-9.
- Big Java, C. Horstmann, John Wiley & Sons Inc, ISBN 9780470553091.
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- Java in Two Semesters. Q. Charatan, A. Kans, McGraw-Hill, ISBN 0077122674
- The Object Primer, Ambler, S., CUP, 2004
- M. Fowler, UML Distilled 3rd ed., Addison-Wesley Professional, 2004
- D Skrien, Object-Oriented Design Using Java, McGraw-Hill, 2009.
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- **Java Basics, Object Oriented Concepts**
- Introduction to Eclipse
- JavaFX Simple Graphics

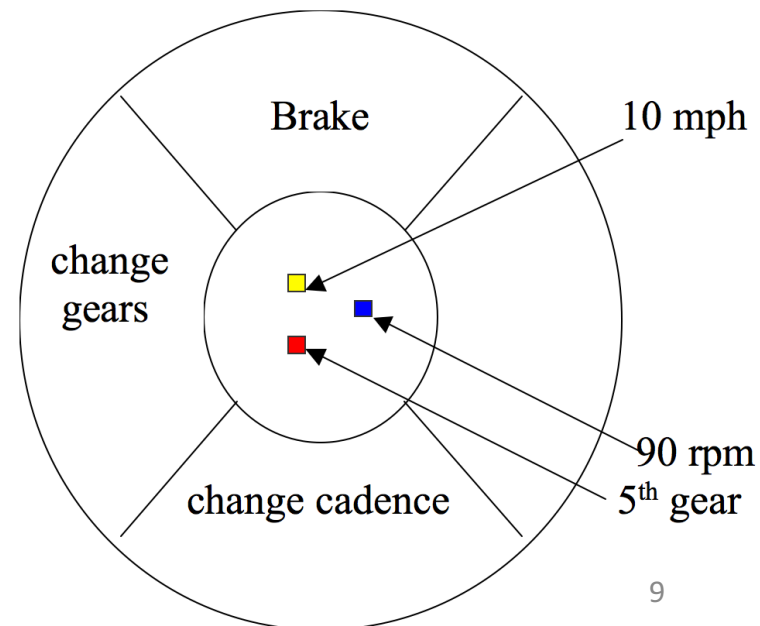
# Introduction to Objects

- All real world **objects**, such as a **bicycle**, have a **state** and a **behaviour**.
- A **bicycle's state** includes **current gear**, **current pedal cadence (i.e. speed of rotation)** and **number of gears**.
- Its **behaviour** includes **changing cadence**, **changing gears** and **braking**.
- Software **objects** also have **state** (using **variables**) and **behaviour** (using **methods**).
- *An object is a software bundle containing variables and related methods.*



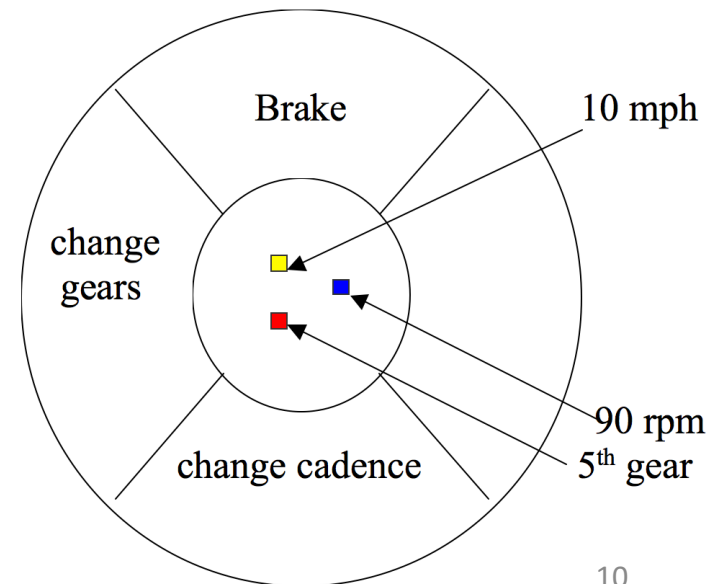
# Introduction to Objects (cont.)

- Everything that the software **object** knows (**state**) and can do (**behaviour**) is expressed by the **variables** and **methods** within that **object**.
- Example: a software **object** that modelled the real world **bicycle object**.



# Introduction to Objects (cont.)

- The object's variables make up the centre, or nucleus, of the object.
- Methods surround and hide the object's nucleus from other objects in the program.
- **Encapsulation:** packaging an object's variables within the protective custody of its methods.



# Introduction to Objects (cont.)

- Encapsulation benefits:
  - **Modularity**: the source code for an object can be written and maintained independently of the source code for other objects.
  - **Information hiding**: the object provides a **public** interface that other objects can use to communicate with it. The object can maintain **private** information and methods that can be changed at any time without affecting the other objects that depend on it.

# Introduction to Classes

- You often have many **objects** of the same kind (e.g. bicycles).
- Using **object-oriented** terminology, your **bicycle object** is an **instance** of the **class** of objects known as **bicycles**.
- **Bicycles** have some **state** and **behaviour** in common.
- **Each bicycle's state** is independent of and can be different from that of other bicycles.

# Introduction to Classes (cont.)

- Manufacturers take advantage of the fact that bicycles share characteristics by building many bicycles from the same **blueprint**.
- It would be very inefficient to produce a new **blueprint** for every individual bicycle manufactured.
- In **object-oriented** software, it is also possible to have many **objects** of the same kind that share characteristics such as **student records**.
- *A **class** is a **blueprint**, or **prototype**, that defines the **variables** and the **methods** common to all **objects** of a certain kind.*

# Introduction to Classes (cont.)

- Instance Variables
  - The **class** for a **bicycle** would declare the **instance variables** necessary to contain the **current gear** and the **current cadence** for each **bicycle object**.
  - The **class** would also declare and provide implementations for the **instance methods** that allow the rider to **change gears, brake** and **change pedalling cadence**.
  - After you have created the **bicycle class**, you can create any number of **bicycle objects** from the **class**. When you create an **instance** of the **class**, the system allocates enough memory for the object and all its instance variables.
  - Each **instance** gets its own copy of all the **instance variables** defined in the **class**.

# Introduction to Classes (cont.)

- Class Variables
  - A **class variable** contains information that is shared by **all instances** of the **class**.
  - If all **bicycles** had the **same number of gears**, it would be inefficient to define an **instance variable** to hold the **number of gears** as each **instance** would have its own copy of the variable but the value would be the same for every instance.
  - If the **number of gears** is defined as a **class variable**, all **instances** share this variable. If one object changes the variable, it changes for all other objects of that type.

# Procedural and Object-Oriented Programming

- Programs consist of **modules** which are parts that can be **designed**, **coded** and **tested** separately and then assembled to form an entire program.
- In a **procedural language**, such as **C** or **Pascal**, the **modules** are procedures.
- A **procedure** is a sequence of **imperative** statements such as **assignment statements**, **loops** and **subprocedure** invocations.
- **Procedural languages** are sometimes called **imperative languages**.



## Procedural and Object-Oriented Programming (cont.)

- In a language such as **C**, all **procedures** are **functions** which map **arguments** to a **return value**. For example:

```
int find_max( int num1, int num2 )
{
    if ( num1 > num2 )
        return num1;
    else
        return num2;
}
```

# Procedural and Object-Oriented Programming (cont.)

- **Procedural programming** is associated with a design technique known as **top-down** design
  - A problem is associated with a **procedure**.
  - If the problem is a **simple** problem, it can be solved by writing a single **C** procedure named **main**.
  - If more complicated, the problem is **decomposed** into **subproblems** where each **subproblem** is assigned to a **procedure**, which is a **function** that **main** invokes.
- The main drawback of **procedural programming** is **software maintenance**
  - A **change** in a procedure cascades or ripples down to its subprocedures and to their subprocedures and so on until the change impacts on much of the decomposition hierarchy.

## Procedural and Object-Oriented Programming (cont.)

- **Object-oriented programming (OOP)**
  - an alternative to **procedural programming**.
  - the central **modules** are **classes** rather than **procedures**.
- **Object-oriented design**
  - the design technique associated with OOP
  - a **class** is a collection of **objects**
  - e.g. the class ***Employee*** is a collection of objects which are the employees of a company

## Procedural and Object-Oriented Programming (cont.)

- In OOP, a **class** is a **data type** and **objects** are **instances** of such a **type**.
- Java declaration examples:

```
int num;  
String greeting;  
String greeting = "hello world!";
```
- The programmer uses **classes** that the programming language provides in its standard libraries ( e.g. the **String** class ) and builds other **classes** suited to the application.
- An organisation might have a user-defined class **Employee** to represent an employee.

# Variables and Methods

- **Instances** of a **class** share certain **properties** or **features**.
- At the programming level, **variables** contained or **encapsulated** in a **class** are used to represent these **properties** or **features**.
- To use an object, it needs to be first **constructed**.
- **Object-oriented languages** have special functions known as **constructors** for this purpose.

# Variables and Methods (cont.)

- In **Java**,

`new Employee()`

would construct an **Employee object**.

- The **constructor** in this case is **Employee()**
- The **new** is an operator that allocates the storage for the appropriate **object**
- A **class** has **operations** that are distinctive to it.
- The **operations** associated with **classes** are represented by procedures **encapsulated** within the **class**.
- **Methods** are the **functions** that represent the **operations** appropriate to a particular **class**.

# Encapsulation

- In **procedural programming**, the central **modules** are **procedures** and **data** are manipulated by **procedures**
  - Data manipulation is by passing arguments to and returning a value from a **function**
- In **object-oriented programming**, the central **modules** are **classes**.
  - **Data** and the **procedures** to manipulate the data can be **encapsulated** or contained within a **class**
  - The **encapsulated** data and procedures are the **class's members**.

# Class and Instance Members

- Class members vs. instance members
- In **Java**, a member marked as **static** is associated with the **class** itself
- A **static** member is a **class** member rather than an **instance** member
- Any member not marked as **static** is an **instance** member i.e. a member associated with a particular **object**
- A class's **constructors** are always **instance** members i.e. **nonstatic** members
- In general, classes tend to have more **instance (nonstatic)** members than **class (static)** members, but some classes, such as the **Math** class, only have **static** members



# Difference between English and Java

- In ***English***, all ***sentences*** are terminated by a ***period*** (.) and a ***paragraph*** comprises ***several sentences***.
- In ***Java***, all ***statements*** are terminated by a ***semicolon*** (;) and a ***block*** comprises ***several statements***.

# Variable Names

- The names of variables used in **Java** may contain letters, digits, the dollar sign (\$) and the underscore character (\_) but cannot start with a digit.
- You cannot use *reserved words* such as **double** or **return** as variable names.
- Traditional **Java** practice is to use lower case letters for variable names and upper case letters for symbolic constants.

# Variable Sizes

- **Java** has fixed sizes for primitive types (unlike **C/C++**)

Variable type name	Variable type	Size in bytes	Size in bits
byte	Integer	1	8
short	Integer	2	16
int	Integer	4	32
long	Integer	8	64
float	Real number	4	32
double	Real number	8	64

# Compilation and Execution

- Unlike Python, but like C/C++, Java programs need to be **compiled** before they can be run.
- The compiler translates the **Java source code** into **bytecode**, consisting of
  - virtual machine instructions
  - information on how to load the program into memory prior to execution
- The **bytecode** of the program **Hello.java** is stored in a file **Hello.class**.

# Compilation and Execution (cont.)

- A **Java *interpreter*** loads the bytecode of your program, starts the program and loads the necessary ***library bytecode files*** as they are required.
- To ***compile*** and ***run*** the **Hello** program, you would type:  

```
javac Hello.java  
java Hello
```

# An Example Program

## Contents of Hello.java

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

# An Example Program (cont.)

## Compilation of Hello.java

```
javac Hello.java
```

## Execution of Hello.class

```
java Hello
```

## Result

```
Hello World
```

# An Example Program (cont.)

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

- The class **Hello** must be written to a file **Hello.java**
- The keyword **public** denotes that the **class** is useable by the 'public'
- Every **Java** application must have a **main** method but can contain other methods
- The parameter, **String[ ] args**, is required by the **main** method to process command line arguments
- The keyword **static** is mandatory for the **main** method and indicates that the **main** method does not change objects of the class **Hello** and Java does not need to create an instance of this class to call this method



# Further Discussion of Hello.Java

- An ***object*** is an entity that you can manipulate in your program by calling ***methods***.
- **System.out** was an ***object*** and it was manipulated by calling the **println *method***.
- When the **println *method*** is called, activities occur inside the **System.out *object*** which cause text to appear on the terminal screen.
- An ***object*** can be considered as a ‘**black box**’ with a public ***interface***, the ***methods*** you can call, and a hidden ***implementation***.

# Using Comments

- Comments are ignored by the compiler but improve the readability of the program
- It is good practice to write comments for classes, methods etc. and for key blocks of code
- Java comments
  - `// text`: the compiler ignores everything from `//` to the end of the line
  - `/* text */`: the compiler ignores everything from `/*` to `*/`
  - A special case: `/** text */`, just like `/* text */` for the compiler but `javadoc` use this to generate documentation (more detail later)

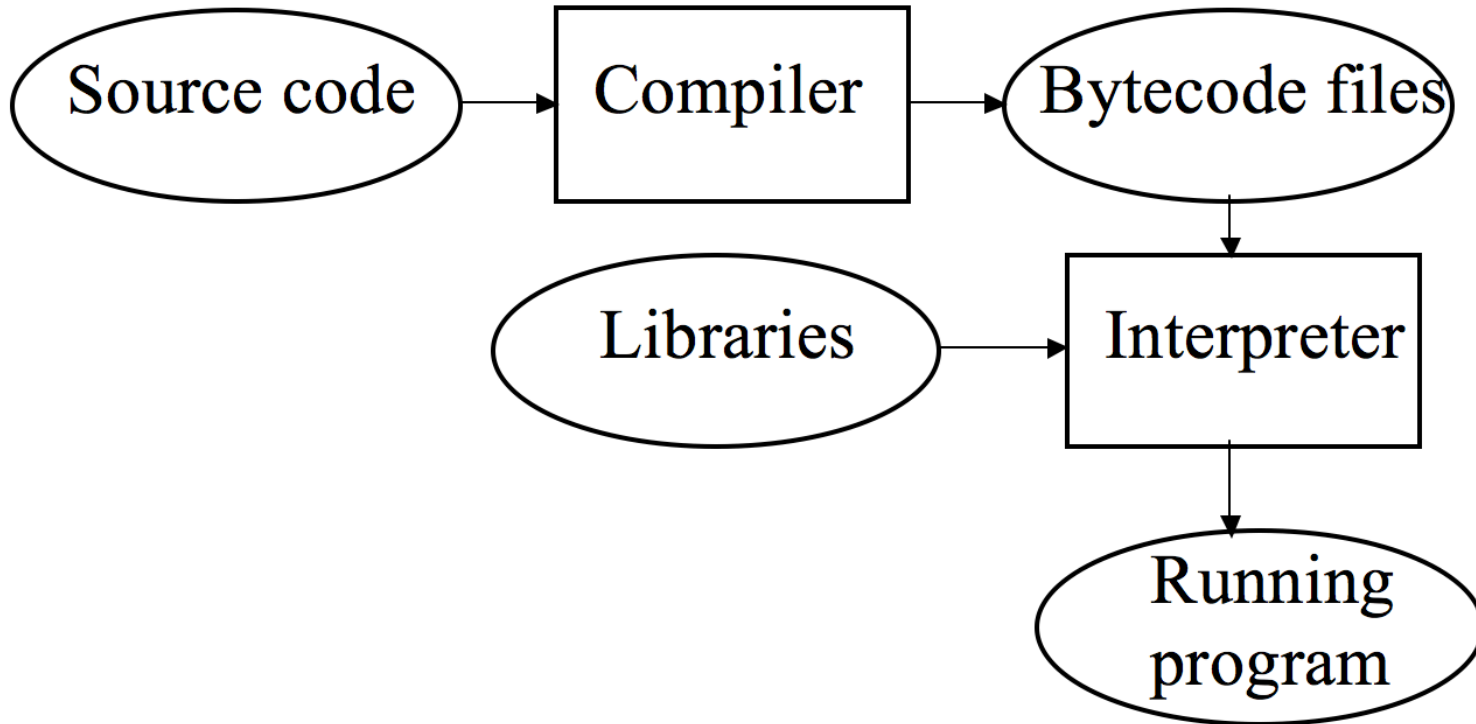
# A better HelloWorld.java

```
/**
 * The HelloWorld class implements an application that
 * simply displays "Hello World!" to the standard output.
 */
class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello World!"); //Display the string.
    }
}
```

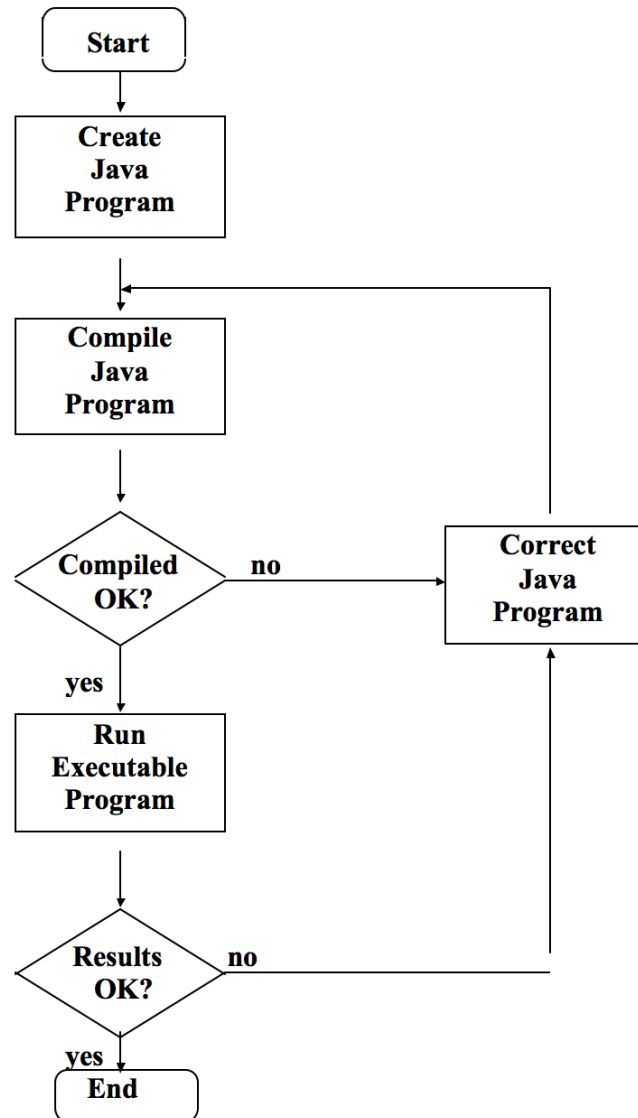
## **Result:**

Hello World!

# Running a Java Program



# Program Develop Cycle



# Class Implementation

- The following steps are used to implement a class
  - Discover the behaviour
  - Define the methods
  - Determine the instance variables for representing the state of an object of the class
  - Implement the methods

# Class Definition

- A ***class*** contains
  - one or more ***methods***
  - zero or more ***constructors***
  - zero or more ***instance*** variables
- The ***class*** of an application ***must*** contain the ***main*** method, which is a ***special*** method.
- The ***instance*** variables of a ***class*** reflect the ***state*** of an ***object*** of that ***class***. The ***methods*** of a ***class*** are used to change the ***state*** of an ***object*** of that ***class***.

# Class Definition (cont.)

```
public class ClassName
{
    // constructors
    accessSpecifier ClassName ( parameterType parameterName, . . . )
    {
        constructor implementation
    }
    . . .
    // methods
    accessSpecifier returnType methodName ( parameterType parameterName, . . . )
    {
        method implementation
    }
    . . .
    // instance variables
    accessSpecifier instanceVarType instanceVarName;
    . . .
}
```



# Constructing an Object

- The **behaviour** of a **class** is the **complete list of methods** that you can apply to **objects** of the given **class**.
- To **construct** an **object** of the given **class** you first have to declare an **object variable**.
- An **object variable**, *variableName*, may be created for **class**, *ClassName* as:

```
ClassName variableName;
```

- The **object variable** *variableName* above does not refer to an **object** (a **null** reference) yet.

# Constructing an Object (cont.)

- The object variable is initialised (assuming there are no **construction parameters**):

```
variableName = new ClassName( );
```

- To declare and ***initialise*** the ***object variable*** in a single statement:

```
ClassName objectName = new ClassName( );
```

# Methods

- A **method** header consists of the following parts:
  - An **access specifier** ( such as **public** )
  - The **return type** of the method ( such as **double** )
  - The **name** of the method
  - A list of the **parameters** of the method

```
public class ClassName
{
    . . .
    accessSpecifier returnType methodName
        ( parameterType parameterName, . . . )
    {
        method implementation
    }
    . . .
}
```

# Methods (cont.)

- When a ***method*** is declared as **public**, it can be accessed by the ***methods*** of all classes.
- If a ***method*** does not return a value, a ***return type*** of **void** is used.
- The ***parameters*** are the inputs to the ***method***.
- We discuss briefly here, more details of methods come later.

# Instance Variables

- An ***instance variable*** is a variable that is present in every ***object*** of a ***class***.
- The current ***state*** of an ***object*** is stored in one or more ***instance variables***.
- An ***instance variable*** declaration consists of the following parts:
  - An ***access specifier*** (such as ***private***)
  - The ***type*** of the variable (such as ***double***)
  - The ***name*** of the variable

```
public class ClassName
{
    . . .
    accessSpecifier  type  variableName;
    . . .
}
```

# Instance Variables (cont.)

```
public class ClassName
{
    . . .
    accessSpecifier type variableName;
    . . .
}
```

- ***Instance variables*** are declared with the ***access specifier private*** so that they can only be accessed by the ***methods*** of the ***same class***
- If the ***instance variables*** are declared ***private***, then all data access must occur through the ***public methods***.
- The ***instance variables*** of an object are effectively hidden from the programmer who uses the ***class***.
- The process of hiding data is called ***encapsulation***.

# Constructors

- The ***constructor*** initializes the ***instance variables*** of an ***object***. The format of a ***constructor*** is:

```
public class ClassName
{
    . . .
    accessSpecifier ClassName
        ( parameterType parameterName, . . . )
    {
        constructor implementation
    }
    . . .
}
```

# Constructors (cont.)

- **Constructors** always have the same name as their **class**.
- **Constructors** are generally declared as **public** to enable any code in a program to **construct** new **objects** of the **class**.
- **Constructors** do not have **return types** and are always invoked using the **new** operator.
- The **new** operator allocates memory for the **object**, and the **constructor** initialises it.
- The value returned by the **new** operator is a **reference** to the newly allocated and constructed **object**.



# Constructors (cont.)

- Normally, the ***object*** reference is stored in an ***object*** variable.
- A ***default constructor*** is a ***constructor*** which takes ***no parameters***.
- A ***class*** may have more than one ***constructor***.
- These ***constructors*** will have the same ***name*** as that of the ***class*** but ***different parameters***.
- Multiple ***methods*** (or ***constructors***) with the same ***name*** are said to be ***overloaded***.
- When and only when no user-defined ***constructors*** are given, a default constructor is automatically provided which initialises the member variables to standard default values.

# A Simple BankAccount Example

- Contents of **BankAccount.java**

```
public class BankAccount
{
    // default constructor
    public BankAccount()
    {
        balance = 0;
    }
    // second constructor
    public BankAccount(double initialBalance)
    {
        balance = initialBalance;
    }
    // method for depositing money
    public void deposit(double amount)
    {
        balance = balance + amount;
    }
}
```

# A Simple BankAccount Example (cont.)

```
// method for withdrawing money
public void withdraw(double amount)
{
    balance = balance - amount;
}
// method for getting a balance
public double getBalance()
{
    return balance;
}
// instance variable
private double balance;
}
```

# A Simple BankAccount Example (cont.)

- Contents of BankAccountTest.java

```
public class BankAccountTest
{
    public static void main( String[] args )
    {
        // Open a new bank account with 10000 pounds
        BankAccount account = new BankAccount( 10000 );
        // Display balance of account
        System.out.println( "Balance of account is "
            + (int) account.getBalance() );
        // Withdraw 3500 pounds
        account.withdraw( 3500 );
        // Display balance of account
        System.out.println( "Balance of account is "
            + (int) account.getBalance() );
        // Deposit 1500 pounds
        account.deposit( 1500 );
        // Display balance of account
        System.out.println( "Balance of account is "
            + (int) account.getBalance() );
    }
}
```

# A Simple BankAccount Example (cont.)

- **Result**
- `java BankAccountTest`

`Balance of account is 10000`

`Balance of account is 6500`

`Balance of account is 8000`

# Method Parameters

- Explicit parameters vs. the implicit parameter
  - a ***parameter*** in the ***parameter list*** of a ***method*** is known as an ***explicit parameter***
  - the reference to an ***object*** is not ***explicit*** in the ***method*** definition, and is called the ***implicit parameter*** of the ***method***
  - the ***implicit*** parameter has the name ***this*** when referred in the method implementation
- The statement to call a method
  - `implicitParameterValue.methodName(explicitParameterValues)`
- When you refer to an ***instance variable*** in a ***method***, you automatically refer to the ***instance variable*** of the ***object*** for which the ***method*** was called

# Java Language Coding Guidelines

- Variable and method names are lowercase with occasional uppercase characters in the middle.
- Class names start with an uppercase letter.
- Constant names are uppercase with an occasional underscore.
- Leave a blank space after but not before each comma, semicolon and keyword.
- Leave a blank space before and after each operator.

# Java Language Coding Guidelines (cont.)

- Braces must line up horizontally or vertically.
- Use a constant definition instead of embedding a numeric constant in code.
- Every method, except for the **main** method and overridden library methods, must have a comment.
- At most **30** lines of code may be used per method.
- All variables which are not **final** variables must be **private**.



# Important Definitions

- **instance variable**
  - A variable that is a permanent part of a particular **object**
  - Memory space for the variable is allocated when the object is created.
- **class variable**
  - A variable associated with **all objects** of the **same class**.
  - Created when the **class** is loaded.
- **state**
  - the values stored in the **instance variables** and **class variables** of an **object** at any given time.

# Important Definitions (cont.)

- **query**
  - obtains the **current state** of an **object**.
- **command**
  - changes the **state** of an **object**.
- **class**
  - a set of **objects** having the same features and properties
  - every **object** is an **instance** of some **class**, which determines the object's features.

- Java Basics, Object Oriented Concepts
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# Introduction to Eclipse

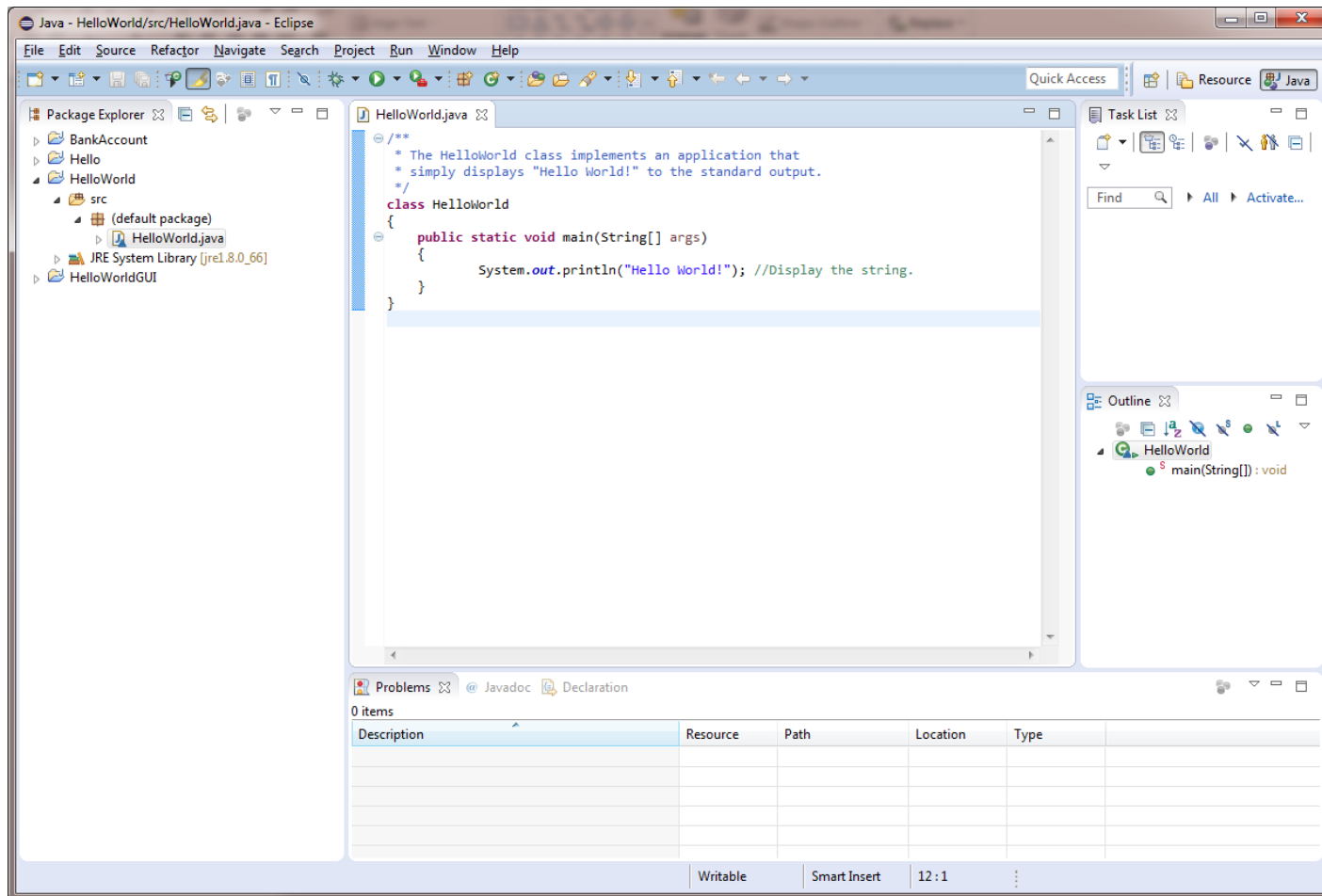
- Instead of using command line tools, Java programs can also be developed using IDE – Integrated Development Environment
- Eclipse is a free, open-source IDE for Java (and some other languages)
- It is available on Windows, Mac and Linux.
- For introductory notes, see

<https://docs.cs.cf.ac.uk/notes/eclipse-sdk-for-java/>

# Benefits of Using IDE

- Eclipse provides a variety of features to speed up the development process and fix bugs:
  - Effectively organising Java source files in a project, compiling all the modules in the project and running and debugging the program, all in an integrated environment.
  - More powerful editing support for the language, including syntax highlight, line indentation, bracket matching, live hints and code completion.
  - Powerful built-in debugging.
- We give the basic introduction now and will cover more advanced features later.

# Eclipse UI



# Eclipse UI

- A typical Eclipse UI includes
  - **The main menu and toolbar**
  - **Editor** (for code editing)
  - **Package Explorer** (listing all the packages in the current workspace)
  - **Outline** (showing the code structure and allowing easy navigation)
  - **Problems/Javadoc/Declaration/Console** (useful information)
  - **Panels for Debugging** (including those only shown when the program is being debugged)

# Workspace

- Workspace
  - A workspace is used to manage a collection of projects
  - You are asked to choose a location for the workspace when you start Eclipse for the first time
  - You can use **File → Switch Workspace** if you would like to switch to a different workspace



# Perspectives and Windows

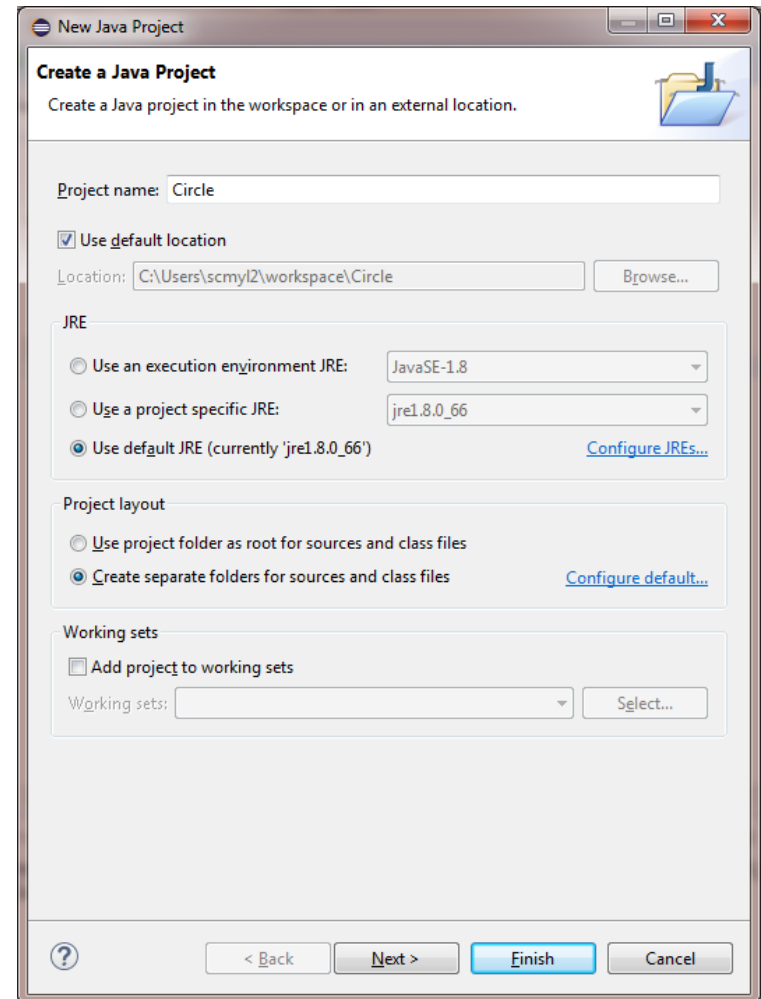
- Managing windows
  - Eclipse is an IDE for a variety of languages, Java, C++ etc.
  - You may want to show different panels when doing different tasks (e.g. typing code, debugging)
  - Perspectives: allow quick switching between different window configurations. For Java programming, choose **Window → Perspective → Open Perspective → Java** (or if **Java** is not listed, choose **Other**, then **Java**)
  - You may also use **Window** menu to open a specific window, e.g. **Window → Show View → Package Explorer** will show/switch to **Package Explorer**.

# Creating, Building and Running Projects

- Eclipse uses a project to manage a collection of source files that put together achieve some integral purposes.
- The newly created project will be added to the current workspace.
- You may also import existing projects into the workspace.

# Creating a Project

- Choose **File** → **New** → **Java Project...**
- In the **New Java Project** dialogue box
  - Enter the project name
  - Choose where the project is to be stored (you can use default location which is a subdirectory in the current workspace)
- You may click **Next** and specify further information
- Click **Finish** to create the project



# Creating a New Class

- To create a new class in the current project
  - Right click on the project name in the **Package Explorer**
  - Choose **New → Class**
  - Enter the name of the class, and specify the superclass (the default is **java.lang.Object** if the class to be created does not have a dedicated superclass)
  - Click **Finish**


# Editing the code

- After clicking on the **Finish** button and Eclipse will create the skeleton code for the class.
- Add the following code within the class

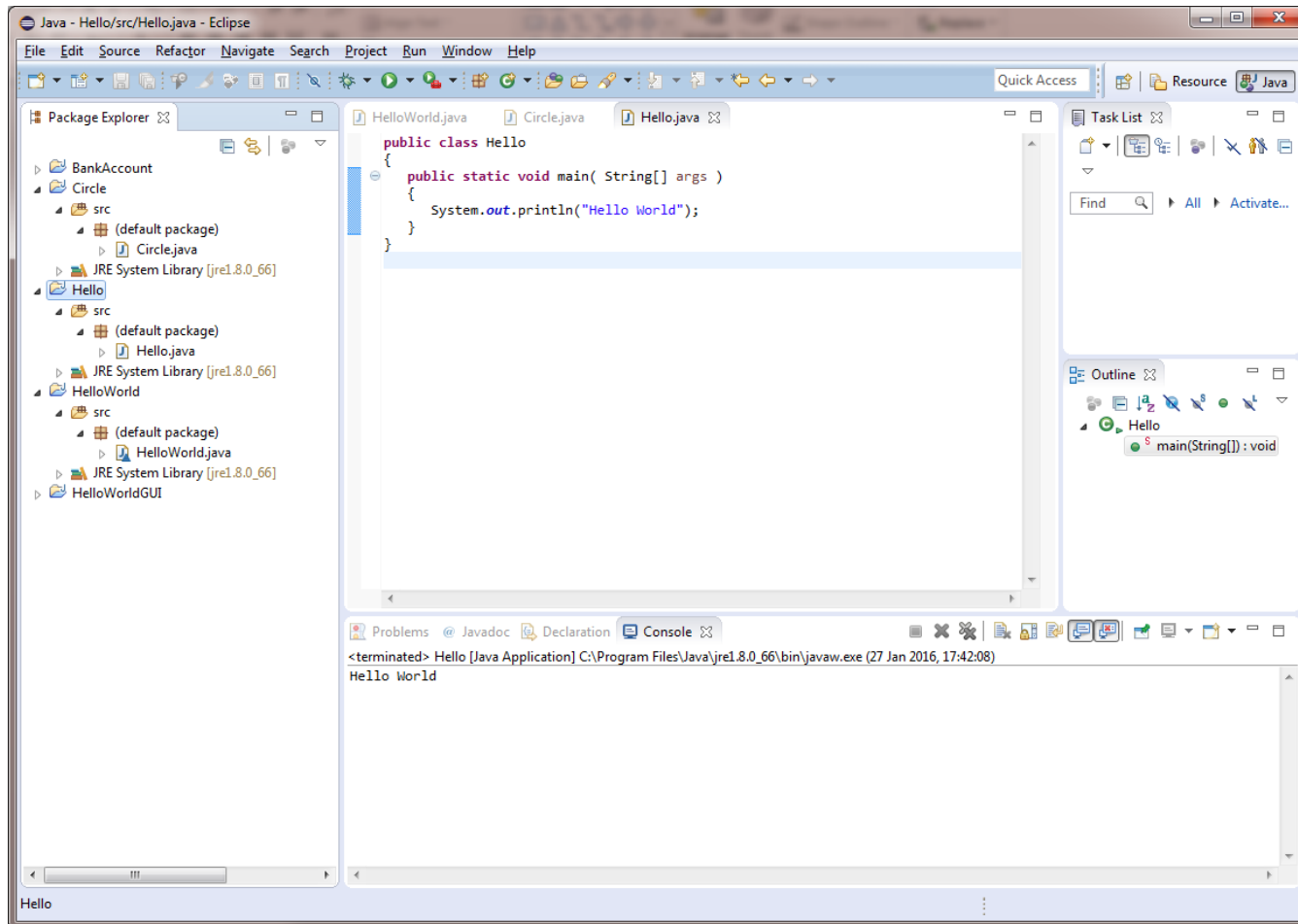
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{  
    System.out.println("Hello World");  
}
```

- When entering code, you can benefit from
  - Syntax Highlighting, indentation, code prompt/completion, bracket matching etc.
  - Java documentation in the Javadoc panel
  - Error highlighting

# Building and Running a Project

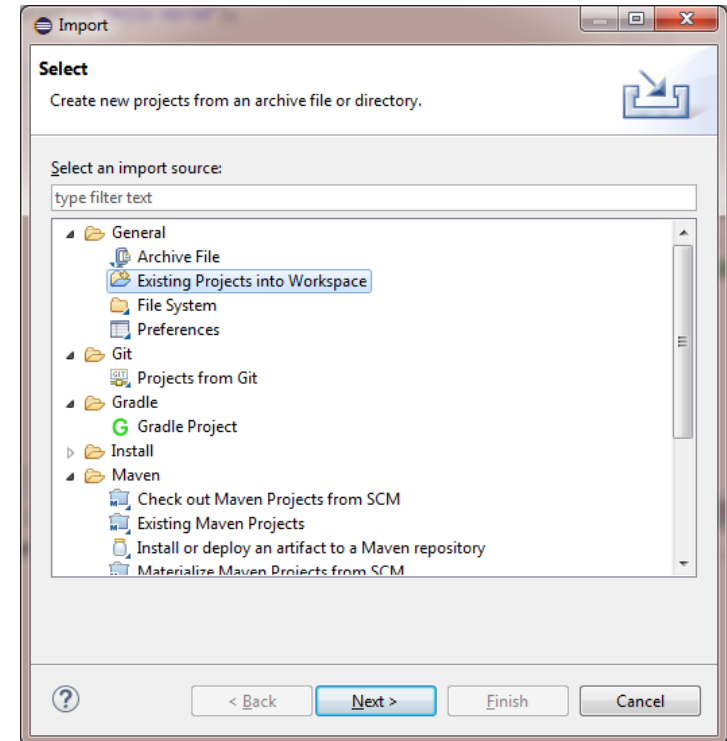
- Eclipse provide automatic compiling which means you don't need to manually compile the project before running it.
- The compilation process is still needed but will be done automatically.
- Select a project in the Package Explorer, and click the **Run As** button  on the toolbar (choose **Java Application** in the **Run As** dialogue box when the project is first run).
  - If the project compiles properly, it will run and the output will be displayed in the **Console** panel.
  - If there are errors, they will be shown in the **Problems** panel.

# Building and Running a Project (cont.)



# Importing Projects

- To import existing Eclipse projects to your current workspace
  - Choose **File → Import**
  - In the **Import** dialogue box, choose **General → Existing Projects into Workspace**
  - Click **Next**
  - In the **Import Projects** dialogue box, choose **Select root directory** and browse to the directory that contains Eclipse projects (can be at higher level)
  - Select **Copy projects into workspace**
  - Select listed projects you wish to import
  - Click **Finish**
  - The selected projects will be imported to the current workspace





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# Graphical User Interface (GUI)

- Graphical user interface (GUI) utilises windows and controls to interact with users.
- A common paradigm for the GUI is known as WIMP (Window, Icon, Menu and Pointing device).
  - often more friendly to users
  - the major choice of modern programs
  - often built with windows and various operable elements such as menus, buttons, and textboxes

# Java GUI Libraries

- Java provides three major libraries for GUI
- **Abstract Windowing Toolkit (AWT)**
  - deals with user interface elements by delegating them to the native GUI toolkit on the specific platform (e.g. Windows, Mac OS).
  - the same Java code can be run on different platforms
  - subtle differences in appearance and behaviours exist on different platforms
- **Swing**
  - built on top of AWT library
  - that **paints** user interface elements
  - ensures consistent look and feel across platforms
  - Swing applications may still use AWT features
- **JavaFX**
  - Most recent library for Java GUI, simple to use and support advanced features
  - Provided as an extension in previous Java versions, but integrated in JDK 8
  - JavaFX and Swing can be used together
- We use JavaFX for simple graphics here; detailed GUI using JavaFX will be covered later.

# Hello, World GUI Program

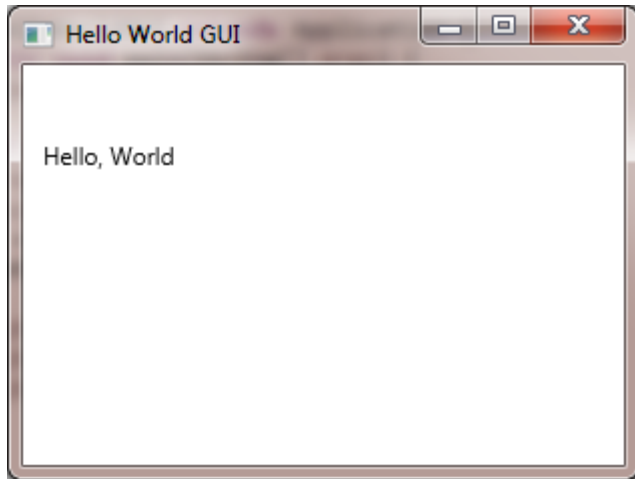
```
import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.Group;
import javafx.scene.Scene;
import javafx.scene.text.Text;

public class HelloWorldGUI extends Application {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        launch(args);
    }
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        Group root = new Group();
        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 300, 200);
        Text t = new Text(10, 50, "Hello, World");
        root.getChildren().add(t);

        primaryStage.setScene(scene);
        primaryStage.setTitle("Hello World GUI");
        primaryStage.show();
    }
}
```

# Hello, World GUI Program

- Result



# Hello, World GUI Program Explained: class and main

- JavaFX provides a blueprint for GUI applications as class **javafx.application.Application**.
- A specific JavaFX GUI application is a tailored application, thus by the concept of OOP, a descendent of **Application** class, in this case, **HelloWorldGUI** class is declared that **extends Application**.
- The entry point of a GUI program is the same as a consoled based program, i.e. the **main** method. It only needs to contain the following code to launch the application (args is the input arguments – we will cover this later):

```
launch (args) ;
```

# Implementing **start** Method

- The main task to begin building a GUI application is to implement the **start** method
  - `public void start(Stage primaryStage)`
- The input to this is a **javafx.stage.Stage** object created by JavaFX
  - **Stage** is the highest level container in JavaFX
  - With a stage, you can specify the **Scene** associated with the **Stage** by **setScene()**, where **Scene** is the container of actual GUI elements
  - You can specify the window title by using **setTitle()**
  - You can use **show()** to make the stage visible

# Scene and Nodes

- **Scene** contains all the GUI elements, which are formed in a Scene node hierarchy
  - When a **Scene** object is created, you need to specify the root node, width and height of the Scene
  - The root node can be an instance of **javafx.scene.Group**, which allows a variety of other nodes to be added (such as text, shapes etc.), thus forming a hierarchy
- To add **Text** node, we first create an instance of **javafx.scene.text.Text** object (x, y coordinates and text to display), and add it to the root group:

```
Text t = new Text(10, 50, "Hello, World");  
root.getChildren().add(t);
```



# Importing Classes

- Java organises classes in some hierarchies
  - To refer to a specific class, you can use the fully qualified name, e.g. **javafx.application.Application**
  - Or the class can be imported using

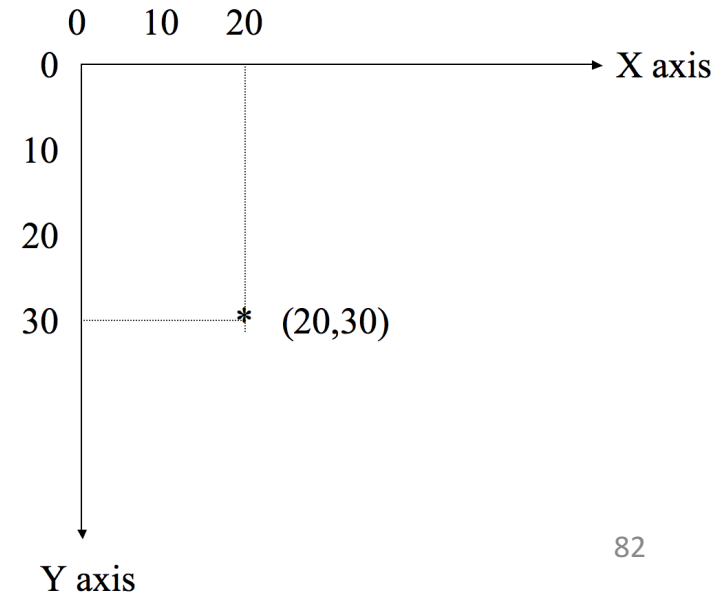
```
import javafx.application.Application;
```

and the class can then be referred to as **Application**.
  - To import a collection of classes in the same level of hierarchy, use '\*', e.g.

```
import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.*;
import javafx.scene.text.*;
```
- Eclipse IDE can suggest classes to import

# Java Coordinate System

- By default, the top left corner of the screen has coordinates (0,0).
- Coordinate units are measured in **pixels** (a display monitor's smallest unit of resolution)
- Note that certain areas of a frame are likely to be covered by system.



# Text Styles

- **Font** class (**`javafx.scene.text.Font`**) can be used to specify the font for text
  - **`Font.font()`** method returns a nearest font with specified font name, font weight (e.g. **`FontWeight.BOLD`**), font posture (e.g. **`FontPosture.ITALIC`**) and font size
  - Use **`Text.setFont`** to specify the font for a text object

# Example: Display String

```
import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.*;
import javafx.scene.text.*;

public class DisplayString extends Application {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        launch(args);
    }
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        Group root = new Group();
        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 300, 200);
        Text t = new Text(100, 50, "Graphics");
        t.setFont(Font.font("Helvetica", FontWeight.BOLD, FontPosture.ITALIC, 24));
        root.getChildren().add(t);

        primaryStage.setScene(scene);
        primaryStage.setTitle("Display String");
        primaryStage.show();
    }
}
```

# Colour

- By default, lines (or polylines) are drawn with a **black** stroke (outline), and other shapes are drawn with a **black** fill.
- To change the colour, you need to
  - create an object of type **Color** (**javafx.scene.paint.Color**)
  - use **setStroke** and **setFill** to change the colour of the outline and fill
  - This works for text, shapes etc.
- All colours in **Java** are defined in terms of the **RGB** colour model
  - specifying amounts of the primary colours **red**, **green** and **blue**
  - The amounts are given as **double** values and vary from **0.0** (primary colour not present) to **1.0** (maximum amount of primary colour present)
- To create a **Color** object using RGB information, use  
*Color.color(red, green, blue)*

# Colour (cont.)

- For example, to create a bright purple (magenta) colour:

```
Color magenta = Color.color( 1.0, 0.0, 1.0 );
```

- Many predefined colour constants for convenience, e.g.

Colour	RGB Value
<b>Color.BLACK</b>	<b>0.0, 0.0, 0.0</b>
<b>Color.BLUE</b>	<b>0.0, 0.0, 1.0</b>
<b>Color.CYAN</b>	<b>0.0, 1.0, 1.0</b>
<b>Color.GRAY</b>	<b>0.5, 0.5, 0.5</b>
<b>Color.DARKGRAY</b>	<b>0.25, 0.25, 0.25</b>
<b>Color.LIGHTGRAY</b>	<b>0.75, 0.75, 0.75</b>
<b>Color.GREEN</b>	<b>0.0, 1.0, 0.0</b>
<b>Color.MAGENTA</b>	<b>1.0, 0.0, 1.0</b>
<b>Color.ORANGE</b>	<b>1.0, 0.8, 0.0</b>
<b>Color.PINK</b>	<b>1.0, 0.7, 0.7</b>
<b>Color.RED</b>	<b>1.0, 0.0, 0.0</b>
<b>Color.WHITE</b>	<b>1.0, 1.0, 1.0</b>
<b>Color.YELLOW</b>	<b>1.0, 1.0, 0.0</b>

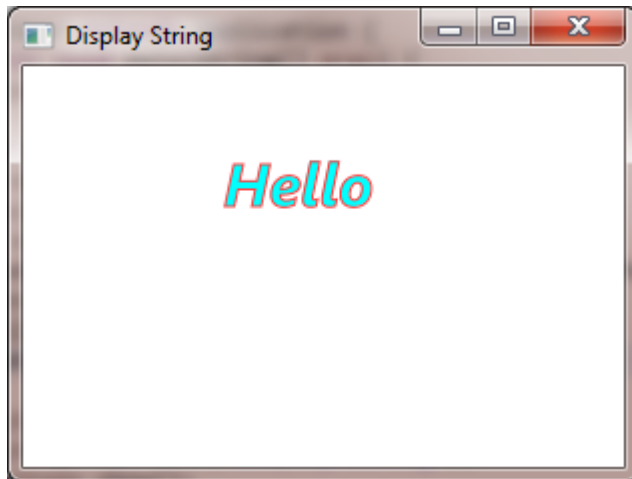
# Example: Display Coloured String

```
import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.*;
import javafx.scene.paint.Color;
import javafx.scene.text.*;
public class Colour extends Application {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        launch(args);
    }
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        Group root = new Group();
        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 300, 200);
        Text t = new Text(100, 70, "Hello");
        t.setFont(Font.font("Times", FontWeight.BOLD, FontPosture.ITALIC, 30));
        t.setStroke(Color.color(1.0, 0.25, 0.25));
        t.setFill(Color.AQUA);
        root.getChildren().add(t);

        primaryStage.setScene(scene);
        primaryStage.setTitle("Display String");
        primaryStage.show();
    }
}
```

# Example: Display Coloured String

- Result:
  - Note the different colours for the outline and interior





# Shapes

- JavaFX provides classes to represent shapes:
  - Import shape related classes using:  

```
import javafx.scene.shape.*;
```
- **Line** class: represents a line segment
  - `setStartX()`, `setStartY()`: set the x, y coordinates of the starting point
  - `setEndX()`, `setEndY()`: set the x, y coordinates of the end point
- Once created, add shape objects to the scene hierarchy (similar to text)

# Draw Line Example

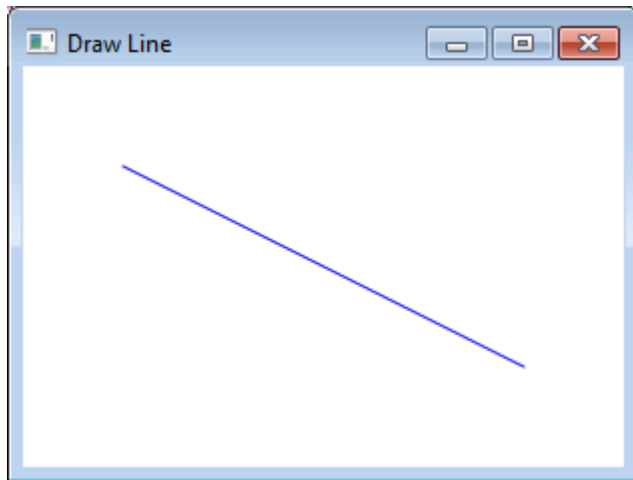
```
import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.*;
import javafx.scene.paint.*;
import javafx.scene.shape.*;

public class DrawLine extends Application {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        launch(args);
    }
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        Group root = new Group();
        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 300, 200);
        Line line = new Line();
        line.setStartX(50);
        line.setStartY(50);
        line.setEndX(250);
        line.setEndY(150);
        line.setStroke(Color.BLUE);
        root.getChildren().add(line);

        primaryStage.setScene(scene);
        primaryStage.setTitle("Draw Line");
        primaryStage.show();
    }
}
```

# Draw Line Example

- Result:
  - Note: using **setStroke()** to set the line colour
  - Lines can be further customised using **setStrokeWidth**, **setStrokeType** etc.



# Shapes (cont.)

- **Rectangle** class: represents a (normal or rounded) rectangle
  - `setX()`, `setY()`: set the x, y coordinates of the top left corner
  - `setWidth()`, `setHeight()`: set the width and height of the rectangle
  - `setArcWidth()`, `setArcHeight()`: for rounded rectangle, specify the width and height of the rounded corners

# Example: DrawRectangles

```
import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.*;
import javafx.scene.paint.*;
import javafx.scene.shape.*;

public class DrawRectangles extends Application {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        launch(args);
    }
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        Group root = new Group();
        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 400, 300);

        // Rectangle (20, 50) - (120, 250)
        Rectangle rect1 = new Rectangle();
        rect1.setX(20);
        rect1.setY(50);
        rect1.setWidth(100);
        rect1.setHeight(200);
        rect1.setStroke(Color.BLUE);
        rect1.setFill(Color.AQUA);
        root.getChildren().add(rect1);
    }
}
```

# Example: DrawRectangles (cont.)

```
// Rounded rectangle (140, 50) - (240, 250)
Rectangle rect2 = new Rectangle();
rect2.setX(140);
rect2.setY(50);
rect2.setWidth(100);
rect2.setHeight(200);
rect2.setArcWidth(20);
rect2.setArcHeight(20);
rect2.setStroke(Color.BLUE);
rect2.setFill(Color.AQUA);
root.getChildren().add(rect2);
```

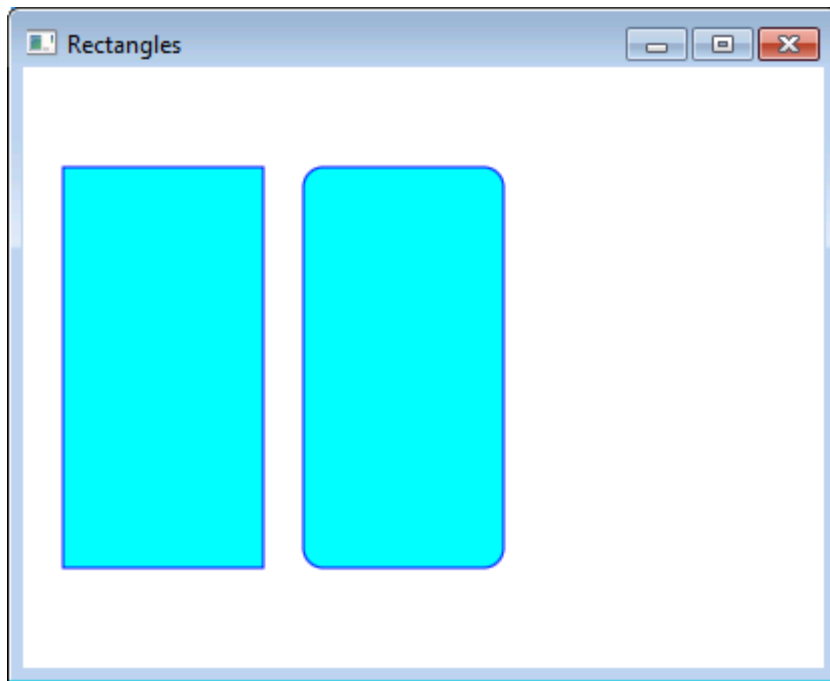
```
primaryStage.setScene(scene);
primaryStage.setTitle("Rectangles");
primaryStage.show();
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

# Example: DrawRectangles (cont.)

- Result:



# Shapes (cont.)

- **Circle** class represents a circle
  - `setCenterX()`, `setCenterY()`, `setRadius()`: set the x, y coordinates of the centre and the radius
- **Ellipse** class: represents an ellipse
  - `setCenterX()`, `setCenterY()`: set the x, y coordinates of the centre
  - `setRadiusX()`, `setRadiusY()`: set the radius along the x and y direction



# Example: DrawOvals

```
import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.*;
import javafx.scene.paint.*;
import javafx.scene.shape.*;

public class DrawOvals extends Application {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        launch(args);
    }
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        Group root = new Group();
        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 400, 300);

        // A red oval
        Ellipse oval1 = new Ellipse();
        oval1.setCenterX(200);
        oval1.setCenterY(150);
        oval1.setRadiusX(100);
        oval1.setRadiusY(50);
        oval1.setFill(Color.BLUE);
        root.getChildren().add(oval1);
    }
}
```

# Example: DrawOvals (cont.)

```
// With a white oval overlaid at the centre
Ellipse oval2 = new Ellipse();
oval2.setCenterX(200);
oval2.setCenterY(150);
oval2.setRadiusX(50);
oval2.setRadiusY(25);
oval2.setFill(Color.WHITE);
root.getChildren().add(oval2);

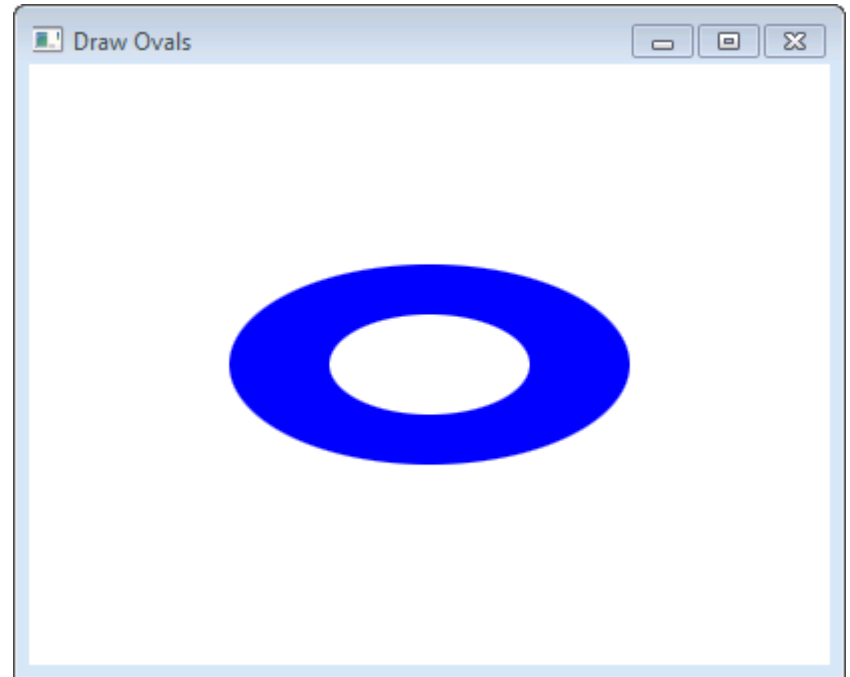
primaryStage.setScene(scene);
primaryStage.setTitle("Draw Ovals");
primaryStage.show();
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

# Example: DrawOvals (cont.)

- Result:
  - Note: By default the shapes added later cover the shapes added previously
  - Use **setOpacity()** to set the opacity of shapes



# JavaFX GUI

- JavaFX provides more graphics capabilities:
  - Shapes such as polygons, polylines, arcs, etc.
  - Colour gradients
  - Effects for blending, blurring etc.
- We will cover more detailed JavaFX GUI later
  - GUI elements: buttons etc.
  - Event handling (response to user interactions)
  - etc.