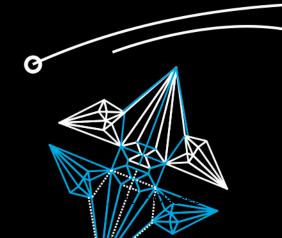
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## **Documentation**

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- External documentation
  - System Design
  - User Manual
  - API Specification

- Documentation in the code
  - Comments
  - Javadoc

#### Single line comments start with //

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    // First we print out a test message
    System.out.println("Hello this is a test");

// Then we say some more things
    System.out.println("some more things");
```

#### Multi-line comments start with /\* and end with \*/

```
/*
  * Now we need to do a number of steps.
  * First we want to read a person's name.
  * After that, we tell them the number of letters in the name.
  */
System.out.print("Your name: ");
String name = getStringFromConsole();
System.out.println("Your name " + name + " has " + name.length() + "characters");
// That's it!
}
```

Javadoc starts with /\*\* and ends with \*/

Automatically generate Javadoc documentation

Typically in front of classes and methods

```
/**
 * Compute the distance between two points in a two-dimensional space
 * The distance between two points is obtained by means of a simple application of the Pythagorean theorem.
 st We get the distances between the two x coordinates and the two y coordinates and since the coordinate
 * system is orthogonal, we can simply apply c = sgrt ( a*a + b*b ) to obtain the distance between the points.
 * Oparam firstX the x coordinate of the first point
 * Oparam firstY the y coordinate of the first point
 * @param secondX the x coordinate of the second point
* Oparam secondY the y coordinate of the second point
 * @return the distance between the two points
 */
public static double computeDistance(double firstX, double firstY, double secondX, double secondY) {
    return Math.sqrt(Math.pow(secondX-firstX, 2) + Math.pow(secondY-firstY, 2));
```

#### Tips

- Document your choices
- Keep your documentation up to date
- Always write Javadoc when creating methods and classes

### **Reading Javadoc**

Search for "Java 11 Math" in your browser:

https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/docs/api/java.base/java/lang/Math.html

Search for "Java 11 String" in your browser:

https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/docs/api/java.base/java/lang/String.html