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Java for Android Applications Development

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Objectives

✓ provide a general overview of Java





consider Android applications development requirements

✓ not a tutorial nor a complete reference, most concepts are introduced with examples

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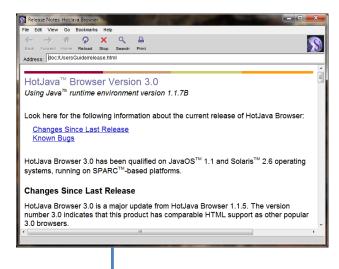
Part I: Basic concepts

A bit of history



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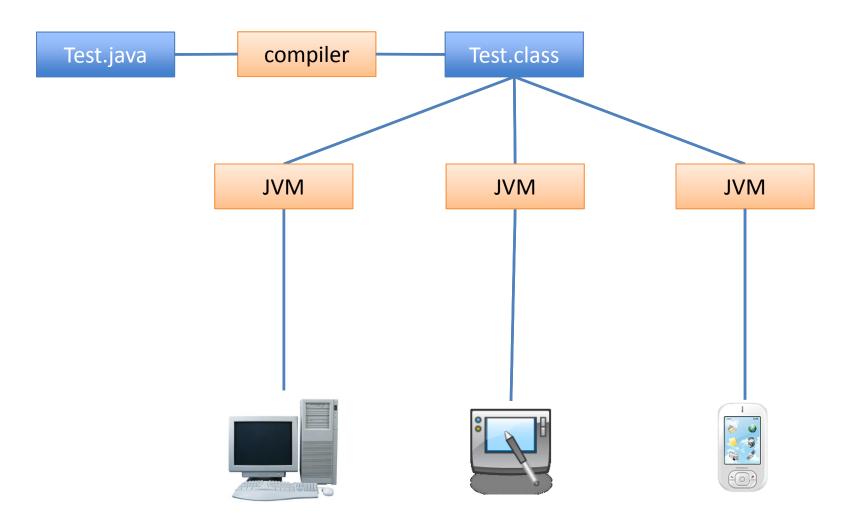


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Oak Java Java SE7

Source: Java Technology, an early history (http://java.sun.com)

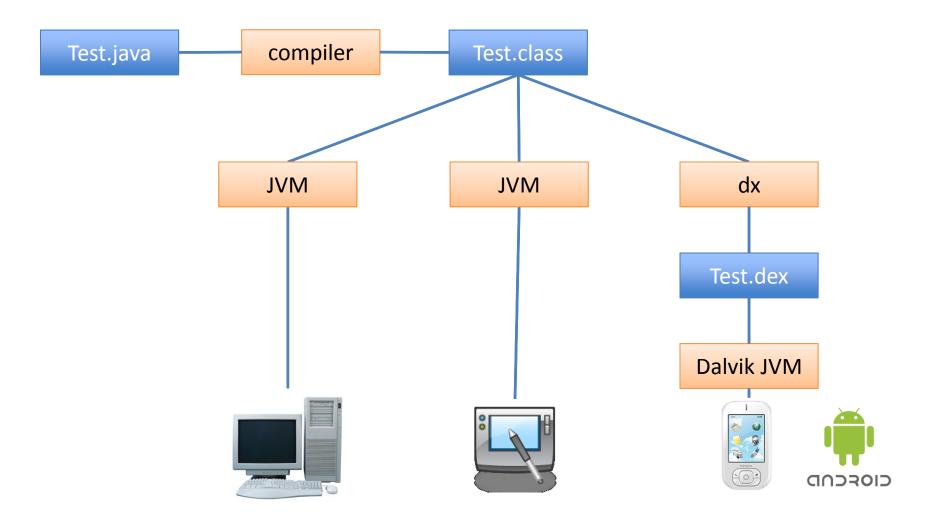
Java platform



The compiled code is independent of the architecture of the computer



Java for Android



Android uses its own virtual machine called Dalvik

A first example

```
/**

* * Hello World Application

*/

public class HelloWorld {

   public static void main(String[] args) {

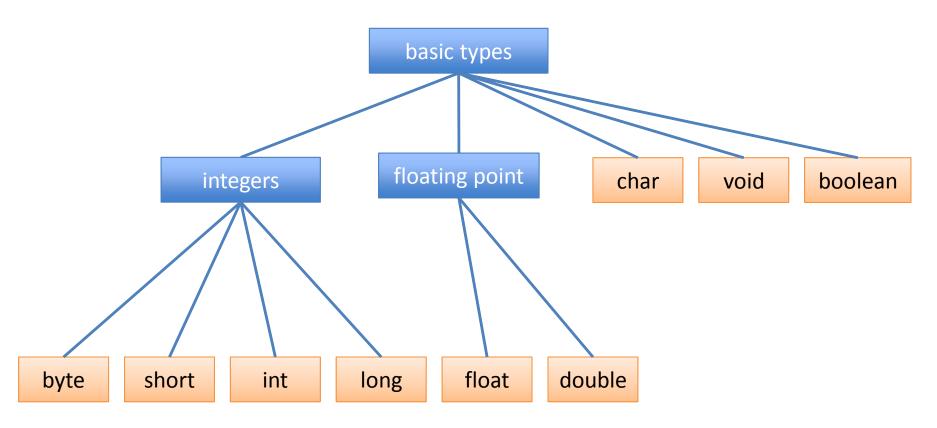
      System.out.println("Hello World!"); // display output
   }

}
```

```
$ javac HelloWorld.java
$ ls
HelloWorld.class
HelloWorld.java
$ java HelloWorld
Hello World
```

Basic types

Java provides the following basic types



Variables and constants definition

```
int x;
double d = 0.33;
float f = 0.22f;
char c = 'a';
boolean ready = true;

x = 55;
```

The variables are declared specifying its type and name, and initialized in the point of declaration, or later with the assignment expression

```
final double pi = 3.1415;
final int maxSize = 100;
final char lastLetter = 'z';
```

Constants are declared with the word final in front.

The specification of the initial value is compulsory

Strings

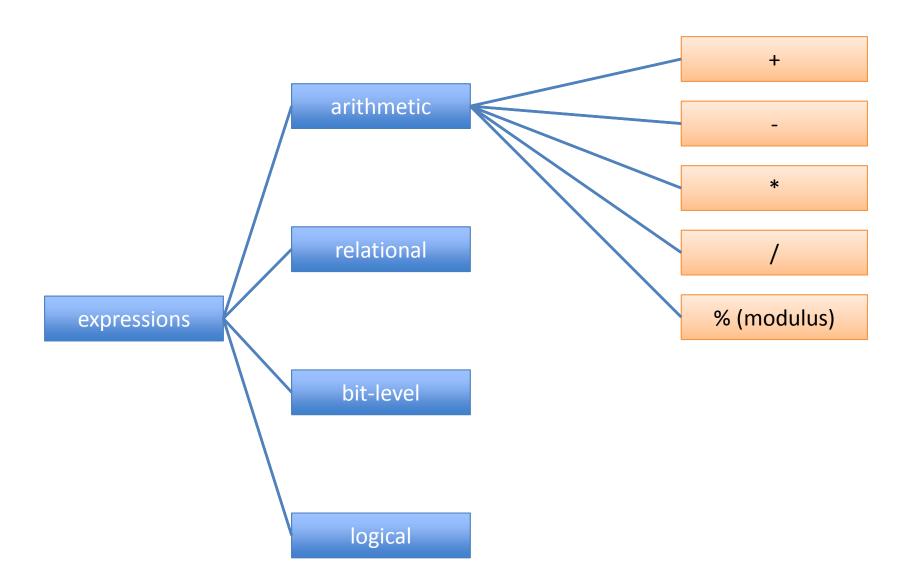
Strings are not a basic type, but defined as a class, more details later!

```
String a = "abc";
```

If the expression begins with a string and uses the + operator, then the next argument is converted to a string

```
int cost = 22;
String b = "the cost is " + cost + " euro";
```

Arithmetic expressions



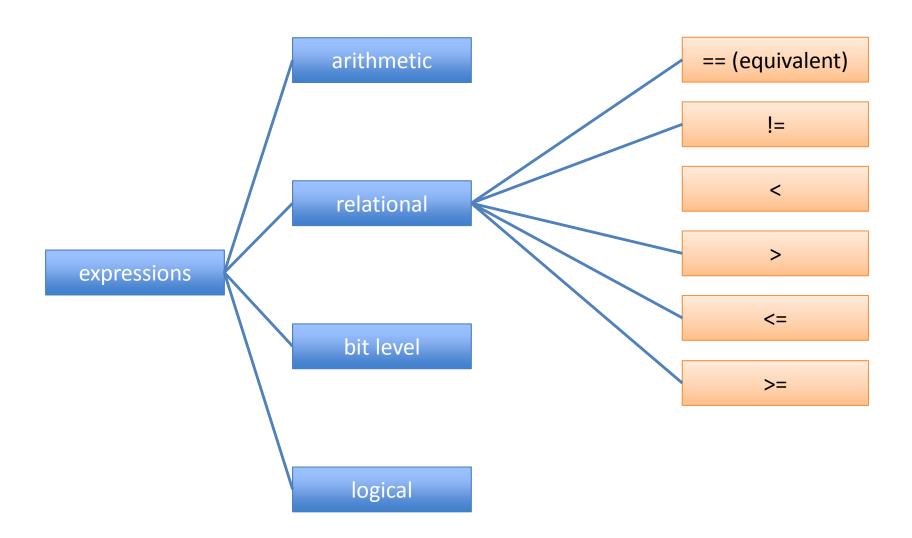
Example with arithmetic operators

```
class Arithmetic{
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  int x = 12;
                                     // x = x + 5
  x += 5;
  System.out.println(x);
  int a = 12, b = 12;
  System.out.print(a++);
                                  // printed and then incremented
  System.out.print(a);
  System.out.print(++b);
                                   // incremented and then printed
  System.out.println(b);
```

```
$ java Arithmetic
17
12 13 13 13
```



Relational expressions



Example with relational operators

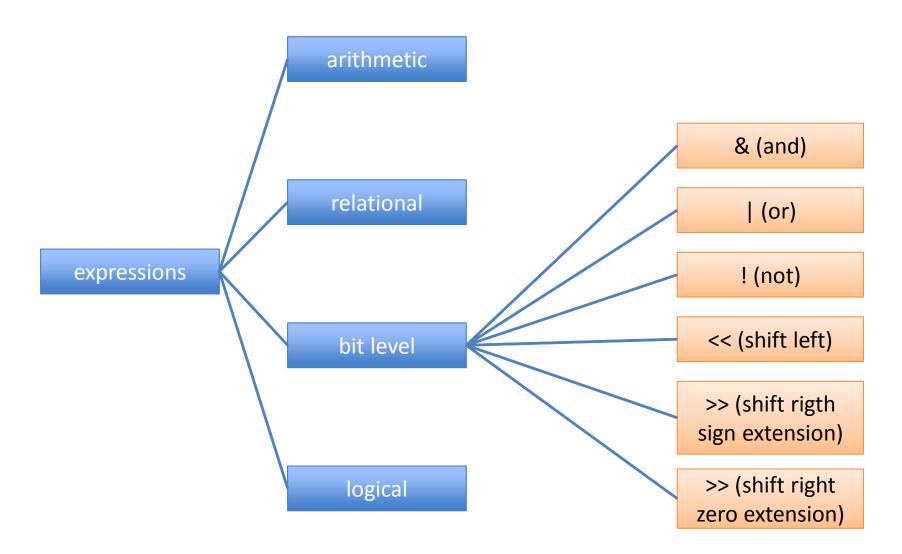
```
class Boolean {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    int x = 12,y = 33;

    System.out.println(x < y);
    System.out.println(x != y - 21);

    boolean test = x >= 10;
    System.out.println(test);
  }
}
```

```
$ java Boolean
true
false
true
```

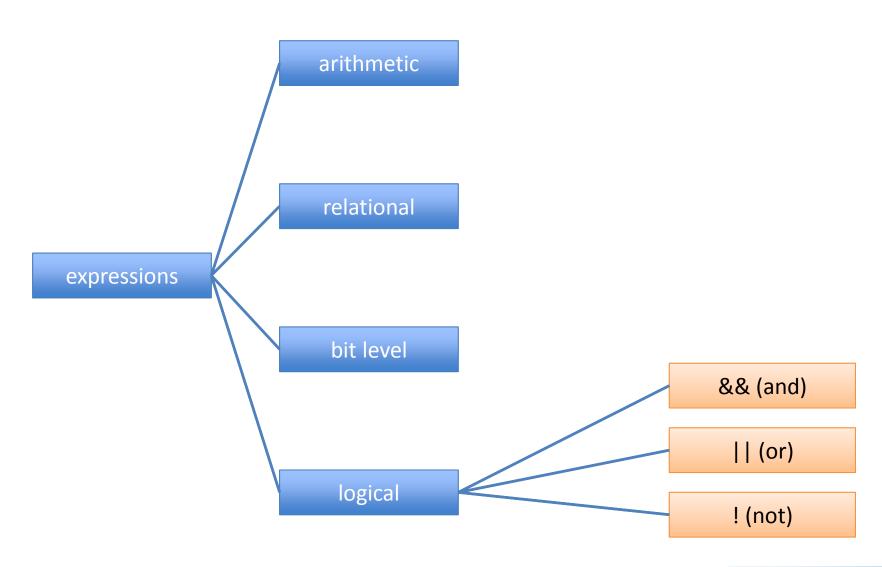
Bit level expressions



Example with bit-level operators

```
class Bits {
public static void main(String[] args) {
 int x = 0x16;
                        // 000000000000000000000000000010110
 int y = 0x33;
                        // 0000000000000000000000000110011
 System.out.println(x & y);
                        System.out.println(x \mid y);
                        // 0000000000000000000000000110111
 System.out.println(~x);
                        // 1111111111111111111111111111101001
                         //0000000000000000000000000000000000001
 x = 9;
 System.out.println(x >> 3);
                        System.out.println(x >>>3);
                         x = -9;
                         System.out.println(x >> 3);
                        System.out.println(x >>>3);
```

Logical expressions



Example with logical operators

```
class Logical {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    int x = 12,y = 33;
    double d = 2.45,e = 4.54;

    System.out.println(x < y && d < e);
    System.out.println(!(x < y));

    boolean test = 'a' > 'z';
    System.out.println(test | | d - 2.1 > 0);
  }
}
```

```
$ java Logical
true
false
true
```

Casting

Java performs a automatic type conversion when there is no risk for data to be lost.

In order to specify conversions where data can be lost it is necessary to use the cast operator.

```
class TestCast {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  int a = 'x'; // 34 is an int
  long b = 34; // 34 is an int
  float c = 1002; // 1002 is an int
  double d = 3.45F; // 3.45F is a float
  long e = 34;
  int f = (int)e; // a is a long
  double g = 3.45;
 float h = (float)g; // d is a double
```

Control structures: if

```
class If {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  char c = 'x';
  if ((c >= 'a' \&\& c <= 'z') | | (c >= 'A' \&\& c <= 'Z'))
   System.out.println("letter: " + c);
  else
   if (c \ge 0' \&\& c \le 9')
    System.out.println("digit: " + c);
   else {
     System.out.println("the character is: " + c);
     System.out.println("it is not a letter nor a digit");
```

```
$ java If
letter: x
```



Control structures: while

```
class While {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  final float initialValue = 2.34F;
  final float step = 0.11F;
  final float limit = 4.69F;
  float var = initialValue;
  int counter = 0;
  while (var < limit) {</pre>
   var += step;
   counter++;
  System.out.println("Incremented " + counter + " times");
```

```
$ java While
Incremented 22 times
```



Control structures: for

```
class For {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  final float initialValue = 2.34F;
  final float step = 0.11F;
  final float limit = 4.69F;
  int counter = 0;
  for (float var = initialValue;var < limit;var += step)</pre>
   counter++;
  System.out.println("Incremented " + counter + " times");
```

```
$ java For
Incremented 22 times
```

Control structures: break/continue

```
class BreakContinue {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  for (int counter = 0;counter < 10;counter++) {
   if (counter % 2 == 1) continue; // start a new iteration if the counter is odd
   if (counter == 8) break; // abandon the loop if the counter is equal to 8
   System.out.println(counter);
  System.out.println("done.");
```

```
$ java BreakContinue
0 2 4 6 done.
```

Control structures: switch

```
class Switch {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  boolean leapYear = true;
  int days = 0;
  for(int month = 1;month <= 12;month++) {
   switch(month) {
    case 1: // months with 31 days
    case 3:
    case 5:
    case 7:
    case 8:
    case 10:
    case 12:
     days += 31;
     break;
```

```
case 2: // February is a special case
    if (leapYear)
     days += 29;
    else
     days += 28;
    break;
  default: // a month with 30 days
    days += 30;
    break;
 System.out.println(days);
```

```
$ java Switch
366
```

Arrays

Arrays can be used to store a number of elements of the same type

```
int[] a;
float[] b;
String[] c
```

```
int[] a = {13,56,2034,4,55};
float[] b = {1.23F,2.1F};
String[] c = {"Java","is","great"};
```

Important: The declaration does not specify a size. However, it can be inferred when initialized

Other possibility to allocate space for arrays consists in the use of the operator new

```
int i = 3,j = 5;
double[] d;

d = new double[i+j];
```

Arrays

Components can be accessed with an integer index with values from 0 to length minus 1.

```
a[2] = 1000;
```

int len = a.length;

Every array has a member called length that can be used to get the length of the array

Components of the arrays are initialized with default values

```
int []a = new int[3];
for(int i = 0;i < a.length;i++)
   System.out.println(a[i]);
}</pre>
```

Arrays

```
class Arrays {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  int[] a = \{2,4,3,1\};
  // compute the summation of the elements of a
  int sum = 0;
  for(int i = 0; i < a.length; i++) sum += a[i];
  // create an array of the size computed before
  float[] d = new float[sum];
  for(int i = 0; i < d.length; i++) d[i] = 1.0F / (i+1);
  // print values in odd positions
  for(int i = 1; i < d.length; i += 2)
   System.out.println("d[" + i + "] = " + d[i]);
```

```
$ java Arrays
d[1]=0.5
d[3]=0.25
d[5]=0.16666667
d[7]=0.125
d[9]=0.1
```

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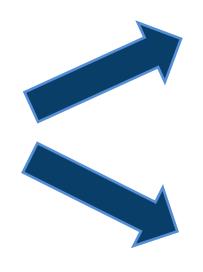
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Part II: Classes

Classes

A class is a template for data objects

Inside a class it is possible to define



data elements (called instance variables)

functions (called methods)

Classes

Class Book with three instance variables

```
class Book {
   String title;
   String author;
   int numberOfPages;
}
```

```
Book b1 = new Book();
Book b2 = new Book();
b3 = new Book();
```

New instances of the class can be created with new

The instance variables can be accessed with the dot notation

```
b1.title = "Thinking in Java";
```

Classes

```
class ExampleBooks {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  Book b = new Book();
  b.title = "Thinking in Java";
  b.author = "Bruce Eckel";
  b.numberOfPages = 1129;
  System.out.println(b.title + ": " + b.author +
            ":" + b.numberOfPages);
```

```
class Book {
   String title;
   String author;
   int numberOfPages;
}
```

«Thinking in Java»
author

«Bruce Eckel»
numberOfPages
1129

title

Constructors

✓ The constructors allow the creation of instances that are properly initialized

✓ A constructor is a method that: has the same name of class to which it belongs and has no specification for the return value.

✓ It is possible to define more than one constructor for a single class

Constructors

```
class Book {
  String title;
  String author;
  int numberOfPages;

Book(String tit,String aut,int num) {
   title = tit;
   author = aut;
   numberOfPages = num;
  }
}
```

Once a constructor has been defined, the default constructor Book() is not available any more.

```
class ExampleBooks2 {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
  Book b = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel",1129);
  System.out.println(b.title + " : " + b.author + " : " + b.numberOfPages);
  }
}
```

Multiple constructors

```
class Book {
                                                            It must be possibly
 String title;
                                                                to identify them
 String author;
                                                                     through the
 int numberOfPages;
 String ISBN;
                                                            argument definition
 Book(String tit, String aut, int num) {
  title = tit; author = aut;
  numberOfPages = num;
                                 a = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel", 1129);
  ISBN = "unknown";
 Book(String tit, String aut, int num, String isbn) {
  title = tit; author = aut;
  numberOfPages = num;
                                 b = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel", 1129, "0-
  ISBN = isbn;
                                 13-027363");
```

Methods

✓ A method is used to implement the messages that an instance (or a class) can receive.

✓ It is called by using the dot notation.

✓ It is implemented as a function, specifying arguments and type of the return value.

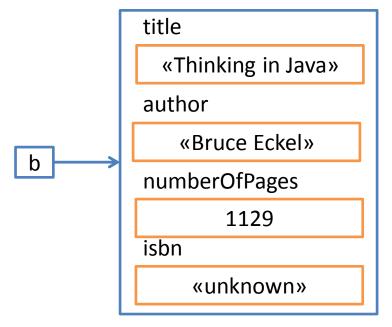


Methods

```
class Book {
public String getInitials() {
  String initials = "";
  for(int i = 0;i < author.length();i++) {</pre>
   char currentChar = author.charAt(i);
   if (currentChar >= 'A' && currentChar <='Z')</pre>
     initials = initials + currentChar + '.';
  return initials;
```

```
Initials: B.E.
```

```
b = new Book("Thinking in Java",
"Bruce Eckel",1129);
System.out.println(b.getInitials());
```



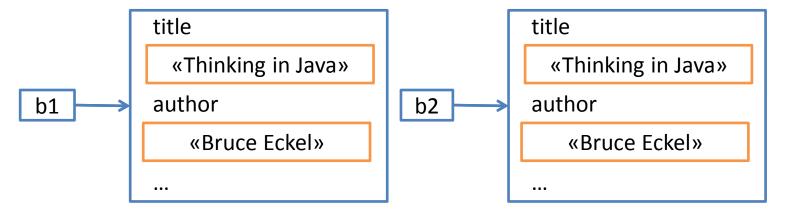
Equality and equivalence

```
class ExampleBooks6 {
  public static void main(String[] args) {

   Book b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java","Bruce Eckel",1129);
   Book b2 = new Book("Thinking in Java","Bruce Eckel",1129);

  if (b1 == b2)
    System.out.println(«Same");
  else
   System.out.println(«Different");
  }
}
```

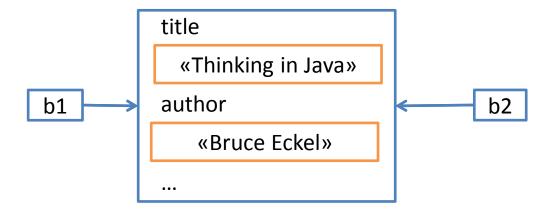
\$ java ExampleBooks6
Different



Equality and equivalence

```
class ExampleBooks6a {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  Book b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel", 1129);
  Book b2 = b1;
  if (b1 == b2)
   System.out.println("Same");
  else
   System.out.println("Different");
```

\$ java ExampleBooks6a
Same



Static instance variables

Class variables are fields that belong to the class and do not exist in each instance.

✓ There is always only one copy of this data field, independently of the number of the instances that were created.

Static instance variables

```
class Book {
    ...
    static String location;
    ...
    public void setLocation(String name) {
        location = name;
    }
    public String getLocation() {
        return location;
    }
}
```

```
Location of book b1: Kampar Location of book b2: Kampar
```

```
Book b1,b2;

b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel",1129);

b2 = new Book("Java in a nutshell", "David Flanagan",353);

b1.setLocation("Kampar");

System.out.println("Location of book b1: " + b1.getLocation());

System.out.println("location of book b2: " + b2.getLocation());
```

Static methods

✓ With the same idea of the static data members, it is possible to define class methods or static methods

✓ These methods do not work directly with instances but with the class

✓ Can access only static instance variables



Static methods

The method getLocation() is a good candidate to be defined as a static method

```
class Book {
    ...
    static String location;
    ...
    public static String getLocation() {
       return "Books are located in" + location;
    }
}
```

Book are located in: Kampar Books are located in: Kampar

```
Book b1,b2;
b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java","Bruce Eckel",1129);
b2 = new Book("Java in a nutshell","David Flanagan",353);
b1.setLocation("Kampar");
System.out.println(b1.getLocation ());
System.out.println(Book.getLocation());
```

Instance variables initialization

✓ All instance variables are guaranteed to have an initial value.

✓ The value is 0 for basic types
and null for references

✓ Instance variables can be also initialized by calling instance methods

Instance variables initialization

```
class Values {
  int x = 2;
  int y;
  float f = inverse(x);
  String s;
  Book b;
  Values(String str) { s = str; }
  public float inverse(int value) { return 1.0F / value; }
  public void dump() { System.out.println("" + x + "," + y + "," + f + "," + s + "," + b);
  }
}
```

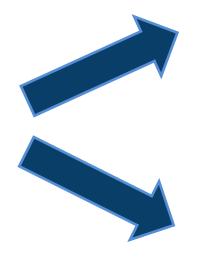
```
$ java InitialValues
2, 0, 0.5, hello, null
```

```
class InitialValues {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Values v = new Values("hello");
    v.dump()
  }
}
```

The "this" keyword

The keyword this, when used inside a method, refers to the receiver object

It has two main uses:



to return a
reference to the
receiver object from
a method

to call constructors from other constructors.

The "this" keyword

The class Book has two constructors

```
Book(String tit,String aut,int num) {
  title = tit; author = aut; numberOfPages = num;
  ISBN = "unknown";
}
Book(String tit,String aut,int num,String isbn) {
  title = tit; author = aut; numberOfPages = num;
  ISBN = isbn;
}
```

```
Book(String tit,String aut,int num,String isbn) {
  this(tit,aut,num); ISBN = isbn;
}
```

The second can be better defined in terms of the first one

The "this" keyword

The method setLocation in the previous Book class could have been defined as

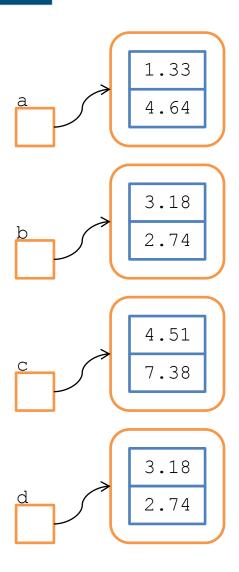
```
class Book {
    ...
    static String location;
    ...
    public Book setLocation(String name) {
        location = name;
        return this;
    }
}
```

Operations can be performed now in "cascade" mode

```
Book b1,b2;
b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java","Bruce Eckel",1129);
System.out.println(«Initials: " + b1.setLocation("Kampar").getInitials());
```

```
class TestComplex {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  Complex a = new Complex(1.33, 4.64);
  Complex b = new Complex(3.18, 2.74);
  Complex c = a.add(b);
  System.out.println("c=a+b=" + c.getReal() +
                     " " + c.getImaginary());
  Complex d = c.sub(a);
  System.out.println("d=c-a=" + d.getReal() +
                     " " + d.getImaginary());
```

```
$ java TestComplex
c=a+b= 4.51 7.38 d=c-a= 3.18 2.74
```

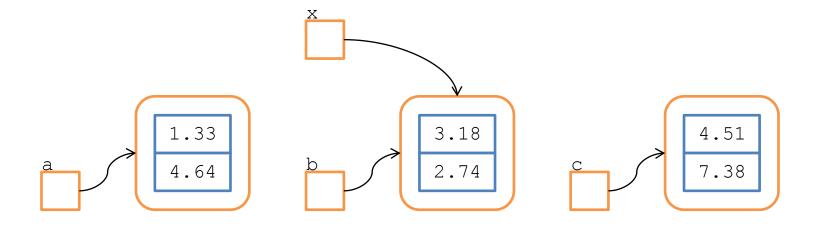


```
class Complex {
 double real; // real part
 double im; // imaginary part
 Complex(double r,double i) {
  real = r;
  im = i;
                                                a = new Complex (1.33, 4.64);
 public double getReal() {
  return real;
                                            double realPart = a.getReal();
 public double getImaginary() {
  return im;
                                        double imPart = a.getImmaginary();
```

```
public Complex add(Complex x) {
  return new Complex(real + x.real,im + x.im);
}

public Complex sub(Complex x) {
  return new Complex(real - x.real,im - x.im);
}
```

Complex c = a.add(b);

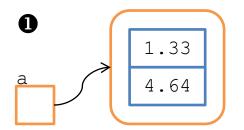


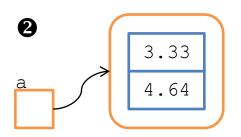
```
public Complex addReal(double x) {
  real += x;
  return this;
}

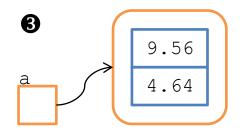
Complex(Complex x) {
  this(x.real,x.im);
}
```

The method addReal increments just the real part of the receptor of the message with the value passed as argument

```
1   Complex a = new Complex(1.33, 4.64);
2   a.addReal(2.0);
3   a.addReal(3.0).addReal(3.23);
```







Type wrappers

✓ Primitive types are used for performance reasons, however many situations require an object

✓ Type wrappers are classes that encapsulate primitive types within an object

✓ There exist one type wrapper class for each primitive type

Boxing and Unboxing operations

boxing and unboxing operations are provided to encapsulate/extract the values to/from an object.

```
Integer iObject = new Integer(21);
int i = iObject.intValue();
```

```
Integer iObject = 21;
int i = iObject;
```

Auto-boxing and auto-unboxing operations are provided to make easier to work with wrapped objects:

However... these operations add overhead, to be used only when required.



Methods with variable number of arguments

A variable length argument list is specified with three periods:

```
int add(int ... values) {
  int summation = 0;
  for(int i = 0;i < values.length;i++) {
     summation += values[i];
  }
  return summation;
}</pre>
```

```
int sum = add(1, 2, 3, 4, 5);
```

The argument is implicitly declared as an array, however, it can be called with a variable number of arguments

Inner classes

```
public class A {
  int x;
  B b;
  class B {
     int y;
     B(int y) { this.y = y; }
     public int add() { return x + y; }
  A(int x, int y) {
     this.x = x;
     this.b = new B(y);
  public int add() {
     return b.add();
```

An inner class is a class defined inside other class

An inner class can be even created without a name.

More details later....

```
A a = new A(3, 4);
System.out.println(a.add());
```

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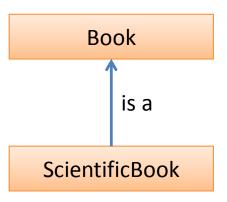
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Inheritance

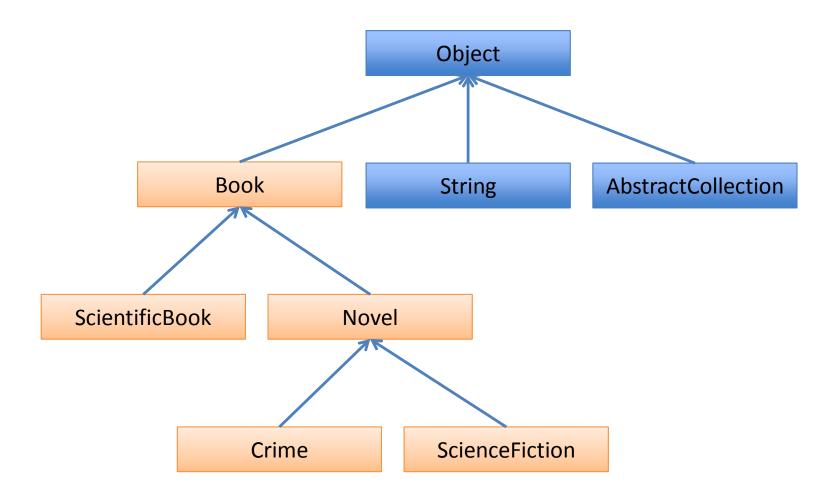
Inheritance allows to define new classes by reusing other classes, specifying just the differences.

It is possible to define a new class (subclass) by spacifying that the class must be like other class (superclass)

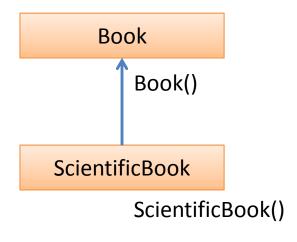
```
class ScientificBook extends Book {
  String area;
  boolean proceeding = false;
}
```



Inheritance



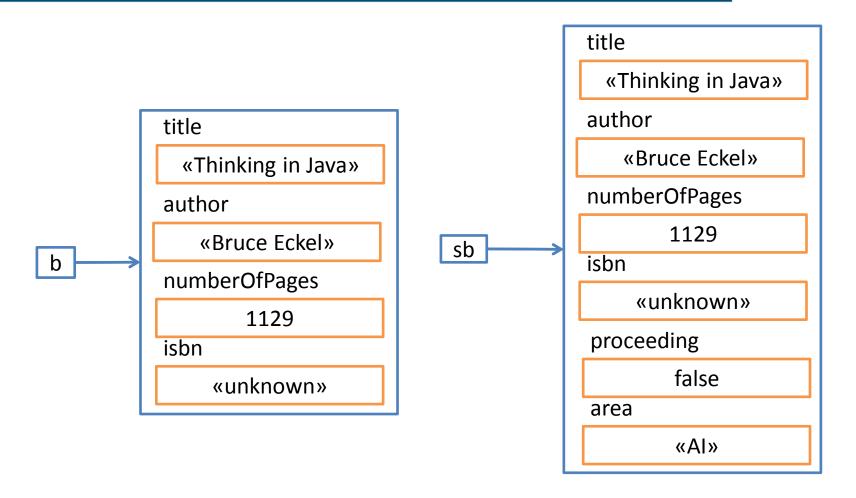
Constructors definition



If the superclass defines a constructor, the subclass has to define it and call the higher one by using super

```
ScientificBook sb;
sb = new ScientificBook("Neural Networks","Simon Haykin",696,"0-02-352761-7","AI");
```

Constructors definition



ScientificBook sb;

sb = new ScientificBook("Neural Networks", "Simon Haykin", 696, "0-02-352761-7", "AI"); Book b = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel", 1129);



Inheritance with methods

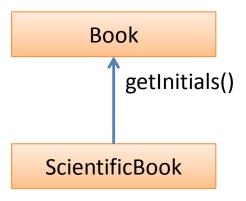
✓ New methods can be defined in the subclass to specify the behavior of the objects of this class

✓ When a message is sent to an object, the method is searched for in the class of the receptor object.

✓ If it is not found then it is searched for higher up in the hierarchy.

Inherited methods

Inherited method can be used directly on the instances of the subclass



```
ScientificBook sb;

sb = new ScientificBook("Neural Networks","Simon Haykin", 696,

"0-02-352761-7","AI");

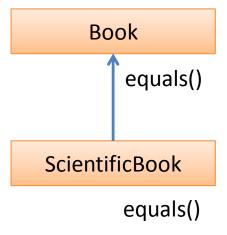
System.out.println(sb.getInitials());
```

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Overridden methods

```
class ScientificBook extends Book {
 String area;
 boolean proceeding = false;
 ScientificBook(String tit, String aut,
    int num, String isbn, String a) {
  super(tit,aut,num,isbn);
  area = a;
 @override
 public boolean equals(ScientificBook b){
   return super.equals(b) && area.equals(b.area) &&
              proceeding == b.proceeding;
@override
 public static String getLocation() {
   return "ScientificBooks are located in" + location;
```

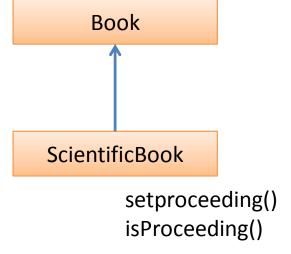
Methods in the subclass can override the methods in the superclass



New methods definition

```
class ScientificBook extends Book {
 Boolean proceeding = false;
public void setProceeding() {
  proceeding = true;
public boolean isProceeding() {
  return proceeding;
```

New methods can also be defined



Methods: an example

```
class TestScientificBooks {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  ScientificBook sb1,sb2;
  sb1 = new ScientificBook("Neural Networks", "Simon Haykin",
                696,"0-02-352761-7", "AI");
  sb2 = new ScientificBook("Neural Networks", "Simon Haykin",
                696,"0-02-352761-7", "AI");
  sb2.setProceeding();
  ScientificBook.setLocation("Kampar");
  System.out.println(sb1.getInitials());
  System.out.println(sb1.equals(sb2));
  System.out.println(sb1.getLocation());
```

```
$ java TestScientificBooks
S.H.
false
ScientificBooks are located in Kampar
```

InstanceOf and getClass()

getClass() returns the runtime class of an object

```
Book b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel", 1129);
System.out.println(b1.getClass().getName());
```

Book

instanceof is an operator that determines if an object is an instance of a specified class

```
Book b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel", 1129);
System.out.println(b1 instanceof Book);
```

true



InstanceOf and getClass(): an example

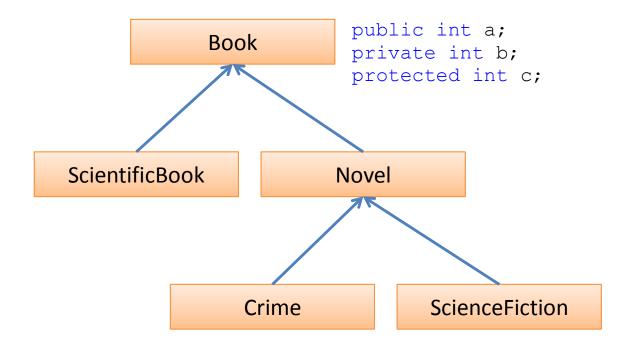
```
class TestClass {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  Book b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel", 1129);
  ScientificBook sb1 = new ScientificBook("Neural Networks",
                "Simon Haykin",696,"0-02-352761-7",
               "Artificial Intelligence");
  System.out.println(b1.getClass().getName());
  System.out.println(sb1.getClass().getName());
  System.out.println(b1 instanceof Book);
  System.out.println(sb1 instanceof Book);
  System.out.println(b1 instanceof ScientificBook);
  System.out.println(sb1 instanceof ScientificBook);
```

```
$ java TestClass
Book
ScientificBook
true true false true
```



Access control

It is possible to control the access to methods and variables from other classes with the modifiers: public, private, protected



Access control

Currently, it is possible to set the proceeding condition of a scientific book in two ways

```
sb1.setProceeding();
```

```
sb1.proceeding = true;
```

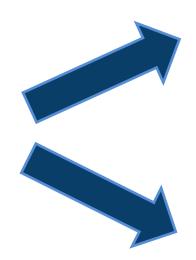
However, direct access to a data member should not be allowed in order to guarantee encapsulation!

```
class ScientificBook extends Book {
  private boolean proceeding = false;
  ...
}
```

```
sb1.setProceeding();  // fine
sb1.proceeding = true;  // wrong
```

Final and abstract

The modifiers final and abstract can be applied to both classes and methods:



A final class does not allow subclassing

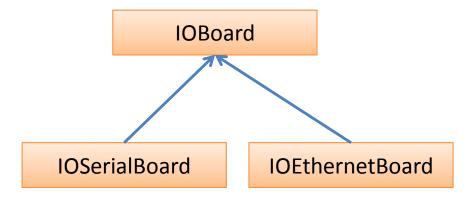
A final method cannot be redefined in a subclass

An abstract class cannot be instantiated

An abstract methods has no body, and must be redefined in a subclass

Final and abstract: an example

the class IOBoard and its subclasses



IOBoard is a container for the common behavior of the other boards



Final and abstract: an example

```
abstract class IOBoard {
 String name;
 int numErrors = 0;
 IOBoard(String s) {
  System.out.println("IOBoard constructor");
  name = s;
 final public void anotherError() {
  numErrors++;
 final public int getNumErrors() {
  return numErrors;
 abstract public void initialize();
 abstract public void read();
 abstract public void write();
 abstract public void close();
```

The method anotherError() is final, cannot be redefined in subclasses

The other methods are abstract, subclasses must implement them

Final and abstract: an example

```
class IOSerialBoard extends IOBoard {
 int port;
 IOSerialBoard(String s,int p) {
  super(s); port = p;
  System.out.println("IOSerialBoard constructor");
 public void initialize() {
  System.out.println("initialize method in IOSerialBoard");
 public void read() {
  System.out.println("read method in IOSerialBoard");
 public void write() {
  System.out.println("write method in IOSerialBoard");
 public void close() {
  System.out.println("close method in IOSerialBoard");
```

Final and abstract: an example

```
class IOEthernetBoard extends IOBoard {
 long networkAddress;
 IOEthernetBoard(String s, long netAdd) {
  super(s); networkAddress = netAdd;
  System.out.println("IOEthernetBoard constructor");
 public void initialize() {
  System.out.println("initialize method in IOEthernetBoard");
 public void read() {
  System.out.println("read method in IOEthernetBoard");
 public void write() {
  System.out.println("write method in IOEthernetBoard");
 public void close() {
  System.out.println("close method in IOEthernetBoard");
```

Final and abstract: an example

```
class TestBoards1 {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    IOSerialBoard serial = new IOSerialBoard("my first port«, 0x2f8);
    serial.initialize();
    serial.read();
    serial.close();
  }
}
```

```
$ java TestBoards1
IOBoard constructor
IOSerialBoard constructor
initialize method in IOSerialBoard
read method in IOSerialBoard
close method in IOSerialBoard
```

Polymorphism

✓ It is one of the most important concepts in Object Oriented Programming

✓ A solution is polymorphic if the same interface can be used to control a number of different implementations.

✓ Example: the power-on interface to request the same operation on a number of very different devices



Polymorphism

An array of boards can be defined with IOBoard

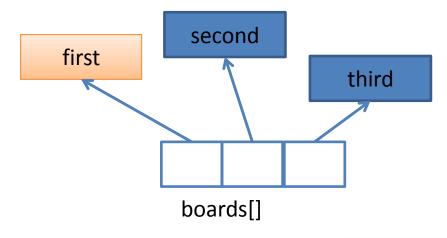
```
IOBoard[] board = new IOBoard[3];
board[0] = new IOSerialBoard("my first port",0x2f8);
board[1] = new IOEthernetBoard("my second port",0x3ef8dda8);
board[2] = new IOEthernetBoard("my third port",0x3ef8dda9);
```

Operations are executed based on its corresponding implementation

```
for(int i = 0;i < 3;i++)
    board[i].initialize();

for(int i = 0;i < 3;i++)
    board[i].read();

for(int i = 0;i < 3;i++)
    board[i].close();</pre>
```



Interfaces

An interface describes what classes should do, without specifying how they should do it.

An interface looks like a class definition where



All fields are static and final



All methods have no body and are public

```
interface IOBoardInterface {
  public void initialize();
  public void read();
  public void write();
  public void close();
}
```

```
interface NiceBehavior {
  public String getName();
  public String getGreeting();
  public void sayGoodBye();
}
```

Interfaces

```
class IOSerialBoard implements IOBoardInterface, Nice Behavior {
 int port;
 public void initialize() { ... }
 public void read() { ... }
 public void write() { ... }
 public void close() { ... }
 public String getName() { ... }
 public String getGreeting() { ... }
 public void sayGoodBye() { ... }
```

Note that there is no inheritance

Note a class can implement more than one interface



Packages

A package is a structure in which classes can be organized.

The standard classes in the system are organized in packages

It can contain any number of classes, usually related by purpose or by inheritance.

```
import java.util.*; // or import java.util.Date

class TestDate {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println(new Date());
  }
}
```

Packages

```
package myBook;

class Book {
   String title;
   String author;
   int numberOfPages;
}
```

Package name is defined by using the keyword package as the first instruction

```
package myBook;
class ExampleBooks {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  Book b = new Book();
  b.title = "Thinking in Java";
  b.author = "Bruce Eckel";
  b.numberOfPages = 1129;
  System.out.println(b.title + ": " +
   b.author + ": " + b.numberOfPages);
```

Packages

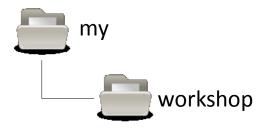
```
package my.workshop.myBook;

class Book {
   String title;
   String author;
   int numberOfPages;
}
```

```
package my.workshop.myBook;

class ExampleBooks {
  public static void main(String[] args) {

    Book b = new Book();
}
```



There is a correspondence between the package name and the directory structure where the classes are located

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Part IV: Exceptions and Input - Output

The usual behavior on runtime errors is to abort the execution

```
class TestExceptions1 {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    String s = "Hello";
    System.out.print(s.charAt(10));
  }
}
```

For example, here there is an error in the charAt() call

```
$ java TestExceptions1
Exception in thread "main"
java.lang.StringIndexOutOfBoundsException:
String index out of range: 10
at java.lang.String.charAt(String.java:499)
at TestExceptions1.main(TestExceptions1.java:11)
```

The exception can be trapped by using a try-catch block

```
class TestExceptions2 {
  public static void main(String[] args) {

    String s = "Hello";
    try {
       System.out.print(s.charAt(10));
    } catch (Exception e) {
       System.out.println("No such position");
    }
}
```

```
$ java TestExceptions2
No such position
```

It is possible to specify interest on a particular exception

```
class TestExceptions4 {
  public static void main(String[] args) {

    String s = "Hello";
    try {
       System.out.print(s.charAt(10));
    } catch (StringIndexOutOfBoundsException e) {
       System.out.println("No such position");
       System.out.println(e.toString());
    }
}
```

And also send messages to an exception object

```
$ java TestExceptions4
No such position
java.lang.StringIndexOutOfBoundsException:
String index out of range: 10
```

```
class MultipleCatch {
 public void printInfo(String sentence) {
  try {
   // get first and last char before the dot
   char first = sentence.charAt(0);
   char last = sentence.charAt(sentence.indexOf(".") - 1);
   String out = String.format("First: %c Last: %c",first, last);
   System.out.println(out);
  } catch (StringIndexOutOfBoundsException e1) {
   System.out.println("Wrong sentence, no dot?");
  } catch (NullPointerException e2) {
   System.out.println("Non valid string");
  } finally {
   System.out.println("done!");
```

It is possible to add multiple catch blocks and a finally clause



Streams

✓ Java provides strong I/O capabilities based on the concepts of streams

✓ A stream is an abstraction that produces and consumes data

✓ Streams can be byte-oriented or character-oriented

✓ Can be applied to any kind of device

Byte oriented streams

```
import java.io.*;
class WriteData {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  double data[] = { 10.3,20.65,8.45,-4.12 };
  FileOutputStream f;
  BufferedOutputStream bf;
  DataOutputStream ds;
  try {
   f = new FileOutputStream("file1.data");
   bf = new BufferedOutputStream(f);
   ds = new DataOutputStream(bf);
```

```
ds.writeInt(data.length);
for(int i = 0;i < data.length;i++)
   ds.writeDouble(data[i]);
ds.writeBoolean(true);
ds.close();

} catch (IOException e) {
   System.out.println("Error:"+ e);
}
</pre>
```

The file will be a sequence of bytes

Please note that no structure is defined in the file



Byte oriented streams

```
import java.io.*;
class ReadData {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  FileOutputStream f;
  BufferedOutputStream bf;
  DataOutputStream ds;
  try {
   f = new FileInputStream("file1.data");
   bf = new BufferedInputStream(f);
   ds = new DataInputStream(bf);
```

```
int length = ds.readInt();
for(int i = 0;i < length;i++)
    System.out.println(ds.readDouble());
    System.out.println(ds.readBoolean());
    ds.close();
} catch (IOException e) {
    System.out.println("Error :"+e);
}
}</pre>
```

The reader has to know the file structure!



Character oriented streams

```
import java.io.*;
class WriteText {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  FileWriter f;
  BufferedWriter bf;
  try {
   f = new FileWriter("file1.text");
   bf = new BufferedWriter(f);
   String s = "Hello World!";
   bf.write(s,0,s.length());
   bf.newLine();
   bf.write("Java is nice!!!",8,5);
   bf.newLine();
   bf.close();
  } catch (IOException e) {
   System.out.println("Error with
files:"+e.toString());
```

```
import java.io.*;
class ReadText {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  FileReader f;
  BufferedReader bf;
  try {
   f = new FileReader("file1.text");
   bf = new BufferedReader(f);
   String s;
   while ((s = bf.readLine()) != null)
    System.out.println(s);
   bf.close();
  } catch (IOException e) {
   System.out.println("Error:"+ e);
```

Character oriented streams

```
import java.io.*;
class ReadWithScanner {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  try {
   Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
   int sum = 0;
   while (sc.hasNextInt()) {
    int anInt = sc.nextInt();
    sum += anInt;
   System.out.println(sum);
  } catch (IOException e) {
   System.out.println("Error!");
```

Uses the predefined stream for standard input

Character oriented streams

Can be used also to access other devices, not only files

```
URL url = new URL("http://www.google.com");
URLConnection conn = url.openConnection();
InputStreamReader reader = new InputStreamReader(conn.getInputStream());
BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(reader);
String s;
while ((s = in.readLine()) != null) {
 System.out.println(s);
in.close();
<!doctype html><html itemscope="itemscope"</pre>
```

```
<!doctype html><html itemscope="itemscope"
itemtype="http://schema.org/WebPage"><head> .....
```

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Part V: Threads

Threads

- ✓ It is possible to run concurrently different tasks called threads.
 - ✓ The threads can communicate between themselves

✓ Their access to shared data can be synchronized

✓ Two implementation possibilities: extend thread or implement runnable interface

Sub-classing the Thread class

```
class CharThread extends Thread {
 char c;
 CharThread(char aChar) {
  c = aChar;
 public void run() {
  while (true) {
   System.out.println(c);
   try {
    sleep(100);
   } catch (InterruptedException e) {
    System.out.println("Interrupted");
```

```
class TestThreads {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    CharThread t1 = new CharThread('a');
    CharThread t2 = new CharThread('b');

  t1.start();
  t2.start();
  }
}
```

```
$ java TestThreads
a
b
a
b
```

Runnable interface

```
class CharThread implements Runnable {
 char c;
 CharThread(char aChar) {
  c = aChar;
 public void run() {
  while (true) {
   System.out.println(c);
   try {
    Thread.sleep(100);
   } catch (InterruptedException e) {
    System.out.println("Interrupted");
```

Now the class can extend other classes

Note that sleep is not inherited any more!

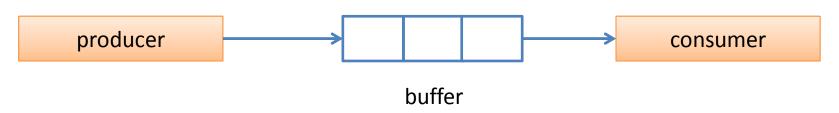
An example

```
class ProducerConsumer {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Buffer buffer = new Buffer(10);
    Producer prod = new Producer(buffer);
    Consumer cons = new Consumer(buffer);

  prod.start();
  cons.start();
  }
}
```

The producer and the consumer are implemented with threads

The buffer is shared between the two threads



An example: the producer and consumer

```
class Producer extends Thread {
 Buffer buffer;
 public Producer(Buffer b) {
  buffer = b;
 public void run() {
  double value = 0.0;
  while (true) {
   buffer.insert(value);
   value += 0.1;
```

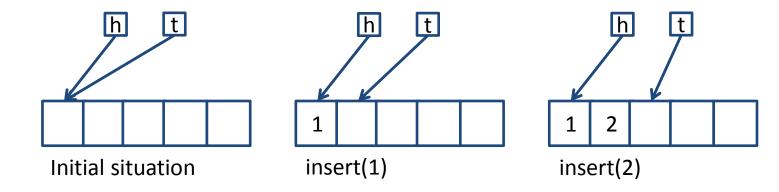
```
class Consumer extends Thread {
Buffer buffer;
 public Consumer(Buffer b) {
  buffer = b;
 public void run() {
  while(true) {
   char element = buffer.delete()
   System.out.println(element);
```

```
producer consumer
```

buffer

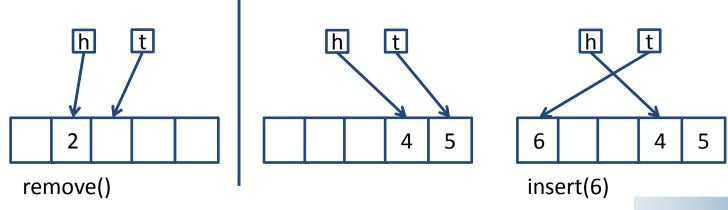
An example: the circular buffer

Insertion of elements in the buffer:



Remove one element:

Going beyond the limit of the buffer:



An example: the buffer

```
class Buffer {
 double buffer[];
 int head = 0,tail = 0,size = 0,numElements = 0;
 public Buffer(int s) {
  buffer = new double[s];
  size = s:
 public void insert(double element) {
  buffer[tail] = element; tail = (tail + 1) % size;
  numElements++;
 public double delete() {
  double value = buffer[head]; head = (head + 1) % size;
  numElements--;
  return value;
```

An example: problems

However, the implementation does not work!.

- The methods insert() and delete() operate concurrently over the same structure.
- The method insert() does not check if there is at least one slot free in the buffer
- the method delete() does not check if there is at least one piece of data available in the buffer.

There is a need for synchronization



Synchronization

✓ Synchronized access to a critical resource can be achieved with synchronized methods

- ✓ Each instance has a lock, used to synchronize the access.
 - ✓ Synchronized methods are not allowed to be executed concurrently on the same instance.

An example: synchronized methods

```
public synchronized void insert(double element) {
while (numElements == size) {
  try {
   wait();
  } catch(InterruptedException e) {
   System.out.println("Interrupted");
 buffer[tail] = element;
 tail = (tail + 1) \% size;
 numElements++;
 notify();
```

The methods goes to sleep (and release the lock) if buffer is full

At the end, it awakes producer(s) which can be sleeping waiting for the lock

Synchronized access to the critical resource is achieved with a synchronized method:

An example: synchronized methods

```
public synchronized double delete() {
 while (numElements == 0) {
  try {
   wait();
  } catch(InterruptedException e) {
   System.out.println("Interrupted");
 double value = buffer[head];
 head = (head + 1) \% size;
 numElements--;
 notify();
 return value;
```

Synchronized access to the critical resource is achieved with a synchronized method:

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Part VI: Collections and Generics

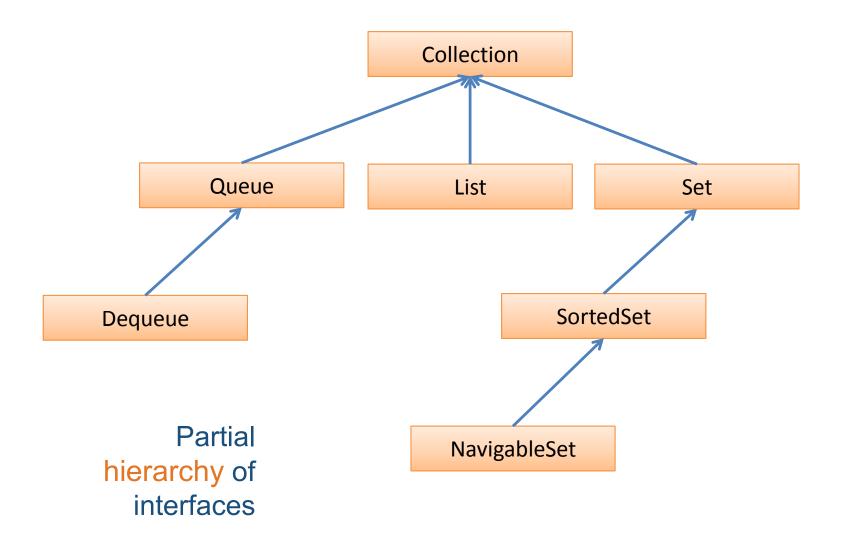
Collections Framework

✓ The framework provides state-of-theart technology for managing groups of objects

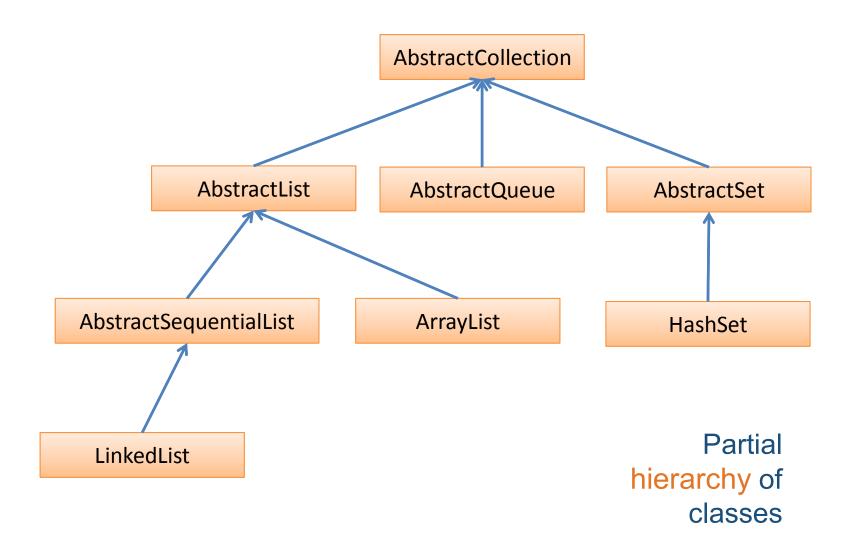
✓ A highly sophisticated hierarchy of interfaces and classes

✓ Java programmers must know and use it

Interfaces



Classes



An example with ArrayList

Creation and insertion

```
ArrayList<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();
list.add("red");
list.add("blue");
list.add("white");
```

```
for(String x : list) {
    System.out.println(x);
}
```

Traversing the structure

Removing elements

```
list.remove(2);
list.remove("white");
```



An example with LinkedList

Creation and insertion

```
LinkedList<String> list = new LinkedList<String>();
list.add("red");
list.addFirst("blue");
list.add(1,"white");
```

```
for(String x : list) {
    System.out.println(x);
}
```

Traversing the structure

Removing elements

```
list.Last();
list.remove("white");
```



An example with HashMap

Creation and insertion

```
HashMap<String, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();
map.put("temperature", 22);
map.put("humidity", 65);
```

```
int temp = map.get("temperature");
```

Accessing a value

Getting keys

```
for(String x : map.keySet()) {
    System.out.println(map.get(x));
}
```

Generics

✓ Generics allows to build parameterized types:

create classes, interfaces, and methods in which the type of data upon which they operate is specified as a parameter.

✓ Improve type safety when compared with Objects

An example

```
public class Stack<BaseType> {
  LinkedList<BaseType> data;
  Stack() {
    data = new LinkedList<BaseType>();
  public void push(BaseType e) {
    data.addFirst(e);
  public BaseType pop() {
    return data.removeFirst();
public int size() {
    return data.size();
```

A generic stack

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Stack<Integer> stack = new Stack<>();
    stack.push(22);
    stack.push(66);
    System.out.println(stack.pop());
}
```

Be careful, no checking is done when removing elements!

Bounded classes

The generic class can be restricted

```
public class Stack<BaseType extends Number> {
     ...
}
```

This specifies that BaseType can only be replaced by Number, or subclasses of Number.

Wildcard arguments

Let's defined a new methods to compare the size of two stacks:

```
public class Stack<BaseType extends Number> {
...
   public boolean equalSize(Stack<BaseType> other) {
     return size() == other.size();
   }
```

```
Stack<Integer> stack1 = new Stack<>();
stack1.push(22);
stack1.push(66);

Stack<Float> stack2 = new Stack<>();
stack2.push(3.1);

boolean equalSize = stack1.equalSize(stack2);
```

However, it does not work if types are different!

Wildcard arguments

A new method with wildcards to compare the size of two stacks:

```
public class Stack<BaseType extends Number> {
...
   public boolean equalSize(Stack<?> other) {
    return size() == other.size();
   }
```

```
Stack<Integer> stack1 = new Stack<>();
stack1.push(22);
stack1.push(66);
Stack<Float> stack2 = new Stack<>();
stack2.push(3.1);
boolean equalSize = stack1.equalSize(stack2);
```

It works now



Comparator interface for Collections

Classes that implements the comparable interface can be "compared" by Collection methods

```
public interface Comparable<T extends Object> {
   public int compareTo(T t);
}
```

Note the bounded generic declaration!



Comparator interface for Collections

```
class Book implements Comparable<Book> {
    ...

public int compareTo(Book aBook) {
    return numberOfPages - aBook.numberOfPages;
}
```

Books can be compared now!

```
Book b1 = new Book("Thinking in Java","Bruce Eckel",1129);
Book b2 = new Book("Java in a nutshell", "David Flanagan",353);
ArrayList<Book> list = new ArrayList<Book>();
list.add(b1); list.add(b2);
Collections.sort(list);
for (Book x : list) {
    System.out.println(x.title);
}
```

