

Cheatsheet Java

Comments

Single-line Comment:
1 String txt = "Hello!";
2 //this is a Comment
3 System.out.println(txt);
4
Multi-line Comment:
1 String txt = "Hello!";
2 /*Comments will not be
3 executed */
4 System.out.println(txt);

Control structures

1if(condition1){
2 /*if condition1 true,
3 execute*/
4}
5else if(condition2){
6 /*if condition1 false and
7 condition2 true, execute */
8}
9else{
10 //if everything false, execute
11}

Loops

1for(int i=0; i<10; i++){
2 //execute 10 times
3}
4while(condition){
5 //execute as long as condition
6}
7do{
8 //execute at least once
9}while(condition);

Switch

1switch(expression){
2 case 1:
3 //execute if expression==1
4 break;
5 case 2:
6 //execute if expression==2
7 break;
8 default:
9 //execute if expression is
10 not 1 or 2 */
11 break;
12}

Functions

1//Declaration and Implementation
2<ret-type> <func-name>(<para-type>
 <para-name>, ...){
3 // function body
4 //execute
5 return <expression>;
6}
7//Function call
8<func-name>(<argument>, ...);

Types

Primitive data types:

Type	Size	Type	Size
byte	8 bit	float	32 bit
short	16 bit	double	64 bit
int	32 bit	Type	Value
long	64 bit	char	'a', 'G'
		boolean	true, false
		void	-

Typecasting: byte → short → char → int → long → float → double

Non-Primitive data types:

Type	Value
String	"Hello World!"
Array	int[] myNum = {10, 20, 30, 40};

Declaration, Initialisation

Declaration: int a; String txt;
<Type>< Name>;
Initialisation: int b = 50; int b = a;
<Type><Name>=<Literal/Variable>;
Assignment: a = b; txt = "abc";

Operations

Arithmetic:

Operation	Example
+	3 + 5 == 8
-	7 - 2 == 5
*	4 * 2 == 8
/	7 / 2 == 3
% (Modulo)	72 % 10 == 2

Comparison:

Operator	Math	Example
>	>	5 > 2
>=	≥	5 >= 2
<	<	10 < 21
<=	≤	5 <= 5
==	=	5 == 5
!=	≠	-32 != 32

Arrays

1//Declaration
2<type>[] <name>;
3int[] arr;
4//allocation
5<name> = new <type>[<size>];
6arr = new int[5];
7//or
8<name> = {<element1>, ...};
9arr = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};
10//Access
11<name>[<index>];
12arr[2] = 5;

Strings

1/*Strings are immutable and come
2with a number of methods
3already implemented*/
4//Declaration
5String <name>=new String(<value>);
6String helloString=new String("hello");
7//or
8String <name>=<value>;
9String helloString="hello";
10//Small Selection of useful Methods
11helloString.length();
12helloString.charAt(<index>);
13helloString.split(" ");

Object-Oriented Programming

• Attributes:
define the state of an Object
Data
Describes the Object
Other names: fields, properties
Modifier always private, use Get-ter/Setter for access

• Methods:
describes behavior of an Object
Code/Function
Changes the state of the object
Or interacts with other objects
Modifier mostly public

1// Defining Class
2class <class-name>{
3 //Attributes
4 <modifier> <type> <var-name>;
5 //Methods
6 <modifier> <ret-type> <func-name>
 >(<para-type> <para-name>,
 ...){
7 // function body
8 }
9}

1class Room {
2 private int chairs = 4; // Attribute
3 public void addChairs(int chairs)
4 {
5 this.chairs += chairs;
6 } //Method
7}

1//Creating Object
2<class-name> <obj-name> =
3new <class-name>();
4Room kitchen = new Room();
5
6//Accessing Attributes and Methods
7<obj-name>.<var-name>; //Attribute
8kitchen.chairs;
9
10<obj-name>.<func-name>
11(<argument>, ...); //Method
12kitchen.addChairs(2);
13
14/*to access members of own class
use keyword this:*/
15this.<var-name>;
16this.<func-name>(<argument>, ...);
17this.chairs += 5;

Access modifiers to define access to an attribute or method:

• public: Anyone can access the member, default

• private: Only the class itself can access the member

• protected: Only the class itself and its subclasses can access the member

Constructor:

• same name as class

• will get called if a new object is created

• mostly used for Initialisation of attributes

1class <class-name> {
2 public <class-name>(){...}
3 //constructor body
4 }
5 ...
6}
7class Student {
8 public Student(String name, ...){
9 this.name = name;
10 ...
11 }
12}

Inheritance

1/* To give a subclass all members
2of a superclass
3to inherit use 'extends' keyword */
4class Vehicle {
5 ...
6}
7class Car extends Vehicle {
8 ...
9}

1/* use 'super' to refer
2to the superclass */
3class <Subclass-name> extends
4<Superclass-name> {
5 public <Subclass-name>(){...}
6 super();
7 }
8
9/*use @Override to replace a
10method from the superclass */
11@Override
12 public <Superclass-Method>(){
13 /* calls the method
14 of the superclass */
15 super.<Superclass-Method>();
16 //insert own code here
17 }
18}

Abstract Classes and Inheritance

1/* Abstract classes cannot be
2instantiated and need to be
3inherited by subclasses,
4abstract functions are declarations
5of functions that have to be
6implemented in subclasses */
7public abstract class <class-name>
8 {
9 //abstract method
10 public abstract <ret-type> <func-
name>(...);
11 ...
12}

1/* Interface is a group of
2related methods with no
3implementation. A class can
4implement multiple interfaces */
5public interface <interface-name> {
6 public <ret-type> <func-name>
7 (...);
8 }
9
10public class <class-name>
11 implements <interface-name> {
12 ...
13}

Static Variables, Static Functions

Static variables are variables that can be accessed from every object of the class. Only one copy of the variable exists. Static Functions are Functions with one implementation for every object of the class. Cannot access instance variables or methods directly. Can be accessed via Class name
1public class Test{
2 public static int counter;
3
4 public static int getCounter(){
5 return counter;
6 }
7}
8
9//getCounter() can be accessed via
10Test.getCounter();