UA

Sistemas de Operação / Fundamentos de Sistemas Operativos

Brief comparison of Java and C/C++

Artur Pereira <artur@ua.pt>

DETI / Universidade de Aveiro

ACP (UA/DETI) SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 1/22

Outline

- Introduction
- 2 Data types
- 3 Statements
- 4 Object-oriented features
- 6 Input/output
- 6 Functions

ACP (UA/DETI) S0+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 2/22

Introduction

Objectives

- I don't want to teach programming
- I just want to point out some tips that can help to bridge the gap between Java and C/C++

How?

- Pointing out correspondences between elements of the two languages
- Pointing out elements that exist in one and not in the other

ACP (UA/DETI) SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 4/22

Variables Data types (1)

Integer numbers

Java

- byte, short, int, long
- only signed
- fixed size

C/C++

- char, short, int, long
- signed, unsigned
- non-fixed size
- #include <stdint.h>

Real numbers

Java

C/C++

• float, double

• float, double

Booleans

Java

C/C++

• boolean

- bool (C++)
- #include <stdbool.h>(C)

ACP (UA/DETI) SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 6/22

Variables Data types (2)

Characters

Java

char (8-bit interger)

References

char (unicode)

Java

 variables of non primitive types are references to objects

C/C++

C/C++

- pointers (*, &)
- references (&) (C++)

Tuples

Java

- class
- Can contain methods
- nesting by reference

C/C++

- class (C++)
- Can contain methods (C++)
- nesting by value / reference
- struct (public)

ACP (UA/DETI)

SO+FSO-2022/2023

September, 2022

Variables Data types (3)

Arrays

Java

- The [] operator
- An Object
- The length property

C/C++

- The [] operator
- A pointer to an address location
- The sizeof operator (in some cases)

Strings

Java

- String class
- An Object, sequence of char (Unicode code points)
- immutable
- Operator +

C/C++

- An array
- A null-terminated sequence of char (8-bit interger)

ACP (UA/DETI)

Variables Lifetime

static variables

Java

C/C++

- class attributes (static)
- class/struct attributes (static) (only C++)
- locally global attributes (static)
- global attributes

dynamic (heap) variables

Java

C/C++

- new operator
- implicit deletion
- only Object and derivatives
- new operator
- explicit deletion (delete operator)
- any type

automatic (stack) variables

Java

C/C++

- only primitive types (including references)
- any type

ACP (UA/DETI)

SO+FSO-2022/2023

September, 2022

9/22

Variables

Operators (1)

Arithmetic operators

Java

Relational operators

Java

• >, <, >=, <=, ==, !=

Logical operators

Java

- &&, | |, !
- and, or, not (C++)

ACP (UA/DETI) SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 10/22

Variables Operators (2)

Bitwise operators

Java

- &, |, ~ , ^ • <<,>>,>>>

- C/C++
- &, |, ~ , ^
- <<,>>

Assignment operators

Java

- +=, -=, *=, /=, %=
- &=, |=, ^=
- <<=, >>=, >>>=

- C/C++
- +=, -=, *=, /=, %=
- &=, |=, ^=
- <<=, >>=

SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 11/22 ACP (UA/DETI)

Variables

Operators (3)

Ternary operator

Java

C/C++

• ? :

• ? :

accessing tuple fields

Java

C/C++

- ., ->
- &, *
- :: (C++)

Statements Flux control		
Conditional statemer	าts	
Java	C/C++	
• if-then-else	if-then-else	
switch-case	switch-case	
Loop statements		
Java	C/C++	
for	• for	
while	while	
do-while	do-while	
• for-each	• for-each (C++)	
Break statements		
Java	C/C++	
• break, continue	• break, continue	
• break label		
ACP (UA/DETI)	SO+FSO-2022/2023	September, 2022 14/

heritance	
Java	only C++
• simple inheritance (Object)	multiple inheritance
• extends operator	• : operator
00	
ccess modifiers	
Java	only C++
• public	public (default in struct)
• protected	• protected
• private	private (default in class)
package (default)	

ACP (UA/DETI) SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 16/22

Object-oriented features

polymorphism

Java

- function overloading
- function overriding
- final

only C++

- function overloading
- function overriding
- virtual
- operator overloading

ACP (UA/DETI) SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 17/22

Input/Output

Libraries

Java

• import Java.io

C/C++

- #include <stdio.h>
- #include <iostream> (C++)

Standard streams

Java

• System.in

- System.out
- System.err

C/C++

- stdin
- std::cin (C++)
- stdout
- std::cout (C++)
- stderr
- std::cerr (C++)

ACP (UA/DETI) SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 19/22

Functions

Type of functions

Java

methods in classes

C/C++

- methods in classes (C++)
- global functions
- locally global functions (static)
- functions within namespaces (C++)

Arguments to functions

Java

- by value (primitive type)
- by reference (Object type)

C/C++

- by value (any type)
- by pointer (any type)
- by reference (any type) (C++)
- default values (C++)

ACP (UA/DETI) SO+FSO-2022/2023 September, 2022 21/22