

Understanding the JVM

JVM and the main method

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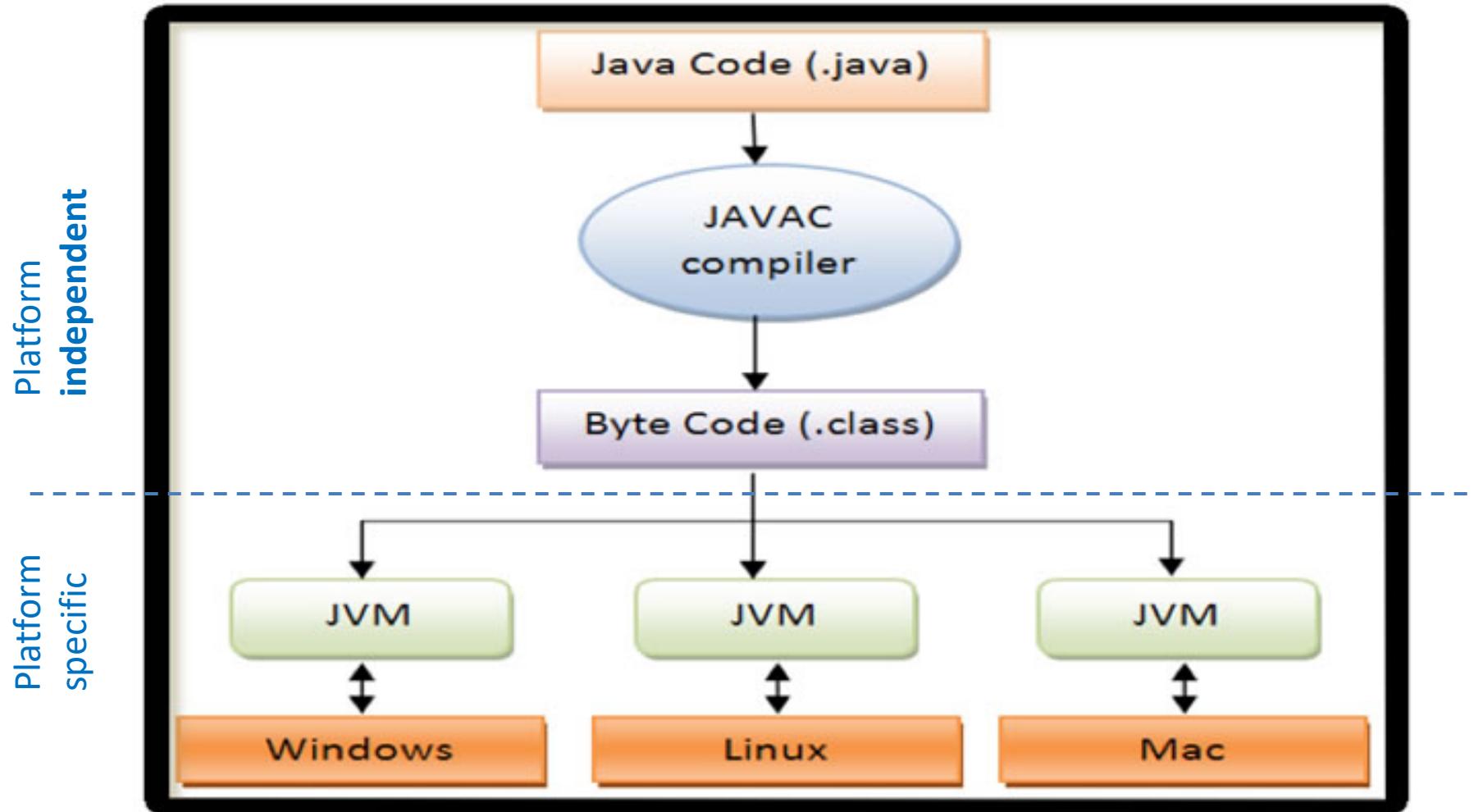
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- 1. Files in Java**
2. Java Virtual Machine (**JVM**)
3. **main()** method
4. Installing **JDK**

Files in Java (1)



Files in Java (2)

- **Java code** is written in **.java** file.
 - code contains one or more Java language constructs
e.g. Classes, Methods, Variable, Objects etc.
- **Compiling** this code generates a **.class** file
- A **.class** file
 - is also known as “**byte code**”
 - it is the input to Java Virtual Machine (JVM)
 - The **JVM** (*for a specific platform*)
 - **reads** this byte code
 - **interprets** it as machine code instructions (*for that platform*)
 - and **executes** the program (*on that platform*)

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Java Virtual Machine (JVM)

- Java Virtual Machine (**JVM**)
 - is a “**virtual**” computer that resides in the “real” computer as a software process.
- The JVM gives Java the flexibility of **platform independence**.
- The **.class** files can be run on any OS, once a JVM has been installed
 - (NB: JVM is installed when you install the JDK).

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main() method

- When you want to run a java project, the Java Virtual Machine (JVM) invokes the **main()** method in the project.
- For the JVM to recognise it, the main() method must have a specific method **signature**.

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    ...
}
```

main() method - signature

- “main” must exist
- “main” must be **public**
- “main” must be **static** (class method)
- “main” must have a **String array parameter**
- Only “main” can be invoked automatically.

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    ...
}
```

main() method

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Driver driver= new Driver();
    driver.runMenu();
}
```

- The main method should
 - create an object
 - call the first method

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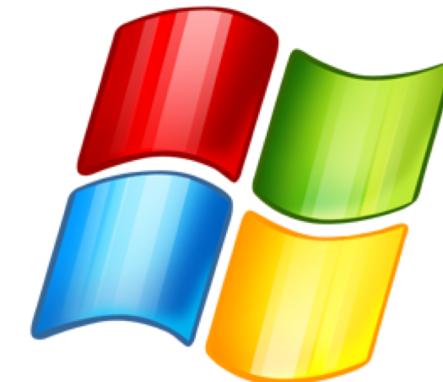
What is a JDK?

- Java Development Kit (**JDK**).
- It includes **tools** for developing Java applications.
- It also includes a Runtime Environment (**JRE**)
 - **JRE** is the implementation of the JVM.
 - It is a subset of the **JDK**
 - **Developers use the JDK, Customers use the JRE**
- Free from **Oracle** website.



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- If you are installing the JDK on a windows platform,
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 - Chrome
 - Microsoft Edge



Note

- If you are installing the JDK on the OSX platform,
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 - Firefox
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JDK Versions

- Software is constantly changing.
- Software depends on other software, that is constantly changing!
- Ordinarily we use the latest versions of everything
but there are times when we want to use specific versions
(for compatibility)
- Mar 2019 - 2 versions are listed from the ORACLE JAVA site
 - JDK ver 8
 - JDK ver 11
- Any version is fine for Programming Fundamentals
- Ver 11 is incompatible with the tools used in Web Development
- Ver 1.8.202 and Ver 10 are compatible with the tools used in Web Development

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We are using:

JDK version 8 (i.e. 1.8.202)

OR

JDK version 10

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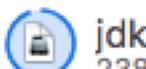


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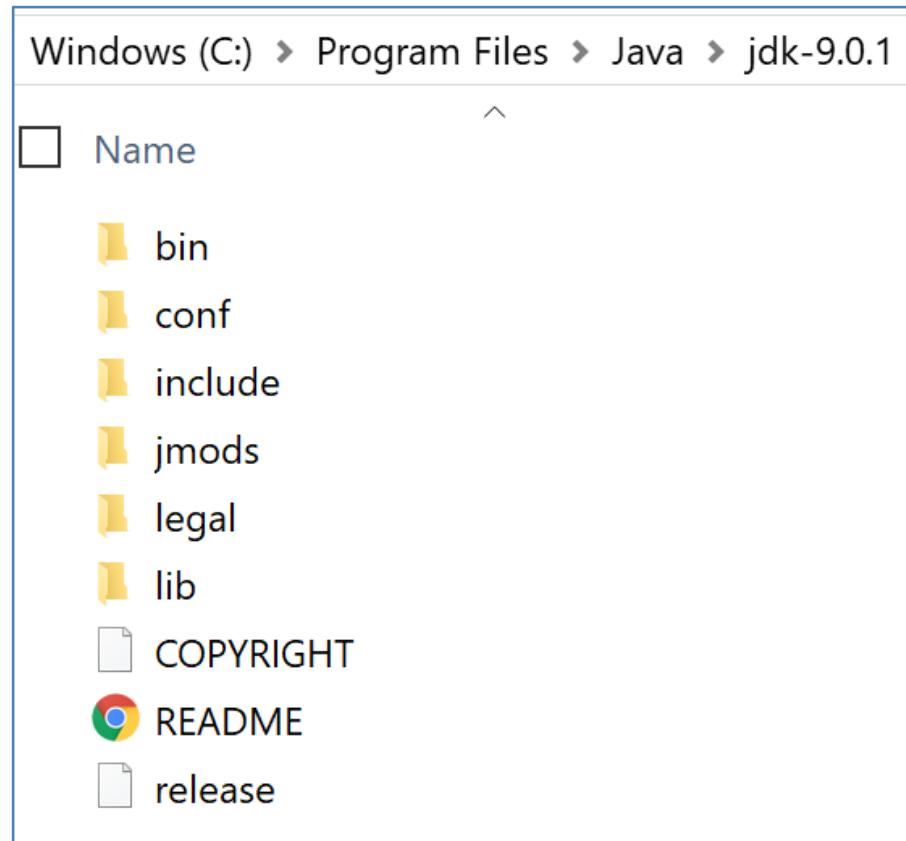
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- Search for “JDK ver 10”
- Download and install as highlighted on previous slides

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In the terminal:

```
java -version
```

returns

```
java version "1.8.0_162"
```

In the terminal:

```
/usr/libexec/java_home -v
```

returns

Matching Java Virtual Machines(1):

```
1.8.0_162, x86_64: "Java SE 8"
```

```
/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/jdk1.8.0_162.jdk/Contents/Home
```

Uninstalling JDK 9+ on OSX

In the terminal:

- `sudo rm -fr /Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/jdk-9.jdk/`
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