

cis20.1  
design and implementation of software applications I  
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lecture # 1.2

**topics:**

- introduction to java, part 1

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Java.

- Java is an *object-oriented* language: it is structured around *objects* and *methods*, where a method is an action or something you do with the object
- Java programs are divided into entities called *classes*
- some Java classes are *native*  
but you can also write classes yourself
- Java programs can run as *applications* or *applets*

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our first application.

"hello world"

- typical first program in any language
- output only (no input)

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the application source code.

```
file name = hello.java
-----
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This class demonstrates output from a Java application.
-----
public class hello {
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {
        System.out.println( "hello world!\n" );
    } // end of main()
} // end of class hello()
```

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output.

- *methods*

```
System.out.println( )  
System.out.print( )
```

- *arguments*

- those things inside the parenthesis ( )
- one or more Strings, separated by "+" 's
- escape sequences: \n, \t
- also called *parameters*

- *example*

```
System.out.println( "The quick" + ", brown " + "fox" );
```

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things to notice.

- Java is CASE sensitive

- punctuation is really important!

- whitespace doesn't matter for compilation

- *BUT* whitespace DOES matter for readability and your grade!

- file name is same as class name

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data types and storage.

- programs = objects + methods
- objects = data
- data must be *stored*
- all storage is numeric (0's and 1's)

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memory.

- think of the computer's memory as a bunch of boxes

- inside each box, there is a number

- you give each box a name  
⇒ defining a *variable*

- *example:*

*program code:*

```
int x;
```

*computer's memory:*

x →

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variables.

- variables have:
  - name
  - type
  - value
- naming rules:
  - names may contain letters and/or numbers
  - but cannot begin with a number
  - names may also contain underscore (\_) and dollar sign (\$)
  - underscore is used frequently; dollar sign is not too common in Java
  - can be of any length
  - cannot use Java keywords
  - Java is *case-sensitive!!*

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primitive data types.

- numeric

byte	8 bits	$-128 = -2^7$	$127 = 2^7 - 1$
short	16 bits	$-32,768 = -2^{15}$	$32,767 = 2^{15} - 1$
int	32 bits	$-2^{31}$	$2^{31} - 1$
long	64 bits	$-2^{62}$	$2^{63} - 1$
float	32 bits	$\approx -3.4E+38, 7 \text{ sig dig}$	$\approx 3.4E+38, 7 \text{ sig dig}$
double	64 bits	$\approx -1.7E+308, 15 \text{ sig dig}$	$\approx 1.7E+308, 15 \text{ sig dig}$

- boolean

boolean	1 bit
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- character

char	16 bits
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assignment.

- = is the assignment operator
- example:

*program code:*                           *computer's memory:*  
int x; // declaration                       x → [19]  
x = 19; // assignment  
  
or  
  
int x = 19;

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Strings.

- a String in Java is a special data type — it's called a *wrapper class* (which we'll talk about in detail later)
- a String is essentially a group of chars
- it comes with a *method* called `length()` that lets you find out how many characters are in the string (i.e., how long it is)
- it comes with a number of other methods, which we'll talk about later
- a char has single quotes around it  
  
`char c = 'A';`
- a String has double quotes around it  
  
`String s = "hello world!";`
- in this case, the method `s.length()` returns 12

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## mathematical operators.

example:

+	unary plus
-	unary minus
+	addition
-	subtraction
*	multiplication
/	division
%	modulo

```
int x, y;  
x = -5;  
y = x * 7;  
y = y + 3;  
x = x * -2;  
y = x / 19;
```

what are x and y equal to?

modulo means "remainder after integer division"

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## coercion or type casting.

- remember from last time: data of type char is stored as a number — which is really an index into the ASCII table

- a declaration like this:

```
char y = 'A';
```

really stores a 65 (the ASCII value of 'A') in a memory location that is labeled y

- you can do math on that 65 by *coercing* (aka *type casting*) the char to an int

- for example:

```
char y = 'A'; // initialize variable y to store an A  
int x = (int)y; // initialize variable x to store 65  
x = x + 1; // increment x (to 66)  
y = (char)x; // coerce x from an int to a char ('B')
```

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## increment and decrement operators.

- increment: ++

```
i++;
```

is the same as:

```
i = i + 1;
```

- decrement: --

```
i--;
```

is the same as:

```
i = i - 1;
```

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## assignment operators.

+=

i += 3; is the same as: i = i + 3;

-=

i -= 3; is the same as: i = i - 3;

\*=

i \*= 3; is the same as: i = i \* 3;

/=

i /= 3; is the same as: i = i / 3;

%=

i %= 3; is the same as: i = i % 3;

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## boolean expressions.

- boolean variables: true (1) or false (0)
- logical operators:

!	not
&&	and
	or

example:

```
boolean x, y;
x = true;
y = false;
System.out.println( "x && y = " + ( x && y )); // outputs false
System.out.println( "x || y = " + ( x || y )); // outputs true
System.out.println( "x && !y = " + ( x && !y )); // outputs false
```

## truth tables.

a	!a
false	true
true	false

a	b	a && b
true	true	true
true	false	false
false	true	false
false	false	false

a	b	a    b
true	true	true
true	false	true
false	true	true
false	false	false

## relational operators.

example:

```
int x, y;
x = -5;
y = 7;
```

some truths:

( x < y )	true
( x == y )	false
( x >= y )	false

==	equality
!=	inequality
>	greater than
<	less than
>=	greater than or equal to
<=	Less than or equal to

## the if branching statement.

```
if ( x < y ) {
    x = y;
}
else {
    x = 91;
}
```

### the if branching statement (1).

there are four forms:

(1) simple if

```
if ( x < 0 ) {  
    System.out.println( "x is negative\n" );  
} // end if x < 0
```

(2) if/else

```
if ( x < 0 ) {  
    System.out.println( "x is negative\n" );  
} // end if x < 0  
else {  
    System.out.println( "x is not negative\n" );  
} // end else x >= 0
```

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### the if branching statement (2).

(3) if/else if

```
if ( x < 0 ) {  
    System.out.println( "x is negative\n" );  
} // end if x < 0  
else if ( x > 0 ) {  
    System.out.println( "x is positive\n" );  
} // end if x > 0  
else {  
    System.out.println( "x is zero\n" );  
} // end else x == 0
```

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### the if branching statement (3).

(4) nested if

you can nest any kind/number of if's

```
if ( x < 0 ) {  
    System.out.println( "x is negative\n" );  
} // end if x < 0  
else {  
    if ( x > 0 ) {  
        System.out.println( "x is positive\n" );  
    } // end if x > 0  
    else {  
        System.out.println( "x is zero\n" );  
    } // end else x == 0  
} // end else x >= 0
```

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### System.exit() (1)

- a *method* in class `java.lang.System`

- definition:

```
public static void exit( int status );
```

- terminates the currently running Java Virtual Machine
- the argument serves as a status code — by convention, a nonzero status code indicates abnormal termination
- use at the end of a program to exit cleanly or to terminate in the middle

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System.exit() (2)

```
import java.lang.*;  
  
public class ex_exit {  
  
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {  
        if ( args.length < 3 ) {  
            System.out.println( "usage: java ex_exit <a> <b> <c>" );  
            System.exit( 1 ); // abnormal termination  
        }  
        // ... rest of program goes here ...  
        System.exit( 0 ); // normal termination  
    } // end of main()  
  
} // end of class ex_exit
```