

CISC 370: Introduction to Java

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... and, why should I learn it?


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... and, why should I learn it?

- From Sun Microsystems 
 - 1995, James Gosling and Patrick Naughton
 - Specifications
- Develop cross-platform applications
 - Web, desktop, embedded
- Object-oriented
- Simpler than C++
- Rich and **large** library



What to Expect from this Class

- Programming intensive
 - Interesting assignments and projects
 - More freedom in design
 - Building on large library of classes
- Compare/Contrast with C++
- Learning on your own
 - Online resources

Class Details

- Tuesday, Thursday lectures
 - Quiz at beginning of each Tuesday class
 - See web page for example code, lecture slides
- Expected Participation
- Optional Textbooks
 - Use plentiful online resources instead!

Class Details

- Weekly Programming Assignments
 - Due one week after assigned
- 2 Projects
 - Demos with TA and me
- 1 Exam
 - Final: TBD but August 11ish
- Course Project Manager
 - <https://128.4.133.74:8080/scheduler/group.html>
 - For viewing grades and scheduling demos

Course Dynamics

- Professor's Responsibilities:
 - Be prepared for class
 - Correct students non-judgmentally
 - Treat students with respect
 - Challenge and encourage students
 - Make class material as clear as possible
- Student's Responsibilities:
 - Be prepared for class (do readings and homework)
 - Give attention and effort in class to learning
 - Ask questions (**during class** and via email)
 - Use professor's and TA's office hours when you're having trouble
 - Let professor know if something is going wrong
 - Treat other students, TA, and professor with respect

Survey Says...

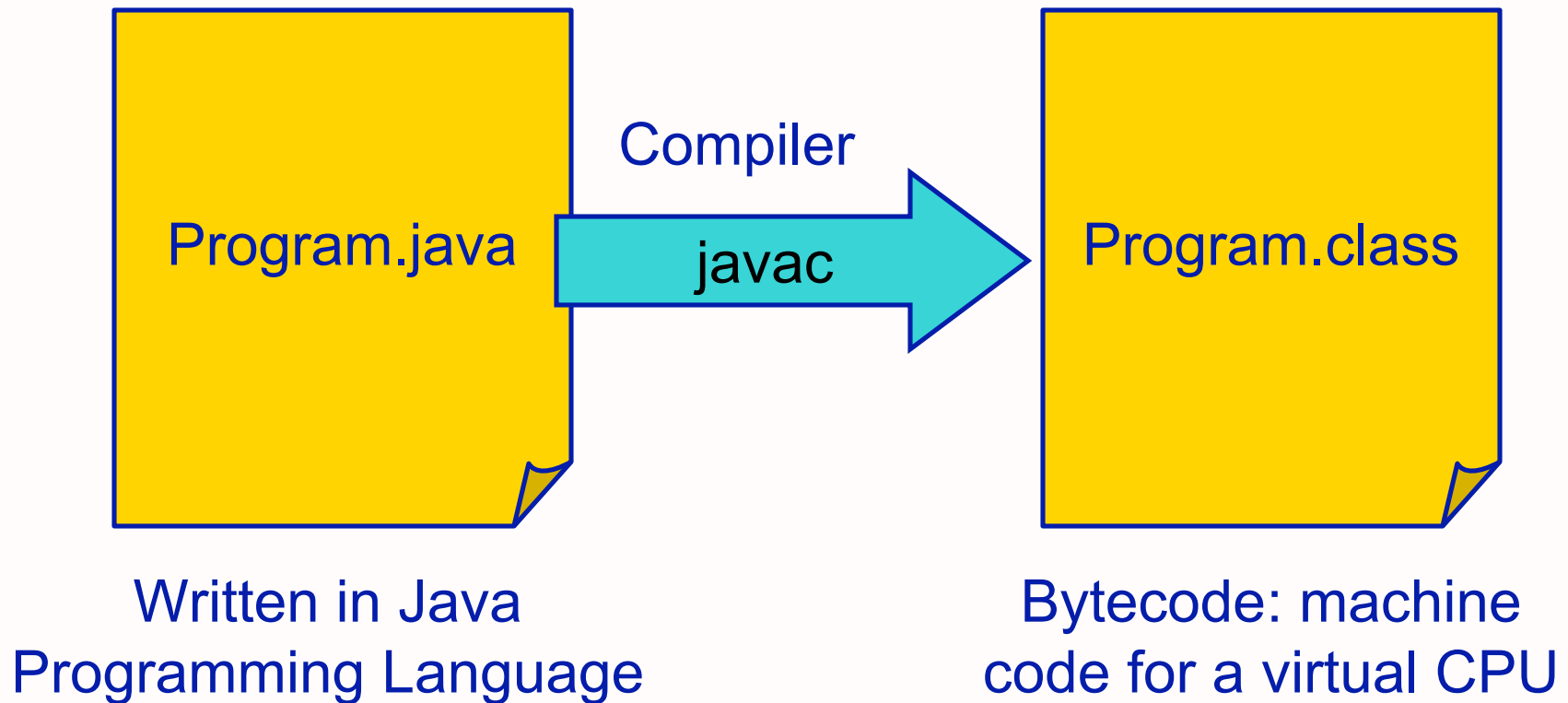
- More about you!

What is Java?

- Java Programming Language
- Java Virtual Machine
- Java Class Libraries

Java Programming Language

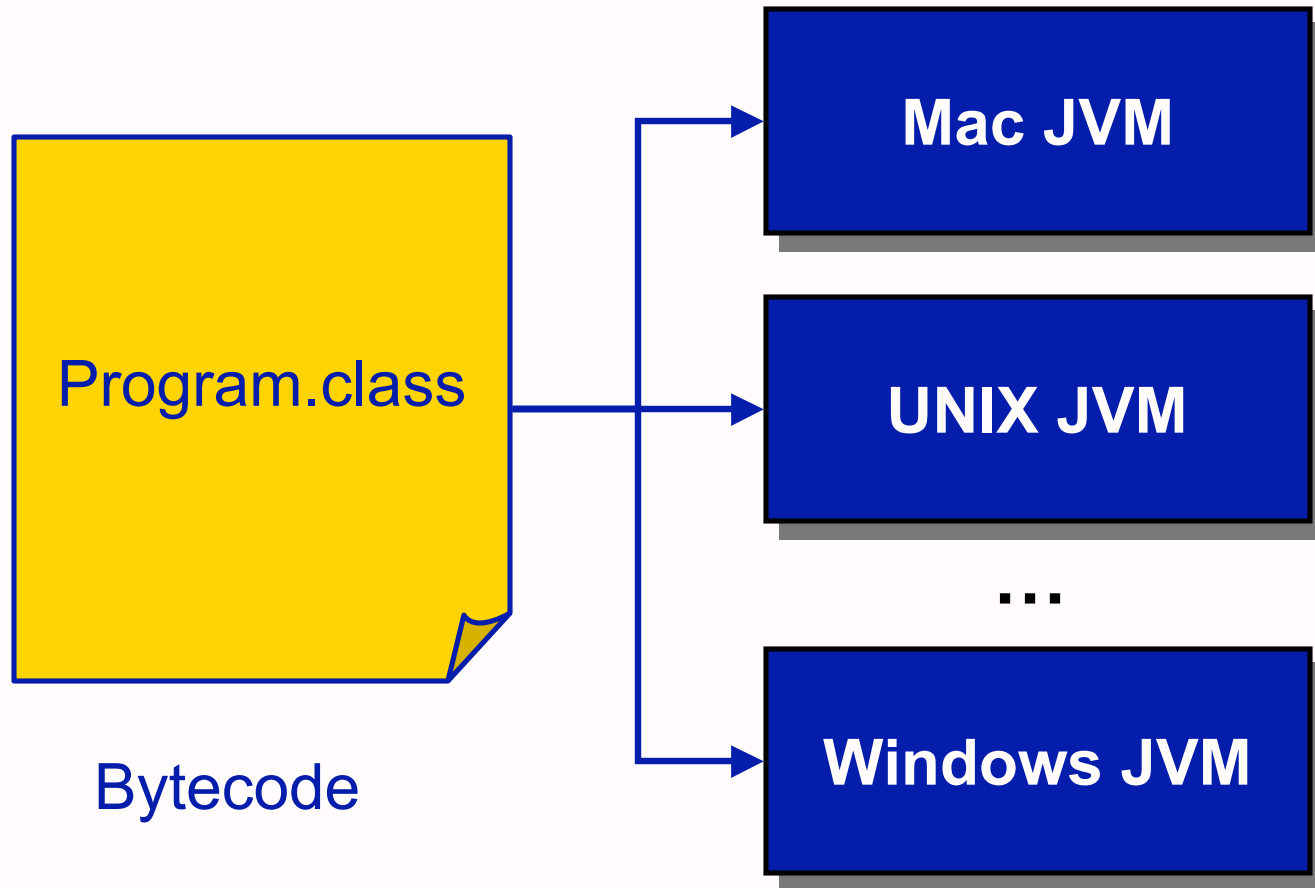
- Entirely object-oriented
- Similar to C++



Java Virtual Machine (JVM)

- Emulates the CPU, usually specified in software
- Executes the program's bytecode
 - Bytecode: virtual machine code
- Different versions for each platform Java supports
 - program portability

Java Virtual Machine (JVM)



- Same bytecode executes on each platform
 - What happens in C++?

Java Class Libraries

- Pre-defined classes
 - Included with the Java 2 Software Development Kit (SDK) and the Java 2 Runtime Environment (JRE)
 - View the available classes online:
<http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/api/index.html>
- Similar in purpose to library functions included with ANSI C

Benefits of Java

- Rapid development of programs
 - Large library of classes, including GUIs
- Portability
 - run program on multiple platforms without recompiling

Which 'Java' is this class about?

- Java programming language
- Java class libraries

- Use the JVM but won't learn about how it works
 - For more information:
<http://java.sun.com/docs/books/vmspec/>

Java Development Kit (J2SDK)

- J2SDK: Java 2 Software Development Kit
- Free from Sun
- Contains
 - javac: Java compiler
 - java: Java Virtual Machine
 - Java class libraries

Java Development Kit (J2SDK)

- Installed on strauss
 - Java 1.5 should be reachable using default path
 - If not, add `/usr/java1.5/bin` to your path
 - <http://www.udel.edu/topics/os/unix/package/java/>
- Run `java -version` to determine which version you're running
- You can download the JDK for your machine from <http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/download.jsp>
 - JRE is for running Java applications
 - does not include the compiler

Summary of Java Platform SE 5.0

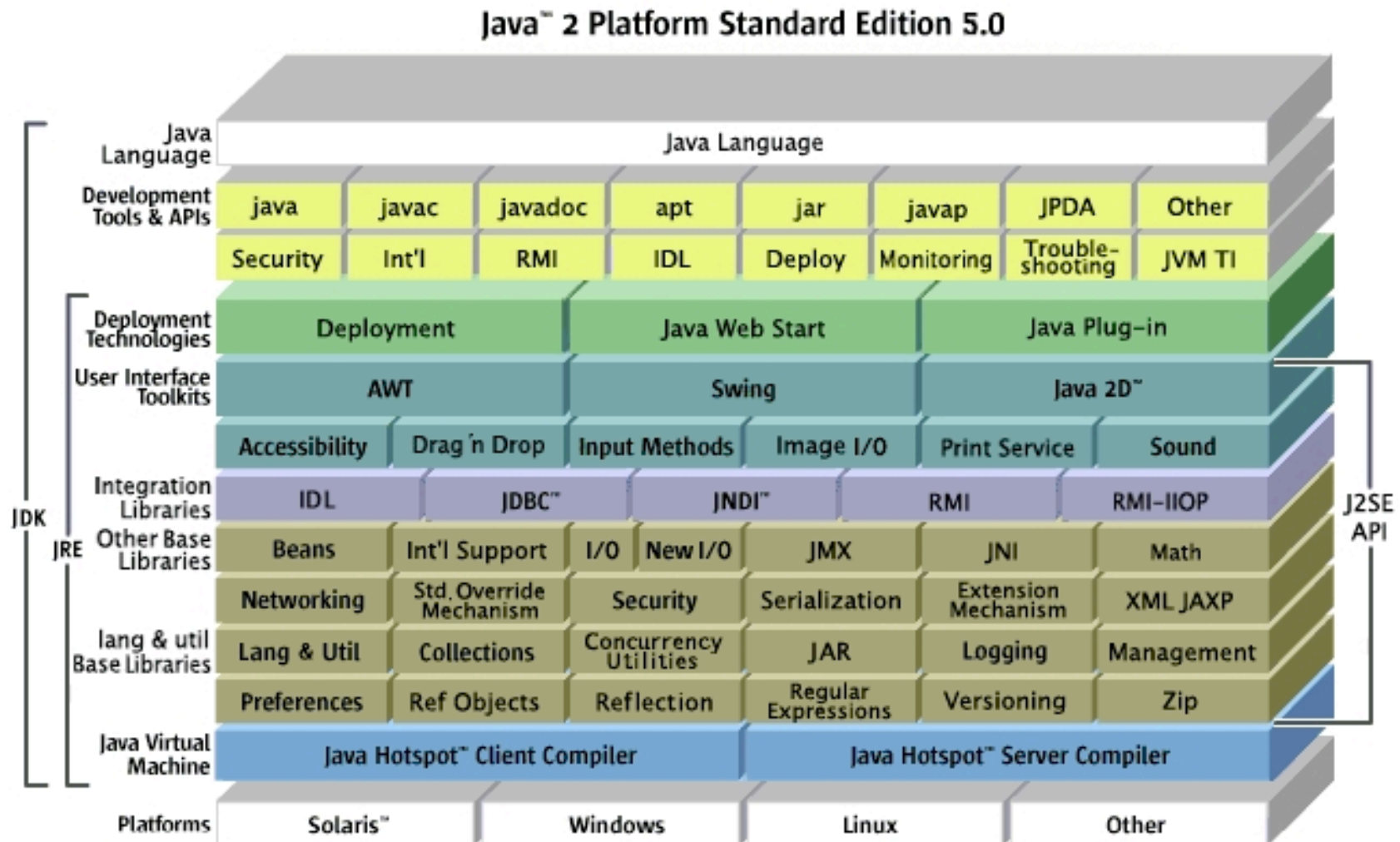


Image from Sun's site

Using the J2SDK

- Compile and run TestProgram.java
 - `javac TestProgram.java`
 - Compiles the program into `TestProgram.class`
 - `java TestProgram`
 - Runs the JVM, which executes the bytecode

Intro to Java Programming Language

- Examples
- Data types
- Control structures

First Java Program

```
public class Hello
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println("Hello");
    }
}
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- Everything in Java is inside a class
 - This class is named "Hello"

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Access Modifier:

controls if other classes can use code in this class

First Java Program

```
public class Hello
```

```
{  
    public static void main(String[] args)  
    {  
        System.out.println("Hello");  
    }  
}
```

Defines the class "Hello"

First Java Program

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public class Hello  
{
```

```
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    }  
}
```

method

- Class contains one method
 - Functions are called **methods** in Java

First Java Program

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    }
}
```

- **main** methods

- Similar to **main** in C++
- Takes one parameter: an array of Strings
- Must be “**public static**”
- Must be void: returns nothing

First Java Program

```
public class Hello
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println("Hello");
    }
}
```

- Method contains one line of code
 - What do you think it does?

First Java Program

```
public class Hello
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println("Hello");
    }
}
```

- Calls the **println** method on the **System.out** object
- **println** takes one parameter, a String
- Displays string on terminal, terminates the line with new line (\n) character

First Java Program

```
/*  
Our first Java program  
*/  
public class Hello  
{  
    public static void main(String[] args)  
    {  
        // Print a message  
        System.out.println("Hello");  
    }  
}
```

- **Comments: same as C++**

➤ `/* */` or `//`

Java Fundamentals



Java keywords/reserved words

- Case-sensitive
- Can't be used for variable or class names
- Many same as in C/C++
- Seen so far ...
 - `public`
 - `class`
 - `static`
 - `void`
- **Exhaustive list**
http://java.sun.com/docs/books/tutorial/java/nutsandbolts/_keywords.html

Data Types

- Java is *strongly-typed*
 - Every variable must be a declared type
- All data in Java is an *object* except for the **primitive** data types
 - **int** – 4 bytes (-2,147,483,648 -> 2,147,483,647)
 - **short** – 2 bytes (-32,768 -> 32,767)
 - **long** – 8 bytes (really big integers)
 - **byte** – 1 byte (-128 -> 127)
 - **float** – 4 bytes (floating point)
 - **double** – 8 bytes (floating point)
 - **char** – 2 bytes (Unicode representation)
 - **boolean** – `false` or `true`

Variables

- Declared and initialized same as C and C++
- Typically, names start with lowercase letter
 - ‘_’ also a valid first character
 - Convention: Subsequent words are capitalized
 - Called “Camel Casing”
- Examples:
 - `int x;`
 - `double pi = 3.14;` Camel Casing 
 - `char q = 'p';`
 - `boolean isValid = false;` 

More Data Type Information

- Default data types
 - Result of integer division is an `int`
 - Same as C++
 - Example: $1 / 2 = ??$
- Casting
 - Same as C++ for primitive types
 - Example: `1 / (double) 2`

Constants

- Read-only variables
 - Cannot be assigned new value
- Keyword `final` precedes data type

```
final double CM_PER_INCH = 2.540;
```

What was the equivalent keyword in C++?

Class Constants

- Constant variable for all methods in class or for multiple classes
- Much more common than constant instance variables
- Requires `static` keyword
 - `static`: “for whole class”
 - Also used for methods (will see later)

```
public static final double CM_PER_IN = 2.540;
```

Operators

- Java has most of the same operators as C and C++:
 - +, -, *, /, % (add, subtract, multiple, divide, modulus)
 - ++ and -- (increment and decrement)
 - ==, !=, <, >, <=, >= (relational operators, evaluate to a `boolean` value)
 - &&, ||, ! (logical operators: AND, OR, NOT)
 - &, |, ^, ~ (bitwise AND, OR, XOR, NOT)

Mathematical Functions and Constants

- `java.lang.Math` class
 - Similar to `<math.h>`
 - Included in the Java class libraries in the JDK
 - Included by default in every Java program
 - Includes useful mathematical functions (methods) and related constants (`final` values):
 - `double y = Math.pow(x, a);`
 - `double z = Math.sin(y);`
 - `double d = Math.exp(4.59) * Math.PI;`
- Look at `java.lang.Math` API online

Java API Documentation

- **API:** Application Programming Interface
 - What the class can do for YOU!
- Complete documentation on every class included with the JDK and on every method and variable contained within each class.
<http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/api/>
- **Bookmark it!**
 - Too many classes, methods to remember them all
 - Refer to it often

Strings

- Java makes strings very easy, compared to C, C++, and many other languages.
- The Java class libraries include a predefined 'String' class in `java.lang.String`
 - All `java.lang` classes are automatically included in Java programs

Strings

- Strings are represented by double quotes: ""
- Examples:

```
String emptyString = "";
```

```
String niceGreeting = "Hello there.";
```

```
String badGreeting = "What do you want?";
```

Note that you don't need to specify the String's size

String Concatenation

- Use '+' operator to concatenate Strings

```
String niceGreeting = "Hello";  
String firstName = "Clark";  
String lastName = "Kent";  
String blankSpace = " ";
```

```
String greeting = niceGreeting + ", " +  
    blankSpace + firstName +  
    blankSpace + lastName;
```

```
System.out.println(greeting);
```

Prints "Hello, Clark Kent"

String Concatenation

- If a string is concatenated with something that is not a string, the other variable is converted to a string.

```
int totalPoints = 110;  
int earnedPoints = 87;  
float testScore =  
    (float)earnedPoints/totalPoints;
```

```
System.out.println("Your score is " +  
    testScore);
```

String methods: `substring`

- **String `substring(int beginIndex)`**
 - Returns a new string that is a substring of this string, from `beginIndex` through end of this string
- **String `substring(int beginIndex, int endIndex)`**
 - Returns a new string that is a substring of this string, from `beginIndex` to `endIndex`

```
String greeting = "Hello, Clark Kent!";  
String subStr = greeting.substring(7);  
String subStr2 = greeting.substring(7, 11);
```

String methods: `equals`

- **boolean `equals(Object anObject)`**
 - **Compares this string to the specified object**

```
String string1 = "Hello";  
String string2 = "hello";  
boolean test;  
test = string1.equals(string2);
```
- **`test` is false because the strings are different**

String methods: `equal`

- `string1 == string2` will **not** yield the same result
 - Tests if the **objects** are the same
 - Not if the **contents** of the objects are the same

String methods: equalsIgnoreCase

- Does what it's named!

```
String string1 = "Hello";
```

```
String string2 = "hello";
```

```
boolean test;
```

```
test = string1.equalsIgnoreCase(string2);
```

- test is true!

String methods: `charAt`

- A String is a collection of characters

```
String testString1;  
testString1 = "Demonstrate Strings";  
  
char character1;  
char character2 = testString1.charAt(3);  
character1 = testString1.charAt(2);
```


String methods: and many more!

- boolean `endsWith(String suffix)`
- boolean `startsWith(String prefix)`
- `length()`
- `toLowerCase()`
- `trim()`: remove trailing and leading white space
- ...
- See Java API for `java.lang.String` for all

Control Structures

Control Flow: Conditional Statements

- **if statement**

Condition must evaluate to a boolean
(booleans are not ints in Java)

```
if (purchaseAmount < availableCredit)
{
    availableCredit = availableCredit -
        purchaseAmount;
    System.out.println("Approved");
}
else
    System.out.println("Denied");
```

Control Flow: Conditional Statements

- **if statement**

```
if (purchaseAmount < availableCredit)
```

```
{  
    availableCredit = availableCredit -  
        purchaseAmount;  
    System.out.println("Approved");  
}
```

Block of code

```
else
```

```
    System.out.println("Denied");
```

Blocks of Code

- Everything between { } is a block of code
 - Has an associated **scope**

Control Flow: Conditional Statements

- **switch** statement

```
int x = 3;
switch(x) {
    case (1) :
        System.out.println("It's a 1.");
        break;
    case (2) :
        System.out.println("It's a 2.");
        break;
    default:
        System.out.println("Not a 1 or 2.");
}
```

Control Flow: while Loops

```
int counter = 0;
while (counter < 10)
{
    System.out.println(counter);
    counter++;
}
System.out.println("Done.");
```

Control Flow: do-while loop

- Loop runs at least once

```
int counter = 0;
do {
    System.out.println(counter);
    counter++;
} while (counter < 10);
```


Control Flow: for Loop

```
for (int count=10; count >= 1; count--)  
{  
    System.out.println("Counting down..." +  
        count);  
}  
System.out.println("Blastoff!");
```

Control Flow: foreach Loop

- New to Java 1.5
 - Sun calls “enhanced for” loop
- Iterate over all elements in an array (or Collection)
- Simple, easy-to-read form

```
int[] a;
```

```
int result = 0;
```

```
    . . .
```

```
for (int i : a)    for each int element i in the array a
```

```
{
```

```
    result += i;    The loop body is visited once for each
```


```
}
```

```
    value of i.
```

Changing control flow: `break`

- In general, I do **not** recommend using `break`
 - But, you should know it for reading other people's code
- Exits the current loop

```
while ( <readingdata> ) {  
    ...  
    if( data is null ) { // shouldn't happen  
        break;  
    }  
}
```



Changing control flow: labeled `break`

- Does not exist in C++
- Add a label to a block of code

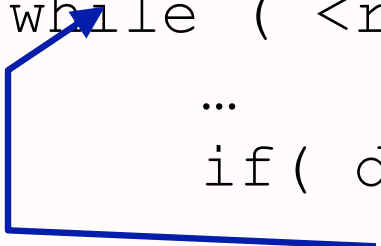
tagged_loop:

```
while ( <readingdata> ) {  
    ...  
    for ( ) { // not tagged  
        if( error condition ) {  
            // get out of both loops  
            break tagged_loop;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Changing control flow: `continue`

- Jump to the next iteration of the loop

```
while ( <readingdata> ) {  
    ...  
    if( data is null ) { // shouldn't happen  
        continue;  
    }  
    doStuff();  
}
```



Alternative way to write code without using `continue`?

Arrays

- To declare an array of integers:

```
int[] arrayOfInts;
```

- declaration makes only a variable named `arrayOfInts`
- does not initialize array or allocate memory for the elements

- To declare *and initialize* array of integers:

```
int[] arrayOfInts = new int[100];
```

Array Initialization

- Initialize an array at its declaration:

```
int [] fibNumbs = {1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13};
```

- Note that we do not use the `new` keyword when allocating and initializing an array in this manner

Array Length

- All array variables have a **field** called `length`

```
int[] array = new int[10];  
for (int a = 0; a < array.length; a++)  
{  
    array[a] = 6;  
}  
for (int a = 0; a < array.length; a++)  
{  
    System.out.println(array [a]);  
}
```


Overstepping Array Length

- Java safeguards against overstepping length of array
 - Runtime Exception: “Array index out of bounds”
 - More on exceptions later...

```
int[] arrayOfInts = new int[100];
```

- Attempts to access or write to index < 0 or index $\geq \text{array.length}$ (100) will generate exception

Array Copying

- It is possible to copy one array variable into another, but then both variables refer to the same array

➤ like manipulating pointers in C++

```
int [] fibNumbs = {1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13};  
int [] otherFibNumbs;
```

```
otherFibNumbs = fibNumbs;  
otherFibNumbs[2] = 99;
```

*fibNumbs[2] and
otherFibNumbs[2]
are both equal to 99.*

```
System.out.println(otherFibNumbs[2]);  
System.out.println(fibNumbs[2]);
```

Array Copying

- The copying of an array (element-by-element) can be done using the `arraycopy` method in the `System` class

```
System.arraycopy(from, fromIndex, to, toIndex,  
count);
```

- For example:

```
int [] fibNumbs = {1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13};  
int [] otherFibNumbs = new int[7];  
System.arraycopy(fibNumbs, 0, otherFibNumbs, 0, 7);  
otherFibNumbs[2] = 99;  
System.out.println(otherFibNumbs[2]);  
System.out.println(fibNumbs[2]);
```

`fibNumbs[2] = 2,`
`otherFibNumbs[2] = 99`

Arrays: Java vs C++

```
int[] array = new int[100]; // Java
```

is not the same as:

```
int array[100]; // C++
```

but is the same as:

```
int * array = new int[100] // C++
```

- `array` variable is the same as a pointer that points to the beginning of an array in C++.