Hello, World!

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Special Characters and Commenting

What Is a Computer Program?

A **program** is a list of **instructions**, which are actions to be performed on the machine on which the program is running

A program embodies an **algorithm**, which an abstract idea about how to solve the task at hand

An **instruction** can be described at various levels of specificities to the machine on which the program is to run

The Digital Number Representation

In programming environments, the numbers are often represented using either the binary encoding or the hexadecimal encoding

- **Binary Encoding**: the denominations are powers of 2 and at each position the number is either 0 or 1
- Hexidecimal Encoding: the denominations are powers of 16 and at each position the number is one of 0 .. 9 and A .. F, where A F correspond to 10 15

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Digital Number Examples

Decimal	Binary	Hexadecimal	
0	0	0	
10	1010	A	
11	1011	В	
12	1100	С	
13	1101	D	
14	1100	E	
15	1111	F	
99	1100011	63	
100	1100100	64	
127	1111111	7F	
128	10000000	80	

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Memory Sizes

A group of 8 bits is called a **byte** Memory units are counted in thousands (or 2¹⁰)

Name	2 to the power of		
Kilobytes	2 ¹⁰		
Megabytes	2 ²⁰		
Gigabytes	2 ³⁰		
Terabytes	2 ⁴⁰		
Petabytes	2 ⁵⁰		

Java Virtual Machine

Java Virtual Machine (JVM) is a program that provides a machine-like environment in which to run Java bytecodes, the kind of program exclusively designed for Java

To run Java bytecodes you need Java runtime, a program that runs on JVM

The Software Layers



Advantages of Using Java

- A large number of Java libraries that can be used in other Java programs
- Much information and help available on the Internet (e.g., Stack Exchange)

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- IDEs combine the first two steps into one
- In a shell environment, the second step is accomplished by executing a line command javac

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A **class** is a building block of Java programs This code specifies that "HelloWorld" is a class

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% javac HelloWorld.java
% java HelloWorld
Hello, World!
%
```

Here % is the shell's output to indicate the start of a new command, called **prompt**

Structure of a Class

```
public class <name> {
    <method>
    <method>
    ...
    <method>
}
```

A method is a named block of code

The main in the example is a method has attributes public, static, and void and has a parameter String[] args to run with

The class name should be followed by a pair of curly brackets in which the contents appear

Each method name followed by a pair of curly brackets in which the contents appear

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System.out.println

- System.out.println is a method that produces a line of output on the screen by printing the thing inside the parentheses that follow
- A character sequence when sandwiched by a pair of double quotation marks is called a **String literal**

Structure of a Method

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

A statement is an executable unit

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4 5

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A Program with Multiple Statements

```
public class HelloWorld2 {
   public static void main ( String[] args ) {
     System.out.println( "Hello, World!" );
     System.out.println( "Hello, Class!" );
     System.out.println();
     System.out.println( "This is the fourth line of output." );
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The program has four statements, which are executed in the order of appearance

Statements must end with a semicolon

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System.out.print

System.out.print is a cousin to System.out.println that does not complete the line ... the output ends at the last character

```
public class RowRow {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.print( "Row, " );
        System.out.print( "row, " );
        System.out.println( "row your boat" );
        System.out.println( "Gently down the stream" );
        System.out.print( "Merrily, " );
        System.out.print( "merrily, " );
        System.out.print( "merrily, " );
        System.out.print( "merrily, " );
        System.out.println( "Life is but a dream" );
    }
}
```





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List of Reserved Words

Reserved words cannot be used for identifier (name for a method, a class, or a variable)

abstract	default	if	private	this
boolean	do	implements	protected	throw
break	double	import	public	throws
byte	else	instanceof	return	transient
case	extends	int	short	try
catch	final	interface	static	void
char	finally	long	strictfp	volatile
class	float	native	super	while
const	for	new	switch	
continue	goto	package	synchronized	



- Errors that are found where the code is not in the format that the Java compiler expects
- The execution of compilation (javac) informs of the error, for example:
 - Spelling errors
 - Use of reserved words
 - Unbalanced braces
 - Incomplete comments
 - Missing semicolons
 - Missing magic word "static"

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Buggy Hello World

```
1
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```

```
public class BuggyHelloWorld
public static void main( String[] args ) {
   System.out.pritnln( "Hello, World! );
   System.out.printin( Hello, Class!" );
   System.out.printin( "Hello, its' me!" ):
   }
}
```

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Buggy Hello World

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Missing {

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Colon instead of semicolon

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Extra }

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```
public class BuggyHelloWorld
BuggyHelloWorld.java:3: error: unclosed string literal
    System.out.pritnln( "Hello, World! );
BuggyHelloWorld.java:3: error: ';' expected
    System.out.pritnln( "Hello, World! );
BuggyHelloWorld.java:4: error: illegal start of expression
    System.out.printin( Hello, Class!" );
          .
BuggyHelloWorld.java:4: error: ';' expected
    System.out.printin( Hello, Class!" );
BuggyHelloWorld.java:4: error: ')' expected
    System.out.printin( Hello, Class!" );
BuggyHelloWorld.java:4: error: unclosed string literal
    System.out.printin( Hello, Class!" );
BuggyHelloWorld.java:5: error: ';' expected
    System.out.printin( "Hello, its' me!" ):
BuggyHelloWorld.java:5: error: ';' expected
    System.out.printin( "Hello, its' me!" ):
BuggyHelloWorld.java:8: error: class, interface, or enum expected
}
10 errors
```

How to deal with compilation errors

- It is often the case that one typo causes multiple error messages
- Find the very first error message and fix the error

Two Other Types of Errors

- Runtime errors : generated during the execution of the code
 - Not naming the main method "main"
- Logic Errors : due to errors in logic for architecting the code; do not necessarily generate runtime errors; the results are different from those that are anticipated

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White Space Can Be Inserted Pretty Much Everywhere

Normal-looking use of white space:

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   }
}
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Insertion of White space

Whitespace, tab, and newline characters can be added surrounding identifiers, attributes, and other symbols (parentheses, single-letter math signs, punctuations)

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





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• System.out.println("\\"); does it.



Within a String literal, \" and \\ respectively represent the double quotation mark and the backslash character, e.g., "She said, \"How are you?\""

Also, t and n respectively represent the tab and the linefeed (in the case of Unix, Linux, and Mac OS X n works fine)

Printing Some Text with Quotes

```
public class HuckleberryFinn {
1
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       public static void main(String[] args) {
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         System.out.println("\\Quoted from Huckleberry Finn\\");
 4
         System.out.println("I broke in and says:");
5
         System.out.println("\"They're in an awful peck of trouble, and\"");
6
7
         System.out.println("\"Who is?\"");
         System.out.println("\"Why, pap and mam and sis and Miss Hooker;");
8
         System.out.println("\tand if you'd take your ferryboat" );
9
         System.out.println("\tand go up there\"");
10
         System.out.println("\"Up where? Where are thev?\"");
11
         System.out.println("\"On the wreck.\"");
12
         System.out.println("\"What wreck?\"");
13
         System.out.println("\"Why, there ain't but one.\"");
14
         System.out.println("\"What, you don't mean the Walter Scott?\"");
15
         System.out.println("\"Yes.\"");
16
         System.out.println("\"Good land! what are they doin' there, ");
17
         System.out.println("\tfor gracious sakes?\"");
18
         System.out.println("\"Well, they didn't go there a-purpose.\"");
19
       3
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```

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Results

```
% java HuckleberryFinn
\Quoted from Huckleberry Finn\
I broke in and says:
"They're in an awful peck of trouble, and"
"Who is?"
"Why, pap and mam and sis and Miss Hooker;
        and if you'd take your ferryboat
        and go up there"
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"Yes."
"Good land! what are they doin' there,
        for gracious sakes?"
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```

Java has three types of commenting

- If // appears in a line the // and whatever remaining in the line are comments
- A block of lines in which the first line starts with /* and the last last either starts with */ or starts with * and ends with */ and everything in-between starts with *
- The same as before but the first line starts with /** instead of /*

The last type is used for "javadoc" - record of information about a method; it must precede the declaration of the method it annotates

Comments Example

```
\begin{array}{c}1\\2\\3\\4\\5\\6\\7\\8\\9\\10\\11\\12\\13\\14\\15\end{array}
```

/*

```
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* Written by Mitsunori Ogihara
*/
public class Comments {
    /**
    * main method
    * @param args the arguments
    */
    public static void main( String[] args ) {
        // There are two lines in the program
        System.out.println( "A code needs comments!" );
        System.out.println( "A code needs indentation!" );
    }
}
```

Multiline comment

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The "javadoc" comment

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Regular comment

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- No more than one statement per line

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Code Without Indentation

```
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3
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 4
     */
5
6
    public class CommentsWithNoIndent {
    /**
 7
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