



(remedial) Java

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Remedial Java class

- Objective:
 - Cover the fundamentals of the Java programming language.
 - Designed for students with some programming experience, but ...
- Practical info:

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- 6 sessions of 3h (theory + practice):
 - Programming basics (Mon 2/9, pm)
 - Java Language basics (Tue 3/9, am)
 - Object oriented programming (Tue 3/9, pm)
 - Inheritance (Tue 5/9 am)
 - Packages and Exceptions (Tue 5/9 am)
 - Independent work (Wed 6/9 – no class)
 - I/O (Thu 7/9 pm)

Programming basics

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What is a program

- Algorithm: A recipe / sequence of steps to follow. *"A step-by-step procedure for solving a problem or accomplishing some end, especially by a computer"* (Merriam-Webster Online)
- Program: A sequence of instructions in a programming language that perform a task (e.g., follow an algorithm)

(pseudo-code)

```
get from user a first number  
get from user a second number  
add the first and second number  
return to user the result  
add to the result 2 and return the new result
```

The two numbers are
not known a-priori



The number 2 is known



Each of the steps are called **instructions** of the program

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What is a program

> Please give a number:

2

> Please give a second number:

3

> Result is 5

> New result is 7

> Please give a number:

7

> Please give a second number:

6

> Result is 13

> New result is 15

Same Program, two runs

```
get from user a first number
get from user a second number
add the first and second number
return to user the result
add to the result 2 and return the new result
```

What is a variable

- a variable is a storage space for keeping information that may change every time we run the program, or even during the same program (thus their name)
- they are *temporary* and store additional information the algorithm needs to function

```
get from user a first number
let variable1 = first number
get from user a second number
let variable2 = second number
let variable3 = variable1 + variable2
return to user variable3
let variable3 = variable3 + 2
return to user variable3
```

variables are "shortcuts"
to numbers we stored

What is a variable

> Please give a number:

2

value 2 stored in variable1

> Please give a second number:

3

value 3 stored in variable2
variable3 used to do the sum

> Result is 5

variable3 updated

> New result is 7

Same output as before, different structure (use of variables)

```
get from user a first number
let variable1 = first number
get from user a second number
let variable2 = second number
let variable3 = variable1 + variable2
return to user variable3
let variable3 = variable3 + 2
return to user variable3
```

What is a function / method

- It is a sub-algorithm that does a specific task, to help break down large programs into small parts
- It is a group of steps, to which we assign a name
- We can call these steps with their name

```
function add (variable1, variable2)
  let variable3 = variable1 + variable2
  return to user variable3
```

set of steps with name **add**, that we can call multiple times (and may return different results)

```
get from user first number and second number (e.g, 3 and 4)
let variable1= first number and variable2 = second number
add (variable1, variable2)
get from user first number and second number(now 6 and 5)
let variable1= first number and variable2 = second number
add (variable1, variable2)
```

What is a function / method

> Please give two numbers:

3,4

value 2 and stored in variable1 and variable2

> Result is 7

add is called, with variable1=3 and variable2=4
inside add the sum is performed
and returned

> Please give two numbers:

6,5

value 2 and stored in variable1 and variable2

> Result is 11

add is called, with variable1=6 and variable2=5
inside add the sum is performed
and returned

```
function add (variable1, variable2)
  let variable3 = variable1 + variable2
  return to user variable3
```

```
get from user first number and second number (e.g, 3 and 4)
let variable1= first number and variable2 = second number
add (variable1, variable2)
get from user first number and second number (now 6 and 5)
let variable1= first number and variable2 = second number
add (variable1, variable2)
```

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conditionals

- When an algorithm needs to make a decision we use condition statements

```
function add (variable1, variable2)
  variable3 = variable1 + variable2
  if (variable3 > 10)
    return to user "Too big !!!"
  else
    return to user variable3
```

if the condition is met
the line after "if" is executed,
if not the line after "else"

```
get from user first number and second number (e.g, 3 and 4)
let variable1= first number and variable2 = second number
add (variable1, variable2)
get from user first number and second number (now 6 and 5)
let variable1= first number and variable2 = second number
add (variable1, variable2)
```

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conditionals

> Please give two numbers:
3,4

> Result is 7

> Please give two numbers:
6,5
> Result is "Too big !!!"

← *add* is called, with variable1=3 and variable2=4
inside *add* the sum is performed
then the conditional is tested (if)
here variable3 is less than 10 so returned

← *add* is called, with variable1=6 and variable2=5
inside *add* the sum is performed
then the conditional is tested (if)
but not met, so return "Too Big"

```
function add (variable1, variable2)
  variable3 = variable1 + variable2
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    return to user "Too big !!!"
  else
    return to user variable3
```

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let variable1= first number and variable2 = second number
add (variable1, variable2)
```

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repetitions

- An action performed multiple times, either while a condition holds, or for a specific number of times

function that loops (iterates)
for as many times as the
variable *iterations* states

```
function loop (variable iterations)
  for iterations times
    say Hi!
```

```
get from user (variable) iterations (e.g, 3)
loop (iterations)
loop (iterations + 1)
```

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repetitions

The diagram illustrates the execution of a loop. On the left, a black box contains the following text:
> Please give iterations:
3

> Hi!
> Hi!
> Hi!

> Hi!
...
On the right, four red-bordered boxes with arrows pointing to the corresponding lines in the black box provide explanations:
1. Arrow to '3': value 3 stored in variable *iterations*
2. Arrow to the first '> Hi!': first time
3. Arrow to the second '> Hi!': second time
4. Arrow to the third '> Hi!': third time (that is equal to *iterations*)
5. Arrow to the fourth '> Hi!': function loop called again with argument *iterations* +1
6. Below the last arrow: How many Hi! 's will we see?

```
function loop (variable iterations)  
  for iterations times  
    say Hi!
```

```
get from user (variable) iterations (e.g, 3)  
loop (iterations)  
loop (iterations + 1)
```

Java basics

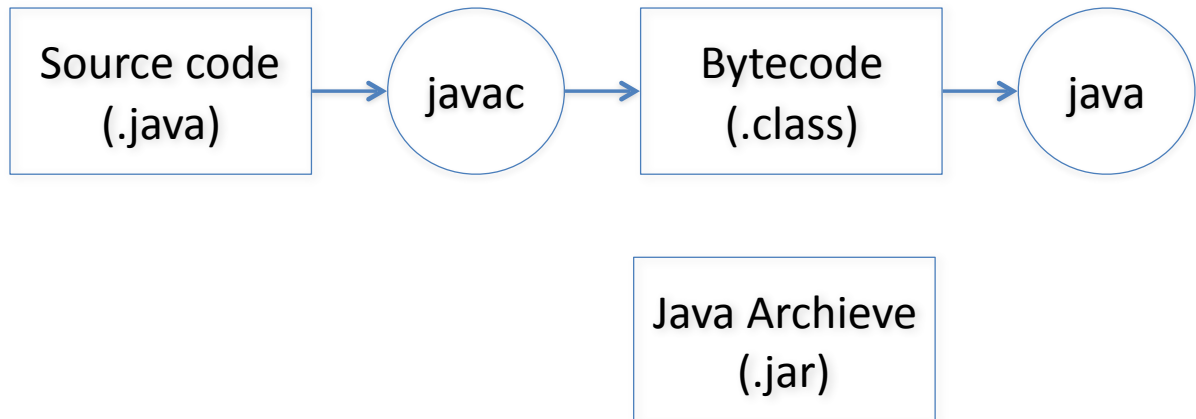
Java

- Multi-platform “Pure” object-oriented language and application runtime environment
- Language syntax based on C/C++ to be familiar
 - with simplifications: no unsigned values, pointers, ...
 - developers not responsible for memory management
- Pure object-oriented language:
 - build from the ground up with OOP design in mind
 - programs are completely constructed with objects (as opposed to Bolt-on languages, like C++, where OO structures are an enhancement to the language, and there is a mix of procedural and OO)

Java and JVM

- Code in Java does not compile to machine code directly, but to a specific type of Bytecode
 - Bytecode executable on any architecture
 - Write once, run anywhere (WORA)
- Java bytecode runs through a Java Virtual Machine (JVM), achieving cross-platform support
- Different platforms have their implementation of the JVM (included in the Java Runtime Environments JRE). The Java Development Kit (JDK) also includes the Java JRE.

Compiling Java



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First Java program

In a simple text editor (Notepad, TextEdit, Emacs) write the following and save in HelloWorld.java

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

This is a class declaration, more on that later.

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```

Main method: entry point to the program (public + static) and needs to be inside a class

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```

System is a class, that calls **out** that represents the stdout (here output to console). Method **println** prints the text argument, and adds a newline character.

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    }  
}
```

Lets compile and run it!

```
> javac HelloWorld.java  
> java HelloWorld
```

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Program structure

```
class CLASSNAME {  
    public static void main (String[] arguments){  
        STATEMENTS  
        // comments  
    }  
}
```

Main function is needed to run a program

It is always inside a class

It is always public static

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Let's move to our IDE

- Run Eclipse, and File→New→Java Project
 - Name your project: RemedialJava and click finish
- Select in the Package Explorer your project RemedialJava, and File → New → Package
 - Name your package: `session1.introduction`
- Finally, select your package in the Package Explorer, File → New → Java Class
 - Name your class HelloWorld
- Copy paste the code from HelloWorld example
- Project→Build and Run→Run your code (or select the HelloWorld class and Run → Run As → Java Application)

Types

- As in all programming languages, Java has some basic types, the kinds of values that can be stored and manipulated:

boolean: Truth value (**true** or **false**).

int: Integer (0, 1, -30).

double: Real number (3.14, 2.0, -4.1).

String: Text ("hello", "cat").

Variables

- Variable: location that stores a value of a type.
The form is: **TYPE NAME;**
e.g., `String cat;`
- We use **=** to make variable assignments.
e.g., `String cat;`
`cat = "Garfield";`
- Can combine declaration and assignment
e.g., `String cat = "Garfield";`

Variables of different Types

- example

```
class HelloWorld {  
    public static void main (String[] arguments){  
        System.out.println("Hello World !");  
        String cat = "Garfield";  
        int age = 3;  
        System.out.println(  
            "My cat is " + cat + " and he is " + age);  
    }  
}
```

Operators

■ Symbols:

Assignment: =

Operators: +, -, *, /, %

Combined: +=, -=, *=, /

=

■ Ordering:

1. left to right, () increase precedence

2. multiplication/division

3. addition/subtraction

```
class SomeMath {  
  
    public static void main (String[] arguments){  
        double calculate = 1.0 + 2.0 * 3.0;  
        // different from (1.0 + 2.0) * 3.0  
        System.out.println(calculate);  
        calculate = calculate * 2.0;  
        // calculate *= 2.0; would work too  
        System.out.println(calculate);  
    }  
}
```

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Division

- Division ("/") operates differently on integers and doubles

Example

```
double a = 5.0/2.0; // a = 2.5  
int b = 4/2; // b = 2  
int c = 5/2; // c = 2  
double d = 5/2; // d = 2.0
```

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types

- Java verifies that types match:

```
String five = 5; // ERROR!
```

- Can convert types by casting

```
int a = 2; // a = 2
```

```
double a = 2; // a = 2.0 (Implicit)
```

```
int a = 18.7; // ERROR
```

```
int a = (int)18.7; // a = 18
```

```
double a = 2/3; // a = 0.0
```

```
double a = (double)2/3; // a = 0.6666...
```

String concatenation

- Basic concatenation

```
String text = "hello" + " world,";
```

```
text = text + " times " + 6;
```

```
// text = "hello world, times 6"
```

- Can also create formatted strings

```
String text = String.format("Printing a  
string variable %s, and an integer one %d",  
    stringVar, intVar);
```

- To check equality: `string1.equals(string2)`
- Many methods available !!!

Exercise 1

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Reminder:

- Types (boolean, int, double, String)
- Operators +, -, *, /, %
- Assignment =, +=, *=, -=, /=
- Standard output `system.out.println("some text");`

Methods

- A method is similar to a function
- A section of a program that is given a name, and that performs a specific task
- It may take some input parameters and may return a value
- It can be called from elsewhere in the program to be executed

Methods

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

```
public static void NAME (TYPE NAME) {  
    STATEMENTS;  
}
```

To call a method:

```
NAME (EXPRESSION);
```

Methods example (1)

```
class Square {  
  
    public static void printSquare (int x) {  
        System.out.println (x * x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments){  
        int value = 2;  
        printSquare (value);  
        printSquare(value*2);  
        printSquare(3);  
    }  
}
```

Methods example (2)

```
class Square {  
  
    public static void printSquare (int x) {  
        System.out.println (x * x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments){  
        printSquare ("Hello World");  
        printSquare(5.5);  
    }  
}
```

What is wrong here ?

Methods example (3)

```
class Square {  
  
    public static void printSquare (double x) {  
        System.out.println (x * x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments){  
        printSquare(5);  
    }  
}
```

What is wrong here ?

Methods example (4)

```
class Square {  
  
    public static void printSquare (double x) {  
        System.out.println (x * x);  
    }  
    public static void printSquare (String x) {  
        System.out.println (x + x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments){  
        printSquare(5.0);  
        printSquare("Hello");  
    }  
}
```

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Methods example (4)

```
class Square {  
  
    public static void printSquare (double x) {  
        System.out.println (x * x);  
    }  
}
```

Method overloading: a class can have two or more methods having same name, if their argument lists are different.

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Method return values

```
public static TYPE NAME ( TYPE NAME, TYPE NAME, ... ) {  
    STATEMENTS;  
    return EXPRESSION;  
}
```

- void means “no type”, ie nothing returned

Methods example (5)

```
class Square {  
    public static double square (double x) {  
        return x * x;  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] arguments){  
        System.out.println( square(5) );  
    }  
}
```

Variable Scope

- Variables live in the block {} where they are defined (**scope**)
- Method input parameters are like defining a new variable in the method

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Variable scope example (1)

```
class SquareChange {  
    public static void printSquare(int x) {  
        System.out.println("printSquare x = " + x);  
        x = x * x;  
        System.out.println("printSquare x = " + x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
        int x = 5;  
        System.out.println("main x = " + x);  
        printSquare(x);  
        System.out.println("main x = " + x);  
    }  
}
```

Note: this is for basic types ...

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Methods

You should know this, but repetition is good 😊

- Big programs are built out of small methods
- Methods can be individually developed, tested and reused
- The user of method does not need to know how it works (this is called “abstraction”)

Conditionals

```
if (CONDITION) {  
    STATEMENTS  
}
```

```
if (CONDITION) {  
    STATEMENTS 1  
} else {  
    STATEMENTS 2  
}
```

```
if (CONDITION) {  
    STATEMENTS 1  
} else if (CONDITION) {  
    STATEMENTS 2  
} else if (CONDITION) {  
    STATEMENTS 3  
} else {  
    STATEMENTS 4  
}
```

Conditions ...

Are a combination of:

- Comparison operators:

`x > y` , `x >= y` : x is greater than y, x is greater or equal to y
`x < y` , `x <= y` : x is less than y, x is less than or equal to y
`x == y` : x equals y (**equality: ==, assignment: =**)
(NOT for Strings, non basic types or doubles)

- Boolean operators:

`&&` : logical AND
`||` : logical OR
`!` : logical NOT

Conditions ...

- Comparison operators:

- Do not call `==` for String

String is an object, so Java will look at its memory (more later)
Instead use **equals** (e.g., `s1.equals(s2)`)

- Do not call `==` for doubles

```
double a = Math.cos (Math.PI / 2 );  
double b = 0.0;  
a = 6.123233995736766E-17  
a == b will return FALSE  
use Math.abs(a-b) < somethingSmall
```

Conditional Switch ...

```
switch (variable) {  
    case value1:  
        STATEMENTS  
        break;  
    case value2:  
        STATEMENTS  
        break;  
    ...  
    default:  
        STATEMENTS  
        break;  
}
```

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Exercise 2

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Reminder:

- if (cond) {
 } else if (cond) {
 } else {
 }
- Condition operators: $x > y$, $x \geq y$, $x < y$, $x \leq y$, $x == y$
- Boolean operators: **&&** (AND), **||** (OR), **!** (NOT)

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Loops (1)

```
while (CONDITION) {  
    STATEMENTS  
}
```

```
do{  
    STATEMENTS  
} while (CONDITION)
```

```
int i = 0;  
while (i < 3) {  
    System.out.println("Counting #" + i);  
    i += 1;  
}
```

- Make sure that your loop has a chance to finish (especially if you cannot count a-priori)

Loops (2)

```
for (intialization; CONDITION; update) {  
    STATEMENTS  
}
```

```
for(int i = 0; i < 5; i=i+1) {  
    System.out.println("Counting #" + i);  
}
```

- Note: `i = i+1` may be replaced by `i++` (or `++i`)

Loops (3)

Embedded loops

```
for(int i = 0; i < 5; i=i+1) {  
    for (int j = 0; j < 7; j=j+1) {  
        System.out.println(i + " " + j);  
    }  
}
```

- Scope of variables defined inside loop exist in the respective *for* block
- Scope of the iterating variable (e.g., *i,j*) defined in the initialization (also exist in the respective *for* block)

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Loops (4)

Jumping loops (branching statements):

- You can terminate a loop by using **break**, this will move to the first instruction after the loop
- You can skip the current iteration of a loop using **continue**, which moves you to the next iteration

```
for(int i = 0; i < 5; i=i+1) {  
    for (int j = 0; j < 7; j=j+1) {  
        if (j == 3) continue; // go to j 4  
        if (j == 5) break; // stop the inner loop  
        System.out.println(i + " " + j);  
    }  
}
```

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Exercise 3

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Reminder:

- `for (i=1; i <= 10; ++i) { ... }`
- `double a = (double) 1/2;`

Exercise 4 - Homework

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Reminder:

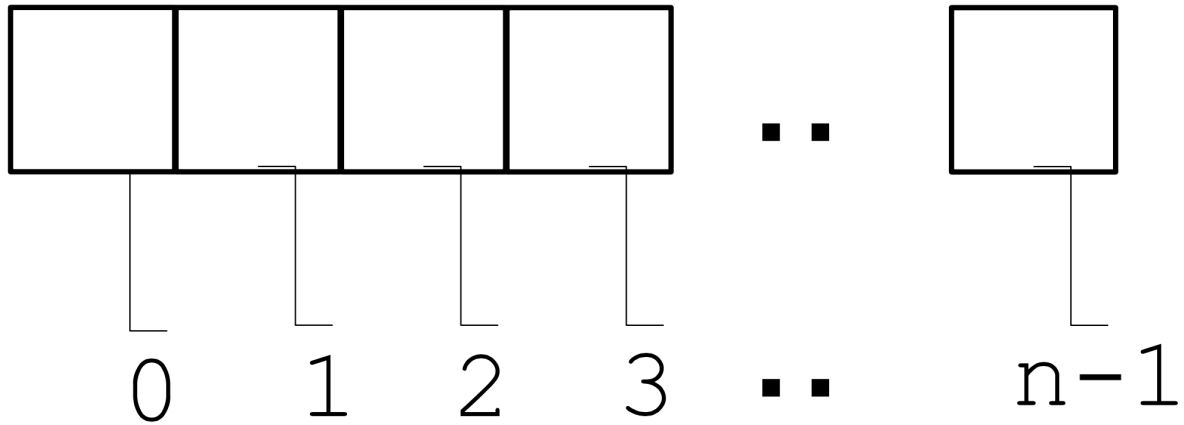
- `for (i=1; i <= 10; ++i) { ... }`
- `System.out.print()` prints in the same line
- `System.out.println()` adds a new line at the end

Java basics, Arrays

Arrays

- An array is an indexed list of values.
- You can make an array of any type
 - int, double, String, etc.
- All elements of an array must have the same type.

Arrays

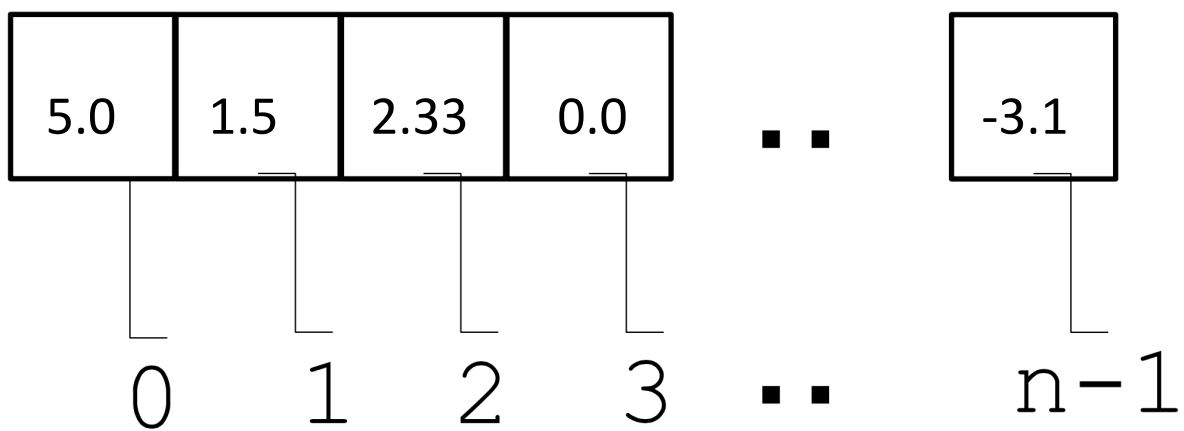


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Arrays

Example: `double[]`



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Arrays

- The index starts at **zero** and ends at **length-1**.

Example:

```
int[] values = new int[5];
values[0] = 1;    // CORRECT
values[3] = 1;    // CORRECT
values[5] = 1;    // WRONG!! compiles but
                  // throws an Exception
                  // at run-time
```

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Arrays

- An array is defined as **TYPE[]**.
- They are themselves just another type (more advanced)

```
int[] values;    // array of int

int[][] values;  // array of int[]
                // (array of arrays)
```

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Arrays

- Arrays of a specific size created using **new**:

```
int[] values = new int[5];
```

- Or using a variable:

```
int arraySize = 5;  
int[] values = new int[arraySize];
```

- Or using {} to initialize the array values. This can **only** be used in the array declaration:

```
int[] values = {2, 5, 3, 6, 6};
```

Array Access

- You can access elements in the array with

```
arrayName[index]
```

Example:

```
int[] values = {2, 5, 3, 6, 6};  
values[2] = 12; // assign value at position 2  
                // {2,5,12,6,6}  
int x = values[3]/2; // read value at pos 3  
                    // {2,5,3,3,6}
```

Array Access

- Arrays have a `length` variable build-in

Example:

```
int[] values = new int[5];
int arraySize = values.length;    // 5

int[] values2 = {2, 5, 3, 6, 6};
int arraySize2 = values2.length; // 5

public static void main (String[] arguments){
    if(arguments.length > 0)
        System.out.println("Passed " +
            arguments.length + " arguments");
}
```

Looping over Arrays

Examples:

```
int[] values = {2, 5, 3, 6, 6};
for (int i=0; i<values.length; ++i)
    values[i]= values[i]*values[i];
```

```
int[] values2 = new int[5];
int i = 0;
while (i < values2.length){
    values[i] = i;
    ++i;
}
```


Exercise 5

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Reminders/aid:

```
int[] values = {2, 5, 3, 6, 6};
```

```
int[] values = new int[SIZE];
```

array[index] accesses value at index position, with index starting at 0

array.length gives the array size

```
for (intialization; CONDITION; update) {
```

```
    STATEMENTS
```

```
}
```

You can get the max possible int with ***Integer.MAX_VALUE***;

Common problems

Common problems (1)

- Array **Index** vs Array **Value**

```
int[] values = {2, 5, 3, 6, 6};  
System.out.println(values[0]);    // 2
```

- Curly braces {...} after if/else, while/for

```
for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)  
    System.out.println("Hi");  
    System.out.println("Bye");
```

Output?

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Common problems (2)

- Variable initialization

```
int getMinValue(int[] vals) {  
    int min = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < vals.length; i++) {  
        if (vals[i] < min) {  
            min = vals[i];  
        }  
    }  
}
```

What if vals = {1,2,3}?

Set min = Integer.MAX_VALUE or vals[0]


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Common problems (2)

■ Defining method within method

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



■ General comment:

- Use `System.out.println` throughout your code

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(aside, in our IDE)

- Ctrl-Shift-L: show list of keyboard shortcuts
- Ctrl-S: save
- Ctrl-Shift-F: aligns code
- Ctrl-O: opens an autocomplete window to jump to a member definition for all members of the open type
- Ctrl-Shift-O: organize imports automatically
- Ctrl-Shift-T: opens a window to open a type via autocompletion
- Ctrl-Shift-R: opens an autocomplete window for resources (files)
- F3: jump to definition

(On a Mac, replace Ctrl above with Cmd.)

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Java resources

Many resources online ...

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/tutorialLearningPaths.html>

« Thinking in Java » by Bruce Eckel (older versions of the book available online)

Exercises 4,6,7

Homework (together with anything else you did not finish in class)

www.lri.fr/~anab/teaching/remedial-java/ex-session1.pdf