

Programming using Java language

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Topics (8h)

- Data structures, collections
- Exceptions
- Threads
- Files

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Data structures in Java

- Simple variables: primitive types and object types
- Arrays: base type, index, length
- Objects: encapsulate different fields into one instance (like records in “old” imperative languages + methods)
- Collections – built-in tools in Java API to manipulate group of objects: Vector, Hashtable, etc. Java collections framework

Types

- Primitive types: byte, short, int, long, float, double, boolean, char
- Object types:
 - Wrappers: Byte, Short, Integer, Long, Float, Double, Boolean, Character
 - Other API types: String, Object, StringBuffer, ...
 - Interface types: Comparable, Runnable, ...

Arrays

Array creation and initialization

```
int [] a = { 1, 5, 8 };
```

consists of 3 steps:

```
int [] a;           // variable declared
a = new int [3];    // memory allocated
a[0]=1; a[1]=5; a[2]=8; // values assigned
int n = a.length;   // array size
```

Array expression:

```
int [] a = new int [] { 1, 5, 8};
```

Multi-dimensional arrays

- 2-dimensional array is an array of 1-dimensional arrays (NB! these can be of different length):

```
int [][] m;                // 2-dim array
m = new int [2][];         // first level
System.out.println (m.length);
m[0] = new int [4];        // second level
m[0][0] = -8;
m[1] = new int [3];        // different size
m[1][0] = 9;
```

Objects

Object fields:

```
class Person {  
    String surname;  
    String firstName;  
    Calendar birthDate;  
    // etc. whatever we want to record
```

Constructors

```
Person (String sn, String fn, Calendar bd) {  
    surname = sn;  
    firstName = fn;  
    birthDate = bd;  
} // constructor
```

```
Person() {  
    this ("*", "*", Calendar.getInstance());  
} // default constructor
```

Instance methods

```
public String toString() {  
    return (firstName + " " + surname  
        + " " + String.valueOf (  
            birthDate.get (Calendar.YEAR)  
        ) + " " + String.valueOf (  
            birthDate.get (Calendar.MONTH)  
        ) + " " + String.valueOf (  
            birthDate.get(Calendar.DAY_OF_MONTH)));  
} // toString  
  
} // Person
```

Usage of objects

```
public class PersonMain {  
    public static void main (String[] args) {  
        Calendar bd1 = Calendar.getInstance();  
        bd1.set (1959, 04, 30);  
        Person p1 = new Person ("Smith",  
                                "John", bd1);  
        System.out.println (p1);  
        Person p2 = new Person();  
        System.out.println (p2);  
    } // main  
} // PersonMain
```

Collections

Collection

Set (set, unique elements)

HashSet

LinkedHashSet

SortedSet (ordered set, unique elements)

TreeSet

List (dynamic, indexed, multiple copies allowed)

ArrayList

LinkedList

Vector (legacy API, similar to ArrayList)

Queue (Java 5, not discussed here)

Collections

Map ("key-value" pairs)

HashMap

LinkedHashMap

SortedMap

TreeMap

Hashtable (legacy API)

WeakHashMap (allow garbage collection)

Iterator (to find the next element)

Enumeration (legacy API, similar to Iterator)

Iterable (has iterator)

Collection

Collections

Comparable

which of two elements is "bigger"

```
public int compareTo (Object o)
    /   -1, if o1 < o2
o1.compareTo (o2) =(   0, if o1 == o2
    \   1, if o1 > o2
```

Arrays

static utilities – asList, search, sort, fill, ...

Collections

static utilities – search, sort, copy, fill, replace, min, max,
reverse, shuffle, ...

Examples

- Use cases
- Word counter

Homework

- Write static methods to calculate union and intersection of two sets (of type HashSet)