



Visual Programming

Lecture 2: More types, Methods, Conditionals

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Types

- *Kinds of values that can be stored and manipulated.*

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

int: Integer (0, 1, -47).

double: Real number (3.14, 1.0, -2.1).

String: Text (“hello”, “example”).

Variables

- *Named location that stores a value*

```
String a = "a";
```

```
String b = "letter b";
```

```
a = "letter a";
```

```
String c = a + " and " + b;
```

Operators

- *Symbols that perform simple computations*

Assignment: =

Addition: +

Subtraction:

Multiplication: *

Division: /

Questions from last lecture?

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Division

- *Division (“/”) operates differently on integers and on 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
```

Order of Operations

- *Precedence like math, left to right*
 - ◆ Right hand side of = evaluated first
- *Parenthesis increase precedence*

```
double x = 3 / 2 + 1; // x = 2.0
```

```
double y = 3 / (2 + 1); // y = 1.0
```

Mismatched Types

- *Java verifies that types always match:*

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

```
test.java.2: incompatible types
```

```
found: int
```

```
required: java.lang.String
```

```
String five = 5;
```

Conversion 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...
```

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Methods

```
public static void main(String[] arguments)
```

```
{
```

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

```
}
```

Adding Methods


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

To call a method:

```
NAME ();
```

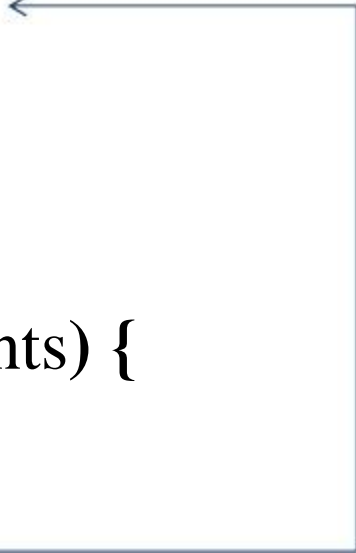
Example: Methods

```
class NewLine {  
    public static void newLine() {  
        System.out.println("");  
    }  
  
    public static void threeLines() {  
        newLine(); newLine(); newLine();  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
        System.out.println("Line 1");  
        threeLines();  
        System.out.println("Line 2");  
    }  
}
```



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        System.out.println("Line 1");  
        threeLines();  
        System.out.println("Line 2");  
    }  
}
```

The diagram illustrates the execution flow of the code. A circled '3' is positioned above the `newLine()` method. An arrow points from this '3' to the `newLine()` method. Another arrow points from the `threeLines()` method to the `newLine()` method. A third arrow points from the `main()` method to the `threeLines()` method.

Parameters

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

To call:

```
NAME ( EXPRESSION ) ;
```

Example: Parameters

```
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(3);  
        printSquare(value*2);  
    }  
}
```

Find Error

```
class Square2 {  
    public static void printSquare(int x) {  
        System.out.println(x*x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
        printSquare("hello");  
        printSquare(5.5);  
    }  
}
```

What's wrong here?

Find Error

```
class Square3 {  
    public static void printSquare(double x) {  
        System.out.println(x*x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
        printSquare(5);  
    }  
}
```

What's wrong here?

Multiple Parameters

```
[...] NAME(TYPE NAME, TYPE NAME) {  
    STATEMENTS  
}
```

To call:

```
NAME (arg1, arg2);
```

Example Multiple Parameters

```
class Multiply {  
    public static void times (double a, double b) {  
        System.out.println(a * b);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
        times (2, 2);  
        times (3, 4);  
    }  
}
```


Return Values

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

void means “no type”

Example: Return Type

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

Example: Return Type

```
class Square4 {  
    public static double square(double x) {  
        return x*x;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
        System.out.println(square(5));  
        System.out.println(square(2));  
    }  
}
```

Variable Scope

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

Example: Variable Scope

```
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);  
    }  
}
```

Example: Variable Scope

```
class Scope {  
    public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
        int x = 5;  
        if (x == 5) {  
            int x = 6;  
            int y = 72;  
            System.out.println("x = " + x + " y = " + y);  
        }  
        System.out.println("x = " + x + " y = " + y);  
    }  
}
```

Methods: Building Blocks

- *Big programs are built out of small methods*
- *Methods can be individually developed, tested and reused*
- *User of method does not need to know how it works*
- *In Computer Science, this is called “abstraction”*

Mathematical Functions

`Math.sin(x)`

`Math.cos(Math.PI / 2)`

`Math.pow(2, 3)`

`Math.log(x)`

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if statement

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

Example: if Statement

```
public static void test(int x) {  
    if (x > 5) {  
        System.out.println(x + " is > 5");  
    }  
}
```

```
public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
    test(6);  
    test(5);  
    test(4);  
}
```

Comparison operators

$x > y$: x is greater than y

$x < y$: x is less than y

$x \geq y$: x is greater than or equal to x

$x \leq y$: x is less than or equal to y

$x == y$: x equals y

(equality: `==`, assignment: `=`)

$x != y$: x not equals y

Boolean operators

`&&` : logical AND

`||` : logical OR

```
if (x > 6) {  
    if (x < 9) {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```



```
if ( x > 6 && x < 9) {  
    ...  
}
```

else

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

Example: else

```
public static void test(int x) {  
    if (x > 5) {  
        System.out.println(x + " is > 5");  
    } else {  
        System.out.println(x + " is not > 5");  
    }  
}  
  
public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
    test(6);  
    test(5);  
    test(4);  
}
```

else if

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


Example: else if

```
public static void test(int x) {  
    if (x > 5) {  
        System.out.println(x + " is > 5");  
    } else if (x == 5) {  
        System.out.println(x + " equals 5");  
    } else {  
        System.out.println(x + " is < 5");  
    }  
}  
  
public static void main(String[] arguments) {  
    test(6);  
    test(5);  
    test(4);  
}
```

Conversion by method

- *int to String:*

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

```
String five = Integer.toString (5);
```

```
String five = "" + 5; // five = "5"
```

- *String to int:*

```
int foo = "18"; // ERROR!
```

```
int foo = Integer.parseInt ("18");
```

Comparison operators

- *Do NOT call == on doubles! EVER.*

```
double a = Math.cos (Math.PI / 2);
```

```
double b = 0.0;
```

$a = 6.123233995736766E-17$

$a == b$ will return **FALSE!**

