Java Primer II

CMSC 202

Expressions

- An expression is a construct made up of variables, operators, and method invocations, that evaluates to a single value
- For example:

```
int cadence = 0;
anArray[0] = 100;
System.out.println("Element 1 at index 0: " + anArray[0]);
int result = 1 + 2;
System.out.println(x == y ? "equal" : "not equal");
```

Statements

- **Statements** are roughly equivalent to sentences in natural languages. A **statement** forms a complete unit of execution.
- Two types of statements:
 - Expression statements end with a semicolon ';'
 - Assignment expressions
 - Any use of ++ or --
 - Method invocations
 - Object creation expressions
 - Control Flow statements
 - Selection & repetition structures

Comment Types

 End of line comment – ignores everything else on the line after the "//"

```
// compute the volume
```

Multi-line comment — must open with "/*" and close with "*/"

```
/*
 * sort the array using
 * selection sort
 */
```

- Javadoc comment special version of multi-line comment that starts with "/**"
 - Used by Java's documentation tool

```
/**
 * Determines if the item is empty
 * @return true if empty, false otherwise
 */
```

If-Then Statement

 The if-then statement is the most basic of all the control flow statements

```
Python
```

```
if x == 2:
    print "x is 2"
print "Finished"
```

Java

```
if (x == 2)
    System.out.println("x is 2");
System.out.println("Finished");
```

Notes about Java's *if-then*:

- Expression must be in parenthesis
- Expression must result in a boolean value

Multiple Statements

 What if our then case contains multiple statements?

Python

Java

```
if x == 2:
    print "even"
    print "prime"
    print "Done!"

if (x == 2)
    System.out.println("even");
    System.out.println("prime");

System.out.println("Done!");
```

Notes:

- Unlike Python, spacing plays no role in Java's selection/ repetition structures
- The Java code is syntactically fine no compiler errors
- However, it is *logically* incorrect

Blocks

- A block is a group of zero or more statements that are grouped together into a group
- In Java, blocks are denoted by opening and closing curly braces '{' and '}'

```
if(x == 2) {
    System.out.println("even");
    System.out.println("prime");
}
System.out.println("Done!");
```

Note:

 It's generally considered a good practice to include the curly braces even for single line statements

Variable Scope

- That set of code statements in which the variable is known to the compiler
- Where it can be referenced in your program
- Limited to the code block in which the variable is defined
- A code block is a set of code enclosed inside of curly braces
- For example:

```
if(age >= 18) {
    boolean adult = true;
}
/* couldn't use adult here */
```

If-Then-Else Statement

 The if-then-else statement looks much like it does in Python (aside from the parenthesis and curly braces)

Python

```
if x % 2 == 1:
    print "odd"
else:
    print "even"
```

Java

```
if(x % 2 == 1) {
    System.out.println("odd");
} else {
    System.out.println("even");
}
```

If-Then-Else If-Then-Else Statement

Again, very similar...

Python

```
if x < y:
    print "x < y"
elif x > y:
    print "x > y"
else:
    print "x == y"
```

Java

```
if(x < y) {
    System.out.println("x < y");
} else if (x > y) {
    System.out.println("x > y");
} else {
    System.out.println("x == y");
}
```

Switch Statement

- Unlike if-then and if-then-else, the switch statement allows for any number of possible execution paths
- Works with byte, short, char, and int primitive data types
 - As well as enumerations (which we'll cover later)

Switch Statement

```
int cardValue = /* get value from somewhere */;
switch(cardValue) {
   case 1:
       System.out.println("Ace");
       break:
   case 11:
                                             Notes:
       System.out.println("Jack");
                                             • break statements are
       break:
                                               typically used to terminate
   case 12:
                                               each case
       System.out.println("Queen");

    It's usually a good practice

       break:
                                               to include a default case
   case 13:
       System.out.println("King");
       break;
   default:
       System.out.println(cardValue);
```

Switch Statement

```
switch (month) {
   case 1: case 3: case 5: case 7:
   case 8: case 10: case 12:
      System.out.println("31 days");
       break:
   case 4: case 6: case 9: case 11:
      System.out.println("30 days");
       break:
   case 2:
      System.out.println("28 or 29 days");
      break:
   default:
      System.err.println("Invalid month!");
      break;
```

Notes:

• Without a break statement, cases "fall through" to the next statement

While Loops

- The while loop executes a block of statements while a particular condition is true
- Pretty much the same as Python...

Python

```
count = 0;
while(count < 10):
    print count
    count += 1
print "Done!"</pre>
```

Java

```
int count = 0;
while(count < 10) {
    System.out.println(count);
    count++;
}
System.out.println("Done!");</pre>
```

Do-While Loops

- In addition to while loops, Java also provides a do-while loop
 - Expression is at the bottom of the loop
 - Statements within the block are always executed at least once
 - Note the trailing semicolon!

```
int count = 0;
do {
    System.out.println(count);
    count++;
} while(count < 10);
System.out.println("Done!");</pre>
```

 The for statement provides a compact way to iterate over a range of values

```
for (initialization; termination; increment) {
    /* ... statement(s) ... */
}
```

- The *initialization expression* initializes the loop it's executed once, as the loop begins.
- When the termination expression evaluates to false, the loop terminates
- The increment expression is invoked after each iteration through the loop

- The equivalent loop written as a for loop
 - Counting from start value (zero) up to (excluding)
 some number (10)

 Counting from 25 up to (excluding) 50 in steps of 5

Iterating over the contents of an array

```
Python
    items = ["foo", "bar", "baz"]
    for i in range(len(items)):
        print "%d: %s" % (i, items[i])

String[] items = new String[]{"foo", "bar", "baz"};
    for(int i = 0; i < items.length; i++) {
        System.out.printf("%d: %s%n", i, items[i]);
}</pre>
```

For Each Loop

- Java also has a second form of the for loop known as a "for each" or "enhanced for" loop
- This is much more like Python's for-in loop
- The general form is:

```
for (<type> <item name> : <collection name>) {
    /* ... do something with item ... */
}
```

 For now, we'll assume that the collection is an array (though there are other objects it can be which we'll discuss later in the semester)

For Each Loop

 Iterating over the contents of an array using a for-each loop

```
Python
    items = ["foo", "bar", "baz"]
    for item in items:
        print item

String[] items = new String[]{"foo", "bar", "baz"};
    for(String item : items) {
        System.out.println(item);
    }
}
```

Reading From the Console

 Java's Scanner Object reads in input that the user enters in the command line

```
Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
```

- System.in is a reference to the Standard Input Buffer
- We can read values from the Scanner object using the dot notation to invoke a number of functions
 - nextInt() returns the next integer from the buffer
 - nextFloat() returns the next float from the buffer
 - nextLine() returns the the entire line as a String

Scanner Notes

 In order to use the Scanner class, you'll need to add the following line to the top of your code...

```
import java.util.Scanner;
```

- You should never declare more than one Scanner object on a given input stream
- The Scanner object will wait for a user to type and read all text entered up until the user presses the "enter" key

Reading from the Console

- Lets assume the user has entered "128 10"
- The first call to nextInt() reads the characters "128" leaving the "10\n" in the buffer
- The second call to nextInt() reads the "10" and leaves the "\n" in the buffer

Reading via UNIX Redirection

```
int sum = 0;
Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
while(input.hasNextInt()) {
    sum += input.nextInt();
}
System.out.println("Sum: " + sum);
```

```
% cat numbers
1 2 3
4
5 6 7
8
% java Sum < numbers
Sum: 36
%</pre>
```

- The Scanner class also has a bunch of hasNextX()
 methods to detect if there's another instance of the
 given type in the stream
- For example, this is useful if we were reading an unknown quantity of items from file that's redirected into our program

Strings

Java's String class represents a immutable sequence of characters

```
String variable = "ABC";
String name = "Bubba";
```

Strings can be easily concatenated together using the + operator

```
String player = "Donkey" + "Kong";
```

Strings can be concatenated with both primitive and reference types

```
String foo = "abc" + 123;
```

Strings also support the += operator

```
String s = "foo";
s += "bar";
```

String Equality

```
Python

if player == "Mario":
    color = "red"

color = "red"

java

if (player.equals("Mario")) {
    color = "Red";
}
```

- Unlike Python, we cannot simply use the == operator to compare Strings
- Remember Strings are reference types, so comparing the variables would simply compare the references
- Instead, we need to utilize the equals() method

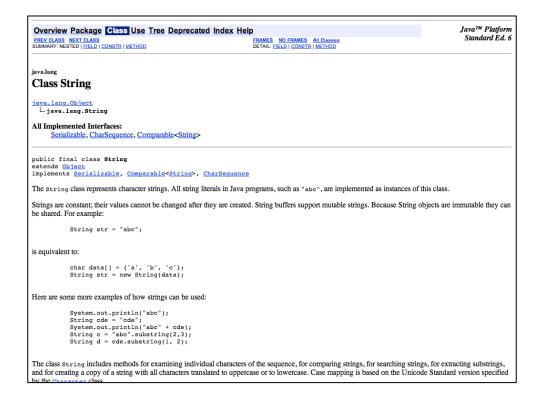
Strings

 The String object stores the number of characters in the String in the *length* method

 To access an individual characters of a string, we must use the charAt(index) method

Strings

- To see more String methods, consult the javadocs...
 - http://download.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/lang/String.html



Java Program Basics

```
package demos;

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

- All code (variables, functions, etc.) in Java exist within a class declaration...
 - Data Structures
 - Driver Classes
- The package keyword defines a file/class hierarchy used by the compiler and JVM

Java Program Review

```
package demos;

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

package demos;

public class OtherProgram {
   public static void main (String[] args) {
      System.out.println("Hello World 2");
   }
}
```

- Java source code can be compiled under any operating system
 - javac -d . SimpleProgram.java
 - javac -d . OtherProgram.java
- Java will create a directory named demos containing
 - SimpleProgram.class
 - OtherProgram.class
- We can execute SimpleProgram with the following
 - java demos.SimpleProgram
- We can execute any classes's main in a similar manner
 - java <package name>.<Class name>

Command Line Arguments

```
package demos;

public class ArgsDemo {
    public static void main (String[] args) {
        for(int i = 0; i < args.length; i++) {
            System.out.println(args[i]);
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

- Anything that follows the name of the main class to be executed will be read as a command line argument
- All text entered will be stored in the String array specified in main (typically args by convention)
 - java demos.ArgsDemo Hi
 - Results in "Hi" stored at args[0]
- Individual arguments can be separated by spaces like so
 - java demos.ArgsDemo foo 123 bar
 - Results in "foo" stored at args[0], "123" at args[1] and "bar" at args[2]