# **Building Java Programs**

Chapter 4 Lecture 4-3: Strings and objects; printf

#### reading: 3.3, 4.3 - 4.4

self-check: Ch. 4 #12, 15 exercises: Ch. 4 #15, 16 videos: Ch. 3 #3

# Formatting text with printf

System.out.printf("format string", parameters);

- A format string can contain *placeholders* to insert parameters:
  - %d integer
  - %f real number
  - %s string
    - these placeholders are used instead of + concatenation
  - Example:

• printf does not drop to the next line unless you write \n Copyright 2010 by Pearson Education

## printf width

- **%W**d integer, W characters wide, right-aligned
- %-Wd integer, W characters wide, *left*-aligned
- **%W**f real number, **W** characters wide, right-aligned

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= 10; j++) {
        System.out.printf("%4d", (i * j));
    }
    System.out.println(); // to end the line
}</pre>
```

#### Output:

. . .

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30

## printf precision

• %. **D**f real number, rounded to **D** digits after decimal

- **%W**.**D**f real number, **W** chars wide, **D** digits after decimal
- &-W.Df real number, W wide (left-align), D after decimal

double gpa = 3.253764; System.out.printf("your GPA is %.1f\n", gpa); System.out.printf("more precisely: %8.3f\n", gpa);

Output: 3 your GPA is 3.3 ~~ more precisely: 3.254 8

## printf question

• Modify our Receipt program to better format its output.

Display results in the format below, with \$ and 2 digits after .

#### • Example log of execution:

How many people ate?  $\underline{4}$ Person #1: How much did your dinner cost?  $\underline{20.00}$ Person #2: How much did your dinner cost?  $\underline{15}$ Person #3: How much did your dinner cost?  $\underline{25.0}$ Person #4: How much did your dinner cost? 10.00

Subtotal:	\$70.00
Tax:	\$5.60
Tip:	\$10.50
Total:	\$86.10

## printf answer (partial)

// Calculates total owed, assuming 8% tax and 15% tip
public static void results(double subtotal) {
 double tax = subtotal \* .08;
 double tip = subtotal \* .15;
 double total = subtotal + tax + tip;

// System.out.println("Subtotal: \$" + subtotal);
// System.out.println("Tax: \$" + tax);
// System.out.println("Tip: \$" + tip);
// System.out.println("Total: \$" + total);

System.out.printf("Subtotal: \$%.2f\n", subtotal); System.out.printf("Tax: \$%.2f\n", tax); System.out.printf("Tip: \$%.2f\n", tip); System.out.printf("Total: \$%.2f\n", total);

# **Objects and Classes**

reading: 3.3 - 3.4

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# Classes and objects

• **class**: A program entity that represents either:

- 1. A program / module, or
- 2. A type of objects.
- A class is a blueprint or template for constructing objects.
- Example: The DrawingPanel class (type) is a template for creating many DrawingPanel objects (windows).
  - Java has 1000s of classes. Later (Ch.8) we will write our own.

object: An entity that combines data and behavior.
 object-oriented programming (OOP): Programs that

perform their behavior as interactions between objects.

# Objects

• **object:** An entity that contains data and behavior.

- data: variables inside the object
- behavior: methods inside the object
  - You interact with the methods; the data is hidden in the object.



- Constructing (creating) an object:
   Type objectName = new Type (parameters);
- Calling an object's method:
   objectName.methodName(parameters);

# Blueprint analogy



### Point objects

```
import java.awt.*;
...
Point p1 = new Point(5, -2);
Point p2 = new Point(); // the origin (0, 0)
```

• Data:

Name	Description
x	the point's x-coordinate
У	the point's y-coordinate

#### Methods:

Name	Description
setLocation( $\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}$ )	sets the point's x and y to the given values
translate( <b>dx</b> , <b>dy</b> )	adjusts the point's x and y by the given amounts
distance( <b>p</b> )	how far away the point is from point p

# Using Point objects

```
public class PointMain {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // create two Point objects
        Point p1 = new Point();
        p1.y = 8;
        Point p_2 = new Point(5, 7);
        p2.x = 4;
        System.out.println(p1.x + ", " + p1.y); // 0, 8
        // move p2 and then print it
        p2.x += 2;
        p2.y++;
        System.out.println(p2.x + ", " + p2.y); // 6, 8
        // move p1 and then print it
        pl.translate(4, -5);
        System.out.println(p1.x + ", " + p1.y); // 4, -3
        // compute distance between two points
        double dist = p1.distance(p2);
        System.out.println("Distance = " + dist);
```

## Point class as blueprint



- The class (blueprint) describes how to create objects.
- Each object contains its own data and methods.
  - The methods operate on that object's data.

# Strings

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self-check: Ch. 3 #12-13; Ch. 4 #12, 15-16 exercises: Ch. 3 #7-9, 11; Ch. 4 #3, 15-17

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## Strings

• **string**: An object storing a sequence of text characters.

• Unlike most other objects, a String is not created with new.

String name = "text";
String name = expression;

```
• Examples:
```

```
String name = "Marla Singer";
int x = 3;
int y = 5;
String point = "(" + x + ", " + y + ")";
```

### Indexes

• Characters of a string are numbered with 0-based *indexes*:

String name = "R. Kelly";

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
character	R	•		K	e	1	1	У

- First character's index : 0
- Last character's index : 1 less than the string's length
- The individual characters are values of type char (seen later)

## String methods

Method name	Description		
indexOf( <b>str</b> )	index where the start of the given string appears in this string (-1 if not found)		
length()	number of characters in this string		
<pre>substring(index1, index2) or substring(index1)</pre>	the characters in this string from <i>index1</i> (inclusive) to <i>index2</i> ( <u>exclusive</u> ); if <i>index2</i> is omitted, grabs till end of string		
toLowerCase()	a new string with all lowercase letters		
toUpperCase()	a new string with all uppercase letters		

• These methods are called using the dot notation:

```
String gangsta = "Dr. Dre";
System.out.println(gangsta.length()); // 7
```

## String method examples

// index 012345678901
String s1 = "Stuart Reges";
String s2 = "Marty Stepp";

System.out.println(s1.length()); // 12
System.out.println(s1.indexOf("e")); // 8
System.out.println(s1.substring(7, 10)); // "Reg"

```
String s3 = s2.substring(1, 7);
System.out.println(s3.toLowerCase()); // "arty s"
```

Given the following string:

// index 0123456789012345678901
String book = "Building Java Programs";

• How would you extract the word "Java" ?

# Modifying strings

 Methods like substring and toLowerCase build and return a new string, rather than modifying the current string.

```
String s = "lil bow wow";
s.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(s); // lil bow wow
```

• To modify a variable's value, you must reassign it:

```
String s = "lil bow wow";
s = s.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(s); // LIL BOW WOW
```

## Strings as user input

#### • Scanner's next method reads a word of input as a String.

```
Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.print("What is your name? ");
String name = console.next();
name = name.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(name + " has " + name.length() +
       " letters and starts with " + name.substring(0, 1));
```

Output: What is your name? <u>Chamillionaire</u> Chamillionaire has 14 letters and starts with C

• The nextLine method reads a line of input as a String.

```
System.out.print("What is your address? ");
String address = console.nextLine();
```

# Strings question

- Write a program that outputs a person's "gangsta name."
  - first initial
  - Diddy
  - last name (all caps)
  - first name
  - -izzle

Example Output:

Type your name, playa: Marge Simpson

Your gangsta name is "M. Diddy SIMPSON Marge-izzle"

### Strings answer

```
// This program prints your "gangsta" name.
import java.util.*;
```

```
public class GangstaName {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
      Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
      System.out.print("Type your name, playa: ");
      String name = console.nextLine();
```

```
// split name into first/last name and initials
String first = name.substring(0, name.indexOf(" "));
String last = name.substring(name.indexOf(" ") + 1);
last = last.toUpperCase();
String fInitial = first.substring(0, 1);
```

```
System.out.println("Your gangsta name is \"" + fInitial +
    ". Diddy " + last + " " + first + "-izzle\"");
```

# **Comparing strings**

Relational operators such as < and == fail on objects.</li>

```
Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.print("What is your name? ");
String name = console.next();
if (name == "Barney") {
   System.out.println("I love you, you love me,");
   System.out.println("We're a happy family!");
}
```

- This code will compile, but it will not print the song.
- == compares objects by references (seen later), so it often gives false even when two Strings have the same letters.

## The equals method

Objects are compared using a method named equals.

```
Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.print("What is your name? ");
String name = console.next();
if (name.equals("Barney")) {
   System.out.println("I love you, you love me,");
   System.out.println("We're a happy family!");
}
```

 Technically this is a method that returns a value of type boolean, the type used in logical tests.

## String test methods

Method	Description
equals( <b>str</b> )	whether two strings contain the same characters
equalsIgnoreCase( <b>str</b> )	whether two strings contain the same characters, ignoring upper vs. lower case
startsWith( <b>str</b> )	whether one contains other's characters at start
endsWith( <b>str</b> )	whether one contains other's characters at end
contains( <b>str</b> )	whether the given string is found within this one

```
String name = console.next();
```

```
if (name.startsWith("Prof")) {
```

System.out.println("When are your office hours?");

```
} else if (name.equalsIgnoreCase("STUART")) {
```

System.out.println("Let's talk about meta!");