

WIT COMP1000

Data Types and Mathematical Expressions



Review

- Data values are stored in memory
 - » Stored with bits (0, 1)
 - » 8 bits make up one byte (0-255)
- A program uses the *type* of the data to tell Java two things
 - » How much memory is required (how many bytes)
 - » How to interpret the bits (is it a number or a character, etc)



Data Types - Numbers

- **int**

- » Integer, whole numbers
- » Examples: 0, 15, -100464, 420712003, -1
- » Range: -2^{31} (-2147483648) to $2^{31}-1$ (2147483647)
- » 4 bytes of memory

- **double**

- » Numbers with a fractional component (15 digit precision)
- » Examples: 11.23, -959.75, 0.5, -1.0
- » Range: $\sim 10^{-308}$ to $\sim 10^{308}$, positive or negative
- » 8 bytes of memory



Data Types - Alphanumeric

■ char

- » Single character or symbol
- » Always put in single quotes
- » Examples: 'a', 'C', '3', '.', '\$'
- » 1 byte of memory

■ String

- » A sequence of characters and/or symbols
- » Always put in double quotes
- » Examples: "Hello World", "475!", "a", "\$"



Notes about Strings

- The `String` type is actually a Java *class*
 - » Others we've discussed are *primitive* types
- We'll talk more about classes later
- For now, it means that there extra *methods* that you can use with every `String` variable
 - » For example, there is a `length()` method that will tell you how long a string is



String Example

```
public class ClassExamples {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String message = "May the force be with you.";  
        System.out.println(message);  
        System.out.println("The above string is this long: " + message.length());  
    }  
  
}
```



Data Types - Boolean

- **boolean**
 - » Boolean valued
 - » Only values: **true**, **false**
 - » At least one byte of memory



Mixing Types

- In general, you can not assign a value of one type to a variable of another type
 - » There are some exceptions that come with caveats
 - » There are ways to force the conversion in some cases
- Rule of thumb: don't mix types except when necessary, and always be careful when you do



Mixing Types

- You normally can't assign a double value to an **int** variable because you would lose information
 - » `int sum = 1.99; //compiler error`
 - » Same is true when assigning from a **double** variable
- You can assign an **int** value to a **double** variable without any problems
- Strings and characters don't mix in either direction
 - » `char letter = "A"; //compiler error`
 - » `String name = 'a'; //compiler error`



Mixing Types

- Characters and integers are interchangeable using the ASCII character codes

» <http://www.asciitable.com>

» Example:

- `char letter = 33; //letter will be '!'`
- `int letter = 'A'; //letter will be 65`

Mathematical Operators

- Used with numeric types (**int**, **double**)
 - » Addition (+): `total = part1 + part2;`
 - » Subtraction (-): `left_over = total - used;`
 - » Multiplication (*): `force = mass * acceleration;`
 - » Division (/): `item_wt = total / num_items;`
- When both operands are of type **int**, the result is also of type **int**
- When one or both operands are of type **double**, the result is also of type **double**



Assignment Statements

- Notice in all the previous examples the math statements look like: `VARIABLE = FORMULA;`
- This is because they are NOT formulas!
 - » In other words, they are NOT statements of fact like in normal mathematical equations
- Every "math" statement in Java is used to calculate a *one time* result when that line executes and then the "equation" is no longer remembered
 - » Sequential execution!



Assignment Statements

- The result of one of these one-time math calculations can be stored in a variable
- The variable name must go on the left side of the expression
- Example: `total_inches = yards * 36;`
 - » When this statement is executed (and ONLY then), Java plugs in the current value of the `yards` variable, multiplies by 36, and updates the value of `total_inches` to be the result



Common Mistake

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ClassExamples {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
        int input_value;
        int squared_value;

        squared_value = input_value * input_value;

        System.out.print("Enter the value: ");
        input_value = input.nextInt();

        System.out.println(input_value + "^2=" + squared_value);

    }

}
```

Uninitialized variable error!



Common Mistake

- The previous program won't compile because the programmer forgot about sequential execution
- The math statement comes *before* the `input_value` variable is initialized (given a value)
 - » Before the `input_value = input.nextInt()` line in this case
- Java is smart enough to realize that the variable won't have a value and gives us a compiler error
- To fix it, move the math statement *after* `input_value` has been initialized (but before you print out the result!)



Corrected

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ClassExamples {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
        int input_value;
        int squared_value;

        System.out.print("Enter the value: ");
        input_value = input.nextInt();

        squared_value = input_value * input_value;

        System.out.println(input_value + "^2=" + squared_value);

    }

}
```




Integer Division

- When dividing two integers, the result is an integer
 - » Any fractional value is thrown away!
 - » Example: `int answer = 7 / 2; // answer = 3`
 - » The *remainder* of an integer division can be accessed with the % (mod, modulus) operator
 - » Example: `int remainder = 7 % 2; // remainder = 1`



Long Division Review

16 divided by 5:

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 5 \overline{) 16} \\ \underline{- 15} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$16/5 = 3$

$16\%5 = 1$

35 divided by 3:

$$\begin{array}{r} 11 \\ 3 \overline{) 35} \\ \underline{- 30} \\ 5 \\ \underline{- 3} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

$35/3 = 11$

$35\%3 = 2$



Constant Values

- When you include actual numbers in a mathematical expression, they will be treated as either **int** or **double** values
- If it is a whole number, it will be an **int**
 - » 4, 0, -11, 999999, -101
- If it has any numbers after the decimal point, it will be a **double**
 - » 7.2, 0.1234, -15.2, 5.0, -1.0

Yes, these are doubles!



Integer Division

- It doesn't matter what type of variable stores the result, only what the two values being divided are
 - » If both the numerator and denominator are **int** values, then the result is an **int** value
- Example: **double** result = 5 / 4;
 - » result is 1.0!
 - » 5 and 4 are integers, so the result is an **int** value of 1, which is converted to a **double** value of 1.0



Examples

```
int x = 5/2; // x is 2
```

```
double x = 5/2; // x is 2.0, 5/2 is 2, but x is a double
```

```
int x = 5.0/2; // x is 2, 5.0/2 is 2.5, but x is an int
```

```
double x = 5.0/2; // x is 2.5
```

```
int x = 5/4*4; // x is 4, / and * are the same, so  
               evaluate left-to-right: (5/4)*4
```

```
int x = 5/(4*4); // x is 0, 4*4 is 16, 5/16 is 0
```

```
double x = 5/4*4.0; // x is 4.0, / and * are the same, so  
                   evaluate left-to-right: (5/4)*4.0
```

```
int x = 5.0/4*4; // x is 5, 5.0/4 is 1.25, 1.25*4 is 5.0
```



Exercise

- What is the output of the following?

```
int x = 5;
int y = 10;
double z = 2.5;
double a;

a = x / y;
System.out.println(a);
a = x / 1.0 * y;
System.out.println(a);
a = x / 2.0 * y;
System.out.println(a);
a = y / z;
System.out.println(a);
a = x % 3;
System.out.println(a);
```



Answer

- Run the code and see!



Multiplication Note

- In normal mathematical notation, we can omit the multiplication sign and everyone understands to multiply the numbers
- This does NOT work in Java, you have to have the multiplication signs
- Example: $y = 5x$
 - » In Java: `y = 5*x;` // `y = 5x;` will give you an error



Complex Expressions

- Many operations can be combined in a single expression
 - » Use parentheses to specify order of evaluation
 - » Otherwise, default precedence rules are followed
 - » In general, use parentheses to be sure it is right
 - » Examples
 - `double ans = (b*b) - 4*a*c; // b2 - 4ac`
 - `int result = x*(y + z); // x(y+z)`



Operator Precedence

Evaluated

First

()

parentheses

*, /, %

multiplication, division, mod

+, -

addition, subtraction

=

assignment

Evaluated

Last

Multiple operators at the same level will be evaluated left-to-right.



Exercise

- Write a Java program that reads exactly three integers from the user, calculates the average of the three numbers, and prints out the average



Answer

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ClassExamples {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);

        int a, b, c;
        double average;

        System.out.println("Enter three integers:");
        a = input.nextInt();
        b = input.nextInt();
        c = input.nextInt();

        average = (a + b + c) / 3.0;

        System.out.println("The average is " + average);

    }

}
```

The ".0" after 3 is necessary to get a **double** result!



Math Library

- Java also has libraries that contain additional *methods* for doing more complex calculations
 - » Square root
 - » Power
 - » Absolute value
 - » Logarithms
 - » Trigonometric functions
 - » ...



Math Library

- Syntax to use the square root function:

```
RESULT = Math.sqrt(VALUE);
```

- For example:

```
double s = Math.sqrt(100.0); // s = 10.0
```

- Syntax to use the power function:

```
RESULT = Math.pow(VALUE, POWER);
```

- For example:

```
int p = Math.pow(5, 2); // p = 25 (5^2)
```

- Note that the parentheses are necessary



Example

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ClassExamples {
    public static void main(String[] args) {

        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);

        double input_value;
        double squared;
        double square_root;

        System.out.print("Enter a value: ");
        input_value = input.nextDouble();

        squared = Math.pow(input_value, 2);
        square_root = Math.sqrt(input_value);

        System.out.println();
        System.out.println(input_value + "^2=" + squared);
        System.out.println(input_value + "^(1/2)=" + square_root);

    }
}
```



Exercise

- Write a program that reads two values (x and y) from the user, calculates x^y , and prints the answer



Answer

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ClassExamples {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);

        double x, y, ans;

        System.out.print("Enter x: ");
        x = input.nextDouble();
        System.out.print("Enter y: ");
        y = input.nextDouble();

        ans = Math.pow(x, y);

        System.out.println();
        System.out.println(x + "^" + y + "=" + ans);

    }

}
```



Wrap Up

- Mathematical statements in Java are NOT like "normal" math formulas
- They are used only once to calculate a new value, when the statement is executed in sequential order
- Operator precedence is used just like in your calculator, but it's always best to use parentheses for complex expressions anyway
- When dividing two `int` values, the result is an `int` (use long division and throw away the remainder)