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Topics: Parts of a Java program; types; variable, declaration and assignment; DrJava demo

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Java Program Structure

In the Java programming language:

- •A program is made up of one or more *classes*
- •A class contains one or more *methods*
- •A method contains program *statements*

A Java application always contains a method called main

```
// Our first Java program (What does it do?)
public class Mystery {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.print( (12-32)*5/9.0 );
  }
}
```

Comments

```
// this comment runs to the end of the line
/* this comment runs to the terminating
   symbol, even across line breaks */
/* Here is a nicer looking (?) comment format
   * that many programmers use.
   */
```

Primitive Data: 8 types

Four types of integers: byte, short, int, long
Two types of floating point numbers: float, double

One character type: char

One logical type: boolean (only two valid values: true, false)

We will use four primitive types most of the time: int, double, char, boolean

Integer Division and Remainder Operator

If both operands to the division operator / are integers, the result is an integer.

The remainder operator % is an arithmetic operator that returns the remainder after dividing the second operand into the first.

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Variable, Declaration, Assignment

- A variable is a –
- Variable must be declared: specify variable's name and type of information that will be held in it
- Multiple variables can be created in one declaration statement
- In an assignment statement, the expression on the right is evaluated and the result is stored in the variable on the left
- Can declare a variable and assign an initial value to it in one statement.

Data Conversion

Arithmetic promotion: operators in expressions convert their operands

Casting: explicit conversion by specifying the type desired

Assignment conversion: a value of one type is assigned to a variable of another type

Widening conversions are safe: go from small data type to larger one (e.g., a **short** to an **int**).

Narrowing conversions can lose information: go from large data type to smaller one (e.g., an **int** to a **short**).

The Math class

A collection of basic mathematical functions.

```
double tmp = Math.exp(1);
tmp = 3*Math.sin(2);
tmp = Math.random();
tmp = Math.floor(Math.random());
```