

# Programmierpraktikum

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# Java - A First Glance

# programming languages

## compiled

- Algol
- C
- C++
- Fortran
- (Latex)
- Lisp
- Java
- Pascal

## scripting

- Python
- PHP
- Unix shell scripts
- (Word)

## computing environments

- Matlab
- Mathematica

# development environments

- Eclipse

# compilation and execution

## javac - Java programming language compiler

- **javac** *Program.java*:  
compile the source code *Program.java*  
and create the executable *Program.class*
- the executable *.class* file is independent of the operating system (Linux, Windows, ...)

## java - the Java application launcher

- **java** *Program*: launch (execute) the Java executable *Program.class*
- **java -jar** *file.jar*: launches the Java program in the package

*file.jar*

- abort with **Ctrl** + **C**

## **javadoc - creating html documentation**

- **javadoc** *Program*: scans the Java code *Program.java* for comments  
formatted in **javadoc** style and creates html-doc pages
- all official Java docs are created this way

# a first program

## trivial Java source example

- create file *HelloWorld.java*
- copy/paste complete source code
- compile source code using **javac** *HelloWorld.java*
- run program using **java** *HelloWorld*

```

/** Class HelloWorld prints out a standard string.
 * This is a comment in javadoc format.
 * @date 11.11.2011
 * @author Hebert Fasching
 * @version 11.11
 */
public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args){
// --- this is another comment, explaining the command
// --- print the line (println) 'Hello World!'
// --- the standard (default) output, the console
        System.out.println("Hello World!");
    }
}

```





# entry point and scope

- **class**: the fundamental building block; nothing exists outside a **class** (object)
- **main()**: entry point; here does the execution starts, stopping automatically at the end of **main(){}**
- **main()** is a member function of the **class** *HelloWorld*; there is a strict naming convention
- **{ ... }**: scope
  - *defines beginning and end of a class, function, control loop, ...*
  - *everything defined within a given scope is not known outside*
  - *if available use keyboards with english layout*
- a program is a sequence of commands, any command ends with a semicolon **;**

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

# example: calculation

- example programs, systematics of commands and definitions later
- the format specifiers like `%3d` used for formatted printing with `printf` will be explained later

```

/** Evaluates sum of integers.
 */
public class ExampleCalc {
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {

// --- define an integer variable and set its value to zero
        int sum = 0;

// --- loop example: do a calculation many times
// --- increase 'index' by one as long as 'index' is smaller than 10
        for (int index=0; index<10; index=index+1)
        {
            sum = sum + index;
            System.out.printf("index and sum: %2d %3d\n",index, sum);
        } // the loop over 'index' ends here
    } // the main() routine of the class ExampleCalc ends here
} // the class ExampleCalc ends here

```



# example: functions

- `.` : dot operator for access to member functions and variables
- **return** the result of a function
- predefined mathematical functions in **class Math**

```

/** Evaluates the area of a circle.
 */
public class ExampleFunction {

/** Caclulates the area of a circle with of a given input radius.
 * Both input and return value are real (double precison) numbers.
 */
    static public double area(double radius)
    {
// --- the predefined (real) constant 'PI' of the predefined
// --- class Math is accessed via the dot operator
        return Math.PI*radius*radius;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {

// --- define real(double) precision variables
        double result;
    }
}

```

```

    double inputRadius = 10.0;

// --- the member function area() of the class ExampleFunction
// --- is accessed via the dot operator
    result = ExampleFunction.area(inputRadius);

// --- a command end with a semicolon, can wrap an
// --- arbitrary number of lines
    System.out.printf("radius and area: %10.4f %10.4f\n",
                      inputRadius, result);

// --- another time
    inputRadius = Math.sqrt(10.0);
    result = ExampleFunction.area(inputRadius);
    System.out.printf("radius and area: %10.4f %10.4f\n",
                      inputRadius, result);

    }
}

```

# example: input and output

- **Scanner**: a predefined Java class to access console input
- information about Java classes available on the web, → [search](#)
- with **new** a new object is created (instantiated), more details lateron

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ExampleIO {

    /** A simple subroutine function multiplying two integer numbers
     * and returning the integer (int) result.
     */
    public static int area(int length, int width) {
        int result = length * width;           // make calculation
        return result;                         // return result
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        // --- creating an object of type Scanner named scanner
        // --- we will learn lateron what this does exactly means
        Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in).useDelimiter("\n");
    }
}
```

```

System.out.print("Enter length: ");           // input
int a = scanner.nextInt();                   // length
System.out.print("Enter width: ");
int b = scanner.nextInt();                   // width

// -- call the (static) function area() of the class ExampleIO
int calculatedValue = ExampleIO.area(a, b);
System.out.println("calculation complete");
System.out.printf("area with length %d and width %d is %d\n",
                  a, b, calculatedValue);     // formatted output
} // end of ExampleIO.main()
} // end of class ExampleIO

```



# output basics

- formatted output is easier to read and cuts down debugging time substantially
- **printf()** takes exactly the same formatting options as in C
  - *%b*: boolean
  - *%c*: single char
  - *%d*: integer of arbitrary length
  - *%s*: string of arbitrary length
  - *%10s*: allocate 10 spaces for the string
  - *%12.4f*: real number with 4 decimals
  - *\n*: end of line (linebreak)

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

```

{          // non-standard bracket positioning
final int nArgs = 1;
if (args.length != nArgs)
    {          // non-standard bracket positioning
    return;
    }

String[] sentence = {"This","is","a","sentence"};
System.out.println(" ");
for (int ss=0; ss<sentence.length; ss++)
    System.out.printf("%s ",sentence[ss]);
System.out.printf("\n");

double number = Double.parseDouble(args[0]);
System.out.println(" ");
System.out.printf("floating-point %10.3f number\n",number);
System.out.printf("    exponential %10.3e number\n",number);
System.out.printf("    fixed-width %10s string  \n","short");
System.out.format("    fixed-width %10d integer \n",11);
           // printf (from C) and format are equivalent
}
}

```

```
user@pc:~$ java OutputBasics 13.445
```

```
This is a sentence
```

```

floating-point      13.445 number
  exponential      1.345e+01 number
  fixed-width      short string
  fixed-width       11 integer

```



# language and locale

- the language setting is always via the **locale** browser, desktop, Java, ...
- **attention**  
german *3,141*, US *3.141*

```
import java.util.*;    // for Locale, Scanner

public class TestLocale {

public static void main(String[] args) {

// --- in- and output with German numbers "3 Komma 141"
Locale.setDefault(Locale.GERMAN);
Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in).useDelimiter("\n");
System.out.print("enter German floating point number: ");
double rr = scanner.nextDouble();
System.out.printf("you have entered (German): %8.3f\n\n",rr);

// --- in- and output with US numbers "3 dot 141"
Locale.setDefault(Locale.US);
scanner = new Scanner(System.in).useDelimiter("\n");
System.out.print("enter US floating point number: ");
rr = scanner.nextDouble();
```

```
System.out.printf("you have entered (US): %8.3f\n\n",rr);  
  
} // end of TestLocale.main()  
} // end of TestLocale
```

```
user@pc:~$ java TestLocale  
enter German floating point number: 3,345  
you have entered (German):    3,345  
  
enter US floating point number: 7.145  
you have entered (US):    7.145
```