Programming Syntax and Style

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When programmers play Scrabble.

Programming Language Syntax

All have:

- My First Program Comments @author Mr Greenstein @since 1/1/1976 Programmer-defined wblic clase HelloWorld Names public static void main(String[] args) **Reserved Words** System.out.println("Hello world!!!");
- Structure

Assembly Code (Amiga 68K)

CODE:00000048 loc 0 48: CODE:00000048 CODE:0000004C CODE:00000052 CODE:00000054 CODE:00000058 CODE:0000005A CODE:0000005C CODE:00000060 CODE:00000066 CODE:0000006A CODE:0000006C CODE:0000006E CODE:00000074 CODE:00000078 CODE:0000007A CODE:0000007E CODE:00000080 CODE:00000086 CODE:00000088 CODE:0000008C CODE:0000008E CODE:00000092 CODE:00000094

; CODE XREF: start+261j

```
aDos library,a1 ; "dos.library"
lea
movea.1 (dword 0 1010).1,a6
        #$25,d0 ; '%'
moveq
        -$228(a6)
jsr
movea.l d0,a5
tst.1
        dØ.
beq.w
        1oc_0_17C
move.1
        a5,(dword 0 1018).1
        $80+var 18(drp),a1
lea
        #0,d0
moveq
        #$18,d1
moveq
        (sub 0 1BA0).1
jsr.
        aFileMASrelShow,a0 ; "FILE/M/A,SREL=SHOWRELOC/
lea
move.l
        a0.d1
        $80+var_18(drp),a0
lea
        a0,d2
move.1
movea.1 (dword 0 1018).1,a6
        #0.d3
moveq
        -$31E(a6)
jsr
tst.1
        d۵
        1oc_0_15A
beq.w
        #0,d7
moveq
        1oc_0_150
bra.w
```



FORTRAN (FORmula TRANslation)

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LISP (LISt Processing)



Bobrow, LISP Bulletin No 1, 1969



APL (A Programming Language)

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C Language

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<pre>#include <stdio.h></stdio.h></pre>
<pre>int main(void) </pre>
<pre>int index; int m = 1;</pre>
<pre>for (index = 1; index < 10; index++) {</pre>
<pre>m = m * index; }</pre>
<pre>printf("Result: %d\n", m);</pre>
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Pascal

ADA

procedure Test is

end Test;

program persegi panjang;

```
var Ulang : char;
    LS, P, L, K : integer;
```

begin

```
ulang := 'v';
while (ulang = 'y') do
begin
 write('panjang = ');readln(p);
 write('lebar = ');readln(l);
 ls := p * l;
  k := 2 * (p + 1);
 writeln('Luas =',ls);
 writeln('Keliling =',k);
 write('mengulang (y/n) ? ');readln(ulang);
end:
```

```
A: array (1 .. 3) of Natural;
   S: Natural;
   K: Natural;
begin
   A := (1, 2, 3);
   S := 0;
   K := A'First;
   loop
      if K <= A'Last then
         S := S + A(K);
         K := K + 1;
      else
         exit;
      end if;
   end loop;
```

```
end.
```

```
{algoritma menghitung luas}
```



C++

Python



Javascript

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML>
<HTML>
```



Java Syntax and Style

Syntax and Style on the Web

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Coding Conventions

Coding conventions are important in this course because they make your code more readable, quicker to develop, and easier to grade. The bigger the project, the more benefit software conventions will have on development time.

In the real world, good software conventions are valued because the code is easier to maintain. Sun Microsystems, who created the Java language, found:

- 40% to 80% of the lifetime cost of a piece of software goes to maintenance.
- . Most software is maintained by people other than the original author.
- · Coding conventions improve readability, allowing engineers to understand the code quickly and thoroughly.

Good coding conventions also allow you to revisit your own software months, maybe years later and quickly pick up where you left off.

NAMING CONVENTIONS

COMMENTING CONVENTIONS

FORMATTING CONVENTIONS

IMPORTING CONVENTIONS

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Brace "{ }" Structure



- A pair of braces denote one "<u>compound statement</u>" (even if the braces contain a single statement).
- Statements inside braces are <u>indented</u>.
- Java braces are an example of "block structured" languages

Reserved Words

- In Java, a number of words are reserved for a <u>special</u> <u>purpose</u>.
- Reserved words use <u>only lowercase</u> letters.
- Reserved words include:
 - primitive data types: int, double, char, boolean, etc.
 - storage modifiers: public, private, static, final, etc.
 - control statements: if, else, switch, while, for, etc.
 - built-in constants: true, false, null
- There are <u>about **50**</u> reserved words total.

Programmer-Defined Names

- The programmer gives names to his or her classes, methods, fields, and variables.
- In addition to reserved words, Java uses standard names for library packages and classes (APIs):
 - java.lang.String
 - java.io.File
 - java.awt.Graphics
 - java.util.Scanner
 - javax.swing.JFrame
- Careful! Check to be sure your class names do not conflict with Java's API class names.

Programmer-Defined Names (cont.)

- Syntax: A name can include:
 - upper- and lowercase letters (e.g. camelCase)
 - digits (e.g. july4th)
 - underscore characters (e.g. CARD_CNT)
- Syntax: A name <u>cannot begin</u> with a digit.
 4score, 365days
- Style: Names should be descriptive to improve readability.
 - YES: dealtCards; NO: dc
 - Exception: names with limited roles, like names used in loops.
 for (int a = 1; a < 5; a++)

Programmer-Defined Names (cont.)

Class names

- The first letter is always uppercase.
- The name should use camel-case.
- The name describes the class and are "noun-like".

e.g. MyClass, CardDeck, Yahtzee

Method names

- The first letter is always lowercase.
- The name should use camel-case.
- The name should be "verb-like" describing the action.

e.g. setBackground, getText, moveForward

Programmer-Defined Names (cont.)

Field names

- The first letter is always lowercase.
- The name should use camel-case.
- The name should be "noun-like" describing the object.

e.g. count, windowWidth, htmlCanvas

Constant names

- Use ALL_UPPER_CASE for constants separating words with underline characters.
- Java constant fields are declared private final.
- Make constants out of "magic" numbers. These are numbers that have a <u>significant meaning</u> in your code. For example, the number of cards in a hand.

e.g. TAX_RATE, CARD_HAND

Comments

In-line comment "//"

The Java compiler ignores anything on a line to the right of a double-slash "//".

c += d; // comment is end of line
// comment is the whole line

Multiple-line comment delimiters "/*" and "*/"

The Java compiler ignores anything starting with "/*" and ending with "*/".



- JavaDoc comments for documenting surrounded by "/**" and "*/"
 - The javadoc program automatically reads the comments from your source code and generates API-style HTML.
 - javadoc **annotations**, denoted by a "@", provide key information.

```
/** This method calculates the determinant
    of a matrix.
    Precondition: matrix A must be square
    @param A matrix A
    @return the determinant of A
    */
public int determinant(Matrix A) { ...
```

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- Comment each method

A concise description

/** Determines number of zombies near robot
 Precondition: robot is on field
 @param bot
 @param loc
 @return
 */

public int zombieCounter(Robot bot, Location loc) {

Describe what is returned

List preconditions and postconditions

List all of the input parameters

• Always provide generous amounts of comments

- Comment important fields and local variables
- Comment each method
- Put a header on each class

A concise description



Author (you) and date created

Always provide generous amounts of comments

- Comment important fields and local variables
- Comment each method
- Put a header on each class
- Missing comments? Serious consequences!

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Other Style Issues

• Keep your coding under 80 characters per line.

NO

```
if (item.getItemCost() > money) {
   System.out.printf("\nNO SALE: Not enough money to buy the item\tChange: $%6.2f
   return -1;
}
```

YES

Other Style Issues

- Keep your coding to < 80 characters per line.
- Names are descriptive, but short (< 15 chars).
 - **NO** int theLengthOfTheField;
 - **YES** int fieldLength;

Other Style Issues

- Keep your coding to < 80 characters per line.
- Names are descriptive, but short (< 15 chars).
- Names of methods that return a boolean value start with "is" or "has". For example:

public boolean isOverdrawn()
public boolean hasCreditLeft()

Syntax Errors

- The <u>compiler</u> catches <u>syntax errors</u> and generates error messages.
- Text in **comments** and **literal strings** within double quotes are <u>excluded</u> from syntax checking.
- Braces, brackets, and parentheses ({}, [], ()) can be on different lines
- **Double quotes** ("") <u>must</u> be on the <u>same line</u>



Syntax Errors (cont.)

- Pay attention to and check for:
 - Matching braces { }, parentheses (), and brackets [].
 - Missing or extraneous semicolons.
 - Symbols used correctly for operators +, -, =, <, <=, ==, ++, &&, etc.</p>
 - Spelling is correct for reserved words, library names and programmer-defined names, with special attention to upper/lower case.

Which is a better style?

public void act() {



- Put spaces between lines.
- Put spaces between words and operators.
- Indent nested code.

Questions?