

# CSE1710

Week 05, Lecture 10

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## Big Picture

The assigned reading was for today:

- read section 3.1 "Anatomy of an API"
- review Ch 3 KC's 1-6
- do Ch 3 RQ's 1-13
- do Ch 3 Ex's 3.1-3.11
- this week's lab will cover Lab Exercise L3.2 "A Software Project" (pp.124-126), also listed as Ex 3.18
  - next week's lab (Week 6 lab, Thu Oct 17/ Fri Oct 18) will also concern the software development project
  - Week 7 lab, Thu Oct 24/ Fri Oct 25, is LABTEST #2



## Checklist (for Today)

What we are reinforcing with the exercises this class...

- ability to identify overloaded methods in an API
- ability to determine bindings
- ability to recognize implications of “passing by value” in a practical way
  - probing what is meant by the value of a primitive variable vs the value of a non-primitive variable

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## Checklist (for next time, Lecture 11)

What you should be doing to prepare for what comes next...

- read section 3.2 “A Development Walk-Through”
- review Ch 3 KC’s 7-14
- do Ch 3 RQ’s 13-25
- do Ch 3 Ex’s 3.12-3.16
- last week’s lab covered Lab Exercise L3.2 “A Software Project” (pp. 124-126), also listed as Ex 3.18

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## Exercise 3.3

Visit the Java API. Two of the classes are called `Date`.

- (a) How can there be two classes with the same name?
- (b) If such a name were referenced in a program, how would the compiler know which one to bind with?
- (c) Is the `compareTo` method in `java.util.Date` overloaded?

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## A side note about `Date`

- We will use the `Date` class in the package `java.util`
  - ignore the other `Date` class in the package `java.sql`
- The class provides services for representing and working with points in time
  - relative to the Gregorian calendar and a time zone
  - e.g., `Wed Oct 09 14:21:01 EDT 2013`
- The date is encapsulated as a `long` value
  - represents the number of milliseconds that have elapsed since **unix epoch**.
  - Unix epoch is represented by `0L` and corresponds to:  
`Jan 01 00:00:00 UTC 1970`

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## A side note about Date

Predict the output of this app.

```
1 package lecture10;
2
3 import java.io.PrintStream;
4 import java.util.Date;
5
6 public class Example05 {
7
8     public static void main(String[] args) {
9         PrintStream stdout = System.out;
10        Date d;
11        d = new Date();
12        stdout.println(d);
13
14        long initialValue = 0L;
15        Date startOfEpoch = new Date(initialValue);
16        stdout.println(startOfEpoch);
17    }
18 }
```

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## Parameters Passed by Value

### Key Concept #4

Parameters in Java are **passed by value**. This means only their values are sent to the invoked method. Other languages provide **pass by reference** in which the address is sent. Passing by value is safer because methods cannot change variable local to the calling program.

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Recap: What is meant by the **value** of a variable?

Exercise: draw a diagram that illustrates the contents of memory for each of the following apps.

```
1 package lecture10;
2
3 public class Example01 {
4     public static void main(String[] args) {
5         int x = 10;
6     }
7 }
```

What is the **value** of x?

```
1 package lecture10;
2
3 import type.lib.Rectangle;
4
5 public class Example02 {
6
7     public static void main(String[] args) {
8         Rectangle r;
9         r = new Rectangle(10, 10);
10    }
11 }
```

What is the **value** of r?

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Recap: What is meant by the **value** of a variable?

The take away point is as follows:

*the value of a non-primitive variable is an address*

Variable	Characteristics of its value
primitive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a set of using 0's and 1's that corresponds to a <b>numerical or boolean value</b></li><li>the numerical or boolean value is determined according to the relevant representation scheme (e.g., int, long, double, ... etc)</li></ul>
non-primitive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a set of using 0's and 1's that corresponds to a <b>memory location (address)</b></li><li>the only type of address that is valid is the starting byte of an object in runtime memory that has the same (compatible) type as the declaration of the variable</li><li>e.g., the statement Rectangle r; means that the variable r holds an address and that address must be the starting byte of a Rectangle object</li></ul>

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## A side note about char

Predict the outcome:

```
1 package lecture10;
2
3 public class Example03 {
4
5     public static void main(String[] args) {
6         char x = 97;
7         System.out.println(x);
8         int y = x + 1;
9         System.out.println((char) y);
10        System.out.println((char) (y + 11));
11    }
12 }
```

Do you see how `char` is actually a numerical type?

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## Parameter Passing

For each of these method invocations, identify the **value** that is passed.

```
1 package lecture10;
2
3 public class Example04 {
4
5     public static void main(String[] args) {
6         int x = -310;
7         int y = Math.abs(x);
8     }
9 }
```

```
1 package lecture10;
2
3 import java.io.PrintStream;
4
5 public class Example06 {
6
7     public static void main(String[] args) {
8         PrintStream stdout = System.out;
9         Date d = new Date();
10        Date startOfEpoch = new Date(0L);
11        boolean result = startOfEpoch.before(d);
12        stdout.println(result);
13    }
14 }
15 }
```

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## Parameters Passed by Value

```
1 package lecture10;
2
3 public class Example04 {
4
5     public static void main(String[] args) {
6         int x = -310;
7         int y = Math.abs(x);
8     }
9 }
```

Could the method `abs(int)` change the value of `x`?

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## Parameters Passed by Value

```
1 package lecture10;
2
3 import java.io.OutputStream;
4
5
6 public class Example06 {
7
8     public static void main(String[] args) {
9         OutputStream stdout = System.out;
10        Date d = new Date();
11        Date startOfEpoch = new Date(0L);
12        boolean result = startOfEpoch.before(d);
13        stdout.println(result);
14    }
15 }
```

Could the method `before(Date)` change the value of `d`?

Could the method `before(Date)` change the state of `d`?

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## Exercise 3.10

Bind the invocation `Math.round(2.5)`

(a) Is the method `round` overloaded? (examine API of `Math` class)

Write a short program that proves your binding

How could you prove the following:

(c1) the invocation **does not** bind with `round(float)`

*[hint: use the compiler's type checking]*

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## Exercise 3.11

Consider the fragment

```
10 | byte x = (byte) 5;  
11 | byte y = (byte) 7;  
12 | stdout.println(Math.min(x, y));  
13 |
```

(a) Is the method `min` overloaded? (examine API of `Math` class)

(b) With which method will the compiler bind this invocation of `min`?

How could you prove the following:

(c1) the invocation **does not** bind with `min(long, long)`

(c2) the invocation **does not** bind with `min(double, double)`

*[hint: use the compiler's type checking]*

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