

Write a Java app that prints Java's age.

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

Body of main method

```
int birthYear = 1995;  
int currentYear = 2014;  
int year = currentYear - birthYear;
```

```
int birthDay = 143;  
int currentDay = 13;  
int day = currentDay - birthDay;
```

```
int daysPerYear = 365;
```

```
double age = year + day / (double) daysPerYear;
```

```
System.out.print("The age of Java is: %.2f\n", age);
```

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Answer

A unary operator that converts a value of one type to a corresponding value of another type.

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`(double) · : int → double`

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No. In that case, both expressions are of type `int`, and, hence, the division operator `/` of type `int × int → int` is used, which does not give the desired result.

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which not only gives the correct result today, but also tomorrow, the day after tomorrow, etc.

Importing packages

```
import franck.cse1020.Today;
```

- franck is a **package**
- cse1020 is a **subpackage**
- Today is a **class**

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Remainder operator

The operator

$$\cdot \% \cdot : (\text{int} \times \text{int}) \rightarrow \text{int}$$

yields the remainder of the division.

For example, the expression $2014 \% 4$ evaluates to 2.

Property

For all values a and b of type int ,

$$(a / b) * b + (a \% b) = a$$

Data types: example

- **name:** boolean
- **values:** true, false
- **operations:**

$\cdot \& \cdot : (\text{boolean} \times \text{boolean}) \rightarrow \text{boolean}$

$\cdot || \cdot : (\text{boolean} \times \text{boolean}) \rightarrow \text{boolean}$

$! \cdot : \text{boolean} \rightarrow \text{boolean}$

...

Some binary operations

- $== \cdot : (\text{int} \times \text{int}) \rightarrow \text{boolean}$
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The expression $5 == 6$ evaluates to `false` and the expression $5 \leq 6$ evaluates to `true`.

A ternary operation

The operation

$?.?:.$

of type

$(\text{boolean} \times \text{int} \times \text{int}) \rightarrow \text{int}$

is ternary, since it takes **three** arguments.

The expression $(5 == 6) ? 0 : 1$ evaluates to 1 and the expression $(5 <= 6) ? 0 : 1$ evaluates to 0.

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Sample question for a test

This question is based on material that has not been covered in the lectures, but can be found in the textbook.

Question

We can denote the steps that take place when evaluating the expression $(3 + 4) - 2$ as follows:

$$(3 + 4) - 2 \rightarrow 7 - 2 \rightarrow 5$$

Give the steps that take place when evaluating the expression

$$5 + (4 - 3)/5 - 2 * 3 \% 4$$

- **When:** Friday January 17, during the lab (14:30–16:00)
- **Where:** Lassonde building, labs 1006, 1004, 1002
- **Material:** Chapter 1 of the textbook
- **What:** One programming question similar to Check01C and several conceptual questions

The price of gold



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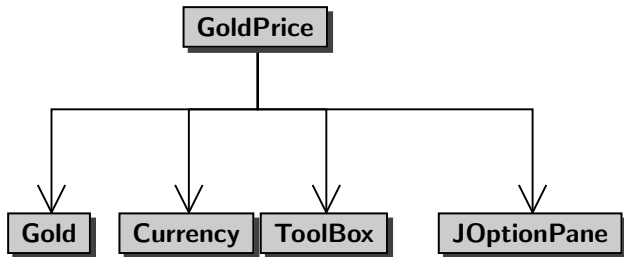
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Could we do it ourselves?

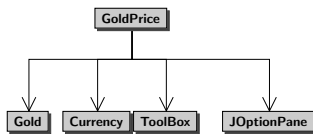
Yes, we could travel to London where the price of gold is determined daily at 10.30 am and 3.00 pm, but delegation seems a little easier.

Delegation

Also when writing an app, we try to delegate.



Some terminology

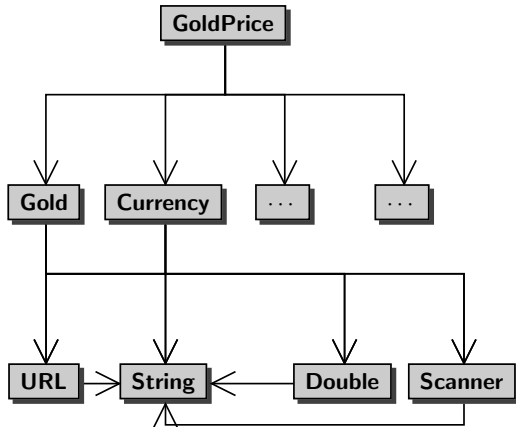


- **main class** or **app**
GoldPrice
- **helper classes** or **components**
Gold, Currency, ToolBox, and JOptionPane

The main class only contains a main method.

- **client**: developer of main class
- **implementer**: developer of components

Implementers delegate too



- 1 To solve a problem, decide what type of components are needed.
- 2 Find the appropriate components.
- 3 Delegate to the components.

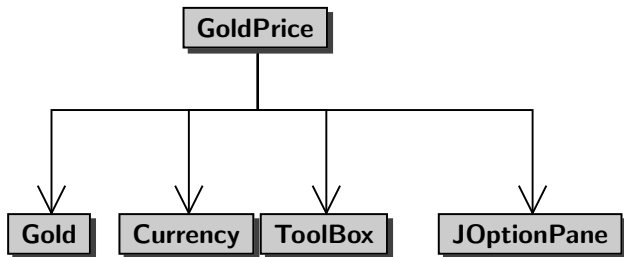
Bugs can be expensive

Flight 501, which took place on June 4, 1996, was the first, and unsuccessful, test flight of the European Ariane 5 expendable launch system. Due to an **integer overflow**, the rocket veered off its flight path 37 seconds after launch and was destroyed by its automated self-destruct system. It is one of the most infamous computer bugs in history costing roughly \$ 370,000,000.



source: spaceflightnow.com

Who is to blame for the bug?



- The user of the app (**user**)?
- The developer of the app (**client**)?
- The developer of one of the components (**implementer**)?

Interface of a component

An interface is a **contract** between the client of the component and the implementer of the component.

For each operation, it specifies

- **parameters**: “the type of data to be provided by the client to the component”
- **precondition**: “a property to be satisfied by the data provided by the client to the component”
- **postcondition**: “a property to be satisfied by the data returned by the component to the client”

The **precondition** is the **client**'s responsibility and the **postcondition** is the **implementer**'s responsibility.

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Advantages of interfaces

- **Accountability**: if something goes wrong, then the interface can be used to determine who is to blame.
- **Abstraction**: the interface abstracts from many implementations details (an interface of a component is usually much simpler than the code of the component).
The interface specifies **what** the component does, **not how** it does it.
- **Substitutibility**: the implementer can change the code of the component as long as it still conforms to the interface, without affecting the client in any way.

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The Price of Gold

Let us start with a simplified version.

Problem

Write an app that prints the price of one Troy ounce of gold in US dollars.

Let's go component shopping!

The interface of a Java class is described by its **Application Programming Interface (API)**. Many of these APIs can be found on the Internet.

- Java Standard Library (JSL)
`docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api`
- TYPE package
`www.eecs.yorku.ca/teaching/docs/type/api`
- franck.cse1020
`www.eecs.yorku.ca/course_archive/2013-14/F/1020/api/franck.cse1020.api`
- and many many more.

Convention

If the precondition is “true” (that is, it holds vacuously) then it is left out.

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If the postcondition is “returns what is specified by **Returns:**” and “crashes as specified by **Throws:**” then it is left out.

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Invoking a static method

Consider the method `public static type methodName(type1 parameterName1, ..., typen parameterNamen)` in the class `ClassName`.

This method is invoked as

`ClassName.methodName(argument1, ..., argumentn)`

where the type of `argumenti` is (compatible with) `typei`.

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- Study Section 2.1.1, 2.1.4, 2.2.1, 2.2.2 and 2.3.3 of the textbook.
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