

## **Java Naming**

- Java names:
  - Alphanumeric characters and underscores, must not start with a digit.
  - Keywords and reserved words cannot be used.
  - Case-sensitive.
- Capitalisation conventions
  - Class names start with capital letters (Bike)
  - Variable/field and method names start with lower case, and use upper case for subsequent words (currentGear)
  - Constant names use all caps and underscores (MAX\_GEAR\_RATIO)

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# Java Packages

Every name used in a program must be unambiguous.

A namespace is a part of the code within which names are unique

In Java, a package (among other things) defines a namespace.

For example,

comp1110.snake.Tile

comp1110.ass1.Tile







#### Java Variables

- Instance (non-static fields, object-local)
  - Each object has its own version (instance) of the field
- Class (static fields, global)
  - Exactly one version of the field exists
- Local
  - Temporary state, limited to execution scope of code
- Parameters
  - Variables local to a method, given values by method's caller

### Java's Primitive Data Types

In addition to objects, Java has 8 built-in 'primitive' data types.

type	Description	Range	Default
byte	8-bit signed 2's complement integer	-128 - 127	0
short	16-bit signed 2's complement integer	-32768 - 32767	0
int	32-bit signed 2's complement integer	-2 <sup>31</sup> - 2 <sup>31</sup> -1	0
long	64-bit signed 2's complement integer	-2 <sup>63</sup> - 2 <sup>63</sup> -1	0L
float	single precision 32-bit IEEE 754 floating point number		0.0f
double	double precision 64-bit IEEE 754 floating point number		0.0d
boolean	logically just a single bit: true or false	true, false	false
char	16-bit Unicode character	0 - 65535	0

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#### **Java Literals**

- Integer literals (e.g., 1) default to type int.
  - An integer value is a long if it ends with 'l' or 'L'
  - The prefix 0x indicates hexadecimal, 0b is binary, 0 octal:
    - 0x30 // 48 expressed in hex
    - 0b110000 // 48 expressed in binary
    - 060 // 48 expressed in octal
  - Underscores can be used to break up numbers:
    - long creditCardNumber = 1234\_5678\_9012\_3456L;
- A decimal value ending in 'f' is a float, while 'd' indicates double (default).
- Text in "double quotes" is a String.
- A single character in single quotes (e.g., 'A') is a char.

#### Java Arrays

Arrays hold a fixed number of values of a given type (or sub-type) that can be accessed by an index.

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Declaring:
int[] values;
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Initializing:
 values = new int[8]; // 8 element array, all zeros
 values = new int[]{1, 2, 3, 4}; // with specific values

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• Accessing:
  int x = values[3];  // the 4th element
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Copying: System.arraycopy(x, 0, y, 0, 8);