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static Import

- ▶ Normal import declarations import classes from packages, allowing them to be used without package qualification
- ▶ A **static import** declaration enables you to import the **static members** of a class (or interface) so you can access them via their unqualified names, i.e., without including class name and a dot (.)
 - `Math.sqrt(4.0)` → `sqrt(4.0)`



static Import

- ▶ Import a particular `static` member (**single static import**)
 - `import static packageName.ClassName.staticMemberName;`
 - The member could be a field or a method
- ▶ Import all `static` members of a class (**static import on demand**)
 - `import static packageName.ClassName.*;`
 - `*` is a wildcard, meaning “matching all”



Example

```
1 // Fig. 8.14: StaticImportTest.java
2 // Static import of Math class methods.
3 import static java.lang.Math.*;
4
5 public class StaticImportTest
6 {
7     public static void main( String[] args )
8     {
9         System.out.printf( "sqrt( 900.0 ) = %.1f\n", sqrt( 900.0 ) );
10        System.out.printf( "ceil( -9.8 ) = %.1f\n", ceil( -9.8 ) );
11        System.out.printf( "log( E ) = %.1f\n", log( E ) );
12        System.out.printf( "cos( 0.0 ) = %.1f\n", cos( 0.0 ) );
13    } // end main
14 } // end class StaticImportTest
```

Enables Math methods to be used by their simple names in this file

```
sqrt( 900.0 ) = 30.0
ceil( -9.8 ) = -9.0
log( E ) = 1.0
cos( 0.0 ) = 1.0
```



Importing a class

- ▶ A **single-type-import declaration** specifies one class to import
 - `import java.util.Scanner;`
- ▶ When your program uses multiple classes from the same package, you can import them with a **type-import-on-demand declaration**.
 - `import java.util.*; // import java.util classes`
- ▶ The wild card `*` informs the compiler that all `public` classes from the `java.util` package are available for use in the program.



Specifying Classpath (Compilation)

- ▶ When compiling a class that uses classes from other packages, `javac` must locate the `.class` files for all these classes.
- ▶ The compiler uses a special object called a **class loader** to locate the classes it needs.
 - The class loader begins by searching the standard Java classes that are bundled with the JDK.
 - Then it searches for **optional packages**.
 - If the class is not found in the standard Java classes or in the extension classes, the class loader searches the **classpath**, which contains a list of locations in which classes are stored



Specifying Classpath (Compilation)

- ▶ The classpath consists of a list of directories or **archive files**, each separated by a **directory separator**
 - Semicolon (;) on Windows, colon (:) on UNIX/Linux/Mac OS X
- ▶ Archive files are individual files that contain directories of other files, typically in a compressed format
 - Normally end with the **.jar** or **.zip** file-name extensions
- ▶ The directories and archive files specified in the classpath contain the classes you wish to make available to the compiler and the JVM



Specifying Classpath (Compilation)

- ▶ By default, the classpath consists only of the current directory
- ▶ The classpath can be modified by
 - providing the `-classpath (-cp)` option to the `javac` compiler
 - setting the `CLASSPATH` environment variable (not recommended).

```
javac -classpath ./:/home/avh/classes:/usr/local/java/classes Test.java
```




Specifying Classpath (Execution)

- ▶ When you execute an application, the JVM must be able to locate the `.class` files of the classes used in that application.
- ▶ Like the compiler, the `java` command uses a class loader that searches the standard classes and extension classes first, then searches the classpath (the current directory by default).
- ▶ The classpath can be specified explicitly by using either of the techniques discussed for the compiler.

```
java -classpath ./:/home/avh/classes:/usr/local/java/classes Test
```



Enumerations

- ▶ There are cases when a variable can only take one of a small set of predefined constant values, e.g., compass direction (N, S, E, W) and the days of a week (MON, TUE, etc.)
- ▶ In such cases, you should use an **enum** type to define a set of constants represented as unique identifiers

```
public enum Direction {  
    NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST  
}
```



Enumerations

- ▶ `Direction` is a type called an **enumeration**, which is a special kind of **class** introduced by the keyword `enum` and a type name
- ▶ Inside the braces `{}` is a comma-separated list of **enumeration constants**, each representing a unique value (you don't need to care about the underlying implementation or the exact values)
- ▶ The identifiers in an `enum` must be unique

```
public enum Direction {  
    NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST  
}
```



Enumerations

- ▶ Variables of the type `Direction` can be assigned only the four constants declared in the enumeration (other values are illegal, won't compile)
 - `Direction d = Direction.NORTH;`
- ▶ Like classes, all enum types are reference types

```
public enum Direction {  
    NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST  
}
```



Enumerations

- ▶ Each enum declaration declares an enum class with the following restrictions:
 - enum constants are implicitly `final` (constants that shouldn't be modified)
 - enum constants are implicitly `static` (no objects need to access them)
 - Any attempt to create an object of an enum type with operator `new` results in a compilation error (constructor of an enum type can only be private or package-private, meaning without any access level modifier)
 - enum declarations contain two parts: (1) the enum constants, (2) the other members such as constructor, fields and methods (optional)
 - An enum constructor can specify any number of parameters and can be overloaded



Enumerations

- ▶ For every enum, the compiler generates the `static` method `values` that returns an array of the enum's constants.
- ▶ When an enum constant is converted to a `String`, the constant's identifier is used as the `String` representation.

```
Direction d = Direction.NORTH;  
System.out.println(d.toString()); // prints "NORTH"
```



Example

enum constants (objects in this example)
initialized with constructor calls

```
public enum Book {
```

```
JHTP("Java How to Program", "2012"),  
CHTP("C How to Program", "2007"),  
IW3HTP("Internet & World Wide Web How to Program", "2008"),  
CPPHTP("C++ How to Program", "2012"),  
VBHTP("Visual Basic 2010 How to Program", "2011"),  
CSHARPHTP("Visual C# 2010 How to Program", "2011");
```

```
private final String title;  
private final String copyrightYear;  
private Book(String bookTitle, String year) {  
    title = bookTitle;  
    copyrightYear = year;  
}
```

Just like normal classes,
defining public methods for
clients to use the enum type

```
public String getTitle() { return title; }  
public String getCopyrightYear() { return copyrightYear; }  
}
```

Only six **Book** objects will be created, constants such as **Book.JHTP** store the references.



Example

```
import java.util.EnumSet;
public class EnumTest {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println("All books:\n");

    for(Book book : Book.values())
        System.out.printf("%-10s%-45s%\n", book,
            book.getTitle(), book.getCopyrightYear());

    System.out.println("\nDisplay a range of enum constants:\n");

    for(Book book : EnumSet.range(Book.JHTP, Book.CPPHTP))
        System.out.printf("%-10s%-45s%\n", book,
            book.getTitle(), book.getCopyrightYear());
    }
}
```

Values() returns an array of the enum's constants

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```

System.out.println("\nDisplay a range of enum constants:\n");

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for(Book book : EnumSet.range(Book.JHTP, Book.CPPHTP))
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```

EnumSet's method range() returns a collection of the enum constants in the specified range of constants



Example

All books:

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