

# Primitive data types

- All primitive values belong to one of eight primitive types
  - byte short int long float
  - double char boolean
- Primitive data types use a fixed number of bytes
  - ▶ four of these types designate different sizes of bounded integers: byte, short, int, long
- A programmer can not create new primitive data types
- Any data type you invent will be a type of *object*
- Most commonly used types in practice: int, boolean, and double

# Java primitive data types

Primitive Type	Description	Range
byte	8-bit integer	-128 to 127
short	16-bit integer	-32768 to 32767
int	32-bit integer	-2147483648 to 2147483647
long	64-bit integer	$-2^{63}$ to $2^{63}-1$
float	32-bit floating point	$10^{-46}$ to $10^{38}$
double	64-bit floating point	$10^{-324}$ to $10^{308}$
char	Unicode character	
boolean	Boolean variable	false <b>and</b> true

# More on Data Types

- Trade-off b/w memory used and what size value the data type can store
- Single bit: 2 values, 2 bits: 4 values, 3 bits: 8 values, and so on. **N bits:  $2^N$  values**
  - byte uses 8 bits  $\Rightarrow 2^8 = 256$  values (-128 to 127)
- **Signed**: both +ve and -ve values
- **Integers**: values stored in binary notation
- **Floating point** numbers: bits divided to store sign, mantissa, and exponent

Example:  $2.99792458 \times 10^8$

# Variable Declaration

Have to declare all variables before using them!

```
int number;
```

- 1) new variable of type “int”
- 2) having the name “number”

# Examples

- `int x, y, z;`
- `int sum = 0;`
- `float f;`
- `double pi = 3.14;`
- `char first = 'T',  
middle = 'L',  
last = 'B';`
- `char first = 'T';  
char middle = 'L';  
char last = 'B';`

# What's wrong in these ?

- 1) `Int x;`
- 2) `float y`
- 3) `int float;`
- 4) `int 2good;`
- 5) `int yes&no;`

# Arithmetic Expressions

- Expressions: collections of operands (constants and variables) and operators
- Very similar to what you've seen in Math classes

## Basic operators

Operator	Java	Description
Assignment	=	assigns rhs to lhs
Arithmetic	+, -, *, /, %	addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, remainder
Unary	-, ++, --	negative, auto increment, auto decrement
Equality	==, !=	equals to, not equals to
Relational	<, <=, >, >=	less than, less than or equals to, greater than, greater than or equals to
Logical	&&,   , !	AND, OR, NOT

# Examples

```
int answer = 10 - 4;
```

Division is different, depending on integer/floating point

- If both are integers (byte, short, int, long) => integer division

Example: `int answer = 5/2;` (remainders/fractions are dropped: answer will be 2)

- If one or both are floating point => floating point division

Example: `double answer = 5/2.0;` (fraction parts saved: answer will be 2.5)

Remainder operator (mod operation): returns remainder

Example: `int answer = 10%3;` (answer will be 1)



# More Examples

- 1) `X=2;`  
`X++;` (means `X=X+1` → so X will be 3)
- 2) `a==b` (checks if a is **equal** to b)
- 3) `a!=b` (checks if a **not equal** to b)
- 4) `(a==b) &&(c==d)` (checks if a = b **and** if c=d)  
(what if a=2, b=2, c=3, d=4 ?)
- 5) `(a==b) || (c==d)` (checks if a = b **or** if c=d)  
(what if a=2, b=2, c=3, d=4 ?)
- 6) `if(!a)` (checks if `a==0`)

# Operator precedence

- Evaluate  $a + b * c$

→ multiplication first?

$$a + (b * c)$$

→ addition first?

$$(a + b) * c$$

- Java solves this problem by assigning priorities to operators (operator precedence)

→ operators with high priority are evaluated **before**

operators with low priority

→ operators with equal priority are evaluated **left to right**

Operator priority  
(highest to lowest)

1. ( )

2. \* / %

3. + -

4. =

# When in doubt, use parentheses

- $a + b * c = a + (b * c)$ 
  - ➡ because  $*$  has higher priority than  $+$
- To perform the  $+$  operation first we need to use parentheses
  - ➡  $(a + b) * c$
- **If in any doubt** use extra parentheses to ensure the correct order of evaluation
  - ➡ parentheses are free!
  - ➡ cause no extra work for the computer
  - ➡ only make it easier for you to work out what is happening

# Examples

- Java adheres to traditional order of operations

- \* and / have higher priority than + and -

```
int x = 3 + 5 * 6;           (x = 33)
```

```
int y = (3 + 5) * 6;       (y = 48)
```

- Parentheses are free, use them liberally

```
int z = ((3 + 5) * (6));   (z = 48)
```

- Equal priority operations are evaluated left-to-right in the absence of parentheses

```
int w = 3 * 4 / 2 * 6;     (w = 36)
```

```
int x = 3 * 4 / (2 * 6);   (x = 1)
```

```
int y = 3 * 4 + 2 * 6;     (y = 24)
```

```
int z = 3 * (4 + 2) * 6;   (z = 108)
```

# Syntax and semantics

- **Addition, subtraction: + and -, int and double**  
`int x = 21+4;                   (x = 25)`  
`double y = 14.1-2;           (y = 12.1)`
- **Multiplication: \*, int and double**  
`int x = 21*4;                   (x = 84)`  
`double y = 14.1*2.5;       (y = 35.25)`
- **Division: /, different for int and double**  
`int x = 21/4;                   (x = 5)`  
`double y = 21/4;               (y = 5.0)`  
`double y = 21/4.0;           (y = 5.25)`
- **Modulus: %, only for int**  
`int x = 21%4;                   (x = 1)`