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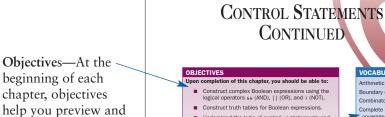
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# Overview of This Book

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Vocabulary Terms-This chapter-opening list draws your attention to important terms.

review chapter topics.

Code Samples— Plentiful examples show how to write effective Java code.

Short Essays on Special Topics—These notes of interest throughout the book elaborate on important programming issues.

Graphics and GUIs-Optional sections give you the opportunity to focus on topics related to modern graphics applications.

Boundary condition ■ Construct truth tables for Boolean expressions Understand the logic of nested if statements and extended if statements. ■ Test if statements in a comprehensive manner

Create appropriate test cases for if state and loops.

Construct nested loops.

This chapter explores more advanced statements introduced in Chapter 4. Topics tors, nested 1st statements, and nested to describes strategies for testing programs that ments. Programmers try to write programs errors, but they seldom succeed. Consequen "might." Software is so incredibly complex releasing them—and even so, errors will stil "might." Software is so incredibly complex released free of errors; however, the situation the importance of testing.

### 7.1 Logical Operators

Java includes three logical operators equ d NOT. These operators are used in the B

Unit 3 Arrays, Recursion, and Complexity

Extended if stateme

)
if (d > innerLimit)
 System.out.println (n + " is prime");

This Graphics and GUIs section gives you the opportunity to explore concepts and programming techniques required to develop modern graphics applications and graphical user interfaces. This material is not required in order to proceed with the other chapters of the book.

### RELIABILITY OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS

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### 11.13 Graphics and GUIs: Drawing Multiple Shapes

The TurtleGraphica package used earlier in this chapter automatically refreshes the graphics window with any images that the pen has drawn. In this section, we examine the related problem of how to maintain multiple shapes in graphics programs such as those discussed in Chapters 3 through 7.

### Java's Forgetful Bitmap

As we saw in previous chapters, images and shapes are painted in a GUI component by sending messages to that components' graphies context. This is normally done in the component's painted context. This is normally done in the component's bainted context. This is normally done in the component's bainted meeds to be refreshed. The method, which the JVM runs whenever the component's window meeds to be refreshed. The method repaint also accomplishes a refresh under program control. For example, the programmer can call repaint after an image or shape has changed position. This method calls paintecosponent, which paints the component's background color and redraws all of its shapes and images.

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The bitmap of a Java graphics context does not retain the information about images and shapes after they are drawn to a window. This phenomenon is known as a forgetful bitmap. That's why the programmer must write a painticomponent method and use respain for window refreshes. Actually, the forgetful bitmap is not much of a problem, as long as paintcomponent knows where to go to find information about the images and shapes to paint. We now consider some simple solutions to this problem.

### A Database of Circles

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To guarantee that all images and shapes are painted on each refresh, a graphics application must maintain information about them in a database. In this section, we show how to set up and manage a simple database of circles.

In Chapter 6, we designed and implemented a class for representing circles. We then showed how to use this class in a sample application, which draws two circles in a panel. At startup, the panel instantiates the two circles and saves references to them in two instance variables. When the panel needs refreshing, the method paintcomponent sends the appropriate messages to the two variables to paint the circles. (A note of caution: The Circles class discussed here is different from the one introduced in Section 11.4, which uses a turtle graphics pen to draw itself.)

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When there are more than one or two circles to be accessed, we can store them in an array The method paintComponent traverses the array to paint all of the circles. In addition, we can use the array to perform other functions, such as search for a circle that contains the current mouse coordinates.

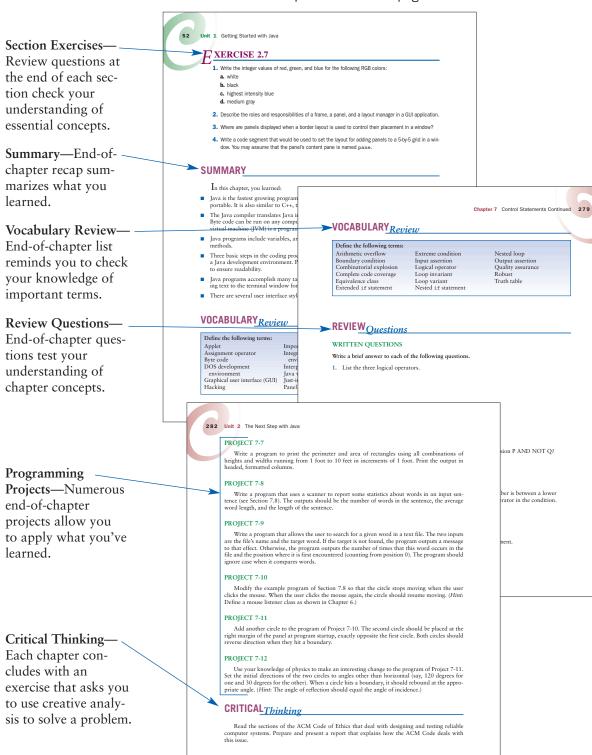
Coordinates.

Our first example program is a revised version of Example 6.5. This program displays two circles at startup and allows the user to move them around by dragging the mouse. In the new version of the program, an array of 10 circles replaces the two Circles instance variables in the ColorPanel class. The panel's constructor instantiates the array and fills it with circles of equal size and randomly generated color, paintcomponent paints all of the circles. The method mousePressed in the class PanelListener scarches the array for a circle that contains the mouse

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**PREFACE** 

This text is intended for a complete course in programming and problem solving. It covers the material of typical Computer Science 1 courses at the undergraduate level, but it is intended for the high school audience. It covers all the A-level Advanced Placement (AP) Java topics.

We present six major aspects of computing, some in standalone chapters and others spread across several chapters:

- 1. Programming Basics. This deals with the basic ideas related to solving problems with computers, including primitive data types, control structures, methods, algorithm development, and complexity analysis.
- 2. Object-Oriented Programming. OOP is today's dominant programming paradigm. All the essentials of this subject are covered.
- 3. Data and Information Processing. Fundamental data structures are discussed. These include strings, arrays, files, and lists. The general concept of abstract data type is introduced, and complexity analysis is used to evaluate the running times of different implementations of algorithms.
- 4. Software Development Life Cycle. Rather than isolate software development techniques in one or two chapters, the book deals with them throughout in the context of numerous case studies.
- 5. Graphical User Interfaces and Event-Driven Programming. Many books at this level restrict themselves to character-based terminal I/O. The reason is simple. Graphical user interfaces and event-driven programming usually are considered too complex for beginning students. In this book, we circumvent the complexity barrier and show how to develop programs with graphical user interfaces with almost the same ease as their terminal-based counterparts.
- 6. Web Basics. The programming of Web pages with HTML and applets is introduced.

# Focus on Fundamental Computer Science Topics

There seem to be two types of introductory Java textbooks. The first emphasizes basic problem-solving and programming techniques, and the second emphasizes language features. This book takes the former approach and introduces Java features as they are needed to support programming concepts. In this way, we cover all the AP-required syntax without allowing the book to be syntax-driven. Some more advanced Java features, not part of the AP requirement, are covered in end-of-chapter sections and in the appendices.

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# Methods and Objects, Early or Late?

Occasionally, people argue about whether methods and objects should be introduced early or late in the first course. In Java, even the simplest program involves both methods and objects, so the problem really becomes one of how to introduce these concepts in a clear and meaningful manner from the outset. Starting with the first program, we show how to instantiate and send messages to objects. The book's early chapters (2 through 5) focus on the use of objects, arithmetic expressions, control constructs, and algorithms in the context of short, simple programs. As programs become more complex, it becomes advantageous to decompose them into cooperating components. With this end in mind, Chapter 6 shows how to develop systems of cooperating classes and methods. Thus, we take a pragmatic rather than an ideological approach to the question of when to introduce methods and objects, having complete confidence that students will master both by the end of the course.

# Revisiting Control Structures, Classes, and Arrays

Years of teaching experience have demonstrated that beginning programming students struggle most with control structures, classes, and arrays. In this text, we have sought to soften the blow by introducing these ideas in two steps. First, a chapter gives an initial overview of a topic using the most basic features in simple but realistic applications. A follow-up chapter then revisits the topic to fill in and refine the details.

# New in This Edition

AP computer science now has a single exam, which still covers the material typically offered in the first college course in programming and problem solving with Java. Starting in 2010, the exam will include the following items:

- 1. The Java constants Integer.MAX\_VALUE and Integer.MIN\_VALUE
- 2. Static variables and methods
- 3. Two-dimensional arrays
- 4. The java.util.List interface

The first three items were already covered in the third edition of this book. This new edition has been updated to offer substantial coverage of two-dimensional arrays and the List interface. Two-dimensional arrays are explored in a new chapter (Chapter 12) on advanced array operations. The List interface is examined in a new chapter (Chapter 14) on Java collections, which include the single collection class, java.util.ArrayList, which is covered by the AP exam. Chapter 14 also includes a non-required preview of other collections that would typically be covered in the next college-level course following this one. (Some of this material was formerly included in the old AP AB course.)

The new edition also includes two entirely new chapters that provide examples of programming and problem solving in two contemporary areas of computing, media processing (Chapter 5) and networked applications (Chapter 15). The chapter on media computing provides an early

introduction to the use of objects and methods to represent and manipulate images and sound clips. The open-source Java toolkits, **images** and **sounds**, used in Chapter 5 are available at the author's Web site at *http://home.wlu.edu/~lambertk/hsjava*. Chapter 15 also introduces multithreading and sockets as means of managing communications between client and server programs on a network. Although none of the material in Chapters 5 or 15 is required for the AP exam, both chapters offer students exciting opportunities to learn the concepts and principles underlying the applications most users work with every day.

The text has been organized so that the optional topics covered in Chapter 5 (media computing), Chapter 13 (recursion and complexity), Chapter 14 (collections), and Chapter 15 (networked computing) can be skipped at the discretion of instructors. Whereas the third edition divided chapters into three units, this edition is divided into four, with the fourth and most advanced unit consisting of Chapters 13 through 15.

Finally, all of the code examples presented in this edition have been tested to be compliant with JDK 1.6.

# Case Studies, the Software Life Cycle, and Comments

The book contains numerous case studies. These are complete Java programs ranging from the simple to the substantial. To emphasize the importance and usefulness of the software development life cycle, case studies are presented in the framework of a user request followed by analysis, design, and implementation, with well-defined tasks performed at each stage. Some case studies are carried through several chapters or extended in end-of-chapter programming projects.

Programming consists of more than just writing code, so we encourage students to submit an analysis and design as part of major programming assignments. We also believe that code should be properly commented, and for purposes of illustration, we include comments in selected examples of the code in the book.

# **Exercises**

The book contains several different types of exercises. Most chapter sections end with exercise questions that reinforce the reading by asking basic questions about the material in the section. Each chapter ends with a set of review questions. All chapters except the first one include programming projects of varying degrees of difficulty. Each chapter concludes with a critical thinking activity that allows the student to reflect on a major topic covered in the chapter. Finally, each unit ends with a similar set of review questions, projects and a critical thinking activity.

# Special Features

Scattered throughout the book are short essays. These present historical and social aspects of computing, including computer ethics and security.

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# We Appreciate Your Feedback

We have greatly appreciated all of the helpful suggestions and comments from the many instructors who have used the previous edition of this book. As always, we have tried to produce a high-quality text, but should you encounter any errors, please report them to *klambert@wlu.edu*. Information about the book, as well as a list of errata (should they exist), will be posted on the following Web site: <a href="http://home.wlu.edu/~lambertk/hsjava">http://home.wlu.edu/~lambertk/hsjava</a>.

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