

Java's Number Types

Number Types

- `int`: integers, no fractional part

```
1, -4, 0
```

- `double`: floating-point numbers (double precision)

```
0.5, -3.11111, 4.3E24, 1E-14
```

Number Types

- A numeric computation overflows if the result falls outside the range for the number type

```
int n = 1000000;  
System.out.println(n * n); // prints -727379968
```

- Java: 8 primitive types, including four integer types and two floating point types

Primitive Types

Type	Description	Size
<code>int</code>	The integer type, with range $-2,147,483,648 \dots 2,147,483,647$	4 bytes
<code>byte</code>	The type describing a single byte, with range $-128 \dots 127$	1 byte
<code>short</code>	The short integer type, with range $-32768 \dots 32767$	2 bytes
<code>long</code>	The long integer type, with range $-9,223,372,036,854,775,808 \dots -9,223,372,036,854,775,807$	8 bytes

Primitive Types

Type	Description	Size
<code>double</code>	The double-precision floating-point type, with a range of about $\pm 10^{308}$ and about 15 significant decimal digits	8 bytes
<code>float</code>	The single-precision floating-point type, with a range of about $\pm 10^{38}$ and about 7 significant decimal digits	4 bytes
<code>char</code>	The character type, representing code units in the Unicode encoding scheme	2 bytes
<code>boolean</code>	The type with the two truth values <code>false</code> and <code>true</code>	1 byte

Number Types: Floating-point Types

- Rounding errors occur when an exact conversion between numbers is not possible

```
double f = 4.35;  
System.out.println(100 * f); // prints 434.99999999999994
```

- Java: Illegal to assign a floating-point expression to an integer variable

```
double balance = 13.75;  
int dollars = balance; // Error
```

Number Types: Floating-point Types

- Casts: used to convert a value to a different type

```
int dollars = (int) balance; // OK
```

Cast discards fractional part.

- `Math.round` converts a floating-point number to nearest integer

```
long rounded = Math.round(balance); // if balance is 13.75, then
// rounded is set to 14
```

Syntax 4.1: Cast

```
(typeName) expression
```

Example:
`(int) (balance * 100)`

Purpose:
To convert an expression to a different type

Constants: final

- A `final` variable is a constant
- Once its value has been set, it cannot be changed
- Named constants make programs easier to read and maintain
- Convention: use all-uppercase names for constants

```
final double QUARTER_VALUE = 0.25;
final double DIME_VALUE = 0.1;
final double NICKEL_VALUE = 0.05;
final double PENNY_VALUE = 0.01;
payment = dollars + quarters * QUARTER_VALUE + dimes * DIME_VALUE
+ nickels * NICKEL_VALUE + pennies * PENNY_VALUE;
```

Constants: static final

- If constant values are needed in several methods, declare them together with the instance fields of a class and tag them as `static` and `final`
- Give `static final` constants public access to enable other classes to use them

```
public class Math
{
    . . .
    public static final double E = 2.7182818284590452354;
    public static final double PI = 3.14159265358979323846;
}

double circumference = Math.PI * diameter;
```

Syntax 4.2: Constant Definition

In a method:
`final typeName variableName = expression ;`

In a class:
`accessSpecifier static final typeName variableName = expression;`

Example:
`final double NICKEL_VALUE = 0.05;`
`public static final double LITERS_PER_GALLON = 3.785;`

Purpose:
To define a constant in a method or a class