Homework 0

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Objective:

- 1. Getting started with Java on your system
- 2. Practice with some basic Java coding/compiling/debugging

Downloading Java

If you plan on working on your own machine, you will need to get a copy of the developer's kit. See http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/download.jsp

You need to download the JDK.

For Java Documentation, you should be familiar, but just in case please see: http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/api/index.html

You will find it useful to download it locally if you will not have a steady online connection.

Finding the Compiler

Java's compiler is called javac (or javac.exe [windows]) first make sure it is in your path:

Unix:

- 1. Log in to your account, to get a command shell
- 2. type >javac -help
 - a. if you see help, you are done
 - b. if it says: javac command not found proceed to "adding java to your path"

Windows:

- 1. start a command shell by:
 - a. start button
 - b. run
 - c. cmd
- 2. type >javac -?
 - a. If you see some help you are done
 - b. If you get an error proceed to "adding java to your path"

Adding Java to the Path

Unix:

1. to see the path >echo \$PATH

2. to locate where javac is installed type:

>locate javac

it should be obvious from the path names which one you want, you need to find

/something/something/jdk1.5.something/something/bin/

3. add it to your path (if you don't know how, ask around, or attend the Unix Classes

Hint: edit your path in you .profile

Checking Java Version

Go to a shell >iava –version

Hint: if you get an error, the path information was not set correctly.

Getting Help

For general Unix help you can type >man *command* Or

>info *command*

try to figure out what these command are:

mkdir, pwd, who, whoami, uname, tar, quota, cd, ls

Some Actual Homework

Ok, Lets get started:

- 1. Download the sample code (homework_0_code.tar.gz) from the class website.
- 2. unpack it (unix: tar xzf homework_0_code.tar.gz)
- 3. see the README file in the main directory

Good Luck!