



CS 149

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Review of Java Primitive Types

Java Primitive Types

Keyword	Size	Min Value	Max Value
byte	1 byte	-128	127
short	2 bytes	-32,768	32,767
int	4 bytes	-2^{31}	$2^{31} - 1$
long	8 bytes	-2^{63}	$2^{63} - 1$
float	4 bytes	$\pm 3.4 \times 10^{-38}$	$\pm 3.4 \times 10^{38}$
double	8 bytes	$\pm 1.7 \times 10^{-308}$	$\pm 1.7 \times 10^{308}$
boolean	Depends on JVM	false	true
char	2 bytes	'\u0000'	'\uffff'

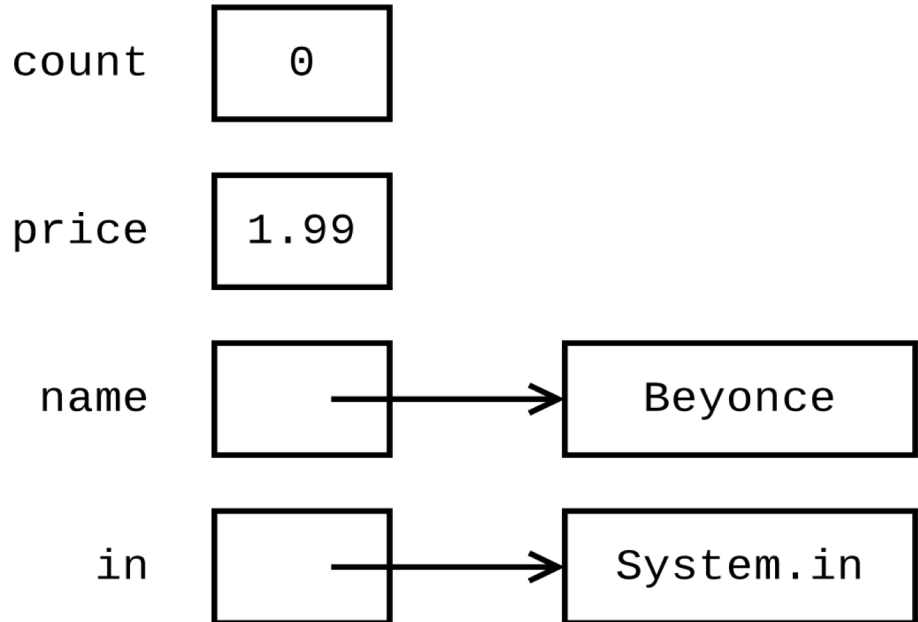


Reference Types in JAVA

- A **reference** is a variable that refers to something else and can be used as an alias for that something else.
- You have already used a reference (Scanner and String are examples of types that are references).
- In general, anything that is not one of the **primitive** types is a reference.

Reference Types 1

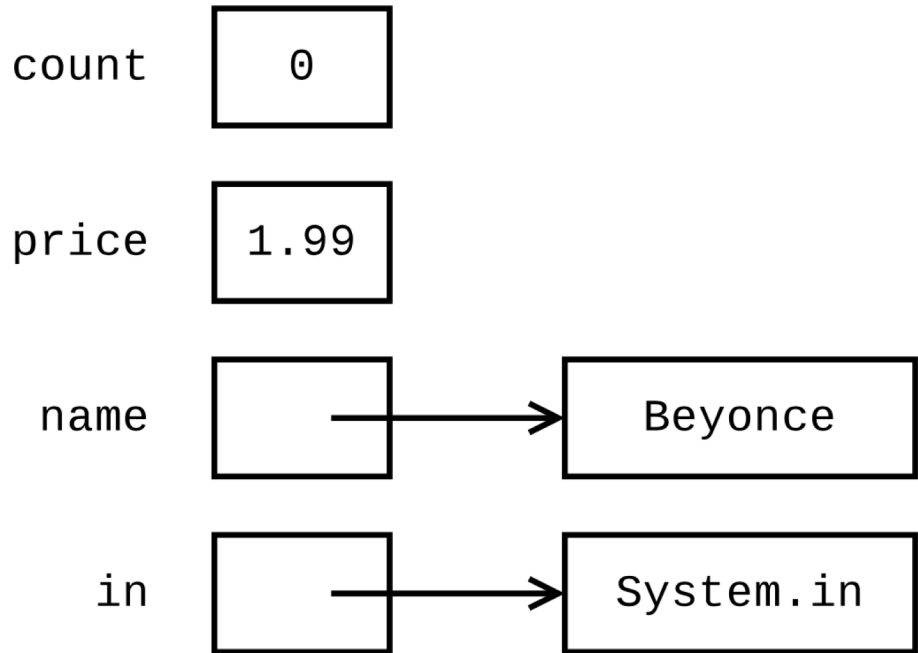
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double price;  
String name;  
Scanner in;  
  
count = 0;  
price = 1.99;  
name = "Beyonce";  
in = new Scanner(System.in);
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- What are the reference types in the example above?
- What is the difference between primitive and reference type names?
- Variables in Java can use at most eight bytes of memory. The values "Beyonce" and System.in cannot be stored directly in the memory locations for name and in.
- What is the value of the variable count? What is the value of the variable price?

Reference Types 2

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- What is the value of the variable `name`?
- What is the value of the variable `in`?
- Carefully explain what it means to assign one variable to another. For example, what does the statement `price = count`; do in terms of memory?



Ref Type Model

Draw a memory diagram for the following code.

```
int width;  
double score;  
Scanner input;  
String first;  
String other;  
width = 20;  
score = 0.94;  
input = new Scanner(System.in);  
first = "Taylor";  
score = width;  
other = first;
```

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