Dear Reader,

Many of you have provided feedback on earlier editions of this book, and your comments and suggestions have greatly improved the book. This edition has been substantially enhanced in presentation, organization, examples, exercises, and supplements. We have:

- Reorganized sections and chapters to present the subjects in a more logical order
- Included many new interesting examples and exercises to stimulate interests
- Updated to Java 7
- Created animations for algorithms and data structures to visually demonstrate the concepts
- Redesigned the support Website to make it easier to navigate

This book teaches programming in a problem-driven way that focuses on problem solving rather than syntax. We make introductory programming interesting by using thought-provoking problems in a broad context. The central thread of early chapters is on problem solving. Appropriate syntax and library are introduced to enable readers to write programs for solving the problems. To support the teaching of programming in a problem-driven way, the book provides a wide variety of problems at various levels of difficulty to motivate students. To appeal to students in all majors, the problems cover many application areas, including math, science, business, financial, gaming, animation, and multimedia.

The book focuses on fundamentals first by introducing basic programming concepts and techniques before designing custom classes. The fundamental concepts and techniques of loops, methods, and arrays are the foundation for programming. Building this strong foundation prepares students to learn object-oriented programming and advanced Java programming.

This comprehensive version covers fundamentals of programming, object-oriented programming, GUI programming, algorithms and data structures, concurrency, networking, internationalization, advanced GUI, database, and Web programming. It is designed to prepare students to become proficient Java programmers. A brief version (Introduction to Java Programming, Brief Version, Ninth Edition) is available for a first course on programming, commonly known as CS1. The brief version contains the first 20 chapters of the comprehensive version.

The best way to teach programming is by example, and the only way to learn programming is by doing. Basic concepts are explained by example, and a large number of exercises with various levels of difficulty are provided for students to practice. For our programming courses, we assign programming exercises after each lecture.

Our goal is to produce a text that teaches problem solving and programming in a broad context using a wide variety of interesting examples. If you have any comments on and suggestions for improving the book, please email me.

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What’s New in This Edition?

This edition substantially improves *Introduction to Java Programming*, Eighth Edition. The major improvements are as follows:

- This edition is completely revised in every detail to enhance clarity, presentation, content, examples, and exercises.
- New examples and exercises are provided to motivate and stimulate student interest in programming.
- Each section starts with a Key Point that highlights the important concepts covered in the section.
- Check Points provide review questions to help students track their progress and evaluate their learning after a major concept or example is covered.
- Each chapter provides test questions online. They are grouped by sections for students to do self-test. The questions are graded online.
- New VideoNotes provide short video tutorials designed to reinforce code.
- The Java GUI API is an excellent example of how the object-oriented principle is applied. Students learn better with concrete and visual examples. So basic GUI/Graphics is moved before introducing abstract classes and interfaces. You can however still choose to cover abstract classes and interfaces before GUI or skip GUI.
- The numeric wrapper classes, `BigInteger` and `BigDecimal` are now introduced in Chapter 10 to enable students to write code using these classes early.
- Exception handling is covered before abstract classes and interfaces so that students can build robust programs early. The instructor can still choose to cover exception handling later. Text I/O is now combined with exception handling to form a new chapter.
- Simple use of generics is introduced along with `ArrayList` in Chapter 11 and with `Comparable` in Chapter 15 while the complex detail on generics is still kept in Chapter 21.
- Chapter 22 is split into two chapters (Chapter 22 and Chapter 23) to make room for incorporating three new case studies to demonstrate effective use of data structures.
- Chapter 24 is expanded to introduce algorithmic techniques: dynamic programming, divide-and-conquer, backtracking, and greedy algorithm with new examples to design efficient algorithms.
- Visual animations are created to show how data structures and algorithms work.
- A common problem with a data structures course is lack of good examples and exercises. This edition added many new interesting examples and exercises.
- Parallel programming techniques are introduced in Chapter 32, Multithreading and Parallel Programming.
- Chapter 44 is completely new to introduce the latest standard on JSF.
- Chapter 50 is completely new to introduce testing using JUnit.

Please visit [www.cs.armstrong.edu/liang/intro9e/newfeatures.html](http://www.cs.armstrong.edu/liang/intro9e/newfeatures.html) for a complete list of new features as well as correlations to the previous edition.
Pedagogical Features

The book uses the following elements to help students get the most from the material:

- The Objectives at the beginning of each chapter list what students should learn from the chapter. This will help them determine whether they have met the objectives after completing the chapter.

- The Introduction opens the discussion with representative problems to give the reader an overview of what to expect from the chapter.

- Key Points highlight the important concepts covered in each section.

- Check Points provide review questions to help students track their progress as they read through the chapter and evaluate their learning.

- Problems and Case Studies, carefully chosen and presented in an easy-to-follow style, teach problem solving and programming concepts. The book uses many small, simple, and stimulating examples to demonstrate important ideas.

- The Chapter Summary reviews the important subjects that students should understand and remember. It helps them reinforce the key concepts they have learned in the chapter.

- Test Questions are accessible online, grouped by sections, for students to do self-test on programming concepts and techniques.

- Programming Exercises are grouped by sections to provide students with opportunities to apply the new skills they have learned on their own. The level of difficulty is rated as easy (no asterisk), moderate (*), hard (**), or challenging (***)  The trick of learning programming is practice, practice, and practice. To that end, the book provides a great many exercises.

- Notes, Tips, Cautions, and Design Guides are inserted throughout the text to offer valuable advice and insight on important aspects of program development.

Flexible Chapter Orderings

The book is designed to provide flexible chapter orderings to enable GUI, exception handling, recursion, generics, and the Java Collections Framework to be covered earlier or later. The diagram on the next page shows the chapter dependencies.

Organization of the Book

The chapters can be grouped into five parts that, taken together, form a comprehensive introduction to Java programming, data structures and algorithms, and database and Web programming. Because knowledge is cumulative, the early chapters provide the conceptual basis
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for understanding programming and guide students through simple examples and exercises; subsequent chapters progressively present Java programming in detail, culminating with the development of comprehensive Java applications. The appendices contain a mixed bag of topics, including an introduction to number systems and bitwise operations.

Part I: Fundamentals of Programming (Chapters 1–7)
The first part of the book is a stepping stone, preparing you to embark on the journey of learning Java. You will begin to learn about Java (Chapter 1) and fundamental programming techniques with primitive data types, variables, constants, assignments, expressions, and operators (Chapter 2), control statements (Chapters 3–4), methods (Chapter 5), and arrays (Chapters 6–7). After Chapter 6, you can jump to Chapter 20 to learn how to write recursive methods for solving inherently recursive problems.

Part II: Object-Oriented Programming (Chapters 8–11, 14–15, and 19)
This part introduces object-oriented programming. Java is an object-oriented programming language that uses abstraction, encapsulation, inheritance, and polymorphism to provide great flexibility, modularity, and reusability in developing software. You will learn programming with objects and classes (Chapters 8–10), class inheritance (Chapter 11), polymorphism (Chapter 11), exception handling and text I/O (Chapter 14), abstract classes (Chapter 15), and interfaces (Chapter 15). Processing strings is introduced in Chapter 9, and binary I/O is discussed in Chapter 19.

Part III: GUI Programming (Chapters 12–13, 16–18, and Bonus Chapters 36–40 and 49)
This part introduces elementary Java GUI programming in Chapters 12–13 and 16–18 and advanced Java GUI programming in Chapters 36–40 and 49. Major topics include GUI basics (Chapter 12), drawing shapes (Chapter 13), event-driven programming (Chapter 16), using GUI components (Chapter 17), and writing applets (Chapter 18). You will learn the architecture of Java GUI programming and use the GUI components to develop applications and applets from these elementary GUI chapters. The advanced GUI chapters discuss Java GUI programming in more depth and breadth. You will delve into JavaBeans and learn how to develop custom events and source components in Chapter 36, review and explore new containers, layout managers, and borders in Chapter 37, learn how to create GUI with menus, popup menus, toolbars, dialogs, and internal frames in Chapter 38, develop components using the MVC approach and explore the advanced Swing components JSpinner, JList, and JComboBox in Chapter 39, and JTable and JTree in Chapter 40. Chapter 49 introduces Java 2D.

Part IV: Data Structures and Algorithms (Chapters 20–31 and Bonus Chapters 47–48)
This part covers the main subjects in a typical data structures course. Chapter 20 introduces recursion to write methods for solving inherently recursive problems. Chapter 21 presents how generics can improve software reliability. Chapters 22 and 23 introduce the Java Collection Framework, which defines a set of useful API for data structures. Chapter 24 discusses measuring algorithm efficiency in order to choose an appropriate algorithm for applications. Chapter 25 describes classic sorting algorithms. You will learn how to implement several classic data structures lists, queues, and priority queues in Chapter 26. Chapters 27 and 29 introduce binary search trees and AVL trees. Chapter 28 presents hashing and implementing maps and sets using hashing. Chapters 30 and 31 introduce graph applications. The 2-4 trees, B-trees, and red-black trees are covered in Chapters 47–48.

Part V: Advanced Java Programming (Chapters 32–33 and Bonus Chapters 35, 41–46, and 50)
This part of the book is devoted to advanced Java programming. Chapter 32 treats the use of multithreading to make programs more responsive and interactive and introduces parallel programming. Chapter 33 discusses how to write programs that talk with each other.
over the Internet. Chapter 34 introduces the use of Java to develop database projects, and
Chapter 35 covers the use of internationalization support to develop projects for interna-
tional audiences. Chapter 41 delves into advanced Java database programming. Bonus
Chapters 42, 43 and 44 introduce how to use Java servlets, JavaServer Pages, and
JavaServer Faces to generate dynamic content from Web servers. Chapter 45 discusses
Web services, and Chapter 46 introduces remote method invocation. Chapter 50 introduces
testing Java programs using JUnit.

Appendices
This part of the book covers a mixed bag of topics. Appendix A lists Java keywords.
Appendix B gives tables of ASCII characters and their associated codes in decimal and in
hex. Appendix C shows the operator precedence. Appendix D summarizes Java modifiers and
their usage. Appendix E discusses special floating-point values. Appendix F introduces num-
ber systems and conversions among binary, decimal, and hex numbers. Finally, Appendix G
introduces bitwise operations.

Java Development Tools
You can use a text editor, such as the Windows Notepad or WordPad, to create Java programs
and to compile and run the programs from the command window. You can also use a Java
development tool, such as TextPad, NetBeans, or Eclipse. These tools support an integrated
development environment (IDE) for developing Java programs quickly. Editing, compiling,
building, executing, and debugging programs are integrated in one graphical user interface.
Using these tools effectively can greatly increase your programming productivity. TextPad is
a primitive IDE tool. NetBeans and Eclipse are more sophisticated, but they are easy to use if
you follow the tutorials. Tutorials on TextPad, NetBeans, and Eclipse can be found in the sup-
plements on the Companion Website www.cs.armstrong.edu/liang/intro9e.

Online Practice and Assessment with MyProgrammingLab
MyProgrammingLab helps students fully grasp the logic, semantics, and syntax of program-
ing. Through practice exercises and immediate, personalized feedback, MyProgrammingLab
improves the programming competence of beginning students who often struggle with the
basic concepts and paradigms of popular high-level programming languages.

A self-study and homework tool, a MyProgrammingLab course consists of hundreds
of small practice problems organized around the structure of this textbook. For students, the
system automatically detects errors in the logic and syntax of their code submissions and
offers targeted hints that enable students to figure out what went wrong—and why. For
instructors, a comprehensive gradebook tracks correct and incorrect answers and stores the
code inputted by students for review.

MyProgrammingLab is offered to users of this book in partnership with Turing’s Craft, the
makers of the CodeLab interactive programming exercise system. For a full demonstration, to
see feedback from instructors and students, or to get started using MyProgrammingLab in
your course, visit www.myprogramminglab.com.

VideoNotes
We are excited about the new VideoNotes feature that is found in this new edition. These videos
provide additional help by presenting examples of key topics and showing how to solve problems
completely, from design through coding. VideoNotes are free to first time users and can be
accessed by redeeming the access code in the front of this book at www.pearsonhighered.com/liang.
LiveLab

This book is accompanied by a complementary Web-based course assessment and management system for instructors. The system has four main components:

- The **Automatic Grading System** can automatically grade programs.
- The **Quiz Creation/Submission/Grading System** enables instructors to create and modify quizzes that students can take and be graded upon automatically.
- The **Peer Evaluation System** enables peer evaluations.
- Tracking grades, attendance, etc., lets students track their grades, and enables instructors to view the grades of all students and to track students’ attendance.

The main features of the Automatic Grading System include:

- Students can run and submit exercises. (The system checks whether their program runs correctly—students can continue to run and resubmit the program before the due date.)
- Instructors can review submissions, run programs with instructor test cases, correct them, provide feedback to students, and check plagiarism.
- Instructors can create/modify their own exercises, create public and secret test cases, assign exercises, and set due dates for the whole class or for individuals.
- Instructors can assign all the exercises in the text to students. Additionally, LiveLab provides extra exercises that are not printed in the text.
- Instructors can sort and filter all exercises and check grades (by time frame, student, and/or exercise).
- Instructors can delete students from the system.
- Students and instructors can track grades on exercises.

The main features of the Quiz System are:

- Instructors can create/modify quizzes from the test bank or a text file or create completely new tests online.
- Instructors can assign the quizzes to students and set a due date and test time limit for the whole class or for individuals.
- Students and instructors can review submitted quizzes.
- Instructors can analyze quizzes and identify students’ weaknesses.
- Students and instructors can track grades on quizzes.

The main features of the Peer Evaluation System include:

- Instructors can assign peer evaluation for programming exercises.
- Instructors can view peer evaluation reports.

**Student Resource Website**

The Student Resource Website (www.cs.armstrong.edu/liang/intro9e) contains the following resources:

- Answers to check point questions
Instructor Resource Website

The Instructor Resource Website, accessible from www.cs.armstrong.edu/liang/intro9e, contains the following resources:

- Microsoft PowerPoint slides with interactive buttons to view full-color, syntax-highlighted source code and to run programs without leaving the slides.
- Solutions to all programming exercises. Students will have access to the solutions of even-numbered programming exercises.
- Web-based quiz generator. (Instructors can choose chapters to generate quizzes from a large database of more than two thousand questions.)
- Sample exams. Most exams have four parts:
  - Multiple-choice questions or short-answer questions
  - Correct programming errors
  - Trace programs
  - Write programs
- Projects. In general, each project gives a description and asks students to analyze, design, and implement the project.

Some readers have requested the materials from the Instructor Resource Website. Please understand that these are for instructors only. Such requests will not be answered.

Algorithm Animations

We have provided numerous animations for algorithms. These are valuable pedagogical tools to demonstrate how algorithms work. Algorithm animations can be accessed from the Companion Website.

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