Input from Files

Buffered Reader



- Input from files is always text.
- You can convert it to ints using Integer.parseInt()
- We use BufferedReaders to minimize the number of reads to the file.
- The Buffer reads a whole chunk of information from the file and hands it to us one piece at a time.
- That way, each read operation is faster.

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       String next = in.readLine ();
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                                                Looping until done.
       String next = in.readLine ();
       while (next != null) { -
             total += Integer.parseInt (next);
             next = in.readLine ();
                                               Converting a line to an
                                                         integer
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