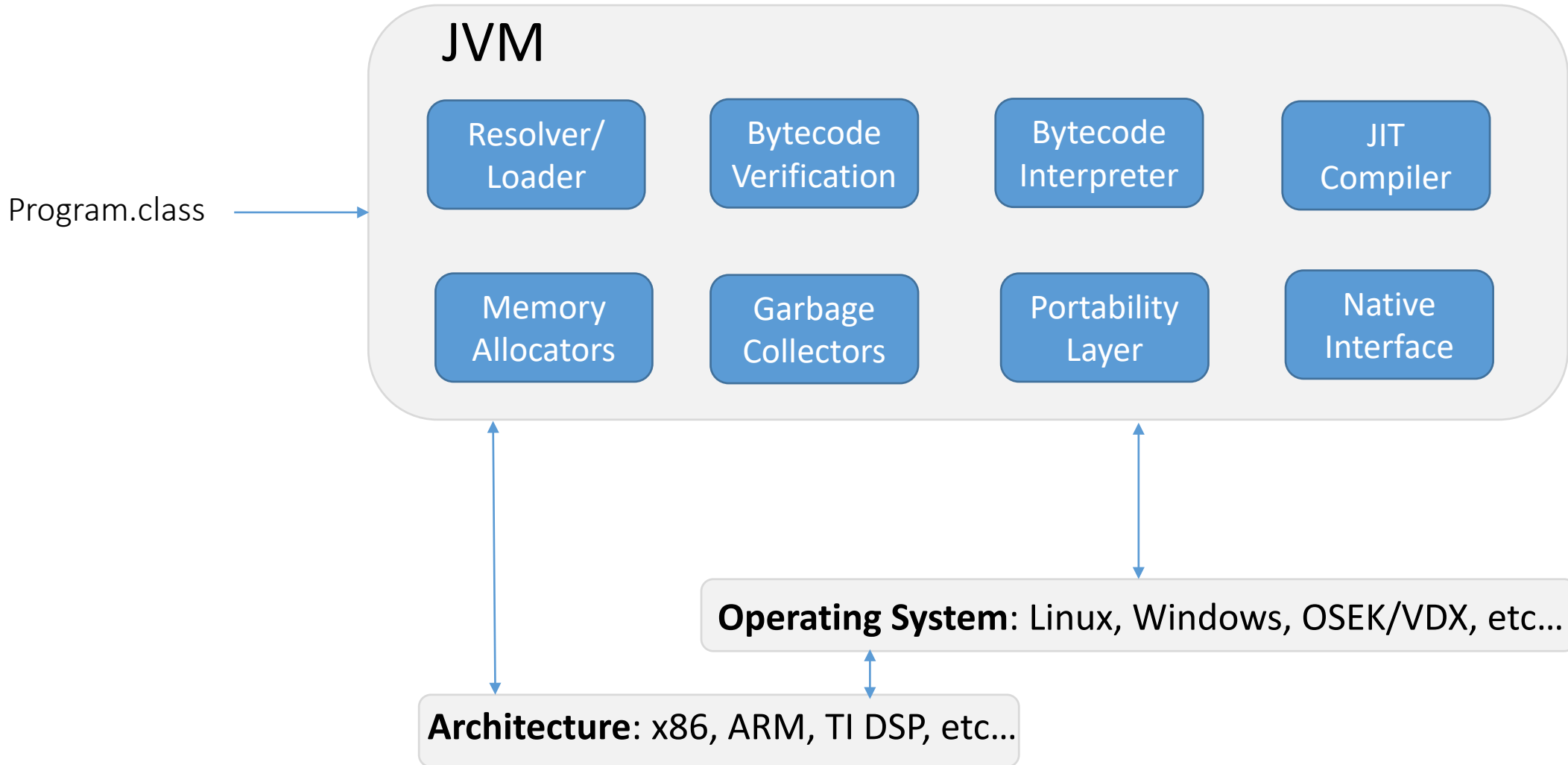


# Key JVM Components



```
class Test {
  static int x;
  double d;
```

Pushes content of local variable 0 (note: the variable is of a reference type) to the stack.

```
    Constructor for class Test
  Test(),
  Code:
```

Invoke constructor for the superclass of Test, that is, java.lang.Object...and clear the stack.

```
    0: aload_0
    1: invokespecial #1 // Method java/lang/Object."<init>": ()V
    4: return
```

Native method. Its implementation could be provided for example in a C/C++ library.

```
public static native int print(double);
```

```
public double pp(int);
```

Pushes content of local variable 1 (type integer) to stack.

```
Code:
```

```
    0: iload_1
    1: i2d
    2: dreturn
```

convert the integer on the stack to a double.

Pop value from stack and return it.

```
static {}; JVM invokes this code before main()
```

```
Code:
```

```
    0: sipush    2018
    3: putstatic #5 // Field x:I
    6: return
```

push constant 2018 of type short (hence: si) to stack

pop 2018 from stack and write it to static field x.

```
}
```

# Different kinds of errors

1. Compiler errors
2. Runtime errors
3. Logic errors

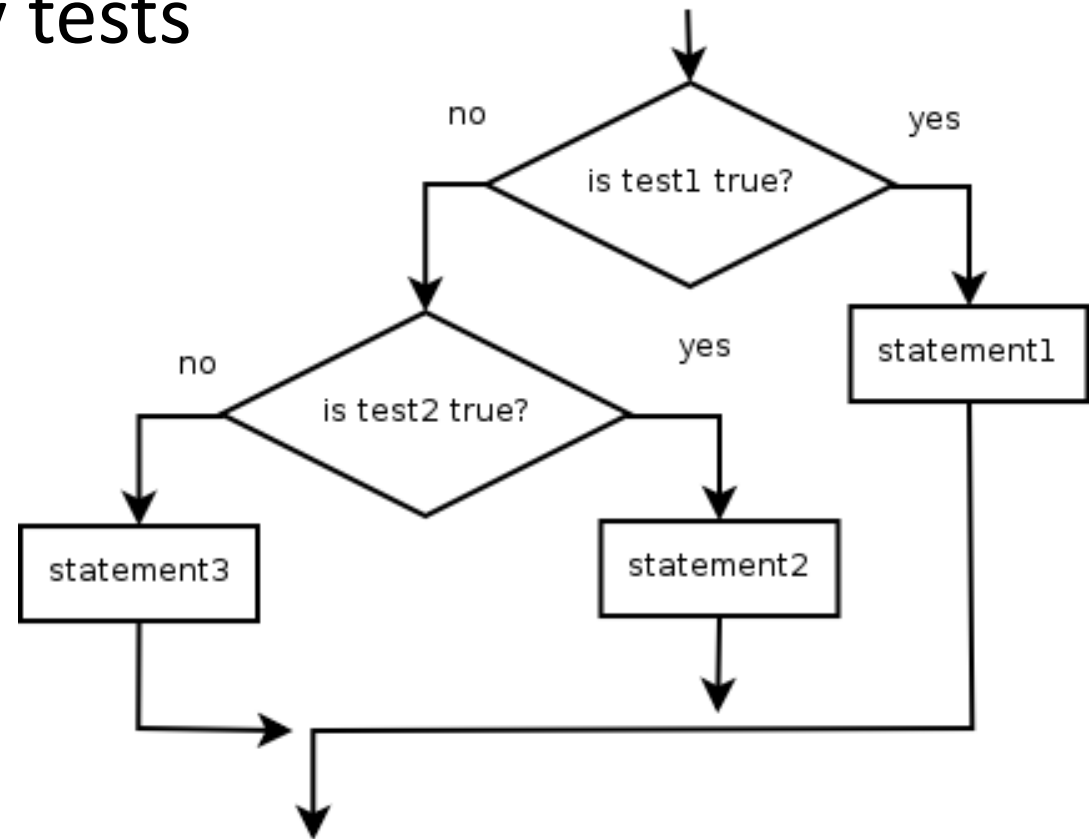
# Nested if/else

Chooses between outcomes using many tests

```
if (test) {  
    statement(s);  
} else if (test) {  
    statement(s);  
} else {  
    statement(s);  
}
```

Example:

```
if (x > 0) {  
    System.out.println("Positive");  
} else if (x < 0) {  
    System.out.println("Negative");  
} else {  
    System.out.println("Zero");  
}
```



Tip: in parallelism/concurrency...try to have the if /else's read from a local variable.

# Arrays, Strings, Identity and Equality, (Im)Mutability and Optimizations

```
int[] a1 = new int[] {1,2,3};  
int[] a2 = new int[] {1,2,3};
```

```
System.out.println("a1 == a2? " + (a1 == a2));  
System.out.println("a1.equals(a2)? " + a1.equals(a2));  
System.out.println("Arrays.equals(a1, a2)? " + Arrays.equals(a1, a2));
```

```
String s1 = "ETH";  
String s2 = "ETH";  
// String s2 = s1.charAt(0) + "TH";
```

```
System.out.println("s1 == s2? " + (s1 == s2));  
System.out.println("s1.equals(s2)? " + s1.equals(s2));
```

# Language features vs. parallelism: Guidelines

- Keep variables **as 'local' as possible**: global variables means they can be accessed by various parallel activities. While when its local to the process/thread, we are safe against inadvertent accesses to the variable.
- If possible, **avoid aliasing** of references: aliasing can lead to unexpected updates to memory through a process that accesses a seemingly unrelated variable (named differently).
- If possible, **avoid mutable state, in particular when aliased**: aliasing is no problem if the shared object is immutable, but concurrent mutations can make bugs *really* hard to reproduce and investigate (“Heisenbugs”)