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Object Oriented Paradigm

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Inheritance in Java- II (super keyword)

-the ability in **Java** for one class to **inherit** from another class.

BoxWeight class Extends Box class – Add weight data member

```
class BoxWeight extends Box {  
    double weight;  
    // weight of box  
    // constructor for BoxWeight
```

```
BoxWeight(double w, double h,  
double d, double m) {  
    width = w;  
    height = h;  
    depth = d;  
    weight = m;  
}  
}
```

```
class DemoBoxWeight
```

```
{  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        BoxWeight mybox1 = new BoxWeight(10, 20, 15, 34.3);  
        BoxWeight mybox2 = new BoxWeight(2, 3, 4, 0.076);  
        double vol;  
        vol = mybox1.volume();  
        System.out.println("Volume of mybox1 is " + vol);  
        System.out.println("Weight of mybox1 is " + mybox1.weight);  
        System.out.println();  
        vol = mybox2.volume();  
        System.out.println("Volume of mybox2 is " + vol);  
        System.out.println("Weight of mybox2 is " + mybox2.weight);  
    }  
}
```

Super Keyword

- In prev eg: Classes derived from **Box** were not implemented as efficiently or as robustly as they could have been. For example, the constructor for **BoxWeight** explicitly initializes the **width**, **height**, and **depth** fields of **Box()**.
- Not only does this duplicate code found in its superclass, which is inefficient, but it implies that a subclass must be granted access to these members.

Super keyword

Whenever a subclass needs to refer to its immediate Superclass, it can do so by use of the **keyword super**. **super** has two general forms.

- The first calls the superclass' constructor.
- The second is used to access a member of the superclass that has been hidden by a member of a subclass

Using super to Call Superclass Constructors

- A subclass can call a constructor method defined by its superclass by use of the following form of **super**:
super(*parameter-list*);
- Here, *parameter-list* specifies any parameters needed by the constructor in the superclass.
- **super()** must always be the first statement executed inside a subclass' constructor.

Improved version of BoxWeight

```
// BoxWeight now uses super to initialize its Box
attributes.
class BoxWeight extends Box {
double weight; // weight of box
// initialize width, height, and depth using super()
BoxWeight(double w, double h, double d, double m) {
super(w, h, d); // call superclass constructor
weight = m;
}
}
```

```

1 package typesinheritance;
2
3 //Extend BoxWeight to include shipping costs.
4 //Start with Box.
5 class Box {
6     private double width;
7     private double height;
8     private double depth;
9     //construct clone of an object
10    Box(Box ob) { // pass object to constructor
11        width = ob.width;
12        height = ob.height;
13        depth = ob.depth;
14    }
15    //constructor used when all dimensions specified
16    Box(double w, double h, double d) {
17        width = w;
18        height = h;
19        depth = d;
20    }
21    // constructor used when no dimensions specified
22    Box() {
23        width = -1; // use -1 to indicate
24        height = -1; // an uninitialized
25        depth = -1; // box
26    }
27    // constructor used when cube is created
28    Box(double len) {
29        width = height = depth = len;
30    }

```

```

// compute and return volume
double volume() {
    return width * height * depth;
}
}
// Add weight.
class BoxWeight extends Box {
    double weight; // weight of box
    // construct clone of an object
    BoxWeight(BoxWeight ob) { // pass object to constructor
        super(ob);
        weight = ob.weight;
    }
    // constructor when all parameters are specified
    BoxWeight(double w, double h, double d, double m) {
        super(w, h, d); // call superclass constructor
        weight = m;
    }
    // default constructor
    BoxWeight() {
        super();
        weight = -1;
    }
    //constructor used when cube is created
    BoxWeight(double len, double m) {
        super(len);
        weight = m;
    }
}

```

```

//Add shipping costs
class Shipment extends BoxWeight {
double cost;
//construct clone of an object
Shipment(Shipment ob) { // pass object to construct
super(ob);
cost = ob.cost;
}
//constructor when all parameters are specified
Shipment(double w, double h, double d,
double m, double c) {
super(w, h, d, m); // call superclass constructor
cost = c;
}
//default constructor
Shipment() {
super();
cost = -1;
}
//constructor used when cube is created
Shipment(double len, double m, double c) {
super(len, m);
cost = c;
}
}

```

```

public class superkeyword {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Shipment shipment1 = new Shipment(10, 20, 15, 10, 3.41);
        Shipment shipment2 =
            new Shipment(2, 3, 4, 0.76, 1.28);
        double vol;
        vol = shipment1.volume();
        System.out.println("Volume of shipment1 is " + vol);
        System.out.println("Weight of shipment1 is "
            + shipment1.weight);
        System.out.println("Shipping cost: $" + shipment1.cost);
        System.out.println();
        vol = shipment2.volume();
        System.out.println("Volume of shipment2 is " + vol);
        System.out.println("Weight of shipment2 is "
            + shipment2.weight);
        System.out.println("Shipping cost: $" + shipment2.cost);

    }

    Volume of shipment1 is 3000.0
    Weight of shipment1 is 10.0
    Shipping cost: $3.41
    Volume of shipment2 is 24.0
    Weight of shipment2 is 0.76
    Shipping cost: $1.28
}

```

A Second Use for super

- The second form of **super** acts somewhat like **this**, except that it always refers to the superclass of the subclass in which it is used. This usage has the following general form:

super.member

- Here, *member* can be either a method or an instance variable.
- This second form of **super** is most applicable to situations in which member names of a subclass hide members by the same name in the superclass.

```
// Using super to overcome name hiding.
class A {
int i;
}
// Create a subclass by extending class A.
class B extends A {
int i; // this i hides the i in A
B(int a, int b) {
super.i = a; // i in A
i = b; // i in B
}
```

```
void show() {
System.out.println("i in superclass: " +
super.i);
System.out.println("i in subclass: " + i);
}
}
class UseSuper {
public static void main(String args[]) {
B subOb = new B(1, 2);
subOb.show();
}
}
```

Output
i in superclass: 1
i in subclass: 2

Namah Shivaya!