CSE3040 Java Language Lecture 08: Object-Oriented Programming (2)

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Creating an Array of Objects

- It is possible to define an array of objects.
- In that case, each element of the array must be separately created.
 - new Employee[3] only creates an array space for three objects.

```
class Employee {
    private String name;
    public Employee(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }
    public String getName() {
        return this.name;
    }
}

public class Lecture {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Employee m[] = new Employee[3];
        m[0] = new Employee("Mario");
        m[1] = new Employee("Luigi");
        m[2] = new Employee("Toad");
        System.out.println(m[0].getName());
    }
}
```



Instance Variable Instantiation

- You can assign initial value to an instance variable.
 - String name = "Joe";
 - If a variable is not initialized, they are assigned default values.
 - For example, a default initial value for a String object is null.

```
class Employee {
    private String name = "Joe";
    public void setName(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }
    public String getName() {
        return this.name;
    }
}

public class Lecture {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Employee m = new Employee();
        System.out.println(m.getName());
    }
}
```



Default Initialization

- If an instance variable is not initialized, it is assigned a default value.
 - numbers: 0, boolean: false, objects: null
- Local variables must be initialized.
 - Otherwise, an error occurs.

```
class Employee {
    private int salary;
    public int getSalary() {
        return this.salary;
    }
}

public class Lecture {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Employee m = new Employee();
        System.out.println(m.getSalary());
        int local_var;
        System.out.println(local_var); // Error: local variable not initialized!
    }
}
```



Final Instance Variable

 If an instance variable is declared using keyword final, the value of the variable can only be set in a constructor.



Static Variable

- When defining a class, a variable can be defined as a static variable.
 - A static variable belongs to the class, and not the instances of the class.
 - In contrast, an instance variable is independent for each instance.
 - A static variable is "shared" among all instances.

```
class Employee {
    private static int lastId = 0;
    private int id;
    public Employee() { id = ++lastId; }
    public int getId() { return this.id; }
    public int getLastId() { return this.lastId; }
}

public class Lecture {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Employee m = new Employee();
        Employee n = new Employee();
        System.out.println(m.getId());
        System.out.println(n.getLastId());
        System.out.println(n.getLastId());
        System.out.println(n.getLastId());
    }
}
```



Static Variable

- A static variable is typically initialized with variable declaration.
- Also, a static initialization block can be used to initialize static variables.

```
class Employee {
    private static int lastId;
    static {
        lastId = 0;
    private int id;
    public Employee() { id = ++lastId; }
    public int getId() { return this.id; }
    public int getLastId() { return this.lastId; }
public class Lecture {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Employee m = new Employee();
        Employee n = new Employee();
        System.out.println(m.getId());
        System.out.println(n.getId());
        System.out.println(m.getLastId());
        System.out.println(n.getLastId());
```



Static final Variable

- Typically, constants that are related to a class is defined as static variables.
- The library class Math has a static variable called PI.
 - If PI is not a static variable, an object of class Math must be created in order to use the constant.

```
// defined in library
public class Math {
    public static final double PI = 3.14159265358979323846;
}
public class Lecture {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(Math.PI);
    }
}
```

- System.out is a static final variable
 - Defined in the definition of class System.

```
// defined in library
public class System {
   public static final PrintStream out;
   ...
}
```



Static Method

- A static method is a method that does not belong to specific instances but belongs to the class itself.
 - You do not need to create an instance to call a static method.
- The method pow of class Math is a static method.
 - When calling a static method, class name is used instead of object name
 - Math.pow(2, 5);
- The main method is also defined as a static method.

```
public class Lecture {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello World!");
    }
}
```



Static Variable and Static Method

- It is possible that you can access a static variable from an instance method.
- However, in principle you should access static variables using static methods.
- You cannot use this in a static method.
 - this indicates the object, but static methods are not related to objects.
- A static method cannot access an instance variable.

```
class Employee {
    private static int lastId = 0;
    private int id;
    public Employee() { id = ++lastId; }
    public int getId() { return this.id; } // getId cannot be a static method
    public static int getLastId() { return lastId; } // cannot use this.lastId
}

public class Lecture {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(Employee.getLastId());
        Employee m = new Employee();
        System.out.println(Employee.getLastId());
    }
}
```



Java: Call-by-Value

- Java uses Call-by-Value principle when calling methods.
- Call-by-Value
 - When calling a method, the values of arguments are copied to the parameters in the method.
 - In the example below, changing values of a and b does not affect values of a1 and a2.

```
public class Lecture {

public static void swap(int a, int b) {
    int temp = a;
    a = b;
    b = temp;
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    int a1 = 10;
    int a2 = 20;
    swap(a1, a2);
    System.out.println(a1 + " " + a2);
}
```



Java: Call-by-Value

- You must be careful about the results when arrays and objects are passed to methods.
 - When an array is passed as an argument, the reference to the array (memory address of the array) is passed using call-by-value.

```
public class Lecture {
    public static void swap(int [] x) {
        int temp = x[0];
        x[0] = x[1];
        x[1] = temp;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int [] a = new int[2];
        a[0] = 10;
        a[1] = 20;
        swap(a);
        System.out.println(a[0] + " " + a[1]);
    }
}
```



Java: Call-by-Value

- Passing an object as an argument
 - A reference to the object is passed using call-by-value.

```
class Employee {
    String name;
    public Employee(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }
}

public class Lecture {
    public static void changeName(Employee e) {
        e.name = "John";
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Employee m = new Employee("Peter");
        changeName(m);
        System.out.println(m.name);
    }
}
```



Programming Lab #08



08-01. Arrays of Objects

- Write a Java program that satisfies the following requirements.
 - Use the following class Employee.
 - Create an array of Employees that has five elements.
 - Name of the five employees is: Kim, Lee, Park, Choi, Chung
 - Print the names of five employees on the screen.

```
class Employee {
  private String name;

public Employee(String name) {
    this.name = name;
  }
  public String getName() {
    return this.name;
  }
}
```



08-02. Static Variables and Static Methods

- What will be printed on the display when you execute this program?
- What is a more proper way to use static variables?

```
class Employee {
  private static int lastId = 0;
 private int id;
 public Employee() { id = ++lastId; }
 public int getId() { return this.id; }
 public int getLastId() { return this.lastId; }
}
public class Ex08_02 {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Employee m = new Employee();
    Employee n = new Employee();
    System.out.println(m.getId());
    System.out.println(n.getId());
    System.out.println(m.getLastId());
    System.out.println(n.getLastId());
```



08-03. Call-by-Value: Primitive Types and Arrays

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What will be printed on the display when you execute this program?

```
public class Ex08_03 {
 public static void swap(int a, int b) {
   int temp = a;
   a = b;
    b = temp;
 public static void swap(int[] x) {
   int temp = x[0];
   x[0] = x[1];
   x[1] = temp;
 public static void main(String[] args) {
   int x = 10;
   int y = 20;
    swap(x, y);
    System.out.println(x + " " + y);
    int[] z = new int[2];
   z[0] = 10;
   z[1] = 20;
    swap(z);
    System.out.println(z[0] + " " + z[1]);
```

08-04. Call-by-Value: Objects

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What will be printed on the display when you execute this program?

```
class Employee {
 String name;
  public Employee(String name) {
   this.name = name;
public class Ex08_04 {
  public static void changeName(Employee e, String newname) {
    e.name = newName;
 public static void setName(String oldName, String newName) {
    oldName = newName;
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Employee m = new Employee("Peter");
    System.out.println(m.name);
    changeName(m, "John");
    System.out.println(m.name);
    setName(m.name, "James");
    System.out.println(m.name);
```

End of Class



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