UNIT – 6 CLASS AND OBJECT



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- (1) Introduction, Object, Class
- (2) Defining Class in PHP, Object in PHP
- (3) Usage of \$this variable, Constructor, Constructor with Parameters



CREATING CLASSES

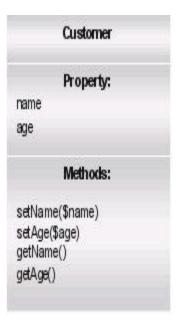
- OOPS starts with classes.
- Classes are the type of objects, in the same way "integer" may be the type of a variable.
- A class is a template that describes attributes and methods of a certain object type.

```
class Classname
{
//Define Properties
//Define Methods
}
```



CREATING CLASSES

class Customer private \$name; private \$age; function setName(\$name) \$this->name=\$name; function setAge(\$age) \$this->age=\$age; function getName() return \$this->name; function getAge() return \$this->age;





Object in PHP

- Object is a runtime instance of a class.
- An Object is created using the "new" keyword.

\$custobj=new Customer();

To assign the values for object property

```
$custobj->setName("Joe");
$custobj->setAge(25);
```



Global Variable

```
class Person
       var $name;
       function set_name($data)
               global $name;
               $name = $data;
       function get_name()
               global $name;
               return $name;
```

It will work, but we won't normally see OOP done using the global keyword. We usually refer the properties of the class using \$this keyword. The \$this keyword points to the current object.



Usage of \$this variable

- \$this variable is automatically defined during the execution of the object's method. It is used to refer the properties of an Object.
- The \$this keyword points to the current object.

Syntax:

```
$this -> variable_name;
```

You omit the \$ in front of the property

\$this ->name;



Setting Access to Properties and Methods

- By default all the members of a class or object are declared public.
- You can restrict access to the members of a class or object by using access modifiers
- public Accessible to all.
- private Accessible in the same class.
- protected Accessible in the same class and classes derived from that class.



Public Access

Public access is the most unrestricted access of all and it is default.

```
<?php
class person
       public $name;
        public function set_name($data)
               $this ->name = $data;
$obj = new person;
$obj ->set_name("sridhar");
```

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Private Access

Private member can't access outside the class or object.

```
<?php
class person
       private $name;
       function set_name($data)
               $this ->name = $data;
$obj = new person;
$obj ->set_name("sridhar");
```

Member variable is private, you can access from public member function

Member function is private, you can not access from object



Constructor

- Constructors are used to initialize the state of the object during object creation.
- Constructor is a function defined using "___construct" keyword
- Constructor is automatically called during object creation, using the "new" keyword
- Constructor can accept parameters



```
class Customer
        private $name;
        private $age;
        function __construct()
                 $this->name="Joe";
                 $this->age=25;
        function setName($name)
                 $this->name=$name;
        function setAge($age)
                                             print "<br>";
                 $this->age=$age;
                                             >getAge();
```

```
function getName()
        return $this->name;
function getAge()
        return $this->age;
$custobj=new Customer();
print "Customer Name:".$custobj-
>getName();
print "Customer Age:".$custobj-
```



Constructor with Parameters

```
function __construct($name,$age)
{
    $this->name=$name;
    $this->age=$age;
}
```

```
Customer objects are created using the parameterized constructor $custobj1=new Customer("Philip",45); $custobj2=new Customer("Joe",25); print "Customer Name:".$custobj1->getName(); print "<br/>print "Customer Age:".$custobj1->getAge(); print "<br/>print "Customer Name:".$custobj2->getName(); print "Customer Name:".$custobj2->getName(); print "Customer Age:".$custobj2->getAge();
```



Using Destructors to clean up after objects

- Destructors destroy an object.
- Destructors are named __destruct in PHP(You don't pass arguments to destructor)

```
function ___destruct()
{
}
```



Inheritance

• inheritance is a way to establish <u>Is-a</u> relationship between objects. It is often confused as a way to reuse the existing code which is not a good practice because inheritance for implementation reuse leads to Tight Coupling.

Ex:

```
Class Friend extends Person
{
..........
```

Here we can use the methods of Person class through Friend class. We can also add new methods to the Friend class.



Inheritance

```
class Person
        var $name;
        function set_name($data)
                 $this -> name = $data;
                                             class Friend extends Person
                                                      var $message;
        function get_name()
                                                      function set_message($msg)
                 return $this -> name;
                                                      { $this -> message = $msg;
                                                      function speak()
                                                      { return $this -> message;
                                             $tony = new Friend;
                                             $tony -> set_name("Tony");
                                             $tony -> set_message("Hi Tony");
                                             echo $tony -> get_name();
```

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echo \$tony -> speak();



Protected Access

 Protected keyword makes class members accessible only in the class and any class derived from that class.

```
- <?php</pre>
  class MyClass
  public $public = 'Public';
  protected $protected = 'Protected';
  private $private = 'Private';
  function printHello()
  echo $this->public;
                                  $obj = new MyClass();
  echo $this->protected;
                                  echo $obj->public; // Works
  echo $this->private;
                                  echo $obj->protected; // Fatal Error
                                  echo $obj->private; // Fatal Error
                                  $obj->printHello(); // Shows Public, Protected and
                                  Private
```



Protected Access

```
class MyClass2 extends MyClass
protected $protected = 'Protected2';
function printHello()
echo $this->public;
echo $this->protected;
echo $this->private;
$obj2 = new MyClass2();
echo $obj2->public; // Works
echo $obj2->private; // Undefined
echo $obj2->protected; // Fatal Error
$obj2->printHello(); // Shows Public, Protected2, Undefined
?>
```



Constructors and Inheritance

```
class Person
                                       class Friend extends Person
       var $name;
                                               var $message;
       function _construct($data)
                                               function _construct($data, $msg)
               $this ->name =$data;
                                               parent:: _construct($data);
                                               $this -> message = $msg;
       function set_name($data)
                                               function speak()
               $this -> name = $data;
                                                       echo $this ->message;
       function get_name()
               return $this -> name;
                                       $nancy = new Friend("Nancy", "Hi");
                                       echo $nancy ->get_name();
                                       echo $nancy ->speak();
                                       ?>
```



Overriding Methods

```
Can redefine a base class method in a derived class.
<?php
class Person
       var $name;
       function set_name($data)
                                              $friend = new Friend;
               this->name=$data;
       function get_name()
                                              $friend->set_name("susan");
               return $this -> name;
                                              $friend-> speak();
class Friend extends Person
       var $name;
       function speak()
               echo this->name;
       function set_name($data)
               $this -> name = strtoupper($data);
```



Overloading Methods

Overloading is creating an alternative version with a different argument list.

```
function set_name ($data)
        $this -> name = $data;
function set_name($data, $msg)
        $this -> name = $data;
        $this -> message = $msg;
                                      $friend = new Friend;
                                      $friend ->set_name("susan");
                                      $friend -> set_name("susan", "is here");
```



Overloading Methods

- Previous example will work in standard OOP languages.
- But PHP is different
- Overloading can be implemented in PHP with __call method.
- In a class the original method does not exists __call method will executes



```
Overloading
<?php
class friend
        var $name;
        var $message;
function speak()
echo $this->name;
echo $this->message;
function set_message($msg)
        $this ->message = $msg;
function ___call($method, $arguments)
if ($method == "set_name")
if (count($arguments) == 1)
$this->name = $arguments[0];
```

```
if (count($arguments) == 2)
$this -> name = $arguments[0];
$this -> message = $arguments[1];
f = \text{new friend};
$f -> set_name("sridhar");
$f -> set_message("hello from sridhar");
$f -> speak():
$f -> set_name("sri", "sri here");
$f -> speak();
?>
```

Set_name function not exists in the example
It will call automatically __call method



Auto loading Classes

- <u>autoload()</u> function which is automatically called in case you are trying to use a class/interface which hasn't been defined yet.
- This function is passed the names of any classes that PHP is looking for and can't find in the current file.
- You can load the missing class using require or include
- Where the class class_name is in a file class_name.php



Autoload

```
person.php
<?php
class person
       var $name;
       function set_name($data)
               $this -> name = $data;
        function get_data()
               return $this -> name;
```

```
friend.php
<?php
class friend extends person
       var $message;
       function set_message($msg)
               $this -> message =
$msg;
       function speak()
               echo $this -> message;
```



Autoload

```
<?php
function __autoload($class_name)
        require $class_name. '.php';
$s = new friend;
$s -> set_name("sridhar");
$s -> set_message("hi from sridhar");
echo $s -> get_data();
echo $s-> speak();
?>
```



