

# Assess Yourself

Implement a class to represent a person *as part of an app to suggest and visualise outfits for an online clothing store*.

What attributes and methods might it have?

**This depends entirely on the application.**

As software engineers, you need to get in the habit of getting a complete picture of what you're building, particularly when dealing with “clients”.

# Assess Yourself

```
public class Person {  
    public int height;  
    public int shoeSize;  
  
    public Colour favouriteColour;  
    public boolean wearsHats = false;  
  
    public Shirt shirt;  
    public Pants pants;  
    public Shoes shoes;  
    ...  
}
```

This is not a good design... We will revisit this later in the semester. Can anyone suggest why?

# Assess Yourself

```
public class Person {  
  
    public Person(int height, int shoeSize,  
                  Colour favouriteColour, boolean wearsHats,  
                  Shirt shirt, Pants pants, Shoes shoes) {  
        ... sigh ...  
    }  
  
    public String toString() {  
        return String.format("Height: %d; Shoe size: %d;...",  
                               this.height, this.shoeSize);  
    }  
  
}
```

Thankfully IDEs can autogenerate constructors and other standard methods... Please figure out how to do this.

# Assess Yourself

```
public class Person {  
  
    public void changeOutfit(Shirt shirt, Pants pants,  
                             Shoes shoes) {  
        this.shirt = shirt;  
        this.pants = pants;  
        this.shoes = shoes;  
    }  
  
    public int getSimilarityValue() {  
        return <some magic computation>;  
    }  
  
}
```

The `changeOutfit` method looks like a constructor, but it's not; why not?

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# The Road So Far

- Java Foundations
  - ▶ Classes and Objects
  - ▶ Strings and Wrappers
  - ▶ Formatting

# Lecture Objectives

After this lecture you will be able to:

- Define and use the **main** method
- Perform *abstraction* with methods
- Describe a variable's "scope"
- Better explain what "static" means for
  - ▶ Constants
  - ▶ Variables
  - ▶ Methods
- Explain and use "overloading"

In-class code found [here](#)

# Writing Programs

At the moment we have a bunch of classes, but they don't actually *do* anything... There isn't anything to **run/execute**.

This is where the main method comes in.



# Main

```
public static void main(String args[])
```

- Let's take a closer look at main

# Main

```
public static void main(String args[])
```

- We'll leave this for a bit longer

# Main

```
public static void main(String args[])
```

- We'll look at this again today

# Main

```
public static void main(String args[])
```

- Let's start here

# Defining Methods

```
<privacy?> <static?> <return type> <method name>(<arguments>)
```

- For now, `public` is default
- We know when to use `static`... right?
- Every method needs a return type (`int`, `double[]`, `void`...)
- Method names follow the same conventions as variable names
- Methods can have zero or more arguments

```
public static String[] magicalComputation(String[] data)
```

# Writing Methods

```
public static String[] magicalComputation(String[] data) {  
    String newData[] = new String[data.length];  
  
    for (int i = 0; i < data.length; i++) {  
        newData[i] = data[i].toUpperCase();  
    }  
  
    return newData;  
}
```

- Writing code in a method, same as everything so far
- You must include the `return` statement
- `void` methods **can** use `return`, but not required
- Must be defined in a **class**
- Represents the class **performing an action**, or **receiving a message**

# Methods

## Keyword

*return*: Indicates that a method **ends**, and in most cases will **output** a value. A method can have several **return** statements, but **all** paths must reach a **return**

# Pitfall: Return Statements

What happens after a return statement?

What does this code do?

```
public static String[] splitString(String string) {  
    String[] words;  
  
    return words;  
  
    words = string.split(" ");  
}
```

**Nothing.**

Any code after a return statement will. Not. Execute.



## Assess Yourself

Write a *program* that creates a `Person` object with height of 182cm, shoe size of 12, large shirt size, and pants size of 40.

You may assume that the `Person`, `Shirt`, and `Pants` classes all exist; the only thing you have to do is write the **main** method.

# Why Methods?

Why should we use methods?

- Prevents **code duplication**
- Improves **readability**
- Makes code **reusable** and **portable**
- Easier to **debug**
- Gives “important code” a **useful name**

# Assess Yourself

What *methods* could you define for the following example?

- What would you call them?
- What arguments would they take?
- What would they do?

Write a program that gets continuous input from the user, in the form `<p1>-><p2>`, indicating that p1 is a parent of p2. Once the input has stopped, your program must print a family tree with the “root” parent on the first line, their children on the next, and so on.

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```
public static String[] [] reallocateData(String[] [] relationships)
public static String[] splitRelationship(String relationship)
public static String[] [] createFamilyTree(String[] [] relationships)
public static String findRoot(String[] [] relationships)
public static void printFamilyTree(String[] [] familyTree)
public static void printTreeLayer(String[] layer)
```

# Methods

## Keyword

*Method*: The basic unit of abstraction (after classes) in Java; represents performing an *action* or *receiving a message*

# Static

## Keyword

*static*: Indicates a constant, variable, or method exists **without an object**. In other words, you do not need to create a variable to use something defined as *static*

- Static Example:

```
double x = Math.sqrt(10);
```

- Non-static Example:

```
Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);  
String text = scanner.nextLine();
```

# Static Constants

```
public class Program {  
    public static final int N_ELEMENTS = 10;  
  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        int elements[] = new int[N_ELEMENTS];  
    }  
}
```

- N\_ELEMENTS is a *class constant*, available to any (**static**) method defined in the *Program* class
- Defined **in the class** but **outside a method**
- Somewhat equivalent to C's *#define*

# Static Variables

```
public class Program {  
    public static int numMethodCalls = 0;  
  
    public static void magicalComputation() {  
        ...  
        numMethodCalls += 1;  
    }  
  
    public static void evenMoreMagicalComputation() {  
        ...  
        numMethodCalls += 1;  
    }  
}
```

- `numMethodCalls` is a *class variable*, available to any (`static`) method defined in the *Program* class
- Defined **in the class** but **outside a method**
- Somewhat equivalent to “global” variables



# Static Methods

```
public class Program {  
    public static final int N_ELEMENTS = 10;  
  
    public static int computeValue(int x) {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

- `computeValue` is a *class method*, available to any other (`static`) method defined in the *Program* class
- Defined **in the class**
- Can only call/use other `static` methods and variables

# Scope

## Keyword

*Scope*: Defines when a constant, variable or method can be “seen”

A new “scope” is created in

- every class/file
- every method
- every “block” (between { })

If something is “out of scope”, it can’t be used, called, manipulated, or accessed.

# Assess Yourself

```
public class Program {  
    public static int numMethodCalls = 0;  
  
    public static int methodOne() {  
        int x = 10;  
  
        for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static void methodTwo() {  
        numMethodCalls += 1;  
    }  
}
```

Where is the variable numMethodCalls “in scope”?

- ① Just methodOne
- ② Just methodTwo
- ③ All static methods of the Program class
- ④ All non-static methods of the Program class
- ⑤ None of the above

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        for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static void methodTwo() {  
        numMethodCalls += 1;  
    }  
}
```

Where is the method `methodOne` “in scope”?

- 1 Just `methodOne`
- 2 Just `methodTwo`
- 3 All static methods of the `Program` class
- 4 All non-static methods of the `Program` class
- 5 None of the above

# Assess Yourself

```
public class Program {  
    public static int numMethodCalls = 0;  
  
    public static int methodOne() {  
        int x = 10;  
  
        for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static void methodTwo() {  
        numMethodCalls += 1;  
    }  
}
```

Where is the variable x “in scope”?

- 1 Just methodOne
- 2 Just methodTwo
- 3 All static methods of the Program class
- 4 All non-static methods of the Program class
- 5 None of the above

# Assess Yourself

```
public class Program {  
    public static int numMethodCalls = 0;  
  
    public static int methodOne() {  
        int x = 10;  
  
        for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static void methodTwo() {  
        numMethodCalls += 1;  
    }  
}
```

Where is the variable `i` “in scope”?

- ① Just `methodOne`
- ② Just `methodTwo`
- ③ All static methods of the `Program` class
- ④ All non-static methods of the `Program` class
- ⑤ None of the above

# Assess Yourself

What is the output of this code?

```
import java.util.Arrays;

public class Program {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        int[] nums = new int[10];
        nums = initialise(nums);
        System.out.print(Arrays.toString(nums));
    }

    public static int[] initialise(int[] nums) {
        for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
            nums[i] = i;
        }
        return nums;
    }
}
```

[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]

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public class Program {
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        int[] nums = initialise();
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    }

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        int[] nums = new int[10];
        for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
            nums[i] = i;
        }
        return nums;
    }
}
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        System.out.print(Arrays.toString(nums));
    }

    public static void initialise(int[] nums) {
        for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
            nums[i] = i;
        }
    }
}
```

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# Pitfall: Mutation

- Remember that objects are **pointers** in Java
- When we pass objects to methods, we pass references
- References allow us to “mutate” objects, despite being in a different scope
- Very important once we look at privacy

# Overloading

## Keyword

*Method Signature:* The name of a method, and the number and type of its parameters

## Keyword

*Overloading:* When methods share the same name, but differ in the number, or type of arguments in the method signature

# Overloading Example

## Base Method

```
void magicalComputation(int n)
```

## Overloading

```
void magicalComputation(double n)
```

```
void magicalComputation(int n1, int n2)
```

```
void magicalComputation(int n1, int n2, int n3)
```

# Pitfall: Overloading

Base Method

```
void magicalComputation(int n)
```

Not Overloading Correctly

```
void magicalComputation(int num)
```

```
int magicalComputation(int n)
```

# Pitfall: Overloading

## Terrible Programming

```
void badMethod(int x, double y)
```

```
void badMethod(double x, int y)
```

What happens if you call `bad(6, 7)`?

# Assess Yourself

Define the following methods:

- `max(int n1, int n2)` - Computes the maximum of two integers
- `max(String s1, String s2)` - Computes the maximum of two Strings
- `max(String s1, String s2, String s3, String s4)` - Computes the maximum of four Strings
- `max(String[] s)` - Computes the maximum of an array of Strings

# Assess Yourself

```
public static int max(int n1, int n2) {  
    if (n1 > n2) {  
        return n1;  
    } else {  
        return n2;  
    }  
}
```

```
public static String max(String s1, String s2) {  
    if (s1.length() > s2.length()) {  
        return s1;  
    } else {  
        return s2;  
    }  
}
```



# Assess Yourself

```
public static String max(String s1, String s2,  
                        String s3, String s4) {  
    return max(max(s1, s2), max(s3, s4));  
}
```

```
public static String max(String[] s) {  
    String maxString = s[0];  
  
    for (int i = 1; i < s.length; i++) {  
        maxString = max(maxString, s[i]);  
    }  
  
    return maxString;  
}
```

# Assess Yourself

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    System.out.println(max(1, 2));  
    System.out.println(max("Hello World", "This is me"));  
    System.out.println(max("Hello World", "This is me", "Life could be",  
                           "Fun for everyone"));  
    System.out.println(max(new String[]{"Hello World", "This is me",  
                                         "Life could be", "Fun", "For everyone"}));  
}
```

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Hello World

Fun for everyone

Fun for everyone

# Metrics

Add attributes to the `Person` class to represent the person's shirt and pants size.

Next, add a **constant** to represent a *comfortable* range of sizes for a person's pants. For example, some people maybe be comfortable in their pants size  $\pm 2$ .

Finally, add a method called `willFit` that checks whether the input argument will fit on the person. This method should be **overloaded** so it works with a `Shirt`, `Pants`, or `Shoes` object. Why are we using overloading?