**5MARKS**

1. Declaration and initialization

**Declaration and Initialization of Variables in .NET Programming**

In .NET (particularly in languages like C#), **variable declaration** and **initialization** are essential concepts. Here's a detailed explanation along with examples.

**1. Declaration of Variables in .NET (C#)**

* **Definition**: The declaration of a variable in C# involves specifying its data type and its name. This process tells the compiler the kind of data the variable will hold and allocates memory for it.
* **Syntax**:

<data\_type>

<variable\_name>;

* **Example**:

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int age; // Declares an integer variable 'age'

string name; // Declares a string variable 'name'

bool isActive; // Declares a boolean variable 'isActive'

Here:

* int age; declares a variable age of type int (used for whole numbers).
* string name; declares a variable name of type string (used for text).
* bool isActive; declares a variable isActive of type bool (used for truth values).

**2. Initialization of Variables in .NET (C#)**

* **Definition**: Initialization involves assigning an initial value to a variable when it is declared or at some point later in the code. If a variable is not initialized, it might contain a default value (depending on the type, e.g., 0 for int, null for string).
* **Syntax**:

<data\_type> <variable\_name> = <initial\_value>;

* **Example**:

int age = 25; // Declares 'age' and initializes it with the value 25

string name = "John"; // Declares 'name' and initializes it with the value "John"

bool isActive = true; // Declares 'isActive' and initializes it with the value true

Here:

* int age = 25; declares age as an integer and initializes it to 25.
* string name = "John"; declares name as a string and initializes it to "John".
* bool isActive = true; declares isActive as a boolean and initializes it to true.

**3. Declaration and Initialization Together**

In C#, it's common to declare and initialize a variable in a single statement. This is not only efficient but also ensures that the variable has a valid value right after it is declared.

* **Example**:

int age = 25; // Declaration and initialization together

string name = "Alice"; // Declaration and initialization together

**4. Default Values for Uninitialized Variables**

If a variable is declared but not explicitly initialized in C#, it automatically gets a default value based on its type:

* **Numeric types** (e.g., int, float) default to 0.
* **Boolean type (bool)** defaults to false.
* **Reference types** (e.g., string, arrays, objects) default to null.
* **Example**:

int x; // x is initialized to 0 by default

bool flag; // flag is initialized to false by default

string message; // message is initialized to null by default

**5. Implicitly Typed Variables**

In C#, you can use the var keyword when you want the compiler to infer the type of the variable based on the assigned value. This is known as **implicitly typed variables**. The variable must be initialized at the time of declaration.

* **Syntax**:

var <variable\_name> = <initial\_value>;

* **Example**:

var age = 30; // 'age' is implicitly typed as 'int'

var name = "John"; // 'name' is implicitly typed as 'string'

var isActive = true; // 'isActive' is implicitly typed as 'bool'

**6. Example with All Concepts in .NET (C#)**

Here's an example that demonstrates the declaration, initialization, and implicit typing of variables in C#:

using System;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

// Declaration

int age;

string name;

// Initialization

age = 25;

name = "Alice";

// Declaration and Initialization together

bool isActive = true;

// Implicitly Typed Variables

var city = "New York"; // Implicitly typed as string

var temperature = 23.5; // Implicitly typed as double

// Displaying the values

Console.WriteLine("Age: " + age);

Console.WriteLine("Name: " + name);

Console.WriteLine("Active: " + isActive);

Console.WriteLine("City: " + city);

Console.WriteLine("Temperature: " + temperature);

}

}

**Output**:

Age: 25

Name: Alice

Active: True

City: New York

Temperature: 23.5

In the example:

* age is declared and initialized with 25.
* name is declared and initialized with "Alice".
* Is Active is declared and initialized with true.
* city and temperature are implicitly typed and initialized with values "New York" and 23.5, respectively.
* **Declaration**: Specifies the type and name of a variable (e.g., int age;).
* **Initialization**: Assigns a value to the declared variable (e.g., age = 25;).
* **Declaration and Initialization Together**: Both happen at the same time (e.g., int age = 25;).
* **Implicitly Typed Variables**: C# allows the compiler to infer the type using the var keyword (e.g., var age = 25;).

2.) The **scope** of a variable refers to the region of a program where the variable can be accessed or modified. The scope determines the visibility and lifetime of the variable. Here are the key types of variable scopes:

**1. Local Scope**

* **Definition**: A variable declared within a function, method, or block (e.g., loops or conditionals) is accessible only within that function or block.
* **Lifetime**: Exists only while the function/block is executing.
* **Example**:

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void MyFunction() {

int localVar = 10; // Accessible only inside MyFunction

}

**2. Global Scope**

* **Definition**: A variable declared outside any function or class is accessible throughout the entire program.
* **Lifetime**: Exists for the duration of the program.
* **Example**:

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int globalVar = 100; // Accessible anywhere in the program

**3. Block Scope**

* **Definition**: A variable declared within a block of code (e.g., within if, for, or while blocks) is only accessible within that block.
* **Lifetime**: Exists only during the execution of that block.
* **Example**:

if (true) {

int blockVar = 5; // Accessible only inside this block

}

**4. Class Scope (Member Variables)**

* **Definition**: A variable declared inside a class but outside any method is accessible by all methods within that class.
* **Lifetime**: Exists as long as the object or class exists.
* **Example**:

class MyClass {

int memberVar = 50; // Accessible by all methods within MyClass

}

**5. Static Scope**

* **Definition**: A variable declared with the static keyword belongs to the class rather than an instance. It can be accessed by all instances of the class or directly through the class name.
* **Lifetime**: Exists as long as the program runs.
* **Example**:

static int staticVar = 100; // Shared across all instances of the class

* **Local Scope**: Accessible only within the function/block where declared.
* **Global Scope**: Accessible anywhere in the program.
* **Block Scope**: Accessible only within a specific block of code.
* **Class Scope**: Accessible by all methods within a class.
* **Static Scope**: Shared across all instances of a class.

Understanding the scope of variables helps manage their lifetime, visibility, and avoid conflicts.

3.) In C#, **value types** and **reference types** are two fundamental categories of data types, and they behave differently in memory and assignment operations.

**🔹 Value Types**

**Stored in:** Stack (usually)  
**Examples:** int, float, bool, char, struct, enum

**Key Characteristics:**

* **Hold data directly**: The variable stores the actual value.
* **Copied on assignment**: When assigned to another variable, a copy of the value is made.
* **Independent changes**: Changing one variable doesn't affect the other.

**Example:**

int a = 10;

int b = a; // b is a copy of a

b = 20;

Console.WriteLine(a); // Outputs 10, not affected by change to b

**🔹 Reference Types**

**Stored in:** Heap (reference is on the stack)  
**Examples:** class, interface, delegate, array, string (special case)

**Key Characteristics:**

* **Hold a reference to data**: The variable holds a pointer (reference) to the actual data.
* **Shared on assignment**: When assigned to another variable, both refer to the same object.
* **Changes affect all references**: Changing the object via one variable affects others.

**Example:**

class Person {

public string Name;

}

Person p1 = new Person();

p1.Name = "Alice";

Person p2 = p1; // p2 points to the same object as p1

p2.Name = "Bob";

Console.WriteLine(p1.Name); // Outputs "Bob", because p1 and p2 refer to the same object

**🧠 Quick Summary:**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Feature** | **Value Type** | **Reference Type** |
| Memory Location | Stack | Heap |
| Assignment Behavior | Copies value | Copies reference |
| Data Ownership | Independent copies | Shared object |
| Examples | int, bool, struct | class, string, array |

4.) **📘 Data Types in C# – Theory with Examples**

In C#, **data types** specify the kind of values a variable can store. C# is a **strongly typed language**, meaning every variable has a data type at compile time.

**🔹 1. Value Types**

**🌟 Theory:**

* Value types store data **directly** in memory (on the **stack**).
* When you assign one value type to another, it **copies the value**.
* Cannot be null (unless made nullable like int?).

**✅ Examples:**

int age = 25; // Integer value

float pi = 3.14f; // Floating point number

bool isActive = true; // Boolean value

char grade = 'A'; // Character

decimal price = 199.99m; // High-precision decimal

**🔹 2. Reference Types**

**🌟 Theory:**

* Reference types store a **reference (address)** to the memory location on the **heap**.
* When you assign one reference type to another, both point to the **same object**.
* Can be null.

**✅ Examples:**

string name = "Alice"; // String (reference type)

int[] numbers = { 1, 2, 3, 4 }; // Array

object obj = 42; // Object can hold any type

**🔁 Reference behavior example:**

class Person {

public string Name;

}

Person p1 = new Person();

p1.Name = "John";

Person p2 = p1;

p2.Name = "David";

Console.WriteLine(p1.Name); // Output: David (same object)

**🔹 3. Pointer Types (Advanced)**

**🌟 Theory:**

* Pointer types hold the memory **address** of another value.
* Used in **unsafe** code.
* Mostly used in low-level or interop programming.

**✅ Example (requires unsafe context):**

unsafe {

int num = 5;

int\* ptr = &num;

Console.WriteLine(\*ptr); // Output: 5

}

**🔹 4. User-defined Types**

**🌟 Theory:**

You can define your own data types using struct, enum, class, or interface.

**✅ Examples:**

**Struct (Value Type)**

struct Point {

public int X, Y;

}

Point p = new Point { X = 10, Y = 20 };

**Enum (Value Type)**

enum Day { Sunday, Monday, Tuesday }

Day today = Day.Monday;

**Class (Reference Type)**

class Car {

public string Brand;

}

Car myCar = new Car { Brand = "Toyota" };

**🔹 5. Nullable Types**

**🌟 Theory:**

Value types can't be null by default, but C# allows **nullable value types** using ?.

**✅ Example:**

int? number = null;

if (number.HasValue) {

Console.WriteLine(number.Value);

}

**🔹 6. Dynamic Type**

**🌟 Theory:**

Type checking happens at **runtime**, not at compile time.

**✅ Example:**

dynamic value = 10;

value = "Now I’m a string";

Console.WriteLine(value); // Output: Now I’m a string

**🧠 Summary Table**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Category** | **Example** | **Type** | **Description** |
| Integer | int age = 30; | Value Type | Whole number |
| Decimal | decimal p = 9; | Value Type | High-precision numbers |
| Boolean | bool b = true; | Value Type | True/False |
| Character | char c = 'A'; | Value Type | Single character |
| String | "Hello" | Reference Type | Text |
| Object | object o = 42; | Reference Type | Can hold any type |
| Class | class Car {} | Reference Type | Custom reference type |
| Array | int[] arr = {} | Reference Type | Collection of values |
| Enum | enum Day {} | Value Type | Named constant set |
| Struct | struct Point {} | Value Type | Lightweight custom type |
| Dynamic | dynamic x = 10; | Reference Type | Runtime type checking |
| Nullable | int? a = null; | Value Type | Value type that allows null |

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**🔹 1. Arithmetic Operators**

Used to perform mathematical operations like addition, subtraction, multiplication, etc.

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| + | Addition | int sum = 10 + 5; |
| - | Subtraction | int diff = 10 - 5; |
| \* | Multiplication | int product = 4 \* 2; |
| / | Division | int div = 10 / 2; |
| % | Modulus | int mod = 10 % 3; |

**🔹 2. Relational (Comparison) Operators**

Used to compare two values; returns a boolean (true or false).

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| == | Equal to | 5 == 5 // true |
| != | Not equal to | 5 != 3 // true |
| > | Greater than | 7 > 3 // true |
| < | Less than | 2 < 5 // true |
| >= | Greater or equal | 5 >= 5 // true |
| <= | Less or equal | 3 <= 4 // true |

**🔹 3. Logical Operators**

Used to combine or reverse boolean conditions.

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| && | Logical AND | (x > 0 && y > 0) |
| ` |  | ` |
| ! | NOT | !(x == y) |

**🔹 4. Assignment Operators**

Used to assign or update the value of a variable.

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| = | Assignment | x = 10; |
| += | Add and assign | x += 5; |
| -= | Subtract and assign | x -= 5; |
| \*= | Multiply and assign | x \*= 2; |
| /= | Divide and assign | x /= 2; |
| %= | Modulus and assign | x %= 3; |

**🔹 5. Unary Operators**

Work on a single operand to increase, decrease, or invert a value.

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ++ | Increment | x++ or ++x |
| -- | Decrement | x-- or --x |
| + | Positive value | +x |
| - | Negative value | -x |

**🔹 6. Bitwise Operators**

Perform bit-level operations (mostly on integers).

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| & | Bitwise AND | a & b |
| ` | ` | Bitwise OR |
| ^ | Bitwise XOR | a ^ b |
| ~ | Bitwise NOT | ~a |
| << | Left shift | a << 2 |
| >> | Right shift | a >> 2 |

**🔹 7. Ternary Operator (?:)**

Short-hand for if-else; returns a value based on a condition.

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ?: | Conditional operator | int max = (a > b) ? a : b; |

**🔹 8. Null-Coalescing Operators**

Used to assign default values when encountering null.

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ?? | Return value or default | x = y ?? 10; |
| ??= | Assign if null | x ??= 5; |

**🔹 9. Type Checking/Casting Operators**

Used for checking object types or converting safely.

| **Operator** | **Meaning** | **Example** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| is | Type check | if (obj is string) |
| as | Safe cast | string s = obj as string; |

**🔹 10. Miscellaneous Operators**

Special-purpose operators used in various tasks.

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Operator** | **Purpose** | **Example** |
| new | Create object | new MyClass() |
| typeof | Get type info | typeof(int) |
| sizeof | Get size in bytes | sizeof(double) |
| checked | Enable overflow checking | checked { int x = a + b; } |

6.) using System;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

Console.WriteLine("Enter two numbers:");

double num1 = Convert.ToDouble(Console.ReadLine());

double num2 = Convert.ToDouble(Console.ReadLine());

Console.WriteLine("Enter an operator (+, -, \*, /):");

char op = Convert.ToChar(Console.ReadLine());

double result;

switch (op)

{

case '+':

result = num1 + num2;

Console.WriteLine("Result = " + result);

break;

case '-':

result = num1 - num2;

Console.WriteLine("Result = " + result);

break;

case '\*':

result = num1 \* num2;

Console.WriteLine("Result = " + result);

break;

case '/':

if (num2 != 0)

{

result = num1 / num2;

Console.WriteLine("Result = " + result);

}

else

{

Console.WriteLine("Error: Division by zero!");

}

break;

default:

Console.WriteLine("Invalid operator!");

break;

}

}

}

7.) In C#, **nested methods** (also known as **local functions**) are methods defined **inside another method**. This feature is useful when you want to logically group functionality that's only used inside one method — helping improve code clarity and scope control.

**✅ Syntax of Nested Methods (Local Functions)**

void OuterMethod()

{

void InnerMethod()

{

// Logic here

}

InnerMethod(); // Calling inner method from outer method

}

**🧪 Example: Nested Method in C#**

using System;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

GreetUser("Alice");

}

static void GreetUser(string name)

{

Console.WriteLine("Welcome!");

// Nested method inside GreetUser

void SayHello()

{

Console.WriteLine("Hello, " + name + "!");

}

SayHello(); // Calling the nested method

}

}

**🧠 Explanation:**

1. **Main()** method calls GreetUser("Alice").
2. Inside GreetUser, a **nested method SayHello()** is declared.
3. SayHello() can access the name variable from its parent method.
4. Nested methods **cannot be accessed from outside** the method they are declared in.

**⚠️ Key Points:**

* Local functions were introduced in **C# 7.0+**.
* They improve readability when small helper methods are only needed inside one method.
* They can access variables from the **containing method**.

8.) using System;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

// Creating an array of integers

int[] numbers = { 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 };

// Asking user to enter a number to search

Console.WriteLine("Enter a number to find in the array:");

int target = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());

// Using Array.IndexOf to find the index

int index = Array.IndexOf(numbers, target);

if (index != -1)

{

Console.WriteLine($"The number {target} is found at index {index}.");

}

else

{

Console.WriteLine($"The number {target} is not found in the array.");

}

}

}

9.) Certainly! Here are **10 string manipulation methods** in C# with examples:

**1. Concatenation – Combine strings.**

string str1 = "Hello";

string str2 = "World!";

string result = str1 + " " + str2;

Console.WriteLine(result); // Output: Hello World!

**2. Substring – Extract a part of a string.**

string sentence = "Hello, World!";

string subStr = sentence.Substring(7, 5); // Start at index 7, take 5 characters

Console.WriteLine(subStr); // Output: World

**3. Length – Get the length of a string.**

string str = "CSharp";

Console.WriteLine(str.Length); // Output: 6

**4. ToUpper() / ToLower() – Convert to uppercase or lowercase.**

string str = "hello";

Console.WriteLine(str.ToUpper()); // Output: HELLO

Console.WriteLine(str.ToLower()); // Output: hello

**5. Trim() – Remove unwanted whitespace.**

string str = " Hello World! ";

Console.WriteLine(str.Trim()); // Output: Hello World!

**6. Replace() – Replace characters or substrings.**

string sentence = "Hello, World!";

string newSentence = sentence.Replace("World", "CSharp");

Console.WriteLine(newSentence); // Output: Hello, CSharp!

**7. Split() – Split a string into substrings based on a delimiter.**

string str = "apple,banana,cherry";

string[] fruits = str.Split(',');

foreach (var fruit in fruits)

{

Console.WriteLine(fruit);

}

// Output:

// apple

// banana

// cherry

**8. IndexOf() – Find the index of a substring.**

string sentence = "Hello, World!";

int index = sentence.IndexOf("World");

Console.WriteLine(index); // Output: 7

**9. StartsWith() / EndsWith() – Check if string starts or ends with a substring.**

string str = "Hello, World!";

Console.WriteLine(str.StartsWith("Hello")); // Output: True

Console.WriteLine(str.EndsWith("World!")); // Output: True

**10. Contains() – Check if a substring exists in the string.**

string str = "I love CSharp!";

Console.WriteLine(str.Contains("CSharp")); // Output: True

Console.WriteLine(str.Contains("Java")); // Output: False

10.) Certainly! Let's go over the **different types of arrays** in C# in more detail with comprehensive theory, followed by concise examples. This will give you a deeper understanding of arrays in C#.

**✅ 1. Single-Dimensional Arrays**

**Theory:**

* A **single-dimensional array** is the most basic type of array, and it is simply a collection of elements of the same data type arranged in a linear sequence.
* Elements in a single-dimensional array are accessed using an index, where indexing starts at **0**.
* A single-dimensional array is ideal when you need to store a list of items such as numbers, strings, or any other data type.

**Example:**

using System;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

// Declare and initialize a single-dimensional array

int[] numbers = { 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 };

// Access elements by index

for (int i = 0; i < numbers.Length; i++)

{

Console.WriteLine(numbers[i]);

}

}

}

**Explanation:**

* In this example, the array numbers holds integers. The program loops through the array and prints each number.
* **numbers.Length** gives the number of elements in the array.

**✅ 2. Multi-Dimensional Arrays (2D Arrays)**

**Theory:**

* A **multi-dimensional array** is an array with more than one dimension. The most common form is a **two-dimensional array**, which can be visualized as a matrix (rows and columns).
* You access elements in a multi-dimensional array by using multiple indices.
* Multi-dimensional arrays are useful when working with data that fits a tabular form, such as matrices, grids, or any data that needs to be organized into rows and columns.

**Example (2D Array):**

using System;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

// Declare and initialize a 2D array

int[,] matrix = {

{ 1, 2, 3 },

{ 4, 5, 6 },

{ 7, 8, 9 }

};

// Accessing elements in a 2D array

for (int i = 0; i < matrix.GetLength(0); i++) // GetLength(0) returns the number of rows

{

for (int j = 0; j < matrix.GetLength(1); j++) // GetLength(1) returns the number of columns

{

Console.Write(matrix[i, j] + "\t");

}

Console.WriteLine();

}

}

}

**Explanation:**

* **matrix** is a 2D array, which stores integers in a table format.
* The outer loop iterates over the rows, and the inner loop iterates over the columns.

**✅ 3. Jagged Arrays**

**Theory:**

* A **jagged array** is an array of arrays. In contrast to multi-dimensional arrays, jagged arrays allow each "row" (or sub-array) to have a different length. This is useful when you need an array structure where different elements may have variable sizes.
* Jagged arrays are typically used in cases where the data structure is non-uniform or irregular.

**Example (Jagged Array):**

using System;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

// Declare and initialize a jagged array

int[][] jaggedArray = new int[3][];

jaggedArray[0] = new int[] { 1, 2, 3 };

jaggedArray[1] = new int[] { 4, 5 };

jaggedArray[2] = new int[] { 6, 7, 8, 9 };

// Accessing elements in a jagged array

for (int i = 0; i < jaggedArray.Length; i++)

{

for (int j = 0; j < jaggedArray[i].Length; j++)

{

Console.Write(jaggedArray[i][j] + "\t");

}

Console.WriteLine();

}

}

}

**Explanation:**

* **jaggedArray** is an array of arrays. Each sub-array (row) can have different lengths.
* The loops iterate over the rows and columns (or elements) of the jagged array, displaying the values.

**✅ 4. Array of Objects**

**Theory:**

* An **array of objects** is an array that stores objects, rather than primitive data types. In C#, an object is an instance of a class or a struct, and you can create an array of objects from any class.
* This is useful when you want to group multiple instances of a class into a single collection, enabling easy access and manipulation.

**Example (Array of Objects):**

using System;

class Car

{

public string Model { get; set; }

public int Year { get; set; }

public Car(string model, int year)

{

Model = model;

Year = year;

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

// Creating an array of Car objects

Car[] cars = new Car[2];

cars[0] = new Car("Toyota", 2020);

cars[1] = new Car("Honda", 2018);

// Accessing array elements

foreach (var car in cars)

{

Console.WriteLine($"{car.Model} - {car.Year}");

}

}

}

**Explanation:**

* **Car[] cars** is an array of objects, where each object is an instance of the Car class.
* The program creates instances of Car and stores them in the array.

**✅ 5. Dynamic Arrays (using List<T>)**

**Theory:**

* A **dynamic array** is an array-like structure that can dynamically resize itself as elements are added or removed. The most common implementation in C# is the **List<T>** class, which belongs to the System.Collections.Generic namespace.
* Unlike a static array, a List<T> can grow or shrink in size based on the elements you add or remove. This makes it much more flexible when working with collections of data that change in size.

**Example (List):**

using System;

using System.Collections.Generic;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

// Declare and initialize a List

List<int> numbers = new List<int> { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };

// Adding an element to the List

numbers.Add(6);

// Accessing elements in the List

foreach (var number in numbers)

{

Console.WriteLine(number);

}

}

}

**Explanation:**

* **List<int> numbers** is a dynamic array (list) of integers.
* The Add method is used to add a new element, and the program prints each element in the list.

11.)

Here’s the **difference** between **constructor** and **destructor** in **table format**:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Feature** | **Constructor** | **Destructor** |
| **Purpose** | Initializes an object when it's created. | Cleans up and releases resources when an object is destroyed. |
| **Syntax** | public ClassName() | ~ClassName() |
| **Invocation** | Called automatically when an object is created. | Called automatically when the object is garbage collected. |
| **Return Type** | No return type (not even void). | No return type (implicitly void). |
| **Multiple Instances** | Can be overloaded with different parameters. | Can only have one per class. |
| **Memory Management** | Allocates resources and initializes the object. | Releases resources before the object is removed from memory. |
| **Explicit Call** | Can be explicitly called when creating an object. | Cannot be explicitly called; automatically invoked by garbage collection. |
| **Timing** | Executed immediately when the object is created. | Executed when the object is garbage collected. |
| **Inheritance** | Can be inherited and called from a base class. | Cannot be inherited; each class can have only one destructor. |
| **Usage** | Used for object initialization and setting initial values. | Used for cleanup tasks like releasing unmanaged resources. |

12.) **Inheritance and Its Types in C#**

**Theory:**

**Inheritance** is one of the fundamental concepts of object-oriented programming (OOP). It allows a class (called the **derived class**) to inherit properties and methods from another class (called the **base class**). This promotes code reusability and establishes a relationship between the base and derived classes.

In C#, inheritance is implemented using the **: (colon)** symbol.

**Types of Inheritance in C#**

1. **Single Inheritance:**
   * **Single inheritance** means a derived class can inherit from only one base class.
   * This is the most common type of inheritance in C#.
2. **Multilevel Inheritance:**
   * **Multilevel inheritance** occurs when a class inherits from another derived class, forming a chain of inheritance.
   * In this type, a class acts as the base for another class, and the second class acts as the base for a third class, and so on.
3. **Hierarchical Inheritance:**
   * **Hierarchical inheritance** occurs when multiple derived classes inherit from the same base class.
   * This type of inheritance allows different classes to share the same base functionality.
4. **Multiple Inheritance (via Interfaces):**
   * **Multiple inheritance** through **interfaces** allows a class to implement multiple interfaces, inheriting behavior from more than one source.
   * While C# does not support multiple inheritance directly through classes (to avoid ambiguity), it allows a class to implement multiple interfaces.
5. **Hybrid Inheritance:**
   * **Hybrid inheritance** is a combination of different inheritance types. For example, a class might inherit from a base class and also implement multiple interfaces.
   * This is a more complex form of inheritance.

**Single Inheritance Example:**

Here is a simple **single inheritance** example, where a derived class Dog inherits from a base class Animal:

using System;

class Animal // Base class

{

public void Eat()

{

Console.WriteLine("Eating...");

}

}

class Dog : Animal // Derived class

{

public void Bark()

{

Console.WriteLine("Barking...");

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

Dog myDog = new Dog(); // Create an object of the derived class

myDog.Eat(); // Inherited from Animal

myDog.Bark(); // Defined in Dog

}

}

**Explanation of the Program:**

1. **Base Class (Animal)**:
   * The Animal class defines a method Eat(). This is a common behavior for all animals.
2. **Derived Class (Dog)**:
   * The Dog class inherits from the Animal class. This means it inherits the Eat() method.
   * The Dog class also defines its own method Bark(), which is specific to dogs.
3. **Program Class**:
   * In the Main() method, an instance of the Dog class is created.
   * The object myDog can access both the Eat() method from the base class Animal and the Bark() method from the Dog class.

13.) **Types of Constructors in C#**

In C#, **constructors** are special methods that are used to initialize objects of a class. They are automatically invoked when an object of the class is created. C# supports different types of constructors to give flexibility in object initialization.

Here’s the **difference** between the various **types of constructors** in C#:

**1. Default Constructor**

**Definition:**

* A **default constructor** is a constructor that takes no parameters. If no constructor is explicitly defined, C# automatically provides a default constructor.
* It initializes the object with default values.

**Example:**

using System;

class Person

{

public string Name;

public int Age;

// Default Constructor

public Person()

{

Name = "Unknown";

Age = 0;

}

public void Display()

{

Console.WriteLine($"Name: {Name}, Age: {Age}");

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

Person person = new Person(); // Calls the default constructor

person.Display();

}

}

**Explanation:**

* The default constructor initializes the Name to "Unknown" and Age to 0. It is automatically invoked when a Person object is created.

**2. Parameterized Constructor**

**Definition:**

* A **parameterized constructor** is a constructor that takes parameters to initialize an object with specific values when it is created.
* It allows for custom initialization of object properties.

**Example:**

using System;

class Person

{

public string Name;

public int Age;

// Parameterized Constructor

public Person(string name, int age)

{

Name = name;

Age = age;

}

public void Display()

{

Console.WriteLine($"Name: {Name}, Age: {Age}");

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

Person person = new Person("John", 25); // Calls the parameterized constructor

person.Display();

}

}

**Explanation:**

* The parameterized constructor allows the Name and Age properties to be initialized with specific values when the object is created.

**3. Copy Constructor**

**Definition:**

* A **copy constructor** is a constructor that creates a new object by copying the values of an existing object of the same class.
* It is used to clone or copy the data from one object to another.

**Example:**

using System;

class Person

{

public string Name;

public int Age;

// Parameterized Constructor

public Person(string name, int age)

{

Name = name;

Age = age;

}

// Copy Constructor

public Person(Person other)

{

Name = other.Name;

Age = other.Age;

}

public void Display()

{

Console.WriteLine($"Name: {Name}, Age: {Age}");

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

Person person1 = new Person("Alice", 30);

Person person2 = new Person(person1); // Calls the copy constructor

person2.Display();

}

}

**Explanation:**

* The copy constructor takes another Person object as a parameter and initializes the new object with the values from the existing object.

**4. Static Constructor**

**Definition:**

* A **static constructor** is used to initialize static members of a class. It is called once when the class is first used (e.g., when the first instance is created or when any static member is accessed).
* It cannot have parameters and is automatically invoked by the runtime.

**Example:**

using System;

class Counter

{

public static int count;

// Static Constructor

static Counter()

{

count = 0;

Console.WriteLine("Static Constructor Called");

}

public void Increment()

{

count++;

}

public void Display()

{

Console.WriteLine($"Count: {count}");

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

Counter counter1 = new Counter(); // Static constructor called once

counter1.Increment();

counter1.Display();

Counter counter2 = new Counter(); // Static constructor will not be called again

counter2.Display();

}

}

**Explanation:**

* The **static constructor** initializes the count variable and is only called once when the class is used for the first time. After that, the static constructor does not run again.

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14.) **Concept of Abstraction in C#**

**Theory:**

**Abstraction** is one of the fundamental principles of **Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)**. In C#, **abstraction** refers to the concept of hiding the **complex implementation details** and exposing only the essential features or functionalities of an object.

* **Abstraction** allows a programmer to focus on what an object **does**, rather than how it **does it**.
* It enables the creation of **abstract classes** and **interfaces** to define general templates that can be inherited or implemented by other classes.

The main goal of abstraction is to reduce complexity and allow the user to interact with the object at a higher level.

**Key Points of Abstraction in C#:**

1. **Abstract Classes**:
   * An **abstract class** cannot be instantiated (cannot create an object of it directly).
   * It can have both abstract methods (without implementation) and non-abstract methods (with implementation).
   * Derived classes must provide implementations for the abstract methods.
2. **Interfaces**:
   * An **interface** defines a contract that a class must follow.
   * Interfaces can only contain method signatures, properties, events, or indexers, but no method implementations.
   * A class can implement multiple interfaces, allowing more flexible abstraction.
3. **Purpose of Abstraction**:
   * **Hides implementation details**: Only essential functionalities are exposed.
   * **Increases flexibility**: Allows changes to implementation without affecting the user.
   * **Enhances maintainability**: Simplifies the code by focusing on what is important.

**Example of Abstraction in C# Using an Abstract Class:**

using System;

abstract class Animal // Abstract class

{

// Abstract method (no implementation)

public abstract void Sound();

// Regular method (can have implementation)

public void Sleep()

{

Console.WriteLine("The animal is sleeping.");

}

}

class Dog : Animal // Derived class

{

// Providing implementation for the abstract method

public override void Sound()

{

Console.WriteLine("Bark");

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

Dog dog = new Dog();

dog.Sound(); // Output: Bark

dog.Sleep(); // Output: The animal is sleeping.

}

}

**Explanation:**

* The Animal class is **abstract**, meaning it cannot be instantiated.
* The Sound() method is abstract, and derived classes like Dog must provide an implementation for it.
* The Sleep() method is a regular method and can be used by the derived classes directly.

14.) **Interface Implementation in C#**

An **interface** in C# defines a contract that a class must follow. It can only contain **method signatures**, **properties**, **events**, or **indexers** but **no implementation**. When a class implements an interface, it is required to provide concrete implementations for all the members defined in that interface.

The main advantage of using interfaces is that they allow for **multiple inheritance** of behavior (since a class can implement multiple interfaces), promoting **loose coupling** and **flexibility** in the design of software.

**Key Points of Interface Implementation in C#:**

1. **Method Signatures in Interfaces**:
   * An interface defines method signatures without providing the method's implementation.
   * A class that implements the interface must provide its own implementation for the methods defined in the interface.
2. **Multiple Interface Implementation**:
   * A class can implement more than one interface, allowing it to inherit behavior from multiple sources.
3. **No Access Modifiers**:
   * Members of an interface are implicitly public, so they cannot have any access modifiers like private, protected, or internal.
4. **Cannot Contain Fields**:
   * An interface cannot contain fields or any instance variables.
5. **Explicit Interface Implementation**:
   * If there are multiple interfaces with the same method name, a class can explicitly implement the method from an interface to avoid ambiguity.

**Example of Interface Implementation in C#:**

using System;

// Defining the interface

interface IAnimal

{

void Eat(); // Method signature, no implementation

void Sleep();

}

// Implementing the interface in a class

class Dog : IAnimal

{

public void Eat() // Implementing the Eat method from IAnimal

{

Console.WriteLine("The dog is eating.");

}

public void Sleep() // Implementing the Sleep method from IAnimal

{

Console.WriteLine("The dog is sleeping.");

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

IAnimal dog = new Dog(); // Creating an instance of Dog as IAnimal

dog.Eat(); // Output: The dog is eating.

dog.Sleep(); // Output: The dog is sleeping.

}

}

**Explanation:**

* The IAnimal interface defines two methods: Eat() and Sleep(). These methods have no implementation in the interface.
* The Dog class implements the IAnimal interface and provides its own implementation for both methods.

15.) **Rules of Operator Overloading in C#**

**Operator Overloading** in C# allows you to define the behavior of operators (such as +, -, \*, etc.) for custom types (like classes or structs). This enables you to use operators with user-defined types in a way that is intuitive and meaningful.

However, there are **specific rules** and guidelines to follow when overloading operators in C#.

**Rules for Operator Overloading in C#:**

1. **Only Certain Operators Can Be Overloaded**:
   * Not all operators can be overloaded in C#.
   * You can overload most operators (such as +, -, \*, /, ==, etc.), but you cannot overload certain operators, such as new, sizeof, is, as, typeof, etc.
2. **Must Be Defined as public or protected**:
   * The overloaded operator must be a **public** or **protected** method.
   * This ensures that the operator can be used outside of the class.
3. **Can Only Be Defined as a static Method**:
   * The operator overloading method must be declared as static.
   * This is because operators operate on two operands (or one for unary operators), and they should be invoked without needing an instance of the class (except for unary operators).
4. **Must Have a Return Type**:
   * Most operator overloading methods must return a value of the type that represents the result of the operation.
   * For example, the + operator should return a new instance of the class or struct that represents the sum.
5. **Unary and Binary Operators**:
   * **Unary operators** (such as ++, --, -) involve only a single operand.
   * **Binary operators** (such as +, -, \*, ==) involve two operands.
6. **Overloading Equality Operators**:
   * If you overload the == operator, you **must also overload the != operator** to ensure consistency.
   * Similarly, if you overload comparison operators like <, >, <=, >=, you should also overload the == and != operators.
7. **Operator Overloading Should Be Meaningful**:
   * You should only overload operators in ways that make sense for the custom type.
   * For example, overloading the + operator for a class that represents ComplexNumber should logically combine two complex numbers rather than perform an unrelated operation.
8. **Cannot Change Operator's Precedence**:
   * The **precedence** of operators (i.e., the order in which operations are performed) cannot be changed by overloading.
   * Operator overloading only changes the behavior of the operator, not its priority or associativity.
9. **Overloading true and false**:
   * You can overload the true and false operators, but you need to implement them explicitly for logical operations.
   * This is often used when implementing custom types that can be evaluated as Boolean values.

16.)  **Concept of Delegates in C#**

**Theory:**

A **delegate** in C# is a type that represents a reference to a method. It allows methods to be passed as parameters, making it a powerful feature for **event handling**, **callback methods**, and **multithreading**. Delegates can point to either **instance methods** or **static methods**.

Think of a delegate as a **type-safe function pointer**. When you declare a delegate, you are defining the signature of the method that the delegate will point to. The method can then be called via the delegate.

**Key Points about Delegates:**

1. **Type-Safe**: A delegate is type-safe, meaning it will only reference methods with a matching signature (i.e., return type and parameters).
2. **Multicast**: A delegate can point to multiple methods. When invoked, it will call all the methods in its invocation list.
3. **Encapsulation**: Delegates encapsulate method calls, allowing methods to be passed as arguments to other methods or stored in collections.
4. **Used for Event Handling**: Delegates are commonly used in **event-driven programming**, especially for handling events like button clicks, etc.
5. **Can Point to Instance or Static Methods**: Delegates can reference both instance methods and static methods.

**Syntax for Declaring a Delegate:**

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// Delegate declaration

delegate returnType DelegateName(parameterType parameterName);

* returnType: The return type of the methods that the delegate will point to.
* DelegateName: The name of the delegate type.
* parameterType: The type of the parameters that the delegate method will accept.
* parameterName: The name of the parameter.

**Example 1: Simple Delegate**

In this example, we define a delegate that points to a method that adds two numbers:

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using System;

// Delegate declaration

delegate int AddNumbers(int num1, int num2);

class Program

{

// Method that matches the delegate signature

static int Add(int a, int b)

{

return a + b;

}

static void Main()

{

// Delegate instantiation and method binding

AddNumbers addDelegate = new AddNumbers(Add);

// Using delegate to call the method

int result = addDelegate(5, 3);

Console.WriteLine($"The sum is: {result}"); // Output: The sum is: 8

}

}

**Explanation:**

* The AddNumbers delegate is declared to represent methods that take two int parameters and return an int.
* The Add method is implemented to match the delegate's signature.
* The delegate addDelegate is instantiated and assigned the Add method.
* Finally, we invoke the delegate to call the Add method.

17.) **Event Handling in C# (5 Mark Answer)**

Event handling in C# is a mechanism that enables a class or object (the **publisher**) to notify other classes or objects (the **subscribers**) when a particular action occurs, such as a user interaction or a change in the system. It is based on the **delegate** concept and is primarily used in **event-driven programming**.

**Key Concepts:**

1. **Delegate Type**: Events in C# are based on delegates. A delegate is a type-safe function pointer, representing methods that match a specific signature.
2. **Event Declaration**: Events are declared using the event keyword, followed by the delegate type. This ensures that only methods matching the delegate's signature can be subscribed to the event.
3. public event EventHandler EventName;
4. **Event Subscription**: A method can subscribe to an event using the += operator. Multiple methods can subscribe to the same event.
5. publisher.EventName += subscriber.Method;
6. **Event Invocation**: The event is raised (or invoked) in the **publisher** class using the Invoke method. It notifies all the subscribed methods about the event.
7. EventName?.Invoke(this, EventArgs.Empty);
8. **Event Unsubscription**: A method can unsubscribe from an event using the -= operator, preventing it from receiving future notifications.
9. publisher.EventName -= subscriber.Method;

**Example:**

using System;

delegate void NotifyEventHandler(string message);

class Publisher

{

public event NotifyEventHandler Notify;

public void RaiseEvent(string message)

{

Notify?.Invoke(message);

}

}

class Subscriber

{

public void OnNotificationReceived(string message)

{

Console.WriteLine($"Received: {message}");

}

}

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

Publisher publisher = new Publisher();

Subscriber subscriber = new Subscriber();

publisher.Notify += subscriber.OnNotificationReceived;

publisher.RaiseEvent("Event Raised!");

}

}

**Explanation:**

* **Publisher**: Defines an event Notify using a delegate NotifyEventHandler. It raises the event with a message.
* **Subscriber**: Subscribes to the event and defines the method OnNotificationReceived to handle the event.
* **Main**: The Main method subscribes to the event and raises the event using RaiseEvent.

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| **Aspect** | **Data Types** | **Class Types** |
| **Definition** | Defines the types of data that variables can store. | Defines the blueprint for objects and encapsulates data and behavior. |
| **Memory Allocation** | Stored on the stack (for value types). | Stored on the heap (for reference types). |
| **Size** | Fixed size, defined by the type (e.g., int is 4 bytes). | Size is dynamic, based on the object's properties. |
| **Type** | Built-in types like int, char, bool, float. | User-defined types (e.g., class keyword). |
| **Inheritance** | Cannot inherit from other data types. | Can inherit from other classes and implement interfaces. |
| **Default Value** | Has default values like 0, false, null for reference types. | Reference types default to null, but objects may have their own default values. |
| **Assignment Behavior** | Direct assignment by value (copied). | Assigned by reference (shallow or deep copy possible). |
| **Usage** | Used to represent simple values (numbers, characters). | Used to represent more complex structures and behaviors (objects). |
| **Example** | int, float, char, bool. | class Person, class Car, class Employee. |
| **Storage Location** | Typically stored in the stack (except for boxed value types). | Stored in the heap, accessed via a reference. |

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| **Aspect** | **Implicit Conversion** | **Explicit Conversion** |
| **Definition** | Type conversion that is automatically handled by the compiler without needing explicit code. | Type conversion that requires the programmer to manually specify the conversion. |
| **Syntax** | No explicit syntax is needed, handled by the compiler. | Requires the use of a cast operator () to explicitly cast the value. |
| **Data Loss** | No data loss occurs since it involves widening conversion (larger data types). | May cause data loss or loss of precision when narrowing data types. |
| **Example** | int x = 10; double y = x; | double x = 10.5; int y = (int)x; |
| **Compatibility** | Happens between compatible types (e.g., int to long, float to double). | Often used between incompatible types (e.g., double to int, long to short). |
| **Use Case** | Used when converting between types that are guaranteed to fit within each other. | Used when there's a risk of data loss or when converting between different class types or narrowing types. |
| **Example Use** | Converting smaller numeric types to larger types (e.g., int to long). | Converting larger numeric types to smaller types (e.g., double to int). |
| **Error Handling** | No explicit handling required as it is safe and happens automatically. | Can result in runtime errors if the conversion is invalid or causes data loss. |

20.) **Initialization and Multiple Declaration in C# (5 Marks Answer)**

In C#, variable **initialization** and **multiple declarations** are important concepts to understand how variables are created, assigned values, and how you can declare several variables in a single line.

**1. Initialization in C#**

**Initialization** is the process of assigning an initial value to a variable at the time of its declaration.

* **Why is it important?**: Initialization ensures that the variable holds a meaningful value before it is used in the program. If you attempt to use an uninitialized variable, it can lead to runtime errors or unexpected behavior.
* **Default Initialization**: In C#, variables of value types (like int, float, etc.) are automatically initialized with default values if no explicit initialization is provided. Reference types are set to null by default.

**Syntax for Initialization:**

// Explicit Initialization

int num = 10; // Initialization with a value

string name = "John"; // Initializing a string with a value

// Default Initialization (for value types)

int x; // x is implicitly initialized to 0 (default value for int)

**Example of Initialization:**

int age = 25; // Direct initialization

string name = "Alice"; // Direct initialization

double price; // Declaration without initialization, default value is 0.0

In this example:

* age is explicitly initialized to 25.
* name is explicitly initialized to "Alice".
* price is declared but not initialized. By default, it will have a value of 0.0.

**2. Multiple Declaration in C#**

**Multiple Declaration** refers to declaring more than one variable of the same type in a single line. C# allows you to declare and initialize multiple variables of the same type using a comma-separated list.

* **Why is it useful?**: It saves space and can make code more concise when declaring multiple variables of the same type.

**Syntax for Multiple Declaration:**

int a = 10, b = 20, c = 30; // Declaring and initializing multiple variables of type int

You can also declare variables without initializing them:

int x, y, z; // Declaring multiple variables of type int

You can initialize them later in the code:

x = 1;

y = 2;

z = 3;

**Example of Multiple Declaration:**

int x = 10, y = 20, z = 30; // Declare and initialize three int variables

string firstName = "John", lastName = "Doe"; // Multiple declarations for string variables

In this example:

* Three variables x, y, and z of type int are declared and initialized in one line.
* Two variables firstName and lastName of type string are declared and initialized in one line.

**Key Points:**

* **Initialization** ensures that a variable is assigned an initial value when it is declared.
* **Multiple Declarations** allow declaring multiple variables of the same type in a single line to make the code more compact and readable.
* C# requires **explicit initialization** for non-nullable value types (e.g., int, bool, float). For reference types, the default value is null.

**Example Code (Combining Initialization and Multiple Declaration):**

using System;

class Program

{

static void Main()

{

// Initializing multiple variables of the same type in one line

int a = 5, b = 10, c = 15; // Declaration and initialization

string name = "Alice", city = "New York"; // Multiple string declarations

// Output the initialized values

Console.WriteLine($"a: {a}, b: {b}, c: {c}");

Console.WriteLine($"Name: {name}, City: {city}");

}

}

**Explanation of the Code:**

* The variables a, b, and c are declared and initialized to 5, 10, and 15 respectively in one line.
* Similarly, the name and city variables are initialized with "Alice" and "New York".
* The values of all variables are then printed using Console.WriteLine.

21.) **Difference Between Boolean Type and Floating Type in C#**

1. **Data Type**:
   * **Boolean Type**: The data type for boolean values is bool. It can only hold two values: true or false.
   * **Floating Type**: The floating-point types in C# are float and double. These are used to represent numbers that can have decimal points.
2. **Size**:
   * **Boolean Type**: A bool takes 1 byte (8 bits) of memory.
   * **Floating Type**:
     + A float takes 4 bytes (32 bits).
     + A double takes 8 bytes (64 bits).
3. **Values**:
   * **Boolean Type**: A bool variable can only hold two possible values: true or false.
   * **Floating Type**: float and double can hold any real number, including negative, positive, and fractional numbers (e.g., 3.14, -0.5, 1.0).
4. **Default Value**:
   * **Boolean Type**: The default value for a bool is false.
   * **Floating Type**: The default value for both float and double is 0.0.
5. **Range**:
   * **Boolean Type**: There is no range for boolean values since they are only true or false.
   * **Floating Type**:
     + A float can represent values ranging from approximately ±3.4 × 10^38 to ±1.5 × 10^−45.
     + A double can represent values ranging from approximately ±1.7 × 10^308 to ±5.0 × 10^−324.
6. **Precision**:
   * **Boolean Type**: Precision is not applicable as it only holds two states: true or false.
   * **Floating Type**:
     + A float has a precision of about 7 digits.
     + A double has a precision of about 15–16 digits.
7. **Usage**:
   * **Boolean Type**: Typically used in logical expressions, condition checks, flags, and control flow (e.g., if statements).
   * **Floating Type**: Used in numerical calculations where decimal precision is needed (e.g., for scientific calculations, financial calculations, etc.).
8. **Operations**:
   * **Boolean Type**: Supports logical operations like && (AND), || (OR), and ! (NOT).
   * **Floating Type**: Supports arithmetic operations like addition (+), subtraction (-), multiplication (\*), division (/), and modulus (%).
9. **Example**:
   * **Boolean Type**:
   * bool isActive = true; // Boolean variable holding true
   * **Floating Type**:
   * float price = 19.99f; // Float variable
   * double height = 5.9; // Double variable

22.) **Difference Between Multilevel and Hierarchical Inheritance in C#**

1. **Definition**:
   * **Multilevel Inheritance** is a type of inheritance where a class derives from a class which is also derived from another class.
   * **Hierarchical Inheritance** is when multiple classes inherit from a single base class.
2. **Structure**:
   * **Multilevel** forms a chain (e.g., Class A → Class B → Class C).
   * **Hierarchical** forms a tree structure (e.g., Class A → Class B, Class A → Class C).
3. **Base Class**:
   * In **multilevel**, there's one base class and subsequent levels of derived classes.
   * In **hierarchical**, one base class is extended by multiple derived classes.
4. **Code Example**:

**Multilevel Inheritance**:

class A { }

class B : A { }

class C : B { }

**Hierarchical Inheritance**:

class A { }

class B : A { }

class C : A { }

1. **Usage**:
   * Use **multilevel** when building a feature step-by-step in different layers.
   * Use **hierarchical** when several classes share common behavior from one base.
2. **Reusability**:
   * **Multilevel** offers reusability through inheritance layers.
   * **Hierarchical** promotes reusability by sharing base class features with multiple derived classes.

**10 MARKS**

1. **Boxing and Unboxing in C#**

**Boxing** and **unboxing** are two important concepts in C# related to value types and reference types. They refer to the process of converting between value types (like int, double, char, etc.) and reference types (like object).

**1. Boxing**

* **Definition**: Boxing is the process of converting a **value type** (e.g., int, double) into a **reference type** (specifically, an object type).
* **Purpose**: It allows a value type to be treated as an object, which is a reference type, and thus enables storage of value types in collections or variables that require object type.
* **How it works**: During boxing, the value type is wrapped inside an object and stored on the heap. This involves copying the value from the stack to the heap.
* **Example**:

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int num = 10; // 'num' is a value type

object obj = num; // Boxing: 'num' is boxed into an object

In the example:

* num is a value type (int), and it's boxed into the object variable obj.

**2. Unboxing**

* **Definition**: Unboxing is the process of converting a **reference type** (specifically, an object) back into its **original value type**.
* **Purpose**: It allows a boxed value type to be used as its original type again. Unboxing requires an explicit cast.
* **How it works**: During unboxing, the value is extracted from the heap and placed back onto the stack as a value type.
* **Example**:

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object obj = 10; // Boxing

int num = (int)obj; // Unboxing: 'obj' is unboxed into an 'int'

In the example:

* The boxed object variable obj is unboxed back into the int type and assigned to the variable num.

**Key Differences between Boxing and Unboxing**

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| **Boxing** | **Unboxing** |
| Converts a value type to a reference type (object). | Converts a reference type (object) back to a value type. |
| Implicit conversion (done automatically). | Explicit conversion (requires casting). |
| Involves creating a new object on the heap. | Involves extracting the value from the object. |
| More memory consumption (because of heap storage). | Less memory consumption (just the value is retrieved). |

**Performance Considerations**

* **Boxing** and **unboxing** can be costly in terms of performance because boxing involves copying the value to the heap and unboxing requires a runtime type check. Excessive boxing and unboxing in a program can lead to performance bottlenecks, especially in tight loops.
* **Recommendation**: If you're working with value types frequently and need to avoid boxing, consider using **generic collections** (e.g., List<int>) instead of non-generic collections (e.g., Array List), which avoid the need for boxing/unboxing.
* **Boxing**: Converting a value type (e.g., int) to a reference type (object).
* **Unboxing**: Converting a reference type (object) back to the original value type (e.g., int).

Both operations are essential for working with value types and reference types, but care should be taken to avoid unnecessary performance overhead.

2.) **Constants in C# (10-Mark Explanation)**

In C#, **constants** are immutable values that are known at **compile time** and do not change for the life of the program. Constants help improve readability, maintainability, and prevent accidental modification of important values.

**✅ Definition:**

A **constant** is a variable whose value is assigned at the time of declaration and cannot be changed later.

const datatype constantName = value;

**✅ Key Features:**

1. **Fixed Value**: Value must be assigned at compile time and cannot be changed.
2. **Static by Default**: Constants are implicitly static.
3. **Memory Efficiency**: As they are replaced at compile time, they don’t take memory during runtime.
4. **Improved Readability**: Makes code easier to understand by replacing magic numbers.
5. **No Object Dependency**: Can be accessed using the class name directly.

**✅ Rules for Constants:**

* Must be initialized during declaration.
* Cannot be assigned a value from a method or runtime calculation.
* Only primitive types (int, float, char, string, etc.) or expressions made from them can be used.
* Cannot use new keyword or reference types.

**✅ Example:**

class Circle

{

public const double Pi = 3.14159; // constant

public double Radius;

public double GetArea()

{

return Pi \* Radius \* Radius;

}

}

In this example, Pi is a constant and its value will never change throughout the execution of the program.

**✅ Benefits of Constants:**

1. Prevents accidental modification.
2. Enhances program clarity and reliability.
3. Reduces duplication by using symbolic names instead of literal values.
4. Improves maintainability — you only need to change the value in one place if needed.

**3.) Detailed Explanation of Evaluation and Expressions**

In programming, **expressions** and **evaluation** are core concepts that are involved in calculating and manipulating values. An **expression** is a combination of variables, constants, operators, and functions that results in a value. **Evaluation** refers to the process of calculating or determining the value of an expression.

Let’s break these down further:

**1. Expressions**

An **expression** is a statement that produces a value when evaluated. It can involve **constants**, **variables**, **operators**, and **function calls**. Expressions can be of different types, depending on the operations they perform.

**Types of Expressions:**

1. **Arithmetic Expressions**:
   * These involve arithmetic operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and modulus.
   * **Example**:

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int sum = 5 + 3 \* 2; // Evaluates to 11

* + - The multiplication is performed first due to operator precedence, so the expression evaluates as 5 + (3 \* 2).

1. **Relational Expressions**:
   * These compare two values and return a boolean (true or false).
   * Common operators: ==, !=, <, >, <=, >=.
   * **Example**:

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bool isEqual = (10 > 5); // Evaluates to true

1. **Logical Expressions**:
   * These are used to combine boolean values and return a boolean result.
   * Common logical operators: && (AND), || (OR), ! (NOT).
   * **Example**:

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bool result = (age > 18 && hasID); // Evaluates based on conditions

1. **Conditional Expressions**:
   * The ternary operator (? :) is used as a shorthand for if-else statements.
   * **Example**:

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int max = (a > b) ? a : b; // If a > b, max = a; else max = b

1. **Assignment Expressions**:
   * Used to assign a value to a variable.
   * **Example**:

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int x = 10; // Assignment expression

1. **Method Call Expressions**:
   * Involve calling a method and using its return value.
   * **Example**:

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int length = myString.Length; // Method call expression

**2. Evaluation of Expressions**

**Evaluation** is the process of calculating the result of an expression. When an expression is evaluated, the program follows a set of rules, such as **operator precedence**, **associativity**, and **short-circuit evaluation**, to compute the final value.

**Key Concepts in Evaluation:**

1. **Operator Precedence**:
   * Operator precedence determines the order in which operators are applied in an expression.
   * **Example**:

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int result = 5 + 3 \* 2; // Multiplication has higher precedence than addition

* + - This evaluates to 5 + 6, resulting in 11.
  + The precedence order for common operators (highest to lowest) is:
    - Parentheses ()
    - Unary operators (++, --, +, -)
    - Multiplication \*, Division /, Modulus %
    - Addition +, Subtraction -
    - Relational operators (<, >, <=, >=, ==, !=)
    - Logical operators (&&, ||)

1. **Operator Associativity**:
   * Determines the order in which operators of the same precedence are evaluated. Most operators in C# are left-associative, meaning they are evaluated from left to right.
   * **Example**:

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int result = 10 - 3 - 2; // Left-associative, evaluated as (10 - 3) - 2

// Result: 5

1. **Short-Circuit Evaluation**:
   * In logical expressions, if the result can be determined from the first part of the expression, the second part will not be evaluated.
   * **AND (&&)**: If the first condition is false, the overall result is false, and the second condition is not evaluated.
   * **OR (||)**: If the first condition is true, the overall result is true, and the second condition is not evaluated.
   * **Example**:

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bool isAdult = (age >= 18 && hasID); // If age < 18, hasID won't be evaluated.

1. **Evaluation in Expressions Involving Mixed Types**:
   * When an expression contains operands of different types (e.g., integer and float), C# will automatically perform type conversion to ensure the expression can be evaluated.
   * **Example**:

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double result = 5 + 3.5; // 5 is converted to a double, so result is 8.5

**Evaluation Example**

Consider the following expression:

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int x = 10;

int y = 5;

int result = (x + y) \* 2; // (10 + 5) \* 2 = 15 \* 2 = 30

1. **Step 1**: Evaluate the parentheses (x + y) → 10 + 5 = 15.
2. **Step 2**: Multiply the result by 2 → 15 \* 2 = 30.
3. **Step 3**: The final result is 30.

* **Expression**: A combination of variables, constants, operators, and functions that results in a value. Common types include arithmetic, relational, logical, and conditional expressions.
* **Evaluation**: The process of computing the result of an expression, taking into account operator precedence, associativity, and short-circuit evaluation.

**Key Points:**

* **Operator Precedence** determines the order of operations in an expression.
* **Associativity** defines the direction in which operators are applied when their precedence is the same.
* **Short-Circuit Evaluation** prevents unnecessary evaluation of the second operand in logical expressions if the result can be determined from the first operand.

Understanding expressions and evaluation helps in writing efficient and correct code that produces the desired result.

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