Constructors in Java

In <u>Java</u>, a constructor is a block of codes similar to the method. It is called when an instance of the <u>class</u> is created. At the time of calling constructor, memory for the object is allocated in the memory.

It is a special type of method which is used to initialize the object.

Every time an object is created using the new() keyword, at least one constructor is called.

It calls a default constructor if there is no constructor available in the class. In such case, Java compiler provides a default constructor by default.

Rules for creating Java constructor

There are two rules defined for the constructor.

- 1. Constructor name must be the same as its class name
- 2. A Constructor must have no explicit return type
- 3. A Java constructor cannot be abstract, static, final, and synchronized

Types of Java constructors

There are two types of constructors in Java:

- 1. Default constructor (no-arg constructor)
- 2. Parameterized constructor

Java Default Constructor

A constructor is called "Default Constructor" when it doesn't have any parameter.

Syntax of default constructor:

- 1. <class_name>(){}
- 2.

Example of default constructor

- 1. //Java Program to create and call a default constructor
- 2. class Bike1{
- 3. //creating a default constructor
- 4. Bike1()
- 5. {
- System.out.println("Bike is created");

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7. }
8. //main method
9. public static void main(String args[])
10. {
11. //calling a default constructor
12. Bike1 b=new Bike1();
13. }
14. }
```

Example of default constructor that displays the default values

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1. //Let us see another example of default constructor
2. //which displays the default values
3. class Student3
4. {
5. int id;
6. String name;
7. //method to display the value of id and name
8. void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name);
9. }
10.
11. public static void main(String args[])
12. {
13. //creating objects
14. Student3 s1=new Student3();
15. Student3 s2=new Student3();
16. //displaying values of the object
17. s1.display();
18. s2.display();
19.}
20.}
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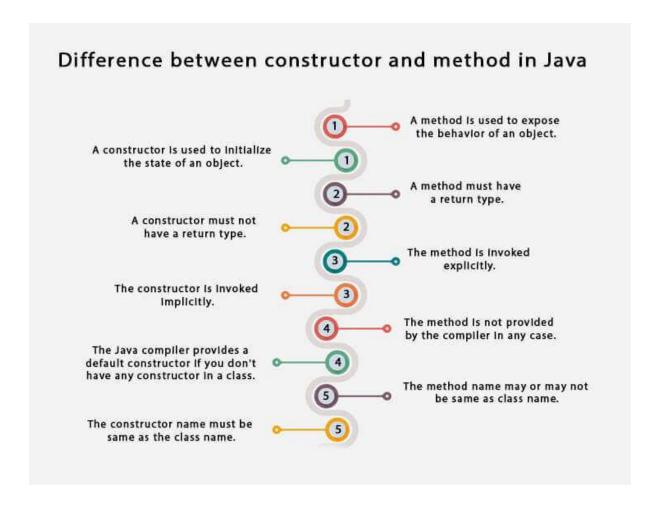
Java Parameterized Constructor

A constructor which has a specific number of parameters is called a parameterized constructor.

Why use the parameterized constructor?

The parameterized constructor is used to provide different values to distinct objects. However, you can provide the same values also.

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//Java Program to demonstrate the use of the parameterized constructor.
1. class Student4{
2.
     int id;
3.
     String name;
     Student4(int i,String n)
4.
5. {
6.
     id = i;
7.
     name = n;
8.
     void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name);
9.
10.}
     public static void main(String args[])
11.
12. {
13.
     Student4 s1 = new Student4(111, "Karan");
     Student4 s2 = new Student4(222, "Aryan");
14.
     s1.display();
15.
     s2.display();
16.
17. }
18.}
```



Java Copy Constructor

There is no copy constructor in Java. However, we can copy the values from one object to another like copy constructor in C++.

There are many ways to copy the values of one object into another in Java. They are:

- o By constructor
- o By assigning the values of one object into another

```
class Student6
{
  int id;
  String name;

  Student6(int i,String n)
{
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id = i;
name = n;
}
Student6(Student6 s){
id = s.id;
name =s.name;
}
void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name);
}

public static void main(String args[])
{
   Student6 s1 = new Student6(111,"Karan");
   Student6 s2 = new Student6(s1);
   s1.display();
   s2.display();
}
```

Copying values without constructor

```
1. class Student7{
2.
     int id;
3.
     String name;
     Student7(int i,String n){
4.
5.
     id = i:
6.
     name = n;
7.
8.
     Student7(){}
     void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name);}
9.
10.
     public static void main(String args[]){
11.
12.
     Student7 s1 = new Student7(111, "Karan");
13.
     Student7 s2 = new Student7();
```

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14. s2.id=s1.id;

15. s2.name=s1.name;

16. s1.display();

17. s2.display();

18. }

19.}
```