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# JC2002 Java Programming

## Lecture 8: Enum types, static, and final

# Enum types and keywords static and final

- What are enum types?
  - Enum declaration
- Keyword static
  - Static class members
  - Static import
- Keyword final
  - Principle of least privilege
  - Final instance variables
- Much of the material is based on slides from ***Java: How to Program***, chapter 8, which is available via MyAberdeen

# What are enum types?

- Like classes, all `enum` types are reference types
- The basic `enum` type defines a set of constants represented as unique identifiers
- For every `enum`, the compiler generates the `static` method **`values()`** that returns an array of the `enum`'s constants
- The `enum` constants can be used anywhere constants can be used, such as in the `case` labels of `switch` statements and to control enhanced `for` statements

# Enum declaration

- An `enum` type is declared with an *enum declaration*, which is a *comma-separated* list of `enum` *constants*
- The declaration may optionally include other components of traditional classes, such as constructors, fields and methods
  - An `enum` constructor can specify any number of parameters and it can be overloaded
- Each `enum` declaration declares an `enum` class with the following restrictions:
  - `Enum` constants are implicitly `final` and `static`
  - Any attempt to create an object of an `enum` type with operator `new` results in a compilation error

# Enum declaration example

Book.java

```
1   public enum Book {
2     // declare constants of enum type
3     JHTP("Java How to Program", "2018"),
4     CHTP("C How to Program", "2016"),
5     IW3HTP("Internet & World Wide Web How to Program", "2012"),
6     CPPHTP("C++ How to Program", "2017"),
7     VBHTP("Visual Basic How to Program", "2014"),
8     CSHARPHTP("Visual C# How to Program", "2017");
9
10    // instance fields
11    private final String title;
12    private final String copyrightYear;
13
14   // enum constructor
15    Book(String title, String copyrightYear) {
16      this.title = title;
17      this.copyrightYear = copyrightYear;
18    }
```

```
18    // accessor for field title
19    public String getTitle() {
20      return title;
21    }
22    // accessor for field copyrightYear
23    public String getCopyrightYear() {
24      return copyrightYear;
25    }
26  }
```

# Enum methods

- The enhanced `for` statement can be used with an `EnumSet` just as it can with an array
- Method **`range()`** of class **`EnumSet`** (declared in package `java.util`) can be used to access a range of an `enum`'s constants
  - Method `range` takes two parameters: the first and the last `enum` constant in the range
  - Returns an `EnumSet` that contains all the constants between these two constants, both inclusive
- Class `EnumSet` provides several other `static` methods

# Enum usage example

EnumTest.java

```
1   import java.util.EnumSet;
2
3   public class EnumTest {
4     public static void main(String[] args) {
5       System.out.println("All books:");
6       // print all books in enum Book
7       for (Book book : Book.values()) {
8         System.out.printf("%-10s%-45s%s%n", book,
9           book.getTitle(), book.getCopyrightYear());
10      }
11      System.out.printf("%nDisplay a range of enum constants:%n");
12      // print first four books
13      for (Book book : EnumSet.range(Book.JHTP, Book.CPPHTP)) {
14        System.out.printf("%-10s%-45s%s%n", book,
15          book.getTitle(), book.getCopyrightYear());
16      }
17    }
18  }
```

```
All books:
JHTP      Java How to Program                           2018
CHTP      C How to Program                              2016
IW3HTP    Internet & World Wide Web How to Program      2012
CPPHTP    C++ How to Program                            2017
VBHTP     Visual Basic How to Program                   2014
CSHARPHTP Visual C# How to Program                      2017

Display a range of enum constants:
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IW3HTP    Internet & World Wide Web How to Program      2012
CPPHTP    C++ How to Program                            2017
```
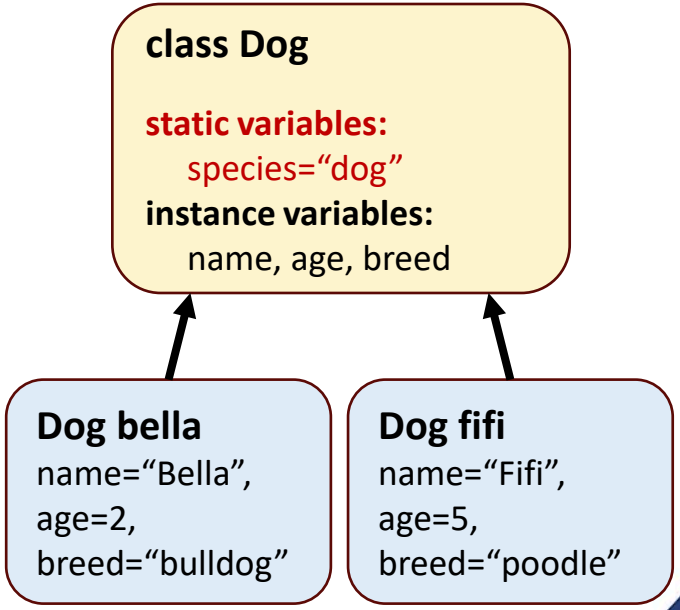

# Static class members

- A `static` field (called a *class variable*) is used in the case of only one copy of a particular variable should be *shared* by all objects of a class
- A `static` variable have *class scope*, which represents *class-wide* information: all objects of the class share the *same* piece of data, and it can also be used in all of the class's methods
- The declaration of a `static` variable begins with the keyword `static`



# Features of static class members

- Static class members are available as soon as the class is loaded into memory at execution time
  - Class members declared as `private static` can be accessed by client code only through methods of the class
  - A class's `public static` members can be accessed through a reference to any object of the class, or by qualifying the member name with the class name and a dot (`.`), as in `Math.random()`
- When no objects of the class exist:
  - To access a `public static` member, prefix the class name and a dot (`.`) to the `static` member, as in `Math.PI`
  - To access a `private static` member, provide a `public static` method and call it by qualifying its name with the class name and a dot

# Features of static methods

- Since a `static` method can be called even when no objects of the class have been instantiated, a `static` method *cannot* access a class's instance variables and instance methods
  - The `this` reference *cannot* be used in a `static` method: the `this` reference must refer to a specific object of the class, but when a `static` method is called, there might not be any objects of its class in memory
- If a `static` variable is not initialized, the compiler assigns it a default value (e.g., the default value for type `int` is `0`)

# Static class member example (1)

Employee.java

```
1   public class Employee {
2     private static int count = 0;
3     private String firstName;
4     private String lastName;
5     // Constructor
6     public Employee(String firstName,
7         String lastName) {
8       this.firstName = firstName;
9       this.lastName = lastName;
10      ++count; // increment static count
11      System.out.printf("Name %s %s; count = %d%n",
12          firstName, lastName, count);
13    }
14    public String getFirstName() {
15      return firstName;
16    }
17    public String getLastName() {
18      return lastName;
19    }
20    public static int getCount() {
21      return count;
22    }
23  }
```

EmployeeTest.java

```
1   public class EmployeeTest {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3     System.out.printf("Employees before: %d\n",
4         Employee.getCount());
5     // create two Employees; count should be 2
6     Employee e1 = new Employee("Susan", "Baker");
7     Employee e2 = new Employee("Bob", "Blue");
8
9     // show that count is now 2
10    System.out.printf("\nEmployees after:\n");
11    System.out.printf("via e1.getCount(): %d\n",
12        e1.getCount());
13    System.out.printf("via e2.getCount(): %d\n",
15        e2.getCount());
16    System.out.printf("via Employee.getCount(): %d\n",
17        Employee.getCount());
18    // get names of Employees
19    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 1: %s %s%n",
20        e1.getFirstName(), e1.getLastName());
21    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 2: %s %s%n",
22        e2.getFirstName(), e2.getLastName());
23    }
24  }
```

# Static class member example (2)

Employee.java

```
1   public class Employee {
2     private static int count = 0;
3     private String firstName;
4     private String lastName;
5     // Constructor
6     public Employee(String firstName
                                          %d%n",
13    }
14    public String getFirstName() {
15      return firstName;
16    }
17    public String getLastName() {
18      return lastName;
19    }
20    public static int getCount() {
21      return count;
22    }
23  }
```

Counter variable `count` is a static variable shared by all the instances of class `Employee`.

EmployeeTest.java

```
1   public class EmployeeTest {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3     System.out.printf("Employees before: %d\n",
4         Employee.getCount());
5     // create two Employees; count should be 2
6     Employee e1 = new Employee("Susan", "Baker");
7     Employee e2 = new Employee("Bob", "Blue");
8
9     // show that count is now 2
10    System.out.printf("\nEmployees after:\n");
11    System.out.printf("via e1.getCount(): %d\n",
12        e1.getCount());
13    System.out.printf("via e2.getCount(): %d\n",
15        e2.getCount());
16    System.out.printf("via Employee.getCount(): %d\n",
17        Employee.getCount());
18    // get names of Employees
19    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 1: %s %s%n",
20        e1.getFirstName(), e1.getLastName());
21    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 2: %s %s%n",
22        e2.getFirstName(), e2.getLastName());
23    }
24  }
```

# Static class member example (3)

Employee.java

```
1   public class Employee {
2     private static int count = 0;
3     private String firstName;
4     private String lastName;
5     // Constructor
6     public Employee(String firstName,
7         String lastName) {
8       this.firstName = firstName;
9       this.lastName = lastName;
10      ++count; // increment static count
11      System.out.printf("Name %s %s; count = %d%n",
12          firstName, lastName, count);
13    }
17    public String getLastName() {
18      return lastName;
19    }
20    public static int getCount() {
21      return count;
22    }
23  }
```

```
Employees before: 0
```

EmployeeTest.java

```
1   public class EmployeeTest {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3     System.out.printf("Employees before: %d\n",
4         Employee.getCount());
5     // create two Employees; count should be 2
6     Employee e1 = new Employee("Susan", "Baker");
7     Employee e2 = new Employee("Bob", "Blue");
8
9     // show that count is now 2
10    System.out.printf("\nEmployees after:\n");
11    System.out.printf("via e1.getCount(): %d\n",
12        e1.getCount());
13    System.out.printf("via e2.getCount(): %d\n",
15        e2.getCount());
16    System.out.printf("via Employee.getCount(): %d\n",
17        Employee.getCount());
18    // get names of Employees
19    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 1: %s %s%n",
20        e1.getFirstName(), e1.getLastName());
21    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 2: %s %s%n",
22        e2.getFirstName(), e2.getLastName());
23    }
24  }
```

# Static class member example (4)

Employee.java

```
1   public class Employee {
2     private static int count = 0;
3     private String firstName;
4     private String lastName;
5     // Constructor
6     public Employee(String firstName,
7         String lastName) {
8       this.firstName = firstName;
9       this.lastName = lastName;
10      ++count; // increment static count
11      System.out.printf("Name %s %s; count = %d%n",
12          firstName, lastName, count);
13    }
19    }
20    public static int getCount() {
21      return count;
22    }
23  }
```

```
Employees before: 0
Name: Susan Baker; count = 1
Name: Bob Blue; count = 2
```

EmployeeTest.java

```
1   public class EmployeeTest {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3     System.out.printf("Employees before: %d\n",
4         Employee.getCount());
5     // create two Employees; count should be 2
6     Employee e1 = new Employee("Susan", "Baker");
7     Employee e2 = new Employee("Bob", "Blue");
8
9     // show that count is now 2
10    System.out.printf("\nEmployees after:\n");
11    System.out.printf("via e1.getCount(): %d\n",
12        e1.getCount());
13    System.out.printf("via e2.getCount(): %d\n",
15        e2.getCount());
16    System.out.printf("via Employee.getCount(): %d\n",
17        Employee.getCount());
18    // get names of Employees
19    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 1: %s %s%n",
20        e1.getFirstName(), e1.getLastName());
21    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 2: %s %s%n",
22        e2.getFirstName(), e2.getLastName());
23    }
24  }
```

# Static class member example (5)

Employee.java

```
1   public class Employee {
2     private static int count = 0;
3     private String firstName;
4     private String lastName;
5     // Constructor
6     public Employee(String firstName,
7         String lastName) {
8       this.firstName = firstName;
9       this.lastName = lastName;
10      ++count; // increment static count
11      System.out.printf("Name %s %s; count = %d%n",
12          firstName, lastName, count);
13    }
```

```
Employees before: 0
Name: Susan Baker; count = 1
Name: Bob Blue; count = 2

Employees after:
via e1.getCount(): 2
via e2.getCount(): 2
via Employee.getCount(): 2
```

EmployeeTest.java

```
1   public class EmployeeTest {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3     System.out.printf("Employees before: %d\n",
4         Employee.getCount());
5     // create two Employees; count should be 2
6     Employee e1 = new Employee("Susan", "Baker");
7     Employee e2 = new Employee("Bob", "Blue");
8
9     // show that count is now 2
10    System.out.printf("\nEmployees after:\n");
11    System.out.printf("via e1.getCount(): %d\n",
12        e1.getCount());
13    System.out.printf("via e2.getCount(): %d\n",
15        e2.getCount());
16    System.out.printf("via Employee.getCount(): %d\n",
17        Employee.getCount());
18    // get names of Employees
19    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 1: %s %s%n",
20        e1.getFirstName(), e1.getLastName());
21    System.out.printf("\nEmployee 2: %s %s%n",
22        e2.getFirstName(), e2.getLastName());
23    }
24  }
```

# Static class member example (6)

Employee.java

```
1   public class Employee {
2     private static int count = 0;
3     private String firstName;
4     private String lastName;
5     // Constructor
6     public Employee(String firstName,
7         String lastName) {
8       this.firstName = firstName;
9       this.lastName = lastName;
10      ++count; // increment static count
```

```
Employees before: 0
Name: Susan Baker; count = 1
Name: Bob Blue; count = 2

Employees after:
via e1.getCount(): 2
via e2.getCount(): 2
via Employee.getCount(): 2

Employee 1: Susan Baker
Employee 2: Bob Blue
```

EmployeeTest.java

```
1  public class EmployeeTest {
2    public static void main(String[] args) {
3    System.out.printf("Employees before: %d\n",
4        Employee.getCount());
5    // create two Employees; count should be 2
6    Employee e1 = new Employee("Susan", "Baker");
7    Employee e2 = new Employee("Bob", "Blue");
8
9    // show that count is now 2
10   System.out.printf("\nEmployees after:\n");
11   System.out.printf("via e1.getCount(): %d\n",
12       e1.getCount());
13   System.out.printf("via e2.getCount(): %d\n",
15       e2.getCount());
16   System.out.printf("via Employee.getCount(): %d\n",
17       Employee.getCount());
18   // get names of Employees
19   System.out.printf("\nEmployee 1: %s %s%n",
20       e1.getFirstName(), e1.getLastName());
21   System.out.printf("\nEmployee 2: %s %s%n",
22       e2.getFirstName(), e2.getLastName());
23   }
24 }
```

# Static import

- A *static import* declaration enables you to import the `static` members of a class or interface so you can access them via their *unqualified names* in your class. i.e., the class name and a dot (`.`) are *not* required when using an imported `static` member
- Two forms of static import:
  - One that imports a particular `static` member (which is known as *single static import*)
  - One that imports all `static` members of a class (which is known as *static import on demand*)

# Static import syntax

- The following syntax imports a particular `static` member:

  **`import static`** ***`packageName.ClassName.staticMemberName;`***

- The following syntax imports *all* `static` members of a class:

  **`import static`** ***`packageName.ClassName.*;`***

  - where *`packageName`* is the package of the class, *`ClassName`* is the name of the class and *`staticMemberName`* is the name of the `static` field or method
  - Wildcard * indicates that *all* `static` members of the specified class should be imported

- Note that static import declarations import only `static` class members: Regular `import` statements should be used to specify the classes used in a program

# Static import example

```
1   // Static import of Math class methods.
2   import static java.lang.Math.*;
3
4   public class StaticImportTest {
5       public static void main(String[] args) {
6           System.out.printf("sqrt(900.0) = %.1f\n", sqrt(900.0));
7           System.out.printf("ceil(-9.8) = %.1f\n", ceil(-9.8));
8           System.out.printf("E = %f\n", E);
9           System.out.printf("PI = %f\n", PI);
10      }
11  }
```

```
sqrt(900.0) = 30.0
ceil(-9.8) = -9.0
E = 2.718282
PI = 3.141593
```

# Final instance variables

- Keyword `final` specifies that a variable is not modifiable (i.e., it is a constant) and any attempt to modify it gives an error
  - A `final` variable cannot be modified by assignment after it has been initialized
  - A `final` variable can be initialised when is declared, e.g., to declare a `final` (constant) instance variable `INCREMENT` of type `int`, use:

```
private final int INCREMENT;
```

  - Different objects of the class can have different value for the `final` variable, if it is initialised with a different value in different constructors of the class

# Why to use final variables?

- The *principle of least privilege* is fundamental to good software engineering
  - Code should be granted only the amount of privilege and access that it needs to accomplish its designated task, but no more
  - This principle makes your programs more robust by preventing code from accidentally (or maliciously) modifying variable values and calling methods that should not be accessible

# Questions, comments?