



## Call-by-value and call-by-reference in Dart

- Explain the difference between call-by-value and call-by-reference
- Know how to define a generic class
- Be able to use `BoxedValue<T>` class when a variable of the calling method should be modified by a called method



# Quiz

```
Run | Debug
void main(List<String> args) {
  int i = 5;
  String s = "hello";

  duplicateInt(i);
  duplicateString(s);

  print ("i is $i, s is $s");
}

void duplicateInt (int i) {
  i = i + i;
}

void duplicateString (String s) {
  s = s + s;
}
```

What is the output ?



# Solution

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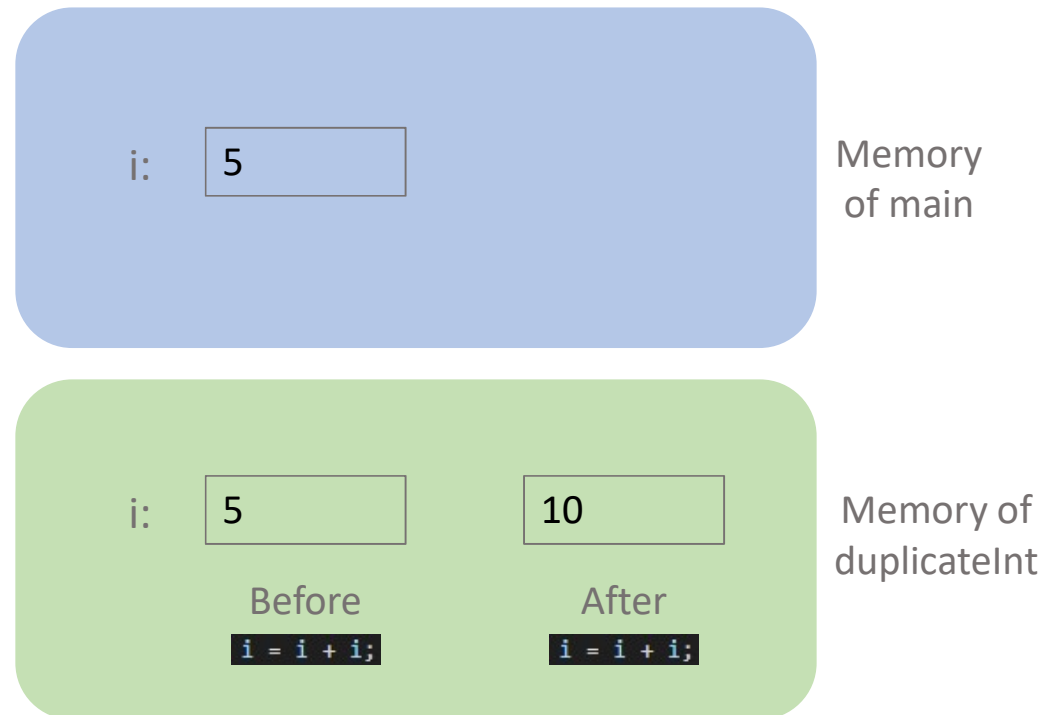
```
i is 5, s is hello
```



# What happens for duplicateInt in memory ?

```
void main(List<String> args) {  
    int i = 5;  
    String s = "hello";  
  
    duplicateInt(i);  
    duplicateString(s);  
  
    print ("i is $i, s is $s");  
}
```

```
void duplicateInt (int i) {  
    i = i + i;  
}
```

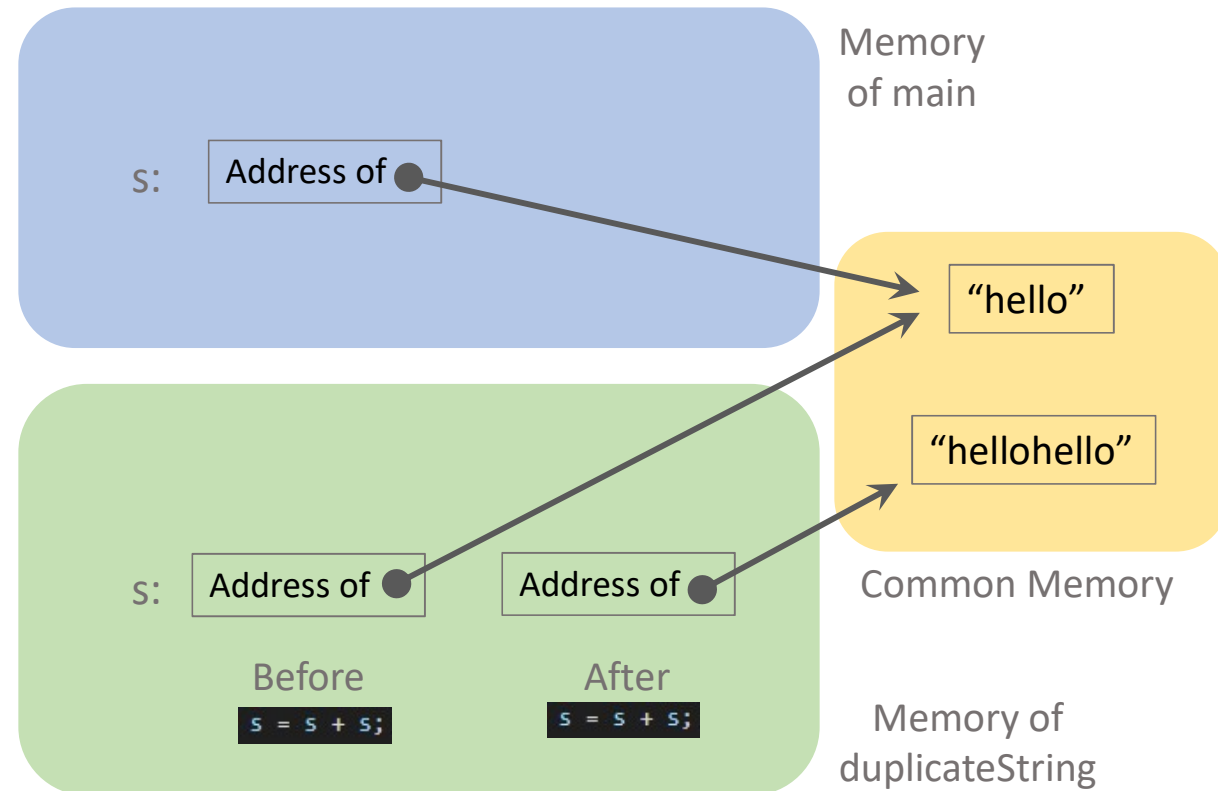




# What happens for duplicateString in memory ?

```
void main(List<String> args) {  
    int i = 5;  
    String s = "hello";  
  
    duplicateInt(i);  
    duplicateString(s);  
  
    print ("i is $i, s is $s");  
}
```

```
void duplicateString (String s) {  
    s = s + s;  
}
```





## Quiz

```
void main(List<String> args) {  
  var r = Rectangle(50, 20);  
  
  duplicateRectangle(r);  
  
  print("r.width is ${r.width}, " +  
        "r.height is ${r.height}");  
}  
  
class Rectangle {  
  int width;  
  int height;  
  Rectangle(this.width, this.height);  
}
```

```
void duplicateRectangle(r) {  
  r.width = r.width + r.width;  
  r.height = r.height + r.height;  
}
```

What is the output ?



# Solution

```
void main(List<String> args) {  
    var r = Rectangle(50, 20);  
  
    duplicateRectangle(r);  
  
    print("r.width is ${r.width}, " +  
        "r.height is ${r.height}");  
}  
  
class Rectangle {  
    int width;  
    int height;  
    Rectangle(this.width, this.height);  
}
```

```
r.width is 100,  
r.height is 40
```

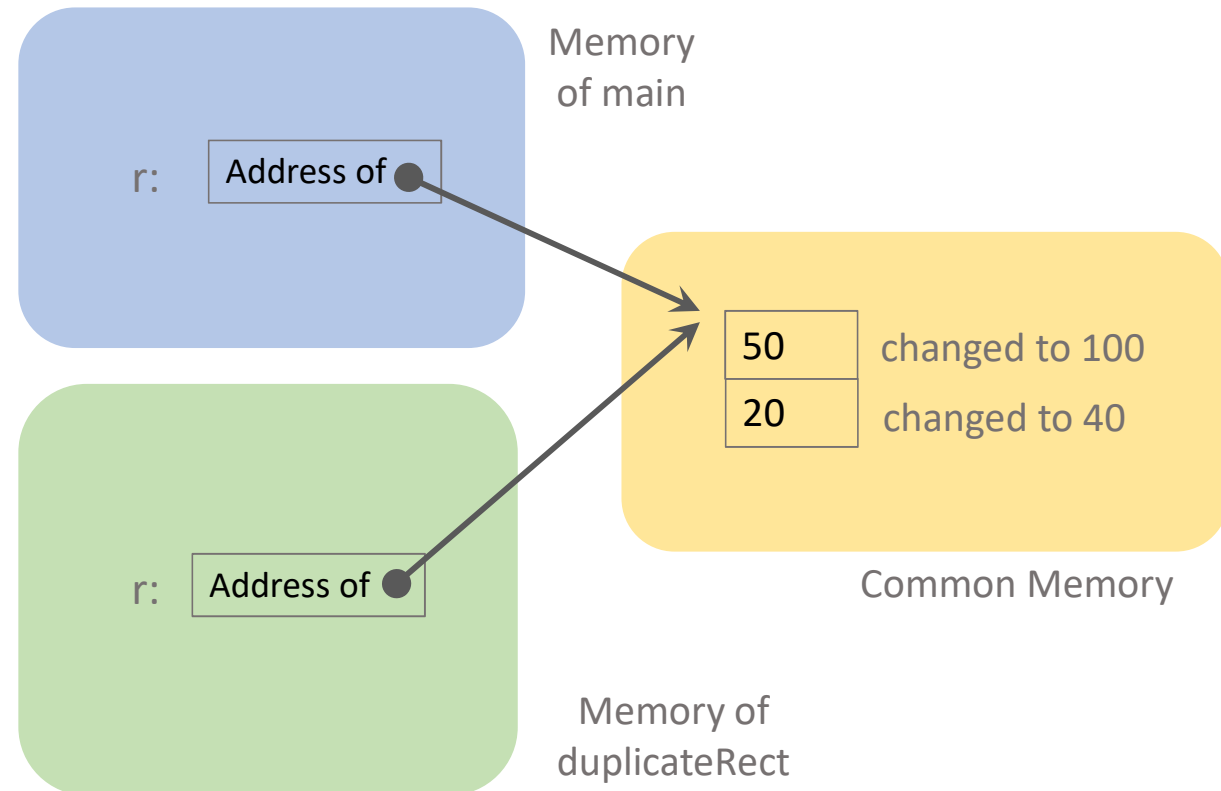
```
void duplicateRectangle(r) {  
    r.width = r.width + r.width;  
    r.height = r.height + r.height;  
}
```



# What happens for duplicateRectangle in memory ?

```
void main(List<String> args) {  
    var r = Rectangle(50, 20);  
  
    duplicateRectangle(r);  
  
    print("r.width is ${r.width}, " +  
        "r.height is ${r.height}");  
}  
  
class Rectangle {  
    int width;  
    int height;  
    Rectangle(this.width, this.height);  
}
```

```
void duplicateRectangle(r) {  
    r.width = r.width + r.width;  
    r.height = r.height + r.height;  
}
```







## Alternative: Work with return values

Instead of:

```
Run | Debug
void main(List<String> args) {
  int i = 5;
  String s = "hello";

  duplicateInt(i);
  duplicateString(s);

  print ("i is $i, s is $s");
}

void duplicateInt (int i) {
  i = i + i;
}

void duplicateString (String s) {
  s = s + s;
}
```

Now with return values:

```
Run | Debug
void main(List<String> args) {
  int i = 5;
  String s = "hello";

  i = duplicateInt(i);
  s = duplicateString(s);

  print ("i is $i, s is $s");
}

int duplicateInt (int i) {
  return i + i;
}

String duplicateString (String s) {
  return s + s;
}
```

i is 10, s is hellohello

But there are situations in flutter where you cannot work with the return value. We will see one in our next lesson “three-axis-transform and DRY principle”.



## Quiz

```
void main(List<String> args) {
    var bi = BoxedInt(5);
    var bs = BoxedString("hello");

    duplicateBoxedInt(bi);
    duplicateBoxedString(bs);

    print ("${bi.value}, ${bs.value}");
}

void duplicateBoxedInt (BoxedInt bi) {
    bi.value = bi.value + bi.value;
}

void duplicateBoxedString (BoxedString bs) {
    bs.value = bs.value + bs.value;
}
```

```
class BoxedInt {
    BoxedInt(this.value);
    int value;
}

class BoxedString {
    BoxedString(this.value);
    String value;
}
```

What is the output ?



# Solution

```
void main(List<String> args) {  
    var bi = BoxedInt(5);  
    var bs = BoxedString("hello");  
  
    duplicateBoxedInt(bi);  
    duplicateBoxedString(bs);  
  
    print ("${bi.value}, ${bs.value}");  
}  
  
void duplicateBoxedInt (BoxedInt bi) {  
    bi.value = bi.value + bi.value;  
}  
  
void duplicateBoxedString (BoxedString bs) {  
    bs.value = bs.value + bs.value;  
}
```

10, hellohello

```
class BoxedInt {  
    BoxedInt(this.value);  
    int value;  
}  
  
class BoxedString {  
    BoxedString(this.value);  
    String value;  
}
```



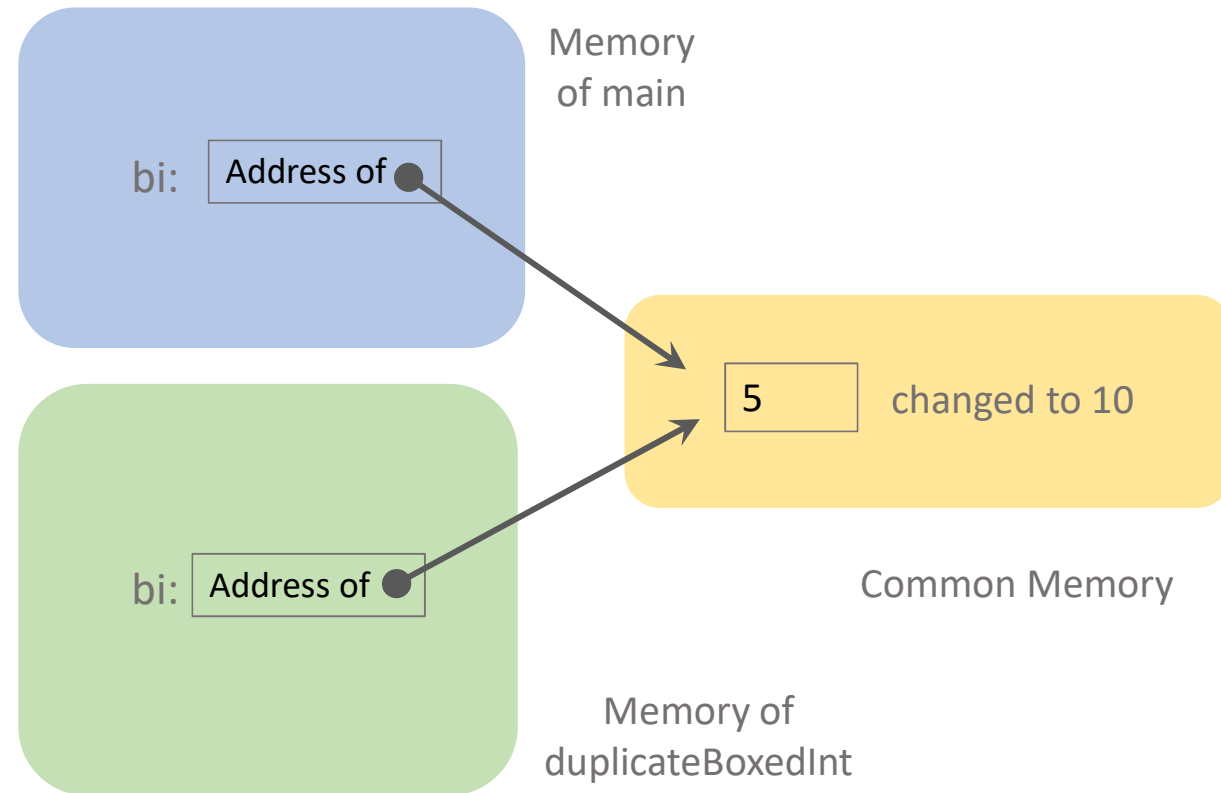
# What happens for duplicateBoxedInt in memory ?

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```
void main(List<String> args) {  
    var bi = BoxedInt(5);  
  
    duplicateBoxedInt(bi);  
  
    print (bi.value);  
}
```

```
class BoxedInt {  
    BoxedInt(this.value);  
    int value;  
}
```

```
void duplicateBoxedInt (BoxedInt bi) {  
    bi.value = bi.value + bi.value;  
}
```





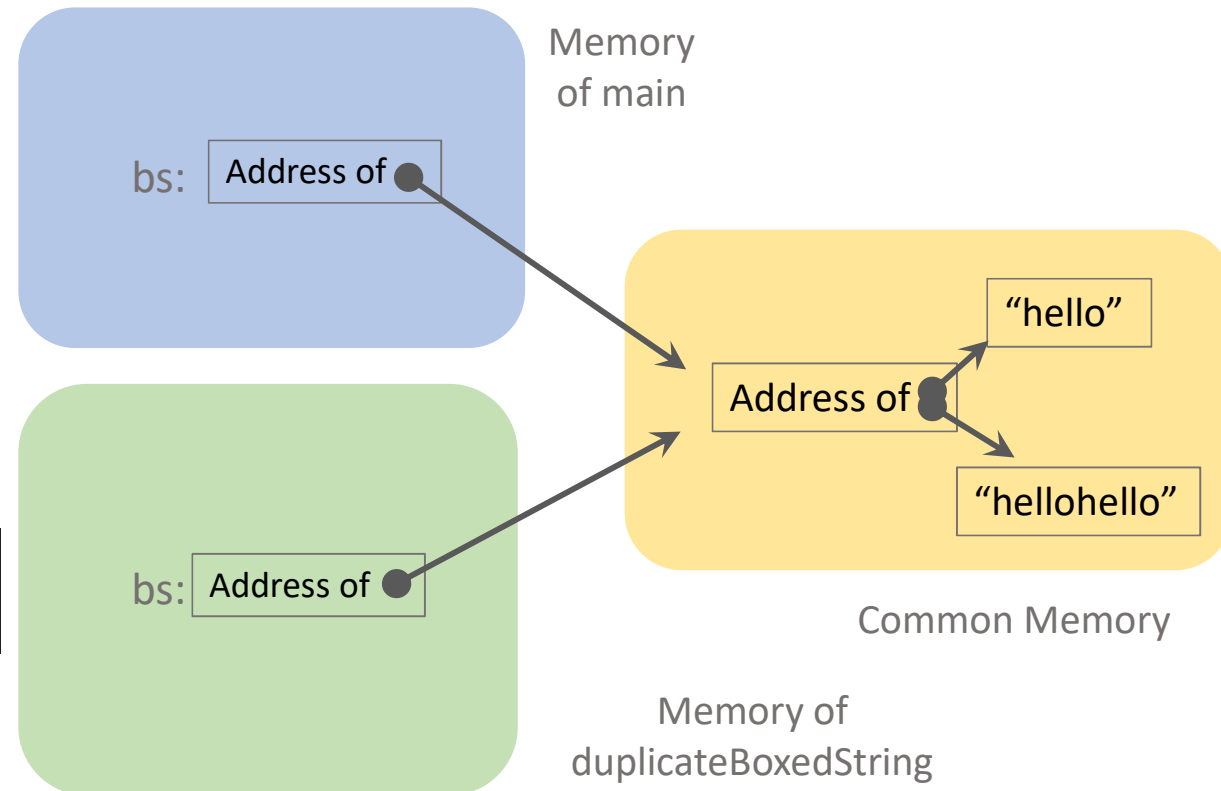
# What happens for duplicateBoxedString in memory ?

hellohello

```
void main(List<String> args) {  
  var bs = BoxedString("hello");  
  
  duplicateBoxedString(bs);  
  
  print (bs.value);  
}
```

```
class BoxedString {  
  BoxedString(this.value);  
  String value;  
}
```

```
void duplicateBoxedString (BoxedString bs) {  
  bs.value = bs.value + bs.value;  
}
```





# Pointers in C++

```
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UseIntPointers

#include <iostream>

void duplicateInt(int* p) {
    *p = *p + *p;
}

int main()
{
    int i = 5;
    duplicateInt(&i);
    std::cout << i;    // this prints 10
}
```

```
class BoxedInt {
    BoxedInt(this.value);
    int value;
}
```

```
void duplicateBoxedInt (BoxedInt bi) {
    bi.value = bi.value + bi.value;
}
```

```
void main(List<String> args) {
    var bi = BoxedInt(5);

    duplicateBoxedInt(bi);

    print (bi.value);
}
```



# Generic Type BoxedValue<T>

```
void main(List<String> args) {
    var bi = BoxedInt(5);
    var bs = BoxedString("hello");

    duplicateBoxedInt(bi);
    duplicateBoxedString(bs);

    print ("${bi.value}, ${bs.value}");
}

void duplicateBoxedInt (BoxedInt bi) {
    bi.value = bi.value + bi.value;
}

void duplicateBoxedString (BoxedString bs) {
    bs.value = bs.value + bs.value;
}

class BoxedInt {
    BoxedInt(this.value);
    int value;
}

class BoxedString {
    BoxedString(this.value);
    String value;
}
```

```
void main(List<String> args) {
    var bi = BoxedValue<int>(5);
    var bs = BoxedValue<String>("hello");

    duplicateBoxedInt(bi);
    duplicateBoxedString(bs);

    print ("${bi.value}, ${bs.value}");
}

void duplicateBoxedInt (BoxedValue<int> bi) {
    bi.value = bi.value + bi.value;
}

void duplicateBoxedString (BoxedValue<String> bs) {
    bs.value = bs.value + bs.value;
}
```

```
class BoxedValue<T> {
    BoxedValue(this.value);
    T value;
}
```



Reminder (copy from slide 33 in “07 Dart classes.pptx”):  
List as a sample of a generic type

We used already one in our first hello.dart:

```
void main(List<String> args) {  
  for (var arg in args) {  
    print(arg);  
  }  
}
```

Other samples:

```
void testList() {  
  List<int> intList = [1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13];  
  List<User> userList = [User.withFullName("Franz Maier")];  
  
  print("last in intList is ${intList.last}");  
  print("intList is $intList");  
  
  userList.add(PayingUser("Willi", "Zahn", "ibanWZ"));  
  for (var user in userList) {  
    print("$user");  
  }  
  userList.removeLast();  
}
```

```
last in intList is 13  
intList is [1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13]
```

```
User Franz Maier  
PayingUser Willi Zahn ibanWZ
```