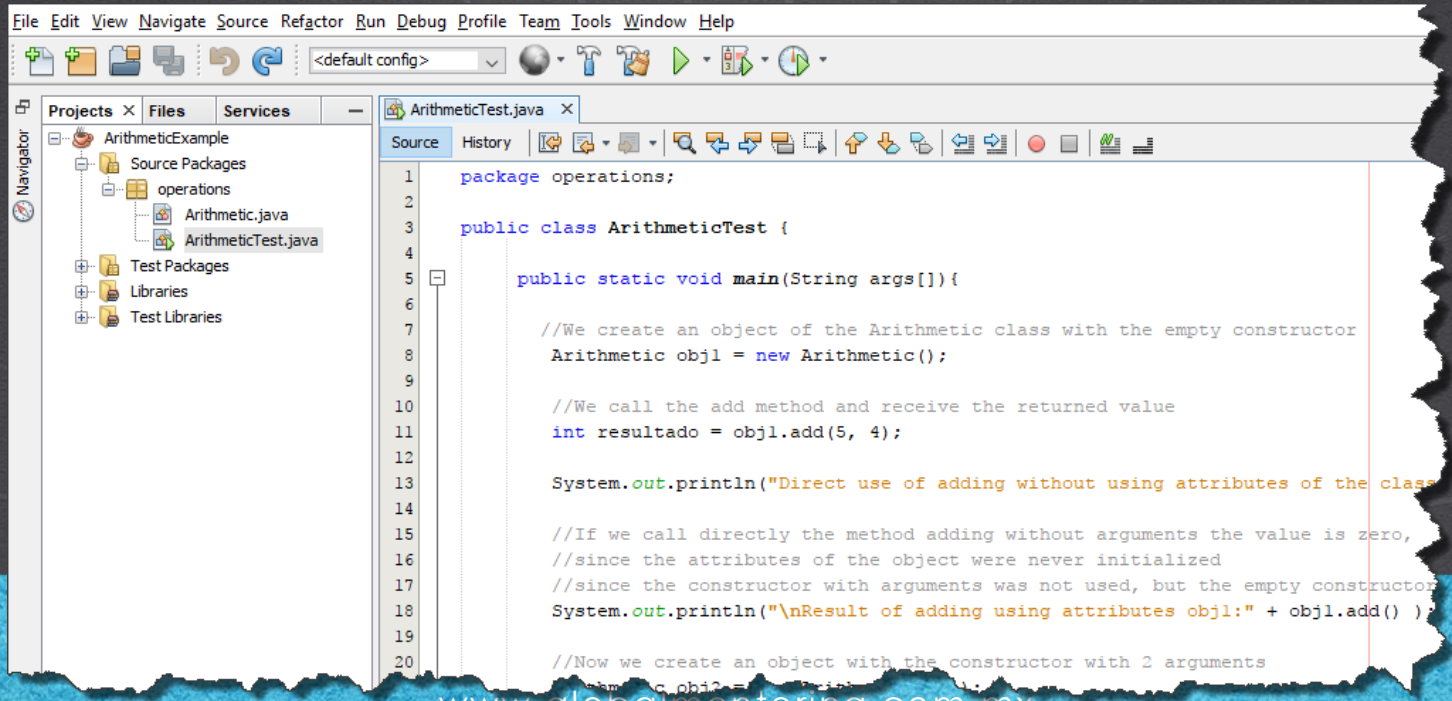
JAVA FUNDAMENTALS COURSE

EXERCISE

ARITHMETIC PROJECT WITH CONSTRUCTORS

EXERCISE OBJECTIVE

Create the Arithmetic exercise with constructors. At the end we should observe the following:



1. OPEN PROJECT

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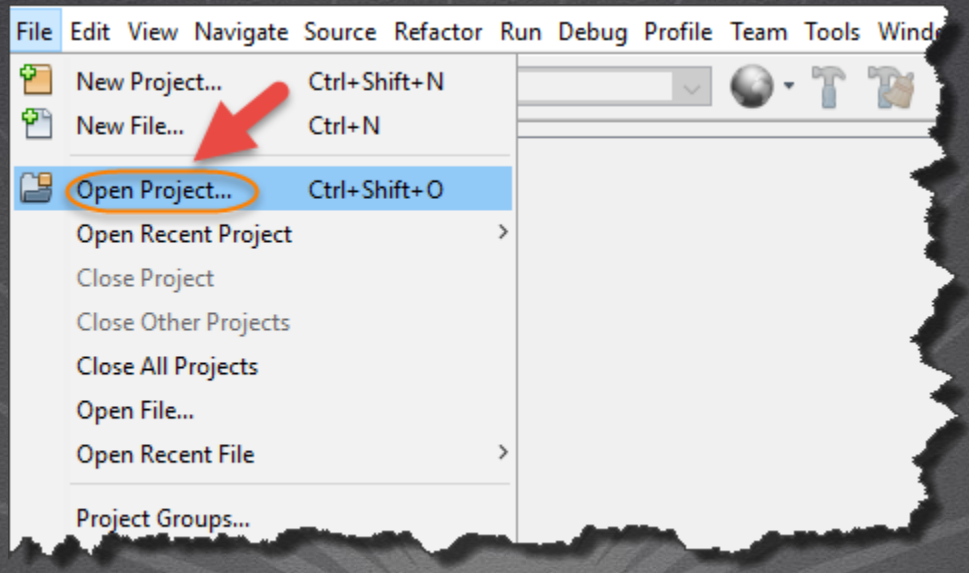

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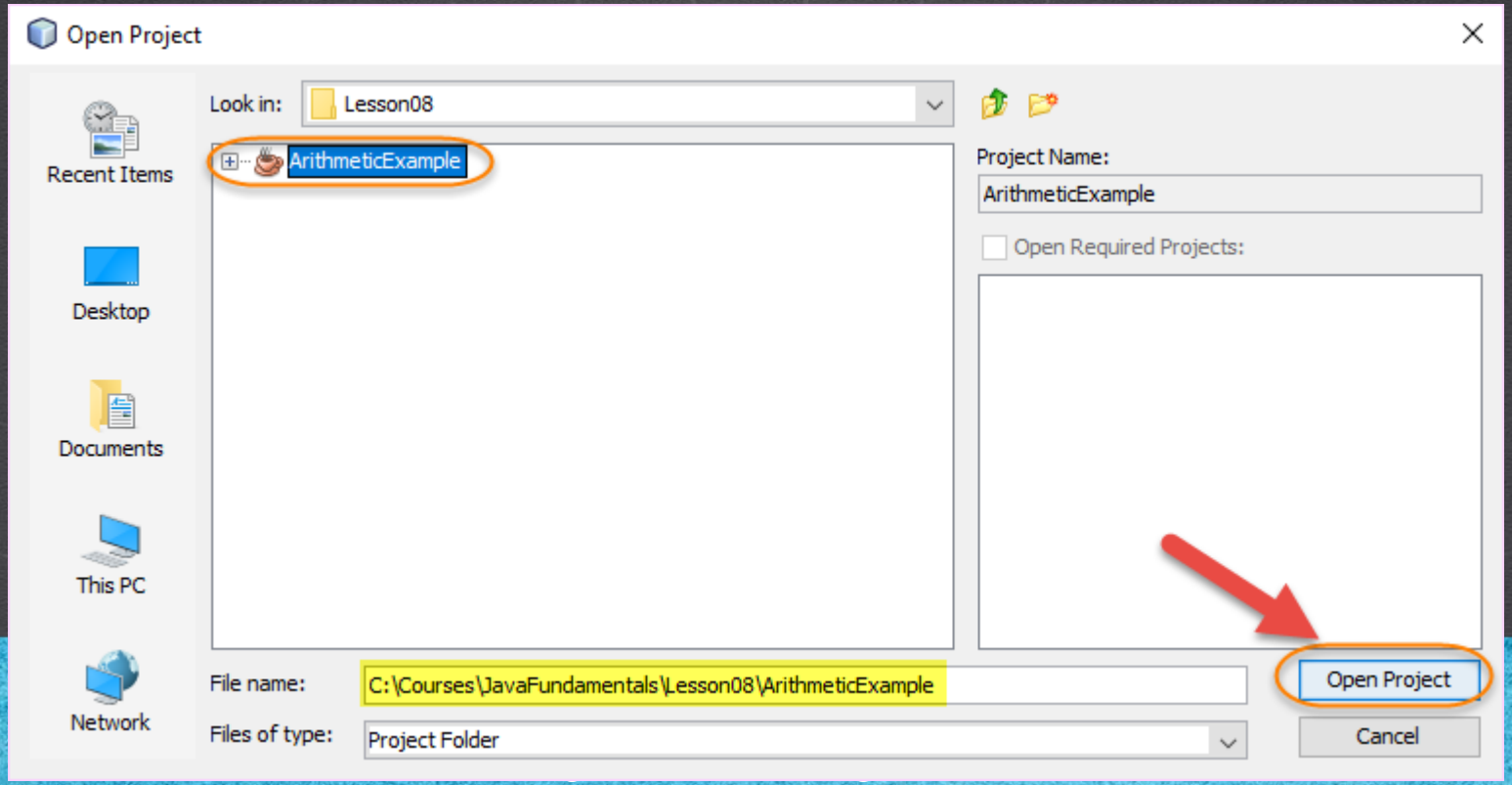
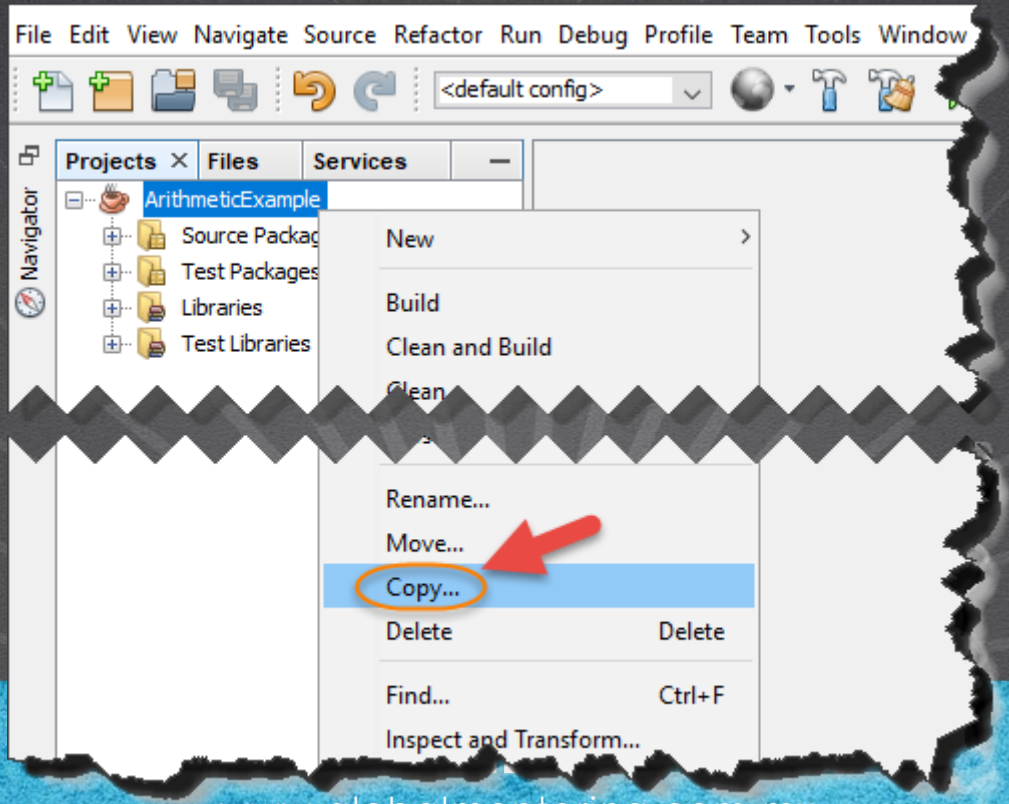


2. COPY PROJECT

Copy the project to a new location:



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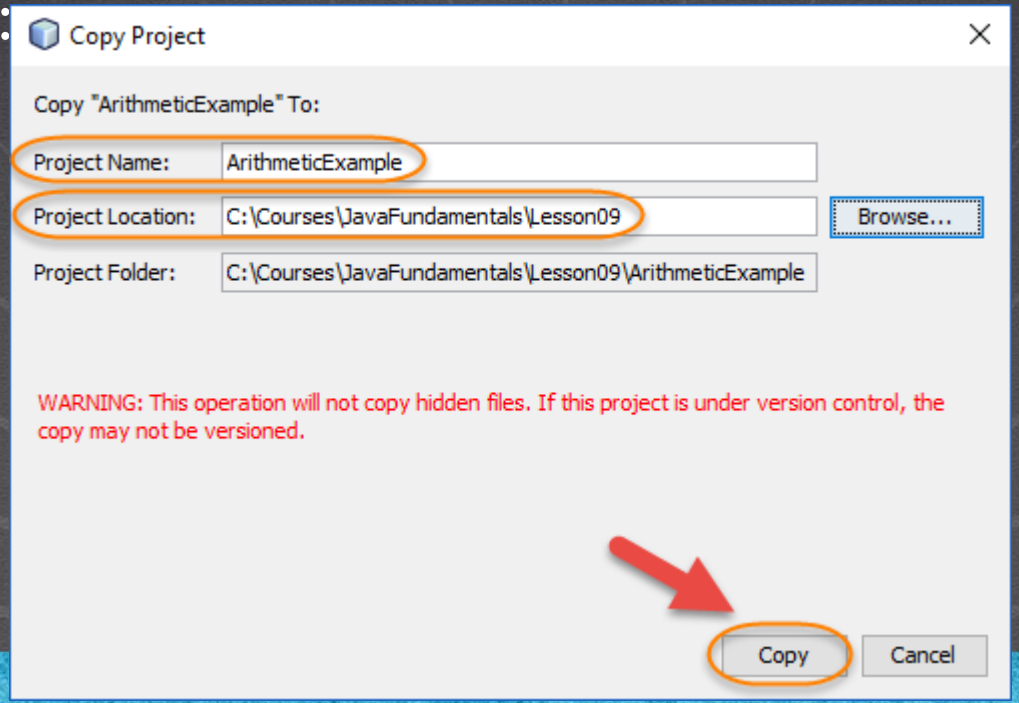

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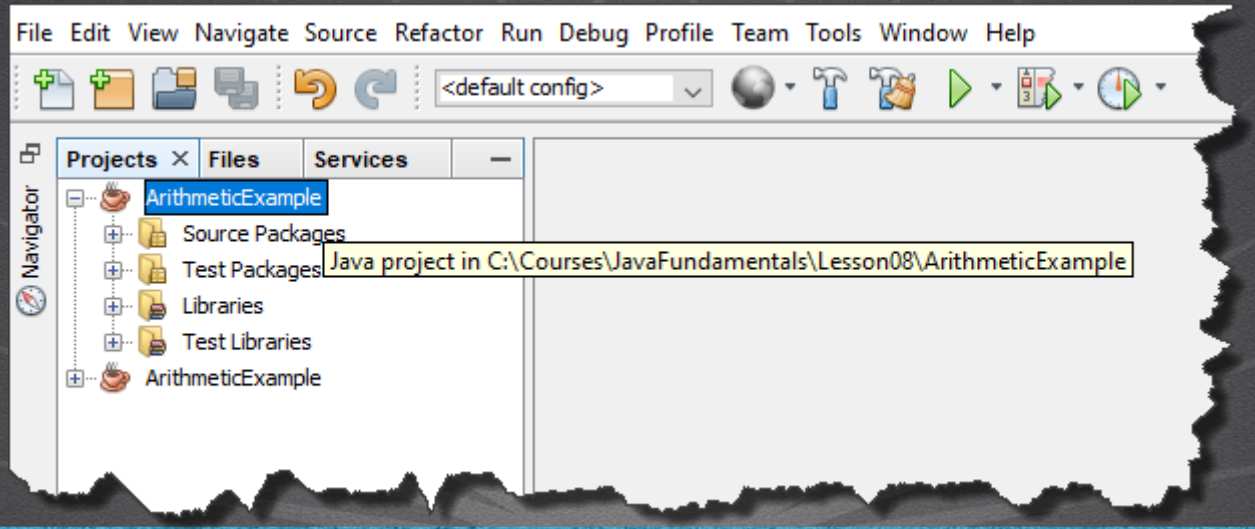
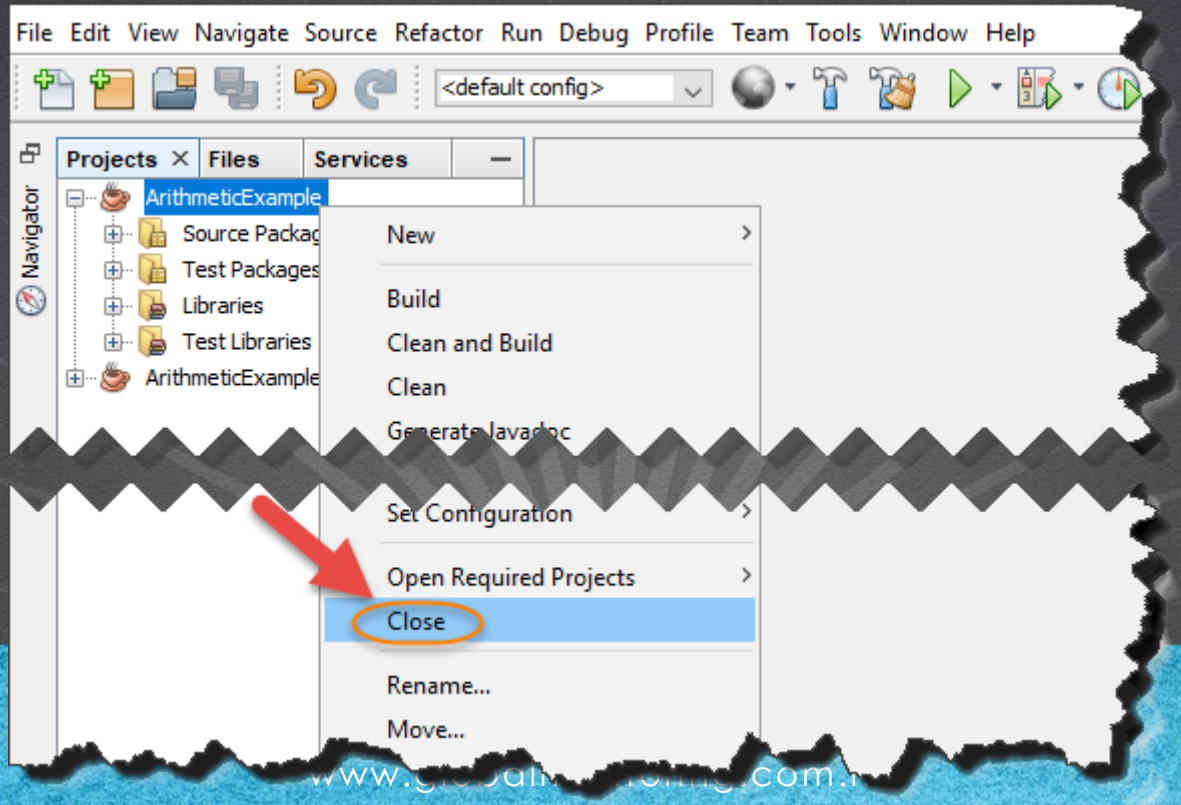


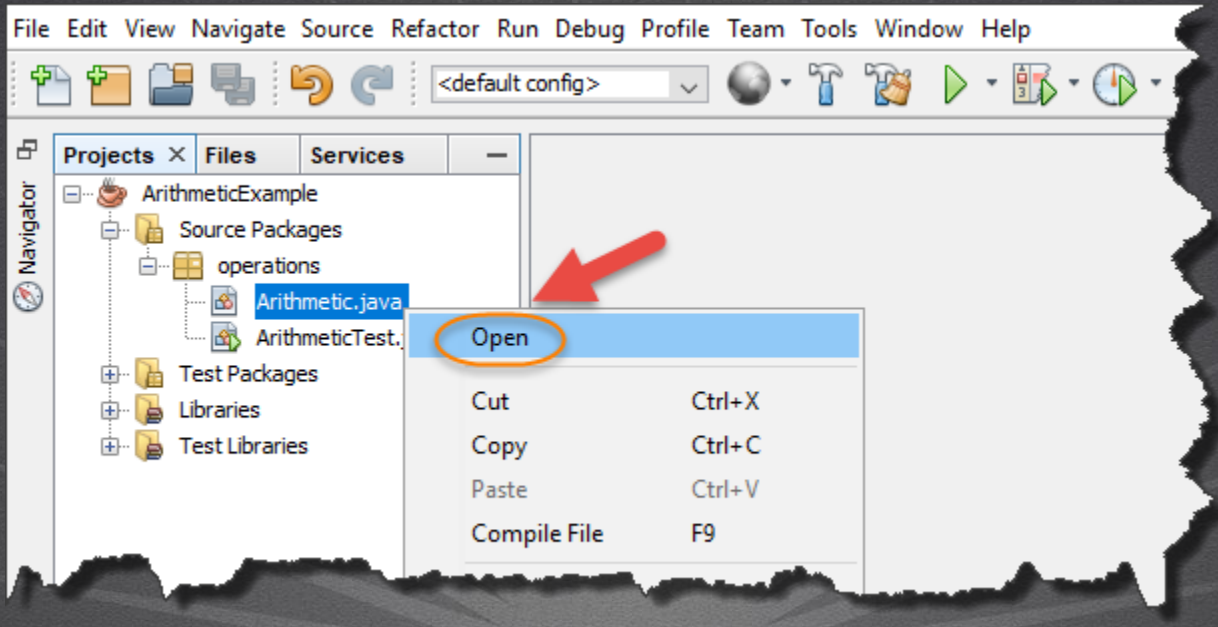
3. CLOSE THE PROJECT

We close the previous project and leave open the new one:



4. MODIFY A CLASS

Modify the Arithmetic class to add the Constructors as follow:



4. MODIFY THE CODE

Arithmetic.java:

```
package operations;

public class Arithmetic {

    //Class attributes
    int a;
    int b;

    //Empty Constructor
    //Remember that if we add a different constructor to the empty one
    //this constructor is not created anymore and we must create it if we need it
    Arithmetic() {
    }

    //Constructor with 2 arguments
    Arithmetic(int arg1, int arg2) {
        a = arg1;
        b = arg2;
    }
```

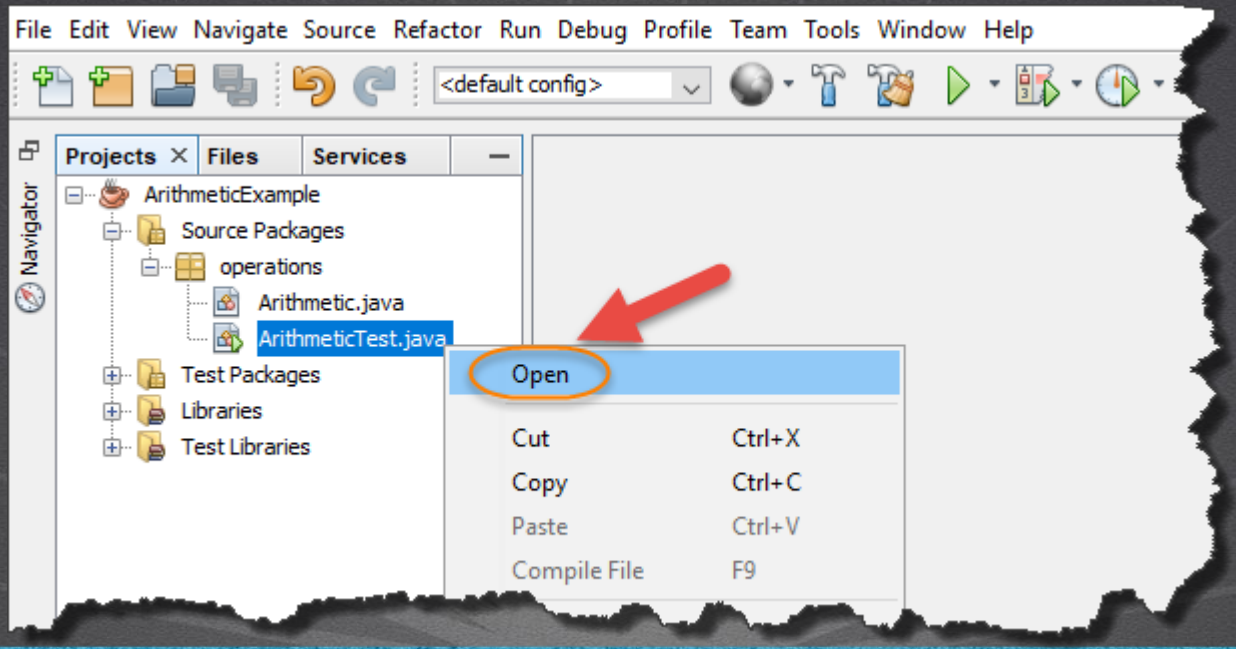
4. MODIFY THE CODE (CONT)

Arithmetic.java:

```
    //This method takes new values, not the attributes of the class
    int add(int a, int b) {
        return a + b;
    }

    //This method takes the attributes of the class to make the addition.
    //Adding more than one method with the same name is known as overloading
    //of methods, we will study later this topic.
    int add() {
        return a + b;
    }
}
```

5. MODIFY A CLASS

Modify the ArithmeticTest class to add more objects as follows:



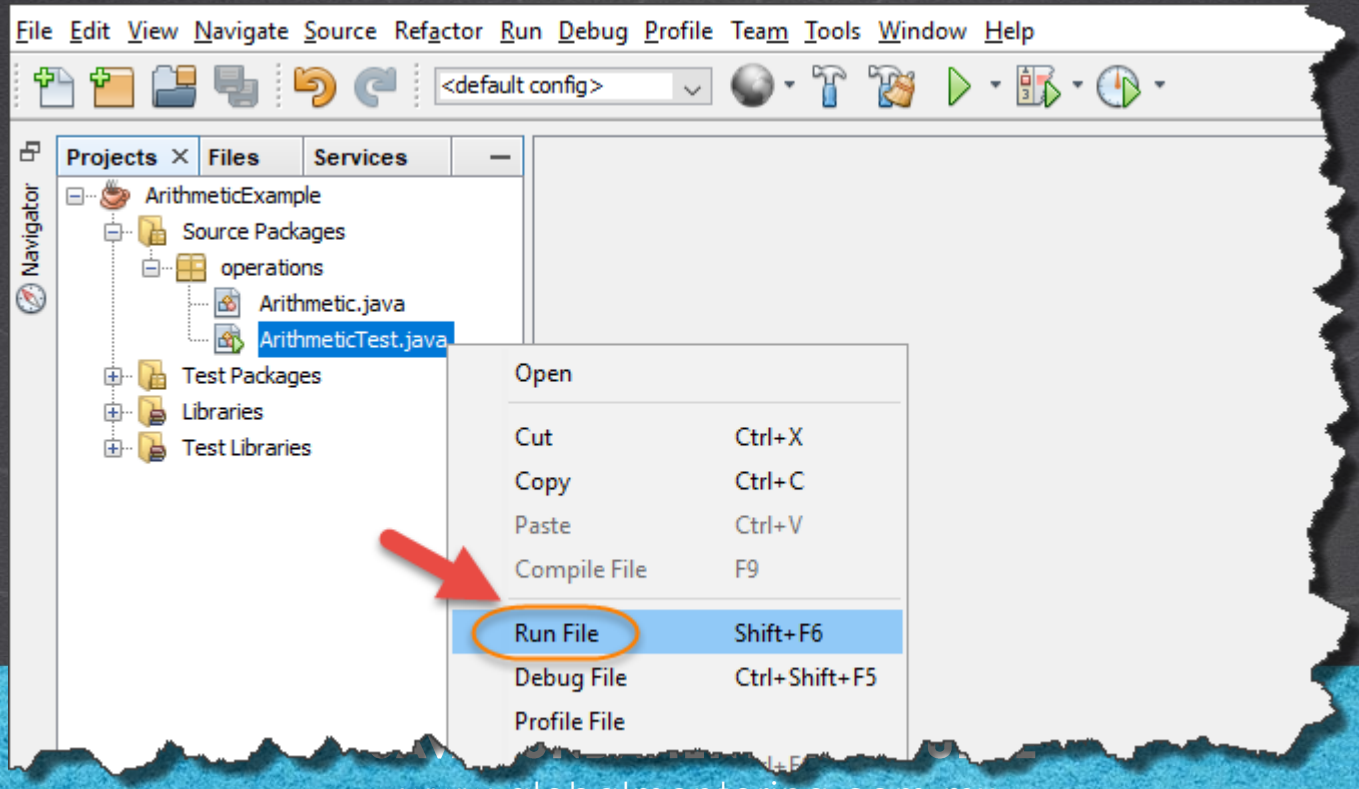
5. MODIFY THE CODE

ArithmeticTest.java:

```
package operations;

public class ArithmeticTest {

     public static void main(String args[]){

        //We create an object of the Arithmetic class with the empty constructor
        Arithmetic obj1 = new Arithmetic();

        //We call the add method and receive the returned value
        int resultado = obj1.add(5, 4);

        System.out.println("Direct use of adding without using attributes of the class. obj1:" + resultado);

        //If we call directly the method adding without arguments the value is zero,
        //since the attributes of the object were never initialized
        //since the constructor with arguments was not used, but the empty constructor
        System.out.println("\nResult of adding using attributes obj1:" + obj1.add() );

        //Now we create an object with the constructor with 2 arguments
        Arithmetic obj2 = new Arithmetic(2,1);

        //We print the result directly.
        //By directly calling the sum method, we return the value of the sum
        System.out.println("\nResult of adding using attributes obj2:" + obj2.add() );

    }
}
```

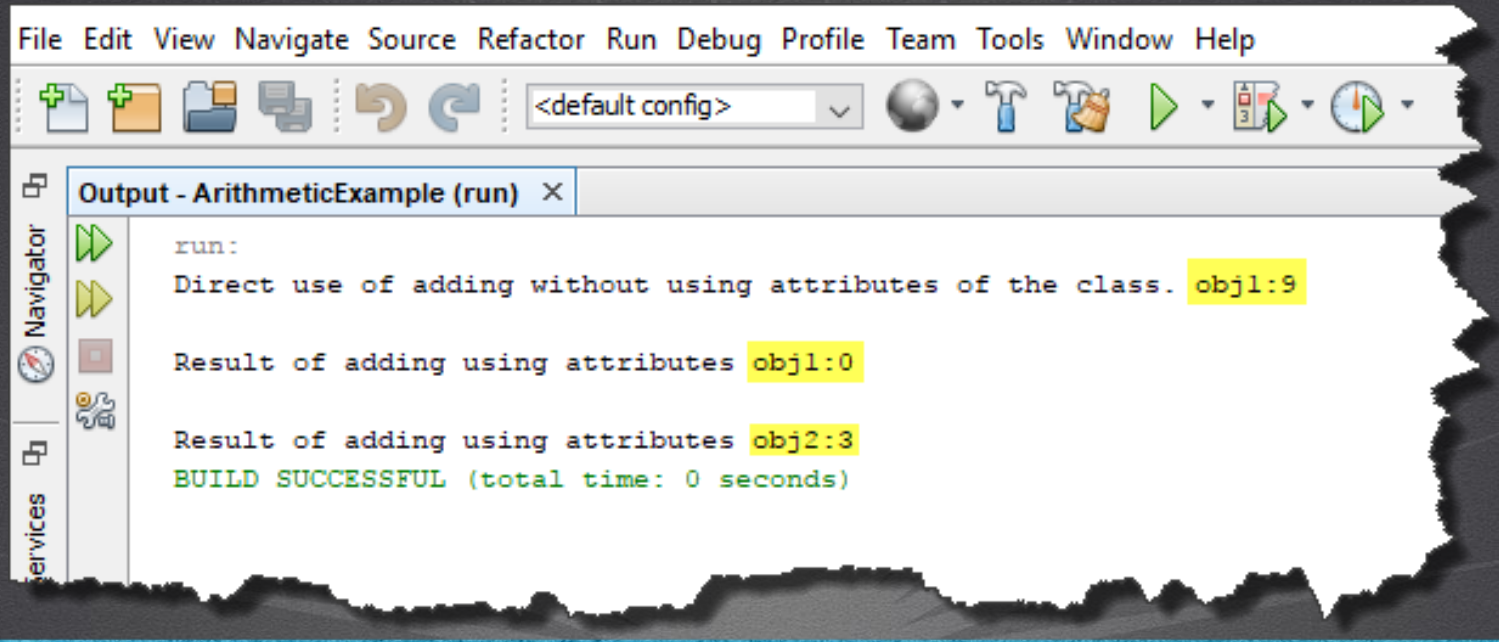
6. EXECUTE THE PROJECT

We run the project as show below:



6. EXECUTE THE PROJECT (CONT)

The result is as follows:



EXERCISE CONCLUSION

With this exercise we have implemented the use of constructors in Java.

Constructors allow us to create our objects with custom values from the moment of the creation of the object.

A Constructor is a type of method that can only be used when creating an object and must be called the same as the class.

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