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Programming Fundamentals: Java

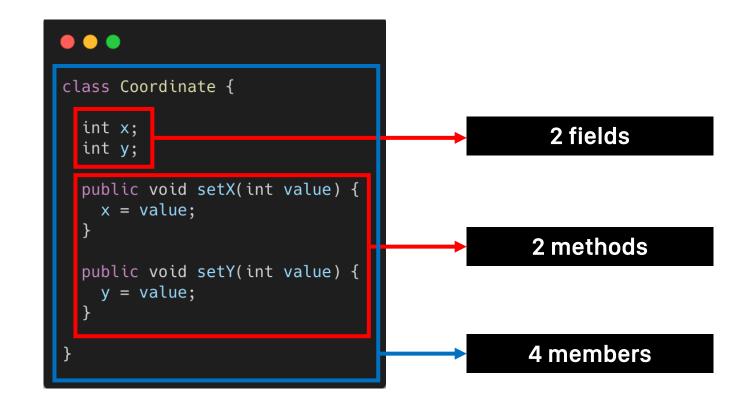
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Members

- A class contains members.
- There are 2 types of members.
 - Data member (fields)
 - Code (methods)



Comments

COMMENTS

- We can add text to our code that will be ignored by the computer.
- These are called <u>comments</u>.
- We use the following syntax to declare a comment: // COMMENT HERE
- We can use comments to make notes in English within our code.

```
class Main {
   public static void main(String args[]) {
     int x; // This is a comment.
   }
}
```

Inheritance

INHERITANCE

- A class can inherit another class.
- A class that inherits another class will contain the members of its parent class.
- We use the key word extends to inherit a class.

```
class One {
   int x;
   int y;
}
```

```
class Two extends One {
  int z;
}
```

- In this example, class Two extends class One.
- In other words, class Two inherits class One.
- Class Two inherits members from class One.
- Class One is the parent.
- Class Two is the child.
- Class One has 2 members.
- Class Two has 3 members (inherits 2 members from class One).

INHERITANCE: CREATING AN OBJECT

- We can create an object from a class that inherits another class.
- This is just like any other class.
- Notice how we can set the data members 'z' and 'x'. Class Two now contains x, y, and z.

```
class One {
   int x;
   int y;
}
```

```
class Two extends One {
  int z;
}
```

```
class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
      Two ref; // Declare variable named 'ref'.
      ref = new Two(); // Create new object from class Two.
      ref.z = 2; // We can see 'z' from class Two.
      ref.x = 2; // We can ALSO see 'x' from class One.
```

Inheritance: Extending Functionality

INHERITANCE: A PRACTICAL EXAMPLE (PART 1 OF 2)

- When can <u>inheritance</u> be useful in the context of programming?
- Imagine we have a class Math that contains two methods: add and subtract.

```
class Math {
  public void add(int x, int y) {
    System.out.println(x + y);
  }
  public void subtract(int x, int y) {
    System.out.println(x - y);
  }
}
```

INHERITANCE: A PRACTICAL EXAMPLE (PART 2 OF 2)

- What if we wanted to write a multiply method but don't have access to this source code
 of the class Math? Two options:
 - 1. Rewrite the Math class with 3 methods: add, subtract, multiply.
 - 2. Write a new class containing one method multiply that inherits the Math class.
- Option 2 is better because we don't repeat code that has already been written.
- The class NewMath now has add, subtract and multiply methods.

```
class Math {
  public void add(int x, int y) {
    System.out.println(x + y);
  }
  public void subtract(int x, int y) {
    System.out.println(x - y);
  }
}
```

```
class NewMath extends Math {
   public void multiply(int x, int y) {
      System.out.println(x * y);
   }
}
```

Inheritance: Overriding Functionality

INHERITANCE: A PRACTICAL EXAMPLE (PART 1 OF 3)

Imagine we have a class Math that contains two methods: add and subtract.

```
class Math {

public void add(int x, int y) {
   System.out.println(x + y);
 }

public void subtract(int x, int y) {
   System.out.println(x - y);
 }
}
```

INHERITANCE: A PRACTICAL EXAMPLE (PART 2 OF 3)

- What if we wanted to use the functionality of the Math class but wanted to re-write the add method? Two options again:
 - 1. Rewrite the Math class with the 2 methods: add and subtract.
 - 2. Write a new class containing one method add.
- Option 2 is better because we don't repeat code that has already been written.
- The class NewMath2 inherits class Math and contains one method: add.

```
class Math {
  public void add(int x, int y) {
    System.out.println(x + y);
  }
  public void subtract(int x, int y) {
    System.out.println(x - y);
  }
}
```

```
class NewMath2 extends Math {
   public void add(int x, int y) {
      System.out.println("The result is: " + x + y);
   }
}
```

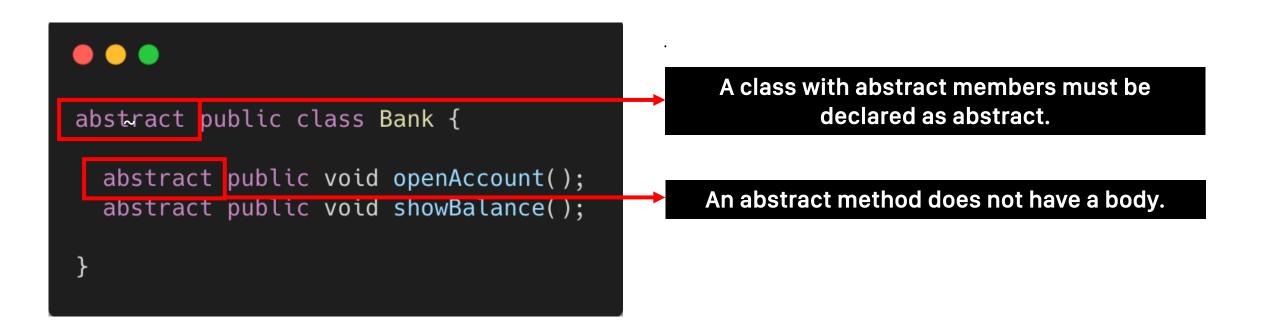
INHERITANCE: A PRACTICAL EXAMPLE (PART 3 OF 3)

- This is known as <u>overriding</u>.
- We are rewriting a method that exists in the <u>parent</u> class.
- When we create an object from class NewMath2 and call the add method, the overridden method is called instead of the one in the parent class.

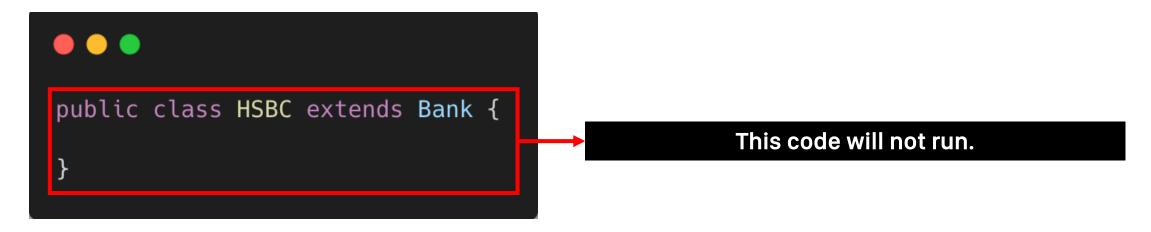
```
class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        // Declare variable for class NewMath2.
        NewMath2 ref;
        // Create an object from class NewMath2.
        ref = new NewMath2();
        // Call add method from ref.
        ref.add(2, 5);
        // Prints "The result is: 7"
```

Abstract Classes

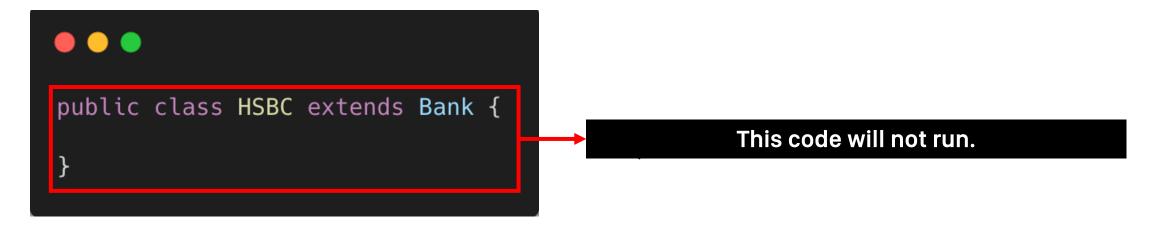
- The Bank of England (BoE) controls other banks.
- BoE will tell other banks what they need to do to operate as a bank in England.
- BoE will create an <u>abstract</u> class like below.



- So what's happening here?
- Bank of England has created an <u>abstract</u> class.
- We <u>CANNOT</u> create an object from an abstract class.
- We must inherit the abstract class and override all abstract members.
- Let's say we want to create a class HSBC.
- In order to be recognized by Bank of England as a "Bank", we must comply to the abstract class Bank defined by BoE.
- We do this by inheriting the Bank class defined by BoE.



Why does this code not run?



- Remember from the previous slide, when we inherit an abstract class, we must override all its abstract members.
- In this case, HSBC needs to override the following methods: openAccount and showBalance.

So let's override all abstract members from the inherited class Bank.

```
public class HSBC extends Bank {
                                                         public void openAccount() {
abstract public class Bank {
                                                           System.out.println("Opening an account");
 abstract public void openAccount();
  abstract public void showBalance();
                                                         public void showBalance() {
                                                           System.out.println("Showing balance");
                                         Inherited by
```

- The class HSBC is now valid. We have <u>overridden</u> and defined all abstract members from its parent class.
- A class that can be instantiated is called a concrete class. HSBC is concrete.

Final

- Classes may also have <u>final</u> members.
- A final member means that it cannot be overridden.
- In the example below, the method boom cannot be overridden by any class that extends the class Barclays.

```
public class Barclays {
  final public void boom() {
    System.out.println("Hello");
  }
}
```

- We can also have final members in abstract classes.
- The method showBalance cannot be overridden by any class that extends the class Bank.

```
abstract public class Bank {
 abstract public void openAccount();
  final public void showBalance() {
    System.out.println("Showing balance.");
```

This is not valid as showBalance is a final method and cannot be overridden.

```
abstract public class Bank {
  abstract public void openAccount();
  final public void showBalance() {
    System.out.println("Showing balance.");
  }
  lnherited by
}

Inherited by

public class HSBC extends Bank {
  public void openAccount() {
    System.out.println("Opening an account");
  }
  public void showBalance() {
    System.out.println("Showing balance");
  }
}
```

- We can also declare a whole class as final.
- A class that is declared as <u>final</u> cannot be inherited, so cannot be extended or overridden.
- We can only use a final class.

```
final public class Barclays {
  public void boom() {
    System.out.println("Hello");
  }
}
```

Constructors

Imagine we have a class Coordinate that stores an x and y value.

```
public class Coordinate {
    int x;
    int y;
```

Remember how to create an object from a class?

```
public class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {

        // Create variable and store object from class Coordinate.
        Coordinate coordinate = new Coordinate();
    }
}
```

- Notice the pair of brackets?
- This means we can pass some data into the brackets.
- In other words, we can pass some data to the Coordinate class when a new Coordinate object is created.

```
public class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {

        // Create variable and store object from class Coordinate.
        Coordinate coordinate = new Coordinate();
    }
}
```

- Let's say we want to create a **Coordinate** object with the x and y values of 2 and 5 respectively.
- We can pass 2 and 5 in the brackets when we create a new Coordinate object.

```
public class Main {
   public static void main(String args[]) {

    // Create variable and store object from class Coordinate.
    Coordinate coordinate = new Coordinate(2, 5);
}
```

- How does the Coordinate class know what to do with the values passed in the brackets?
- We need to create a constructor.
- A constructor is a special method that exists in a class.
- The constructor method is called when you create a new object from that class.
- The example below shows an example of a constructor.

```
public class Coordinate {
   int x;
   int y;
}
```

```
public class Coordinate {
    int x;
    int y;
    public Coordinate(int a, int b) {
        x = a;
```

- A constructor omits the <u>void</u> notation and has the same name as the containing class.
- In this case, the constructor has a name of Coordinate.
- We want the users to pass two integers when they create a new Coordinate object, so
 we declare int a and int b as parameters to the constructor.

public class Coordinate { We can write any code in We declare two input the constructor. In this int x; parameters. This means int y; case, we want to set the that when anyone creates data members of the public Coordinate(int a, int b) an object from class Coordinate object, so we x = a; Coordinate, they must pass assign local variable a to two integers into the data member x and local brackets as seen earlier. variable b to data member у.

- This code now works!
- When the Coordinate object is created, the constructor method is called within the Coordinate class.
- We have created a Coordinate object with the values of 2 and 5.

```
public class Main {
   public static void main(String args[]) {

    // Create variable and store object from class Coordinate.
    Coordinate coordinate = new Coordinate(2, 5);
}
```

Default Constructors

DEFAULT CONSTRUCTORS

- If no constructor method is defined within a class, when we create an object of the class, a <u>default constructor</u> will be called instead.
- This default constructor is hidden.
- The default constructor would look like the method as seen on the right.
- It does nothing.

```
public class Coordinate {
   int x;
   int y;
}
```

```
public class Coordinate {
   int x;
   int y;
   public Coordinate() {
   }
}
```

DEFAULT CONSTRUCTORS

- This means that a constructor method is ALWAYS called when you create a new object.
- This could be:
 - Default constructor
 - Custom defined constructor

Constructor Overloading

CONSTRUCTOR OVERLOADING

- It is possible to have more than one constructor in a class, provided they all have different signatures (different number of parameters or different types).
- For example:

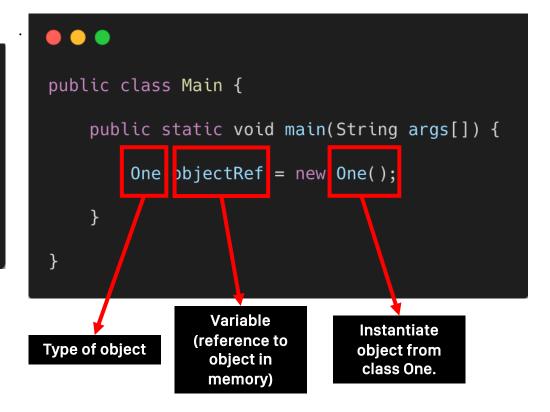
```
public class Coordinate {
public class Main {
                                                                                             int x;
                                                                                             int y;
    public static void main(String args[]) {
                                                                                             public Coordinate() {
         Coordinate coordinate1 = new Coordinate();
                                                                                             public Coordinate(int a) {
         Coordinate coordinate2 = new Coordinate(42);-
                                                                                                x = a;
         Coordinate coordinate3 = new Coordinate(34, 43); —
                                                                                             public Coordiante(int a, int b) {
                                                                                                y = b;
         Coordinate coordinate4 = new Coordinate("59");__
                                                                                             public Coordinate(string a) {
                                                                                                x = Integer.parseInt(a);
```

Polymorphism

- Recall this example from earlier on.
- We can create an instance (object) from class One.

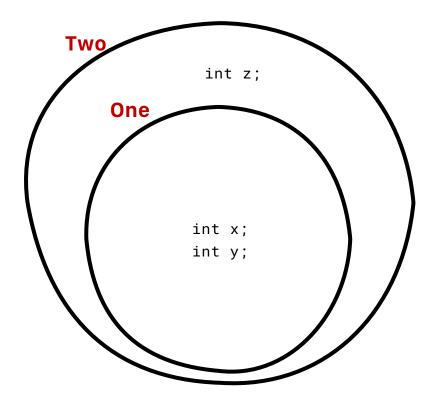
```
class One {
   int x;
   int y;
}
```

```
class Two extends One {
  int z;
}
```



- Remember that class Two is a child of class One (class Two inherits class One).
- This means that an object of class Two IS-A object of class One.
- This is because an object of class Two can do everything an object of class One can.
- Here's a visual representation.

```
class One {
  int x;
  int y;
}
class Two extends One {
  int z;
  int z;
}
```



- So if an object of class Two is also an object of class One.
- We say that Two IS-A One.
- We can do the following:

```
class One {
  int x;
  int y;
}
class Two extends One {
  int z;
  int z;
}
```

```
public class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        One objectRef = new Two();
          The type of
                                 Instantiate
           reference
                                 object from
          variable is
                                  class Two.
            One,.
```

 Because we've declared the variable objectRef as an object of type One, we can only access the members from class One.

```
public class Main {
   public static void main(String args[]) {
        One objectRef = new Two();
        objectRef.x = 2; // Valid.
        objectRef.y = 3; // Valid.
        objectRef.z = 4; // INVALID.
```

- So what is Polymorphism?
- Polymorphism is the ability for an object to take many forms.
- In this case, the object of type Two is also an object of type One.

```
class One {
  int x;
  int y;
}
class Two extends One {
  int z;
  int z;
}
```

