

LESSON IV. Encapsulation and Class Building

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Objectives

- Understand the application of object oriented principles in Java
- Acquaint how to declare a class and its members

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Content

- Data abstraction
 - Overview
 - Class and instance
 - Message passing
- Encapsulation
 - Visibility
- Class building
 - Declaration
 - Class declaration
 - Class member declaration
 - Data hiding

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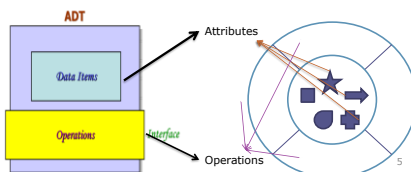
Abstraction

- Abstraction hides the detailed information about object.
- Abstraction is a view or representation of an object that includes only the most significant attributes
 - These attributes make distinction this object with others.

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Abstract data type

- Abstract data type = data type + operation performed on this type
 - Every operation related to a data structure is grouped together
 - Only possible operation are provided in the type's definition
- Java allows implementing ADT in the form of classes.
- A class comprises of attributes and operations.



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2. Class

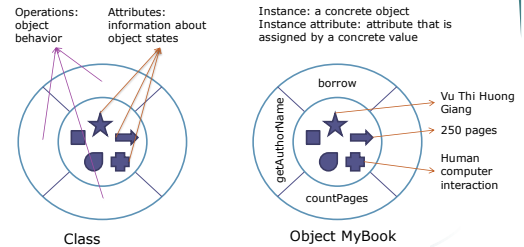
- A class is the blueprint from which individual objects are created.
- A class specifies the common attributes and operations of many individual objects all of the same kind.
- A class defines a new data type, whose values are objects:
 - A class is a template for objects; it abstracts a set of objects
 - An object is an instance of a class; it concretes a class.

Attributes and operations

- **Attribute**
 - An attribute of a class is an identified common state of all instances of this class (i.e. set of concrete objects).
 - An attribute specifies all possible values that can be assigned as concrete state of these of objects.
 - Each object maintains a private copy of each attribute value
- **Operation**
 - An operation of a class is an identified common behavior of all instances of this class (i.e. set of concrete objects). The behavior operates on the class attributes and usually derives the change of a class' state.

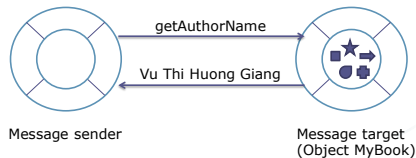
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Example: Class and instance



3. Message passing

- Message passing is the only way to interact with objects
 - Objects communicate by sending messages
 - Objects respond to a message that is sent to them by performing some action.



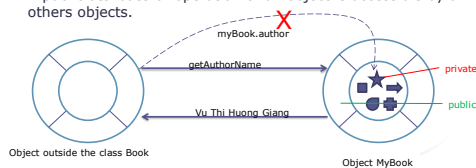
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II. Encapsulation

- Encapsulation: Prevents the code and data being randomly accessed by other code defined outside the class.
 - Group data and operations performed on these data together in a class
 - Hide details about the class implementation from the user.

Visibility scope

- Scope determines the visibility of program elements with respect to other program elements.
- Given a class:
 - A private attribute or operation of an object is accessible by all others objects of the same class
 - A public attribute or operation of an object is accessible by all others objects.



If an attribute or operation is declared private, it cannot be accessed by anyone outside the class

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III. CLASS BUILDING

1. Declaration
2. Data hiding

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a. Class declaration

III. Class building
1. Declaration

```
[package package-name;]
[access-modifier] class class-name {
    // class body
    access-modifier type instance-variable-1; ...
    static type class-variable-2; ...
    type method-name-1(parameter-list) {...} ...
}
```

- A class encapsulates following members:
 - Name
 - Variables: declare the attributes of a class
 - Methods: declare the operations of class
- Related classes can be grouped into a package to easily control the access to these classes.
- The visibility scope of a class can be explicitly set by declaring an access modifier.

Access modifier: Class' and members' visibility scope

III. Class building
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a. Class declaration

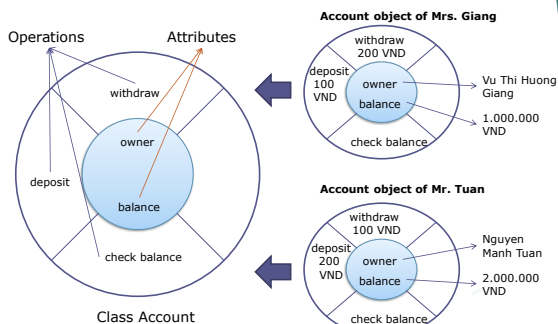
- Four visibility scopes are identified in term of access modifiers to limit the access to the attribute and the operation:
 - public: visible to the world (free access)
 - private: visible to the class only (class access)
 - protected: visible to the package and subclasses (only with an inheritance relationship)
 - default (no modifier declared): visible to the package (package access)

Example:

```
package acu.java.example;
class Account {
    ...
}
```

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Example: Class and Object



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b. Variable declaration

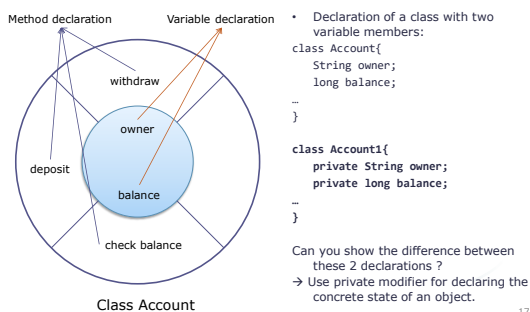
III. Class building
1. Declaration
a. Class declaration

- Variables must be declared within a class
 - Instance variables (member variables): declared within a class + outside any method
 - Class variables: declared within a class, outside any method, with the static keyword
 - Local variables: declared inside methods, constructors or statement blocks (invisible outside them)

```
class class-name {
    [access-modifier] type instance-variable-1; ...
    static datatype class-variable-1; ...
    datatype method-name-1(parameter-list) {
        datatype local-variable-1;
    } ...
}
```

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Example: Class and variables



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Variable creation

```
datatype var1 = new datatype();
```

- A variable `var1` is declared to refer to the object of class `datatype`.

```
Account1 acct1;
// acct1 represents nothing
```

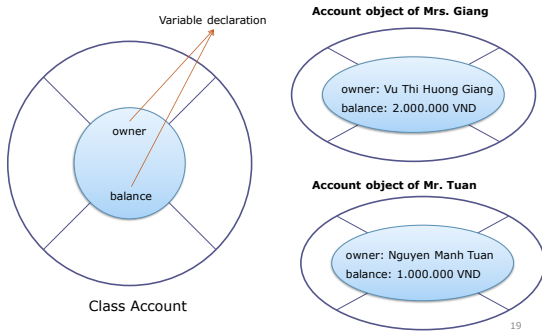
- After the assignment, the reference variable `var1` contains the address of a concrete `datatype` object that was created in memory.

```
acct1 = new Account1();
// acct1 refers to an Account1 object
```



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Example: instance variable creation



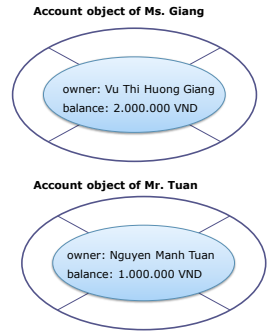
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Example: instance variable creation

• New Account objects are created and new values are assigned to their 2 variables:

```
Account acc1 = new Account();
acc1.name = "Vu Thi Huong Giang";
acc1.balance = "2000000";
Account acc2 = new Account();
acc2.name = "Nguyen Manh Tuan";
acc2.balance = "1000000";
```

- each object has its own data space
- changing the value of a variable in one object doesn't change it for other



Class (static) variables

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1. Declaration
a. Class declaration
b. Variable declaration

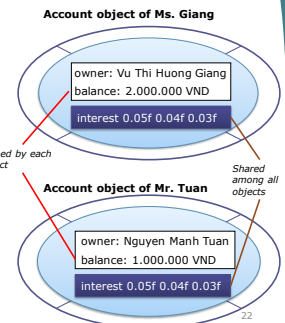
- Class variable: declared with the **static** keyword
- Memory space for a class variable is created when the class is first referenced
- It holds the same value for all objects instantiated from this class → changing the value of a static variable in one object changes it for all others
- Declaration format:
[access-modifier] static data-type member-variable-name;
- Reference format:
class-name.member-variable-name;
object-name.member-variable-name;

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Static variable

```
class Account {
    // Member variable
    String name; // Account name
    long balance; // Balance
    static float interest; // Deposit rate
}
class AccountClassUsage {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Account.interest=0.05f;
        Account giang = new Account();
        Account tuan = new Account();
        giang.interest=0.04f;
        tuan.interest=0.03f;
    }
}
```

- Static variable cannot be used within a non-static method.



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c. Method declaration

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- A Java method has two parts:
 - Declaration:
 - Specifies the name of the method, its return type and its formal parameters (if any)
 - Is used to hide the internal data structures of a class, as well as for their own internal use.
 - Implementation:
 - Specifies a collection of statements that are grouped together to perform an operation.
 - These statements are executed when a method is called.
 - It is through the implementation of the method that the state of an object is changed or accessed.

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c. Method declaration

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- Syntax
[access-modifier] return-type name(parameter-list) {
 // body
 [return return-value;]
}
- where:
 - return-type: type of values returned by the method (void if a method does not return any value)
 - name: name of the method
 - parameter-list: sequence of type-identifier lists separated by commas
 - return-value: what value is returned by the method.

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Signature

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c. **Method declaration**

- The signature of a method consists of
 - The method's name
 - A list of parameter types, in which the number and the order of parameters are respected.
- Example: the signature of the following method is **deposit(long)**

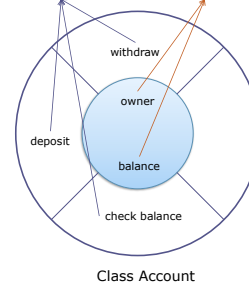
```
public void deposit(long amount) {
    //body
}
```

Signature
Method name
Parameter type

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Example: Method declaration and implementation

Method declaration Variable declaration



- The type of a variable assigned the value returned by a method must agree with the return type of this method:

```
class Account1 {
    private String name;
    private long balance;
    // deposit money
    public void deposit(long money) {
        balance += money;
    }
    // Check the account balance
    public long checkBalance() {
        return balance;
    }
}
```

- Member variables can be used anywhere inside the class.

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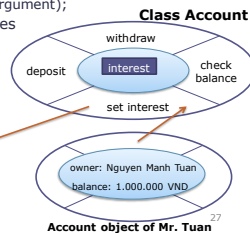
Static method

static return-type name(parameter-list) { ... }

- Several restrictions:
 - can only call static methods
 - Class name.method_name(argument);
 - Object name.method_name(argument);
 - must only access static variables

```
class Account {
    // Member variable
    ...
    static float interest; // Deposit rate
    public static void setInterest(float pInterest) {
        interest = pInterest;
    }
}

Account.setInterest(0.05f);
Account tuan = new Account();
tuan.setInterest(0.04f);
```



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Method with a variable-length argument

- Declaring a variable-length parameter allows passing many values of the same data type.
 - No explicit number and order of arguments is declared
 - You may not pass the value to a variable-length argument.
- The passed arguments are treated as an array.
- Syntax:

```
modifier return-type method-name
(data-type variable-length-parameter) {
    // body
    return return-value;
}
```

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Example

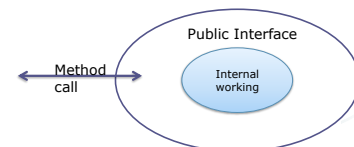
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public class VariableLengthArgumentUsage {
    public static double average( double... numbers ) {
        double total = 0.0;
        for ( double d : numbers )
            total += d;
        return total / numbers.length;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        double d[] = {10.0, 20.0, 30.0, 40.0, 50.0};
        System.out.printf("Mean value of this array is");
        System.out.printf(" %.1f\n", average(d[0], d[1], d[2], d[3], d[4]));
    }
}
```

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2. Data hiding

III. Class building
1. Declaration

- A class provides data hiding
 - Data is in a unique scope; access controlled with public, private, protected keywords
 - Data is accessed through public methods; a collection of the signatures of public methods of a class is called interface.
- Avoid illegal modification of attributes



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Quiz 1 – variable and method declaration

- Declare the class Media describing media products such as book, that has following attributes and operations
 - Title
 - Category
 - Price
 - Show the title, price, category of a media product
 - Set a title, price, category for a media product

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Quiz 1 – solution

```
public class Media {
    private String title;
    private String category;
    private float cost;
    public String getTitle() {
        return title;
    }
    public String getCategory() {
        return category;
    }
    public float getCost() {
        return cost;
    }

    public void setCategory(
        String category) {
        this.category = category;
    }
    public void setCost(
        float cost) {
        this.cost = cost;
    }
    public void setTitle(
        String title) {
        this.title = title;
    }
}
```

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Quiz – static variable and static method

- In the class Media:
 - Declare the product distributor as a static variable
 - Declare and implement the static method that allows changing the distributor of all media products.
- In the class Media:
 - Declare and implement a method for displaying information about a concrete media product. Explain which attributes can be displayed by this method and why.
 - Declare and implement a method with variable-length argument for displaying all information about a concrete media product.
- Write a program that
 - calls the static method using the class name
 - calls an instance of the method with/without variable-length argument

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Quiz 2 - Solution

```
public class Media {
    private String title;
    private String category;
    private float cost;

    static String distributor;

    // ... implementation of methods as in the solution of Quiz 1

    public static void setDistributor(String dist) {
        distributor = dist;
    }
}
```

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Quiz 3 - Solution

```
public void displayInstanceInfo() {
    System.out.println("Information about a
        concrete media product: ");
    System.out.println("Title: " + title);
    System.out.println("Category: " +
        category);
    System.out.println("Price: " + cost);
    // can not access to static variable
}

public static void displayStaticInfo() {
    System.out.println("Distributor: " +
        distributor);
    // can not access to instance variable
}
```

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Quiz 4 - solution

```
public class MediaClassUsage {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // static reference of variable
        System.out.println("Distributor: " + Media.distributor);
        // create a concrete media product
        Media media = new Media();
        media.setTitle("Vivaldi: The Four Seasons");
        media.setCategory("CD"); media.setCost((float) 14.38);
        media.setDistributor("Amazon");
        // static method call
        Media.displayStaticInfo();
        // call of instance method without variable-length args
        media.displayInstanceInfo();
        // call of instance method with variable-length args
        media.displayInstanceInfo("Title: ", media.getTitle(), "\n",
            "Category: ", media.getCategory(), "\n",
            "Price: ", Float.toString(media.getCost()), "\n",
            "Distributor: ", media.distributor);
    }
}
```

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Review

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- Encapsulation:
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