
CSC220 (CSI)

Computational Problem Solving

Object-Oriented Design

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Program Development

- The creation of software involves four basic activities:
 - establishing the requirements
 - what to do, not how to do it
 - creating a design
 - how a program will accomplish its requirements
 - implementing the code
 - the process of translating a design into source code
 - testing the implementation
- These activities are not strictly linear – they overlap and interact

Identifying Classes and Objects

- The core activity of object-oriented design is determining the classes and objects that will make up the solution
- The classes may be part of a class library, reused from a previous project, or newly written
- One way to identify potential classes is to identify the objects discussed in the requirements
- Objects are generally nouns, and the services that an object provides are generally verbs

Identifying Classes and Objects

- Part of identifying the classes we need is the process of *assigning responsibilities* to each class
- Every activity that a program must accomplish must be represented by one or more methods in one or more classes
- We generally use verbs for the names of methods
- In early stages it is not necessary to determine every method of every class – begin with primary responsibilities and evolve the design

Static Class Members

- Recall that a static method is one that can be invoked through its class name
- For example, the methods of the `Math` class are static:

```
result = Math.sqrt(25)
```

- Variables can be static as well
- Determining if a method or variable should be static is an important design decision

The static Modifier

- The `static` modifier associates the method or variable with the class rather than with an object of that class
- `Static methods` are sometimes called `class methods`
 - Invoked through the class name:
- `Static variables` are sometimes called `class variables`
 - Only one copy of the variable exists

```
private static float price;
```
 - Memory space for a static variable is created when the class is first referenced
 - All objects instantiated from the class share its static variables
 - Changing the value of a static variable in one object changes it for all others

Static Class Members

- The order of the modifiers can be interchanged, but by convention visibility modifiers come first
- Recall that the `main` method is static – it is invoked by the Java interpreter **without creating an object**
- Static methods **cannot reference instance variables because instance variables don't exist until an object exists**
- However, a static method can reference static variables or local variables

```

//*****
//  SloganCounter.java      Author: Lewis
//  Demonstrates the use of the static mod
//*****
public class SloganCounter {
    //-----
    //  Creates several Slogan objects and
    //  objects that were created.
    //-----

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Slogan obj;
        obj = new Slogan("Remember the Alamo.");
        System.out.println(obj);
        obj = new Slogan("Don't Worry. Be Happy.");
        System.out.println(obj);
        obj = new Slogan("Live Free or Die.");
        System.out.println(obj);
        obj = new Slogan("Talk is Cheap.");
        System.out.println(obj);
        obj = new Slogan("Write Once, Run Anywhere.");
        System.out.println(obj);
        System.out.println();
        System.out.println("Slogans created: " + Slogan.getCount());
    }
}

```

Output

```

Remember the Alamo.
Don't Worry. Be Happy.
Live Free or Die.
Talk is Cheap.
Write Once, Run Anywhere.

Slogans created: 5

```



```
//*****
//  Slogan.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//  Represents a single slogan string.
//*****
public class Slogan{
    private String phrase;
    private static int count = 0;

    //  Constructor: Sets up the slogan and counts the number of
    //  instances created.
    public Slogan(String str){
        phrase = str;
        count++;
    }

    //  Returns this slogan as a string.
    public String toString(){
        return phrase;
    }

    //  Returns the number of instances of this class that have been
    //  created.
    public static int getCount(){
        return count;
    }
}
```

Class Relationships

- Classes in a software system can have various types of relationships to each other
- Three of the most common relationships:
 - Dependency: A **uses** B
 - Aggregation: A **has-a** B
 - Inheritance: A **is-a** B
- Let's discuss dependency and aggregation further
- Inheritance is discussed in detail in Chapter 9

Dependency

- A **dependency** exists when one class relies on another in some way, usually by invoking the methods of the other
- We don't want numerous or complex dependencies among classes
- Nor do we want complex classes that don't depend on others
- A good design strikes the right balance

Dependency

- Some dependencies occur between objects of the same class
- A method of the class may accept an object of the same class as a parameter
- For example, the `concat` method of the `String` class takes as a parameter another `String` object

```
str3 = str1.concat(str2);
```

```

//*****
// RationalTester.java          Author: Lewis
// Driver to exercise the use of multiple
//*****
public class RationalTester{
    // Creates some rational number objects
    // operations on them.
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        RationalNumber r1 = new RationalNumber(3, 4);
        RationalNumber r2 = new RationalNumber(1, 3);
        RationalNumber r3, r4, r5, r6, r7;
        System.out.println("First rational number: " + r1);
        System.out.println("Second rational number: " + r2);
        if (r1.isLike(r2))
            System.out.println("r1 and r2 are equal.");
        else
            System.out.println("r1 and r2 are NOT equal.");
        r3 = r1.reciprocal();
        System.out.println("The reciprocal of r1 is: " + r3);
        r4 = r1.add(r2);
        r5 = r1.subtract(r2);
        r6 = r1.multiply(r2);
        r7 = r1.divide(r2);
        System.out.println("r1 + r2: " + r4);
        System.out.println("r1 - r2: " + r5);
        System.out.println("r1 * r2: " + r6);
        System.out.println("r1 / r2: " + r7);
    }
}

```

Output

```

First rational number: 3/4
Second rational number: 1/3
r1 and r2 are NOT equal.
The reciprocal of r1 is: 4/3
r1 + r2: 13/12
r1 - r2: 5/12
r1 * r2: 1/4
r1 / r2: 9/4

```

```

//*****
//  RationalNumber.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//  Represents one rational number with a numerator and denominator.
//*****
public class RationalNumber {
    private int numerator, denominator;
    //  Constructor: Sets up the rational number by ensuring a nonzero
    //  denominator and making only the numerator signed.
    public RationalNumber(int numer, int denom) {
        if (denom == 0)
            denom = 1;
        //  Make the numerator "store" the sign
        if (denom < 0) {
            numer = numer * -1;
            denom = denom * -1;
        }
        numerator = numer;
        denominator = denom;
        reduce();
    }

    //  Returns the numerator of this rational number.
    public int getNumerator() {
        return numerator;
    }

    //  Returns the denominator of this rational number.
    public int getDenominator() {
        return denominator;
    }
}

```

Continue

```
// Returns the reciprocal of this rational number.
public RationalNumber reciprocal(){
    return new RationalNumber(denominator, numerator);
}

// Adds this rational number to the one passed as a parameter.
// A common denominator is found by multiplying the individual
// denominators.
public RationalNumber add(RationalNumber op2){
    int commonDenominator = denominator * op2.getDenominator();
    int numerator1 = numerator * op2.getDenominator();
    int numerator2 = op2.getNumerator() * denominator;
    int sum = numerator1 + numerator2;
    return new RationalNumber(sum, commonDenominator);
}

// Subtracts the rational number passed as a parameter from this
// rational number.
public RationalNumber subtract(RationalNumber op2) {
    int commonDenominator = denominator * op2.getDenominator();
    int numerator1 = numerator * op2.getDenominator();
    int numerator2 = op2.getNumerator() * denominator;
    int difference = numerator1 - numerator2;
    return new RationalNumber(difference, commonDenominator);
}
```

continue

continue

```
// Multiplies this rational number by the one passed as a
// parameter.
public RationalNumber multiply(RationalNumber op2) {
    int numer = numerator * op2.getNumerator();
    int denom = denominator * op2.getDenominator();
    return new RationalNumber(numer, denom);
}

// Divides this rational number by the one passed as a parameter
// by multiplying by the reciprocal of the second rational.
public RationalNumber divide(RationalNumber op2) {
    return multiply(op2.reciprocal());
}

// Reduces this rational number by dividing both the numerator
// and the denominator by their greatest common divisor.
//-----
private void reduce() {
    if (numerator != 0) {
        int common = gcd(Math.abs(numerator), denominator);
        numerator = numerator / common;
        denominator = denominator / common;
    }
}
```

continue

continue

```
// Determines if this rational number is equal to the one passed  
// as a parameter. Assumes they are both reduced.
```

```
public boolean isLike(RationalNumber op2){  
    return ( numerator == op2.getNumerator() &&  
            denominator == op2.getDenominator() );  
}
```

```
// Returns this rational number as a string.
```

```
public String toString(){  
    String result;  
    if (numerator == 0)  
        result = "0";  
    else  
        if (denominator == 1)  
            result = numerator + "";  
        else  
            result = numerator + "/" + denominator;  
    return result;  
}
```

```
// Computes and returns the greatest common divisor of the two  
// positive parameters. Uses Euclid's algorithm.
```

```
private int gcd(int num1, int num2){  
    while (num1 != num2)  
        if (num1 > num2)  
            num1 = num1 - num2;  
        else  
            num2 = num2 - num1;  
    return num1;  
}
```

Aggregation

- An **aggregate** is an object that is made up of other objects
- Therefore aggregation is a **has-a** relationship
 - A car **has a** chassis
- An aggregate object contains references to other objects as instance data
- This is a special kind of dependency; the aggregate relies on the objects that compose it

```
//*****
// StudentBody.java          Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
// Demonstrates the use of an aggregate class.
//*****

public class StudentBody
{
    //-----
    // Creates some Address and Student objects and prints them
    //-----
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        Address school = new Address ("800 Lancaster Ave.",
                                      "PA", 19085);
        Address jHome = new Address ("21 Jump Street", "Lynchburg",
                                      "VA", 24551);
        Student john = new Student ("John", "Smith", jHome, school);

        Address mHome = new Address ("123 Main Street", "Euclid",
                                      "OH", 44132);
        Student marsha = new Student("Marsha", "Jones", mHome, school);

        System.out.println(john);
        System.out.println(marsha);
    }
}
```

Output

John Smith
Home Address:
21 Jump Street
Lynchburg, VA 24551
School Address:
800 Lancaster Ave.
Villanova, PA 19085

Marsha Jones
Home Address:
123 Main Street
Euclid, OH 44132
School Address:
800 Lancaster Ave.
Villanova, PA 19085

```

//*****
// Student.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
// Represents a college student.
//*****
public class Student{
    private String firstName, lastName;
    private Address homeAddress, schoolAddress;

    // Constructor: Sets up this student with the specified values.
    public Student(String first, String last, Address home, Address school){
        firstName = first;
        lastName = last;
        homeAddress = home;
        schoolAddress = school;
    }

    // Returns a string description of this Student object.
    public String toString(){
        String result;

        result = firstName + " " + lastName + "\n";
        result += "Home Address:\n" + homeAddress + "\n";
        result += "School Address:\n" + schoolAddress;

        return result;
    }
}

```

```
//*****
//  Address.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//  Represents a street address.
//*****
public class Address{
    private String streetAddress, city, state;
    private long zipCode;

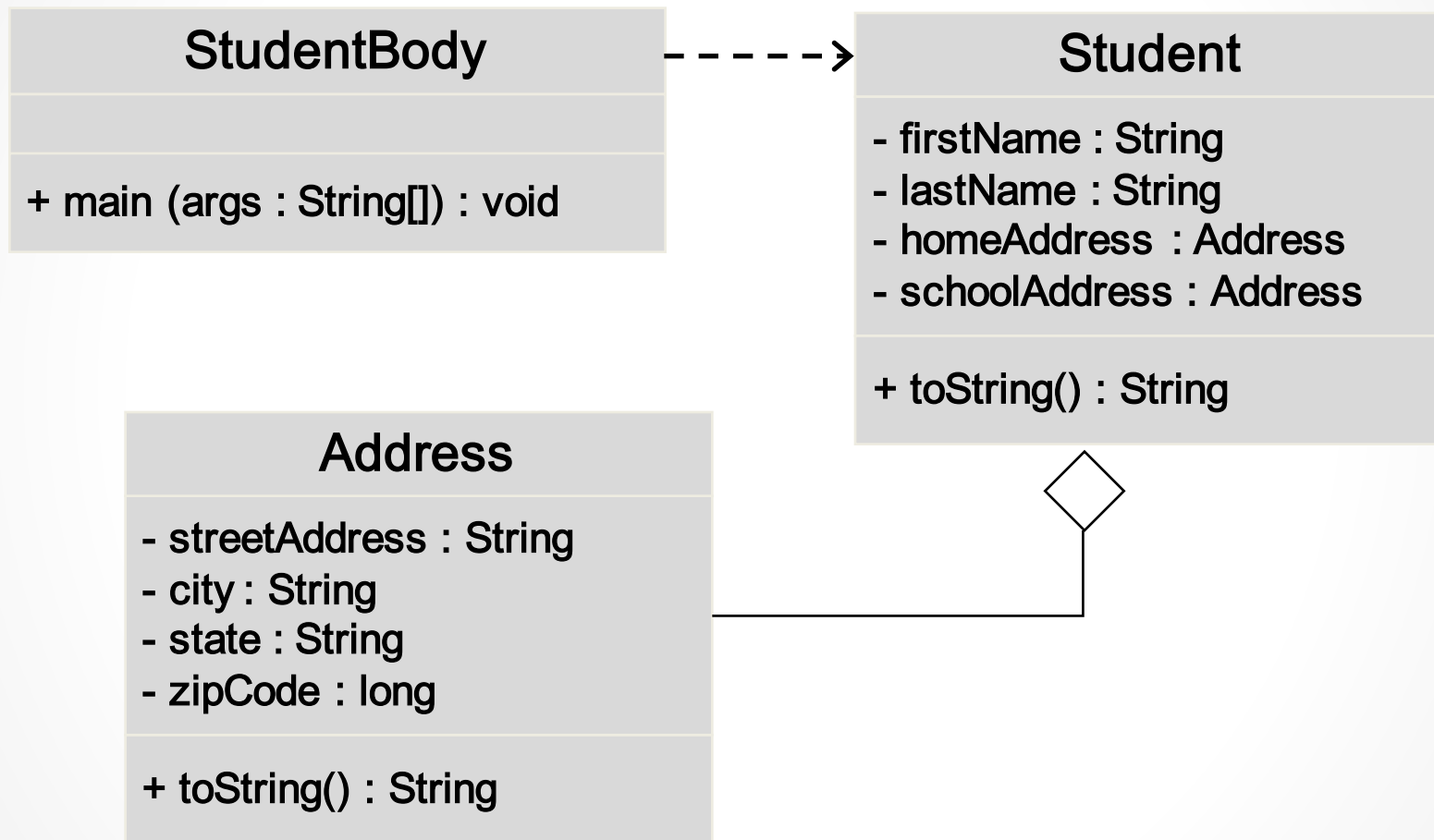
    //  Constructor: Sets up this address with the specified data.
    public Address(String street, String town, String st, long zip){
        streetAddress = street;
        city = town;
        state = st;
        zipCode = zip;
    }

    //  Returns a description of this Address object.
    public String toString(){
        String result;

        result = streetAddress + "\n";
        result += city + ", " + state + "  " + zipCode;

        return result;
    }
}
```

Aggregation in UML



The this Reference

- The `this` reference allows *an object to refer to itself*
- That is, the `this` reference, used inside a method, refers to the object through which the method is being executed
- The `this` reference can be used to distinguish the instance variables of a class from corresponding method parameters with the same names

```
public Account(String name, long acctNumber,  
                double balance) {  
    this.name = name;  
    this.acctNumber = acctNumber;  
    this.balance = balance;  
}
```


Interfaces

- A Java **interface** is a collection of abstract methods and constants
- An **abstract method** is a method header without a method body
 - An abstract method can be declared using the modifier `abstract`, but because all methods in an interface are abstract, usually it is left off
 - An interface is used to establish a set of methods that a class will implement


Interfaces

interface is a reserved word

None of the methods in
an interface are given
a definition (body)



```
public interface Doable
{
    public void doThis();
    public int doThat();
    public void doThis2(double value, char ch);
    public boolean doTheOther(int num);
}
```



A semicolon immediately
follows each method header

Interfaces

- An interface cannot be instantiated
- Methods in an interface have public visibility by default
- A class formally implements an interface by:
 - stating so in the class header
 - providing implementations for every abstract method in the interface
- If a class declares that it implements an interface, it must define all methods in the interface

Interfaces

```
public class CanDo implements Doable
```

```
{
```

```
    public void doThis()
```

```
    {
```

```
        // whatever
```

```
    }
```

```
    public void doThat()
```

```
    {
```


```
        // whatever
```

```
    }
```

```
    // etc.
```

```
}
```

 **implements is a
reserved word**

 **Each method listed
in Doable is
given a definition**

Interfaces

- In addition to (or instead of) abstract methods, an interface can contain constants
- When a class implements an interface, it gains access to all its constants
- A class that implements an interface can implement other methods as well

```
//*****  
// Complexity.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus  
//  
// Represents the interface for an object that can be assigned an  
// explicit complexity.  
//*****  
  
public interface Complexity  
{  
    public void setComplexity(int complexity);  
    public int getComplexity();  
}
```

```
//*****
//  Question.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//  Represents a question (and its answer).
//*****
public class Question implements Complexity {
    private String question, answer;
    private int complexityLevel;

    //  Constructor: Sets up the question with a default complexity.
    public Question(String query, String result) {
        question = query;
        answer = result;
        complexityLevel = 1;
    }

    //  Sets the complexity level for this question.
    public void setComplexity(int level) {
        complexityLevel = level;
    }

    //  Returns the complexity level for this question.
    public int getComplexity() {
        return complexityLevel;
    }

    //  Returns the question.
    public String getQuestion() {
        return question;
    }
}
```

continue

```
// Returns the answer to this question.
public String getAnswer(){
    return answer;
}

// Returns true if the candidate answer matches the answer.
public boolean answerCorrect(String candidateAnswer) {
    return answer.equals(candidateAnswer);
}

// Returns this question (and its answer) as a string.
public String toString(){
    return question + "\n" + answer;
}
}
```

```
//*****
// MiniQuiz.java          Author: Lewis/Loftus
// Demonstrates the use of a class that implements an interface.
//*****
import java.util.Scanner;
public class MiniQuiz {
    // Presents a short quiz.
    public static void main(String[] args){
        Question q1, q2;
        String possible;

        Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
        q1 = new Question("What is the capital of Jamaica?",
                           "Kingston");
        q1.setComplexity(4);
        q2 = new Question("Which is worse, ignorance or apathy?",
                           "I don't know and I don't care");
        q2.setComplexity(10);
```

continue

continue

```
System.out.print(q1.getQuestion());  
System.out.println(" (Level: " + q1.getComplexity() + ")");  
possible = scan.nextLine();  
if (q1.answerCorrect(possible))  
    System.out.println("Correct");  
else  
    System.out.println("No, the answer is " + q1.getAnswer());  
  
System.out.println();  
System.out.print(q2.getQuestion());  
System.out.println(" (Level: " + q2.getComplexity() + ")");  
possible = scan.nextLine();  
if (q2.answerCorrect(possible))  
    System.out.println("Correct");  
else  
    System.out.println("No, the answer is " + q2.getAnswer());  
}  
}
```

Sample Run

What is the capital of Jamaica? (Level: 4)

Kingston

Correct

Which is worse, ignorance or apathy? (Level: 10)

apathy

No, the answer is I don't know and I don't care

Interfaces

- A class can implement multiple interfaces
- The interfaces are listed in the `implements` clause
- The class **must implement all methods in all interfaces listed in the header**

```
class ManyThings implements interface1, interface2
{
    // all methods of both interfaces
}
```

The Comparable Interface

- Any class can implement `Comparable` to provide a mechanism for comparing objects of that type

```
if (obj1.compareTo(obj2) < 0)
    System.out.println ("obj1 is less than obj2");
```

- The value returned from `compareTo` should be negative if `obj1` is less than `obj2`, 0 if they are equal, and positive if `obj1` is greater than `obj2`
- It's up to the programmer to determine what makes one object less than another

The Iterator Interface

- An `iterator` is an object that allows you to process a collection of items one at a time
- It lets you step through each item in turn and process it as needed
- An iterator is created formally by implementing the `Iterator` interface, which contains three methods
 - The `hasNext` method returns a boolean result – true if there are items left to process
 - The `next` method returns the next object in the iteration
 - The `remove` method removes the object most recently returned by the `next` method

Iterators

- Several classes in the Java standard class library are iterators
- The `Scanner` class is an iterator
 - the `hasNext` method returns `true` if there is more data to be scanned
 - the `next` method returns the next scanned token as a string
- The `Scanner` class also has variations on the `hasNext` method for specific data types (such as `hasNextInt`)

```

//*****
//  URLDissector.java      Au
//  Demonstrates the use of Sc
//  using alternative delimit
//*****
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.io.*;
public class URLDissector {
    // Reads urls from a file
    public static void main(Str
        String url;
        Scanner fileScan, urlSca
        fileScan = new Scanner(n
        // Read and process each
        while (fileScan.hasNext(
            url = fileScan.nextLi
            System.out.println("U

            urlScan = new Scanner
            urlScan.useDelimiter(

            // Print each part o
            while (urlScan.hasNex
                System.out.println

            System.out.println();
        }
    }
}

```

Sample Run

URL: www.google.com
 www.google.com

URL: www.linux.org/info/gnu.html
 www.linux.org
 info
 gnu.html

URL: thelyric.com/calendar/
 thelyric.com
 calendar

URL: www.cs.vt.edu/undergraduate/about
 www.cs.vt.edu
 undergraduate
 about

URL: youtube.com/watch?v=EHCRimwRGLs
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The Iterable Interface

- Another interface, `Iterable`, establishes that an object provides an iterator
- The `Iterable` interface has one method, `iterator`, that returns an `Iterator` object
- Any `Iterable` object can be processed using the for-each version of the `for` loop
- Note the difference: an `Iterator` has methods that perform an iteration; an `Iterable` object provides an iterator on request

Method Design

- As we've discussed, high-level design issues include:
 - identifying primary classes and objects
 - assigning primary responsibilities
- After establishing high-level design issues, it's important to address low-level issues such as the design of key methods
 - A method should be relatively small, so that it can be understood as a single entity
 - A potentially large method should be decomposed into several smaller methods as needed for clarity
 - A public service method of an object may call one or more private support methods to help it accomplish its goal
 - Support methods might call other support methods if appropriate

Objects as Parameters

- Another important issue related to method design involves parameter passing
- Parameters in a Java method are **passed by value**
- A copy of the **actual parameter** (the value passed in) is stored into the **formal parameter** (in the method header)
- When an object is passed to a method, the actual parameter and the formal parameter become aliases of each other
- What a method does with a parameter may or may not have a permanent effect (outside the method)
- Note the difference between changing the internal state of an object versus changing which object a reference points to

```

//*****
//  ParameterTester.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//  Demonstrates the effects of passing various types of parameters.
//*****
public class ParameterTester{

    //  Sets up three variables (one primitive and two objects) to
    //  serve as actual parameters to the changeValues method. Prints
    //  their values before and after calling the method.
    public static void main(String[] args){
        ParameterModifier modifier = new ParameterModifier();

        int a1 = 111;
        Num a2 = new Num(222);
        Num a3 = new Num(333);

        System.out.println("Before calling changeValues:");
        System.out.println("a1\ta2\ta3");
        System.out.println(a1 + "\t" + a2 + "\t" + a3 + "\n");

        modifier.changeValues(a1, a2, a3);

        System.out.println("After calling changeValues:");
        System.out.println("a1\ta2\ta3");
        System.out.println(a1 + "\t" + a2 + "\t" + a3 + "\n");
    }
}

```

```
//*****
//  ParameterModifier.java      Author: Le
//
//  Demonstrates the effects of changing pa
//*****
```

```
public class ParameterModifier
{
    //-----
    //  Modifies the parameters, printing th
    //  after making the changes.
    //-----
    public void changeValues(int f1, Num f2,
    {
        System.out.println("Before changing t
        System.out.println("f1\tf2\tf3");
        System.out.println(f1 + "\t" + f2 + "

        f1 = 999;
        f2.setValue(888);
        f3 = new Num(777);

        System.out.println("After changing the values:");
        System.out.println("f1\tf2\tf3");
        System.out.println(f1 + "\t" + f2 + "\t" + f3 + "\n");
    }
}
```

Output

Before calling changeValues:

```
a1  a2  a3
111 222 333
```

Before changing the values:

```
f1  f2  f3
111 222 333
```

After changing the values:

```
f1  f2  f3
999 888 777
```

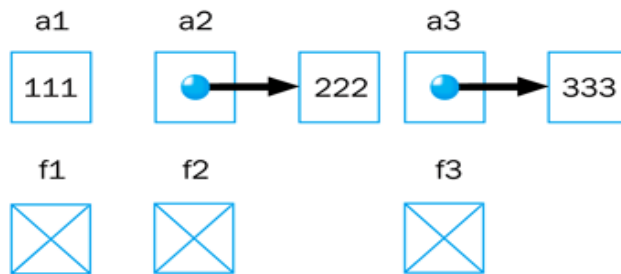
After calling changeValues:

```
a1  a2  a3
111 888 333
```

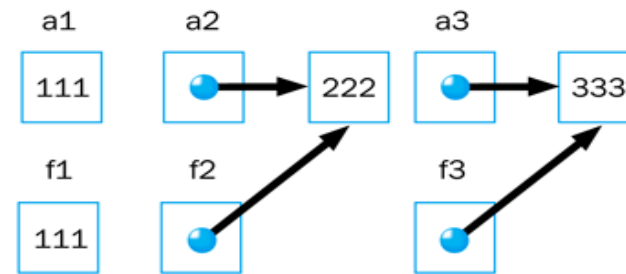
```
//*****  
//  Num.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus  
//  Represents a single integer as an object.  
//*****  
public class Num {  
    private int value;  
  
    //  Sets up the new Num object, storing an initial value.  
    public Num(int update) {  
        value = update;  
    }  
  
    //  Sets the stored value to the newly specified value.  
    public void setValue(int update) {  
        value = update;  
    }  
  
    //  Returns the stored integer value as a string.  
    public String toString(){  
        return value + "  
    }  
}
```

STEP 1

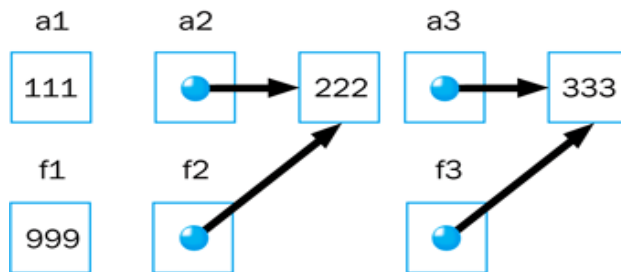
Before invoking `changeValues`

**STEP 2**

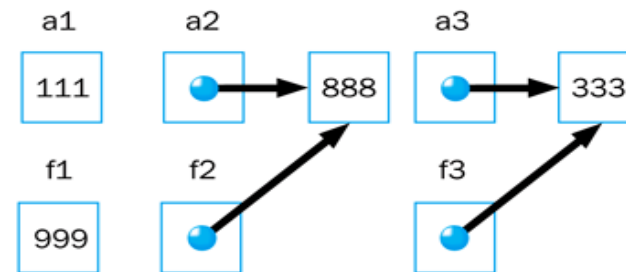
`tester.changeValues (a1, a2, a3);`

**STEP 3**

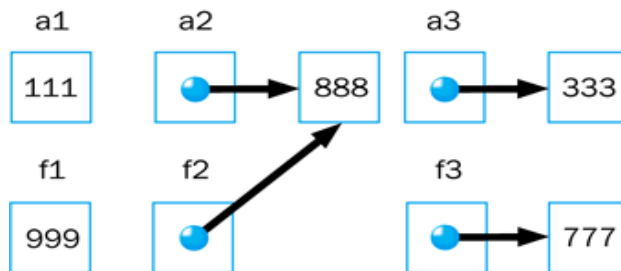
`f1 = 999;`

**STEP 4**

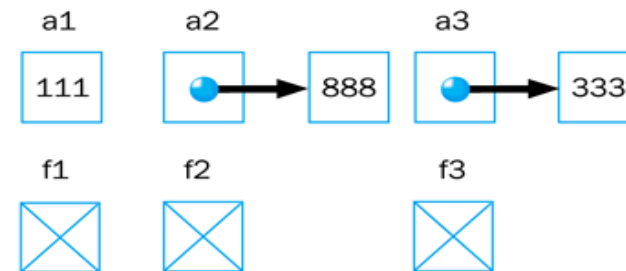
`f2.setValue (888);`

**STEP 5**

`f3 = new Num (777);`

**STEP 6**

After returning from `changeValues`



Method Overloading

- **Method overloading** is the process of giving a single method name multiple definitions in a class
- If a method is overloaded, the method name is not sufficient to determine which method is being called
- The **signature** of each overloaded method must be unique
- The signature includes the number, type, and order of the parameters

Method Overloading

- The compiler determines which method is being invoked by analyzing the parameters

```
float tryMe(int x)
{
    return x + .375;
}
```

Invocation

```
result = tryMe(25, 4.32)
```

```
float tryMe(int x, float y)
{
    return x*y;
}
```



Method Overloading

- The `println` method is overloaded:

```
println(String s)  
println(int i)  
println(double d)
```

and so on...

- The following lines invoke different versions of the `println` method:

```
System.out.println("The total is:");  
System.out.println(total);
```


Overloading Methods

- The return type of the method is not part of the signature
- That is, overloaded methods cannot differ only by their return type
- Constructors can be overloaded
- Overloaded constructors provide multiple ways to initialize a new object

Testing

- Testing can mean many different things
 - It includes running a completed program with various inputs
 - It includes any evaluation performed by human or computer to assess quality (Some evaluations should occur before coding even begins)
- The goal of testing is to find errors
- The earlier we find an problem, the easier and cheaper it is to fix

Testing

- As we find and fix errors, we raise our confidence that a program will perform as intended
- We can never really be sure that all errors have been eliminated
- So when do we stop testing?
 - Conceptual answer: Never
 - Cynical answer: When we run out of time
 - Better answer: When we are willing to risk that an undiscovered error still exists

Reviews

- A **review** is a meeting in which several people examine a design document or section of code
- It is a common and effective form of human-based testing
- Presenting a design or code to others:
 - makes us think more carefully about it
 - provides an outside perspective
- Reviews are sometimes called **inspections** or **walkthroughs**

Test Cases

- A **test case** is a set of input and user actions, coupled with the expected results
- Often test cases are organized formally into **test suites** which are stored and reused as needed
- For medium and large systems, testing must be a carefully managed process
- Many organizations have a separate Quality Assurance (QA) department to lead testing efforts

Defect and Regression Testing

- Defect testing is the execution of test cases to uncover errors
- The act of fixing an error may introduce new errors
- After fixing a set of errors we should perform regression testing – running previous test suites to ensure new errors haven't been introduced
- It is not possible to create test cases for all possible input and user actions
- Therefore we should design tests to maximize their ability to find problems

Black-Box Testing

- In **black-box testing**, test cases are developed without considering the internal logic
- They are based on the input and expected output
- Input can be organized into **equivalence categories**
- Two input values in the same equivalence category would produce similar results
- Therefore a good test suite will cover all equivalence categories and focus on the boundaries between categories

White-Box Testing

- White-box testing focuses on the internal structure of the code
- The goal is to ensure that every path through the code is tested
- Paths through the code are governed by any conditional or looping statements in a program
- A good testing effort will include both black-box and white-box tests

Summary

- software development activities
- determining the classes and objects that are needed for a program
- the relationships that can exist among classes
- the static modifier
- writing interfaces
- the design of enumerated type classes
- method design and method overloading
- testing