

# CMPS 251

## Lecture 07

Read Section 8.8



# Composition

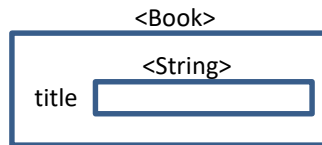
# Summary of Lecture 06

- Declaration of single and multi dimensional array
- How to assign and retrieve value from array using index.
- Basic built-in methods of array such as .length
- Array of user-defined object type
- **ArrayList**: declaration, built in method such as .size, .add, .get, set, etc.
- **Reference variables** and memory mapping
- Non-reference variables with primitive data types.
- Exception handling using **try**, **catch**, and **finally**

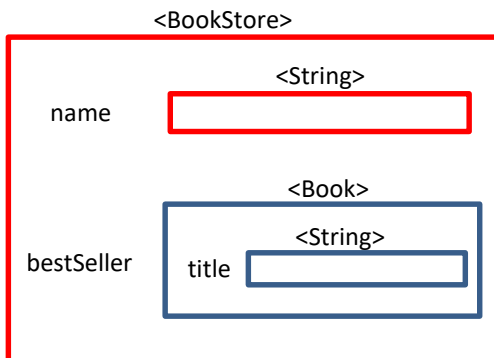
# Composition – Nested Classes

- In Java, it is also possible to nest classes (a class within a class).
- The purpose of nested classes is to group classes that belong together
- Sometimes you want an attribute of one class to be an object
- Embedding **one class** inside **another** is called **composition**
- We can also call this “the *has a* relationship”
- Examples:
  - **Car** has an **Engine** (**Car** is a class; **Engine** is also a class)
  - **Account** has an **Owner**
  - **BookStore** has a **Book** (or books)

# Composition Class Definition



```
public class Book {  
    private String title;  
  
    public Book(String title) {  
        this.title = title;  
    }  
  
    // getters and setters  
    public String getTitle() {  
        return title;  
    }  
    public void setTitle(String title) {  
        this.title = title;  
    }  
}
```

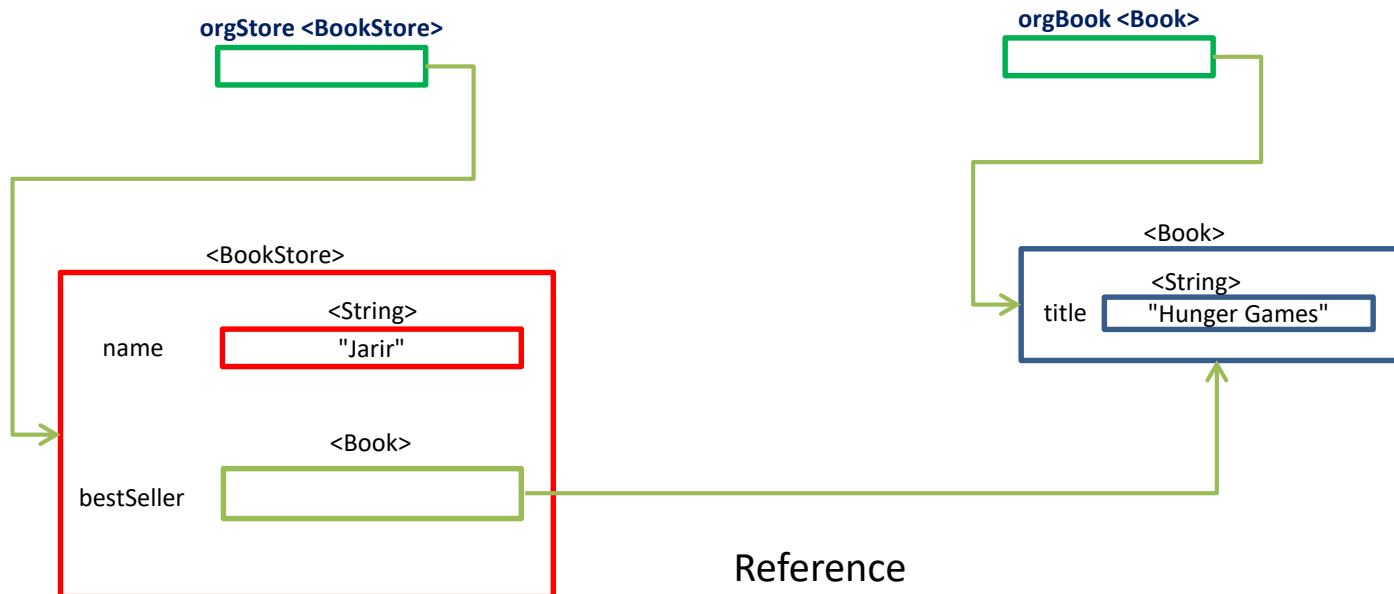


```
public class BookStore {  
    private String name;  
    private Book bestSeller;  
  
    public BookStore(String name, Book bestSeller) {  
        this.name = name;  
        this.bestSeller = bestSeller;  
    }  
}
```

Composition!

# Referencing After Instantiation

```
public class App {  
    public App() {  
        Book orgBook = new Book("Hunger Games");  
        BookStore orgStore = new BookStore("Jarir", orgBook);  
    }  
}
```



# Objects and References

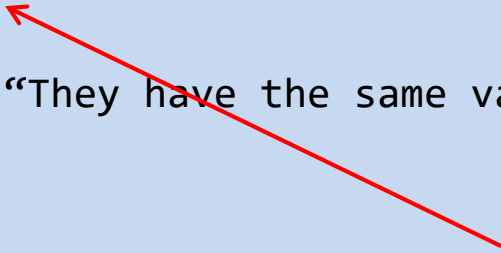
- Once a class is defined, you can declare variables (object reference) of that type

```
Book book1, book2;  
BookStore store1;  
Author author1;
```

- Object references are initially **null**
  - The **null** is a special value in Java indicating that the object is NOT created yet
- The **new** operator is required to create the object  
**ClassName variableName = new ClassName();**

# Comparing objects (using ==)

```
public class App {  
    public App() {  
        Book orgBook = new Book("Hunger Games");  
        BookStore orgStore = new BookStore("Jarir", orgBook);  
  
        Book copybook = new Book("Hunger Games");  
        BookStore copyStore = new BookStore("Jarir", copybook);  
  
        if (orgStore == copyStore)  
        {  
            System.out.println("They have the same values");  
        }  
    }  
}
```



Will this line work?

# The solution to the == problem?

## Define an `equalsTo` method

```
public class Book {  
    ...  
    public boolean equalsTo(Book book) {  
        return this.title.equals(book.title);  
    }  
}
```

Two Books are equal if their *title* values are the same.



# Code Deconstructed

## <equalsTo method>

```
Book book1 = new Book("Alf Laila wa Laila");
```

```
Book book2 = new Book("Alf Laila wa Laila");
```

```
if (book1 == book2)
    System.out.println("Both variables refer to the same object");
else
    System.out.println("Each variable refers to a different object");
```

```
if ( book1.equalsTo(book2) )
    System.out.println("Both objects have the same value");
else
    System.out.println("Each object has a different value");
```

Can we use `book2.equalsTo(book1)` instead?

# Question

- What if we want to compare BookStores?

```
public class BookStore {  
    ...  
    public boolean equalsTo(BookStore bookStore) {  
  
        return    this.name.equals(bookStore.name) &&  
                this.bestseller.equalsTo(bookStore.bestSeller);  
  
    }  
}
```

# Using ArrayList in composition

```
public class Book
{
    private String title;
    private String author;

    Book(String title, String author){
        this.title = title;
        this.author = author;
    }

    public String getTitle() {
        return title;
    }

    public void setTitle(String title) {
        this.title = title;
    }

    public String getAuthor() {
        return author;
    }

    public void setAuthor(String author) {
        this.author = author;
    }

    public String toString() {
        return String.format("Title : %s - Author : %s", getTitle(), getAuthor());
    }
}
```

# Using ArrayList in composition

```
import java.util.ArrayList;

public class Library
{
    private ArrayList<Book> books;

    Library () {
        this.books = new ArrayList<>();
    }

    public void addBook(Book book) {
        books.add(book);
    }

    public Book getBook(String bookTitle) {
        for(Book book : books)
        {
            if (book.getTitle().equalsIgnoreCase(bookTitle))
                return book;
        }
        return null;
    }

    public ArrayList<Book> getBooks(){
        return books;
    }
}
```

# Using ArrayList in composition

```
import java.util.ArrayList;

public class LibraryUI {
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        Library library = new Library();

        // Creating the Objects of Book class.
        Book book = new Book("Effective Java", "Joshua Bloch");
        library.addBook(book);

        book = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel");
        library.addBook(book);

        book = new Book("Java: The Complete Reference", "Herbert Schildt");
        library.addBook(book);

        Book abook = library.getBook("Thinking in Java");
        System.out.printf("%s is authored by %s \n", abook.getTitle(),
                           abook.getAuthor());

        ArrayList<Book> books = library.getBooks();
        for(Book b : books){
            System.out.println(b);
        } } }
```

# Java Inner Classes

- In Java, it is also possible to nest classes (a class within a class).
- The purpose of nested classes is to group classes that belong together, which makes your code more readable and maintainable.
- One advantage of inner classes, is that they can access attributes and methods of the outer class

# Java Inner Classes

- To access the inner class, create an object of the outer class, and then create an object of the inner class:

```
class OuterClass {  
    int x = 10;
```

```
    class InnerClass {  
        int y = 5;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        OuterClass myOuter = new OuterClass();  
        OuterClass.InnerClass myInner = myOuter.new InnerClass();  
        System.out.println(myInner.y + myOuter.x);  
    }  
}
```

```
// Outputs 15 (5 + 10)
```

# Private Inner Class

- Unlike a "regular" class, an inner class can be private or protected. If you don't want outside objects to access the inner class, declare the class as private:

```
class OuterClass {  
    int x = 10;  
  
    private class InnerClass {  
        int y = 5;  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        OuterClass myOuter = new OuterClass();  
        OuterClass.InnerClass myInner = myOuter.new InnerClass();  
        System.out.println(myInner.y + myOuter.x);  
    }  
}
```

If you try to access a private inner class from an outside class (MyMainClass), an error occurs:

```
Main.java:13: error: OuterClass.InnerClass has private access in  
OuterClass  
    OuterClass.InnerClass myInner = myOuter.new InnerClass();  
                ^
```



# Static Inner Class

- An inner class can also be **static**, which means that you can access it without creating an object of the outer class
- Just like **static** attributes and methods, a **static** inner class does not have access to members of the outer class.
- If you try to access a private inner class from an outside class (MyMainClass), an error occurs

```
class OuterClass {  
    int x = 10;  
  
    static class InnerClass {  
        int y = 5;  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        OuterClass.InnerClass myInner = new OuterClass.InnerClass();  
        System.out.println(myInner.y);  
    }  
}  
  
// Outputs 5
```

# Access Outer Class From Inner Class

- One advantage of inner classes, is that they can access attributes and methods of the outer class:

```
class OuterClass {
    int x = 10;

    class InnerClass {
        public int myInnerMethod() {
            return x;
        }
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        OuterClass myOuter = new OuterClass();
        OuterClass.InnerClass myInner = myOuter.new InnerClass();
        System.out.println(myInner.myInnerMethod());
    }
}

// Outputs 10
```