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## Unit 3: Object-Oriented Programming Concepts (OOP) (9 Hours)

### Fundamentals of Classes

Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) is a programming paradigm that is based on the concept of **objects**, which can contain data and methods. In Java, a **class** is the blueprint from which objects are created. This unit focuses on the **fundamentals of classes**, including creating simple classes, creating class instances (objects), adding methods to classes, and calling functions/methods.

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#### 1. Introduction to Classes

A **class** in Java is a blueprint or template for creating objects. It defines a set of attributes (variables) and methods (functions) that describe the behavior of the objects created from the class. An object is an instance of a class.

##### Basic Syntax of a Class:

```
public class ClassName {  
    // Attributes (fields) or properties of the class  
    int attribute1;  
    String attribute2;  
  
    // Constructor (optional)  
    public ClassName() {  
        // Initialize attributes  
    }  
  
    // Methods (functions) for the class  
    public void method1() {  
        System.out.println("Method 1 of the class.");  
    }  
  
    public int add(int a, int b) {  
        return a + b;  
    }  
}
```

#### 2. A Simple Class Example

Let's start by creating a simple class called `Person`. This class will have attributes such as `name` and `age`, and a method `greet()` that prints a greeting message.

##### Lab 1: A Simple Class Example

```
public class Person {  
    // Attributes (fields)  
    String name;  
    int age;  
  
    // Constructor to initialize the attributes  
    /*
```

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*Features of a Constructor:*

1. *Same Name as Class* - The constructor name must match the class name.
2. *No Return Type* - Constructors do not have a return type, not even void.
3. *Automatic Invocation* - It is called automatically when an object is created.
4. *Used for Initialization* - It initializes object properties.

*\*/*

```
public Person(String name, int age) {  
    this.name = name;  
    this.age = age;  
}  
  
// Method to print a greeting message  
public void greet() {  
    System.out.println("Hello, my name is " + name + " and I am " + age + " years  
old.");  
}  
}
```

## Explanation of the Example:

- **Class Declaration:** The class `Person` is declared with the keyword `public`. It contains two attributes: `name` (String) and `age` (int).
- **Constructor:** The constructor `public Person(String name, int age)` is used to initialize the `name` and `age` attributes when an object is created.
- **Method:** The `greet()` method prints a greeting message using the `name` and `age` attributes.

## 3. Creating Class Instances (Objects)

An **instance** of a class is an object that is created based on the class template. In Java, objects are created using the `new` keyword.

### Lab 1: Creating Class Instances (Objects)

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        // Creating an object of the Person class  
        Person person1 = new Person("Sharat", 25);  
  
        // Calling the greet() method on person1  
        person1.greet();  
    }  
}
```

## Explanation of the Example:

- **Creating an Object:** `Person person1 = new Person("Sharat", 25);` creates an object `person1` of the class `Person` and initializes it with the values `"Sharat"` for the name and `25` for the age.
- **Calling a Method:** `person1.greet();` calls the `greet()` method of the `person1` object, which prints the greeting message.

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## Sample Output:

```
Hello, my name is Sharat and I am 25 years old.
```

## 4. Adding Methods to a Class

Methods in Java define the behavior of the objects created from a class. They can accept parameters, perform operations, and return values.

### Method Syntax:

```
public returnType methodName(parameters) {  
    // Method body  
    // Perform operations and return a value if needed  
}
```

### Lab 2: Adding Methods for Calculations

Let's add a method to calculate the area of a rectangle in the `Rectangle` class.

```
public class Rectangle {  
    // Attributes (fields)  
    double length;  
    double width;  
  
    // Constructor to initialize the rectangle's dimensions  
    public Rectangle(double length, double width) {  
        this.length = length;  
        this.width = width;  
    }  
  
    // Method to calculate the area of the rectangle  
    public double calculateArea() {  
        return length * width;  
    }  
}
```

### Explanation of the Example:

- **Attributes:** The `Rectangle` class has two attributes: `length` and `width`.
- **Constructor:** The constructor initializes the `length` and `width` values when a new object of the class is created.
- **Method:** The `calculateArea()` method computes and returns the area of the rectangle (i.e., `length * width`).

### Lab 2: Using the Rectangle Class:

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        // Creating an object of Rectangle class  
        Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(5.0, 4.0);  
    }  
}
```

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```
// Calling the method to calculate area
double area = rect.calculateArea();

// Printing the area
System.out.println("The area of the rectangle is: " + area);

/*
Use of Scanner to input from user:
Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);
double length = scanner.nextDouble();
double breadth = scanner.nextDouble();

scanner.close();    -> close scanner object at the end.
*/
}
}
```

## Explanation of the Example:

- **Creating an Object:** The object `rect` of class `Rectangle` is created with the length `5.0` and width `4.0`.
- **Calling the Method:** `rect.calculateArea();` calculates the area of the rectangle and stores the result in the `area` variable.

## Sample Output:

```
The area of the rectangle is: 20.0
```

## Question: Lab 3:

Write a Java program to calculate the **Volume** and **Total Surface Area (TSA)** of a cuboid using functions. The program should:

1. Accept the **length**, **breadth**, and **height** of the cuboid as input from the user.
2. Use a function to calculate the **Volume**.
3. Use another function to calculate the **Total Surface Area (TSA)**.
4. Display the results.

## Formulae:

1. **Volume of the cuboid (V):**  $V = \text{length} * \text{breadth} * \text{height}$
2. **Total Surface Area (TSA) of the cuboid:**  $TSA = 2 * (\text{length} * \text{breadth} + \text{breadth} * \text{height} + \text{height} * \text{length})$

## Sample Output:

```
Enter the length of the cuboid: 5
Enter the breadth of the cuboid: 4
Enter the height of the cuboid: 3

Volume of the cuboid: 60
Total Surface Area (TSA) of the cuboid: 94
```

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## Explanation:

- **Volume** is calculated as:  $5 * 4 * 3 = 60$
- **Total Surface Area** is calculated as:  $2 * ( 5 * 4 + 4 * 3 + 3 * 5 ) = 94$

## 5. Calling Functions/Methods

To **call a method** in Java, you use the object reference for instance methods or the class name for static methods.

### Calling Instance Methods:

An instance method belongs to an object. You must create an object to call the instance method.

```
objectReference.methodName();
```

### Lab 4: Calling Instance Methods

```
public class Person {
    String name;

    public Person(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }

    public void greet() {
        System.out.println("Hello, my name is " + name);
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Create an object of Person class
        Person person1 = new Person("Sharat");

        // Call the greet method
        person1.greet(); // Output: Hello, my name is Sharat
    }
}
```

### Calling Static Methods:

A **static method** belongs to the class itself and can be called without creating an object.

```
ClassName.methodName();
```

### Lab 5: Calling Static Methods

```
public class Calculator {
    // Static method for addition
    public static int add(int a, int b) {
        return a + b;
    }
}
```

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```
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        // Calling the static method without creating an object  
        int result = Calculator.add(5, 3);  
  
        // Printing the result  
        System.out.println("The sum is: " + result); // Output: The sum is: 8  
    }  
}
```

## 6. Access Modifiers in Java

Java provides **access modifiers** to control the visibility of classes, methods, and variables.

- **public** : Accessible from anywhere.
- **private** : Accessible only within the same class.
- **protected** : Accessible within the same package and by subclasses.
- Default (no modifier): Accessible within the same package.

### Lab 6: Access Modifiers in Java

```
public class Person {  
    private String name; // Private field  
    public int age;      // Public field  
  
    public Person(String name, int age) {  
        this.name = name;  
        this.age = age;  
    }  
  
    // Public method to access private field  
    public String getName() {  
        return name;  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Person person = new Person("Sharat", 30);  
  
        // Accessing public field directly  
        System.out.println("Age: " + person.age);  
  
        // Accessing private field via a public method  
        System.out.println("Name: " + person.getName());  
    }  
}
```

**Sample Output:**

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Age: 30  
Name: Sharat

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## 7. Abstraction

**Abstraction** is the concept of hiding the implementation details and showing only the essential features of an object. In Java, abstraction is achieved using **abstract classes** and **interfaces**.

- **Abstract Class:** A class that cannot be instantiated and may have abstract methods (methods without implementation).
- **Interface:** A collection of abstract methods. A class that implements an interface must provide implementations for all its methods.

### Lab 7: Abstraction

```
// Abstract class
abstract class Animal {
    abstract void sound(); // Abstract method

    public void sleep() {
        System.out.println("Animal is sleeping.");
    }
}

// Concrete class
class Dog extends Animal {
    @Override
    void sound() {
        System.out.println("Dog barks.");
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Animal myDog = new Dog();
        myDog.sound(); // Output: Dog barks.
        myDog.sleep(); // Output: Animal is sleeping.
    }
}
```

## 8. Encapsulation

**Encapsulation** is the concept of wrapping data (variables) and methods that operate on the data into a single unit known as a class. It restricts direct access to some of the object's components and can prevent unintended interference and misuse of the data.

- **Private Variables:** Used to hide the data.
- **Public Methods:** Used to access and update the data (getters and setters).

### Lab 8: Encapsulation

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```
public class Person {
    // Private variables
    private String name;
    private int age;

    // Getter method
    public String getName() {
        return name;
    }

    // Setter method
    public void setName(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }

    // Getter method
    public int getAge() {
        return age;
    }

    // Setter method
    public void setAge(int age) {
        if (age >= 0) {
            this.age = age;
        }
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Person p = new Person();
        p.setName("Sharat");
        p.setAge(25);

        System.out.println("Name: " + p.getName()); // Output: Name: Sharat
        System.out.println("Age: " + p.getAge());    // Output: Age: 25
    }
}
```

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## 9. Using this Keyword

The **this** keyword is used within an instance method or constructor to refer to the current object. It is commonly used to refer to instance variables when they are shadowed by method parameters.

### Lab 9: Using this Keyword

```
public class Person {
    String name;

    public Person(String name) {
        this.name = name; // 'this' refers to the current object's instance variable
    }
}
```



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```
}

public void printName() {
    System.out.println("Name: " + this.name);
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    Person p = new Person("Sharat");
    p.printName(); // Output: Name: Sharat
}
}
```

## 10. Constructors: Default and Parameterized

- **Default Constructor:** A constructor provided by Java when no constructors are defined in the class. It initializes object members with default values (e.g., `null` for objects, `0` for integers).
- **Parameterized Constructor:** A constructor that allows the initialization of object members with specific values when an object is created.

### Lab 10: Constructors: Default and Parameterized

```
public class Car {
    String model;
    int year;

    // Default Constructor
    public Car() {
        this.model = "Unknown";
        this.year = 2020;
    }

    // Parameterized Constructor
    public Car(String model, int year) {
        this.model = model;
        this.year = year;
    }

    public void display() {
        System.out.println("Model: " + model + ", Year: " + year);
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Car car1 = new Car(); // Calls default constructor
        Car car2 = new Car("Tesla", 2022); // Calls parameterized constructor

        car1.display(); // Output: Model: Unknown, Year: 2020
        car2.display(); // Output: Model: Tesla, Year: 2022
    }
}
```

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## 11. Methods: Passing by Value and by Reference

- **Passing by Value:** In Java, primitive data types are passed by value. This means that a copy of the variable is passed to the method.
- **Passing by Reference:** For objects, Java passes the reference to the object (not the actual object), meaning that modifications made to the object in the method affect the original object.

### Lab 11: Methods: Passing by Value and by Reference

```
// Passing by value (Primitive type)
public class Example {
    public static void changeValue(int num) {
        num = 50;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int number = 10;
        changeValue(number);
        System.out.println("Value after method call: " + number); // Output: 10
        (value not changed)
    }
}

// Passing by reference (Object)
public class Example {
    static class Person {
        String name;
        Person(String name) {
            this.name = name;
        }
    }

    public static void changeName(Person p) {
        p.name = "Sharat";
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Person person = new Person("Sharat");
        changeName(person);
        System.out.println("Name after method call: " + person.name); // Output: Name
        after method call: Sharat
    }
}
```

## 12. Methods that Return Values

A method in Java can return a value. The return type is specified in the method declaration.

### Lab 12: Methods that Return Values

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```
public class Calculator {
    public int add(int a, int b) {
        return a + b;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Calculator calc = new Calculator();
        int sum = calc.add(5, 3);
        System.out.println("Sum: " + sum); // Output: Sum: 8
    }
}
```

## 13. Polymorphism and Method Overloading

- **Polymorphism:** The ability to take many forms. In Java, polymorphism allows us to use the same method name with different implementations.
- **Method Overloading:** The ability to define multiple methods with the same name but different parameter types or number of parameters.

### Lab 13: Polymorphism and Method Overloading

```
public class Calculator {
    public int add(int a, int b) {
        return a + b;
    }

    public double add(double a, double b) {
        return a + b;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Calculator calc = new Calculator();
        System.out.println(calc.add(5, 3)); // Output: 8
        System.out.println(calc.add(5.5, 3.5)); // Output: 9.0
    }
}
```

## 14. Recursion

**Recursion** occurs when a method calls itself in order to solve a problem. A base case is used to stop the recursion.

### Lab 14: Factorial

```
public class Factorial {
    public static int factorial(int n) {
        if (n == 0) {
            return 1; // Base case
        } else {
            return n * factorial(n - 1); // Recursive case
        }
    }
}
```

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```
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println("Factorial of 5: " + factorial(5)); // Output: 120
}
}
```

## 15. Nested and Inner Classes

- **Nested Class:** A class defined within another class.
- **Inner Class:** A nested class that has access to the instance variables and methods of the outer class.

### Lab 15: Nested and Inner Classes

```
public class OuterClass {
    private String outerVar = "Outer class variable";

    // Inner class
    class InnerClass {
        public void printOuterVar() {
            System.out.println(outerVar); // Accesses outer class variable
        }
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        OuterClass outer = new OuterClass();
        OuterClass.InnerClass inner = outer.new InnerClass(); // Create inner class
        object
        inner.printOuterVar(); // Output: Outer class variable
    }
}
```

## Conclusion: What Students Have Learned

After completing this unit on **Fundamentals of Classes** and other Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) concepts, students will have gained a thorough understanding of key OOP principles and Java programming techniques. Specifically, students will be able to:

### 1. Understand the Fundamentals of Classes:

- Define and create **simple classes** in Java.
- Instantiate **objects** of a class and work with them.
- Add **methods** to a class and call them effectively, demonstrating the practical use of functions in object-oriented design.

### 2. Apply Abstraction and Encapsulation:

- Implement **abstraction** to hide unnecessary details and expose only essential features through abstract classes or interfaces.
- Use **encapsulation** to bundle data (variables) and methods that operate on the data within a class, restricting direct access to certain fields for better data integrity and security.

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## 3. Utilize the `this` Keyword:

- Understand how to use the `this` keyword to refer to the current instance of a class, especially in constructors and methods where variable names may conflict.

## 4. Work with Constructors:

- Define and use **default constructors** that provide initial values for an object's attributes.
- Create **parameterized constructors** to initialize objects with specific values at the time of creation.

## 5. Understand Method Parameters and Value Passing:

- Learn how Java handles **pass-by-value** for primitive types and **pass-by-reference** for objects, enabling students to manipulate data within methods appropriately.

## 6. Implement Access Control:

- Use **access modifiers** (`public`, `private`, `protected`) to control access to class members, ensuring proper encapsulation and security in the application.

## 7. Work with Methods that Return Values:

- Develop the ability to create methods that perform calculations or operations and return values to the caller for further processing.

## 8. Explore Polymorphism and Method Overloading:

- Grasp the concept of **polymorphism**, allowing methods to behave differently based on the object type.
- Implement **method overloading** to define multiple methods with the same name but different parameter types or counts, enhancing flexibility and reusability of code.

## 9. Master Recursion:

- Understand **recursion** as a problem-solving technique, where methods call themselves to solve smaller instances of a problem, and apply it effectively in various scenarios like calculating factorials.

## 10. Use Nested and Inner Classes:

- Implement **nested** and **inner classes** to group related classes together, enabling better organization and encapsulation of functionality within a larger class.