

CPE207 Object Oriented Programming

Week 6

Deeper in classes: this() & toString()



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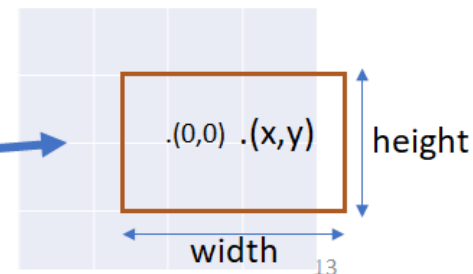
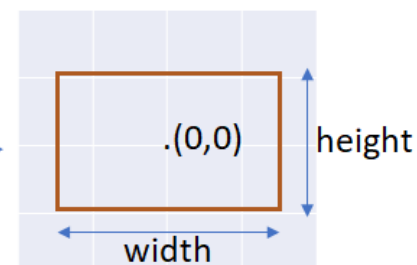
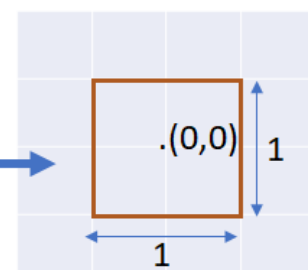
public class Rectangle {
    private int x, y;
    private int width, height;

    public Rectangle() { //to create a unit rectangle(a square) at origin
        this.x = 0;      //user-defined rectangle at specific coordinates.
        this.y = 0;
        this.width = 1;
        this.height = 1;
    }

    public Rectangle(int width, int height) { // to create user defined
        this.x = 0; //user-defined rectangle at specific coordinates.
        this.y = 0;
        this.width = width;
        this.height = height;
    }

    public Rectangle(int x, int y, int width, int height) { //to create a
        this.x = x;      //user-defined rectangle at specific coordinates.
        this.y = y;
        this.width = width;
        this.height = height;
    }
}

```

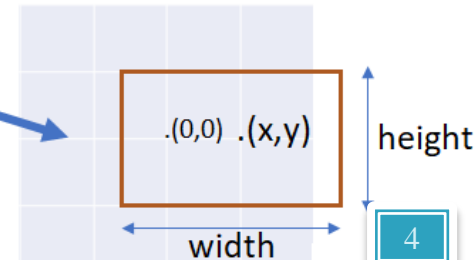
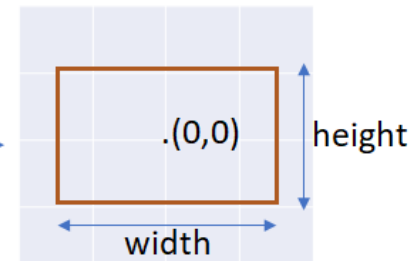


THIS WAY OF WRITING IS NOT GOOD

Calling a Constructor From a Constructor

this() constructors are used to call (invoke) an alternate constructor of the same class.

```
public class Rectangle {  
    private int x, y;  
    private int width, height;  
  
    public Rectangle() { //to create a unit rectangle(a square) at origin  
        this(0, 0, 1, 1);  
    }  
    public Rectangle(int width, int height) { // to create user-defined  
        this(0, 0, width, height); // rectangle at origin  
    }  
    public Rectangle(int x, int y, int width, int height) { //to create a  
        this.x = x; //user-defined rectangle at specific coordinates.  
        this.y = y;  
        this.width = width;  
        this.height = height;  
    }  
}
```



toString() method

- ▶ If you want to represent any object as a string, **toString() method** comes into existence.
- ▶ toString() returns a string representation of the object.
- ▶ In general, the toString method returns a string that "textually represents" this object.
- ▶ If you print any object, java compiler internally invokes the toString() method on the object.
- ▶ We will mention it again in polymorphism.

```
class Student{
    int rollno;
    String name;
    Student(int rollno, String name){
        this.rollno=rollno;
        this.name=name;
    }

    public String toString(){
        return rollno+" "+name+" "+city;
    }

    public static void main(String args[]){
        Student s1=new Student(101,"Jack","Sparrow");
        Student s2=new Student(102,"Johnny","Cash");

        System.out.println(s1);
        //compiler writes here s1.toString()
        System.out.println(s2);
        //compiler writes here s2.toString()
    }
}
OUTPUT:
```

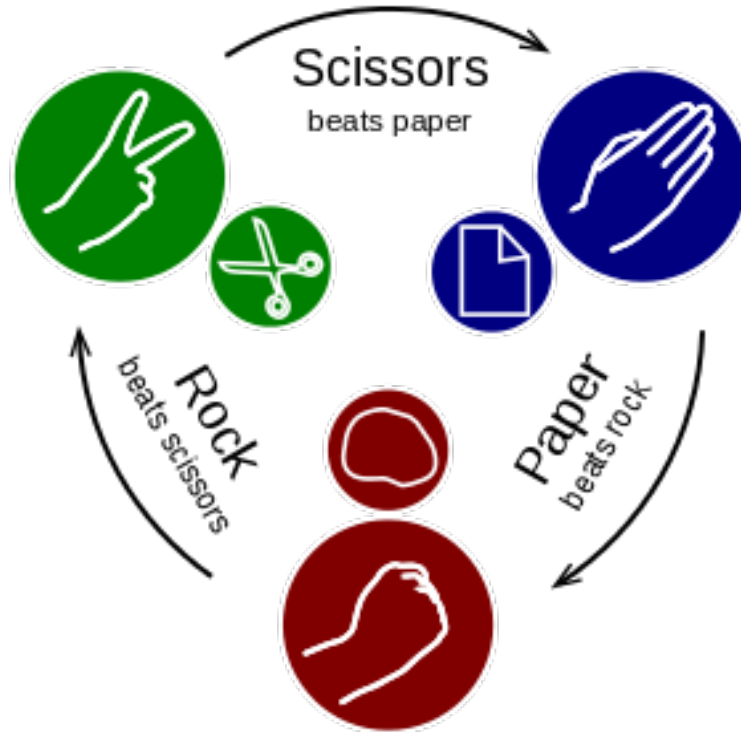
Garbage Collection

- ▶ Every object uses system resources, such as memory.
 - We need to give resources back to the system when they're no longer needed; otherwise, “resource leaks” might occur. (OutOfMemoryErrors)
- In C/C++, programmer is responsible for both creation and destruction of objects.
 - `[int *ptr; ptr = (int *)malloc(sizeof(int)); *ptr = 25; free(ptr);]`
- ▶ But, The JVM performs automatic garbage collection to destroys the objects no longer in use.
 - When there are *no more references* to an object, the object is *eligible* to be collected. Collection typically occurs when the JVM executes its garbage collector.
 - Main objective of Garbage Collector is to free heap memory by destroying **unreachable objects**.

Garbage Collection (conts.)

- Every class in Java has the methods of class Object (package java.lang), one of which is method **finalize**.
- **finalize** allows the garbage collector to perform termination housekeeping on an object just before reclaiming the object's memory.
- You should *never* use method **finalize**, because it can cause many problems and there's uncertainty as to whether it will ever get called before a program terminates.

Yet Another Exercise: Rock Scissor Paper Game



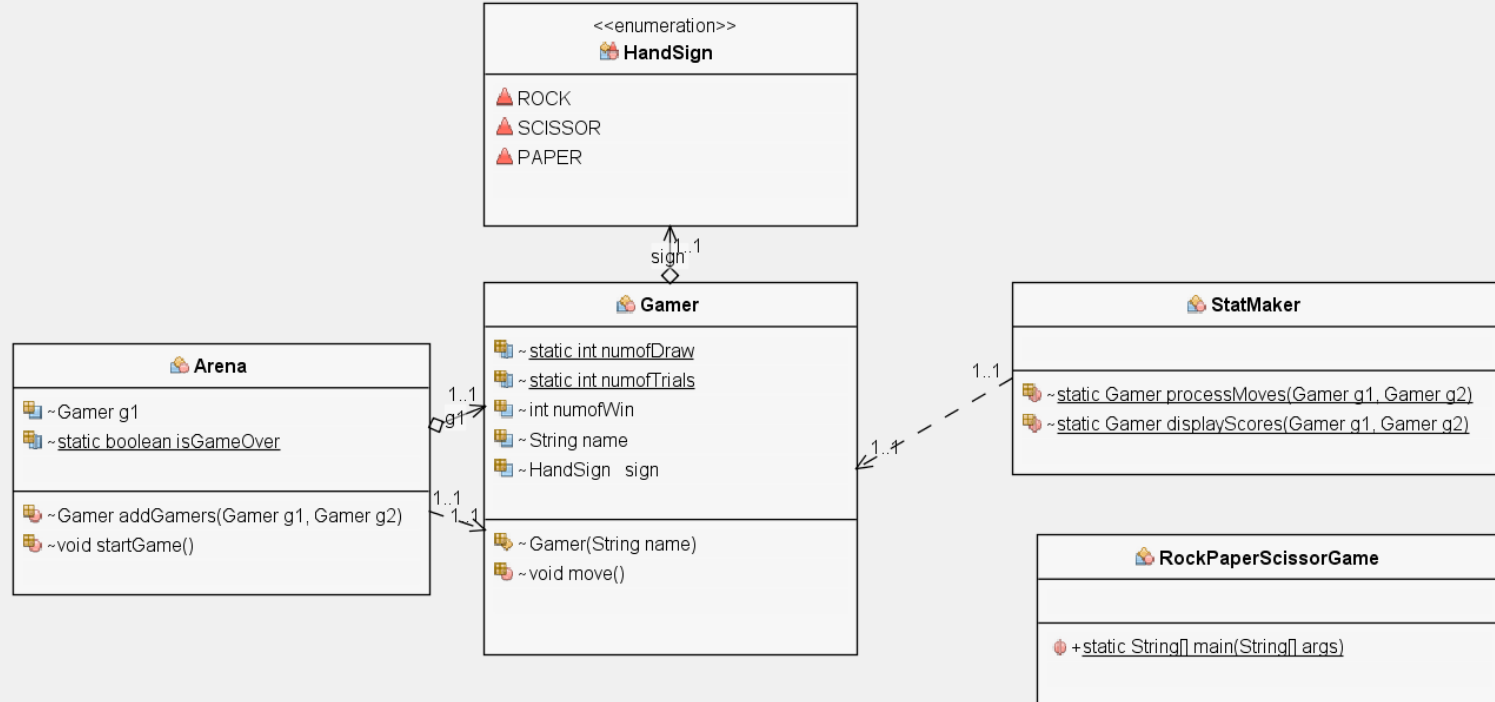
Rock Scissor Paper Game

Game Rules

- ▶ If the pair is player1 is paper and player2 is rock then player1 wins
- ▶ If the pair is player1 is scissors and player2 is paper then player1 wins
- ▶ If the pair is player1 is rock and player2 is scissors then player1 wins
- ▶ If Player1 is same as player2, then draw!
- ▶ Else player2 wins

Rock Scissor Paper Game

What we need are...



Rock Scissor Paper Game

Game Logic

RockScissorPaper Class (main class)

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
    Gamer g1 = new Gamer("gamer 1");  
    Gamer g2 = new Gamer("gamer 2");  
    Arena arena = new Arena();  
    arena.addGamers(g1,g2);  
    arena.startGame();  
}
```

Arena Class

```
void addGamers(Gamer g1, Gamer g2) {  
    this.gamer1=g1;  
    this.gamer2=g2;  
}
```

```
void startGame() {  
    while(!isGameOver)  
    {  
        gamer1.move();  
        gamer2.move();  
        StatMaker.processMoves(gamer1,gamer2);  
        StatMaker.displayScores(gamer1,gamer2);  
    }  
}
```

Game Logic

```
void move() {
    boolean isInputValid=false;
    Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
    System.out.println(this.name + " please enter p: paper s:scissor: r:rock q:quit");

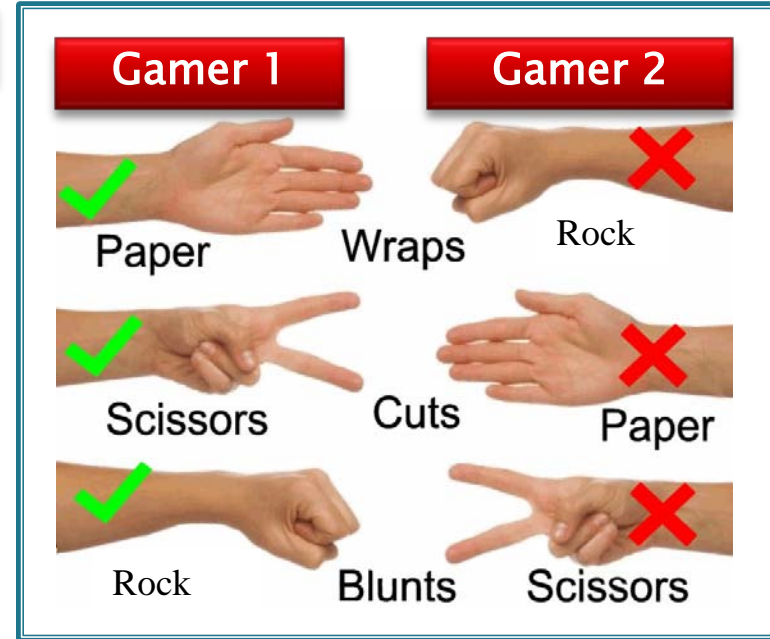
    do{
        char inChar = input.next().toLowerCase().charAt(0);
        switch(inChar)
        {
            case 'q':
                Arena.isGameOver=true;
                break;
            case 'p':
                sign=HandSign.PAPER;
                break;
            case 'r':
                sign=HandSign.ROCK;
                break;
            case 's':
                sign=HandSign.SCISSOR;
                break;
            default:
                System.out.println("your input is invalid. Please try again");
                isInputValid=true;
                break;
        }
    }
    while(isInputValid);
}
```

Rock Scissor Paper Game

StatMaker Class

```
static void processMoves(Gamer g1, Gamer g2) {  
    if (g1.sign==null || g2.sign==null || Arena.isGameOver) return;  
    else if (g1.sign == g2.sign)  
        Gamer.numofDraw++;  
    else if (g1.sign==HandSign.PAPER && g2.sign == HandSign.ROCK)  
        g1.numofWin++;  
        else if (g1.sign==HandSign.SCISSOR && g2.sign == HandSign.PAPER)  
            g1.numofWin++;  
        else if (g1.sign==HandSign.ROCK && g2.sign == HandSign.SCISSOR)  
            g1.numofWin++;  
    else  
        g2.numofWin++;  
  
    Gamer.numofTrials++;  
}
```

```
static void displayScores(Gamer g1, Gamer g2) {  
    System.out.println(g1.name+ " : "+g1.numofWin + " %" + (Gamer.numofTrials==0 ? 0: (float)g1.numofWin/Gamer.numofTrials)*100f);  
    System.out.println(g2.name+ " : "+g2.numofWin + " %" + (Gamer.numofTrials==0 ? 0: (float)g2.numofWin/Gamer.numofTrials)*100f);  
    System.out.println("Num of draws: " + Gamer.numofDraw);  
}
```



Let's make this game.

Thanks 😊

Lab exercise : Calling a Constructor From a Constructor

- ▶ Create a class called Person where, id, firstName, lastName, and age attributes are declared.
- ▶ Create four constructors
 - In first, set all attributes;
 - In the second, assign only first and last names, automatically increment id and age will be set to zero;
 - In the third, only set id, and set rest to default values;
 - In the last only increment id, set the rest to default values.