

UNIT 2: Core Java

What is Core Java



The word **Core** describes the basic concept of something, and here, the phrase 'Core Java' defines the basic Java that covers the basic concept of Java programming language. We all are aware that Java is one of the well-known and widely used programming languages, and to begin with it, the beginner has to start the journey with Core Java and then towards the [Advance Java](#). The [Java programming language](#) is a general-purpose programming language that is based on the OOPs concept. The ocean of Java is too deep to learn, i.e., as much you learn more, you will know its depth. Java is a platform-independent and robust programming language. The principle followed by Java is **WORA** that says *Write Once, Run Anywhere*. The programming language is quite simple and easy to understand. But one should know that Core Java is not different from Java. Java is complete in itself, but for the beginners, it is natural that the beginner must begin with the core concepts of Java. In actual, Java has different editions, where Core Java is one of the parts of an edition.

Java Editions

The Java Programming Language has the following defined editions that it supports:

Java SE (Java Standard Edition)



The [Java SE](#) is a computing-based platform and used for developing desktop or Window based applications. Thus, core Java is the part of Java SE where the developers develop desktop-based applications by using the basic concepts of Java where [JDK \(Java Development Kit\)](#) is a quite familiar Java SE implementation.

Java EE (Java Enterprise Edition)



Also known as **Java 2** Platform or [J2EE](#). It is the enterprise platform where a developer develops applications on the servers, i.e., the enterprise development. This edition is used for web development.

Java ME (Java Micro Edition)



It is the micro edition that is used for the development of mobile phone applications. Thus, for the development of mobile applications, one needs to use [Java ME](#).

Thus, it is clear that Core Java is the part of Java SE and Java SE is the foundation for all other Java editions.

Concepts Covered in Core Java

The following concepts are some of the major basic concepts of Java through which a beginner should go through:

- Java Fundamentals
- [OOps Concepts](#)
- [Overloading](#) & [Overriding](#)
- [Inheritance](#) with [Interface](#) and [Abstract Class](#)
- [Exception Handling](#)
- [Packages](#)
- [Collections](#)
- [Multithreading](#)
- [Swings](#)
- [Applets](#)
- [JDBC](#) (Basic Database Connections)

Although these major concepts hold its own depth, after gaining and implementing the best knowledge in the basic Java concepts, one can move towards the advanced Java version as the advanced section of the Java is quite interesting but can only be understood when the core concepts of Java are clear.

Core Java Vs. Advance Java

Both Core Java and Advance Java are parts of Java programming, but for understanding the entire Java better, we need to differentiate between both. So, below we have described some differences between both core java and advance Java:

Core Java	Advance Java
Core Java covers the basic concepts of the Java programming language.	Advance Java covers the advanced topics and concepts of the Java programming language.
Core Java is used for developing computing or desktop applications.	Advance Java is used for developing enterprise applications.
It is the first step, to begin with, Java.	It is the next step after completing the Core Java.
Core Java is based on single-tier architecture.	Advance Java is based on two-tier architecture.
It comes under Java SE.	It comes under Java EE or J2EE.
It covers core topics such as OOPs, inheritance, exception handling, etc.	It covers advanced topics such as JDBC, servlets, JSP, web services etc.

Operators in Java

Operator in [Java](#) is a symbol that is used to perform operations. For example: +, -, *, / etc.

There are many types of operators in Java which are given below:

- Unary Operator,
- Arithmetic Operator,
- Shift Operator,
- Relational Operator,
- Bitwise Operator,
- Logical Operator,
- Ternary Operator and
- Assignment Operator.

Java Operator Precedence

Operator Type	Category	Precedence
Unary	postfix	<i>expr++ expr--</i>
	prefix	<i>++expr --expr +expr -expr ~ !</i>
Arithmetic	multiplicative	<i>* / %</i>
	additive	<i>+ -</i>
Shift	shift	<i><< >> >>></i>
Relational	comparison	<i>< > <= >= instanceof</i>
	equality	<i>== !=</i>
Bitwise	bitwise AND	<i>&</i>
	bitwise exclusive OR	<i>^</i>
	bitwise inclusive OR	<i> </i>

Logical	logical AND	& &
	logical OR	
Ternary	ternary	? :
Assignment	assignment	= += -= *= /= %= &= ^= = <<= >>= >>>=

Java Unary Operator

The Java unary operators require only one operand. Unary operators are used to perform various operations i.e.:

- incrementing/decrementing a value by one
- negating an expression
- inverting the value of a boolean

Java Unary Operator Example: ++ and --

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. **int** x=10;
4. System.out.println(x++);//10 (11)
5. System.out.println(++x);//12
6. System.out.println(x--);//12 (11)
7. System.out.println(--x);//10
8. }}

Output:

```
10
12
12
10
```

Java Unary Operator Example 2: ++ and --

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. **int** a=10;

```
4. int b=10;
5. System.out.println(a++ + ++a);//10+12=22
6. System.out.println(b++ + b++);//10+11=21
7.
8. }}
```

Output:

```
22
21
```

Java Unary Operator Example: ~ and !

```
1. public class OperatorExample{
2.     public static void main(String args[]){
3.         int a=10;
4.         int b=-10;
5.         boolean c=true;
6.         boolean d=false;
7.         System.out.println(~a);//-11 (minus of total positive value which starts from 0)
8.         System.out.println(~b);//9 (positive of total minus, positive starts from 0)
9.         System.out.println(!c);//false (opposite of boolean value)
10.        System.out.println(!d);//true
11.    }}
```

Output:

```
-11
9
false
true
```

Java Arithmetic Operators

Java arithmetic operators are used to perform addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. They act as basic mathematical operations.

Java Arithmetic Operator Example

```
1. public class OperatorExample{
2.     public static void main(String args[]){
3.         int a=10;
```

```
4. int b=5;
5. System.out.println(a+b);//15
6. System.out.println(a-b);//5
7. System.out.println(a*b);//50
8. System.out.println(a/b);//2
9. System.out.println(a%b);//0
10. }}
```

Output:

```
15
5
50
2
0
```

Java Arithmetic Operator Example: Expression

```
1. public class OperatorExample{
2. public static void main(String args[]){
3. System.out.println(10*10/5+3-1*4/2);
4. }}
```

Output:

```
21
```

Java Left Shift Operator

The Java left shift operator << is used to shift all of the bits in a value to the left side of a specified number of times.

Java Left Shift Operator Example

```
1. public class OperatorExample{
2. public static void main(String args[]){
3. System.out.println(10<<2);//10*2^2=10*4=40
4. System.out.println(10<<3);//10*2^3=10*8=80
5. System.out.println(20<<2);//20*2^2=20*4=80
6. System.out.println(15<<4);//15*2^4=15*16=240
7. }}
```

Output:


```
40
80
80
240
```

Java Right Shift Operator

The Java right shift operator `>>` is used to move the value of the left operand to right by the number of bits specified by the right operand.

Java Right Shift Operator Example

1. **public** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. System.out.println(10>>2);*//10/2^2=10/4=2*
4. System.out.println(20>>2);*//20/2^2=20/4=5*
5. System.out.println(20>>3);*//20/2^3=20/8=2*
6. }}

Output:

```
2
5
2
```

Java Shift Operator Example: `>>` vs `>>>`

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. *//For positive number, >> and >>> works same*
4. System.out.println(20>>2);
5. System.out.println(20>>>2);
6. *//For negative number, >>> changes parity bit (MSB) to 0*
7. System.out.println(-20>>2);
8. System.out.println(-20>>>2);
9. }}

Output:

```
5
5
-5
1073741819
```

Java AND Operator Example: Logical && and Bitwise &

The logical && operator doesn't check the second condition if the first condition is false. It checks the second condition only if the first one is true.

The bitwise & operator always checks both conditions whether first condition is true or false.

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. **int** a=10;
4. **int** b=5;
5. **int** c=20;
6. System.out.println(a<b&&a<c);*//false && true = false*
7. System.out.println(a<b&a<c);*//false & true = false*
8. }}

Output:

```
false
false
```

Java AND Operator Example: Logical && vs Bitwise &

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. **int** a=10;
4. **int** b=5;
5. **int** c=20;
6. System.out.println(a<b&&a++<c);*//false && true = false*
7. System.out.println(a);*//10 because second condition is not checked*
8. System.out.println(a<b&a++<c);*//false && true = false*
9. System.out.println(a);*//11 because second condition is checked*
10. }}

Output:

```
false
10
false
11
```

Java OR Operator Example: Logical || and Bitwise |

The logical || operator doesn't check the second condition if the first condition is true. It checks the second condition only if the first one is false.

The bitwise | operator always checks both conditions whether first condition is true or false.

```
1. public class OperatorExample{
2.     public static void main(String args[]){
3.         int a=10;
4.         int b=5;
5.         int c=20;
6.         System.out.println(a>b||a<c);//true || true = true
7.         System.out.println(a>b|a<c);//true | true = true
8.         //|| vs |
9.         System.out.println(a>b||a++<c);//true || true = true
10.        System.out.println(a);//10 because second condition is not checked
11.        System.out.println(a>b|a++<c);//true | true = true
12.        System.out.println(a);//11 because second condition is checked
13.    }
```

Output:

```
true
true
true
10
true
11
```

Java Ternary Operator

Java Ternary operator is used as one line replacement for if-then-else statement and used a lot in Java programming. It is the only conditional operator which takes three operands.

Java Ternary Operator Example

```
1. public class OperatorExample{
2.     public static void main(String args[]){
3.         int a=2;
```

4. **int** b=5;
5. **int** min=(a<b)?a:b;
6. System.out.println(min);
7. }}

Output:

2

Another Example:

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. **int** a=10;
4. **int** b=5;
5. **int** min=(a<b)?a:b;
6. System.out.println(min);
7. }}

Output:

5

Java Assignment Operator

Java assignment operator is one of the most common operators. It is used to assign the value on its right to the operand on its left.

Java Assignment Operator Example

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. **int** a=10;
4. **int** b=20;
5. a+=4;//a=a+4 (a=10+4)
6. b-=4;//b=b-4 (b=20-4)
7. System.out.println(a);
8. System.out.println(b);
9. }}

Output:

```
14  
16
```

Java Assignment Operator Example

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String[] args){
3. **int** a=10;
4. a+=3;//10+3
5. System.out.println(a);
6. a-=4;//13-4
7. System.out.println(a);
8. a*=2;//9*2
9. System.out.println(a);
10. a/=2;//18/2
11. System.out.println(a);
12. }}

Output:

```
13  
9  
18  
9
```

Java Assignment Operator Example: Adding short

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. **short** a=10;
4. **short** b=10;
5. //a+=b;//a=a+b internally so fine
6. a=a+b;//Compile time error because 10+10=20 now int
7. System.out.println(a);
8. }}

Output:

```
Compile time error
```

After type cast:

1. **public class** OperatorExample{
2. **public static void** main(String args[]){
3. **short** a=10;
4. **short** b=10;
5. a=(**short**)(a+b); //20 which is int now converted to short
6. System.out.println(a);
7. }}

Output:

20

Data Types in Java

Data types specify the different sizes and values that can be stored in the variable. There are two types of data types in Java:

1. **Primitive data types:** The primitive data types include boolean, char, byte, short, int, long, float and double.
2. **Non-primitive data types:** The non-primitive data types include [Classes](#), [Interfaces](#), and [Arrays](#).

Java Primitive Data Types

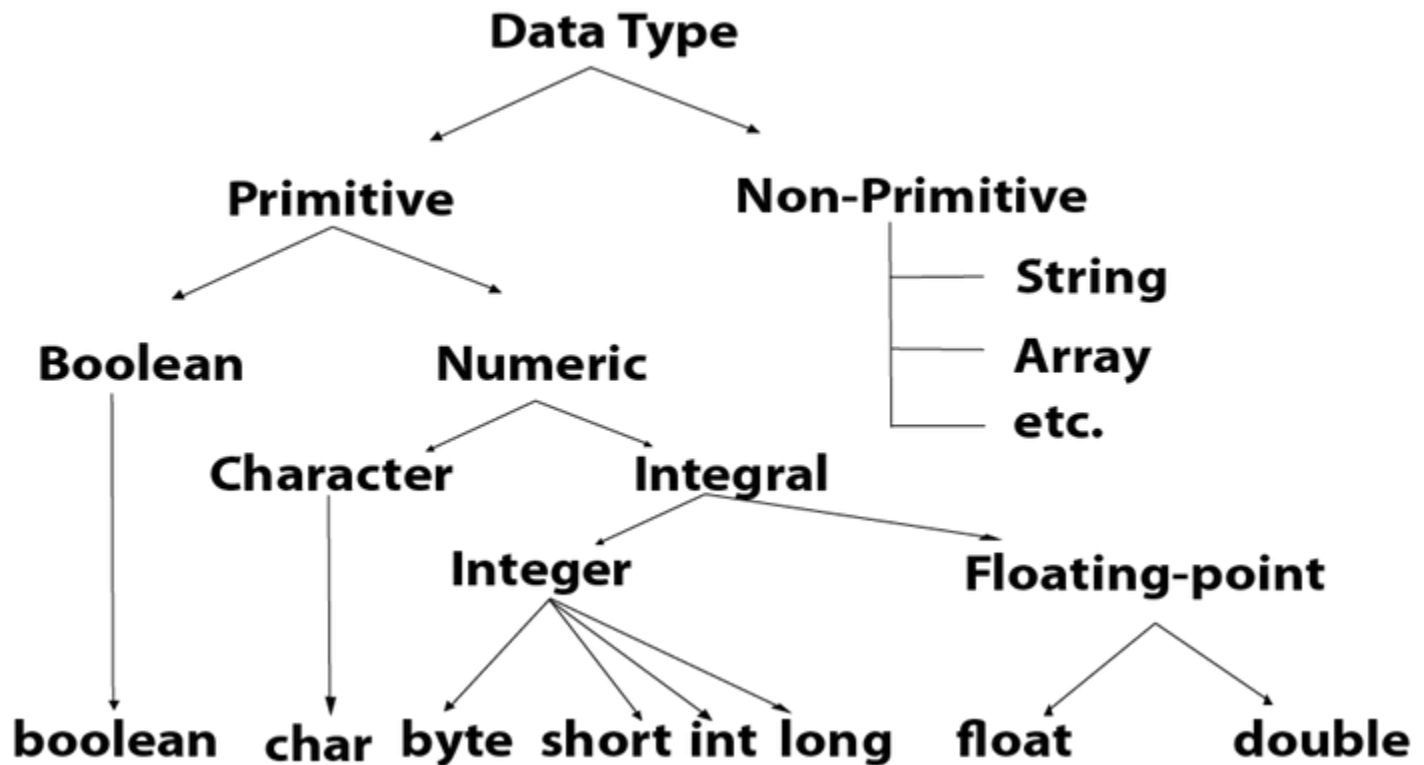
In Java language, primitive data types are the building blocks of data manipulation. These are the most basic data types available in [Java language](#).

Java is a statically-typed programming language. It means, all [variables](#) must be declared before its use. That is why we need to declare variable's type and name.

There are 8 types of primitive data types:

- boolean data type
- byte data type
- char data type
- short data type

- int data type
- long data type
- float data type
- double data type



Data Type	Default Value	Default size
boolean	false	1 bit
char	'\u0000'	2 byte
byte	0	1 byte
short	0	2 byte
int	0	4 byte

long	0L	8 byte
float	0.0f	4 byte
double	0.0d	8 byte

Boolean Data Type

The Boolean data type is used to store only two possible values: true and false. This data type is used for simple flags that track true/false conditions.

The Boolean data type specifies one bit of information, but its "size" can't be defined precisely.

Example:

1. Boolean one = **false**

Byte Data Type

The byte data type is an example of primitive data type. It is an 8-bit signed two's complement integer. Its value-range lies between -128 to 127 (inclusive). Its minimum value is -128 and maximum value is 127. Its default value is 0.

The byte data type is used to save memory in large arrays where the memory savings is most required. It saves space because a byte is 4 times smaller than an integer. It can also be used in place of "int" data type.

Example:

1. **byte** a = **10**, **byte** b = **-20**

Short Data Type

The short data type is a 16-bit signed two's complement integer. Its value-range lies between -32,768 to 32,767 (inclusive). Its minimum value is -32,768 and maximum value is 32,767. Its default value is 0.

The short data type can also be used to save memory just like byte data type. A short data type is 2 times smaller than an integer.

Example:

1. `short s = 10000, short r = -5000`

Int Data Type

The int data type is a 32-bit signed two's complement integer. Its value-range lies between - 2,147,483,648 (-2^{31}) to 2,147,483,647 ($2^{31} - 1$) (inclusive). Its minimum value is - 2,147,483,648 and maximum value is 2,147,483,647. Its default value is 0.

The int data type is generally used as a default data type for integral values unless if there is no problem about memory.

Example:

1. `int a = 100000, int b = -200000`

Long Data Type

The long data type is a 64-bit two's complement integer. Its value-range lies between - 9,223,372,036,854,775,808 (-2^{63}) to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807 ($2^{63} - 1$) (inclusive). Its minimum value is - 9,223,372,036,854,775,808 and maximum value is 9,223,372,036,854,775,807. Its default value is 0. The long data type is used when you need a range of values more than those provided by int.

Example:

1. `long a = 100000L, long b = -200000L`

Float Data Type

The float data type is a single-precision 32-bit IEEE 754 floating point. Its value range is unlimited. It is recommended to use a float (instead of double) if you need to save memory in large arrays of floating point numbers. The float data type should never be used for precise values, such as currency. Its default value is 0.0F.

Example:

1. `float f1 = 234.5f`

Double Data Type

The double data type is a double-precision 64-bit IEEE 754 floating point. Its value range is unlimited. The double data type is generally used for decimal values just like float. The double data type also should never be used for precise values, such as currency. Its default value is 0.0d.

Example:

1. `double d1 = 12.3`

Char Data Type

The char data type is a single 16-bit Unicode character. Its value-range lies between '\u0000' (or 0) to '\uffff' (or 65,535 inclusive). The char data type is used to store characters.

Example:

1. `char letterA = 'A'`

Why char uses 2 byte in java and what is \u0000 ?

It is because java uses Unicode system not ASCII code system. The \u0000 is the lowest range of Unicode system. To get detail explanation about Unicode visit next page.

Java Variables

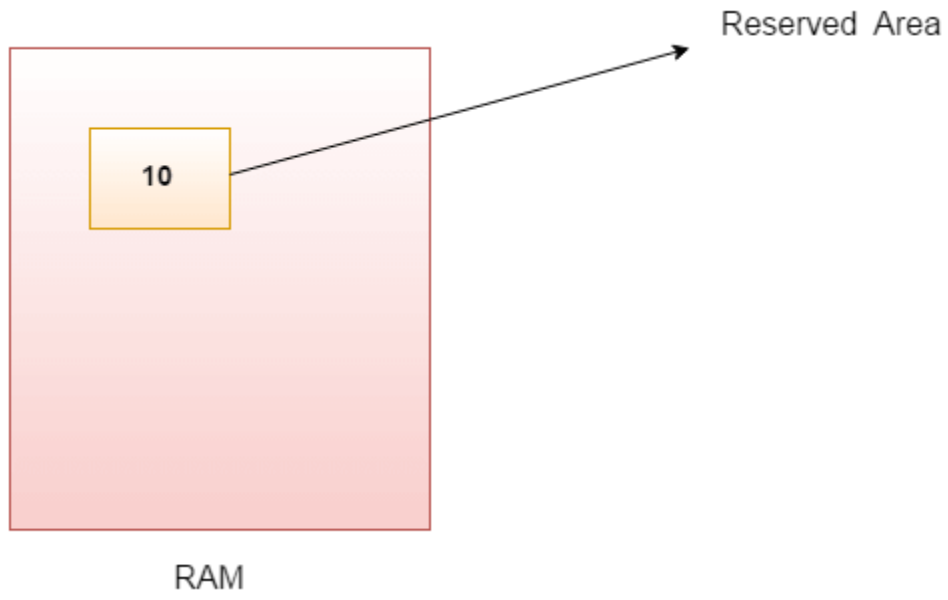
A variable is a container which holds the value while the [Java program](#) is executed. A variable is assigned with a data type.

Variable is a name of memory location. There are three types of variables in java: local, instance and static.

There are two types of [data types in Java](#): primitive and non-primitive.

Variable

A variable is the name of a reserved area allocated in memory. In other words, it is a name of the memory location. It is a combination of "vary + able" which means its value can be changed.



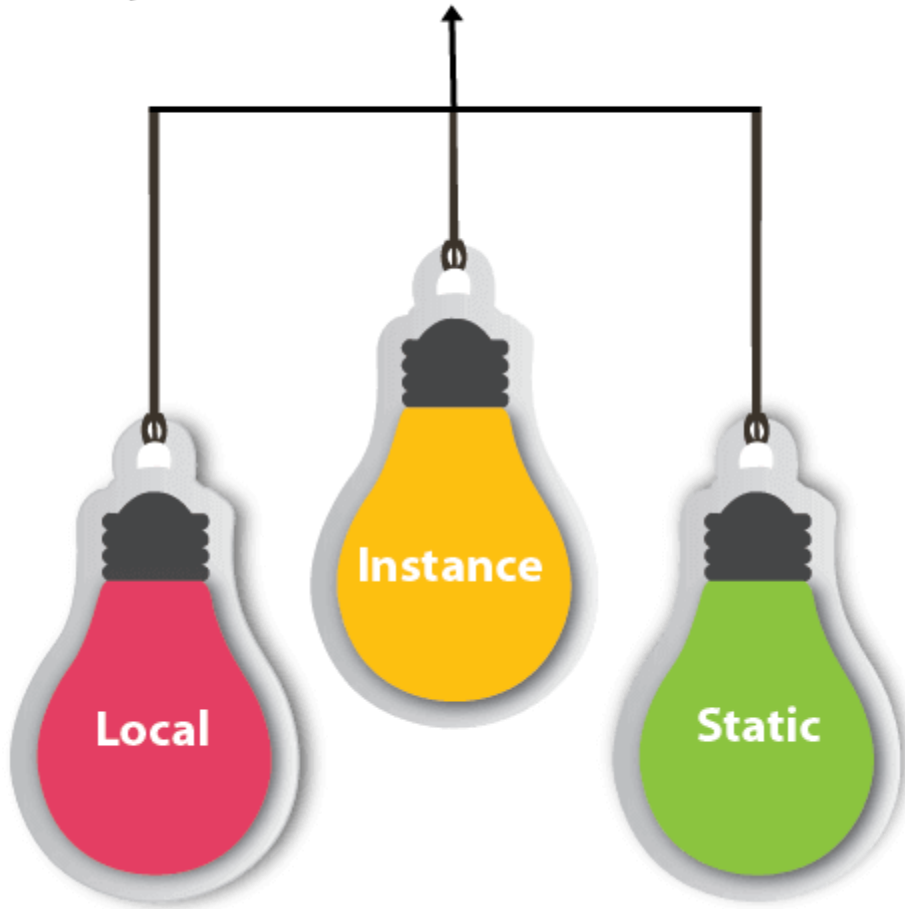
1. `int data=50;` // Here data is variable

Types of Variables

There are three types of variables in Java:

- local variable
- instance variable
- static variable

Types of Variables



1) Local Variable

A variable declared inside the body of the method is called local variable. You can use this variable only within that method and the other methods in the class aren't even aware that the variable exists.

A local variable cannot be defined with "static" keyword.

2) Instance Variable

A variable declared inside the class but outside the body of the method, is called an instance variable. It is not declared as static.

It is called an instance variable because its value is instance-specific and is not shared among instances.

3) Static variable

A variable that is declared as static is called a static variable. It cannot be local. You can create a single copy of the static variable and share it among all the instances of the class. Memory allocation for static variables happens only once when the class is loaded in the memory.

Example to understand the types of variables in java

```
1. public class A
2. {
3.     static int m=100;//static variable
4.     void method()
5.     {
6.         int n=90;//local variable
7.     }
8.     public static void main(String args[])
9.     {
10.        int data=50;//instance variable
11.    }
12. }//end of class
```

Java Variable Example: Add Two Numbers

```
1. public class Simple{
2.     public static void main(String[] args){
3.         int a=10;
4.         int b=10;
5.         int c=a+b;
6.         System.out.println(c);
7.     }
8. }
```

Output:

20

Java Variable Example: Widening

```
1. public class Simple{
2.     public static void main(String[] args){
```

3. **int** a=10;
4. **float** f=a;
5. System.out.println(a);
6. System.out.println(f);
7. }}

Output:

```
10
10.0
```

Java Variable Example: Narrowing (Typecasting)

1. **public class** Simple{
2. **public static void** main(String[] args){
3. **float** f=10.5f;
4. **//int a=f;//Compile time error**
5. **int** a=(**int**)f;
6. System.out.println(f);
7. System.out.println(a);
8. }}

Output:

```
10.5
10
```

Java Variable Example: Overflow

1. **class** Simple{
2. **public static void** main(String[] args){
3. **//Overflow**
4. **int** a=130;
5. **byte** b=(**byte**)a;
6. System.out.println(a);
7. System.out.println(b);
8. }}

Output:

```
130
-126
```

Java Variable Example: Adding Lower Type

1. **class** Simple{
2. **public static void** main(String[] args){
3. **byte** a=10;
4. **byte** b=10;
5. *//byte c=a+b;//Compile Time Error: because a+b=20 will be int*
6. **byte** c=(**byte**)(a+b);
7. System.out.println(c);
8. }}

Output:

20

Java Arrays

Normally, an array is a collection of similar type of elements which has contiguous memory location.

Java array is an object which contains elements of a similar data type. Additionally, The elements of an array are stored in a contiguous memory location. It is a data structure where we store similar elements. We can store only a fixed set of elements in a Java array.

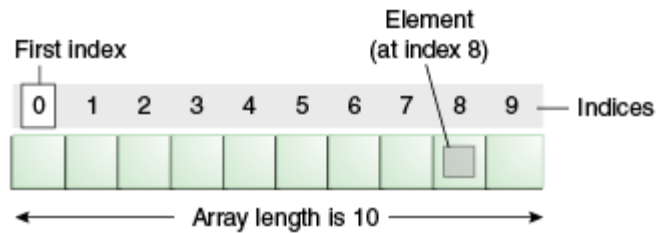
Array in Java is index-based, the first element of the array is stored at the 0th index, 2nd element is stored on 1st index and so on.

Unlike C/C++, we can get the length of the array using the length member. In C/C++, we need to use the sizeof operator.

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In Java, array is an object of a dynamically generated class. Java array inherits the Object class, and implements the Serializable as well as Cloneable interfaces. We can store primitive values or objects in an array in Java. Like C/C++, we can also create single dimensional or multidimensional arrays in Java.

Moreover, Java provides the feature of anonymous arrays which is not available in C/C++.



Advantages

- **Code Optimization:** It makes the code optimized, we can retrieve or sort the data efficiently.
- **Random access:** We can get any data located at an index position.

Disadvantages

- **Size Limit:** We can store only the fixed size of elements in the array. It doesn't grow its size at runtime. To solve this problem, collection framework is used in Java which grows automatically.

Types of Array in java

There are two types of array.

- Single Dimensional Array
- Multidimensional Array

Single Dimensional Array in Java

Syntax to Declare an Array in Java

1. `dataType[] arr;` (or)
2. `dataType []arr;` (or)
3. `dataType arr[];`

Instantiation of an Array in Java

1. `arrayRefVar=new datatype[size];`

Example of Java Array

Let's see the simple example of java array, where we are going to declare, instantiate, initialize and traverse an array.

1. `//Java Program to illustrate how to declare, instantiate, initialize`
2. `//and traverse the Java array.`
3. `class Testarray{`
4. `public static void main(String args[]){`
5. `int a[]=new int[5];//declaration and instantiation`
6. `a[0]=10;//initialization`
7. `a[1]=20;`
8. `a[2]=70;`
9. `a[3]=40;`
10. `a[4]=50;`
11. `//traversing array`
12. `for(int i=0;i<a.length;i++)//length is the property of array`
13. `System.out.println(a[i]);`
14. `}}`

Test it Now

Output:

```
10
20
70
40
50
```

Declaration, Instantiation and Initialization of Java Array

We can declare, instantiate and initialize the java array together by:

1. `int a[]={33,3,4,5};//declaration, instantiation and initialization`

Let's see the simple example to print this array.

1. `//Java Program to illustrate the use of declaration, instantiation`
2. `//and initialization of Java array in a single line`
3. `class Testarray1{`
4. `public static void main(String args[]){`
5. `int a[]={33,3,4,5};``//declaration, instantiation and initialization`
6. `//printing array`
7. `for(int i=0;i<a.length;i++){``//length is the property of array`
8. `System.out.println(a[i]);`
9. `}`

Test it Now

Output:

```
33
3
4
5
```

For-each Loop for Java Array

We can also print the Java array using **for-each loop**. The Java for-each loop prints the array elements one by one. It holds an array element in a variable, then executes the body of the loop.

The syntax of the for-each loop is given below:

1. `for(data_type variable:array){`
2. `//body of the loop`
3. `}`

Let us see the example of print the elements of Java array using the for-each loop.

1. `//Java Program to print the array elements using for-each loop`
2. `class Testarray1{`
3. `public static void main(String args[]){`
4. `int arr[]={33,3,4,5};`
5. `//printing array using for-each loop`
6. `for(int i:arr)`
7. `System.out.println(i);`

8. `}}`

Output:

```
33
3
4
5
```

Passing Array to a Method in Java

We can pass the java array to method so that we can reuse the same logic on any array.

Let's see the simple example to get the minimum number of an array using a method.

1. `//Java Program to demonstrate the way of passing an array`
2. `//to method.`
3. `class Testarray2{`
4. `//creating a method which receives an array as a parameter`
5. `static void min(int arr[]){`
6. `int min=arr[0];`
7. `for(int i=1;i<arr.length;i++)`
8. `if(min>arr[i])`
9. `min=arr[i];`
10.
11. `System.out.println(min);`
12. `}`
13.
14. `public static void main(String args[]){`
15. `int a[]={33,3,4,5};//declaring and initializing an array`
16. `min(a);//passing array to method`
17. `}}`

Test it Now

Output:

```
3
```

Anonymous Array in Java

Java supports the feature of an anonymous array, so you don't need to declare the array while passing an array to the method.

1. `//Java Program to demonstrate the way of passing an anonymous array`
2. `//to method.`
3. `public class` TestAnonymousArray{
4. `//creating a method which receives an array as a parameter`
5. `static void` printArray(`int` arr[]){
6. `for(int` i=0;i<arr.length;i++)
7. `System.out.println(arr[i]);`
8. `}`
- 9.
10. `public static void` main(String args[]){
11. `printArray(new int[]{10,22,44,66});``//passing anonymous array to method`
12. `}`

Test it Now

Output:

```
10
22
44
66
```

Returning Array from the Method

We can also return an array from the method in Java.

1. `//Java Program to return an array from the method`
2. `class` TestReturnArray{
3. `//creating method which returns an array`
4. `static int[]` get(){
5. `return new int[]{10,30,50,90,60};`
6. `}`
- 7.
8. `public static void` main(String args[]){
9. `//calling method which returns an array`

10. **int** arr[]=get();
11. //printing the values of an array
12. **for**(**int** i=0;i<arr.length;i++)
13. System.out.println(arr[i]);
14. }}

Test it Now

Output:

```
10
30
50
90
60
```

ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException

The Java Virtual Machine (JVM) throws an `ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException` if length of the array is negative, equal to the array size or greater than the array size while traversing the array.

1. //Java Program to demonstrate the case of
2. //ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException in a Java Array.
3. **public class** TestArrayException{
4. **public static void** main(String args[]){
5. **int** arr[]={50,60,70,80};
6. **for**(**int** i=0;i<=arr.length;i++){
7. System.out.println(arr[i]);
8. }
9. }}

Test it Now

Output:

```
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 4
    at TestArrayException.main(TestArrayException.java:5)
50
60
70
80
```

Multidimensional Array in Java

In such case, data is stored in row and column based index (also known as matrix form).

Syntax to Declare Multidimensional Array in Java

1. `dataType[][] arrayRefVar;` (or)
2. `dataType [][]arrayRefVar;` (or)
3. `dataType arrayRefVar[][];` (or)
4. `dataType []arrayRefVar[];`

Example to instantiate Multidimensional Array in Java

1. `int[][] arr=new int[3][3];`//3 row and 3 column

Example to initialize Multidimensional Array in Java

1. `arr[0][0]=1;`
2. `arr[0][1]=2;`
3. `arr[0][2]=3;`
4. `arr[1][0]=4;`
5. `arr[1][1]=5;`
6. `arr[1][2]=6;`
7. `arr[2][0]=7;`
8. `arr[2][1]=8;`
9. `arr[2][2]=9;`

Example of Multidimensional Java Array

Let's see the simple example to declare, instantiate, initialize and print the 2Dimensional array.

1. `//Java Program to illustrate the use of multidimensional array`
2. `class Testarray3{`
3. `public static void main(String args[]){`
4. `//declaring and initializing 2D array`
5. `int arr[][]={{1,2,3},{2,4,5},{4,4,5}};`
6. `//printing 2D array`

```

7.  for(int i=0;i<3;i++){
8.  for(int j=0;j<3;j++){
9.      System.out.print(arr[i][j]+" ");
10. }
11. System.out.println();
12. }
13. }}

```

Test it Now

Output:

```

1 2 3
2 4 5
4 4 5

```

Jagged Array in Java

If we are creating odd number of columns in a 2D array, it is known as a jagged array. In other words, it is an array of arrays with different number of columns.

```

1. //Java Program to illustrate the jagged array
2. class TestJaggedArray{
3.     public static void main(String[] args){
4.         //declaring a 2D array with odd columns
5.         int arr[][] = new int[3][];
6.         arr[0] = new int[3];
7.         arr[1] = new int[4];
8.         arr[2] = new int[2];
9.         //initializing a jagged array
10.        int count = 0;
11.        for (int i=0; i<arr.length; i++)
12.            for(int j=0; j<arr[i].length; j++)
13.                arr[i][j] = count++;
14.
15.        //printing the data of a jagged array
16.        for (int i=0; i<arr.length; i++){
17.            for (int j=0; j<arr[i].length; j++){
18.                System.out.print(arr[i][j]+" ");

```

```
19.     }
20.     System.out.println();//new line
21.     }
22. }
23. }
```

Test it Now

Output:

```
0 1 2
3 4 5 6
7 8
```

What is the class name of Java array?

In Java, an array is an object. For array object, a proxy class is created whose name can be obtained by `getClass().getName()` method on the object.

```
1. //Java Program to get the class name of array in Java
2. class Testarray4{
3.     public static void main(String args[]){
4.         //declaration and initialization of array
5.         int arr[]={4,4,5};
6.         //getting the class name of Java array
7.         Class c=arr.getClass();
8.         String name=c.getName();
9.         //printing the class name of Java array
10.        System.out.println(name);
11.
12.    }}
```

Test it Now

Output:

```
I
```


Copying a Java Array

We can copy an array to another by the `arraycopy()` method of `System` class.

Syntax of `arraycopy` method

1. **public static void** `arraycopy`(
2. Object `src`, **int** `srcPos`, Object `dest`, **int** `destPos`, **int** `length`
3.)

Example of Copying an Array in Java

1. `//Java Program to copy a source array into a destination array in Java`
2. **class** `TestArrayCopyDemo` {
3. **public static void** `main`(`String[] args`) {
4. `//declaring a source array`
5. **char**[] `copyFrom` = { `'d'`, `'e'`, `'c'`, `'a'`, `'f'`, `'f'`, `'e'`,
6. `'i'`, `'n'`, `'a'`, `'t'`, `'e'`, `'d'` };
7. `//declaring a destination array`
8. **char**[] `copyTo` = **new char**[7];
9. `//copying array using System.arraycopy() method`
10. `System.arraycopy(copyFrom, 2, copyTo, 0, 7);`
11. `//printing the destination array`
12. `System.out.println(String.valueOf(copyTo));`
13. }
14. }

Test it Now

Output:

```
caffein
```

Cloning an Array in Java

Since, Java array implements the `Cloneable` interface, we can create the clone of the Java array. If we create the clone of a single-dimensional array, it creates the deep copy of the Java array. It means, it will copy the actual value. But, if we create the clone of a multidimensional array, it creates the shallow copy of the Java array which means it copies the references.

```
1. //Java Program to clone the array
2. class Testarray1{
3.     public static void main(String args[]){
4.         int arr[]={33,3,4,5};
5.         System.out.println("Printing original array:");
6.         for(int i:arr)
7.             System.out.println(i);
8.
9.         System.out.println("Printing clone of the array:");
10.        int carr[]=arr.clone();
11.        for(int i:carr)
12.            System.out.println(i);
13.
14.        System.out.println("Are both equal?");
15.        System.out.println(arr==carr);
16.
17.    }}
```

Output:

```
Printing original array:
33
3
4
5
Printing clone of the array:
33
3
4
5
Are both equal?
false
```

Addition of 2 Matrices in Java

Let's see a simple example that adds two matrices.

```
1. //Java Program to demonstrate the addition of two matrices in Java
2. class Testarray5{
3.     public static void main(String args[]){
4.         //creating two matrices
```

```
5. int a[][]={{1,3,4},{3,4,5}};
6. int b[][]={{1,3,4},{3,4,5}};
7.
8. //creating another matrix to store the sum of two matrices
9. int c[][]=new int[2][3];
10.
11. //adding and printing addition of 2 matrices
12. for(int i=0;i<2;i++){
13. for(int j=0;j<3;j++){
14. c[i][j]=a[i][j]+b[i][j];
15. System.out.print(c[i][j]+" ");
16. }
17. System.out.println();//new line
18. }
19.
20. }}
```

Test it Now

Output:

```
2 6 8
6 8 10
```

Multiplication of 2 Matrices in Java

In the case of matrix multiplication, a one-row element of the first matrix is multiplied by all the columns of the second matrix which can be understood by the image given below.

$$\text{Matrix 1} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{Bmatrix} \quad \text{Matrix 2} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{Matrix 1} \\ * \\ \text{Matrix 2} \end{matrix} \begin{Bmatrix} 1*1+1*2+1*3 & 1*1+1*2+1*3 & 1*1+1*2+1*3 \\ 2*1+2*2+2*3 & 2*1+2*2+2*3 & 2*1+2*2+2*3 \\ 3*1+3*2+3*3 & 3*1+3*2+3*3 & 3*1+3*2+3*3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{Matrix 1} \\ * \\ \text{Matrix 2} \end{matrix} \begin{Bmatrix} 6 & 6 & 6 \\ 12 & 12 & 12 \\ 18 & 18 & 18 \end{Bmatrix} \quad \text{JavaTpoint}$$

Let's see a simple example to multiply two matrices of 3 rows and 3 columns.

```

1. //Java Program to multiply two matrices
2. public class MatrixMultiplicationExample{
3.     public static void main(String args[]){
4.         //creating two matrices
5.         int a[][]={{1,1,1},{2,2,2},{3,3,3}};
6.         int b[][]={{1,1,1},{2,2,2},{3,3,3}};
7.
8.         //creating another matrix to store the multiplication of two matrices
9.         int c[][]=new int[3][3]; //3 rows and 3 columns
10.
11.        //multiplying and printing multiplication of 2 matrices
12.        for(int i=0;i<3;i++){
13.            for(int j=0;j<3;j++){
14.                c[i][j]=0;
15.                for(int k=0;k<3;k++){
16.                    {
17.                        c[i][j]+=a[i][k]*b[k][j];

```

```
18. }//end of k loop
19. System.out.print(c[i][j]+" "); //printing matrix element
20. }//end of j loop
21. System.out.println();//new line
22. }
23. }}
```

Output:

```
6 6 6
12 12 12
18 18 18
```

Java Control Statements | Control Flow in Java

Java compiler executes the code from top to bottom. The statements in the code are executed according to the order in which they appear. However, [Java](#) provides statements that can be used to control the flow of Java code. Such statements are called control flow statements. It is one of the fundamental features of Java, which provides a smooth flow of program.

Java provides three types of control flow statements.

1. Decision Making statements
 - if statements
 - switch statement
2. Loop statements
 - do while loop
 - while loop
 - for loop
 - for-each loop
3. Jump statements
 - break statement
 - continue statement

Decision-Making statements:

As the name suggests, decision-making statements decide which statement to execute and when. Decision-making statements evaluate the Boolean expression and control the program flow depending upon the result of the condition provided. There are two types of decision-making statements in Java, i.e., If statement and switch statement.

1) If Statement:

In Java, the "if" statement is used to evaluate a condition. The control of the program is diverted depending upon the specific condition. The condition of the If statement gives a Boolean value, either true or false. In Java, there are four types of if-statements given below.

1. Simple if statement
2. if-else statement
3. if-else-if ladder
4. Nested if-statement

Let's understand the if-statements one by one.

1) Simple if statement:

It is the most basic statement among all control flow statements in Java. It evaluates a Boolean expression and enables the program to enter a block of code if the expression evaluates to true.

Syntax of if statement is given below.

1. **if**(condition) {
2. statement 1; *//executes when condition is true*
3. }

Consider the following example in which we have used the **if** statement in the java code.

Student.java

Student.java

1. **public class** Student {
2. **public static void** main(String[] args) {
3. **int** x = 10;
4. **int** y = 12;
5. **if**(x+y > 20) {
6. System.out.println("x + y is greater than 20");
7. }
8. }
9. }

Output:

```
x + y is greater than 20
```

2) if-else statement

The if-else statement is an extension to the if-statement, which uses another block of code, i.e., else block. The else block is executed if the condition of the if-block is evaluated as false.

Syntax:

1. **if**(condition) {
2. statement 1; //executes when condition is true
3. }
4. **else**{
5. statement 2; //executes when condition is false
6. }

Consider the following example.

Student.java

1. **public class** Student {
2. **public static void** main(String[] args) {
3. **int** x = 10;
4. **int** y = 12;
5. **if**(x+y < 10) {
6. System.out.println("x + y is less than 10");

```
7. } else {  
8. System.out.println("x + y is greater than 20");  
9. }  
10. }  
11. }
```

Output:

```
x + y is greater than 20
```

3) if-else-if ladder:

The if-else-if statement contains the if-statement followed by multiple else-if statements. In other words, we can say that it is the chain of if-else statements that create a decision tree where the program may enter in the block of code where the condition is true. We can also define an else statement at the end of the chain.

Syntax of if-else-if statement is given below.

```
1. if(condition 1) {  
2. statement 1; //executes when condition 1 is true  
3. }  
4. else if(condition 2) {  
5. statement 2; //executes when condition 2 is true  
6. }  
7. else {  
8. statement 2; //executes when all the conditions are false  
9. }
```

Consider the following example.

Student.java

```
1. public class Student {  
2. public static void main(String[] args) {  
3. String city = "Delhi";  
4. if(city == "Meerut") {  
5. System.out.println("city is meerut");  
6. }else if (city == "Noida") {
```



```
7. System.out.println("city is noida");
8. }else if(city == "Agra") {
9. System.out.println("city is agra");
10. }else {
11. System.out.println(city);
12. }
13. }
14. }
```

Output:

```
Delhi
```

4. Nested if-statement

In nested if-statements, the if statement can contain a **if** or **if-else** statement inside another if or else-if statement.

Syntax of Nested if-statement is given below.

```
1. if(condition 1) {
2. statement 1; //executes when condition 1 is true
3. if(condition 2) {
4. statement 2; //executes when condition 2 is true
5. }
6. else{
7. statement 2; //executes when condition 2 is false
8. }
9. }
```

Consider the following example.

Student.java

```
1. public class Student {
2. public static void main(String[] args) {
3. String address = "Delhi, India";
4.
```

```
5. if(address.endsWith("India")) {
6. if(address.contains("Meerut")) {
7. System.out.println("Your city is Meerut");
8. }else if(address.contains("Noida")) {
9. System.out.println("Your city is Noida");
10. }else {
11. System.out.println(address.split(",")[0]);
12. }
13. }else {
14. System.out.println("You are not living in India");
15. }
16. }
17. }
```

Output:

```
Delhi
```

Switch Statement:

In Java, Switch statements are similar to if-else-if statements. The switch statement contains multiple blocks of code called cases and a single case is executed based on the variable which is being switched. The switch statement is easier to use instead of if-else-if statements. It also enhances the readability of the program.

Points to be noted about switch statement:

- The case variables can be int, short, byte, char, or enumeration. String type is also supported since version 7 of Java
- Cases cannot be duplicate
- Default statement is executed when any of the case doesn't match the value of expression. It is optional.
- Break statement terminates the switch block when the condition is satisfied. It is optional, if not used, next case is executed.
- While using switch statements, we must notice that the case expression will be of the same type as the variable. However, it will also be a constant value.

The syntax to use the switch statement is given below.

```
1. switch (expression){  
2.     case value1:  
3.         statement1;  
4.     break;  
5.     .  
6.     .  
7.     .  
8.     case valueN:  
9.         statementN;  
10.    break;  
11.    default:  
12.    default statement;  
13. }
```

Consider the following example to understand the flow of the switch statement.

Student.java

```
1. public class Student implements Cloneable {  
2.    public static void main(String[] args) {  
3.        int num = 2;  
4.        switch (num){  
5.            case 0:  
6.                System.out.println("number is 0");  
7.                break;  
8.            case 1:  
9.                System.out.println("number is 1");  
10.           break;  
11.           default:  
12.               System.out.println(num);  
13.        }  
14.    }  
15. }
```

Output:

2

While using switch statements, we must notice that the case expression will be of the same type as the variable. However, it will also be a constant value. The switch permits only int, string, and Enum type variables to be used.

Loop Statements

In programming, sometimes we need to execute the block of code repeatedly while some condition evaluates to true. However, loop statements are used to execute the set of instructions in a repeated order. The execution of the set of instructions depends upon a particular condition.

In Java, we have three types of loops that execute similarly. However, there are differences in their syntax and condition checking time.

1. for loop
2. while loop
3. do-while loop

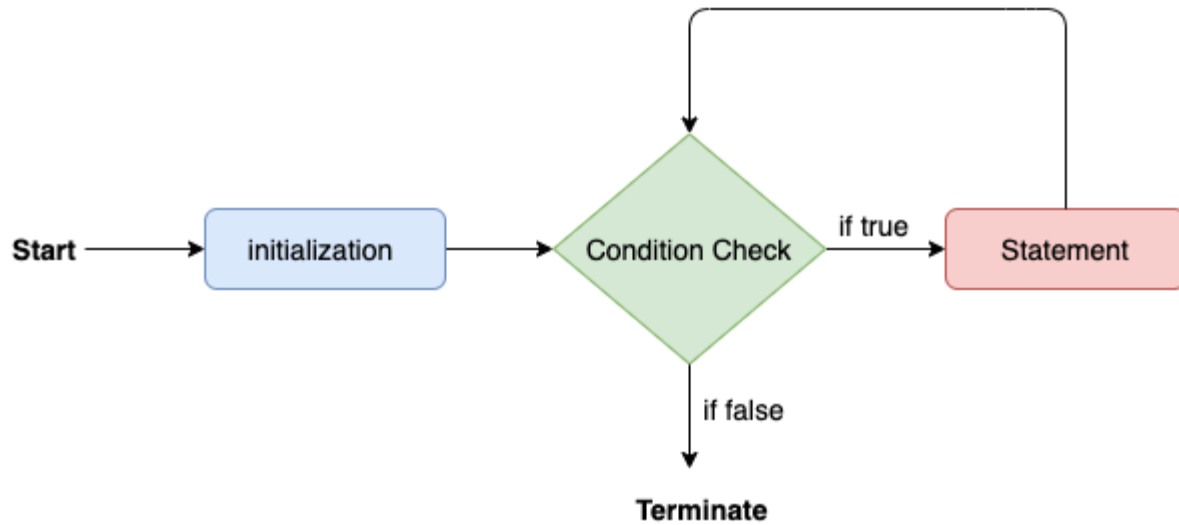
Let's understand the loop statements one by one.

Java for loop

In Java, [for loop](#) is similar to [C](#) and [C++](#). It enables us to initialize the loop variable, check the condition, and increment/decrement in a single line of code. We use the for loop only when we exactly know the number of times, we want to execute the block of code.

1. **for**(initialization, condition, increment/decrement) {
2. *//block of statements*
3. }

The flow chart for the for-loop is given below.



Consider the following example to understand the proper functioning of the for loop in java.

Calculation.java

```
1. public class Calculattion {
2.     public static void main(String[] args) {
3.         // TODO Auto-generated method stub
4.         int sum = 0;
5.         for(int j = 1; j<=10; j++) {
6.             sum = sum + j;
7.         }
8.         System.out.println("The sum of first 10 natural numbers is " + sum);
9.     }
10. }
```

Output:

```
The sum of first 10 natural numbers is 55
```

Java for-each loop

Java provides an enhanced for loop to traverse the data structures like array or collection. In the for-each loop, we don't need to update the loop variable. The syntax to use the for-each loop in java is given below.

1. **for**(data_type var : array_name/collection_name){
2. //statements
3. }

Consider the following example to understand the functioning of the for-each loop in Java.

Calculation.java

1. **public class** Calculation {
2. **public static void** main(String[] args) {
3. // TODO Auto-generated method stub
4. String[] names = {"Java", "C", "C++", "Python", "JavaScript"};
5. System.out.println("Printing the content of the array names:\n");
6. **for**(String name:names) {
7. System.out.println(name);
8. }
9. }
10. }

Output:

```
Printing the content of the array names:
Java
C
C++
Python
JavaScript
```

Java while loop

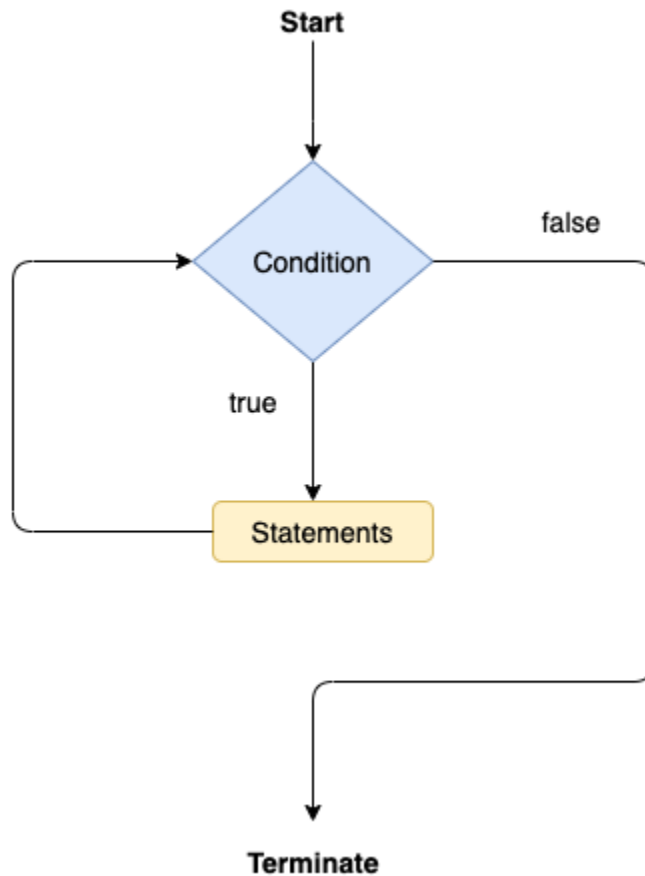
The while loop is also used to iterate over the number of statements multiple times. However, if we don't know the number of iterations in advance, it is recommended to use a while loop. Unlike for loop, the initialization and increment/decrement doesn't take place inside the loop statement in while loop.

It is also known as the entry-controlled loop since the condition is checked at the start of the loop. If the condition is true, then the loop body will be executed; otherwise, the statements after the loop will be executed.

The syntax of the while loop is given below.

1. **while**(condition){
2. //looping statements
3. }

The flow chart for the while loop is given in the following image.



Consider the following example.

Calculation .java

1. **public class** Calculation {
2. **public static void** main(String[] args) {
3. // TODO Auto-generated method stub
4. **int** i = 0;
5. System.out.println("Printing the list of first 10 even numbers \n");
6. **while**(i<=10) {
7. System.out.println(i);

```
8. i = i + 2;  
9. }  
10. }  
11. }
```

Output:

```
Printing the list of first 10 even numbers  
  
0  
2  
4  
6  
8  
10
```

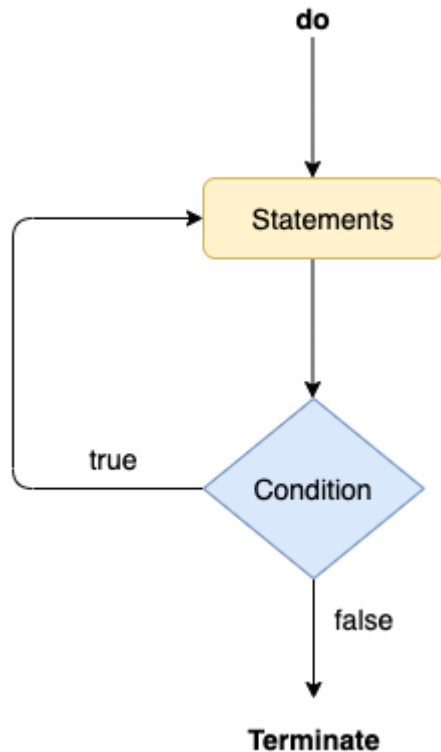
Java do-while loop

The do-while loop checks the condition at the end of the loop after executing the loop statements. When the number of iteration is not known and we have to execute the loop at least once, we can use do-while loop.

It is also known as the exit-controlled loop since the condition is not checked in advance. The syntax of the do-while loop is given below.

1. **do**
2. {
3. //statements
4. } **while** (condition);

The flow chart of the do-while loop is given in the following image.



Consider the following example to understand the functioning of the do-while loop in Java.

Calculation.java

```
1. public class Calculation {  
2.     public static void main(String[] args) {  
3.         // TODO Auto-generated method stub  
4.         int i = 0;  
5.         System.out.println("Printing the list of first 10 even numbers \n");  
6.         do {  
7.             System.out.println(i);  
8.             i = i + 2;  
9.         }while(i<=10);  
10.    }  
11. }
```

Output:

```
Printing the list of first 10 even numbers
```

```
0
2
4
6
8
10
```

Jump Statements

Jump statements are used to transfer the control of the program to the specific statements. In other words, jump statements transfer the execution control to the other part of the program. There are two types of jump statements in Java, i.e., break and continue.

Java break statement

As the name suggests, the [break statement](#) is used to break the current flow of the program and transfer the control to the next statement outside a loop or switch statement. However, it breaks only the inner loop in the case of the nested loop.

The break statement cannot be used independently in the Java program, i.e., it can only be written inside the loop or switch statement.

The break statement example with for loop

Consider the following example in which we have used the break statement with the for loop.

BreakExample.java

```
1. public class BreakExample {
2.
3.     public static void main(String[] args) {
4.         // TODO Auto-generated method stub
5.         for(int i = 0; i <= 10; i++) {
6.             System.out.println(i);
7.             if(i==6) {
8.                 break;
9.             }
10.        }
11.    }
```

12. }

Output:

```
0
1
2
3
4
5
6
```

break statement example with labeled for loop

Calculation.java

```
1. public class Calculation {
2.
3.     public static void main(String[] args) {
4.         // TODO Auto-generated method stub
5.         a:
6.         for(int i = 0; i<= 10; i++) {
7.             b:
8.             for(int j = 0; j<=15;j++) {
9.                 c:
10.                for (int k = 0; k<=20; k++) {
11.                    System.out.println(k);
12.                    if(k==5) {
13.                        break a;
14.                    }
15.                }
16.            }
17.        }
18.    }
19. }
20.
21.
22. }
```

Output:

```
0
1
2
3
4
5
```

Java continue statement

Unlike break statement, the [continue statement](#) doesn't break the loop, whereas, it skips the specific part of the loop and jumps to the next iteration of the loop immediately.

Consider the following example to understand the functioning of the continue statement in Java.

```
1. public class ContinueExample {
2.
3.     public static void main(String[] args) {
4.         // TODO Auto-generated method stub
5.
6.         for(int i = 0; i <= 2; i++) {
7.
8.             for (int j = i; j <= 5; j++) {
9.
10.                if(j == 4) {
11.                    continue;
12.                }
13.                System.out.println(j);
14.            }
15.        }
16.    }
17.
18. }
```

Output:

```
0
1
2
```

3
5
1
2
3
5
2
3
5

Method in Java

In general, a **method** is a way to perform some task. Similarly, the **method in Java** is a collection of instructions that performs a specific task. It provides the reusability of code. We can also easily modify code using **methods**. In this section, we will learn **what is a method in Java, types of methods, method declaration, and how to call a method in Java**.

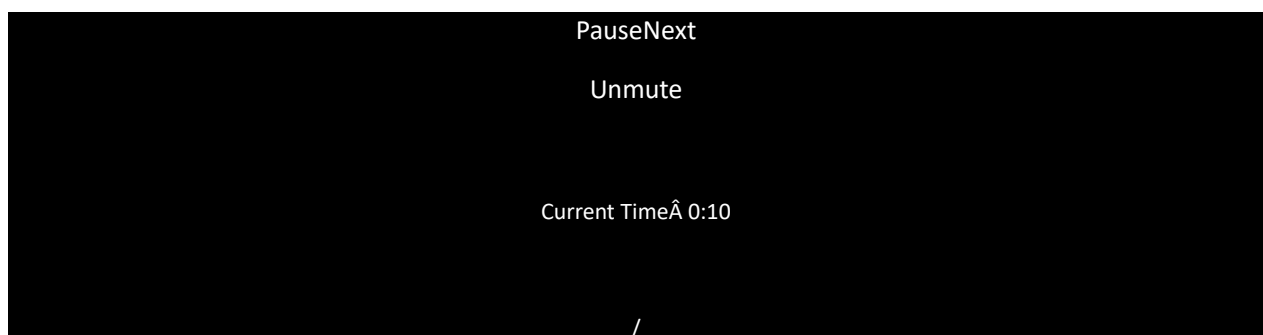
What is a method in Java?

A **method** is a block of code or collection of statements or a set of code grouped together to perform a certain task or operation. It is used to achieve the **reusability** of code. We write a method once and use it many times. We do not require to write code again and again. It also provides the **easy modification** and **readability** of code, just by adding or removing a chunk of code. The method is executed only when we call or invoke it.

The most important method in Java is the **main()** method. If you want to read more about the main() method, go through the link <https://www.javatpoint.com/java-main-method>.

Method Declaration

The method declaration provides information about method attributes, such as visibility, return-type, name, and arguments. It has six components that are known as **method header**, as we have shown in the following figure.



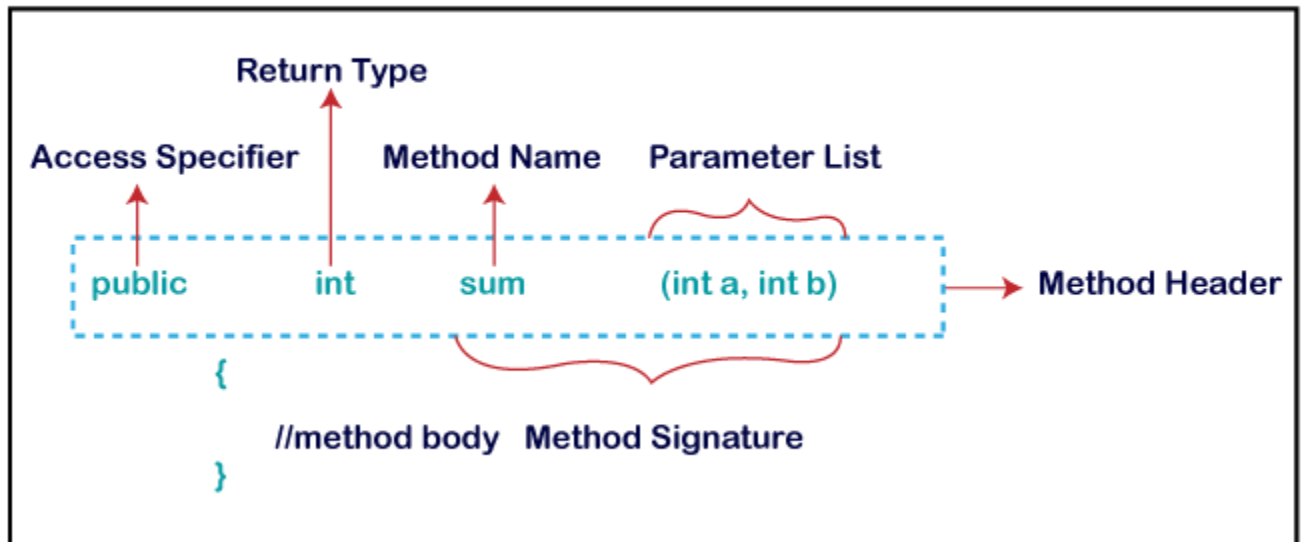
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Method Declaration



Method Signature: Every method has a method signature. It is a part of the method declaration. It includes the **method name** and **parameter list**.

Access Specifier: Access specifier or modifier is the access type of the method. It specifies the visibility of the method. Java provides **four** types of access specifier:

- **Public:** The method is accessible by all classes when we use public specifier in our application.
- **Private:** When we use a private access specifier, the method is accessible only in the classes in which it is defined.
- **Protected:** When we use protected access specifier, the method is accessible within the same package or subclasses in a different package.
- **Default:** When we do not use any access specifier in the method declaration, Java uses default access specifier by default. It is visible only from the same package only.

Return Type: Return type is a data type that the method returns. It may have a primitive data type, object, collection, void, etc. If the method does not return anything, we use void keyword.

Method Name: It is a unique name that is used to define the name of a method. It must be corresponding to the functionality of the method. Suppose, if we are creating a method for subtraction of two numbers, the method name must be **subtraction()**. A method is invoked by its name.

Parameter List: It is the list of parameters separated by a comma and enclosed in the pair of parentheses. It contains the data type and variable name. If the method has no parameter, left the parentheses blank.

Method Body: It is a part of the method declaration. It contains all the actions to be performed. It is enclosed within the pair of curly braces.

Naming a Method

While defining a method, remember that the method name must be a **verb** and start with a **lowercase** letter. If the method name has more than two words, the first name must be a verb followed by adjective or noun. In the multi-word method name, the first letter of each word must be in **uppercase** except the first word. For example:

Single-word method name: sum(), area()

Multi-word method name: areaOfCircle(), stringComparision()

It is also possible that a method has the same name as another method name in the same class, it is known as **method overloading**.

Types of Method

There are two types of methods in Java:

- Predefined Method
- User-defined Method

Predefined Method

In Java, predefined methods are the method that is already defined in the Java class libraries is known as predefined methods. It is also known as the **standard library method** or **built-in method**. We can directly use these methods just by calling them in the program at any point. Some pre-defined methods are **length()**, **equals()**, **compareTo()**, **sqrt()**, etc. When we call any of the predefined methods in our program, a series of codes related to the corresponding method runs in the background that is already stored in the library.

Each and every predefined method is defined inside a class. Such as **print()** method is defined in the **java.io.PrintStream** class. It prints the statement that we write inside the method. For example, **print("Java")**, it prints Java on the console.

Let's see an example of the predefined method.

Demo.java

```
1. public class Demo
2. {
3.     public static void main(String[] args)
4.     {
5.         // using the max() method of Math class
6.         System.out.print("The maximum number is: " + Math.max(9,7));
7.     }
8. }
```

Output:

```
The maximum number is: 9
```

In the above example, we have used three predefined methods **main()**, **print()**, and **max()**. We have used these methods directly without declaration because they are predefined. The **print()** method is a method of **PrintStream** class that prints the result on the console. The **max()** method is a method of the **Math** class that returns the greater of two numbers.

We can also see the method signature of any predefined method by using the link <https://docs.oracle.com/>. When we go through the link and see the **max()** method signature, we find the following:

max
<pre>public static int max(int a, int b)</pre>
Returns the greater of two int values. same value.
Parameters:
a - an argument.
b - another argument.
Returns:
the larger of a and b.

In the above method signature, we see that the method signature has access specifier **public**, non-access modifier **static**, return type **int**, method name **max()**, parameter list (**int a, int b**). In the above example, instead of defining the method, we have just invoked the method. This is the advantage of a predefined method. It makes programming less complicated.

Similarly, we can also see the method signature of the print() method.

User-defined Method

The method written by the user or programmer is known as a **user-defined** method. These methods are modified according to the requirement.

How to Create a User-defined Method

Let's create a user defined method that checks the number is even or odd. First, we will define the method.

1. `//user defined method`
2. `public static void findEvenOdd(int num)`
3. `{`
4. `//method body`
5. `if(num%2==0)`
6. `System.out.println(num+" is even");`
7. `else`

```
8. System.out.println(num+" is odd");
9. }
```

We have defined the above method named `findevenodd()`. It has a parameter **num** of type `int`. The method does not return any value that's why we have used `void`. The method body contains the steps to check the number is even or odd. If the number is even, it prints the number **is even**, else prints the number **is odd**.

How to Call or Invoke a User-defined Method

Once we have defined a method, it should be called. The calling of a method in a program is simple. When we call or invoke a user-defined method, the program control transfer to the called method.

```
1. import java.util.Scanner;
2. public class EvenOdd
3. {
4.     public static void main (String args[])
5.     {
6.         //creating Scanner class object
7.         Scanner scan=new Scanner(System.in);
8.         System.out.print("Enter the number: ");
9.         //reading value from the user
10.        int num=scan.nextInt();
11.        //method calling
12.        findEvenOdd(num);
13.    }
```

In the above code snippet, as soon as the compiler reaches at line **findEvenOdd(num)**, the control transfer to the method and gives the output accordingly.

Let's combine both snippets of codes in a single program and execute it.

EvenOdd.java

```
1. import java.util.Scanner;
2. public class EvenOdd
```

```
3. {
4.  public static void main (String args[])
5.  {
6.      //creating Scanner class object
7.      Scanner scan=new Scanner(System.in);
8.      System.out.print("Enter the number: ");
9.      //reading value from user
10.     int num=scan.nextInt();
11.     //method calling
12.     findEvenOdd(num);
13. }
14. //user defined method
15. public static void findEvenOdd(int num)
16. {
17.     //method body
18.     if(num%2==0)
19.     System.out.println(num+" is even");
20. else
21.     System.out.println(num+" is odd");
22. }
23. }
```

Output 1:

```
Enter the number: 12
12 is even
```

Output 2:

```
Enter the number: 99
99 is odd
```

Constructors in Java

1. [Types of constructors](#)
1. [Default Constructor](#)
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2. [Constructor Overloading](#)
3. [Does constructor return any value?](#)
4. [Copying the values of one object into another](#)
5. [Does constructor perform other tasks instead of the initialization](#)

In [Java](#), a constructor is a block of codes similar to the method. It is called when an instance of the [class](#) is created. At the time of calling constructor, memory for the object is allocated in the memory.

It is a special type of method which is used to initialize the object.

Every time an object is created using the new() keyword, at least one constructor is called.

It calls a default constructor if there is no constructor available in the class. In such case, Java compiler provides a default constructor by default.

There are two types of constructors in Java: no-arg constructor, and parameterized constructor.

Note: It is called constructor because it constructs the values at the time of object creation. It is not necessary to write a constructor for a class. It is because java compiler creates a default constructor if your class doesn't have any.

Rules for creating Java constructor

There are two rules defined for the constructor.

1. Constructor name must be the same as its class name
2. A Constructor must have no explicit return type
3. A Java constructor cannot be abstract, static, final, and synchronized

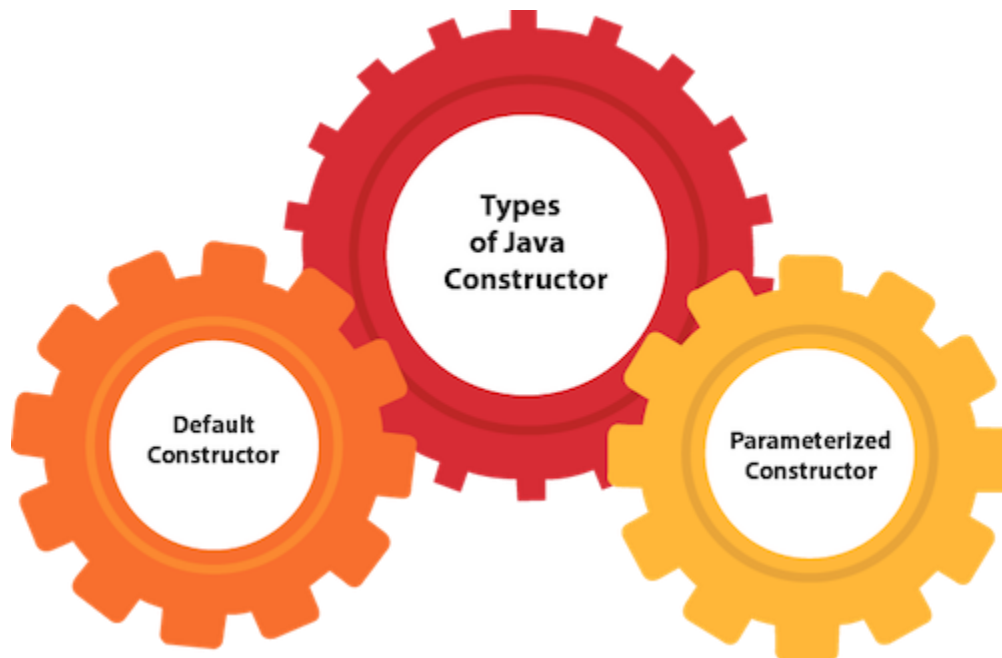
Note: We can use [access modifiers](#) while declaring a constructor. It controls the object creation. In other words, we can have private, protected, public or default constructor in Java.

Types of Java constructors

There are two types of constructors in Java:

1. Default constructor (no-arg constructor)

2. Parameterized constructor



Java Default Constructor

A constructor is called "Default Constructor" when it doesn't have any parameter.

Syntax of default constructor:

1. `<class_name>(){}`

Example of default constructor

In this example, we are creating the no-arg constructor in the Bike class. It will be invoked at the time of object

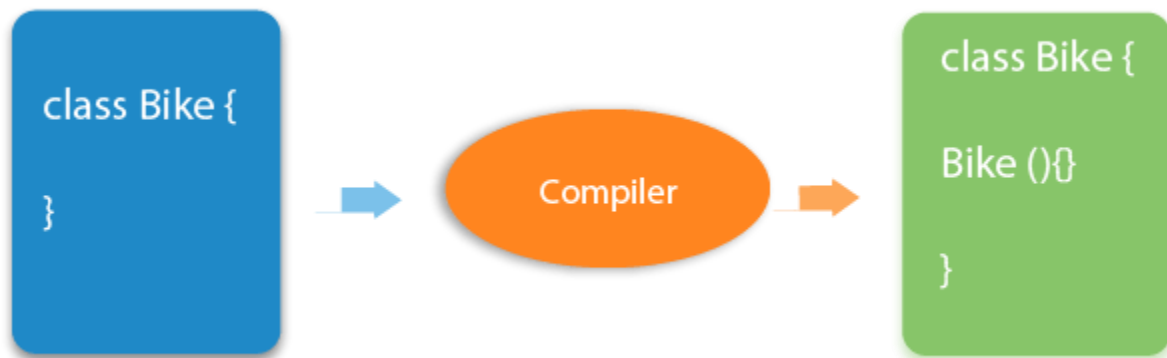
1. `//Java Program to create and call a default constructor`
2. `class Bike1{`
3. `//creating a default constructor`
4. `Bike1(){System.out.println("Bike is created");}`
5. `//main method`
6. `public static void main(String args[]){`
7. `//calling a default constructor`
8. `Bike1 b=new Bike1();`
9. `}`
10. `}`

Test it Now

Output:

```
Bike is created
```

Rule: If there is no constructor in a class, compiler automatically creates a default constructor.



Q) What is the purpose of a default constructor?

The default constructor is used to provide the default values to the object like 0, null, etc., depending on the type.

Example of default constructor that displays the default values

1. `//Let us see another example of default constructor`
2. `//which displays the default values`
3. `class Student3{`
4. `int id;`
5. `String name;`
6. `//method to display the value of id and name`
7. `void display(){System.out.println(id+ " "+name);}`
- 8.
9. `public static void main(String args[]){`
10. `//creating objects`
11. `Student3 s1=new Student3();`
12. `Student3 s2=new Student3();`

```
13. //displaying values of the object
14. s1.display();
15. s2.display();
16. }
17. }
```

Test it Now

Output:

```
0 null
0 null
```

Explanation: In the above class, you are not creating any constructor so compiler provides you a default constructor. Here 0 and null values are provided by default constructor.

Java Parameterized Constructor

A constructor which has a specific number of parameters is called a parameterized constructor.

Why use the parameterized constructor?

The parameterized constructor is used to provide different values to distinct objects. However, you can provide the same values also.

Example of parameterized constructor

In this example, we have created the constructor of Student class that have two parameters. We can have any number of parameters in the constructor.

```
1. //Java Program to demonstrate the use of the parameterized constructor.
2. class Student4{
3.     int id;
4.     String name;
5.     //creating a parameterized constructor
6.     Student4(int i,String n){
7.         id = i;
8.         name = n;
```

```

9.     }
10.    //method to display the values
11.    void display(){System.out.println(id+ " "+name);}
12.
13.    public static void main(String args[]){
14.        //creating objects and passing values
15.        Student4 s1 = new Student4(111,"Karan");
16.        Student4 s2 = new Student4(222,"Aryan");
17.        //calling method to display the values of object
18.        s1.display();
19.        s2.display();
20.    }
21. }

```

Test it Now

Output:

```

111 Karan
222 Aryan

```

Constructor Overloading in Java

In Java, a constructor is just like a method but without return type. It can also be overloaded like Java methods.

Constructor [overloading in Java](#) is a technique of having more than one constructor with different parameter lists. They are arranged in a way that each constructor performs a different task. They are differentiated by the compiler by the number of parameters in the list and their types.

Example of Constructor Overloading

```

1. //Java program to overload constructors
2. class Student5{
3.     int id;
4.     String name;
5.     int age;
6.     //creating two arg constructor

```



```

7.  Student5(int i,String n){
8.    id = i;
9.    name = n;
10. }
11. //creating three arg constructor
12. Student5(int i,String n,int a){
13.    id = i;
14.    name = n;
15.    age=a;
16. }
17. void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name+" "+age);}
18.
19. public static void main(String args[]){
20.    Student5 s1 = new Student5(111,"Karan");
21.    Student5 s2 = new Student5(222,"Aryan",25);
22.    s1.display();
23.    s2.display();
24. }
25. }

```

Test it Now

Output:

```

111 Karan 0
222 Aryan 25

```

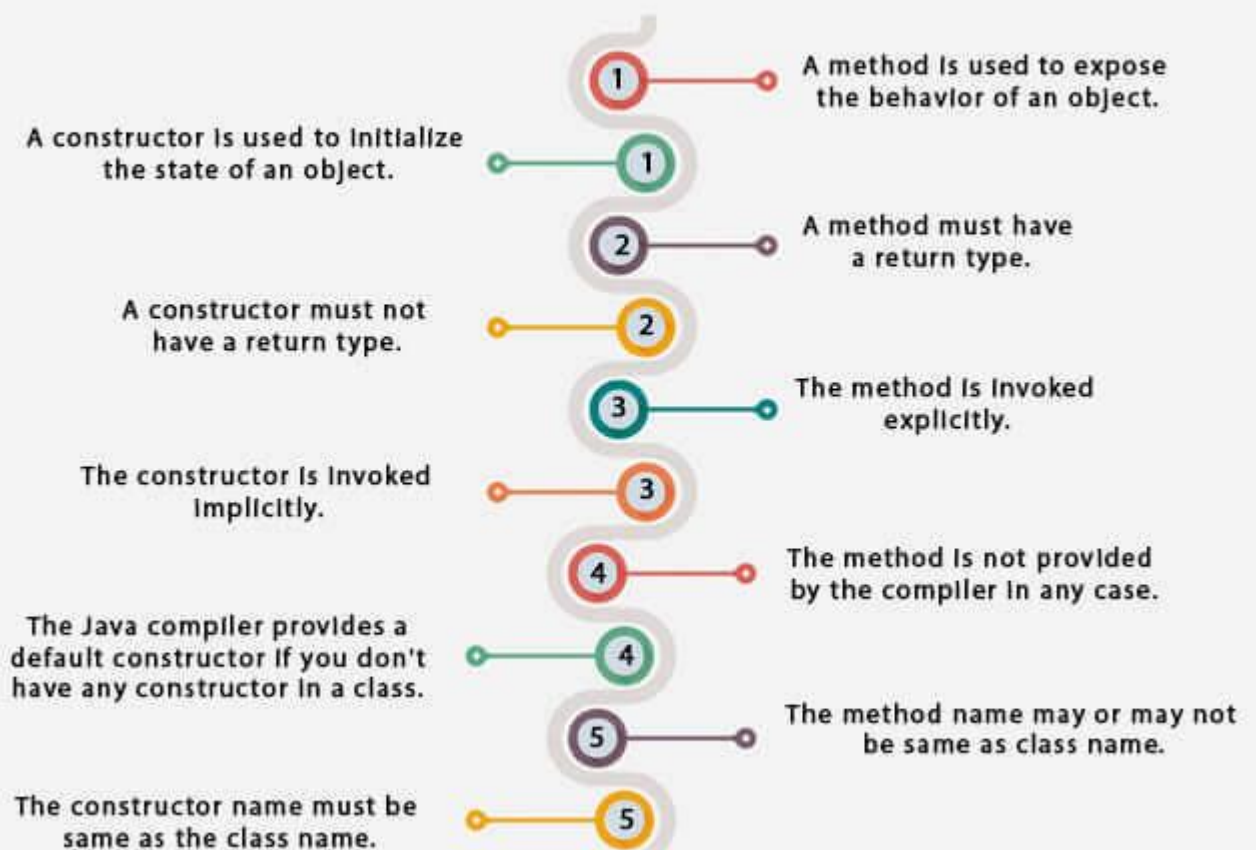
Difference between constructor and method in Java

There are many differences between constructors and methods. They are given below.

Java Constructor	Java Method
A constructor is used to initialize the state of an object.	A method is used to expose the state of an object.

A constructor must not have a return type.	A method must have a return type.
The constructor is invoked implicitly.	The method is invoked explicitly.
The Java compiler provides a default constructor if you don't have any constructor in a class.	The method is not provided by the compiler in any case.
The constructor name must be same as the class name.	The method name may or may not be same as class name.

Difference between constructor and method in Java



Java Copy Constructor

There is no copy constructor in Java. However, we can copy the values from one object to another like copy constructor in C++.

There are many ways to copy the values of one object into another in Java. They are:

- By constructor
- By assigning the values of one object into another
- By clone() method of Object class

In this example, we are going to copy the values of one object into another using Java constructor.

1. //Java program to initialize the values from one object to another object.

```
2. class Student6{
3.     int id;
4.     String name;
5.     //constructor to initialize integer and string
6.     Student6(int i,String n){
7.         id = i;
8.         name = n;
9.     }
10.    //constructor to initialize another object
11.    Student6(Student6 s){
12.        id = s.id;
13.        name =s.name;
14.    }
15.    void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name);}
16.
17.    public static void main(String args[]){
18.        Student6 s1 = new Student6(111,"Karan");
19.        Student6 s2 = new Student6(s1);
20.        s1.display();
21.        s2.display();
22.    }
```

23. }

Test it Now

Output:

```
111 Karan
111 Karan
```

Copying values without constructor

We can copy the values of one object into another by assigning the objects values to another object. In this case, there is no need to create the constructor.

```
1. class Student7{
2.     int id;
3.     String name;
4.     Student7(int i,String n){
5.         id = i;
6.         name = n;
7.     }
8.     Student7(){
9.         void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name);}
10.
11.     public static void main(String args[]){
12.         Student7 s1 = new Student7(111,"Karan");
13.         Student7 s2 = new Student7();
14.         s2.id=s1.id;
15.         s2.name=s1.name;
16.         s1.display();
17.         s2.display();
18.     }
19. }
```

Test it Now

Output:

```
111 Karan
111 Karan
```

Q) Does constructor return any value?

Yes, it is the current class instance (You cannot use return type yet it returns a value).

Can constructor perform other tasks instead of initialization?

Yes, like object creation, starting a thread, calling a method, etc. You can perform any operation in the constructor as you perform in the method.

Is there Constructor class in Java?

Yes.

What is the purpose of Constructor class?

Java provides a Constructor class which can be used to get the internal information of a constructor in the class. It is found in the `java.lang.reflect` package.

Inheritance in Java

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3. [Why multiple inheritance is not possible in Java in case of class?](#)

Inheritance in Java is a mechanism in which one object acquires all the properties and behaviors of a parent object. It is an important part of [OOPs](#) (Object Oriented programming system).

The idea behind inheritance in Java is that you can create new [classes](#) that are built upon existing classes. When you inherit from an existing class, you can reuse methods and fields of the parent class. Moreover, you can add new methods and fields in your current class also.

Inheritance represents the **IS-A relationship** which is also known as a *parent-child* relationship.

Why use inheritance in java

- For [Method Overriding](#) (so [runtime polymorphism](#) can be achieved).
- For Code Reusability.

Terms used in Inheritance

- **Class:** A class is a group of objects which have common properties. It is a template or blueprint from which objects are created.
- **Sub Class/Child Class:** Subclass is a class which inherits the other class. It is also called a derived class, extended class, or child class.
- **Super Class/Parent Class:** Superclass is the class from where a subclass inherits the features. It is also called a base class or a parent class.
- **Reusability:** As the name specifies, reusability is a mechanism which facilitates you to reuse the fields and methods of the existing class when you create a new class. You can use the same fields and methods already defined in the previous class.

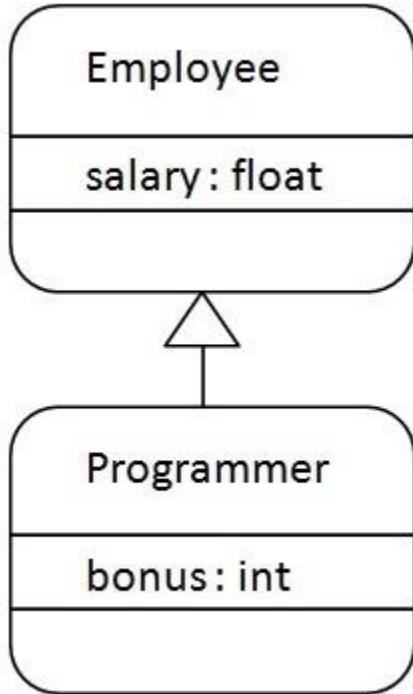
The syntax of Java Inheritance

1. **class** Subclass-name **extends** Superclass-name
2. {
3. //methods and fields
4. }

The **extends keyword** indicates that you are making a new class that derives from an existing class. The meaning of "extends" is to increase the functionality.

In the terminology of Java, a class which is inherited is called a parent or superclass, and the new class is called child or subclass.

Java Inheritance Example



As displayed in the above figure, **Programmer** is the subclass and **Employee** is the superclass. The relationship between the two classes is **Programmer IS-A Employee**. It means that **Programmer** is a type of **Employee**.

1. **class** Employee{
2. **float** salary=40000;
3. }
4. **class** Programmer **extends** Employee{
5. **int** bonus=10000;
6. **public static void** main(String args[]){
7. Programmer p=**new** Programmer();
8. System.out.println("Programmer salary is:"+p.salary);
9. System.out.println("Bonus of Programmer is:"+p.bonus);
10. }
11. }

Test it Now

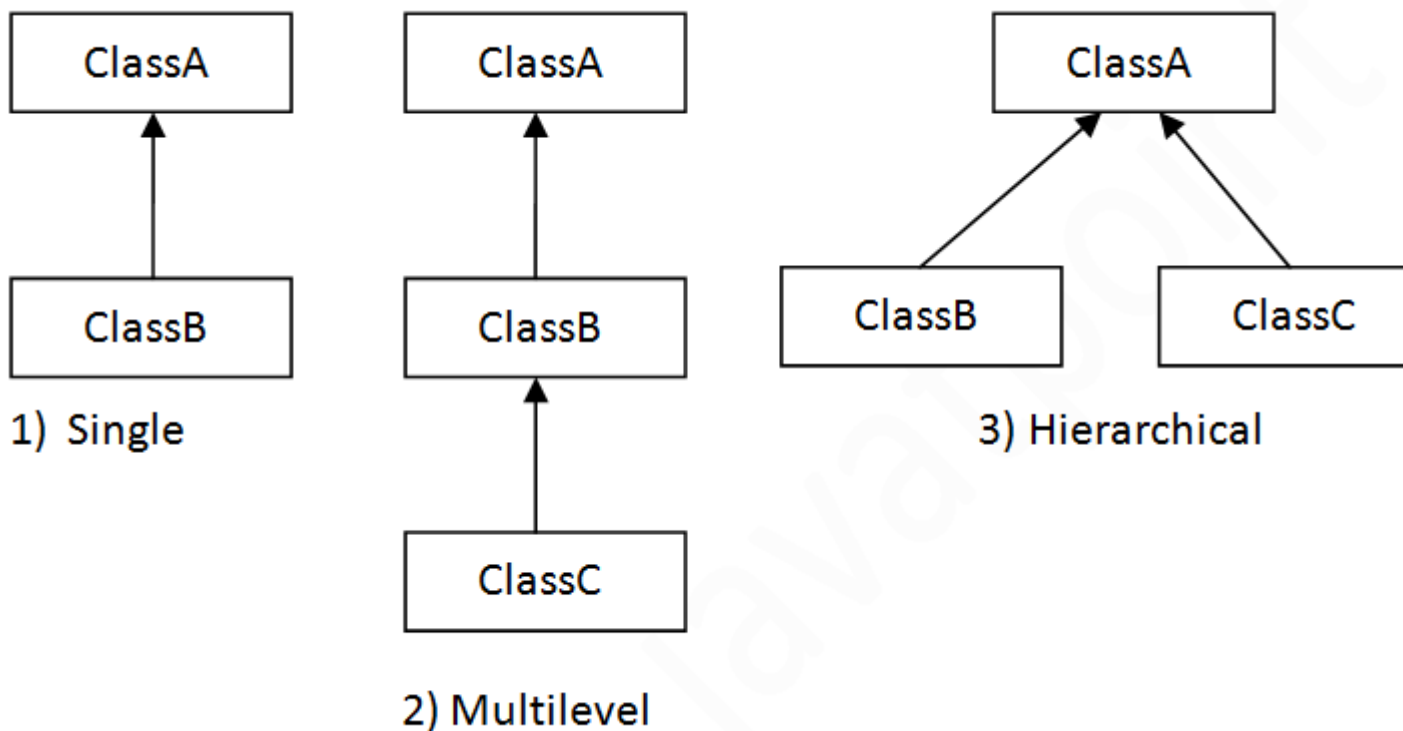
```
Programmer salary is:40000.0
Bonus of programmer is:10000
```

In the above example, Programmer object can access the field of own class as well as of Employee class i.e. code reusability.

Types of inheritance in java

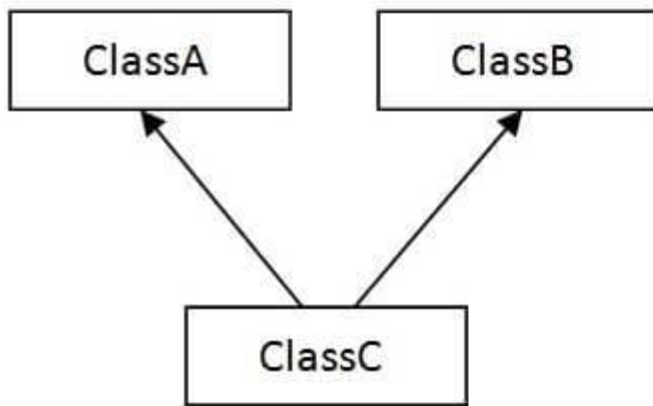
On the basis of class, there can be three types of inheritance in java: single, multilevel and hierarchical.

In java programming, multiple and hybrid inheritance is supported through interface only. We will learn about interfaces later.

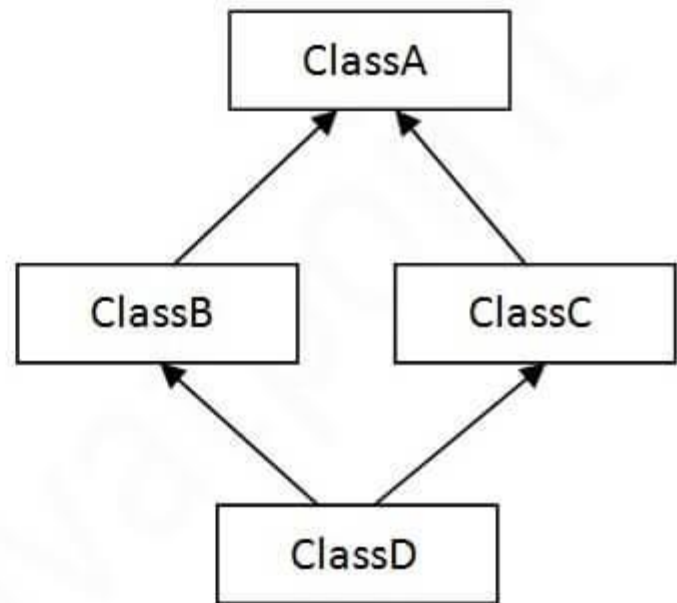


Note: Multiple inheritance is not supported in Java through class.

When one class inherits multiple classes, it is known as multiple inheritance. For Example:



4) Multiple



5) Hybrid

Single Inheritance Example

When a class inherits another class, it is known as a *single inheritance*. In the example given below, Dog class inherits the Animal class, so there is the single inheritance.

File: TestInheritance.java

```
1. class Animal{
2.     void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
3. }
4. class Dog extends Animal{
5.     void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
6. }
7. class TestInheritance{
8.     public static void main(String args[]){
9.         Dog d=new Dog();
10.        d.bark();
```

```
11. d.eat();
12. }}
```

Output:

```
barking...
eating...
```

Multilevel Inheritance Example

When there is a chain of inheritance, it is known as *multilevel inheritance*. As you can see in the example given below, BabyDog class inherits the Dog class which again inherits the Animal class, so there is a multilevel inheritance.

File: TestInheritance2.java

```
1. class Animal{
2. void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
3. }
4. class Dog extends Animal{
5. void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
6. }
7. class BabyDog extends Dog{
8. void weep(){System.out.println("weeping...");}
9. }
10. class TestInheritance2{
11. public static void main(String args[]){
12. BabyDog d=new BabyDog();
13. d.weep();
14. d.bark();
15. d.eat();
16. }}
```

Output:

```
weeping...
barking...
eating...
```

Hierarchical Inheritance Example

When two or more classes inherit a single class, it is known as *hierarchical inheritance*. In the example given below, Dog and Cat classes inherit the Animal class, so there is hierarchical inheritance.

File: TestInheritance3.java

```
1. class Animal{
2. void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
3. }
4. class Dog extends Animal{
5. void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
6. }
7. class Cat extends Animal{
8. void meow(){System.out.println("meowing...");}
9. }
10. class TestInheritance3{
11. public static void main(String args[]){
12. Cat c=new Cat();
13. c.meow();
14. c.eat();
15. //c.bark();//C.T.Error
16. }}
```

Output:

```
meowing...
eating...
```

Q) Why multiple inheritance is not supported in java?

To reduce the complexity and simplify the language, multiple inheritance is not supported in java.

Consider a scenario where A, B, and C are three classes. The C class inherits A and B classes. If A and B classes have the same method and you call it from child class object, there will be ambiguity to call the method of A or B class.

Since compile-time errors are better than runtime errors, Java renders compile-time error if you inherit 2 classes. So whether you have same method or different, there will be compile time error.

```
1. class A{
2. void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
3. }
4. class B{
5. void msg(){System.out.println("Welcome");}
6. }
7. class C extends A,B{//suppose if it were
8.
9. public static void main(String args[]){
10. C obj=new C();
11. obj.msg();//Now which msg() method would be invoked?
12. }
13. }
```

Test it Now

Compile Time Error

Java Package

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A **java package** is a group of similar types of classes, interfaces and sub-packages.

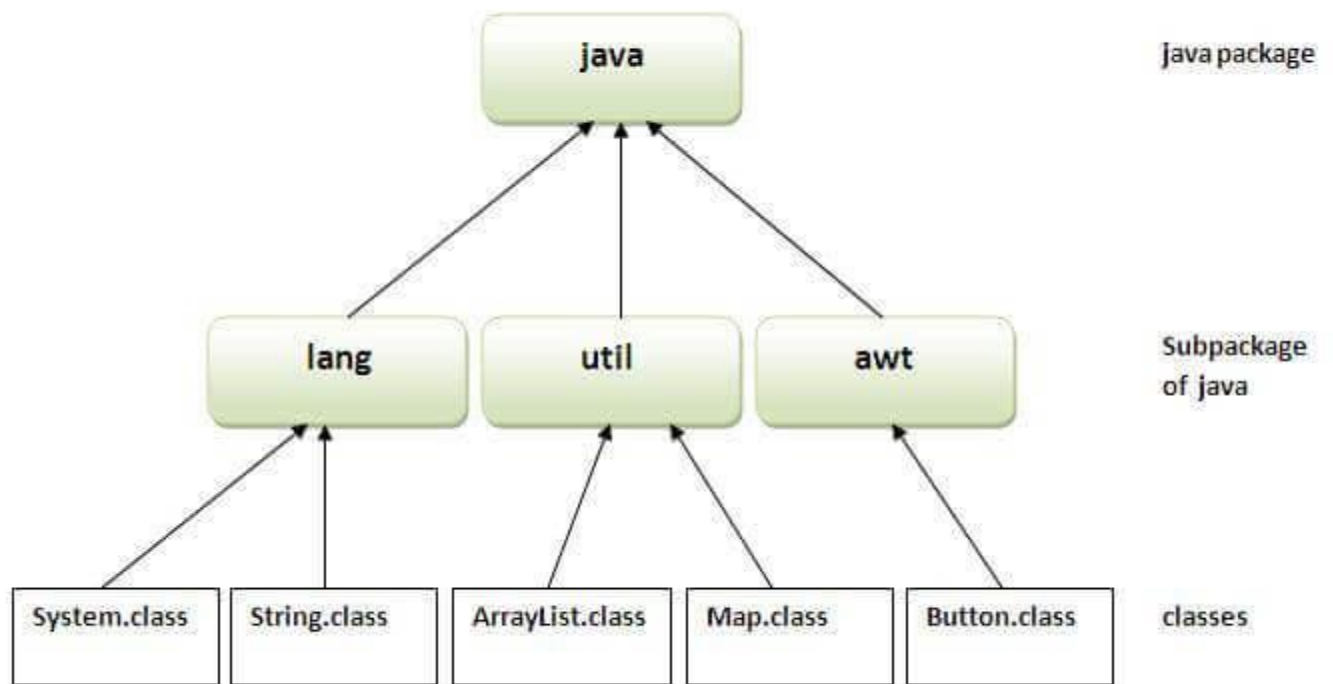
Package in java can be categorized in two form, built-in package and user-defined package.

There are many built-in packages such as java, lang, awt, javax, swing, net, io, util, sql etc.

Here, we will have the detailed learning of creating and using user-defined packages.

Advantage of Java Package

- 1) Java package is used to categorize the classes and interfaces so that they can be easily maintained.
- 2) Java package provides access protection.
- 3) Java package removes naming collision.



Simple example of java package

The **package keyword** is used to create a package in java.

1. `//save as Simple.java`
2. `package mypack;`
3. `public class Simple{`
4. `public static void main(String args[]){`
5. `System.out.println("Welcome to package");`
6. `}`
7. `}`

How to compile java package

If you are not using any IDE, you need to follow the **syntax** given below:

1. `javac -d directory javafilename`

For **example**

1. `javac -d . Simple.java`

The `-d` switch specifies the destination where to put the generated class file. You can use any directory name like `/home` (in case of Linux), `d:/abc` (in case of windows) etc. If you want to keep the package within the same directory, you can use `.` (dot).

How to run java package program

You need to use fully qualified name e.g. `mypack.Simple` etc to run the class.

To Compile: `javac -d . Simple.java`

To Run: `java mypack.Simple`

Output:Welcome to package

The `-d` is a switch that tells the compiler where to put the class file i.e. it represents destination. The `.` represents

How to access package from another package?

There are three ways to access the package from outside the package.

1. `import package.*;`
2. `import package.classname;`
3. fully qualified name.

1) Using packagename.*

If you use `package.*` then all the classes and interfaces of this package will be accessible but not subpackages.

The `import` keyword is used to make the classes and interface of another package accessible to the current package.

Example of package that import the packagename.*

```
1. //save by A.java
2. package pack;
3. public class A{
4.     public void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
5. }
1. //save by B.java
2. package mypack;
3. import pack.*;
4.
5. class B{
6.     public static void main(String args[]){
7.         A obj = new A();
8.         obj.msg();
9.     }
10. }
```

Output:Hello

2) Using packagename.classname

If you import package.classname then only declared class of this package will be accessible.

Example of package by import package.classname

```
1. //save by A.java
2.
3. package pack;
4. public class A{
5.     public void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
6. }
1. //save by B.java
2. package mypack;
3. import pack.A;
4.
5. class B{
```



```
6. public static void main(String args[]){
7.   A obj = new A();
8.   obj.msg();
9. }
10. }
```

```
Output:Hello
```

3) Using fully qualified name

If you use fully qualified name then only declared class of this package will be accessible. Now there is no need to import. But you need to use fully qualified name every time when you are accessing the class or interface.

It is generally used when two packages have same class name e.g. java.util and java.sql packages contain Date class.

Example of package by import fully qualified name

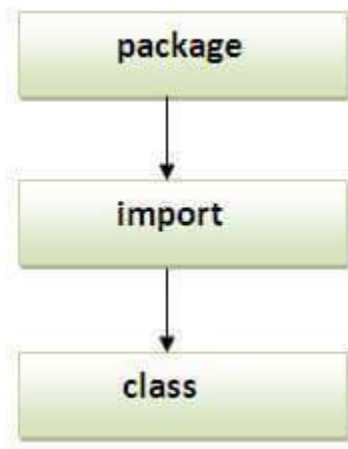
```
1. //save by A.java
2. package pack;
3. public class A{
4.   public void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
5. }
1. //save by B.java
2. package mypack;
3. class B{
4.   public static void main(String args[]){
5.     pack.A obj = new pack.A();//using fully qualified name
6.     obj.msg();
7.   }
8. }
```

```
Output:Hello
```

Note: If you import a package, subpackages will not be imported.

If you import a package, all the classes and interface of that package will be imported excluding the classes and interfaces of the subpackages. Hence, you need to import the subpackage as well.

Note: Sequence of the program must be package then import then class.



Subpackage in java

Package inside the package is called the **subpackage**. It should be created **to categorize the package further**.

Let's take an example, Sun Microsystem has defined a package named java that contains many classes like System, String, Reader, Writer, Socket etc. These classes represent a particular group e.g. Reader and Writer classes are for Input/Output operation, Socket and ServerSocket classes are for networking etc and so on. So, Sun has subcategorized the java package into subpackages such as lang, net, io etc. and put the Input/Output related classes in io package, Server and ServerSocket classes in net packages and so on.

The standard of defining package is domain.company.package e.g. com.javatpoint.bean or org.sssit.dao.

Example of Subpackage

1. **package** com.javatpoint.core;
2. **class** Simple{
3. **public static void** main(String args[]){
4. System.out.println("Hello subpackage");
5. }
6. }

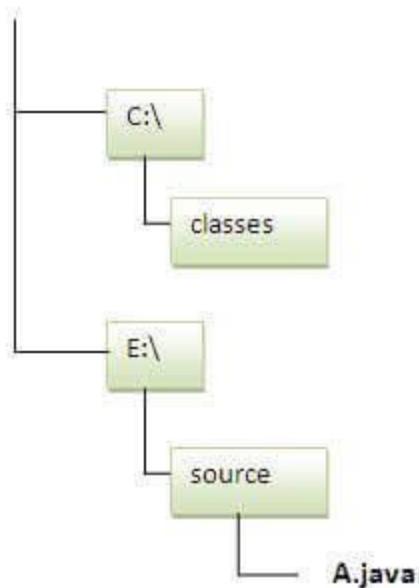
To Compile: javac -d . Simple.java

To Run: java com.javatpoint.core.Simple

Output:Hello subpackage

How to send the class file to another directory or drive?

There is a scenario, I want to put the class file of A.java source file in classes folder of c: drive. For example:



1. //save as Simple.java
2. **package** mypack;
3. **public class** Simple{
4. **public static void** main(String args[]){
5. System.out.println("Welcome to package");
6. }
7. }

To Compile:

e:\sources> javac -d c:\classes Simple.java

To Run:

To run this program from e:\source directory, you need to set classpath of the directory where the class file resides.

```
e:\sources> set classpath=c:\classes;.,;
```

```
e:\sources> java mypack.Simple
```

Another way to run this program by -classpath switch of java:

The -classpath switch can be used with javac and java tool.

To run this program from e:\source directory, you can use -classpath switch of java that tells where to look for class file. For example:

```
e:\sources> java -classpath c:\classes mypack.Simple
```

```
Output:Welcome to package
```

Ways to load the class files or jar files

There are two ways to load the class files temporary and permanent.

- Temporary
 - By setting the classpath in the command prompt
 - By -classpath switch
- Permanent
 - By setting the classpath in the environment variables
 - By creating the jar file, that contains all the class files, and copying the jar file in the jre/lib/ext folder.

Interface in Java

1. [Interface](#)
2. [Example of Interface](#)
3. [Multiple inheritance by Interface](#)
4. [Why multiple inheritance is supported in Interface while it is not supported in case of class.](#)
5. [Marker Interface](#)

6. Nested Interface

An **interface in Java** is a blueprint of a class. It has static constants and abstract methods.

The interface in Java is *a mechanism to achieve abstraction*. There can be only abstract methods in the Java interface, not method body. It is used to achieve abstraction and multiple inheritance in Java.

In other words, you can say that interfaces can have abstract methods and variables. It cannot have a method body.

Java Interface also **represents the IS-A relationship**.

It cannot be instantiated just like the abstract class.

Since Java 8, we can have **default and static methods** in an interface.

Since Java 9, we can have **private methods** in an interface.

Why use Java interface?

There are mainly three reasons to use interface. They are given below.

- It is used to achieve abstraction.
- By interface, we can support the functionality of multiple inheritance.
- It can be used to achieve loose coupling.



How to declare an interface?

An interface is declared by using the interface keyword. It provides total abstraction; means all the methods in an interface are declared with the empty body, and all the fields are public, static and final by default. A class that implements an interface must implement all the methods declared in the interface.

Syntax:

1. **interface** <interface_name>{
- 2.
3. // declare constant fields
4. // declare methods that abstract
5. // by default.
6. }

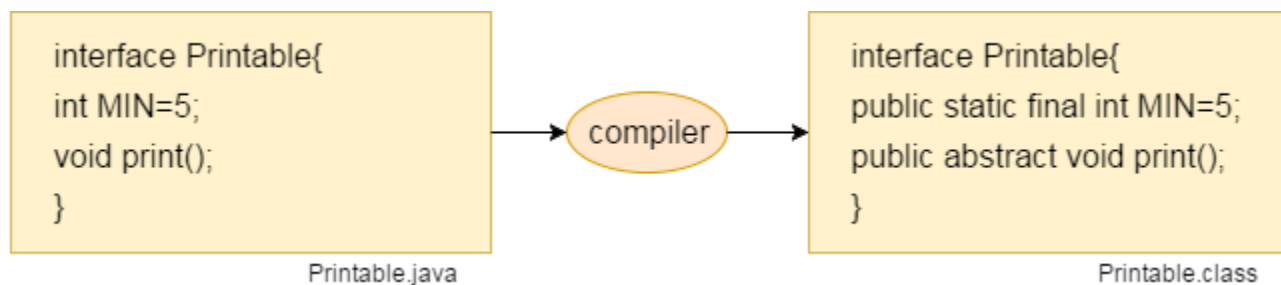
Java 8 Interface Improvement

Since [Java 8](#), interface can have default and static methods which is discussed later.

Internal addition by the compiler

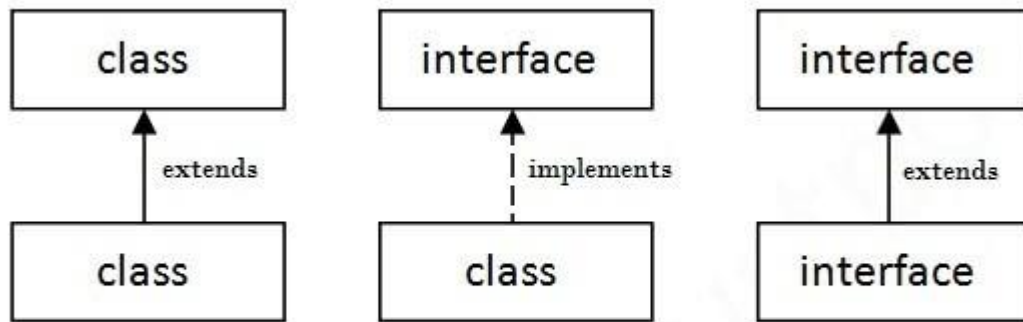
The Java compiler adds public and abstract keywords before the interface method. Moreover, it adds public, static and final keywords before data members.

In other words, Interface fields are public, static and final by default, and the methods are public and abstract.



The relationship between classes and interfaces

As shown in the figure given below, a class extends another class, an interface extends another interface, but a **class implements an interface**.



Java Interface Example

In this example, the Printable interface has only one method, and its implementation is provided in the A6 class.

```
1. interface printable{
2.   void print();
3. }
4. class A6 implements printable{
5.   public void print(){System.out.println("Hello");}
6.
7.   public static void main(String args[]){
8.     A6 obj = new A6();
9.     obj.print();
10.  }
11. }
```

Test it Now

Output:

```
Hello
```

Java Interface Example: Drawable

In this example, the Drawable interface has only one method. Its implementation is provided by Rectangle and Circle classes. In a real scenario, an interface is defined by someone else, but its implementation is provided by different implementation providers. Moreover, it is used by someone else. The implementation part is hidden by the user who uses the interface.