

# Import, Static Import and Creating our own Packages



## **Agenda**

- 1 Importing Classes
- 2 Static Import
- 3 Creating our own packages



# **Importing Classes**



# Packages & import statement

- Naturally, after creating the packages, we need to use them in our programs. Java provides import statement.
  - Import means, we can including the classes and interfaces of existing packages into our programs.
- For example,
  - import java.awt.\*; -- this will be importing awt package
  - import java.awt.event.\*; -- this will be importing event package which is a sub package under awt package.
- If you need a sub package, then, you need to issue a separate import statement.

## Quiz

- Which is the correct usage of import statement?
  - A) import java.\*;
  - B) import java.lang.\*;
  - C) import \*;
  - D) import \*.\*;

Only Option B is correct; Others are invalid.

## **Understanding CLASSPATH**

- What is CLASSPATH?
- CLASSPATH is an environment variable that tells the Java runtime system where the classes are present
- When a packages is not created, all classes are stored in the default package
- The default package is stored in the current directory.
- The current directory is the default directory for CLASSPATH.

## **Understanding CLASSPATH (Contd.).**

- When you create your own package for example MyPack, all the .class files including MyClass are saved in the directory MyPack.
- In order for a program to find MyPack, one of two things must be true:
  - Either the program is executed from a directory immediately above MyPack, or
  - CLASSPATH must be set to include the path to MyPack

## **Creating our own Package Example**

```
package empPack;
class EmpClass{
 String empName;
 double salary;
 EmpClass(String name, double sal) {
  empName = name;
   salary = sal;
 void display() {
   System.out.println(empName + " : $"+salary);
```

## Creating our own Package Example (Contd.).

```
class EmpSal{
 public static void main(String args[]) {
   EmpClass emp[] = new EmpClass[4];
   emp[0] = new EmpClass("Bill Gates", 450.20);
   emp[1] = new EmpClass("D.M Ritchie", 725.93);
   emp[2] = new EmpClass("Tagore", 630.80);
   emp[3] = new EmpClass("Kalam", 545.60);
   for (int i=0; i<4; i++)
      emp[i].display();
                               How you will save this file?
                                 In command prompt:
                                 How you will compile?
                                  How you will run?
```

## **Importing Classes from Packages**

- Java has used the package mechanism extensively to organize classes with similar functionality in one package
- If you want to use these classes in your applications, you can do so by including the following statement at the beginning of your program:
  - import packagename.classname;
- If the packages are nested you should specify the hierarchy.
  - import package1.package2.classname;

## Importing Classes from Packages (Contd.).

- The class you want to use must be qualified by its package name.
- If you want to use several classes from a package, it would be cumbersome to type so many classes qualified by their packages.
- It can be made easy by giving a star(\*) at the end of the import statement. For example:
  - import package1.\*;

## **Static Import**

- A static import declaration enables us to refer to imported static members as though they were declared in the current class
- If we use static import, we first have to import this static member in the following way:

```
package p1;
public class Abc {
   public static void xyz() {
    System.out.println("static import demo");
                                          Output: "static import demo"
package p2;
import static pl.Abc.xyz;
public class A1 {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       xyz();
```

## Static Import (Contd.).

• If we are invoking multiple static members of the same class, we can also use asterisk(\*), which indicates that all static members of the specified class should be available for use

```
import static java.lang.Math.*;
public class StaticImportDemo {
   static float x = 4.556f;
   static double y = 4.556;
   public static void main( String args[] ) {
    float a1 = abs(x);
    int r1 = round(x);
     double s1 = sqrt(y);
 System.out.println("absolute value of "+x+" is" +a1);
 System.out.println("When we round off "+x+"we get" +r1);
     System.out.println("Square Root of "+y+ "is" +s1);
```

## Quiz

In one java source file, how many package statements can be used?

- A) One
- B) Two or more

Only Option A is correct; You can't have two or more package statements in a java source file

## **Creating our own Packages**

#### We can create our own packages in java

- Package statement helps us to create our own package.
- Package statement should be the first statement in your program.
- We group related classes and interfaces into a package
- We can have sub-packages inside our packages as required

## Packages are stored as directories in Hard disk:

- Remember, the case should match exactly
- Look at the program in next page & try it from command line:

## **Working with Packages – Example 1**

#### package automobile;

What is the package name? How you will save this file?

#### package automobile;

```
public class Bike extends Vehicle {
   public void printname() {
    System.out.println("My name is bike");
    System.out.println(" I am defined inside automobile package");
   }
}
```

What is the package name? How you will save this file?

#### package automobile;

```
public class Car extends Vehicle {
    public void printname() {
        System.out.println("My name is car");
        System.out.println(" I am defined inside automobile package");
    }
}
```

What is the package name? How you will save this file?

```
package au test;
import automobile.*;
public class tester {
public static void main(String s[]) {
System.out.println(" I am tester class defined
 inside au tester package");
System.out.println(" I had imported all classes
 of automobile package");
System.out.println(" Creating instances of
 Vehicle, Car and Bike ");
System.out.println(" -----");
```

```
Vehicle v = new Vehicle();
Car c = new Car();
Bike b = new Bike();
System.out.println(" Accessing the functions
 using objects");
System.out.println(" ------
 v.printname();
 c.printname();
                           How you will save this file?
                             In command prompt:
 b.printname();
                             How you will compile?
                            And How you will run?
```

What is the output of the program?

#### What will be the result, when you try to compile and execute:

```
class A1 {
     protected void m1() {
          System.out.println("m1 method of class A1");
class A2 extends A1 {
     void m1() {
          System.out.println("m1 method of class A2");
     public static void main(String[] args) {
        A2 x = \text{new } A2();
        x.m1();
                                                 Compilation Error...Why?
```

#### What will be the result, when you try to compile and execute (Contd.).

```
class A1 {
     protected void m1() {
          System.out.println("m1 method of class A1");
class A2 extends A1 {
     public void m1() {
          System.out.println("m1 method of class A2");
     public static void main(String[] args) {
        A2 x = new A2();
        x.m1();
```

The code compiles and executes successfully..! Prints "m1 method of class A2"

#### What will be the result, when you try to compile and execute: (Contd.).

```
class A1 {
     protected void m1() {
          System.out.println("m1 method of class A1");
class A2 extends A1 {
     void m1(int i) {
          System.out.println("m1 method of class A2");
     public static void main(String[] args) {
        A2 x = new A2();
        x.m1();
```

The code compiles and executes successfully..! Prints "m1 method of class A1"

# **Summary**

In this session, you were able to learn about:

- Import
- Static Import
- Creating Our own packages

# **Assignment**





# **Thank You**

