

DEFINING CLASSES 2

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METHOD OVERLOADING

- Java enables you to define several methods in a class with the same name
- each method has a unique set of parameters
- more methods with the same name in a class is called ***method overloading***.

Multiple Constructors

- Constructors are methods that can be overloaded
- In the Sphere class You might want a constructor that accepted just the (x, y, z) coordinates of a point
- Another possibility is that you may want to create a default Sphere with a radius of 1.0 positioned at the origin

TRY IT OUT

```
1 // Lab 04
2 public class Sphere {
3
4     static final double PI = .14;
5     static int count = 0;
6
7     double radius;
8     double xCenter;
9     double yCenter;
10    double zCenter;
11
12    // Constructor
13    Sphere(double theRadius, double x, double y, double z) {
14        radius = theRadius;
15        xCenter = x;
16        yCenter = y;
17        zCenter = z;
18        count++;
19    }
```

```
37
38    static int getCount() {
39        return count;
40    }
41
42    double volume() {
43        return 4.0 / 3.0 * PI * radius * radius * radius;
44    }
45 }
46
```

```
20
21    Sphere(double x, double y, double z) {
22        radius = 1.0;
23        xCenter = x;
24        yCenter = y;
25        zCenter = z;
26        count++;
27    }
28    // Construct a unit sphere at the origin
29
30    Sphere() {
31        xCenter = 0.0;
32        yCenter = 0.0;
33        zCenter = 0.0;
34        radius = 1.0;
35        ++count; // Update object count
36    }
```

TRY IT OUT

```
1
2 public class Story {
3     public static void main(String[] args) {
4         System.out.println("Number of objects = " + Sphere.getCount());
5         Sphere ball = new Sphere(4.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0); // Create a sphere
6         System.out.println("Number of objects = " + ball.getCount());
7         Sphere globe = new Sphere(12.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0); // Create a sphere
8         System.out.println("Number of objects = " + Sphere.getCount());
9
10        Sphere eightBall = new Sphere(10.0, 10.0, 0.0);
11        Sphere oddBall = new Sphere();
12        System.out.println("Number of objects = " + Sphere.getCount());
13        // Output the volume of each sphere
14        System.out.println("ball volume = " + ball.volume());
15        System.out.println("globe volume = " + globe.volume());
16        System.out.println("eightBall volume = " + eightBall.volume());
17        System.out.println("oddBall volume = " + oddBall.volume());
18    }
19 }
```

Calling a Constructor from a Constructor

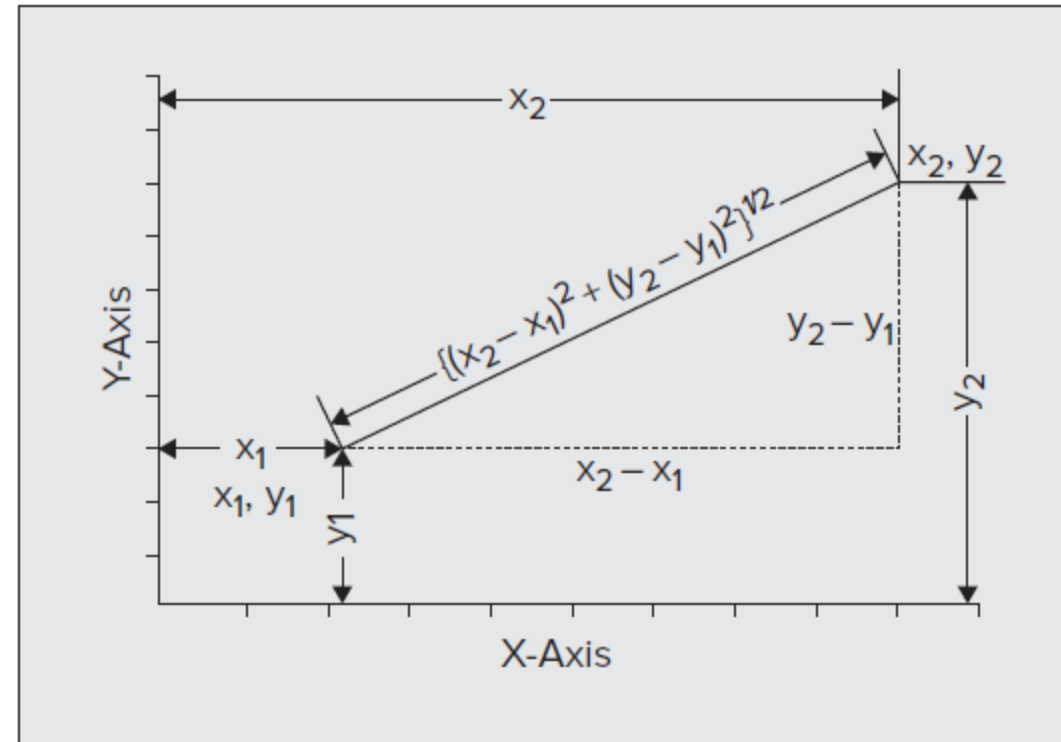
- One class constructor can call another constructor in the same class in its first executable statement
- This can often save duplicating a lot of code
- To refer to another constructor in the same class, you use this as the method name

```
class Sphere {  
    // Construct a unit sphere at the origin  
    Sphere() {  
        radius = 1.0;  
        // Other data members will be zero by default  
        ++count;           // Update object count  
    }  
  
    // Construct a unit sphere at a point  
    Sphere(double x, double y, double z)  
    {  
        this();             // Call the constructor with no arguments  
        xCenter = x;  
        yCenter = y;  
        zCenter = z;  
    }  
  
    Sphere(double theRadius, double x, double y, double z) {  
        this(x, y, z);      // Call the 3 argument constructor  
        radius = theRadius; // Set the radius  
    }  
    // The rest of the class as before...  
}
```

```

1  import static java.lang.Math.sqrt;
2  class Point {
3
4      double x;
5      double y;
6
7      Point(double xVal, double yVal) {
8          x = xVal;
9          y = yVal;
10     }
11
12     Point(Point oldPoint) {
13         x = oldPoint.x; // Copy x coordinate
14         y = oldPoint.y; // Copy y coordinate
15     }
16
17     void move(double xDelta, double yDelta) {
18         x += xDelta;
19         y += yDelta;
20     }
21
22     double distance(Point aPoint) {
23         return sqrt((x - aPoint.x) * (x - aPoint.x) + (y - aPoint.y) * (y - aPoint.y));
24     }
25     // Convert a point to a string
26
27     public String toString() {
28         return Double.toString(x) + "," + y; // As "x, y"
29     }
30 }
31

```



The Line Class

```
1  class Line {  
2      Point start; // Start point of line  
3      Point end; // End point of line  
4      // Create a line from two points  
5      Line(Point start, Point end) {  
6          this.start = new Point(start);  
7          this.end = new Point(end);  
8      }  
9      // Create a line from two coordinate pairs  
10     Line(double xStart, double yStart, double xEnd, double yEnd) {  
11         start = new Point(xStart, yStart); // Create the start point  
12         end = new Point(xEnd, yEnd); // Create the end point  
13     }  
14     // Calculate the length of a line  
15     double length() {  
16         return start.distance(end); // Use the method from the Point class  
17     }  
18     // Convert a line to a string  
19     public String toString() {  
20         return "(" + start + "):(" + end + ")"; // As "(start):(end)"  
21     } // that is, "(x1, y1):(x2, y2)"  
22 }  
23
```


Story

```
1
2 public class Story2 {
3
4     public static void main(String[] args) {
5         // Create two points and display them
6         Point start = new Point(0.0, 1.0);
7         Point end = new Point(5.0, 6.0);
8         System.out.println("Points created are " + start + " and " + end);
9         // Create two lines and display them
10        Line line1 = new Line(start, end);
11        Line line2 = new Line(0.0, 3.0, 3.0, 0.0);
12        System.out.println("Lines created are " + line1 + " and " + line2);
13        end.move(1.0, -5.0);
14        System.out.println("Lines created are " + line1 + " and " + line2);
15        line2.end = end;
16        System.out.println("Lines created are " + line1 + " and " + line2);
17    }
18 }
19
```

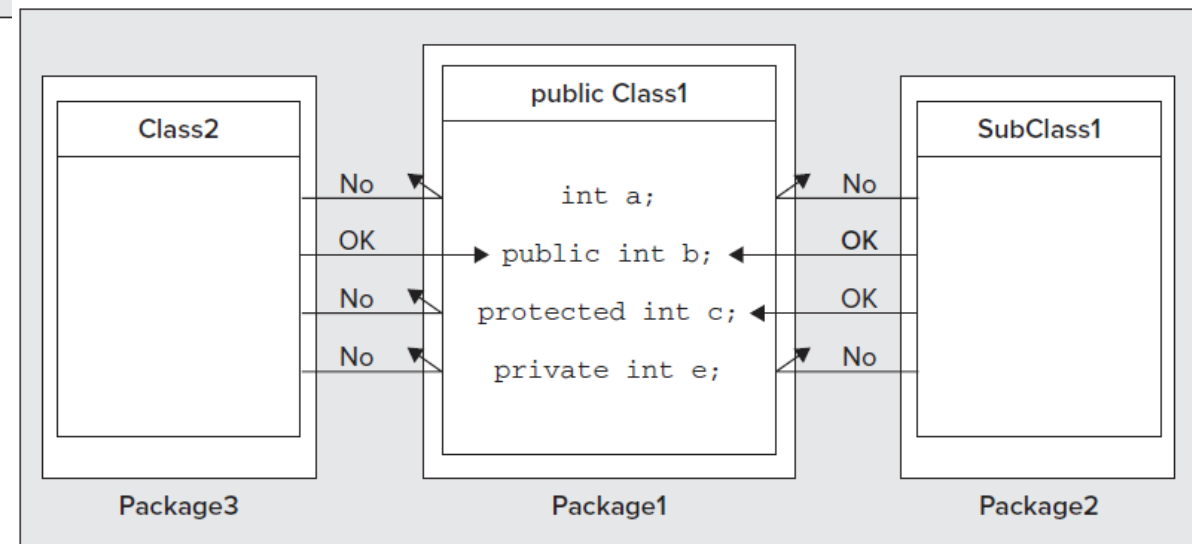
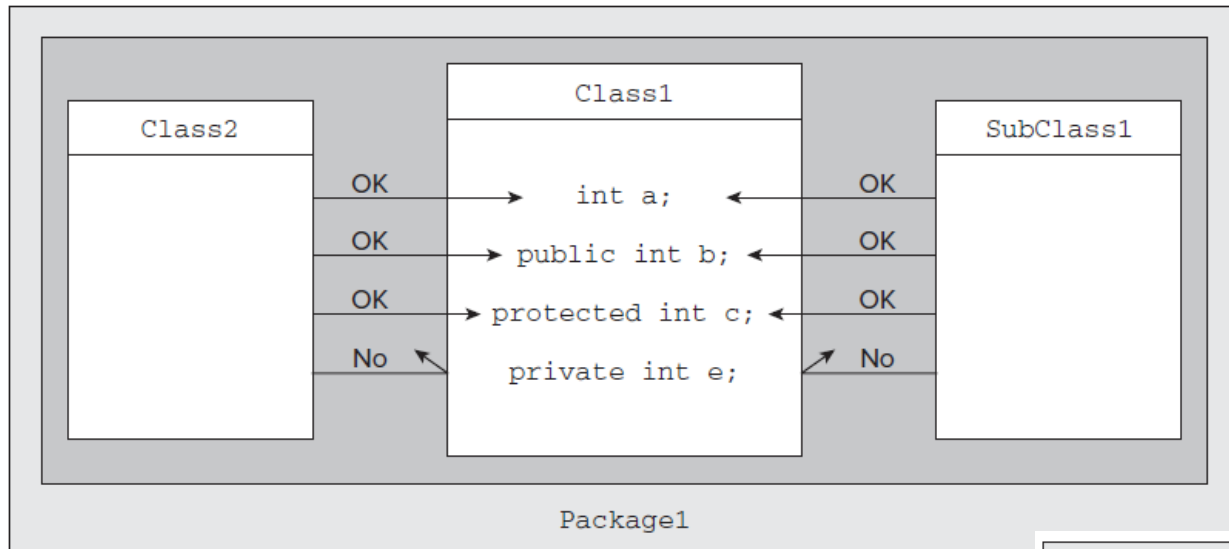
Using Access Attributes

- The accessibility of these is controlled by ***access attributes***
- You have four possibilities when specifying an access attribute for a class member

TABLE 5-2: Access Attributes for a Class Member

ATTRIBUTE	PERMITTED ACCESS
No access attribute	From methods in any class in the same package.
<code>public</code>	From methods in any class anywhere as long as the class has been declared as <code>public</code> .
<code>private</code>	Accessible only from methods inside the class. No access from outside the class at all.
<code>protected</code>	From methods in any class in the same package and from any subclass anywhere.

Using Access Attributes



Try it

- Make the following changes to your **Point** class.

```
1  import static java.lang.Math.sqrt;
2  public class Point {
3      private double x;
4      private double y;
5
6      // Create a point from its coordinates
7      public Point(double xVal, double yVal) {
8          x = xVal;
9          y = yVal;
10     }
11     // Create a Point from an existing Point object
12
13     public Point(Point aPoint) {
14         x = aPoint.x;
15         y = aPoint.y;
16     }
17     // Move a point
18
19     public void move(double xDelta, double yDelta) {
20         // Parameter values are increments to the current coordinates
21         x += xDelta;
22     }
23     // Calculate the distance to another point
24
25     public double distance(Point aPoint) {
26         return sqrt((x - aPoint.x) * (x - aPoint.x) + (y - aPoint.y) * (y - aPoint.y));
27     }
28     // Convert a point to a string
29
30     public String toString() {
31         return Double.toString(x) + ", " + y; // As "x, y"
32     }
33     // Coordinates of the point
34
35 }
```