



# Functional interface



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# Functional Interfaces

- An Interface that contains exactly one abstract method is known as functional interface.
- Functional Interface is also known as Single Abstract Method Interfaces or SAM Interfaces.
- It is a new feature in Java, which helps to achieve functional programming approach.
- It can contain any number of Object class methods.
- Java provides an annotation `@FunctionalInterface`, which is used to declare an interface as functional interface.

```
@FunctionalInterface
interface Welcome{
    void hello(); // abstract method
    // It can contain any number of Object class methods.
    int hashCode();
    String toString();
    boolean equals(Object object);
}

public class Test1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Welcome welcome = ()-> System.out.println("Hey hii :) ");
        welcome.hello();
        System.out.println(welcome.hashCode());
    }
}
```

output: Hey hii :)  
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# Functional Interfaces

It can have any number of default, static methods.

```
@FunctionalInterface
interface MyFunctionalInterface {
    void abstractMethod();
    default void defaultMethod() {
        System.out.println("Default method implementation");
    }
    static void staticMethod() {
        System.out.println("Static method implementation");
    }
}

public class Test1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        MyFunctionalInterface fi = ()->
            System.out.println("Abstarct method implementation");
        fi.abstractMethod();
        fi.defaultMethod();
        MyFunctionalInterface.staticMethod();
    }
}
```

output: Abstarct method implementation  
Default method implementation  
Static method implementation

# Functional Interfaces

A functional interface can extend another interface only when it does not have any abstract method but it can contain default, static and object class methods.

```
interface MyInterface {  
    default void defaultMethod(){  
        System.out.println("Default method implementation");  
    }  
    int hashCode();  
}  
  
@FunctionalInterface  
interface MyFunctionalInterface extends MyInterface {  
    void abstractMethod();  
}  
  
public class Test3 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        MyFunctionalInterface fi = ()->  
            System.out.println("Abstarct method implementation");  
        fi.abstractMethod();  
        System.out.println(fi.hashCode());  
    }  
}
```

output: Abstarct method implementation  
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# Predefined-Functional Interfaces

- Java provides predefined functional interfaces to deal with functional programming by using lambda and method references.
- Following is the list of some functional interface which are placed in java.util.function package.

Interface	Description
Consumer<T>	It represents an operation that accepts a single argument 'T' and does not returns result.
BiConsumer<T,U>	It represents an operation that accepts two input arguments and does not returns result.
Supplier<T>	It represents an operation that not take any arguments and returns a result of type 'T'.
Predicate<T>	represents operation that accepts a single argument 'T' and return boolean value.
Function<T,R>	It represents a function that accepts one argument 'T' and returns a result 'R'.
BiFunction<T,U,R>	It represents a function that accepts two arguments ('T', 'U) and returns a result 'R'.

## Consumer<T> Interface

It contains an abstract `accept()` method and a default `andThen()` method.

```
Consumer<String> con = (name) -> System.out.println("hello "+name);  
con.accept("vishal");           -----> hello vishal
```

## BiConsumer<T,U> Interface

It contains an abstract `accept()` method and a default `andThen()` method.

```
BiConsumer<String, Integer> biConsumer = (name, age)->  
                                           System.out.println(name+ " : "+age);  
  
biConsumer.accept("vishal", 24);           -----> vishal : 24
```

## Supplier<T> Interface

It has a single abstract method `get()`.

```
Supplier<Double> supplier = ()-> Math.random()*100;  
System.out.println(supplier.get());       -----> 58.17961621550302
```

## Predicate<T> Interface

it contains an abstract test() method and some default & static methods too.

```
Predicate<Integer> predicate = age-> age>18;  
Sop(predicate.test(12));
```

-----> false

## Function<T,R> Interface

it contains an abstract apply() method and some default & static methods too.

```
Function<String, String> function = (name)-> "hello "+ name;  
Sop(function.apply("vishal"));
```

-----> hello vishal

## BiFunction<T,U,R> Interface

it contains an abstract apply() method and default andThen() method.

```
BiFunction<String, String, String> biFunction = (s1, s2)-> s1+" "+s2;  
Sop(biFunction.apply("hello", "vishal"));
```

-----> hello vishal



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