Object-Oriented Programming in Java IFT 194: Lab 3

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Prelab Exercises

1. Class constructors are special methods that are called when the **new** operator is used to create a new instance of a class. These methods typically set up attributes of the class.

There are a few differences between regular methods and class constructors (special methods). First and foremost, constructors cannot have a return value, and neither is a return type specified in the method header. Secondly, constructors have the same name as the containing class. Thus, if I were to write a class Animal, this class' constructors would also have the name Animal.

2. Access or visibility modifiers, which include public and private, among others, are used to determine where a variable or method of a class may be accessed from. For example, a public method or field variable may be accessed from outside an instance, whereas in the latter case they may only be used from inside the instance.

A programmer can decide if a variable should be public based on what that variable may store. Likewise, a programmer may make a method public if it plays a vital role in the class' interface to other classes. Private methods are typically used to provide support to public methods. We should also keep *encapsulation* in mind, which suggests that a class should not allow other classes to modify its state by "reaching in" and modifying a value. Rather, we should provide an interface, perhaps through a public method, that has the ability to modify its state. This being said, it is perfectly fine to define publicly-accessible constants as long as they are preceded by final, declaring the value immutable.

There are a lot of best-practices suggested throughout the text for this course. I completely support them, knowing that things can easily get out of hand as a code base becomes large enough that a single person can no longer maintain or extend it.

- 3. In this problem we consider a class that may represent a bank account.
 - a. To hold information about an account balance, the name of the account holder, and an account number, I might define the following field variables.

```
private double balance = 0.0;
final private String accountHolder;
final private int[] accountNumber;
```

The accountHolder and accountNumber fields are declared final because I don't want them to be modifiable once the class is instantiated. Moreover, all variables are private, because I wouldn't want this information to be accessible by other classes or objects unless the proper indentification is provided or process completed.

- b. In this sub-problem, we're asked to write method headers for each of the examples provided.
 - i. To withdraw a certain amount of money from the account change the account balance and do not return a value.

```
public void withdraw(double amount) { ... }
```

ii. Deposit a certain amount into the account and do not return a value.

```
public void deposit(double amount) { ... }
```

iii. Get the current balance of the account.

```
public double getBalance(/* something to check credentials? */) { ... }
```

iv. Return a string with account information, including name, account number, and balance.

```
public String getAccountInfo(/* Again, check credentials? */) { ... }
```

v. Charge a \$10 fee.

```
public void chargeFee(double amount) { ... }
```

vi. A constructor that requires the initial balance, name of the owner, and account number.

```
public BankAccount(double initialBalance, String owner, int[] acctNumber) { ... }
```

Bank Account Class

- 1. For this question, I've reproduced the code provided in the lab in Figure 1.
 - a. Please see my implementation of toString in the aforementioned figure, which overrides Object's default implementation. Also, I've used the String class' format method, which allows us to shorten this line somewhat, in addition to limiting the display of account balance to 2 decimal places.
 - b. For the **chargeFee** method, I've actually used method overloading so that a default fee of \$10 may be charged to an account if no arguments are supplied.
 - c. See the aforementioned figure regarding changes to both chargeFee methods.
 - d. See the aforementioned figure for my implementation of the **changeName** method. My implementation also requires the argument to have content.
- 2. See Figure 2 for my implementation of ManageAccounts.java. The program's output is as follows.

Joe's new balance: 600.0 New balance: 950.00 Sally's new balance: 950.0

Name: Sally

Acct Number: 0000000001 Balance: 940.00

Name: Joseph

Acct Number: 0000000002

Balance: 565.00

Tracking Grades

In this section we're tasked with writing a class that permits a teacher to keep track of grades attributed to each student. Please see Figure 3 and Figure 4 for my solution. See below for another example session.

```
Enter student's grade for test #1: 50
Enter student's grade for test #2: 75
The average for Mary is: 62.50

Enter student's grade for test #1: 75
Enter student's grade for test #2: 50
The average for Mike is: 62.50

Name: Mary
Test 1: 50.00
Test 2: 75.00

Name: Mike
Test 1: 75.00
Test 2: 50.00
```

Band Booster Class

In this exercise we're tasked with writing a class that maintains the state of a band booster and keeps track of band candy sales over 3 weeks. Please see Figure 5 for my solution. Below is another example session, demonstrating how my program works.

```
Please enter a name: Brandon
Would you like to enter a another booster? [y|n]: yes
Please enter a name: Alison
Would you like to enter a another booster? [y|n]: n
    Week 1
Enter a number of sales for Brandon for this week: 50
Enter a number of sales for Alison for this week: 52
    Week 2
Enter a number of sales for Brandon for this week: 30
Enter a number of sales for Alison for this week: 60
    Week 3
Enter a number of sales for Brandon for this week: 70
Enter a number of sales for Alison for this week: 55
Summary:
    Brandon: 150
    Alison: 167
```

Representing Names

In this section we're tasked with writing a class that stores a person's first, middle, and last names. Please see Figure 6 and Figure 7 for my solution. Also, below is a sample session.

```
Enter a name: Brandon James

*** Error: Please enter a First, Middle, and Last name, separated by space
Enter a name: Brandon James Doyle
Enter a name: Brandon James Doyle

Brandon James Doyle
Doyle, Brandon James
BJD
17

Brandon James Doyle
Doyle, Brandon James
BJD
17

The names are equal
```

Conclusion

In this lab I came across a number of new challenges. For instance, I wanted to put constraints on incoming values accepted by methods in my classes (hence the throws IllegalArgumentExceptions). I'm also trying to decide what kind of semantics make sense while I'm designing a class. I try to keep in mind how my class may be used; e.g. how can I make the API more convenient? What kind of type should I use to represent this information (again, what limits do I want to put on the inputs)?

```
package lab_3;
import java.util.Arrays;
public class Account
   private double _balance;
   private String _name;
   final private int[] _acctNumber;
    * Class constructor.
      @param startingBalance Starting balance of the account.
                            Name associated with the account.
      @param acctName
      public Account(double startingBalance, String acctName, int[] acctNumber)
       throws IllegalArgumentException
       this._balance = startingBalance;
       this._name = acctName;
       if (acctNumber.length != 10)
    throw new IllegalArgumentException("*** Error: Account number length must"
                  be 10 digits, received: " + acctNumber.length);
       for (int i : acctNumber)
           if (i < 0)
               throw new IllegalArgumentException(
                   "*** Error: Account number entries must all be (+)");
       this._acctNumber = acctNumber;
   }
    \ast Class constructor that initializes the balance to 0.
      @param acctName
                            Name associated with the account.
      public Account(String acctName, int[] acctNumber)
    throws java.lang.Exception
       this(0, acctName, acctNumber);
   }
    * Withdraw an amount from the account.
      @param amount The amount to be withdrawn.
   public void withdraw(double amount)
       if (this._balance >= amount) {
           this._balance -= amount;
           System.out.println(String.format("New balance: %.2f", this._balance));
       } else {
           System.out.println("Insufficient funds");
       }
   }
      Deposit some amount into the account.
      @param amount The amount to deposit.
   public void deposit(double amount)
       this._balance += amount;
    * Get the balance currently contained within the account.
    * @return The balance associated with this account (instance).
   public double getBalance()
```

```
return this._balance;
    * Return a string with a summary of the account's information. 
 */
   @Override
   public String toString()
       }
    * Charge a fee to the account, ignoring overdraft.
      @param amount The amount charged to the account.
    public double chargeFee(double amount)
       this._balance -= amount;
       return this._balance;
   }
    * Default fee; overloads former method.
   public double chargeFee()
       // Deduct $10 from the account.
       return chargeFee(10);
   }
    * Change the name on the account.
      @param newName Name we'd like to change the acctName to.
@throws IllegalArgumentException Thrown if the name string is empty.
   public void changeName(String newName) throws Exception
       if (newName == "")
           throw new IllegalArgumentException("newName cannot be empty");
       this._name = newName;
   }
}
```

Figure 1: Account.java

```
package lab_3;
public class ManageAccounts
{
       * Test our Account implementation.
       * @param args Not used.
* @throws Exception Not important in this example.
      public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception
            // Create an account for Sally var acct1 = new Account(1000, "Sally", new int[] {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1});
            // Create an account for Joe
var acct2 = new Account(500,
                                                       "Joe", new int[] {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2});
            // Deposit $100 into Joe's account
acct2.deposit(100);
System.out.println("Joe's new balance: " + acct2.getBalance());
            // Withdraw $50 from Sally's account
acct1.withdraw(50);
System.out.println("Sally's new balance: " + acct1.getBalance());
           // Charge fees to both accounts
acctl.chargeFee();
acctl.chargeFee(35);
            // Change the name on Joe's account to Joseph
            acct2.changeName("Joseph");
            // Print summaries of both accounts
           System.out.println();
System.out.println(acct1);
System.out.println();
System.out.println(acct2);
      }
}
```

Figure 2: ManageAccounts.java

```
package lab_3;
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.InputMismatchException;
public class Student
    private String _name = "";
private double _scoreTest1 = 0.0;
private double _scoreTest2
     private double _scoreTest2 = 0.0;
     /* My original plan was to implement the AutoCloseable interface on Student,
      * but I've since learned that calling Scanner.close in the first instance
     * actually closes the input stream System.in as well, which is a tricky side-
* effect that I'm not fond of. Hence, to avoid adding Scanner as a parameter
* to the constructor, I've decided to ignore closing the Scanner since this is
      * just for an assignment.
      * https://stackoverflow.com/q/13042008/3928184
     private Scanner _scnr;
      * Class constructor that initialize name and scores.
                        Name of the student.
        Oparam name
        @param scorel First test score.
        @param score2 Second test score
     public Student(String name, double score1, double score2)
          this._name = name;
         this._scoreTest1 = score1;
this._scoreTest2 = score2;
         this._scnr = new Scanner(System.in);
    }
      st Overloaded class constructor that sets name and sets up internal Scanner.
        @param name Name of the student.
     public Student(String name)
          this._name = name:
          this._scnr = new Scanner(System.in);
    }
      * Prompt the user for grades for tests 1 and 2.
     public void inputGrades()
         this._scoreTest1 = getGrades(1);
this._scoreTest2 = getGrades(2);
    }
        Support method to remove duplicate code.
        @return Input grade of the student.
     private double getGrades(int testNumber)
          double grade = 0.0;
         while (true)
               System.out.print("Enter student's grade for test #" + testNumber + ": ");
                   grade = this._scnr.nextDouble();
                   break:
              } catch (InputMismatchException ex) {
   System.out.println("*** Error: Please enter a float");
                    this._scnr.next();
         }
          return grade;
    }
```

Figure 3: Student.java

Figure 4: Grades.java

```
package lab_3;
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.InputMismatchException;
public class BandBooster
    private String _name;
private int _boxesSold;
     * Class constructor.
        @param name Name of the band booster.
        <code>@throws IllegalArgumentException Thrown if the name is an empty String.</code>
    public BandBooster(String name) throws IllegalArgumentException
         if (name.length() < 1) {
              throw new IllegalArgumentException("Please enter a valid name");
         }
         this._name = name;
         this._boxesSold = 0;
    }
    public String getName()
         return this._name;
     \ast Update the number of sales at the band booster.
        @param additionalBoxes Number of additional boxes sold.
    public void updateSales(int additionalBoxes)
         this._boxesSold += additionalBoxes;
    @Override
    public String toString()
         return String.format("%s: %d", this._name, this._boxesSold);
    }
     * Create instances of the BandBooster class and track sales for 3 weeks.
        @param args Not used.
        @throws IllegalArgumentException Will not be thrown here.
    public static void main(String[] args) throws IllegalArgumentException
         try (var scnr = new Scanner(System.in)) {
              var boosters = new ArrayList<BandBooster>();
              // Enter names
              do {
              boosters.add(new BandBooster(getName(scnr)));
} while (enterNames(scnr));
              // Loop for 3 weeks
              for (int i=1; i <= 3; ++i) {
    System.out.println("\n Week " + i + "\n");
                   // Enter data for each booster
for (BandBooster booster : boosters) {
    booster.updateSales(getSale(scnr, booster.getName()));
                   }
              }
              // Print information about each booster to the console
System.out.println("\nSummary: \n");
for (BandBooster booster: boosters)
                   System.out.println("
                                                 " + booster);
         }
    }
```

```
* Determine if the user would like to enter another name.
        @param scnr The scanner instance to be used for parsing input.
     private static boolean enterNames(Scanner scnr)
          System.out.print("Would you like to enter a another booster? [y|n]: "); String input = scnr.nextLine(); return !input.matches("^[^Yy].*");
     }
      * Get the name of a band booster.
        @param scnr The Scanner instance to be used for parsing input.
        @return A name.
    private static String getName(Scanner scnr)
{
          String name;
         while (true)
              System.out.print("Please enter a name: ");
name = scnr.nextLine();
if (name.length() != 0)
                    break;
         }
          return name;
     }
     /**
      * Get a number of sales from the user.
        \ensuremath{\text{\mbox{\bf CP}}} aram scnr The Scanner instance to be used for parsing input. \ensuremath{\text{\bf CP}} ereturn A number of sales.
     prı́vate static int getSale(Scanner scnr, String name) \{
         int sales;
          while (true)
               sales = scnr.nextInt();
                    break;
               } catch (InputMismatchException ex) {
    System.out.println("*** Error: Please enter an integer");
                    scnr.next();
         }
          return sales;
    }
}
```

Figure 5: BandBooster.java

```
package lab_3;
public class Name
    private String _first, _middle, _last;
   if (first.length() == 0 || middle.length() == 0 || last.length() == 0)
    throw new IllegalArgumentException("Must provide valid names");
       this._first = first;
       this._middle = middle;
       this._last = last;
   }
    public String getFirst()
       return this._first;
    public String getMiddle()
       return this._middle;
    public String getLast()
       return this._last;
    public String getFirstMiddleLast()
       return this._first + " " + this._middle + " " + this._last;
      Get the name in 'Last, First Middle' format.
      @return A string containing the name in the specified format.
    public String getLastFirstMiddle()
       return this._last + ", " + this._first + " " + this._middle;
    public boolean equals(Name other)
       this._last.equalsIgnoreCase(other.getLast());
   }
      Get the name's initials.
      @return A string containing the starting letters of each portion of the name.
    public String initials()
       }
    * Get the number of characters in the name.
      @return Number of characters.
    public int length()
       return this._first.length() + this._middle.length() + this._last.length();
}
```

Figure 6: Name.java

```
package lab_3;
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.ArrayList;
public class TestNames
     public static void main(String[] args)
{
          try (var scnr = new Scanner(System.in)) {
   var names = new ArrayList<Name>();
               // Get each name
               String[] fstName = getName(scnr);
String[] sndName = getName(scnr);
               // Create each name
names.add(new Name(fstName[0], fstName[1], fstName[2]));
names.add(new Name(sndName[0], sndName[1], sndName[2]));
               // Print info about each name
               for (Name name : names)
               {
                    System.out.println();
                    System.out.println(name.getFirstMiddleLast());
                    System.out.println(name.getLastFirstMiddle());
System.out.println(name.initials());
                    System.out.println(name.length());
               }
               if (names.get(0).equals(names.get(1)))
                    System.out.println("\nThe names are equal");
                    System.out.println("\nThe names are different");
         }
     }
      * Get a valid name from the user for creating a Name object. This must * include a First, Middle, and Last name, separated by spaces.
        @param scnr Scanner instance for parsing input data.
        @return A valid name.
     public static String[] getName(Scanner scnr)
          String[] nameParts;
          while (true)
          {
              continue;
               } else {
                    break;
          return nameParts;
    }
}
```

Figure 7: TestNames.java