

enum (enumeration)

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Introduction

- ~ If we want to represent a group of named constants then we should go for "enum".

Ex.

enum Month

JAN, FEB, MAR... DEC

}

enum Beer

KF, KO, RC, FO

Semi-colon

is

Optional.

- ~ The main objective of enum is to define our own datatypes (enumerated data types)

- ~ enum concept introduced in "1.5v".

- ~ when compared with old language's enum, Java enum is more powerful.

Internal implementation of enum

- ~ Every enum is internally implemented by using "class".
- ~ Every enum constant is always public static final.

- ~ Every enum constant represents an object of the type enum.

Ex-

enum Beer

{

KF → RC

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}

class Test

{

P S R main (sh)

{

Beer b = Beer.RC;

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S.O.P (b); // RC

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we can declare 'enum' either

within a class or outside of a class, but not inside a method.

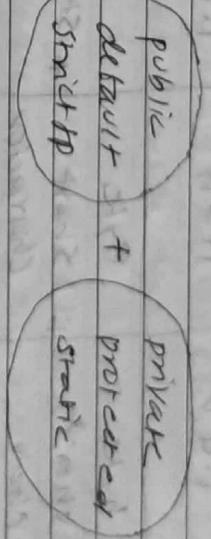
If we are trying to declare

inside a method then we will

get [C-E.]

enum types must not be local.

It we declare enum inside a class applicable modifiers are



enum outside the class, should be

able to take modifiers like (final, abstract) just like class can take but enum are implicitly final

so we can't declare final explicitly

as because enum are implicitly final we can't declare abstract bcz final abstract is illegal

combination.

enum vs switch

must not be local

until 1.4 v, the allowed argument types for the switch statement are byte, short, char, int

Op - Not much pick

→ If we pass enum type as argument to switch statement then every case label should be valid as enum constant, otherwise we will get E.I.

→ (unqualified enumeration)
constant name required

Ex: switch(b)

case b:
case c:
case k:
case f:

X case kAny:

enum vs Inheritance

→ Every enum is always direct child class of "j.l.Enum" & hence our enum can't extend any other enum (Bcz Java won't provide support for multiple inheritance)

→ Every enum is final implicitly & hence for our enum we can't create child enum.

→ Bcz of above reasons, we can't conclude, Inheritance concept not applicable for enum at instance level. We can't use "extends" keyword for enum.

Ex:

enum X

enum Y extends X



→ enum X extends j.l.Enum



class X

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enum Y extends X

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- ~ enum X does not extend class Y extends X
- ~ it cannot inherit from final C.E.2 enum types are not extensible



values() method

~ Every enum implicitly contains values() method, to list out all values present in enum.

~ Beer[] b = Beer.values()

~ note, & values() method not present in java.lang.Enum if object class is our the twist here is that "enum" keyword provides implicitly this method



java.lang.Enum

~ Every enum in java is the direct child class of "java.lang.Enum" hence this class act as base class for all Java enums.



ordinal() method

~ Inside enum, order of constants is important & we can represent this order via "ordinal value"

~ we can find the "ordinal value" of

enum constant from `"ordinal()"` method.

```
public final int ordinal()
```

→ "ordinal value" is 0-based like Array index.

Ex.

```
enum Beer { KFC, KO, RC, FO; }
```

```
class Test { }
```

Ex.

```
enum Fish { STAR, CHUPPY, GOLD; }
```

```
public class BeerTest {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Beer bt = Beer.values();  
        for (Beer b : bt) {  
            System.out.println(b);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
s.o.p("bt + " + bt)
```

```
public class FishTest {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Fish f = Fish.values();  
        for (Fish f1 : f) {  
            System.out.println(f1);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
s.o.p("FISH" + FISH)
```

~~OR :-~~

```
F0 --- 3
```

* Speciality of Java enum

→ In old language's enum, we can take only constants but in Java enum we can take methods, constructors, normal variables in addition to constants, hence Java-enum is more powerful than old language's enum.

→ Even in Java-enum, we can take main() method & we can run enum class directly from cmd.

Ex.

```
enum Fish { STAR, CHUPPY, GOLD; }  
public class FishTest {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Fish f = Fish.values();  
        for (Fish f1 : f) {  
            System.out.println(f1);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

~~OR :- ENUM MAIN METHOD~~



Note :- In addition to constants,

- If we are taking any extra member like main(), then list of constants compulsory should be at the first-line & should be end with semi-colon.

• enum Fish

Ex:- enum Fish

STAR, CUPPY → mandatory

public void m1()

- enum Fish

STAR, CUPPY

public void m1()

STAR, CUPPY → mandatory

- enum Fish

STAR, CUPPY

enum Fish

Anyway an empty enum is valid Java syntax

enum Fish

{} void m1()

{} STAR, CUPPY()

}

Inside enum if we are taking any extra member like method, compulsory the first line should contain list of constants or atleast semicolon.

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enum vs Constructor

- An enum can contain constructor
- enum constructor will be executed separately for every enum constant at the time of enum class-loading automatically.

⇒ Ex- enum Beer

{

KF, KO, RC, FO,

Beer()

{

s.o.p("constructor");

}

3

class Test

{

{ s.r.main(stu) }

{

[Beer b = Beer.RC;] ①

s.o.p("Hello");

3

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⇒ java Test -javav

Beer-class Test-class

java test

Date _____
Page _____

Beer()

{

this.price = 65;

3
public int getPrice()

2
return price;

→ If we comment line-①, the o/p

will be [Hello]

class Test

~ we can't create enum object

directly & hence we can't invoke enum constructor directly.

Beer b = new Beer(); ~~X~~

[~~E~~. enum type may not be instantiated]

for(Beer b1 = b)

{

s.o.p(b1 + " --- " +

b1.getPrice());

~ Ex.

enum Beer

{
KF(70), K0(80), RC(90), FO,

OF = KF --- 70

{

K0 --- 80

{

RC --- 90

{

FO --- 15

Note :-

KF → public static final

Beer b = new Beer();

KF(70) \Rightarrow public static final

Beer KF = new Beer(70);

~ Inside enum we can declare method but should be concrete methods only & we can't declare abstract method ..

Reason 1:- one abstract method means enum should be abstract but as it is final already final abstract combination will be illegal.

Reason 2:- As enum is final, we can't create child for it, so no one can provide implementation for abstract method in that enum.

~ Case-2

g- If we want to use any class/Interface directly from outside package then the require import is normally import.

~ It we want to use/Access static members without class name then the required import is static import.

Ex.

- import static java.lang.
Object class;
enum constants also.

Ex-

Beer.KF.equals(Beer.RC)

(\times)

Beer.KF.ordinal() >

(\times)

Beer.RC.ordinal()

(\times)

import java.util.ArrayList;

class Test

{

 public static void main(String[] args)

 {

 }

}

Importance of this topic related to enum:-

• package pack1;

public enum Fish

{

 STAR, GUPPY;

}

• package pack2;

public class Test

{

 public static void main(String[] args)

 {

 System.out.println(f.name());

 }

}

• package pack1;

public class Test

{

 public static void main(String[] args)

 {

 }

}

package pack1;

public class Test

{

 public static void main(String[] args)

 {

 }

The required import is :-

import pack1.Fish;

import static pack1.Fish.GUPPY;

import pack1.*;

import static pack1.Fish.*;

The required import is :-

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case 3 :-

enum color

BLUE, RED, GREEN;

public void intro()

s.o.p("universal color");

enum color

BLUE, RED

public void intro()

s.o.p("dangerous color");

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Output - It is 2nd enum color considered

Universal color

Universal color

Universal color

• It is 2nd enum color considered

Universal color

Dangerous color

Universal color

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This is nothing but just a
Anonymous Inner class syntax

In which we are creating
Anonymous child class & overridi
original behavior.

class Test

psr main (sh)

color c = color.values();

for (color cl : c)

s.o.p(c1.info());



enum vs Enum vs Enumeration

⇒ enum:

- Keyword in java which can be used to define a group of named constants.

⇒ Enum:

- Enum is a class in java, present in "java.lang" package.
- Every enum in java should be direct child class of java.lang.Enum, hence this class acts as base class for all enums in java.

⇒ Enumeration:

- Enumeration is an interface present in "java.util" package.
- We can use Enumeration object to get objects one by one from the collection.

End of
Enum

Start of
Internationalization