

Model 1 Common Methods

Classes are often used to represent abstract data types, such as `Color` or `Point`:

Color	Point
<code>-red: int</code> <code>-green: int</code> <code>-blue: int</code>	<code>-x: int</code> <code>-y: int</code>
<code>+Color()</code> <code>+Color(red:int,green:int,blue:int)</code> <code>+add(other:Color): Color</code> <code>+darken(): Color</code> <code>+equals(obj:Object): boolean</code> <code>+lighten(): Color</code> <code>+subtract(other:Color): Color</code> <code>+toString(): String</code>	<code>+Point()</code> <code>+Point(x:int,y:int)</code> <code>+Point(other:Point)</code> <code>+equals(obj:Object): boolean</code> <code>+getX(): int</code> <code>+getY(): int</code> <code>+setX(x:int)</code> <code>+setY(y:int)</code> <code>+toString(): String</code>

As shown in the UML diagrams, classes generally include the following kinds of methods (in addition to others):

- **constructor** methods that initialize new objects
- **accessor** methods (getters) that return attributes
- **mutator** methods (setters) that modify attributes

Questions (15 min)

Start time:

1. Identify the constructors for the `Color` class. What is the difference between them?
2. What kind of constructor does the `Point` class have that the `Color` class does not?
3. Identify an accessor method in the `Point` class.
 - a) What is the name of the method?
 - b) Which instance variable does it get?
 - c) What arguments does the method take?
 - d) What does the method return?

4. Identify a mutator method in the `Point` class.

- a) What is the name of the method?
- b) Which instance variable does it set?
- c) What arguments does the method take?
- d) What does the method return?

5. How would you define accessor methods for each attribute of the `Color` class? Write your answer using UML syntax.

6. How would you define mutator methods for each attribute of the `Color` class? Write your answer using UML syntax.

7. The `Color` class does not provide any accessors or mutators. Instead, it provides methods that return new `Color` objects. Why do you think the class was designed this way?