Chapter 7

Constructing Objects Part 2

Initializing Instance Variables

System.out.println(x + y);

public void displaySum()

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Default Values for Instance Variables

Type	Default value
byte short int long float double char boolean	0 0 0 0.0f 0.0 space false null
any class	IIUII

Explicit initialization better than using default

- 1) Not everyone knows that instance variables not explicitly initialized get default values. Explicit initialization makes clear what the initial values will be.
- 2) If Java were changed so that instance variables were given different default values or not given default values at all, classes that relied on the current default values would no longer compile to the correct bytecode.

Local variables do not have default value

```
public void f()
{
   int z;
   System.out.println(z); // error
}
```

Initializing in declaration

```
1 class Initialize2
2 {
3     private int x, y = 1;
4     //------
5     public void displaySum()
6     {
7         System.out.println(x + y);
8     }
9 }
```

More flexible to initialize in constructor

```
1 class Initialize3
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     private int x, y;
     public Initialize3(int xx, int yy)
         X = XX;
         y = yy;
```

System.out.println(x + y);

public void displaySum()

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Passing Primitive Types Vs Passing References

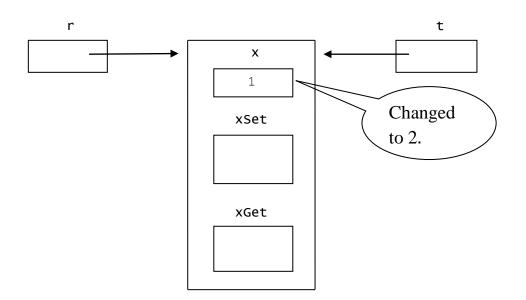
return x;

r and t point to the same object

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SideEffect r = new SideEffect(); // x is 1 here
change(r);
System.out.println(r.xGet()); // x is 2 here

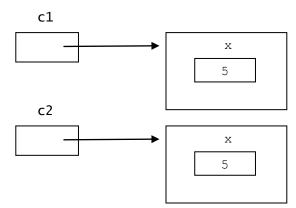
public static void change(SideEffect t)
{
    t.xSet(2); // assigns 2 to x
}
```

r is not changed. What r points to is changed.



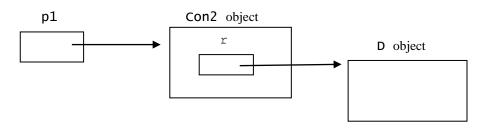
Copy Constructor

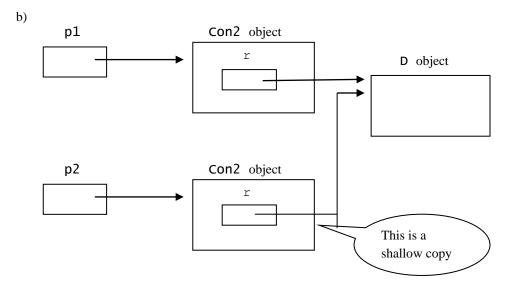
```
private int x;
      public Con1(int xx) // first constructor
         x = xx;
      public Con1(Con1 original) // copy constructor
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         x = original.x;
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14 }
16 class TestCon1
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      public static void main(String[] args)
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         Con1 c1 = new Con1(5); // calls first constructor
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         Con1 c2 = new Con1(c1); // calls second constructor
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```

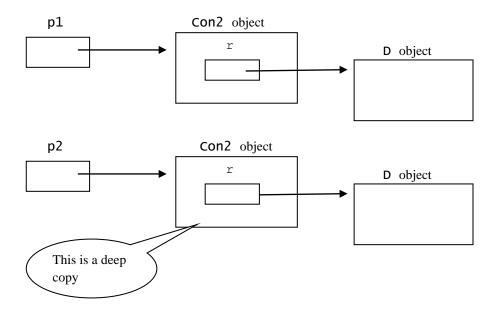


r = original.r; // bad









```
1 class Con3
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      private String r;
      private int x:
      public Con3(String rr, int xx)
         r = rr;
         X = XX:
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12
      public Con3(Con3 original) // copy constructor
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14
         r = original.r; // simple copy ok
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         x = original.x; // simple copy ok for primitives
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17 }
```

public static void main(String[] args)

Con3 m1 = new Con3("hello", 7);

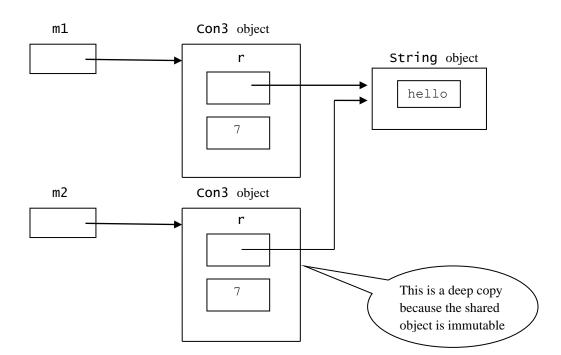
Con3 m2 = new Con3(m1);

19 class TestCon3

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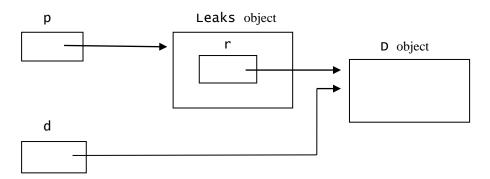
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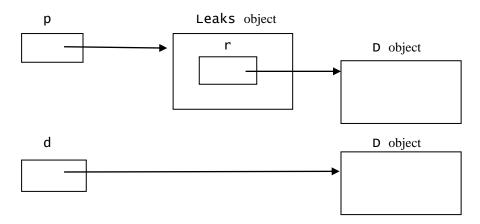
Fixing Privacy Leaks Using Copy Constructors

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1 class Leaks
      private D r;
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      public Leaks(D rr)
        r = new D();
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      pubic Leaks(Leaks original)
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         r = original.r; // bad: creates shallow copy
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      public D rGet()
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         return r; // bad: gives direct access to r object
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      public void rSet(D rr)
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23
         r = rr; // bad: gives direct access to r object
24 }
```

Bad:



Good:



```
1 class NoLeaks
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      private D r;
      public NoLeaks(D rr)
          r = new D();
      public NoLeaks(NoLeaks original)
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          r = new D(original.r); // now ok
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      public D rGet()
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          return new D(r);
                                          // now ok
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22
      public void rSet(D rr)
          r = new D(rr);
                                           // now ok
23
24 }
```