# Some Java Basics

Object Oriented Programming
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# Objects and Classes

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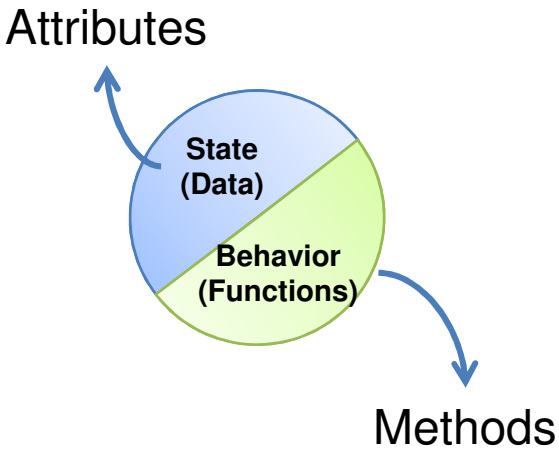
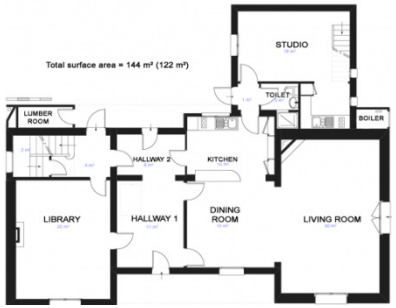
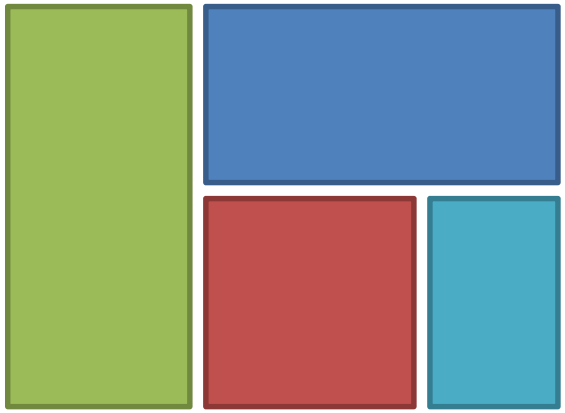



- We also know what we need in order to build/create new objects



# Classes

Objects – Instances of a class



Width, Height and Color are Common features of the rectangles

They are relevant in our abstraction of a rectangle

```
public class Rectangle {
    String color;
    double width;
    double height;

    // ... method declarations
}
```

# adding some methods/behaviors

We may want to know the perimeter or the area of a given rectangle. Who can tell us?

It's the rectangle's responsibility to inform us about these data → Telling us its area or perimeter is **a behavior**

```
public class Rectangle {
    String color;
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    double area(){
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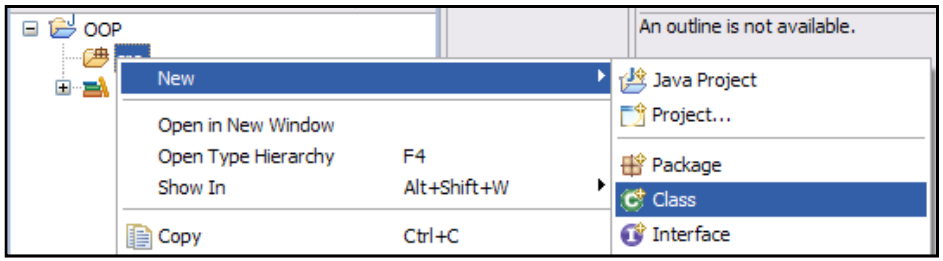


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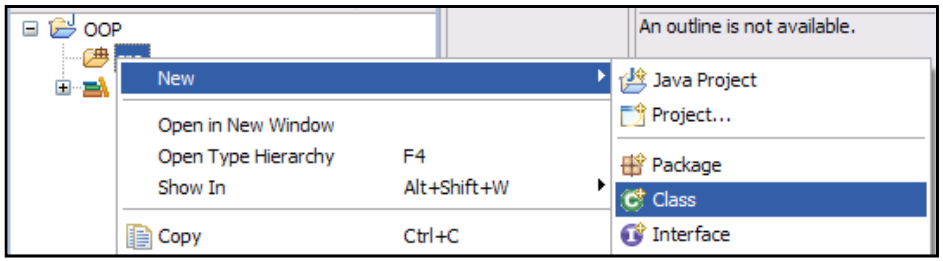


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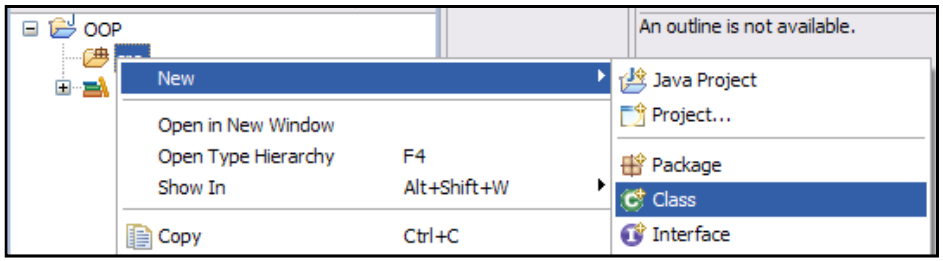


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**You need accessor methods (get/set)**
**Add a method to compute the perimeter.**
**Methods should be public**

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3. **Initialization**: The new operator is followed by a call to a constructor, which initializes the new object.

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**This is done in Client Code**

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        Rectangle re = new Rectangle();

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        re.setLength(2);
        re.setColor("green");

        System.out.println("The rectangle is " + re.getColor() +
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**First, we create two variables**
**A double and a Rectangle**

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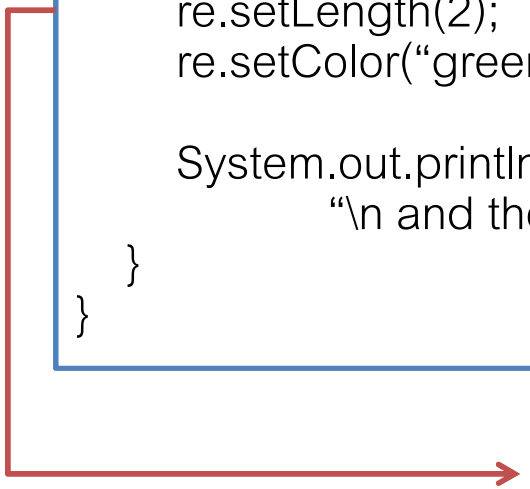

**Set the attribute's values**
**width – length – color**

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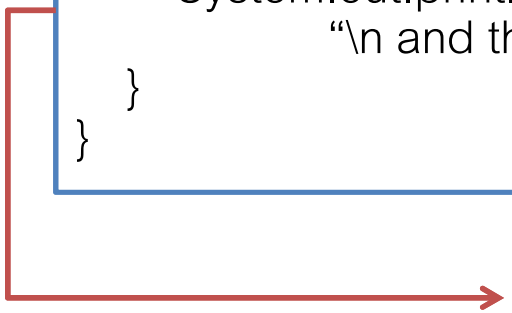

**Now we can use this values and "communicate" with the object**

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**Same example.**

**Now the Rectangle Class has an explicit constructor**

**This is: The constructor has a list of formal parameters**

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