## **Objectives**

- In this session, you will learn to:
  - Compile and run Java program
  - Explore Java class loader
  - Explore the concept of garbage collection
  - Use encapsulation in Java class design
  - Model business problems using Java classes
  - Make classes immutable
  - Create and use Java subclasses

## **How to Compile and Run**

- javac compiler:
  - Used to compile a source file
  - Syntax:

```
javac -cp <path to other classes> -d
<complier output path> <path to
source>.java
```

- Java interpreter:
  - Called java
  - Used to execute java program
  - Syntax:

```
java -cp <path to other classes> <package
name>.<classname>
```

## **How to Compile and Run (Contd.)**

- Java compiler and interpreter use the CLASSPATH environment variable to locate .class file.
- Setting CLASSPATH:
  - Use the CLASSPATH environment variable

or

■ Use -cp command line switch



### **Java Class Loader**

- Java Virtual Machine (JVM):
  - Loads the compiled Java class files.
  - Uses the java.lang.ClassLoader class.
- The -verbose flag is used during execution to see the working of the class loader.
- The following code snippet explains the concept of Java class loader:

## **Garbage Collection**

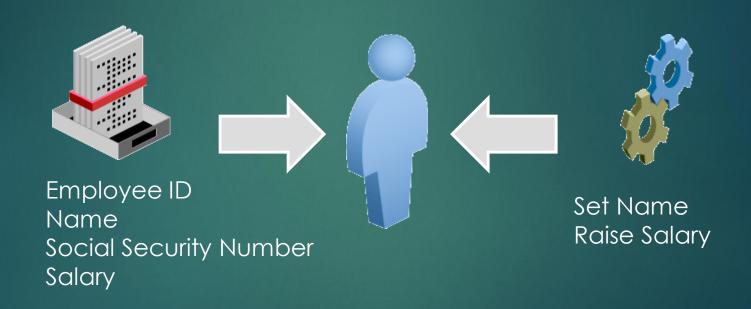
- Garbage Collection (GC):
  - Is also known as automatic memory management.
  - Is the automatic recycling of dynamically allocated memory.
  - Is performed by the garbage collector that resides in the JVM.
- In Java, the new keyword is used to dynamically allocate memory to the object.

## **Encapsulation**

- Encapsulation:
  - Means to enclose in a capsule.
  - Wraps the internal workings of a Java object.
  - Hides the data variables from the user of the object.
  - Enables methods to provide an explicit service to the user of the object but hides the implementation.

## **Encapsulation: Example**

What data and operations would you encapsulate in an object that represents an employee?



## **Encapsulation:** Private Data, Public Methods

- To hide implementation details:
  - Declare all fields of class as private.
  - Declare all the methods as public.
- The following embedded Word document shows how to implement encapsulation in a class.

#### **Public and Private Access Modifiers**

- The public keyword:
  - Applied to fields and methods
  - Allows any class in any package to access the fields or methods
- The private keyword:
  - Applied to fields and methods
  - Allows access only to other methods within the class itself

## **Revisiting Employee**

To implement encapsulation in the Employee class, make fields private, as shown in the following code snippet:

```
package come.example.model;
public class Employee
                           Encapsulation step 1:
                           Hide the data (fields).
     private int empId;
     private String name;
     private String ssn;
     private double salary;
    //... constructor and methods
```

# **Method Naming: Best Practices**

- To implement encapsulation in methods:
  - Hide as many of the implementation details as possible.
  - Name the method such that it clearly identifies its use.

## **Model Business Problems Using Java Classes**

- Model business problems:
  - The Employee class uses setters for ID, salary, and SSN fields.
  - Its fields should not change.
  - To refine the Employee class:
    - Remove the all the setter methods and define only the setName() and raiseSalary() methods.
- The following embedded Word document shows the refined version of the Employee class.

### **Make Classes** as Immutable as Possible

- The Employee class does not have the setter methods, to initialize the ID, salary, and SSN fields.
- Replace the no-arg constructor with parameterized constructor to ensure that the Employee class is immutable.
- The following code snippet can be used to replace the no-arg constructor of the Employee class:

## **Creating Subclasses**

#### Subclasses:

- Define a new class in terms of an existing class.
- Are created from an existing class, with added features, to implement specialization.
- Consider the existing class as the superclass.
- Inherit the non-private members of the superclass.
- Can access all the non-private methods of the superclass.
- Can define new methods to add more functionality.
- Do not allow the new methods to be accessible to the superclass objects.
- Use the extends keyword to inherit a superclass.
- Help in reducing redundant code from the application.

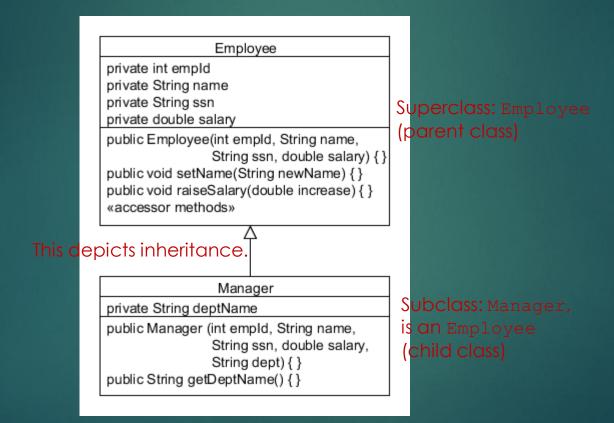
## **Creating Subclasses (Contd.)**

The following code snippet shows the Manager class that is also an Employee:

```
package com.example.domain;
      public class Manager {
    private int empId;
   private String name;
   private String ssn;
    private double salary;
    private String deptName;
// access and mutator methods...
```

## **Creating Subclasses (Contd.)**

The following diagram shows the concept of subclasses using the Employee and the Manager classes.



### **Constructors Are Not Inherited**

- Constructors:
  - Are not inherited.
  - Ways to get them:
    - Write your own constructor.
    - Use the default constructor.

## **Using super in Constructors**

- The super keyword:
  - Is used to call the constructor of the parent class.
  - Must be the first statement of the constructor.
  - If not provided, a default call to super() is inserted by the compiler.
  - May also be used to invoke a method or access the (non-private) field of the parent class.

## **Constructing a Manager Object**

The following code snippet shows how to create an object of the Manager class:

```
Manager mgr = new Manager
(102, "Barbara Jones",
"107-99-9078",
109345.67, Marketing");
```