1.1 A Way of Viewing World

- The object oriented concepts can be understood with the help of real-world examples.
- Suppose a person Mr.A wants to send a music system to a person Mr.B who lives in another city. Instead of personally delivering the music system to B, the person A will go to the shopkeeper Mr.X in his city, Mr.X will then in turn contact another shopkeeper Mr.Y in B's city by telling him what kind of music system do Mr.A expects for Mr.B. The shopkeeper Y will contact a manufacturer Mr.Z and get the desired music system from him. This music system will then be delivered to Mr.B. Thus Mr. B gets music system from Mr.A.

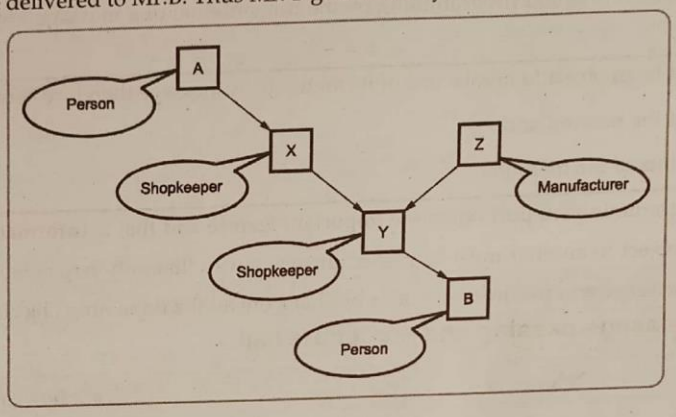


Fig. 1.1.1

With the help of above real world example let us understand the basic concepts of object oriented programming.

1.1.1 Agents and Communities

- In the above described scenario, the important thing is to find an appropriate agent and to pass the **message** to that agent. This message contains the **request**. It is the **responsibility** of Mr.X to satisfy the request. For satisfying the request Mr. X uses a **method** or an algorithm. This algorithm is usually **hidden** from Mr. A

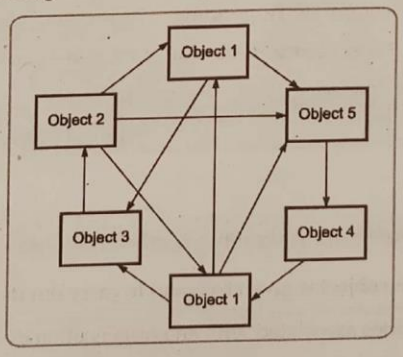


Fig. 1.1.2 Objects and community

- An object oriented program consists of a set of agents that communicate with each other. These agents are called **objects**. This communication is done by sending and receiving the **messages**.
- A collection of interacting objects form a **community** in object oriented programming.

1.1.2 Messages and Methods

- An object provides some service. A message for an object is a request made for execution of **method** for obtaining the service.

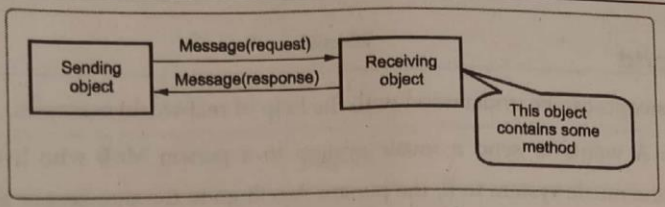


Fig. 1.1.3 Communication between two objects

- Another object containing the method, executes that method and then responds back by passing the message. Thus action is initiated in object oriented programming by the transmission of a message to the object responsible for the action

A **message** is a request to an object to invoke one of its methods. A message therefore contains,

- The **name** of the method and
- The **arguments** of the method.

- Object oriented programming support one more important feature and that is **information hiding**. When a request is passed from one object to another must be passed in such a way that only two communicating objects will know the contents of the message and this information is hidden from all the remaining objects of a community

Comparison between message passing and procedure call

Sr.No.	Messages	Procedure call
1.	The messages are passed between two objects.	A procedure is called from some function or from another procedure.
2.	There is designated receiver(object) to which the message is passed. The response to the receiver may vary with different receivers.	The resultant value to procedure call vary according to the arguments that are passed to it.
3.	As a response to a message particular method gets executed. This selection of responding method is done at run time. Hence there is a late binding between message and code fragment.	When a procedure call is made then the responding method is decided at the compile time. Hence there is a compile time binding or early binding of code fragment with procedure call.

1.1.3 Responsibilities

The behaviour of object as response is called responsibility of that object.

- In object oriented programming the object is given freedom to carry out its responsibility.
- An entire collection of responsibilities associated with an object is often described in terms of **protocol**.

1.1.4 Classes and Instances

- Each **class** is a collection of data and the functions that manipulate the data.
- The data components of class are called data fields and the function components are called **member functions** or **methods**.

- The class template can be represented as follows -

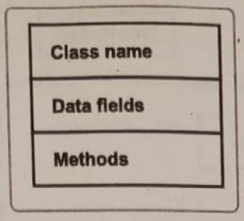


Fig. 1.1.4 Class template

- **Object** is an **instance of a class**. The objects represent the real world entity. The objects are used to provide a practical basis for the real world.
- Following is a list of objects :
  1. For the class vehicle various objects are - Alto, ZEN, SANTRO and so on.
  2. For windows operating system- the windows, icons, menus are the objects.

Difference between Class and Objects

Sr.No.	Classes	Objects (instances)
1.	The class is collection of data and the functions. These functions are used to manipulate data.	An object is an instance of a class.
2.	The class represent the basis for the object.	Object represents the real world entity.
3.	Single class can create multiple objects.	Every object is created from one at only one class.
4.	Example - Class vehicle	Example - Alto, ZEN, SANTRO are the objects of class vehicle.

University Questions

1. *Distinguish between objects and classes. Write examples.*
   JNTU : Nov.-09, Set-1, April/May-09, Set-1, Marks 8, JNTU-K, May-12, Set-3, Marks 7
2. *Discuss about methods, classes and instances.*
   JNTU : Feb.-10, Set-1, Marks 5
3. *Explain the way of viewing the world agents to oops*
   May-11, Set-4, Marks 7

1.2 Class Hierarchies(Inheritance)

- In object oriented programming, sometimes new classes can be created from the old classes. In other words new classes share some properties of old classes. For example -
- If the person X is a special category of shopkeeper or a person Z is a special category of manufacturer. At the same time any person is a mammal. Following Fig. 1.2.1 represents the class hierarchy
- There are two shopkeepers Mr.X and Mr.Y and Mr.Z is a manufacturer. These all are human beings and belong to the mammal category. Similarly the music system is made up of PCB on which the electronic components are mounted. All these classes are material objects. This class hierarchy is referred as **inheritance** because every new class inherits the properties of its ancestor class.

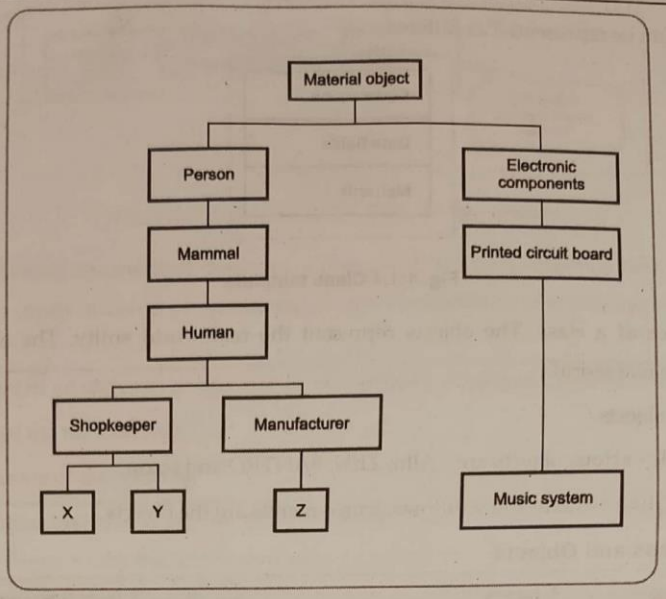


Fig. 1.2.1

University Question

1. *Explain about the class hierarchies.* **May-11, Set-1, 3, Marks 8**

1.3 Method Binding, Overriding and Exceptions

Method Binding

- Binding refers to the linking of a procedure call to the code to be executed in response to the call.
- In **satic binding** which function is to be called for a particular object is determined at the **compile time**. Selection of particular function for call is based on the type of formal parameters.
- **Dynamic binding** is a kind of binding in which it is decided at run time which function should be associated with a particular class or object.
- In dynamic binding a function is declared virtual in order to instruct compiler that the code being generated for it is of dynamic binding type.
- It is basically the polymorphic function call which will be decided in the runtime rather than the compile time.
- In dynamic binding the code associated with a given procedure call is not known until the time of the call at run-time.
- For example, suppose you have declared two classes : **Rectangle** and **square**. In both these classes there is a function **draw(point1, point2)**. Then each time a call is made **Myobject.draw(point1, point2)**, then version of **'draw'** that is to be called will depend on whether the object **Myobject** is for a **Rectangle** class or for a square class. In dynamic binding this decision is taken at runtime.

Overriding

- **Overriding** is a mechanism in which the child class makes use of the methods of old class(parent class) but while using these methods the child class makes some modifications to it. These modified methods have the same name and type signature.

Sr.No.	Message passing	Dynamic binding
1.	The messages are passed between two objects.	Dynamic binding is a mechanism by which it is decided at runtime which function should be associated with a particular class or object.
2.	There is designated receiver(object) to which the message is passed. The response to the receiver may vary with different receivers.	The associated function(receiver) is selected at runtime. This association is not known at compile time.
3.	As a response to a message particular method gets executed.	In dynamic binding the code associated with a given procedure call is not known until the time of the call at run-time.
4.	The message cannot be declared as virtual.	In dynamic binding a function is declared virtual in order to instruct compiler that the code being generated for it is of dynamic binding type

Exceptions

- Exception is an indication of some unusual event. Typically it indicates an error. When we want to detect an abnormal condition then we must **throw** an exception. The exception that is thrown must be caught. This process of catching the exception is useful to get appropriate error message.
- In Java exception is handled using the **try-catch** block.

University Questions

1. *Distinguish the following - Dynamic binding and message passing.* **JNTU : April/May-09, Set-3, Marks 8**
2. *Discuss about overriding and exceptions.* **JNTU : Feb.-10, Set-2, Marks 5**

1.4 Summary of Object Oriented Concepts

- Following are the characteristics of object oriented programming.
  1. Everything is an object.
  2. Objects communicate with each other by sending or receiving the messages. When an object sends a requesting message to another object then appropriate action gets executed. The requesting message sends the arguments that are required to execute the corresponding action.
  3. Each object has its own memory. Other objects may share this memory.
  4. Every object is an instance of a class. Basically a class is a collection of similar objects.
  5. Every class stores **behaviour** of corresponding objects. Thus all the objects that are instances of same class execute same actions.
  6. Classes are normally arranged in hierarchical manner. This hierarchy is typically known as class hierarchy. The memory and behaviour of parent class is automatically available to its child class.

What is Java

Java is a **programming language** and a **platform**. Java is a high level, robust, object-oriented and secure programming language.

Java was developed by *Sun Microsystems* (which is now the subsidiary of Oracle) in the year 1995. *James Gosling* is known as the father of Java. Before Java, its name was *Oak*. Since Oak was already a registered company, so James Gosling and his team changed the Oak name to Java.

History of Java

1. History of Java
2. Java Version History

The history of Java is very interesting. Java was originally designed for interactive television, but it was too advanced technology for the digital cable television industry at the time. The history of Java starts with the Green Team. Java team members (also known as **Green Team**), initiated this project to develop a language for digital devices such as set-top boxes, televisions, etc. However, it was suited for internet programming. Later, Java technology was incorporated by Netscape.

The principles for creating Java programming were "Simple, Robust, Portable, Platform-independent, Secured, High Performance, Multithreaded, Architecture Neutral, Object-Oriented, Interpreted, and Dynamic". Java was developed by James Gosling, who is known as the father of Java, in 1995. James Gosling and his team members started the project in the early '90s.

Currently, Java is used in internet programming, mobile devices, games, e-business solutions, etc. There are given significant points that describe the history of Java.

1) **James Gosling**, **Mike Sheridan**, and **Patrick Naughton** initiated the Java language project in June 1991. The small team of sun engineers called **Green Team**.

2) Initially designed for small, embedded systems in electronic appliances like set-top boxes.

3) Firstly, it was called **"Greentalk"** by James Gosling, and the file extension was .gt.

4) After that, it was called **Oak** and was developed as a part of the Green project.

Why Java named "Oak"?

5) **Why Oak?** Oak is a symbol of strength and chosen as a national tree of many countries like the U.S.A., France, Germany, Romania, etc.

6) In 1995, Oak was renamed as **"Java"** because it was already a trademark by Oak Technologies.

7) **Why had they chosen java name for Java language?** The team gathered to choose a new name. The suggested words were "dynamic", "revolutionary", "Silk", "jolt", "DNA", etc. They wanted something that reflected the essence of the technology: revolutionary, dynamic, lively, cool, unique, and easy to spell and fun to say.

According to James Gosling, "Java was one of the top choices along with **Silk**". Since Java was so unique, most of the team members preferred Java than other names.

8) Java is an island of Indonesia where the first coffee was produced (called java coffee). It is a kind of espresso bean. Java name was chosen by James Gosling while having coffee near his office.

9) Notice that Java is just a name, not an acronym.

10) Initially developed by James Gosling at Sun Microsystems (which is now a subsidiary of Oracle Corporation) and released in 1995.

11) In 1995, Time magazine called **Java one of the Ten Best Products of 1995**.

12) JDK 1.0 released in(January 23, 1996). After the first release of Java, there have been many additional features added to the language. Now Java is being used in Windows applications, Web applications, enterprise applications, mobile applications, cards, etc. Each new version adds the new features in Java.

Java Version History

Many java versions have been released till now. The current stable release of Java is Java SE 10.

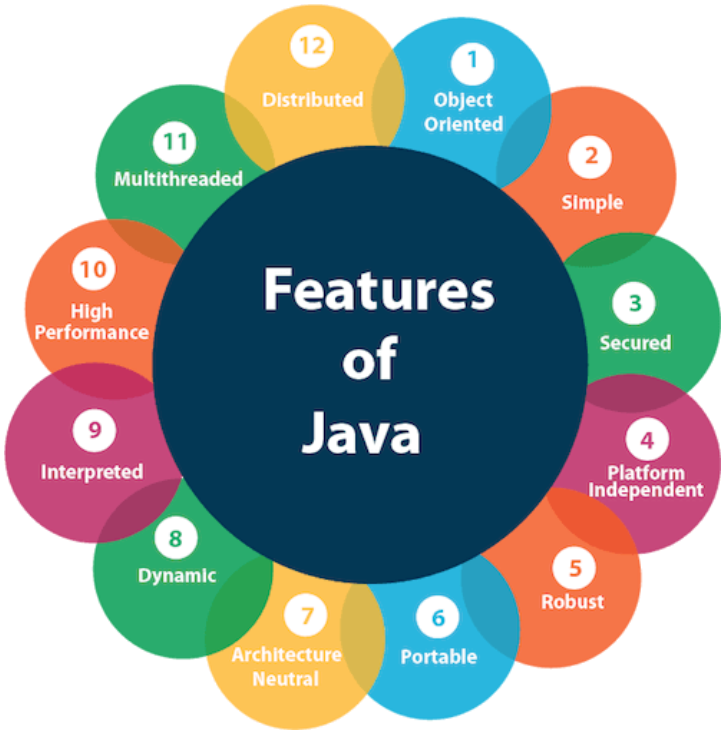
1. JDK Alpha and Beta (1995)
2. JDK 1.0 (23rd Jan 1996)
3. JDK 1.1 (19th Feb 1997)
4. J2SE 1.2 (8th Dec 1998)
5. J2SE 1.3 (8th May 2000)
6. J2SE 1.4 (6th Feb 2002)
7. J2SE 5.0 (30th Sep 2004)
8. Java SE 6 (11th Dec 2006)
9. Java SE 7 (28th July 2011)
10. Java SE 8 (18th Mar 2014)
11. Java SE 9 (21st Sep 2017)
12. Java SE 10 (20th Mar 2018)

Features of Java

The primary objective of Java programming language creation was to make it portable, simple and secure programming language. Apart from this, there are also some excellent features which play an important role in the popularity of this language. The features of Java are also known as java *buzzwords*.

A list of most important features of Java language is given below.

1. Simple
2. Object-Oriented
3. Portable
4. Platform independent
5. Secured
6. Robust
7. Architecture neutral
8. Interpreted
9. High Performance
10. Multithreaded
11. Distributed
12. Dynamic



Simple

Java is very easy to learn, and its syntax is simple, clean and easy to understand. According to Sun, Java language is a simple programming language because:

- Java syntax is based on C++ (so easier for programmers to learn it after C++).
- Java has removed many complicated and rarely-used features, for example, explicit pointers, operator overloading, etc.
- There is no need to remove unreferenced objects because there is an Automatic Garbage Collection in Java.

Object-oriented

Java is an object-oriented programming language. Everything in Java is an object. Object-oriented means we organize our software as a combination of different types of objects that incorporates both data and behavior.

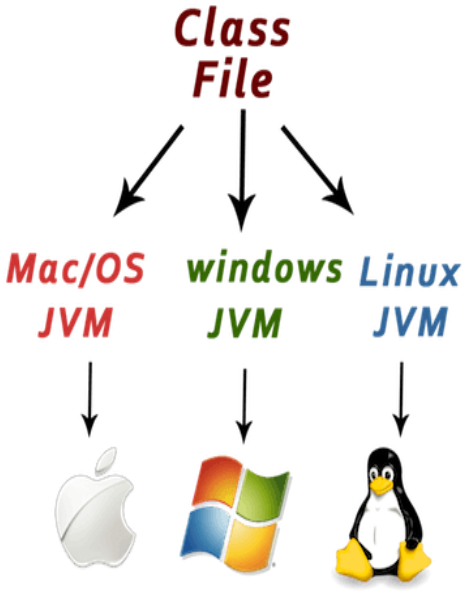
Object-oriented programming (OOPs) is a methodology that simplifies software development and maintenance by providing some rules.

Basic concepts of OOPs are:

1. Object
2. Class
3. Inheritance
4. Polymorphism
5. Abstraction
6. Encapsulation

Platform Independent

Java is platform independent because it is different from other languages like C, C++, etc. which are compiled into platform specific machines while Java is a write once, run anywhere language. A platform is the hardware or software environment in which a program runs.



There are two types of platforms software-based and hardware-based. Java provides a software-based platform.

The Java platform differs from most other platforms in the sense that it is a software-based platform that runs on the top of other hardware-based platforms. It has two components:

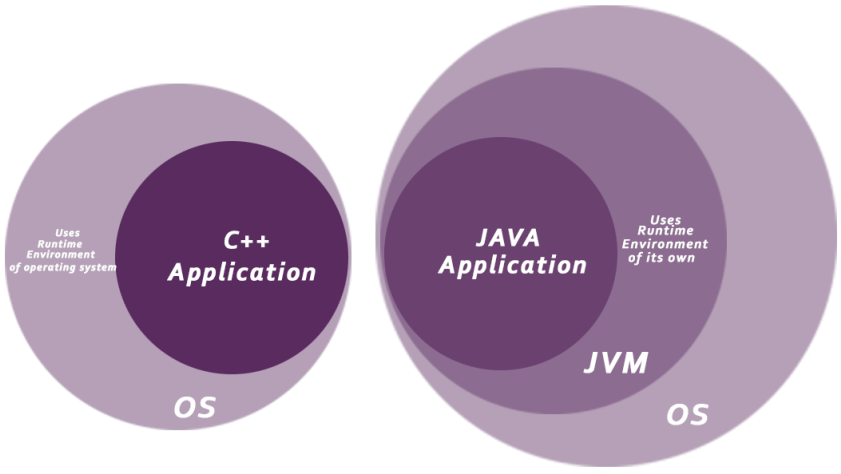
1. Runtime Environment
2. API(Application Programming Interface)

Java code can be run on multiple platforms, for example, Windows, Linux, Sun Solaris, Mac/OS, etc. Java code is compiled by the compiler and converted into bytecode. This bytecode is a platform-independent code because it can be run on multiple platforms, i.e., Write Once and Run Anywhere(WORA).

Secured

Java is best known for its security. With Java, we can develop virus-free systems. Java is secured because:

- **No explicit pointer**
- **Java Programs run inside a virtual machine sandbox**



- **Classloader:** Classloader in Java is a part of the Java Runtime Environment(JRE) which is used to load Java classes into the Java Virtual Machine dynamically. It adds security by separating the package for the classes of the local file system from those that are imported from network sources.
- **Bytecode Verifier:** It checks the code fragments for illegal code that can violate access right to objects.
- **Security Manager:** It determines what resources a class can access such as reading and writing to the local disk.

Java language provides these securities by default. Some security can also be provided by an application developer explicitly through SSL, JAAS, Cryptography, etc.

Robust

Robust simply means strong. Java is robust because:

- It uses strong memory management.
- There is a lack of pointers that avoids security problems.
- There is automatic garbage collection in java which runs on the Java Virtual Machine to get rid of objects which are not being used by a Java application anymore.
- There are exception handling and the type checking mechanism in Java. All these points make Java robust.

Architecture-neutral

Java is architecture neutral because there are no implementation dependent features, for example, the size of primitive types is fixed.

In C programming, int data type occupies 2 bytes of memory for 32-bit architecture and 4 bytes of memory for 64-bit architecture. However, it occupies 4 bytes of memory for both 32 and 64-bit architectures in Java.

Portable

Java is portable because it facilitates you to carry the Java bytecode to any platform. It doesn't require any implementation.

High-performance

Java is faster than other traditional interpreted programming languages because Java bytecode is "close" to native code. It is still a little bit slower than a compiled language (e.g., C++). Java is an interpreted language that is why it is slower than compiled languages, e.g., C, C++, etc.

Distributed

Java is distributed because it facilitates users to create distributed applications in Java. RMI and EJB are used for creating distributed applications. This feature of Java makes us able to access files by calling the methods from any machine on the internet.

Multi-threaded

A thread is like a separate program, executing concurrently. We can write Java programs that deal with many tasks at once by defining multiple threads. The main advantage of multi-threading is that it doesn't occupy memory for each thread. It shares a common memory area. Threads are important for multi-media, Web applications, etc.

Dynamic

Java is a dynamic language. It supports dynamic loading of classes. It means classes are loaded on demand. It also supports functions from its native languages, i.e., C and C++.

Java supports dynamic compilation and automatic memory management (garbage collection).

Difference between JDK, JRE, and JVM

We must understand the differences between JDK, JRE, and JVM before proceeding further to Java. See the brief overview of JVM here.

If you want to get the detailed knowledge of Java Virtual Machine, move to the next page. Firstly, let's see the differences between the JDK, JRE, and JVM.

JVM

JVM (Java Virtual Machine) is an abstract machine. It is called a virtual machine because it doesn't physically exist. It is a specification that provides a runtime environment in which Java bytecode can be executed. It can also run those programs which are written in other languages and compiled to Java bytecode.

JVMs are available for many hardware and software platforms. JVM, JRE, and JDK are platform dependent because the configuration of each OS is different from each other. However, Java is platform independent. There are three notions of the JVM: *specification*, *implementation*, and *instance*.

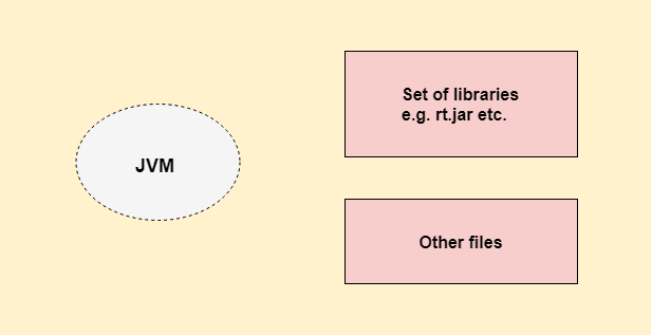
The JVM performs the following main tasks:

- Loads code
- Verifies code
- Executes code
- Provides runtime environment

JRE

JRE is an acronym for Java Runtime Environment. It is also written as Java RTE. The Java Runtime Environment is a set of software tools which are used for developing Java applications. It is used to provide the runtime environment. It is the implementation of JVM. It physically exists. It contains a set of libraries + other files that JVM uses at runtime.

The implementation of JVM is also actively released by other companies besides Sun Micro Systems.



(JRE)

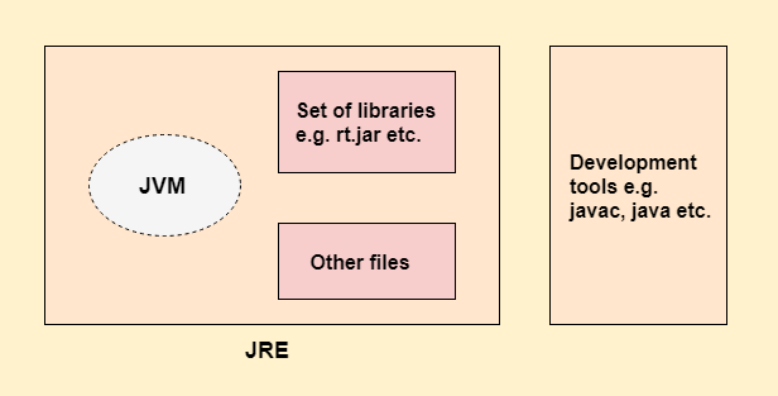
JDK

JDK is an acronym for Java Development Kit. The Java Development Kit (JDK) is a software development environment which is used to develop Java applications and applets. It physically exists. It contains JRE + development tools.

JDK is an implementation of any one of the below given Java Platforms released by Oracle Corporation:

- Standard Edition Java Platform
- Enterprise Edition Java Platform
- Micro Edition Java Platform

The JDK contains a private Java Virtual Machine (JVM) and a few other resources such as an interpreter/loader (java), a compiler (javac), an archiver (jar), a documentation generator (Javadoc), etc. to complete the development of a Java Application.



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Java Variables

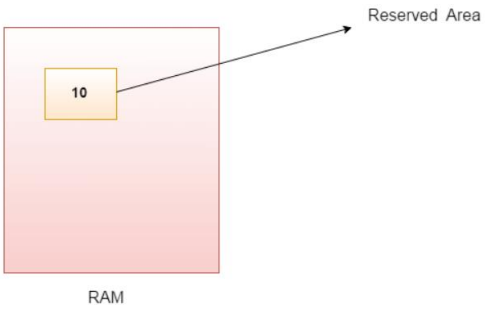
A variable is a container which holds the value while the Java program is executed. A variable is assigned with a data type.

Variable is a name of memory location. There are three types of variables in java: local, instance and static.

There are two types of data types in Java: primitive and non-primitive.

Variable

Variable is name of *reserved area allocated in memory*. In other words, it is a *name of memory location*. It is a combination of "vary + able" that means its value can be changed.

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int data=50;//Here data is variable
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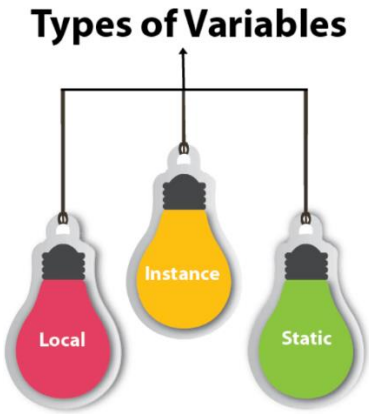
Types of Variables

There are three types of variables in Java:

- local variable
- instance variable
- static variable



1) Local Variable

A variable declared inside the body of the method is called local variable. You can use this variable only within that method and the other methods in the class aren't even aware that the variable exists.

A local variable cannot be defined with "static" keyword.

2) Instance Variable

A variable declared inside the class but outside the body of the method, is called instance variable. It is not declared as static.

It is called instance variable because its value is instance specific and is not shared among instances.

3) Static variable

A variable which is declared as static is called static variable. It cannot be local. You can create a single copy of static variable and share among all the instances of the class. Memory allocation for static variable happens only once when the class is loaded in the memory.

Example to understand the types of variables in java

```
class A{
int data=50;//instance variable
static int m=100;//static variable
void method(){
int n=90;//local variable
}
}//end of class
```

Java Variable Example: Add Two Numbers

```
class Simple{
public static void main(String[] args){
int a=10;
int b=10;
int c=a+b;
System.out.println(c);
}}
```

Output:

```
20
```

Data Types in Java

Data types specify the different sizes and values that can be stored in the variable. There are two types of data types in Java:

1. **Primitive data types:** The primitive data types include boolean, char, byte, short, int, long, float and double.
2. **Non-primitive data types:** The non-primitive data types include Classes, Interfaces, and Arrays.

Java Primitive Data Types

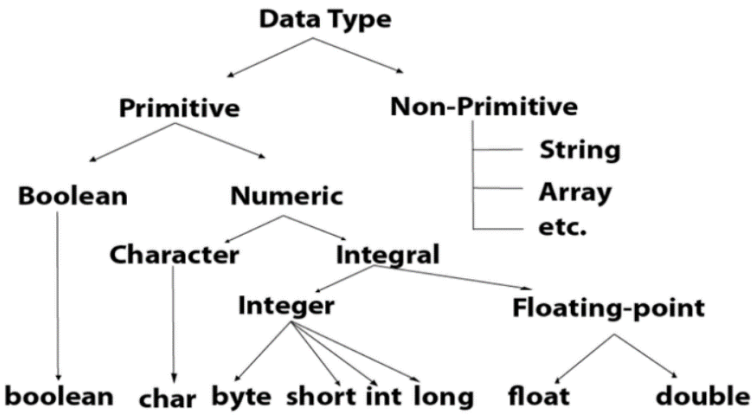
In Java language, primitive data types are the building blocks of data manipulation. These are the most basic data types available in Java language.

Java is a statically-typed programming language. It means, all variables must be declared before its use. That is why we need to declare variable's type and name.

here are 8 types of primitive data types:

- boolean data type
- byte data type
- char data type
- short data type

- int data type
- long data type
- float data type
- double data type



Data Type	Default Value	Default size
boolean	false	1 bit
char	'\u0000'	2 byte
byte	0	1 byte
short	0	2 byte
int	0	4 byte
long	0L	8 byte
float	0.0f	4 byte
double	0.0d	8 byte

Boolean Data Type

The Boolean data type is used to store only two possible values: true and false. This data type is used for simple flags that track true/false conditions.

The Boolean data type specifies one bit of information, but its "size" can't be defined precisely.

Example: Boolean one = false

Byte Data Type

The byte data type is an example of primitive data type. It isan 8-bit signed two's complement integer. Its value-range lies between -128 to 127 (inclusive). Its minimum value is -128 and maximum value is 127. Its default value is 0.

The byte data type is used to save memory in large arrays where the memory savings is most required. It saves space because a byte is 4 times smaller than an integer. It can also be used in place of "int" data type.

Example: byte a = 10, byte b = -20

Short Data Type

The short data type is a 16-bit signed two's complement integer. Its value-range lies between -32,768 to 32,767 (inclusive). Its minimum value is -32,768 and maximum value is 32,767. Its default value is 0.

The short data type can also be used to save memory just like byte data type. A short data type is 2 times smaller than an integer.

Example: short s = 10000, short r = -5000

Int Data Type

The int data type is a 32-bit signed two's complement integer. Its value-range lies between -2,147,483,648 (-2^31) to 2,147,483,647 (2^31 -1) (inclusive). Its minimum value is -2,147,483,648and maximum value is 2,147,483,647. Its default value is 0.

The int data type is generally used as a default data type for integral values unless if there is no problem about memory.

Example: int a = 100000, int b = -200000

Long Data Type

The long data type is a 64-bit two's complement integer. Its value-range lies between -9,223,372,036,854,775,808(-2^63) to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807(2^63 -1)(inclusive). Its minimum value is - 9,223,372,036,854,775,808and maximum value is 9,223,372,036,854,775,807. Its default value is 0. The long data type is used when you need a range of values more than those provided by int.

Example: long a = 100000L, long b = -200000L

Float Data Type

The float data type is a single-precision 32-bit IEEE 754 floating point.Its value range is unlimited. It is recommended to use a float (instead of double) if you need to save memory in large arrays of floating point numbers. The float data type should never be used for precise values, such as currency. Its default value is 0.0F.

Example: float f1 = 234.5f

Double Data Type

The double data type is a double-precision 64-bit IEEE 754 floating point. Its value range is unlimited. The double data type is generally used for decimal values just like float. The double data type also should never be used for precise values, such as currency. Its default value is 0.0d.

Example: double d1 = 12.3

Char Data Type

The char data type is a single 16-bit Unicode character. Its value-range lies between '\u0000' (or 0) to '\uffff' (or 65,535 inclusive).The char data type is used to store characters.

Example: char letterA = 'A'

Why char uses 2 byte in java and what is \u0000 ?

It is because java uses Unicode system not ASCII code system. The \u0000 is the lowest range of Unicode system.

Operators in Java

Operator in Java is a symbol which is used to perform operations. For example: +, -, *, / etc.

There are many types of operators in Java which are given below:

- Unary Operator,
- Arithmetic Operator,
- Shift Operator,
- Relational Operator,
- Bitwise Operator,
- Logical Operator,
- Ternary Operator and
- Assignment Operator.

Java Operator Precedence

Operator Type	Category	Precedence
Unary	postfix	*expr*++ *expr*--
	prefix	++*expr* --*expr* +*expr* -*expr* ~ !
Arithmetic	multiplicative	* / %

	additive	+ -
Shift	shift	<< >> >>>
Relational	comparison	< > <= >= instanceof
	equality	== !=
Bitwise	bitwise AND	&
	bitwise exclusive OR	^
	bitwise inclusive OR	|
Logical	logical AND	&&
	logical OR	||
Ternary	ternary	? :
Assignment	assignment	= += -= *= /= %= &= ^= |= <<= >>= >>>=

Java Keywords

Java keywords are also known as **reserved words**. Keywords are particular words which acts as a key to a code. These are predefined words by Java so it cannot be used as a variable or object name.

List of Java Keywords

A list of Java keywords or reserved words are given below:

1. **abstract:** Java abstract keyword is used to declare abstract class. Abstract class can provide the implementation of interface. It can have abstract and non-abstract methods.
2. **boolean:** Java boolean keyword is used to declare a variable as a boolean type. It can hold True and False values only.
3. **break:** Java break keyword is used to break loop or switch statement. It breaks the current flow of the program at specified condition.
4. **byte:** Java byte keyword is used to declare a variable that can hold an 8-bit data values.
5. **case:** Java case keyword is used to with the switch statements to mark blocks of text.

6. **catch:** Java catch keyword is used to catch the exceptions generated by try statements. It must be used after the try block only.
7. **char:** Java char keyword is used to declare a variable that can hold unsigned 16-bit Unicode characters
8. **class:** Java class keyword is used to declare a class.
9. **continue:** Java continue keyword is used to continue the loop. It continues the current flow of the program and skips the remaining code at the specified condition.
10. **default:** Java default keyword is used to specify the default block of code in a switch statement.
11. **do:** Java do keyword is used in control statement to declare a loop. It can iterate a part of the program several times.
12. **double:** Java double keyword is used to declare a variable that can hold a 64-bit floating-point numbers.
13. **else:** Java else keyword is used to indicate the alternative branches in an if statement.
14. **enum:** Java enum keyword is used to define a fixed set of constants. Enum constructors are always private or default.
15. **extends:** Java extends keyword is used to indicate that a class is derived from another class or interface.
16. **final:** Java final keyword is used to indicate that a variable holds a constant value. It is applied with a variable. It is used to restrict the user.
17. **finally:** Java finally keyword indicates a block of code in a try-catch structure. This block is always executed whether exception is handled or not.
18. **float:** Java float keyword is used to declare a variable that can hold a 32-bit floating-point number.
19. **for:** Java for keyword is used to start a for loop. It is used to execute a set of instructions/functions repeatedly when some conditions become true. If the number of iteration is fixed, it is recommended to use for loop.
20. **if:** Java if keyword tests the condition. It executes the if block if condition is true.
21. **implements:** Java implements keyword is used to implement an interface.
22. **import:** Java import keyword makes classes and interfaces available and accessible to the current source code.
23. **instanceof:** Java instanceof keyword is used to test whether the object is an instance of the specified class or implements an interface.
24. **int:** Java int keyword is used to declare a variable that can hold a 32-bit signed integer.
25. **interface:** Java interface keyword is used to declare an interface. It can have only abstract methods.
26. **long:** Java long keyword is used to declare a variable that can hold a 64-bit integer.

27. **native:** Java native keyword is used to specify that a method is implemented in native code using JNI (Java Native Interface).
28. **new:** Java new keyword is used to create new objects.
29. **null:** Java null keyword is used to indicate that a reference does not refer to anything. It removes the garbage value.
30. **package:** Java package keyword is used to declare a Java package that includes the classes.
31. **private:** Java private keyword is an access modifier. It is used to indicate that a method or variable may be accessed only in the class in which it is declared.
32. **protected:** Java protected keyword is an access modifier. It can be accessible within package and outside the package but through inheritance only. It can't be applied on the class.
33. **public:** Java public keyword is an access modifier. It is used to indicate that an item is accessible anywhere. It has the widest scope among all other modifiers.
34. **return:** Java return keyword is used to return from a method when its execution is complete.
35. **short:** Java short keyword is used to declare a variable that can hold a 16-bit integer.
36. **static:** Java static keyword is used to indicate that a variable or method is a class method. The static keyword in Java is used for memory management mainly.
37. **strictfp:** Java strictfp is used to restrict the floating-point calculations to ensure portability.
38. **super:** Java super keyword is a reference variable that is used to refer parent class object. It can be used to invoke immediate parent class method.
39. **switch:** The Java switch keyword contains a switch statement that executes code based on test value. The switch statement tests the equality of a variable against multiple values.
40. **synchronized:** Java synchronized keyword is used to specify the critical sections or methods in multithreaded code.
41. **this:** Java this keyword can be used to refer the current object in a method or constructor.
42. **throw:** The Java throw keyword is used to explicitly throw an exception. The throw keyword is mainly used to throw custom exception. It is followed by an instance.
43. **throws:** The Java throws keyword is used to declare an exception. Checked exception can be propagated with throws.
44. **transient:** Java transient keyword is used in serialization. If you define any data member as transient, it will not be serialized.
45. **try:** Java try keyword is used to start a block of code that will be tested for exceptions. The try block must be followed by either catch or finally block.
46. **void:** Java void keyword is used to specify that a method does not have a return value.

47. **volatile:** Java volatile keyword is used to indicate that a variable may change asynchronously.
48. **while:** Java while keyword is used to start a while loop. This loop iterates a part of the program several times. If the number of iteration is not fixed, it is recommended to use while loop.

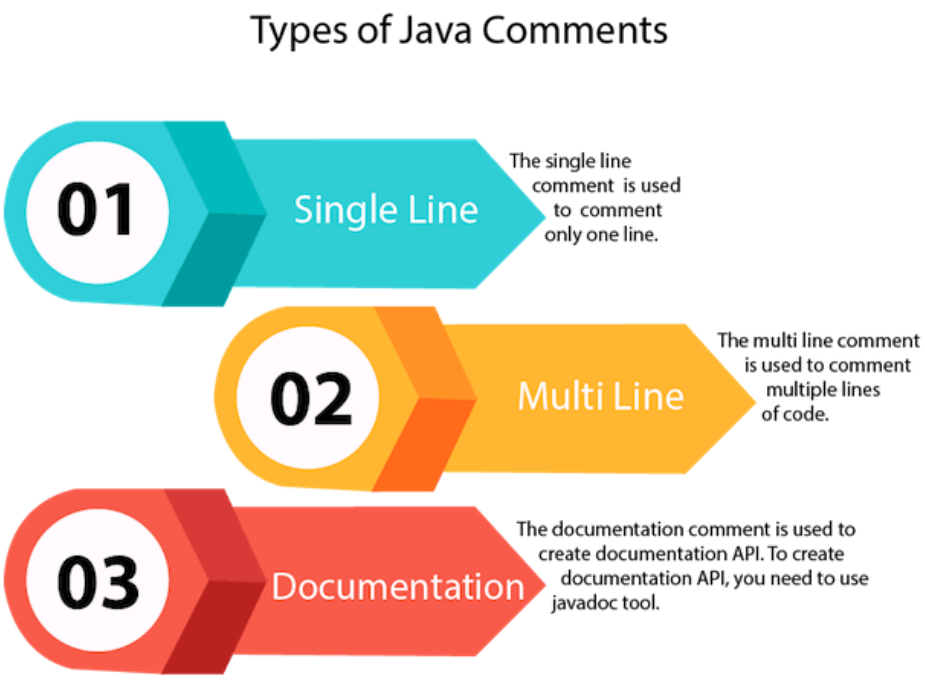
Java Comments

The Java comments are the statements that are not executed by the compiler and interpreter. The comments can be used to provide information or explanation about the variable, method, class or any statement. It can also be used to hide program code.

Types of Java Comments

There are three types of comments in Kava.

1. Single Line Comment
2. Multi Line Comment
3. Documentation Comment



1) Java Single Line Comment

The single line comment is used to comment only one line.

Syntax:

```
//This is single line comment
```

Example:

```
public class CommentExample1 {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   int i=10;//Here, i is a variable
   System.out.println(i);
}
}
```

Output:

```
10
```

2) Java Multi Line Comment

The multi line comment is used to comment multiple lines of code.

Syntax:

```
/*
This
is
multi line
comment
*/
```

Example:

```
public class CommentExample2 {
public static void main(String[] args) {
/* Let's declare and
 print variable in java. */
   int i=10;
   System.out.println(i);
}
}
```

Output:

```
10
```

3) Java Documentation Comment

The documentation comment is used to create documentation API. To create documentation API, you need to use **javadoc tool**.

Syntax:

```
/**
```

```
This
is
documentation
comment
*/
```

Example:

```
/** The Calculator class provides methods to get addition and subtraction of given 2
 numbers.*/
public class Calculator {
/** The add() method returns addition of given numbers.*/
public static int add(int a, int b){return a+b;}
/** The sub() method returns subtraction of given numbers.*/
public static int sub(int a, int b){return a-b;}
}
```

Compile it by javac tool:

```
javac Calculator.java
```

Create Documentation API by javadoc tool:

```
javadoc Calculator.java
```

Now, there will be HTML files created for your Calculator class in the current directory. Open the HTML files and see the explanation of Calculator class provided through documentation comment.

Java If-else Statement

The Java *if statement* is used to test the condition. It checks boolean condition: *true* or *false*. There are various types of if statement in Java.

- if statement
- if-else statement
- if-else-if ladder
- nested if statement

Java if Statement

The Java if statement tests the condition. It executes the *if block* if condition is true.

Syntax:

```
if(condition){
//code to be executed
}
```

Example:

```
//Java Program to demonstate the use of if statement.
public class IfExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   //defining an 'age' variable
   int age=20;
   //checking the age
   if(age>18){
      System.out.print("Age is greater than 18");
   }
}
}
```

Output:

```
Age is greater than 18
```

Java if-else Statement

The Java if-else statement also tests the condition. It executes the *if block* if condition is true otherwise *else block* is executed.

Syntax:

```
if(condition){
//code if condition is true
}else{
//code if condition is false
}
```

Example:

```
//A Java Program to demonstrate the use of if-else statement.
//It is a program of odd and even number.
public class IfElseExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   //defining a variable
   int number=13;
   //Check if the number is divisible by 2 or not
   if(number%2==0){
      System.out.println("even number");
   }else{
      System.out.println("odd number");
   }
```

```
}
}
```

Output:

```
odd number
```

Leap Year Example:

A year is leap, if it is divisible by 4 and 400. But, not by 100.

```
public class LeapYearExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int year=2020;
    if(((year % 4 ==0) && (year % 100 !=0)) || (year % 400==0)){
        System.out.println("LEAP YEAR");
    }
    else{
        System.out.println("COMMON YEAR");
    }
}
}
```

Output:

```
LEAP YEAR
```

Java if-else-if ladder Statement

The if-else-if ladder statement executes one condition from multiple statements.

Syntax:

```
if(condition1){
//code to be executed if condition1 is true
}else if(condition2){
//code to be executed if condition2 is true
}
else if(condition3){
//code to be executed if condition3 is true
}
...
else{
//code to be executed if all the conditions are false
}
```

Example:

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the use of If else-if ladder.
//It is a program of grading system for fail, D grade, C grade, B grade, A grade and
A+.
public class IfElseIfExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int marks=65;

    if(marks<50){
        System.out.println("fail");
    }
    else if(marks>=50 && marks<60){
        System.out.println("D grade");
    }
    else if(marks>=60 && marks<70){
        System.out.println("C grade");
    }
    else if(marks>=70 && marks<80){
        System.out.println("B grade");
    }
    else if(marks>=80 && marks<90){
        System.out.println("A grade");
    }else if(marks>=90 && marks<100){
        System.out.println("A+ grade");
    }else{
        System.out.println("Invalid!");
    }
}
}
```

Output:

```
C grade
```

Program to check POSITIVE, NEGATIVE or ZERO:

```
public class PositiveNegativeExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int number=-13;
    if(number>0){
    System.out.println("POSITIVE");
    }else if(number<0){
```

```
        System.out.println("NEGATIVE");
        }else{
        System.out.println("ZERO");
       }
    }
    }
```

Output:

```
NEGATIVE
```

Java Nested if statement

The nested if statement represents the *if block within another if block*. Here, the inner if block condition executes only when outer if block condition is true.

Syntax:

```
if(condition){
    //code to be executed
        if(condition){
          //code to be executed
    }
}
```

Example:

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the use of Nested If Statement.
public class JavaNestedIfExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    //Creating two variables for age and weight
    int age=20;
    int weight=80;
    //applying condition on age and weight
    if(age>=18){
        if(weight>50){
            System.out.println("You are eligible to donate blood");
        }
    }
}}
```

Output:

```
You are eligible to donate blood
```

Example 2:

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the use of Nested If Statement.
public class JavaNestedIfExample2 {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   //Creating two variables for age and weight
   int age=25;
   int weight=48;
   //applying condition on age and weight
   if(age>=18){
      if(weight>50){
         System.out.println("You are eligible to donate blood");
      } else{
         System.out.println("You are not eligible to donate blood");
      }
   } else{
     System.out.println("Age must be greater than 18");
   }
} }
```

Output:

```
You are not eligible to donate blood
```

Java Switch Statement

The Java *switch statement* executes one statement from multiple conditions. It is like if-else-if ladder statement. The switch statement works with byte, short, int, long, enum types, String and some wrapper types like Byte, Short, Int, and Long. Since Java 7, you can use strings in the switch statement.

In other words, the switch statement tests the equality of a variable against multiple values.

Points to Remember

- There can be *one or N number of case values* for a switch expression.
- The case value must be of switch expression type only. The case value must be *literal or constant*. It doesn't allow variables.
- The case values must be *unique*. In case of duplicate value, it renders compile-time error.
- The Java switch expression must be of *byte, short, int, long (with its Wrapper type), enums and string*.
- Each case statement can have a *break statement* which is optional. When control reaches to the break statement, it jumps the control after the switch expression. If a break statement is not found, it executes the next case.
- The case value can have a *default label* which is optional.

Syntax:

```
switch(expression){
case value1:
 //code to be executed;
 break;  //optional
case value2:
 //code to be executed;
 break;  //optional
.....

default:
 code to be executed if all cases are not matched;
}
```

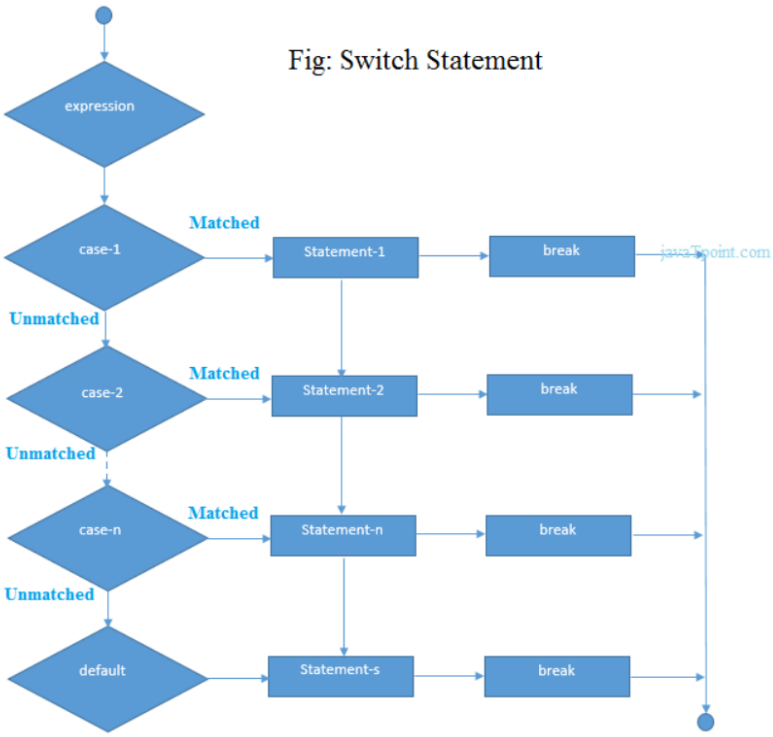


Fig: Switch Statement

Example:

```
public class SwitchExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    //Declaring a variable for switch expression
    int number=20;
    //Switch expression
    switch(number){
    //Case statements
    case 10: System.out.println("10");
    break;
    case 20: System.out.println("20");
    break;
```

```
    case 30: System.out.println("30");
    break;
    //Default case statement
    default:System.out.println("Not in 10, 20 or 30");
    }
}
}
```

Output:

```
20
```

Finding Month Example:

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the example of Switch statement
//where we are printing month name for the given number
public class SwitchMonthExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    //Specifying month number
    int month=7;
    String monthString="";
    //Switch statement
    switch(month){
    //case statements within the switch block
    case 1: monthString="1 - January";
    break;
    case 2: monthString="2 - February";
    break;
    case 3: monthString="3 - March";
    break;
    case 4: monthString="4 - April";
    break;
    case 5: monthString="5 - May";
    break;
    case 6: monthString="6 - June";
    break;
    case 7: monthString="7 - July";
    break;
    case 8: monthString="8 - August";
    break;
    case 9: monthString="9 - September";
    break;
    case 10: monthString="10 - October";
```

```
    break;
    case 11: monthString="11 - November";
    break;
    case 12: monthString="12 - December";
    break;
    default:System.out.println("Invalid Month!");
    }
    //Printing month of the given number
    System.out.println(monthString);
}
}
```

Output:

```
7 - July
```

Program to check Vowel or Consonant:

If the character is A, E, I, O, or U, it is vowel otherwise consonant. It is not case-sensitive.

```
public class SwitchVowelExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    char ch='O';
    switch(ch)
    {
        case 'a':
            System.out.println("Vowel");
            break;
        case 'e':
            System.out.println("Vowel");
            break;
        case 'i':
            System.out.println("Vowel");
            break;
        case 'o':
            System.out.println("Vowel");
            break;
        case 'u':
            System.out.println("Vowel");
            break;
        case 'A':
            System.out.println("Vowel");
            break;
```

```
            case 'E':
                System.out.println("Vowel");
                break;
            case 'I':
                System.out.println("Vowel");
                break;
            case 'O':
                System.out.println("Vowel");
                break;
            case 'U':
                System.out.println("Vowel");
                break;
            default:
                System.out.println("Consonant");
        }
    }
    }
```

Output:

```
Vowel
```

Java Switch Statement is fall-through

The Java switch statement is fall-through. It means it executes all statements after the first match if a break statement is not present.

Example:

```
    //Java Switch Example where we are omitting the
    //break statement
    public class SwitchExample2 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int number=20;
        //switch expression with int value
        switch(number){
        //switch cases without break statements
        case 10: System.out.println("10");
        case 20: System.out.println("20");
        case 30: System.out.println("30");
        default:System.out.println("Not in 10, 20 or 30");
        }
    }
    }
```

Output:

```
20
30
Not in 10, 20 or 30
```

Java Switch Statement with String

Java allows us to use strings in switch expression since Java SE 7. The case statement should be string literal.

Example:

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the use of Java Switch
//statement with String
public class SwitchStringExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   //Declaring String variable
   String levelString="Expert";
   int level=0;
   //Using String in Switch expression
   switch(levelString){
   //Using String Literal in Switch case
   case "Beginner": level=1;
   break;
   case "Intermediate": level=2;
   break;
   case "Expert": level=3;
   break;
   default: level=0;
   break;
   }
   System.out.println("Your Level is: "+level);
}
}
```

Output:

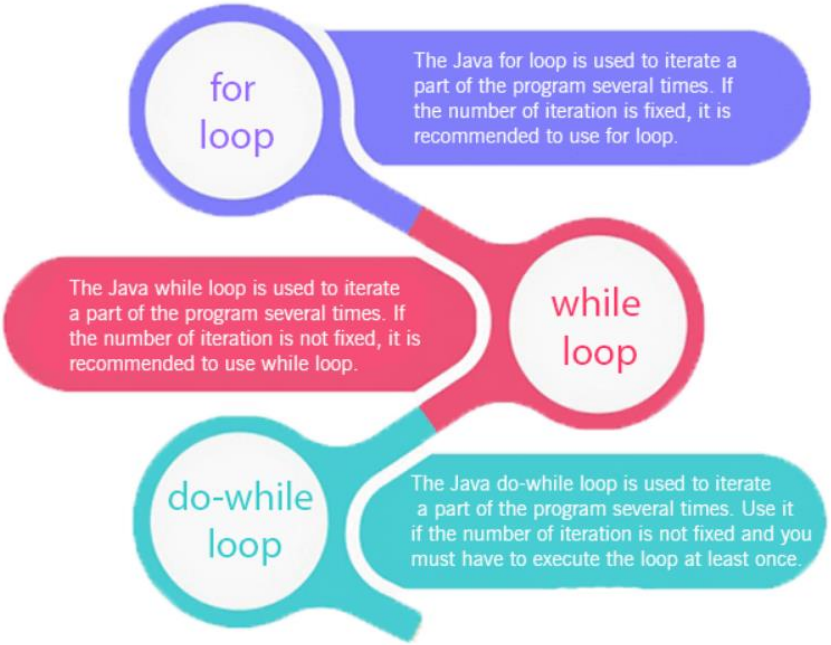
```
Your Level is: 3
```

Loops in Java

In programming languages, loops are used to execute a set of instructions/functions repeatedly when some conditions become true. There are three types of loops in Java.

- for loop
- while loop

- do-while loop



Java For Loop vs While Loop vs Do While Loop

Java For Loop

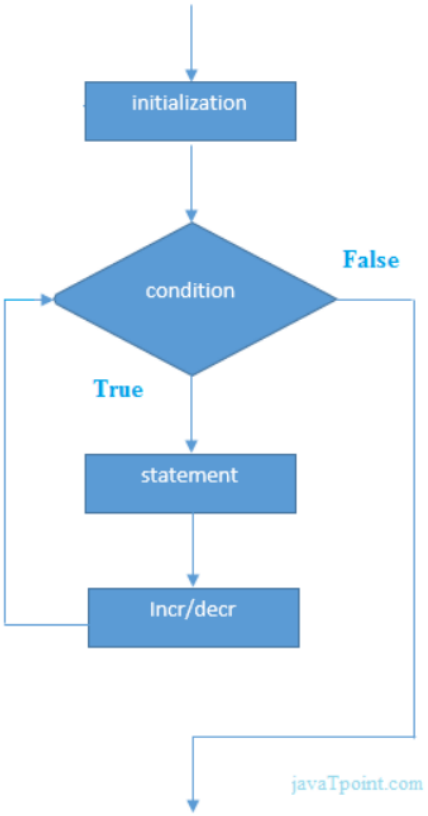
The Java *for loop* is used to iterate a part of the program several times. If the number of iteration is fixed, it is recommended to use for loop.

A simple for loop is the same as C/C++. We can initialize the variable, check condition and increment/decrement value. It consists of four parts:

1. **Initialization**: It is the initial condition which is executed once when the loop starts. Here, we can initialize the variable, or we can use an already initialized variable. It is an optional condition.
2. **Condition**: It is the second condition which is executed each time to test the condition of the loop. It continues execution until the condition is false. It must return boolean value either true or false. It is an optional condition.
3. **Statement**: The statement of the loop is executed each time until the second condition is false.
4. **Increment/Decrement**: It increments or decrements the variable value. It is an optional condition.

Syntax:

```
for(initialization;condition;incr/decr){
//statement or code to be executed
}
```



Example:

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the example of for loop
//which prints table of 1
public class ForExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    //Code of Java for loop
    for(int i=1;i<=10;i++){
        System.out.println(i);
    }
}
}
```

Output:

```
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
```

Java for-each Loop

The for-each loop is used to traverse array or collection in java. It is easier to use than simple for loop because we don't need to increment value and use subscript notation.

It works on elements basis not index. It returns element one by one in the defined variable.

Syntax:

```
for(Type var:array){
//code to be executed
}
```

Example:

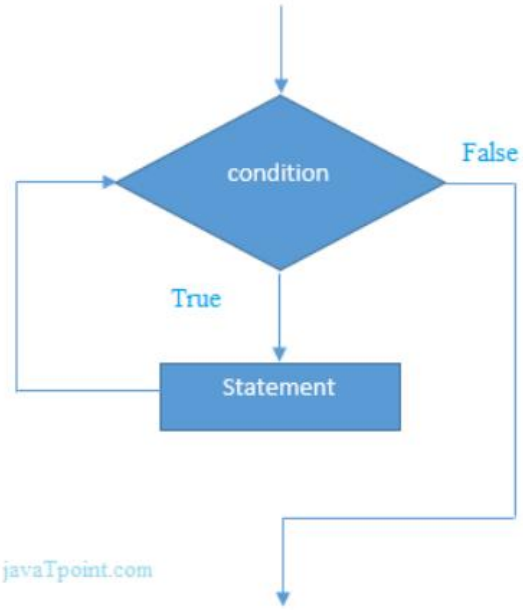
```
//Java For-each loop example which prints the
//elements of the array
public class ForEachExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   //Declaring an array
   int arr[]={12,23,44,56,78};
   //Printing array using for-each loop
   for(int i:arr){
      System.out.println(i);
   }
}
}
```

Java While Loop

The Java *while loop* is used to iterate a part of the program several times. If the number of iteration is not fixed, it is recommended to use while loop.

Syntax:

```
while(condition){
//code to be executed
}
```



Example:

```
public class WhileExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   int i=1;
   while(i<=10){
      System.out.println(i);
   i++;
   }
}
}
```

Output:

```
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
```

Java do-while Loop

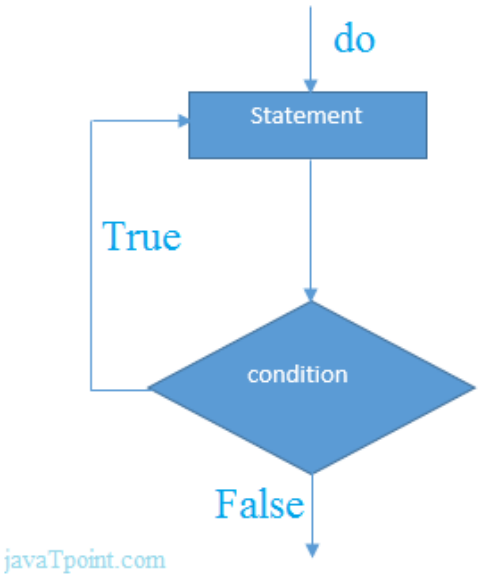
The Java *do-while loop* is used to iterate a part of the program several times. If the number of iteration is not fixed and you must have to execute the loop at least once, it is recommended to use do-while loop.

The Java *do-while loop* is executed at least once because condition is checked after loop body.

Syntax:

```
do{
```

```
//code to be executed
}while(condition);
```



Example:

```
public class DoWhileExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int i=1;
    do{
        System.out.println(i);
    i++;
    }while(i<=10);
}
}
```

Output:

```
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
```

Compariso n	for loop	while loop	do while loop

Introduction	The Java for loop is a control flow statement that iterates a part of the programs multiple times.	The Java while loop is a control flow statement that executes a part of the programs repeatedly on the basis of given boolean condition.	The Java do while loop is a control flow statement that executes a part of the programs at least once and the further execution depends upon the given boolean condition.
When to use	If the number of iteration is fixed, it is recommended to use for loop.	If the number of iteration is not fixed, it is recommended to use while loop.	If the number of iteration is not fixed and you must have to execute the loop at least once, it is recommended to use the do-while loop.

Syntax	`for(init;condition;incr/decr){`
	`// code to be executed`
	`}`
		`while(condition){`
		`//code to be executed`
		`}`
			`do{`
			`//code to be executed`
			`}while(condition);`

Example	`//for loop`
	`for(int i=1;i<=10;i++){`
	`System.out.println(i);`
	`}`
		`//while loop`
		`int i=1;`
		`while(i<=10){`
		`System.out.println(i);`
		`i++;`
		`}`
			`//do-while loop`
			`int i=1;`
			`do{`
			`System.out.println(i);`
			`i++;`
			`}while(i<=10);`

Syntax for infinitive loop	`for(;;){`
	`//code to be executed`
	`}`
		`while(true){`
		`//code to be executed`
		`}`
			`do{`
			`//code to be executed`
			`}while(true);`

Java Break Statement

The Java *break* is used to break loop or switch statement. It breaks the current flow of the program at specified condition. In case of inner loop, it breaks only inner loop.

Syntax:

jump-statement;
break;

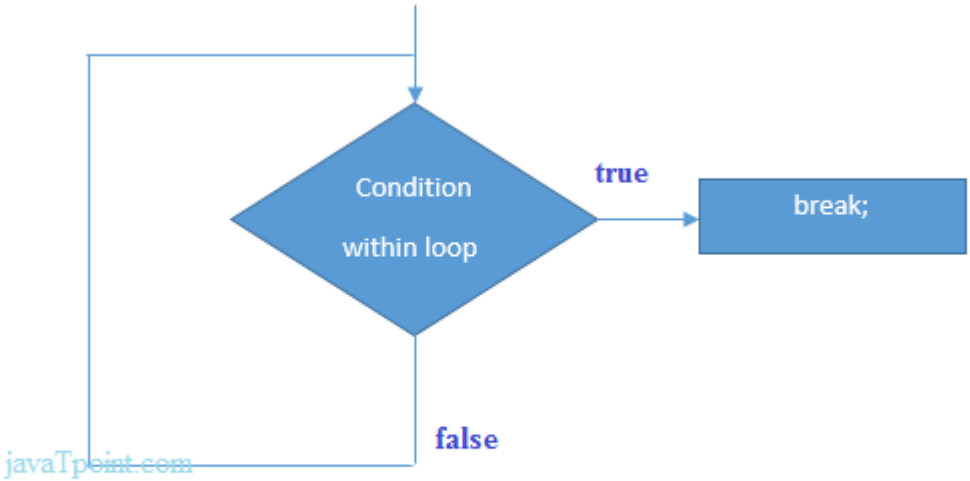


Figure: Flowchart of break statement

Java Break Statement with Loop

Example:

```
public class BreakExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   for(int i=1;i<=10;i++){
      if(i==5){
         break;
      }
      System.out.println(i);
   }
}
}
```

Output:

```
1
2
3
4
```

Java Break Statement with Inner Loop

It breaks inner loop only if you use break statement inside the inner loop.

Example:

```
public class BreakExample2 {
public static void main(String[] args) {
        for(int i=1;i<=3;i++){
            for(int j=1;j<=3;j++){
               if(i==2&&j==2){
                  break;
               }
               System.out.println(i+" "+j);
            }
        }
}
}
```

Output:

```
1 1
1 2
1 3
2 1
3 1
3 2
3 3
```

Java Continue Statement

The Java *continue statement* is used to continue loop. It continues the current flow of the program and skips the remaining code at specified condition. In case of inner loop, it continues only inner loop.

Syntax:

```
jump-statement;
continue;
```

Java Continue Statement Example

Example:

```
public class ContinueExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   for(int i=1;i<=10;i++){
      if(i==5){
         continue;
      }
      System.out.println(i);
   }
}
```

```
}
```

Output:

```
1
2
3
4
6
7
8
9
10
```

Java Continue Statement with Inner Loop

It continues inner loop only if you use continue statement inside the inner loop.

Example:

```
public class ContinueExample2 {
public static void main(String[] args) {
        for(int i=1;i<=3;i++){
            for(int j=1;j<=3;j++){
               if(i==2&&j==2){
                  continue;
               }
               System.out.println(i+" "+j);
            }
        }
}
}
```

Output:

```
1 1
1 2
1 3
2 1
2 3
3 1
3 2
3 3
```

Java OOPs Concepts

In this page, we will learn about basics of OOPs. Object Oriented Programming is a paradigm that provides many concepts such as **inheritance**, **data binding**, **polymorphism** etc.

Simula is considered as the first object-oriented programming language. The programming paradigm where everything is represented as an object, is known as truly object-oriented programming language.

Smalltalk is considered as the first truly object-oriented programming language.

OOPs (Object Oriented Programming System)

Object means a real word entity such as pen, chair, table etc. **Object-Oriented Programming** is a methodology or paradigm to design a program using classes and objects. It simplifies the software development and maintenance by providing some concepts:

- Object
- Class
- Inheritance
- Polymorphism
- Abstraction
- Encapsulation

Object

Any entity that has state and behavior is known as an object. For example: chair, pen, table, keyboard, bike etc. It can be physical and logical.

Class

Collection of objects is called class. It is a logical entity.

Inheritance

When one object acquires all the properties and behaviours of parent object i.e. known as inheritance. It provides code reusability. It is used to achieve runtime polymorphism.

Polymorphism

When **one task is performed by different ways** i.e. known as polymorphism. For example: to convince the customer differently, to draw something e.g. shape or rectangle etc.

In java, we use method overloading and method overriding to achieve polymorphism.

Another example can be to speak something e.g. cat speaks meaw, dog barks woof etc.

Abstraction

Hiding internal details and showing functionality is known as abstraction. For example: phone call, we don't know the internal processing.

In java, we use abstract class and interface to achieve abstraction.


Capsule

Encapsulation

Binding (or wrapping) code and data together into a single unit is known as encapsulation. For example: capsule, it is wrapped with different medicines.

A java class is the example of encapsulation. Java bean is the fully encapsulated class because all the data members are private here.

Class Fundamentals
The most important thing to understand about a class is that it defines a new data type. Once defined, this new type can be used to create objects of that type. Thus, a class is a *template* for an object, and an object is an *instance* of a class. Because an object is an instance of a class, you will often see the two words *object* and *instance* used interchangeably.

The General Form of a Class
When you define a class, you declare its exact form and nature. You do this by specifying the data that it contains and the code that operates on that data. While very simple classes may contain only code or only data, most real-world classes contain both. As you will see, a class' code defines the interface to its data.

Aclass is declared by use of the **class** keyword. The classes that have been used up to this point are actually very limited examples of its complete form. Classes can (and usually do) get much more complex. A simplified general form of a **class** definition is shown here:

```
class classname {
type instance-variable1;

type instance-variable2;

// ...
type instance-variableN;
type methodname1(parameter-list) {
// body of method
}
type methodname2(parameter-list) {
// body of method
}
// ...
type methodnameN(parameter-list) {
// body of method
}
```

}

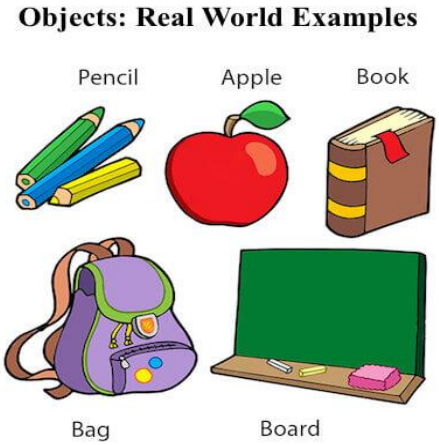
The data, or variables, defined within a **class** are called *instance variables.* The code is contained within *methods.* Collectively, the methods and variables defined within a class are called *members* of the class. In most classes, the instance variables are acted upon and accessed by the methods defined for that class. Thus, as a general rule, it is the methods that determine how a class' data can be used.

Objects and Classes in Java

In this page, we will learn about Java objects and classes. In object-oriented programming technique, we design a program using objects and classes.

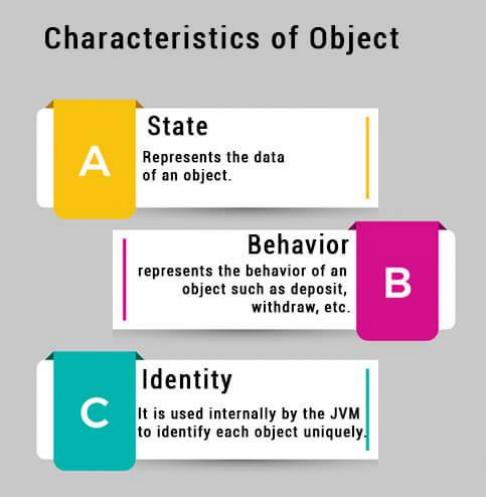
An object in Java is the physical as well as a logical entity, whereas, a class in Java is a logical entity only.

What is an object in Java



An object has three characteristics:

- **State:** represents the data (value) of an object.
- **Behavior:** represents the behavior (functionality) of an object such as deposit, withdraw, etc.
- **Identity:** An object identity is typically implemented via a unique ID. The value of the ID is not visible to the external user. However, it is used internally by the JVM to identify each object uniquely.



For Example, Pen is an object. Its name is Reynolds; color is white, known as its state. It is used to write, so writing is its behavior.

An object is an instance of a class. A class is a template or blueprint from which objects are created. So, an object is the instance(result) of a class.

Object Definitions:

- An object is *a real-world entity*.
- An object is *a runtime entity*.
- The object is *an entity which has state and behavior*.
- The object is *an instance of a class*.

What is a class in Java

A class is a group of objects which have common properties. It is a template or blueprint from which objects are created. It is a logical entity. It can't be physical.

A class in Java can contain:

- **Fields**
- **Methods**
- **Constructors**
- **Blocks**
- **Nested class and interface**

Syntax to declare a class:

```
class <class_name>{
    field;
    method;
}
```

Instance variable in Java

A variable which is created inside the class but outside the method is known as an instance variable. Instance variable doesn't get memory at compile time. It gets memory at runtime when an object or instance is created. That is why it is known as an instance variable.

Method in Java

In Java, a method is like a function which is used to expose the behavior of an object.

Advantage of Method

- Code Reusability
- Code Optimization

new keyword in Java

The new keyword is used to allocate memory at runtime. All objects get memory in Heap memory area.

Object and Class Example: main within the class

In this example, we have created a Student class which has two data members id and name. We are creating the object of the Student class by new keyword and printing the object's value.

Here, we are creating a main() method inside the class.

File: Student.java

```
//Java Program to illustrate how to define a class and fields
//Defining a Student class.
class Student{
 //defining fields
 int id;//field or data member or instance variable
 String name;
 //creating main method inside the Student class
 public static void main(String args[]){
  //Creating an object or instance
  Student s1=new Student();//creating an object of Student
  //Printing values of the object
  System.out.println(s1.id);//accessing member through reference variable
  System.out.println(s1.name);
 }
}
```

Output:

```
0
```

```
null
```

Object and Class Example: main outside the class

In real time development, we create classes and use it from another class. It is a better approach than previous one. Let's see a simple example, where we are having main() method in another class.

We can have multiple classes in different Java files or single Java file. If you define multiple classes in a single Java source file, it is a good idea to save the file name with the class name which has main() method.

File: TestStudent1.java

```
//Java Program to demonstrate having the main method in
//another class
//Creating Student class.
class Student{
 int id;
 String name;
}
//Creating another class TestStudent1 which contains the main method
class TestStudent1{
 public static void main(String args[]){
  Student s1=new Student();
  System.out.println(s1.id);
  System.out.println(s1.name);
 }
}
```

Output:

```
0
null
```

There are 3 ways to initialize object in Java.

1. By reference variable
2. By method
3. By constructor

1) Object and Class Example: Initialization through reference

Initializing an object means storing data into the object. Let's see a simple example where we are going to initialize the object through a reference variable.

File: TestStudent2.java

```
class Student{
```

```
 int id;
 String name;
}
class TestStudent2{
 public static void main(String args[]){
  Student s1=new Student();
  s1.id=101;
  s1.name="Sonoo";
  System.out.println(s1.id+" "+s1.name);//printing members with a white space
 }
}
```

Output:

```
101 Sonoo
```

We can also create multiple objects and store information in it through reference variable.

File: TestStudent3.java

```
class Student{
 int id;
 String name;
}
class TestStudent3{
 public static void main(String args[]){
  //Creating objects
  Student s1=new Student();
  Student s2=new Student();
  //Initializing objects
  s1.id=101;
  s1.name="Sonoo";
  s2.id=102;
  s2.name="Amit";
  //Printing data
  System.out.println(s1.id+" "+s1.name);
  System.out.println(s2.id+" "+s2.name);
 }
}
```

Output:

```
101 Sonoo
102 Amit
```

2) Object and Class Example: Initialization through method

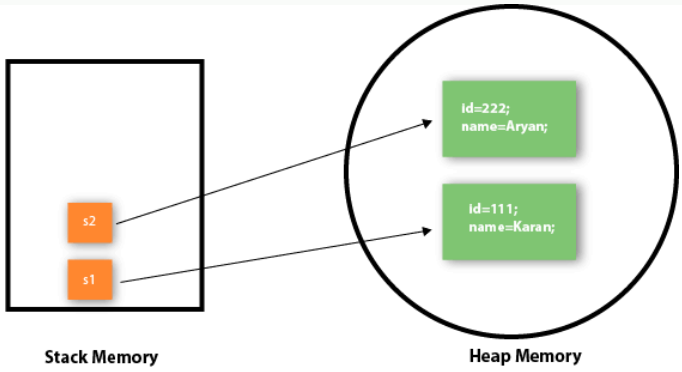
In this example, we are creating the two objects of Student class and initializing the value to these objects by invoking the insertRecord method. Here, we are displaying the state (data) of the objects by invoking the displayInformation() method.

File: TestStudent4.java

```
class Student{
 int rollno;
 String name;
 void insertRecord(int r, String n){
  rollno=r;
  name=n;
 }
 void displayInformation(){System.out.println(rollno+" "+name);}
}
class TestStudent4{
 public static void main(String args[]){
  Student s1=new Student();
  Student s2=new Student();
  s1.insertRecord(111,"Karan");
  s2.insertRecord(222,"Aryan");
  s1.displayInformation();
  s2.displayInformation();
 }
}
```

Output:

```
111 Karan
222 Aryan
```



As you can see in the above figure, object gets the memory in heap memory area. The reference variable refers to the object allocated in the heap memory area. Here, s1 and s2 both are reference variables that refer to the objects allocated in memory.

3) Object and Class Example: Initialization through a constructor

We will learn about constructors in Java later.

Object and Class Example: Employee

Let's see an example where we are maintaining records of employees.

File: TestEmployee.java

```
class Employee{
    int id;
    String name;
    float salary;
    void insert(int i, String n, float s) {
        id=i;
        name=n;
        salary=s;
    }
    void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name+" "+salary);}
}
public class TestEmployee {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Employee e1=new Employee();
    Employee e2=new Employee();
    Employee e3=new Employee();
    e1.insert(101,"ajeet",45000);
    e2.insert(102,"irfan",25000);
    e3.insert(103,"nakul",55000);
    e1.display();
    e2.display();
    e3.display();
}
}
```

Output:

```
101 ajeet 45000.0
102 irfan 25000.0
103 nakul 55000.0
```

Object and Class Example: Rectangle

There is given another example that maintains the records of Rectangle class.

File: TestRectangle1.java

```
class Rectangle{
 int length;
 int width;
 void insert(int l, int w){
  length=l;
  width=w;
 }
 void calculateArea(){System.out.println(length*width);}
}
class TestRectangle1{
 public static void main(String args[]){
  Rectangle r1=new Rectangle();
  Rectangle r2=new Rectangle();
  r1.insert(11,5);
  r2.insert(3,15);
  r1.calculateArea();
  r2.calculateArea();
}
}
```

Output:

```
55
45
```

Method in Java

In general, a **method** is a way to perform some task. Similarly, the **method in Java** is a collection of instructions that performs a specific task. It provides the reusability of code. We can also easily modify code using **methods**. In this section, we will learn **what is a method in Java, types of methods, method declaration,** and **how to call a method in Java**.

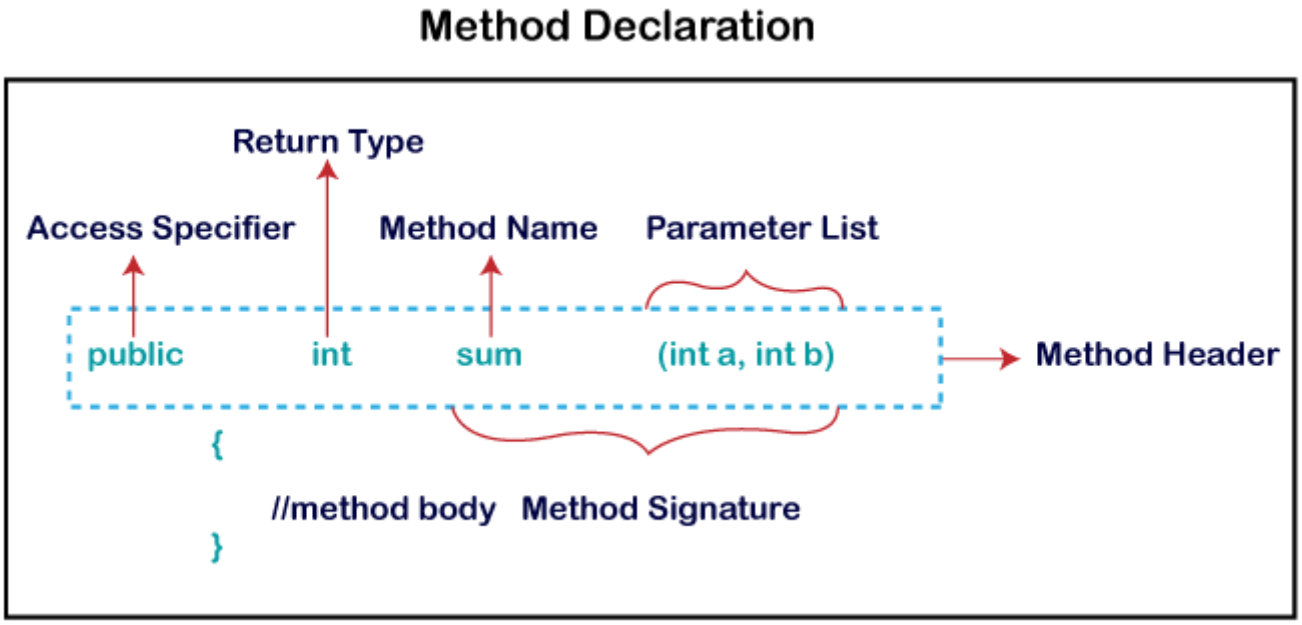
What is a method in Java?

A **method** is a block of code or collection of statements or a set of code grouped together to perform a certain task or operation. It is used to achieve the **reusability** of code. We write a method once and use it many times. We do not require to write code again and again. It also provides the **easy modification** and **readability** of code, just by adding or removing a chunk of code. The method is executed only when we call or invoke it.

The most important method in Java is the **main()** method.

Method Declaration

The method declaration provides information about method attributes, such as visibility, return-type, name, and arguments. It has six components that are known as **method header**, as we have shown in the following figure.



Method Signature: Every method has a method signature. It is a part of the method declaration. It includes the **method name** and **parameter list**.

Access Specifier: Access specifier or modifier is the access type of the method. It specifies the visibility of the method. Java provides **four** types of access specifier:

- **Public:** The method is accessible by all classes when we use public specifier in our application.
- **Private:** When we use a private access specifier, the method is accessible only in the classes in which it is defined.
- **Protected:** When we use protected access specifier, the method is accessible within the same package or subclasses in a different package.
- **Default:** When we do not use any access specifier in the method declaration, Java uses default access specifier by default. It is visible only from the same package only.

Return Type: Return type is a data type that the method returns. It may have a primitive data type, object, collection, void, etc. If the method does not return anything, we use void keyword.

Method Name: It is a unique name that is used to define the name of a method. It must be corresponding to the functionality of the method. Suppose, if we are creating a method for subtraction of two numbers, the method name must be **subtraction().** A method is invoked by its name.

Parameter List: It is the list of parameters separated by a comma and enclosed in the pair of parentheses. It contains the data type and variable name. If the method has no parameter, left the parentheses blank.

Method Body: It is a part of the method declaration. It contains all the actions to be performed. It is enclosed within the pair of curly braces.

Types of Method

There are two types of methods in Java:

- Predefined Method
- User-defined Method

Predefined Method

In Java, predefined methods are the method that is already defined in the Java class libraries is known as predefined methods. It is also known as the **standard library method** or **built-in method**. We can directly use these methods just by calling them in the program at any point. Some pre-defined methods are **length(), equals(), compareTo(), sqrt(),** etc. When we call any of the predefined methods in our program, a series of codes related to the corresponding method runs in the background that is already stored in the library.

Each and every predefined method is defined inside a class. Such as **print()** method is defined in the **java.io.PrintStream** class. It prints the statement that we write inside the method. For example, **print("Java")**, it prints Java on the console.

Let's see an example of the predefined method.

Demo.java

```
public class Demo
{
public static void main(String[] args)
{
// using the max() method of Math class
System.out.print("The maximum number is: " + Math.max(9,7));
}
}
```

Output:

```
The maximum number is: 9
```

User-defined Method

The method written by the user or programmer is known as **a user-defined** method. These methods are modified according to the requirement.

How to Create a User-defined Method

Let's create a user defined method that checks the number is even or odd. First, we will define the method.

```
//user defined method
public static void findEvenOdd(int num)
{
//method body
if(num%2==0)
System.out.println(num+" is even");
else
```

```
System.out.println(num+" is odd");
}
```

We have defined the above method named findevenodd(). It has a parameter **num** of type int. The method does not return any value that's why we have used void. The method body contains the steps to check the number is even or odd. If the number is even, it prints the number **is even**, else prints the number **is odd**.

Constructors in Java

In Java, a constructor is a block of codes similar to the method. It is called when an instance of the class is created. At the time of calling constructor, memory for the object is allocated in the memory.

It is a special type of method which is used to initialize the object.

Every time an object is created using the new() keyword, at least one constructor is called.

It calls a default constructor if there is no constructor available in the class. In such case, Java compiler provides a default constructor by default.

There are two types of constructors in Java: no-arg constructor, and parameterized constructor.

Note: It is called constructor because it constructs the values at the time of object creation. It is not necessary to write a constructor for a class. It is because java compiler creates a default constructor if your class doesn't have any.

Rules for creating Java constructor

There are two rules defined for the constructor.

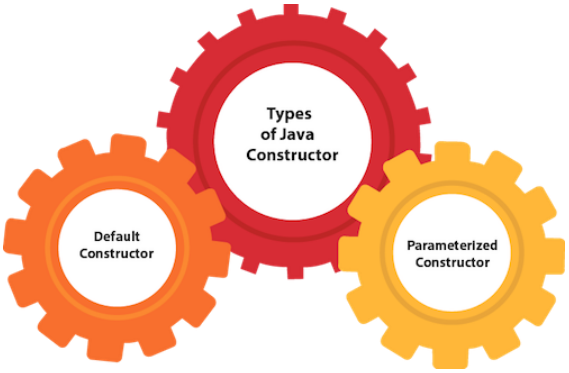
1. Constructor name must be the same as its class name
2. A Constructor must have no explicit return type
3. A Java constructor cannot be abstract, static, final, and synchronized

Note: We can use access modifiers while declaring a constructor. It controls the object creation. In other words, we can have private, protected, public or default constructor in Java.

Types of Java constructors

There are two types of constructors in Java:

1. Default constructor (no-arg constructor)
2. Parameterized constructor



Java Default Constructor

A constructor is called "Default Constructor" when it doesn't have any parameter.

Syntax of default constructor:

1. <class_name>(){}

Example of default constructor

In this example, we are creating the no-arg constructor in the Bike class. It will be invoked at the time

```
//Java Program to create and call a default constructor
class Bike1{
//creating a default constructor
Bike1(){System.out.println("Bike is created");}
//main method
public static void main(String args[]){
//calling a default constructor
Bike1 b=new Bike1();
}
}
```

Output:

```
Bike is created
```

Rule: If there is no constructor in a class, compiler automatically creates a default constructor.

Q) What is the purpose of a default constructor?

The default constructor is used to provide the default values to the object like 0, null, etc., depending on the type.

Example of default constructor that displays the default values

```
//Let us see another example of default constructor
//which displays the default values
class Student3{
int id;
String name;
//method to display the value of id and name
void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name);}

public static void main(String args[]){
//creating objects
Student3 s1=new Student3();
Student3 s2=new Student3();
//displaying values of the object
s1.display();
s2.display();
}
}
```

Output:

```
0 null
0 null
```

Explanation: In the above class,you are not creating any constructor so compiler provides you a default constructor. Here 0 and null values are provided by default constructor.

Java Parameterized Constructor

A constructor which has a specific number of parameters is called a parameterized constructor.

Why use the parameterized constructor?

The parameterized constructor is used to provide different values to distinct objects. However, you can provide the same values also.

Example of parameterized constructor

In this example, we have created the constructor of Student class that have two parameters. We can have any number of parameters in the constructor.

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the use of the parameterized constructor.
class Student4{
    int id;
    String name;
    //creating a parameterized constructor
```

```
    Student4(int i,String n){
    id = i;
    name = n;
    }
    //method to display the values
    void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name);}

    public static void main(String args[]){
    //creating objects and passing values
    Student4 s1 = new Student4(111,"Karan");
    Student4 s2 = new Student4(222,"Aryan");
    //calling method to display the values of object
    s1.display();
    s2.display();
   }
}
```

Output:

```
111 Karan
222 Aryan
```

Constructor Overloading in Java

In Java, a constructor is just like a method but without return type. It can also be overloaded like Java methods.

Constructor overloading in Java is a technique of having more than one constructor with different parameter lists. They are arranged in a way that each constructor performs a different task. They are differentiated by the compiler by the number of parameters in the list and their types.

Example of Constructor Overloading

```
//Java program to overload constructors
class Student5{
    int id;
    String name;
    int age;
    //creating two arg constructor
    Student5(int i,String n){
    id = i;
    name = n;
    }
    //creating three arg constructor
    Student5(int i,String n,int a){
```

```
        id = i;
        name = n;
        age=a;
        }
        void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name+" "+age);}

        public static void main(String args[]){
        Student5 s1 = new Student5(111,"Karan");
        Student5 s2 = new Student5(222,"Aryan",25);
        s1.display();
        s2.display();
       }
}
```

Output:

```
111 Karan 0
222 Aryan 25
```

Difference between constructor and method in Java

There are many differences between constructors and methods. They are given below.

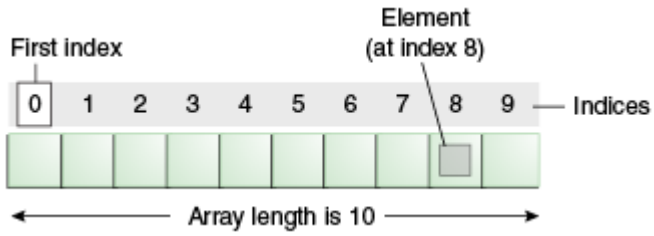
Java Constructor	Java Method
A constructor is used to initialize the state of an object.	A method is used to expose the behavior of an object.
A constructor must not have a return type.	A method must have a return type.
The constructor is invoked implicitly.	The method is invoked explicitly.
The Java compiler provides a default constructor if you don't have any constructor in a class.	The method is not provided by the compiler in any case.
The constructor name must be same as the class name.	The method name may or may not be same as the class name.

Java Array

Normally, array is a collection of similar type of elements that have contiguous memory location.

Java array is an object the contains elements of similar data type. It is a data structure where we store similar elements. We can store only fixed set of elements in a java array.

Array in java is index based, first element of the array is stored at 0 index.



Advantage of Java Array

Code Optimization: It makes the code optimized, we can retrieve or sort the data easily.

Random access: We can get any data located at any index position.

Disadvantage of Java Array

Size Limit: We can store only fixed size of elements in the array. It doesn't grow its size at runtime. To solve this problem, collection framework is used in java.

Types of Array in java

There are two types of array.

Single Dimensional Array

Multidimensional Array

Single Dimensional Array in java

Syntax to Declare an Array in java

dataType[] arr; (or)

dataType []arr; (or)

dataType arr[];

Instantiation of an Array in java

arrayRefVar=new datatype[size];

Example of single dimensional java array

Let's see the simple example of java array, where we are going to declare, instantiate, initialize and traverse an array.

class Testarray

{

```
public static void main(String args[]){
  int a[]=new int[5];//declaration and instantiation
a[0]=10;//initialization
a[1]=20;
a[2]=70;
a[3]=40;
a[4]=50;
  //printing array
for(int i=0;i<a.length;i++)//length is the property of array
System.out.println(a[i]);
  }}
```

Output: 10

20

70

40

50

Declaration, Instantiation and Initialization of Java Array

We can declare, instantiate and initialize the java array together by:

```
int a[]={33,3,4,5};//declaration, instantiation and initialization
```

Let's see the simple example to print this array.

```
class Testarray1{
public static void main(String args[]){
  int a[]={33,3,4,5};//declaration, instantiation and initialization
  //printing array
for(int i=0;i<a.length;i++)//length is the property of array
System.out.println(a[i]);
}}
```

Output:33

3

4

5

Passing Array to method in java

We can pass the java array to method so that we can reuse the same logic on any array.

Let's see the simple example to get minimum number of an array using method.

```
class Testarray2{
static void min(int arr[]){
int min=arr[0];
for(int i=1;i<arr.length;i++)
 if(min>arr[i])
  min=arr[i];
  System.out.println(min);
}
public static void main(String args[]){
  int a[]={33,3,4,5};
min(a);//passing array to method
  }}
```

Output:3

Multidimensional array in java

In such case, data is stored in row and column based index (also known as matrix form).

Syntax to Declare Multidimensional Array in java

dataType[][] arrayRefVar; (or)

dataType [][]arrayRefVar; (or)

dataType arrayRefVar[][]; (or)

dataType []arrayRefVar[];

Example to instantiate Multidimensional Array in java

int[][] arr=new int[3][3];//3 row and 3 column

Example to initialize Multidimensional Array in java

```
arr[0][0]=1;

arr[0][1]=2;

arr[0][2]=3;

arr[1][0]=4;

arr[1][1]=5;

arr[1][2]=6;

arr[2][0]=7;

arr[2][1]=8;

arr[2][2]=9;
```

Example of Multidimensional java array

Let's see the simple example to declare, instantiate, initialize and print the 2Dimensional array.

```
class Testarray3{

public static void main(String args[]){

  //declaring and initializing 2D array

int arr[][]={{1,2,3},{2,4,5},{4,4,5}};

  //printing 2D array

for(int i=0;i<3;i++){

 for(int j=0;j<3;j++){

   System.out.print(arr[i][j]+" ");

 }

 System.out.println();

}

  }}
```

Output:1 2 3

2 4 5

4 4 5

Addition of 2 matrices in java

Let's see a simple example that adds two matrices.

```
class Testarray5{

public static void main(String args[]){

//creating two matrices

int a[][]={{1,3,4},{3,4,5}};

int b[][]={{1,3,4},{3,4,5}};

  //creating another matrix to store the sum of two matrices

int c[][]=new int[2][3];

  //adding and printing addition of 2 matrices

for(int i=0;i<2;i++){

for(int j=0;j<3;j++){

c[i][j]=a[i][j]+b[i][j];

System.out.print(c[i][j]+" ");

}

System.out.println();//new line

}

 }}
```

Test it Now

Output:2 6 8

6 8 10

Java String

In java, string is basically an object that represents sequence of char values. An array of characters works same as java string. For example:

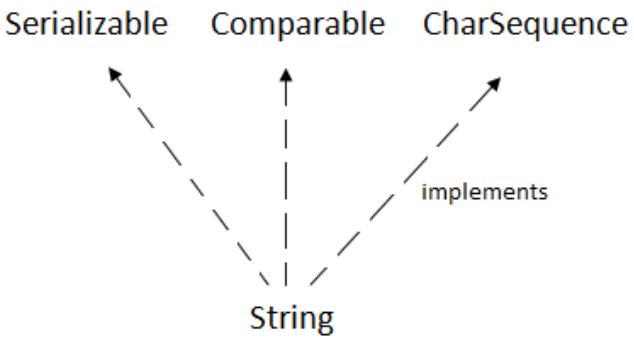
1. **char**[] ch={'j','a','v','a','t','p','o','i','n','t'};
2. String s=**new** String(ch);

   is same as:

1. String s="javatpoint";

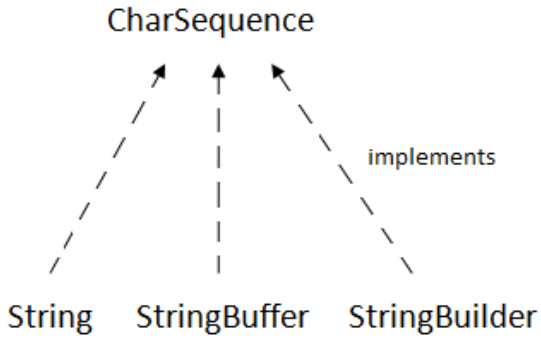
   Java String class provides a lot of methods to perform operations on string such as compare(), concat(), equals(), split(), length(), replace(), compareTo(), intern(), substring() etc.

The java.lang.String class implements *Serializable*, *Comparable* and *CharSequence* interfaces.



CharSequence Interface

The CharSequence interface is used to represent sequence of characters. It is implemented by String, StringBuffer and StringBuilder classes. It means, we can create string in java by using these 3 classes.



The java String is immutable i.e. it cannot be changed. Whenever we change any string, a new instance is created. For mutable string, you can use StringBuffer and StringBuilder classes.

We will discuss about immutable string later. Let's first understand what is string in java and how to create the string object.

What is String in java

Generally, string is a sequence of characters. But in java, string is an object that represents a sequence of characters. The java.lang.String class is used to create string object.

How to create String object?

There are two ways to create String object:

1. By string literal
2. By new keyword

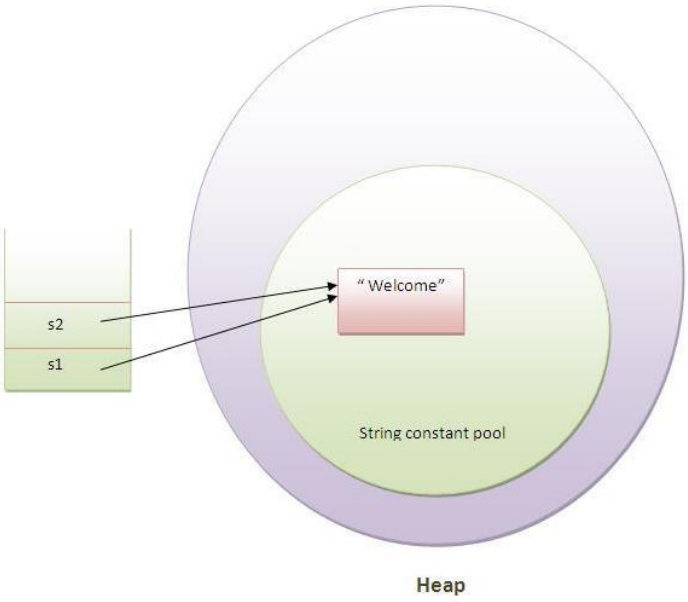
1) String Literal

Java String literal is created by using double quotes. For Example:

1. String s="welcome";

Each time you create a string literal, the JVM checks the string constant pool first. If the string already exists in the pool, a reference to the pooled instance is returned. If string doesn't exist in the pool, a new string instance is created and placed in the pool. For example:

1. String s1="Welcome";
2. String s2="Welcome";//will not create new instance



In the above example only one object will be created. Firstly JVM will not find any string object with the value "Welcome" in string constant pool, so it will create a new object. After that it will find the string with the value "Welcome" in the pool, it will not create new object but will return the reference to the same instance.

Note: String objects are stored in a special memory area known as string constant pool.

Why java uses concept of string literal?

To make Java more memory efficient (because no new objects are created if it exists already in string constant pool).

2) By new keyword

1. String s=**new** String("Welcome");//creates two objects and one reference variable

In such case, JVM will create a new string object in normal(non pool) heap memory and the literal "Welcome" will be placed in the string constant pool. The variable s will refer to the object in heap(non pool).

Java String Example

```
public class StringExample{
public static void main(String args[]){
String s1="java";//creating string by java string literal
char ch[]={'s','t','r','i','n','g','s'};
String s2=new String(ch);//converting char array to string
String s3=new String("example");//creating java string by new keyword
System.out.println(s1);
System.out.println(s2);
```

```
        System.out.println(s3);
        }}
```

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Java String class methods

The java.lang.String class provides many useful methods to perform operations on sequence of char values.

No.	Method	Description
1	char charAt(int index)	returns char value for the particular index
2	int length()	returns string length
3	static String format(String format, Object... args)	returns formatted string
4	static String format(Locale l, String format, Object... args)	returns formatted string with given locale
5	String substring(int beginIndex)	returns substring for given begin index
6	String substring(int beginIndex, int endIndex)	returns substring for given begin index and end index
7	boolean contains(CharSequence s)	returns true or false after matching the sequence of char value
8	static String join(CharSequence delimiter, CharSequence... elements)	returns a joined string
9	static String join(CharSequence delimiter, Iterable<? extends CharSequence> elements)	returns a joined string
10	boolean equals(Object another)	checks the equality of string with object
11	boolean isEmpty()	checks if string is empty

12	String concat(String str)	concatinates specified string
13	String replace(char old, char new)	replaces all occurrences of specified char value
14	String replace(CharSequence old, CharSequence new)	replaces all occurrences of specified CharSequence
15	static String equalsIgnoreCase(String another)	compares another string. It doesn't check case.
16	String[] split(String regex)	returns splitted string matching regex
17	String[] split(String regex, int limit)	returns splitted string matching regex and limit
18	String intern()	returns interned string
19	int indexOf(int ch)	returns specified char value index
20	int indexOf(int ch, int fromIndex)	returns specified char value index starting with given index
21	int indexOf(String substring)	returns specified substring index
22	int indexOf(String substring, int fromIndex)	returns specified substring index starting with given index
23	String toLowerCase()	returns string in lowercase.
24	String toLowerCase(Locale l)	returns string in lowercase using specified locale.
25	String toUpperCase()	returns string in uppercase.
26	String toUpperCase(Locale l)	returns string in uppercase using specified locale.

27	String trim()	removes beginning and ending spaces of this string.
28	static String valueOf(int value)	converts given type into string. It is overloaded.

Inheritance

Inheritance is one of the cornerstones of object-oriented programming because it allows the creation of hierarchical classifications. Using inheritance, you can create a general class that defines traits common to a set of related items. This class can then be inherited by other, more specific classes, each adding those things that are unique to it. In the terminology of Java, a class that is inherited is called a *superclass*. The class that does the inheriting is called a *subclass*. Therefore, a subclass is a specialized version of a superclass. It inherits all of the
instance variables and methods defined by the superclass and adds its own, unique elements.

Inheritance in Java

Inheritance in java is a mechanism in which one object acquires all the properties and behaviors of parent object.

The idea behind inheritance in java is that you can create new classes that are built upon existing classes. When you inherit from an existing class, you can reuse methods and fields of parent class, and you can add new methods and fields also.

Inheritance represents the **IS-A relationship**, also known as *parent-child* relationship.

Why use inheritance in java

- For Method Overriding (so runtime polymorphism can be achieved).
- For Code Reusability.

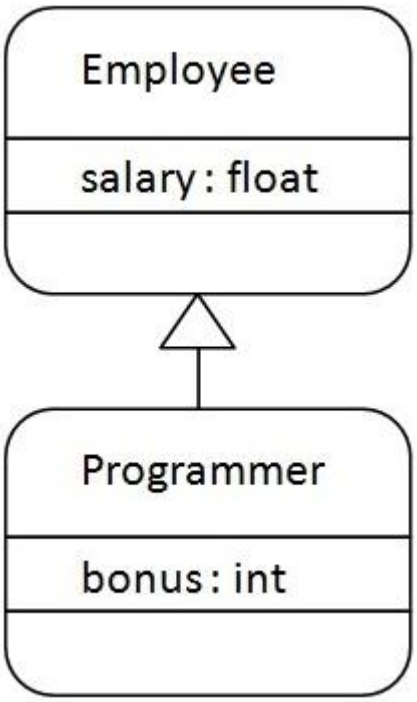
Syntax of Java Inheritance

```
class Subclass-name extends Superclass-name
{
  //methods and fields
}
```

The **extends keyword** indicates that you are making a new class that derives from an existing class. The meaning of "extends" is to increase the functionality.

In the terminology of Java, a class which is inherited is called parent or super class and the new class is called child or subclass.

Java Inheritance Example



As displayed in the above figure, Programmer is the subclass and Employee is the superclass. Relationship between two classes is **Programmer IS-A Employee**.It means that Programmer is a type of Employee.

```
class Employee{
 float salary=40000;
}
class Programmer extends Employee{
 int bonus=10000;
 public static void main(String args[]){
   Programmer p=new Programmer();
   System.out.println("Programmer salary is:"+p.salary);
   System.out.println("Bonus of Programmer is:"+p.bonus);
}
}
```

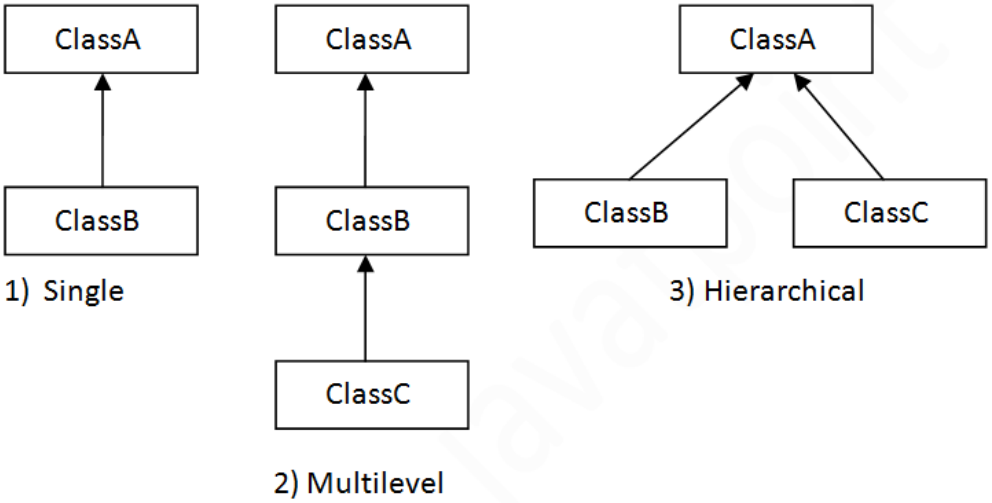
OUTPUT:
Programmer salary is:40000.0
Bonus of programmer is:10000

In the above example, Programmer object can access the field of own class as well as of Employee class i.e. code reusability.

Types of inheritance in java

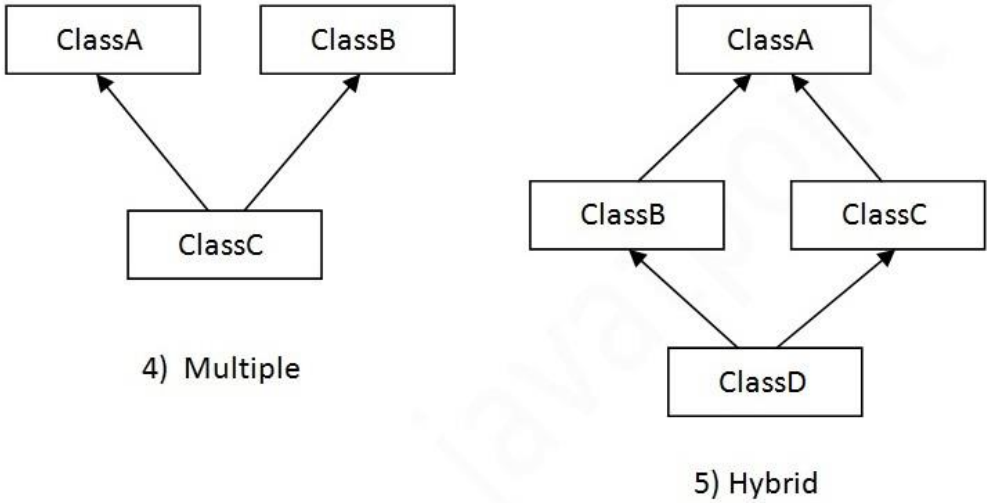
On the basis of class, there can be three types of inheritance in java: single, multilevel and hierarchical.

In java programming, multiple and hybrid inheritance is supported through interface only. We will learn about interfaces later.



Note: Multiple inheritance is not supported in java through class.

When a class extends multiple classes i.e. known as multiple inheritance. For Example:



Single Inheritance Example

File: TestInheritance.java

```
class Animal{
void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
}
class Dog extends Animal{
void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
}
class TestInheritance{
public static void main(String args[]){
Dog d=new Dog();
d.bark();
d.eat();
```

```
}}
```

Output:

```
barking...
eating...
```

Multilevel Inheritance Example

File: TestInheritance2.java

```
class Animal{
void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
}
class Dog extends Animal{
void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
}
class BabyDog extends Dog{
void weep(){System.out.println("weeping...");}
}
class TestInheritance2{
public static void main(String args[]){
BabyDog d=new BabyDog();
d.weep();
d.bark();
d.eat();
}}
```

Output:

```
weeping...
barking...
eating...
```

Hierarchical Inheritance Example

File: TestInheritance3.java

```
class Animal{
void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
}
class Dog extends Animal{
void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
}
class Cat extends Animal{
void meow(){System.out.println("meowing...");}
}
class TestInheritance3{
```

```
public static void main(String args[]){
Cat c=new Cat();
c.meow();
c.eat();
//c.bark();//C.T.Error
}}
```

Output:

```
meowing...
eating...
```

Q) Why multiple inheritance is not supported in java?

To reduce the complexity and simplify the language, multiple inheritance is not supported in java.

Consider a scenario where A, B and C are three classes. The C class inherits A and B classes. If A and B classes have same method and you call it from child class object, there will be ambiguity to call method of A or B class.

Since compile time errors are better than runtime errors, java renders compile time error if you inherit 2 classes. So whether you have same method or different, there will be compile time error now.

```
class A{
void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
}
class B{
void msg(){System.out.println("Welcome");}
}
class C extends A,B{//suppose if it were

 Public Static void main(String args[]){
   C obj=new C();
   obj.msg();//Now which msg() method would be invoked?
}
}
```

OUTPUT:
Compile Time Error

Polymorphism in Java

Polymorphism in java is a concept by which we can perform a *single action by different ways*. Polymorphism is derived from 2 greek words: poly and morphs. The word "poly" means many and "morphs" means forms. So polymorphism means many forms.

There are two types of polymorphism in java: compile time polymorphism and runtime polymorphism. We can perform polymorphism in java by method overloading and method overriding.

If you overload static method in java, it is the example of compile time polymorphism. Here, we will focus on runtime polymorphism in java.

Method Overloading in Java

If a class has multiple methods having same name but different in parameters, it is known as **Method Overloading**.

If we have to perform only one operation, having same name of the methods increases the readability of the program.

Suppose you have to perform addition of the given numbers but there can be any number of arguments, if you write the method such as a(int,int) for two parameters, and b(int,int,int) for three parameters then it may be difficult for you as well as other programmers to understand the behavior of the method because its name differs.

So, we perform method overloading to figure out the program quickly.

Advantage of method overloading

Method overloading *increases the readability of the program*.

Different ways to overload the method

There are two ways to overload the method in java

1. By changing number of arguments
2. By changing the data type

In java, Method Overloading is not possible by changing the return type of the method only.

1) Method Overloading: changing no. of arguments

In this example, we have created two methods, first add() method performs addition of two numbers and second add method performs addition of three numbers.

In this example, we are creating static methods so that we don't need to create instance for calling methods.

```
class Adder{
static int add(int a,int b){return a+b;}
static int add(int a,int b,int c){return a+b+c;}
}
class TestOverloading1{
public static void main(String[] args){
System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11));
System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11,11));
}}
```

Output:

```
22
33
```

2) Method Overloading: changing data type of arguments

In this example, we have created two methods that differs in data type. The first add method receives two integer arguments and second add method receives two double arguments.

```
class Adder{
static int add(int a, int b){return a+b;}
static double add(double a, double b){return a+b;}
}
class TestOverloading2{
public static void main(String[] args){
System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11));
System.out.println(Adder.add(12.3,12.6));
}}
```

Output:

```
22
24.9
```

Q) Why Method Overloading is not possible by changing the return type of method only?

In java, method overloading is not possible by changing the return type of the method only because of ambiguity. Let's see how ambiguity may occur:

```
class Adder{
static int add(int a,int b){return a+b;}
static double add(int a,int b){return a+b;}
}
class TestOverloading3{
public static void main(String[] args){
System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11));//ambiguity
}}
```

Output:

```
Compile Time Error: method add(int,int) is already defined in class Adder
```

System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11)); //Here, how can java determine which sum() method should be called?

Note: Compile Time Error is better than Run Time Error. So, java compiler renders compiler time error if you declare the same method having same parameters.

Can we overload java main() method?

Yes, by method overloading. You can have any number of main methods in a class by method overloading. But JVM calls main() method which receives string array as arguments only. Let's see the simple example:

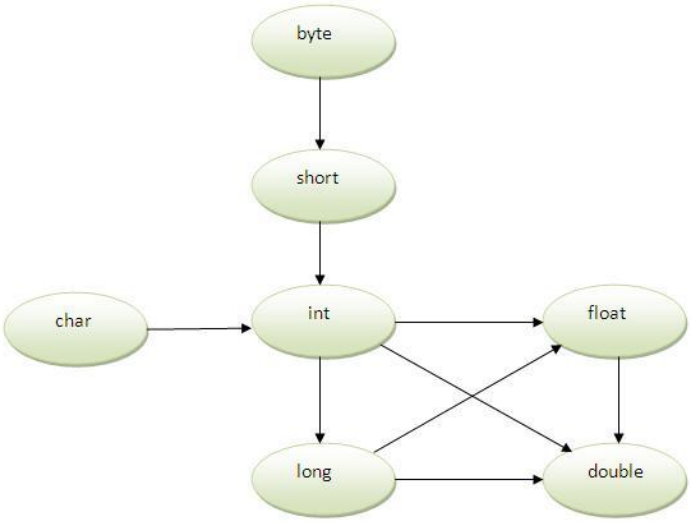
```
class TestOverloading4{
public static void main(String[] args){System.out.println("main with String[]");}
public static void main(String args){System.out.println("main with String");}
public static void main(){System.out.println("main without args");}
}
```

Output:

```
main with String[]
```

Method Overloading and Type Promotion

One type is promoted to another implicitly if no matching datatype is found. Let's understand the concept by the figure given below:



As displayed in the above diagram, byte can be promoted to short, int, long, float or double. The short datatype can be promoted to int,long,float or double. The char datatype can be promoted to int,long,float or double and so on.

Example of Method Overloading with TypePromotion

```
class OverloadingCalculation1{
  void sum(int a,long b){System.out.println(a+b);}
  void sum(int a,int b,int c){System.out.println(a+b+c);}

  public static void main(String args[]){
  OverloadingCalculation1 obj=new OverloadingCalculation1();
  obj.sum(20,20);//now second int literal will be promoted to long
  obj.sum(20,20,20);

  }
}
```

```
Output:40
     60
```

Example of Method Overloading with Type Promotion if matching found

If there are matching type arguments in the method, type promotion is not performed.

```
class OverloadingCalculation2{
  void sum(int a,int b){System.out.println("int arg method invoked");}
  void sum(long a,long b){System.out.println("long arg method invoked");}

  public static void main(String args[]){
  OverloadingCalculation2 obj=new OverloadingCalculation2();
  obj.sum(20,20);//now int arg sum() method gets invoked
  }
}
```

Output:int arg method invoked

Example of Method Overloading with Type Promotion in case of ambiguity

If there are no matching type arguments in the method, and each method promotes similar number of arguments, there will be ambiguity.

```
class OverloadingCalculation3{
  void sum(int a,long b){System.out.println("a method invoked");}
  void sum(long a,int b){System.out.println("b method invoked");}

  public static void main(String args[]){
  OverloadingCalculation3 obj=new OverloadingCalculation3();
  obj.sum(20,20);//now ambiguity
  }
}
```

Output:Compile Time Error

One type is not de-promoted implicitly for example double cannot be depromoted to any type implicitly.

Method Overriding in Java

If subclass (child class) has the same method as declared in the parent class, it is known as **method overriding in java**.

In other words, If subclass provides the specific implementation of the method that has been provided by one of its parent class, it is known as method overriding.

Usage of Java Method Overriding

- Method overriding is used to provide specific implementation of a method that is already provided by its super class.
- Method overriding is used for runtime polymorphism

Rules for Java Method Overriding

1. method must have same name as in the parent class

2. method must have same parameter as in the parent class.
3. must be IS-A relationship (inheritance).

Understanding the problem without method overriding

Let's understand the problem that we may face in the program if we don't use method overriding.

```
class Vehicle{
  void run(){System.out.println("Vehicle is running");}
}
class Bike extends Vehicle{

  public static void main(String args[]){
  Bike obj = new Bike();
  obj.run();
  }
}
```

Output:Vehicle is running

Problem is that I have to provide a specific implementation of run() method in subclass that is why we use method overriding.

Example of method overriding

In this example, we have defined the run method in the subclass as defined in the parent class but it has some specific implementation. The name and parameter of the method is same and there is IS-A relationship between the classes, so there is method overriding.

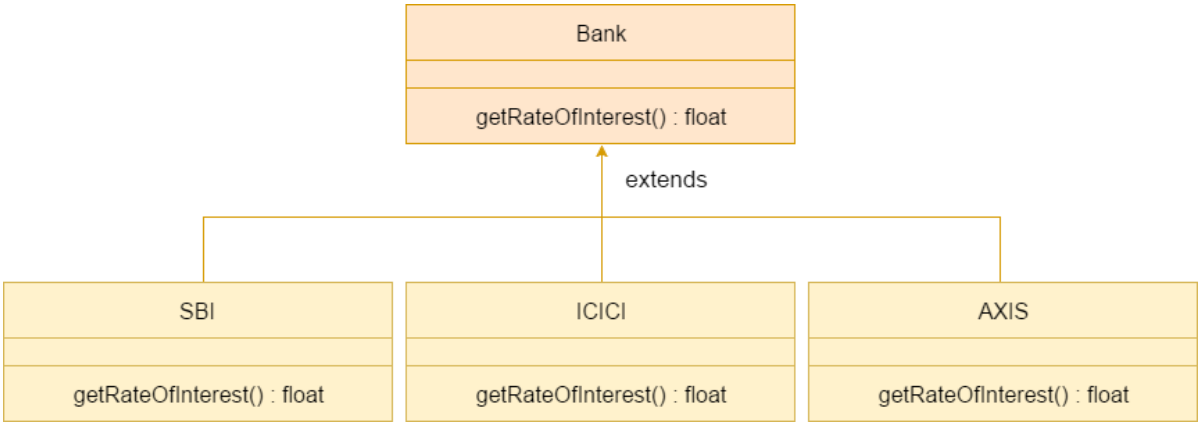
```
class Vehicle{
void run(){System.out.println("Vehicle is running");}
}
class Bike2 extends Vehicle{
void run(){System.out.println("Bike is running safely");}

public static void main(String args[]){
Bike2 obj = new Bike2();
obj.run();
}
```

Output:Bike is running safely

Real example of Java Method Overriding

Consider a scenario, Bank is a class that provides functionality to get rate of interest. But, rate of interest varies according to banks. For example, SBI, ICICI and AXIS banks could provide 8%, 7% and 9% rate of interest.




```
class Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 0;}
}

class SBI extends Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 8;}
}

class ICICI extends Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 7;}
}
class AXIS extends Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 9;}
}

class Test2{
public static void main(String args[]){
SBI s=new SBI();
ICICI i=new ICICI();
AXIS a=new AXIS();
System.out.println("SBI Rate of Interest: "+s.getRateOfInterest());
System.out.println("ICICI Rate of Interest: "+i.getRateOfInterest());
System.out.println("AXIS Rate of Interest: "+a.getRateOfInterest());
}
}
```

Output:
SBI Rate of Interest: 8
ICICI Rate of Interest: 7
AXIS Rate of Interest: 9

Can we override static method?

No, static method cannot be overridden. It can be proved by runtime polymorphism, so we will learn it later.

Why we cannot override static method?

because static method is bound with class whereas instance method is bound with object. Static belongs to class area and instance belongs to heap area.

Can we override java main method?

No, because main is a static method.

Runtime Polymorphism in Java

Runtime polymorphism or **Dynamic Method Dispatch** is a process in which a call to an overridden method is resolved at runtime rather than compile-time.

In this process, an overridden method is called through the reference variable of a superclass. The determination of the method to be called is based on the object being referred to by the reference variable.

Let's first understand the upcasting before Runtime Polymorphism.

Upcasting

When reference variable of Parent class refers to the object of Child class, it is known as upcasting. For example:


```
class A{}
class B extends A{}
```

1. A a=**new** B();//upcasting

Example of Java Runtime Polymorphism

In this example, we are creating two classes Bike and Splendar. Splendar class extends Bike class and overrides its run() method. We are calling the run method by the reference variable of Parent class. Since it refers to the subclass object and subclass method overrides the Parent class method, subclass method is invoked at runtime.

Since method invocation is determined by the JVM not compiler, it is known as runtime polymorphism.

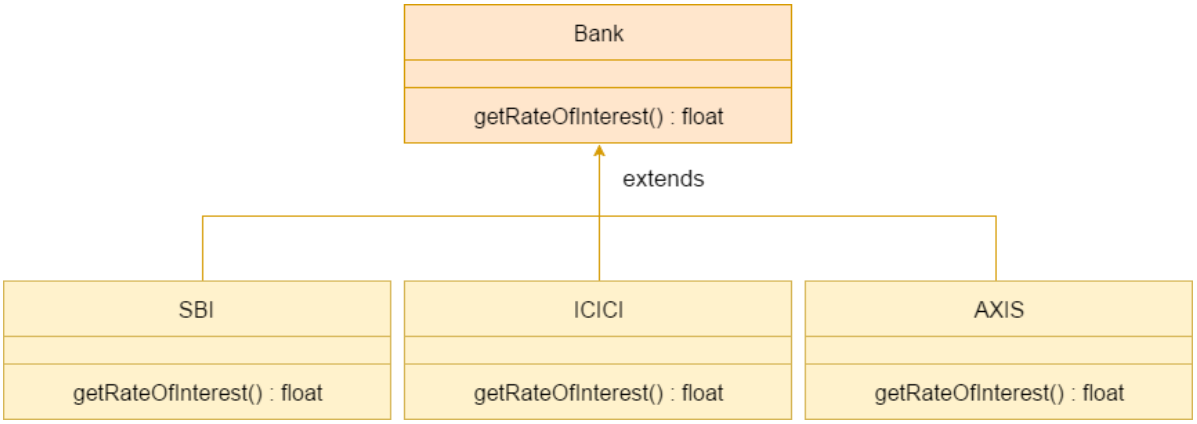
```
class Bike{
  void run(){System.out.println("running");}
}
class Splender extends Bike{
  void run(){System.out.println("running safely with 60km");}

  public static void main(String args[]){
    Bike b = new Splender();//upcasting
    b.run();
  }
}
```

Output:running safely with 60km.

Java Runtime Polymorphism Example: Bank

Consider a scenario, Bank is a class that provides method to get the rate of interest. But, rate of interest may differ according to banks. For example, SBI, ICICI and AXIS banks are providing 8.4%, 7.3% and 9.7% rate of interest.



Note: This example is also given in method overriding but there was no upcasting.

```
class Bank{
float getRateOfInterest(){return 0;}
}
class SBI extends Bank{
float getRateOfInterest(){return 8.4f;}
}
class ICICI extends Bank{
float getRateOfInterest(){return 7.3f;}
}
class AXIS extends Bank{
float getRateOfInterest(){return 9.7f;}
}
class TestPolymorphism{
public static void main(String args[]){
Bank b;
b=new SBI();
System.out.println("SBI Rate of Interest: "+b.getRateOfInterest());
b=new ICICI();
System.out.println("ICICI Rate of Interest: "+b.getRateOfInterest());
b=new AXIS();
System.out.println("AXIS Rate of Interest: "+b.getRateOfInterest());
}
}
```

Output:

SBI Rate of Interest: 8.4
ICICI Rate of Interest: 7.3
AXIS Rate of Interest: 9.7

Access Modifiers in java

There are two types of modifiers in java: **access modifiers** and **non-access modifiers**.

The access modifiers in java specifies accessibility (scope) of a data member, method, constructor or class.

There are 4 types of java access modifiers:

1. private
2. default
3. protected
4. public

There are many non-access modifiers such as static, abstract, synchronized, native, volatile, transient etc. Here, we will learn access modifiers.

1) private access modifier

The private access modifier is accessible only within class.

Simple example of private access modifier

In this example, we have created two classes A and Simple. A class contains private data member and private method. We are accessing these private members from outside the class, so there is compile time error.

```
class A{
private int data=40;
private void msg(){System.out.println("Hello java");}
}

public class Simple{
 public static void main(String args[]){
   A obj=new A();
   System.out.println(obj.data);//Compile Time Error
   obj.msg();//Compile Time Error
   }
}
```

Role of Private Constructor

If you make any class constructor private, you cannot create the instance of that class from outside the class. For example:

```
class A{
```

```
private A(){}//private constructor
void msg(){System.out.println("Hello java");}
}
public class Simple{
 public static void main(String args[]){
   A obj=new A();//Compile Time Error
 }
}
```

Note: A class cannot be private or protected except nested class.

2) default access modifier

If you don't use any modifier, it is treated as **default** bydefault. The default modifier is accessible only within package.

Example of default access modifier

In this example, we have created two packages pack and mypack. We are accessing the A class from outside its package, since A class is not public, so it cannot be accessed from outside the package.

```
//save by A.java
package pack;
class A{
  void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
}
//save by B.java
package mypack;
import pack.*;
class B{
  public static void main(String args[]){
    A obj = new A();//Compile Time Error
    obj.msg();//Compile Time Error
  }
}
```

In the above example, the scope of class A and its method msg() is default so it cannot be accessed from outside the package.

3) protected access modifier

The **protected access modifier** is accessible within package and outside the package but through inheritance only.

The protected access modifier can be applied on the data member, method and constructor. It can't be applied on the class.

Example of protected access modifier

In this example, we have created the two packages pack and mypack. The A class of pack package is public, so can be accessed from outside the package. But msg method of this package is declared as protected, so it can be accessed from outside the class only through inheritance.

```
//save by A.java
package pack;
public class A{
protected void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
}
//save by B.java
package mypack;
import pack.*;

class B extends A{
  public static void main(String args[]){
   B obj = new B();
   obj.msg();
  }
}
```

Output:Hello

4) public access modifier

The **public access modifier** is accessible everywhere. It has the widest scope among all other modifiers.

Example of public access modifier

```
//save by A.java

package pack;
public class A{
public void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
}
//save by B.java

package mypack;
import pack.*;

class B{
  public static void main(String args[]){
   A obj = new A();
   obj.msg();
  }
}
```

Output:Hello

Understanding all java access modifiers

Let's understand the access modifiers by a simple table.

Access Modifier	within class	within package	outside package by subclass only	outside package
Private	Y	N	N	N
Default	Y	Y	N	N
Protected	Y	Y	Y	N
Public	Y	Y	Y	Y

super keyword in java

The **super** keyword in java is a reference variable which is used to refer immediate parent class object.

Whenever you create the instance of subclass, an instance of parent class is created implicitly which is referred by super reference variable.

Usage of java super Keyword

1. super can be used to refer immediate parent class instance variable.
2. super can be used to invoke immediate parent class method.
3. super() can be used to invoke immediate parent class constructor.

1) super is used to refer immediate parent class instance variable.

We can use super keyword to access the data member or field of parent class. It is used if parent class and child class have same fields.

```
class Animal{
String color="white";
}
class Dog extends Animal{
String color="black";
void printColor(){
System.out.println(color);//prints color of Dog class
System.out.println(super.color);//prints color of Animal class
}
}
class TestSuper1{
public static void main(String args[]){
Dog d=new Dog();
```

```
d.printColor();
}}
```

Output:

```
black
white
```

In the above example, Animal and Dog both classes have a common property color. If we print color property, it will print the color of current class by default. To access the parent property, we need to use super keyword.

2) super can be used to invoke parent class method

The super keyword can also be used to invoke parent class method. It should be used if subclass contains the same method as parent class. In other words, it is used if method is overridden.

```
class Animal{
void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
}
class Dog extends Animal{
void eat(){System.out.println("eating bread...");}
void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
void work(){
super.eat();
bark();
}
}
class TestSuper2{
public static void main(String args[]){
Dog d=new Dog();
d.work();
}}
```

Output:

```
eating...
barking...
```

In the above example Animal and Dog both classes have eat() method if we call eat() method from Dog class, it will call the eat() method of Dog class by default because priority is given to local.

To call the parent class method, we need to use super keyword.

3) super is used to invoke parent class constructor.

The super keyword can also be used to invoke the parent class constructor. Let's see a simple example:

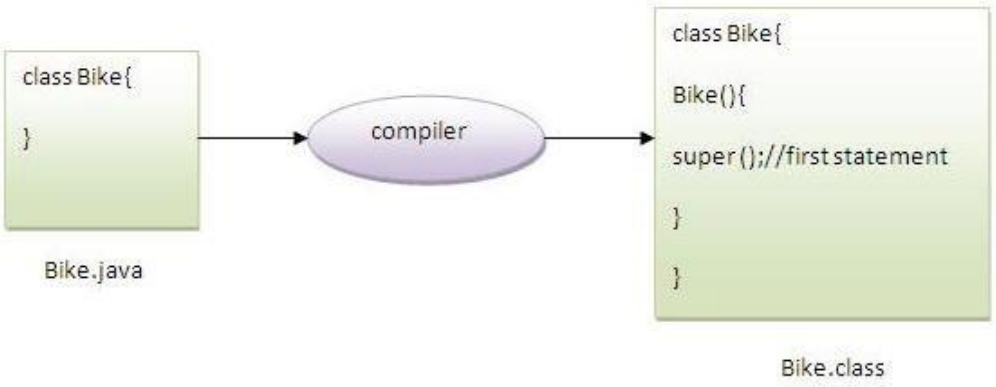
```
class Animal{
Animal(){System.out.println("animal is created");}
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal{
Dog(){
super();
System.out.println("dog is created");
}
}
class TestSuper3{
public static void main(String args[]){
Dog d=new Dog();
}}
```

Output:

```
animal is created
dog is created
```

Note: super() is added in each class constructor automatically by compiler if there is no super() or this().



As we know well that default constructor is provided by compiler automatically if there is no constructor. But, it also adds super() as the first statement.

Another example of super keyword where super() is provided by the compiler implicitly.

```
class Animal{
Animal(){System.out.println("animal is created");}
}
class Dog extends Animal{
Dog(){
System.out.println("dog is created");
}
}
class TestSuper4{
public static void main(String args[]){
Dog d=new Dog();
}}
```

Output:

```
animal is created
dog is created
```

super example: real use

Let's see the real use of super keyword. Here, Emp class inherits Person class so all the properties of Person will be inherited to Emp by default. To initialize all the property, we are using parent class constructor from child class. In such way, we are reusing the parent class constructor.

```
class Person{
int id;
String name;
Person(int id,String name){
this.id=id;
this.name=name;
}
}
class Emp extends Person{
float salary;
Emp(int id,String name,float salary){
super(id,name);//reusing parent constructor
this.salary=salary;
}
void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name+" "+salary);}
}
class TestSuper5{
public static void main(String[] args){
Emp e1=new Emp(1,"ankit",45000f);
e1.display();
}}
```

Output:

```
1 ankit 45000
```

Final Keyword In Java

The **final keyword** in java is used to restrict the user. The java final keyword can be used in many context. Final can be:

1. variable
2. method
3. class

The final keyword can be applied with the variables, a final variable that have no value it is called blank final variable or uninitialized final variable. It can be initialized in the constructor only. The blank final variable can be static also which will be initialized in the static block only. We will have detailed learning of these. Let's first learn the basics of final keyword.

1) Java final variable

If you make any variable as final, you cannot change the value of final variable(It will be constant).

Example of final variable

There is a final variable speedlimit, we are going to change the value of this variable, but It can't be changed because final variable once assigned a value can never be changed.

```
class Bike9{
 final int speedlimit=90;//final variable
 void run(){
  speedlimit=400;
 }
 public static void main(String args[]){
 Bike9 obj=new  Bike9();
 obj.run();
 }
}//end of class
```

Output:Compile Time Error

2) Java final method

If you make any method as final, you cannot override it.

Example of final method

```
class Bike{
  final void run(){System.out.println("running");}
}

class Honda extends Bike{
   void run(){System.out.println("running safely with 100kmph");}

   public static void main(String args[]){
   Honda honda= new Honda();
   honda.run();
```

```
  }
}
```
Output:Compile Time Error

3) Java final class

If you make any class as final, you cannot extend it.

Example of final class

```
final class Bike{}

class Honda1 extends Bike{
  void run(){System.out.println("running safely with 100kmph");}

  public static void main(String args[]){
  Honda1 honda= new Honda();
  honda.run();
  }
}
```
Output:Compile Time Error

Q) Is final method inherited?

Ans) Yes, final method is inherited but you cannot override it. For Example:

```
class Bike{
  final void run(){System.out.println("running...");}
}
class Honda2 extends Bike{
   public static void main(String args[]){
    new Honda2().run();
   }
}
```
Output:running...

Q) What is blank or uninitialized final variable?

A final variable that is not initialized at the time of declaration is known as blank final variable.

If you want to create a variable that is initialized at the time of creating object and once initialized may not be changed, it is useful. For example PAN CARD number of an employee.

It can be initialized only in constructor.

Example of blank final variable

```
class Student{
int id;
String name;
final String PAN_CARD_NUMBER;
...
```

```
}
```

Que) Can we initialize blank final variable?

Yes, but only in constructor. For example:

```
class Bike10{
  final int speedlimit;//blank final variable

  Bike10(){
  speedlimit=70;
  System.out.println(speedlimit);
  }

  public static void main(String args[]){
    new Bike10();
  }
}
```

Output:70

static blank final variable

A static final variable that is not initialized at the time of declaration is known as static blank final variable. It can be initialized only in static block.

Example of static blank final variable

```
class A{
  static final int data;//static blank final variable
  static{ data=50;}
  public static void main(String args[]){
    System.out.println(A.data);
  }
}
```

Q) What is final parameter?

If you declare any parameter as final, you cannot change the value of it.

```
class Bike11{
  int cube(final int n){
   n=n+2;//can't be changed as n is final
   n*n*n;
  }
  public static void main(String args[]){
    Bike11 b=new Bike11();
    b.cube(5);
  }
}
```

Output:Compile Time Error

Q) Can we declare a constructor final?

No, because constructor is never inherited.

Java static keyword

The **static keyword** in Java is used for memory management mainly. We can apply static keyword with variables, methods, blocks and nested classes. The static keyword belongs to the class than an instance of the class.

The static can be:

1. Variable (also known as a class variable)
2. Method (also known as a class method)
3. Block

1) Java static variable

If you declare any variable as static, it is known as a static variable.

- The static variable can be used to refer to the common property of all objects (which is not unique for each object), for example, the company name of employees, college name of students, etc.
- The static variable gets memory only once in the class area at the time of class loading.

Advantages of static variable

It makes your program **memory efficient** (i.e., it saves memory).

Understanding the problem without static variable

```
class Student{
    int rollno;
    String name;
    String college="ITS";
}
```

Suppose there are 500 students in my college, now all instance data members will get memory each time when the object is created. All students have its unique rollno and name, so instance data member is good in such case. Here, "college" refers to the common property of all objects. If we make it static, this field will get the memory only once.

Java static property is shared to all objects.

Example of static variable

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the use of static variable
class Student{
  int rollno;//instance variable
  String name;
```

```
  static String college ="ITS";//static variable
  //constructor
  Student(int r, String n){
  rollno = r;
  name = n;
  }
  //method to display the values
  void display (){System.out.println(rollno+" "+name+" "+college);}
}
//Test class to show the values of objects
public class TestStaticVariable1{
 public static void main(String args[]){
 Student s1 = new Student(111,"Karan");
 Student s2 = new Student(222,"Aryan");
 //we can change the college of all objects by the single line of code
 //Student.college="BBDIT";
 s1.display();
 s2.display();
 }
}
```

Output:

```
111 Karan ITS
222 Aryan ITS
```

2) Java static method

If you apply static keyword with any method, it is known as static method.

- A static method belongs to the class rather than the object of a class.
- A static method can be invoked without the need for creating an instance of a class.
- A static method can access static data member and can change the value of it.

Example of static method

```
//Java Program to demonstrate the use of a static method.
class Student{
    int rollno;
    String name;
    static String college = "ITS";
    //static method to change the value of static variable
    static void change(){
    college = "BBDIT";
```

```
    }
    //constructor to initialize the variable
    Student(int r, String n){
    rollno = r;
    name = n;
    }
    //method to display values
    void display(){System.out.println(rollno+" "+name+" "+college);}
}
//Test class to create and display the values of object
public class TestStaticMethod{
   public static void main(String args[]){
   Student.change();//calling change method
   //creating objects
   Student s1 = new Student(111,"Karan");
   Student s2 = new Student(222,"Aryan");
   Student s3 = new Student(333,"Sonoo");
   //calling display method
   s1.display();
   s2.display();
   s3.display();
   }
}
Output:111 Karan BBDIT
       222 Aryan BBDIT
       333 Sonoo BBDIT
```

Restrictions for the static method

There are two main restrictions for the static method. They are:

1. The static method can not use non static data member or call non-static method directly.
2. this and super cannot be used in static context.

Q) Why is the Java main method static?

Ans) It is because the object is not required to call a static method. If it were a non-static method, JVM creates an object first then call main() method that will lead the problem of extra memory allocation.

3) Java static block

- Is used to initialize the static data member.
- It is executed before the main method at the time of classloading.

Example of static block

```
class A2{
  static{System.out.println("static block is invoked");}
  public static void main(String args[]){
   System.out.println("Hello main");
  }
}
```

```
Output:static block is invoked
       Hello main
```

Q) Can we execute a program without main() method?

Ans) No, one of the ways was the static block, but it was possible till JDK 1.6. Since JDK 1.7, it is not possible to execute a Java class without the main method.

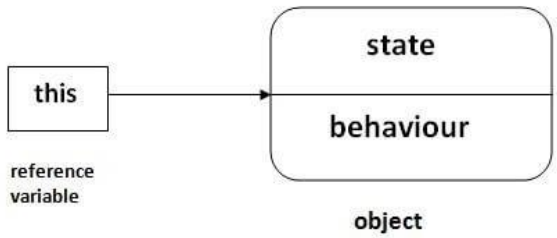
```
class A3{
  static{
  System.out.println("static block is invoked");
  System.exit(0);
  }
}
```

Output:

```
static block is invoked
```

this keyword in java

There can be a lot of usage of **java this keyword**. In java, this is a **reference variable** that refers to the current object.



Usage of java this keyword

1. this can be used to refer current class instance variable.
2. this can be used to invoke current class method (implicitly)
3. this() can be used to invoke current class constructor.

1) this: to refer current class instance variable

The this keyword can be used to refer current class instance variable. If there is ambiguity between the instance variables and parameters, this keyword resolves the problem of ambiguity.

Understanding the problem without this keyword

Let's understand the problem if we don't use this keyword by the example given below:

```
class Student{
int rollno;
String name;
float fee;
Student(int rollno,String name,float fee){
rollno=rollno;
name=name;
fee=fee;
}
void display(){System.out.println(rollno+" "+name+" "+fee);}
}
class TestThis1{
public static void main(String args[]){
Student s1=new Student(111,"ankit",5000f);
Student s2=new Student(112,"sumit",6000f);
s1.display();
s2.display();
}}
```

Output:

```
0 null 0.0
0 null 0.0
```

In the above example, parameters (formal arguments) and instance variables are same. So, we are using this keyword to distinguish local variable and instance variable.

Solution of the above problem by this keyword

```
class Student{
int rollno;
String name;
float fee;
Student(int rollno,String name,float fee){
this.rollno=rollno;
this.name=name;
this.fee=fee;
}
void display(){System.out.println(rollno+" "+name+" "+fee);}
}

class TestThis2{
```

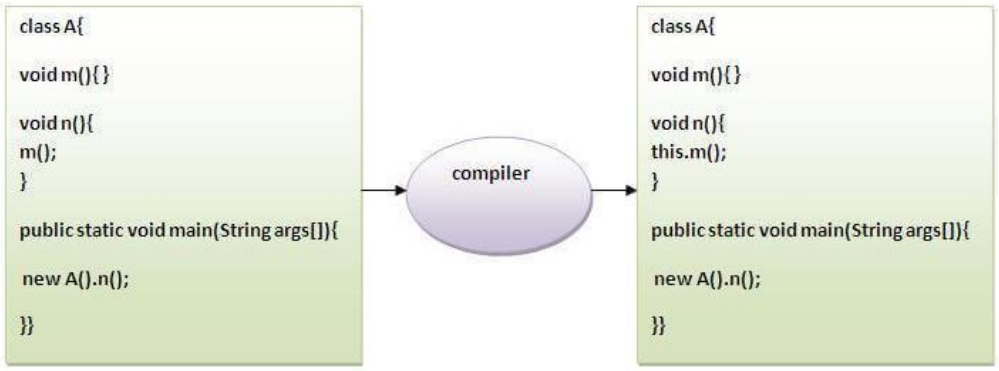
```
public static void main(String args[]){
Student s1=new Student(111,"ankit",5000f);
Student s2=new Student(112,"sumit",6000f);
s1.display();
s2.display();
}}
```

Output:

```
111 ankit 5000
112 sumit 6000
```

2) this: to invoke current class method

You may invoke the method of the current class by using the this keyword. If you don't use the this keyword, compiler automatically adds this keyword while invoking the method. Let's see the example




```
class A{
void m(){System.out.println("hello m");}
void n(){
System.out.println("hello n");
//m();//same as this.m()
this.m();
}
}
class TestThis4{
public static void main(String args[]){
A a=new A();
a.n();
}}
```

Output:

```
hello n
hello m
```

3) this() : to invoke current class constructor

The this() constructor call can be used to invoke the current class constructor. It is used to reuse the constructor. In other words, it is used for constructor chaining.

Calling default constructor from parameterized constructor:

```
class A{
A(){System.out.println("hello a");}
A(int x){
this();
System.out.println(x);
}
}
class TestThis5{
public static void main(String args[]){
A a=new A(10);
}}
```

Output:

```
hello a
10
```

Calling parameterized constructor from default constructor:

```
class A{
A(){
this(5);
System.out.println("hello a");
}
A(int x){
System.out.println(x);
}
}
class TestThis6{
public static void main(String args[]){
A a=new A();
}}
```

Output:

```
5
hello a
```

The Object Class

There is one special class, **Object**, defined by Java. All other classes are subclasses of **Object**. That is, **Object** is a superclass of all other classes. This means that a reference variable of type **Object** can refer to an object of any other class. Also, since arrays are implemented as classes, a variable of type **Object** can also refer to any array.
Object defines the following methods, which means that they are available in every object.
Method Purpose

Object clone( )	-	Creates a new object that is the same as the object being cloned.
boolean equals(Object object)	-	Determines whether one object is equal to another.
void finalize( )	-	Called before an unused object is recycled.
Class getClass( )	-	Obtains the class of an object at run time.
int hashCode( )	-	Returns the hash code associated with the invoking object.
void notify( )	-	Resumes execution of a thread waiting on the invoking object.
void notifyAll( )	-	Resumes execution of all threads waiting on the invoking object.
String toString( )	-	Returns a string that describes the object.
void wait( )		
void wait(long milliseconds)		Waits on another thread of execution.
void wait(long milliseconds, int nanoseconds)		

The methods **getClass( )**, **notify( )**, **notifyAll( )**, and **wait( )** are declared as **final**. You may override the others. These methods are described elsewhere in this book. However, notice two methods now: **equals( )** and **toString( )**. The **equals( )** method compares the contents of two objects. It returns **true** if the objects are equivalent, and **false** otherwise.

Abstract class in Java

A class that is declared with abstract keyword, is known as abstract class in java. It can have abstract and non-abstract methods (method with body).

Before learning java abstract class, let's understand the abstraction in java first.

Abstraction in Java

Abstraction is a process of hiding the implementation details and showing only functionality to the user.

Another way, it shows only important things to the user and hides the internal details for example sending sms, you just type the text and send the message. You don't know the internal processing about the message delivery.

Abstraction lets you focus on what the object does instead of how it does it.

Ways to achieve Abstaction

There are two ways to achieve abstraction in java

1. Abstract class (0 to 100%)
2. Interface (100%)

Abstract class in Java

A class that is declared as abstract is known as **abstract class**. It needs to be extended and its method implemented. It cannot be instantiated.

Example abstract class

```
abstract class A{}
```

abstract method:

A method that is declared as abstract and does not have implementation is known as abstract method.

Example abstract method

```
abstract void printStatus();//no body and abstract
```

Example of abstract class that has abstract method

In this example, Bike the abstract class that contains only one abstract method run. It implementation is provided by the Honda class.

```
abstract class Bike{
  abstract void run();
}
class Honda4 extends Bike{
void run(){System.out.println("running safely..");}
public static void main(String args[]){
 Bike obj = new Honda4();
 obj.run();
}
}
```

OUTPUT:

```
running safely..
```

Understanding the real scenario of abstract class

In this example, Shape is the abstract class, its implementation is provided by the Rectangle and Circle classes. Mostly, we don't know about the implementation class (i.e. hidden to the end user) and object of the implementation class is provided by the **factory method**.

A **factory method** is the method that returns the instance of the class. We will learn about the factory method later.

In this example, if you create the instance of Rectangle class, draw() method of Rectangle class will be invoked.

File: TestAbstraction1.java

```
abstract class Shape{
abstract void draw();
}
//In real scenario, implementation is provided by others i.e. unknown by end user
```

```
class Rectangle extends Shape{
void draw(){System.out.println("drawing rectangle");}
}
class Circle1 extends Shape{
void draw(){System.out.println("drawing circle");}
}
//In real scenario, method is called by programmer or user
class TestAbstraction1{
public static void main(String args[]){
Shape s=new Circle1();//In real scenario, object is provided through method e.g. getShape() method
s.draw();
}
}
```

OUTPUT:drawing circle

Another example of abstract class in java

File: TestBank.java

```
abstract class Bank{
abstract int getRateOfInterest();
}
class SBI extends Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 7;}
}
class PNB extends Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 8;}
}

class TestBank{
public static void main(String args[]){
Bank b;
b=new SBI();
System.out.println("Rate of Interest is: "+b.getRateOfInterest()+" %");
b=new PNB();
System.out.println("Rate of Interest is: "+b.getRateOfInterest()+" %");
}}
```

OUTPUT:Rate of Interest is: 7 %
Rate of Interest is: 8 %