LECTURE 7

Static/Non Static

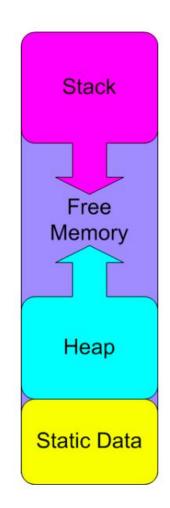
REMINDERS

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MEMORY

- **Stack** The stack is for local variables and for maintaining a record of function calls. The stack grows from the top of memory down towards the heap.
- **Heap** The heap is for dynamically allocated data items. The heap grows from the top of the static data area up as data items are allocated.

• **Static Data** - This is a block of reserved space in RAM for all the global and **static** variables from your program. Allocated once and lasts for duration of a program.



STATIC METHOD, EXAMPLE

```
public class ChalkTest {
public class Chalk {
    public String color;
                                                   public static void main(...) {
    public Chalk(String cr) {
        color = cr;
                                                     Chalk.write("hi");
    public static void write(String word) {
        System.out.println(word);
                                                         Output?
                                                         A: "hi"
                                                         B: Compile Error
```

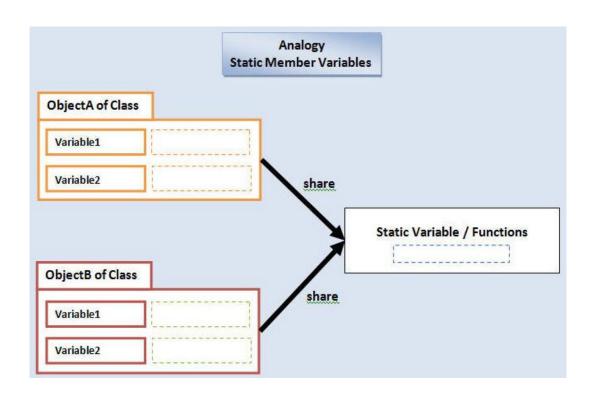
STATIC METHOD, EXAMPLE 2

```
Error: non-static variable color cannot be
public class Chalk {
                                              referenced from a static context
    public String color;
    public Chalk(String cr) {
         color = cr;
    public static void write(String word) {
                                                        main(String []args) {
         System.out.println(word);
                                                             Chalk.printColor();
                                                        }
    public static void printColor() {
         System.out.println(color); ←-non-static.
```

STATIC: BELONGS TO THE CLASS

- Class creates objects
- Constructor makes them unique (if needed)
- How to create a property that all objects share?
 - You do not want to modify this property for each object. You may want to change it just once!
 - Example: number of the cars sold, sound of the horn

SHARED PROPERTIES AND METHODS



CHALK AGAIN. 1

```
public class Chalk {
     public String color;
     public Chalk(String cr) {
         color = cr;
     public void printColor() {
         System.out.println(color);
```

```
Chalk ch1 = new Chalk("white");
Chalk ch2 = new Chalk("black");
ch2.printColor();
ch1.printColor();
```

```
A: white
   white
B: black
   black
C: black
   white
D: white
   black
```

E: Something else

CHALK AGAIN. 2

```
public class Chalk {
     public static String color;
     public Chalk(String cr) {
         color = cr;
     public void printColor() {
         System.out.println(color);
```

```
Chalk ch1 = new Chalk("white");
Chalk ch2 = new Chalk("black");
ch2.printColor();
ch1.printColor();
```

```
A: white white

B: black black

C: black white

D: white black
```

E: Something else

STATIC VARIABLES: COMMON TO ALL INSTANCES (ONE FIXED MEMORY LOCATION)

```
public class HelloWorld{
    int count;
    public HelloWorld(int i) {
        count = i;
    }

public static void print(){
    System.out.print(count);
}
```

```
HelloWorld test = new HelloWorld(1);
HelloWorld test2 = new HelloWorld(2);
test.print();
```

What will be printed?

A: 1

B: 2

C: Can't predict

D: void

E: Error

WHAT GETS PRINTED

```
public class Car
  public static int numCars = 0;
  public String color;
  public Car(String cl) {
    numCars++;
    color = cl;
public static int getNumCars() {
   return numCars;
```

```
public class Test {
    public static void main(...) {
        Car c1 = new Car("white");
        Car c2 = new Car("green");
        Car c3 = c1;
        int i = c3.getNumCars();
        System.out.println(i);
        Car c4 = new Car("blue");
    }
}
```

```
A) Compiler error
B) 0
C) 1
D) 2
E) 3
```

WHAT GETS PRINTED

```
public class Animal {
  public static String color;
  public Animal (String c) {
    color = c;
  }
  public String getColor() {
    return color;
}
```

```
public class Driver {
   public static void main(...) {
      Animal a1 = new Animal("blue");
      Animal a2 = new Animal("purple");
      System.out.println(a1.getColor());
      System.out.println(a2.getColor());
   }
}
```

A: blue, blue
B: blue, purple
C: purple, blue
D: purple, purple
E: Error

EXPECTED OUTPUT?

```
class Example {
                                                 A: 0
   public void test() {
                                                  B: 01
      int a = 0;
                                                 C: 1
      int b = 1;
                                                  D: Error
       System.out.print(a + b);
   public static void main(String[] args) {
      test();
```

PUBLIC STATIC VOID MAIN (STRING[] ARGS)

Mystery of

public static void main (String [] args)

is revealed

ONE SPECIAL ROLE FOR STRINGS: COMMAND LINE ARGUMENTS

```
public class ArgsDemo {
    /** Prints out the 0th command line argument. */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(args[0]);
    }
}
```

```
>>> java ArgsDemo hello some args
hello
```

ARGSSUM EXERCISE

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```
public static void main(String args[]) {
   int sum = 0;
   for (int i = 0; i<args.length; i++){
      sum = sum + Integer.parseInt(args[i]);
   }
   System.out.println(sum);
}</pre>
```

QUESTION + DEMO

Every variable in Java must be declared and initialized in order to have a meaningful value.

A: Of course! (True)

B: Not at all! (False)

this

- this is a keyword in Java.
- Can be used inside method or constructor of a class.
- It(this) works as a reference to a current object whose method or constructor is being invoked.
- Similar to self in Python.

```
public class Tester {
    int a;
    int b;
   Tester(int a, int b) {
      this.a = a;
      this.b = b;
   void display() {
        System.out.println("a = " + a + " b = " + b);
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Tester object = new Tester(10, 20);
        object.display();
```

```
class MyAge{
    public String name;
    public int age;
    public MyAge(String name, int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        MyAge me = new MyAge("Marina", 20);
        System.out.println(me.age);
```

Output: 20

```
class MyAge{
    public String name;
    public int age;
    public MyAge(String name, int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        MyAge me = new MyAge("Marina", 20);
        System.out.println(me.age);
```

Output: 60

```
class MyAge{
    public String name;
    public int age;
    public MyAge(String name, int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        MyAge me = new MyAge("Marina", 20);
       Me.age = 60;
        System.out.println(me.age);
```

Output: -100

```
class MyAge{
    public String name;
    public int age;
    public MyAge(String name, int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        MyAge me = new MyAge("Marina", -100);
        System.out.println(me.age);
```

```
class MyAge{
    public String name;
    public int age;
    public MyAge(String name, int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        MyAge me = new MyAge("Marina", -100);
        System.out.println(me.age);
```

ENCAPSULATION

In short: hiding information from a user, only you have control over your code.