

05_3 Copy Constructor

Object-Oriented Programming

Copy Constructor

- Constructor with a single argument of the same type as the class
- Should create an object that is a separate, independent object
- Values of instance variables are the same as original

Copy Constructor Example

```
public class Person {  
    private String name;  
    private int age;  
  
    // Copy Constructor  
    public Person(Person person) {  
        this.name = person.name;  
        this.age = person.age;  
    }  
}
```

```
// Original Person object  
Person original = new Person("John Doe", 30);  
  
// Using copy constructor  
Person copy = new Person(original);
```

Example: Person.java (1/4)

```
public class Person {  
    private String name;  
    private int age;  
  
    // default constructor  
    public Person() { }  
  
    // constructor  
    public Person(String name, int age) {  
        this.name = name;  
        this.age = age;  
    }  
  
    // Copy Constructor  
    public Person(Person person) {  
        this.name = person.name;  
        this.age = person.age;  
    }  
}
```

Example: Person.java (2/4)

```
// Accessors and Mutators
public String getName() {
    return name;
}

public void setName(String name) {
    this.name = name;
}

public int getAge() {
    return age;
}

public void setAge(int age) {
    this.age = age;
}

// toString
public String toString() {
    return "Person{name='" + name + "', age=" + age + "'}";
}
```

Example: Person.java (3/4)

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
    Person original = new Person("John Doe", 30);  
    System.out.println("Original: " + original);  
  
    // Using copy constructor  
    Person copy = new Person(original);  
    System.out.println("Copy: " + copy);  
  
    // Test the equality between original and copy objects  
    System.out.println("Are the objects equal? " + original.equals(copy));  
  
    // Test the privacy leak  
    copy.setName("Jane Doe");  
    copy.setAge(25);  
    System.out.println("Modified Copy: " + copy);  
    System.out.println("Original after modifying copy: " + original);  
}  
}
```

Example: Person.java (4/4)

OUTPUT:

Original: Person{name='John Doe', age=30}

Copy: Person{name='John Doe', age=30}

Are the objects equal? false // because the two objects' reference are different

Modified Copy: Person{name='Jane Doe', age=25}

Original after modifying copy: Person{name='John Doe', age=30}

// privacy leak prevented

Example: Person2.java (1/7)

```
public class Person2 {  
    private String name;  
    private int age;  
    private Address address; // Person2 has an Address: class variable  
  
    // class variable  
    private static String country = "Unknown";  
  
    // default constructor  
    public Person2() { }  
  
    // constructor  
    public Person2(String name, int age, Address address) {  
        this.name = name;  
        this.age = age;  
        this.address = address;  
    }  
}
```


Example: Person2.java (2/7)

```
// Shallow Copy Constructor
public Person2(Person2 person) {
    this.name = person.name;
    this.age = person.age;
    this.address = person.address; // Shallow copy (just copy the reference)
}

// Deep Copy Constructor
public Person2 deepCopy(Person2 person) {
    return new Person2(person.name, person.age, new Address(person.address));
}

// Accessors and Mutators
public String getName() {
    return name;
}

public void setName(String name) {
    this.name = name;
}
```

Example: Person2.java (3/7)

```
public int getAge() {  
    return age;  
}  
  
public void setAge(int age) {  
    this.age = age;  
}  
  
public Address getAddress() {  
    return address;  
}  
  
public void setAddress(Address address) {  
    this.address = address;  
}  
  
public static String getCountry() {  
    return country;  
}
```

Example: Person2.java (4/7)

```
public static void setCountry(String country) {
    Person2.country = country;
}

// toString
public String toString() {
    return "Person2{name='" + name + "', age=" + age + ", address=" + address
        + ", country=" + country + '}';
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    // original object creation
    Address address = new Address("Seoul", "1234 Street");
    Person2 original = new Person2("John Doe", 30, address);
    System.out.println("Original: " + original);

    // shallow copy
    Person2 shallowCopy = new Person2(original);
    System.out.println("Shallow Copy: " + shallowCopy);
}
```

Example: Person2.java (5/7)

```
// Using Deep Copy Constructor
Person2 deepCopy = original.deepCopy(original);
System.out.println("Deep Copy: " + deepCopy);

// Test the equality of original and copy
System.out.println("Are the shallow copy objects equal?" + original.equals(shallowCopy));
System.out.println("Are the deep copy objects equal? " + original.equals(deepCopy));

// Test the privacy leak
shallowCopy.setName("Jane Doe");
shallowCopy.setAge(25);
shallowCopy.getAddress().setCity("Busan");
shallowCopy.getAddress().setStreet("5678 Avenue");
System.out.println("Modified Shallow Copy: " + shallowCopy);
System.out.println("Original after modifying shallow copy: " + original);
```

Example: Person2.java (6/7)

```
deepCopy.setName("Alice Smith");
deepCopy.setAge(28);
deepCopy.getAddress().setCity("Incheon");
deepCopy.getAddress().setStreet("91011 Boulevard");
System.out.println("Modified Deep Copy: " + deepCopy);
System.out.println("Original after modifying deep copy: " + original);

// Test the class variable change
Person2.setCountry("Korea");
System.out.println("Original after changing country: " + original);
System.out.println("Shallow Copy after changing country: " + shallowCopy);
System.out.println("Deep Copy after changing country: " + deepCopy);
}
```

Example: Person2.java (7/7)

OUTPUT:

Original: Person2{name='John Doe', age=30, address=Address{city='Seoul', street='1234 Street'}, country=Unknown}

Shallow Copy: Person2{name='John Doe', age=30, address=Address{city='Seoul', street='1234 Street'}, country=Unknown}

Deep Copy: Person2{name='John Doe', age=30, address=Address{city='Seoul', street='1234 Street'}, country=Unknown}

Are the shallow copy objects equal? **false**

Are the deep copy objects equal? **false**

Modified Shallow Copy: Person2{name='Jane Doe', age=25, address=Address{city='Busan', street='5678 Avenue'}, country=Unknown}

Original after modifying shallow copy: Person2{name='John Doe', age=30, address=Address{city='Busan', street='5678 Avenue'}, country=Unknown}

Modified Deep Copy: Person2{name='Alice Smith', age=28, address=Address{city='Incheon', street='91011 Boulevard'}, country=Unknown}

Original after modifying deep copy: Person2{name='John Doe', age=30, address=Address{city='Busan', street='5678 Avenue'}, country=Unknown}

Original after changing country: Person2{name='John Doe', age=30, address=Address{city='Busan', street='5678 Avenue'}, country=Korea}

Shallow Copy after changing country: Person2{name='Jane Doe', age=25, address=Address{city='Busan', street='5678 Avenue'}, country=Korea}

Deep Copy after changing country: Person2{name='Alice Smith', age=28, address=Address{city='Incheon', street='91011 Boulevard'}, country=Korea}