Module 3

Creating Packages, Interfaces, JAR files and Annotations. The core java API package, New java.Lang Sub package, Built-in Annotations with examples. Working with Java Beans. Introspection, Customizers, creating java bean, manifest file, Bean Jar file, new bean, adding controls, Bean properties, Simple properties, Design Pattern events, creating bound properties, Bean Methods, Bean an Icon, Bean info class, Persistence, Java Beans API.

3.1 Creating Packages

Packages

- A java package is a collection of classes, interfaces, sub-packages, exceptions, enums, etc.
- o Package in java can be categorized in two form, built-in package and user-defined package.

Advantages

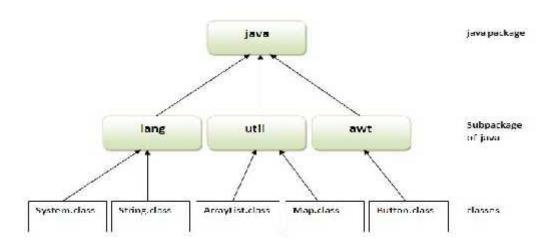
- Java package is used to categorize the classes and interfaces so that they can be easily maintained.
- o Java package provides access protection.
- o Java package removes naming collision.

3.1.1 Types of Packages in java

- There are two types of packages in java
 - o Built-in package
 - User-defined package

• Built-in package

o Existing Java package for example java.lang, java.util etc



- User- defined package
 - O Java package created by user to categorize their project's classes and Interface.
 - o Below are the steps to create user-defined package
 - Creating a package
 - Compiling a package
 - Import a package

3.1.2 Creating a package

• Include a package command followed by name of the package as the first statement in java source file.

```
package mypack;
public class employee
{
    statement;
}
```

- The above statement will create a package with name **mypack** in the project directory.
- Java uses file system directories to store packages. For example, the .java file for any class you define to be part of **mypack** package must be stored in a **directory** called **mypack**.
- A package is always defined as a separate folder having the same name as the package name
- Store all the classes in that package folder.
- All classes of the package which we wish to access outside the package must be declared public.
- All classes within the package must have the package statement as its first line
- All classes of the package must be compiled before use (So that they are error free)
- Example

```
//save as FirstProgram.java
package learnjava;
public class FirstProgram{
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        System.out.println("Welcome to package");
    }
}
```

• Compiling java programs inside packages

o This is just like compiling a normal java program

```
Syntax: javac -d directory javafilename

Example: javac -d . FirstProgram.java
```

- o The -d switch specifies the destination where to put the generated class file.
- o If you want to keep the package within the same directory, you can use . (dot).

• Importing a package

- o **import** keyword is used to import built-in and user-defined packages into your java source file so that your class can refer to a class that is in another package by directly using its name.
- o The import keyword is used to make the classes and interface of another package accessible to the current package.
- o If you import packagename.classname then only the class with name classname in the package with name packagename will be available for use.

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

//save by B.java
package mypack;
import pack.A;
class B {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        A obj = new A();
        obj.msg();
    }
}
```

o If you use packagename.*, then all the classes and interfaces of this package will be accessible but the classes and interface inside the subpackages will not be available for use.

```
//save by First.java
package learnjava;
public class First{
    public void msg() {
        System.out.println("Hello");
}
//save by Second.java
import learnjava.*;
class Second {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        First obj = new First();
        obj.msg();
    }
```

3.1.3 Creating Packages that have sub package

- A subpackage is just a package in a subdirectory of another package's directory. Java uses dot as the package name separator
- Suppose we have a file called "HelloWorld.java". and want to store it in a subpackage "subpackage", which stays inside package "package".
- The "HelloWorld" class should look something like this:

```
package package.subpackage;
public class HelloWorld {
  public void show(){
     System.out.println("Hello World");
```

3.2 Interfaces

- Interface is a pure abstract class. They are syntactically similar to classes, but you cannot create instance of an **Interface** and their methods are declared without any body.
- Interface is used to achieve complete **abstraction** in Java.
- When you create an interface it defines what a class can do without saying anything about how the class will do it.

• Syntax:

```
interface interface_name { }
```

• Example

```
interface Moveable
{
    int AVERAGE-SPEED=40;
    void move();
}
```

• Note

- o Complier automatically converts methods of interface as public and abstract, and the data member as public, static and final by default.
- o Methods inside Interface must not be static, final.
- All variables declared inside interface are implicitly public static final variables(constants).
- All methods declared inside Java Interfaces are implicitly public and abstract,
 even if you don't use public or abstract keyword.
- o Interface can extend one or more other interface.
- o Interface cannot implement a class.
- o Interface can be nested inside another interface.

• Example of Interface implementation

```
interface Moveable
{
  int AVG-SPEED = 40;
  void move();
}

class Vehicle implements Moveable
{
  public void move()
  {
   System .out. print in ("Average speed is"+AVG-SPEED");
  }
  public static void main (String[] arg)
  {
   Vehicle vc = new Vehicle();
   vc.move();
  }
}

Output:
Average speed is 40
```

• Interfaces supports Multiple inheritance

o Though classes in java doesn't support multiple inheritance, but a class can implement more than one interface.

```
interface Moveable
{
  boolean isMoveable();
}
interface Rollable
{
  boolean isRollable
}
class Tyre implements Moveable, Rollable
{
  int width;
  boolean isMoveable()
  {
   return true;
}
```

```
boolean isRollable()
{
  return true;
}
public static void main(String args[])
{
  Tyre tr=new Tyre();
  System.out.println(tr.isMoveable());
  System.out.println(tr.isRollable());
}
}
Output:
true
true
```

• Interface extends other Interface

O Classes implements interfaces, but an interface extends other interface.

```
interface NewsPaper
{
  news();
}
interface Magazine extends NewsPaper
{
  colorful();
}
```

• Difference between Abstract Class and Interface

Abstract Class	Interface
Abstract class is a class which contain one or	Interface is a Java Object containing method
more abstract methods, which has to be	declaration but no implementation. The classes
implemented by its sub classes.	which implement the Interfaces must provide the
	method definition for all the methods
Abstract class is a Class prefix with an abstract	Interface is a pure abstract class which starts with
keyword followed by Class definition.	interface keyword.
Abstract class can also contain concrete	Whereas, Interface contains all abstract methods
methods.	and final variable declarations.
Abstract classes are useful in a situation that	Interfaces are useful in a situation that all properties
Some general methods should be	should be implemented
implemented and specialization behavior	
should be implemented by child classes.	

3.3JAR files

- The Java Archive (JAR) file format enables you to *bundle multiple* files into a single archive file.
- Typically a JAR file **contains**
 - o the class files
 - o auxiliary resources (applets, images, audio)
- An **archive file** is a file that is **composed** of one or more computer files along with metadata.
- Archive files are used to collect multiple data files together into a single file for easier portability and storage.
- It can be digitally sign the jar file to prove their origin.

3.3.1 Creating a jar file

• Basic command for creating a JAR file:

- Options
 - c: create a JAR file
 - f: output jar file
 - v: produce verbose output
 - *jar-file*: the name of the resulting JAR file
 - o can use any filename for a JAR file
 - o by convention, JAR filenames are given a .jar extension
 - *input-file*(s): a space-separated list of one or more files to be placed in the JAR file.
 - > can contain the wildcard * symbol
 - > can be directory names; directories are added recursively

3.3.2 Viewing a JAR file

• Basic command for viewing the contents of a JAR file:

Options

Options

- *t* : show table of contents
- f: jar file
- v: produce additional information like file sizes and dates

This command will display the table of contents of the JAR file to stdout

3.3.3 Extracting Files from JAR File

• To extract the files from a .jar file

• Unpacking all the files in a JAR file will create directory structure

Example:

C:\jar xf pack.jar

This will create the following directories in C:\

META-INF

pack $/\!/$ in this directory , we can see class1.class and class2.class.

3.3.4 Updating a JAR File

• The Jar tool provides a 'u' option which you can use to update the contents of an existing JAR file by modifying its manifest or by adding files. The basic command for adding files has this format:

More on JAR

Options for Creating JAR

Options	Descriptions
-с	creates new archive file
-V	generates verbose output. It displays the included or extracted resource on the standard output
-m	includes manifest information from the given mf file.
-f	specifies the archive file name
-X	extracts files from the archive file
-t	To view the contents of a JAR file

To perform basic tasks with JAR files, you use the Java Archive Tool provided as part of the Java Development Kit (JDK).

Operation	Command
To create a JAR file	jar cf jar-file input-file(s)
To view the contents of a JAR file	jar tf jar-file
To extract the contents of a JAR file	jar xf jar-file
To extract specific files from a JAR file	jar xf jar-file archived-file(s)
To run an application packaged as a JAR file (requires the Main-class manifest header)	java -jar app.jar
To invoke an applet packaged as a JAR file	<applet code="AppletClassName.class<br">archive="JarFileName.jar" width=width height=height></applet>

3.4 Annotations

- Java annotations is a tag that represents metadata.
- i.e. attached with class, interface, methods or fields to indicate some additional information which can be used by java compiler and JVM.
- Java annotations were added to Java from Java 5.
- Annotations start with '@'

3.4.1 Categories of Annotation

• There are three categories of annotations

• Marker Annotation

- o Marker Annotation are annotation without any methods.
- o The purpose is to mark declaration
- o @**Override** is an example of Marker Annotation.

• Single valued Annotation

- O These annotations contain only one member specifying the value of the member.
- Only value has to specified, not required to specify name of the member
- O Example: @SuppressWarnings(value);

Multivalued Annotation

- O These annotations consist of multiple data members/ name, value, pairs.
- Example: @WebServlet(attribute1 =value1, atrribute2=value2, attribute3=value3)

3.4.2 Predefined/ Standard Annotations/Built-in Annotations

- imported from java.lang.annotation
 - o @Retention
 - O @Documented
 - O @Target
 - O @Inherited.
- included in java.lang
 - @Deprecated
 - O @Override
 - @SuppressWarnings

• @Deprecated Annotation

- O It is a marker annotation. It indicates that a declaration is obsolete and has been replaced by a newer form.
- O The Javadoc @deprecated tag should be used when an element has been deprecated
- O @deprecated tag is for documentation and @Deprecated annotation is for runtime reflection.
- o Example:

```
public class Test
{
    @Deprecated
    public void Display()
    {
        System.out.println("Deprecated test display()");
    }
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        Test d = new Test();
        d.Display();
    }
}
Output:
Deprecatedtest display()
```

• @Override

- O It is a marker annotation that can be used only on methods.
- O A method annotated with @Override must override a method from a superclass.
- O It is used to ensure that a superclass method is actually overridden, and not simply overloaded.

• @SuppressWarnings

- o It is used to inform the compiler to suppress specified compiler warnings
- o The warnings to suppress are specified by name, in string form. This type of annotation can be applied to any type of declaration.
- o Java groups warnings under two categories. They are **deprecation** and **unchecked.** Any unchecked warning is generated when a legacy code interfaces with a code that use generics.

```
import java.util.*;
class TestAnnotation2{

@SuppressWarnings("unchecked")
public static void main(String args[]){
    ArrayList list=new ArrayList();

    list.add("anil");
    list.add("vimal");
    list.add("ratan");

for(Object obj:list)
```

```
System.out.println(obj);
}}
Output:
anil
vimal
ratan
```

@Retention Annotation

- o It determines where and how long the annotation is retent.
- o The 3 values that the @Retention annotation can have:
 - **SOURCE:** Annotations will be retained at the source level and ignored by the compiler.
 - **CLASS:** Annotations will be retained at compile time and ignored by the JVM.
 - **RUNTIME:** These will be retained at runtime.

• @Documented

- o It is a marker interface that tells a tool that an annotation is to be documented.
- o It is designed to be used only as an annotation to an annotation declaration

• @Target

- o It is designed to be used only as an annotation to another annotation.
- o @Target takes one argument, which must be constant from the ElementType enumeration.
- o This argument specifies the type of declarations to which the annotation can be applied.
- o The constants are shown below along with the type of declaration to which they correspond.

Target Constant	Annotations Can be applied for
ANNOTATION_TYPE	Another annotation
CONSTRUCTOR	Constructor
FIELD	Field
LOCAL_VARIABLE	Local Variable
METHOD	Method
PACKAGE	Package
PARAMETER	Parameter
TYPE	Class, Interface, or enumeration

• @Inherited

- @Inherited is a marker annotation that can be used only on annotation declaration.
- O It affects only annotations that will be used on class declarations.
- o **@Inherited** causes the annotation for a superclass to be inherited by a subclass.
- O Therefore, when a request for a specific annotation is made to the subclass, if that annotation is not present in the subclass, then its superclass is checked. If that

annotation is present in the superclass, and if it is annotated with @Inherited, then that annotation will be returned.

User defined/ Custom Annotation

- User-defined annotations can be used to annotate program elements, i.e. variables, constructors, methods, etc. These annotations can be applied just before declaration of an element (constructor, method, classes, etc).
- Syntax of Declaration:

```
[Access Specifier]
@interface<AnnotationName>
{
    DataType <Method Name>() [default value];
}
```

- **AnnotationName** is an identifier.
- Parameter should not be associated with method declarations and **throws** clause should not be used with method declaration.
- Parameters will not have a null value but can have a default value.
- *default value* is optional.
- Return type of method should be either primitive, enum, string, class name or array of primitive, enum, string or class name type.

3.5 The core java API package

• Java **APl(Application Program Interface)** provides a large numbers of classes grouped into different packages according to functionality.

Package	Description	
java.lang	Language support classes. They include classes for primitive types, string,	
	math functions, thread and exceptions.	
java.util	Language utility classes such as vectors, hash tables, random numbers, data,	
	etc.	
java.io	Input/output support classes. They provide facilities for the input and output	
	of data.	
java.applet	Classes for creating and implementing applets	
java.net	Classes for networking. They include classes for communicating with local	
	computers as well as with internet servers.	
java.awt	Set of classes for implementing graphical user interface. They include	
	classes for windows, buttons, lists, menus and so on	