

Scope Management

Scope refers to availability of a variable from a given place in code it is declared in.

Following chart shows which modifier is accessible in a given scope:

Scope	public	protected	default	private
From within the object	yes	yes	yes	yes
From a class within the same package	yes	yes	yes	no
From a class outside of a package	yes	no	no	no
From a subclass located in the same package	yes	yes	yes	no
From a subclass located outside of the package.	yes	yes	no	no

For information hiding all variables should be declared private.

final - properties cannot be changed

final - methods cannot be overridden.

static - properties/methods are global to objects of the same object types.