

Object Oriented Programming

In Java

- Object Oriented Programming: It is a programming paradigm to design a program using classes and objects.
 - ✦ It simplifies the software development & maintenance by providing some concepts.
- Classes: It is a user defined datatype which defines its properties & its functions.
- Objects: It is a runtime entity. It is an instance of the class.
 - ✦ An object can operate on both data members and member functions.
- 'This' keyword: In Java it refers to the current instance of the class. Used while,
 - ✦ passes the current object as a parameter to another method.
 - ✦ refer to the current class instance variable.
- Constructor: Constructor is a special method which is invoked automatically at the time of object creation. It is used to initialize the data members of new objects generally.
 - ✦ At the time of calling the constructor, the memory is allocated for the object.
 - ✦ 3 types of constructor are there.
① Parameterized ② Non-Parameterized ③ default.
- Polymorphism: Polymorphism is the ability to present the same interface for differing underlying forms.
 - ✦ With polymorphism, each of the classes will have different underlying data. Precisely 'Poly' means 'many' and 'morphism' means 'forms'.

Types: ① Compile-time (Static) ② Runtime (Dynamic)

① Compiletime Polymorphism: Implemented at the time of compilation. It is known as static Polymorphism.
example: method overloading.

Method overloading: By this technique we are allowed to have more than one function or method with the same name but with different functionalities. It can be done by either ① the type of parameters passed are different or ② the number of parameters passed are not same.

② Runtime Polymorphism: It is also known as Dynamic Polymorphism.

example: function overriding.

Function overriding: Child ~~can~~ class override the parent class, it is known as function overriding.

• Inheritance: Inheritance is a process in which one object acquires all the properties and behaviour of its parent Object automatically using 'extends' key word.

↳ the class which inherits → Derived class/child class.

↳ the class which is inherited → Base class/Parent class.

Types: ① Single ② Hierarchical ③ Multilevel ④ Hybrid.

○ ← classes
→ ← Inherits



• Packages: Group of similar types of classes, interfaces and sub-packages. It can be in built or user defined.
use 'import' keyword to use them.

• Access Modifiers: where can be used defined by access modifiers.

	class	Packages	Subclasses	World.
Private:	Yes	No	No	No
Protected:	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Default:	Yes	Yes	No	No
Public:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

- Encapsulation: Encapsulation is the process of combining data and functions into single class unit, the data is kept private not accessed directly. Separate setter & getter methods are provided to manipulate the data. ^{Data hiding}
↳ encapsulation makes the concept of ~~encapsulation~~ ^{data hiding} possible.

Data hiding: A language feature to restrict access to members of an object. using 'private', 'protected' keyword we can achieve that in java.

- Abstraction: Hiding the unnecessary details and showing only the essential parts / functionalities to the specific user. achieved using 'abstract' keyword.

It is achieved by two ways - (in java)

① abstract class.

② Interfaces (Pure abstraction)

① Abstract class:

- must be declared using abstract keyword.
- can have abstract & non abstract methods.
- abstract methods must have to explained in child classes. (body)
- It can not be initiated.
- can have final methods which will force the child classes not to change the body of the method.

• Interfaces:

- All the fields in the interfaces are public static & final by default.
- All methods are public abstract by default.
- A class that implements an interface must implement all methods declared in the interface.
- Interface supports the functionalities of multiple inheritance.

- 'Static' keyword: mainly used for memory management.

- Static can be
 - ① variable
 - ② method
 - ③ Block
 - ④ Nested class.

- Static variable only gets memory once in the class area during class loading.

- 'Super' keyword:

- Used to refer immediate parent class object/instance variable.
- can be used to refer immediate parent class method.
- can be used to refer immediate parent class constructor.

- 'Final' keyword:

- Used to restrict the user.

- Final can be
 - ① variable
 - ② method
 - ③ class.

- final method inherited but can't override.