

Review of OOP in Java

What is an Object?

- An entity that encapsulates state and behavior
 - **State (data):** variables inside the object
 - **field:** A variable inside an object that is part of its state
 - Each object has its own copy of each field.
 - **Behavior (methods):** methods inside the object
 - **instance method:** Exists inside each object of a class and gives behavior to each object.

Objects & References

- “Reference semantics”
 - When one variable is assigned to another, the **object is not copied**; both variables **refer to the SAME object**
 - Modifying the value of one variable **will** affect others
 - Benefits: efficiency and sharing
- For example, pass around an array as a parameter

What Defines an Object?

- Class: A program entity that represents either
 - A program / module (e.g., a client program), or
 - A template/blueprint for a new type of objects

Implicit Parameter – this

- The object on which an instance method is being called
- Refers to the implicit parameter inside the class
 - Refer to a field: **this.field**;
 - Call a method: **this.method(parameters)**;
 - One constructor can call another: **this(parameters)**;

Types of Instance Methods

- **Accessor/Getter:** A method that allow clients to examine object state
- **Mutator/Setter:** A method that modifies an object's state
- **Helper:** Assists some other method in performing its task
 - often declared as private so outside clients cannot call it

Constructor

- Initializes the state of new objects
- No return type
- Triggered by the **new** keyword in the client program
- A class can have multiple constructors
 - Overloading constructors
 - Each one must accept a unique set of parameters

Inheritance

- Forming new classes based on existing ones.
 - A way to share/**reuse code** between two or more classes
- **Subclass extends Superclass**
 - **Superclass**: Base class being extended
 - **Subclass**: Derived class that inherits all fields and methods from superclass
 - **is-a relationship**: Each object of the subclass also "is a(n)" object of the superclass and can be treated as one (i.e., polymorphism).

Inherited Private Fields and Methods

- Inherited private fields/methods **cannot be directly accessed** by subclasses
 - Solution 1: Set accessor modifier to **protected** in the superclass
 - Solution 2: Implemented **getter methods** in the superclass

Keyword – super

- A subclass can call its superclass' method/constructor (and hence the superclass version of these methods)
 - Call a method: **super.method(parameters);**
 - Call a constructor: **super(parameters);**

Polymorphism

- A class can implement an **inherited** method in **its own way**
- Allows a variable of a **superclass** type to **refer to** an object of one of its **subclasses**, and determines **which overridden method to execute** depending on data types
 - `<SuperclassType> <objName> = new <SubclassName>();`

Overriding Methods

- To write a new version of a method in a subclass that replaces the superclass's version.
 - Method name, return type, parameters must match exactly
- `public String toString() { ... }`
- `public boolean equals(Object obj) { ... }`

Overriding toString()

- Returns the String representation of an object
- The default version in Object Class
 - <ClassName>@<MemoryAddress>
- Overridden version in subclasses
 - Depending on the program description

Overriding equals(Object obj)

- The default version in Object Class
 - Compares the referential equality, just like ==
- Overridden version in subclasses
 - Keyword **instanceof** → if the parameter is an instance of the target type
 - Object casting → if yes, treat it as the target type
 - Compare some or all fields depending on the program description

Q: Which point is FALSE from the following?

- ✓ A. A class is an object
- B. A class is a template or prototype that defines the composition and the behavior of all objects of certain kinds
- C. A class may have fields of composite types
- D. From a class you may initiate an object

Q: Select ALL of the constructors that would be valid for a class named Puppy:

- A. `public MyPuppy (String name) {...}`
- ☒ B. `public Puppy (String name, int age) {...}`
- C. `public void Puppy (String name) {...}`
- ☒ D. `public Puppy (String name) {...}`
- ☒ E. `public Puppy (String name, Color color) {...}`
- F. `public int Puppy (String name, int age) {...}`

Q: Why should we use encapsulation? (Select ALL that apply)

- ☒ A. Can later change the internal workings of the class without modifying client code
- ☐ B. Clients can directly access the fields
- ☒ C. Clients cannot directly access or modify its internal workings – nor do they need to do so
- ☒ D. Protects data from unwanted access
- ☒ E. Encapsulation leads to abstraction

```
public class Car {  
    public void m1() {  
        System.out.println("Car 1");  
    }  
  
    public void m2() {  
        System.out.println("Car 2");  
    }  
  
    public String toString() {  
        return "It's a Car";  
    }  
}  
  
public class Truck extends Car {  
    public void m1() {  
        System.out.println("Truck 1");  
    }  
}
```

Q: What's the output of the client code?

```
Car mycar = new Car();  
Truck mytruck = new Truck();  
  
System.out.println(mycar);    // It's a Car  
mycar.m1();    // Car 1  
mycar.m2();    // Car 2  
  
System.out.println(mytruck); // It's a Car  
mytruck.m1();    // Truck 1  
mytruck.m2();    // Car 2
```

Given the Movie Class →→→

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Assume the list will have no more than 5 Movies. DO NOT use magic numbers, create and use a class constant.

The VideoLibrary class should have the following private fields:

- `Movie[] movieList` – an array of Movies.
- **`int`** `numMovies` – number of Movies currently in the `movieList`.

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public class Movie {
    private String title;
    private int length; //in minutes

    public Movie(String title, int length) {
        this.title = title;
        this.length = length;
    }

    public int getLength() {
        return length;
    }
}

public class VideoLibrary {

    //TODO: Add code...

    public VideoLibrary() {
        //TODO: Add code...
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The VideoLibrary class should have the following **methods**:

- **public** VideoLibrary() - Constructs a new empty VideoLibrary. Initializes numMovies to 0.
- **public void** add(Movie movie) - Adds the given Movie to the VideoLibrary's movieList if the list has fewer than 5 items, otherwise it does nothing.
- **public int** getTotalLength() - returns the total length of all Movies currently in the VideoLibrary (using the Movie class accessor method).

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Sample Solution

```
public class Movie {  
    private String title;  
    private int length; //in minutes  
  
    public Movie(String title, int length) {  
        this.title = title;  
        this.length = length;  
    }  
  
    public int getLength() {  
        return length;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class VideoLibrary {  
  
    public static final int MAX_MOVIES = 5;  
    private Movie[] movieList;  
    private int numMovies;  
  
    public VideoLibrary() {  
        movieList = new Movie[MAX_MOVIES];  
        numMovies = 0;  
    }  
  
    public void add(Movie movie) {  
        if (numMovies < MAX_MOVIES) {  
            movieList[numMovies] = movie;  
            numMovies++;  
        }  
    }  
  
    public int getTotalLength() {  
        int length = 0;  
        for (int i = 0; i < numMovies; i++) {  
            length += movieList[i].getLength();  
        }  
        return length;  
    }  
}
```