

Féidearthachtaí as Cuimse
Infinite Possibilities

Scanner and Reference Object

Object Oriented programming



To date

- Classes
- Objects (`Person p = new Person("..etc");`
- Constructors
- Methods
- Method signatures
- Method overloading
- Encapsulation
- Strings

User-defined classes

- Defined our own classes:
- Use constructors
- Used methods that access and modifier member attributes

```
class Employee
{
    // Fields
    private String name;
    private double salary;
    private LocalDate hireDay;

    // Constructors
    public Employee(String n, double s, int year, int month, int day)
    {
        name = n;
        salary = s;
        hireDay = LocalDate.of(year, month, day);
    }

    // Methods
    public String getName() { return name; }
    . . .
}
```

```
public void raiseSalary(double byPercent)
{
    double raise = salary * byPercent / 100;
    salary += raise;
}
```

Member Variables Data Fields

Before you assign a value to them, They have default variables. This does not apply to local variables – you create in methods

```
public class Student {  
  
    String name; // name has default value null  
  
    int age; // age has default value 0  
  
    boolean isScienceMajor; // isScienceMajor has default value false  
  
    char gender; // c has default value '\u0000'  
  
}
```

Object Variables

Object variables hold a reference to an object.

To declare a reference variable, use the syntax

ClassName objectRefVar;

Book javaBook;

Create the object

ClassName objectRefVar = new ClassName();

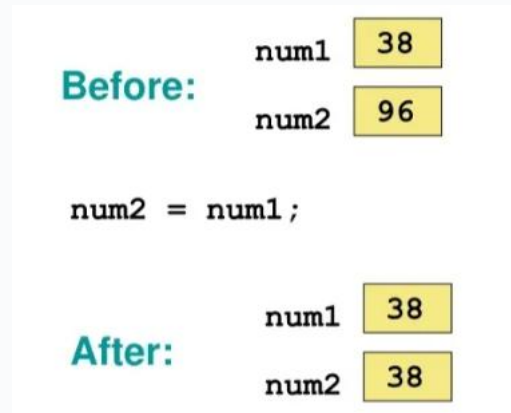
Book javaBoook = new JavaBook();

Object Variables

- Variables in java hold either a primitive value or reference to object
- NB – the variable holds a reference to the object – pointer to the location in memory

Assignment revisited

Primitive Primitive



Object reference – copy the address – not the actual object

```
Student s1 = new Student("Mary");
Student s2 = s1;      // assignment (copies reference)
s2.setName("John");
System.out.println(s1.getName());
```

Output: John
Because s1 and s2 refer to the **same object**.

```
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s1 | 0x1A2F --->|----->| Student object | name = "John"
+-----+ +-----+
s2 | 0x1A2F ---^
+-----+
```

String (exception)

Once a String object is created, its contents **cannot change**. String is an object, but it behaves like a primitive in some ways.

But because Strings are **immutable**, reassigning makes a **new object**.

Scanner Class – A predefined class

Scanner is part of the java.util package.

It allows a Java program to read input from different sources such as:

- Keyboard input (System.in)
- Files
- Strings

```
public final class Scanner  
extends Object  
implements Iterator<String>, Closeable
```

A simple text scanner which can parse primitive types and strings using regular expressions.

A Scanner breaks its input into tokens using a delimiter pattern, which by default matches whitespace. The resulting tokens may then be converted into values of different types using the various next methods.

For example, this code allows a user to read a number from the console.

```
var cn = System.console();
```

User Input

```
import java.util.Scanner; // Import the Scanner class

class MyClass {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner myObj = new Scanner(System.in); // Create a Scanner object
        System.out.println("Enter username");

        String userName = myObj.nextLine(); // Read user input
        System.out.println("Username is: " + userName); // Output user input
    }
}
```

Scanner Class Methods

Method	Description
nextBoolean()	Reads a boolean value from the user
nextByte()	Reads a byte value from the user
nextDouble()	Reads a double value from the user
nextFloat()	Reads a float value from the user
nextInt()	Reads a int value from the user
nextLine() next()	Reads a String value from the user
nextLong()	Reads a long value from the user
nextShort()	Reads a short value from the user

Demo (Code on Brightspace: lab1 solution)

```
1 package ie.tudublin.cmpu2016.lab1;
2 import java.util.Scanner;
3
4 public class TemperatureConverter {
5
6     public static void main(String[] args) {
7         Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
8         for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
9             System.out.print("Enter Celsius: ");
10            double c = sc.nextDouble();
11            double f = (c * 9.0 / 5.0) + 32.0;
12            System.out.println("Fahrenheit = " + f);
13        }
14        sc.close();
15    }
16 }
17
```

Lab Code (Code on Brightspace)

```
package Lab3;

//Final version for Parts 2 & 3 (encapsulation + validation + playTrailer)

public class Movie {
    // 1) Encapsulated attributes
    private String title;
    private String genre;
    private int durationMinutes;

    // 2) Constructor uses setters (no backdoor access)
    public Movie(String title, String genre, int durationMinutes) {
        setTitle(title);
        setGenre(genre);
        setDurationMinutes(durationMinutes); // validation happens here
    }

    // 3) Getters
    public String getTitle() {
        return title;
    }

    public String getGenre() {
        return genre;
    }

    public int getDurationMinutes() {
        return durationMinutes;
    }

    // 4) Setters (with validation for duration)
    public void setTitle(String title) {
        // simple gatekeeping
        if (title == null || title.trim().isEmpty()) {
            System.out.println("Invalid title. Keeping previous value.");
            return;
        }
        //only expect the below from students
        this.title = title.trim();
    }

    public void setGenre(String genre) {
        if (genre == null || genre.trim().isEmpty()) {
            System.out.println("Invalid genre. Keeping previous value.");
            return;
        }
        //again only expecting the below from students or just direct assignment
    }
}
```