Nested Inner Class

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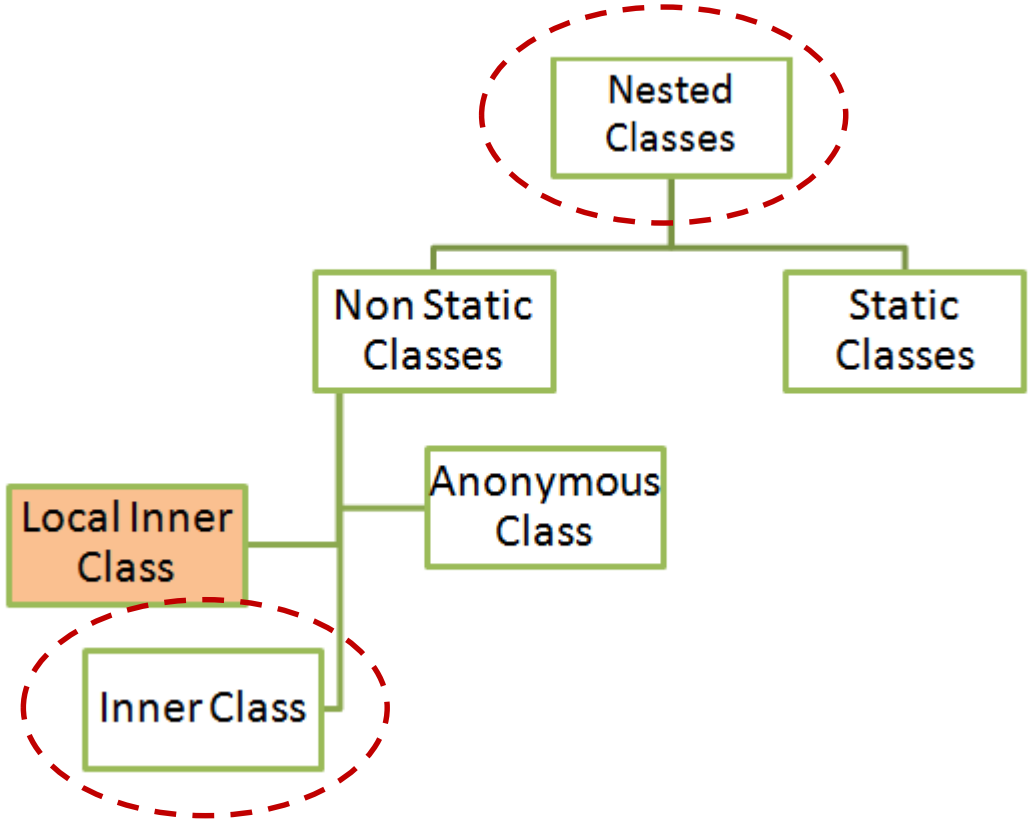
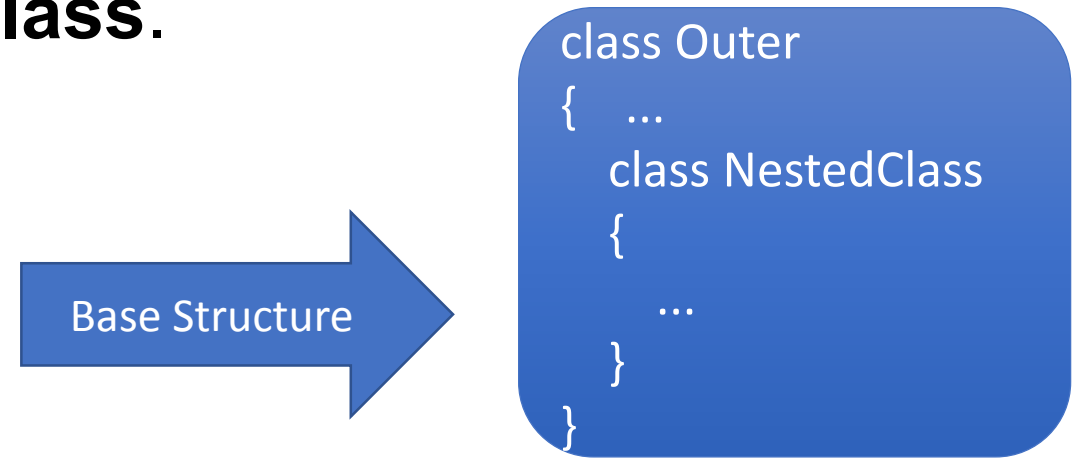
Learning Object



Nested Class

- Classes that are defined inside another class
  - Like nested if statement, if statement inside other if
- Purpose of a nested class
  - Clearly group the nested class with its surrounding class, signaling that these **two classes are to be used together**
  - the nested class is only to be used from **inside its enclosing (owning) class**.



Type of Nested Class

- Four type of nested class
  - Classes are inside of another class
  1. **Inner Class**
     - Increasing efficient to manage class
  2. Static Inner Class
  3. Local Inner Class (Next Lecture)
  4. Anonymous Inner Class (Next Lecture)

```
class Outer
{
   statement 1
   class Inner
   {
      statement 1-1
   }
}
```

Inner Class

- Outer Class
  - More than one inner class
  - Can not use Inner class member in Outer's method
    - Need declare and assign new object
- Inner Class
  - Can not use other outer's member
    - Need declare and assign new object
  - Can not use **static keyword inside block**

```
class Outer
{
   statement 1;
   class Inner 1
   {
      statement 1-1;
   }
  class Inner 2
   {
      statement 2-1;
   }
}
```

Generate Object (inner)

- Declare and initialize
  - Outer Class
    - Same as previous Class declare and initialize

      e.g.) Character character = new Character();

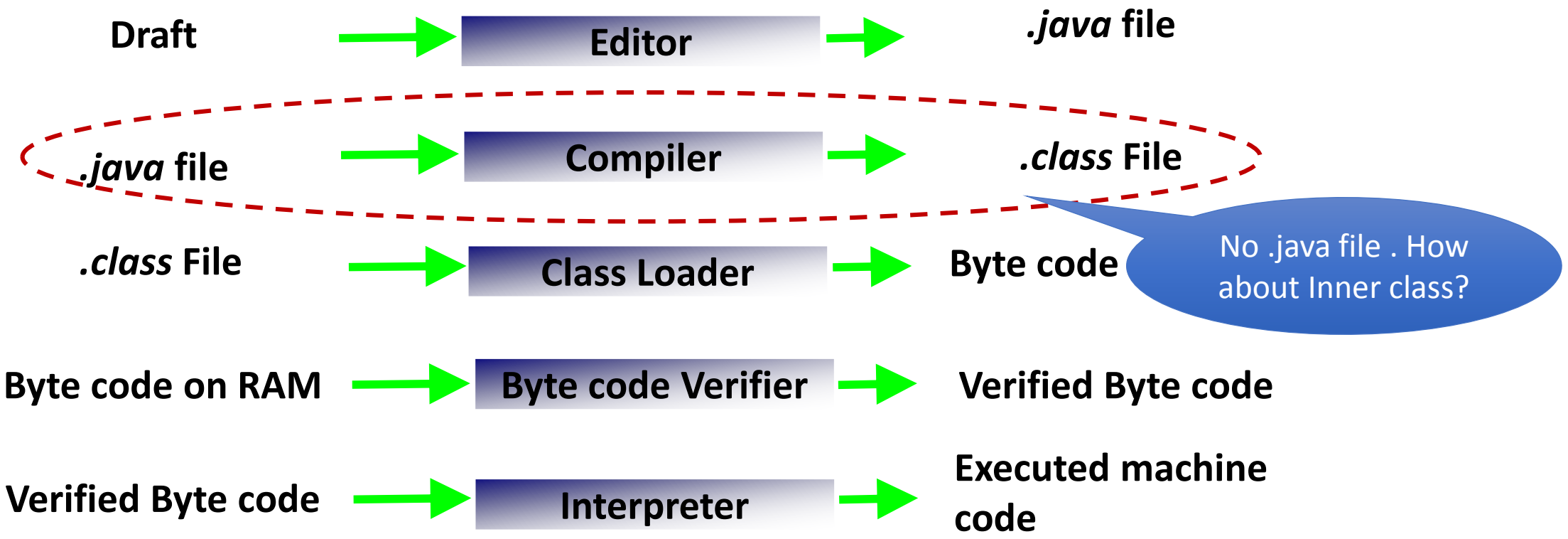
  - Inner Class
    - Use Outer Class Object.

      Syntax:

```
Outer outerName= new Outer();
Outer.Inner innerName = outerName.new Inner();
```

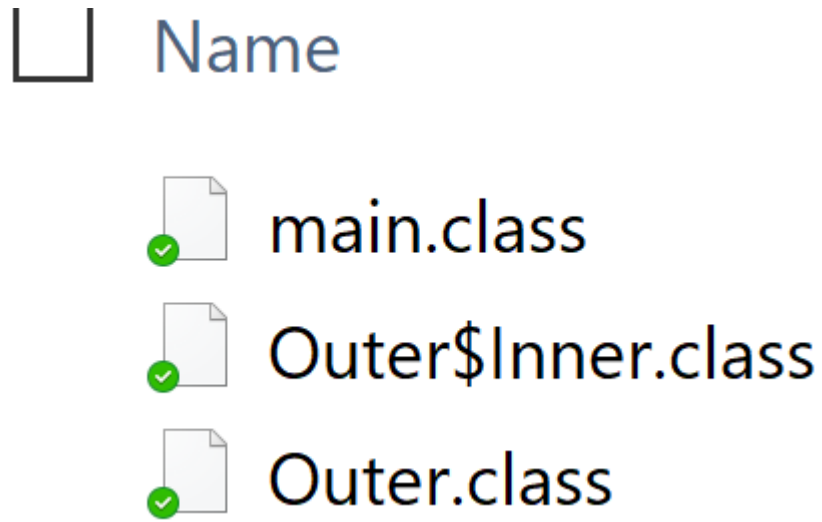
Java Environment

- Java programs normally go through five phases



Inner class in bin folder

- In project folder, inner class is generated by compiler
- “$” symbol is used to distinguish inner class.



Practice

1. Make a new project (Reference: Create Project and Class File)
   - ❑Project name: Inner
2. Create a new Class File
   - ❑Class name: Main
   - ❑Class name: Outer

3. Coding:

Practice – Code (Main)

```
public class Main {
	public static void main(String[] args) {
		Outer testOutet= new Outer();
		testOutet.display();

		Outer.Inner innerTest = testOutet.new Inner();
		System.out.println("y:" + innerTest.y);
	}
}
```

Practice – code (Outer)

```
public class Outer {
private int x = 100;
    public void display() {
        System.out.println("x : " + x);
         Inner innerTest = new Inner();
System.out.println("y : " + innerTest.y);
    }
class Inner {
        public int y = 200;
    }
}
```

Practice – Code and Result

Outer.java

```
1  public class Outer {
2  private int x = 100;
3      public void display() {
4          System.out.println("x : " + x);
5  //      System.out.println("y : " + y); // compile error.
6
7          Inner innerTest = new Inner();
8          // Outer.Inner innerTest = this.new Inner();
9          System.out.println("y : " + innerTest.y);
10     }
11
12     class Inner {
13         private int y = 200;
14     }
15 }
```

Problems Javadoc Declaration Console

```
<terminated> Main (5) [Java Application] C:\P
x : 100
y : 200
```

Result

Main.java

```
1  public class Main {
2      public static void main(String[] args) {
3          Outer testOutet= new Outer();
4          testOutet.display();
5
6          Outer.Inner innerTest = testOutet.new Inner();
7          System.out.println("y:" + innerTest.y);
8      }
9  }
```

Summary

- Inner Class
  - Syntax:

Outer outerName= new Outer();

Outer.Inner innerName = outerName.new Inner();

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    private int x = 100;
    public void display() {
        System.out.println("x : " + x);
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        Inner innerTest = new Inner();
        // Outer.Inner innerTest = this.new Inner();
        System.out.println("y : " + innerTest.y);
    }

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