

Defining Classes

Classes, Fields, Constructors, Properties, Methods



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1. Abstract Data Types
2. Defining Simple Classes
 - Fields
 - Properties
 - Methods
3. Constructors



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Abstract Data Type

Hide Details from the Client

Abstract Data Type

- Data type whose **representation** is **hidden** from the client

string ADT – indexed sequence of
chars:

string()

int Length()

char CharAt(int index)

bool IsEmpty()

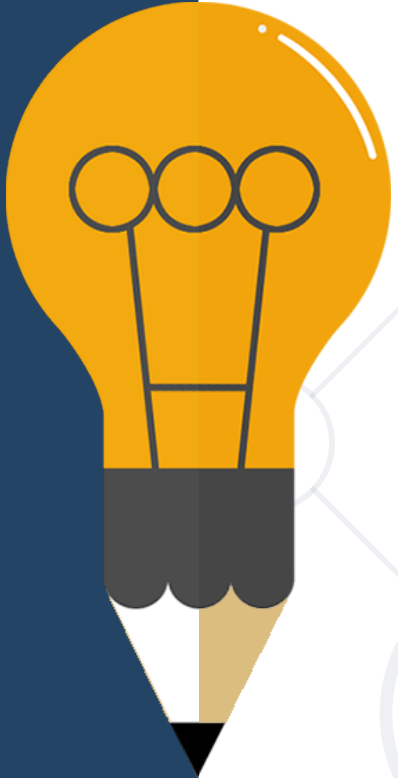
// many others...

ADTs are
defined by
their **usage**



Abstract Data Type (2)

- You **don't need** to know the **implementation** to use an ADT



Dog:

```
Dog()  
string Name()  
void Bark()  
void Sleep()
```



Computer:

```
Computer()  
void TurnOn()  
void TurnOff()  
string Spec()
```

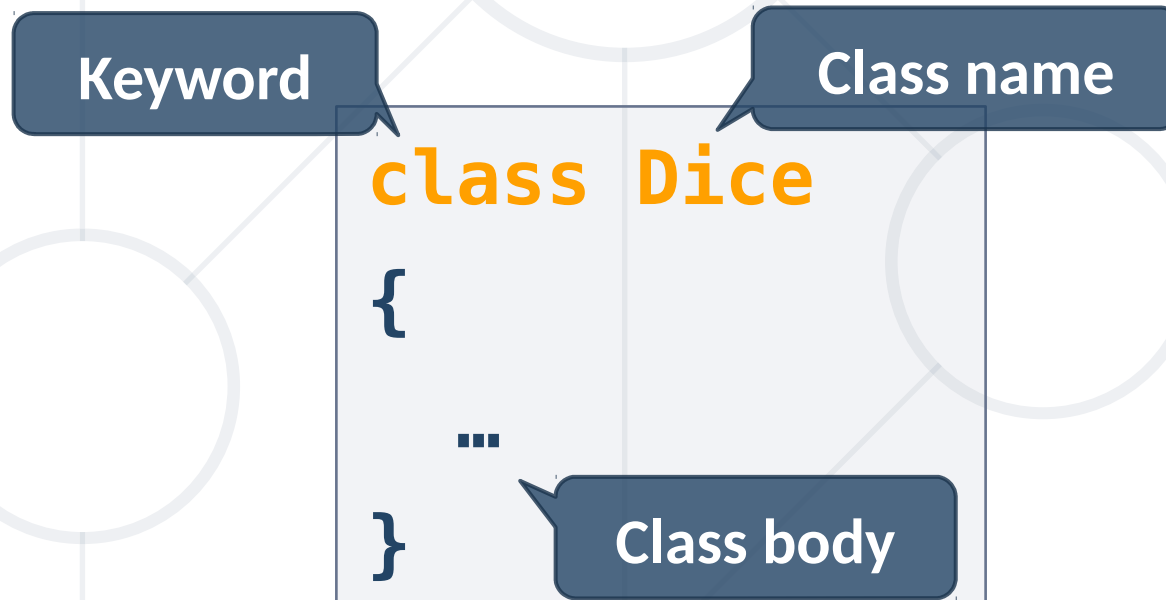


Defining Classes

Creating Class for an ADT

Defining Simple Classes

- Class is a **concrete implementation** of an ADT
- Classes provide **structure** for **describing** and **creating** objects



Naming Classes

- Name classes with nouns using **PascalCasing**
- Use **descriptive nouns**
- **Avoid abbreviations** (except widely known, e.g. URL, HTTP, etc.)

```
class Dice { ... }  
class BankAccount { ... }
```

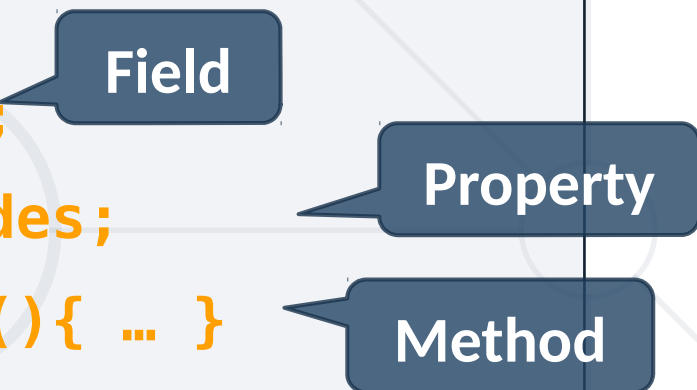


```
class TPMF { ... }  
class bankaccount { ... }  
class intcalc { ... }
```



- Members are **declared** in the class and they have certain accessibility, which can be specified
- They can be:
 - Fields
 - Properties
 - Methods, etc.

```
class Dice
{
    int sides;
    string Sides;
    void Roll(){ ... }
}
```



Creating an Object

- A class can have **many instances** (objects)

```
class Program
{
    public static void Main()
    {
        Dice diceD6 = new
        Dice();
        Dice diceD8 = new
        Dice();
    }
}
```

Use the **new** keyword

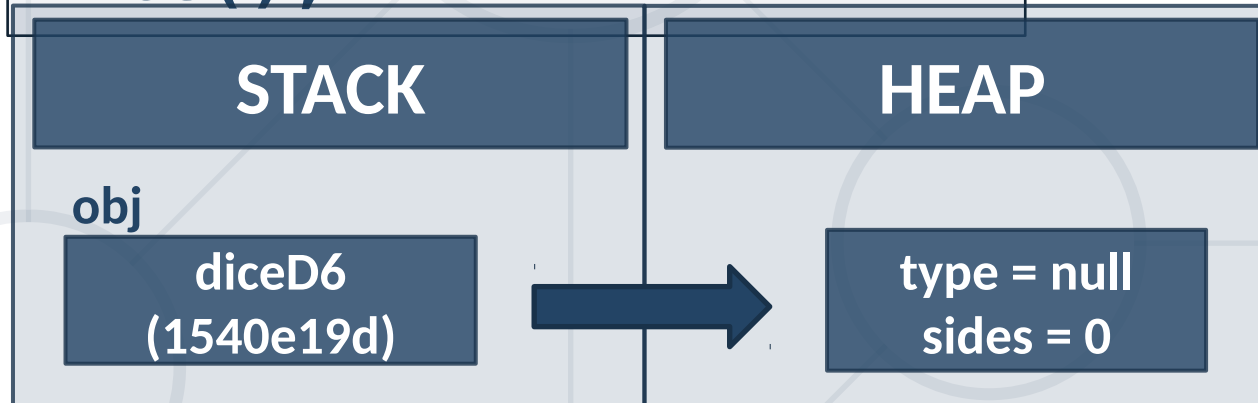
A variable stores
a **reference**



Object Reference

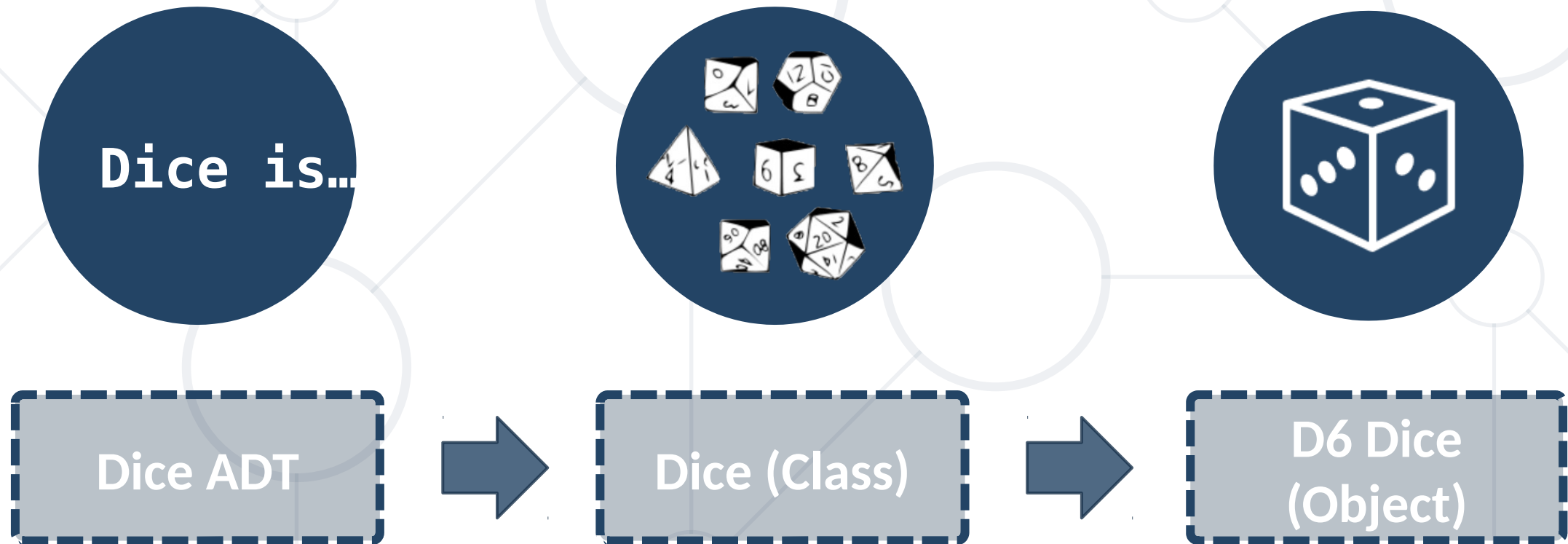
- Declaring a variable creates a **reference** in the stack
- The **new** keyword allocates memory on the heap

```
Dice diceD6 = new  
Dice();
```



Classes vs. Objects

- Classes provide **structure** for describing and creating objects
- An **object** is a **single instance of a class**



Classes vs. Objects

- Classes provide structure for creating objects
- An object is a single instance of a class

```
class  
  Dice  
  
  type:  
    string  
  sides: int  
  Roll(...)
```

Class **name**

Class **data**

Class **actions**

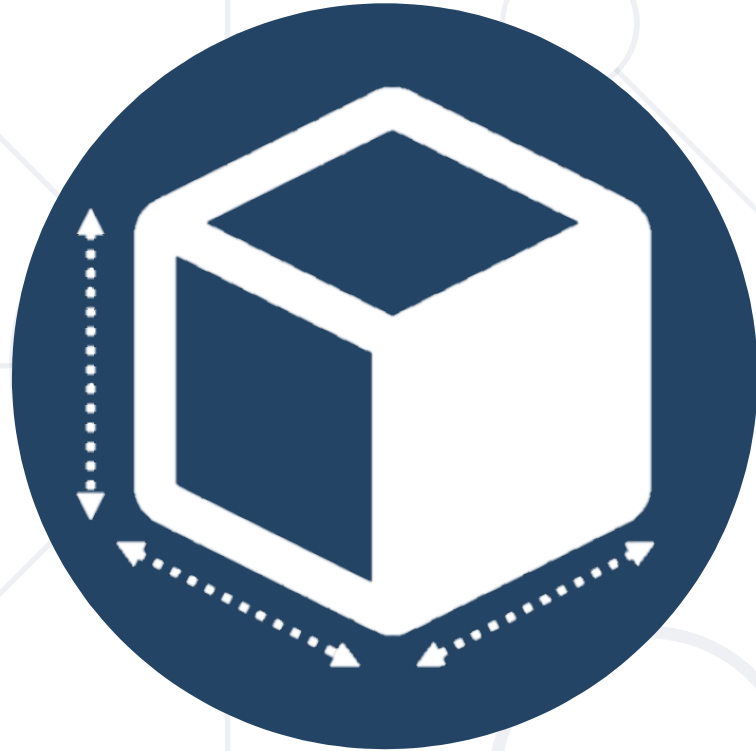
```
object  
  diceD6  
  
  type = "six  
  sided"  
  sides = 6
```

Object
name

Object
data



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Class Data

Storing Data Inside a Class

- Class fields have type and name
- Modifiers define accessibility

Class modifier

Fields should
always be private

Fields can be of
any type

```
public class Dice
{
    private string type;
    private int sides;
    private int[] rollFre-
quency;
    private Person owner;
    public void Roll () { ... }
}
```


- Used to create **accessors** and **mutators** (**getters** and **setters**)

```
public class Dice
{
    private int sides;
    public int Sides
    {
        public get { return
this.sides; }
        public set { this.sides = value;
}
    }
}
```

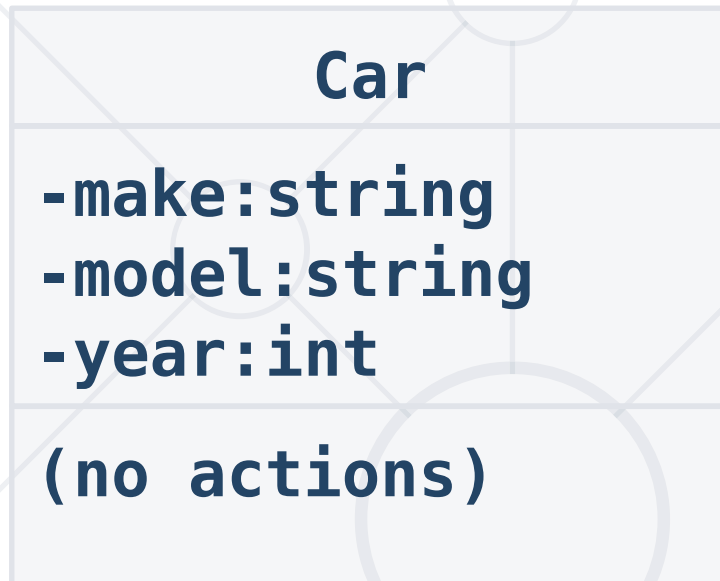
The field is hidden

The getter provides
access to the field

The setter provides
field change

Problem: Car

- Create a class **Car**



```
private string make;
private string model;
private int year
public string Make
{
    get { return this.make; }
    set { this.make = value; }
}
```

// TODO: Balance and Year Getter & Setter



Methods

Defining a Class Behaviour

- Store **executable code** (an algorithm)

```
public class Dice
{
    private int sides;
    private Random rnd = new Random();
    public int Roll() {
        int rollResult = rnd.Next(1, this.sides +
1);
        return rollResult;
    }
}
```

this points to the
current instance

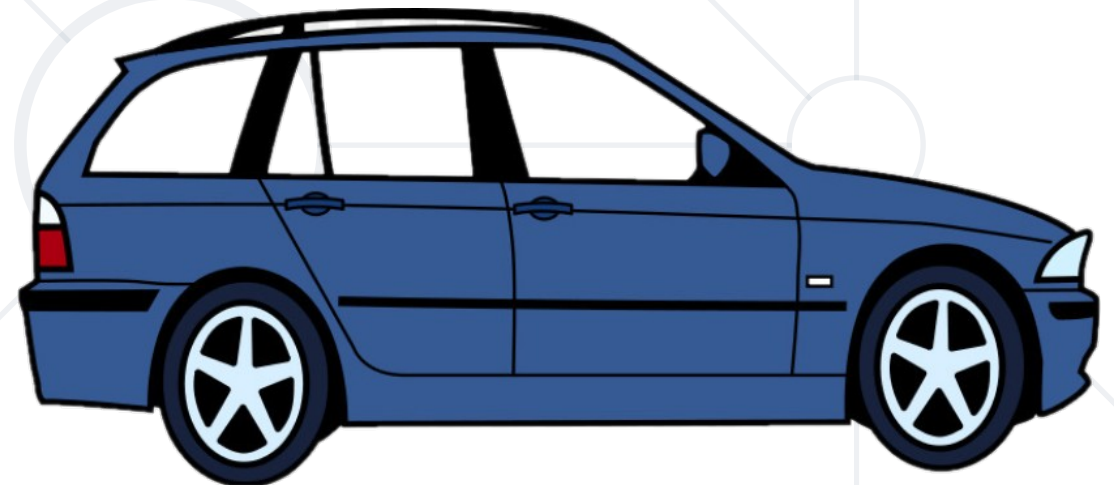
Problem: Car Extension

- Create a class **Car**

Car

-make:string
-model:string
-year:int
-fuelQuantity:double
-fuelConsumption:double

+Drive(double distance):void
+WhoAmI():string



Solution: Car Extension

```
// TODO: Get the other fields from previous problem
private double fuelQuantity;
private double fuelConsumption;
// TODO: Get the other properties from previous problem
public double FuelQuantity {
    get { return this.fuelQuantity; }
    set { this.fuelQuantity = value; }}
public double FuelConsumption {
    get { return this.fuelConsumption; }
    set { this.fuelConsumption = value; }}
```

Check your solution here: <https://judge.softuni.bg/Contests/1478/Defining-Classes-Lab>

Solution: Car Extension (2)

```
public void Drive(double distance)
{
    bool canContinue = this.FuelQuantity - (distance *
        this.FuelConsumption) >= 0;
    if(canContinue)
        this.FuelQuantity -= distance * this.FuelConsumption;
    else
        Console.WriteLine("Not enough fuel to perform this
trip!");
}
```

Solution: Car Extension (3)

```
public string WhoAmI()  
{  
    StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();  
    sb.AppendLine($"Make: {this.Make}");  
    sb.AppendLine($"Model: {this.Model}");  
    sb.AppendLine($"Year: {this.Year}");  
    sb.Append($"Fuel:  
{this.FuelQuantity:F2}L");  
    return sb.ToString();  
}
```

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Constructors

Object Initialization

Constructors

- When a constructor is invoked, it creates an instance of its class and usually initializes its members
- Classes in C# are instantiated with the **keyword new**



```
public class Dice
{
    public Dice() {
    }
}
```

```
public class StartUp
{
    static void Main()
    {
        var dice = new
Dice()
    }
}
```

- Constructors **set object's initial state**

```
public class Dice
{
    int sides;
    int[] rollFrequency;
    public Dice(int sides) {
        this.sides = sides;
        this.rollFrequency = new
int[sides];
    }
}
```

Always ensure
correct state

- You can have multiple constructors in the same class

```
public class Dice
{
    private int sides;
    public Dice() { }
    public Dice(int sides)
    {
        this.sides = sides;
    }
}
```

Constructor **without**
parameters

Constructor **with**
parameters

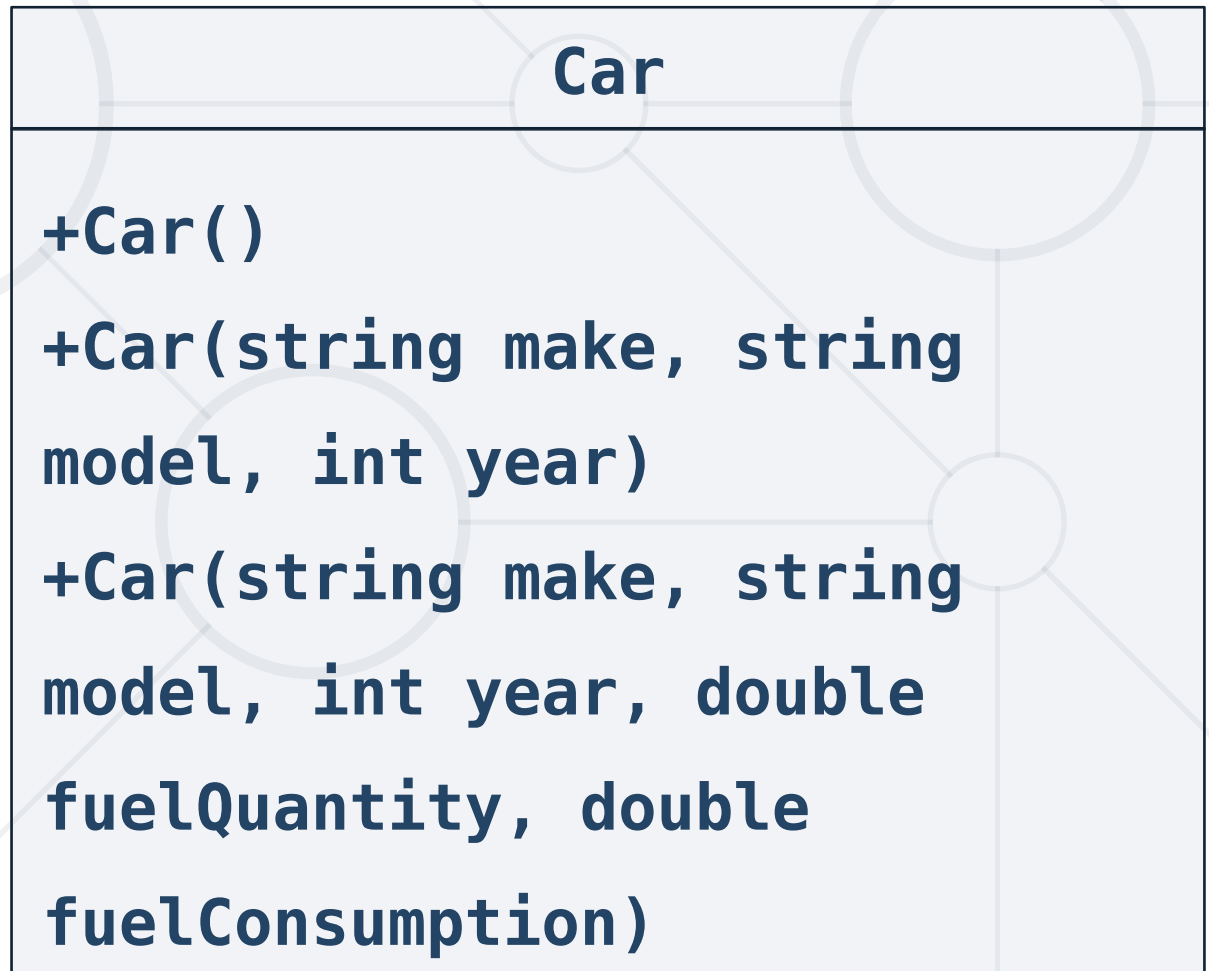
- Constructors can call each other

```
public class Person {  
    private string name;  
    private int age;  
    public Person() {  
        this.age = 18;  
    }  
    public Person(string name) :  
    this()  
    {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
}
```

Calls default
constructor

Problem: Car Constructors

- Extend the previous problem and **create 3 constructors**
- Default values are:
 - Make – VW
 - Model – Golf
 - Year – 2025
 - FuelQuantity = 200
 - FuelConsumption = 10



Solution: Car Constructors

```
public Car() {  
    this.Make = "VW";  
    this.Model = "Golf";  
    this.Year = 2025;  
    this.FuelQuantity = 200;  
    this.FuelConsumption = 10;}  
public Car(string make, string model, int year) : this()  
{  
    this.Make = make;  
    this.Model = model;  
    this.Year = year;}  
}
```

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Problem: Car Constructors(2)

```
public Car(string make, string model, int
year,
double fuelQuantity, double fuelConsumption)
    : this(make, model, year)
{
    this.FuelQuantity = fuelQuantity;
    this.FuelConsumption = fuelConsumption;
}
```


Problem: Car Engine And Tires

- Create the two classes and extend the Car class

Engine	Tire
-horsePower:int -cubicCapacity:double	-year:int -pressure:double
+Engine(int horsePower, double cubicCapacity)	+Engine(int year, double pressure)
Car	
+Car(string make, string model, int year, double fuelQuantity, double fuelConsumption, Engine engine, Tire[] tires)	

Solution: Car Engine And Tires

```
private int horsepower;  
private double cubicCapacity;  
public Engine(int horsepower, double cubicCapacity)  
{  
    this.HorsePower = horsepower;  
    this.CubicCapacity = cubicCapacity;  
public int HorsePower {  
    get { return this.horsePower; }  
    set { this.horsePower = value; } }  
public double CubicCapacity{  
    get { return this.cubicCapacity; }  
    set { this.cubicCapacity = value; } }
```

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Solution: Car Engine And Tires(2)

```
private int year;  
private double pressure;  
public Tire(int year, double pressure){  
    this.Year = year;  
    this.Pressure = pressure;}  
public int Year{  
    get { return this.year; }  
    set { this.year = value; }}  
public double Pressure{  
    get { return this.pressure; }  
    set { this.pressure = value; }}
```

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Solution: Car Engine And Tires(3)

```
public Car(string make, string model, int year,
double fuelQuantity, double fuelConsumption, Engine en-
gine,
Tire[] tires)
: this(make, model, year, fuelQuantity, fuelCon-
sumption)
{
    this.Engine = engine;
    this.Tires = tires;
}
```

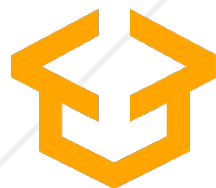
- Classes define **structure** for objects
- Objects are **instances of a class**
- Classes define **fields, methods, constructors** and other members
- Constructors:
 - **Invoked** when creating **new instances**
 - **Initialize** the **object's state**



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