

MOD -02 -> OOPs



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Static is a keyword in java used to represent the **class members**.

**It can be used with :**

1. variable
2. Method
3. initializer block
4. nested class.



## Types of class members

1. Static data members.
2. Static method.
3. Static initializer block.
4. Static nested class

# Memory division in a java program execution

In a java program **execution memory** is divided into three parts:

- **Stack**: Stack is used to local variables of the methods.
- **Heap**: Heap is used to store objects.
- **Class Area**: Class area is used to store static data members.

# static variable

Static data members are used to represent those properties **which are common to every object.**

- Data members declared with static keyword are known as static data members.
- These are mainly used to represent those properties which are common to every object.
- **At the time of class loading a single copy is created for static data members, which is shared by all objects.**

```
package oops;
```

```
class MCAStudent{
```

```
    //name and rollNo are not common for all students
```

```
    //so keep them as non-static data members.
```

```
    String name;
```

```
    int rollNo;
```

```
    //As course offered is same for all students
```

```
    //so keep it as static.
```

```
    String courseName = "MCA";
```

```
    //constructor
```

```
    MCAStudent(String n, int r){
```

```
        name = n;
```

```
        rollNo = r;
```

```
}
```

```
//display all values
public void display(){
    System.out.println("Name = " + name);
    System.out.println("RollNo. = " + rollNo);
    System.out.println("Course Name = " + courseName);
    System.out.println("");
}

}

public class StaticCommonObjects {
    public static void main(String args[]){
        //create object of MCAStudent class.
        MCAStudent stu1 = new MCAStudent("bindu", 6);
        MCAStudent stu2 = new MCAStudent("gireesh", 15);

        //method call
        stu1.display();
        stu2.display();
    }
}
```



## Output - console

```
Name = bindu  
RollNo. = 6  
Course Name = MCA
```

```
Name = gireesh  
RollNo. = 15  
Course Name = MCA
```

```
package oops;  
  
class MCAStudent{  
    //name and rollNo are not common for all students  
    //so keep them as non-static data members.  
    String name;  
    int rollNo;  
    //As course offered is same for all students  
    //so keep it as static.  
    String courseName = "MCA";  
  
    //constructor  
    MCAStudent(String n, int r){  
        name = n;  
        rollNo = r;  
    }  
}
```



```
static String courseName = "MCA";
```



Static data members use the same memory locations for all objects.

## NOTE

Constructor is **not used to initialize the static data members** because constructor initializes many times but static data members only once. So instead of constructor **static initialize block** is used to initialize static data members.

```
package oops;

class Test{
    static int num = 0;

    //constructor
    Test(){
        num = num + 10;
    }
    public void printValue(){
        System.out.println("Number = " + num);
    }
}
```

```
public class StaticSameMemory {
    public static void main(String args[]){
        Test obj1 = new Test();
        obj1.printValue();
        Test obj2 = new Test();
        obj2.printValue();
        Test obj3 = new Test();
        obj3.printValue();
        Test obj4 = new Test();
        obj4.printValue();
    }
}
```

## Output - console

```
Number = 10
Number = 20
Number = 30
Number = 40
```

## Rearrange the code

```
public class StaticSameMemory {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        Test obj1 = new Test();  
  
        Test obj2 = new Test();  
  
        Test obj3 = new Test();  
  
        Test obj4 = new Test();  
        obj1.printValue();  
        obj2.printValue();  
        obj3.printValue();  
        obj4.printValue();  
    }  
}
```

## Output - console

```
Number = 40  
Number = 40  
Number = 40  
Number = 40
```

# static methods

Static methods represent the **behavior of whole class**.

An instance of a class is not required to execute static methods. They can be called using class name.

**Syntax:**

```
ClassName.methodName
```

```
package staticpack;
```

```
class Test{  
    public static void display() {  
        System.out.println("inside display method");  
    }  
}
```

```
public class StaticMethod {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Test.display();  
    }  
  
}
```

# static block

We can execute a program without main method.

Calling of static block -> Nothing to do , as it is called automatically as class is loaded in memory

```
package oops;

public class StaticWithoutMain {
    static{
        System.out.println("Hello ...");
        System.exit(0);
    }
}
```

**Note:** This approach doesn't work in Java 7 and later because the Java Virtual Machine (JVM) strictly requires the main() method.

1. Non –Static block Gets called **every time an instance of the class is constructed**.
2. The static block **only gets called once**, when the class itself is initialized, no matter how many objects of that type you create.

```
package oopsprg;

public class StaticBlockTest {
    static{
        System.out.println("Static");
    }

    {
        System.out.println("Non-static block");
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        StaticBlockTest t1 = new StaticBlockTest();
        StaticBlockTest t2 = new StaticBlockTest();
    }
}
```

```
<terminated> StaticBlockTest
Static
Non-static block
Non-static block
```



## Limitations of static methods and static initialize blocks.

1. Non-static data members can't be accessed in static methods and static initialize blocks
2. Non-static methods can't be invoked in static methods and static initialize blocks.
3. *This* or *super* keyword can't be refers in static methods and static initialize blocks.

## Non-static data members can't be accessed in static methods and static initialize blocks

```
package oops;
class TestDemo {
    //non-static data member
    int num = 10;

    static{
        //error because non-static data members can't be
        //accessed in static initializer block.
        System.out.println("Num = " + num);
    }

    public static void display(){
        System.out.println("Hello ....");
        //error because non-static data members can't be
        //accessed in static method.
        System.out.println("Num = " + num);
    }
}
```

Non-static methods can't be invoked in static methods and static initialize blocks.

```
1 package oops;
2 class Tests {
3     //non static method
4     public void show(){
5         System.out.println("Hello world.");
6     }
7
8     static{
9         //error because non-static methods can't be
10        //accessed in static initializer block.
11        show();
12    }
13    public static void display(){
14        System.out.println("Hello ...");
15        //error because non-static methods can't be
16        //accessed in static method.
17        show();
18    }
19
20 }
```

Thank you 😊 Happy coding 😊