Better Constructors



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Module Overview



Static Factory Methods

Constructor Chaining

Builder Pattern



new GregorianCalendar(new TimeZone(), new Locale())



"Consider static factory methods instead of constructors"

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Static Factory Methods in Java

```
Calendar.getInstance();
String.valueOf(true);
LocalDate.of(2019, 01, 01);
Optional.empty();
Collections.unmodifiableCollection(...);
```



Static factory methods encapsulate the construction logic



DRY Don't Repeat Yourself





Constructor chaining helps adhere to the DRY principle



Telescoping Constructor Anti-pattern

```
Pizza(int size) { ... }
Pizza(int size, boolean cheese) { ... }
Pizza(int size, boolean cheese, boolean ham) { ... }
Pizza(int size, boolean cheese, boolean ham, boolean mushroom) { ... }
```



Using the Builder Pattern



Summary



Static Factory Methods



Constructor chaining



Builder and Fluent Interface

