CMPINF0401 Recitation

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Overview

- Object Oriented Programming (OOP)
- ▶ Lab 9

OOP: What's an object?

- ► Technically speaking, an object is a bundle of state and behavior:
 - State: The data contained in the object (the object's fields)
 - Behavior: The actions supported by the object (its methods)

OOP: What's a Class?

- Every object has a class
 - ► A class defines the object's methods and fields
- A class defines both type and implementation
 - ► Type → Where the object can be used (What datatypes is the constructor going to accept?)
 - ▶ Implementation → How the object does things (its methods)

OOP: Class vs. Objects Example

- Example of a class:
 - ▶ Fruit
 - Car
- Example of corresponding objects:
 - ► Apple, Banana, Mango
 - ▶ Volvo, Audi, Toyota
- So, a class is a template for objects, and an object is an instance of a class

OOP: Class vs. Objects Example

- When we create individual objects, they inherit all the variables and methods from the class
 - ▶ We've seen this with Strings:
 - String name = "Michael"
 - ▶ name is a String Object where String is a class
 - name = name.toUpperCase();
 - ▶ Now, name == "MICHAEL"
 - name was able to use the predefined method for the String object

OOP: Interfaces vs Classes

- Interfaces can be used to define the methods that the class must contain
 - ▶ For example, an interface might define a Car like this:
 - interface Car { public String getColor();}
 - ▶ The class for a type of Car could look like this:

```
class Volkswagen implements Car
{
    String color = "blue"; // Normally done with an init method public String getColor()
    {
        return(this.color);
    }
}
```

How do we make objects?

We saw the previous String example, but how do we define our own and use them?

```
public class Object {
   int x = 5;
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       Object myObj1 = new Object(); // Object 1
       Object myObj2 = new Object(); // Object 2
       System.out.println(myObj1.x); // Prints 5
       System.out.println(myObj2.x); // Prints 5
       myObj2.x = 7; // We can change values
       System.out.println(myObj2.x); // Prints 7
   }
}
```

Classes can have methods

- As shown before, we know that Classes can have methods. There are two types, static and public.
- Static can be accessed without creating an object of the class, public needs an instance of the class to be created.

```
public class Object {
    // Static method
    static void myStaticMethod() {
        System.out.println("Static methods can be called without creating objects");
    }

    // Public method
    public void myPublicMethod() {
        System.out.println("Public methods must be called by creating objects");
    }

    // Main method
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        myStaticMethod(); // Call the static method
        // myPublicMethod(); This would compile an error

        Object myObj = new Object(); // Create an object of Main
        myObj.myPublicMethod(); // Call the public method on the object
    }
}
```

Constructors

- ▶ A constructor is a special method that is used to initialize objects.
- ▶ The constructor is called when an object of a class is created.
- ▶ It can be used to set initial values for object attributes

Constructors Example

```
public class Car {
    int modelYear;
   String modelName;
    int odometer;
    public Car(int modelYear, String modelName) { // Constructor has the same name as the class name
      this.modelYear = modelYear; // conventionally, name the variables the same and then use "this" to specify the variable you're setting.
     this.modelName = modelName;
      this.odometer = 0;
    public Car(int modelYear, String modelName, int odometer) { // You can have multiple constructors, depending on the amount of args passed in different ones will run
       this.modelYear = modelYear;
       this.modelName = modelName;
       this.odometer = odometer;
    public static void main(String[] args) {
     Car myCar = new Car(1969, "Mustang");
     System.out.println(myCar.modelYear + " " + myCar.modelName + " with " myCar.odometer " miles.");
  // Outputs 1969 Mustang with 0 miles
```

Encapsulation

- Encapsulation: make sure that "sensitive" data is hidden from users. To do this:
 - Declare class variables/attributes as private
 - Provide public get and set methods to access and update the value of a private variable.

```
public class Person {
    private String name; // private = restricted access
    // Getter
    public String getName() {
      return name;
    // Setter
    public void setName(String newName) {
      this.name = newName;
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Person myObj = new Person();
    myObj.setName("Michael"); // Set the value of the name variable to "Michael"
    System.out.println(my0bj.getName());
   Outputs "Michael"
```

Why Encapsulation?

- Better control of class attributes and methods
- ► Class attributes can be read-only (if they can only be accessed through a get method), or write-only (if they can only be accessed through a set method).
- ► Flexible: The programmer can change one part of the code without affecting others
- Increased Security: hide data that shouldn't be available to all users, test to see if the value being set is valid (i.e., a Person's weight shouldn't be 0)

Lab 9

- ▶ Due 4/4
 - https://canvas.pitt.edu/courses/127916/files/8050409?module_item_id=2 735328

Lab 9

- Vehicle class:
 - ▶ Add a private attribute for the 'make' of the car.
 - Should use encapsulation which means that you need getter (return make) and setter (store make as an uppercase String) methods for it
- ▶ Fleet class:
 - ▶ Get rid of the hardcoded values for car1 and car2.
 - Make car1 by using the BASE CONSTRUCTOR (no args)
 - ▶ Use a Scanner to prompt the user for one variable at a time and use car1's setters to set the variables
 - Make car2 by using the OVERLOAD CONSTRUCTOR (provide args)
 - ▶ Get values from the user with a Scanner (store as variables in your main), and then pass those variables into the constructor
- Call .stats for both cars and screenshot it as part of your submission