Object Oriented Programming (JAVA)



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| **Week 4** | |
| **Topic** | **Introduction to OOP: Classes and Objects, Constructors and Methods, Getters and Setters, Access Specifiers** |
| **Objective** | * Define a single class in Java with appropriate attributes and methods. * Create and manipulate instances (objects) of the class. * Use constructors, including constructor overloading, to initialize objects with default and specific values. * Implementing the concept of Encapsulation and using getters and setters * Understanding the access modifiers in Java * Implementing constructor overloading and method overloading * Creating UML class diagram |

**Understanding Classes and objects in Java:**

* Java is an object-oriented programming language.
* Everything in Java is associated with classes and objects, along with its attributes and methods. For example: in real life, a car is an object. The car has attributes, such as weight and color, and methods, such as drive and brake.
* A Class is like an object constructor, or a "blueprint" for creating objects.

**Creating a Class and creating an Object:**

To create a class, use the keyword Class:

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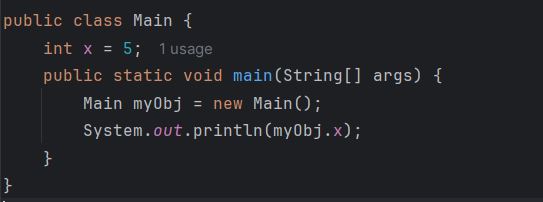
public class Main {

int x = 5;

}

In Java, an object is created from a class. We have already created the class named Main, so now we can use this to create objects. To create an object of Main, specify the class name, followed by the object name, and use the keyword new:

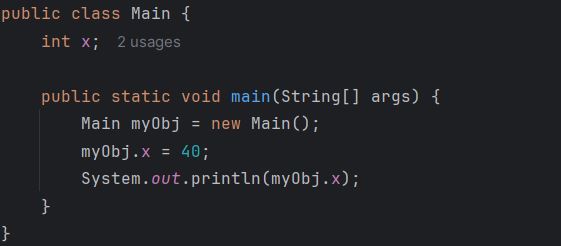
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**Java Class Attributes**

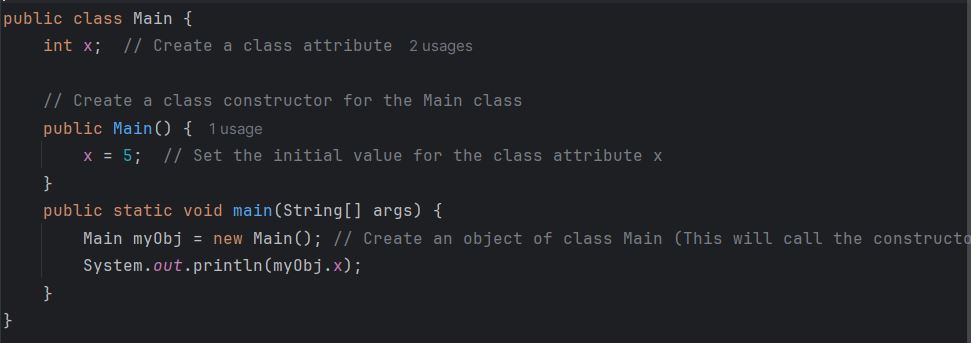
* The term "variable" for x used in the class, it is actually an attribute of the class. Or we can say that class attributes are variables within a class. Another term for class attributes is **fields**.
* We can access attributes by creating an object of the class, and by using the dot syntax (.).
* We can also modify the attribute values.

For Eg:



**Java Constructors:**

A constructor in Java 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:



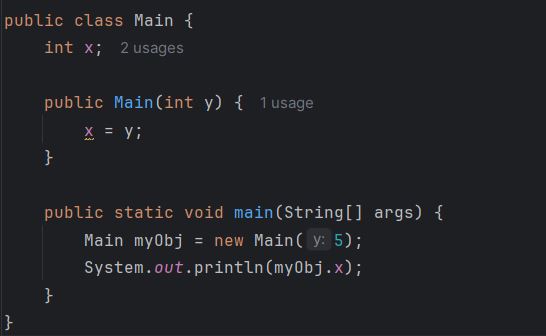
Note that the constructor’s name must **match the class name**, and it cannot have a **return type** (like void).

Also note that the constructor is called when the object is created.

All classes have constructors by default: if you do not create a class constructor yourself, Java creates one for you. However, then you are not able to set initial values for object attributes.

**Constructor Parameters:**

* Constructors can also take parameters, which is used to initialize attributes.
* The following example adds an int y parameter to the constructor. Inside the constructor we set x to y (x=y).
* When we call the constructor, we pass a parameter to the constructor (5), which will set the value of x to 5:



**This keyword:**

In Java, the **“this”** keyword is used in several situations to refer to the current object instance. It helps in distinguishing between instance variables and parameters, invoking constructors, and passing the current object as an argument.

**For e.g: this.length =>** 'this.length' refers to the instance variablewhile 'length' refers to the parameter.

**Encapsulation**

The meaning of Encapsulation, is to make sure that "sensitive" data is hidden from users. To achieve this, you must:

declare class variables/attributes as private

provide public get and set methods to access and update the value of a private variable

**Getter and Setter**

The private variables can only be accessed within the same class (an outside class has no access to it). However, it is possible to access them if we provide public **get** and **set** methods.

The get method returns the variable value, and the set method sets the value.

Syntax for both is that they start with either get or set, followed by the name of the variable, with the first letter in upper case:

public class Person {

private String name; // private = restricted access

// Getter

public String getName() {

return name;

}

// Setter

public void setName(String newName) {

this.name = newName;

}

}

**Understanding the Modifiers in Java:**

The public keyword is an **access modifier**, meaning that it is used to set the access level for classes, attributes, methods and constructors.

We divide modifiers into two groups:

* **Access Modifiers** - controls the access level
* **Non-Access Modifiers** - do not control access level, but provides other functionality

**Types of access specifier:**

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| Public | Specifies that the member can be accessed from any other class anywhere, whether within or in a different package. |
| Private | When a member (be it a field, method, or constructor) is declared private, it can only be accessed within the same class. |
| Protected | Members declared as protected can be accessed within the same package or in subclasses in different packages. |
| Default | When no access modifier is specified, Java uses a default access level, often called package-private. This means the member is accessible only within classes in the same package. |

myMethod() prints a text (the action), when it is **called**. To call a method, write the method's name followed by two parentheses **()** and a semicolon**;**

public class Main {

static void myMethod() {

System.out.println("Hello World!");

}

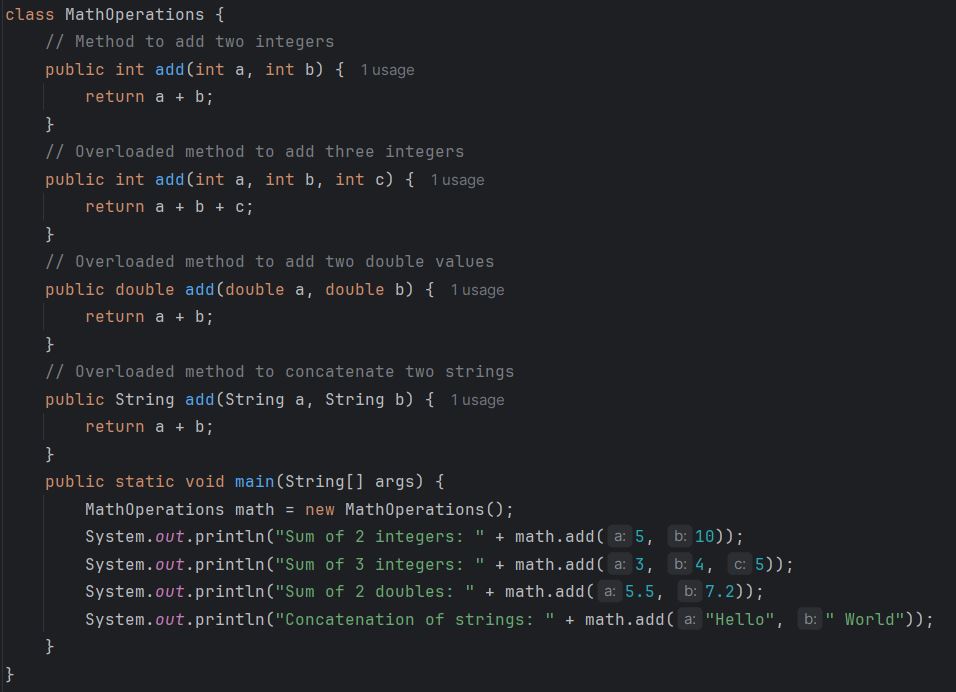
public static void main(String[] args) {

myMethod();

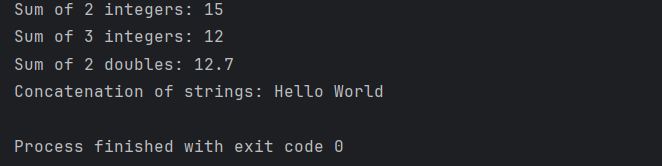
}

}

**Method Overloading:** Method overloading in Java allows a class to have more than one method with the same name, but different parameter lists (type, number, or both). Java determines which method to call based on the method signature, which includes the method name and the parameter list.

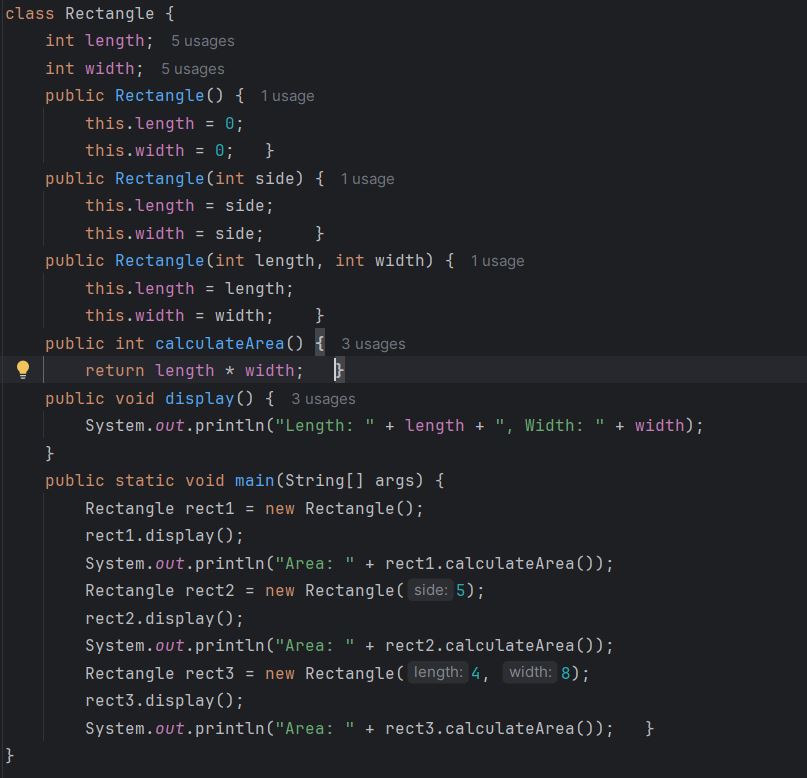
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**Output:**

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**Constructor Overloading:**

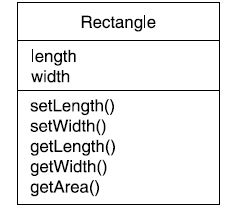
Constructor [overloading in Java](https://www.javatpoint.com/method-overloading-in-java) is a technique of having more than one constructor with different parameter lists. They are arranged in a way that each constructor performs a different task. They are differentiated by the compiler by the number of parameters in the list and their types.



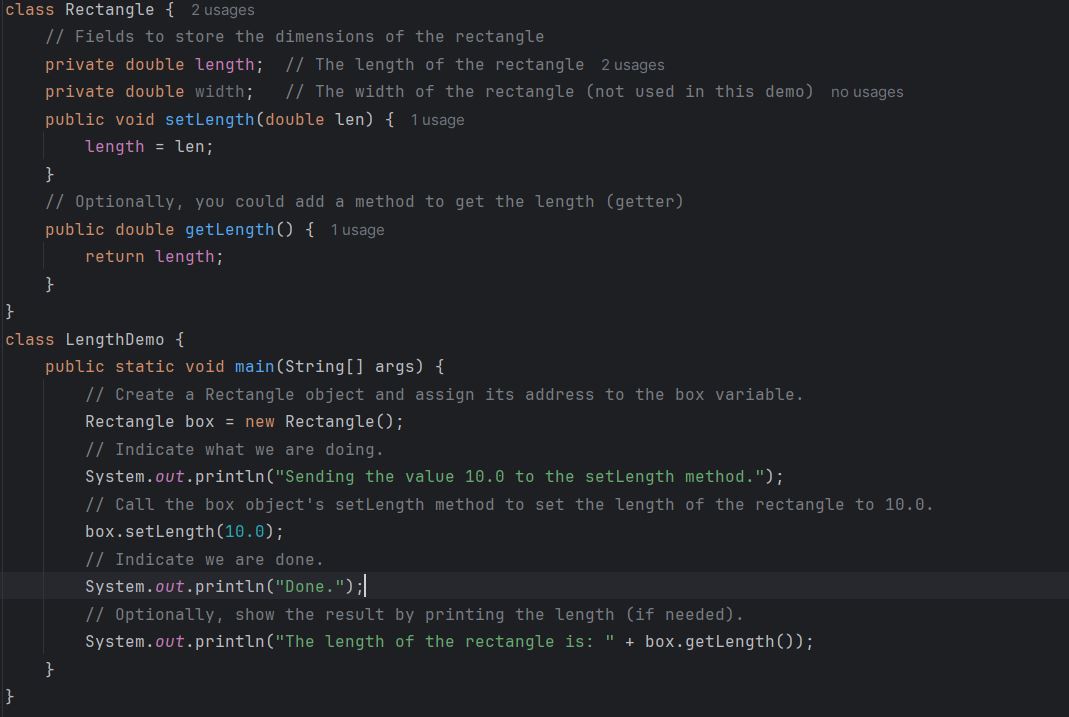
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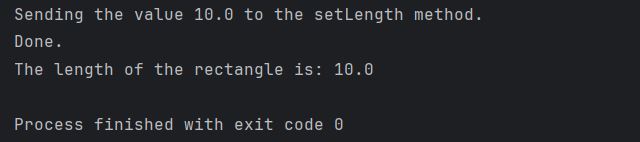
**Understanding UML diagram:**



**The code for the above diagram is shown below:**



**Output:**



**Basic Tasks:**

Create an employee class and perform the following tasks

* Create attributes called name, id, and salary.
* Implement multiple constructors to initialize the object.
* Overload methods to calculate the employee's yearly salary with or without bonuses.
* Initialize an array of string representing skills.

**Sample Output:**



**Scenario Based Tasks**

**Task 1: Define the SmartFan Class**

Objective:

Create a class that represents a smart fan device.

Instructions:

In a single Java file named SmartHomeSystem.java, define a class named SmartFan with the following attributes:

• String fanName (e.g., "Bedroom Fan")

• boolean isOn (initially false)

• int speed (initially 0, range 0–5)

Methods to implement:

• void turnOn(): Turns the fan on and sets isOn to true.

• void turnOff(): Turns the fan off and sets isOn to false.

• void setSpeed(int level): Sets the fan speed (0–5). Clamp invalid values to within range.

• void displayStatus(): Displays the current status of the fan (on/off and speed).

Expected Output:

The methods should correctly update the fan’s status and speed, and displayStatus() should reflect these changes.

**Task 2: Create and Use Instances of SmartFan**

Objective:

Practice creating class instances and using methods.

Instructions:

In the main() method of SmartHomeSystem:

• Create an instance named bedroomFan.

• Turn it on using turnOn().

• Set its speed to 3 using setSpeed().

• Display the fan’s status.

• Turn it off using turnOff() and display the status again.

Expected Output:

Bedroom Fan is now ON.

Speed set to 3

Bedroom Fan is ON with speed level 3

Bedroom Fan is now OFF.

Bedroom Fan is OFF with speed level 3

**Task 3: Implement Constructors and Constructor Overloading**

Objective:

Use constructor overloading to initialize objects differently.

Instructions:

In the SmartFan class, define three constructors:

Default constructor:

fanName = "Default Fan"

isOn = false

speed = 0

Parameterized constructor:

Initializes only fanName and sets defaults for others.

Overloaded constructor:

Initializes all attributes (fanName, isOn, speed).

In the main() method:

• Create three fan objects using each constructor.

• Call displayStatus() for each.

Expected Output:

Default Fan is OFF with speed level 0

Kitchen Fan is OFF with speed level 0

Living Room Fan is ON with speed level 4

**Task 4: Encapsulation**

Objective:

Implement data hiding and controlled access using getters/setters.

Instructions:

Create a new Java file: AdvancedSmartFanSystem.java

Define a package: smartfancontroller

Create a SmartFan class with the following private attributes:

• String fanName

• boolean isOn

• int speed (0–5)

• String mode (e.g., "Normal", initially "Normal")

Add public getter and setter methods for each attribute.

Implement:

• void turnOn()

• void turnOff()

• void setSpeed(int level)

• void setMode(String mode)

• void displayStatus()

Expected Output:

Fan: Kitchen Fan | Mode: Breeze | Speed: 2 | Status: ON

Speed increased! Current speed: 3

Mode changed to: Sleep

Fan: Kitchen Fan | Mode: Sleep | Speed: 3 | Status: ON

**Task 5: Method Overloading**

Objective:

Demonstrate method overloading.

Instructions:

Overload the setSpeed() method:

• void setSpeed(int level): set by numeric level (0–5)

• void setSpeed(String mode): interpret fan modes

"low" → speed = 1

"medium" → speed = 3

"high" → speed = 5

In the main() method:

Test both versions of setSpeed().

Expected Output:

Speed set to 3

Speed set to 5 based on mode: high

Fan: Living Room Fan | Mode: Normal | Speed: 5 | Status: ON

**Task 6: UML Class Diagram**

**Objective:** Visualize the structure of your class.

**Instructions:**  
Draw a UML diagram for the SmartFan class showing:

* All attributes (with data types)
* All methods (including overloaded constructors and methods)

**Expected Output:**  
A simple class diagram with attributes and methods that clearly shows object structure and functionality.