



Java Programming

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Lecture 9

More Objects and Inheritance

Welcome!

- Welcome to Lecture 9 !
- Last week, we have learned about
 - Class and Objects
 - instance variables, constructor, this, instance methods, getter, setter, class/static variables, toString(), array of objects
 - Encapsulation
 - public vs private
- In this lecture we are going to learn about
 - More Objects
 - review Week 7, final
 - Inheritance
 - extends, super, overloading vs overriding, annotation, polymorphism

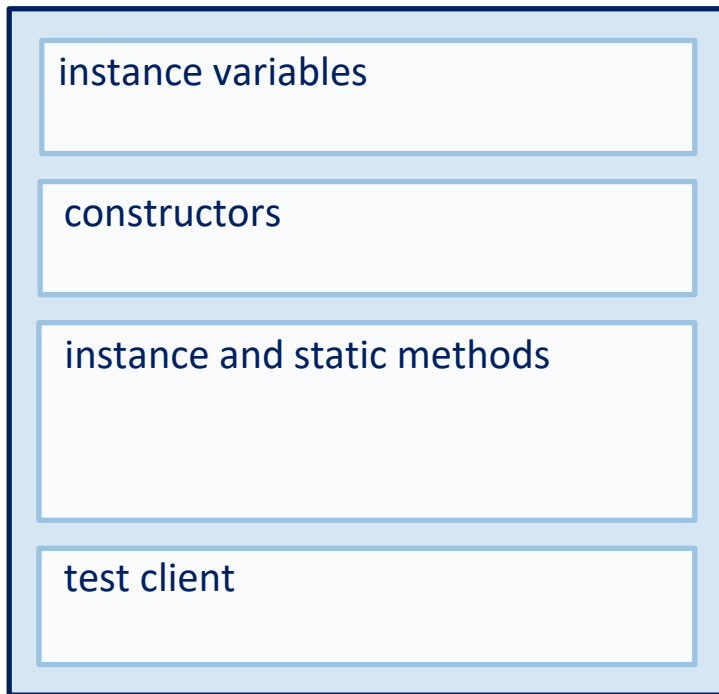
Part 1: More Objects

- In Week 7, we have learned about objects
 - we will review and explore more about them this week

Review: Java Class

- In Java, we implement a **type** (such as Person, StockPrice) in a class

A Java Class



declare variables names and types

initialize instance variables

access or modify instance variables



Demon Slayer Corps

- The Demon Slayer Corps is a organization that exist to protecting humanity from demons
 - Swordsmen are members of the Demon Slayer Corps that hunts down the demons
- We will use this as our running example in this lecture!
- Classes:
 - Swordsman class to model a regular *swordsman*
 - Successor class to model a *stronger swordsman*
 - Pillar class to model a *much more stronger swordsman*
 - DemonSlayerCorps class to create/instantiate *a troop of swordsmen*



Review: Instance Variable

- A swordsman has a name
 - we also want to keep track whether they are alive, and the number of demons they have killed

```
public class Swordsman {  
  
    private String name;  
    private boolean alive;  
    private int numDemonsKilled;  
  
    ...  
  
}
```



In-Class Quiz 9.1: Constructor

- The following implementation of constructor has a bug
 - where is the bug?

```
public class Swordsman {  
  
    private String name;  
    private boolean alive;  
    private int numDemonsKilled;  
  
    public Swordsman(String n) {  
        String name = n;  
        boolean alive = true;  
        int numDemonsKilled = 0;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

Callouts:

- 1: `public Swordsman(String n) {`
- 2: `String n`
- 3: `boolean alive = true;`
- 4: `String name = n;` and `int numDemonsKilled = 0;`

Options:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

Review: Constructor

- Use a constructor to initialize instance variables
 - use `this.` to refer to instance variables having same name as parameters / local variables

```
public class Swordsman {  
  
    private String name;  
    private boolean alive;  
    private int numDemonsKilled;  
  
    public Swordsman(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
        alive = true;  
        numDemonsKilled = 0;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

scope of instance
variable name

scope of local
variable name

Review: Test Client, Object Instantiation

- Use main method in class to implement a simple test client
 - call constructors to create (instantiate) and initialize a new object (instance) with operator new, to return an object of the type, a Swordsman object

```
public class Swordsman {  
  
    ...  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman tanjiro = new Swordsman("Tanjiri");  
    }  
}
```

Review: Reference Type

- Variable `tanjiro` references/points to a `Swordsman` object/instance

Java 8
(known limitations)

```
1 public class Swordsman {
2     private String name;
3     private boolean alive;
4     private int numDemonsKilled;
5
6     public Swordsman(String name) {
7         this.name = name;
8         alive = true;
9         numDemonsKilled = 0;
10    }
11
12    public static void main(String[] args) {
13        Swordsman tanjiro = new Swordsman("Tanjiro");
14    }
15 }
```

[Edit this code](#)

→ line that just executed
→ next line to execute

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Step 11 of 11

Frames

main:14
tanjiro

Objects

Swordsman instance

name	"Tanjiro"
alive	true
numDemonsKilled	0

Review: Private

- By setting the instance variables to be private, client classes such as DemonSlayerCorps *cannot* directly access or change their values

```
public class Swordsman {  
    private String name;  
    ...  
}
```

```
public class DemonSlayerCorps {  
    ...  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman tanjiro = new Swordsman("Tanjiro");  
        tanjiro.name = "Inosuke"; // compile error  
    }  
}
```

Review: ToString() Method

- `toString()` is a method that returns string representation of this object

```
public class Swordsman {  
    ...  
    public String toString() {  
        String alive;  
        if (this.alive) alive = "alive";  
        else             alive = "dead";  
        return "Swordsman " + name + " is " + alive +  
            " and has killed " + numDemonsKilled + " demons";  
    }  
}
```

Review: ToString() Method

- `toString()` is a method that returns string representation of this object
 - it enables an object to be printed

```
public class Swordsman {  
    ...  
    public String toString() {  
        String alive;  
        if (this.alive) alive = "alive";  
        else            alive = "dead";  
        return "Swordsman " + name + " is " + alive +  
            " and has killed " + numDemonsKilled + " demons";  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman tanjiro = new Swordsman("Tanjiro");  
        System.out.println(tanjiro);  
    }  
}
```

automatically calls
`tanjiro.toString()`

Review: Getter and Setter

- Getter / Accessor : return the value of an instance variable
- Setter / Mutator : set the instance variable to a new value

```
public class Swordsman {  
    private String name;  
    ...  
    public String getName() {  
        return name;  
    }  
  
    public void setName(String newName) {  
        name = newName;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

add getter for other
instance variables!

Review: Instance Method

- Instance method performs operation on instance variables of the instance
 - Instance method is called on an object

```
public class Swordsman {  
    private int numDemonsKilled;  
    ...  
    public void killsDemon() {  
        numDemonsKilled++;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman tanjiro = new Swordsman("Tanjiro");  
        tanjiro.killsDemon();  
        System.out.println(tanjiro);  
    }  
}
```

there is one input to killsDemon
instance method: this object

Review: Method Overloading

- Method overloading: same name, different signature
 - same method name, different parameter numbers or types

```
public class Swordsman {  
    private int numDemonsKilled;  
    ...  
    public void killsDemon() {  
        numDemonsKilled++;  
    }  
  
    public void killsDemon(int demonsKilled) {  
        numDemonsKilled += demonsKilled;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

there are two inputs to killsDemon
instance method: this object
 and int demonsKilled

Review: Constructors Overloading

- Constructor overloading: same name, different signature
 - we can call *other* constructors by using `this()`

```
public class Swordsman {  
    public Swordsman(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
        alive = true;  
        numDemonsKilled = 0;  
    }  
    public Swordsman(String name, int numDemonsKilled) {  
        this(name);  
        this.numDemonsKilled = numDemonsKilled;  
    }  
    public Swordsman() {  
        this("Nameless");  
    }  
}
```

empty constructor
with no parameters

Review: Static Method / Function (Week 5, 6)

- Just like instance methods, it can access and modify instance variables
 - however, a static method is *not necessarily* called on an object

```
public static boolean sameNumDemonsKilled(Swordsman s1, Swordsman s2) {  
    return s1.numDemonsKilled == s2.numDemonsKilled;  
}  
  
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Swordsman tanjiro = new Swordsman("Tanjiro");  
    tanjiro.killsDemon();  
  
    Swordsman zenitsu = new Swordsman("Zenitsu", 1);  
  
    boolean sameKills = sameNumDemonsKilled(tanjiro, zenitsu);  
    System.out.println(sameKills);  
}
```

Review: Class Variable / Static Variable

- Unlike instance variables where there are separate variables for each instance, there is *only one* class variable, shared among all instances

```
public class Swordsman {  
    private String name;  
    private boolean alive;  
    private int numDemonsKilled;  
  
    private static int numSwordsman = 0;  
  
    public Swordsman(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
        alive = true;  
        numDemonsKilled = 0;  
        numSwordsman++;  
    }  
}
```

initialized in the class:
initially, there are 0 swordman

add one to numSwordsman
each time a new Swordsman
object is created

Review: Accessing Class Variable

- To access a class variable, we can use *both* static or instance methods

```
public class Swordsman {  
  
    public static int getNumSwordsman() {  
        return numSwordsman;  
    }  
  
    public int getNumSwordsmanInst() {  
        return numSwordsman;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        ...  
        System.out.println(getNumSwordsman());  
        System.out.println(tanjiro.getNumSwordsmanInst());  
    }  
}
```

Review: Array of Objects

- Just like `int` or `String`, we can create an array of `Swordsman` objects

```
public class DemonSlayerCorps {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman[] swordsmanTroop = new Swordsman[2];  
        swordsmanTroop[0] = new Swordsman("Tanjiro");  
        swordsmanTroop[1] = new Swordsman("Zenitsu", 1);  
  
        for (int i = 0; i < swordsmanTroop.length; i++) {  
            System.out.println(swordsmanTroop[i]);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Part 2: Inheritance

- Another OOP feature of Java is called ***inheritance*** or *subclassing*
- The idea is to define a new class (*subclass* or *child class*) that ***inherits*** instance variables (attribute, state) and instance methods (operation, behavior) from another class (*superclass* or *parent class*)
 - enabling code reuse
- Furthermore, we will learn to make the subclass ***redefines*** or *overrides* some of the methods in the superclass

Pillars

- Pillars are the most powerful swordsmen of the Demon Slayer Corps



- There are nine types of Pillars:
 - Stone Pillar
 - Flame Pillar
 - Sound Pillar
 - Mist Pillar
 - Water Pillar
 - Serpent Pillar
 - Love Pillar
 - Insect Pillar
 - Wind Pillar
- We will implement a `Pillar` object using inheritance in this lecture

Subclass and Superclass

- Since a Pillar *is a* Swordsman, a Pillar has all attributes that a Swordsman has, and a Pillar can do everything that a Swordsman can (and potentially more)
 - instead of copying all the codes from Swordsman class to Pillar class, we set Pillar class to *extend* the Swordsman class

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
}
```

- We say that Pillar is a *subclass* of Swordsman, and Swordsman is the *superclass* of Pillar
 - or, Pillar is a *child class* of Swordsman, and Swordsman is the *parent class* of Pillar
 - in Java, a class can only be a subclass of one superclass, but a superclass can be extended by many subclasses

Subclass Constructor and super()



- A subclass inherits all of the superclass' instance variables
 - however, the subclass *cannot* directly initialize the inherited instance variables that are declared in the superclass as private
 - use `super()` to call the superclass' constructor and pass the initial values

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    public Pillar(String name) {  
        super(name);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Pillar kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro");  
    }  
}
```

Inherited Methods

- We can call the inherited public methods on the superclass' instance

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    public Pillar(String name) {  
        super(name);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Pillar kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro");  
        System.out.println(kyojuro.getName());  
        System.out.println(kyojuro);  
    }  
}
```

In-Class Quiz 9.2: Shadowing Instance Variables

- What will happen if we try to solve the problem by declaring an instance variable with the same name?

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    private String name;  
  
    public Pillar(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Pillar kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro");  
        System.out.println(kyojuro.getName());  
    }  
}
```

- compile error
- runtime error
- works well,
prints "Kyojuro"
- prints something
else

Overloading Constructor

- We can overload the constructor
 - match the new constructor with the overloaded superclass constructor

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    public Pillar(String name) {  
        super(name);  
    }  
  
    public Pillar(String name, int numDemonsKilled) {  
        super(name, numDemonsKilled);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Pillar kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro", 1000);  
    }  
}
```

Add instance variables

- We can introduce new instance variables

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
    private String type;  
    public Pillar(String name, String type) {  
        super(name);  
        this.type = type;  
    }  
    public Pillar(String name, int numDemonsKilled, String type) {  
        super(name, numDemonsKilled);  
        this.type = type;  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Pillar kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro", 1000, "Fire");  
    }  
}
```

Add instance methods

- We can introduce new instance methods

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
    private String type;  
    ...  
    public String getType() {  
        return type;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

Final Instance Variable

- If the instance variable will *never* be changed after it is initialized, we can declare it to be *final*:

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
    private final String type;  
  
    public Pillar(String name, String type) {  
        super(name);  
        this.type = type;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

any attempt to modify `type`
will generate compile error!

for instance variables that will possibly be changed in the future,
such as `numDemonsKilled`, do *not* declare it to be `final`

Constant

- To define a **constant**, we use keywords *static final*

```
public class Swordsman {  
    private int healthPoint;  
  
    public static final int MAX_HP = 100;  
  
    public Swordsman(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
        alive = true;  
        numDemonsKilled = 0;  
        numSwordsman++;  
        healthPoint = MAX_HP;  
    }  
}
```

use the constant as a value



Redefining Superclass Method in Subclass

- Let's say a Swordsman has an attack damage according to formula

$$\text{attackDamage} = 10 + 5 * \text{numDemonsKilled}$$

- We can add an instance method to Swordsman class:

```
public class Swordsman {  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 10 + 5 * numDemonsKilled;  
    }  
}
```

- However, a Pillar is much more powerful than a regular Swordsman
 - a Pillar's attack damage is

$$\text{attackDamage} = 1000 + 100 * \text{numDemonsKilled}$$

need to redefine attackDamage() method in Pillar class!

Overriding Method

- We redefine the inherited `attackDamage()` method of Swordsman class:

```
public class Swordsman {  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 10 + 5 * numDemonsKilled;  
    }  
}
```

to a method in Pillar class with the *same signature*:

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 1000 + 100 * getNumDemonsKilled();  
    }  
}
```

- This is called *overriding* the superclass method

Overloading vs Overriding

- Overloading: on same class, same name, different signature
- Overriding: on subclass, same signature

```
public class Swordsman {  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 10 + 5 * numDemonsKilled;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 1000 + 100 * getNumDemonsKilled();  
    }  
}
```

In-Class Quiz 9.3: Overriding Method

- After writing the method below, what is the output ?

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 1000 + 100 * getNumDemonsKilled();  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Pillar kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro", 1, "Fire");  
        System.out.println(kyojuro.attackDamage());  
    }  
}
```

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 15
- ☐ 1000
- ☐ 1100

@Override Annotation

- We can put an annotation before the overriding method:

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
    @Override  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 1000 + 100 * getNumDemonsKilled();  
    }  
}
```

- The purpose is
 - if we made a mistake such as typo on the method name or parameter
 - then we will get a compile error
 - without annotation, instead of overriding, we may overload the superclass method or introduce a new method *by mistake*

Calling Overridden Method

- Suppose that a Pillar's attack damage is
$$\text{attackDamage} = 1000 + 100 * \text{attackDamage as a Swordsman}$$
- We can *still* call the overridden `attackDamage()` method of the superclass Swordsman by using `super`.

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
    @Override  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 1000 + 100 * super.attackDamage();  
    }  
}
```

without using `super`. the method will call itself recursively, stay tuned, we will discuss Recursion in Week 13

Overriding toString()

- We actually have been doing overriding when we write the toString() method
 - we overrode the toString() method of the Object class

```
public class Swordsman {  
    @Override  
    public String toString() {  
        String alive;  
        if (this.alive) alive = "alive";  
        else            alive = "dead";  
        return "Swordsman " + name + " is " + alive +  
            " and has killed " + numDemonsKilled + " demons";  
    }  
}
```

local variable alive

- In Java, every class is a subclass of Object class

Final Instance Method

- If you declare **an instance method** to be *final*, it cannot be overridden

```
public class Swordsman {  
    public final int attackDamage() {  
        return 10 + 5 * numDemonsKilled;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
    public int attackDamage() {  
        return 1000 + 100 * getNumDemonsKilled();  
    }  
}
```

attackDamage() in Pillar cannot
override attackDamage() in Swordsman
overridden method is final

Java's Object superclass

- As every class is a subclass of the [java.lang.Object](#) class, every class inherits

Modifier and Type	Method and Description
protected Object	clone() Creates and returns a copy of this object.
boolean	equals(Object obj) Indicates whether some other object is "equal to" this one.
protected void	finalize() Called by the garbage collector on an object when garbage collection determines that there are no more references to the object.
Class<?>	getClass() Returns the runtime class of this Object.
int	hashCode() Returns a hash code value for the object.
void	notify() Wakes up a single thread that is waiting on this object's monitor.
void	notifyAll() Wakes up all threads that are waiting on this object's monitor.
String	toString() Returns a string representation of the object.
void	wait() Causes the current thread to wait until another thread invokes the notify() method or the notifyAll() method for this object.
void	wait(long timeout) Causes the current thread to wait until either another thread invokes the notify() method or the notifyAll() method for this object, or a specified amount of time has elapsed.
void	wait(long timeout, int nanos) Causes the current thread to wait until another thread invokes the notify() method or the notifyAll() method for this object, or some other thread interrupts the current thread, or a certain amount of real time has elapsed.

we have learned about
toString() method

we will learn about
equals() method in the
Advanced OOP course

Override toString() in Pillar

- We can override the toString() of Swordsman in Pillar to get a better description of a Pillar object/instance

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    @Override  
    public String toString() {  
        return type + " Pillar " + getName() + " has killed " +  
            getNumDemonsKilled() + " demons";  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Pillar kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro", 1000, "Fire");  
        System.out.println(kyojuro);  
    }  
}
```

Converting between Subclass and Superclass (1)

- Sometimes we want to convert a subclass type to a superclass type
- We have that Pillar class extends Swordsman class
 - a Pillar object *is a* (special case) of a Swordsman object
 - therefore, a reference to a Pillar object (subclass) can be converted to a Swordsman reference (superclass)

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro", 1000, "Fire");  
    }  
}
```

Converting between Subclass and Superclass (2)

- However, only methods of Swordsman (superclass) can be called
 - call to getType(), method of Pillar (subclass) will cause compile error

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro", 1000, "Fire");  
        System.out.println(kyojuro.getType());  
        System.out.println(kyojuro);  
    }  
}
```

compile error

OK

- but, we can call the toString() method,
which actually has been overridden in Pillar

Polymorphism (1)

- Moreover, toString() of Pillar (that overrides one in Swordsman) will be called
 - useful when we have many subclasses of Swordsman that have overridden the same method like toString()
 - each overridden toString() will be called with the *same call*, which we will do next

```
public class Pillar extends Swordsman {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman kyojuro = new Pillar("Kyojuro", 10000, "Fire");  
        System.out.println(kyojuro);  
    }  
}
```

- people call this OOP feature *polymorphism*
 - superclass variable calls the overridden method of each specific subclass

Polymorphism (2)

- A Successor is an exceptionally talented swordsman who is designated as the apprentice of one of the Pillars



```
public class Successor extends Swordsman {  
    private String apprenticedTo;  
    public Successor(String name, String apprenticedTo) {  
        super(name);  
        this.apprenticedTo = apprenticedTo;  
    }  
    @Override  
    public String toString() {  
        return "Successor " + getName() + " apprenticed to " + apprenticedTo +  
            " has killed " + getNumDemonsKilled() + " demons";  
    }  
}
```

Polymorphism (3)

- Now, we can have an array of Swordsman objects
 - and each individual object can be printed accordingly

```
public class DemonSlayerCorps {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Swordsman[] swordsmanTroop = new Swordsman[3];  
        swordsmanTroop[0] = new Swordsman("Tanjiro");  
        swordsmanTroop[1] = new Pillar("Kyojuro", 10000, "Fire");  
        swordsmanTroop[2] = new Successor("Kanao", "Shinobu");  
  
        for (int i = 0; i < swordsmanTroop.length; i++) {  
            System.out.println(swordsmanTroop[i]);  
        }  
    }  
}
```


Thank you for your attention !



- In this lecture, you have learned:
 - to leverage inheritance and create subclasses
 - to learn relationship between a class and its superclass
 - to distinguish between overloading and overriding method
 - to use polymorphism to call overridden subclass method on an array of superclass objects
- Please continue to Lab 9 to complete Lab Tasks, and then solve
 - Exercise #9.1 - #9.4 and
 - CW1 #9.1, #9.2, #9.3