JAVA METHODS & OOPS CONCEPTS



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Java Methods:

- In java, a method is a block of code that performs a specific task.
- A method has the following,
- 1. A name (also known as the method identifier)
- 2. A return type (void if it doesn't return a value)
- 3. Parameters (input values) in parentheses
- 4. A body (the code that's executed when the method is called)

Syntax:

```
access-modifier non-access modifier return_type method_name(parameters) {
//method body
//statements;
}
Example:
public int add(int x, int y) {
   return x + y;
```



Method Types:

Predefined Methods:

- In Java, predefined methods are also known as built-in methods or library methods.
- These are methods that are already defined and implemented in the Java Class Library (JCL) and can be used directly by programmers.

Example:

```
println(), nextInt(), next() etc.
```

User Defined Methods:

- In Java, user-defined methods are methods that are created by the programmer to perform specific tasks.
- These are defined inside a class or interface.

Example:

```
public class Calculator {
  public int add(int x, int y) {
    return x + y;
  }
}
```



Calling Methods:

• <u>Instance Method call</u>: Calling a method on an object instance.

```
MyObject obj = new MyObject();
obj.myMethod();
```

• <u>Static Method Call</u>: Calling a static method on a class.

```
MyClass.myStaticMethod();
```

• Method Chaining: Calling multiple methods in a single statement.

```
myObject.method1().method2().method3();
```

• <u>Method Overloading</u>: Calling a method with different parameters.

```
myObject.myMethod(int);
myObject.myMethod(String);
```

Method Overriding: Calling a subclass method that overrides a superclass method.

```
MySubclass obj = new MySubclass();
obj.myMethod(); // calls the subclass method
```

• Recursive Method Call: Calling a method within itself.

```
public void myMethod() {
myMethod(); // recursive call
}
```



Object Oriented Programming:

- Java Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) is a programming paradigm that revolves around the concept of objects and classes.
- It's a way of designing and organizing code that simulates real-world objects and systems.

The key aspects of Java OOP:

- 1.Classes
- 2.Objects
- 3.Inheritance
- 4.Polymorphism
- 5.Encapsulation
- 6. Abstraction



Benefits of using Oop:

- Modularity
- Reusability
- Improved code organization and structure
- scalability
- Better representation of real-world systems

Class:

• A Class is a blueprint that defines the properties and behavior of an object.

Properties:

- 1. Variables / Data members
- 2.Methods / Functions



Example:

```
public class Car {
   // Variables (data members)
   String color;
   String model;
   // Method (action)
   public void startEngine() {
      System.out.println("The " + color + " " + model + " is starting its engine.");
```



Object:

- An object is an instance of a class, represents a real-world entity.
- Objects have state (data) and behavior (methods).

New Keyword:

- The new keyword is used to create a new object.
- It allocates memory for the object and initializes its state.

Object Creation:

Object creation is the process of creating a new object from a class using the new keyword.

Syntax:

ClassName objectName = new ClassName();

InstanceOf Keyword:

- The instanceof keyword is useful for checking the type of an object at runtime, especially when working with inheritance and polymorphism.
- Syntax:

objectName instanceof ClassName



Example:

Car classpublic class Car {String color;String model;

Object Creation:

Car myCar = new Car(); // creates a new Car object

• InstanceOf Keyword:

System.out.println(myCar instanceof Car); // Output: true



Constructor:

- A constructor is a special method that is used to initialize objects when they are created.
- It must be the name of the class.
- It doesn't have the return type.

<u>Uses</u>:

- Initializing objects.
- Setting default values
- Ensuring valid state



Example: Person class with a constructor

```
public class Person {
   String name;
   int age;
   // Constructor
   public Person(String name, int age) {
      this.name = name;
     this.age = age;
   public void displayDetails() {
     System.out.println("Name: " + name + ", Age: " + age);
• Creating an Object:
    Person person = new Person("John", 30);
    person.displayDetails(); // Output: Name: John, Age: 30
```



