Page object module (POM Class):-

* POM is one of design pattern which help proper way of writing automation test script.
* POM Follows Encapsulation principal while designing class

Encapsulation:

1. Data member should be declared globally and whose access specifer should be private.
2. Initialize within constructor whose access scope should be public
3. Utilize data members inside methods with access scope public.

* POM class should not contain main method.
* To run POM class there is need of another test class which constist of main method.
* Total number data members in POM class is depends on number of elements which needs to be handle on webpage.

**Page Factory:**

Page factory is class which is having static method like initElemet() method.

* To initialize data member we need to call initElemet method within the class inside the constructor.
* Ex: PageFactory.*initElements*(dri, **this**);
* InitElement method will initialize data member by identifying each component present on web page by using @FindBy annotation which takes input as locator type.
* Ex: @FindBy(xpath="x-path expression") **private** WebElement dataMember;

Working:

When we call POM class initElements method will convert all data members @FindBy annotation to findElemets this is called as basic or early initialization.

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WebElement dataMember = driver.findElement(By.xpath(“x-path expression”));

* Instead of perform action on element directly, element on web page is identified and then action will be performed this is known as late initialization.