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Objects as Elements of Classes

Objects are elements of Classes.

E.g., 5 October 2016 would be a Date.

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Formally in Java – Constructor

```
/** This constructor creates a date from the three parts:
 * day, month, and year, which are an int, a String,
 * and an int, respectively.
 */
public Date (int    d,
             String m,
             int    y){
    day      = d;
    month    = m;
    year     = y;
}
```

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Setter Methods

```
/** Now we write methods to set the parts of a Date,
 * so called *setters*.
 */
/**
 * sets the day of a Date
 * param newDay is the new day to which the day is set
 */
public void setDay(int newDay){
    day = newDay;
}
/**
 * sets the month of a Date
 * param newMonth is the new month to which the month is set
 */
public void setMonth(String newMonth){
    month = newMonth;
}
(Likewise for setYear.)
```

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Classes as Generalized Types

Classes can be considered as generalized types.

There are 8 basic types in Java (such as `int` and `double`).

Classes are general and can be user defined. For instance, we can define a class `Date`, consisting of an `int`, a `String`, and another `int`, representing the day of the month, the month and the year.

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Formally in Java

```
/** First, we declare the variables we use in this class.
 * *private* means that the variable cannot be accessed
 * from outside the class.
 * (As opposed to *public* which means that it can be
 * accessed. We declare the variables as private because
 * of data encapsulation.
 */
public class Date{
    private int    day;
    private String month;
    private int    year;
}
```

Note: Each class goes in a separate file!

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Getter methods

```
/** Now we write *methods* to get the parts of a Date,
 * so called *accessor methods* or *getters*
 */
/**
 * return the day of a Date
 */
public int getDay(){
    return day;
}
/**
 * return the month of a Date
 */
public String getMonth(){
    return month;
}
/**
 * return the year of a Date
 */
public int getYear(){
    return year;
}
```

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Printing of Objects by the toString Method

```
/**
 * this method says how to print a date
 * return a String how the object is printed
 */
public String toString(){
    return day + " " + month + " " + year;    // European
    //return year + ", " + month + " " + day; // American
}
```

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Checking equality by the equals Method

```
public boolean equals(Date date){
    return (this.getDay() == date.getDay()) &&
           (this.getMonth().equals(date.getMonth())) &&
           (this.getYear() == date.getYear());
}
```

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Another EXAMPLE – BankAccount

```
/** BankAccount is a class for a very simple bank
 * account created from a bank account and the
 * name of the account holder.
 * @author Manfred Kerber
 * @version 6 October 2015
 */
public class BankAccount{
    private int    accountNumber;
    private String accountName;
    private int    balance;
}
```

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Getter methods

```
/* Now we write methods to get the parts of a
 * BankAccount, so called accessor methods.
 */
/** @return the account number of a
 * BankAccount as int
 */
public int getAccountNumber(){
    return accountNumber;
}

/** @return the accountName as a String
 */
public String getAccountName(){
    return accountName;
}

/** @return the balance of a BankAccount
 */
public int getBalance(){
    return balance;
}
```

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Printing of Objects by the toString Method

```
/** toString defines how to print a BankAccount
 *
 * @return the print type of an account
 */
public String toString(){
    return "Account number: " + accountNumber +
           " Account name: "   + accountName   +
           " Balance: "       + balance;
}
```

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Some boolean expressions

3 == 4	⇒	false
3 > 4	⇒	false
3 < 4	⇒	true
3 < 4 && 4 < 5	⇒	true
4 < 3 4 < 5	⇒	true
!(4 < 3 4 < 5)	⇒	false
(4 < 3 4 < 5) && 3 == 4	⇒	false
"test".equals("test")	⇒	true
"test1".equals("test2")	⇒	false

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Constructor

```
/** BankAccount is a constructor for a very
 * simple bank account created
 * @param accountNumber is the account number as int
 * @param accountName the account name as String
 */
public BankAccount(int    accountNumber,
                   String accountName){
    this.accountNumber = accountNumber;
    this.accountName   = accountName;
    this.balance       = 0;
}
```

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Setter Methods

```
/* Now we write methods to set the parts of a bank account,
 * so called setters.
 */
/**
 * sets the account number of a BankAccount
 * @param accountNumber for the changed account number
 */
public void setAccountNumber(int accountNumber){
    this.accountNumber = accountNumber;
}

/**
 * sets the balance of a BankAccount
 * @param newBalance the new balance on the account
 */
public void setBalance(int balance){
    this.balance = balance;
}
```

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Checking equality by the equals Method

```
public boolean equals(Account a){
    return
        (this.getAccountNumber() == a.getAccountNumber()) &&
        (this.getAccountName().equals(a.getAccountName())) &&
        (this.getBalance() == a.getBalance());
}
```

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Write comments in the following form

```
/**
 *   In the following we define the Date class ...
 *   @author Manfred Kerber
 *   @version 2015-10-07
 */
public class Date{
    /**
     *   toString of a Date gives a printed version of a Date
     *   @return The String how the date will be printed.
     */
    public String toString(){
        return day + " " + month + " " + year;
    }
}
```

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JUnit Testing

In JUnit testing we compare the [expected result](#) of a method or a computation to the [actual result](#). If the result agrees then the test [passes](#), otherwise it [fails](#).

We use initially only assertEquals, assertFalse, and assertTrue.

Details on <http://junit.org/>

For a fuller list of assertions see:

<https://github.com/junit-team/junit/wiki/Assertions>

Write the tests into a class with an appropriate name, e.g.

[Name.java](#), compile it with `javac Name.java`,

and run it with `java org.junit.runner.JUnitCore Name`.

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JUnit Testing (Cont'd)

```
@Test
public void assertFalseTest() {
    assertFalse("failure in assertFalseTest: " +
        " expected false but got true",//errorMsg
        3 == 4);
}

@Test
public void assertTrueTest() {
    assertTrue("failure in assertTrueTest: " +
        "expected true but got false",//errorMsg
        5 > 2);
}
```

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With javac we compile the .java file:

`javac BankAccount.java`

With javadoc we extract documentation from it:

`javadoc -author -version BankAccount.java`

We use the tags:

- **author** (author of a class)
- **version** (the date when class written, e.g.)
- **param** (one entry for each parameter)
- **return** (return value for non void methods)

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JUnit Testing

```
@Test
public void assertEqualsTest1() {
    assertEquals("failure in assertEqualsTest1: " +
        " expected string not equal given string",//errorMsg
        "text", //expected value
        "te" + "xt");//actual value
}

@Test
public void assertEqualsTest2() {
    assertEquals("failure in assertEqualsTest2: " +
        " expected number not approx. equal given number",//errorMsg
        2.0, //expectedValue
        2.1, //actualValue
        0.11); // tolerance >= |expectedValue - actualValue|
}
```

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