

# More Inheritance

- **super**
- Constructors
- The Object Class
- Random Point



Introduction to Java

# See Also

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/IandI/subclasses.html>

[http://www.homeandlearn.co.uk/java/java\\_inheritance.html](http://www.homeandlearn.co.uk/java/java_inheritance.html)

<http://beginnersbook.com/2013/05/java-inheritance-types/>

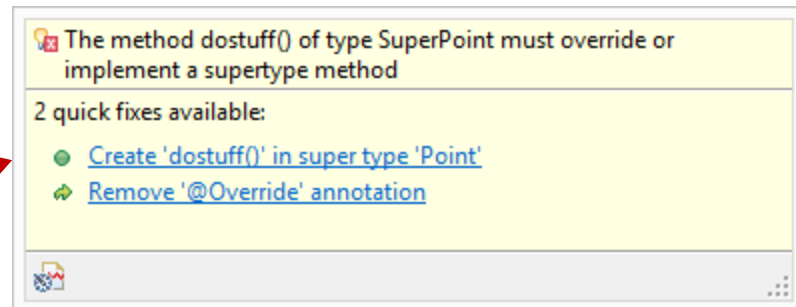


# @Override

- Case matters. “doStuff” and “dostuff” are different
- You can tell the compiler you mean to override by using an “annotation”
- The compiler will give you an error

```
class Point {  
    public void doStuff() {  
        System.out.println("Hello");  
    }  
}
```

```
class SuperPoint extends Point{  
  
    @Override  
    public void dostuff() {  
        System.out.println("SUPER");  
    }  
}
```

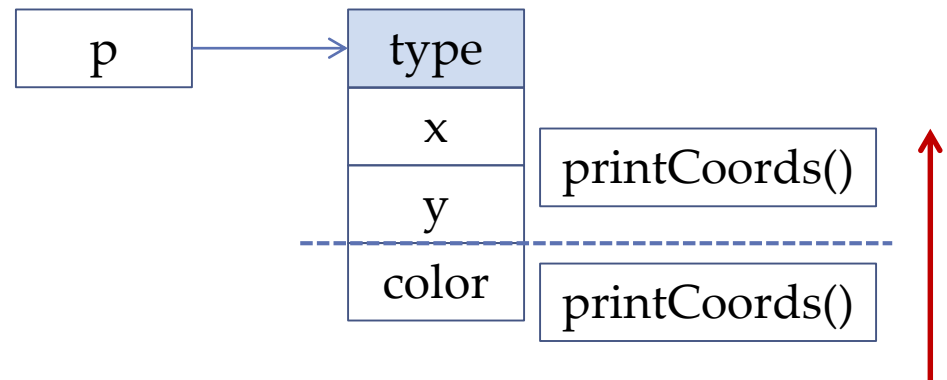


# super

- “super” means “up” ... up to the base class
- You can call methods in your direct base class

```
class Point {  
    private int x;  
    private int y;  
  
    public void printCoord() {  
        System.out.println(x+","+y);  
    }  
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {  
    private int color;  
  
    public void printCoord() {  
        super.printCoord();  
  
        System.out.println("Color is "+color);  
    }  
}
```



```
ColorPoint p = new ColorPoint();  
p.printCoord();
```

```
0,0  
Color is 0
```

# Chained Constructors

```
class Point {  
    private int x;  
    private int y;  
  
    public Point() {  
    }  
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {  
    private int color;  
  
    public ColorPoint(int c) {  
        super();  
        color = c;  
    }  
}
```

- The compiler gives you a constructor if you don't define one.
- The FIRST thing your constructor must do is call one of the base class constructors (you can pick).
- If you don't explicitly call one then the compiler inserts a call to the base class's no-args constructor.



# Chained Constructors

```
class Point {  
    private int x;  
    private int y;
```

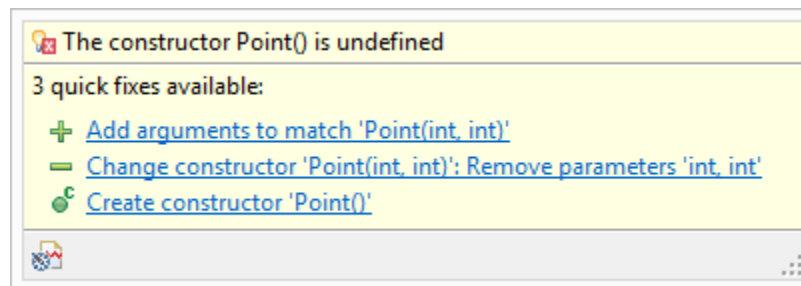
- What if there isn't a no-args constructor in the base class?

```
    public Point(int x, int y) {  
        this.x = x;  
        this.y = y;  
    }  
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {  
    private int color;
```

```
    public ColorPoint(int c) {  
        super();  
        color = c;  
    }  
}
```

- You will get a compile error



# Chained Constructors

```
class Point {  
    private int x;  
    private int y;
```

- You must explicitly invoke a base constructor

```
    public Point(int x, int y) {  
        this.x = x;  
        this.y = y;  
    }  
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {  
    private int color;  
  
    public ColorPoint(int c) {  
        super(0,0);  
        color = c;  
    }  
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {  
    private int color;  
  
    public ColorPoint(int x, int y, int c) {  
        super(x,y);  
        color = c;  
    }  
}
```

# Object

```
class Point extends Object {
```

```
    private int x;
```

```
    private int y;
```

```
    public Point() {  
        super();
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

- Every class you make MUST extend some base class
- If you don't explicitly give one then the compiler will insert "extends Object"
- Object has no public data. But it has some useful methods to use and override.
- Object is the base of ALL objects. You can call the methods defined in Object on any and all objects you create.



# Object

- You can create instances of Object

```
Object ob = new Object(); // in java.lang  
ob.
```

- equals(Object obj) : boolean - Object
- getClass() : Class<?> - Object
- hashCode() : int - Object
- notify() : void - Object
- notifyAll() : void - Object
- toString() : String - Point
- wait() : void - Object
- wait(long timeout) : void - Object
- wait(long timeout, int nanos) : void - Object

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Overrides: [toString\(\)](#) in [Object](#)

## *toString*

```
public String toString()
```

Returns a string representation of the object. In general, the `toString` method returns a string that "textually represents" this object. The result should be a concise but informative representation that is easy for a person to read. It is recommended that all subclasses override this method. The `toString` method for class `Object` returns a string consisting of the name of the class of which the object is an instance, the at-sign character '@', and the unsigned hexadecimal representation of the hash code of the object. In other words, this method returns a string equal to the

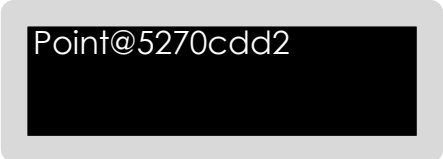
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# toString()

```
class Point {  
    private int x;  
    private int y;  
  
    @Override  
    public String toString() {  
        return x+","+y;  
    }  
}
```

```
Point p = new Point();  
System.out.println(p.toString());  
  
System.out.println(p);
```

- The “toString” method returns a string representation of the object
- The default shows the “hashCode”, which is (mostly) unique for each object
- You can override the Object version
- The compiler knows every object has a “toString”. If you print a “pointer” then it inserts the “toString”.



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0,0

# Methods of Object

**public** String toString()

Return a string representation (often used in debugging)

**public boolean** equals(Object obj)

Agreed upon name for your “compareTo” method like we did earlier

**public int** hashCode()

Returns mostly-unique value used in hash-maps (later)

**public** Class<?> getClass()

Runtime-type information for reflection

**public void** notify()

Used in multi-threading

**public void** wait()

**public void** wait(**long** timeout)

**public void** wait(**long** timeout,  
                  **int** nanos)

# “final” and “protected”

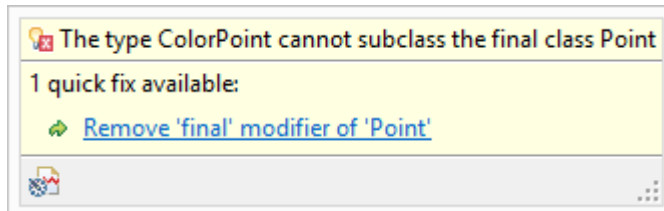
```
class Point {  
    protected int x;  
    protected int y;  
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {  
  
    public void doStuff() {  
        x = 20; // Permission ...  
        y = 40; // ... granted  
    }  
  
}
```

- “protected” data and methods are “public” to derived classes
- A “final” class cannot be extended

```
final class Point {  
    protected int x;  
    protected int y;  
}
```

```
class ColorPoint extends Point {  
  
}
```



# The Random Point

```
class Point {  
  
    int x;  
    int y;  
  
    public Point(int x, int y) {  
        this.x = x;  
        this.y = y;  
    }  
  
    public int getX() {  
        return x;  
    }  
  
    public int getY() {  
        return y;  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public String toString() {  
        return x+", "+y;  
    }  
}
```

```
Point p = new Point(1,2);  
System.out.println(p.toString());
```

```
RandomPoint r = new RandomPoint();  
System.out.println(r);  
System.out.println(r);  
System.out.println(r);
```

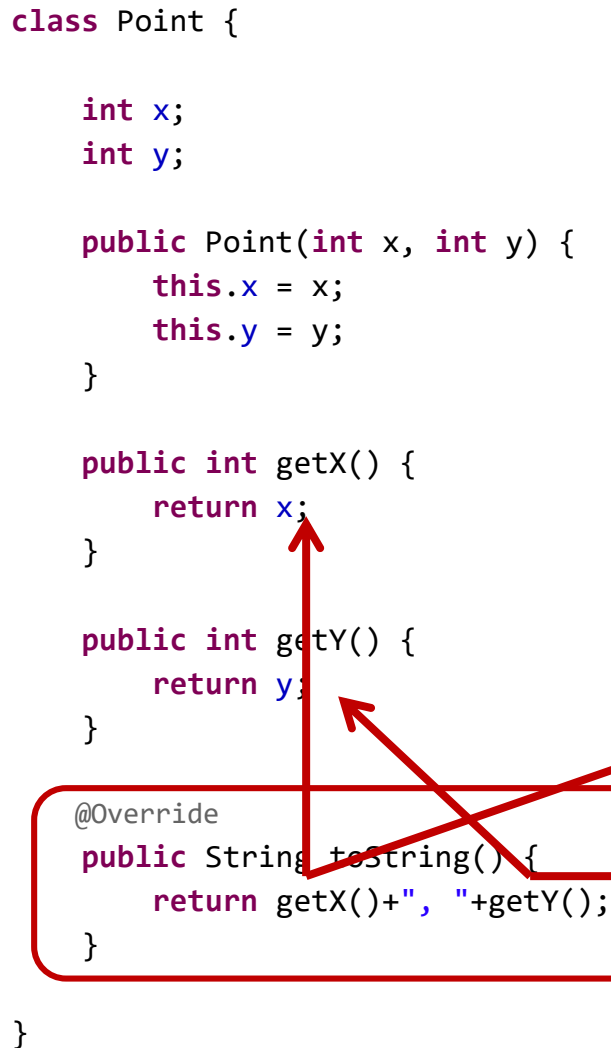
1,2  
0,0  
0,0  
0,0



```
class RandomPoint extends Point {  
  
    public RandomPoint() {  
        super(0,0);  
    }  
    @Override  
    public int getX() {  
        Random rand = new Random();  
        return rand.nextInt();  
    }  
    @Override  
    public int getY() {  
        Random rand = new Random();  
        return rand.nextInt();  
    }  
}
```

# The Random Point

```
class Point {  
  
    int x;  
    int y;  
  
    public Point(int x, int y) {  
        this.x = x;  
        this.y = y;  
    }  
  
    public int getX() {  
        return x;  
    }  
  
    public int getY() {  
        return y;  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public String toString() {  
        return getX()+"", "+getY();  
    }  
}
```



```
Point p = new Point(1,2);  
System.out.println(p.toString());
```

```
RandomPoint r = new RandomPoint();  
System.out.println(r);  
System.out.println(r);  
System.out.println(r);
```

```
1, 2  
840783894, -631984485  
-2080906217, 1852971609  
-874011925, -548106830
```

```
class RandomPoint extends Point {  
  
    public RandomPoint() {  
        super(0,0);  
    }  
    @Override  
    public int getX() {  
        Random rand = new Random();  
        return rand.nextInt();  
    }  
    @Override  
    public int getY() {  
        Random rand = new Random();  
        return rand.nextInt();  
    }  
}
```



# Your Turn

- Code up Point and ColorPoint. Give them constructors (with arguments) and “toString” methods.
- Create some Point and ColorPoints. Print their string representations.
- Add an “equals” method to Point. Create several Point objects and compare them.

