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Java Basics
How to create a class





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 - Class Declaration
 - Class Body
- Understanding Instance and Class Members
 - Instance variables & instance methods
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 - Objects vs. Classes



Goals

- Class Construction
 - To be able create a class and describe all element of a class
- Understanding Instance & Class Members
 - to be able distinguish Instance and Class Members
 - to be able distinguish Objects and Classes





• UML Representation

BankAccount

- balance : int
- accountNumber : String
- +deposit(int:amount):void
- +withdraw(int:amount):void
- +queryBalance():int
- +getAccountNumber():String





```
public class BankAccount
   private int balance;
   private String accountNumber;
   public BankAccount (String accountNumber)
       this.accountNumber = accountNumber;
   public String getAccountNumber()
       return this.accountNumber;
   public int queryBalance()
       return this.balance:
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}
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• The Class declaration

public	Class is public accessible
abstract	Class cannot be instantiated
final	Class cannot be subclassed
class NameOfClass	Name of the class
extends Super	Superclass of this class
implements Interfaces	Interfaces implemented by this class
{ ClassBody }	



- The Class body
 - The class body contains all of the code :
 - constructors,
 - declarations for the variables,
 - methods.
 - « Note » Constructors are not methods. Nor are they members.





- The Class body
 - Constructors
 - All Java Classes have constructors
 - Initialize a new object of that type
 - The same name as the class
 - In the example we define a single constructor but we can define some constructors or zero constructor





```
public BankAccount(String accountNumber)
{
    this.accountNumber=accountNumber;
}
public BankAccount(String accountNumber, int initialBalance)
{
    this.accountNumber=accountNumber;
    this.balance=initialBalance;
}
```





- The Class body
 - Constructors
 - Access specifiers for constructors
 - private
 - protected
 - public
 - package (default)



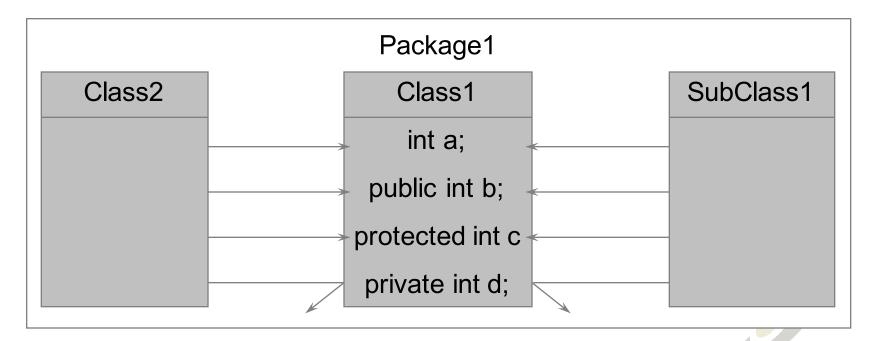
- The Class body
 - Declaring Member Variables
 - A class's state is represented by its member variables

```
public class BankAccount
{
    private int balance;
    private String accountNumber;
    ...
}
```

Declaration of Member Variable		
accessLevel	Indicates the access level for this member	
static	Declares a class member	
final	Indicates that is a constant	
transient	This variable is transient	
volatile	This variable is volatile	
type name	the type and the name of the variable	

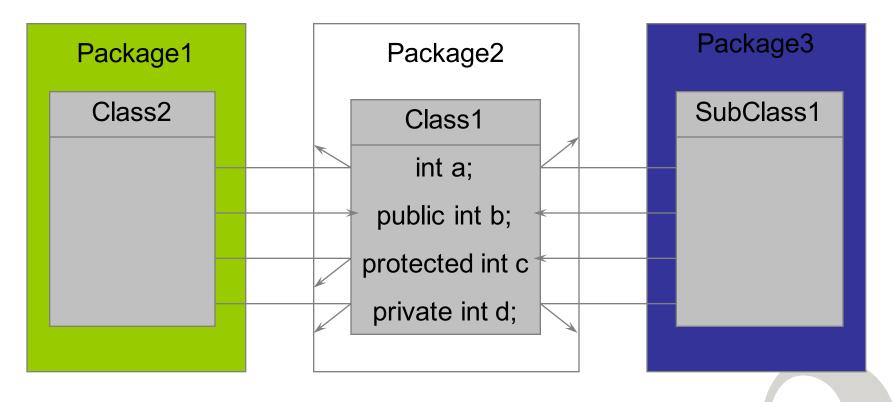


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 - static
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 - type
 - name





- The Class body
 - Implementing Methods
 - As you know, objects have behavior that is implemented by its methods.

```
public class BankAccount
  public String getAccountNumber()
      return this account Number;
  public void deposit (int amount)
      this.balance += amount;
```



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public class BankAccount
                      public String getAccountNumber()
Method Declaration
                         return this.accountNumber;
                         this.balance += amount;
```

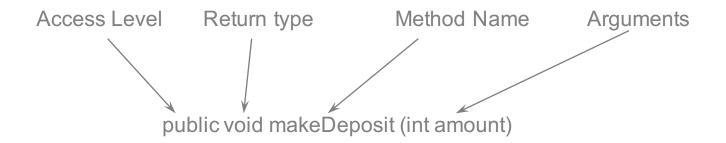


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Elements of a Method Declaration		
accessLevel	Indicates the access level for this method	
static	Declares a class method	
abstract	This method is not implemented	
final	Method cannot be overridden	
native	Method implemented in another language	
Synchronized	Method requires a monitor to run	
returntype methodName	the return type and the method name	
(paramlist)	the list of arguments	
throws exceptions	The exceptions thrown by this method	

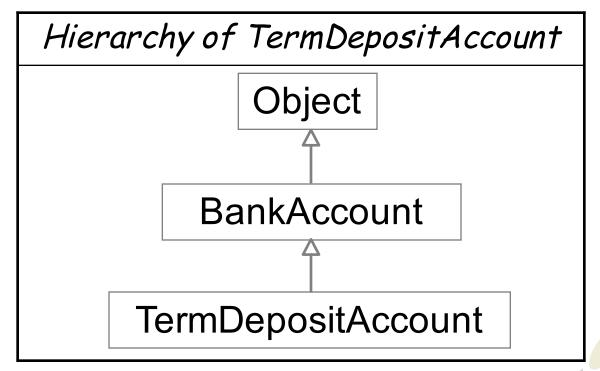
- The Class body
 - Implementing Methods
 - Returning a Value from a method
 - If method's return type is not void → use the return operator to return the value

```
public class BankAccount
{
    ...
    public String getAccountNumber()
    {
        return this.accountNumber;
    }
    public void deposit (int amount)
    {
        this.balance += amount;
    }
    ...
}
```





- The Class body
 - Implementing Methods
 - Returning a Value from a method



 the getAccountNumber method can return a TermDepositAccount but not a Object

- The Class body
 - Implementing Methods
 - Passing information into a Method
 - declare the type and name for each arguments in the method signature

```
public int computePerimeter(int side1, int
side2, int side3)
{
  return side1 + side2 + side3;
}
```

- Argument types are valid Java data types like: primitive data types, reference data types (objects, arrays, interfaces)
- Argument names is used to refer to the item into the method body.
- if a method argument have the same name of a class's member the argument hide the class's member

- The Class body
 - Implementing Methods
 - Method Body
 - Local Variables
 - Within method body you can declare more variables

```
public int computePerimeter(int side1, int side2, int side3)
{
   int perimeter = side1 + side 2 + side3;
   return perimeter;
}
```



- The Class body
 - The keywords this & super
 - Use **this** to refer members in the current object
 - Use super to refer members in the superclass that the current class has hidden or overridden





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- Instance variables & instance methods
 - The values for instance variables are provided by each instance of the class.
 - When you create a class you must instantiate it before you can use it.
 - You can now invoke instance methods of this object
 - Instances of the same class share the same instance method implementations, which reside in the class itself

Class variable & class methods

- Classes can also define class variables and class methods
- You don't have instantiate a class to use its class methods and variables
- class methods use only class variables (not instances methods or variables)
- Single copy of all class variables when the program use this class the first time

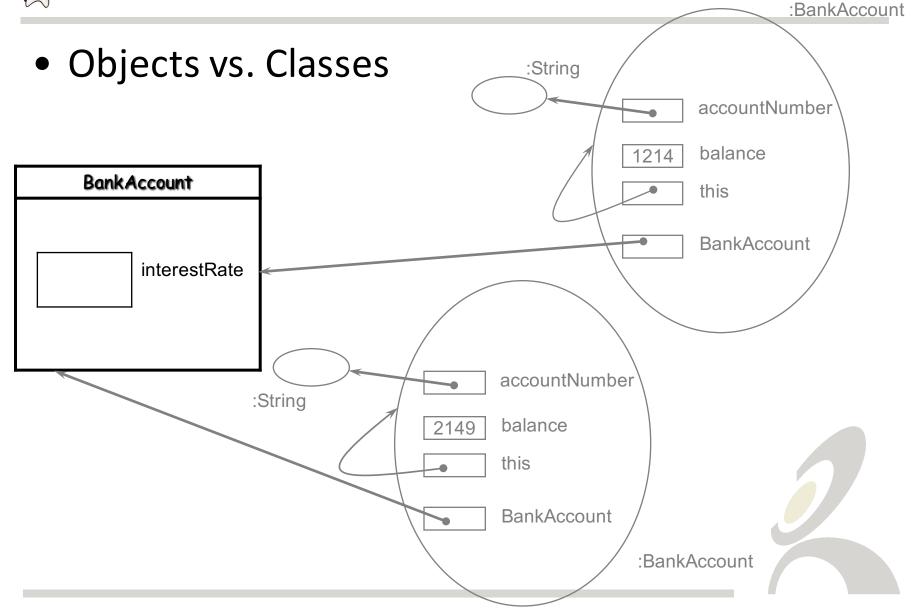
Class variable & class methods

BankAccount

- -balance:int
- -accountNumber:String
- -interestRate:int
- + deposit(int amount):void
- + withdraw(int amout):void
- +queryBalance():int
- + getAccountNumber():String
- + setInterestRate(int rate):void
- + getInterestRate():int

Objects vs. Classes

- In the real world, the classes are not themselves the objects that they describe
 - A blueprint of a bank account is not a bank account.
- Classes contain :
 - description of the ≠ variables and methods;
 - values of the class variables;
 - link to their superclass.
- Objects contain :
 - the actual value of the instance variables;
 - a link to their class type





Definition

- Structure holding multiple values (same type)
- Length established when created and fixed
- Array element is one of value
- Array element is accessed by it position



An array is like a tray of cups

Declare an int array variable. An array variable is a remote control to an array object.

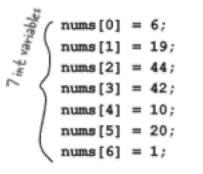
int[] nums;

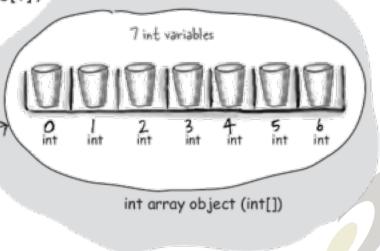
Oreate a new int array with a length of 7, and assign it to the previouslydeclared int[] variable nums

nums = new int[7];

Give each element in the array an int value.

Remember, elements in an int array are just int variables.





Notice that the array itself is an object, even though the 7 elements are primitives.



Make an array of Pogs

- Declare a Dog array variable

 Dog[] pets;
- Create a new Dog array with a length of 7, and assign it to the previously-declared Dog[] variable pets

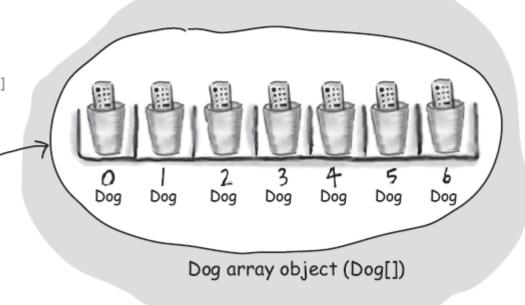
pets = new Dog[7];

pets

Dog[]

What's missing?

Dogs! We have an array of Dog references, but no actual Dog objects!





Create new Dog objects, and assign them to the array elements.

Remember, elements in a Dog array are just Dog reference variables. We still need Dogs!

```
pets[0] = new Dog();
pets[1] = new Dog();
```

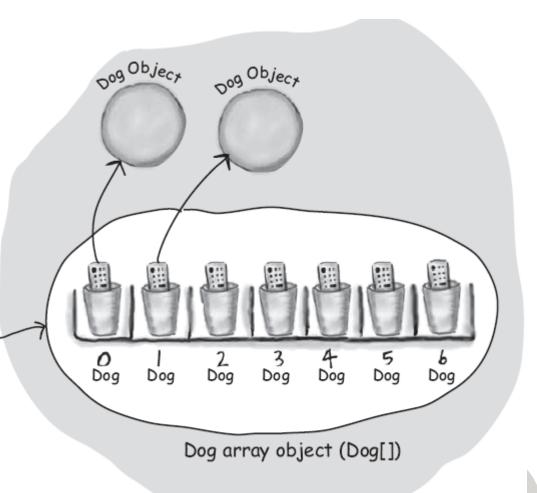
pets

Dog[]

Sharpen your pencil

What is the current value of pets[2]? _____

What code would make pets[3] refer to one of the two existing Dog objects?





Creating and Using Arrays

```
public class ArrayDemo {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
 int[] anArray;
 anArray = new int[10];
 for (int i = 0; i < anArray.length; i++) {</pre>
  anArray[i] = i;
  System.out.print(anArray[i] + " ");
 System.out.println();
```



- Getting the Size of an Array
 - anArray.length
- Array Initializers
 - boolean[] answers = {true, false, true, true};





Questions ??



