

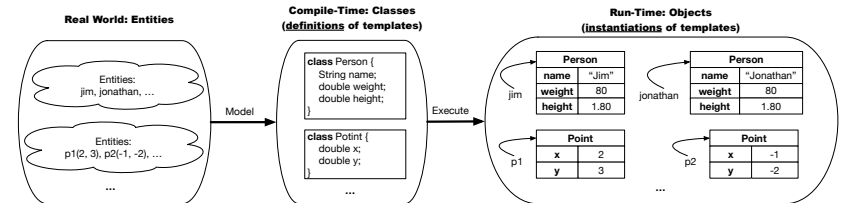
Classes and Objects



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Object Orientation: Observe, Model, and Execute



- o Study this tutorial video that walks you through the idea of **object orientation**.
- o We **observe** how real-world *entities* behave.
- o We **model** the common *attributes* and *behaviour* of a set of entities in a single *class*.
- o We **execute** the program by creating *instances* of classes, which interact in a way analogous to that of real-world *entities*.

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Separation of Concerns: Model vs. Controller/Tester



- So far we have developed:
 - o **Model**: A single Java class (e.g., *Person*).
 - o Another Java class that "manipulates" the model class (by creating instances and calling methods):
 - **Controller** (e.g., *BMIActivity*): effects seen at connected tablet
 - **Tester** (e.g., *PersonTester*): effects seen at console
- In Java:
 - o We may define more than one *model classes*
 - o Each class may contain more than one *methods*
- **object-oriented programming** in Java:
 - o Use **classes** to define templates
 - o Use **objects** to instantiate classes
 - o At *runtime*, *create* objects and *call* methods on objects, to *simulate interactions* between real-life entities.

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Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)



- In real life, lots of **entities** exist and interact with each other.
 - e.g., *People* gain/lose weight, marry/divorce, or get older.
 - e.g., *Cars* move from one point to another.
 - e.g., *Clients* initiate transactions with banks.
- Entities:
 - o Possess *attributes*;
 - o Exhibit *behaviour*; and
 - o Interact with each other.
- Goals: Solve problems *programmatically* by
 - o *Classifying* entities of interest
Entities in the same class share *common* attributes and behaviour.
 - o *Manipulating* data that represent these entities
Each entity is represented by *specific* values.

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OO Thinking: Templates vs. Instances (1.1)



A person is a being, such as a human, that has certain attributes and behaviour constituting personhood: a person ages and grows on their heights and weights.

- A template called `Person` defines the common
 - **attributes** (e.g., age, weight, height) [≈ nouns]
 - **behaviour** (e.g., get older, gain weight) [≈ verbs]

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OO Thinking: Templates vs. Instances (2.1)



Points on a two-dimensional plane are identified by their signed distances from the X- and Y-axes. A point may move arbitrarily towards any direction on the plane. Given two points, we are often interested in knowing the distance between them.

- A template called `Point` defines the common
 - **attributes** (e.g., x, y) [≈ nouns]
 - **behaviour** (e.g., move up, get distance from) [≈ verbs]

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OO Thinking: Templates vs. Instances (1.2)



- Persons share these common *attributes* and *behaviour*.
 - Each person possesses an age, a weight, and a height.
 - Each person's age, weight, and height might be *distinct*
e.g., jim is 50-years old, 1.8-meters tall and 80-kg heavy
e.g., jonathan is 65-years old, 1.73-meters tall and 90-kg heavy
- Each person, depending on the **specific values** of their attributes, might exhibit *distinct* behaviour:
 - When jim gets older, he becomes 51
 - When jonathan gets older, he becomes 66.
 - jim's BMI is based on his own height and weight $\left[\frac{80}{1.8^2}\right]$
 - jonathan's BMI is based on his own height and weight $\left[\frac{90}{1.73^2}\right]$

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OO Thinking: Templates vs. Instances (2.2)



- Points share these common *attributes* and *behaviour*.
 - Each point possesses an x-coordinate and a y-coordinate.
 - Each point's location might be *distinct*
e.g., p1 is located at (3, 4)
e.g., p2 is located at (-4, -3)
- Each point, depending on the **specific values** of their attributes (i.e., locations), might exhibit *distinct* behaviour:
 - When p1 moves up for 1 unit, it will end up being at (3, 5)
 - When p2 moves up for 1 unit, it will end up being at (-4, -2)
 - Then, p1's distance from origin: $\left[\sqrt{3^2 + 5^2}\right]$
 - Then, p2's distance from origin: $\left[\sqrt{(-4)^2 + (-2)^2}\right]$

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OO Thinking: Templates vs. Instances (3)



- A **template** defines what's **shared** by a set of related entities.
 - Common **attributes** (age in Person, x in Point)
 - Common **behaviour** (get older for Person, move up for Point)
- Each template may be **instantiated** into multiple instances.
 - Person instances: jim and jonathan
 - Point instances: p1 and p2
- Each **instance** may have **specific values** for the attributes.
 - Each Person instance has an age:
jim is 50-years old, jonathan is 65-years old
 - Each Point instance has a location:
p1 is at (3,4), p2 is at (-3,-4)
- Therefore, instances of the same template may exhibit **distinct behaviour**.
 - Each Person instance can get older: jim getting older from 50 to 51; jonathan getting older from 65 to 66.
 - Each Point instance can move up: p1 moving up from (3,3) results in (3,4); p1 moving up from (-3,-4) results in (-3,-3).

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OOP: Define Constructors for Creating Objects (1.1)



- Within class Point, you define **constructors**, specifying how instances of the Point template may be created.

```
public class Point {  
    ... /* attributes: x, y */  
    Point(double newX, double newY) {  
        x = newX;  
        y = newY; } }  
}
```

- In the corresponding tester class, each **call** to the Point constructor creates an instance of the Point template.

```
public class PointTester {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Point p1 = new Point(2, 4);  
        println(p1.x + " " + p1.y);  
        Point p2 = new Point(-4, -3);  
        println(p2.x + " " + p2.y); } }  
}
```

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OOP: Classes \approx Templates



In Java, you use a **class** to define a **template** that enumerates **attributes** that are common to a set of **entities** of interest.

```
public class Person {  
    int age;  
    String nationality;  
    double weight;  
    double height;  
}
```

```
public class Point {  
    double x;  
    double y;  
}
```

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OOP: Define Constructors for Creating Objects (1.2)

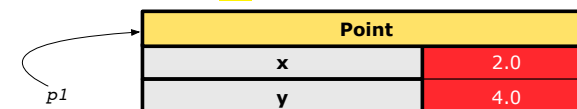


```
Point p1 = new Point(2, 4);
```

1. **RHS (Source) of Assignment:** `new Point(2, 4)` creates a new **Point object** in memory.

Point	
x	2.0
y	4.0

2. **LHS (Target) of Assignment:** `Point p1` declares a **variable** that is meant to store the **address** of **some Point object**.
3. **Assignment:** Executing `=` stores new object's address in p1.



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OOP: Define Constructors for Creating Objects (2.1)

- Within class `Person`, you define **constructors**, specifying how instances of the `Person` template may be created.

```
public class Person {
    ... /* attributes: age, nationality, weight, height */
    Person(int newAge, String newNationality) {
        age = newAge;
        nationality = newNationality; } }
```

- In the corresponding tester class, each **call** to the `Person` constructor creates an instance of the `Person` template.

```
public class PersonTester {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Person jim = new Person(50, "British");
        println(jim.nationality + " " + jim.age);
        Person jonathan = new Person(60, "Canadian");
        println(jonathan.nationality + " " + jonathan.age); } }
```

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Visualizing Objects at Runtime (1)

- To trace a program with sophisticated manipulations of objects, it's critical for you to visualize how objects are:
 - Created using **constructors**

```
Person jim = new Person(50, "British", 80, 1.8);
```
 - Inquired using **accessor methods**

```
double bmi = jim.getBMI();
```
 - Modified using **mutator methods**

```
jim.gainWeightBy(10);
```
- To visualize an object:
 - Draw a **rectangle box** to represent **contents** of that object:
 - Title** indicates the *name of class* from which the object is instantiated.
 - Left column** enumerates *names of attributes* of the instantiated class.
 - Right column** fills in *values* of the corresponding attributes.
 - Draw **arrow(s)** for *variable(s)* that store the object's **address**.

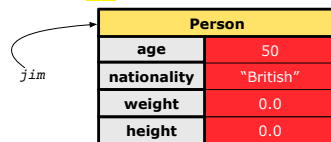
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OOP: Define Constructors for Creating Objects (2.2)

```
Person jim = new Person(50, "British");
```

- RHS (Source) of Assignment:** `new Person(50, "British")` creates a new *Person object* in memory.

Person	
age	50
nationality	"British"
weight	0.0
height	0.0
- LHS (Target) of Assignment:** `Person jim` declares a *variable* that is meant to store the *address of some Person object*.
- Assignment:** Executing `=` stores new object's address in `jim`.

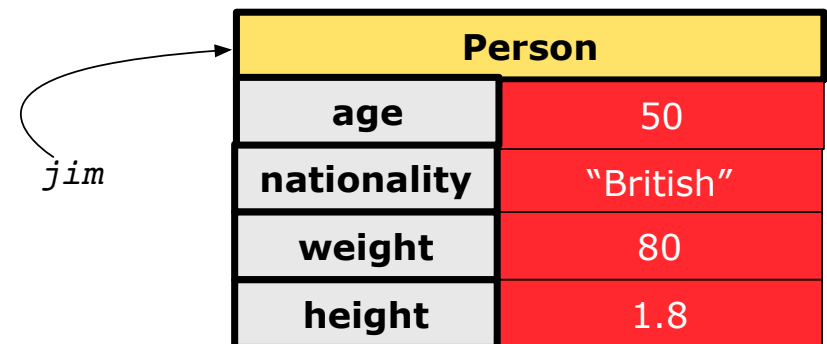


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Visualizing Objects at Runtime (2.1)

After calling a **constructor** to create an object:

```
Person jim = new Person(50, "British", 80, 1.8);
```



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Visualizing Objects at Runtime (2.2)



After calling an *accessor* to inquire about context object *jim*:

```
double bmi = jim.getBMI();
```

- Contents of the object pointed to by *jim* remain intact.
- Returned value $\frac{80}{(1.8)^2}$ of *jim.getBMI()* stored in variable *bmi*.

Person	
age	50
nationality	"British"
weight	80
height	1.8

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Visualizing Objects at Runtime (2.4)



After calling the same *accessor* to inquire the *modified* state of context object *jim*:

```
bmi = p.getBMI();
```

- Contents of the object pointed to by *jim* remain intact.
- Returned value $\frac{90}{(1.8)^2}$ of *jim.getBMI()* stored in variable *bmi*.

Person	
age	50
nationality	"British"
weight	80 90
height	1.8

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Visualizing Objects at Runtime (2.3)



After calling a *mutator* to modify the state of context object *jim*:

```
jim.gainWeightBy(10);
```

- **Contents** of the object pointed to by *jim* change.
- **Address** of the object remains unchanged.
⇒ *jim* points to the same object!

Person	
age	50
nationality	"British"
weight	80 90
height	1.8

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The *this* Reference (1)



- Each *class* may be instantiated to multiple *objects* at runtime.

```
class Point {  
    double x; double y;  
    void moveUp(double units) { y += units; }  
}
```

- Each time when we call a method of some class, using the dot notation, there is a specific *target/context* object.

```
1 Point p1 = new Point(2, 3);  
2 Point p2 = new Point(4, 6);  
3 p1.moveUp(3.5);  
4 p2.moveUp(4.7);
```

- *p1* and *p2* are called the **call targets** or **context objects**.
- **Lines 3 and 4** apply the same definition of the `moveUp` method.
- But how does Java distinguish the change to *p1.y* versus the change to *p2.y*?

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The this Reference (2)

- In the *method* definition, each *attribute* has an *implicit* *this* which refers to the **context object** in a call to that method.

```
class Point {
    double x;
    double y;
    Point(double newX, double newY) {
        this.x = newX;
        this.y = newY;
    }
    void moveUp(double units) {
        this.y = this.y + units;
    }
}
```

- Each time when the *class* definition is used to create a new *Point object*, the *this* reference is substituted by the name of the new object.

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The this Reference (4)

- After we create *p2* as an instance of *Point*

```
Point p2 = new Point(4, 6);
```

- When invoking *p2.moveUp(4.7)*, a version of *moveUp* that is specific to *p2* will be used:

```
class Point {
    double x;
    double y;
    Point(double newX, double newY) {
        p2.x = newX;
        p2.y = newY;
    }
    void moveUp(double units) {
        p2.y = p2.y + units;
    }
}
```

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The this Reference (3)

- After we create *p1* as an instance of *Point*

```
Point p1 = new Point(2, 3);
```

- When invoking *p1.moveUp(3.5)*, a version of *moveUp* that is specific to *p1* will be used:

```
class Point {
    double x;
    double y;
    Point(double newX, double newY) {
        p1.x = newX;
        p1.y = newY;
    }
    void moveUp(double units) {
        p1.y = p1.y + units;
    }
}
```

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The this Reference (5)

The *this* reference can be used to **disambiguate** when the names of *input parameters* clash with the names of *class attributes*.

```
class Point {
    double x;
    double y;
    Point(double x, double y) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
    }
    void setX(double x) {
        this.x = x;
    }
    void setY(double y) {
        this.y = y;
    }
}
```

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The this Reference (6.1): Common Error



The following code fragment compiles but is problematic:

```
class Person {
    String name;
    int age;
    Person(String name, int age) {
        name = name;
        age = age;
    }
    void setAge(int age) {
        age = age;
    }
}
```

Why? Fix?

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The this Reference (6.2): Common Error



Always remember to use `this` when *input parameter* names clash with *class attribute* names.

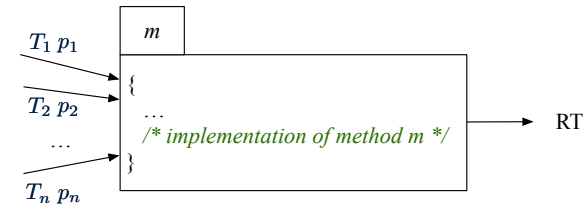
```
class Person {
    String name;
    int age;
    Person(String name, int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    }
    void setAge(int age) {
        this.age = age;
    }
}
```

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OOP: Methods (1.1)



- A **method** is a named block of code, *reusable* via its name.



- The *Signature* of a method consists of:
 - Return type [*RT* (which can be void)]
 - Name of method [*m*]
 - Zero or more *parameter names* [*p*₁, *p*₂, ..., *p*_{*n*}]
 - The corresponding *parameter types* [*T*₁, *T*₂, ..., *T*_{*n*}]
- A call to method *m* has the form: *m*(*a*₁, *a*₂, ..., *a*_{*n*})
Types of *argument values* *a*₁, *a*₂, ..., *a*_{*n*} must match the the corresponding parameter types *T*₁, *T*₂, ..., *T*_{*n*}.

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OOP: Methods (1.2)



- In the body of the method, you may
 - Declare and use new *local variables*
 - Scope** of local variables is only within that method.
 - Use or change values of *attributes*.
 - Use values of *parameters*, if any.

```
class Person {
    String nationality;
    void changeNationality(String newNationality) {
        nationality = newNationality; } }
```

- Call a method**, with a **context object**, by passing *arguments*.

```
class PersonTester {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Person jim = new Person(50, "British");
        Person jonathan = new Person(60, "Canadian");
        jim.changeNationality("Korean");
        jonathan.changeNationality("Korean"); } }
```

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OOP: Methods (2)

- Each **class** `C` defines a list of methods.
 - A **method** `m` is a named block of code.
- We **reuse** the code of method `m` by calling it on an **object** `obj` of class `C`.
 - For each **method call** `obj.m(...)`:
 - `obj` is the **context object** of type `C`
 - `m` is a method defined in class `C`
 - We intend to apply the **code effect of method** `m` to object `obj`.
e.g., `jim.getOlder()` vs. `jonathan.getOlder()`
e.g., `p1.moveUp(3)` vs. `p2.moveUp(3)`
- All objects of class `C` share **the same definition** of method `m`.
- However:
 - \therefore Each object may have **distinct attribute values**.
 - \therefore Applying **the same definition** of method `m` has **distinct effects**.

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OOP: The Dot Notation (1)

- A binary operator:
 - LHS** an object
 - RHS** an attribute or a method
- Given a **variable** of some **reference type** that is **not null**:
 - We use a dot to retrieve any of its **attributes**.
Analogous to 's in English
e.g., `jim.nationality` means jim's nationality
 - We use a dot to invoke any of its **mutator methods**, in order to **change** values of its attributes.
e.g., `jim.changeNationality("CAN")` changes the nationality attribute of jim
 - We use a dot to invoke any of its **accessor methods**, in order to **use** the result of some computation on its attribute values.
e.g., `jim.getBMI()` computes and returns the BMI calculated based on jim's weight and height
 - Return value of an **accessor method** must be stored in a variable.
e.g., `double jimBMI = jim.getBMI()`

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OOP: Methods (3)

- Constructor**
 - Same name as the class. No return type. **Initializes** attributes.
 - Called with the **new** keyword.
 - e.g., `Person jim = new Person(50, "British");`
- Mutator**
 - Changes** (re-assigns) attributes
 - `void` return type
 - Cannot be used when a value is expected
 - e.g., `double h = jim.setHeight(78.5)` is illegal!
- Accessor**
 - Uses** attributes for computations (without changing their values)
 - Any return type other than `void`
 - An explicit **return statement** (typically at the end of the method) returns the computation result to where the method is being used.
e.g., `double bmi = jim.getBMI();`
e.g., `println(p1.getDistanceFromOrigin());`

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OOP: Method Calls

```

1 Point p1 = new Point (3, 4);
2 Point p2 = new Point (-6, -8);
3 System.out.println(p1.getDistanceFromOrigin());
4 System.out.println(p2.getDistanceFromOrigin());
5 p1.moveUp(2);
6 p2.moveUp(2);
7 System.out.println(p1.getDistanceFromOrigin());
8 System.out.println(p2.getDistanceFromOrigin());

```

- Lines 1 and 2** create two different instances of `Point`
- Lines 3 and 4**: invoking the same accessor method on two different instances returns **distinct** values
- Lines 5 and 6**: invoking the same mutator method on two different instances results in **independent** changes
- Lines 3 and 7**: invoking the same accessor method on the same instance **may** return **distinct** values, why?

Line 5

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OOP: Class Constructors (1)



- The purpose of defining a *class* is to be able to create *instances* out of it.
- To *instantiate* a class, we use one of its **constructors**.
- A constructor
 - declares input *parameters*
 - uses input parameters to *initialize* **some or all** of its *attributes*

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OOP: Class Constructors (3)



```
public class Point {
    double x;
    double y;

    Point(double initX, double initY) {
        x = initX;
        y = initY;
    }

    Point(char axis, double distance) {
        if (axis == 'x') { x = distance; }
        else if (axis == 'y') { y = distance; }
        else { System.out.println("Error: invalid axis."); }
    }
}
```

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OOP: Class Constructors (2)



```
public class Person {
    int age;
    String nationality;
    double weight;
    double height;
    Person(int initAge, String initNat) {
        age = initAge;
        nationality = initNat;
    }
    Person (double initW, double initH) {
        weight = initW;
        height = initH;
    }
    Person(int initAge, String initNat,
           double initW, double initH) {
        ... /* initialize all attributes using the parameters */
    }
}
```

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OOP: Class Constructors (4)



- For each *class*, you may define **one or more constructors**:
 - *Names* of all constructors must match the class name.
 - *No return types* need to be specified for constructors.
 - Each constructor must have a *distinct* list of *input parameter types*.
 - Each *parameter* that is used to initialize an attribute must have a *matching type*.
 - The *body* of each constructor specifies how **some or all** *attributes* may be *initialized*.

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OOP: Object Creation (1)



```
Point p1 = new Point(2, 4);
System.out.println(p1);
```

```
Point@677327b6
```

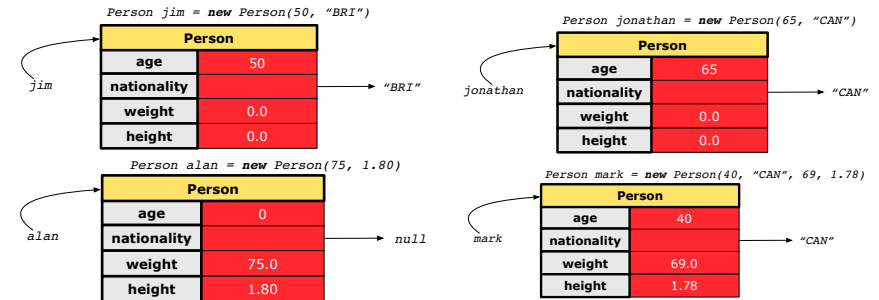
By default, the address stored in `p1` gets printed.
Instead, print out attributes separately:

```
System.out.println("(" + p1.x + ", " + p1.y + ")");
```

```
(2.0, 4.0)
```

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OOP: Object Creation (3)



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OOP: Object Creation (2)



A constructor may only *initialize* some attributes and leave others *uninitialized*.

```
public class PersonTester {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        /* initialize age and nationality only */
        Person jim = new Person(50, "BRI");
        /* initialize age and nationality only */
        Person jonathan = new Person(65, "CAN");
        /* initialize weight and height only */
        Person alan = new Person(75, 1.80);
        /* initialize all attributes of a person */
        Person mark = new Person(40, "CAN", 69, 1.78);
    }
}
```

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OOP: Object Creation (4)

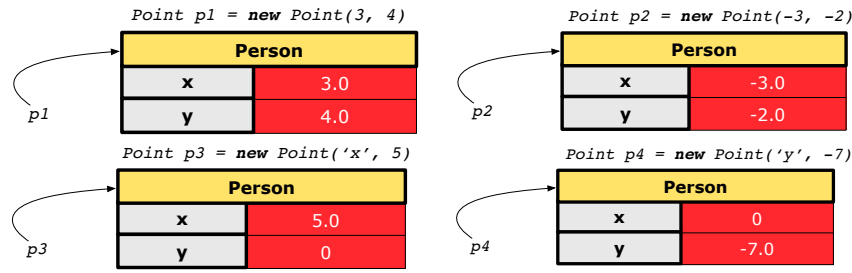


A constructor may only *initialize* some attributes and leave others *uninitialized*.

```
public class PointTester {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Point p1 = new Point(3, 4);
        Point p2 = new Point(-3 -2);
        Point p3 = new Point('x', 5);
        Point p4 = new Point('y', -7);
    }
}
```

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OOP: Object Creation (5)



OOP: Mutator Methods

- These methods *change* values of attributes.
- We call such methods **mutators** (with `void` return type).

```
public class Person {  
    ...  
    void gainWeight(double units) {  
        weight = weight + units;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Point {  
    ...  
    void moveUp() {  
        y = y + 1;  
    }  
}
```

OOP: Object Creation (6)

- When using the constructor, pass **valid argument values**:
 - The type of each argument value must match the corresponding parameter type.
 - e.g., `Person(50, "BRI")` matches `Person(int initAge, String initNationality)`
 - e.g., `Point(3, 4)` matches `Point(double initX, double initY)`
- When creating an instance, **uninitialized** attributes implicitly get assigned the **default values**.
 - Set **uninitialized** attributes properly later using **mutator** methods

```
Person jim = new Person(50, "British");  
jim.setWeight(85);  
jim.setHeight(1.81);
```

OOP: Accessor Methods

- These methods *return* the result of computation based on attribute values.
- We call such methods **accessors** (with non-void return type).

```
public class Person {  
    ...  
    double getBMI() {  
        double bmi = height / (weight * weight);  
        return bmi;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Point {  
    ...  
    double getDistanceFromOrigin() {  
        double dist = Math.sqrt(x*x + y*y);  
        return dist;  
    }  
}
```

OOP: Use of Mutator vs. Accessor Methods



- Calls to **mutator methods** *cannot* be used as values.
 - e.g., `System.out.println(jim.setWeight(78.5));` ×
 - e.g., `double w = jim.setWeight(78.5);` ×
 - e.g., `jim.setWeight(78.5);` ✓
- Calls to **accessor methods** *should* be used as values.
 - e.g., `jim.getBMI();` ×
 - e.g., `System.out.println(jim.getBMI());` ✓
 - e.g., `double w = jim.getBMI();` ✓

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OOP: Object Alias (1)



```
1 int i = 3;
2 int j = i; System.out.println(i == j); /* true */
3 int k = 3; System.out.println(k == i && k == j); /* true */
```

- **Line 2** copies the number stored in `i` to `j`.
- **After Line 4**, `i`, `j`, `k` refer to three separate integer placeholder, which happen to store the same value 3.

```
1 Point p1 = new Point(2, 3);
2 Point p2 = p1; System.out.println(p1 == p2); /* true */
3 Point p3 = new Point(2, 3);
4 System.out.println(p3 == p1 || p3 == p2); /* false */
5 System.out.println(p3.x == p1.x && p3.y == p1.y); /* true */
6 System.out.println(p3.x == p2.x && p3.y == p2.y); /* true */
```

- **Line 2** copies the **address** stored in `p1` to `p2`.
- Both `p1` and `p2` refer to the same object in memory!
- `p3`, whose **contents** are same as `p1` and `p2`, refer to a different object in memory.

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OOP: Method Parameters



- **Principle 1:** A **constructor** needs an *input parameter* for every attribute that you wish to initialize.
e.g., `Person(double w, double h)` vs.
`Person(String fName, String lName)`
- **Principle 2:** A **mutator** method needs an *input parameter* for every attribute that you wish to modify.
e.g., `In Point, void moveToXAxis()` vs.
`void moveUpBy(double unit)`
- **Principle 3:** An **accessor method** needs *input parameters* if the attributes alone are not sufficient for the intended computation to complete.
e.g., `In Point, double getDistFromOrigin()` vs.
`double getDistFrom(Point other)`

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OO Program Programming: Object Alias (2.1)



Problem: Consider assignments to **primitive** variables:

```
1 int i1 = 1;
2 int i2 = 2;
3 int i3 = 3;
4 int[] numbers1 = {i1, i2, i3};
5 int[] numbers2 = new int[numbers1.length];
6 for(int i = 0; i < numbers1.length; i++) {
7     numbers2[i] = numbers1[i];
8 }
9 numbers1[0] = 4;
10 System.out.println(numbers1[0]);
11 System.out.println(numbers2[0]);
```

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OO Program Programming: Object Alias (2.2)



Problem: Consider assignments to **reference** variables:

```
1 Person alan = new Person("Alan");
2 Person mark = new Person("Mark");
3 Person tom = new Person("Tom");
4 Person jim = new Person("Jim");
5 Person[] persons1 = {alan, mark, tom};
6 Person[] persons2 = new Person[persons1.length];
7 for(int i = 0; i < persons1.length; i++) {
8     persons2[i] = persons1[i]; }
9 persons1[0].setAge(70);
10 System.out.println(jim.age);
11 System.out.println(alan.age);
12 System.out.println(persons2[0].age);
13 persons1[0] = jim;
14 persons1[0].setAge(75);
15 System.out.println(jim.age);
16 System.out.println(alan.age);
17 System.out.println(persons2[0].age);
```

Java Data Types (1)



A (data) type denotes a set of related **runtime values**.

1. **Primitive Types**

- o **Integer** Type
 - int [set of 32-bit integers]
 - long [set of 64-bit integers]
- o **Floating-Point Number** Type
 - double [set of 64-bit FP numbers]
- o **Character** Type
 - char [set of single characters]
- o **Boolean** Type
 - boolean [set of true and false]

2. **Reference Type**: **Complex Type with Attributes and Methods**

- o **String** [set of references to character sequences]
- o **Person** [set of references to Person objects]
- o **Point** [set of references to Point objects]
- o **Scanner** [set of references to Scanner objects]

Java Data Types (2)



- A variable that is declared with a **type** but **uninitialized** is implicitly assigned with its **default value**.
 - o **Primitive Type**
 - int i; [0 is implicitly assigned to i]
 - double d; [0.0 is implicitly assigned to d]
 - boolean b; [false is implicitly assigned to b]
 - o **Reference Type**
 - String s; [null is implicitly assigned to s]
 - Person jim; [null is implicitly assigned to jim]
 - Point p1; [null is implicitly assigned to p1]
 - Scanner input; [null is implicitly assigned to input]
- You **can** use a primitive variable that is **uninitialized**.
Make sure the **default value** is what you want!
- Calling a method on a **uninitialized** reference variable crashes your program. [**NullPointerException**]
Always initialize **reference** variables!

Java Data Types (3.1)



- An attribute may store the reference to some object.

```
class Person { Person spouse; }
```
- Methods may take as **parameters** references to other objects.

```
class Person { void marry(Person other) { ... } }
```

- **Return values** from methods may be references to other objects.

```
class Point { void moveUpBy(int i) { y = y + i; } Point movedUpBy(int i) { Point np = new Point(x, y); np.moveUp(i); return np; } }
```

Java Data Types (3.2.1)

An attribute may be of type `Point[]`, storing references to Point objects.

```

1 class PointCollector {
2     Point[] points; int nop; /* number of points */
3     PointCollector() { points = new Point[100]; }
4     void addPoint(double x, double y) {
5         points[nop] = new Point(x, y); nop++; }
6     Point[] getPointsInQuadrantI() {
7         Point[] ps = new Point[nop];
8         int count = 0; /* number of points in Quadrant I */
9         for(int i = 0; i < nop; i++) {
10            Point p = points[i];
11            if(p.x > 0 && p.y > 0) { ps[count] = p; count++; } }
12        Point[] q1Points = new Point[count];
13        /* ps contains null if count < nop */
14        for(int i = 0; i < count; i++) { q1Points[i] = ps[i] }
15        return q1Points;
16    } }

```

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Required Reading: Point and PointCollector

Java Data Types (3.3.1)

An attribute may be of type `ArrayList<Point>`, storing references to Point objects.

```

1 class PointCollector {
2     ArrayList<Point> points;
3     PointCollector() { points = new ArrayList<>(); }
4     void addPoint(Point p) {
5         points.add(p); }
6     void addPoint(double x, double y) {
7         points.add(new Point(x, y)); }
8     ArrayList<Point> getPointsInQuadrantI() {
9         ArrayList<Point> q1Points = new ArrayList<>();
10        for(int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++) {
11            Point p = points.get(i);
12            if(p.x > 0 && p.y > 0) { q1Points.add(p); } }
13        return q1Points;
14    } }

```

L8 & L9 may be replaced by:

```

for(Point p : points) { q1Points.add(p); }

```

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Java Data Types (3.2.2)

```

1 class PointCollectorTester {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3         PointCollector pc = new PointCollector();
4         System.out.println(pc.nop); /* 0 */
5         pc.addPoint(3, 4);
6         System.out.println(pc.nop); /* 1 */
7         pc.addPoint(-3, 4);
8         System.out.println(pc.nop); /* 2 */
9         pc.addPoint(-3, -4);
10        System.out.println(pc.nop); /* 3 */
11        pc.addPoint(3, -4);
12        System.out.println(pc.nop); /* 4 */
13        Point[] ps = pc.getPointsInQuadrantI();
14        System.out.println(ps.length); /* 1 */
15        System.out.println("(" + ps[0].x + ", " + ps[0].y + ")");
16        /* (3, 4) */
17    }
18 }

```

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Java Data Types (3.3.2)

```

1 class PointCollectorTester {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3         PointCollector pc = new PointCollector();
4         System.out.println(pc.points.size()); /* 0 */
5         pc.addPoint(3, 4);
6         System.out.println(pc.points.size()); /* 1 */
7         pc.addPoint(-3, 4);
8         System.out.println(pc.points.size()); /* 2 */
9         pc.addPoint(-3, -4);
10        System.out.println(pc.points.size()); /* 3 */
11        pc.addPoint(3, -4);
12        System.out.println(pc.points.size()); /* 4 */
13        ArrayList<Point> ps = pc.getPointsInQuadrantI();
14        System.out.println(ps.length); /* 1 */
15        System.out.println("(" + ps[0].x + ", " + ps[0].y + ")");
16        /* (3, 4) */
17    }
18 }

```

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The this Reference (7.1): Exercise



Consider the Person class

```
class Person {
    String name;
    Person spouse;
    Person(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }
}
```

How do you implement a mutator method `marry` which marries the current Person object to an input Person object?

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The this Reference (7.2): Exercise



```
void marry(Person other) {
    if(this.spouse != null || other.spouse != null) {
        System.out.println("Error: both must be single.");
    }
    else { this.spouse = other; other.spouse = this; }
}
```

When we call `jim.marry(elsa)`: `this` is substituted by the call target `jim`, and `other` is substituted by the argument `elsa`.

```
void marry(Person other) {
    ...
    jim.spouse = elsa;
    elsa.spouse = jim;
}
```

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OOP: The Dot Notation (2)



- LHS of dot **can be more complicated than a variable**:

- It can be a **path** that brings you to an object

```
class Person {
    String name;
    Person spouse;
}
```

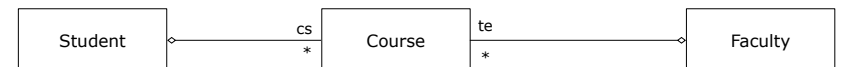
- Say we have `Person jim = new Person("Jim Davies")`
- Inquire about jim's name? [jim.name]
- Inquire about jim's spouse's name? [jim.spouse.name]
- But what if jim is single (i.e., `jim.spouse == null`)?
Calling `jim.spouse.name` will trigger **NullPointerException**!!
- Assuming that:
 - jim is not single. [jim.spouse != null]
 - The marriage is mutual. [jim.spouse.spouse != null]
- What does `jim.spouse.spouse.name` mean? [jim.name]

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OOP: The Dot Notation (3.1)



In real life, the relationships among classes are sophisticated.



```
class Student {
    String id;
    ArrayList<Course> cs;
}
```

```
class Course {
    String title;
    Faculty prof;
}
```

```
class Faculty {
    String name;
    ArrayList<Course> te;
}
```

Aggregation links between classes constrain how you can **navigate** among these classes.

e.g., In the context of class `Student`:

- Writing `cs` denotes the list of registered courses.
- Writing `cs[i]` (where `i` is a valid index) navigates to the class `Course`, which changes the context to class `Course`.

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OOP: The Dot Notation (3.2)



```
class Student {
    String id;
    ArrayList<Course> cs;
}
```

```
class Course {
    String title;
    Faculty prof;
}
```

```
class Faculty {
    String name;
    ArrayList<Course> te;
}
```

```
class Student {
    ... /* attributes */
    /* Get the student's id */
    String getID() { return this.id; }
    /* Get the title of the ith course */
    String getCourseTitle(int i) {
        return this.cs.get(i).title;
    }
    /* Get the instructor's name of the ith course */
    String getInstructorName(int i) {
        return this.cs.get(i).prof.name;
    }
}
```

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OOP: The Dot Notation (3.4)



```
class Student {
    String id;
    ArrayList<Course> cs;
}
```

```
class Course {
    String title;
    Faculty prof;
}
```

```
class Faculty {
    String name;
    ArrayList<Course> te;
}
```

```
class Faculty {
    ... /* attributes */
    /* Get the instructor's name */
    String getName() {
        return this.name;
    }
    /* Get the title of ith teaching course */
    String getCourseTitle(int i) {
        return this.te.get(i).title;
    }
}
```

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OOP: The Dot Notation (3.3)



```
class Student {
    String id;
    ArrayList<Course> cs;
}
```

```
class Course {
    String title;
    Faculty prof;
}
```

```
class Faculty {
    String name;
    ArrayList<Course> te;
}
```

```
class Course {
    ... /* attributes */
    /* Get the course's title */
    String getTitle() { return this.title; }
    /* Get the instructor's name */
    String getInstructorName() {
        return this.prof.name;
    }
    /* Get title of ith teaching course of the instructor */
    String getCourseTitleOfInstructor(int i) {
        return this.prof.te.get(i).title;
    }
}
```

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OOP: Equality (1)



```
Point p1 = new Point(2, 3);
Point p2 = new Point(2, 3);
boolean sameLoc = (p1 == p2);
System.out.println("p1 and p2 same location?" + sameLoc);
```

```
p1 and p2 same location? false
```

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OOP: Equality (2)

- Recall that
 - A **primitive** variable stores a primitive *value*
e.g., `double d1 = 7.5; double d2 = 7.5;`
 - A **reference** variable stores the *address* to some object (rather than storing the object itself)
e.g., `Point p1 = new Point(2, 3)` assigns to `p1` the address of the new `Point` object
e.g., `Point p2 = new Point(2, 3)` assigns to `p2` the address of *another* new `Point` object
- The binary operator `==` may be applied to compare:
 - Primitive** variables: their *contents* are compared
e.g., `d1 == d2` evaluates to *true*
 - Reference** variables: the *addresses* they store are compared (**rather than** comparing contents of the objects they refer to)
e.g., `p1 == p2` evaluates to *false* because `p1` and `p2` are addresses of *different* objects, even if their contents are *identical*.

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Static Variables (2)

```
class Account {
    static int globalCounter = 1;
    int id; String owner;
    Account(String owner) {
        this.id = globalCounter; globalCounter++;
        this.owner = owner; } }

```

```
class AccountTester {
    Account acc1 = new Account("Jim");
    Account acc2 = new Account("Jeremy");
    System.out.println(acc1.id != acc2.id); }

```

- Each instance of a class (e.g., `acc1`, `acc2`) has a *local* copy of each attribute or instance variable (e.g., `id`).
 - Changing `acc1.id` does not affect `acc2.id`.
- A **static** variable (e.g., `globalCounter`) belongs to the class.
 - All instances of the class share a *single* copy of the **static** variable.
 - Change to `globalCounter` via `c1` is also visible to `c2`.

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Static Variables (1)

```
class Account {
    int id;
    String owner;
    Account(int id, String owner) {
        this.id = id;
        this.owner = owner;
    }
}

```

```
class AccountTester {
    Account acc1 = new Account(1, "Jim");
    Account acc2 = new Account(2, "Jeremy");
    System.out.println(acc1.id != acc2.id);
}

```

But, managing the unique id's *manually* is **error-prone** !

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Static Variables (3)

```
class Account {
    static int globalCounter = 1;
    int id; String owner;
    Account(String owner) {
        this.id = globalCounter;
        globalCounter++;
        this.owner = owner;
    } }

```

- Static** variable `globalCounter` is not instance-specific like *instance* variable (i.e., attribute) `id` is.
- To access a **static** variable:
 - No** context object is needed.
 - Use of the class name suffices, e.g., `Account.globalCounter`.
- Each time `Account`'s constructor is called to create a new instance, the increment effect is **visible to all existing objects** of `Account`.

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Static Variables (4.1): Common Error



```
class Client {
    Account[] accounts;
    static int numberOfAccounts = 0;
    void addAccount(Account acc) {
        accounts[numberOfAccounts] = acc;
        numberOfAccounts++;
    }
}
```

```
class ClientTester {
    Client bill = new Client("Bill");
    Client steve = new Client("Steve");
    Account acc1 = new Account();
    Account acc2 = new Account();
    bill.addAccount(acc1);
    /* correctly added to bill.accounts[0] */
    steve.addAccount(acc2);
    /* mistakenly added to steve.accounts[1]! */
}
```

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Static Variables (5.1): Common Error



```
1 public class Bank {
2     public string branchName;
3     public static int nextAccountNumber = 1;
4     public static void useAccountNumber() {
5         System.out.println (branchName + ...);
6         nextAccountNumber++;
7     }
8 }
```

- *Non-static method cannot be referenced from a static context*
- Line 4 declares that we **can** call the method `useAccountNumber` without instantiating an object of the class `Bank`.
- However, in Lined 5, the *static* method references a *non-static* attribute, for which we **must** instantiate a `Bank` object.

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Static Variables (4.2): Common Error



- Attribute `numberOfAccounts` should **not** be declared as `static` as its value should be specific to the client object.
- If it were declared as `static`, then every time the `addAccount` method is called, although on different objects, the increment effect of `numberOfAccounts` will be visible to all `Client` objects.
- Here is the correct version:

```
class Client {
    Account[] accounts;
    int numberOfAccounts = 0;
    void addAccount(Account acc) {
        accounts[numberOfAccounts] = acc;
        numberOfAccounts++;
    }
}
```

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Static Variables (5.2): Common Error



```
1 public class Bank {
2     public string branchName;
3     public static int nextAccountNumber = 1;
4     public static void useAccountNumber() {
5         System.out.println (branchName + ...);
6         nextAccountNumber++;
7     }
8 }
```

- To call `useAccountNumber()`, no instances of `Bank` are required:
`Bank.useAccountNumber();`
- *Contradictorily*, to access `branchName`, a *context object* is required:

```
Bank b1 = new Bank(); b1.setBranch("Songdo IBK");
System.out.println(b1.branchName);
```

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Static Variables (5.3): Common Error



There are two possible ways to fix:

1. Remove all uses of *non-static* variables (i.e., branchName) in the *static* method (i.e., useAccountNumber).
2. Declare branchName as a *static* variable.
 - This does not make sense.
∴ branchName should be a value specific to each Bank instance.

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OOP: Helper (Accessor) Methods (2.1)



```
class PersonCollector {
    Person[] ps;
    final int MAX = 100; /* max # of persons to be stored */
    int nop; /* number of persons */
    PersonCollector() {
        ps = new Person[MAX];
    }
    void addPerson(Person p) {
        ps[nop] = p;
        nop++;
    }
    /* Tasks:
     * 1. An accessor: boolean personExists(String n)
     * 2. A mutator: void changeWeightOf(String n, double w)
     * 3. A mutator: void changeHeightOf(String n, double h)
     */
}
```

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OOP: Helper Methods (1)



- After you complete and test your program, feeling confident that it is *correct*, you may find that there are lots of *repetitions*.
- When similar fragments of code appear in your program, we say that your code “*smells*”!
- We may eliminate *repetitions* of your code by:
 - **Factoring out** recurring code fragments into a new method.
 - This new method is called a **helper method**:
 - You can replace every occurrence of the recurring code fragment by a **call** to this helper method, with appropriate argument values.
 - That is, we **reuse** the body implementation, rather than repeating it over and over again, of this helper method via calls to it.
- This process is called **refactoring** of your code:
Modify the code structure **without** compromising *correctness*.

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OOP: Helper (Accessor) Methods (2.2.1)



```
class PersonCollector {
    /* ps, MAX, nop, PersonCollector(), addPerson */
    boolean personExists(String n) {
        boolean found = false;
        for(int i = 0; i < nop; i++) {
            if(ps[i].name.equals(n)) { found = true; } }
        return found;
    }
    void changeWeightOf(String n, double w) {
        for(int i = 0; i < nop; i++) {
            if(ps[i].name.equals(n)) { ps[i].setWeight(w); } }
    }
    void changeHeightOf(String n, double h) {
        for(int i = 0; i < nop; i++) {
            if(ps[i].name.equals(n)) { ps[i].setHeight(h); } }
    }
}
```

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OOP: Helper (Accessor) Methods (2.2.2)



```
class PersonCollector { /* code smells: repetitions! */
    /* ps, MAX, nop, PersonCollector(), addPerson */
    boolean personExists(String n) {
        boolean found = false;
        for(int i = 0; i < nop; i++) {
            if(ps[i].name.equals(n)) { found = true; } }
        return found;
    }
    void changeWeightOf(String n, double w) {
        for(int i = 0; i < nop; i++) {
            if(ps[i].name.equals(n)) { ps[i].setWeight(w); } }
    }
    void changeHeightOf(String n, double h) {
        for(int i = 0; i < nop; i++) {
            if(ps[i].name.equals(n)) { ps[i].setHeight(h); } }
    }
}
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```

OOP: Helper (Accessor) Methods (3.1)



Problems:

- A Point class with x and y coordinate values.
- Accessor double `getDistanceFromOrigin()`.
`p.getDistanceFromOrigin()` returns the distance between p and (0, 0).
- Accessor double `getDistancesTo(Point p1, Point p2)`.
`p.getDistancesTo(p1, p2)` returns the sum of distances between p and p1, and between p and p2.
- Accessor double `getTriDistances(Point p1, Point p2)`.
`p.getDistancesTo(p1, p2)` returns the sum of distances between p and p1, between p and p2, and between p1 and p2.

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OOP: Helper (Accessor) Methods (2.3)



```
class PersonCollector { /* Eliminate code smell. */
    /* ps, MAX, nop, PersonCollector(), addPerson */
    int indexOf(String n) { /* Helper Methods */
        int i = -1;
        for(int j = 0; j < nop; j++) {
            if(ps[j].name.equals(n)) { i = j; }
        }
        return i; /* -1 if not found; >= 0 if found. */
    }
    boolean personExists(String n) { return indexOf(n) >= 0; }
    void changeWeightOf(String n, double w) {
        int i = indexOf(n); if(i >= 0) { ps[i].setWeight(w); }
    }
    void changeHeightOf(String n, double h) {
        int i = indexOf(n); if(i >= 0) { ps[i].setHeight(h); }
    }
}
}
```

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OOP: Helper (Accessor) Methods (3.2)



```
class Point {
    double x; double y;
    double getDistanceFromOrigin() {
        return Math.sqrt(Math.pow(x - 0, 2) + Math.pow(y - 0, 2)); }
    double getDistancesTo(Point p1, Point p2) {
        return
            Math.sqrt(Math.pow(x - p1.x, 2) + Math.pow(y - p1.y, 2))
            +
            Math.sqrt(Math.pow(x - p2.x, 2) + Math.pow(y - p2.y, 2)); }
    double getTriDistances(Point p1, Point p2) {
        return
            Math.sqrt(Math.pow(x - p1.x, 2) + Math.pow(y - p1.y, 2))
            +
            Math.sqrt(Math.pow(x - p2.x, 2) + Math.pow(y - p2.y, 2))
            +
            Math.sqrt(Math.pow(p1.x - p2.x, 2)
            +
            Math.pow(p1.y - p2.y, 2));
    }
}
```

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OOP: Helper (Accessor) Methods (3.3)



- The code pattern

```
Math.sqrt(Math.pow(... - ..., 2) + Math.pow(... - ..., 2))
```

is written down explicitly every time we need to use it.

- Create a **helper method** out of it, with the right *parameter* and *return* types:

```
double getDistanceFrom(double otherX, double otherY) {  
    return  
        Math.sqrt(Math.pow(otherX - this.x, 2)  
            +  
            Math.pow(otherY - this.y, 2));  
}
```

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OOP: Helper (Mutator) Methods (4.1)



```
class Student {  
    String name;  
    double balance;  
    Student(String n, double b) {  
        name = n;  
        balance = b;  
    }  
  
    /* Tasks:  
    * 1. A mutator void receiveScholarship(double val)  
    * 2. A mutator void payLibraryOverdue(double val)  
    * 3. A mutator void payCafeCoupons(double val)  
    * 4. A mutator void transfer(Student other, double val)  
    */  
}
```

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OOP: Helper (Accessor) Methods (3.4)



```
class Point {  
    double x; double y;  
    double getDistanceFrom(double otherX, double otherY) {  
        return Math.sqrt(Math.pow(otherX - this.x, 2) +  
            Math.pow(otherY - this.y, 2));  
    }  
    double getDistanceFromOrigin() {  
        return this.getDistanceFrom(0, 0);  
    }  
    double getDistancesTo(Point p1, Point p2) {  
        return this.getDistanceFrom(p1.x, p1.y) +  
            this.getDistanceFrom(p2.x, p2.y);  
    }  
    double getTriDistances(Point p1, Point p2) {  
        return this.getDistanceFrom(p1.x, p1.y) +  
            this.getDistanceFrom(p2.x, p2.y) +  
            p1.getDistanceFrom(p2.x, p2.y);  
    }  
}
```

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OOP: Helper (Mutator) Methods (4.2.1)



```
class Student {  
    /* name, balance, Student(String n, double b) */  
    void receiveScholarship(double val) {  
        balance = balance + val;  
    }  
    void payLibraryOverdue(double val) {  
        balance = balance - val;  
    }  
    void payCafeCoupons(double val) {  
        balance = balance - val;  
    }  
    void transfer(Student other, double val) {  
        balance = balance - val;  
        other.balance = other.balance + val;  
    }  
}
```

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OOP: Helper (Mutator) Methods (4.2.2)



```
class Student { /* code smells: repetitions! */
  /* name, balance, Student(String n, double b) */
  void receiveScholarship(double val) {
    balance = balance + val;
  }
  void payLibraryOverdue(double val) {
    balance = balance - val;
  }
  void payCafeCoupons(double val) {
    balance = balance - val;
  }
  void transfer(Student other, double val) {
    balance = balance - val;
    balance = other.balance + val;
  }
}
```

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OOP: Helper (Mutator) Methods (4.3)



```
class Student { /* Eliminate code smell. */
  /* name, balance, Student(String n, double b) */
  void deposit(double val) { /* Helper Method */
    balance = balance + val;
  }
  void withdraw(double val) { /* Helper Method */
    balance = balance - val;
  }
  void receiveScholarship(double val) { this.deposit(val); }
  void payLibraryOverdue(double val) { this.withdraw(val); }
  void payCafeCoupons(double val) { this.withdraw(val); }
  void transfer(Student other, double val) {
    this.withdraw(val);
    other.deposit(val);
  }
}
```

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