

# EECS1022 Programming for Mobile Computing (Winter 2021)

Q&A - Lectures W8

Monday, March 15

If we have time, can you explain why  
the default value for a boolean var is false?

Java

boolean bl = false

bl ~~88~~ . . .  
f

default value

when bl's  
default val.  
is compound

false

0 ≠ 0 → true

with other exp,

std::io. int  
bool

b = true

b = 0

b = 1

b = 2

b = 3

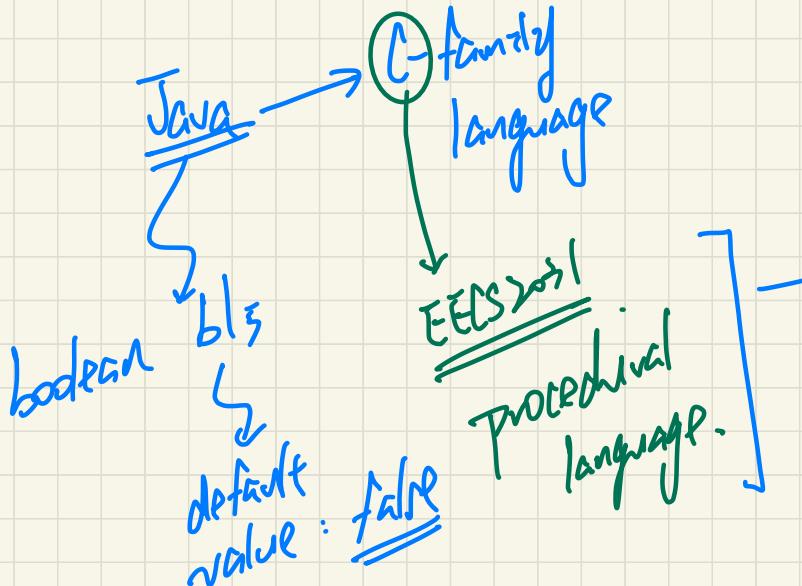
for math

think about

if the

default false

is intended.



Is it a correct conceptually to say that  
reference type data makes use of primitive type data  
in order for the reference type data to  
function and serve its purpose? YES.

class MyApp {  
... main(...){  
 int x = 0;  
 int y = 0;  
 [y++ /\* move up \*/]  
 op.  
}  
}  
} *refactor*  
Point p = new Point();  
p.moveUp();

factor out relevant data and operations into a template/class.  
cohesion.

reference type

class Point {  
private x;  
private y;  
void moveUp() { this.y++; }  
}

primitive values.

## Reference-Typed Return Values

Is it then right to say that across a class's method types (accessor, mutator), if two or more methods have identical names and parameters despite having different return types, it is invalid?

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

```
public class PointTester {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Point p1 = new Point(2.5, -3.6);  
        p1.moveUp(7.8);  
        Point p2 = p1.movedUpBy(6.4);  
        System.out.println(p1 == p2);  
    }  
}
```

No.  
Methods with the same name  
must have distinct  
sets of param. types.

## Reference-Typed Return Values

int getPrice

- (a) If we had Point movedUpBy (int y), does this mean the first line of the body has to be something like Point np = new Point(x, this.y)? **YES.**
- (b) Also, just to clarify, the Point np object only has a local scope within the Mutator, correct? **YES.**
- (c) Was the object np created to differentiate p2 from p1 **YES.**  
and to ensure p1.x and p1.y are not altered in the invoked accessor method?

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

local acv.  
within the scope  
of movedUpBy.

```
public class PointTester {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Point p1 = new Point(2.5, -3.6);
        p1.moveUp(7.8); → modifying l.O. p1
        Point p2 = p1.movedUpBy(6.4);
        System.out.println(p1 == p2);
    }
}
```

p2 = new Point(..); accessor

P2 → X → no modification to l.O. p1  
np → orphan obj.

invoked ref  
' method call  
ended.  
without modifying  
p1, return  
the ref. of mother  
obj.

If you create an array with some of the indices storing/pointing to null, will the NullPointerException only occur if and only if you try to invoke a method on those particular indices?

Person[] ps = { new Person("alan"), null } ;

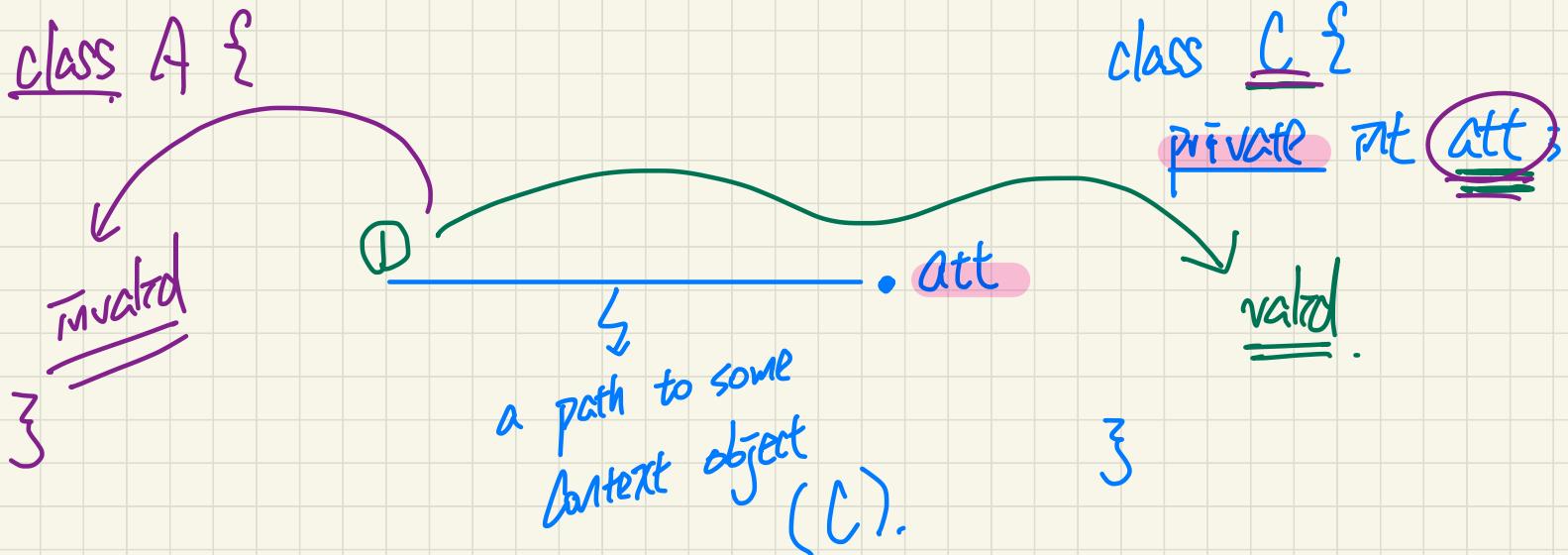
① for( int i = 0 ; i < ps.length ; i++ ) {  
 println( ps[i] );  
}

Which prog(s) will result in  
NPE ?

② for( int i = 0 ; i < ps.length ; i++ ) {  
 println( ps[i].getname() );  
}

null.getname() (NPE)

If we want to retrieve private attributes of an object while in the same class, we can use them directly; however, if the private attributes are in another class, we need to use accessor methods i.e. `.getName` instead of `.name`?



# Dot Notation for Navigating Classes (2)



```
class Student {  
    String id;  
    Course[] cs;  
}
```

class Course {  
 String title;  
 Faculty prof;

class Faculty {  
 String name;  
 Course[] te;

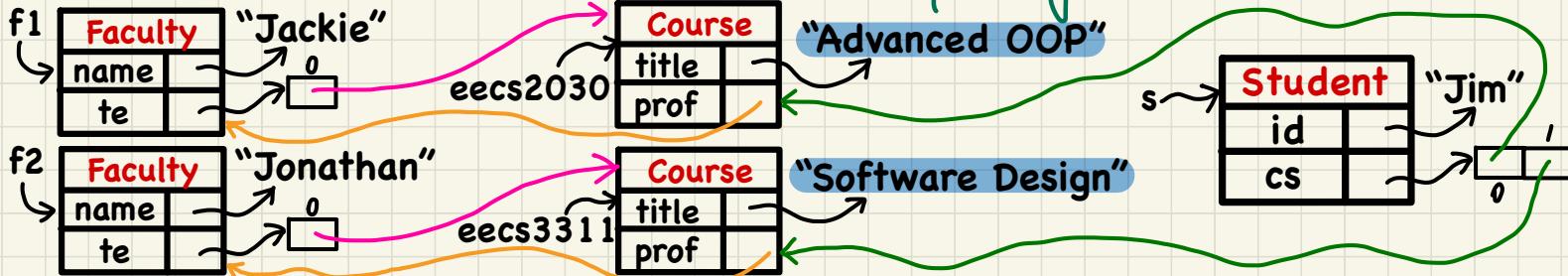
/\* Title of instructor's  
 \* i<sup>th</sup> teaching course  
 \*/  
String getTitle(int i) {  
}

~~this.cs[i].getTitle()~~

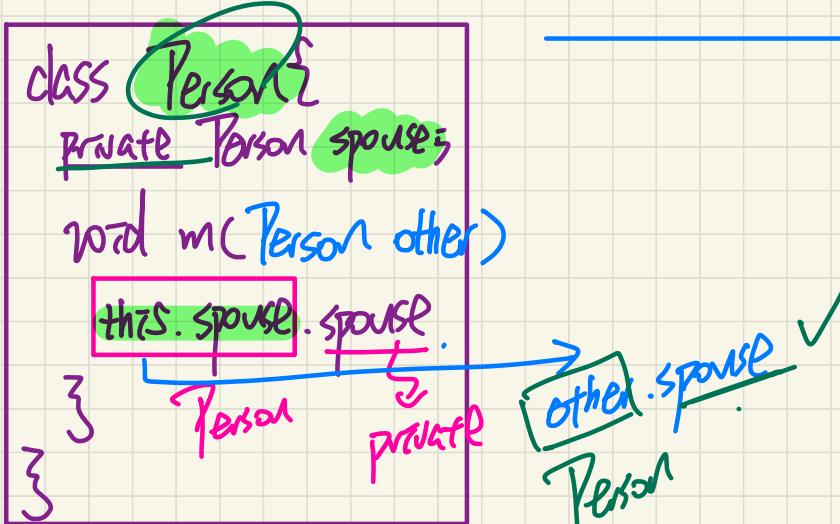
~~this.prof.getName()~~

~~this.prof.te[i].getTitle()~~

this.prof.getTE()[i].title



choose all expressions  
Touched!  
te is the private  
and the taught  
class is not  
Faculty.



• ~~att.~~

