

## AP Java

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### Chapter 1.1

*Objects =*

- parts used to build a model of some part of the world.
- Specific instance. (I.e. my Toyota).
- Start names of objects with lower case letters (mytoyota)

*Classes =*

- used to categorize objects. General category (i.e. cars)
- Start names with upper case letters (Toyota)

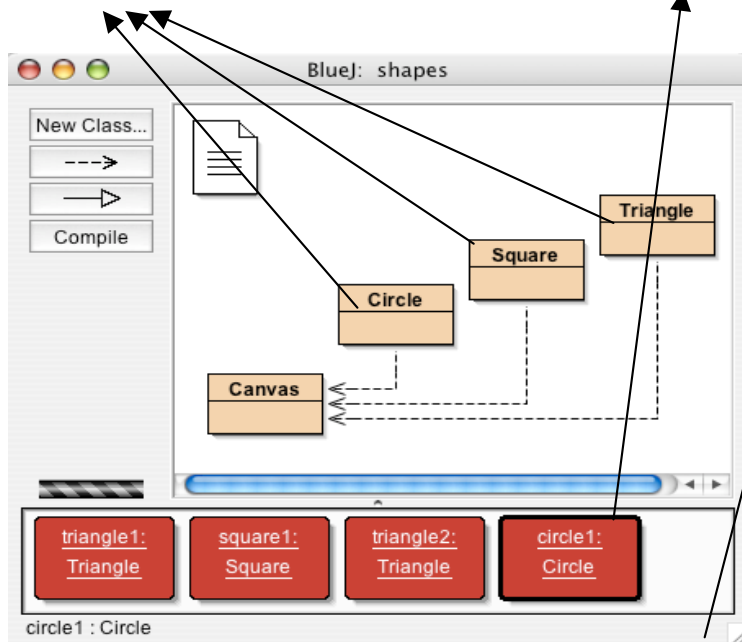
### Chapter 1.2

Running BlueJ:

Classes

Objects

Object Bench



---> Cntrl/click on object rectangle to create new object.

### Chapter 1.3 Calling Methods

Cntrl/click on object.

Choose operation from drop down menu.

*Method* = operations that manipulate an object.

## Chapter 1.4 Parameters

*Parameter* = additional values required by some methods.

*Signature* = the header of a method . Provides information needed to invoke the method.

i.e. void moveHorizontal (int distance)  
(type name).

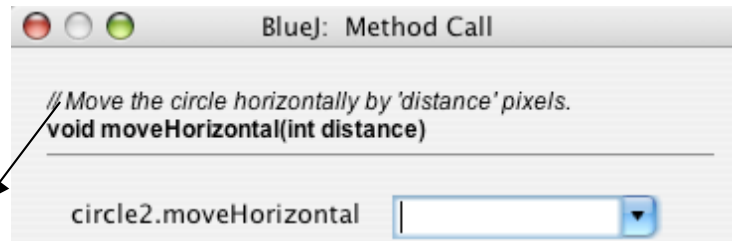
## Chapter 1.5 Data Types

*type* specifies what kind of data can be passed to a parameter.

Int = integer

String = text (always surrounded by quotes).

*Comment* = in method top of call dialog box. Gives information about to reader.

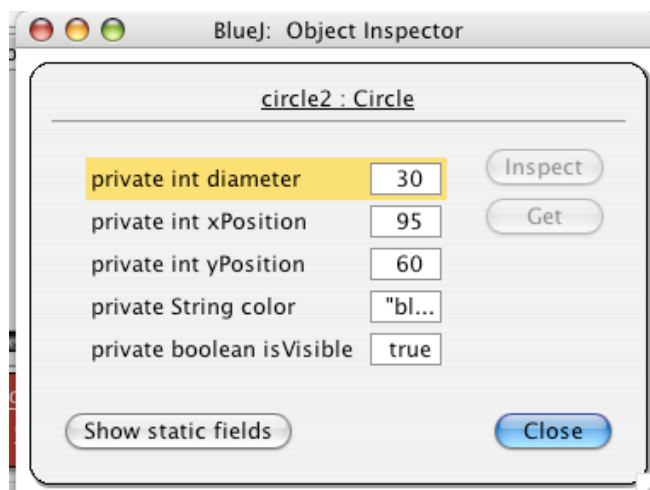
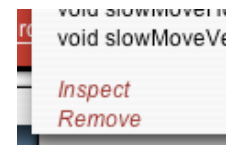


## Chapter 1.6 Multiple Instances

- Classes can produce multiple objects (instances) of that class.
- Methods can have more than one parameter
  - i.e. void changeSize (int newHeight, int newWidth) (for triangle)

## Chapter 1.7 State

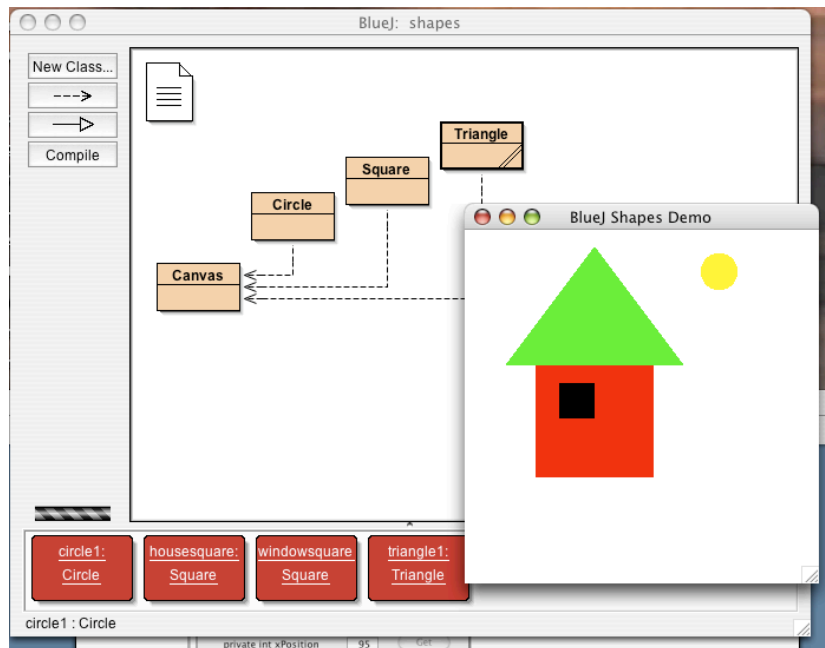
*State*: The set of values of all attributes defining an object (i.e. x-position, y-position, color, diameter...). Represented by storing values in fields. See state with *Inspect* function. See *Object Inspector*



## **Chapter 1.8 Object Defined**

- Objects of same class have same number, type, and names of fields
  - Values of individual field may be different.
- Objects of different classes have different fields (i.e. circles have diameter; triangles have height and width.)
- Number, types and names of fields are defined in the Class. (not in object)
- Anytime an object of a certain class is created, object will have the fields defined in the class.
- Methods are defined in class of an object. Therefore, all objects of same class have same methods.

### *Exercise 1.9*



## **Chapter 1.9 Object Interaction**

- To perform sequence of tasks, create a class to perform sequence (do not do sequence by hand ).
- Objects can create other objects and can call each other's methods.

## **Chapter 1.10 Source Code**

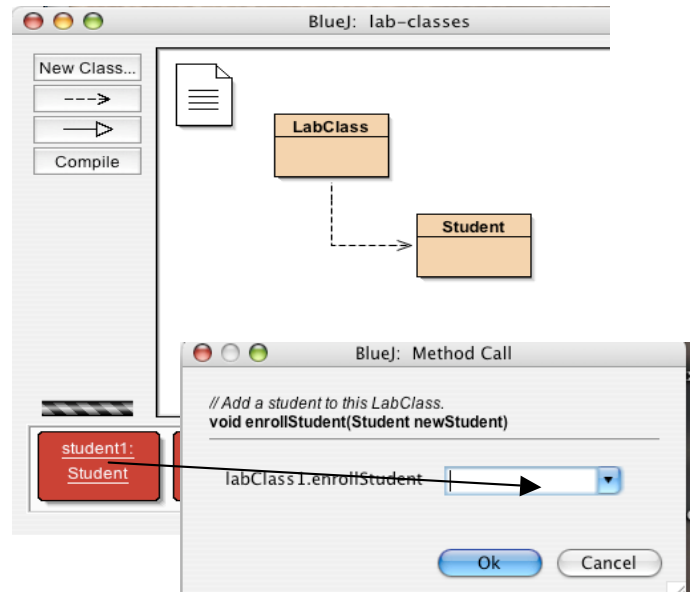
- Each class has specific source code.
- *Source code* = text that defines details of the class. (select *Open Editor* from cntrl/click on Class icon or double click on Class icon)
- Compilation: translates higher order language (java) to binary code (machine language).

### Chapter 1.12 Return Values (program Lab Classes)

- Running Methods can return a Results value
- *Results*: Methods may provide information about an object via a *Return Value*.
- *Return Values*: Allow us to get information about an object via a method call (i.e. in Lab Classes program, calling method *string getNam ()* returns name typed into parameter when object was created in Class: Student.
- Methods can (1) change state of object or (2) found out about a state.

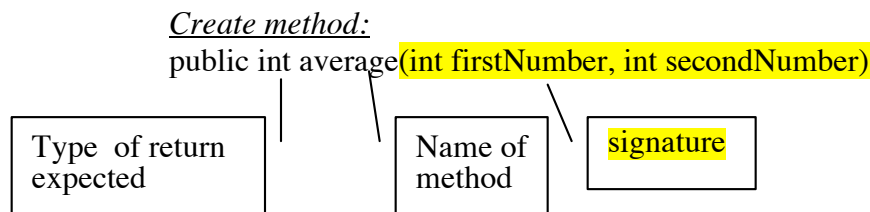
### Chapter 1.13 Objects as Parameters (program Lab Classes)

- Objects (i.e. *student1*) can be passed as parameters to methods of other objects
- When methods expects another object as parameter, expected object's class name is specified as parameter type in method signature)
- To do:
  - Create new object (labClass1) from LabClass object
  - Call method  
`void enrollStudent(Student newStudent),`
  - In Method Call window, Click on *student1*: object. Student info will be placed into parameter  
`enrollStudent(Student newStudent),`



### Chapter 1.14 Summary

- Classes provide definitions for objects
- Classes = general concept of a thing.
- objects represent concrete instance of a Class. (i.e. Mammal = Class; lion = object)
- Objects use *methods* for communication
  - Make changes in state or Gain information about object.
  - Parameters = information to run method. Parameters have types (i.e. string, int, ...) ((type: void = expect no return)).
  - Fields = where objects store data.
  - State = all data found in an objects's fields.



**Vocab: object, instance, method, signature, parameter, type, state, source code, return value, compiler**

## Ch 1 appendix:

### Source Code:

**Circle** Class definition for a **Circle**

#### Attributes

```
private int diameter;  
private int xPosition;  
private int yPosition;  
private String color;  
private boolean isVisible;
```

**diameter** - determines the size of the circle

**xPosition & yPosition** - determines the placement of the circle

**color** - determines the colour of the circle

**isVisible** - determines whether the circle is visible or not

#### Constructor

```
public Circle()  
{  
    diameter = 30;  
    xPosition = 20;  
    yPosition = 60;  
    color = "blue";  
    isVisible = false;  
}
```

The constructor method for **Circle** takes no parameters. It assigns the following values:

**diameter 30**

**xPosition 20**

**yPosition 60**

**color "blue"**

**isVisible false**

Note that invoking the **Circle** constructor method **twice** will result in the creation of **2 separate Circle objects** but the **state** of these two objects will be **exactly the same** - they will both have a **diameter** of **30**, an **xPosition** of **20**, **yPosition** of **60**, **colour blue** and be **invisible**.

## Answers to Exercises:

### Exercise 1.9

The main building:

- \* Create a new Square object
- \* Invoke its method `makeVisible()`
- \* Make the square bigger by invoking the method `changeSize(newSize)` (100 is a good size)
- \* Move the square down by invoking the method `moveVertical(distance)` (again 80 is a good value)

The window:

- \* Create a new Square object.
- \* Invoke its method `makeVisible()`
- \* Change its color by invoking `changeColor()`
- \* write "black" in the popupwindow
- \* Move the square down by invoking the method `moveVertical(distance)` (100 is a good value)
- \* Move it to the right by invoking `moveRight()`

The roof:

- \* Create a new triangle object.
- \* Invoke its method `makeVisible()`
- \* Change its size with `changeSize(newHeight, newWidth)` (50,140)
- \* `moveVertical(70)`
- \* `moveHorizontal(60)`

The Sun:

- \* Create new Circle object.
  - \* Invoke its method `makeVisible()`
  - \* Change its color by invoking `changeColor()` (write "yellow" in the popupwindow)
- Optionally change its size with `changeSize(60)`
- \* Move it to the right by invoking `moveHorizontal(180)`

### Exercise 1.11

- \* It uses the objects of the classes Circle, Square and Triangle.
- \* It then moves these objects to the right places and changes the sizes and colors of the objects. Essentially calling the same methods as used in exercise 1.9

### Exercise 1.15

After the line `sun.makeVisible()` insert the following:

- \* `sun.slowMoveVertical(250);`
- \* Compile the Picture class (Press compile in the editor window)
- \* Create instance of class Picture and invoke its `draw()` method.

### Exercise 1.16

Remove the line (if added in the previous exercise): `slowMoveVertical(250);` Right below the last `}` after the `draw()` method, add the `sunset()` method :

```
/**
 * Animates the sunset.
 */
public void sunset() {
    sun.slowMoveVertical(250);
}
```

Compile! And run it.

### Exercise 1.18

When calling the method `getName()`, the name of the student is displayed in a popup window. The name displayed is the one typed in when the object was created.

### Exercise 1.20

It shows the number of students in the `labclass` which is zero.

### Exercise 1.27

```
0      int
"hello"  String
101    int
-1     int
true   boolean
"33"   String
3.1415 double
```

### Exercise 1.28

First you would have to decide which type the field should have. `String` would be a good type to hold a name, so we add the following line to the source file of `Circle`:

```
private String name;
```

The above line could be placed after this line in `Circle.java`:

```
private boolean isVisible;
```

### Exercise 1.29

```
public void send(String msg)
```

**Exercise 1.30**

```
public int average(int firstNumber, int secondNumber)
```

**Exercise 1.31**

The book is an object. The class could be book.

**Exercise 1.32**

Yes, an object can belong to several classes. One of the more famous examples are the platypus, which is both a mammal and egg-laying.