

AP Java chapter 2

Concepts:

Fields	Methods (accessor, mutator)
Constructors	Assignment and conditional statements
parameters	

Constructs:

field	constructor	parameter
assignment (=)	block	return statement
void,	compound assignment operators (+=,-=)	if

Source code for *TicketMachine* (naïve-ticket-machine on CD)

```
/**
 * TicketMachine models a naive ticket machine that issues
 * flat-fare tickets.
 * The price of a ticket is specified via the constructor.
 * It is a naive machine in the sense that it trusts its users
 * to insert enough money before trying to print a ticket.
 * It also assumes that users enter sensible amounts.
 *
 * @author David J. Barnes and Michael Kolling
 * @version 2003.12.01
 */
```

```
public class TicketMachine
```

```
{
```

```
    // The price of a ticket from this machine.
    private int price;
    // The amount of money entered by a customer so far.
    private int balance;
    // The total amount of money collected by this machine.
    private int total;
```

Fields
defined

```
/**
 * Create a machine that issues tickets of the given price.
 * Note that the price must be greater than zero, and there
 * are no checks to ensure this.
 */
```

```
public TicketMachine(int ticketCost)
{
    price = ticketCost;
    balance = 0;
    total = 0;
}
```

Constructor
initializes
variables

```
/**
 * Return the price of a ticket.
 */
public int getPrice()
{
    return price;
}

/**
 * Return the amount of money already inserted for the
 * next ticket.
 */
public int getBalance()
{
    return balance;
}

/**
 * Receive an amount of money in cents from a customer.
 */
public void insertMoney(int amount)
{
    balance = balance + amount;
}

/**
 * Print a ticket.
 * Update the total collected and
 * reduce the balance to zero.
 */
public void printTicket()
{
    // Simulate the printing of a ticket.
    System.out.println("#####");
    System.out.println("# The BlueJ Line");
    System.out.println("# Ticket");
    System.out.println("# " + price + " cents.");
    System.out.println("#####");
    System.out.println();

    // Update the total collected with the balance.
    total = total + balance;
    // Clear the balance.
    balance = 0;
}
}
```

methods

Chapter 2.3 Fields, constructors and methods

- Source code broken into outer wrapping, and inner part.
 - Outer wrapping only names the class.
 - Inner wrapping does all the work. I.e.

```
public class TicketMachine
{
    inner part goes here
}
```

- Inner part of class defines *fields, constructors, methods*
 - Fields = store data for each object to use (also called *instance variables*)
 - Constructors = correctly set up each object when first created
 - Methods = implement behavior of objects.

In TicketMaster:

- Fields = price, balance, total
 - *Price* stores fixed price of a ticket
 - *Balance* stores amount inserted into machine by user
 - *Total* stores total inserted by all users

```
// The price of a ticket from this machine.
private int price;
// The amount of money entered by a customer so far.
private int balance;
// The total amount of money collected by this machine.
private int total;
```

Note:

// = comment on single line

/* ...*/ comment on multiple lines.

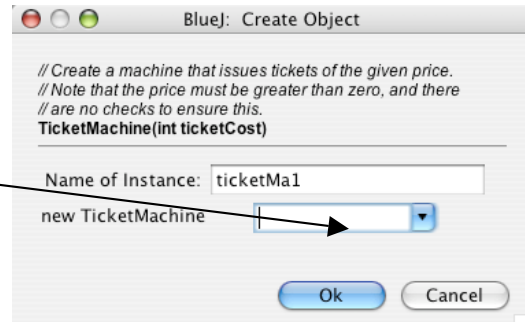
- Fields are always defined as *private*
- Field definitions must include type (i.e. int).
- Fields = space inside an object into which to store values.
- Constructors = (where initialization takes place).

```
public TicketMachine(int ticketCost)
{
    price = ticketCost;
    balance = 0;
    total = 0;
}
```

 - Constructor initializes object to a reasonable state.
 - Have same name as class in which they are defined.
 - Fields are initialized in constructor. Some set to integer (i.e. 0); some set to parameter to be entered after program is run (i.e. ticketCost).

Chapter 2.4 Passing data via parameters

- Methods and constructors receive values via parameters
- **Parameters** defined in header of constructor
 - i.e. `public TicketMachine(int ticketCost)`
 - Value entered into parameter *ticketCost* when object is created:
 - *ticketCost* labels *constructor space* = area inside constructor for values.
 - Value entered into field, *price*,
 - *Formal Parameters* = names of parameters outside (*ticketCost*)
 - *Actual Parameters* = values placed inside parameters. (500)
 - *Scope* = section of source code from where variable can be accessed.
 - *Lifetime* = how long variable continues to exist before it is destroyed. Life of parameter is limited to single call of constructor or method. After constructor call, parameter loses values. Fields (*price*) retain values.



Chapter 2.5 Assignments:

- Assignment Statements store value on right side of statement in the variable named on the left. (**price = ticketCost**) ticketCost goes into price . price <= ticketCost.
- Generic description: Variable = expression
- Expression =
 - compute values to place into variable
 - Expression type must match variable type

Chapter 2.6 Accessor Methods:

- Methods have two parts:
 - Header

```
/**  
 * Return the price of a ticket.  
 */  
public int getPrice()
```

 - Blue lines = comment describing what method does
 - Last line = **method signature**
 - Different from field declaration because of: following parentheses, no semicolon.
 - Body
 - Remainder of method after header
 - Enclosed in { } declarations and statements inside {} called a *block*
 - Contain declarations and statements what happens when method is called.

- *Differences between signatures of constructors (**public TicketMachine (int TicketCost)**) and methods (**public int getPrice()**)*
 - *Method has return type of int, constructors (TicketMachine) can not have a return type. (parameter, TicketCost has type of int)*
 - *Constructors and methods can have 0 to any amount of parameters*
- Statement in body = **return price;**
 - Called *return statement*
 - Return statement returns value of type stated in method signature.
 - Return statement is always last statement in a method.
- Method call = question to the object. (what is price of ticket?); return statement provides answer. (shows contents of field *price*.)
- Accessor Methods: return information about the state of an object.
 - Provide access to that state.
 - Usually in form of return statement (also by printing information).

Chapter 2.7 Mutator Methods

- Mutator Methods change the value of one or more fields. Change the state of the object.
- Objects exhibit different behavior before and after mutator is called.
- *Void* return type means that method does not return any value to caller.

Chapter 2.8 Printing Methods

- The method **System.out.println** is a built in method that prints to terminal.
- Format = `System.out.println (" text to be printed");`
- Format to concatenate strings and values = `System.out.println ("text " + field + " text.");`

Chapter 2.11 Conditional statements (better-ticket-machine – on CD)

- Conditional statement;
 - Takes action based on result of a test.
 - Also called IF STATEMENTS.
 - Type of BOOLEAN EXPRESSION: only returns TRUE or FALSE result.
- Form =

```

If (perform tests) {
    Perform action if test is true
}
else{
    Perform action if test is false
}

```

Sample from better-ticket-machine:

```
/**
 *Receive an amount of money in cents from a customer.
 * Check that the amount is sensible.
 */
public void insertMoney(int amount)
{
    if(amount > 0) {
        balance = balance + amount;
    }
    else {
        System.out.println ("Use a positive amount: " +
            amount);
    }
}
```

Chapter 2.12 another conditional statement

- Shows how to add print and math operation to conditional statement

```
/**
 * Print a ticket if enough money has been inserted, and
 * reduce the current balance by the ticket price. Print
 * an error message if more money is required.
 */
public void printTicket()
{
    if(balance >= price) {
        // Simulate the printing of a ticket.
        System.out.println("#####");
        System.out.println("# The BlueJ Line");
        System.out.println("# Ticket");
        System.out.println("# " + price + " cents.");
        System.out.println("#####");
        System.out.println();

        // Update the total collected with the price.
        total = total + price;
        // Reduce the balance by the price.
        balance = balance - price;
    }
    else {
        System.out.println("You must insert at least: " +
            (price - balance) + " more cents.");
    }
}
}
```

Chapter 2.13 Local variables

- Local variable:
 - Variable declared and used in a single method. Scope and lifetime are limited to method.

```
public int refundBalance()
{
    int amountToRefund;
    amountToRefund = balance;
    balance = 0;
    return amountToRefund;
}
```

 - AmountTo Refund = local variable
 - declared in – *int amountToRefund*;
 - initialized – *amountToRefund = balance*;
 - Can combine – *int amountToRefund = balance*;
 - Never use private or public in declaration.

Chapter 2.14 Fields, Parameters, local variables

- All three types of variables: _Store values appropriate to defined type
- **Fields:**
 - Defined outside constructors and methods
 - Store data that lives through life of object, have lifetime as long as object's lifetime, maintain current state of object.
 - Have class scope – extends through class. Can be used in any method or constructor in class.
 - Private fields cannot be accessed outside of class.
- **Formal Parameters:**
 - Exist only for the time a constructor or method executes.
 - Values lost between calls.
 - Temporary storage areas
 - Defined in header of constructor or method
 - Receive values from outside.
 - Scope limited to defining constructor or method
- **Local variables:**
 - Defined inside body of constructor or method
 - Must be initialized only inside constructor or method . Receive no default initialization.
 - Exist only for the time a constructor or method executes.
 - Values lost between calls.
 - Temporary storage areas
 - Scope limited to block in which they are defined.

Chapter 2.16 (use lab-classes from CD)

- Substrings allow to return parts of string (i.e. first 4 characters).
- From lab-classes:

```

/**
 * Return the login name of this student. The login name is a combination
 * of the first four characters of the student's name and the first three
 * characters of the student's ID number.
 */
public String getLoginName()
{
    return name.substring(0,4) + id.substring(0,3);
}

```

```

/**
 * Print the student's name and ID number to the output terminal.
 */
public void print()
{
    System.out.println(name + " (" + id + ")");
}
}

```

- name.substring (0,4) places first 4 characters of string into field, name.
- Returns: characters from beginIndex to (endindex – 1). First character is 0.

Summary:

Vocab: field, comment, constructor, scope, lifetime, assignment, method, accessor method, mutator method, println, conditional, Boolean expression, local variable.