

### ■ Previous Lecture:

- Selection statement
- Iteration with **while** loop
- **static** methods

### ■ Today's Lecture:

- Review methods (functions)
- Iteration with **for** loop
- Intro to objects and classes

- Reading: pp 136-145 of Sec 3.3, pp 36-42, pp 112-115

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```

/* = a random integer in [lo..hi]
 */
public static int randInt(int lo, int hi) {
    return (int) Math.floor(
        Math.random()*(hi-lo+1) + lo);
}

```

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## The **for** loop

Syntax:

```

for ( initialization; condition; update )
    statement-to-repeat;

```

- *Initialization*, *condition*, and *update* are not required, but the **semi-colons (;)** are required

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## The **for** loop

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```

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```

- *Initialization* is done once, before loop begins
- *condition* is evaluated
- Loop body executes only if *condition* evaluates to **true**
- *update* is executed

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## Scope of a local variable

- A variable declared **inside a method** is a **local variable**. We say it is "local" to the method.
- The **scope** of a variable is the "area" of the program in which the variable is recognized
- The **scope** of a local variable starts at its declaration and ends with the block in which the variable is declared
- Example: See method **main** in **MyRandom**

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## **Math** class

- A collection of common mathematical functions and constants
- **static** methods and constants
  - Belong to the class
  - An **object** is *not needed* to access **static** members of a class

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```
import javax.swing.*;

public class MakeFrame {
    public static void main(String[] args){
        JFrame f= new JFrame();
        f.show();
        f.setSize(500,200);
        int w= f.getWidth();
        System.out.println("Width is " + w);
        f.setTitle("My new window");
        JFrame f2=new JFrame();//another one!
        f2.show(); f2.setSize(100,700);
    }
}
```

## Notice these behaviors:

- We can have multiple **JFrame** objects
- We can access the individual **JFrames** by declaring a different name for each
- Each **JFrame** has its own states (e.g., width, height, title, position, etc.)
- To have **JFrame f2** perform some action we call **f2**'s method. E.g., **f2.show()**
- ➡ Each object has its own variables and methods!

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## What might class **JFrame** look like?

```
... class JFrame ... {
    // Variables to store the states (attributes) of the frame
    int width, height; // Dimensions of the frame
    String title;      // Title of the frame
    ...               // Other variables

    /* = width of this JFrame */
    public int getWidth() { ... }

    /* Set this JFrame's title */
    public void setTitle(String name) { ... }

    ... // Other methods
}
```

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## Pre-defined class **JFrame**

- Deals with windows (frames) on the monitor
- All the predefined classes are collectively called the **Java API**
- Classes are grouped into **packages**. E.g., **java.io**, **java.net**, **javax.swing**
- Use the **import** statement:  
`import javax.swing.*;`
- To find out what the classes do, read the API specifications:  
<http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.5.0/docs/api>

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## Object & Class—an analogy

- **Object**: a folder that stores information (data and instructions)
- **Class**: a drawer in a filing cabinet that holds folders of the same type

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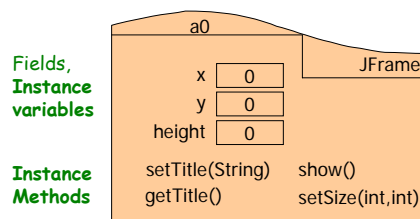
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## What is in an object?

(What is in a folder?)

- Fields to store data
- Instructions for dealing with the object



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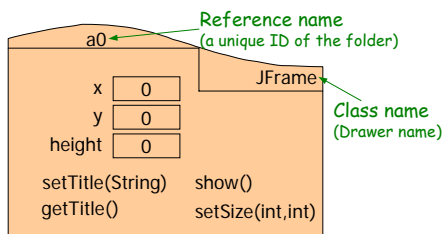
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## Creating an object

The expression

**new JFrame()**

- Creates a **JFrame** object (folder) and gives it a reference name
- Calls method **JFrame()** to set initial values for the object
- Yields the reference of the object

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## Reference variable

- Use a reference variable to hold on to an object:

**JFrame f = new JFrame();**

Use the class name  
as a type

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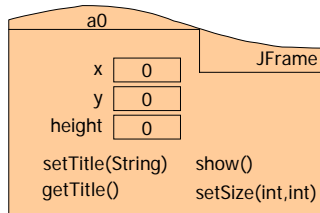
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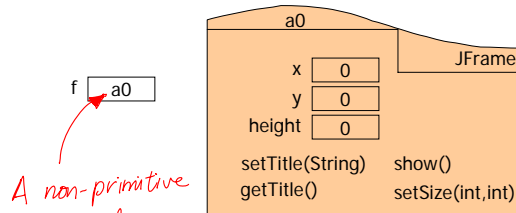
**JFrame f;**

f

**new JFrame()**



**JFrame f = new JFrame();**



## Object & Class

- **Object**: contains variables (fields, instance variables) and methods
  - **Variables**: "state" or "characteristics"  
e.g., name, age
  - **Methods**: "behavior" or "action"  
e.g., yell, bounce
- **Class**: blueprint (definition) of an object
  - *No memory space* is reserved for object data
- An object is an **instance** of a class

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## Calling instance methods

```
JFrame f= new JFrame();

f.show();
f.setSize(600,200);
int w = f.getWidth();
```

Syntax :

*referenceVariableName* . *methodName* (*arguments*)

## Accessing a field

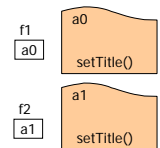
Syntax:

*referenceVariableName* . *fieldName*

## Instance methods are accessed through the instance

```
JFrame f1= new JFrame();

JFrame f2= new JFrame();
```



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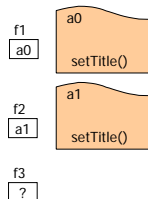
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## Reference $\neq$ Object

```
JFrame f1= new JFrame();

JFrame f2= new JFrame();

JFrame f3; //local variable
           //no default value
```



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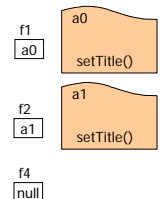
## null

```
JFrame f1= new JFrame();

JFrame f2= new JFrame();

JFrame f4= null;

f4.setTitle("x");
```



*A non-primitive  
type value*

**null** means the reference variable does not refer to an object.

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