

- Previous Lecture:
 - Review methods (functions)
 - Iteration with **for** loop
 - Intro to objects and classes
- Today's Lecture:
 - Intro to objects and classes
 - Creating objects and calling their methods
 - OO thinking
- Reading: start reading Sec 4.1
- Announcement: **Project 4** due today at 6pm

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Primitive vs non-primitive values

```
int x= 2;
int y= 2;
JFrame f1= new JFrame();
JFrame f2= new JFrame();
JFrame f3= f1;
```

alias

x==y gives

f1==f2 gives

f1==f3 gives

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Class *definition* vs. object *instantiation*

If you want make a whole lot of cookies, you may want to

- Make a cookie cutter—*define the class*
- Stamp out the cookie—*instantiate an object*

Making a cookie cutter
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Getting a cookie

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```
class Rect {
    // attributes
    private double left;
    private double right;
    ...

    // drawRect method
    ...
    // area method
    ...
    // perimeter method
    ...
}
```

Object from class **Rect**

x	u
y	v

```
method1() ...
method2() ...
```

OOP ideas

- Aggregate variables/methods into an abstraction (a **class**) that makes their relationship to one another explicit
- Objects (**instances of a class**) are self-governing (protect and manage themselves)
- Hide details from client, and restrict client's use of the services
- Allow clients to create/get as many objects as they want

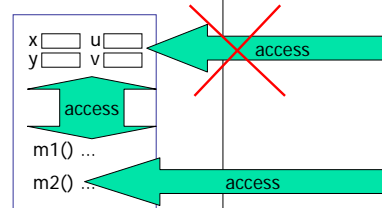
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A server class
class **Rect**

A client class



Data within objects should be protected: **private**
Provide only a set of methods for **public** access.

```

class Rect {

    // attributes
    private double left;
    private double right;
    ...

    // drawRect method
    ...
    // area method
    ...
    // perimeter method
    ...
}

```

Server class

```

public class UseRect {

    public static void main
    (String[] args) {

        // create a rect
        Rect r1 = new Rect(...);
        // calculation on r1
        r1.area()

        // create another rect
        Rect r2 = new Rect(...);
        r2.drawRect()
    }
}

```

Client class

- We have used different classes already:
 - **System**, **Math**, **Scanner**
 - **JFrame**
- Above classes provide various *services* (related services are grouped in same class)
- Implementation details of the class are hidden from the *client* (user)

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Class Definition

```

public class class-name {

    declaration (and initialization)

    constructor

    methods

}

```

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Class definition: declarations

```

class Interval {
    private double base; // low end
    private double width; // interval width
}

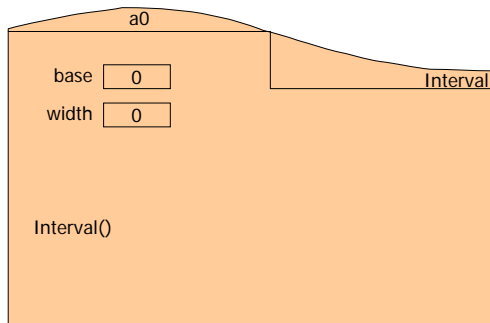
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- *Declarations* in a class define *fields (instance variables)* of the class
- Each class is a *type*. Classes are *not* primitive types.

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Declarations Revisited

- Syntax: *type name;*
- Examples: **int count;**
Interval in1;
Interval in2;
- Instance variables have default initial values
 - **int** variables: **0**
 - Non-primitive (reference) variables: **null**
 Value **null** signifies that no object is referenced

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