

# Chapter 6 - Object-Oriented Programming: Inheritance

# Introduction

- Inheritance
  - Software reusability
  - Create new class from existing class
    - Absorb existing class's data and behaviors
    - Enhance with new capabilities
  - Subclass extends superclass
    - Subclass
      - More specialized group of objects
      - Behaviors inherited from superclass
        - Can customize
      - Additional behaviors

# Introduction

- Class hierarchy
  - Direct superclass
    - Inherited explicitly (one level up hierarchy)
  - Indirect superclass
    - Inherited two or more levels up hierarchy
  - Single inheritance
    - Inherits from one superclass
  - Multiple inheritance
    - Inherits from multiple superclasses
      - Java does not support multiple inheritance

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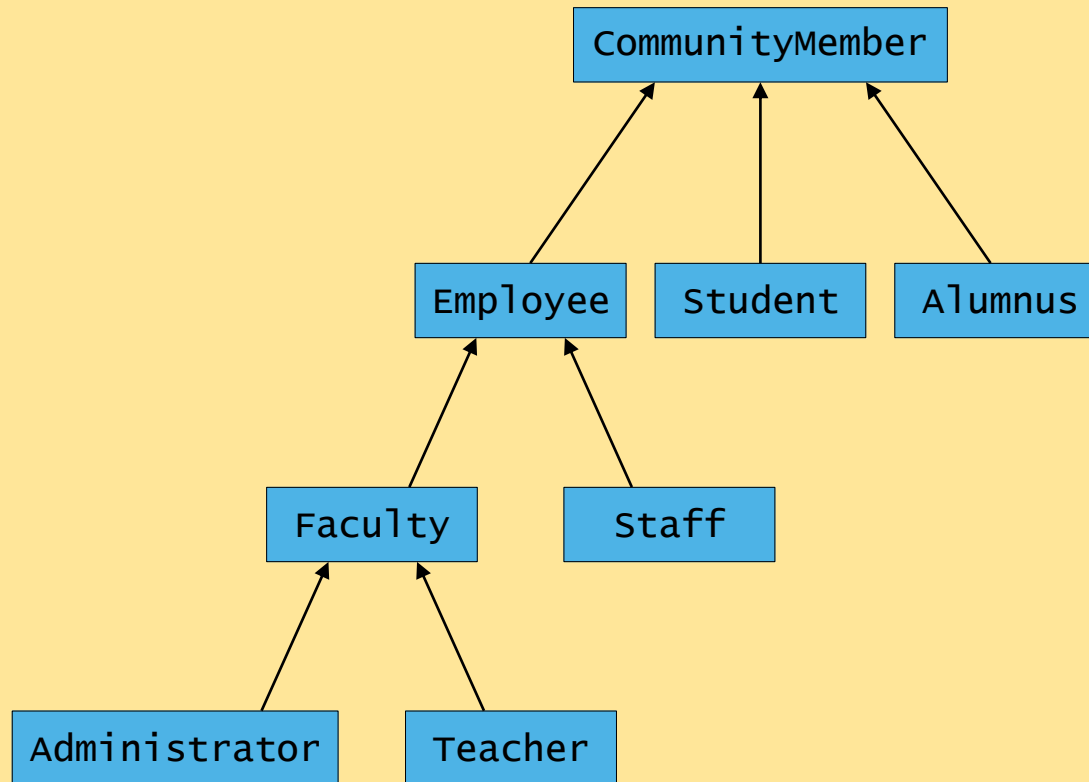
- Abstraction
  - Focus on commonalities among objects in system
- “is-a” vs. “has-a”
  - “is-a”
    - Inheritance
    - subclass object treated as superclass object
    - Example: Car *is a* vehicle
      - Vehicle properties/behaviors also car properties/behaviors
  - “has-a”
    - Composition
    - Object contains one or more objects of other classes as members
    - Example: Car *has a* steering wheel

# Superclasses and Subclasses

- Superclasses and subclasses
  - Object of one class “is an” object of another class
    - Example: Rectangle is quadrilateral.
      - Class `Rectangle` inherits from class `Quadrilateral`
      - `Quadrilateral`: superclass
      - `Rectangle`: subclass
  - Superclass typically represents larger set of objects than subclasses
    - Example:
      - superclass: `Vehicle`
        - Cars, trucks, boats, bicycles, ...
      - subclass: `Car`
        - Smaller, more-specific subset of vehicles

# Superclasses and Subclasses (Cont.)

- Inheritance hierarchy
  - Inheritance relationships: tree-like hierarchy structure
  - Each class becomes
    - superclass
      - Supply data/behaviors to other classes
    - OR
    - subclass
      - Inherit data/behaviors from other classes



Inheritance hierarchy for university CommunityMembers.

# protected Members

- **protected** access
  - Intermediate level of protection between **public** and **private**
  - **protected** members accessible to
    - superclass members
    - subclass members
    - Class members in the same package
  - Subclass access superclass member
    - Keyword **super** and a dot (.)



# Relationship between Superclasses and Subclasses

- Superclass and subclass relationship
  - Example: Point/circle inheritance hierarchy
    - Point
      - x-y coordinate pair
    - Circle
      - x-y coordinate pair
      - Radius

Maintain x- and y-coordinates as private instance variables.

```
1  
2  
3  
4 public class Point {  
5     private int x; // x part of coordinate pair  
6     private int y; // y part of coordinate pair
```

Implicit call to Object constructor

```
7  
8     // no-argument constructor  
9     public Point()  
10    {  
11        // implicit call to Object constructor occurs here  
12    }  
13
```

```
14    // constructor  
15    public Point( int xValue, int yValue )  
16    {  
17        // implicit call to Object constructor occurs here  
18        x = xValue; // no need for validation  
19        y = yValue; // no need for validation  
20    }  
21
```

```
22    // set x in coordinate pair  
23    public void setX( int xValue )  
24    {  
25        x = xValue; // no need for validation  
26    }  
27
```

```
28 // return x from coordinate pair
29 public int getX()
30 {
31     return x;
32 }
33
34 // set y in coordinate pair
35 public void setY( int yValue )
36 {
37     y = yValue; // no need for validation
38 }
39
40 // return y from coordinate pair
41 public int getY()
42 {
43     return y;
44 }
45
46 // return String representation of Point object
47 public String toString()
48 {
49     return "[" + x + ", " + y + "]";
50 }
51
52 } // end class Point
```

Override method `toString`  
of class `Object`



```

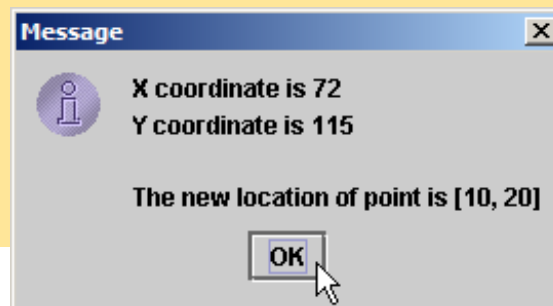
1 // Fig. 9.5: PointTest.java
2 // Testing class Point.
3 import javax.swing.JOptionPane;
4
5 public class PointTest {
6
7     public static void main( String[] args )
8     {
9         Point point = new Point( 72, 115 ); // create Point object
10
11         // get point coordinates
12         String output = "X coordinate is "
13             + "\nY coordinate is " + point.get
14
15         point.setX( 10 ); // set x-coordinate
16         point.setY( 20 ); // set y-coordinate
17
18         // get String representation of new point value
19         output += "\n\nThe new location of point is " + point;
20
21         JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null, output ); // display output
22
23         System.exit( 0 );
24
25     } // end main
26
27 } // end class PointTest

```

Instantiate Point object

Change the value of point's x-  
and y- coordinates

Implicitly call point's  
toString method



```
1 // Fig. 9.8: Circle2.java
2 // Circle2 class inherits from Point.
3
4 public class Circle2 extends Point {
5     private double radius; // Circle2's radius
6
7     // no-argument constructor
8     public Circle2()
9     {
10         // implicit call to Point constructor occurs here
11     }
12
13     // constructor
14     public Circle2( int xValue, int yVal
15     {
16         // implicit call to Point constru
17         x = xValue; // not allowed: x pr
18         y = yValue; // not allowed: y private in Point
19         setRadius( radiusValue );
20     }
21
22     // set radius
23     public void setRadius( double radiusValue )
24     {
25         radius = ( radiusValue < 0.0 ? 0.0 : radiusValue );
26     }
27
```

Class Circle2  
extends class Point.

Maintain private instance  
variable radius.

Attempting to access superclass  
Point's private instance  
variables x and y results in syntax  
errors.

```
34 // calculate and return diameter
35 public double getDiameter()
36 {
37     return 2 * radius;
38 }
39
40 // calculate and return circumference
41 public double getCircumference()
42 {
43     return Math.PI * getDiameter();
44 }
45
46 // calculate and return area
47 public double getArea()
48 {
49     return Math.PI * radius * radius;
50 }
51
52 // return String representation of Circle object
53 public String toString()
54 {
55     // use of x and y not allowed: x and y private
56     return "Center = [" + x + ", " + y + "]; Radius = " + radius;
57 }
58
59 } // end class Circle2
```

Attempting to access superclass Point's private instance variables x and y results in syntax errors.

```
Circle2.java:17: x has private access in Point
    x = xvalue; // not allowed: x private in Point
    ^
Circle2.java:18: y has private access in Point
    y = yvalue; // not allowed: y private in Point
    ^
Circle2.java:56: x has private access in Point
    return "Center = [" + x + ", " + y + "]; Radius = " + radius;
    ^
Circle2.java:56: y has private access in Point
    return "Center = [" + x + ", " + y + "]; Radius = " + radius;
    ^
4 errors
```

Attempting to access superclass **Point**'s **private** instance variables **x** and **y** results in syntax errors.

```
1 // Fig. 9.9: Point2.java
2 // Point2 class declaration represents
3
4 public class Point2 {
5     protected int x; // x part of coordinate pair
6     protected int y; // y part of coordinate pair
7
8     // no-argument constructor
9     public Point2()
10    {
11        // implicit call to Object constructor occurs here
12    }
13
14    // constructor
15    public Point2( int xValue, int yValue )
16    {
17        // implicit call to Object constructor occurs here
18        x = xValue; // no need for validation
19        y = yValue; // no need for validation
20    }
21
22    // set x in coordinate pair
23    public void setX( int xValue )
24    {
25        x = xValue; // no need for validation
26    }
27
```

Maintain x- and y-coordinates as **protected** instance variables, accessible to subclasses.



```
28 // return x from coordinate pair
29 public int getX()
30 {
31     return x;
32 }
33
34 // set y in coordinate pair
35 public void setY( int yValue )
36 {
37     y = yValue; // no need for validation
38 }
39
40 // return y from coordinate pair
41 public int getY()
42 {
43     return y;
44 }
45
46 // return String representation of Point2 object
47 public String toString()
48 {
49     return "[" + x + ", " + y + "]";
50 }
51
52 } // end class Point2
```

```
1 // Fig. 9.10: Circle3.java
```

```
2 // Circle3 class inherits from Point2 and has
```

```
3 // protected members x and y.
```

```
4  
5 public class Circle3 extends Point2 {  
6     private double radius; // Circle3's radius
```

Class Circle3 inherits from  
Maintain private instance  
variables radius.

```
7  
8 // no-argument constructor
```

```
9 public Circle3()
```

```
10 {
```

```
11     // implicit call to Point2 constructor occurs here
```

```
12 }
```

```
13  
14 // constructor
```

```
15 public Circle3( int xValue, int yValue, int radiusValue )
```

```
16 {
```

```
17     // implicit call to Point2 constructor occurs here
```

```
18     x = xValue; // no need for x = xValue; in superclass Point2.
```

```
19     y = yValue; // no need for y = yValue; in superclass Point2.
```

```
20     setRadius( radiusValue );
```

```
21 }
```

```
22  
23 // set radius
```

```
24 public void setRadius( double radiusValue )
```

```
25 {
```

```
26     radius = ( radiusValue < 0.0 ? 0.0 : radiusValue );
```

```
27 }
```

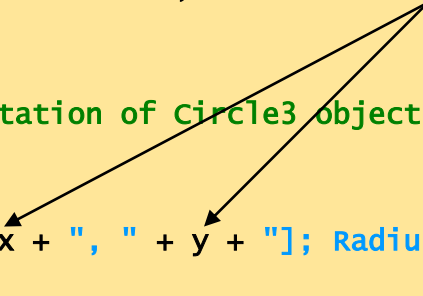
```
28
```

Implicitly calls superclass's  
default constructor.

Modify inherited instance  
variables x and y, declared  
protected in superclass  
Point2.

```
29 // return radius
30 public double getRadius()
31 {
32     return radius;
33 }
34
35 // calculate and return diameter
36 public double getDiameter()
37 {
38     return 2 * radius;
39 }
40
41 // calculate and return circumference
42 public double getCircumference()
43 {
44     return Math.PI * getDiameter();
45 }
46
47 // calculate and return area
48 public double getArea()
49 {
50     return Math.PI * radius * radius;
51 }
52
53 // return String representation of Circle3 object
54 public String toString()
55 {
56     return "Center = [" + x + ", " + y + "]; Radius = " + radius;
57 }
58
59 } // end class Circle3
```

Access inherited instance variables x and y, declared protected in superclass Point2.



```
1 // Fig. 9.11: CircleTest3.java
2 // Testing class Circle3.
3 import java.text.DecimalFormat;
4 import javax.swing.JOptionPane;
5
6 public class CircleTest3 {
```

```
7
8 public static void main( String[] args )
9 {
```

Create Circle3 object.

```
10 // instantiate circle object
11 circle3 circle = new circle3( 37, 43, 2.5 );
```

```
12
13 // get Circle3's initial x-y coordinates and radius
14 String output = "X coordinate is " + circle.getX() +
15 "\nY coordinate is " + circle.getY() +
16 "\nRadius is " + circle.getRadius();
```

Use Circle3 get method to access private instance variables.

```
17
18 circle.setX( 35 ); // set new x-coordinate
19 circle.setY( 20 ); // set new y-coordinate
20 circle.setRadius( 4.25 ); // set new radius
```

Use inherited set methods to modify inherited

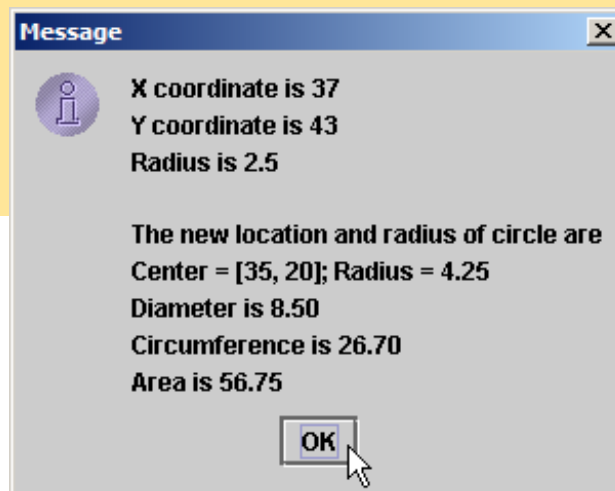
```
21
22 // get String representation of circle
23 output += "\n\nThe new location and radius is: " +
24 circle.toString();
```

Use Circle3 set method to modify private data radius.

```

26 // format floating-point values with 2 digits of precision
27 DecimalFormat twoDigits = new DecimalFormat( "0.00" );
28
29 // get Circle's diameter
30 output += "\nDiameter is " +
31     twoDigits.format( circle.getDiameter() );
32
33 // get Circle's circumference
34 output += "\nCircumference is " +
35     twoDigits.format( circle.getCircumference() );
36
37 // get Circle's area
38 output += "\nArea is " + twoDigits.format( circle.getArea() );
39
40 JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null, output ); // display output
41
42 System.exit( 0 );
43
44 } // end method main
45
46 } // end class CircleTest3

```



# Relationship between Superclasses and Subclasses (Cont.)

- Using **protected** instance variables
  - Advantages
    - subclasses can modify values directly
    - Slight increase in performance
      - Avoid set/get function call overhead
  - Disadvantages
    - No validity checking
      - subclass can assign illegal value
    - Implementation dependent
      - subclass methods more likely dependent on superclass implementation
      - superclass implementation changes may result in subclass modifications
        - Fragile (brittle) software

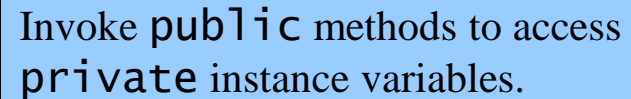
```
1 // Fig. 9.12: Point3.java
2 // Point class declaration represents
```

Better software-engineering practice: **private** over **protected** when possible.

```
3
4 public class Point3 {
5     private int x; // x part of coordinate pair
6     private int y; // y part of coordinate pair
7
8     // no-argument constructor
9     public Point3()
10    {
11        // implicit call to Object constructor occurs here
12    }
13
14    // constructor
15    public Point3( int xValue, int yValue )
16    {
17        // implicit call to Object constructor occurs here
18        x = xValue; // no need for validation
19        y = yValue; // no need for validation
20    }
21
22    // set x in coordinate pair
23    public void setX( int xValue )
24    {
25        x = xValue; // no need for validation
26    }
27
```

```
28 // return x from coordinate pair
29 public int getX()
30 {
31     return x;
32 }
33
34 // set y in coordinate pair
35 public void setY( int yValue )
36 {
37     y = yValue; // no need for validation
38 }
39
40 // return y from coordinate pair
41 public int getY()
42 {
43     return y;
44 }
45
46 // return String representation of Point3
47 public String toString()
48 {
49     return "[" + getX() + ", " + getY() + "];"
50 }
51
52 } // end class Point3
```

Invoke public methods to access private instance variables.





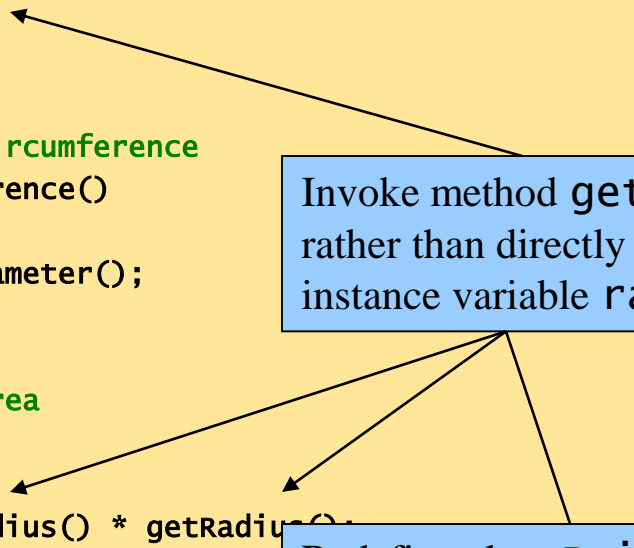
```
1 // Fig. 9.13: Circle4.java
2 // Circle4 class inherits from Point3 and adds
3 // private x and y via Point3's public methods
4
5 public class Circle4 extends Point3 {
6
7     private double radius; // Circle4's radius
8
9     // no-argument constructor
10    public Circle4()
11    {
12        // implicit call to Point3 constructor occurs here
13    }
14
15    // constructor
16    public Circle4( int xValue, int yValue, double radiusValue )
17    {
18        super( xValue, yValue ); // call Point3 constructor explicitly
19        setRadius( radiusValue );
20    }
21
22    // set radius
23    public void setRadius( double radiusValue )
24    {
25        radius = ( radiusValue < 0.0 ? 0.0 : radiusValue );
26    }
27
```

Class Circle4 inherits from class Point3.

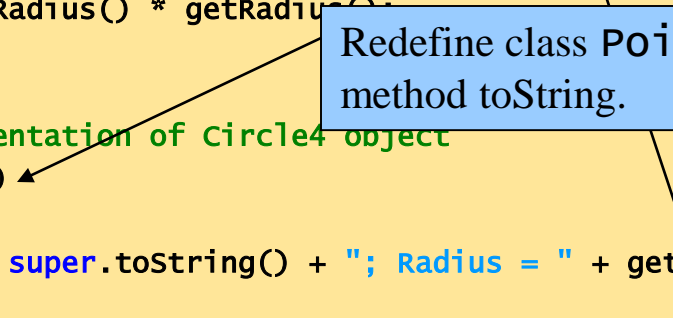
Maintain private instance variable radius.

```
28 // return radius
29 public double getRadius()
30 {
31     return radius;
32 }
33
34 // calculate and return diameter
35 public double getDiameter()
36 {
37     return 2 * getRadius();
38 }
39
40 // calculate and return circumference
41 public double getCircumference()
42 {
43     return Math.PI * getDiameter();
44 }
45
46 // calculate and return area
47 public double getArea()
48 {
49     return Math.PI * getRadius() * getRadius();
50 }
51
52 // return String representation of Circle4 object
53 public String toString()
54 {
55     return "Center = " + super.toString() + "; Radius = " + getRadius();
56 }
57
58 } // end class Circle4
```

Invoke method `getRadius` rather than directly accessing instance variable `radius`.



Redefine class `Point3`'s method `toString`.



```
1 // Fig. 9.14: CircleTest4.java
2 // Testing class Circle4.
3 import java.text.DecimalFormat;
4 import javax.swing.JOptionPane;
5
6 public class CircleTest4 {
```

```
7
8 public static void main( String[] args )
9 {
10 // instantiate circle object
11 circle4 circle = new circle4( 37, 43, 2.5 );
12
13 // get Circle4's initial x-y coordinates and radius
14 String output = "X coordinate is " + circle.getX() +
15 "\nY coordinate is " + circle.getY() +
16 "\nRadius is " + circle.getRadius();
```

Create Circle4 object.

Use inherited get methods to access inherited private instance variable radius.

```
17
18 circle.setX( 35 ); // set new x-coordinate
19 circle.setY( 20 ); // set new y-coordinate
20 circle.setRadius( 4.25 ); // set new radius
```

Use inherited set methods to modify inherited private instance variable radius.

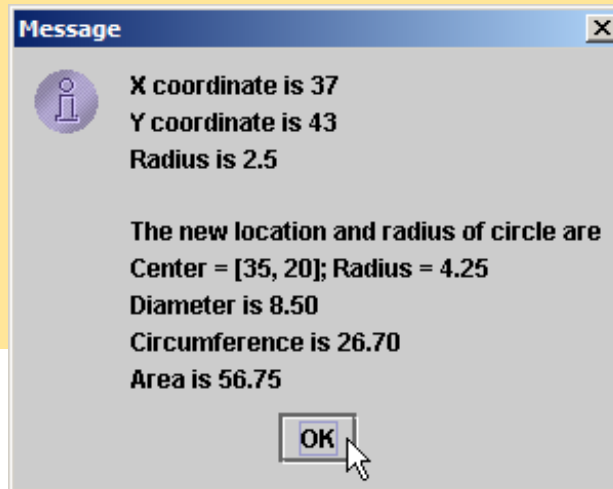
```
21
22 // get String representation of new circle
23 output += "\n\nThe new location and radius are: " +
24 circle.toString();
25
```

Use Circle4 set method to modify private instance variable radius.

```

26 // format floating-point values with 2 digits of precision
27 DecimalFormat twoDigits = new DecimalFormat( "0.00" );
28
29 // get Circle's diameter
30 output += "\nDiameter is " +
31     twoDigits.format( circle.getDiameter() );
32
33 // get Circle's circumference
34 output += "\nCircumference is " +
35     twoDigits.format( circle.getCircumference() );
36
37 // get Circle's area
38 output += "\nArea is " + twoDigits.format( circle.getArea() );
39
40 JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null, output ); // display output
41
42 System.exit( 0 );
43
44 } // end main
45
46 } // end class CircleTest4

```



# Three-Level Inheritance Hierarchy

- Three level point/circle/cylinder hierarchy
  - Point
    - x-y coordinate pair
  - Circle
    - x-y coordinate pair
    - Radius
  - Cylinder
    - x-y coordinate pair
    - Radius
    - Height

Maintain private instance variable height.

Class cylinder extends class Circle4.

```
1 // Fig. 9.15: Cylinder.java
2 // Cylinder class inherits from Circle4.
3
4 public class cylinder extends Circle4 {
5     private double height; // cylinder's height
6
7     // no-argument constructor
8     public cylinder()
9     {
10        // implicit call to Circle4 constructor occurs here
11    }
12
13    // constructor
14    public cylinder( int xvalue, int yvalue, double radiusvalue,
15        double heightvalue )
16    {
17        super( xvalue, yvalue, radiusvalue ); // call Circle4 constructor
18        setHeight( heightvalue );
19    }
20
21    // set cylinder's height
22    public void setHeight( double heightvalue )
23    {
24        height = ( heightvalue < 0.0 ? 0.0 : heightvalue );
25    }
26
```

```
27 // get cylinder's height
28 public double getHeight()
29 {
30     return height;
31 }
32
33 // override Circle4 method getArea to calculate cylinder's area
34 public double getArea()
35 {
36     return 2 * super.getArea() + getCircumference() * getHeight();
37 }
38
39 // calculate cylinder volume
40 public double getVolume()
41 {
42     return super.getArea() * getHeight();
43 }
44
45 // return String representation of cylinder
46 public String toString()
47 {
48     return super.toString() + "; Height = " + getHeight();
49 }
50
51 } // end class cylinder
```

Redefine superclass

Invoke superclass  
Circle4's getArea  
method using keyword super.

Redefine class Circle4's  
method toString

Invoke superclass  
Circle4's toString  
method using keyword super.

```
1 // Fig. 9.16: CylinderTest.java
2 // Testing class cylinder.
3 import java.text.DecimalFormat;
4 import javax.swing.JOptionPane;
5
6 public class CylinderTest {
7
8     public static void main( String[] args )
9     {
10         // create cylinder object
11         cylinder cylinder = new cylinder( 12, 23, 2.5, 5.7 );
12
13         // get cylinder's initial x-y coordinate
14         String output = "X coordinate is " + cylinder.getX() + "\n";
15         output += "Y coordinate is " + cylinder.getY() + "\n";
16         output += "Radius is " + cylinder.getRadius() + "\n";
17         output += "Height is " + cylinder.getHeight();
18
19         cylinder.setX( 35 ); // set new x coordinate
20         cylinder.setY( 20 ); // set new y coordinate
21         cylinder.setRadius( 4.25 ); // set new radius
22         cylinder.setHeight( 10.75 ); // set new height
23
24         // get String representation of new cylinder
25         output += "\n\nThe new location, radius and height of cylinder are\n" +
26         cylinder.toString();
27     }
28 }
```

Invoke indirectly inherited Point2 get methods.

Invoke directly inherited Circle4 get method.

Invoke Cylinder get method.

Invoke indirectly inherited Point3 set methods.

Invoke directly inherited Circle4 set methods.

Invoke Cylinder set method.

Invoke overridden toString method.

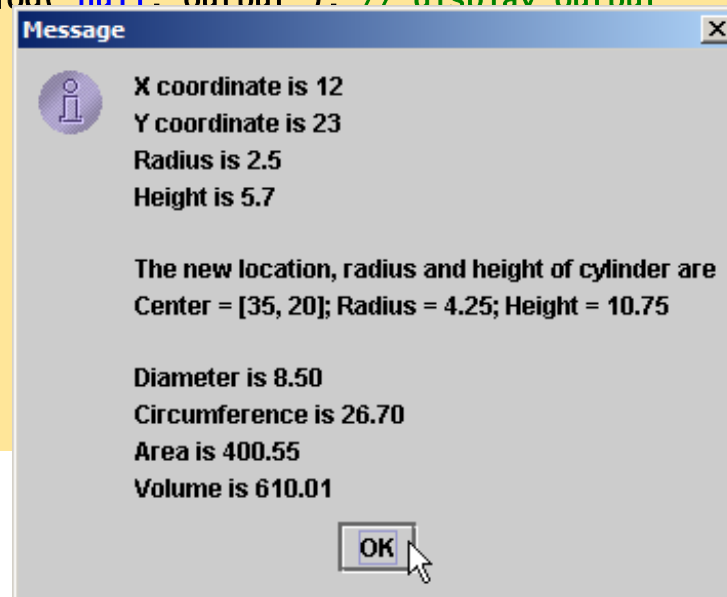


```

28 // format floating-point values with 2 digits of precision
29 DecimalFormat twoDigits = new DecimalFormat( "0.00" );
30
31 // get cylinder's diameter
32 output += "\n\nDiameter is " +
33     twoDigits.format( cylinder.getDiameter() );
34
35 // get cylinder's circumference
36 output += "\nCircumference is " +
37     twoDigits.format( cylinder.getCircumference() );
38
39 // get cylinder's area
40 output += "\nArea is " + twoDigits.format( cylinder.getArea() );
41
42 // get cylinder's volume
43 output += "\nVolume is " + twoDigits.format( cylinder.getVolume() );
44
45 JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null, output ); // display output
46
47 System.exit( 0 );
48
49 } // end main
50
51 } // end class CylinderTest

```

Invoke overridden getArea method.



# Constructors and Finalizers in Subclasses

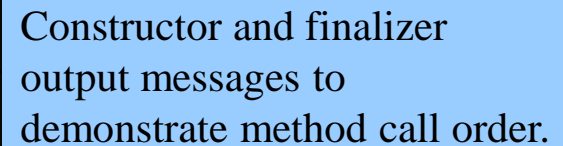
- Instantiating subclass object
  - Chain of constructor calls
    - subclass constructor invokes superclass constructor
      - Implicitly or explicitly
    - Base of inheritance hierarchy
      - Last constructor called in chain is `Object`'s constructor
      - Original subclass constructor's body finishes executing last
      - Example: `Point3/Circle4/Cylinder` hierarchy
        - `Point3` constructor called second last (last is `Object` constructor)
        - `Point3` constructor's body finishes execution second (first is `Object` constructor's body)

# Constructors and Destructors in Derived Classes

- Garbage collecting subclass object
  - Chain of `finalize` method calls
    - Reverse order of constructor chain
    - Finalizer of subclass called first
    - Finalizer of next superclass up hierarchy next
      - Continue up hierarchy until final superreached
        - After final superclass (`Object`) finalizer, object removed from memory

```
1 // Point class declaration represents an x-y coordinate pair.
```

```
2  
3  
4 public class Point {  
5     private int x; // x part of coordinate pair  
6     private int y; // y part of coordinate pair  
7  
8     // no-argument constructor  
9     public Point()  
10    {  
11        // implicit call to Object constructor occurs here  
12        System.out.println( "Point no-argument constructor: " + this );  
13    }  
14  
15    // constructor  
16    public Point( int xValue, int yValue )  
17    {  
18        // implicit call to Object constructor occurs here  
19        x = xValue; // no need for validation  
20        y = yValue; // no need for validation  
21  
22        System.out.println( "Point constructor: " + this );  
23    }  
24  
25    // finalizer  
26    protected void finalize()  
27    {  
28        System.out.println( "Point finalizer: " + this );  
29    }  
30
```

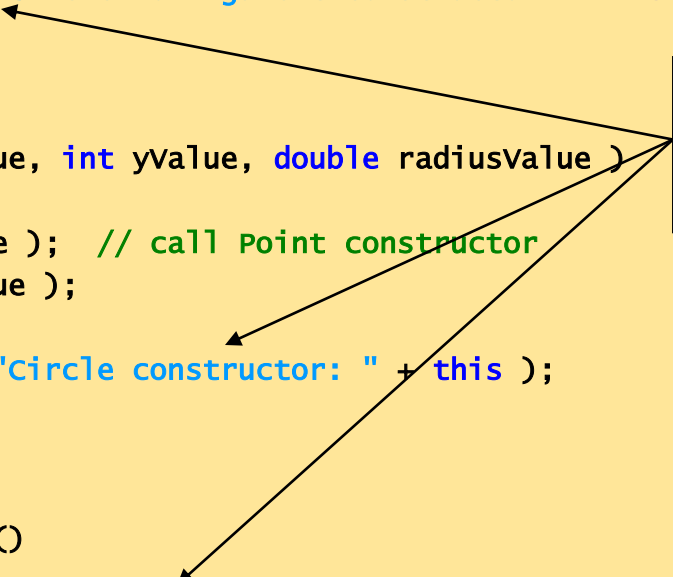


Constructor and finalizer  
output messages to  
demonstrate method call order.

```
31 // set x in coordinate pair
32 public void setX( int xvalue )
33 {
34     x = xvalue; // no need for validation
35 }
36
37 // return x from coordinate pair
38 public int getX()
39 {
40     return x;
41 }
42
43 // set y in coordinate pair
44 public void setY( int yvalue )
45 {
46     y = yvalue; // no need for validation
47 }
48
49 // return y from coordinate pair
50 public int getY()
51 {
52     return y;
53 }
54
55 // return String representation of Point4 object
56 public String toString()
57 {
58     return "[" + getX() + ", " + getY() + "]";
59 }
60
61 } // end class Point
```

```
1 // Fig. 9.18: Circle.java
2 // Circle5 class declaration.
3
4 public class Circle extends Point {
5
6     private double radius; // Circle's radius
7
8     // no-argument constructor
9     public Circle()
10    {
11        // implicit call to Point constructor occurs here
12        System.out.println( "Circle no-argument constructor: " + this );
13    }
14
15    // constructor
16    public Circle( int xValue, int yValue, double radiusValue )
17    {
18        super( xValue, yValue ); // call Point constructor
19        setRadius( radiusValue );
20
21        System.out.println( "Circle constructor: " + this );
22    }
23
24    // finalizer
25    protected void finalize()
26    {
27        System.out.println( "Circle finalizer: " + this );
28
29        super.finalize(); // call superclass finalize method
30    }
31
```

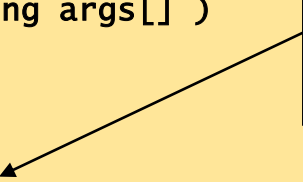
Constructor and finalizer  
output messages to  
demonstrate method call order.

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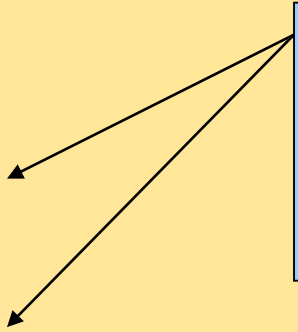
```
// set radius
public void setRadius( double radiusValue ) {
    radius = ( radiusValue < 0.0 ? 0.0 : radiusValue ); }
// return radius
public double getRadius() { return radius; }
// calculate and return diameter
public double getDiameter() { return 2 * getRadius(); }
// calculate and return circumference
public double getCircumference() { return Math.PI * getDiameter(); }
public double getArea()
    {
        return Math.PI * getRadius() * getRadius();
    }
    // return String representation of Circle5 object
public String toString()
    {
        return "Center = " + super.toString() + "; Radius = " +
getRadius();
    }
} // end class Circle
```

```
1 // Fig. 9.19: ConstructorFinalizerTest.java
2 // Display order in which superclass and subclass
3 // constructors and finalizers are called.
4
5 public class ConstructorFinalizerTest {
6
7     public static void main( String args[] )
8     {
9         Point point;
10        Circle circle1, circle2;
11
12        point = new Point( 11, 22 );
13
14        System.out.println();
15        circle1 = new Circle( 72, 29, 4.5 );
16
17        System.out.println();
18        circle2 = new Circle( 5, 7, 10.67 );
19
20        point = null;    // mark for garbage collection
21        circle1 = null; // mark for garbage collection
22        circle2 = null; // mark for garbage collection
23
24        System.out.println();
25
```

Point object goes in and out of scope immediately.



Instantiate two Circle objects to demonstrate order of subclass and superclass constructor/finalizer method calls.





```
26     system.gc(); // call the garbage collector
27
28     } // end main
29
30 } // end class ConstructorFinalizerTest
```

Point constructor: [11, 22]

Point constructor: Center = [72, 29]; Radius = 0.0  
Circle constructor: Center = [72, 29]; Radius = 4.5

Point constructor: Center = [5, 7]; Radius = 0.0  
Circle constructor: Center = [5, 7]; Radius = 10.67

Point finalizer: [11, 22]  
Circle finalizer: Center = [72, 29]; Radius = 4.5  
Point finalizer: Center = [72, 29]; Radius = 4.5  
Circle finalizer: Center = [5, 7]; Radius = 10.67  
Point finalizer: Center = [5, 7]; Radius = 10.67

Subclass `Circle` constructor body executes after superclass `Point4`'s constructor finishes execution.

Finalizer for `Circle` object called in reverse order of constructors.