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UNIT I :Introduction To OOPS

Topic : constructors





Constructors

Constructors have the same name as the class and do not have a return type.

A **default constructor** is automatically created by Java only if you do not define any constructor.

A **parameterized constructor** helps initialize objects with different values.

A **copy constructor** is useful when you want to duplicate an object.

Comparison of Constructors in Java

	Default Constructor	Parameterized Constructor	Copy Constructor
Definition	Constructor with no parameters	Constructor with parameters	Constructor that takes another object of same
Use	Initializes object with default values	Initializes object with user-defined values	Creates a new object by copying values of another object
Parameters	No	Yes	Yes (object reference)
Provided by Java?	Yes (if no constructor is written)	No (must be written by programmer)	No (must be written manually)
Example Call	<code>Student s1 = new Student();</code>	<code>Student s2 = new Student(101, "Ram");</code>	<code>Student s3 = new Student(s2);</code>

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public Student {
    int id;
    String name;
    // Default Constructor
    Student() {
        id = 0;
        name = "Default Student";
    }
}

```

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// Parameterized Constructor
Student(int i, String n) {
    id = i;
    name = n;
}

```

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// Copy Constructor
Student(Student s) {
    id = s.id;
    name = s.name;
}

```

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// Method to display values
void display() {
    System.out.println("ID: " + id + " Name: " + name);
}

```

Output

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Default Constructor Output:
ID: 0 Name: Default Student
Parameterized Constructor Output:
ID: 101 Name: Arun
Copy Constructor Output:
ID: 101 Name: Arun

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public static void main(String args[]) {

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    // Default constructor object
    Student s1 = new Student();

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    // Parameterized constructor object
    Student s2 = new Student(101, "Arun");

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    // Copy constructor object
    Student s3 = new Student(s2);

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    System.out.println("Default Constructor Output:");
    s1.display();

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    System.out.println("Parameterized Constructor
Output:");

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    s2.display();

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    System.out.println("Copy Constructor Output:");
    s3.display();

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    }
}

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class Main {  
  
    int a;  
    boolean b;  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        // calls default constructor  
        Main obj = new Main();  
  
        System.out.println("Default Value:");  
        System.out.println("a = " + obj.a);  
        System.out.println("b = " + obj.b);  
    }  
}
```

Default Value:

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a = 0  
b = false
```

Here, we haven't created any constructors.

Hence, the Java compiler automatically creates the default constructor.

The default constructor initializes any uninitialized instance variables with default values.

Assessment

- 1. List the types of constructors.**
- 2. What is default constructor? Give example.**
- 3. What is parameterized constructor? Give example.**
- 4. What is copy constructor? Give example.**

References

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Thank You

