Access Modifiers

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Variable Type

Access Scope

- public → accessed by any class in or out the package.
- default → accessed by all classes within the same package
- protected → by all subclasses within the same package
- private → cannot by accessed by any other class.

Class Methods or Instance Methods

```
private class Movie {
 private static float price = 3.5;
 private String rating;
 public static void setPrice (float newPrice)
 { price = newPrice ; }
                                 Movie.setPrice(9);
                                 Movie mov1 = new Movie();
 public float getPrice ()
                                 mov1.setPrice(9);
                                 float a = Movie.getPrice();// error
 { return price ; }
                                 float b = mov1.getPrice();
```

final Variables

- A final Variable is a constant.
- A final variable cannot be modified.
- A final variable must be initialized.
- A final variable is often public to allow external access.

final Classes

A final Class in one that cannot be inherited from.

final Methods

 A final Method is one that cannot be overridden in a subclass.

final Class example

```
public final class Color
{
    public final static Color Black = new Color (0,0,0);
    .....
}
```

Static variable is a global variable shared by all the instances of objects and it has only single copy. Final variable is a constant variable and it can't be changed.

Review: Access Modifiers

Modifier	Class	Package	Subclass	World
public	Y	Y	Y	Y
protected	Y	Y	Y	N
no modifier (package)	Y	Y	N	N
private	Y	N	N	N