

PHP Classes and Objects

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High level



Book class

Defines properties such as:
title, author, and number of pages

Objects (or instances of the Book class)

Each instance has its own title, author, and number of pages property values

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Terminology

The notion of programming with **objects** allows the developer to think about an item with particular

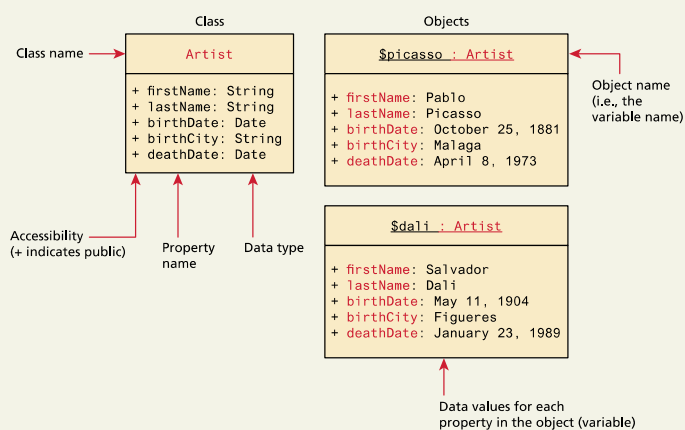
- **properties** (also called **attributes** or data members) and
- **methods (functions).**

The structure of these object is defined by **classes** , which outline the properties and methods like a blueprint.

Each variable created from a class is called an **object** or **instance**

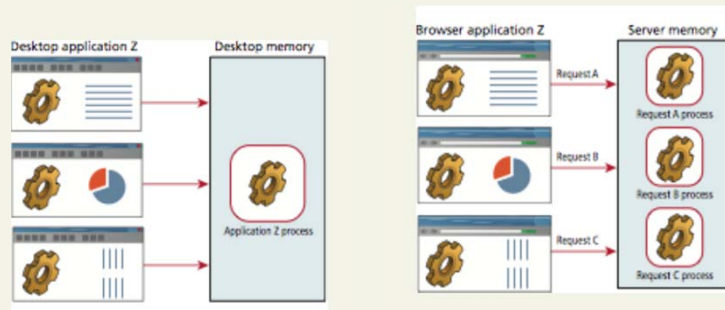
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The Unified Modeling Language



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Differences between Server and Desktop Objects



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Defining Classes

```
class Artist {  
    public $firstName;  
    public $lastName;  
    public $birthDate;  
    public $birthCity;  
    public $deathDate;  
}
```

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Instantiating Objects

Use the new keyword

```
$picasso = new Artist();  
$dali = new Artist();
```

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Properties

Once you have instances of an object, you can access and modify the properties using the object's variable name and an arrow (->)

```
$picasso = new Artist();
$dali = new Artist();
$picasso->firstName = "Pablo";
$picasso->lastName = "Picasso";
$picasso->birthCity = "Malaga";
$picasso->birthDate = "October 25 1881";
$picasso->deathDate = "April 8 1973";
```

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Constructors

```
class Artist {
    // variables from previous listing still go here
    function __construct($firstName, $lastName, $city, $birth,$death=null) {
        $this->firstName = $firstName;
        $this->lastName = $lastName;
        $this->birthCity = $city;
        $this->birthDate = $birth;
        $this->deathDate = $death;
    }
}
```

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Instantiating using constructors

```
$picasso = new Artist("Pablo", "Picasso", "Malaga", "Oct 25,1881", "Apr 8,1973");  
$dali = new Artist("Salvador", "Dali", "Figures", "May 11 1904", "Jan 23 1989");
```

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Method

Methods define the tasks each instance of a class can perform and are useful since they associate behavior with objects

```
class Artist {  
    //...  
    public function outputAsTable() {  
        //...  
    }  
}
```

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Updated UML (two ways to show constructor)

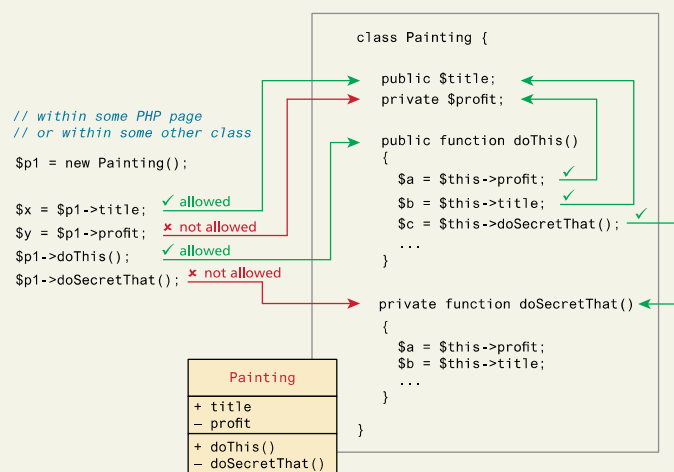
Artist	Artist
+ firstName: String + lastName: String + birthDate: Date + birthCity: String + deathDate: Date	+ firstName: String + lastName: String + birthDate: Date + birthCity: String + deathDate: Date
Artist(string,string,string,string,string) + outputAsTable () : String	__construct(string,string,string,string,string) + outputAsTable () : String

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Visibility



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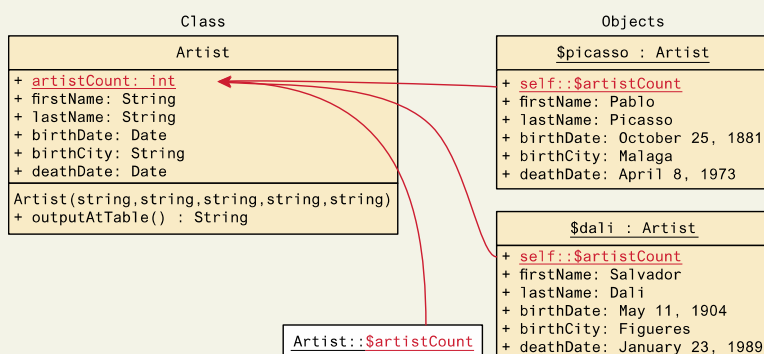
Static Members

A **static member** is a property or method that all instances of a class share.

Unlike an instance property, where each object gets its own value for that property, there is only one value for a class's static property, shared across all instances.

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Static Members



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Class Constants

constant values can be stored more efficiently as class constants so long as they are not calculated or updated

```
const EARLIEST_DATE = 'January 1, 1200';
```

They can be accessed both inside and outside the class using `self::EARLIEST_DATE` in the class and `classReference::EARLIEST_DATE`

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Data Encapsulation

Encapsulation generally refers to restricting access to an object's internal components. Another way of understanding encapsulation is: it is the hiding of an object's implementation details.

A properly encapsulated class will define an interface to the world in the form of its public methods, and leave its data, that is, its properties, hidden (i.e., private). This allows the class to control exactly how its data will be used.

The typical approach is to write methods for accessing and modifying properties rather than allowing them to be accessed directly. These methods are commonly called **getters and setters** (or accessors and mutators).

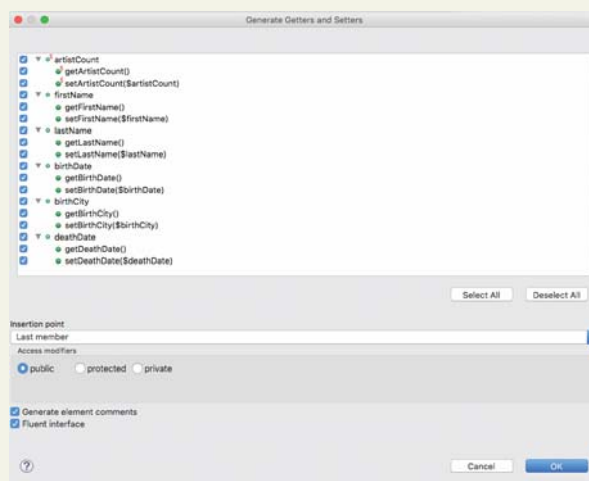
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Data Encapsulation

Artist
<pre> - artistCount: int - firstName: String - lastName: String - birthDate: Date - deathDate: Date - birthCity: String </pre>
<pre> Artist(string, string, string, string, string) + outputAsTable () : String + getFirstName() : String + getLastName() : String + getBirthCity() : String + getDeathCity() : String + getBirthDate() : Date + getDeathDate() : Date + getEarliestAllowedDate() : Date + getArtistCount() : int + setLastName(\$lastname) : void + setFirstName(\$firstname) : void + setBirthCity(\$birthCity) : void + setBirthDate(\$deathdate) : void + setDeathDate(\$deathdate) : void </pre>

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Generating Getters and Setters through an IDE



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Inheritance

Inheritance enables you to create new PHP classes that reuse, extend, and modify the behavior that is defined in another PHP class.

A class that is inheriting from another class is said to be a **subclass** or a **derived class**. The class that is being inherited from is typically called a **superclass** or a **base class**.

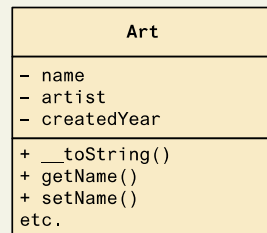
When a class inherits from another class, it inherits all of its public and protected methods and properties.

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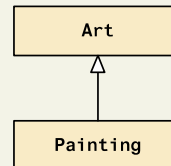
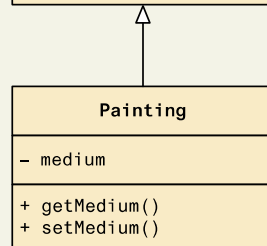
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Inheritance



class Painting extends Art { ... }

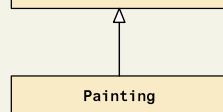
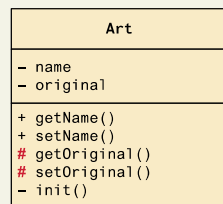


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Inheritance



```
class Painting extends Art {
  ...
  private function foo() {
    ...
    // these are allowed
    ✓ $w = parent::getName();
    ✓ $x = parent::getOriginal();

    // this is not allowed
    ✗ $y = parent::init();
  }
}
```

```
// in some page or other class
$p = new Painting();
$a = new Art();
```

```
// neither of these references are allowed
✗ $w = $p->getOriginal();
✗ $y = $a->getOriginal();
```

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Polymorphism

Polymorphism is the notion that an object can in fact be multiple things at the same time.

Conceptually, a sculpture is a work of art and a painting is a work of art.

```
$guernica = new Painting("1937",$picasso,"Guernica","Oil on canvas");
```

The variable `$guernica` is both a `Painting` object and an `Art` object due to its inheritance.

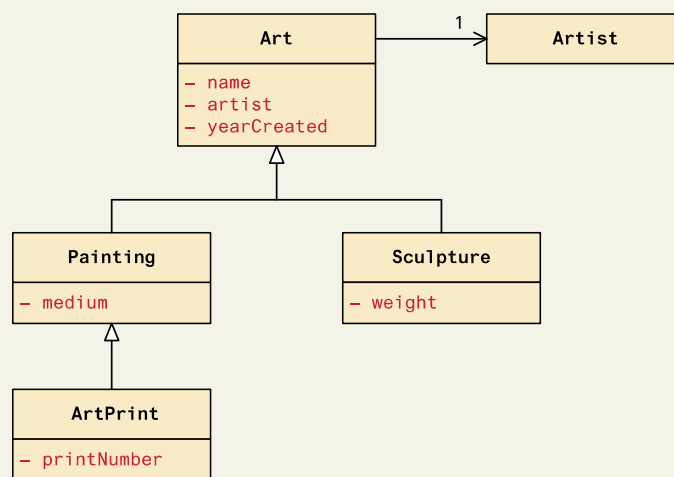
We can manage a list of `Art` objects, and call the same (overridden) method on each

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Polymorphism



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Object Interfaces

An object **interface** is a way of defining a formal list of methods that a class must implement without specifying their implementation.

```
interface Viewable {
    public function getSize();
    public function getPNG();
}
```

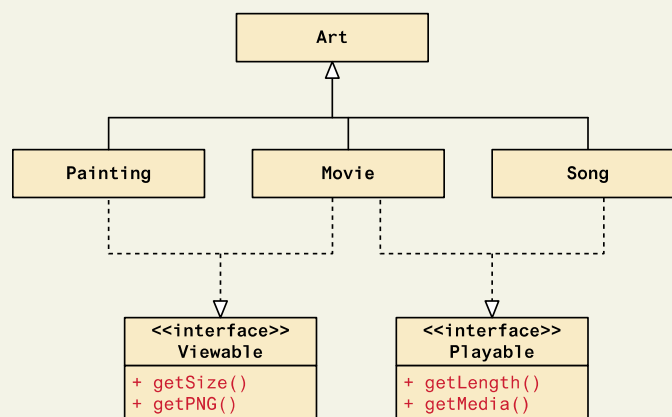
```
class Painting extends Art implements Viewable { ... }
```

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Interfaces in class diagram



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Key Terms

base class	instance	polymorphism
class	instantiate	properties
class member	Integrated Development Environment (IDE)	refactoring
constructor	interface	skeleton
data members	magic methods	static
derived class	methods	subclass
dynamic dispatching	naming conventions	superclass
encapsulation	objects	UML (Unified Modeling Language)
getters and setters		visibility
inheritance		

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