

4.3 Example: Volume of a Sphere

- Given the radius r , what is the weight of a ball (sphere) of wound twine?
- Object-Centered Design
 - display prompt for radius
 - read value for radius
 - compute weight of sphere
 - display results on screen
- Note this is generalized for sphere of arbitrary size

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Objects

Objects	Type	Kind	Name
Program	??	—	??
Screen	<code>Screen</code>	varying	<code>theScreen</code>
Prompt	<code>String</code>	constant	none
Radius	<code>double</code>	varying	<code>radius</code>
Keyboard	<code>Keyboard</code>	varying	<code>theKeyboard</code>
Weight	<code>double</code>	varying	<code>weight</code>
Sphere	??	varying	??

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Operations

- **Display** a `string` (prompt) on the screen
- **Read** a number from keyboard, store it in `radius`
- **Compute** `weight` using `radius`
- **Display** a number (`weight`) on screen

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New Class Required

- Java has no predefined operation for volume or weight of a sphere
 - Also no predefined sphere object
 - Solution:
 - build methods to calculate volume & weight
 - create a sphere class (*module*) to store the methods
- ```
class Sphere
{
 // method definitions
}
```
- We will need an additional variable object
    - `density` (`weight = density * volume`)

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## Volume Method – Objects

- Volume =  $4\pi r^3 / 3$
- Note
  - r is the only variable
  - 4, 3, and  $\pi$  are constants
- These (along with the result, volume) are the objects of this method

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## Volume Method – Operations and Algorithm

- Receive real value (*radius*) from caller
- Cube the real value (*radius*<sup>3</sup>)
- Multiply by 4.0 and by  $\pi$
- Divide by 3.0
- Return result  $4.0 * \pi * \text{radius}^3 / 3.0$

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## Defining the Class and Method

Can start with an empty class

```
class Sphere extends Object
{
}
```

and add a *method stub*

```
class Sphere extends Object
{
 public static double volume(double radius)
 {
 }
}
```

Compiler error – "no return statement" – will result. If this is the only error, we know the rest is okay. Or we could add a temporary "return 0" to method stub to avoid this.

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Then code the method's algorithm in the body of the method:

```
class Sphere extends Object
{
 public static double volume(double radius)
 {
 return 4.0 * Math.PI *
 Math.pow(radius, 3)/3.0;
 }
}
```

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And test the code with a simple driver like we did for our ellipse class:

```
//-- In same directory as the Sphere class
import ann.easyio.*;
class SphereDriver extends Object
{
 public static void main(String [] args)
 {
 Screen theScreen = new Screen();
 Keyboard theKeyboard = new Keyboard();

 theScreen.print("Enter radius of a sphere: ");
 double radius = theKeyboard.readDouble();

 theScreen.println("\nThe volume is " +
 Sphere.volume(radius));
 }
}
```

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## Mass Method

- **mass = density \* volume(radius)**
  - **density** and **radius** are the values received by the method
  - **volume** is a call to the volume method
  - **mass** is the result to be returned
- These are the objects of the method

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## Mass Algorithm

- **Receive:**
  - radius
  - density
- **Multiply** density times value returned by call to volume method
- **Return** these results

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## Define the Mass Method

```
class Sphere extends Object
{
 public static double volume(double radius)
 { . . . }

 public static double mass
 (double radius, double density)
 {
 return density * volume(radius);
 }
}
```

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## Algorithm for Main Method

- Construct `theKeyboard`, `theScreen`
- `theScreen` displays prompt for `radius`
- `theKeyboard` reads double value into `radius`
- `theScreen` displays prompt for `density`
- `theKeyboard` reads a double into `density`
- Compute `weight`, using `mass()` method from class `Sphere`
- `theScreen` displays `weight` and descriptive text

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## Test the Mass Method

```
//-- In same directory as the Sphere class
import ann.easyio.*;

class SphereDriver extends Object
{
 public static void main(String [] args)
 {
 Screen theScreen = new Screen();
 Keyboard theKeyboard = new Keyboard();

 theScreen.print("Enter radius of a sphere: ");
 double radius = theKeyboard.readDouble();
 theScreen.println("\nThe volume is " +
 Sphere.volume(radius));

 theScreen.print("Enter density: ");
 double density = theKeyboard.readDouble();
 theScreen.println("\nThe mass is " +
 Sphere.mass(radius, density));
 }
}
```

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## Code and Teste `SphereWeigher` Class for Original Problem

- Note source code in [Figure 4.5](#)
  - Delete `import Sphere class;`  
Put `Sphere` class in same directory as the [client program](#)
  - How it uses methods from `Sphere` class

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```
/** SphereWeigher.java computes the weight of an arbitrary sphere.
 * Input: radius and density, both doubles.
 * Output: the weight of the sphere.
 */
import ann.easyio.*; // Keyboard, Screen, ...
import Sphere;

class SphereWeigher extends Object
{
 public static void main(String [] args)
 {
 Screen theScreen = new Screen();
 theScreen.print("\nTo compute the weight of a sphere,"
 + "\n enter its radius (in feet): ");

 Keyboard theKeyboard = new Keyboard();
 double radius = theKeyboard.readDouble();

 theScreen.print(" enter its density (in pounds/cubic foot): ");
 double density = theKeyboard.readDouble();

 double weight = Sphere.mass(radius, density);

 theScreen.print("\nThe sphere's weight is approximately ")
 .printFormatted(weight).println(" pounds.");
 }
}
```

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```

/** Sphere.java provides a class to represent Sphere objects.
 * Contains static methods volume() and mass().
 */

class Sphere extends Object
{
 /** Static method to compute sphere's volume
 * Receive: radius, a double.
 * Precondition: radius > 0
 * Return: the volume of a sphere of the given radius
 */
 public static double volume(double radius)
 {
 return 4.0 * Math.PI * Math.pow(radius, 3) / 3.0;
 }

 /** Static method to compute sphere's volume
 * Receive: radius, a double.
 * Precondition: radius > 0
 * Return: the volume of a sphere of the given radius
 */
 public static double mass(double radius, double density)
 {
 return density * volume(radius);
 }
}

```

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### Sample run:

```

To compute the weight of a sphere,
enter its radius (in feet): 6.5
enter its density (in pounds/cubic foot): 14.6

The sphere's weight is approximately 16,795.059 pounds.

```

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## 4.4 Methods: A Summary

- Specify a parameter for each value received by the method
- Value supplied to the parameter when method invoked is called an argument
- Arguments matched with parameters from left to right
  - must be same number of arguments
  - types must match (be compatible)

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- If argument is a reference type, address is copied to parameter
  - both parameter and argument refer to same object
- Instance (object) methods defined without the **static** modifier
  - messages invoking them are sent to an instance of the class
- When **method1 ()** calls **method2 ()**, control returns to **method1 ()** when **method2 ()** finishes

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- Local objects are defined only while method containing them is executing
- `void` is use to specify return type of a method which returns no values
- Value is returned from a method to the call using the `return` statement

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