

## [Arrays of Objects]

The two level referencing

→ it is an array of references

so before the creation the default value of the reference array variable is null and can't be accessed without creation

→ if accessed without creation → (null exception)  
runtime error ✓

→ if the array is called (student)

each object will have the name student[i]

and every thing relating to the object inside it will be accessed by this name ✓

## [Immutable objects]

referring to the object whose contents cannot be changed once that object is created.

immutable object ↔ immutable class

✓ nothing except private data fields

✓ no mutators

✓ no accessors for references





② Used to invoke a constructor

أحياناً يحتاج إلى بناء constructor جواد واحد  
كأنه، بسبب كتابة وظائفه، فنحن  
نستخدم this كجزء من بناءه.

① invocation ← this (arg-list)  
تكون الطريقة من ال constructor قبل أي  
statement



# [Method Abstraction + Stepwise Refinement]

[Abstraction]

i.e. implementation details

use of

public access

Information hiding or encapsulation ✓

The client code use a method without knowing how it is implemented ✓

↳ only needs to know what it takes in the arg-list and what it returns

\* you can change the implementation of the method without affecting the client code [because the job of the method is still the same and you do not change the signature]

# [Stepwise Refinement]

also known as **divide-and-conquer** strategy ✓

the large program is decomposed into subproblems, and the subproblems themselves can be decomposed into smaller more manageable.

## [Special Study] ⇒ class Abstraction and Encapsulation

(i) The user side:-

→ user does not need to ~~be~~ know how the class is implemented

→ details of implementations are hidden from the user and this is known as [class encapsulation]

Thus, the class is known as [ADT]   
 Abstract Data Type ✓



## ② creator side

→ the creator describes the function of the class to the user (and how the class can be used)

### [class contract]

signature of public methods and fields and constants that are accessible from outside the class [with the description of how they are expected to behave]



## Object-Oriented

### 1] Focuses on:

→ coupling data and methods together into objects  
 [Software design using object-oriented paradigm, focuses on objects and operations on them]

### 2] Data and operations on them:

→ can be gathered in objects  
 → can be reusable codes

### 3] Limitations: (no limitations)

→ data are coupled by creating objects  
 (individual objects)

## Procedural

### 1] Focuses on:

→ designing methods

### 2] Data and operations on them:

→ are separate, requiring data to be passed to methods.  
 → cannot be reusable ~~until it is~~ until it is (the code) put in a method (static)  
 the reason they are not reusable is that the code is in the main

### 3] Limitations: -

→ you cannot associate declared things with some defined objects

variables can be declared but not coupled under meaningful object