Using Classes

Writing `class Geometry`

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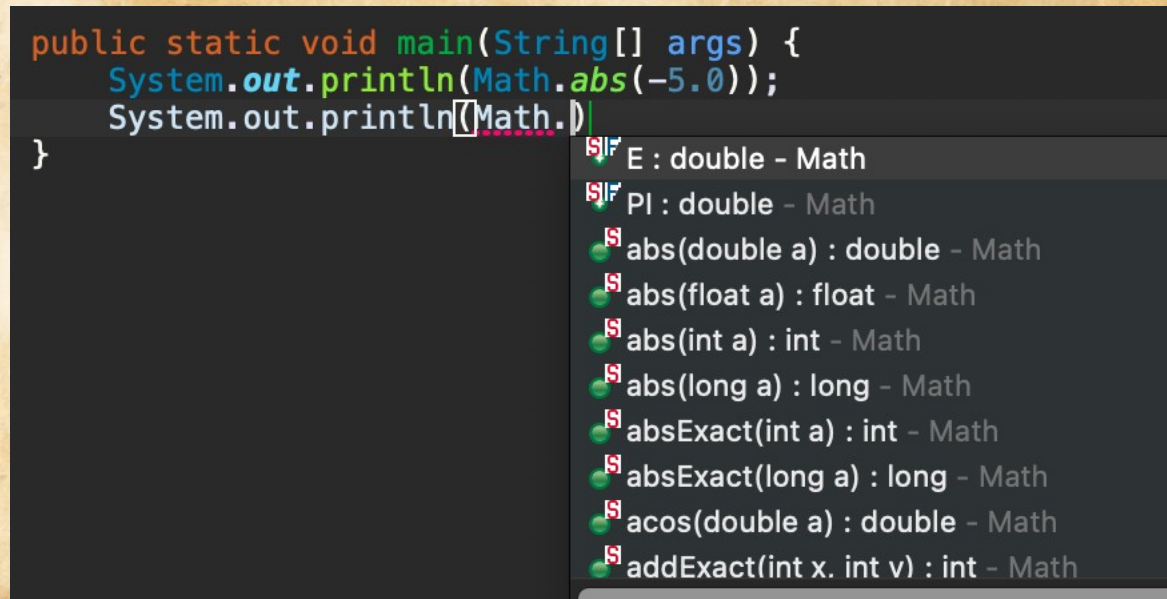
Java Class Library

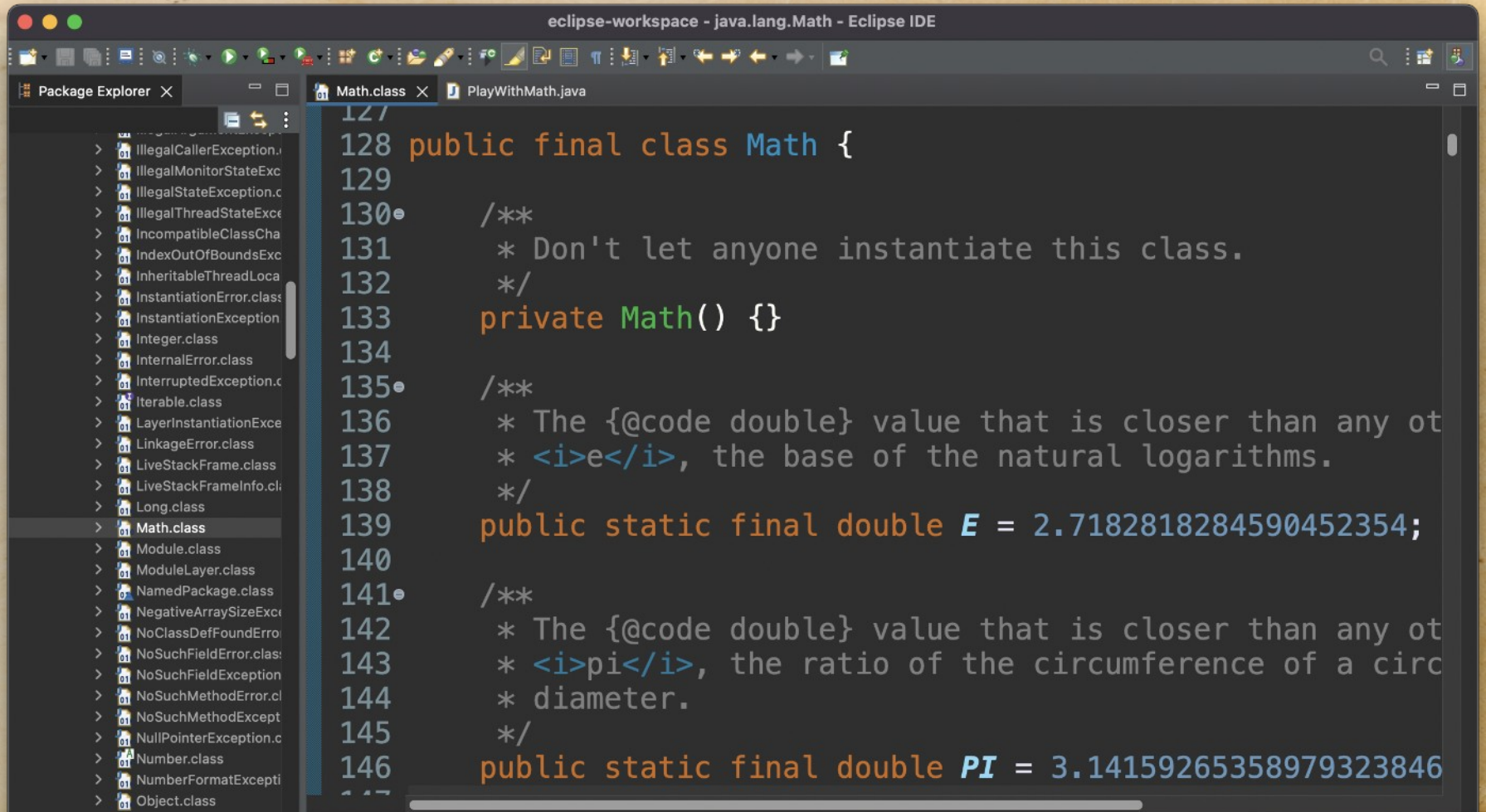
- Java Class Library (JCL) is part of the Java Development Kit (JDK)
  - A comprehensive collection of pre-built classes and methods
  - Provides essential functionality for Java applications
  - Includes functionality in classes, for example:
    - `Math` (which we'll discuss in this slide show)
    - `Array` (sorting, etc.)
    - `File` (for file I/O)
    - `ArrayList`
    - `HashMap`

`Math` Methods and Constants

- **Methods**
  - `Math.abs(-5);`
  - `Math.sqrt(2.0);`
  - `Math.min(3, 5);`
  - `Math.max(3, 5);`
  - `Math.sin(3.14);`
  - `Math.asin(0.5);`
  - `Math.pow(2, 5);`
  - `Math.random();`
- **Constants**
  - `Math.PI`
  - `Math.E`



- You can view the code of the `Math` class and compare it to the classes we write.



Vocabulary - ***refactor***

- To ***refactor*** is to improve the internal structure or design of existing code without changing its behavior.
- *Refactoring* includes:
  - **Renaming** variables, methods or classes to make their purpose more clear
  - **Reorganizing code** to improve structure or readability
  - **Extracting** methods to simplify code (break it into smaller parts)
  - **Consolidating** code by moving duplication into common methods
  - **Improving comments**
  - **Optimizing** algorithms
  - Replacing ***magic numbers*** (literal numbers) with constants.
  - **Simplifying** conditional expressions, loops, etc.

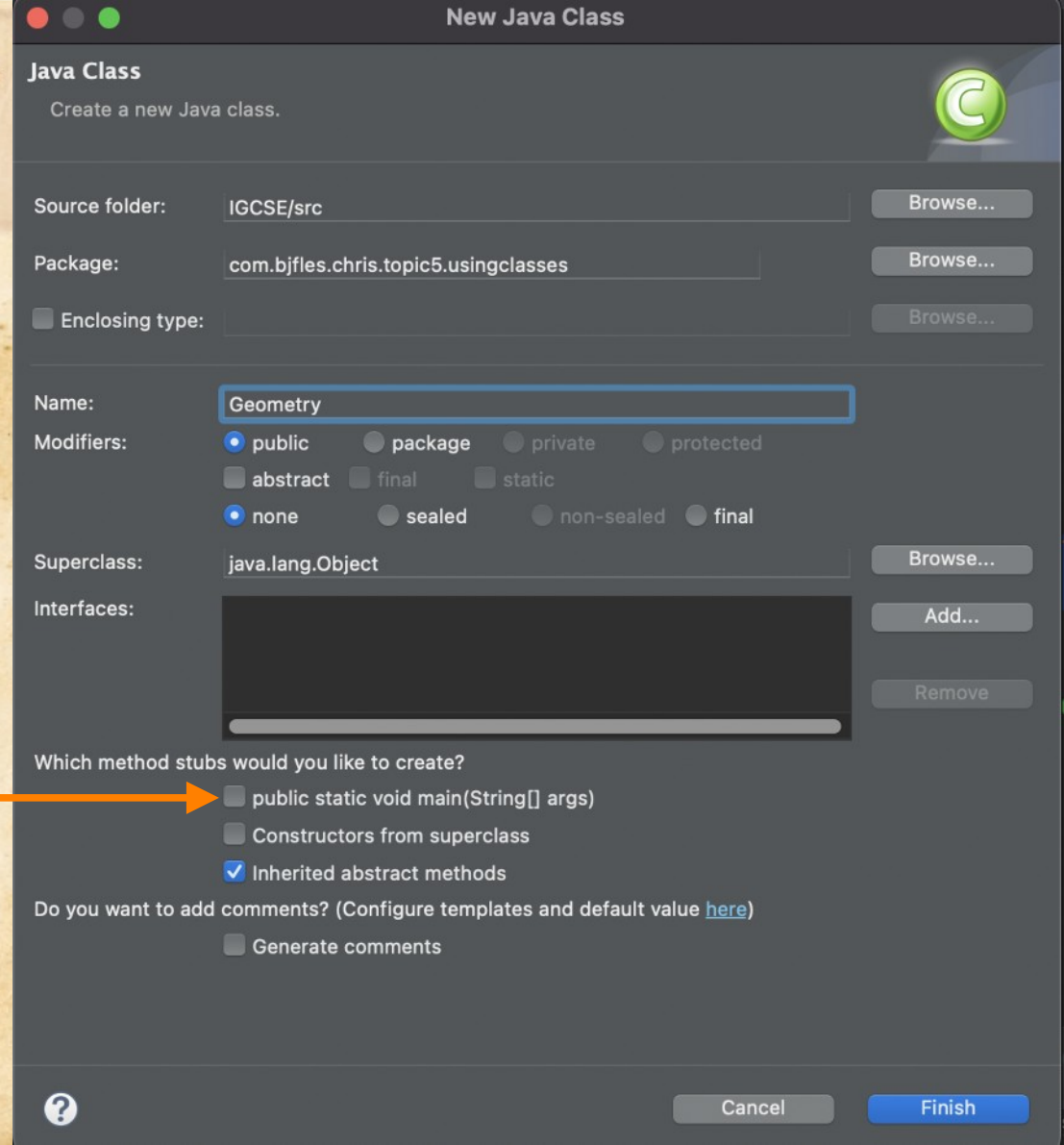
Refactoring `Geometry` Class

- To ***refactor*** is to improve the internal structure or design of existing code without changing its behavior.
- We will ***refactor*** the code from `UsingMath` into two new classes:
  - A `Geometry` class
  - A `UsingGeometry` class.
- This is an exercise in separating code that serves a common function into its own class.

`class Geometry`

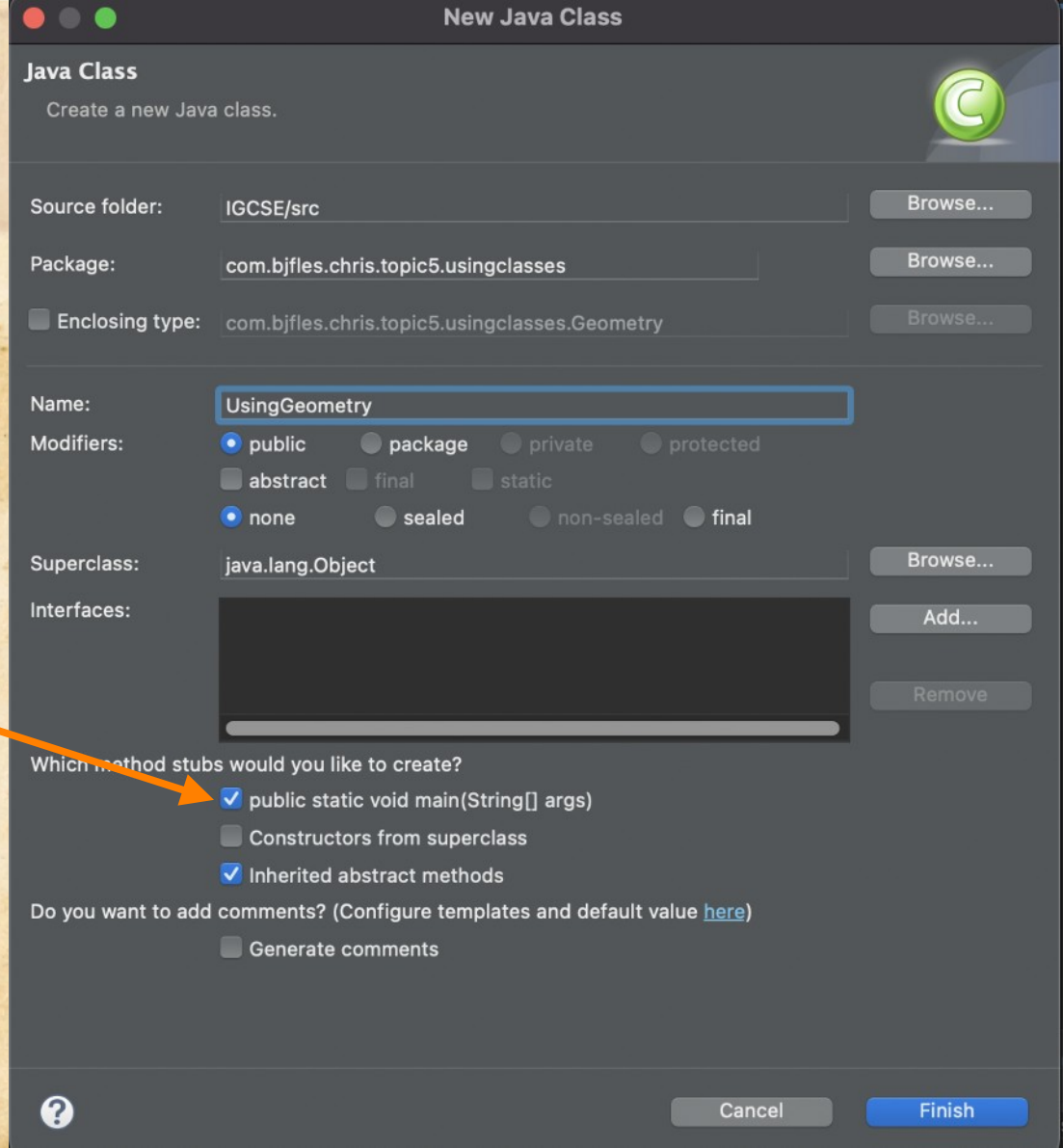
- Create a new `Geometry` class, but do ***not*** add a `main` method.

Selecting this will add template code for the **`main`** method, which is where the Java program will start running.



`Geometry` Class

- Create a second class named `UsingGeometry`, this time *do* add a `main` method.
  - The `Geometry` and `UsingGeometry` must be in the same package for this exercise.



Refactoring `class Geometry`

- Copy your methods `calculateCircumference` and `calculateCircleArea` from your `UsingMath` into your `Geometry` class.
- Copy the code from your `main` method in `UsingMath` into your `UsingGeometry`.
- Append "`Geometry.`" to the beginning of each method call in your `main` method in the `UsingGeometry` so that the compiler knows where to find those methods.
- Run `UsingGeometry` and ensure it is working correctly. The output should be the same as it was for your `UsingMath`.

Expanding `class Geometry`

- Add a method `hyptoenuseLength` to your `Geometry` class. Have it take two parameters of type `double`, representing the two legs of a right-angle triangle, and use those two values to calculate and return the length of the hypotenuse, again as type `double`. Recall that formula for this is:

$$h = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

- Test your method by calling `hypotenuseLength` from your `UsingGeometry` class, perhaps using the values `a = 3.0` and `b = 4.0`, since we know the solution should be `h = 5.0`.

Final Output

- The final output of you UsingGeometry class should be:

```
The value of pi is: 3.141592653589793
The circumference of a circle of radius 5.0 is equal to 31.41592653589793.
The area of a circle of radius 5.0 is equal to 78.53981633974483.
A right-angle triangle with side lengths of 3.0 and 4.0 has a hypotenuse length 5.0.
```

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