

CSC 222: Object-Oriented Programming

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Inheritance & polymorphism

- inheritance, derived classes
- inheriting fields & methods, overriding fields and methods
- IS-A relationship, polymorphism
- super methods, super constructor
- instanceof, downcasting
- examples: ColoredDie, SortedArrayList

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Interfaces & polymorphism

recall that interfaces

- define a set of methods that a class must implement in order to be "certified"
- any class that implements those methods and declares itself is "certified"

```
public class myList<E> implements List<E> {  
    . . .  
}
```

- can use the interface name in place of a class name when declaring variables or passing values to methods

```
List<String> words = new MyList<String>();  
  
public int sum(List<Integer> data) {  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < data.size(); i++) {  
        sum += data.get(i);  
    }  
    return sum;  
}
```

- polymorphism refers to the fact that the same method call (e.g., `size` or `get`) can refer to different pieces of code when called on different objects
- enables the creation of generic libraries (e.g., `Collections`)

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Inheritance

a closely related mechanism for polymorphic behavior is *inheritance*

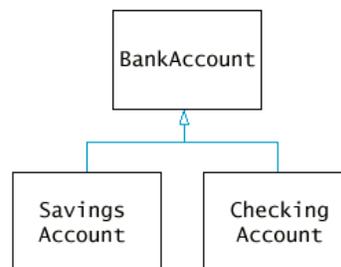
- one of the most powerful techniques of object-oriented programming
- allows for large-scale code reuse

with inheritance, you can derive a new class from an existing one

- automatically inherit all of the fields and methods of the existing class
- only need to add fields and/or methods for new functionality

example:

- *savings account* is a bank account with interest
- *checking account* is a bank account with transaction fees



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BankAccount class

here is an implementation of a basic BankAccount class

- stores account number and current balance
- uses static field to assign each account a unique number
- accessor methods provide access to account number and balance
- deposit and withdraw methods allow user to update the balance
- toString method for printing

```
public class BankAccount {
    private double balance;
    private int accountNumber;
    private static int nextNumber = 1;

    public BankAccount() {
        this.balance = 0;
        this.accountNumber =
            BankAccount.nextNumber;
        BankAccount.nextNumber++;
    }

    public int getAccountNumber() {
        return this.accountNumber;
    }

    public double getBalance() {
        return this.balance;
    }

    public void deposit(double amount) {
        this.balance += amount;
    }

    public void withdraw(double amount) {
        if (amount >= this.balance) {
            this.balance -= amount;
        }
    }

    public String toString() {
        return this.getAccountNumber() +
            ": $" + this.getBalance();
    }
}
```

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BankAccount example

like any other class

- can declare variables of type BankAccount
- can call methods on those objects

```
BankAccount acc1 = new BankAccount();
acc1.deposit(50.00);
System.out.println(acc1);
```

```
BankAccount acc2 = new BankAccount();
double amount = acc1.withdraw(12.50);
acc2.deposit(amount);
```

```
public class BankAccount {
    private double balance;
    private int accountNumber;
    private static int nextNumber = 1;

    public BankAccount() {
        this.balance = 0;
        this.accountNumber =
            BankAccount.nextNumber;
        BankAccount.nextNumber++;
    }

    public int getAccountNumber() {
        return this.accountNumber;
    }

    public double getBalance() {
        return this.balance;
    }

    public void deposit(double amount) {
        this.balance += amount;
    }

    public void withdraw(double amount) {
        if (amount >= this.balance) {
            this.balance -= amount;
        }
    }

    public String toString() {
        return this.getAccountNumber() +
            ": $" + this.getBalance();
    }
}
```

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Specialty bank accounts

now we want to implement SavingsAccount and CheckingAccount

- a savings account is a bank account with an associated interest rate, interest is calculated and added to the balance periodically
- could copy-and-paste the code for BankAccount, then add a field for interest rate and a method for adding interest

- a checking account is a bank account with some number of free transactions, with a fee charged for subsequent transactions
- could copy-and-paste the code for BankAccount, then add a field to keep track of the number of transactions and a method for deducting fees

disadvantages of the copy-and-paste approach

- tedious work
- lots of duplicate code – *code drift* is a distinct possibility
 - if you change the code in one place, you have to change it everywhere or else lose consistency (e.g., add customer name to the bank account info)
- limits polymorphism (will demonstrate later)

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SavingsAccount class

inheritance provides a better solution

- can define a SavingsAccount to be a special kind of BankAccount inherits common features (balance, account #, deposit, withdraw, toString)
- simply add the new features specific to a savings account need to store interest rate, provide method for adding interest to the balance
- general form for inheritance:

```
public class DERIVED_CLASS extends EXISTING_CLASS {  
    ADDITIONAL_FIELDS  
    ADDITIONAL_METHODS  
}
```

note: the derived class does not explicitly list fields/methods from the existing class (a.k.a. parent class) – they are inherited and automatically accessible

```
public class SavingsAccount extends BankAccount {  
    private double interestRate;  
  
    public SavingsAccount(double rate) {  
        this.interestRate = rate;  
    }  
  
    public void addInterest() {  
        double interest =  
            this.getBalance()*this.interestRate/100;  
        this.deposit(interest);  
    }  
}
```

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Using inheritance

```
BankAccount generic = new BankAccount();           // creates bank account with 0.0 balance  
generic.deposit(120.0);                             // adds 120.0 to balance  
generic.withdraw(20.0);                             // deducts 20.0 from balance  
System.out.println(generic.getBalance());           // displays current balance: 100.0
```

```
SavingsAccount passbook = new SavingsAccount(3.5); // creates savings account, 3.5% interest  
passbook.deposit(120.0);                           // calls inherited deposit method  
passbook.withdraw(20.0);                           // calls inherited withdraw method  
System.out.println(passbook.getBalance());           // calls inherited getBalance method  
passbook.addInterest();                             // calls new addInterest method  
System.out.println(passbook.getBalance());           // displays 103.5
```

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CheckingAccount class

can also define a class that models a checking account

- again, inherits basic features of a bank account
- assume some number of free transactions
- after that, each transaction entails a fee
- must *override* the deposit and withdraw methods to also keep track of transactions
- can call the versions from the parent class using `super`

`super.PARENT_METHOD();`

```
public class CheckingAccount extends BankAccount {
    private int transactionCount;
    private static final int NUM_FREE = 3;
    private static final double TRANS_FEE = 2.0;

    public CheckingAccount() {
        this.transactionCount = 0;
    }

    public void deposit(double amount) {
        super.deposit(amount);
        this.transactionCount++;
    }

    public void withdraw(double amount) {
        super.withdraw(amount);
        this.transactionCount++;
    }

    public void deductFees() {
        if (this.transactionCount > CheckingAccount.NUM_FREE) {
            double fees =
                CheckingAccount.TRANS_FEE *
                (this.transactionCount - CheckingAccount.NUM_FREE);
            super.withdraw(fees);
        }
        this.transactionCount = 0;
    }
}
```

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Interfaces & inheritance

recall that with interfaces

- can have multiple classes that implement the same interface
- can use a variable of the interface type to refer to any object that implements it

```
List<String> words1 = new ArrayList<String>();
List<String> words2 = new LinkedList<String>();
```

- can use the interface type for a parameter, pass any object that implements it

```
public void DoSomething(List<String> words) {
    . . .
}
```

```
DoSomething(words1);
```

```
DoSomething(words2);
```

the same capability holds with inheritance

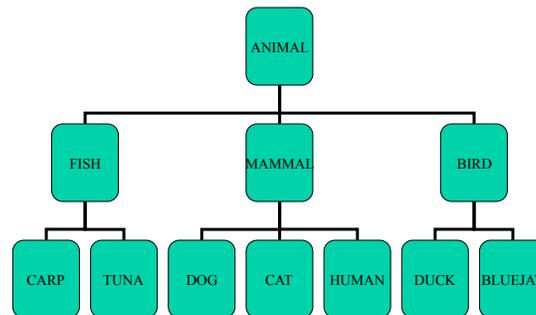
- could assign a `SavingsAccount` object to a variable of type `BankAccount`
- could pass a `CheckingAccount` object to a method with a `BankAccount` parameter

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IS-A relationship

the IS-A relationship holds when inheriting

- an object of the derived class is still an object of the parent class
- anywhere an object of the parent class is expected, can provide a derived object
- consider a real-world example of inheritance: animal classification



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Polymorphism

in our example

- a SavingsAccount is-a BankAccount (with some extra functionality)
- a CheckingAccount is-a BankAccount (with some extra functionality)
- whatever you can do to a BankAccount (e.g., deposit, withdraw), you can do with a SavingsAccount or Checking account
 - derived classes can certainly do more (e.g., addInterest for SavingsAccount)
 - derived classes may do things differently (e.g., deposit for CheckingAccount)

polymorphism: the same method call can refer to different methods when called on different objects

- the compiler is smart enough to call the appropriate method for the object

```
BankAccount acc1 = new SavingsAccount(4.0);
BankAccount acc2 = new CheckingAccount();

acc1.deposit(100.0); // calls the method defined in BankAccount
acc2.deposit(100.0); // calls the method defined in CheckingAccount
```

- allows for general-purpose code that works on a class hierarchy

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```

import java.util.ArrayList;

public class Portfolio {
    private ArrayList<BankAccount> accounts;

    public Portfolio() {
        this.accounts = new ArrayList<BankAccount>();
    }

    public void addAccount(BankAccount acc) {
        this.accounts.add(acc);
    }

    public double getTotalBalance() {
        double total = 0.0;
        for (BankAccount acc : this.accounts) {
            total += acc.getBalance();
        }
        return total;
    }

    public boolean addToAccount(int accountNumber, double amount) {
        for (BankAccount acc : this.accounts) {
            if (acc.getAccountNumber() == accountNumber) {
                acc.deposit(amount);
                return true;
            }
        }
        return false;
    }

    public String toString() {
        String text = "";
        for (BankAccount acc : this.accounts) {
            text += acc + "\n";
        }
        return text;
    }
}

```

Example use

note: the inputs to addAccount can be BankAccounts, SavingsAccounts, or CheckingAccounts

- the methods only assume the common BankAccount methods
- each object contains references to its own methods, so the correct version is called each time

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In-class exercise

define the BankAccount, SavingsAccount, and CheckingAccount classes

create objects of each class and verify their behaviors

are account numbers consecutive regardless of account type?

- should they be?

what happens if you attempt to withdraw more than the account holds?

- is it ever possible to have a negative balance?

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Another example: colored dice

```
public class Die {
    private int numSides;
    private int numRolls;

    public Die(int sides) {
        this.numSides = sides;
        this.numRolls = 0;
    }

    public int roll() {
        this.numRolls++;
        return (int)(Math.random()*this.numSides)+1;
    }

    public int getNumSides() {
        return this.numSides;
    }

    public int getNumRolls() {
        return this.numRolls;
    }
}
```

we already have a class that models a simple (non-colored) die

- can extend that class by adding a color field and an accessor method
- need to call the constructor for the Die class to initialize the numSides and numRolls fields

`super (ARGS) ;`

```
public enum DieColor {
    RED, WHITE
}

public class ColoredDie extends Die {
    private DieColor dieColor;

    public ColoredDie(int sides, DieColor c){
        super(sides);
        this.dieColor = c;
    }

    public DieColor getColor() {
        return this.dieColor;
    }
}
```

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ColoredDie example

consider a game in which you roll a collection of dice and sum their values

- there is one "bonus" red die that counts double

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.Collections;

public class RollGame1 {
    private static final int NUM_DICE = 5;

    private ArrayList<ColoredDie> dice;

    public RollGame1() {
        this.dice = new ArrayList<ColoredDie>();

        this.dice.add(new ColoredDie(6, DieColor.RED));
        for (int i = 1; i < RollGame1.NUM_DICE; i++) {
            this.dice.add(new ColoredDie(6, DieColor.WHITE));
        }
        Collections.shuffle(dice);
    }

    public int rollPoints() {
        int total = 0;
        for (ColoredDie d : this.dice) {
            int roll = d.roll();
            if (d.getColor() == DieColor.RED) {
                total += 2*roll;
            }
            else {
                total += roll;
            }
        }
        return total;
    }
}
```

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instanceof

if you need to determine the specific type of an object

- use the instanceof operator
- can then downcast from the general to the more specific type
- note: the roll method is defined for all Die types, so can be called regardless
- however, before calling getColor you must downcast to ColoredDie

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.Collections;

public class RollGame2 {
    private ArrayList<Die> dice;
    private static final int NUM_DICE = 5;

    public RollGame2() {
        this.dice = new ArrayList<Die>();

        this.dice.add(new ColoredDie(6, DieColor.RED));
        for (int i = 1; i < RollGame2.NUM_DICE; i++) {
            this.dice.add(new Die(6));
        }
        Collections.shuffle(dice);
    }

    public int rollPoints() {
        int total = 0;
        for (Die d : this.dice) {
            int roll = d.roll();
            total += roll;
            if (d instanceof ColoredDie) {
                ColoredDie cd = (ColoredDie)d;
                if (cd.getColor() == DieColor.RED) {
                    total += roll;
                }
            }
        }
        return total;
    }
}
```

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SortedArrayList

recall our earlier discussions on searching and sorting

- if you simply add new values to the end of an ArrayList, then
add method $\rightarrow O(1)$ indexOf method $\rightarrow O(N)$
- if you add values in the proper, sorted order (assuming they are Comparable), then
add method $\rightarrow O(N)$ indexOf method $\rightarrow O(\log N)$

we could define a SortedArrayList class that keeps its elements sorted

- most methods would behave exactly as they did for ArrayList
e.g., size, get, remove, clear, toString
- some would need to be overridden to maintain & take advantage of order

add? set? indexOf?

to avoid duplication and code drift, can utilize inheritance to build off the existing class

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SortedArrayList

- no new fields, so just call the super constructor to initialize
- add can use binary search to find the location where the item should go, then super.add to add it there
- set has to keep the list sorted, so easiest to remove then add
- indexOf can use binary search
- note that indexOf takes an Object as parameter
- can't use instanceof on a generic type, but can get by with try/catch

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.Collections;

public class SortedArrayList<E extends Comparable<? super E>>
    extends ArrayList<E> {
    public SortedArrayList() {
        super();
    }

    public boolean add(E item) {
        int index = Collections.binarySearch(this, item);
        if (index < 0) {
            index = -index - 1;
        }
        super.add(index, item);
        return true;
    }

    public E set(int index, E item) {
        E oldItem = this.remove(index);
        this.add(item);
        return oldItem;
    }

    public int indexOf(Object item) {
        try {
            int index = Collections.binarySearch(this, (E)item);
            if (index >= 0) {
                return index;
            }
            return -1;
        }
        catch (ClassCastException e) {
            return -1;
        }
    }
}
```

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Power of inheritance

note that you can extend a class without any knowledge of its internals

- we didn't need to know anything about ArrayList's implementation to extend to SortedArrayList
 - ✓ just needed to know which methods to override
 - ✓ even if overridden, could still call parent method using super
- don't even need to have access to the source code
 - ✓ suppose it was proprietary code – no problem!

taking advantage of polymorphism, can define methods or data structures that work on a whole family of classes

- Collections.sort will work on any List of Comparable values
 - ✓ includes predefined classes ArrayList & LinkedList
 - ✓ now includes the new SortedArrayList class
 - ✓ can be extended to classes that haven't even been invented yet!
- similarly, an ArrayList<Die> object can contain Die objects or ColoredDie objects

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OO summary

interfaces & inheritance both provide mechanism for class hierarchies

- enable the grouping of multiple classes under a single name
- an interface only specifies the methods that must be provided
each class that implements the interface must provide those methods
a class can implement more than one interface
- a derived class can inherit fields & methods from its parent
can have additional fields & methods for extended functionality
can even override existing methods if more specific versions are appropriate

the IS-A relationship holds using both interfaces & inheritance

- if class C implements interface I, an instance of C "is a(n)" instance of I
- if class C extends parent class P, an instance of C "is a(n)" instance of P
- *polymorphism*: `obj.method()` can refer to different methods when called on different objects in the hierarchy

e.g., `savAcct.withdraw(20);` `chkAcct.withdraw(20);`

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