

AP-CSA Heritance

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Object-oriented Programming

Object-oriented programming has three main features:

- Objects have data (fields) and behavior (methods) and do the work in an object-oriented program.
- Inheritance allows for cleaner code since a class can inherit fields and behavior from another class instead of copying code from class to class.
- Polymorphism allows for specialized behavior based on the run-time type.



REVIEW CLASS AND OBJECT

All objects created by the same class have the same fields and methods.

- -A field is something the object knows about itself
- -A method is a thing the object can do.



EXAMPLE CLASS AND OBJECT

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INHERITANCE

You may have heard of someone coming into an inheritance, which often means they were left something from a relative who died. Or, you might hear someone say that they have inherited musical ability from a parent.

In Java, all classes can **inherit** attributes (instance variables) and behaviors (methods) from another class.

The class being inherited from is called the **parent class or superclass**. The class that is inheriting is called the **child class** or **subclass**.

Inheritance: A way to form new classes based on existing classes, taking on their attributes/behavior.

- a way to group related classes
- a way to share code between two or more classes

One class can extend another, absorbing its data/behavior.

- Superclass: The parent class that is being extended.
- **Subclass:** The child class that extends the superclass and inherits its behavior.
 - Subclass gets a copy of every instance variable and method from superclass



• A UML (Unified Modeling Language) class diagram shows classes and the relationships between the classes as seen in Figure 1.





• Syntax

A class can extend another class by using the keyword **extends** then the name of the class it is extending.

Below, Car extends Vehicle.

```
public class Car extends Vehicle{
    // not show
}
If you leave off the extends keyword
when you declare a class then the

public class Vehicle {
    private String model;
    private String make;
    private int year;
```

when you declare a class then the class will inherit from the **Object class**. The Vehicle class declared below will inherit from the **Object class**.

```
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```

public void turnLeft(){}

public void turnRight(){}

- "has a" relationship: represent instance variables in our class
 - Example:
 - A Vehicle class could have model, year as instance variable.
 - A Person class could have name and birthday as instance variable.
- "is a" relationship: one class is a more specific example of another class.
 - Example:
 - a Car is a kind of Vehicle
 - a Student is a Pearson



- If you notice that several classes <u>share the same data and/or behavior</u>, you can pull that out into a parent class. This is called **generalization**.
- Inheritance allows you to reuse data and behavior from the parent class.
- Conversely, inheritance is also useful for specialization which is when you want most of the behavior of a parent class, but want to do <u>at least one thing differently and/or add more data</u>.



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- We can create a hierarchy of classes that allow us to reuse common attributes and behaviors.
- A subclass uses the ISA relationship signifying that it is a more specific example of the broader superclass.
- The keyword extends is used to establish the relationship between a superclass and the subclass.
- A class can only extend one superclass.



- Subclasses inherit all the public and private instance variables in a superclass that they extend, but they cannot directly access private variables.
- And constructors are not inherited.
- How do you initialize inherited private variables if you don't have direct access to them in the subclass?



CONSTRUCTOR

- Since constructors are not inherited, a subclass needs to create its own constructor.
- Subclass constructors **must call the parent constructor**.
- The superclass constructor can be called from the first line of a subclass constructor by using the keyword super and passing appropriate parameters.
- When no superclass is defined, the Object class is the superclass



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What is the class?

ANS:

A class is the formal implementation, or blueprint, of the attributes and behaviors of an object.

What is the superclass and subclass ?

ANS:

Superclass: The parent class that is being extended.

Subclass: The child class that extends the superclass and inherits its behavior.



SUPERCLASS VS. SUBCLASS



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CLASS HIERARCHY

As we extend down, the subclasses have access to all of the public methods of the parent.

For example, if the Person class has a public getName() method, any Person, Student, or HS Student Class object could call that method



What Java keyword is used to specify the parent class?

- A. superclass
- B. parent
- C. extends
- D. Class
- ANS: C



A bookstore is working on an on-line ordering system. For each type of published material (books and movies) they need to track the id, title, author(s), date published, and price. Which of the following would be the best design?

A. Create one class PublishedMaterial with the requested fields plus type

B. Create classes Book and Movie and each class has the requested fields

C. Create the class PublishedMaterial and have Book and Movie inherit from it all the listed fields

D. Create one class BookStore with the requested fields plus type ANS: C



Given the class definitions of Point2D and Point3D below, which of the constructors that follow (labeled I, II, and III) would be valid in the Point3D class?

```
class Point2D {
   public int x;
   public int y;
```

```
public Point2D() {}
```

```
public Point2D(int x,int y) {
   this.x = x;
   this.y = y;
}
```

```
// other methods
```

```
}
```

}

public class Point3D extends Point2D
{
 public int z;

```
// other code
```

```
// possible constructors for Point3D
I. public Point3D() {}
II. public Point3D(int x, int y, int z)
    {
        super(x,y);
        this.z = z;
    }
III. public Point3D(int x, int y)
    {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
        this.z = 0;
    }
```

A. II only B. III only C. I and II only D. I, II, and III

```
ANS: D
```





OVERRIDING VS. OVERLOADING

OVERRIDING

Override: To write a new version of a method in a subclass that replaces the superclass's version. To override an inherited method, the method in the child class must have the same signature

- I. Same method name,
- 2. Same parameter list (order, type)
- 3. Same return type (or a subclass of the return type)

Have we done this before?

Answer: toString()



OVERRIDING - CODE

public class Employee {

}

// some constructors and methods not shown
 public String getVacationForm() {
 return "pink";

public class Lawyer extends Employee {

// overrides getVacationForm method in Employee class
 public String getVacationForm() {
 return "yellow";
 }

Subclass

Superclass



KEYWORD "SUPER"

Sometimes you want the subclass to do more than what a superclass' method is doing. You want to still execute the superclass method, but you also want to override the method to do something else.

But, since you have overridden the parent method how can you still call it? You can use super.method() to force the parent's method to be called.

We've used super() before to call the superclass' constructor. There are two uses of the keyword super:

- super(); or super(arguments); calls just the super constructor if put in as the first line of a subclass constructor.
- super.method(); calls a superclass' method (not constructors).

OVERRIDING

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KEYWORD "SUPER"

Example I

Given the following class declarations, and assuming that the following declaration appears in a client program: Base b = new Derived();, what is the result of the call b.methodOne();?

ANS: ABDC

```
public class Base
{
    public void methodOne()
    {
        System.out.print("A");
        methodTwo();
    }
    public void methodTwo()
    {
        System.out.print("B");
    }
}
```

```
public class Derived extends Base
{
    public void methodOne()
    {
        super.methodOne();
        System.out.print("C");
    }
```

```
public void methodTwo()
{
    super.methodTwo();
    System.out.print("D");
}
```



OVERRIDING

Remember that an object always keeps a reference to the class that created it and always looks for a method during execution starting in the class that created it.

If it finds the method in the class that created it, it will execute that method.

If it doesn't find it in the class that created it, it will look at the parent of that class.

It will keep looking up the ancestor chain until it finds the method. The method has to be there, or else the code would not have compiled.

OVERLOADING

Methods are said to be **overloaded** when there are multiple methods with the same name but a <u>different signature</u> in the same class.

The methods are distinguished by:

- I. Number of parameters
- 2. Type of the parameters
- 3. Order of the parameters

Have we done this before?

Answer: more constructors!



OVERLOADING - CODE

```
public class Overload{
    public void method1(int c)
    {...}
```

```
public void method1(int c, double d)
{...}
```

```
public void method1(double c)
{...}
```

```
public void method1(double d, int c)
{...}
```

Number of Parameters

Type of Parameters

Order of Parameters



SUMMARY

Overriding	Overloading
Implementing Runtime Polymorphism	Implementing Compile time polymorphism
Occurring between superclass and subclass	Occurring the methods in the same class
The same signature i.e. same method name, method arguments and return type.	The names are the same but the parameters are different.





POLYMORPHISM

CLASS HIERARCHY



Class hierarchy facilities code reuse by putting common attributes and behaviors in the superclass.

In Java, we can say that when a class S is a class T , and S is a subclass to the T superclass.

POLYMORPHISM 多态

- **Polymorphism** comes from the Greek poly meaning many and morph meaning forms.
- **Polymorphism** is the capability of a method to do different things depending on the object it is acting upon.
- In Java and other OOP languages, the concept of polymorphism means that an object can take on different forms depending on its <u>implementation</u>.
- Java can call the correct method even when an object is disguised as a more generic reference type.
 - method overriding(run-time polymorphism)
 - method overloading(compile-time polymorphism)



POLYMORPHISM 多态

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When we use a Superclass as a reference type T, then we can create an object as either the Superclass T, or any Subclass S.

POLYMORPHISM 多态

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POLYMORPHISM 多态

Polymorphism allows flexibility when we create with a Superclass reference type.

- We can use a type T as a formal parameter in a method, then we pass any object of type T or S.
 - Syntax:

public return type methodname (typeT object){...}

Call the method: methodname(T/S);

// using object T or object S to call this method.

> We can create Arrays and Arraylist of a T and store any type T or S objects.

- Syntax:

COMPILE-TIME

At the time a program gets **compiled**, methods in or inherited by the declare/reference type determine the correctness of a non static method call. (not object type)

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RUN-TIME

At the time a program **runs**, the methods in the actual object type gets executed. If the method doesn't exist there, Java looks to the superclass for the method.

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COMPILE-TIME VS RUNTIME

- An error is a **compile-time error** if it happens when the program compiles.
 - All method overloading errors are compile-time errors.
 - missing semicolons, curly braces.
- An error is a **runtime error** if it happens when the program runs.
 - Casting too far down, sideways are run-time errors.
 - divide by zero, out of bounds index errors

A runtime error compiles without errors.

THE COSMIC SUPERCLASS OBJECT

All types of objects have a superclass named Object.

- Every class implicitly extends Object

The Object class defines several methods:

- public String toString()
 Returns a text representation of the object,
 often so that it can be printed. We have seen
 this in Unit 5.
- public boolean equals (Object other)
 Compare the object to any other for equality.
 Returns true if the objects have equal state.

OBJECT VARIABLES

You can store any object in a variable of type Object.

```
Object o1 = new Point(5, -3);
Object o2 = "hello there";
Object o3 = new Scanner(System.in);
```

An Object variable only knows how to do general things.

```
String s = o1.toString(); // ok(memory address)
int len = o2.length(); // compile-time error
String line = o3.nextLine(); // compile-time error
```


RECALL: COMPARING Objects

The == operator does not work well with objects.

• == compares references to objects, not their state. It only produces true when you compare an object to itself.

THE EQUALS METHOD

The equals method compares the state of objects in String class.

```
if (str1.equals(str2)) {
```

}

System.out.println("the strings are equal");

But if you write a class, its equals method behaves like ==

```
if (p1.equals(p2)) { // false :-(
    System.out.println("equal");
}
```

- This is the behavior we inherit from class Object.
- Java doesn't understand how to compare Points by default.

EQUALS METHOD

We can change this behavior by writing an equals method that overrides the one inherited from Object.

- Note the method header including the parameter Object o below.
- The method should compare the state of the two objects and return true if they have the same x/y position.

```
public boolean equals(Object o) {
        Point other = (Point) o;
        return (x == other.x && y == other.y)
}
```


AN IMPLEMENTATION OF POINT

Here's the Point class with both toString and equals overriden.

```
public class Point {
    private int x;
    private int y;
 public Point(int newX, int newY) {
      x = newX;
      v = newY;
    public boolean equals(Object o) {
           Point other = (Point) o;
        return (x == other.x && y == other.y);
    public String toString() {
           return "(" + x + ", " + y + ")";
    }
```

MAIN

public class Main {

public static void main(String[] args) {

x and y are two different objects Point x = new Point(2, -5);but mathematically equivalent. Point y = new Point(2, -5);Overriding equals allows us to easily Point z = new Point(3, 8);recognize that certain objects are Point w = z;equivalent. System.out.println(x == y); // false System.out.println(x.equals(y)); // true System.out.println(z == w); // true System.out.println(x.equals(w)); // false System.out.println(x); //(2, -5) // call toString() implicitly System.out.println(z.toString()); //(3, 8)