Other Object-Oriented Languages

Charlotte Pierce



Industry uses a range of object oriented programming languages across all domains

To succeed you will need to understand how what you have learnt applies to other languages

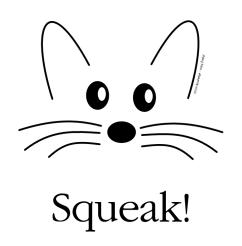
Learning other languages can appear daunting

With the right start things should be relatively straight forward

Approach new languages armed with the principles of OOP



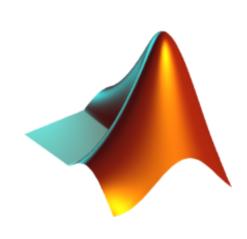


















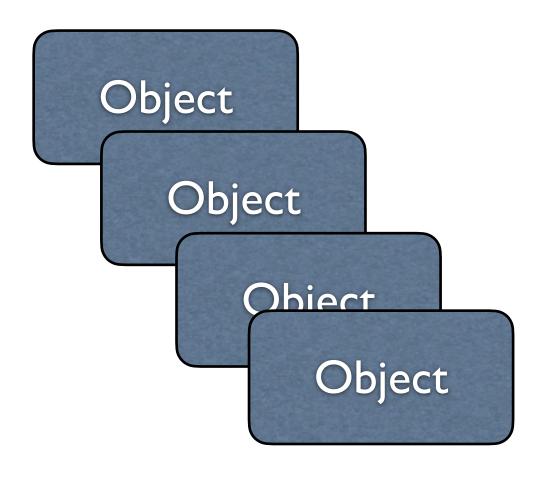
See that each language supports abstraction, encapsulation and inheritance

Create classes with inheritance to build objects in many languages

Class Template

Defines the object context its fields and method that operate on these

Create...



eg: C++ / C# / Java / Swift / ObjC

class declaration examples: C++

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class SomeClass
   private:
   // Data Members
   string someString;
   public:
   SomeClass(string str)
        _someString = str;
   // Member Functions
   void printSomething()
        cout << "This is a String: " << _someString << endl;</pre>
};
```

class declaration examples: Swift

```
import Foundation
class SomeClass
   // class variables
   private var _someString : String
   // constructor
    init(str : String)
        _someString = str
   // Member functions
    func printSomething()
        print(_someString)
var sc = SomeClass(str: "hello world")
sc.printSomething()
```

Use prototypes and extend objects in Prototyping languages

function

Object +

function

Object created and attached to prototype

function

function

function

functions on the object bind this to the object context

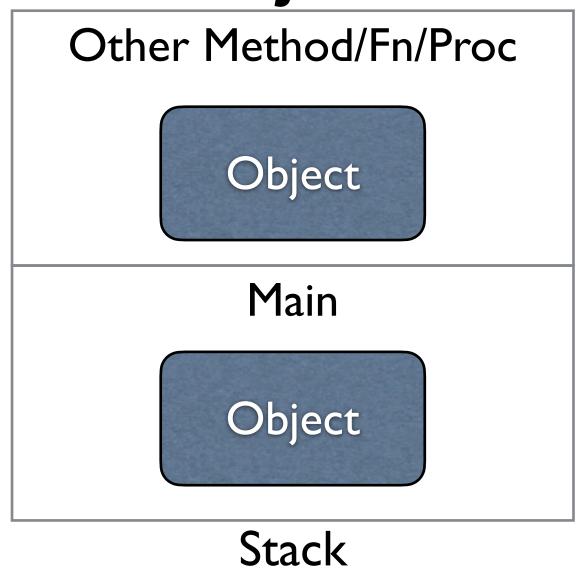
eg: JavaScript

Example prototype: JavaScript

```
function Plant () {
    this.country = "Mexico";
    this.isOrganic = true;
// Add the showNameAndColor method to the Plant
prototype
// property
Plant.prototype.showNameAndColor = function ()
    console.log("I am a " + this.name + " and
my color is " +
    this.color);
// Add the amIOrganic method to the Plant
prototype property
Plant.prototype.amIOrganic = function () {
    if (this.isOrganic)
        console.log("I am organic, Baby!");
```

```
function Fruit (fruitName, fruitColor) {
    this.name = fruitName;
    this.color = fruitColor;
// Set the Fruit's prototype to Plant's
constructor,
// thus inheriting all of Plant.prototype
methods and
// properties.
Fruit.prototype = new Plant ();
// Creates a new object, aBanana, with the
Fruit
// constructor
var aBanana = new Fruit ("Banana",
"Yellow");
```

See that some languages let you place objects on the stack and heap



Object
Object
Object
Heap

eg: C++ / Delphi

Stack and Heap: C++

```
int main() {
   // Declare an object
   SomeClass obj1("obj1");
   // Create a pointer to an object
   SomeClass *obj2 = new SomeClass("obj2");
   // Call a method
   obj1.printSomething();
   obj2->printSomething();
   return 0;
```

Stack and Heap: C++

```
int main() {
   // Declare an object
   someClass obj1("obj1"); Created on the stack
   // Create a pointer to an object
   SomeClass *obj2 = new SomeClass("obj2");
   // Call a method
   obj1.printSomething();
   obj2->printSomething();
   return 0;
```

Stack and Heap: C++

```
int main() {
   // Declare an object
   SomeClass obj1("obj1");
                                    Created on the heap
   // Create a pointer to an object
   SomeClass *obj2 = new SomeClass("obj2");
   // Call a method
   obj1.printSomething();
   obj2->printSomething();
   return 0;
```

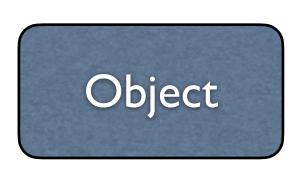
See objects behave as they should: based on polymorphic behaviour

Static typing ensure that objects should be capable at compile time



Variable type determines what it can do...

Dynamic typing provides flexibility with checks for object capabilities at run time



Object determines what it can do...

No need to indicate its type

Some languages have a mix of static and dynamic typing features

Compiler

Object

Watch out how how different objects are destroyed

Manual memory management makes freeing memory the developers problem

Develop needs to know when to delete things. Destructors used to propagate deletion to relations

Example: C++
new = malloc
delete = free

Deconstructors in C++

```
class SomeClass
   private:
   // Data Members
   string _someString;
    SomeOtherClass *_someObject;
   public:
   SomeClass(string str)
        _someString = str;
        _someObject = (SomeOtherClass *) new SomeOtherClass();
   ~SomeClass()
     delete &_someObject;
};
```

Memory dealloc in C++

```
class SomeClass
  private:
   // Data Members
  string someString;
   SomeOtherClass * someObject;
  public:
  SomeClass(string str)
       someString = str;
       someObject = (SomeOtherClass *) new SomeOtherClass();
   ~SomeClass()
                                      Objects created on the heap must
     delete & someObject;
```

deconstructor

};

be destroyed when finished with

Reference counting allows objects to free themselves

Objects know how many things refer to them. Delete themselves when this is 0.

Example: Objective C, Swift

Garbage collection means the system handles object deletion for you

Graph of object references is maintained.

Garbage collection triggered automatically under specific conditions (e.g., when the consumed heap space crosses a threshold)

Sees objects as belonging to "generations": from short-living to long-term

Example: Java / C#

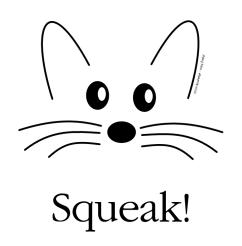
Will you be able to pickup other OO programming languages?

Software in Industry is dominated by OO programming languages

Approach new languages armed with the principles of OOP



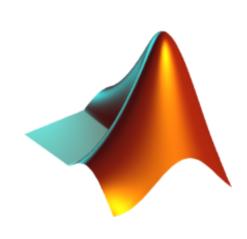










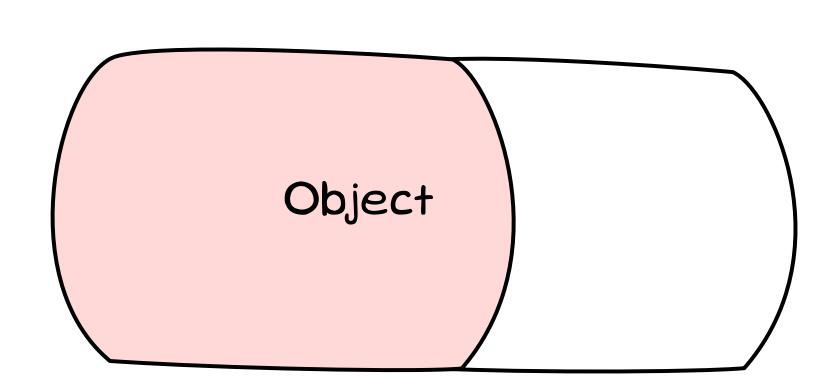








Remember, in each case it is about objects that know and can do things



OO Languages: coding based on abstraction, encapsulation, inheritance and polymorphism