BASIC JAVA NOTES

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Inheritance (with implements keyword) and Subtype Polymorphism

Method Overloading:

Java allows multiple methods with same name, but different parameters.

```
public static String longest(AList<String> list) {
    ...
}

public static String longest(SLList<String> list) {
    ...
}
```

Interface:

Step1: define an interface

Interface is a specification of what a List can do, not how to do it.

```
public interface List61B<Item> {
   public void addFirst(Item x);
   public void addLast(Item y);
   public Item getFirst();
   public Item getLast();
   public Item removeLast();
   public Item get(int i);
   public void insert(Item x, int position);
   public int size();
}
```

Step2: Implements the interface with **implements** keyword (override the method with the @Override tag)

Method Overriding:

If a "subclass" has a method with the exact same signature as in the "superclass", we say the subclass overrides the method.

@Override tag:

we'll always mark every overriding method with the **@Override** annotation. The only effect of this tag is that the code won't compile if it is not actually an overriding method.

If a subclass has a method with the exact same signature as in the superclass, we say the subclass overrides the method.

- Even if you don't write @Override, subclass still overrides the method.
- @Override is just an **optional reminder** that you're overriding.

Method Overriding vs. Overloading

- Animal's subclass Pig overrides the makeNoise() method.
- Methods with the same name but different signatures are **overloaded**.

```
public class Dog implements Animal {
 public interface Animal {
                                      public void makeNoise(Dog x) {
    public void makeNoise();
 }
                                        makeNoise is overloaded
public class Pig implements Animal {
  public void makeNoise() {
                                   public class Math {
    System.out.print("oink");
                                      public int
                                                      abs(int a)
                                      public double abs(double a)
}
                                           abs is overloaded
   Pig overrides makeNoise()
                                                                     @030
```

Interface Inheritance (implements)

Specifying the capabilities of a subclass using the **implements** keyword is known as **interface inheritance**.

- Interface: The list of all method signatures.
- **Inheritance**: The subclass "inherits" the interface from a superclass.
- Specifies what the subclass can do, but not how.
- Subclasses must override all these methods!
 - Will fail to compile otherwise.
- A subtype relationship between interface and the class

Copying the Bits (e.g. storing ArrayList inside List)

If X is a superclass of Y, then memory boxes for X may contain Y.

An AList is-a List.

• Therefore, List variables can hold ALList addresses.

Implementation Inheritance: Default Methods

Interface inheritance:

Subclass inherits signatures, but NOT implementation.

Subclasses can inherit signatures AND implementation.

• Use the **default** keyword to specify a method that subclasses should inherit from an interface.

We can Override default methods in each class.

Subtype Polymorphism:

Polymorphism: "providing a single interface to entities of different types"

- When you call deque.addFirst(), the actual behavior is based on the dynamic type. (deque is an interface in java)
- Java automatically selects the right behavior using what is sometimes called "<u>dynamic</u> method selection".

Benefits:

- **loose coupling**: the code using a set of methods is not tied to a specific implementation of these methods
- **extensibility**: we can easily add new implementations of an interface (new "shapes" in the polymorphic relation).

Interfaces Inheritance:

Interfaces may combine a mix of abstract and default methods.

- Abstract methods are what. And must be overridden by subclass.
- Default methods are how.

Not explicitly mentioned on a slide before:

- Unless you use the keyword default, a method will be abstract.
 (no default → abstract method)
- Unless you specify an access modifier, a method will be public.
 (no modifier → public)

Interface can provide variables, but they are public static final.

• final means the value can never change. Use for constants: G=6.67e-11

A class can implement multiple interfaces.

Interface Summary:

- Cannot be instantiated.
- Can provide either abstract or concrete methods.
 - Use no keyword for abstract methods.
 - Use default keyword for concrete methods.
- Can provide only public static final variables.

Abstract Class:

Implementations must override ALL abstract methods.

Abstract classes are often used as partial implementations as interfaces.

Introducing: Abstract Classes

```
Abstract classes are an intermediate level between interfaces and classes.

    Cannot be instantiated.

                                                               Similarities
  • Can provide either abstract or concrete methods.

    Use abstract keyword for abstract methods.

     Differences
 • Can provide variables (any kind).
  • Can provide protected and package private methods [after mt1].
public abstract class GraphicObject {
   public int x, y;
                                                         GraphicObject
   public void moveTo(int newX, int newY) { ... }
   public abstract void draw();
   public abstract void resize();
                                                                     @000
```

Only subclass could instantiate an abstract class by using the super() constructor.

Summary: Abstract Classes vs. Interfaces

Interfaces:

- Primarily for interface inheritance. Limited implementation inheritance.
- Classes can implement multiple interfaces.

Abstract classes:

- Can do anything an interface can do, and more.
- Subclasses only extend <u>one</u> abstract class.

you should generally prefer interfaces whenever possible.

• More powerful programming language constructs introduce complexity.

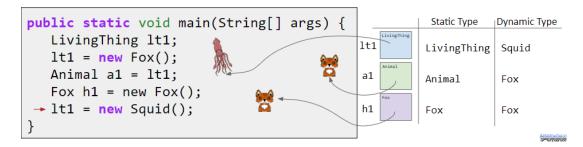
Static and Dynamic Type, Dynamic Method Selection and Covariant Return Type

Every variable in Java has a "compile-time type", a.k.a. "static type".

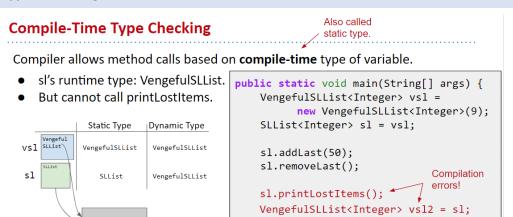
• This is the type specified at declaration. **Never changes!**

Variables also have a "run-time type", a.k.a. "dynamic type".

- This is the type specified at instantiation (e.g. when using new).
- Equal to the type of the object being pointed at.



Type Checking:



Compiler also allows assignments based on compile-time types.

- Even though sl's runtime-type is VengefulSLList, cannot assign to vsl2.
- Compiler plays it as safe as possible with type checking.

Compile-Time Types and Expressions

Expressions have compile-time types:

Method calls have compile-time type equal to their declared type.

```
public static Dog maxDog(Dog d1, Dog d2) { ... }
```

Any call to maxDog will have compile-time type Dog!

Example:

```
Poodle frank = new Poodle("Frank", 5);
Poodle frankJr = new Poodle("Frank Jr.", 15);

Dog largerDog = maxDog(frank, frankJr);
Poodle largerPoodle = maxDog(frank, frankJr);

Compilation error!

RHS has compile-time type Dog.
```

Casting:

Java has a special syntax for specifying the compile-time type of any expression. Put desired type in parenthesis before the expression.

- Examples:
 - Compile-time type Dog:

```
maxDog(frank, frankJr);
```

Compile-time type Poodle:

```
(Poodle) maxDog(frank, frankJr);
```

Casting is a powerful but dangerous tool. Tells Java to treat an expression as having a different compile-time type. **ClassCastException** is thrown if the <u>run-time type</u> is incorrect.

Dynamic Method Selection (Dispatch) for Overridden Methods:

Suppose we call a method of an object using a variable with:

- compile-time type X
- run-time type Y

Then if Y overrides the method, Y's method is used instead.

This is known as "dynamic method selection".

Dynamic Method Selection Puzzle

Suppose we have classes defined below. Try to predict the results.

```
public interface Animal {
 default void greet(Animal a) {
   print("hello animal"); }
                                 public class Dog implements Animal {
                                   void sniff(Animal a) {
 default void sniff(Animal a) {
   print("sniff animal"); }
                                     print("dog sniff animal"); }
 default void flatter(Animal a)
                                   void flatter(Dog a) {
   print("u r cool animal"); }
                                     print("u r cool dog")
                 Animal a = new Dog();
                 Dog d = new Dog();
                              // "hello animal"
                 a.greet(d);
flatter is
                              // "dog sniff animal"
                 a.sniff(d);
overloaded, not
                 d.flatter(d); // "u r cool dog"
overridden!
                 a.flatter(d); // "u r cool animal"
```

If flatter is **overridden**, then the more specific method will be called. i.e. the method in the Dog class will be called.

Is it Overriding? Overloading?

```
public class Bird {
       public void gulgate(Bird b) {
       System.out.println("BiGulBi"); }}
                            public class Falcon extends Bird {
 Casting causes no change to the
                                    public void gulgate(Falcon f) {
 bird variable, nor to the object the
 bird variable points at!
                                    System.out.println("FaGulFa");}}
                                          What gets printed?
Bird bird = new Falcon();
                                           b. BiGulBi FaGulFa
Falcon falcon = (Falcon) bird;
bird.gulgate(falcon); 
falcon.gulgate(falcon); 
public class Bird {
     public void gulgate(Bird b) {
         System.out.println("BiGulBi"); }}
                                public class Falcon extends Bird {
                                    public void gulgate(Falcon f) {
                                        System.out.println("FaGulFa");}}
Bird bird = new Falcon();
Falcon falcon = (Falcon) bird;
bird.gulgate(falcon);
```

Remember: The compiler chooses the most specific matching method signature from the static type of the invoking class.

- Falcon is <u>overloading</u> the gulgate method, <u>not overriding</u>.
- Compiler basically thinks "does Bird class have a gulgate method? Yes! I'll use that". Since there is no overloading, no dynamic method selection occurs.

The rules for Dynamic Method Selection: (Dynamic Method Dispatch)

- Compiler allows **memory box** to hold any <u>subtype</u>.
- Compiler allows calls based on static type.
- Overridden non-static methods are selected at run time based on dynamic type.
- Everything else is based on static type, including **overloaded** methods.

covariant return type:

Covariant return type refers to return type of an **overriding** method. It allows to <u>narrow down</u> return type of an overridden method without any need to cast the type or check the return type.

```
class SuperClass {
    SuperClass get() {
        System.out.println("SuperClass");
        return this;
    }
}
public class Tester extends SuperClass {
    Tester get() {
        System.out.println("SubClass");
        return this;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        SuperClass tester = new Tester();
        tester.get();
    }
}
```

This will print "SubClass"

Override or overload static methods in java

https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/can-we-overload-or-override-static-methods-in-java/

1) For **class (or static) methods**, the method according to the type of reference is called, not according to the object being referred, which means method call is decided at <u>compile time</u>.

- 2) For **instance (or non-static) methods**, the method is called according to the type of object being referred, not according to the type of reference, which means method calls is decided at <u>run time</u>.
- 3) An instance method cannot override a static method, and a static method cannot hide an instance method.
- 4) In **a subclass** (or Derived Class), we can **overload** the methods inherited from the superclass. Such overloaded methods neither hide nor override the superclass methods they are new methods, unique to the subclass.

Liskov substitution principle (LSP)

if S is a subtype of T, then objects of type T may be replaced with objects of type S

Inheritance (with extends keyword) and Encapsulation

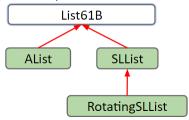
Implementation Inheritance: Extends

We'd like to build RotatingSLList that can perform any SLList operation as well as:

• rotateRight(): Moves back item the front.

Example: Suppose we have [5, 9, 15, 22].

• After rotateRight: [22, 5, 9, 15]



Because of extends, RotatingSLList inherits all members of SLList:

- All instance and static variables.
- All methods.
- All nested classes.
- members may be private and thus inaccessible!

Constructors are not inherited.

Use extends for "is-a" relationship!

Super keyword:

```
public class VengefulSLList<Item> extends SLList<Item> {
    private SLList<Item> deletedItems;
    public VengefulSLList() {
       deletedItems = new SLList<Item>();
    }
                                              calls
                                              Superclass's
    @Override
                                              version of
    public Item removeLast() {
                                              removeLast()
        Item oldBack = super.removeLast();
        deletedItems.addLast(oldBack);
        return oldBack;
    }
    public void printLostItems() {
        deletedItems.print();
```

Inheritance and Constructor

Constructors are **not inherited**. However, the rules of Java say that all constructors must **start** with a **call to one of the super class's constructors**.

- You can explicitly call the constructor with the keyword super (no dot).
- If you don't explicitly call the constructor, Java will automatically do it for you.

```
public VengefulSLList() {
    deletedItems = new SLList<Item>();
}

public VengefulSLList() {
    super(); ← must come first!
    deletedItems = new SLList<Item>();
}
These constructors are exactly equivalent.
```

Calling Other Constructors

If you want to use a super constructor other than the no-argument constructor, can give parameters to super.

- Subclass constructor must invoke superclass constructor first.
- Use super to invoke overridden superclass methods and constructors.

Object Class

As it happens, every type in Java is a descendant of the Object class.

Including methods: equals(), toString(), hashCode()

Modules and Encapsulation

Module: A set of methods that work together as a whole to perform some task or set of related tasks.

A module is said to be **encapsulated** if its implementation is **completely hidden**, and it can be accessed only through a documented interface.

Instance variables private. Methods like resize private.

Even when writing tests, you don't (usually) want to peer inside.

Implementation Inheritance breaks Encapsulation

What would vd.barkMany(3) output?

- a. As a dog, I say: bark bark bark
- b. bark bark bark
- c. Something else.

(assuming vd is a Verbose Dog)

```
public void bark() {
    System.out.println("bark");
}
public void barkMany(int N) {
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i += 1) {
        bark();
    }
}</pre>
```

```
bark()
barkMany(int N)

bark()
barkMany(int N)

VerboseDog
```

What would vd.barkMany(3) output?

- c. Something else.
- Gets caught in an infinite loop!

(assuming vd is a Verbose Dog)

```
public void bark() {
    barkMany(1);
}
public void barkMany(int N) {
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i += 1) {
        System.out.println("bark");
    }
}</pre>
```

```
bark()

barkMany(int N)

bark()

barkMany(int N)

VerboseDog
```

Summary: (Implementation Inheritance)

VengefulSLList extends SLList means a VenglefulSLList is-an SLList. Inherits all members!

- Variables, methods, nested classes.
- Not constructors.
- Subclass constructor must <u>invoke superclass constructor first</u>.
- Use <u>super</u> to invoke overridden superclass methods and constructors.

Invocation of overridden methods follows two simple rules:

• Compiler plays it safe and only lets us do things allowed by **static** type.

Compiler chooses to:

- For overridden methods the <u>actual method</u> invoked is based on <u>dynamic type</u> of invoking expression, e.g. Dog.maxDog(d1, d2).bark();
- Can use <u>casting</u> to overrule compiler type checking.

Things we should not do with inheritance:

- a subclass has variables with the same name as a superclass.
- subclass has a static method with the same signature as a superclass method

Final Method:

The method could **never** be **overridden** by the subclass

Summary: (Interface inheritance vs. Implementation Inheritance)

Two types of inheritance:

- Interface inheritance (inherit signatures only)
- Implementation inheritance (inherit both signatures and implementation)

In both cases we could use @Override to override the original method

Interface Inheritance (a.k.a. what):

Allows you to generalize code in a powerful, simple way.

Implementation Inheritance (a.k.a. how):

• Allows code-reuse: Subclasses can rely on superclass or interfaces.

Important: In both cases, we specify "is-a" relationships, not "has-a".

- Good: Dog implements Animal, SLList implements List61B.
- Bad: Cat implements Claw, Set implements SLList.

Higher Order Functions:

Higher Order Function: A function that treats another function as data.

• e.g. takes a function as input.

Example: Higher Order Functions Using Interfaces in Java

```
def tenX(x):
public interface IntUnaryFunction {
   int apply(int x);
                                                     return 10*x
                                                 def do_twice(f, x):
public class TenX implements IntUnaryFunction {
                                                     return f(f(x))
   public int apply(int x) {
       return 10 * x;
                                                 print(do twice(tenX, 2))
public class HoFDemo {
   public static int do_twice(IntUnaryFunction f, int x) {
       return f.apply(f.apply(x));
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       System.out.println(do_twice(new TenX(), 2));
   }
                                                                           @000
```

Access Control

Access Levels

- **Public** declarations are declarations of the specification for the package, i.e. what clients of the package can rely on. Once deployed, these should not change.
- Private declarations are parts of the implementation of a class that only that class needs.
- **Protected** declarations are things that subtypes might need, but subtype clients will not.
- Package-private declarations are parts of the implementation of a package that other members of the package will need to complete the implementation.

Modifier	Class	Package	Subclass	World
public	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
protected	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
	Υ	Υ	N	N
private	Υ	N	N	N

The Default Package

Code without a package label is part of an unnamed package, a.k.a. the "default package".

- Everything is package private.
- Everything is part of the same (unnamed) default package.

```
Access Is Based Only on Static Types
package universe;
                                        Try to predict if the compiler will allow each line of Client.
public interface BlackHole {
                                          • Not part of the universe package!
    void add(Object x);
               add might look package
                                               import static CreationUtils.hirsute;
               private, actually public
                                               class Client {
                                                void demoAccess() {
package universe;
public class CreationUtils {
                                                 BlackHole b = hirsute();
    public static BlackHole hirsute() {
                                                  b.add("horse");
         return new HasHair();
                                                  b.get(0);
    }
                                                  HasHair hb = (HasHair) b;
                                             No
package universe;
class HasHair implements BlackHole {
                                                      Can't refer to a HasHair blackhole
    Object[] items;
                                                      from outside the package. However,
    public void add(Object o) { ... }
                                                      can still called methods on objects of
    public Object get(int k) { ... }
                                                      dynamic type HasHair (if we have a
                                                      reference with allowable static type).
```

Comparable and Comparator

Comparable (java.lang → no need to import)

The industrial strength approach: Use the built-in Comparable interface.

• Already defined and used by tons of libraries. Uses generics.

```
public interface Comparable<T> {
    public int compareTo(T obj);
}
public int compareTo(Object obj);
}
```

Comparable Advantages

- Lots of built in classes implement Comparable (e.g. String).
- Lots of libraries use the Comparable interface (e.g. Arrays.sort)
- Avoids need for casts.

```
public class Dog implements Comparable<Dog> {
    public int compareTo(Dog uddaDog) {
        return this.size - uddaDog.size;
    }

public class Dog implements OurComparable {
    public int compareTo(Object obj) {
        Dog uddaDog = (Dog) obj;
        return this.size - uddaDog.size;
    }...

    Dog[] dogs = new Dog[]{d1, d2, d3};
    Dog largest = Collections.max(Arrays.asList(dogs));
```

Comparable interface has the method "int compareTo(Object)"

• Returns: a negative integer, zero, or a positive integer as this object is less than, equal to, or greater than the specified object.

The **Object** itself to compare will **implement** the Comparable interface.

Comparable will support Collections.sort(List)

Comparator (java.util → have to import)

Parameters: int compare(T o1, T o2)

- o1 the first object to be compared.
- o2 the second object to be compared.

Returns:

 a negative integer, zero, or a positive integer as the first argument is less than, equal to, or greater than the second.

The **Comparator** is used to have multiple Comparable for the same type of object. And each of the Comparator will implement the Comparator interface. We can pass in different Comparator to use the difference compare method.

Support Collections.sort(List<T> list, Comparator<? super T> c)

Additional Orders in Java

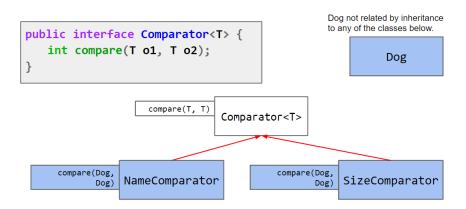
In some languages, we'd write two comparison functions and simply pass the one we want :

- sizeCompare()
- nameCompare()

The standard Java approach: Create sizeComparator and nameComparator classes that implement the Comparator interface.

• Requires methods that also take Comparator arguments (see project 1B).

```
public interface Comparator<T> {
   int compare(T o1, T o2);
}
```



Example: NameComparator

Comparable and Comparator Summary (provide us with the ability to make call-backs)

- Some languages handle this using explicit function passing.
- In Java, we do this by wrapping up the needed function in an interface (e.g. Arrays.sort needs compare which lives inside the comparator interface)
- Arrays.sort "calls back" whenever it needs a comparison.

Iterable and Iterator

The Enhanced For-Loop

- public interface Iterable<T> { public Iterator<T> iterator(); }
- public interface Iterator<T> { boolean hasNext(); T next(); → returns curr and advance to next }
- Implementing the Iterable interface allows an object to make use of the for-each loop. It does that by internally calling the iterator() method on the object!
- ListIterator: built in interface in java (could move forward and backward)

The Secret of the Enhanced For Loop

For code on the right to work:

- Compiler checks that Lists have a method called iterator() that returns an Iterator<Integer>.
- Then, compiler checks that Iterators have:
 - hasNext()
 - next()

```
List<Integer> friends = new ArrayList<Integer>();
```

SLinkedList

- iterator() returns an object of type Iterator that points to the head of the provided list.
- next() returns the element of the list that the Iterator is currently referencing, and then moves to the next node.

```
public class SLinkedList<E> implements Iterable<E> {
   private SNode<E> head;
   public SLLIterator iterator() {
      return new SLLIterator(this);
   }
   private class SLLIterator implements Iterator<E> {
      SNode<E> cur;
      SLLIterator(SLinkedList<E> list) {
         cur = list.head;
      }
      public boolean hasNext() {
         return (cur != null);
      }
      public E next() {
         SNode<E> tmp = cur;
         cur = cur.next;
         return tmp.element;
      }
    }
}
```

The previous section introduced the use of iterators as a way to provide access to a collection of objects encapsulated within another object without violating the encapsulation and information hiding properties of this object. This solution is a common design pattern called, not surprisingly, the ITERATOR. The *context* for ITERATOR is to

Provide a way to access the elements of an aggregate object sequentially without exposing its underlying representation. [6]

The *solution template* for ITERATOR can be best captured by the class diagram in Figure 3.5, which is simply an abstraction of the solution presented in Figure 3.4.

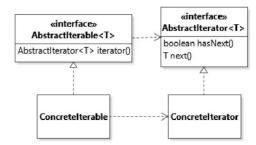


Fig. 3.5 Class diagram of the solution template for ITERATOR

Java Libraries and Packages

Abstract Data Types

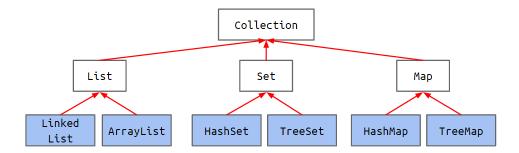
An Abstract Data Type (ADT) is defined only by its *operations*, not by its *implementation*.

Collections

Among the most important **interfaces** in the **java.util library** are those that extend the Collection interface (btw interfaces can extend other interfaces).

The built-in java.util package provides a number of useful:

- Interfaces: ADTs (lists, sets, maps, priority queues, etc.) and other stuff.
- Implementations: Concrete classes you can use.



Packages

Canonicalization

 Canonical representation: A unique representation for a thing. Cannot be reused or changed

In Java, we (attempt to) provide canonicity through by giving every class a "package name".

A package is a namespace that organizes classes and interfaces.

To address the fact that classes might share names: We won't follow this rule. Our code isn't intended for distribution.

- A package is a *namespace* that organizes classes and interfaces.
- Naming convention: Package name starts with website address (backwards).

```
package ug.joshh.animal;

public class Dog {
    private String name;
    private String breed;
    private double size;
```

Dog.java

If used from the outside, use entire *canonical name*.

```
ug.joshh.animal.Dog d =
   new ug.joshh.animal.Dog(...);

org.junit.Assert.assertEquals(5, 5);
```

If used from another class in same package (e.g. ug.joshh.animal.DogLauncher), can just use *simple name*.

Importing Classes

Typing out the entire name can be annoying.

• Entire name:

```
ug.joshh.animal.Dog d =
  new ug.joshh.animal.Dog(...);
```

• Can use import statement to provide shorthand notation for usage of a single class in a package.

import ug.joshh.animal.Dog;
Dog d = new Dog(...);

 Wildcard import: Also possible to import multiple classes, but this is often a bad idea!

Use sparingly.

import ug.joshh.animal.*;
Dog d = new Dog(...);

Dangerous! Will cause compilation error if another * imported class contains Dog.

Importing Static Members

On the previous slide we saw how to import classes.

• Example: import org.junit.Assert;
Assert.assertEquals(5, 5);

import static lets us import static members of a class.

• Example: import static org.junit.Assert.assertEquals;
assertEquals(5, 5);

We've done this already. This is probably the only wildcard import that you should do in this course.

```
import static org.junit.Assert.*;
assertEquals(5, 5);
```

Unlikely that any other library will have any static members with same name as members in org.junit.Assert class

Generics

Basic Generics (array/primitive types)

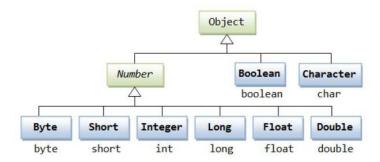
- To create a generic array: E[] arr = (E[])new Object[LENGTH];
- Generic classes require us to provide one or more <u>actual type arguments</u>

```
import java.util.ArrayList;

public class BasicArrayList {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        ArrayList<String> L = new ArrayList<String>();
        L.add("potato");
        L.add("ketchup");
        String first = L.get(0);
    }
}
```

e.g. initialize ArrayList: ArrayList<String> L = new ArrayList<>();

- **Primitives Cannot** Be Used as Actual Type Arguments
- For each primitive type, there is a corresponding reference type called a wrapper class.



Use wrapper type as actual type parameter instead of primitive type.

Autoboxing

Conversion between int and Integer is annoying, so autoboxing and unboxing is introduced.

Autoboxing (auto-unboxing): Implicit conversions between wrapper/primitives.

- If Java code expects a wrapper type and gets a primitive, it is **autoboxed**.
- If the code expects a primitive and gets a wrapper, it is **unboxed**.

Notes:

- Arrays are never autoboxed/unboxed, e.g. an Integer[] cannot be used in place of an int[] (or vice versa).
- Autoboxing / unboxing incurs a measurable performance impact!
- Wrapper types use MUCH more **memory** than primitive types.

Primitive Widening

Widening: char \rightarrow int \rightarrow double

• Code below is fine since double is wider than int.

```
public static void blahDouble(double x) {
   System.out.println("double: " + x);
}
int x = 20;
blahDouble(x);
```

To move from a wider type to a narrower type, must use casting:

```
public static void blahInt(int x) {
   System.out.println("int: " + x);
}

double x = 20;
blahInt((int) x);
```

From string to int: Integer.parseInt

Immutability

An **immutable** data type is one for which an instance **cannot change** in any observable way after instantiation.

Examples:

- Mutable: ArrayDeque, Planet.
- Immutable: Integer, String, Date.

Final and Immutability

The *final* keyword will help the compiler ensure **immutability**.

- final variable means you will assign a value once (either in constructor of class or in initializer).
- Not necessary to have final to be immutable (e.g. Dog with private variables).

Warning: Declaring a reference as Final does not make object immutable.

- Example: public final ArrayDeque<String> d = new ArrayDeque<String>();
- The d variable can never change, but the referenced deque can!

pros and cons

Advantage: Less to think about: Avoids bugs and makes debugging easier.

 Analogy: Immutable classes have some buttons you can press / windows you can look inside. Results are ALWAYS the same, no matter what.

Disadvantage: Must create a new object anytime anything changes.

Defining Generic Classes

ArrayMap (Basic Implementation)

```
public class ArrayMap<K, V> {
   private K[] keys;
   private V[] values;
   private int size;
   public ArrayMap() {
     keys = (K[]) new Object[100];
     values = (V[]) new Object[100];
     size = 0;
   }
   ...
}
```

Array implementation of a Map:

- Use an array as the core data structure.
- put(k, v): Finds the array index of k
 - If -1, adds k and v to the last position of the arrays.
 - If non-negative, sets the appropriate item in values array.

```
ArrayMap<Integer, String> ismap = new ArrayMap<Integer, String>();
ismap.put(5, "hello");
ismap.put(10, "ketchup");
```

A Mysterious Error with Autoboxing and Junit Test

The Issue:

• JUnit has many assertEquals functions including (int, int), (double, double), (Object, Object), etc.

How do we get the code to compile, e.g. how do we resolve the ambiguity?

```
@Test
public void test() {
    ArrayMap<Integer, Integer> am = new ArrayMap<Integer, Integer>();
    am.put(2, 5);
    int expected = 5;
    assertEquals(expected, am.get(2)); }
```

Many possible answers, one of them is:

```
@Test
public void test() {
    ArrayMap<Integer, Integer> am = new ArrayMap<Integer, Integer>();
    am.put(2, 5);
    int expected = 5;
    assertEquals((Integer) expected, am.get(2)); }
```

Generic Methods

Can create a method that operates on generic types by defining type parameters before the return type of the method:

Formal type parameter definitions.

```
public static <X, Zerp> Zerp get(ArrayMap<X, Zerp> am, X key) {
   if (am.containsKey(key)) {
      return am.get(key);
    }
   return null;
}
```

In almost all circumstances, using a generic method requires no special syntax:

Type Upper Bound:

To declare a bounded type parameter, list the type parameter's name, followed by the extends keyword, followed by its upper bound, which in this example is Number. Note that, in this context, extends is used in a general sense to mean either "extends" (as in classes) or "implements" (as in interfaces).

Can use extends keyword as a **type upper bound**. Only allow use on ArrayMaps with Comparable keys.

Meaning: Any ArrayMap you give me must have actual parameter type that is a

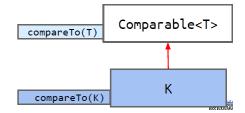
have actual parameter type that is a subtype of Comparable<T>.

```
public static <K extends Comparable<K>, V> K maxKey(ArrayMap<K, V> am) {
    ...
    if (k.compareTo(largest) > 0) {
    ...
}
```

Built in Java interface: Comparable<T>

• Implemented by Integer, String, etc.

Note: Type lower bounds also exist, specified using the word super. Won't cover in 61B.



Generics Summary

- Autoboxing and auto-unboxing of primitive wrapper types.
- Promotion between primitive types. (primitive widening)
- Specification of generic types for methods (before return type).
- Type upper bounds (e.g. K extends Comparable<K>)

Exceptions

Explicit Exceptions

We can also throw our own exceptions using the **throw** keyword.

- Can provide more informative message to a user.
- Can provide more information to some sort of error handling code.

Java code can also throw exceptions explicitly using *throw* keyword:

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println("ayyy lmao");
    throw new RuntimeException("For no reason.");
}

Creates new object of type RuntimeException!

$ java Alien
ayyy lmao
Exception in thread "main"
java.lang.RuntimeException: For no
reason.
at Alien.main(Alien.java:4)
```

What has been Thrown, can be Caught

Can 'catch' exceptions instead, preventing program from crashing. Use keywords **try** and **catch** to break normal flow.

Catch blocks can execute arbitrary code.

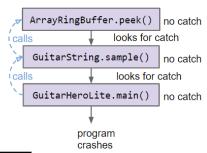
• May include corrective action.

```
Dog d = new Dog("Lucy", "Retriever", 80);
d.becomeAngry();
                                   $ java ExceptionDemo
try {
                                   Tried to pat: java.lang.RuntimeException:
    d.receivePat();
                                   grrr... snarl snarl
} catch (Exception e) {
                                   Lucy munches the banana
    System.out.println(
                                  Lucy enjoys the pat.
        "Tried to pat: " + e);
    d.eatTreat("banana");
                                   Lucy is a happy Retriever weighing 80.0
                                   standard lb units.
d.receivePat();
System.out.println(d);
```

Exceptions and the Call Stack

When an exception is thrown, it descends the call stack.

- If exceptions reaches the bottom of the stack, the program crashes and Java provides a message for the user.
 - Ideally the user is a programmer with the power to do something about it.



```
java.lang.RuntimeException in thread "main":
   at ArrayRingBuffer.peek:63
   at GuitarString.sample:48
   at GuitarHeroLite.java:110
```

Checked Exceptions

Compiler requires that all checked exceptions be caught or specified.

Two ways to satisfy compiler:

- Catch: Use a catch block after potential exception.
- Specify method as dangerous with throws keyword.
 - Defers to someone else to handle exception.

```
Two ways to satisfy compiler: Catch or specify exception.
   public static void gulgate() throws IOException {
       ... throw new IOException("hi"); ...
public static void main(String[] args) {
                                            public static void main(String[] args)
 try {
                                                 throws IOException {
    gulgate();
                                                   gulgate();
  } catch(IOException e) {
    System.out.println("Averted!");
                                                  Specify that you might throw an exception.
   Catch an Exception:
   Keeps it from getting out.
                                                  Use when someone else should handle.
   Use when you can handle the problem.
                                                                                   @000
```

Nested Classes

Can combine two classes into one file pretty simply.

```
public class SLList {
   public class IntNode { +
                                                           Nested class definition.
       public int item;
                                                            Could have made IntNode a
       public IntNode next;
                                                            private nested class if we
       public IntNode(int i, IntNode n) {
           item = i;
          next = n;
   }
   private IntNode first; +
                                                            Instance variables,
                                                            constructors, and methods of
   public SLList(int x) {
                                                            SLList typically go below
       first = new IntNode(x, null);
                                                            nested class definition.
   } ...
                                                                               @ O O C
```

Nested Classes are useful when a class doesn't stand on its own and is obviously subordinate to another class.

• Make the nested class private if other classes should never use the nested class.

Nested classes are divided into two categories:

- **static nested class:** Nested classes that are declared static are called static nested classes.
 - And like static class methods, a static nested class cannot refer directly to instance variables or methods defined in its enclosing class: it can use them only through an object reference.
 - OuterClass.StaticNestedClass nestedObject=new OuterClass.StaticNestedClass();
 - It can access static data members of outer class including <u>private</u>.
 - Static nested class cannot access <u>non-static (instance) data</u> member or method.
- inner class: An inner class is a non-static nested class.
 - To instantiate an inner class, you must first instantiate the outer class. Then, create the inner object within the outer object

Static Nested Classes

If the nested class never uses any instance variables or methods of the outer class, declare it static.

- Static classes cannot access outer class's instance variables or methods.
- Results in a minor savings of memory. See book for more details / exercise.

```
public class SLList {
   private static class IntNode {
      public int item;
      public IntNode next;
      public IntNode(int i, IntNode n) {
        item = i;
        next = n;
      }
      ...
```

We can declare IntNode static, since it never uses any of SLList's instance variables or methods.

Analogy: Static methods had no way to access "my" instance variables. Static classes cannot access "my" outer class's instance variables.

Unimportant note: For private nested classes, access modifiers are irrelevant.

Difference between static and inner (non-static nested) classes

- Static nested classes do not directly have access to other members (non-static variables
 and methods) of the enclosing class because as it is static, it must access the non-static
 members of its enclosing class through an object. That is, it cannot refer to non-static
 members of its enclosing class directly. Because of this restriction, static nested classes
 are seldom used.
- Non-static nested classes (inner classes) has access to all members (static and non-static variables and methods, including private) of its outer class and may refer to them directly in the same way that other non-static members of the outer class do.

Citation and more examples: https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/nested-classes-java/

Object Methods: Equals and toString()

toString()

toString()

If you want a custom String representation of an object, create a toString() method.

• Nothing particularly interesting about it, except that you can rely on it to generate a (nice?) String representation.

```
public String toString() {
    String mood;
    if (angry == true) {
        mood = "displeased";
    } else {
        mood = "happy";
    }
    return name + " is a " + mood + " " + breed +
        " weighing " + size + " standard lb units.";
}
Dog d = new Dog("Lucy",
    "Dachshund", 25);
System.out.println(d);
```

Rules for Equals in Java

Java convention is that equals must be an equivalence relation:

- Reflexive: x.equals(x) is true.
- Symmetric: x.equals(y) is true iff y.equals(x)
- Transitive: x.equals(y) and y.equals(z) implies x.equals(z).

Must also:

- Take an Object argument.
- Be consistent: If x.equals(y), then x must continue to equal y as long as neither changes.
- Never true for null, i.e. x.equals(null) must be false.

Regex: Literals and Metacharacters

<u>Literals</u>: Patterns that are matched literally and exactly

<u>Metacharacters</u>: Special characters that don't represent themselves, but instead have a special meaning.

Escaping: To match the actual character of a metacharacter, it needs to be escaped by preceding it with backslash (\)

Regex: Quantifiers

a*: 0 or more | a+: 1 or more | a?: 0 or 1

 $a{5}$ exactly 5 | $a{2,}$ more than 2

a{a,b} between a and b

ab | cd : match ab or cd

character classes:

. any char, except new line

\w word (digit and char) \W not

\d digit \D not

\s white space \S not

[abc] any of a b or c

[^abc] not a b or c

[a-g] a char between a and g

Other

^ start of string

\$ end of string

\b word boundary

(abc) capture group

\1 backreference to group #1

Wildcards

Character	Description	Example
*	Matches any number of characters. You can use the asterisk (*) anywhere in a character string.	wh* finds what, white, and why, but not awhile or watch.
?	Matches a single alphabet in a specific position.	b?ll finds ball, bell, and bill.
[]	Matches characters within the brackets.	b[ae]ll finds ball and bell, but not bill.
!	Excludes characters inside the brackets.	b[!ae]II finds bill and bull, but not ball or bell. Like "[!a]*" finds all items that do not begin with the letter a.
-	Matches a range of characters. Remember to specify the characters in ascending order (A to Z, not Z to A).	b[a-c]d finds bad, bbd, and bcd.
#	Matches any single numeric character.	1#3 finds 103, 113, and 123.

Difference between Set, List and Map in Java

Duplicate Object:

- List: allow duplicate objects (ArrayList/LinkedList)
- **Set**: **doesn't** allow duplicate objects (HashSet)
- Map: a key and a value and It may contain duplicate values, but <u>keys are always unique</u>.
 (HashMap/Hashtable)

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