Polymorphism in C# - Deep Dive

Polymorphism lets objects of different concrete classes be treated through a shared interface. In C# this is achieved via interfaces and the virtual/override mechanism. The following pages use an animal hierarchy to illustrate:

- Interface-based polymorphism - Runtime dispatch with virtual methods - Extensibility benefits

IHayvan.cs

Interface defining the contract that every animal class must implement.

```
using System;

public interface IHayvan
{
    // omurgalılar, memeliler v.s
    public string sinif();
    // hayvanin adi
    public string tur();
    // Yumurtlama dogurma v.s
    public bool uremeYaparMi();
    public bool soyuTukendiMi();
    public string zehirliMi();
}
```

Yunus.cs

Base class (dolphin). Implements IHayvan. Marks key members virtual for overriding.

```
1 using System;
 2
 3 public class Yunus : IHayvan
 4 {
       //Virtual metod = kalıtımla gelen ve türetilmiş sınıfta override edilebilen metod.
 5
 6
       public virtual bool soyuTukendiMi()
 7
 8
           // Yunusun nesli tukenmediginden false dondurecek
 9
           return false;
10
       public string sinif()
11
12
       {
13
           return "Memeliler";
       }
14
15
       public virtual string tur()
16
17
           return "Yunus";
18
19
       public bool uremeYaparMi()
20
       {
21
           return true;
22
23
       public string zehirliMi()
24
25
           return "Zehirsiz";
       }
26
27 }
```

CinNehirYunusu.cs

Inherits Yunus and overrides its virtual methods to specialise behaviour.

```
1 using System;
2
3
   public class CinNehirYunusu : Yunus
4
   {
 5
       public override bool soyuTukendiMi()
6
           // Yunusun aksine cin nehir yunusu nesli tukenmis bir hayvan
 7
8
           return true;
9
10
       public override string tur()
11
12
           return "Çin Nehir Yunusu";
13
       }
14
   }
```

KralKobra.cs

Implements IHayvan for snake type. Some methods are virtual for later override.

```
using System;
 1
 2
 3
   public class KralKobra: IHayvan
 4
   {
 5
       // burada virtuala gerek yok
        public bool soyuTukendiMi()
 6
 7
            return false;
 8
 9
       public string sinif()
10
11
            return "Sürüngenler";
12
13
       public virtual string tur()
14
15
            return "Yılan";
16
17
       public bool uremeYaparMi()
18
19
20
            return true;
21
       public virtual string zehirliMi()
22
23
            return "Zehirli";
24
25
   }
26
```

HintKralKobrasi.cs

Extends KralKobra. Overrides venom information & species name; adds classspecific method.

```
public class HintKralKobrasi : KralKobra
 2
       public override string zehirliMi()
 3
 4
 5
            return "Çok Çok Zehirli";
 6
       public override string tur()
7
 8
           return "Hint Kral Kobrasi";
9
10
11
       // interface'ye ek metod
12
       public int HintKralKobrasinaOzgunMetod()
13 l
14
           return 30;
15
16
17
   }
```

Istemci.cs

Client that receives an IHayvan reference and prints information without knowing concrete type.

```
1 using System;
3 public class Istemci
4 {
5
       public Istemci(IHayvan hayvan)
6
7
           Console.WriteLine("Hayvan Türü:" + hayvan.tur());
8
           Console.WriteLine();
           Console.WriteLine("Soyu tükendi mi?" + hayvan.soyuTukendiMi());
9
           Console.WriteLine();
10
           Console.WriteLine("Hayvan zehirli mi?" + hayvan.zehirliMi());
11
12
13 }
```

Program.cs

Entry point. Randomly creates an animal and feeds it into Istemcidemonstrates runtime polymorphism.

```
1 using System;
 2
 3 namespace Polimorfizm
4 {
 5
       class Program
 6
 7
           static void Main(string[] args)
 8
 9
               Random random = new Random();
10
               int rastgeleSayi = random.Next(1,5);
11
               IHayvan rastgeleHayvan = rastgeleHayvanUret(rastgeleSayi);
12
13
               Yunus yunus = new Yunus();
14
               CinNehirYunusu cinNehirYunusu = new CinNehirYunusu();
15
               KralKobra kralKobra = new KralKobra();
16
17
               HintKralKobrasi hintKralKobrasi = new HintKralKobrasi();
18
               // KralKobra kralKobra();
19
20
               // KralKobra kralKobra3 = new KralKobra();
21
22
               Istemci istemci = new Istemci(hintKralKobrasi);
23
24
25
           public static IHayvan rastgeleHayvanUret(int rastgeleSayi)
26
27
               if(rastgeleSayi == 1)
28
               {
29
                   Yunus yunus = new Yunus();
30
                   return yunus;
31
32
               else if(rastgeleSayi == 2){
33
                   CinNehirYunusu cinNehirYunusu = new CinNehirYunusu();
34
                   return cinNehirYunusu;
35
               else if(rastgeleSayi == 3){
36
37
                   KralKobra kralKobra = new KralKobra();
38
                   return kralKobra;
39
               }
               else
40
41
               {
                   Yunus yunus = new Yunus();
42
43
                   return yunus;
44
               }
45
          }
46
       }
47 }
```

Why Polymorphism?

- Single client code interacts with many animal types through IHayvan.
- Adding a new animal requires zero changes to Istemci or Program.
- The open/closed principle is satisfied system is open for extension, closed for modification.

Execution Flow

- 1. Program randomly selects an IHayvan implementation.
- 2. Reference is passed to Istemci.
- 3. Calls to tur(), soyuTukendiMi() etc. are dispatched at runtime to the overriding methods.