

Java Week 3 (2)

Inner classes, Abstract methods and classes, Is-A and class diagrams,
interfaces (start)

Plan

- Review Inner classes
- The Is-A relationship
- Abstract classes
- Abstract methods
- Class diagrams
- Interfaces

Inner classes (in more detail)

- AKA Nested Class
- Class written in a class (Outer Class – Inner Class)

```
class Outer {  
    class Inner {  
    }  
}
```

- Static and Non-static (3 versions)

Static Inner Class

- Static class so can be accessed without instantiation

```
class Outer {  
    static class Static_Inner {  
    }  
}
```

- Does not have access to instance variables and methods of the outer class
- Accessed like a method using the . operator

Static Inner Example

Multiple static inners?

```
1 public class Outer_SI {  
2     int outerInt = 3; //outer instance variable  
3     static class Inner_SI {  
4         public void display() {  
5             System.out.println("This is a static inner class");  
6             //System.out.println(outerInt); //wont compile  
7         }  
8     }  
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10    This is a static inner class  
11  
12    public static void main(String args[]) {  
13        Outer_SI.Inner_SI innerObj = new Outer_SI.Inner_SI();  
14        // use .Inner_SI to instantiate as no inner object  
15        innerObj.display();  
16    }  
17}
```

Non-static inner classes

- **3 types**
- Inner class
 - private or public
- Method local inner class
 - Neither private or public (method local)
- Anonymous inner class

Inner class (private or public)

- Write the class within a class
- We can make it private (unlike outer classes)
 - Little point if public
- Methods in the outer class can instantiate the inner class
- These outer class methods can be called from the main method in a different class

Inner class (private)

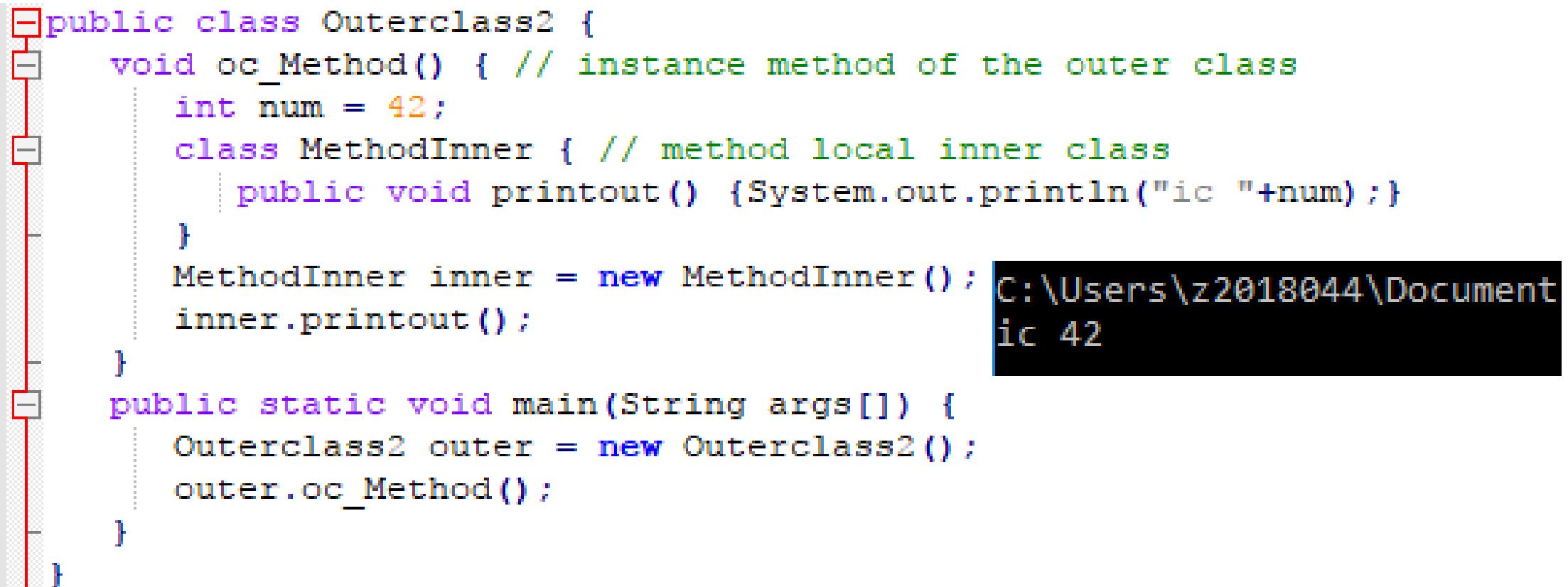
```
1  class Outer_IC { //outer class
2      //static int y = 2;
3      private class Inner_Demo { //private inner class
4          int x = 1;
5          public void print() {
6              System.out.println("I am in inner class " + x);
7          }
8      }
9      void display() { //method accesses a private class
10         Inner_Demo inner = new Inner_Demo();
11         inner.print();
12     }
13 }
14
15
16 public class Test_Outer_IC {
17     public static void main(String args[]) {
18         Outer_IC outer = new Outer_IC();
19         outer.display(); //allows access to methods and variables from private class
20     }
21 }
```

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I am in inner class 1

Method local inner classes

- A class that only exists inside a method (like a local variable)

```
1 public class Outerclass2 {  
2     void oc_Method() { // instance method of the outer class  
3         int num = 42;  
4         class MethodInner { // method local inner class  
5             public void printout() {System.out.println("ic "+num);}  
6         }  
7         MethodInner inner = new MethodInner();  
8         inner.printout();  
9     }  
10    public static void main(String args[]) {  
11        Outerclass2 outer = new Outerclass2();  
12        outer.oc_Method();  
13    }  
14 }
```



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Method local inner classes

- Why would we do such a thing?
- increase the readability

Anonymous Inner Class

- The (inner) class with no name!
- Declared and instantiated at same time (else how would we identify them?)
- Used for overriding methods...more later

Anonymous Inner Class Method example

```
1  public class AnonymousClassDemo
2  {
3      public static void main(String[] args)
4      {
5          Dog dog = new Dog() {
6              public void someDog() //no semicolon
7              {
8                  System.out.println("Anonymous Dog");
9              }
10         }; // anonymous class body closes here
11         //dog contains an object of anonymous subclass of Dog.
12         dog.someDog();
13     }
14 }
15
16 class Dog
17 {
18     public void someDog()
19     {
20         System.out.println("Classic Dog");
21     }
22 }
```

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Anonymous Dog
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Abstraction

- Dictionary definition of Abstract
 - Thought of apart from concrete realities, specific objects, or actual instances:
Eg. an abstract idea.
 - Expressing a quality or characteristic apart from any specific object or instance, as justice, poverty, and speed.
- In java we mean the process of hiding the implementation details and only showing what the object does to the user.
- Partly, this is inherent in the message passing nature of java but we also have:
- **Abstract classes and abstract methods**

Abstract Classes

- Abstract classes cannot be instantiated (they produce no objects)
- It needs to be declared abstract

```
public abstract class XYZ { ... }
```

- Can be subclassed
- These extending classes are called **concrete classes**
- **So an abstract class has no use until unless it is extended by some other class.**
- Useful when every child will override

example

```
2  abstract class AnimalAb{ //abstract
3      public abstract void sound(); //abstract method, doesnt do anything
4  }
5  public class Dog extends AnimalAb{ //inheritance
6
7      public void sound(){
8          System.out.println("Bark");
9      }
10     public static void main(String args[]){
11         AnimalAb obj = new Dog(); //instantiate object
12         obj.sound(); //use the method
13     }
14 }
15
16 }
```

Command Prompt

```
C:\Users\z2018044\Documents\JavaLab2>java Dog
Bark

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```

Abstract Method

- A method with no implementation (it does nothing)
- Only abstract classes can contain abstract methods
- Any subclass of this class must contain implementations for all of the abstract methods in its superclass class..
 - ..if not, then it too is abstract (remains abstract?)
- An abstract class can contain abstract and non-abstract methods

Abstract class and methods

```
1  abstract class AnimalAb2{  
2      int a = 1;  
3      abstract void sound(); //abstract method  
4      void travel(){ //concrete method  
5          System.out.println("I walk");  
6      }  
7  }
```

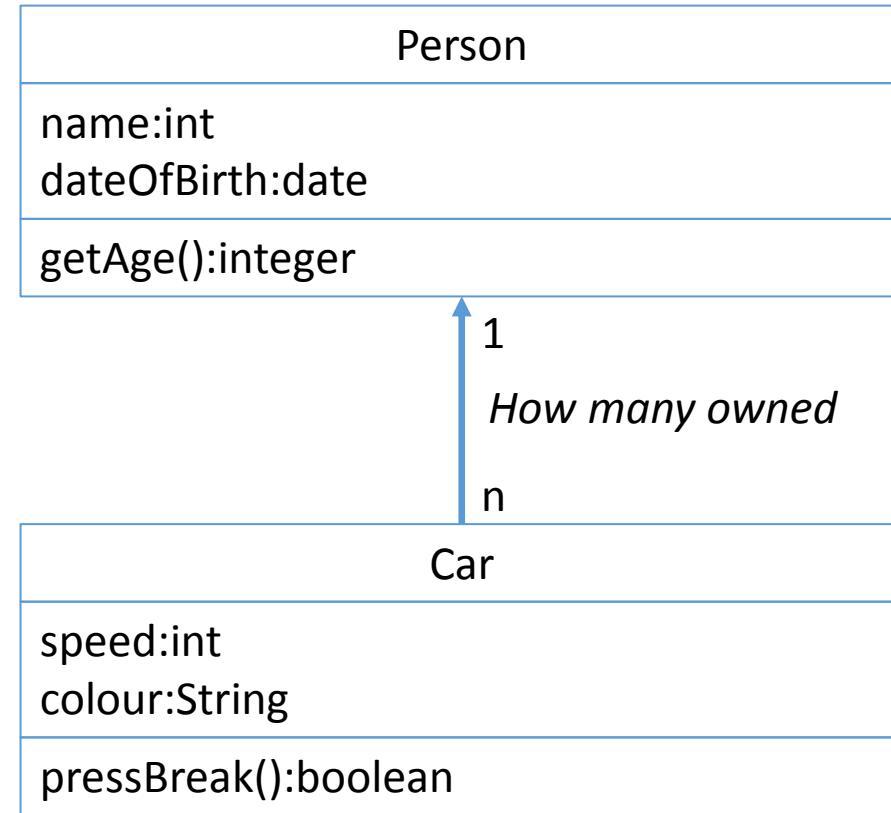
Subclasses of abstract classes

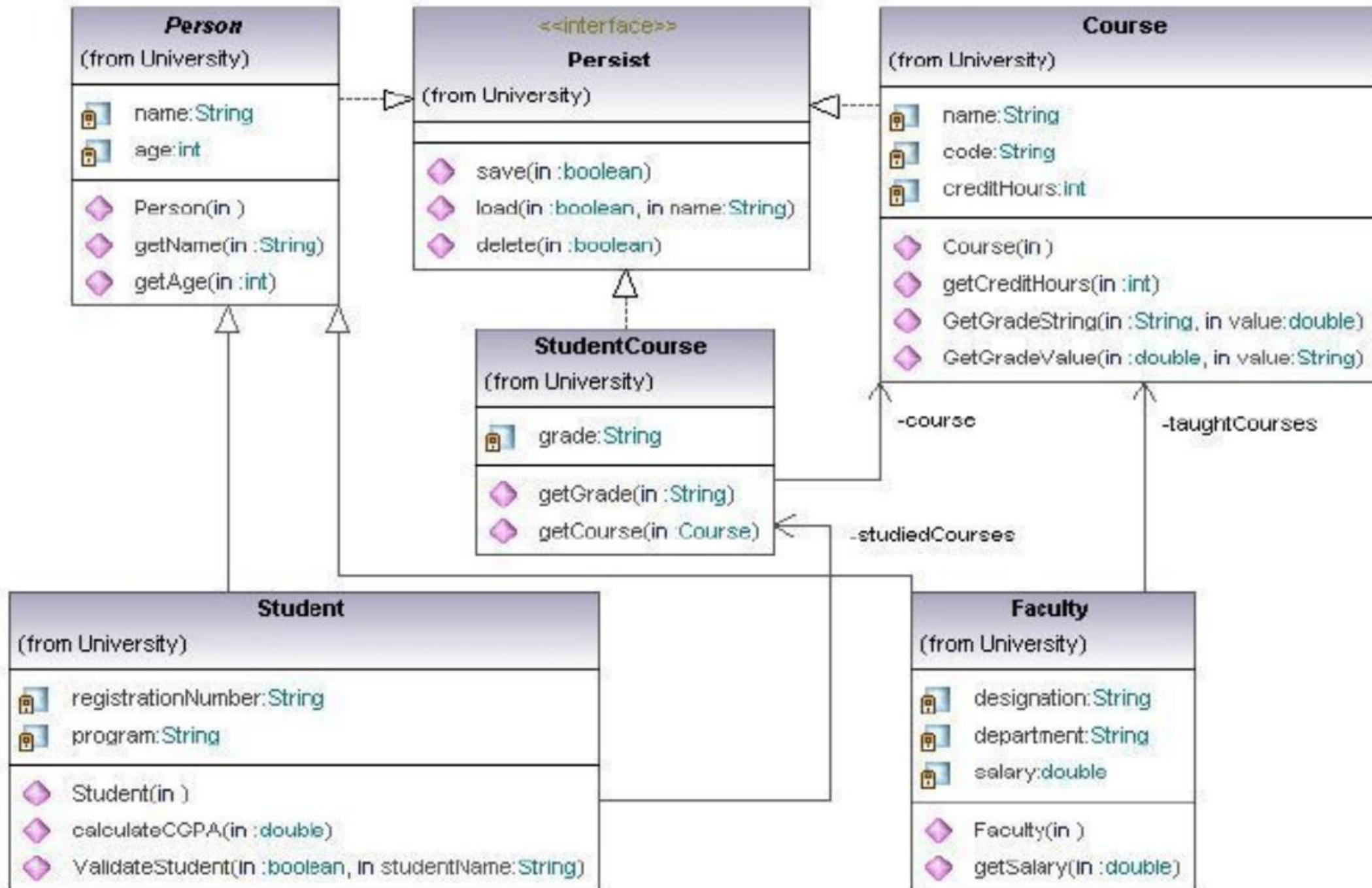
- If the subclass of an abstract class doesn't contain all of its methods then it has to also be an abstract class
- A subclass with all methods from an abstract class no longer needs to be an abstract class
- If you declare an abstract method in a class then you **must** declare the class abstract as well but a class that has no abstract method **can** be marked as abstract.

Class Diagrams

- (part of UML)
- Diagram showing a systems classes
- Each class has 3 compartments
 - The top compartment contains the name of the class.
 - The middle compartment contains the attributes of the class.
 - The bottom compartment contains the operations the class can execute. (methods)

Class diagrams



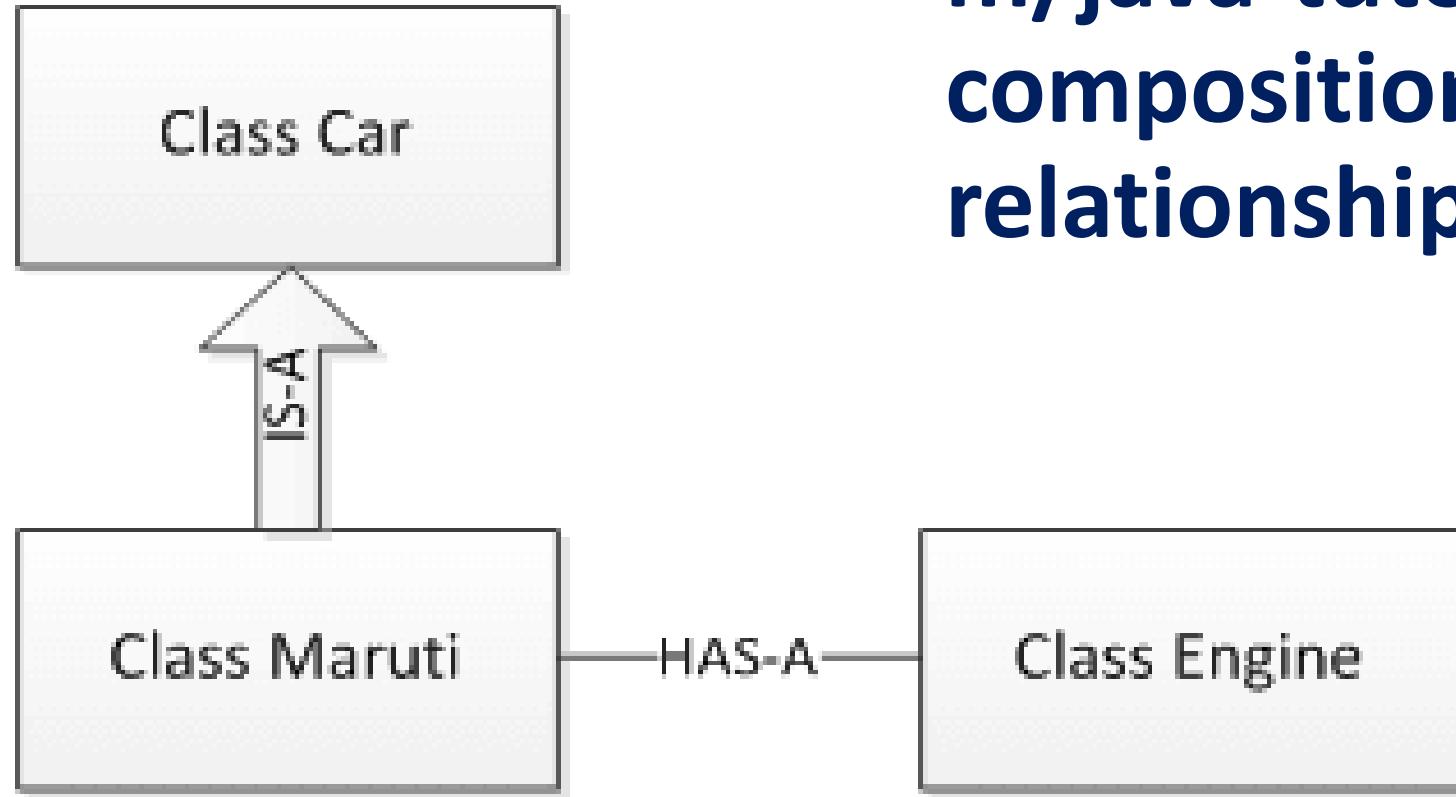


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The IS-A and HAS-A relationships

- Reusable code, core to OOP
- Whenever you extend class Alpha (or implements) to produce a new class Beta then
 - Beta IS-A Alpha
- This is unidirectional (Alpha IS-A Beta is false)
- Whenever one class uses different public class
 - Beta HAS-A Gamma



<https://www.w3resource.com/java-tutorial/inheritance-composition-relationship.php>

Interfaces

- It is a collection of methods. (like a Class)
- These methods must be of abstract type
- Abstract methods provide the blueprint but the subclass must provide the implementation
- Interfaces fully separate the interface from its implementation
- Interface defines a set of methods..
- ..but these methods contain NO body
- Main difference between abstract class and interface is that interfaces....

Useful stuff

- What is OOP – from the guy that first used the term:
 - http://userpage.fu-berlin.de/~ram/pub/pub_jf47ht81Ht/doc_kay_oop_en
 - In two words - "message passing"
- What is message passing?
 - <https://softwareengineering.stackexchange.com/questions/140602/what-is-message-passing-in-oo>
 - In a few words - objects sending each other messages, the content AND structure of which informs how receiving objects behave