Inheritance

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1 Creating Cats

Given the Animal class, fill in the definition of the Cat class so that when greet() is called, the label "Cat" (instead of "Animal") is printed to the screen. Assume that a Cat will make a "Meow!" noise if the cat is 5 years or older and "MEOW!" if the cat is less than 5 years old.

```
public class Animal {
        protected String name, noise;
        protected int age;
        public Animal(String name, int age) {
             this.name = name;
            this.age = age;
             this.noise = "Huh?";
        }
10
        public String makeNoise() {
11
             if (age < 5) {
12
                 return noise.toUpperCase();
13
                 return noise;
15
        }
17
18
        public void greet() {
19
             System.out.println("Animal " + name + " says: " + makeNoise());
20
        }
21
    }
22
    public class Cat extends Animal {
```

```
public class Cat extends Animal{
    1 usage
    public Cat(String name, int age) {
        super(name, age);
        this.noise = "Meow!";
    }
    4 usages
    @Override
    public void greet() {
        System.out.println("Cat " + name + " says: " + makeNoise());
    }
}
```

2 Raining Cats and Dogs

2.1 Assume that Animal and Cat are defined as above. What would Java print on each of the indicated lines?

```
public class TestAnimals {
        public static void main(String[] args) {
            Animal a = new Animal("Pluto", 10);
            Cat c = new Cat("Garfield", 6);
            Dog d = new Dog("Fido", 4);
                                  // (A) Animal Pluto says: Huh?
            a.greet();
                                  // (B) Cat Garfield says: Moew!
            c.greet();
                                  // (c) Dog Fido says: WOOF!
            d.greet();
            a = c;
10
                                         Cat Garfield says: Moew!
            ((Cat) a).greet();
                                 // (D)
11
                                         Cat Garfield says: Meow!
                                  // (E)
            a.greet();
12
        }
13
    }
14
15
    public class Dog extends Animal {
16
        public Dog(String name, int age) {
17
            super(name, age);
18
            noise = "Woof!";
19
        }
20
21
        @Override
22
        public void greet() {
23
            System.out.println("Dog " + name + " says: " + makeNoise());
24
25
        }
26
        public void playFetch() {
27
            System.out.println("Fetch, " + name + "!");
        }
29
30
    }
    Consider what would happen if we added the following to the bottom of main under
    line 12:
    a = new Dog("Spot", 10);
```

Why would this code produce a compiler error? How could we fix this error?

```
\underline{\underline{a}} = \text{new Dog( name: "Spot", age: 10);}
\underline{\underline{d}} = (\text{Dog}) \underline{a};
```

Because during compilation time, the compiler only checks static type. The static type of a is still Animal, so it cannot be put into the box of a Dog(d)

3 An Exercise in Inheritance Misery Extra

3.1 Cross out any lines that cause compile-time errors or cascading errors (failures that occur because of an error that happened earlier in the program), and put an X through runtime errors (if any). Don't just limit your search to main, there could be errors in classes A,B,C. What does D.main output after removing these lines?

```
class A {
        public int x = 5;
2
        public void m1() {System.out.println("Am1-> " + x);}
        public void m2() {System.out.println("Am2-> " + this.x);}
        public void update() {x = 99;}
    }
6
    class B extends A {
        public void m2() {System.out.println("Bm2-> " + x);}
        public void m2(int y) {System.out.println("Bm2y-> " + y);}
        public void m3() {System.out.println("Bm3-> " + "called");}
10
11
                                                                               overloading
    class C extends B {
12
        public int y = x + 1;
13
        public void m2() {System.out.println("Cm2-> " + super.x);}
14
        public void m4() {System.out.println("Cm4-> " + super.super.x);}
15
        public void m5() {System.out.println("Cm5-> " + y);}
16
                                                                     super.x is valid
    }
17
                                                                     super.super.x is not
    class D {
18
        public static void main (String[] args) {
19
            B = a\theta = new A();
20
            a0.m1();
                            A cannot be put
            a0.m2(16);
22
                            into a smaller box
            A b0 = new B();
            System.out.println(b0.x);
24
            b0.m1(); Am1-> 5
25
            b0.m2(); Bm2-> 5
26
                                        dynamic dispatch is
            b0.m2(61); Bm2y-> 61
                                         not applicable for
27
                                        overloading
            B b1 = new B();
28
            b1.m2(61); Bm2y-> 61
29
            b1.m3(); Bm3-> called
30
            A c0 = new C();
31
            c0.m2(); Cm2-> 5
32
            C c1 = (A) new C();
33
            A a1 = (A) c0;
34
            C c2 = (C) a1;
35
            c2.m3(); Bm3-> called
36
            c2.m4(); Cm4-> 5
37
            c2.m5(); Cm5-> 6
38
            ((C) c0).m3(); Bm3-> called
39
            (C) c0.m3();
                                 cannot case the result,
40
            b0.update();
                                 complication error
41
            b0.m1(); Am1-> 99
42
        }
43
```

44 }