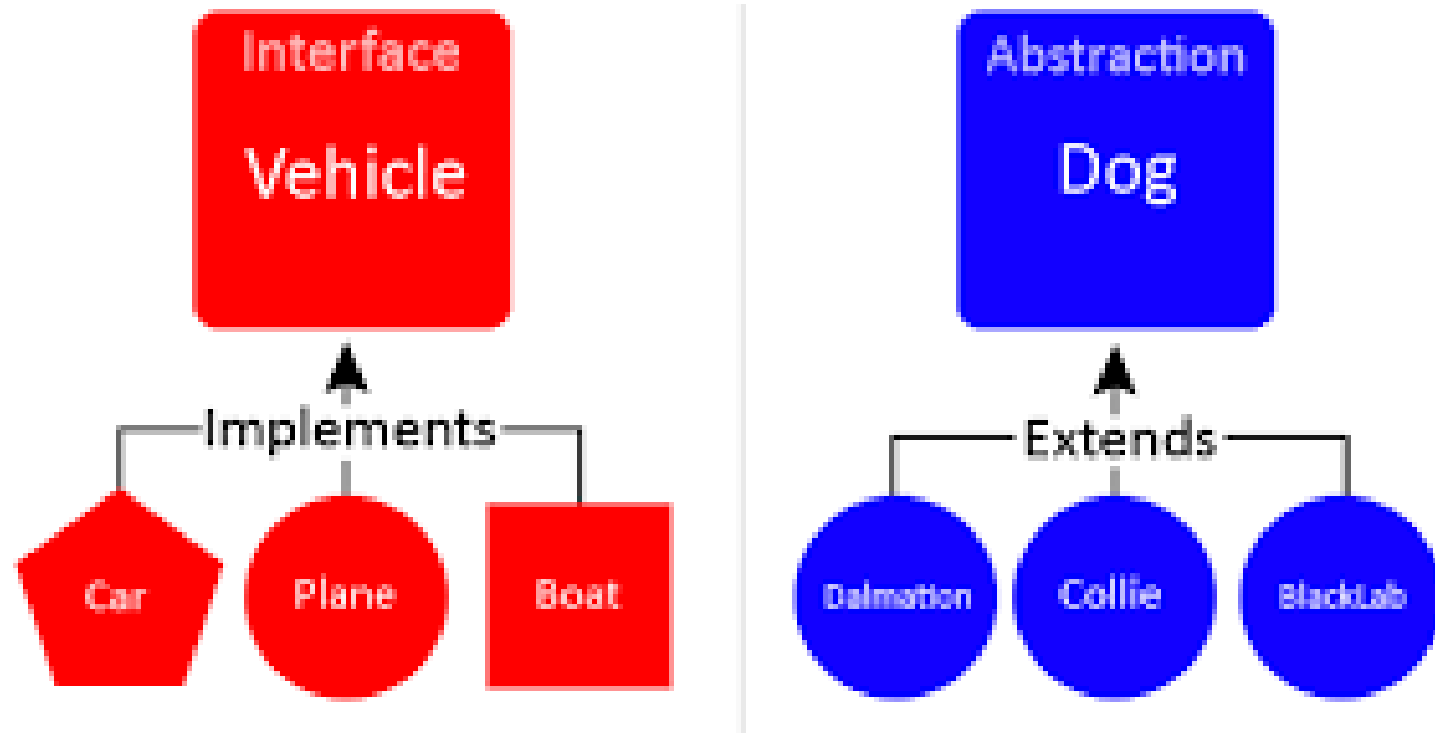
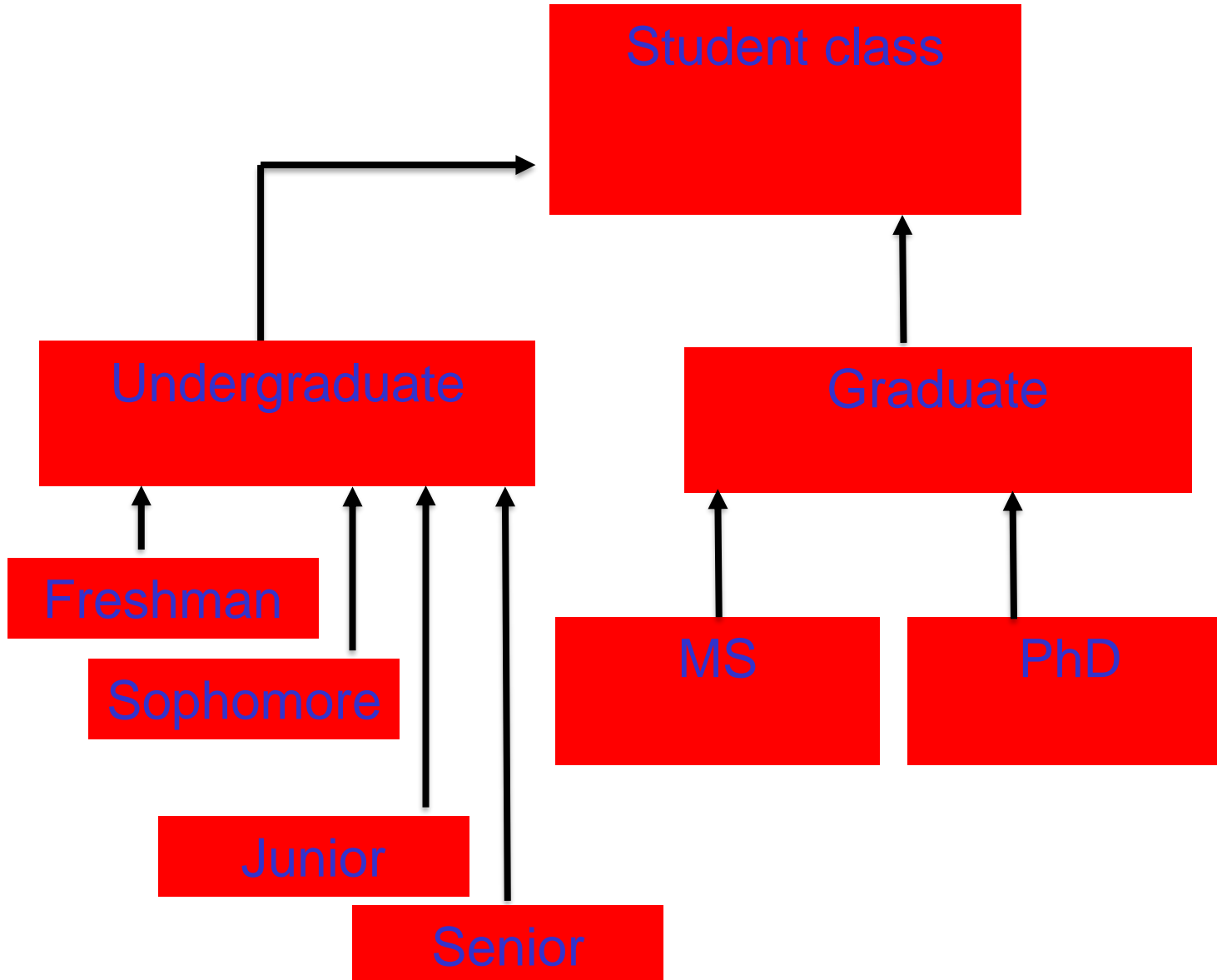


Principles of the Object-Oriented Paradigm

Interfaces vs. Abstract Classes



Student Hierarchy



Case Study

```
public class Student {  
    private Name sname;  
    private String sid;  
    private Date dob;  
    private double gpa;
```


```
    public Student() {  
        System.out.println( "Student()" );  
        sname = new Name( ... );  
        dob = new Date( ... );  
        sid = "UNDEFINED";  
        gpa = 0.0;  
    }
```

```
    public Student( String fname, char mi, String lname, String sid ) {  
  
        System.out.println( "Student(" + fname + ", " + mi + ", " + lname + ", " + sid );  
        sname = new Name( fname, mi, lname );  
        this.sid = sid;  
    }
```

```
    public Student( String fname, char mi, String lname, String sid, int bm, int bd,  
        this(fname, mi, lname, sid);  
        System.out.println( "Student(" + fname + ", ..., " + sid + "... " + gpa + ")" );  
        this.dob = new Date( bm, bd, by );  
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```

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        gpa = 0.0;  
    }  
  
    public Student( String fname, char mi, String lname, String sid ) {  
  
        System.out.println( "Student(" + fname + ", " + mi + ", " + lname + ", " + sid );  
        sname = new Name( fname, mi, lname );  
        this.sid = sid;  
    }  
  
    public Student( String fname, char mi, String lname, String sid, int bm, int bd,  
        this(fname, mi, lname, sid);  
        System.out.println( "Student(" + fname + ", ..., " + sid + "... " + gpa + ")" );  
        this.dob = new Date( bm, bd, by );  
        this.gpa = gpa;  
    }
```



Case Study

```
public class Student {  
    private Name sname;  
    private String sid;  
    private Date dob;  
    private double gpa;  
  
    .  
    .  
    .  
  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "Student::calculateGPA(): " );  
  
        return( 4.0 );  
    }  
  
    public String toString() {  
        return( sname + ", (" + sid + ") " + dob + " " + gpa );  
    }  
  
} // class
```

Case Study

```
public class UndergraduateStudent extends Student {  
  
    private String year;  
  
    public UndergraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "UndergraduateStudent()" );  
  
        year = "NON DEGREE";  
    }  
  
    public UndergraduateStudent( String fname, char mi, String lname, String  
sid, int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa, String year ) {  
        super( fname, mi, lname, sid, bm, bd, by, gpa );  
  
        System.out.println( "UndergraduateStudent(" + fname + " .... " + sid  
+ " .... " + gpa + ")" );  
        this.year = year;  
    }  
  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "UndergraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + " " + year );  
    }  
}
```

Case Study

```
public class UndergraduateStudent extends Student {
```

```
    private String year;
```

```
    public UndergraduateStudent() {
```

```
        System.out.println( "UndergraduateStudent()" );
```

```
        year = "NON DEGREE";
```

```
    }
```

```
    public UndergraduateStudent(  
        sid, int bm, int bd, int by, dou  
        super( fname, mi, lname,
```

```
        System.out.println( "Und  
+ " .... " + gpa + ")" );  
        this.year = year;
```

```
    }
```

```
    public void degreeClearing() {
```

```
        System.out.println( "UndergraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );
```

```
    }
```

```
    public String toString() {
```

```
        return( super.toString() + " " + year);
```

```
    }
```

- **Inherits** the calculateGPA method
- **Implements** a degreeClearing method.
- **Overrides** the toString method

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Case Study

```
public class GraduateStudent extends Student {  
  
    private String undergraduateMajor; // major in undergraduate studies  
    private String specialization;     // MS specialization  
  
    public GraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        undergraduateMajor = "UNKNOWN";  
        specialization = "GENERAL";  
    }  
    public GraduateStudent( String fname, char mi, String lname, String sid,  
int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa, String um ) {  
        super( fname, mi, lname, sid, bm, bd, by, gpa );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent( ... .. " + um + ")" );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = um;  
    }  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + " " + undergraduateMajor + " " +  
specialization );  
    }  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA() " );  
        return( 5.0 );  
    }  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
}
```


Case Study

```
public class GraduateStudent extends Student {  
  
    private String undergraduateMajor; // major in undergraduate studies  
    private String specialization;     // MS specialization  
  
    public GraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        undergraduateMajor = "UNMAJORED";  
        specialization = "GENERAL";  
    }  
    public GraduateStudent( String fname, String lname, String sid,  
        int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa ) {  
        super( fname, mi, lname, sid, bm, bd, by, gpa );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = um;  
    }  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + " " + undergraduateMajor + " " +  
specialization );  
    }  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA() " );  
        return( 5.0 );  
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        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
}
```

- Overrides the calculateGPA method
- Overrides the toString method

Case Study

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        undergraduateMajor = "UNKNOWN";  
        specialization = "GENERAL";  
    }  
    public GraduateStudent( String fname, char mi, String lname, String sid,  
int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa, String um ) {  
        super( fname, mi, lname, sid, bm, bd, by, gpa );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = "UNKNOWN";  
    }  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() +  
specialization );  
    }  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA() " );  
        return( 5.0 );  
    }  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
}
```


- Overrides the calculateGPA method
- Overrides the toString method
- Implements a degreeClearing method

Case Study

```
public class GraduateStudent extends Student {  
  
    private String undergraduateMajor; // major in undergraduate studies  
    private String specialization;      // MS specialization  
  
    public GraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        undergraduateMajor = "Computer Science";  
        specialization = "AI";  
    }  
  
    public GraduateStudent( String um, String sp, int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa ) {  
        super( fname, lname, bm, bd, by );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent( " + um + " " + sp + " " + bm + " " + bd + " " + by + " " + gpa + " )" );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = um;  
        this.specialization = sp;  
    }  
  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + " " + undergraduateMajor + " " + specialization );  
    }  
  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA() " );  
        return( 5.0 );  
    }  
  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
}
```

Can the following call be made?

```
Student s = new GraduateStudent( .. );  
system.out.println( s.toString() );
```



Case Study

```
public class GraduateStudent extends Student {  
  
    private String undergraduateMajor; // major in undergraduate studies  
    private String specialization;     // MS specialization  
  
    public GraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        undergraduateMajor = "Computer Science";  
        specialization = "AI";  
    }  
  
    public GraduateStudent( String bm, int bd, int bs, String sp ) {  
        int bm, int bd, int bs, String sp;  
        super( fname, lname, age, sex );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent( " );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = bm;  
        this.specialization = sp;  
    }  
  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + " " + undergraduateMajor + " " +  
        specialization );  
    }  
  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA() " );  
        return( 5.0 );  
    }  
  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
}
```

Can the following call be made?

Student s = new GraduateStudent(..);
system.out.println(s.calculateGPA()); ✓
// method is defined in Student class and
// overridden in GraduateStudent class.

Case Study

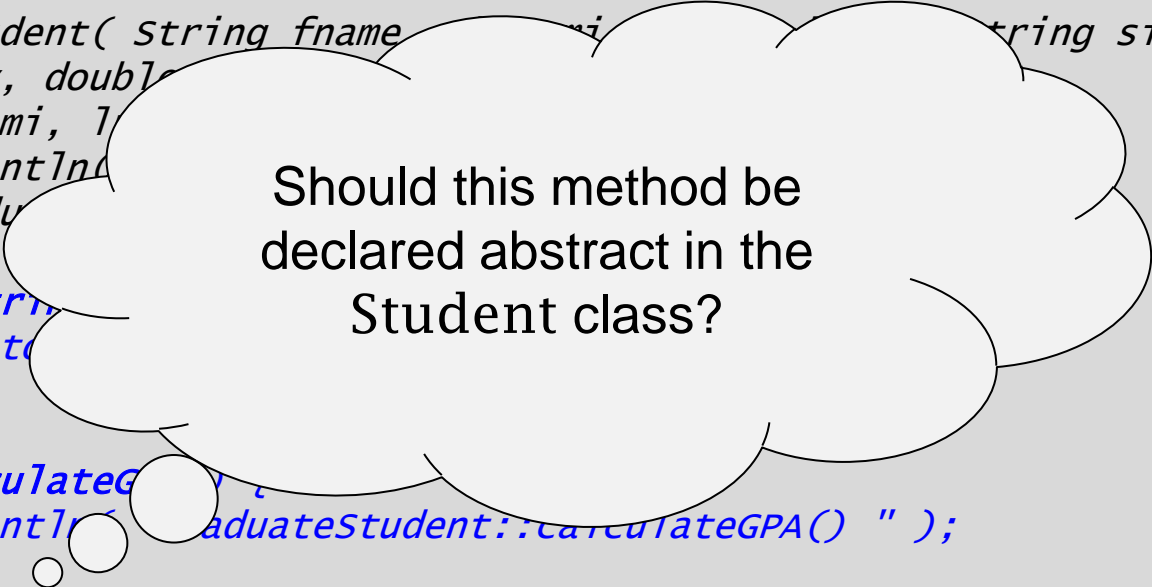
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    private String undergraduateMajor; // major in undergraduate studies  
    private String specialization;      // MS specialization  
  
    public GraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        undergraduateMajor = "Computer Science";  
        specialization = "MS in Computer Science";  
    }  
    public GraduateStudent( String bm, int bd, int bn, String fnam, String lname, int age ) {  
        super( fnam, lname, age );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent: " + bm + " " + bd + " " + bn + " " + fnam + " " + lname );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = bm; // bm is a String  
    }  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + " " + undergraduateMajor + " " + specialization );  
    }  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA() " );  
        return( 5.0 );  
    }  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
}
```

Can the following call be made?

Student s = new GraduateStudent(..); ✖
System.out.println(s.degreeClearing());
// Method is defined in Undergraduate and Graduate class but **not** known in Student.

Case Study

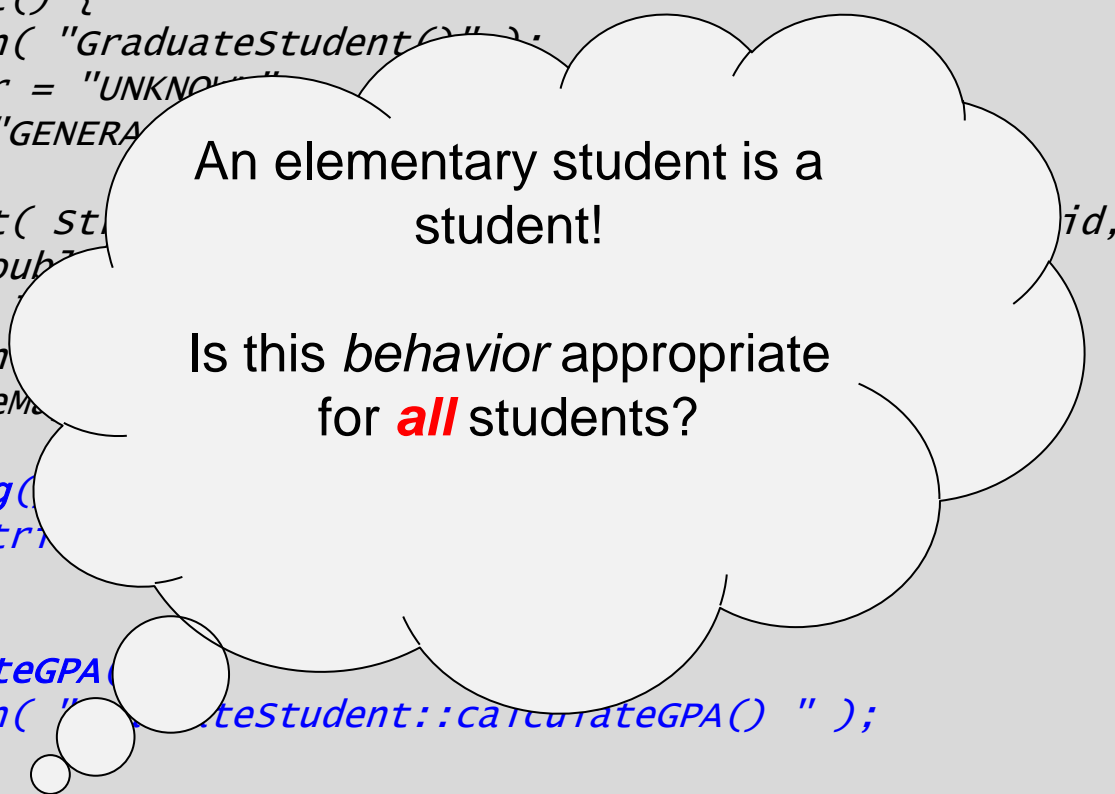
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    private String undergraduateMajor; // major in undergraduate studies  
    private String specialization;      // MS specialization  
  
    public GraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        undergraduateMajor = "UNKNOWN";  
        specialization = "GENERAL";  
    }  
    public GraduateStudent( String fname, String mi, String sid,  
        int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa ) {  
        super( fname, mi, 1 );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::GraduateStudent()" );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = "UNKNOWN";  
    }  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + "Specialization: " +  
            specialization );  
    }  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA()" );  
        return( 5.0 );  
    }  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
}
```



Should this method be declared abstract in the Student class?

Case Study

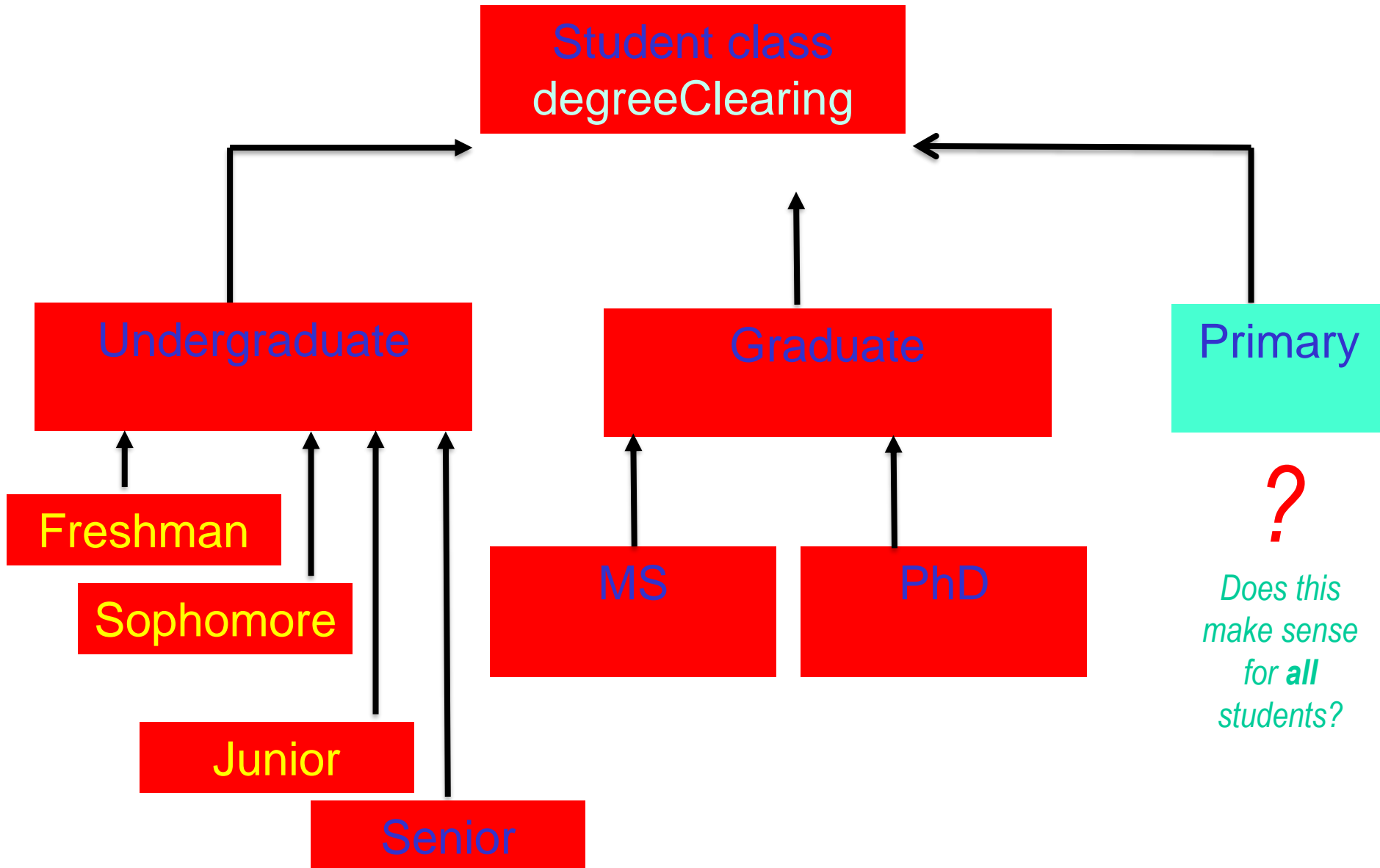
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    private String specialization;      // MS specialization  
  
    public GraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        undergraduateMajor = "UNKNOWN";  
        specialization = "GENERAL";  
    }  
    public GraduateStudent( String fname, String mi, String id,  
        int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa ) {  
        super( fname, mi, id, bm, bd, by );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::constructor" );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = "UNKNOWN";  
    }  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + "  
specialization );  
    }  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA() " );  
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    }  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
}
```



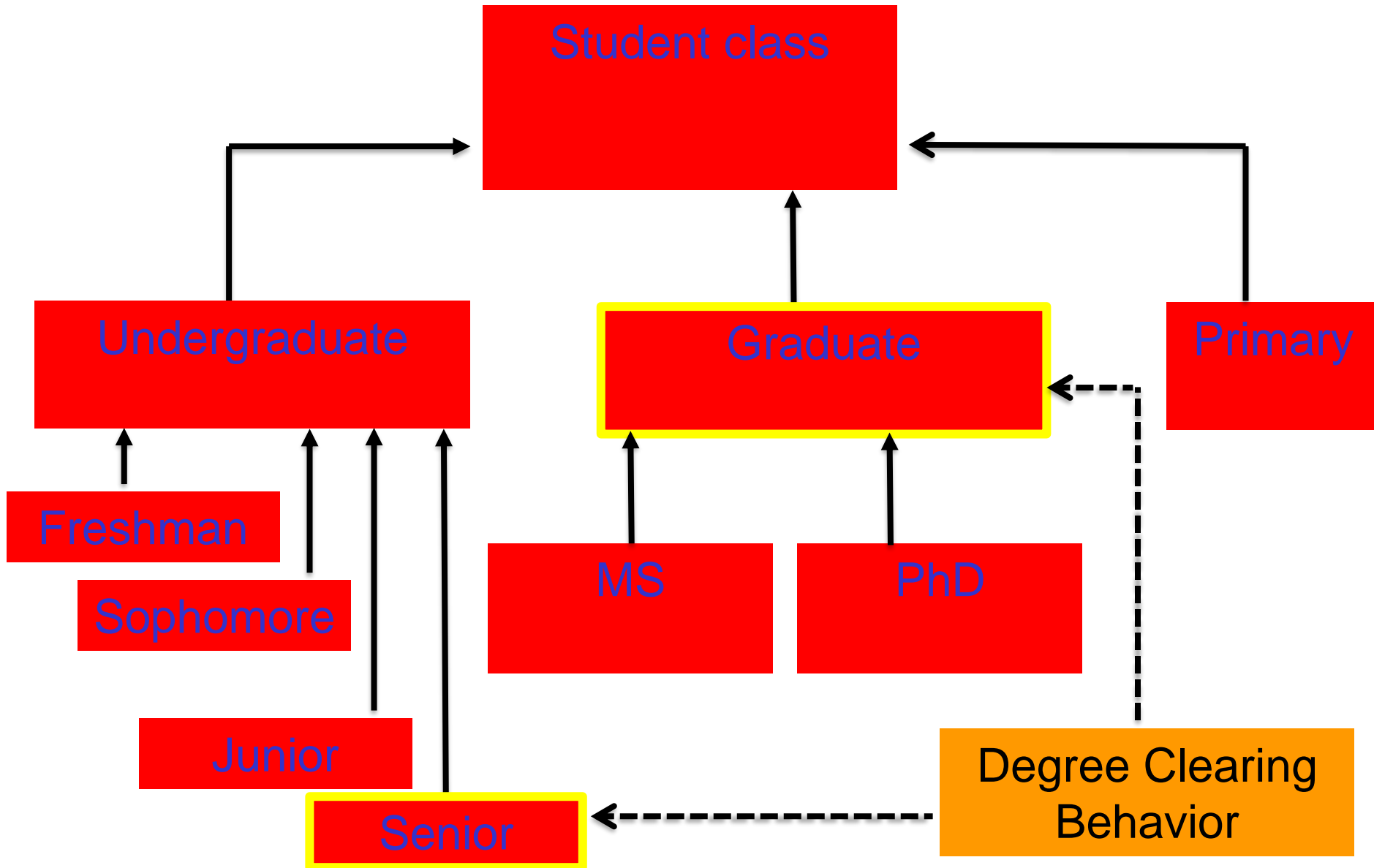
An elementary student is a student!

Is this *behavior* appropriate for **all** students?

Student Hierarchy

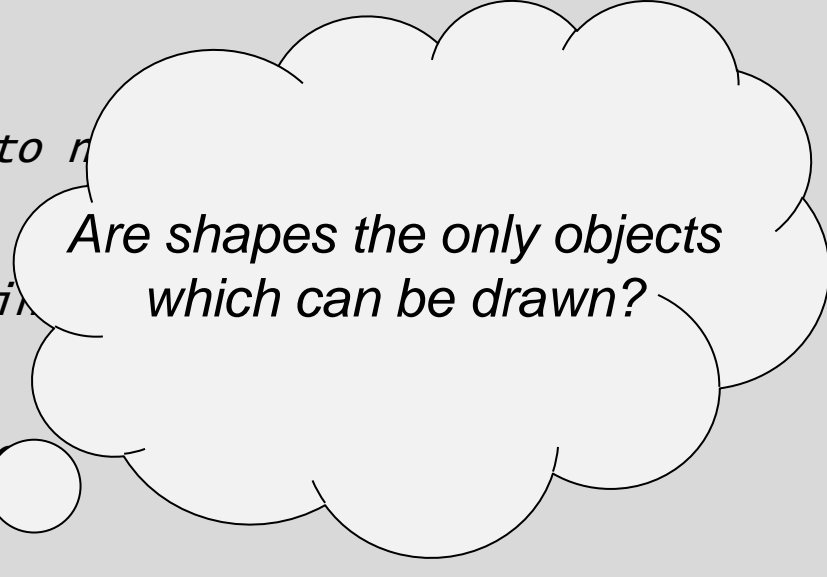


Student Hierarchy



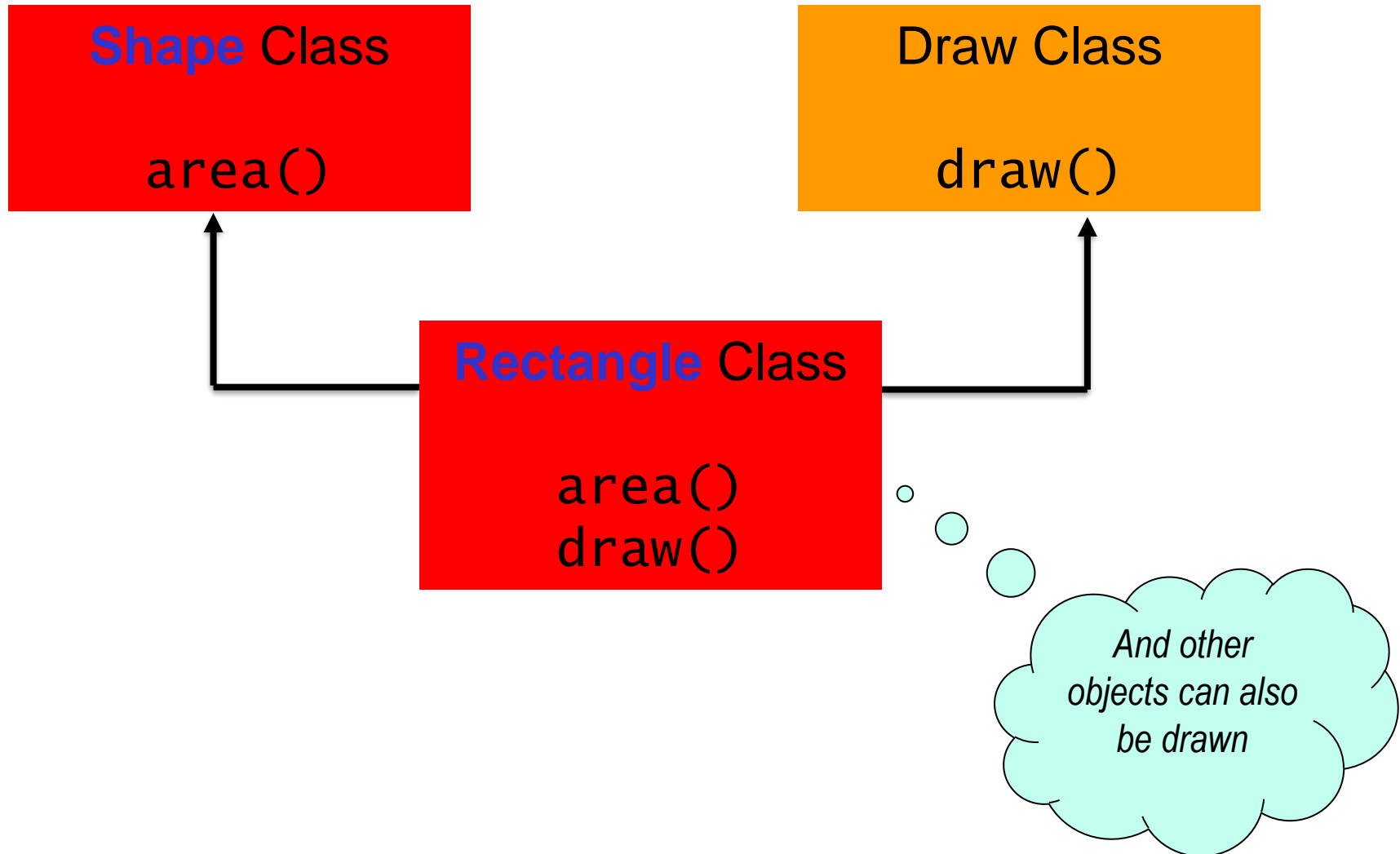
Shape, an abstract class

```
public abstract class Shape {  
    // members common to all shapes  
    String shapeName;           // name of the shape  
    Point p;                    // some x, y coordinates  
    Color c;                     // color  
  
    // constructors  
    Shape() {  
        // assign default values to members  
    }  
    Shape(String name) {  
        this();                 // invoke the default constructor  
        shapeName = name;  
    }  
    // methods common to all shapes  
    public String toString() {  
        return( shapeName );  
    }  
    abstract public double area();  
    abstract public void draw();  
}
```

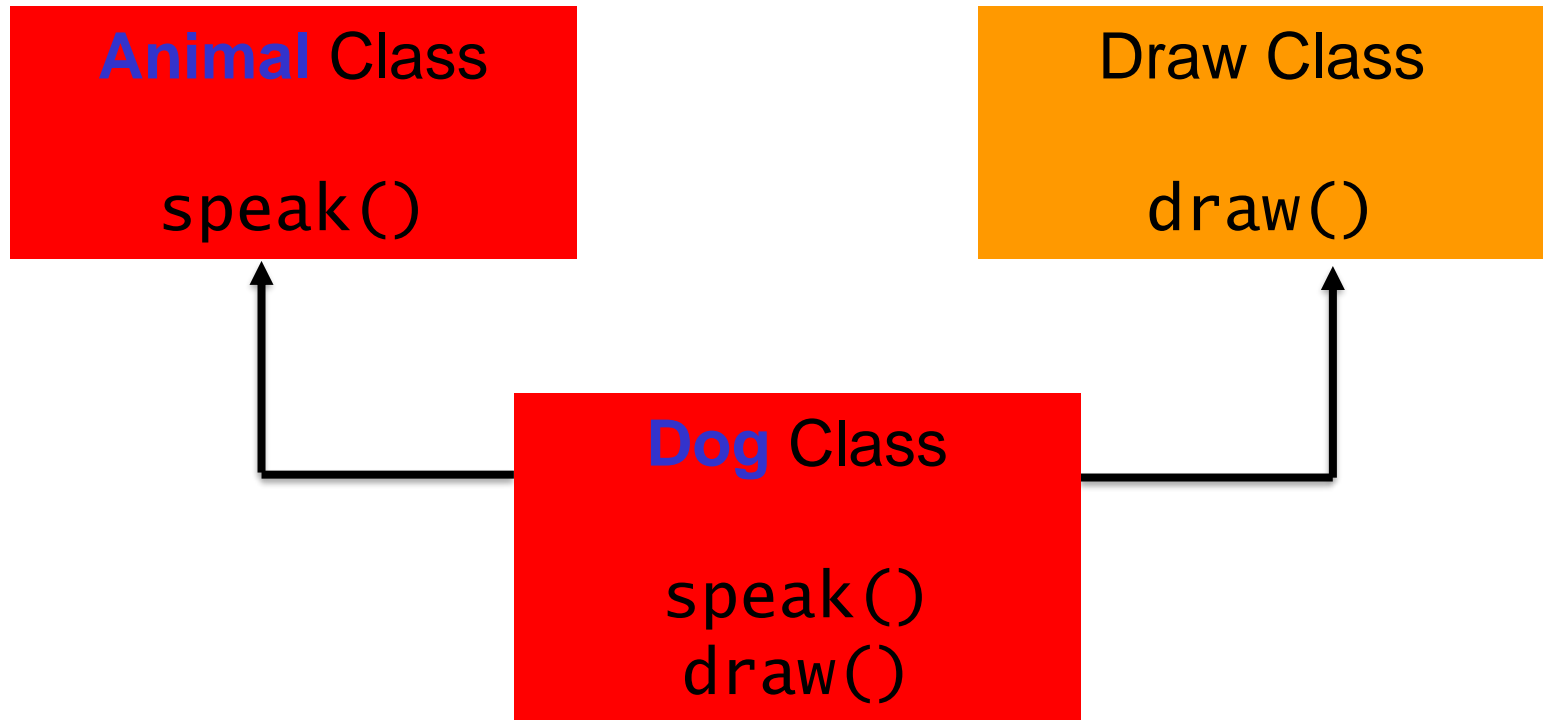


Are shapes the only objects
which can be drawn?

Need for Multiple Inheritance

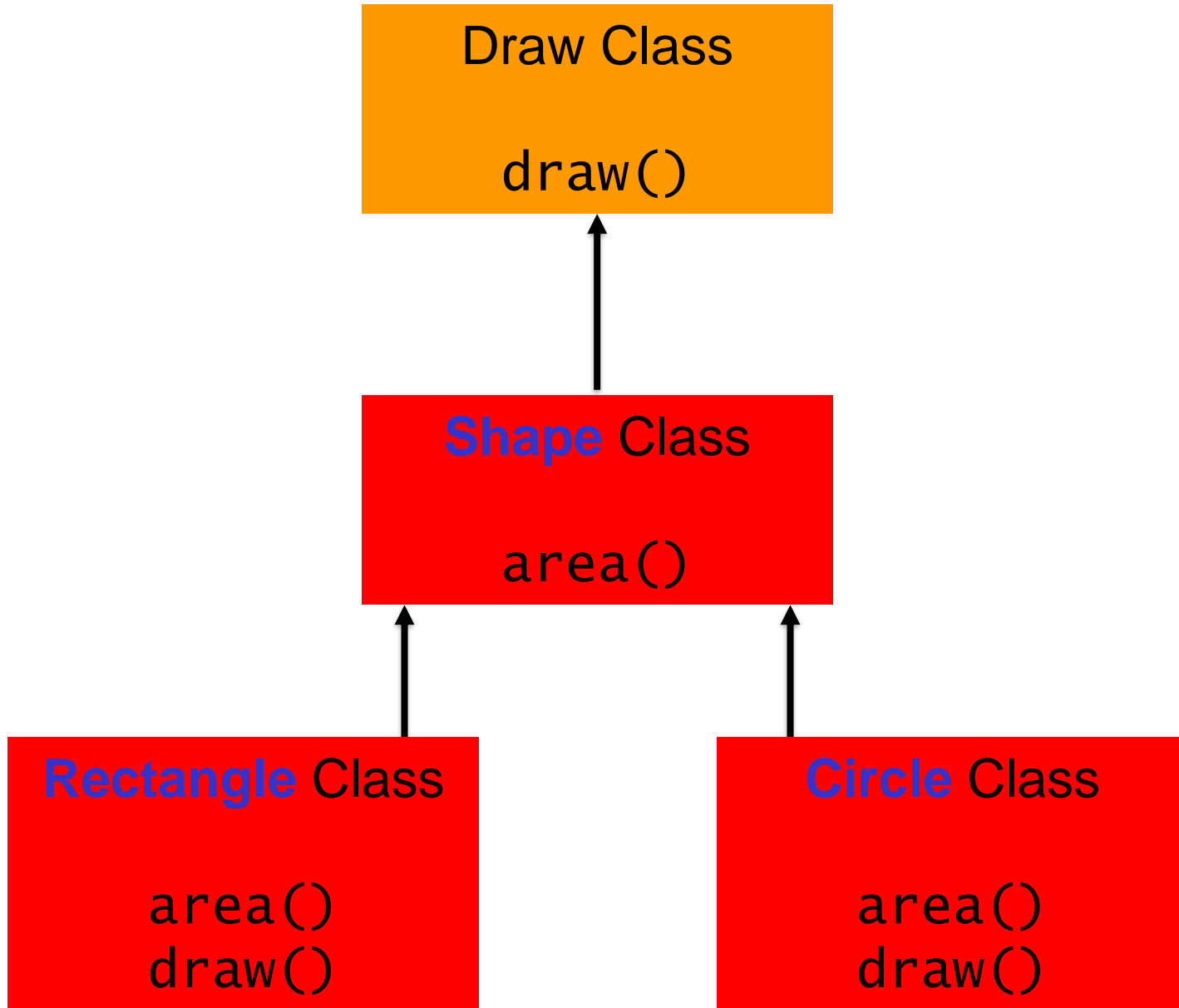


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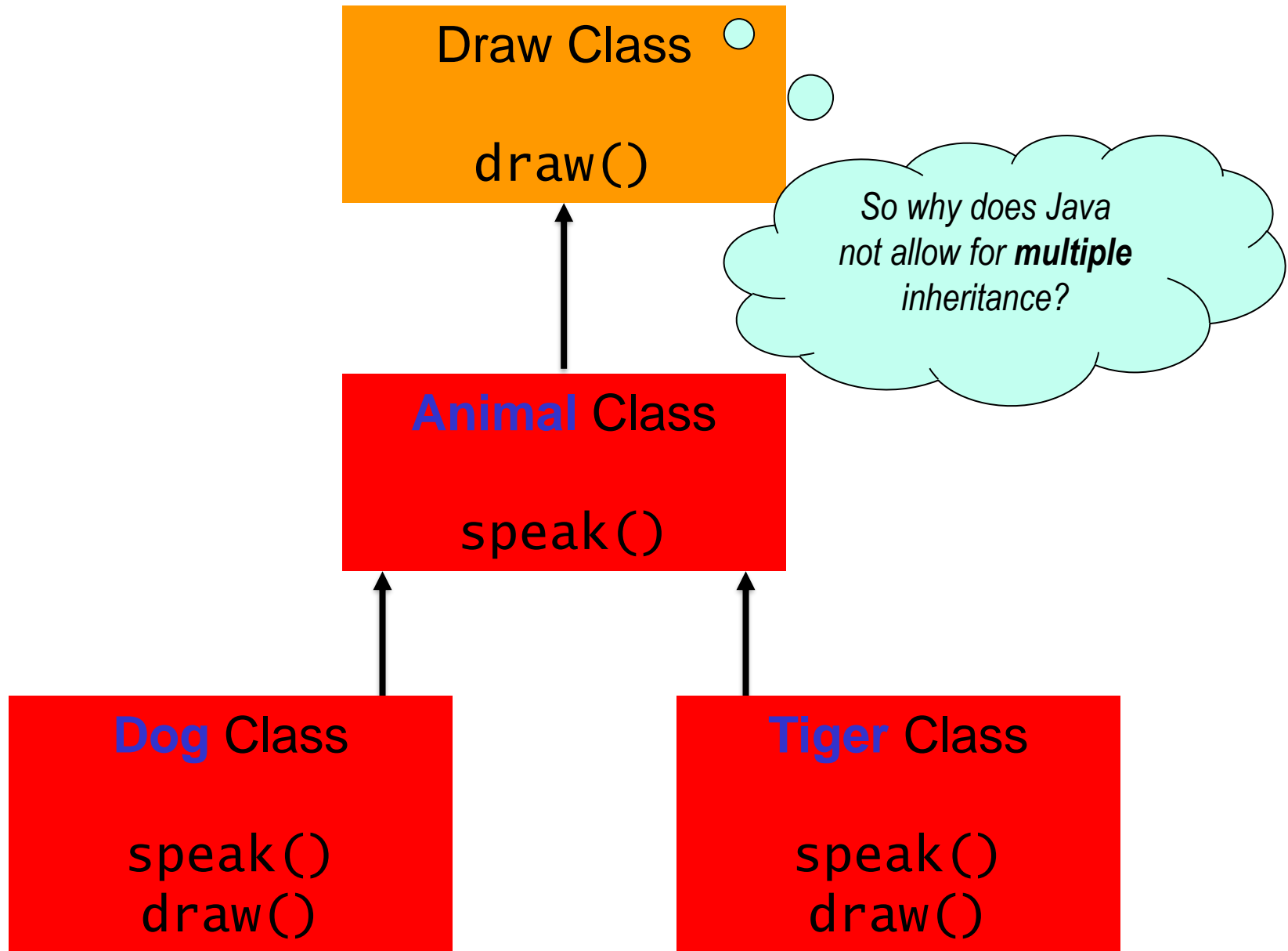
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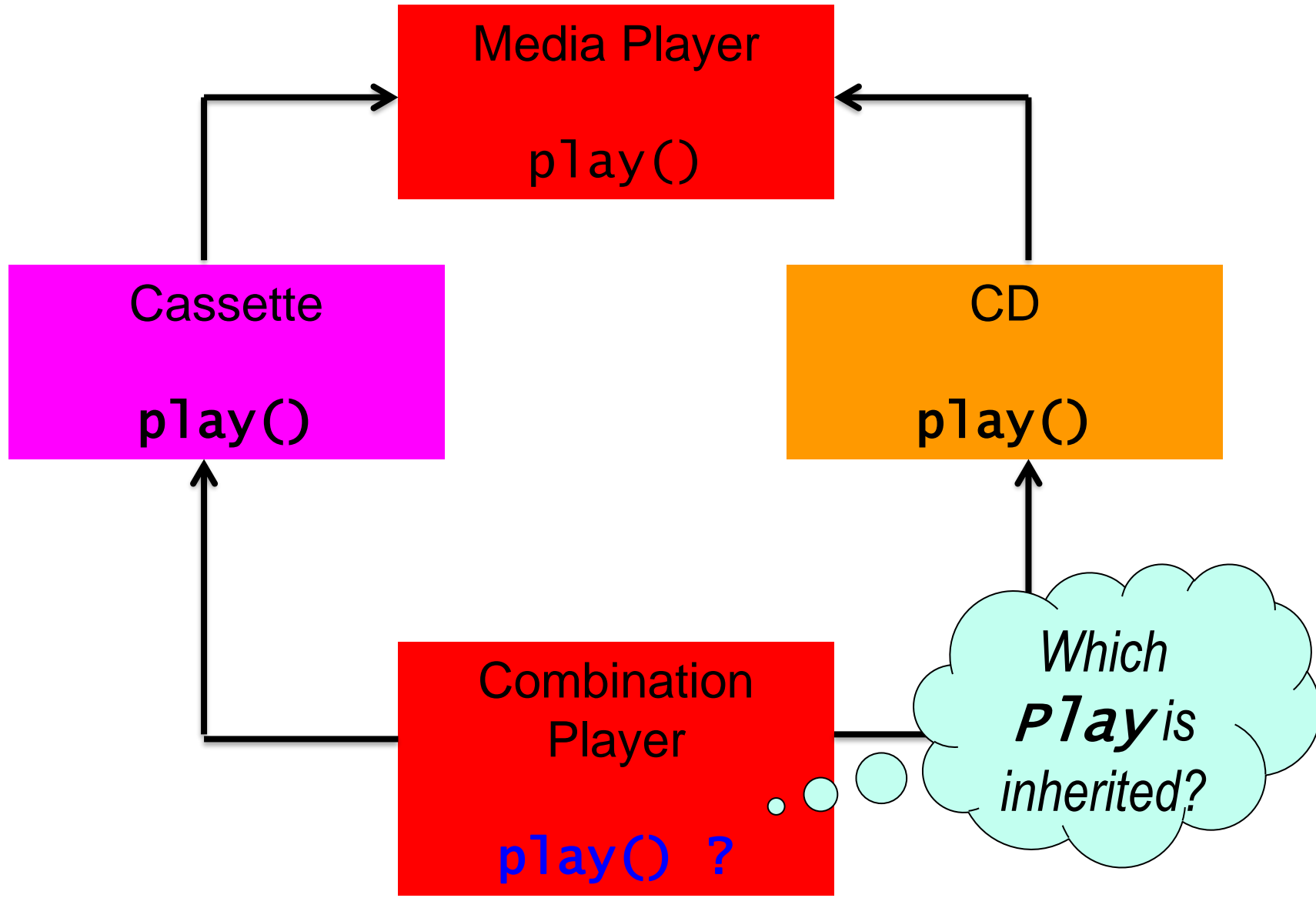


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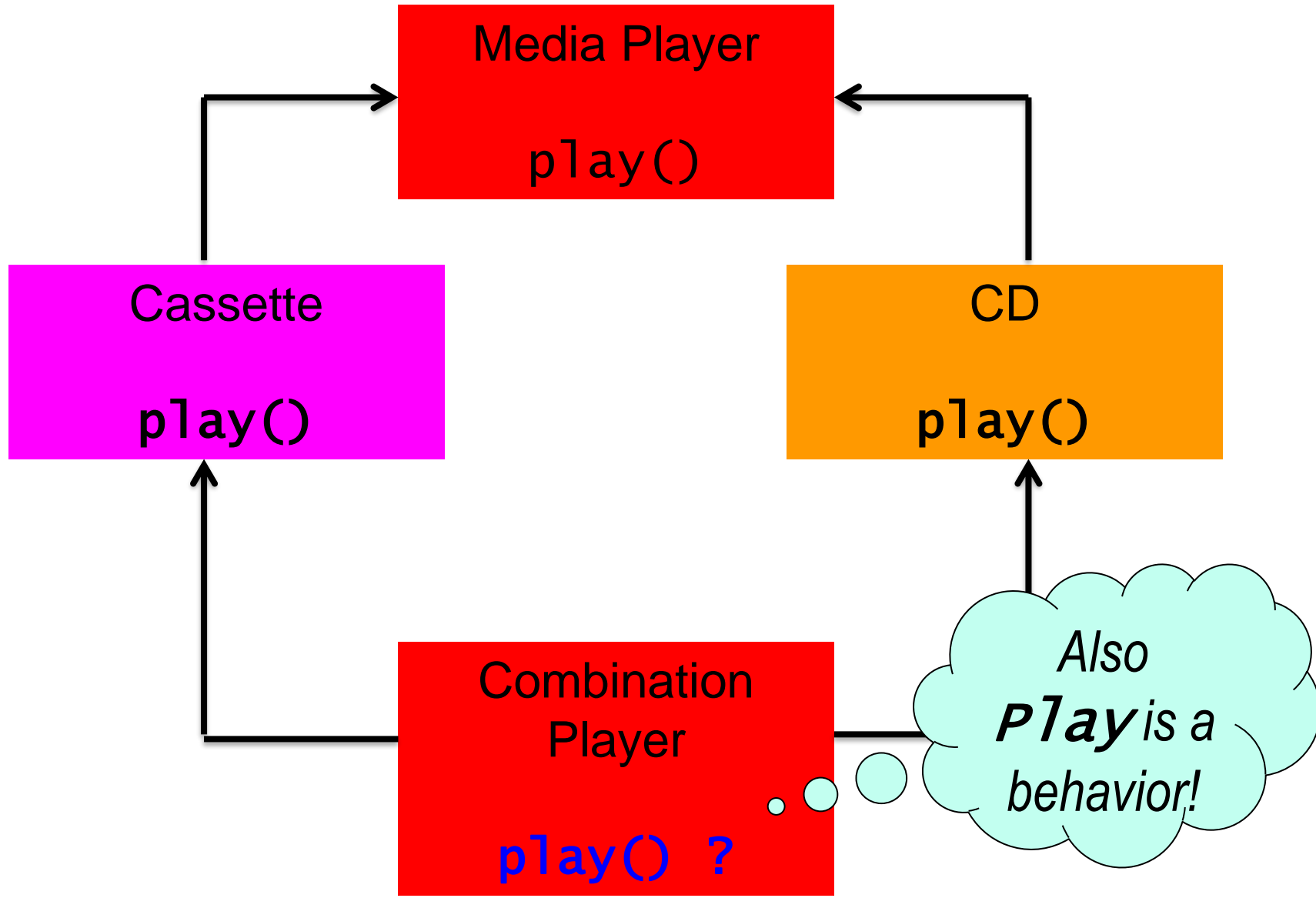
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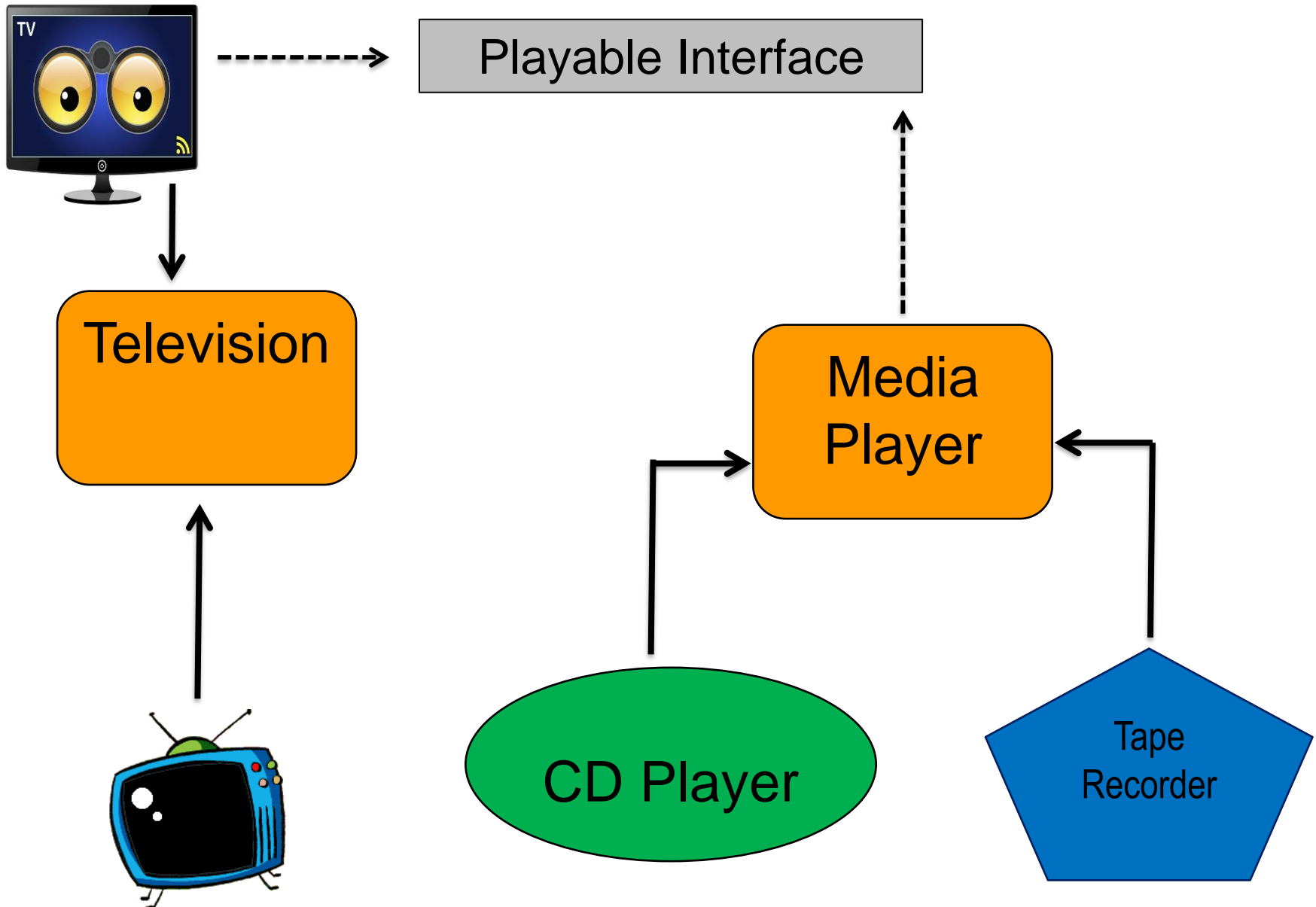
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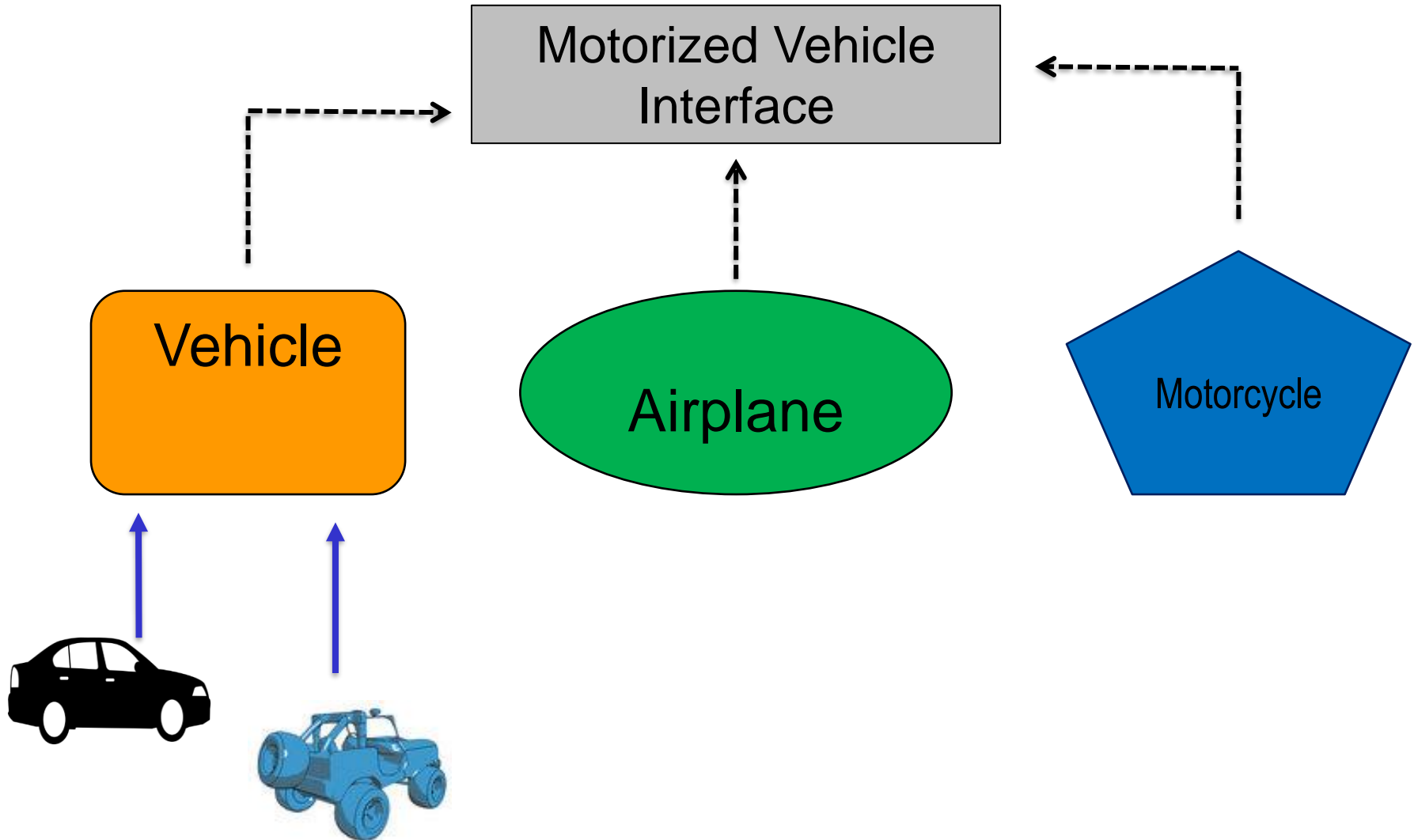
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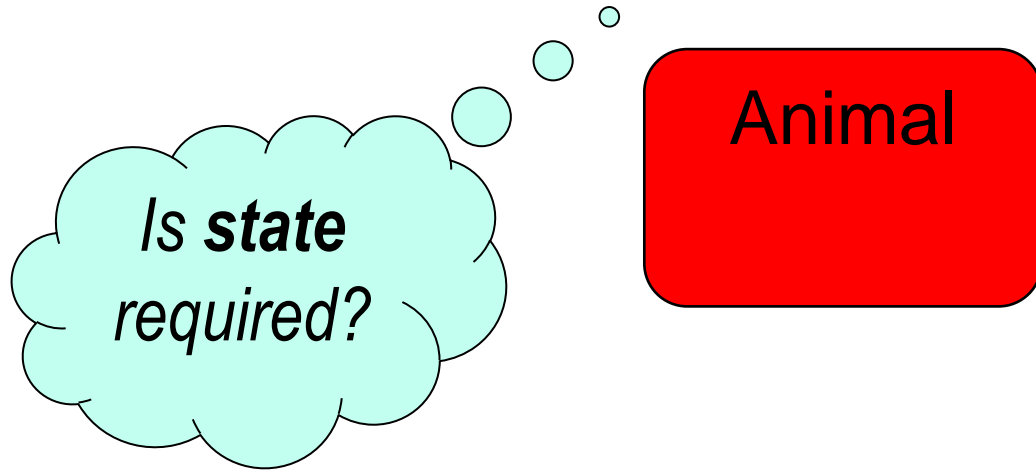
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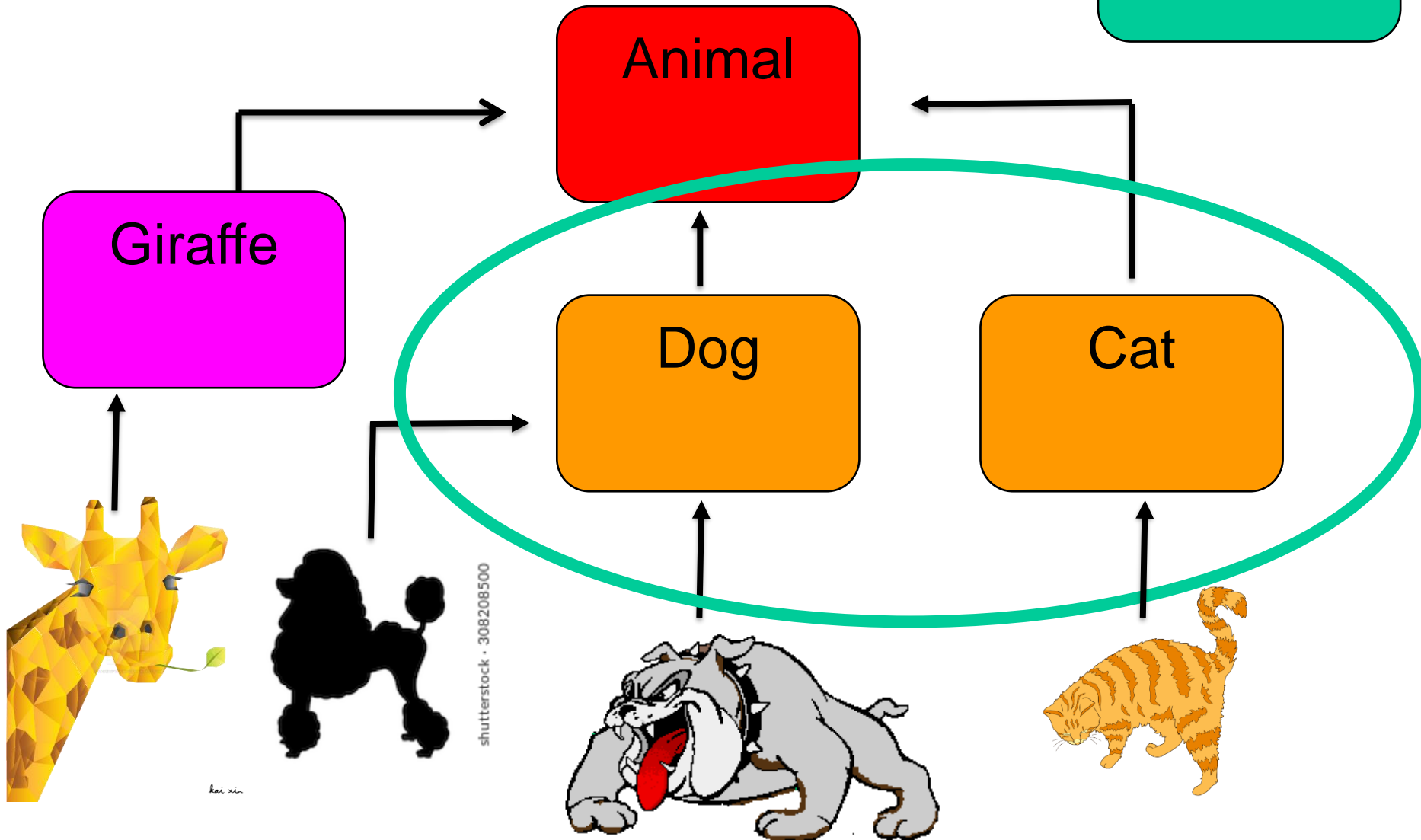


Problem with Multiple Inheritance: representing behaviors as classes



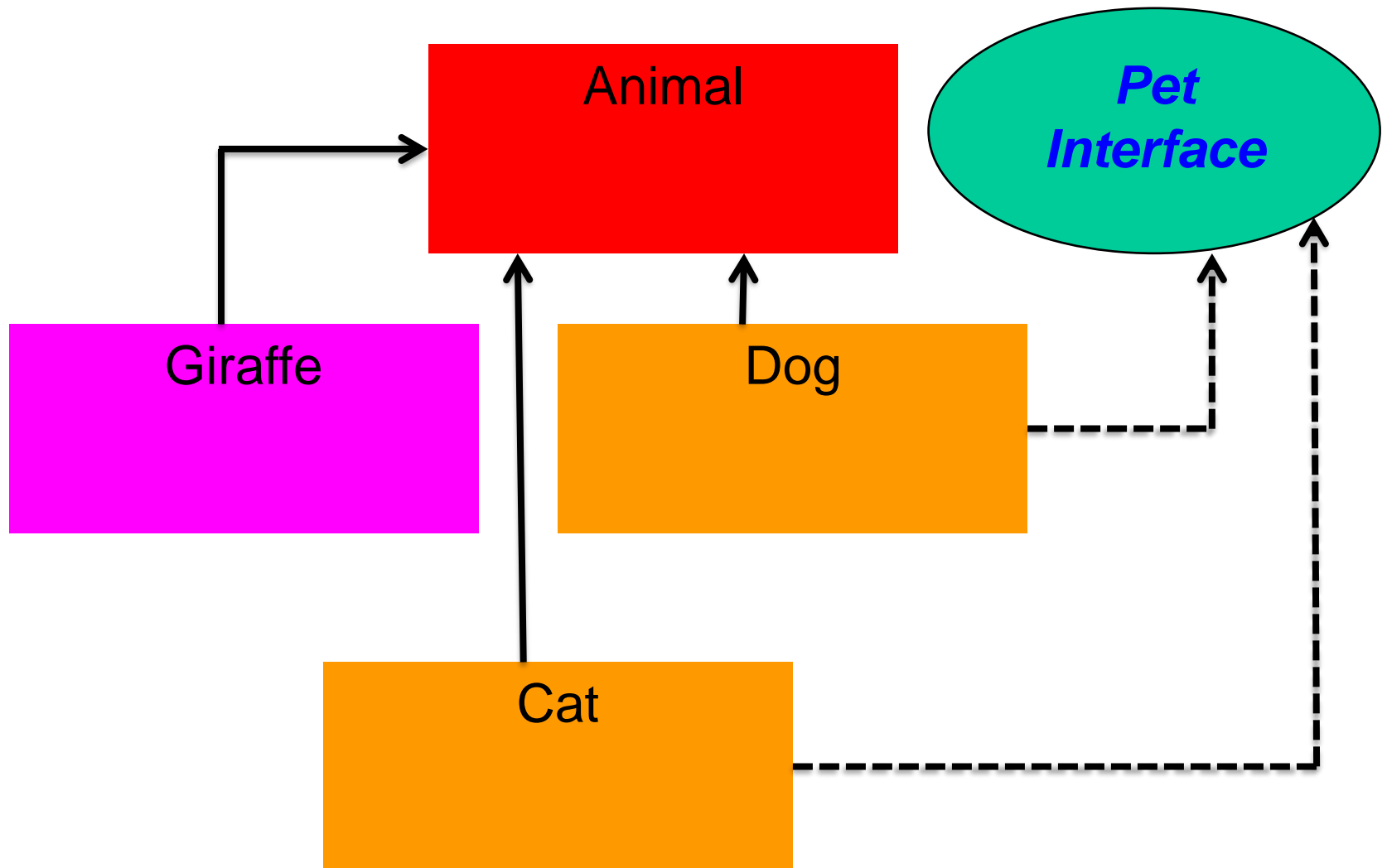
Problem with Multiple Inheritance *representing behaviors as classes*

Pets
?



Solution:

Single Inheritance with multiple interfaces

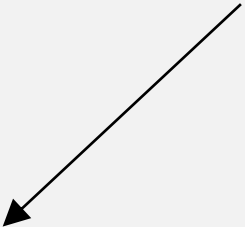


Solution:

*Single Inheritance with **multiple interfaces***

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d has all the behaviors of a **dog**!



```
Dog d = new Dog();  
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Animal d = new Dog();  
Animal c = new Cat();  
Pet d = new Dog();  
Pet c = new Cat();
```

}



Solution:

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{
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    Pet c = new Cat();
```

```
}
```

c has all the behaviors of a **cat**!

Solution:

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```
{
```

```
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Animal c = new Cat();  
Pet d = new Dog();  
Pet c = new Cat();
```

```
}
```

d and **c** have the behaviors of
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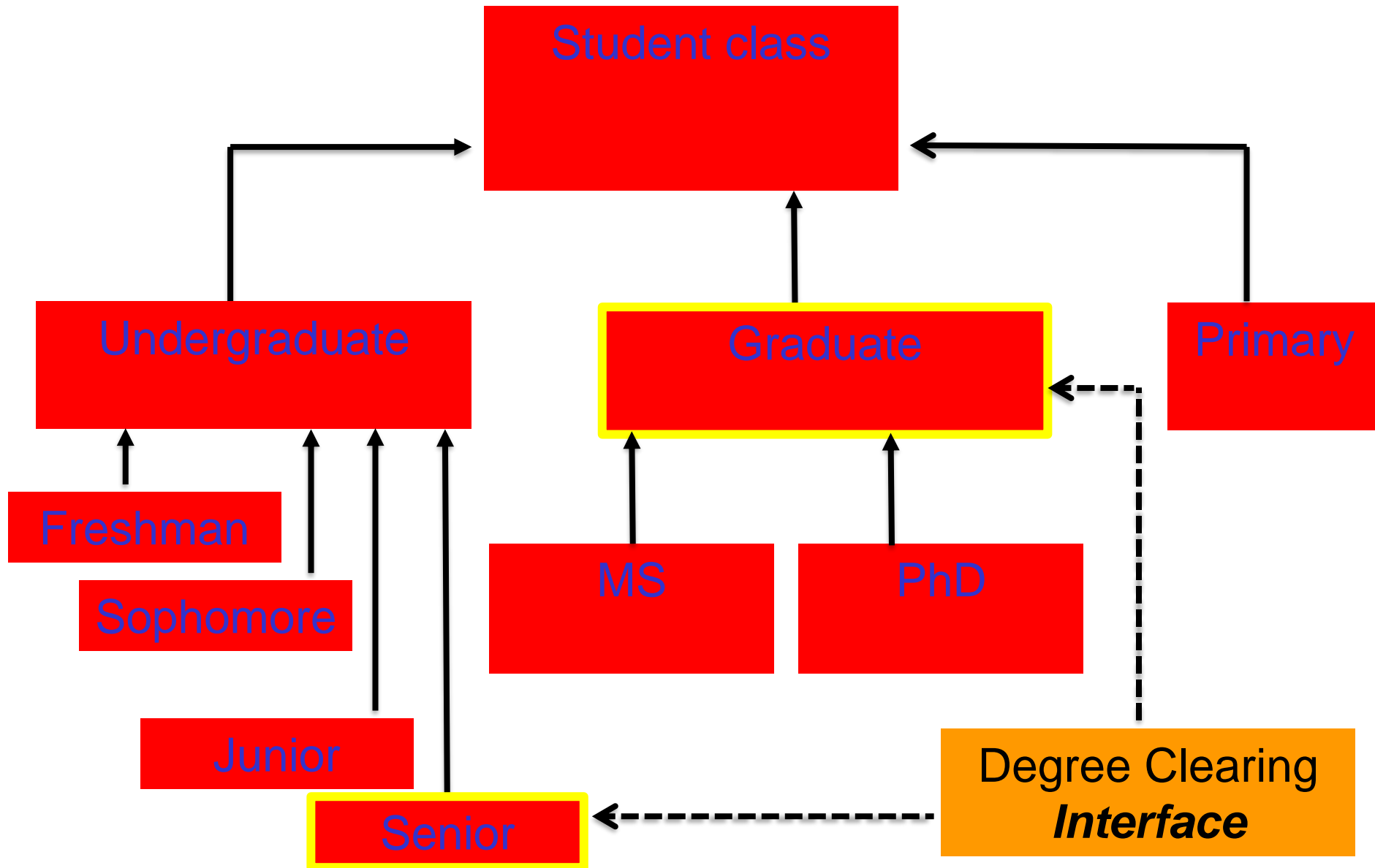
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```

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Degree clearing as an interface



Case Study

```
public class UndergraduateStudent extends Student implements degreeClearing {  
  
    private String year;  
  
    public UndergraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "UndergraduateStudent()" );  
  
        year = "NON DEGREE";  
    }  
  
    public UndergraduateStudent( String fname, char mi, String lname, String  
sid, int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa, String year ) {  
        super( fname, mi, lname, sid, bm, bd, by, gpa );  
  
        System.out.println( "UndergraduateStudent(" + fname + " .... " + sid  
+ " .... " + gpa + ")" );  
        this.year = year;  
    }  
  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
        System.out.println( "UndergraduateStudent::degreeClearing()" );  
    }  
  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + " " + year );  
    }  
}
```

Case Study

```
public class GraduateStudent extends Student implements degreeClearing, ... {  
  
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    private String specialization;      // MS specialization  
  
    public GraduateStudent() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent()" );  
        undergraduateMajor = "UNKNOWN";  
        specialization = "GENERAL";  
    }  
    public GraduateStudent( String fname, char mi, String lname, String sid,  
int bm, int bd, int by, double gpa, String um ) {  
        super( fname, mi, lname, sid, bm, bd, by, gpa );  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent( ... .. " + um + ")" );  
        this.undergraduateMajor = um;  
    }  
    public String toString() {  
        return( super.toString() + " " + undergraduateMajor + " " +  
specialization );  
    }  
    public double calculateGPA() {  
        System.out.println( "GraduateStudent::calculateGPA() " );  
        return( 5.0 );  
    }  
    public void degreeClearing() {  
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    }  
}
```

Defining a Java Interface

Interfaces are used to represent a **property** that objects of all classes which implement the interface have in common. Interfaces represent a weak “is-a” relationship.

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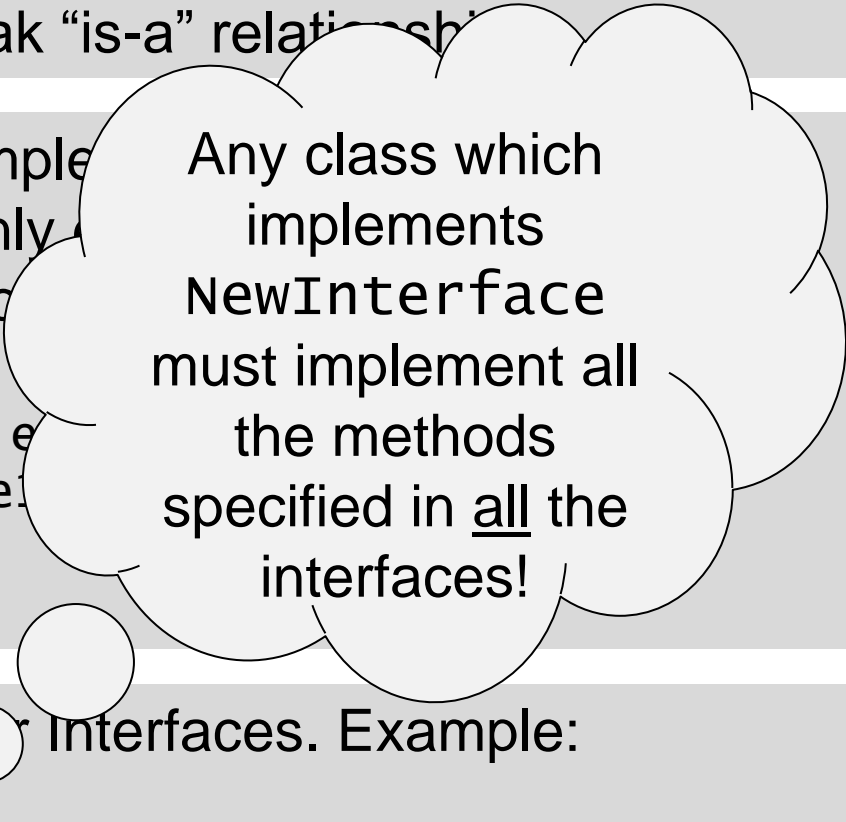
```
public interface NewInterface extends Interface1,
    Interface2, Interface3 etc. {
    ...
}
```

Defining a Java Interface

Interfaces are used to represent a **property** that objects of all classes which implement the interface have in common. Interfaces represent a weak “is-a” relationship.

Interfaces are how Java implements inheritance. A class can only implement multiple interfaces.

```
public class NewClass implements Interface1, Interface2, Interface3 {  
    ...  
}
```



Any class which implements NewInterface must implement all the methods specified in all the interfaces!

Interfaces can extend other interfaces. Example:

```
public interface NewInterface extends Interface1, Interface2, Interface3 etc. {  
    ...  
}
```

Interfaces vs. Abstract Classes

Interface is a contract. It cannot hold state. If we need state, must use a class.

Java Interfaces

- An interface can only contain:
 - constant (static) variable declarations
 - abstract method signatures
- Interfaces are implemented by classes and their purpose is to specify and enforce common behavior for all objects of classes which implement the interface.
- Well known Java interfaces include:
 - Comparable Interface
 - Cloneable Interface
 - ActionListener in Swing GUI

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```
Modifier interface InterfaceName {  
    /* constant variable declarations */  
    /* method signatures */  
}
```

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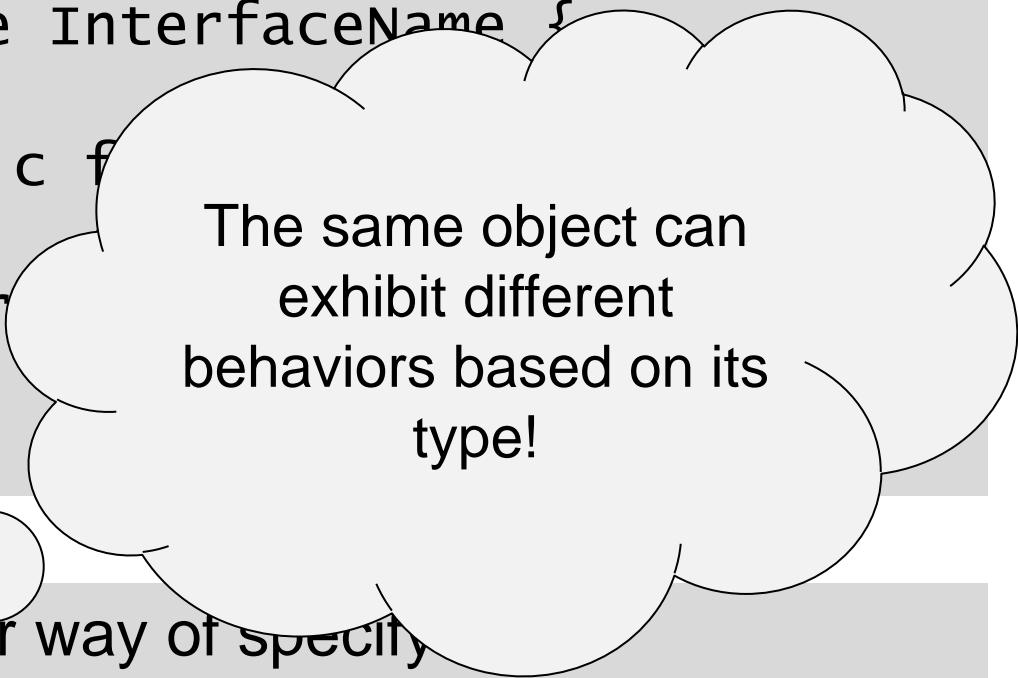
```
Modifier interface InterfaceName {  
    /* public static final assumed state */  
    /* public abstract assumed for methods */  
}
```

The interface must be defined in a Java file of the same name as the interface.

Example: InterfaceName.java

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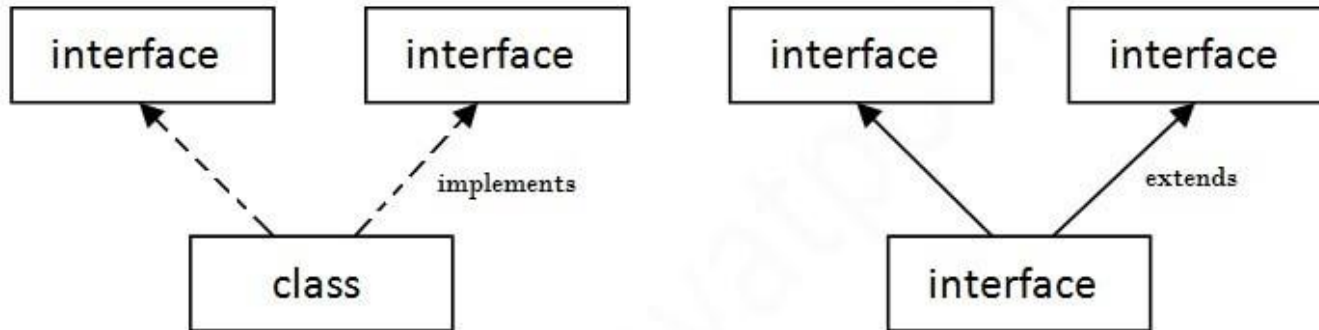
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}
```



The same object can
exhibit different
behaviors based on its
type!

An interface is another way of specifying
polymorphic behavior in Java.

Java Interfaces



Multiple Inheritance in Java

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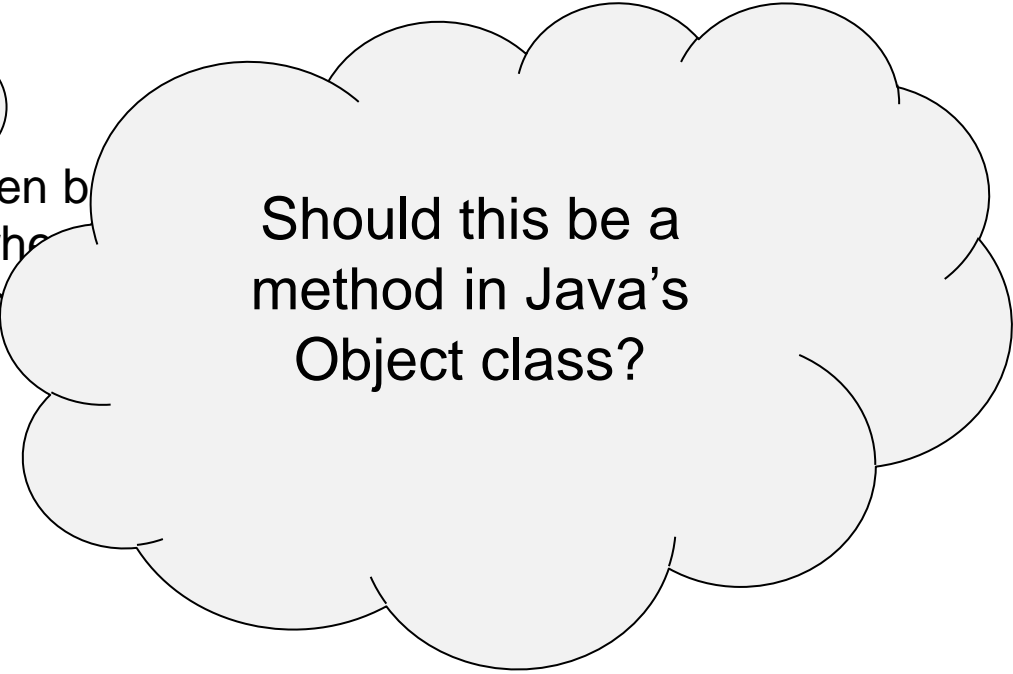
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Example:

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- chicken is best eaten whe



Should this be a method in Java's Object class?

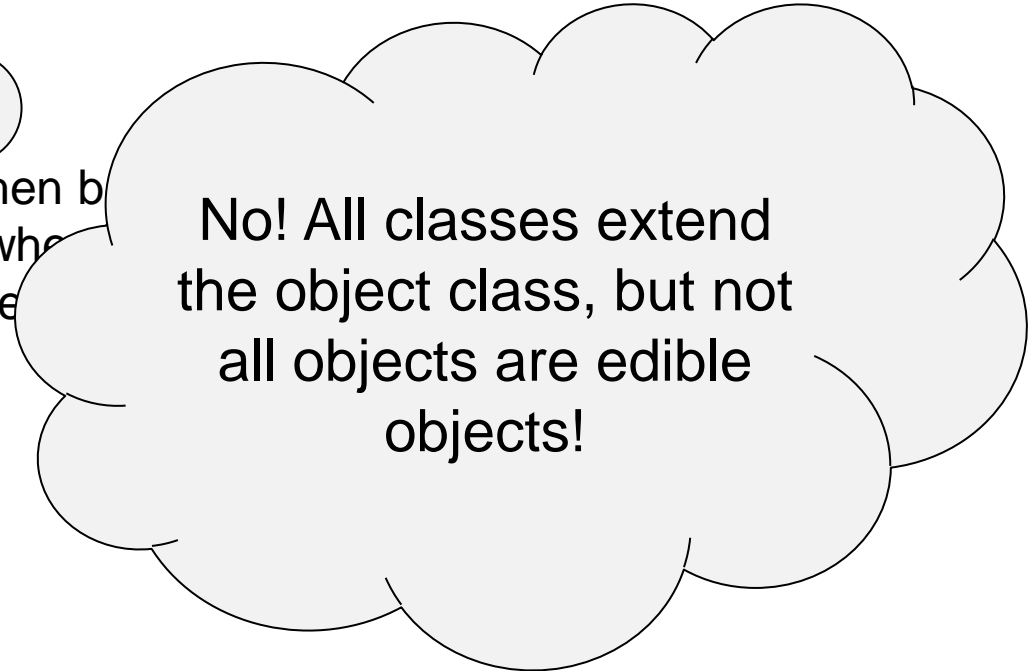
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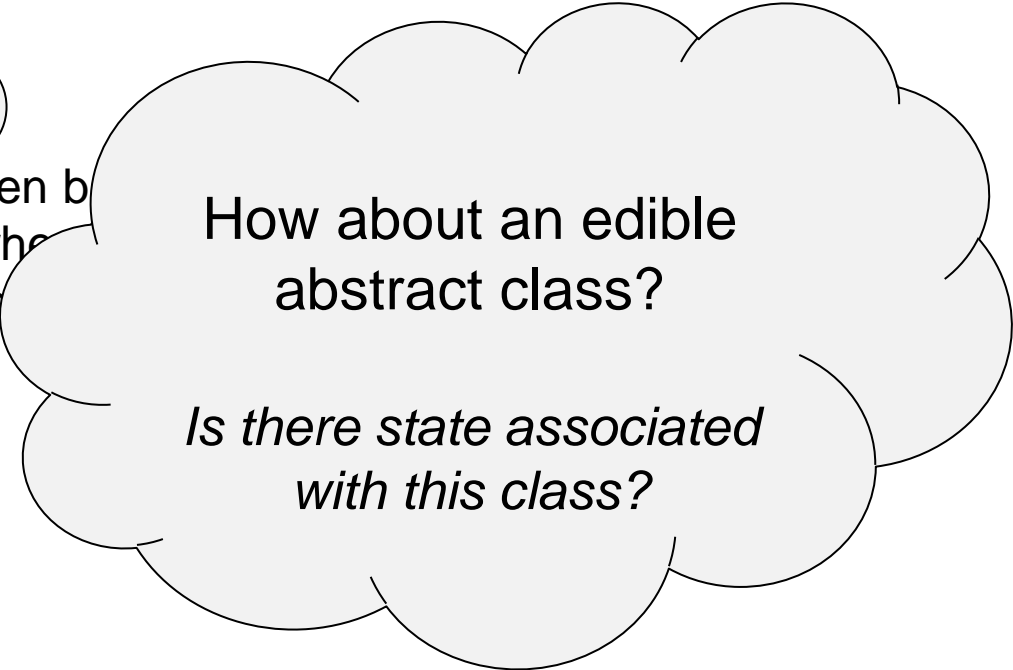
No! All classes extend the object class, but not all objects are edible objects!

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How about an edible
abstract class?

*Is there state associated
with this class?*

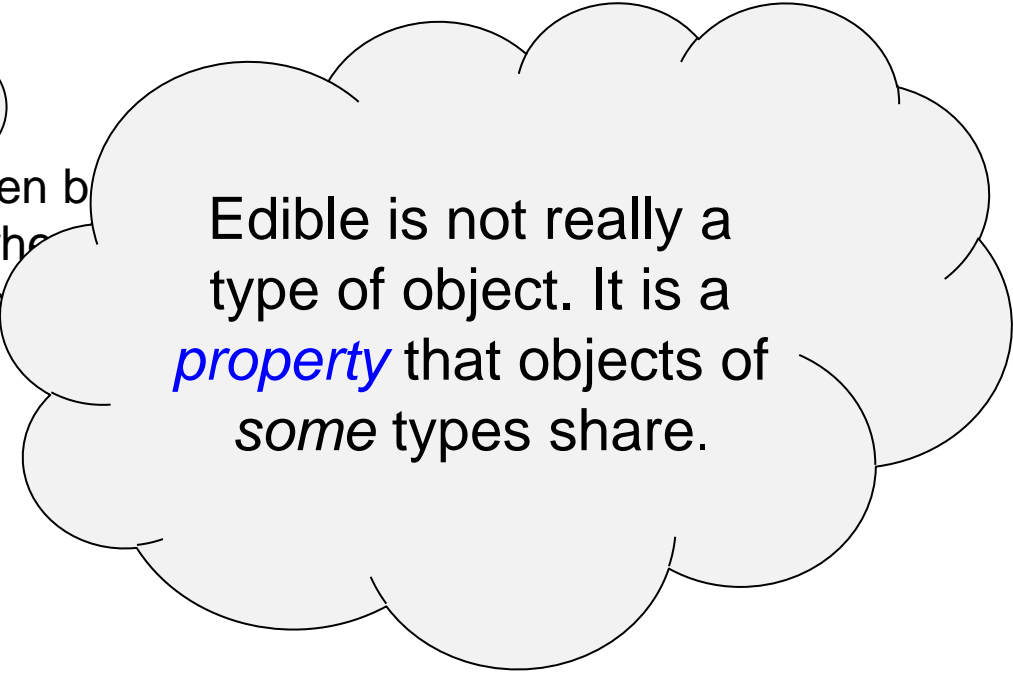
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Edible is not really a type of object. It is a *property* that objects of some types share.

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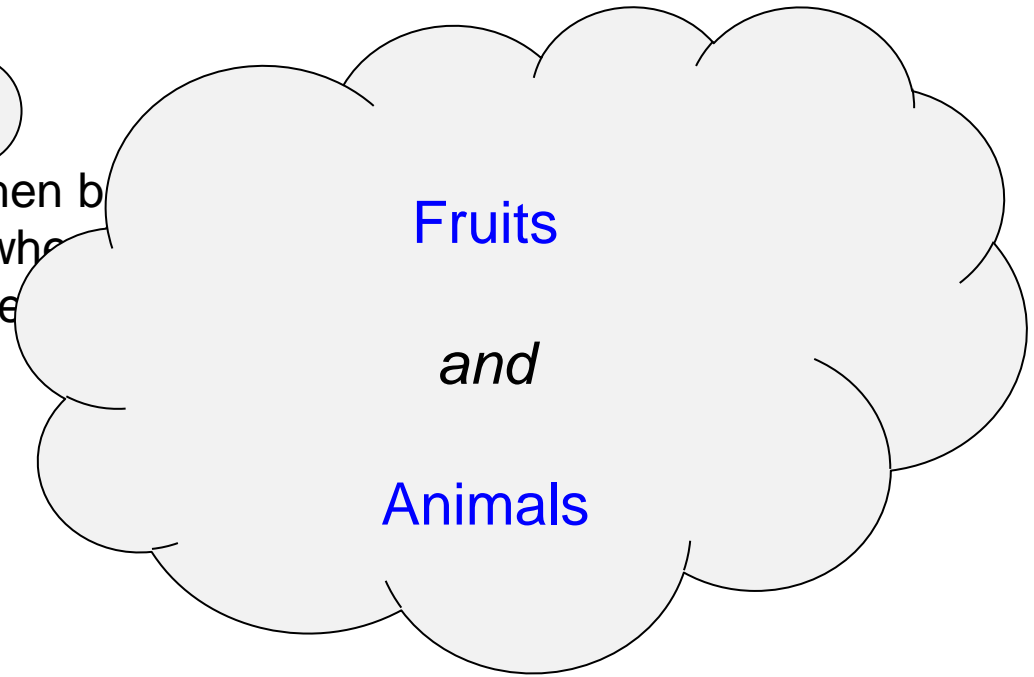
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Fruits

and

Animals



The *edible* interface

```
public interface Edible {  
    /* method that describes how  
     * the object is eaten.  
     */  
    public abstract String howToEat();  
}
```

```
public class Fruit  
    implements Edible {  
  
    /* Common data attributes */  
  
    /* Constructors */  
  
    /* Methods */  
  
    /* must include the method  
     howToEat even as an  
     abstract method */  
  
}
```

The edible

```
public interface Edible {  
    /* method that  
     * the object  
     */  
    public abstract  
}
```

As the interface is implemented in the superclass, all subclasses must provide the implementation!

```
public abstract class Fruit  
    implements Edible {  
  
    /* Common data attributes */  
  
    /* Constructors */  
  
    /* Methods */  
  
}
```

```
public class Apple  
    extends Fruit {  
    /* must provide an  
     * implementation of  
     * howToEat  
     */  
}
```

```
public class Orange  
    extends Fruit {  
    /* must provide an  
     * implementation of  
     * howToEat  
     */  
}
```

The *edible* interface

```
public interface Edible {  
    /* method that describes how  
     * the object is eaten.  
     */  
    public abstract String howToEat();  
}
```

```
public abstract class Animal  
    implements Edible {  
  
    /* Common data attributes */  
  
    /* Constructors */  
  
    /* Methods */  
  
}
```

```
public class Chicken  
    extends Animal {  
    /* must provide an  
     * implementation of  
     * howToEat  
     */  
}
```

```
public class Tiger  
    extends Animal {  
    /* provide an  
     * implementation of  
     * howToEat ???  
     */  
}
```


The *edible* interface

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public interface Edible {  
    /* method that describes how  
     * the object is eaten.  
     */  
    public abstract String howToEat();  
}
```

```
public abstract class Animal {  
  
    /* Common data attributes */  
  
    /* Constructors */  
  
    /* Methods */  
  
}
```

```
public class Chicken  
    extends Animal  
    implements Edible {  
    /* must provide an  
     * implementation of  
     * howToEat  
     */  
    ~  
    public class Tiger  
        extends Animal {  
        /* no implementation is  
         * required.  
         */  
        ~  
    }  
}
```

The *Pet* interface

```
public interface Pet {  
    /* method that describes how  
     * the is cared for.  
     */  
    public abstract String howToCare();  
}
```

```
public abstract class Animal {  
  
    /* Common data attributes */  
  
    /* Constructors */  
  
    /* Methods */  
  
}
```

```
public class Rabbit  
    extends Animal  
    implements Pet {  
    /* must provide an  
     * implementation of  
     * howToCare  
     */  
}
```

The *Pet* interface

```
public interface Pet {
    /* method that describes how
     * the is cared for.
     *
     * p
     }
    wT
```

```
wToCare();
```

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```
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```

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```
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```

```
class Rabbit
    extends Animal
    implements Pet {
        must provide an
        implementation of
        howToCare
    }
```



}

The *Pet* interface

```
public interface
```

```
/*
```

Can only **extend**
one class but can
implement multiple
interfaces!

```
/*
```

```
howToCare();
```

```
}
```

```
public abstract class Animal {
```

```
/* Common data attributes */
```

```
/* Constructors */
```

```
/* Methods */
```

```
}
```

```
public class Rabbit
```

```
extends Animal
```

```
implements Pet, Edible {
```

```
/* must provide an  
implementation of  
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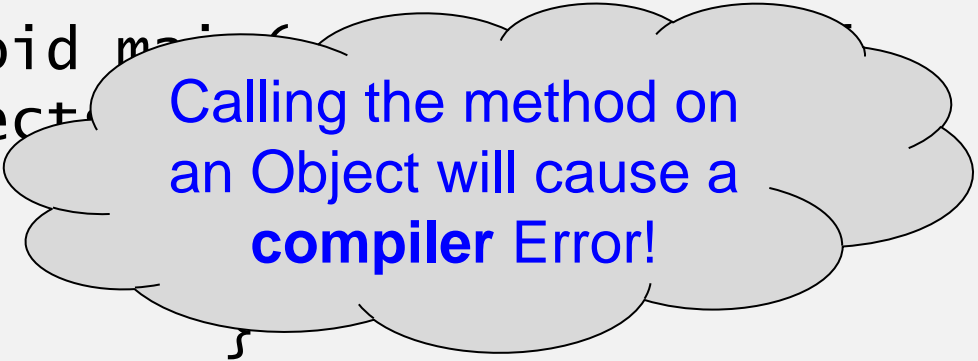
The *edible* interface

```
public class TestEdible {  
  
    public static void main( String [] a ) {  
        Object[] objects = { new Tiger(),  
                               new Chicken(),  
                               new Apple();  
        }  
  
        for (int i = 0; i < objects.length i++ ) {  
            // call the hotToEat method on each  
            System.out.println( objects[i].howToEat() );  
        }  
  
    } // main()  
  
} // TestEdible
```

The *edible* interface

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public class TestEdible {
```

```
    public static void main(
        Object[] objects
```



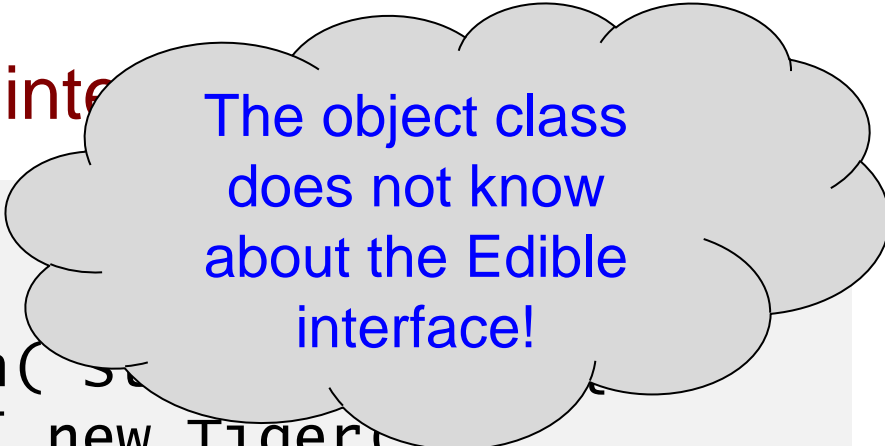
Calling the method on
an Object will cause a
compiler Error!

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```
    } // main()
```

```
} // TestEdible
```

The *edible* interface



The object class
does not know
about the Edible
interface!

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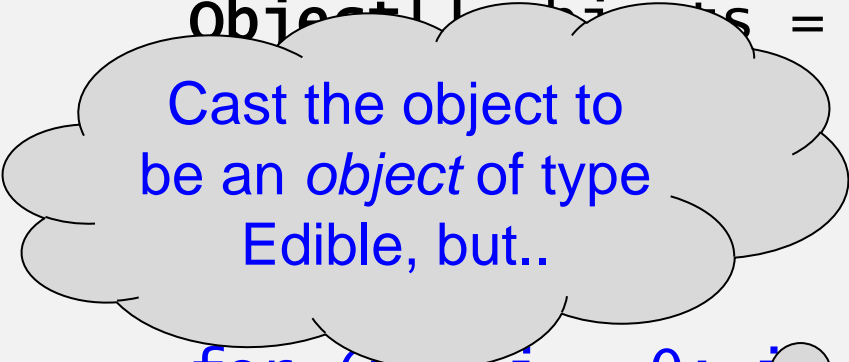
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```

```
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```

The method
howToEat was not
inherited from the
Object class.

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    }  
  
    for (int i = 0; i < objects.length i++ ) {  
        // call the hotToEat method  
        System.out.println(((Edible) o[i]).howToEat());  
    }  
  
    } // main()  
  
} // TestEdible
```



Cast the object to be an *object* of type Edible, but..

The *edible* interface

```
public class TestEdible {
```

```
    public static void main
```

```
        Object[] objects =
```

```
    }
```

```
        for (int i = 0; i < objects.length i++ ) {  
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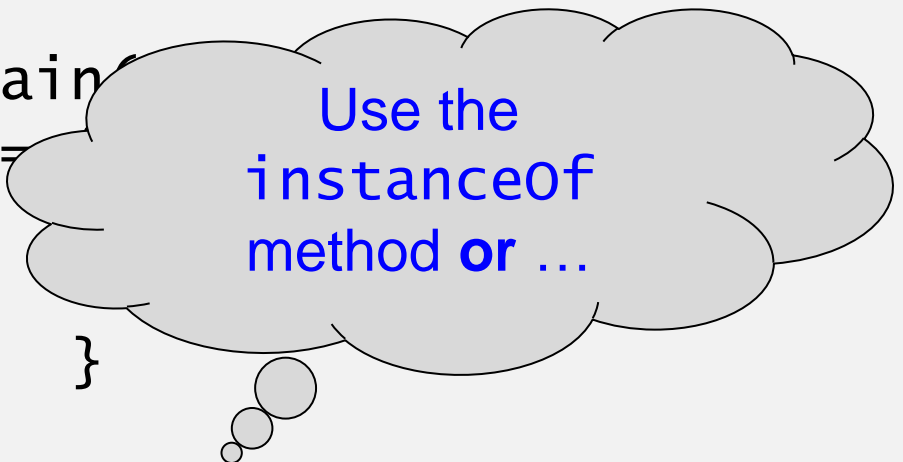
```
    } // main()
```

```
} // TestEdible
```

... now a run time
error because Tiger is
not an Edible object!

The *edible* interface

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    public static void main(  
        Object[] objects =  
    }  
}
```



Use the
instanceOf
method or ...

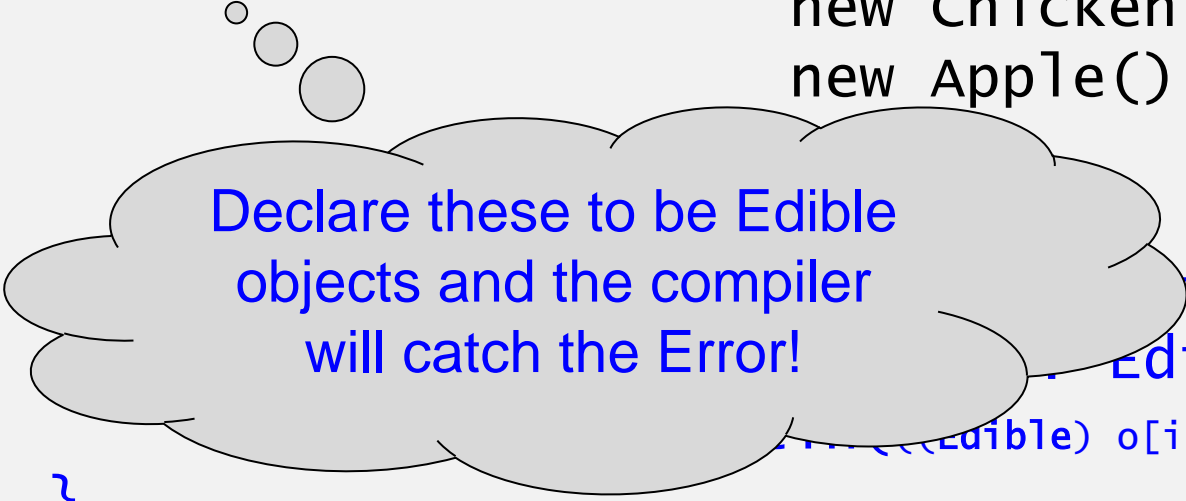
```
    for (int i = 0; i < objects.length i++ ) {  
        if ( objects[i] instanceof Edible )  
            System.out.println(((Edible) o[i]).howToEat());  
    }
```

```
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            objects[i].howToEat();  
        }  
    }  
}  
  
} // main()  
  
} // TestEdible
```



Declare these to be Edible
objects and the compiler
will catch the Error!