# OBJECT ORIENTED PROGRAMMING USING JAVA Workshop Instructions

# 3 – Inheritance and Arrays



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## **USING INHERITANCE**

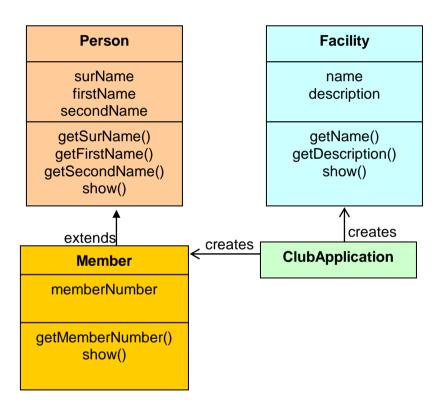
### **Objectives**

The objective of this workshop is to practice inheritance, overriding and the use of arrays.

#### **Exercise**

1) Open the Java Project ClubManager that you created in your Eclipse workspace during previous Java workshop. Use the files as a starting point for this exercise.

#### Create and use the Member class



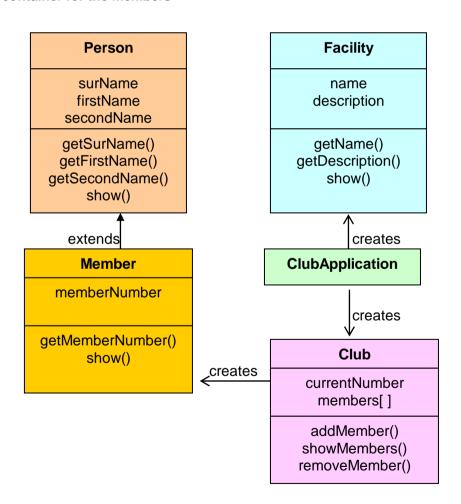
- 2) Derive a new class Member from class Person by means of inheritance. This class will add a *membership number* attribute (an integer). In other words, a member is a person with a membership number.
- 3) Write a constructor for this class. This method should accept an initialisation value for the membership number as well as those for the name. Make sure this constructor uses the Person constructor appropriately.
- 4) Include in class **Member**, a **getMemberNumber()** method which returns the membership number.
  - Tips: Eclipse's Source > Generate Getters and Setters... is convenient.



- 5) All classes in Java inherit the method toString() from the Object class.

  Override the toString() method in the Person class, so that it will return the full name of the person. Modify the show() method of the Person class, so that simply uses toString().
- 6) In the Member class, override the toString() method so that, besides the full name, it attaches the membership number. The method should invoke the toString() method of the Person class.
- 7) Test the Member class: modify the ClubApplication class so that the test objects you create are of type Member and not Person. Modify their instantiation calls appropriately. Test these objects just as you did before, by calling their show () method.
- 8) For consistency, provide the toString() method in the Facility class too, modifying the show() method as appropriate.

#### Build a container for the members



9) Create a new class Club. This class's task is to keep track of membership records; first of all, it will assign unique incremental membership numbers.

Provide the class Club with a private attribute that contains the variable used to



assign membership numbers.

Add to class Club an array of Member objects. Make this attribute private.

10) Add a method called addMember().

This feature will accept a person's details (surname, first and second name) and create a **Member** instance. It will automatically determine and assign a membership number. Members are given membership numbers in the sequence 1, 2, 3, 4... Place it in the array, at the location corresponding to the membership number. This method should then return the newly created **Member** instance.

- 11) Use and test the Club class. Modify the ClubApplication class so that it creates an instance of the Club class, and instead of creating members directly, do so by using the addMember() method. Use the show() method of Member to show that the right membership numbers were assigned.
- 12) Add a **showMembers()** method to class **Club**. It should display a list with each member of the club on a separate line. Make this routine very simple, by using the **Member** class methods.
- 13) Modify class ClubApplication so it exercises the modified Club class.

  Create the Club instance, and add a few members to it by using addMember().

  Use showMembers() to verify things are working.

#### **Remove Members from the Club class**

- 14) Add a removeMember () method to class Club.
  - Write **removeMember()** so that a member can be removed by passing its membership number as a parameter.
  - Make sure all other methods (such as **showMembers()**) can cope when some members have been removed from the array.
- 15) Test the removeMember() method by changing ClubApplication so that it creates a few members, and deletes one of them; after deleting that member, use showMembers() to verify that it did work.

