

OO Programming Languages

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OO in Java

- **Abstract** class defines shared implementation
- Methods declared Abstract **MUST** be implemented by subclasses
- **Interface** can only define method signatures (names, parameters, output) and no implementation
- Classes can *Extend* other classes and *Implement* interfaces
- By default, all class methods can be overridden (extended/implemented) in the subclasses

```
//abstract class declaration
public abstract class Account
{
    private int mAccountNumber;
    //constructor
    public Account(int accountNumber)
    {
        mAccountNumber = accountNumber;
    }
    // abstract method declaration
    public abstract void credit(Amount amount);
}

//interface declaration
public interface IVerifiable
{
    //declaring the interface method
    public boolean isVerified();
}

//PayPal derives from Account and realises IVerifiable
public class PayPalAccount extends Account implements IVerifiable
{
    //constructor, calls the superclass
    public PayPalAccount(int accountNumber)
    {
        super(accountNumber);
    }
    //implementation of the abstract method
    public void credit(Amount amount)
    {
        //send money to PayPal
    }
    //implementation of the interface method
    public boolean isVerified()
    {
        //do check and return result
    }
}
```

OO in C#

- Very similar to Java syntax and concepts, but also some differences
- Any non-abstract class methods have to be explicitly declared virtual so can be overridden (extended/implemented) in the subclasses
- C# vs Java comparison:
 - <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms836794.aspx>

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//abstract class declaration
public abstract class Account
{
    private int mAccountNumber;
    //constructor
    public Account(int accountNumber)
    {
        mAccountNumber = accountNumber;
    }
    // abstract method declaration
    public abstract void credit(Amount amount);
}

//interface declaration
public interface IVerifiable
{
    //declaring the interface method
    public boolean isVerified();
}

//PayPal derives from Account and realises IVerifiable
public class PayPalAccount extends Account, implements IVerifiable
{
    //constructor, calls the superclass
    public PayPalAccount(int accountNumber) : base(accountNumber)
    {
        super(accountNumber);
    }
    //implementation of the abstract method
    public void credit(Amount amount)
    {
        //send money to PayPal
    }
    //implementation of the interface method
    public boolean isVerified()
    {
        //do check and return result
    }
}
```

OO in C++

- Methods need to be declared virtual to be extended (as in C#)
- Pure virtual methods (ending declarations with “=0”) are equivalent to abstract methods in Java
- No dedicated concept of Interfaces, but same effect is achieved by defining a class that contains pure virtual methods only
- C++ and Java differences
 - <http://www.cprogramming.com/tutorial/java/syntax-differences-java-c++.html>

```
//class declaration
class Account
{
    //declaring all publicly accessible methods/attributes
    public:
    //constructor
    Account(int accountNumber)
    {
        mAccountNumber = accountNumber;
    }
    // abstract method declaration
    virtual void credit(Amount amount) = 0;

    private:
        int mAccountNumber;
};

//interface (equivalent) declaration
class IVerifiable
{
    //pure virtual (abstract) method declaration
    public:
    virtual bool isVerified() = 0;
}

//PayPal derives from Account and IVerifiable
public class PayPalAccount : public Account, public IVerifiable
{
    public:
    //constructor, calls the superclass
    PayPalAccount(int accountNumber):Account(accountNumber)
    {
    }
    //declaring the implementation
    virtual void credit(Amount amount);

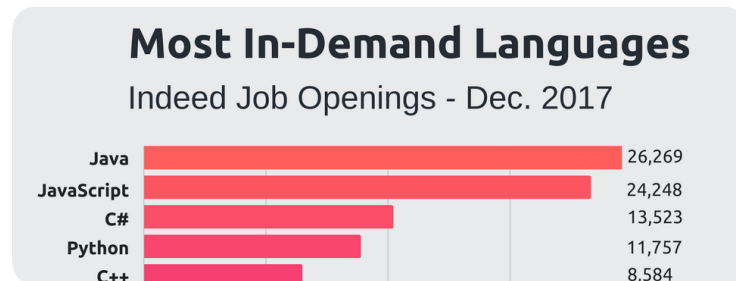
    //declaring the implementation
    virtual bool isVerified();
}
```

Summary

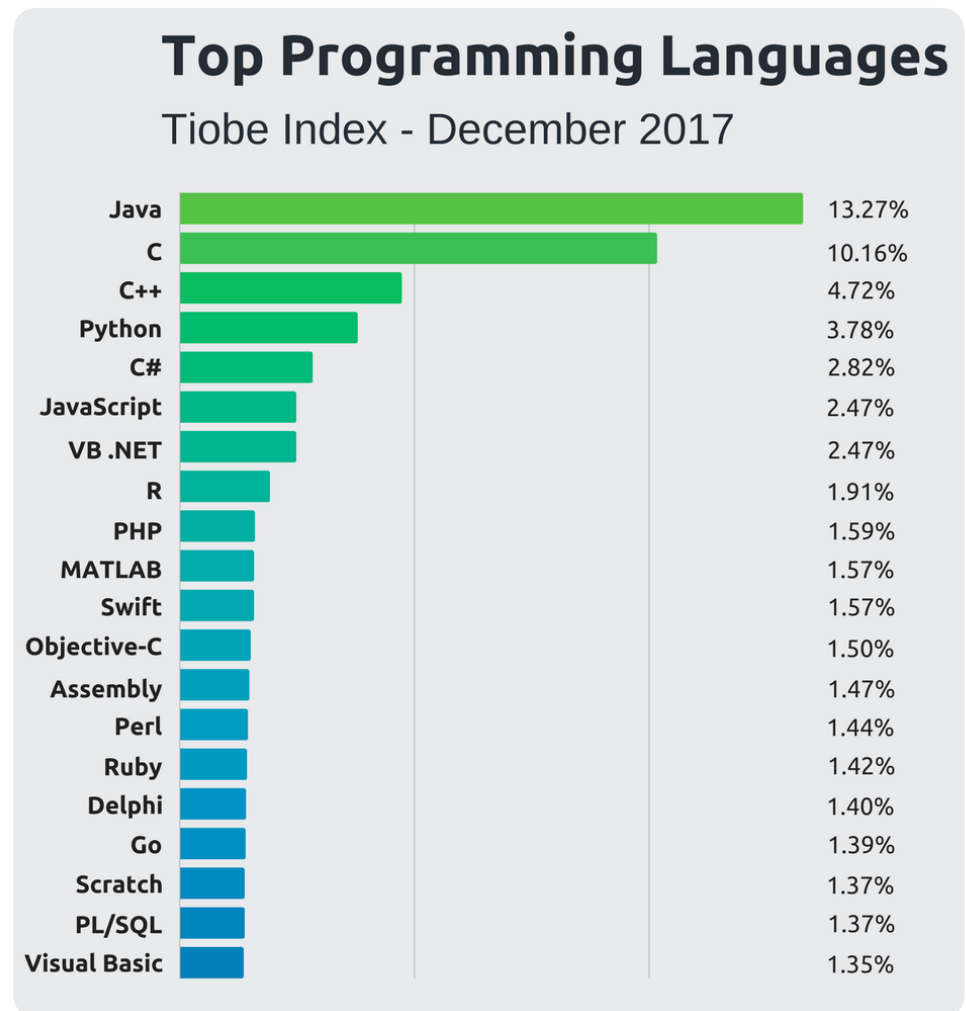
- Most modern languages incorporate some OO concepts
- Generally, those concepts are consistent across languages, however always worth checking
 - it may look like a Duck, walk like a Duck but doesn't quack like one :)
- Using OO features is the tool to get the job done, not the goal in itself
 - it's equally possible to write non-OO code in a very OO feature rich language and to write OO code in a less OO supportive one
- And one more thing...

No Code Wars!

- Debating comparative advantages and disadvantages of programming languages makes a good (if often heated) conversation, but in reality the choice of the language is often dictated by the application!
- For example, in mobile application development:
 - Android: Java
 - iPhone: Swift/Objective-C
 - Windows Phone (RIP): C#
 - Symbian (RIP): C++
- Being proficient in a range of languages helps



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