

CPE207 Object Oriented Programming

Week 9

OOP Concepts: Inheritance



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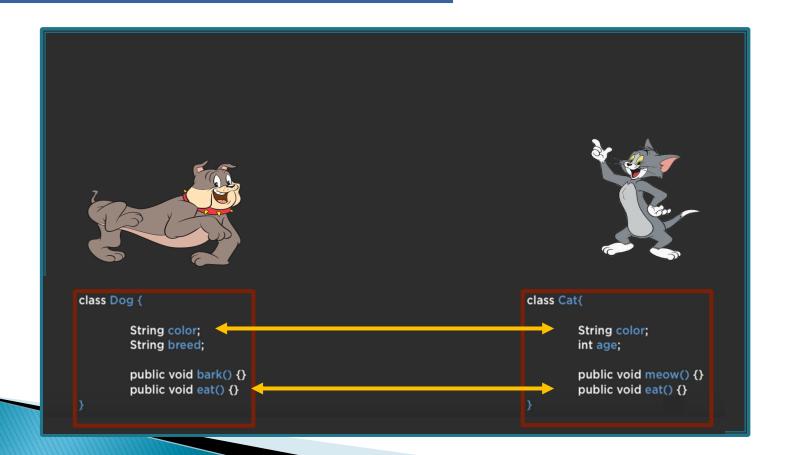
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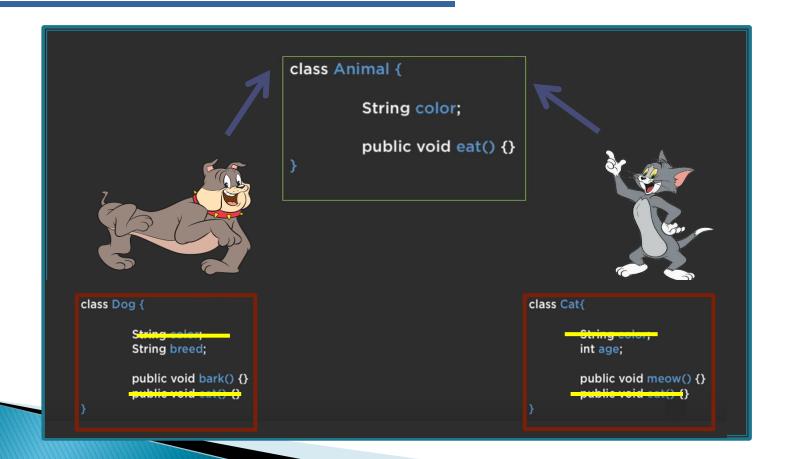
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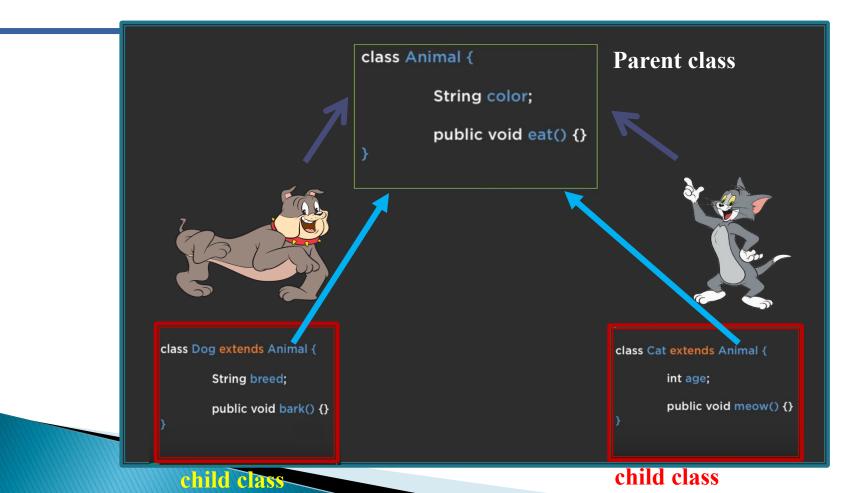
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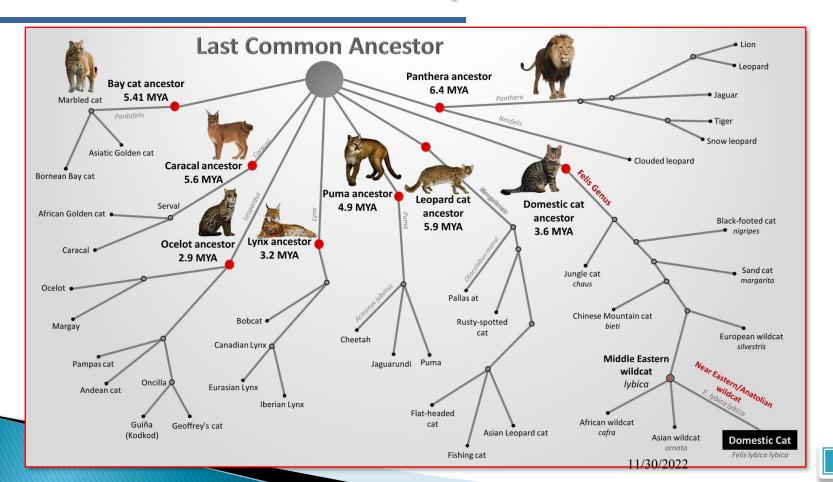


Inheritance terms

- superclass, base class, parent class: terms to describe the parent in the relationship, which shares its functionality
- subclass, derived class, child class: terms to describe the child in the relationship, which accepts functionality from its parent
- extend, inherit, derive: become a subclass of another class

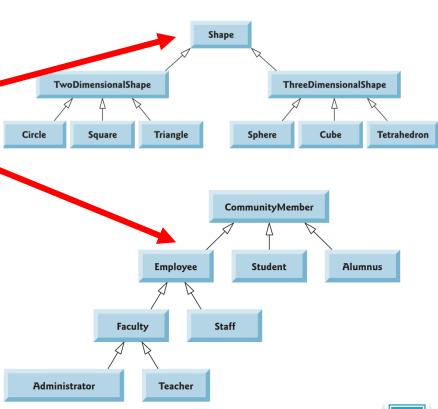
```
class Animal {
                                     superclass
               String color;
              public void eat() {}
                               class Cat extends Animal {
class Dog extends Animal {
                                       int age;
        String breed;
                                       public void meow() {
        public void bark() {}
      subclass
                                          subclass
```

Inheritance: An example



More examples

Superclass	Subclasses
Student	GraduateStudent, UndergraduateStudent
Shape	Circle, Triangle, Rectangle, Sphere, Cube
Loan	CarLoan, HomeImprovementLoan, MortgageLoan
Employee	Faculty, Staff
BankAccount	CheckingAccount, SavingsAccount



Definition

inheritance: a parent-child relationship between classes

Why use inheritance in java?

1. For Code Reusability

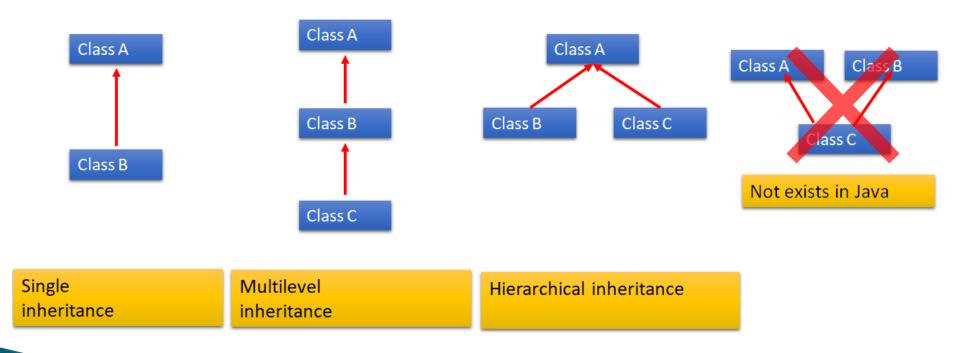
allows to reuse variables and methods of the existing class when you create a child from it.

2.For Method Overriding

child class can **override** existing behavior from parent

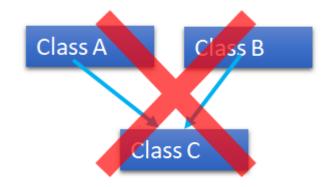
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Types of Inheritance



Inheritance in Java

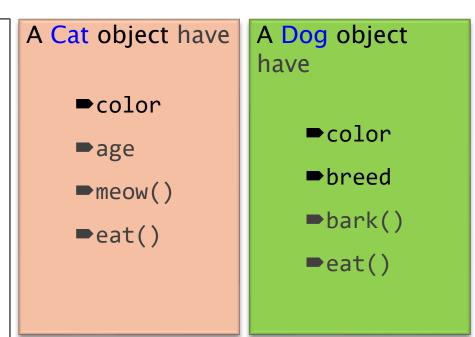
- In Java, you specify a class as your parent by using 'extends' keyword public class Cat extends Animal {
- A Java child class has exactly one parent
 - Some other languages (C++) allow multiple inheritance
- by default, a class's parent is Object
- constructors are not inherited
 - because they are not members of a class



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Inheritance for Code Reusability

```
public class Animal {
    public String color;
    public void eat(){};
public class Cat extends Animal {
    public int age;
    public void meow(){};
public class Dog extends Animal {
   public String breed;
   public void bark(){};
```



We reuse codes that in Parent class

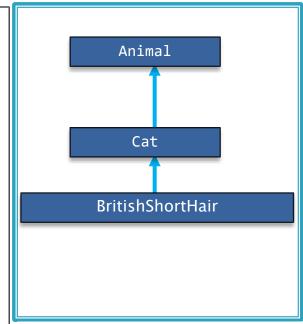
Let's move to Netbeans!

Multiple layers of inheritance

it is possible to extend a class that itself is a child class;

inheritance chains like this can be arbitrarily deep

```
public class BritishShortHair extends Cat {
   String someOtherAttribute;
}
```



MultiLevel inheritance

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Inheritance with Constructor

```
public class Animal {
   public String color;
    public Animal(String color){
               this.color = color;
    public void eat(){};
public class Cat extends Animal {
    public int age;
    public Cat(int age, String color) {
         super(color);
         this.age = age;
    public void meow(){};
```

```
public class Dog extends Animal {
    public String breed;
    public Dog(String breed, String color) {
        super(color);
        this.breed = breed;
    public void bark(){};
```

Remark: if the superclass has a constructor that requires any arguments (not default constructor), you *must* put a constructor in the subclass and have it call the super-constructor (call to super-constructor must be the first statement)

Using super keyword

```
class Animal{
    String color="white";
class Dog extends Animal{
String color="black";
   void printColor(){
        System.out.println(this.color);
        //prints color of Dog class
System.out.println(super.color);
        //prints color of Animal class
```

super keyword

- used to refer to superclass (parent) of current class
- can be used to refer to parent class's methods, variables,
 constructors to call them
 - needed when there is a name conflict with current class
- useful when overriding and you want to keep the old behavior but add new behavior to it (method overriding)

syntax:

```
super(args);  // call parent's constructor
super.attributeName  // access parent's attribute
super.methodName(args);  // access parent's method
```

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Inheritance for Method Overriding

- In OOP, overriding means to override the functionality of an existing method.
- Child class can replace behavior of its parent's methods by redefining them
- a subclass can implement a parent class method based on its requirement

Method Overriding: Example

```
public class Company {
    public void adress() {
        System.out.println("this is default adress");
public class GoogleCompany extends Company {
    @Override
    public void adress() {
        System.out.println("THIS IS ADRESS OF GOOGLE");
public class MicrosoftCompany extends Company {
    @Override
    public void adress() {
        System.out.println("THIS IS ADRESS OF MICROSOFT");
```

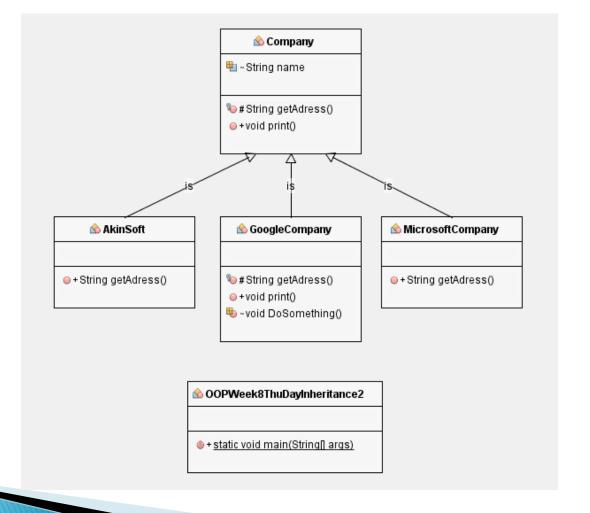
```
public static void main(String[] args) {
   Company company1 = new Company();
   company1.adress();

   GoogleCompany company2 = new GoogleCompany();
   company2.adress();

   MicrosoftCompany company3 = new MicrosoftCompany();
   company3.adress();
}
```

you have already done this ...

where?



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Access modifiers: protected

- public: visible to all other classes public class Animal
- private: visible only to the current class, its methods, and every instance (object) of its class
 - a child class cannot refer to its parent's private members! private String name;
- protected (this one's new to us): visible to the current class, and all of its child classes protected int age;

	default	private	protected	public
Same Class	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Same package subclass	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Same package non- subclass	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Different package subclass	No	No	Yes	Yes
Different package non- subclass	No	No	No	Yes

Access Control and Inheritance

The following rules for inherited methods are enforced:

- 1. Public methods in a superclass also must be public in all subclasses.
- 2. Protected methods in a superclass must be protected or public in subclasses; they cannot be private.
- 3. Private methods are not inherited at all, so there is no rule for them.

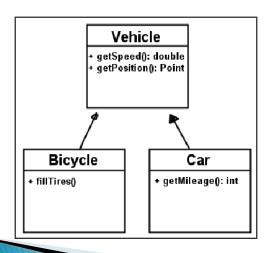
Example: An Access modifier problem

```
public class Parent {
  private int attribute1;
  protected int attribute2;
  public int attribute3;
  protected final static int
  attribute5=1;
  private void method1() {}
  public void method2() {}
  protected void setAttribute1(int
  value){
  this.attribute1 = value;
```

```
public class Child extends Parent {
 public int attribute4;
 public Child() { // Which are legal?
   attribute4 = 0; //
   attribute1++; // _____
   attribute2++; //
   attribute3++;
  attribute5++; //
   method2();
   setAttribute1(attribute4); //
```

Class diagram: inheritance-1

- classes that have inheritance relationships are connected by arrows
- hierarchies drawn top-down with arrows from child to parent



- Attributes accessModifier name: type
 - for private
 - + for public
 - # for protected

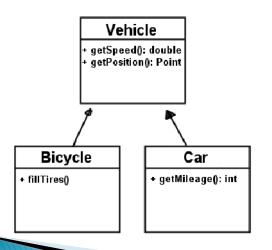
- x : int - y : int - width : int - height : int

Rectangle

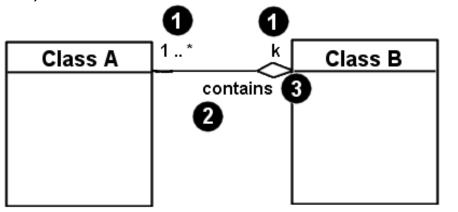
- # getState() : Object
- + getX() : int
- + getY() : int
- + getWidth() : int
- + getHeight() : int
- + getArea() : double
- + setX(int)
- + setY(int)

Class diagram: inheritance -2

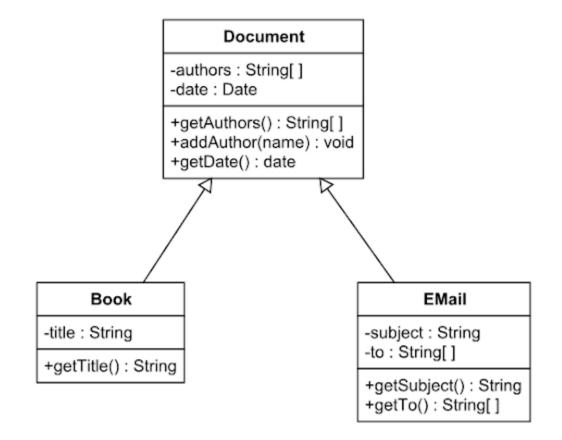
- inheritance relationships (is a relationship)
 - hierarchies drawn top-down with arrows from child to parent



- associational relationships (has a relationship)
 - 1. multiplicity (how many)
 - 2. name (what relationship the objects have)
 - 3. navigability (who has relationship with whom)



Lab exercise



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