

OOPS - Introduction

Object Oriented Programming

What is OOP? - Introduction



This series will not be language -specific
Examples will be not require knowledge of the
language being used

What is OOP?

In order to understand **what object oriented programming is**, It's best to first understand **what objects are**

In order to understand **what objects are**, it's best to first understand **what primitive data types are**

What is OOP? - Primitive Data

Primitive data types store single, simple values

Examples:

- Byte
- Int
- Float
- Boolean
- Double
- Char

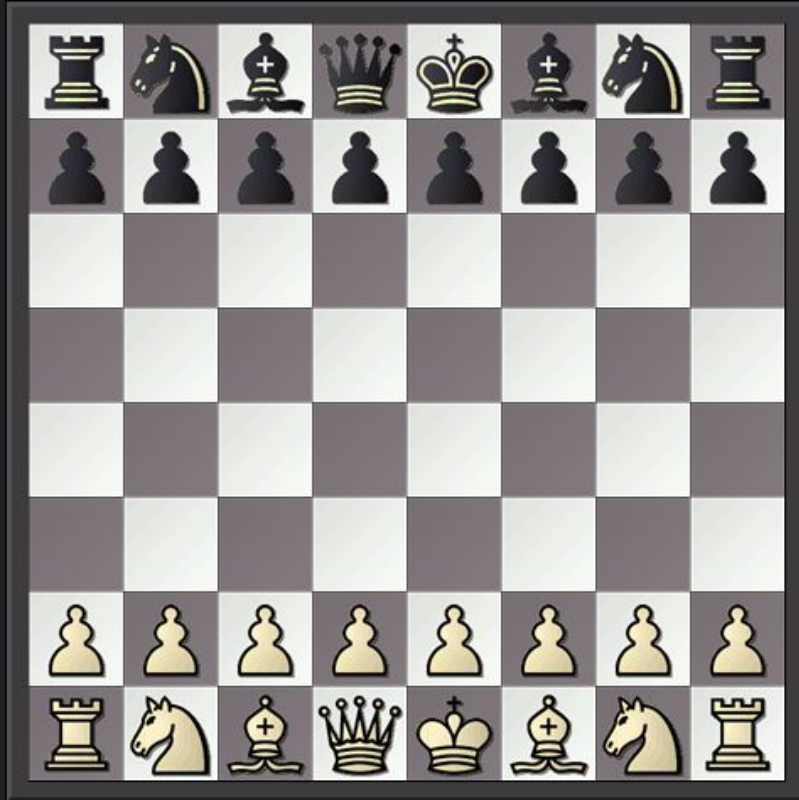
What is OOP? - Primitive Data

Program at the time weren't very complicated compared to today standard

As programs became **larger and more complex**, only using primitive data types wasn't sufficient anymore

Programmers began to need to **group similar pieces of data together**

What is OOP? - Chess Example



What is OOP? - The Structure

The Structure

Stores many pieces of
data

Can store different types
of data

The Array

Stores many pieces of
data

Cannot store different
types of data

What is OOP? - The Structure

The Structure

Int

Int

String

double

What is OOP? - The Structure

Struct Knight



Position

Color

Captured

What is OOP? - The Structure

Struct Knights



Knight 1

Knight 2

Knight 3

Knight 4

What is OOP? - The Structure

Struct
WhiteKnights



Struct
BlackKnights



Knight 1

Knight 2

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Knight 4

What is OOP? - The Structure

The main issue with structures is that you **cannot define functions** within one

Thinking about the chess example, this prevents you from **defining a function specific to the knights**, such as their move function, within the structure

What is OOP? - Objects

Objects are **instances of a class**

Classes are **templates for objects**

What is OOP? - Classes

Class knight



move()

Function is specific to knights, as other pieces move in a different manner

What is OOP? - Classes

Class knight



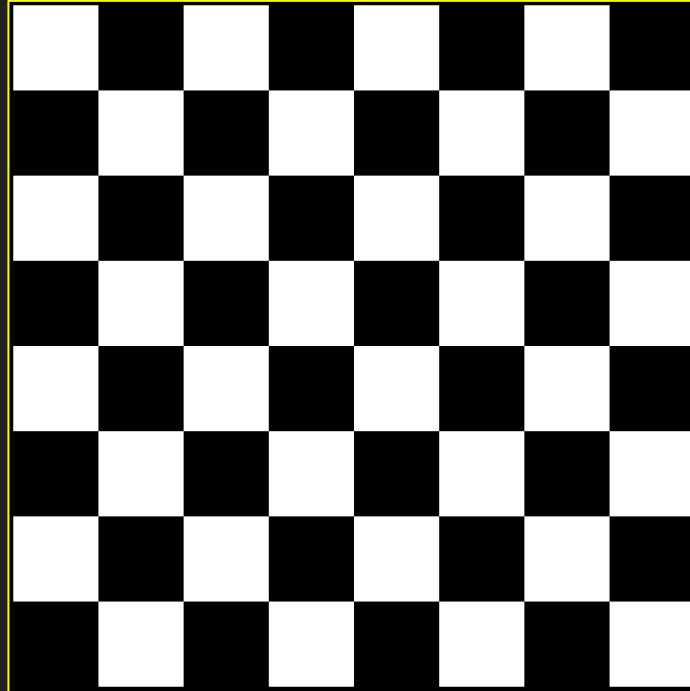
move()

position

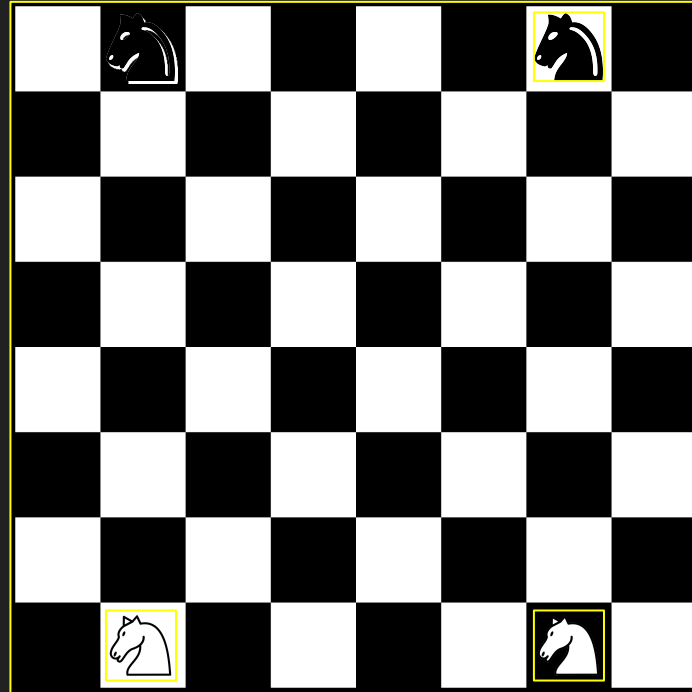
color

Color and position are not initialized, as **different instances** of a knight will have **different values** for these variables

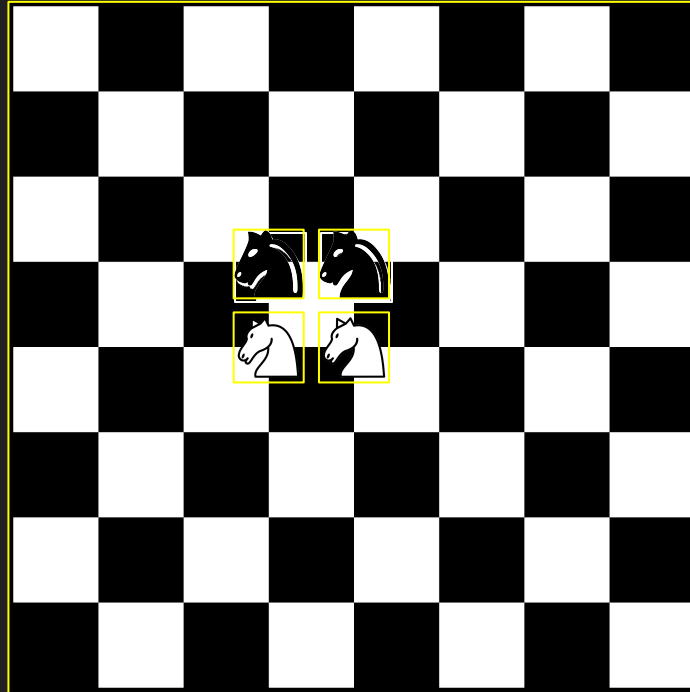
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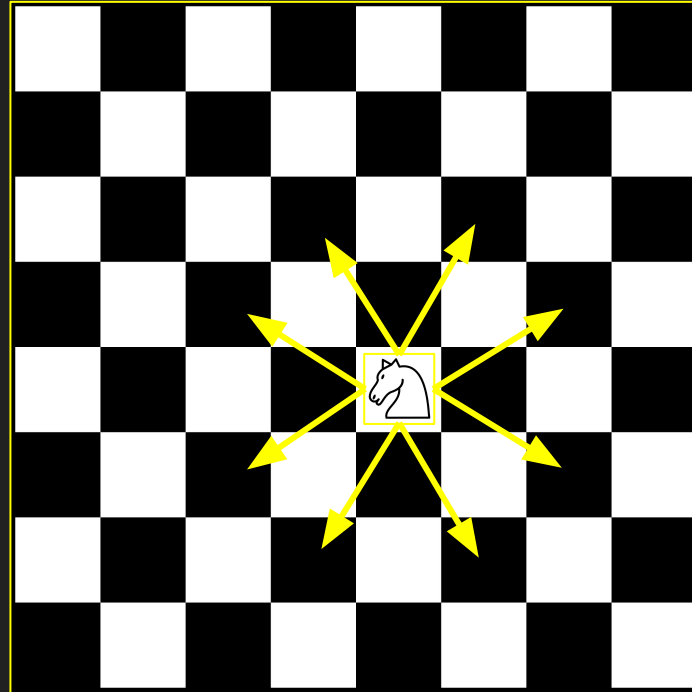
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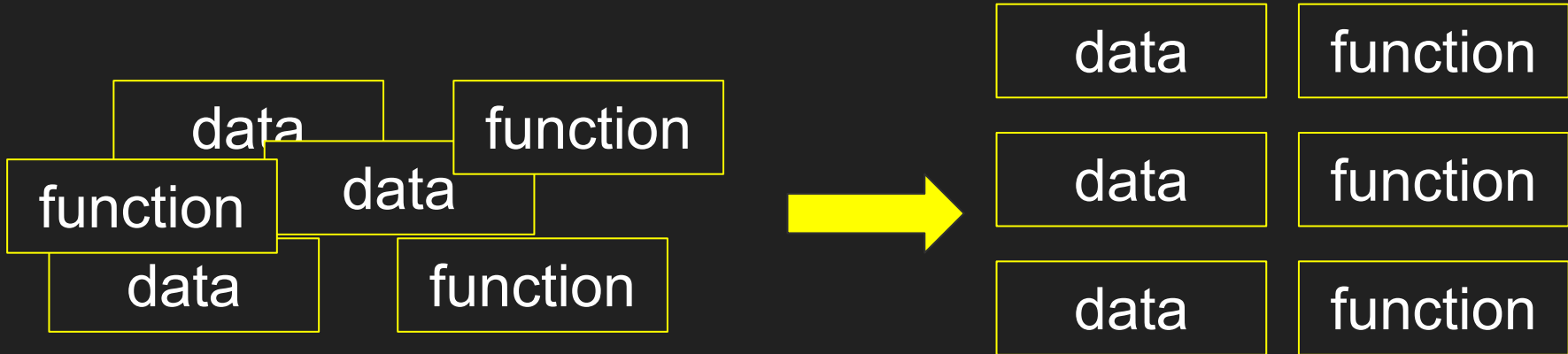
What is OOP? - Classes

Whereas the knight class represents **any given knight, a knight**, a knight object represents **only one singular knight**



What is OOP? - Classes

Object oriented programming helps programmers create complex programs by **grouping together related data and functions**



Series - Overview



Throughout the video we will explain OOP using its four main principles:

- Encapsulation
- Abstraction
- Inheritance
- Polymorphism

Encapsulation - Introduction

Encapsulation refers to **bundling data with methods** that can operate on that data within a class

Essentially, it is the idea of **hiding data** within a class, **preventing anything outside that class from directly interacting with it**

Encapsulation - Introduction

This **does not mean** that members of other classes cannot interact at all with the attributes of another object



Encapsulation - Introduction



Members of other classes can **interact with the attributes of another object** through its methods

Remember, methods are the **functions defined within the class**

Encapsulation - Introduction



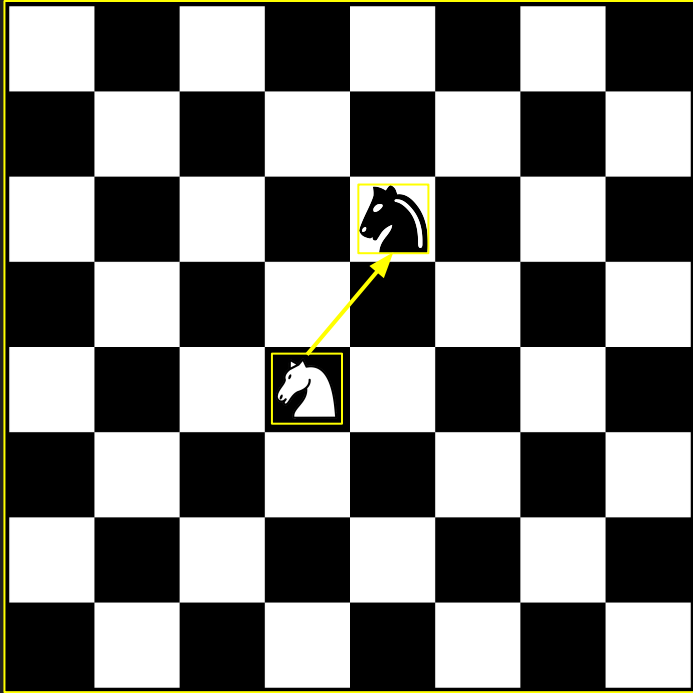
Getting Methods

Setting Methods

Retrieving
information

Changing information

What is OOP? - Classes



```
piece.getColor()
```

Checks the color of any given piece from anywhere in the program

Encapsulation - Introduction



Setting methods also allow the programmer to easily keep track of attributes that depend on one another

Method 1

Method 2

Encapsulation - Game Example

Class Player

Player.maxHealth

Player.levelUp()

Player.currentHealth

Setting Method

Encapsulation - Game Example

The setting method allows **both attributes to be changed as they should**, rather than requiring you to individually change them

currentHealth



maxHealth

Encapsulation - Game Example

The below example ensures that the change to the attribute is within the bounds of what is allowed

```
def setCurrentHealth(newHealth):  
    player.currentHealth = newHealth  
    if player.currentHealth > player.maxHealth:  
        player.currentHealth = player.maxHealth
```

Encapsulation - Methods

You may also want some attributes to be “**read only**” from the outside

- To do this, you would **define a getter method** but not a **setter method**
- The variable could **only be referenced**, **not changed**

Encapsulation - Game Example

Class Piece

Piece.rank

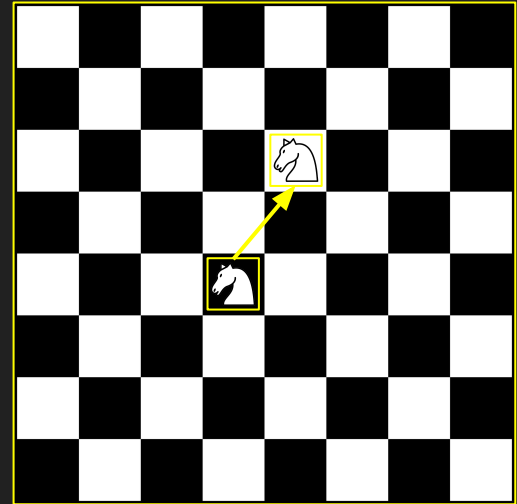
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Encapsulation - Game Example

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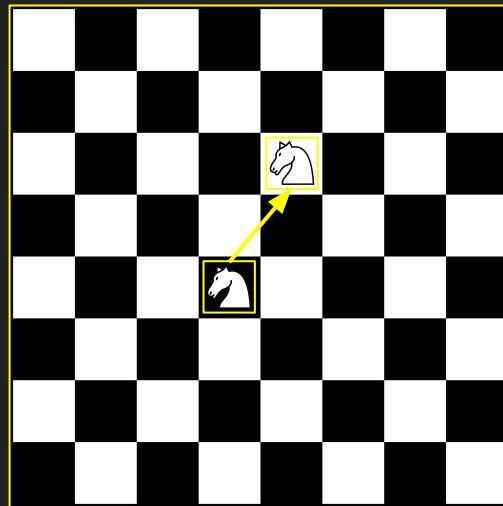
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Piece.rank

=newRank

Player.file

=newFile



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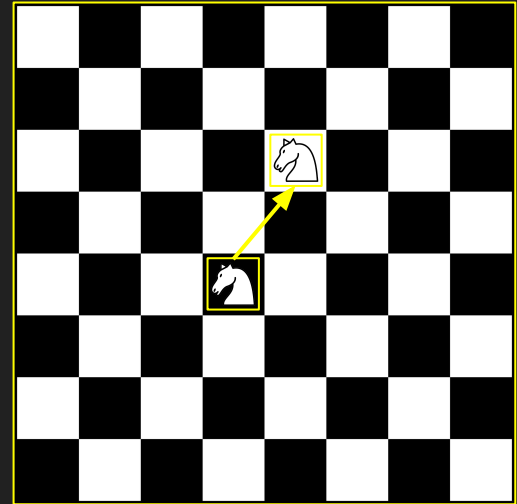
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Encapsulation - Game Example

Class Piece

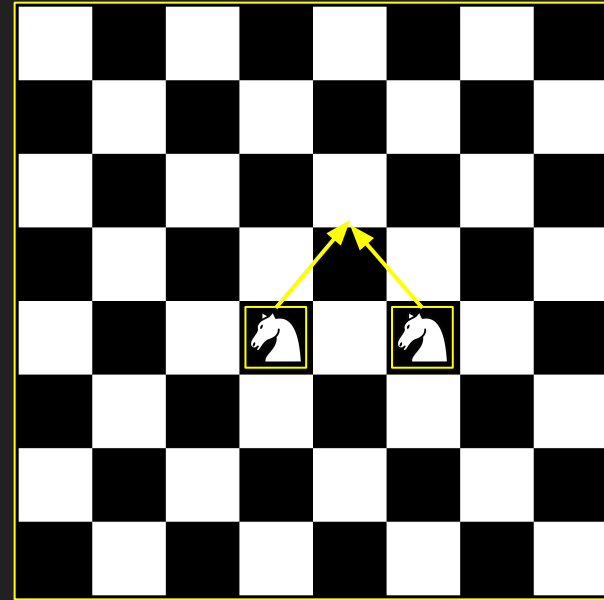
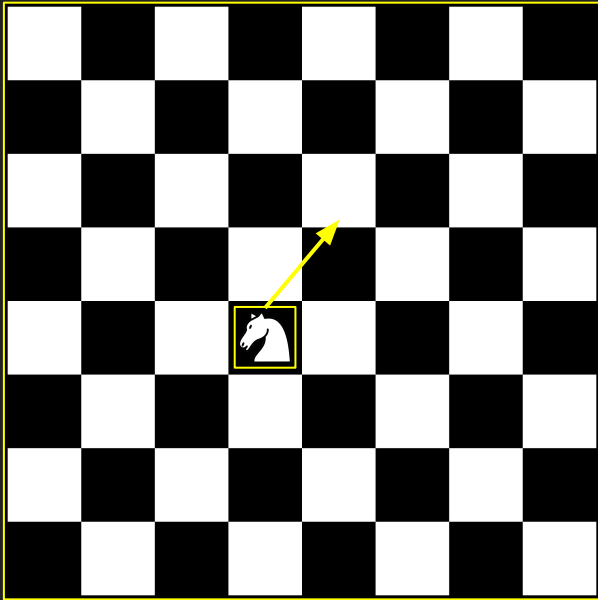
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Player.file

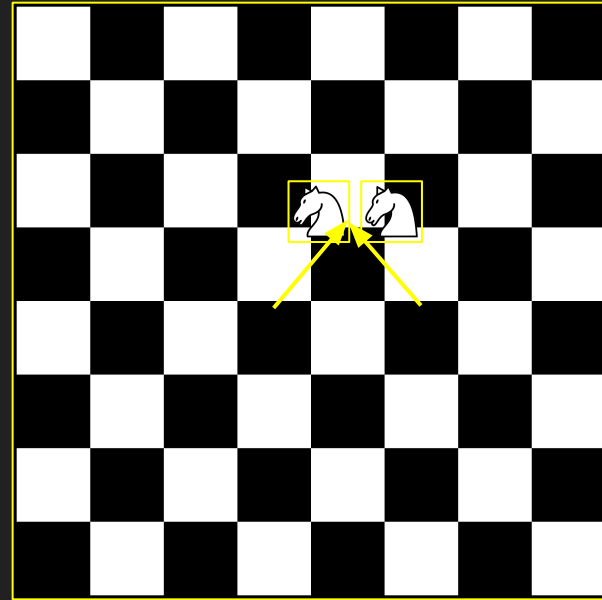
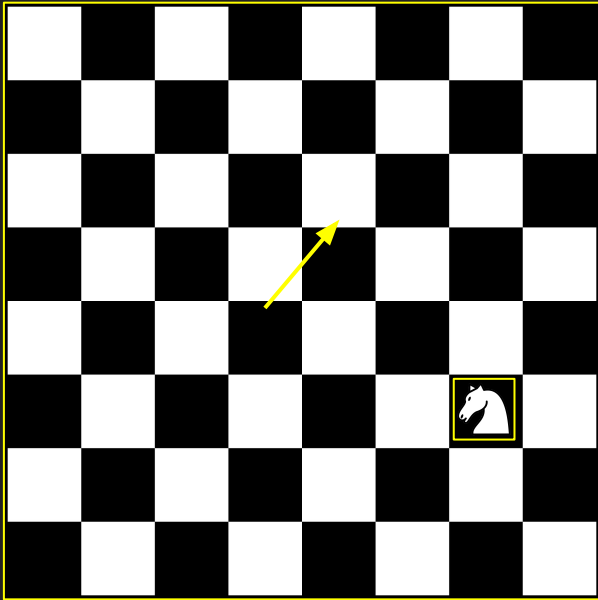
piece.move()

Allows validation and
can carry out other
methods

Encapsulation - Game Example



Encapsulation - Game Example



Encapsulation - Information Hiding



It's generally best to not allow **external classes** to **directly edit an object's attributes**

This is very important when working on large and complex programs

Each piece should not **have access to** or **rely on** the **inner working of other sections of code**

Encapsulation - Information Hiding



This idea will be revisited very soon

Information hiding, or keeping the data of one class hidden from external classes, helps you **keep control of your program** and **prevent it from becoming too complicated**

Encapsulation - Overview

Encapsulation is a vital principle in Object Oriented Programming

Encapsulation:

- Keeps the programmer in **control of access of data**
- Prevents the program from ending up in any **strange or unwanted states**

Abstraction - Introduction

This segment we will be looking at the next of the four principles of object - oriented programming:

Abstraction

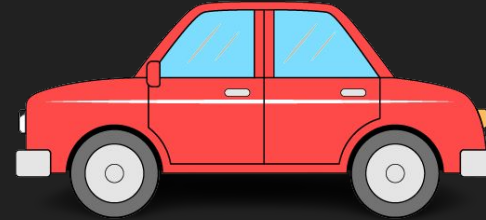
Abstraction refers to **only showing essential details and keeping** everything else hidden

Abstraction - Car Example

How the steering wheel steers the car

How the gas and brake pedals affect the car

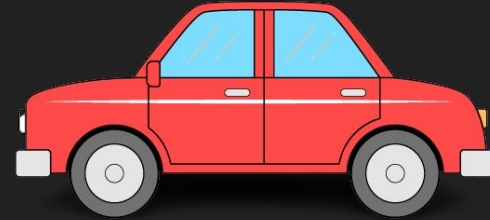
How much gas your car has



Important to most people

Abstraction - Car Example

How exactly the car functions internally



As long as you understand the outcome, the process is not very important to you

Important to most people

Abstraction - Explanation

This idea extends to object-oriented programming

The classes you create should act like your car. **Users of your classes should not worry about the inner details of those classes**

Abstraction - Explanation

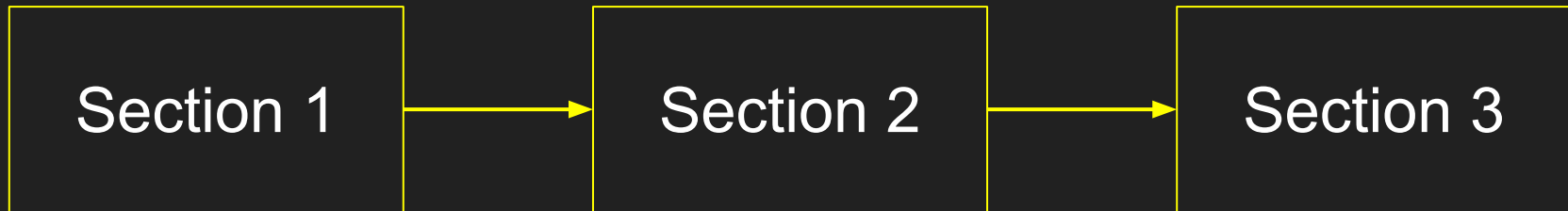
This is similar to encapsulation that was discussed last video

Classes should **not directly interact** with other classes' data

This is very important when working on your program incrementally

Abstraction - Explanation

This is very important when working on your program incrementally



Abstraction - Interface and Implementation

Interface

Implementation

Abstraction - Interface and Implementation



The **interface** refers to the way sections of code can communicate with one another

This typically is done through methods that each class is able to access

Abstraction - Interface and Implementation

The **implementation** of these methods, or how these methods are coded, should be hidden



`car.pushGas()`



Car moves
forward

The “how” is not important

Abstraction - Chess Example



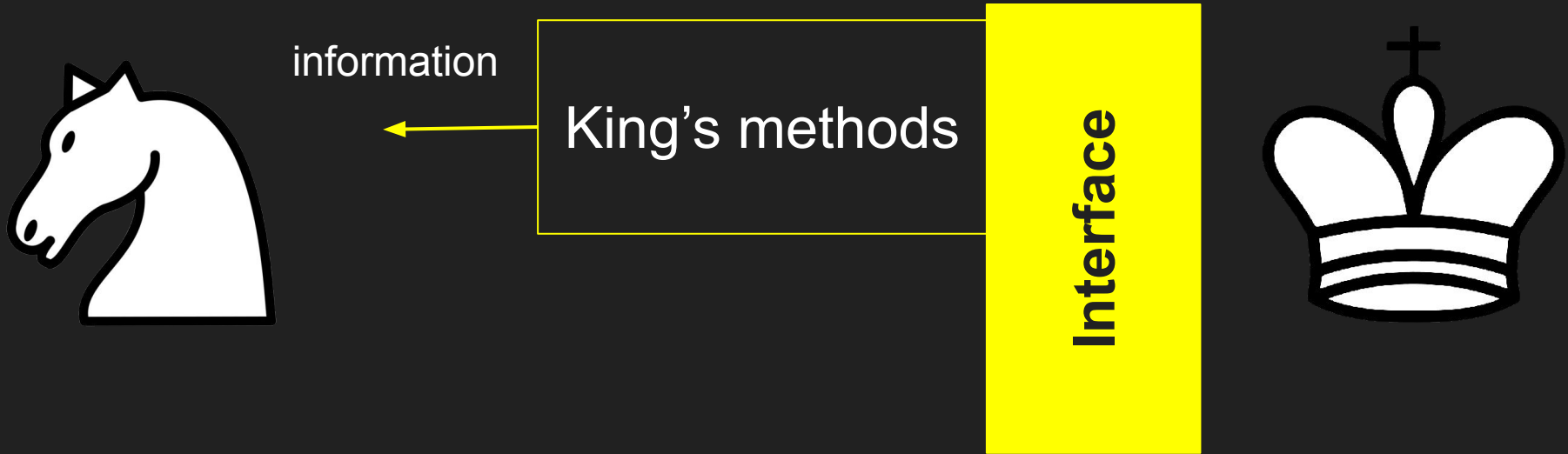
Abstraction - Chess Example



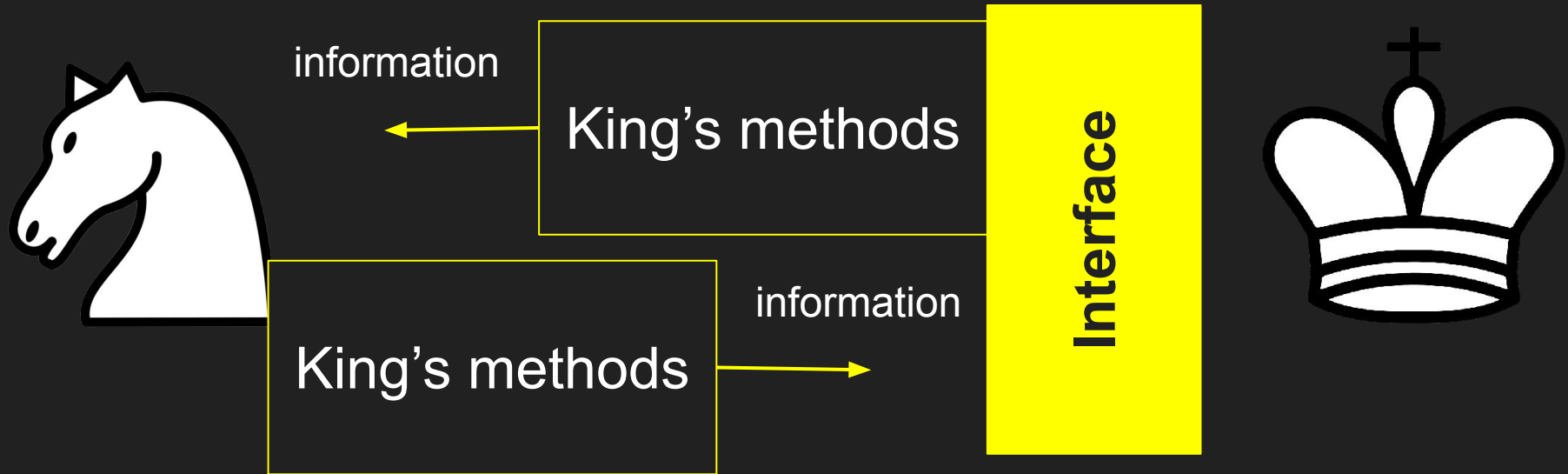
Interface



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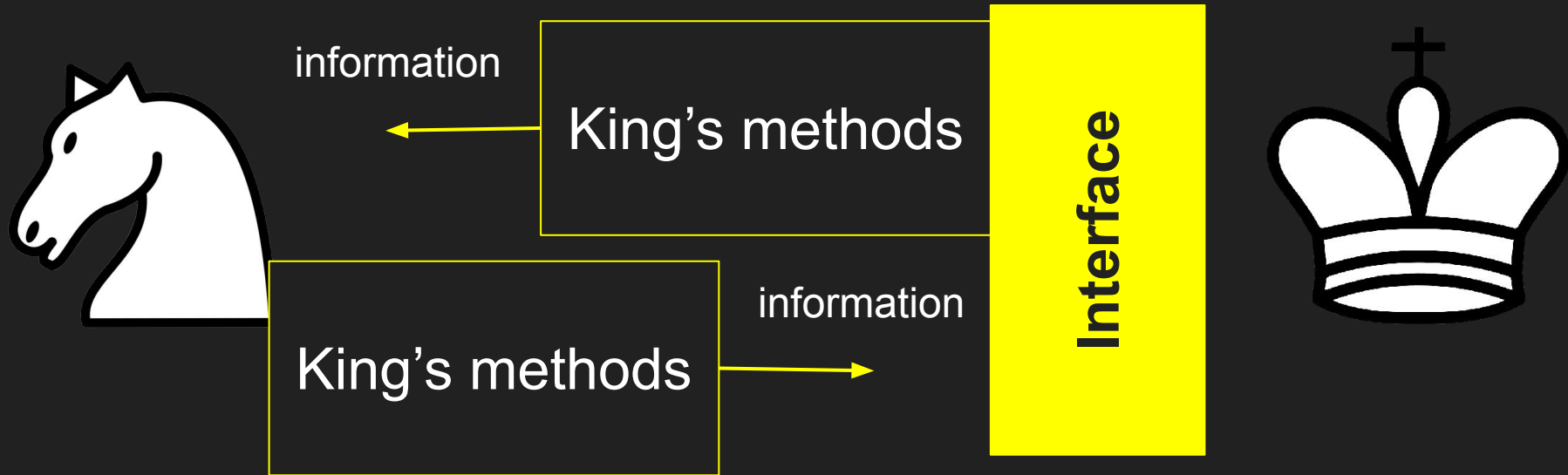


Abstraction - Chess Example



Abstraction - Chess Example

King's implementation is not important to you



Abstraction - Interface and Implementation



Data 1

Data 2

Data 3

Data 1

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Data 3



Abstraction - Interface and Implementation



Data 1

Data 2

Data 3

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Abstraction - Interface and Implementation



Abstraction - Interface and Implementation



If classes are **entangled**, then one change creates a **ripple effect that causes many more changes**

Creating an interface through which classes can interact ensures that **each piece can be individually developed**

Abstraction - Overview



Abstraction allows the program to be worked on incrementally and prevents it from becoming entangled and complex

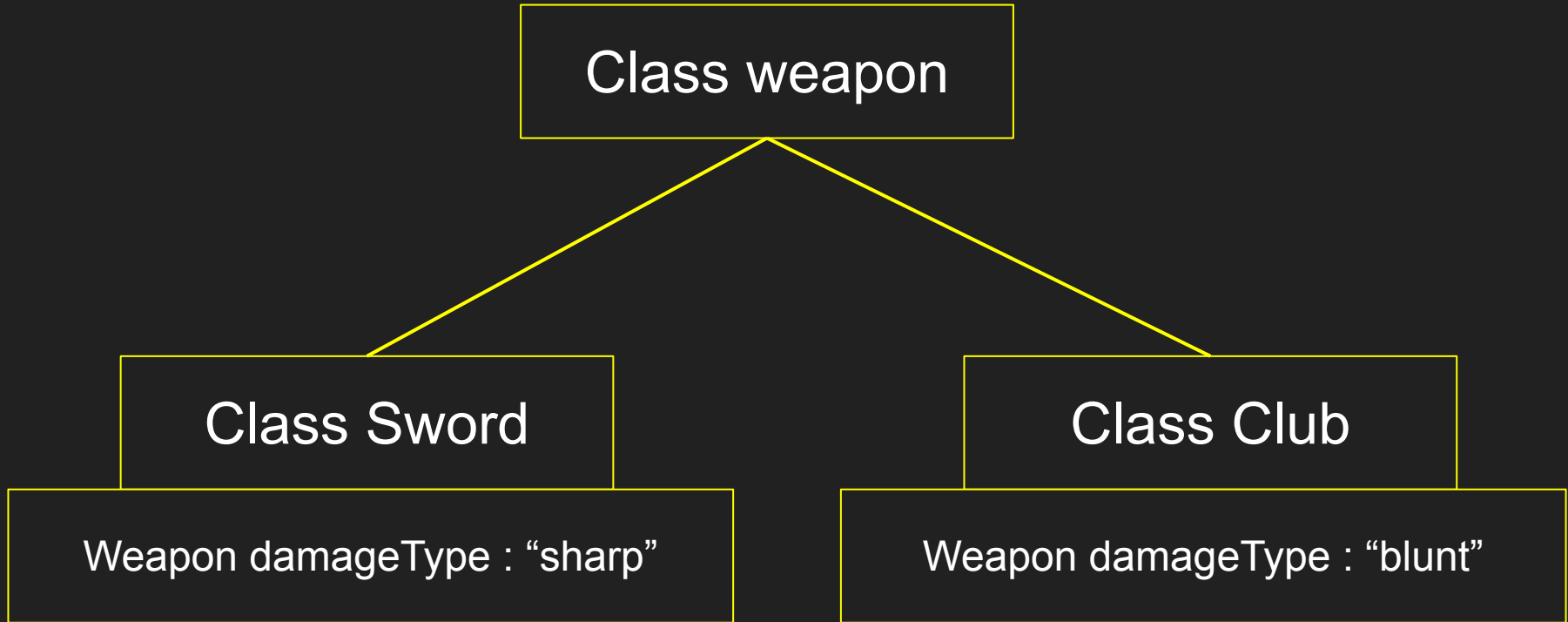
Determine specific points of contact that can act as an interface between classes, and only worry about the implementation when coding it

Inheritance - Introduction

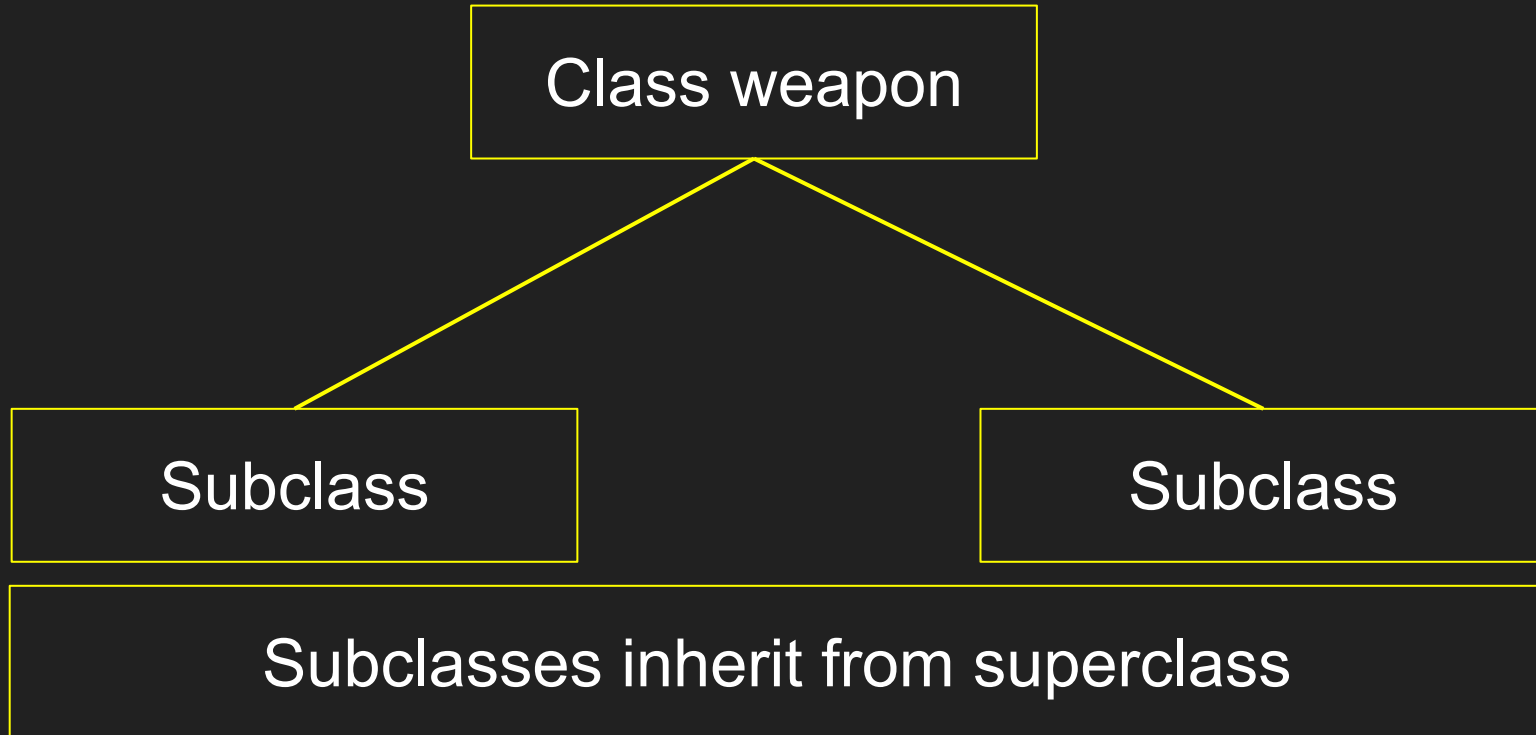
This segment we will be looking at the next of the four main principles of object - oriented programming: **Inheritance**

Inheritance is the principle that allows classes to derive from other classes.

Inheritance - Game Example



Inheritance - Game Example

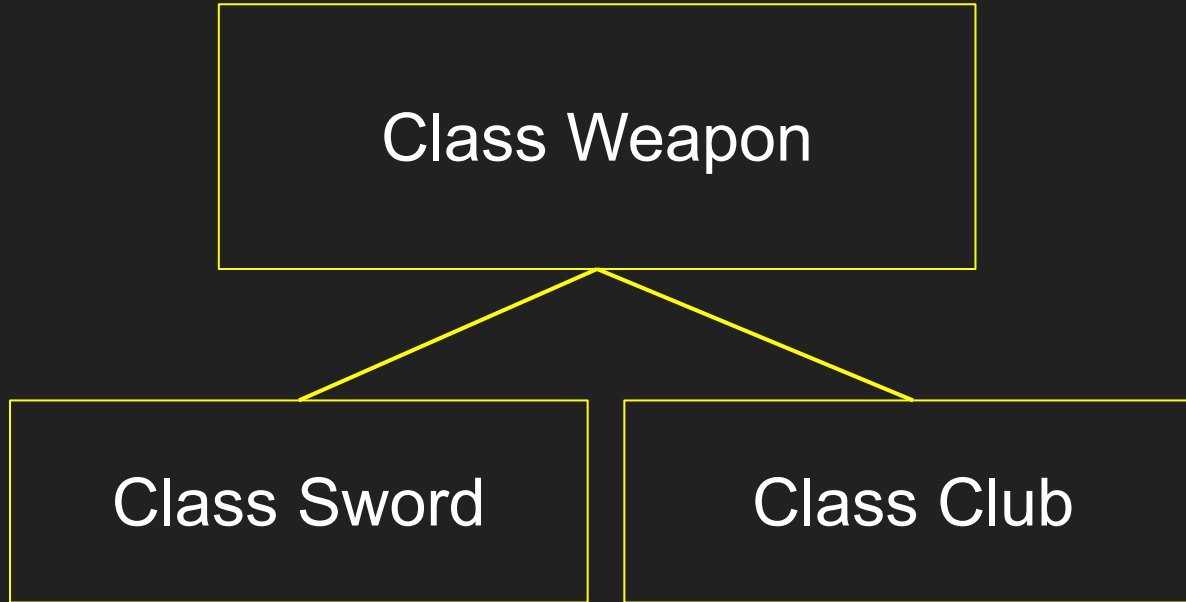


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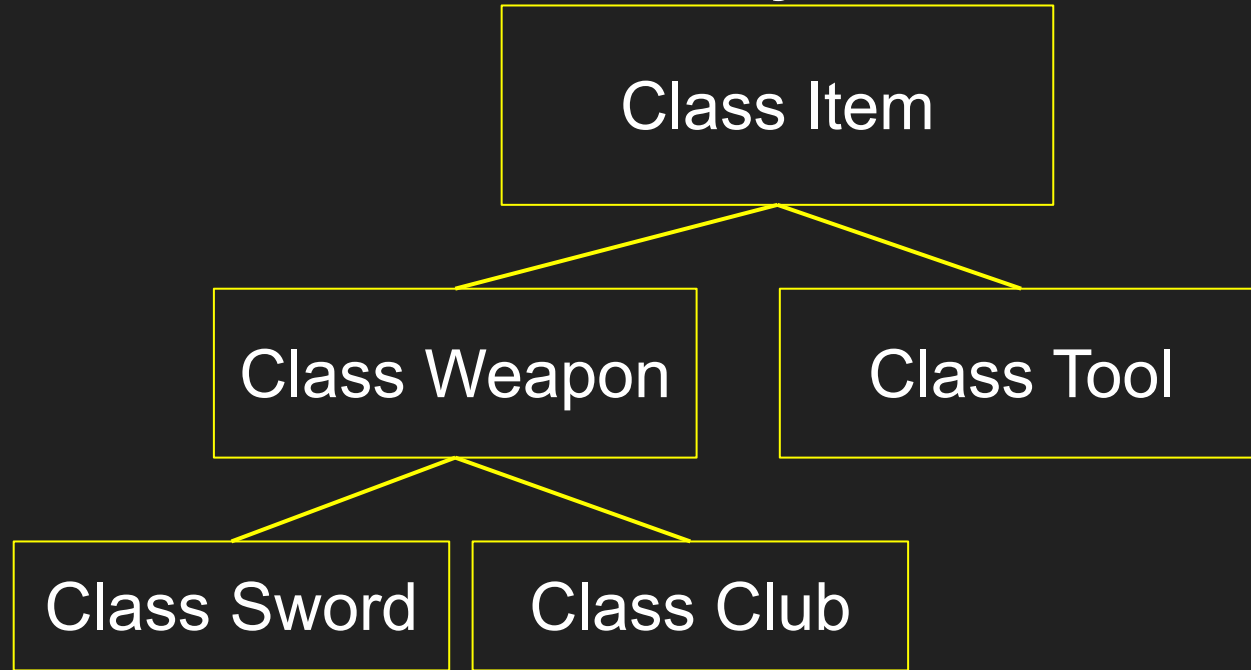
Any sword or club would require the methods and attributes present in the weapon class in order to function

In most cases the **class hierarchy** you create will have many more layers with many more classes in each layer

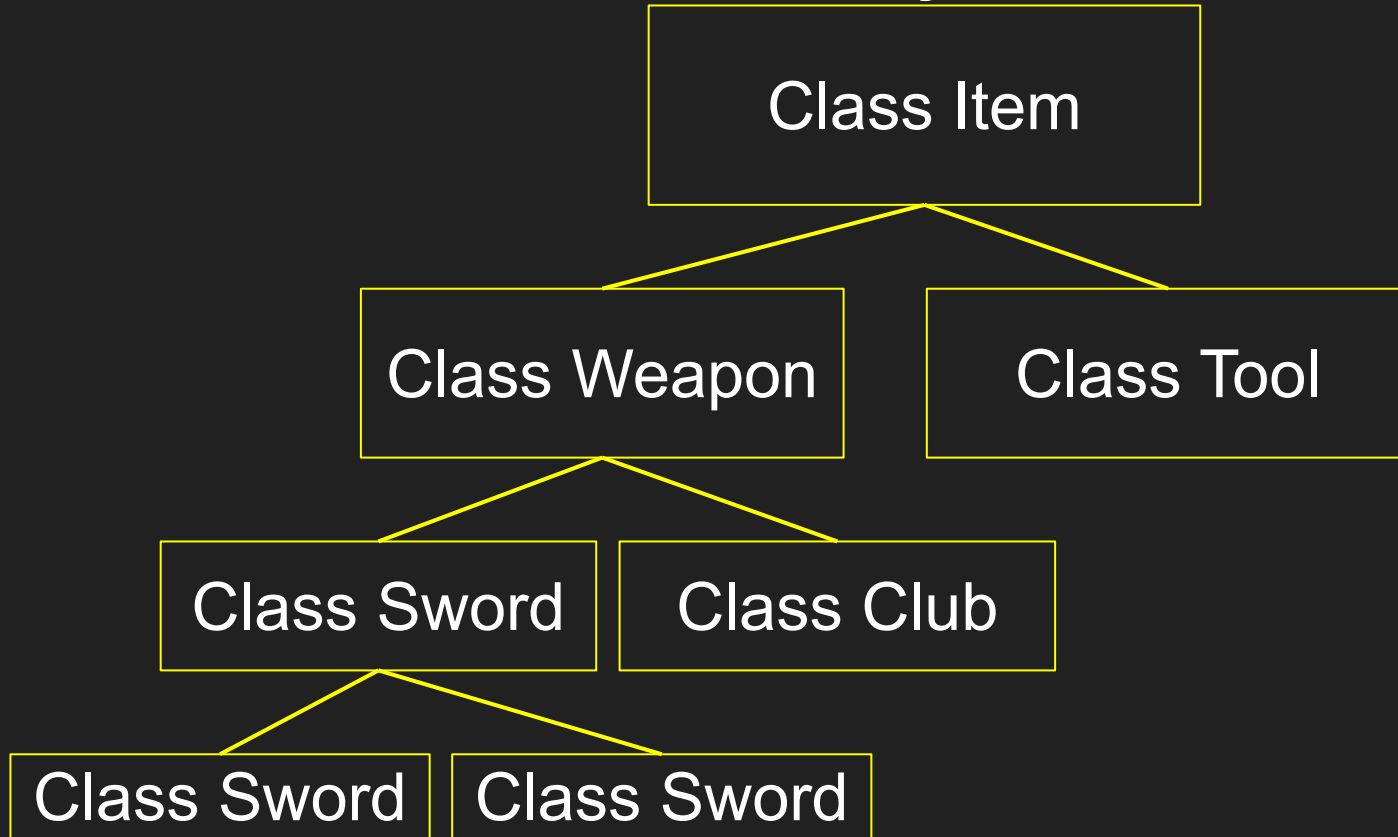
Inheritance - class Hierarchy



Inheritance - Class Hierarchy

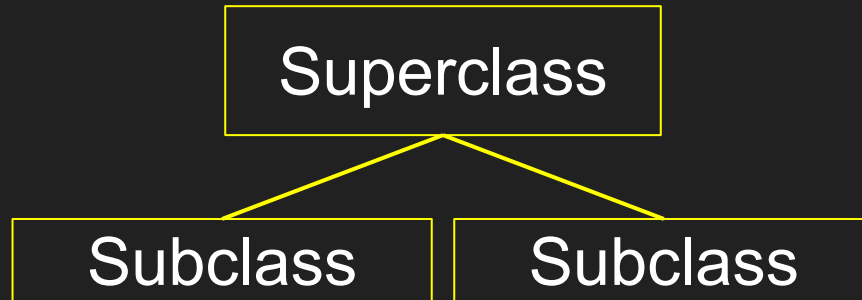


Inheritance - Class Hierarchy



Inheritance - Class Hierarchy

The **class hierarchy** acts as a web of classes with different relationships to one another



Inheritance - Access Modifiers

Access modifiers change which classes have access to other classes, methods, or attributes

The three main access modifiers we will be covering are:

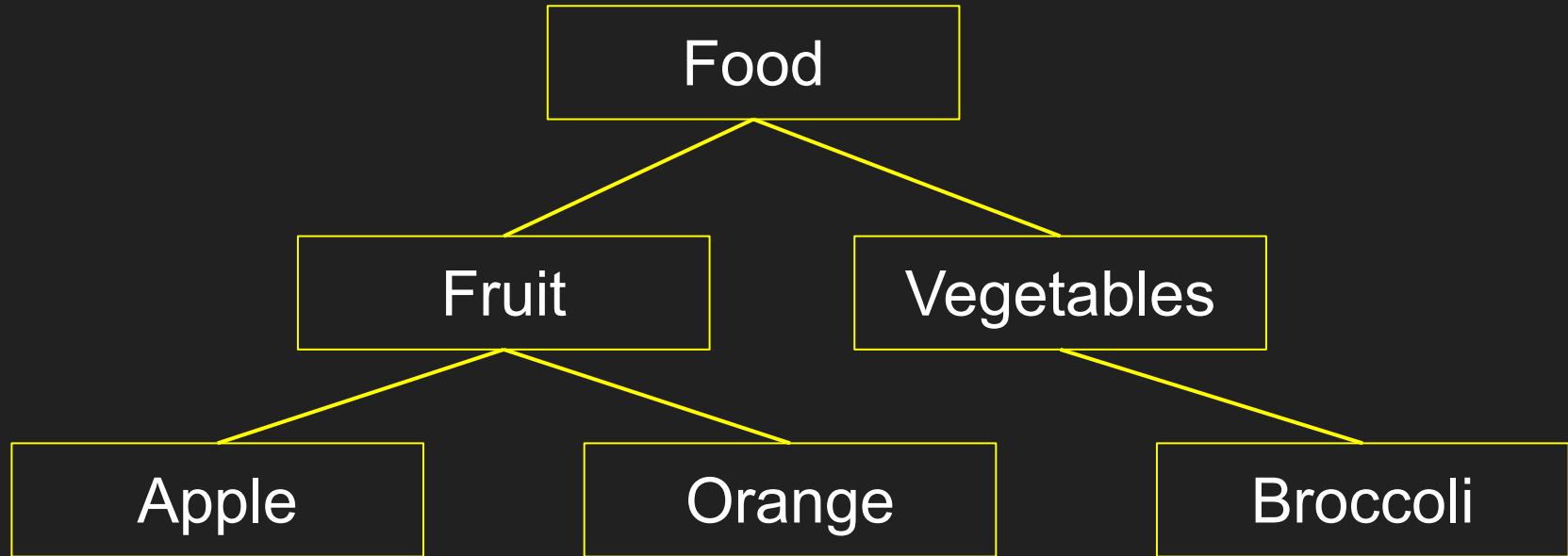
- Public
- Private
- Protected

Inheritance - Access Modifiers

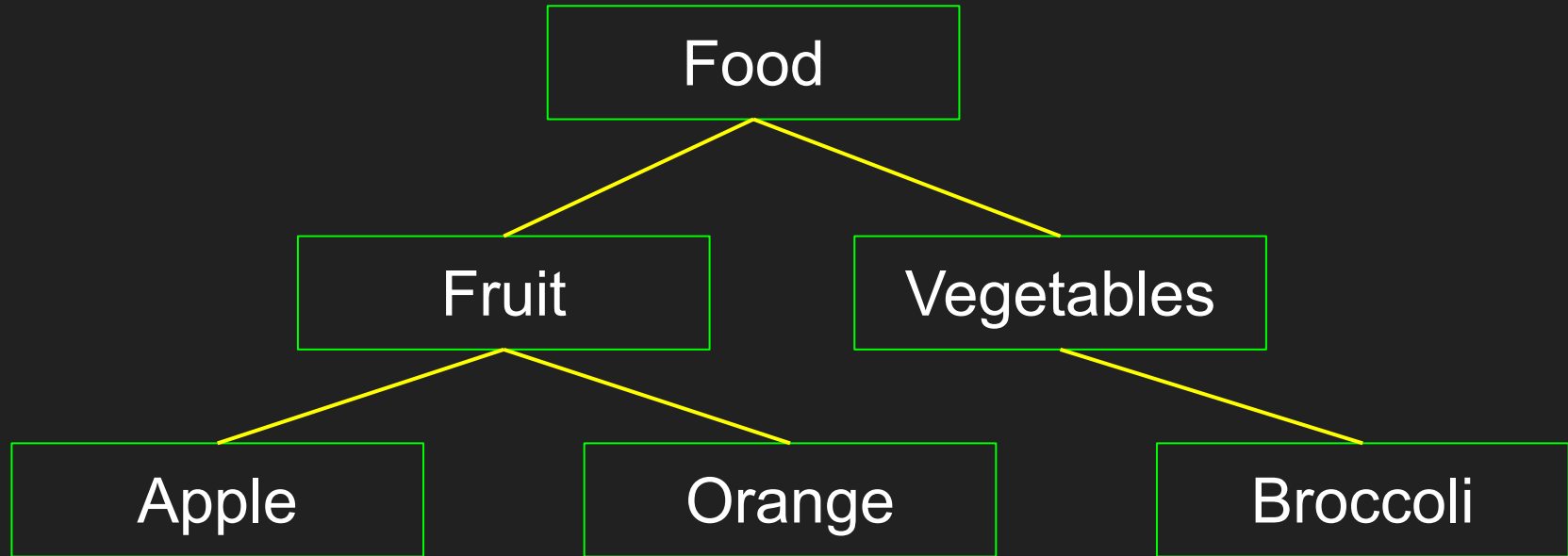
Public members can be accessed from anywhere in your program

This includes anywhere both inside of the class hierarchy it is defined as well as outside in the rest of the program

Inheritance - Access Modifiers



Inheritance - Access Modifiers

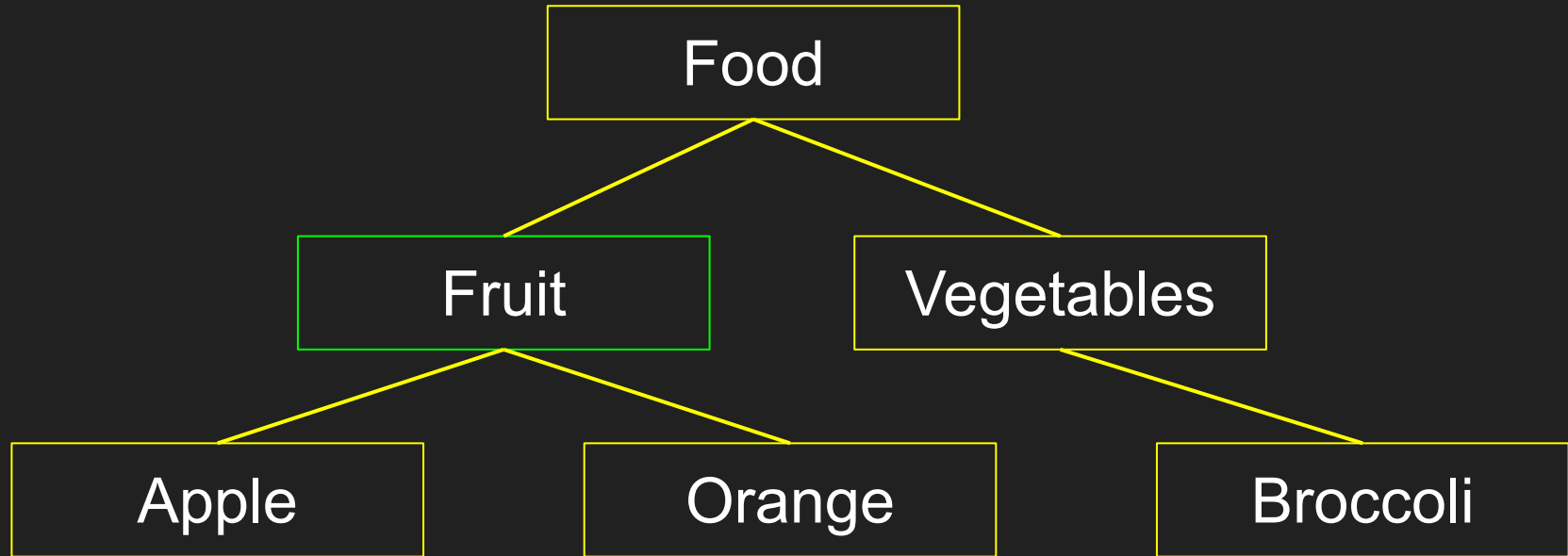


Inheritance - Access Modifiers

Private members can only be accessed from within the same class that the member is defined

This allows you to create multiple private members of the same name in different locations so that they do not conflict with one another

Inheritance - Access Modifiers

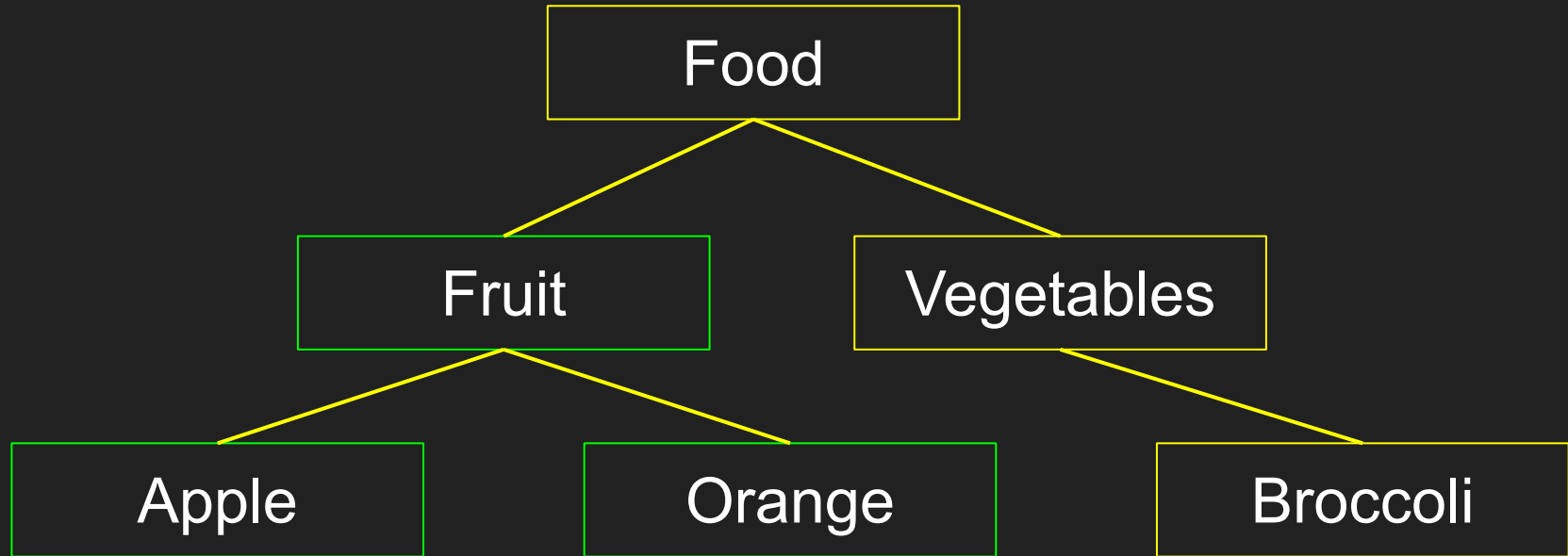


Inheritance - Access Modifiers

Private members can only be accessed from within the class it is defined, as well as any subclasses on that class.

This essentially makes protected members private to the hierarchy in which they are defined

Inheritance - Access Modifiers



Polymorphism - Introduction

Polymorphism describes **methods that are able to take on many forms**

There are two types of polymorphism

The first type is known as dynamic polymorphism

Polymorphism - Introduction

Dynamic polymorphism occurs **during the runtime** of the program

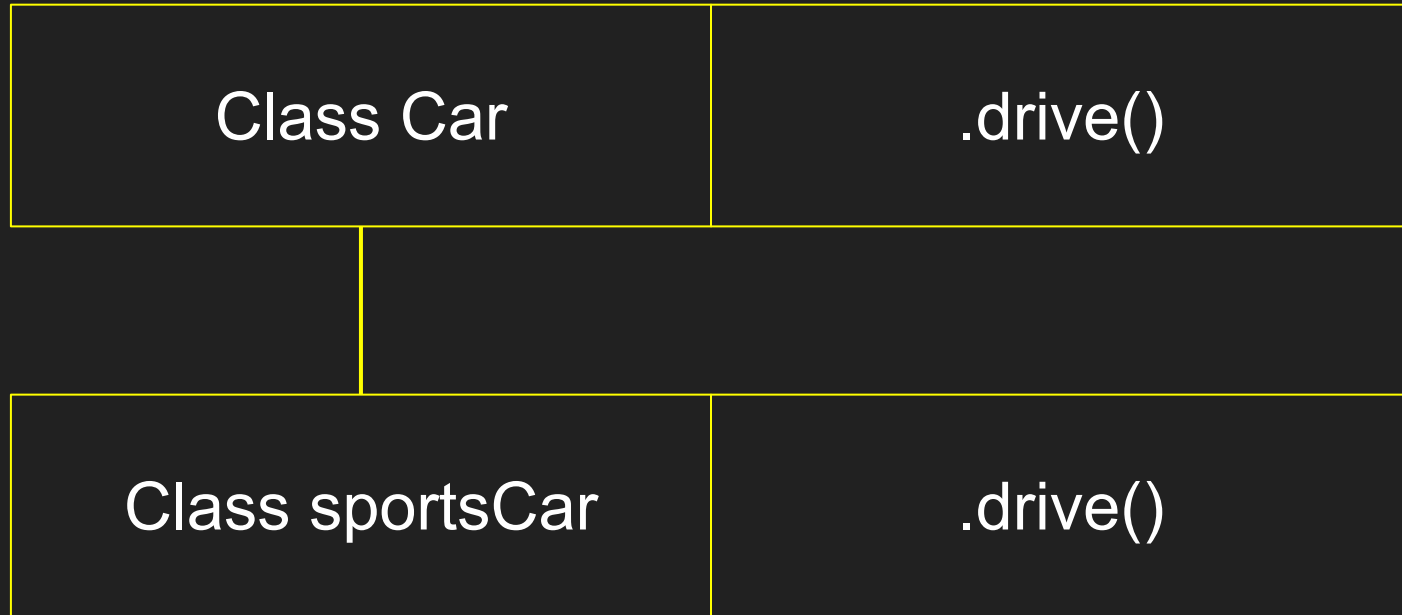
This type of polymorphism describe when a **method signature is in both a subclass and a superclass**

Polymorphism - Introduction

The methods share the **same name** but have **different implementation**

The implementation of the subclass that the object is an instance of overrides that of the superclass

Polymorphism - Car Example



Polymorphism - Car Example

Class Car

.drive(miles)

```
{ Car.gas -= 0.04 *  
  miles }
```

Class sportsCar

.drive(miles)

```
{ Car.gas -= 0.02 *  
  miles }
```

Polymorphism - Car Example

Class Car

.drive(miles)

Class sportsCar

.drive(miles)

mySportsCar.drive()

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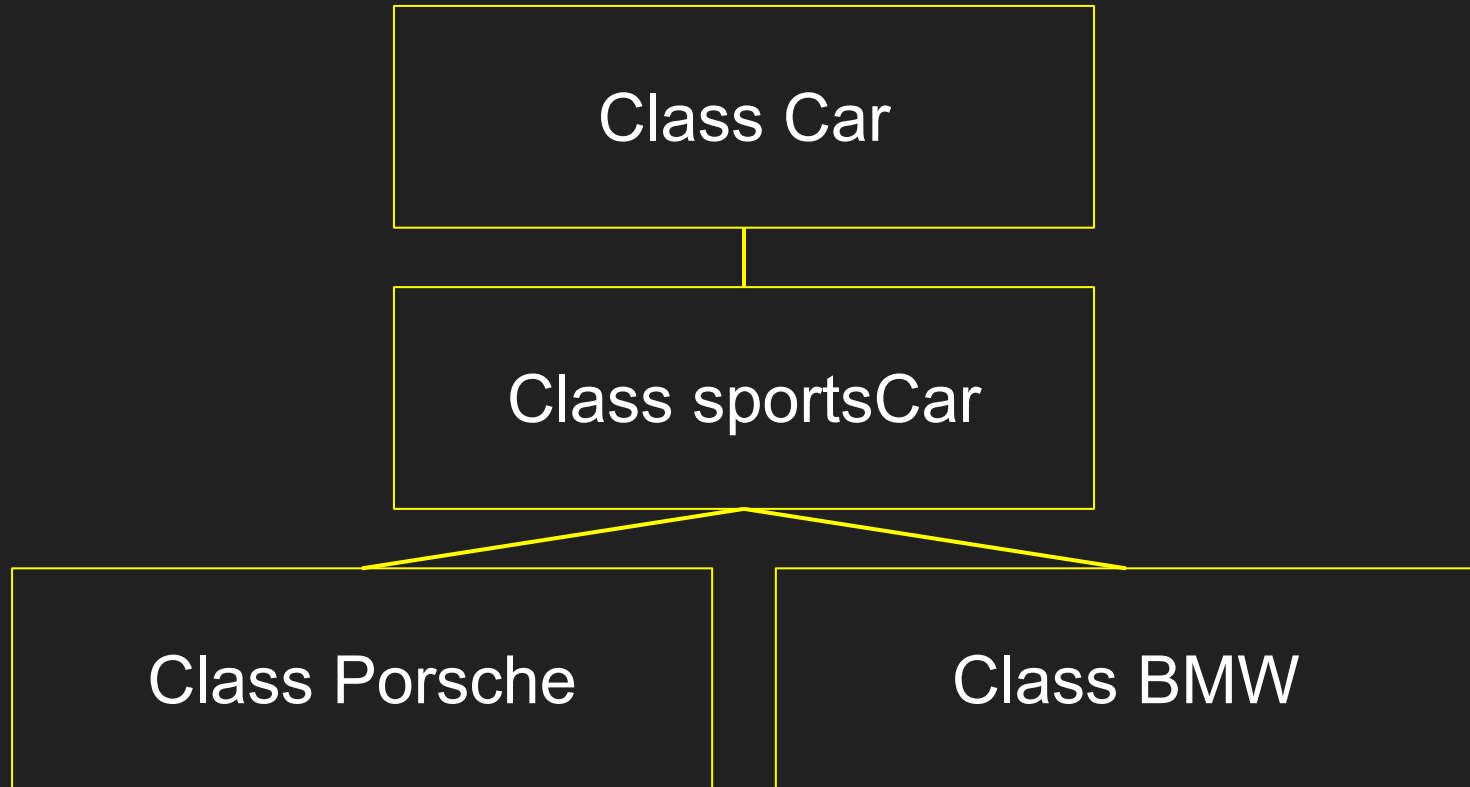
myCar.drive()

Polymorphism - Dynamic

This works because the **form of the method** is decided **based on where in the class hierarchy it is called**

The implementation of method signature that will be used is **determined dynamically as the program is run**

Polymorphism - Car Example



Polymorphism - Static

Static polymorphism occurs during **compile-time** rather than during runtime

This refers to when multiple **methods with the same name but different arguments** are defined in the same class

Polymorphism - Static

Ways to differentiate methods of the same name:

Polymorphism - Static

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Different number of parameters

Polymorphism - Static

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Different number of parameters

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Polymorphism - Static

Ways to differentiate methods of the same name:

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Different types of
parameters

Different order of
parameters

Polymorphism - Static

This is known as **method overloading**

Despite the methods having the same name, their signatures are different due to their different arguments

Polymorphism - Car Example

Class Car

1	.drive(int spd, string dest)
2	.drive(int spd, int dist)
3	.drive(string dest, int spd)

myCar.drive(45, "Work"

Polymorphism - Car Example

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Polymorphism - Overview

Overall, polymorphism allows methods to take on many different forms

When utilizing polymorphism and method overloading, be sure that you are calling the correct form of the method