

# Discussion 5: Inheritance

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## Announcements!

1. Midterm 1 is **Thurs, Feb. 27**
2. HW3 Due **Fri, Feb. 21**
3. HKN/CSM review sessions this weekend!
4. Extra Topical Section **Fri, Feb. 21**

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## Interfaces and Abstract Classes

- Interfaces are similar to classes, except rather than describe an object they describe a capability of an object (and you cannot create an instance of an interface)
  - Basically just a blueprint for other classes you want to create in the future
  - All methods are abstract and not concrete, must be overwritten by the class that implements the interface
  - Classes can implement many interfaces
- Abstract classes are basically the same but with a few key differences
  - Methods can either be abstract or concrete
  - The subclass that extends this can then override these concrete methods if it chooses to, and must implement the abstract methods
  - Classes can extend only one abstract class

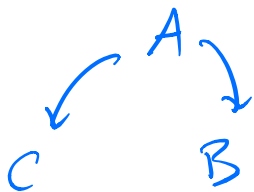
## Access Modifiers

1. **Private**: The access level of a private modifier is only within the class. It cannot be accessed from outside the class.
2. **Default**: The access level of a default modifier is only within the package. It cannot be accessed from outside the package. If you do not specify any access level, it will be the default.
3. **Protected**: The access level of a protected modifier is within the package and outside the package through child class. If you do not make the child class, it cannot be accessed from outside the package.
4. **Public**: The access level of a public modifier is everywhere. It can be accessed from within the class, outside the class, within the package and outside the package.

**NOTE:** To override an abstract method, the method signature's access modifiers must match exactly!!!

## Static and Dynamic Type

- **Static Types** are the types of containers
  - This is what is checked by the compiler, and any inconsistencies in the static types can lead to compile time errors
- **Dynamic Types** are the types of a value
  - This is determined at runtime, and any inconsistencies here can lead to runtime errors



```
B b = new A();
```

```
A a = new C();
```

## 1 Classy Cats

Look at the Animal class defined below.

```
1 public class Animal {
2     protected String name, noise;
3     protected int age;
4
5     public Animal(String name, int age) {
6         this.name = name;
7         this.age = age;
8         this.noise = "Huh?";
9     }
10
11    public String makeNoise() {
12        if (age < 2) {
13            return noise.toUpperCase();
14        }
15        return noise;
16    }
17
18    public String greet() {
19        return name + ": " + makeNoise();
20    }
21 }
```

- (a) Given the Animal class, fill in the definition of the Cat class so that it makes a "Meow!" noise when greet() is called. Assume this noise is all caps for kittens, i.e. Cats that are less than 2 years old.

```
public class Cat extends Animal {
    public Cat(String name, int age) {
        super(name, age);
        this.noise = "meow!";
    }
}
```

- (b) "Animal" is an extremely broad classification, so it doesn't really make sense to have it be a class. Look at the new definition of the Animal class below.

```
1 public abstract class Animal {
2     protected String name;
3     protected String noise = "Huh?";
4     protected int age;
5
6     public String makeNoise() {
7         if (age < 2) {
8             return noise.toUpperCase();
9         }
10        return noise;
11    }
12
13    public String greet() {
14        return name + ": " + makeNoise();
15    }
16
17    public abstract void shout();
18    abstract void count(int x);
19 }
```

Fill out the Cat class again below to allow it to be compatible with Animal (which is now an abstract class) and its two new methods.

```
public class Cat extends Animal {
    public Cat() {
        this.name = "Kitty";
        this.age = 1;
        this.noise = "Meow!";
    }

    public Cat(String name, int age) {
        this();
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    }

    @Override
    → public void shout() {
        System.out.println(noise.toUpperCase());
    }

    @Override
    → void count(int x) {
        for (int i = 0; i < x; i++) {
            System.out.println(makeNoise());
        }
    }
}
```

## 2 The Interfacing CatBus

After discovering that we can implement the Cat class with minimal effort, Professor Hilfinger decided that he wants to create a CatBus class. CatBuses are Cats that act like vehicles and have the ability to honk (safety is important!).

a) Given the Vehicle and Honker interfaces, fill out the CatBus class so that CatBuses can rev their engines and honk at other CatBuses.

```
interface Vehicle {  
    /** Gotta go fast! */  
    public void revEngine();  
}
```

```
interface Honker {  
    /** HONQUE! */  
    void honk();  
}
```

default void honk();

```
public class CatBus extends Cat, implements Vehicle, Honker {
```

```
→ @Override  
    public void revEngine() {  
        System.out.println("Purrrrrrrr");  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void honk() {  
        System.out.println("CatBus says HONK");  
    }  
  
    /** Allows CatBus to honk at other CatBuses. */  
    public void conversation(CatBus target, int duration) {  
        for (int i = 0; i < duration; i++) {  
            honk();  
            target.honk();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

b) After a few hours of research, Professor Hilfinger discovered that animals of type Goose are also avid Honkers! Modify the conversation method so that CatBuses can honk at CatBuses *and* Gooses.

```
/** Allows CatBus to honk ANY target that can honk back. */
```

```
public void conversation(Honker target, int duration) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < duration; i++) {  
        honk();  
        target.honk();  
    }  
}
```

### 3 Raining Cats & Dogs

In addition to `Animal` and `Cat` from Problem 1a, we now have the `Dog` class! (Assume that the `Cat` and `Dog` classes are both in the same file as the `Animal` class.)

```
1 class Dog extends Animal {
2     public Dog(String name, int age) {
3         super(name, age);
4         noise = "Woof!";
5     }
6     public void playFetch() {
7         System.out.println("Fetch, " + name + "!");
8     }
9 }
```

Consider the following main function in the `Animal` class. Decide whether each line causes a compile time error, a runtime error, or no error. If a line works correctly, draw a box-and-pointer diagram and/or note what the line prints. It may be useful to refer to the `Animal` class back on the first page.

1 public static void main(String[] args) {	
2     Cat nyan = new Animal("Nyan Cat", 5);	(A) <u>compile error</u>
3	
4     Animal a = new Cat("Olivia Benson", 3);	(B) <u>✓</u>
5     a = new Dog("Fido", 7);	(C) <u>✓</u>
6     System.out.println(a.greet());	(D) <u>Fido: woof!</u>
7     a.playFetch();	(E) <u>compile error</u>
8	
9     Dog d1 = a;	(F) _____
10    Dog d2 = (Dog) a;	(G) _____
11    d2.playFetch();	(H) _____
12 <u>(Dog)</u> a.playFetch();	(I) _____
13	
14    Animal imposter = new Cat("Pedro", 12);	(J) _____
15    Dog fakeDog = (Dog) imposter;	(K) _____
16	
17    Cat failImposter = new Cat("Jimmy", 21);	(L) _____
18    Dog failDog = (Dog) failImposter;	(M) _____
19 }	

## 4 Bonus: An Exercise in Inheritance Misery

Cross out any lines that cause compile or runtime errors. What does the main program output after removing those lines?

Moral of the story: Fields become hidden when you redefine them in the subclass. If possible, you should avoid doing so or else your code may become confusing.

```
1 class A {
2     int x = 5;
3     public void m1() {System.out.println("Am1-> " + x);}
4     public void m2() {System.out.println("Am2-> " + this.x);}
5     public void update() {x = 99;}
6 }
7 class B extends A {
8     int x = 10;
9     public void m2() {System.out.println("Bm2-> " + x);}
10    public void m3() {System.out.println("Bm3-> " + super.x);}
11    public void m4() {System.out.print("Bm4-> "); super.m2();}
12 }
13 class C extends B {
14     int y = x + 1;
15     public void m2() {System.out.println("Cm2-> " + super.x);}
16     public void m3() {System.out.println("Cm3-> " + super.super.x);}
17     public void m4() {System.out.println("Cm4-> " + y);}
18     public void m5() {System.out.println("Cm5-> " + super.y);}
19 }
20 class D {
21     public static void main (String[] args) {
22         A b0 = new B();
23         System.out.println(b0.x);      (A) _____
24         b0.m1();                       (B) _____
25         b0.m2();                       (C) _____
26         b0.m3();                       (D) _____
27
28         B b1 = new B();
29         b1.m3();                       (E) _____
30         b1.m4();                       (F) _____
31
32         A c0 = new C();
33         c0.m1();                       (G) _____
34
35         A a1 = (A) c0;
36         C c2 = (C) a1;
37         c2.m4();                       (H) _____
38         ((C) c0).m3();                 (I) _____
39
40         b0.update();
41         b0.m1();                       (J) _____
42     }
43 }
```