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M2 (b) - Types and Polymorphism

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Logistics

- Sign up the Lab Test
 - You have to sign up Lab Test 1 by the end of this Friday
 - Reference the instruction on MyCourses
- No lecture next Tuesday

Java Comparable<T> Interface

• This interface imposes a total ordering on the objects of each class that implements it.

```
public interface Comparable<T>
{
    int compareTo(T o);
}
Generics: mechanism that takes type as parameter
```

Specification of Comparable<T>

- Compares this object with the specified object for order.
- Returns a negative integer, zero, or a positive integer as this object is less than, equal to, or greater than the specified object.
- Also properties of implementor needs to ensure, for example:

(x.compareTo(y)>0 && y.compareTo(z)>0) implies x.compareTo(z)>0

```
Client
if(object1.compareTo(object2) >0) /*...*/
```

Implements Comparable<T>

```
public interface Comparable<T>
{
    int compareTo(T o);
}    Collections.sort(aCards);// aCards is a List<Card> instance

public class Card implements Comparable<Card>
{
    ... ...

    @Override
    public int compareTo(Card pCard)
    {
        ... ... return aRank.compareTo(pCard.aRank);
    }
}
```

Objective of this lecture

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Class's interface, Separation of concerns

Programming mechanism:

Java Interface type, Subtype polymorphism

• Design techniques:

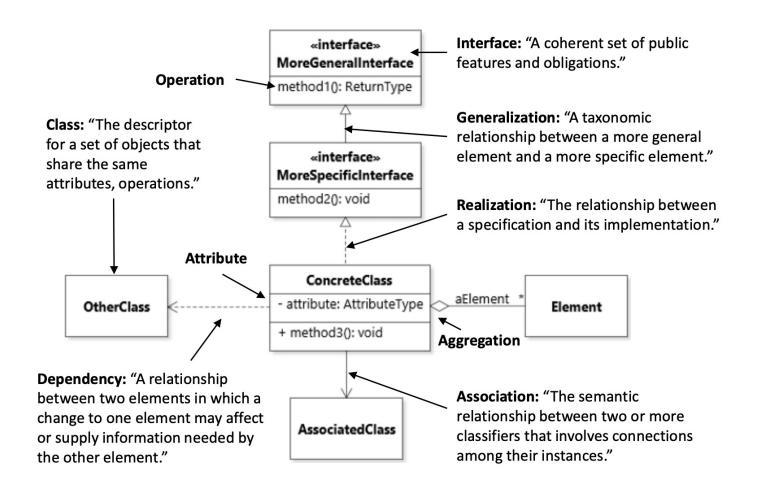
Interface-based behavior specification, UML Class Diagrams

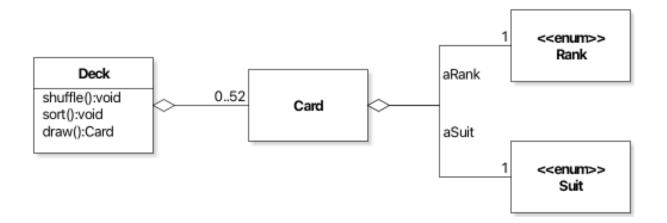
UML Class Diagram

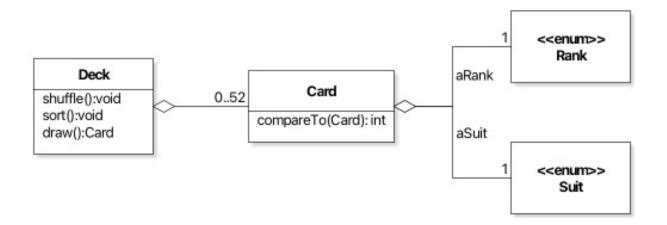
 Represent Type (mainly classes and interfaces) definitions and relations

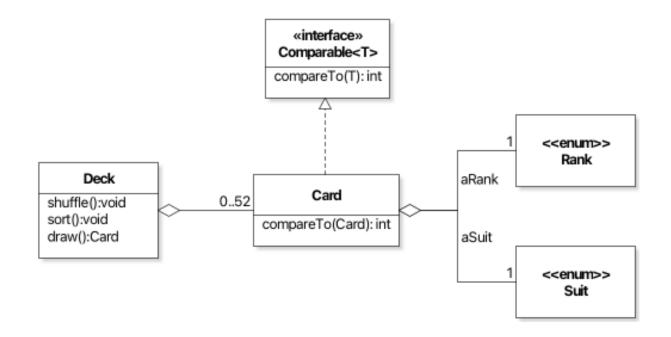
• Static view (cannot show run-time properties)

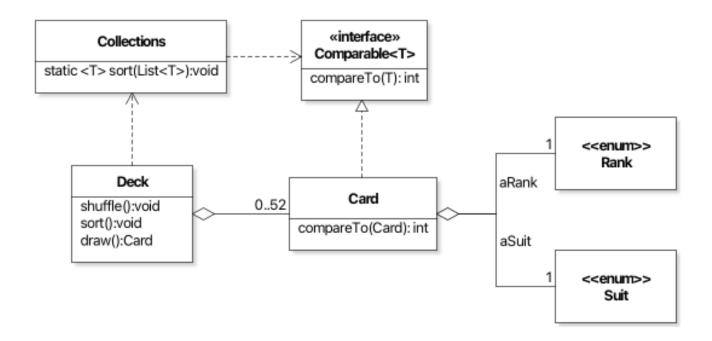
• Tool: JetUML











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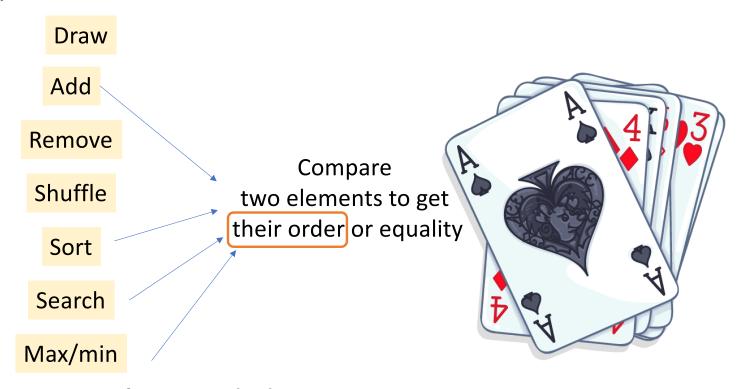
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Separation of Concern

- Concern: anything that matters in providing a solution to a problem
- Prevent information Leakage
- To achieve "orthogonality": changes in one does not affect any of the others.

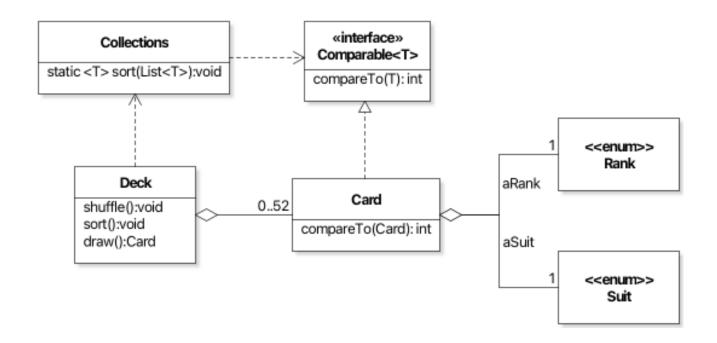
Operation on Card Collections



Information leaking

a design knowledge is reflected in many modules

How did this design apply the principle of Separation of Concern?



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• Design techniques:

Function objects

```
public interface ListOfCard {
    boolean add Card pElement);
    Card get(int index);
}

    public interface ListOfNumbers {
        boolean add (Number pElement);
        Number get(int index);
    }

    public interface ListOfIntegers {
        boolean add Integer pElement);
        Integer get(int index);
}
```

Purpose: make the code reusable for many different types

```
boolean add(Number pElement);
Number get(int index);

public interface List<E> {
   boolean add(E pElement);
   E get(int index);
}
```

List<Card> cards;

Type Argument

Generic Types

- Generic type invocation(Parameterized Type)
- A class or interface whose declaration has one or more type parameter

Convention:

```
E for Element
K for Key
V for Value
T for Type
```

```
Raw Type

Type Parameter/Variable

public interface List<E> {
    boolean add(E pElement);
    E get(int index);
}
```

Recall Java Comparable<T> Interface

• This interface imposes a total ordering on the objects of each class that implements it.

```
public interface Comparable<T>
{
    int compareTo(T o);
}

public class Card implements Comparable<Card>
{
    @Override
    public int compareTo(Card pCard)
    {
        ...
    }
}
```

Activity 1: Design a generic class that represents a pair of objects with the same type.

```
public class Pair<T>
{
```

```
public class Pair<T>
{
    final private T aFirst;
    final private T aSecond;

public Pair(T pFirst, T pSecond)
{
    aFirst = pFirst;
    aSecond = pSecond;
}

public T getFirst() { return aFirst; }
    public T getSecond() { return aSecond; }
}
```

```
Pair<Card> pair =
    new Pair<>(new Card(Rank.FIVE, Suit.CLUBS),
    new Card(Rank.FOUR, Suit.CLUBS));
Card card1 = pair.getFirst();
```

Type Inferred by Compiler

- Generic Method
 - A method that takes type parameters

emptySet method in java.util.Collections:

Activity 2:

Write a static generic method that add elements of Pair in any type to a collection of the same type.

}

```
Interface Collection < E >
public class Pair<T>
                                         boolean add(E e)
   final private T aFirst;
   final private T aSecond;
   public Pair(T pFirst, T pSecond)
     aFirst = pFirst;
     aSecond = pSecond;
   public T getFirst() { return aFirst; }
   public T getSecond() { return aSecond; }
```

Activity 2

Write a generic method that add elements of Pair in any type to a collection of the same type.

```
/*
    * Add the elements of type T stored in Pair to a Collection of Type T
    * @pre pair !=null && collection != null
    * @pre pair.getFirst()!=null && pair.getSecond()!=null
    * @post collection.contains(pair.getFirst()) && collection.contains(pair.getSecond())
    *
    * @see Pair
    */
    static <T> void fromPairToCollection(Pair<T> pair, Collection<T> collection) {
        /* assertion on pre conditions*/
        collection.add(pair.getFirst());
        collection.add(pair.getSecond());
        /* assertion on post conditions*/
}
```

Adding Restriction on Type Variables

```
public class Pair<T>
{
    final private T aFirst;
    final private T aSecond;

public Pair(T pFirst, T pSecond)
{
    aFirst = pFirst;
    aSecond = pSecond;
}

public T getFirst() { return aFirst; }
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}
```

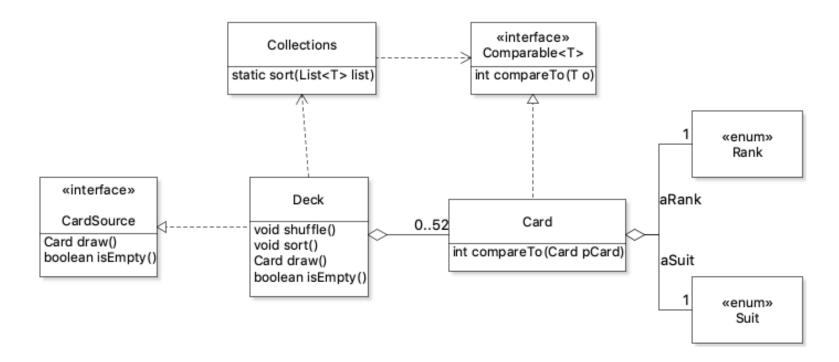
Adding Restriction on Type Variables

```
public class Pair<T extends Deck>
                                          Type can only be Deck
                                          or its subtype
   final private T aFirst;
   final private T aSecond;
   public Pair(T pFirst, T pSecond)
     aFirst = pFirst;
     aSecond = pSecond;
   public T getFirst() { return aFirst; }
   public T getSecond() { return aSecond; }
   public boolean isTopCardSame()
                                              call methods of Deck
       Card topCardInFirst = aFirst draw();
       Card topCardInSecond = aSecond.draw();
       return topCardInFirst.equals(topCardInSecond);
   }
```

Generic Method With Type Bound

```
static <T extends Deck>
   void fromPairToCollection(Pair<T> pair, Collection<T> collection) {}
```

Back to the sort method for comparable types



Back to the sort method for comparable types

• In java.util.collections

```
public static <T extends Comparable<? super T>> void sort(List<T> list)

class Card implements Comparable<Card> {...}

class FancyCard extends Card {...}

    List<FancyCard> fancyCardList = new ArrayList<>();
    Collections.sort(fancyCardList);
```

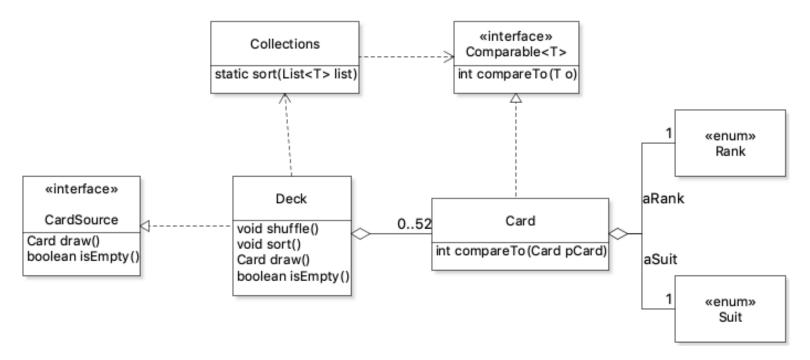
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How to support more than one strategy to compare cards?

Activity 3

Design a
UniversalComarator
that can compare two
cards with more than
one strategies
including by rank,
suit, reversed rank,
suit first then rank.



```
public class UniversalComparator {
   public enum ComparisonStrategy {ByRank, BySuit, ByRankThenSuit}
   ComparisonStrategy aStrategy;
   public UniversalComparator(ComparisonStrategy pStrategy) {
        aStrategy = pStrategy;
   }
   public int compare(Card c1, Card c2) {
        switch (aStrategy) {
            case ByRank:
                return compareByRank(c1, c2);
            case BySuit:
                return compareBySuit(c1, c2);
            case ByRankThenSuit:
                return compareByRankThenSuit(c1, c2);
            default:
                throw new AssertionError(this);
        }
   }
   private int compareBySuit(Card c1, Card c2) {
```

Recall Polymorphism

Can we do the same thing for the compare strategy?

Recall Polymorphism

Java Comparator Interface

Interface Comparator<T>

```
public int compare(T o1, T o2)
```

Compares its two arguments for order. Returns a negative integer, zero, or a positive integer as the first argument is less than, equal to, or greater than the second.

ByRank Comparator

```
public class ByRankComparator implements Comparator<Card> {
    @Override
    public int compare(Card pCard1, Card pCard2) {
        return pCard1.getRank().compareTo(pCard2.getRank());
    }
}
```

BySuit Comparator

```
public class BySuitComparator implements Comparator<Card>
{
    @Override
    public int compare(Card pCard1, Card pCard2) {
        return pCard1.getSuit().compareTo(pCard2.getSuit());
    }
}
```

Another sort method provided by Java Collections

• In java.util.collections

```
public static <T> void sort(List<T> list, Comparator<? super T> c)

Collections.sort(aCards new ByRankComparator());

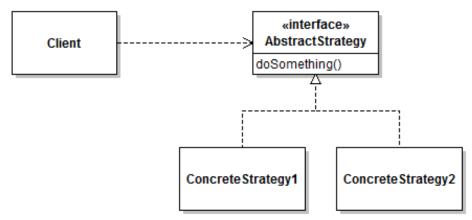
List<Card>
```

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Strategy Design Pattern

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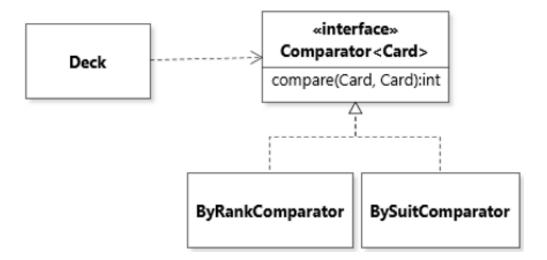


Algorithms are appropriate at different times

New Algorithms need to be introduced when necessary

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Is the function is only used once?

Should the function have state?

Does the function need to access the private field?

Anonymous Class

• An inner class that is declared and instantiated at the same time.

Anonymous Class for Function Object

```
public class ByRankComparator implements Comparator<Card> {
    @Override
    public int compare(Card pCard1, Card pCard2) {
        return pCard1.getRank().compareTo(pCard2.getRank());
    }
}

Collections.sort(aCards, new ByRankComparator());

Interface to implement or class to extend

Collections.sort(aCards, new Comparator<Card>() {
        public int compare(Card pCard1, Card pCard2) {
            return pCard1.getRank().compareTo(pCard2.getRank());
        }
    });
```

Enable access to the private field

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Java Nested Classes

- Classes defined within another class
 - Static member class
 - Non-static member class
 - Local class
 - Anonymous class

Inner class

Static Member Class

```
class OuterClass {
    ...
    static class StaticMemberClass {
        ...
    }
}

OuterClass.StaticMemberClass nestedObject
```

= new OuterClass.StaticMemberClass();

Non-Static Member Class

Local Class

• An inner class that is defined in a block

Anonymous Class

• An inner class that is declared and instantiated at the same time.

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