

# Large-Scale and Multi-Structured Databases

## ***JAVA Recap***

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# Objective of this Module

- Let the student to think and remember his/her skills about programming in JAVA.
- Indeed, it is assumed that the student is able to work with JAVA.
- We will recall some basics elements of JAVA.
- Students will be asked to solve some programming exercises using an IDE (Eclipse or NetBeans).

# Some Salient Characteristics of Java

- Java is ***platform independent***: the same program can run on any correctly implemented Java system
- Java is ***object-oriented***:
  - Structured in terms of ***classes***, which group data with operations on that data
  - Can construct new classes by ***extending*** existing ones
- Java designed as
  - A ***core language*** plus
  - A rich collection of ***commonly available packages***
- Java can be embedded in Web pages

# Program Structure

- Typical Java program consists of
  - *User* written *classes*
  - Java Application Programming Interface (**API**) classes
- Java application
  - Has one class with a *main* method
- Java program basic elements:
  - Packages
  - Classes
  - Data fields
  - Methods

# Java Processing and Execution

- Begin with Java ***source code*** in text files:  
**Model.java**
- A Java source code compiler (**javac**) produces Java ***byte code***
  - Outputs one file per class: **Model.class**
  - May be standalone or part of an IDE
- A ***Java Virtual Machine*** loads and executes class files (**java**)
  - May compile them to native code (e.g., x86) internally

# Classes and Objects

- The **class** is the unit of programming
- A Java program is a **collection of classes**
  - Each class definition (usually) in its own **.java** file
  - *The file name must match the class name*
- A class describes **objects (instances)**
  - Describes their common characteristics
  - Thus all the instances have these same characteristics
- These characteristics are:
  - **Data fields** for each object
  - **Methods** (operations) that do work on the objects

# Classes and Objects

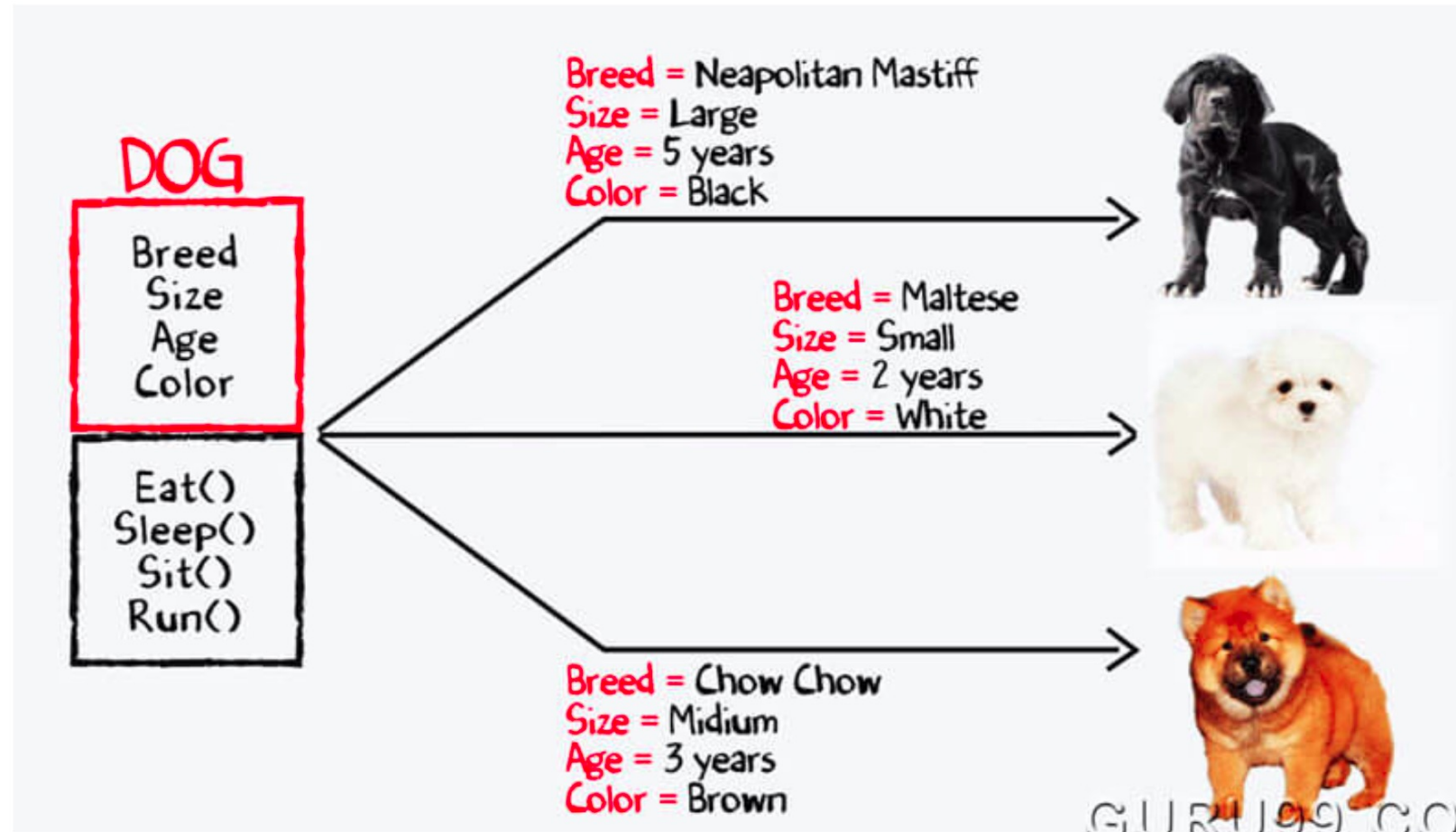


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# Classes and Objects

```
// Class Declaration
public class Dog {
    // Instance Variables
    String breed;
    String size;
    int age;
    String color;

    // method 1
    public String getInfo() {
        return ("Breed is: "+breed+" Size is:"+size+" Age is:"+age+" color is: "+color);
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Dog maltese = new Dog();
        maltese.breed="Maltese";
        maltese.size="Small";
        maltese.age=2;
        maltese.color="white";
        System.out.println(maltese.getInfo());
    }
}
```

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# Polymorphism

Polymorphism is the ability to create a variable, a function, or an object that has more than one form.

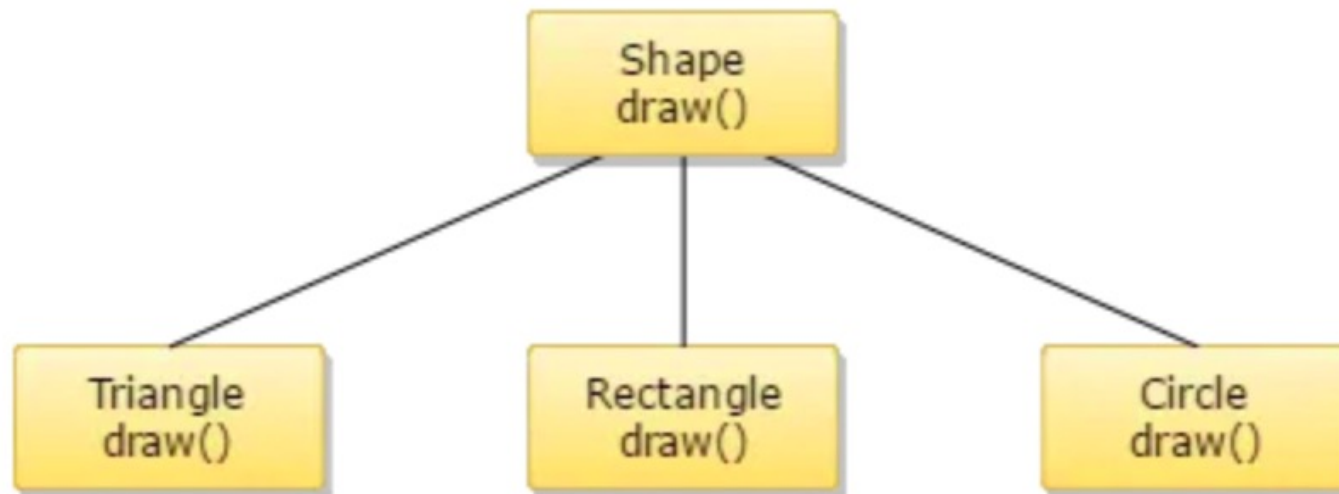


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# Polymorphism

```
public class Animal {
    public void makeNoise()
    {
        System.out.println("Some sound");
    }
}

class Dog extends Animal{
    public void makeNoise()
    {
        System.out.println("Bark");
    }
}

class Cat extends Animal{
    public void makeNoise()
    {
        System.out.println("Meawoo");
    }
}
```

```
public class Demo
{
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Animal a1 = new Cat();
        a1.makeNoise(); //Prints Meawoo

        Animal a2 = new Dog();
        a2.makeNoise(); //Prints Bark
    }
}
```

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# Grouping Classes: The Java API

- API = *Application Programming Interface*
- Java = small core + extensive collection of packages
- A ***package*** consists of some related Java classes
- The ***import*** statement tells the compiler to make available classes and methods of another package
- A ***main*** method indicates where to begin executing a class (if it is designed to be run as a program)

# References and Primitive Data Types

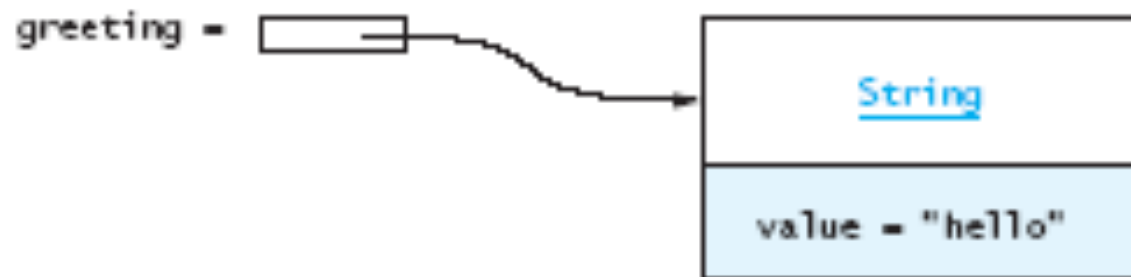
- Java distinguishes two kinds of entities
  - Primitive types
  - Objects
- Primitive-type data is stored in primitive-type variables
- Reference variables store the *address of* an object

# Primitive Data Types

- Represent numbers, characters, boolean values
- Integers: byte, short, int, and long
- Real numbers: float and double
- Characters: char

# Referencing and Creating Objects

- We can **declare reference variables**
  - They reference objects of **specified types**
- Two reference variables can reference **the same object**
- The **new** operator creates an instance of a class
- A **constructor** executes when a new object is created
- Example: **String greeting = "hello";**



# Methods

- A Java method defines a group of statements as performing a particular operation
- **static** indicates a *static* or *class* method
- A method that is not **static** is an *instance* method
- All method arguments are *call-by-value*
  - Primitive type: *value* is passed to the method
  - Method may modify local copy **but** will not affect caller's value
  - Object reference: *address of object* is passed
  - Change to reference variable does not affect caller
  - **But** operations can affect the object, visible to caller

# Exercise 0

- Download your preferred IDE (include MAVEN) and install it
  - Eclipse: <https://www.eclipse.org/>
  - IntelliJ IDEA: <https://www.jetbrains.com/idea/>
  - Netbeans: <https://netbeans.org/>
- Create a Java Project
- Write and Run your First “Hello World!” program.



# Exercise 0

## *How long it Takes?*

# Exercise 1

*Write a Java program that takes three numbers from the user and prints the greatest number.*

Input Data:

Input the 1st number: 25

Input the 2nd number: 78

Input the 3rd number: 87

Expected Output:

The greatest: 87

# Exercise 2

Write a Java method to count all lowercase vowels in a string.

Input Data:

Input the string: unipi

Expected Output:

Number of Vowels in the string: 3

# Exercise 3

Write a Java program to retrieve elements (at a specified index) from a given array list.

Test Data:

Consider to create the following array list[Red, Green, Orange, White, Black] and to retrieve the first and the third element

Expected Output:

First element: Red

Third element: Orange

# Exercise 4 (homework)

Write a Java program that takes N numbers from the user and prints the greatest number. The first line specify the N numbers to read and the second a list of number separated by a white space.

Input:

6

25 78 87 154 -45 2023

Output :

2023

# Exercise 5 (homework)

Given a list L of  $N - 1$  numbers, where:

- $1 \leq L[i] \leq N$
- $0 \leq i < N - 1$

Find the missing number. The first line specify the value of N.

Input:

6

1 5 6 3 2

Output :

4

# Exercise 6 (homework)

Given a value  $N$ , compute its Fibonacci.

Input:

56

Output :

225851433717

Try to implement it with/without using recursion...

# Suggested Readings

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/>

*Mitsunori Ogiyama, Fundamentals of Java Programming, Springer , 2018*

*Check books on <http://onesearch.unipi.it/>*