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Inheritance

Children and grandchildren

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Inheritance

From General to Specific

- Inheritance is to base an object off of another object
- The class that is the base, which other classes will inherit from is called the **super class**
- The class that is inheriting is the **sub class**



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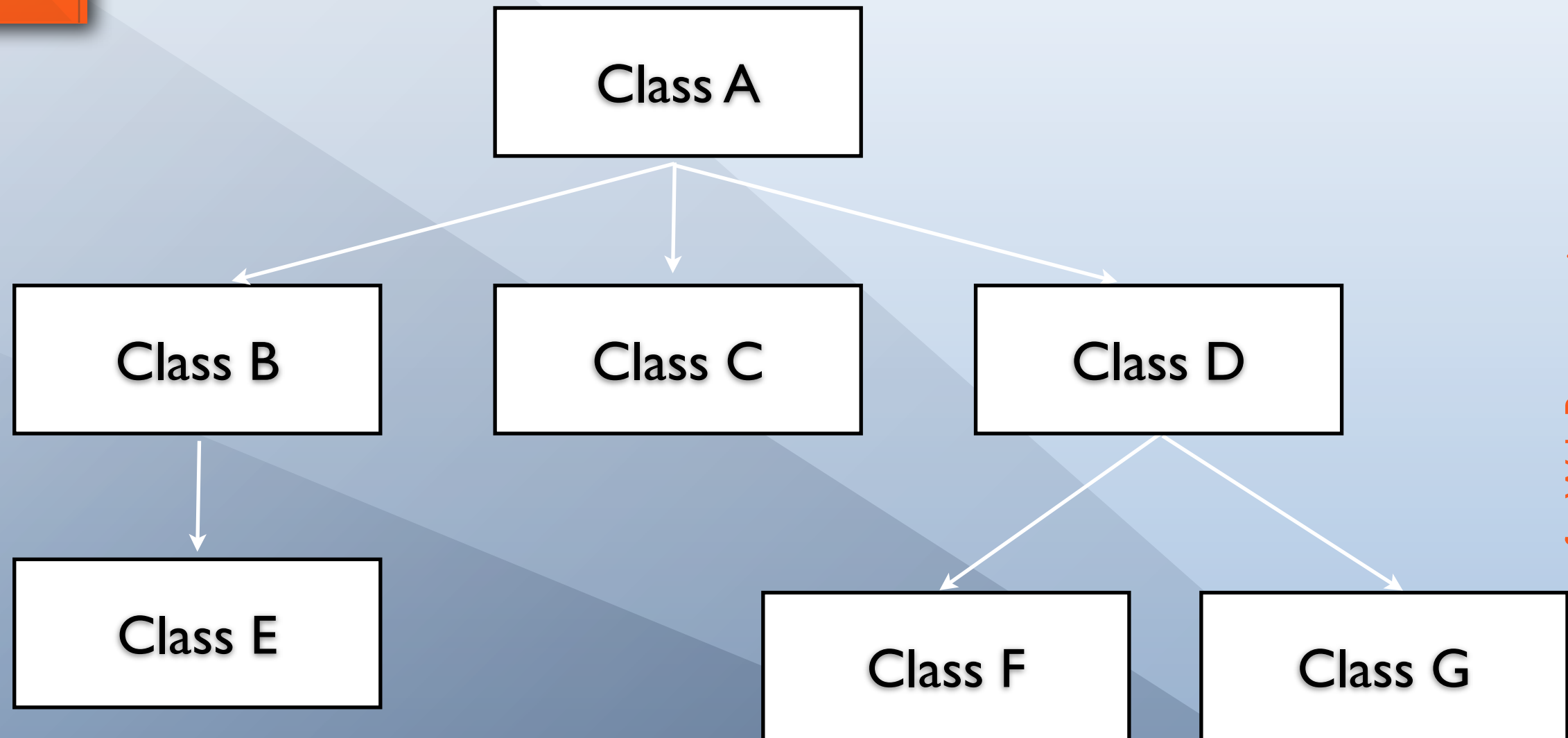
From General to Specific

- Subclasses will *inherit* methods, properties and attributes of the superclass
- Think of the superclass as a “template”
- Go from general to specific



Inheritance

Abstract Example



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Real world analogy

General

Vehicle

Wheeled

Aircraft

Watercraft

Car

Truck

Jetski

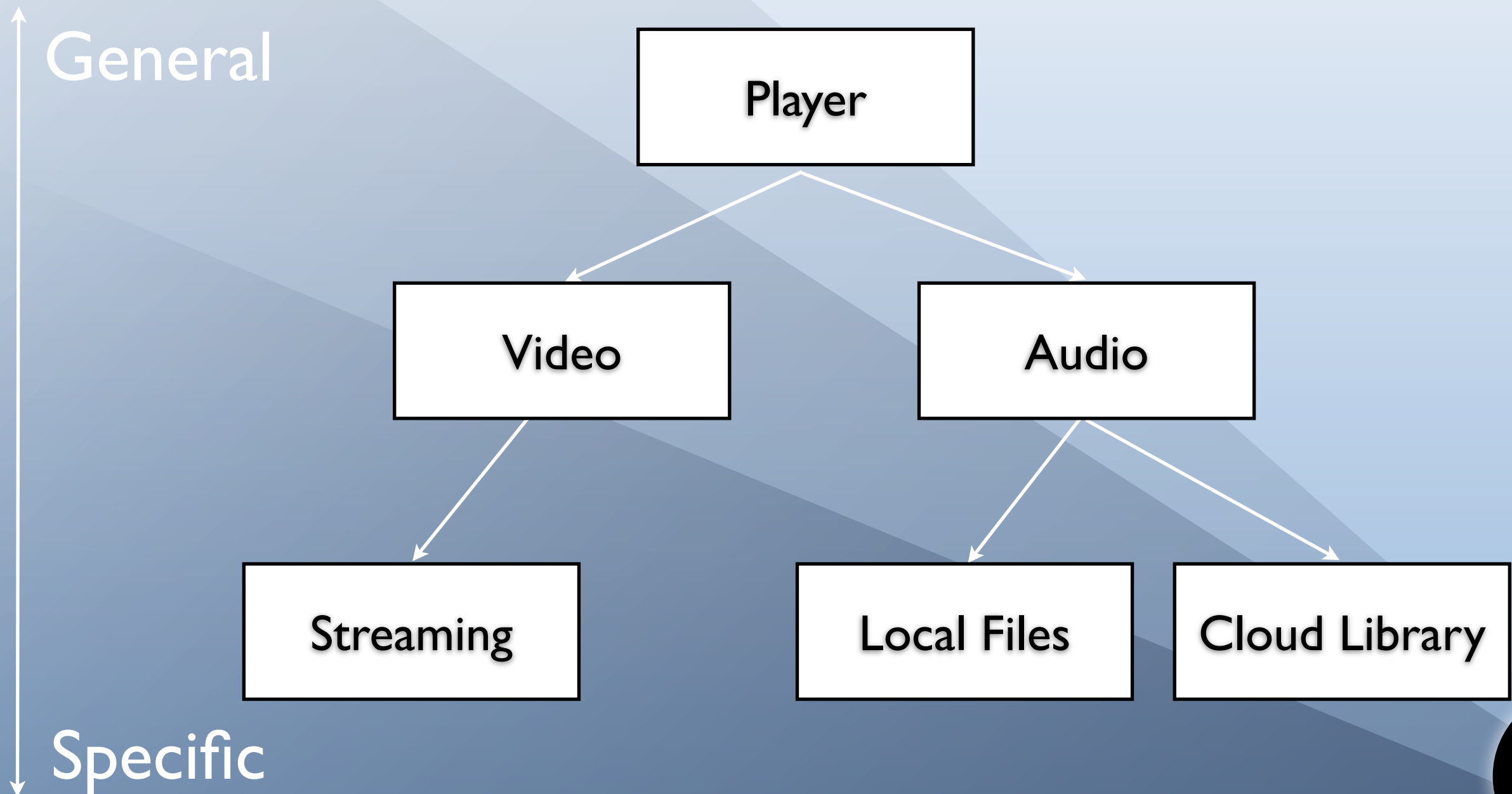
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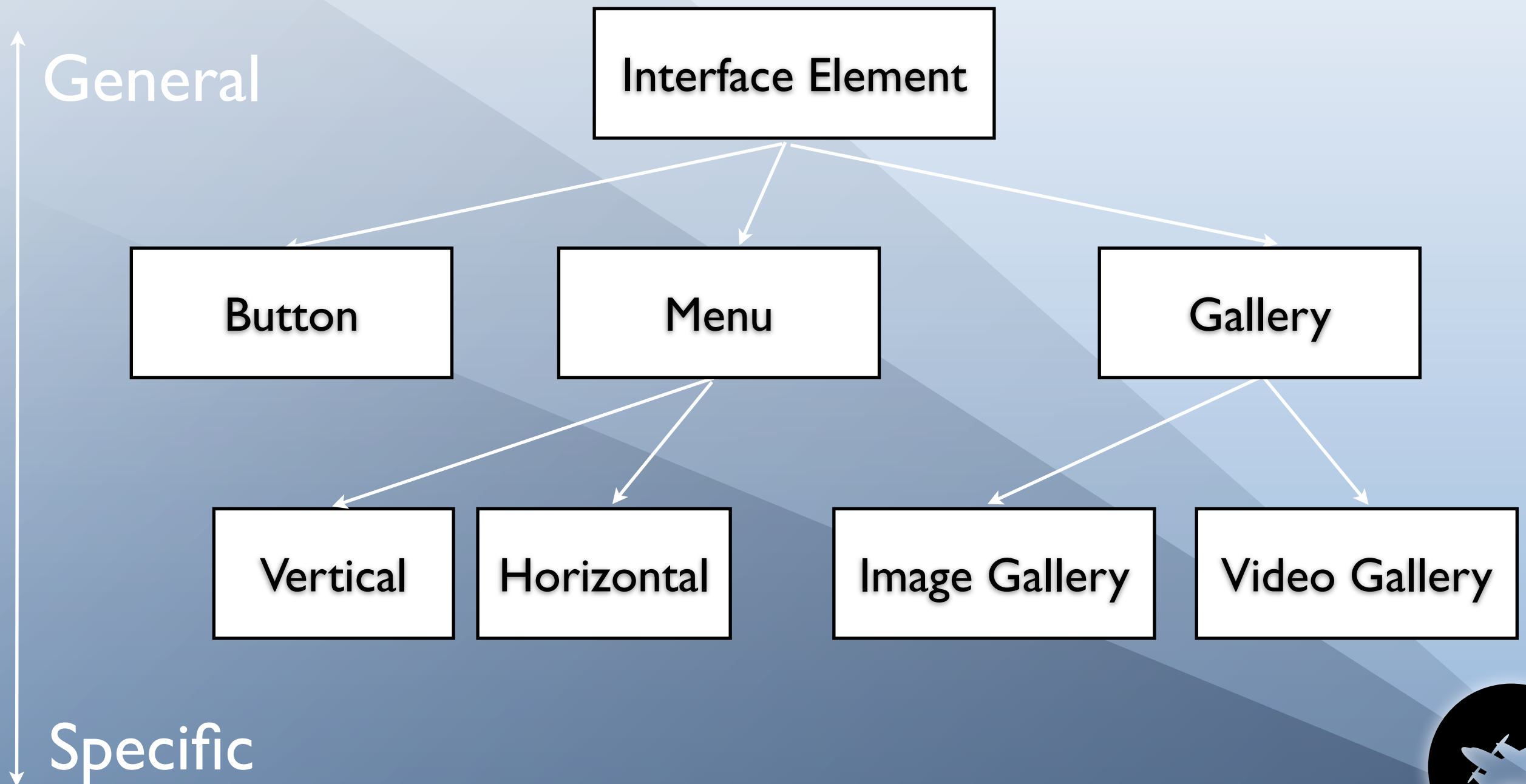
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Litmus Test

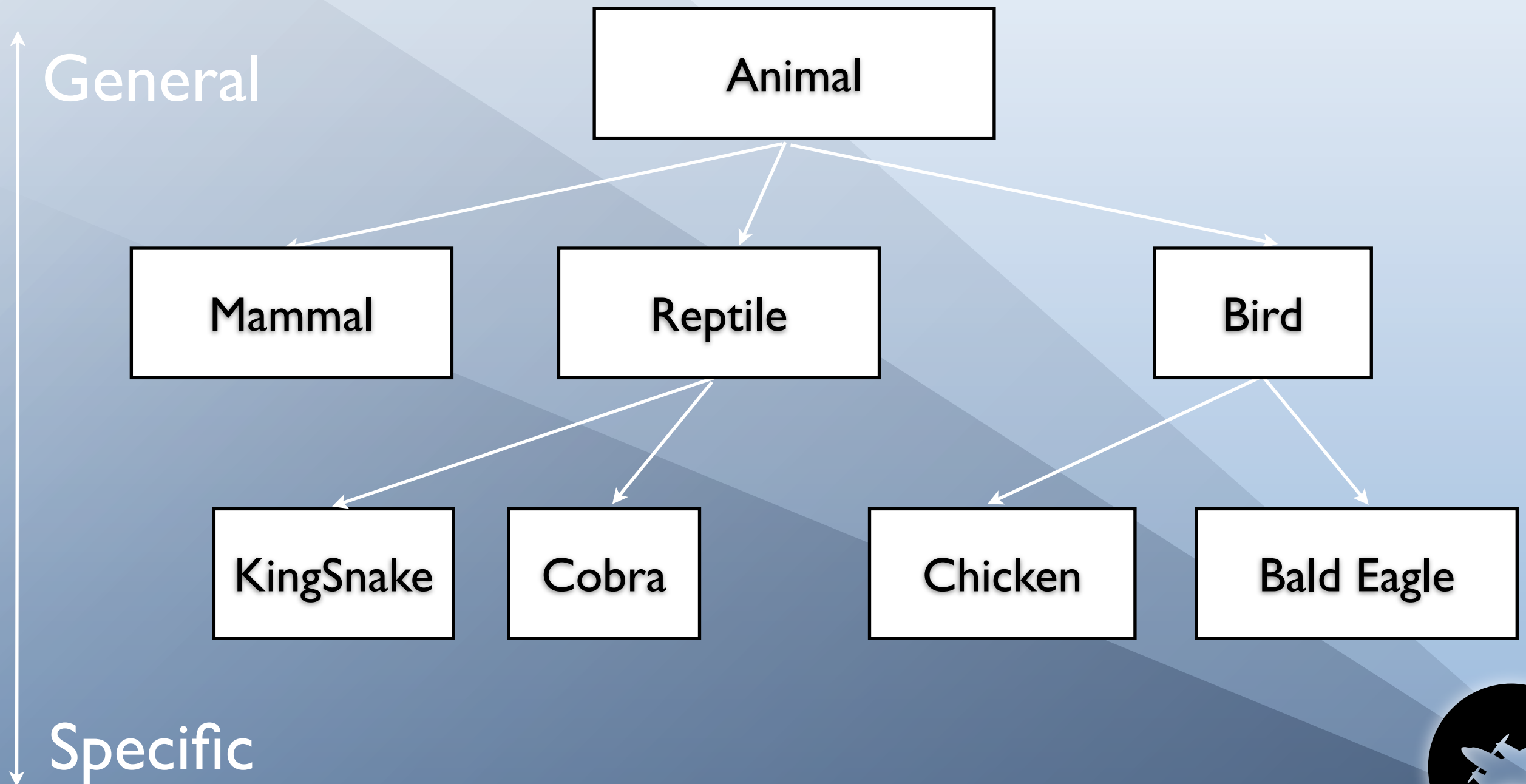
How to know you are doing inheritance right

- _____ IS ALSO A(N) _____
- subclass goes in first blank
- superclass goes in second blank
- Great way to know you are doing it right!



Inheritance

Lions, Tigers and Bears, Oh my!



Inheritance in Python

So, that's what that "object" thing was for!

```
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        self.__label = "Submit"  
        self.__user_name = ""  
  
    @property  
    def label(self):  
        return self.__label  
  
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    def __init__(self):  
        super(EmailButton, self).__init__()  
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Access parent properties, methods and attributes!

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Inheritance Review

So what was all that now?

- Inheritance allows us to use classes as templates for other classes
- _____ IS A(N) _____ litmus test
- In the code:
 - Superclass within parenthesis
 - Invoke superclass's constructor

