

Object-Oriented Programming In Mechatronic Systems

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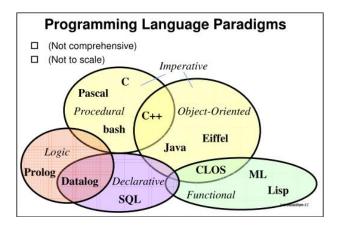






First of all: It is a programming paradigm!

- A programming paradigm can be understood as a style
- There are many languages and several paradigms out there!
- For instance procedural, declarative or functional
- ... and of course: object-oriented programming (OOP), e.g. Java or C++
- Many languages support more then one paradigm (Java too!)



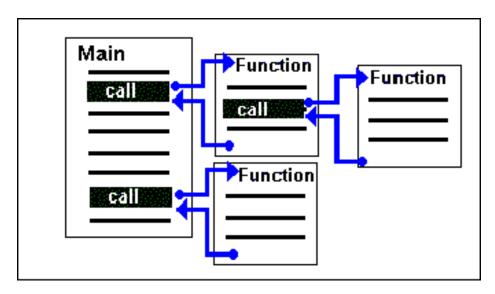






Excurse: Procedural programming

- Core concept: Procedure calls
- Procedures: routines, subroutines or functions
- Contain a series of computational steps to be carried out
- Any procedure can be called during the program's execution
- Including other procedures or itself
- Examples: C or Pascal

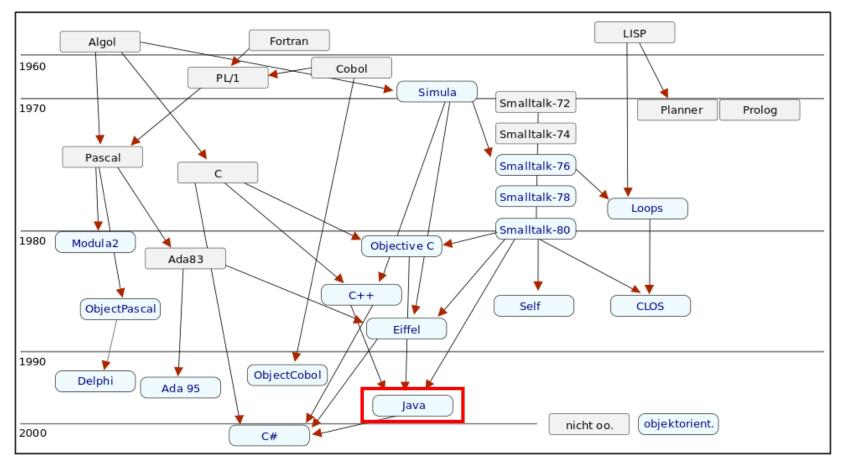








Excurse: Brief history of OOP languages









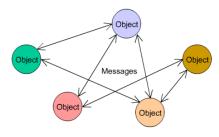
The core concept of OOP is the object!

Real-world objects have **two characteristics**:

- 1. State, e.g. a bicycle could have several states (e.g. gear, speed ...)
- Behavior, e.g. a bicycle could do things and behave differently (e.g. applying breaks)

Motivation for using OOP

- Software objects are conceptually similar to real-world objects
- They store their state in fields and expose their behavior through methods
- Objects communicate with each other by passing "messages"



Interaction of objects via message passing







Motivation for using OOP

- Modularity: Source code can be written and maintained independently
- Information-Hiding: Internal implementation remains hidden from the outside
- Code Re-use: If an object already exists this object can be used by you

OOP vs Procedural Programming

- Procedural programming uses procedures to operate on data structures
- ... while in OOP they are bundled together
- An object operates on its own data structures!
- You can also use the procedural paradigm in Java!

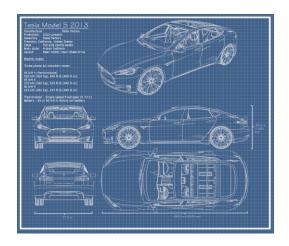


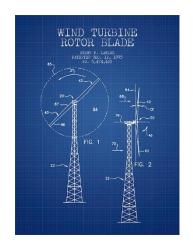


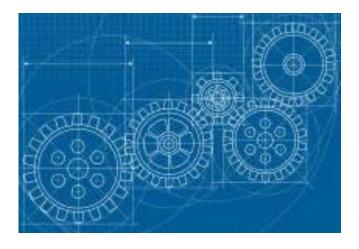


What are classes?

- A template, a blueprint it's not a concrete realization of something!
- Think of a concept!
- And you need a class (the blueprint) before you can create an object













Terminology

- Class: Defines what an object of this class knows (state) and does (behavior)
- Object: An instance of a class (a concrete thing create from the template / blueprint)
- Instance Variables: They represent what an object knows (the state)
- Methods: They represent what an object can do (the behavior)

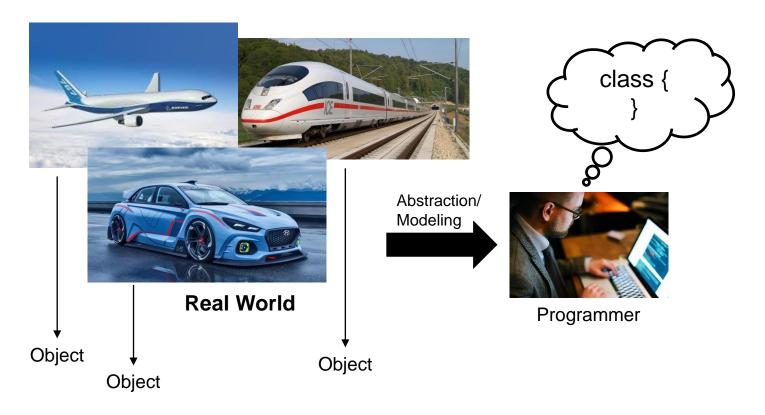
Difference between a class and object

- A class is not an object!
- A class represents a blueprint for an object
- It tells us (or the JVM) how to make objects of a particular class
- Each object made of a class has its own states









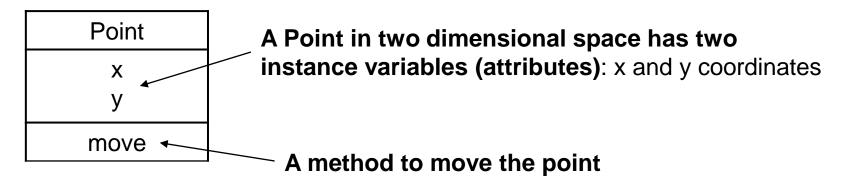
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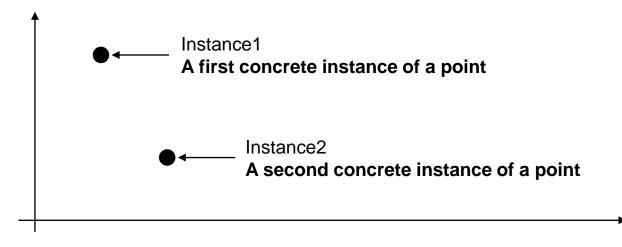






Example: Classes and Objects





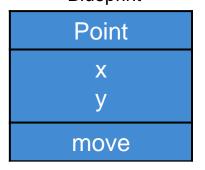


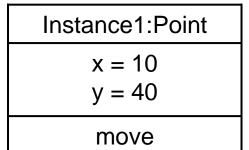


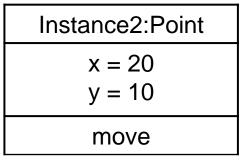


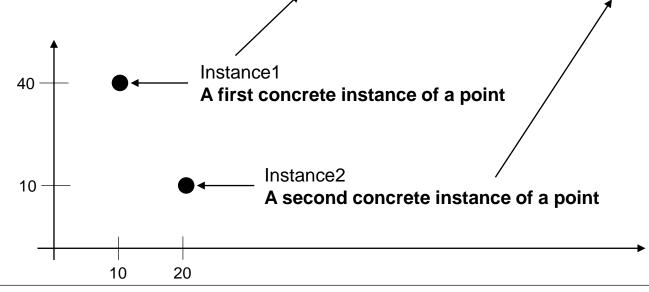
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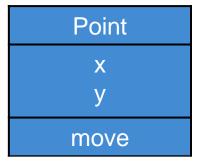






Example: Classes and Objects

Blueprint



10

20

Instance1:Point	
x = 10 $y = 40$	
, move	

Let's move Instance1, by using move
Therefore, we need additional information!

Instance1

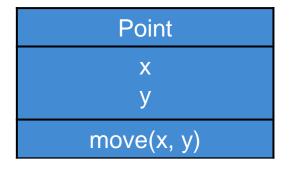
Instance2

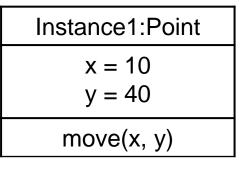


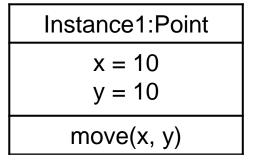




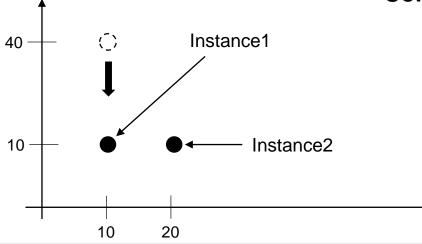
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Concrete call: move(0, -30)

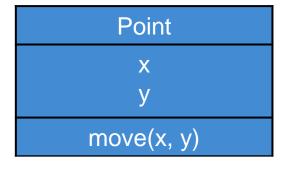






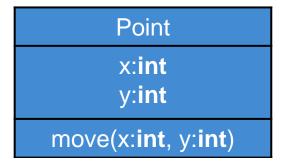


Example: Classes and Objects



We did not specify the type of the attributes and parameters, yet!





Now we have a blueprint to create hundreds and thousand of points

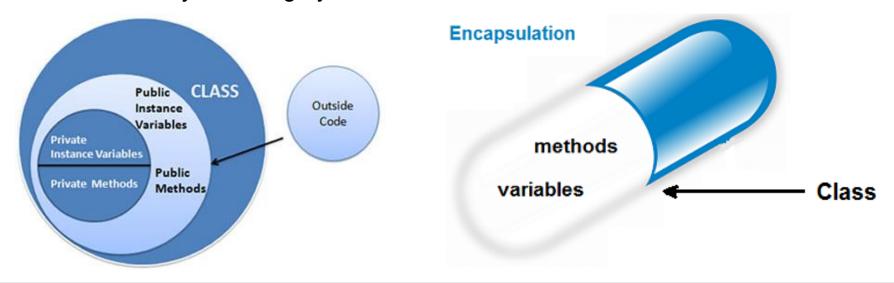






Core Concept I: Data encapsulation

- Encapsulation is the bundling of data with the methods that operate on them
- Remember that in procedural programming this is not the case!
- Also used for hiding the internals of the object from outside view
- Only the object's own methods can operate on it's data
- Protects an object's integrity!



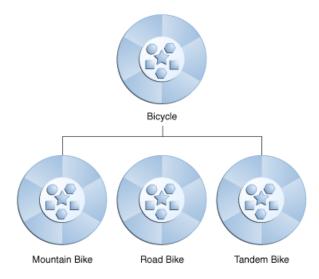






Core Concept II: Inheritance

- Different kinds of objects have a certain amount in common with each other ...
- E.g. mountain bikes and tandems all share the characteristics of bicycles
- ... yet they each define additional features that make them different
- OOP allows classes to inherit commonly state and behavior from other classes:
- Bicycle can be a superclass of the subclasses MountainBike and Tandem





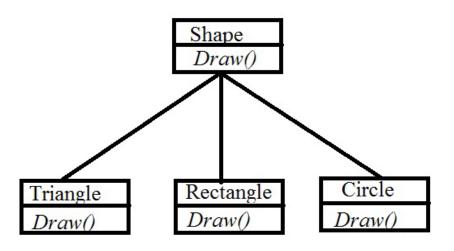




Core Concept III: Polymorphism

- It's a principle from biology
- An organism can have many different forms or stages
- Poly: many (e.g. polygon); Morph: form (e.g. morphology)
- In OOP it allows to provide a single interface to varying entities of the same type





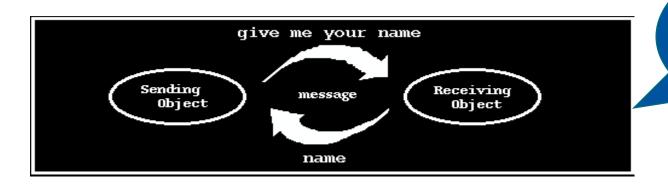






Core Concept IV: Communication between objects

- Objects can communicate with each other
- ... by passing messages!
- One object can get another object to do something
- ... through method calls!
- Call a method and pass it some arguments (i.e. messages) or
- Get something from a method trough its returned value.

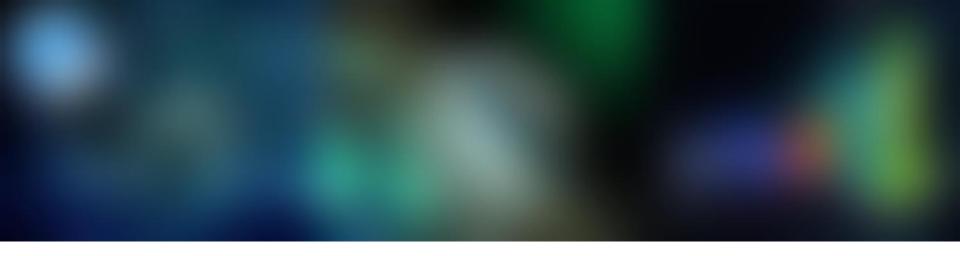


Methods will be covered in detail later this lecture!









OOP in Java







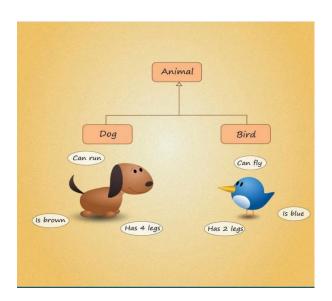
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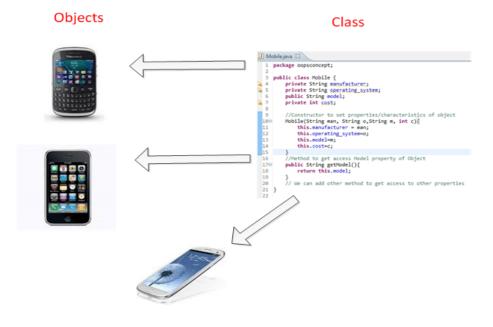
Introduction

- In lecture 1 we have already met a class definition
- How to create objects from it?

Java supports inheritance, encapsulation, polymorphism and message

passing











Creating a class I: A simple example

```
public class Point {
    public int x;
    public int y;

public void move(int delta_x, int delta_y) {
    x = x + delta_x;
    y = y + delta_y;
    }
}
A method
```





Creating a class II: A simple example

```
public class Application {
  public static void main (String[] args)
     Point p1 = new Point();
     p1.x = 10;
                               Set the
     p1.y = 40;
                           corrdinates of p1
     p1.move(0, -30);
                     Call move-method
                          of p1
```

Create a Point object, i.e. create an instance







Creating a class III: A simple example



The new keyword is used for creating instances of classes







Creating a class IV: A simple example

```
public class Application {
  public static void main (String[] args) {
    Point p1 = new Point();

  p1.x = 10;
  p1.y = 40;

  p1.move(0, -30);
}
```



Use the **dot operator** to access public instance variables or methods







Inheritance I

- In Java classes can be derived from other classes ...
- Thereby inheriting fields and methods from those classes
- By using the keyword extends

Terminology

- Subclass: A class derived from an other class
- Subclasses are also know as derived, extended or child classes
- Superclass: The class from which the subclass is derived
- Superclasses are also know as base or parent classes



Classes can be derived from classes that are derived from ...







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Inheritance II

- Every class has one and only one direct superclass
- Except Object which has no superclass (see next slide)
- If no other superclass is given every class is implicitly a subclass of Object

Inheritance III

- Charming idea: Reuse existing classes with desired functionality
- ... by inheriting from them!
- A subclass inherits all members (fields, methods) from it's superclass
- But not its constructors!

For now think of special methods. We'll cover constructors shortly!







Inheritance IV

- A subclass inherits all public and protected members of its parent
- These members can be used in the subclass or replaced or supplemented
- That is you can use fields and methods of the superclass
- You can declare new fields in the subclass (that are not in the superclass)
- Same goes for methods



A subclass does not inherit private members of its parent

public, protected and private are topics of data encapsulation (which will be covered shortly)

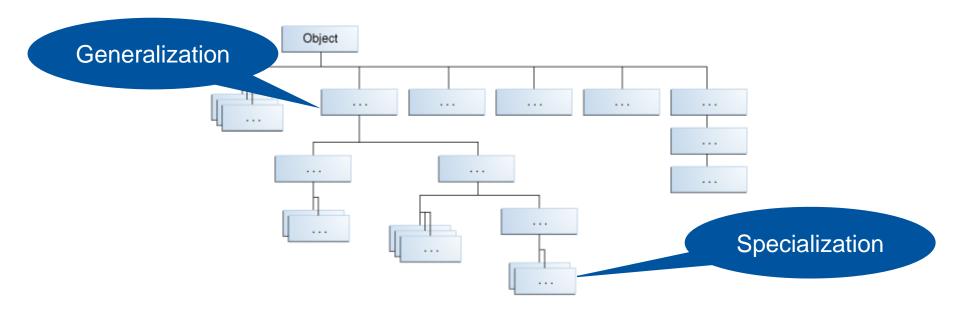






Inheritance V: The class object

- It's on the top of the Java class hierarchy
- It's the most general of all Java classes
- Defines and implements behavior common to all classes

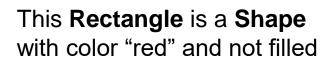


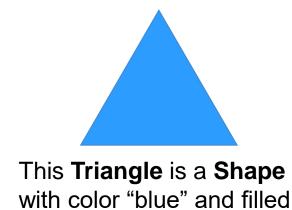






```
public class Shape {
   public String color;
   public boolean filled;
}
```











Rectangle is a subclass of Shape

```
public class Rectangle extends Shape {
  public int x1, y1, x2, y2;
  public int calculateArea() {
    return Math.abs(x2 - x1) * Math.abs(y2 - y1);
  }
}
```

It extends its superclass by a method and four attributes







Triangle is
another subclass
of Shape

```
public class Triangle extends Shape {
   public int x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3;
   public double getSideA() {
      return Math.sqrt (Math.pow(x2 - x1, 2.0) + Math.pow(y2 - y1, 2.0);
   // similar methods to calculate side B and side C
   public double calculateArea() {
       // calculate area by Heron's formula
       double s = 0.5 * (getSideA() + getSideB() + getSideC());
       double area = Math.sqrt(s * (s - getSideA()) * (s - getSideB()) * (s -
          getSideC());
      return area;
```









```
public class ShapeApplication {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
     Rectangle rectangle = new Rectangle();
     rectangle.color = "red";
     rectangle.x1 = 0;
     rectangle.x2 = 10;
     rectangle.y1 = 0;
     rectangle.y2 = 5;
     System.out.println("Area of rectangle: " +
        rectangle.calculateArea());
```







```
public class ShapeApplication {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
     Triangle triangle = new Triangle();
     triangle.color = "green";
     triangle.x1 = 0;
     triangle.x2 = 0;
     triangle.x3 = 10;
     triangle.y1 = 0;
     triangle.y2 = 5;
     triangle.y3 = 0;
     System.out.println("Area of triangle: " +
        triangle.calculateArea());
```





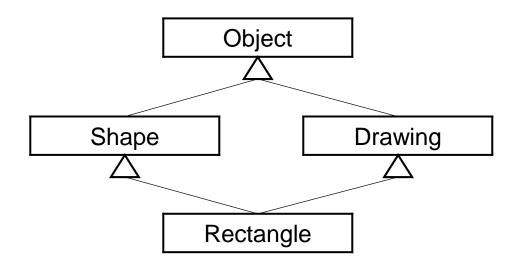


Inheritance VI: Inheriting from multiple classes?

public class Rectangle extends Shape extends Drawing {



That's not allowed in Java! "Deadly Diamond of Death"









Data encapsulation in Java

- Remember: Encapsulation wraps data and code together as a single unit and
- The variables of a class will be hidden from other classes and
- Can be accessed only through the methods of their current class
- In Java: Declare the variables of a class as private
- And provide public methods to modify and view the variable values
- Again: Encapsulation protects an object's integrity!

Data encapsulation: Tips on choosing the access level

- Use the most restrictive access level that makes sense for a particular member
- Use private unless you have a good reason not to
- Avoid public fields except for constants







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Data encapsulation: Access modifiers

- Java has access modifiers for controlling access to members of a class
- There are two level of access control
- At the top/class level: public, or package-private (no explicit modifier)
- At the member level: public, private, protected, or package-private

Modifier	Class	Package	Subclass	World
public	Υ	Y	Y	Υ
protected	Υ	Y	Y	N
no modifier	Υ	Υ	N	N
private	Υ	N	N	N

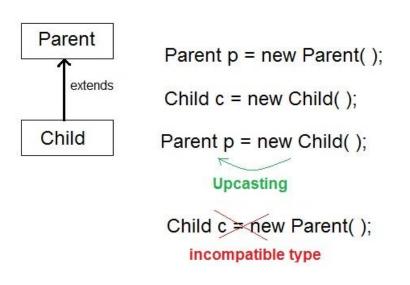


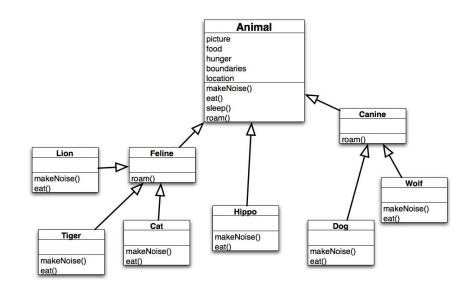




Polymorphism in Java

- Polymorphism: the reference type can be a superclass of the actual object type!
- Anything that extends the declared reference variable type can be assigned ...
- ... to the reference variable, but not the other way round (Downcasting!)
- You can have also have polymorphic arguments (and return types) for methods











```
public class ShapeApplication {
  public static void main(String[] 
       Shape shape1 = new Rectangle();
       Shape shape2 = new Triangle();
       shape color = "red";
              or = "green";
       shape2
            Hence we can store
           them in a variables of
               type Shape
```

Each
Rectangle is a
Shape

Also each
Triangle is a
Shape







```
public class ShapeApplication {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       Shape shape1 = new Rectangle();
       Shape shape2 = new Triangle();
                                             But we only see the
       shape1.color = "red";
                                            instance variables and
       shape2.color = "green";
                                             methods of a Shape
       <del>shapel.calculateArea();</del>
                                       Hence, you cannot
                                        call the method
                                        calculateArea
```







```
public class ShapeApplication {
                                        Since we know shape1
                                        contains a Rectangle,
  public static void main (String
                                       we can use explicit casts
     Shape shape1 = new Rectangle();
     Shape shape2 = new Triangle();
     Rectangle rectangle = (Rectangle) shape1;
     rectangle.x1 = 0;
     rectangle.x2 = 10;
     rectangle.y1 = 0;
     rectangle.y2 = 5;
     System.out.println("Area of rectangle: " +
        rectangle.calculateArea());
```







```
public class ShapeApplication {
   public static void main (String
                                         Same is valid for shape2
      Shape shape1 = new Rectangle (),
      Shape shape2 = new Triangle();
      Triangle triangle = (Triangle) shape2;
     triangle.x1 = 0;
     triangle.x2 = 0;
     triangle.x3 = 10;
     triangle.y1 = 0;
     triangle.y2 = 5;
     triangle.y3 = 0;
      System.out.println("Area of triangle: " +
        triangle.calculateArea());
```







OOP in Java

Polymorphism: Arguments

```
public class ShapeDrawer{
  public void draw(Shape s) {
    // some fancy code to draw shapes
  }
}
```

Any subclass of Shape allowed



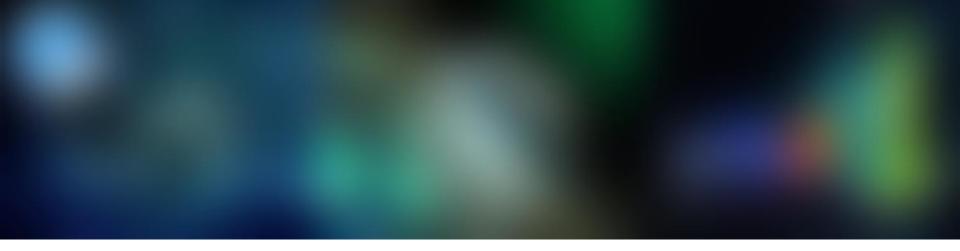
With polymorphism you can write very flexible code!

The above example will work with any new subclass of Shape, e.g. class Triangle!









Methods: A Closer Look







Methods: A Closer Look

Overview

- Methods: They represent what an object does (the behavior)
- Methods use instance variables
- They can have parameters
- They must have an return type (which can be void)

A short example (for a void method with no parameters)

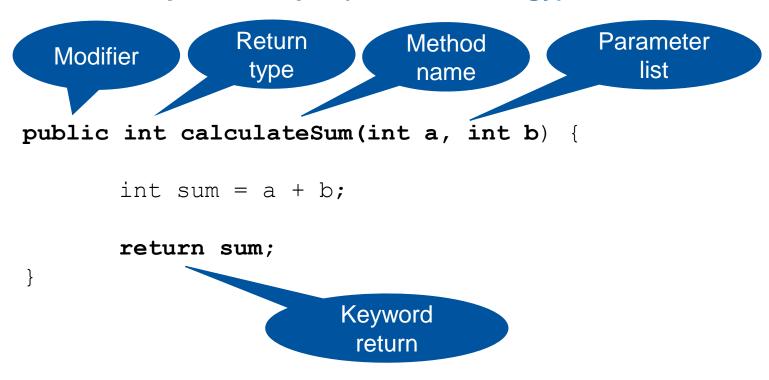
```
public void printHelloASE() {
    System.out.println("Hello ASE");
}
```







A more complex example (and terminology)









Method declarations have six components

- Modifiers: such as public, private and others
- Return type: data type of the value returned by the method (or void if no return)
- Method names: see below
- Parameter list: comma-delimited list of input parameters, preceded by data type
- Exception list: discussed in lecture 3
- Method body: methods code including local variables

Conventions for naming methods

- Names should be a verb in lowercase...
- ... or a multi-word name that begins with a verb in lowercase
- Examples: run, runFast, isEmpty, getFinalData, setEngineSpeed



Java is always pass-by-value!







Method signatures

- The method's name and the parameter types form the signature
- Example: calculateSum(int, int)
- The return type is not part of the signature

Overloading methods

- Java can distinguish between methods with different signatures
- Methods within a class can have the same name
- But only if they have different parameter lists!
- They are differentiated by the number and type of the arguments passed to them
- You can not declare two methods with same signature but different return type!
- Examples: draw(String s), draw(int i), draw(int i, double f)







Excurse: Getters and Setters

- Are ordinary methods, i.e. they take parameters and return a value
- They let you get and set things, mostly instance variables
- A Getter sends back the value of whatever is supposed to get
- A Setter takes an argument and uses it to set the value of an instance variable

```
public class Shape {
    private String color;
    public String getColor() {
        return color;
    }
    public void setColor(String newColor) {
        color = newColor;
    }
}
```







Methods: A Closer Look

Recursive Calls

- It's a concept which allows a method to call itself!
- Remember the calculation of the factorial? Now we'll use recursion!



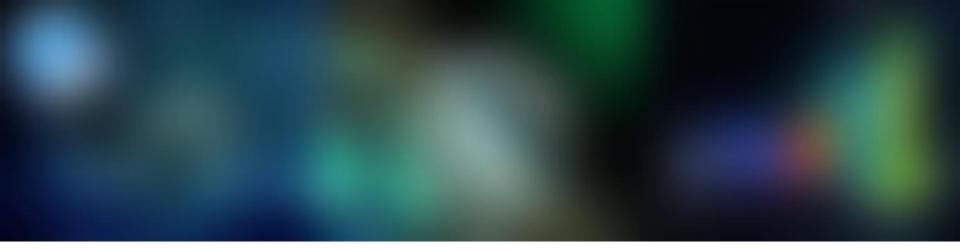
$$fact(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0\\ n \cdot fact(n-1) & \text{if } n > 0 \end{cases}$$

```
public int factorial(int n)
{
    if (n == 0)
       return 1;
    else
      return n * factorial(n-1);
}
```















Constructors I

- A class contains constructors that are invoked to create objects
- They are there to instantiate a class!
- Constructors look similar to methods ...
- ... except that they use the same name as the class and have no return type!

```
public class Rectangle extends Shape {
   public Rectangle(int aX1, int aY1, int aX2, int aY2){
      x1 = aX1;
      y1 = aY1;
      ...
   }
}
```







Constructors II

- Constructors run before the object can be assigned to a reference!
- It runs every time you invoke new
- If you don't write a constructor for your class the compiler writes one for you ...
- ... which is called the default constructor!

```
public class Rectangle extends Shape {
    public Rectangle() {
        That would be written
        by the compiler!
}
```







Constructors III

- Constructors are not inherited by the subclass!
- You can have multiple constructors in your class
- That's called constructor overloading!
- Each constructor must have a different parameter list!

But we'll learn super in lec. 3!

```
public class Rectangle {
   public Rectangle() {}
   public Rectangle(int x1, int y1, int x2, int y2) {...}
   public Rectangle(int x1, int y1, int x2, int y2, String color) {...}
   ...
}
```







Abstract Classes

- Some classes should not be instantiated!
- Think of the Shape class ... it is just an abstract definition of shapes!
- You can prevent class from being instantiated by marking them abstract!
- The opposite to abstract classes are concrete classes!
- Generally, abstract classes are used for polymorphism (or for inheritance)

```
public abstract class Shape {
    ...
}

Shape shape = new
    Shape();
    will yield an compiler error!
```







Abstract Methods

- You can mark methods abstract, too!
- If you declare a method abstract the class must be abstract as well!
- An abstract method must be overridden in a concrete subclass!
- An abstract method has no body: just end the declaration with a semicolon!

```
public abstract class Shape {
  public abstract double calculateArea();
  public abstract double calculatePerimeter();
}
```







Abstract classes/methods and interfaces

Interfaces

- Sometimes it's necessary for programmers to agree on a contract ...
- Generally speaking, interfaces are such contracts!
- In Java an interface is a reference type!
- An interface defines only abstract methods!
- An interface is created using the keyword interface!
- A class implements an interface using the keyword implements!
- A class can implement multiple interfaces!









Abstract classes/methods and interfaces

Interfaces: Example

```
public interface Drawable {
    public abstract void draw();
    public abstract void rotate();
}
```







Interfaces: Example

```
public class Rectangle implements Drawable {
 private String color;
    Implement this method! It's the contract!
 public void draw() {...}
    Implement this method! It's the contract!
 public void rotate() {...}
```







Abstract classes/methods and interfaces

Class vs subclass vs abstract class vs interface

- New class (that doesn't extend anything): if there's nothing to meaningful extend
- Subclass: If a more specific version of an existing class is needed
- Abstract class: If nobody should make objects of the class (e.g. it's a template)
- Interface: For defining a contract that other classes must fulfill!









Thank you very much!





