

Inheritance and Hierarchies

- Create Classes that inherit functionality from another Class
- Uses the `extends` keyword
 - Defines an "is a" relationship
 - Example: Goalkeeper is a Player



```
2 public class Player {
3     String name;
4     int jerseyNumber;
5     double salary;
6
7     /**
8      * this player is fouling the fouledPlayer
9      * @param fouledPlayer
10     */
11     void commitFoul(Player fouledPlayer) {
12         System.out.println(name + " fouled " + fouledPlayer.name);
13     }
14
15     void leave() {
16         System.out.println(name + " is leaving.");
17     }
18
19     void kick() {
20         System.out.println("Player " + name + " is kicking the ball");
21     }
22 }
```

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2 public class Goalkeeper extends Player {
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4     @Override
5     void kick() {
6         System.out.println("Running up to the ball");
7         super.kick();
8     }
9
10    public static void main(String[] args) {
11        Goalkeeper hs = new Goalkeeper();
12        hs.name = "Hope Solo";
13        hs.kick();
14    }
15 }
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<terminated> Goalkeeper [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.8.0_191\bin\javaw.exe (Nov 7, 2018)
Running up to the ball
Player Hope Solo is kicking the ball

Constructor Inheritance

- Classes try calling their Parent's default constructor
 - Happens implicitly, passing no parameters
- To prevent calling the default constructor, you can use an explicit call
- Explicit call requires one of two keywords
 - `super`
 - `this`
- `super` keyword: Parent class's constructor
 - `super ()` calls the Parent class's default constructor
 - `super (parameters)` calls the Parent class's constructor with parameters
- `this` keyword: Child class's constructor

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2 public class Player {
3     String name;
4     int jerseyNumber;
5     double salary;
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7     public Player(String playerName) {
8         name = playerName;
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The Object Class

- All Classes inherit from the Object Class
- Allows flexibility
 - Example: `HashMap<Object> myObjects` can hold anything!
- Provides common functionality
- All Objects inherit default methods
 - `toString()`
 - `equals()`

The `toString()` Method

- All Classes have a default `toString()` method, inherited from `Object`
- Default method prints the memory-location of that Object
- Can be overridden
- `System.out.println()` automatically calls an Object's `toString()` method

The `equals()` Method

- An Object's value is its memory location
- The default `equals()` method will compare these memory locations
- Should usually be overridden for your class



Equality or equals () ?

Primitives

- Can always be tested for equality with `==`

```
double x = 2.0;  
double y = 3.1;  
if( int x == y ){ ... }
```

Objects

- Using `==` for Objects will *always* use the memory location
- Using `.equals()` for Objects will also use the memory location, unless Overridden
- `public boolean equals(Object o)`

Comparing Strings

- The String Class provides the `equals()` method and should be used
- Should be tested with the `equals()` method

```
String a = new String("Hello!");  
String b = new String("Hello!");  
a == b;           // Returns False  
a.equals(b);      // Returns True
```



Summary of Polymorphism

- **Overloading** - two methods with the same name in the same class because they do similar things.
 - usually you see common code within the same class.
- **Overloading, inheritance, abstract classes** - common code across two or more classes.
 - take the common code and move it to a parent class.