# **Abstract and Interfaces**

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### **Concrete Classes**

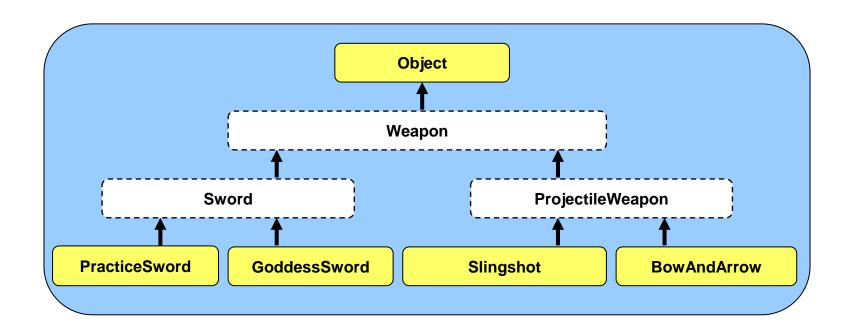
classes that we can make instances of directly by using the new keyword

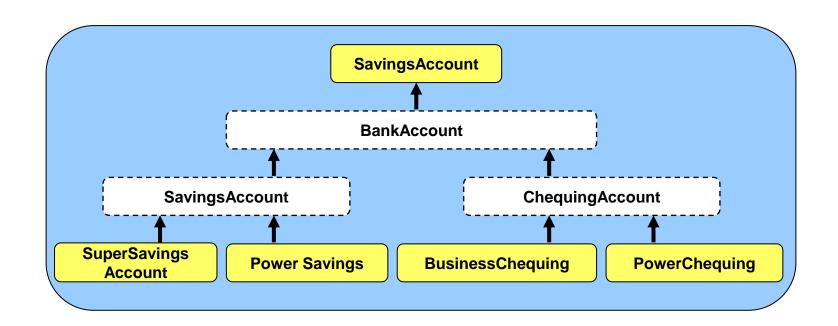
# **Abstract Classes**

# classes for which we cannot create instances

## **Abstract Methods**

methods with no code for which all concrete subclasses are forced to implement the method





```
public abstract class BankAccount
    public abstract void deposit();
public abstract class SavingsAccount
    extends BankAccount
public abstract class ChequingAccount
    extends BankAccount
```

```
account1 = new SuperSavings(...);
account2 = new PowerSavings(...);
account3 = new BusinessChequing(...);
account4 = new PowerChequing(...);
new BankAccount(...) // does not compile
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# Specific bank account types

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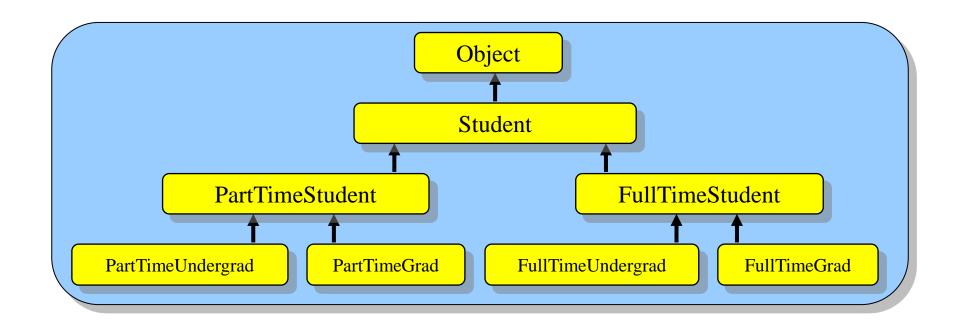
Not specific enough – a teller would ask what *kind* of bank account before opening one

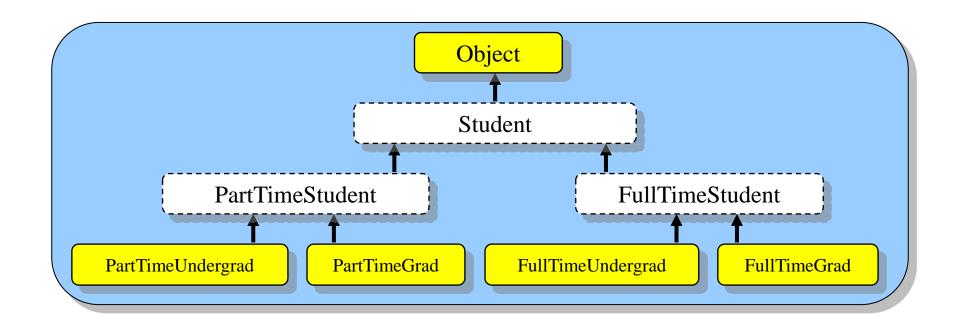
### Why make classes abstract?

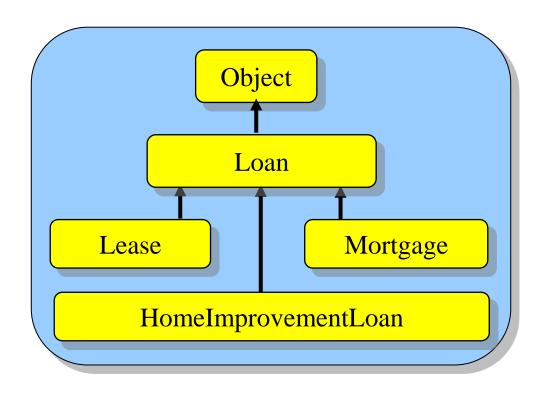
Get advantages of inheritance while informing users of class's purpose and forcing them to subclass your class.

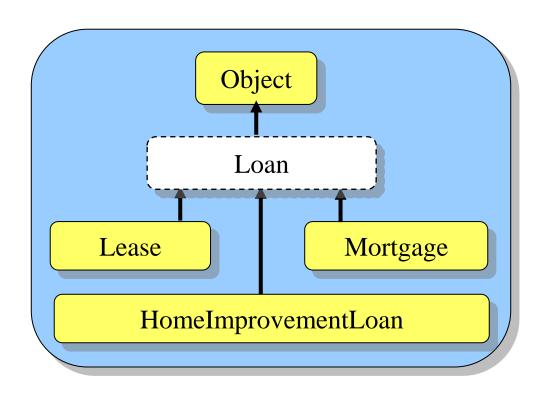
#### Which classes should we make abstract?

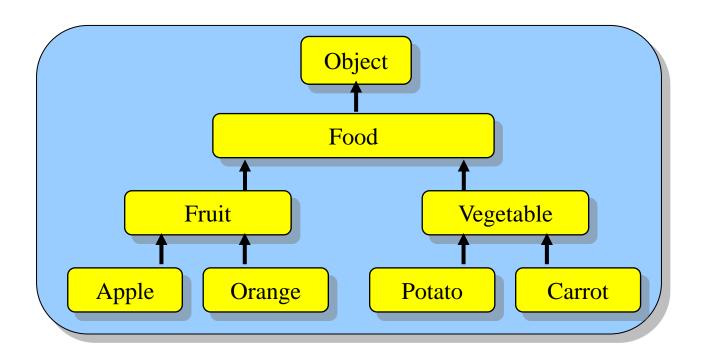
If not sure, leave a class concrete. Otherwise, if all subclasses cover the possible concrete classes that will be needed, make the superclass abstract.

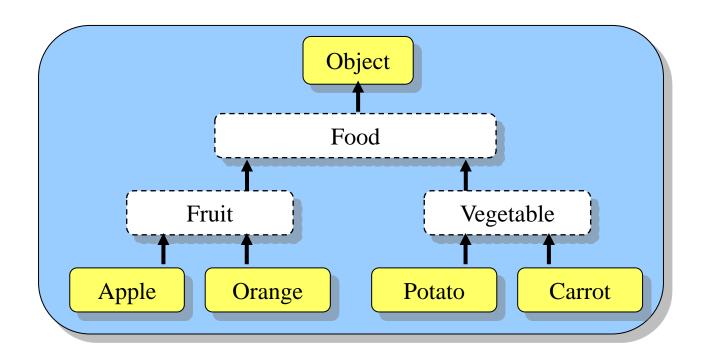












# **Poll Everywhere Question**

What will the result be of compiling and running the following code?

```
abstract class Employee {
    String name;
    public abstract float calcIncome();
class Manager extends Employee {
    public void hire(String who) {
        System.out.println( who + " hired by "
                            + name );
    public void fire(String who) {
        System.out.println( who + " fired by "
                            + name );
public class ManagerCheck {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        Manager me = new Manager();
        me.hire("newbie");
        me.fire("nobody");
```

#### **Text 37607**

#### 68936:

who hired by name who fired by name

#### 68938:

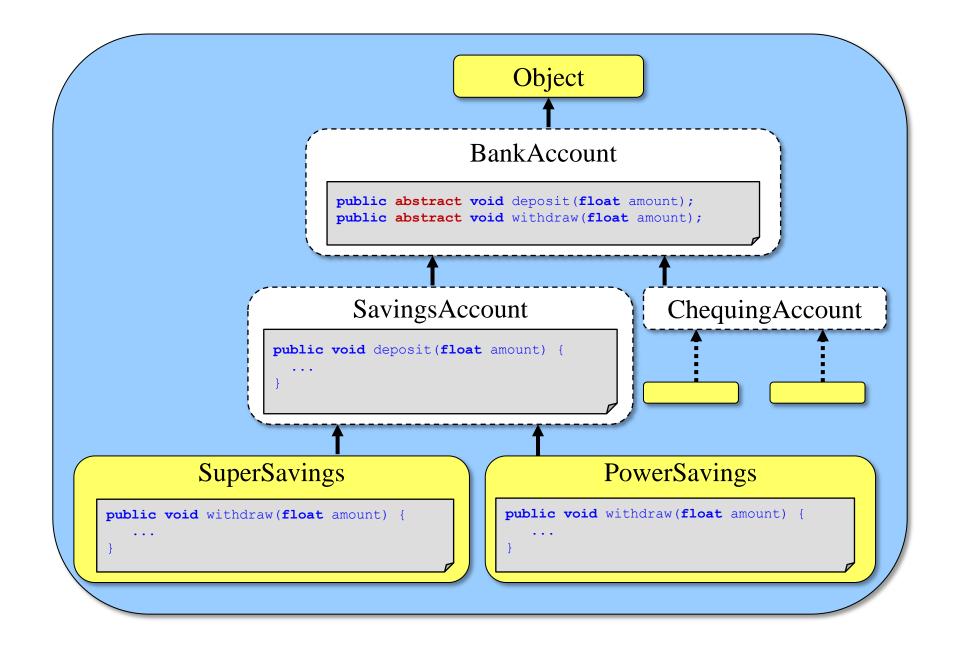
newbie hired by name nobody fired by name

#### 68953:

newbie hired by null nobody fired by null

#### 69082:

Compilation fails

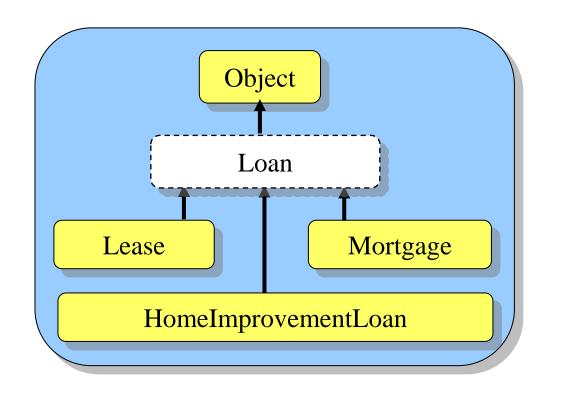


#### When should methods be abstract?

When you want to force concrete subclasses to write their own custom version of the behaviour.

#### When should methods *not* be abstract?

When there is a default behaviour, just write the code in the abstract class.



#### **All loans:**

Get client information etc

#### Only some types:

Refinancing etc

```
public abstract class Loan
    public abstract float calculateMonthlyPayment();
    public abstract void makePayment(float amount);
    public abstract void renew(int numMonths);
    public Client getClientInfo()
```

# Abstract: subclasses must implement

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                      Non-abstract: no need to
                              override it
```

```
public abstract class Loan
{
    public float calculateMonthlyPayment() { return 0;}
    public void makePayment(float amount) { }
    public void renew(int numMonths) { }
    public Client getClientInfo() { ... }
    ....
}
```

What if no methods were abstract?

# Interfaces

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Much like abstract methods

```
public interface Loanable
{
    public float calculateMonthlyPayment();
    public void makePayment(float amount);
    public void renew(int numMonths);
}
```

#### Instead of class

```
public interface Loanable

{
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}
```

## Defined in its own Java file

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Methods must always
be public

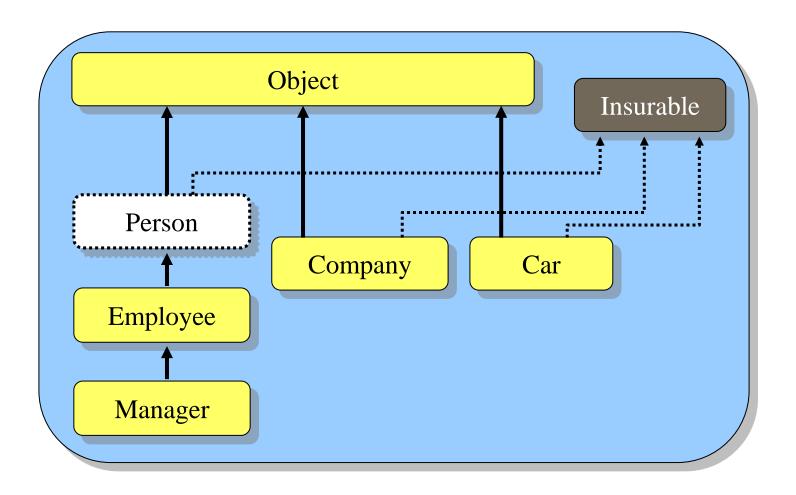
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Can't make a new instance:
new Loanable () is an
error

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Can't have any attributes or static constants

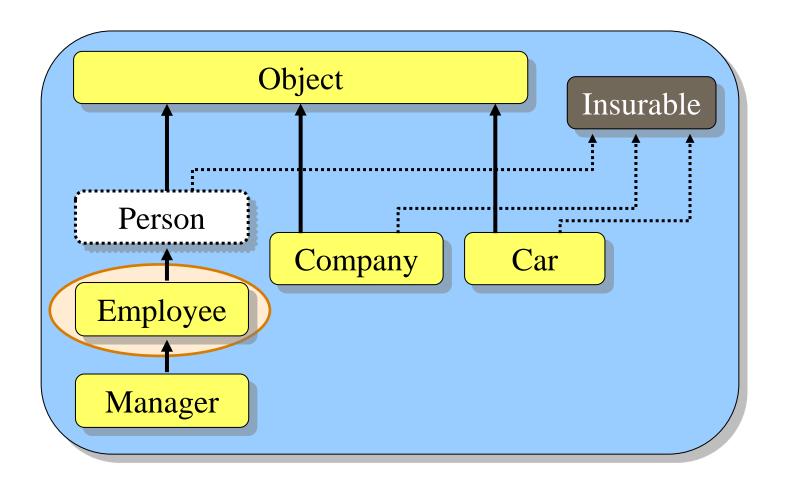


```
public interface Insurable
{
    public int getPolicyNumber();
    public int getCoverageAmount();
    public double calculatePremium(int days);
    public java.util.Date getExpiryDate();
}
```

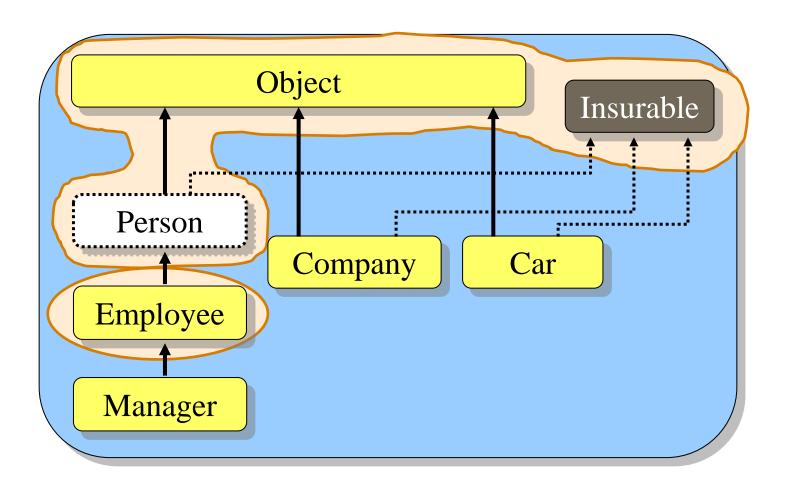
```
public class Person implements Insurable
public class Company implements Insurable
public class Car implements Insurable
```

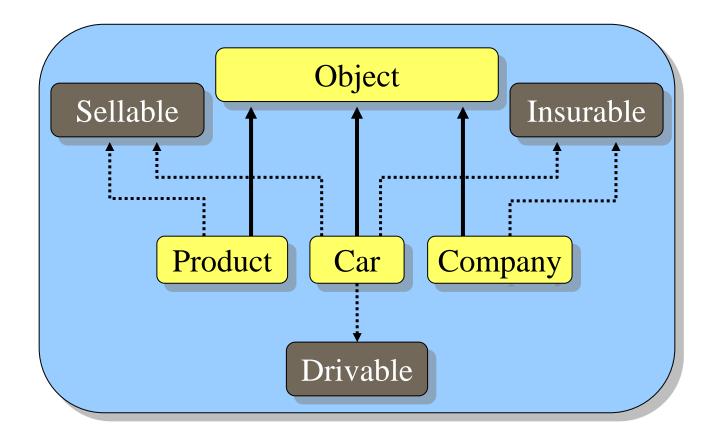
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public class Person implements Insurable
                 Each class has to
public class
                                   Insurable
                  implement all
                 methods from the
                     interface
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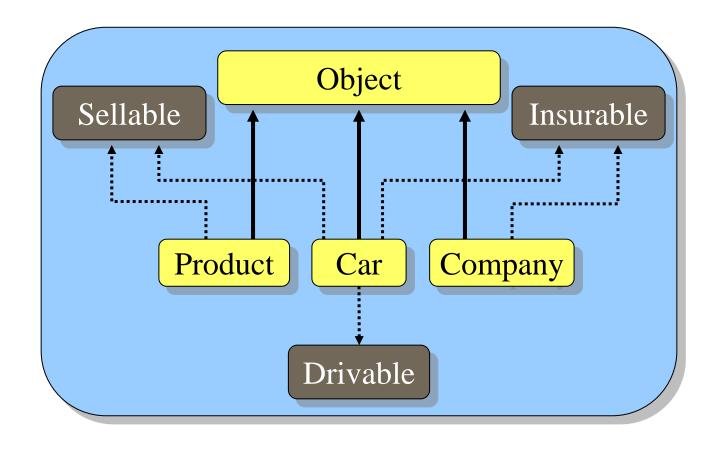


What can an Employee be cast to?

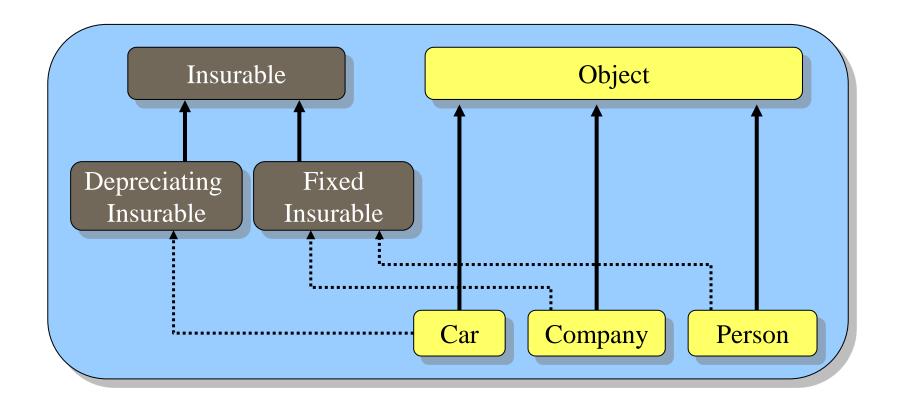




An object can implement multiple interfaces



```
public class Car implements Insurable, Drivable, Sellable
{
    ...
}
```



Interfaces can inherit from each other just like classes

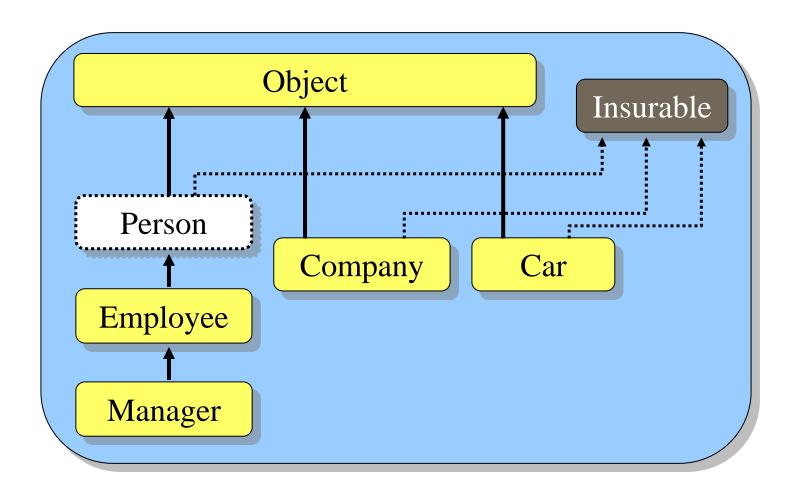
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    public double computeFairMarketValue();
    public void amortizePayments();
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                        Classes that implement
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## Why use interfaces?

They allow us to specify common behavior between otherwise unrelated objects.

## Polymorphism with Interfaces



```
Car jetta = new Car();
Insurable item = (Insurable)jetta;
item.getPolicyNumber();
jetta.getMileage();
item.getMileage();
((Car)item).getMileage();
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Ok since Insurable
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```
float total = 0;
Insurable[] insurableItems;
insurable Items = new Insurable [5];
insurableItems[0] = new Car("Porshce", "Carerra", "Red", 340);
insurableItems[1] = new Customer("Guy Rich");
insurableItems[2] = new Company("Elmo's Edibles", 2009);
insurableItems[3] = new Employee("Jim Socks");
insurableItems[4] = new Manager("Tim Burr");
System.out.println("Here are the policies:");
for (int i=0; i<insurableItems.length; i++)
    System.out.println(" " +
                       insurableItems[i].getPolicyNumber());
   total += insurableItems[i].getPolicyAmount();
System.out.println("Total policies amount is $" + total);
```

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## A single collection of objects that implement Insurable

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                                  Customer, etc, yet the
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