Lecture 15

Polymorphism, Interface, Abstract classes

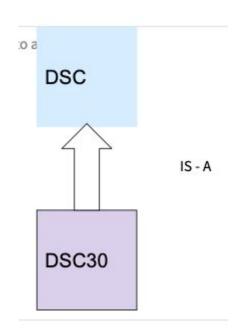
Power of "IS - A" (Polymorphism). Demo

Polymorphism is the ability of an object to take on *many* forms.

when a **parent** class reference is used to refer to a **child** class object.

DSC30 IS-A DSC

Variables in Java do not follow polymorphism and overriding is only applicable to methods but not to variables.



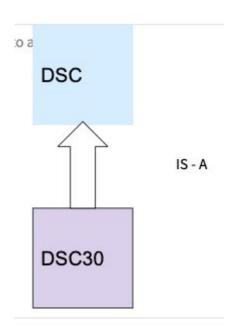
Polymorphic Array and Param Passing

Polymorphic Arrays

Power of "IS - A". Demo

DSC30 class2 = new DSC();

Not OK.



INTERFACE

CAR CLASS, REVISITED

Methods:

... .

```
void accelerate()
void takeDamage(int d)
void flip()
String blowUp()
```

INTERFACE

```
public interface Car {
    public void accelerate( );
    public void takeDamage(int d);
    public static void flip( );
    public String blowUp( );
```

- reference type: Car c
- Contains only abstract methods
 - No implementation, only method headers.
- interface may also contain constants, static methods, default methods (beyond the scope of this class)
- An interface does not contain any constructors.
- You cannot instantiate an interface.
 - Car c = new Car () ←-wrong
- It is implemented by a class.

IMPLEMENTS: SIGNING A CONTRACT

```
public interface Car {
    public void accelerate( );
    public void takeDamage(int d);
    public static void flip( );
    public String blowUp( );
```

```
public class Race implements Car {
              int damage = 0;
               // add one or more
constructors.
     public void accelerate( ){
         ...actual implementation...
     public void takeDamage(int d){
          ...actual implementation...
     public static void flip() {
          ...actual implementation...
     public String blowUp( ){
          ...actual implementation...
```

IMPLEMENTS: SIGNING A CONTRACT

```
public interface Car {
    public void accelerate();
    public void takeDamage(int d);
    public static void flip();
    public String blowUp();
}
```

What is a proper way to create an object?

```
A: Car c = new Car ()
B: Race r = new Race ()
C: Race r = new Car()
D: Car r = new Race ()
E: More than one possible answer
```

```
public class Race implements Car {
              int damage = 0;
               // add one or more
constructors.
     public void accelerate( ){
         ...actual implementation...
     public void takeDamage(int d){
          ...actual implementation...
     public static void flip() {
          ...actual implementation...
     public String blowUp( ){
          ...actual implementation...
```

IMPLEMENTS: SIGNING A CONT

```
public interface Car {
    public void accelerate();
    public void takeDamage(int d);
    public static void flip();
    public String blowUp();
}
```

What is a proper way to create an object?

```
A: Car c = new Car ()

B: Race r = new Race ()

C: Race r = new Car()

D: Car r = new Race ()

E: More than one possible answer
```

```
public class Race implements Car {
              int damage = 0;
               // add one or more
constructors.
     public void accelerate( ){
         ...actual implementation...
     public void takeDamage(int d){
          ...actual implementation...
     public static void flip() {
          ...actual implementation...
     public String blowUp( ){
          ...actual implementation...
     public String test( ){
          ...actual implementation...
```

ONE OF THE REASONS WHY WE USE INTERFACE

ADT Implementers and Users

Implementers

Users



"We can implement the ADT however we want!"



"We can use the ADT however we want!"

https://www.java67.com/2014/02/what-is-actual-use-of-inte rface-in-java.html

INTRODUCING: ABSTRACT CLASSES

Abstract classes are an intermediate level between interfaces and classes.

- Cannot be instantiated.
- Can provide either abstract or concrete methods.

Differences

GraphicObject

opposite of interfaces

- O Use **abstract** keyword for abstract methods.
- O Use no keyword for concrete methods.
- Can provide variables (any kind).

```
public abstract class GraphicObject {
   public int x, y;
   ...
   public void moveTo(int newX, int newY) { ... }
   public abstract void draw();
   public abstract void resize();
}
```

EXAMPLE (FROM ORACLE'S ABSTRACT CLASS TUTORIAL)

```
public abstract class GraphicObject {
   public int x, y;
   ...
   public void moveTo(int newX, int newY) { ... }
   public abstract void draw();
   public abstract void resize();
}
```

```
public class Circle extends GraphicObject {
   public void draw() { ... }
   public void resize() { ... }
}
```

methods.

Implementations must override ALL abstract

Square

GraphicObject

```
public interface PaperShredder {
                                             How many abstract methods
   void shred(Document d);
                                             must DCX9000 override?
   void shredAll(Document[] d);
  public abstract class DeluxeModel
                                             A. 0
        implements PaperShredder {
                                             B. 1
     public int count = 0;
     public void count() { return count;
                                                               Paper
     public shredAll(Document[] d) {
                                                             Shredder
        for (int i = 0; i < d.length; d += 1) {</pre>
             shred(d);
                                                              Deluxe
                                                               Model
     public abstract void connectToWifi();
                                                              DCX9000
```

SUMMARY: ABSTRACT CLASSES VS. INTERFACES

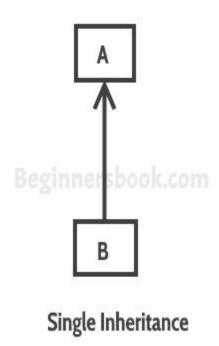
Interfaces:

- Primarily for interface inheritance. Limited implementation inheritance.
- Classes can implement multiple interfaces.

Abstract classes:

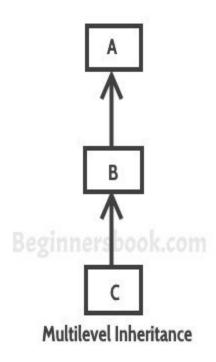
- Can do anything an interface can do, and more.
- Subclasses only extend one abstract class.

Types of inheritance: Single Inheritance



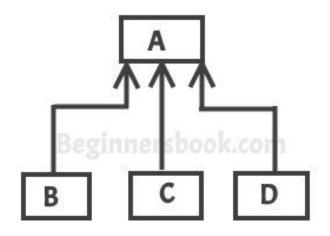
https://beginnersbook.com/2013/03/inheritance-in-java/

Types of inheritance: Multilevel inheritance



https://beginnersbook.com/2013/03/inheritance-in-java/

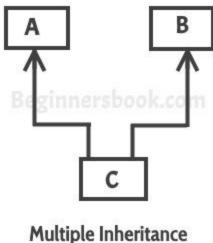
Types of inheritance: Hierarchical inheritance



Hierarchical Inheritance

Types of inheritance: Multiple Inheritance:

Not in Java! :(Python has it



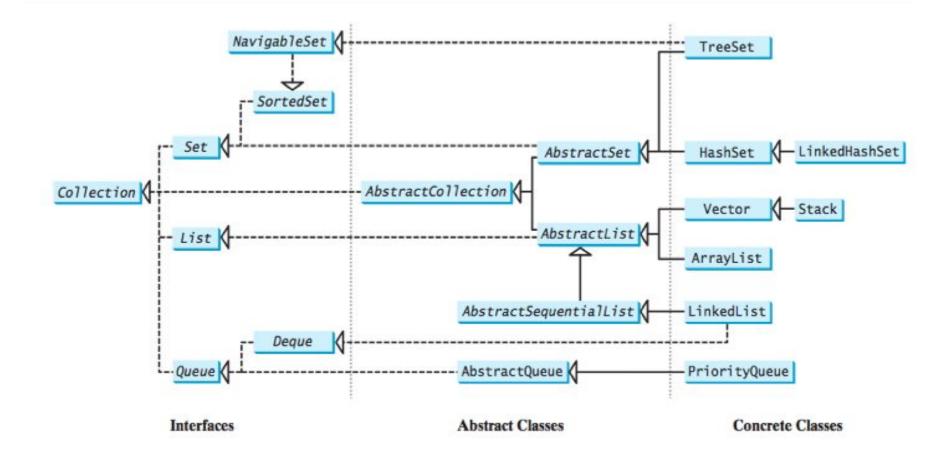
Collections

- Fundamentally, what we as programmers do with data is to store it and retrieve it and then operate on it.
- A **collection** is an ADT (Abstract Data Type) that contains data elements, and provides operations on them.
- There are different ways that elements can be collected:
 - Set, List, Sorted List...

All collections implement the interface Collection



A collection is a container that stores objects



Abstract List

- public class DoublyLinkedList<E> implements List<E> <--- ideal
- public class DoublyLinkedList<E> extends AbstractList<E>
- AbstractList provides dummy implementations for most methods in List interface.
- We can override its methods with our own!!

https://docs.oracle.com/javase/9/docs/api/java/util/AbstractList.html

class Kids{

girl.like(); Child2 boy = new Child2(); public void like(){ boy.like(); System.out.println("I like tag!");

class Child1 extends Kids { @Override public void like(){ System.out.println("I like dressup!");

class Child2 extends Child1 {}

C: I like tag! I like tag! D: I like tag!

A: I like dressup!

I like tag!

B: I like dressup!

I like dressup!

I like dressup!

Child1 girl = new Child1();

E: Error

class Kids{

public void like(){

System.out.println("I like tag!");

class Child1 extends Kids { @Override private void like(){

dressup!");

System.out.println("I like

class Child2 extends Child1 {}

I like tag!

D: I like tag!

C: I like tag!

girl.like();

boy.like();

I like tag!

B: I like dressup!

I like dressup!

I like dressup!

Child1 girl = new Child1();

Child2 boy = new Child2();

A: I like dressup! E: Error

System.out.println("I like

class Kids{ protected void like(){ tag!");

class Child1 extends Kids { @Override public void like(){ System.out.println("I like

class Child2 extends Child1 {}

dressup!");

I like tag!

D: I like tag! I like dressup!

Child1 girl = new Child1();

Child2 boy = new Child2();

A: I like dressup! E: Error

girl.like();

boy.like();

I like tag!

B: I like dressup!

C: I like tag!

I like dressup!

class Kids{

private void like(){ System.out.println("I like

tag!");

class Child1 extends Kids {

@Override public void like(){ System.out.println("I like

dressup!");

class Child2 extends Child1 {}

D: I like tag! I like dressup!

Child1 girl = new Child1();

Child2 boy = new Child2();

A: I like dressup! E: Error

girl.like();

boy.like();

I like tag!

B: I like dressup!

C: I like tag!

I like tag!

I like dressup!