# COE318 Lecture Notes Week 9 (Week of Oct 27, 2014)

### Zoo Version 3: Abstract classes and methods

• AbstractAnimal is just a normal class and it is legal to write:

```
AbstractAnimal a = new AbstractAnimal("Sue");
```

- This should not be allowed!
- It makes no sense to create an animal when we don't know what kind of animal it is.
- AbstractAnimal exists only for the purpose of subclassing.
- We can make this clear by declaring it to be abstract.
- The compiler will now disallow:

```
AbstractAnimal a = new AbstractAnimal("Sue");
```

- We now refer to AbstractAnimal as an abstract class that cannot be instantiated.
- But Lion and Hedgehog are *concrete* classes that can be instantiated.
- We can also declare methods to be abstract. If we do so, we **must** declare the class to be abstract.
- Furthermore, when we extend an abstract class as a concrete class, the compiler will insist that we write implementation code for any abstract methods.
- The code for our classes is given below.
  - Note: the Zoo class needs no changes.
  - The AbstractAnimal class is now declared "abstract" as is its "noise()" method.
  - Both Lion and Hedgehog now have to implement (and not just inherit) the "noise()" method.

```
public abstract class AbstractAnimal {
   private final String name;
   private final int birthYear;

public AbstractAnimal(String name, int year) {
    this.name = name;
    birthYear = year;
}

public int age() {
   return 2014 - birthYear;
```

```
public String getName() {
    return name;
}

public abstract String noise();

public boolean eatsPeople() {
    return true;
}
```

```
public class Hedgehog extends AbstractAnimal {
   public Hedgehog(String name, int year) {
      super(name, year);
   }

   @Override
   public boolean eatsPeople() {
      return false;
   }

   @Override
   public String noise() {
      return "Chirp...chirp";
   }
}
```

```
public class Lion extends AbstractAnimal {
    public Lion(String name, int year) {
        super(name, year);
    }

    @Override
    public String noise() {
        return "Rrroar (yum yum)";
    }
}
```

#### Zoo Version 4: Interfaces

- The zoo owner is happy with version 3; lots and lots of concrete animal classes can be easily added; no changes needed to the Zoo or AbstractAnimal classes.
- But then one day he says, "I love my fridge. I want to have it as one of the amimals in my zoo."
- The guy may be a lunatic, but we have to respect his wishes.
- "Tell him just to subclass Refrigerator from AbstractAnimal."
- But he can't do that; Refriger ator is already subclassed from Electrical Appliance.
- OK, we'll make an *interface* called Animal. He just has to *implement* the interface.

### Casting (reference data types) and instanceof operator

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 * /
class InstanceofDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Parent obj1 = new Parent();
        Parent obj2 = new Child();
        System.out.println("obj1 instanceof Parent: "
            + (obj1 instanceof Parent));
        System.out.println("obj1 instanceof Child: "
            + (obj1 instanceof Child));
        System.out.println("obj1 instanceof MyInterface: "
            + (obj1 instanceof MyInterface));
        System.out.println("obj2 instanceof Parent: "
            + (obj2 instanceof Parent));
        System.out.println("obj2 instanceof Child: "
            + (obj2 instanceof Child));
        System.out.println("obj2 instanceof MyInterface: "
+ (obj2 instanceof MyInterface));
```

### What is an interface?

- An interface is simply a collection of zero or more public abstract methods.
- A class can implement as many interfaces as it wants. It just has to ensure that all the abstract methods are actually implemented. (And the compiler will ensure that this is done.)
- We also take advantage of the Animal interface and have AbstractAnimal implement it.
- Objects can be declared as their own type or as any of their superclass's type.
- In addition, an object can be declared as any interface type implemented by the actual class.
- Consequently, we can now declare all the animals (and the fridge) as type Animal.
- We also have AbstractAnimal implement a standard imterface, Comparable<Animal>.

```
interface Animal {
   String noise();
   boolean eatsPeople();
   int age();
   String getName();
}
```

```
public abstract class AbstractAnimal
        implements Animal,
        Comparable<Animal> {
   private final String name;
   private final int birthYear;
   public AbstractAnimal(String name, int year) {
      this.name = name;
      birthYear = year;
   @Override
   public int age() {
      return 2014 - birthYear;
   @Override
   public String getName() {
      return name;
   @Override
   public abstract String noise();
   @Override
   public boolean eatsPeople() {
      return this instanceof Dangerous;
   @Override
   public int compareTo(Animal other) {
      return getName().compareTo(other.getName());
   @Override
   public boolean equals(Object obj) {
      if (obj == null) {
        return false;
      if (getClass() != obj.getClass()) {
        return false;
      final AbstractAnimal other =
              (AbstractAnimal) obj;
      if ((this.name == null)
```

```
public interface Dangerous {
}
```

```
public class Lion extends AbstractAnimal
  implements Dangerous{

  public Lion(String name, int year) {
     super(name, year);
  }

  @Override
  public String noise() {
     return "GGGrowl";
  }
}
```

```
public class Hedgehog extends AbstractAnimal {
    public Hedgehog(String name, int year) {
        super(name, year);
    }

    @Override
    public String noise() {
        return "Chirp chirp";
    }
}
```

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
public class Zoo {
   private final ArrayList<Animal> animals =
           new ArrayList<Animal>();
   public void add(Animal animal) {
      animals.add(animal);
   public String getNames() {
      String s = "";
      for (Animal a : animals) {
         s += a.getName() + "\n";
      return s;
   }
   public Animal[] getAnimals() {
      Animal[] ts = new AbstractAnimal[0];
      return animals.toArray(ts);
   }
   public static void main(String[] args) {
      Zoo zoo = new Zoo();
      Animal a = new Lion("Alex", 2010);
      zoo.add(a);
      zoo.add(new Lion("Betty", 2009));
      zoo.add(new Hedgehog("Charlie", 2010));
      System.out.println(zoo.getNames());
```

## Zoo Version 5: Exceptions

```
import java.util.ArrayList;

public class Zoo {

   private final ArrayList<Animal> animals =
        new ArrayList<Animal>();

   public void add(Animal animal) {
        if (animals.contains(animal)) {
            throw new IllegalArgumentException("Duplicate
name not allowed");
      }
      animals.add(animal);
   }

   public String getNames() {
      String s = "";
      for (Animal a : animals) {
        s += a.getName() + "\n";
      }
      return s;
   }
}
```

```
public Animal[] getAnimals() {
          Animal[] ts = new AbstractAnimal[0];
          return animals.toArray(ts);
       }
       public static void main(String[] args) {
          Zoo zoo = new Zoo();
          Animal a = new Lion("Alex", 2010);
          zoo.add(a);
          zoo.add(new Lion("Betty", 2009));
          Animal charlie1 = new Hedgehog("Charlie", 2010);
          zoo.add(charlie1);
          System.out.println(zoo.getNames());
          Animal charlie2 = new Lion("Charlie", 2007);
          try {
             zoo.add(charlie2);
          } catch (IllegalArgumentException ex) {
             System.err.println("Duplicate name not
added");
          }
          Animal[] animals = zoo.getAnimals();
          for (Animal an : animals) {
             System.out.println(an.getClass().getName()
                     + " " + an.getName() + ": "
                     + (an.eatsPeople()
                      ? "eats" : "does not eat")
                     + " people");
          }
```