

INTERFACES AND COLLECTIONS



• *Interfaces* in the .NET base class libraries are prefixed with a capital letter *I*.

```
interface IMyInterface
{
   void Method1();
   int Method2(int value);
}

class MyClass : IMyInterface
{
   public void Method1()
   {
      throw new NotImplementedException();
   }

   public Int32 Method2(Int32 value)
   {
      throw new NotImplementedException();
   }
}
```

► It is impossible to create an instance of an interface

IPointy p = new IPointy(); // Compiler error!



Example:

```
Class Diagram
                                    public interface IDatabase
                                         void Update();
                                                     Both classes implementing
                                                        the same interface
                                                           public class clsSupplier : IDatabase
public class cisCustomer : TDatabase
                                                               public void Update()
    public void Update()
                                                                   // Update code goes over here
       // Update code goes over here
                                      Client code
IDatabase IObjdatabase;
IObjdatabase = new clsCustomer();
IObjdatabase.Update(); ←
                                       -Uniformity
IObjdatabase = new clsSupplier();
IObjdatabase.Update();←
```



Resolving Name Clashes:

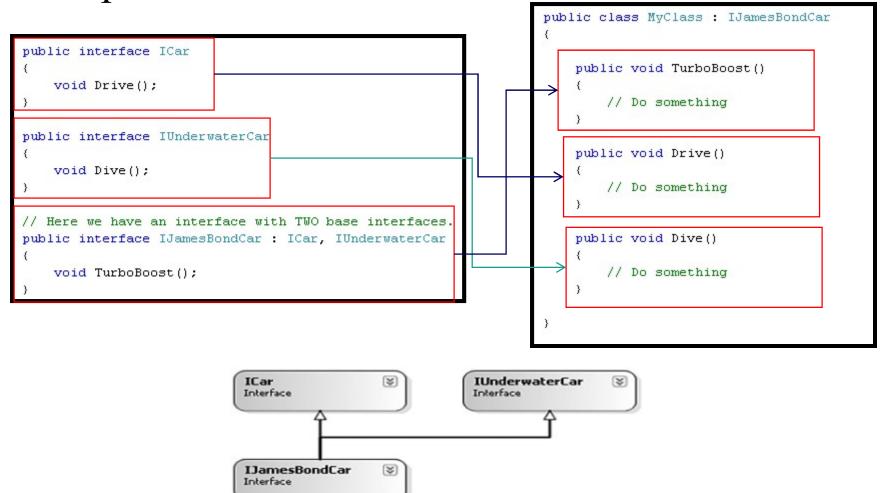
```
public interface IDraw
{
    void Draw();
}

public interface IDrawToPrinter
{
    void Draw();
}

public interface IDraw3D
{
    void Draw();
}
```



Multiple Base Interfaces:





• Collections Interfaces:

Interface	Description
ICollection <t></t>	Base interface for generic collections.
IEnumerator <t> IEnumerable<t></t></t>	Enumerates through a collection using a foreach statement.
IComparer <t> IComparable<t></t></t>	Compares two objects held in a collection so that the collection can be sorted.
IList <t></t>	Used by array-indexable collections.
IDictionary <k,v></k,v>	Used for key/value-based collections such as Dictionary.

Thank You!



