Exercise Session Informatik III

9. Introduction to Eiffel

A Simple Example indexing description: "Simple Bank Accounts" class ACCOUNT feature -- Access balance: INTEGER -- Current Balance deposit_count: INTEGER is -- Number of deposits made since opening do if all_deposits /= Void then Results := all_deposits.count end end

A Simple Example



Object Creation feature do_test is -- Simple test routine local x: ACCOUNT do balance create x all_deposits end end -- class TEST Туре Default Value INTEGER, REAL, DOUBLE Zero BOOLEAN False Reference Types Void Reference Composite Expanded Types | Same rules, applied recursively to all fields

Object Creation Routines

```
indexing
description: "Simple accounts, with first deposit"
class
ACCOUNT_WITH_DEPOSIT

Create
make
feature -- Initialisation
make(sum: INTEGER) is
-- Initialise account with sum
do
deposit(sum)
end
...
end -- class ACCOUNT_WITH_DEPOSIT
```

Expanded Classes

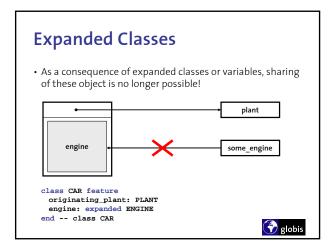
 It is possible to declare an entire class as expanded. This means that a variable of this type will always contain the object itself and not a reference to the object.

```
indexing
  description: "Integer Values"
expanded class
  INTEGER
feature -- Basic Operations
  infix "+" (other: INTEGER): INTEGER is
   do ... end
...
end -- class INTEGER
```

 On the other hand, one can achieve this behavior for only one variable of a not expanded type, using the following syntax:

x: expanded ACCOUNT





Access Control

- Sometimes it makes sense that a client of a class cannot access all features of a class.
- Eiffel provides a powerful mechanism to specify who can access a feature

- everybody feature Of feature {ANY} - special classes feature {ACCOUNT, LIST} - nobody feature {NONE} or feature { }

• Attributes are always read-only in Eiffel. To update or set an attribute a routine has to be written

feature {...} set_attribute(v: VALUE_TYPE) is do attribute := v



