6.092: Thursday Lecture

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Topics



- Interfaces, abstract classes
- Exceptions
- Inner classes



Abstract Classes

Use when subclasses have some code in common

```
abstract class Person {
   private String name = "";
   public String getName() { return name; }
   public void setName(String n) { name=n; }
   abstract public String sayGreeting();
}
class EnglishPerson extends Person {
   public String sayGreeting() { return "Hello"; }
}
```

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Interfaces



 Use to make distinct or unknown or unspecified components plug-and-play

```
public interface Dragable {
  public void drag();
public class Icon implements Dragable {
  public void drag() { ... }
Public class Chair implements Dragable {
  public void drag() { ... }
```

Another reason to use Interfaces



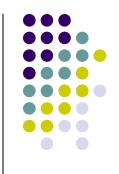
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```
Public abstract class Cowboy {
    /*kill something*/
    public void draw() {...}
}
```

```
Public abstract class Curtain {
    /*let in sunshine*/
    public void draw() {...}
}
```

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```
CowboyCurtain cowboy = new CowboyCurtain();
Cowboy.draw();
// does it get brighter or does something die?
```

Multiple implements, single extends



```
interface Drawable {
                          class Icon implements
  public void draw();
                          Drawable, Clickable, Draggable {
                             public void draw() {
interface Clickable {
                                SOP("drawing..."); }
  public void click();
                             public void click() {
                                SOP("clicking..."); }
                             public void drag() {
interface Draggable {
                                SOP("dragging..."); }
  public void drag();
```



Subtyping

```
class Square {
                                       Should:
   public int width;
class Rectangle {
   public int width, height;
int calculateArea (Square x) {
  return (x.width)*(x.width); }
int calculateCircumference (Rectangle x) {
  return 2*(x.width+x.height); }
```

Square extend Rectangle?

Rectangle extend Square?



Rectangle extends Square

```
class Square {
  public int width;
  Square(int x) { width = x; }
class Rectangle extends Square {
  public int height;
  Rectangle(int width, int height) {
       super(width);
       this.height = height; }
Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(2, 3);
calculateArea( rect ); // returns 4, not 6!
```



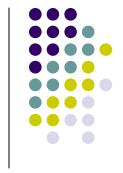
Square extends Rectangle

```
class Rectangle {
  public int width, height;
class Square extends Rectangle {
   public int side;
Square square = new Square(3);
calculateCircumference( sq ); // w.t.f. no height!
```



Square extends Rectangle

```
class Rectangle {
  public int width, height;
  Rectangle(int width, int height) {
      this.width = width; this.height = height; }
class Square extends Rectangle {
   Square(int x) { super(x, x); }
Square square = new Square(3);
calculateCircumference(sq); // 12, ok
```



True Subtyping

- Inheritance (extending classes) re-uses code
- A true subtype will behave the right way when used by code expecting its supertype.

```
class B {
    Bicycle myMethod(Bicycle arg) {...}
}
class A {
    RacingBicycle myMethod(Vehicle arg) {...}
}
```



Composite

Contain a class, rather than extend it

```
class ListSet { // might want to implement Set
  private List myList = new ArrayList();
  void add(Object o) {
    if (!myList.contains(o)) myList.add(o);
  }
```

Exceptions

- Goal: help programmers report and handle errors
- What happens when an exception is thrown?
 - Normal program control flow halts
 - Runtime environment searches for handler:

```
try {
    statement(s) that might throw exception
} catch (exceptiontypeA name) {
    handle or report exceptiontypeA
} catch (exceptiontypeB name) {
    handle or report exceptiontypeB
} finally {
    clean-up statement(s)
}
```

Exceptions





boolean fileOpen = true;

// do stuff with f

} catch (FileNotFoundException e) {

e.printStackTrace();

return true;

return false;

System.out.println(" bar ");

fileOpen = false;

} finally {

File f = new File(filename);

```
class Editor {
   public boolean openFile( String filename ) {
        try {
```

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Exception Throwing

```
public class File {
  public File(String filename) throws
  FileNotFoundException {
      if (can't find file) {
            throw new FileNotFoundException();
```





```
class EnclosingClass {
    ...
    class ANestedClass {
        ...
    }
    ...
}
```

Why use nested classes?

Nested Classes





Nested Class Properties

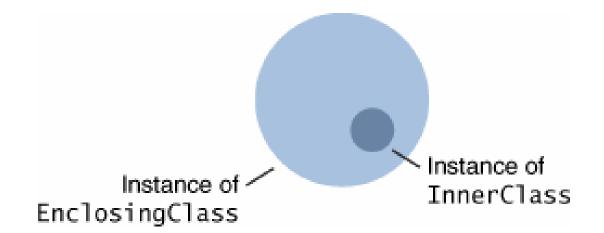
- Have access to all members of the enclosing class, even private members
- can be declared static (and final, abstract)
- Non-static (or instance) nested classes are called inner classes

```
class EnclosingClass {
    static class StaticNestedClass { ... }
    class InnerClass { ... }
}
```

Inner Classes (non-static nested classes)



- Associated with an instance of the enclosing class
 - Cannot declare static members
 - Can only be instantiated within context of enclosing class



Local Anonymous Inner Class

```
public class Stack {
  private ArrayList items;
  public Iterator iterator() {
       private class StackIterator implements Iterator {
              int currentItem = items.size() - 1;
              public boolean hasNext() { ... }
              public ArrayList<Object> next() { ... }
              public void remove() { ... }
       return new StackIterator();
  /* or declare here */
```

Anonymous Inner Class

```
public class Stack {
  private ArrayList items;
  public Iterator iterator() {
      return new Iterator() {
             int currentItem = items.size() - 1;
             public boolean hasNext() { ... }
             public ArrayList<Object> next() { ... }
             public void remove() { ... }
```



Floating Point Precision



- BigDecimal
 - Pain of using Objects
- int or long
 - keep track of decimal yourself, eg, put money in terms of pennies

Defensive Programming





```
public class Man {
  private Wallet myWallet;
  public Money payPaperboy() {
      return myWallet.money;
public class Paperboy {
  public Money payment;
  public void getPaid( Man m ) {
      payment += m.payPaperboy();
```





```
public class Man {
  public Wallet myWallet;
public class Paperboy {
  public Money payment;
  public void getPaid( Man m ) {
      payment += m.myWallet.money;
```

Keep field references unique

- Copy parameters before assigning them to fields
- Copy fields before returning them

```
public final class Period {
  private final Date start;
  private final Date end;
  public Period(Date satrt, Date end) {
          if (start.compareTo(end) > 0)
                  throw new IllegalArgumentException(start
                  + " after " + end);
          this.start = start;
          this.end = end;
  public Date start() { return start; }
  public Date end() { return end; }
```