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Data structure

Contain multiple objects - usually of same type

Long[]

ArrayList

int x;

Arraylist has more power than array

Arraylist size can be changed

Describes relationship between objects

You can access each element in ArrayList

A way to process the objects in order

Depth first search

In-order tree traversal

Algorithms + supplemental classes for building and maintaining the structure

```
class Node {
```

```
    Animal data;
```

```
    Node left;
```

```
    Node right;
```

```
}
```

Conventions for easy communications with other people

-Nodes: hold data, represent relationships

Iterators: present data "in order"

Inheritance

```
class RedGiant {
```

```
    private double mass;
```

```

void setMass(double mass) {

this.mass = mass;

} //setter or mutator

double getMass() {

return this.mass;

} //getter or accessor

}

```

If you have other identical classes with different names

Have a superclass

```
class Star {...class data here...}
```

And then have subclasses

```
class RedGiant extends Star {

}
```

```
class WhiteDwarf extends Star {

}
```

The onion diagram

```
class Animal {
```

```
String name;
```

```
float weight;
```

```
}
```

```
class Duck extends Animal {
```

```
Int nQuacksPerDay;
```

```
}
```

```
class CartoonDuck extends Duck {
```

```
String cartoonist;
```

```
}
```

```
Duck d = new Duck();
```

```
Duck daffy = new CartoonDuck()
```

Java builds onions from the inside out

Object - the heart of the onion

All classes invisibly extend Object

```
class Robot
```

Is an abbreviation for

```
class Robot extends Object
```

All classes eventually extend object

What it provides

```
toString()
```

```
equals()
```

```
hashCode()
```

What it doesn't provide

```
clone()
```

```
wait()
```

```
notify()
```

Every constructor of every class begins with a call to a constructor of the superclass

```
Class WhiteDwarf extends star {
```

```
WhiteDwarf() {
```

```
super();  ←----- this is often invisible
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

If you omit super(), the compiler invisibly creates a no-args version that calls the superclass' no-arg ctor

Classes can have multiple ctors

-every ctor must have a different list of arg types (Signatures)

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