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Chapter 1

Introduction to object-oriented development



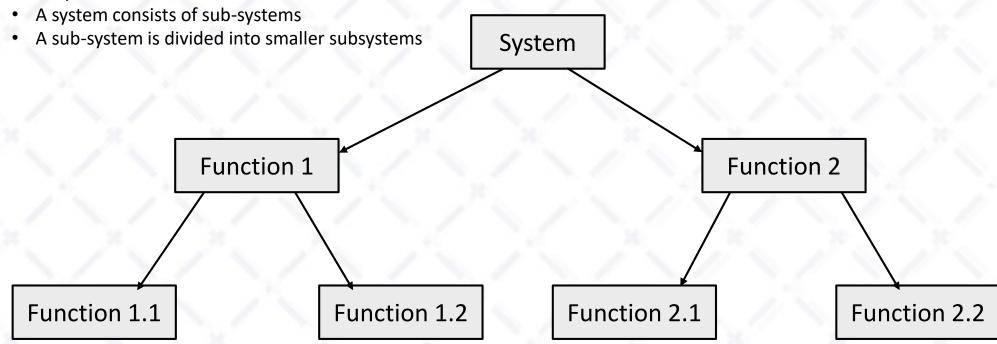
Introduction to object-oriented development

- Functional approach
- Object-oriented approach
- Object-oriented concepts
 - Objects
 - Classes
 - Encapsulation
 - Inheritance
 - Polymorphism
 - Abstraction



Functional/procedural approach

- Based on specified functions of the system
 - A system consists of several functions
- Decomposition of functions into sub-functions



• Functions communicate using shared data or transfer of parameters



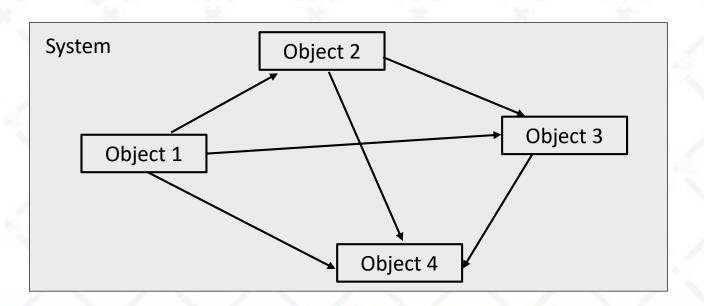
Functional approach

- Advantages
 - Easy to apply
 - Work well when data are simple
 - Help to reduce complexity
 - Obtain expected results
- Disadvantages
 - Functions are separated from data
 - Structure of the system is defined based on the functions, therefore a change of functions will cause difficulties in change of the structure
 - The system is weakly open
 - Difficult to re-use
 - An significant maintenant cost



Object-oriented approach

- The solution of a problem is organized around the concept of objects
- The object is an abstraction of data also containing functions
- A system consists of objects and relationships between them
- Objects communicated by exchanging messages to perform a task
- No global variables
- Encapsulation
- Inheritance





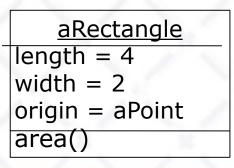
Object-oriented approach

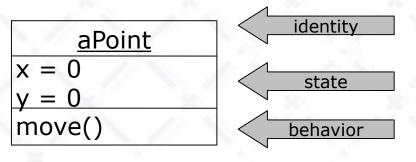
- Advantages
 - Very close to the real world
 - Easy to reuse
 - Hide information (encapsulation)
 - Lower development cost (inheritance)
 - Suitable for complex systems
- Functional approach v.s. object-oriented approach
 - Functional approach
 - System = algorithms + data structures
 - Object-oriented approaches
 - System = Σ objects
 - Object = algorithms + data structures



Objects

- Object is the concept describing an entity in the real world
- There are relationships between the objects
- Example
 - The Student "Micheal" is an object
 - The Student can't be an object!
- Object = state + behavior + identity
 - State (data) describes the characteristics of an object at a given time, and is saved in the variables
 - The behavior is expressed by the functions of the object
 - Each object has a unique identity
- Example







Objects

- State = Set of attributes
 - An attribute describes one property of the object
 - At every moment, an attribute has a value in a specific set of attributes area
 - Example
 - The car has properties: color, length, width, weight, number of kilometres, ...
 - A Renault 207 weighs 1300 pounds, it is red, ...
- behavior = Set of functions
 - A function/method is the ability of the object to perform a task
 - The behavior depends on state
 - Example: A car can start the engine then run, ...

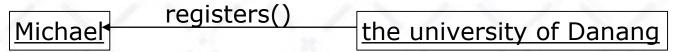


Objects

- Links
 - Between objects, there may be links
 - Example



- Communication between objects
 - Send messages

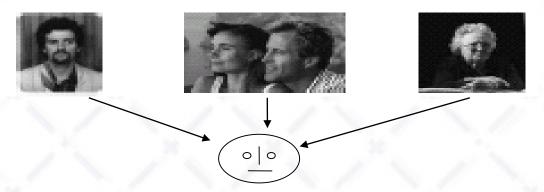


- Message types
 - constructor
 - destructor
 - getter
 - setter
 - others



Classes

- A class is an abstract description of a set of objects having
 - similar properties
 - common behavior
 - common relationship with other objects
- Class is an abstraction
 - Abstraction: search for common aspects and omit the differences

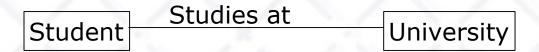


Reduce the complexity



Class

- Relationship
 - There may be relationship between classes
 - A relationship between classes is the set of links between their objects

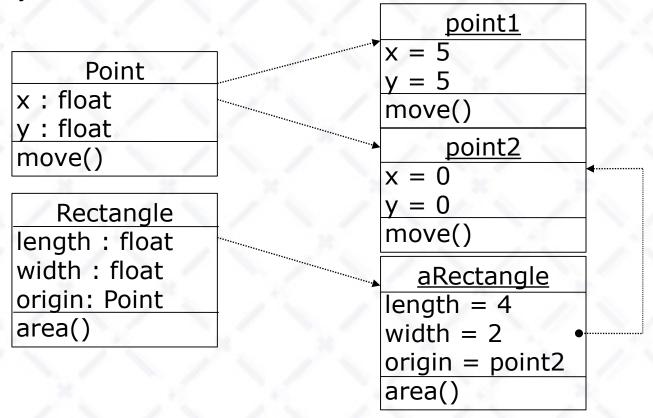


- Class/Object
 - An object is an instance of a class
 - A value is an instance of an attribute
 - A link between objects is an instance of the relationship between classes



Classes

Example: Class / Object





Encapsulation

- Data + Processing of data = Object
- Attributes + Methods = Class

Class attributes methods

- The state of object is encapsulated by a set of attributes
- The behavior is encapsulated by a set of methods
 - Users of an object know the messages that the object can receive (public methods)
 - The implementations of methods are hidden from external users



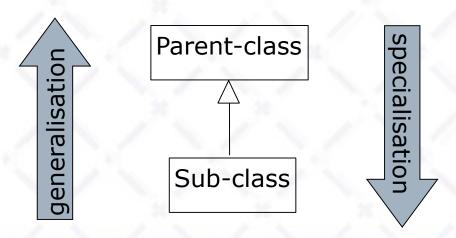
Encapsulation

- Advantages
 - Hide the information
 - Restrict access to the information from the exterior
 - Avoid the global changes in the whole system: the internal implementation can be modified without affecting the external users
 - Facilitate the modularity
 - Easy to reuse
 - Easy to maintain



Inheritance

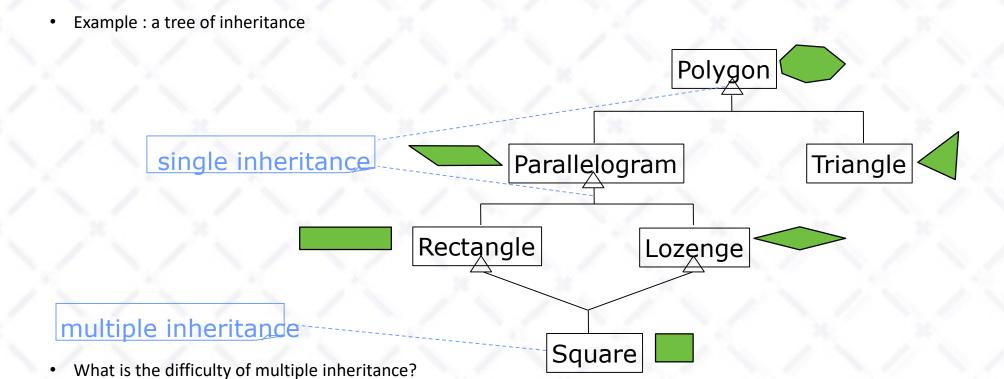
- Inheritance allows the reuse of the state and the behavior of a class by other classes
- A class is derived from one or more classes by sharing attributes and methods
- Subclass inherits attributes and methods of parent-class
- Generalisation / Specialisation
 - Generalisation: common attributes of sub-classes are used to construct the parent-class
 - Specialisation: sub-classes are constructed from the parent-class by adding other attributes that are unique to them





Inheritance

- Single inheritance: a sub-class inherits from only one parent-class
- Multiple inheritance: a sub-class inherits from multiple parent-classes

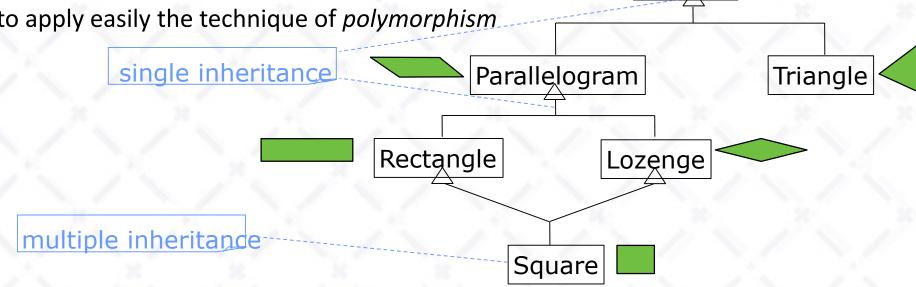




Polygon

Inheritance

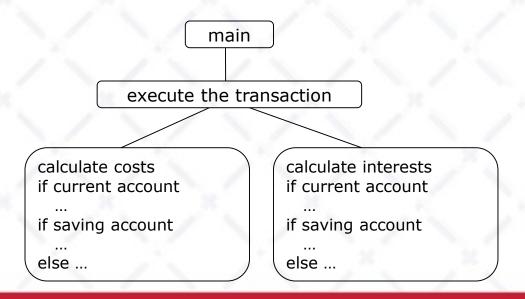
- Advantages
 - Organisation of classes
 - classes are organised hierarchically
 - facilitation of the management of classes
 - Construction of classes
 - sub-classes are constructed from parent-classes
 - Reduction of development cost by avoiding to re-write the code
 - Allowing to apply easily the technique of polymorphism

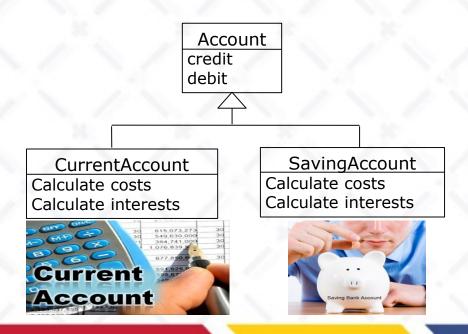




Polymorphism

- Polymorphism of methods
 - Different methods are capable of answering to a request
 - Methods having the same name are defined differently (different behaviors) in different classes
 - Sub-classes inherit the specification of methods from parent-class and these methods can be redefined appropriately
 - Reducing the use of conditional statements (e.g., if-else, switch)
- Procedural approach versus Object-oriented approach

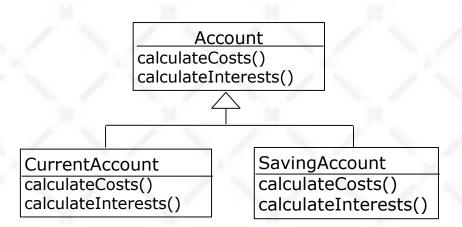






Polymorphism: dynamic linking

- The method to be executed by an object depends on the class of the object: dynamic linking
- The dynamic linking is necessary when
 - A variable refers to an object whose class of membership is part of an inheritance tree
 - Several methods exist for the same message (name) in the inheritance tree (polymorphism)



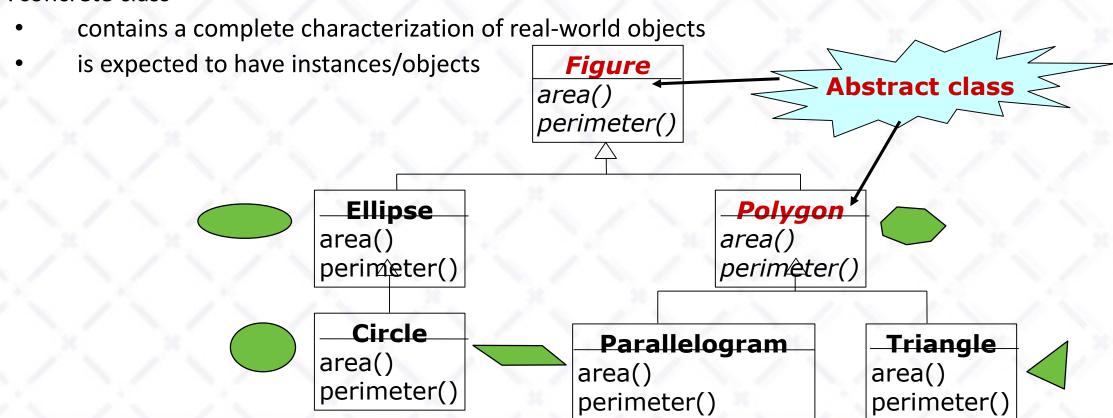
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int calculateCost(Account accounts)
{
   int s = 0;
   for (int i = 0; i < accounts.length; i++)
        s = s + accounts[i]->calculateCosts();
   return s;
}

void main()
{
   Account accounts = new Account[2];
   accounts[0] = new CurrentAccount();
   accounts[1] = new SavingAccount();
   int s = calculateCost(accounts);
   ...
}
```



Abstraction: abstract class

- An abstract class
 - indicates the common characteristics of the sub-classes
 - can't have instances/objects
- A concrete class





Abstraction: abstract method

- A method should be defined at the highest possible abstraction level
 - At this level, the method can be abstract (i.e., no implementation)
 - In this case, the class is also abstract
 - If a class has an abstract method, at least one of its subclasses must implement this method
 - All the methods of a class at the bottom of the inheritance tree must be concrete

