# Filtering Data

Interfaces in More Depth



#### How Does Java Know?

```
public ArrayList<QuakeEntry>
filter(ArrayList<QuakeEntry> quakeData,
                Filter f) {
    ArrayList<QuakeEntry> answer = new ArrayList<QuakeEntry>();
    for(QuakeEntry qe : quakeData) {
        if (f.satisfies(qe)) {
                answer.add(qe);
        }
    }
    return answer;
}
```

How does Java know which .satisfies to call?



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#### Which Method to Call?

- Java remembers actual type
  - When you do new
- Uses actual type to determine method to call
  - "Dynamic Dispatch"

