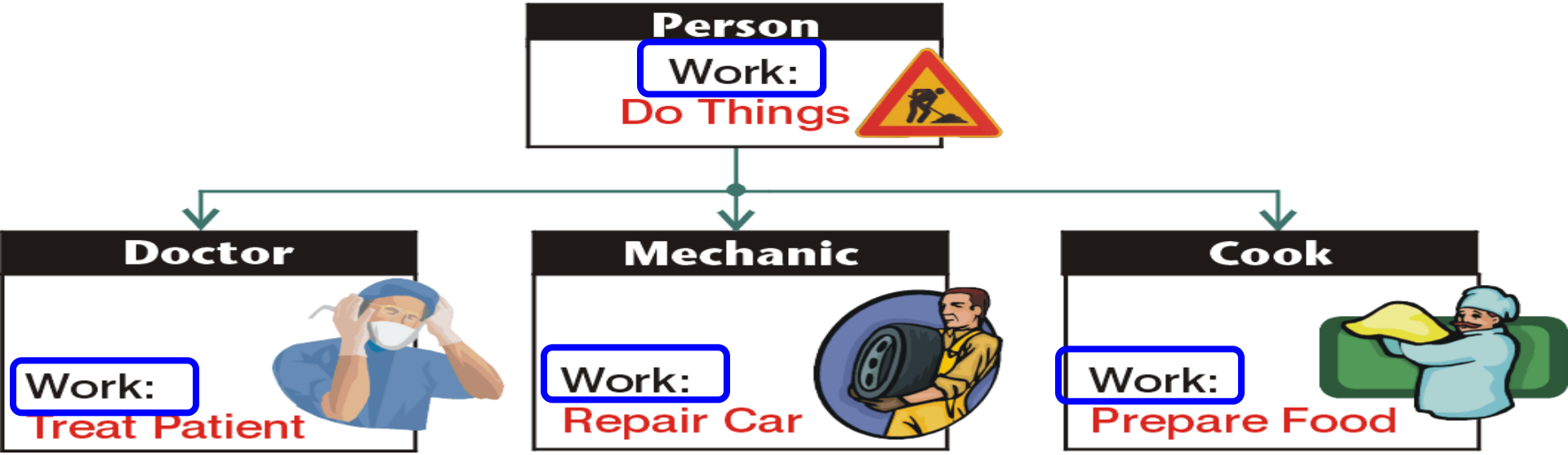
Chapter 10 - Object-Oriented Programming: Polymorphism

Introduction to Polymorphism

- Polymorphism
  - "Program in the general"
  - Treat objects in a same class hierarchy as an object of their superclass
  - Makes programs extensible if not know what the subclass will be
    - New subclasses added easily, no need to modify the old program
  - General type (範型) is a outstanding usage of polymorphism (to be discussed in data structure course)

Polymorphism

Same Operation, Performed Differently



- Polymorphism is the ability of objects belonging to different classes to perform the operation with the same name but different contents.
- Programs that handle a wide variety of related classes in a generic manner

Dynamic Method Binding

- Dynamic method binding
  - Since base-class reference variable can refer to derived-class object
    - When a method of a base-class reference variable is called,
      - the method can be dynamically bound to the method of the suitable derived class
  - That is, program itself can choose "correct" method in derived class

Derived-Class-Object to Base-Class-Object Conversion

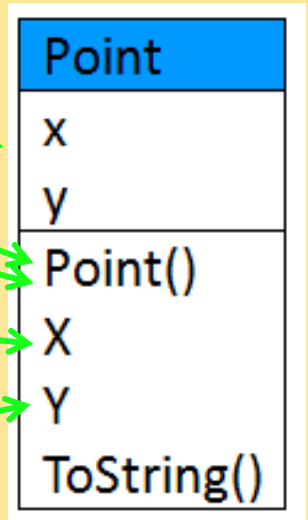
- Key concept
  - Derived-class object can be treated as base class-object
    (蔡五可以視為蔡家子孫)
  - But base-class object is not a derived-class object
    (蔡家子孫並不一定是蔡五)
- Assignment of derived and base classes
  - We can assign derived-class object to base-class reference
  - But we can not assign base-class object to derived-class reference
    - If needed, assignment operator should be cast to allow such an assignment

10.2 Derived-Class-Object to Base-Class-Object Conversion

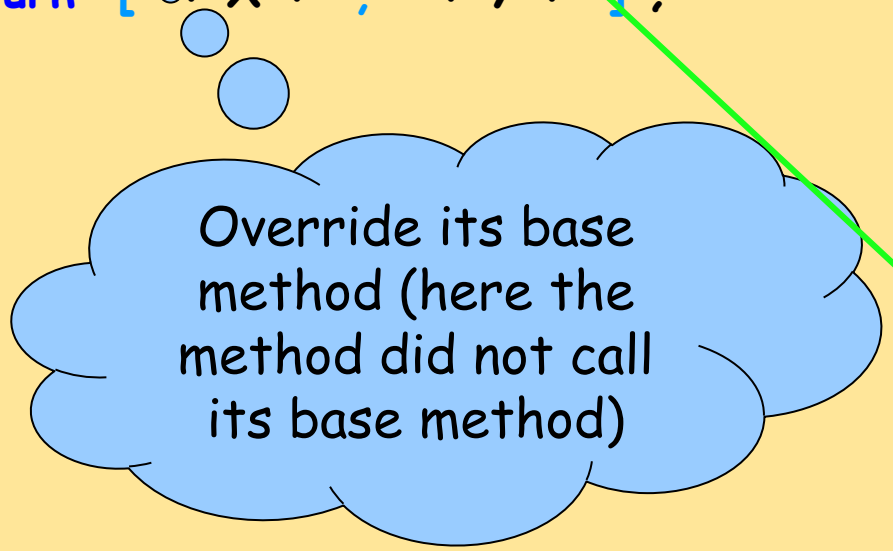
- Downcasting a pointer
- 降級指標
  - Use an explicit cast to convert a base-class pointer to a derived-class pointer
  - 必須明確指出使用降級指標 將指到原始門派的指標改成指到衍生門派的指標
  - Format:

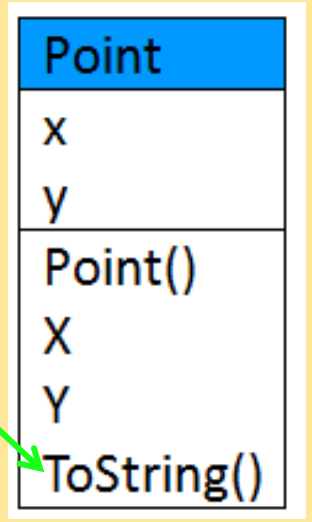
```
derivedPtr = (DerivedClass) basePtr;
```

```
1  // Fig. 9.4: Point.cs
4    using System;
7    public class Point   {
10      private int x, y;
13      public Point()     {
16      }
19      public Point( int xValue, int yValue )  {
22         X = xValue;
23         Y = yValue;
24      }
27      public int X   {
29         get   {
31            return x; }
34         set {
36            x = value; }
39       }
42      public int Y {
44         get {
46            return y; }
49         set {
51            y = value; }
54      }
```



```
57      public override string ToString() {
59          return "[" + X + ", " + Y + "]";
60      }
62  }
```

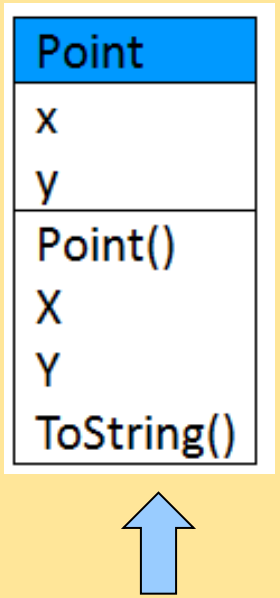




```
1    // Fig. 9.5: PointTest.cs
4    using System;
7    public class Circle : Point {
9       private double radius;
12      public Circle() {
14         // implicit call to Point constructor occurs here
15      }
18      public Circle(int xValue, int yValue, double radiusValue ):
                  base( xValue, yValue) {
21         Radius = radiusValue;
22      }
25      public double Radius  {
27         get {
29            return radius; }
32         set {
34            if ( value >= 0 )
35               radius = value; }
38      }
```

Inheritance syntax

Explicitly call its base constructor with two parameter

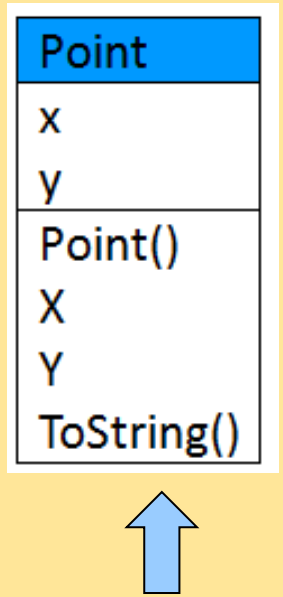


```
41      public double Diameter()  {
43          return Radius * 2;
44      }
47      public double Circumference() {
49          return Math.PI * Diameter();
50      }
53      public virtual double Area() {
55          return Math.PI * Math.Pow( Radius, 2 );
56      }

59      public override string ToString() {
62          return "Center= " + base.ToString() +
                   "; Radius = " + Radius;
64      }
66  }
```

Override its base method

Call its base method



```
4   using System;
5   using System.Windows.Forms;
8   class PointCircleTest  {
11      static void Main( string[] args )  {
13          Point point1 = new Point( 30, 50 );
14          Circle circle1 = new Circle( 120, 89, 2.7 );
16          string output = "Point point1: " + point1.ToString() +
17             "\nCircle circle1: " + circle1.ToString();
21          Point point2 = circle1;
23          output += "\n\nCCircle circle1 (via point2): " +
                       point2.ToString();
28          Circle circle2 = ( Circle ) point2;
30          output += "\n\nCircle circle1 (via circle2): " +
                       circle2.ToString();
33          output += "\nArea of circle1 (via circle2): " +
                       circle2.Area().ToString( "F" );
```

Point
x y
Point() X Y ToString()

Circle
radius
Circle() Radius Diameter() Circumference() Area() ToString()

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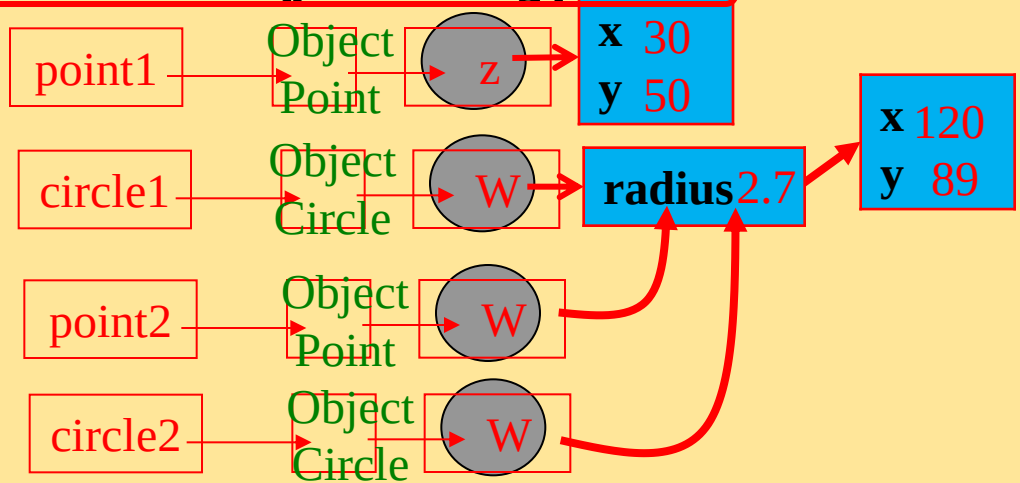
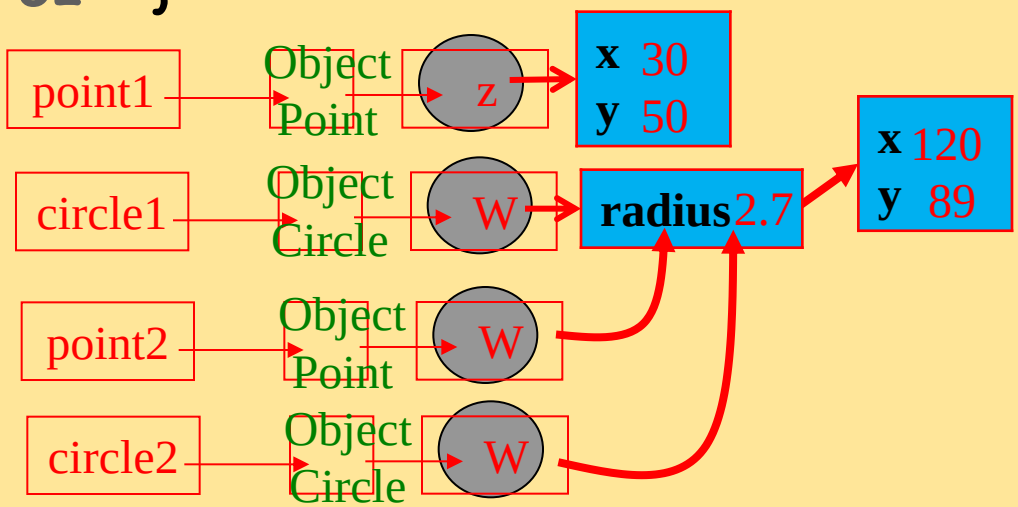
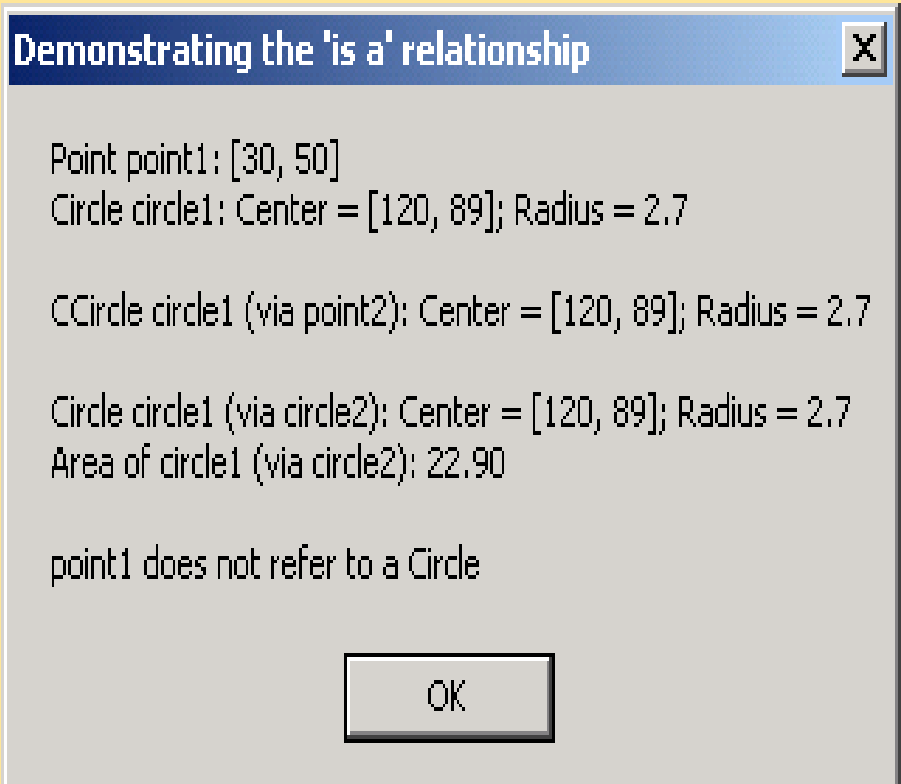
static Main()



```
37          if ( point1 is Circle ) {
39             circle2 = ( Circle ) point1;
40             output += "\n\ncast successful";
41          }
42          else    {
44             output += "\n\npoint1 does not refer to a Circle";
45          }
47          MessageBox.Show( output,
48             "Demonstrating the 'is a' relationship" );
50       }
52    }
```

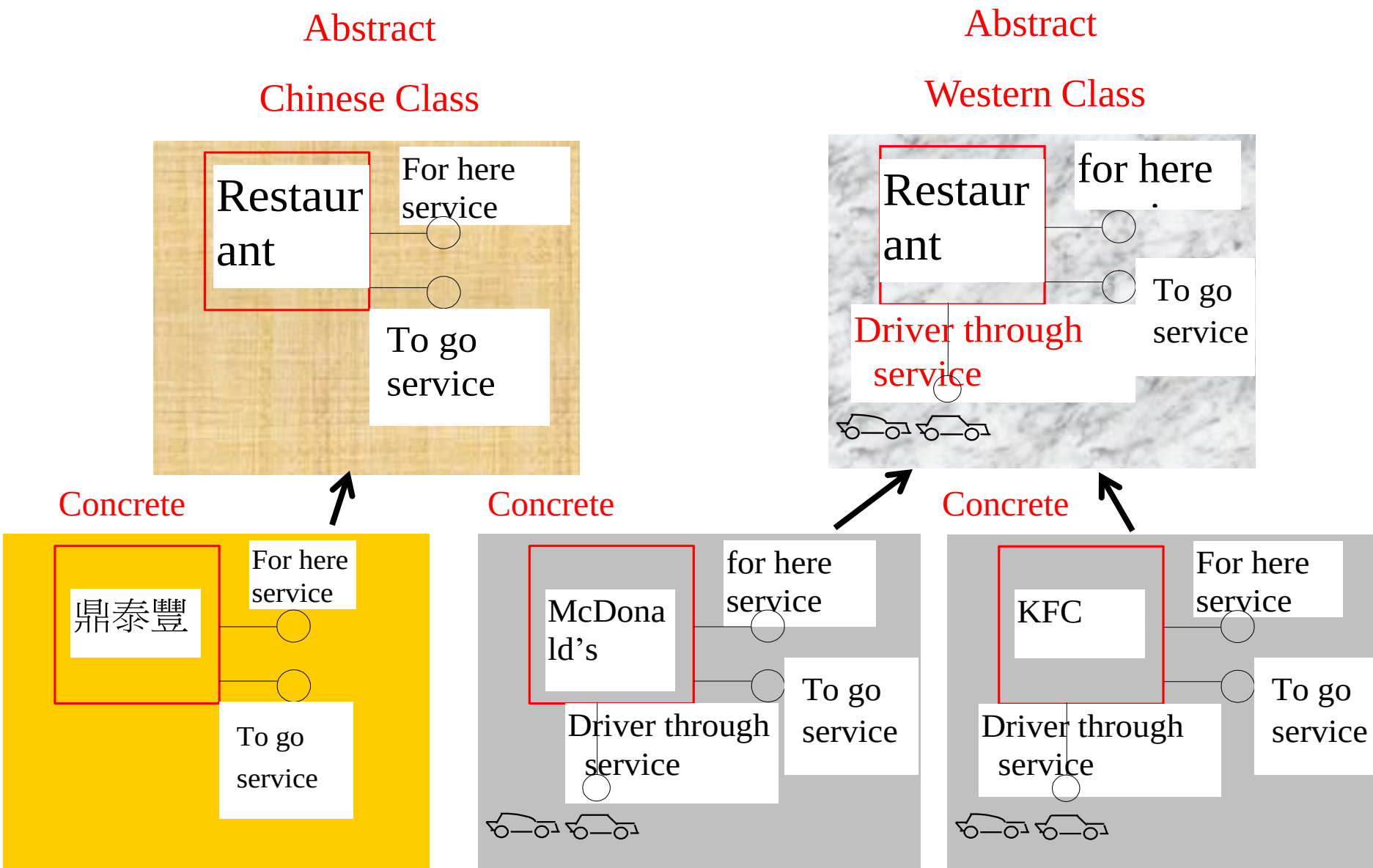




Abstract Superclasses and Concrete Classes

- Abstract classes
  - *A class is too generic to define real objects*
  - Thus, its objects cannot be instantiated
  - But the class acts as superclass from which other classes can inherit
  - *abstract class used when not sure what the future for program, but need to set a canonical class beforehand*
- Concrete classes
  - *A Class from which objects can be instantiated*

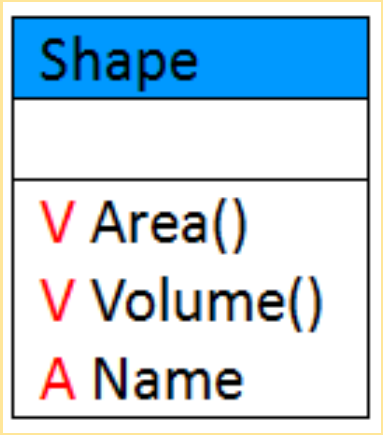
Abstract Class vs. Concrete class



Abstract Classes and Methods

- To declare a method or property abstract, use keyword **abstract** in the declaration;
  - abstract methods and properties have no implementation
  - Derived classes must override abstract methods and properties of the base class to enable instantiation
- Concrete classes use the keyword **override**
  - to provide implementations for all the abstract methods and properties of the base-class
- Cf: virtual method:
  - A method must be declared virtual if that method that the derived class should override it
- Cf: sealed method:
  - the method cannot be override in the derived class

```
3    using System;
5    public abstract class Shape {
8       public virtual double Area()  {
10         return 0;
11      }
14      public virtual double Volume() {
16         return 0;
17      }
20      public abstract string Name  {
22         get;
23      }
24   }
```



```
4    using System;
7    public class Point2 : Shape   {
9       private int x, y;
12      public Point2()   {
15      }
18      public Point2( int xValue, int yValue )   {
20         x = xValue;
21         y = yValue;
22      }
25      public int X   {
27         get   {
29            return x;
30         }
32         set   {
34            x = value;
35         }
36      }
39      public int Y   {
41         get   {
43            return y;
44         }
46         set   {
48            y = value;
49         }
50      }
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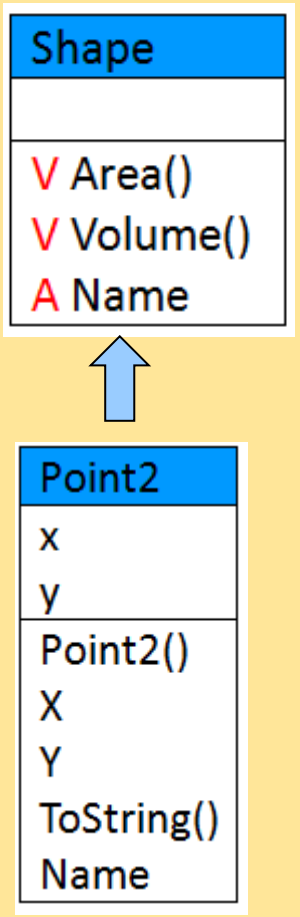
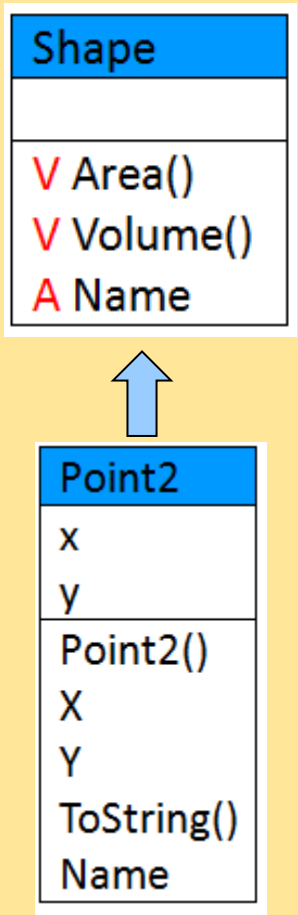
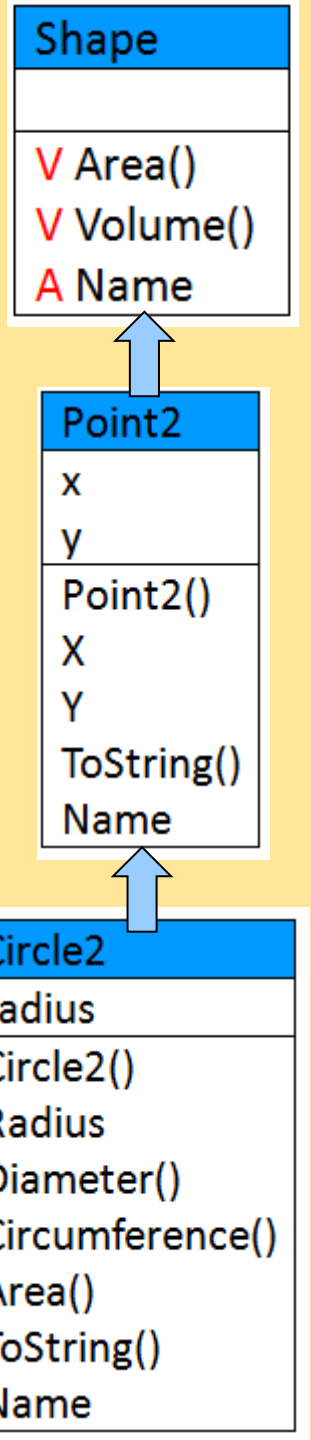


```
53      public override string ToString()   {
55          return "[" + X + ", " + Y + "]";
56      }
59      public override string Name  {
61          get    {
63              return "Point2";
64          }
65      }
67  }
```



```
3    using System;
6    public class Circle2 : Point2  {
8       private double radius;
11      public Circle2()  {
14      }
17      public Circle2( int xValue, int yValue, double radiusValue )
18         : base( xValue, yValue )  {
20         Radius = radiusValue;
21      }
24      public double Radius   {
26         get   {
28            return radius;
29         }
31         set   {
34            if ( value >= 0 )
35               radius = value;
36         }
37      }
40      public double Diameter()   {
42         return Radius * 2;
43      }
```



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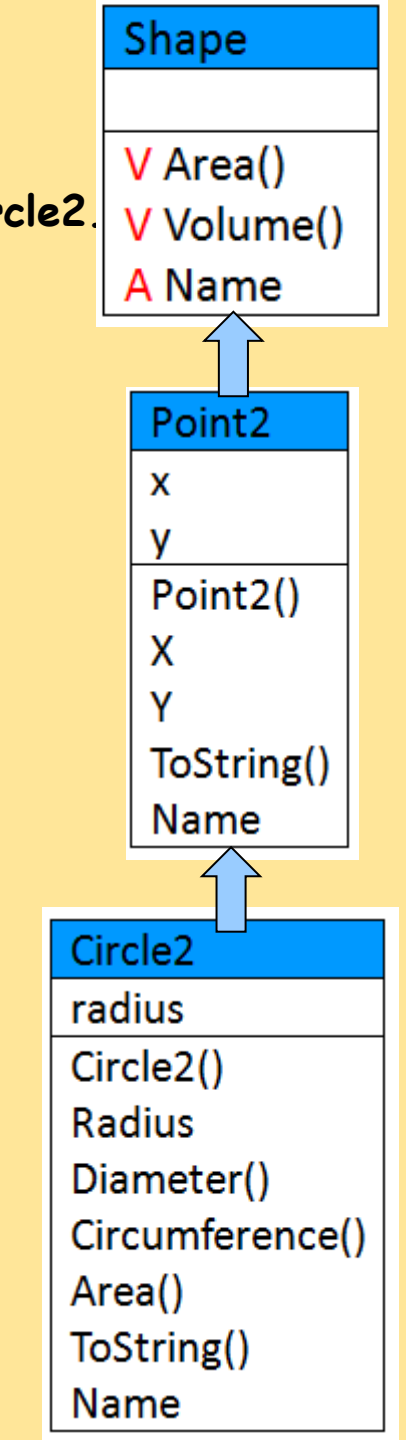
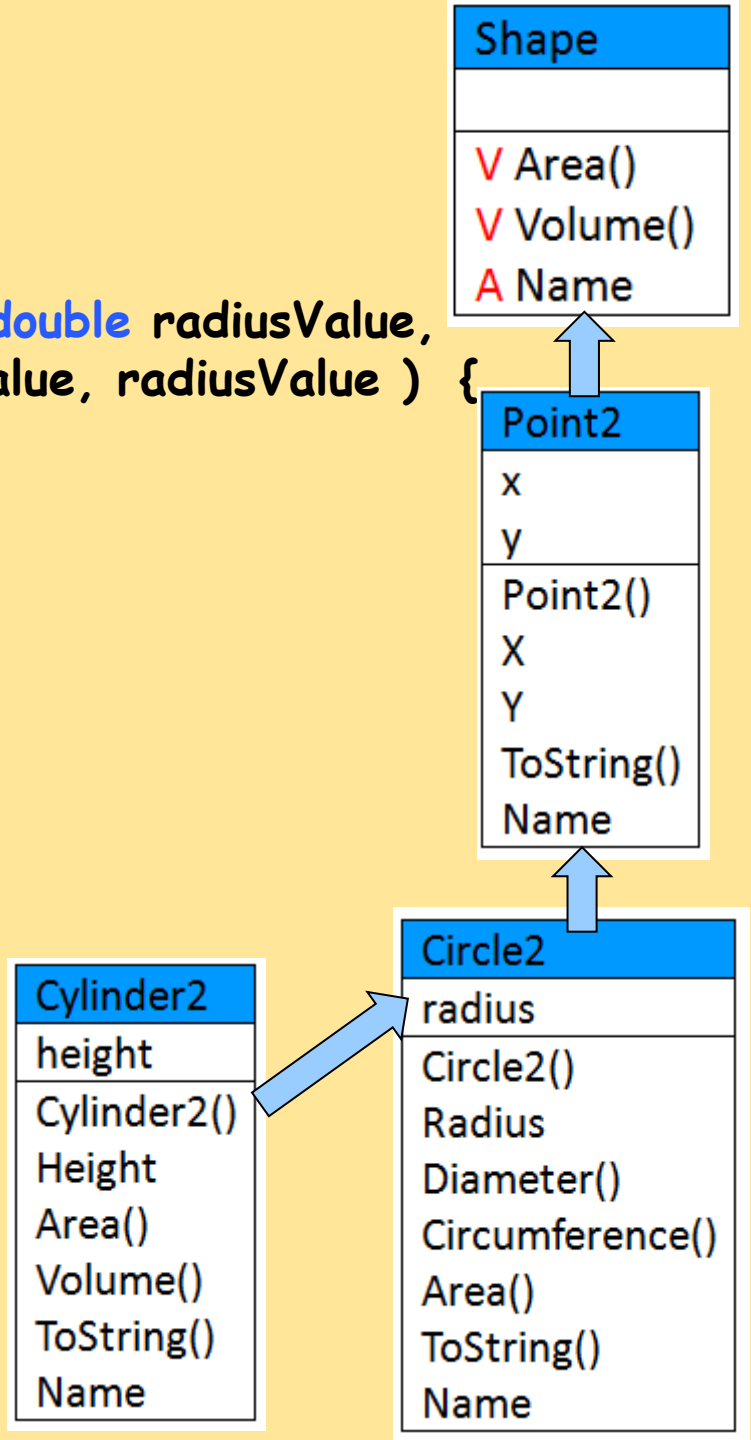
46      public double Circumference()   {
48          return Math.PI * Diameter();
49      }
52      public override double Area()  {
54          return Math.PI * Math.Pow( Radius, 2 );
55      }
58      public override string ToString()  {
60          return "Center = " + base.ToString() +
61              "; Radius = " + Radius;
62      }
65      public override string Name  {
67          get {
69              return "Circle2";
70          }
71      }
73  }
```

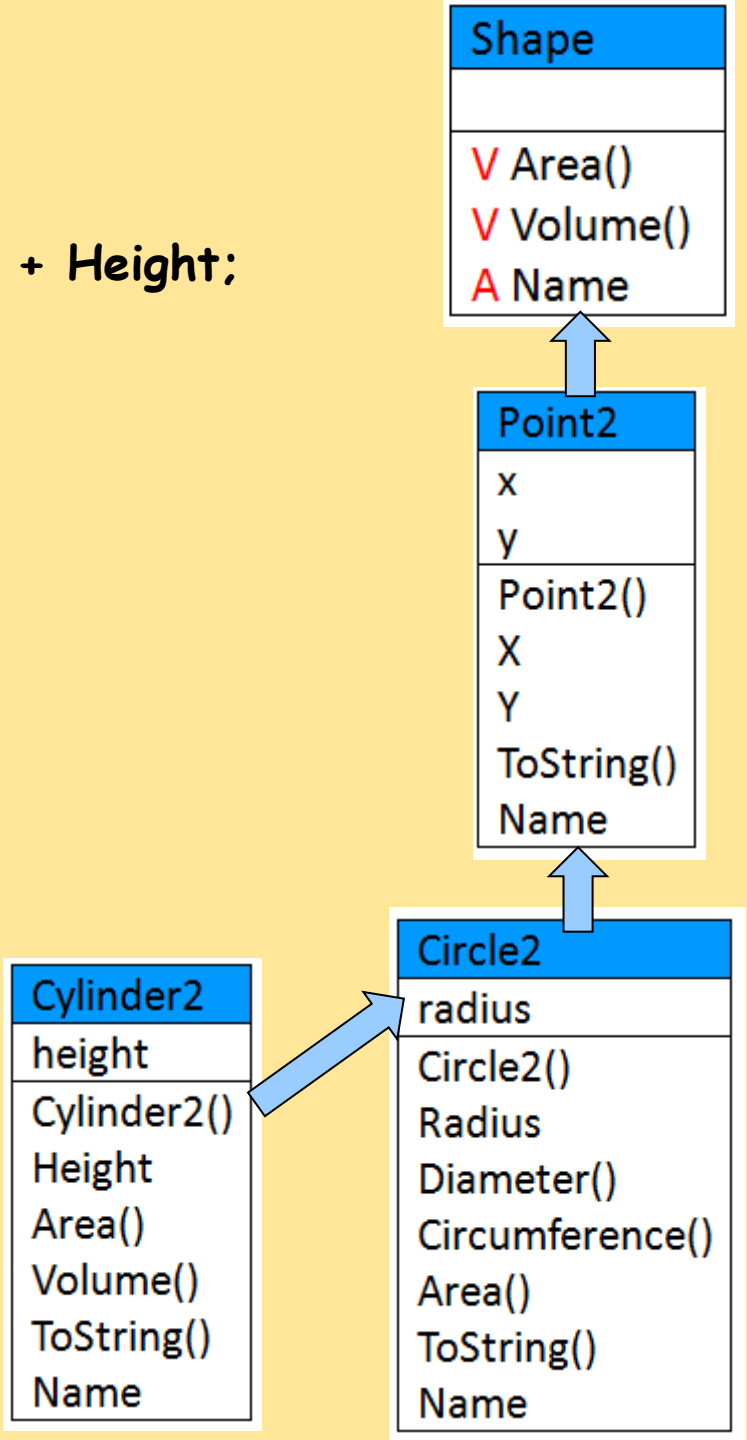
Circle2.



```
3   using System;
6   public class Cylinder2 : Circle2  {
8      private double height;
11     public Cylinder2()   {
14     }
17     public Cylinder2( int xValue, int yValue, double radiusValue,
18        double heightValue): base( xValue, yValue, radiusValue )  {
20        Height = heightValue;
21     }
24     public double Height   {
26        get     {
28           return height;
29        }
31        set  {
34           if ( value >= 0 )
35              height = value;
36        }
37     }
40     public override double Area()   {
42        return 2 * base.Area() +
            base.Circumference() * Height;
43     }
```



```
46      public override double Volume()   {
48          return base.Area() * Height;
49      }
52      public override string ToString()   {
54          return base.ToString() + "; Height = " + Height;
55      }
58      public override string Name  {
60          get     {
62              return "Cylinder2";
63          }
64      }
66  }
```



```
3    using System;
4    using System.Windows.Forms;
6    public class AbstractShapesTest  {
8       public static void Main( string[] args ) {
11         Point2 point = new Point2( 7, 11 );
12         Circle2 circle = new Circle2( 22, 8, 3.5 );
13         Cylinder2 cylinder = new Cylinder2( 10, 10, 3.3, 10 );
16         Shape[] arrayOfShapes = new Shape[ 3 ];
19         arrayOfShapes[ 0 ] = point;
22         arrayOfShapes[ 1 ] = circle;
25         arrayOfShapes[ 2 ] = cylinder;
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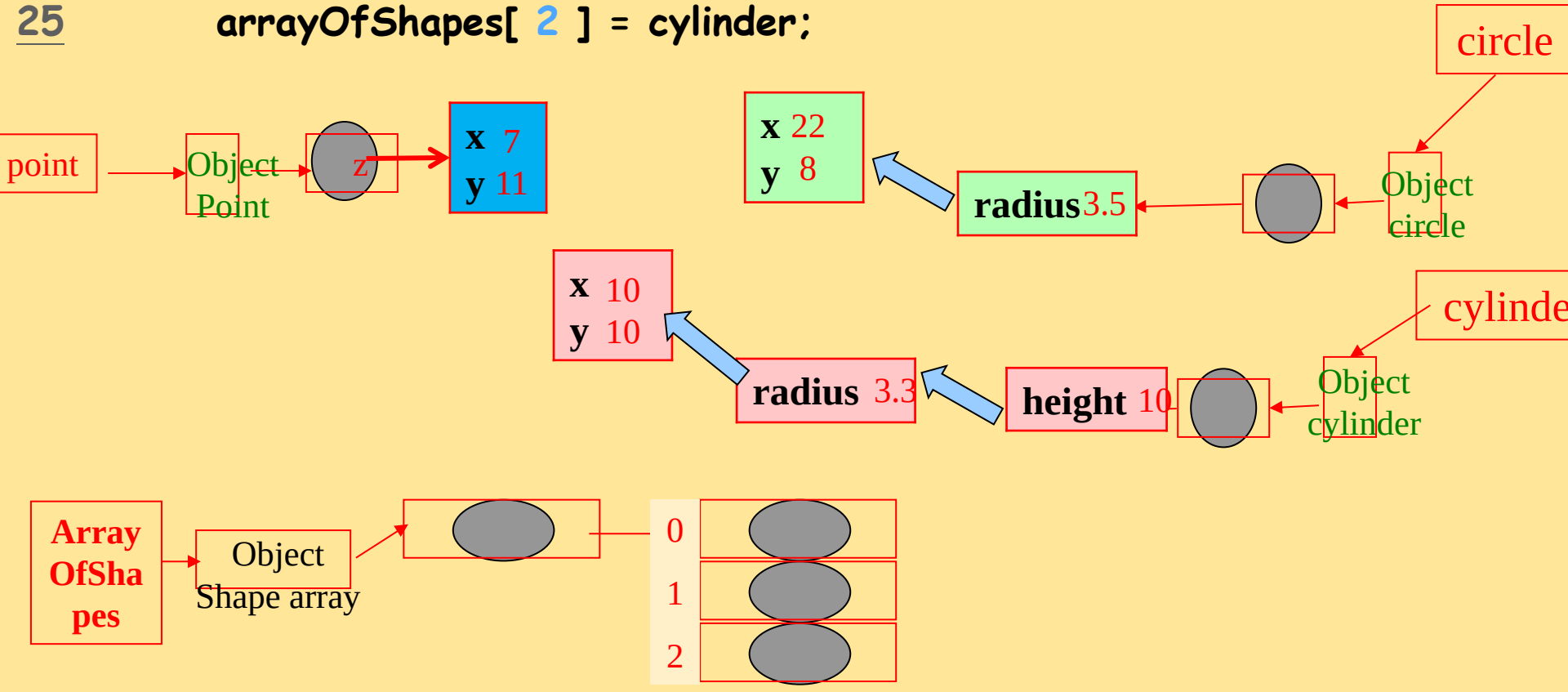
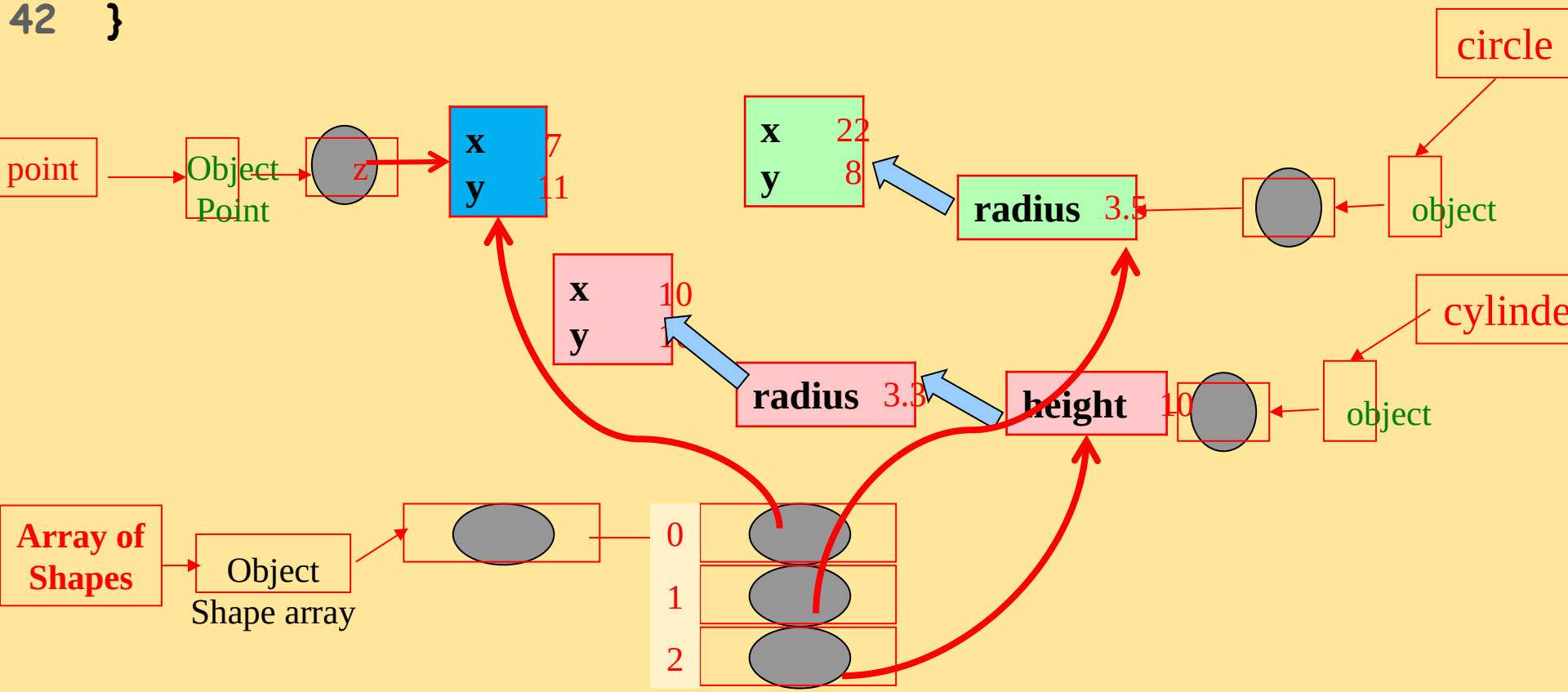
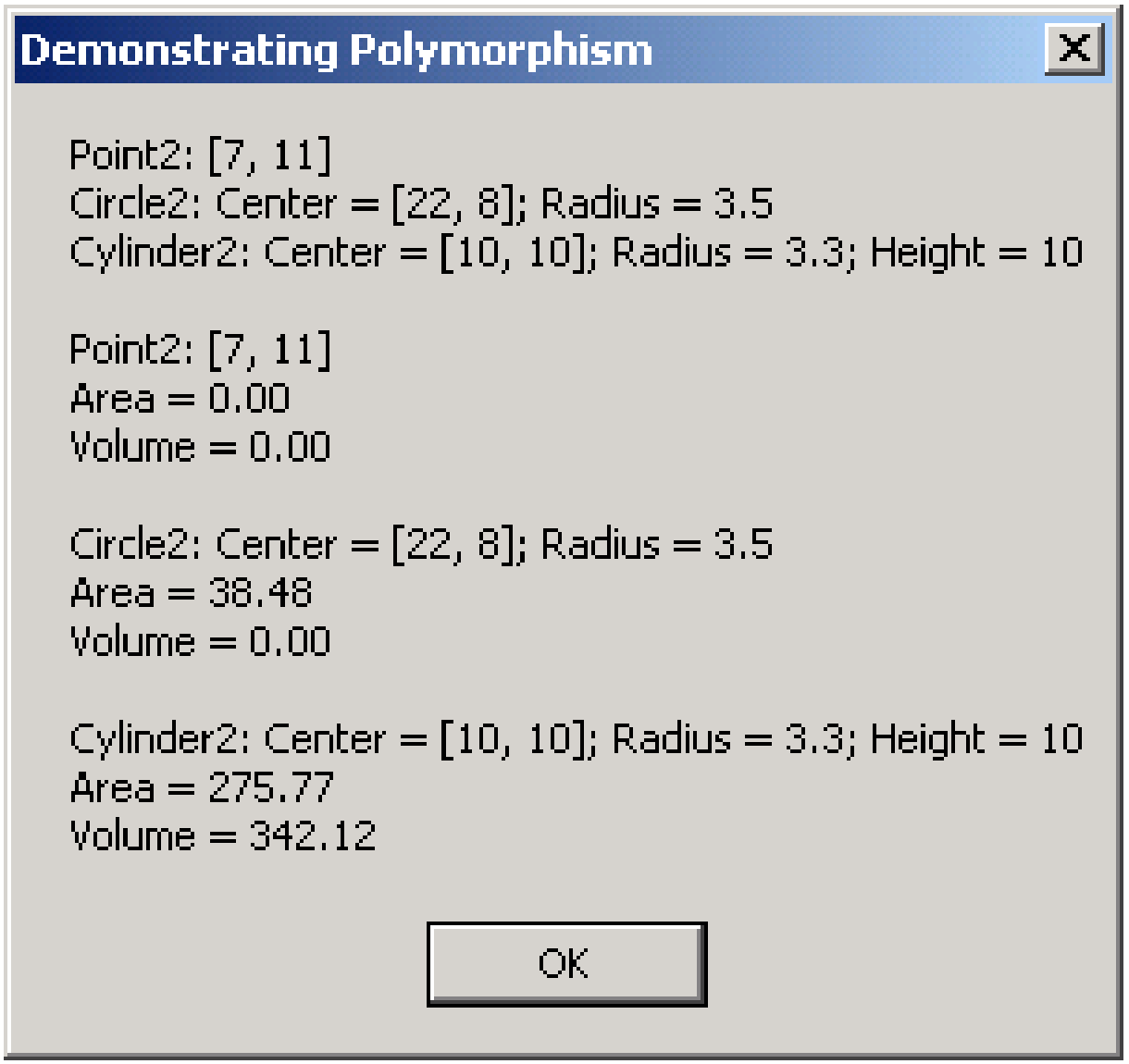


```
27          string output = point.Name + ": " + point + "\n" +
28             circle.Name + ": " + circle + "\n" +
29             cylinder.Name + ": " + cylinder;
33          foreach( Shape shape in arrayOfShapes ) {
35             output += "\n\n" + shape.Name + ": " + shape +
36                "\nArea = " + shape.Area().ToString( "F" ) +
37                "\nVolume = " + shape.Volume().ToString( "F" );
38          }
40          MessageBox.Show( output, "Demonstrating Polymorphism" );
41       }
42    }
```




Demonstrating Polymorphism
Point2: [7, 11]
Circle2: Center = [22, 8]; Radius = 3.5
Cylinder2: Center = [10, 10]; Radius = 3.3; Height = 10
Point2: [7, 11]
Area = 0.00
Volume = 0.00
Circle2: Center = [22, 8]; Radius = 3.5
Area = 38.48
Volume = 0.00
Cylinder2: Center = [10, 10]; Radius = 3.3; Height = 10
Area = 275.77
Volume = 342.12
OK