
CS 249: Assignment 6

Inheritance and Polymorphism

Theory Questions (24%)

Note: for any UML diagrams, you can use a UML drawing utility like UMLet.
For ALL classes coded and designed, make sure they are:

- Clear, consistent, and have central purpose
- Maintaining a good abstraction
- Enforcing encapsulation

1. (2%) Given a superclass "Animal" and a subclass "Walrus", write the CODE for the class definition of "Walrus". It should contain NO data or methods; just show the class definition such that "Walrus" inherits from "Animal".

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class Walrus extends Animal
```

2. (2%) Given the code below, what is this an example of?

- (a) Upcasting
 - (b) Downcasting
- (a) Upcasting

```
Animal a = new Walrus();
```

3. (2%) Is the code in the previous question legal? Briefly explain your answer.

Upcasting always executes so this is perfectly legal

4. (2%) **Design and draw the UML diagrams for the following classes:**
Also draw the inheritance relationship!

Name: **Item**

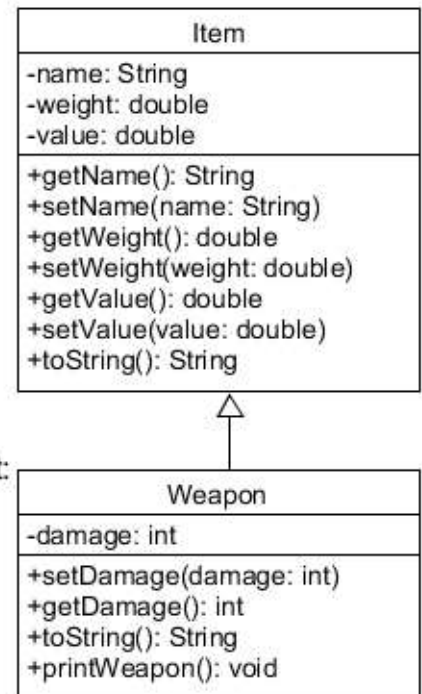
It should contain the following data:

- Name
- Weight
- Value

It should have the following functionality:

- No-arg constructor (name = "", weight = 0, value = 0)
- Constructor that takes name, weight, and value
- Getter/setter functions for data
- Override toString() to return a String with the following format:
Example: if name = "Sword", weight = 5, and value = 100:

Name: Sword
Weight: 5
Value: 100



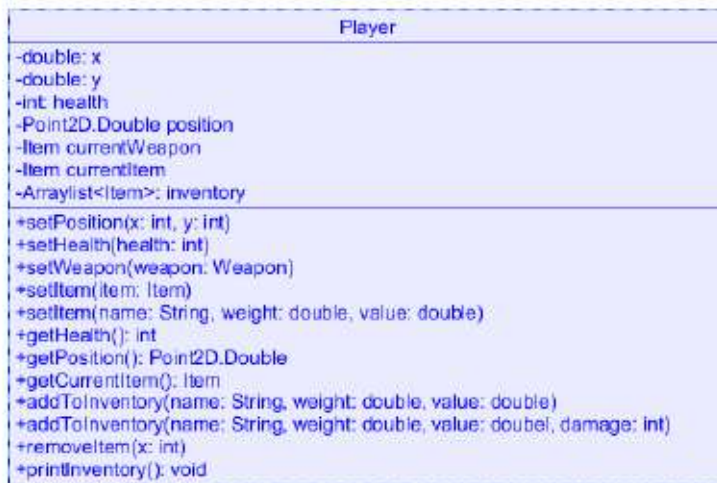
Name: **Weapon**

Use the same class from the last assignment, BUT make the following modifications:

- Inherit from Item
- Remove name field
- Add no-args constructor (damage = 0)
- Change existing constructor to take (name, weight, value, damage)
- Call the appropriate super() constructor where necessary
- Remove getter/setter functions for name (already in Item)
- Override toString() to return super.toString() + the damage:
Example: if name = "Sword", weight = 5, value = 100, and damage = 30:

Name: Sword
Weight: 5
Value: 100
Damage: 30

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5. (2%) **Modify the Player class and draw the new UML diagram for it (you do not need to draw any relationships here):**



6. (2%) A child class inherits private methods from the superclass.

- (a) True (b) False
(b) False

7. (2%) In Java, a subclass may only extend ONE superclass.

- (a) True (a) True
(b) False

8. (2%) A protected field in the superclass is accessible by a subclass, EVEN if the subclass is in a DIFFERENT package than the superclass.

- (a) True (a) True
(b) False

9. (2%) What class is the ancestor of ALL other Java classes? (I.e., it is at the very top of the inheritance tree?)

Object class

10. (2%) What Java operator allows me to check what class a given object is?

instanceOf

11. (2%) When is the no-args **super()** constructor *implicitly* called?

- (a) Never; it is only called when the programmer explicitly states it.
- (b) Only if the current constructor does not explicitly make a call to another constructor or superclass constructor. (b)
- (c) Under all circumstances.

12. (2%) To **override** a method, what must be the same?

- (a) The signature
- (b) The return type
- (c) Both (a) and (b)