



Classes



Last week

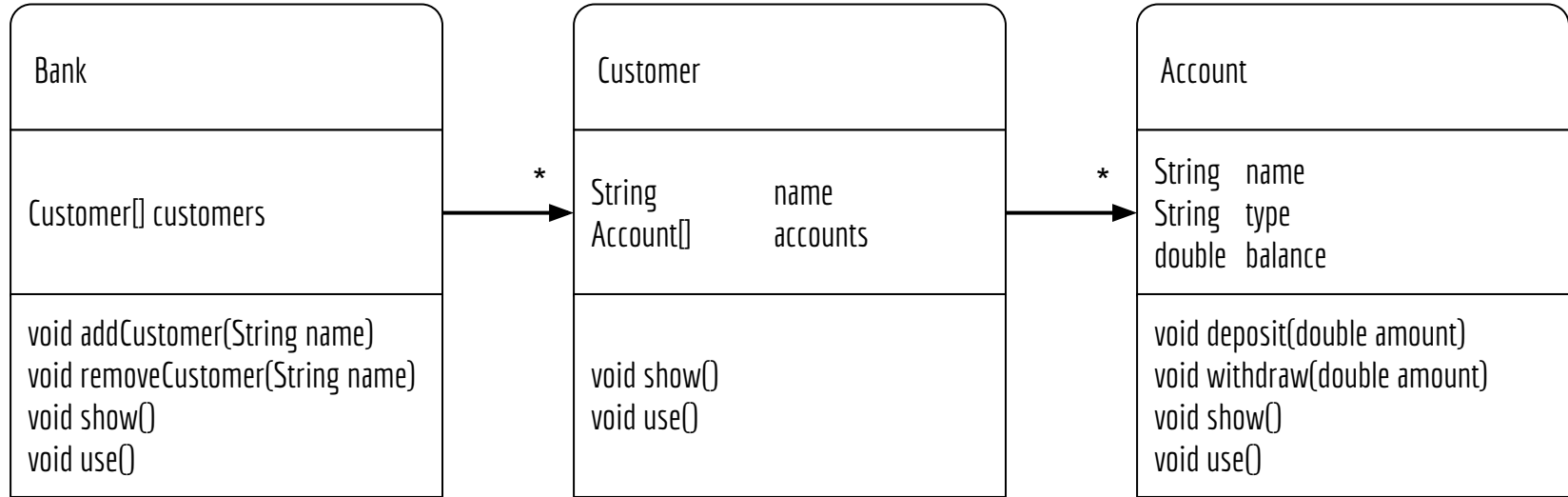
- We broke down a small program into a set of methods.
- This is “**procedural programming**”

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    showMatchingWords(readSentence());  
}  
  
public static void showMatchingWords(String sentence) {  
    System.out.println("Matching words = " + matchingWords(sentence);  
}  
  
public static int matchingWords(String sentence) {  
    int count = 0;  
    for (String word : sentence.split(" "))  
        if (anyVowels(word))  
            count++;  
  
    return count;  
}
```

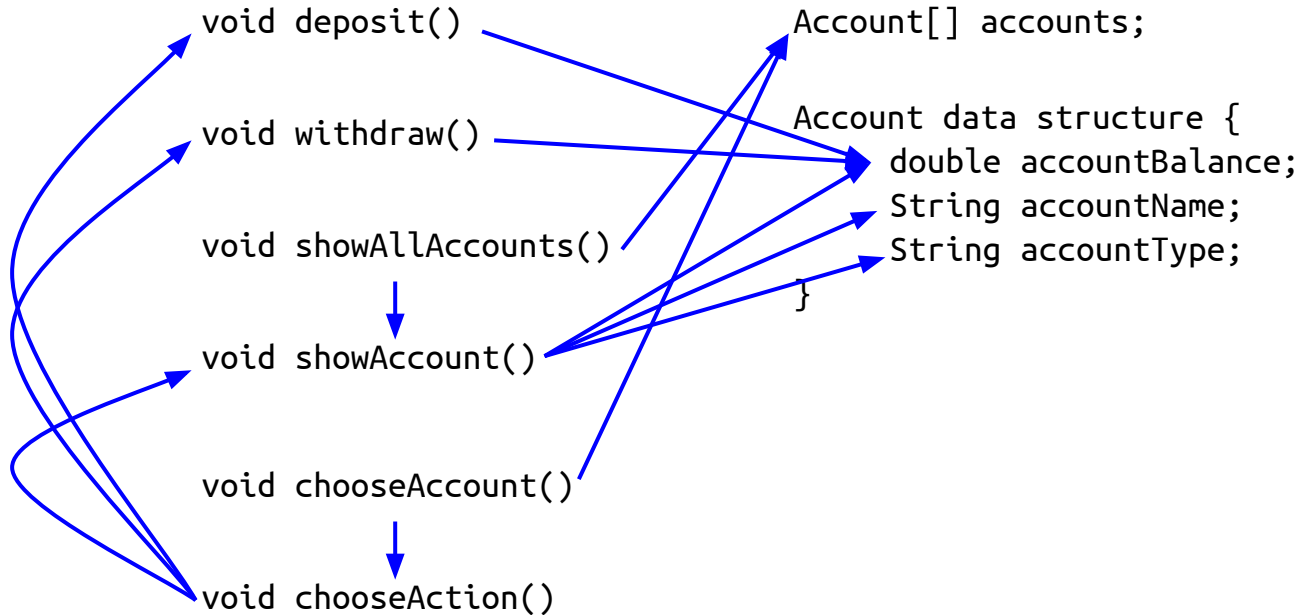
```
public static String readSentence() {  
    System.out.print("Sentence: ");  
    return In.nextLine();  
}  
  
public static boolean anyVowels(String word) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < word.length(); i++)  
        if (isVowel(word.charAt(i)))  
            return true;  
  
    return false;  
}  
  
public static boolean isVowel(char c) {  
    return "aeiou".contains(String.valueOf(c));  
}
```

This week

- We break down a larger program into classes of objects.
- This is **object oriented programming**.



Procedural Bank Program

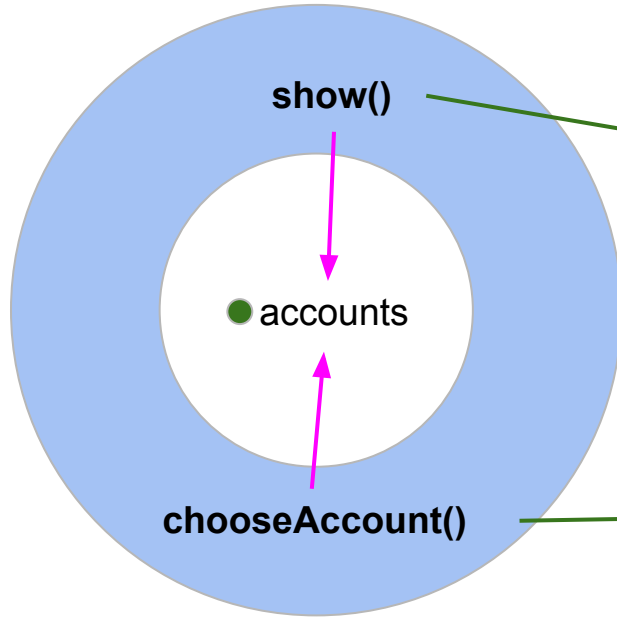


Procedural Bank Program

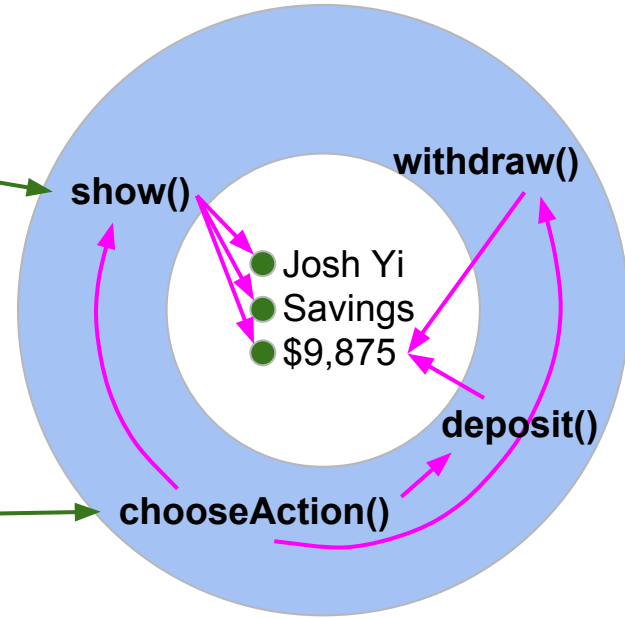
- Each program element is global.
- Dependencies between elements are not well-structured / unclear.
- Not clear how to subdivide the work among programmers in a team.
- Not clear what impact a change will have since any element can be accessed by any other element.

Object-Oriented Bank Program

A customer object:



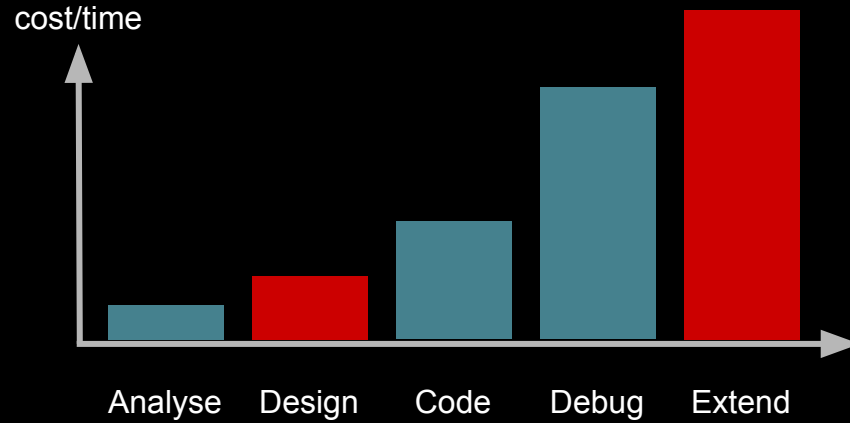
An account object:



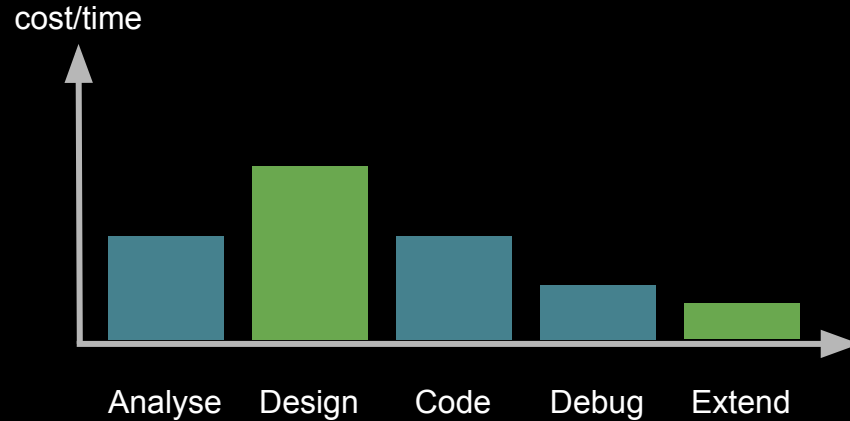
Advantages of Object-Oriented Programming

- Each kind of object has separate concerns. Different programmers can code different kinds of object without stepping on each other's toes.
- Dependencies between objects are few and easy to manage. Most dependencies are isolated within an object.
- Objects export an interface and hide the implementation details. The programmer of one object can change its internal details without bothering the programmers of other objects.
- Object structures simplify naming. e.g. if `accountBalance` is inside an `account` object, just name it `balance`.
- Objects better map onto the way the real world works. The real world has objects.

Hack/procedural



Good OO design



What is a class?

A class is a template for creating objects.

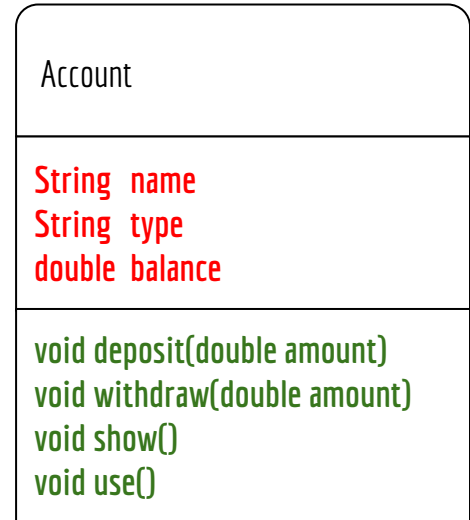
The members of a class are **fields** and **methods**.

Read: Each account has a **name**, **type** and **balance**.

You can do these things with an account:

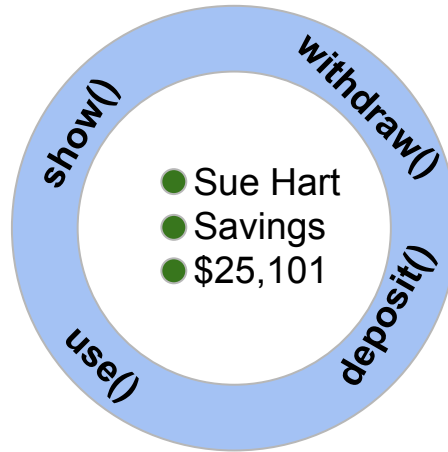
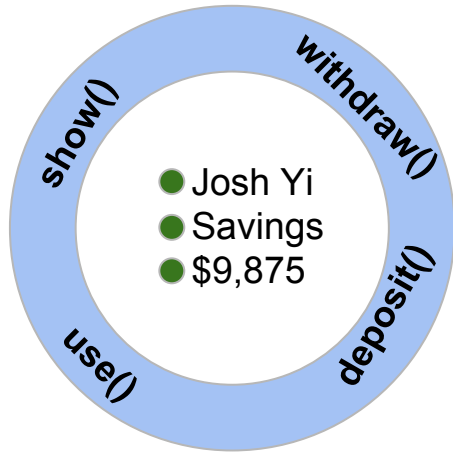
- deposit
- withdraw
- show
- use

Class diagram



What is an object?

An object is an instance of a class. Each object gets its own copy of the members.



Account	
String	name
String	type
double	balance
void deposit(double amount)	
void withdraw(double amount)	
void show()	
void use()	

Instance vs Static

- Static members:

```
private static int x;  
public static void foo() { ... }
```

- Instance members:

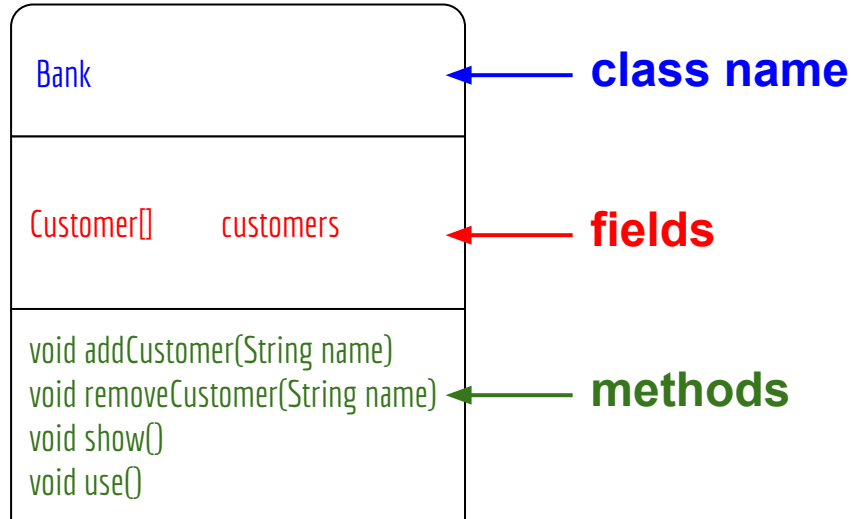
```
private int x;  
public void foo() { ... }
```

Only instance members are copied into each object.

Therefore, don't use static in objects.

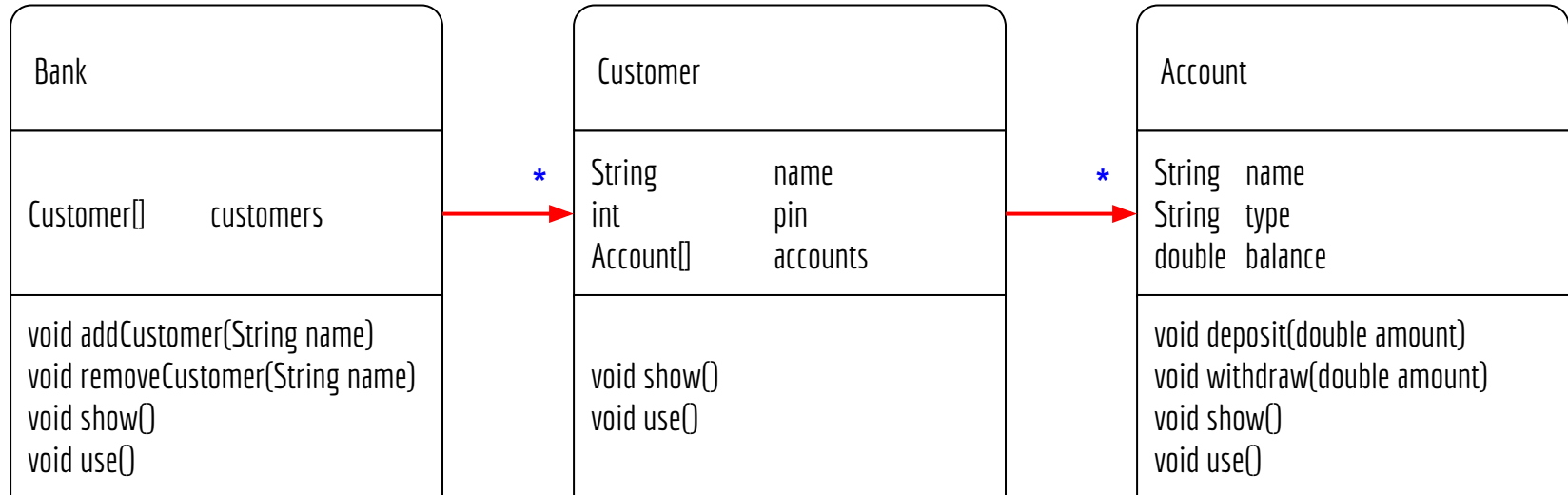
Class diagrams

- Class diagrams help us to sketch and evaluate OO program designs.
- A class is depicted as a box with **class name** / **fields** / **methods**



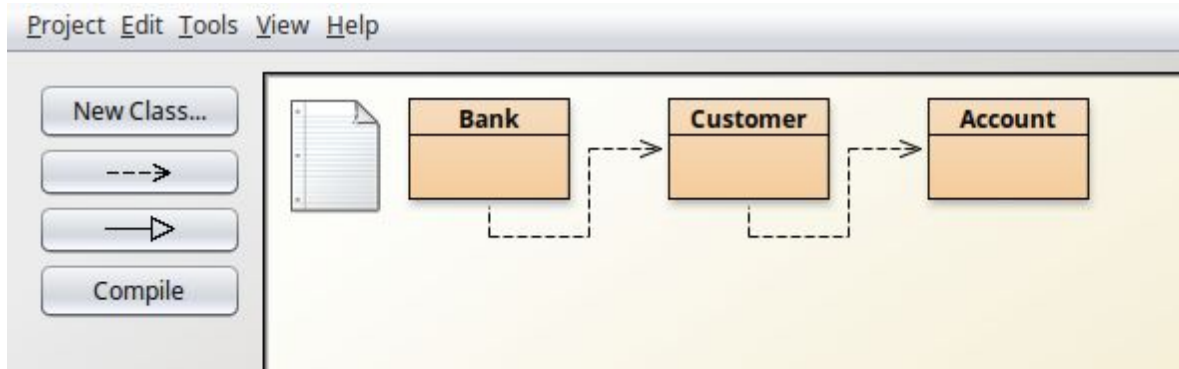
Class diagrams

- An **arrow** indicates one class uses another class.
- ***** indicates multiplicity. E.g. a Customer uses/has many accounts.



BlueJ class diagrams

- BlueJ shows simplified class diagrams
- Fields and methods not shown
- Multiplicity not shown



Design Rules

Design rules

This week we will use design rules to write good object-oriented code.

Design rules govern:

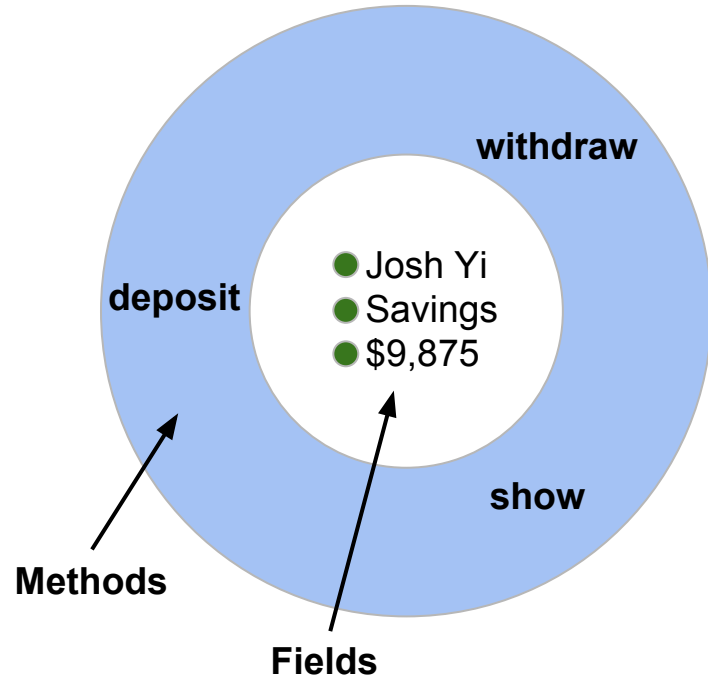
- How code should be split into separate classes and methods
- How and to what extent code should interact

Design rule #1: Encapsulation

Encapsulation:

- Fields are **hidden** behind methods
 - fields are always private
 - methods may be public
- An **object** encapsulates related fields+methods.
- **Rule:** If a method uses a field, it is defined in the same class.

An account object:



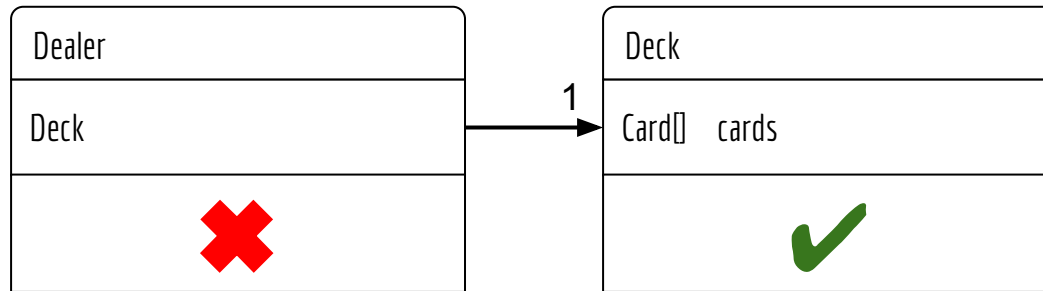
Design rule #2: Push it right

Goal: Shuffle a deck of standard playing cards.

Question: Which class is responsible?

- a) ~~The dealer should shuffle the deck.~~ (The cards are private inside the deck)
- b) The deck should shuffle itself. (YES: the deck has direct access the cards)

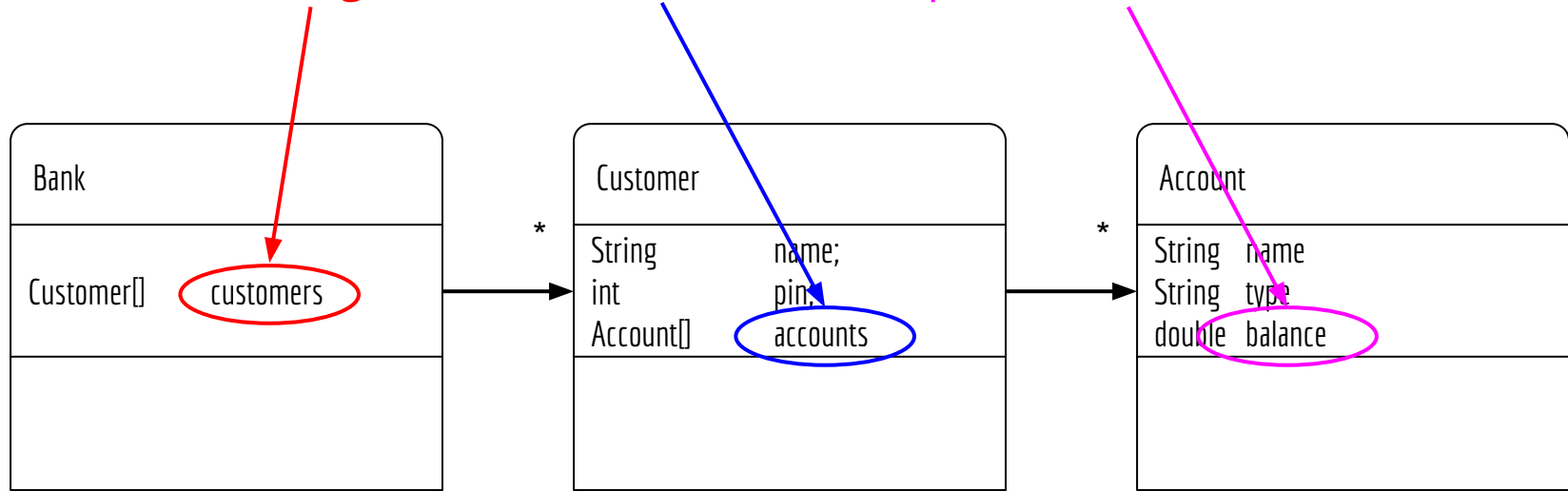
Payoff: The deck is more useful. The shuffle method is more reusable.



Design rule #3: Spread plans across classes

Goal: Use a customer's account at the bank.

Scenario: User logs in, selects an account, deposits or withdraws.

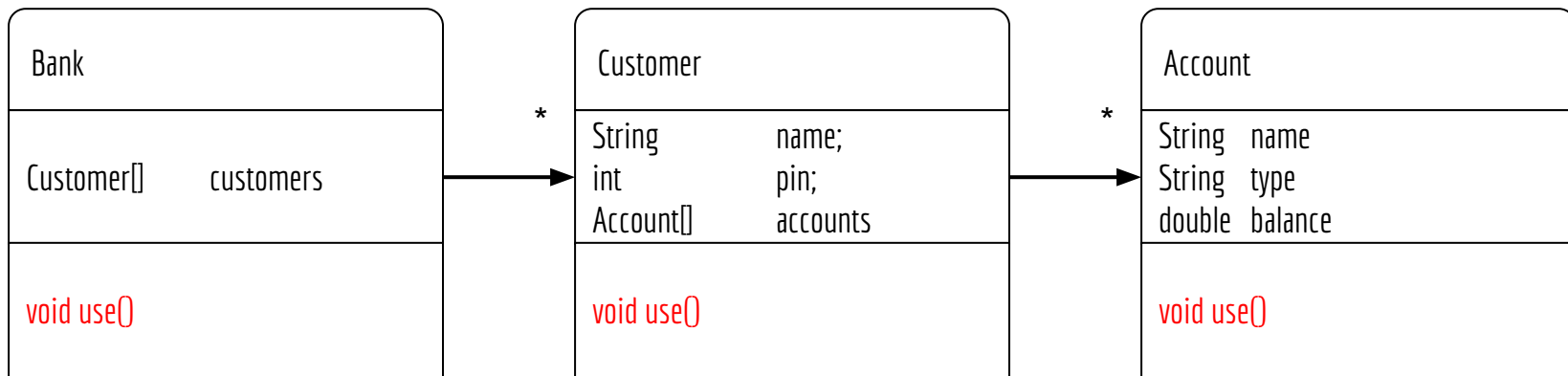


Question: Which class is responsible? **Answer:** ALL classes are responsible!

Design rule #3: Spread plans across classes

Goal: Use a customer's account at the bank.

- Convention: Use the **same method name** across classes for the **same goal**.



Design rule #4: Hide by default

- Make everything private unless there is a reason to make it public.
- Make all fields private.
- Make methods private if no other class needs to use them.
- Make methods public only if other classes need to use them.

Access modifiers

Class members may be declared with an access modifier.

- **private:** can be accessed only within the class.
`private double readBalance()`
- **no modifier:** can also be accessed within the package.
`String getPassword()`
- **protected:** can also be accessed by subclasses.
`protected int width;`
- **public:** can also be accessed by other classes.
`public void deposit()`

Class format

```
<import statements>
public class <class name> {
    <fields>
    <constructors>
    <methods>
    <toString>
    <getters/setters>
}
```

Import statements

```
import java.io.*;  
import java.text.*;  
import java.util.*;  
import javax.swing.*;
```


Class declaration

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
}
```

Class names begin with an uppercase letter.

Fields

```
public class Account {  
    private String name;  
    private String type;  
    private double balance;  
    ...  
}
```

Fields begin with a lowercase letter.
Fields are always private.

Constants

```
public class Account {  
    public static final double ADMIN_FEE = 10.0;  
    private String name;  
    private String type;  
    private double balance;  
  
    ...  
}
```

Constants are final fields.

Constants are normally public.

Constants are normally static.

Constants are ALL UPPERCASE.

Constructors

Goal: Initialise a new object.

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
    public Account() {  
        name = ...;  
        type = ...;  
        balance = ...;  
    }  
}
```

Constructors are named after the class.
Constructors have no return type.
Constructors initialise the fields of a newly created object.

Constructors approach #1: initialise from literals

Goal: Initialise a new object with literal values.

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
    public Account() {  
        name = "Default name";  
        type = "Savings";  
        balance = 0.0;  
    }  
}
```

Initialise with default values.

Constructors approach #2: initialise from user

Goal: Initialise a new object with values read from the user.

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
    public Account() {  
        name = readName();  
        type = readType();  
        balance = readBalance();  
    }  
}
```

Use the read pattern.

Constructors approach #3: initialise from params

Goal: Initialise a new object from parameters.

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
    public Account(String name, String type, double balance) {  
        this.name = name;  
        this.type = type;  
        this.balance = balance;  
    }  
}
```

Parameters are named after fields.
Use **this.<name>** to refer to a field.
Use **<name>** to refer to a parameter.

The “this” keyword

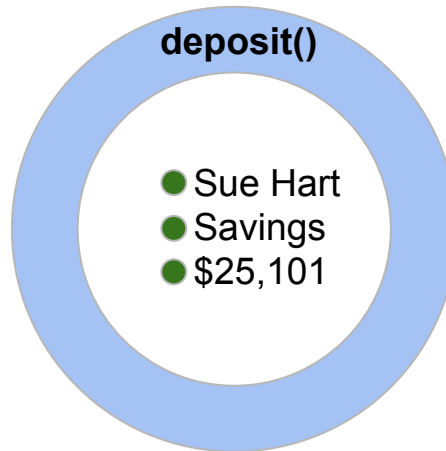
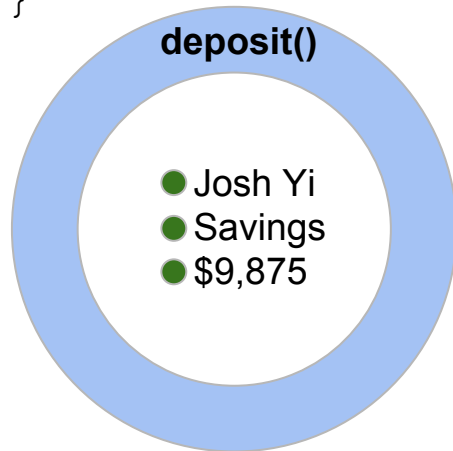
- `this` is a reference to the current object.
- `this.<member>` accesses a member of the current object.
- `<member>` also accesses a member of the current object.unless there is a local variable or parameter with the same name. Then you must use `this.<member>`

e.g.

- `janesAccount.deposit(10.0) ; // call deposit on another object`
- `this.deposit(10.0) ; // deposit on myself`
- `deposit(10.0) ; // call deposit on myself`

Methods

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
    public void deposit(double amount) {  
        balance += amount;  
    }  
}
```



Methods begin with a lowercase letter.

Use **instance** methods NOT **static** methods.

Each instance of class Account will have its own **deposit** method.

Design rule #4 (again): Hide by default

```
public class Account {  
    public Account() {  
        name = readName();  
        type = readType();  
        balance = readBalance();  
    }  
    private String readName() {  
        System.out.print("Account name: ");  
        return In.nextLine();  
    }  
}
```

The readName() method is only used within class Account.

No outside class needs it.

Make it **private**.

toString method

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
    @Override  
    public String toString() {  
        return "The account has $" + balance;  
    }  
}
```

Returns a string representation of the object.
This is a standard method of all classes and we override the default behaviour.

Format to 2 decimal places - pattern

Goal: Show to two decimal places.

```
@Override
public String toString() {
    return "The account has $" + formatted(balance);
}
private String formatted(double value) {
    DecimalFormat f = new DecimalFormat("###,##0.00");
    return f.format(value);
}
```

0 means always show a digit. # means show a digit if needed.

Package to import: `java.text.*`

Getter and setter methods

```
public class Account {  
    private String name;  
    ...  
    public String getName() {  
        return name;  
    }  
    public void setName(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
}
```

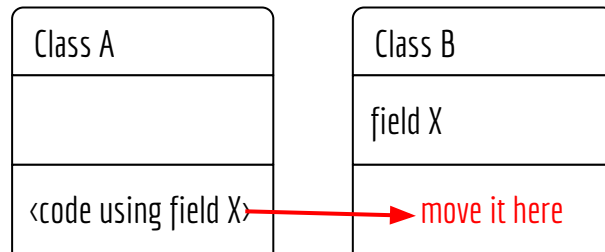
- A getter returns a field
The name is **get<Field>**
- A setter sets a field
The name is **set<Field>**

Design rule #4 (again!): Hide by default

- Getters and setters export a field.
- Almost like making a field public.
- Avoid using getters and setters.

There is usually a better way!

- If code in class A needs to get access to a field in class B, consider moving the code into class B.
- See design rule #2: **“Push it right”**

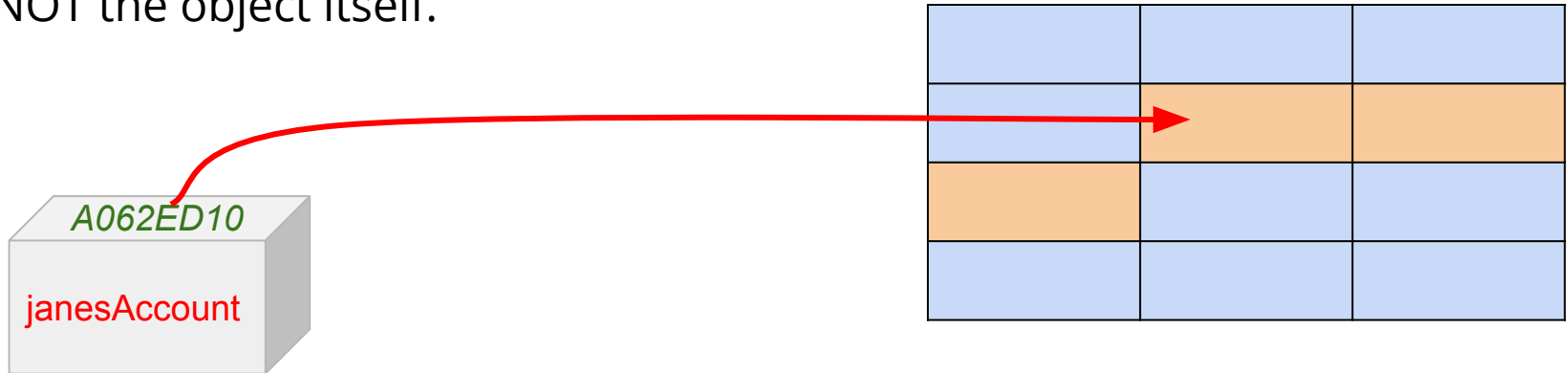


Creating an object

- Creating an object using a constructor:

```
Account janesAccount = new Account("Jane Knowles", "Savings", 25283.21) ;
```

- `new` returns the memory address of the new object.
The memory address is also known as: "reference" / "pointer".
- The variable `janesAccount` stores a pointer to the object,
NOT the object itself.



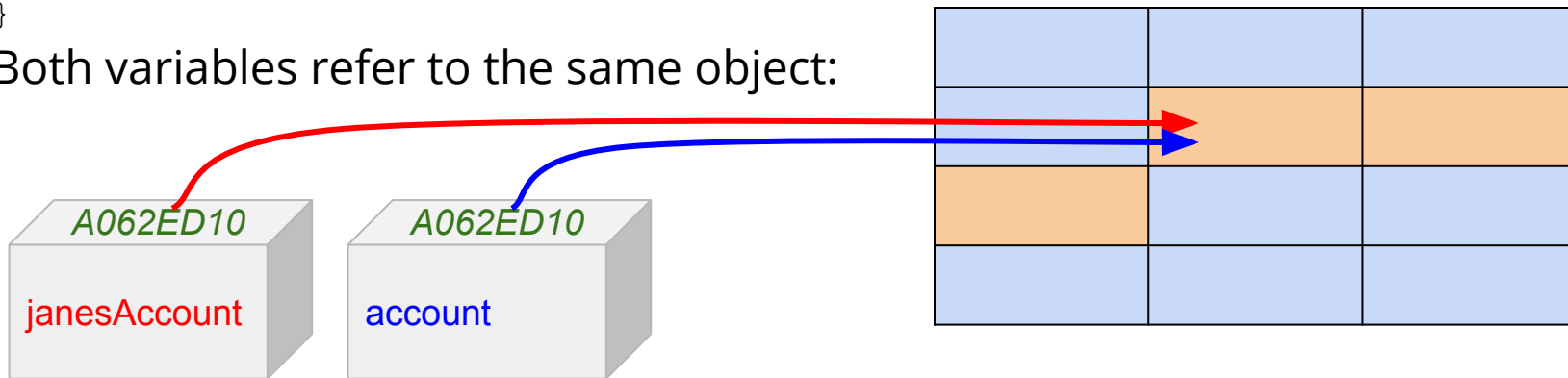
Passing an object

- Passing an object actually passes the memory address.

```
Account janesAccount = new Account("Jane Knowles", "Savings", 25283.21) ;  
use(janesAccount)
```

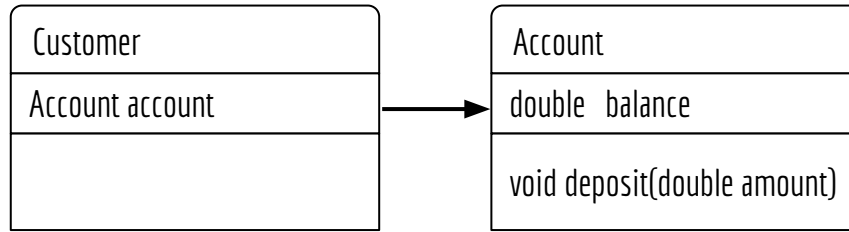
```
private void use(Account account) {  
    ... use account here ...  
}
```

Both variables refer to the same object:



Client/supplier interactions

- A **client** class uses a **supplier** class. e.g. A Customer uses an Account:



- Client code:

```
public class Customer {
    ...
    account.deposit(10.0);
    ...
}
```

- Supplier code:

```
public class Account {
    ...
    public void deposit(double amount)
    {
        balance += amount;
    }
    ...
}
```

Using a toString method

- Using another object's toString method

Explicitly: `System.out.println(janesAccount.toString());`

Implicitly: `System.out.println(janesAccount);`

- Using this object's toString method

Explicitly without this: `System.out.println(toString());`

Explicitly with this: `System.out.println(this.toString());`

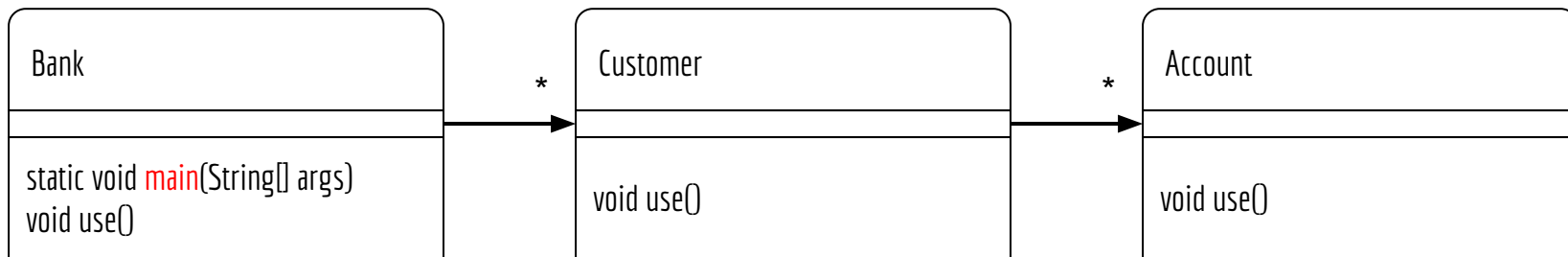
Implicitly with this: `System.out.println(this);`

The “main” method

From this week, the main method is the **only** static method. It creates and uses the first object.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Bank bank = new Bank();  
    bank.use();  
}
```

The main method is defined in the main (left-most) class.



Process

Process: words-to-code

Analysis: Read the specification. Analyse the words to guide your design.

- A **noun** may be a class, a field or a function.
- A **verb** is a procedure
- An **adjective** is a boolean field or function.
- <noun 1> **has** <noun 2> suggests <noun 2> is a field of class <noun 1>
- <noun 1> **of** <noun 2> suggest <noun 1> is a field of class <noun 2>

Process steps

- Analysis/Design
 - Read the specification
 - Identify the classes and fields (analyse the **nouns**)
 - Identify the constructors (look for these words: **initial**, **create**, **add**)
 - Identify the goals (analyse the **verbs**)
 - Write these down on a class diagram, following design rules
- Coding
 - Code the classes and fields
 - Code the constructors
 - Write a plan for each goal (patterns and key code)
 - Code the goals as methods
 - Add the main method

Specification

A customer has one bank account. The initial balance is read in.

The customer can deposit, withdraw, and show the balance with two decimal places.

The amounts to deposit and withdraw are read in.



NOUNS

(classes and fields)



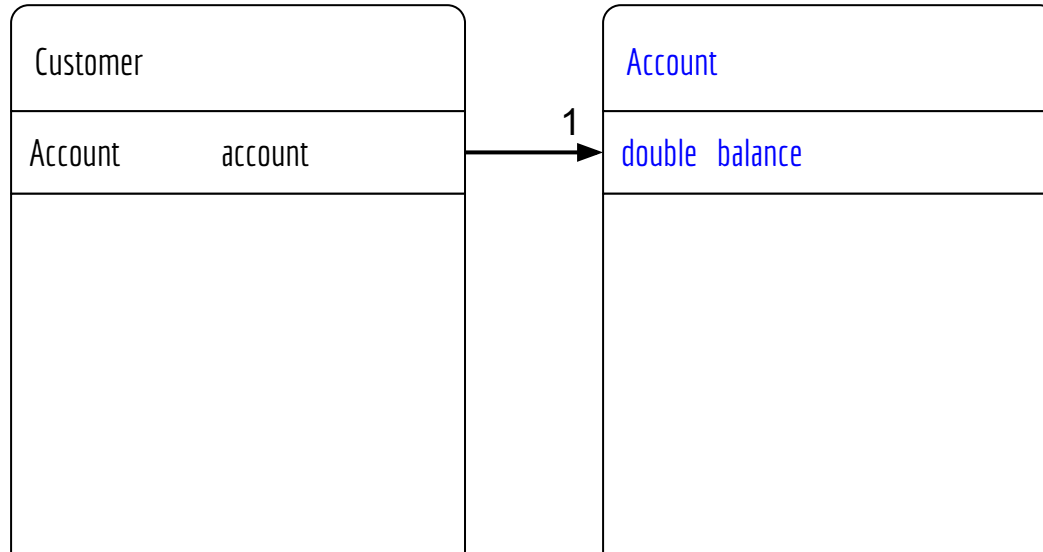
Nouns

A **customer** **has** one **bank account**.

Customer	
Account	account

Nouns

The initial **balance (of the account)** is read in.



Code

```
public class Customer {  
    private Account account;  
}
```

```
public class Account {  
    private double balance;  
}
```

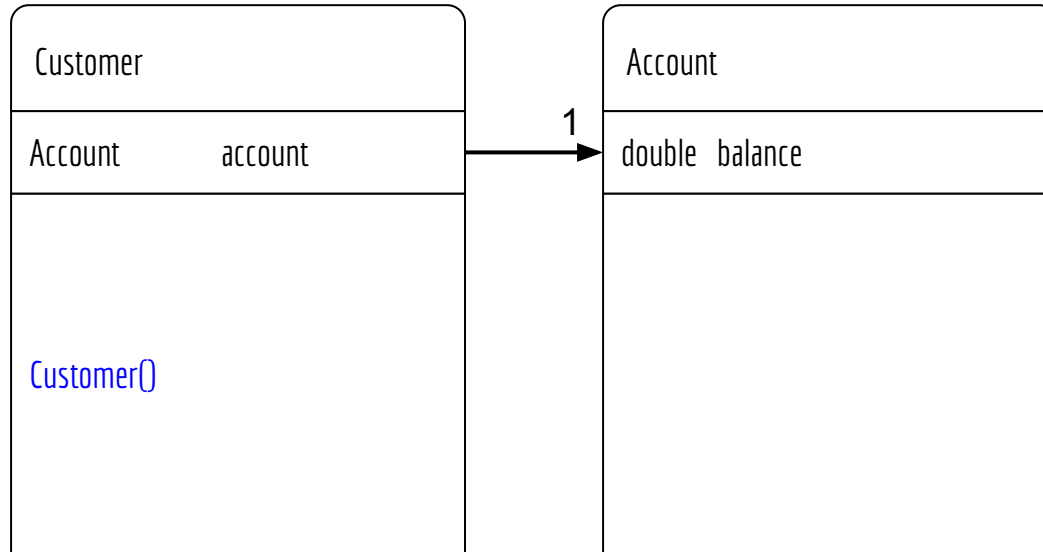


Initialisation (constructors)



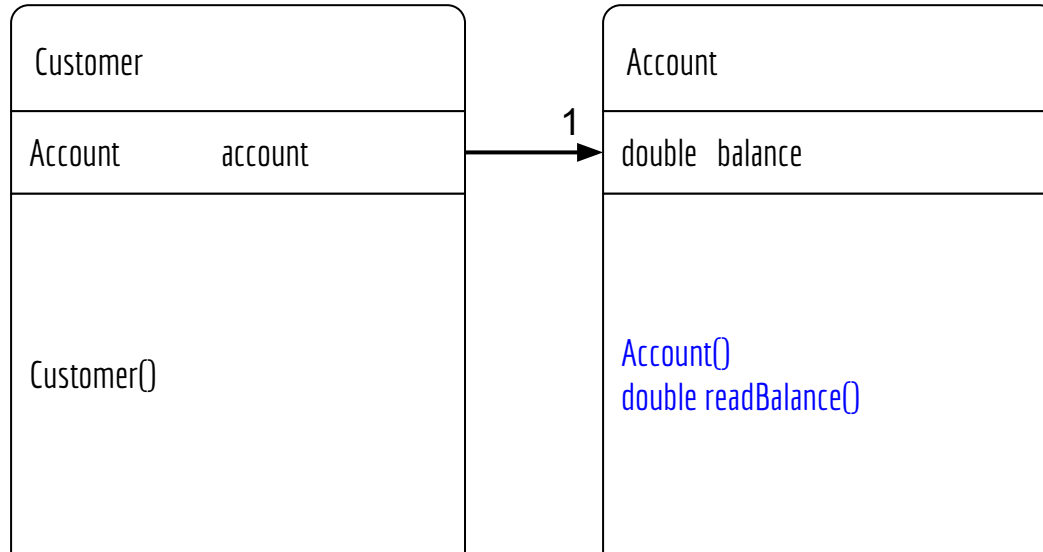
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Initialisation

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Code

```
public class Customer {  
    private Account account;  
  
    public Customer() {  
        account = new Account();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Account {  
    private double balance;  
  
    public Account() {  
        balance = readBalance();  
    }  
  
    private double readBalance() {  
        System.out.print("Balance: $");  
        return In.nextDouble();  
    }  
}
```

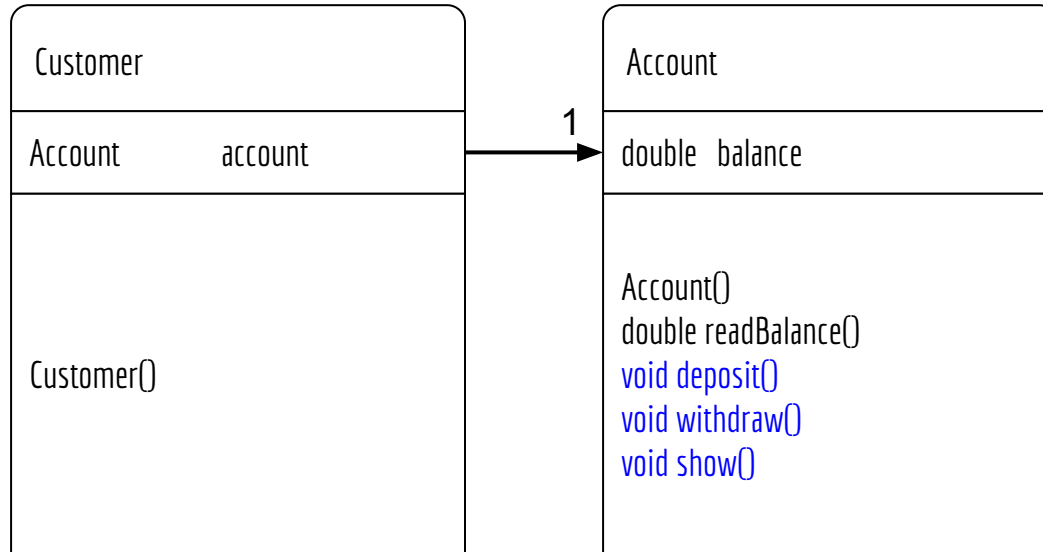


VERBS (Goals)



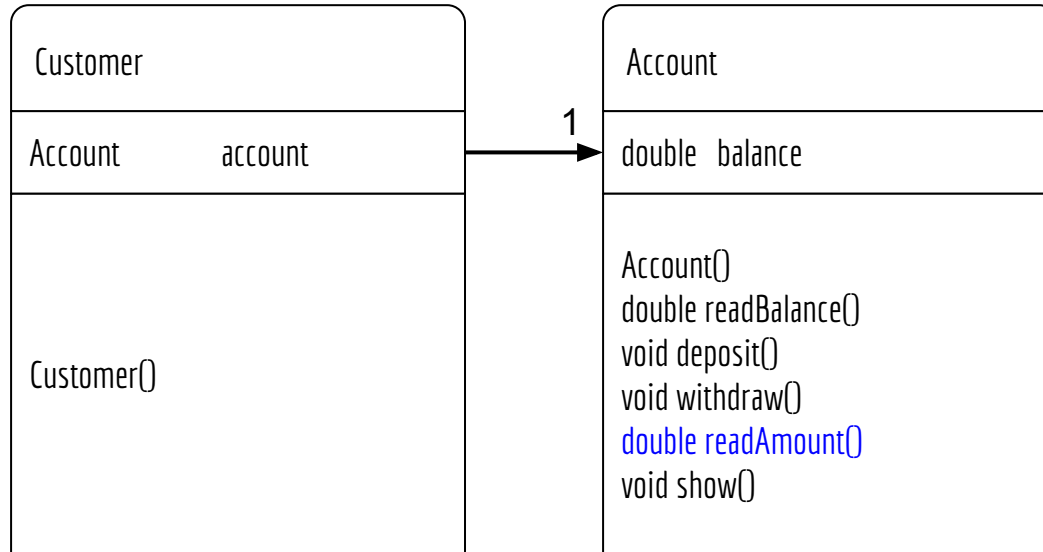
Verbs

The customer can deposit, withdraw, and show the balance



Verbs

The **amounts** to deposit and withdraw are read in.



Goal analysis

List the goals:

- **deposit**: read in the amount
- **withdraw**: read in the amount
- **show**: the balance, formatted

Devise a plan for each goal

Words to code

Goal	Plan / key code
deposit	<code>balance += readAmount();</code>
withdraw	<code>balance -= readAmount();</code>
show	<code>toString, formatted</code>

Code

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
    public void deposit() {  
        balance += readAmount("deposit");  
    }  
    public void withdraw() {  
        balance -= readAmount("withdraw");  
    }  
    private double readAmount(String action) {  
        System.out.print("Amount to "  
            + action + ": $");  
        return In.nextDouble();  
    }  
}
```

```
    public void show() {  
        System.out.println(this);  
    }  
    @Override  
    public String toString() {  
        return "The account has $"  
            + formatted(balance);  
    }  
    private String formatted(double amount) {  
        return new DecimalFormat("###,##0.00")  
            .format(amount);  
    }  
}
```

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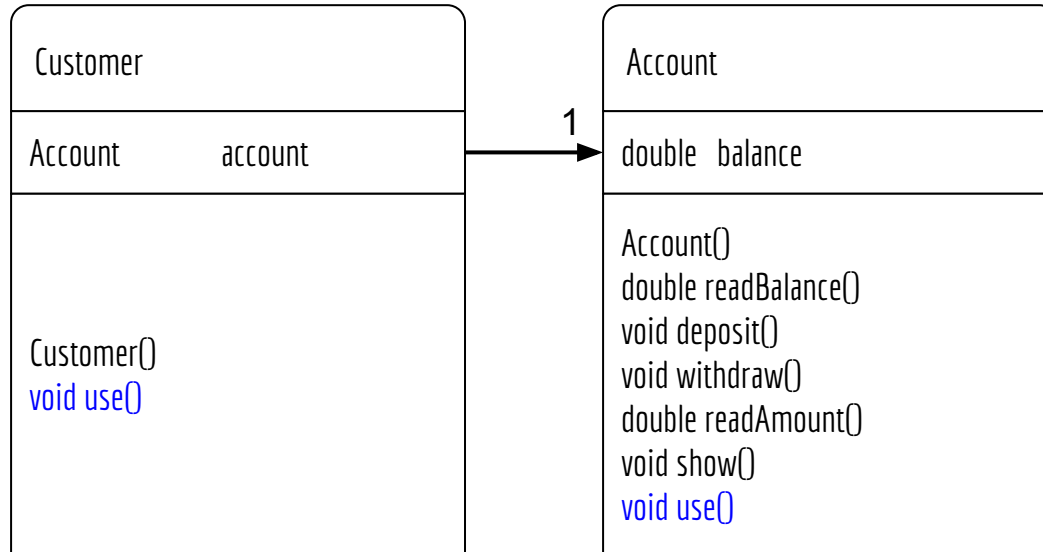
The customer can deposit, withdraw, and show the balance with two decimal places.

The amounts to deposit and withdraw are read in.

The customer uses the account by selecting deposit, withdraw or show from a menu, until the user selects exit.

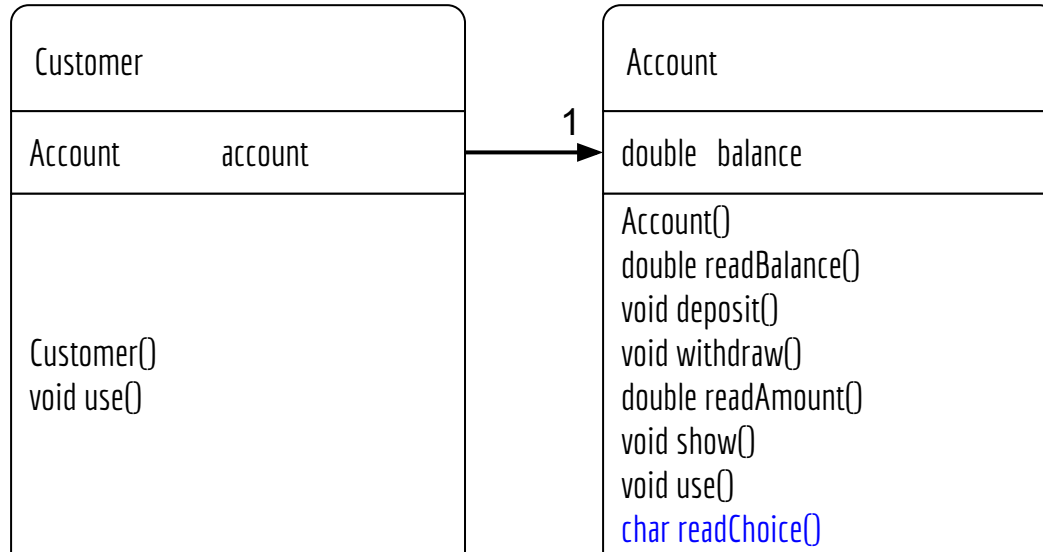
Verbs

The customer uses the account ...



Verbs

The customer uses the account ... by selecting deposit, withdraw or show from a menu



Sample I/O

Choice (d/w/s/x): d

Amount to deposit: \$870

Choice (d/w/s/x): s

The account has \$870.00

Choice (d/w/s/x): w

Amount to withdraw: \$5

Choice (d/w/s/x): s

The account has \$865.00

Choice (d/w/s/x): x

Menu solution

```
public class Account {  
    ...  
    public void use() {  
        char choice;  
        while ((choice = readChoice()) != 'x') {  
            switch (choice) {  
                case 'd': deposit(); break;  
                case 'w': withdraw(); break;  
                case 's': show(); break;  
                default: help(); break;  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    private char readChoice() {  
        System.out.print("Choice (d/w/s/x): ");  
        return In.nextChar();  
    }  
}
```

```
private void help() {  
    System.out.println("The menu choices are:");  
    System.out.println("d: deposit");  
    System.out.println("w: withdraw");  
    System.out.println("s: show");  
    System.out.println("x: exit");  
}  
}
```

Menu pattern

- Read choice until exit

```
char choice;  
while ((choice = readChoice()) != 'x')
```

- Execute an action

```
switch (choice) {  
    case 'd': deposit(); break;  
    case 'w': withdraw(); break;  
    case 's': show(); break;
```

- One procedure for each action


```
private void deposit()
```

- Exit is not a switch case.

The end-of-input flag 'x' ends the loop.

Design rule #2: push it right

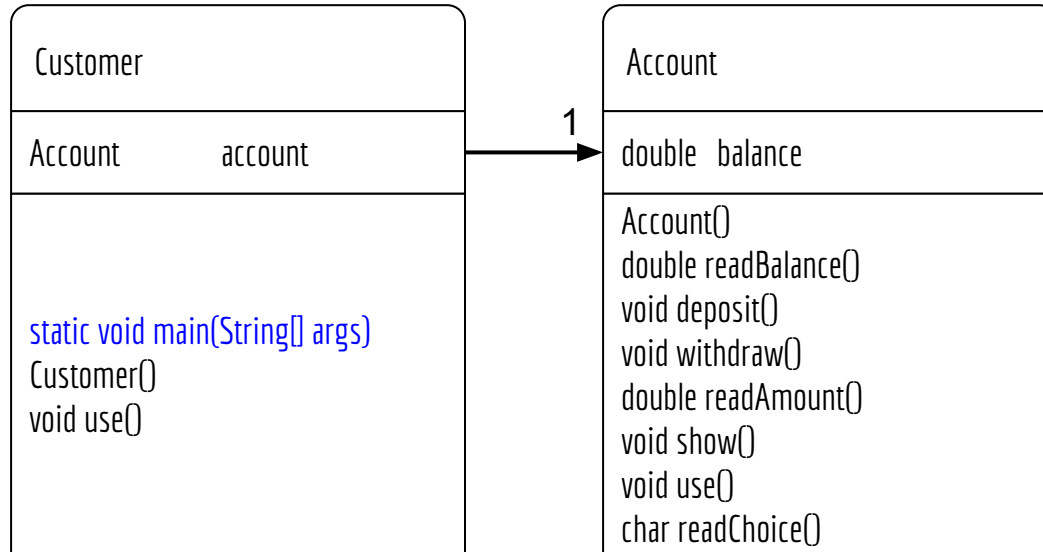
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public class Customer {  
    ...  
    public void use() {  
        account.use();  
    }  
}
```



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                case 's': show(); break;  
                default: help(); break;  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

The main method

Put the **main method** in the left-most (main) class.



Code: main method

```
public class Customer {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Customer customer = new Customer();  
        customer.use();  
    }  
}
```

- The main method is the ONLY static method.
- The main method should always be two lines:
 1. Create the first object.
 2. Use the first object.