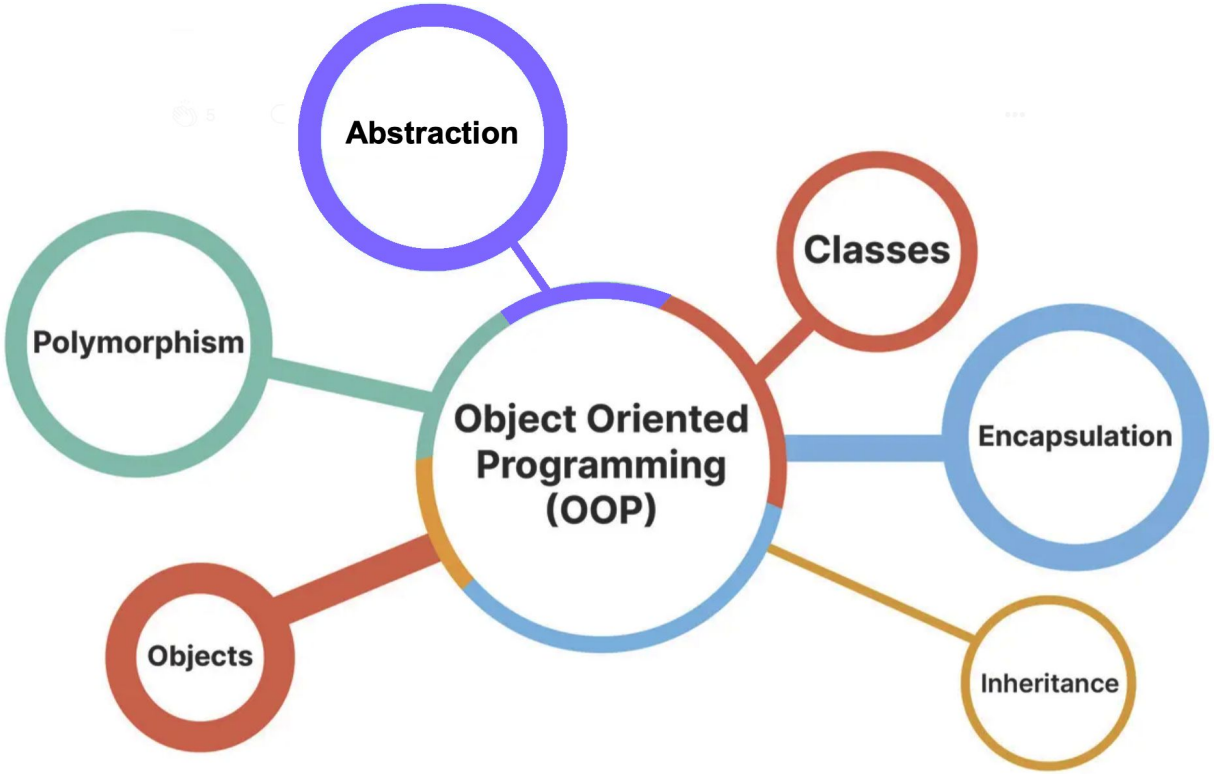
COSC 121: Computer Programming II



Today's Key Concepts

- Abstract classes are special classes that model generic concepts but never get instantiated
  - Keyword: abstract
- An interface defines the blueprint for a class, defining the set of methods that must be implemented without defining their specific implementation
  - User defined interfaces
    - Methods are all implicitly public and abstract
    - Java 8/9: Methods can be default, static, private
  - Java standard interfaces: Comparable and Cloneable
- Interfaces or abstract classes?

Java Standard Interfaces

- Built-in interfaces provided within Java
- Define common behaviors or capabilities that developers can leverage in their own classes
- This class, two interfaces:
  - Comparable
    - Allows comparing or sorting objects
  - Cloneable
    - Allows cloning objects

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- Use when you want to compare two objects of the same type
- Any class that implements the Comparable interface must define an appropriate measure of comparison in compareTo()

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- By convention and by the Comparable contract, the returned answer should be negative when this object is “smaller than” the object passed in

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- Implementing Comparable:

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public class Employee implements Comparable<Employee> {
    private int salary;
    Employee( int annualSalary ) { salary = annualSalary; }
    public int compareTo( Employee otherEmployee ) {
        if( salary > otherEmployee.salary )
            return 1;
        if( salary < otherEmployee.salary )
            return -1;
        return 0;
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- Invoking the method:

```
Employee e1 = new Employee();
Employee e2 = new Employee();
if(e1.compareTo(e2) > 0)
    System.out.println("E1 is richer!");
```

Syntax:
o1.compareTo(o2)

Given Rectangle Class

add name of class

```
class Rectangle implements Comparable<Rectangle> {

    private final double width;
    private final double height;

    public Rectangle(double width, double height) {
        this.width = width;
        this.height = height;
    }

    public double area() { return width * height; }

    public int compareTo(Rectangle other) {
        int rez;
        if( area() > other.area() )        rez = 1;
        else if( area() < other.area() )   rez = -1;
        else                               rez = 0;
        return rez;
    }
}
```

typical class definition

unique compareTo() definition
- returns comparison result

How to Test Rectangle class? (~2 min)

- Write a test class that creates two Rectangle objects and compares them to see which is bigger. Display the comparison result in English.

What you need from the Rectangle class:

```
class Rectangle implements Comparable<Rectangle> {
    // ...
    public Rectangle(double width, double height) {  // ...
    }
    public int compareTo(Rectangle other) { // ...
    }
}
```

Sample Solution

```
public class TestComparable {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Rectangle r1 = new Rectangle( 4, 5 );
        Rectangle r2 = new Rectangle( 3, 8 );

        if( r1.compareTo( r2 ) < 0 )
          System.out.println( "r1 is smaller" );
        else if( r1.compareTo( r2 ) > 0 )
          System.out.println( "r1 is bigger" );
        else
          System.out.println( "they are the same size" );
    }
}
```

create two objects

one comparison

check all possible results

Output?

Is Comparable Transitive?

```
public class TestComparable {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        MyRectangle r1 = new MyRectangle( 4, 5 );
        MyRectangle r2 = new MyRectangle( 3, 8 );
        MyRectangle r3 = new MyRectangle( 6, 9 );

        if( r3.compareTo( r2 ) > 0 && r2.compareTo( r1 ) > 0 )
            System.out.println( "these rectangles are ... ");
    }
```

if the if-statement is true,
what must be true about r1 and r3?

iClicker Question

What's the output for the ToyBox code?

A. -10 10 0
B. -1 1 0
C. false true true
D. 10 -10 0

```
class ToyBox implements Comparable<ToyBox> {
    private int volume;

    ToyBox( int v ) { volume = v; }
    public int compareTo( ToyBox other ) {
        return this.volume - other.volume;
    }
}

public class TestToyBox {
    public static void main( String[] args ) {
        ToyBox b1 = new ToyBox(10);
        ToyBox b2 = new ToyBox(20);
        System.out.print( b1.compareTo( b2 ));
        System.out.print( b2.compareTo( b1 ));
        System.out.print( b1.compareTo( b1 ));
    }
}
```

The Cloneable Interface

- A special interface called a marker interface (i.e., no methods!)
- It serves as a signal to the Object.clone() method, rather than defining behavior itself
- Conceptually:
  - A marker interface is like a sign on the door, not a tool in the room.
  - The sign says what's allowed
  - Someone else decides what to do because of that sign
- Definition:

```
public interface Cloneable {
    // no methods
}
```

recall we saw this example in last class's clicker question

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        // same coordinates
        System.out.println( r1.toString() );
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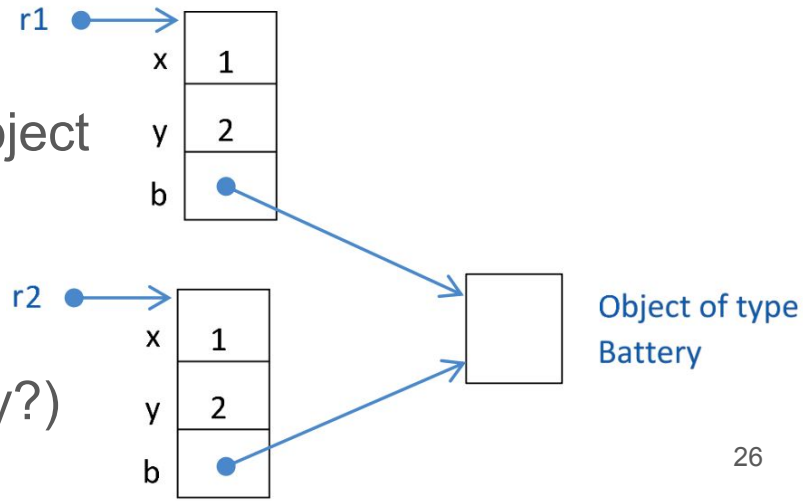

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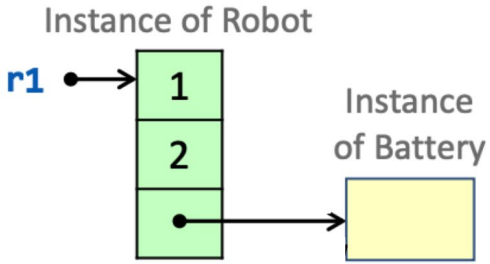
when r1 is first created:

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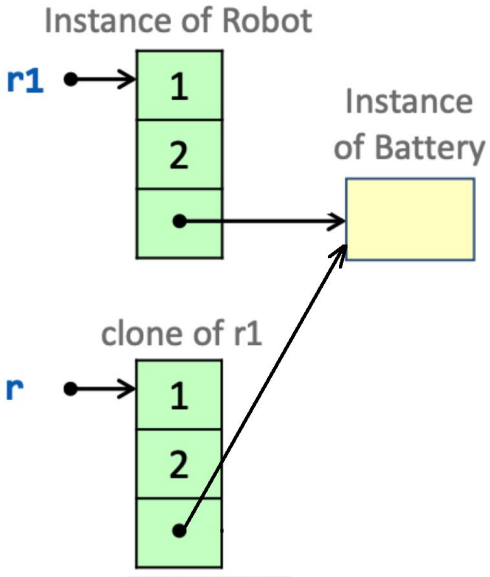

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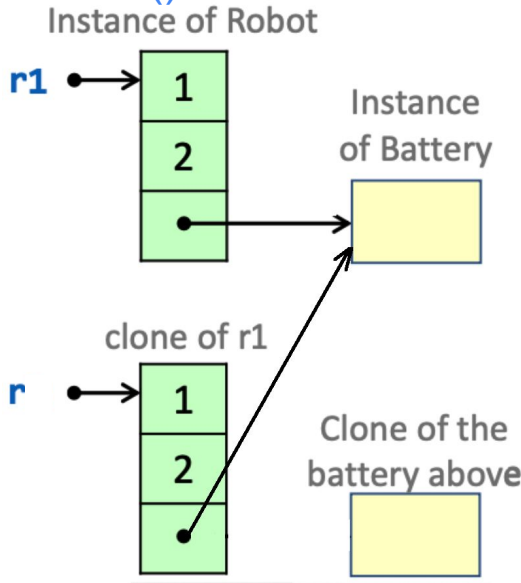

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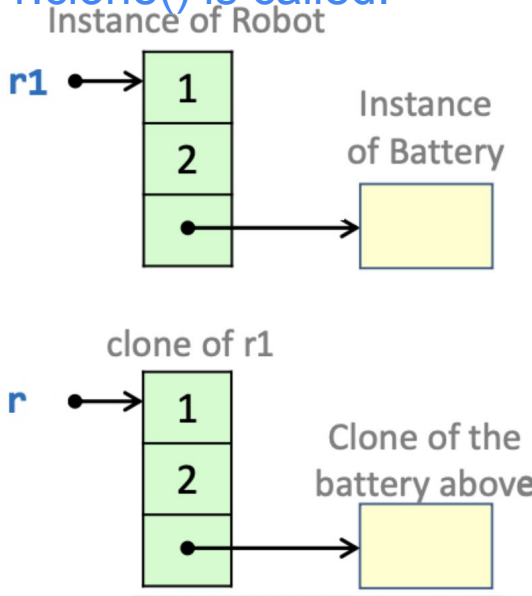

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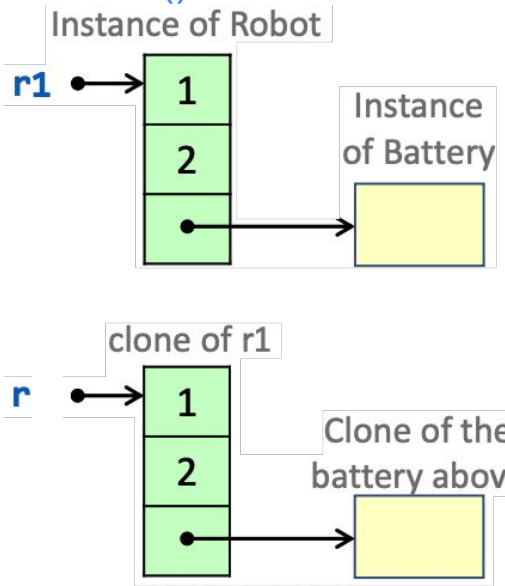

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- Since Robot's clone() now has a statement:
  r.b = (Battery)b.clone()
- That means Battery class also needs to implement clone()
- Ex:

```
class Battery implements Cloneable {
    public Object clone() throws CloneNotSupportedException {
        return super.clone();
    }
}
```

iClicker Question

Suppose we want to clone a Player who has a Position attribute (see code below), what is the output after the following statements in a main() method?

```
Position p = new Position(1, 2);
Player p1 = new Player( p );
Player p2 = ( Player )p1.clone();
p2.pos.x = 99;
System.out.println( p1.pos.x );
```

A. 1
B. 2
C. 99
D. Error

```
class Player implements Cloneable {
    Position pos;
    Player(Position pos) { this.pos = pos; }
    public Object clone()
            throws CloneNotSupportedException {
        return super.clone();
    }
}
class Position {
    int x, y;
    Position(int x, int y) {
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        this.y = y;
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  Why? Cannot instantiate interface implementer "is-not" an interface ("Rule 1")

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- Test class:

```
public class TestSpeaker {
  public static void main( String[] args )
  {
      Speaker guest = new Philosopher();
      guest.speak();
      guest = new Dog();
      guest.speak();
  }
}
```

- Output:

```
I think, therefore, I am      // from Philosopher class
woof                          // from Dog class
```

Dynamic binding at play (Rule 3)

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  No! "Rule 2"

Speaker Example (cont.)

- Solution? Tell compiler guest really is a Philosopher object:

```
Speaker guest = new Philosopher();
guest.speak();
(( Philosopher )guest).pontificate();
guest = new Dog();
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Stepping Back

- When we first introduce shapes to children, there are typically three shapes we tell them about: square, circle, and triangle. From these basic shapes, other shapes are derived.
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  An Oval is a kind of Circle: Inheritance

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  Mirrors and Balloons don't seem semantically related: Interface

End of OOP Concepts

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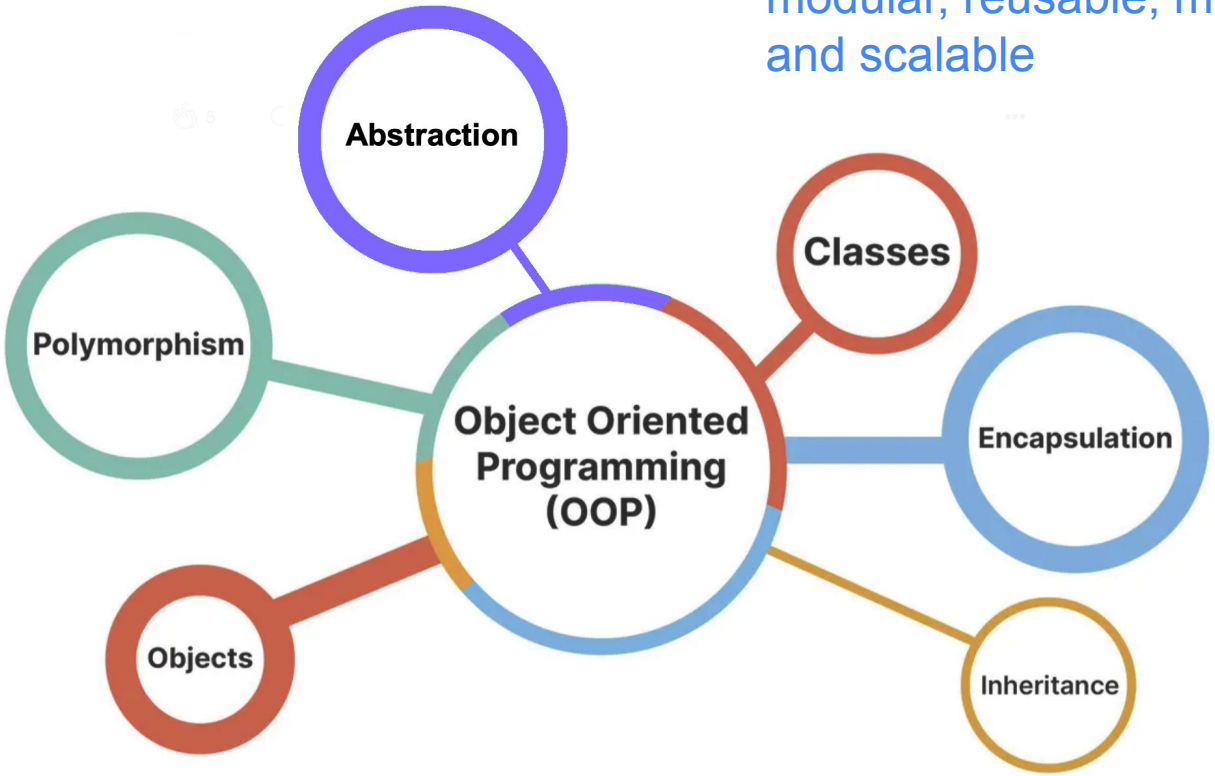

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  - **Inheritance:**
  - When a class is-a another class
  - Can only extends one class
  - Has attributes and methods
  - **Interface:**
  - Classes do not have to be semantically related
  - Can implements multiple classes
  - Has constants and abstract methods mostly, Java 8/9 allows for additional modifiers: default, static, private, and private static

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  - Methods may be abstract or not
  - Methods can have different visibility
  - **Interface:**
  - No attributes
  - Methods are mostly abstract, Java 8+ allows for default and static
  - Methods are mostly public, Java 9+ allows for private and private static