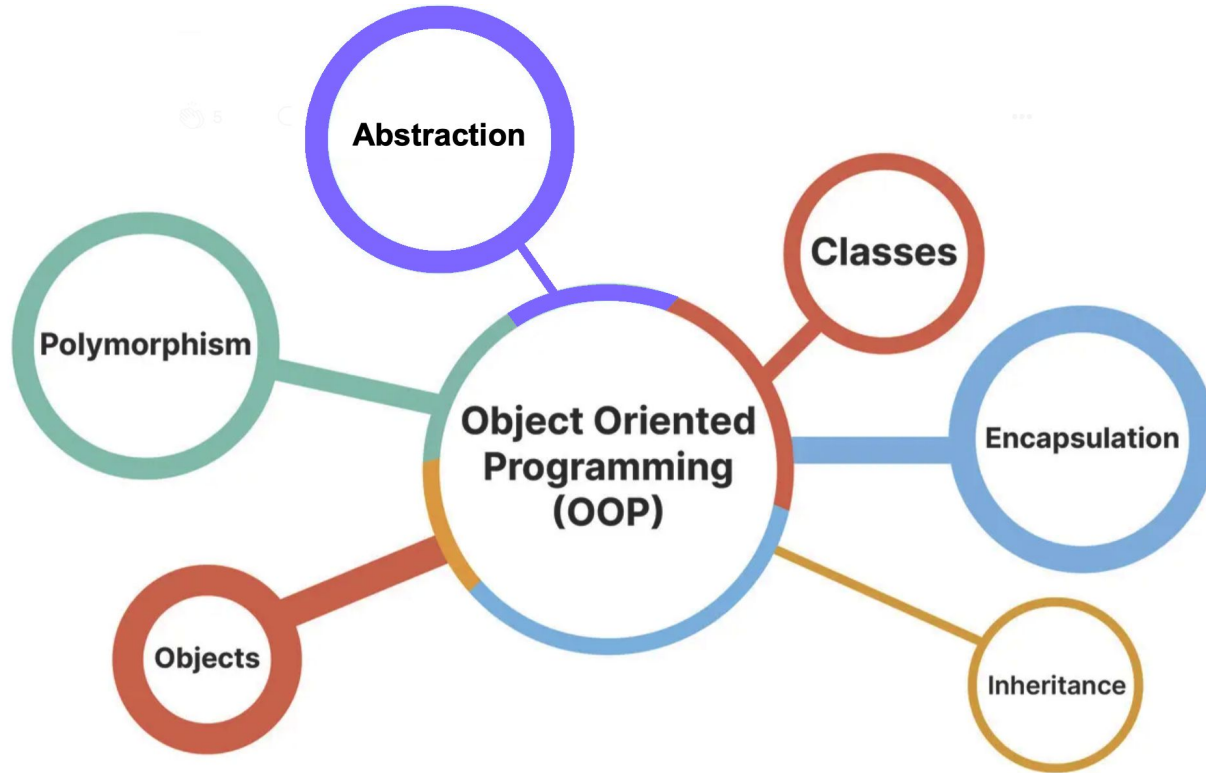


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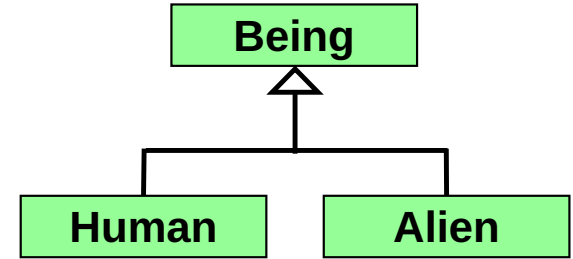
Today's Key Concepts



- **Polymorphism** is a new OOP technique for reference different object types that are related via inheritance or **interface**
- Implementation techniques:
 - **Dynamic binding** (as opposed to **static binding**)
 - **The Three Rules**
- Relationship to overriding
- Relationship to **generic programming**
- Using the **instanceof** operator
- Object **casting** (just like type casting)

Quick Review

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    public void info() { System.out.println( "Being" ); }  
}  
  
public class Alien extends Being {  
    public void info() { System.out.println( "Alien" ); }  
}  
  
public class Human extends Being {  
    public void info() { System.out.println( "Human" ); }  
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```

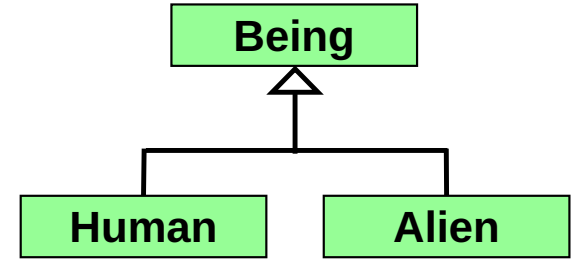


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public class TestBeings {  
    public static void main( String[] args )  
    {  
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        Human h = new Human();  
        Alien a = new Alien();  
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 - Use dynamic binding when compiler isn't sure which method to call (becomes JVM's job, enabling polymorphism)

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- Overloading example:

```
public class Calculator {  
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        return a + b;  
    }  
    public int add( int a, int b, int c ) {  
        return a + b + c;  
    }  
    public double add( double a, double b ) {  
        return a + b;  
    }  
}
```

In main(), calling
`calc.add(10, 20)` vs.
`calc.add(10, 20, 30)` vs.
`calc.add(3.4, 2.1)`

- compiler knows which `add()` should be called in each case

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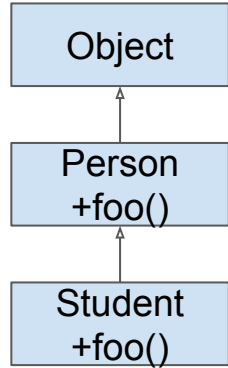
- Compiler error because Java requires method signatures to be unique, regardless of the return type

Longer Example Using Both Static and Dynamic Binding

```
public class Binding {  
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    }  
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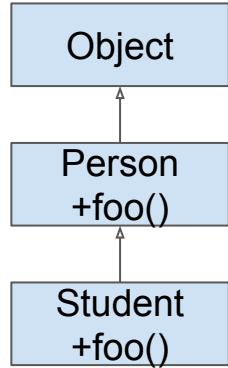
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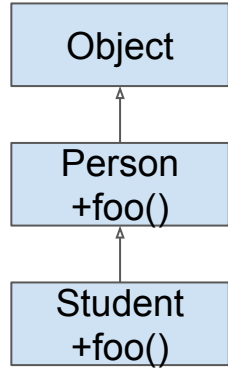
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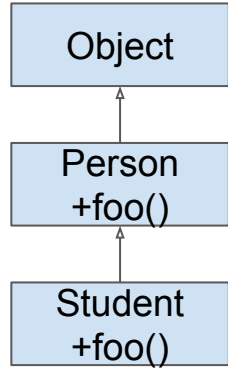
end of static binding

Java "binds" the call to static void print(Person x)¹⁶

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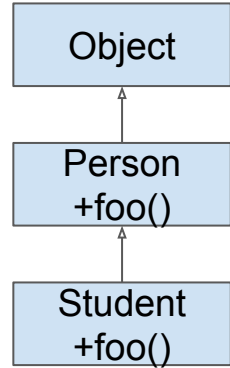
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Output: 2: student

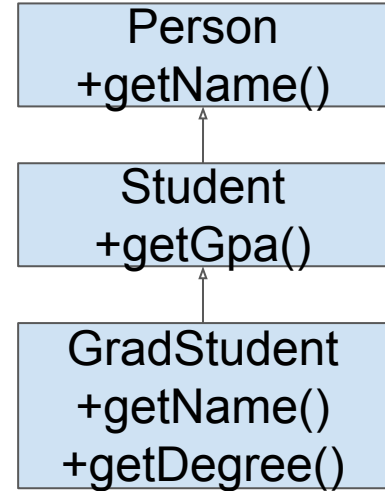
Trace:

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- x points to h, which is a Student object
- Student overrides foo()
- calls Student's implementation of foo()

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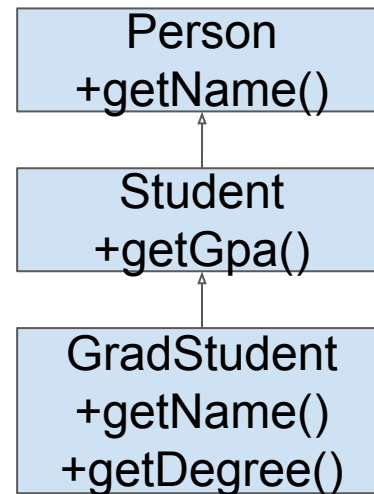


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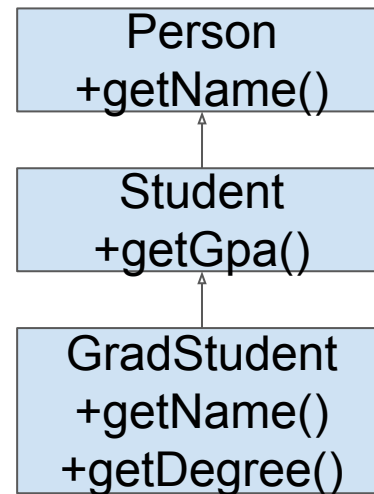


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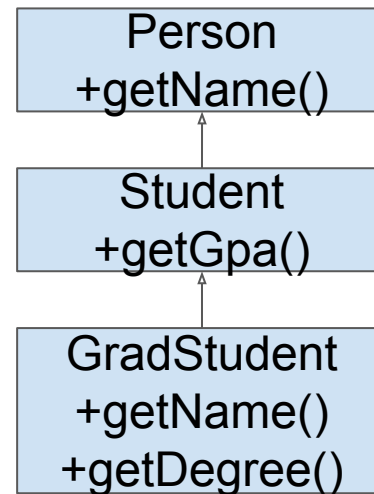
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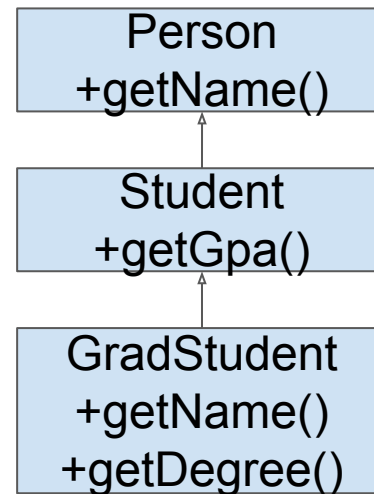
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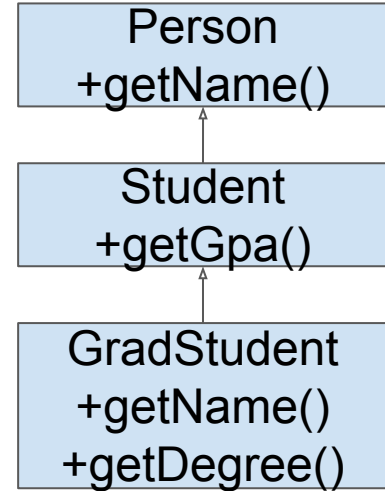


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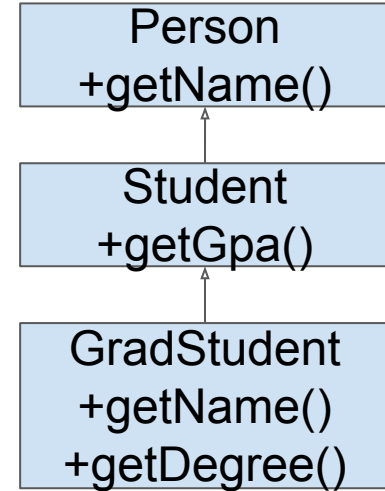
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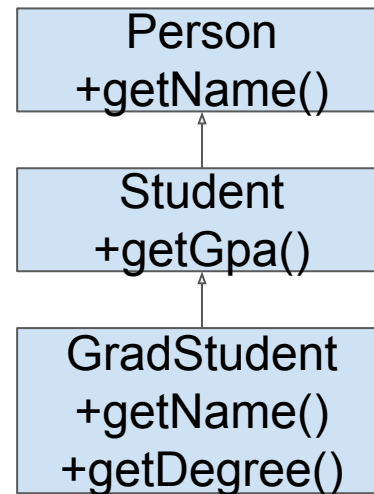


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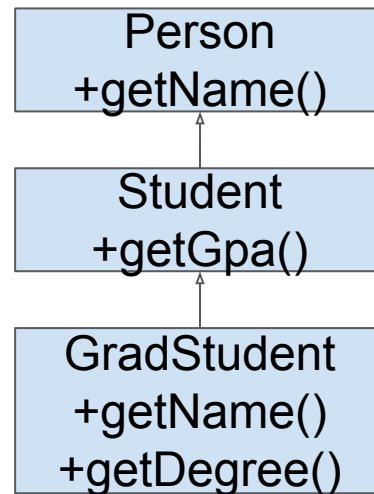
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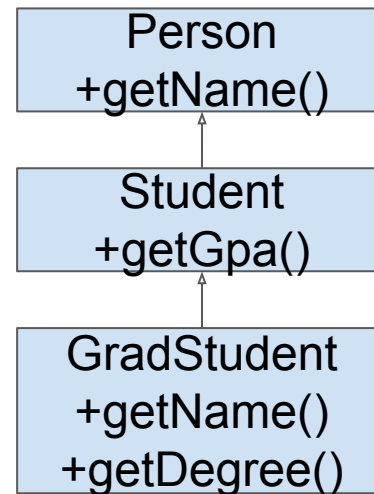
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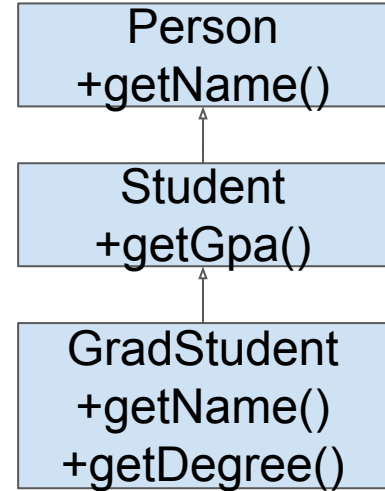
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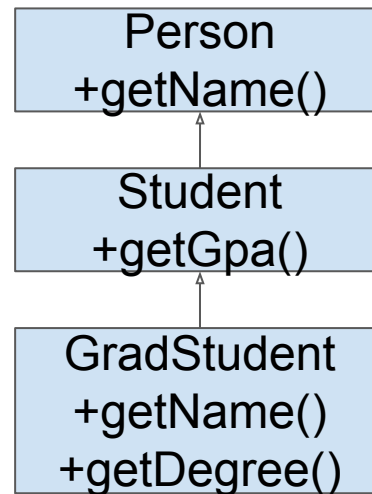


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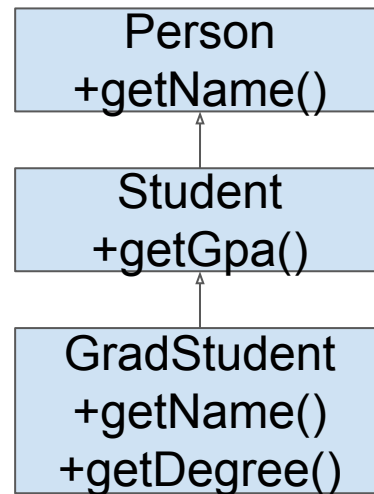


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iClicker Question



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        f = b;  
        f.display();  
    }  
}
```

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```

```
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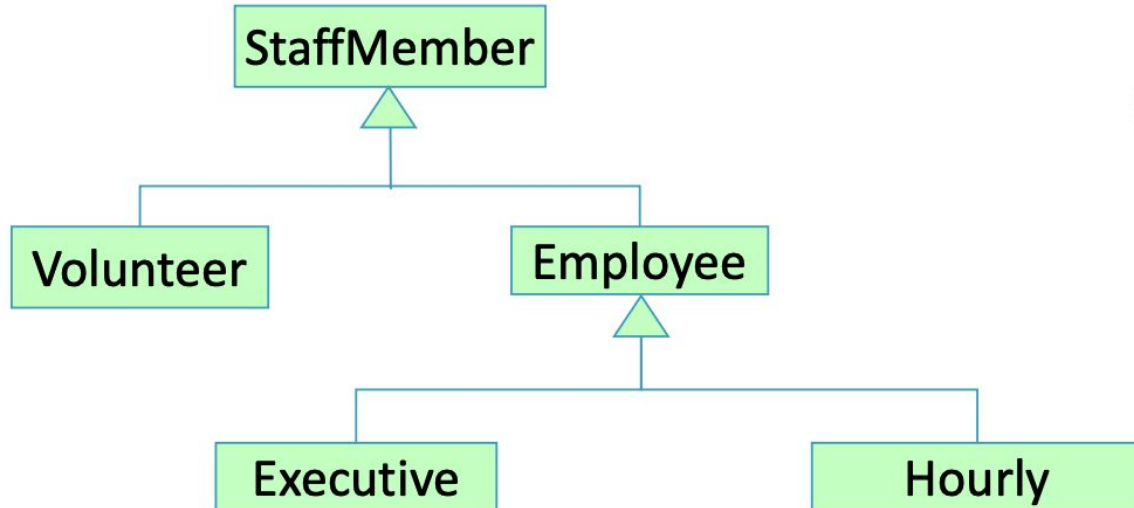
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Programming Exercise (~5 min)

Create the classes represented in the following hierarchy. Create a test class that has an array of StaffMember objects that holds 2 volunteers, 1 executive member, and 2 hourly paid employees. Create a name attribute in each class and a corresponding accessor. Loop through the array and print everyone's names.



Try it in
Eclipse!

Type Checking

- Use the `instanceof` operator to check if an object is an instance of a class
- Suppose you have a reference variable but you are not sure the type of the object it points to
- Check if object x points to a specific class A:

```
if( x instanceof A )                // part of the boolean expression
    System.out.println( "x is an instance of Class A" );
```

- Ex: check if x points to the Dog class:

```
if( x instanceof Dog )
    System.out.println( "x is a Dog" );
```

- Must have a target class in mind to check against

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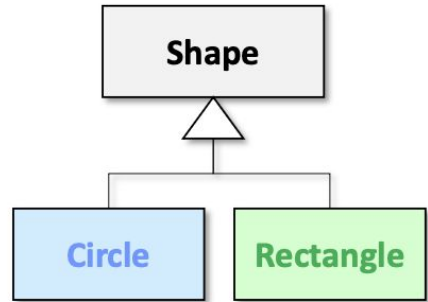
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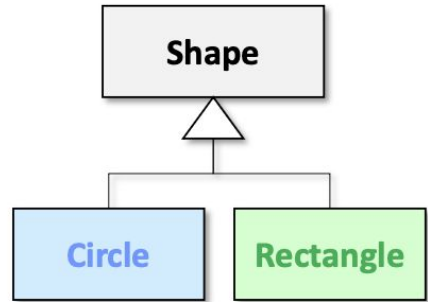
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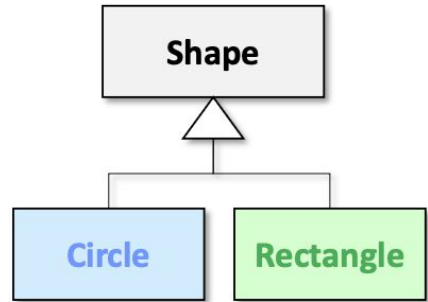
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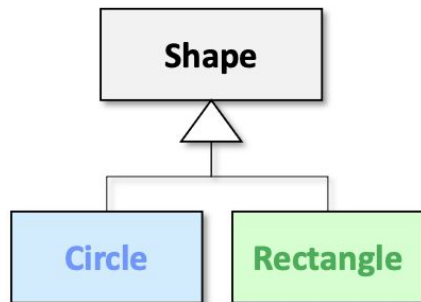
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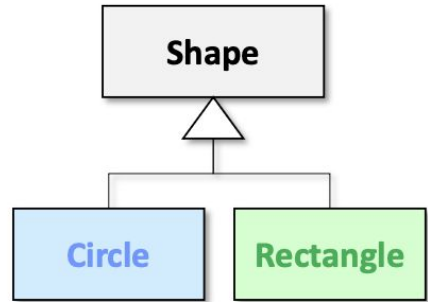
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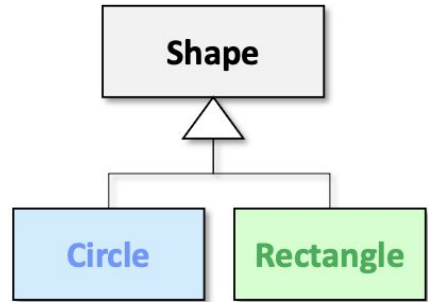


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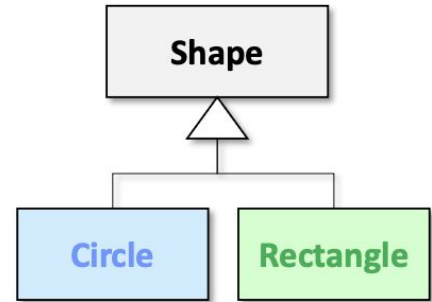


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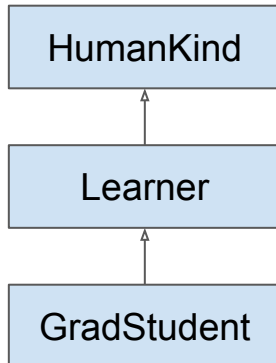


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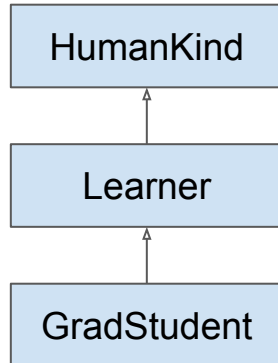
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        m( new HumanKind() );  
        m( new Object() );  
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what is the type of o1, ..., o4 at compile time?

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- Possible problems: data loss, runtime errors, and undefined behavior
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- Results in runtime error with **ClassCastException** if superclass is not an instance of the subclass:

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// no compile/syntax error

Examples to Consider


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compiles fine but runtime
ClassCastException

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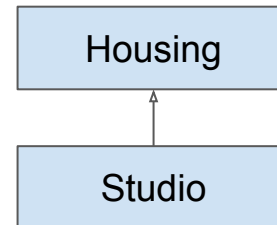


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        // ...  
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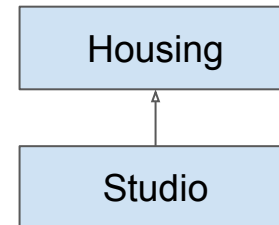


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D and E cause a **ClassCastException** error