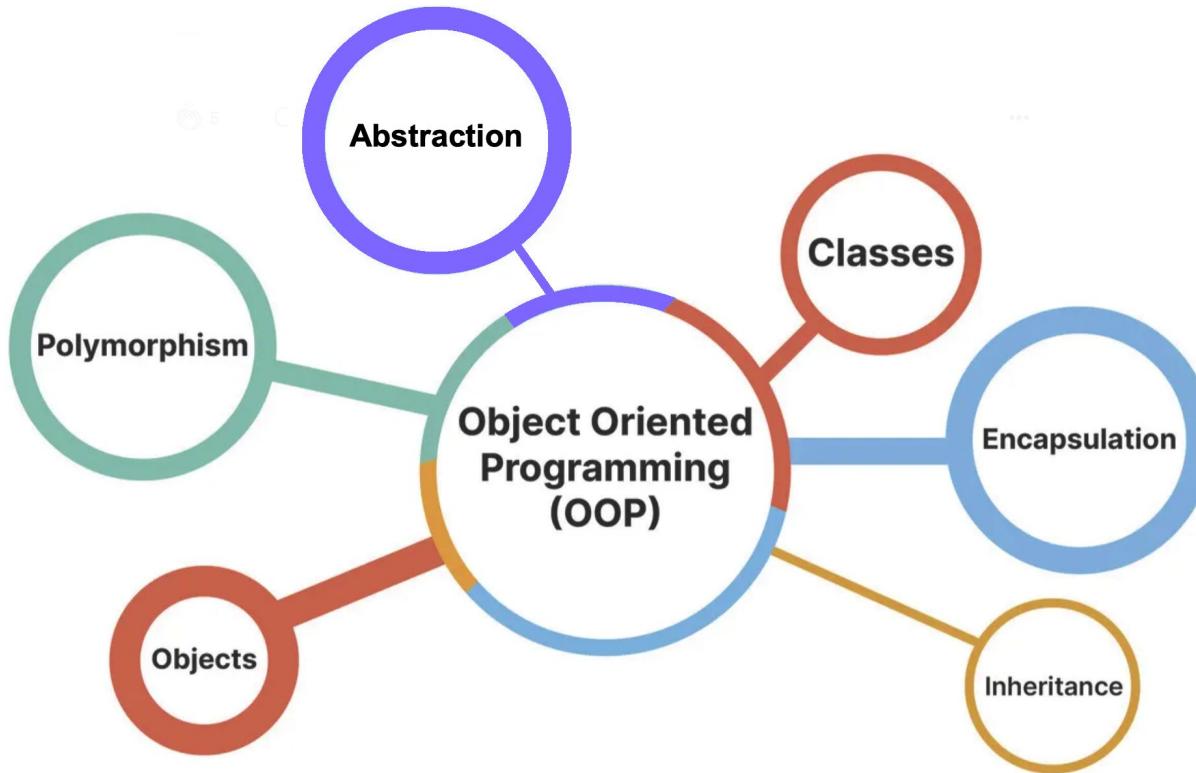


COSC 121: Computer Programming II



Today's Key Concepts

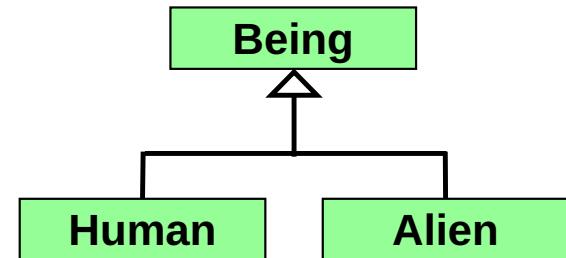


- Polymorphism is a new OOP technique for reference different object types that are related via inheritance or interface
- Implementation techniques:
 - Dynamic binding (as opposed to static binding)
 - The Three Rules
- Relationship to overriding
- Relationship to generic programming
- Using the instanceof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

Quick Review

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    public void info() { System.out.println( "Being" ); }  
}  
  
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    public void info() { System.out.println( "Alien" ); }  
}  
  
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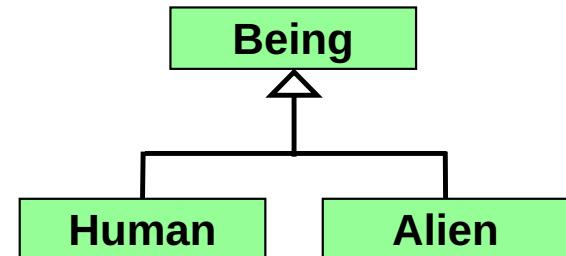
Output?



```
public class TestBeings {  
    public static void main( String[] args )  
    {  
        Being b = new Being();  
        Human h = new Human();  
        Alien a = new Alien();  
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- Java uses both:
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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 {  
    public int add( int a, int b ) {  
        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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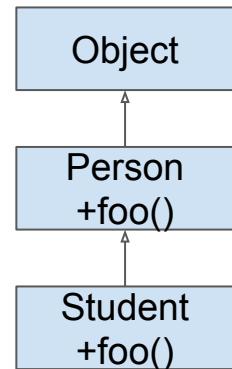
- Compiler error because Java requires method signatures to be unique, **regardless of the return type**

Longer Example Using Both Static and Dynamic Binding

```
public class Binding {
    public static void main( String[] args )
    {
        Person h = new Student();
        print( h );
    }
    static void print( Object x )
    {
        System.out.print("1: object " );
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    {
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        x.foo();
    }
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}
```

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class Person {
    void foo()
    {
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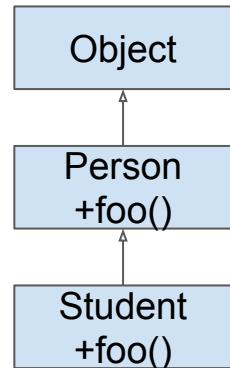
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```
class Person {
    void foo()
    {
        System.out.println( "person" );
    }
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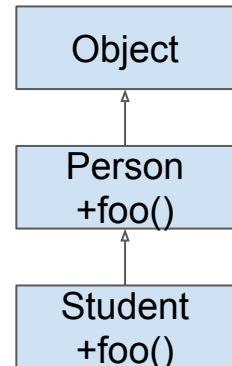
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    }
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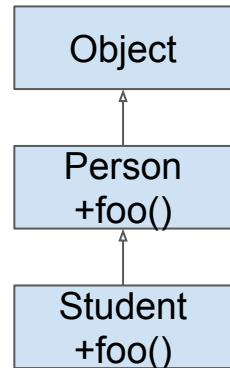
Trace:

- create h (a Student object)
- Java chooses most specific one allowed for the declared type: print(Person)
end of static binding
Java "binds" the call to static void print(Person x)¹⁶

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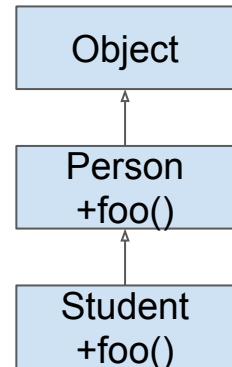
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Output: 2: student

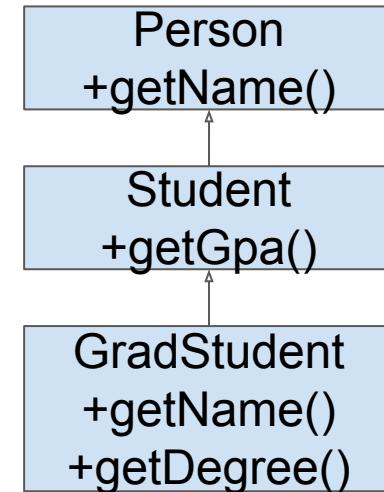
Trace:

- create h (a Student object)
- Java chooses most specific one: print(Person)
- x points to h, which is a Student object
- Student overrides foo()
- calls Student's implementation of foo()

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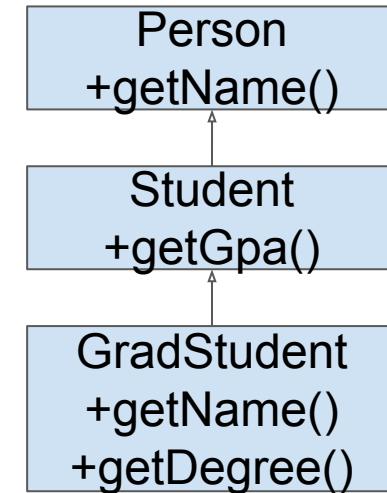
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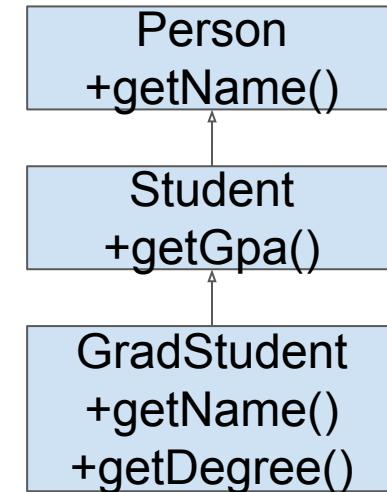
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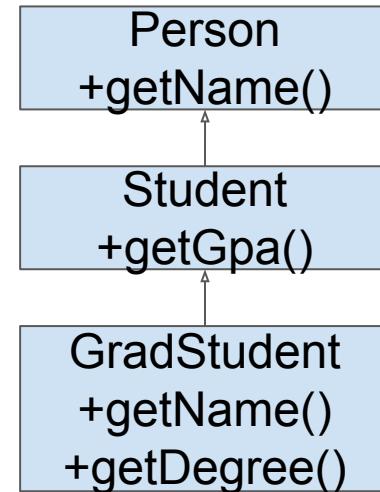


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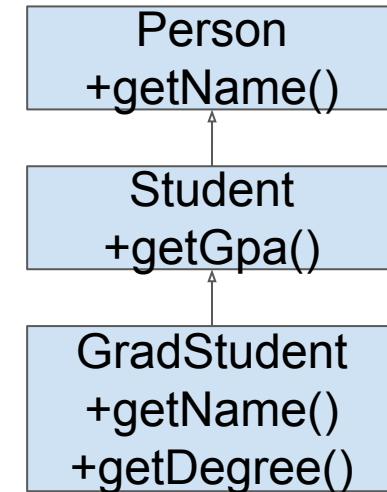
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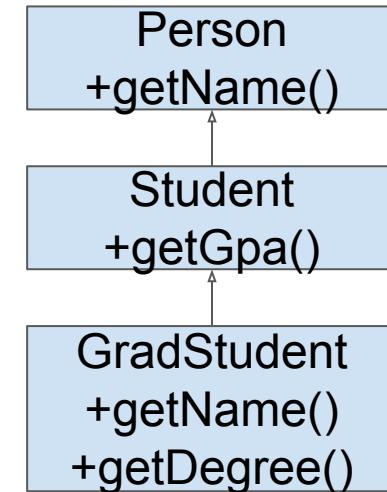


Declaring the most general type is not always the best approach!

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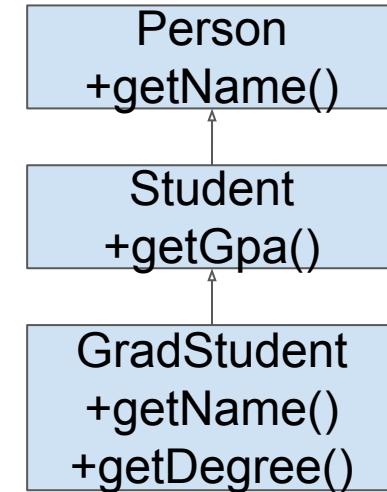
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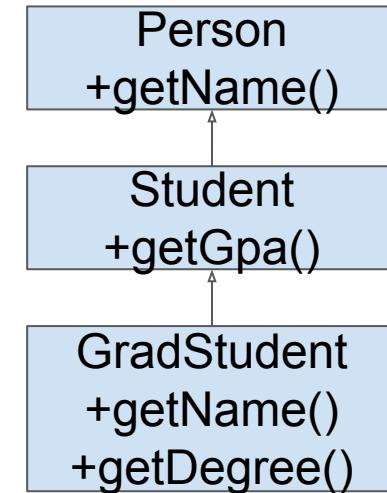
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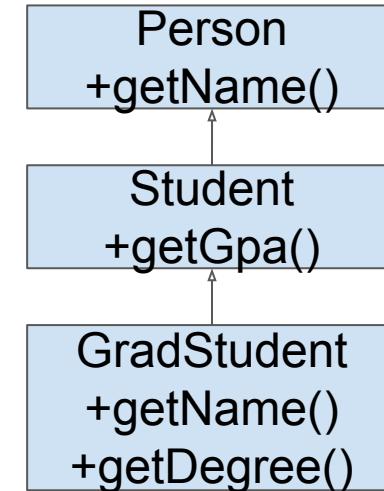


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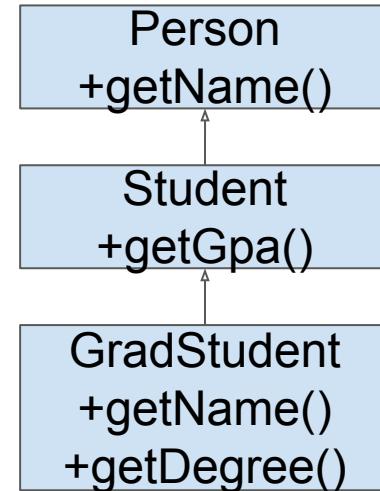
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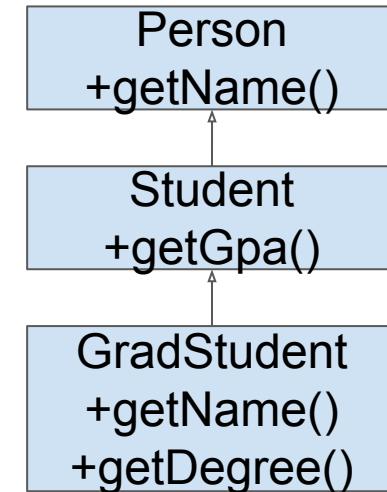
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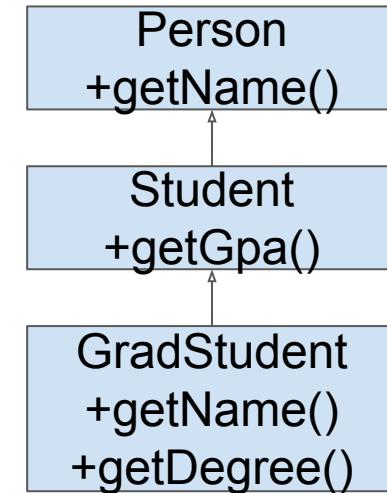
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s.getGpa();                                // invalid, R1
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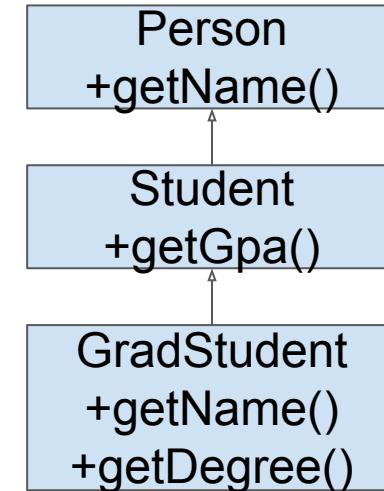


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iClicker Question



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        f.display();  
    }  
  
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    }  
  
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The diagram illustrates the relationship between static and dynamic types. On the left, the text 'In general:' is followed by a code snippet 'Type refVar = new ClassName();'. Two blue arrows point from the text 'static type of refVar' and 'dynamic type' towards the variable 'refVar' in the code snippet. The arrow for 'static type' points to the identifier 'refVar', while the arrow for 'dynamic type' points to the part of the assignment operator '='.



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```

```
Figure f3 = new Box();
```

```
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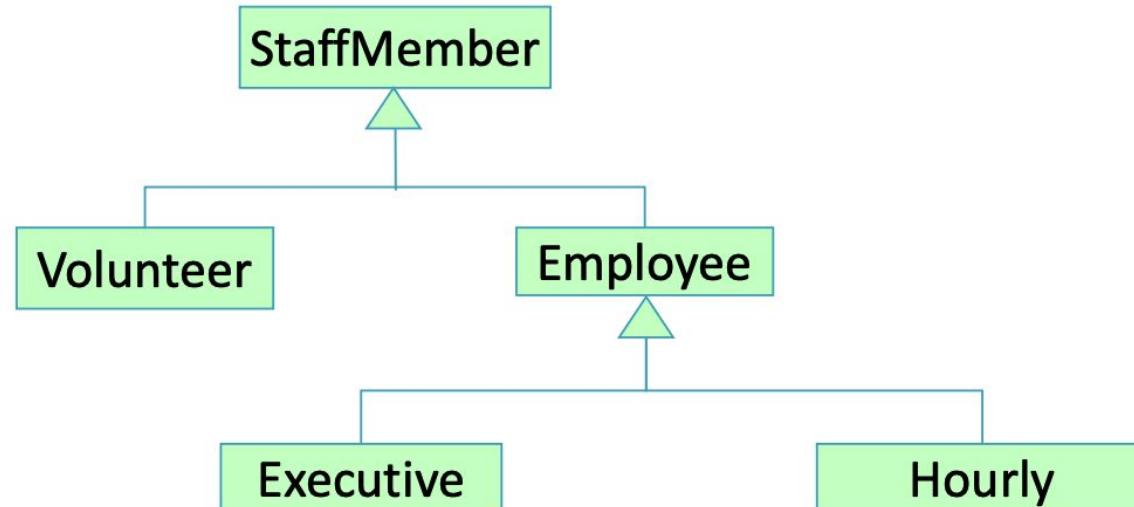
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Programming Exercise (~5 min)

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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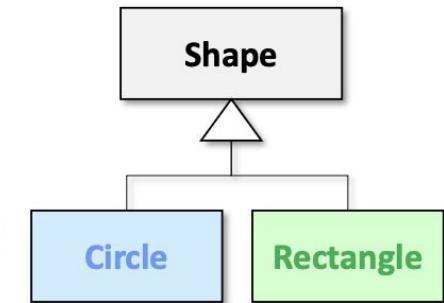
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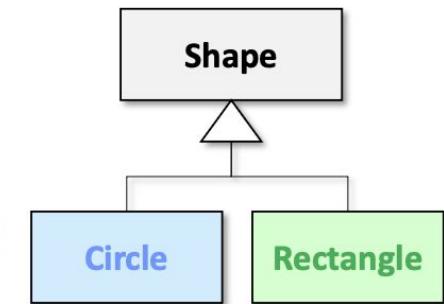
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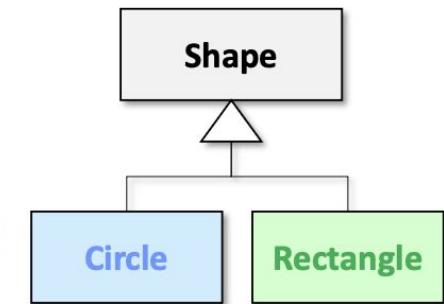
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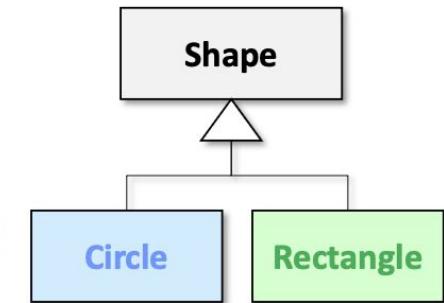
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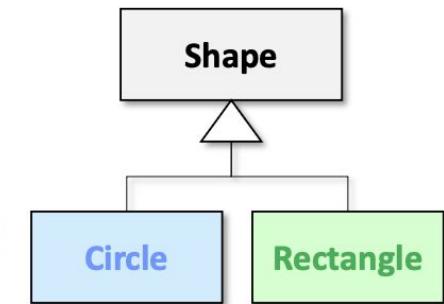


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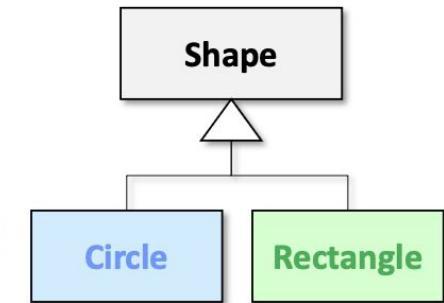


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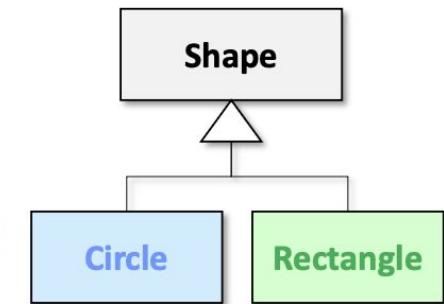


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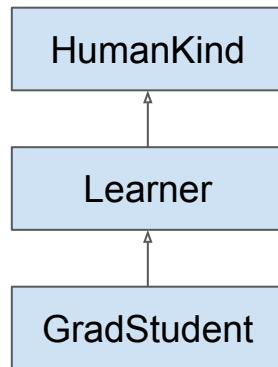




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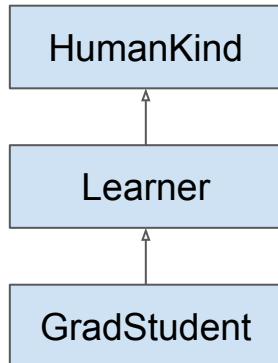
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- Results in runtime error with ClassCastException if superclass is not an instance of the subclass:

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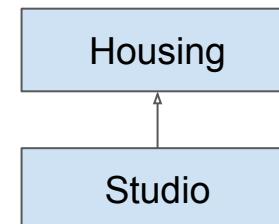


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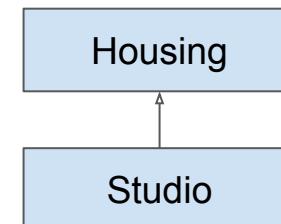


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D and E cause a ClassCastException error