

# Singleton Design Pattern

## Singleton

- Intent
  - Guarantee that a class has only one instance.
- ```
public class Singleton{  
    private Singleton(){};  
    private static Singleton instance = null;  
  
    public static Singleton getInstance() {  
        if(instance==null)  
            instance = new Singleton ();  
        return instance;  
    }  
}
```
- You should not define public constructors.
- If you do not define constructors...

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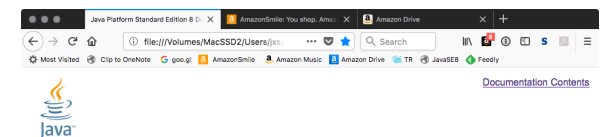
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- ```
Singleton instance = Singleton.getInstance();  
instance.hashCode();  
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```
- hashCode() returns a unique ID for each instance.
  - Different instances of a class have different IDs.
- *Singleton* is an application of *Static Factory Method*.
  - getInstance() is a static factory method.
  - *Singleton* focuses on a requirement to have a class keep only one instance.

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## What Can be a Singleton?

- Object pools
  - Pool of objects such as browser tabs, files, threads and DB connections.
- Logger
- Plugin manager
- Access counter
- Game loop
- ..., etc.



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## Alternative Implementation with Null Checking API in Java 7

- `java.util.Objects`, extending `java.lang.Object`
  - A utility class (i.e., a set of static methods) for the instances of `java.lang.Object` and its subclasses.
- class `Foo`{  
    private String str;  
    public `Foo()` (String str){  
        this.str = `Objects.requireNonNull`(str);  
    } }
  - `requireNonNull()` throws a `NullPointerException` if `str==null`. Otherwise, it simply returns `str`.
- class `Foo`{  
    private String str;  
    public `Foo()` (String str){  
        this.str = `Objects.requireNonNull`(  
            str, "str must be non-null!!!");  
    } }
  - `requireNonNull()` can accept an error message, which is to be contained in a `NullPointerException`.

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- Traditional null checking

```
- if(str == null)
    throw new NullPointerException();
this.str = str;
```

- With `objects.requireNonNull()`
  - this.str = `Objects.requireNonNull`(str);
- Can eliminate an explicit conditional statement and make code a bit simpler.

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## Singleton Implementation with `Objects.requireNonNull()`

- public class `SingletonNullCheckingJava7`{  
    private `SingletonNullCheckingJava7()` {};  
    private static `SingletonNullCheckingJava7 instance` = null;  
  
    public static `SingletonNullCheckingJava7 getInstance()` {  
        try{  
            return `Objects.requireNonNull(instance)`;  
        }  
        catch(`NullPointerException ex`){  
            instance = new `SingletonNullCheckingJava7()`;  
            return instance;  
        }  
    } }  
  
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    public static `Singleton getInstance()` {  
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        return instance;  
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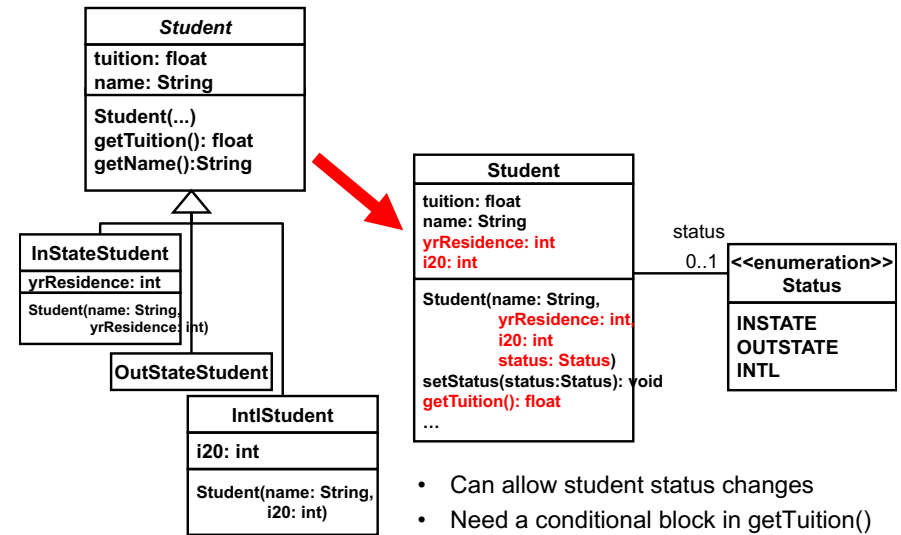
## State Design Pattern

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## State

- Intent
  - Allow an object to change its behavior according to its state.

## Eliminating Class Inheritance

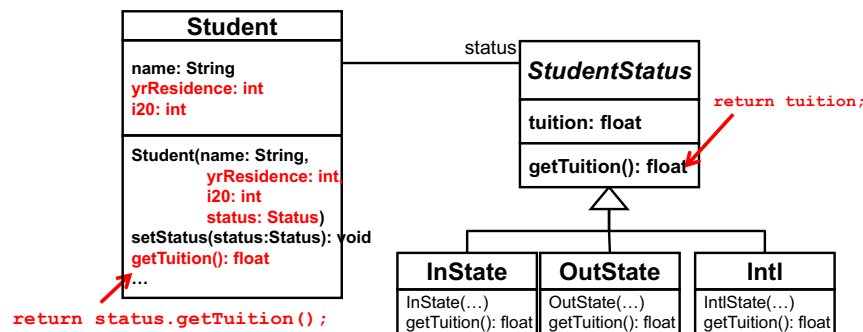


- Can allow student status changes
- Need a conditional block in `getTuition()`
  - Can remove the conditional with *State*.

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## Design Improvement with State

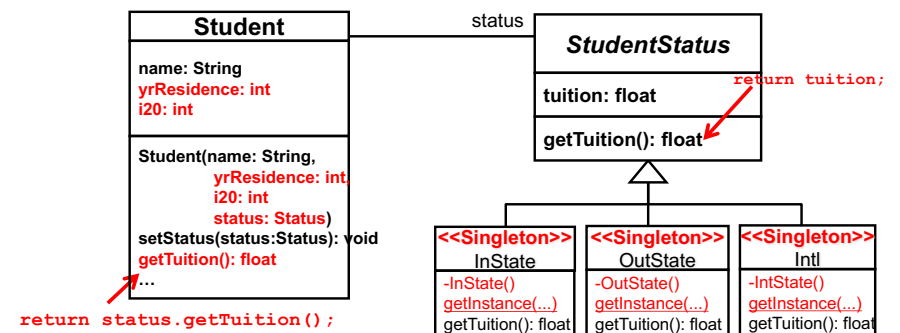


```
Student s1 = new Student( ..., new InState(...) );
s1.getTuition();
```

c.f. lecture note #3

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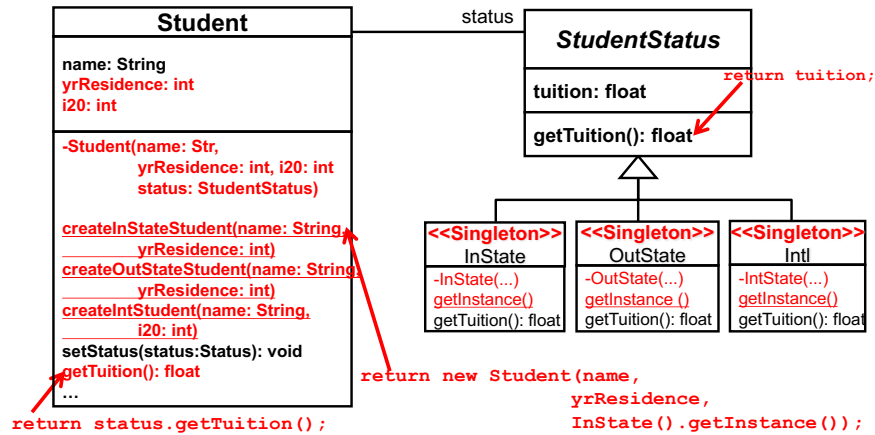
## State Classes as Singleton



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s1.getTuition();
```

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## Adding Static Factory Methods



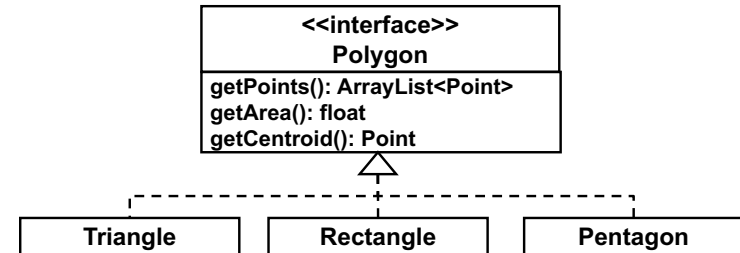
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Student s1 = Student.createInStateStudent( "John Smith", 18 );
s1.getTuition();

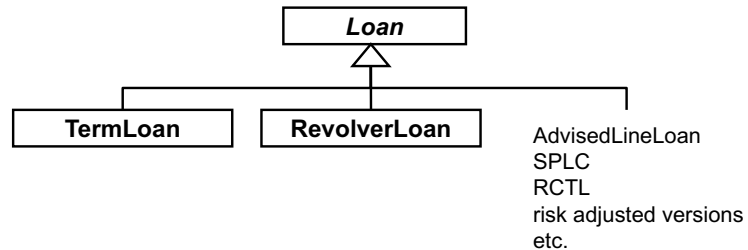
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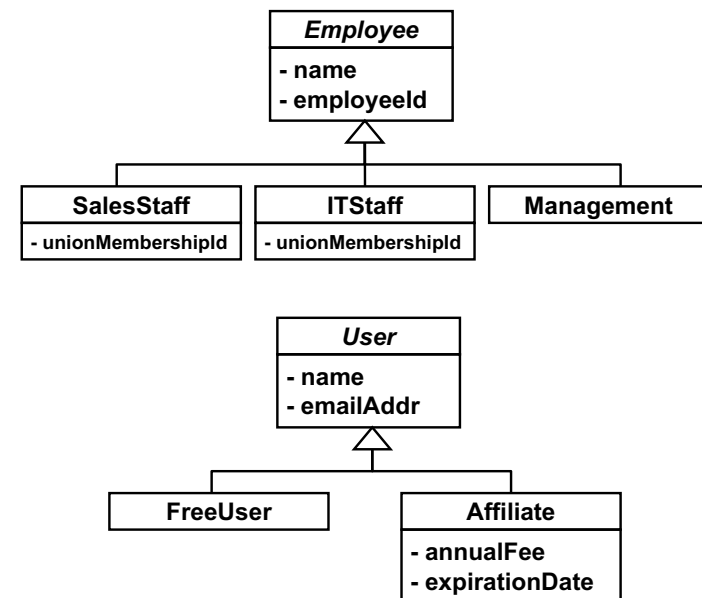
## Other Use Cases



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## Another Example: DVD Player

- Imagine you implement a firmware of DVD players
  - Focus on a player's **behaviors** upon **events**.
  - Events
    - The "Open/Close" button is pushed.
    - The "Play" button is pushed.
    - The "Stop" button is pushed.
  - The player differently behaves upon a certain event depending on its current state.
    - State-dependent behaviors



## State-Dependent Behaviors

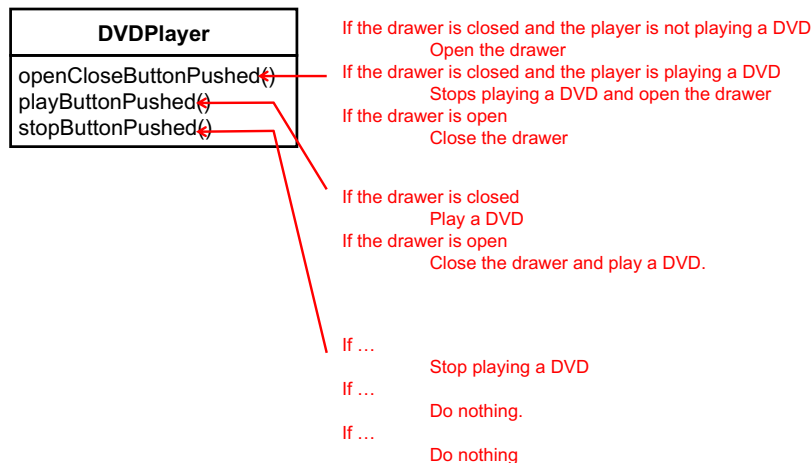
- When the "open/close" button pushed,
  - Opens the drawer
    - If the drawer is closed and the player is not playing a DVD.
  - Stops playing a DVD and opens the drawer
    - If the drawer is closed and the player is playing a DVD.
  - Closes the drawer
    - If the drawer is open.
- When the "play" button pushed,
  - Plays a DVD
    - If the drawer is closed.
      - Displays an error message if the drawer is empty.
  - Closes the drawer and plays a DVD
    - If the drawer is open.
      - Displays an error message if the drawer is empty.
- When the "stop" button pushed
  - Stops playing a DVD
    - If the drawer is closed and the player is playing a DVD
  - Does nothing.
    - If the drawer is closed and the player is not playing a DVD.
  - Does nothing
    - If the drawer is open.



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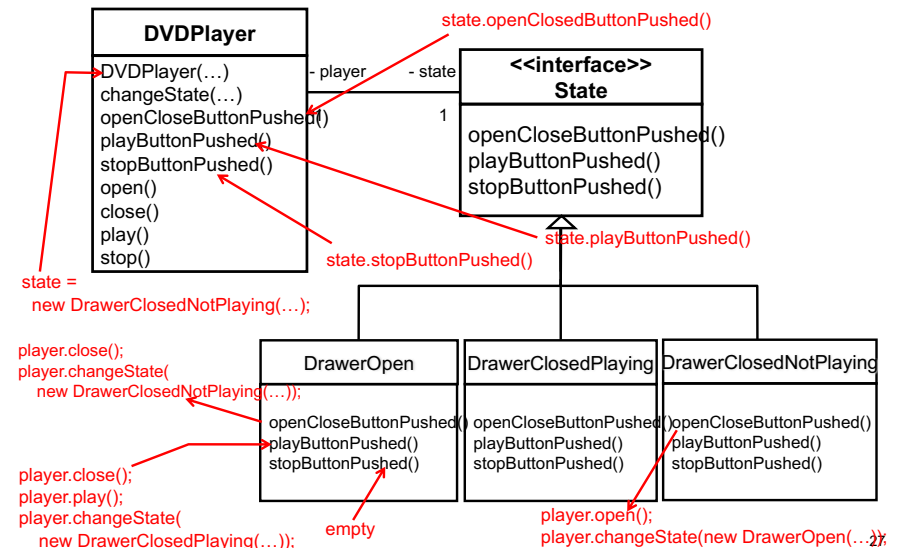
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## How to Implement State-dependent Behaviors?



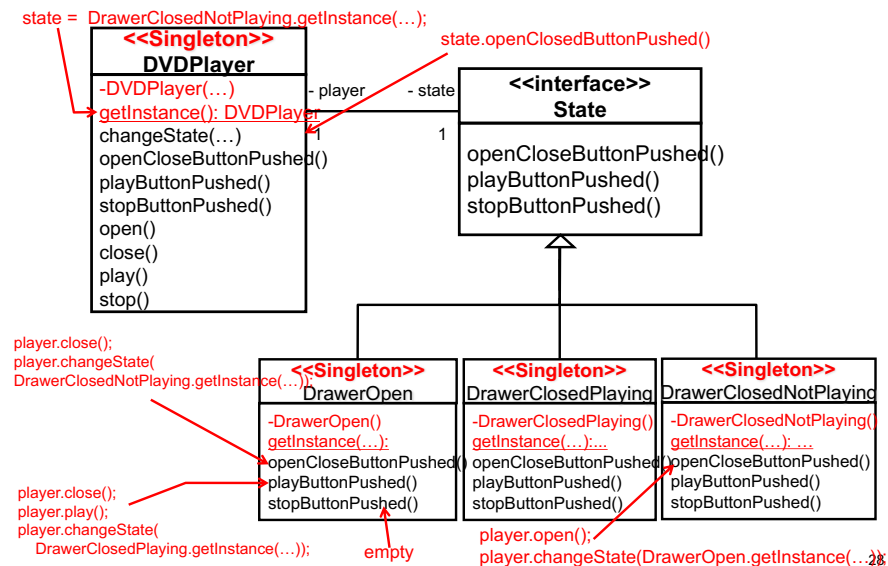
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## Defining States as Classes



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# State Classes as *Singleton*



## State

- Intent
  - Allow an object to change its behavior according to its state.
  - Can implement state-dependent behaviors without conditionals.

# If-based and State-based Designs

- If-based
  - Easy to implement first
  - Hard to maintain a long sequence of conditional branches (“if” statements).
- State-based
  - May not be that easy to implement first
  - Easy to maintain
    - If new buttons/events are added, just add extra methods in state classes.
      - No need to modify existing methods.
    - If new states are added, just add extra state classes.
      - No need to modify existing classes.
  - Initial cost may be higher, but maintenance cost (or total cost) should be lower
    - as changes are made in the future.

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## HW 3

- Implement the design in Slide 25.
- Write and run at least one test case for every single public method.
- Deadline: March 8 (Thu) midnight
  - Start working on it early. Expect a potential “death by XML.”

## One More Example: A Simple 2D Game

- Use <batchtest> to have Ant search test classes in your project directory and run all of them (DVDPlayerTest, etc.).

– <junit ...>

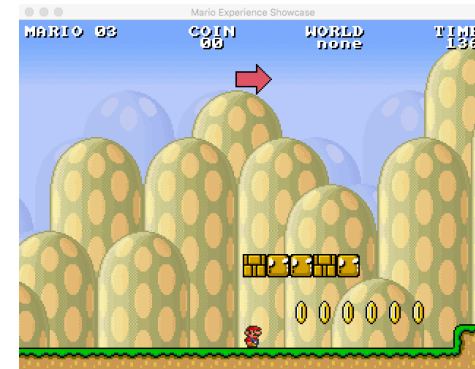
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</junit>
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– c.f. JUnit documentation

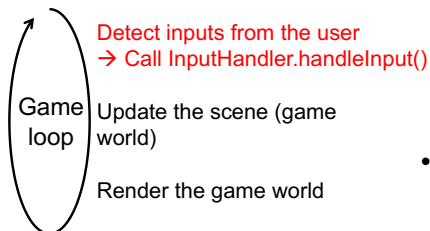
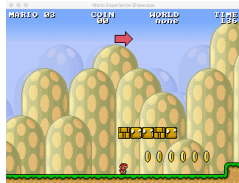
- Imagine a simple 2D game like Super Mario
  - <http://www.marioai.org/>
  - <http://www.platformersai.com>



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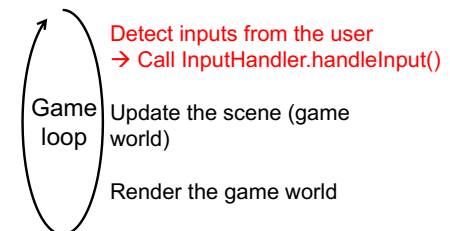
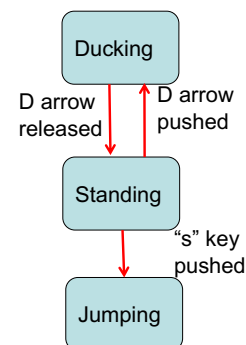
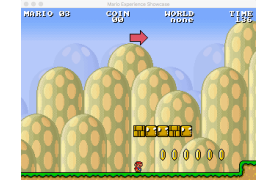
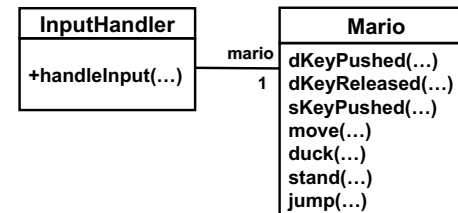
## Handling User Inputs



```
InputHandler ih = new InputHandler(...);
while(true){
    ih.handleInput(...);
    ...
}
```

- 5 types of inputs
  - The user pushes the right arrow, left arrow, down arrow and “s” keys.
    - R arrow to move right
    - L arrow to move left
    - D arrow to duck
    - “s” to jump
  - The user releases the D arrow to stand up.

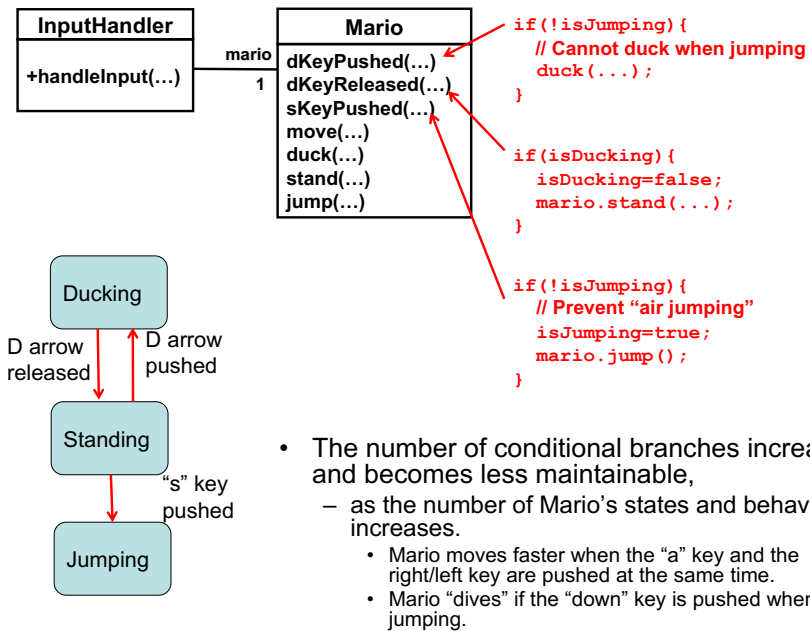
- InputHandler
  - `handleInput()`
    - identifies a keyboard input since the last game loop iteration (i.e. since the last frame).
    - 60 frames/s (FPS): One input per frame (i.e. during 1.6 msec)



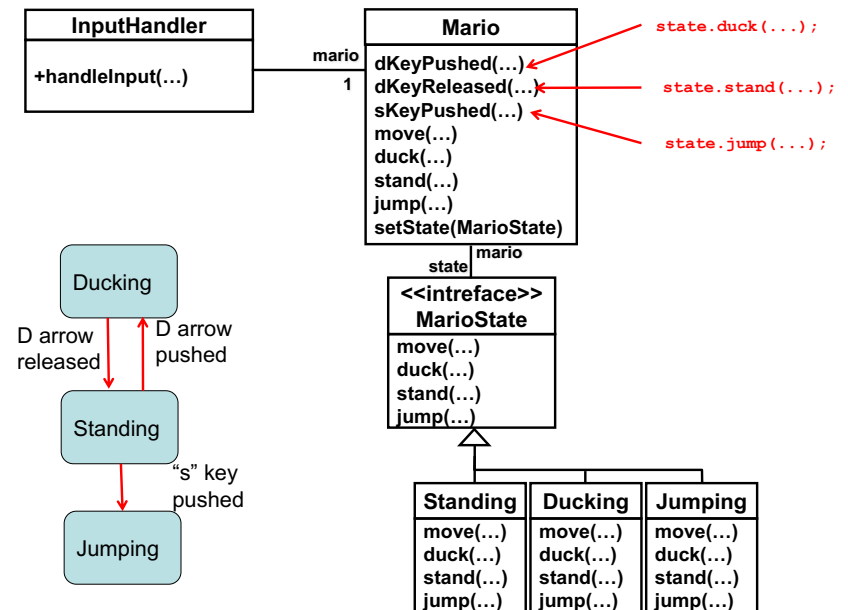
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## HW 4

- Explain how each state class's methods should be implemented.
- Deadline: