



CS244 Advanced Programming Applications

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Lecture 4

Polymorphism

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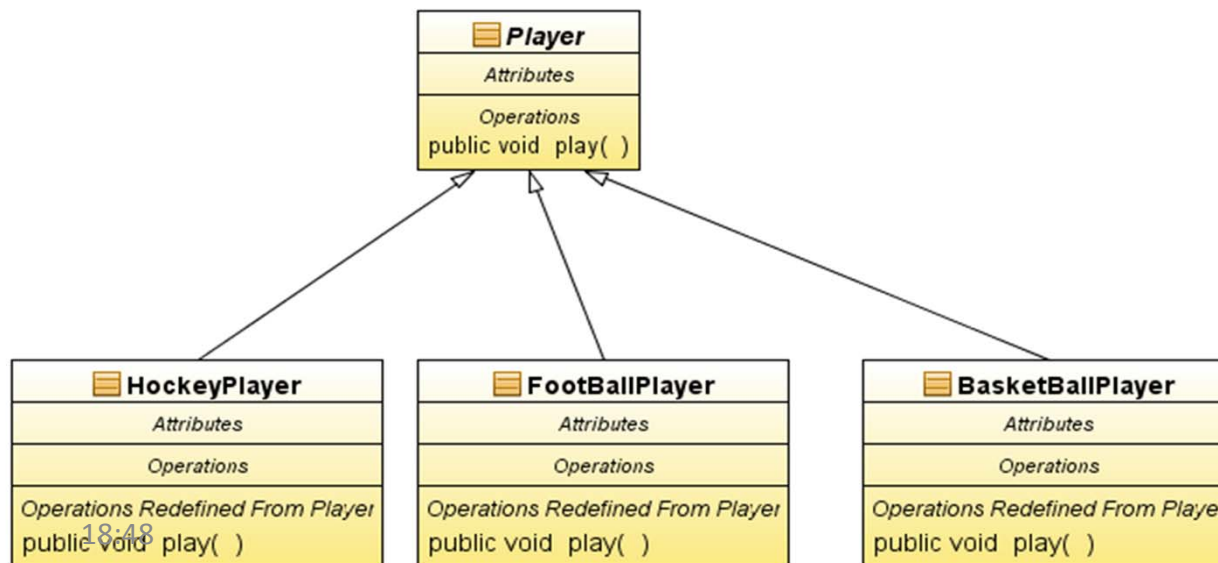
- **polymorphism:** The ability for the **same code** to behave **differently** depending on the type of argument used.

```
class Person
open(Window w)
open (Present p)
open(BankAccount ba)
```

Method Overloading



- **polymorphism:** The ability for the **same code** to be used with **several** different types of objects and behave **differently** depending on the type of object used.



Method Overriding

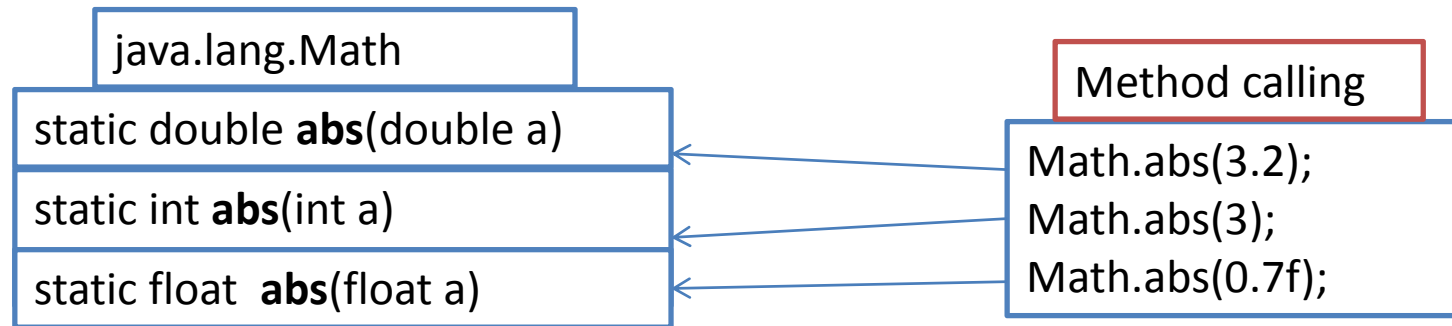
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Dynamic method dispatch

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Polymorphism with Method Overloading

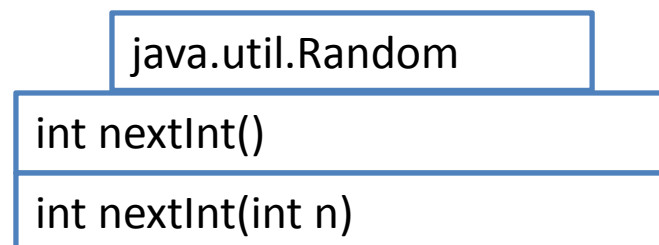
Method overloading : define two or more methods within the same class that share the same name, as long as their parameter declarations are different.



➤ When an overloaded method is invoked, Java uses the type and/or number of arguments as its guide to determine which version of the overloaded method to actually call.

➤ **overloaded methods must differ in the type and/or number of their parameters.**

➤ The return type alone is insufficient to distinguish two versions of a method.



Method Overriding

- When a method in a subclass has the same name and type signature as a method in its superclass, then the method in the subclass *overrides the method in the superclass*.
- When an overridden method is called by an object from a subclass, it refers to the version of that method defined by the subclass.
- **By overriding the subclass redefines a the behavior of a method.**

```
class Employee{  
    public double getSalary(){  
        return 1000;}}
```

```
class Manager extends Employee{  
    public double getSalary(){  
        return 1500;  
    }}
```

```
public class Test{  
    public static void main(String [] arg){  
        Employee emp=new Employee();  
        Manager manager=new Manager();  
        double salary1=emp.getSalary();//1000  
        double salary2=manager.getSalary();//1500  
    }}
```

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Overriding Rules

1. The two methods must have :same name-same arguments same return type.
2. The access modifier of an overriding must provide at least **as much access** as the overridden method,.
3. Static /non static methods can only be overridden by static /non static methods,

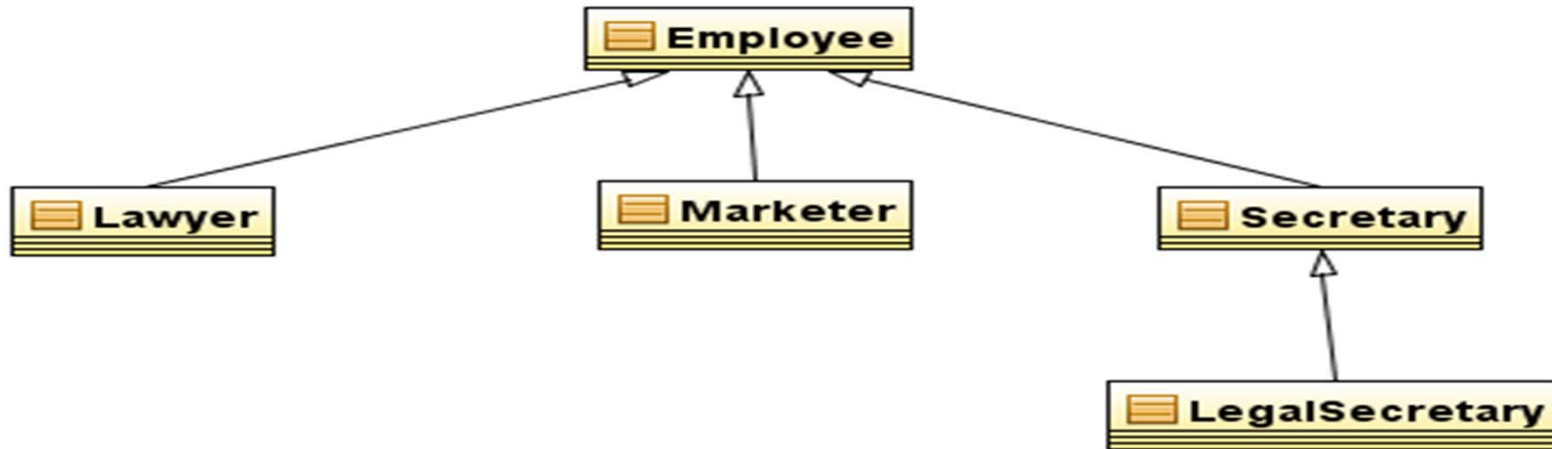
The keyword **super** can be used at the subclass to point to members of superclass

```
class Manager extends Employee{  
    public double getSalary(){  
        return super.getSalary()+500;  
    }}
```

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Case Study :Law Firm



- Consider the following employee regulations:
 - Employees make a **salary** of L.E.40,000 per year, except legal secretaries who make L.E5,000 extra per year (L.E45,000 total), and marketers who make L.E 10,000 extra per year (L.E50,000 total).
 - Employees have 10 **days** of paid vacation leave per year, except lawyers who get an extra 5 days.



```
class Employee{
private double salary;
private int vacationDays;
public Employee(){
vacationDays=10;
sallary=40_000;
}
public double getSalary(){
return salary;
}
public double getVacationDays(){
return vacationDays;
}
}
```

```
class Lawyer extends Employee
{
public double getVacationDays()
{
return super.getVacationDays()+5;
}
.....
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```

```
class Marketer extends Employee
{
public double getSalary()
{
return super.getSalary()+10000;
}
.....
}
```

```
class Secretary extends Employee
{
public void takeDectattion(){}
}
}
```

```
class LegalSecretary extends Secretary {
public double getSalary()
{
return super.getSalary()+5000;
}
.....
}
```

Class Object

`java.lang.Object`

```
public class Object
```

Class `Object` is the root of the class hierarchy. Every class has `Object` as a superclass. All objects, including arrays, implement the methods of this class.

Constructor Summary

[Object\(\)](#)

Method Summary

`protected Object clone\(\)` Creates and returns a copy of this object.

`public boolean equals\(Object obj\)` : Indicates whether some other object is "equal to" this one.

`public String toString\(\)` Returns a string representation of the object.



object.toString()

Method `toString` returns the Hash code for the object, this method is called **automatically** by `System.out.println`

A screenshot of a terminal window showing the output of a Java program. The text 'A@190d11' is displayed in a white font on a black background.

```
class A{
int i;
int j;
A(int i,int j)
{
this.i=i;
this.j=j;
}
}
```

```
class Test
{
public static void main (String[] arg){
A a1=new A(3,4);
System.out.println(a1.toString());
}}
```

N.B.: printing an object using `System.out.println(object)` or `print(object)` means automatically `System.out.println(object.toString())` & `print(object.toString())`



Overriding object.toString()

```
class A
{
  int i;
  int j;
  A(int i,int j)
  {
    this.i=i;
    this.j=j;
  }
  public String toString()
  {
    String s="i="+i+" j="+j;
    return s;
  }
}
```

```
class Test
{
  public static void main (String[] arg){
    A a1=new A(3,4);
    System.out.println(a1);
  }
}
```

i=3 j=4



polymorphic references

Rule 1

A reference variable of a type class T can legally refer to an object of T **or** any subclass of T.

```
class T
{
}
```

```
class K extends T
{
}
```

T t1=new K();

Rule 2

A reference variable of a type interfaces T can legally refer to an object of classes implementing interface T

```
interface T
{
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```

```
class K implements T
{
}
```

T t1=new K();



Dynamic method dispatch

Java determines which version of that method to execute based upon the **real** type of the object being referred to **at the time the call occurs**.

```
class A {  
    void callme() {  
        System.out.println("Inside A's callme method");  
    }  
}  
class B extends A {  
    void callme() {  
        System.out.println("Inside B's callme method");  
    }  
}
```

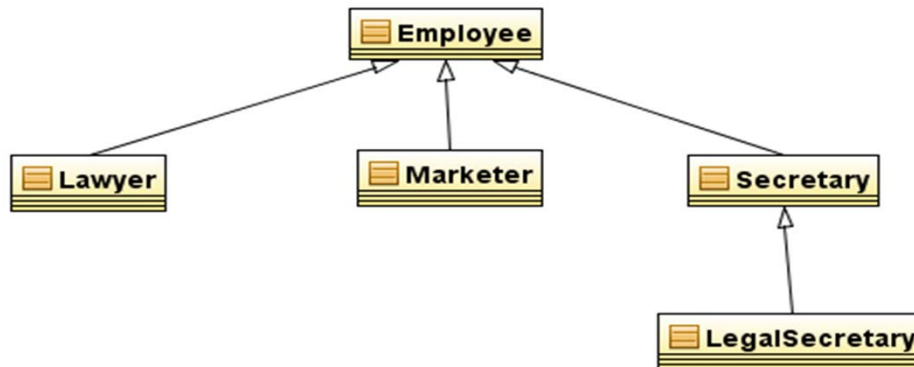
```
class Test {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        A a = new A(); // object of type A  
        A b = new B(); // object of type B  
        a.callme(); // calls A's version of callme  
        b.callme(); // calls B's version of callme  
    }  
}
```

```
Inside A's callme method  
Inside B's callme method
```



Dynamic method dispatch : Example from the case study

```
Employee person = new Lawyer();  
int days=person.getVacationDays();// days =15
```



Object type : class Lawyer

Reference type : class Employee

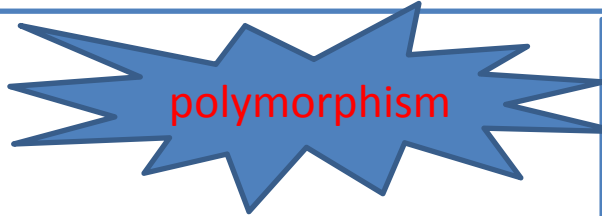
- The reference **person** of type **Employee** pointing to an object of type **Lawyer** will act as a lawyer , and call **getVacationDays()** of class **Lawyer** not **Employee**
- You can call any methods from `Employee` on the variable `person`, but not any methods specific to `Lawyer` (such as `sue`).
- `person.sue()` // compile error



Benefits of polymorphism(1)

➤ A method declaring in its argument list a super class data type can receive an object of any of its subclasses.

```
class A
{
  int i=9;
  void m1(){}
}
```



```
class D{
  public void m(A a){
    /////
    a.m1();
    /////
  }
}
```

```
class B extends A
{
  int j=10;
  void m1(){}
  void m2(){}
}
```

```
class C extends A
{
  void m1(){}
  void m2(){}
}
```

```
Class Test{
  public static void main (String [] arg){
    D d=new D();
    A a1=new A();
    B b1=new B();
    C c1=new C();
    d.m(a1);
    d.m(b1);
    d.m(c1);
  }
}
```

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N.B. : Method m can **only** access the member variables of class A

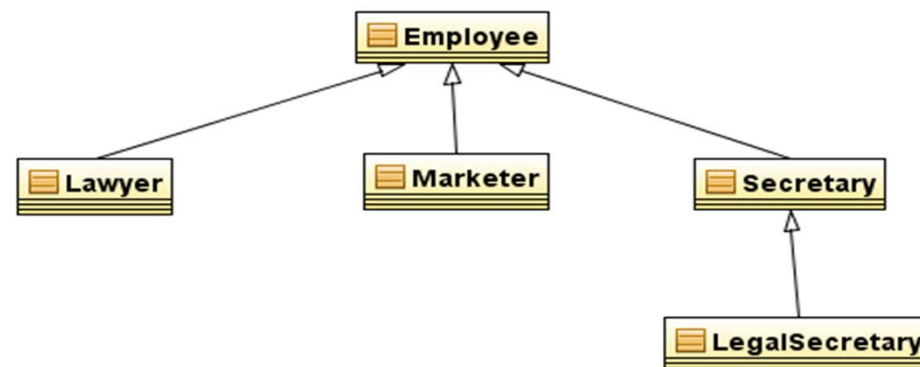


Benefits of polymorphism(1)

➤ A method declaring in its argument list a super class data type can receive an object of any of its subclasses.

```
public class EmployeeMain {
public static void printInfo(Employee empl) {
System.out.println("salary = " + empl.getSalary());
System.out.println("days = " + empl.getVacationDays());
System.out.println();
}
public static void main(String[] args) {
Lawyer lisa = new Lawyer();
Secretary steve = new Secretary();
printInfo(lisa);
printInfo(steve);
}
}
```

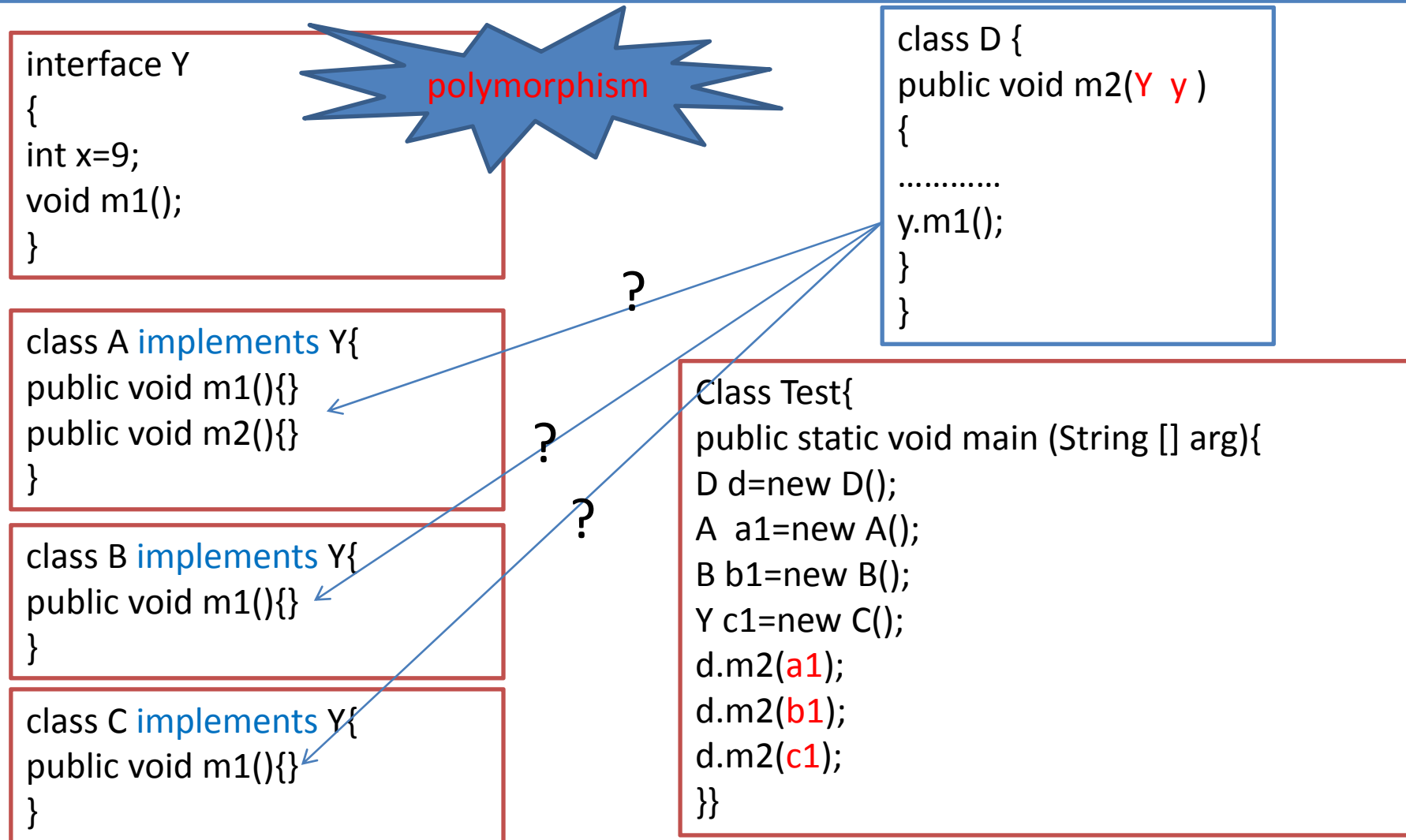
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Benefits of polymorphism(2)

➤ A method declaring in its argument list an interface data type can receive an object of any class implementing the interface.



N.B. : reference y can **only** access the member of interface Y
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Dynamic Method Dispatch is applied



Benefits of polymorphism(3)

➤ You can declare arrays of superclass types, and store objects of any subtype as elements.

Example

```
public class Test {
public static void main(String[] args) {
Employee[] employees = {new Lawyer(), new Secretary(),
new Marketer(), new LegalSecretary()};
for (int i = 0; i < employees.length; i++) {
System.out.println("salary = " +employees[i].getSalary());
System.out.println("vacation days="+employees[i].getVacationDays());
System.out.println();
}
}
}
```

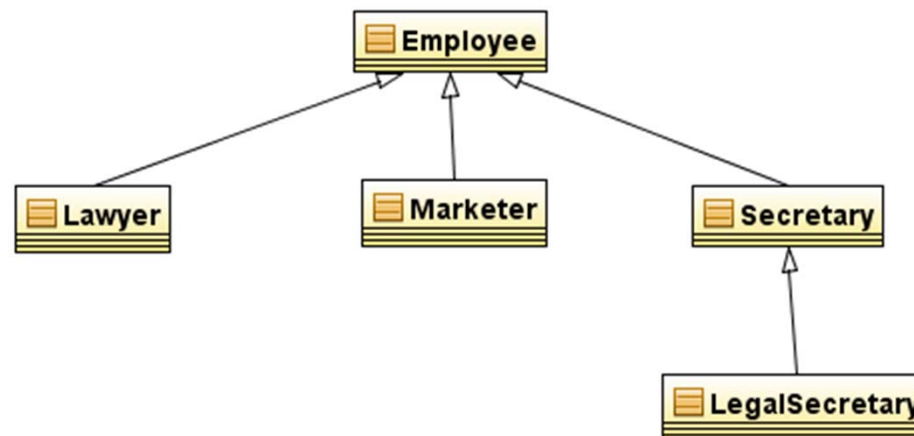
```
salary = 10000.0
vacation days=15.0

salary = 10000.0
vacation days=10.0

salary = 20000.0
vacation days=10.0

salary = 15000.0
vacation days=10.0
```

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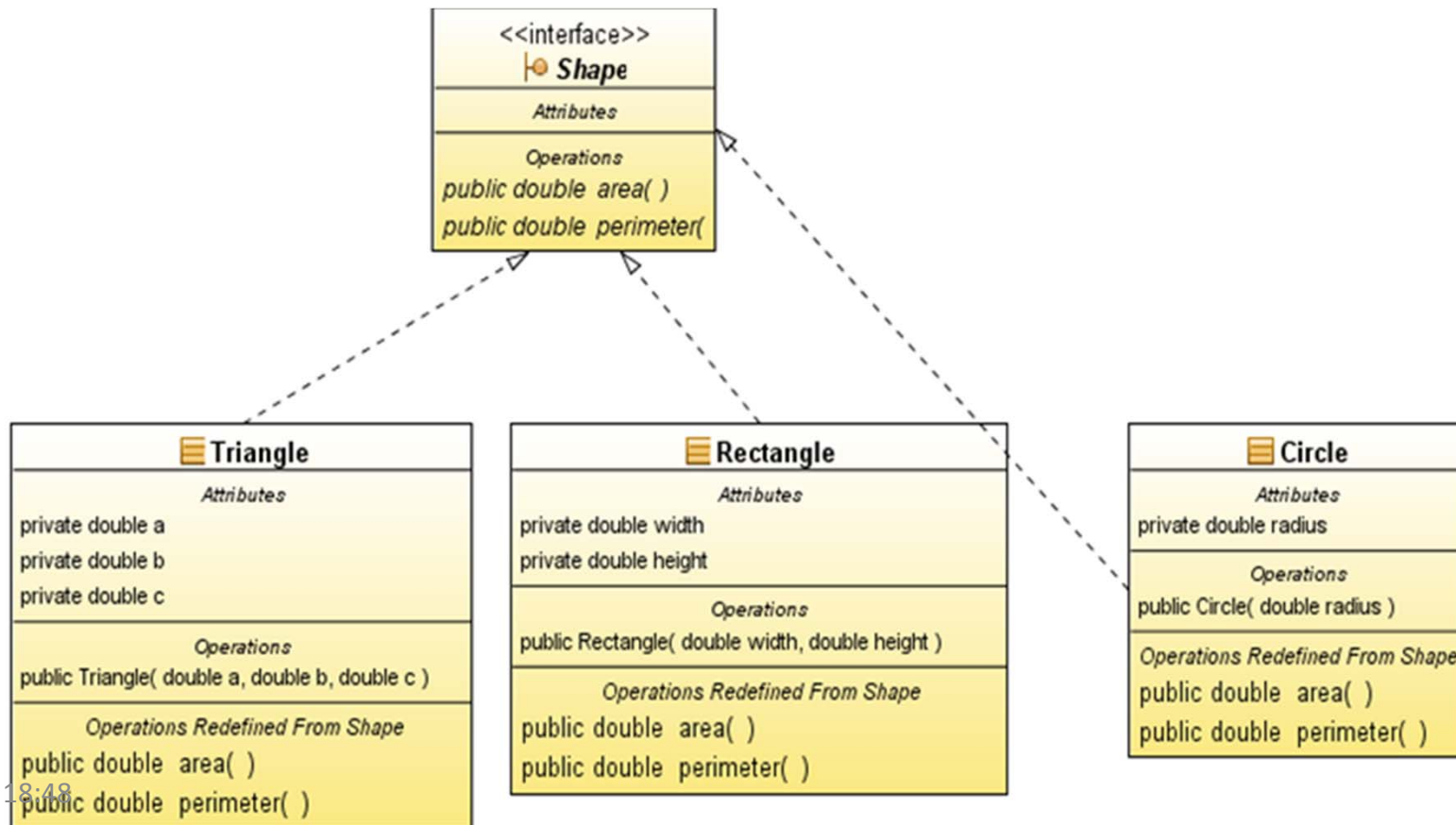
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Benefits of polymorphism(4)

We can create an array of an interface type, and store any object implementing that interface as an element.

```
Circle circ = new Circle(12.0);  
Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(4, 7);  
Triangle tri = new Triangle(5, 12, 13);  
Shape[] shapes = {circ, tri, rect};
```





Object Casting

Syntax:

To cast the reference `a` to be of type `B`

```
A a1=new B();
```

.....

.....

```
B b=(B)a1; //casting
```

Casting checked twice

At compilation : class `B` is sub class of `A`
(otherwise compile error)

At runtime: `a1` points to an object of class `B`
(otherwise runtime error: `classCastException`)

Instanceof Operator

➤ `instanceof` is a a boolean java operator that returns true or false

➤ Usage: ***reference instanceof class***

returns true if the reference points to an object of this class or any of its subclasses

➤ Usage: ***reference instanceof interface***

returns true if the reference points to an object of a class implementing the interface

```
class A  
{  
}  
}
```

```
class B extends A  
{  
}  
}
```

```
B b1=new B();  
System.out.println(b1 instanceof B);//true  
System.out.println(b1 instanceof A);//true
```

Example

```
public abstract class Shape{
public abstract double getArea();
}
```

```
public class Circle extends Shape{
private double radius;
public Circle( double radius)
{
this.radius=radius;
}
public double getRadius(){return radius;}
Public double getArea(){
return 3.14*radius*radius;}
}
```

```
public class Rectangle extends Shape{
private double width;
private double height;
public Rectangle(double width,double height){
this .width=width;
this .height=height;
}
public double getWidth(){return width;}
public double getHeight(){return height;}
public double getArea()
{return width*height;}
}
```

```
public class Test {
public static void main(String[] args) {
Shape shape1 = new Circle(2);
Shape shape2 = new Rectangle(3, 4);
displayObject(shape1);
displayObject(shape2);
}
public static void displayObject(Shape shape) {
System.out.println("area="+shape.getArea());

if (shape instanceof Circle) {
Circle c=(Circle)shape;
System.out.println("The circle radius is "
+c.getRadius());
}
else if (shape instanceof Rectangle) {
Rectangle rect=(Rectangle)shape;
System.out.println("The rectangle Width is "
+(rect.getWidth()));
System.out.println("The rectangle height is "
+(rect.getHeight()));
}
}
}
```

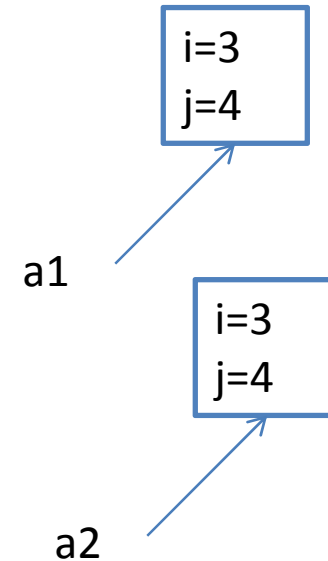


object.equals()

Method **equals** in class Object offers only a **trivial** comparison, as it compares whether the 2 reference for the 2 objects are equal and not the contents of the 2 objects.

```
public class A{
private int i;
private int j;
public A(int i,int j)
{
this.i=i;
this.j=j;
}
}
```

```
class Test
{
public static void main (String[] arg){
A a1=new A(3,4);
A a2=new A(3,4);
System.out.println(a1.equals(a2));
}}
```



false



Overriding object.equals()

```
class A
{
int i;
int j;
A(int i,int j)
{
this.i=i;
this.j=j;
}

public boolean equals(Object obj)
{
A a2=(A)obj;
if ( (i==a2.i)&&(j==a2.j) )
return true;
else
return false;
}}
```

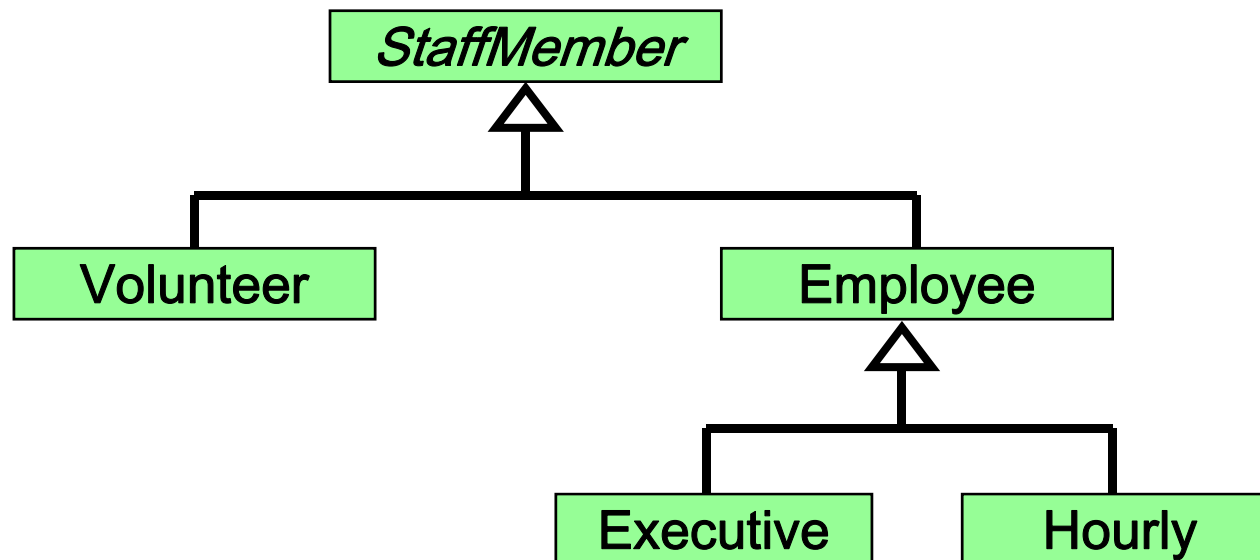
```
class Test
{
public static void main (String[] arg)
{
A a1=new A(3,4);
A a2=new A(3,4);
System.out.println(a1.equals(a2));
}
}
```

true



Case Study: Simple Payroll System

Consider the class hierarchy shown in Figure. The classes in it represent various types of employees that might be employed at a particular company..





```

//*****
//  StaffMember.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
//  Represents a generic staff member.
//*****

abstract public class StaffMember
{
    protected String name;
    protected String address;
    protected String phone;

    //-----
    //  Constructor: Sets up this staff member using the specified
    //  information.
    //-----
    public StaffMember (String eName, String eAddress, String ePhone)
    {
        name = eName;
        address = eAddress;
        phone = ePhone;
    }
}

```

continue



continue

```
//-----  
// Returns a string including the basic employee information.  
//-----  
public String toString()  
{  
    String result = "Name: " + name + "\n";  
  
    result += "Address: " + address + "\n";  
    result += "Phone: " + phone;  
  
    return result;  
}  
  
//-----  
// Derived classes must define the pay method for each type of  
// employee.  
//-----  
public abstract double pay();  
}
```




```

//*****
//  Volunteer.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
//  Represents a staff member that works as a volunteer.
//*****

public class Volunteer extends StaffMember
{
    //-----
    //  Constructor: Sets up this volunteer using the specified
    //  information.
    //-----
    public Volunteer (String eName, String eAddress, String ePhone)
    {
        super (eName, eAddress, ePhone);
    }

    //-----
    //  Returns a zero pay value for this volunteer.
    //-----
    public double pay()
    {
        return 0.0;
    }
}

```



```

//*****
//  Employee.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
//  Represents a general paid employee.
//*****

public class Employee extends StaffMember
{
    protected String socialSecurityNumber;
    protected double payRate;

    //-----
    //  Constructor: Sets up this employee with the specified
    //  information.
    //-----
    public Employee (String eName, String eAddress, String ePhone,
                    String socSecNumber, double rate)
    {
        super (eName, eAddress, ePhone);

        socialSecurityNumber = socSecNumber;
        payRate = rate;
    }
}

```

continue



continue

```
//-----  
// Returns information about an employee as a string.  
//-----  
public String toString()  
{  
    String result = super.toString();  
  
    result += "\nSocial Security Number: " + socialSecurityNumber;  
  
    return result;  
}  
  
//-----  
// Returns the pay rate for this employee.  
//-----  
public double pay()  
{  
    return payRate;  
}  
}
```



```
//*****  
//  Executive.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus  
//  
//  Represents an executive staff member, who can earn a bonus.  
//*****  
  
public class Executive extends Employee  
{  
    private double bonus;  
  
    //-----  
    //  Constructor: Sets up this executive with the specified  
    //  information.  
    //-----  
    public Executive (String eName, String eAddress, String ePhone,  
                     String socSecNumber, double rate)  
    {  
        super (eName, eAddress, ePhone, socSecNumber, rate);  
  
        bonus = 0;  // bonus has yet to be awarded  
    }  
}
```

continue



continue

```
//-----  
// Awards the specified bonus to this executive.  
//-----  
public void awardBonus (double execBonus)  
{  
    bonus = execBonus;  
}  
  
//-----  
// Computes and returns the pay for an executive, which is the  
// regular employee payment plus a one-time bonus.  
//-----  
public double pay()  
{  
    double payment = super.pay() + bonus;  
  
    bonus = 0;  
  
    return payment;  
}  
}
```



```
//*****  
//  Hourly.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus  
//  
//  Represents an employee that gets paid by the hour.  
//*****  
  
public class Hourly extends Employee  
{  
    private int hoursWorked;  
  
    //-----  
    //  Constructor: Sets up this hourly employee using the specified  
    //  information.  
    //-----  
    public Hourly (String eName, String eAddress, String ePhone,  
                  String socSecNumber, double rate)  
    {  
        super (eName, eAddress, ePhone, socSecNumber, rate);  
  
        hoursWorked = 0;  
    }  
}
```

continue



continue

```
//-----  
// Adds the specified number of hours to this employee's  
// accumulated hours.  
//-----  
public void addHours (int moreHours)  
{  
    hoursWorked += moreHours;  
}  
  
//-----  
// Computes and returns the pay for this hourly employee.  
//-----  
public double pay()  
{  
    double payment = payRate * hoursWorked;  
  
    hoursWorked = 0;  
  
    return payment;  
}
```

continue



continue

```
//-----  
// Returns information about this hourly employee as a string.  
//-----  
public String toString()  
{  
    String result = super.toString();  
  
    result += "\nCurrent hours: " + hoursWorked;  
  
    return result;  
}  
}
```




```
/** *****  
// Staff.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus  
//  
// Represents the personnel staff of a particular business.  
/** *****  
  
public class Staff  
{  
    private StaffMember[] staffList;  
  
    //-----  
    // Constructor: Sets up the list of staff members.  
    //-----  
    public Staff ()  
    {  
        staffList = new StaffMember[6];  
    }  
}
```

continue



continue

```
staffList[0] = new Executive ("Sam", "123 Main Line",
    "555-0469", "123-45-6789", 2423.07);

staffList[1] = new Employee ("Carla", "456 Off Line",
    "555-0101", "987-65-4321", 1246.15);
staffList[2] = new Employee ("Woody", "789 Off Rocker",
    "555-0000", "010-20-3040", 1169.23);

staffList[3] = new Hourly ("Diane", "678 Fifth Ave.",
    "555-0690", "958-47-3625", 10.55);

staffList[4] = new Volunteer ("Norm", "987 Suds Blvd.",
    "555-8374");
staffList[5] = new Volunteer ("Cliff", "321 Duds Lane",
    "555-7282");

((Executive)staffList[0]).awardBonus (500.00);

((Hourly)staffList[3]).addHours (40);
}
```

continue



continue

```
//-----  
// Pays all staff members.  
//-----  
public void payday ()  
{  
    double amount;  
  
    for (int count=0; count < staffList.length; count++)  
    {  
        System.out.println (staffList[count]);  
  
        amount = staffList[count].pay(); // polymorphic  
  
        if (amount == 0.0)  
            System.out.println ("Thanks!");  
        else  
            System.out.println ("Paid: " + amount);  
  
        System.out.println ("-----");  
    }  
}
```



```
//*****  
// Firm.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus  
//  
// Demonstrates polymorphism via inheritance.  
//*****  
  
public class Firm  
{  
    //-----  
    // Creates a staff of employees for a firm and pays them.  
    //-----  
    public static void main (String[] args)  
    {  
        Staff personnel = new Staff();  
  
        personnel.payday();  
    }  
}
```

Class Firm is known as the driver class as it contains the main method, The Firm class shown contains a main driver that creates a Staff of employees and invokes the payday method to pay them all. The program output includes information about each employee and how much each is paid (if anything).



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{
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    //-----
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        Staff personnel = new Staff();

        personnel.payday();
    }
}
```



Output

Name: Sam
Address: 123 Main Line
Phone: 555-0469
Social Security Number: 123-45-6789
Paid: 2923.07

Name: Carla
Address: 456 Off Line
Phone: 555-0101
Social Security Number: 987-65-4321
Paid: 1246.15

Name: Woody
Address: 789 Off Rocker
Phone: 555-0000
Social Security Number: 010-20-3040
Paid: 1169.23

Output (continued)

Name: Diane
Address: 678 Fifth Ave.
Phone: 555-0690
Social Security Number: 958-47-3625
Current hours: 40
Paid: 422.0

Name: Norm
Address: 987 Suds Blvd.
Phone: 555-8374
Thanks!

Name: Cliff
Address: 321 Duds Lane
Phone: 555-7282
Thanks!