

CS105 Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming

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Abstract Classes and Interfaces

Outline

- Shapes
- Inheritance
- Abstract Classes
- Abstract and Concrete Classes
- Abstract Functions
- Interface
- Adapter Class
- instanceof operator

Shapes

- Let's implement classes for shapes
 - -Rectangle
 - -Circle
 - -etc.
- What is common in all these shapes?
 - x and y coordinates that hints about the location of the shape.

Shapes

• (x,y) coordinate •



 In circle we hold an additional radius, in rectangle we have height and width.

Inheritance

- We can have a shape class.
- Other shapes can inherit from the shape class.



- Sometimes a class should define a method that logically belongs in the class, but that class cannot specify how to implement the method.
- For instance:
 - -Every shape has an area.
 - -Logically, every shape should have a **getArea** method.
 - –But ...

- Every shape has an area.
- Logically, every shape should have a getArea method.
- But, the area of every shape is calculated differently.
 - -Area of Circle = pow(radius, 2) × pi
 - –Area of Rectangle = height × width
- There is not any implementation of getArea method in the Shape class that is correct for all subclasses of Shape.

-Therefore, we need to enforce the subclasses of Shape to implement the **getArea** method.

Abstract Classes

- At this point
 - -Every shape has an area.
 - -But there is not a possible way to implement the **getArea** method in the **Shape** class.
 - -Therefore, maybe we should not let the instantiation of a **Shape** object, even when we have the **Shape** class.
 - instantiate: create a new instance
 - Can we?
 - Yes we can, with use of abstract classes.
- Classes that cannot be used to instantiate objects are abstract classes.

Abstract and Concrete Classes

- Classes that cannot be used to instantiate objects are abstract classes.
- Classes that can be used to instantiate objects are concrete classes.
- Concrete class is the default class.

Abstract Classes

- Classes that cannot be used to instantiate objects are abstract classes.
- They are used as super-classes during inheritance and provide common attributes and behaviors to its sub-classes.

Shape Class (Concrete)

```
public class Shape {
    private int x;
    private int y;
    public Shape (int x, int y) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
    public int getX() {
        return x;
    public int getY() {
        return y;
                   public static void main(String[] args) {
                       Shape s = new Shape (0, 1);
                       s.getX();
```

Shape Class (Abstract)

```
public abstract class Shape {
    private int x;
    private int y;
    public Shape (int x, int y) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
    public int getX() {
        return x;
    public int getY() {
        return y;
```

• You make a class **abstract** by declaring it with keyword **abstract**.

Shape Class (Abstract)

```
public abstract class Shape {
    private int x;
    private int y;
    public Shape (int x, int y) {
         this.x = x;
         this.y = y;
    public int getX() {
         return x;
    public int getY() {
         return y;
                        public static void main(String[] args)
                             Shape s = new Shape (0, 1);
                                             Cannot instantiate the type Shape
                             s.getX();
                                                       Press 'F2' for focus
                        }
```

Abstract Classes

- Abstract classes are incomplete.
- Their sub-classes can complete these incomplete parts and become concrete classes.
- If they don't, sub-classes will be also abstract.
- What do we mean by incomplete?

-Remember the **getArea()** function.

Abstract Functions

• A method that has been declared but not implemented is an abstract function.

public abstract float getArea();

- The keyword abstract needs to be used.
- The body of the method is missing.
 - incomplete function
- Constructors and static methods cannot be abstract.

Shape Class (Abstract)

```
public abstract class Shape {
    private int x;
    private int y;
    public abstract float getArea();
    public Shape (int x, int y) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
    }
    public int getX() {
        return x;
    public int getY() {
        return y;
    }
}
```

Abstract Classes

- A class which contains at least one abstract function is an abstract class and must be <u>declared</u> abstract.
- A class can still be an abstract class even if it does not contain any abstract methods but contain the abstract keyword.
- Concrete classes provide implementations of every method they declare.
- A concrete sub-class <u>needs to implement</u> all the abstract methods inherited from the abstract super-class.

Abstract Classes

• When inheriting from an abstract class

-If the sub-class implements all the inherited abstract methods, it can be instantiated

-If the subclass does not implement all the inherited abstract methods, it too must be abstract.

Inheriting from abstract Shape class.



Inheriting from abstract Shape class.
 One solution is to make Rectangle class abstract as well

```
public abstract class Rectangle extends Shape{
    private float width;
    private float height;

    public Rectangle (int x, int y, float w, float h) {
        super(x, y);
        width = w;
        height = h;
    }
}
```

• Inheriting from abstract Shape class.

}

-The other solution is to implement the getArea method.

```
private float width;
private float height;
public Rectangle (int x, int y, float w, float h) {
    super(x, y);
    width = w;
    height = h;
}
public float getArea() {
    return width*height;
}
```

Inheriting from abstract Shape class.
 –Same for the circle class..

```
public class Circle extends Shape {
    private float radius;

    public Circle (int x, int y, float radius) {
        super(x, y);
        this.radius = radius;
    }
    public float getArea() {
        return radius*radius*3.14f;
    }
}
```

Using Shapes

```
public class ShapesMain {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
```

}

}

```
Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(0, 10, 10, 5);
Circle circ = new Circle(10, 10, 5);
```

```
System.out.println(rect.getArea());
System.out.println(circ.getArea());
```

```
50.0
78.5
```

Quick Note

- Not all hierarchies contain abstract classes.
- Not all super-classes needs to be abstract.

Remember the last class

• We have the following classes:

-Shape is not abstract

```
public class Rectangle extends Shape{
    private float width;
    private float height;

    public Rectangle (int x, int y, float w, float h)
        super(x, y);
        width = w;
        height = h;
    }
    public float getArea() {
        return width*height;
    }
```

```
public class Shape {
    private int x;
    private int y;

    public Shape (int x, int y) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
    }
    public int getX() {
        return x;
    }
    public int getY() {
        return y;
    }
}
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Shape s = new Rectangle(10, 10, 20, 5);
    System.out.println(s.getArea());
}
```

Remember the last class

 When Shape is abstract, we don't get that compiler error.

-Why?

```
public abstract class Shape {
   private int x;
   private int y;
   public abstract float getArea();
   public Shape (int x, int y) {
       this.x = x;
       this.y = y;
   public int getX() {
       return x;
                       public static void main(String[] args) {
   public int getY() {
       return y;
                            Shape s = new Rectangle(10, 10, 20, 5);
                            System.out.println(s.getArea());
```

Remember the last class

• When Shape is abstract, we don't get that compiler error.

-Why?

- getArea method has been declared in Shape class
- Any object that Shape can refer to needs to implement this getArea method in order to be instantiated.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Shape s = new Rectangle(10, 10, 20, 5);
    System.out.println(s.getArea());
}
```

- There are things we cannot do with abstract classes.
- Lets see interfaces...

Interface

- Interfaces offer a capability requiring that unrelated classes implement a set of common methods
- An interface only declares the public behaviors of a class but does not implement them.
 - -Based on this definition, in an interface
 - All methods are implicitly public
 - All methods are implicitly abstract
 - -There are not any concrete methods
 - There are not any attributes
 - -It does not contain any class instance
 - -It can contain constants (final variables)

Example interface

• Use the keyword interface

public interface Shape {
 public float getArea();

- Can we instantiate an interface?
 –No.
- Actually an interface is a <u>very</u> abstract class
 –None of its methods are implemented
 –All methods are abstract

When do you need an interface?

- You would write an interface when you want classes of various types to all have a certain set of capabilities (behaviors).
 - -You can write methods that work for more than one kind of class.
- Very common in GUI implementations.
 - interface KeyListener {

public void keyPressed(KeyEvent e);
public void keyReleased(KeyEvent e);
public void keyTyped(KeyEvent e);

Interface

- A class can **extend** a class.
- A class can **implement** an interface.

public interface Shape {
 public float getArea();
}

```
public class Circle implements Shape {
    private int x;
    private int y;
    private float radius;
    public Circle (int x, int y, float radius)
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
        this.radius = radius;
    public float getArea() {
        return radius*radius*3.14f;
    public int getX() {
        return x;
    public int getY() {
        return y;
```

Interface

- A class can only extend one class.
- A class can implement multiple interfaces.

-This lets the class fill multiple "roles"

- -In writing Applets, it is common to have one class implement several different listeners
- Example:

- When a class implements an interface, the class needs to implement all the declared methods of the interface.
- If all the declared methods are not implemented, then the class becomes an abstract class.
 At this point, we need to use the keyword abstract

```
public class Circle implements Shape {
     private i The type Circle must implement the inherited abstract method Shape.getArea()
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     private f
                  Add unimplemented methods
                   Make type 'Circle' abstract
     public Ci
                                                           Press 'F2' for focus
          this.x = x;
          this.y = y;
          this.radius = radius;
     public int getX() {
          return x;
     public int getY() {
          return y;
```

```
public abstract class Circle implements Shape {
    private int x;
    private int y;
    private float radius;
    public Circle (int x, int y, float radius) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
        this.radius = radius;
    }
    public int getX() {
        return x;
    }
    public int getY() {
        return y;
    }
}
```

• You can even extend an interface (to add methods):

public interface ShapeExtended extends Shape {
 public float getPerimeter();

Interface

You can even *extend* an interface (to add methods):

```
public interface ShapeExtended extends Shape {
    public float getPerimeter();
}
```

```
interface KeyListener {
    public void keyPressed(KeyEvent e);
    public void keyReleased(KeyEvent e);
    public void keyTyped(KeyEvent e);
}
interface FunkyKeyListener extends KeyListener {
    public void funkykeyEvent(KeyEvent e);
}
```

Interface

- When you implement an interface, you need to implement all the declared functions.
- There can be a lot of methods

```
interface KeyListener {
    public void keyPressed(KeyEvent e);
    public void keyReleased(KeyEvent e);
    public void keyTyped(KeyEvent e);
}
```

• What if you only care about a couple of these methods, not all?

Adapter Class

 An adapter class implements an interface and provides empty method bodies

class KeyAdapter implements KeyListener {
 public void keyPressed(KeyEvent e) { };
 public void keyReleased(KeyEvent e) { };
 public void keyTyped(KeyEvent e) { };
}

- You can override only the methods you care about
- This isn't elegant, but it does work
- Java provides a number of adapter classes

Example...

• With interface you can write methods that work with more than one class

```
interface RuleSet {
    boolean isLegal(Move m, Board b);
    void makeMove(Move m);
}
```

 Every class that implements RuleSet must have these methods

...Example...

class CheckersRules implements RuleSet {
 public boolean isLegal(Move m, Board b)
 { ... }
 public void makeMove(Move m) { ... }
}

```
class ChessRules implements RuleSet {
    public boolean isLegal(Move m, Board b)
{ ... }
    public void makeMove(Move m) { ... }
}
```

...Example

- Is this a legal statement?
 RuleSet rulesOfThisGame = new ChessRules();
- This assignment is legal because a rulesOfThisGame object is a RuleSet object.
- Is this a legal statement?
 - if (rulesOfThisGame.isLegal(m, b)) {
 rulesOfThisGame.makeMove(m);
 - }
- This statement is legal because, whatever kind of RuleSet object rulesOfThisGame is, it must have isLegal and makeMove methods

instanceof operator

 instanceof is a keyword that tells you whether a variable "is a" member of a class or interface
 class Dog extends Animal implements Pet {...}
 Animal fido = new Dog();

• Are these true or false?

fido instanceof Dog fido instanceof Animal fido instanceof Pet

Vocabulary ...

abstract method

a method which is declared but not defined (it has no method body)

abstract class

 –a class which either (1) contains abstract methods, or (2) has been declared abstract

Instantiate

-to create an instance (object) of a class

Interface

-Similar to a class, but contains only abstract methods (and possibly constants)

...Vocabulary

Adapter class

 A class that implements an interface but has only empty method bodies

Final methods

-methods that cannot be overridden

-all private or static methods are implicitly final

Static (early) binding

-Binding occurs during compile time

–Uses <u>reference type</u> during binding

• Dynamic (late) binding

- -Binding occurs during run time
- -Uses object type during binding

Any Questions?