

CSSE 220 Day 20

Inheritance recap

Object: the superest class of all
Inheritance and text in GUIs

Check out *Inheritance2* from SVN

Questions?

Project Team Preference Survey

- ▶ On ANGEL, under Lessons → Assignments
- ▶ Preferences help me to choose teams; I also consider your performance so far in the course
- ▶ Complete the survey by Monday, Jan 28, 2012, noon
- ▶ Most teams will have 3 students
- ▶ Are you willing to be on a team of 2?
- ▶ List up to 5 students you'd like to work with, highest preference first.
 - You may not get your first choices, so it's a good idea to list more than two
 - Best to choose partners whose commitment level and current Java coding/debugging ability is similar to yours
- ▶ List up to 2 students you'd prefer NOT to work with
 - I'll do my best to honor this, but I must find a team for everyone.




1, Object

»» The superest class in Java

Object

- ▶ Every class in Java inherits from *Object*
 - Directly and **explicitly**:
 - *public class String extends Object {...}*
 - Directly and **implicitly**:
 - *class BankAccount {...}*
 - **Indirectly**:
 - *class SavingsAccount extends BankAccount {...}*

Object Provides Several Methods

- ▶ *String toString()*  Often overridden
- ▶ *boolean equals(Object otherObject)*
- ▶ *Class getClass()*  Sometimes useful
- ▶ *Object clone()*  Often dangerous!
- ▶ ...

Overriding *toString()*

- ▶ Return a concise, human-readable summary of the object state
- ▶ Very useful because it's called automatically:
 - During string concatenation
 - For printing
 - In the debugger
- ▶ *getClass().getName()* comes in handy here...

Overriding *equals*(Object o)

- ▶ Should return true when comparing two objects of same type with same “meaning”
- ▶ How?
 - Must check types—use *instanceof*
 - Must compare state—use **cast**
- ▶ Example...

Polymorphism

»» Review and Practice

Polymorphism and Subclasses

- ▶ A subclass instance is a superclass instance
 - Polymorphism still works!
 - *BankAccount ba = new SavingsAccount();
ba.deposit(100);*
- ▶ But not the other way around!
 - *SavingsAccount sa = new BankAccount();
sa.addInterest();*
- ▶ Why not?



BOOM!

Another Example

- ▶ Can use:

- *public void transfer(double amt, BankAccount o){
 this.withdraw(amount);
 o.deposit(amount);
}*

in BankAccount

- ▶ To transfer between different accounts:

- *SavingsAccount sa = ...;*
 - *CheckingAccount ca = ...;*
 - *sa.transfer(100, ca);*

Summary

- ▶ If B extends or implements A, we can write

`A x = new B();`

Declared type tells which methods x can access.
Compile-time error if try to use method not in A.

The actual type tells which class' version of the method to use.

- ▶ Can cast to recover methods from B:

`((B)x).foo()`

Now we can access all of B's methods too.

If x isn't an instance of B, it gives a run-time error (class cast exception)

Q5-7, hand in when done, then start reading BallWorlds spec

BallWorlds

- » • Meet your partner
- Carefully read the requirements and provided code
- Ask questions (instructor and TAs).

BallWorlds Teams – Section 1

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BallWorlds Worktime

»» Pulsar, Mover, etc.