

CSSE 220 Day 20

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

Check out *Inheritance2* from SVN

Questions?

Exam 2 is on Tuesday, May 1, 2012 (7 – 9 PM)

Section 1: Olin 231

Section 2: Olin 233

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, April 30, 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.

Inheritance Review

»» A quick recap of last session

Inheritance

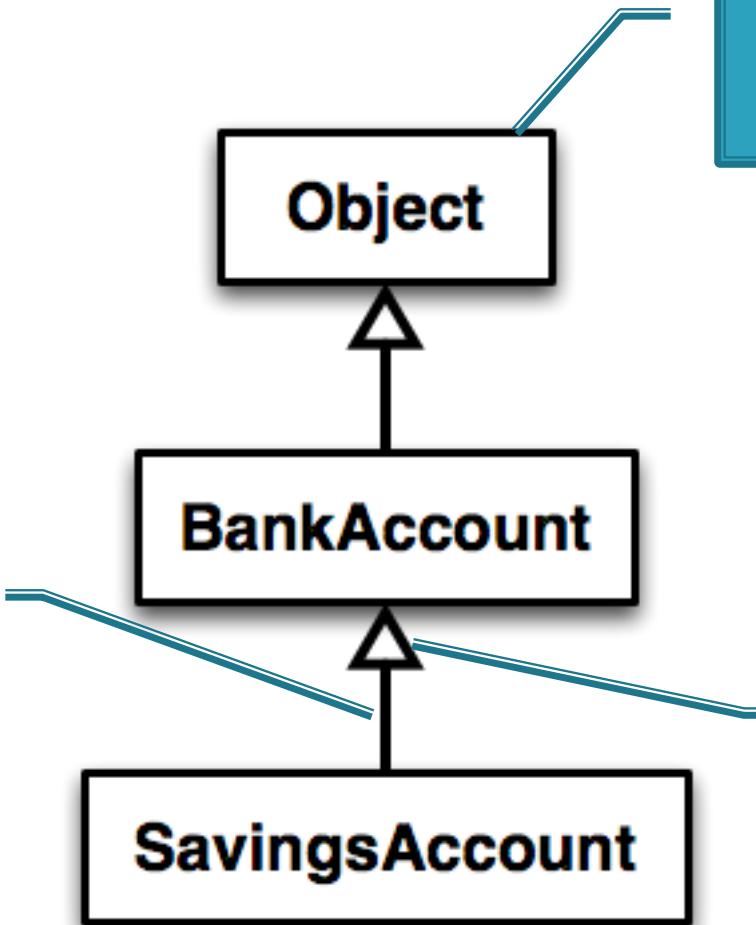
- ▶ Sometimes a new class is a **special case** of the concept represented by another
- ▶ Can “borrow” from an existing class, changing just what we need
- ▶ The new class **inherits** from the existing one:
 - all methods
 - all instance fields



Notation and Terminology

- ▶ `class SavingsAccount extends BankAccount {
 // added fields
 // added methods
}`
- ▶ Say “*SavingsAccount* **is a** *BankAccount*”
- ▶ **Superclass:** *BankAccount*
- ▶ **Subclass:** *SavingsAccount*

Inheritance in UML



The “superest” class in Java

Solid line shows inheritance

Still means “is a”

With Methods, Subclasses can:

- ▶ Inherit methods unchanged
- ▶ Override methods
 - Declare a new method with same signature to use instead of superclass method
- ▶ Add entirely new methods not in superclass

With Fields, Subclasses:

- ▶ **ALWAYS inherit** all fields **unchanged**
- ▶ **Can add** entirely new fields not in superclass



DANGER! Don't use
the same name as a
superclass field!

Super Calls

- ▶ Calling superclass **method**:
 - *super.methodName(args);*
- ▶ Calling superclass **constructor**:
 - *super(args);*



Must be the first
line of the subclass
constructor

Access Modifiers

- ▶ ***public***—any code can see it
- ▶ ***private***—only the class itself can see it
- ▶ **default** (i.e., no modifier)—only code in the same **package** can see it
- ▶ ***protected***—like default, but subclasses also have access

I, 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)`

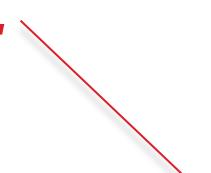
- ▶ Should return true when comparing two objects of same type with same “meaning”
- ▶ How?
 - Must check types—use `instanceof`
 - Must compare state—use `cast`
- ▶ Example...

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)

BallWorlds

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

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BallWorlds Worktime

» Pulsar, Mover, etc.

You can turn BallWorlds in on Monday before noon for full credit. If you miss that deadline, you may turn it in by Tuesday at 11:59 p.m. for 90% credit.