Comp 401 - Assignment 6: Basic Inheritance and Completing the Bridge Scene

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You will be adding new properties and public methods to the scene. The properties will introduce the bridge, gorge and two standing areas we saw in my demo. The methods will manipulate the avatars in the scene – the guard and the knights. Each of them will determine which avatar to operate on and then invoke a method on the avatar or one of its components. Thus, you will get much more practice with composition.

In addition, you will refactor your token classes to use inheritance.

If you have not done so, you may want to also look at my demos at the start of class for what a scene could look like and where we are going:

Bridge Scene - 1st day (long)
Bridge Scene - 2nd day (short)

Gorge with Bridge in the Scene
Add to the scene of your previous assignment a gorge with a bridge. The previous assignment gave you enough experience with object composition, so it is up to you how you add them to your scene. The simplest approach is to create two parallel lines to simulate a gorge, and a rectangle connected to the two lines to simulate a bridge. You are free to give 3-D effects as I
have tried to do, or create images for the gorge and/or bridge. For this part, you can add one or more atomic or composite shape properties to your previous scene.

**Standing Area Shapes in the Scene**

Now add to the scene two additional shape properties defining the areas in which the guard and a knight communicate with each other. The simplest approach is to make each of these areas a circle, as I have done. You are free to create more sophisticated objects. There is one standing area for all knights, and a separate one for the guard. The two areas should be on the left side of the bridge and gorge.

**Initialization**

Write code that is in or called from your constructor(s) that places (a) the knights on the left side of the gorge, with no knight in a standing area, and (b) the guard in the guard standing area. An avatar is in a standing area if at least some part of the avatar is in the area. Ideally, both legs of the avatar should be in the standing area, but you may use some image that does not allow that to happen in an aesthetic way.

**Approach Scene Method**

Implement a public method that takes as an argument an avatar shape and moves the avatar to the knight standing area. When a knight approaches, the knight standing area becomes occupied. We do not want two knights to approach simultaneously – so this method should do nothing if the knight area is already occupied.

Tag this method as: “aApproach”

**Occupied Boolean Property**

To help you organize and debug your code, create a Boolean property that is true if the knight standing area is occupied. The value of this property depends on whether a knight has approached and if an approached knight has passed or failed.

**Say Scene Method**

This public method takes a String as an argument. If the knight standing area is not occupied, it does nothing. If the area is occupied, then this method allows the guard and knight to alternate in speaking, with the guard starting the conversation. Thus, the first time it is called after a new knight approaches, it makes the guard say the string; the second time it is called, it makes the knight say something, and so on. It is up to you if you want to allow at most three questions to be asked. Of course, an avatar says a string by setting the text property of its string shape to the string.
Knight Turn Boolean Property

Again, to help you organize and debug your code, create a Boolean read only property that is true if the knight standing area is occupied and it is the knight’s turn to speak, otherwise it is false.

Passed Scene Method

If the knight standing area is occupied this method moves the approached knight to some point on the right side of the gorge, beyond the bridge. The method takes no parameters. A knight can be passed only if it is the guard’s turn to speak. Again, it is up to you if you want at most three questions. When a knight passed, the standing area becomes unoccupied.

Tag this method as: “Passed”

Failed Scene Public

This method puts either the knight or the guard to some point “in the gorge.” If the knight standing area is occupied and it is the (a) guard’s turn to speak, then the knight fails and falls in gorge (b) knight’s turn to speak, then the guard falls. When an avatar falls, it is neither on the left or right side of the bridge/gorge. Again, the method takes no parameters, and it is up to you if you want at most three questions. When a knight fails, the standing area becomes unoccupied.

Tag this method as: “Failed”

Refactoring Token Code

Refactoring of code is re-implementation of the code without changing its functionality. Refactor your token classes and interfaces to follow the inheritance rules given below.

1. remove code repetition in both classes and interfaces through inheritance,
2. make each class implement a single interface, which can be an extension of multiple interfaces. Next Tuesday I plan to show you exactly how this is done. Each class can of course implement a different interface – the idea here is to replace all interfaces implemented by a class by a single interface, which can be a new interface that extends all of the previous multiple interfaces.

To follow these rules together with ObjectEditor naming conventions, you may have to define empty classes and/or interfaces. This is not bad style. In future assignments, you will have to follow these rules for all classes and interfaces.

Approach Command

Create a command token class for the following command: “approach”. (I forgot about it in assignment 4). Modify your scanner to recognize this command and add it to the tokens property. Again the tag for this should be “approach.”.
Extra Credit

1. Rotate or give other effects to an avatar as it falls into the gorge.
2. Animate the movement of a passed avatar as it crosses the bridge.
3. Allow the whole scene to be scrolled left, right, up, and down.
4. Give 3-D effects to the bridge and/or gorge.

For 1 and 2, define an init method in the scene that takes an OEFrame as an argument. This is like a setter except that it is expected to be called only once, to initialize the OEFrame, and does not have an associated getter. Do not pass the frame as an argument to passed and failed. Later you will be removing this method, when we learn better ways to refresh.

Animating Demoing Main Class

1. To demonstrate your work, write a main class that instantiates the bridge scene, displays it in an ObjectEditor window, and shows each of the scene methods you have implemented working. If you animate the movement of a failed or passed knight, the animations will only be visible if you call the animation code from the main program. In general, the screen will freeze if you call animating code from ObjectEditor. We will see the reason for this later, as well as a solution to this problem. When you display the scene, make sure the two Boolean properties are displayed – either in the tree view or the main panel.
2. In addition, your main class should redo the scanner animation from assignment 4 to show that your code still works after inheritance. This time, it should also create an instance of the approach command class.

Constraints

1. No new style constraints are the inheritance constraints placed on the token types. Be sure to tag your new methods, add them to the scene interface, and put the new property names in the appropriate annotations.

2. I taught you System.exit() for error checking. We have an automatic grader that runs all of your main methods in one Java process. So if any of your main methods exits, this process stops. So, in this and future assignments, please do not use System.exit(), even when you have errors. Also when you use System.exit() after the animation, we sometimes do not get enough time to observe your screen.

3. In this and later assignments, please make sure you make your main classes public - otherwise the grader cannot access them.

4. Make sure your image files are included with the submission – they should be in the project directory.

5. Make sure your project is self contained and does not reference other projects such as recitation and previous assignment submissions.
6. When the TAs are grading, there are two user-interfaces, one created by your program and the other is a grader control panel to navigate among your projects and manually fill in data and press buttons. Often your UI covers the grader UI, making it difficult for the TAs. Try and create as small a window as is necessary to demo and position it on upper left corner. Also if you do not need to show the main or tree panel (in assignment 6 you do need to show one of these), hide them. The user-interface notes tell you how to do this, but below is a recap of some of the relevant calls (from memory, I might misspell a few things). In addition, any textual or graphical property you do not want displayed in the main/drawing panel can be hidden by saying @Visible(false) before its getter.

```java
OEFrame editor = ObjectEditor.edit(objecty);
editor.setLocation(0, 0);
editor.setSize(400, 600);
editor.hideMainPanel();
editor.showTreePanel();
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**Submission Instructions**

- These are the same as in the previous assignment. The TAs will run the main method to see the test cases animate.
- Be sure to follow the conventions for the name and package of the main class.

Good luck!