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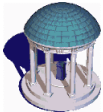
Lecture 22: Object-Oriented Programming

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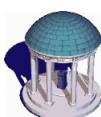


Fundamental Concepts in OOP

- **Encapsulation**
 - Data Abstraction
 - Information hiding
 - The notion of class and object
- **Inheritance**
 - Code reusability
 - Is-a vs. has-a relationships
- **Polymorphism**
 - Dynamic method binding

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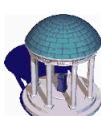
Encapsulation

- **Data abstraction** allow programmers to hide data representation details behind a (comparatively) simple set of operations (an *interface*)
- What the benefits of data abstraction?
 - Reduces *conceptual load*
 - » Programmers need to know less about the rest of the program
 - Provides *fault containment*
 - » Bugs are located in independent components
 - Provides a significant degree of *independence* of program components
 - » Separate the roles of different programmer

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Encapsulation Classes, Objects and Methods

- The unit of encapsulation in an O-O PL is a **class**
 - An abstract data type
 - » The set of values is the set of *objects* (or *instances*)
- Objects can have a
 - Set of *instance attributes* (*has-a relationship*)
 - Set of *instance methods*
- Classes can have a
 - Set of *class attributes*
 - Set of *class methods*
- The entire set of methods of an object is known as the *message protocol* or the *message interface* of the object

**Method calls are
known as messages**

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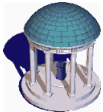


Inheritance

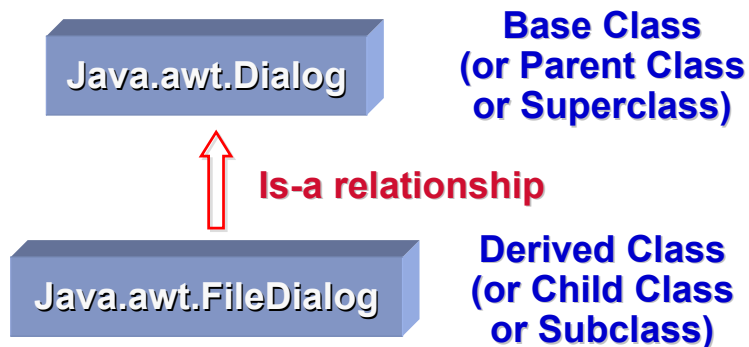
- Encapsulation improves code reusability
 - Abstract Data Types
 - Modules
 - Classes
- However, it is generally the case that the code a programmer wants to reuse is close but not exactly what the programmer needs
- **Inheritance** provides a mechanism to extend or refine units of encapsulation
 - By adding or *overriding* methods
 - By adding attributes

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Inheritance Notation



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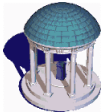


Polymorphism

- The is-a relationship supports the development of generic operations that can be applied to objects of a class and all its subclasses
 - This feature is known as *polymorphism*
 - E.g. `paint()` method
- The binding of messages to method definition is instance-dependent, and it is known as dynamic binding
 - It has to be resolved at run-time
 - Dynamic binding requires the `virtual` keyword in C++
 - Static binding requires the `final` keyword in Java

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Encapsulation Modules and Classes

- The basic unit of OO, the class, is a *unit of scope*
 - This idea originated in module-based languages in the mid-70s
 - » E.g. Clu, Modula, Euclid
- Rules of scope enforce data hiding
 - Names have to be *exported* in order to be accessible by other modules
 - What kind of data hiding mechanisms we have in Java?
 - » <http://java.sun.com/docs/books/tutorial/java/javaOO/accesscontrol.html>
 - And in Python?
 - » <http://www.python.org/doc/current/tut/node11.html#SECTION00116000000000000000>

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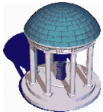


Classes and Encapsulation Two Views

- *Module-as-type*
 - A module is an abstract data type
 - Standardized constructor and destructor syntax
 - Object-oriented design is applied everywhere
 - E.g. Java, Smalltalk, Eiffel, C++, Python
- *Module-as-manager*
 - A module exports an abstract data type
 - Create and destroy operations
 - Object-oriented design is optional (OO as an extension)
 - E.g. Ada 95, Modula-3, Oberon, CLOS, Perl

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Ada 95

```
package gp_list is
  list_err : exception;
  type gp_list_node is tagged private;
  -- 'tagged' means extendible; 'private' means opaque
  type gp_list_node_ptr is access all gp_list_node;
  -- 'all' means that this can point at 'aliased' non-heap data
  procedure initialize (self : access gp_list_node);
  procedure finalize (self : access gp_list_node);
  function predecessor (self : access gp_list_node) return gp_list_node_ptr;
  function successor (self : access gp_list_node) return gp_list_node_ptr;
  function singleton (self : access gp_list_node) return boolean;
  procedure insert_before (self : access gp_list_node; new_node : gp_list_node_ptr);
  procedure remove (self : access gp_list_node);
```

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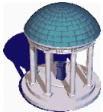


Ada 95

```
type list is tagged private;
type list_ptr is access all list;
procedure initialize (self : access list);
procedure finalize (self : access list);
function empty (self : access list) return boolean;
function head (self : access list) return gp_list_node_ptr;
procedure append (self : access list; new_node : gp_list_node_ptr);
private
  type gp_list_node is tagged record
    prev, next, head_node : gp_list_node_ptr;
  end record;
  type list is tagged record
    header : aliased gp_list_node;
    -- 'aliased' means that an 'all' pointer can refer to this
  end record;
end gp_list;
```

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Ada 95

```
package body gp_list is
  -- definitions of subroutines
  ...
end gp_list;
...
package gp_list.queue is -- 'child' of gp_list
  type queue is new list with private
    -- 'new' means it's a subtype; 'with' means it's an extension
  procedure initialize (self : access queue);
  procedure finalize (self : access queue);
  procedure enqueue (self : access queue; new_node : gp_list_node_ptr);
  function dequeue (self : access queue) return gp_list_node_ptr;
private
  type queue is new list with null record;
  -- no new data members
end gp_list.queue;
```

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Reading Assignment

- Scott
 - Read Ch. 10 intro
 - Read Sect. 10.1
 - » Study the list and queue examples
 - Read Sect. 10.2
 - » Go through the documents linked in slide 8