

# Principles of Software Construction: Objects, Design, and Concurrency

## Inheritance and delegation

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No quiz today; a lot to cover!

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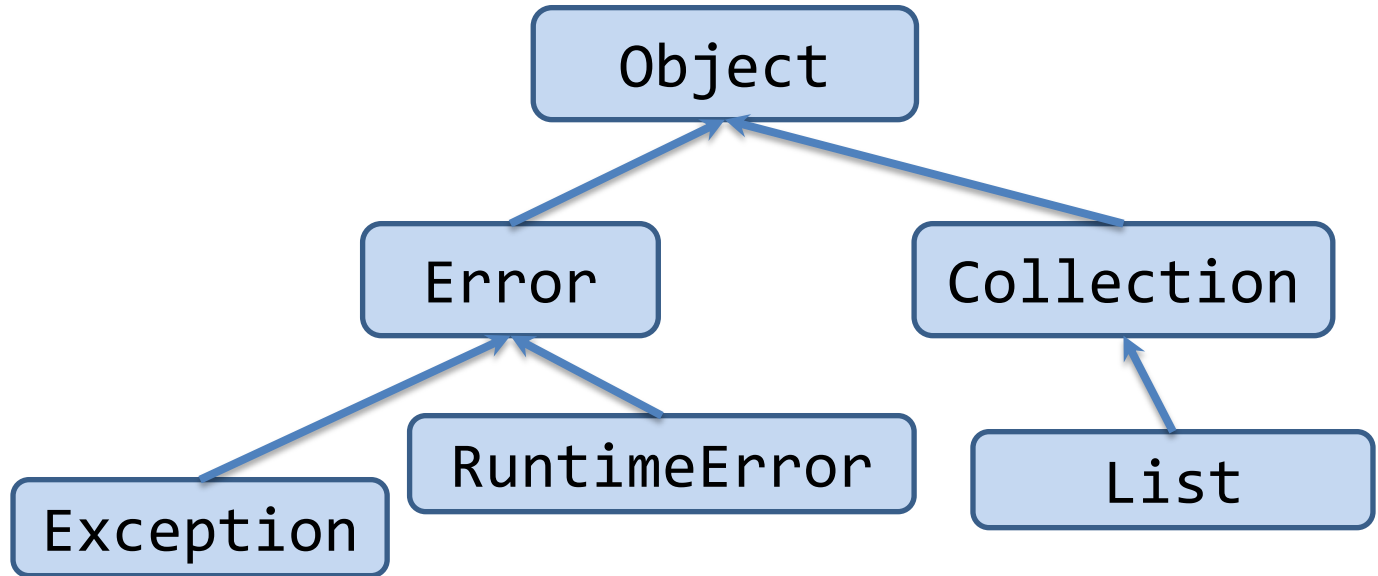
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# Learning goals

- Understand the role of class hierarchies in object-oriented languages.
- Define inheritance and understand some of the conditions under which it is appropriate/inappropriate to use in system design.
- Identify behavioral subtyping and use it to make good decisions about whether a class should extend another class.
- Achieve reuse via composition and delegation instead of inheritance.
- Contrast inheritance and composition and delegation in terms of benefits/drawbacks.
- If we get to it: describe the template method pattern and the situations in which it is useful, contrast with the strategy pattern.

# All object types exist in a *class hierarchy*

In Java:



# Class hierarchy basic terminology

A class hierarchy is a tree

- Parent/child relation is called: superclass/subclass
- A class **extends** its superclass
- The root is “Object” -- if a class extends nothing explicitly, it extends Object implicitly

Primitive types are *not* in the class hierarchy

Discussion question: What does/should it mean to “extend” a class?

# Inheritance enables Extension & Reuse

```
class Animal {  
    final String name;  
  
    public Animal(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
  
    public String identify() {  
        return this.name;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal {  
    public Dog() {  
        super("dog");  
    }  
}
```

```
Animal animal = new Dog();  
animal.identify(); // "dog"
```

Declared Type

Compile-time  
Check (Java)

Instantiated Type

# Is this Allowed?

```
class Animal {  
    final String name;  
  
    public Animal(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
  
    public String identify() {  
        return this.name;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal {  
    public Dog() {  
        super("dog");  
    }  
  
    public String bark() {  
        return "Woof!";  
    }  
}
```

```
Dog dog = new Dog();  
dog.bark();    // ??
```

```
Animal animal = new Dog();  
animal.bark(); // ??
```



# Is this Allowed?

```
class Animal {  
    final String name;  
  
    public Animal(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
  
    public String identify() {  
        return this.name;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal {  
    public Dog() {  
        super("dog");  
    }  
  
    public String bark() {  
        return "Woof!";  
    }  
}
```

```
Dog dog = new Dog();  
dog.bark();    // "Woof"
```

```
Animal animal = new Dog();  
animal.bark(); // No such method
```

# Is this Allowed?

```
class Animal {  
    final String name;  
  
    public Animal(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
  
    public String identify() {  
        return this.name;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal {  
    public Dog() {  
        super("dog");  
    }  
  
    public Animal identify() {  
        return this;  
    }  
}  
  
Animal animal = new Dog();  
animal.identify(); // ??
```

# Is this Allowed?

```
class Animal {  
    final String name;  
  
    public Animal(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
  
    public String identify() {  
        return this.name;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal {  
    public Dog() {  
        super("dog");  
    }  
  
    public Animal identify() {  
        return this;  
    }  
}
```

```
Animal animal = new Dog();  
animal.identify(); // compile time error!*
```

\*This error is already raised when *declaring* the highlighted method.

# Is this Allowed?

```
class Animal {  
    final String name;  
  
    public Animal(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
  
    public Animal identify() {  
        return this;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal {  
    public Dog() {  
        super("dog");  
    }  
  
    public Animal identify() {  
        return this;  
    }  
}  
  
Animal animal = new Dog();  
animal.identify(); // This is fine!
```

“Can I inherit from this type?”

Yes\*

\*unless it's a class that is declared **final**

“Should I inherit from this type?”

...that's a different/design question.

# “Should I inherit from this type?”

*Behavioral Subtyping* gives a more formal principle behind when extension should be considered.

Subclasses should satisfy the expectations of clients accessing subclass objects through references of superclass type, both syntactically and behaviorally.

- Subtypes inherit attributes, *behavior* from their parents
- Subtypes can add new *behavior*, properties

Behavioral Subtyping gives a more formal principle behind when extension should be considered.

```
Animal dog = new Dog();
```

Roughly:

- anything an Animal does, a Dog should do
- You should be able to use a subtype as if it was its parent
- But, dog may be more specific

The **Liskov substitution principle** is one more specific definition:

“Let  $q(x)$  be a property provable about objects  $x$  of type  $T$ . Then  $q(y)$  should be provable for objects  $y$  of type  $S$  where  $S$  is a subtype of  $T$ .”

Barbara Liskov



# Is this behavioral subtyping?

```
class Animal {  
  
    final String name;  
  
    public Animal(String name) {  
        this.name = name;  
    }  
  
    public Animal me() {  
        return this;  
    }  
}  
  
class Dog extends Animal {  
  
    public Dog() {  
        super("dog");  
    }  
  
    public Dog me() {  
        return this;  
    }  
}
```

# Specifications/Invariants and Behavioral Subtyping.

*Class invariants* describe properties about an object's state/fields that should always hold before/after execution of public methods.

- Established by the constructor
- May be invalidated temporarily during method execution

There exists language extensions that allow you to annotated e.g., Java classes with invariants/specifications and will even check that they are maintained!

- We don't make you use them in this class.

Given that:

- Subtypes cannot have more restrictive (stronger) pre-conditions
  - That would prevent using the subclass as the parent-class
- But they can have stronger invariants and post-conditions!
  - And not just in terms of return type.

More concisely, subclasses should have:

Same or *stronger* **invariants** than super class

Same or *weaker* **preconditions** for all methods in super class

Same or *stronger* **postconditions** for all methods in super class

# Is Square a behavioral subtype of Rectangle?

```
class Rectangle {  
  
    int width;  
    int height;  
  
    public Rectangle(int width,  
                    int height) {  
        this.width = width;  
        this.height = height;  
    }  
    public void scale(int factor) {  
        width=width*factor;  
        height=height*factor;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Square extends Rectangle {  
  
    public Square(int width) {  
        super(width, width);  
    }  
}
```

# How can we tell?

```
class Rectangle {
    //@ invariant height>0 && width>0;
    int width;
    int height;

    public Rectangle(int width,
                     int height) {
        this.width = width;
        this.height = height;
    }
    //@ requires factor > 0;
    public void scale(int factor) {
        width=width*factor;
        height=height*factor;
    }
}
```

```
public class Square extends Rectangle {
    //@ invariant height>0 && width>0;
    //@ invariant height==width;
    public Square(int width) {
        super(width, width);
    }
}
```

# Is this behavioral subtyping?

```
class Rectangle {  
  
    int width;  
    int height;  
  
    public Rectangle(int width,  
                     int height) {  
        this.width = width;  
        this.height = height;  
    }  
  
    // Sets just the width.  
    public void setWidth(int w) {  
        this.width = w;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Square extends Rectangle {  
  
    public Square(int width) {  
        super(width, width);  
    }  
}
```

It's technically fine, because we removed the invariants, but the Square isn't a square anymore :-)

# Is this better?

```
class Rectangle {  
  
    int width;  
    int height;  
  
    public Rectangle(int width,  
                     int height) {  
        this.width = width;  
        this.height = height;  
    }  
  
    //@ requires w > 0;  
    //@ ensures width==neww && height==old.height;  
    public void setWidth(int w) {  
        this.width = w;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Square extends Rectangle {  
  
    public Square(int width) {  
        super(width, width);  
    }  
  
    //@ requires w > 0;  
    //@ ensures width==w && height==w;  
    public void setWidth(int w) {  
        this.width = w;  
        this.height = w;  
    }  
}
```

Squares are square again, but they aren't behavioral subtypes of rectangles. :-)

# Language enforcement of behavioral subtyping

The compiler won't always check this for you, clearly.

That said, there is some auto enforcement here, e.g., compiler enforced Java rules:

- Subtypes can add, but not remove methods
- Concrete class must implement all undefined methods
- Overriding method must return same type or subtype
- Overriding method must accept the same parameter types
- Overriding method may not throw additional exceptions

There are others language ways to enforce/restrict extension that we'll see moving forward (like `abstract` classes, can't be instantiated; `final` methods, can't be overridden (doesn't exist in TS)).



# JS/TS has Classes

Since ES2016

```
class Square {  
  width: number;  
  
  constructor(width: number) {  
    this.width = width;  
  }  
  
  printWidth() {  
    console.log(this.width);  
  }  
}
```

```
let s1 = new Square(1);  
let s2 = new Square(2);  
s1.printWidth(); // 1  
s2.printWidth(); // 2
```

# Inheritance in JS/TS

```
class Animal {
```

```
  private name: string;
```

```
  constructor(name: string) {
```

```
    this.name = name;
```

```
  }
```

```
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal {
```

```
  constructor() {
```

```
    super("dog");
```

```
  }
```

```
}
```

```
let dog = new Dog();
```

```
console.log(dog) // Dog { name: 'dog' }
```

# TS has some language enforcement too...

```
class Number {  
    value: number;  
  
    constructor(value: number) {  
        this.value = value;  
    }  
}  
  
class LongerNumber extends Number {  
  
    constructor(value: BigInt) {  
        super(value);  
    }  
}
```

# Inheritance vs. Subtyping

Inheritance is for polymorphism and code reuse

- Write code once and only once
- Superclass features implicitly available in subclass

```
class A extends B
```

Subtyping is for polymorphism

- Accessing objects the same way, but getting different behavior
- Subtype is substitutable for supertype

```
class A implements B  
class A extends B
```

# So why inheritance?

- We already have interfaces; why not:

```
interface Rectangle {
    getWidth(): number;
    getHeight(): number;
}

class Square implements Rectangle {
    width: number;
    constructor(width: number) {
        this.width = width;
    }
    getWidth(): number {
        return this.width * this.width;
    }
    getHeight(): number { return getWidth(); }
}
```

```
public interface PaymentCard {  
    String getCardHolderName();  
    BigInteger getDigits();  
    Date getExpiration();  
    int getValue();  
    boolean pay(int amount);  
}
```

```
public interface PaymentCard {
    String getCardHolderName();
    BigInteger getDigits();
    Date getExpiration();
    int getValue();
    boolean pay(int amount);
}
```

```
class DebitCard implements PaymentCard {
    private final String cardHolderName;
    private final BigInteger digits;
    private final Date expirationDate;
    private int debit;

    public DebitCard(String cardHolderName,
        BigInteger digits, Date expirationDate,
        int debit) {
        this.cardHolderName = cardHolderName;
        this.digits = digits;
        this.expirationDate = expirationDate;
        this.debit = debit;
    }
}
```

```
// . . . continued . . .
```

```
@Override
public String getCardHolderName() {
    return this.cardHolderName;
}
```

```
@Override
public BigInteger getDigits() {
    return this.digits;
}
```

```
@Override
public Date getExpiration() {
    return this.expirationDate;
}
```

```
public interface PaymentCard {
    String getCardHolderName();
    BigInteger getDigits();
    Date getExpiration();
    int getValue();
    boolean pay(int amount);
}

class CreditCard implements PaymentCard {
    private final String cardHolderName;
    private final BigInteger digits;
    private final Date expirationDate;
    private final int creditLimit;
    private int currentCredit;

    public CreditCard(String cardHolderName,
        BigInteger digits, Date expirationDate,
        int creditLimit, int credit) {
        this.cardHolderName = cardHolderName;
        this.digits = digits;
    }
    // . . . continued . . .
```

```
// . . . continued . . .
        this.expirationDate = expirationDate;
        this.creditLimit = creditLimit;
        this.currentCredit = credit;
    }
}
```

```
@Override
public String getCardHolderName() {
    return this.cardHolderName;
}
}
```

```
@Override
public BigInteger getDigits() {
    return this.digits;
}
}
```

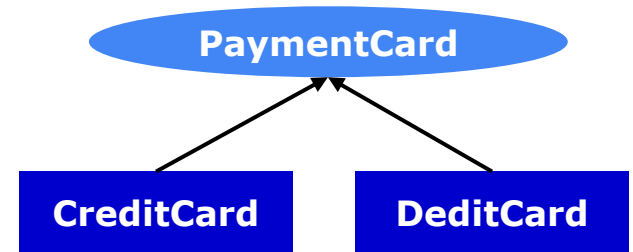
```
@Override
public Date getExpiration() {
    return this.expirationDate;
}
}
```



# Design option 1

```
public interface PaymentCard {  
    String getCardHolderName();  
    BigInteger getDigits();  
    Date getExpiration();  
    int getValue();  
    boolean pay(int amount);  
}
```

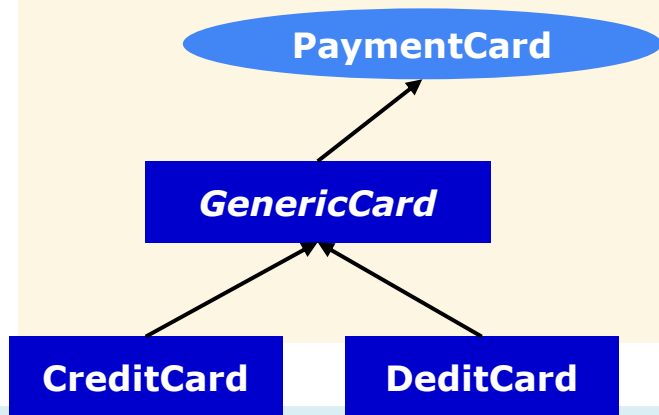
**Lots of duplicated code:  
many common fields and  
methods that need to be  
implemented twice**



```
class CreditCard implements PaymentCard {  
    ...  
}  
class DeditCard implements PaymentCard {  
    ...  
}
```

# Inheritance Facilitates Reuse!

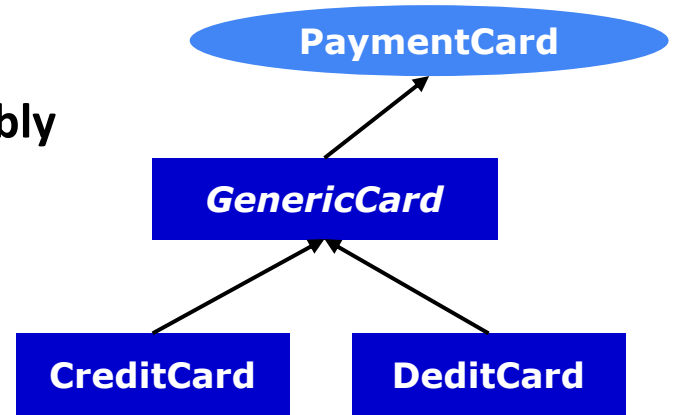
```
public interface PaymentCard {  
    String getCardHolderName();  
    BigInteger getDigits();  
    Date getExpiration();  
    int getValue();  
    boolean pay(int amount);  
}
```



```
class GenericCard implements PaymentCard {  
    private final String cardHolderName;  
    private final BigInteger digits;  
    private final Date expirationDate;  
  
    public GenericCard(String cardHolderName,  
        BigInteger digits, Date expirationDate) {  
        this.cardHolderName = cardHolderName;  
        this.digits = digits;  
        this.expirationDate = expirationDate;  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public String getCardHolderName() {  
        return this.cardHolderName;  
    }  
}
```

# Design option 2

Much more reuse;  
inheritance is probably  
a good choice here.  
But not always!



```
abstract class GenericCard
    implements PaymentCard {
    ...
    public String getCardHolderName() {
        return this.cardHolderName;
    }
    public BigInteger getDigits() {
        return this.digits;
    }
    public Date getExpiration() {
        return this.expirationDate;
    }
    abstract boolean pay(int amount);
}
```

```
class CreditCard extends GenericCard {
    @Override
    public boolean pay(int amount) {
        ...
    }
}
class DebitCard extends AbstractGenericCard {
    @Override
    public boolean pay(int amount) {
        ...
    }
}
```

# Alternative to inheritance: *composition + delegation.*

- When classes relate closely, it can be nice to share functionality via inheritance.
- However, inheritance is not the only way!

Alternative: *composition + delegation*

# Recall our intro lecture sorting example:

Version A:

```
static void sort(int[] list, boolean ascending) {  
    ...  
    boolean mustSwap;  
    if (ascending) {  
        mustSwap = list[i] > list[j];  
    } else {  
        mustSwap = list[i] < list[j];  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

Version B':

```
interface Order {  
    boolean lessThan(int i, int j);  
}  
class AscendingOrder implements Order {  
    public boolean lessThan(int i, int j) { return i < j; }  
}  
class DescendingOrder implements Order {  
    public boolean lessThan(int i, int j) { return i > j; }  
}  
  
static void sort(int[] list, Order order) {  
    ...  
    boolean mustSwap =  
        order.lessThan(list[j], list[i]);  
    ...  
}
```

# Delegation

*Delegation* is simply when one object relies on another object for some subset of its functionality

- e.g. here, the sorter is delegating functionality to some Order

Judicious delegation enables code reuse!

- The sorter can be reused with arbitrary sort orders
- Order objects can be reused with arbitrary client code that needs to compare ints

```
interface Order {
    boolean lessThan(int i, int j);
}
class AscendingOrder implements Order {
    public boolean lessThan(int i, int j) { return i < j; }
}
class DescendingOrder implements Order {
    public boolean lessThan(int i, int j) { return i > j; }
}
...
static void sort(int[] list, Order order) {
    ...
    boolean mustSwap =
        order.lessThan(list[j], list[i]);
    ...
}
```

# Using delegation to extend functionality

Consider the `java.util.List` (excerpted):

```
public interface List<E> {  
    public boolean add(E e);  
    public E      remove(int index);  
    public void   clear();  
    ...  
}
```

Now suppose we want a list that logs its operations to the console ...

# Using delegation to extend functionality

One solution:

```
public class LoggingList<E> implements List<E> {
    private final List<E> list;
    public LoggingList<E>(List<E> list) { this.list = list; }
    public boolean add(E e) {
        System.out.println("Adding " + e);
        return list.add(e);
    }
    public E remove(int index) {
        System.out.println("Removing at " + index);
        return list.remove(index);
    }
    ...
}
```

The `LoggingList` is composed of a `List`, and delegates (the non logging) functionality to that `List`



# Payment card with delegation.

```
public interface PaymentCard {  
    CardData getCardData();  
    int getValue();  
    boolean pay(int amount);  
}
```

# Payment card with delegation.

```
public interface PaymentCard {
    CardData getCardData();
    int getValue();
    boolean pay(int amount);
}

class CardData {
    private final String cardHolderName;
    private final BigInteger digits;
    private final Date expirationDate;

    public CardData(String cardHolderName,
        BigInteger digits, Date expirationDate) {
        this.cardHolderName = cardHolderName;
        this.digits = digits;
        this.expirationDate = expirationDate;
    }
}

@Override
public String getCardHolderName() {
    return this.cardHolderName;
}

// . . . other getters . . .
}
```

# Payment card with delegation.

```
public interface PaymentCard {
    CardData getCardData();
    int getValue();
    boolean pay(int amount);
}

class CardData {
    private final String cardHolderName;
    private final BigInteger digits;
    private final Date expirationDate;

    public CardData(String cardHolderName,
        BigInteger digits, Date expirationDate) {
        this.cardHolderName = cardHolderName;
        this.digits = digits;
        this.expirationDate = expirationDate;
    }
}
```

```
    @Override
    public String getCardHolderName() {
        return this.cardHolderName;
    }
    // . . . other getters . . .
}

class CreditCard implements PaymentCard {
    private CardData cardData = new(...);
    public BigInteger getDigits() {
        return cardData.getDigits();
    }
    public boolean pay(int amount) {
        ...
    }
}

class DebitCard implements PaymentCard {
    ...
}
```

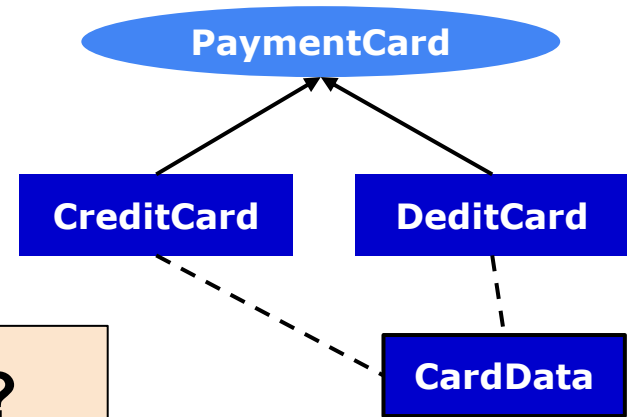
# Design option 3

```
class CardData {  
    private final String cardHolderName;  
    private final BigInteger digits;  
    private final Date expirationDate;  
  
    public CardData(...) {...}  
    public String getCardHolderName() {...}  
    public BigInteger getDigits() {...}  
    public Date getExpiration() {...}  
}
```

**You can still achieve good reuse  
with composition+delegation!**

**Is this better?**

```
class CreditCard implements PaymentCard {  
    private CardData cardData = new(...);  
    public BigInteger getDigits() {  
        return cardData.getDigits();  
    }  
    ...  
}  
  
class DebitCard implements PaymentCard {  
    ...  
}
```



# Inheritance vs. Composition + Delegation

- Inheritance can enable **substantial** reuse when strong coupling is reasonable
  - Sometimes a natural fit for reuse -- look for “is-a” relationships.
  - Does not mean “no delegation”
- That said, good design typically favors composition + delegation
  - Enables reuse, encapsulation by programming against interfaces
  - Delegation supports information hiding; inheritance compromises it
    - Subclass depends on implementation details of superclass
  - Usually results in more *testable* code.
  - Composition facilitates adding multiple behaviors
    - Multiple inheritance exists, but gets messy

# Designing with Inheritance in Mind

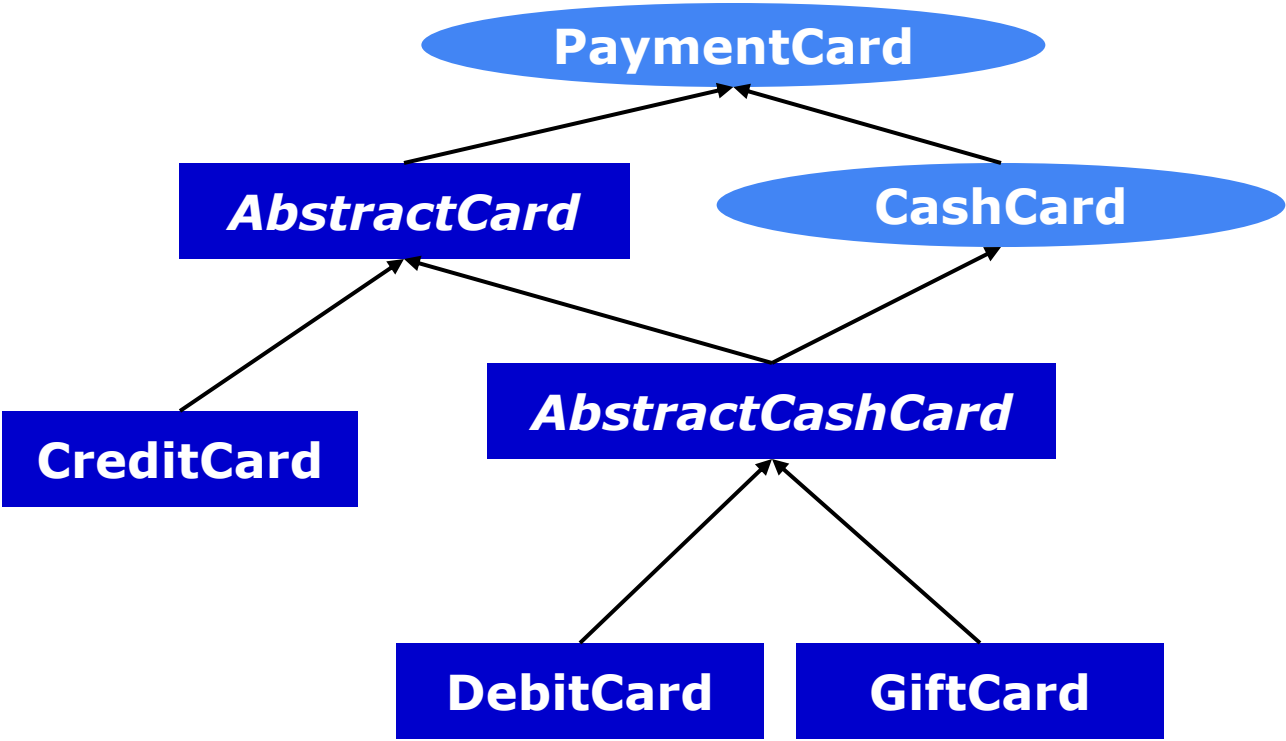
- Try to avoid it when composition+delegation is available
- Document contracts for inheritance
  - The compiler won't enforce all invariants
  - Document requirements for overriding methods
  - Test with subclasses!
- Enforce or prohibit inheritance where possible
  - In Java: `final` & `abstract`

# Interface Inheritance exists (both Java and TS)

```
public interface PaymentCard {
    String getCardHolderName();
    BigInteger getDigits();
    Date getExpiration();
    int getValue();
    boolean pay(int amount);
}

interface CashCard extends PaymentCard {
    boolean pay(int amount);
    int getBalance();
    void addCash(int amount);
}
```

# Payment Card Hierarchy (one example)





# Summary so far

- Inheritance is a powerful tool
  - ...That takes coupling to the extreme
  - And deserves careful consideration, to be used/designed well.
- Subtyping and inheritance are related, but not the same
- Composition & Delegation are often the right tools instead
  - Not mutually exclusive

# Going back to where inheritance is good, actually...

```
class GiftCard implements PaymentCard {
    private int balance;
    public GiftCard(int balance) {
        this.balance = balance;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean pay(int amount) {
        if (amount <= this.balance) {
            this.balance -= amount;
            return true;
        }
        return false;
    }
}
```

# Going back to where inheritance is good, actually...

```
class GiftCard implements PaymentCard {  
    private int balance;  
    public GiftCard(int balance) {  
        this.balance = balance;  
    }  
}
```

```
@Override  
public boolean pay(int amount) {  
    if (amount <= this.balance) {  
        this.balance -= amount;  
        return true;  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```

```
class DebitCard implements PaymentCard {  
    private int balance;  
    private int fee;  
    public DebitCard(int balance,  
                     int transactionFee) {  
        this.balance = balance;  
        this.fee = fee;  
    }  
}
```

```
@Override  
public boolean pay(int amount) {  
    if (amount <= this.balance) {  
        this.balance -= amount;  
        this.balance -= this.fee;  
        return true;  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```

```
public void addCash(int amount) {
```


# Opportunity to reuse even more

```
abstract class AbstractCashCard
    implements PaymentCard {
    private int balance;
    public AbstractCashCard(int balance) {
        this.balance = balance;
    }

    public boolean pay(int amount) {
        if (amount <= this.balance) {
            this.balance -= amount;
            chargeFee();
            return true;
        }
        return false;
    }
    abstract void chargeFee();
}
```

```
class GiftCard extends AbstractCashCard {
    @Override
    void chargeFee() {
        return; // Do nothing.
    }
}
```

**'Pay' is already implemented!**



**Must be implemented**



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```

# This is the Template Method Design Pattern!

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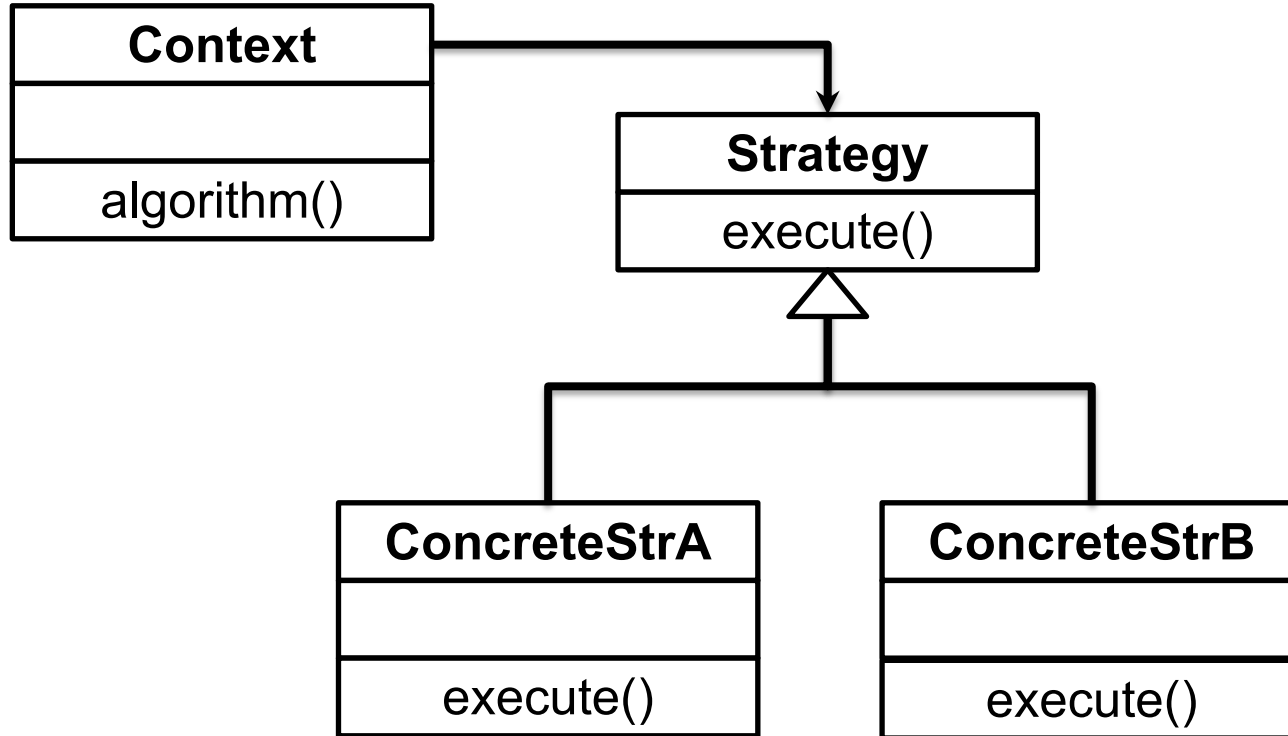
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**Design Tradeoffs?**

# Template Method vs. Strategy Pattern

- Template method uses *inheritance* to vary part of an algorithm
  - Template method implemented in supertype, primitive operations implemented in subtypes
- Strategy pattern uses *delegation* to vary the entire algorithm
  - Strategy objects are reusable across multiple classes
  - Multiple strategy objects are possible per class
  - Where have we seen this?

# Strategy Pattern in UML.





# Supplement 1: Language/Implementation Details

# Dynamic Dispatch

In Java:

- (Compile time) Determine which class to look in
- (Compile time) Determine method signature to be executed
  - Find all accessible, applicable methods
  - Select most specific matching method
- (Run time) Determine dynamic class of the receiver
- (Run time) From dynamic class, determine method to invoke
  - Execute method with the same signature found in step 2 (from dynamic class or one of its supertypes)

# Details: `final`

- A final field: prevents reassignment to the field after initialization
- A final method: prevents overriding the method
- A final class: prevents extending the class
  - e.g., `public final class CheckingAccountImpl { ...`
- Not present in TypeScript
  - Called “sealed” in some languages

# Details: abstract

- An abstract method:
  - must be overridden by a non-abstract subclass
  - can only appear in abstract classes
- An abstract class:
  - may not be instantiated
    - since it may have methods that are abstract, and thus undefined

# Details: super

- Similar to `this`
- Refers to any (recursive) parent
  - Depending on what is accessed
- In TS, must call `super()`; before using 'this'
  - Initializes the class
- In Java, super call needs to be first statement in constructor

# Example: super

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        }
        return false;
    }
}
```

```
class DebitCard extends AbstractCashCard {

    @Override
    public boolean pay(int amount) {
        boolean success = super.pay(amount);
        if (success)
            this.balance -= this.fee;
        return success;
    }
}
```

# Details: type-casting

- Sometimes you want a different type than you have

- e.g.,

```
double pi = 3.14;  
int indianaPi = (int) pi;
```

**In TS:**

```
(dog as Animal).identify()
```

- Useful if you know you have a more specific subtype:

```
Account acct = ...;
```

```
CheckingAccount checkingAcct = (CheckingAccount) acct;
```

```
long fee = checkingAcct.getFee();
```

- Will get a `ClassCastException` if types are incompatible
- Advice: avoid downcasting types
  - Never(?) downcast within superclass to a subclass

# Supplement 2: More behavioral subtype examples



# Is Car a behavioral subtype of Vehicle?

```
abstract class Vehicle {
    int speed, limit;

    //@ invariant speed < limit;

    //@ requires speed != 0;
    //@ ensures speed <
    \old(speed)
    void brake();
}
```

```
class Car extends Vehicle {
    int fuel;
    boolean engineOn;

    //@ invariant speed < limit;
    //@ invariant fuel >= 0;

    //@ requires fuel > 0 &&
    !engineOn;

    //@ ensures engineOn;
    void start() { ... }

    void accelerate() { ... }

    //@ requires speed != 0;
    //@ ensures speed <
    \old(speed)
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```

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    void brake() { ... }
}
```

- **Subclass fulfills the same invariants (and additional ones)**
- **Overridden method `brake` has the same pre and postconditions**

# Is Hybrid a behavioral subtype of Car?

```
class Car extends Vehicle {
    int fuel;
    boolean engineOn;
    //@ invariant fuel >= 0;

    //@ requires fuel > 0 && !engineOn;
    //@ ensures engineOn;
    void start() { ... }

    void accelerate() { ... }

    //@ requires speed != 0;
    //@ ensures speed < old(speed)
    void brake() { ... }
}
```

```
class Hybrid extends Car {
    int charge;
    //@ invariant charge >= 0;

    //@ requires (charge > 0 || fuel > 0)
    &&
    !engineOn;
    //@ ensures engineOn;
    void start() { ... }

    void accelerate() { ... }

    //@ requires speed != 0;
    //@ ensures speed < \old(speed)
    //@ ensures charge > \old(charge)
    void brake() { ... }
}
```

# Hybrid is a behavioral subtype of Car

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    int fuel;
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    //@ invariant fuel >= 0;

    //@ requires fuel > 0 && !engineOn;
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    void accelerate() { ... }

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    //@ ensures speed < old(speed)
    void brake() { ... }
}
```

```
class Hybrid extends Car {
    int charge;
    //@ invariant charge >= 0;

    //@ requires (charge > 0 || fuel > 0)
    &&
    !engineOn;
    //@ ensures engineOn;
    void start() { ... }

    void accelerate() { ... }

    //@ requires speed != 0;
    //@ ensures speed < \old(speed)
    //@ ensures charge > \old(charge)
    void brake() { ... }
}
```

- Subclass fulfills the same invariants (and additional ones)
- Overridden method `start` has weaker precondition
- Overridden method `brake` has stronger postcondition