

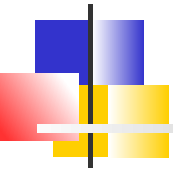
# Software and Programming I

## Classes and Arrays

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# Outline

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- Class **Object**
  - Section 9.5
- Arrays
- Common Array Algorithms
  - Sections 6.1–6.4
- slides are available at  
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# Overloading

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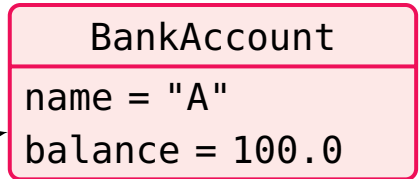
Methods (and constructors) can have the same name  
(provided their signatures (i.e., name and parameter types) are different)

```
1 public class BankAccount {
2     // ...
3     public BankAccount(String name) {
4         this.name = name;
5         this.balance = 0;
6     }
7     public BankAccount(BankAccount a) {
8         this.name = "copy of " + a.name;
9         this.balance = a.balance;
10    }
11 }
```

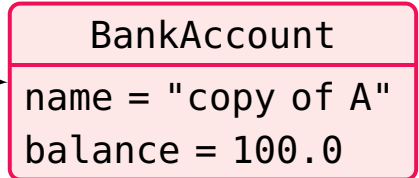
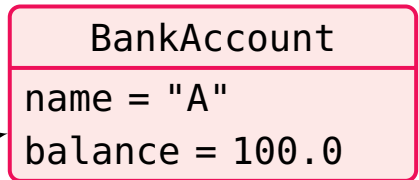


## Overloading (2)

```
1 // constructor 1: BankAccount(String)
2 BankAccount a = new BankAccount("A");
3 a.deposit(100);
```



```
4 // constructor 2: BankAccount(BankAccount)
5 BankAccount b = new BankAccount(a);
```



**NB: compile-time types** of arguments

determine which constructor is called



# Overriding, Inheritance and Polymorphism

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a subclass **inherits** all methods that it does not **override**

a subclass method overrides a public method from a superclass

if both methods have the **same signature**

a subclass can override a superclass method by providing  
a new **implementation**

polymorphism:

- the type of the **reference** determines which **method signatures** we may call  
(checked at compile-time)
- the type of the **actual object** determines which **method implementation** is invoked (at run-time)



# Overriding, Inheritance and Polymorphism: Example (1)

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```
1 public class A {
2     public int f() { return 1; }
3     public int f(int i) { return 5; }
4     public int g() { return 2; }
5 }
6 public class B extends A { // g(), f(int) are inherited
7     public int f() { return 3; } // f() is overridden
8     public int f(String s) { return 6; } // f(String)
9                                     // DOES NOT override f(int)
10    public int h() { return 4; } // h() is new
11 }
1 A a = new A(); // prints 152
2 System.out.println(a.f() + " " + a.f(1) + " " + a.g());
3 // a.h() or a.f("1") is a compile-time error
```



# Overriding, Inheritance and Polymorphism: Example (2)

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```
1 public class A {
2     public int f() { return 1; }
3     public int f(int i) { return 5; }
4     public int g() { return 2; }
5 }
6 public class B extends A { // g(), f(int) are inherited
7     public int f() { return 3; } // f() is overridden
8     public int f(String s) { return 6; } // f(String)
9                                     // DOES not override f(int)
10    public int h() { return 4; } // h() is new
11 }
12 B b = new B(); // prints 35624
13 System.out.println(b.f() + "" + b.f(1) + "" + b.f("1")
14                    + "" + b.g() + "" + b.h());
```



# Overriding, Inheritance and Polymorphism: Example (3)

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```
1 public class A {
2     public int f() { return 1; }
3     public int f(int i) { return 5; }
4     public int g() { return 2; }
5 }
6 public class B extends A { // g(), f(int) are inherited
7     public int f() { return 3; } // f() is overridden
8     public int f(String s) { return 6; } // f(String)
9                                     // DOES not override f(int)
10    public int h() { return 4; } // h() is new
11 }
1 A c = new B(); // c provides A's methods, uses B's code
2 System.out.println(c.f()+""+c.f(1)+""+c.g()); // 352
3 // c.h() or c.f("1") is a compile-time error
```





# The Object Class

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every class declared without the explicit **extends** clause  
automatically extends the class **Object**  
class **Object** has method **String** `toString()`,  
which one can **override**

```
1 public class BankAccount {
2     ...
3     public String toString() {
4         return "account " + name +
5             ", balance = " + balance;
6     }
7 }
```



# Overriding toString()

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```
1 public class CurrentAccount extends BankAccount {
2     ...
3     public String toString() {
4         return "current " + super.toString();
5     }
6 }
7 public class SavingsAccount extends BankAccount {
8     ...
9     public String toString() {
10        return "savings " + super.toString() +
11            ", interest rate = " + interestRate;
12    }
13 }
```



## Using Object.toString()

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the method `toString()` is called, e.g., in `System.out.println`

```
1 public static void printAll(BankAccount[] accounts) {  
2     for (BankAccount a: accounts)  
3         System.out.println(a);  
4 }
```

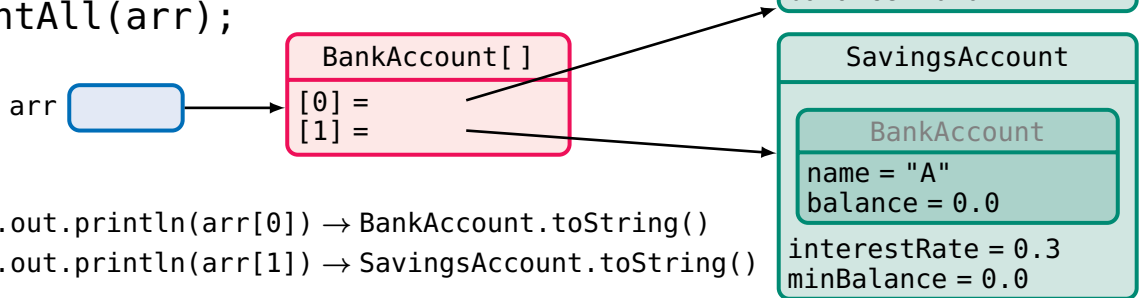
the implementation of method `println(Object obj)`  
invokes `obj.toString()`

which `toString()` implementation is invoked  
depends on the **run-time type** of `obj` (**polymorphism**)



# Polymorphism in Action

```
1 BankAccount[] arr = new BankAccount[2];  
2 arr[0] = new BankAccount("B");  
3 arr[1] = new SavingsAccount("A",0.3);  
4 printAll(arr);
```



```
System.out.println(arr[0]) → BankAccount.toString()
```

```
System.out.println(arr[1]) → SavingsAccount.toString()
```

account B, balance = 0.0

savings account A, balance = 0.0, interest rate = 0.3



# More Methods of Object

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- `boolean equals(Object obj)`  
indicates whether some other object is “equal to”  
this one
- ? would a method `boolean equals(BankAccount obj)`  
in class `BankAccount` be useful?
- `int hashCode()`  
returns a hash code value for the object  
(used in collections)
- `Class getClass()`  
returns the run-time `class` of an object



# Nested Loops

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```
1 for (int r = 8; r >= 1; r--) {  
2     for (char c = 'a'; c <= 'h'; c++) // char is  
3                                         // an integral datatype  
4         System.out.print(" " + c + r + " ");  
5     System.out.println();  
6 }
```

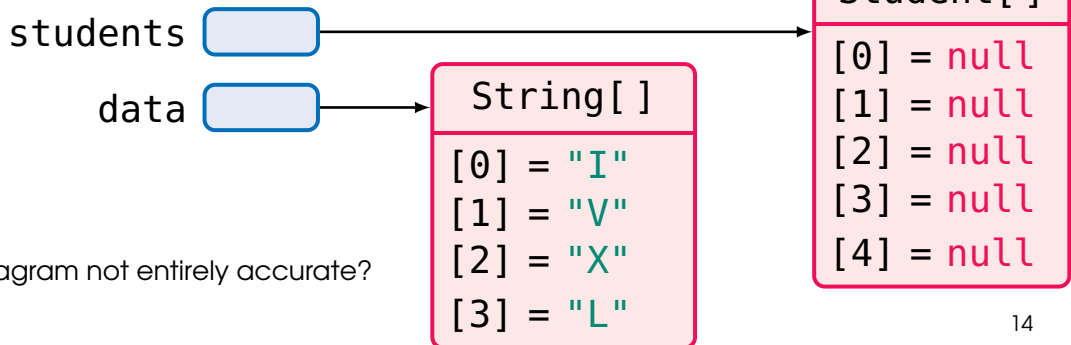
```
a8 b8 c8 d8 e8 f8 g8 h8  
a7 b7 c7 d7 e7 f7 g7 h7  
a6 b6 c6 d6 e6 f6 g6 h6  
a5 b5 c5 d5 e5 f5 g5 h5  
a4 b4 c4 d4 e4 f4 g4 h4  
a3 b3 c3 d3 e3 f3 g3 h3  
a2 b2 c2 d2 e2 f2 g2 h2  
a1 b1 c1 d1 e1 f1 g1 h1
```



# Arrays

- an **array** collects a **sequence** of values of the same **type**

```
1 // empty array of 5 students
2 Student[] students = new Student[5];
3 // list of initial values
4 String[] data = { "I", "V", "X", "L" };
```



**NB:** why is this diagram not entirely accurate?



# Array Elements

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- individual elements in an array data are accessed by an integer index  $i$ , using the notation `data[i]`
- an array element can be used in expressions like any other variable
- the elements of arrays are numbered starting at **0**
- use the expression `data.length` to find the **number** of elements in an array data

```
1 int[] data = { 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 };
2 for (int i = 0; i < data.length / 2; i++)
3     data[data.length - 1 - i] = data[i];
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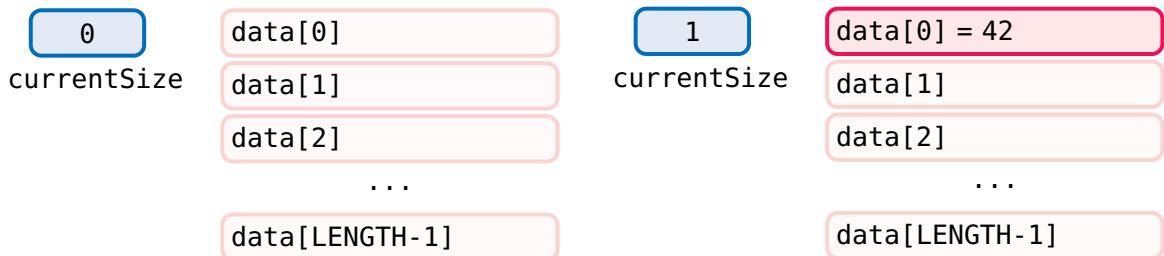


# The Length of Arrays is Fixed

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come up with a guess on the maximum number of elements  
and keep a companion variable for the **current size**

```
1 final int LENGTH = 100; // max number of elements
2 // partially filled array
3 double[] data = new double[LENGTH];
4 int currentSize = 0; // the actual number of elements
5 data[currentSize] = 42; // insert 42
6 currentSize++; // increase the number of elements
```





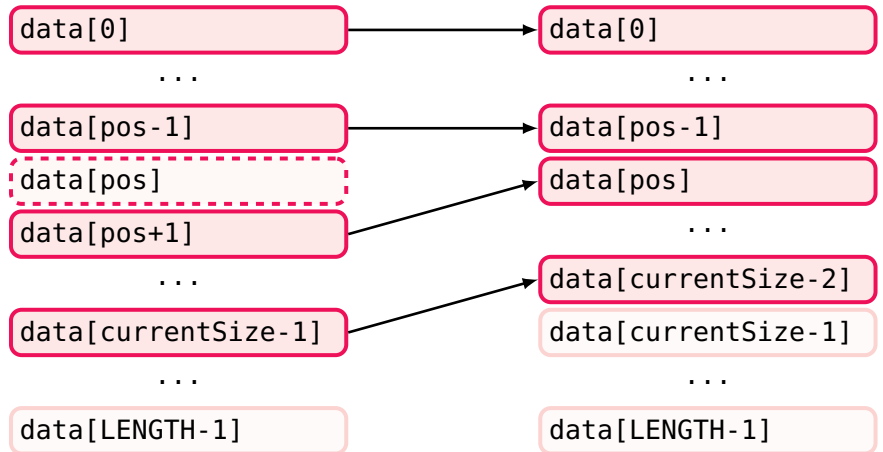
# Partially Filled Arrays

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```
1 Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
2 while (in.hasNextDouble()) // read all doubles
3     if (currentSize < data.length) {
4         // currentSize is the first position
5         //                               available
6         data[currentSize] = in.nextDouble();
7         // update the actual number of elements
8         currentSize++;
9     }
10 // the actual elements are indexed
11 //                               from 0 to currentSize-1
12 for (int i = 0; i < currentSize; i++)
13     System.out.println(data[i]);
```

# Partially Filled Arrays: Removing an Element

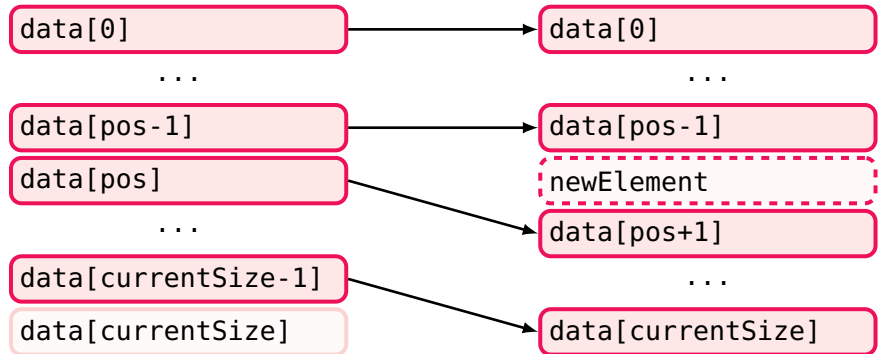
removing  
the element  
at position  
pos



```
1 for (int i = pos; i < currentSize - 1; i++)
2     data[i] = data[i+1];
3 currentSize--; // update the actual number of elements
```

# Partially Filled Arrays: Inserting an Element

inserting  
a newElement  
at position  
pos

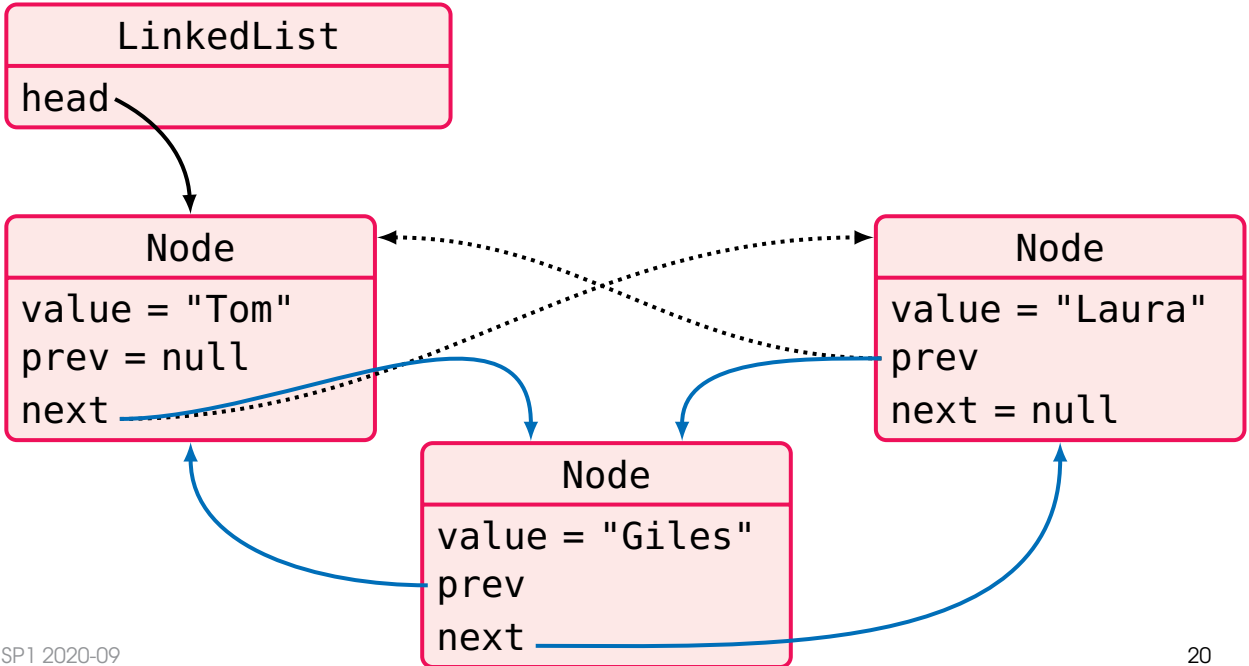


```
1 if (currentSize < data.length) { // check space
2   for (int i = currentSize; i > pos; i--)
3     data[i] = data[i-1];
4   data[pos] = newElement; // place into array
5   currentSize++; // update the number of elements
6 }
```



# LinkedList: Inserting Elements

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# LinkedList: Inserting Elements

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```
1 public class Node {
2     private String value;
3     private Node prev, next;
4
5     public Node(Node current, String value) {
6         this.value = value;
7         this.next = current.next;
8         this.prev = current;
9         if (current.next != null)
10            current.next.prev = this;
11        current.next = this;
12    }
13 }
```

**NB:** effective insertion and deletions  
indexing, however, is slow:

finding the  $n$ th element takes  $n$  steps



## Bubble Sort: Idea

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Repeatedly step through the list to be sorted, comparing each pair of adjacent items and **swapping** them if they are in the wrong order.

The pass through the list is repeated until no swaps are needed, which indicates that the list is **sorted**



# Bubble Sort: Example

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pass 1: ( 5 1 4 2 8 )  $\rightarrow$  ( 1 5 4 2 8 ), swap  
( 1 5 4 2 8 )  $\rightarrow$  ( 1 4 5 2 8 ), swap  
( 1 4 5 2 8 )  $\rightarrow$  ( 1 4 2 5 8 ), swap  
( 1 4 2 5 8 )  $\rightarrow$  ( 1 4 2 5 8 )

pass 2: ( 1 4 2 5 8 )  $\rightarrow$  ( 1 4 2 5 8 )  
( 1 4 2 5 8 )  $\rightarrow$  ( 1 2 4 5 8 ), swap  
( 1 2 4 5 8 )  $\rightarrow$  ( 1 2 4 5 8 )  
( 1 2 4 5 8 )  $\rightarrow$  ( 1 2 4 5 8 )

The array is already sorted,

but the algorithm does not know if it is completed

It needs one whole pass without any swap to know it is sorted

**NB:** does it need to go until the very end on every pass?

**NB:** how many steps does the algorithm require?

best sorting algorithms require  $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$  steps





# Bubble Sort: Implementation

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```
1 boolean swapped;
2 do {
3     swapped = false;
4     // start from 1, not 0!
5     for (int i = 1; i < data.length; i++) {
6         if (data[i-1] > data[i]) {
7             double t = data[i-1];
8             data[i-1] = data[i];
9             data[i] = t;
10            swapped = true;
11        }
12    }
13 } while (swapped);
```



# Take Home Messages

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- every class automatically extends the class `Object`
- an array index in an array data must be  
 $\geq 0$  and  $< \text{data.length}$
- arrays can occur as method parameters  
and return values (passing references)
- with a partially filled array,  
keep a companion variable for the current size