

# Review: polymorphism

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24     }
```

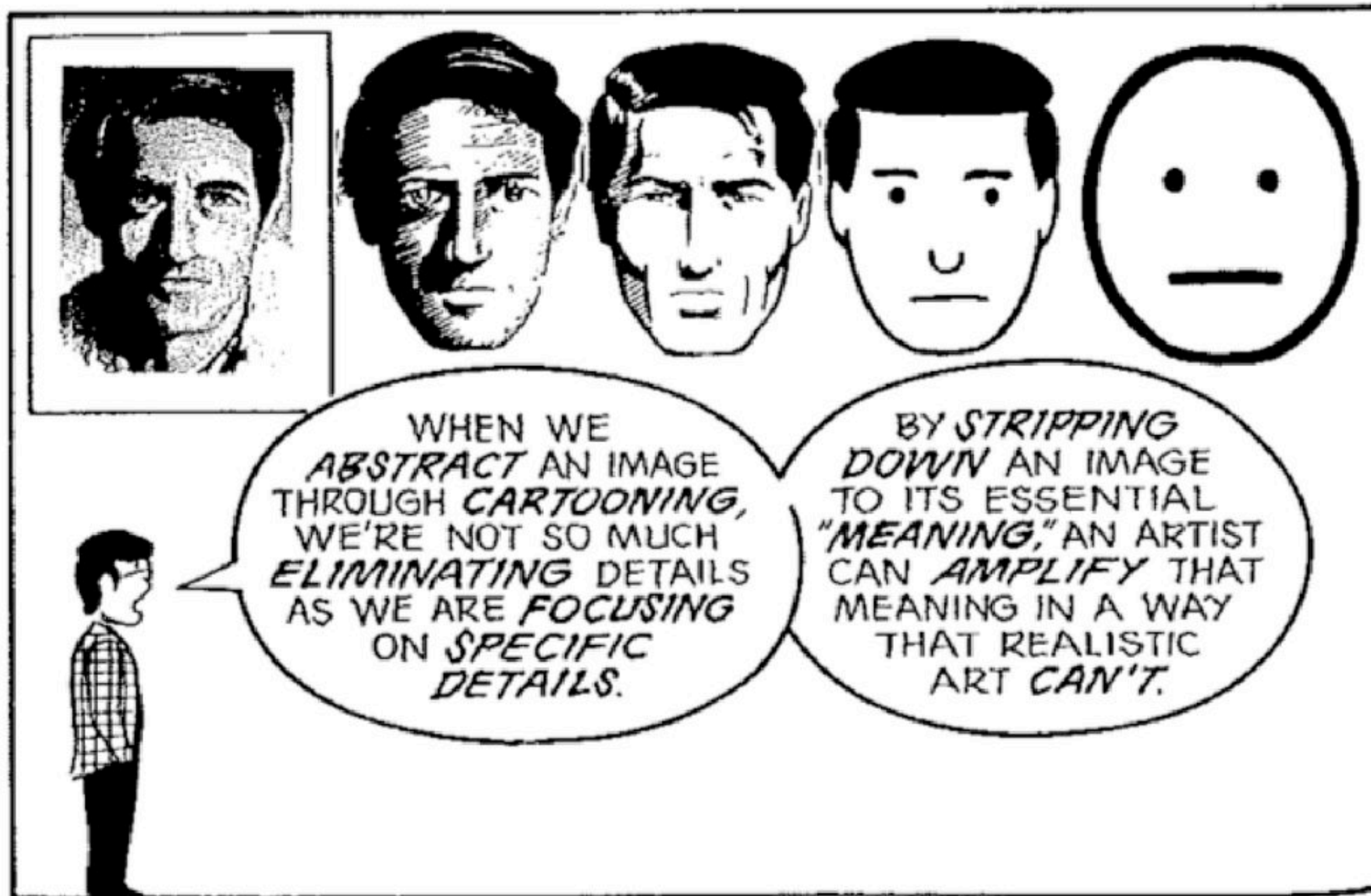
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- What's printed? Why?
  - 20, Child show() method
- Why does .show() behave differently from num?
  - .show() is overridden in the child class, while num hides the parent value
- What keyword can be used to access the value of num in the parent class from the child class?
  - super
- How can we modify the code so we can print out 20 for num in main(), while keeping the type of obj as Parent?
  - create a getter (getNum()) so overriding happens
- **SUMMARY:** instance methods get overridden, but variables (and static methods) are hidden

# CS62 Class 5: Interfaces, Generics



From Understanding Comics by Scott McCloud  
AKA: Today is all about abstraction!

# Lecture 5 agenda

- Interfaces
- Generics
- ArrayLists (brief intro)

# Interfaces

# Interfaces: managing abstraction

- An interface is a form of **abstraction** that is a **contract** of what a class must do. As an abstraction, it does not say *how* a class should do it.
- In Java, an interface is a reference type (like a class), that contains **abstract methods** and **default methods**.
- A class that implements an interface is obliged to implement its abstract methods.
- Interfaces cannot be instantiated (no `new` keyword). They can only be *implemented* by classes or *extended* by other interfaces.

# Example

```
public interface Enrollable{  
    void enrollInCourse(String course);  
    void withdrawFromCourse(String course);  
    void viewCourseSchedule();  
  
    default int getMaxCredits(){  
        return 4;  
    }  
}
```

abstract methods - just include the signature.  
any class that “implements” the interface has  
to have these signatures filled out

note syntax - just ; no {}

default method: need “default” keyword in  
beginning. everything that implements this  
interface can use this method

all methods are implicitly public in an interface  
- no need for “public” modifier

# Example

```
class PomonaStudent implements Enrollable{  
  
...  
    public void enrollInCourse(String course) {  
        // implementation  
    }  
  
    public void withdrawFromCourse(String course) {  
        // implementation  
    }  
  
    public void viewCourseSchedule() {  
        // implementation  
    }  
}
```



# Example

```
class FourthYearPomonaStudent extends PomonaStudent{
```

```
...
```

```
    public int getMaxCredits(){  
        return 6;  
    }  
}
```

can override default methods of interfaces

Q: Why don't we need "implements Enrollable" for FourthYearPomonaStudent?

# Interfaces

- A class can implement multiple interfaces. Remember: a class can only extend one class
  - `class A implements Interface1, Interface2{...}`
- An interface can extend multiple interfaces.
  - `public interface GroupedInterface extends Interface1, Interface2{...}`

# Worksheet time!

- Create an interface called `Adoptable` that contains four abstract methods: a `void requestAdoption()`, `boolean isAdopted()`, `void completeAdoption()`, and `String makeHappyNoise()`.
- Have the class `Animal` implement the interface. You can provide some very minimal implementation of the methods so that you don't receive a compile-time error.
- Override the `makeHappyNoise()` in the `Cat` and `Dog` subclasses.

# Worksheet answers

```
public interface Adoptable {  
    void requestAdoption();  
    boolean isAdopted();  
    void completeAdoption();  
    String makeHappyNoise();  
}
```

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```
public class Animal implements Adoptable {  
    boolean adopted;  
    public void requestAdoption() {  
        // Implementation for an animal's adoption request  
    }  
  
    public boolean isAdopted() {  
        return adopted;  
    }  
  
    public void completeAdoption() {  
        // Implementation to finalize the adoption for an animal  
        adopted = true;  
    }  
  
    public String makeHappyNoise(){  
        return "I was adopted hooray!";  
    }  
}
```

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# Worksheet answers

```
public class Cat extends Animal{

    private String fur;
    private static int catCounter;

    public Cat(String name, int age, int daysInRescue, String fur){
        super(name, age, daysInRescue);
        this.fur = fur;
        catCounter++;
    }

    public String getFur(){
        return fur;
    }

    protected void setFur(String fur){
        this.fur = fur;
    }

    public String toString(){
        return super.toString() + "Cat fur: " + fur + "\n";
    }

    public String makeHappyNoise(){
        return "I am a happy cat!";
    }

}
```

```
public class Dog extends Animal{

    private String breed;
    private static int dogCounter;

    public Dog(String name, int age, int daysInRescue, String breed){
        super(name, age, daysInRescue);
        this.breed = breed;
        dogCounter++;
    }

    public String toString(){
        return super.toString() + "Dog breed: " + breed + "\n";
    }

    public String makeHappyNoise(){
        return "I am a happy dog!";
    }

}
```

# Generics

# Towards building our own data structures...

- Arrays in Java are OK, but they're not resizable. Let's define our own data structure that supports adding elements, getting them at an index, removing them, etc...
- As such, we will build an **interface List** that forces any data structure that implements it to implement these operations.
- But what about types? We want our List interface to be able to hold objects of any type.

# Lists should support any type of element

- We want our data structure to support any type of elements, as long as they are of the same type. We could use the class Object but this requires casting to the desired type:

```
Object[] objects = new Object[2];  
objects[0] = "hello";  
String message = (String) objects[0];  
System.out.println(message);
```

casting objects[0] to String, since it's type Object

```
objects[1] = 40;
```

but we might accidentally mix types! that's not OK! but you won't get a compiler error

```
String wrongCast = (String) objects[1];  
System.out.println(wrongCast);
```

results in runtime error: ClassCastException



# Why generics help

- Generics are type parameters which are, well, generic.
- Let's say we want to create an interface that defines a new List data structure, but we don't know yet what type of object should be in the List. That's where we can use a *generic type*.

```
public interface List <E> {  
    void add(E element);  
    void add(int index, E element);  
    E get(int index);  
    boolean isEmpty();  
}
```

We use <> to denote generics in an interface or class declaration

- Benefits:
  - Type safety (can't mix types in a list anymore)
  - No explicit casting needed anymore
  - Errors are caught at compile time instead of run time

# Generics

```
public interface List <E> {  
    void add(E element);  
    void add(int index, E element);  
    void clear();  
    E get(int index);  
    boolean isEmpty();  
    E remove();  
    E remove(int index);  
    E set(int index, E element);  
    int size();  
}
```

Formal type parameters

Kinds of formal type parameters:

E: element (common in data structures),  
T: type, K: key, V: value, N: number.

```
public class MyList<E> implements List<E>{...}
```

- In the invocation, all occurrences of the formal type parameters are replaced by the **actual type argument**
- ```
MyList<String> list = new MyList<String>();  
list.add("hello");  
String s = list.get(0);    // no cast
```

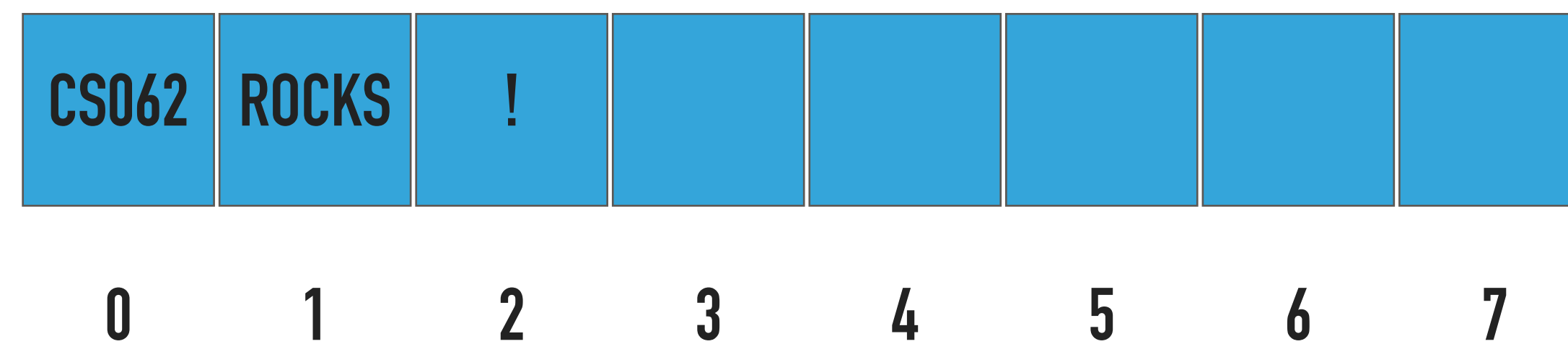
# ArrayLists

# Limitations of Arrays

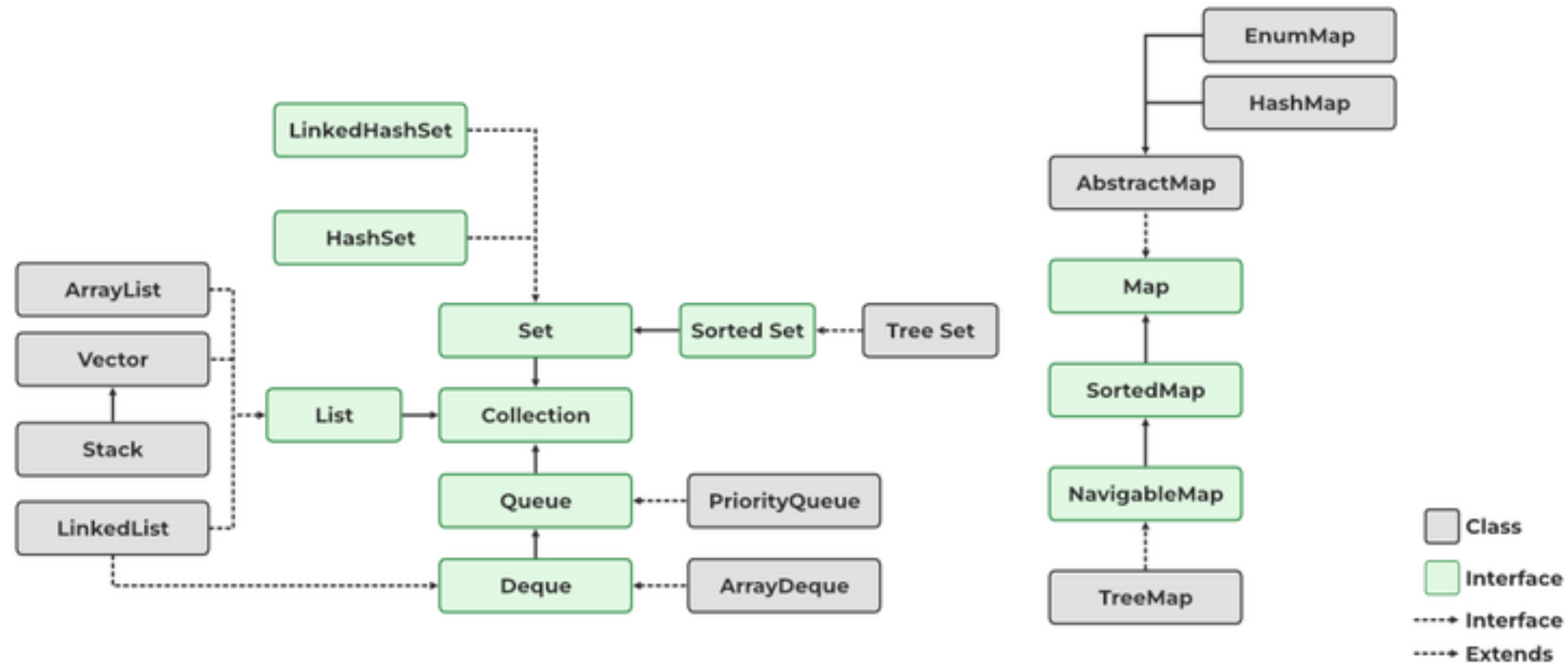
- Fixed-size.
- Do not work well with generics.
  - `E[] myArray = (E[]) new Object[capacity];`
- Limited functionality (Java requires the use of Arrays class for printing contents and manipulating arrays, such as sorting and searching).
- We want resizable arrays that support any type of object.

# ArrayList (or dynamic/growable/resizable/mutable array)

- Dynamic linear data structure that is zero-indexed.
  - We will use the `List` interface to build it next class. This class, we'll use a pre-built version that we can import.
- Sequential data structure that requires consecutive memory cells.
- Implemented with an underlying array of a specific capacity.
  - But the user does not see that!



# The Java Collections Framework



- Built in data structure classes that you can use in your code
- We'll be using it in this week's lab to practice *using* ArrayLists. Then, in Thursday's lecture, we'll practice writing our own ArrayList implementation.

```
1 import java.util.ArrayList;
```

<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/collections-in-java-2/>

# Worksheet time!

```
import java.util.ArrayList;

class Box<T> {
    private ArrayList<T> items = new ArrayList<T>();

    public void addItem(_____) {
        items.add(item);
    }

    _____ getItem(int index) {
        return items.get(index);
    }

    public void removeItem(int index) {
        items.remove(index);
    }

    public int getSize() {
        return items.size();
    }
}

public class WithGenerics {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Box<String> fruitBox = _____
        fruitBox.addItem("Grape");
        fruitBox.addItem("Banana");

        _____ weightBox = new Box<Double>();
        weightBox.addItem(10.0);
        weightBox.addItem(12.5);
        weightBox.addItem(25.0);
        weightBox.removeItem(0);

        System.out.println(_____); //# of fruits in fruitbox
        System.out.println(weightBox.getItem(1));
    }
}
```

1. Fill in the 5 blanks.

2. What gets printed?

3. If you called fruitBox.addItem(47), what would happen and why?

4. How do generics ensure type safety in this example?

# Worksheet answers

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import java.util.ArrayList;

class Box<T> {
    private ArrayList<T> items = new ArrayList<T>();

    public void addItem(T item) {
        items.add(item);
    }

    public T getItem(int index) {
        return items.get(index);
    }

    public void removeItem(int index) {
        items.remove(index);
    }

    public int getSize() {
        return items.size();
    }
}

public class WithGenerics {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Box<String> fruitBox = new Box<>(); // Box<String>() is OK too
        fruitBox.addItem("Grape");
        fruitBox.addItem("Banana");

        Box<double> weightBox = new Box<Double>();
        weightBox.addItem(10.0);
        weightBox.addItem(12.5);
        weightBox.addItem(25.0);
        weightBox.removeItem(0);

        System.out.println(fruitBox.getSize()); // # of fruits in fruitbox
        System.out.println(weightBox.getItem(1));
    }
}
```

1. Fill in the 5 blanks.

2. What gets printed?

2  
25.0

3. If you called fruitBox.addItem(47), what would happen and why?

Compiler error because types are mismatched  
(can't add int to a String box)

```
The method addItem(String) in the type Box<String> is not applicable for the arguments (int) Java(67108979)
```

```
void Box.addItem(String item)
```

4. How do generics ensure type safety in this example?

They are flexible enough to be any type, but they enforce that every item that's added to the ArrayList as to be the same type



# Lecture 5 wrap-up

- HW2 due tonight 11:59pm
  - HW3 Darwin is already released. Pair programming, so find a partner (remember, we want you to code together in person, not I do this part, you do that part)
- Last retake for the quiz is tomorrow 4-5pm (remember, your lowest score is dropped)

## Resources

- Interfaces: <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/landl/createinterface.html>
- Generics: <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/generics/index.html>  
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/extra/generics/intro.html>
- Textbook: <https://algs4.cs.princeton.edu/home/>