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Exercises 3: Inheritance and Subtyping in Sather

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Homework – Exercise 1

```
interface I1 {}
```

```
interface I2 {}
```

```
final class C1 implements I1 {}
```

```
public class Ex1 {
```

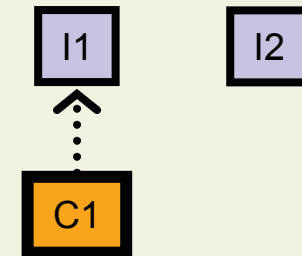
```
    public static void main( String[] args ) {
```

```
        C1 c1 = new C1();
```

```
        I2 i2 = (I2) c1;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

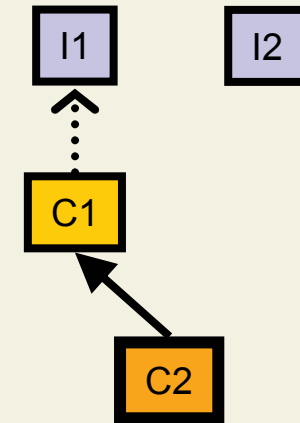


- **Compilation Error: inconvertible types**

Homework – Exercise 2

```
interface I1 {}  
interface I2 {}  
class C1 implements I1 {}  
final class C2 extends C1 {}
```

```
public class Ex2 {  
    public static void main( String[] args ) {  
        C1 c1 = new C2();  
        I2 i2 = (I2) c1;  
    }  
}
```



- Runtime Error: `java.lang.ClassCastException`

Homework – Exercise 3

```
class C1 {  
    int age = 99;  
    int getAge() {  
        return age; }  
}  
  
class C2 extends C1 {  
    int age = 22;  
    int getAge() {  
        return age; }  
}
```

■ Output:

```
C1.age:          99  
C1.getAge:       99  
C2.age:          22  
C2.getAge:       22  
C1=C2.age:       99  
C1=C2.getAge:    22
```

Assertions (since Java 1.4)

- Two versions of assertions:

```
assert Expression1 ;
```

```
assert Expression1 : Expression2 ;
```

- Java evaluates `Expression1` and if it is false throws an `AssertionError` with the value of `Expression2` as detail message, if present.

- Compile like this:

```
javac -source 1.4 MyClass.java
```

- At runtime enable/disable assertions selectively per package or class:

```
java -enableassertions:pack.age... Test
```

Assertions for Pre- and Post-Conditions

- Assertion statements can be used to simulate Design-by-Contract in a simple way
- For public methods use if-statements to check the input, because assertions can be turned off
- But for internal methods you can use asserts to make sure the preconditions are met
- Assertions at the end of a method can be used to establish postconditions
- Consistently adding checks to the postconditions can establish a class invariant

Assertions Example

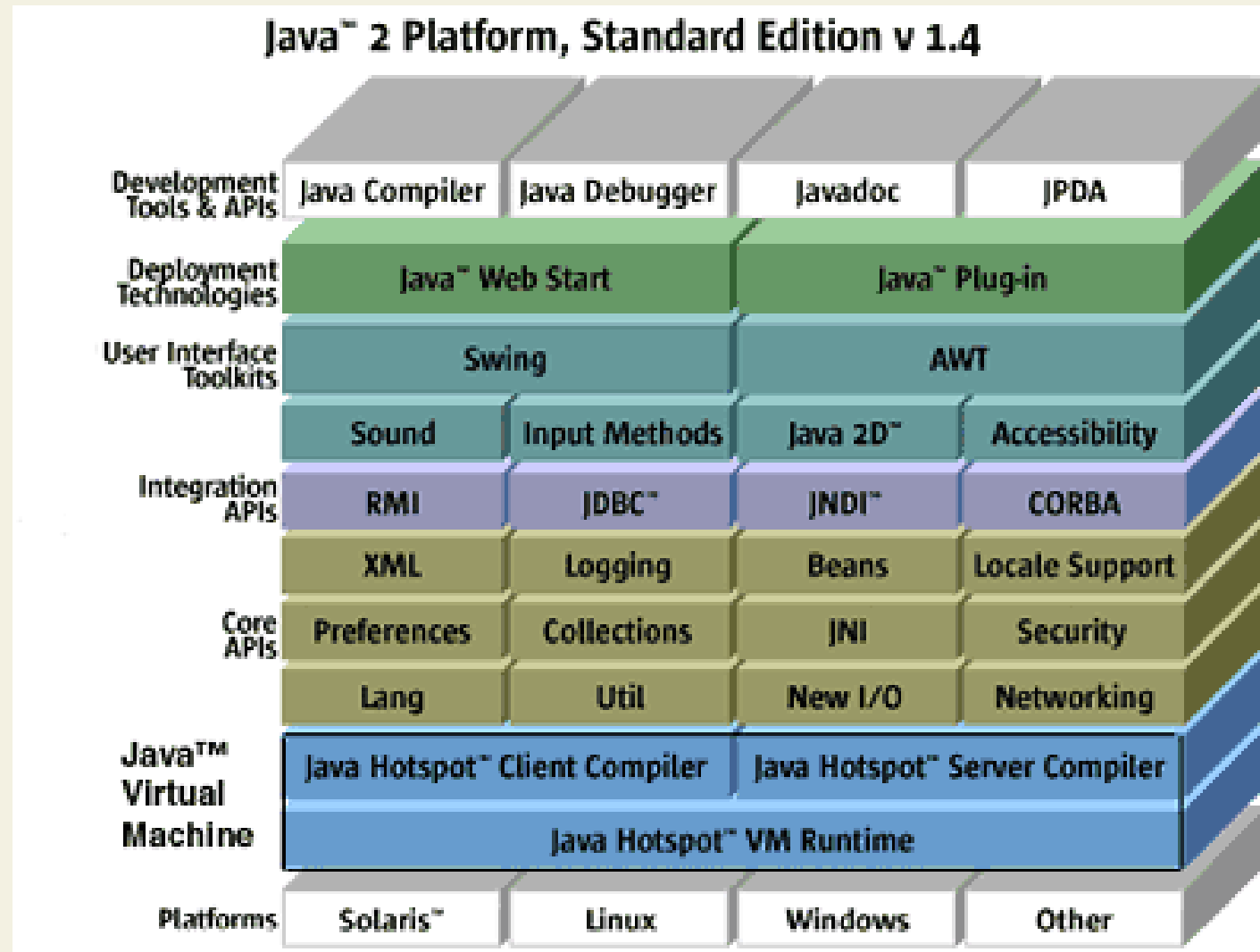
- Internal function for updating an attribute:

```
private int attr;  
void setAttr( int newAttr ) {  
    assert newAttr > 0 :  
        "New attribute value <= 0!";  
    attr = newAttr;  
}
```

- An invalid call at runtime results in:

```
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.AssertionError:  
    New attribute value <= 0!  
    at Test9.setAttr(Test9.java:8)  
    at Test9.main(Test9.java:23)
```

Java 2 Platform, Standard Edition



What's to come in Java 1.5

- Generics:

```
List<String> words =  
    new ArrayList<String>();
```

- Enhanced for-loop:

```
void cancelAll(Collection c) {  
    for (Object o : c)  
        ((TimerTask)o).cancel();  
}
```

What's to come in Java 1.5

- Autoboxing/unboxing

```
public class Freq {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        Map<String, Integer> m =  
            new TreeMap<String, Integer>();  
        for(String word: args)  
            m.put(word, m.get(word) + 1);  
        System.out.println(m);  
    }  
}
```

- Other things: typesafe enums, static import, metadata, ...

Sather Features

- object-oriented dynamic binding,
- statically-checked strong typing,
- separate implementation and type inheritance,
- multiple inheritance,
- garbage collection,
- iteration abstraction,
- parameterized classes,
- higher-order routines and iterators,
- exception handling,
- assertions, preconditions, postconditions, and class invariants.
- Sather programs can be compiled into portable C code and can efficiently link with C object files.

Defining your own Classes

```
class MYPOINT is  
  attr x, y:INT;  
  create(xvalue, yvalue:INT) :SAME is  
    res ::= new;  
    res.x := xvalue; res.y := yvalue;  
    return res;  
  end;  
end;
```

```
X:MYPOINT := MYPOINT::create(3, 5);
```

```
Y ::= #MYPOINT(3, 5);
```

Immutable Classes

```
immutable class MYPOINT is  
  readonly attr x, y:INT;  
  create(xvalue, yvalue:INT) : SAME is  
    res:SAME;  
    res := res.x(xvalue);  
    res := res.y(yvalue);  
    return res;  
end;  
end;  
  
X:MYPOINT := MYPOINT::create(3, 5);  
Y ::= #MYPOINT(3, 5);
```

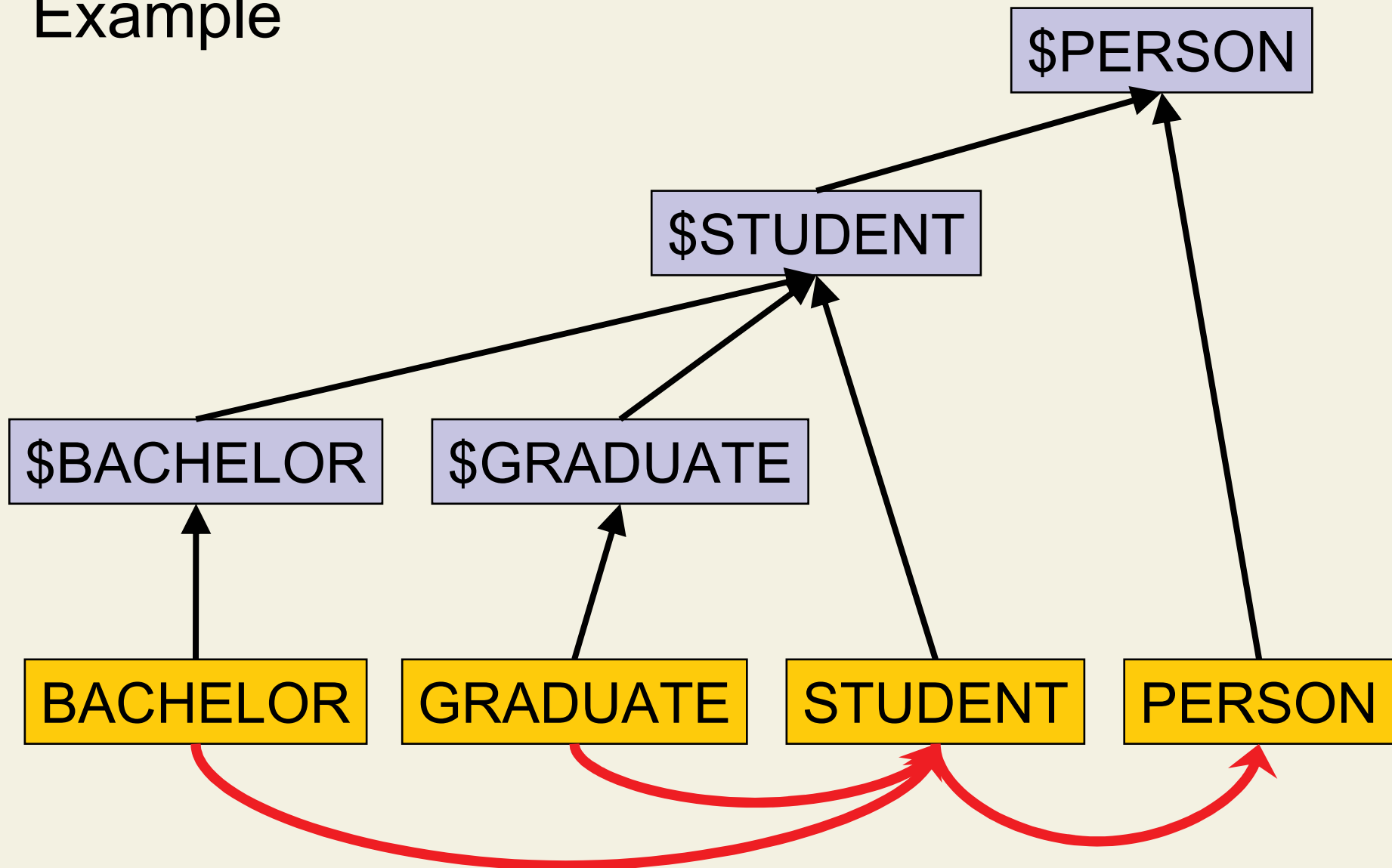
Sather's Type System

- Sather distinguishes between type relations and code relations between classes
- Subtyping establishes a type relationship between classes, but no code is reused
- Multiple subtyping is allowed
- Even the concept of “supertyping” is introduced, which can be used to group common features of distinct type hierarchies

Sather's Type System

- Code reuse is a separate concept, also called implementation inheritance or code inclusion
- Semantics of textual inclusion
- Inclusion from multiple classes allowed
- Features can be renamed and hidden
- Special partial classes exist that have no type and can not be instantiated. They can just be used for code inclusion into other classes

Example



Abstract Classes

- Abstract classes only used for subtyping
- Not for code inclusion
- Class names have to start with a dollar \$ and be in ALL CAPS
- Example:

```
abstract class $STACK is  
    create: SAME;  
    push (e: INT) ;  
    pop: INT;  
    is_empty: BOOL;  
end;
```

Subtyping

- A concrete or abstract class can be a subtype of an abstract class by using the < notation:

```
class ARR_STACK < $STACK is ...  
class LINK_STACK < $STACK is ...
```

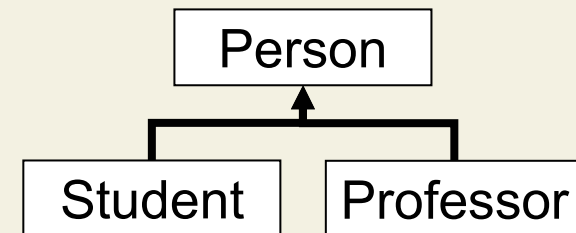
- Abstract classes can be used as attribute and method parameter types:

```
class USER is  
  private attr stack:$STACK;  
  create(s:$STACK) :SAME is res ::= new;  
    res.stack := s; return res;  
end;  
end;
```

Supertyping

- In Sather it is possible to introduce types above other types by using >
- For example:

```
abstract class $IS_EMPTY > $LIST, $SET  
is  
    is_empty:BOOL;  
end;
```



- This does not extend the interface of the subtypes, e.g. \$LIST and \$SET must already contain a feature `is_empty`

```
class READWRITE1 is
  attr mem:READWRITE2;

  getMem:READWRITE2 is return mem; end;

  create( a1:READWRITE2 ):SAME is
    res ::= new; res.mem := a1; return res;
  end;
end;


class READWRITE2 is
  attr mem1:CARD;

  create(a1:CARD):SAME is
    res ::= new; res.mem1 := a1; return res;
  end;
end;
```

```
abstract class $READONLY1 > READWRITE1 is  
  mem:$READONLY2;
```

```
  getMem:$READONLY2;  
end;
```

```
abstract class $READONLY2 > READWRITE2 is  
  mem1: CARD;  
end;
```

```
rw2 ::= #READWRITE2 (4);  
rw1 ::= #READWRITE1 (2, 3.0, rw2);
```

```
ro1:$READONLY1 := rw1;  
ro2:$READONLY2 := rw2;  
ro3:$READONLY2 := ro1.getMem3;
```

Inheritance without Subtyping

- Inheritance can be realized without subtyping
 - Example: Sather (a descendant of Eiffel)
- Using subclassing without establishing the “is-a” relation is problematic

```
class List {  
    ...  
    void appendFront( Object o ) { ... }  
    void appendBack( Object o ) { ... }  
}
```

```
class Stack extends List {  
    ...  
    // appendFront used as push  
    void appendBack( Object o ) {  
        System.out.println (“Should not  
            be used!!”);  
    }  
}
```

Inheritance without Subtyping

```
class List {  
    ...  
  
    void appendFront (Object o)  
    { ... }  
  
    void appendBack (Object o)  
    { ... }  
}
```

```
class Stack  
    extends List {  
  
    hide List.appendBack;  
  
    // appendFront is  
    // used as push  
  
    ...  
}
```

```
List l = someone.getList();  
  
l.appendBack( new MyObject(...) );
```

Sather Solution

```
class LIST is  
  
  appendFront (p:$OB) is  
    ...  
end;  
  
  appendBack (p:$OB) is  
    ...  
end;  
end;
```

```
class STACK is  
  
  include LIST  
  appendBack ->;  
  
end;
```

- Textual Code inclusion
- No subtype relationship
- → No problem with polymorphic calls

Code Inclusion

- Include clause is used to include code from other classes
- Features can be renamed and modifiers changed
- A private include changes all modifiers to also be private
- Examples:

```
include A a->b, c->, d->private d;  
private include D e->readonly f;  
private include G h->h;
```

Sather is Contravariant

- Assume the following classes:

```
abstract class $UPPER is ...
```

```
abstract class $MIDDLE < $UPPER is ...
```

```
abstract class $LOWER < $MIDDLE is ...
```

- And a method:

```
abstract class $SUPER is
```

```
    foo ( a1:$MIDDLE ) : $MIDDLE;
```

```
end;
```

- Now what argument/return types can `foo` have in subtypes of `$SUPER`?

Type Rules in Sather

- For routine signatures there are the following rules:
 - Arguments must have the same type or a **supertype**
 - return values must have the same type or a **subtype**

- For the `$SUPER::foo` example from earlier:

```
class SUB < $SUPER is  
    foo ( a1:$UPPER ) : $LOWER is ...  
end;
```

- Reminder of the substitution principle:

Objects of subtypes can be used wherever objects of supertypes are expected

Type Rules in Contracts

```
abstract class $SUPER is  
    // requires type(a1) <= $MIDDLE  
    // requires type(res) <= $MIDDLE  
    foo ( a1:$MIDDLE ) : $MIDDLE;  
end;
```

```
class SUB < $SUPER is  
    // requires type(a1) <= $UPPER  
    // requires type(res) <= $LOWER  
    foo ( a1:$UPPER ) : $LOWER is ...  
end;
```

References

- Some links for Sather:
 - <http://www.icsi.berkeley.edu/~sather/>
 - http://www.gnu.org/directory/devel/Programming_languages/sather.html
 - <http://www.info.uni-karlsruhe.de/~sather/>
- Language descriptions and examples taken from:
“A Language Manual for Sather 1.1” by Gomes,
Stoutamire, Vaysman and Klawitter

Questions?

Hello World!

Program in file Hello.sa:

```
class HELLO_WORLD is
  main is
    #OUT + "Hello World!\n";
  end;
end;
```

Compilation:

```
sacomp -o Hello -main HELLO_WORLD Hello.sa
```