

Introductory Java 2

J2

Types

Objects

Classes

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Types

00110001 ?

$2^5 + 2^4 + 2^0 = 49$?

R of RGB value ?

ASCII Char '1' ?

X86 Opcode XOR ?

Type-Soundness: at most one of those interpretations is true for any concrete sequence of bits.

5 + 4 ✓

“Hello” % 3 ✗

Static Type-Checking: ensure type-safety before running the program (e.g. Java)

Dynamic Type-Checking: crash instead of doing non-sensical operations (e.g. Python)

String x; ✗

int x; ✓

x % 3 ?

Objects

State + Behavior

Fields (with Types)

Methods (imperative code)

Good OO code
guards state
with behavior

(Current)

Example: Bicycle

- Speed
- Direction
- Cadence
- Gear
- Change Gear
- Change Cadence
- Brake

Java Interfaces

Methods define behavior

An **interface** is a group of methods *without* implementations

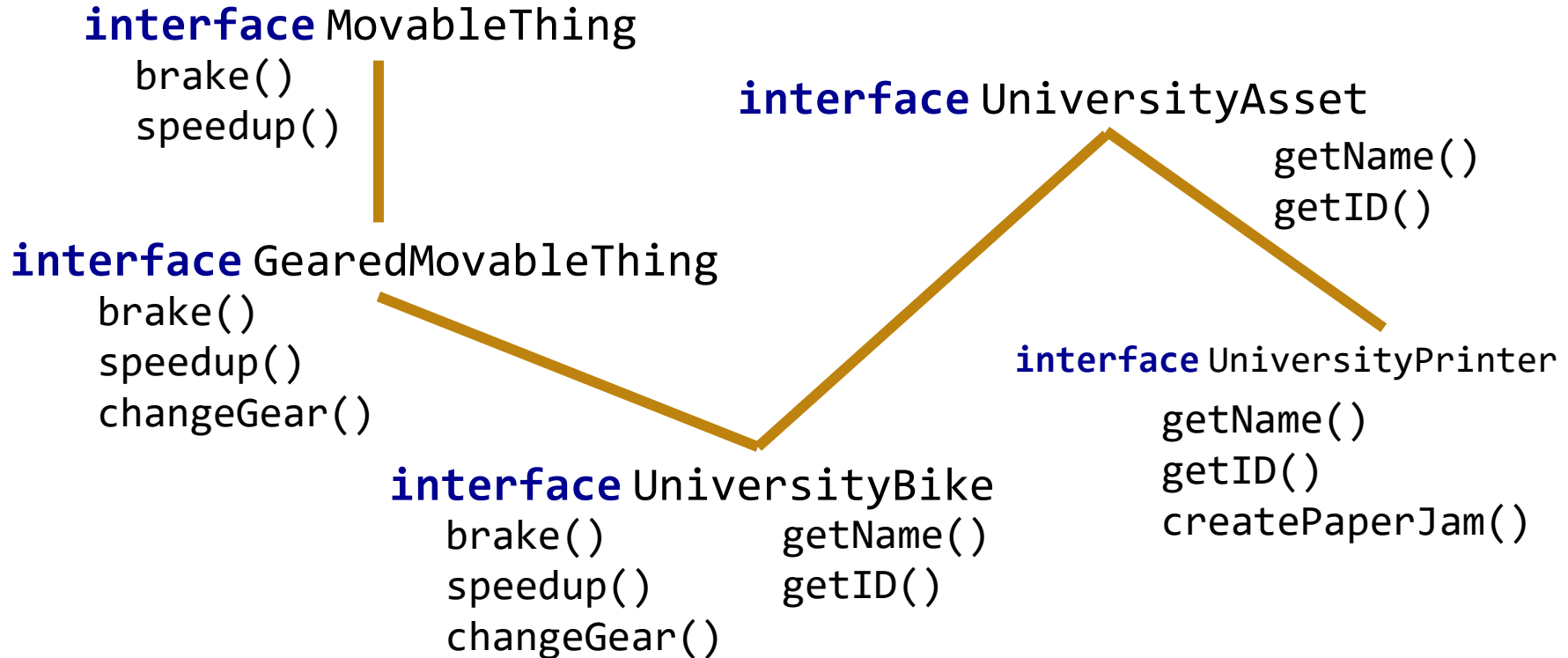
Example: an **interface** `MovableThing` might include:

```
brake()  
speedup()
```

Interfaces can **extend** other interfaces, for example, an **interface** `GearedMovableThing` is a `MovableThing` that also includes:

```
changeGear()
```

Interface Hierarchy



Classes

Describe the state and behavior of similar objects – a “blueprint” from which to create objects.

Are the **most precise type** of objects created from them.

Vice versa: **Objects are instances of Classes.**

Example: bicycle

Class: Kona Jake The Snake 2012

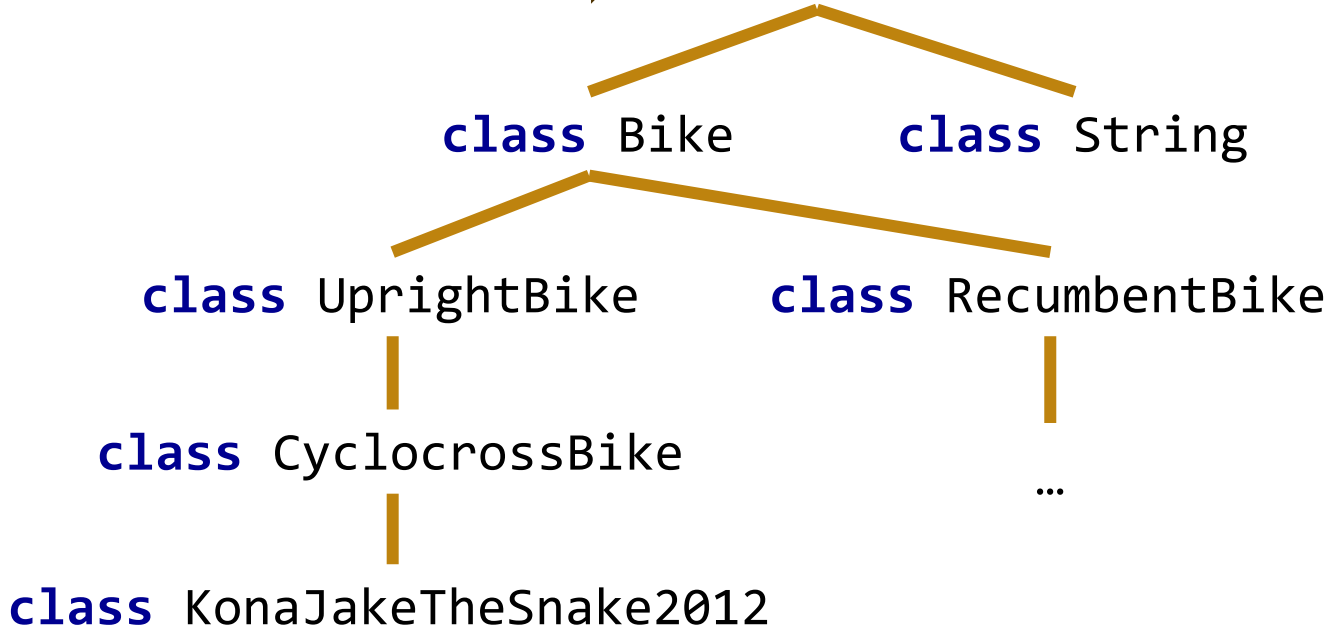
Instance: your bike

Another Instance: my bike



Class Hierarchy: Inheritance

Superclass of everything → **class** Object



Fields & Method-Definitions
are inherited by each sub-class



Key Java OO Concepts Overview

Types

Interface

Describes behavior,
but not state

No implementation

Useful to guard your
objects' internals -
“Encapsulation”

Class

Blueprint, describes
both state and
behavior, including
implementation

May implement
interfaces

Object

Concrete instance of
a class, specific state

A “**value**” in your
program, like 5 or
the String “Hello”