CS 320

Introduction to Software Engineering
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- Ad-hoc polymorphism (e.g., operator overloading)
  - `a + b` ⇒ String vs. int, double, etc.
- Subtype polymorphism (e.g., method overriding)
  - `Object obj = ...;` `obj.toString();` ⇒ toString() can be overridden in subclasses and therefore provide a different behavior.
- Parametric polymorphism (e.g., Java generics)
  - ⇒ A LinkedList can store elements regardless of their type but still provide full type safety.

```
class LinkedList<E> {
  void add(E) {...}
  E get(int index) {...}
```

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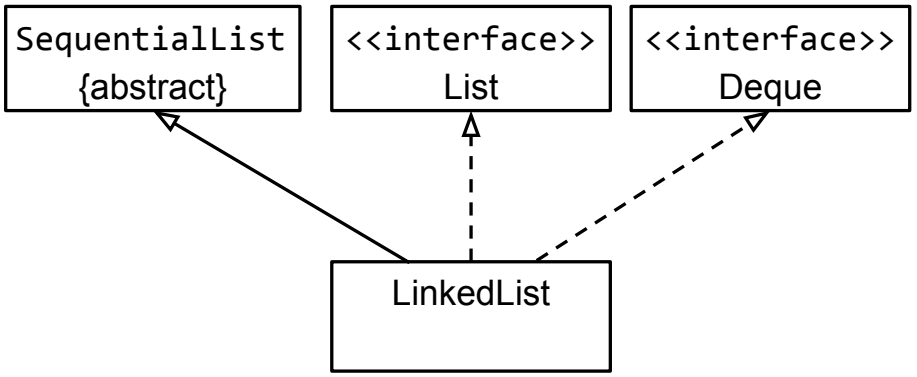

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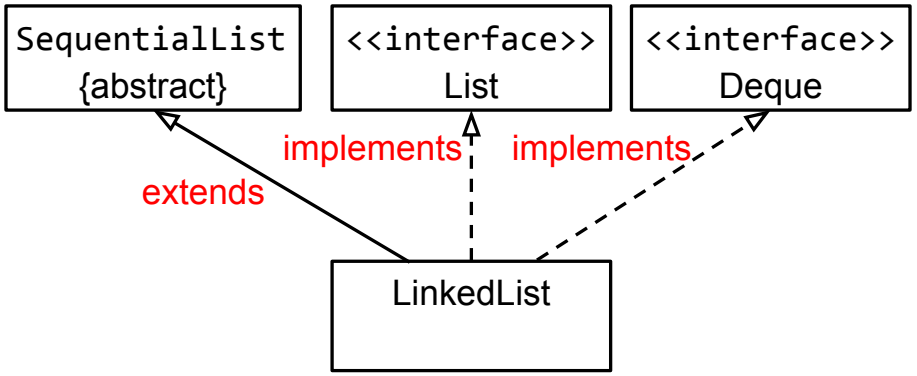
LinkedList extends SequentialList implements List, Deque



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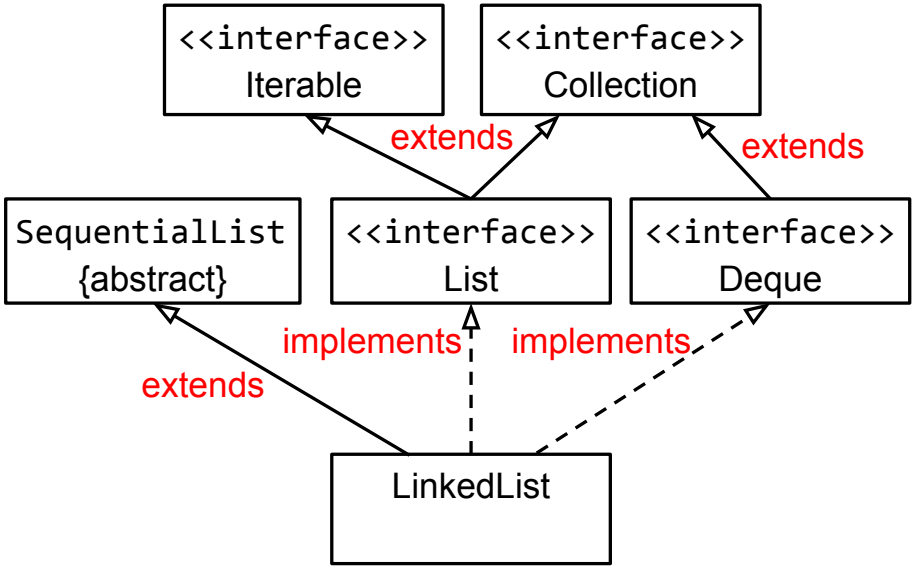

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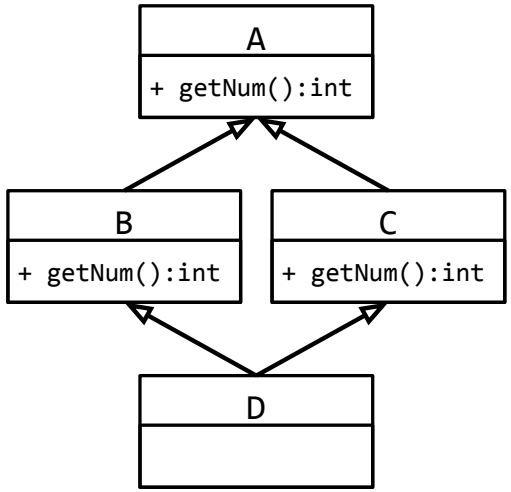

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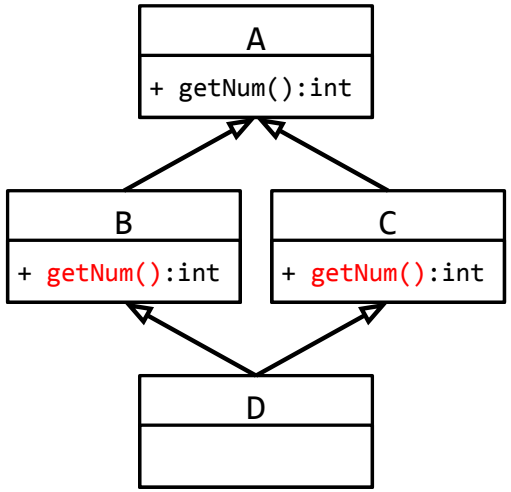
What version of getNum() to call?



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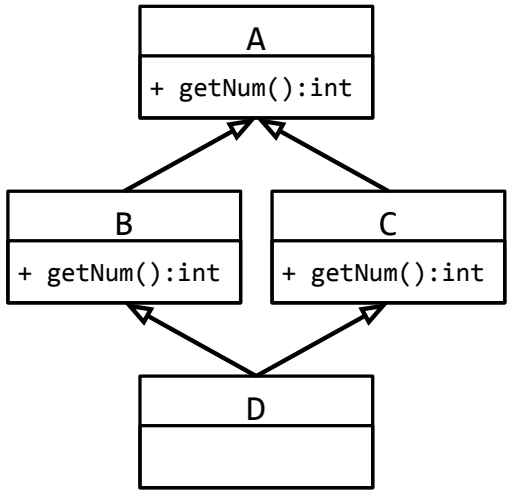

Can you think of a particular method in Java for which this problem could arise (if Java would allow multiple inheritance)?

Classes, abstract classes, and interfaces

MyClass	MyAbstractClass {abstract}	<<interface>> MyInterface

```
public class MyClass {

  public void op() {
    ...
  }

  public int op2() {
    ...
  }
}
```

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  public abstract void op();


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Recall how default methods (Java 8) fit into this spectrum?

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```
public interface
     MyInterface {

 public void op();


 public default int op2() {
  ...
 }
}
```

So, how does an interface with default methods differ from an abstract class?

Coding example: cs320/ArrayList.java (v1,v2)

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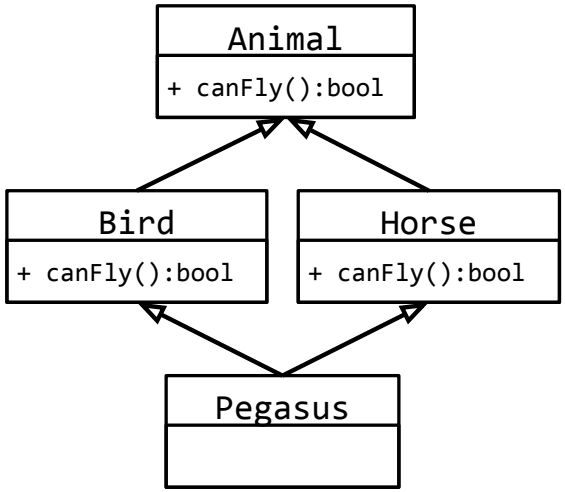

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```
public class Pegasus implements Horse, Bird {
    public boolean canFly() {
        return true;
    }
}
```

How can you resolve the conflict without hard-coding the return value in the *canFly* method?

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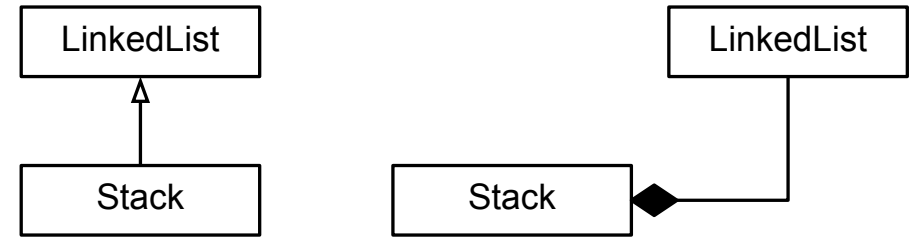


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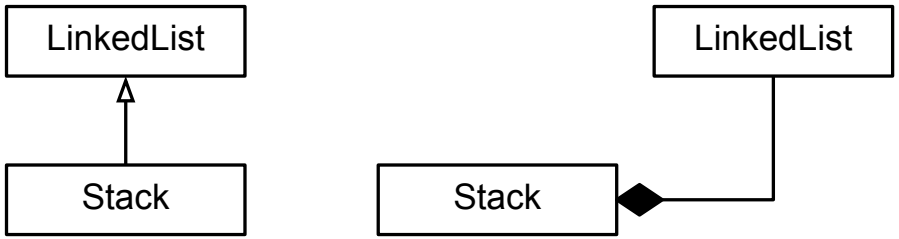


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Hmm, both designs seem valid -- what are pros and cons?

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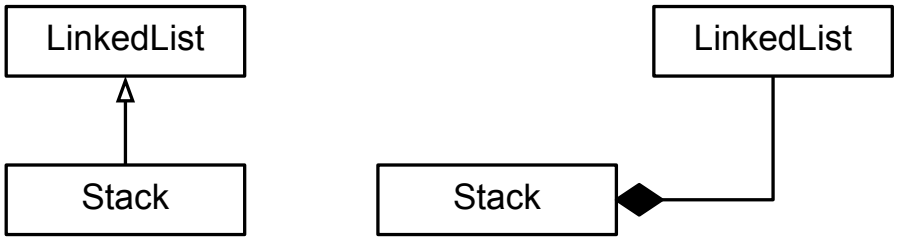

Pros

- No delegation methods required.
- Reuse of common state and behavior.

Cons

- Exposure of all inherited methods (a client might rely on this particular superclass -> can't change it later).
- Changes in superclass are likely to break subclasses.

Pros

- Highly flexible and configurable.
- No additional subclasses required for different has-a relationships.

Cons

- All interface methods need to be implemented -> delegation methods required, even for code reuse.

Composition/aggregation over inheritance allows more flexibility.

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Information hiding

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+ capacity : int
+ top : int
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What does MyClass do?

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Anything that could be improved in this implementation?

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Information hiding:

- Reveal as little information about internals as possible.
- Segregate public interface and implementation details.
- Reduces complexity.

Information hiding vs. visibility

Public
???
Private

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- Protected, package-private, or friend-accessible (C++).
- Not part of the public API.
- Implementation detail that a subclass/friend may rely on.

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Design principles: open/closed principle

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- **open** for extensions
- **closed** for modifications

```
public static void draw(Object f) {
  if (f instanceof Square) {
    drawSquare((Square) f)
  } else if (f instanceof Circle) {
    drawCircle((Circle) f);
  } else {
    ...
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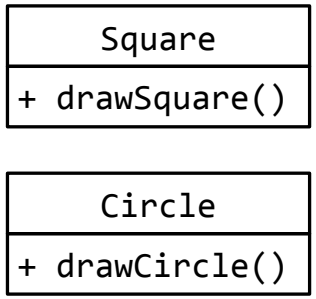

Good or bad design?

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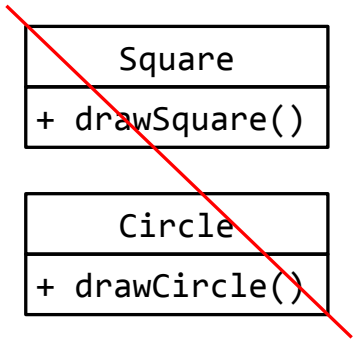

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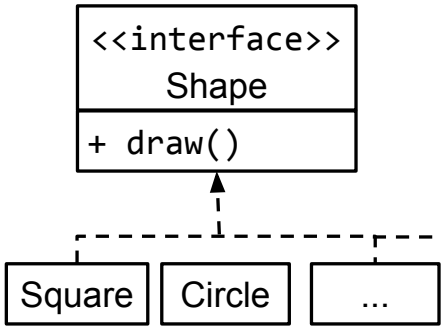

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Motivating example

We know that a square is a special kind of a rectangle. So, which of the following OO designs makes sense?

Design principles: Liskov substitution principle

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Is the subtype requirement fulfilled?

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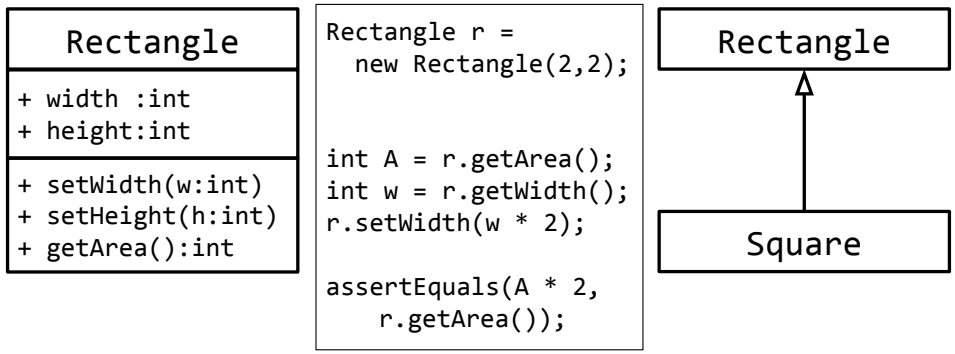

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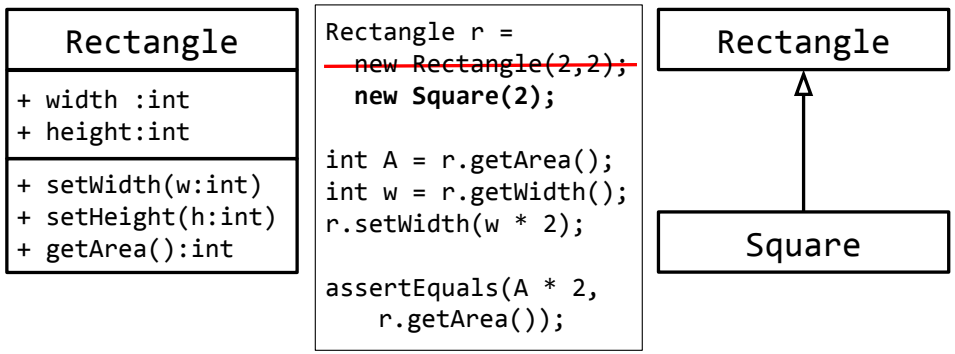

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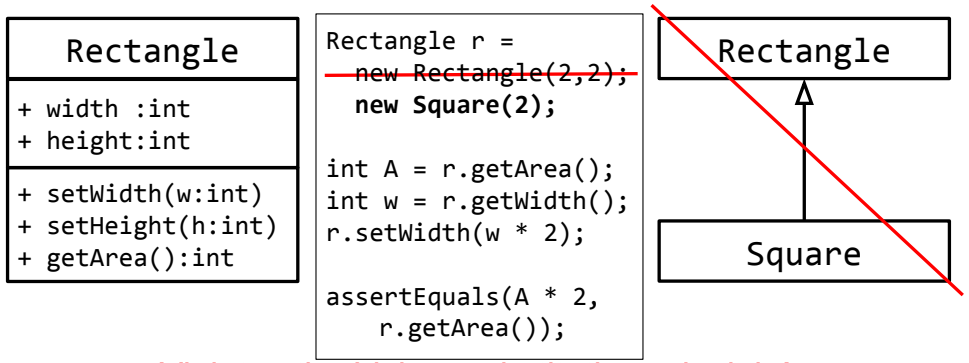

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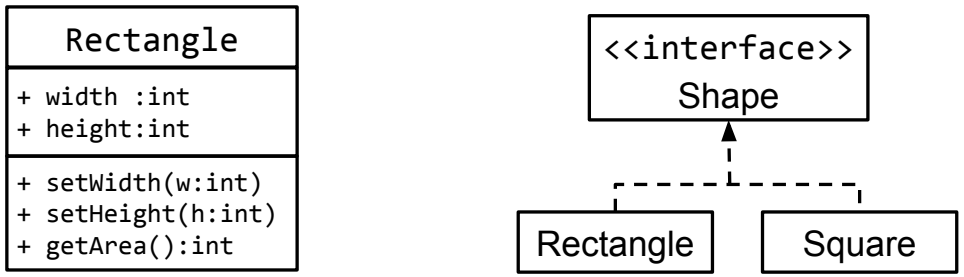

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