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# Lecture 6

## Interfaces and Polymorphism



# Outline

- [Transportation Example](#)
- [Intro to Interfaces](#)
- [Implementing Interfaces](#)
- [Polymorphism](#)



# Review: Association

- **Association** allows us to create a “knows about” relationships between different classes
- In association, one instance of a class knows about an instance of another *peer class* and can call methods on it
- Association is a consequences of delegating responsibilities to other classes
  - they are design choices, not Java constructs, and require no new syntax

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# Using What You Know

- Problem Statement:
  - Chloe and Karim are racing from their dorms to the CIT
    - whoever gets there first, wins!
    - catch: they don't get to choose their method of transportation
- Design a program that
  - assigns mode of transportation to each racer
  - starts the race
- For now, assume transportation options are Car and Bike

# Goal 1: Assign transportation to each racer

- Need transportation classes
  - App needs to give one to each racer
- Let's use **Car** and **Bike** classes
- Both classes will need to describe how the transportation moves
  - **Car** needs **drive** method
  - **Bike** needs **pedal** method



# Coding the project (1/4)

- Let's build transportation classes

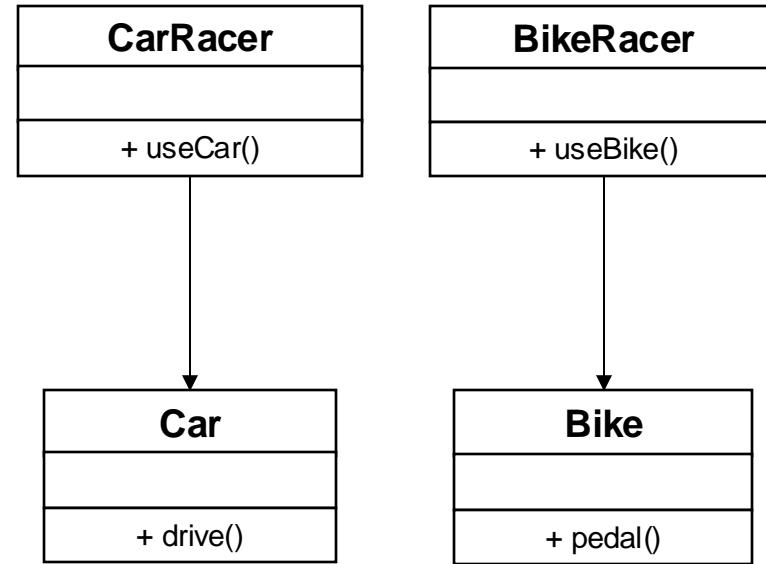
```
public class Car {  
  
    public Car() { // constructor  
        // code elided  
    }  
    public void drive() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
    // more methods elided  
}
```

```
public class Bike {  
  
    public Bike() { // constructor  
        // code elided  
    }  
    public void pedal() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
    // more methods elided  
}
```



# Goal 1: Assign transportation to each racer

- Need racer classes that will tell Chloe and Karim to use their type of transportation
  - CarRacer
  - BikeRacer
- What methods will we need? What capabilities should each -Racer class have?
- CarRacer needs to know how to use the car
  - write useCar() method: uses drive(), shields caller from knowing what all useCar() might need to do
- BikeRacer needs to know how to use the bike
  - write useBike() method: uses pedal(), shields caller from knowing what all useBike() might need to do



# Coding the project (2/4)

- Let's build the racer classes

```
public class CarRacer {  
    private Car car;  
  
    public CarRacer() {  
        this.car = new Car();  
    }  
  
    public void useCar() {  
        this.car.drive();  
        // other methods as needed  
    }  
    // more methods elided  
}
```

```
public class BikeRacer {  
    private Bike bike;  
  
    public BikeRacer() {  
        this.bike = new Bike();  
    }  
  
    public void useBike() {  
        this.bike.pedal();  
        // other methods as needed  
    }  
    // more methods elided  
}
```

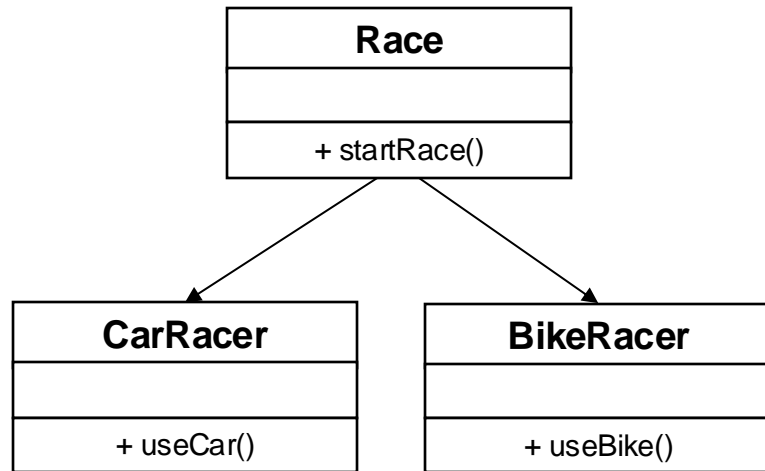
# Goal 2: Tell racers to start the race

- **Race** class is composed of two **Racers**
  - **App** instantiates **Race**
  - **Race** is the top-level logic class
- **Race** class will have **startRace()** method
  - **startRace()** tells each **Racer** to use their transportation
- **startRace()** gets called in **App**

**startRace:**

Tell **this.chloe** to **useCar**

Tell **this.karim** to **useBike**



# Coding the project (3/4)

- Given our **CarRacer** class, let's build the **Race** class

```
public class CarRacer {  
    private Car car;  
  
    public CarRacer() {  
        this.car = new Car();  
    }  
  
    public void useCar() {  
        this.car.drive();  
    }  
    // more methods elided  
}
```

Old code

// BikeRacer class elided

```
public class Race {  
    private CarRacer chloe;  
    private BikeRacer karim;  
  
    public Race() {  
        this.chloe = new CarRacer();  
        this.karim = new BikeRacer();  
    }  
  
    public void startRace() {  
        this.chloe.useCar();  
        this.karim.useBike();  
    }  
}
```

But how does a **Race** get created and how does **startRace()** get called?

# Coding the project (4/4)

```
public class App {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Race cs15Race = new Race();  
        cs15Race.startRace();  
    }  
  
}
```

// from the Race class on slide 11

```
public void startRace() {  
    this.chloe.useCar();  
    this.karim.useBike();  
}
```

- Now build the App class
- Program starts with main()
- main() calls startRace() on cs15Race
  - Could call startRace() in Race's constructor, however flow of control is more clear starting race in App class

# The Program

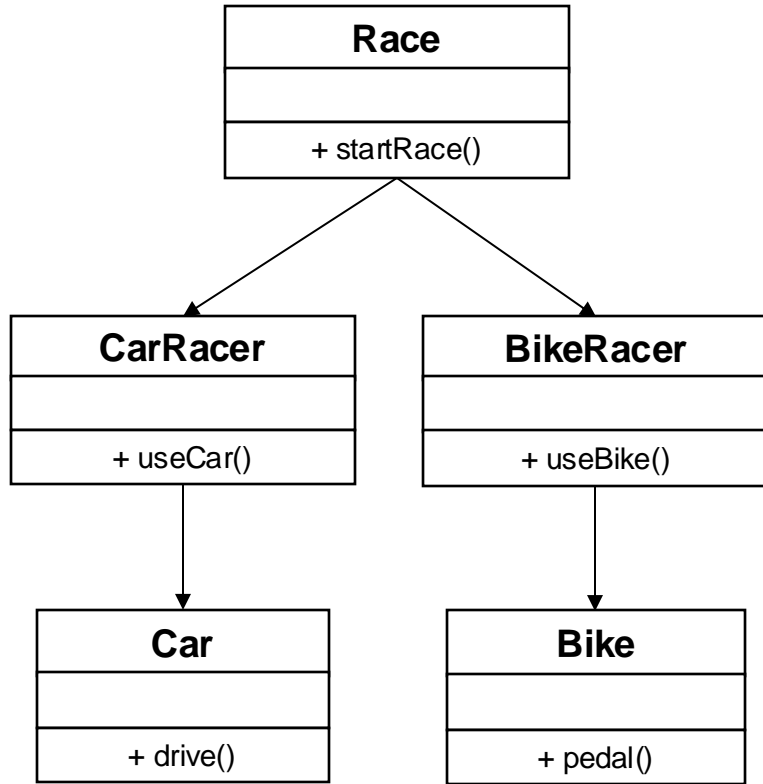
```
public class App {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Race cs15Race = new Race();  
        cs15Race.startRace();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Race {  
    private CarRacer chloe;  
    private BikeRacer karim;  
  
    public Race() {  
        this.chloe = new CarRacer();  
        this.karim = new BikeRacer();  
    }  
  
    public void startRace() {  
        this.chloe.useCar();  
        this.karim.useBike();  
    }  
}
```

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public class CarRacer {  
    private Car car;  
  
    public CarRacer() {  
        this.car = new Car();  
    }  
  
    public void useCar() {  
        this.car.drive();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class BikeRacer {  
    private Bike bike;  
  
    public BikeRacer() {  
        this.bike = new Bike();  
    }  
  
    public void useBike() {  
        this.bike.pedal();  
    }  
}
```

# What does our design look like?



- Java initializes an instance of **App**, calling **main**
  - **App** omitted from class diagram by convention
- **main** initializes an instance of **Race**
- **Race**'s constructor initializes **chloe**, a **CarRacer** and **karim**, a **BikeRacer**
  - **CarRacer**'s constructor initializes **car**, a **Car**
  - **BikeRacer**'s constructor initializes **bike**, a **Bike**

# Flow of control (1/2)

```
public class App {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Race cs15Race = new Race();  
        cs15Race.startRace();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Race {  
    private CarRacer chloe;  
    private BikeRacer karim;  
  
    public Race() {  
        this.chloe = new CarRacer();  
        this.karim = new BikeRacer();  
    }  
  
    public void startRace() {  
        this.chloe.useCar();  
        this.karim.useBike();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class CarRacer {  
    // constructor elided, creates car  
  
    public void useCar() {  
        this.car.drive();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class BikeRacer {  
    // constructor elided, creates bike  
  
    public void useBike() {  
        this.bike.pedal();  
    }  
}
```

- **main** initializes an instance of **Race**
- **Race**'s constructor initializes **chloe**, a **CarRacer** and **karim**, a **BikeRacer**
  - **CarRacer**'s constructor initializes **car**, a **Car**
  - **BikeRacer**'s constructor initializes **bike**, a **Bike**



# Flow of control (2/2)

```
public class App {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Race cs15Race = new Race();  
        cs15Race.startRace();  
    }  
}
```

---

```
public class Race {  
    // constructor elided; creates chloe and karim  
  
    public void startRace() {  
        this.chloe.useCar();  
        this.karim.useBike();  
    }  
}
```

---

```
public class CarRacer {  
    // constructor elided, creates car  
  
    public void useCar() {  
        this.car.drive();  
    }  
}
```

---

```
public class BikeRacer {  
    // constructor elided, creates bike  
  
    public void useBike() {  
        this.bike.pedal();  
    }  
}
```

- After **Race** constructs **chloe** and **karim**, **App** calls **cs15Race.startRace()**
- **chloe** calls **useCar()** and **karim** calls **useBike()**
- **useCar()** calls **this.car.drive()**
- **useBike()** calls **this.bike.pedal()**

# Can we do better?

# Things to think about

- Do we need two different **Racer** classes?
  - we want multiple instances of **Racers** that use different modes of transportation
    - both classes are very similar, they just use their own mode of transportation (**useCar** and **useBike**)
    - do we need 2 different classes that serve essentially the same purpose?
  - how can we simplify?

# Solution 1: Create one Racer class with multiple “useX” methods!

- Create one **Racer** class
  - define different **use** methods for each type of transportation
- **chloe** would be an instance of **Racer** and in **startRace** we would call:  
  
`this.chloe.useCar(new Car());`
  - **Car**'s **drive()** method will be invoked
- Good: only one **Racer** class
- But: **Racer** has to aggregate a **use...()** method to accommodate every kind of transportation!

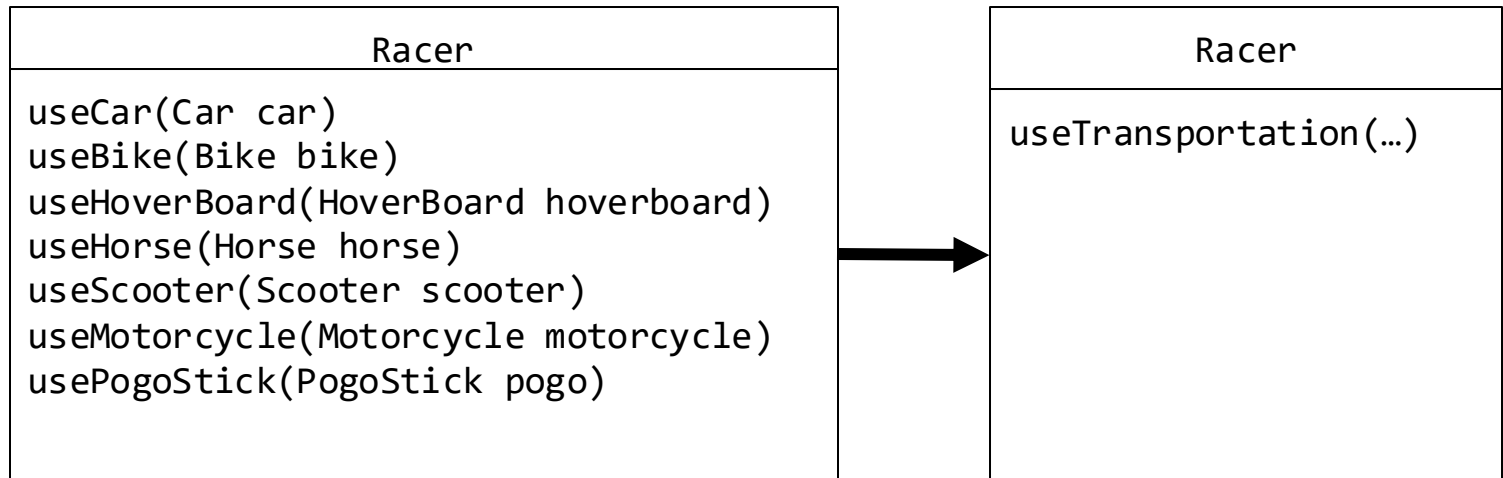
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    public Racer(){  
        // constructor  
    }  
  
    public void useCar(Car myCar){  
        myCar.drive();  
    }  
  
    public void useBike(Bike myBike){  
        myBike.pedal();  
    }  
}
```

# Solution 1 Drawbacks

- Now imagine all the CS15 TAs join the race and there are 10 different modes of transportation
- Writing these similar `useX()` methods is a lot of work for you, as the developer, and it is an inefficient coding style

```
public class Racer {  
  
    public Racer() {  
        // constructor  
    }  
    public void useCar(Car myCar){//code elided}  
    public void useBike(Bike myBike){//code elided}  
    public void useHoverboard(Hoverboard myHb){//code elided}  
    public void useHorse(Horse myHorse){//code elided}  
    public void useScooter(Scooter myScooter){//code elided}  
    public void useMotorcycle(Motorcycle myMc) {//code elided}  
    public void usePogoStick(PogoStick myPogo){//code elided}  
    // And more...  
}
```

# Is there another solution?



- Can we go from left to right?

# Outline

- Transportation Example
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# Interfaces and Polymorphism

- In order to simplify code, we need to learn:
  - Interfaces
  - Polymorphism
  - we'll see how this new code works shortly:

```
public class Racer {  
  
    // previous code elided  
    public void useTransportation(  
        Transporter transport) {  
        transport.move();  
    }  
}  
  
public interface Transporter {  
    public void move();  
}
```

```
public class Car implements Transporter {  
  
    public Car() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
    public void drive(){  
        // code elided  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void move() {  
        this.drive();  
    }  
    // more methods elided  
}
```



# Interfaces: Spot the Similarities

- What do cars and bikes have in common?
- What do cars and bikes *not* have in common?



# Cars vs. Bikes

## Cars

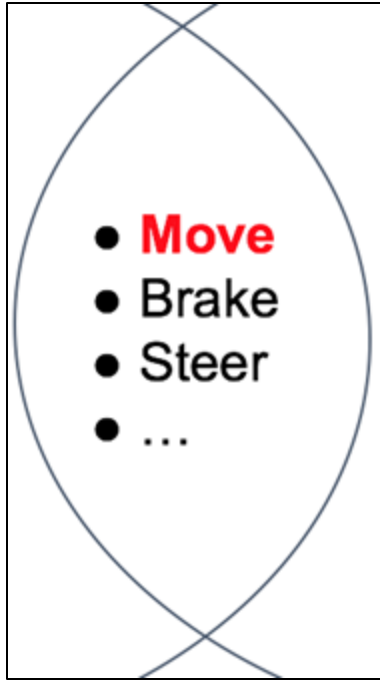
- Play radio
- Turn off/on headlights
- Turn off/on turn signal
- Lock/unlock doors
- ...

- Move
- Brake
- Steer
- ...

## Bikes

- Drop kickstand
- Change gears
- ...

# Digging deeper into the similarities



- How similar are they when they move?
  - do they move in same way?
- Not very similar
  - cars drive
  - bikes pedal
- Both can move, but in different ways
- We prefer the more general move to the previous `useCar()`, `useBike()`

# Can we model this in code?

- Many real-world objects have several broad functional similarities
  - cars and bikes can move
  - cars and laptops can play radio
  - phones and Teslas can be charged
- Take **Car** and **Bike** classes
  - how can their similar functionalities get enumerated in one place?
  - how can their broad relationship get modeled through code?
- Note: cars and bikes serve a similar purpose while phones and Teslas don't – we only care that they share *some similar functionality* (but potentially quite different implementations)

## Car

- move()
  - brake()
  - steer()
- 
- playRadio()
  - lockDoors()
  - unlockDoors()

## Bike

- move()
  - brake()
  - steer()
- 
- dropKickstand()
  - changeGears()

**\*Abbreviated class diagram**

# Introducing Interfaces (1/2)

- **Interface** groups declarations of similar capabilities of different classes together
- Looks like a totally stripped-down class declaration, with just method declarations:
- ```
public interface Transporter {  
    public void move();  
    // other common methods (brake, steer...)  
}
```
- **Cars** and **Bikes** can “implement” a **Transporter** interface
  - they can transport people from one place to another
  - they “**act as**” transporters
    - can move (and brake, steer...)
  - for this lecture, interfaces are **green** and classes that implement them are **pink**

## Car

- move()
  - brake()
  - steer()
- 
- playRadio()
  - lockDoors()
  - unlockDoors()

## Bike

- move()
  - brake()
  - steer()
- 
- dropKickstand()
  - changeGears()

# Introducing Interfaces (2/2)

- Interfaces are contracts that classes agree to
- If a class chooses to **implement** a given interface, it must define all methods declared in interface
  - if a class doesn't implement one of interface's methods, the compiler "raises errors"
    - later we'll discuss strong motivations for this "contract enforcement"
- Interfaces only **declare**, don't **define** their methods – classes that implement the interfaces provide definitions/implementations
  - interfaces **only** care every class that implements the interface must define the methods declared in the interface – not **how** they are defined
- Interfaces model similarities while ensuring consistency
  - what does this mean?

# Models Similarities while Ensuring Consistency (1/3)

Let's break that down into two parts:

1) Model Similarities

2) Ensure Consistency

# Models Similarities while Ensuring Consistency (2/3)

- How does this help our program?
- We know **Cars** and **Bikes** both need to move
  - i.e., should both have some **move()** method
  - let compiler know that too!
- Make the **Transporter** interface
  - what methods should the **Transporter** interface declare? **Similarities!**
    - **move()** (plus **brake()**, **steer()**...)
  - compiler **ensures consistency**--doesn't care **how** method is defined, just that it **has been** defined
  - general tip: methods that interface declares **should model functionality that all implementing classes share**



# Declaring an Interface (1/3)

```
public interface Transporter {  
    public void move();  
    //other methods  
}
```

- Declare it as **interface** rather than class
- Declare methods – the contract
- In this case, we show only one required method: **move()**
- All classes that sign contract (implement this interface) **must define actual implementation** of any declared methods

# Declaring an Interface (2/3)

```
public interface Transporter {  
    public void move();  
    //other methods  
}
```

- Interfaces are only contracts, not classes that can be instantiated
- Interfaces can only declare methods – not define them
- Notice: method declaration end with **semicolons**, not curly braces – no code!

# Declaring an Interface (3/3)

```
public interface Transporter {  
    public void move();  
    //other methods  
}
```

- That's all there is to it!
- Interfaces, just like classes, have their own .java file. This file would be **Transporter.java**

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# Implementing an Interface (1/6)

```
public class Car implements
Transporter {

    public Car() {
        // constructor
    }

    public void drive() {
        // code for driving car
    }

}
```

- Let's modify **Car** to implement **Transporter**
  - declare that **Car** “acts-as” **Transporter**
- Add **implements Transporter** to class declaration
- Promises compiler that **Car** will define all methods declared in **Transporter** interface
  - i.e., **move()**

# Implementing an Interface (2/6)

```
public class Car implements
Transporter {

    public Car() {
        // constructor
    }

    public void drive() {
        // code for driving car
    }

}
```

“Error: `Car` does not override  
method `move()` in `Transporter`” \*

- Will this code compile?
  - nope :(
- Never implemented `move()` –  
`drive()` doesn't suffice.  
Compiler will complain  
accordingly

\*Note: the full error message is “`Car` is not abstract and does not override abstract  
method `move()` in `Transporter`.” We'll get more into the meaning of abstract in a later lecture.

# Implementing an Interface (3/6)

```
public class Car implements
Transporter {

    public Car() {
        // constructor
    }

    public void drive() {
        // code for driving car
    }

    @Override
    public void move() {
        this.drive();
    }

}
```

- Next: honor contract by defining a `move()` method
- Method ***signature*** (name and number/type of parameters) and return type ***must match how it's declared in interface***

# Implementing an Interface (4/6)

What does `@Override` mean?

```
public class Car implements
Transporter {

    public Car() {
        // constructor
    }

    public void drive() {
        // code for driving car
    }

    @Override
    public void move() {
        this.drive();
    }

}
```

- Include `@Override` right above the method signature
- `@Override` is an annotation – a signal to the compiler (and to anyone reading your code)
  - allows compiler to enforce that interface actually has method declared
  - more explanation of `@Override` in next lecture
- Annotations, like comments, have **no effect on how code behaves** at runtime



# Implementing an Interface (5/6)

```
public class Car implements Transporter {  
  
    // previous code elided  
  
    public void drive() {  
        // code for driving car  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void move() {  
        this.drive();  
        this.brake();  
        this.drive();  
    }  
  
    public void brake() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
}
```

- Defining interface method is like defining any other method
- Definition can be as simple or complex as it needs to be
- Ex.: Let's modify **Car**'s move method to include braking
- What will instance of **Car** do if **move()** gets called on it?

# Implementing an Interface (6/6)

- As with signing multiple contracts, classes can implement multiple interfaces
  - “I signed my rent agreement, so I'm a renter, but I also signed my employment contract, so I'm an employee. I'm the same person.”
  - what if I wanted **Car** to be able to change color as well?
  - create a **Colorable** interface
  - add that interface to **Car**'s class declaration
- Class implementing interfaces must define **every single method** from each interface

```
public interface Colorable {  
  
    public void setColor(Color c);  
    public Color getColor();  
  
}
```

```
public class Car implements Transporter, Colorable  
{  
  
    public Car(){ // body elided }  
    // @Override annotation elided for each method  
    public void drive(){ // body elided }  
    public void move(){ // body elided }  
    public void setColor(Color c){ // body elided }  
    public Color getColor(){ // body elided }  
  
}
```

# Modeling Similarities While Ensuring Consistency (3/3)

- Interfaces are **formal contracts** and **ensure consistency**
  - compiler will check to ensure all methods declared in interface are defined
- Can trust that any instance of class that implements **Transporter** can **move()**
- Will know how 2 classes are related if both implement **Transporter**

# TopHat Question

**Join Code: 316062**

Can you instantiate an interface as you can a class?

- A. Yes
- B. No

# TopHat Question

**Join Code: 316062**

Can an interface define code for its methods?

- A. Yes
- B. No

# TopHat Question

Join Code: 316062

Which color-coded segment of this program is **incorrect**?

```
A. public interface Colorable {  
    public Color getColor() {  
B.         return Color.PINK;  
        }  
    }  
C. public class Rectangle implements Colorable {  
    // constructor elided  
D.    @Override  
    public Color getColor() {  
E.         return Color.RED;  
    }  
}
```

# TopHat Question

Join Code: 316062

Given the following interface:

```
public interface Clickable {  
    public void click();  
}
```

Which of the following would work as an implementation of the `Clickable` interface? (don't worry about what `changeXPosition` does)

- A. 

```
@Override  
public double click() {  
    return this.changeXPosition(100.0);  
}
```
- B. 

```
@Override  
public void click(double xPosition) {  
    this.changeXPosition(xPosition);  
}
```
- C. 

```
@Override  
public void clickIt() {  
    this.changeXPosition(100.0);  
}
```
- D. 

```
@Override  
public void click() {  
    this.changeXPosition(100.0);  
}
```

# Back to the CIT Race

- Let's make transportation classes use an interface

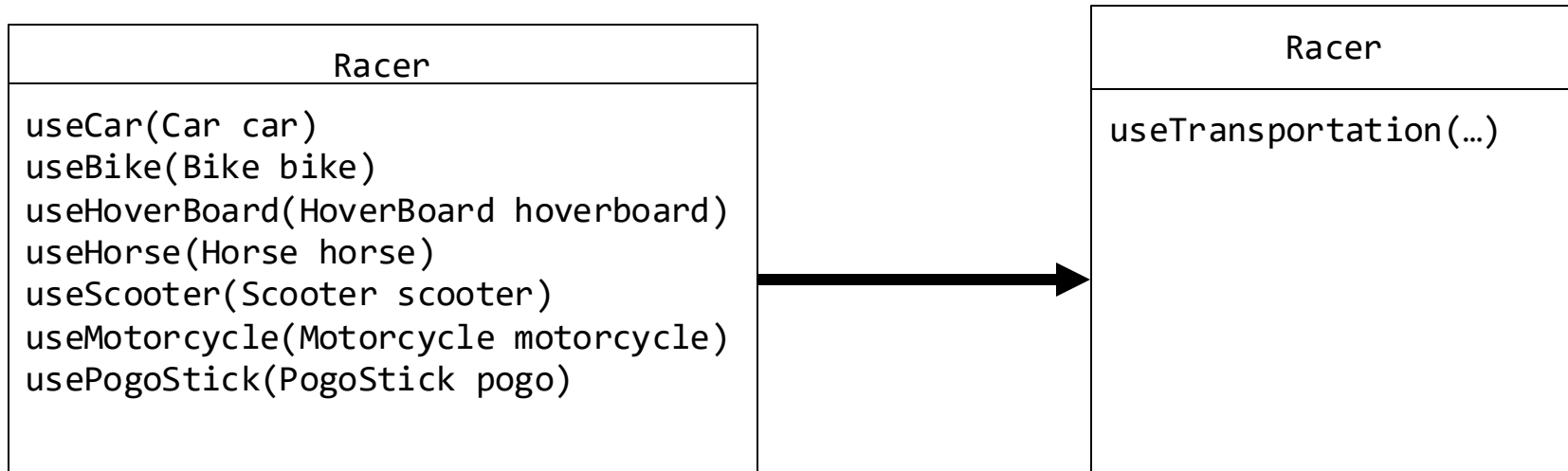
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        // code elided  
    }  
    public void drive() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void move() {  
        this.drive();  
    }  
  
    // more methods elided  
}
```

```
public class Bike implements Transporter {  
    public Bike() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
    public void pedal() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void move() {  
        this.pedal();  
    }  
  
    // more methods elided  
}
```



# Leveraging Interfaces

- Given that there's a **guarantee** that anything that implements **Transporter** knows how to **move**, how can it be leveraged to create single **useTransportation(...)** method?



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# Introducing Polymorphism

- Poly = many, morph = forms
- A way of coding **generically**
  - way of referencing multiple classes sharing abstract functionality as acting as one generic type
    - cars and bikes can both `move()` → refer to them as classes of type `Transporter`
    - phones and Teslas can both `getCharged()` → refer to them as class of type `Chargeable`, i.e., classes that implement `Chargeable` interface
    - cars and boomboxes can both `playRadio()` → refer to them as class of type `RadioPlayer`
- How do we write one generic `useTransportation(...)` method?

# What would this look like in code?

```
public class Racer {  
  
    // previous code elided  
    public void useTransportation(Transporter transportation) {  
        transportation.move();  
    }  
}
```



*This is polymorphism!  
**transportation** instance  
passed in could be instance of  
**Car**, **Bike**, etc., i.e., of any class  
that **implements** the interface*

# Let's break this down

There are two parts to implementing polymorphism:

1. Actual vs. Declared Type
2. Method resolution

*what's the **actual vs. declared type** of any transportation instance passed in?*

```
public class Racer {
```

```
// previous code elided
```

```
public void useTransportation(Transporter transportation) {  
    transportation.move();  
}
```

```
}
```

*which **move()** is executed?*

# Actual vs. Declared Type (1/2)

- We first show polymorphic assignment (typically not useful by itself) and then polymorphic parameter passing
- Consider following polymorphic assignment statement:  
`Transporter chloesCar = new Car();`
- We say “`chloesCar`” is of type `Transporter`,” but we instantiate a new `Car` and assign it to `chloesCar`... is that legal?
  - doesn't Java do “strict type checking”? (type on LHS = type on RHS)
  - how can instances of `Car` get stored in variable of type `Transporter`?

# Actual vs. Declared Type (2/2)

- Can treat **Car/Bike** instances as instances of type **Transporter**
- **Car** is the **actual type**
  - Java compiler will look in this class for the definition of any method called on **transportation**
- **Transporter** is the **declared type**
  - compiler will limit any caller so it can only call methods on instances that are declared as instances of type **Transporter** AND the methods are declared in that interface
- If **Car** defines **playRadio()** method, is this correct?  
**transportation.playRadio()**

```
Transporter transportation = new Car();  
transportation.playRadio();
```

Nope. The **playRadio()** method is not declared in **Transporter** interface, therefore compiler does not recognize it as a valid method call

# Is this legal?

Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();



Transporter chloesCar = new Car();



Transporter chloesRadio = new Radio();



**Radio** wouldn't implement **Transporter**. Since **Radio** cannot “act as” type **Transporter**, you cannot treat it as of type **Transporter**



# Only Declared Type's Methods Can be Used

- What methods must **Car** and **Bike** have in common?
  - **move()**
- How do we know that?
  - they implement **Transporter**
    - guarantees that they have **move()**, plus whatever else is appropriate to that class
- Think of **Transporter** like the “lowest common denominator”
  - it's what all classes of type **Transporter** will have in common
  - only **move()** may be called if an instance is passed as the declared interface type

```
class Bike implements Transporter{  
  
    public void move();  
    public void dropKickstand();  
    // etc.  
}
```

```
class Car implements Transporter{  
  
    public void move();  
    public void playRadio();  
    // etc.  
}
```

# Motivations for Polymorphism

- Many different kinds of transportation but only care about their shared capability
  - i.e., how they move
- Polymorphism lets programmers sacrifice specificity for generality
  - treat any number of classes as their lowest common denominator
  - limited to methods declared in that denominator
    - can only use methods declared in `Transporter`
- For this program, that sacrifice is ok!
  - `Racer` doesn't care if an instance of `Car` can `playRadio()` or if an instance of `Bike` can `dropKickstand()`
  - only method `Racer` wants to call is `move()`

# Polymorphism in Parameters

- What are implications of this method declaration?

```
public void useTransportation(Transporter transportation) {  
    // code elided  
}
```

- `useTransportation()` will accept any class that implements `Transporter`
- we say that `Transporter` is the (declared) type of the parameter
- we can pass in an instance of any class that implements the `Transporter` interface
- `useTransportation()` can only call methods declared in `Transporter`

# Is this legal?

```
public void useTransportation(Transporter transportation) {  
    // code elided  
}
```

```
Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();  
this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);
```



```
Car chloesCar = new Car();  
this.chloe.useTransportation(chloesCar);
```



```
Radio chloesRadio = new Radio();  
this.chloe.useTransportation(chloesRadio);
```



Even though  
chloesCar is  
declared as a Car,  
not a Transporter,  
the compiler can still  
verify that Car  
implements  
Transporter

A Radio wouldn't implement Transporter. Therefore,  
useTransportation() cannot treat it as a type of  
Transporter

# Let's look at `move()` (1/2)

- Why call `move()`?
- What `move()` method gets executed?

```
public class Racer {  
  
    // previous code elided  
    public void useTransportation(Transporter transportation) {  
        transportation.move();  
    }  
  
}
```

- Since the only method declared in `Transporter` is `move()`, all we will ever ask objects of type `Transporter` to do is `move()`

# Let's look at `move()` (2/2)

- Only have access to instance of type `Transporter`
  - cannot call `transportation.drive()` or `transportation.pedal()`
    - that's okay, because all that's needed is `move()`
  - limited to the methods declared in `Transporter`

# Method Resolution: Which `move()` is executed?

- Consider this section of code in `Race` class:

```
Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();  
this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);
```

- Remember what `useTransportation()` method looks like:

```
public void useTransportation(Transporter transportation) {  
    transportation.move();  
}
```

What is “actual type” of `transportation` in  
`this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);` ?

# Method Resolution (1/4)

```
public class Race {  
  
    private Racer karim;  
    // previous code elided  
  
    public void startRace() {  
        Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();  
        this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Racer {  
    // previous code elided  
  
    public void useTransportation(Transporter  
transportation) {  
        transportation.move();  
    }  
}
```

- **Bike** is **actual type**
  - **karim** was passed an instance of **Bike** as the argument
- **Transporter** is **declared type**
  - **Bike** instance is treated as type of **Transporter**
- So... what happens in **transportation.move()**?
  - What **move()** method gets used?



# Method Resolution (2/4)

```
public class Race {  
    // previous code elided  
    public void startRace() {  
        Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();  
        this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Racer {  
    // previous code elided  
    public void useTransportation(Transporter  
        transportation) {  
        transportation.move();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Bike implements Transporter {  
    // previous code elided  
    public void move() {  
        this.pedal();  
    }  
}
```

- `karim` is a `Racer`
- `Bike`'s `move()` method gets used
- Why?
  - `Bike` is the actual type of this `Transporter`
    - compiler will execute methods defined in `Bike` class
  - `Transporter` is the declared type
    - compiler limits methods that can be called to those declared in `Transporter` interface

# Method Resolution (3/4)

```
public class Race {  
    // previous code elided  
    public void startRace() {  
        Transporter karimsCar = new Car();  
        this.karim.useTransportation(karimsCar);  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Racer {  
    // previous code elided  
    public void useTransportation(Transporter  
        transportation) {  
        transportation.move();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Car implements Transporter {  
    // previous code elided  
    public void move() {  
        this.drive();  
    }  
}
```

- What if **karim** received an instance of **Car**?
  - What **move()** method would get called then?
    - **Car's!**

# Method Resolution (4/4)

- `move()` method is bound dynamically – the compiler does not know which `move()` method to use until program runs
  - same “`transport.move()`” line of code could be executed indefinite number of times with different method resolution each time
  - this method resolution is an example of **dynamic binding**, which directly contrasts the normal **static binding**, in which method gets resolved at compile time

# TopHat Question

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Given the following class:

```
public class Laptop implements Typeable, Clickable { // two interfaces
    public void type() {
        // code elided
    }
    public void click() {
        // code elided
    }
}
```

Given that `Typeable` has declared the `type()` method and `Clickable` has declared the `click()` method, which of the following calls is **valid**?

- A. `Typeable macBook = new Typeable();`  
`macBook.type();`
- B. `Clickable macBook = new Clickable();`  
`macBook.type();`
- C. `Typeable macBook = new Laptop();`  
`macBook.click();`
- D. `Clickable macBook = new Laptop();`  
`macBook.click();`

# Why does polymorphism work when calling methods?

- **Declared type** and **actual type** work together
  - **declared type** keeps things generic
    - can reference many classes using one generic type
  - **actual type** ensures specificity
    - when calling declared type's method on an instance, the **actual** code that is called is the code defined in the **actual** type's class (dynamic binding)



Bender interface  
declares the bend()  
method for all  
Benders

**Declared**



Katara, an instance of  
WaterBender, defines  
bend() to water bend

**Actual**

# When to use polymorphism?

- Do you use only functionality declared in interface OR do you need specialized functionality from implementing class?
  - if only using functionality from the interface → polymorphism!
  - if need specialized methods from implementing class, don't use polymorphism
- If defining `goOnScenicDrive()`...
  - want to put `topDown()` on `Convertible`, but not every `Car` can put top down
    - don't use polymorphism, not every `Car` can `goOnScenicDrive()` i.e., can't code generically

# Why use interfaces?

- Contractual enforcement
  - will guarantee that class has certain capabilities
    - `Car` implements `Transporter`, therefore it must know how to `move()`
- Polymorphism
  - can have implementation-agnostic classes and methods
    - know that these capabilities exist, don't care how they're implemented
    - allows for more generic programming
      - `useTransportation()` can take in any instance of type `Transporter`
      - can easily extend this program to use any form of transportation, with minimal changes to existing code
    - a tool for extensible programming
      - how?

# Why is this important?

- Using more than 2 methods of transportation?
- Old Design:
  - need more classes → more specialized methods (`useCar()`, `useBike()`, `useRollerblades()`, etc.)
- New Design:
  - as long as the new classes implement `Transporter`, `Racer` doesn't care what transportation it has been given
  - **don't need to change `Racer`!**
    - less work for you!
    - just add more transportation classes that implement `Transporter`
    - “need to know” principle, aka “separation of concerns”



# The Program

```
public class App {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Race cs15Race = new Race();
        cs15Race.startRace();
    }
}

public class Race {
    private Racer chloe, karim;

    public Race() {
        this.chloe = new Racer();
        this.karim = new Racer();
    }

    public void startRace() {
        Transporter chloesCar = new Car();
        this.chloe.useTransportation(chloesCar);
        Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();
        this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);
    }
}

public interface Transporter {
    public void move();
}
```

```
public class Racer {
    public Racer() {}

    public void useTransportation(Transporter
transportation) {
        transportation.move();
    }
}

public class Car implements Transporter {
    public Car() {}
    public void drive() {
        // code elided
    }
    public void move() { // @Override elided
        this.drive();
    }
}

public class Bike implements Transporter {
    public Bike() {}
    public void pedal() {
        // code elided
    }
    public void move() { // @Override elided
        this.pedal();
    }
}
```

# Flow of Control (1/2)

```
public class App {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Race cs15Race = new Race();  
        cs15Race.startRace();  
    }  
}  
  
public class Race {  
    private Racer chloe, karim;  
  
    public Race() {  
        this.chloe = new Racer();  
        this.karim = new Racer();  
    }  
  
    public void startRace() {  
        Transporter chloesCar = new Car();  
        this.chloe.useTransportation(chloesCar);  
        Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();  
        this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);  
    }  
}
```

How would this program run?

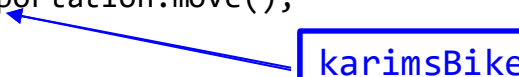
- Program begins with `main` method of `App` class
- `main` method initializes `cs15Race`, an instance of `Race`
- `Race`'s constructor initializes `chloe`, a `Racer`, and `karim`, a `Racer`
- `main` method calls `cs15Race.startRace()`
- `startRace()` calls:  
    `Transporter chloesCar = new Car();`  
    `this.chloe.useTransportation(chloesCar);`  
    `Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();`  
    `this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);`

# Flow of Control (2/2)

- `useTransportation(chloesCar)` calls `Car`'s `move()` method which calls `this.drive()`
- `useTransportation(karimsBike)` calls `Bike`'s `move()` method which calls `this.pedal()`

```
public void startRace() {  
    Transporter chloesCar = new Car();  
    this.chloe.useTransportation(chloesCar);  
    Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();  
    this.karim.useTransportation(karimsBike);  
}
```

```
public class Racer {  
    public Racer() {}  
  
    public void useTransportation(Transporter  
transportation) {  
        transportation.move();  
    }  
}
```



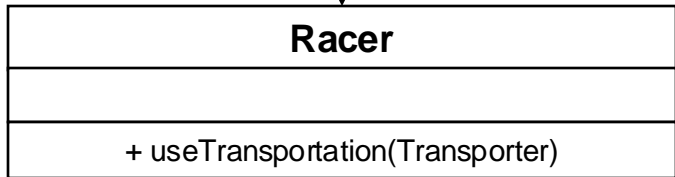
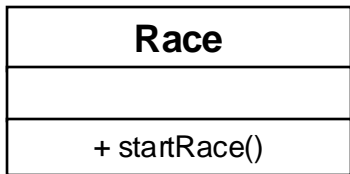
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```
public interface Transporter {  
    public void move();  
}
```

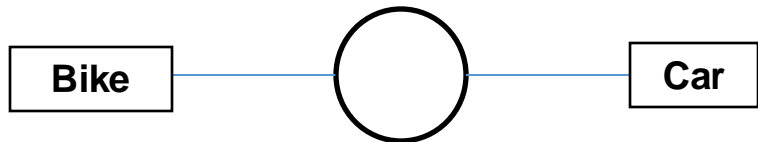
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public class Car implements Transporter {  
    public Car() {}  
    public void drive() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
    public void move() {  
        this.drive();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Bike implements Transporter {  
    public Bike() {}  
    public void pedal() {  
        // code elided  
    }  
    public void move() {  
        this.pedal();  
    }  
}
```

# What does our new design look like? (1/2)

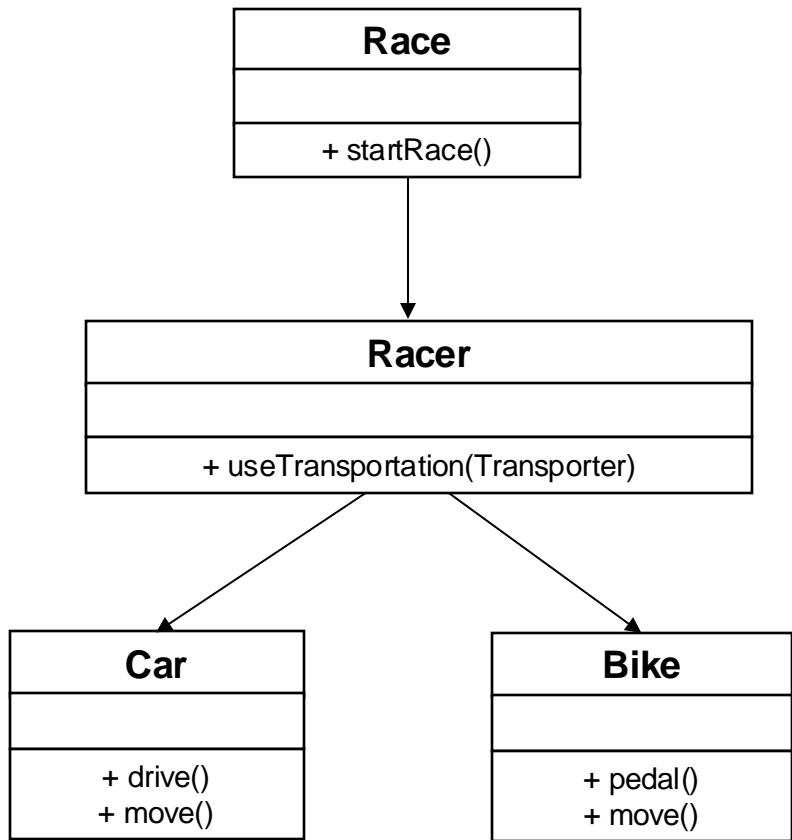


Transporter



- `main` method instantiates `cs15Race`, an instance of **Race**
  - **App** omitted from class diagram
- **Race**'s constructor initializes two **Racers** – `karim` and `chloe`
  - **Race** is composed of two **Racers**
- `startRace()` instantiates `chloesCar` and `karimsBike`
  - these are local variables, and do not exist on the class diagram
- In interface diagram, can represent relationship between our vehicles and **Transporter**

# What does our new design look like? (2/2)



- In a larger version of this program, we may want each **Racer** to send more messages to their **Transporter**
  - we could store an instance variable of declared type **Transporter**
- Now, **Car** and **Bike** are peer objects of the **Racer** class

# Modified Program

```
public class App {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Race cs15Race = new Race();  
        cs15Race.startRace();  
    }  
}
```

---

```
public class Race {  
    private Racer chloe, karim;  
  
    public Race() {  
        Transporter chloesCar = new Car();  
        this.chloe = new Racer(chloesCar);  
        Transporter karimsBike = new Bike();  
        this.karim = new Racer(karimsBike);  
    }  
    public void startRace() {  
        this.chloe.useTransportation();  
        this.karim.useTransportation();  
    }  
}
```

---

```
public interface Transporter {  
    public void move();  
    // other methods of Transporters elided  
}
```

```
public class Racer {
```

```
    private Transporter transporter;
```

```
    public Racer(Transporter myTransporter) {  
        this.transporter = myTransporter;  
    }
```

```
    public void useTransportation() {  
        this.transporter.move();  
    }
```

```
    public void returnVehicle() {  
        // code elided - will call a method on  
        // transporter here  
    }  
}
```

---

```
public class Car implements Transporter {  
    // omitted, same as before  
}
```

---

```
public class Bike implements Transporter {  
    // omitted, same as before  
}
```

# In Summary

- Interfaces are contracts, can't be instantiated
  - force classes that implement them to define specified methods
- Polymorphism allows for generic code
  - treats multiple classes as their “generic type” while still allowing specific method implementations to be executed
- Polymorphism + Interfaces
  - generic coding
- Why is it helpful?
  - you want to be the laziest (but cleanest) programmer you can be

# Announcements

- TicTacToe released today (9/24)
  - Early hand-in: 9/26
  - On-time hand in: 9/28
  - Late hand-in: 9/30
- Class Relationships Section
  - Mini Assignment due before section
  - Fill out the form linked at the bottom of handout for credit
- CS15 Mentorship
  - Officially begun!
- T-Shirt Contest!!!!
  - Designs due **next Tuesday before Lecture!!** (looking at you RISD students :D)



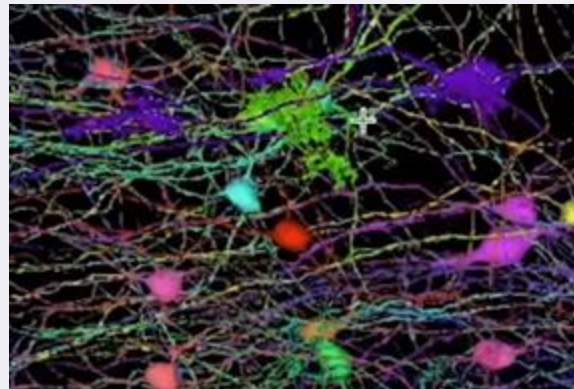
# AI II: Intro to Neural Networks

Topics in Socially Responsible Computing

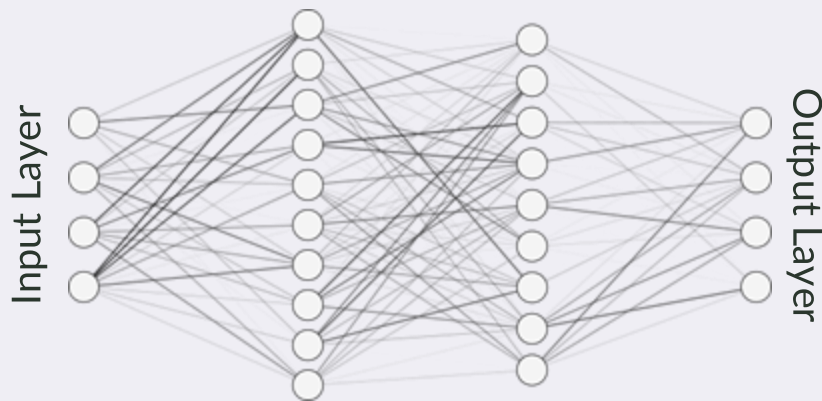


# What is a Neural Network?

- A type of computer system inspired by the human brain
- Made up of layers of interconnected nodes called neurons
- Successive layers allow for recognition of more complex features
- Learn and make decisions by recognizing patterns in data



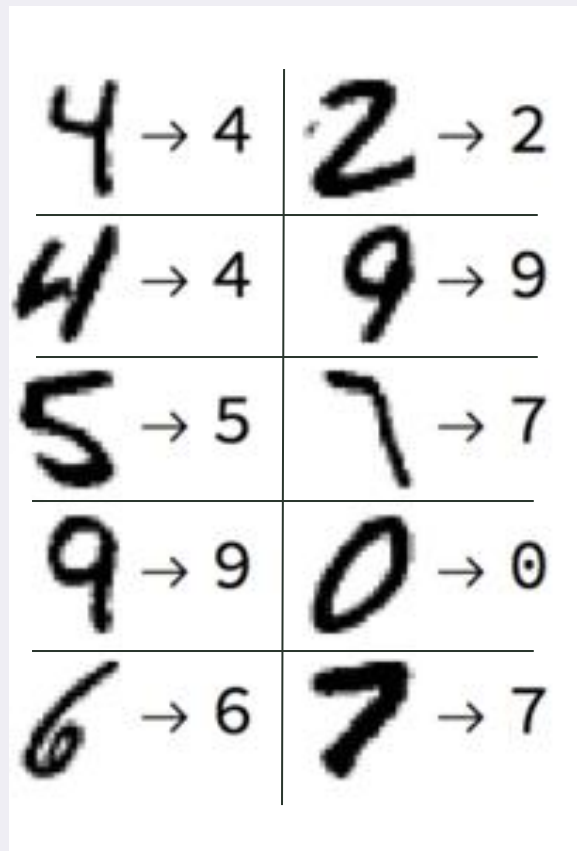
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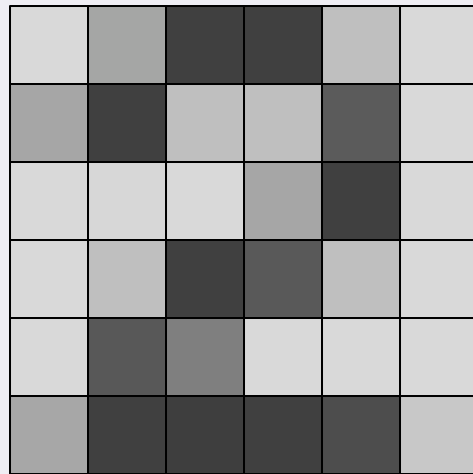
# Image Classification

- Neural networks are great for image recognition...
- *Example: handwritten digit classification!*
- Can our neural network identify which number is represented in the images of these handwritten digits...?



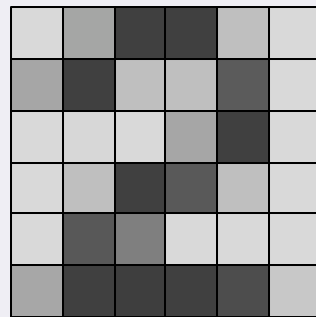
# How do we represent an image?

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# What is a neuron?

- A **neuron** holds a number in a neural network, representing information like pixel values or processed data
- The **input layer** has neurons that store pixel grayscale values (0 = black, 1 = white, with shades of gray in between)
- In this example, the input layer has **36 neurons** (for a 6x6 grid)



Input Layer (36 neurons)

0.85

0.65

0.25

0.25

⋮

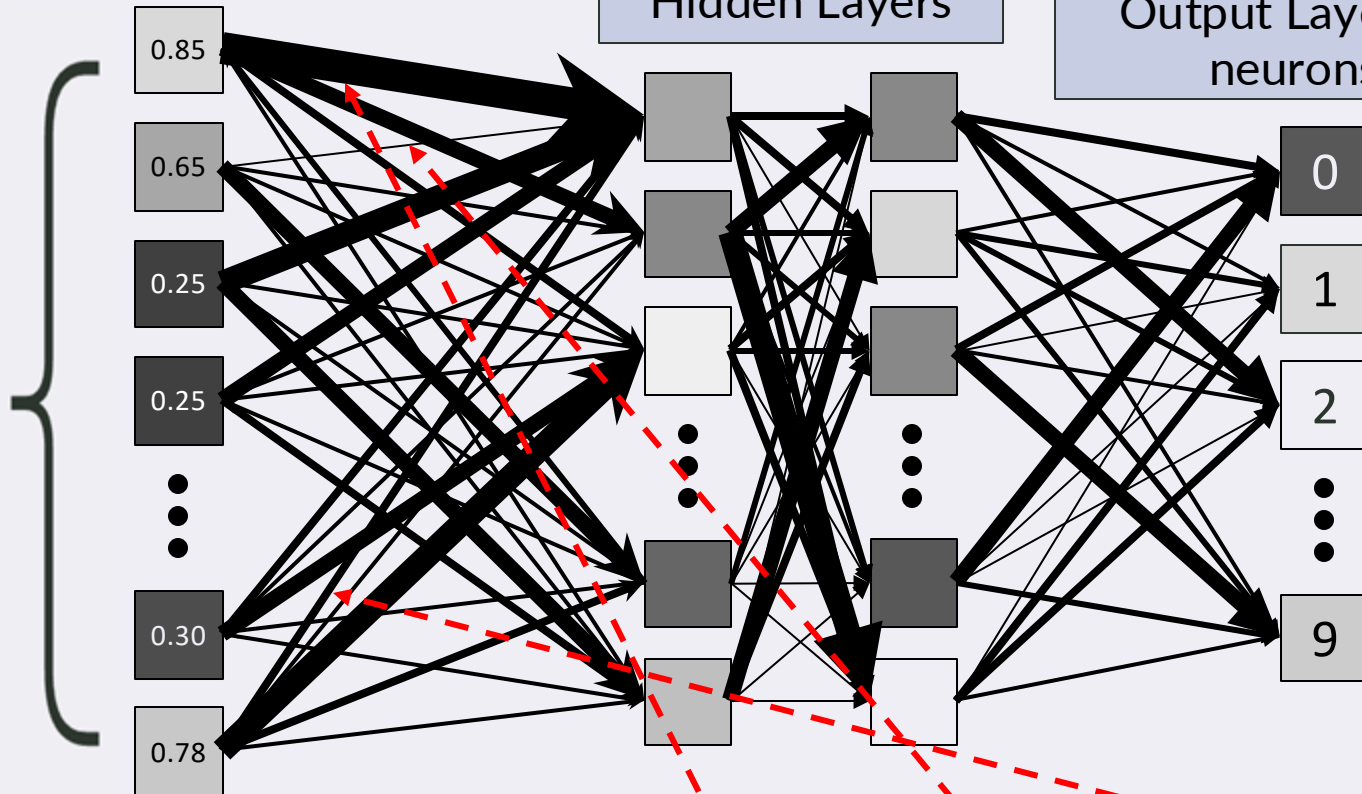
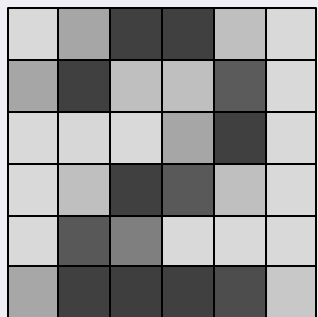
0.30

0.78

Input Layer (36 neurons)

Hidden Layers

Output Layer (10 neurons)



$$\text{activation value} = \phi (w_0 i_0 + w_1 i_1 + \dots + w_{35} i_{35}) = \phi ((0.90)(0.85) + (0.1)(0.65) + \dots (0.45)(0.78))$$

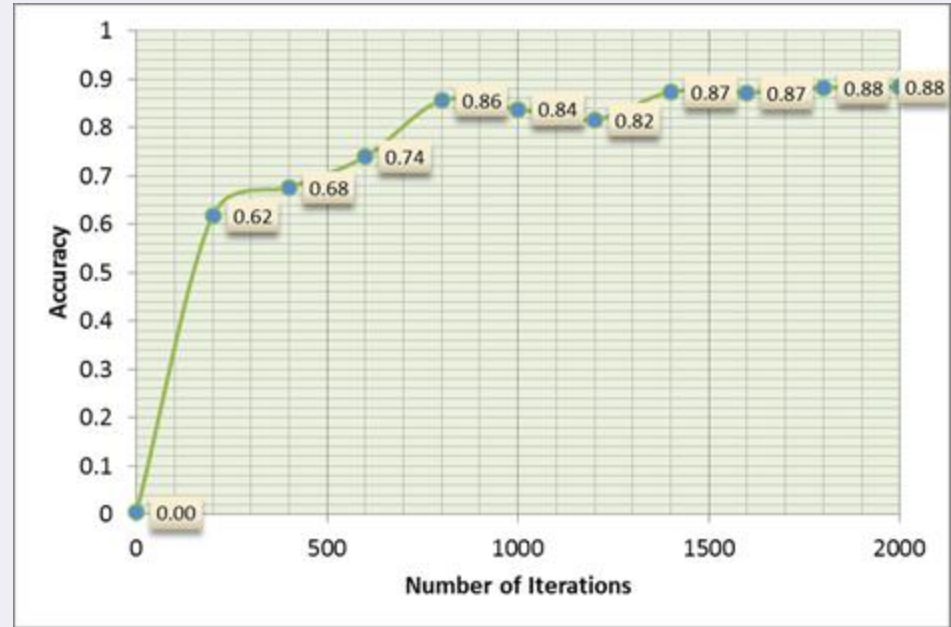
# How does the network learn? (supervised learning)

## Training process:

1. Each piece of training data is labeled with the correct output

2. Input data processed

through the



# For more in-depth information on how neural networks work...

Video series that goes in-depth on how neural networks work:

<https://www.3blue1brown.com/topics/neural-networks>

Article that explains neural networks and details the history of deep learning:

<https://news.mit.edu/2017/explained-neural-networks-deep-learning-0414>