

Lesson 14: OOP #4, Inheritance (W04D2)

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- **Before** starting Eclipse, back up your existing `Person*.java` files. Start terminal shell and...

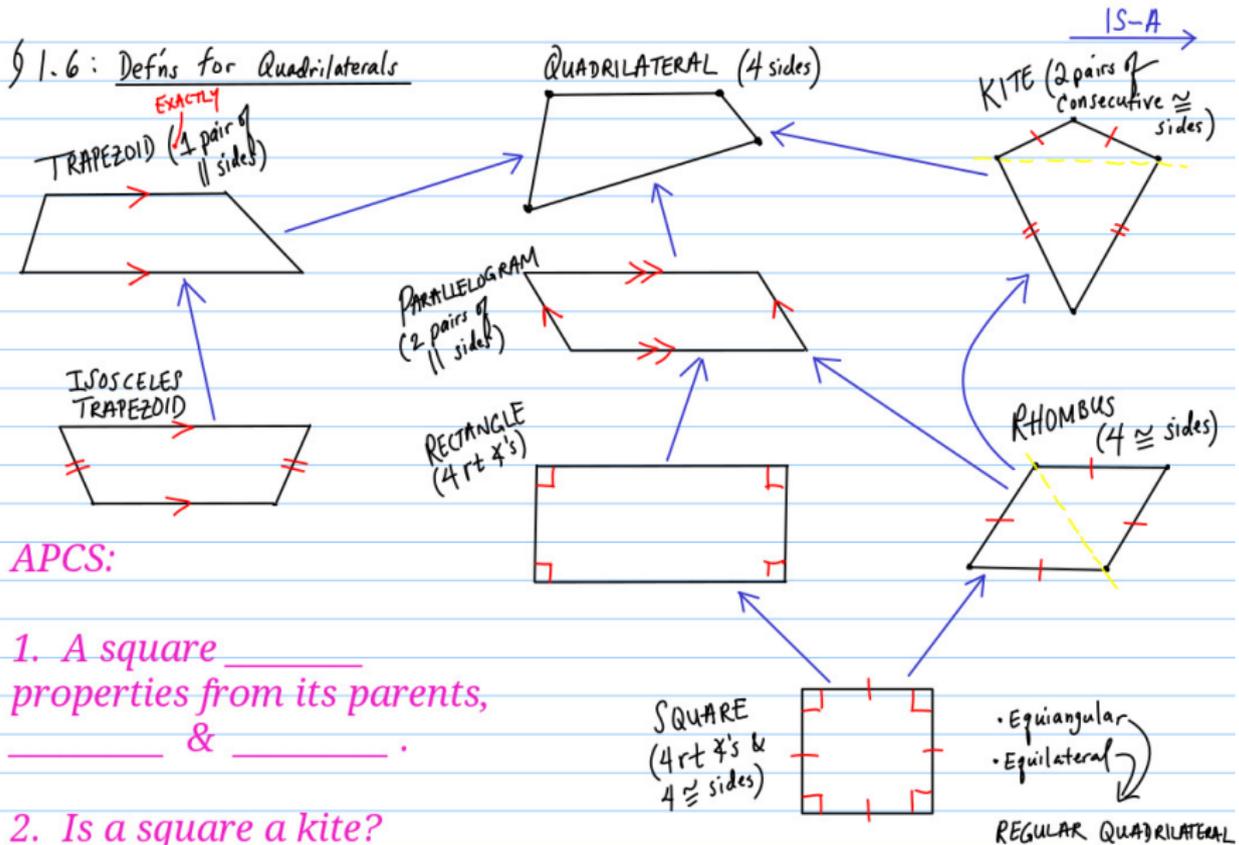
```
cd ~/MOUNTED/apcs-locker/workspace0/PeopleAsObjects/src
mv Person.java Person.java_20150909
mv PersonDriver.java PersonDriver.java_20150909
```

- Start Eclipse. Notice any errors that occur due to “missing” source files?
- Download fresh copies of those sources from [here](#), saving them to the same `src` folder as you worked with above.
- Within Eclipse, right-click the project folder and click *refresh*. **This is how to force Eclipse to re-examine a project’s directories in the file system so that it can detect changes that have occurred.**
- Read over the set of accessor & mutator methods — make sure you understand how they work!

Students will learn about *class inheritance*, extending a class into more specific subclasses.

Inheritance Example from Geometry

§ 1.6: Defns for Quadrilaterals



APCS:

1. A square _____ properties from its parents, _____ & _____.

2. Is a square a kite?

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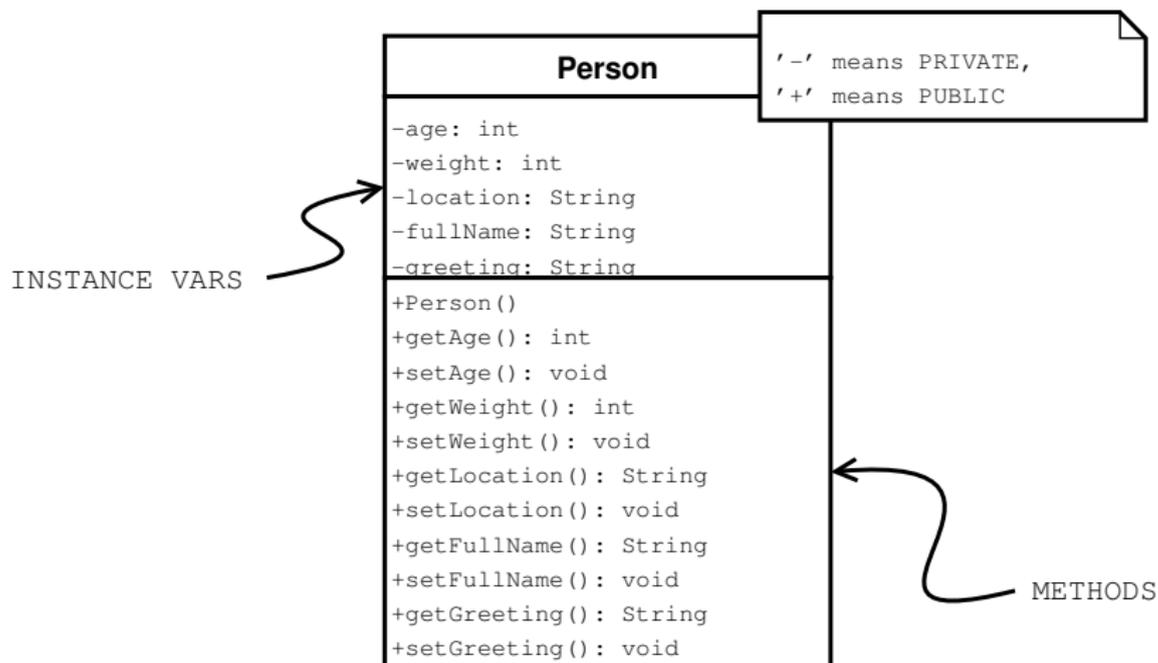
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- What does `extends` appear to do?

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- Teacher and Student are **subclasses** of Person: Each has all the qualities of a Person — like age, location, and greeting — yet each can have additional instance variables.

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- Student subclass
 - `int gradeLevel`
 - `String intendedMajor`

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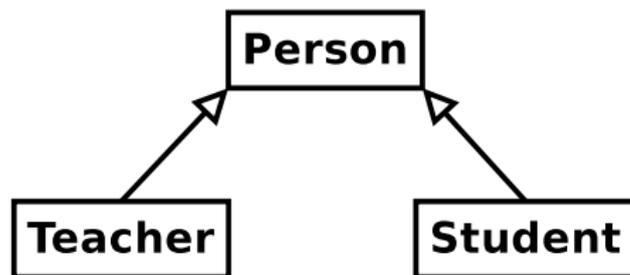
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- Person is the **parent class** of class Teacher
- Since the Teacher class **extends** Person, it has Person's field variables (e.g., age and weight), as well as its accessor and mutator methods

Class Inheritance Hierarchy



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- Wait... we don't have accessor/mutator methods for `Teacher.yearsTeaching` and `Teacher.primarySubject` yet! Create these — and mark the corresponding instance variables `private`.

Code Snippet for PersonDriver class

```
...  
Teacher teacher1 = new Teacher();  
teacher1.setAge(31);  
teacher1.setWeight(168);  
teacher1.setFullName("Mr. Sparkle");  
teacher1.setYearsTeaching(14);  
teacher1.setPrimarySubject("Math");  
  
String teacher1Stats;  
teacher1Stats = teacher1.getFullName() + " has been teaching ";  
teacher1Stats += teacher1.getPrimarySubject() + " for ";  
teacher1Stats += teacher1.getYearsTeaching() + " years!";  
System.out.println(teacher1Stats);  
...
```

- Didn't address PS02 §1.3 yet? Do it now: Create new project ps02 add file, push (read details in problem set).
- Make sure you understand what we've done thus far! If you're having any issues understanding — or you're having a hard time with the hands-on exercises — please ask for a classmate's help and/or mine!
- Proceed on to the HW slide →

Continue working on PS #2.

- You should be nearly finished with §§1-5 by now.
- Start looking over §6.