

COP 3330 2/27/26

1. Watch Wed Video (it's long)

2. End of Class - Hand Back quizzes

3. Cur Grade/Perc = $((P1+P2+P3)/10 + (Q1+Q2)^*5) / 0.31$

~ A = 80%, B = 64%, C = 45%

Bimodal a little bit.

4. TODAY'S LEC - POLYMORPHISM

LOOK AT MECHANICS \searrow many forms \swarrow

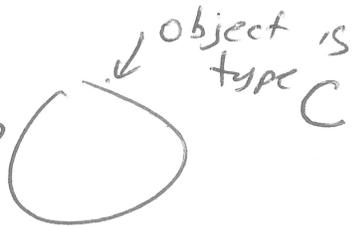
~~Refer~~ Reference Type and Object Type
need not be identical.



methods called f, g take in
reference type A, B and C.

Difficulty is figuring out which method
will get called when multiple methods
"fit" the given method call.

Rule #1: this gets binded dynamically
at run time

A obj = new C(---) obj → 

obj.f(---) → Java first

figures out that obj is pointing to an
object of ~~type~~ class C and looks for
an appropriate method in class C.

(If C doesn't have it, then we look at
B, then A, ...)

Rule #2: for parameters we use reference
type.

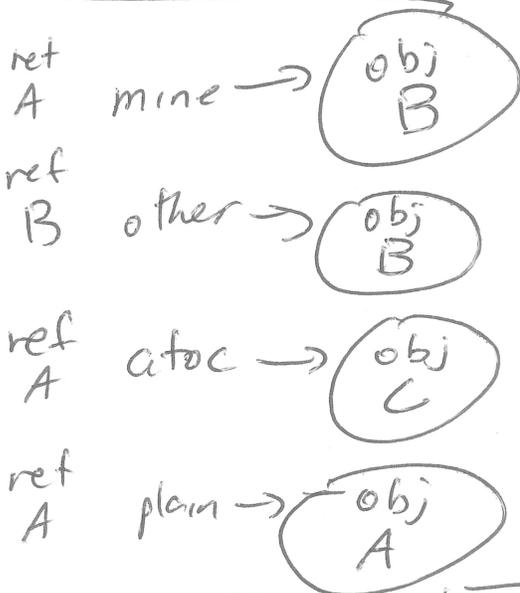
mine.f(obj) reference type is
A, so this is
what we'll use
to find a matching
method

↓
Class of
Object mine
is pointing to

addendum but I could do

if obj instance of C:
(C)obj.methodInC(...)

Example 1



Ref	Obj
A	A, B, C
B	B, C
C	C

an A is NOT a C
 but a C is - A A.

Why does this print out f(a)?

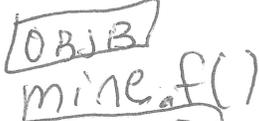


other, f(mine)

calls x.g()



mine, f(other)



mine, f()



(B)mine, f(other)



atoc, f(plain) → x.g() is on OBJ A



atoc, f(atoc) → no match C or B f(a) x.g()

Output

f(a) } test 1
 g(b) }
 f(a) } test 2
 g(b) }

test #3 { In default f(b)

f(b) } test 4
 g(b) }

f(a) } test 5
 g(a) }

f(a) } test 6
 g(c) }