

# A different way to model the world

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#### **Model of a the World**

- There is not one single model of the world
- There are multiple ways to capture a model of the world
  - Data driven (often used with relational database)
  - Object-Oriented Design
  - Procedural modeling
  - Reactive programming
- A program models the world



# **Object-Orientation**

- Is a paradigm, not a technology
- Reflects, simulates the real world
- Organized in terms of decentralized organizations
- Tries to
  - handle complexity
  - enhance reusability
  - minimize maintenance cost





- Procedural
- Object-Oriented Design



## **Structured/Procedural Programming Point of View**

- Focuses upon structures and procedures
- Data is shared between procedures
- Data accessible from procedures (and client procedures too)
- Procedures know about the structure of data



## **Structured/Procedural Programming Point of View**

- No late binding (can be simulated with pointer tables)
- Requires large number of procedures and procedure names
- Single namespace for procedures
- No decoupling between messages and methods: just procedures accessing data



#### Let us Compare

Problem: compute the total area of a set of geometric shapes

```
myPicture := Picture new.
myPicture add: (Square x: 3 y: 3 width: 3).
myPicture add: (Rectangle x: 5 y: with:5 height: 3)
myPicture add: (Circle x: 12 y: 3 radius: 3).
```

myPicture area



## **Procedural Way: Centralized Way (in Java)**

```
double pictureArea() {
 double total = 0;
   for (Shape shape : shapes) {
     switch (shape.kind()) {
     case SOUARE:
       Square square = (Square) shape;
      total += square.width * square.width; break;
     case RECTANGLE:
       Rectangle rectangle = (Rectangle) shape;
       total += rectangle.width * rectangle.height; break;
     case CIRCLE:
       Circle circle = (Circle) shape;
      total += java.lang.Math.PI * circle.radius * circle.radius / 2; break;
      }}
   return total; }
```



## **Procedural Way: a Centralized Way (in Pharo)**

```
pictureArea
  total
 total := 0.
 self shapes do [ :aShape |
  aShape kind == #SOUARE
      ifTrue: [total := total + aShape width * aShape width ]
     ifFalse: [
     aShape kind == #RECTANGLE
       ifTrue: [
        total := aShape width * aShape height ]
       ifFalse: [
        total := total + (Float pi * shape radius squared / 2)]
 ^ total
```



## **Procedural Way: Drawbacks**

- All the logic is defined in a single place
  - monolithic
- No reuse of the main function pictureArea
- What if we want to add a new shape?
  - need to recompile the area procedure
  - need to check for the new shape



#### The OO Way: Delegate to Other Entities

```
Picture >> area
| total |
total := 0.
self shapes do [ :aShape |
total := total + aShape area ].
^ total
```

Square >> area ^ self side squared

Rectangle >> area
 ^ self width \* self height

Circle >> area ^ (Float pi \* self radius squared / 2)



# **OOP Advantages**

- Adding a new shape
  - add a class with the area message
  - create objects of this class
- Reuse of the Picture >> area
- Reuse of the definition of the shapes
- Decentralised view of computation
- · Each shape class represents its data/logic internally



To be able to reuse the code in Picture >> area and add new shape

- It is important that all the shapes can all answer the message area
- Polymorphism: different objects answering the same messages with different execution



#### What is OOP?

- An application is a collection of interacting entities (objects).
- Objects are characterized by **behavior** and **state**.
- Objects are described by **methods**, **data** are stored in **private** variables.
- Objects communicates by exchanging messages.
- Message passing late bound the selection of the method to be executed in response to messages.
- Ideally everything is an object





- Unique identity
- Private state
- React to message by selecting method to be executed
- Methods to perform computation
- Objects expose polymorphic interface to be able to be substitued for other objects



## **OOP Cornerstone: Encapsulation/Composition**

#### Encapsulation

- Hide and control the internal representation of an object. This will ease further evolution
- Clients do not access object internals

#### Composition

• An object can be composed of several simpler other objects



## **OOP Cornerstone: Distribution of responsibility**

#### Distribution of responsibility and delegation

• Computing a problem is the results of many objects performing (sub) tasks.

#### Late binding and message passing

- The receiver of a message determines which method will be executed on it.
  - What to perform? the message
  - How to perform? the method

#### Polymorphism

- Objects exhibiting the same interface can be substitued
- Class hierarchy defines families of **polymorphic** (kind of substituable) objects



#### **OOP Cornerstone: Reuse via abstraction extension**

#### Inheritance structures abstractions as conceptual hierarchies

- OrderedCollection is a kind of Collection
- Array is a kind of Collection

Inheritance supports reuse and extensions in subclasses



## What you should know

- OOP describes programs as collaborating entities
- Objects encapsulate data and expose API of behavior
- Late binding selects the method to be executed in reaction to a message
- Classes reuse (extend, modify their superclass behavior)
- Good design promote polyrmorphism



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