

Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS1200)

Lecture 24

Java ASM, Subtyping and extension
Chapters 22 and 23

Announcements

- HW06: Pennstagram
 - Java array programming
 - Due *Tuesday* (tomorrow) at 11.59pm

Midterm 2 Logistics

- **Friday, March 28th, 2025**
 - *During lecture: 1:45-2:45PM*
 - If you have a conflict, send email to cis1200@seas.upenn.edu ASAP
- **Location:** Meyerson B1 (MEYH)
- **Coverage:** Chapters 1-24
- **Format:** 60 minutes; closed book, one handwritten, letter sized, single sided sheet of notes allowed.
- **Review Session:**
Wednesday, March 26 from 7-9pm in Towne 100

The Java Abstract Stack Machine

Objects, Arrays, and Static Methods

Java Abstract Stack Machine

- Similar to OCaml Abstract Stack Machine
 - Workspace (currently executing code)
 - Stack (local variables, plus saved workspaces in method calls)
 - Heap (values of reference types: arrays and objects)
- Key differences:
 - Everything, including stack bindings, is mutable by default
 - *Arrays store type information and length*
 - *Objects store what class was used to create them*
 - *New component: Class table (coming soon)*

Java Primitive Values

The values of these data types fit into one machine “word” (i.e. 64 bits) and are stored directly in the stack.

Type	Description	Values
byte	8-bit	-128 to 127
short	16-bit integer	-32768 to 32767
int	32-bit integer	-2^{31} to $2^{31} - 1$
long	64-bit integer	-2^{63} to $2^{63} - 1$
float	32-bit IEEE floating point	
double	64-bit IEEE floating point	
boolean	true or false	true false
char	16-bit unicode character	'a' 'b' '\u0000'

Reference Values stored on the Heap

Arrays

- Type of the array
- Length
- Values for all array **elements**

```
int [] a = { 0, 0, 7, 0 };
```

int[]			
length		4	
0	0	7	0

length *never*
mutable;
elements *always*
mutable

Objects

- Name of the **class** that constructed it
- Values for all **non-static** fields

```
class Node {  
    private int elt;  
    private Node next;
```

...

```
}
```

Node	
elt	1
next	null

fields may
or may not be
mutable
public/private not
tracked by ASM

Objects on the ASM

What does the heap look like at the end of this program?

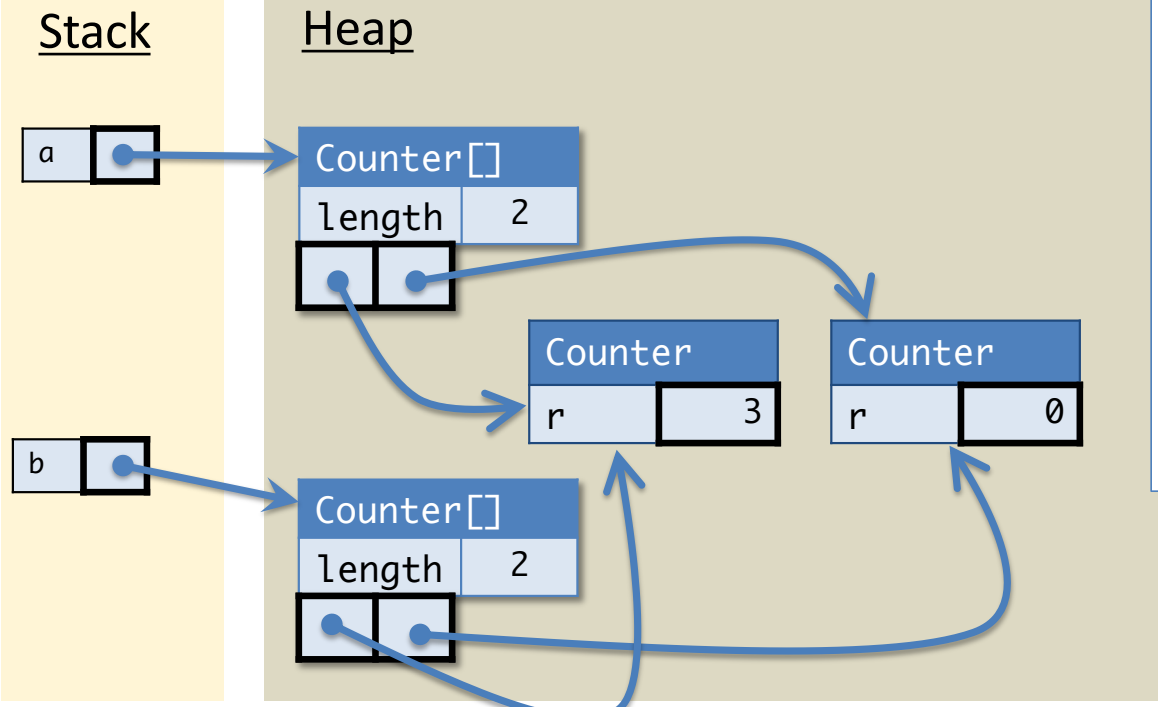
```
Counter[] a = { new Counter(), new Counter() };  
Counter[] b = { a[0], a[1] };  
a[0].inc();  
b[0].inc();  
int ans = a[0].inc();
```

```
public class Counter {  
    private int r;  
  
    public Counter () {  
        r = 0;  
    }  
  
    public int inc () {  
        r = r + 1;  
        return r;  
    }  
}
```

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24: What does the following program print?

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```
public class Node {
    public int elt;
    public Node next;
    public Node(int e0, Node n0) {
        elt = e0;
        next = n0;
    }
}

public class Test {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Node n1 = new Node(1,null);
        Node n2 = new Node(2,n1);
        Node n3 = n2;
        n3.next.next = n2;
        Node n4 = new Node(4,n1.next);
        n2.next.elt = 9;
        System.out.println(n1.elt);
    }
}
```

1

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2

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3

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4

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5

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6

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7

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8

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9

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NullPointerException

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What does the following program print?
1 – 9

or 10 for "NullPointerException"

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    }  
}
```

Answer: 9

Workspace

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Node n2 = new Node(2,n1);  
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n2.next.elc = 9;
```

Stack

Heap

Workspace

```
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Node n2 = new Node(2,n1);  
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```

Stack

Heap

Node	
elt	1
next	null

Note: we're skipping details here about how the constructor works. We'll fill them in next week. For now, assume the constructor allocates and initializes the object in one step.

Workspace

```
Node n2 = new Node(2,n1);  
Node n3 = n2;  
n3.next.next = n2;  
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```

Stack

n1



Heap

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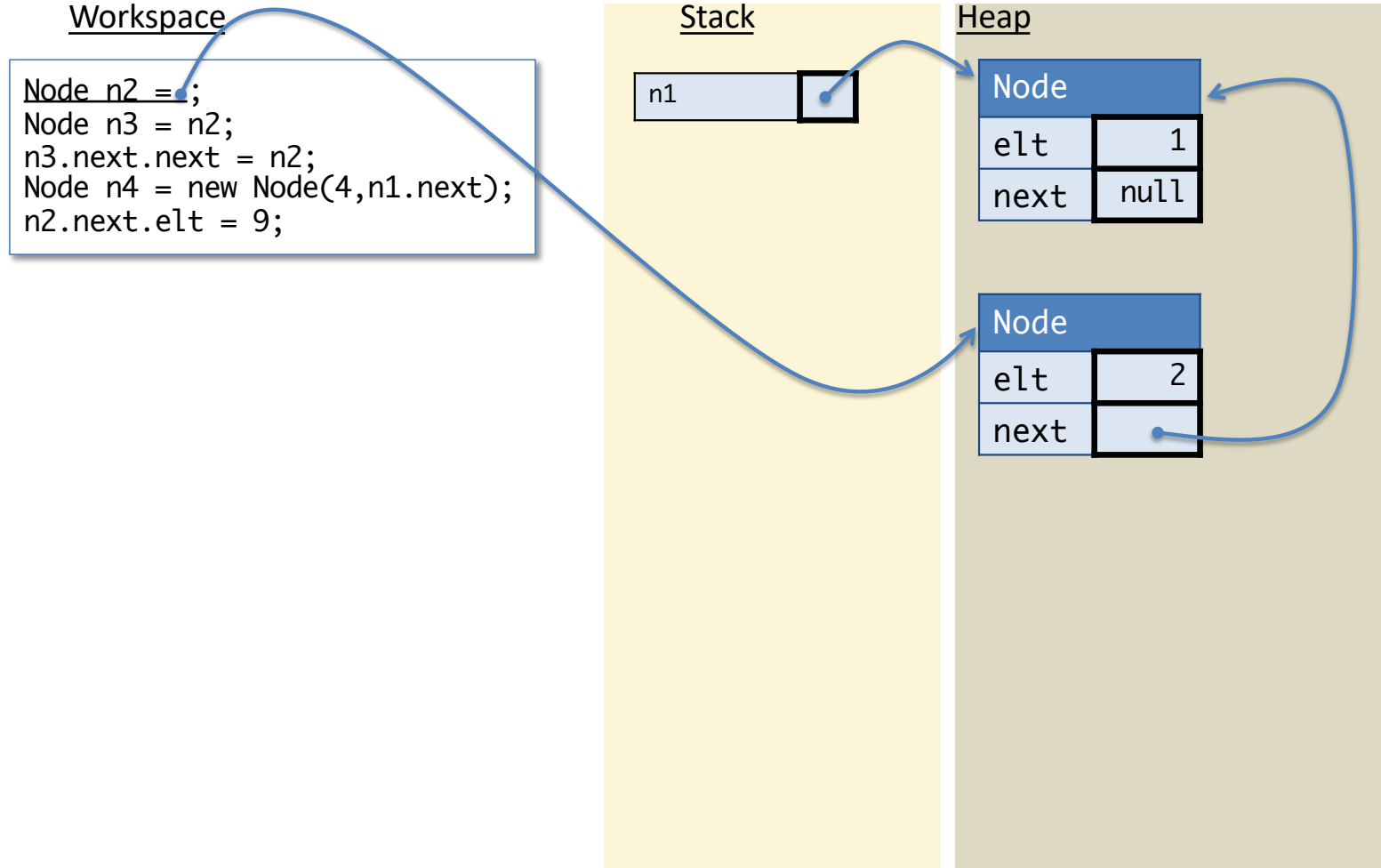
Stack

n1

Heap

Node	
elt	1
next	null

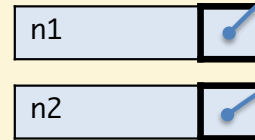
Node	
elt	2
next	



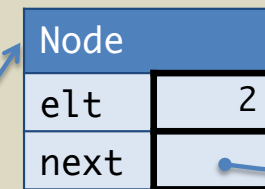
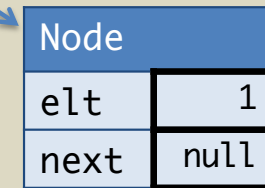
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Stack

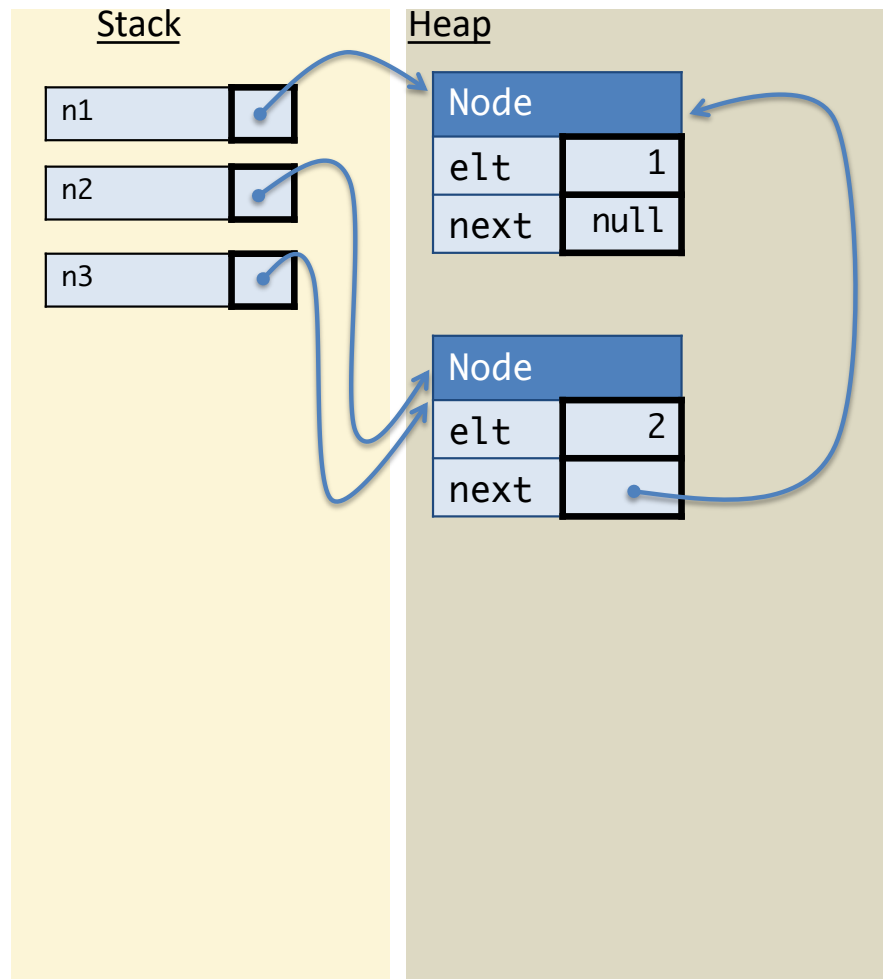


Heap



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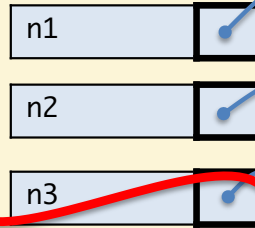
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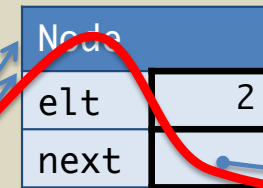
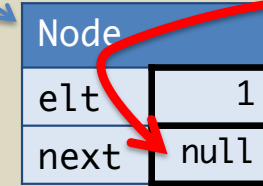
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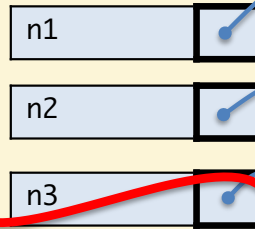
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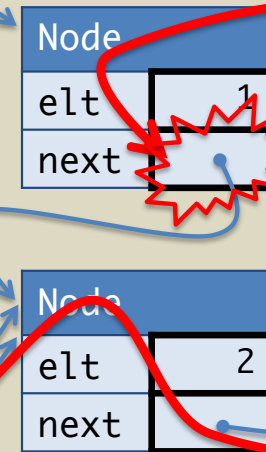
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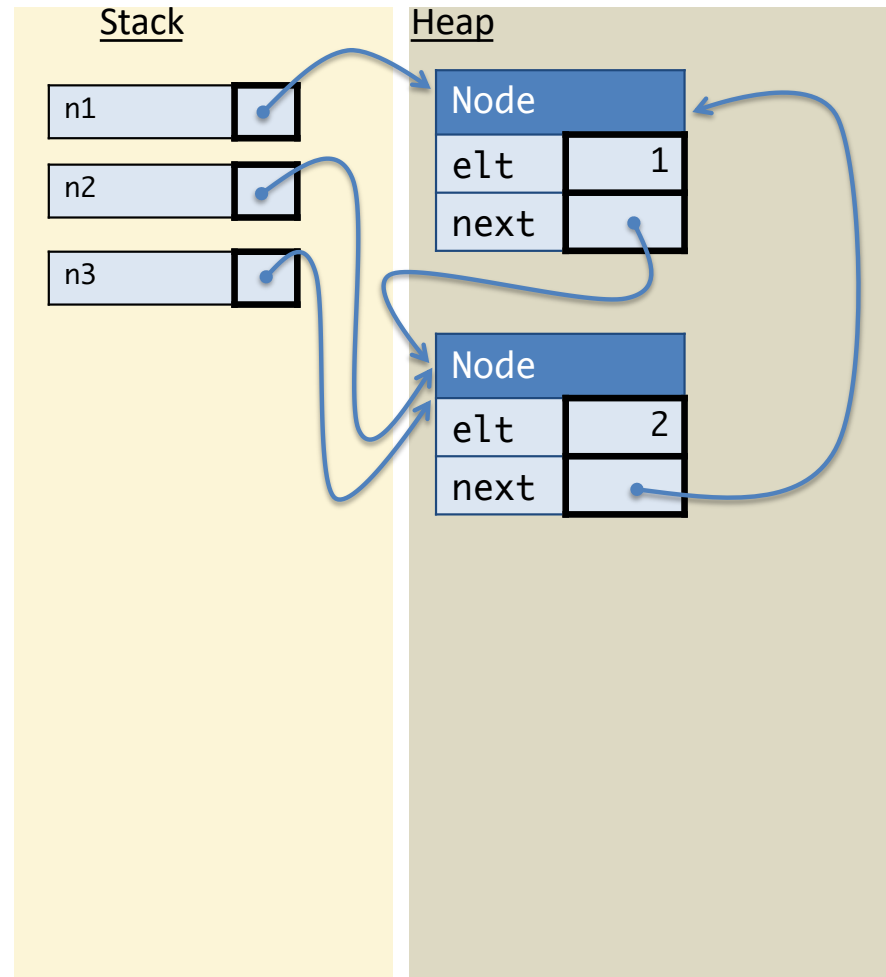


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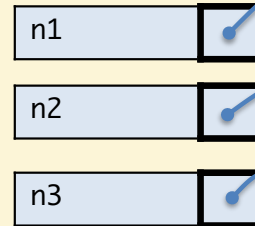
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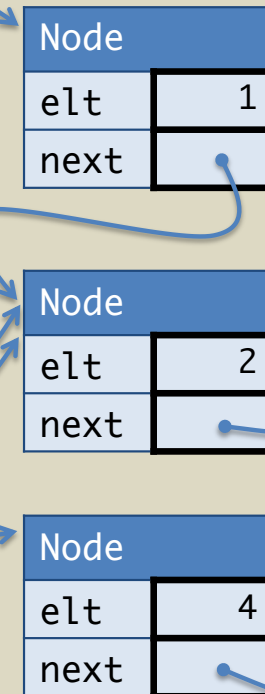
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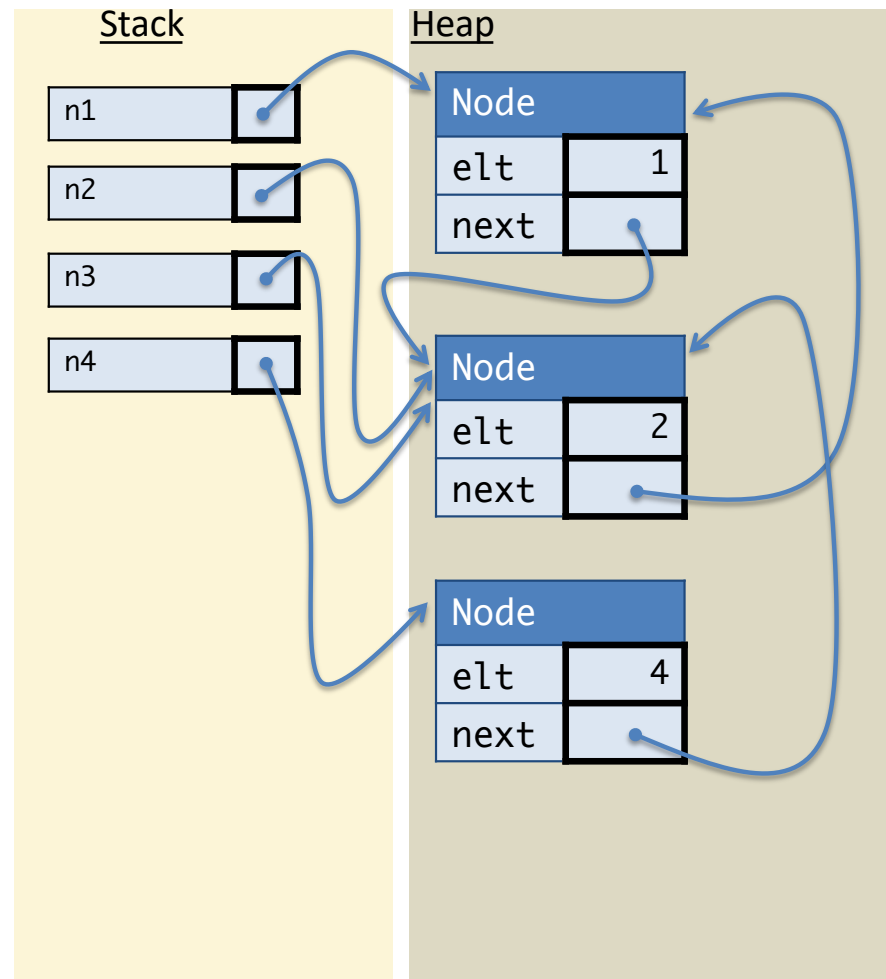


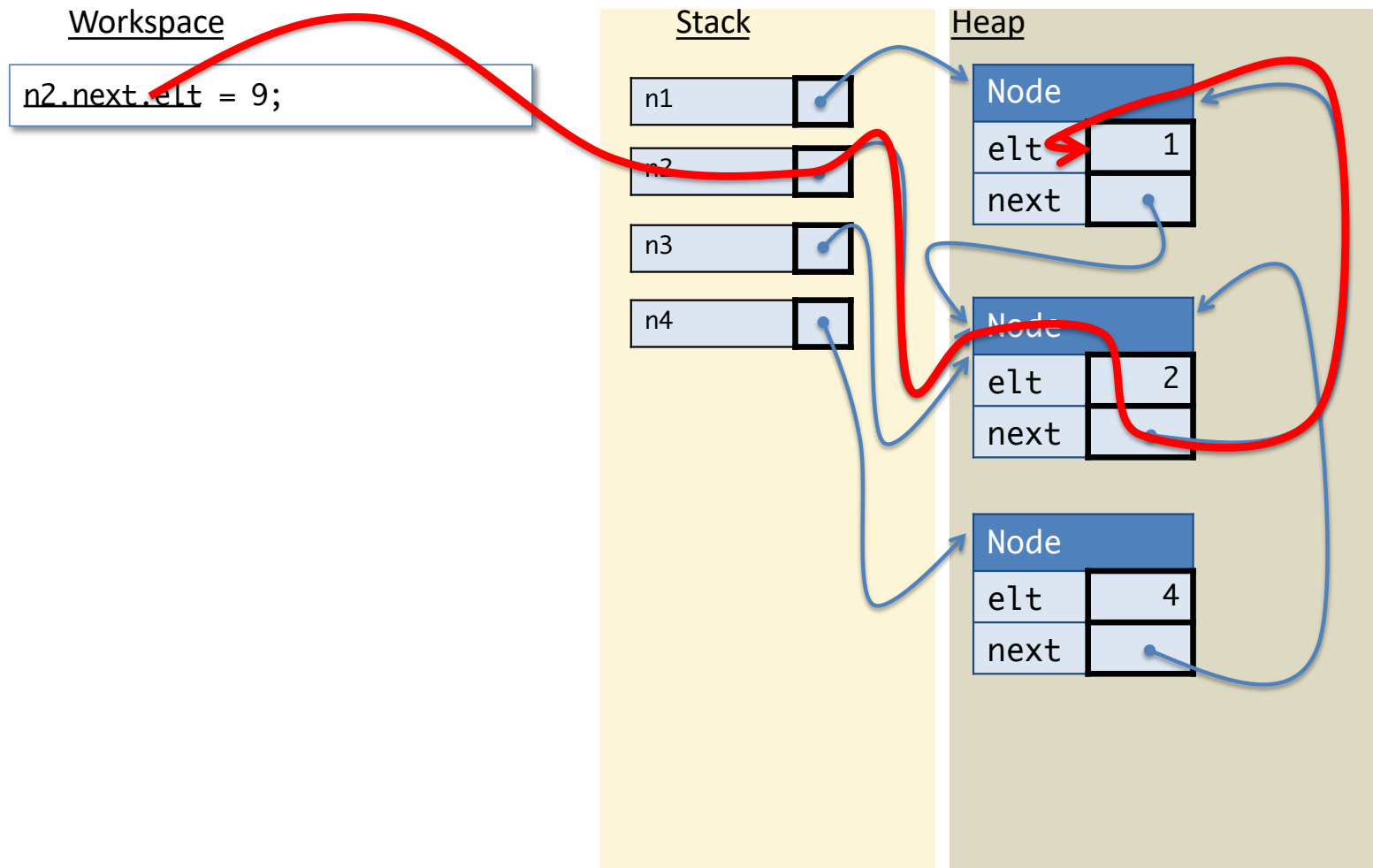
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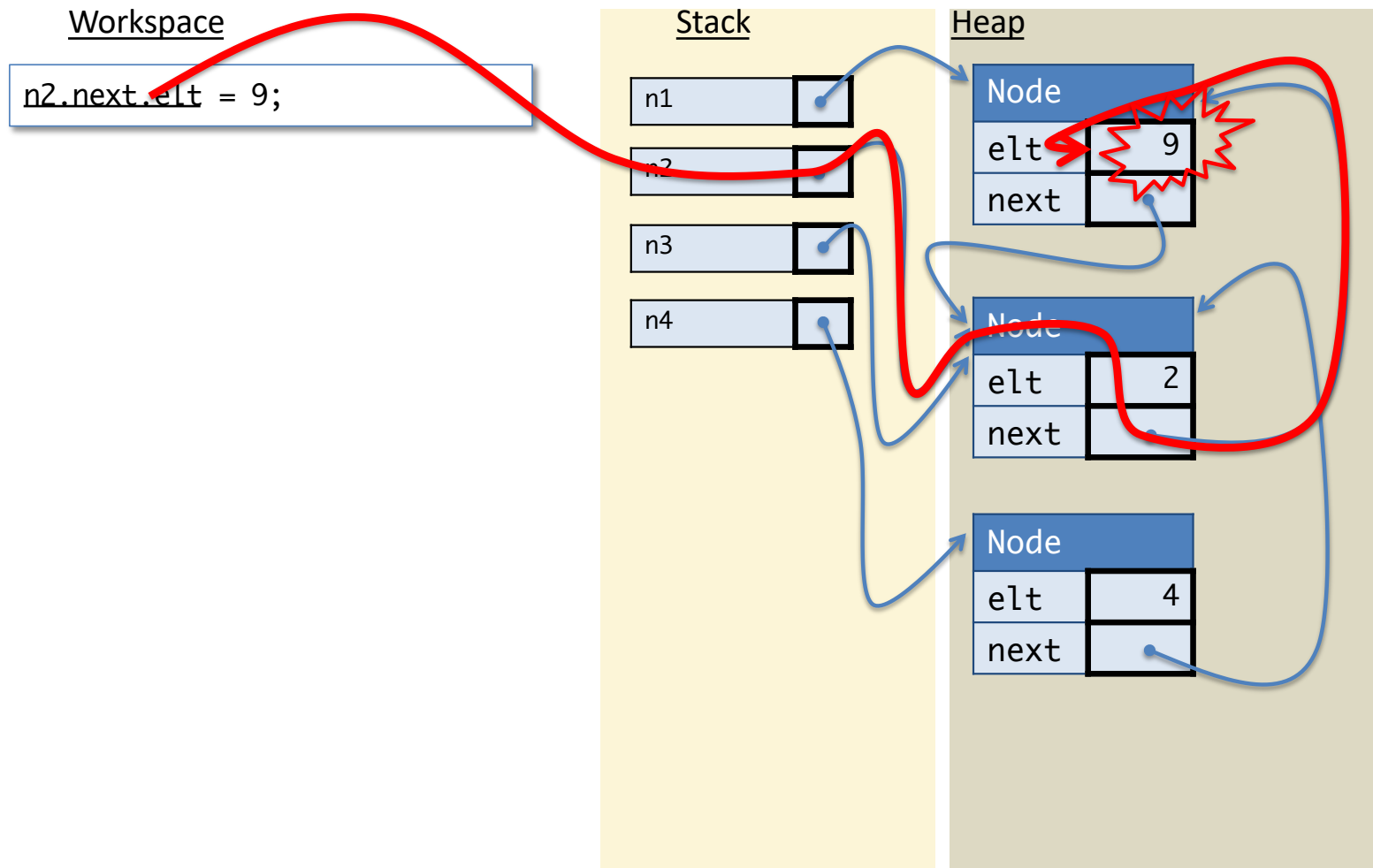


Workspace

```
n2.next.elc = 9;
```







Design Exercise: Resizable Arrays

Arrays that grow without bound.

Please see Chapter 32 in the Lecture Notes for more practice with arrays

Object encapsulation

- ***All modification to the state of the object must be done using the object's own methods.***
- Use encapsulation to preserve invariants about the state of the object.
- Enforce encapsulation by not returning aliases to mutable private data from methods.

Encapsulation

```
public class C {  
    private int x = 3;  
    private int[] y = { 1, 2, 3 };  
    public int getX() { return x; }  
    public int[] getY() { return y; }  
}
```

The instance variable `x` is **encapsulated** --- it can *only* be modified by the class `C`.

The instance variable `y` is **not encapsulated**. Code in *any class* can modify the values stored in the array.

Quick Review: Java Types and Interfaces

Review: Static Types

- Types stop you from using values incorrectly
 - `3 + true`
 - `(new Counter()).m()`
- **All expressions** have types
 - `3 + 4` has type `int`
 - `"A".toLowerCase()` has type `String`
 - `new Counter()` has type `Counter`
- How do we know if `x.inc()` is correct? or `x+3`?
 - depends on the type of `x`
- Type restrictions preserve the types of variables
 - assignment `"x = 3"` must be to values with compatible types
 - methods `"o.m(3)"` must be called with compatible arguments

HOWEVER: in Java,
objects can have
multiple types....

Interfaces

- Give a type for an object based on what it *does*, not on how it was constructed
- Describes a contract that objects must satisfy
- Example: Interface for objects that have a position and can be moved

```
public interface Displaceable {  
    int getX();  
    int getY();  
    void move(int dx, int dy);  
}
```

No fields, no constructors, no
method bodies!

Implementing the interface

- A class that implements an interface must provide appropriate definitions for the methods specified in the interface

methods
required to
satisfy contract

```
public class Point implements Displaceable {  
    private int x, y;  
    public Point(int x0, int y0) {  
        x = x0;  
        y = y0;  
    }  
    public int getX() { return x; }  
    public int getY() { return y; }  
    public void move(int dx, int dy) {  
        x = x + dx;  
        y = y + dy;  
    }  
}
```

interfaces
implemented

Another implementation

```
public class Circle implements Displaceable {  
    private Point center;  
    private int radius;  
    public Circle(int x, int y, int initRadius) {  
        Point center = new Point(x, y);  
        radius = initRadius;  
    }  
    public int getX() { return center.getX(); }  
    public int getY() { return center.getY(); }  
    public void move(int dx, int dy) {  
        center.move(dx, dy);  
    }  
}
```

Objects with different
local state can satisfy
the same interface

Implementing multiple interfaces

```
public interface Area {  
    public double getArea();  
}
```

```
public class Circle implements Displaceable, Area {  
    private Point center;  
    private int radius;  
    // constructor  
    // implementation of Displaceable methods  
  
    // new method  
    public double getArea() {  
        return Math.pi * radius * radius;  
    }  
}
```

Classes can implement multiple interfaces by including *all* of the required methods

24: Assume Circle implements the Displaceable interface. The following snippet of code typechecks:



True

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False

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```
// in class C
public static void moveItALot (Displaceable s) {
    ... //omitted
}

... // elsewhere
Circle c = new Circle(new Point(10,10),10);
C.moveItALot(c);
```

Assume Circle implements the Displaceable interface.
The following snippet of code typechecks:

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1. True
2. False

Answer: True

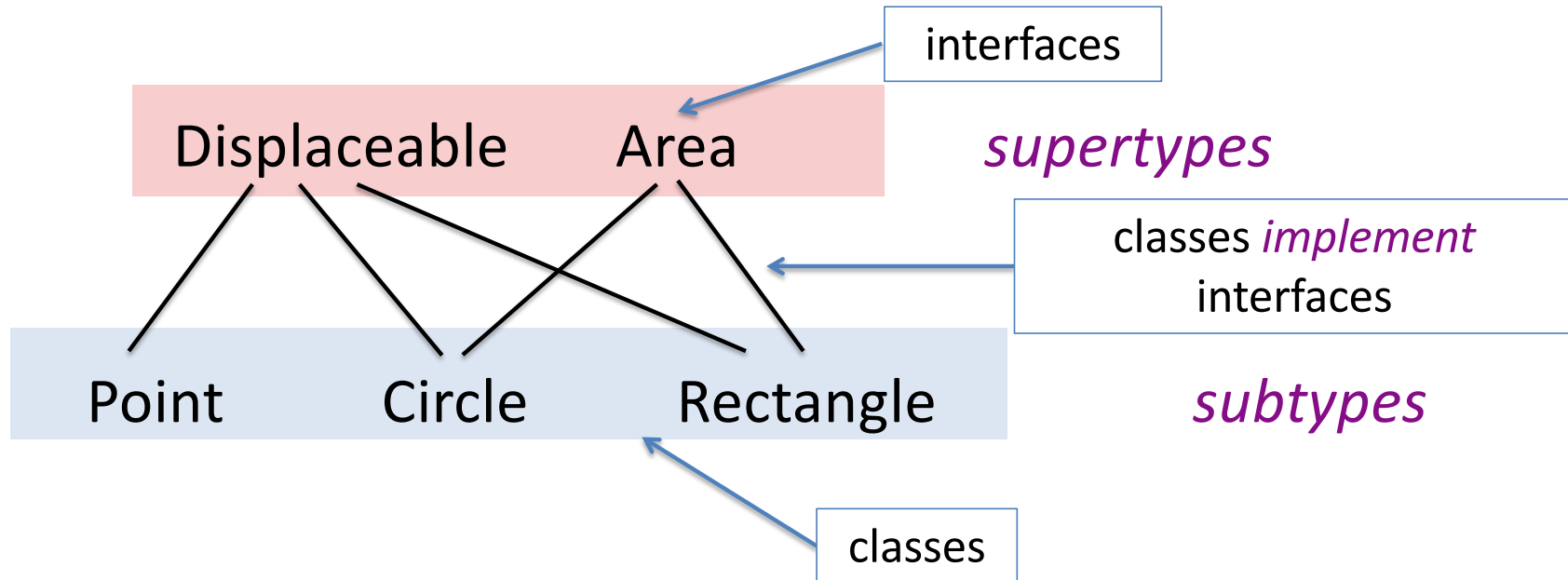
Subtyping

Definition: Type B can be declared to be a *subtype* of type A if values of type B can do anything that values of type A can do. Type A is called a *supertype* of B.

Example: A class that implements an interface declares a subtyping relationship

Subtypes and Supertypes

- An interface represents a *point of view* about an object
- Classes can implement *multiple* interfaces



Types can have many *different* supertypes / subtypes

Subtype Polymorphism*

- Key idea:

Anywhere an object of type A is needed, an object that actually belongs to a subtype of A can be provided.

```
// in class C
public static void leapIt(Displaceable c) {
    c.move(1000,1000);
}
// somewhere else
C.leapIt(new Circle (p, 10));
```

- If B is a subtype of A, it provides all of A's (public) methods
- Potential confusion: subtypes have **more methods** than supertypes.
(There are **more objects** that belong to the supertype than the subtype.)

**polymorphism = "many shapes"*

Subtyping and Variables

- A *variable* declared with type A can store any *object* that is a subtype of A

```
Displaceable a = new Circle(new Point(2,3), 1);
```



supertype of Circle



subtype of Displaceable

- Methods with *parameters* of type A must be called with *arguments* that are subtypes of A

Key Idea: Liskov's *Substitution Principle**

If S is a subtype of T, then an object of type T may be replaced by an object of type S anywhere a T is expected.

- **without** changing the properties of the program



*Named for Turing award winner and designer of the influential OO language CLU, Barbara Liskov, who introduced this idea in 1988.

Extension – More complex subtyping

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Interface Extension – An interface that *extends* another interface declares a subtype

Class Extension – A class that *extends* another class declares a subtype

Interface Extension

- Build richer interface hierarchies by *extending* existing interfaces.

```
public interface Displaceable {  
    int getX();  
    int getY();  
    void move(int dx, int dy);  
}
```

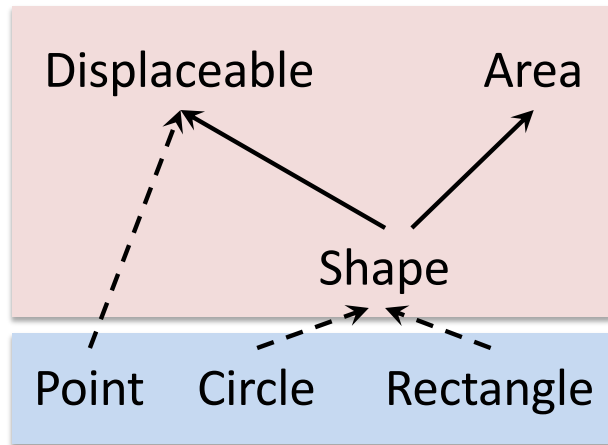
```
public interface Area {  
    double getArea();  
}
```

```
public interface Shape extends Displaceable, Area {  
    Rectangle getBoundingBox();  
}
```

The Shape type includes all the methods of Displaceable and Area, plus the new getBoundingBox method.

Note the “extends” keyword.

Interface Hierarchy



```
class Point implements Displaceable
{
    ... // omitted
}
class Circle implements Shape {
    ... // omitted
}
class Rectangle implements Shape {
    ... // omitted
}
```

- Shape is a *subtype* of both Displaceable and Area.
- Circle and Rectangle are both subtypes of Shape; both are also subtypes of Displaceable and Area *by transitivity*.
- Note that one interface may extend *several* others.
 - Interfaces do not necessarily form a tree, but the interface hierarchy cannot have any cycles.

Class Extension: “Inheritance”

- Classes, like interfaces, can extend one another.
 - Unlike interfaces, a class can extend only *one* other class.
- The extending class *inherits* all the fields and methods of its *superclass* and may include additional fields or methods.
 - Inheritance reflects an “is a” relationship between objects (e.g., a Car *is a* Vehicle).

Simple Inheritance

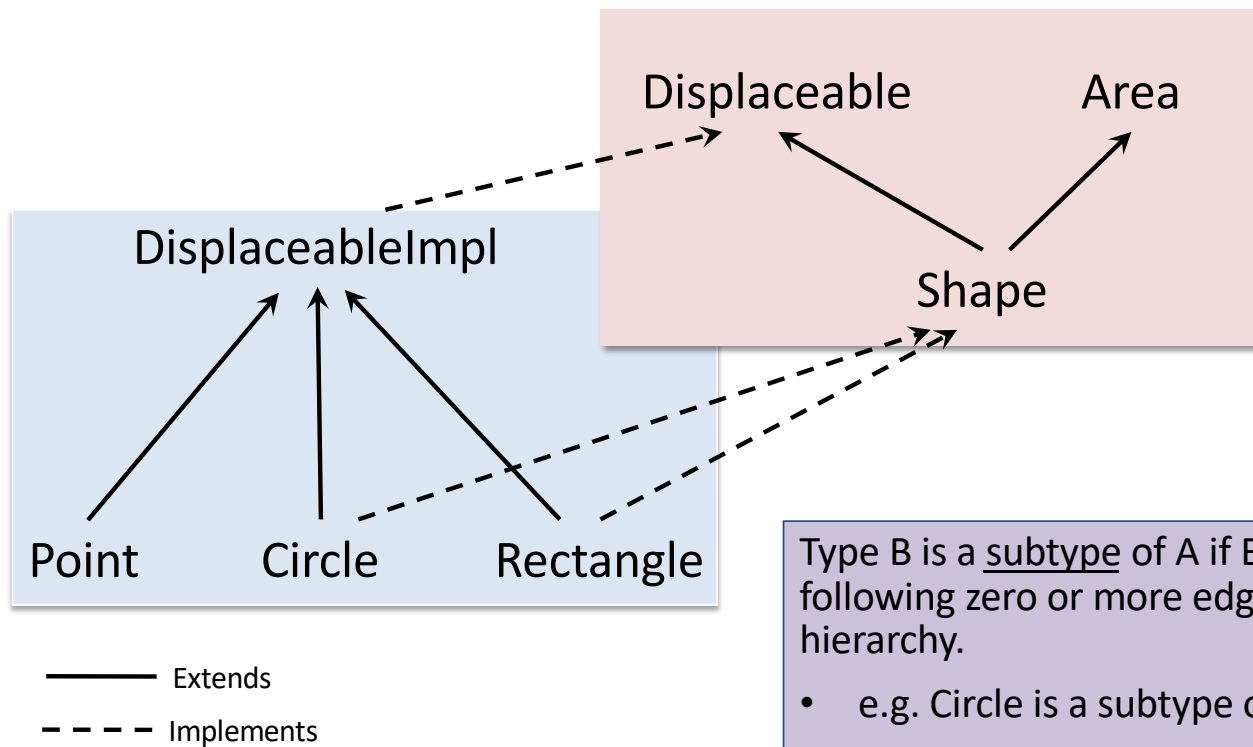
- In *simple inheritance*, the subclass only *adds* new fields or methods.
 - It is also possible to replace (override) method definitions – we'll come back to this later
- Use simple inheritance to *share common code* among related classes.
- Example: Circle, and Rectangle have *identical* code for getX(), getY(), and move() methods when implementing Displaceable.

Class Extension: Inheritance

```
public class DisplaceableImpl implements Displaceable {
    private int x; private int y;
    public DisplaceableImpl(int x, int y) { ... }
    public int getX() { return x;}
    public int getY() { return y; }
    public void move(int dx, int dy) { x += dx; y += dy; }
}

public class Circle extends DisplaceableImpl
                           implements Shape {
    private int radius;
    public Circle(Point pt, int radius) {
        super(pt.getX(),pt.getY());
        this.radius = radius;
    }
    public double getArea() { ... }
    public Rectangle getBoundingBox() { ... }
}
```


Subtyping with Inheritance



Type B is a subtype of A if B is reachable from A by following zero or more edges upwards in the hierarchy.

- e.g. Circle is a subtype of Area, but Point is not
- Circle is also a subtype of *itself*