

# Lecture Chapter 9 Java Again

## Inheritance

- Ability of a child class to obtain, and possibly to modify, the characteristics of a parent class

```
public class Sphere
{
    private double radius;
    public static final double DEFAULT_RADIUS = 1.0;

    public Sphere( )
    {
        setRadius(DEFAULT_RADIUS);
    }
    public Sphere(double initialRadius)
    {
        setRadius(initialRadius);
    }
    ...
}
```

```
public class Ball extends Sphere
{
    private String name;
    public static final double DEFAULT_RADIUS = 1.0;

    public Ball( )
    {
        setName("unknown");
    }
    public Ball(double initialRadius, String initialName)
    {
        super(initialRadius); // call superclass's constructor
        setName(initialName);
    }
    ...
}
```

Superclass 's private data fields cannot be revised nor can their names be reused in a subclass.

Superclass's private methods can be overridden in a subclass. A method in in a subclass overrides a method in a superclass if the two methods have the same declarations and different bodies.

Annotations explicitly notify the compiler of exceptional uses, e.g., overrides

@Override

```
Public void displayStatistics( )
{
    System.out.println( ... );
    Super.displayStatistics( );
}
```

## Java Access Modifiers

See Lecture 9\_b #10

## Is-A Relationships

Object type compatability

Superclass-subclass

Extends

## Has-A Relationships

Containment

```
public class pen
{
    private Ball point;
    ...
}
```

**For more details see Lectures 9\_a, 9\_b & 9\_c**