Lecture 5



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You should care about them because...

- You could come up with these solutions on your own, but you shouldn't have to!
- Programming languages do not build in solutions to every problem

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1 class Expression { }

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2 class BinaryExpression { }
```

3 class AdditionExpression extends BinaryExpression {

```
4 Expression left, right;
```

```
5 }
```

```
6 class MultiplicationExpression extends BinaryExpression {
```

```
7 Expression left, right;
```

```
8 }
```

```
9 class NumberExpression extends Expression {
```

```
10 int value;
```

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11 }
```

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```
struct Int {
 2
       int i;
 3
4
5
   };
    struct IntAndDouble {
 6
       int i;
7
8
9
       double d:
   };
10
   struct DoubleAndInt {
11
       double d;
12
       int i;
13
  };
```

Modelling Subclassing via Structs and Enums



1	<pre>enum expression_type_t {</pre>
2	NUMBER_EXPRESSION,
3	ADDITION_EXPRESSION,
4	MULTIPLICATION_EXPRESSION
5	};
6	<pre>struct expression {</pre>
7	<pre>expression_type_t type;</pre>
8	};
9	<pre>struct binary_expression {</pre>
10	<pre>expression_type_t type;</pre>
11	<pre>expression *left, *right;</pre>
12	};
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- void swap(int *a, int *b)
- void divrem(int *quotient, int *remainder)
- void eat(char **buf, char *token)

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