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Herança *versus* Composição

Como implementar a composição

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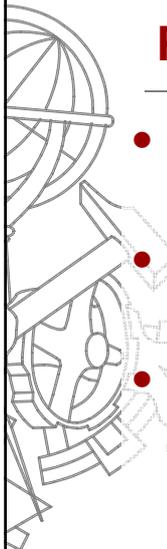
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Formas de Herança

- Three facets of inheritance
 - **Implementation inheritance**
(sub-classing) sharing of implementation fragments
 - **Interface inheritance**
(sub-typing) sharing of contract fragments
 - **Substitutivity**
Promise of substitutability
- How to avoid inheritance ?

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Problema da classe base frágil

- can super-class (base class) evolve without breaking subclasses?
- eg old applications with new revision of OS
- two issues: *syntactic* and *semantic* fragile base class problem

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Problema da classe base frágil

- Semantic
 - How can a subclass remain valid in the presence of different version of its super-classes ?
 - Parameters
 - Methods name
 - Return type



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Das classes à composição de objectos

- motivation for *implementation inheritance* is flexible code reuse
- improving super-class improves sub-classes? re-entrance and up-calls make this difficult
- *object composition* a simpler alternative ('has-a' instead of 'is-a')
- *outer object* has the only reference to *inner object*
- outer object *forwards* messages to inner object
- improving *inner* object improves *outer* object
- *object composition* and *forwarding* a close approximation to implementation inheritance, without some of the problems

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Das classes à composição de objectos

- Object composition is a much simpler form of composition than implementation inheritance;
- Shares several of the often quoted advantages of implementation inheritance;
- The idea is very simple – whenever an object does not have the means to perform some task locally, it can send messages to other objects, asking for support, and if the helping object is a part of the helped object, this is called *object composition*;
- An object is part of another one if references to it do not leave that object.

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Das classes à composição de objectos

- Sending a message on from one object to another is called **forwarding (re-encaminhamento)**;
- The combination of object composition and forwarding comes fairly close to what is achieved by implementation inheritance;
- However, it does not get so close that it also has the disadvantages of implementation inheritance.

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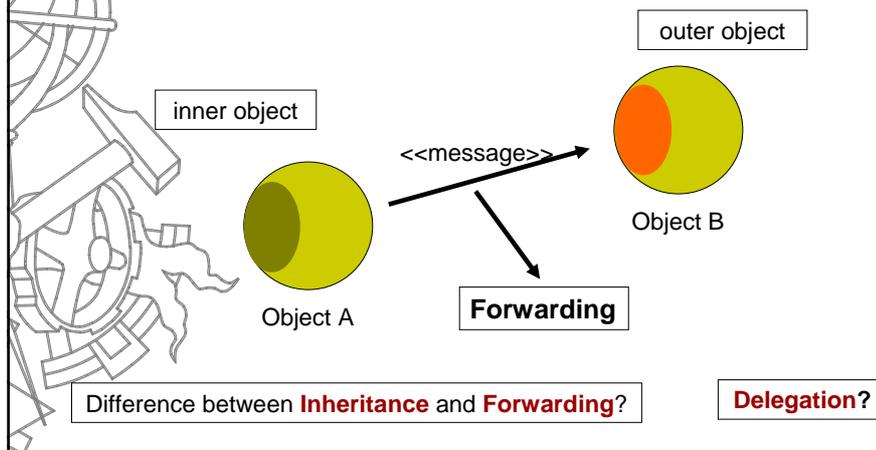
- An **outer object** does not re-implement the functionality of the **inner object** when it forwards messages;
- It reuses the implementation of the inner object;
- If the implementation of the inner object is changed, then this change will “spread” to the outer object;
- The difference between **object composition with forwarding** and **implementation inheritance** is called “**implicit self-recursion**” or “**possession of a common self**”

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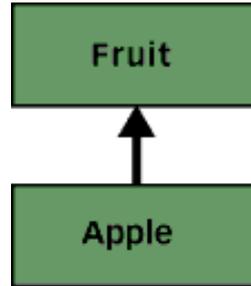
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Exemplo : Herança

```
class Fruit
{
    //...
}
class Apple extends Fruit
{
    //...
}
```



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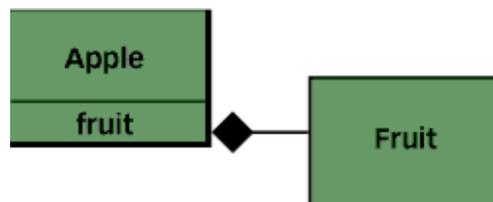
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Exemplo : Composição

```
class Fruit
{
    //...
}
class Apple
{
    private Fruit fruit = new Fruit();
    //...
}
```



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- **Changing the super-class interface**
In an inheritance relationship, super-classes are often said to be "fragile," because one little change to a super-class can ripple out and require changes in many other places in the application's code.

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- **The composition alternative**
 - Given that the inheritance relationship makes it hard to change the interface of a super-class, it is worth looking at an alternative approach provided by composition.
 - It turns out that when your goal is code reuse, composition provides an approach that yields easier-to-change code.

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```
class Fruit {
    // Return int number of pieces of peel that
    // resulted from the peeling activity.
    public int peel () {
        System.out.println("Peeling is appealing.");
        return 1;
    }
}

class Apple extends Fruit {
}

class Example1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Apple apple = new Apple();
        int pieces = apple.peel();
    }
}
```

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Change the return value of peel () to type Peel ,
will break the code for Example1

```
class Peel {
    private int peelCount;
    public Peel (int peelCount) {
        this.peelCount = peelCount;
    }
    public int getPeelCount () {
        return peelCount;
    }
    //...
}
```

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```
class Fruit {
    // Return a Peel object that
    // results from the peeling activity.
    public Peel peel () {
        System.out.println("Peeling is appealing.");
        return new Peel (1);
    }
}

// Apple still compiles and works fine
class Apple extends Fruit {
}

// This old implementation of Example1
// is broken and won't compile.
class Example1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Apple apple = new Apple();
        int pieces = apple.peel ();
    }
}
```

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Das classes à composição de objectos

- **Code reuse via composition**
 - Composition provides an alternative way for Apple to reuse Fruit's implementation of peel ().
 - Instead of extending Fruit, Apple can hold a reference to a Fruit instance and define its own peel () method that simply invokes peel () on the Fruit.

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```
class Fruit {
    // Return int number of pieces of peel that
    // resulted from the peeling activity.
    public int peel () {
        System.out.println("Peeling is appealing.");
        return 1;
    }
}

class Apple {
    private Fruit fruit = new Fruit();
    public int peel () {
        return fruit.peel ();
    }
}

class Example1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Apple apple = new Apple();
        int pieces = apple.peel ();
    }
}
```

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Das classes à composição de objectos

Change the return value of peel () to type Peel ,
will break the code for Example1

```
class Peel {
    private int peelCount;
    public Peel (int peelCount) {
        this.peelCount = peelCount;
    }
    public int getPeelCount () {
        return peelCount;
    }
    //...
}
```

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```
class Fruit {
    // Return int number of pieces of peel that resulted from the peeling activity.
    public Peel peel () {
        System.out.println("Peeling is appealing.");
        return new Peel (1);
    }
}

// Apple must be changed to accommodate the change to Fruit
class Apple {
    private Fruit fruit = new Fruit();
    public int peel () {
        Peel peel = fruit.peel ();
        return peel.getPeelCount();
    }
}

// This old implementation of Example2 - still works fine.
class Example1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Apple apple = new Apple();
        int pieces = apple.peel ();
    }
}
```

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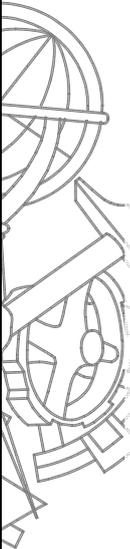
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- The composition approach to code reuse provides stronger encapsulation than inheritance, because a change to a back-end class needn't break any code that relies only on the front-end class.
- For example, changing the return type of Fruit's peel () method from the previous example doesn't force a change in Apple's interface and therefore needn't break Example2's code.

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Possession of a common self

- instance of sub-class shares identity with that of its super-class;
- control can return from a super-class back to a sub-class – invocation of the last overriding version of the method;
- composition of objects has no single identity;
- once control passed from outer to inner object, outer object cannot interfere.

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Delegation

- Although object composition is very useful, one may question whether it is as powerful for reuse as inheritance.
- Specifically, using inheritance, an inherited method can always refer to the receiving object using the `this` member variable in C++ or C#.
- In delegation, the receiving object delegates operations to a delegate (one of the objects it is composed of).
- The same effect (as `this`) is achieved by having the receiving object pass a reference to itself to the delegate.
- Using delegation, a method can always refer to the original recipient of the message, regardless of the number of indirections due to object composition.
- Delegation allows object composition to be as powerful for reuse as inheritance. Several design patterns make use of this strategy.

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```
class Fruit {
    Object outer = null;
    Fruit(Object o) {
        outer = o;
    }
    public int peel () {
        outer.method();
        System.out.println("Peeling is appealing.");
        return 1;
    }
}

class Apple {
    private Fruit fruit = new Fruit(this);
    public int peel () {
        return fruit.peel ();
    }
    public void method() { ... }
}
```

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Re-encaminhamento x Delegação

Resumo

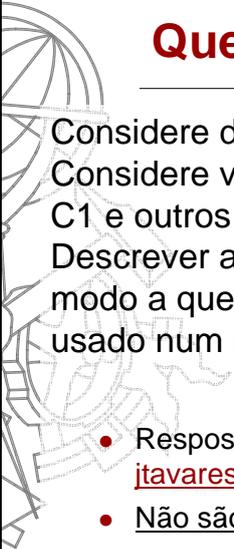
- Forwarding
 - Regular Message
 - Delegation
 - Self-recursive one
 - Strengthened
 - Identity is remembered
- What the difference between Forwarding and Delegation?



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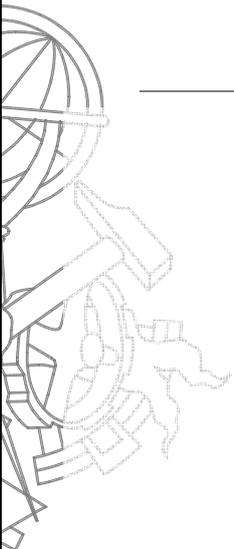
Questionário

Considere dois contratos C1 e C2.

Considere vários 'providers' diferentes. Uns aderem a C1 e outros aderem a C2.

Descrever a relação que deve existir entre C1 e C2 de modo a que um 'provider' que adere a C2 possa ser usado num sistema que adere a C1.

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