Lecture 8

Monday September 30

The equals Method: To Override or Not?

```
class Object {
  ...
  boolean equals(Object obj) {
    retuen this == obj;
  }
}
```

extends

overriding/ redefining

extends

Every method defined in Object class is automat. available in every class you create

```
class PointV1 {
  double x;
  double y;
  PointV1 (double x, double y) {
    this.x = x;
    this.y = y;
  }
}
```

```
class PointV2 {
  double x; double y;
  PointV2 (double x, double y) { ... }
  boolean equals(Object obj) {
    if(this == obj) { return true; }
    if(obj == null) { return false; }
    if(this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) { return false }
    Point other = (Point) obj;
    return this.x == other.x
        && this.y == other.y;
  }
}
```

The equals Method: Default Version

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  boolean equals(Object obj) {
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  }
}
```

extends

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9  System.out.println(p1.equals(s));   /* false */
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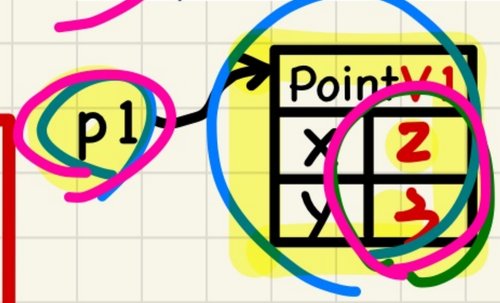

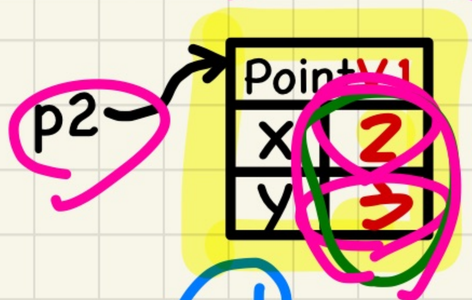

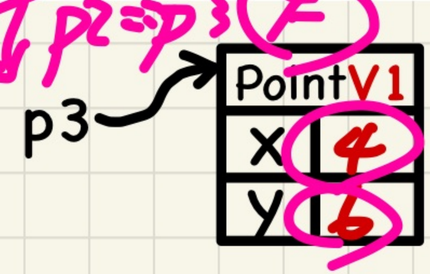

The equals Method: Overridden Version

Example 1

```
class Object {
  ...
  boolean equals(Object obj) {
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  }
}
```

```
1  String s = "(2, 3)";
2  PointV2 p1 = new PointV2(2, 3);
3  PointV2 p2 = new PointV2(2, 3);
4  PointV2 p3 = new PointV2(4, 6);
5  System.out.println(p1 == p2);   /* false */
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7  System.out.println(p1.equals(p1));   /* [redacted] */
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extends

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    PointV2 other = (PointV2) obj;
    return this.x == other.x
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  }
}
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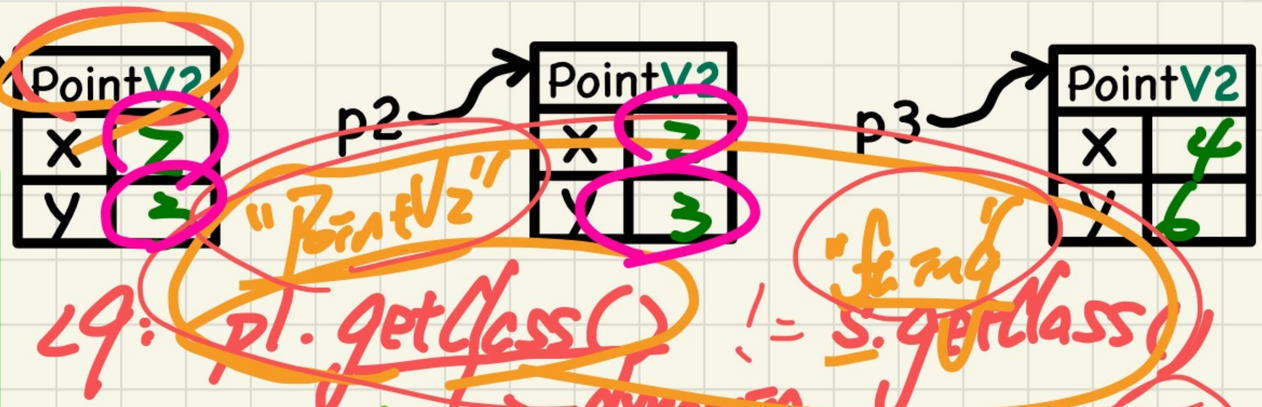

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PointV1 p1 = new . — -

PointV2 p2 = new . —

p1.equals(p2)

C.O. "PointV1"

"PointV2"

all true if you can reach *

this != obj

obj != null

this.getClass() == obj.getClass()

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```

this and obj are same type

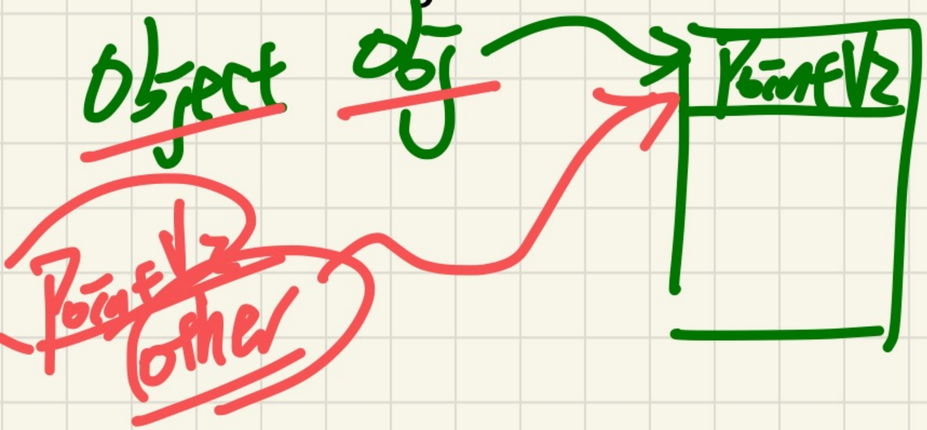
Object obj

obj has the declare type Object.

V1

V2 return this.x == obj.x && this.y == obj.y

Java compiler only allows attributes/methods defined in the Object declared type of obj.



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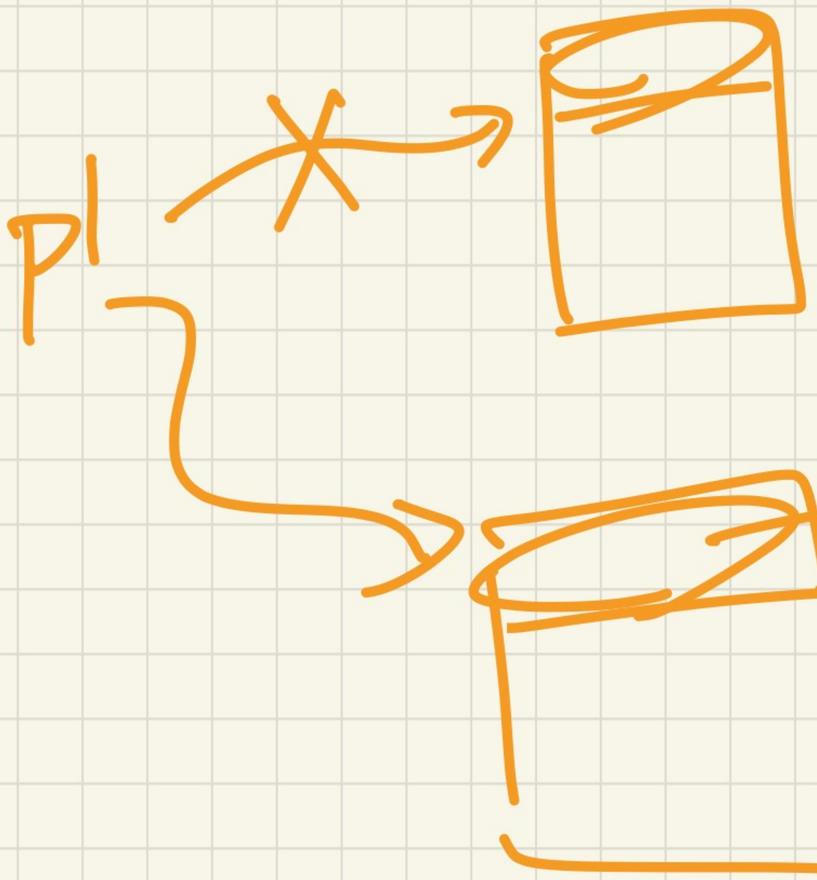
p1 → null

PointV2 p1 = null;
p1.equals("junk")

look up the object pointed by p1 is. where

if (this == null) { return ?; }

↳ redundat ‘: a NPE would've occurred already.



o. getClass()

returns the type of object pointed by o currently.

The equals Method:

To Override or Not?

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```

p2.x p3.x

p2 equals(p3)

The equals Method: Overridden Version

Example 2

```
class Object {
   ...
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   }
}
```

extends

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  }
}
```

```
1  PointV2 p1 = new PointV2(3, 4);
2  PointV2 p2 = new PointV2(3, 4);
3  PointV2 p3 = new PointV2(4, 5);
4  System.out.println(p1 == p1);   /* [redacted] */
5  System.out.println(p1.equals(p1));   /* [redacted] */
6  System.out.println(p1 == p2);   /* [redacted] */
7  System.out.println(p1.equals(p2));   /* [redacted] */
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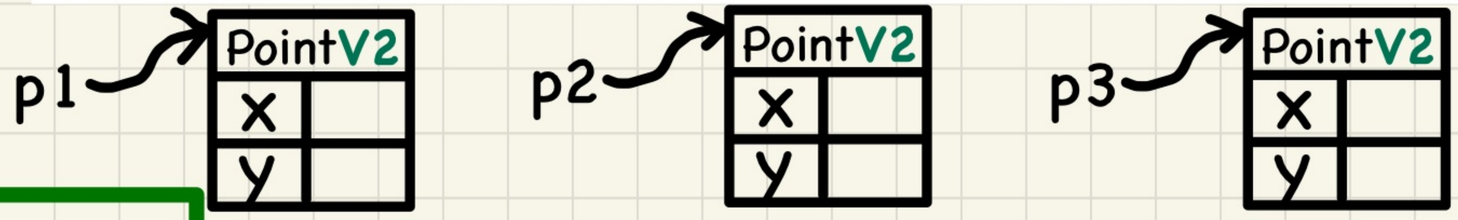

(A) Two objects are reference-equal.

(B) Two objects are contents-equal.

- If (A) is true, then (B) is true.
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