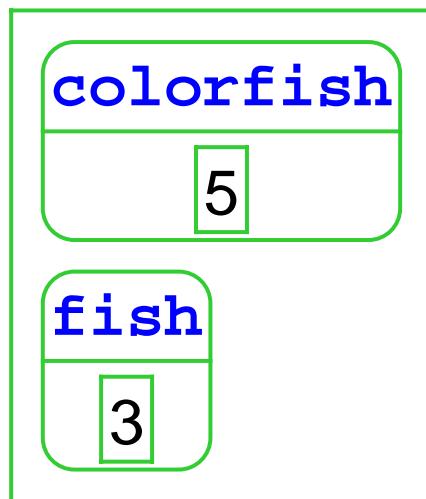


Object Implementation Overview

- **Inheritance:** superclass chain for fields and methods, part chain for objects
- **Overriding:** method dispatch uses object tag
- **Super calls:** `%super` hidden variable contains superclass name

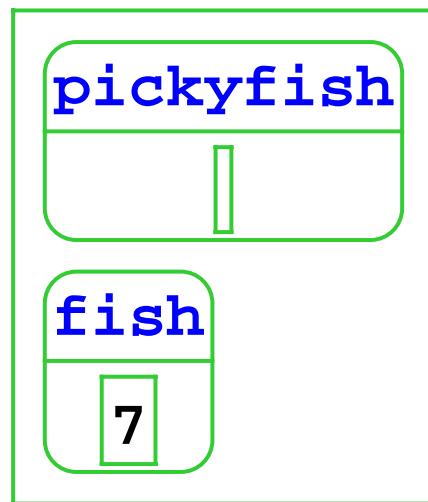
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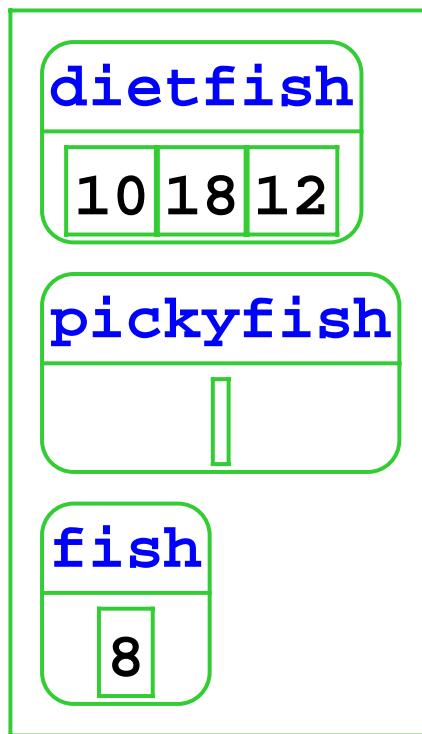
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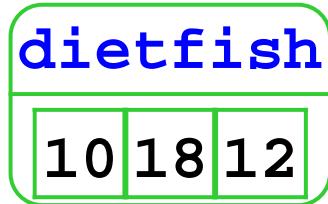
```
class dietfish
  extends pickyfish
  field carbos
  field sodium
  field cholesterol
...
```



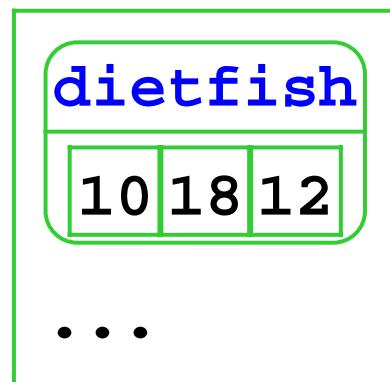
- Use part vectors in environments

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```
(define-datatype part part?
  (a-part
    (class-name symbol? )
    (fields vector?)))
```

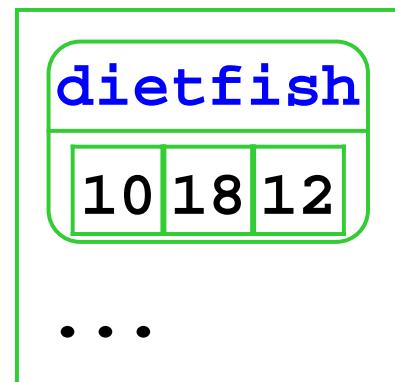


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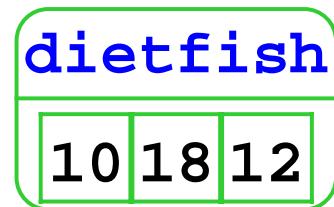
Object Representation

```
;; new-object : sym -> object
(define (new-object cls-name)
  (if (eq? cls-name 'object)
      '()
      (let ([c-decl (lookup-class cls-name)])
        (cons
         (make-first-part c-decl)
         (new-object (class-decl->super-name
                     c-decl)))))))
```



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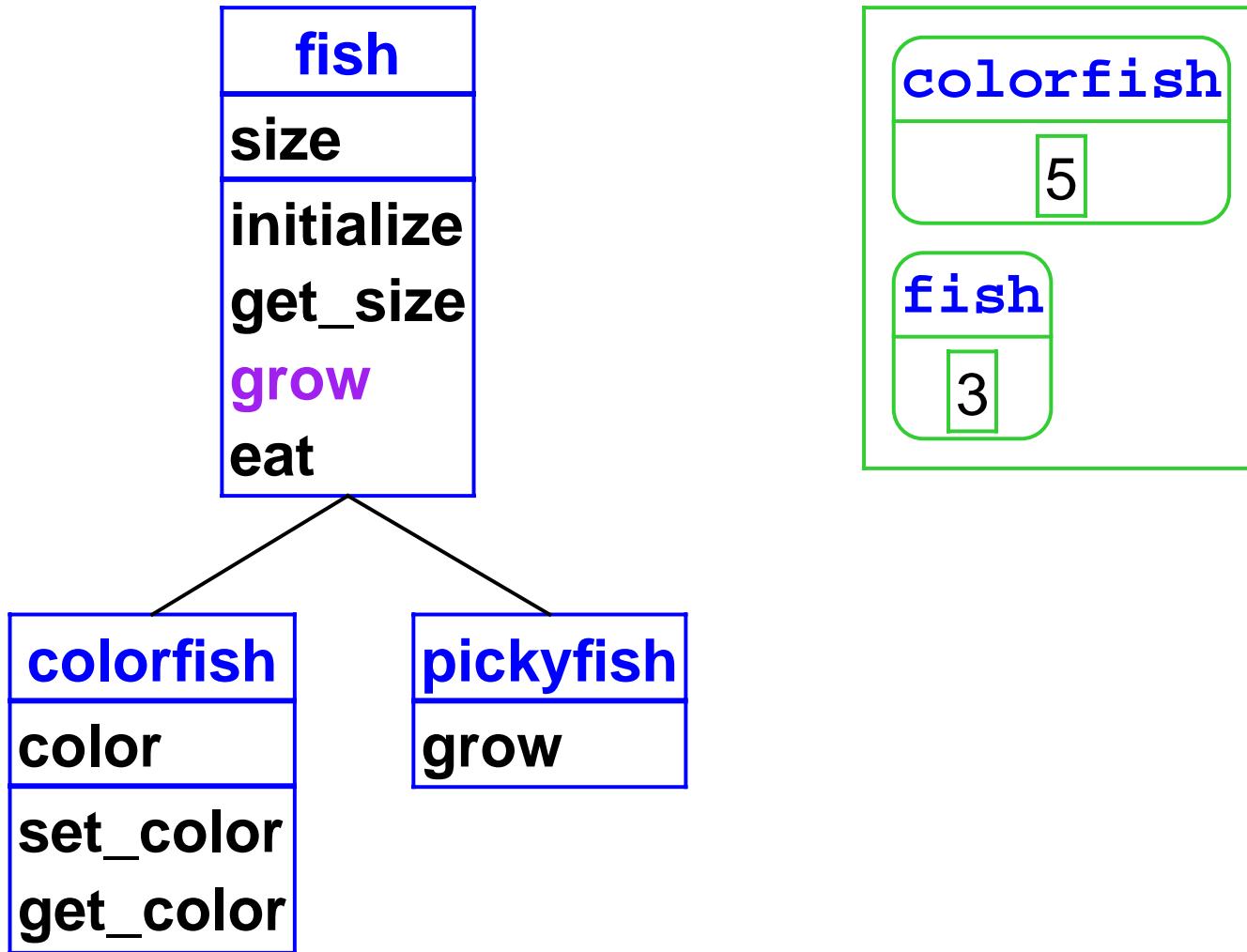
```
;; make-first-part : class-decl -> part
(define (make-first-part c-decl)
  (a-part
    (class-decl->class-name c-decl)
    (make-vector
      (length (class-decl->field-ids
        c-decl)))))
```



Method Search

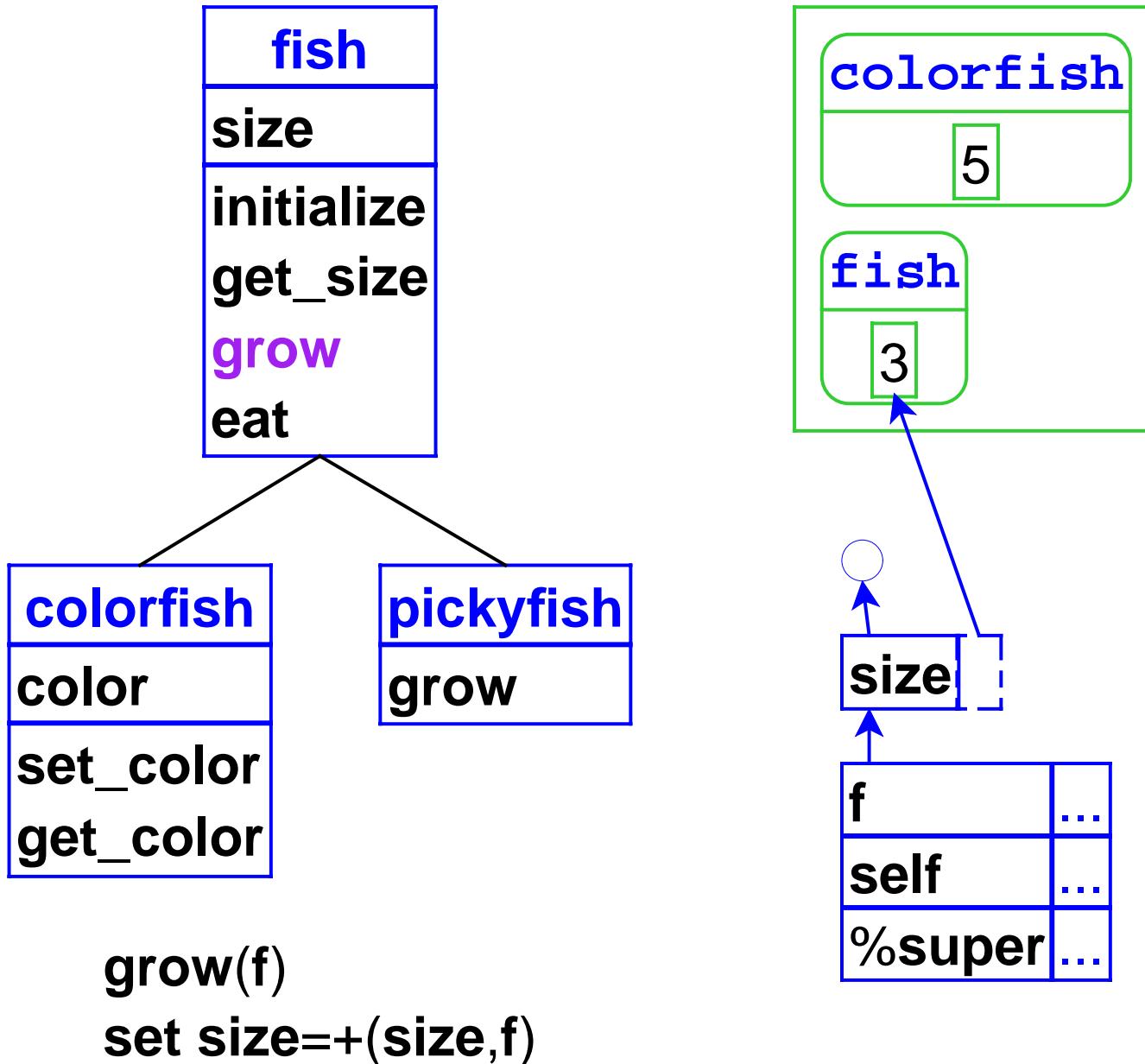
```
(define find-method-and-apply
  (lambda (m-name host-name self args)
    (if (eq? host-name 'object)
        (eopl:error ...); not found
        (let ([m-decl
              (lookup-method-decl
               m-name
               (class-name->method-decls
                host-name))])
          (if (method-decl? m-decl)
              (apply-method m-decl host-name
                            self args)
              (find-method-and-apply m-name
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                                     host-name)
                                    self args)))))))
```

Method Application

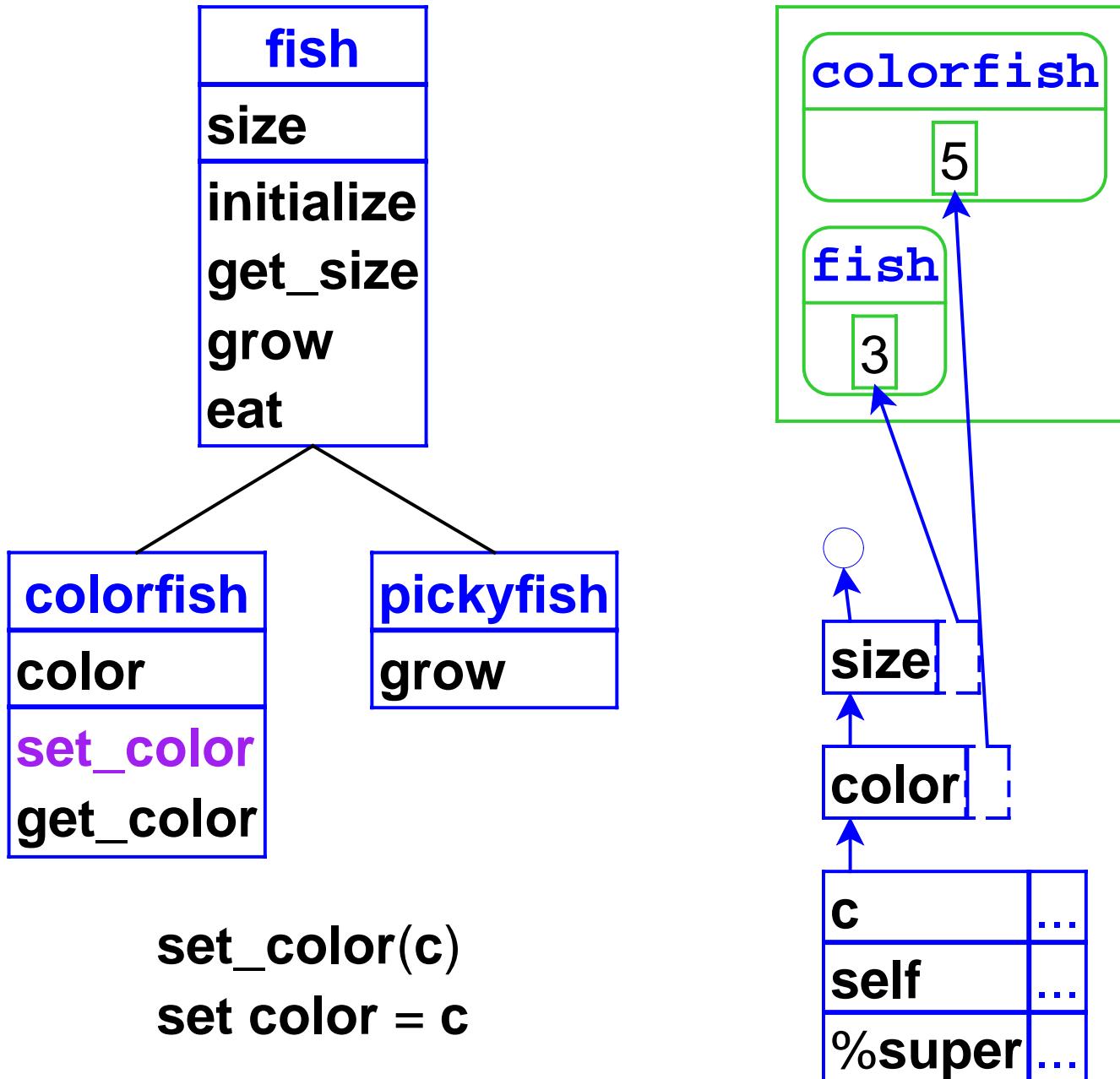


grow(f)
set size=+(size,f)

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set_color(c)

set color = c

Method Application

```
;; apply-method : method-decl sym object
;;                      lstof-expval -> expval
(define apply-method
  (lambda (m-decl host-name self args)
    (let ([ids (method-decl->ids m-decl)]
          [body (method-decl->body m-decl)])
      [super-name
       (class-name->super-name host-name)])
    (eval-expression
     body
     (extend-env
      (cons '%super (cons 'self ids))
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     (build-field-env
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                      host-name)))))))
```

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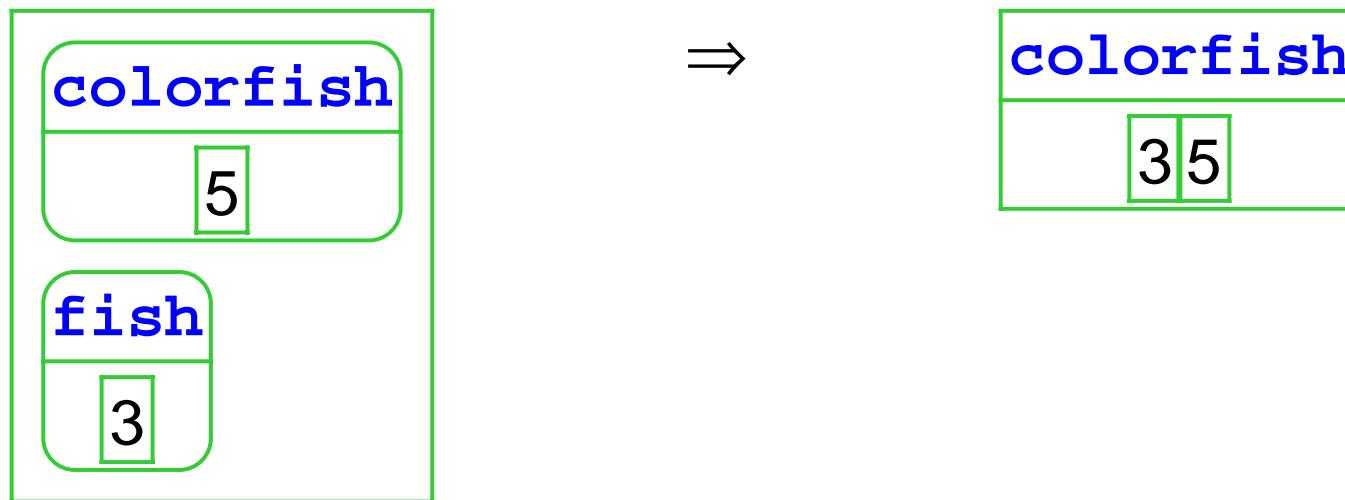
```
;; view-object-as : object sym -> lstof-part
(define (view-object-as parts class-name)
  (if (eq? (part->class-name (car parts))
            class-name)
      parts
      (view-object-as (cdr parts) class-name)))  
  
;; build-field-env : lstof-parts -> env
(define (build-field-env parts)
  (if (null? parts)
      (empty-env)
      (extend-env-refs
        (part->field-ids (car parts))
        (part->fields (car parts))
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```

Complete Implementation

(implement in DrScheme)

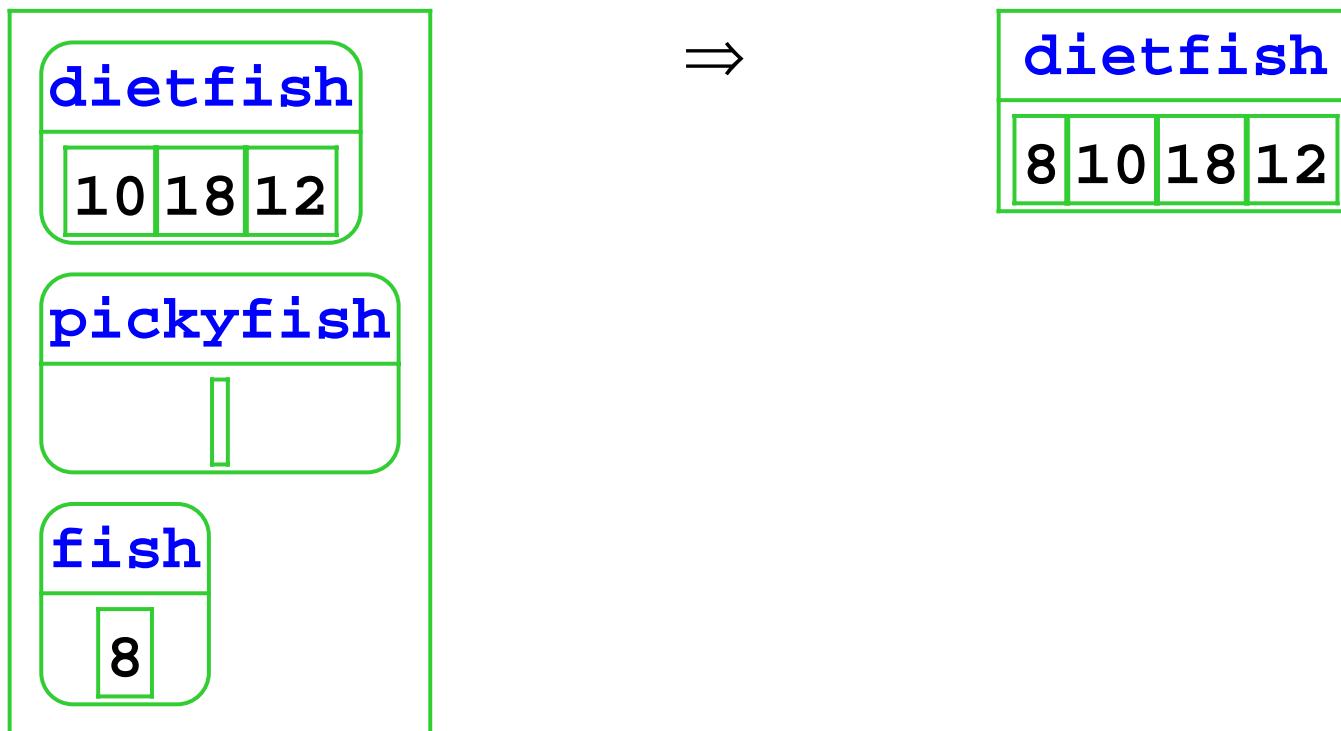
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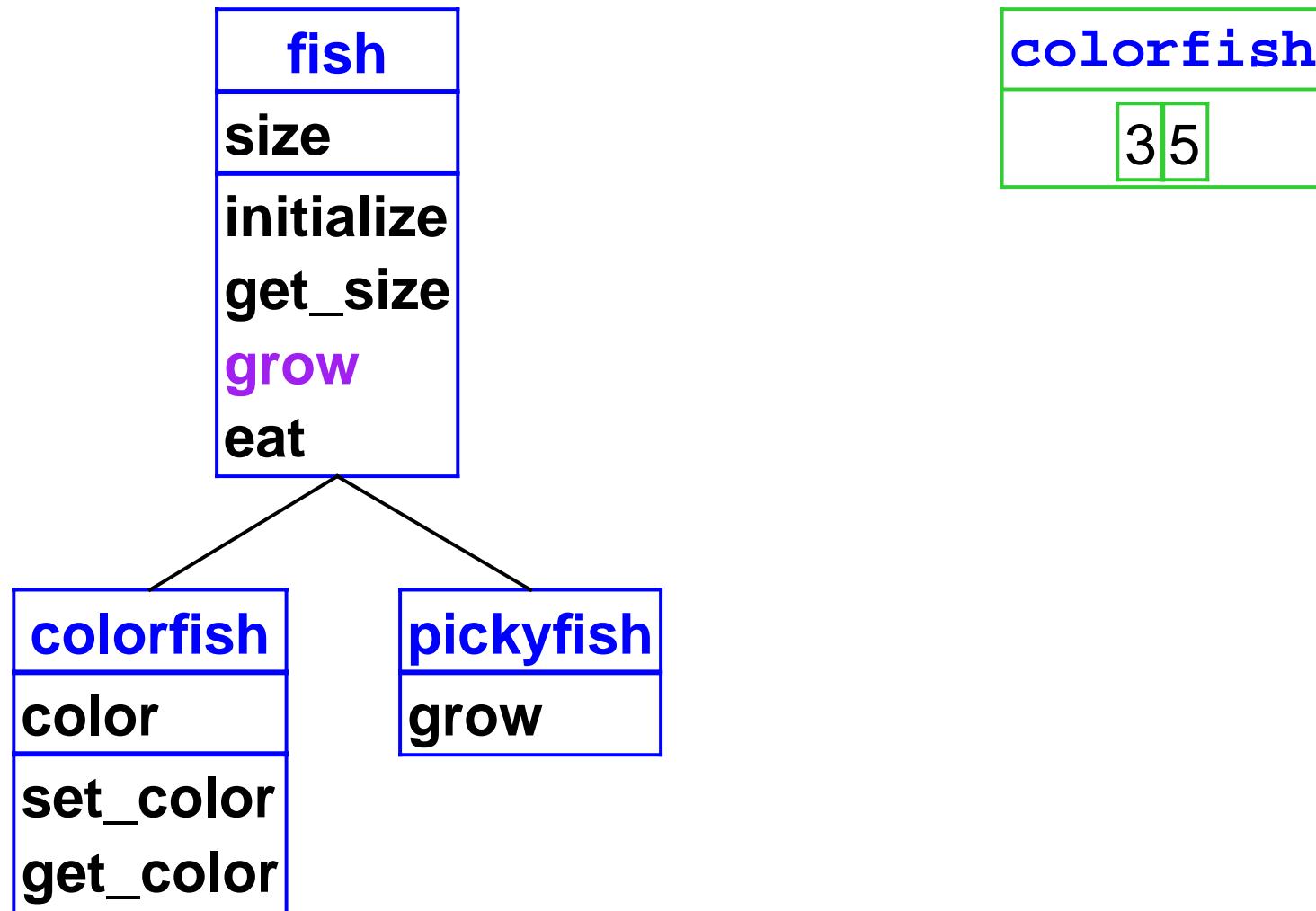
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  (an-object
    (class-name symbol?))
  (fields vector?)))  
  
;; new-object : sym -> object
(define (new-object class-name)
  (an-object
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    (make-vector
      (roll-up-field-length class-name)))))
```

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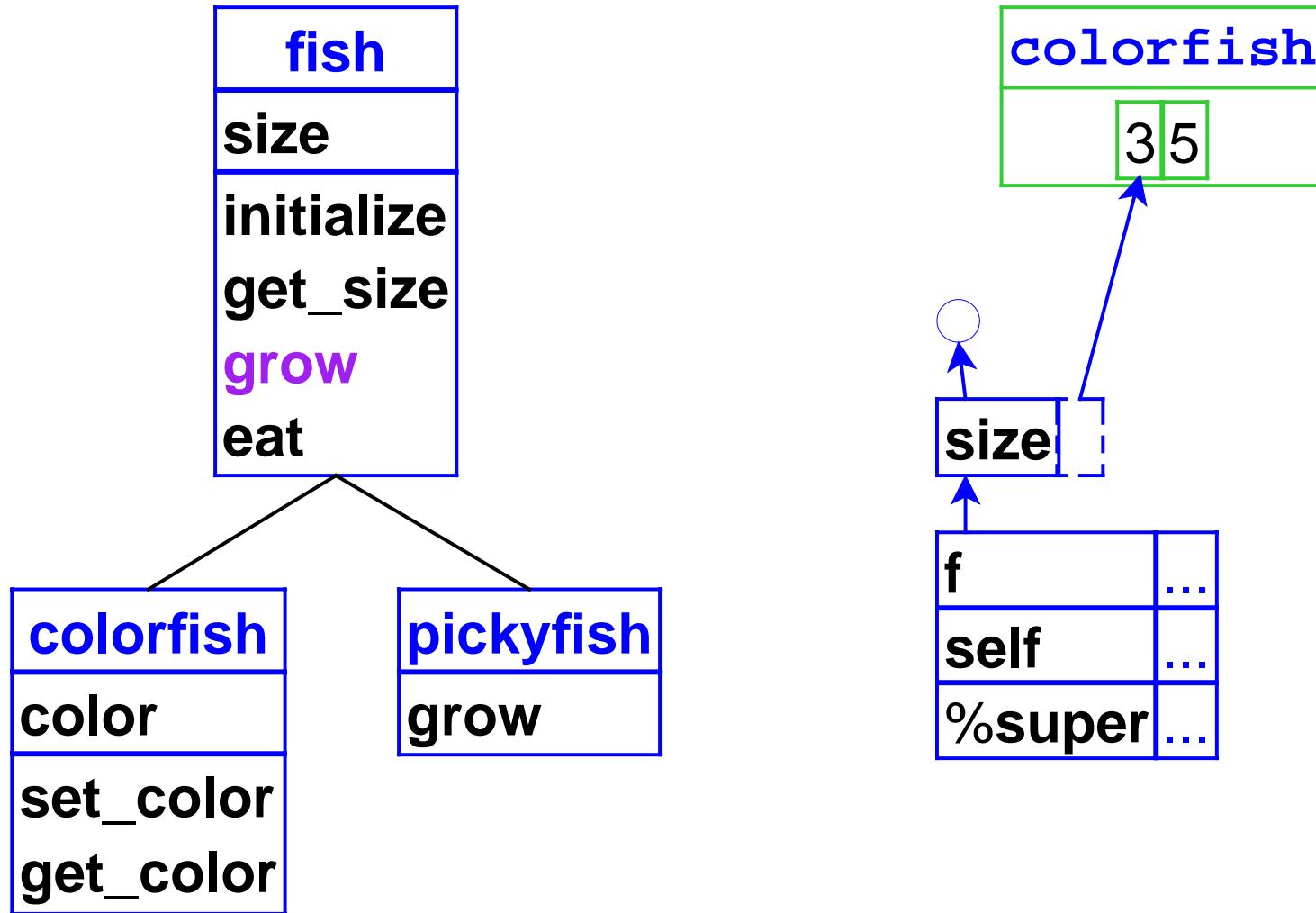
```
;; roll-up-field-length : sym -> num
(define roll-up-field-length
  (lambda (class-name)
    (if (eqv? class-name 'object)
        0
        (+ (roll-up-field-length
              (class-name->super-name
                class-name))
            (length
              (class-name->field-ids
                class-name)))))))
```

Method Application with Flat Objects



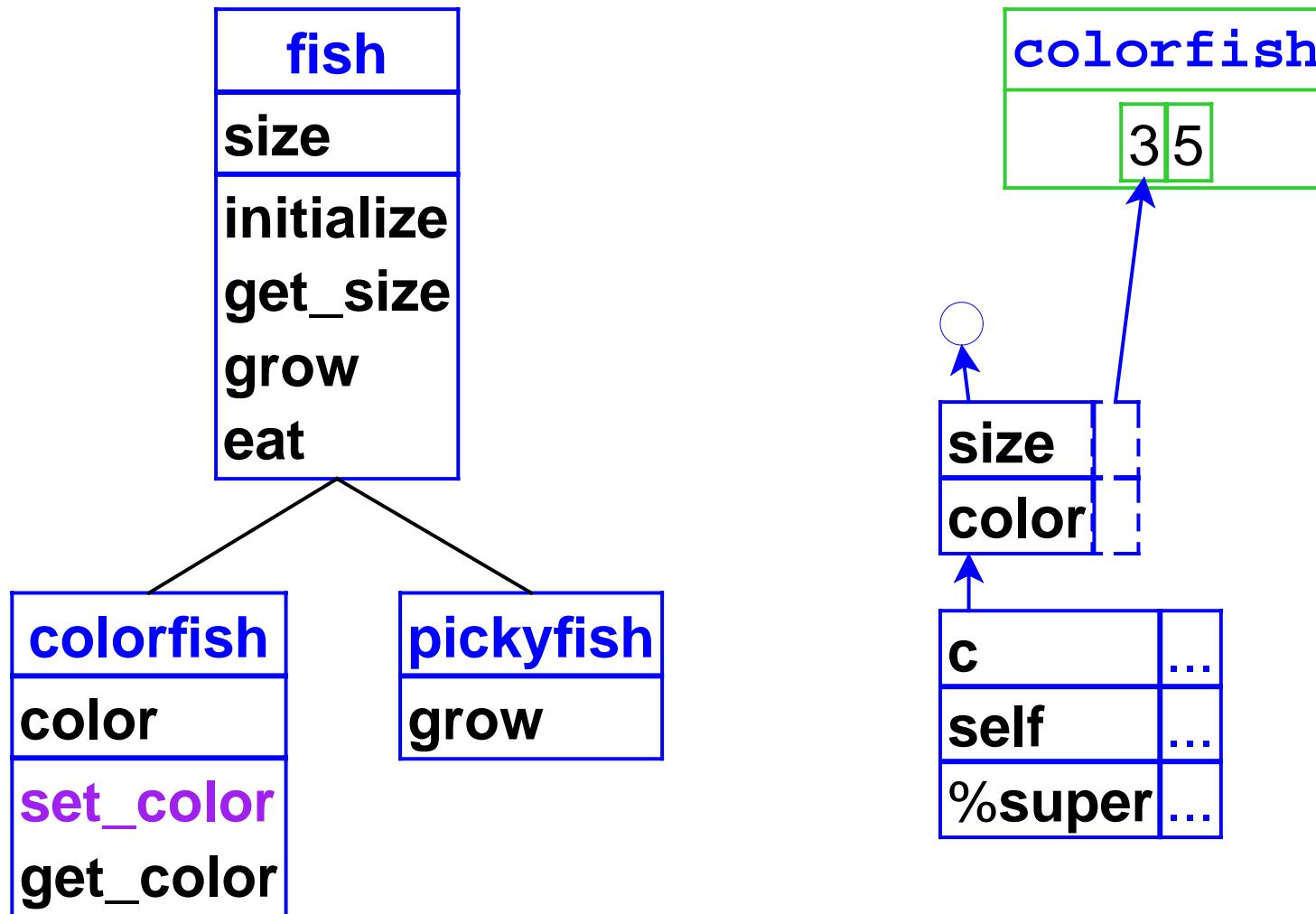
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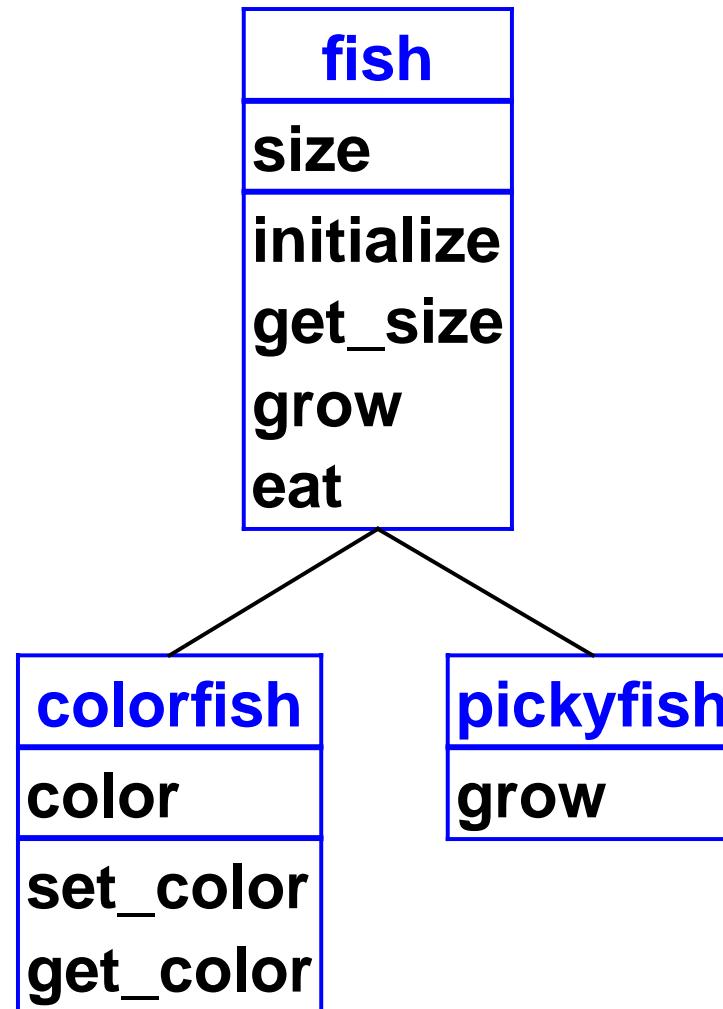
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(define apply-method
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    (let ([ids (method-decl->ids m-decl)]
          [body (method-decl->body m-decl)])
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      [fields (object->fields self)])
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```

Complete Implementation of Flat Objects

(implement in DrScheme)

A More Realistic Class Representation

Eliminate tree walks: object creation, method calls



Object Creation without Tree Walks

Current interpreter:

1. Find class
2. Get field list (walk tree)
3. Allocate field array and object

To eliminate tree walks:

2. Extract flat field list from class

Method Calls without Tree Walks

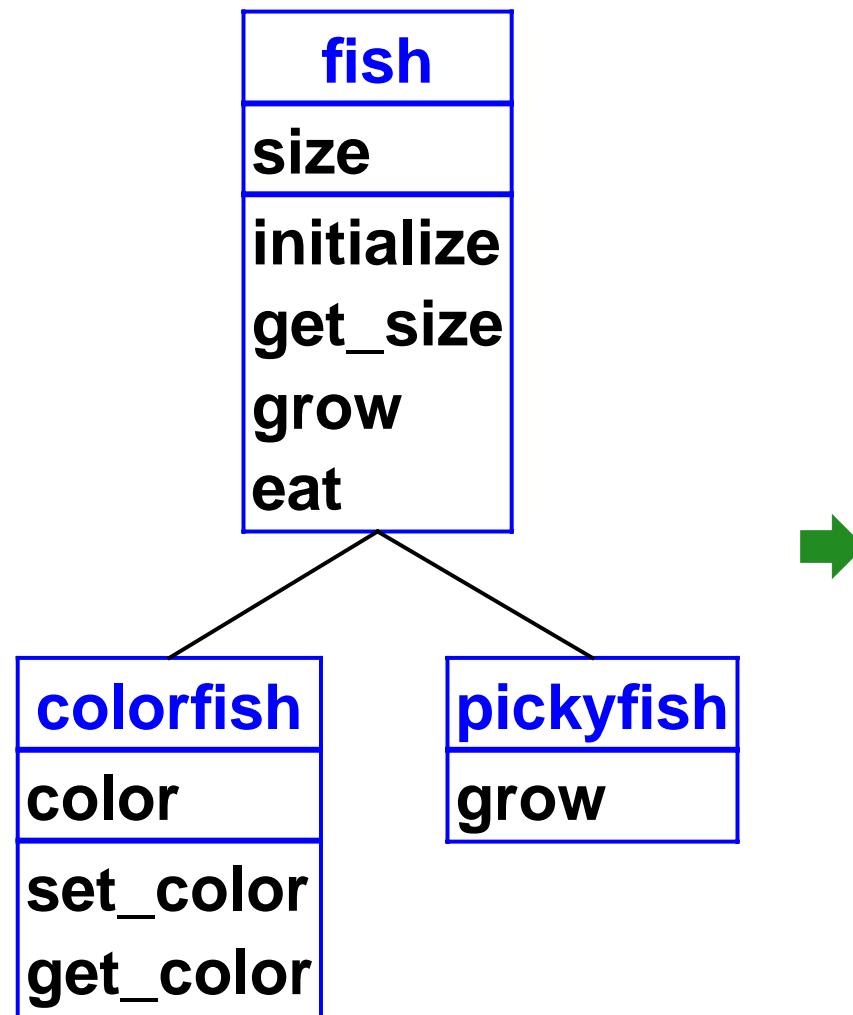
After object and arguments are determined:

1. Lookup object class
2. Find class containing method (walk tree)
3. Get field variables for class (walk tree)
4. Create environment: fields + %super + self + args
5. Evaluate method body

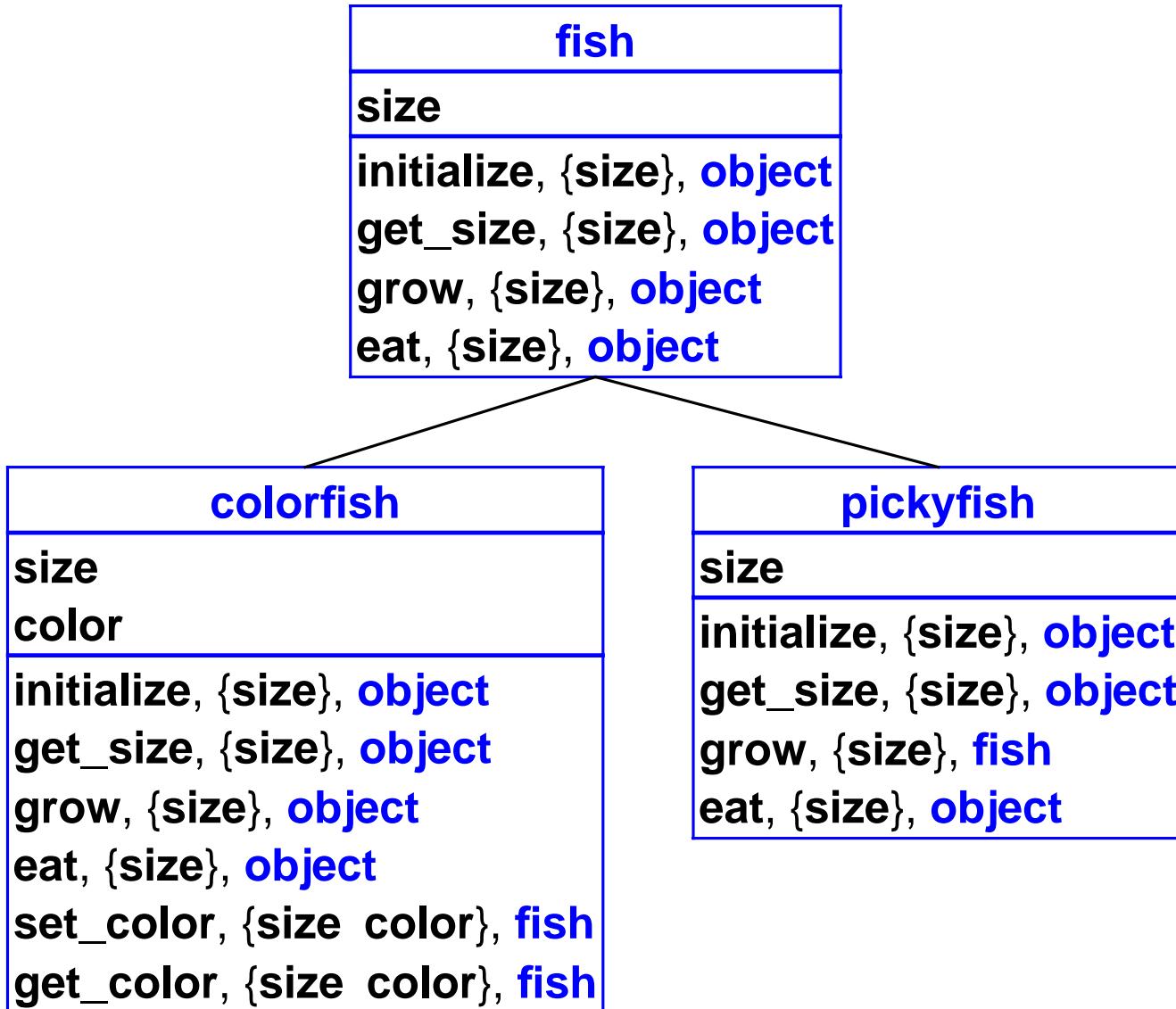
To eliminate tree walks:

2 & 3. Find method in current class, extract field list and superclass name

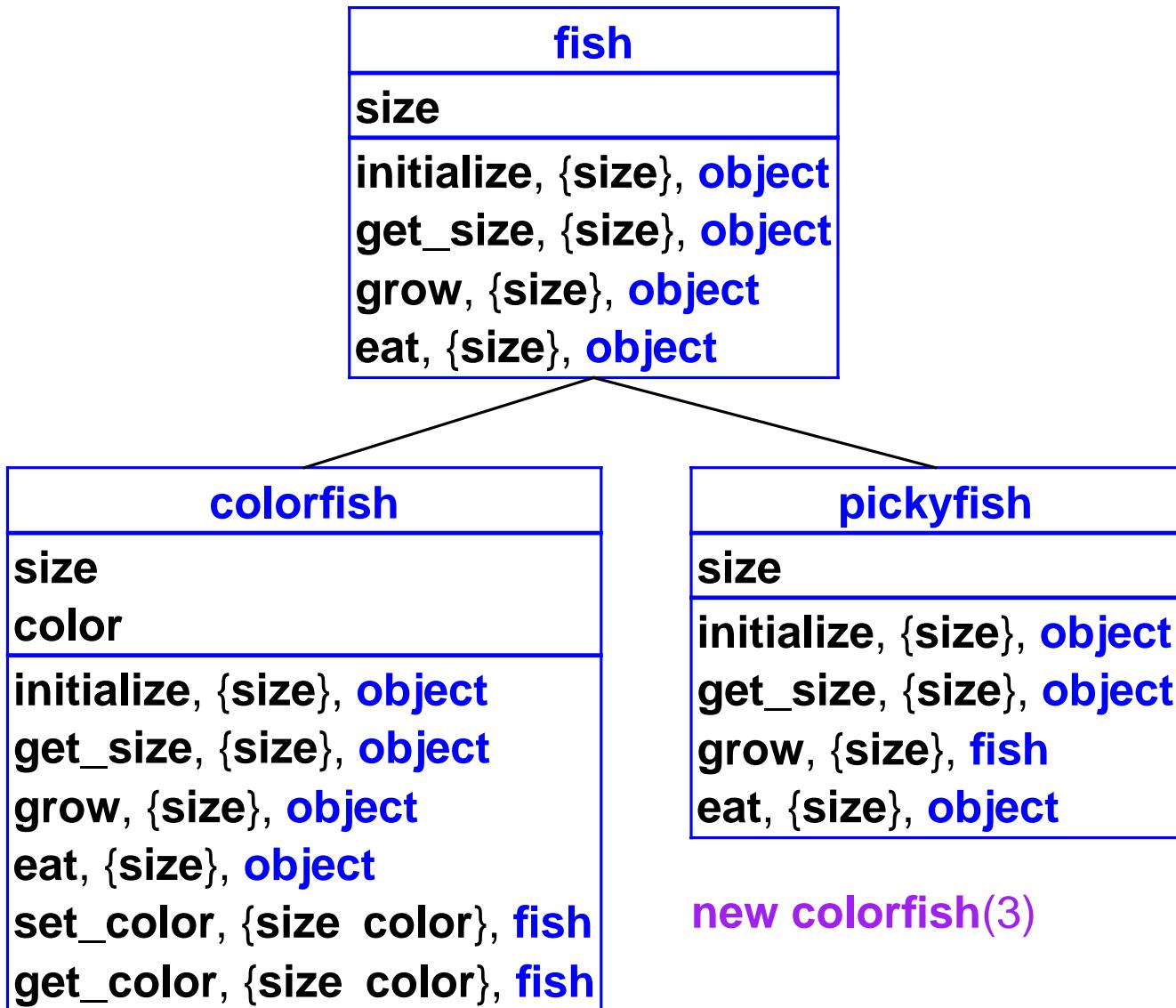
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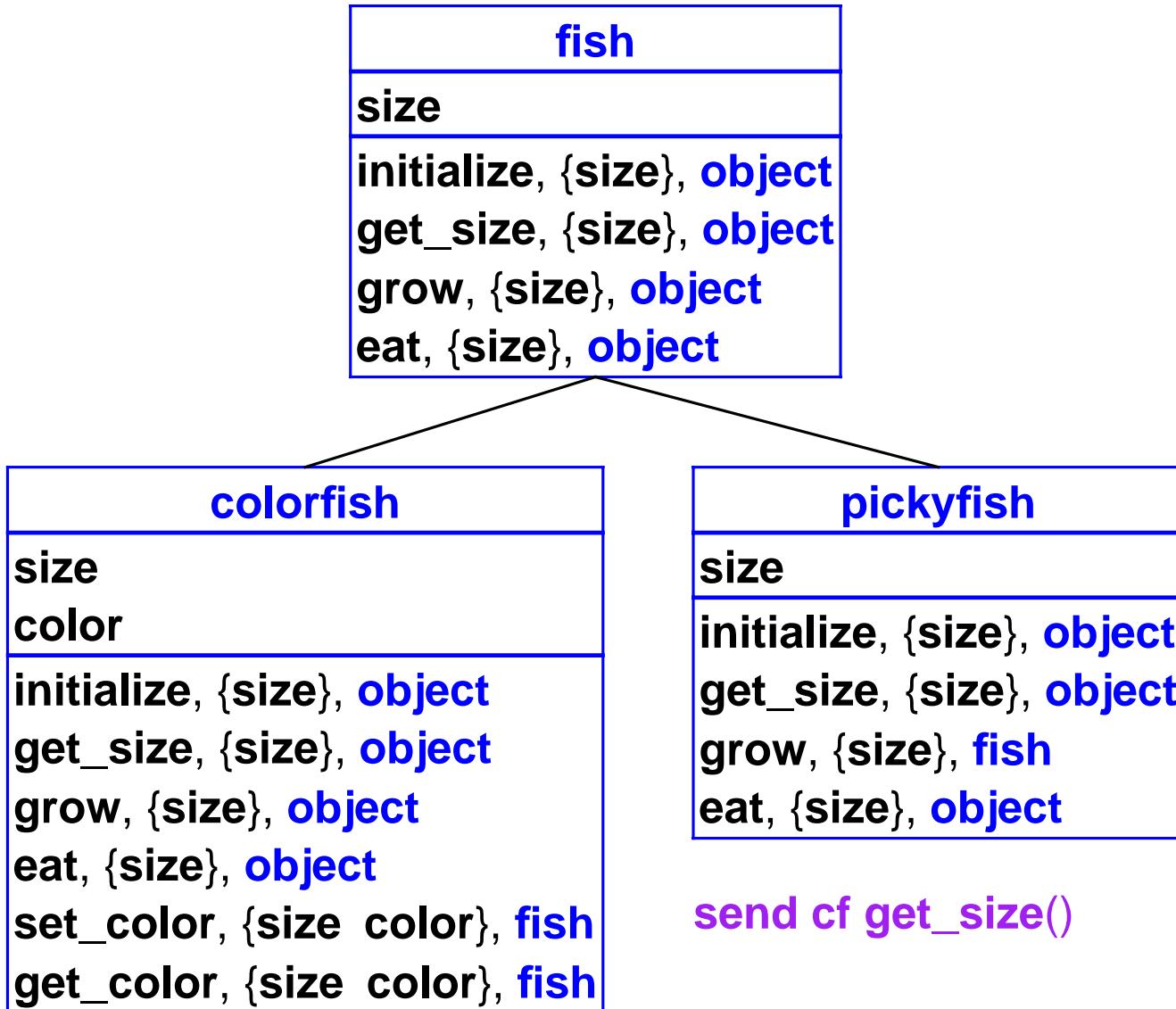
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Implementation

- Change `elaborate-class-decls!` to build annotated tree
- Change `new-object` to use class's immediate field list
- Change `apply-method` to work with annotated methods
(implement in DrScheme)