

Java Programming



Lesson 7 - Inheritance



WHAT WILL YOU LEARN IN THIS SESSION ?

- Inheritance in Java
- Types of Inheritance in Java

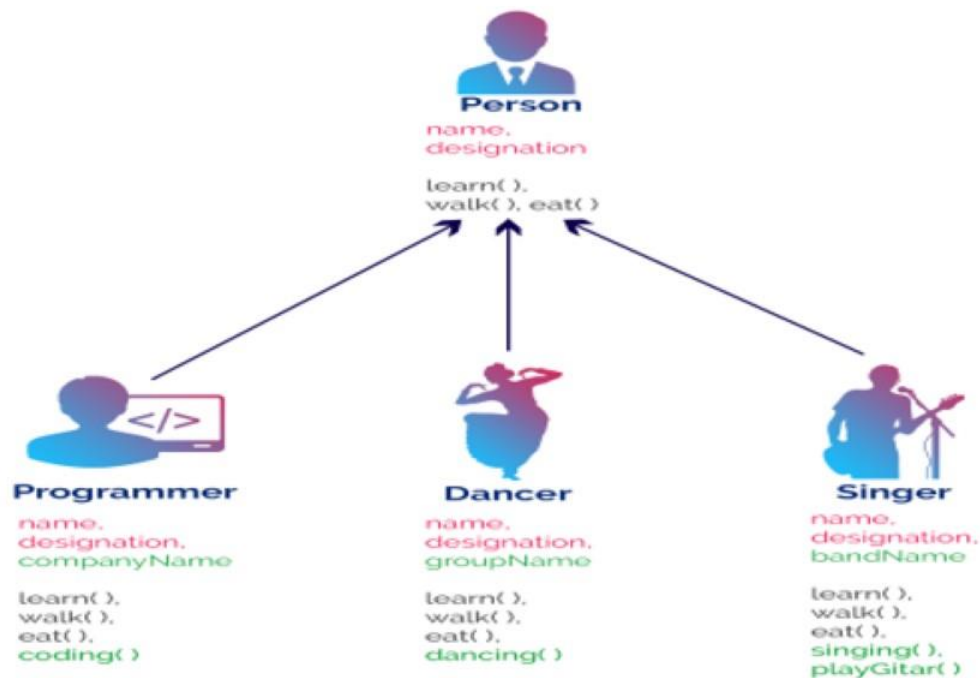
Inheritance in Java

- Is a mechanism in which one object acquires all the properties and behaviors of a parent object.
- Idea behind inheritance in Java is that you can create new classes that are built upon existing classes.
- When you inherit from an existing class, you can reuse methods and fields of the parent class.
- Moreover, we can add new methods and fields in your current class also.

Why use inheritance in java

- For Method Overriding
- For Code Reusability.

Example



Terms used in Inheritance

- **Sub Class/Child Class:** Subclass is a class which inherits the other class. It is also called a derived class, extended class, or child class.
- **Super Class/Parent Class:** Superclass is the class from where a subclass inherits the features. It is also called a base class or a parent class

Syntax of Java Inheritance

```
class Subclass-name extends Superclass-name  
{  
    //methods and fields  
}
```


Java Inheritance Example

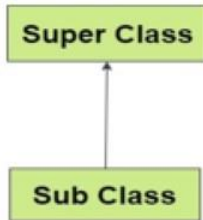
```
class Employee{  
    float salary=40000;  
}  
  
class Programmer extends Employee{  
    int bonus=10000;  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        Programmer p=new Programmer();  
        System.out.println("Programmer salary is:"+p.salary);  
        System.out.println("Bonus of Programmer is:"+p.bonus);  
    }  
}
```

Output:**Programmer salary is:40000.0****Bonus of programmer is:10000**

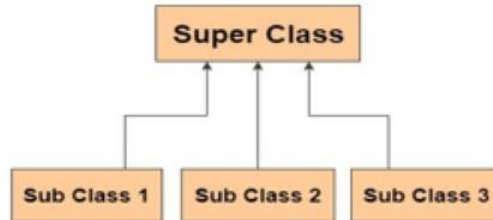


Types of Inheritance

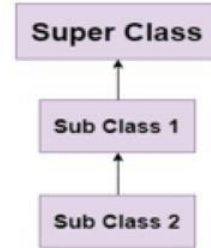
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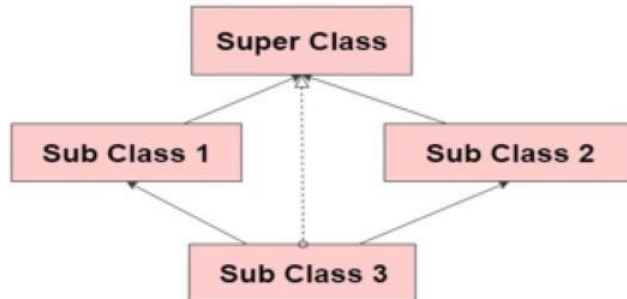
Hierarchical Inheritance



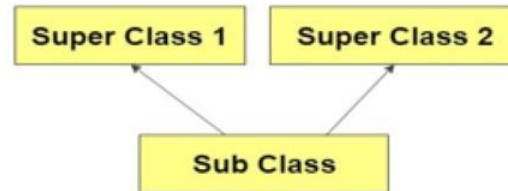
MultiLevel Inheritance



Hybrid Inheritance



Multiple Inheritance



Single Inheritance

```
class Animal{  
    void eat()    { System.out.println("eating..."); }  
}  
  
class Dog extends Animal {  
    void bark() { System.out.println("barking..."); }  
}  
  
class TestInheritance{  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        Dog d=new Dog();  
        d.bark();  
        d.eat();  
    }  
}
```

Output:
Barking...
eating...

Multilevel Inheritance Example

```
class Animal{  
void eat()  
{ System.out.println("eating..."); }  
}  
class Dog extends Animal{  
void bark()  
{ System.out.println("barking..."); }  
}  
class BabyDog extends Dog{  
void weep()  
{ System.out.println("weeping..."); }  
}
```

```
class TestInheritance2{  
public static void main(String args[]){  
    BabyDog d=new BabyDog();  
    d.weep();  
    d.bark();  
    d.eat();  
}}
```

Output :
weeping...
barking...
eating...

Hierarchical Inheritance Example

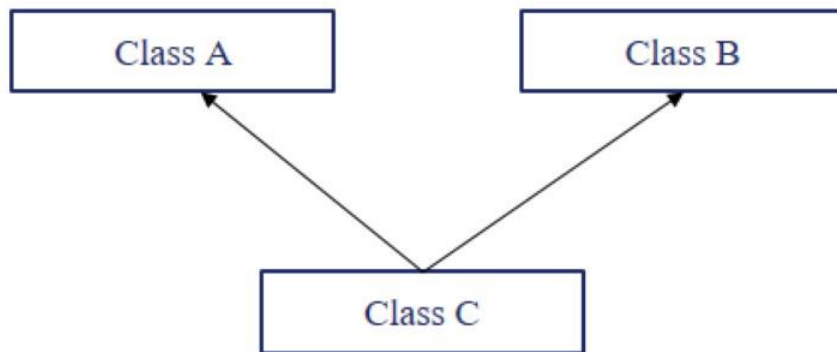
```
class Animal{  
    void eat()  
    { System.out.println("eating..."); }  
}  
  
class Dog extends Animal{  
    void bark()  
    { System.out.println("barking..."); }  
}
```

```
class Cat extends Animal{  
    void meow()  
    { System.out.println("meowing..."); }  
}  
  
class TestInheritance3{  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        Cat c=new Cat();  
        c.meow();  
        c.eat();  
        //c.bark();  
    }  
}
```

Output:
meowing...
eating...

Multiple inheritance

One subclass extends more than one super class



Why multiple inheritance is not supported in java?

```
class A{  
    void msg() {System.out.println("Hello");  
}  
}  
  
class B{  
    void msg()  
    {System.out.println("Welcome");}  
}
```

```
class C extends A,B  
{  
    public static void main(String args[])  
    {  
        C obj=new C();  
        obj.msg();  
        //Now which msg() method would be invoked?  
    }  
}
```