INTRODUCTION

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Unit – III Inheritance, Interface, Package

Introduction

- Inheritance in java is a mechanism in which one object acquires all the properties and behaviors of parent object.
- The 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 parent class, and you can add new methods and fields also.
- Inheritance represents the IS-A relationship, also known as <u>parent-child relationship.</u>

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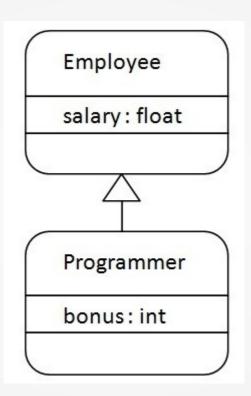
- Why use inheritance in java
 - For Method Overriding
 - For Code Reusability.

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Syntax of Java Inheritance
class Subclass-name extends Superclass-name
{
    //methods and fields
}
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The extends keyword indicates that you are making a new class that derives from an existing class. The meaning of "extends" is to increase the functionality.

In the terminology of Java, a class which is inherited is called parent or super class and the new class is called child or subclass.

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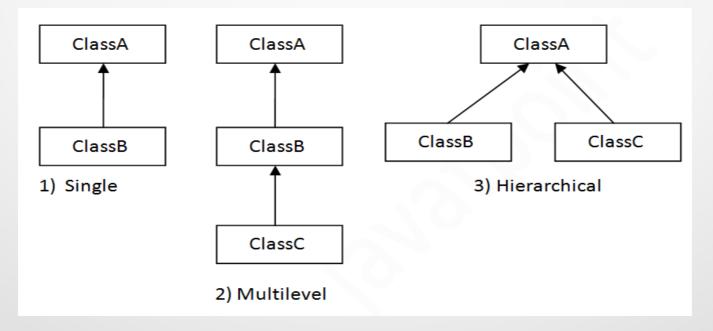


As displayed in the above figure, Programmer is the subclass and Employee is the superclass. Relationship between two classes is Programmer IS-A Employee.

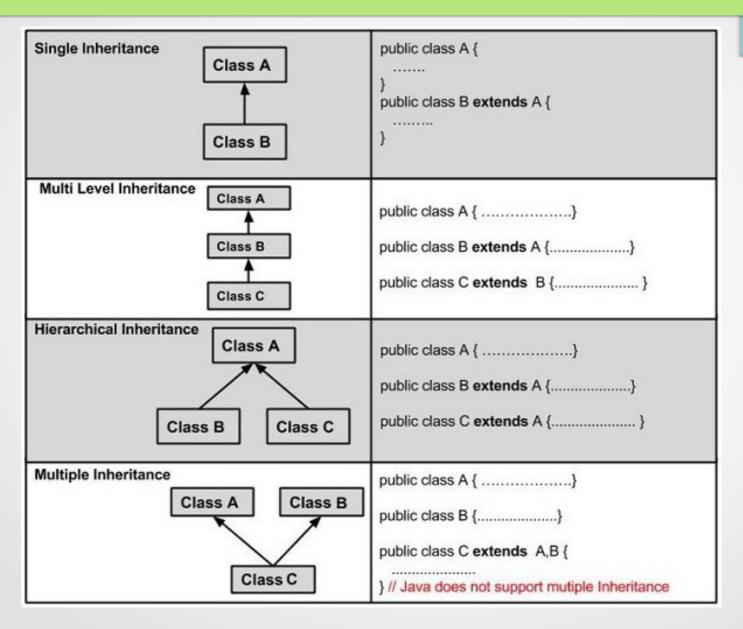
It means that Programmer is a type of Employee.

Types of Inheritance

- On the basis of class, there can be three types of inheritance in java: single, multilevel and hierarchical.
- In java programming, <u>multiple and hybrid inheritance is</u> <u>supported through interface only</u>.
- Multiple inheritance is not supported in java through class.



Types of Inheritance



Why multiple inheritance is not supported in java?

- To reduce the complexity and simplify the language, multiple inheritance is not supported in java.
- Consider a scenario where A, B and C are three classes. The C class inherits A and B classes.
- If A and B classes have same method and you call it from child class object, there will be ambiguity to call method of A or B class.
- Since compile time errors are better than runtime errors, java renders compile time error if you inherit 2 classes.
- So whether you have same method or different, there will be compile time error now.

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Method Overriding

- If subclass (child class) has the same method as declared in the parent class, it is known as method overriding in java.
- In other words, If subclass provides the specific implementation of the method that has been provided by one of its parent class, it is known as method overriding.

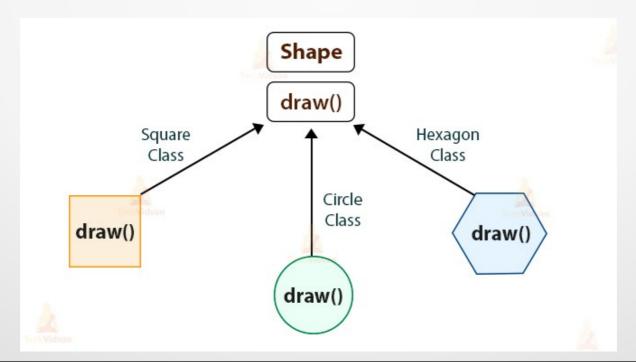
Usage of Java Method Overriding

- Method overriding is used to provide specific implementation of a method that is already provided by its super class.
- Method overriding is used for runtime polymorphism

Example of Method Overriding

Rules for Java Method Overriding

- Method must have same name as in the parent class
- Method must have same parameter as in the parent class.
- Must be IS-A relationship (inheritance).



Super keyword in java

- The super keyword in java is a reference variable which is used to refer immediate parent class object.
- Whenever you create the instance of subclass, an instance of parent class is created implicitly which is referred by super reference variable.

Usage of java super Keyword:

- super can be used to refer immediate parent class instance variable.
- super can be used to invoke immediate parent class method.
- super() can be used to invoke immediate parent class constructor.

super() is added in each class constructor automatically by compiler if there is no super() or this().

Final keyword in java

- The final keyword in java is used to restrict the user.
- The java final keyword can be used in many context.
- Final can be:
 - Variable
 - Method
 - Class
- The final keyword can be applied with the variables, a final variable that have no value it is called blank final variable or uninitialized final variable.
- It can be initialized in the constructor only.
- The blank final variable can be static also which will be initialized in the static block only.

Final keyword

- Final Variable
 - If you make any variable as final, you cannot change the value of final variable(It will be constant).
- Final method
 - If you make any method as final, you cannot override it.
- Final class
 - If you make any class as final, you cannot extend it.

Final Keyword

Java Final Keyword

- ⇒ Stop Value Change
- ⇒ Stop Method Overridding
- ⇒ Stop Inheritance

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Final Variable To create constant variables

Final Methods Prevent Method Overriding

Final Classes Prevent Inheritance

Abstract keyword

- A class that is declared with abstract keyword, is known as abstract class in java.
- It can have abstract and non-abstract methods (method with body).
- Abstraction is a process of hiding the implementation details and showing only functionality to the user.
- There are two ways to achieve abstraction in java
 - Abstract class
 - Interface

Abstract keyword

Abstract class

- A class that is declared as abstract is known as abstract class.
- It needs to be extended and its method implemented.
- It cannot be instantiated.
- Example

abstract class A{}

Some rules of Abstract Class

- An abstract class must be declared with an abstract keyword.
- It can have abstract and non-abstract methods.
- It cannot be instantiated.
- It can have constructors and static methods also.
- It can have final methods which will force the subclass not to change the body of the method.

Some rules of Abstract Method

- If there is any abstract method in a class, that class must be abstract.
- If you are extending any abstract class that have abstract method, you must either provide the implementation of the method or make this class abstract.

Abstract Method

Abstract method

- A method that is declared as abstract and does not have implementation is known as abstract method.
- Example

abstract void printStatus();//no body and abstract

Why Interfaces?

public class extends Animal, Mammal{}

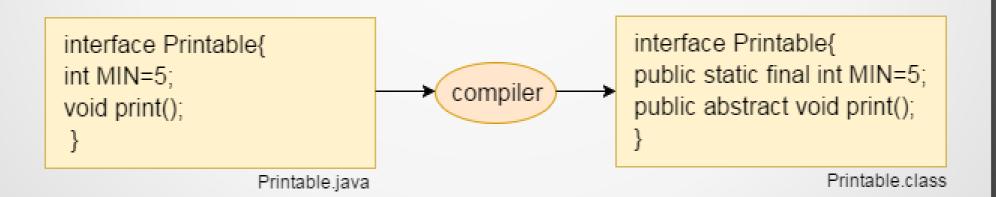
- However, a class can implement one or more interfaces, which has helped Java get rid of the impossibility of multiple inheritances.
- The reason behind this is to prevent ambiguity.
- Consider a case where class B extends class A and Class C and both class A and C have the same method display().
- Now java compiler cannot decide, which display method it should inherit. To prevent such situation, multiple inheritances is not allowed in java.

Interfaces in Java

- An interface in java is a blueprint of a class.
- It has static constants and abstract methods.
- The interface in java is a mechanism to achieve abstraction.
- There can be only abstract methods in the java interface not method body.
- It is used to achieve abstraction and multiple inheritance in Java.
- Java Interface also represents IS-A relationship.
- It cannot be instantiated just like abstract class.
- By interface, we can support the functionality of multiple inheritance.

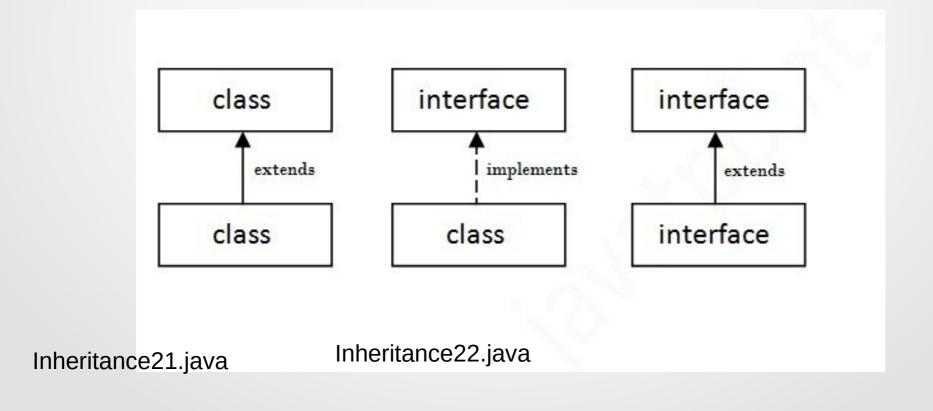
Interfaces in Java

- The java compiler adds public and abstract keywords before the interface method. More, it adds public, static and final keywords before data members.
- In other words, Interface fields are public, static and final by default, and methods are public and abstract.



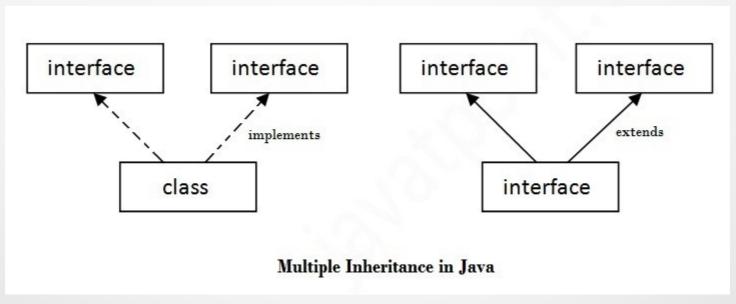
Understanding relationship between classes and interfaces

 As shown in the figure given below, a class extends another class, an interface extends another interface but a class implements an interface.



Multiple Inheritance in Java

 If a class implements multiple interfaces, or an interface extends multiple interfaces i.e. known as multiple inheritance.



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Interfaces in Java

 A class implements interface but one interface extends another interface.

Interface v/s Abstract class

Interface	Abstract Class
Declared using the keyword interface.	Declared using the keyword abstract.
Multiple Inheritance is possible.	Multiple Inheritance is not possible.
Implements keyword is used to inherit an inheritance	Extends keyword is used to inherit a class.
By default, all methods in an interface are public and abstract ; need to tag it as public and abstract	Methods have to be tagged as public or abstract or both if required.
Interfaces have no implementation at all.	Abstract classes can have partial implementation.
All methods of an interface need to be overridden.	Only abstract methods need to be overridden.
All variables declared in an interface are by default public, static or final.	Variables have to be declared as public, static or final.
Interfaces do not have any constructors.	Abstract classes can have constructors.
Methods in an interface cannot be static.	Non-abstract methods can be static.
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Abstract class	Interface
) Abstract class can have abstract and non-abstract methods.	Interface can have only abstract methods. Since Java 8, it can have default and static methods also.
) Abstract class doesn't support multiple inheritance.	Interface supports multiple inheritance.
B) Abstract class can have final, non-final, static and non-static variables.	Interface has only static and final variables.
4) Abstract class can provide the implementation of interface.	Interface can't provide the implementation of abstract class.
5) The abstract keyword is used to declare abstract class.	The interface keyword is used to declare interface.
6) An abstract class can extend another Java class and mplement multiple Java interfaces.	An interface can extend another Java interface only.
7) An abstract class can be extended using keyword "extends".	An interface can be implemented using keyword "implements".
8) A Java abstract class can have class members like private, protected, etc.	Members of a Java interface are public by default.
9)Example:	Example:
public abstract class Shape{	public interface Drawable{
public abstract void draw();	void draw();
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