

INHERITANCE

Aim:

To understand and implement inheritance concepts in Java.

PRE LAB EXERCISE

QUESTIONS

- ✓ What is inheritance?
 - Inheritance is an object-oriented concept where one class acquires the properties and methods of another class.
 - The existing class is called the parent or superclass.
 - The new class is called the child or subclass.
 - It helps in code reusability and better organization.

- ✓ What is code reusability?
 - Code reusability means using existing code again without rewriting it.
 - It reduces redundancy in programs.
 - It saves time and effort in development.
 - It makes the program easier to maintain.

- ✓ What is the use of extends keyword?
 - The extends keyword is used to inherit a class in Java.
 - It allows a subclass to access properties and methods of the superclass.
 - It supports code reusability.
 - It represents an *is-a* relationship between classes.

IN LAB EXERCISE

Objective:

To implement all types of inheritance.

PROGRAMS:

Student Result System (Single Inheritance)

Question:

A school wants to store student details and calculate marks. Create a base class Student and a derived class Result.

Code:

```
class Student {  
    String name;  
    int rollNo;  
  
    void getDetails() {  
        name = "Sanjula";  
        rollNo = 243;  
    }  
}  
  
class Result extends Student {  
    int marks = 85;  
  
    void display() {  
        System.out.println("Name: " + name);  
        System.out.println("Roll No: " + rollNo);  
        System.out.println("Marks: " + marks);  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Result r = new Result();
```

```
r.getDetails();  
r.display();  
}  
}
```

Output:

Name: Sanjula

Roll No: 243

Marks: 85

```
[qwaesz@archlinux JAVA]$ cd /home/qwaesz/Documents/  
rt=dt_socket,server=n,suspend=y,address=localhost:45  
ode\ -\ OSS/User/workspaceStorage/7135af0db7e650a731  
Name: Sanjula  
Roll No: 243  
Marks: 85  
[qwaesz@archlinux JAVA]$
```

2. Bank Account System (Hierarchical Inheritance)

Question:

A bank has Savings and Current accounts. Both inherit from a common Account class.

Code:

```
class Account {  
    void showAccountType() {  
        System.out.println("Bank Account");  
    }  
}
```

```
class SavingsAccount extends Account {  
    void interest() {  
        System.out.println("Savings Account gives interest");  
    }  
}
```

```
}
```

```
class CurrentAccount extends Account {  
    void overdraft() {  
        System.out.println("Current Account supports overdraft");  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        SavingsAccount s = new SavingsAccount();  
        CurrentAccount c = new CurrentAccount();  
  
        s.showAccountType();  
        s.interest();  
  
        c.showAccountType();  
        c.overdraft();  
    }  
}
```

Output:

Bank Account

Savings Account gives interest

Bank Account

Current Account supports overdraft

```
[qwaesz@archlinux JAVA]$ cd /home/qwaesz/Documents/
rt=dt_socket,server=n,suspend=y,address=localhost:32
ode\ -\ OSS/User/workspaceStorage/7135af0db7e650a731
Bank Account
Savings Account gives interest
Bank Account
Current Account supports overdraft
[qwaesz@archlinux JAVA]$
```

3. Vehicle System (Multilevel Inheritance)

Question:

A company classifies vehicles as Vehicle → Car → ElectricCar.

Code:

```
class Vehicle {
    void start() {
        System.out.println("Vehicle starts");
    }
}

class Car extends Vehicle {
    void fuelType() {
        System.out.println("Car uses petrol");
    }
}

class ElectricCar extends Car {
    void battery() {
        System.out.println("Electric car uses battery");
    }
}

public class Main {
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    ElectricCar e = new ElectricCar();  
    e.start();  
    e.fuelType();  
    e.battery();  
}  
}
```

Output:

Vehicle starts

Car uses petrol

Electric car uses battery

```
[qwaesz@archlinux JAVA]$ cd /home/qwaesz/Documents/; ./startVehicle -rt=dt_socket,server=n,suspend=y,address=localhost:41000\ -\ OSS/User/workspaceStorage/7135af0db7e650a73100000000000000  
Vehicle starts  
Car uses petrol  
Electric car uses battery  
[qwaesz@archlinux JAVA]$
```

POST LAB EXERCISE

- ✓ Why Java does not support multiple inheritance using classes and how it is implemented?
 - Java does not support multiple inheritance using classes to avoid ambiguity.
 - If two parent classes have methods with the same name, the compiler cannot decide which one to inherit (diamond problem).
 - This can lead to complexity and confusion in method execution.
 - Java achieves multiple inheritance using **interfaces**, where method conflicts are handled using implementation rules.
 - ✓ What is the role of the super keyword? Give examples.

- The super keyword is used to refer to the immediate parent class object.
- It is used to access parent class variables.
- It is used to call parent class methods.
- It is used to invoke the parent class constructor.

```

class Parent {
    int x = 10;
}

class Child extends Parent {
    int x = 20;
    void display() {
        System.out.println(super.x); // accesses parent variable
    }
}

```

- ✓ Can a child class access private members of the parent class? Why?
- No, a child class cannot directly access private members of the parent class.
 - Private members are accessible only within the same class.
 - This supports data hiding and encapsulation.
 - They can be accessed indirectly using public or protected methods.
- ✓ Explain why hybrid inheritance is not supported in Java.
- Hybrid inheritance involves a combination of multiple inheritance types.
 - It can create ambiguity when two parent classes have the same method.
 - This leads to the diamond problem.
 - To maintain simplicity and avoid confusion, Java does not support hybrid inheritance using classes.

- However, it can be achieved using interfaces.

Result:

Thus the different types of inheritance were implemented and executed successfully.

ASSESSMENT

Description	Max Marks	Marks Awarded
Pre Lab Exercise	5	
In Lab Exercise	10	
Post Lab Exercise	5	
Viva	10	
Total	30	
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