

INHERITANCE

Aim:

To understand and implement inheritance concepts in Java.

PRE LAB EXERCISE

QUESTIONS

1.What is inheritance?

- Inheritance is an object-oriented programming concept where a child class acquires the properties and methods of a parent class.
- It helps in code reuse and establishes a relationship between classes.
- Inheritance improves program structure and maintainability.

2.What is code reusability?

- Code reusability means using existing code in multiple places instead of writing it again.
- It reduces code duplication and saves development time.
- Inheritance, functions, and libraries help achieve code reusability.
- What is the use of extends keyword?

3.The extends keyword is used to create a child class from a parent class.

- It allows the child class to inherit variables and methods of the parent class.
- It is commonly used in languages like Java and C++.

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 = "Anitha";  
        rollNo = 101;  
    }  
}  
  
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: RAM

Roll No: 101

Marks: 85

```
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Name: PARTHIBAN VP  
Roll No: 199
```

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

```
Bank Account
Savings Account gives interest
Bank Account
Current Account supports overdraft
```

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();

}

}

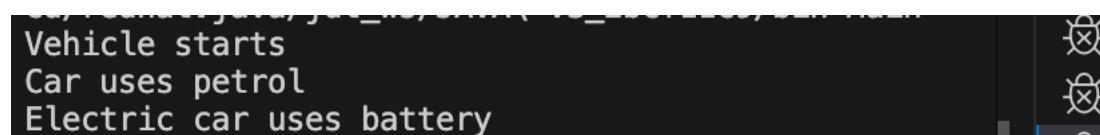
}
```

Output:

Vehicle starts

Car uses petrol

Electric car uses battery



```
Vehicle starts
Car uses petrol
Electric car uses battery
```

POST LAB EXERCISE

1.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 and complexity, such as the diamond problem.
- If two parent classes have the same method, the compiler cannot decide which one to inherit.
- Java implements multiple inheritance using interfaces, where method conflicts are avoided.

2.What is the role of the super keyword? Give examples.

- The super keyword is used to refer to the parent class object.
- It is used to access parent class variables, methods, and constructors.
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- Example:
- `super.display();` → calls parent class method
- `super();` → calls parent class constructor

3.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 restricted to the same class only.
- They can be accessed indirectly using public or protected methods (getters/setters).

4.Explain why hybrid inheritance is not supported in Java.

- Hybrid inheritance involves a combination of multiple inheritance types, which may cause ambiguity.
- Since Java does not support multiple inheritance with classes, hybrid inheritance is also not supported.
- However, Java can achieve hybrid inheritance 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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