

INHERITANCE

Aim:

To understand and implement inheritance concepts in Java.

PRE LAB EXERCISE

QUESTIONS

- ✓ What is inheritance?

Answer: Inheritance is an object-oriented concept where a **child class acquires the properties and methods of a parent class** using the extends keyword. It helps reuse existing code.

- ✓ What is code reusability?

Answer: Code reusability means **using the same code multiple times without rewriting it**. In Java, inheritance allows code reusability by letting child classes use parent class methods.

- ✓ What is the use of extends keyword?

Answer: The extends keyword is used to **inherit one class from another class**. It allows a subclass to access the variables and methods of the superclass.

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 = "Rohitha B";  
        rollNo = 229;  
    }  
}  
  
class Result extends Student {  
    int marks = 99;  
  
    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: Rohitha B

Roll No: 229

Marks: 99

```
<terminated> Hello [Java Application] C:\Users\Rohitha B
Name: Rohitha B
Roll No: 229
Marks: 99
```

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

```

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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

```
<terminated> Inheritance [Java Application] C:\Users\Rohitha B\Vehicle starts
Car uses petrol
Electric car uses battery
```

POST LAB EXERCISE

- ✓ Why Java does not support multiple inheritance using classes and how it is implemented?

Answer: Java does not support multiple inheritance using classes to avoid ambiguity problems like the **Diamond Problem**, where the compiler gets confused if two parent classes have the same method.

Instead, Java implements multiple inheritance using **interfaces**, because interfaces contain only method declarations, avoiding confusion.

- ✓ What is the role of the super keyword? Give examples.

Answer: The super keyword is used to:

1. Access parent class variables
2. Call parent class methods
3. Call parent class constructor

- ✓ Can a child class access private members of the parent class? Why?

Answer: No, a child class **cannot access private members** of the parent class because private members are accessible **only within the same class**. This supports data hiding and security.

- ✓ Explain why hybrid inheritance is not supported in Java.

Answer: Hybrid inheritance combines multiple inheritance and other types, which can again lead to ambiguity and complexity. Since Java does not support multiple inheritance using classes, **hybrid inheritance is also not supported directly**. 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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