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INHERITANCE

Aim:

To understand and implement inheritance concepts in Java.

PRE LAB EXERCISE

QUESTIONS

- ✓ What is inheritance?

Inheritance is an object-oriented programming concept where a **child (subclass)** acquires the **properties and methods** of a **parent (superclass)**.
It helps in building new classes using existing ones.

- ✓ What is code reusability?

Code reusability means **using existing code again** without rewriting it.
It saves **time**, reduces **errors**, and makes programs **easy to maintain**.

- ✓ What is the use of extends keyword?

The **extends keyword** is used to:

- Create a **subclass** from a **superclass**
- Inherit **variables and methods** of the parent class
- Achieve **inheritance** in Java

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 = "Prashanth";
        rollNo = 207;
    }
}

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);
    }
}
```

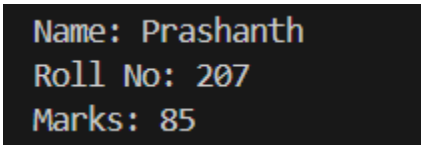
```
public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Result r = new Result();
        r.getDetails();
        r.display();
    }
}
```

Output:

Name: Prashanth

Roll No: 207

Marks: 85



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");
```

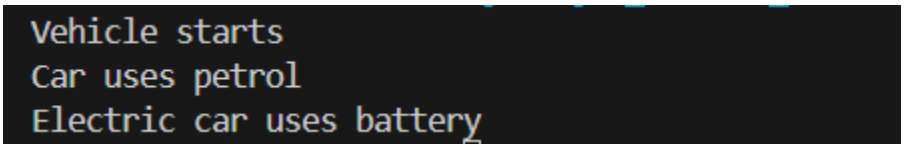
```
    }
}

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



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 and complexity**, mainly the **Diamond Problem** (when two parent classes have the same method and the compiler can't decide which one to use).

How it is implemented:

Java achieves multiple inheritance using **interfaces**, where:

- Methods are **abstract by default**
- A class can implement **multiple interfaces**

  This avoids ambiguity and ensures clear method implementation.

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

The **super keyword** is used to refer to the **parent class object**.

Roles of super:

- Access parent class variables
- Call parent class methods
- Invoke parent class constructors

```
class Parent {
   int a = 10;
}

class Child extends Parent {
   void show() {
      System.out.println(super.a);
```

```
    }
}
```

- ✓ 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.

Why?

- private members are accessible **only within the same class**
- This maintains **data encapsulation and security**

However, private members can be accessed **indirectly** using **public or protected getter methods**.

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

Java does **not support hybrid inheritance using classes** because it combines **multiple and multilevel inheritance**, which can cause:

- **Method ambiguity**
- Increased complexity
- Diamond Problem

To keep the language **simple and secure**, Java restricts hybrid inheritance with classes and supports it **only through 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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