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INTRODUCTION TO INHERITANCE

Inheritance is one of the key features of Object-oriented programming in C++. It allows us to create a new class (derived class) from an existing class (base class).

Base Class:

• A base class is the class from which features are to be inherited into another class.

Derived Class:

 A derived class is the one which inherits features from the base class. It can have additional properties and methods that are not present in the parent class that distinguishes it and provides additional functionality.

Real World Example:

 A real world example of inheritance constitutes the concept that children inherit certain features and traits from their parents. In addition, children also have their unique features and traits that distinguishes them from their parents.

Basic syntax for Inheritance:

class derived-class-name : access base-class-name {
 // body of class
};

TYPES OF INHERITANCE BASED ON BASE CLASS ACCESS CONTROL

There are three types of inheritance with respect to base class access control:

- > Public
- Private
- Protected

Public Inheritance:

 With public inheritance, every object of a derived class is also an object of that derived class's base class. However, base class objects are not objects of their derived classes.

<u>Is – A Relationship:</u>

Inheritance is represented by an is-a relationship which means that an object of a
derived class also can be treated as an object of its base class for example, a Car is
a Vehicle, so any attributes and behaviors of a Vehicle are also attributes and
behaviors of a Car.

Syntax for public Inheritance:

Class (name of the derived class) : public (name of the base class)

Class Car : public Vehicle

Base Class Access Control for Public, Private and Protected:

Visibility of Base Class Members	Types of Inheritance		
	Public	Private	Protected
	Inheritance	Inheritance	Inheritance
Public	Public in derived	Private in derived	Protected in derived
	class	class	class
Private	Hidden in	Hidden in derived	Hidden in derived
	derived class	class	class
Protected	Protected in	Hidden in derived	Protected in derived
	derived class	class	class

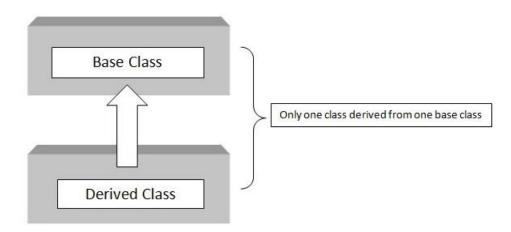
TYPES OF INHERITANCE BASED ON DERIVED CLASSES

Inheritance based on derived classes can be categorized as follows:

- > Single Inheritance
- Multiple Inheritance
- > Multilevel Inheritance
- > Hierarchical Inheritance
- > Hybrid Inheritance

Single Inheritance:

- In this type of inheritance there is one base class and one derived class.
- As shown in the figure below, in single inheritance only one class can be derived from the base class. Based on the visibility mode used or access specifier used while deriving, the properties of the base class are derived.



Syntax for single Inheritance:

```
class A // base class
{
  // body of the class
};
class B : acess_specifier A // derived class
{
  // body of the class
};
```

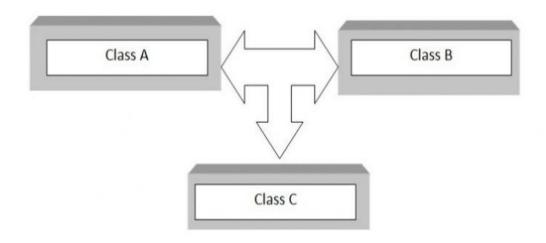
Example code for single Inheritance:

```
#include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
   class base //single base class
    public:
     int x;
    void getdata()
     cout << "Enter the value of x = "; cin >> x;
    }
   };
   class derive: public base //single derived class
   {
    private:
     int y;
    public:
    void readdata()
     cout << "Enter the value of y = "; cin >> y;
    void product()
     cout << "Product = " << x * y;
   };
   int main()
     derive a; //object of derived class
     a.getdata();
     a.readdata();
     a.product();
     return 0;
   } //end of program
Sample Run
Enter the value of x = 3
Enter the value of y = 4
Product = 12
```

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Multiple Inheritance:

- In multiple inheritance, a class is derived from two or more base classes. In multiple inheritance a derived class has more than one base class.
- As shown in the figure below, class C is derived from two base classes A and B.



Syntax for multiple Inheritance:

```
class A // base class
{
  // body of the class
};
class B // base class
{
  // body of the class
};
class C : acess_specifier A, acess_specifier B // derived class
{
  // body of the class
};
```

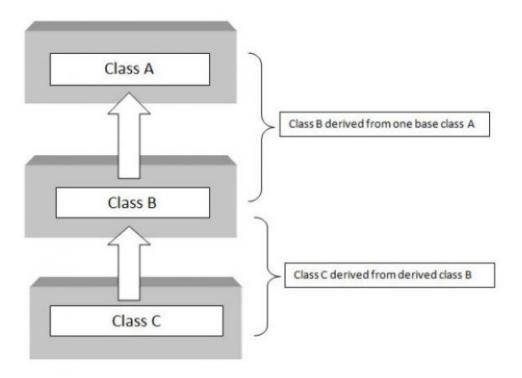
Example code for multiple Inheritance:

```
#include
using namespace std;
class A // base class
{
    public:
    int x;
    void getx()
```

```
cout << "enter value of x: "; cin >> x;
    }
};
class B // base class
     public:
     int y;
     void gety()
         cout << "enter value of y: "; cin >> y;
     }
};
class C : public A, public B //C is derived from class A and
class B
{
     public:
     void sum()
         cout << "Sum = " << x + y;
     }
};
int main()
      C obj1; //object of derived class C
      obj1.getx();
      obj1.gety();
      obj1.sum();
      return 0;
     //end of program
}
Sample Run
enter value of x: 5
enter value of y: 4
Sum = 9
```

Multilevel Inheritance:

- If a class is derived from another derived class then it is called multilevel inheritance, so in multilevel inheritance, a class has more than one parent class.
- As shown in the figure below, class C has class B and class A as parent classes.
- As in other inheritance, based on the visibility mode used or access specifier used.
 while deriving, the properties of the base class are derived. Access specifier can be private, protected or public.



Syntax for multilevel Inheritance:

```
class A // base class
{
    // body of the class
};
    class B : acess_specifier A // derived class
{
        // body of the class
};
    class C : acess_specifier B // derived from class B
{
        // body of the class
};
```

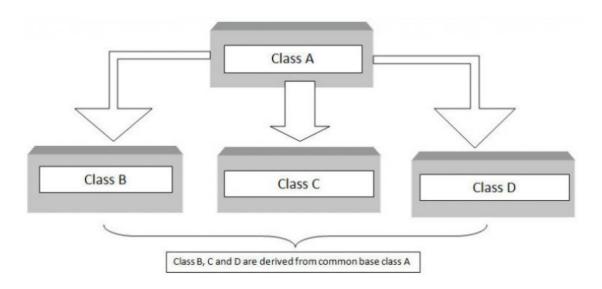
Example code for multilevel Inheritance:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class base //single base class
{
   public:
   int x;
   void getdata()
   {
```

```
cout << "Enter value of x= "; cin >> x;
   };
   class derive1: public base // derived class from base class
   {
      public:
      int y;
      void readdata()
        cout << "\nEnter value of y="; cin >> y;
      }
   };
   class derive2: public derive1 // derived from class derive1
      private:
      int z;
      public:
      void indata()
      cout << "\nEnter value of z= "; cin >> z;
      }
      void product()
        cout << "\nProduct= " << x * y * z;
      }
   };
   int main()
   {
     derive2 a; //object of derived class
     a.getdata();
     a.readdata();
     a.indata();
     a.product();
     return 0;
   }
             //end of program
Sample Run
Enter value of x=2
Enter value of y=3
Enter value of z=3
Product= 18
```

Hierarchical Inheritance:

- When several classes are derived from a common base class it is called as hierarchical inheritance.
- In C++ hierarchical inheritance, the feature of the base class is inherited onto more than one sub-class.
- For example, a car is a common class from which Audi, Ferrari, Maruti etc can be derived.
- As shown in the figure below, in C++ hierarchical inheritance all the derived classes
 have a common base class. The base class includes all the features that are
 common to derived classes.



Syntax for hierarchical Inheritance:

```
class A // base class
{
    // body of the class
};
class B : acess_specifier A // derived class from A
{
    // body of the class
};
class C : acess_specifier A // derived class from A
{
    // body of the class
};
class D : acess_specifier A // derived class from A
{
    // body of the class
};
```

Example code for hierarchical Inheritance:

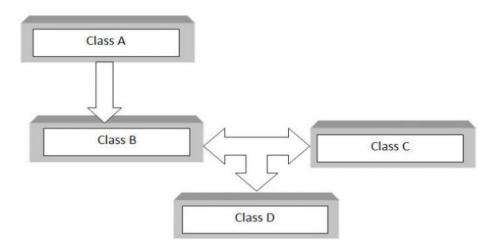
```
#include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
   class A //single base class
   {
     public:
      int x, y;
      void getdata()
         cout << "\n Enter value of x and y:\n"; cin >> x >> y;
   };
   class B: public A //B is derived from class base
     public:
      void product()
         cout << "\n Product= " << x * y;
      }
   class C: public A //C is also derived from class base
   {
     public:
      void sum()
      {
        cout << "\n Sum= " << x + y;
   };
   int main()
                 //object of derived class B
     B obj1;
     C obj2;
                  //object of derived class C
     obj1.getdata();
     obj1.product();
     obj2.getdata();
     obj2.sum();
     return 0;
   } //end of program
Sample Run
Enter value of x and y:
Product= 6
```

2

```
Enter value of x and y:
2
3
Sum= 5
```

Hybrid Inheritance:

- The inheritance in which the derivation of a class involves more than one form of any inheritance is called hybrid inheritance.
- Basically C++ hybrid inheritance is combination of two or more types of inheritance. It can also be called multi path inheritance.
- The figure below shows the hybrid combination of single inheritance and multiple inheritance. Hybrid inheritance is used in a situation where we need to apply more than one inheritance in a program.



Syntax for hybrid Inheritance:

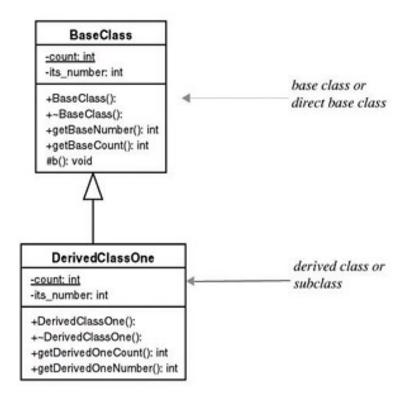
```
class A // base class
{
    // body of the class
};
class B : public A
{
    // body of the class
};
class C
{
    // body of the class
};
class D : public B, public C
{
    // body of the class
};
```

Example code for hybrid Inheritance:

```
#include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
   class A
   {
      public:
      int x;
   };
   class B: public A
      public:
      B() //constructor to initialize x in base class A
        x = 10;
   };
   class C
   {
      public:
      int y;
      C() //constructor to initialize y
      {
         y = 4;
   };
   class D: public B, public C //D is derived from class B and class C
      public:
      void sum()
         cout << "Sum= " << x + y;
   };
   int main()
       D obj1;
                    //object of derived class D
      obj1.sum();
      return 0;
             //end of program
Sample Run
Sum= 14
```

UML REPRESENTATION FOR INHERITANCE

An association line tipped with an open arrowhead is drawn from the subclass to the base class. The figure below shows a class diagram for two classes named BaseClass and DerivedClassOne.



BaseClass is referred to as the base class and DerivedClassOne is referred to as the derived class or subclass.

BaseClass contains two private attributes. One is a static, class-wide variable named count, and the other is an integer variable named its_count. BaseClass contains four public functions and one protected function.

LAB TASKS:

<u>Task - 01:</u>

A school library wants to organize its library system by categorizing books according to their genre. They need an automated system that will allow them to input the details of the books that are in their library. To do this, you need to implement a program that contains a base class called **Books** that will contain a data member to store the genre of the book. Derive two other classes from the base class and name them accordingly. Each of these two classes will hold details about a book from a specific genre of your choice such as Novel, Narrative, Mystery and so on. The derived class will contain data members to store the title and the author of the book. Display the details of each book along with their genre.

Task - 02:

A vehicle company is deciding to hire a programmer to develop a system that will allow the company to enter the details of the vehicles sold by them. As a programmer, you need to implement a program that contains a base class called **Vehicles** that contains a data member to store the price of the vehicles. Derive two other classes named as **Car** and **Motorcycle**.

- The Car class will contain data members to store details that include seating capacity, number of doors and fuel type (diesel or petrol).
- The Motorcycle class will contain data members to store details such as the number of cylinders, the number of gears and the number of wheels.

Derive another subclass named as Audi of Car and Yamaha of Motorcycle.

- The Audi class will contain a data member to store the model type.
- The Yamaha class will contain a data member to store the make type.

Display the details of an Audi car (price, seating capacity, number of doors, fuel type, model type) and the details of the Yamaha motorcycle (price, number of cylinders, number of gears, number of wheels, make – type).

<u>Task - 03</u>:

A university is deciding to upgrade its system. In order to upgrade, you need to implement the following scenario as shown in the figure:

Note the following:

- The class student has a function that displays all the information about the student.
- Class marks is derived from class student and has a function that displays all the marks obtained in the courses by the students.
- Class result is derived from class marks. This class has a function that calculates the total marks and then calculates the average marks. It then displays both the total and the average marks.
- In the main function you are required to do the following:
 - Create an object of the result class.
 - Then display the student details, the marks obtained in each courses and the total and the average marks.

```
class student{
  int id;
  string name;
  public:
  void getstudentdetails(){
  };
class marks : public student{
protected:
int marks_oop, marks_pf,
marks_ds, marks_db;
public:
void getmarks(){
   }
 };
class result : public marks{
protected:
int total_marks;
double avg_marks;
public:
void display(){
  }
 };
```