Session 17-18: OOP Advanced Concepts

Topics: Inheritance, Polymorphism, Encapsulation

© Learning Goals

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

- ✓ Use **Inheritance** to reuse and extend code.
- ✓ Apply **Polymorphism** to write flexible code.
- ✓ Understand **Encapsulation** and use access modifiers.

🖋 1. Inheritance

Definition:

Inheritance allows one class (**child**) to use properties and methods of another class (**parent**).

This helps in reusability and makes code shorter & cleaner.

- Analogy:
 - A child inherits traits (like eyes , hair) from their parents.
 - But they can also have their own unique features.

Example: Single Inheritance

```
# Parent class
class Animal:
    def speak(self):
        print("This animal makes a sound **")

# Child class
class Dog(Animal):
    def speak(self):
        print("Woof! **")

d = Dog()
d.speak()
```

Explanation:

Dog automatically gets everything from Animal.

But Dog can also override the method with its own behavior.

Types of Inheritance (just concepts here)

- Single → One parent, one child
- Multiple → Child inherits from more than one parent
- Multilevel → Child → Parent → Grandparent chain
- Hierarchical → Many children inherit from same parent
- Hybrid → Mix of the above

Example: Method Overriding (Run-time Polymorphism)

```
class Bird:
    def fly(self):
        print("Some birds can fly ")

class Penguin(Bird):
    def fly(self):
        print("Penguins cannot fly ")

b = Bird()
p = Penguin()

b.fly()
p.fly()
```

√ № 2. Polymorphism

Definition: Polymorphism = many forms. The same function name can work in different ways depending on context.

- Analogy: The word "run" means different things:
 - You can run 🦄 in the park.
 - A program can run **=** on your computer.

Example: Duck Typing (Python Special Polymorphism 🦫)

```
class Duck:
    def sound(self):
        print("Quack Quack ")

class Dog:
    def sound(self):
```

```
print("Woof Woof ***)

def make_sound(animal):
    animal.sound()

make_sound(Duck())
make_sound(Dog())
```

In Python, if it walks like a duck and quacks like a duck \rightarrow we don't care about type, we just care if it has .sound().

→ → 3. Encapsulation

Definition: Encapsulation = wrapping data and methods into a single unit (class). We also use access modifiers to control access to data.

Analogy:

Think of a capsule pill \longrightarrow it hides the medicine inside.

A bank account hides your balance but allows controlled actions like deposit() and withdraw().

Access Modifiers in Python

- Public → Accessible everywhere (self.name)
- Protected → Meant for internal use (self. name)
- Private → Cannot be accessed directly (self. balance)

```
class BankAccount:
    def __init__(self, name, balance):
        self.name = name # public
        self._account_no = 1234 # protected
        self.__balance = balance # private
    def deposit(self, amount):
        self.__balance += amount
        print("Deposited:", amount)
    def withdraw(self, amount):
        if self.__balance >= amount:
            self.__balance -= amount
            print("Withdrew:", amount)
        else:
            print("Insufficient funds X")
    def display_balance(self):
        print("Balance:", self.__balance)
```

```
acc = BankAccount("Rahul", 5000)
acc.deposit(2000)
acc.withdraw(1000)
acc.display_balance()

# Try accessing directly
print(acc.name) # works
print(acc._account_no) # works but not recommended
# print(acc._balance) # x error: private
```

- Practice Problems
- Q1. Create a class Shape with method area().

Create subclasses Rectangle and Circle and override area() method.

Q2. Create a base class Employee.

Inherit Manager and Developer from it.

Override a method show_role().

Q3. Create a class SecureData with private variable.

Provide getter and setter methods to access/update the private variable safely.