

# Inheritance in Kotlin

In Kotlin, classes are final by default. So if you want to create a subclass of a class, then you must mark the class with `open` modifier.

Also, there is no `extends` keyword in Kotlin. So to inherit a class, you must use a colon after the class name to inherit a base class.

## Syntax of inheritance

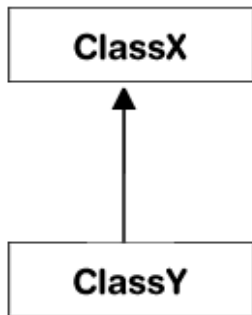
```
open class BaseClass{  
    //Properties and Methods  
}  
class DerivedClass: BaseClass(){  
    //Properties and Methods  
}
```

## Types of Inheritance in Kotlin

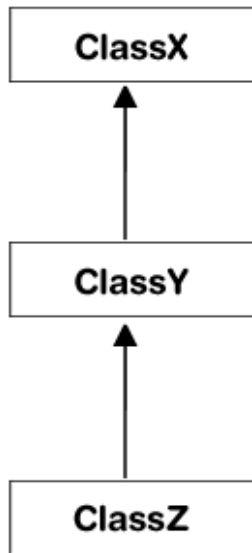
Just like Java, Kotlin supports three types of inheritance which are listed below-

1. [Single-Level Inheritance](#)
2. [Multi-Level Inheritance](#)
3. [Hierarchical Inheritance](#)

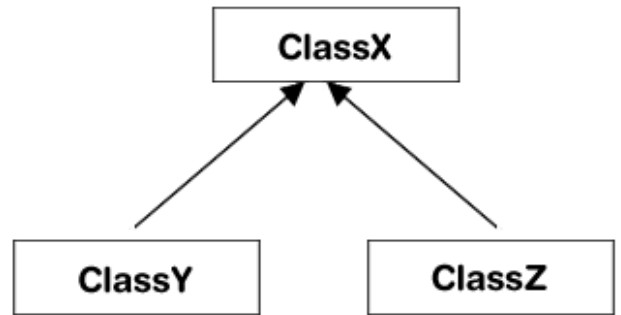
**Note-** If you want to implement multiple and hybrid inheritance, then you must use interface.



**1. Single-Level**



**2. Multi-Level**



**3. Hierarchical**

## Single-Level Inheritance

```
open class Father{
    fun fatherIdentity(){
        println("I am a Father.")
    }
}
class Son: Father(){
    fun sonIdentity(){
        println("I am a Son.")
    }
}
fun main(args: Array<String>) {
    val s = Son()
    s.fatherIdentity()
    s.sonIdentity()
}
```

```
I am a Father.
I am a Son.
```

## Multi-Level Inheritance

```
open class Father{
    fun fatherIdentity(){
        println("I am a Father.")
    }
}
open class Son: Father(){
    fun sonIdentity(){
        println("I am a Son.")
    }
}
class GrandSon: Son(){
    fun grandsonIdentity(){
        println("I am a GrandSon.")
    }
}
fun main(args: Array<String>) {
    val g = GrandSon()
    g.fatherIdentity()
    g.sonIdentity()
    g.grandsonIdentity()
}
```

```
I am a Father.
I am a Son.
I am a GrandSon.
```

## Hierarchical Inheritance

```
open class Father{
    fun fatherIdentity(){
        println("I am a Father.")
    }
}
class Son: Father(){
    fun sonIdentity(){
        println("I am a Son.")
    }
}
class Daughter: Father(){
    fun daughterIdentity(){
        println("I am a Daughter.")
    }
}
fun main(args: Array<String>) {
    val s = Son()
    s.fatherIdentity()
    s.sonIdentity()
    val d = Daughter()
    d.fatherIdentity()
    d.daughterIdentity()
}
```

```
I am a Father.
I am a Son.
I am a Father.
I am a Daughter.
```