

Tutorial 40 - Multilevel Inheritance in C++

Definition:

- **Multilevel inheritance** occurs when a derived class is inherited from another derived class, forming a chain of inheritance.
 - Example:
 - Class `Animal` → Class `Mammal` (inherits `Animal`) → Class `Cow` (inherits `Mammal`).
 - `Mammal` inherits functionalities from `Animal`, and `Cow` inherits functionalities from `Mammal`.
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Code Explanation

Code Snippet 1: `Student` Class

```
1 class Student {
2     protected:
3         int roll_number;
4     public:
5         void set_roll_number(int);
6         void get_roll_number(void);
7 };
8 void Student::set_roll_number(int r) {
9     roll_number = r;
10 }
11 void Student::get_roll_number() {
12     cout << "The roll number is " << roll_number << endl;
13 }
14
```

Key Points:

1. Contains:
 - **Protected** member: `roll_number`.
 - Public functions: `set_roll_number()` and `get_roll_number()`.
 2. **Functions:**
 - `set_roll_number`: Sets the value of `roll_number`.
 - `get_roll_number`: Prints the value of `roll_number`.
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Code Snippet 2: `Exam` Class

```
1 class Exam : public Student {
2     protected:
3         float maths, physics;
4     public:
5         void set_marks(float, float);
6         void get_marks(void);
7 };
8 void Exam::set_marks(float m1, float m2) {
9     maths = m1;
10    physics = m2;
11 }
12 void Exam::get_marks() {
```

```
13     cout << "Marks in Maths: " << maths << endl;
14     cout << "Marks in Physics: " << physics << endl;
15 }
16
```

Key Points:

1. Inherits `Student` publicly.
 2. Contains:
 - **Protected** members: `maths` and `physics`.
 - Public functions: `set_marks()` and `get_marks()`.
 3. **Functions:**
 - `set_marks`: Sets values of `maths` and `physics`.
 - `get_marks`: Prints values of `maths` and `physics`.
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Code Snippet 3: `Result` Class

```
1 class Result : public Exam {
2     float percentage;
3 public:
4     void display_results() {
5         get_roll_number();
6         get_marks();
7         cout << "Your result is: " << (maths + physics) / 2 << "%" << endl;
8     }
9 };
10
```

Key Points:

1. Inherits `Exam` publicly.
 2. Contains:
 - **Private** member: `percentage`.
 - Public function: `display_results()`.
 3. **Function:**
 - `display_results`:
 - Calls `get_roll_number()` and `get_marks()`.
 - Calculates percentage as `(maths + physics) / 2`.
 - Prints the result.
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Code Snippet 4: Main Program

```
1 int main() {
2     Result harry;
3     harry.set_roll_number(420);
4     harry.set_marks(94.0, 90.0);
5     harry.display_results();
6     return 0;
7 }
8
```

Key Points:

1. Creates a `Result` object `harry`.

2. Calls:

- `set_roll_number(420)` → Sets roll number.
 - `set_marks(94.0, 90.0)` → Sets marks in `maths` and `physics`.
 - `display_results()` → Displays roll number, marks, and percentage.
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Short Notes for Notebook

Multilevel Inheritance:

1. A derived class is inherited from another derived class.
2. Enables a chain of inheritance (e.g., `Student` → `Exam` → `Result`).

Code Example:

1. `Student` **Class**:

- **Protected**: `roll_number`.
- Functions: `set_roll_number()` (sets roll number), `get_roll_number()` (prints roll number).

2. `Exam` **Class**:

- **Protected**: `maths`, `physics`.
- Functions:
 - `set_marks()` → Sets marks.
 - `get_marks()` → Prints marks.

3. `Result` **Class**:

- **Private**: `percentage`.
 - Function:
 - `display_results()`:
 - Calls `get_roll_number()` and `get_marks()`.
 - Calculates percentage as `(maths + physics) / 2`.
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Main Function:

1. Create `Result` object.

2. Call:

- `set_roll_number()` → Assign roll number.
- `set_marks()` → Assign marks.
- `display_results()` → Display roll number, marks, and percentage.