

Computer Programming

Chapter 12: Inheritance - Part 1

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[Concept] Inheritance

- Create classes by inheriting from existing classes
 - Base class
 - Derived class
- Expand usage of existing classes

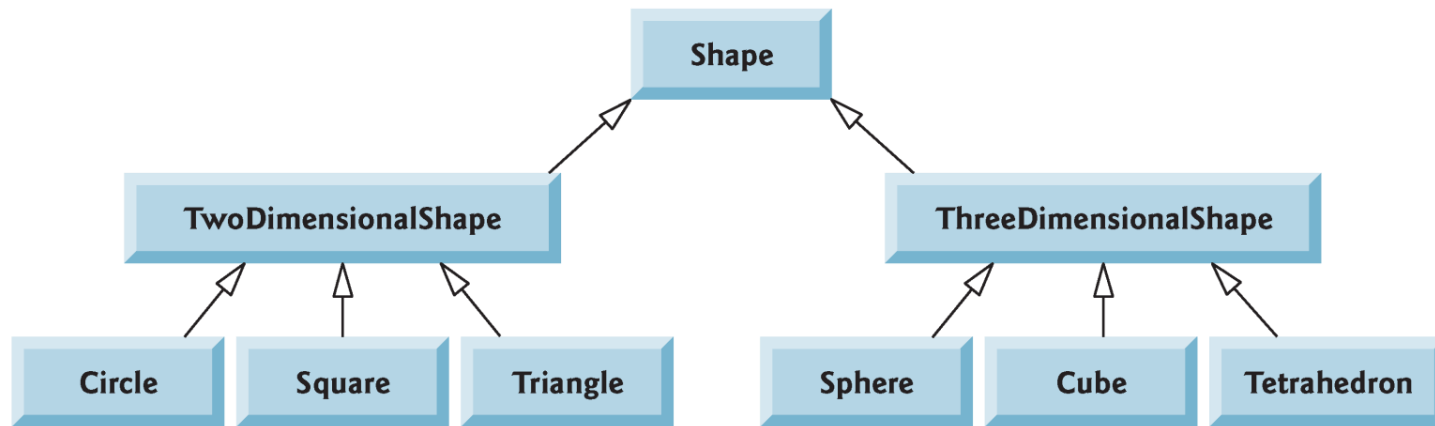


Fig. 12.3 | Inheritance hierarchy for Shapes.

Private, Public, Protected members

- We have learned
 - Private and public
- **Protected**
 - Between public and private access
 - Can be accessed by
 - Derived class
 - Friend of derived class

Syntax

- Syntax
 - class `DerivedClassName` : `inheritanceType` `BaseClassName`
- Inheritance types
 - Public
 - Private
 - Protected
- Example
 - class `TwoDimensionalShape` : `public` `Shape`
 - class `Crectangle` : `public` `CPolygon`

Concept: Derived Class

- Inheritance
 - Base class
 - Derived class
- Example
 - CRightTriangle is inherited from Cpolygon

```
class CRightTriangle: public CPolygon
```



Public inheritance is usually used

```
1 // derived classes
2 #include <iostream>
3 using namespace std;
4
5 class CPolygon {
6     protected:
7         int width, height;
8     public:
9         void set_values (int a, int b)
10             { width=a; height=b;}
11 };
12
13 class CRectangle: public CPolygon {
14     public:
15         int area ()
16             { return (width * height); }
17 };
```

```
19 class CRightTriangle: public CPolygon {  
20     public:  
21         int area ()  
22         { return (width * height / 2); }  
23     };  
24  
25 int main () {  
26     CRectangle rect;  
27     CRightTriangle trgl;  
28     rect.set_values (4,5);  
29     trgl.set_values (4,5);  
30     cout << rect.area() << endl;  
31     cout << trgl.area() << endl;  
32 }
```

Constructor in Derived Class

- Specify the inheritance of a constructor in the derived class
 - Yes: Call the specified contractor

```
13 //Constructor: not specified: call default
14 class daughter : public mother {
15     public:
16         daughter (int a)
17             { cout << "daughter: int parameter\n\n"; }
18 };
19
20 //Construcotr: call mother (int a)
21 class son : public mother {
22     public:
23         son (int a) : mother (a)
24             { cout << "son: int parameter\n\n"; }
25 };
```



```
1 // constructors and derived classes
2 #include <iostream>
3 using namespace std;
4
5 class mother {
6     public:
7         mother ()
8             { cout << "mother: no parameters\n"; }
9         mother (int a)
10            { cout << "mother: int parameter\n"; }
11 };
12
```

```
26 int main () {
27     daughter Jane(3);
28     son John(5);
29 }
```

Concept: Multiple Inheritance

- Inheritance from more than 1 base class
- Example
 - CRectangle is inherited from
 - CPolygon
 - Coutput

```
class CRectangle: public CPolygon, public Coutput  
{  
  
}
```

```
1 // multiple inheritance
2 #include <iostream>
3 using namespace std;
4
5 class CPolygon {
6     protected:
7         int width, height;
8     public:
9         void set_values (int a, int b)
10             { width=a; height=b;}
11 };
12
```

Base Class 1

Base Class 2

```
13 class COutput {
14     public:
15         void output (int i);
16 };
17
18 void COutput::output (int i) {
19     cout << i << endl;
20 }
```

```
22 class CRectangle: public CPolygon, public COutput {
23     public:
24         int area ()
25         { return (width * height); }
26     };
27
28 class CRightTriangle: public CPolygon, public COutput {
29     public:
30         int area ()
31         { return (width * height / 2); }
32     };
33
```

```
34 int main () {
35     CRectangle rect;
36     CRightTriangle trgl;
37     rect.set_values (4,5);
38     trgl.set_values (4,5);
39     rect.output (rect.area());
40     trgl.output (trgl.area());
41 }
```

12.6 Public, Private, Protected Inheritance

- We usually use public inheritance

Base-class member-access specifier	Type of inheritance		
	public inheritance	protected inheritance	private inheritance
public	public in derived class. Can be accessed directly by member functions, friend functions and nonmember functions.	protected in derived class. Can be accessed directly by member functions and friend functions.	private in derived class. Can be accessed directly by member functions and friend functions.
protected	protected in derived class. Can be accessed directly by member functions and friend functions.	protected in derived class. Can be accessed directly by member functions and friend functions.	private in derived class. Can be accessed directly by member functions and friend functions.
private	Hidden in derived class. Can be accessed by member functions and friend functions through public or protected member functions of the base class.	Hidden in derived class. Can be accessed by member functions and friend functions through public or protected member functions of the base class.	Hidden in derived class. Can be accessed by member functions and friend functions through public or protected member functions of the base class.

Fig. 12.27 | Summary of base-class member accessibility in a derived class.

Example (Textbook 12.4.4)

- (public) inheritance using protected data
 - Base Class --- [CommisionEmployee](#)
 - Derived Class --- [BasePlusCommissionEmployee](#)
 - Fig. 12.12~12.16
- Other examples in the textbook [[In the next lecture](#)]
 - Without inheritance (Fig 12.4~12.9)
 - Lots of duplicates
 - Errors in inheritance (Fig 12.10~12.11) [[Skipped](#)]
 - Private base-class data cannot be accessed by derived class → error
 - inheritance using private data (Fig 12.17~12.21)
 - Better information hiding/software engineering

```
1 // Fig. 12.12: CommissionEmployee.h
2 // CommissionEmployee class definition with protected data.
3 #ifndef COMMISSION_H
4 #define COMMISSION_H
5
6 #include <string> // C++ standard string class
7 using namespace std;
8
9 class CommissionEmployee
10 {
11 public:
12     CommissionEmployee( const string &, const string &, const string &,
13         double = 0.0, double = 0.0 );
14
15     void setFirstName( const string & ); // set first name
16     string getFirstName() const; // return first name
17
18     void setLastName( const string & ); // set last name
19     string getLastName() const; // return last name
20
```

Fig. 12.12 | CommissionEmployee class definition that declares protected data to allow access by derived classes. (Part 1 of 2.)

```

21 void setSocialSecurityNumber( const string & ); // set SSN
22 string getSocialSecurityNumber() const; // return SSN
23
24 void setGrossSales( double ); // set gross sales amount
25 double getGrossSales() const; // return gross sales amount
26
27 void setCommissionRate( double ); // set commission rate
28 double getCommissionRate() const; // return commission rate
29
30 double earnings() const; // calculate earnings
31 void print() const; // print CommissionEmployee object
32 protected:
33     string firstName;
34     string lastName;
35     string socialSecurityNumber;
36     double grossSales; // gross weekly sales
37     double commissionRate; // commission percentage
38 }; // end class CommissionEmployee
39
40 #endif

```



Protected data
member

Fig. 12.12 | CommissionEmployee class definition that declares protected data to allow access by derived classes. (Part 2 of 2.)


```

1  // Fig. 12.13: CommissionEmployee.cpp
2  // Class CommissionEmployee member-function definitions.
3  #include <iostream>
4  #include "CommissionEmployee.h" // CommissionEmployee class definition
5  using namespace std;
6
7  // constructor
8  CommissionEmployee::CommissionEmployee(
9      const string &first, const string &last, const string &ssn,
10     double sales, double rate )
11  {
12     firstName = first; // should validate
13     lastName = last; // should validate
14     socialSecurityNumber = ssn; // should validate
15     setGrossSales( sales ); // validate and store gross sales
16     setCommissionRate( rate ); // validate and store commission rate
17 } // end CommissionEmployee constructor
18
19 // set first name
20 void CommissionEmployee::setFirstName( const string &first )
21 {
22     firstName = first; // should validate
23 } // end function setFirstName
24

```

```
25 // return first name
26 string CommissionEmployee::getFirstName() const
27 {
28     return firstName;
29 } // end function getFirstName
30
31 // set last name
32 void CommissionEmployee::setLastName( const string &last )
33 {
34     lastName = last; // should validate
35 } // end function setLastName
36
37 // return last name
38 string CommissionEmployee::getLastName() const
39 {
40     return lastName;
41 } // end function getLastName
42
43 // set social security number
44 void CommissionEmployee::setSocialSecurityNumber( const string &ssn )
45 {
46     socialSecurityNumber = ssn; // should validate
47 } // end function setSocialSecurityNumber
48
```

Fig. 12.13 | CommissionEmployee class with protected data. (Part 2 of 4.)

```
49 // return social security number
50 string CommissionEmployee::getSocialSecurityNumber() const
51 {
52     return socialSecurityNumber;
53 } // end function getSocialSecurityNumber
54
55 // set gross sales amount
56 void CommissionEmployee::setGrossSales( double sales )
57 {
58     grossSales = ( sales < 0.0 ) ? 0.0 : sales;
59 } // end function setGrossSales
60
61 // return gross sales amount
62 double CommissionEmployee::getGrossSales() const
63 {
64     return grossSales;
65 } // end function getGrossSales
66
67 // set commission rate
68 void CommissionEmployee::setCommissionRate( double rate )
69 {
70     commissionRate = ( rate > 0.0 && rate < 1.0 ) ? rate : 0.0;
71 } // end function setCommissionRate
72
```

Fig. 12.13 | CommissionEmployee class with protected data. (Part 3 of 4.)

```
73 // return commission rate
74 double CommissionEmployee::getCommissionRate() const
75 {
76     return commissionRate;
77 } // end function getCommissionRate
78
79 // calculate earnings
80 double CommissionEmployee::earnings() const
81 {
82     return commissionRate * grossSales;
83 } // end function earnings
84
85 // print CommissionEmployee object
86 void CommissionEmployee::print() const
87 {
88     cout << "commission employee: " << firstName << ' ' << lastName
89         << "\nsocial security number: " << socialSecurityNumber
90         << "\ngross sales: " << grossSales
91         << "\ncommission rate: " << commissionRate;
92 } // end function print
```

Fig. 12.13 | CommissionEmployee class with protected data. (Part 4 of 4.)

```
1 // Fig. 12.14: BasePlusCommissionEmployee.h
2 // BasePlusCommissionEmployee class derived from class
3 // CommissionEmployee.
4 #ifndef BASEPLUS_H
5 #define BASEPLUS_H
6
7 #include <string> // C++ standard string class
8 #include "CommissionEmployee.h" // CommissionEmployee class declaration
9 using namespace std;
10
11 class BasePlusCommissionEmployee : public CommissionEmployee
12 {
13 public:
14     BasePlusCommissionEmployee( const string &, const string &,
15         const string &, double = 0.0, double = 0.0, double = 0.0 );
16
17     void setBaseSalary( double ); // set base salary
18     double getBaseSalary() const; // return base salary
19
20     double earnings() const; // calculate earnings
21     void print() const; // print BasePlusCommissionEmployee object
22
23 private:
24     double baseSalary; // base salary
25 }; // end class BasePlusCommissionEmployee
26 #endif
```

```

1  // Fig. 12.15: BasePlusCommissionEmployee.cpp
2  // Class BasePlusCommissionEmployee member-function definitions.
3  #include <iostream>
4  #include "BasePlusCommissionEmployee.h"
5  using namespace std;
6
7  // constructor
8  BasePlusCommissionEmployee::BasePlusCommissionEmployee(
9      const string &first, const string &last, const string &ssn,
10     double sales, double rate, double salary )
11     // explicitly call base-class constructor
12     : CommissionEmployee( first, last, ssn, sales, rate )
13 {
14     setBaseSalary( salary ); // validate and store base salary
15 } // end BasePlusCommissionEmployee constructor
16
17 // set base salary
18 void BasePlusCommissionEmployee::setBaseSalary( double salary )
19 {
20     baseSalary = ( salary < 0.0 ) ? 0.0 : salary;
21 } // end function setBaseSalary
22

```

Fig. 12.15 | BasePlusCommissionEmployee implementation file for BasePlusCommissionEmployee class that inherits protected data from CommissionEmployee (Part 1 of 2)

```

23 // return base salary
24 double BasePlusCommissionEmployee::getBaseSalary() const
25 {
26     return baseSalary;
27 } // end function getBaseSalary
28
29 // calculate earnings
30 double BasePlusCommissionEmployee::earnings() const
31 {
32     // can access protected data of base class
33     return baseSalary + ( commissionRate * grossSales );
34 } // end function earnings
35
36 // print BasePlusCommissionEmployee object
37 void BasePlusCommissionEmployee::print() const
38 {
39     // can access protected data of base class
40     cout << "base-salaried commission employee: " << firstName << ' '
41         << lastName << "\nsocial security number: " << socialSecurityNumber
42         << "\ngross sales: " << grossSales
43         << "\ncommission rate: " << commissionRate
44         << "\nbase salary: " << baseSalary;
45 } // end function print

```

```

1  // Fig. 12.16: fig12_16.cpp
2  // Testing class BasePlusCommissionEmployee.
3  #include <iostream>
4  #include <iomanip>
5  #include "BasePlusCommissionEmployee.h"
6  using namespace std;
7
8  int main()
9  {
10     // instantiate BasePlusCommissionEmployee object
11     BasePlusCommissionEmployee
12         employee( "Bob", "Lewis", "333-33-3333", 5000, .04, 300 );
13
14     // set floating-point output formatting
15     cout << fixed << setprecision( 2 );
16
17     // get commission employee data
18     cout << "Employee information obtained by get functions: \n"
19         << "\nFirst name is " << employee.getFirstName()
20         << "\nLast name is " << employee.getLastName()
21         << "\nSocial security number is "
22         << employee.getSocialSecurityNumber()

```

Fig. 12.16 | protected base-class data can be accessed from derived class. (Part I of 3.)


```

23     << "\nGross sales is " << employee.getGrossSales()
24     << "\nCommission rate is " << employee.getCommissionRate()
25     << "\nBase salary is " << employee.getBaseSalary() << endl;
26
27     employee.setBaseSalary( 1000 ); // set base salary
28
29     cout << "\nUpdated employee information output by print function: \n"
30         << endl;
31     employee.print(); // display the new employee information
32
33     // display the employee's earnings
34     cout << "\n\nEmployee's earnings: $" << employee.earnings() << endl;
35 } // end main

```

Fig. 12.16 | protected base-class data can be accessed from derived class. (Part 2 of 3.)

Employee information obtained by get functions:

First name is Bob
Last name is Lewis
Social security number is 333-33-3333
Gross sales is 5000.00
Commission rate is 0.04
Base salary is 300.00

Updated employee information output by print function:

base-salaried commission employee: Bob Lewis
social security number: 333-33-3333
gross sales: 5000.00
commission rate: 0.04
base salary: 1000.00

Employee's earnings: \$1200.00

Fig. 12.16 | protected base-class data can be accessed from derived class. (Part 3 of 3.)

Section 12.4 examples

- 12.4.1 Commission employee class (Fig 12.4~12.6)
- 12.4.2 Base+Commission employee class (Fig 12.7~12.9)
- 12.4.3 [Error] inheritance (Fig 12.10~12.11)
 - Derived class cannot access base class' s **private** data
- 12.4.4 **protected** data in inheritance(Fig 12.12~12.16)
 - Base class' s protected data can be accessed by
 - Member function of derived class
 - Friend of derived class
- 12.4.5 rewrite the example with Set, Get functions (Fig 12.17~12.21)
 - a better example with software engineering techniques

12.5 Constructor and Destructor in Inheritance

- When an object of derived is created
 - (1) Constructor of base class
 - (2) Constructor of derived class
- When an object of derived is destroyed
 - Reverse order of the constructor
 - (1) destructor of derived class
 - (2) destructor of base class