

# Lab Sheet: Object-Oriented Programming in Java – Inheritance & Encapsulation

**Course:** Introduction to Programming Language II (Java)

**Topic:** Types of Inheritance, Encapsulation, super(), this(), Constructor Chaining

**Level:** Beginner to Intermediate

**Duration:** 2.5 hours

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## 1. Objectives

By the end of this lab, students will be able to:

- Implement Single, Multilevel, and Hierarchical inheritance.
- Understand why Java does not support Multiple Inheritance through classes.
- Use encapsulation with private fields and public methods.
- Use `super()` and `this()` for constructor chaining.
- Override methods and call parent methods using `super`.

## 2. What is Inheritance?

Inheritance allows a class (subclass) to inherit fields and methods from another class (superclass) using the `extends` keyword. **Benefits:**

- Code Reusability
- Method Overriding
- Runtime Polymorphism
- Natural hierarchical organization

## 3. Types of Inheritance Supported in Java

- Single Inheritance (Class B extends Class A)
- Multilevel Inheritance (C extends B extends A)
- Hierarchical Inheritance (B, C, D extend A)
- Multiple & Hybrid → Not supported with classes (only via interfaces)

#### 4. Example 1: Single Inheritance

```
class Animal {  
    void eat() {  
        System.out.println("This animal eats food.");  
    }  
}  
class Dog extends Animal {  
    void bark() {  
        System.out.println("The dog barks.");  
    }  
}  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Dog d = new Dog();  
        d.eat(); // Inherited from Animal  
        d.bark(); // Defined in Dog  
    }  
}
```

#### Output:

This animal eats food.  
The dog barks.

#### Task 4.1 – Single Inheritance Practice (10 min)

- a. Create a class Bird that extends Animal.
- b. Add a method `fly()` in Bird.
- c. In `main()`, create a Bird object and call both `eat()` and `fly()`.
- d. Try creating an Animal reference that holds a Bird object (introduction to polymorphism).

## 5. Example 2: Multilevel Inheritance

```

class Animal {
    void eat() {
        System.out.println("This animal eats food.");
    }
}
class Dog extends Animal {
    void bark() {
        System.out.println("The dog barks.");
    }
}
class Puppy extends Dog {
    void weep() {
        System.out.println("The puppy weeps.");
    }
}
public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Puppy p = new Puppy();
        p.eat(); // From Animal (Grandparent)
        p.bark(); // From Dog (Parent)
        p.weep(); // From Puppy
    }
}

```

### Output:

This animal eats food.

The dog barks.

The puppy weeps.

### Task 5.1 – Multilevel Inheritance (12 min)

Create the chain: Vehicle → Car → SportsCar

- Vehicle has start() and stop()
- Car adds accelerate()
- SportsCar adds nitroBoost()

Demonstrate that a SportsCar object can call all four methods.

## 6. Example 3: Hierarchical Inheritance

```

class Animal {
    void eat() {
        System.out.println("This animal eats food.");
    }
}
class Dog extends Animal {
    void bark() { System.out.println("The dog barks."); }
}
class Cat extends Animal {
    void meow() { System.out.println("The cat meows."); }
}
class Puppy extends Dog {
    void weep() { System.out.println("The puppy weeps."); }
}
public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Dog d = new Dog();
        Cat c = new Cat();
        Puppy p = new Puppy();

        d.eat(); d.bark();
        c.eat(); c.meow();
        p.eat(); p.bark(); p.weep();
    }
}

```

### Output:

This animal eats food.  
 The dog barks.  
 This animal eats food.  
 The cat meows.  
 This animal eats food.  
 The dog barks.  
 The puppy weeps.

### Task 6.1 – Hierarchical Inheritance (15 min)

- Create a base class Shape with method draw().
- Create three subclasses: Circle, Rectangle, Triangle – each overriding draw() with its own message.
- In main(), create one object of each subclass and call draw().

## 7. Example 4.1: Encapsulation – Student ID Card

```

class Student {
    // Data is hidden (private)
    private String name;
    private int id;

    // Constructor      only way to set data
    public Student(String name, int id) {
        this.name = name;
        this.id = id;
    }

    // Public methods    only way to read data
    public String getName() {
        return name;
    }

    public int getId() {
        return id;
    }

    // Nice display method
    public void showInfo() {
        System.out.println("Name: " + name + " | ID: " + id);
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Student s = new Student("Rahim", 2219001);
        s.showInfo();

        // These lines will NOT compile error (good!)
        // s.name = "Karim";    // private     not allowed
        // System.out.println(s.id);

        // Correct way      use getter
        System.out.println("Name from getter: " + s.getName());
    }
}

```

### Output:

Name: Rahim | ID: 2219001  
 Name from getter: Rahim

## 7. Example 4.2: Encapsulation

```

class Animal {
    private String name;

    Animal() {
        this("Unknown Animal"); // this() chaining
    }

    Animal(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }

    void eat() {
        System.out.println(name + " is eating.");
    }

    public String getName() { return name; }
}

class Dog extends Animal {
    Dog() {
        super(); // Calls Animal() which calls Animal(String)
    }

    Dog(String name) {
        super(name); // Directly call parameterized constructor
    }

    void bark() {
        System.out.println(getName() + " is barking.");
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Dog d1 = new Dog();
        Dog d2 = new Dog("Buddy");
        d1.eat(); d1.bark();
        d2.eat(); d2.bark();
    }
}

```

### Output:

Unknown Animal is eating.  
 Unknown Animal is barking.  
 Buddy is eating.  
 Buddy is barking.

### Task 7.1 – Encapsulation & Constructor Chaining (20 min)

- Create a class Student with private fields: name, id, cgpa.
- Provide three constructors:
  - No-arg → sets default values using `this ("Unknown", 000, 0.0)`
  - One String parameter (name only)

- Full three-parameter constructor
- c. Use `this()` for chaining inside the class.
- d. Provide public `getter` methods only (no setters for practice).
- e. Test all three constructors in `main()`.

## 8. Example 5: Method Overriding with `super` keyword

```

class Animal {
    void sound() {
        System.out.println("The animal makes a sound");
    }
}
class Dog extends Animal {
    @Override
    void sound() {
        super.sound(); // Call parent method
        System.out.println("The dog says: Bow Wow");
    }
}
public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Dog d = new Dog();
        d.sound();
    }
}

```

### Output:

The animal makes a sound  
 The dog says: Bow Wow

#### Task 8.1 – Method Overriding Practice (12 min) Create:

- Employee with method `work()` → "Employee works"
- Manager extends Employee and overrides `work()` to first call `super.work()` then print "Manager manages team"

Also add a Developer class that extends Employee and prints "Developer writes code".

## 9. Real-World Example: Employee → Manager (with Encapsulation)

```
class Employee {  
    private String name;  
    private double salary;  
    Employee(String name, double salary) {  
        this.name = name;  
        this.salary = salary;  
    }  
    void display() {  
        System.out.println("Name: " + name + ", Salary: $" + salary);  
    }  
}  
class Manager extends Employee {  
    private double bonus;  
    Manager(String name, double salary, double bonus) {  
        super(name, salary);  
        this.bonus = bonus;  
    }  
    @Override  
    void display() {  
        System.out.println("Manager: " + super.getClass().getSimpleName() +  
                           " | Total Pay: $" + (salary + bonus));  
    }  
}  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Manager m = new Manager("Karim", 60000, 20000);  
        m.display();  
    }  
}
```

## 10. Example 10: super to Access Parent Class Variable

```

class Parent {
    int x = 10;
}

class Child extends Parent {
    int x = 20;

    void display() {
        System.out.println("Child x = " + x);           // 20
        System.out.println("Child this.x = " + this.x); // 20
        System.out.println("Parent x = " + super.x);   // 10      KEY
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        new Child().display();
    }
}

```

### Output:

Child x = 20  
 Child this.x = 20  
 Parent x = 10

## 11. Example 11: super to Call Parent Class Method

```

class Parent {
    void greet() {
        System.out.println("Hello from Parent");
    }
}

class Child extends Parent {
    @Override
    void greet() {
        super.greet();           // Calls Parent's greet()
        System.out.println("Hello from Child");
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Child c = new Child();
        c.greet();
    }
}

```

### Output:

Hello from Parent  
 Hello from Child

## 12. Example 12: super() – Calling Parent Constructor (No-arg)

```

class Parent {
    Parent() {
        System.out.println("Parent constructor called");
    }
}

class Child extends Parent {
    Child() {
        super(); // Explicit call (optional if no-arg exists)
        System.out.println("Child constructor called");
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        new Child();
    }
}

```

### Output:

Parent constructor called  
Child constructor called

## 13. Example 13: super() with Parameters – Person → Student

```

class Person {
    String name;
    Person(String name) {
        this.name = name;
        System.out.println("Person constructor: " + name);
    }
}

class Student extends Person {
    int id;
    Student(String name, int id) {
        super(name); // Must pass name to Parent
        this.id = id;
        System.out.println("Student constructor: ID = " + id);
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Student s = new Student("Ashraful", 2219022);
    }
}

```

### Output:

Person constructor: Ashraful  
Student constructor: ID = 2219022

## Example 14: Constructor Chaining

```

class Person {
    String name;
    int age;

    // Constructor 1: No-arg
    Person() {
        this("Unknown", 0); // chaining inside same class
        System.out.println("Person() called");
    }

    // Constructor 2: One-arg
    Person(String name) {
        this(name, 0); // again chaining
        System.out.println("Person(String) called");
    }

    // Constructor 3: Full (main one)
    Person(String name, int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
        System.out.println("Person(String, int) called");
    }
}

class Student extends Person {
    int roll;

    Student() {
        super(); // calls Person() which chains down
        System.out.println("Student() called");
    }

    Student(String name, int age, int roll) {
        super(name, age); // directly call full parent
        // constructor
        this.roll = roll;
        System.out.println("Student(full) called");
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("--- Creating Student() ---");
        Student s1 = new Student();

        System.out.println("\n--- Creating Student(full) ---");
        Student s2 = new Student("Alice", 20, 101);
    }
}

```

### Expected Output:

```

--- Creating Student() ---
Person(String, int) called
Person(String) called

```

```

Person() called
Student() called

--- Creating Student(full) ---
Person(String, int) called
Student(full) called

```

## 15. Summary Table

| Concept                | Description                     | Example                |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| Single Inheritance     | One class extends one class     | Dog extends Animal     |
| Multilevel Inheritance | Chain: C → B → A                | Puppy → Dog → Animal   |
| Hierarchical           | Many classes extend one class   | Dog, Cat extend Animal |
| Encapsulation          | private fields + public methods | private String name    |
| super.variable         | Access parent field             | super.x                |
| super.method()         | Call parent method              | super.greet()          |
| super()                | Call parent constructor         | super(name)            |
| this()                 | Call another constructor        | this("Unknown")        |
| Method Overriding      | Redefine inherited method       | @Override void sound() |

## 16. Final Task

Design a small system with the following classes using proper inheritance and encapsulation:

- Vehicle (base)
- Car and Bike (derived)
- ElectricCar extends Car

Each class should have private fields, proper constructors, getters/setters, and at least one overridden method.

## 17. Practice Questions

1. Explain why Java does not allow multiple inheritance with classes.
2. What is the difference between super and super()?
3. Write a program showing hierarchical inheritance with Vehicle → Car, Bike, Truck.
4. Create a Person → Student → GraduateStudent multilevel chain with proper constructors and super().
5. Implement a BankAccount class and SavingsAccount subclass with interest calculation using overriding.

6. What happens if you place any statement before `super()` or `this()` in a constructor?

**Keep Coding!**