Inheritance in java

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Inheritance

- A process by which one class can acquire properties of another class is called inheritance.
- When a class inherits from another class, it is called as the sub class.
- The class from which subclass derives its properties is called as a super class.
- When a class inherits from another class, the certain members of the parent class or super class become the part of the subclass.

Inheritance

Class
variables: a,b
Methods: display()
read()

Sub class

Based on the type of inheritance, these members get inherited i.e. become a part of the Subclass. The objects of the subclass would then Not only have subclass members but would also have the inherited parts of the super class.

Types of inheritance

- Single
- Multilevel
- Hierarchical
- Multiple (Not supported)

Single inheritance

- Single inheritance is when one subclass inheritance from one super class.
- The example we saw in the previous slide is an example of a single inheritance.
- It is a simplest form of inheritance.

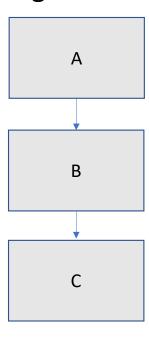
Program to demonstrate single inheritance

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;
class Data
protected int a, b;
public void read(int x, int y)
 a=x;
 b=y;
class Sum extends Data
private int sum;
public void add()
 sum=a+b;
public void display()
 System.out.println("Sum="+sum);
```

```
class singleinheritence{
public static void main (String args[]) {
 int x,y;
 Scanner sc = new Scanner (System.in);
 System.out.println("Enter two numbers");
 x=sc.nextInt();
 y=sc.nextInt();
                                            Data
 Sum s=new Sum();
                                            a,b,
 s.read(x,y);
                                          read(),
 s.add();
 s.display();
                                            Sum
  These two become the
                                           add(),
   part of the class Sum
                                         display()
```

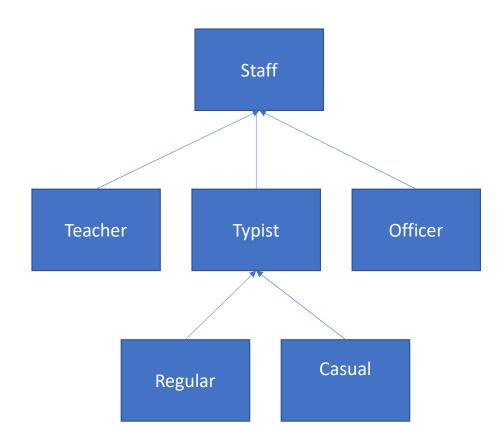
Multilevel inheritance

• It is the type of inheritance where a class is inherited by a subclass, then the subclass again gets inherited by a subclass.



```
class Volume extends Area{
                                                                              class Main{
import java.util.*;
                                  private float volume;
                                                                              public static void main (String args[]) {
class Data{
                                  public void compute()
                                                                               float x;
protected float r;
                                                                               Scanner sc = new Scanner (System.in);
public void read(float x)
                                   volume=area*r*4/3;
                                                                               System.out.println("Enter the radius:");
                                                                               x=sc.nextFloat();
 r=x;
                                  public void output()
                                                                               Volume a=new Volume();
                                                                               a.read(x);
                                    System.out.println("Volume="+volume);
                                                                               a.calculate();
class Area extends Data
                                                                               a.display();
                                                                               a.compute();
                                                                               a.output();
protected float area;
public void calculate()
 area=3.14f*r*r;
public void display()
 System.out.println("Area="+area);
```

Hierarchical inheritance



Method overriding

- If a class has multiple methods with the same name and different parameter list then it is called method overloading.
- If a base class and derived class have a method with the same name but same parameters, then its called method overriding.
- Example 7.6.1

Method overriding example

Code Example:import java.util.*; import java.io.*; class A{ int a= 10; void read(){ System.out.println("read base"); class B extends A{ int a = 20; void read() System.out.println("read derived"); class test{ public static void main(String[] args) { B b = new B();b.read(); // read of derived class overrides the read of base

Explanation:-

When the method of a base class
Has same name and same arguments
Of a derived class, the method of
The derived class is always called.
This is called method overriding.

Final keyword

- We can use this "final" keyword with any member of the class or class itself.
- If a field member is declared as final then the variable value cannot be changed i.e it becomes a constant.
- If a method is declared final, it cannot be overridden.
- If a class is declared as final then that class cannot have any subclass.

Let us see an example of a final method

```
import java.util.*;
                                                                                 class Main{
                                             class Sphere extends Base
                                                                                 public static void main (String args[]) {
class Base{
                                                                                  float x;
                                              public void calculate()
protected float r,vol;
                                                                                   Scanner sc = new Scanner (System.in);
public void read(float x)
                                                                                   System.out.println("Enter the radius:");
                                               vol=3.14f*r*r*r*4/3;
                                                                                  x=sc.nextFloat();
                                                                                   Sphere s=new Sphere();
 r=x;
                                                                                   s.read(x);
final public void display()
                                                                                   s.calculate();
                                              class Hemisphere extends Base
                                                                                   System.out.println("Sphere:");
 System.out.println("Volume="+vol);
                                                                                   s.display();
                                              public void calculate()
                                                                                   Hemisphere h=new Hemisphere();
                                                                                   h.read(x);
                                               vol=3.14f*r*r*r*2/3;
                                                                                   h.calculate();
                                                                                   System.out.println("Hemisphere:");
                                                                                   h.display();
                 Notice how the display() method is declared final.
```

```
import java.util.*;
class Staff
            protected String name;
            protected int code;
class Teacher extends Staff
            private String subject;
            private int experience;
            public void read()
                        Scanner sc = new Scanner (System.in);
                        System.out.println("Enter name, code, subject and experience of the teacher:");
                        name=sc.next();
                        code=sc.nextInt();
                        subject=sc.next();
                        experience=sc.nextInt();
            public void display()
                        System.out.println("Teacher Details:\nName:"+name+"\nCode:"+code
                        +"\nSubject:"+subject+"\nExperience:"+experience);
```

```
class Officer extends Staff
            private
                        String dept;
            private int grade;
            public
                        void read()
                        Scanner sc= new Scanner(System.in);
                        System.out.println("Enter name, code, department and grade of the officer:");
                        name =sc.next();
                        code =sc.nextInt();
                        dept =sc.next();
                        grade =sc.nextInt();
            public void display()
                        System.out.println("Officer Details:\nName:"+name+"\nCode:"+code+
                                     "\nDepartment:"+dept+"\nGrade:"+grade);
class Typist extends Staff
            protected int speed, experience;
```

```
class Regular extends Typist
            private
                        float salary;
            public void read()
                        Scanner sc = new Scanner (System.in);
                        System.out.println("Enter name, code, speed,
experience and salary of the
                                                             regular typist:");
                        name=sc.next();
                        code=sc.nextInt();
                        speed=sc.nextInt();
                        experience=sc.nextInt();
                        salary=sc.nextFloat();
            public void display()
                        System.out.println("Regular Typist
Details:\nName:"+name+"\nCode:"+code+"\nSpeed:"+speed+"\nExperience:"+e
xperience+"\nSalary:"+salary);
```

```
class Casual extends Typist
            private float dailywages;
            public void read()
                        Scanner sc = new Scanner (System.in);
                        System.out.println("Enter name, code, speed,
                                                 the Casual typist:");
experience and daily wages of
                        name=sc.next();
                        code=sc.nextInt();
                        speed=sc.nextInt();
                        experience=sc.nextInt();
                        dailywages=sc.nextFloat();
            public void display()
                        System.out.println("Casual Typist
Details:\nName:"+name+"\nCode:"+code+"
            \nSpeed:"+speed+" \nExperience:"+experience+"\nDaily
Wages:"+dailywages);
```

Abstract class and method

- Abstract class are used to declare common characteristics of subclasses.
- Abstract classes are declared using the keyword "abstract" preceding the class definition. Abstract classes are used to provide a template for subclasses.
- No object can be made of an abstract class. It can be used as a base class for other classes that are derived from the abstract class.
- An abstract class contain fields and methods.
- Refer 7.8.1

```
public abstract class Payment {

    // Abstract method - must be implemented by subclasses
    public abstract void makePayment(double amount);

    // Concrete method - common for all payment types
    public void printReceipt() {

        System.out.println("Payment successful. Receipt generated.");
    }
}
```

Payment.java

```
public class CreditCardPayment extends Payment {
    @Override
    public void makePayment(double amount) {
        System.out.println("Paid ₹" + amount + " using Credit Card.");
    }
}
```

CreditCardPayment.java

```
public class UPIPayment extends Payment {
    @Override
    public void makePayment(double amount) {
        System.out.println("Paid ₹" + amount + " using UPI.");
    }
}
```

UPIPayment.java

```
class Main
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        CreditCardPayment creditcardpayment = new CreditCardPayment();
        creditcardpayment.makePayment(1500);
        creditcardpayment.printReceipt();

        UPIPayment upipayment = new UPIPayment();
        upipayment.makePayment(1000);
        upipayment.printReceipt();
    }
}
```

```
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Arrays;
// import java.util.ArrayList;
class Main
  public static void main(String[] args)
    List<Payment> payments = Arrays.asList(
    new CreditCardPayment(),
    new UPIPayment()
    );
    // List<Payment> payments = ArrayList(
    // new CreditCardPayment(),
    // new UPIPayment(),
    // new PayPalPayment()
    //);
    for (Payment p : payments) {
      p.makePayment(1000);
```

Constructors in java

- Constructors cannot be inherited.
- However the derived classes can access the base class constructors using the super keyword.
- Let us see an example below

Super keyword

- If you want to access the base class member from the derived class, then we use the super keyword.
- This is especially to access the constructors and method members of the super class.
- Generally it is used for accessing those members of the base class that are not inherited or cannot be inherited.
- We know that the constructors cannot be inherited.
- So if a base class has a constructor and the derived class object needs to call the base constructor, then we can create a derived class constructor and then within it definition we can use the super keyword to call the base class constructor.

When to use super keyword

- When an object of a subclass is created, an instance of a [aren't class is implicitly created that can be referenced using super keyword.
 - A super keyword is used to access the base class variable
 - A super keyword is used to access the base class method
 - A super keyword is used to access the base class constructor

1. Super to access base class variable

```
import java.io.*;
    class Animal
   protected String color="white";
11
12
    class Dog extends Animal
15 String color="black";
    void printColor()
  System.out.println(color);//prints color of Dog class
    System.out.println(super.color);//prints color of Animal class
21
    class super1
23
        public static void main(String[] args) {
            Dog d = new Dog();
            d.printColor();
```

2. Super to access class method()

```
//class method - super.method()
    import java.io.*;
    class Animal{
    void eat(){
        System.out.println("eating...");
    class Dog extends Animal
11
    void eat(){
        System.out.println("eating bread...");
12
13
    void bark(){
        System.out.println("barking...");
15
17 ▼ void work(){
        super.eat();
        bark();
        eat();
21
22
23 ▼ class super2{
        public static void main(String[] args) {
            Dog d = new Dog();
26
            d.work();
27
```

3. Super to access base class constructor

```
//constructors - super()
    import java.io.*;
    class Animal{
        int a=100;
        Animal(String a)
            System.out.println("animal is created"+a);
11
12
13
    class Dog extends Animal{
        int a=200;
        Dog(String x, String y){
15
            super(x);
            System.out.println("dog is created"+x+y);
17
18
        Animal animal = new Animal("ABC");
    class super3
21
22
        public static void main(String[] args) {
23
            Dog d = new Dog("A", "B");
```

Explanation

- An object c is created of the child class. The constructor as we know is automatically called.
- In the child class, we have the constructor called child which can call the constructor of the parent class using super().
- When super keyword is written, without specifying the method name, the constructor of the base class is called.
- The display() method is then called for the child class. Again using the keyword "super", the display() method of the parent class is called.
- This is how we can prevent method overriding.

Interface

- Java doesn't support multiple inheritance.
- This problem is solved in java using Interface.
- Some features of interface:
 - One interface can extend as many interfaces as required.
 - A java class can implement as many interfaces as required.
 - A class that implements an interface has to either define all methods of that interface or declare abstract methods whose definitions may be defined in the subclass.

Extending the interface

- Interface can be used for defineing a general template and then classes can implement the interface and hence inherit the properties of the "interface".
- Interface just specify the method declaration and can also contain fields.
- Methods of the interface must be public or abstract.

Variables in the interface

- The fields are implicitly public static final.
- The definition of the interface begins with the keyword interface.
- No object can be made of an interface i.e. it cannot be instantiated.
- Refer program 7.9.1