

For-each loop in Java

The for-each loop introduced in Java5. It is mainly used to traverse array or collection elements. The advantage of for-each loop is that it eliminates the possibility of bugs and makes the code more readable.

For-each is another array traversing technique like for loop, while loop, do-while loop introduced in Java5.

- It starts with the keyword **for** like a normal for-loop.
- Instead of declaring and initializing a loop counter variable, you declare a variable that is the same type as the base type of the array, followed by a colon, which is then followed by the array name.
- In the loop body, you can use the loop variable you created rather than using an indexed array element.

Advantage of for-each loop:

- It makes the code more readable.
- It eliminates the possibility of programming errors.

Syntax of for-each loop:

1. **for**(data_type variable : array | collection){}

Simple Example of for-each loop for traversing the array elements:

```
class ForEachExample1{  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        int arr[]={12,13,14,44};  
  
        for(int i:arr){  
            System.out.println(i);  
        }  
  
    }  
}
```

The java command-line argument is an argument i.e. passed at the time of running the java program.

The arguments passed from the console can be received in the java program and it can be used as an input.

So, it provides a convenient way to check the behavior of the program for the different values. You can pass **N** (1,2,3 and so on) numbers of arguments from the command prompt.

Simple example of command-line argument in java

In this example, we are receiving only one argument and printing it. To run this java program, you must pass at least one argument from the command prompt.

```
class CommandLineExample{  
public static void main(String args[]){  
    System.out.println("Your first argument is: "+args[0]);  
}  
}
```

compile by > javac CommandLineExample.java

run by > java CommandLineExample sonoo

Output: Your first argument is: sonoo

Access Modifiers in java

1. private access modifier
2. protected access modifier
3. public access modifier

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The access modifiers in java specifies accessibility (scope) of a data member, method, constructor or class.

There are 4 types of java access modifiers:

1. private
2. protected
3. public

There are many non-access modifiers such as static, abstract, synchronized, native, volatile, transient etc. Here, we will learn access modifiers.

1) private access modifier

The private access modifier is accessible only within class.

2) protected access modifier

The **protected access modifier** is accessible within package and outside the package but through inheritance only.

The protected access modifier can be applied on the data member, method and constructor. It can't be applied on the class.

3) public access modifier

The **public access modifier** is accessible everywhere. It has the widest scope among all other modifiers.

Encapsulation in Java

Encapsulation in Java is a *process of wrapping code and data together into a single unit*, for example, a capsule which is mixed of several medicines.

We can create a fully encapsulated class in Java by making all the data members of the class private. Now we can use setter and getter methods to set and get the data in it.

Advantage of Encapsulation in Java

By providing only a setter or getter method, you can make the class **read-only or write-only**. In other words, you can skip the getter or setter methods.

It provides you the **control over the data**. Suppose you want to set the value of id which should be greater than 100 only, you can write the logic inside the setter method. You can write the logic not to store the negative numbers in the setter methods.

It is a way to achieve **data hiding** in Java because other class will not be able to access the data through the private data members.

Java Math class

Java Math class provides several methods to work on math calculations like min(), max(), avg(), sin(), cos(), tan(), round(), ceil(), floor(), abs() etc.

Unlike some of the StrictMath class numeric methods, all implementations of the equivalent function of Math class can't define to return the bit-for-bit same results. This relaxation permits implementation with better-performance where strict reproducibility is not required.

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[Math.ceil\(\)](#)

It is used to find the smallest integer value that is greater than or equal to the argument or mathematical integer.

Java String class methods

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`boolean equals(Object another)`

checks the equality of
string with the given
object.

with given index.

Java String compare

We can compare string in java on the basis of content and reference.

It is used in **authentication** (by equals() method), **sorting** (by compareTo() method), **reference matching** (by == operator) etc.

There are three ways to compare string in java:

1. By equals() method
2. By == operator
3. By compareTo() method

1) String compare by equals() method

The String equals() method compares the original content of the string. It compares values of string for equality. String class provides two methods:

- **public boolean equals(Object another)** compares this string to the specified object.
- **public boolean equalsIgnoreCase(String another)** compares this String to another string, ignoring case.

2) String compare by == operator

The == operator compares references not values.

3) String compare by compareTo() method

The String compareTo() method compares values lexicographically and returns an integer value that describes if first string is less than, equal to or greater than second string.

Suppose s1 and s2 are two string variables. If:

- **s1 == s2** :0
- **s1 > s2** :positive value
- **s1 < s2** :negative value

7) There are **many ways to create object** in java such as new keyword,

There is only **one way to define class** in java

va.

- 5) In java, method overloading can't be performed by changing return type of the method only. *Return type can be same or different* in method overloading. But you must have to *Return type must be same or covariant* in method overriding.

change the parameter.

Constructor

Constructors in Java

In Java, a constructor is a block of codes similar to the method. It is called when an instance of the object is created, and memory is allocated for the object.

It is a special type of method which is used to initialize the object.

When is a constructor called

Every time an object is created using new() keyword, at least one constructor is called. It calls a default constructor.

Note: It is called constructor because it constructs the values at the time of object creation. It is not necessary to write a constructor for a class. It is because java compiler creates a default constructor if your class doesn't have any.

Rules for creating Java constructor

There are two rules defined for the constructor.

1. Constructor name must be the same as its class name
2. A Constructor must have no explicit return type
3. A Java constructor cannot be abstract, static, final, and synchronized

Types of Java constructors

There are two types of constructors in Java:

1. Default constructor (no-arg constructor)
2. Parameterized constructor

Constructor Overloading in Java

In Java, a constructor is just like a method but without return type. It can also be overloaded like Java methods.

Constructor overloading in Java is a technique of having more than one constructor with

The constructor name must be same as the class name.

The method name may or may not be same as class name.

Java Garbage Collection

In java, garbage means unreferenced objects.

Garbage Collection is process of reclaiming the runtime unused memory automatically. In other words, it is a way to destroy the unused objects.

To do so, we were using `free()` function in C language and `delete()` in C++. But, in java it is performed automatically. So, java provides better memory management.

Advantage of Garbage Collection

- It makes java **memory efficient** because garbage collector removes the unreferenced objects from heap memory.
- It is **automatically done** by the garbage collector(a part of JVM) so we don't need to make extra efforts.

finalize() method

The finalize() method is invoked each time before the object is garbage collected. This method can be used to perform cleanup processing. This method is defined in Object class as:

1. **protected void** finalize(){}

The Garbage collector of JVM collects only those objects that are created by new keyword. So if you have created any object without new, you can use finalize method to perform cleanup processing (destroying remaining objects).

gc() method

The gc() method is used to invoke the garbage collector to perform cleanup processing. The gc() is found in System and Runtime classes.

1. **public static void** gc(){}

Java static keyword

The **static keyword** in Java is used for memory management mainly. We can apply java static keyword with variables, methods, blocks and nested class. The static keyword belongs to the class than an instance of the class.

The static can be:

1. Variable (also known as a class variable)
2. Method (also known as a class method)
3. Block
4. Nested class

Static variable

If you declare any variable as static, it is known as a static variable.

- The static variable can be used to refer to the common property of all objects (which is not unique for each object), for example, the company name of

employees, college name of students, etc.

- The static variable gets memory only once in the class area at the time of class loading.

Advantages of static variable

It makes your program **memory efficient** (i.e., it saves memory).

2) Java static method

If you apply static keyword with any method, it is known as static method.

- A static method belongs to the class rather than the object of a class.
- A static method can be invoked without the need for creating an instance of a class.
- A static method can access static data member and can change the value of it.

Q) Why is the Java main method static?

Ans) It is because the object is not required to call a static method. If it were a non-static method, JVM creates an object first then call main() method that will lead the problem of extra memory allocation.

this keyword in java

There can be a lot of usage of **java this keyword**. In java, this is a **reference variable** that refers to the current object.

Usage of java this keyword

Here is given the 6 usage of java this keyword.

1. this can be used to refer current class instance variable.
2. this can be used to invoke current class method (implicitly)
3. this() can be used to invoke current class constructor.
4. this can be passed as an argument in the method call.
5. this can be passed as argument in the constructor call.
6. this can be used to return the current class instance from the method.

1) this: to refer current class instance variable

The this keyword can be used to refer current class instance variable. If there is ambiguity between the instance variables and parameters, this keyword resolves the problem of ambiguity.

```
1. class Student{
2.     int rollno;
3.     String name;
4.     float fee;
5.     Student(int rollno,String name,float fee){
6.         this.rollno=rollno;
7.         this.name=name;
8.         this.fee=fee;
9.     }
10.    void display(){System.out.println(rollno+" "+name+" "+fee);}
11. }
12.
13. class TestThis2{
14.     public static void main(String args[]){
15.         Student s1=new Student(111,"ankit",5000f);
16.         Student s2=new Student(112,"sumit",6000f);
17.         s1.display();
18.         s2.display();
19.     }}
```

2) this: to invoke current class method

You may invoke the method of the current class by using the this keyword. If you don't use the this keyword, compiler automatically adds this keyword while invoking the method. Let's see the example

this() : to invoke current class constructor

The this() constructor call can be used to invoke the current class constructor. It is used to reuse the constructor. In other words, it is used for constructor chaining.

Calling default constructor from parameterized constructor:

```
1. class A{
2.     A(){System.out.println("hello a");}
3.     A(int x){
4.         this();
5.         System.out.println(x);
```

```
6. }
7. }
8. class TestThis5{
9. public static void main(String args[]){
10. A a=new A(10);
11. }}
```

Inheritance in Java

1. [Inheritance](#)
2. [Types of Inheritance](#)
3. [Why multiple inheritance is not possible in Java in case of class?](#)

Inheritance in Java is a mechanism in which one object acquires all the properties and behaviors of a parent object. It is an important part of OOPs (Object Oriented programming system).

The idea behind inheritance in Java is that you can create new classes that are built upon existing classes. When you inherit from an existing class, you can reuse methods and fields of the parent class. Moreover, you can add new methods and fields in your current class also.

Inheritance represents the **IS-A relationship** which is also known as a *parent-child* relationship.

Why use inheritance in java

- For Method Overriding (so runtime polymorphism can be achieved).
- For Code Reusability.

Terms used in Inheritance

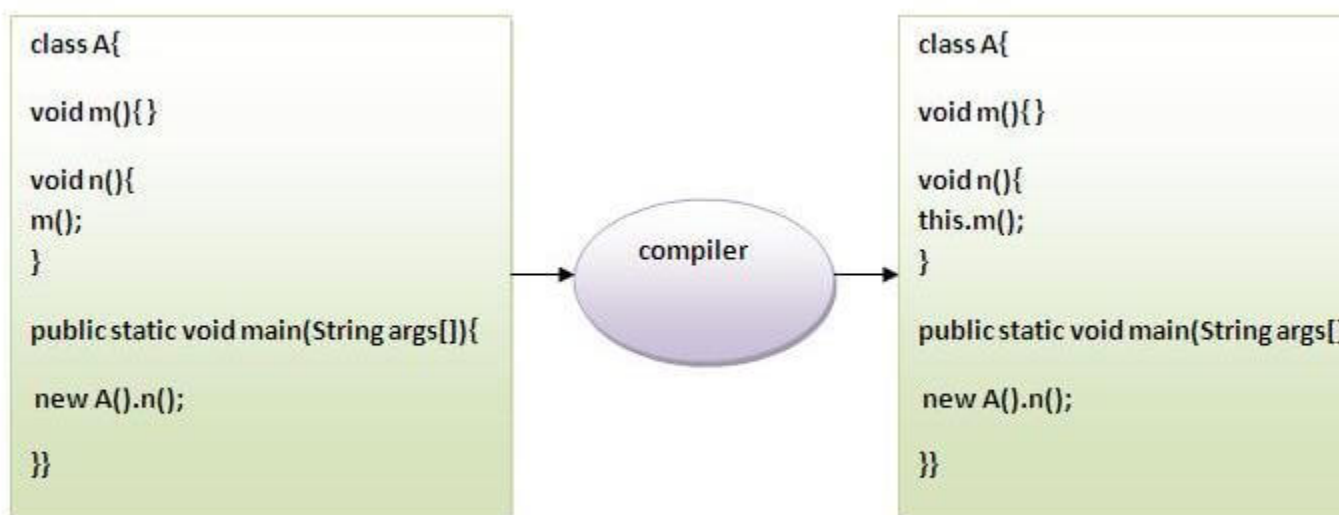
- **Class:** A class is a group of objects which have common properties. It is a template or blueprint from which objects are created.
- **Sub Class/Child Class:** Subclass is a class which inherits the other class. It is also called a derived class, extended class, or child class.
- **Super Class/Parent Class:** Superclass is the class from where a subclass inherits the features. It is also called a base class or a parent class.
- **Reusability:** As the name specifies, reusability is a mechanism which facilitates you to reuse the fields and methods of the existing class when you create a new class. You can use the same fields and methods already defined in the previous class.

The syntax of Java Inheritance

1. **class** Subclass-name **extends** Superclass-name
2. {
3. //methods and fields
4. }

The **extends keyword** indicates that you are making a new class that derives from an existing class. The meaning of "extends" is to increase the functionality.

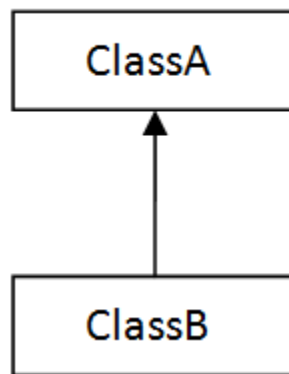
In the terminology of Java, a class which is inherited is called a parent or superclass, and the new class is called child or subclass.



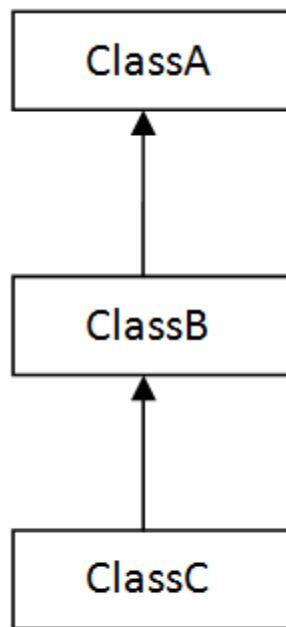
Types of inheritance in java

On the basis of class, there can be three types of inheritance in java: single, multilevel and hierarchical.

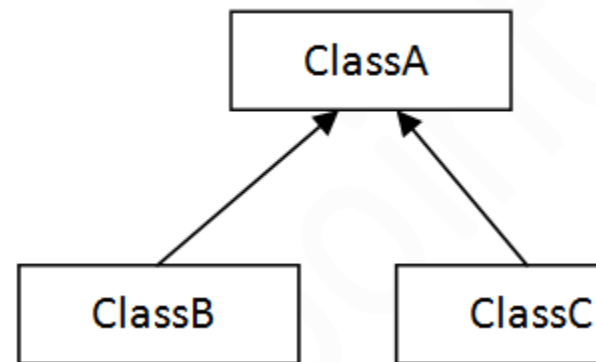
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1) Single



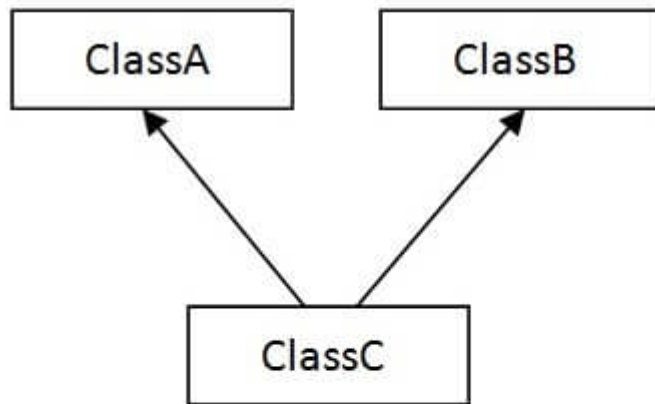
2) Multilevel



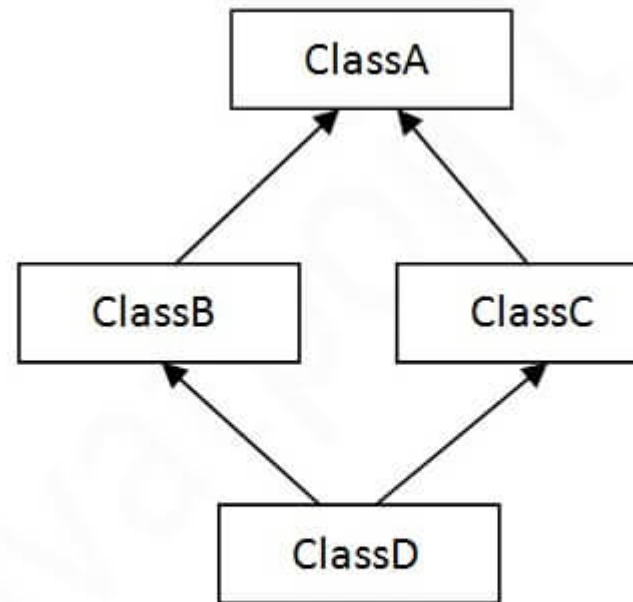
3) Hierarchical

Note: Multiple inheritance is not supported in Java through class.

When one class inherits multiple classes, it is known as multiple inheritance. For Example:



4) Multiple

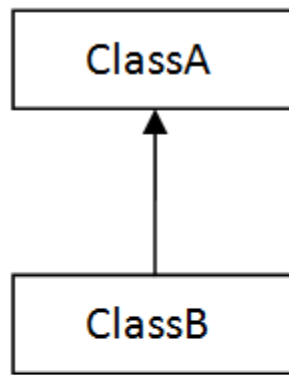


5) Hybrid

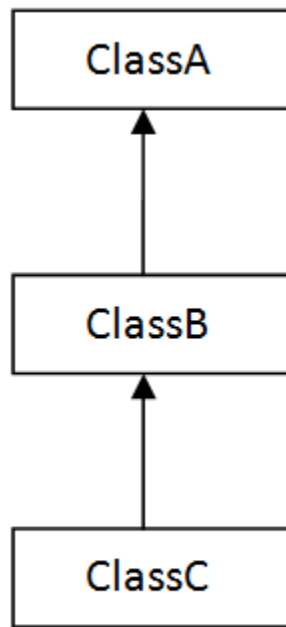
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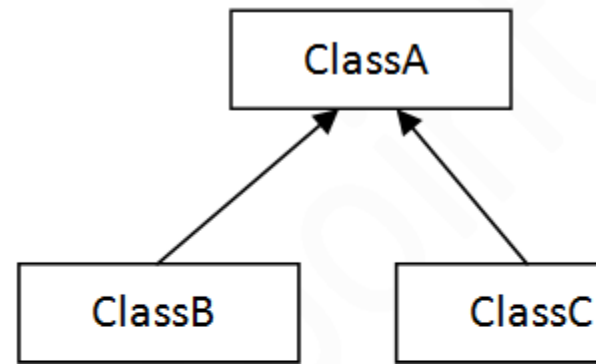
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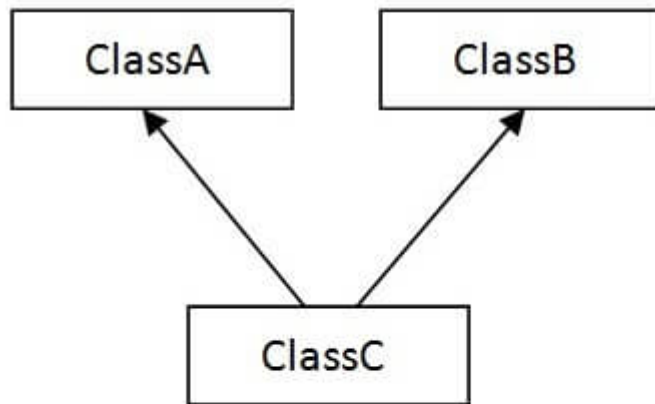
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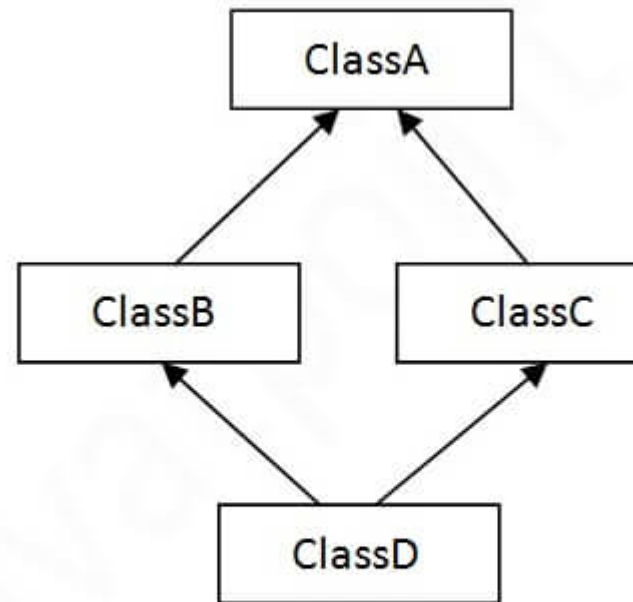
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5) Hybrid

Q) Why multiple inheritance is not supported in java?

To reduce the complexity and simplify the language, multiple inheritance is not supported in java.

Consider a scenario where A, B, and C are three classes. The C class inherits A and B classes. If A and B classes have the same method and you call it from child class object, there will be ambiguity to call the method of A or B class.

Since compile-time errors are better than runtime errors, Java renders compile-time error if you inherit 2 classes. So whether you have same method or different, there will be compile time error.

Method Overloading in Java

1. Different ways to overload the method
2. By changing the no. of arguments

3. By changing the datatype
4. Why method overloading is not possible by changing the return type
5. Can we overload the main method
6. method overloading with Type Promotion

If a class has multiple methods having same name but different in parameters, it is known as **Method Overloading**.

If we have to perform only one operation, having same name of the methods increases the readability of the program.

Suppose you have to perform addition of the given numbers but there can be any number of arguments, if you write the method such as `a(int,int)` for two parameters, and `b(int,int,int)` for three parameters then it may be difficult for you as well as other programmers to understand the behavior of the method because its name differs.

So, we perform method overloading to figure out the program quickly.

Advantage of method overloading

Method overloading *increases the readability of the program*.

Different ways to overload the method

There are two ways to overload the method in java

1. By changing number of arguments
2. By changing the data type

1) Method Overloading: changing no. of arguments

In this example, we have created two methods, first `add()` method performs addition of two numbers and second `add` method performs addition of three numbers.

In this example, we are creating static methods so that we don't need to create instance for calling methods.

```
1. class Adder{
2.     static int add(int a,int b){return a+b;}
3.     static int add(int a,int b,int c){return a+b+c;}
4. }
5. class TestOverloading1{
6.     public static void main(String[] args){
7.         System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11));
8.         System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11,11));
9.     }}
```

2) Method Overloading: changing data type of arguments

In this example, we have created two methods that differs in data type. The first add method receives two integer arguments and second add method receives two double arguments.

```
1. class Adder{
2.     static int add(int a, int b){return a+b;}
3.     static double add(double a, double b){return a+b;}
4. }
5. class TestOverloading2{
6.     public static void main(String[] args){
7.         System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11));
8.         System.out.println(Adder.add(12.3,12.6));
9.     }}
```

Q) Why Method Overloading is not possible by changing the return type of method only?

In java, method overloading is not possible by changing the return type of the method only because of ambiguity. Let's see how ambiguity may occur:

```
1. class Adder{
2.     static int add(int a,int b){return a+b;}
3.     static double add(int a,int b){return a+b;}
4. }
5. class TestOverloading3{
6.     public static void main(String[] args){
7.         System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11));//ambiguity
8.     }}
```

Method Overriding in Java

1. [Understanding the problem without method overriding](#)
2. [Can we override the static method](#)
3. [Method overloading vs. method overriding](#)

If subclass (child class) has the same method as declared in the parent class, it is known as **method overriding in Java**.

In other words, If a subclass provides the specific implementation of the method that has been declared by one of its parent class, it is known as method overriding.

Usage of Java Method Overriding

- Method overriding is used to provide the specific implementation of a method which is already provided by its superclass.
- Method overriding is used for runtime polymorphism

Rules for Java Method Overriding

1. The method must have the same name as in the parent class
2. The method must have the same parameter as in the parent class.
3. There must be an IS-A relationship (inheritance).

Example of method overriding

In this example, we have defined the run method in the subclass as defined in the parent class but it has some specific implementation. The name and parameter of the method are the same, and there is IS-A relationship between the classes, so there is method overriding.

```
1. //Java Program to illustrate the use of Java Method Overriding
2. //Creating a parent class.
3. class Vehicle{
4.     //defining a method
5.     void run(){System.out.println("Vehicle is running");}
6. }
7. //Creating a child class
8. class Bike2 extends Vehicle{
9.     //defining the same method as in the parent class
10.    void run(){System.out.println("Bike is running safely");}
11.
12.    public static void main(String args[]){
13.        Bike2 obj = new Bike2();//creating object
14.        obj.run();//calling method
15.    }
16. }
```

Final Keyword In Java

1. [Final variable](#)
2. [Final method](#)

3. [Final class](#)
4. [Is final method inherited ?](#)
5. [Blank final variable](#)
6. [Static blank final variable](#)
7. [Final parameter](#)
8. [Can you declare a final constructor](#)

The **final keyword** in java is used to restrict the user. The java final keyword can be used in many context. Final can be:

1. variable
2. method
3. class

The final keyword can be applied with the variables, a final variable that have no value it is called blank final variable or uninitialized final variable. It can be initialized in the constructor only. The blank final variable can be static also which will be initialized in the static block only. We will have detailed learning of these. Let's first learn the basics of final keyword.



1) Java final variable

If you make any variable as final, you cannot change the value of final variable(It will be constant).

2) Java final method

If you make any method as final, you cannot override it.

3) Java final class

If you make any class as final, you cannot extend it.

Q) Is final method inherited?

Ans) Yes, final method is inherited but you cannot override it.