Unit-3

Syllabus: Inheritance: Inheritance vs. Aggregation, Polymorphism, Method Overloading Method Overriding, super keyword, final keyword, Abstract class. Interfaces, Packages and Enumeration: Interface, Packages, java.lang package, Enum type

Inheritance in Java

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

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

- 1. **class** Employee{
- 2. **float** salary=40000;
- 3. }
- 4. class Programmer extends Employee{
- 5. **int** bonus=10000;
- 6. **public static void** main(String args[]){
- 7. Programmer p=**new** Programmer();
- 8. System.out.println("Programmer salary is:"+p.salary);
- 9. System.out.println("Bonus of Programmer is:"+p.bonus);
- 10.}
- 11.}

Test it Now

Programmer salary is:40000.0

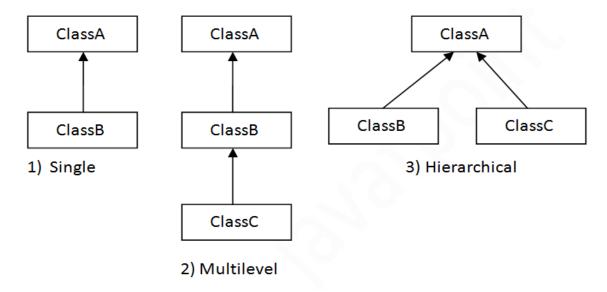
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In the above example, Programmer object can access the field of own class as well as of Employee class i.e. code reusability.

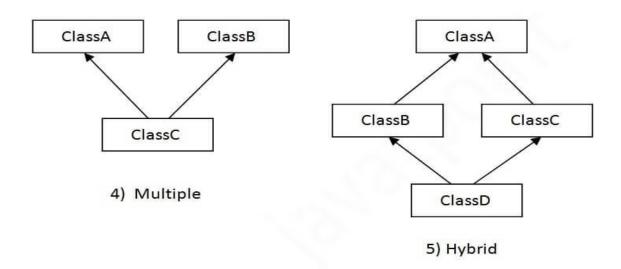
Types of inheritance in java

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

In java programming, multiple and hybrid inheritance is supported through interface only. We will learn about interfaces later.



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



Single Inheritance Example

File: TestInheritance.java

barking...

eating...

class Animal{
 void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
 }
 class Dog extends Animal{
 void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
 }
 class TestInheritance{
 public static void main(String args[]){
 Dog d=new Dog();
 d.bark();
 d.eat();
 }
 Output:

Multilevel Inheritance Example

```
File: TestInheritance2.java
1. class Animal{
2. void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
3. }
4. class Dog extends Animal{
5. void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
6. }
7. class BabyDog extends Dog{
8. void weep(){System.out.println("weeping...");}
9. }
10. class TestInheritance2{
11. public static void main(String args[]){
12. BabyDog d=new BabyDog();
13. d.weep();
14. d.bark();
15. d.eat();
16. }}
   Output:
   weeping...
   barking...
   eating...
```

Hierarchical Inheritance Example

```
File: TestInheritance3.java
1. class Animal{
2. void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
3. }
4. class Dog extends Animal{
5. void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
6. }
7. class Cat extends Animal{
8. void meow(){System.out.println("meowing...");}
9. }
10. class TestInheritance3{
11. public static void main(String args[]){
```

```
12. Cat c=new Cat();
13. c.meow();
14. c.eat();
15. //c.bark();//C.T.Error
16. }}
Output:
meowing...
eating...
```

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.

```
    class A{
    void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
    }
    class B{
    void msg(){System.out.println("Welcome");}
    }
    class C extends A,B{//suppose if it were
    public static void main(String args[]){
    C obj=new C();
    obj.msg();//Now which msg() method would be invoked?
    }
```

Test it Now

Compile Time Error

Aggregation in Java

If a class have an entity reference, it is known as Aggregation. Aggregation represents HAS-A relationship.

When use Aggregation?

- Code reuse is also best achieved by aggregation when there is no is-a relationship.
- Inheritance should be used only if the relationship is-a is maintained throughout the lifetime of the objects involved; otherwise, aggregation is the best choice.

Example of Aggregation

```
public class Address {
String city, state, country;
public Address(String city, String state, String country) {
         this.city = city;
         this.state = state;
         this.country = country;
       } }
public class Emp {
       int id;
       String name;
       Address address:
       public Emp(int id, String name, Address address) {
         this.id = id;
         this.name = name;
         this.address=address;
       }
       void display(){
       System.out.println(id+" "+name);
       System.out.println(address.city+" "+address.state+" "+address.country);
       public static void main(String[] args) {
       Address address1=new Address("gzb","UP","india");
       Address address2=new Address("gno","UP","india");
       Emp e=new Emp(111,"varun",address1);
       Emp e2=new Emp(112,"arun",address2);
       e.display();
       e2.display(); } }
```

Super Keyword in Java

The **super** keyword in Java is a reference variable which is used to refer immediate parent class object.

Whenever you create the instance of subclass, an instance of parent class is created implicitly which is referred by super reference variable.

Usage of Java super Keyword

- 1. super can be used to refer immediate parent class instance variable.
- 2. super can be used to invoke immediate parent class method.
- 3. super() can be used to invoke immediate parent class constructor.

1. super is used to refer immediate parent class instance variable.

We can use super keyword to access the data member or field of parent class. It is used if parent class and child class have same fields

```
1. class Animal{
2. String color="white";
3. }
4. class Dog extends Animal{
5. String color="black";
6. void printColor(){
7. System.out.println(color);//prints color of Dog class
8. System.out.println(super.color);//prints color of Animal class
9. }
10. }
11. class TestSuper1{
12. public static void main(String args[]){
13. Dog d=new Dog();
14. d.printColor();
15. }}
   Test it Now
```

Output:

black

white

In the above example, Animal and Dog both classes have a common property color. If we print color property, it will print the color of current class by default. To access the parent property we

need to use super keyword.

2) super can be used to invoke parent class method

The super keyword can also be used to invoke parent class method. It should be used if subclass contains the same method as parent class. In other words, it is used if method is overridden.

```
1. class Animal{
2. void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
3. }
4. class Dog extends Animal{
5. void eat(){System.out.println("eating bread...");}
6. void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
7. void work(){
8. super.eat();
9. bark();
10. }
11. }
12. class TestSuper2{
13. public static void main(String args[]){
14. Dog d=new Dog();
15. d.work();
16. }}
   Test it Now
   Output:
   eating...
   barking...
```

In the above example Animal and Dog both classes have eat() method if we call eat() method from Dog class, it will call the eat() method of Dog class by default because priority is given to local. To call the parent class method, we need to use super keyword.

3) super is used to invoke parent class constructor.

The super keyword can also be used to invoke the parent class constructor. Let's see a simple example:

```
    class Animal{
    Animal(){System.out.println("animal is created");}
    }
    class Dog extends Animal{
    Dog(){
    super();
```

7. System.out.println("dog is created");

```
8. }
9. }
10. class TestSuper3{
11. public static void main(String args[]){
12. Dog d=new Dog();
13. }}
   Test it Now
   Output:
   animal is created
   dog is created
   As we know well that default constructor is provided by compiler automatically if there is no
   constructor. But, it also adds super() as the first statement.
   Another example of super keyword where super() is provided by the compiler implicitly.
1. class Animal{
2. Animal(){System.out.println("animal is created");}
3. }
4. class Dog extends Animal{
5. Dog(){
6. System.out.println("dog is created");
7. }
8. }
9. class TestSuper4{
10. public static void main(String args[]){
11. Dog d=new Dog();
12. }}
   Test it Now
   Output:
   animal is created
   dog is created
```

super example: real use

Let's see the real use of super keyword. Here, Emp class inherits Person class so all the properties of Person will be inherited to Emp by default. To initialize all the property, we are using parent class constructor from child class. In such way, we are reusing the parent class constructor.

```
1. class Person{
2. int id;
3. String name;
4. Person(int id,String name){
5. this.id=id;
6. this.name=name;
7. }
8. }
9. class Emp extends Person{
10. float salary;
11. Emp(int id, String name, float salary){
12. super(id,name);//reusing parent constructor
13. this.salary=salary;
14. }
15. void display(){System.out.println(id+" "+name+" "+salary);}
16. }
17. class TestSuper5{
18. public static void main(String[] args){
19. Emp e1=new Emp(1,"ankit",45000f);
20. e1.display();
21. }}
   Test it Now
   Output:
   1 ankit 45000
```

Final Keyword In Java

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).

Example of final variable

There is a final variable speedlimit, we are going to change the value of this variable, but It can't be changed because final variable once assigned a value can never be changed.

```
1. class Bike9{
2.
   final int speedlimit=90;//final variable
   void run(){
3.
    speedlimit=400;
4.
5.
  public static void main(String args[]){
6.
   Bike9 obj=new Bike9();
7.
   obj.run();
8.
9.
   }
```

10. }//end of class Test it Now

7.

Output:Compile Time Error

2) Java final method

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

Example of final method

```
    class Bike{
    final void run(){System.out.println("running");}
    }
    class Honda extends Bike{
    void run(){System.out.println("running safely with 100kmph");}
```

```
8.
     public static void main(String args[]){
9.
     Honda honda = new Honda();
10. honda.run();
11. }
12. }
   Test it Now
   Output:Compile Time Error
   3) Java final class
   If you make any class as final, you cannot extend it.
   Example of final class
1. final class Bike{}
2. class Honda1 extends Bike{
    void run(){System.out.println("running safely with 100kmph");}
3.
    public static void main(String args[]){
4.
5.
    Honda1 honda= new Honda1();
    honda.run();
6.
7.
    }
8. }
   Test it Now
   Output:Compile Time Error
   Q) Is final method inherited?
   Ans) Yes, final method is inherited but you cannot override it. For Example:
1. class Bike{
2.
    final void run(){System.out.println("running...");}
3. }
4. class Honda2 extends Bike{
5.
     public static void main(String args[]){
6.
      new Honda2().run();
7.
     }
8. }
   Test it Now
   Output:running...
```

Q) What is blank or uninitialized final variable?

A final variable that is not initialized at the time of declaration is known as blank final variable. If you want to create a variable that is initialized at the time of creating object and once initialized may not be changed, it is useful. For example PAN CARD number of an employee.

It can be initialized only in constructor.

Example of blank final variable

```
1. class Student{
2. int id;
3. String name;
4. final String PAN_CARD_NUMBER;
5. ...
6. }
   Que) Can we initialize blank final variable?
   Yes, but only in constructor. For example:
1. class Bike10{
2.
    final int speedlimit;//blank final variable
3.
    Bike10(){
4.
    speedlimit=70;
5.
    System.out.println(speedlimit);
6.
     }
7.
8.
    public static void main(String args[]){
9.
      new Bike10();
10. }
11. }
```

static blank final variable

A static final variable that is not initialized at the time of declaration is known as static blank final variable. It can be initialized only in static block.

Example of static blank final variable

- 1. **class** A{
- 2. **static final int** data;//static blank final variable
- 3. **static**{ data=**50**;}

Test it Now

Output: 70

- 4. **public static void** main(String args[]){
- 5. System.out.println(A.data);

```
7. }
   Q) What is final parameter?
   If you declare any parameter as final, you cannot change the value of it.
1. class Bike11{
2.
    int cube(final int n){
3.
     n=n+2;//can't be changed as n is final
4.
     n*n*n;
5.
6.
     public static void main(String args[]){
7.
      Bike11 b=new Bike11();
8.
      b.cube(5);
9. }
10. }
```

Test it Now

6. }

Output: Compile Time Error

Abstract class in Java

A class which is declared with the abstract keyword is known as an abstract class in Java. It can have abstract and non-abstract methods (method with the body).

Before learning the Java abstract class, let's understand the abstraction in Java first.

Abstraction in Java

Abstraction is a process of hiding the implementation details and showing only functionality to the user.

Another way, it shows only essential things to the user and hides the internal details, for example, sending SMS where you type the text and send the message. You don't know the internal processing about the message delivery.

Abstraction lets you focus on what the object does instead of how it does it.

Ways to achieve Abstraction

There are two ways to achieve abstraction in java

- 1. Abstract class (0 to 100%)
- 2. Interface (100%)

Abstract class in Java

A class which is declared as abstract is known as an **abstract class**. It can have abstract and non-abstract methods. It needs to be extended and its method implemented. It cannot be instantiated.

Points to Remember

o An abstract class must be declared with an abstract keyword.

- o It can have abstract and non-abstract methods.
- It cannot be instantiated.
- It can have constructors and static methods also.
- It can have final methods which will force the subclass not to change the body of the method.

Example of abstract class

1. abstract class A{}

Abstract Method in Java

A method which is declared as abstract and does not have implementation is known as an abstract method.

Example of abstract method

1. **abstract void** printStatus();//no method body and abstract

Example of Abstract class that has an abstract method

In this example, Bike is an abstract class that contains only one abstract method run. Its implementation is provided by the Honda class.

```
    abstract class Bike{
    abstract void run();
    }
    class Honda4 extends Bike{
    void run(){System.out.println("running safely");}
    public static void main(String args[]){
    Bike obj = new Honda4();
    obj.run();
    }
```

Test it Now

running safely

Understanding the real scenario of Abstract class

In this example, Shape is the abstract class, and its implementation is provided by the Rectangle and Circle classes.

Mostly, we don't know about the implementation class (which is hidden to the end user), and an object of the implementation class is provided by the **factory method**.

A factory method is a method that returns the instance of the class. We will learn about the factory method later.

In this example, if you create the instance of Rectangle class, draw() method of Rectangle class will be invoked. File: TestAbstraction1.java 1. abstract class Shape{ abstract void draw(); 3. } 4. //In real scenario, implementation is provided by others i.e. unknown by end user 5. class Rectangle extends Shape{ 6. **void** draw(){System.out.println("drawing rectangle");} 7. } 8. class Circle1 extends Shape{ 9. **void** draw(){System.out.println("drawing circle");} 10. } 11. //In real scenario, method is called by programmer or user 12. **class** TestAbstraction1{ 13. **public static void** main(String args[]){ 14. Shape s=new Circle1();//In a real scenario, object is provided through method, e.g., getShape() met hod 15. s.draw(); 16. } 17. } Test it Now drawing circle Another example of Abstract class in java File: TestBank.java 1. abstract class Bank{ 2. abstract int getRateOfInterest(); 3. } 4. **class** SBI **extends** Bank{ 5. **int** getRateOfInterest(){**return 7**;} 6. } 7. **class** PNB **extends** Bank{ 8. **int** getRateOfInterest(){**return 8**;} 9. } 10.

```
11. class TestBank{
12. public static void main(String args[]){
13. Bank b;
14. b=new SBI();
15. System.out.println("Rate of Interest is: "+b.getRateOfInterest()+" %");
16. b=new PNB();
17. System.out.println("Rate of Interest is: "+b.getRateOfInterest()+" %");
18. }}
   Test it Now
   Rate of Interest is: 7 %
   Rate of Interest is: 8 %
   Abstract class having constructor, data member and methods
   An abstract class can have a data member, abstract method, method body (non-abstract method),
   constructor, and even main() method.
   File: TestAbstraction2.java
1. //Example of an abstract class that has abstract and non-abstract methods
2. abstract class Bike{
     Bike(){System.out.println("bike is created");}
3.
4.
     abstract void run();
5.
     void changeGear(){System.out.println("gear changed");}
6.
7. //Creating a Child class which inherits Abstract class
8. class Honda extends Bike{
9. void run(){System.out.println("running safely..");}
10. }
11. //Creating a Test class which calls abstract and non-abstract methods
12. class TestAbstraction2{
13. public static void main(String args[]){
14. Bike obj = new Honda();
15. obj.run();
16. obj.changeGear();
17. }
18. }
   Test it Now
       bike is created
       running safely..
        gear changed
```

Rule: If there is an abstract method in a class, that class must be abstract.

- class Bike12{
 abstract void run();
 }
 - Test it Now

compile time error

Rule: If you are extending an abstract class that has an abstract method, you must either provide the implementation of the method or make this class abstract.

Another real scenario of abstract class

The abstract class can also be used to provide some implementation of the interface. In such case, the end user may not be forced to override all the methods of the interface.

Note: If you are beginner to java, learn interface first and skip this example.

```
1. interface A{
2. void a();
3. void b();
4. void c();
5. void d();
6. }
7.
8. abstract class B implements A{
9. public void c(){System.out.println("I am c");}
10. }
11.
12. class M extends B{
13. public void a(){System.out.println("I am a");}
14. public void b(){System.out.println("I am b");}
15. public void d(){System.out.println("I am d");}
16. }
17.
18. class Test5{
19. public static void main(String args[]){
20. A a=new M();
21. a.a();
22. a.b();
```

```
23. a.c();
24. a.d();
25. }}

Test it Now

Output:I am a

I am b

I am c

I am d
```

Interface in Java

An interface in java is a blueprint of a class. It has static constants and abstract methods.

The interface in Java is *a mechanism to achieve abstraction*. There can be only abstract methods in the Java interface, not method body. It is used to achieve abstraction and multiple inheritance in Java.

In other words, you can say that interfaces can have abstract methods and variables. It cannot have a method body.

Java Interface also represents the IS-A relationship.

It cannot be instantiated just like the abstract class.

Since Java 8, we can have **default and static methods** in an interface.

Since Java 9, we can have **private methods** in an interface.

Why use Java interface?

There are mainly three reasons to use interface. They are given below.

- o It is used to achieve abstraction.
- o By interface, we can support the functionality of multiple inheritance.
- o It can be used to achieve loose coupling.

How to declare an interface?

An interface is declared by using the interface keyword. It provides total abstraction; means all the methods in an interface are declared with the empty body, and all the fields are public, static and final by default. A class that implements an interface must implement all the methods declared in the interface.

Syntax:

```
    interface <interface_name>{
    // declare constant fields
    // declare methods that abstract
    // by default.
    }
```

Java 8 Interface Improvement

Since Java 8, interface can have default and static methods which is discussed later.

Internal addition by the compiler

The Java compiler adds public and abstract keywords before the interface method. Moreover, it adds public, static and final keywords before data members.

In other words, Interface fields are public, static and final by default, and the methods are public and abstract.

The relationship between classes and interfaces

As shown in the figure given below, a class extends another class, an interface extends another interface, but a **class implements an interface**.

Java Interface Example

In this example, the Printable interface has only one method, and its implementation is provided in the A6 class.

```
    interface printable{
    void print();
    }
    class A6 implements printable{
    public void print(){System.out.println("Hello");}
    public static void main(String args[]){
    A6 obj = new A6();
    obj.print();
    }
    }
```

Test it Now

Output:

Hello

Java Interface Example: Drawable

In this example, the Drawable interface has only one method. Its implementation is provided by Rectangle and Circle classes. In a real scenario, an interface is defined by someone else, but its implementation is provided by different implementation providers. Moreover, it is used by someone else. The implementation part is hidden by the user who uses the interface.

File: TestInterface1.java

- 1. //Interface declaration: by first user
- 2. **interface** Drawable{
- 3. **void** draw();

```
4. }
5. //Implementation: by second user
6. class Rectangle implements Drawable{
7. public void draw(){System.out.println("drawing rectangle");}
8. }
9. class Circle implements Drawable{
10. public void draw(){System.out.println("drawing circle");}
11. }
12. //Using interface: by third user
13. class TestInterface1{
14. public static void main(String args[]){
15. Drawable d=new Circle();//In real scenario, object is provided by method e.g. getDrawable()
16. d.draw();
17. }}
   Test it Now
   Output:
   drawing circle
   Java Interface Example: Bank
   Let's see another example of java interface which provides the implementation of Bank interface.
   File: TestInterface2.java

    interface Bank{

2. float rateOfInterest();
3. }
4. class SBI implements Bank{
5. public float rateOfInterest(){return 9.15f;}
6. }
7. class PNB implements Bank{
8. public float rateOfInterest(){return 9.7f;}
9. }
10. class TestInterface2{
11. public static void main(String[] args){
12. Bank b=new SBI();
13. System.out.println("ROI: "+b.rateOfInterest());
14. }}
   Test it Now
   Output: ROI: 9.15
```

Multiple inheritance in Java by interface

If a class implements multiple interfaces, or an interface extends multiple interfaces, it is known as multiple inheritance.

```
1. interface Printable{
2. void print();
3. }
4. interface Showable{
5. void show();
6. }
7. class A7 implements Printable, Showable {
8. public void print(){System.out.println("Hello");}
9. public void show(){System.out.println("Welcome");}
10.
11. public static void main(String args[]){
12. A7 obj = new A7();
13. obj.print();
14. obj.show();
15. }
16. }
```

Test it Now

Output:Hello

Welcome

Q) Multiple inheritance is not supported through class in java, but it is possible by an interface, why?

As we have explained in the inheritance chapter, multiple inheritance is not supported in the case of class because of ambiguity. However, it is supported in case of an interface because there is no ambiguity. It is because its implementation is provided by the implementation class. For example:

```
    interface Printable{
    void print();
    interface Showable{
    void print();
    }
    class TestInterface3 implements Printable, Showable{
    public void print(){System.out.println("Hello");}
```

```
10. public static void main(String args[]){
11. TestInterface3 obj = new TestInterface3();
12. obj.print();
13. }
14. }
   Test it Now
   Output:Hello
   As you can see in the above example, Printable and Showable interface have same methods but its
   implementation is provided by class TestTnterface1, so there is no ambiguity.
   Interface inheritance
   A class implements an interface, but one interface extends another interface.
1. interface Printable{
2. void print();
3. }
4. interface Showable extends Printable{
5. void show();
6. }
7. class TestInterface4 implements Showable{
8. public void print(){System.out.println("Hello");}
9. public void show(){System.out.println("Welcome");}
10.
11. public static void main(String args[]){
12. TestInterface4 obj = new TestInterface4();
13. obj.print();
14. obj.show();
15. }
16. }
   Test it Now
   Output:
   Hello
   Welcome
   Java 8 Default Method in Interface
   Since Java 8, we can have method body in interface. But we need to make it default method. Let's
   see an example:
   File: TestInterfaceDefault.java
1. interface Drawable{
2. void draw();
```

```
3. default void msg(){System.out.println("default method");}
4. }
5. class Rectangle implements Drawable{
6. public void draw(){System.out.println("drawing rectangle");}
7. }
8. class TestInterfaceDefault{
9. public static void main(String args[]){
10. Drawable d=new Rectangle();
11. d.draw();
12. d.msg();
13. }}
   Test it Now
   Output:
   drawing rectangle
   default method
   Java 8 Static Method in Interface
   Since Java 8, we can have static method in interface. Let's see an example:
   File: TestInterfaceStatic.java
1. interface Drawable{
2. void draw();
3. static int cube(int x){return x*x*x;}
4. }
5. class Rectangle implements Drawable{
6. public void draw(){System.out.println("drawing rectangle");}
7. }
8.
9. class TestInterfaceStatic{
10. public static void main(String args[]){
11. Drawable d=new Rectangle();
12. d.draw();
13. System.out.println(Drawable.cube(3));
14. }}
   Test it Now
   Output:
   drawing rectangle
   27
   Q) What is marker or tagged interface?
```

An interface which has no member is known as a marker or tagged interface, for example, Serializable, Cloneable, Remote, etc. They are used to provide some essential information to the JVM so that JVM may perform some useful operation.

- 1. //How Serializable interface is written?
- 2. **public interface** Serializable{
- 3. }

Nested Interface in Java

Note: An interface can have another interface which is known as a nested interface. We will learn it in detail in the nested classes chapter. For example:

- 1. **interface** printable{
- 2. **void** print();
- 3. **interface** MessagePrintable{
- 4. **void** msg();
- 5.
- 6. }

Difference between abstract class and interface

Abstract class and interface both are used to achieve abstraction where we can declare the abstract methods. Abstract class and interface both can't be instantiated.

But there are many differences between abstract class and interface that are given below.

Abstract class	Interface
1) Abstract class can have abstract and non-abstractmethods.	Interface can have only abstract methods. Since Java 8, it can have default and static methods also.
2) Abstract class doesn't support multiple inheritance.	Interface supports multiple inheritance.
3) Abstract class can have final, non-final, static and non-static variables.	Interface has only static and final variables.
4) Abstract class can provide the implementation of interface.	Interface can't provide the implementation of abstract class.
5) The abstract keyword is used to declare abstract class.	The interface keyword is used to declare interface.

6) An abstract classcan extend another Java class and implement multiple Java interfaces.	An interface can extend another Java interface only.
7) An abstract class can be extended using keyword "extends".	An interface class can be implemented using keyword "implements".
8) A Javaabstract classcan have class members like private, protected, etc.	Members of a Java interface are public by default.
9)Example: public abstract class Shape{ public abstract void draw(); }	Example: public interface Drawable{ void draw(); }

Simply, abstract class achieves partial abstraction (0 to 100%) whereas interface achieves fully abstraction (100%).

Example of abstract class and interface in Java

Let's see a simple example where we are using interface and abstract class both.

```
1. //Creating interface that has 4 methods
```

```
2. interface A{
```

3. **void** a();//bydefault, public and abstract

```
4. void b();
```

5. **void** c();

```
6. void d();
```

7. }

8.

9. //Creating abstract class that provides the implementation of one method of A interface

```
10. abstract class B implements A{
```

11. **public void** c(){System.out.println("I am C");}

12. }

13.

14. //Creating subclass of abstract class, now we need to provide the implementation of rest of the meth ods

```
15. class M extends B{
```

16. **public void** a(){System.out.println("I am a");}

17. **public void** b(){System.out.println("I am b");}

18. **public void** d(){System.out.println("I am d");}

```
19. }
20.
21. //Creating a test class that calls the methods of A interface
22. class Test5{
23. public static void main(String args[]){
24. A a=new M();
25. a.a();
26. a.b();
27. a.c();
28. a.d();
29. }}
   Test it Now
   Output:
```

```
I am a
I am b
I am c
I am d
```

Method Overriding in Java

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

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

Understanding the problem without method overriding

Let's understand the problem that we may face in the program if we don't use method overriding.

1. //Java Program to demonstrate why we need method overriding

2. //Here, we are calling the method of parent class with child 3. //class object. 4. //Creating a parent class 5. **class** Vehicle{ void run(){System.out.println("Vehicle is running");} 6. 7. } 8. //Creating a child class 9. **class** Bike **extends** Vehicle{ 10. **public static void** main(String args[]){ 11. //creating an instance of child class 12. Bike obj = new Bike();13. //calling the method with child class instance 14. obj.run(); 15. } 16. } Test it Now

Output:

Vehicle is running

Problem is that I have to provide a specific implementation of run() method in subclass that is why we use method overriding.

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. }
Test it Now
Output:
```

Bike is running safely

A real example of Java Method Overriding

Consider a scenario where Bank is a class that provides functionality to get the rate of interest. However, the rate of interest varies according to banks. For example, SBI, ICICI and AXIS banks could provide 8%, 7%, and 9% rate of interest.

Java method overriding is mostly used in Runtime Polymorphism which we will learn in next pages.

- 1. //Java Program to demonstrate the real scenario of Java Method Overriding
- 2. //where three classes are overriding the method of a parent class.
- 3. //Creating a parent class.
- 4. **class** Bank{
- 5. **int** getRateOfInterest(){**return** 0;}
- 6. }
- 7. //Creating child classes.
- 8. **class** SBI **extends** Bank{
- 9. **int** getRateOfInterest(){**return 8**;}
- 10. }
- 11.
- 12. class ICICI extends Bank{
- 13. **int** getRateOfInterest(){**return 7**;}
- 14. }
- 15. class AXIS extends Bank{
- 16. int getRateOfInterest(){return 9;}
- 17. }
- 18. //Test class to create objects and call the methods
- 19. class Test2{
- 20. **public static void** main(String args[]){
- 21. SBI s=**new** SBI();
- 22. ICICI i=new ICICI();
- 23. AXIS a=**new** AXIS();

- 24. System.out.println("SBI Rate of Interest: "+s.getRateOfInterest());
- 25. System.out.println("ICICI Rate of Interest: "+i.getRateOfInterest());
- 26. System.out.println("AXIS Rate of Interest: "+a.getRateOfInterest());
- 27. }
- 28. }

Test it Now

Output:

SBI Rate of Interest: 8
ICICI Rate of Interest: 7
AXIS Rate of Interest: 9

Can we override static method?

No, a static method cannot be overridden. It can be proved by runtime polymorphism, so we will learn it later.

Why can we not override static method?

It is because the static method is bound with class whereas instance method is bound with an object. Static belongs to the class area, and an instance belongs to the heap area.

Can we override java main method?

No, because the main is a static method.

Difference between method overloading and method overriding in java

There are many differences between method overloading and method overriding in java. A list of differences between method overloading and method overriding are given below:

No.	Method Overloading	Method Overriding
1)	Method overloading is used to increase the readability of the program.	Method overriding is used to provide the specific implementation of the method that is already provided by its super class.
2)	Method overloading is performed within class.	Method overriding occurs <i>in two</i> classes that have IS-A (inheritance) relationship.
3)	In case of method overloading, parameter must be different.	In case of method overriding, parameter must be

		same.
4)	Method overloading is the example of <i>compile</i> time polymorphism.	Method overriding is the example of <i>run time polymorphism</i> .
5)	In java, method overloading can't be performed by changing return type of the method only. <i>Return type can be same or different</i> in method overloading. But you must have to change the parameter.	Return type must be same or covariant in method overriding.

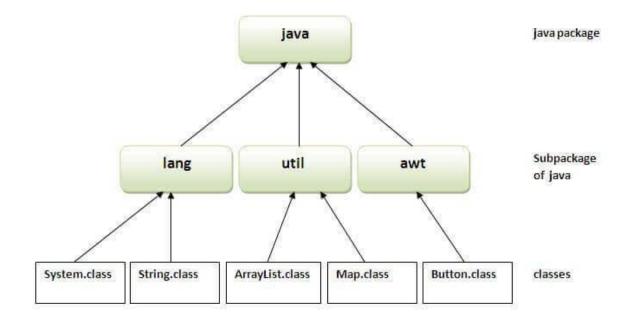
Java Package

A **java package** is a group of similar types of classes, interfaces and sub-packages. Package in java can be categorized in two form, built-in package and user-defined package. There are many built-in packages such as java, lang, awt, javax, swing, net, io, util, sql etc. Here, we will have the detailed learning of creating and using user-defined packages.

Advantage of Java Package

- 1) Java package is used to categorize the classes and interfaces so that they can be easily maintained.
- 2) Java package provides access protection.
- 3) Java package removes naming collision.

Example of predefined package



Simple example of java package

The **package keyword** is used to create a package in java.

```
    //save as Simple.java
    package mypack;
    public class Simple{
    public static void main(String args[]){
    System.out.println("Welcome to package");
    }
    }
```

How to compile java package

If you are not using any IDE, you need to follow the syntax given below:

1. javac -d directory javafilename

For example

1. javac -d . Simple.java

The -d switch specifies the destination where to put the generated class file. You can use any directory name like /home (in case of Linux), d:/abc (in case of windows) etc. If you want to keep the package within the same directory, you can use . (dot).

How to access package from another package?

There are three ways to access the package from outside the package

- import package.*;
- import package.classname;
- fully qualified name.

1) Using packagename.*

- If you use package.* then all the classes and interfaces of this package will be accessible but not subpackages.
- The import keyword is used to make the classes and interface of another package accessible to the current package.

```
package pack;
public class A{
    public void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
}
package mypack;
import pack.*;
class B{
    public static void main(String args[]){
        A obj = new A();
        obj.msg();
        } }
Output:
```

Hello

2) Using packagename.classname

If you import package.classname then only declared class of this package will be accessible.

```
package pack;
public class A{
    public void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
}

package mypack;
import pack.A;
class B{
    public static void main(String args[]){
        A obj = new A();
        obj.msg();
    }
}
Output:
Hello
```

3) Using fully qualified name

- If you use fully qualified name then only declared class of this package will be accessible. Now there is no need to import. But you need to use fully qualified name every time when you are accessing the class or interface.
- It is generally used when two packages have same class name e.g. java.util and java.sql packages contain Date class.

```
package pack;
public class A{
   public void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
}
package mypack;
class B{
   public static void main(String args[]){
    pack.A obj = new pack.A();//using fully qualified name obj.msg();
   }
}
Output:
Hello
```

Enum in Java

The **Enum in Java** is a data type which contains a fixed set of constants.

- It can be used for days of the week (SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY), directions (NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, and WEST), season (SPRING, SUMMER, WINTER, and AUTUMN or FALL), colors (RED, YELLOW, BLUE, GREEN, WHITE, and BLACK) etc.
- According to the Java naming conventions, we should have all constants in capital letters.
 So, we have enum constants in capital letters.

Java Enum internally inherits the *Enum class*, so it cannot inherit any other class, but it can implement many interfaces. We can have fields, constructors, methods, and main methods in Java enum

```
Simple Example of Java Enum
class EnumExample1{
      //defining the enum inside the class
      public enum Season { WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER, FALL }
      public static void main(String[] args) {
      for (Season s : Season.values())
      System.out.println(s);
}
Output:
WINTER
SPRING
SUMMER
FALL
class EnumExample1{
      public enum Season { WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER, FALL }
      public static void main(String[] args) {
      for (Season s : Season.values()){
      System.out.println(s);
      System.out.println("Value of WINTER is: "+Season.valueOf("WINTER"));
      System.out.println("Index of WINTER is: "+Season.valueOf("WINTER").ordinal());
      System.out.println("Index of SUMMER is: "+Season.valueOf("SUMMER").ordinal());
        }
}
```

```
Output:
WINTER
SPRING
SUMMER
FALL
Value of WINTER is: WINTER
Index of WINTER is: 0
Index of SUMMER is: 2
Java Enum Example: Defined outside class
enum Season { WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER, FALL } class EnumExample2{
      public static void main(String[] args) {
      Season s=Season.WINTER;
      System.out.println(s);
}
Java Enum Example: main method inside Enum
If you put main() method inside the enum, you can run the enum directly.
      enum Season {
      WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER, FALL;
      public static void main(String[] args) {
      Season s=Season.WINTER;
      System.out.println(s);
   Output:
```

WINTER

```
Java Enum in a switch statement
class EnumExample5{
      enum Day{ SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY,
SATURDAY }
      public static void main(String args[]){
      Day day=Day.MONDAY;
      switch(day){
      case SUNDAY:
      System.out.println("sunday");
       break;
      case MONDAY:
      System.out.println("monday");
       break;
      default:
      System.out.println("other day");
      }}
Output:
monday
```

Java lang package

Provides classes that are fundamental to the design of the Java programming language. The most important classes are Object, which is the root of the class hierarchy, and Class, instances of which represent classes at run time.

Following are the Important Classes in Java.lang package:

- **1. Boolean**: The Boolean class wraps a value of the primitive type boolean in an object.
- **2.Byte**: The Byte class wraps a value of primitive type byte in an object.

Character – **Set 1**, **Set 2:** The Character class wraps a value of the primitive type char in an object.

3.Character.UnicodeBlock: A family of character subsets representing the character blocks in the Unicode specification. Class – **Set 1**, **Set 2**: Instances of the class Class represent classes and interfaces in a running Java application.

ClassLoader: A class loader is an object that is responsible for loading classes.

ClassValue: Lazily associate a computed value with (potentially) every type.

- **4.Compiler**: The Compiler class is provided to support Java-to-native-code compilers and related services.
- **5. Double**: The Double class wraps a value of the primitive type double in an object.
- **6.Enum**: This is the common base class of all Java language enumeration types.
- **7.Float:** The Float class wraps a value of primitive type float in an object.
- **8.InheritableThreadLocal**: This class extends ThreadLocal to provide inheritance of values from parent thread to child thread: when a child thread is created, the child receives initial values for all inheritable thread-local variables for which the parent has values.
- 9. **Integer**: The Integer class wraps a value of the primitive type int in an object.
- **10.** Long: The Long class wraps a value of the primitive type long in an object.
- Math **Set 1**, **Set 2**: The class Math contains methods for performing basic numeric operations such as the elementary exponential, logarithm, square root, and trigonometric functions.
- **11.Number:** The abstract class Number is the superclass of classes BigDecimal, BigInteger, Byte, Double, Float, Integer, Long, and Short.
- **12.Object**: Class Object is the root of the class hierarchy.
- **13.Package**: Package objects contain version information about the implementation and specification of a Java package.
- **14.Process**: The ProcessBuilder.start() and Runtime.exec methods create a native process and return an instance of a subclass of Process that can be used to control the process and obtain information about it.
- **15.ProcessBuilder**: This class is used to create operating system processes.

ProcessBuilder.Redirect: Represents a source of subprocess input or a destination of subprocess output.

16.Runtime: Every Java application has a single instance of class Runtime that allows the application to interface with the environment in which the application is running.

RuntimePermission: This class is for runtime permissions.

SecurityManager: The security manager is a class that allows applications to implement a security policy.

17.Short: The Short class wraps a value of primitive type short in an object.

18.StackTraceElement: An element in a stack trace, as returned by

Throwable.getStackTrace().

StrictMath- **Set1**, **Set2**: The class StrictMath contains methods for performing basic numeric operations such as the elementary exponential, logarithm, square root, and trigonometric functions.

19.**String- Set1**, **Set2**: The String class represents character strings.

20.**StringBuffer**: A thread-safe, mutable sequence of characters.

21.**StringBuilder**: A mutable sequence of characters.

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