

Object Oriented Programming

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Topic

- Inheritance
- Constructors and Inheritance

Inheritance

Inheritance



Inheritance allows a class (child class) to inherit the features (fields and methods) of another class (parent class). In Java, a class can only extend one other class.

Goals

Code Reusability



Code Readability

In Java

Parent (also Super or Base) Class
and Child (also Sub or Derived) Class

Syntax:

extends

Inheritance

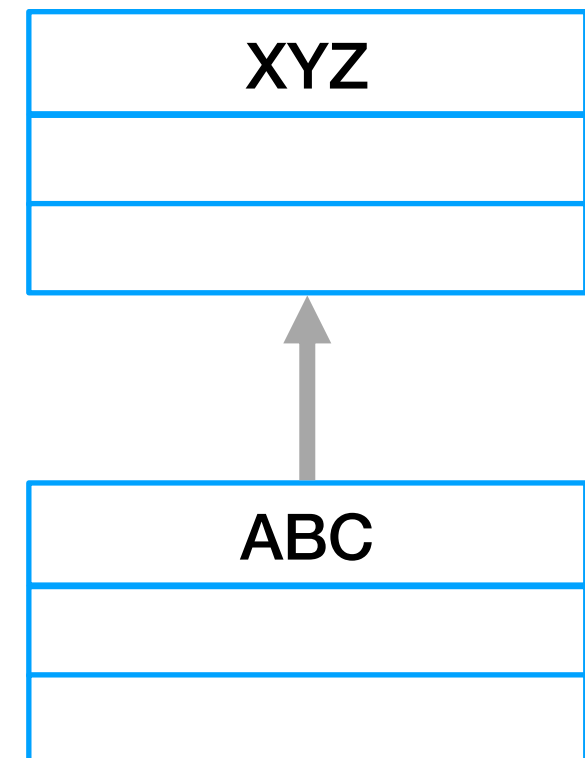
- The process by which one class acquires the properties (**data members**) and **functionalities(methods)** of another class is called **inheritance**.
- **Java Inheritance (Subclass and Superclass)** In Java, it is possible to inherit attributes and methods from one class to another.
- We can group the "**inheritance concept**" into two categories:
 - **subclass (child class)** - the class that inherits from another class
 - **superclass (parent, super or Base class)** - the class being inherited from
- To inherit from a class, use the **extends** keyword.

Syntax: Inheritance in Java

- To **inherit** a class we use **extends** keyword.
- Here class **XYZ** is **child** class and class **ABC** is **parent** class. The class **XYZ** is inheriting the properties and methods of **ABC** class.

```
class ABC extends XYZ  
{  
}
```

UML Diagram



Inheritance Example

- We have a base class **Teacher** and a sub class **PhysicsTeacher**.
- Since class **PhysicsTeacher** **extends** the designation and college properties and **work()** method from base class, we need not to declare these properties and method in sub class.

Output:

```
Beginnersbook  
Teacher  
Physics  
Teaching
```

```
class Teacher {  
    String designation = "Teacher";  
    String collegeName = "Beginnersbook";  
  
    void work() {  
        System.out.println("Teaching");  
    }  
}  
  
public class PhysicsTeacher extends Teacher {  
    String mainSubject = "Physics";  
  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        PhysicsTeacher obj = new PhysicsTeacher();  
        System.out.println(obj.collegeName);  
        System.out.println(obj.designation);  
        System.out.println(obj.mainSubject);  
        obj.work();  
    }  
}
```

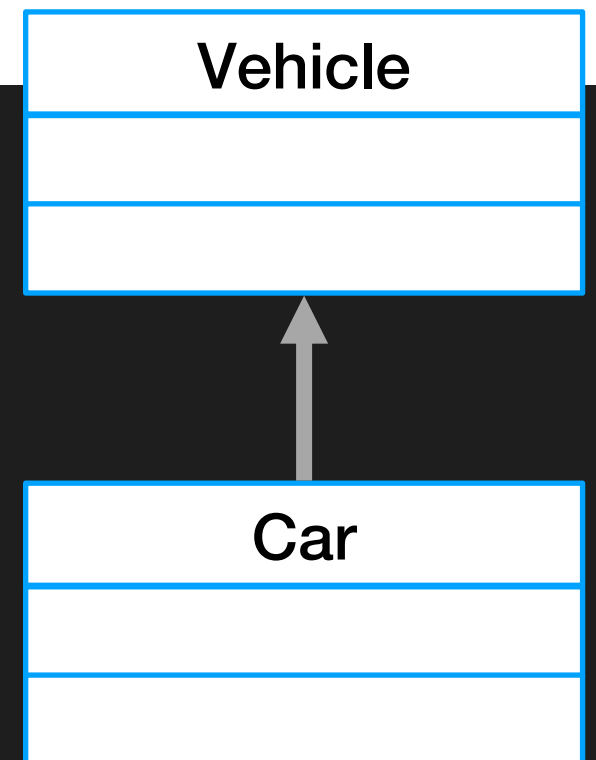
Inheritance Example

- Here we have **collegeName**, **designation** and **work()** method which are common to all the teachers so we have declared them in the **base class**, this way the child classes like **MathTeacher**, **MusicTeacher** and **PhysicsTeacher** do not need to write this code and can be used directly from base class.
- Based on the above example we can say that **PhysicsTeacher IS-A Teacher**. This means that a child class has **IS-A** relationship with the parent class.
- This inheritance is known as **IS-A** relationship between child and parent class

Inheritance Example

- In the example below, the **Car** class (subclass) inherits the attributes and methods from the **Vehicle** class (superclass):

UML Diagram



```
class Vehicle {
    protected String brand = "Ford";           // Vehicle attribute
    public void honk() {                         // Vehicle method
        System.out.println("Tuut, tuut!");
    }
}

class Car extends Vehicle {
    private String modelName = "Mustang";       // Car attribute
    public static void main(String[] args) {

        // Create a myCar object
        Car myCar = new Car();

        // Call the honk() method (from the Vehicle class) on the myCar object
        myCar.honk();

        // Display the value of the brand attribute (from the Vehicle class) and the value of the modelName
        // from the Car class
        System.out.println(myCar.brand + " " + myCar.modelName);
    }
}
```

Inheritance and Encapsulation

- The derived class inherits all the members and methods that are declared as **public** or **protected**.
- If the members or methods of super class are declared as **private** then the **derived class cannot use them directly**. The private members can be accessed only in its own class.
- The private members can only be accessed using **public** or **protected getter and setter methods of super class** as shown in the slide example.

```

class Teacher {
    private String designation = "Teacher";
    private String collegeName = "Beginnersbook";
    public String getDesignation() {
        return designation;
    }
    protected void setDesignation(String designation) {
        this.designation = designation;
    }
    protected String getCollegeName() {
        return collegeName;
    }
    protected void setCollegeName(String collegeName) {
        this.collegeName = collegeName;
    }
    void work() {
        System.out.println("Teaching");
    }
}

public class PhysicsTeacher extends Teacher {
    String mainSubject = "Physics";
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        PhysicsTeacher obj = new PhysicsTeacher();
        /*
         * Note: we are not accessing the data members directly we are using public
         * getter method to access the private members of parent class
         */
        System.out.println(obj.getCollegeName());
        System.out.println(obj.getDesignation());
        System.out.println(obj.mainSubject);
        obj.work();
    }
}

```

The output is:

Beginnersbook

Teacher

Physics

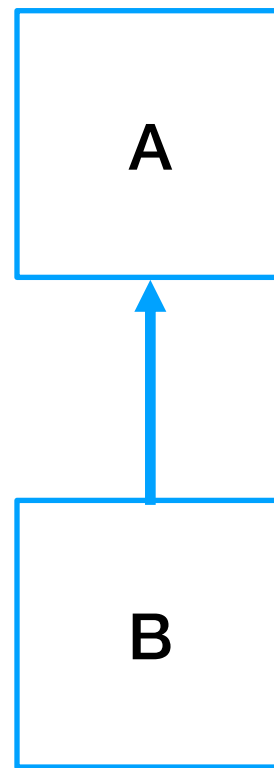
Teaching

Inheritance and Encapsulation

- The important point to note in the previous example is that the **child** class is able to access the private members of parent class through **protected** methods of parent class.
- When we make a instance variable (*data member*) or method protected, this means that they are accessible only in the **class itself** and in **child class**.
- These **public, protected, private** etc. are all access specifiers and we will discuss them in the coming next slide.

Types of inheritance

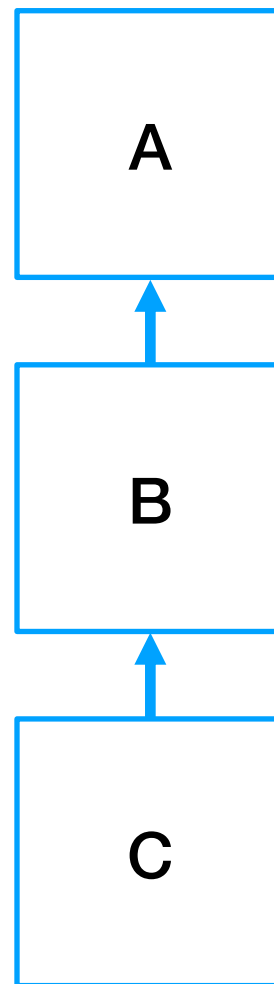
- **Single Inheritance:** refers to a **child** and **parent** class relationship where a class extends the another class



Single Inheritance

Types of inheritance

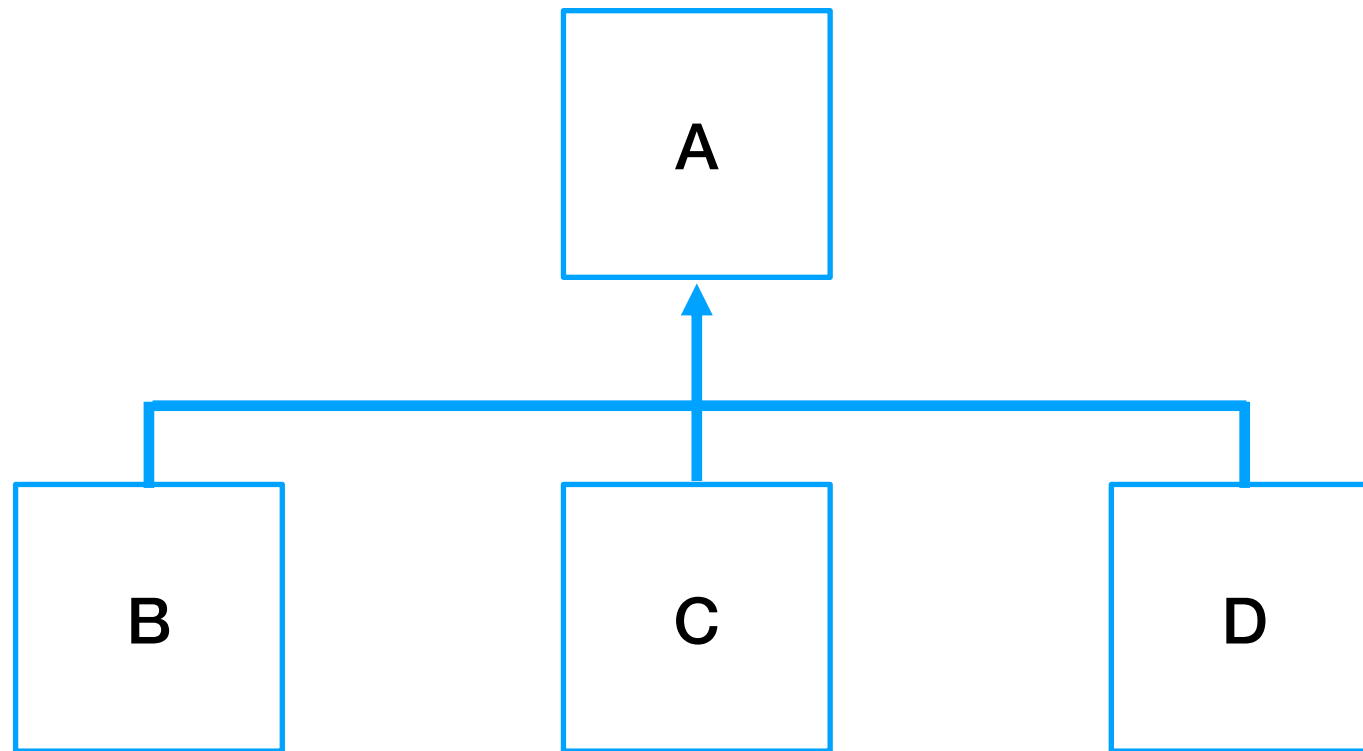
- **Multilevel inheritance:** refers to a child and parent class relationship where a class extends the child class. For example class C extends class B and class B extends class A.



Multilevel inheritance

Types of inheritance

- **Hierarchical inheritance:** refers to a child and parent class relationship where more than one classes extends the same class. For example, classes B, C & D extends the same class A.



Hierarchical inheritance

Constructors and Inheritance

Constructors and Inheritance

- **Constructor** of sub class is invoked when we create the object of **subclass**, it by default invokes the default constructor of **super** class.
- Hence, in inheritance the objects are constructed **top-down**. The superclass constructor can be called explicitly using the **super** keyword, **but it should be first statement in a constructor.**
- The **super** keyword refers to the **superclass**, immediately above of the calling class in the hierarchy.

Constructors and Inheritance

- The use of **super** keyword
 - To access the **data members** of parent class when both parent and child class have member with same name
 - To explicitly call the **no-arg** and **parameterized** constructor of parent class
 - To access the method of parent class when child class has **overridden that method**.

Constructors and Inheritance

- How to use **super** keyword to access the variables of parent class

```
//Parent class or Superclass or base class
class Superclass {
    int num = 100;
}

// Child class or subclass or derived class
class Subclass extends Superclass {
    /*
     * The same variable num is declared in the Subclass which is already present in
     * the Superclass
     */
    int num = 110;

    void printNumber() {
        System.out.println(num);
    }

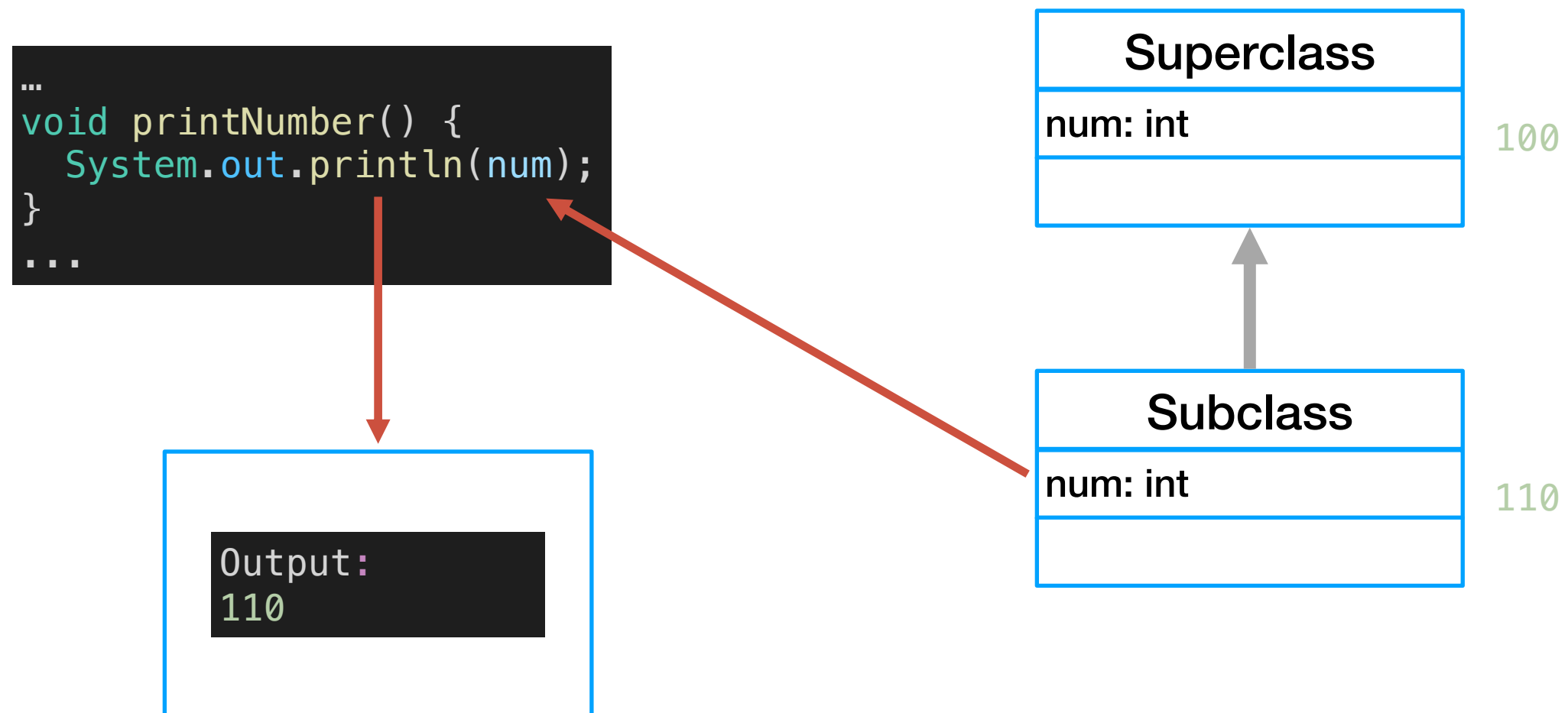
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        Subclass obj = new Subclass();
        obj.printNumber();
    }
}
```

Output:

110

Constructors and Inheritance

- How to use **super** keyword to access the variables of parent class



Constructors and Inheritance

- Accessing the num variable of parent class:
 - By calling a variable like this, we can access the variable of parent class if both the classes (*parent and child*) have same variable.

```
super.variable_name
```

- Let's take the same example that we have seen the previous slide, this time in print statement we are passing `super.num` instead of `num`.

Constructors and Inheritance

- How to use **super** keyword to access the variables of parent class

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class Superclass {
    int num = 100;
}

// Child class or subclass or derived class
class Subclass extends Superclass {
    /*
     * The same variable num is declared in the Subclass which is already present in
     * the Superclass
     */
    int num = 110;

    void printNumber() {
        System.out.println(super.num);
    }

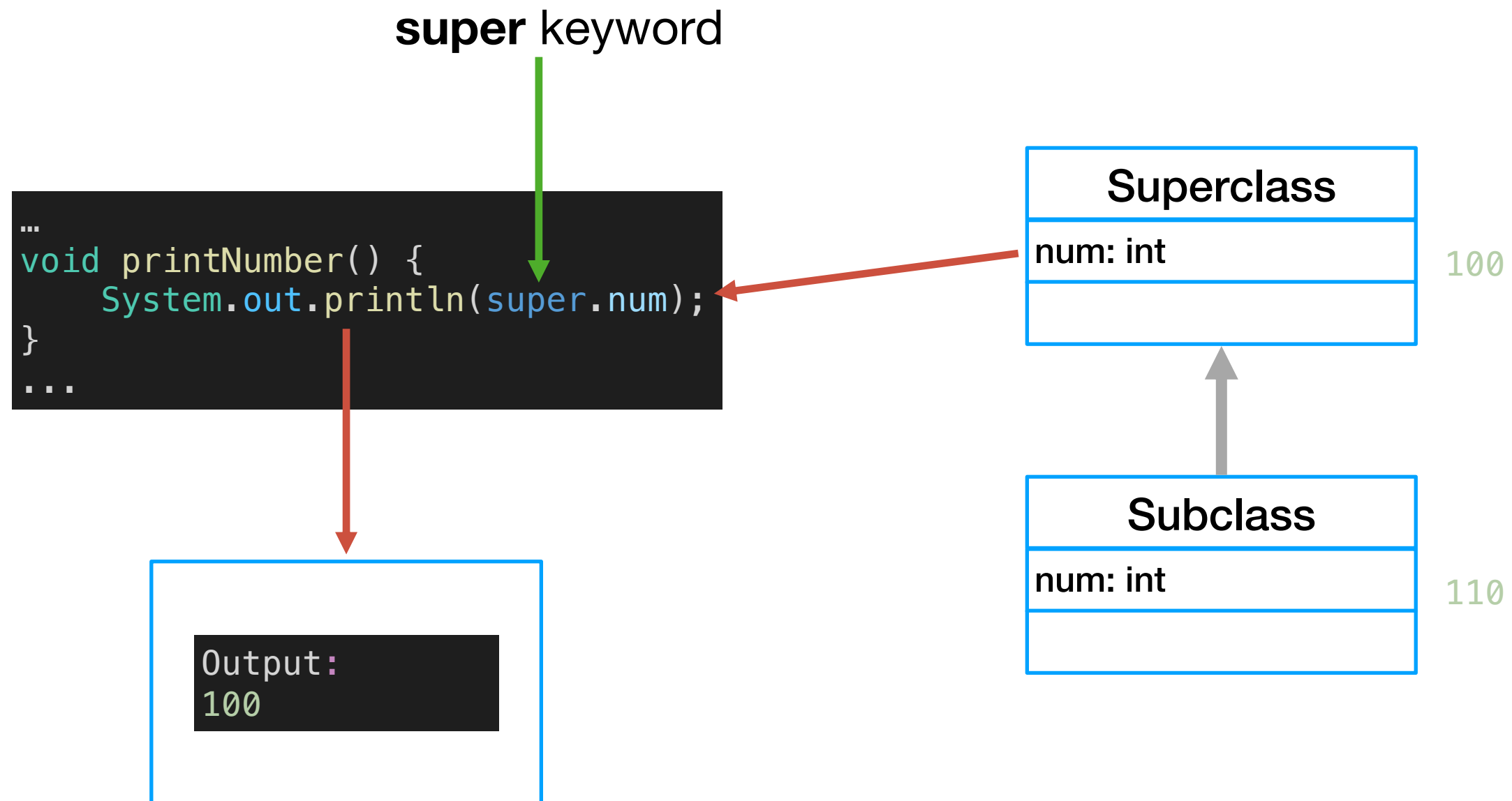
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        Subclass obj = new Subclass();
        obj.printNumber();
    }
}
```

Output:

100

Constructors and Inheritance

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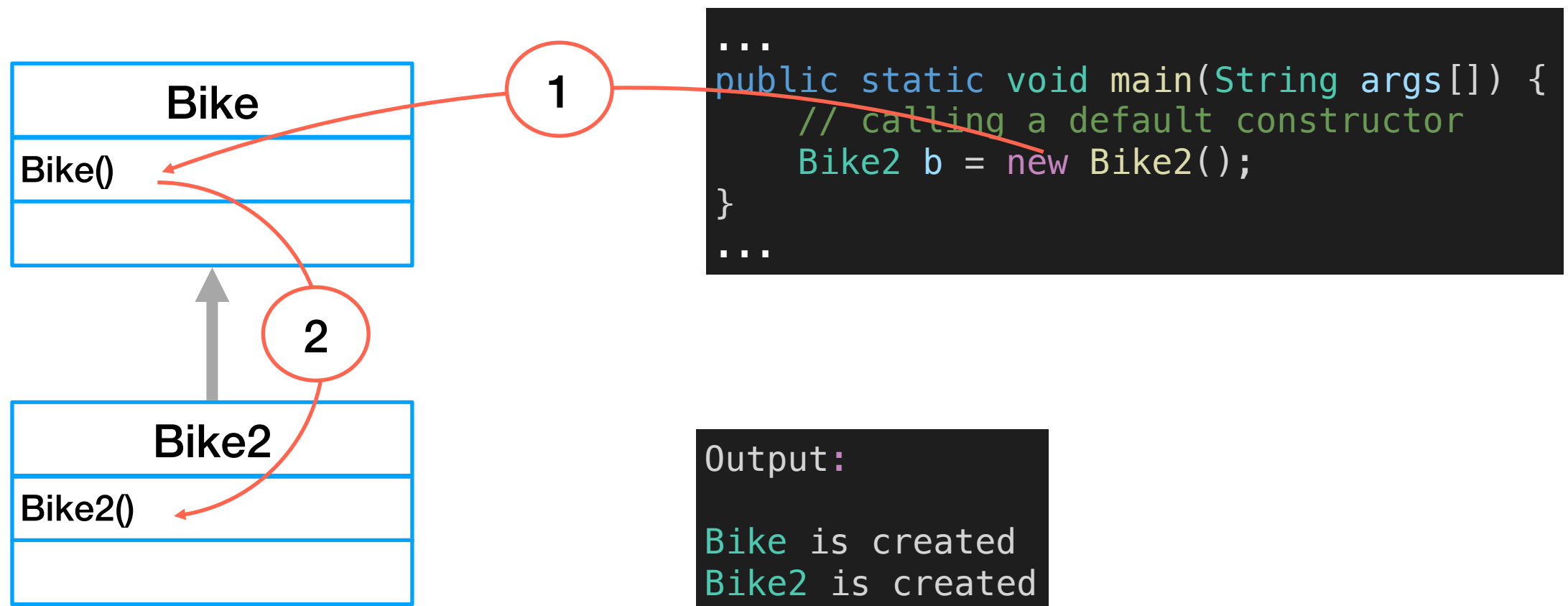


Use of super keyword to invoke constructor of parent class

- When we create the object of sub class, the **new** keyword invokes the constructor of child class, which implicitly invokes the constructor of parent class.
- So the order to execution when we create the object of child class is:
 1. Parent class constructor is executed first,
 2. Then the child class constructor is executed.
- It happens because compiler itself adds **super()** (*this invokes the no-arg constructor of parent class*) as the first statement in the constructor of child class.

Constructors and Inheritance

- Run Bike.java and Bike2.java in package `camt.day3.inheritance` and see the output.



```

class Parentclass {
    Parentclass() { System.out.println("Constructor of parent class"); }
}
class ChildClass extends Parentclass {
    Subclass() {
        /*
        * Compile implicitly adds super() here as the first statement
        * of this constructor.
        */
        System.out.println("Constructor of child class");
    }
    Subclass(int num) {
        /*
        * Even though it is a parameterized constructor. The compiler
        * still adds the no-arg super() here
        */
        System.out.println("arg constructor of child class");
    }
}
void display() { System.out.println("Hello!"); }
public static void main(String args[]) {
    /*
    * Creating object using default constructor. This will invoke child class
    * constructor, which will invoke parent class constructor
    */
    ChildClass obj = new ChildClass();
    // Calling sub class method
    obj.display();
    /*
    * Creating second object using arg constructor it will invoke arg constructor
    * of child class which will invoke no-arg constructor of parent class
    * automatically
    */
    ChildClass obj2 = new ChildClass(10);
    obj2.display();
}
}

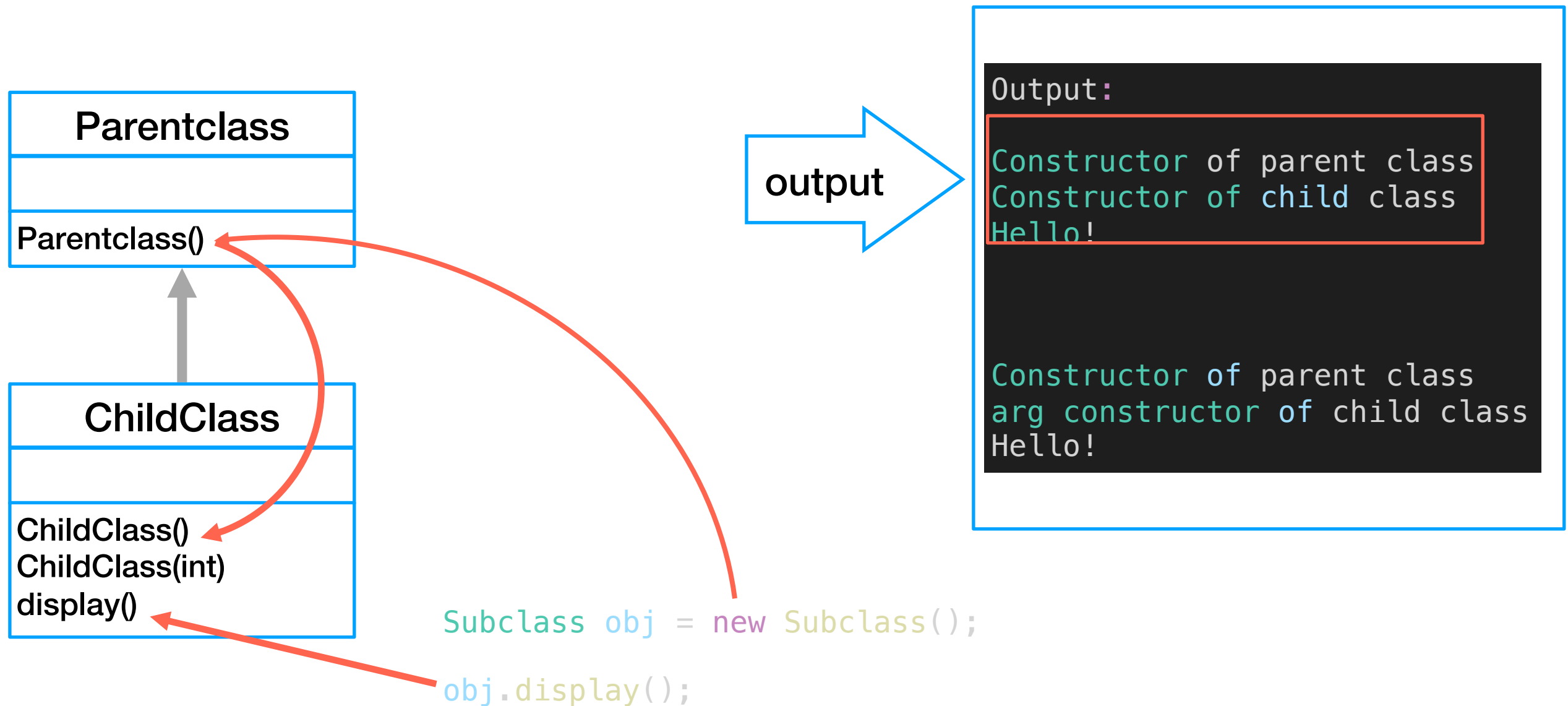
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Output:

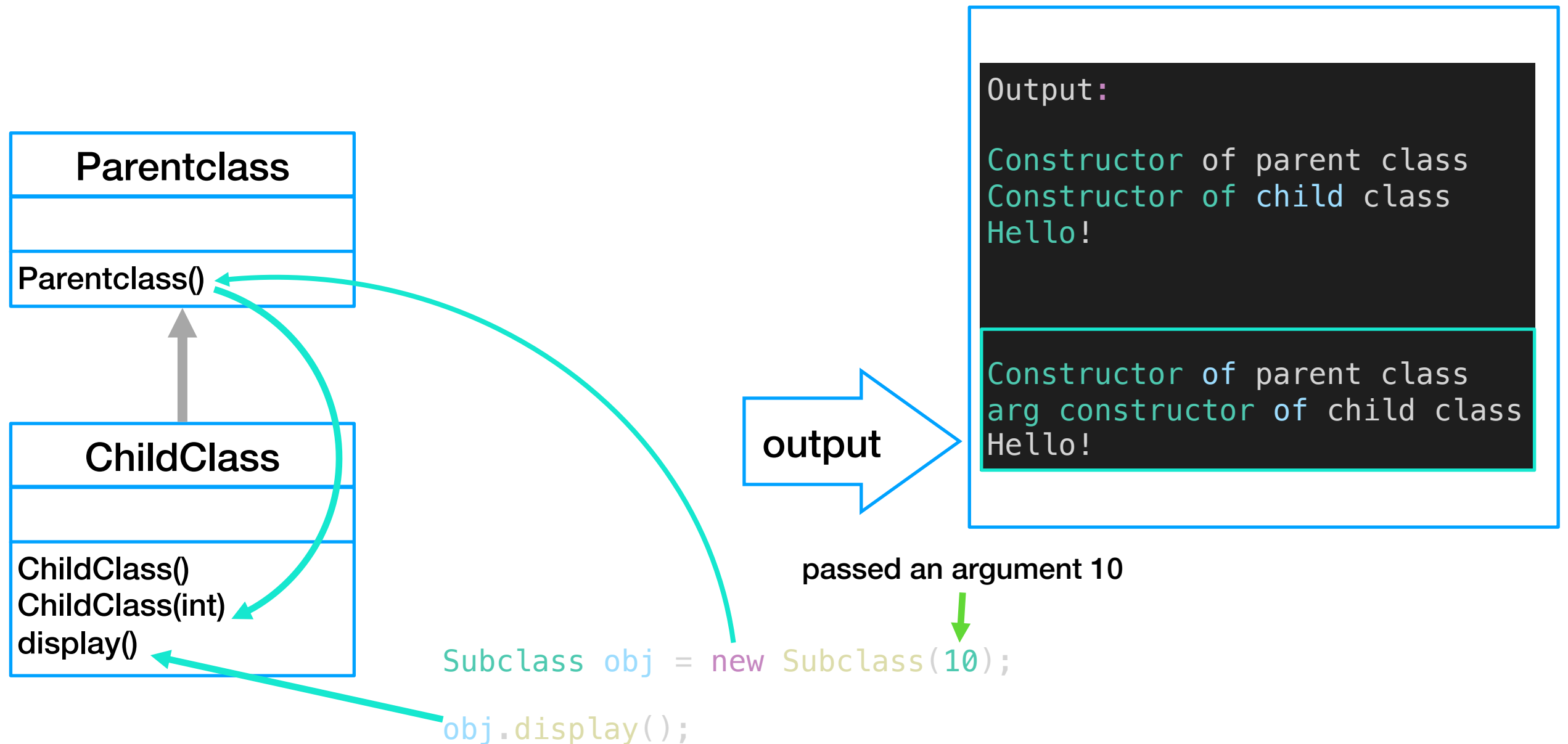
Constructor of parent class
 Constructor of child class
 Hello!

Constructor of parent class
 arg constructor of child class
 Hello!

Constructors and Inheritance



Constructors and Inheritance



Parameterized `super()` call to invoke parameterized constructor of parent class

- We have a constructor in parent class that takes arguments then we can use parameterized `super`, like `super(100);` to invoke parameterized constructor of parent class from the constructor of child class.
- Let's see an example to understand this:

```

class Parentclass {
    // no-arg constructor
    Parentclass() {
        System.out.println("no-arg constructor of parent class");
    }

    // arg or parameterized constructor
    Parentclass(String str) {
        System.out.println("parameterized constructor of parent class");
    }
}

class ChildClass extends Parentclass {
    ChildClass() {
        /*
         * super() must be added to the first statement of constructor otherwise you
         * will get a compilation error. Another important point to note is that when we
         * explicitly use super in constructor the compiler doesn't invoke the parent
         * constructor automatically.
         */
        super("Hahaha");
        System.out.println("Constructor of child class");
    }

    void display() {
        System.out.println("Hello");
    }

    public static void main(String args[]) {
        ChildClass obj = new ChildClass();
        obj.display();
    }
}

```

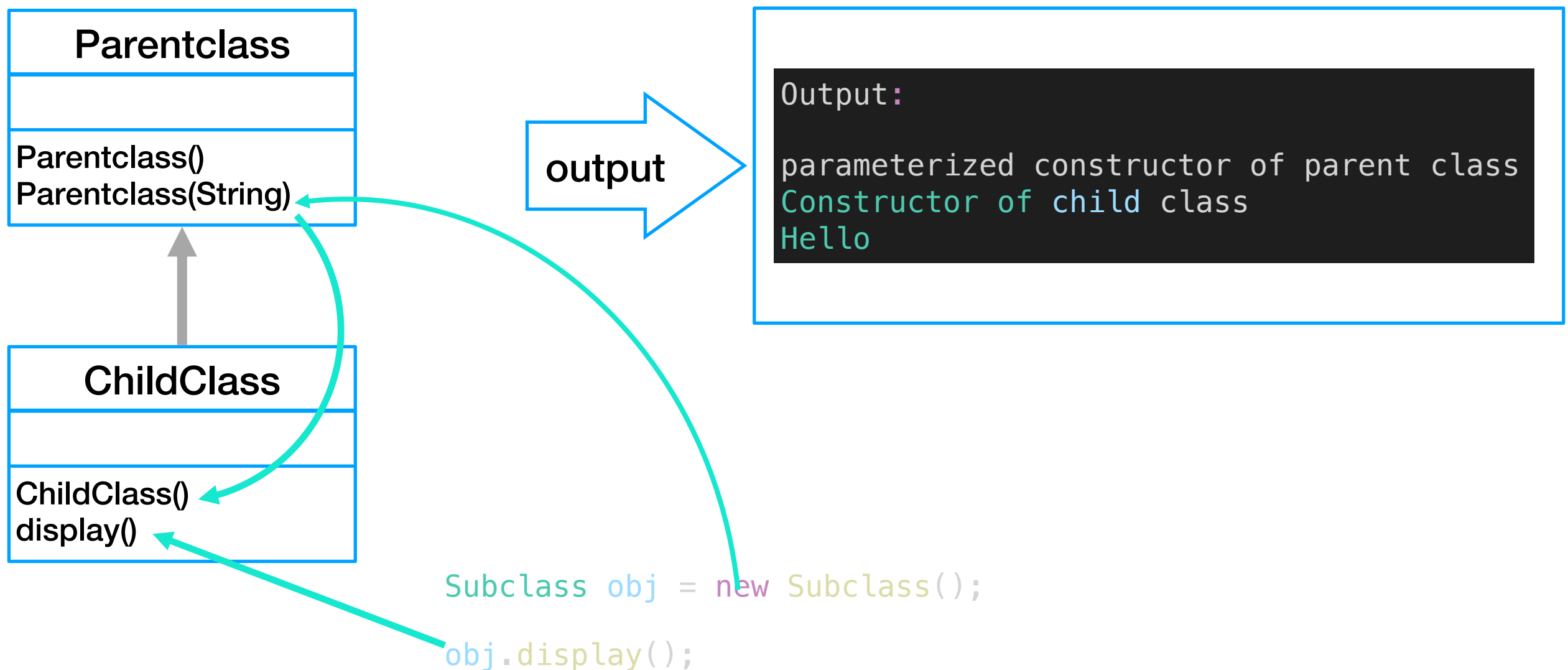
Output:

```

parameterized constructor of parent class
Constructor of child class
Hello

```

Parameterized super() call to invoke parameterized constructor of parent class



Parameterized super() call to invoke parameterized constructor of parent class

- There are few important points to note in this example:
 1. **super()** or **parameterized super** must be the first statement in constructor otherwise we will get the compilation error: *“Constructor call must be the first statement in a constructor”*
 2. When we explicitly placed super in the constructor, the java compiler **didn't call the default no-arg constructor of parent class.**

Lab 05

- From the Lab03-EXERCISE-3:
 - Let class 'Square' and make it inherit from the 'Rectangle' class with its constructor having a parameter for its side (suppose side) calling the constructor of its parent class as 'super(side, side)'. Print the area and perimeter to output.
 - Create a new class name “Shape” and define the “name” attribute to store the name of the shape, and the “numSide” attribute to store a number of shape sides.
 - Use the given ShapeRun class to test the program and modify it to display the Square detail. The example output is shown in the next slide.
 - This homework tests your knowledge of inheritance. Your solution every classes must inherit from Shape superclasses.

Lab 05

```
1.Circle
2.Rectangle
3.Triangle
4.Square
Please select [1-4]: 1
Enter the radius: 5
The circle area is : 78.54, and the perimeter is 31.42
```

```
1.Circle
2.Rectangle
3.Triangle
4.Square
Please select [1-4]: 2
Enter the length: 5
Enter the breadth: 7
The rectangle area is : 35.00, and the perimeter is 24.00
```

```
1.Circle
2.Rectangle
3.Triangle
4.Square
Please select [1-4]: 3
Enter the base: 3
Enter the height: 5
The triangle area is : 7.50, and the perimeter is 5.83
```

```
1.Circle
2.Rectangle
3.Triangle
4.Square
Please select [1-4]: 4
Enter the side: 5
The rectangle area is : 25.00, and the perimeter is 20.00
```

Reference

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Accessed: 2020-07-07
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```
class ParentClass {  
    // Parent class constructor  
    ParentClass() {  
        System.out.println("Constructor of Parent");  
    }  
}
```

```
class JavaExample extends ParentClass {  
    JavaExample() {  
        /*  
        * It by default invokes the constructor of parent class You can use super() to  
        * call the constructor of parent. It should be the first statement in the child  
        * class constructor, you can also call the parameterized constructor of parent  
        * class by using super like this: super(10), now this will invoke the  
        * parameterized constructor of int arg  
        */  
        System.out.println("Constructor of Child");  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        // Creating the object of child class  
        new JavaExample();  
    }  
}
```

Output:

```
Constructor of Parent  
Constructor of Child
```