

INHERITANCE

in JAVA

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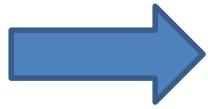
- One of the most effective features of Oop's paradigm.
- - Establish a link/connectivity between 2 or more classes.
 - Permits sharing and accessing properties from one to another class.
 - to establish this relation Java uses '*extends*' keyword.

Category of Classes on the Basis of Inheritance



Super class

(base/parent/driver/inheritance/
ancestor class).



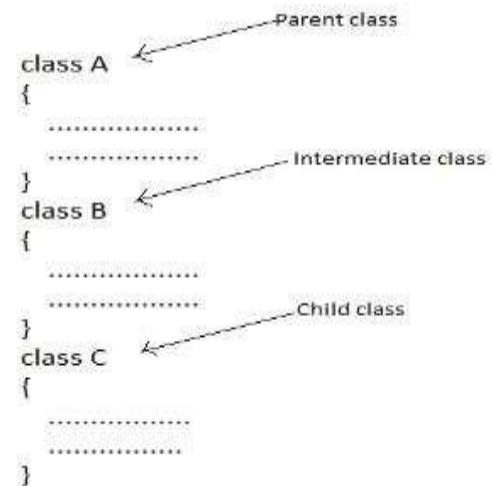
Intermediate class

(mediating/dual class).

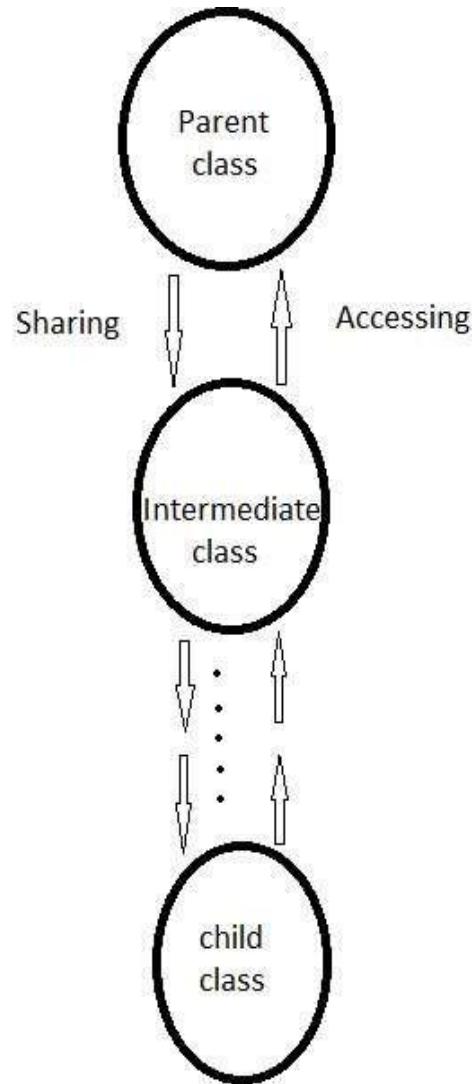


Child class

(sub/associate/derived/inherited class).



Relation between classes



Super class

- Top located class
- Service provider
(its properties accessed by all its lower level class).

Intermediate class

- Middle located class
- Having Dual policy
 - (obtain properties of upper level class and transmit properties to lower level class).

Child class

- o Bottom located class
- o much benefitted class
- o much loaded class
- o properties of child class as well as parent class can be accessed by only the object of child class.

TYPES of INHERITANCE

- Single Inheritance

- Multilevel Inheritance
- Hierarchical Inheritance

Single Inheritance

- A structure having one and only one parent as well as child class.
- Child class is authorized to access the property of Parent class.

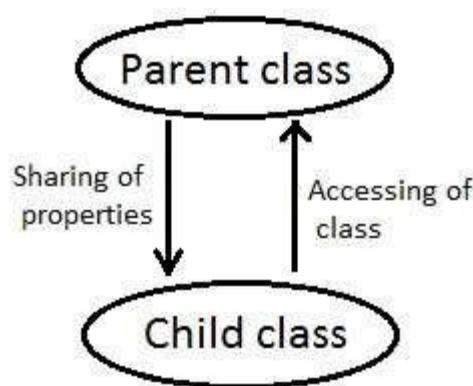
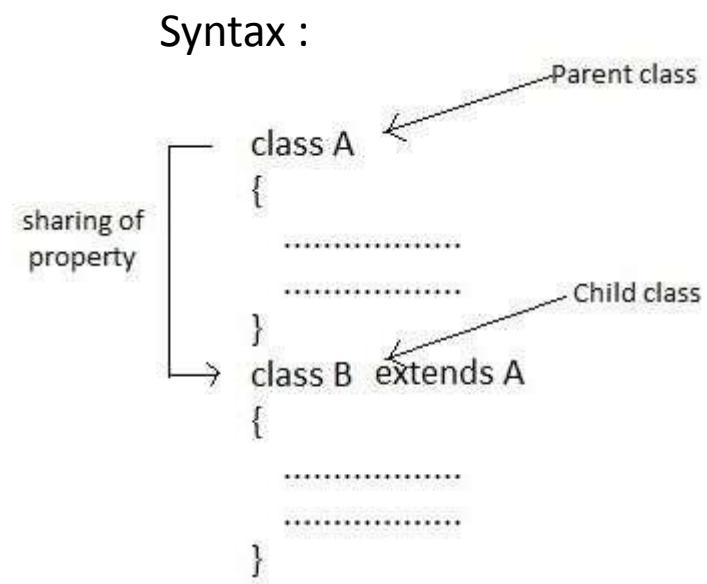


Fig : Single Inheritance



Multilevel Inheritance

- Standard structure of Single Inheritance having one Parent, one or more intermediate and one child classes.
- Child class as well as intermediate class may access the properties of upper level classes.

Syntax :

```
Parent class  
class A {  
.....  
}  
class B extends A {  
.....  
}  
class C extends B {  
.....  
}  
.....  
=====  
}  
.....  
.....  
Child class  
class D extends C {  
.....  
=====  
}
```

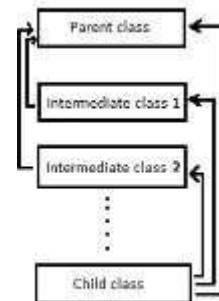


Fig : Accessing of class

Hierarchical Inheritance

- A structure having one parent and more child class.
- Child classes must be connected with only Parent class.

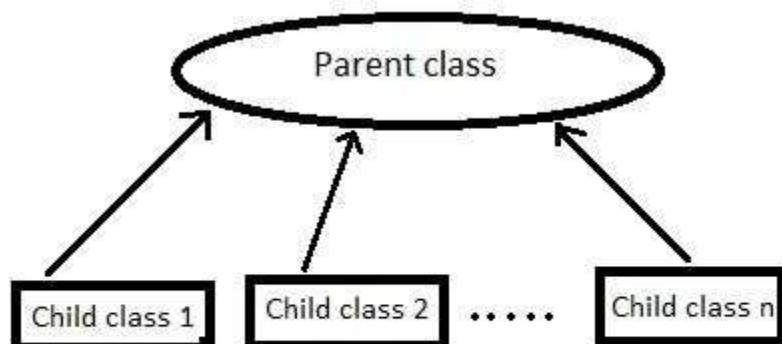


Fig : accessing of parent class by child classes

Syntax :

```
Parent class
class A {
    .....
}
class B extends A {
    .....
}
class C extends A {
    .....
}
class D extends A {
    .....
}
```

Child class

Child class

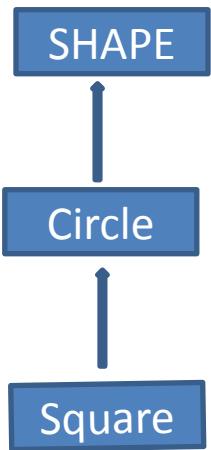
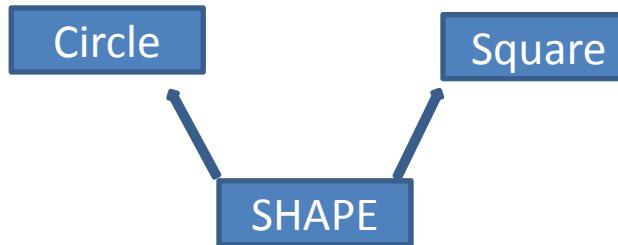
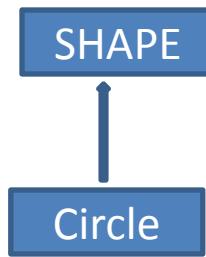
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Example of single inheritance

```
class Employee
{
float salary=40000;
}
class Programmer extends Employee
{
    int bonus=10000;
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        Programmer p=new Programmer();
        System.out.println("Programmer salary is:"+p.salary);
        System.out.println("Bonus of Programmer is:"+p.bonus);
    }
}
```

Create a class shape and inherit the properties into child class for following



Indirect Mechanism of Inheritance

- Java Supports a special feature called interface.
- This feature helps to connect a class with more than one classes.
- For this type of connectivity java uses '*implements*' keyword.

Syntax :

```
interface A{  
    .....}  
Interface B {  
    }  
class M {  
    }  
class N implements A,B extends M{  
    }
```

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.

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  
}
```

Example

```
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();
}
}
```

LIMITATIONS

- Link is establish into single direction(Fig).

- Java not support Multiple inheritance as well as Hybrid inheritance.

- The *extends* keyword permits to connect a class with only one class.

- In Interface, properties are only declared and assigned, but never defined.

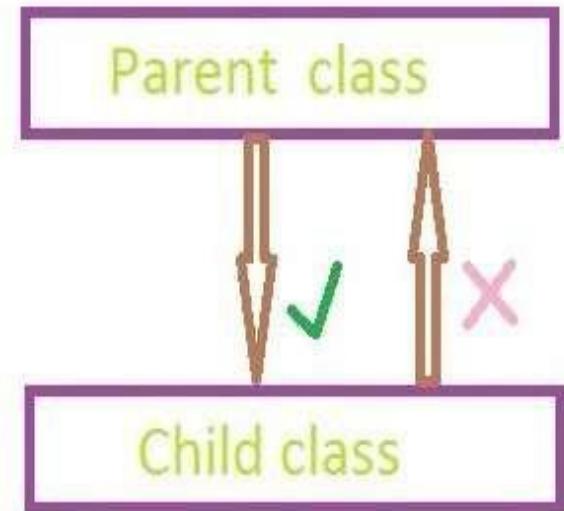


Fig : sharing of properties

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