

Access in Static and Non-Static Contexts:

- **Static Methods** can only access static variables (since static methods belong to the class).
- Non-Static Methods can access both static and non-static variables.

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Inheritance is a key concept in object-oriented programming (OOP), and in Java, it allows one class to inherit fields (attributes) and methods (behaviors) from another class. This helps promote code reusability, flexibility, and efficiency by creating a hierarchical relationship between classes.

Key Concepts of Inheritance:

- Superclass (Parent Class): The class whose properties and methods are inherited by another class.
- 2. **Subclass (Child Class)**: The class that inherits the properties and methods of another class. It can also have additional properties and methods of its own.

Syntax of Inheritance in Java:

The `extends` keyword is used to define inheritance in Java.

```
class Parent {
    // Parent class fields and methods
}
class Child extends Parent {
    // Child class fields and methods
}
```

Here, `Child` is the subclass, and it inherits all non-private fields and methods from the `Parent` class.

Example of Inheritance in Java:

```
java

class Animal {
   String name;
```

```
System.out.println(name + " is eating.");
}

class Dog extends Animal {
    void bark() {
        System.out.println(name + " is barking.");
    }
}

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Dog dog = new Dog();
        dog.name = "Buddy";
        dog.eat(); // Inherited from Animal class
        dog.bark(); // Defined in Dog class
    }
}
```

Explanation:

- `Animal` is the parent class (superclass) with a `name` field and an `eat()` method.
- `Dog` is the child class (subclass) that inherits `name` and `eat()` from `Animal` and adds its own method `bark()`.
- In `main()`, an instance of `Dog` can use both `eat()` (inherited from `Animal`) and `bark()` (defined in `Dog`).

Types of Inheritance in Java:

Java supports different types of inheritance:

1. Single Inheritance:

• A class inherits from only one parent class.

```
java

class Parent {}
class Child extends Parent {}
```

2. Multilevel Inheritance:

• A class inherits from a class, which in turn inherits from another class, forming a chain.

```
class Grandparent {}
class Parent extends Grandparent {}
class Child extends Parent {}
```

3. Hierarchical Inheritance:

• Multiple classes inherit from the same parent class.

```
java

class Parent {}
```

```
class Child2 extends Parent {}
```

Note: Java does not support multiple inheritance (i.e., one class inheriting from multiple classes) due to ambiguity issues. However, it can be achieved with interfaces.

Important Features of Inheritance:

- 1. **Code Reusability**: The subclass can reuse methods and fields of the parent class, reducing code duplication.
- 2. **Method Overriding**: The subclass can provide its own implementation of a method that already exists in the parent class.

```
class Animal {
    void eat() {
        System.out.println("Animal is eating.");
    }
}
class Dog extends Animal {
    @Override
    void eat() {
        System.out.println("Dog is eating.");
    }
}
```

3. `super` **Keyword**: It refers to the parent class's methods or constructors. It's used to call the parent class's constructor or methods inside the child class.

```
class Animal {
    Animal() {
        System.out.println("Animal constructor called.");
    }
}
class Dog extends Animal {
    Dog() {
        super(); // Calls the constructor of the parent class
        System.out.println("Dog constructor called.");
    }
}
```

- 4. **Constructors in Inheritance**: When an object of the child class is created, the constructor of the parent class is called first, followed by the constructor of the child class.
- 5. **Private Members and Inheritance**: Private fields and methods of the parent class are **not accessible** in the child class, though they can still be accessed indirectly through public or protected methods of the parent class.

Advantages of Inheritance:



- **Reusability**: Common properties and methods are defined once in the parent class and inherited by child classes.
- Extensibility: You can add new features to an existing class by creating a subclass.
- **Maintenance**: Inheritance reduces the redundancy of code, making the application easier to maintain and manage.

Disadvantages of Inheritance:

- **Tight Coupling**: Inheritance can create a strong relationship between the parent and child classes, making changes in the parent class affect the child class.
- **Complexity**: Deep inheritance hierarchies can lead to complexity in understanding and maintaining the code.

Example with Overriding and `super`:

```
java
 class Animal {
     void sound() {
         System.out.println("Animal makes a sound.");
 class Dog extends Animal {
     @Override
     void sound() {
         System.out.println("Dog barks.");
     void parentSound() {
         super.sound(); // Calls the parent class's sound() method
 public class Test {
     public static void main(String[] args) {
         Dog dog = new Dog();
         dog.sound(); // Dog barks.
         dog.parentSound(); // Animal makes a sound.
 }
```

Summary:

- **Inheritance** allows a class to inherit fields and methods from another class.
- **Subclass** (child) extends the **superclass** (parent).
- It enables **code reuse**, **extensibility**, and supports features like **method overriding** and the use of `super` to access parent class features.

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