

(Part 10)

Concept of Serialisation introduced with Inheritance

(Case I): Parent Class Implements Serializable, but child class does not implement Serializable

class Animal implements Serializable {

int i = 10;

}

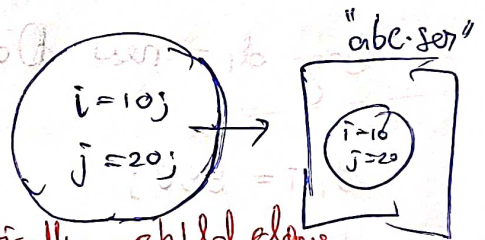
class Dog extends Animal {

int j = 20;

}

Dog d1 = new Dog();

Serialize(d1);



Conclusion: If parent class is Serializable, automatically child class becomes Serializable.

In Java Generic Servlet Class is serializable, all its child are as well.

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(Concept of Inheritance w.r.t Serialisation)

(Case II): Parent Class does not implement Serializable, but child class implements Serializable.

What happens then?

Lets see an Example to understand.

```
class Animal {
```

```
    int i = 10;
```

```
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal implements Serializable {
```

```
    int j = 20;
```

```
}
```

psvm() throws Exception {

```
    Dog d1 = new Dog();
```

```
    d1.i = 888;
```

```
    d1.j = 999;
```

```
    Fos----
```

```
    oos----
```

```
    oos.writeObject(d1);
```

d1

i = 888
j = 999

Serialisation

"abc.ser"

i = 0
j = 999

Q) What happened during Serialisation?

A) During serialisation JVM internally checks

which instance variables are not part of Serializable.

In our case i = 10; → { From Animal which does not implement Serializable }

So default value is stored for it i.e. 0.

During "Deserialisation"

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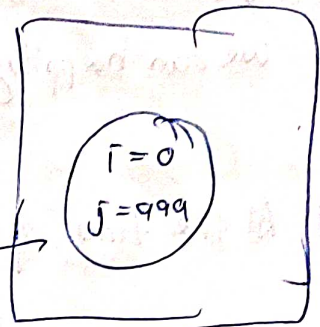
Dog d2 = (Dog) ois.readObject();

cout (d2.i + "----" + d2.j)

↓
10

↓
999

Deserialisation



*** You see the above behaviour was not at all expected.

Why did (d2.i = 10) It should not happen.

During Deserialisation. JVM does 3 things

1. Identification of instance members \Rightarrow Check which instance variables are not part of Serializable
2. Executions of instance variables, assignments & variables.
3. Execution of default constructor. \Rightarrow In Animal we saw $i = 10$.

\Rightarrow JVM will call the No args default constructor of the parent or class which does not implement Serializable.

JVM writes

Instance-control-flow for classes which are not implementing Serializable

Rules.

- ①. If parent is not Serializable yet the child is Serializable, we can happily serialize the child class object.
- ②. At the time of Serialisation, JVM will check ~~at~~ if any instance variable is ~~getting~~ ^(inheriting) coming from Non-serializable parent. JVM ignores original value and saves default value to the file.
- ③. At the time of de-Serialisation, JVM will check if any parent is non-serializable or not. Then JVM will execute instance control flow and share its instance variable values with current Object.
- ④. Inside any of the ~~Java Classes~~ parent Classes which are non-serializable, if we see that they don't have a proper No args default constructor, it will throw RE = InvalidClass Exception \rightarrow (Runtime Exception)

Important Code Execution

Code 1

```
class Animal {
```

```
    int i = 10;
```

```
    Animal() {
```

```
        sout("Animal Constructor");
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

If we remove this constructor and keep nothing, then JVM already has the default No args constructor.

```
class Dog extends Animal implements Serializable {
```

```
    int j = 20;
```

```
    Dog() {
```

```
        sout("Dog constructor called");
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

Parent Class Constructor invoked before actual class

```
psvm() throws Exception {
```

```
    Dog d1 = new Dog();
```

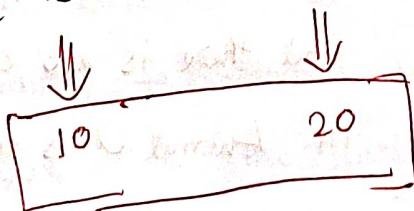
```
    d1.i = 888; d1.j = 999;
```

```
    serialize(d1);
```

```
    Deserialize Dog d2 = (Dog) Deserialize();
```

```
    sout(d2.i + " + " + d2.j);
```

```
}
```



When this is used

First parent constructor is called.

("Animal Constructor")

2nd Actual Class constructor is called

("Dog constructor called")

Instance - control-flow is invoked.

("Animal constructor")

(Code 2)

{ Imp: Example }

```
class Animal {
```

```
    int i = 10;
```

```
    Animal (int i) {  
        this.i = i;
```

```
        sout("Animal Constructor");
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

When this constructor is already written, Java will not implicitly add

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Hence if user explicitly does not add default constructor then there will be error.

```
class Dog extends Animal implements Serializable {
```

```
    int j = 20;
```

```
    Dog () {
```

```
        super (10);
```

```
        sout("Dog constructor");
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

→ this we have to do else we will have runtime Exception, As parent won't know which constructor to invoke

```
(psvm() throws Exception {
```

```
    Dog d1 = new Dog();
```

```
    serialize(d1);
```

```
    Dog d2 = (Dog) Deserialize();
```

```
    sout(d2.i + d2.j);
```

```
}
```

Dog's parent class constructor is called → ("Animal Constructor")
↓
("Dog Constructor")

During Deserialisation, Instance-control-flow is invoked and there is no default constructor in Animal Class and,

RE: Invalid Class Exception