

OOP/Computer Programming

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Today's Lecture

- Multilevel Inheritance
- Hierarchy of Inheritance
- Multiple Inheritance
- Diamond Problem
- Virtual Inheritance

Multilevel Inheritance

- In C++ programming, not only you can derive a class from the base class but you can also derive a class from the derived class. This form of inheritance is known as multilevel inheritance.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

class A
{
    public:
    void display()
    {
        cout<<"Base class content.";
    }
};

class B : public A
{
};

class C : public B
{
};

int main()
{
    C obj;
    obj.display();
    return 0;
}
```

Output

```
Base class content.
```


Hierarchy of Inheritance

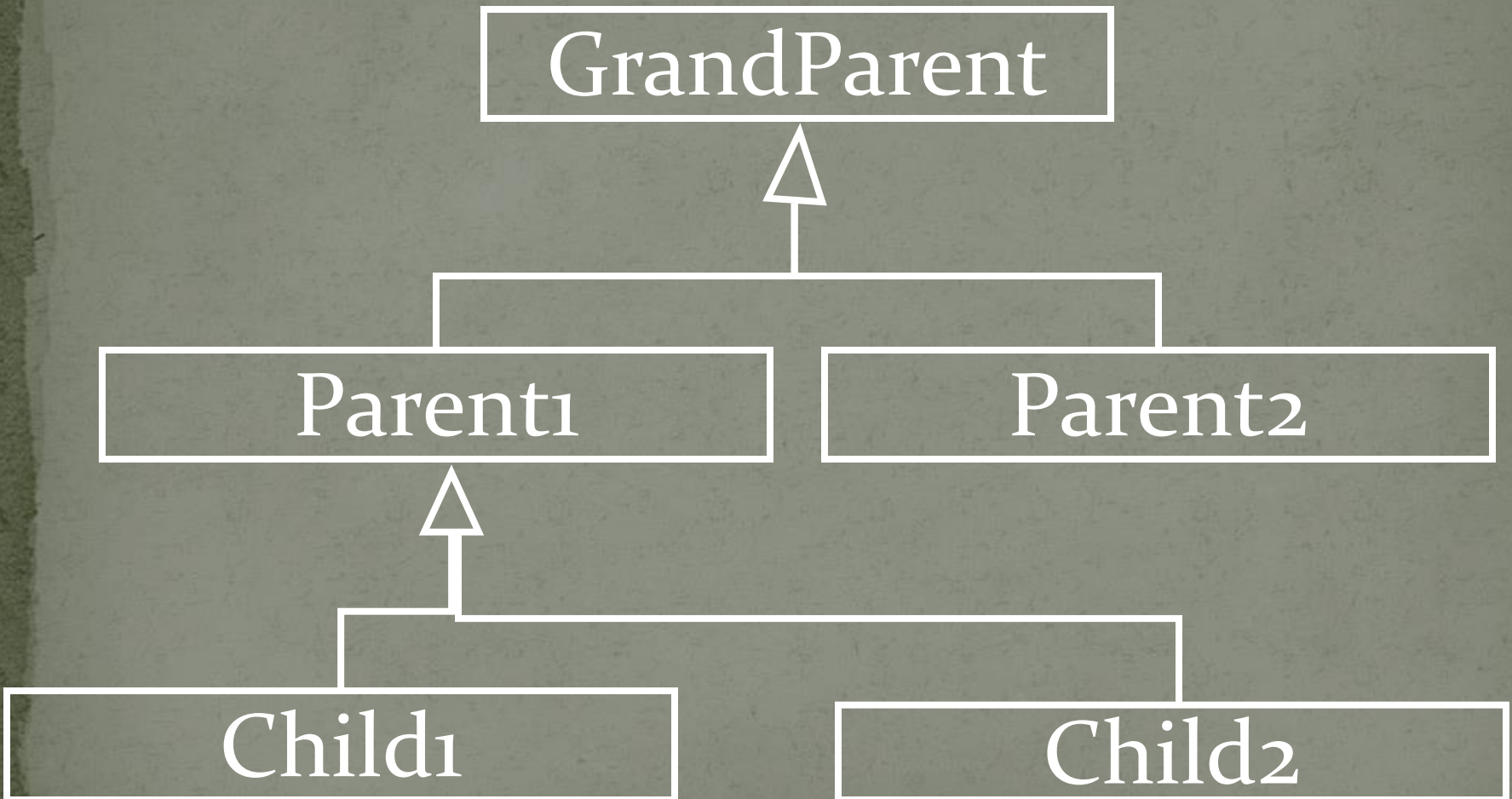
- We represent the classes involved in inheritance relation in tree like hierarchy
- More than one classes can be derived from a single class

Direct Base Class

- A direct base class is explicitly listed in a derived class's header with a colon (:)

```
class Child1:public Parent1  
...
```

Example



Indirect Base Class

- An indirect base class is not explicitly listed in a derived class's header with a colon (:)
- It is inherited from two or more levels up the hierarchy of inheritance

```
class GrandParent{};  
class Parent1:public GrandParent {};  
class Child1:public Parent1{};
```


Base Initialization

- The child can only perform the initialization of direct base class through *base class initialization list*
- The child can not perform the initialization of an indirect base class through *base class initialization list*

Example

```
class GrandParent{  
    int gpData;  
public:  
    GrandParent() : gpData(0){...}  
    GrandParent(int i) : gpData(i){...}  
    void Print() const;  
};
```

Example

```
class Parent1: public GrandParent{  
    int pData;  
public:  
    Parent1() : GrandParent(),  
               pData(o) {...}  
};
```


Example

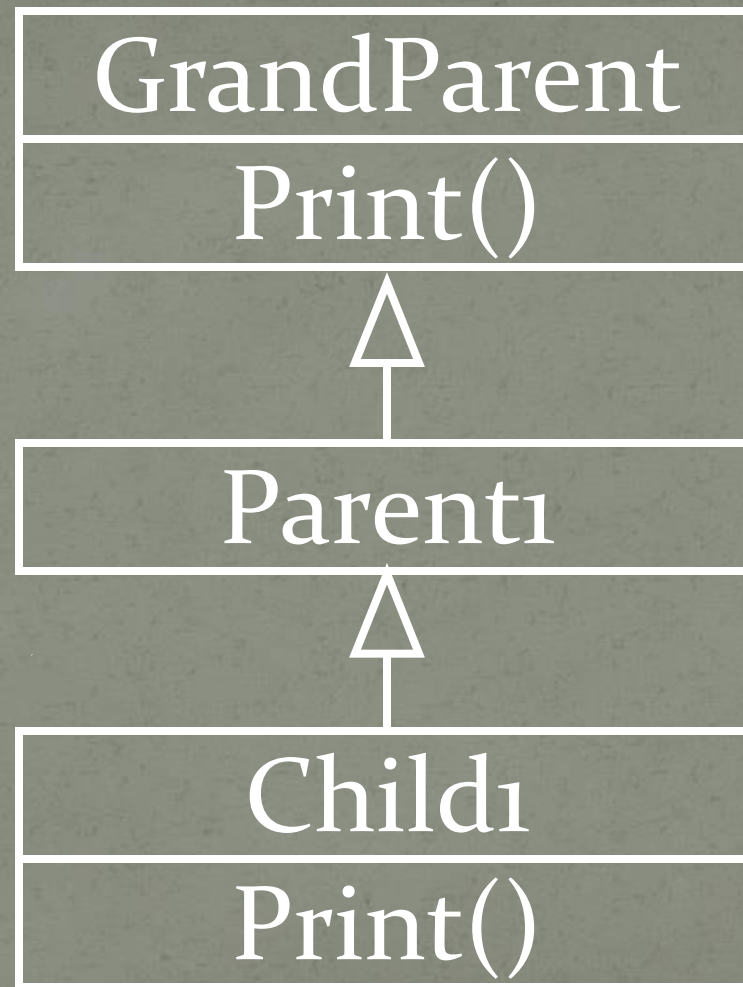
```
class Child1 : public Parent1 {  
public:  
    Child1() : Parent1()      {...}  
    Child1(int i) : GrandParent (i) //Error  
    {...}  
    void Print() const;  
};
```

The child can not perform the initialization of an indirect base class through *base class initialization list*

Overriding

- Child class can override the function of GrandParent class

Example



Example

```
void GrandParent::Print() {  
    cout    << "GrandParent::Print"  
           << endl;  
}
```

```
void Child1::Print() {  
    cout << "Child1::Print" << endl;  
}
```

Example

```
int main(){  
    Child1 obj;  
    obj.Print();  
    obj.Parent1::Print();  
    obj.GrandParent::Print();  
    return 0;  
}
```

Output

- Output is as follows

Child₁::Print

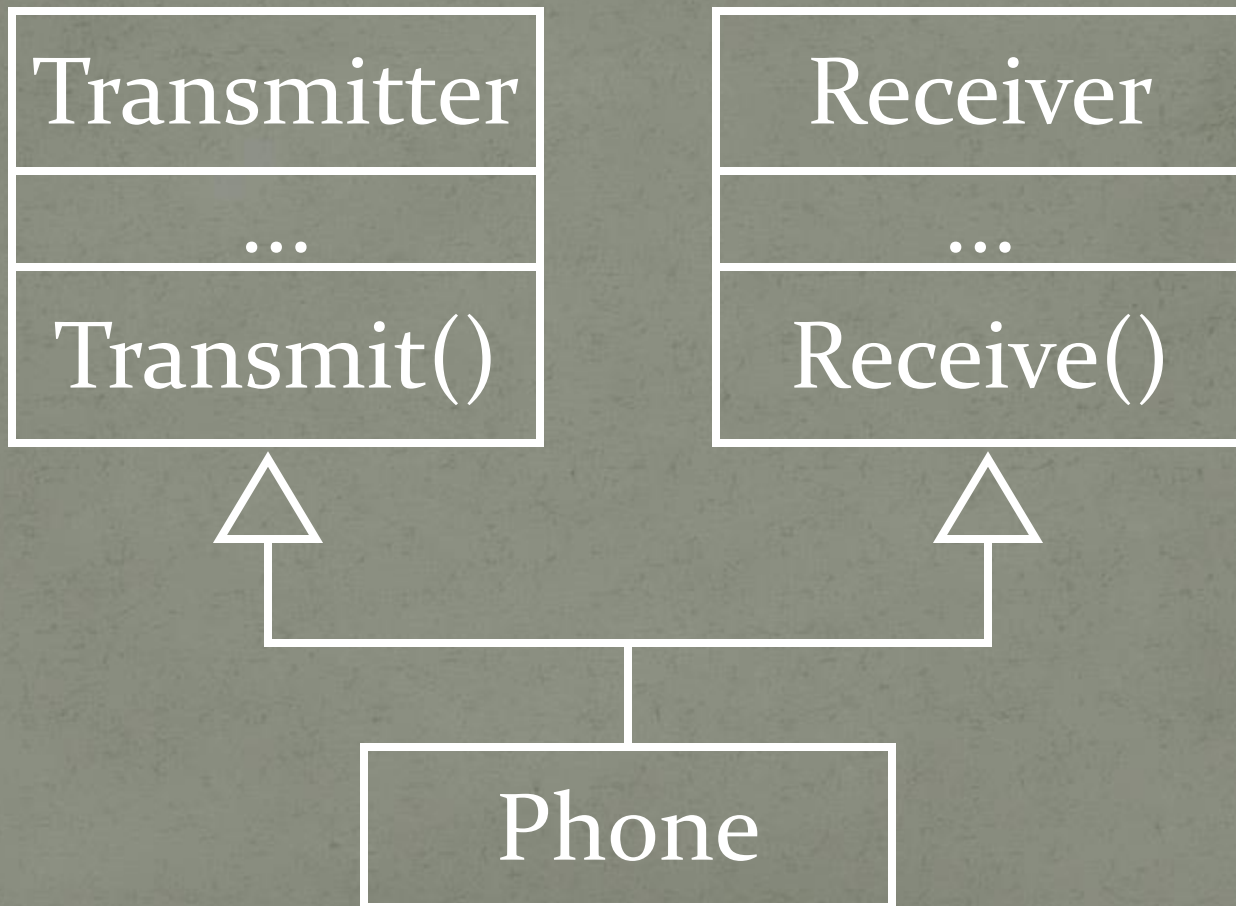
GrandParent::Print

GrandParent::Print

Multiple Inheritance

- A class can inherit from more than one class

Multiple Inheritance



Example

```
class Phone: public Transmitter,  
             public Receiver  
{  
    ...  
};
```


Multiple Inheritance

- Derived class can inherit from public base class as well as private and protected base classes

class Mermaid:

private Woman, private Fish

Multiple Inheritance

- The derived class inherits data members and functions from all the base classes
- Object of derived class can perform all the tasks that an object of base class can perform

Example

```
int main(){  
    Phone obj;  
    obj.Transmit();  
    obj.Receive();  
    return 0;  
}
```




Output

```
Mammals can give direct birth.  
Winged animal can flap.
```

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

class Mammal {
public:
    Mammal()
    {
        cout << "Mammals can give direct birth." << endl;
    }
};

class WingedAnimal {
public:
    WingedAnimal()
    {
        cout << "Winged animal can flap." << endl;
    }
};

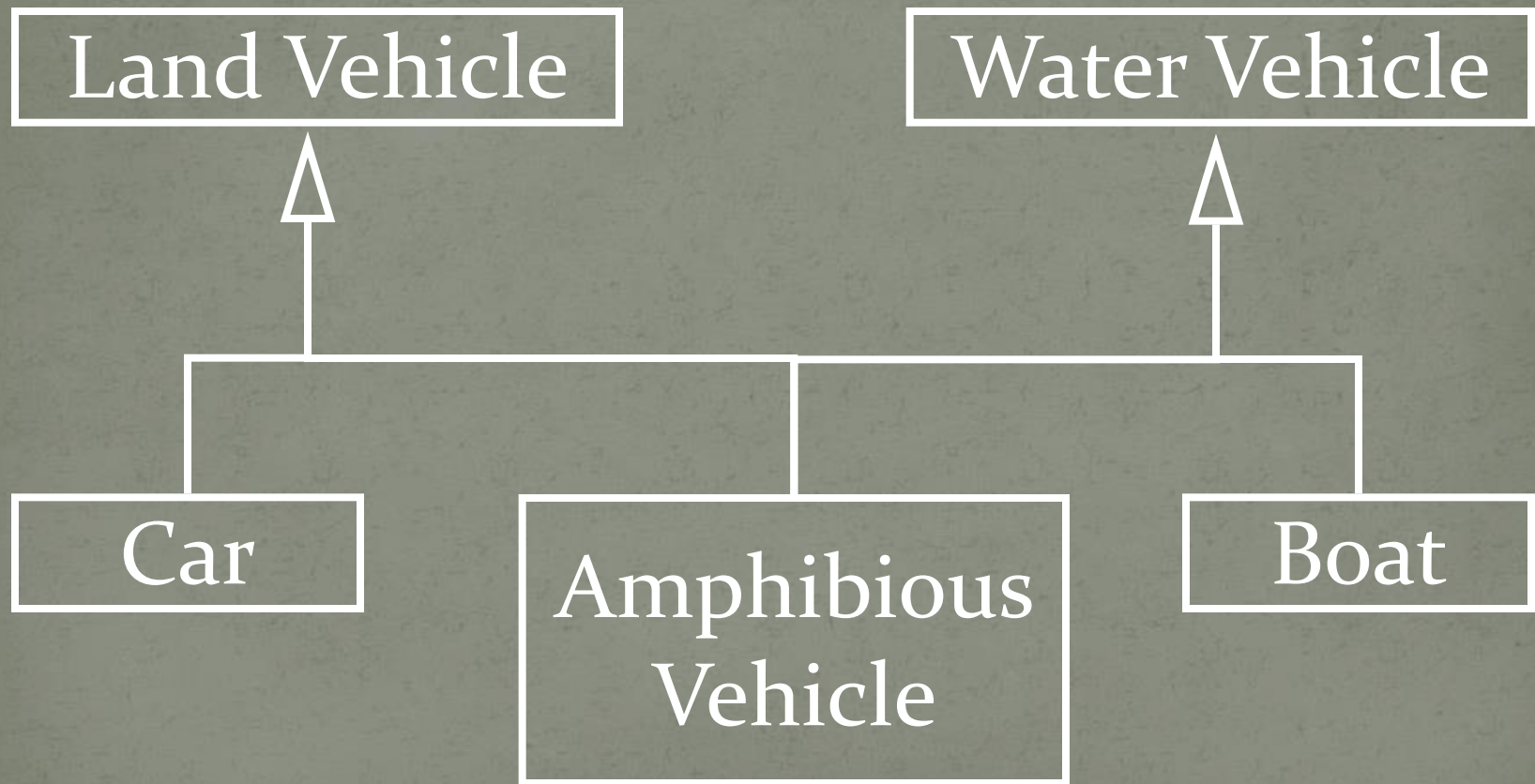
class Bat: public Mammal, public WingedAnimal {
};

int main()
{
    Bat b1;
    return 0;
}
```

Multiple Inheritance: Ambiguity

- If more than one base class have a function with same signature then the child will have two copies of that function
- Calling such function will result in ambiguity

Multiple Inheritance



Example

```
class LandVehicle{  
public:  
    int GetMaxLoad();  
};  
class WaterVehicle{  
public:  
    int GetMaxLoad();  
};
```

Example

```
class AmphibiousVehicle:  
    public LandVehicle,  
    public WaterVehicle{  
};  
int main(){  
    AmphibiousVehicle obj;  
    obj.GetMaxLoad();           // Error  
    return o;  
}
```

Multiple Inheritance

- Programmer must explicitly specify the class name when calling ambiguous function

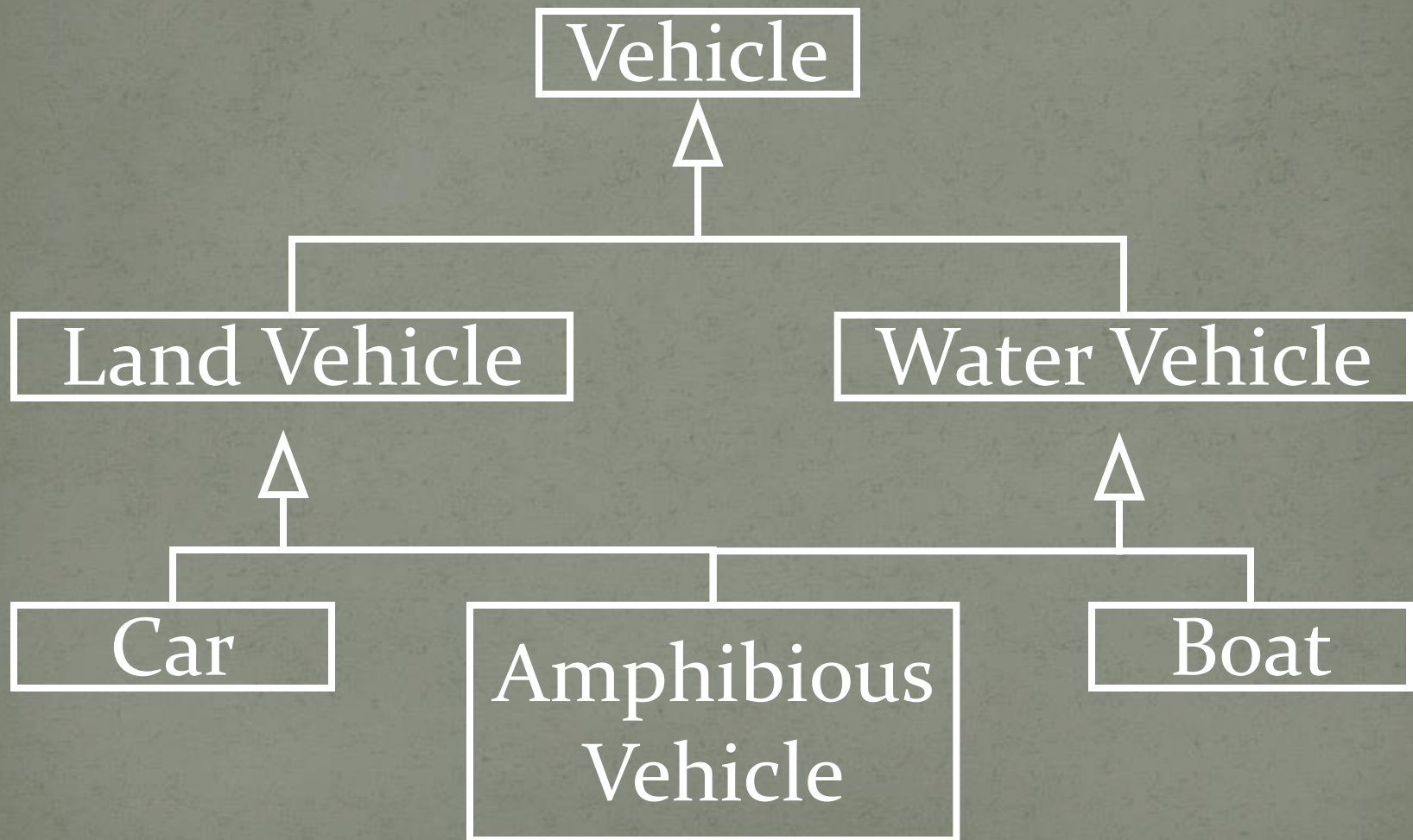
Example

```
int main(){  
    AmphibiousVehicle obj;  
    obj.LandVehicle::GetMaxLoad();  
    obj.WaterVehicle::GetMaxLoad();  
    return 0;  
}
```

Hybrid Inheritance

- The ambiguous call problem can arise when dealing with multiple level of multiple inheritance

Hybrid Inheritance



Example

```
class Vehicle{  
public:  
    int GetMaxLoad();  
};  
class LandVehicle : public Vehicle{  
};  
class WaterVehicle : public Vehicle{  
};
```

Example

```
class AmphibiousVehicle:  
    public LandVehicle,  
    public WaterVehicle{  
};  
int main(){  
    AmphibiousVehicle obj;  
    obj.GetMaxLoad();           // Error  
    return 0;  
}
```

Example

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    AmphibiousVehicle obj;
```

```
    obj.Vehicle::GetMaxLoad(); //Error
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

- Vehicle is accessible through two paths

Multiple Inheritance

- Data member must be used with care when dealing with more than one level of inheritance

Example

```
class Vehicle{  
protected:  
    int weight;  
};
```

```
class LandVehicle : public Vehicle{  
};
```

```
class WaterVehicle : public Vehicle{  
};
```

Example

```
class AmphibiousVehicle:  
    public LandVehicle,  
    public WaterVehicle{  
public:  
    AmphibiousVehicle(){  
        LandVehicle::weight = 10;  
        WaterVehicle::weight = 20;  
    }  
};
```

- There are multiple copies of data member weight

Memory View

Data Members of Vehicle	Data Members of Vehicle
Data Members of LandVehicle	Data Members of WaterVehicle
Data Members of AmphibiousVehicle	

Virtual Inheritance

- In virtual inheritance there is exactly one copy of the anonymous base class object

Example

```
class Vehicle{  
protected:  
    int weight;  
};
```

```
class LandVehicle : public virtual Vehicle{};
```

```
class WaterVehicle :public virtual Vehicle{};
```


Example

```
class AmphibiousVehicle:  
    public LandVehicle,  
    public WaterVehicle{  
public:  
    AmphibiousVehicle(){  
        weight = 10;  
    }  
};
```

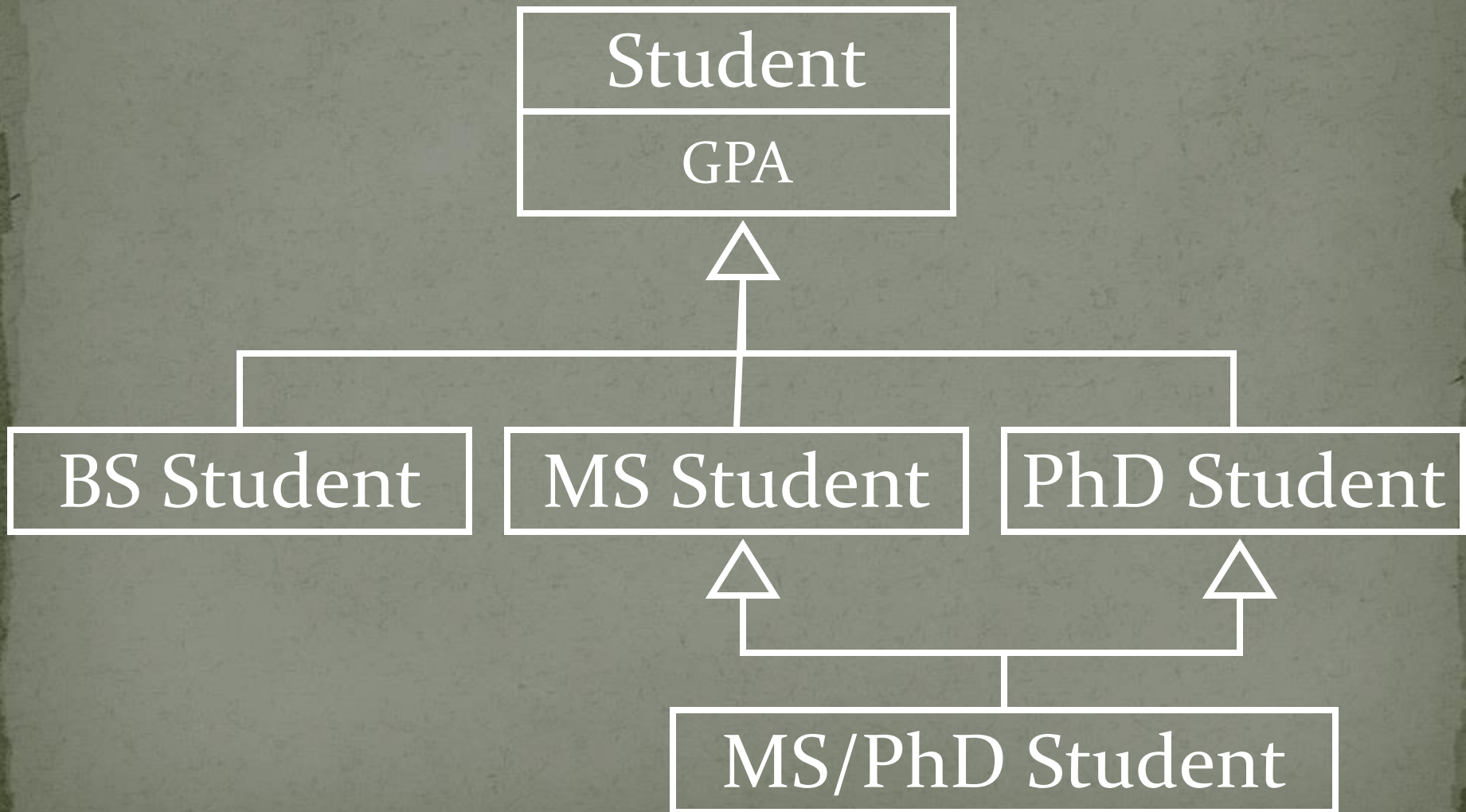
Memory View

Data Members of Vehicle

Data Members of LandVehicle	Data Members of WaterVehicle
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Data Members of AmphibiousVehicle

Example



Example Code

- https://www.tutorialspoint.com/compile_cpp_online.php