

2. Inheritance, Interface & Packages

Inheritance

The mechanism of deriving new class from old one is called inheritance.

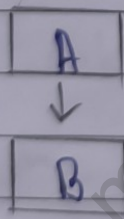
New one class is called as child class, derived class & subclass.

Old one class is called as parent class, base class & super class.

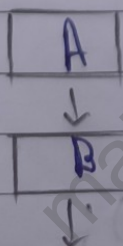
Types of Inheritance

- 1) Single inheritance
- 2) Multilevel inheritance
- 3) Multiple inheritance
- 4) Hierarchical inheritance

1) Single Inheritance



2) Multilevel inheritance

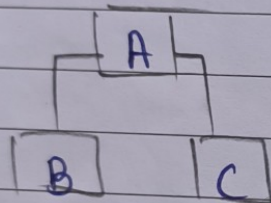


- 3] Multiple inheritance is not in Java. Multiple inheritance is used to implement a new concept that is interface.



This decision was made to avoid ambiguity problems like a diamond problem.

- 4] Hierarchical inheritance



Extends keyword is used here

- 44] Single inheritance

Class A

```
{  
    void display1()  
}  
System.out.println("Hello");
```

Class B extends A

```
{  
    void display2()  
}  
System.out.println("Java");
```

class demo {
public static void main (String args[])

{
B b1 = new B();

b1.display1();

b1.display2();
}

}

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Hello

Sava

2] Multilevel inheritance

Class A

{

void display1()

{

System.out.println ("Hello");

}

}

Class B extends A

{

void display2()

{

System.out.println ("Sava");

}

}

Class C extends B

{

void display3()

{

```
System.out.println ("programming students");
```

```
{  
}
```

```
class demo
```

```
{
```

```
public static void main (String args[])
```

```
{
```

```
    C c1 = new C();
```

```
    c1.display1();
```

```
    c1.display2();
```

```
    c1.display3();
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

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Java

programming students.

The mechanism of deriving class from another derived class is known as multilevel inheritance

2) Hierarchical inheritance

When two or more sub classes are derived from single super class then inheritance called as Hierarchical inheritance.

class A

{

void display1 ()

{

System.out.println (" Hello ");

}

}

class B extends A

{

void display2 ()

{

System.out.println (" Java ");

}

}

class C extends A

{

void display3 ()

{

System.out.println (" Python ");

}

}

class Simple {

public static void main (String args [])

{

B b1 = new B ();

b1.display1 ();

b1.display2 ();

C c1 = new C ();

c1.display1 ();

c1.display2 ();

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Hello J

Java

Hello

Python

* Final keyword

Keyword final has uses like

- ① to prevent overriding
- ② to prevent inheritance

Final Variable

By declaring variable with final keyword that variable can not be inherited. The value of final variable never be change.

Final method

Final method can not be override.

```
Final void show()
```

```
{
```

```
}
```

We can prevent overriding using final.

```

4) class A
{
    final void math()
    {
        System.out.println ("this is final method");
    }
}

class B extends A
{
    void math()
    {
        System.out.println ("this method cannot be overridden");
    }
}

```

The math() is declared as a final. It can not be override in B. Any attempt made so it will generate compile time error.

Final class

A class can not be subclass is called as final class.

Final keyword prevent classes from inheritance.

Ex:

```
final class A
```

```
{
```

```
}
```

• Abstract method and classes

Abstract keyword is used to declare class abstract.

Abstract classes has no object an abstract class can not be directly instantiated by new operator

Syntax:

```
abstract class class_name  
{
```

Ex:

```
abstract class Shape
```

```
{
```

```
    abstract void draw();  
}
```

When class contain one or more abstract method it should be declared abstract.

Although abstract classes can not be used to instantiate objects they can be used to create object references. So it is necessary to create reference to an abstract class.

While using abstract class must satisfy following condition

- ① we can not use abstract class to instantiate objects directly.

`Shape s = new shape ();`
is illegal because `Shape` is an abstract class.

Abstract method

The Abstract method of an abstract class must be define in its sub class

Super Keyword

Super keyword is used to refer to immediate parent class.

Sub class needs to refer its immediate super class with keyword super

1 Super keyword is used to first refer to first to invoke super class constructor to sub class constructor

2 To invoke immediate parent class method

- Accessing Super Class member
Super member.

Ex:

```
5] class Super_class
{
    public void printmethod()
    {
        System.out.println("method in Superclass");
    }
}
```

```
public class Subclass extends Superclass
{
    public void printmethod()
    {
        Super.printmethod();
    }
}
```

```
System.out.println ("Printed in subclass");
```

```
public static void main (String args[])
```

```
{  
    Subclass s = new Subclass ();  
    s.printMethod();
```

There is Sub class called subclass that overrides prints method ()

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Printed in Super class

Printed in Subclass

In this program print method is inherited from Super class

Multiple inheritance
Not available in Java

Grand parent

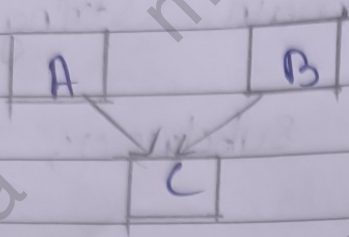
Parent 1

Parent 2

Child 2

ambiguity

Java can not have more than one base classes



Java classes can not have more than one super class. But in most of application multiple inheritance is required.

In above fig child have inherits the properties of grand parent to separate part.

all public & protected member of grand parent and inherited into child twice.

Means child would have duplicate set of members. This introduce ambiguity and should be avoided.

This problem also called as diamond problem.

Java provides alternative solution for this approach known as interface.

Interface is also kind of class. interface contain or define only abstract method and final fields.

Syntax :

Access interface interface-name .

Variable of interface are initialized with constant values.

All the Variables are implicitly Public if interface it is declare as a public.

method declaration contains only list of methods without any body and ends with semicolon.

Ex:

```
Interface Printable
{
    void print();
}
class InterfaceExample implements Printable
{
    public void print()
    {
        System.out.println("Hello");
    }
}
```

```
public static void main (String args[])
```

```
{
```

```
Interface example obj = new interfaceexample  
obj.print();
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

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Final Class Example

```
Final class A
```

```
{
```

```
void display()
```

```
{
```

```
System.out.println ("Base class method");
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
class B extends A
```

```
{
```

```
void display()
```

```
{
```

```
super.display();
```

```
System.out.println ("Derived class  
method");
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

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Interface Area

```
{
    final static float pi = 3.14f;
    float compute (float x, float y)
}
```

Class Rectangle implements Area

```
{
    public float compute (float x, float y)
    {
        return (x * y);
    }
}
```

Class Circle implements Area // another interface implementation

```
{
    public float compute (float x, float y)
    {
        return (pi * x * y);
    }
}
```

Class Simple {

```
{
    public static void main (String args[])
    {
```

Rectangle rect = new Rectangle (); // create object of class

Circle cir = new Circle ();

Area area;

Area = rect; // interface obj create.

area refers to the rect object.

which implement interface.

```
System.out.println (" area of Rectangle " +  
area.compute (10, 20));
```

```
area = cir; // area refers to circle object.
```

```
System.out.println (" area of circle : " +  
area.compute (10, 2));
```

output:

Area of rectangle : 200

Area of circle : 0.0

• Nesting of interfaces

Interface can be nested similar to class.
an interface can be nested within
class or another interface also.

An interface can be declared inside class
body or interface is called as
nesting of interfaces.

Rules:

- ① Nested interface must be public if it is declare inside interface
- ② Nested interface can have any access modifier if declare inside class.

Syntax:

interface interface-name

{

 interface nestedinterface-name

}

}

}

Package :

Reusability can be achieved through inheritance and interfaces by extending the classes and implementing interface but this is limited to reusing the class within program

if we want to use classes of other program without copying them into program then this can be achieved in Java by using packages

Packages can be used for grouping the variety of classes and interfaces together.

Advantages of packages

- 1] Reusability
- 2] Class can be unique

Packages are acts as a container for classes

There are two types of packages

- 1] API or Library packages
- 2] User defined package

II API or Library Packages:

- ① LANG / lang
- ② UTIL
- ③ io
- ④ net
- ⑤ applet
- ⑥ awt
- ⑦ Swing

Suppose class Color is awt package is referred then statement can be used `java.awt.Color;`

`import package_name . class_name or`

`import package_name . * ;`

1) Java.lang

This is the language support package/classes

2) Java.util

This is the language utility classes such as Scanner, Vector etc.

3) Java.io

This is input output support classes.

4) Java.awt

Contains the set of classes for implement GUI.

Class B

{

==

}

Interface C

{

==

}

Accessing members of package

By using import keyword a package created in one program can be imported in other program.

Ex:

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Package pack1;

public class ArithmeticOperations {

public int getAddition (int x, int y)

{

return (x+y);

}

public int getSubtraction (int x, int y)

{

return (x-y);

}

}

```
package pack1;  
import pack1.*;
```

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A. Java,

```
Package eng;  
public class A  
{  
    public void  
        show();  
}  
System.out.println ("A");
```

B. Java

```
import eng.*;  
public class B  
{  
    public static void main (String args[])  
    {  
        A a = new A();  
        a.show();  
    }  
}
```

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D → ABC → eng → A.txt file →
B.txt file

Sss > d:

dir cd ABC

cd eng

set classpath =

javac A.java,

eng > cd..

javac B.java

Java B

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