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# Inheritance

## What is Inheritance?

**Inheritance** is a mechanism in which one class acquires the property of another class.

Or

The process by which one class acquires the properties(data members) and functionalities(methods) of another class is called **inheritance**.

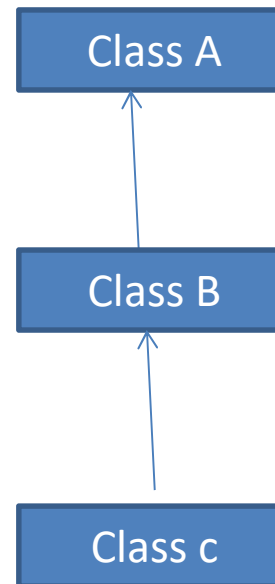
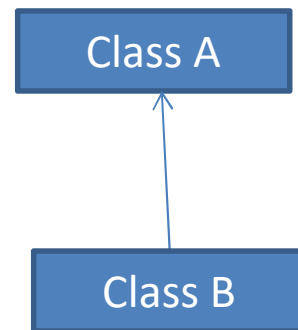
- The aim of inheritance is to provide the reusability of code so that a class has to write only the unique features and rest of the common properties and functionalities can be extended from the another class.
- **Child Class:**  
The class that extends the features of another class is known as child class, sub class or derived class.
- **Parent Class:**  
The class whose properties and functionalities are used(inherited) by another class is known as parent class, super class or Base class.
- Inheritance represents the **IS-A relationship** which is also known as a *parent-child* relationship.

- To inherit a class we use extends keyword
- **Syntax:**
- **class** Subclass-name **extends** Superclass-name
- {
- //methods and fields
- }
- E.g.
- class B extends A
- {
- body of class
- }
- Here class B is child class and class A is parent class.

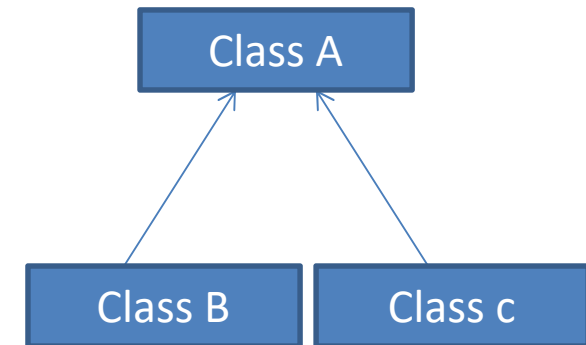
# Types of inheritance in java

- On the basis of class, there can be three types of inheritance in java: single, multilevel and hierarchical.

## 1)Single



## 2)MULTILEVEL



## 3) Hierarchical.

- 1) **Single Inheritance:** When a derived class inherits from only one base class then it is single inheritance.

Syntax

```
class Parent
```

```
{
```

```
// methods // fields // .....
```

```
}
```

```
class Child extends Parent
```

```
{
```

```
// body of class
```

```
}
```

```
class add1
{
    int add(int a , int b)
    {
        return a+b;
    }
}
public class sub1 extends add1
{
    int sub(int a , int b)
    {
        return a-b;
    }
}
```

```
class calulator
{
    public static void main(String
        args[])
    {
        sub1 cal= new sub1();
        System.out.println(cal.add(1,2));
        System.out.println(cal.sub(1,2));
    }
}
```

## 2) Multilevel Inheritance:

When a class extends to another class that also extends some other class forms a multilevel inheritance

Syntax

```
classA
```

```
{
```

```
//body of class
```

```
}
```

```
class B extends A
```

```
{
```

```
// body of class
```

```
}
```

```
class C extends B
```

```
{
```

```
// class body of class
```

```
}
```



```
class show
{
int add(int a,int b)
{
return a+b;
}
}
class display extends show
{
int sub(int a,int b)
{
return a-b;
}
}
```

```
class result extends display
{
int mul (int a ,int b)
{
return a*b;
}
}
class calulator
{
public static void main(String args[])
{
result res=new result();
System.out.println(res.add(20,30) );
System.out.println(res.sub(40,30) );
System.out.println(res.mul(10,3) );
}
}
```

### **3) Hierarchical Inheritance-**

When a class is extended by two or more classes,  
it forms hierarchical inheritance

OR

when two or more classes inherits a single class  
,it is known as hierarchical inheritance

syntax

```
class parent
```

```
{
```

```
//body of class
```

```
}
```

```
class child extends parent
```

```
{
```

```
//body of class
```

```
}
```

```
class child1 extends parent
```

```
{
```

```
//body of class
```

```
}
```

```
class show
{
int add(int a,int b)
{
return a+b;
}
}
class display extends show
{
int sub(int a,int b)
{
return a-b;
}
```

```
class result extends show
{
int mul (int a ,int b)
{
return a*b;
}
}
class calulator
{
public static void main(String args[])
{
result res=new result();
display d=new display()
System.out.println(res.add(20,30) );
System.out.println(res.mul(10,3) );

System.out.println(d.add(20,20) );
System.out.println(d.sub(40,30) );
}
```