Java Programming- History of Java

The history of java starts from Green Team. Java team members (also known as **Green Team**), initiated a revolutionary task to develop a language for digital devices such as set-top boxes, televisions etc.

For the green team members, it was an advance concept at that time. But, it was suited for internet programming. Later, Java technology as incorporated by Netscape.

Currently, Java is used in internet programming, mobile devices, games, e-business solutions etc. There are given the major points that describes the history of java.

1) **James Gosling**, **Mike Sheridan**, and **Patrick Naughton** initiated the Java language project in June 1991. The small team of sun engineers called **Green Team**.

2) Originally designed for small, embedded systems in electronic appliances like set-top boxes.

3) Firstly, it was called **"Greentalk"** by James Gosling and file extension was .gt.

4) After that, it was called Oak and was developed as a part of the Green project.

Java Version History

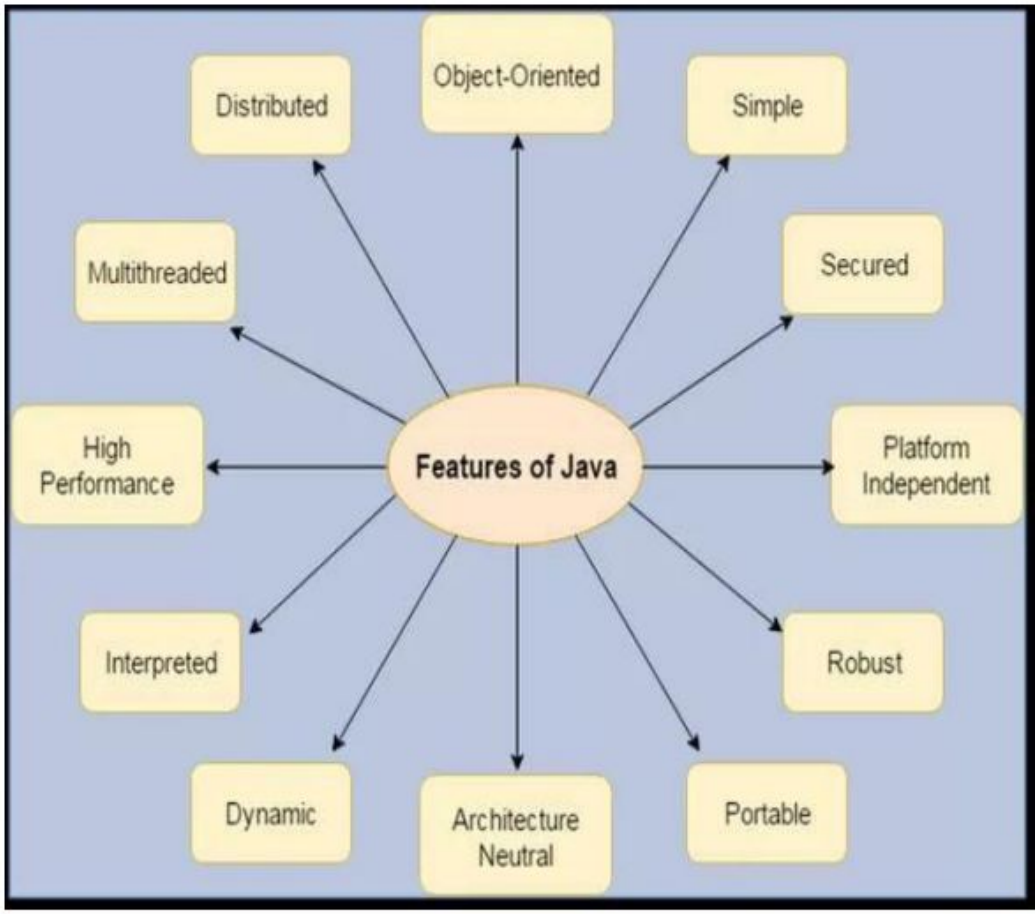
There are many java versions that has been released. Current stable release of Java is Java SE 8.

1. JDK Alpha and Beta (1995)
2. JDK 1.0 (23rd Jan, 1996)
3. JDK 1.1 (19th Feb, 1997)
4. J2SE 1.2 (8th Dec, 1998)
5. J2SE 1.3 (8th May, 2000)
6. J2SE 1.4 (6th Feb, 2002)
7. J2SE 5.0 (30th Sep, 2004)
8. Java SE 6 (11th Dec, 2006)
9. Java SE 7 (28th July, 2011)
10. Java SE 8 (18th March, 2014)

Features of Java

There is given many features of java. They are also known as java buzzwords. The Java Features given below are simple and easy to understand.

1. Simple
2. Object-Oriented
3. Portable
4. Platform independent
5. Secured
6. Robust
7. Architecture neutral
8. Dynamic
9. Interpreted
10. High Performance
11. Multithreaded
12. Distributed



Java Comments

The java comments are statements that are not executed by the compiler and interpreter. The comments can be used to provide information or explanation about the variable, method, class or any statement. It can also be used to hide program code for specific time.

Types of Java Comments

There are 3 types of comments in java.

1. Single Line Comment
2. Multi Line Comment
3. Documentation Comment

Java Single Line Comment

The single line comment is used to comment only one line.

Syntax:

```
1. //This is single line comment
```

Example:

```
public class CommentExample1 {
public static void main(String[] args) {
   int i=10;//Here, i is a variable
   System.out.println(i);
}
}
```

Output:

```
10
```

Java Multi Line Comment

The multi line comment is used to comment multiple lines of code.

Syntax:

```
/*
This
is
multi line
comment
*/
```

Example:

```
public class CommentExample2 {
public static void main(String[] args) {
/* Let's declare and
 print variable in java. */
   int i=10;
   System.out.println(i);
} }
```

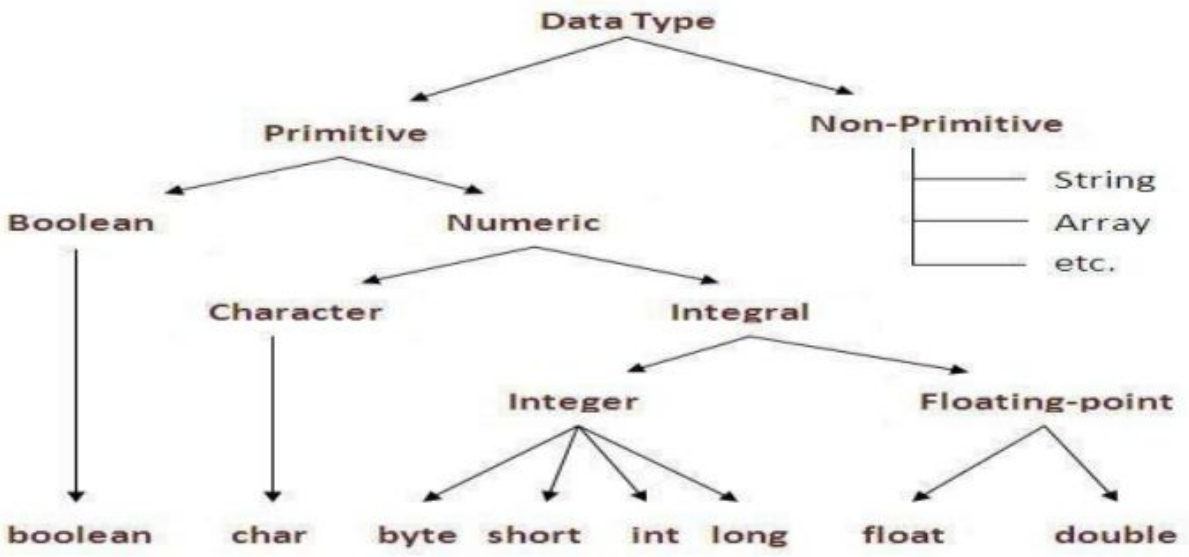
Output:

```
10
```

Data Types

Data types represent the different values to be stored in the variable. In java, there are two types of data types:

- Primitive data types
- Non-primitive data types



Data Type	Default Value	Default size
boolean	False	1 bit
char	'\u0000'	2 byte
byte	0	1 byte
short	0	2 byte
int	0	4 byte
long	0L	8 byte
float	0.0f	4 byte
double	0.0d	8 byte

Java Variable Example: Add Two Numbers

```
class Simple{
public static void main(String[] args){
int   a=10;
int   b=10;
int c=a+b;
System.out.println(c);
}}
```

Output:20

Variables and Data Types in Java

Variable is a name of memory location. There are three types of variables in java: local, instance and static.

There are two types of data types in java: primitive and non-primitive.

Types of Variable

There are three types of variables in java:

- local variable
- instance variable
- static variable

1) Local Variable

A variable which is declared inside the method is called local variable.

2) Instance Variable

A variable which is declared inside the class but outside the method, is called instance variable . It is not declared as static.

3) Static variable

A variable that is declared as static is called static variable. It cannot be local.

We will have detailed learning of these variables in next chapters.

Example to understand the types of variables in java

```
class A{
int data=50;//instance variable
static int m=100;//static variable
void method(){
int n=90;//local variable
}
}//end of class
```

Constants in Java

A constant is a variable which cannot have its value changed after declaration. It uses the **'final' keyword.**

Syntax

```
modifier final dataType variableName = value; //global constant

modifier static final dataType variableName = value; //constant within a c
```

Scope and Life Time of Variables

The scope of a variable defines the section of the code in which the variable is visible. As a general rule, variables that are defined within a block are not accessible outside that block. The lifetime of a variable refers to how long the variable exists before it is destroyed. Destroying variables refers to deallocating the memory that was allotted to the variables when declaring it. We have written a few classes till now. You might have observed that not all variables are the same. The ones declared in the body of a method were different from those that were declared in the class itself. There are three types of variables: instance variables, formal parameters or local variables and local variables.

Instance variables

Instance variables are those that are defined within a class itself and not in any method or constructor of the class. They are known as instance variables because every instance of the class (object) contains a copy of these variables. The scope of instance variables is determined by the access specifier that is applied to these variables. We have already seen about it earlier. The lifetime of these variables is the same as the lifetime of the object to which it belongs. Object once created do not exist for ever. They are destroyed by the garbage collector of Java when there are no more reference to that object. We shall see about Java's automatic garbage collector later on.

Argument variables

These are the variables that are defined in the header oaf constructor or a method. The scope of these variables is the method or constructor in which they are defined. The lifetime is limited to the time for which the method keeps executing. Once the method finishes execution, these variables are destroyed.

Local variables

A local variable is the one that is declared within a method or a constructor (not in the header). The scope and lifetime are limited to the method itself.

One important distinction between these three types of variables is that access specifiers can be applied to instance variables only and not to argument or local variables.

In addition to the local variables defined in a method, we also have variables that are defined in bocks life an if block and an else block. The scope and is the same as that of the block itself.

Operators in java

Operator in java is a symbol that is used to perform operations. For example: +, -, *, / etc.

There are many types of operators in java which are given below:

- Unary Operator,
- Arithmetic Operator,
- shift Operator,
- Relational Operator,
- Bitwise Operator,
- Logical Operator,
- Ternary Operator and
- Assignment Operator.

Operators Hierarchy

Operator Precedence

Operators	Precedence
postfix	`expr++ expr--`
unary	`++expr --expr +expr -expr ~ !`
multiplicative	`* / %`
additive	`+ -`
shift	`<< >> >>>`
relational	`< > <= >= instanceof`
equality	`== !=`
bitwise AND	`&`
bitwise exclusive OR	`^`
bitwise inclusive OR	`|`
logical AND	`&&`
logical OR	`||`
ternary	`? :`
assignment	`= += -= *= /= %= &= ^= |= <<= >>= >>>=`

Expressions

Expressions are essential building blocks of any Java program, usually created to produce a new value, although sometimes an expression simply assigns a value to a variable. Expressions are built using values, variables, operators and method calls.

Types of Expressions

While an expression frequently produces a result, it doesn't always. There are three types of expressions in Java:

- Those that produce a value, i.e. the result of (1 + 1)
- Those that assign a variable, for example (v = 10)
- Those that have no result but might have a "side effect" because an expression can include a wide range of elements such as method invocations or increment operators that modify the state (i.e. memory) of a program.

Java Type casting and Type conversion

Widening or Automatic Type Conversion

Widening conversion takes place when two data types are automatically converted. This happens when:

- The two data types are compatible.
- When we assign value of a smaller data type to a bigger data type.

For Example, in java the numeric data types are compatible with each other but no automatic conversion is supported from numeric type to char or boolean. Also, char and boolean are not compatible with each other.

Byte –> Short –> Int –> Long – > Float –> Double

Widening or Automatic Conversion

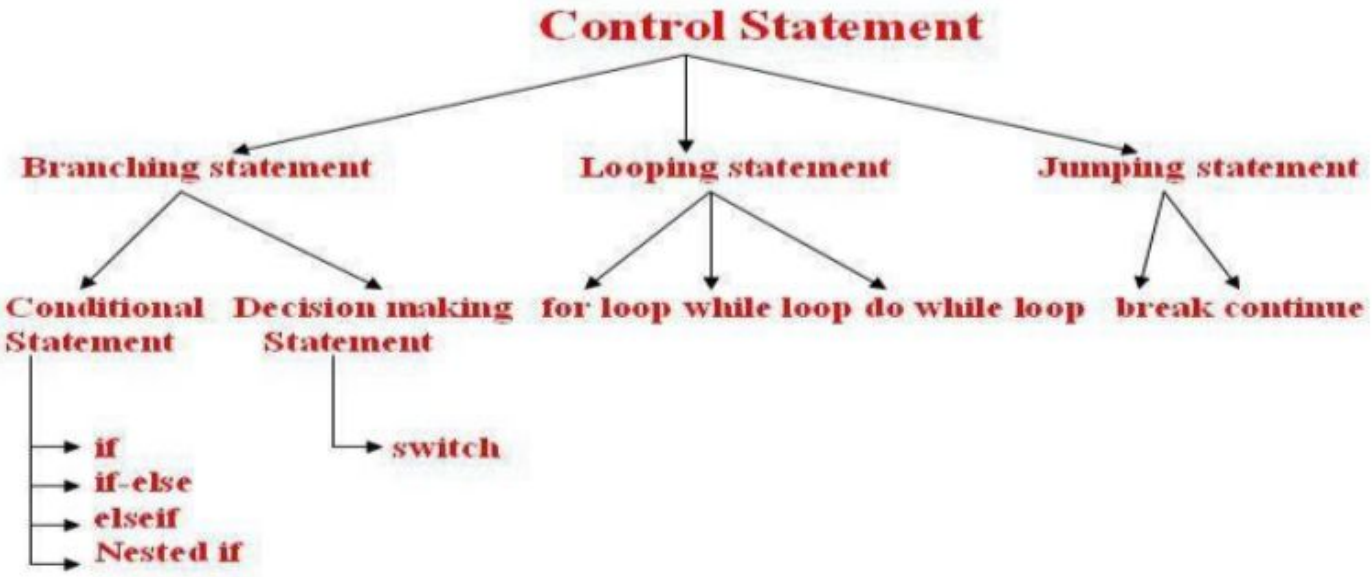
Narrowing or Explicit Conversion

If we want to assign a value of larger data type to a smaller data type we perform explicit type casting or narrowing.

- This is useful for incompatible data types where automatic conversion cannot be done.
- Here, target-type specifies the desired type to convert the specified value to.

Double –> Float –> Long –> Int –> Short –> Byte

- **Narrowing or Explicit Conversion**



Creating a Stand-Alone Java Application

1. Write a main method that runs your program. You can write this method anywhere. In this example, I'll write my main method in a class called Main that has no other methods. **For example:**

```
2.    public class Main
3.    {
4.      public static void main(String[] args)
5.      {
6.        Game.play();
7.      } }
```

8. Make sure your code is compiled, and that you have tested it thoroughly.
9. If you're using Windows, you will need to set your path to include Java, if you haven't done so already. This is a delicate operation. Open Explorer, and look inside C:\ProgramFiles\Java, and you should see some version of the JDK. Open this folder, and then open the bin folder. Select the complete path from the top of the Explorer window, and press Ctrl-C to copy it.

Next, find the "My Computer" icon (on your Start menu or desktop), right-click it, and select properties. Click on the Advanced tab, and then click on the Environment variables button. Look at the variables listed for all users, and click on the Path variable. Do not delete the contents of this variable! Instead, edit the contents by moving the cursor to the right end, entering a semicolon (;), and pressing Ctrl-V to paste the path you copied earlier. Then go ahead and save your changes. (If you have any Cmd windows open, you will need to close them.)

10. If you're using Windows, go to the Start menu and type "cmd" to run a program that brings up a command prompt window. If you're using a Mac or Linux machine, run the Terminal program to bring up a command prompt.
11. In Windows, type dir at the command prompt to list the contents of the current directory. On a Mac or Linux machine, type ls to do this.

Arrays

Java provides a data structure, the **array**, which stores a fixed-size sequential collection of elements of the same type. An array is used to store a collection of data, but it is often more useful to think of an array as a collection of variables of the same type.

Instead of declaring individual variables, such as number0, number1, ..., and number99, you declare one array variable such as numbers and use numbers[0], numbers[1], and ..., numbers[99] to represent individual variables.

This tutorial introduces how to declare array variables, create arrays, and process arrays using indexed variables.

Declaring Array Variables:

To use an array in a program, you must declare a variable to reference the array, and you must specify the type of array the variable can reference. Here is the syntax for declaring an array variable:

```
dataType[] arrayRefVar; // preferred way.

or

dataType arrayRefVar[]; // works but not preferred way.
```

Note: The style **dataType[] arrayRefVar** is preferred. The style **dataType arrayRefVar[]** comes from the C/C++ language and was adopted in Java to accommodate C/C++ programmers.

The following code snippets are examples of this syntax:

```
double[] myList;        // preferred way.
or
double myList[];        // works but not preferred way.
```

Creating Arrays:
You can create an array by using the new operator with the following syntax:

```
arrayRefVar = new dataType[arraySize];
```

The above statement does two things:

- It creates an array using new dataType[arraySize];
- It assigns the reference of the newly created array to the variable arrayRefVar.

Declaring an array variable, creating an array, and assigning the reference of the array to the variable can be combined in one statement, as shown below:

```
dataType[] arrayRefVar = new dataType[arraySize];
```

Alternatively you can create arrays as follows:

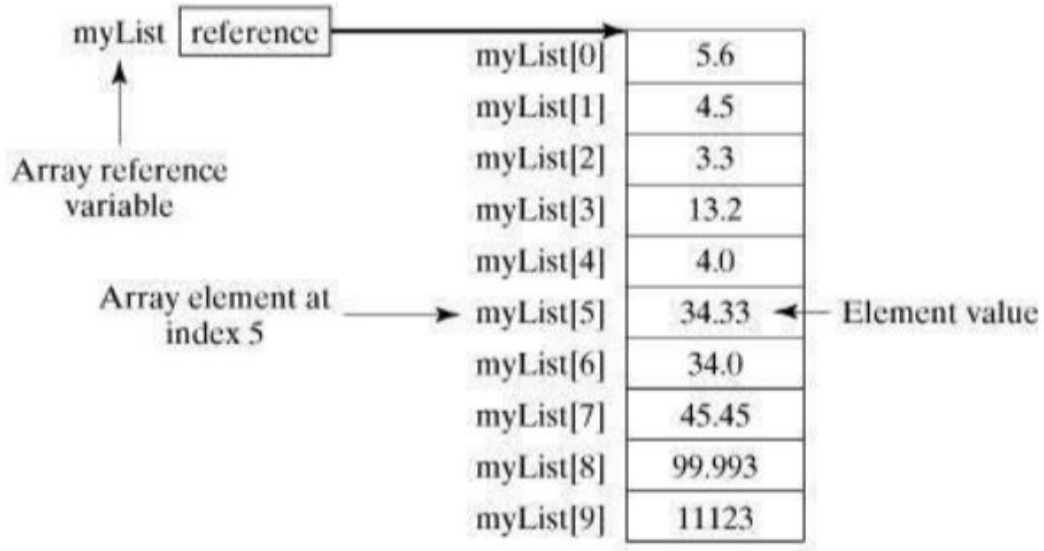
```
dataType[] arrayRefVar = {value0, value1, ..., valuek};
```

The array elements are accessed through the **index**. Array indices are 0-based; that is, they start from 0 to **arrayRefVar.length-1**.

Example:
Following statement declares an array variable, myList, creates an array of 10 elements of double type and assigns its reference to myList:

```
double[] myList = new double[10];
```

Following picture represents array myList. Here, myList holds ten double values and the indices are from 0 to 9.



Processing Arrays:

When processing array elements, we often use either for loop or for each loop because all of the elements in an array are of the same type and the size of the array is known.

Example:

Here is a complete example of showing how to create, initialize and process arrays:

```
public class TestArray
{
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    double[] myList = {1.9, 2.9, 3.4, 3.5};
          // Print all the array elements
    for (int i = 0; i < myList.length; i++) {
      System.out.println(myList[i] + " ");
    }
    // Summing all elements
    double total = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < myList.length; i++) {
      total += myList[i];
    }
    System.out.println("Total is " + total);
    // Finding the largest element
    double max = myList[0];
    for (int i = 1; i < myList.length; i++) {
      if (myList[i] > max) max = myList[i];
    }
    System.out.println("Max is " + max);
  }
}
```

Constructors

Constructor in java is a *special type of method* that is used to initialize the object.

Java constructor is *invoked at the time of object creation*. It constructs the values i.e. provides data for the object that is why it is known as constructor.

There are basically two rules defined for the constructor.

1. Constructor name must be same as its class name
2. Constructor must have no explicit return type

Types of java constructors

There are two types of constructors:

1. Default constructor (no-arg constructor)
2. Parameterized constructor

Java Default Constructor

A constructor that have no parameter is known as default constructor.

Syntax of default constructor:

1. <class_name>(){}

Example of default constructor

In this example, we are creating the no-arg constructor in the Bike class. It will be invoked at the time of object creation.

```
class Bike1{
Bike1(){System.out.println("Bike is created");}
public static void main(String args[]){
Bike1 b=new Bike1();
} }
```

Output: Bike is created

Java - Methods

A Java method is a collection of statements that are grouped together to perform an operation. When you call the System.out.**println()** method, for example, the system actually executes several statements in order to display a message on the console.

Now you will learn how to create your own methods with or without return values, invoke a method with or without parameters, and apply method abstraction in the program design.

Creating Method

Considering the following example to explain the syntax of a method −

Syntax

```
public static int methodName(int a, int b) {
  // body
}
```

Here,

- **public static** − modifier
- **int** − return type
- **methodName** − name of the method
- **a, b** − formal parameters
- **int a, int b** − list of parameters

Method definition consists of a method header and a method body. The same is shown in the following syntax −

Syntax

```
modifier returnType nameOfMethod (Parameter List) {
  // method body
}
```

The syntax shown above includes −

- **modifier** − It defines the access type of the method and it is optional to use.
- **returnType** − Method may return a value.
- **nameOfMethod** − This is the method name. The method signature consists of the method name and the parameter list.

- **Parameter List** − The list of parameters, it is the type, order, and number of parameters of a method. These are optional, method may contain zero parameters.
- **method body** − The method body defines what the method does with the statements.

Call by Value and Call by Reference in Java

There is only call by value in java, not call by reference. If we call a method passing a value, it is known as call by value. The changes being done in the called method, is not affected in the calling method.

Example of call by value in java

In case of call by value original value is not changed. Let's take a simple example:

```
class Operation{
 int data=50;
 void change(int data){
 data=data+100;//changes will be in the local variable only
 }
 public static void main(String args[]){
  Operation op=new Operation();
  System.out.println("before change "+op.data);
  op.change(500);
  System.out.println("after change "+op.data);
 }
}
```

```
Output:before change 50
       after change 50
```

In Java, parameters are always passed by value. For example, following program prints i = 10, j = 20.

```
// Test.java
class Test {
  // swap() doesn't swap i and j
  public static void swap(Integer i, Integer j) {
    Integer temp = new Integer(i);
    i = j;
    j = temp;
  }
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Integer i = new Integer(10);
    Integer j = new Integer(20);
    swap(i, j);
    System.out.println("i = " + i + ", j = " + j);
```

private access modifier

The private access modifier is accessible only within class.

Simple example of private access modifier

In this example, we have created two classes A and Simple. A class contains private data member and private method. We are accessing these private members from outside the class, so there is compile time error.

```
class A{
private int data=40;
private void msg(){System.out.println("Hello java");}  }
public class Simple{
 public static void main(String args[]){
  A obj=new A();
  System.out.println(obj.data);//Compile Time Error
  obj.msg();//Compile Time Error
  } }
```

2) default access modifier

If you don't use any modifier, it is treated as **default** bydefault. The default modifier is accessible only within package.

Example of default access modifier

In this example, we have created two packages pack and mypack. We are accessing the A class from outside its package, since A class is not public, so it cannot be accessed from outside the package.

```
//save by A.java
package pack;
class A{
  void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}
}
```

3) protected access modifier

The **protected access modifier** is accessible within package and outside the package but through inheritance only.

The protected access modifier can be applied on the data member, method and constructor. It can't be applied on the class.

Example of protected access modifier

In this example, we have created the two packages pack and mypack. The A class of pack package is public, so can be accessed from outside the package. But msg method of this package is declared as protected, so it can be accessed from outside the class only through inheritance.

```
//save by A.java
package pack;
public class A{
protected void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");} }
//save by B.java
package mypack;
import pack.*;
class B extends A{
 public static void main(String args[]){
  B obj = new B();
  obj.msg();
 } }
```

Output:Hello

Example of public access modifier

```
//save by A.java
package pack;
public class A{
public void msg(){System.out.println("Hello");}  }
//save by B.java
package mypack;
import pack.*;
class B{
  public static void main(String args[]){
   A obj = new A();
   obj.msg();
  } }
```

Output:Hello

Understanding all java access modifiers

Let's understand the access modifiers by a simple table.

Access Modifier	within class	within package	outside package by subclass only	outside package
Private	Y	N	N	N
Default	Y	Y	N	N
Protected	Y	Y	Y	N
Public	Y	Y	Y	Y

Method Overloading in java

If a class has multiple methods having same name but different in parameters, it is known as **Method Overloading**.

If we have to perform only one operation, having same name of the methods increases the readability of the program.

Method Overloading: changing no. of arguments

In this example, we have created two methods, first add() method performs addition of two numbers and second add method performs addition of three numbers.

In this example, we are creating static methods so that we don't need to create instance for calling methods.

```
class Adder{
static int add(int a,int b){return a+b;}
static int add(int a,int b,int c){return a+b+c;}
}
class TestOverloading1{
public static void main(String[] args){
System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11));
System.out.println(Adder.add(11,11,11));
}}
```

Output:

```
22
33
```

Inheritance in java is a mechanism in which one object acquires all the properties and behaviors of parent object. Inheritance represents the **IS-A relationship**, also known as *parent-child* relationship.

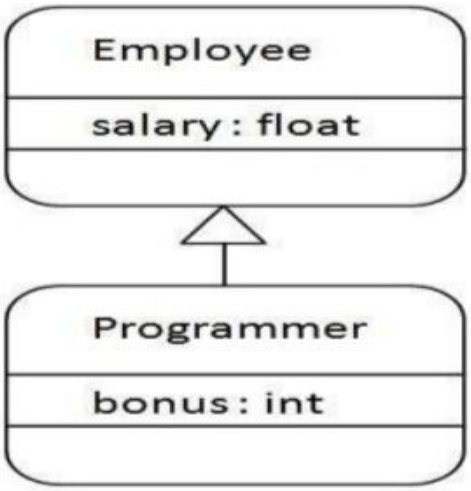
Why use inheritance in java

- For Method Overriding (so runtime polymorphism can be achieved).
- For Code Reusability.

Syntax of Java Inheritance

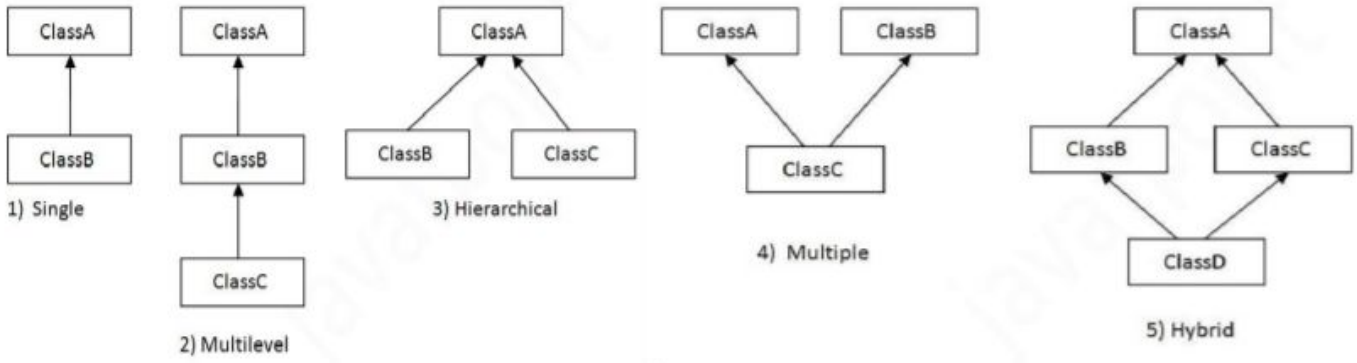
```
1. class Subclass-name extends Superclass-name
2. {
3.     //methods and fields
4. }
```

The **extends keyword** indicates that you are making a new class that derives from an existing class. The meaning of "extends" is to increase the functionality.




```
class Employee{
 float salary=40000;
}
class Programmer extends Employee{
 int bonus=10000;
 public static void main(String args[]){
   Programmer p=new Programmer();
   System.out.println("Programmer salary is:"+p.salary);
   System.out.println("Bonus of Programmer is:"+p.bonus);
} }
```

Types of inheritance in java



Single Inheritance Example

File: TestInheritance.java

```
class Animal{
void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
}
class Dog extends Animal{
void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
}
class TestInheritance{
public static void main(String args[]){
Dog d=new Dog();
d.bark();
d.eat();
}}
```

Output:
barking...
eating...

Multilevel Inheritance Example

File: TestInheritance2.java

```
class Animal{
void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
}
class Dog extends Animal{
void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
}
class BabyDog extends Dog{
void weep(){System.out.println("weeping...");}
}
class TestInheritance2{
```

```
public static void main(String args[]){
BabyDog d=new BabyDog();
d.weep();
d.bark();
d.eat();
}}
```

Output:

```
weeping...
barking...
eating...
```

Hierarchical Inheritance Example

File: TestInheritance3.java

```
class Animal{
void eat(){System.out.println("eating...");}
}
class Dog extends Animal{
void bark(){System.out.println("barking...");}
}
class Cat extends Animal{
void meow(){System.out.println("meowing...");}
}
class TestInheritance3{
public static void main(String args[]){
Cat c=new Cat();
c.meow();
c.eat();
//c.bark();//C.T.Error
}}
```

Output:

```
meowing...
eating...
```

Usage of Java Method Overriding

- Method overriding is used to provide specific implementation of a method that is already provided by its super class.
- Method overriding is used for runtime polymorphism

Rules for Java Method Overriding

1. method must have same name as in the parent class
2. method must have same parameter as in the parent class.
3. must be IS-A relationship (inheritance).

Example of method overriding

```
Class Vehicle{
void run(){System.out.println("Vehicle is running");}
}
class Bike2 extends Vehicle{
void run(){System.out.println("Bike is running safely");}
public static void main(String args[]){
Bike2 obj = new Bike2();
obj.run();
}
```

Output:Bike is running safely

```
1. class Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 0;}
}
class SBI extends Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 8;}
}
 class ICICI extends Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 7;}
}
class AXIS extends Bank{
int getRateOfInterest(){return 9;}
}
class Test2{
public static void main(String args[]){
SBI s=new SBI();
ICICI i=new ICICI();
AXIS a=new AXIS();
System.out.println("SBI Rate of Interest: "+s.getRateOfInterest());
System.out.println("ICICI Rate of Interest: "+i.getRateOfInterest());
System.out.println("AXIS Rate of Interest: "+a.getRateOfInterest());
} }
```

Output:
SBI Rate of Interest: 8

Abstract class in Java

A class that is declared with abstract keyword is known as abstract class in java. It can have abstract and non-abstract methods (method with body). It needs to be extended and its method implemented. It cannot be instantiated.

Example abstract class

```
1. abstract class A{}
```

abstract method

```
1. abstract void printStatus();//no body and abstract
```

Example of abstract class that has abstract method

```
abstract class Bike{
  abstract void run();
}
class Honda4 extends Bike{
void run(){System.out.println("running safely..");}
public static void main(String args[]){
 Bike obj = new Honda4();
 obj.run();
}
1. }
```

```
running safely..
```