

Subject Name: Object Oriented Programming Using C++

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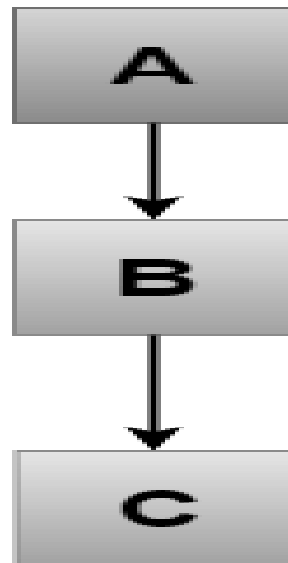
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Multilevel Inheritance

- When a class is derived from a class which is also derived from another class, i.e. a class having more than one parent classes, such inheritance is called **Multilevel Inheritance**. The level of inheritance can be extended to any number of level depending upon the relation. Multilevel inheritance is similar to relation between grandfather, father and child.



Example

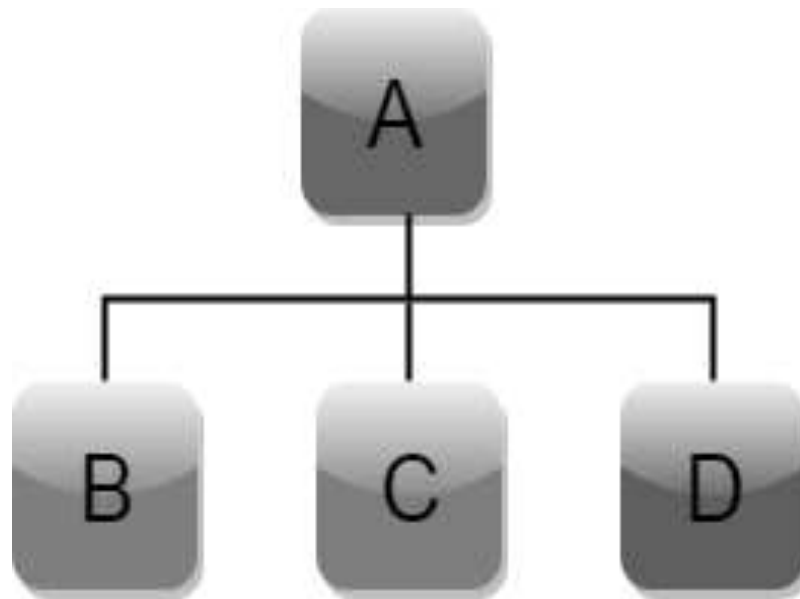
```
class Animal
{
  public:
  void eat()
  {
    cout<<"Eating..."<<endl;
  }
};

class Dog: public Animal
{
  public:
  void bark()
  {
    cout<<"Barking..."<<endl;
  }
};
```

```
class BabyDog: public Dog  
{  
    public:  
        void weep()  
        {  
            cout<<"Weeping...";  
        }  
};  
void main()  
{  
    BabyDog d1;  
    d1.eat();  
    d1.bark();  
    d1.weep();  
    getch();  
}
```

Hierarchical Inheritance

- In this type of inheritance, more than one sub class is inherited from a single base class. i.e. more than one derived class is created from a single base class.



Example

```
class Shape // Declaration of base class.
{
    public:
    int a;
    int b;
    void get_data(int n,int m)
    {
        a= n;
        b = m;
    }
};
```

```
class Rectangle : public Shape // inheriting Shape class
{
    public:
    int rect_area()
    {
        int result = a*b;
        return result;
    }
};

class Triangle : public Shape // inheriting Shape class
{
    public:
    int triangle_area()
    {
        float result = 0.5*a*b;
        return result;
    }
};
```

```
void main()
{
    Rectangle r;
    Triangle t;
    int length,breadth,base,height;
    cout << "Enter the length and breadth of a rectangle: " << endl;
    cin>>length>>breadth;
    r.get_data(length,breadth);
    int m = r.rect_area();
    cout << "Area of the rectangle is : " <<m<<endl;
    cout << "Enter the base and height of the triangle: " <<endl;
    cin>>base>>height;
    t.get_data(base,height);
    float n = t.triangle_area();
    cout <<"Area of the triangle is : " << n<<endl;
    getch();
}
```


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