Python OOP topics & examples

Name example

```
class NameClassifier:
   def init (self, femalefile, malefile):
        self.load_name_data(femalefile, malefile)
   def load_name_data(self, femalefile, malefile):
        # Creates a dictionary with the name data from the two input files
        self.namedata = {}
        f = open(femalefile,'r')
        for line in f:
            self.namedata[line.split()[0]] = 1.0
        f.close()
        f = open(malefile,'r')
        for line in f:
            name = line.split()[0]
            if name in self.namedata:
                # Just assume a 50/50 distribution for names on both lists
                self.namedata[name] = 0.5
            else:
                self.namedata[name] = 0.0
        f.close()
   def classify_name(self, name):
        if name in self.namedata:
            return self.namedata[name]
        else:
            # Don't have this name in our data
            return 0.5
# Create an instance of the name classifier
classifier = NameClassifier('dist.female.first', 'dist.male.first')
# Setup test data
testdata = ['PETER', 'LOIS', 'STEWIE', 'BRIAN', 'MEG', 'CHRIS']
# Invoke the classify_name() method
for name in testdata:
   print('{}: {}'.format(name, classifier.classify_name(name)))
Student example
Let's inspect review the Student object example from lecture 8:
import copy
class Student:
   def __init__(self, id):
       self._id = id
        self._gpa = 0.0
        self._courses = {}
```

```
def get_id(self):
        return self._id
    def add_course(self, name, gradepoint):
        self._courses[name] = gradepoint
        sumgradepoints = float(sum(self._courses.values()))
        self._gpa = sumgradepoints/len(self._courses)
    def get gpa(self):
        return self._gpa
    def get_courses(self):
        return copy.deepcopy(self._courses)
s = Student(7)
s.add_course("gym", 4)
s.add_course("math", 3)
print("s = {}".format(s))
# lots of print statements to get information
print(s.get_id())
print(s.get_courses())
print(s.get_gpa())
```

Operator overloading

- Your user defined objects can be made to work with the Python built-in operators
- Why would you want to do that?

String representation method

```
We add a __repr__() method:
class Student:
   def __init__(self, id):
       self._id = id
       self._gpa = 0.0
       self._courses = {}
   def get_id(self):
       return self._id
   def add_course(self, name, gradepoint):
        self._courses[name] = gradepoint
        sumgradepoints = float(sum(self._courses.values()))
        self._gpa = sumgradepoints/len(self._courses)
   def get_gpa(self):
       return self._gpa
   def get_courses(self):
       return copy.deepcopy(self._courses)
   def __repr__(self):
        string = "Student %d: " % self.get_id()
        string += " %s, " % self.get_courses()
        string += "GPA = %4.2f" % self.get_gpa()
       return string
s = Student(7)
```

```
s.add_course("gym", 4)
s.add_course("math", 3)
# now easy to print a student
print(s)
```

Methods you can override

Over 50+ methods in total

What is OOP?

- Some will argue that putting your data in an object, and adding a bunch of put / get methods to interface with it, is just a glorified container and interface
- Real power of OOP might be in allowing objects to interact with each other by overriding appropriate methods

Particle collision

p_blue = Particle(...)
p_red = Particle(...)

OOP design

```
p_purple = p_blue + p_red

Particle class

class Particle:
    def __init__(self, mass, velx):
        self.mass = mass
        self.velx = velx

    def __add__(self, other):
        # inelastic collision (momentum is conserved)
        mass = self.mass + other.mass
        velx = (self.mass*self.velx + other.mass*other.velx)/mass
        return Particle(mass, velx)

def __repr__(self):
        return "Mass: %s, Velocity: %s" % (self.mass, self.velx)
```

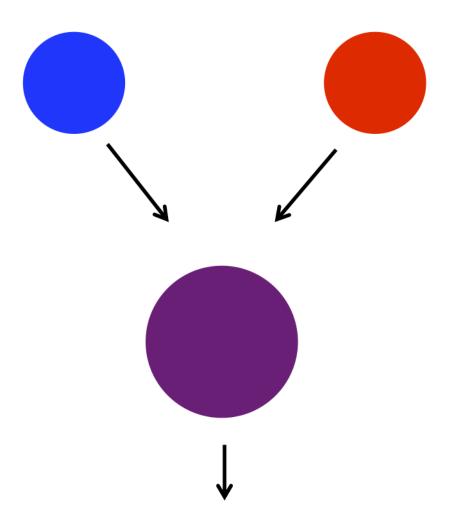


Figure 1: fig/particle-collision.png

OOP particle collision:

```
p_blue = Particle(4.3, 2.5)
p_red = Particle(1.4, -0.8)
p_purple = p_blue + p_red
p_purple
```

Overloading should be intuitive

This is not a good idea:

```
class User:
    def __init__(self, id):
        self.id = id
    def __len__(self):
        return self.get_id()
    def get_id(self):
        return self.id

Now:
user = User(7)
len(user)
```

Is this intuitive? Does this behave in a way a reasonable Python programmer would expect?

Inheritance

- Inheritance is a way for a class to inherit attributes from another class
- This is a form of code reuse
- The original class is called a base class, or a superclass, or a parent class
- The new class is called a derived class, or a subclass, or a child class
- The new class will typically redefine or add new attributes

Inheritance example

```
# parent class
class User:
    def __init__(self, id):
        self.id = id
    def get_id(self):
        return self.id

# child class
class MovieWatcher(User):
    pass
Let's use it:
m = MovieWatcher(3)
m.get_id()
```

Overriding a method

We can overrite the $__init__$ method to provide special functionality when creating a MovieWatcher object.

```
class User:
    def __init__(self, id):
        self.id = id
    def get_id(self):
        return self.id

class MovieWatcher(User):
    def __init__(self, id):
        # Call the parent class initialization
        User.__init__(self, id)
        # MovieWatcher specific initialization
        self.avgmovieranking = -1.
        self.movies = {}
```

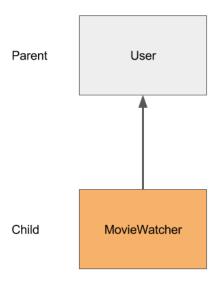


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Sibling classes

Multiple classes can inherit from a base class:

```
class User:
    def __init__(self, id):
        self.id = id
    def get_id(self):
        return self.id
class MovieWatcher(User):
    def __init__(self, id):
        # Call the parent class initialization
        User.__init__(self, id)
        # MovieWatcher specific initialization
        self.avgmovieranking = -1.
        self.movies = {}
class CookieEater(User):
    def __init__(self, id):
        # Call the parent class initialization
        User.__init__(self, id)
        # CookieEater specific initialization
        self.cookieseaten = 0
        self.cookies = {}
```

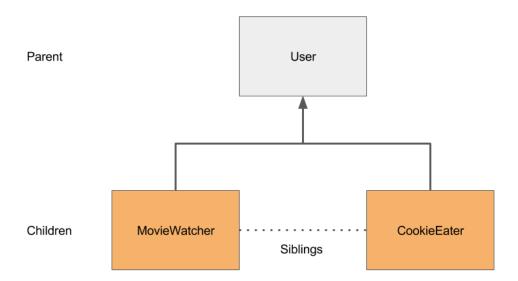


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Polymorphism

- Different types of objects have methods with the same name that take the same arguments
- Programmer does not need to know the exact type of an object for common operations
- Typically the objects inherit from the same parent class

Shapes

```
code/shapes.py:
import math
class Shape:
   def GetArea(self):
       raise RuntimeError("Not implemented yet")
class Circle(Shape):
   def __init__ (self, x, y, radius):
       self.x = x
       self.y = y
        self.radius = radius
   def GetArea(self):
       area = math.pi * math.pow(self.radius, 2)
       return area
class Rectangle(Shape):
   def __init__ (self, x0, y0, x1, y1):
        self.x0 = x0
       self.y0 = y0
        self.x1 = x1
        self.y1 = y1
   def GetArea(self):
        xDistance = self.x1 - self.x0
        yDistance = self.y1 - self.y0
       return abs(xDistance * yDistance)
shapes = []
shapes.append(Circle(0., 0., 1.0))
shapes.append(Rectangle(0., 0., 2., 4.))
for shape in shapes:
   print("area = {}".format(shape.GetArea()))
```

OOP Summary

- Abstraction
- Represent things in a form familiar to humans
- Encapsulation
- Restrict access to internal data by providing interfaces

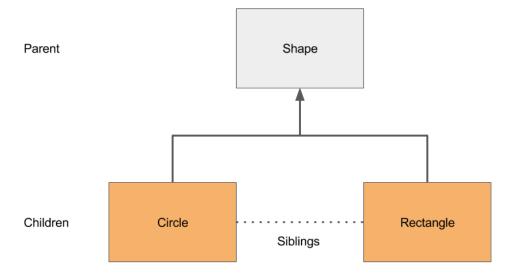


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- Inheritance
- Parent / child classes for code reuse
- Polymorphism
- Share method names and arguments across (sibling) classes