

Welcome to this CoGrammar Tutorial: Class Inheritance and Multi-Dimensional Lists

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Fulfil 4 Criteria to Graduation

✓ Criterion 1: Initial Requirements

- **Guided Learning Hours (GLH):**
Minimum of 15 hours
- **Task Completion:** First 4 tasks

Due Date: 24 March 2024

✓ Criterion 2: Mid-Course Progress

- **Guided Learning Hours (GLH):**
Minimum of 60 hours
- **Task Completion:** First 13 tasks

Due Date: 28 April 2024



Skills Bootcamp Progression Overview

✓ Criterion 3: Course Progress

- **Completion:** All mandatory tasks, including Build Your Brand and resubmissions by study period end
- **Interview Invitation:** Within 4 weeks post-course
- **Guided Learning Hours:** Minimum of 112 hours by support end date (10.5 hours average, each week)

✓ Criterion 4: Demonstrating Employability

- **Final Job or Apprenticeship Outcome:** Document within 12 weeks post-graduation
- **Relevance:** Progression to employment or related opportunity

Learning Objectives & Outcomes

- Implement and utilise the principles of inheritance within projects
- Implement multiple inheritances
- Utilise method overriding
- Incorporate special methods in classes including operator overloading
- Implement the different lists operations
- Implement 1D and higher dimensional lists

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Class Inheritance

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Inheritance



What is Inheritance?

- Sometimes we require a class with the **same attributes** and **properties** as another class but we want to **extend** some of the behaviour or **add** more attributes.
- By using **inheritance** we can create a new class with all the properties and attributes of a **base class** instead of having to redefine them.

Inheritance...

- **Parent/Base class**
 - The parent or base class contains all the attributes and properties we want to inherit.
- **Child/Subclass**
 - The child or sub class will inherit all the attributes and properties of the parent class.

Method Overriding

- We can override methods in our subclass to either extend or change the behaviour of a method.
- To apply method overriding you simply need to define a method with the same name as the method you would like to override.
- To extend functionality of a method instead of completely overriding we can use the `super()` function.

Super()

- The `super()` function allows us to access the attributes and properties of our Parent/Base class.
- Using `super()` followed by a dot “.” we can call to the methods that reside inside our base class.
- When extending functionality of a method we would first want to call the base class method and then add the extended behaviour.

Methods overriding and Super()

Here we call `__init__()` from the `Person` class to set the values for the attributes “name” and “age”.

```
class Person:
    def __init__(self, name, age):
        self.name = name
        self.age = age

class Student(Person):
    def __init__(self, name, age):
        super().__init__(name, age)
        self.grades = []
```

Methods overriding and Super()

```
class BaseClass:
    # Base class definition
    def print_name(self):
        print(self.name)

class SubClass(BaseClass):
    # Subclass definition
    def print_name(self):
        print("Code before base method call.")
        super().print_name()
        print("Code after base method call.")
```

Multiple Inheritance

- Python allows multiple inheritance as well.
- This means we can have a subclass that inherits attributes and properties from more than one base class.

```
class BaseClass:
    # Base class definition
    pass

class BaseClassA:
    # Base class definition
    pass

class SubClass(BaseClass, BaseClassA):
    # Subclass definition
    pass
```


Special Methods



Instantiation: `__init__()`

- The first special method you have seen and used is `__init__()`.
- We use this method to **initialize** our **instance variables** and run any **setup code** when an object is being created.
- The method is automatically **called** when using the **class constructor** and the **arguments** for the method are the **values** given in the **class constructor**.

__init__()

```
class Student:

    def __init__(self, fullname, student_number):
        self.fullname = fullname
        self.student_number = student_number

new_student = Student("John McClane", "DH736648")
```

Representation: Objects As Strings

- You have probably noticed when using `print()` that some **objects** are **represented differently** than others.
- Some **dictionaries** and **list** have `{}` and `[]` in the representation and when we print an **objects** we get a memory address `<__main__.Person object at 0x000001EBCA11E650>`
- We can set the **string representations** for our objects to whatever we like using either `__repr__()` or `__str__()`

__str__()

- This method return a **representation** for your object when the **str()** function is called.
- When your object is used in the **print** function it will automatically try to **cast** your object to a **string** and will then **receive** the **representation** returned by **__str__()**
- This is usually a **representation** that users **will** see.

__str__()

```
class Student:

    def __init__(self, fullname, student_number):
        self.fullname = fullname
        self.student_number = student_number

    def __str__(self):
        return f"Fullname:\t{self.fullname}\nStudent Num:\t{self.student_number}\n"

new_student = Student("Percy Jackson", "PJ323423")
print(new_student)
```

Operator Overloading: Math

- Special methods also allow us to **set the behaviour** for **mathematical** operations such as **+**, **-**, *****, **/**, ******
- Using these methods we can **determine how** the **operators** will be **applied** to our objects.
- E.g. When trying to **add two** of your **objects**, **x** and **y**, together **python** will try to **invoke** the **`__add__()`** special method that sits inside your object **x**. The code inside **`__add__()`** will then **determine how** your objects will be **added together** and returned.

Operator Overloading: Example

```
class MyNumber:

    def __init__(self, value):
        self.value = value

    def __add__(self, other):
        return MyNumber(self.value + other.value)

num1 = MyNumber(10)
num2 = MyNumber(5)
num3 = num1 + num2
print(num3.value) # Output: 15
```

Comparators

- The last special methods we will look at are **comparators**.
- We will use these methods to **set** the **behaviour** when we try to **compare** our **objects** to determine which one is smaller or larger or are they equal.
- E.g. When trying to see if object x is **greater than** object y. The **method** `x.__gt__(y)` will be called to **determine** the **result**. We can then set the behaviour of `__gt__()` inside our class.
- `x > y -> x.__gt__(y)`

Comparators: Example

```
class Student:

    def __init__(self, fullname, student_number, average):
        self.fullname = fullname
        self.student_number = student_number
        self.average = average

    def __gt__(self, other):
        return self.average > other.average

student1 = Student("Peter Parker", "PP734624", 88)
student2 = Student("Tony Stark", "TS23425", 85)
print(student1 > student2) # Output: True
```

Addressing Container-Like Objects

- Using special methods we can also incorporate **behaviour** that we see in **container-like** objects such as iterating, indexing, adding and removing items, and getting the length.
- E.g. When we try to **get** an **item** from a list the special method **`__getitem__(self, key)`** is called. We can then **override** the **behaviour** of the method to **return** the **item** we desire.
- Code: **`Object[y]`** -> Executes: **`Object.__getitem__(y)`**

Special Methods Addressing Container-Like Objects

- Some special methods to add for container-like objects are:
 - Length -> `__len__(self)`
 - Get Item -> `__getitem__(self, key)`
 - Set Item -> `__setitem__(self, key, item)`
 - Contains -> `__contains__(self, item)`
 - Iterator -> `__iter__(self)`
 - Next -> `__next__(self)`

Let's get coding!



Questions and Answers



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break**



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Multidimensional Lists

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What are Lists?

- Picture **organizing your bookshelf** with various genres of books. In Python, **lists act like shelves**, helping you group similar items together. For instance, you can create a list of "fiction" books or "non-fiction" books.
- This makes it easy to **manage and access** your collection efficiently.

Lists Fundamentals

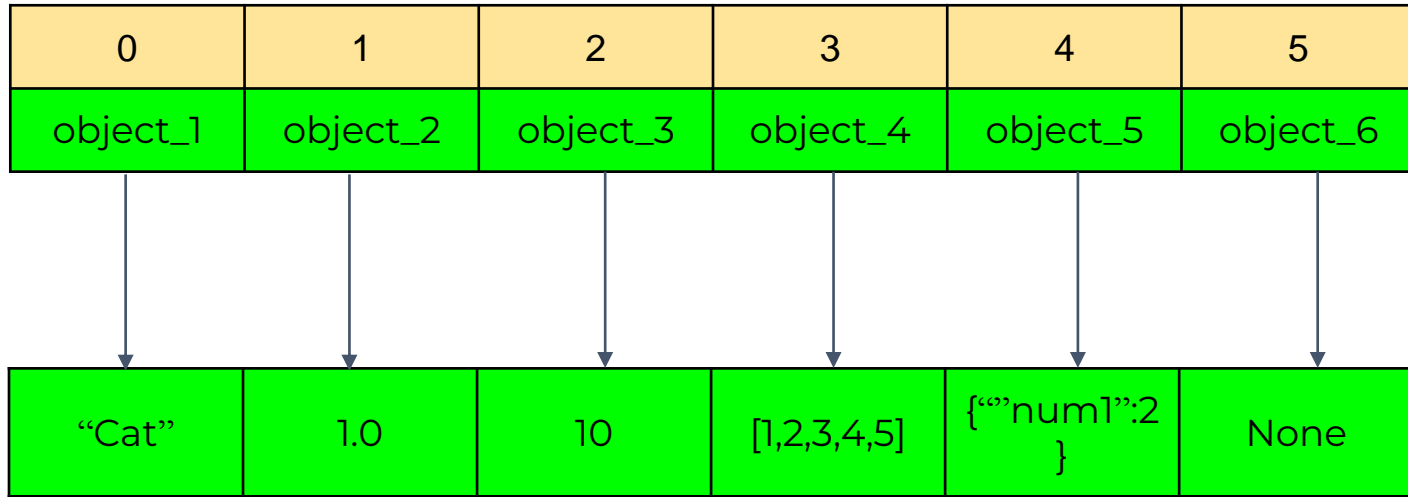


Referential Lists

- As opposed to other programming languages like C++ or Java, **Python can receive various variable types in the same list.**
- Each cell in a list, stores the reference of each item inserted in it. Then inserting, retrieving and removing are done in quick time.

0	1	2	3	4	5
"Cat"	1.0	10	[1,2,3,4,5]	{"num1":2}	None

Referential Lists



Definitions

- **A container** is a construct used to group related values together and contains references to other objects instead of data.
- **A list** is a container created by surrounding a dynamically typed sequence of variables or literals with brackets `[]` or `list()`.
- **An element** is a list item.
- **Index** in a list refers to the position of an element within the list.
Usually starts from 0
- **Mutability** is the ability to modify a data structure at runtime.
A list is a mutable data structure in Python.

1D Lists



1D Lists: Definition

A list is a container created by surrounding a dynamically typed sequence of variables or literals with brackets `[]` or `list()`.

```
myList = ["cat", 1.0, 10, [1,2,3,4,5], {"num1":2}, None]
```

`myList[2]` is 10

10 is at index 2

```
my_list = [] #or my_list = list() #creates an empty list
```

1D Lists: Operations

Adding an element in a list: **append()**

`my_list = list()`

→ Empty list

To add **3** to the list, then **5**

`my_list.append(3)`

→ 3 added to list

0
3

`my_list.append(5)`

→ 5 added to list

0	1
3	5

1D Lists: Operations

Removing an element in a list: **pop()**

```
my_list = list()
```

To add **3** to the list, then **5**

```
my_list.append(3)
```

```
my_list.append(5)
```

```
my_list.pop() # => returns 5
```

0	1
3	5

0
3

1D Lists: Operations

Updating a cell in a list: **update**

```
my_list = list()
```

To add **3** to the list, then **5**

```
my_list.append(3)
```

```
my_list.append(5)
```

```
my_list.pop() # => returns 5
```

```
My_list[0] = "house"
```

0	1
3	5

0
3

0
"house"

1D Lists: Operations

Extending the list: `extend()`

```
my_list[0] = "house"
```

```
your_list = ["Monday", True]
```

0
"house"

Beware!

`extend()` is an **inplace** function

```
my_list.extend(your_list)
```

0	1	2
"house"	"Monday"	True

1D Lists: Operations

Extending the list: + (extend)

```
my_list[0] = "house"
```

```
your_list = ["Monday", True]
```

0
"house"

Beware!

+ is not an **inplace** operation

```
new_list = my_list + your_list
```

0	1	2
"house"	"Monday"	True

2D Lists



2D Lists: Definitions

Definitions

- A 2D list is an extension of a 1D List
- Each cell is an object referring to another list
- Two-dimensional lists, often referred to as 2D lists or matrices
- Nested Lists – List in a list

2D Lists: Operations

Access

```
>> new_list = [[1.0,"cat",3], [4,"fish",6], [7,"hen",9.0]]
```

- In 2D lists, we have 2 indices
- 1 index for the row
- 1 index for the column

To access "fish"

```
>> new_list[1][1]
```

	0	1	2
0	1.0	"cat"	3
1	4	"fish"	6
2	7	"hen"	9.0

3D Lists



3D Lists: Operations

Access

```
>> new_list = [  
    ['#', '#', '#'], ['#', '#', '#'], ['#', '#', '#'],  
    ['#', '#', '#'], ['#', '#', '#'], ['#', '#', '#'],  
    ['#', '#', '#'], ['#', '#', '#'], ['#', '#', '#']  
]
```

- In 3D lists, we have 3 indices
- 1 index for the row
- 1 index for the column
- 1 index for the third axis

matrix_item = [row_index][column_index][last_index]

Let's get coding!



Questions and Answers



Summary: Inheritance

- **Inheritance** is a fundamental concept in object-oriented programming (OOP) where a new class (subclass or derived class) is created from an existing class (superclass or base class).
- **Inheritance** facilitates code reuse and promotes the organization of code by allowing subclasses to inherit attributes and behaviours (methods) from their superclass.
- Understanding **inheritance** is crucial for effective object-oriented design and programming, as it forms the foundation for building modular, scalable, and maintainable software systems.

Summary: MD Lists

- **A list** is a container created by surrounding a dynamically typed list sequence of variables or literals with brackets `[]` or `list()`.
- **Lists** operations include:
 - `append()`
 - `pop()`
 - `extend()`
- **Dimensionality** can be 1D, 2D, 3D and even deeper dimensions.

Thank you for attending



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