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# Object Oriented Programming

Solving a problem by creating objects is one of the most popular approaches in programming. This is called object oriented programming.

This concept focuses on using reusable code.

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Implements DRY principle

## Class

A class is a blueprint for creating objects.

combines info  
to create a  
valid application

Blank  
form

⇒ filled by an  
student ⇒

Application  
of the  
student

[Class] ⇒ object instantiation ⇒ [Object]



Combining info to  
create a valid object

The syntax of a class looks like this:

```
class Employee:
    # methods and variables
```

[classname is written in  
Pascal case]

## Object

An object is an instantiation of a class. When class is defined, a template (info) is defined. Memory is allocated only after object instantiation.

Objects of a given class can invoke the methods available to it without revealing the implementation details to the user.

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Abstraction & Encapsulation

## Modelling a problem in OOPs

We identify the following in our problem

Noun → Class → Employee  
Adjective → Attributes → name, age, salary  
Verbs → Methods → getSalary(), increment()

## Class Attributes

An Attributes that belongs to the class rather than a particular object.

Example :

```
class Employee:
```

```
    company = "Google" → specific to each class
```

```
Abhi = Employee() → object instantiation
```

```
Abhi.company
```

```
Employee.company = "YouTube"
```

↳ Changing class attributes



## Instance Attributes

An attributes that belongs to the Instance (Object) assuming the class from the previous example.

Abhi.name = "Abhi"

Abhi.name = "Abhi"  
Abhi.salary = "30k" → adding instance attributes

Note: Instance attributes take preference over class attributes during assignment & retrieval.

Abhi attribute1  $\rightarrow$  ① Is attribute1 present in object?  
② Is attribute1 present in class?

## 'self' Parameter

Self refers to the instance of the class. It is automatically passed with a function call from an object.

Abhi.getSalary() → Here self is Abhi.

↳ equivalent to `Employee.getSalary`  
(Abhi)

The function getsalary is defined as:

```
class Employee:
```

Company = "Google"

```
def getSalary(self):
```

```
print("Salary is not there")
```

## Static Method

Sometime we need a function that doesn't use the self parameter, we can define a static method like this:

```
@staticmethod  
def greet():  
    print("Hello namisha")
```

→ decorator to mark greet as a static method

--init--() Constructor

--init--() is a special method which is first run as soon as the object is created.  
--init--() method is also known as constructor

It takes self argument and can also take further arguments.

Example:

Class Employee:

def \_\_init\_\_(self, name):

self.name = name

def getSalary(self):

obj1 = Employee("Abhi")

↳ Object can be instantiated using constructor like this!





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## Practice Set

Ques 1. Create a class programmer for storing information of few programmers working at microsoft.

Ques 2. Write a class calculator capable of finding square, cube and square root of a number.

Ques 3. Create a class with a class attribute 'a', create an object from it and set a directly using object.a = 0. Does this change the class attribute?

Ques 4. Add a static method in problem 2 to greet the user with "Hello".

Ques 5. Write a class train which has methods to book a ticket, get status (no of seats) and get fare information of trains running under Indian Railways

Ques 6. Can you change the self parameter inside a class to something else (say 'Abhi')? Try changing self to 'self' or 'obj' and see the effects.