# **CLASSES**

# MULTIPLE INHERITANCE & ABSTRACT CLASSES

#### Overview:

• learn multiple inheritance and abstract classes

#### Cube Class

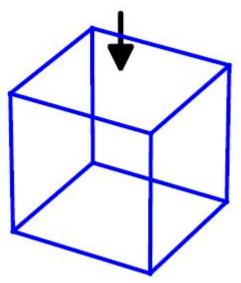
```
class Cube:
    def __init__(self, side = 1):
        self.__side = side

def __str__(self):
    return 'cube with side {}'\
        .format(self.__side)

def volume(self):
    return self.__side ** 3
```

- similar to *Sphere* class
- $\bullet$  methods: volume() and  $\_str_-()$

# Cube Class blue\_cube



```
blue_cube = Cube(1)
red_ball = Sphere(1)
print('blue cube is ', blue_cube)
print('red ball is ', red_ball)
print('blue_cube volume: ', blue_cube.volume())
print('red ball volume: ', red_ball.volume())
```

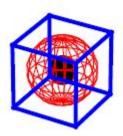
blue cube is cube with side 1 blue\_cube volume: 1

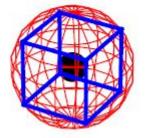
## Multiple Inheritance

- allowed in Python (as in C++)
- not allowed in Java/C
- subclass inherits methods from all parents

sphere\_in\_cube

cube\_in\_sphere





#### Class Details

```
import math

class Cube_in_Sphere(Cube, Sphere):
    def __init__(self, side =1):
        radius = side * math.sqrt(3.0)
        Cube.__init__(self, side)
        Sphere.__init__(self, radius)

class Sphere_in_Cube(Sphere, Cube):
    def __init__(self, side = 1):
        Cube.__init__(self, side)
        Sphere.__init__(self, side)
```

- inherit all methods from all parents classes
- how to resolve name conflicts?

#### Which Method is Used?

```
x = Cube_in_Sphere(1)
y = Sphere_in_Cube(1)
print('x is ',x, ' volume:', x.volume())
print('y is ',y, ' volume:', y.volume())

x is cube with side 1 volume: 1
y is sphere with radius 1 volume: 4.19
```

 determined by order of parent classes

```
class Cube_in_Sphere(Cube, Sphere):
class Sphere_in_Cube(Sphere, Cube)
```

• first found method is used

#### Abstract Class

- new class *Shape*
- contains *Sphere* and *Sphere*
- may add other classes like *Cylinder* or *Pyramid*
- can define it as abstract class

```
class Shape:
    def __init__(self, r):
        self.r = r

    def volume(self):
        raise NotImplementedError

class Cube(Shape):
class Sphere(Shape):
class Cylinder(Shape):
class Pyramid(shape):
```

# Exercise(s):

- define a class Cylinder
   derived from both Cube and
   Circle
- base has radius r from circle
- $\bullet$  height h is side from cube
- write code for its volume and (surface) area

Volume = 
$$\pi r^2 h$$
  
Area =  $2\pi r(r+h)$ 

## Summary:

- classes are user-defined types
- classes have methods
- details of implementation are hidden
- can overload standard operators ("magic" functions)
- new classes can be constructed through inheritance
- same functionality via polymorphism