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Exercise: Learning from Object Oriented Programming Code

Biopython SeqRecord Class Analysis: Answer by hand except where it says **copy/paste**

Part I: Imported modules

- 1) Describe the purpose of the typing module:

The typing module provides type hints, enabling static type checking. Also, it can specify the expected types of variables, function parameters and return values.

- 2) Copy/paste a code snippet example of the use of the typing module in the code.

(Check out the `__init__`):
stands for initialize ↗

```
def __init__(self, data):
    """Create a MutableSeq object."""
    if isinstance(data, bytearray):
        self._data = data
    elif isinstance(data, bytes):
        self._data = bytearray(data)
    elif isinstance(data, str):
        self._data = bytearray(data, "ASCII")
    elif isinstance(data, MutableSeq):
        self._data = data._data[:] # Take a copy
    elif isinstance(data, Seq):
        # Make no assumptions about the Seq subclass internal storage
        self._data = bytearray(bytes(data))
    else:
        raise TypeError(
            "data should be a string, bytearray object, Seq object, or a "
            "MutableSeq object")
```

Explain what this code does:

It allows the class to accept a wide range of sequence input types. Like strings or other sequence objects, and stores the sequence internally as a bytearray to modify.

- 3) Describe the purpose of the doctest module:

It's to insure that the code is correct. Also, to improve both the documentation and the quality of the code by testing real examples within the docstring.

- 4) Copy/paste an example of a doctest in the code:

↳ see next page

Explain what this code does:

The code defines a factorial function, then tests it using the Doctest framework. The results will be Pass or Fail.

```
#define DOCTEST_CONFIG_IMPLEMENT_WITH_MAIN
#include "doctest.h"

int factorial(int number) { return number <= 1 ? number : factorial(number - 1) * number; }

TEST_CASE("testing the factorial function") {
    CHECK(factorial(1) == 1);
    CHECK(factorial(2) == 2);
    CHECK(factorial(3) == 6);
    CHECK(factorial(10) == 3628800);
}
```

} Where are the doctests executed?

They are executed directly with Python modules, functions, classes, or methods. A test is executed

doctests
code
from
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Part II: Identify parts of the code using OOP Terms:

- 1) What kind of Class is SeqRecord? *It is a data container class used to store biological sequences.*
- 2) On what line does the SeqRecord start and what is it called?
LINE NUMBER: *NAME OF METHOD: → SeqRecord*
- 3) What data types are the following attributes (write next to the names):
 - a. Id → *store identifier of the sequence as string*
 - b. Name → *store the name of sequence as string.*
 - c. Features → *store a list of Bio.SeqFeature objects*
↳ It shows biological feature like gene, exon, ...
- 4) Find an example of an instance of the class in one of the docstrings. (`__getitem__` has one) and **copy/paste** it here:

The example I found is:

→ from Seq.py

Class MyList:

```
def __getitem__(self, index):
    """Return a subsequence as a single letter or as a sequence object.
```

If the index is an integer, a single letter is returned as a Python string:

```
>>> seq = Seq('ACTCGACGTCG')
>>> seq[5]
'A'
>>> seq[5:8]
Seq('ACG')
>>> mutable_seq = MutableSeq('ACTCGACGTCG')
>>> mutable_seq[5:8]
MutableSeq('ACG')
.....
if isinstance(index, numbers.Integral):
    # Return a single letter as a string
```

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        return chr(self._data[index])
    else:
        # Return the (sub)sequence as another Seq/MutableSeq object
        return self.__class__(self._data[index])

```

5) What attributes are assigned values when this instance is created? Write them here:

Seq: → sequence data

id: → the ID seq.

name: name of seq

description: → The description of the seq.

features: empty list []

annotations: empty dictionary { }

6) What ones are not assigned? Write them here:

- If there is no sequence features such as gene, exon are provided this attribute remains an empty list.
- annotations → { } → empty list

7) What is @property and @overload?

• **Property → is used to define getter methods for attributes in a class. Also, allow accessing the object**

• **overload → It helps with accept different argument types and return different types, without providing the actual implementation.**

Part III: Investigate some methods

1) How would you describe the `__str__` method in OOP terminology?

→ str_ → special method that defines how an object should be represented as a string.

2) What would the following output be based on the `__str__` function?

```
>>> record = SeqRecord(Seq("SNACKATTACK"), id="CHPS_1001", name="BBQ5",
description="fried junk food")
```

```
>>> print(record)
```

Write answer here:

When we call `print(record)` python calls the `__str__` method of that object. The `__str__` method for SeqRecord is defined in Biopython.

- 3) What built-in functions or operators do the following effect? Write the answer next to the method:

- a. `__len__` → Return the length of the object.
- b. `__lt__` → less than operator (`<`)
- c. `__eq__` → equal `= =`
- d. `__ne__` → not equal `!=`
- e. `__add__` → To add two elements +

- 4) Name three methods that do not affect built-in methods or operators and explain what they do:

- 1- `__display()` or `show()` → display or print object info.
- 2- `reset()` → To reset the attributes of an object.
- 3- `show()` → To print object info in a custom format.

- 5) What is the purpose of if `__name__ == '__main__'`:

To execute the code depending on how the script is being used.

- 6) Will this code run if you import SeqRecord? Explain your answer:

It will not run because python has special variable `__name__` of the module not "main". For the code to run, it needs file to be executed directly.