

ASSIGNMENT 3

QUESTION 1. What is the concept of an abstract superclass?

ANSWER :

An abstract superclass can force its child class to create a set of methods, which are defined in superclass using `@abstractmethod` decorator.

For example:

```
from abc import ABC, abstractmethod

class Shape(ABC):
    @abstractmethod
    def printarea(self):
        return 0

class Square(Shape):
    def __init__(self, length):
        self.length = length

    def printarea(self):
        return self.length ** 2

b = Square(5)
print(b.printarea()) -->25
```

QUESTION 2. What happens when a class statement's top level contains a basic assignment statement?

ANSWER :

When a basic assignment statement appears at the top level of a class statement, it treats it like a class attribute. Like all class attributes, this will be shared by all instances; data attributes are not callable method functions, though.

```
class Books:
    pages = 100

X = Books()
Y = Books()
print(X.pages) -->100
print(Y.pages) -->100
```

QUESTION 3. Why does a class need to manually call a superclass's `__init__` method?

ANSWER :

When we define an `__init__()` method for a child class, we're replacing the `__init__()` method of its parent class, and the `__init__()` method from the parent class is not called automatically anymore. Therefore, a child class needs to manually call a superclass's `__init__` method using `super` function if it needs to use superclass attributes.

QUESTION 4. How can you augment, instead of completely replacing, an inherited method?

ANSWER :

To augment instead of completely replacing an inherited method, we redefine the method with the same name in a subclass, then by using the `super()` we can use the attributes we need and we can create new attributes as well.

For example, we can see the method `info` has been inherited from `data` class into `newdata` class and has been augmented by adding the `lastname` attribute to it.

```
class data:
    def info(self, name):
        self.name = name
        self.age = 100

class newdata(data):
    def info(self, name, lastname):
        super().info(name)
        self.lastname = lastname

a = newdata()
a.info('Gaurav', 'Rajput')
print(a.name)
print(a.age)
print(a.lastname)
```

OUTPUT:

Gaurav

100

Rajput

QUESTION 5. How is the local scope of a class different from that of a function?

ANSWER :

- When a variable is defined inside a function, it is available for use within the function only, hence the local scope.
- In case of class, as soon as the compiler reads the keyword `class` a new namespace is created, and used as the local scope and all assignments to local variables go into this new namespace.
- In the example below, `obj = MyClass()` creates a new *instance* of the class and assigns this object to the *local variable* `obj`.

For example,

```
class MyClass:
    var1 = 'Class attribute var1 of Class_Local_Scope.MyClass'
    def __init__(self, var2):
        self.var2 = var2
        self.var3 = 'Instance attribute var3 of Class_Local_Scope.MyClass'
        var4 = 'This variable is local to __init__ of MyClass'
        print(var4)

    def printdata(self):
        print(MyClass.var1)
        print(self.var2)
```

```
print(self.var3)
```

```
obj = MyClass('Instance attribute var2 of Class_Local_Scope.MyClass')  
# print(obj.var1)  
# print(obj.var2)  
# print(obj.var3)  
obj.printdata()
```

OUTPUT:

```
This variable is local to __init__ of MyClass  
Class attribute var1 of Class_Local_Scope.MyClass  
Instance attribute var2 of Class_Local_Scope.MyClass  
Instance attribute var3 of Class_Local_Scope.MyClass
```