Object-Oriented Programming

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Problem of Bugs

- According to some studies¹
 - Industry average: about 15-50 errors happened per 1000 lines of code(LOC)
 - Microsoft Applications: about 10-20 defects per 1000 LOC during in house testing, & 0.5 defect per 1000 LOC
- In order to reduce number of bugs in our software, one way is to develop based on established, thoroughly tested and debugged code

1. Code Complete: A Practical Handbook of Software Construction, Second Edition 2nd Edition Steve McConnelMicrosoft Press; 2nd edition (June 19, 2004)

Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)

- One of the most popular programming paradigms
- OOP emphasize the concept of software reuse once a certain program is being written, later others can build a new
 prototype base on current one with minimal modification

- Or think of building many identical flats with basic functions such as water, electricity
- New tenants can customize each flat into their own preferred style with different paints, furniture, carpets etc.

Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)

- Most important concept is "classes"
- Class: a way to combine both data(variables) and behaviour(functions) within a construct, think of template/blueprint
- We use an example of creating a rocket ship in a physics simulation
- Let say we want to track (x,y) coordinates of the rocket

```
# Rocket is a class which simulates a rocket ship
    class Rocket():
       def __init__(self): # Each rocket has an (x,y) position, and init to 0
            self.x = 0
           self.y = 0
6
       def move up(self): # a method which moves the rocket ship up by 1 unit
            self.y = self.y + 1
9
   # One can *instantiate* an instance of the Rocket class
10
11
   my rocket = Rocket() # instantiate an instance
12
   # my rocket has a copy of each of the class's variables,
13
   # and it can do any action that is defined for the class.
14
    print(my_rocket) # shows that my_rocket is stored at a particular location
    print('my_rocket x is = ', my_rocket.x, ", my rocket y is = ", my_rocket.y)
```

OOP Concepts

- Classes are the core component of OOP
- When we want to use a class in one of your programs, we create an object (or instance) from that class
- OOP Terms
 - Attribute
 a piece of information or data within a class. E.g., x and y in Rocket().
 - Behavior/Method an action that defined within a class. E.g., mov_up() in Rocket().
 - **Object :** a particular instance of a class. E.g., my_rocket

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```

Behavior/Method declarations

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   my rocket = Rocket() # instantiate an instance
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13
   # and it can do any action that is defined for the class.
    print(my rocket) # shows that my_rocket is stored at a particular location
14
    print('my rocket x is = ', my rocket.x, ", my rocket y is = ", my rocket.y)
```

Attributes declarations

```
# Let's see how we can invoke the class's method
3
   my_rocket = Rocket() # instantiate an instance
4
   for counter in range(3):
       my rocket.move up() # invoke class function
6
   print('my_rocket x is = ', my_rocket.x, ", my rocket y is = ", my_rocket.y)
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
```

```
my_rocket x is = 0 , my rocket y is = 3
```

```
# The following code shows that one can create **multiple instances** of
   # Create a fleet of 5 rockets, and store them in a list.
3
   my_rockets = []
4
5
   for x in range(0,5): # go through the loop 5 times
6
      new_rocket = Rocket()
      my_rockets.append(new_rocket) # my_rocket contains 5 Rocket instances
9
   # Show that each rocket is a separate object.
   for rocket in my_rockets:
12
      print(rocket)
13
14
15
```

```
<_main__.Rocket object at 0x000001F7ECBB64E0>
<_main__.Rocket object at 0x000001F7ECBB66D8>
<_main__.Rocket object at 0x000001F7ECC16358>
<_main__.Rocket object at 0x000001F7ECC16390>
<_main__.Rocket object at 0x000001F7ECC163C8>
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```

```
# The following code shows a more elegant way to create **multiple instances** # using **list
    comprehension**
3
    # Create a fleet of 5 rockets, and store them in a list:
4
    my_rockets = [Rocket() for x in range(0,5)] # This is a more elegant way #
5
   my_rockets[0].move_up()
6
   my_rockets[1].move_up()
   my_rockets[1].move_up()
   my_rockets[3].move_up()
9
   my_rockets[3].move_up()
    my_rockets[3].move_up()
   my_rockets[4].move_up()
   my_rockets[4].move_up()
   for rocket in my_rockets: # Let's display their y-values
      print('For rocket in memory:', rocket, ', its altitude is: ', rocket.y)
15
```

```
For rocket in memory: <__main__.Rocket object at 0x0000018B732A6588> , its altitude is: 1

For rocket in memory: <__main__.Rocket object at 0x0000018B732A6780> , its altitude is: 2

For rocket in memory: <__main__.Rocket object at 0x0000018B73306400> , its altitude is: 0

For rocket in memory: <__main__.Rocket object at 0x0000018B73306438> , its altitude is: 3

For rocket in memory: <__main__.Rocket object at 0x0000018B73306470> , its altitude is: 2
```

Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)

- We will introduce more concepts through further refine our Rocket class
- When we create our rocket instance, we cannot set the initial value
- __init__ method can be changed to tailor this need

We change it so that new rockets can be initialized at any position.

```
class Rocket():
       def ___init___(self, x=0, y=0): # using keywords with default values
         self.x = x
         self.y = y
       def move_up(self): # Increment the y-position of the rocket.
6
         self.y += 1
    rockets = []
8
    rockets.append(Rocket())
9
    rockets.append(Rocket(0,10))
    rockets.append(Rocket(100,0))
    # Show where each rocket is.
    for index, rocket in enumerate(rockets): # let's look up the documentation
      print("Rocket {} is at ({}, {})." .format (index, rocket.x, rocket.y))
14
15
```

```
Rocket 0 is at (0, 0).
Rocket 1 is at (0, 10).
Rocket 2 is at (100, 0).

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```

```
from math import sqrt
1
        def get_distance(self, other_rocket):
            # Calculates the distance from this rocket to another rocket, and returns that value.
            distance = sqrt((self.x-other_rocket.x)**2+(self.y-other_rocket.y)**2)
4
            return distance
6
    # Make two rockets, at different places.
    rocket_0 = Rocket()
8
    rocket_1 = Rocket(10,5)
9
    # Show the distance between them.
    distance = rocket_0.get_distance(rocket_0)
    print("The rockets are %f units apart." % distance)
    distance = rocket_0.get_distance(rocket_1)
    print("The rockets are %f units apart." % distance)
15
```

The rockets are 0.000000 units apart. The rockets are 11.180340 units apart.

Class variables

- Variables defined at class level are shared by all instances
- Initialization only once
- Variables defined using self are unique to each instance

```
class Rocket:
    count = 0
    def __init__(self):
        Rocket.count = Rocket.count + 1
>>>a = Rocket()
>>>b = Rocket()
>>>print (Rocket.count)
```

Inheritance (OOP)

- We wish to save our programming effort by using existing reliable program
- OOP allows us to reuse code by creating a new class by inheriting from an existing class
- the new class inherits all of the attributes and behavior of old class

- Can override undesirable features as well as create new ones
- but any attributes that are defined in the child class are not available to the parent class

```
from rocket import Rocket
    class Shuttle(Rocket): # Shuttle is a child of the Rocket() class,
                               # x and y are inherited attributes
3
                               # flights completed is new attribute
4
       def ___init___(self, x=0, y=0, flights_completed=0): # this is new init()
5
                                                         # it first calls its super class init()
         super().__init__(x, y)
6
         self.flights_completed = flights_completed # it also does its own initialization
8
    shuttle = Shuttle(10,0,3)
9
    print(shuttle)
    print("This shuttle has x = ", shuttle.x, "y = ", shuttle.y, "# of completed flights ",
    shuttle.flights_completed)
13
14
15
```

More OOP Concepts

- We further illustrate the application of OOP in daily lives
- Consider banking operation, we have accounts opened in bank
- We want to keep track of the balance of the account and be able to withdraw and deposit money into it'

```
class BankAccount(object): # BankAccount is a child of object - base class for all Python class
      def ___init___(self, balance=0):
         self.balance = balance
      def deposit (self, amount):
         self.balance = self.balance + amount
      def withdraw (self, amount):
6
         self.balance = self.balance - amount
      def getBalance(self):
         return self.balance
9
   my_account1 = BankAccount (200)
   # what is the balance in my_account1?
    print ('my_account 1 balance: ', my_account1.getBalance())
   my_account2 = BankAccount ()
   # what is the balance in my_account2?
   print ('my_account 2 balance: ', my_account2.getBalance())
```

```
my_account 1 balance: 200
my_account 2 balance: 0
```

More OOP Concepts

- Objects are internally stored as references
- assigning an object only means its reference being copies

```
husband_account = BankAccount(500)
wife_account = husband_account
wife_account.withdraw(300)
print("hushand account's balance = ", husband_account.balance)
print("wife account's balance = ", wife_account.balance)

rint("wife account's balance = ", wife_account.balance)
```

```
hushand account's balance = 200 wife account's balance = 200 <sub>CSCI2040 INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON</sub>
```

```
class CheckAccount(BankAccount): # CheckAccount, a child of BankAccount, inherits balance
      def ___init___(self, initBal=0):
        BankAccount.__init__(self, initBal) # it first calls its super class init() to set balance
        self.checkRecord = {}
# checkRecord is a new dict attribute
4
      def processCheck(self, number, toWho, amount):
        self.withdraw(amount)
6
        self.checkRecord[number]= (toWho, amount)
      def checkInfo(self, number):
        if number in self.checkRecord:
9
           return self.checkRecord[number]
10
   ca = CheckAccount (1000) # newly created CheckAccount object got balance of 1000
11
    ca.processCheck(100, 'CUHK', 328.)
   ca.processCheck(101, 'HK Electric', 452.)
13
   print('Check 101 has information of: ', ca.checkInfo(101))
   print ('The current balance is: ', ca.getBalance())
   ca.deposit(100)
16
   print('The current balance is: ', ca.getBalance())
    Check 101 has information of: ('HK Electric', 452.0)
   The current balance is: 220. Osci2040 INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON
                                                                                             22
```

320.0

The current balance is:

```
class CheckAccount(BankAccount):
1
      def ___init___(self, initBal=0):
        BankAccount.__init__(self, initBal)
        self.checkRecord = {}
4
      def processCheck(self, number, toWho, amount): # processCheck() is a new behavior
        self.withdraw(amount) # withdraw() is an inherited behavior on reducing balance
6
        self.checkRecord[number]= (toWho, amount)
      def checkInfo(self, number): # checkInfo() is also a new behavior
        if number in self.checkRecord:
9
           return self.checkRecord[number]
10
    ca = CheckAccount (1000)
11
    ca.processCheck(100, 'CUHK', 328.) # balance is reduced by 328, and
   ca.processCheck(101, 'HK Electric', 452.) # then by 452, so balance = 220
    print('Check 101 has information of: ', ca.checkInfo(101))
   print ('The current balance is: ', ca.getBalance())
   ca.deposit(100)
                                   # deposit() is also an inherited behavior for being called
16
   print('The current balance is: ', ca.getBalance())
    Check 101 has information of: ('HK Electric', 452.0)
    The current balance is: 220. Osci2040 INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON
                                                                                            23
   The current balance is:
                                 320.0
```

Overriding

- Sometimes necessary for child class to modify or replace the behavior inherited from parent class
- Child class redefines the function using the same name and arguments
- To invoke original parent class function, class name must be explicitly provided (or using super() in most of the cases)

```
class CheckAccount( BankAccount):
    :
    def withdraw(self, amount):
        print ('withdrawing ', amount)
        BankAccount.withdraw(self, amount)
```

Types & Tests

Each class definition creates a new type

```
>>> print (type(myAccount))
<class ' main .BankAccount'>
>>> print (type(BankAccount))
<type 'type'>

    Test for membership in a class

>>> newAccount = CheckAccount(4000)
>>> sndAccount = BankAccount(100)
>>> print (isinstance(newAccount, BankAccount))
True
>>> print (isinstance(newAccount, CheckAccount))
True
>>> print (isinstance(sndAccount, CheckAccount))
False
```

Types & Tests

• issubclass(A,B) returns true if class A is a subclass of B

```
>>> print (issubclass(CheckAccount, BankAccount))
True
```

Can also perform type checking for built-in types

OOP Application

- Let's try to build a calculator using reverse polish notation (RPN)
- In order for RPN be used, we first need to have a stack
- A stack is a last-in-first-out data structure
- Imagine you want to take a dish from a pile of dishes
- To take the top data from stack is a "pop operation
- To add new data to stack, we have the "push" operation

We also need to implement some housekeeping operations

Stack in OOP

```
class Stack(object):
  def init (self):
    self.storage = []
  def push (self, newValue):
    self.storage.append( newValue )
  def top( self ):
    return self.storage[len(self.storage) - 1]
  def pop( self ):
    result = self.top()
    self.storage.pop()
    return result
  def isEmpty(self):
    return len(self.storage) == 0
```

```
stackOne = Stack()
stackTwo = Stack()
stackOne.push(12)
stackTwo.push( 'abc' )
stackOne.push( 23 )
print(stackOne.top())
>>> 23
stackOne.pop()
print(stackOne.top())
>>>12
print(stackTwo.top())
>>> 'abc'
```

Using stack to build a calculator

```
class CalculatorEngine(object):
    def init (self):
      self.dataStack = Stack()
    def pushOperand (self, value):
      self.dataStack.push( value )
    def currentOperand ( self ):
      return self.dataStack.top()
    def doAddition (self ):
      right = self.dataStack.pop()
      left = self.dataStack.pop()
      self.dataStack.push(left + right)
# ...
# similarly for doSubtraction, doMultiplication and doDivision
```

Using stack to build a calculator

```
def doTextOp (self, op):
    if (op == '+'): self.doAddition()
    elif (op == '-'): self.doSubtraction()
    elif (op == '*'): self.doMultiplication()
    elif (op == '/'): self.doDivision()
calc = CalculatorEngine()
calc.pushOperand( 3 )
calc.pushOperand(4)
calc.doTextOp('*')
print (calc.currentOperand() )
```

Revisit

Identifiers in Program

- Names of variables, functions, modules can collide with others same name used unintentionally (Python allows this)
- Managed using name spaces
- Encapsulation of names through levels of abstraction
- Three levels of encapsulation
 - LEGB rule for simple variables
 - Qualified names
 - modules

Scopes, Names, and References

- Scope is property of a name, not a property of a value
- Two names can refer to the same value, and they have different scopes

```
class Box(object):
    def init ( self, v):
        self.value = v
def newScope(x):
    y = x
    y.value = 42
a = Box(3)
newScope(a)
print (a.value)
>>>42
```

Qualified Names

- A period following a base e.g. object.attribute
- Base is first determined using LEGB rule
- Names can be qualified include
 - Classes
 - Instances or objects
 - Instances of built-in types e.g. list, dictionary
 - Modules

Qualified Names

- Names resolution are performed using dictionaries
- locals() and globals() return the current scope through dictionary
- Classes store their name space in a field __dict__
- Can be accessed (or modified!) by programmer

```
>>> Rocket.__dict___
{'count': 2, '__module__': '__main__', '__doc__':
    None, '__init__': <function __init__ at
    0x00FDE4F0>}
```

Module

- Just like library
- Can have two ways when used:
 - import modName
 - from modName import attribute
- For second way of using module
 - Means construct the module dictionary, the given attribute is then copied into local dictionary
 - Thus the attribute can be used without qualification in local space

Module

- Suppose we want to use bar method in module foo
- import foo
- .. Then use foo.bar to use it
- Two run-time lookups needed in this case :
 - 1. locate foo,
 - 2. locate bar
- from foo import bar
- bar is called directly without qualification
- Only One search required
- More execution efficiency

Avoid Name Space collision

- Can use wild card '*' to import from mod import *
- Has risk of name collision

```
>>> from math import *
>>> print(e)
2.71828182846
```

Can Use as clause to avoid

```
>>> e = 42
>>> from math import e as eConst
>>> e
42
```

Modules

- Simply a Python file
- Only the handling of names in modules differs
- Import statement scans a file and execute each statement in program
- Names of all values in module are stored in its own dictionary
- Thus the qualified name modName.x is actually just modName.__dict__['x']

```
>>> import math
>>> print( type(math) )
<class 'module'>
>>> print( math.__dict__['sqrt'] )
<built-in function sqrt>
```

Creating your own module

- Just another Python program
- Only difference is it is being loaded by import statement
- Normally contains only classes and function definitions
- Can also have statements inside be executed
- Name of current module is held in internal variable called __name___
- Top level program executed by Python interpreter is of the name main
- Can use the following to conditionally executing those statements

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
```

.. statements

Appendix

Class scope

- Class has its scope, but not part of LEGB
- A class method can see their surrounding scope, but cannot see the class scope
- Normally it's okay as classes defined at top level

```
def silly():
    x = 12
    class A:
        x = 42  # class variable
        def foo(self):
            print (x)
            print (self.x)  #
        return A()
anA = silly()
anA.foo()
>>> 12
42
```

Multiple Inheritance

- Class definition specify inheritance from more than one class
- Not recommended

```
class A(object):
    def doa(self):
        print ("I'm a")
class B (object):
    def dob(self):
        print ("I'm b")
class C(A,B):
    def doc(self):
        print ("I'm c")
>>> v=C()
>>> v.doc()
I'm c
>>> v.doa()
I'm a
>>> v.dob()
I'm b
```