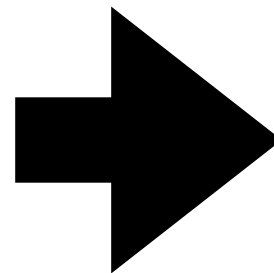


[320] Object Oriented Programming

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Creating New Types

CLASSES AND OTHER TYPES



OBJECTS



Classes


dicts can represent many kinds of things

classes (today) are often a better option
when all your keys are the same

```
m1 = {...}
```

```
m2 = {...}
```

create some objects
of type **dict** for **movies**



```
p1 = {}
```

```
p2 = {}
```

```
p3 = dict()
```

create some objects
of type **dict** for **people**



set some keys/values



```
p1["Fname"] = "Joseph"
```

```
p2["fname"] = "Peyman"
```

```
p3["fname"] = "Shri Shruthi"
```

```
print(type(m1))
```

```
print(type(p1))
```

```
class Person:  
    pass
```

← create a Person
type/class

```
p1 = Person()  
p2 = Person()  
p3 = Person()
```

← create some objects
of type Person

```
p1.Fname = "Joseph"  
p2.fname = "Peyman"  
p3.fname = "Shri Shruthi"
```

← set some attributes

```
print(type(p3))
```

Objects created from classes are mutable.
Attribute names are not fixed at creation.

PythonTutor: Compare dicts to class types

Python 3.6
[known limitations](#)

```
1 p1 = {"x": 4, "y": 5}
2
3 class Coord:
4     pass
5
6 p2 = Coord()
7 p2.x = 4
➔ 8 p2.y = 5
```

[Edit this code](#)

➔ line that just executed

➔ next line to execute

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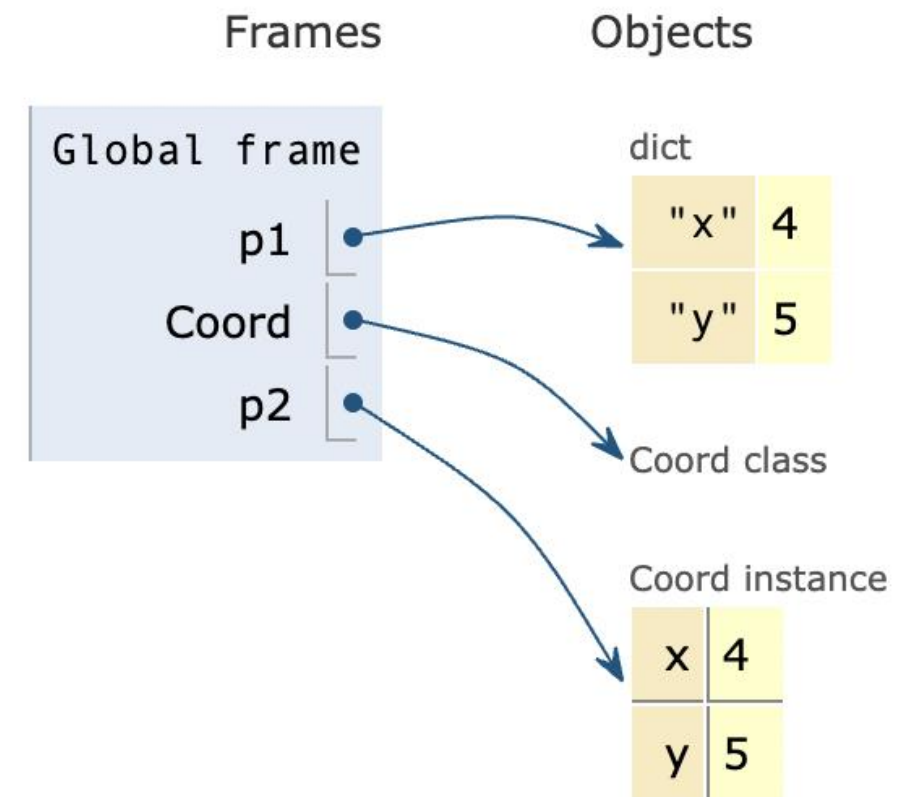
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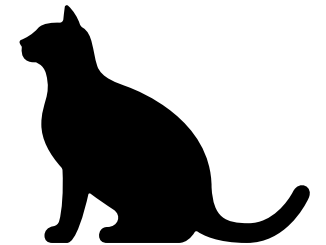
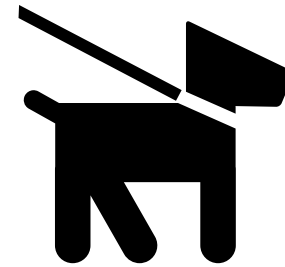
[Move and hide objects](#)



Coding Examples: Animal Classes

Principals

- objects and functions
- methods
- checking object type
- type-based dispatch
- receiver (self parameter)
- constructors



Classes

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which one is an attribute?

1. dog
2. name
3. mult
4. fido

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which call style is preferred?

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what will be passed to the dog param?



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answer: self

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