1. Everything in Python is an Object

Python's philosophy: "Everything is an object". This includes:

- Numbers, strings, lists, dicts
- Functions
- Modules
- · Classes themselves

```
x = 42
print(type(x))
                      # <class 'int'>
print(isinstance(x, object)) # True
    <class 'int'>
     True
def hello():
    return "Hi"
print(type(hello))
                       # <class 'function'>
print(isinstance(hello, object)) # True
→ <class 'function'>
     True
class MyClass:
    pass
print(type(MyClass))
                     # <class 'type'>
print(isinstance(MyClass, object)) # True
→ <class 'type'>
```

- ▼ Tip: Since classes are objects, you can:
 - · Pass classes as arguments to functions.
 - Return classes from functions.
 - Create classes dynamically using type().

```
# Dynamic class creation
DynamicPerson = type("DynamicPerson", (object,), {"greet": lambda self: "Hello"})
p = DynamicPerson()
print(p.greet()) # Hello
```

→ Hello

True

2. Class Anatomy in Python

A class in Python consists of:

- . Attributes (fields): Variables associated with the object
 - Instance attributes (self.name)
 - Class attributes (Person.species)
- Methods: Functions inside classes
 - Instance methods (need self)
 - Class methods (use cls)
 - o Static methods (don't use self or cls)
- Special Methods: Dunder methods (__init__, __str__, __add__, etc.)

```
class Car:
   wheels = 4  # class attribute

def __init__(self, brand, color):
```

```
self.brand = brand  # instance attribute
self.color = color

def drive(self):
    print(f"{self.brand} is driving.")

@classmethod
def car_info(cls):
    print(f"A car usually has {cls.wheels} wheels.")

@staticmethod
def honk():
    print("Beep beep!")
```

3. Object Creation & Initialization

- Python calls __new__() to allocate memory.
- Then __init__() initializes the instance.
- **▽ Tip:** You rarely need __new__, but it's useful for **singleton patterns** or **immutable objects** like int or str.

```
class Example:
    def __new__(cls, *args, **kwargs):
        print("Creating instance...")
        return super().__new__(cls)

def __init__(self, value):
        print("Initializing instance...")
        self.value = value

e = Example(10)
```

Initializing instance...

→ Creating instance...

ABC School

4. Instance vs Class Attributes

- Instance attributes: Unique to each object
- Class attributes: Shared across all instances

```
class Student:
    school = "XYZ School" # class attribute

def __init__(self, name):
    self.name = name # instance attribute

s1 = Student("Alice")
s2 = Student("Bob")

print(s1.school, s1.name) # XYZ School Alice
print(s2.school, s2.name) # XYZ School Bob

# Changing class attribute
Student.school = "ABC School"
print(s1.school) # ABC School

XYZ School Alice
XYZ School Bob
```

Trick: Avoid mutable class attributes like lists or dicts unless intentional, because all instances share them.

```
class BadExample:
   items = [] # shared mutable list

a = BadExample()
b = BadExample()
```

```
a.items.append(1)
print(b.items) # [1] → b shares the same list!
```

→ [1

Fix: Use instance attributes for mutable defaults.

```
class GoodExample:
    def __init__(self):
        self.items = []
```

5. Inheritance & Polymorphism

· Single Inheritance

```
class Animal:
    def speak(self):
        print("Some sound")

class Dog(Animal):
    def speak(self):
        print("Bark")

d = Dog()
d.speak() # Bark
```

→ Bark

• Multiple Inheritance

```
class Flyer:
    def fly(self):
        print("Flying...")

class Swimmer:
    def swim(self):
        print("Swimming...")

class Duck(Flyer, Swimmer):
    pass

d = Duck()
d.fly() # Flying...
d.swim() # Swimming...
```

Flying...
Swimming...

Tip: Python uses Method Resolution Order (MRO) to decide which method to call. Check it using:

```
print(Duck.mro())

The continuous print(Duck.mro())

print(Duck.mro())

(class '__main__.Duck'>, <class '__main__.Swimmer'>, <class 'object'>]
```

6. Encapsulation & Name Mangling

- Public → normal attributes
- Protected → prefix (convention, not enforced)
- Private → prefix __ (name mangling)

```
class Secret:
    def __init__(self):
        self.public = "visible"
        self._protected = "semi-hidden"
        self.__private = "hidden"
```

Trick: Name mangling avoids accidental overrides in subclasses.

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7. Property Decorators (@property)

Pythonic way to create getters and setters.

```
class Circle:
    def __init__(self, radius):
        self._radius = radius

@property
    def radius(self):
        return self._radius

@radius.setter
    def radius(self, value):
        if value <= 0:
            raise ValueError("Radius must be positive")
        self._radius = value

c = Circle(5)
print(c.radius) # 5
c.radius = 10 # 0K
# c.radius = -3 # ValueError</pre>
```

→ 5

Tip: Use @property to keep a clean API without exposing internal attributes.

8. Special Methods (Magic / Dunder Methods)

Method	Purpose
init	Constructor
new	Memory allocation
str	Human-readable string
repr	Official string representation
len	Support len(obj)
getitem	Indexing support obj[key]
setitem	Setting item obj[key]=value
add	Overload + operator
call	Make object callable like a function

Example: Custom Vector Class

```
class Vector:
    def __init__(self, x, y):
        self.x, self.y = x, y

    def __add__(self, other):
        return Vector(self.x + other.x, self.y + other.y)

    def __repr__(self):
        return f"Vector({self.x}, {self.y})"

v1 = Vector(1, 2)
```

```
v2 = Vector(3, 4)
print(v1 + v2) # Vector(4, 6)

→ Vector(4, 6)

✓ Trick: Implementing __repr__ properly makes debugging easier.
```

9. Classmethods & Staticmethods

```
class Temperature:
    scale = "Celsius"

@classmethod
    def set_scale(cls, new_scale):
        cls.scale = new_scale

    @staticmethod
    def c_to_f(c):
        return c * 9/5 + 32

Temperature.set_scale("Fahrenheit")
print(Temperature.scale)  # Fahrenheit
print(Temperature.c_to_f(0))  # 32
```

Fahrenheit 32.0

Rules:

- @staticmethod: No access to cls or self
- @classmethod: Access to class (cls) but not instance (self)

10. Metaclasses (Advanced)

- Metaclasses define how classes themselves are created.
- · Everything is an object; classes are instances of type.

```
class Meta(type):
    def __new__(cls, name, bases, dct):
        print(f"Creating class {name}")
        return super().__new__(cls, name, bases, dct)

class MyClass(metaclass=Meta):
    pass

# Output: Creating class MyClass
```

→ Creating class MyClass

11. Python Tips & Tricks with Classes

1. Dynamic attributes

```
class Person: pass
p = Person()
p.name = "Alice" # Add attribute at runtime
```

2. Dynamic methods

```
def greet(self):
   print("Hello!")
```

```
import types
p.say_hello = types.MethodType(greet, p)
p.say_hello() # Hello!

Hello!
```

3. Using __slots__ to save memory for many objects

```
class Point:
   __slots__ = ("x", "y")
   def __init__(self, x, y):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
```

4. Callable objects

```
class Adder:
    def __init__(self, n):
        self.n = n
    def __call__(self, x):
        return x + self.n

add5 = Adder(5)
print(add5(10)) # 15
```

5. Singleton pattern

```
class Singleton:
    _instance = None
    def __new__(cls, *args, **kwargs):
        if not cls._instance:
            cls._instance = super().__new__(cls)
        return cls._instance

a = Singleton()
b = Singleton()
print(a is b) # True
```

12. Summary

→ True

- Classes = Blueprints, objects = instances.
- · Everything in Python is an object, even classes.
- · Attributes: Instance vs Class
- Methods: Instance, Class, Static
- Encapsulation: Public, Protected, Private
- · Magic Methods: Overload operators, indexing, calling
- · Inheritance: Single & Multiple
- Metaclasses: Customize class creation
- Tips/Tricks: Dynamic attributes, __slots__, callable objects, singletons.

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Nice A I see your notebook covers **everything about Python classes**: class anatomy, attributes, inheritance, encapsulation, properties, magic methods, static/class methods, metaclasses, and even tricks like __slots__ and singletons .

Let's build a **set of exercises** based directly on these topics, moving from beginner \rightarrow advanced \rightarrow challenge level.

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📝 Exercises on Python Classes

Beginner Level

Exercise 1: Class Anatomy

- 1. Create a class Car with:
 - Class attribute: wheels = 4
 - o Instance attributes: brand, color
 - Method drive() that prints <brand> is driving.
- 2. Create two cars and test the method.

Exercise 2: Instance vs Class Attributes

- 1. Make a class Student with:
 - Class attribute: school = "XYZ School"
 - o Instance attribute: name
- 2. Create two students and show how changing Student.school affects both objects.

Exercise 3: Encapsulation

- 1. Write a class Secret with:
 - Public attribute visible
 - o Protected attribute _hidden
 - Private attribute __very_hidden
- 2. Access them in different ways.
- 3. Print the name-mangled version of __very_hidden.

◆ Intermediate Level

Exercise 4: Inheritance & Polymorphism

- 1. Create base class Animal with method speak().
- 2. Subclasses: Dog (says "Bark"), Cat (says "Meow").
- 3. Write a loop that calls speak() on a list of animals.

Exercise 5: Property Decorators

- 1. Make a class Circle with a private attribute _radius.
- 2. Add a @property to get it.
- 3. Add a setter that raises ValueError if radius ≤ 0 .
- 4. Test with valid and invalid values.

Exercise 6: Special Methods

- 1. Implement a class Vector(x, y) with:
 - o __add__ to support +
 - o __repr__ for readable display
- 2. Test v1 + v2.

Exercise 7: Classmethods & Staticmethods

- 1. Create Temperature with class attribute scale = "Celsius".
- 2. Add:
 - @classmethod set_scale(new_scale)
 - @staticmethod c_to_f(celsius)
- 3. Test both.

Advanced Level

Exercise 8: Using __new__

1. Create a class Example that prints messages inside __new__ and __init__.

2. Observe the order of execution when creating an instance.

Exercise 9: Metaclasses

- 1. Write a metaclass Meta that prints the class name being created.
- 2. Create a class MyClass with this metaclass.
- 3. What output do you see?

Exercise 10: Dynamic Attributes and Methods

- 1. Create a Person instance dynamically add an attribute age.
- 2. Attach a new method say hello(self) dynamically using types. Method Type.
- 3. Call the method.

Exercise 11: slots for Memory Optimization

- 1. Create class Point with __slots__ = ("x", "y").
- 2. Try to assign p.z = 5.
- 3. What error do you get?

Exercise 12: Singleton Pattern

- 1. Implement a Singleton class that only allows one instance.
- 2. Create two objects and confirm a is b.



Challenge Exercises

Challenge 1: Mini Banking System

- Create a class BankAccount with private attribute __balance.
- · Add methods:
 - deposit(amount)
 - withdraw(amount) (with error if insufficient balance)
 - @property balance (read-only)
- · Create two accounts and test transactions.

Challenge 2: Library System

- Class Book(title, author) with __repr__.
- Class Library with methods:
 - add_book(book)
 - o list_books()
- Use a class attribute books = [] (and show why this is problematic).
- · Fix by using an instance attribute.

Challenge 3: Callable Objects

- Create a class Multiplier with __call__ that multiplies input by a fixed factor.
- · Example:

```
double = Multiplier(2)
print(double(10)) # 20
```

Would you like me to also provide solutions (code) for these exercises, or keep them as assignments for you to try?

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```

Perfect 💋 Let's solve all the class exercises I gave you. I'll provide Python code solutions with explanations.

✓ Solutions: Python Class Exercises

Beginner Level

Exercise 1: Class Anatomy

```
class Car:
    wheels = 4  # class attribute

def __init__(self, brand, color):
        self.brand = brand  # instance attribute
        self.color = color

def drive(self):
        print(f"{self.brand} is driving.")

# Test
c1 = Car("Toyota", "Red")
c2 = Car("BMW", "Black")
c1.drive()  # Toyota is driving.
c2.drive()  # BMW is driving.
```

Exercise 2: Instance vs Class Attributes

```
class Student:
    school = "XYZ School"

    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name

s1 = Student("Alice")
s2 = Student("Bob")

print(s1.school, s1.name) # XYZ School Alice
print(s2.school, s2.name) # XYZ School Bob

# Change class attribute
Student.school = "ABC School"
print(s1.school) # ABC School
print(s2.school) # ABC School
```

Exercise 3: Encapsulation

```
class Secret:
    def __init__(self):
        self.public = "visible"
        self._protected = "semi-hidden"
        self._private = "hidden"

s = Secret()
print(s.public)  # visible
print(s._protected)  # semi-hidden
# print(s._private)  # AttributeError
print(s._Secret__private)  # hidden (via name mangling)
```

◆ Intermediate Level

Exercise 4: Inheritance & Polymorphism

```
class Animal:
   def speak(self):
      print("Some sound")
```

```
class Dog(Animal):
    def speak(self):
        print("Bark")

class Cat(Animal):
    def speak(self):
        print("Meow")

animals = [Dog(), Cat(), Animal()]
for a in animals:
    a.speak()
# Bark, Meow, Some sound
```

Exercise 5: Property Decorators

```
class Circle:
   def __init__(self, radius):
       self._radius = radius
   @property
   def radius(self):
       return self._radius
    @radius.setter
   def radius(self, value):
       if value <= 0:
           raise ValueError("Radius must be positive")
       self._radius = value
c = Circle(5)
print(c.radius) # 5
c.radius = 10
print(c.radius) # 10
# c.radius = -3 # ValueError
```

Exercise 6: Special Methods

```
class Vector:
    def __init__(self, x, y):
        self.x, self.y = x, y

    def __add__(self, other):
        return Vector(self.x + other.x, self.y + other.y)

    def __repr__(self):
        return f"Vector({self.x}, {self.y})"

v1 = Vector(1, 2)
v2 = Vector(3, 4)
print(v1 + v2) # Vector(4, 6)
```

Exercise 7: Classmethods & Staticmethods

```
class Temperature:
    scale = "Celsius"

@classmethod
    def set_scale(cls, new_scale):
        cls.scale = new_scale
```

```
@staticmethod
def c_to_f(c):
    return c * 9/5 + 32

Temperature.set_scale("Fahrenheit")
print(Temperature.scale) # Fahrenheit
print(Temperature.c_to_f(0)) # 32.0
```

♦ Advanced Level

Exercise 8: Using __new__

```
class Example:
    def __new__(cls, *args, **kwargs):
        print("Creating instance...")
        return super().__new__(cls)

    def __init__(self, value):
        print("Initializing instance...")
        self.value = value

e = Example(10)
# Output:
# Creating instance...
# Initializing instance...
```

Exercise 9: Metaclasses

```
class Meta(type):
    def __new__(cls, name, bases, dct):
        print(f"Creating class {name}")
        return super().__new__(cls, name, bases, dct)

class MyClass(metaclass=Meta):
    pass
# Output: Creating class MyClass
```

Exercise 10: Dynamic Attributes and Methods

```
import types

class Person: pass

p = Person()
p.age = 25  # dynamic attribute
print(p.age)  # 25

def greet(self):
    print("Hello!")

p.say_hello = types.MethodType(greet, p)
p.say_hello()  # Hello!
```

Exercise 11: __slots__

```
class Point:
   __slots__ = ("x", "y")
   def __init__(self, x, y):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
```

```
p = Point(1, 2)
print(p.x, p.y) # 1 2
# p.z = 5 # AttributeError: 'Point' object has no attribute 'z'
```

Exercise 12: Singleton Pattern

```
class Singleton:
    _instance = None
   def __new__(cls, *args, **kwargs):
       if not cls._instance:
            cls._instance = super().__new__(cls)
        return cls._instance
a = Singleton()
b = Singleton()
print(a is b) # True
```

Challenge Exercises

Challenge 1: Mini Banking System

```
class BankAccount:
   def __init__(self, balance=0):
        self.__balance = balance
    def deposit(self, amount):
        self.__balance += amount
   def withdraw(self, amount):
        if amount > self.__balance:
            raise ValueError("Insufficient balance")
        self.__balance -= amount
   @property
   def balance(self):
        return self.__balance
# Test
acc1 = BankAccount(100)
acc1.deposit(50)
print(acc1.balance) # 150
acc1.withdraw(70)
print(acc1.balance) # 80
```

Challenge 2: Library System

```
class Book:
   def __init__(self, title, author):
       self.title, self.author = title, author
   def __repr__(self):
       return f"{self.title} by {self.author}"
class Library:
   def __init__(self):
       self.books = [] # ✓ instance attribute
   def add_book(self, book):
       self.books.append(book)
```

```
def list_books(self):
    return self.books

# Test
lib = Library()
lib.add_book(Book("1984", "George Orwell"))
lib.add_book(Book("Python 101", "Guido van Rossum"))
print(lib.list_books())
```

Challenge 3: Callable Objects

```
class Multiplier:
    def __init__(self, factor):
        self.factor = factor

def __call__(self, x):
        return x * self.factor

double = Multiplier(2)
print(double(10)) # 20
```

✓ That's a complete solution set for all exercises.

Do you want me to also **design a set of real-world project-style class exercises** (e.g., Student Management, Shopping Cart, Hospital System) that combine multiple concepts like inheritance, encapsulation, and magic methods?

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