



Object Oriented Programming (Python 1) Lab 5



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Python Classes and Objects

Python is an object oriented programming language.

Almost everything in Python is an object, with its properties and methods.

A Class is like an object constructor, or a "blueprint" for creating objects.

Create a Class

To create a class, use the keyword `class` followed by an indented block with the class contents :

```
class class_name :  
    statement 1.....  
    statement 2.....  
    function1.....  
    .....  
    function2.....  
    .....
```

Ex

```
class MyClass:  ← Class name  
    y = 10      ← Object data attributes
```

```
p1 = MyClass()  
print("y=",p1.y)
```

Output :

y=10

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```
class Maths: ← Class name
```

```
    def subtract(self ,i ,j ):
```

```
        return i-j
```

```
    def add(self,x,y):
```

```
        return x+y
```

Functions in class

Create object

```
m=Maths()
```

```
print(m.add(10,4))
```

```
print(m.subtract(8,3))
```

Calling function in class

<objectName>.<functionName()>

Output :

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Note: Argument `self` refers to the object itself

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```
class Maths:
```

← Class name

```
    def add(self,i,j):
```

```
        return i+j
```

```
    def test(self):
```

```
        return self.add(10,4)
```

← Functions in class

Create object →

```
m=Maths()
```

```
print(m.test())
```

← Tell python to use function associated with this object

Calling function in class

<objectName>.<functionName()>

Output :

14

Note: Argument `self` refers to the object itself

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The Constructor or `__init__()` Function

All classes have a function called `__init__()`, which is always executed when the class is being initiated.

Use the `__init__()` function to assign values to object properties, or other operations that are necessary to do when the object is being created


```
class Person:
```

```
    def __init__(self, name, age):
```




Use the `__init__(self, name, age)` function to assign values for name and age

```
        self.z = name
```



```
        self.y = age
```



Object data attributes


```
p1 = Person("John", 36)
```



Create object

```
print(p1.z)
```

```
print(p1.y)
```



Use the `__init__(self, name, age)` function to assign values for name and age

Note: when referring to functions or attributes from within a class, we must always prefix the functions or attributes name with `self`.

Note: The `__init__()` function is called automatically every time the class is being used to create a new object.

Output :

John

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The `__str__()` Function

The `__str__()` function controls what should be returned when the class object is represented as a string.

WITHOUT the `__str__()` function :

```
class Person:
```

```
    def __init__(self, name, age):
```

Use the `__init__(self, name, age)` function to assign values for name and age

```
        self.z = name
```

```
        self.y = age
```

Object data attributes

```
p1 = Person("John", 36)
```

Create object

```
print(p1)
```

Use the `__init__(self, name, age)` function to assign values for name and age

Output :

```
<__main__.Person object at 0x0000029CEE330A0>
```

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The `__str__()` Function

The `__str__()` function controls what should be returned when the class object is represented as a string.

The string representation of an object **WITH** the `__str__()` function:

```
class Person:
```

```
    def __init__(self, name, age):
```

← Use the `__init__(self, name, age)` function to assign values for name and age

```
        self.z = name
```

```
        self.y = age
```

← Object data attributes

```
    def __str__(self):
```

← Use the `__str__()` function to representation of object

```
        return f"{self.z}({self.y})"
```

```
p1 = Person("John", 36)
```

← Create object

```
print(p1)
```

← Use the `__init__(self, name, age)` function to assign values for name and age

Output :

John(36)

Ex

```
class Employee: ← Class name
    empcount=0
    def __init__(self, name ,salary): ← Use the __init__(self , name , salary) function to assign values for name
        self.z=name                    and salary
        self.y=salary
        Employee.empcount+=1 ← The variable empcount is a class variable whose value is shared
    def displaycount(self):             among all instances of a this class
        print("Total Employee :", Employee.empcount) ← Accessing empcount from inside the class
    def displayemp(self):
        print("Name: " , self.z," Salary: $" , self.y)
```

```
emp1=Employee("Ali" , 750000)
emp2=Employee("Mohammed" , 800000) ← Creating Instance Objects
```

```
emp1.displayemp()
emp2.displayemp() ← Accessing Attributes
```

```
print("Total Employee :", Employee.empcount) ← Accessing empcount from outside the class
emp1.displaycount()
emp2.displaycount() ← Accessing Attributes
```

Output :

Name: Ali Salary: \$ 750000

Name: Mohammed Salary: \$ 800000

Total Employee : 2

Total Employee : 2

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Thank you