

# Introduction to Python

Session 09

**Introduction to Object Oriented Programming (OOP)**

Special Methods

## Object Oriented Programming

**Class:** Defines the structure: attributes and methods

### Student

Name  
Surname  
Identification Number  
Birth date

**Instances:** Specific realization of any class.  
Objects that exist in a given program execution

**Name:** Antonio  
**Surname:** Gómez  
**Identification Number:** 1234  
**Birth date:** 1/1/1990

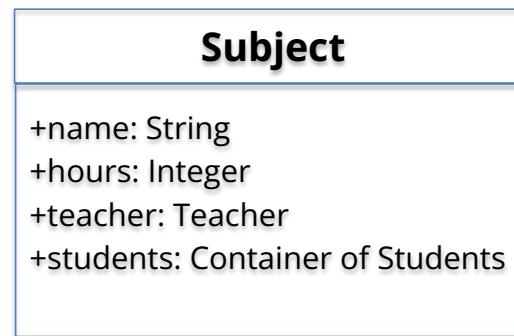
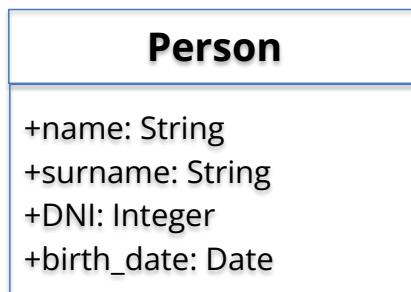
**Name:** Alba  
**Surname:** González  
**Identification Number:** 3456  
**Birth date:** 1/1/1992

**Name:** Agapito  
**Surname:** Garcia  
**Identification Number:** 2827  
**Birth date:** 21/10/1992

# Example

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superclass called person



another class called subject



this childs will inherit everything form person

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# Example

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```
class Subject:

    def __init__(self, name, hours, teacher):

        self.name = name
        self.hours = hours
        self.teacher = teacher

        self.students = set()

    def add_student(self, student):

        self.students.add(student)
```



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# Example

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```
class Person:

    def __init__(self, name, surname, NIE, birth_date):

        self.name = name
        self.surname = surname
        self.NIE = NIE
        self.birth_date = birth_date


class Teacher(Person):

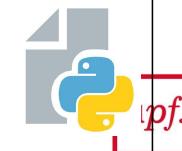
    def __init__(self, name, surname, NIE, birth_date, salary):

        self.salary = salary
        super().__init__(name=name,
                         surname=surname,
                         NIE=NIE,
                         birth_date = birth_date )

class Student(Person):

    pass

...
```



## Object conversion to a String representation

```
student_instance1 = Student( name="Pere",
                             surname="Anton",
                             birth_date="1/1/1990",
                             NIE="u5241")

student_instance2 = Student( name="Pere",
                             surname="Anton",
                             birth_date="1/1/1990",
                             NIE="u5241")
```



## Object conversion to a String representation

```
>>> print(student_instance1)
<__main__.Student object at 0x102face50>
```

By default, Python prints the class of the object and the memory position of that object instance.

# Printing objects

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**\_\_str\_\_** is the method called by **print()** to get a string representation of the object. It must return a string.

returns a string and what will get when call print

**\_\_repr\_\_** is the method called by the interactive interpreter. when jupyter calls it Used to recreate the object when passed to **eval()**. Used for development and debugging.

```
class Person(object):  
  
    def __str__(self):  
        return "I am a Person object instance. My name is %s %s and  
my NIE is %s" %(self.name, self.surname, self.NIE)
```

```
>>> print(student_instance1)  
'I am a Person object instance. My name is Pere Anton and my NIE is  
u5241'
```

```
>>> str(student_instance1)  
'I am a Person object instance. My name is Pere Anton and my NIE is  
u5241'
```

# Comparing objects

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```
student_instance1 = Student( name="Pere",
                             surname="Anton",
                             birth_date="1/1/1990",
                             NIE="u5241")

student_instance2 = Student( name="Pere",
                             surname="Anton",
                             birth_date="1/1/1990",
                             NIE="u5241")

student_instance1 == student_instance2
False

student_instance1 != student_instance2
True
```

# Comparing objects

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\_\_eq\_\_ is the method called by the `==` operator.

```
class Person(object):

    def __init__(self, name, surname, NIE, birth_date):

        self.name = name
        self.surname = surname
        self.NIE = NIE
        self.birth_date = birth_date

    def __eq__(self, other_person):

        return self.NIE == other_person.NIE
```

```
student_instance1 == student_instance2
True
```

```
student_instance1 != student_instance2
False
```

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## Comparing objects: sorting

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```
student_instance1 = Student("Pere", "Anton", "1/1/1990", "u5241")
student_instance2 = Student("Pere", "Anton", "1/1/1990", "u5241")
student_instance3 = Student("Nuria", "Gonzalez", "20/10/1992", "u22312")
student_instance4 = Student("Toni", "Bonet", "20/10/1992", "u22312")

my_student_list = [ student_instance1, student_instance2, student_instance3,
student_instance4 ]

for student in my_student_list:
    print(student.name, student.surname)

('Pere', 'Anton')
('Pere', 'Anton')
('Nuria', 'Gonzalez')
('Toni', 'Bonet')
```

two instances of student,  
but diff ids

Same order as  
introduced

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## Comparing objects: sorting

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```
student_instance1 = Student("Pere", "Anton", 123456, "1/1/1990", "u5241")
student_instance2 = Student("Pere", "Anton", 123456, "1/1/1990", "u5241")
student_instance3 = Student("Nuria", "Gonzalez", 1738172, "20/10/1992", "u22312")
student_instance4 = Student("Toni", "Bonet", 1738172, "20/10/1992", "u22312")

my_student_list = [ student_instance1, student_instance2, student_instance3,
student_instance4 ]

my_student_list.sort()

for student in my_student_list:
    print(student.name, student.surname)

('Pere', 'Anton')
('Pere', 'Anton')
('Nuria', 'Gonzalez')
('Toni', 'Bonet')
```

Same order as  
introduced again

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define these methods to sort the list!

object.__lt__(self, other)	<
object.__le__(self, other)	<=
object.__gt__(self, other)	>
object.__ge__(self, other)	>=
object.__eq__(self, other)	==
object.__ne__(self, other)	!=

# Comparing objects: sorting

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```
class Person:

    def __init__(self, name, surname, NIE, birth_date):

        self.name = name
        self.surname = surname
        self.NIE = NIE
        self.birth_date = birth_date

    def __eq__(self, other_person):
        return self.NIE == other_person.NIE

    def __lt__(self, other):
        return self.surname < other.surname

    def __le__(self, other):
        return self.surname <= other.surname

    def __gt__(self, other):
        return self.surname > other.surname

    def __ge__(self, other):
        return self.surname >= other.surname
```

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## Comparing objects: sorting

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```
student_instance1 = Student("Pere", "Anton", 123456, "1/1/1990", "u5241")
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student_instance3 = Student("Nuria", "Gonzalez", 1738172, "20/10/1992", "u22312")
student_instance4 = Student("Toni", "Bonet", 1738172, "20/10/1992", "u22312")

my_student_list = [ student_instance1, student_instance2, student_instance3,
student_instance4 ]

my_student_list.sort()

for student in my_student_list:
    print(student.name, student.surname)

('Pere', 'Anton')
('Pere', 'Anton')
('Toni', 'Bonet')
('Nuria', 'Gonzalez')
```

Ordered by surname !

# Comparing objects: hashing

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```
teacher_instance = Teacher(name="Xavi", surname="Jalencas", NIE="u1234",
                           birth_date="1/1/1980", salary=100)

PYT = Subject(name="PYT", hours=125, teacher=teacher_instance)

PYT.add_student(student_instance 1)
PYT.add_student(student_instance 2)
PYT.add_student(student_instance 3)
PYT.add_student(student_instance 4)
PYT.add_student(student_instance 1)

TypeError: unhashable type: 'Student'
```

student\_instance1 will appear only once in the set, although we have added it twice.

What python should do ?

As in the class Subject students are added to a Set, duplicated objects are removed.

student\_instance1 and student\_instance2 have equivalent attributes and are considered "equal" according to \_\_eq\_\_

Name to the same instance  
Equivalent instances according to \_\_eq\_\_

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### \_\_hash\_\_

- Method that must return an integer
- The hash value returned is used for operations on members of hashed collections: dictionaries, sets...
- Used normally for “immutable” objects.

## hash

Without `__hash__`: Python treats them as two different objects because they are in different memory locations.

With `__hash__`: Python sees they have the same fingerprint and same data. It treats them as a duplicate. The set length would be 1.

```
class Person:  
    ...  
    def __hash__(self):  
        return self.NIE.__hash__()
```

In this example, we set the hash of a person as the hash defined by its NIE.

Person objects having the same NIE will be considered duplicates in sets, dictionaries, etc.

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The `__hash__` method is a special function in Python that allows an object to be used in places that require "uniqueness," such as being a key in a dictionary or an element in a set.

If two objects have the same "fingerprint" (hash), Python then checks if they are actually equal using `__eq__`.

In Python, if you define `__hash__`, you must also define `__eq__`.

## Comparing objects: hashing

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```
student_instance1 = Student("Pere", "Anton", 123456, "1/1/1990", NIE="u5241")
student_instance2 = Student("Pere", "Anton", 123456, "1/1/1990", NIE="u5241")
student_instance3 = Student("Nuria", "Gonzalez", 1738172, "20/10/1992", "u22312")
student_instance4 = Student("Toni", "Bonet", 1738172, "20/10/1992", "u22312")

teacher_instance = Teacher(name="Xavi", surname="Jalencas", DNI=18276165,
                           birth_date="1/1/1980", salary=100)

PYT = Subject(name="PYT", hours=125, teacher=teacher_instance)

PYT.add_student(student_instance 1)
PYT.add_student(student_instance 2)
PYT.add_student(student_instance 3)
PYT.add_student(student_instance 4)
PYT.add_student(student_instance 1)

print("Number of students: %d" %(len(PYT.students)))

Number of students: 2
```

As students 1 and 2 share same DNI, and students 3 and 4 share same DNI, only 2 students are added to the set



### \_\_len\_\_

- Returns an integer. Method called when the `len()` function is used.

```
class Subject(object):  
    ...  
    def __len__(self):  
        return len(self.students)  
  
print("Number of students: %s" %len(PYT))
```

### `__contains__`(self, item)

- Should return `True` if item is in self, `False` otherwise.

```
class Subject(object):  
    ...  
    def __contains__(self, student):  
        return student in self.students  
  
student_instance1 in PYT
```

### `__getitem__`(self, key)

- Method called when accessing using [ ].

Examples:

- Get a specific character or substring in a string object
- Get a specific item or sublist in a List object

PYT[0]

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### `__add__` (self, other)

- Method called when accessing using the operator +
  - . When objects are integers, it means “sum”
  - . When objects are strings, it means “concatenate”
  - . When objects are lists, it means “extend”

```
student_instance_1 + student_instance_2
```

### `__iter__(self)`

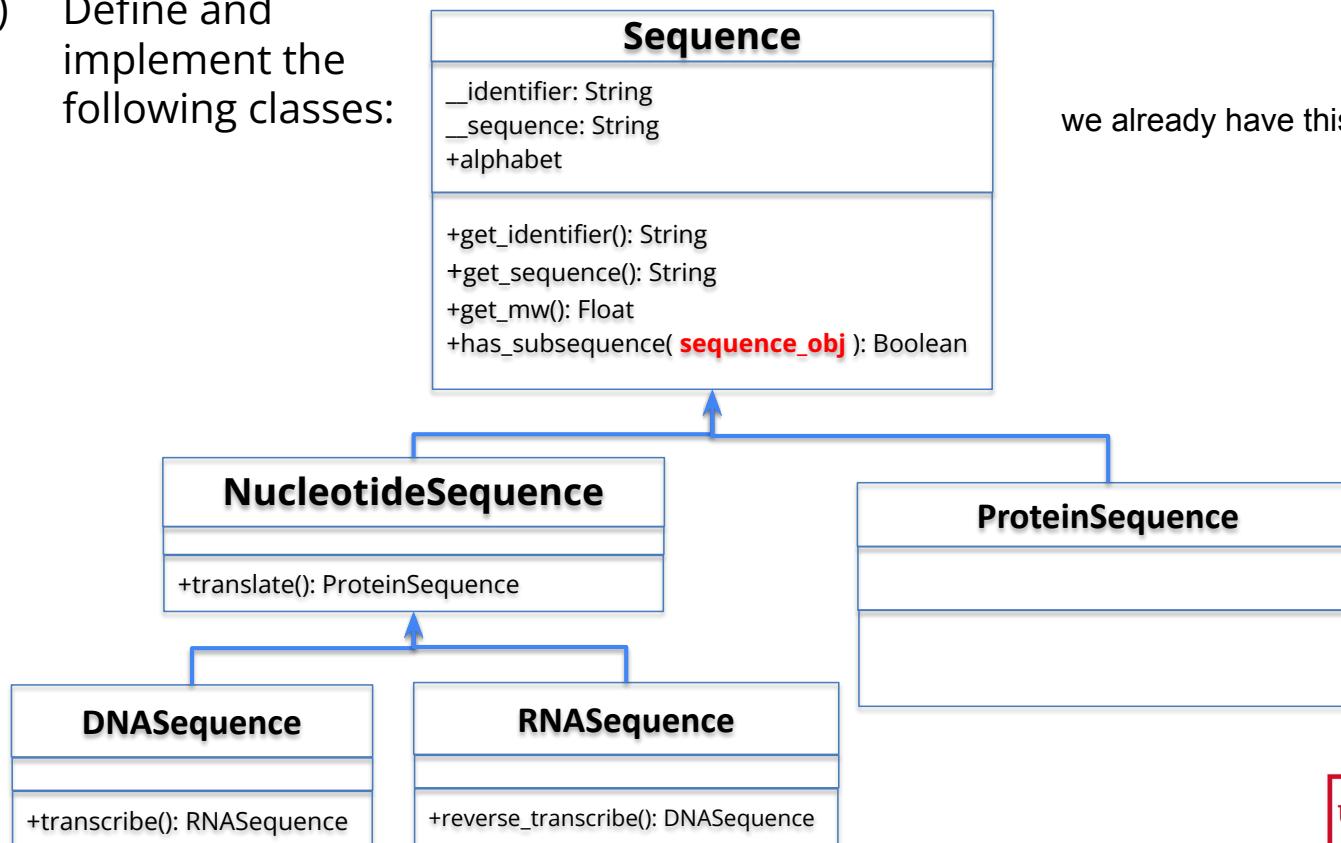
- Returns an iterator object. Called when the object is iterated.

```
class Subject(object):  
  
    ...  
  
    def __iter__(self):  
        for student in self.students:  
            yield student  
  
for student in PYT:  
    print(student)
```

__sub__ (self, other) :	-
__mul__ (self, other) :	*
__pow__ (self, other) :	**
__and__ (self, other) :	and
__or__ (self, other) :	or
__abs__	
__pos__	
__neg__	
__float__	
__int__	

Create a python script called **<ul>IE\_S09.py** with:

- 1) Define and implement the following classes:



we already have this from the previous exercises

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## Exercises. Session 09

Define the following behaviour for the classes defined in exercise block 2 part 2:

- 1) `len(Sequence)`: should return the length of the sequence.
- 2) `sequence1 == sequence2`: return True if sequence strings are exactly the same (without taking into account the identifiers). don't care about the identifiers, only the seq
- 3) `sequence1 != sequence2`: return True if sequences are different, without taking into account the identifiers.  
add seq of the same class (dna +dna, rna+rna)
- 4) `Sequence + Sequence`: Create a new sequence object instance with their sequences concatenated. Sequence object has to be of the same class as the operands. It should not be applicable to different classes (i.e. ProteinSequence, RNASequence). The identifiers should also be concatenated with a "+" as a glue between both identifiers.

```
def __add__(self, other):
```

```
    return Sequence(self.__sequence + other.sequence)
```

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Define the following behaviour for the classes defined in exercise block 2 part 2:

- 5) **Sequence[i]:** should return the sequence element at position i. Position 0 corresponds to the first position. list
- 6) **in operator:** should return a boolean if the string is a substring of the attribute sequence.      `def __contains__`
- 7) **Comparing sequences.** Implement the necessary method(s) to define how sequences should be ordered. The objective is that when sorting a list of sequences, they are sorted according to their molecular weight. `def __lt__(self, other):`
- 8) Adapt the sequence class so that it can be used as key in a dictionary or it can be added to a set. Two sequences should be considered the same object in terms of set or key if they share both the identifier **and** the sequence. upf.

uses hash function