Object oriented programming

Plan

1. What is object oriented programming (OOP)?

2. Exercises to go over the concepts and the syntax associated with them in python.

Procedural programming

- Procedural programming focuses on the series of actions.
- It contains data and actions all mixed together.
- Very linear!

C, Fortran

Object2 - Data - Code Object1 - Data - Code Object3 - Data - Code

Object oriented

Data before action.

 It is based on objects, objects contain their own data and their own logic.

- Object oriented is really about object speaking to each other.
- Python, C++, Java, Perl, Ruby

Classes – type of objects

Time	Date	Project
Gene	Fasta	TelescopeObservation
WeatherData	Temperature	Sample

What defines a class?

WeatherData

Attributes

- Geographic coordinates
- Humidity
- Temperature
- Atmospheric Pressure
- Time
- Date

Methods

- Calculate chance of rain
- Compare to monthly average
- Plot on a map

Objects are instances of Classes

- Classes are description, definition of objects.
- There is no point defining a class if you are not going to make an object.

Class: Date

Object: Yesterday Today Tomorrow

Object orienting programming

• It is an idea, a way of seeing code as objects interacting with each other.

These objects contain both code and data.

• It is the way you think about problems, it is the way you should think about code!

Exercise

 Take 5 minutes to think of a class that could related to analyses you are doing in your PhD project (A type of data, observation, file format).

Give it 2 attributes and 2 methods.

 Think of 1 instance of that class, what would be its attributes, what would happen if you call the method?

Classes relationship: Inheritance (is)

Class Attributes

Vehicule nbPassengers; color

Aircraft(Vehicle) fuel type; tank size

Helicopter(Aircraft) number of helixes

Classes relationship: Composition (has)

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Composition VS Inheritance

A helicopter is an aircraft.

 A Weather observation has a date but a date is not a Weather observation!

Summary of the theory

- It is an idea
- Object at the center; objects are instances of classes, associated with properties and methods.
- Classes can inherit from each other (is-a) or be can compose each other (has-a)

```
class Fruit(object):
     """A class that makes various tasty fruits."""
    def init (self, name, color, flavor, poisonous): #booting method
          self.name = name
          self.color = color
          self.flavor = flavor
          self.poisonous = poisonous
    def description(self): #method
          print "I'm a %s %s and I taste %s." % (self.color, self.name, self.flavor)
    def is edible(self):
         if not self.poisonous:
               print "Yep! I'm edible."
          else:
               print "Don't eat me! I am super poisonous."
lemon = Fruit("lemon", "yellow", "sour", False)# instance of lemon
lemon.description()# call the method description on lemon
lemon.is edible()# call the methon is edible on lemon
lemon.pH = 1 # it is an instance variable, specific to lemon, not all fruits have pH
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