

(7.5) Polymorphism , Duck Typing

1. Introduction

Polymorphism

Overloading

Over-riding

Poly means many. Morphs means forms.
Polymorphism means 'Many Forms'.

Eg1: + operator acts as concatenation and arithmetic addition

Eg2: * operator acts as multiplication and repetition operator

Eg3: The Same method with different implementations in Parent class and child classes.(overriding)

Related to polymorphism the following 3 topics are important

1. Duck Typing Philosophy of Python
2. Overloading
 1. Operator Overloading
 2. Method Overloading
 3. Constructor Overloading
3. Overriding
 1. Method overriding
 2. constructor overriding

2. Duck Typing Philosophy of Python

Methods are more important than class type

In Python we cannot specify the type explicitly. Based on provided value at runtime the type will be considered automatically. Hence Python is considered as Dynamically Typed Programming Language.

```
def f1(obj):  
    obj.talk()
```

What is the type of obj? We cannot decide at the beginning. At runtime we can pass any type. Then how we can decide the type?

At runtime if 'it walks like a duck and talks like a duck, it must be duck'. Python follows this principle. This is called Duck Typing Philosophy of Python.

Program - 1

```
In [3]: class Duck:
        def talk(self):
            print('Quack.. Quack..')

        class Dog:
            def talk(self):
                print('Bow Bow..')

        class Cat:
            def talk(self):
                print('Moew Moew ..')

        class Goat:
            def talk(self):
                print('Myaah Myaah ..')

        def f1(obj):
            obj.talk()

        l=[Duck(),Cat(),Dog(),Goat()]
        for obj in l:
            f1(obj)
```

```
Quack.. Quack..
Moew Moew ..
Bow Bow..
Myaah Myaah ..
```

Program - 2

```
In [4]: class Parrot:
        def fly(self):
            print("Fly high in the sky")

        class Sparrow:
            def fly(self):
                print("Fly low in the sky")

        s = Sparrow()
        p = Parrot()

        for obj in [ s, p]:
            obj.fly()
```

```
Fly low in the sky
Fly high in the sky
```

Program - 3

The problem in this approach is if obj does not contain talk() method then we will get **AttributeError**

```
In [5]: class Duck:
        def talk(self):
            print('Quack.. Quack..')

        class Dog:
            def bark(self):
                print('Bow Bow..')

        def f1(obj):
            obj.talk()
```

```
d=Duck()
f1(d)

d=Dog()
f1(d)
```

Quack.. Quack..

```
-----
AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
C:\Users\PANKAJ~1\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_2256\4002753860.py in <module>
     14
     15 d=Dog()
--> 16 f1(d)

C:\Users\PANKAJ~1\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_2256\4002753860.py in f1(obj)
      8
      9 def f1(obj):
--> 10     obj.talk()
     11
     12 d=Duck()
```

AttributeError: 'Dog' object has no attribute 'talk'

But we can solve this problem by using `hasattr()` function.

`hasattr(obj,'attributename')`

`attributename` can be method name or variable name

In [6]:

```
class Duck:
    def talk(self):
        print('Quack.. Quack..')

class Human:
    def talk(self):
        print('Hello Hi...')

class Dog:
    def bark(self):
        print('Bow Bow..')

def f1(obj):
    if hasattr(obj,'talk'):
        obj.talk()
    elif hasattr(obj,'bark'):
        obj.bark()

d=Duck()
f1(d)

h=Human()
f1(h)

d=Dog()
f1(d)
```

Quack.. Quack..
Hello Hi..
Bow Bow..

3. Over-riding

When Child class method replace(redefine) parent class method in child class is called method over-riding

Overriding concept applicable for both methods and constructors.

Case - 1

In [9]:

```
class Parent:
    def bike(self):
        print("Parent has splendra bike")
    def car(self):
        print("Marutii-800")

class Child(Parent):
    def bike(self): # over-riding bike method of parent class
        print("I have royal enfield Himalyan")

b = Child()
b.car()
b.bike()
```

Marutii-800

I have royal enfield Himalyan

From Overriding method of child class,we can call parent class method also by using `super()` method.

In [10]:

```
class Parent:
    def bike(self):
        print("Parent has splendra bike")
    def car(self):
        print("Marutii-800")

class Child(Parent):
    def bike(self): # Over-riding bike method of parent class
        print("I have royal enfield Himalyan")
        super().bike()

b = Child()
b.car() # ?
b.bike() # ?
```

Marutii-800

I have royal enfield Himalyan

Parent has splendra bike

Case - 2

Constructor Over-riding

In [12]:

```
class A:
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name
    def __str__(self):
        return self.name

class B(A):
    # A.__init__ has been over-riden by B.__init__
    def __init__(self, name, age):
        self.age = age
        super().__init__(name) # super --> A class
```

```
# A.__init__(self, name)
```

```
b = B('Pankaj', 20)
print(b)
print(b.age)
```

```
Pankaj
20
```

In the above example, if child class does not contain constructor then parent class constructor will be executed

From child class constructor we can call parent class constructor by using `super()` method

4. Overloading

Introduction

We can use same operator or methods for different purposes.

Eg1: + operator can be used for Arithmetic addition and String concatenation

```
print(10+20)#30
print('durga'+ 'soft')#durgasoft
```

Eg2: * operator can be used for multiplication and string repetition purposes.

```
print(10*20)#200
print('durga'*3)#durgadurgadurga
```

Eg3: We can use `deposit()` method to deposit cash or cheque or dd

```
deposit(cash)
deposit(cheque)
deposit(dd)
```

There are 3 types of overloading

1. Operator Overloading
2. Method Overloading
3. Constructor Overloading

1. Operator Overloading

For every operator Magic Methods are available. To overload any operator we have to override that Method in our class.

Internally + operator is implemented by using `__add__()` method. This method is called magic method for + operator. We have to override this method in our class.

Magic Methods

`__init__` initializer

`__str__` string representation of an object (Stdout)

<code>__repr__</code>	raw representation of an object (Shell & Stdout)
<code>__len__</code>	return integer value
<code>__add__</code>	+
<code>__sub__</code>	-
<code>__mul__</code>	*
<code>__truediv__</code>	/
<code>__floordiv__</code>	//
<code>__pow__</code>	**
<code>__mod__</code>	%
<code>__lt__</code>	<
<code>__gt__</code>	>
<code>__ge__</code>	>=
<code>__le__</code>	<=
<code>__eq__</code>	==
<code>__ne__</code>	!=
<code>__iadd__</code>	+=
<code>__isub__</code>	-=

Problem - 1

In [19]:

```
class Person:
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name
    def __str__(self):
        return self.name.title()
    def get_name(self):
        return self.name
    def set_name(self, name):
        self.name = name
    def __len__(self):
        return len(self.name)
    def __add__(self, other):
        name = f"{self.name} & {other.name}"
        return Person(name) # instantiate
```

In [20]:

```
a = Person("Pankaj Yadav")
b = Person("Sachin Yadav")
```

```
print(a, len(a))
print(b, len(b))
```

Pankaj Yadav 12
Sachin Yadav 12

```
In [24]: d = a + b # operator overloading
         print(d, type(d))
```

Pankaj Yadav & Sachin Yadav <class '__main__.Person'>

Problem - 2: Vector Addition and subtraction Operator overloading

```
In [25]: class Vector:
         def __init__(self, x, y):
             self.x = x
             self.y = y
         def __str__(self):
             return f"vector({self.x}, {self.y})"

v1 = Vector(4, 5)
v2 = Vector(6, 3)
print(v1)
print(v2)
```

vector(4, 5)
vector(6, 3)

```
In [26]: v3 = v1 + v2 # + operator is not overloaded
```

```
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TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
C:\Users\PANKAJ~1\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_2256\2026195404.py in <module>
----> 1 v3 = v1 + v2 # + operator is not overloaded
```

TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for +: 'Vector' and 'Vector'

```
In [27]: class Vector:
         def __init__(self, x, y):
             self.x = x
             self.y = y
         def __str__(self):
             return f"Vector({self.x}, {self.y})"
         def __add__(self, other):
             x = self.x + other.x
             y = self.y + other.y
             return Vector(x, y) # creating a new object of vector class
         def __sub__(self, other):
             x = self.x - other.x
             y = self.y - other.y
             return Vector(x, y) # creating a new object of vector class
```

```
In [28]: v1 = Vector(4, 5)
         v2 = Vector(6, 3)
         print(v1)
         print(v2)
```

Vector(4, 5)
Vector(6, 3)

```
In [30]: v3 = v1 + v2
         print(v3)

         v4 = v1 - v2
         print(v4)

         print(type(v3), type(v4))

Vector(10, 8)
Vector(-2, 2)
<class '__main__.Vector'> <class '__main__.Vector'>
```

2. Method Overloading

If 2 methods having same name but different type of arguments then those methods are said to be overloaded methods.

But in Python Method overloading is not possible.

If we are trying to declare multiple methods with same name and different number of arguments then Python will always consider only last method.

i) Normal Method Overloading

```
In [31]: def area(a):
         "area of Circle"
         def area(a, b):
             "area of rectangle"
         def area(a, b, c):
             "area of Triangle"
```

```
In [32]: area(10)
```

```
-----
TypeError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
C:\Users\PANKAJ~1\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_2256\2905087139.py in <module>
----> 1 area(10)
```

```
TypeError: area() missing 2 required positional arguments: 'b' and 'c'
```

But we can logically develop overloading concept by using default argument

```
In [35]: def area(a, b=None, c=None):
         if b is None and c is None:
             print("Circle")
         elif b is not None and c is None:
             print("Rectangle")
         elif b is not None and c is not None:
             print("Triangle")
         else:
             print("!! Invalid Argument !!")
```

```
In [37]: area(10)
         area(10,20)
         area(10,20,30)
```


Circle
Rectangle
Trianle

ii) Class Method Overloading

In [40]:

```
class Test:
    def m1(self):
        print('no-arg method')
    def m1(self,a):
        print('one-arg method')
    def m1(self,a,b):
        print('two-arg method')

t=Test()
# t.m1()
#t.m1(10)
t.m1(10,20)
```

two-arg method

Program with default argument

In [41]:

```
class Test:
    def sum(self,a=None,b=None,c=None):
        if a!=None and b!= None and c!= None:
            print('The Sum of 3 Numbers:',a+b+c)
        elif a!=None and b!= None:
            print('The Sum of 2 Numbers:',a+b)
        else:
            print('Please provide 2 or 3 arguments')

t=Test()
t.sum(10,20)
t.sum(10,20,30)
t.sum(10)
```

The Sum of 2 Numbers: 30

The Sum of 3 Numbers: 60

Please provide 2 or 3 arguments

Program with Variable Number of Arguments

In [42]:

```
class Test:
    def sum(self,*a):
        total=0
        for x in a:
            total=total+x
        print('The Sum:',total)

t=Test()
t.sum(10,20)
t.sum(10,20,30)
t.sum(10)
t.sum()
```

The Sum: 30

The Sum: 60

The Sum: 10

The Sum: 0

3. Constructor Overloading

Constructor overloading is not possible in Python.

If we define multiple constructors then the last constructor will be considered.

In [43]:

```
class Test:
    def __init__(self):
        print('No-Arg Constructor')

    def __init__(self, a):
        print('One-Arg constructor')

    def __init__(self, a, b):
        print('Two-Arg constructor')

#t1=Test()
#t1=Test(10)
t1=Test(10,20)
```

Two-Arg constructor

In the above program only Two-Arg Constructor is available. But based on our requirement we can declare constructor with default arguments and variable number of arguments

Program with default argument

In [44]:

```
class Test:
    def __init__(self, a=None, b=None, c=None):
        print('Constructor with 0|1|2|3 number of arguments')

t1=Test()
t2=Test(10)
t3=Test(10,20)
t4=Test(10,20,30)
```

Constructor with 0|1|2|3 number of arguments
Constructor with 0|1|2|3 number of arguments
Constructor with 0|1|2|3 number of arguments
Constructor with 0|1|2|3 number of arguments

Constructor with Variable Number of Arguments:

In [45]:

```
class Test:
    def __init__(self, *a):
        print('Constructor with variable number of arguments')

t1=Test()
t2=Test(10)
t3=Test(10,20)
t4=Test(10,20,30)
t5=Test(10,20,30,40,50,60)
```

Constructor with variable number of arguments
Constructor with variable number of arguments
Constructor with variable number of arguments
Constructor with variable number of arguments
Constructor with variable number of arguments

In []: