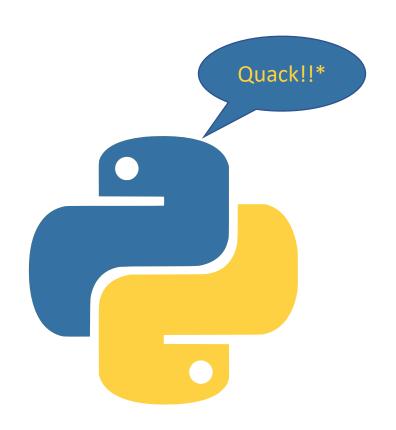
Object Oriented Programming in Python



^{*} That's actually a spoiler, you have been alerted.

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Introduction

Is OOP funny?

Sure! Here's a funny 5-line explanation of OOP inheritance:

DadClass: has a car, a wallet, and a bad sense of humor.

ChildClass(DadClass): gets the car, the wallet... and unfortunately, the jokes.

Overrides the jokes with memes, but still hears dad jokes at runtime.

GrandChildClass now confused: is it a Tesla or a horse and buggy?

Moral: you can inherit the goods, but debugging the baggage is on you.



- 1. En POO, tu crées des objets, comme des Pokémon mais pour le code.
- 2. Chaque objet a des pouvoirs (méthodes) et des stats (attributs).
- 3. Les classes sont les plans secrets pour fabriquer ces Pokémon.
- 4. L'héritage ? C'est quand ton nouveau Pokémon hérite des attaques de Pikachu.
- 5. Et l'encapsulation ? C'est cacher les bêtises pour que seul le dresseur (toi) puisse y toucher. 🙍 💻



Is OOP funny? Definitely not!!!

Q: How many software developers does it take to change a light bulb?

A: None. That's a hardware problem.

There are 10 types of people: Those who understand the binary notation and those who don't...

(comment: hahahahhahahahaha i can't stop laughing...)

Is OOP useful? Definitely yes!!!

It allows you to write:

Shorter code

Versatile libraries

Clearer code

Easy to use libraries

Easy to use Graphical User Interfaces (GUI)

Easily extendable libraries

"Elegant" code

A short overview of the history of OOP

```
    > 1960s Firstly introduced in Simula
    > 1970s Fully implemented in Smalltalk
    > 1980s Becomes popular thanks to C++
    > 1990s Very popular languages as python and Java rely on the use of OOP
    > 2000 to present OOP is used in Javascript, C# New paradigms start to develop (Go, Rust, Dart ...)
```

Some programming languages (as Java) strongly rely on OOP

Python hello world program

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    print("Hello Wordl !)
```

Java hello world program

```
public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello, World!");
    }
}
```

What is OOP?

It is a programming strategy/paradigm using entities called "objects".

Despite the fact that some examples found in real life are not objects in python can be really useful !!



Translation:

Glass breaking hammer
Break the glass to take the hammer

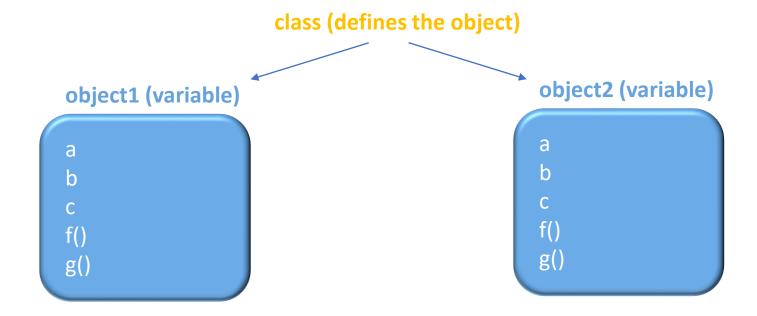
Memory Management in Python

What is the definition of an object in OOP? Come



In python an object is an abstract entity that contains variables and methods (functions).

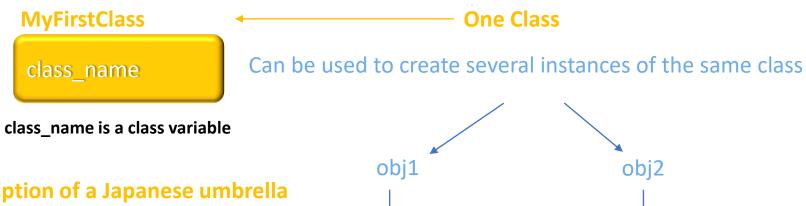
The fact that it contains "its own things (variables and functions)" is called "encapsulation"



(use dir() or type() if you do not believe me)

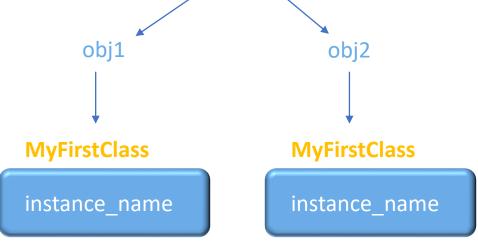
Objects: classes, instances and variables code





Description of a Japanese umbrella

- It has a height and a radius
- It can be opened
- The point and handle have colors
- It is Japanese



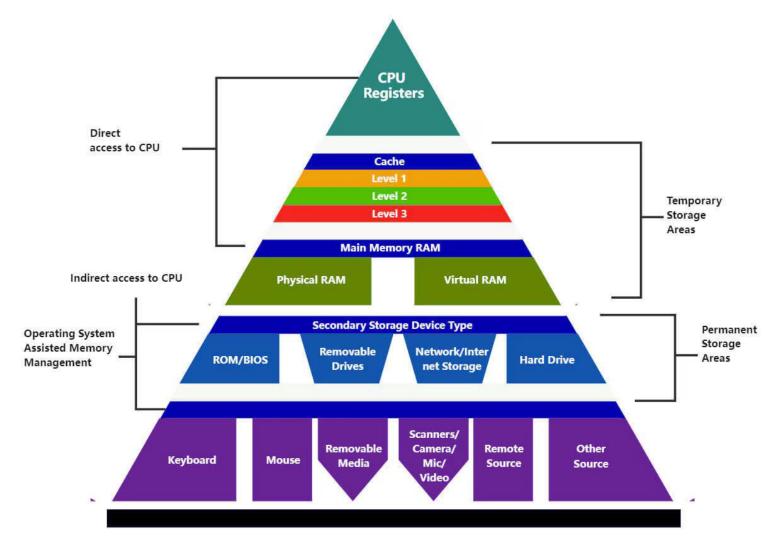
instance_name is an instance variable

Different instances of the umbrella

The actual objects



(Very) basic memory management



Memory management in modern CPUs is complex: I will use a simplified model!

Basic memory management



Random Access Memory (RAM)

Heap memory

Used for objects and global variables

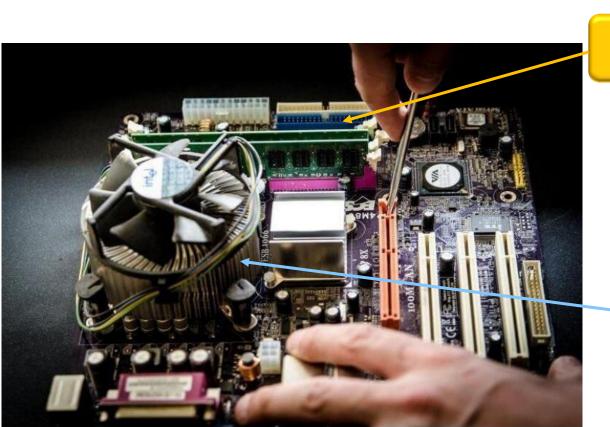


Stack memory

Microprocessor

Used for local variables and return values

Avoid using global variables in your programs !!!



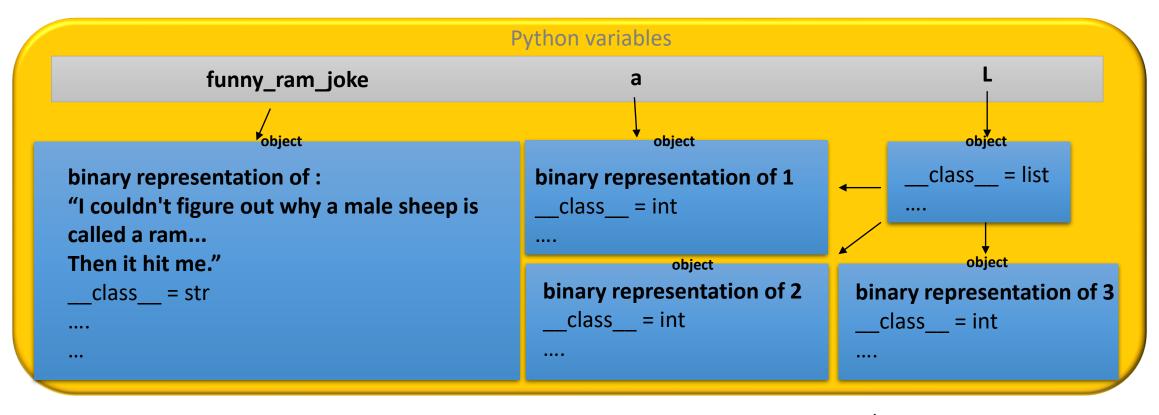
Objects, pointers, variables and RAM

```
funny_ram_joke = "'I couldn't figure out why a male sheep is called a ram...

Then it hit me."'
a = 1
L = [1, 2, 3]
```

Variables in python store a reference (point) to objects.

(passing by reference paradigm)

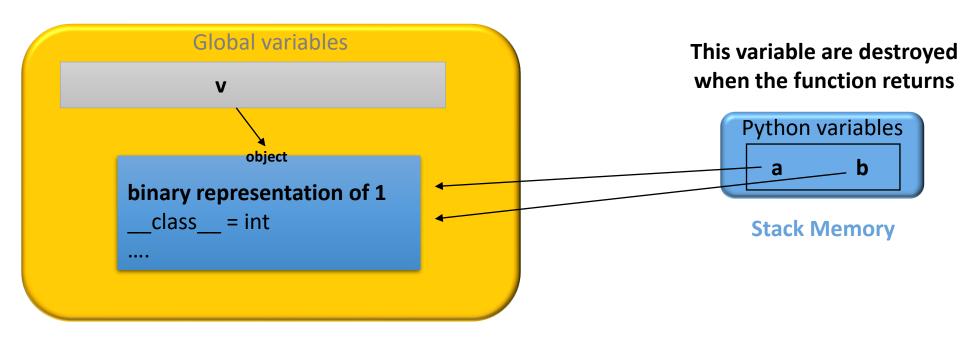


Local ang global variables

def f(a): b = a v = 1 f(v)

Global variable are stored in the RAM

Local variable are stored in the stack



Random Access Memory (RAM)

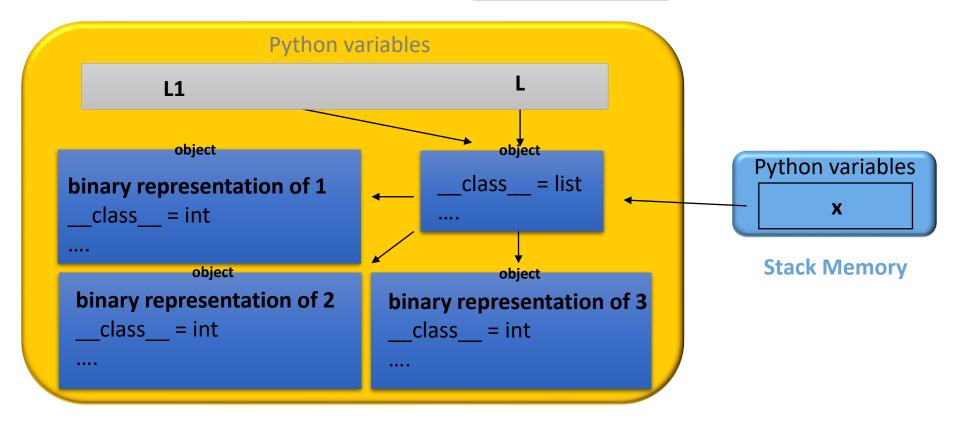
Assignment and collateral effects Collateral



Assignment

```
L = [1, 2, 3]
L1 = L
def f(x):
  pass
f(L)
```

Collateral effects possible: all variables pointing the same objects are affected if you modify it using one of them



Random Access Memory (RAM)

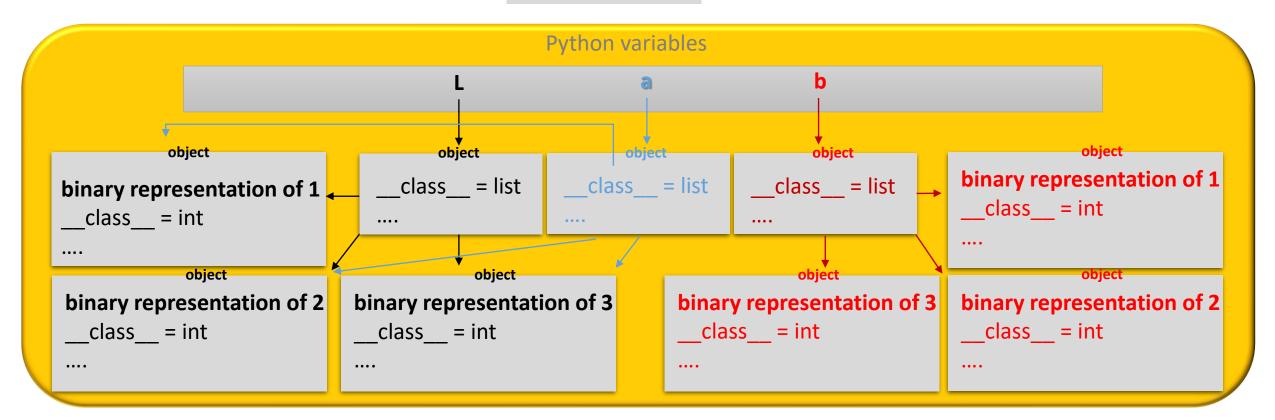
Copy and deep copy Code

(shallow) copy and deep copy

import copy

L = [1, 2, 3]
a = copy.copy(L)
b = copy.deepcopy(L)

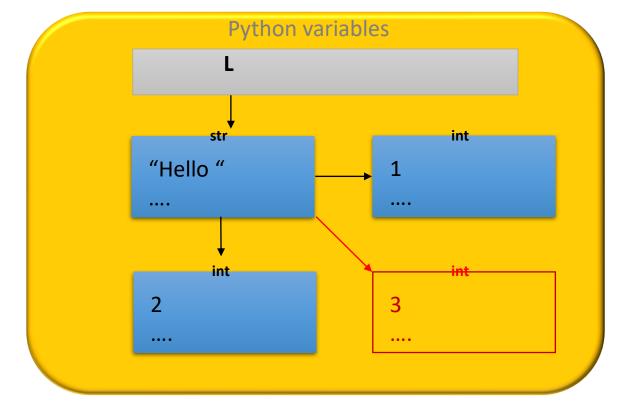
No collateral effects possible with deep copy (just placebo ©) but the operation is much slower



Mutable and immutable objects

Mutable objects cannot be modified

L= [1, 2] L.append(3)



Object is modified "in place"

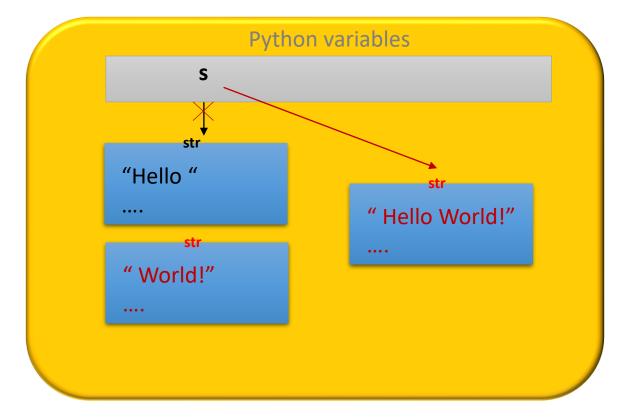
No copy needed and that's quick!

Random Access Memory (RAM)

Mutable and immutable objects

Immutable objects cannot be modified

```
s = "Hello"
s = s + " World!"
```



Examples: numbers, strings, tuples....
To modify strings you need to create
new objects !!!

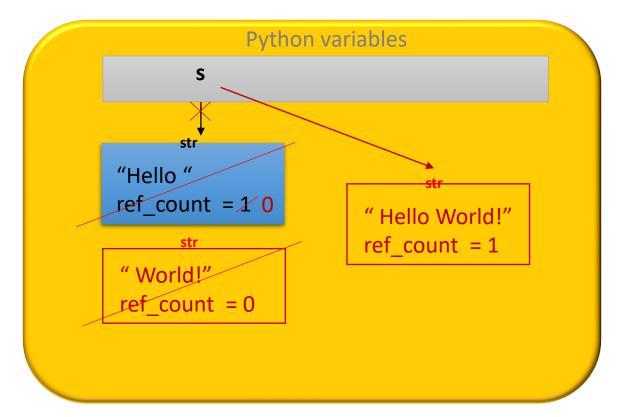
What happens to all the "old" unused objects in memory?

Random Access Memory (RAM)

Smart pointers and the garbage collector

Python has smart pointers

```
s = "Hello"
s = s + " World!"
```



Memory is automatically freed.

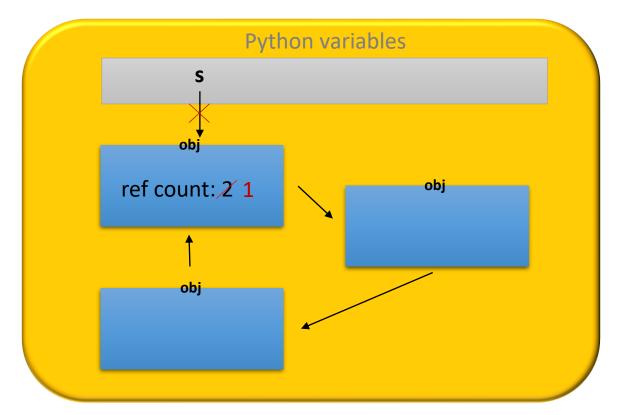
That's smart!

Random Access Memory (RAM)

Smart pointers and the garbage collector code

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In some cases this does not work (circular references)



Memory is not automatically freed

This is why python has a

GARBAGE COLLECTOR

That periodically checks the memory for the presence of such cases and frees them if needed

WHICH REDUCES PERFORMANCES

Random Access Memory (RAM)

The smartness conservation principle

The quality of the final result is directly proportional to the amount of smartness used to produce it.

The Fazzini corollary (still top secret do not talk about it with anyone)







Pointer Smartness	Programmer Smartness	Program efficiency	Program stability



Votre appareil a rencontré un problème et doit être redémarré. Nous collectons simplement des informations relatives aux erreurs, puis nous allons redémarrer l'ordinateur.

0% achevés



Pour plus d'informations sur ce problème et sur les solutions possibles, consultez https://www.windows.com/stopcode

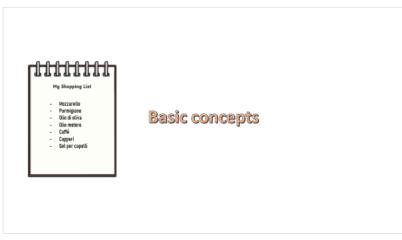
Si vous contactez l'assistance, transmettez-leur ces informations

Code d'arrêt : CRITICAL PROCESS DIED

Section Summary

- In python everything is accessed as an object
- Objects are stored in memory and automatically deleted when not needed anymore
- Memory management has a performance cost
- You can have (unwanted) collateral effects when copying and passing variables

Using Objects in Python





Inheritance

My Shopping List

- Mozzarelle
- Parmigiano
- Qio di diva
- Clio motore
- Caffé
- Capperi
- Gel per capelli

Basic concepts

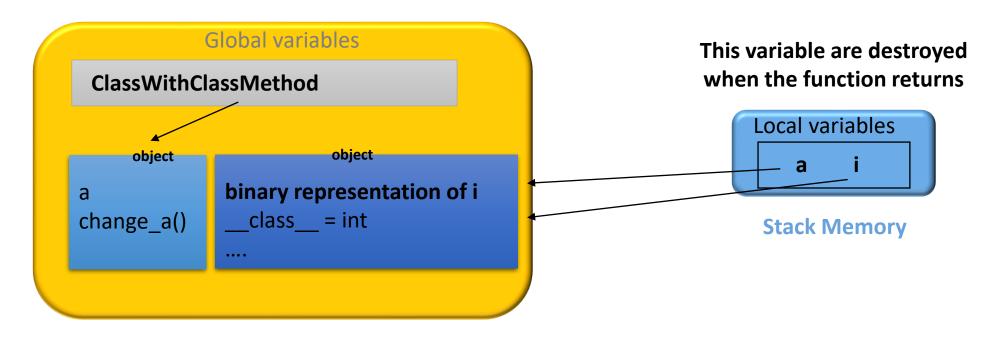
Key Concepts

The best way (in my opinion) to manage object is



To consider that class functions (method) do not have any special way to access class members

```
class ClassWithClassMethod:
    a = 1
    def change_a(i:int) -> None:
        a = i
```



Random Access Memory (RAM)

Class methods

You can use class methods by using class objects

```
class ClassWithClassMethod:
    a = 1
    def change_a(i:int) -> None:
        ClassWithClassMethod.a = i
```

To use class methods you need to use the @classmethod decorator

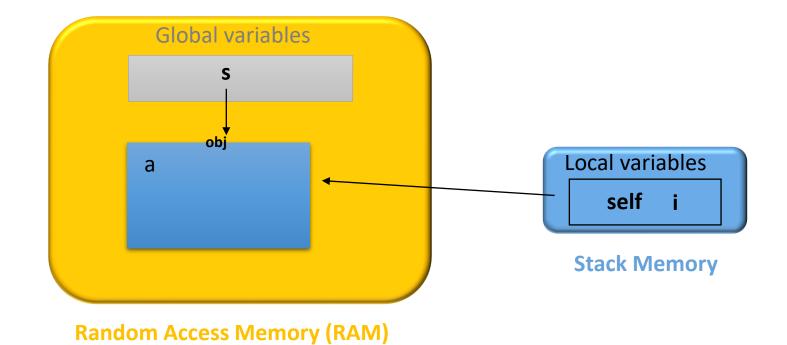
```
class ClassWithClassMethod:
    a = 1
    @classmethod
    def change_a(cls, i:int) -> None:
        cls.a = i
```

In general you will rarely need to use calls methods and members (you are allowed to forget this)

Accessing Instance variables Code

How can I access instance variables?

- using variables
- using self in class members

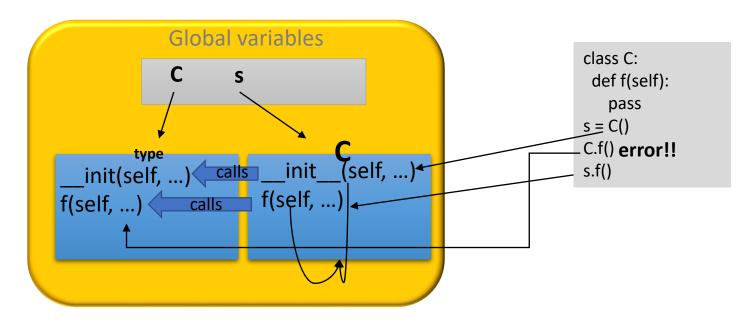


Class functions and instance methods Code



Class functions are automatically converted to instance methods

- You can call a function f using the class
- When you call f from an instance of the class self is added as first argument
- **Init** is called when an instance is created



Random Access Memory (RAM)

Encapsulation



Encapsulation in OOP

The basic idea of encapsulation is

To use objects instances as self contained pieces of code and thus to avoid using global variables.

The advantages of encapsulation are:

- Increasing performance by avoiding global variables
- Create code that is easy to use and to reuse
- Avoid errors due to conflicts of variable

An object is a self-contained, easy to use, hassle-free, piece of code
The use of encapsulation alone makes OOP worthy !!!

Encapsulation in Python



The basic idea of encapsulation is

To define a "public" interface for the class user and a "private" implementation for the class writer

Public variables do not have restrictions on their name

Private variables and functions must begin with a _ the class user can use them but he really should not

Variable beginning with __ cannot be accessed, but the access can be forced by putting the class name in front of the variable (sometimes referred to as protected variables)

Any modification to the interface do not affect the user code !!!

Inheritance

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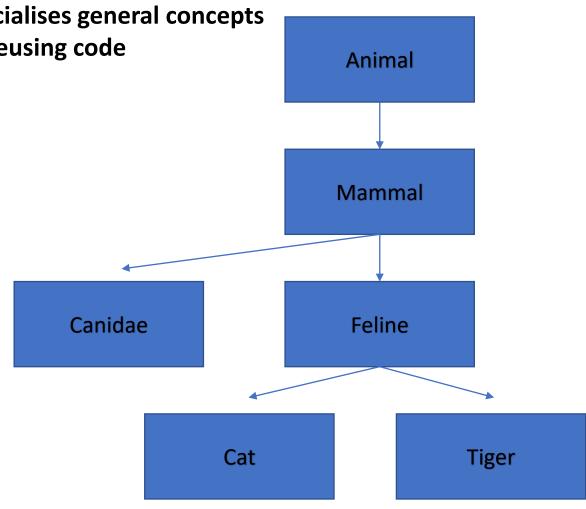
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To define a hierarchy of classes that specialises general concepts to more specific tasks and reusing code

You can easily extend functionality of a class written by someone else without knowing the implementation specifics (useful in GUIs !!)

You can write general functions that works on classes with belonging to the same category (with common ancestors) (a function Woking on all mammals).

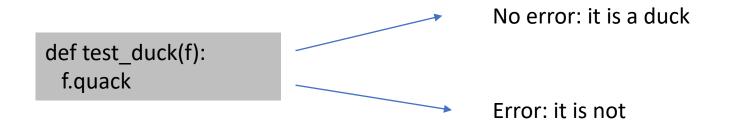
This is called **POLYMORPHISM**.



Polymorphism and Python

Simple Idea (duck typing)

If it quacks it is a duck !!!



But it can generate a lot of errors at runtime

If the programmer is not aware !!!

Inheritance

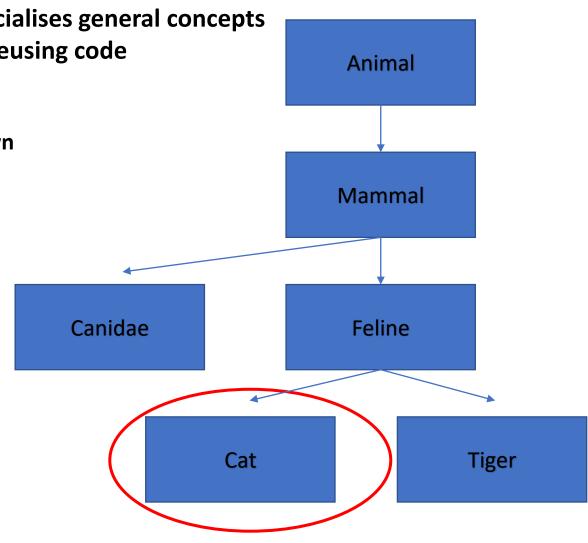
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The class can access all variables of the superclasses as its own with the exception of variable beginning with ___

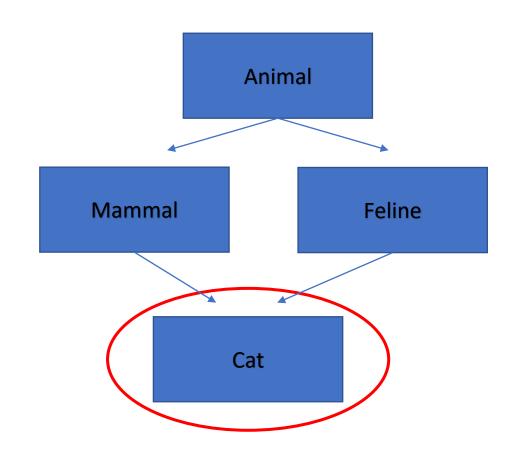
Any function of a superclass can be called:

- By using the class name:
 ex. Feline.jump(), Feline.__init__()
- By using super()ex. super().jump(), super().__init__()



The diamond problem

But in this case who is super referring to?

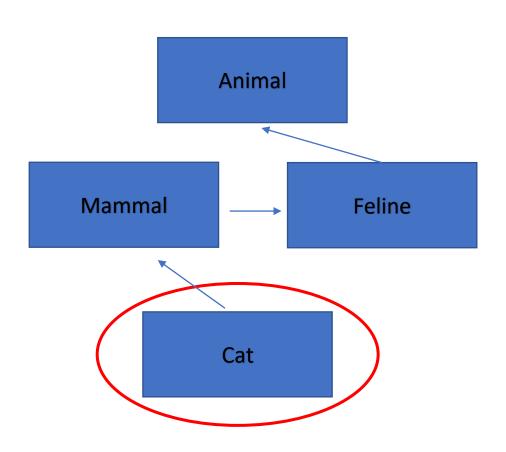


MRO (method resolution order)



The general case is complex (recursive algorithm) but in 99,9% of cases:

From left to right then from bottom to top



Iterators and generators

Iterators and iterables

If you can do that

```
obj = ObjectClass()
for i in obj:
  print(i)
```

ObjectClass is an iterable

```
An iterable is an object with a special method called ___iter__
__iter__ returns an iterator

An iterator is an object with a special method called ___next__
__next__ can do two things:
```

- Return the next value in the sequence
- Raise a StopIteration exception to indicate the end of the sequence

If StopIteration is never raised the iterator never stops !!!

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Do not use it in for loops .

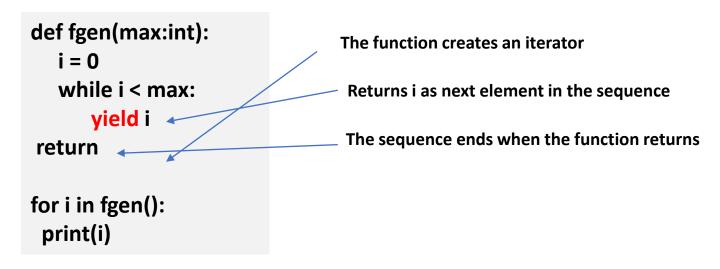
Lazy containers



Iterators and iterables are called lazy containers

Because they generate the number only when needed

If you do not want to use classes you can use function generators



And for simple cases you can use generator expressions

```
odd_gen = ( 2*n+1 for n in range (10) )
```

Generates a lazy iterator giving even numbers between 1 and 19

Callables and decorators

Functions are objects



A function is a special kind of object, called of type function that has a __call__ method.

A general object is said to be callable (and behaves as a function) if it has the __call__ method.

A function that takes a function as argument, modifies it and returns it is called a decorator

```
def decorate(f):
    print("I print this then I execute f")
    f()

def f():
    print("Hello")

decorated_f = decorate(f)

def decorate(f):
    print("I print this then I execute f")
    f()

@decorate
def f():
    print("Hello")

f and decorate f are both decorated
```

This code can be shortened by using decorator syntax