Constructors

- > Constructors are generally used for instantiating an object (initializing all variables of an object)
- > The task of constructors is to initialize (assign values) to the data members of the class when an object of the class is created.
- > In Python, the init () method is called the constructor.
- > The constructor is always called when an object is created.
- Without constructors, all objects will have the same values and no object will be unique.

Syntax:

```
class classname:
    def __init__(self):
        # body of the constructor
```

Creating a Constructor

To create a constructor in Python, we need to define a special method called __init__() inside our class.

```
__init__()
```

- > The __init__ method is called as the special method in Python whose name 'init' is preceded and followed by the double underscore sign.
- > It is called as the constructor method in Python.
- > It is used to initializing the object of a class.
- > It is always executed when the object of the class is created.
- Like normal methods, the __inti__ also contains a set of statements that are executed at the time of object creation.

Example:

Create a class named Person, use the __init__() function to assign values for name and age:

```
class Person:
    #Constructor or init method
    def __init__(self, name, age):
        self.name = name
        self.age = age

p1 = Person("John", 36)
p1.name
p1.age
```

Output:

John

36

Example:

```
class Person:
    def __init__(self, name, age):
        self.name = name
        self.age = age

    def myfunc(self):
        print("Hello my name is " , self.name)

p1 = Person("John", 36)
p1.myfunc()

Output:

Hello My name is John
```

Note: We can use any name instead of self.

Example:

Use the words mysillyobject and abc instead of self:

```
class Person:
  def __init__(mysillyobject, name, age):
    mysillyobject.name = name
    mysillyobject.age = age

  def myfunc(abc):
    print("Hello my name is " , abc.name)

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

Output:

Hello My name is John

Types of constructors

Constructors are categorized into three types:

- 1. Non-Parameterized Constructor
- 2. Parameterized Constructor
- 3. Default Constructor

A. Non-Parameterized constructor:

- > Constructors with no parameters other than self are called Non-Parameterized Constructors.
 - ✓ It does not accept any arguments.
 - ✓ Its definition has only one argument which is a reference to the object of the class.

Example

```
class A:
    def __init__(self):
        self.a = "Python for DS"

    def print(self):
        print(self.a)

obj = A()
obj.print()

Output :
```

Example:

Python for DS

```
class Dress:
    def __init__(self):
        self.cloth = "Cotton"
        self.type = "T-Shirt"

    def get_details(self):
        print("Cloth = ", self.cloth)
        print("\nType =", self.type)

t_shirt = Dress()
t_shirt.get_details()
```

Output

```
Cloth = Cotton
Type = T-Shirt
```

B. Parameterized constructor:

- ➤ Constructors with at least two parameters including self are called Parameterized Constructors.
- ✓ It takes its first argument a self parameter which is as a reference to the object of the class.
- ✓ The rest of the arguments are provided by the programmer while creating the object.

Example:

class A:

```
# Class Variable
               x = "Python"
               y = "DS"
         def init (self, name, age):
               # Instance Variable
               self.name = name
               self.age = age
         def func(self):
               print("Hello:", self.name)
               print("Your age is:", self.age)
       obj = A('ABCD', 19)
       print(obj. x)
       print(obj.y)
       obj.func()
       Output:
       Python
       DS
       Hello: ABCD
       Your age is: 19
> Example:
       class Dress:
         def __init__(self, cloth, type, quantity=5):
           self.cloth = cloth
           self.type = type
           self.quantity = quantity
         def get details(self):
           print(self.quantity, self.cloth, self.type)
       shirt = Dress("silk", "shirt", 20)
       t_shirt = Dress("cotton", "t-shirt")
       shirt.get details()
       t_shirt.get_details()
       Output
```

20 silk shirt(s) 5 cotton t-shirt(s)

Example:

```
class Addition:
  first = 0
  second = 0
  answer = 0
  def __init__(self, f, s):
    self.first = f
    self.second = s
  def display(self):
    print("First number = " , self.first)
    print("Second number = " , self.second)
    print("Addition of two numbers = " , self.answer)
  def calculate(self):
    self.answer = self.first + self.second
obj = Addition(1000, 2000)
obj.calculate()
obj.display()
Output:
First number = 1000
Second number = 2000
Addition of two numbers = 3000
```

C. Default Constructor in Python

➤ If the user do not define a constructor, then a non-parameterized constructor with an empty body is initialized while creating the object of the class. This constructor is called Default Constructor.

Example:

A silk shirt

```
class Dress:
   cloth = "silk"
   type = "shirt"
   def details(self):
      print("A", self.cloth, self.type)
shirt = Dress()
shirt.details()

Output
```

Note:

What happen if we declare the two same constructors in the class?

 $Internally, the \ object \ of \ the \ class \ will \ always \ call \ the \ last \ constructor \ if \ the \ class \ has \ multiple \ constructors.$

```
Example
```

```
class Student:
    def __init__(self):
        print("The First Constructor")
    def __init__(self):
        print("The second contructor")
    st = Student()

Output:
```

The second contructor

Additional Points:

```
Example:
```

```
class car:
    def __init__(self,modelname, year):
        self.modelname = modelname
        self.year = year
    def display(self):
        print(self.modelname,self.year)

c1 = car("Toyota", 2016)
c1.display()
```

Example:

```
#Creating more than one object of a class
```

```
class employee():
    def __init__(self,name,age,id,salary): //creating a function
        self.name = name // self is an instance of a class
        self.age = age
        self.salary = salary
        self.id = id

emp1 = employee("harshit",22,1000,1234) //creating objects
emp2 = employee("arjun",23,2000,2234)
```

Note: We can use any name instead of self.

Example:

```
#Use the words mysillyobject and abc instead of self:
class Person:
    def __init__(mysillyobject, name, age):
        mysillyobject.name = name
        mysillyobject.age = age

    def myfunc(abc):
        print("Hello my name is " , abc.name)

p1 = Person("John", 36)
p1.myfunc()

Output:
Hello My name is John
```

Note:

Example:

```
#Passing the wrong number of arguments.
class Car:
    def __init__(self, name, mileage):
        self.name = name
        self.mileage = mileage
Honda = Car("Honda City")
print(Honda)

Output:
Error
```

Example:

```
#Order of the arguments
```

```
class Car:
    def __init__(self, name, mileage):
        self.name = name
        self.mileage = mileage

    def description(self):
        return f"The {self.name} car gives the mileage of {self.mileage}km/l"
Honda = Car(24.1,"Honda City")
print(Honda.description())
```

Note:

To add two numbers using function:

```
def add_number(n1,n2):
    sum = n1 + n2;
    return sum;
num1 = 30
num2 = 20
print("The sum of two number is",add_number(num1,num2))
```

To add two numbers using function inside a class:

```
class MyClass:
    a = 10
    b = 20
    def add(self):
        sum = self.a + self.b
        print(sum)

ob = MyClass()
print(ob.a)
print(ob.b)
ob.add()
```

To add two numbers using Constructors:

```
class add:
    def __init__(self,number1,number2):
        self.addition = number1 + number2

addnumbers = add(10,15)
print(addnumbers.addition)
```

Note:

Constructors with Positional Arguments

Positional arguments pass values to parameters depending on their position.

#Example: Positional Arguments

```
class Dress:
    def __init__(self, type, price):
        self.type = type
        self.price = price
    def details(self):
        print("A", self.type, "costs Rs.", self.price)
shirt = Dress("shirt", 50)
shirt.details()
Output
A shirt costs Rs.50
```

Constructors with keyword arguments

Arguments which should be passed by using a parameter name and an equal to sign are called keyword arguments. They are independent of position and dependent on the name of the parameter.

Example:

```
class Dress:
    def __init__(self, type, price):
        self.type = type
        self.price = price

    def details(self):
        print("A", self.type, "costs Rs." , self.price)

t_shirt = Dress(price=150, type="t-shirt")
print(t_shirt.details())
```

Constructors with Arbitrary Arguments

Multiple arguments which are passed into a single indefinite length tuple are called arbitrary arguments. We use arbitrary arguments when we don't know the number of arguments that will be passed to the function.

Example:

```
class Dress:
    def __init__(self, *types):
        self.types = types
    def details(self):
        return self.types
t_shirt = Dress("shirt", "t-shirt")
print(t_shirt.details())
```

Arbitrary Arguments

```
class Dress:
    def __init__(self, *types):
        self.types = types
    def details(self):
        return self.types

t_shirt = Dress("shirt", "t-shirt")
print(t_shirt.details())

class Square:
    def __init__(self, length):
        self.length = length
        self.area = self.find_area()
    def find_area(self):
        return self.length * self.length
    obj = Square(5)
print(obj.area)
```

Count Objects Using Constructor in Python

```
class Dress:
    def __init__(self):
        Dress.no_of_dresses += 1
        no_of_dresses = 0
    print("Before Creating objects")
    print(f"No of objects = {Dress.no_of_dresses}")
    for _ in range(10): # To create 10 objects
        Dress()
    print("After Creating objects")
    print(f"No of objects = {Dress.no_of_dresses}")

Output:
Before Creating objects
No of objects = 0
After Creating objects
No of objects = 10
```

Delete the Object

We can delete the properties of the object or object itself by using the del keyword.

```
Example
class Employee:
    id = 10
    name = "John"
    def display(self):
        print("ID: %d \nName: %s" % (self.id, self.name))

emp = Employee()
    # Deleting the property of object
del emp.id
# Deleting the object itself
del emp
emp.display()
```