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1 Introduction to Python for Open Source Geocomputation



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Content:

• Polymorphism

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[1]: print({1:2})

{1: 2}

[2]: print("asb")

asb

[3]: print([12,2])

[12, 2]

[4]: class Point:
    def __init__(self, x=3, y=4):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y

[5]: p2 = Point()
```

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[6]: print(p2)
```

<__main__.Point object at 0x1069df710>

1.0.1 print representation of an object

```
class Point:
    def __init__(self, x=3, y=4):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y

def __str__(self):
    return "<"+str(self.x)+","+str(self.y)+">"
```

- uninformative print representation by default
- define a __str__ method for a class (special method)
- Python calls the __str__ method when used with print on your class object
- you choose what it does! Say that when we print a Point object, we want to display its x,y corrdinates

```
[7]: class Point:
    def __init__(self, x=3, y=4):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y

    def __str__(self):
        return "<"+str(self.x)+","+str(self.y)+">"
```

```
[8]: p2 = Point()
```

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[9]: print(p2)
```

<3,4>

```
[10]: print({1:2})
```

{1: 2}

Function Polymorphism print

1.0.2 Polymorphism: an important property of OOP

- the use of a single type entity (function, operator or object) to represent different types in different scenarios.
- Polymorphic print() function
 - print("python"): print the string
 - print(p2): print the x and y coordinates in the format of <x,y>
- Polymorphic len() function
 - len("python"): number of characters in the string
 - len([1,2,"python"]): number of items in the list

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- len({1:2, "python": 3}): number of keys/key-value pairs in the dictionary
        • Polymorphism in addition operator +
            -1+2
            - "python"+ " "+ "good"
[11]: len("python")
[11]: 6
[12]: len([1,2,"python"])
[12]: 3
[13]: len({1:2, "python": 3})
[13]: 2
[14]: 1+2
[14]: 3
[15]: "python"+ " "+ "good"
[15]: 'python good'
[16]: class Point:
          def __init__(self, x=3, y=4):
              self.x = x
              self.y = y
          def __str__(self):
              return "<"+str(self.x)+","+str(self.y)+">"
[17]: p1 = Point()
      p2 = Point()
[18]: p1 + p2
       TypeError
                                                  Traceback (most recent call last)
       Cell In[18], line 1
       ---> 1 p1 + p2
       TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for +: 'Point' and 'Point'
```

1.0.3 Special operators

- +, -, ==, <, >, len(), print, and many others
- like print, we can write special methods to override these to work with your class
- define them with double underscores before/after

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- __add__(self, other): self + other
- __sub__(self, other): self - other
- __eq__(self, other): self == other
- __lt__(self, other): self < other
- __len__(self): len(self)
- __str__(self): print self
- ... and others</pre>
```

- * self refers to the current instance
- * other refers to another instance of the same class

1.0.4 Customizing + for class Point

```
class Point:
    def __init__(self, x=3, y=4):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y

def __str__(self):
        return "<"+str(self.x)+","+str(self.y)+">"

def __add__(self, other):
        return Point(self.x+other.x, self.y+other.y)
```

```
[19]: class Point:
    def __init__(self, x=3, y=4):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y

def __str__(self):
        return "<"+str(self.x)+","+str(self.y)+">"

def __add__(self, other):
        return Point(self.x+other.x, self.y+other.y)
```

```
[20]: p1 = Point()
p2 = Point(4,5)
```

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[21]: p3 = p1 + p2 print(p3)
```

<7,9>

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[22]: print(p3.x, p3.y)
```

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7 9
```

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[23]: p1 = Point()
p2 = Point()
```

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[24]: p1 == p2
```

[24]: False

Exercise:

```
class Point:
    def __init__(self, x=3, y=4):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
    def __add__(self, other):
        return Point(self.x+other.x, self.y+other.y)
```

Customize the operator == for class Point to compare one instance of Point with another. If both the x and y coordinates are equal, True is returned, otherwise, False is returned. (hint: Define the method __eq__(self, other) to calculate self == other)

Raise your hand when you are done

```
class Point:
    def __init__(self, x=3, y=4):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
    def __add__(self, other):
        return Point(self.x+other.x, self.y+other.y)
    def __eq__(self, other):
        return self.x == other.x and self.y == other.y
```

```
[26]: p1 = Point()
p2 = Point(4,5)
```

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[27]: p1 == p2
```

[27]: False

```
[28]: p1 = Point(4,5)
p2 = Point(4,5)
```

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[29]: p1 == p2
```

[29]: True

1.0.5 Power of OOP

- create our own classes of objects on top of Python's basic classes
- bundle together objects that share
 - common attributes
 - procedures that operate on those attributes
- OOP models complex things as reproducible, simple structures
- Reusable, OOP objects can be used across programs
- Allows for class-specific behavior through polymorphism
- Easier to debug, classes often contain all applicable information to them