# Lab 09: Return of the Cow

### Overview

This lab's purpose is to provide students with experience in file I/O. It is recommended that students use command line tools and editors for this lab (though it is not strictly speaking required). This lab will require students to build on their previous lab experience, in which a version of the cowsay utility was created.



## Specification

Students will update the driver program (cowsay.py) and also add one new class - FileCow (in file cow.py). The FileCow class should extend the Cow class, and IceDragon must be derived from Dragon. As before, heifer\_generator.py is provided for you - but updated to handle the new FileCow class. (Please refer to specification for previous lab for a refresher.) Students may implement protected attributes and methods if they choose to do so. This is not required – it is purely optional. No public attributes / methods should be added to the specification!

cowsay.py (Program Driver)

Your program must accept command line arguments as follows:

```
python3 cowsay.py -1
                                         Lists the available cows
                                         Prints out the MESSAGE using the default COW
python3 cowsay.py MESSAGE
python3 cowsay.py -n COW MESSAGE
                                        Prints out the MESSAGE using the specified built-in COW
python3 cowsay.py -f COW MESSAGE
                                         Prints out the MESSAGE using the specified FILECOW
```

```
>python3 cowsay.py -l
Cows available: heifer kitteh dragon ice-dragon
File cows available: moose turkey turtle tux
```

Note that this version of the utility handles a special set of Cow-derived FileCow objects. The HeiferGenerator will automatically create FileCow objects (using the FileCow constructor) from files in the "cows" directory.

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#### Previous Work

The following classes, developed previously, are required for this lab to function.

#### Cow

```
__init__(self, name) # Constructor
get_name(self) # Returns name of this cow object
get_image(self) # Returns image for this cow object
set_image(self, image) # Sets the image for this cow object to image
```

#### Dragon (extends Cow)

```
__init__(self, name, image) # Constructor
can breathe fire(self) # Defaults to true
```

#### IceDragon (extends Dragon)

```
__init__(self, name, image) # Constructor
can_breathe_fire(self) # Returns false
```

#### FileCow Class

The FileCow class must be derived from the Cow class. In addition, FileCow must add the following behavior:

```
__init__(self, name, filename)
```

Constructor; creates a new FileCow object with the given name and an image loaded from filename. If the file cannot be loaded, it should *raise* a new RuntimeError with the message "MOOOOO!!!!!!". This should be the only public constructor for the FileCow class!

```
set_image(self, image)
```

Should immediately *raise* a new **RuntimeError** with the message "Cannot reset FileCow Image".

### Submissions

**NOTE**: Your output must match the example output \*exactly\*. If it does not, *you will not receive full credit for your submission*!

Files: cowsay.py, file\_cow.py, cow.py, dragon.py, ice\_dragon.py Method: Submit on ZyLabs

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### ⇔ Sample Output

Could not find tux cow!

```
>python3 cowsay.py Hello World!
Hello World!
>python3 cowsay.py -n kitteh Moew-Moew!
Moew-Moew!
>python3 cowsay.py -1
Regular cows available: heifer kitteh dragon ice-dragon
File cows available: moose turkey turtle tux
>python3 cowsay.py -n ninja Hello world!
Could not find ninja cow!
>python3 cowsay.py -f tux Do you have any herring?
Do you have any herring?
       0_0
>python3 cowsay.py -f alien Earth is ours!
Could not find alien cow!
>python3 cowsay.py -f kitteh MEOW!!!
Could not find kitteh cow!
>python3 cowsay.py -n tux How about tuna?
```