

# Magic Methods + Operator Overloads

## Practice Writing Classes

- Define a class named Profile
- It has two attributes username: str and private: bool
- Write an init method that:
  - takes username input: str as input and initializes the username attribute with that value
  - o initializes the private attribute with the value True
- Write a tweet method that:
  - takes msg: str as input and if the private attribute is False, prints msg
- Instantiate the class by creating user1, a Profile with the username 110\_rulez
- Change user1's private attribute to False
- Call tweet for user1 with the message "OOP is cool!"

#### Review

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"""Practice writing a class."""
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    # Definition
    class Profile:
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        username: str
        private: bool
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        def __init__(self, username_input: str):
            """Create a new Profile object."""
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            self.username = username_input
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            self.private = True
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        def tweet(self, msg: str) -> None:
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            """If profile is public, print msg."""
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            if self.private is False: # not self.private
                print(msg)
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    # Instantiation
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    user1: Profile = Profile("110_rulez") # calls __init__()
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    user1.private = False
    user1.tweet("00P is cool!")
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```

### Review

What are unique properties of the \_\_init\_\_ method? (What sets it apart from other methods?)

## Magic Methods

- Methods with built in functionality!
- Not called directly!
- Names start and end with two underscores (\_\_<method\_name>\_\_)

### Question

When I call print(x), Python calls what magic method on x *before* printing?

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#### Let's try it together!

Let's define a \_\_str\_\_ magic method that returns a string of information about a Profile object.

## **Operator Overloads**

- You can write magic methods to give operators meaning!
- Think about operators you use on numbers that you'd like to use on other objects, e.g. +, -, \*, /, <, <=, etc...</li>
- This is called operator overloading

## Arithmetic Operator Overloads

+	add(self, other)
_	sub(self, other)
*	mul(self, other)
/	truediv(self, other)
**	pow(self, other)
%	mod(self, other)

## Comparison Operator Overloads

<	lt(self, other)
>	gt(self, other)
<=	le(self, other)
>=	ge(self, other)
==	eq(self, other)
!=	ne(self, other)

# For each magic method call, what is self and (if applicable) what is other?

str(a)	str(self)
a + b	add(self, other)
a – b	sub(self, other)
a * b	mul(self, other)
a < b	lt(self, other)
a == b	eq(self, other)

## Bonus: Union Types

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Say I have: def add(x: int, y: int = 1) -> int:
return x + y
```

and I want this function to work for ints or floats...

I can express this using the Union operator:

```
def add(x: int | float, y: int | float = 1) -> int | float:
    return x + y
```

## Next Class: Challenge Question!

\*You are going to use union types!