

Object-Oriented Programming in Python

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Objectives

1. Introduce basic programming concepts
2. Understand the main characteristics of Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)
3. Use Python to implement class hierarchies
4. Use class libraries: Arcade

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Understanding concepts

Differentiate between ...

Programming

Set of techniques that allow the development of programs using a programming language.

Programming language

Set of rules and instructions based on a familiar syntax and later translated into machine language which allow the elaboration of a program to solve a problem.

Paradigm

Set of rules, patterns and styles of programming that are used by programming languages.

Programming paradigms types (I)

Declarative programming

Describe **what** is used to calculate through conditions, propositions, statements, etc., but does not specify **how**.

- **Logic:** follows the first order predicate logic in order to formalize facts of the real world. (Prolog)
 - Example: Anne's father is Raul, Raul's mother is Agnes. Who is Ana's grandmother
- **Functional:** it is based on the evaluation of functions (like maths) recursively (Lisp y Haskell).
 - Example: the factorial from 0 and 1 is 1 and n is the factorial from $n * \text{factorial}(n-1)$. What is the factorial from 3?

Programming paradigms types (II)

Imperative programming

Describes, by a set of instructions that change the **program state**, **how** the task should be implemented.

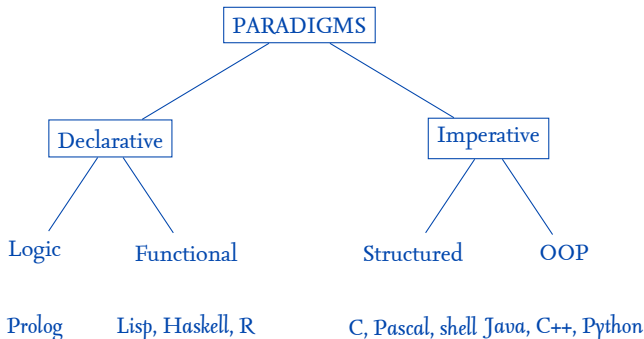
- **Structural:** is based on nesting, loops, conditionals and subroutines. (C, Pascal, Python).
 - Example: reviewing products of a shopping list and add the item X to the shopping if it is available.
- **Object-Oriented Programming:** is based on objects and classes (C++, Java, Python)

Arcade supports both paradigms

There are many other paradigms such as Event-Driven programming, Concurrent, Reactive, Generic, etc.

Programming paradigms types (IV)

Classification



Python supports the three major paradigms, although it stands out for the OOP

Object-Oriented Programming

Objectives

- **Reusability:** Ability of software elements to serve for the construction of many different applications.
- **Extensibility:** Ease of adapting software products to specification changes.
- **Maintainability:** Amount of effort necessary for a product to maintain its normal functionality.
- **Usability:** Ease of using the tool.

Object-Oriented Programming

Concepts (I)

Class

Generic entity that groups attributes and functions

Attribute

Individual characteristics that determine the qualities of an object



Method

Function responsible for performing operations



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Concepts (IV)

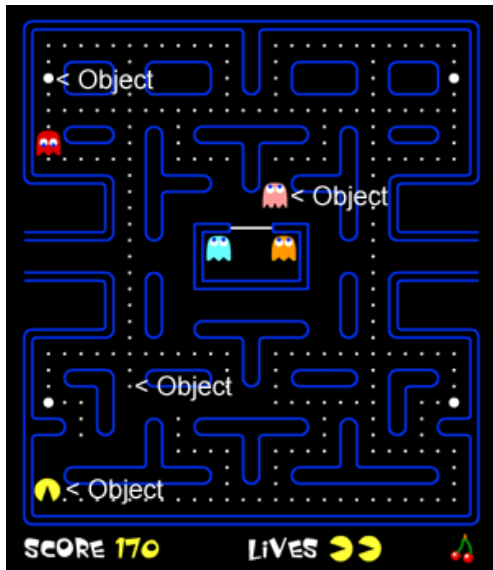
Object or instance

Specific representation of a class, namely, a class member with their corresponding attributes.



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Concepts (V)



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Object-Oriented Programming

Concepts (VI)

Two operations on classes

Instantiation

Creates a new object
Standard functional notation

```
x = MyClass()
```

Example

```
>>> snoopy = Dog()  
>>> laika = Dog("Laika")
```

Attribute references

Accesses an attribute value
Standard dot syntax

```
obj.name
```

Example

```
>>> snoopy.name = "Snoopy"  
>>> print(snoopy.name)  
>>> name = snoopy.name
```

Object-Oriented Programming

Constructors (I)

Constructor

Method called when an object is created. It allows the initialization of attributes.



Concepts of OOP

Constructors (II)

Instantiation creates empty objects

- We usually need to initialize attributes
- Initialization operations

Constructor: Method called when an object is created

- In Python, it is the `__init__()`
- A constructor can get arguments

dog.py

```
1 class Dog:
2     def __init__(self, name="Unknown", age=0):
3         # Constructor
4         self.name = name        # Attribute
5         self.age = age          # Attribute
6
7     def bit(self):               # Method
8         print(self.name + " has bitten")
9
10    def describe(self):          # Method
11        print("Name: ", self.name)
12        print("Age: ", self.age)
13
14    if __name__ == '__main__':
15        snoopy = Dog() # Instantiate class Dog ...
16        laika = Dog("Laika")
17        # snoopy and laika are objects
18
19        snoopy.name = "Snoopy"
20        snoopy.age = 4
21
22        snoopy.bit()
23        snoopy.describe()
24
25        print() # Print empty line
26        laika.age = 10
27        laika.describe()
```

Output

```
Snoopy has bitten
Name:  Snoopy
Age:   4

Name:  Laika
Age:   10
```

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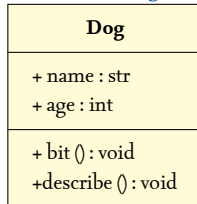
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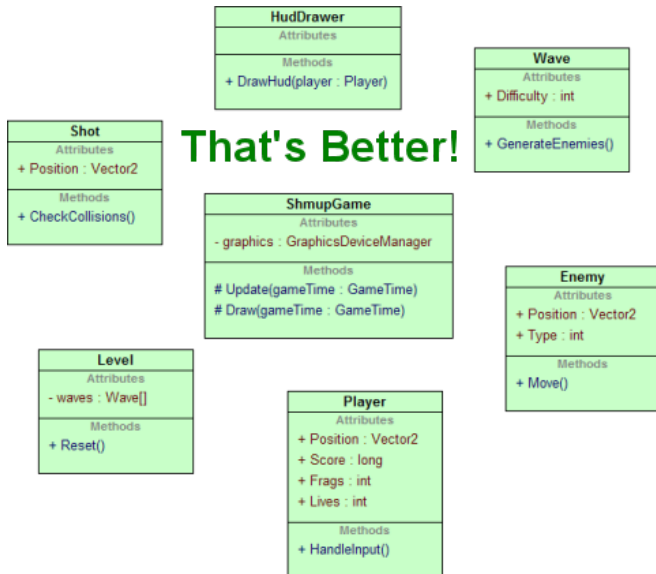
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UML class diagram



Object-Oriented Programming

OO game example



Inheritance

Definition

Inheritance

Mechanism of **reusing** code in OOP. Consists of generating child classes from other existing (**super-class**) allowing the use and adaptation of the attributes and methods of the parent class to the child class

A subclass inherits all the attributes and methods from its superclass

- Superclass: “Father” of a class
- Subclass: “Child” of a class

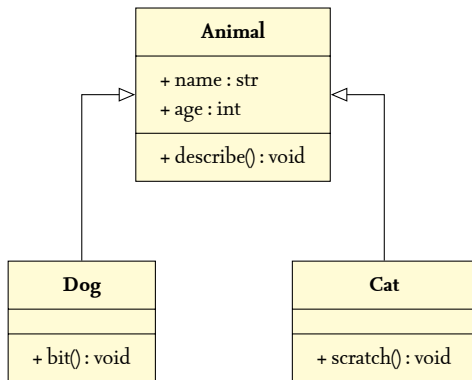
Inheritance

Examples of simple inheritance (I)

Dog	Cat
+ name : str + age : int	+ name : str + age : int
+ bit() : void + describe() : void	+ scratch() : void + describe() : void

Inheritance

Examples of simple inheritance (II)



```
class Animal:
    def __init__(self):
        self.name = "Unknown"
        self.age = 10

    def describe(self):
        print("Name: ", self.name)
        print("Age: ", self.age)

class Dog(Animal):
    def bit(self):
        print(self.name + " has bitten")

class Cat(Animal):
    def scratch(self):
        print(self.name + " has scratched")

if __name__ == '__main__':
    snoopy = Dog()
    garfield = Cat()

    snoopy.name = "Snoopy"
    garfield.name = "Garfield"

    snoopy.bit()
    garfield.scratch()

    garfield.bit() # Error!
```

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Inheritance

Examples of simple inheritance (III)

Class hierarchy: A set of classes related by inheritance

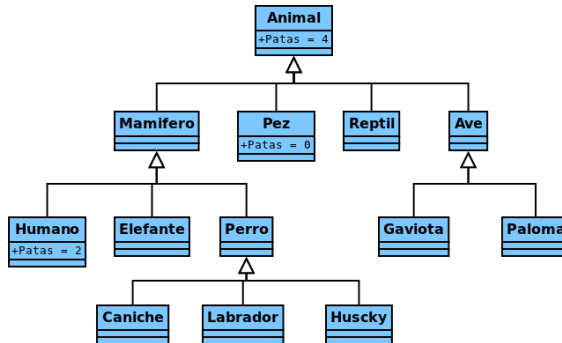


Figura 1: Example of simple Inheritance in OOP. Obtained from: <http://android.scenebeta.com>

Inheritance

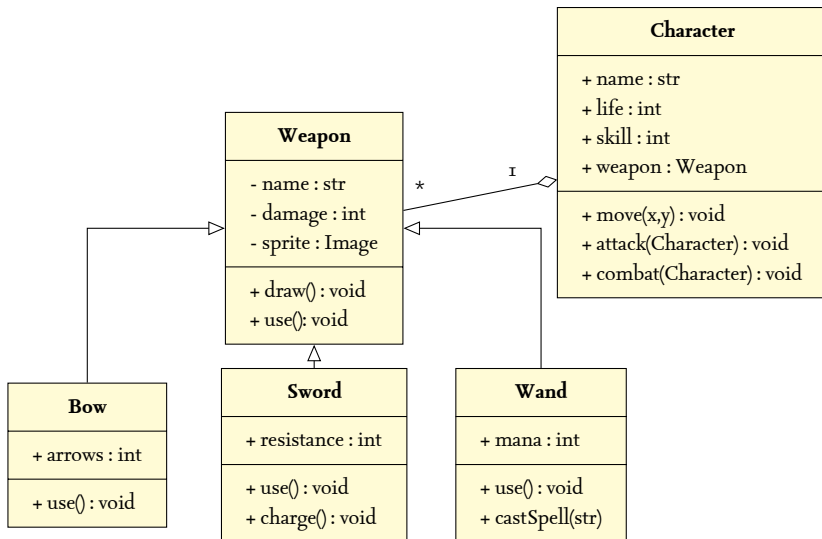
Examples of simple inheritance (IV)



("Comments on my design v3 - Stack Overflow," 2011)

Inheritance

Examples of simple inheritance (V)



Inheritance

Types of inheritance (I)

Types of inheritance

- If the child class inherits from a single class is called **single inheritance**.
- if it inherits from more classes is **multiple inheritance**.

Python allows both; simple and multiple inheritance.

Inheritance

Types of inheritance (II)

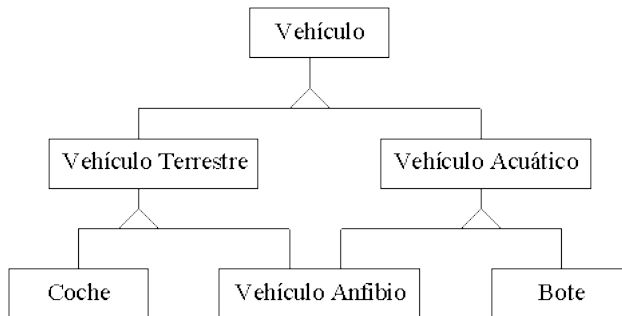


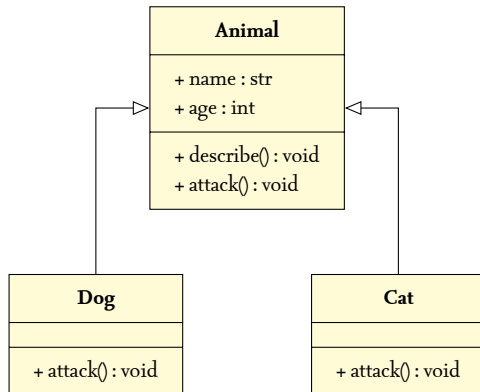
Figura 2: Example of multiple Inheritance in OOP. Obtained from: <http://www.avizora.com>

Concepts of OOP

Polymorphism (I)

Polymorphism

Mechanism of object-oriented programming that allows to invoke a method whose implementation will depend on the object that does it.



```
class Animal:
    def __init__(self):
        self.name = "Unknown"
        self.age = 10

    def describe(self):
        print("Name: ", self.name)
        print("Age: ", self.age)

    def attack(self):
        pass

class Dog(Animal):
    def attack(self):
        print(self.name + " has bitten")

class Cat(Animal):
    def attack(self):
        print(self.name + " has scratched")

if __name__ == '__main__':
    snoopy = Dog()
    snoopy.name = "Snoopy"
    garfield = Cat()
    garfield.name = "Garfield"

    for animal in (snoopy, garfield):
        animal.attack()
```

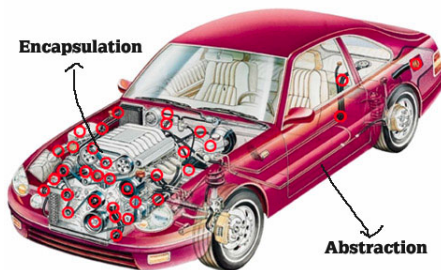
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Encapsulation (I)

Encapsulation

Mechanism use to provide an access level to methods and attributes for avoiding unexpected state changes



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Encapsulation (II)

The most common access levels are:

- **public:** visible for everyone , default in Python
- **private:** visible for the class
 - By convention in Python, starts with one underscore
 - ‘Superprivate’ starts with a double underscore and does not end in the same manner
- **protected:** visible for the creator class and its descendents [it does not exist in Python]

“Getters” and “setters” methods to control the access to attributes

```
class Dog:
    def __init__(self, name="Unknown", age=10):
        self._name = name
        self.__age = age

    def setName(self, name):
        self._name = name

    def getName(self):
        return self._name

    def setAge(self, age):
        if age > 0:
            self.__age = age

    def getAge(self):
        return self.__age

if __name__ == '__main__':
    snoopy = Dog()
    snoopy.setName("Snoopy")
    print(snoopy.getName())

    snoopy._name = "Laika" # No error, but please, DON'T do this

    print(snoopy.__name) # Error!
```

Concepts of OOP

Encapsulation: The “pythonic” way (I)

Getters and setters come with some drawbacks

- Verbose and repetitive code
- Linked to the API

A more pythonic way to define getters and setters is using **properties**

- It is a **decorator** that transforms methods into getters or setters

@property: Getter

@object.setter: Setter

- Nevertheless, getters and setters are still used in Python under certain circumstances

Better with an example ...

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Encapsulation: The “pythonic” way (II)

```
class Dog:
    def __init__(self, name="Unknown", age=0):
        self._name = name

    @property
    def name(self):
        return self._name

    @name.setter
    def name(self, name):
        self._name=name.upper()

if __name__ == '__main__':
    snoopy = Dog()
    snoopy.name = "Snoopy" # Calls setter

    print(snoopy.name)     # Calls getter
                           # prints 'SNOOPY'
```

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Other special methods

In addition to special method `__init__`, there are several others, including:

- `__str__(self)` It should return a string with information
- `__len__(self)` It should return the length or “size” of object (number of elements if is a set or queue)

```
class Inventory:
    def __init__(self, items=[]):
        self._items = items

    def __str__(self):
        return ': '.join(self._items)

    def __len__(self):
        return len(self._items)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    inventory = Inventory(["map", "key"])
    print(inventory)          # Outputs "map: key"
    print(len(inventory))    # Outputs "2"
```

Concepts of OOP

Overriding methods (I)

Often we need to adapt an inheritanced method: **Overriding**

Overriding example

```
class A:
    def hello(self):
        print("A says hello")

class B(A):
    def hello(self):
        print("B says hello")

b = B()
b.hello()
```

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Overriding methods (II)

Still possible to get superclass' method with `super()`

`super()` example

```
class A:
    def hello(self):
        print("A says hello")

class B(A):
    def hello(self):
        print("B says hello")
        super().hello()

b = B()
b.hello()
```

```
1 import arcade
2
3 SCREEN_WIDTH = 800
4 SCREEN_HEIGHT = 600
5
6 class MyGame(arcade.Window):
7     """ Our Custom Window Class """
8
9     def __init__(self):
10         """ Initializer """
11
12         # Call the parent class initializer
13         super().__init__(SCREEN_WIDTH, SCREEN_HEIGHT, "My Game")
14
15     def on_draw(self):
16         arcade.start_render()
17
18
19 def main():
20     window = MyGame()
21     arcade.run()
22
23
24 main()
```

```
1 import arcade
2
3 class MyGame(arcade.Window):
4     def __init__(self, width, height, title):
5         super().__init__(width, height, title)
6
7         arcade.set_background_color(arcade.color.ASH_GREY)
8
9         self.ball_x = 50
10        self.ball_y = 50
11
12    def on_draw(self):
13        arcade.start_render()
14
15        arcade.draw_circle_filled(self.ball_x, self.ball_y, 15,
16                                   arcade.color.AUBURN)
17
18    def update(self, delta_time):
19        self.ball_x += 1
20        self.ball_y += 1
21
22    def main():
23        window = MyGame(640, 480, "Drawing Example")
24        arcade.run()
25
26 main()
```

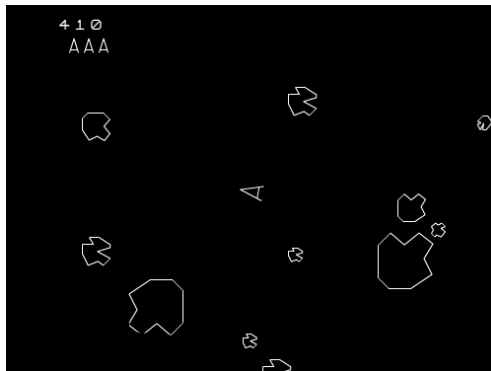
Arcade

The `arcade.Window` class.

- `on_draw()`. Override this function to add your custom drawing code
- `on_update(delta_time: float)`. Move everything. Perform collision checks. Do all the game logic here
- `on_key_release(symbol: int, modifiers: int)`
- `on_mouse_release(x: float, y: float, button: int, modifiers: int)`.
Override this function to add mouse button functionality
- `set_viewport(left: float, right: float, bottom: float, top: float)`.
Set the coordinates we can see

Check out (reference documentation)

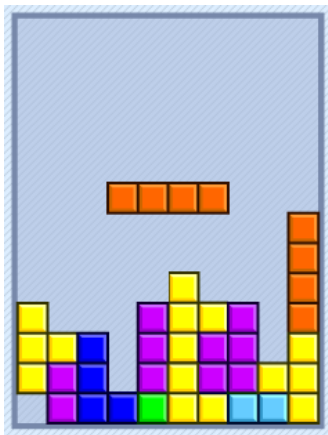
Exercise 1: Asteroids



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1. Identify the classes in the Asteroids videogame
2. Identify attributes contained in the previous classes
3. Identify methods contained in the previous classes

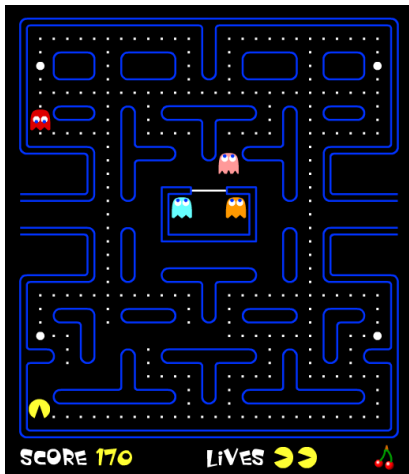
Exercise 2: Tetris



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1. Identify the classes in the Tetris videogame
2. Identify attributes contained in the previous classes
3. Identify methods contained in the previous classes

Exercise 3: Pac-Man



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1. Identify the classes in the Pac-Man videogame
2. Identify attributes contained in the previous classes
3. Identify methods contained in the previous classes