

## Review of Topics so far

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# What is a Dynamic Language?

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- ▶ dynamic typing
- ▶ reflection
- ▶ “late-bound everything”

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also it is often:

- ▶ interactive
- ▶ GC
- ▶ object oriented

# What is an Object?

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State + Behaviour

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1. Everything is an Object
2. Every Object has a type

# How do Message Sends Work?

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- ▶ *consist of two steps, lookup and call*
- ▶ *implementation of a message is called “method”*

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two (independent) distinctions:

- ▶ *class vs. prototype-based*
- ▶ *single vs. multiple inheritance*

# What are Attribute-Based Programming Languages?

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- ▶ *the steps lookup and call exist separately in the language*
- ▶ *the lookup of data attributes must be done as part of lookup*

# What are Special Methods?



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- ▶ *special methods are used to customize the behaviour of objects*
- ▶ *are needed in a language of non-uniform syntax*

# What are Generators?

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- ▶ *provide a convenient way to implement an iterator*
- ▶ *break normal stack-discipline*

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- ▶ *Compiling Dynamic Languages?*
- ▶ *JIT Compilers*
- ▶ *AST vs. Bytecode Interpreters*
- ▶ *Object model*