

PYTHON OOPs

Attributes : Class attributes are the attributes which are owned by the class itself.

- Attributes will be shared by all the instances of the class. So, they have the same value for every instance.
- Class Attribute are placed outside of all methods in class . Generally they are placed immediately after class header.

Example :

```
class Support:

    A = "python supports OOPs concepts"

x = Support()

print (x.A)
```

Output :

```
python supports OOPs concepts
```

- In example we can say that here Support is a class with class attribute as A which is instantiated to an object x.

Accessing Attributes : After declaring the attributes to access these attributes in the class we can use **dot operator(.)** along with the object to which the class is instantiated.

- To access the class attributes we have to use class names.

Example :

```
class Student:

    'First class attribute'

    stdCount = 0

    def __init__(self,name,department):

        self.name = name

        self.department = department

        Student.stdCount += 1
```

```

        def studentdetails(self):
            print
("Name:",self.name,"department:",self.department)

std1=Student("Rajesh","Electrical")
std2 = Student("Shekar","Civil")
print (std1.studentdetails())
print (std1.name)
print (std2.department)
print (Student.stdCount)

```

Output :

```

Name: Rajesh department: Electrical
Rajesh
Civil
2

```

- In the example we declared a class attribute as stdCount and methods which contains attributes.

- Method attributes can be accessed with objname.attributename.
- Class attributes are accessed using classname.attributename.

Functions for Class Attributes :

- **setattr(obj,name,value)** help to set an attribute. If it does not exist it will create a attribute with the name specified.

- **getattr(obj,name[,default])** is used to access a attribute in the object.

- **hasattr(obj,name)** check whether the attribute with the specified name exist in object or not.

- **delattr(obj,name)** function will delete the attribute from the object.

Example:

```

class Student:

```

```

def __init__(self,name,department):

    self.name = name

    self.department = department

def studentdetails(self):

    print

    ("Name:",self.name,"department:",self.department)

std1=Student("Rajesh","Electrical")

print (hasattr(std1,'name'))

setattr(std1,'department','Civil')

print (getattr(std1,'department'))

delattr(std1,'name')

print (getattr(std1,'department'))

print (getattr(std1,'name'))

```

Output :

True

Civil

Civil

Traceback (most recent call last):

File "attributes.py", line 17, in <module>

print (std1.studentdetails())

File "attributes.py", line 9, in studentdetails

print ("Name:",self.name,"department:",self.department)

AttributeError: 'Student' object has no attribute 'name'

- In example we used attribute function and accessed and changed value of the attributes.

- Change the value of department to civil by using setattr and checked department attribute exist or not with hasattr and deleted the name attribute using delattr.

- Here it shows error when tried to get name attribute value because we have already deleted the name attribute from the object.

Built-in functions : Python has some built in function that are used to get information about the attributes.

- These built-in function names are prefixed and suffixed using underscore.

- **__dict__**: It will display a dictionary containing all attributes along with its values of the class.

- **__doc__**: It will print the documentation of the class if exist and None if not defined.

- **__name__**: It will give the name of the class.

- **__module__**: It will return the module name in which it is defined otherwise it will return “__main__”.

- **__bases__**: This is used in inheritance when we use parent and child class. It will check where the class is base class are a child of another class and return the base class name.

Example:

```
class Student:
    'First class attribute'
    def __init__(self,name,department):
        self.name = name
        self.department = department
    def studentdetails(self):
        print
        ("Name:",self.name,"department:",self.department)
        print (Student.__doc__)
        print (Student.__name__)
        print (Student.__module__)
        print (Student.__bases__)
```

```
print (Student.__dict__)
```

Output :

```
First class attribute
```

```
Student
```

```
__main__
```

```
(<class 'object'>,)
```

```
{'__module__': '__main__', '__doc__': 'First class  
attribute', '__init__': <function Student.__init__ at 0x0000025EDAD0F620>, 'studentdetails':  
<function Student.studentdetails at 0x0000025EDAD0F6A8>, '__dict__': <attribute  
'__dict__' of 'Student' objects>, '__weakref__': <attribute '__weakref__' of 'Student'  
objects>}.}
```