

# Python Tutorial

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## 12. Classes and Objects in Python

- Python is an **object-oriented programming language**.
- Unlike procedure-oriented programming, where the main emphasis is on functions, object-oriented programming stresses on objects.
- An **object** is simply a collection of data (variables) and methods (functions) that act on those data.
- Similarly, a **class** is a blueprint for that object.
- Like function definitions begin with the **def** keyword in Python, class definitions begin with a **class** keyword.
- The first string inside the class is called **docstring** and has a brief description of the class.
- Although not mandatory, this is highly recommended.

```
class Student:

    school_name = 'ABC School'  ← Class Variables

    def __init__(self, name, age):  ← Constructor to initialize
        self.name = name           Instance variables
        self.age = age

    @classmethod
    def change_school(cls, name):  ← cls refer to the Class
        print(Student.school_name) ← Access Class Variables
        Student.school_name = name ← Modify Class Variables

jessa = Student('Jessa', 14)
Student.change_school('XYZ School') ← Call Class Method
```

### Create a class

In [40]:

```
1 class Data:
2     num = 3.14
3
4 print(Data)
```

<class '\_\_main\_\_.Data'>

### Create an object

In [41]:

```
1 class Data:
2     num = 3.14
3
4 var = Data()
5 print(var.num)
```

3.14

## Function init()

In [43]:

```
1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, euler_number, pi_number, golden_ratio):
3         self.euler_number = euler_number
4         self.pi_number = pi_number
5         self.golden_ratio = golden_ratio
6
7 val = Data(2.718, 3.14, 1.618)
8
9 print(val.euler_number)
10 print(val.golden_ratio)
11 print(val.pi_number)
```

2.718  
1.618  
3.14

## Methods

In [45]:

```
1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, euler_number, pi_number, golden_ratio):
3         self.euler_number = euler_number
4         self.pi_number = pi_number
5         self.golden_ratio = golden_ratio
6     def msg_function(self):
7         print("The euler number is", self.euler_number)
8         print("The golden ratio is", self.golden_ratio)
9         print("The pi number is", self.pi_number)
10
11 val = Data(2.718, 3.14, 1.618)
12 val.msg_function()
```

The euler number is 2.718  
The golden ratio is 1.618  
The pi number is 3.14

## Self parameter

- The **self parameter** is a reference to the current instance of the class, and is used to access variables that belongs to the class.
- It does not have to be named **self**, you can call it whatever you like, but it has to be the **first parameter** of any function in the **class**.
- Check the following example:

In [46]:

```
1  """
2  The following codes are the same as the above codes under the title 'Methods'.
3  You see that the output is the same, but this codes contain 'classFirstParameter' instead of 'self'.
4  """
5  class Data:
6      def __init__(classFirstParameter, euler_number, pi_number, golden_ratio):
7          classFirstParameter.euler_number = euler_number
8          classFirstParameter.pi_number = pi_number
9          classFirstParameter.golden_ratio = golden_ratio
10
11     def msg_function(classFirstParameter):
12         print("The euler number is", classFirstParameter.euler_number)
13         print("The golden ratio is", classFirstParameter.golden_ratio)
14         print("The pi number is", classFirstParameter.pi_number)
15
16     val = Data(2.718, 3.14, 1.618)
17     val.msg_function()
```

The euler number is 2.718

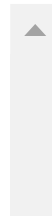
The golden ratio is 1.618

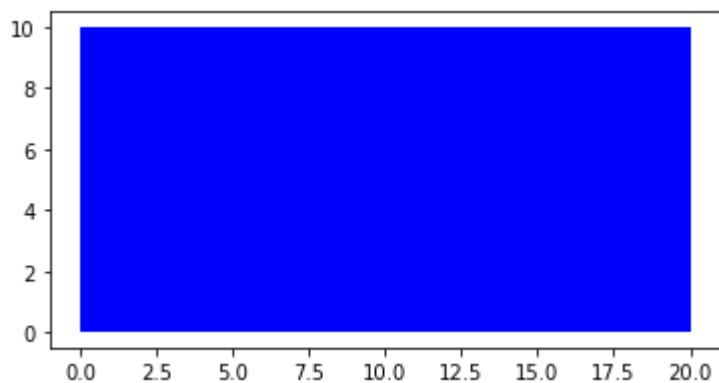
The pi number is 3.14

## Creating a Class to draw a Rectangle

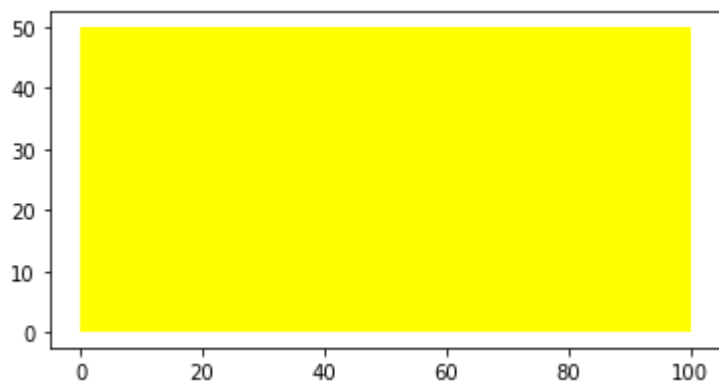
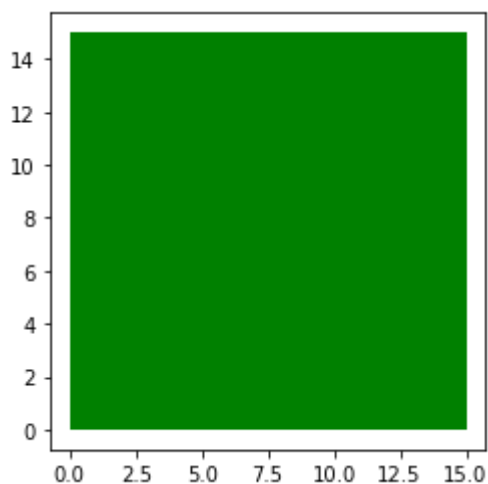
In [1]:

```
1  # Creating a class to draw a rectangle
2  class Rectangle(object):
3
4      # Contructor
5      def __init__(self, width, height, color):
6          self.width = width
7          self.height = height
8          self.color = color
9
10     # Method
11     def drawRectangle(self):
12         plt.gca().add_patch(plt.Rectangle((0, 0), self.width, self.height, fc=self.color))
13         plt.axis('scaled')
14         plt.show()
15
16     # import library to draw the Rectangle
17     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
18     %matplotlib inline
19
20     # creating an object blue rectangle
21     one_Rectangle = Rectangle(20, 10, 'blue')
22
23     # Printing the object attribute width
24     print(one_Rectangle.width)
25
26     # Printing the object attribute height
27     print(one_Rectangle.height)
28
29     # Printing the object attribute color
30     print(one_Rectangle.color)
31
32     # Drawing the object
33     one_Rectangle.drawRectangle()
34
35     # Learning the methods that can be utilized on the object 'one_rectangle'
36     print(dir(one_Rectangle))
37
38     # We can change the properties of the rectangle
39     one_Rectangle.width = 15
40     one_Rectangle.height = 15
41     one_Rectangle.color = 'green'
42     one_Rectangle.drawRectangle()
43
44     # Using new variables, we can change the properties of the rectangle
45     two_Rectangle = Rectangle(100, 50, 'yellow')
46     two_Rectangle.drawRectangle()
47
48
```

20  
10



```
['_class__', '__delattr__', '__dict__', '__dir__', '__doc__', '__eq__', '__format__', '__ge__', '__getattribute__', '__gt__', '__hash__', '__init__', '__init_subclass__', '__le__', '__lt__', '__module__', '__ne__', '__new__', '__reduce__', '__reduce_ex__', '__repr__', '__setattr__', '__sizeof__', '__str__', '__subclasshook__', '__weakref__', 'color', 'drawRectangle', 'height', 'width']
```



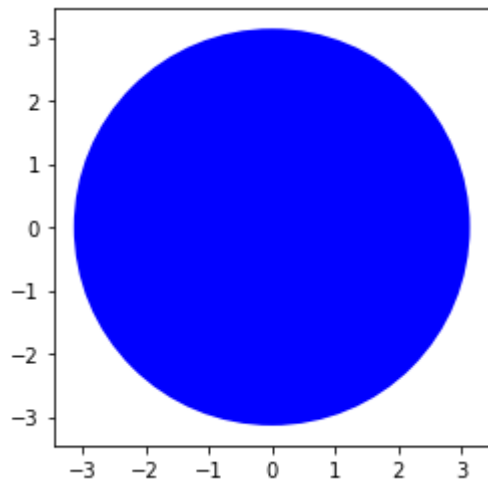
## Creating a class to draw a circle

In [3]:

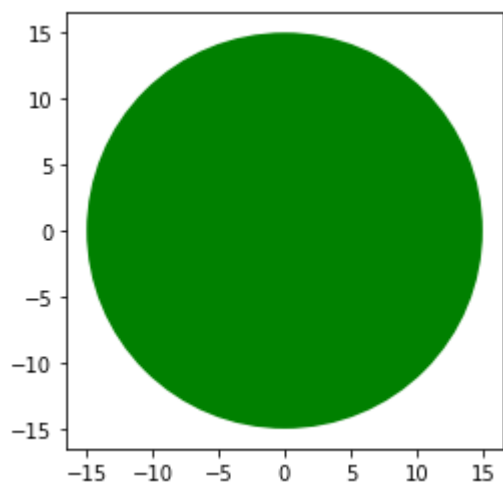
```
1  # Creating a class to draw a circle
2  class Circle(object):
3
4      # Contructor
5      def __init__(self, radius, color):
6          self.radius = radius
7          self.color = color
8
9      # Method
10     def increase_radius(self, r):
11         self.radius = self.radius + r
12         return self.radius
13
14     # Method
15     def drawCircle(self):
16         plt.gca().add_patch(plt.Circle((0, 0), self.radius, fc=self.color))
17         plt.axis('scaled')
18         plt.show()
19
20 # import library to draw the circle
21 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
22 %matplotlib inline
23
24 # creating an object blue circle
25 one_Circle = Circle(3.14, 'blue')
26
27 # Printing the object attribute radius
28 print(one_Circle.radius)
29
30 # Printing the object attribute color
31 print(one_Circle.color)
32
33 # Drawing the object
34 one_Circle.drawCircle()
35
36 # Learning the methods that can be utilized on the object 'one_rectangle'
37 print(dir(one_Circle))
38
39 # We can change the properties of the rectangle
40 one_Circle.radius = 15
41 one_Circle.color = 'green'
42 one_Circle.drawCircle()
43
44 # Using new variables, we can change the properties of the rectangle
45 two_Circle = Circle(100, 'yellow')
46 print(two_Circle.radius)
47 print(two_Circle.color)
48 two_Circle.drawCircle()
49
50 # Changing the radius of the object
51 print('Before increment: ', one_Circle.radius)
52 one_Circle.drawCircle()
53
54 # Increment by 15 units
55 one_Circle.increase_radius(15)
56 print('Increase the radius by 15 units: ', one_Circle.radius)
57 one_Circle.drawCircle()
58
59 # Increment by 30 units
```

```
60 one_Circle.increase_radius(30)
61 print('Increase the radius by 30 units: ', one_Circle.radius)
62 one_Circle.drawCircle()
```

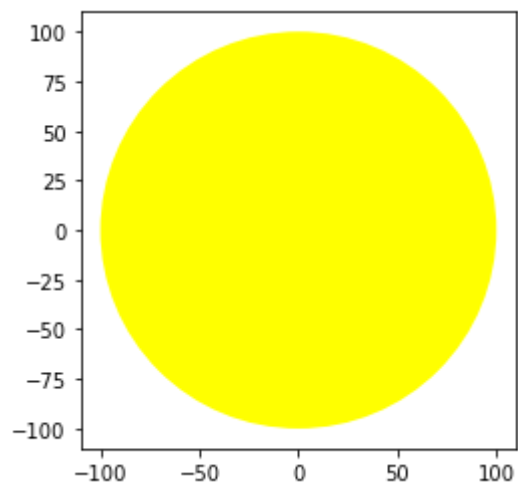
3.14  
blue



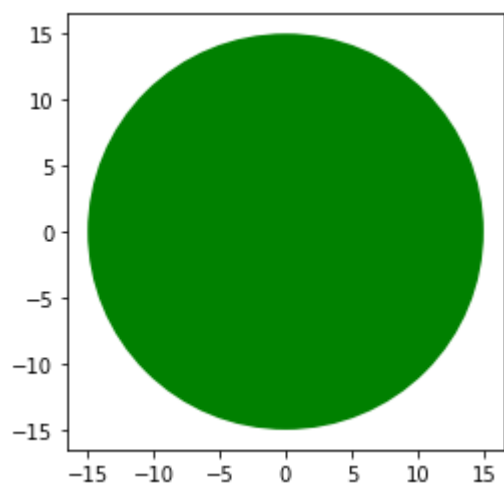
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['__class__', '__delattr__', '__dict__', '__dir__', '__doc__', '__eq__', '__format__', '__ge__', '__getattribute__', '__gt__', '__hash__', '__init__', '__init_subclass__', '__le__', '__lt__', '__module__', '__ne__', '__new__', '__reduce__', '__reduce_ex__', '__repr__', '__setattr__', '__sizeof__', '__str__', '__subclasshook__', '__weakref__', 'color', 'drawCircle', 'increase_radius', 'radius']
```



100  
yellow

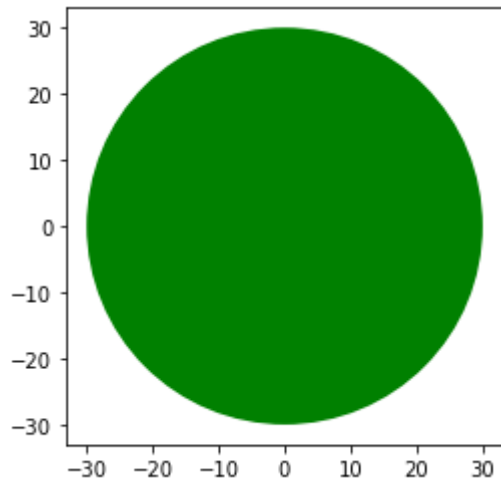


Before increment: 15

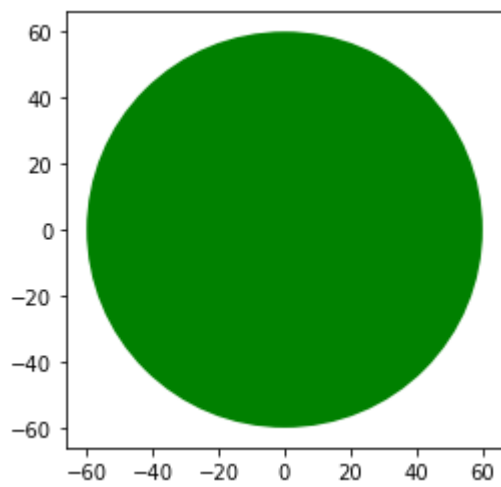




Increase the radius by 15 units: 30



Increase the radius by 30 units: 60



## Some examples

In [36]:

```
1 class SpecialNumbers:
2     euler_constant = 0.577
3     euler_number = 2.718
4     pi_number = 3.14
5     golden_ratio = 1.618
6     msg = 'These numbers are special.'
7
8 special_numbers = SpecialNumbers()
9 print('The euler number is', getattr(special_numbers, 'euler_number'))
10 print('The golden ratio is', special_numbers.golden_ratio)
11 print('The pi number is', getattr(special_numbers, 'pi_number'))
12 print('The message is ', getattr(special_numbers, 'msg'))
```

The euler number is 2.718

The golden ratio is 1.618

The pi number is 3.14

The message is These numbers are special.

In [37]:

```

1 class SpecialNumbers:
2     euler_constant = 0.577
3     euler_number = 2.718
4     pi = 3.14
5     golden_ratio = 1.618
6     msg = 'These numbers are special.'
7
8     def parameter(self):
9         print(self.euler_constant, self.euler_number, self.pi, self.golden_ratio, self.msg)
10
11 special_numbers = SpecialNumbers()
12 special_numbers.parameter()
13 delattr(SpecialNumbers, 'msg') # The code deleted the 'msg'.
14 special_numbers.parameter()    # Since the code deleted the 'msg', it returns an AttributeError.

```

0.577 2.718 3.14 1.618 These numbers are special.

```

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AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
~\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_15364\3719874998.py in <module>
    12 special_numbers.parameter()
    13 delattr(SpecialNumbers, 'msg') # The code deleted the 'msg'.
--> 14 special_numbers.parameter()    # Since the code deleted the 'msg', it returns an AttributeErr
or.

```

```

~\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_15364\3719874998.py in parameter(self)
    7
    8     def parameter(self):
--> 9         print(self.euler_constant, self.euler_number, self.pi, self.golden_ratio, self.msg)
    10
    11 special_numbers = SpecialNumbers()

```

**AttributeError:** 'SpecialNumbers' object has no attribute 'msg'

In [39]:

```

1 class ComplexNum:
2     def __init__(self, a, b):
3         self.a = a
4         self.b = b
5
6     def data(self):
7         print(f'{self.a}-{self.b}j')
8
9 var = ComplexNum(3.14, 1.618)
10 var.data()

```

3.14-1.618j

## Create a Data Class

In [54]:

```
1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, genus, species):
3         self.genus = genus
4         self.species = species
5
6     def microorganism(self):
7         print(f'The name of a microorganism is in the form of {self.genus} {self.species}.')
8
9     #Use the Data class to create an object, and then execute the microorganism method
10    value = Data('Aspergillus', 'niger')
11    value.microorganism()
```

The name of a microorganism is in the form of Aspergillus niger.

## Create a Child Class in Data Class

In [56]:

```
1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, genus, species):
3         self.genus = genus
4         self.species = species
5
6     def microorganism(self):
7         print(f'The name of a microorganism is in the form of {self.genus} {self.species}.')
8
9     class Recombinant(Data):
10        pass
11
12    value = Recombinant('Aspergillus', 'sojae')
13    value.microorganism()
```

The name of a microorganism is in the form of Aspergillus sojae.

## Addition of init() Functions

In [4]:

```
1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, genus, species):
3         self.genus = genus
4         self.species = species
5
6     def microorganism(self):
7         print(f'The name of a microorganism is in the form of {self.genus} {self.species}.')
8
9 class Recombinant(Data):
10     def __init__(self, genus, species):
11         Data.__init__(self, genus, species)
12
13 value = Recombinant('Aspergillus', 'sojae')
14 value.microorganism()
```

The name of a microorganism is in the form of Aspergillus sojae.

## Addition of super() Function

In [68]:

```
1 class SpecialNumbers(object):
2     def __init__(self, special_numbers):
3         print('6 and 28 are', special_numbers)
4
5 class PerfectNumbers(SpecialNumbers):
6     def __init__(self):
7
8         # call superclass
9         super().__init__('perfect numbers.')
10        print('These numbers are very special in matematik.')
11
12 nums = PerfectNumbers()
```

6 and 28 are perfect numbers.

These numbers are very special in matematik.

In [71]:

```
1 class Animal(object):
2     def __init__(self, AnimalName):
3         print(AnimalName, 'lives in a farm.')
4
5 class Cow(Animal):
6     def __init__(self):
7         print('Cow gives us milk.')
8         super().__init__('Cow')
9
10 result = Cow()
```

Cow gives us milk.

Cow lives in a farm.

In [60]:

```
1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, genus, species):
3         self.genus = genus
4         self.species = species
5
6     def microorganism(self):
7         print(f'The name of a microorganism is in the form of {self.genus} {self.species}.')
8
9 class Recombinant(Data):
10     def __init__(self, genus, species):
11         super().__init__(genus, species)    # 'self' statement in this line was deleted as different from the above codes
12
13 value = Recombinant('Aspergillus', 'sojae')
14 value.microorganism()
```

The name of a microorganism is in the form of Aspergillus sojae.

## Addition of Properties under the super() Function

In [65]:

```
1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, genus, species):
3         self.genus = genus
4         self.species = species
5
6     def microorganism(self):
7         print(f'The name of a microorganism is in the form of {self.genus} {self.species}.')
8
9 class Recombinant(Data):
10     def __init__(self, genus, species):
11         super().__init__(genus, species)
12         self.activity = 2500    # This information was added as a Property
13
14 value = Recombinant('Aspergillus', 'sojae')
15 print(f'The enzyme activity increased to {value.activity} U/mL')
```

The enzyme activity increased to 2500 U/mL.

In [66]:

```

1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, genus, species):
3         self.genus = genus
4         self.species = species
5
6     def microorganism(self):
7         print(f'The name of a microorganism is in the form of {self.genus} {self.species}.')
8
9 class Recombinant(Data):
10     def __init__(self, genus, species, activity):
11         super().__init__(genus, species)
12         self.activity = activity      # This information was added as a Property
13
14 value = Recombinant('Aspergillus', 'sojae', 2500)
15 print(f'The enzyme activity increased to {value.activity} U/mL.')

```

The enzyme activity increased to 2500 U/mL.

## Addition of Methods under the Child Class

In [67]:

```

1 class Data:
2     def __init__(self, genus, species):
3         self.genus = genus
4         self.species = species
5
6     def microorganism(self):
7         print(f'The name of a microorganism is in the form of {self.genus} {self.species}.')
8
9 class Recombinant(Data):
10     def __init__(self, genus, species, activity):
11         super().__init__(genus, species)
12         self.activity = activity      # This information was added as a Property
13
14     def increment(self):
15         print(f'With this new recombinant {self.genus} {self.species} strain, the enzyme activity increased 2-times with {self.activity} U/mL.')
16
17 value = Recombinant('Aspergillus', 'sojae', 2500)
18 value.increment()

```

With this new recombinant Aspergillus sojae strain, the enzyme activity increased 2-times with 2500 U/mL.