

Scientific Programming

Practical 12

Introduction

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Object Oriented Programming (OOP)

In Object Oriented Programming (OOP) objects are **data structures that contain data, which is attributes and functions to work with them**. In OOP programs are made by a set of objects that interact with each other.

Class : (types)
define fields and interface to interact (methods)



Objects :
concrete realization of the class

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Object instantiation:

```
my_class = class_name(p1,...,pn)
```

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```
import math

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Result:

```
<class '__main__.Rectangle'>
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R == R1? False id R:140386175240232 id R1:140386175240288
```

```
R:
Length: 5 Width: 10
Perimeter: 30
Area:50
R's diagonal: 11.18
```

```
R2:
Length: 72 Width: 13
Perimeter: 170
Area:936
R's diagonal: 73.16
```

```
R = Rectangle(5,10)
print(type(R))
R1 = Rectangle(5,10)
print(type(R1))
print("R == R1? {} id R:{} id R1:{}".format(R == R1,
                                             id(R),
                                             id(R1)))

p = R.perimeter()
a = R.area()
d = R.diagonal()
print("\nR:\nLength: {} Width: {}\nPerimeter: {}\nArea:{}".format(R.length,
                                                                    R.width,
                                                                    p,
                                                                    a))

print("R's diagonal: {:.2f}".format(d))
R2 = Rectangle(72,13)
p = R2.perimeter()
a = R2.area()
d = R2.diagonal()
print("\nR2:\nLength: {} Width: {}\nPerimeter: {}\nArea:{}".format(R2.length,
                                                                    R2.width,
                                                                    p,
                                                                    a))

print("R's diagonal: {:.2f}".format(d))
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```
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    def __init__(self, arg1,arg2, arg3):  
        self.a1 = arg1  
        self.__a2 = arg2  
        self.__a3 = arg3
```

Attribute a1 is publically available
Attribute a2 and a3 are private

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        self.__a3 = arg3

M = MyClass(1,2,3)

print(M.a1)
print(M.a2)
```

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```
-----
AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-30-b49350c634aa> in <module>()
      8
      9 print(M.a1)
----> 10 print(M.a2)
```

AttributeError: 'MyClass' object has no attribute 'a2'

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Use getters/setters:

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class MyClass:
    def __init__(self, arg1, arg2, arg3):
        self.a1 = arg1
        self.__a2 = arg2
        self.__a3 = arg3

    def getA1(self):
        return self.a1

    def getA2(self):
        return self.__a2

    def getA3(self):
        return self.__a3

M = MyClass(1,2,3)

print(M.a1)
print(M.getA2())
```

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Special methods

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<code>__eq__(self, other)</code>	<code>self == other</code>
<code>__lt__(self, other)</code>	<code>self < other</code>
<code>__len__(self)</code>	<code>len(self)</code>
<code>__str__(self)</code>	<code>str(self)</code>

<https://docs.python.org/3/reference/datamodel.html?#special-method-names>

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```
class MyClass:
    def __init__(self):
        self.a1 = ["str1", "str2", "str3"]

    def __add__(self, myint):
        tmp = []
        for i in range(len(self.a1)):
            tmp.append(self.a1[i] + "__" + str(myint))
        return tmp

M = MyClass()

print(M.a1)
print(M + 1234)

['str1', 'str2', 'str3']
['str1__1234', 'str2__1234', 'str3__1234']
```

Inheritance and overriding

One object can **inherit** the attributes and methods from another object. This establishes a "Is-a" relationship between the two objects. The first object is called **subclass** of the original class. A subclass inherits all the methods and attributes of the **superclass**, but it can also redefine some methods through a process called **overriding**.

```
class MySuperClass:
    ...
    def myMethod(self,...):
        ...

class MySubClass(MySuperClass):
    ...
    def myMethod(self,...):
        ...
```

Inheritance and overriding

```
class Person:
```

```
    def __init__(self, name, surname, age):
        self.name = name
        self.surname = surname
        self.age = age

    def getInfo(self):
        return "{} {} is aged {}".format(self.name,
                                           self.surname,
                                           self.age)
```

```
class Dad(Person):
```

```
    children = []

    def addChildren(self, children):
        self.children = children

    def addChild(self, child):
        self.children.append(child)

    def getChildren(self):
        return self.children

    def getInfo(self):
        personalInfo = "{} {} is aged {}".format(self.name,
                                                  self.surname,
                                                  self.age)

        childrInfo = ""
        for son in self.getChildren():
            childrInfo += " - {}'s child is {} {}".format(
                self.name, son.name, son.surname) + "\n"

        return personalInfo + "\n" + childrInfo
```


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```
jade = Person("Jade", "Smith", 5)
print(jade.getInfo())
john = Person("John", "Smith", 4)
tim = Person("Tim", "Smith", 1)
dan = Dad("Dan", "Smith", 45)
dan.addChildren([jade, john])
dan.addChild(tim)
print(dan.getInfo())
```

Jade Smith is aged 5

Dan Smith is aged 45

- Dan's child is Jade Smith
- Dan's child is John Smith
- Dan's child is Tim Smith

Functional programming

Programs as if they were stateless mathematical functions

- `map`: `map(f, input_list)` applies the function `f` to all the elements of `input_list`;
- `filter`: `filter(f, input_list)` filters `input_list` based on a function `f` that returns true or false for each of the input elements;
- `reduce`: `reduce(f, input_list)` applies the function `f` to the first two elements of the input list, then it applies it to the result and to the third element and so on until the end of the list is reached and one value only is returned.

Note that the `reduce` function is part of the `functools` module and needs to be imported with:

```
from functools import reduce
```

These return objects, to use the results we need to convert them to lists, tuples,...

Functional programming

```
from functools import reduce

myText = "Testing shows the presence, not the absence of bugs"
words = myText.split()

print("Word sizes: {}".format(list(map(len, words))))
cnt = reduce(int.__add__, list(map(len, words)))

print("Dijkstra's quote has {} characters".format(cnt))
```

Word sizes: [7, 5, 3, 9, 3, 3, 7, 2, 4]
Dijkstra's quote has 43 characters

Lambda functions (anonymous functions)

Their basic syntax is:

```
lambda input-parameters: expression
```

or

```
myfunct = lambda input-parameters: expression
```

Input parameters are comma separated. The expression is separated from the parameters by a colon.

Lambda functions (anonymous functions)

```
sum_lambda = lambda x, y : x+y
mult_lambda = lambda x,y : x*y
cap_lambda = lambda x : x.capitalize()

print(sum_lambda(10,20))
print(sum_lambda("Hi ", "there!"))
print("\n")
print(mult_lambda(10,20))
print(mult_lambda("Hi! ", 3))
print("\n")
txt = "hi there from luca!"
print(cap_lambda(txt))
print(" ".join(map(cap_lambda, txt.split())))
```

```
30
Hi there!
```

```
200
Hi! Hi! Hi!
```

```
Hi there from luca!
Hi There From Luca!
```

Exercises

1. Create a Sequence class that can contain DNA sequences assuming "A,G,C,T" as the only characters allowed. Implement a `complement` method that complements the sequence, a `computeGC` method that returns the GC content (i.e. number of G+C/total length of sequence), redefine the "+" operator (`__add__`) to concatenate the sequence with another sequence in input and the `__str__` so that given a DNA sequence "ACTCG" will print it as:

```
5' -ACTCG-3'
3' -TGAGC-5'
```

Show/Hide Solution

2. Define a 3D point class (`Point3D`) which contains three attributes that are the (x,y,z) coordinates in the 3D space and a string (label). Implement a `computeDistance` method that computes the distance between the point and another point (remember that if $a = (x_a, y_a, z_a)$ and $b = (x_b, y_b, z_b)$, $distance(a, b) = \sqrt{(x_a - x_b)^2 + (y_a - y_b)^2 + (z_a - z_b)^2}$).

Given the following points:

```
p = Point3D(0,10,0, "alfa")
p1 = Point3D(10,20,10, "point")
p2 = Point3D(4,9, 10, "other")
p3 = Point3D(8,9,11, "zebra")
p4 = Point3D(0,10,10, "label")
p4 = Point3D(0,10,10, "last")
p5 = Point3D(42,102,10, "fifth")
```