PYTHON: OOP

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# (please don't)
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v.move(2, 4)  # == Vector.move(v, 2, 4)
v.x  # 3
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Static attributes and methods

```
class Vector:
  x = 0  # 'static' attribute

  @staticmethod
  def zero():
    return Vector(0, 0)

v = Vector(1, 2)
v.x # 1
Vector.x # 0
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v.x = -5 # raises an Exception
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v._Vector__b()      # mangled by interpreter
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class DieselCar(Car):
  def __init__(self, fuel):
    # parent constructor is not called automatically!
    super().__init__()  # super() points to the first parent

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  # someone executed python a.py directly
  print("hello from a.py")
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Python style 

PEP8 - universal standard

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f.py:16:1: W391 blank line at end of file
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How to fix?

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```
$ pip install autopep8
$ autopep8 f.py -i
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