Classes and Objects



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Object Oriented Programming OOP

What is OOP?



- OOP is a programming paradigm
- Provides a means of structuring programs so that properties and behaviors are bundled into individual objects
- Objects are at the center of the OOP paradigm

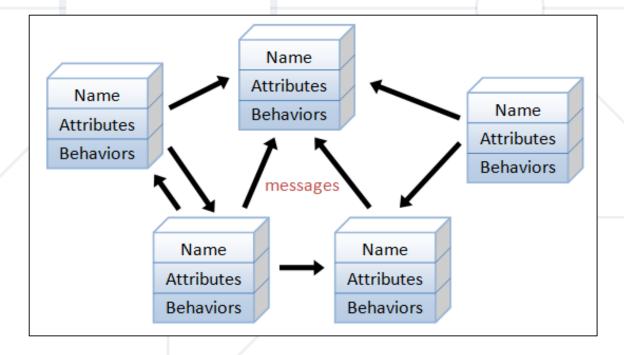


Example



 An object-oriented program consist of objects that interact with each other







Template for Objects

Class Definition



- A class is like a blueprint for creating objects
- Classes provide a means of bundling data and functionality together
- Each class instance can have attributes attached to it
- Class instances can also have methods for modifying its state



The __init__() Function



- All classes create objects, and all objects contain characteristics called attributes
- The __init__() method initializes an object's initial attributes by giving them their default value
- The double leading and trailing underscore is used for special variables or methods

The Self Variable



- The self parameter is a reference to the current instance of the class
- Used to access variables that belong to the class
- When defining an instance method, the first parameter of the method should always be self

Class Example



 Create a class Person that has, first name, last name and age

```
class Person:
    def __init__(self, first_name, last_name, age=0):
        self.first_name = first_name
        self.last_name = last_name
        self.age = age
```

 When a parameter is optional, put a default value that it should have

Problem: Comment



- Create a class with name "Comment"
- The __init__ method should accept 3 parameters
 - username
 - content
 - likes (optional, 0 by default)
- Use the exact names for your variables

Solution: Comment



```
class Comment:
    def __init__(self, username, content, likes=0):
        self.username = username
        self.content = content
        self.likes = likes
```



Object Definition



- Instance is concrete object of the type of the class
- A class is like a form or template
 - It defines the needed information
- You can fill out multiple copies, but without the form you will not know the required information



Object Example



 Using the Person class we created, here we have an example of the instance of that class

```
me = Person("Peter", "Johnson", 25)
print(me.first_name) # Peter
print(me.last_name) # Johnson
print(me.age) # 25
```

Accessing object attributes



Modifying Attributes



 You can change the values of the attributes of an object after initialization

```
me = Person("Peter", "Johnson", 25)
me.age += 1
print(me.age) # 26
```

The change will be made only for that instance of the class.

Problem: Party



- Create a class Party that only has an attribute called people
- The __init__ method should not accept any parameters
- You will be given names of people (on separate lines) until you receive the command "End"
- Print 2 lines:
 - "Going: " + all the people separated by comma and space
 - "Total: {total_people_going}"

Solution: Party



```
class Party:
    def __init__(self):
        self.people = []
party = Party()
line = input()
while line != "End":
    party.people.append(line)
    line = input()
print(f"Going: {', '.join(party.people)}")
print(f"Total: {len(party.people)}")
```



Class Attributes



While instance attributes are specific to each object,
 class attributes are the same for all instances

```
class Person:
   species = "mammal"
   def __init__(self, name, age):
      self.name = name
      self.age = age
me = Person("Peter", 25) # me.species = "mammal"
you = Person("John", 44) # you.species = "mammal"
```

Instance Methods



- Instance methods are defined inside a class and are used to get the contents of an instance
- They can also be used to perform operations with the attributes of our objects
- Like the __init__ method, the first argument should always be self

Code Example



```
class Person:
   def __init__(self, first_name, last_name, age):
      self.first_name = first_name
      self.last_name = last_name
      self.age = age
   def get_full_name(self):
      return f"{self.first_name} {self.last_name}"
me = Person("Peter", "Johnson", 64)
print(me.get_full_name()) # Peter Johnson
```

Problem: Email



- Create a class Email as described in the lab description
- You will receive some emails until you receive "Stop" (separated by single space)
- The first will be the sender, the second one the receiver and the third one the content
- On the final line you will be given the indices of the sent emails separated by comma and space. For each email print: "{sender} says to {receiver}: {content}. Sent: {is_sent}"

Solution: Email (the Class)



```
class Email:
  def __init__(self, sender, receiver, content):
    self.sender = sender
    self.receiver = receiver
    self.content = content
    self.is_sent = False
  def send(self):
    self.is_sent = True
  def get_info(self):
    return f"{self.sender} says to {self.receiver}:
{self.content}. Sent:
    {self.is_sent}"
```

Solution: Email (the Logic)



```
emails = []
line = input()
while line != "Stop":
    tokens = line.split(" ")
    email = Email(tokens[0], tokens[1], tokens[2])
    emails.append(email)
    line = input()
    send_emails = [int(x) for x in input().split(", ")]
for x in send_emails:
    emails[x].send()
# TODO: print the emails
```

Problem: Zoo



- Create a class Zoo as described in the lab description
- On the first line you will receive the name of the zoo
- On the second line you will receive number n
- On the next n lines you will receive animal info in the format:
 "{species} {name}". Add the animal to the zoo
- On the final line you will receive a species
- Print all the info for that species and the total count of animals

Solution: Zoo (the Class)



```
class Zoo:
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name
        # TODO: create 3 lists (mammals, fishes, birds)
    def add_animal(self, species, name):
        # TODO: add the name to the given species
    def get_info(self, species):
        # TODO: create the resulting string and return it
```

Solution: Zoo (the Logic)



```
zoo_name = input()
zoo = Zoo(zoo_name)
count = int(input())
total_animals = 0
for i in range(count):
  # Read the input
   # Add the new animal
   # Update the total animals variable
info = input()
print(zoo.get_info(info))
```



Summary



- What does OOP mean
- What classes are and how to create them
- What instances are and how to create them
- What attributes and instance methods are





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