Inheritance

Welcome back to CS 2100!

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JWzeEHINu7k

Consider this...

We want to create a class for Cat (with properties like claw_sharpness, and methods like knead()).

We also want to create a class for Lion, which has all the functionality of Cat, but additional things like a roar() method.

Subclasses and superclasses

A subclass (or child class) is a more specific version of a superclass (parent class).

The subclass *inherits* all the methods and attributes from the *superclass* and then adds more that are specific to it.

Syntax: when declaring the subclass, put the superclass's name in parentheses:

class Lion(Cat):

```
class Student():
    def ___init___(self, student_id: str, major: str):
        self.id = student_id
        self.major = major
        self.courses: Set[str] = set()
    def attend_lab(self, course_id: str) -> None:
        if course_id in self.courses:
            print(f'Attending {course_id}\' lab')
    def register_courses(self, courses: Set[str]) -> None:
        self.courses |= courses
class UndergraduateStudent(Student):
    def change_major(self, new_major: str) -> None:
        self.major = new_major
```

Only undergrads can switch majors.

Subclasses override methods from their superclasses

A subclass inherits all of the methods and instance variables from its superclass.

- Can add more
 - UndergraduateStudent adds change_major()
 - o Lion adds roar()
- Can overwrite what it inherits from the superclass
- Actually, it inherits all of the methods and instance variables except those that are named with two underscores.

Subclasses override methods from their superclasses

```
class Cat:
    def __init__(self, name: str):
        self.name = name
        self.food = ['tuna', 'chicken']

def knead(self) -> None:
        print('Kneading')

def eat(self, food: str) -> None:
        if food in self.food:
            print(f'Eating {food}')
```

```
class Lion(Cat):
    def roar(self) -> None:
        print('Roaring')

    def eat(self, food: str) -> None:
        if food in self.food + ['zebra']:
            print(f'Eating {food}')
```

```
class HouseCat(Cat):
    def purr(self) -> None:
        print('Purring')
```

```
class Button:
    def __init__(self, fancy: bool):
        self.fancy = fancy
class Shirt:
    def __init__(self, size: int):
        self.size = size
        self.buttons: list[Button] = []
    def add button(
            self, b: Button
    ) -> None:
        self.buttons.append(b)
    def fold(self) -> None:
        print('Folding')
class FormalShirt(Shirt):
    def add button(
            self, b: Button) -> None:
        if b.fancy:
            self.buttons.append(b)
```

Poll: What happens?

```
s = FormalShirt(500)
s.fold()
```

- 1. It raises an error
- 2. Cannot do that won't run
- 3. It calls Shirt 's fold() method
- 4. It does nothing

Using super()

Look for the redundancy:

```
class Shirt:
    def __init__(self, size: int):
        self.size = size
        self.buttons: List[Button] = []
    def add_button(self, button: Button) -> None:
        self.buttons.append(button)
class FormalShirt(Shirt):
    def add_button(self, button: Button) -> None:
        if button.fancy:
            self.buttons.append(button)
```

Same code in multiple places -> updating it requires updating in both places -> prone to typos and bugs

Calling a superclass's method

Directly call Shirt's add_button() from within FormalShirt using super():

```
class Shirt:
    def __init__(self, size: int):
        self.size = size
        self.buttons: List[Button] = []
    def add_button(self, button: Button) -> None:
        self.buttons.append(button)
class FormalShirt(Shirt):
    def add_button(self, button: Button) -> None:
        if button.fancy:
            super().add_button(button)
```

Any changes to Shirt's add_button() propogate to FormalShirt.

Calling a superclass's method

```
class Cat:
    def ___init___(self, name: str):
        self_name = name
        self.food: set[str] = {'tuna', 'chicken'}
    def knead(self) -> None:
        print('Kneading')
    def eat(self, food: str) -> None:
        if food in self.food:
            print(f'Eating {food}')
class Lion(Cat):
    def roar(self) -> None:
        print('Roaring')
    def eat(self, food: str) -> None:
        self.food |= {'zebra'}
        super().eat(food)
```

Calling a superclass's constructor

```
class Cat:
   def init (self, name: str):
        self_name = name
        self.food = ['tuna', 'chicken']
    def knead(self) -> None:
        print('Kneading')
    def eat(self, food: str) -> None:
        if food in self.food:
            print(f'Eating {food}')
class Lion(Cat):
    def init (self, name: str):
        super().__init__(name)
        self.food += ['zebra']
    def roar(self) -> None:
        print('Roaring')
```

- eat() method inherited from Cat
 works by default in Lion
- self.food is defined in Cat 's constructor, so we overwrite it with a new constructor in Lion ...
 - one that executes Cat 's constructor first, and then adds'zebra' to self.food

Poll: What does this output?

```
class Cat:
    def __init__(self, name: str):
        self.name = name

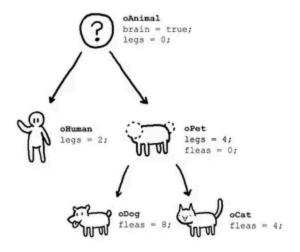
    def knead(self) -> None:
        print('Kneading')

class Lion(Cat):
    def knead(self) -> None:
        print('I am a lion')
        super().knead()
```

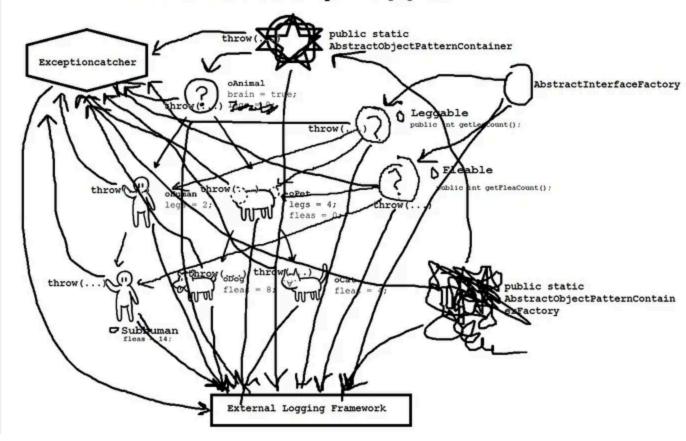
```
lion: Cat = Lion('Mini')
lion.knead()
```

- 1. Kneading
- 2. I am a lion
- 3. Kneading // I am a lion
- 4. I am a lion // Kneading

What OOP users claim



What actually happens



https://www.reddit.com/r/ProgrammerHumor/comments/60lm55/oop_what_actually_hap pens

Every class is a subclass of object

These two class definitions are equivalent:

```
class MyClass: pass
class MyClass(object): pass
```

This is why every class has a built-in __str__() method: they inherit it from object

Every class is a subclass of object

```
__eq__(self, other) -> bool is also inherited from object
```

Before overwriting __eq__():

After overwriting __eq_():

```
class Student():
    def __init__(self,
            student_id: str, major: str
    ):
        self.id = student_id
        self. major = major
    def eq (
            self, other: object
    ) -> bool:
        if not isinstance(other, Student):
            raise TypeError
        return self.id == other.id
s1 = Student('s1', 'CS')
s2 = Student('s1', 'CS')
print(s1 == s2) # True
```

Poll: Why is this bad?

```
class Cat:
    def __init__(self, name: str):
        self.name = name
        self.food: List[str] = ['tuna', 'chicken']

def __eq__(self, other: object) -> bool:
    if not isinstance(other, Cat):
        raise ValueError
    return other.name in self.food
```

- 1. It's possible for cat_a to equal cat_b today, but for cat_a to not be equal to cat_b tomorrow (with no code changes)
- 2. It's possible for cat_a to not equal itself
- 3. It's possible for cat_a to equal cat_b , and cat_b to not equal cat_a
- 4. All cats will be equal, making the __eq__() function useless

UML (Unified Modeling Language) Diagrams

A UML diagram visually shows us the classes and their relationships in a program.

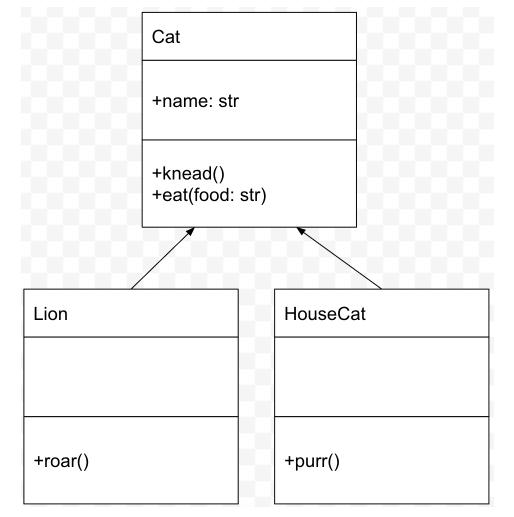
Cat +name: str +knead() +eat(food: str)

This UML diagram says:

- class name: Cat
- str attribute called name
- method called knead()
- method called eat(food: str)
- + indicates that a method or attribute is intended to be publicly available.
- (minus) indicates that it is not (two underscores ___).

UML Diagram: Subclass / Superclass Relationship

Draw an arrow from the subclass to the superclass:



The Liskov Subsitution Principle

"If S is a subtype of T, then objects of T can be substituted with objects of S without altering any of expected functionality."

In other words:

A member of the subclass can be used wherever a member of the superclass is required.

Example:

- you want coffee
- you receive an espresso
- espresso is a subclass of coffee
- you are satisfied because the coffee hierarchy follows the Liskov Substitution Principle

May 7, 2025: TSA requires "Real ID"



Bear + star in top right corner = REAL ID

- Federal compliant? ✓ YES
- Use to board domestic flights after the new May 7, 2025 deadline? ✓ YES
- Use to enter secure federal facilities after the new May 7, 2025 deadline? ✓ YES



Federal Limits Apply = Not REAL ID

- Federal compliant?

 NO
- Use to board domestic flights after the new May 7, 2025 deadline?

 NO
- Use to enter secure federal facilities after the new May 7, 2025 deadline?

 NO
- * May be used as photo identification, but not as evidence of legal presence in U.S.
 Additional documentation may be required.

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/driver-licenses-identification-cards/real-id/what-is-real-id/

Poll: Which are true?

- 1. The Real ID requirements follow the Single Responsibility Principle because one object covers multiple uses (TSA and driving)
- 2. The Real ID requirements break the Single Responsibility Principle because the same object is used for multiple unrelated activities (TSA and driving)
- 3. The Real ID requirements follow the Liskov Substitution Principle because anywhere that the old ID is used, the new (more specific one) can be used instead
- 4. The Real ID requirements break the Liskov Substitution Principle because there are things that the Real ID can do that the old ID (less specific one) cannot

Poll:

- 1. What is your main takeaway from today?
- 2. What would you like to revisit next time?