

Introduction

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It is very common to include the word computable when describing problems and solutions. We say that a problem is computable if an algorithm exists for solving it. A definition for computer science is to study the problems that are and that are not computable!

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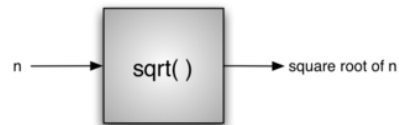
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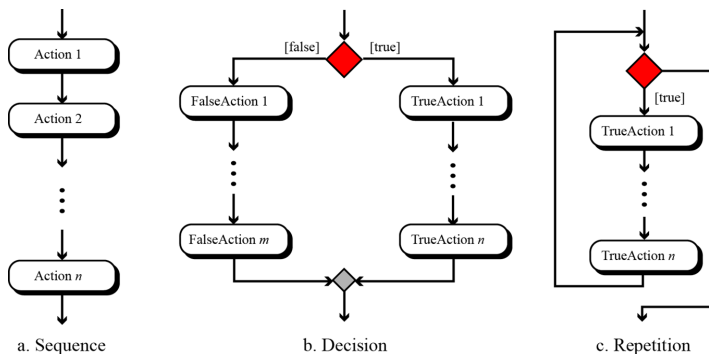
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1.5 Why Study Data Structures and Abstract Data Types?

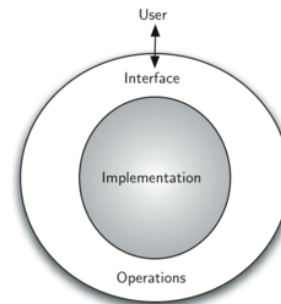
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On the other hand, it is entirely possible that there are many different ways to implement the details to algorithm. One algorithm may use many fewer resources than another. We would like to have some way to compare these solutions. Even though they both work, one is perhaps "better" than the other.

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There will often be trade-offs that we will need to identify and decide upon. As computer scientists, in addition to our ability to solve problems, we will also need to know and **understand solution evaluation techniques.**

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Classes are analogous to abstract data types because a user of a class only sees the state and behavior of an objects in the object-oriented paradigm. An object is an instance of a class.

1.8.1 Built-in Atomic Data Types

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In [2]:

```
print(2 + 3 * 4)
print((2 + 3) * 4)
print(2 ** 10)
print(6 / 3)
print(7 / 3)
print(7 // 3)
print(7 % 3)
print(2 ** 100)
```

14

20

1024

2.0

2.3333333333333335

2

1

1267650600228229401496703205376

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Boolean data objects are also used as results for comparison operators such as equality (`==`) and greater than (`>`). The table below shows the *relational* and *logical* operators.

Operation Name	Operator	Explanation
less than	<	Less than operator
greater than	>	Greater than operator
less than or equal	<=	Less than or equal to operator
greater than or equal	>=	Greater than or equal to operator
equal	==	Equality operator
not equal	!=	Not equal operator
logical and	and	Both operands True for result to be True
logical or	or	One or the other operand is True for the result to be True
logical not	not	Negates the truth value, False becomes True, True becomes False

```
In [4]: print(5 == 10)
        print(10 > 5)
        print((5 >= 1) and (5 <= 10))
        print((1 < 5) or (10 < 1))
        print(1 < 5 < 10)
```

False

True

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In [5]: the_sum = 0
        print(the_sum)

        the_sum = the_sum + 1
        print(the_sum)

        the_sum = True
        print(the_sum)
```

0

1

True

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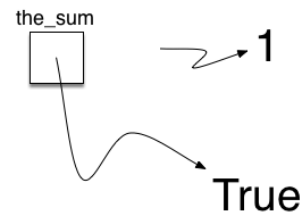


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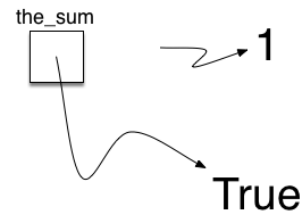


At this point in our example, the type of the variable is integer as that is the type of the data currently being referred to by `the_sum`.

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```
In [6]: my_list = [1, 3, True, 6.5]
        my_list
```

```
Out[6]: [1, 3, True, 6.5]
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Since `lists` are considered to be sequentially ordered, they support a number of operations that can be applied to any `Python` sequence.

Operation Name	Operator	Explanation
indexing	[]	Access an element of a sequence
concatenation	+	Combine sequences together
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Note that the indices for `lists` **start counting with 0**. The slice operation `my_list[1:3]` returns a list of items starting with the item indexed by 1 up to—but not including—the item indexed by 3.

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append	<code>a_list.append(item)</code>	Adds a new item to the end of a list
insert	<code>a_list.insert(i,item)</code>	Inserts an item at the ith position in a list
pop	<code>a_list.pop()</code>	Removes and returns the last item in a list
pop	<code>a_list.pop(i)</code>	Removes and returns the ith item in a list
sort	<code>a_list.sort()</code>	Sorts a list in place
reverse	<code>a_list.reverse()</code>	Modifies a list to be in reverse order
del	<code>del a_list[i]</code>	Deletes the item in the ith position
index	<code>a_list.index(item)</code>	Returns the index of the first occurrence of item
count	<code>a_list.count(item)</code>	Returns the number of occurrences of item
remove	<code>a_list.remove(item)</code>	Removes the first occurrence of item

```
In [7]: my_list = [1024, 3, True, 6.5]
my_list.append(False)
print(my_list)
my_list.insert(2,4.5)
print(my_list)
print(my_list.pop())
print(my_list)
print(my_list.pop(1))
print(my_list)
my_list.pop(2)
print(my_list)
```

```
[1024, 3, True, 6.5, False]
[1024, 3, 4.5, True, 6.5, False]
False
[1024, 3, 4.5, True, 6.5]
3
[1024, 4.5, True, 6.5]
[1024, 4.5, 6.5]
```



```
In [8]: my_list.sort()
print(my_list)
my_list.reverse()
print(my_list)
print(my_list.count(6.5))
print(my_list.index(4.5))
my_list.remove(6.5)
print(my_list)
del my_list[0]
print(my_list)
```

```
[4.5, 6.5, 1024]
[1024, 6.5, 4.5]
1
2
[1024, 4.5]
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```
In [9]: (54).__add__(21) # Equal to 54+21
```

```
Out[9]: 75
```

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In [10]: print(range(10))
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print(range(5, 10))
print(list(range(5, 10)))
print(list(range(5, 10, 2)))
print(list(range(10, 1, -1)))
```

```
range(0, 10)
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
range(5, 10)
[5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
[5, 7, 9]
[10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2]
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In [11]: print("David")
          print('David')
          my_name = "David"
          print(my_name[3])
          print(my_name * 2)
          print(len(my_name))
```

```
David
David
i
DavidDavid
5
```


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In [13]: print(my_list)
         my_list[0] = 2 ** 10
         print(my_list)

         print(my_name)
         my_name[0] = "X"
```

```
[4.5]
[1024]
David
```

```
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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call
last)
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In [14]: my_tuple = (2, True, 4.96)
print(my_tuple)
print(len(my_tuple))
print(my_tuple[0])
print(my_tuple * 3)
print(my_tuple[0:2])

my_tuple[1] = False
```

```
(2, True, 4.96)
```

```
3
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2
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Out[15]: {3, 4.5, 6, False, 'cat'}
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length	<code>len</code>	Returns the cardinality of the set
union	<code>a_set other_set</code>	Returns a new set with all elements from both sets
intersection	<code>a_set & other_set</code>	Returns a new set with only those elements common to both sets
difference	<code>a_set - other_set</code>	Returns a new set with all items from the first set not in the second
subset	<code>a_set <= other_set</code>	Asks whether all elements of the first set are in the second


```
In [16]: print(len(my_set))  
         print(False in my_set)  
         print("dog" in my_set)
```

5

True

False

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In [19]: capitals = {"Iowa": "Des Moines", "Wisconsin": "Madison"}  
capitals
```

```
Out[19]: {'Iowa': 'Des Moines', 'Wisconsin': 'Madison'}
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print(capitals["Iowa"])
capitals["Utah"] = "Salt Lake City"
print(capitals)
capitals["California"] = "Sacramento"
print(len(capitals))
for k in capitals:
    print(capitals[k], "is the capital of", k)
```

Des Moines

```
{'Iowa': 'Des Moines', 'Wisconsin': 'Madison', 'Utah': 'Salt Lake City'}
```

4

Des Moines is the capital of Iowa

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<code>[]</code>	<code>a_dict[k]</code>	Returns the value associated with <code>k</code> , otherwise its an error
<code>in</code>	<code>key in a_dict</code>	Returns <code>True</code> if key is in the dictionary, <code>False</code> otherwise
<code>del</code>	<code>del a_dict[key]</code>	Removes the entry from the dictionary

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keys	<code>a_dict.keys()</code>	Returns the keys of the dictionary in a dict_keys object
values	<code>a_dict.values()</code>	Returns the values of the dictionary in a dict_values object
items	<code>a_dict.items()</code>	Returns the key-value pairs in a dict_items object
get	<code>a_dict.get(k)</code>	Returns the value associated with <code>k</code> , <code>None</code> otherwise
get	<code>a_dict.get(k, alt)</code>	Returns the value associated with <code>k</code> , <code>alt</code> otherwise


```
In [21]: phone_ext={"david": 1410, "brad": 1137, "roman": 1171}
print(phone_ext)
print(phone_ext.keys())
print(list(phone_ext.keys()))
print(phone_ext.values())
print(list(phone_ext.values()))
print(phone_ext.items())
print(list(phone_ext.items()))
print(phone_ext.get("kent"))
print(phone_ext.get("kent", "NO ENTRY"))
```

```
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dict_keys(['david', 'brad', 'roman'])
['david', 'brad', 'roman']
dict_values([1410, 1137, 1171])
[1410, 1137, 1171]
dict_items([('david', 1410), ('brad', 1137), ('roman', 1171)])
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1.9. Input and Output

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```
In [22]: a_name = input("Please enter your name: ")
print("Your name in all capitals is", a_name.upper(),
      "and has length", len(a_name))
```

Please enter your name: phonchi

Your name in all capitals is PHONCHI and has length 7

It is important to note that the value returned from the input function will be a `string` representing the exact characters that were entered after the prompt. **If you want this `string` interpreted as another type, you must provide the type conversion explicitly.**

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          print(s_radius)
          radius = float(s_radius)
          print(radius)
          diameter = 2 * radius
          print(diameter)
```

```
Please enter the radius of the circle 3
3
3.0
6.0
```

1.9.1. String Formatting

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```
In [25]: print("Hello")
print("Hello", "World")
print("Hello", "World", sep="***")
print("Hello", "World", end="***")
print("Hello")
```

```
Hello
Hello World
Hello***World
Hello World***Hello
```

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The `%` operator is a string operator called the format operator. The left side of the expression holds the template or format string, and the right side holds a collection of values that will be substituted into the format string.

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<code>d, i</code>	Integer
<code>u</code>	Unsigned integer
<code>f</code>	Floating point as m.ddddd
<code>e</code>	Floating point as m.ddddde+/-xx
<code>E</code>	Floating point as m.dddddE+/-xx
<code>g</code>	Use <code>%e</code> for exponents less than -4 or greater than +5, otherwise use <code>%f</code>
<code>c</code>	Single character
<code>s</code>	String, or any Python data object that can be converted to a string by using the <code>str</code> function
<code>%</code>	Insert a literal <code>%</code> character

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Modifier	Example	Description
number	:20d	Put the value in a field width of 20
<	:<20d	Put the value in a field 20 characters wide, left-aligned
>	:>20d	Put the value in a field 20 characters wide, right-aligned
^	:^20d	Put the value in a field 20 characters wide, center-aligned
0	:020d	Put the value in a field 20 characters wide, fill in with leading zeros
.	:20.2f	Put the value in a field 20 characters wide with 2 characters to the right of the decimal point

In [29]:

```
price = 24
item = "banana"
print(f"The {item:10} costs {price:10.2f} cents")
print(f"The {item:<10} costs {price:<10.2f} cents")
print(f"The {item:^10} costs {price:^10.2f} cents")
print(f"The {item:>10} costs {price:>10.2f} cents")
print(f"The {item:>10} costs {price:>010.2f} cents")
itemdict = {"item": "banana", "price": 24}
print(f"Item:{itemdict['item']:.>10}\n" +
      f"Price:{'$':.>4}{itemdict['price']:5.2f}")
```

```
The banana      costs      24.00 cents
The banana      costs 24.00      cents
The   banana    costs   24.00    cents
The      banana costs      24.00 cents
The      banana costs 0000024.00 cents
Item:....banana
Price:...$24.00
```

1.10. Control Structures

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```
In [31]: for item in [1, 3, 6, 2, 5]:  
         print(item)
```

```
1  
3  
6  
2  
5
```


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```
In [32]: for item in range(5):  
         print(item ** 2)
```

```
0  
1  
4  
9  
16
```

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n = 16
if n < 0:
    print("Sorry, value is negative")
else:
    print(math.sqrt(n))
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In [35]: score = 85
         if score >= 90:
             print("A")
         else:
             if score >= 80:
                 print("B")
             else:
                 if score >= 70:
                     print("C")
                 else:
                     if score >= 60:
                         print("D")
                     else:
                         print("F")
```

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In [36]: if score >= 90:
          print("A")
        elif score >= 80:
          print("B")
        elif score >= 70:
          print("C")
        elif score >= 60:
          print("D")
        else:
          print("F")
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In [38]: sq_list = []
         for x in range(1, 11):
             sq_list.append(x * x)

         print(sq_list)

         sq_list=[x * x for x in range(1, 11)]
         sq_list
```

```
[1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100]
```

```
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In [39]: sq_list=[x * x for x in range(1,11) if x % 2 != 0]  
sq_list
```

```
Out[39]: [1, 9, 25, 49, 81]
```

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```
In [41]: average([99, 100, 74, 63, 100, 100])  
         average([22, 19, 74, 63, 100, 44])
```

```
pass, the score is 89.3  
fail, the score is 53.7
```

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In [42]: for i in range(10)
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```
File "C:\Users\adm\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_19312\1522442676.py", line 1
    for i in range(10)
                    ^
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```

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In some cases, logic errors lead to very bad situations such as trying to divide by zero or trying to access an item in a list where the index of the item is outside the bounds of the list. In this case, the logic error leads to a runtime error that causes the program to terminate! These types of runtime errors are typically called exceptions.

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```
In [43]: import math
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print(math.sqrt(a_number))
```

Please enter an integer -3

```
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ValueError                                Traceback (most recent call
last)
~\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_19312\131839230.py in <module>
      1 import math
      2 a_number = int(input("Please enter an integer "))
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In [44]: try:
          a_number = int(input("Please enter an integer "))
          print(math.sqrt(a_number))
        except:
          print("Bad value for the square root function")
          print("Using the absolute value instead")
          print(math.sqrt(abs(a_number)))
```

```
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1.7320508075688772
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          raise RuntimeError("You can't use a negative number")
        else:
          print(math.sqrt(a_number))
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In [46]: def square(n):  
         return n ** 2  
  
         print(square(3))  
  
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```

9

Out[46]: 81

1.13. Object-Oriented Programming in Python: Defining Classes

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1.13.1. A Fraction Class

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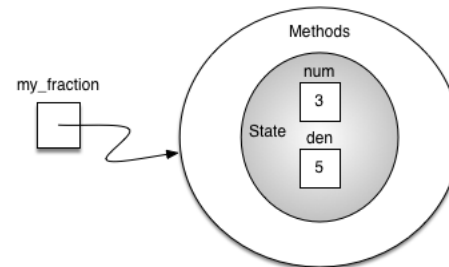
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Python does not have private data. Instead, you use naming conventions to design classes that encourage correct use. By convention, Python programmers know that any attribute name beginning with an underscore (`_`) is for a class's internal use only. Code should use the class's methods to interact with each object's internal-use data attributes.

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In this case, we can use class methods which are associated with a class rather than individual objects like regular methods are. You can recognize a class method in code when you see two markers: the `@classmethod` decorator before the method's `def` statement and the use of `cls` as the first parameter.

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        def fromTop(cls, top):
            return Fraction(top, 1)
        @classmethod
        def fromVoid(cls):
            return Fraction(0, 1)
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Calling the constructor with two arguments will invoke the first method, calling it with a single argument will invoke the second method, and calling it with no arguments will invoke the third method.

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The print function requires that the object convert itself into a string so that the string can be written to the output. This is not what we want. In `Python`, all classes have a set of standard methods that are provided but may not work properly. One of these, `__str__`, is the method to convert an object into a `string`.

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          print(my_fraction)
          print(f"I ate {my_fraction} of pizza")
          str(my_fraction)
```

3/5

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```
Out[53]: '3/5'
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We can fix this by providing the Fraction class with a method that overrides the addition method. In Python, this method is called `__add__` and it requires two parameters. The first, `self`, is always needed, and the second represents the other operand in the expression.

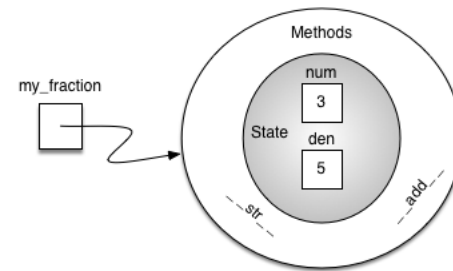
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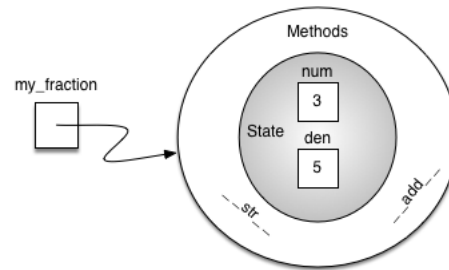
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def gcd(m, n):
    while m % n != 0:
        m, n = n, m % n
    return n

class Fraction:
    """Class Fraction"""
    def __init__(self, top, bottom):
        """Constructor definition"""
        self._num = top
        self._den = bottom
    def __str__(self):
        return f"{self._num}/{self._den}"
    def __add__(self, other_fraction):
        new_num = self._num * other_fraction._den + \
            self._den * other_fraction._num
        new_den = self._den * other_fraction._den
        common = gcd(new_num, new_den)
        return Fraction(new_num // common, new_den // common)

f1 = Fraction(1, 4)
f2 = Fraction(1, 2)
print(f1 + f2)
```

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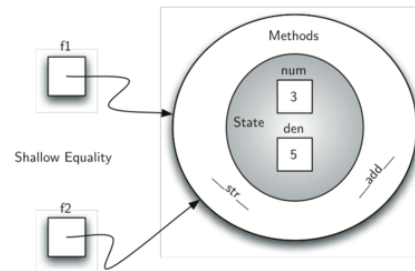




An additional group of methods that we need to include in our example `Fraction` class will allow two fractions to compare themselves to one another. Assume we have two `Fraction` objects, `f1` and `f2`. `f1==f2` will only be `True` if they are references to the same object.

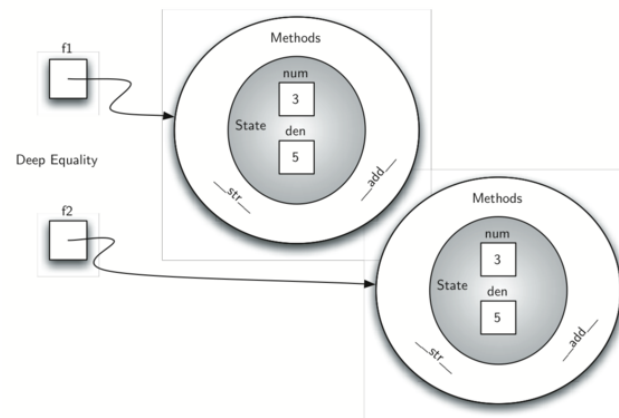
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    def __eq__(self, other_fraction):
        first_num = self._num * other_fraction._den
        second_num = other_fraction._num * self._den

        return first_num == second_num

    def __add__(self, other_fraction):
        new_num = self._num * other_fraction._den \
            + self._den * other_fraction._num
        new_den = self._den * other_fraction._den
        cmmn = gcd(new_num, new_den)
        return Fraction(new_num // cmmn, new_den // cmmn)
```

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In [57]: x = Fraction(1, 2)
y = Fraction(2, 3)
print(y)
print(x + y)
print(x == y)
```

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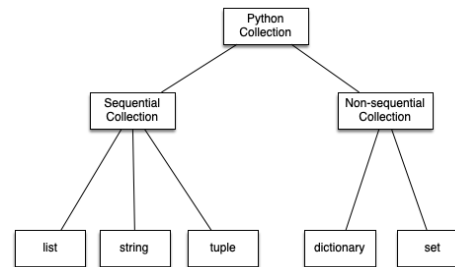
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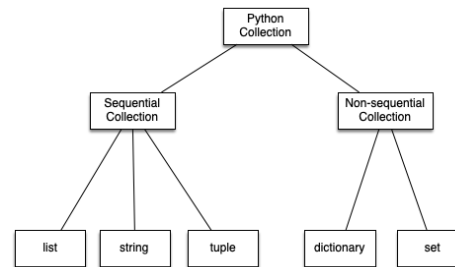
1.13.2. Inheritance: Logic Gates and Circuits

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For example, the `list` is a child of the `sequential collection`. In this case, we call the `list` the child and the sequence the parent (or subclass list and superclass sequence). This is often referred to as an **Is-a** relationship (the list Is-a sequential collection).

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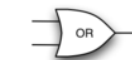
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To explore this idea further, we will construct a simulation, an application to simulate digital circuits. The basic building block for this simulation will be the logic gate. These electronic switches represent Boolean algebra relationships between their input and their output.



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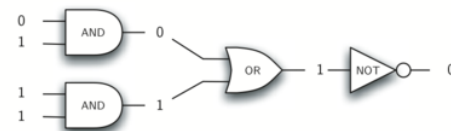
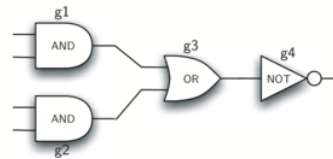
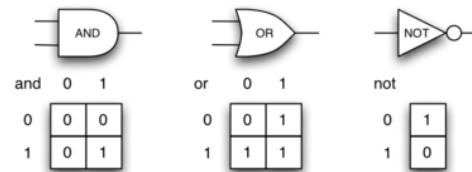
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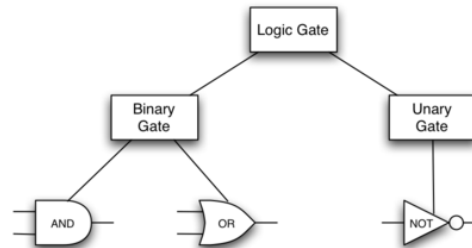


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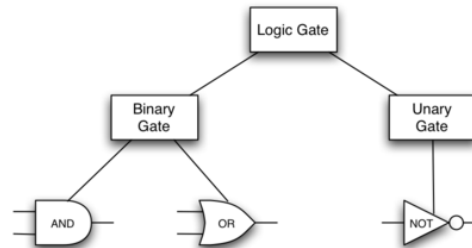
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We can now start to implement the classes by starting with the most general, `LogicGate`. As noted earlier, each gate has a label for identification and a single output line. In addition, we need methods to allow a user of a gate to ask the gate for its label.

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In [59]: class LogicGate:
    def __init__(self, lbl):
        self._label = lbl
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Any new logic gate that gets added to the hierarchy will simply need to implement the `perform_gate_logic()` and it will be used at the appropriate time. Once done, the gate can provide its output value.

In [60]:

```
class BinaryGate(LogicGate):
    def __init__(self, lbl):
        LogicGate.__init__(self, lbl) # super().__init__(lbl)
        self._pin_a = None
        self._pin_b = None

    def get_pin_a(self):
        if self._pin_a == None:
            return int(input("Enter pin A input for gate " + self.get_label()))
        else:
            return self._pin_a.get_from().get_output()
    def get_pin_b(self):
        if self._pin_b == None:
            return int(input("Enter pin B input for gate " + self.get_label()))
        else:
            return self._pin_b.get_from().get_output()

    def set_from_pin(self, source):
        if self._pin_a == None:
            self._pin_a = source
        else:
            if self._pin_b == None:
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The call to `set_from_pin()` is very important for making connections.

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In [61]: class UnaryGate(LogicGate):

    def __init__(self, lbl):
        LogicGate.__init__(self, lbl)

        self._pin = None

    def get_pin(self):
        if self._pin == None:
            return int(input("Enter pin input for gate " + self.get_label() +
            else:
                return self._pin.get_from().get_output()

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The constructors in both of these classes start with an explicit call to the constructor of the parent class using the parent's `__init__` method. The constructor then goes on to add the two input lines (`pin_a` and `pin_b`).

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In [63]: class AndGate(BinaryGate):
        def __init__(self, lbl):
            super().__init__(lbl)

        def perform_gate_logic(self):
            a = self.get_pin_a()
            b = self.get_pin_b()
            if a == 1 and b == 1:
                return 1
            else:
                return 0

        g1 = AndGate("G1")
        g1.get_output()
```

```
Enter pin A input for gate G1: 0
Enter pin B input for gate G1: 1
```

```
Out[63]: 0
```

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In [64]: class OrGate(BinaryGate):

    def __init__(self, lbl):
        BinaryGate.__init__(self, lbl)

    def perform_gate_logic(self):

        a = self.get_pin_a()
        b = self.get_pin_b()
        if a == 1 or b == 1:
            return 1
        else:
            return 0

class NotGate(UnaryGate):

    def __init__(self, lbl):
        UnaryGate.__init__(self, lbl)

    def perform_gate_logic(self):
        if self.get_pin():
            return 0
        else:
            return 1
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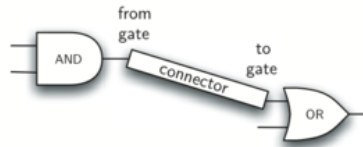
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In [65]: g2 = OrGate("G2")  
print(g2.get_output())
```

```
g3 = NotGate("G3")  
g3.get_output()
```

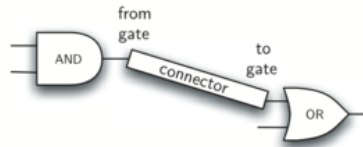
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Enter pin A input for gate G2: 1  
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1  
Enter pin input for gate G3: 1
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Out[65]: 0
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The `Connector` class will not reside in the gate hierarchy. It will, however, use the gate hierarchy in that each connector will have two gates, one on either end. This relationship is very important in object-oriented programming. It is called the **Has-a relationship**.

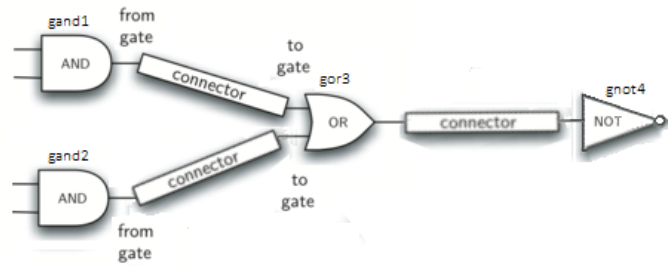
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In [66]: class Connector:
          def __init__(self, fgate, tgate):
              self.from_gate = fgate
              self.to_gate = tgate

              tgate.set_from_pin(self)

          def get_from(self):
              return self.from_gate
```



In [67]:

```
g1 = AndGate("gand1")
g2 = AndGate("gand2")
g3 = OrGate("gor3")
g4 = NotGate("gnot4")
c1 = Connector(g1, g3)
c2 = Connector(g2, g3)
c3 = Connector(g3, g4)
g4.get_output()
```

```
Enter pin A input for gate gand1: 0
Enter pin B input for gate gand1: 1
Enter pin A input for gate gand2: 0
Enter pin B input for gate gand2: 1
```

Out[67]: 1

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