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# Introduction to **Python** Programming



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# Outline

## → Software Objects:

Defining a Class, Defining Method, Instantiating an Object, invoking a Methods, Using Constructor, Using Class Attributes and Static Methods, Understanding Object Encapsulation

## → Object-Oriented Programming:

Using Inheritance to Create New Classes, creating a Base Class, inheriting from a Base Class, extending a Derived Class, Using the Derived Class, extending a Class through Inheritance, Understanding Polymorphism

# Python Classes

A class is considered as a blueprint of objects.

Think of the class as a sketch (blueprint) of a house.

It contains all the details about the floors, doors, windows, etc. Based on these descriptions we build the house. **House is the object.**

Since many houses can be made from the same description, same way many objects can be created from a class



# Define Python Class

We use the **class keyword** to create a class in Python. For example,

```
class ClassName:
```

```
    # class definition
```

Here, we have created a class named **ClassName**.

→ Let's see an example,

→ **class Bike:**

```
    name = ""
```

```
    gear = 0
```

→ Here,

→ **Bike** - the name of the class

→ **name/gear** - variables inside the class with default values "" and 0 respectively.

→ ***Note: The variables inside a class are called attributes.***



# Python Objects and Instantiation of the Objects

An object is called an instance of a class.

For example, suppose Bike is a class then we can create objects like bike1, bike2, etc from the class.

*Here's the syntax for object instantiation*

**objectName = ClassName()**

Let's see an example,

**# create class**

**class Bike:**

**name = ""**

**gear = 0**

**# Instate the objects of class**

**bike1 = Bike()**

**Here, bike1 is the object of the class. Now, we can use this object to access the class attributes.**



# Create Multiple Objects of Python Class

We can also create multiple objects from a single class.

For example,

# define a class

**class Employee:**

    # define an attribute

**employee\_id = 0**

# create two objects of the Employee class

**employee1 = Employee()**

**employee2 = Employee()**

# access attributes using employee1

**employee1.employeeID = 1001**

**print(f"Employee ID: {employee1.employeeID}")**

# access attributes using employee2

**employee2.employeeID = 1002**

**print(f"Employee ID: {employee2.employeeID}")**

In the above example, we have created two objects **employee1** and **employee2** of the **Employee class**.



# Access Class Attributes Using Objects

**The . Notation is used to access the attributes of a class.**

**Example :**

**# define a class**

**class Bike:**

**name = ""**

**gear = 0**

**# create object of class**

**bike1 = Bike()**

**# access attributes and assign new values**

**bike1.gear = 11**

**bike1.name = "Mountain Bike"**

**print(f"Name: {bike1.name}, Gears: {bike1.gear} ")**



# Python Methods

*A Python Function defined inside a class is called a method.*

**#**Let's see an example,

**# create a class**

**class Room:**

**length = 0.0**

**breadth = 0.0**

**# method to calculate area (Function Defined Inside the Class)**

**def calculate\_area(self):**

**print("Area of Room =", self.length \* self.breadth)**

**# create object of Room class**

**study\_room = Room()**

**# assign values to all the attributes  
and used**

**\*Self parameter is the reference to the current instance of the class.**

**to access the variables of the class.**

**study\_room.length = 42.5**

**study\_room.breadth = 30.8**

**# access method inside class**

**study\_room.calculate\_area()**





# Invoking a Methods

The `.` Notation is used to Invoke the method

In the pervious example, we have created a class named Room with **Attributes: length and breadth** and **Method: calculate\_area()** and object named **study\_room**

Now we have used the object to call the method inside the class,

**`study_room.calculate_area()`**

We have used the `.` notation to call the method.

Finally, the statement inside the method is executed.

# Constructor in Python

- A constructor is a special method in a class used to create and initialize an object of a class.
- Constructor is invoked automatically when an object of a class is created.

## *Syntax of Python Constructor*

```
def __init__(self):  
    # initializations
```

[init](#) is one of the reserved functions in Python. In Object Oriented Programming, it is known as a constructor.

## *Rules of Python Constructor*

- It starts with the def keyword, like all other functions in Python.
- It is followed by the word init, which is prefixed and suffixed with double underscores with a pair of brackets, i.e., `__init__()`.
- It takes an argument called self, assigning values to the variables



# Invoking Default Constructor in Python

When you do not write the constructor in the class created, Python itself creates a constructor during the compilation of the program.

It generates an empty constructor that has no code in it. Let's see an example:

```
class Assignments:
```

```
    check= "not done"
```

```
    # a method
```

```
    def is_done(self):
```

```
        print(self.check)
```

```
# creating an object of the class
```

```
obj = Assignments()
```

```
# calling the instance method using the object obj
```

```
obj.is_done()
```

# Invoking Method by Default Constructor in Python

When you do not write the constructor in the class created, Python itself creates a constructor during the compilation of the program.

It generates an empty constructor that has no code in it. Let's see an example, below, in both the output is "Not Done"

```
class Assignments:
    check = "Not Done"
    def is_done(self):
        print(self.check)

# creating an object of the class
obj = Assignments()

# calling the instance method using the object obj
obj.is_done()
```

```
class Assignments:
    check = "Not Done"
    def __init__(self):
        pass
    def is_done(self):
        print(self.check)

# creating an object of the class
obj = Assignments()

# calling the instance method using the object obj
obj.is_done()
```



# Invoking Method by Parameterized Constructor in Python

When the constructor accepts arguments along with self, it is known as parameterized constructor.

These arguments can be used inside the class to assign the values to the data members. Let's see an example:

Code:

```
class Family:
```

```
    # Constructor - parameterized
```

```
    members=""
```

```
    def __init__(self, count):
```

```
        print("This is parametrized constructor")
```

```
        self.members = count
```

```
    def show(self):
```

```
        print("No. of members is", self.members)
```

```
object = Family(10)
```

```
object.show()
```

## Explanation

- An object of the class Family is created. It has a variable known as members.
- When the object is created, a parameter (here it is 10) is passed as arguments.
- This parameter (10 as in the given example) is taken up by the constructor as the object is created.
- The number 10 is assigned to the variable count, which is further assigned to self.members.
- The self.members can be used within the class to print the data



# Methods in Python

There are two types of the Method in Python.

## *Class Method*

**The purpose of the class methods is to set or get the details (status) of the class. That is why they are known as class methods.**

**They can't access or modify specific instance data. They are bound to the class instead of their objects. Two important things about class methods:**

**In order to define a class method, you have to specify that it is a class method with the help of the @classmethod decorator**



# Methods in Python

```
class My_class:
```

```
    @classmethod
```

```
    def class_method(cls):
```

```
        return "This is a class method."
```

we'll create the instance of this My\_class as well and try calling this class\_method():

```
obj = My_class()
```

```
obj.class_method()
```

class Methods In Python

*We can access the class methods with the help of a class instance/object.*

we can also access the class methods directly without creating an instance or object of the class.

Class\_name.Method\_name().

i.e My\_class.class\_method()



# Methods in Python

A static method is bound to a class rather than the objects for that class. This means that a static method can be called without an object for that class. This also means that static methods cannot modify the state of an object as they are not bound to it

In order to define a static method, we can use the `@staticmethod` decorator

Example:

```
class Calculator:
```

```
    # create addNumbers static method
    @staticmethod
    def addNumbers(x, y):
        return x + y
```

```
print('Product:', Calculator.addNumbers(15, 110))
```

When we need some functionality not w.r.t an Object but w.r.t the complete class, we make a method static. This is pretty much advantageous when we need to create Utility methods as they aren't tied to an object lifecycle usually



# Encapsulation in Python

Encapsulation in Python describes the concept of **bundling data and methods within a single unit**.

## Example

when you create a class, it means you are implementing encapsulation. A class is an example of encapsulation as it binds all the data members (instance variables) and methods into a single unit

```
class Employee:
    def __init__(self, name, project):
        self.name = name
        self.project = project
    def work(self):
        print(self.name, 'is working on', self.project)
```

Data Members

Method

Wrapping data and the methods that work on data within one unit

**Class** (Encapsulation)

Implement encapsulation using a class

# Encapsulation Example

```
class Employee:
    # constructor
    def __init__(self, name, salary, project):
        # data members
        self.name = name
        self.salary = salary
        self.project = project

    # method
    # to display employee's details
    def show(self):
        # accessing public data member
        print("Name: ", self.name, 'Salary:', self.salary)

    # method
    def work(self):
        print(self.name, 'is working on', self.project)

# creating object of a class
emp = Employee('Jessa', 8000, 'NLP')

# calling public method of the class
emp.show()
emp.work()
```

In this example, we create an Employee class by defining employee attributes such as name and salary as an instance variable and implementing behaviour using work() and show() instance methods.

# Access Modifiers in Python

Encapsulation can be achieved by declaring the data members and methods of a class either as **private or protected**.

This can be achieved by using single **underscore** and **double underscores**.

Access modifiers limit access to the variables and methods of a class.

Python provides three types of access modifiers private, public, and protected.

- **Public Member:** Accessible anywhere from outside class.
- **Private Member(\_\_\_\_):** Accessible within the class
- **Protected Member(\_):** Accessible within the class and its sub-classes

```
class Employee:
```

```
    def __init__(self, name, salary):
```

```
        self.name = name
```

```
        self._project = project
```

```
        self.__salary = salary
```

Public Member (accessible within or outside of a class)

Protected Member (accessible within the class and its sub-classes)

Private Member (accessible only within a class)

↑  
Data Hiding using Encapsulation



# Public Member

Public data members are accessible within and outside of a class. All member variables of the class are by default public.

**class Employee:**

**# constructor**

**def \_\_init\_\_(self, name, salary):**

**# public data members**

**self.name = name**

**self.salary = salary**

**# public instance methods**

**def show(self):**

**# accessing public data member**

**print("Name: ", self.name, 'Salary:', self.salary)**

**# creating object of a class**

**emp = Employee('Jessa', 10000)**

**# accessing public data members**

**print("Name: ", emp.name, 'Salary:', emp.salary)**

**# calling public method of the class**

**emp.show()**



# Protected Member

Protected members are accessible within the class and also available to its sub-classes. To define a protected member, prefix the member name with a single underscore `_`.

Protected data members are used when you implement [inheritance](#) and want to allow data members access to only child classes.

**Example:** Protected member in inheritance.

```
# base class
class Company:
    def __init__(self):
        # Protected member
        self._project = "NLP"

# child class
class Employee(Company):
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name
        Company.__init__(self)

    def show(self):
        print("Employee name :", self.name)
        # Accessing protected member in child class
        print("Working on project :", self._project)

c = Employee("Jessa")
c.show()

# Direct access protected data member
print('Project:', c._project)
```



# Private Member

To define a private variable **add two underscores as a prefix at the start of a variable name**.

Private members are accessible only within the class, and we can't access them directly from the class objects.

```
class Employee:
```

```
    # constructor
```

```
    def __init__(self, name, salary):
```

```
        # public data member
```

```
        self.name = name
```

```
        # private member
```

```
        self.__salary = salary
```

```
# creating object of a class
```

```
emp = Employee('Jessa', 10000)
```

```
# accessing private data members
```

```
print('Salary:', emp.__salary)
```

**When you Run The Code : The Error Occurs**



# Access Private Member

Access Private member outside of a class using an instance method.

```
class Employee:
```

```
    # constructor
```

```
    def __init__(self, name, salary):
```

```
        # public data member
```

```
        self.name = name
```

```
        # private member
```

```
        self.__salary = salary
```

```
    # public instance methods
```

```
    def show(self):
```

```
        # private members are accessible from a class
```

```
        print("Name: ", self.name, 'Salary:', self.__salary)
```

```
# creating object of a class
```

```
emp = Employee('Jessa', 10000)
```

```
# calling public method of the class
```

```
emp.show()
```

# Using Inheritance to Create New Classes

- Inheritance allows us to define a class that inherits all the methods and properties from another class.
- **Parent class** is the class being inherited from, also called **base class**.
- **Child class** is the class that inherits from another class, also called **derived class**.

## Creating a Parent Class[Base Class]:

Any class can be a parent class, so the syntax is the same as creating any other class

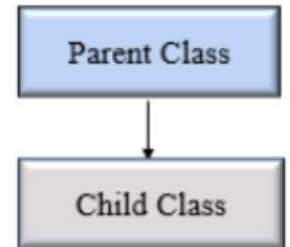
### Syntax:

```
class Person
def __init__(self, fname, lname):
    self.firstname = fname
    self.lastname = lname

def printname(self):
    print(self.firstname, self.lastname)
```

**#Use the Person class to create an object, and then execute the print name method:**

```
x = Person("John", "Doe")
x.printname()
```



### Python Inheritance Syntax

```
Class BaseClass:
    {Body}

Class DerivedClass(BaseClass):
    {Body}
```





# Using Inheritance to Create New Classes

## Creating a Child Class & Inheriting from a Base Class/Parent class:

To create a class that inherits the functionality from another class, **send the parent class as a parameter when creating the child class.**

- Create a class named Student, which will inherit the properties and methods from the Person class.

Eg:

```
class Student(Person):  
    pass
```

**Note:** Use the **pass** keyword when you do not want to add any other properties or methods to the class.

Now the Student class has the same properties and methods as the Person class.

Use the Student class to create an object, and then execute the **printname** method, **this printname method was created in parent class.**

```
x = Student("varun", "sharma")
```

```
x.printname()
```



# Using Inheritance to Create New Classes

**Creating a Child Class & Inheriting from a Base Class/Parent class:**

**Eg:**

Varun Sharma

**Code :**

**Output:**

```
class Person:
    def __init__(self, fname, lname):
        self.firstname = fname
        self.lastname = lname

    def printname(self):
        print(self.firstname, self.lastname)

class Student(Person):
    Pass

x = Student("Varun","Sharma")
x.printname()
```



# Using Inheritance to Create New Classes

- Using the Derived[child] Class, extending a parent Class through Inheritance:
- Extending a Derived Class method:

**Code :**

**# Base class**

```
class Vehicle:
```

```
    def Vehicle_info(self):
```

```
        print('Inside Vehicle class')
```

**# Child class**

```
class Car(Vehicle):
```

```
    def car_info(self):
```

```
        print('Inside Car class')
```

**# Create object of Car**

```
car = Car()
```

**# access Vehicle's info using car object**

```
car.Vehicle_info()
```

```
car.car_info()
```

**Output:**

```
Inside Vehicle class
Inside Car class
```



# Polymorphism

It refers to the use of a single type entity (method, operator or object) to represent different types in different scenarios

## Example

**For integer data types, + operator is used to perform arithmetic addition operation, Similarly, for string data types, + operator is used to perform concatenation.**

```
num1 = 1  
num2 = 2  
print(num1+num2)
```

```
str1 = "Python"  
str2 = "Programming"  
print("str1"+"str2")
```

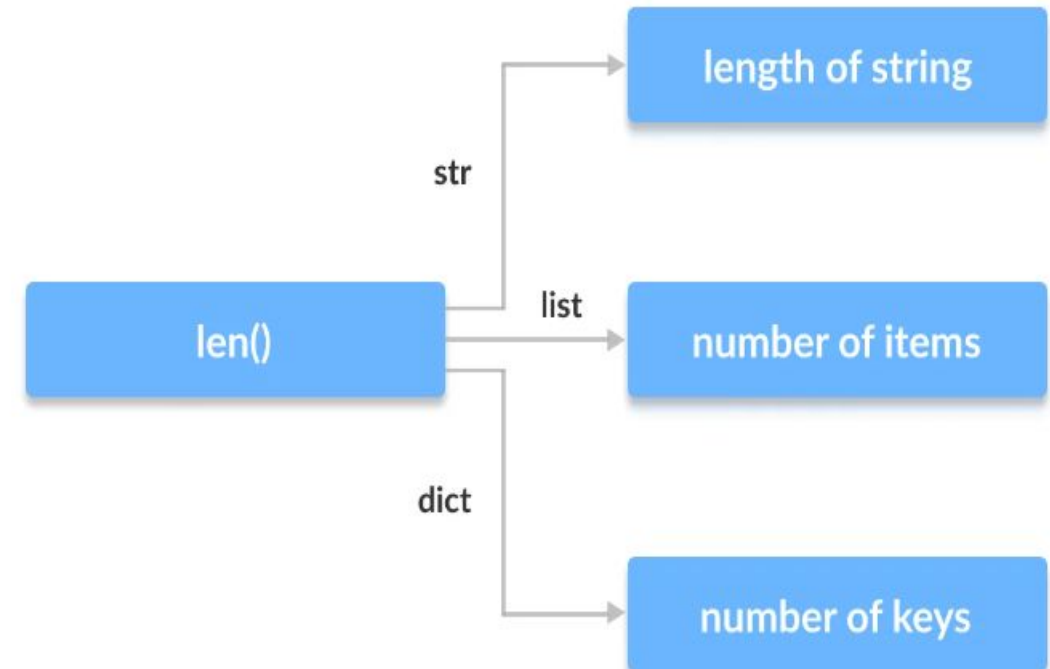
# Function Polymorphism in Python

There are some functions in Python which are compatible to run with multiple data types.

One such function is the `len()` function. It can run with many data types in Python. Let's look at some example use cases of the function.

## Example

```
print(len("Programiz"))  
print(len(["Python", "Java", "C"]))  
print(len({"Name": "John", "Address": "Nepal"}
```





# Class Polymorphism in Python

Polymorphism while creating class methods as Python allows different classes to have methods with the same name.

We can then later generalize calling these methods by disregarding the object we are working with.

Let's look at an example

```
class India():
    def capital(self):
        print("New Delhi is the capital of India.")

    def language(self):
        print("Hindi is the most widely spoken language of India.")

    def type(self):
        print("India is a developing country.")

class USA():
    def capital(self):
        print("Washington, D.C. is the capital of USA.")

    def language(self):
        print("English is the primary language of USA.")

    def type(self):
        print("USA is a developed country.")

obj_ind = India()
obj_usa = USA()
for country in (obj_ind, obj_usa):
    country.capital()
    country.language()
    country.type()
```

- **We have created two classes India and USA.**
- **They share a similar structure and have the same method names capital and language.**
- **However, notice that we have not created a common superclass or linked the classes together in any way.**
- **Even then, we can pack these two different objects into a tuple and iterate through it using a common country variable.**
- **It is possible due to polymorphism.**



# Polymorphism with Inheritance

**Polymorphism allows us to define methods in Python that are the same as methods in the parent classes.**

**In inheritance, the methods of the parent class are passed to the child class.**

**It is possible to change a method that a child class has inherited from its parent class.**

**This is especially useful when the method that was inherited from the parent doesn't fit the child's class.**

**We re-implement such methods in the child classes. This is Method Overriding.**



# Polymorphism with Inheritance

```
class Birds:
    def intro1(self):
        print("There are multiple types of birds in the world.")
    def flight1(self):
        print("Many of these birds can fly but some cannot.")

class sparrow1(Birds):
    def flight1(self):
        print("Sparrows are the bird which can fly.")

class ostrich1(Birds):
    def flight1(self):
        print("Ostriches are the birds which cannot fly.")

obj_birds = Birds()
obj_spr1 = sparrow1()
obj_ost1 = ostrich1()

obj_birds.intro1()
obj_birds.flight1()

obj_spr1.intro1()
obj_spr1.flight1()

obj_ost1.intro1()
obj_ost1.flight1()
```



