# Ch14-OOP

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# 1 Object Oriented Programming (OOP)

http://openbookproject.net/thinkcs/python/english3e/classes\_and\_objects\_I.html http://openbookproject.net/thinkcs/python/english3e/classes\_and\_objects\_II.html

- we've been using procedural programming paradigm; focus on functions/procedures
- OOP paradigm is best used in large and complex modern software systems
  - OOD (Object Oriented Design) makes it easy to maintain and improve software over time
- focus is on creation of objects which contain both data and functionality together under one name
- typically, each class definition corresponds to some object or concept in the real world with some attributes/properties that maintain its state; and the functions/methods correspond to the ways real-world objects interact

#### 1.1 class

- we've used classes like str, int, float, dict, tuple, etc.
- class keyword lets programmer define their own compound data types
- class is a collection of relevant attributes and methods like real world objects
- syntax:

```
class className:
    [statement-1]
    .
    .
    [statement-N]
```

#### 1.1.1 a simple Point class

• a class that represents a point in 2-D coordinates

```
[]: # OK but NOT best practice!
class Point:
    pass

[]: # instantiate an object a of type Point
a = Point()
[]: type(a)
```

```
[]: a.x = 0 # dynamically attach attriutes
a.y = 0
print(a.x, a.y)
```

```
[]: b = Point()
```

```
[]: b.x
```

#### 1.1.2 better class example

• with constructor and destructor methods, class attribute and object attributes

```
[]: class Point:
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         Point class to represent and manipulate x and y in 2D coordinates
         count = 0 # class variable/attribute
         # constructor to customize the initial state of an object
         # first argument refers to the instance being manipulated;
         # it is customary to name this parameter self; but can be anything
         def __init__(self, xx=0, yy=0):
             """Create a new point with given x and y coords"""
             # x and y are object variables/attributes
             self.x = xx
             self.y = yy
             Point.count += 1 # increment class variable
         # destructor
         def __del__(self):
             Point.count -= 1
```

# []: print(Point.count)

#### 1.2 class members

- like real world objects, object instances can have both attributes and methods
  - attributes are properties that store data/values
  - methods are operations that operate on or use data/values
- use . dot notation to access members
- x and y are attributes of Point class
- \_\_init\_\_() (constructor) and \_\_del\_\_() (destructor) are sepcial methods
   more on speical methods later
- can have as many relevant attributes and methods that help mimic real-world objects

```
[]: a = Point()
```

```
[]: print(a.x, a.y)
 []: b = Point(10, 10)
 []: print(b.x, b.y)
 []: Point.count
[46]: print(a)
     <_main__.Point object at 0x7f850fddcfa0>
[36]: # instantiate an object
      def someFunction():
          p = Point()
          # what is the access specifier for attributes?
          print('p: x = {}) and y = {}'.format(p.x, p.y))
          print("Total point objects = {}".format(Point.count)) # access class_
       ⇔variable outside class
          p.__del__() # call destructor explictly
          p1 = Point(10, 100)
          print("p1: x = {}) and y = {})".format(p1.x, p1.y))
          print("Total point objects = {}".format(Point.count))
          # Run this cell few times and see the value of Point.count
          # How do you fix this problem? Use __del__ destructor method.
[34]: someFunction()
     p: x = 0 \text{ and } y = 0
     Total point objects = 3
     p1: x = 10 and y = 100
     Total point objects = 4
[37]: print("Total point objects = {}".format(Point.count))
     Total point objects = 2
[38]: p = Point()
      # what is the access specifier for attributes?
      print('p: x = {}) and y = {}'.format(p.x, p.y))
      print("Total point objects = {}".format(Point.count)) # access class variable_
       ⇔outside class
      #p.__del__() # call destructor explictly
      p1 = Point(10, 100)
      print("p1: x = {} and y = {} ".format(p1.x, p1.y))
      print("Total point objects = {}".format(Point.count))
     p: x = 0 \text{ and } y = 0
```

```
Total point objects = 3
p1: x = 10 and y = 100
Total point objects = 4

[39]: # let's print objects
print(p, p1)
# not very useful info!
```

<\_main\_\_.Point object at 0x7f850fe356c0> <\_\_main\_\_.Point object at 0x7f850fe097b0>

### 1.2.1 visualizing class and instance attributes using pythontutor.com

• https://goo.gl/aGuc4r

### 1.2.2 exercise: add a method dist\_from\_origin() to Point class

- computes and returns the distance from the origin
- test the methods
- provides \_\_str\_\_ overloaded method to represent objects as string
   helps in printing objects

```
[40]: def dist_from_origin(self):
    import math
    dist = math.sqrt(self.x**2+self.y**2)
    return dist
```

[41]: print(dist\_from\_origin(p1))

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```
[63]: class Point:
    """
    Point class represents and manipulates x,y coords
    """
    count = 0

def __init__(self, xx=0, yy=0):
        """Create a new point with given x and y coords"""
    self.x = xx
    self.y = yy
    Point.count += 1

def dist_from_origin(self):
    import math
    dist = math.sqrt(self.x**2+self.y**2)
    return dist

def __str__(self):
```

### 1.3 objects are mutable

• can change the state or attributes of an object

```
[]: p2 = Point(3, 2)
  print(p2)
  p2.x = "sasf"
  p2.y = 10
  print(p2)
```

# 1.3.1 better approach to change state/attribute is via methods

• move(xx, yy) method is added to class to set new x and y values for a point objects

#### 1.3.2 Member access specifiers

- Python doesn't support private, public, protected specifiers provided by C++, Java, etc.
- all the members are public by default
- however, you can use leading single \_ and double \_\_ underscores "convention" to treat members as private

```
[10]: class Point:
    """
    Point class represents and manipulates x and y coordinates
    """

def __init__(self, xx=0, yy=0):
    """Create a new point with given x and y coords"""
```

```
"""_x and _y are protected method"""
      self._x = xx
      self._y = yy
  def dist_from_origin(self):
      import math
      dist = math.sqrt(self._x**2+self._y**2)
      return dist
  def __str__(self): # string representation of the class; useful in printing_
⇔objects
      return f"({self._x}, {self._y})"
  # define getter method to get x
  def getX(self):
      if not self._x:
          return 0
      return self._x
  # better syntax
  @property
  def x(self):
      return self._x
  # use setters to set attributes
  def setX(self, xx):
      if isinstance(xx, int) or isinstance(xx, float):
          self._x = int(xx)
      elif isinstance(xx, str):
          if xx.isnumeric():
              self._x = int(xx)
  # better syntax for setter
  0x.setter
  def x(self, xx: int):
      self.setX(xx)
  @property
  def y(self):
      return self._y
  @y.setter
  def y(self, yy: int):
      if isinstance(yy, int) or isinstance(yy, float):
          self._y = int(yy)
      elif isinstance(yy, str):
```

# 1.4 Operator Overloading

- https://docs.python.org/3/reference/datamodel.html
- Python lets you overload special operators (e.g., +, -, /, //, %, etc.) for your class
- Goal is to make your class as easy and seamless to use as possible

```
class Point:
    """
    Point class represents and manipulates x and y coordinates
    """

def __init__(self, xx=0, yy=0):
    """Create a new point with given x and y coords"""
    """_x and _y are protected method"""

self._x = xx
    self._y = yy

def dist_from_origin(self):
    import math
    dist = math.sqrt(self._x**2+self._y**2)
    return dist

def __str__(self): # string representation of the class; useful in printing_
    objects
    return f"({self._x}, {self._y})"
```

```
@property
          def x(self):
              if not self._x:
                  return 0
              return self._x
          @x.setter
          def x(self, xx: int):
              if isinstance(xx, int) or isinstance(xx, float):
                  self._x = int(xx)
              elif isinstance(xx, str):
                  if xx.isnumeric():
                      self._x = int(xx)
          @property
          def y(self):
              return self._y
          @y.setter
          def y(self, yy: int):
              if isinstance(yy, int) or isinstance(yy, float):
                  self._y = int(yy)
              elif isinstance(yy, str):
                  if yy.isnumeric():
                      self._y = int(yy)
          def move(self, xx, yy):
              self.x = xx
          def __add__(self, other: "Point"):
              """Overload + operator"""
              new_x = self.x + other.x
              new_y = self.y + other.y
              return Point(new_x, new_y)
          def __eq__(self, other: "Point"):
              return self.x == other.x and self.y == other.y
[22]: p1 = Point(2, 4)
      p2 = Point(3, 5)
      p3 = p1+p2
     print(p3)
```

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```
[24]: assert p1 != p2
```

```
[25]: assert p1 == p2
```

```
AssertionError Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[25], line 1
----> 1 assert p1 == p2

AssertionError:
```

### 1.5 sameness - alias or deep copy

```
[]: import copy
p2 = Point(3, 4)
p3 = p2 # alias or deepcopy?
print(p2 is p3) # checks if two references refer to the same object
p4 = copy.deepcopy(p2)
print(p2 is p4)
```

#### 1.6 Passing objects as arguments to functions

```
[]: def print_point(pt: Point):
    pt.x = 100
    pt.y = 100
    print(pt)
```

```
[]: p = Point(10, 10)
print_point(p)
```

```
[]: print(p)
```

## 1.7 are objects passed by value or reference?

- how can you tell?
- write a simple program to test.

### 1.8 returning object instances from functions

• object(s) can be returned from functions

```
[]: def midpoint(p1, p2):
    """Returns the midpoint of points p1 and p2"""
    mx = (p1.getX() + p2.getX())//2
    my = (p1.getY() + p2.getY())//2
    return Point(mx, my)
```

```
[]: p = Point(4, 6)
q = Point(6, 4)
r = midpoint(p, q)
#print_point(r) # better way to do this: use __str__() special method
print(r)
```

exercise 1: In-class demo: Design a class to represent a triangle and implement methods to calculate area and perimeter.

#### 1.9 Composition

- class can include another class as a member
- let's say we want to represent a rectangle in a 2-D coordinates (XY plane)
- corner represents the top left point on a XY plane

```
[]: class Rectangle:
    """ A class to manufacture rectangle objects """

def __init__(self, posn, w, h):
    """ Initialize rectangle at posn, with width w, height h """
    self.corner = posn
    self.width = w
    self.height = h

def __str__(self):
    return "({0}, {1}, {2})".format(self.corner, self.width, self.height)
```

```
[]: box = Rectangle(Point(0, 0), 100, 200)
bomb = Rectangle(Point(100, 80), 5, 10) # In my video game
print("box: ", box)
print("bomb: ", bomb)
```

# 1.10 Copying objects

- can be challenging as assigning one object to another simply creates an alias
   does shallow copy
- use deepcopy for the proper copy of objects

```
[]: r1 = Rectangle(Point(1, 1), 10, 5)
r2 = copy.copy(r1)
```

```
[]: # r1 is not r2
r1 is r2
```

```
[]: # but two corners are same r1.corner is r2.corner
```

```
[]: # let's test alias by moving r1 to a different location r1.corner.move(10, 10)
```

```
[]: # you can see r2 is moved to that location as well
    print(r1)
    print(r2)

[]: # fix: use deepcopy from copy module
    r3 = copy.deepcopy(r1)

[]: r1 is r3

[]: print(r1, r3)

[]: r1.corner.move(20, 20)
    # r1 is moved but not r3
    print(r1, r3)
```

### 1.11 Class method types

- there are three types of methods: instance methods, class methods and static methods
- Python provides @classmethod and @staticmethod function decorators
- object/instance methods take self (notational) or some parameter as the first argument that points to the instance
  - which can then be used to act on instance data
  - instance methods can freely access attributes and other methods on the same object
  - intance methods are typical member functions
- class methods take class name (as a variable) as the first argument
  - don't need instances; the class name is itself is used
  - ususally cls or some parameter is used as the first argument that points to the class
  - class method can only access and modify class attributes (state)
- static methods are much like static keyword in Java
  - mainly contain logic pertaining to the class without the need for specific instance data
  - static methods takes neither self nor cls
  - can't acess both object attributes (state) and class attributes (state)
- $\bullet \ \ for \ details: \ https://realpython.com/instance-class-and-static-methods-demystified/$

```
[]: # Simple demo
class MyClass:
    def method(self):
        return 'instance method called', self

    @classmethod
    def classmethod(cls):
        return 'class method called', cls

@staticmethod
```

```
def staticmethod():
             return 'static method called'
[]: c = MyClass()
[]: c.method()
[]: MyClass.classmethod()
[]: MyClass.staticmethod()
[]: class Grades:
         def __init__(self, grades):
             self.grades = grades
         @classmethod
         def from_csv(cls, grade_csv_str):
             grades = list(map(int, grade_csv_str.split(',')))
             cls.validate(grades)
             return cls(grades)
         Ostaticmethod
         def validate(grades):
             for g in grades:
                 if g < 0 or g > 100:
                     raise Exception()
[]: try:
         # Try out some valid grades
         class_grades_valid = Grades.from_csv('90,80,85,94,70')
         print('Got grades:', class_grades_valid.grades)
         # Should fail with invalid grades
         class grades invalid = Grades.from csv('92,-15,99,101,77,65,100')
         print(class_grades_invalid.grades)
     except:
         print('Invalid!')
[]: # class_grades_valid object is created from valid grades
     print('Got grades:', class_grades_valid.grades)
[]: |# because of exception due to invalid grades, class_grades_invalid object is _{\sqcup}
     ⇔never created
     print(class_grades_invalid.grades)
```