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1 Agenda

1. Inheritance
2. Magic methods (`__del__`)
3. Object system
4. Metaclasses
5. Iterators etc.

```
[2]: class Person:

    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name

    def greet(self):
        return f'Hello, {self.name}!'

p1 = Person('name1')
p2 = Person('name2')

print(p1.greet())
print(p2.greet())

class Employee(Person):    # Employee is-a Person, i.e., inherits from Person

    def __init__(self, name, id_number):
        # Person.__init__(self, name)
        super().__init__(name)    # do what my parent does in __init__...
        self.id_number = id_number    # add my own things

e1 = Employee('emp1', 1) # e1 has __init__? no. Employee has __init__? Yes
e2 = Employee('emp2', 2)

print(e1.greet()) # e1 has greet? No. Employee has greet? No. Person has greet? ␣
    ↪ yes
print(e2.greet())
```

Hello, name1!

```
Hello, name2!  
Hello, emp1!  
Hello, emp2!
```

2 Inheritance

All inheritance is based on the search for attributes. When we look for an attribute in a Python object (an instance, that is), Python searches in the following order:

- `i` – the instance itself
- `c` – the class of the instance (`type(i)`)
- `p` – the parent of the class
- `o` – `object`, the top object in the class

This means, in practice:

- If we have the same method in both a child class and a parent class, then we can remove the child class implementation, and rely on the parent class
- If we write a method in the child class, then that takes priority, and the parent class's method is never run.
- If we want to combine the method in the child class with the parent class, then we have a few options:
 1. Copy the code from the parent class into the child class. There are a number of problems with doing it this way – not recommended.
 2. Call the parent method explicitly (`Class.method(self, arg1)`). This way, the parent class gets to run first, and then we add functionality in the child class.
 3. The most modern way is to use `super`, as in `super().method(arg1)`. We don't need to pass `self` here! Once again, we normally do this at first in the method, and then have more specific instructions in our method.

```
[3]: class First:  
      def __init__(self, x):  
          self.x = x  
  
      def x2(self):  
          return self.x * 2  
  
      class Second:  
          def __init__(self, y):  
              self.y = y  
  
          def y3(self):  
              return self.y * 3  
  
      class Third(First, Second):  
          pass
```

```
[4]: # who does Person inherit from? We can always check __bases__  
Person.__bases__
```

```

[4]: (object,)

[5]: # What about Person's MRO (method resolution order)
      Person.__mro__

[5]: (__main__.Person, object)

[6]: Employee.__bases__

[6]: (__main__.Person,)

[7]: Employee.__mro__

[7]: (__main__.Employee, __main__.Person, object)

[8]: First.__bases__

[8]: (object,)

[9]: First.__mro__

[9]: (__main__.First, object)

[10]: Second.__bases__

[10]: (object,)

[11]: Second.__mro__

[11]: (__main__.Second, object)

[12]: Third.__bases__

[12]: (__main__.First, __main__.Second)

[13]: Third.__mro__

[13]: (__main__.Third, __main__.First, __main__.Second, object)

[14]: # what happens when we create an instance of Third?

      t = Third()

```

TypeError

Traceback (most recent call last)

Cell In[14], line 3

```

1 # what happens when we create an instance of Third?
----> 3 t = Third()

```

```
TypeError: First.__init__() missing 1 required positional argument: 'x'
```

```
[15]: t = Third(10)
```

```
[16]: vars(t)
```

```
[16]: {'x': 10}
```

```
[17]: t.x2() # t has x2? No. Third has x2? No. First has x2? Yes...
```

```
[17]: 20
```

```
[18]: t.y3() # t has y3? No. Third has y3? No. First has y3? No. Second has y3? Yes
```

```
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AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[18], line 1
----> 1 t.y3() # t has y3? No. Third has y3? No. First has y3? No. Second has y
      ↪ y3? Yes

Cell In[3], line 13, in Second.y3(self)
      12 def y3(self):
----> 13     return self.y * 3

AttributeError: 'Third' object has no attribute 'y'
```

```
[20]: class BadClass(First, Third, Second):
      pass
```

```
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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[20], line 1
----> 1 class BadClass(First, Third, Second):
      2     pass

TypeError: Cannot create a consistent method resolution
order (MRO) for bases First, Third, Second
```

```
[ ]: class First:
      def __init__(self, x):
          self.x = x

      def x2(self):
          return self.x * 2
```

```

class Second:
    def __init__(self, y):
        self.y = y

    def y3(self):
        return self.y * 3

class Third(First, Second):
    def __init__(self, x, y):
        super().__init__(self, x)
        # First.__init__(self, x)
        # Second.__init__(self, y)

```

```
[21]: help(super)
```

Help on class super in module builtins:

```

class super(object)
|   super() -> same as super(__class__, <first argument>)
|   super(type) -> unbound super object
|   super(type, obj) -> bound super object; requires isinstance(obj, type)
|   super(type, type2) -> bound super object; requires issubclass(type2, type)
|   Typical use to call a cooperative superclass method:
|   class C(B):
|       def meth(self, arg):
|           super().meth(arg)
|   This works for class methods too:
|   class C(B):
|       @classmethod
|       def cmeth(cls, arg):
|           super().cmeth(arg)
|
|   Methods defined here:
|
|   __get__(self, instance, owner=None, /)
|       Return an attribute of instance, which is of type owner.
|
|   __getattr__(self, name, /)
|       Return getattr(self, name).
|
|   __init__(self, /, *args, **kwargs)
|       Initialize self. See help(type(self)) for accurate signature.
|
|   __repr__(self, /)
|       Return repr(self).
|
|   -----

```

```

| Static methods defined here:
|
| __new__(*args, **kwargs) from builtins.type
|     Create and return a new object.  See help(type) for accurate signature.
|
| -----
| Data descriptors defined here:
|
| __self__
|     the instance invoking super(); may be None
|
| __self_class__
|     the type of the instance invoking super(); may be None
|
| __thisclass__
|     the class invoking super()

```

```

[32]: class First:
        def __init__(self, x):
            self.x = x

        def x2(self):
            return self.x * 2

    class Second(First):
        def __init__(self, y):
            super().__init__(y)
            self.y = y

        def y3(self):
            return self.y * 3

    class Third(Second):
        def __init__(self, x):
            super().__init__(x)

```

```

[31]: t = Third(17)

```

```

[33]: vars(t)

```

```

[33]: {'x': 17, 'y': 17}

```

```

[34]: object

```

```

[34]: object

```

```
[38]: str(t) # __str__() on t? No. __str__ on Third? No. __str__ on Second? no.
      ↪ __str__ on First? No.
      # __str__ on object? Yes!
```

```
[38]: '<__main__.Third object at 0x11237db10>'
```

```
[36]: 0x11237db10
```

```
[36]: 4600617744
```

```
[37]: id(t)
```

```
[37]: 4600617744
```

```
[39]: object.__str__(t)
```

```
[39]: '<__main__.Third object at 0x11237db10>'
```

```
[40]: t.x2() # --> Third.x2(t)
```

```
[40]: 34
```

```
[42]: class First:
      def __init__(self, x):
          self.x = x

      def x2(self):
          return self.x * 2

      class Second(First):
          def __init__(self, y):
              super().__init__(y)
              self.y = y

          def y3(self):
              return self.y * 3

      class Third(Second):
          def __init__(self, x):
              super().__init__(x)
          def __str__(self):
              return f'My Third has attributes: {vars(self)}'
```

```
[43]: def myfunc():
      asdfsadfsafffsa
```

```
[44]: def myfunc():
      asdfsadfsafffsa
```

```
asdfakjfhskjfhshjkfha
```

```
[46]: def myfunc():  
      asdfsadfsafffsa  
      asdfakjfhskjfhshjkfha
```

```
File <tokenize>:3  
  asdfakjfhskjfhshjkfha  
  ^
```

```
IndentationError: unindent does not match any outer indentation level
```

```
[47]: t = Third(123)
```

```
[48]: print(t)  # when I run print, it really runs print(str(ARG))
```

My Third has attributes: {'x': 123, 'y': 123}

3 Exercise: Big Bowl

A big bowl is just like a bowl, but takes up to 5 scoops, not just 3. Define `BigBowl` while making as few changes to `Bowl` as possible, and also writing as little code as possible.

```
[78]: class Scoop:  
      def __init__(self, flavor):  
          self.flavor = flavor  
  
      def __repr__(self):  
          return f'Scoop of {self.flavor}'  
  
class Bowl:  
    MAX_SCOOPS = 3  
  
    def __init__(self):  
        self.scoops = []  
  
    def add_scoops(self, *new_scoops):  
        for one_scoop in new_scoops:  
            if len(self.scoops) < self.MAX_SCOOPS:  
                self.scoops.append(one_scoop)  
  
    def flavors(self):  
        return [one_scoop.flavor  
                for one_scoop in self.scoops]  
  
    def __repr__(self):
```



```

        output = 'Bowl of: \n'

        # for index, one_scoop in enumerate(self.scoops, 1):
        #     output += f'\t{index}: {one_scoop}\n'

        # return output

        return output + '\n'.join([f'\t{index}: {one_scoop}'
                                     for index, one_scoop in enumerate(self.
→scoops, 1)])

class BigBowl(Bowl):
    MAX_SCOOPS = 5

s1 = Scoop('chocolate')
s2 = Scoop('vanilla')
s3 = Scoop('coffee')
s4 = Scoop('flavor 4')
s5 = Scoop('flavor 5')

b = Bowl()
b.add_scoops(s1, s2)
b.add_scoops(s3)
b.add_scoops(s4, s5)
print(b.flavors())

bb = BigBowl()
bb.add_scoops(s1, s2)
bb.add_scoops(s3)
bb.add_scoops(s4, s5)
print(bb.flavors())

```

```

['chocolate', 'vanilla', 'coffee']
['chocolate', 'vanilla', 'coffee', 'flavor 4', 'flavor 5']

```

4 Exercise: Printing our ice cream

1. Implement `__str__` on `Scoop` such that printing / calling `str` on an instance of `Scoop` returns a string like “Scoop of chocolate”.
2. Implement `__str__` on `Bowl` such that printing / calling returns a string like:

Bowl of: 1. Scoop of chocolate 2. Scoop of vanilla 3. Scoop of coffee

```

[79]: print(s1) # print(str(s1)) -> print(s1.__str__()) -> does s1 have __str__? No.
→Does Scoop have __str__? No.
      #           does object have __str__? Yes!

```

Scoop of chocolate

```
[80]: print(b)
```

Bowl of:

```
1: Scoop of chocolate
2: Scoop of vanilla
3: Scoop of coffee
```

```
[81]: s1
```

```
[81]: Scoop of chocolate
```

```
[82]: b
```

```
[82]: Bowl of:
```

```
1: Scoop of chocolate
2: Scoop of vanilla
3: Scoop of coffee
```

5 `__str__` and `__repr__`

These two methods both get `self` as an argument, and are both supposed to return a string.

`__str__` is meant for end users, `__repr__` is meant for behind-the-scenes debugging and printing.

- If I don't define `__repr__`, then I get the default.
- If I don't define `__str__`, but `__repr__` is defined, then it is used.

I suggest always defining `__repr__`, and only defining `__str__` if and when you need.

```
[ ]:
```

```
[83]: object.__str__(s1)
```

```
[83]: 'Scoop of chocolate'
```

```
[84]: object.__repr__(s1)
```

```
[84]: '<__main__.Scoop object at 0x112374910>'
```

6 Next up

1. Magic methods + overloading
2. `__del__`
3. The Python object system
4. Metaclasses
5. Iteration

Resume at :35

```
[86]: class MyClass:
        def __init__(self, x):
            self.x = x

        def __len__(self):
            return len(self.x)

m1 = MyClass('abcde')

len(m1)  # this actually calls m1.__len__() -> len('abcde') --> 'abcde'.
        ↪ __len__()
```

[86]: 5

```
[87]: m2 = MyClass(100)
len(m2)
```

```
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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[87], line 2
      1 m2 = MyClass(100)
----> 2 len(m2)

Cell In[86], line 6, in MyClass.__len__(self)
      5 def __len__(self):
----> 6     return len(self.x)

TypeError: object of type 'int' has no len()
```

```
[88]: 'abcde'.__len__()
```

[88]: 5

```
[89]: m2.x.__len__()
```

```
-----
AttributeError                            Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[89], line 1
----> 1 m2.x.__len__()

AttributeError: 'int' object has no attribute '__len__'
```

```
[90]: m1 = MyClass('abcde')
m2 = MyClass('abcde')
```

```
m1 == m2
```

[90]: False

```
[91]: # when we run ==, Python runs the __eq__ method  
# it runs the method on the left-side argument  
  
m1.__eq__(m2)
```

[91]: NotImplemented

```
[92]: type(NotImplemented)
```

[92]: NotImplementedType

```
[105]: from functools import total_ordering  
  
@total_ordering  
class MyClass:  
    def __init__(self, x):  
        self.x = x  
  
    def __len__(self):  
        return len(self.x)  
  
    def __eq__(self, other):  
        # return vars(self) == vars(other)  
        if hasattr(other, 'x'):  
            return self.x == other.x  
        return False  
  
    def __lt__(self, other):  
        if hasattr(other, 'x'):  
            return self.x < other.x  
        return False  
  
m1 = MyClass('abcde')  
m2 = MyClass('abcde')  
  
m1 == m2
```

[105]: True

```
[106]: m1 == 100
```

[106]: False

```
[107]: 100 == m1
```

```
[107]: False
```

```
[108]: m3 = MyClass('bcdef')  
  
m1 < m3
```

```
[108]: True
```

```
[109]: m1 >= m3
```

```
[109]: False
```

```
[110]: # let's try addition!  
  
m1 + m2
```

```
-----  
TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
Cell In[110], line 3  
      1 # let's try addition!  
----> 3 m1 + m2  
  
TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for +: 'MyClass' and 'MyClass'
```

```
[111]: 10 + '20'
```

```
-----  
TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
Cell In[111], line 1  
----> 1 10 + '20'  
  
TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for +: 'int' and 'str'
```

```
[112]: '10' + 20
```

```
-----  
TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
Cell In[112], line 1  
----> 1 '10' + 20  
  
TypeError: can only concatenate str (not "int") to str
```

```
[135]: from functools import total_ordering
```

```

@total_ordering
class MyClass:
    def __init__(self, x):
        self.x = x

    def __len__(self):
        return len(self.x)

    def __eq__(self, other):
        # return vars(self) == vars(other)
        if hasattr(other, 'x'):
            return self.x == other.x
        return False

    def __lt__(self, other):
        if hasattr(other, 'x'):
            return self.x < other.x
        return False

    def __add__(self, other):          # self + other
        if hasattr(other, 'x'):       # does other even have an 'x' attribute?
            return MyClass(self.x + other.x)
        return MyClass(self.x + str(other))

    def __radd__(self, other):        # reverse add!
        if hasattr(other, 'x'):
            return MyClass(other.x + self.x)
        return MyClass(str(other) + self.x)

    def __iadd__(self, other):        # in-place add, +=
        if hasattr(other, 'x'):
            self.x += other.x
        self.x = self.x + str(other)
        return self

    def __repr__(self):
        return f'Person with {self.x=}'

m1 = MyClass('abcde')
m2 = MyClass('fghij')

m1 + m2

```

[135]: Person with self.x='abcdefghij'

[136]: m1 + 100

```
[136]: Person with self.x='abcde100'
```

Other methods for operators:

- + – `__add__`
- - – `__sub__`
- * – `__mul__`
- / – `__truediv__`
- // – `__floordiv__`
- ** – `__exp__`
- % – `__mod__`

```
[137]: [10, 20, 30] + [40, 50, 60]
```

```
[137]: [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]
```

```
[138]: m1 + 100
```

```
[138]: Person with self.x='abcde100'
```

```
[139]: 100 + m1
```

```
[139]: Person with self.x='100abcde'
```

```
[140]: # what's going to happen here?

print(id(m1))
m1 += 'xyz'    # m1 = m1 + 'xyz'
print(id(m1))
```

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4609949072
```

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4609949072
```

```
[141]: print(m1)
```

```
Person with self.x='abcdexyz'
```

```
[ ]:
```

```
[142]: dir(5)
```

```
[142]: ['__abs__',
        '__add__',
        '__and__',
        '__bool__',
        '__ceil__',
        '__class__',
        '__delattr__',
        '__dir__',
        '__divmod__',
```

```
'__doc__',
'__eq__',
'__float__',
'__floor__',
'__floordiv__',
'__format__',
'__ge__',
'__getattr__',
'__getnewargs__',
'__getstate__',
'__gt__',
'__hash__',
'__index__',
'__init__',
'__init_subclass__',
'__int__',
'__invert__',
'__le__',
'__lshift__',
'__lt__',
'__mod__',
'__mul__',
'__ne__',
'__neg__',
'__new__',
'__or__',
'__pos__',
'__pow__',
'__radd__',
'__rand__',
'__rdivmod__',
'__reduce__',
'__reduce_ex__',
'__repr__',
'__rfloordiv__',
'__rlshift__',
'__rmod__',
'__rmul__',
'__ror__',
'__round__',
'__rpow__',
'__rrshift__',
'__rshift__',
'__rsub__',
'__rtruediv__',
'__rxor__',
'__setattr__',
```



```
'__sizeof__',  
'__str__',  
'__sub__',  
'__subclasshook__',  
'__truediv__',  
'__trunc__',  
'__xor__',  
'as_integer_ratio',  
'bit_count',  
'bit_length',  
'conjugate',  
'denominator',  
'from_bytes',  
'imag',  
'numerator',  
'real',  
'to_bytes']
```

```
[144]: x = 123  
y = [10, 20, 30]  
  
# if I want to debug  
print(f'x = {x}, y = {y}')
```

```
x = 123, y = [10, 20, 30]
```

```
[145]: # as of Python 3.10  
print(f'{x=}, {y=}')
```

```
x=123, y=[10, 20, 30]
```

```
[146]: print(f'{len(y)=}')
```

```
len(y)=3
```

```
[147]: # have you noticed that all of these types use []  
s = 'abcde'  
s[3]
```

```
[147]: 'd'
```

```
[148]: mylist = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]  
mylist[3]
```

```
[148]: 40
```

```
[149]: d = {'a':10, 'b':20, 'c':30}  
d['b']
```

[149]: 20

[150]: *# all of these implement __getitem__, that take self and the index*

```
class MyClass:
    def __init__(self, x):
        self.x = x

    def __repr__(self):
        return f'Person with {self.x=}'

    def __getitem__(self, index):
        return self.x[index]

m = MyClass('abcde')
m[3]
```

[150]: 'd'

7 Exercise: Magic methods and bowls

1. Make it possible to use `len` on an instance of `Bowl`, getting the number of scoops.
2. Make it possible to use `[]` on a `Bowl` instance, getting back one scoops.
3. Make it possible to use `+` on two `Bowl` instances, getting back one with the scoops from both.

```
[170]: class Scoop:
        def __init__(self, flavor):
            self.flavor = flavor

        def __repr__(self):
            return f'Scoop of {self.flavor}'

class Bowl:
    MAX_SCOOPS = 3

    def __init__(self):
        self.scoops = []

    def add_scoops(self, *new_scoops):
        for one_scoop in new_scoops:
            if len(self.scoops) < self.MAX_SCOOPS:
                self.scoops.append(one_scoop)

    def flavors(self):
        return [one_scoop.flavor
                for one_scoop in self.scoops]
```

```

def __repr__(self):
    output = 'Bowl of: \n'

    return output + '\n'.join([f'\t{index}: {one_scoop}'
                                for index, one_scoop in enumerate(self.
↪scoops, 1)])

def __len__(self):
    return len(self.scoops)

def __getitem__(self, index):
    if isinstance(index, slice):
        b = Bowl()
        b.scoops = self.scoops[index]    # index is a slice, get that part
↪of self.scoops
        return b
    return self.scoops[index]    # index is an integer (we hope), and return
↪that scoop

def __add__(self, other):
    if not isinstance(other, Bowl):
        raise TypeError('Can only add bowls to other bowls')

    b = Bowl()
    b.add_scoops(*(self.scoops + other.scoops))
    return b

s1 = Scoop('chocolate')
s2 = Scoop('vanilla')
s3 = Scoop('coffee')
s4 = Scoop('flavor 4')
s5 = Scoop('flavor 5')

b = Bowl()
b.add_scoops(s1, s2)
b.add_scoops(s3)
b.add_scoops(s4, s5)
print(b.flavors())

print(len(b))
b[1]

```

```
['chocolate', 'vanilla', 'coffee']
```

```
3
```

```
[170]: Scoop of vanilla
```

```
[171]: b[:2]
```

```
[171]: Bowl of:
      1: Scoop of chocolate
      2: Scoop of vanilla
```

```
[172]: b1 = Bowl()
      b1.add_scoops(s1)

      b2 = Bowl()
      b2.add_scoops(s2, s3, s4)

      b1 + b2
```

```
[172]: Bowl of:
      1: Scoop of chocolate
      2: Scoop of vanilla
      3: Scoop of coffee
```

```
[173]: # __del__

      # this method runs when the reference count drops to zero

      x = [10, 20, 30] # refcount to [10, 20, 30] is 1
      y = x # refcount is 2
      z = x # refcount is 3
```

```
[174]: x = None
      y = None
      z = None

      # what is the refcount of [10, 20, 30]? 0
      # when it goes to 0, the object is deleted and the memory is freed
```

```
[175]: class MyClass:
      def __init__(self, x):
          self.x = x

      def __del__(self):
          print(f'__del__ ran; {self.x=}')

      m1 = MyClass(10)
      m2 = MyClass(20)
      m3 = MyClass(30)
```

```
[176]: m1 = MyClass(40)

      __del__ ran; self.x=10
```

8 Who does use `__del__`?

1. Files – when they are freed, they are flushed and closed
2. NumPy arrays – when their refcount goes to 0, they free the C part of the memory usage
3. TempFile – erases the tempfile when the refcount goes to 0

```
[177]: import gc
```

```
[180]: x = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
      len(gc.get_referrers(x))
```

```
[180]: 1
```

```
[181]: y = x
```

```
[182]: len(gc.get_referrers(x))
```

```
[182]: 1
```

```
[183]: help(gc.get_referrers)
```

Help on built-in function get_referrers in module gc:

```
get_referrers(...)
    get_referrers(*objs) -> list
    Return the list of objects that directly refer to any of objs.
```

```
[184]: y = [x]
```

```
[185]: len(gc.get_referrers(x))
```

```
[185]: 2
```

9 Next time

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```
[186]: gc.collect()
```

```
[186]: 2701
```

```
[187]: x = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]

      del(x)    # this removes the variable x
```

```
[ ]:
```