

PYTHON OOPs

Attributes : Class attributes are the attributes which are owned by the class itself.

- Attributes will be shared by all the instances of the class. So, they have the same value for every instance.
- Class Attribute are placed outside of all methods in class . Generally they are placed immediately after class header.

Example :

```
class Support:
    A = "python supports OOPs concepts"
x = Support()
print (x.A)
```

Output :

```
python supports OOPs concepts
```

- In example we can say that here Support is a class with class attribute as A which is instantiated to an object x.

Accessing Attributes : After declaring the attributes to access these attributes in the class we can use **dot operator(.)** along with the object to which the class is instantiated.

- To access the class attributes we have to use class names.

Example :

```
class Student:
    'First class attribute'
    stdCount = 0
    def __init__(self,name,department):
        self.name = name
```

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        self.department = department

        Student.stdCount += 1

    def studentdetails(self):

        print

        ("Name:",self.name,"department:",self.department)

std1=Student("Rajesh","Electrical")

std2 = Student("Shekar","Civil")

print (std1.studentdetails())

print (std1.name)

print (std2.department)

print (Student.stdCount)

```

Output :

```

Name: Rajesh department: Electrical

Rajesh

Civil

2

```

- In the example we declared a class attribute as stdCount and methods which contains attributes.

- Method attributes can be accessed with objname.attributename.

- Class attributes are accessed using classname.attributename.

Functions for Class Attributes :

- **setattr(obj,name,value)** help to set an attribute. If it does not exist it will create a attribute with the name specified.

- **getattr(obj,name[,default])** is used to access a attribute in the object.

- **hasattr(obj,name)** check whether the attribute with the specified name exist in object or not.

- **delattr(obj,name)** function will delete the attribute from the object.

Example:

```
class Student:

    def __init__(self,name,department):

        self.name = name

        self.department = department

    def studentdetails(self):

        print

        ("Name:",self.name,"department:",self.department)

std1=Student("Rajesh","Electrical")

print (hasattr(std1,'name'))

setattr(std1,'department','Civil')

print (getattr(std1,'department'))

delattr(std1,'name')

print (getattr(std1,'department'))

print (getattr(std1,'name'))
```

Output :

True

Civil

Civil

```

Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "attributes.py", line 17, in <module>
    print (std1.studentdetails())
  File "attributes.py", line 9, in studentdetails
    print
("Name:",self.name,"department:",self.department)

AttributeError: 'Student' object has no attribute
'name'

```

- In example we used attribute function and accessed and changed value of the attributes.
- Change the value of department to civil by using setattr and checked department attribute exist or not with hasattr and deleted the name attribute using delattr.

• Here it shows error when tried to get name attribute value because we have already deleted the name attribute from the object.

Built-in functions : Python has some built in function that are used to get information about the attributes.

- These built-in function names are prefixed and suffixed using underscore.
- **__dict__**: It will display a dictionary containing all attributes along with its values of the class.
- **__doc__**: It will print the documentation of the class if exist and None if not defined.
- **__name__**: It will give the name of the class.
- **__module__**: It will return the module name in which it is defined otherwise it will return “__main__”.
- **__bases__**: This is used in inheritance when we use parent and child class. It will check where the class is base class are a child of another class and return the base class name.

Example:

```
class Student:

    'First class attribute'

    def __init__(self,name,department):

        self.name = name

        self.department = department

    def studentdetails(self):

        print

        ("Name:",self.name,"department:",self.department)

        print (Student.__doc__)

        print (Student.__name__)

        print (Student.__module__)

        print (Student.__bases__)

        print (Student.__dict__)
```

Output :

```
First class attribute

Student

__main__

(<class 'object'>,)

{'__module__': '__main__', '__doc__': 'First class attribute',
 '__init__': <function Student.__init__ at 0x0000025EDAD0F620>, 'studentdetails': <function
Student.studentdetails at 0x0000025EDAD0F6A8>, '__dict__': <attribute '__dict__' of 'Student'
objects>, '__weakref__': <attribute '__weakref__' of 'Student' objects>}.

```