

SI 506 Week 11

Objectives

- Understand the concept of classes
 - How to define classes
 - Common class methods (`__init__` and `__str__`)
 - Sorting class instances by attribute

Materials

- The iTunes search API. Documentation can be seen here:
<https://www.apple.com/itunes/affiliates/resources/documentation/itunes-store-web-service-search-api.html>
- “User-defined Classes” section in the textbook: [here](#)

Step 1: Create a Song Class

- Attributes:
 - `artist_name` [string]
 - `track_title` [string]
 - `track_url` [string]
 - `is_explicit` [boolean]
 - `track_duration` [integer]
 - Methods:
 - `__init__()`
 - `__str__()`
- When an instance of this class is printed, it should look like the following:
- ```
<Song Title> by <Artist> | <Track Duration> ms
```
- Thus, if you had the song “Bohemian Rhapsody” by Queen, it would print:
- ```
Bohemian Rhapsody by Queen | 4000 ms
```

Step 2: Create a sample instance of the Song class

Use the following information to create your instance, and save it in the variable `sample_inst`:

- The artist name is "Queen"
- The song title is "Bohemian Rhapsody"
- The track url is
`"https://itunes.apple.com/us/album/bohemian-rhapsody/932648190?i=932648449&uo=4"`

- The track time is 40000
- The track is not explicit

Now you can experiment with your sample instance:

- Print the instance to see if your `__str__` method prints the song as expected.

```
print(sample_inst)
```

- Try printing attributes of the instance, for example:

```
print(sample_inst.track_url)
print(sample_inst.is_explicit)
```

Step 3: Fetch Song Data from iTunes and return Song instances

- Modify the `get_from_itunes()` function from previous discussion sections to return a list of Song objects instead of just the song titles.

Hint: The Song object attributes should map to the following keys from the iTunes API response

- `artist_name` → `(artistName)` [string]
- `track_title` → `(trackName)` [string]
- `track_url` → `(trackViewUrl)` [string]
- `is_explicit` → `(trackExplicitness)` [boolean]
- `track_duration` → `(trackTimeMillis)` [integer]

```
import json
import requests

def get_from_itunes(name, mtype="song"):
    baseurl = "https://itunes.apple.com/search"
    parameters = {}
    parameters["term"] = name
    parameters["entity"] = mtype
    print("Making request to iTunes API...")
    response = requests.get(baseurl, params=parameters)
    python_obj = json.loads(response.text)

    # use python_obj to create instances of the Song class
```

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- Call your modified `get_from_itunes()` function for songs by the band “Queen” and print the returned songs.

Step 4: Sort the list based on the Song title

- Call your modified `get_from_itunes()` function for songs by the band “Queen”.
- Sort the returned list of Song instances based on the `track_title` attribute.
- Print the sorted list. The first few lines of your output will look like this:

```
A Kind of Magic by Queen | 261823 ms
Another One Bites the Dust by Queen | 215336 ms
Another One Bites the Dust by Queen | 215336 ms
Another One Bites the Dust (Remix) by Queen, Wyclef Jean & Pras
Michel | 260721 ms
Bicycle Race by Queen | 181201 ms
Bicycle Race by Queen | 181201 ms
Bohemian Rhapsody by Queen | 355145 ms
Bohemian Rhapsody by Queen | 355145 ms
Crazy Little Thing Called Love by Queen | 164904 ms
Crazy Little Thing Called Love by Queen | 164904 ms
Don't Stop Me Now by Queen | 210333 ms
Don't Stop Me Now by Queen | 210333 ms
```

Challenge if you are done:

- Add a method `play()` to the Song class, that opens its `track_url` in a web browser.
 - Hint: Use the [webbrowser](#) module's [open\(\)](#) function.
- Call the `play()` method on the `sample_inst` you created in step 2.