Inheritance, Midterm Review

Discussion 6: July 12, 2022

Midsemester Survey

Please fill out the course-wide midsemester survey by Wednesday, 7/13 @ 11:59pm PT. This survey is designed to help us make short term adjustments to the course so that it works better for you. We appreciate your feedback. We may not be able to make every change that you request, but we will read all the feedback and consider it.

Inheritance

Python classes can implement a useful abstraction technique known as *inheritance*. To illustrate this concept, consider the following Dog and Cat classes.

```
class Dog():
   def __init__(self, name, owner):
        self.is_alive = True
        self.name = name
        self.owner = owner
   def eat(self, thing):
        print(self.name + " ate a " + str(thing) + "!")
   def talk(self):
        print(self.name + " says woof!")
class Cat():
   def __init__(self, name, owner, lives=9):
        self.is_alive = True
        self.name = name
        self.owner = owner
        self.lives = lives
   def eat(self, thing):
        print(self.name + " ate a " + str(thing) + "!")
   def talk(self):
        print(self.name + " says meow!")
```

Notice that because dogs and cats share a lot of similar qualities, there is a lot of repeated code! To avoid redefining attributes and methods for similar classes, we can write a single *base class* from which the similar classes *inherit*. For example, we can write a class called Pet and redefine Dog as a *subclass* of Pet:

```
class Pet():
    def __init__(self, name, owner):
        self.is_alive = True  # It's alive!!!
        self.name = name
        self.owner = owner
    def eat(self, thing):
        print(self.name + " ate a " + str(thing) + "!")
    def talk(self):
        print(self.name)

class Dog(Pet):
    def talk(self):
        print(self.name + ' says woof!')
```

Inheritance represents a hierarchical relationship between two or more classes where one class is a (no relation to the Python is operator) more specific version of the other, e.g. a dog is a pet. Because Dog inherits from Pet, we didn't have to redefine __init__ or eat. However, since we want Dog to talk in a way that is unique to dogs, we did override the talk method.

We can use the **super()** function to refer to a class's *superclass*. For example, calling **super()** within the class definition of Dog allows us to access the same object but as if it were an instance of its superclass, in this case Pet. This is a little bit of a simplification, and if you're interested you can read more here.

Here's an example of an alternate equivalent definition of Dog that uses super() to explicitly call the __init__ method of the parent class:

```
class Dog(Pet):
    def __init__(self, name, owner):
        super().__init__(name, owner)
        # this is equivalent to calling Pet.__init__(self, name, owner)
    def talk(self):
        print(self.name + ' says woof!')
```

Keep in mind that creating the __init__ function shown above is actually not necessary, because creating a Dog instance will automatically call the __init__ method of Pet. Normally when defining an __init__ method in a subclass, we take some additional action to calling super().__init__. For example, we could add a new instance variable like the following:

```
def __init__(self, name, owner, has_floppy_ears):
    super().__init__(name, owner)
    self.has_floppy_ears = has_floppy_ears
```

Q1: Cat

Below is a skeleton for the Cat class, which inherits from the Pet class. To complete the implementation, override the <code>__init__</code> and talk methods and add a new <code>lose_life</code> method.

Hint: You can call the $_$ init $_$ method of Pet (the superclass of Cat) to set a cat's name and owner.

```
class Cat(Pet):
   def __init__(self, name, owner, lives=9):
        "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
   def talk(self):
        """Print out a cat's greeting.
        >>> Cat('Thomas', 'Tammy').talk()
        Thomas says meow!
        "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
   def lose_life(self):
        """Decrements a cat's life by 1. When lives reaches zero,
        is_alive becomes False. If this is called after lives has
        reached zero, print 'This cat has no more lives to lose.'
        "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
# You can use more space on the back if you want
```

Q2: NoisyCat

More cats! Fill in this implementation of a class called NoisyCat, which is just like a normal Cat. However, NoisyCat talks a lot: in fact, it talks twice as much as a regular Cat! If you'd like to test your code, feel free to copy over your solution to the Cat class above.

```
class _____ # Fill me in!
   """A Cat that repeats things twice."""
   def __init__(self, name, owner, lives=9):
        # Is this method necessary? Why or why not?
        "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
   def talk(self):
        """Talks twice as much as a regular cat.
       >>> NoisyCat('Magic', 'James').talk()
       Magic says meow!
       Magic says meow!
        0.00
        "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
# You can use more space on the back if you want
```

Higher Order Functions

Please refer back to Discussion 2 for an overview of higher order functions.

Q3: High Score

For the purposes of this problem, a score function is a pure function which takes a single number s as input and outputs another number, referred to as the score of s. Complete the best k segmenter function, which takes in a positive integer k and a score function score.

best_k_segmenter returns a function that takes in a single number n as input and returns the best k-segment of n, where a k-segment is a set of consecutive digits obtained by segmenting n into pieces of size k and the best segment is the segment with the highest score as determined by score. The segmentation is right to left.

For example, consider 1234567. Its 2-segments are 1, 23, 45 and 67 (a segment may be shorter than k if k does not divide the length of the number; in this case, 1 is the leftover, since the segmenation is right to left). Given the score function lambda x: -x, the best 2-segment is 1. With lambda x: x, the best segment is 67.

```
def best_k_segmenter(k, score):
   0.00
   >>> largest_digit_getter = best_k_segmenter(1, lambda x: x)
   >>> largest_digit_getter(12345)
   >>> largest_digit_getter(245351)
   >>> largest_pair_getter = best_k_segmenter(2, lambda x: x)
   >>> largest_pair_getter(12345)
   45
   >>> largest_pair_getter(245351)
   >>> best_k_segmenter(1, lambda x: -x)(12345)
   1
   >>> best_k_segmenter(3, lambda x: (x // 10) % 10)(192837465)
   192
   def best_getter(n):
      assert n > 0
      best_seg = None
      while ____:
         n, seg = partitioner(n)
         if ____:
             best_seg = seg
      return _____
   return _____
```

Recursion

Please refer back to Discussion 3 for an overview of recursion.

Q4: Ten-pairs

Write a function that takes a positive integer n and returns the number of ten-pairs it contains. A ten-pair is a pair of digits within n that sums to 10. Do not use any assignment statements.

The number 7,823,952 has 3 ten-pairs. The first and fourth digits sum to 7+3=10, the second and third digits sum to 8+2=10, and the second and last digit sum to 8+2=10. Note that a digit can be part of more than one ten-pair.

Hint: Complete and use the helper function count_digit to calculate how many times a digit appears in n.

```
def ten_pairs(n):
    """Return the number of ten-pairs within positive integer {\tt n}.
    >>> ten_pairs(7823952)
    3
    >>> ten_pairs(55055)
    6
    >>> ten_pairs(9641469)
    "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
def count_digit(n, digit):
    """Return how many times digit appears in n.
    >>> count_digit(55055, 5)
    4
    "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
```

Tree Recursion

Please refer back to Discussion 3 for an overview of tree recursion.

Q5: Making Onions

Write a function $make_onion$ that takes in two one-argument functions, f and g, and applies them in layers (like an onion). $make_onion$ is a higher-order function that returns a function that takes in three parameters, x, y, and limit. The returned function will return True if it is possible to reach y from x in limit steps or less, via only repeated applications of f and g, and False otherwise.

```
def make_onion(f, g):
   0.00
   Write a function make_onion that takes in two one-argument
   functions, F and G, and returns a function that will take in
   X, Y, and LIMIT and return True if it is possible to reach Y
   from X in LIMIT steps or less, via only repeated applications
   of F and G, and False otherwise.
   >>> add_one = lambda x: x + 1
   >>> mul_by_two = lambda y: y * 2
   >>> can_reach = make_onion(add_one, mul_by_two)
   >>> can_reach(0, 5, 4) # 5 = add_one(mul_by_two(mul_by_two(
   add_one(0))))
   True
                         # Not possible
   >>> can_reach(0, 5, 3)
   False
   >>> can_reach(1, 1, 0)
                         # 1 = 1
   True
   >>> add_ing = lambda x: x + "ing"
   >>> add_end = lambda y: y + "end"
   >>> can_reach_string = make_onion(add_ing, add_end)
   >>> can reach string("cry", "crying", 1)
                                         # "crying" =
   add_ing("cry")
   True
   >>> can_reach_string("un", "unending", 3)  # "unending" =
   add_ing(add_end("un"))
   >>> can_reach_string("peach", "folding", 4)
                                           # Not possible
   False
   0.00
   def can_reach(x, y, limit):
      if _____
          return _____
      elif _____
          return _____
      else:
          return _____ or
   return _____
```

Q6: Paths List

(Adapted from Fall 2013) Fill in the blanks in the implementation of paths, which takes as input two positive integers x and y. It returns a list of paths, where each path is a list containing steps to reach y from x by repeated incrementing or doubling. For instance, we can reach 9 from 3 by incrementing to 4, doubling to 8, then incrementing again to 9, so one path is [3, 4, 8, 9].

```
def paths(x, y):
  """Return a list of ways to reach y from x by repeated
  incrementing or doubling.
  >>> paths(3, 5)
  [[3, 4, 5]]
  >>> sorted(paths(3, 6))
  [[3, 4, 5, 6], [3, 6]]
  >>> sorted(paths(3, 9))
  [[3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9], [3, 4, 8, 9], [3, 6, 7, 8, 9]]
  >>> paths(3, 3) # No calls is a valid path
  [[3]]
  >>> paths(5, 3) # There is no valid path from x to y
  0.00
  if _____
     return _____
  elif _____
     return _____
  else:
     a = _____
     b = ____
     return _____
```

You're are a thief, and your job is to pick among n items that are of different weights and values. You have a knapsack that supports c pounds, and you want to pick some subset of the items so that you maximize the value you've stolen.

Define knapsack, which takes a list weights, list values and a capacity c, and returns that max value. You may assume that item 0 weighs weights[0] pounds, and is worth values[0]; item 1 weighs weights[1] pounds, and is worth values [1]; etc.

```
def knapsack(weights, values, c):
   >>> w = [2, 6, 3, 3]
   >>> v = [1, 5, 3, 3]
   >>> knapsack(w, v, 6)
   0.00
   "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
# You can use more space on the back if you want
```

Lists and Mutability

Please refer back to Discussion 4 for an overview of lists, and Discussion 5 for an overview of mutability.

Q8: Otter Pops

Draw an environment diagram for the following program.

Some things to remember: * When you mutate a list, you are changing the original list. * When you concatenate two lists (a + b), you are creating a new list. * When you assign a name to an existing object, you are creating another reference to that object rather than creating a copy of that object.

```
star, fish = 3, 5
otter = [1, 2, 3, 4]
soda = otter[1:]

otter[star] = fish
otter.append(soda.remove(2))
otter[otter[0]] = soda
soda[otter[0]] = otter[1]
soda = soda + [otter.pop(3)]
otter[1] = soda[1][1][0]
soda.append([soda.pop(1)])
```

You can check your solution here on PythonTutor.