

Object Oriented Programming

Introduction to Programming

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Programming Paradigms

Imperative programming

Programmer says what to do by

1. **Procedural** – grouping instructions into functions.
2. **Object-oriented** – grouping instructions into functions with state memory.

Note: **Imperative** (adjective) means giving an authoritative command.

Programming Paradigms

Declarative programming

Programmer declares what they want through

1. **functional** a series of function applications.
2. **logic** a question about a system of facts and rules.
3. **mathematical** optimization.

Object Oriented Programming

The fundamental building block of OOP is the **class** or **object**. In Object Oriented Programming (OOP) the design principle is to solve a problem by creating objects that interact with one another.

Definition (Object)

An **object** is a collection of data called **fields** or **attributes** along with code grouped into methods. An object can reference and change itself and has a notion of **self**.

First Object

```
>>> class Point():
...     def __init__(self):
...         self.x = 0
...         self.y = 0
>>> p = Point()
>>> p
<__main__.Point object at 0x10a9e0dd8>
>>> type(p)
<class '__main__.Point'>
>>> p.x = 2
>>> p.y = 3
>>> (p.x, p.y)
(2, 3)
```

Motivating Question

Question

Suppose we had to represent a group of students and store data about them. How can we store this data in Python?

Nested Lists

```
>>> data = [[name1, gpa1, utoid1],  
            [name2, gpa2, utoid2],  
            ...,  
            [namek, gpak, utoidk]]
```

Problems

1. Attribute order must be memorized.
2. Finding a student is hard.
3. List elements do not have meaningful names. “data[3]”
4. No easy way to compare students.
5. Cannot support multiple types of students.

Dictionary of Lists

```
>>> data = { name1: [gpa1, utoid1],  
             name2: [gpa2, utoid2],  
             ...,  
             namek: [gpak, utoidk]}
```

Problems

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Dictionary of Lists

```
>>> data = {name1: {"gpa": {gpa1}, "id": {utoidk}},  
            name2: {"gpa": {gpa1}, "id": {utoidk}},  
            ...,  
            namek: {"gpa": {gpak}, "id": {utoidk}}
```

Problems

1. Gets messy (i.e. Assignment 3).
2. Hard to modify.

First Object

```
>>> class Point():  
...     def __init__(self, x:int, y:int):  
...         self.x = 0  
...         self.y = 0
```

```
>>> p = Point(2, 3)
```

```
>>> (p.x, p.y)
```

```
(2, 3)
```

Question

Implement the student class.

Object Methods

```
>>> class Person:
...     def __init__(self, name, age):           Initializes the object.
...         self.name = name
...         self.age  = age

...     def foo(self):
...         print("Hi! My name is {}".format(self.name) )
...         return None

>>> p = Person("Slim Shady")
>>> p.foo()
Hi! My name is Slim Shady.
```

```
>>> class Counter:
...     def __init__(self) -> None:
...         self._value = 0
...
...     def get_value(self) -> int:
...         return self._value
...
...     def click(self) -> None:
...         self._value = self._value + 1
...
...     def reset(self) -> None:
...         self._value = 0
...
>>> sally = Counter()
```

Private Variables

The underscore on `_value` in the previous slide is used to denote this name as **private** indicate that programmers should **never** manipulate this value outside the object.

Question

Implement the methods `add_student`, `drop_student`, and `is_passing` in the student class.

Next Time

1. More objects.