

Object Oriented Programming and Classes

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You've already used lots of classes created by other people (`int`, `str`, `float`, `list`, `dict`, etc.); these are designed to represent simple pieces of information, such as the cost of an apple, the name of a student. What if you want to represent something more complex? **In this chapter, you'll learn how to create your custom classes.**

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We first define a class called `Dog` with the `class` keyword. By convention, capitalized names refer to classes in Python. We then write a docstring describing what this class does.

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2. The `self` parameter is required in the method definition, and it must come first before any other parameters. It must be included in the definition because when `Python` calls this method later, the method call will automatically pass the object to the `self`. The two variables defined in the body of the `__init__()` method each have the prefix `self`. Any variable prefixed with `self` is available to every method in the class, and we'll also be able to access these variables through any instance created from the class, which can be different between instances.

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4. The `Dog` class has two other methods defined: `sit()` and `roll_over()`. Because these methods don't need additional information to run, we define them to have one parameter, `self`, so that the instances we create later will have access to these methods. In other words, they'll be able to sit and roll over.

Making an Instance from a Class

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        print(my_dog.age)
        my_dog.sit()
        my_dog.roll_over()
```

Willie

6

Willie is now sitting.

Willie rolled over!

Creating Multiple Instances

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In [7]: my_dog = Dog('Willie', 6)
        your_dog = Dog('Lucy', 3)
        # Even though my_dog and your_dog are both instances of the Dog class, they are not the same object
        print(my_dog == your_dog)

        print(f"My dog's name is {my_dog.name}.")
        print(f"My dog is {my_dog.age} years old.")
        my_dog.sit()

        print(f"\nYour dog's name is {your_dog.name}.")
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        your_dog.sit()
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My dog's name is Willie.

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Willie is now sitting.

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Working with Classes and Instances

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        self.odometer_reading = 0

    def get_descriptive_name(self):
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        long_name = f"Created in {self.year}, {self.make} {self.model}"
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In the `Car` class, we define the `__init__()` method with the `self` parameter first, just like we did with the `Dog` class. We also give it other parameters: `make`, `model`, `year` and `odometer_reading`. The `__init__()` method takes in these parameters and assigns them to the attributes associated with instances made from this class.

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Not many cars are sold with exactly 0 miles on the odometer, so we need a way to change the value of this attribute.

In [4]: `display_quiz(path+"create_class.json", max_width=800)`

What is printed by the following code?

```
class Car:
    def __init__(self, brand, year):
        self.brand = brand
        self.year = year
    def get_info(self):
        return f"{self.brand} - {self.year}"

my_car = Car("Toyota", 2020)
print(my_car.get_info())
```

Car - 2020

Error: __init__ missing required arguments

Toyota - 2020

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Modifying Attribute Values

You can change an attribute's value in different ways: you can change the value directly through an instance, set the value through a method, or increment the value (add a certain amount to it) through a method. The simplest way to modify the value of an attribute is to access the attribute directly through an instance.

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It can be helpful to have methods that update certain attributes for you. Instead of accessing the attribute directly, you pass the new value to a method that handles the updating internally.

```
In [14]: class Car:
    def __init__(self, make, model, year):
        self.make, self.model, self.year, self.odometer_reading = make, model
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    def update_odometer(self, mileage):
        """
        1. Set the odometer reading to the given value. Reject the change if
        """
        if mileage >= self.odometer_reading:
            self.odometer_reading = mileage
        else:
            print("You can't roll back an odometer!")

    def increment_odometer(self, miles):
        """2 . Add the given amount to the odometer reading."""
        self.odometer_reading += miles

    def fill_gas_tank(self):
        """3. Filling the gas tank."""
        print("The gas tank is now full!")
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my_new_car.increment_odometer(100)
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You can use methods like this to control how users use your program by including additional logic!

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When writing your classes, it's a good idea to have a method that returns a string containing useful information about a class instance. You can change this behavior by adding a special function `__repr__`.

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        return f'Car(make={self.make}, model={self.model}, year={self.year})'

    def __str__(self):
        return self.get_descriptive_name()
```

```
In [18]: my_new_car = Car('audi', 'a4', 2023)
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```
In [19]: print(my_new_car)
         str(my_new_car)
```

```
Created In 2023 Audi A4
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Out[19]: 'Created In 2023 Audi A4'
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Special methods like `__init__()`, `__str__()` and `__repr__` are called **dunder methods** (Double UNDERscore). There are many dunder methods that you can use to customize classes.

```
In [5]: display_quiz(path+"string_class.json", max_width=800)
```

What is printed by the following code?

```
class Person:
    def __init__(self, name, age):
        self.name = name
        self.age = age
    def __repr__(self):
        return f"Person('{self.name}', {self.age})"
    def __str__(self):
        return f"{self.name} {self.age} years old"

p = Person("Bob", 25)
print(repr(p))
print(p)
```

```
Bob (25 years old)
Person('Bob', 25)
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Exercise 1: Create a `Pokemon` class with three instance attributes: `name`, which stores the name of the Pokemon as a string, `type` which stores the type of Pokemon (e.g., "Fire", "Water", "Grass", etc.) as string and `total_species` as an integer. In addition, add the `__str__()` method to the class so that it can print out meaningful information as follows:

```
Pikachu (Electric, total species 320)
```

Complete the following class and execute the code cell to see which six Pokemon you get.

```
In [ ]: import random
import json
import time
import requests

def slow_print(text, delay=0.05):
    for char in text:
        print(char, end='', flush=True)
        time.sleep(delay)
    print()

class Pokemon:
    # Your code here
    def __init__(_, __, __, __):
        _____

    # Your code here
    def __str__(_):
        return f"{{_}} ({{_}}, total specis {{_}})"
```

```
In [ ]: ## 1. Download the data
url = 'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/fanzeyi/pokemon.json/master/pokedex.
response = requests.get(url)

if response.status_code == 200:
    with open('pokedex.json', 'w', encoding = "utf-8") as f:
        f.write(response.text)
else:
    print(f"Failed to download the file. Status code: {response.status_code}")

with open('Pokedex.json', 'r' , encoding = "utf-8") as file:
    pokemon_data = json.load(file)

## 2. Randomly pick 6 pokemon

random.shuffle(pokemon_data)
picks = pokemon_data[:6]
```

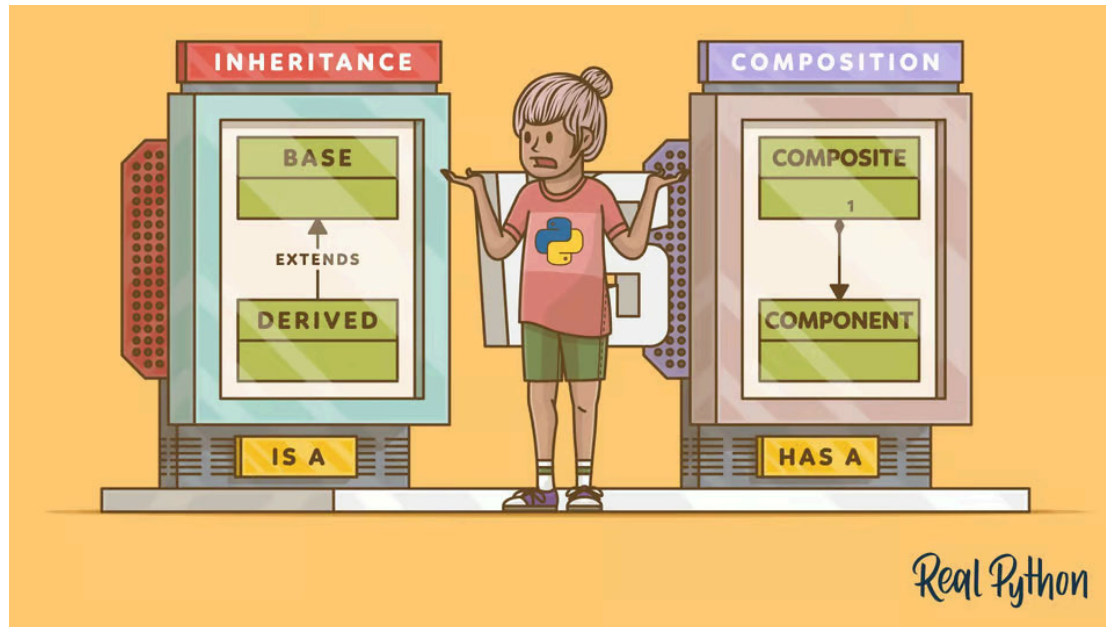
```
In [ ]: ## 3. Print the pokemon you got!
print("The pokemon you got are: ")
for i in range(6):
    pokemon = Pokemon(picks[i]['name']['english'], picks[i]['type'][0], sum([
        slow_print(str(pokemon))
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source: <https://realpython.com/inheritance-composition-python/>

The `__init__()` method for a Child Class

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In [22]: class ElectricCar(Car):
        """Represent aspects of a car, specific to electric vehicles."""
        def __init__(self, make, model, year):
            """
            Initialize attributes of the parent class.
            Then initialize attributes specific to an electric car.
            """
            super().__init__(make, model, year) # Call the constructor of parent
            self.battery_size = 40

        def describe_battery(self):
            """Print a statement describing the battery size."""
            print(f"This car has a {self.battery_size}-kWh battery.")
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Say the class `Car` had a method called `fill_gas_tank()`. This method is meaningless for an all-electric vehicle, so you might want to override this method. Here's one way to do that:

```
In [28]: class ElectricCar(Car):
        """Represent aspects of a car, specific to electric vehicles."""
        def __init__(self, make, model, year):
            """
            Initialize attributes of the parent class.
            Then initialize attributes specific to an electric car.
            """
            super().__init__(make, model, year)
            self.battery_size = 40

        def describe_battery(self):
            """Print a statement describing the battery size."""
            print(f"This car has a {self.battery_size}-kWh battery.")

        ## We override the method here
        def fill_gas_tank(self):
            """Electric cars don't have gas tanks."""
            print("This car doesn't have a gas tank!")
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For example, if we continue adding detail to the `ElectricCar` class, we might notice that we're adding many attributes and methods specific to the car's battery. When we see this happening, we can stop and move those attributes and methods to a separate class called `Battery`. Then we can use a `Battery` instance as an attribute in the `ElectricCar` class.

```
In [31]: class Battery:
    """A simple attempt to model a battery for an electric car."""
    def __init__(self, battery_size=40):
        """Initialize the battery's attributes."""
        self.battery_size = battery_size

    def describe_battery(self):
        """Print a statement describing the battery size."""
        print(f"This car has a {self.battery_size}-kWh battery.")

    def get_range(self):
        """Print a statement about the range this battery provides."""
        if self.battery_size == 40:
            range = 150 # Class attributes
        elif self.battery_size == 65:
            range = 225
        print(f"This car can go about {range} miles on a full charge.")

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Any `ElectricCar` instance will now have a `Battery` instance created automatically. When we want to describe the battery, we need to work through the car's battery attribute:

```
In [32]: my_leaf = ElectricCar('nissan', 'leaf', 2023)
         print(my_leaf.get_descriptive_name())
         my_leaf.battery.describe_battery()
         my_leaf.battery.get_range()
```

```
Created In 2023 Nissan Leaf
This car has a 40-kWh battery.
This car can go about 150 miles on a full charge.
```

```
In [ ]: display_quiz(path+"inheritance.json", max_width=800)
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Encapsulation - Attributes for data access

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By convention, **Python programmers know that any attribute name beginning with an underscore (`_`) is for a class's internal use only.** Code should use the class's methods to interact with each object's internal-use data attributes. Attributes whose identifiers do not begin with an underscore (`_`) are considered publicly accessible.

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    """Class Time with read-write attributes."""
    def __init__(self, hour=0, minute=0, second=0):
        """Initialize each attribute."""
        self.set_hour(hour)      # 0-23, note that this line calls the
setter method hour
        self.set_minute(minute)  # 0-59, note that this line calls the
setter method minute
        self.set_second(second)  # 0-59, note that this line calls the
setter method second
    #getter
    def get_hour(self):
        """Return the hour."""
        print("getter is called")
        return self._hour # Private data
    #setter
    def set_hour(self, hour):
        """Set the hour."""
        print("setter is called")
        if not (0 <= hour < 24):
            raise ValueError(f'Hour ({hour}) must be 0-23')

        self._hour = hour
```

```

#getter
def get_minute(self):
    """Return the minute."""
    return self._minute # Private data
#setter
def set_minute(self, minute):
    """Set the minute."""
    if not (0 <= minute < 60):
        raise ValueError(f'Minute ({minute}) must be 0-59')

    self._minute = minute
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def get_second(self):
    """Return the second."""
    return self._second # Private data
#setter
def set_second(self, second):
    """Set the second."""
    if not (0 <= second < 60):
        raise ValueError(f'Second ({second}) must be 0-59')

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```
In [5]: wake_up._hour
```

```
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Simulating "Private" Attributes

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        """Class with public and private attributes."""

        def __init__(self):
            """Initialize the public and private attributes."""
            self.public_data = "public" # public attribute
            self._private_data = "private1" # private attribute
            self.__private_data = "private2" # private attribute
```

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```
In [9]: my_object.__private_data
```

```
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AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call  
last)  
~\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_9884\3291977527.py in <module>  
----> 1 my_object.__private_data  
  
AttributeError: 'PrivateClass' object has no attribute '__private_dat  
a'
```

In [74]: `display_quiz(path+"encapsulation.json", max_width=800)`

What is printed by the following code?

```
class Person:
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.__name = name # private attribute

    def get_name(self):
        return self.__name

p = Person("Alice")
print(p.get_name())
print(p.__name)
```

```
AttributeError
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AttributeError
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In [46]: class ExampleClass:
          def exampleRegularMethod(self):
              print('This is a regular method.')
          # This is the "decorator" that takes another function as input,
          # extends or modifies its behavior, and returns a new function
          @classmethod
          def exampleClassMethod(cls):
              print('This is a class method.')
```

```
In [47]: ExampleClass.exampleRegularMethod() # This is not a valid statement
```

```
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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call  
last)  
~\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_27100\3660119935.py in <module>  
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In [48]: # Call the class method without instantiating an object!  
ExampleClass.exampleClassMethod()  
  
obj = ExampleClass()  
# Given the above line, these two lines are equivalent  
# Note that we can also access the class method using obj!  
obj.exampleClassMethod() # It will implicitly pass the class instead of the o  
obj.__class__.exampleClassMethod()
```

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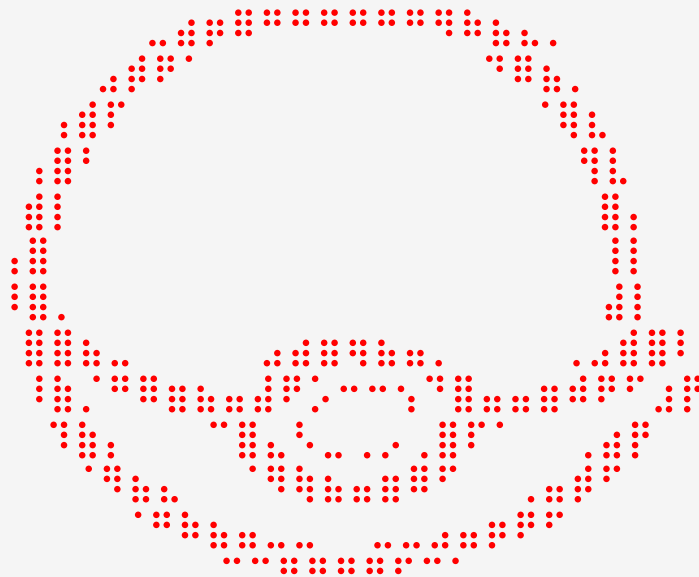
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Class methods aren't commonly used. The most frequent use case is to provide **alternative constructor** methods besides `__init__()`. For example, what if a constructor function could accept either a `string` of data the new object needs or a `string` of a filename that contains the data the new object needs?

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Overwriting pokeball.txt

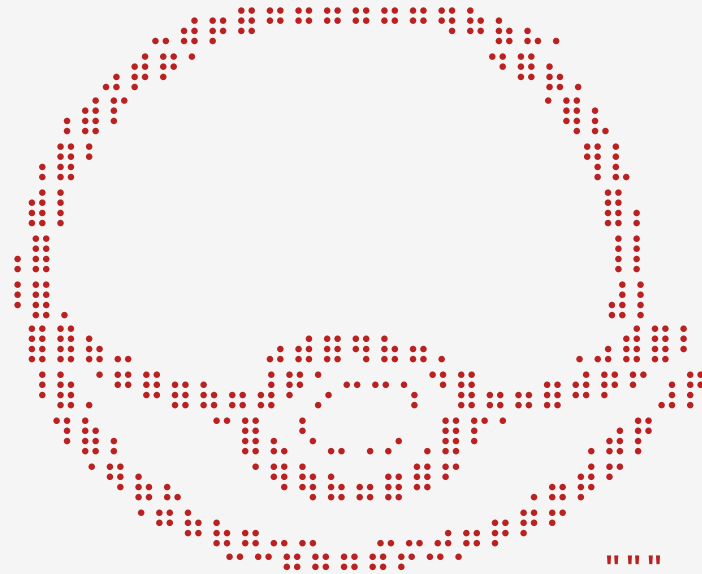
```
In [51]: class AsciiArt:
    def __init__(self, characters):
        """ Approach1: Initialize it with string """
        self._characters = characters

    @classmethod
    def fromFile(cls, filename):
        """ Approach2: Initialize it with filename """
        with open(filename) as fileObj:
            characters = fileObj.read()
        return AsciiArt(characters) # This calls the __init__ function, notice

    def display(self):
        print(self._characters)

# Other AsciiArt methods would go here...
```

```
In [ ]: ball1 = AsciiArt("""
```

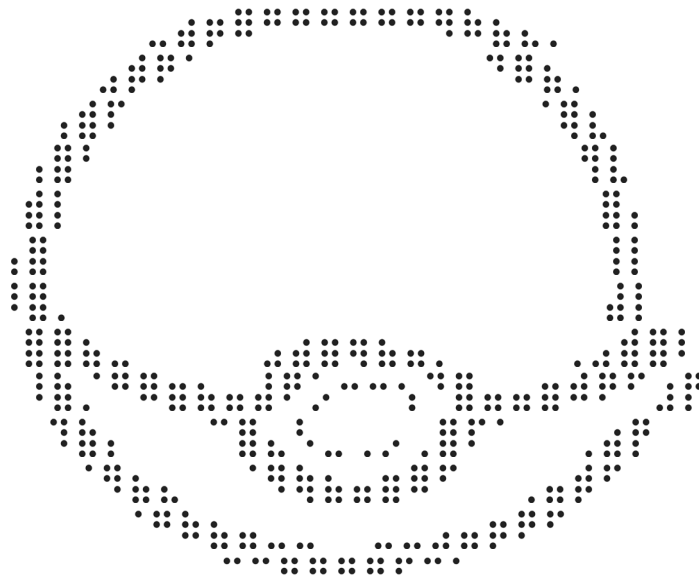


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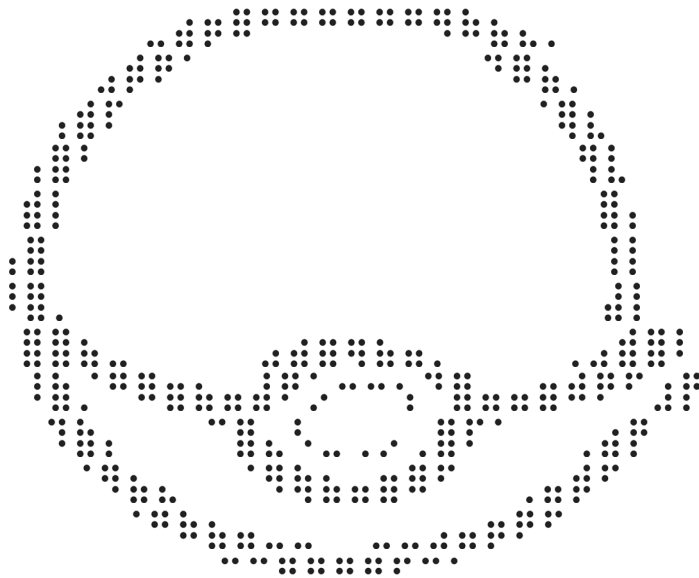
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The `AsciiArt` class has an `__init__()` method that can be passed the text characters of the image as a string. It also has a `fromFile()` class method that can be passed the filename string of a text file containing the ASCII art. Both methods create `AsciiArt` objects.

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```
In [54]: class CreateCounter:
          count = 0 # This is a class attribute.

          def __init__(self):
              CreateCounter.count += 1

          print('Objects created:', CreateCounter.count) # Prints 0.
          a = CreateCounter()
          b = CreateCounter()
          c = CreateCounter()
          print('Objects created:', CreateCounter.count) # Prints 3.
```

Objects created: 0

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In [75]: `display_quiz(path+"class_method.json", max_width=800)`

What is printed by the following code?

```
class MyClass:
    count = 0

    def __init__(self):
        MyClass.count += 1

    @classmethod
    def get_count(cls):
        return cls.count

obj1 = MyClass()
obj2 = MyClass()
print(obj1.get_count())
print(MyClass.get_count())
```

2
2

2
0

1
1

0
2

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In `Python`, we can achieve method polymorphism by defining a method in a base class and then overriding it in the derived classes. Each derived class can then provide its implementation of the method.

```
In [58]: class Animal:
        def __init__(self, name):
            self.name = name

        def speak(self):
            pass # Don't do anything and prevent error by using this keyword

class Dog(Animal):
    def speak(self):
        return "Woof!"

class Cat(Animal):
    def speak(self):
        return "Meow!"
```

```
In [ ]: def speak(animal):  
        print(animal.speak())  
  
animals = [Dog("Rufus"), Cat("Whiskers"), Dog("Buddy")]  
  
# method overloading  
for animal in animals:  
    print(f'{animal.name} : {animal.speak()}')  
  
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In [59]: class Point:
          def __init__(self, x, y):
              self.x = x
              self.y = y

          def __add__(self, other):
              return Point(self.x + other.x, self.y + other.y)

          def __eq__(self, other):
              return (self.x == other.x) and (self.y == other.y)
```

```
In [60]: p1 = Point(1, 2)
p2 = Point(3, 4)
p3 = p1 + p2
p4 = Point(4, 6)
print(p3.x, p3.y) # Output: 4 6
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In this example, we define the `__add__` and `__eq__` method in the `Point` class to implement the addition and equality of two `Point` objects. When we use the `+` and `=` operators with two `Point` objects, the `__add__` and `__eq__` methods are called automatically to perform the addition and comparison.

For more information about overloading, see [here](#).

```
In [76]: display_quiz(path+"poly.json", max_width=800)
```

What is printed by the following code?

```
class Shape:
    def area(self):
        return "No area"

class Circle(Shape):
    def __init__(self, radius):
        self.radius = radius
    def area(self):
        return 3.14 * self.radius * self.radius

class Square(Shape):
    def __init__(self, side):
        self.side = side
    def area(self):
        return self.side * self.side

shapes = [Circle(2), Square(3)]
for shape in shapes:
    print(shape.area())
```

12.56
9

12.56 9

9
12.56

No area
No area

> Exercise 2: Inherit from `Pokemon` class to create new classes, `firePokemon` and `waterPokemon`, that accept the same parameters when constructed. Add a new method `attack()` for the two derived classes that receive a single parameter `attack_type` and print out the message like this:

```
Magmortar is attacking with flamethrower
```

In addition, define a function `PokemonAttack()`, which receives a `Pokemon` object and an `attack_type`, then call the method `attack()`. Complete the following class/function and execute the code cell.

```
In [61]: class Pokemon:
    def __init__(self, name, type, total_specis):
        self.name = name
        self.type = type
        self.total_specis = total_specis

    def __str__(self):
        return f"{self.name} ({self.type}, total specis {self.total_specis})"

class firePokemon(Pokemon):
    # Your code here
    def __init__(self, name, type, total_specis):
        self.name = name
        self.type = type
        self.total_specis = total_specis
    # Your code here
    def attack(self, attack_type):
        print(f"{self.name} is attacking with {attack_type}")
```

```
In [63]: import random
import json
import time
import requests

class waterPokemon(Pokemon):
    # Your code here
    def __init__(self, name, type, total_specis):
        super().__init__(name, type, total_specis)
    # Your code here
    def attack(self, attack_type):
        print(f"{self.name} is attacking with {attack_type}")

def PokemonAttack(pokemon, attack_type):
    # Your code here
    pokemon.attack(attack_type)

def slow_print(text, delay=0.05):
    for char in text:
        print(char, end='', flush=True)
        time.sleep(delay)
    print()
```



```
In [64]: ## 1. Download the data
url = 'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/fanzeyi/pokemon.json/master/pokedex.'
response = requests.get(url)

if response.status_code == 200:
    with open('pokedex.json', 'w', encoding = "utf-8") as f:
        f.write(response.text)
else:
    print(f"Failed to download the file. Status code: {response.status_code}")

with open('Pokedex.json', 'r', encoding = "utf-8") as file:
    pokemon_data = json.load(file)
```

```
In [65]: ## 2. Get the pokemon
random.shuffle(pokemon_data)
getpokemon = []
i = 0
while True:
    if len(getpokemon) == 6:
        break
    if pokemon_data[i]['type'][0] != "Fire" and pokemon_data[i]['type'][0] !=
        i += 1
        continue
    else:
        if pokemon_data[i]['type'][0] == "Fire":
            pokemon = firePokemon(pokemon_data[i]['name']['english'], pokemon)
        else:
            pokemon = waterPokemon(pokemon_data[i]['name']['english'], pokemo
getpokemon.append(pokemon)
i += 1
```

```
In [66]: # 3. Print the pokemon and attack!  
for i in range(6):  
    if getpokemon[i].type == "Fire":  
        attack = 'flamethrower'  
    else:  
        attack = 'hydro pump'  
    PokemonAttack(getpokemon[i], attack)
```

Palkia is attacking with hydro pump
Kingdra is attacking with hydro pump
Seaking is attacking with hydro pump
Clamperl is attacking with hydro pump
Greninja is attacking with hydro pump
Azumarill is attacking with hydro pump

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```
In [2]: from jupytercards import display_flashcards  
fpath= "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/phonchi/nsysu-math106A/refs/heads/m  
display_flashcards(fpath + 'ch8.json')
```

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