

# Solutions — Object Oriented Programming

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## 0. Skeleton

`fraction.py`

```
class Fraction(object):  
    def __init__(self, numerator, denominator=1):  
        self._numerator = numerator  
        self._denominator = denominator
```

`test_fraction.py`

```
>>> f1 = Fraction(1, 2)
```

# 1. Adding a print representation

fraction.py

```
class Fraction(object):
    def __init__(self, numerator, denominator=1):
        self._numerator = numerator
        self._denominator = denominator

    def __str__(self):
        return str(self._numerator) + '/' + str(self._denominator)
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(1, 2)
1/2
```

## 2. Add the + operator

fraction.py

```
class Fraction(object):
    def __init__(self, numerator, denominator=1):
        self._numerator = numerator
        self._denominator = denominator

    def __str__(self):
        return str(self._numerator) + '/' + str(self._denominator)

    def __add__(self, other):
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other._denominator +
                        other._numerator * self._denominator,
                        self._denominator * other._denominator)
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(1, 2) + Fraction(2, 3)
7/6
```

### 3. Add an invert function

fraction.py

```
class Fraction(object):  
    ...  
  
    def __str__(self):  
        return str(self._numerator) + '/' + str(self._denominator)  
  
    def __add__(self, other):  
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other._denominator +  
                        other._numerator * self._denominator,  
                        self._denominator * other._denominator)  
  
    def invert(self):  
        return Fraction(self._denominator, self._numerator)
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(1, 2).invert()  
2/1
```

## 4. Conversion to a decimal representation

fraction.py

```
class Fraction(object):  
    ...  
  
    def __add__(self, other):  
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other._denominator +  
                        other._numerator * self._denominator,  
                        self._denominator * other._denominator)  
  
    def invert(self):  
        return Fraction(self._denominator, self._numerator)  
  
    def to_float(self):  
        return float(self._numerator) / float(self._denominator)
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(1, 2).to_float()  
0.5
```

## 5. Get the integer part of a fraction

fraction.py

```
class Fraction(object):  
    ...  
  
    def invert(self):  
        return Fraction(self._denominator, self._numerator)  
  
    def to_float(self):  
        return float(self._numerator) / float(self._denominator)  
  
    def integer(self):  
        return int(self._numerator) / int(self._denominator)
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(7, 6).integer()  
1
```

## 6a. Subtracting

fraction.py

```
class Fraction(object):  
    ...  
  
    def to_float(self):  
        return float(self._numerator) / float(self._denominator)  
  
    def integer(self):  
        return int(self._numerator) / int(self._denominator)  
  
    def __sub__(self, other):  
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other._denominator -  
                        other._numerator * self._denominator,  
                        self._denominator * other._denominator)
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(1, 2) - Fraction(2, 3)  
-1/6
```



## 6b. Multiplication

fraction.py

```
class Fraction(object):  
    ...  
  
    def integer(self):  
        return int(self._numerator) / int(self._denominator)  
  
    def __sub__(self, other):  
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other._denominator -  
                        other._numerator * self._denominator,  
                        self._denominator * other._denominator)  
  
    def __mul__(self, other):  
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other._numerator,  
                        self._denominator * other._denominator)
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(1, 2) * Fraction(2, 3)  
2/6
```

## 6c. Division

fraction.py

```
class Fraction(object):  
    ...  
  
    def __sub__(self, other):  
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other._denominator -  
                        other._numerator * self._denominator,  
                        self._denominator * other._denominator)  
  
    def __mul__(self, other):  
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other._numerator,  
                        self._denominator * other._denominator)  
  
    def __div__(self, other):  
        return self * other.invert()
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(1, 2) / Fraction(2, 3)  
3/4
```

## 7. Simplification

fraction.py

```
def gcd(a, b):  
    if b == 0:  
        return a  
    return gcd(b, a % b)  
  
class Fraction(object):  
    ...  
  
    def simplify(self):  
        divisor = gcd(self._numerator, self._denominator)  
        self._numerator = self._numerator / divisor  
        self._denominator = self._denominator / divisor  
        return self
```

test\_fraction.py

```
>>> print Fraction(2, 6).simplify()  
1/3
```

## 8–12. More advanced stuff

8. It would be a good idea to `simplify()` after each arithmetic operator.

9. Here, you really need the fractions to be in a *normal* form.

10. Probably (for printing reasons) you would like for the numerator to be negative and not the denominator, avoid  $1/-4$ . And convert to positive when both the numerator and denominator are negative.

11. Something like:

```
def __mul__(self, other):  
    if isinstance(other, int):  
        return Fraction(self._numerator * other, self._denominator)  
    return Fraction(self._numerator * other._numerator,  
                    self._denominator * other._denominator)
```

12. Using `isinstance(numerator, int)` etc. in the `__init__` function.

# General remarks

- As always, more docstrings and *more* comments;
- All `imports` on the top of the file;
- a `is` `b` does *not* check for numerical equality: use `==`;
- *Never* use bitwise operators: `&`, `|`, `^`, `~`: use `and` or `not`;
- Prefer not calling the special functions, e.g., `__add__` directly: use `+`;
- Try to make your code look *beautiful*.