



Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)

What are objects *in the real world*?

Things that can be perceived, used, or interacted with

They can be *physical*:

- Chair is a type of furniture
- Human is a type of mammal
- Fork is a type of utensil

or *abstract*:

- Happiness is a type of emotion
- Friendship is a type of relationship
- Learning is a type of experience

And they all serve distinct purposes!

What are objects *in Python*?

Many types of data in Python:

```
23          "hello world!"          3.14159          [24, 26, 25, 27]
{110.001: "Lytle and Jordan", 110.003: "Hinks"}          True
```

Every object has:

- A type
- An internal data representation
- A set of procedures for interaction with the object

An object is an instance of a type

- `23` is an instance of an `int`
- `"hello world!"` is an instance of a `str`

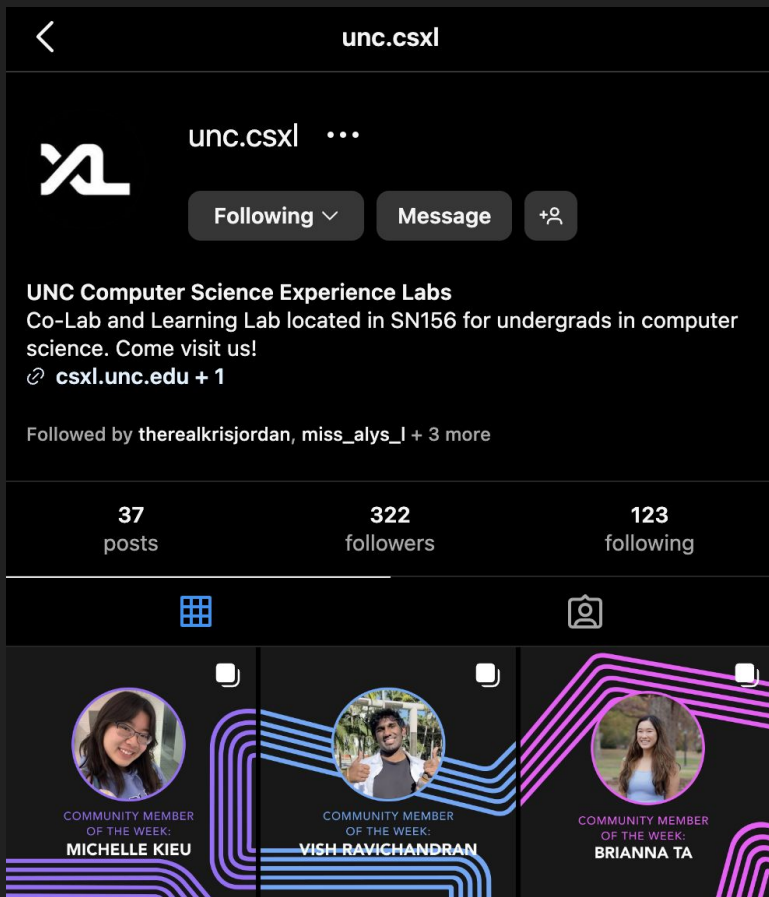
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Instagram has over **2 billion** user profiles...

What challenges could we encounter?

It'd be nice to be able to bundle these attributes and functions into one object per profile...

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Memory diagram

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How could we change our attributes to do this?

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18 my_prof.following.append("unc.latinosintech")
19 print(my_prof.following)
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Use a
list[str]!

Initially
empty...

Until we follow
an account!