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What is an object?

So far, we've been doing procedural programming:

↳ data is passive → manipulated/combined with operations

... but this doesn't reflect real life!

[Objects] super variables!

- contains data called instance variables (knows stuff)

- has its own functions called methods (can do stuff)

- interacts w/ other objects

- [class] - the class is like the definition of the object

↳ determines the instance variables/methods that define a type of an object

ex) • class Dog ← creating the "recipe" to a cake. Doesn't exist as an object yet

- Chice = Dog(...)

↑ an object, or an [instance] of the Dog class

↑ the object contains all the data about a specific dog

So creating an object is like creating a variable!

- Dog class could contain instance variables for...

name, breed, gender, age, owner, etc.

myDog = Dog("Chice", "Weathe", 14)

instance variable

↑ creating a new class

↳ instance variable

- methods: the pencil means possession. the method that belongs to the variable. method(parameters) values as parameters to the variable

ex) myDog.eat("Treat")

- Interact w/ other objects → Dog object can interact w/ other objects like other Dogs, Humans, Squirrels, etc.

ex) myDog.play(anotherDog)

↖ some other Dog object — all of its info is jammed into this method.

Chapter 4: Objects and Graphics

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Chapter 4.1: overview

Object oriented (OO) - encompasses a number of principles for designing and implementing software

Graphical user interface (GUI) - provides visual elements

Tkinter → standard python GUI module

↳ we will use a graphics library `graphics.py`, -
a wrapper around Tkinter

Chapter 4.2: The Object of Objects

Basic idea behind OO development: view a complex system as the interaction of simpler objects

[OO object] a sort of "active" data type that combines both data and operations (have operations)

↳ objects know stuff (contain data) and can do stuff

↳ objects interact by sending each other "messages", or requests for an object to perform one of its operations

Chapter 4.3: Simple Graphics programming

steps: 1) `import graphics` ← import the graphics module

2) create a graphics window or `GraphWin`,

a place on the screen where the graphics will appear

↳ `win = graphics.GraphWin()`

this will create a new window on your screen;

it will have the title "Graphics Window."

Since `GraphWin` is an object, assign it to the variable `win`

↳ now, we can manipulate the window object through this variable

ex) destroy the window when done

`win.close()` ← note: dot notation, but w/ a variable name, not a module name

Chapter 4.3 continued:

Alternative process:

1) type "from graphics import *"

from
allows you
to load
specific
definitions
from a library

can list the names
of definitions to be
imported, or use the asterisk
to import everything defined in
the module

2) wow! now we can say:

win = GraphWin() ← instead

[pixels] - make up a graphics window; tiny points;
short for "picture elements"; controlling their colors
controls what is showing in the window

↳ by default: GraphWin is 200 × 200 pixels

[Point] - simplest object in the graphics module;
represents a location in a GraphWin.

↳ (x, y), where x ⇒ horizontal pos, y ⇒ vertical pos

↳ (0, 0) is in the upper-left corner of the window

↳ x values increase left to right

y values increase top to bottom

↳ drawing a Point sets the color of the corresponding pixel
in GraphWin → ★ black is the default color for drawing

ex) P = Point(50, 60)

P.getX() ← outputs 50

P.getY() ← outputs 60

win = GraphWin()

P.draw(win)

P₂ = Point(140, 100)

P₂.draw(win)

2 points
drawn into
a window using
the draw
operation

Chapter 4.3 continued!

the graphics library contains commands for drawing

lines, circles, rectangles, ovals, polygons, and text

ex) `win = GraphWin('shapes')` ← changes the window title

[circle]

`center = Point(100, 100)`

`circ = Circle(center, 30)`

`circ.setFill('red')`

`circ.draw(win)`

[Textual label]

`label = Text(center, "Red circle")`

`label.draw(win)`

an optional parameter!

[square]

`rect = Rectangle(Point(30, 30), Point(70, 70))`

`rect.draw(win)`

[line]

`line = Line(Point(20, 30), Point(180, 165))`

`line.draw(win)`

[oval]

`oval = Oval(Point(20, 150), Point(180, 199))`

`oval.draw(win)`

Chapter 4.4: Using Graphical objects

Class: describes the properties the instance will have

↳ every object is an instance of some class

↳ class examples: `GraphWin`, `Point`, `Circle`, etc.

Instances: different instances can vary in specific details!

[constructor] used to create a new instance of a class

↳ a special operation ^{an expression} to create a brand new object

`<class-name> (<param1>, <param2>, ...)`

the name of the class we want to create a new instance of

parameters required to initialize the object.
and type of the parameters depends on the class

★ often (but not always), a constructor is used on the right side of an assignment statement — the resulting object is immediately assigned to the variable on the left (which is used to manipulate the object)

chapter 4.4 continued

the parameters (in the constructor) are stored as instance variables inside the object

To perform an operation on the object:

↳ methods: the messages sent to an object → functions living in the objects. invoked using dot notation

<object>. <method-name> (<param1>, <param2>, ...)

and type of parameters: determined by the method used

↳ can be parameterless

accessor methods: allows us to access info from ^{objects} instance variables

mutator methods: change the state of an object

(change the values of its instance variables)

★ Be careful of aliasing!

↳ when 2 different variables refer to exactly the same object; changes made through one variable reflects the other

↓
for graphics objects, to avoid this, use the clone method

of pixels = resolution of the screen → determined by the monitor + graphics card in the computer

If we don't need to refer to an object again, we

can simply create and draw the object immediately

ex) `Text(Point(20,230), 'Hello').draw(win)`

Can set coordinate system of graph window to be like cartesian plane:

`win.setCoords(0.0, 0.0, 3.0, 3.0)`

lower left

upper right

(3, 3)

↳



(0,0)

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Graphics: our first Python classes

graphics.py → library full of classes that will help us

↳ create graphics

↳ needs to be imported

• first step: create a graphics window where you can "draw"

• graphics are NOT displayed in the shell like textual output

• default graphics window: 200 × 200 pixels

alternative import statement:

from graphics import *

← the more you do this,
the slower the
program gets

DON'T do it for
the math library,
even though it
technically is still
possible

on the graphics window:

• the origin (0,0) is at the top left

• x values increase from left to right

• y values increase from top to bottom

• in a 200 × 200 pixels, the bottom right

corner is at (199, 199) ← because 0 index

Objects: (referring to myGUI() function from class)

p1 = Point(40, 80) constructor

myFirstWindow = GraphWin() looks like no instance

p2 = Point(30, 100)

constructor

instance variables

↳ more "unseen"

instance variables

like color of point too...

there we just
don't see it...
like the
default settings
that it knows
about itself

Methods:

p1.draw(myFirstWindow)

action
that the
object is
doing

p1 is being
drawn on myFirstWindow

] an example of
objects interacting
with each other

Class continued

Types of methods:

(Not all methods fit in these 2 categories)

[Accessors]

>>> p1 = Point(80, 40)

>>> p1.getX()

80

>>> p1.getY()

40

[Mutators]

>>> p1.move(10, 20)

>>> p1.getX()

90

>>> p1.getY()

50

Chapter 4.7: Interactive Graphics

event-driven programming: draws interface elements (widgets) on the screen, then waits for user to do something
event → an object that encapsulates data about what just happened
↳ then it is sent off to be processed elsewhere in the program

[getMouse method] of the GraphWin class

↳ waits/pauses for the user to click somewhere on graphics window

↳ returns where the user clicks as a Point ← class

↳ can be used just to pause the program until the user has a chance to enter a value in the an input box

[getKey method] of the GraphWin class

↳ waits for the user to type a key on the keyboard,

↳ returns the user inputted letter as a string

Entry object:

↳ draws a box on the screen

↳ can contain text

↳ setText, getText methods just like Text object

↳ can be edited by the user

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GUI event driven programming: a style of coding where the flow is dictated by user input in the graphics window

↳ Basic structure:

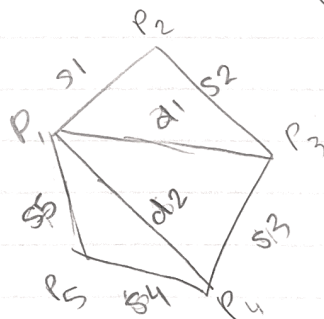
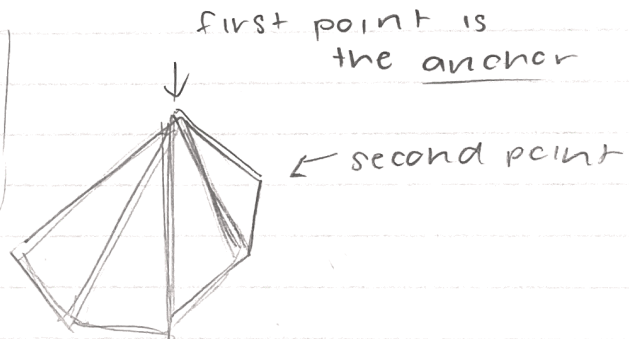
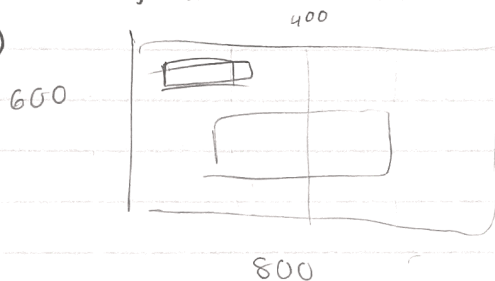
1. Draw interface element
2. Wait for user to input/interact → an event
3. Create an object that describes the event

Still debug through the shell, even for graphics stuff

NOTE: can break up long print statements → just press return ^{in the middle} and it will line up.

Lab: 04, graphics

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$$\Delta s1s2d1 + \Delta d1d2s3 + \Delta s4s5d2$$