

## NYU Tandon School of Engineering

CS-UY 1114 Fall 2022

# Homework 10

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*Due: 11:59pm, Thursday, December 8th, 2022*

## Submission instructions

1. You should submit your homework on [Gradescope](#).
2. For this assignment you should turn in 3 `.py` files named according to the following pattern: `hw10_q1.py`, `hw10_q2.py`, and `hw10_q3.py`.
3. Your Python file should contain a header comment block as follows:

```
"""
Author: [Your name here]
Assignment / Part: HW10 - Q1
Date due: 2022-12-08, 11:59pm
I pledge that I have completed this assignment without
collaborating with anyone else, in conformance with the
NYU School of Engineering Policies and Procedures on
Academic Misconduct.
"""
```

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***No late submissions will be accepted.***

***REMINDER:*** Do not use any Python structures that we have not learned in class.

The use of `eval()` and `break` are no longer permitted in this class.

For this specific assignment, you may use everything we have learned up to, **and including**, object-oriented programming. Please reach out to us if you're at all unsure about any instruction or whether a Python structure is or is not allowed.

Do **not** use, for example:

1. Modules we haven't covered.
  2. The `with` keyword to open files.
  3. Any modules that handle files non-natively (i.e. `csv`, `pandas`, etc.) Using them will result in a zero for that problem. Use `open`, `readline`, etc. instead—not only in this lab, but in the course in general.
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## Note On Importing Classes and Functions From Other `.py` Files

The problems in this assignment will require you to create two classes and to use them in a standalone function. In order to avoid having everything in a single file, we're going to split them up into three files. The way we

transfer structures from one file to another is by using the `import` keyword. Let's say we have file A and file B, and file B uses a class and a function from file A. The way we would set this up is as follows:

```
# file_a.py
class Something:
    pass
```

```
def some_function():
    pass
```

```
# file_b.py
from file_a import Something, some_function

something = Something()    # We can now create Something objects and call
some_function()            some_function()
some_function()            # as if they had been defined in file_b.py
```

If Python (read: IDLE) gives you trouble when doing this, check in with our CAs—they should be able get it fixed.

## Problems

1. **Tools Of The Trade (hw10\_q1.py)**
  1. **Creating Instrument Objects**
  2. **Printing Instrument Objects**
  3. **The `does_break()` Method**
2. **Artist Of The Year (hw10\_q2.py)**
  1. **Creating Musician Objects**
  2. **Printing Musician Objects**
  3. **The `pick_instrument()` Method**
3. **Battle of The Bands (hw10\_q3.py)**

### Problem 1: *Tools Of The Trade*

The whole point of this assignment is to simulate two musicians having a battle (think **\*\*Scott Pilgrim vs The World's bass battle**). To do this, we're going to create two classes, an **Instrument** class (i.e. their instrument of choice) and the **Musician** class (i.e. the musician using the instrument).

Let's start with **Instrument** class, since this one is simpler.

#### 1.1: **Creating Instrument Objects**

Start with the initializer method, which will accept three parameters from the user:

Attribute	Type	Comments
<code>model</code>	<code>str</code>	The model of our instrument.
<code>brand</code>	<code>str</code>	The brand of this instrument.

Attribute	Type	Comments
strength	float	It's "strength" value, represented by a float from 0.0 to 1.0.

**Table 1:** Attributes of the **Instrument** class. Please make sure the spelling of your attributes matches those given here. You can assume that the user will always enter a valid value for **strength**.

If you implement your initializer method correctly, your **Instrument** objects should behave as follows:

```
def main():
    fender_vi = Instrument("VI Bass", "Fender", 0.99)
    print(fender_vi.model)
    print(fender_vi.brand)
    print(fender_vi.strength)

main()
```

Output:

```
VI Bass
Fender
0.99
```

## 1.2: Printing **Instrument** Objects

Here, your goal is to simply make sure that the following behavior occurs when printing objects of the **Instrument** class:

```
fender_vi = Instrument("VI Bass", "Fender", 0.99)
four_double_o_one = Instrument("4001C64 Bass", "Rickenbacker", 0.856)

print(fender_vi)
print(four_double_o_one)
```

Output:

```
Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)
Rickenbacker 4001C64 Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)
```

Note that your output format must match the examples' exactly.

## 1.3: The **does\_break()** Method

This method will do the following:

- If a randomly-generated float value from 0.0 to 1.0 is **smaller** than **1/2** of the **strength** attribute of this **Instrument** object, **does\_break()** will return **True**, meaning the instrument has broken.
- Otherwise, return **False**, meaning the instrument has stood the test of time and not broken.

That is, the stronger a **Instrument** object is, the more likely it is to break.

Consider the following *possible* sample behavior:

```
def main():
    danelectro = Instrument("Stock '59", "Danelectro", 0.25)

    number_of_tests = 100
    number_of_breaks = 0

    # I'm testing does_break() 100 times and keeping track of how many times it
    # breaks
    for i in range(number_of_tests):
        if danelectro.does_break():
            number_of_breaks += 1

    percentage = (number_of_breaks / number_of_tests) * 100

    print(f"The {danelectro.model} broke {round(percentage)}% of the time in
    {number_of_tests} tests!")

main()
```

*Possible output:*

```
The Stock '59 broke 16% of the time in 100 tests!
```

Please make sure you understand and have gotten it to work perfectly before moving on to the next part, as we'll be making use of **Instrument** objects.

## Problem 2: Artist of The Year

Next up, we'll be creating our musicians. Since this class will exist in a different file than your **Instrument** class, we will need to import our **Instrument** class into our file. Simply add this line at the top of **hw10\_2.py** and you should be good to go:

```
from hw10_1 import Instrument
```

Once you do this, you will be able to create **Instrument** objects in file **hw10\_2.py**.

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Your new class will be called **Musician**, and will contain the following methods:

### 2.1: Creating **Musician** Objects

Similar to our **Instrument** class, define the initializer for our **Musician** class, which will create the following attributes:

Attribute	Type	Comments
<code>stage_name .</code>	<code>str</code>	The name of our musician.
<code>instruments .</code>	<code>list[Instrument]</code>	That is, a list of <b>Instrument</b> objects.
<code>number_of_instruments</code>	<code>int</code>	That is, the number of <b>Instrument</b> objects inside <code>instruments</code>

**Table 2:** Attributes of the **Musician** class.

Of these three attributes, the user will only pass in values for `stage_name` and `instruments`. Your initializer must create `number_of_instruments` using information from `instruments`.

If you implement your initializer correctly, your **Musician** objects should behave as follows:

```
# Creating our Instrument objects
danelectro = Instrument("Stock '59", "Danelectro", 0.25)
fender_vi = Instrument("VI Bass", "Fender", 0.99)
four_double_o_one = Instrument("4001C64 Bass", "Rickenbacker", 0.856)

gear = [danelectro, fender_vi, four_double_o_one]

# Creating our Musician object
sad_musician = Musician("Robert Smith", gear)

# Checking the Musician object's attributes
print(sad_musician.stage_name)
print(sad_musician.number_of_instruments)

for instrument in sad_musician.instruments:
    print(instrument)
```

Output:

```
Robert Smith
3
Danelectro Stock '59 (25.0 / 100 strength)
Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)
Rickenbacker 4001C64 Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)
```

## 2.2: Printing **Musician** Objects

Implement the **Musician** class such that you get the following behavior when printing objects of its class:

```
# Creating our Instrument objects
danelectro = Instrument("Stock '59", "Danelectro", 0.25)
```

```
fender_vi = Instrument("VI Bass", "Fender", 0.99)
four_double_o_one = Instrument("4001C64 Bass", "Rickenbacker", 0.856)

gear = [danelectro, fender_vi, four_double_o_one]

# Creating our Musician object
sad_musician = Musician("Robert Smith", gear)

print(sad_musician)
```

Output:

```
Musician object 'Robert Smith', owning a Danelectro Stock '59 (25.0 / 100
strength), Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength), and a Rickenbacker 4001C64
Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)
```

The output format must match *exactly* as the one above. Note that the number of instruments for any **Musician** object may be more, or less, than 3.

### 2.3: The *pick\_instrument()* Method

Define a method for the **Musician** class called `pick_instrument()` that:

- Accepts a single parameter, `instrument_index`, representing a location within the **Musician** object's `instruments` list.
- Returns the **Instrument** object at location `instrument_index`.
  - If the value of `instrument_index` is larger than the size of `instruments`, this method will return the last **Instrument** object in `instruments`.
  - `instrument_index` will have a *default value* of `None`. If the user chooses not to pass in a value for `instrument_index`, `pick_instrument()` will return a *random* **Instrument** object from `instruments`.
  - If `instruments` is an empty list, return `None`.

In other words, all of the following invocations of `pick_instrument()` must work and return either an **Instrument** object or `None`:

```
instrument = sad_musician.pick_instrument(2)
instrument = sad_musician.pick_instrument(100000000)
instrument = sad_musician.pick_instrument()
```

### Problem 3: *Battle of The Bands*

**Note:** This function must be written in the file `hw10_3.py`. In order to make use of the **Musician** class, you'll need to import it from your previous file as such:

```
from hw10_q2 import Musician
from hw10_q1 import Instrument
```

Write a *standalone function* called `get_name_of_battle_winner()`, which will do the following:

- Accept two parameters, both of which you can assume will always be `Musician` objects.
- The function will then pick a random `Instrument` object from each of the `Musician` objects in this duel. Be sure to check that each `Musician` object has at least one instrument. If either of them don't have any instruments, the other `Musician` automatically wins.
- If both players don't have any instruments, return the string `"NO CONTEST"`.
- Finally, `get_name_of_battle_winner()` will first check which `Instrument` object's `strength` attribute is larger. Let's say musician A's instrument is stronger than musician B's. If so, our program will call musician A's `Instrument` object's `does_break()` method. If it returns `True` (that is, if it breaks), Musician B wins in an upset. Otherwise, musician A wins. If musician B's instrument was stronger than musician A's, we do the same process, but instead calling musician B's `Instrument` object's `does_break()` method. If both `Instrument` objects happen to have the same `strength` value, the winner will be decided by a 50/50 random coin-toss.
- **Whichever `Musician` wins, return their `stage_name` attribute.**

**WARNING:** When picking `Instrument` objects from each `Musician` object in the duel, make sure not to remove it from that `Musician` object's `instruments` list. In other words, each `Musician` object's `instruments` list must never change once it is initialized.

If you successfully implement this method, you should see similar behavior to the following example. I added a few `print()` function calls in my `get_name_of_battle_winner()` method to better illustrate what is happening behind the scenes. Feel free to do this as well if it helps you, but it is **not** necessary. As long as the function returns the correct name, that is enough:

```
def main():
    danelectro = Instrument("Stock '59", "Danelectro", 0.25)
    fender_vi = Instrument("VI Bass", "Fender", 0.99)
    four_double_o_one = Instrument("4001C64 Bass", "Rickenbacker", 0.856)

    gear = [danelectro, fender_vi, four_double_o_one]

    # Let's say both musicians have access to the same gear
    sad_musician = Musician("Robert Smith", gear)
    less_sad_musician = Musician("Miki Berenyi", gear)

    # Testing the get_name_of_battle_winner method a few times
    number_of_duels = 10

    for duel_number in range(number_of_duels):
        winner_name = get_name_of_battle_winner(sad_musician,
        less_sad_musician)
        print(f"THE WINNER OF DUEL #{duel_number + 1} IS {winner_name}!",
        end="\n\n")

    main()
```

Possible output:

Robert Smith picked a Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)!  
Both musician's instruments are the same strength. The winner will be decided  
by the whim of chance.  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #1 IS Robert Smith!

Robert Smith picked a Danelectro Stock '59 (25.0 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Rickenbacker 4001C64 Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)!  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #2 IS Miki Berenyi!

Robert Smith picked a Danelectro Stock '59 (25.0 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Danelectro Stock '59 (25.0 / 100 strength)!  
Both musician's instruments are the same strength. The winner will be decided  
by the whim of chance.  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #3 IS Miki Berenyi!

Robert Smith picked a Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Rickenbacker 4001C64 Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)!  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #4 IS Robert Smith!

Robert Smith picked a Rickenbacker 4001C64 Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)!  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #5 IS Miki Berenyi!

Robert Smith picked a Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)!  
Both musician's instruments are the same strength. The winner will be decided  
by the whim of chance.  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #6 IS Miki Berenyi!

Robert Smith picked a Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Danelectro Stock '59 (25.0 / 100 strength)!  
Robert Smith's VI Bass broke!  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #7 IS Miki Berenyi!

Robert Smith picked a Rickenbacker 4001C64 Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Danelectro Stock '59 (25.0 / 100 strength)!  
Robert Smith's 4001C64 Bass broke!  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #8 IS Miki Berenyi!

Robert Smith picked a Rickenbacker 4001C64 Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Fender VI Bass (99.0 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi's VI Bass broke!  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #9 IS Robert Smith!

Robert Smith picked a Danelectro Stock '59 (25.0 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi picked a Rickenbacker 4001C64 Bass (85.6 / 100 strength)!  
Miki Berenyi's 4001C64 Bass broke!  
THE WINNER OF DUEL #10 IS Robert Smith!