

CS 515 Homework 7

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Homework 7: The Date Class
Due: 4/13/2022 at 11:59pm

Introduction

For this homework, you will be expanding on the Date class you started in lab. The file you will be submitting is called **hw7.py**, so I recommend copying over the code you already wrote as a starting point, though you will have to change some things.

As a recap, the Date class has three attributes:

- An attribute holding the month: `self.month`
- An attribute holding the day: `self.day`
- An attribute holding the year: `self.year`

The Date class should have an `__init__` method and a `__str__` method. As we've discussed in class, the double underscores before and after these method names indicate that these methods are special methods that Python knows to look for. In the case of `__init__`, this is the method that Python looks for when making a new Date object. In the case of `__str__`, this is the method that Python looks for when it needs to represent the object as a string.

Now, implement a few methods for the Date class from scratch. Be sure to add a docstring/method specification to each of the methods you write!

Please be sure to name your functions exactly as specified for TA grading.

DO NOT USE THE BUILT IN DATE CLASS FOR ANY OF THESE OPERATIONS!!!

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1 Question 1: Verify the constructor and string methods work (5 points)

Implement the `__init__(self, month, day, year)` method and `__str__(self)` method. For `__str__` method, it should construct and return a string with the month, day, and the year, formatted nicely to have exactly two digits places for the month and two digit places for the day. e.g.,

```
>>> d = Date(11, 4, 2021)
>>> str(d)
'11/04/2021'
```

2 Question 2: Create the equal operator (5 points)

`__init__` and `__str__` are not the only double underscore functions a class can overwrite. Do some research to find out how to make sure the `==` works for two dates. Two dates are equal if their month, day, and year are the same.

```
>>> d1 = Date(1, 1, 2000)
>>> d2 = Date(1, 1, 2000)
>>> d3 = Date(1, 1, 2001)
>>> d1 == d2
True
>>> d1 == d3
False
```

3 Question 3: Write a leap year function (10 points)

Add the method `isLeapYear(self)` to your `Date` class. The method should return `True` if the current object represents a leap year, return `False` otherwise. You may Google to check the definition of a leap year.

```
>>> d1 = Date(1,1,1900)
>>> d2 = Date(1,1,2020)
>>> d3 = Date(1,1,2000)
>>> d1.isLeapYear()
False
>>> d2.isLeapYear()
True
>>> d3.isLeapYear()
True
```

4 Question 4: Write a before function (10 points)

Add the method `isBefore(self, d2)` to your `Date` class. This method should return `True` if the calling object is a calendar date **before** the input named `d2` (which will always be an object of type `Date`). If `self` and `d2` represent the same day, this method should return `False`. Similarly, if `self` is after `d2`, this should return `False`.

```
>>> d1 = Date(1,1,2000)
>>> d2 = Date(1,1,2001)
>>> d1.isBefore(d2)
True
>>> d2.isBefore(d1)
False
>>> d1.isBefore(d1)
False
```

5 Question 5: Write a tomorrow function (10 points)

Add the method `tomorrow(self)` to your `Date` class. This method should **NOT RETURN ANYTHING!** Rather, it should **change** the calling object so that it represents one calendar day after the date it originally represented. This means that `self.day` will definitely change. What's more, `self.month` and `self.year` might change.

You may define the list `DIM = [31,28,31,30,31,30,31,31,30,31,30,31]` at the very top of your python file to help you determine how many days there are in any particular month (`self.month`).

```
>>> d = Date(12, 30, 2010)
>>> str(d)
12/30/2010
>>> d.tomorrow()
>>> str(d)
12/31/2010
>>> d = Date(2, 28, 2011)
>>> d.tomorrow()
>>> str(d)
03/01/2011
>>> d.tomorrow()
>>> str(d)
03/02/2011
```

6 Question 6: Write a day of the week function (20 points)

Write a function `dayOfWeek(self)` that gives the day of the week (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday...) of the calling object. This function should **NOT** use any other external classes. It must be done by your own calculation using math. You can Google to look for the algorithm.

```
>>> d = Date(11, 4, 2021)
>>> d.dayOfWeek()
'Thursday'
```

7 Question 7: Create a days apart function (20 points)

Write a function `daysApart(self, other)` that gives the absolute value of the amount of days apart between the calling object and `other`.

```
>>> d1 = Date(1, 1, 2021)
>>> d2 = Date(1, 10, 2021)
>>> d1.daysApart(d2)
9
>>> d2.daysApart(d1)
9
```

8 Question 8: Create a Sub-Class Quantum-Date (20 points)

A `QuantumDate` is a subclass of `date` with a few different properties from a normal `Date`. Please create a class `QuantumDate` in the same file and make it a subclass of `Date`. Use correct subclass design principles to make this subclass. A `QuantumDate` has the following differences from a normal `Date`. All other properties remain the same.

- When printed, it prints a randomly chosen month, day, and year.
- It is never a leap year, no matter what.
- There is no "tomorrow" of a `QuantumDate`, it is the same day as when it is created.
- It is always the day of the week after when it should be.
- `QuantumDate` has an additional method `randomize(self)` which shuffles the month, day, and year. The year must be within 10 years of the original year, the month and day have no restriction as long as they are valid.

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