



WEEK 1



Programming languages

- A language is a medium for communication
- Programming languages communicate computational instructions
- Translate high level language to low level language
- Java
- Binary language(0's and 1's)
- Compilers and Interpreters

Python code

```
x = 10  
y = 10  
print(x + y)
```

Translator

Machine code

```
00100010000  
01000100011  
11000100
```

Styles of programming

- Imperative vs declarative
- Imperative
 - **How** to compute
 - Step by step instructions on what is to be done
- Declarative
 - **What** the computation should produce
 - Often exploit inductive structure, express in terms of smaller computations
 - Typically avoid using intermediate variables
 - Combination of small transformations — functional programming

Imperative vs Declarative Programming, by example, ...

- Sum of squares of even numbers upto n

- Imperative (in Python)

```
def sumsquareeven(n):  
    mysum = 0  
    for x in range(n+1):  
        if x%2 == 0:  
            mysum = mysum + x*x  
    return(mysum)
```

- Can code functionally in an imperative language!
- Helps identify natural units of (reusable) code

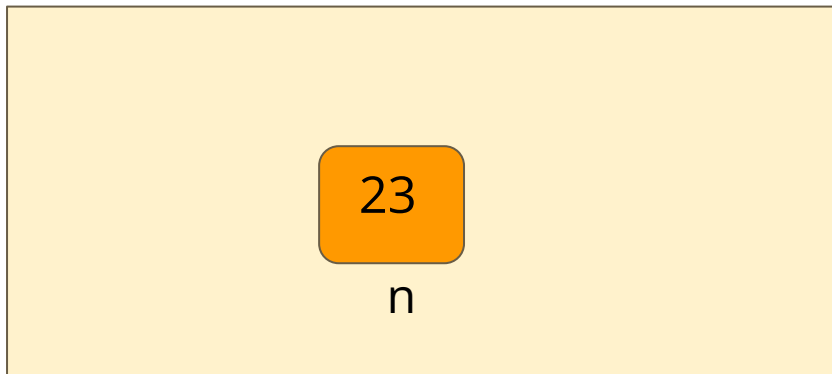
- Declarative (in Python)

```
def even(x):  
    return(x%2 == 0)  
  
def square(x):  
    return(x*x)  
  
def sumsquareeven(n):  
    return(  
        sum(map(square,  
                filter(even,  
                        range(n+1))))))
```

Names, values, types

- Variables

```
int n=23;
```



Dynamic vs static typing

- Every variable we use has a type
- How is the type of a variable determined?
- Python determines the type based on the current value
 - **Dynamic typing** — names derive type from current value
 - `x = 10` — `x` is of type `int`
 - `x = 7.5` — now `x` is of type `float`
 - An uninitialized name as no type
- **Static typing** — associate a type in advance with a name
 - Need to **declare** names and their types in advance value
 - `int x, float a, ...`
 - Cannot assign an incompatible value — `x = 7.5` is no longer legal

Collections, Abstract data types, Object oriented programming

- Collections like array, list etc..

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- Abstract data types
 - Stack ADT, Queue ADT etc
 - Structured collection with fixed interface
 - Stack is a sequence, but only allows push and pop
 - Separate implementation from interface

Memory management

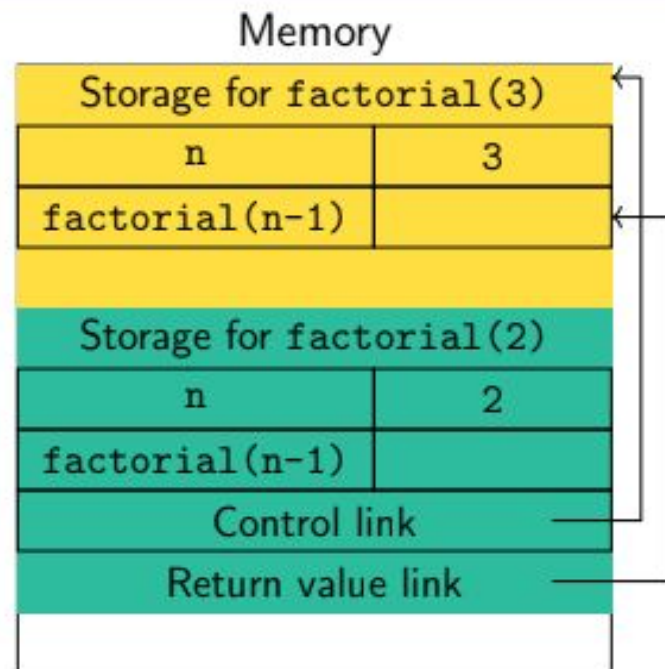
Memory

Stack

Heap

Memory stack

- Each function needs storage for local variables
- Create **activation** record when function is called
- Activation records are stacked
 - Popped when function exits
 - Control link points to start of previous record
 - Return value link tells where to store result
- **Scope** of a variable
 - Variable in activation record at top of stack
 - Access global variables by following control links
- **Lifetime** of a variable
 - Storage allocated is still on the stack



- Call `factorial(3)`
- `factorial(3)` calls `factorial(2)`

- Scope of variable

The part of the program in which the **variable** can be accessed.

- Lifetime of variable

It indicates how long the variable stays alive in the memory.

Passing arguments to functions

- When a function is called, arguments are substituted for formal parameters

```
def f(a,l):          x = 7          a = x
...                 myl = [8,9,10]  l = myl
...                 f(x,myl)        ... code for f() ...
```

- Parameters are part of the activation record of the function
 - Values are populated on function call
 - Like having implicit assignment statements at the start of the function
- Two ways to initialize the parameters
 - Call by **value** — copy the value
 - Updating the value inside the function has no **side-effect**
 - Call by **reference** — parameter points to same location as argument
 - Can have side-effects
 - Be careful: can update the contents, but cannot change the reference itself

Managing heap storage

- On the stack, variables are deallocated when a function exits
- How do we “return” unused storage on the heap?
 - After deleting a node in a linked list, deleted node *i* now **dead** storage, unreachable
- Manual memory management
 - Programmer explicitly requests and returns heap storage
 - `p = malloc(...)` and `free(p)` in C
 - Error-prone — memory leaks, invalid assignments
- Automatic garbage collection (Java, Python, ...)
 - Run-time environment checks and cleans up dead storage — e.g., **mark-and-sweep**
 - Mark all storage that is reachable from program variables
 - Return all unmarked memory cells to free space
 - Convenience for programmer vs performance penalty

Modularity

Stepwise refinement

- Begin with a high level description of the task
- Refine the task into subtasks
- Further elaborate each subtask
- Subtasks can be coded by different people
- **Program refinement** — focus on code, not much change in data structures

```
begin  
  print first thousand prime numbers  
end
```

```
begin  
  declare table p  
  fill table p with first thousand primes  
  print table p  
end
```

```
begin  
  integer array p[1:1000]  
  for k from 1 through 1000  
    make p[k] equal to the kth prime number  
  for k from 1 through 1000  
    print p[k]
```

Data refinement

- Banking application
 - Typical functions: `CreateAccount()`, `Deposit()/Withdraw()`, `PrintStatement()`
- How do we represent each account?
 - Only need the current balance
 - Overall, an array of balances
- Refine `PrintStatement()` to include `PrintTransactions()`
 - Now we need to record transactions for each account
 - Data representation also changes
 - Cascading impact on other functions that operate on accounts

Modular software development

- Use refinement to divide the solution into **components**
- Build a **prototype** of each component to validate design
- Components are described in terms of
 - **Interfaces** — what is visible to other components, typically function calls
 - **Specification** — behaviour of the component, as visible through interface
- Improve each component independently, preserving interface and specification
- Simplest example of a component: a function
 - **Interfaces** — function header, arguments and return type
 - **Specification** — intended input-output behaviour
- Main challenge: suitable language to write specifications
 - Balance abstraction and detail, should not be another programming language!
 - Cannot algorithmically check that specification is met (halting problem!)

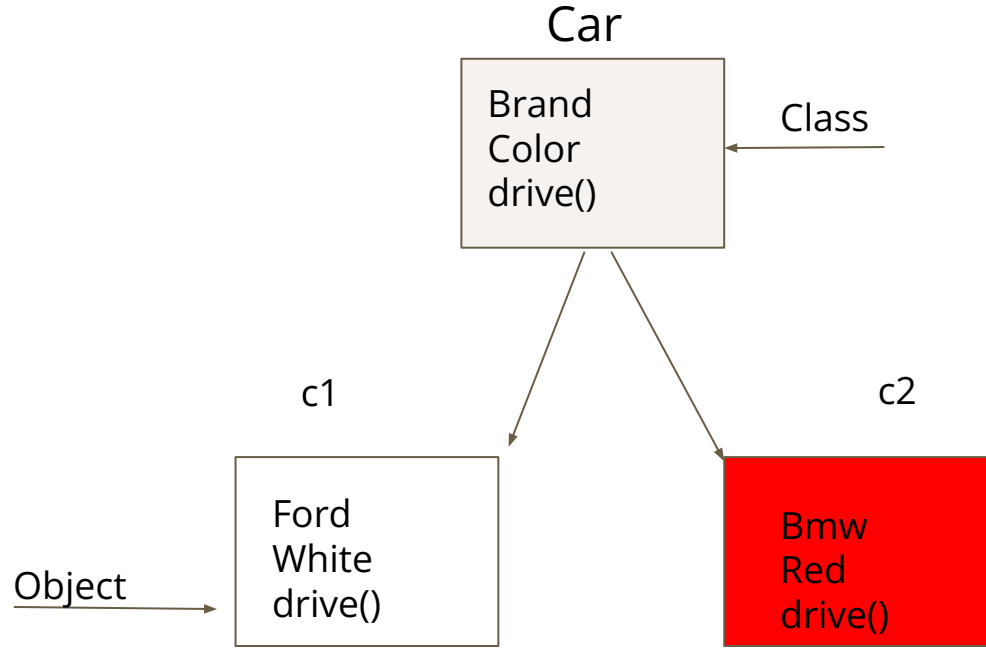
Object oriented programming

Programming with objects

- Object are like abstract datatypes
 - Hidden data with set of public operations
 - All interaction through operations — **messages, methods, member-functions, ...**
- **Class**
 - Template for a data type
 - How data is stored
 - How public functions manipulate data
- **Object**
 - Concrete instance of template
 - Each object maintains a separate copy of local data
 - Invoke methods on objects — send a message to the object

```
class Car:
    def __init__(self,brand,color):
        self.brand=brand
        self.color=color
    def drive(self):
        print('driving')

c1=Car('Ford','White')
print(c1.brand)
print(c1.color)
c2=Car('Bmw','Red')
print(c2.brand)
print(c2.color)
```



Objects

- An **object** is like an abstract datatype
 - Hidden data with set of public operations
 - All interaction through operations — **messages**, **methods**, **member-functions**, ...
- Uniform way of encapsulating different combinations of data and functionality
 - An object can hold single integer — e.g., a counter
 - An entire filesystem or database could be a single object
- Distinguishing features of object-oriented programming
 - Abstraction
 - Subtyping
 - Dynamic lookup
 - Inheritance

Programming language support for abstraction

- Control abstraction
 - Functions and procedures
 - **Encapsulate** a block of code, reuse in different contexts
- Data abstraction
 - Abstract data types (ADTs)
 - Set of values along with operations permitted on them
 - Internal representation should not be accessible
 - Interaction restricted to public interface
 - For example, when a stack is implemented as a list, we should not be able to observe or modify internal elements

Inheritance

- Re-use of implementations
- Example: different types of employees
 - **Employee** objects store basic personal data, date of joining
 - **Manager** objects can add functionality
 - Retain basic data of **Employee** objects
 - Additional fields and functions: date of promotion, seniority (in current role)
- Usually one hierarchy of types to capture both subtyping and inheritance
 - **A** can inherit from **B** iff **A** is a subtype of **B**
- Philosophically, however the two are different
 - Subtyping is a relationship of interfaces
 - Inheritance is a relationship of implementations

Subtyping

- A subtype is a specialization of a type
- If A is a subtype of B, wherever an object of type B is needed, an object of type A can be used.
- Every object of type A is also an object of type B
- Think subset — if $X \subseteq Y$, every $x \in X$ is also in Y
- If $f()$ is a method in B and A is a subtype of B, every object of A also supports $f()$.
- Implementation of $f()$ can be different in A.
- Dequeue is subtype of stack,queue

- Define `Square` to be a subtype of `Rectangle`

- Different constructor
- Same instance variables

- The following is legal

```
s = Square(5)
a = s.area()
p = s.perimeter()
```

- `Square` inherits definitions of `area()` and `perimeter()` from `Rectangle`

```
class Rectangle:
    def __init__(self,w=0,h=0):
        self.width = w
        self.height = h

    def area(self):
        return(self.width*self.height)

    def perimeter(self):
        return(2*(self.width+self.height))

class Square(Rectangle):
    def __init__(self,s=0):
        self.width = s
        self.height = s
```

- Can change the instance variable in `Square`

- `self.side`

- The following gives a run-time error

```
s = Square(5)
a = s.area()
p = s.perimeter()
```

- `Square` inherits definitions of `area()` and `perimeter()` from `Rectangle`
 - But `s.width` and `s.height` have not been defined!
 - Subtype is not forced to be an extension of the parent type

```
class Rectangle:
    def __init__(self,w=0,h=0):
        self.width = w
        self.height = h

    def area(self):
        return(self.width*self.height)

    def perimeter(self):
        return(2*(self.width+self.height))

class Square(Rectangle):
    def __init__(self,s=0):
        self.side = s
```

Subtyping vs inheritance

- A **deque** is a double-ended queue
 - Supports `insert-front()`, `delete-front()`, `insert-rear()` and `delete-rear()`
- We can implement a stack or a queue using a deque
 - Stack: use only `insert-front()`, `delete-front()`,
 - Queue: use only `insert-rear()`, `delete-front()`,
- **Stack** and **Queue** inherit from **Deque** — reuse implementation
- But **Stack** and **Queue** are not subtypes of **Deque**
 - If `v` of type **Deque** points an object of type **Stack**, cannot invoke `insert-rear()`, `delete-rear()`
 - Similarly, no `insert-front()`, `delete-rear()` in **Queue**
- Interfaces of **Stack** and **Queue** are not compatible with **Deque**
 - In fact, **Deque** is a subtype of both **Stack** and **Queue**

Dynamic lookup

- Whether a method can be invoked on an object is a static property — type-checking
- How the method acts is a dynamic property of how the object is implemented
 - In the simulation queue, all events support a `simulate` method
 - The action triggered by the method depends on the type of event
 - In a graphics application, different types of objects to be rendered
 - Invoke using the same operation, each object “knows” how to render itself
- Different from **overloading**
 - Operation `+` is addition for `int` and `float`
 - Internal implementation is different, but choice is determined by **static** type
- Dynamic lookup
 - A variable `v` of type `B` can refer to an object of subtype `A`
 - Static type of `v` is `B`, but method implementation depends on **run-time** type `A`