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Introduction to Programming

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Workshop: Concurrency & Parallelism

- IMADA Workshop
- Saturday, October 21, 12:00 – 15.30
- Preliminary programme:
 - central terms (process, thread, monitor etc.)
 - sequential vs concurrent programs
 - modelling concurrency
 - animation of models and model checking
 - Introduction to parallelism
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CLASSES & METHODS

Object-Oriented Features

- object-oriented programming in a nutshell:
 - programs consists of class definitions and functions
 - classes describe real or imagined objects
 - most functions and computations work on objects
- so far we have only used classes to store attributes
- i.e., functions were not linked to objects

- methods = functions defined inside a class definition
 - first argument is always the object the method belongs to
 - calling by using dot notation
 - Example: `"Slartibartfast".count("a")`

Printing Objects

- printing can be done by a normal function
- better done with a method
- Example:

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    """represents time of day using hours, minutes, seconds"""
```

```
    def print_time(time):
```

```
        t = (time.hours, time.minutes, time.seconds)
```

```
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```

```
end = Time()
```

```
end.hours = 12; end.minutes = 15; end.seconds = 37
```

```
Time.print_time(end)           # what really happens
```

```
end.print_time()               # how to write it!
```

Incrementing as a Method

- Example: add `increment` as a method

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    """represents time of day using hours, minutes, seconds"""
```

```
    def time_to_int(self):
```

```
        return self.seconds + 60 * (self.minutes + 60 * self.hours)
```

```
    def int_to_time(self, seconds):
```

```
        minutes, self.seconds = divmod(seconds, 60)
```

```
        self.hours, self.minutes = divmod(minutes, 60)
```

```
    def increment(self, seconds):
```

```
        return self.int_to_time(seconds + self.time_to_int())
```

Comparing with Methods

- Example: add `is_after` as a method

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    """represents time of day using hours, minutes, seconds"""
```

```
    def time_to_int(self):
```

```
        return self.seconds + 60 * (self.minutes + 60 * self.hours)
```

```
    def int_to_time(self, seconds):
```

```
        minutes, self.seconds = divmod(seconds, 60)
```

```
        self.hours, self.minutes = divmod(minutes, 60)
```

```
    def increment(self, seconds):
```

```
        return self.int_to_time(seconds + self.time_to_int())
```

```
    def is_after(self, other):
```

```
        return self.time_to_int() > other.time_to_int()
```

Initializing Objects

- special method `__init__(self, ...)` to create new objects
- usually first method written for any new class!
- Example: initialize `Time` objects using `__init__`

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    """represents time of day using hours, minutes, seconds"""
```

```
    def __init__(self, hours, minutes, seconds):
```

```
        self.hours = hours
```

```
        self.minutes = minutes
```

```
        self.seconds = seconds
```

```
start = Time(12, 23, 42)
```

```
start = Time()
```

```
start.hours = 12; start.minutes = 23; start.seconds = 42
```

String Representation of Objects

- special method `__str__(self)` to convert objects to strings
- Example: print `Time` objects using `__str__`

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    """represents time of day using hours, minutes, seconds"""
```

```
    def __init__(self, hours, minutes, seconds):
```

```
        self.hours = hours
```

```
        self.minutes = minutes
```

```
        self.seconds = seconds
```

```
    def __str__(self):
```

```
        t = (self.hours, self.minutes, self.seconds)
```

```
        return "%dh %dm %ds" % t
```

```
print(Time(7, 42, 23))
```

Representation of Objects

- special method `__repr__(self)` to represent objects
- Example: make `Time` objects more usable in lists

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    """represents time of day using hours, minutes, seconds"""
```

```
    def __str__(self):
```

```
        t = (self.hours, self.minutes, self.seconds)
```

```
        return "%dh %dm %ds" % t
```

```
    def __repr__(self):
```

```
        t = (self.hours, self.minutes, self.seconds)
```

```
        return "Time(%s, %s, %s)" % t
```

```
print([Time(7, 42, 23), Time(12, 23, 42)])
```

Representation of Objects

- special method `__repr__(self)` to represent objects
- Example: make `Time` objects more usable in lists

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    """represents time of day using hours, minutes, seconds"""
```

```
    def as_tuple(self):
```

```
        return (self.hours, self.minutes, self.seconds)
```

```
    def __str__(self):
```

```
        return "%dh %dm %ds" % self.as_tuple()
```

```
    def __repr__(self):
```

```
        return "Time(%s, %s, %s)" % self.as_tuple()
```

```
print([Time(7, 42, 23), Time(12, 23, 42)])
```

Overloading Operators

- special method `__add__(self, other)` to overload “+” operator
- likewise, you can use `__mul__(self, other)` etc.
- Example: add `Time` objects using `__add__`

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    """represents time of day using hours, minutes, seconds"""
```

```
    def __add__(self, other):
```

```
        seconds = self.time_to_int() + other.time_to_int()
```

```
        return self.int_to_time(seconds)
```

```
t1 = Time(2, 40, 19)
```

```
t2 = Time(10, 2, 23)
```

```
print(t1 + t2)
```

Type-Based Dispatch

- we want to add both Time objects and seconds
- use `isinstance(object, class)` to determine type of argument
- Example:

```
class Time(object):
```

```
    def __add__(self, other):
```

```
        if isinstance(other, Time): return self.add_time(other)
```

```
        else: return self.add_seconds(other)
```

```
    def add_time(self, other):
```

```
        seconds = self.time_to_int() + other.time_to_int()
```

```
        return self.int_to_time(seconds)
```

```
    def add_seconds(self, seconds):
```

```
        return self.int_to_time(seconds + self.time_to_int())
```

Polymorphism

- polymorphic = working on different argument types
- Examples:
 - `histogram(s)` can be used for lists & tuples of elements, that can be used as dictionary keys
 - `sum(t)` can be used for lists & tuples of elements, for which “+” works, i.e., also for `Time`
- to use e.g. `Time` as dictionary keys, implement `__hash__(self)`
- important that returned integer identical for identical objects

Debugging by Introspection

- hard to work with objects where attributes are added
- try to always use `__init__(self, ...)` to create attributes
- do not create attributes (or methods) from “outside”

- you can use `dir(object)` to get list of attributes and methods

- special attribute `__dict__` maps attributes to values
- Example: print all attributes and their values and types
for `var, value in time.__dict__.items()`:
`print("%s -> %s (%s)" % (var, value, type(value)))`

INHERITANCE

Card Objects

- **Goal:** represent cards as objects
- **Design:**
 - represent Spades, Hearts, Diamonds, Clubs by 3, 2, 1, 0
 - represent different cards by 1 ... 10 and 11, 12, 13
- Example:

```
class Card(object):  
    """represents a standard playing card"""  
    def __init__(self, suit = 2, rank = 12)    # Queen of Hearts  
        self.suit = suit  
        self.rank = rank  
queen_of_hearts = Card()  
ten_of_spades = Card(3, 10)
```

Class Attributes

- class attribute = same for each object of a given class
- class attributes are defined by assignments inside the class
- Example:

```
class Card(object):
```

```
    """represents a standard playing card"""
```

```
    def __init__(self, suit = 2, rank = 12):    # Queen of Hearts
```

```
        self.suit = suit
```

```
        self.rank = rank
```

```
    suits = ["Clubs", "Diamonds", "Hearts", "Spades"]
```

```
    ranks = [None, "Ace", "2", "3", "4", "5", "6", "7", "8", "9", "10",  
            "Jack", "Queen", "King"]
```

```
    card = Card(Card.suits.index("Diamonds"), Card.ranks.index("Ace"))
```

Comparing Cards

- special method `__cmp__(self, other)` for comparing values
- return value 0 for equality, > 0 for greater, < 0 for smaller
- used by built-in function `cmp(x, y)`
- Example:

```
class Card(object):
```

```
...
```

```
def __cmp__(self, other):
```

```
    if self.suit > other.suit:           return 1
```

```
    if self.suit < other.suit:           return -1
```

```
    if self.rank > other.rank:           return 1
```

```
    if self.rank < other.rank:           return -1
```

```
    return 0
```

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- return value 0 for equality, > 0 for greater, < 0 for smaller
- used by built-in function `cmp(x, y)`
- Example:

```
class Card(object):
```

```
    ...
```

```
    def __cmp__(self, other):
```

```
        return cmp((self.suit, self.rank), (other.suit, other.rank))
```

```
print(queen_of_hearts > ten_of_spades)    # False
```

Decks

- **Goal:** represent decks of cards
- **Design:** use a list of cards as attribute
- **Example:**

```
class Deck(object):
```

```
    """represents a deck as a list of cards"""
```

```
    def __init__(self):
```

```
        self.cards = []
```

```
        for suit in range(len(Card.suits)):
```

```
            for rank in range(1, len(Card.ranks)):
```

```
                card = Card(suit, rank)
```

```
                self.cards.append(card)
```

Printing Decks

- printing can be done using the `__str__(self)` method
- Example:

```
class Deck(object):
```

```
    """represents a deck as a list of cards"""
```

```
    ...
```

```
    def __str__(self):
```

```
        res = []
```

```
        for card in self.cards:
```

```
            res.append(str(card))
```

```
        return "\n".join(res)
```

Popping and Adding a Card

- removing and adding are basic operations
- both can be implemented using list methods
- Example:

```
class Deck(object):
```

```
    """represents a deck as a list of cards"""
```

```
    ...
```

```
    def pop_card(self):
```

```
        return self.cards.pop()
```

```
    def add_card(self, card):
```

```
        self.cards.append(card)
```

Shuffle a Deck

- likewise, functionality like shuffling can be implemented easily
- idea is to use `shuffle(list)` from `random` module
- Example:

```
import random
```

```
class Deck(object):
```

```
    """represents a deck as a list of cards"""
```

```
    ...
```

```
    def shuffle(self):
```

```
        random.shuffle(self.cards)
```

```
deck = Deck()
```

```
deck.shuffle()
```

```
print(deck)
```

Inheritance

- inheritance = define new class as modification of old class
- old class is called *parent*, new class is called *child*
- useful e.g. for representing a hand based on a deck
- Example:

```
class Hand(Deck):
```

```
    """represents a hand of playing cards"""
```

```
    def __init__(self, label = ""):
```

```
        self.cards = []
```

```
        self.label = label
```

- **Hand** inherits all methods (including `__init__`) from **Deck**
- **BUT:** we do not want all cards in a hand
- **Solution:** override `__init__` method

Move Cards from Deck to Hand

- cards can be moved using `pop_card` and `add_card`

- Example:

```
deck = Deck(); hand = Hand("my hand")
```

```
hand.add_card(deck.pop_card())
```

- tedious for giving a hand – better add a method to `Deck`

- Example:

```
class Deck(object):
```

```
    """represents a deck as a list of cards"""
```

```
    ...
```

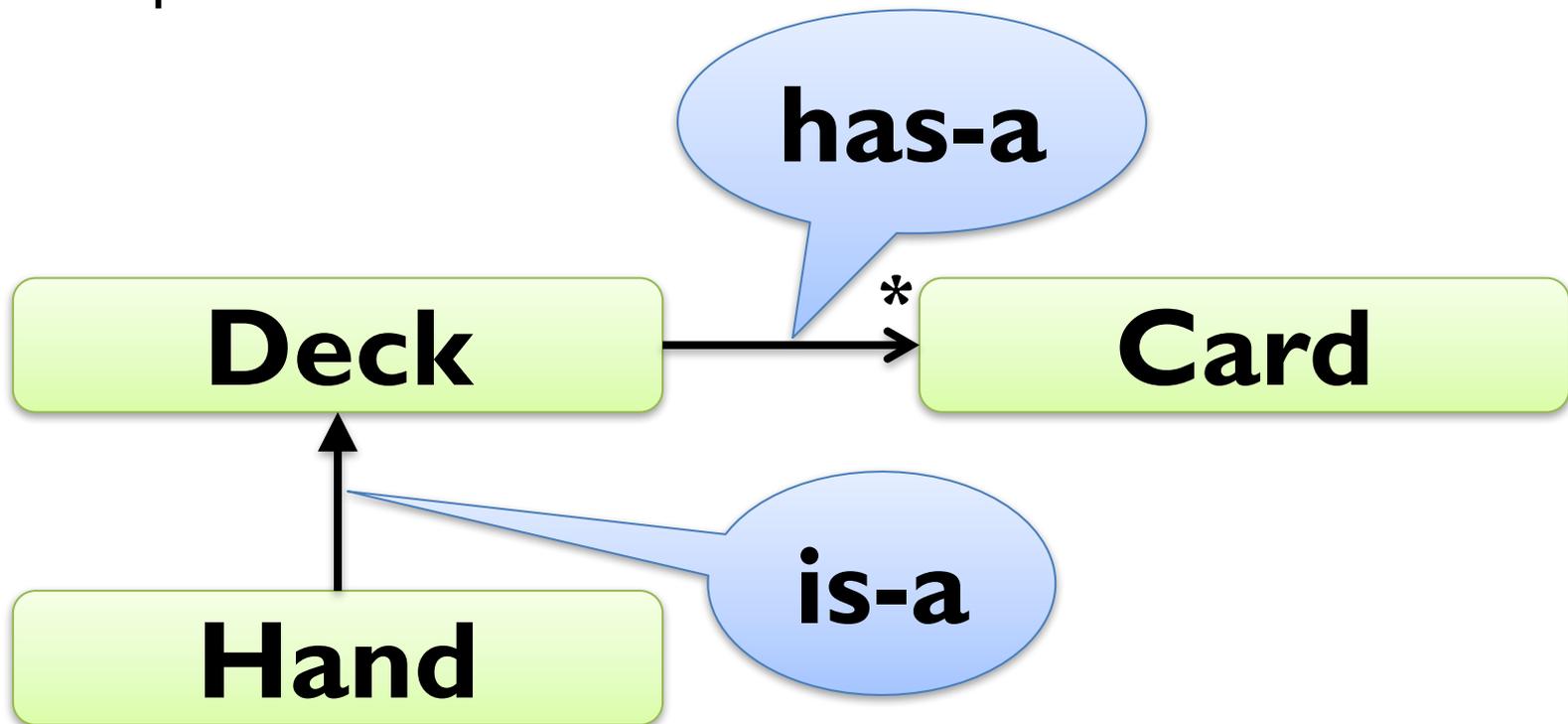
```
    def move_cards(self, hand, num):
```

```
        for i in range(num):
```

```
            hand.add_card(self.pop_card())
```

Class Diagrams

- class diagram = family tree and friends of classes
- in contrast to state diagrams, class diagrams are static
- Example:



Debugging and Inheritance

- harder to determine control flow when using inheritance
- add `print` statements to methods to see which is called
- alternatively, use the following method:

```
def find_defining_class(obj, meth_name):  
    for ty in type(obj).mro():  
        if meth_name in ty.__dict__:  
            return ty
```

- whenever you override a method, use the same contract
- same pre-conditions, same post-conditions, same argument list

The End

- we are finished with Python for this course
- you should understand and be able to use all concepts
- use some time to develop your Python skill
- list comprehensions, generators, libraries, ...
- scratch your itches with Python