

Objectives

- Lab 7 Artwork
- Defining our own classes
- Broader Issue: Risks of Electronic Voting

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Classes and Objects

- We're all of type *homo sapien*

- Attributes:

- Height
- Weight
- Hair color
- Hair type
- Skin color
- ...

We all have these attributes, different values for the attributes

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Classes and Objects

- `c1 = Card(14, "spades")`
- `c2 = Card(13, "hearts")`

Method calls

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Expose API (not data) to outsiders to use

Object **c1** of type **Card**
Hidden Data:
rank = 14
suit = "spades"

Object **c2** of type **Card**
Hidden Data:
rank = 13
suit = "hearts"

Instance variables, attributes, or fields

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Defining Methods for a Class

Constructor:

First parameter of every method is **self**

```
def __init__(self, rank, suit):  
    "Constructor for class Card takes int rank and string suit."  
    self.rank = rank  
    self.suit = suit
```

points to the object that method acts on (Similar to **this** keyword in Java)

```
def blackJackRank(self):  
    if self.rank == 14:  
        return 1  
    elif self.rank > 10:  
        return 10  
    else:  
        return self.rank
```

`card.blackJackRank()`

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Card API

- `Card(<rank>, <suit>)`
 - Constructor
 - Maps to the `__init__` method
- `getRank()`
- `getSuit()`
- `blackJackValue()`
- `rummyValue()`

Others use this API to access, manipulate the object.

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Special Methods & Their Meanings

- `__init__`
 - Constructor of an object of the class
 - Ex: calling `card=Card(14, "spades")` gets changed to `__init__(card, 14, "spades")`
- `__str__`
 - Returns a string
 - Used when object is used with **print**
 - Ex: calling `print card` gets changed to `print card.__str__()`
 - Same as calling `print str(card)`

self parameter

If `__str__` has been defined

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Creating a Deck Class (Partial Impl)

- List of Card objects

```
from card import *
from random import shuffle

class Deck:
    def __init__(self):
        self.cards = []
        for suit in ["clubs", "hearts", "diamonds", "spades"]:
            for rank in range(2, 15):
                self.cards.append(Card(rank, suit))
```

```
def __str__(self):
    result = ""
    for c in self.cards:
        result += c.__str__() + "\n"
    return result
```

Alternatively, could write as str(c)

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Deck API

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Deck API

- Deck()
- shuffle()
- getNumCardsLeft()
- drawCard()

Label the methods as **accessors** or **mutators**

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Animating a Group of Shapes

- Want to move a group of shapes the same
- Classes provide a nice way for us to group things together and manipulate them
- Create a GroupShapes class

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groupShift.py

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Creating a Counter Class

- Has a fixed range
- Starts at some low value, increments by 1, loops back around to low value if gets beyond some maximum value
- Example application of the counter: Caesar cipher for letters 'a' to 'z'

What is the API for this object/class?

Object of type Counter

- What are the *attributes* of an object in the class?
- What *data* should be used to *represent* an object in the class?

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Creating a Counter Class

- Data: Instance variables that represent
 - > High, Low, Current Value
 - Methods (API)
 - > Counter(low, high)
 - > increment([amount])
 - > decrement([amount])
 - > setValue(value)
 - > getValue()
 - > getLow()
 - > getHigh()
- Defaults to 1, -1

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Applying the Counter Class

- To the Caesar Cipher program
 - Any restrictions on keys?

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Discussing Caesar Cipher

- Any drawbacks from using Counter class?

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Risks of Electronic Voting

- Why assigned?
 - Awareness of some of the issues
 - Assumed electronic voting is better than paper ballots
 - CS effect on society, policy
- Hope you'll be knowledgeable when you read about these issues:
 - "Even / know that you should/shouldn't do X"
 - Help you shape future policies

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Risks of Electronic Voting

- What are the risks?
- For which of these risks would you (from just CS111) have been able to suggest a better solution?

Groups: Mod 3

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Risks

- Encryption
- Checking boundaries
- Hardcoding passwords
- Not designing with security in mind
- Proprietary code (transparency of system)

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