

Objectives

- Design Patterns
- Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming
- Introduction to APIs
- Broader Issue: Algorithms

Review

- How do we get input from a user?
 - Give example of getting input from a user, one where we want a string and one where we want a number
- What is the testing process? What is our goal in testing?
- Problem: Averaging two numbers
 - What are good test cases?
 - What is your algorithm?

Review: Getting Input From User

- **input** is a *function*

- **Function:** A command to do something

- A “subroutine”

- Syntax:

- **input**(<string_prompt>)

- Semantics:

- Display the prompt <string_prompt> in the terminal

- Read in the user’s input and *return* it as a string/text

Review: Getting Input From a User

- Save the result of calling input in a variable

➤ Ex:

```
color = input("What is your favorite color? " )
```

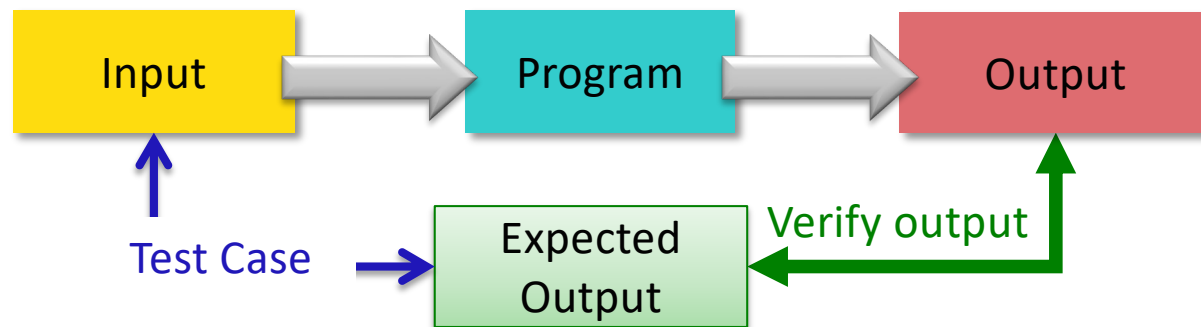
- If you want the assigned variable to be of type int or float, we need to convert the result of calling input

➤ Ex:

```
height = eval(input("Enter the height: " ))  
width = float(input("Enter the width: "))
```

Tradeoffs about which function to use to wrap the input.
For this class, either will be correct to use.

Review: Testing Process



- Test case:
 - Input used to test the program
 - Expected output given that input
- Verify if output is what you expected
- Goal: create *good* test cases that will reveal if there is a problem in your code

If output is not what you expect, debug!

Our Development Process

1. Determine algorithm

- a) Calculate average: add two numbers together, divide by 2
- b) Display average

2. Implement algorithm

- a) “Hard-code” two numbers
 - Later: get the two numbers as input from user
- b) Calculate average
- c) Print average


Suggested Approach to Development

- Input is going to become fairly routine.
- Wait to get user input until you have figured out the rest of the program/problem.
- Consider problem 1 in Lab 1
 - You “hard coded” the values of i and j
 - You can (and will) modify the program to get user input for those variables in Lab 2.

Formalizing Process of Developing Computational Solutions

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 - “When user enters these values, this should happen.”
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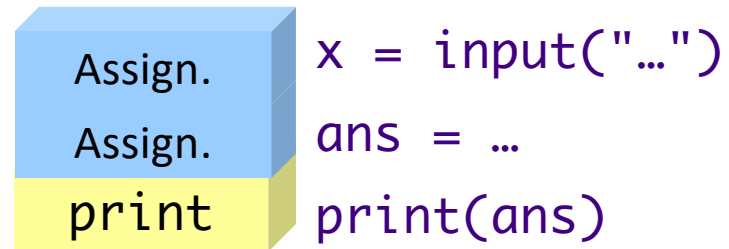
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- Example (Standard Algorithm)
 - Get input from user
 - Do some computation
 - Display output



Programming Paradigm: Imperative

- Most modern programming languages are **imperative**
- Have **data** (numbers and strings in variables)
- Perform **operations** on data using operations, such as + (addition and concatenation)
- Data and operations are separate
- Add to imperative: ***object-oriented programming***

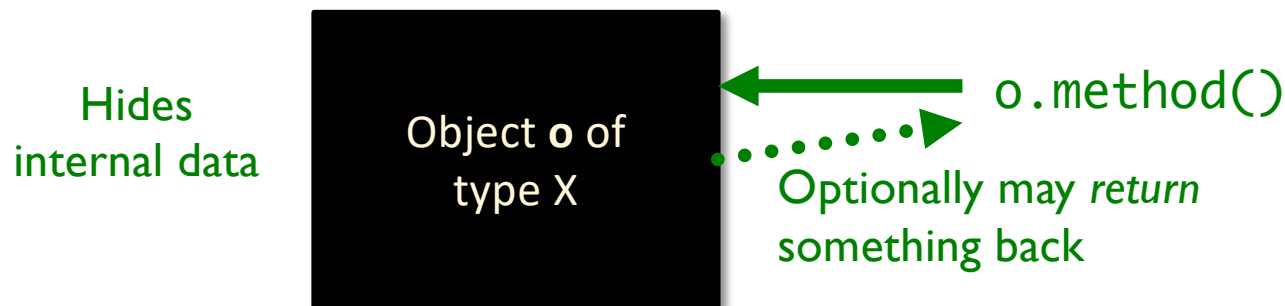
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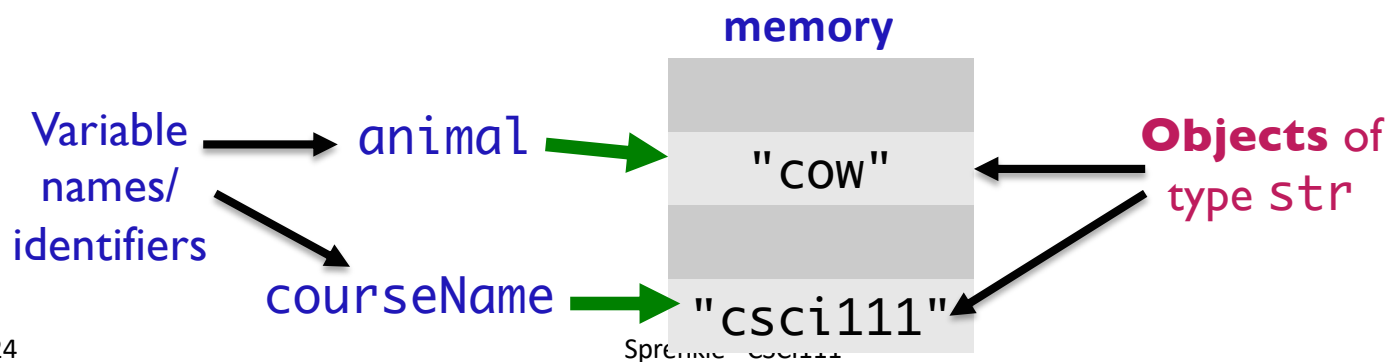
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Object-Oriented Programming

- We've been using objects--just didn't call them objects
- For example: **str** is a data type (or **class**)
 - We created **objects** of type (*class*) **string**
 - `animal = "cow"`
 - `courseName = "csci111"`



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- What can you do to a phone? Those are **methods**
 - Turn it on/off
 - Open applications
 - Make a phone call
 - Mute it
 - Update settings
 - ...
- You don't know **how** that operation is being done (i.e., implemented)
 - Just know **what it does** and that it **works**

} methods

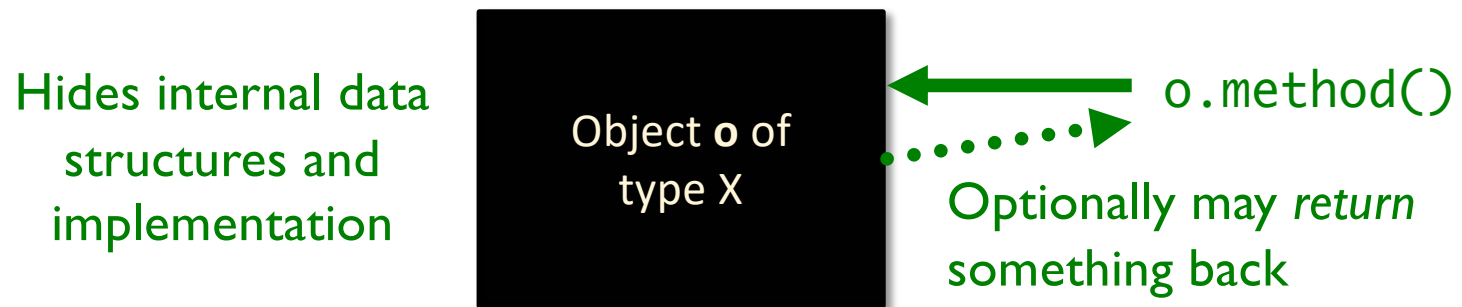
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- **Methods** you can call on your smart phone:
 - Turn it on/off
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 - ...
- **SmartPhone** is a **class**, a.k.a., a data **type**
 - My smart phone (identified by `myPhone`) is an object of type `SmartPhone`
 - Call the above methods on any object of type `SmartPhone`

Object-Oriented Programming

- Objects combine **data** *and* **methods** together

Provides **interface** (*methods*) that users interact with



Use an **Application Programming Interface (API)** to interact with a set of classes.

Class Libraries

- Python provides libraries of classes
 - Defines methods that you can call on objects from those classes
 - **str** class provides useful methods
 - More on that later
- Third-party libraries
 - Written by non-Python people
 - Can write programs using these libraries too

Using a Graphics Module/Library

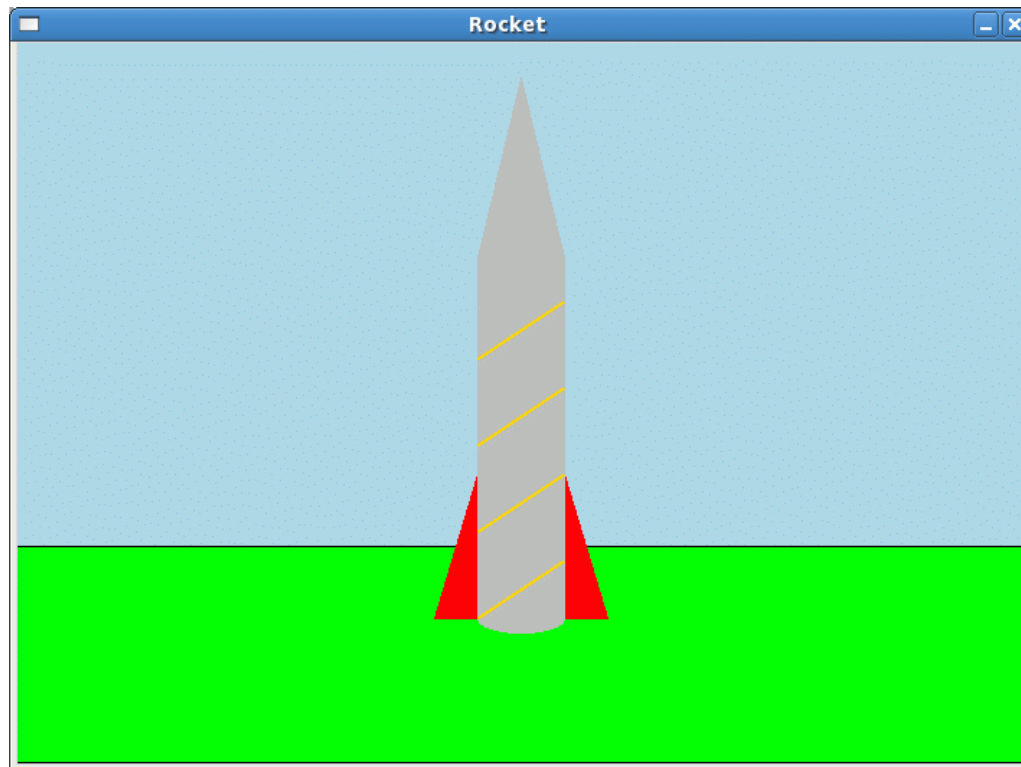
- Allows us to handle graphical input and output
 - Example output: Pictures
 - Example input: Mouse clicks
- Defines a collection of related graphics **classes**
- Not part of a standard Python distribution
- ➔ Need to *import* from `graphics.py`
- Use the library to help us learn object-oriented (**OO**) programming

USING A GRAPHICS MODULE

Using a Graphics Module/Library

- Handout describes how to use the various classes
 - **Constructor** is in bold
 - Creates an object of that type
 - For each class, lists *some* of their methods and parameters
 - Drawn objects have some common methods
 - Listed at end of handout
- Known as an **API**
 - **Application Programming Interface**

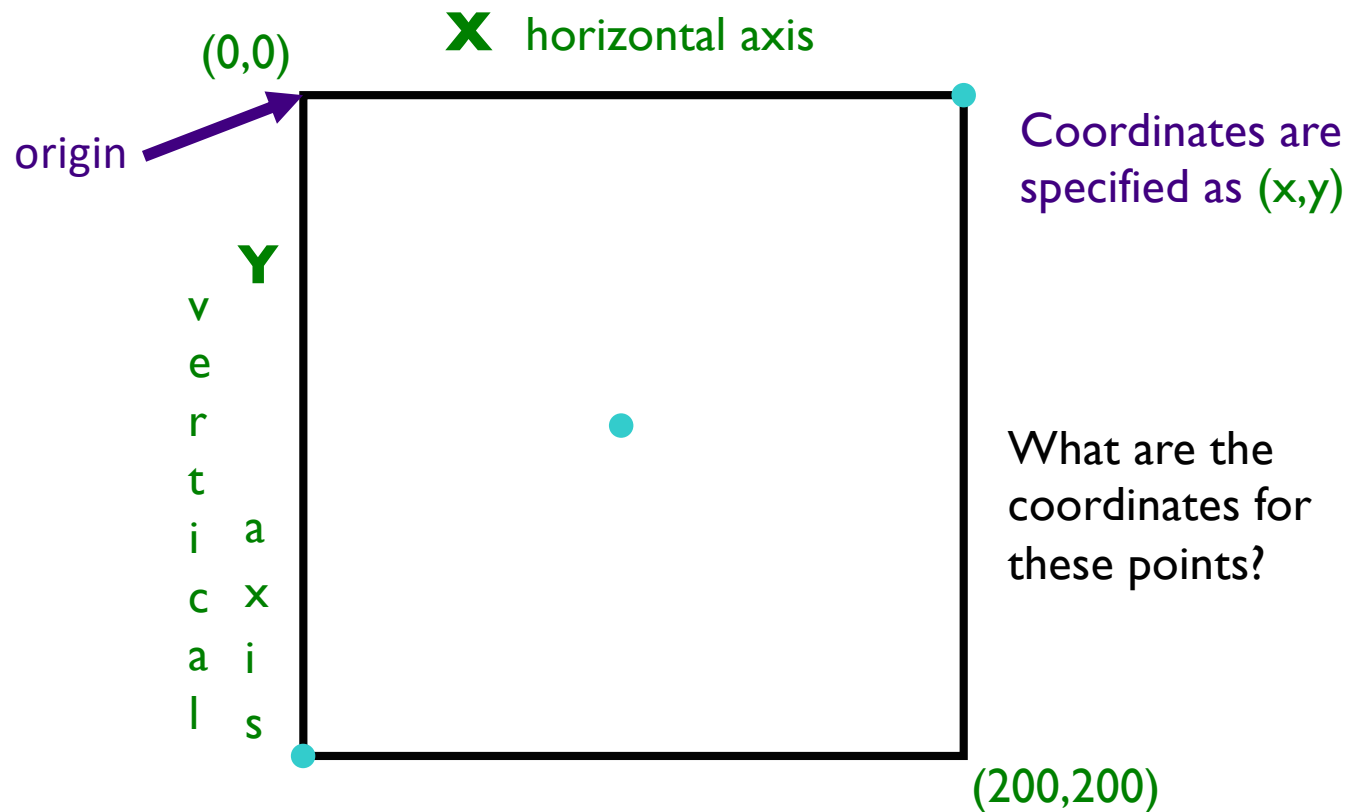
Example of Output



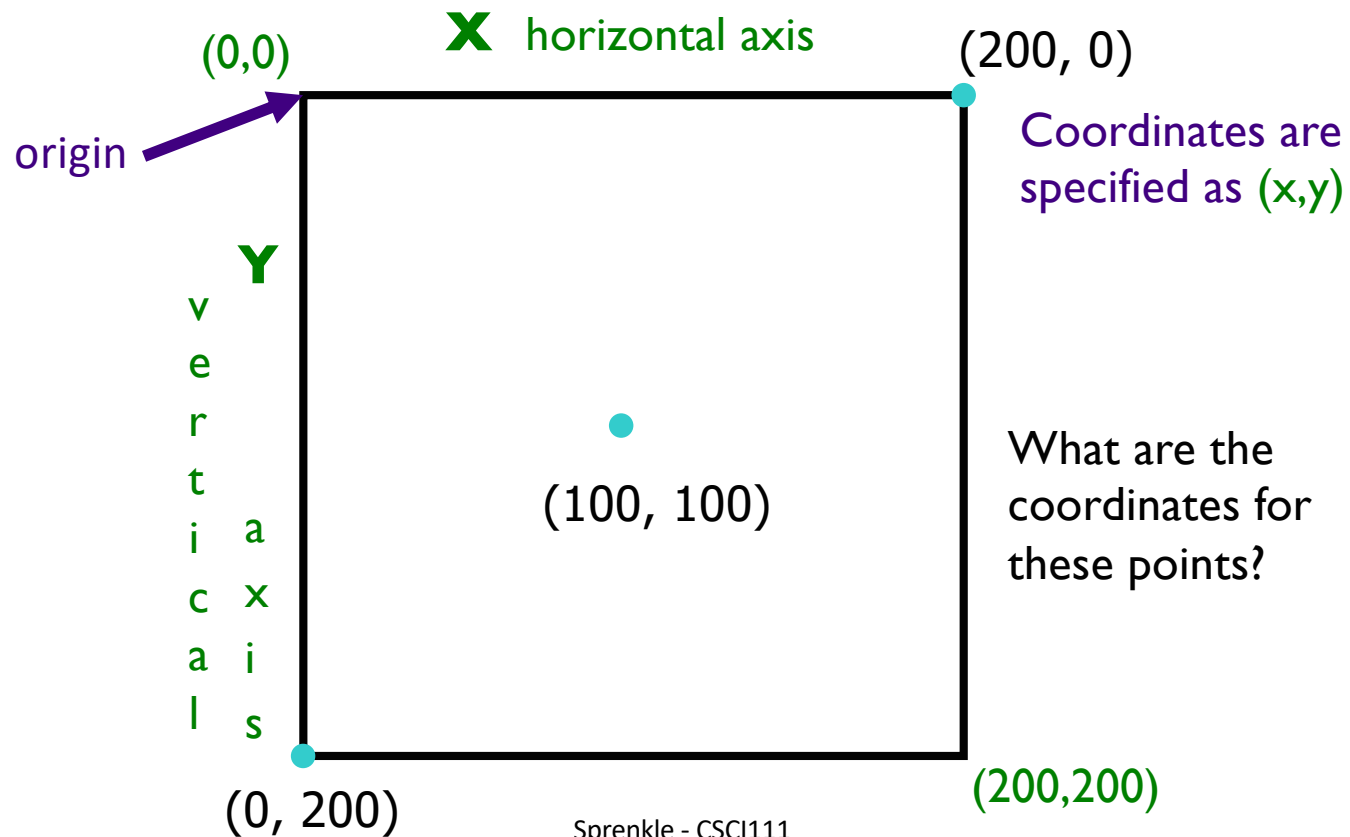
Using the Graphics Library

- In general, graphics are drawn on a *canvas*
 - A canvas is a 2-dimensional grid of pixels
- For our Graphics library, our canvas is a *window*
 - Specifically an **instance of** the `GraphWin` class
 - By default, a `GraphWin` object is 200x200 pixels

A GraphWin Object's Canvas



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Using the API: Constructors

- To create an object of a certain type/**class**, use the **constructor** for that type/class

➤ Syntax:

```
objName = ClassName([parameters])
```

➤ Semantics: create an object of type **ClassName** with the given parameters and save it in the variable **objName**

➤ **objname** is as an **instance** of the class *ClassName*

- Example: To create a **GraphWin** object that's identified by **window**

```
window = GraphWin("My Window", 200, 200)
```

The GraphWin API: Constructor

- All parameters to the **constructor** are optional
 - Marked by []
- Could call constructor as

Call	Meaning
GraphWin()	Title, width, height to defaults ("Graphics Window", 200, 200)
GraphWin(<title>)	Width, height to defaults
GraphWin(<title>, <width>)	Height to default
GraphWin(<title>, <width>, <height>)	

Using the API: **Methods**

- To call a **method** on an object,
 - Syntax: `objName.methodName([parameters])`
 - Semantics: call `methodName` with the given parameters on the object identified by the name `objName`
 - Similar to calling *functions*
- Method names typically begin with lowercase letter
- Example: To change the background color of a GraphWin object named `window`

Using the API: Accessor Methods

- A method sometimes **returns output**, which you may want to save in a variable
 - Class's API should say if method returns output
 - Good rule of thumb: if you call a method that returns something, save it in a variable.
 - Referred to as an **accessor method**
- Example: if you want to know the *width* of a GraphWin object named window

```
width = window.getWidth()
```


The GraphWin API: Accessor Methods

Accessor methods for GraphWin

- Return some information about the GraphWin

Example methods:

- `<GraphWinObj>.getWidth()`
- `<GraphWinObj>.getHeight()`

The GraphWin API: Mutator Methods

- **Mutator** methods: methods that change or *mutate* an object/its state but don't return anything
- Example: `<GraphWinObj>.setBackground(<color>)`
 - Colors are strings, such as "red" or "purple" (more later...)

```
win = GraphWin()  
win.setBackground("purple")
```

- Changes **win**'s state but does *not return* anything
 - Don't save method call in a variable

Summary: General Categories of Methods

Accessor

- Returns information about the object
- Example use – save method call's output in a variable:
`windowWidth = win.getWidth()`

Mutator

- Changes the state of the object
 - i.e., changes something about the object
- Example use:
`win.setBackground("blue")`

Python Naming Conventions

- Object names begin with a lowercase letter
- Class names typically begin with a *capital* letter
- Method names begin with a lowercase letter

What Does This Code Do?

1. Identify examples of the OO terminology in this code:
class, objects, methods, constructors
2. Describe the output from this code

```
from graphics import *  
  
win = GraphWin("My Circle", 200, 200)  
point = Point(100,100)  
c = Circle(point, 10)  
c.draw(win)  
win.getMouse()
```

What Does This Code Do?

Need to import the code from graphics.py into our program

GraphWin
object
Also known as an
instance of the
GraphWin **class**

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Method called on GraphWin object

Typical OOP Programming Process:

1. Create an instance of a class
2. Call methods on that object

Looking Ahead

- Continue reading in the interactive textbook
- Pre Lab 2 due Tuesday before lab
 - You're going to make "something significant" using the graphics library