

# ***Please sit with your choice of a NEW robot partner***

- Can be same old partner if you wish, but I suggest someone new so that you get to know more classmates
- Get a robot. If you need a new locker combination, just ask.

Check out today's projects from SVN:

***Session08a-Files***

***Session08b-ObjectsAndGraphics***

## FILES, OBJECTS AND GRAPHICS

# Outline

## □ Files

- ▣ Review, with examples, of file *open/close* and *reading/writing*
- ▣ Practice: *goRobotGo* and *wordCount* modules from *Session08a-Files*

## □ Two models of software design:

- ▣ Procedural model
- ▣ Object-oriented model
  - What is an object?

## □ Graphics

- ▣ Creating and using objects
- ▣ Interactive graphics
- ▣ Coordinate systems

## □ Practice Objects and Graphics

- ▣ *alienFace*, *clickMe* and *plotPoints* modules from *Session08b-ObjectsAndGraphics*

# File Processing – Manipulating data stored on disk

## □ *Open* file

- For reading or writing
- Associates file on disk with a *file variable* in program
- Examples:

```
inFile = open("blah", 'r')  
outFile = open("foo", 'w')
```

**Overwrites** (!) the file if it exists, creates it if it doesn't.

## □ *Manipulate* file with operations on the file variable

- *Read* or *write* information

See next slide for details

## □ *Close* file

- Causes final “bookkeeping” to happen
- Example: `inFile.close()`

Note: disks are slow, so writes to the file are often kept in a **buffer** in memory until we close the file or otherwise “flush” the buffer.

# Simplest example of writing to a file

```
□ def writeDataSimply(outputFilename, maxToWrite):  
    ''' Writes 1 .. maxToWrite to the file with the given name.  
        Puts a space after each number.'''
```

```
    outputFile = open(outputFilename, 'w')
```

Open the file for writing

```
    for k in range(1, maxToWrite + 1):  
        outputFile.write(str(k) + " ")
```

The *write* method takes a *string*.

```
    outputFile.close()
```

Close the file when writing is finished

Questions about how to *write* to a file?

# Simplest example of reading numbers from a file

```
□ def readDataSimply(inputFilename):  
    ''' Reads the data in a file, which should be numbers separated  
    by spaces and/or newlines. Returns the sum of the numbers. '''
```

```
    inputFile = open(inputFilename, 'r')
```

Open the file for reading

```
    total = 0
```

```
    for line in inputFile:
```

Each *line* in the file variable  
(here called *input*) is a *string*.  
This loop goes through the file line by line.

```
        numbers = line.split()
```

*Split* the string at spaces, to  
get a *list* of strings.  
Assumes data is separated by spaces.

```
        for number in numbers:
```

```
            total = total + eval(number)
```

For each *string* in the list, evaluate it.  
That converts it to a number.  
Assumes that all the data items are numbers.

```
    inputFile.close()
```

```
    return total
```

Close the file when  
reading is finished

Questions about how to *read* from a file?  
There are other ways to read, but this pattern will do for now.

# Practice at reading from a file

- Check your answers to Quiz problems 4 and 5 by comparing them to the:
    - ▣ *writeListToFile* and
    - ▣ *readDataIntoList*
- functions in the *fileReadingAndWritingExample* module of the *Session08a-Files* project that you checked out today

# Robots – more practice at reading from a file

- Do the TODO's in the `goRobotGo` module from the *Session08a-Files* project that you checked out today.
  - ▣ First, with your instructor, review the TODO's in that file; they specify what you are to accomplish
  - ▣ Then, working with your robot partner:
    - One of you: implement the robot *turn* and *move* functions, as specified in the module. First review the description in the [PyCreate documentation](#) of the *go* and *stop* functions; they are what you will need, with a *sleep* for the right amount of time (which you'll have to calculate) in between.
    - The other: implement the file-handling and the calls to *turn* and *move*, as specified by the TODO's in the module
      - Use what you just learned in quiz Question 5 about reading numbers from a file.
      - To get 4 numbers from a line in the file, note how you solved a similar problem in quiz Question 6.
    - Whoever finishes first, help the other. Combine your work by emailing it to each other or whatever. Be sure that you list BOTH authors at the top of the file.
  - ▣ If you finish the `goRobotGo` problem, begin the rest of Homework 8.

# Procedural versus object-oriented

- In the **procedural model**, a program
  - ▣ is seen as a list of tasks (subroutines, functions) to perform
  - ▣ with each task itself broken down into subtasks, and so forth.
    - We call this **procedural decomposition**.
- Many (most?) modern computer programs are built using an **object-oriented (OO) model**, in which:
  - ▣ A program is viewed as a collection of **interacting objects**
  - ▣ See next slide for definition of **object**.

Both models are valuable. In this course, you will learn:

- how to apply the procedural model and
- how to use objects  
(with how to *design* objects left to CSSE 220).

There are other programming paradigms in addition to the two listed here, e.g. *functional programming* and *logic programming*.



# What are objects?

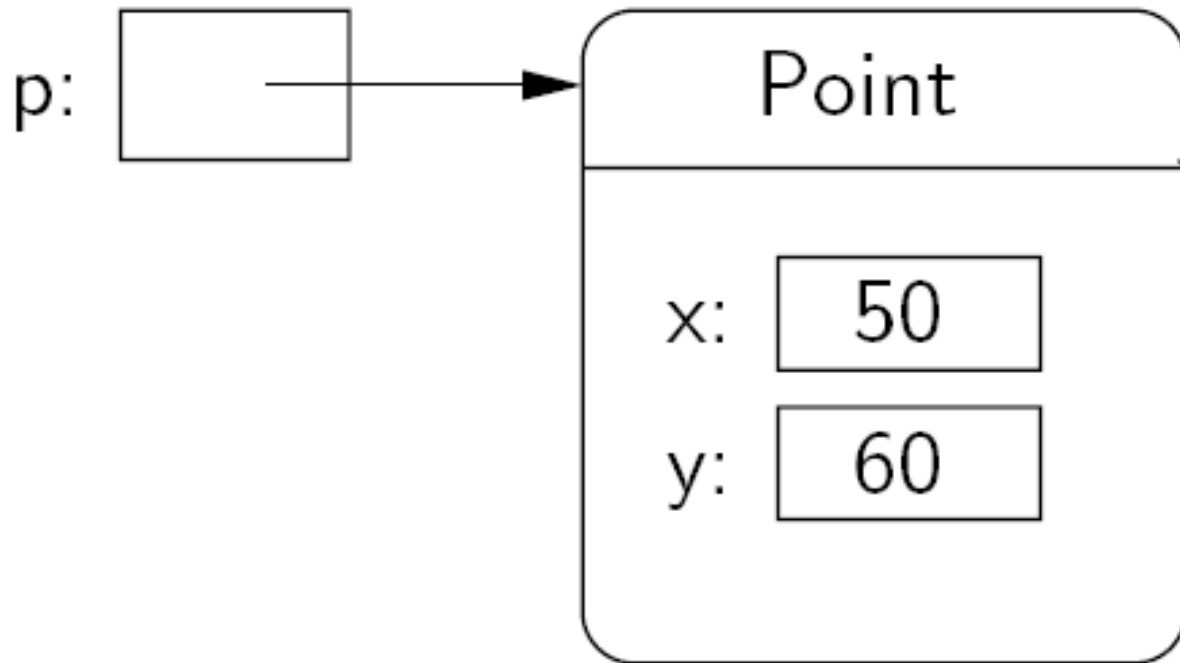
- Data types for numbers and Boolean are *passive*
  - ▣ Each is a single piece of data. E.g. *108* or *False*.
  - ▣ Each is passive. You can do things to a number (like adding them), but numbers can't do things of themselves.
- An **object** is an *active* data type
  - ▣ **Knows stuff.** And thus can be an aggregate of stuff.
  - ▣ **Can do stuff.** And thus is active.
- Example of an object: the **body** is an object that has a brain, lung, hands that have fingers, ...
  - ▣ And the body can ask its heart to beat, its finger to point, etc.

# How do objects interact?

- Objects interact by sending each other **messages**
  - ▣ Message: request for object to perform one of its operations
  - ▣ Example: the brain can ask the feet to walk
  - ▣ In Python, messages happen via **method calls**.
- `>>> win = GraphWin()`      `# constructor`
- `>>> p = Point(50, 60)`      `# constructor`
- `>>> p.getX()`      `# accessor method`
- `>>> p.getY()`      `# accessor method`
- `>>> p.draw(win)`      `# method`

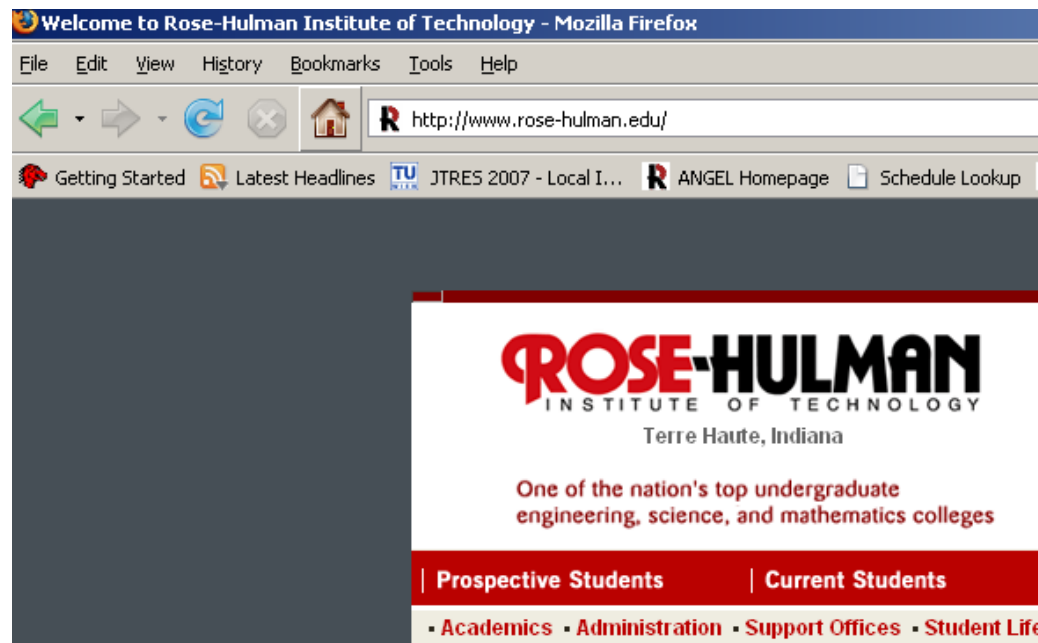
# How do objects interact? Point

```
p = Point(50, 60)
```



# Simple graphics programming

- Graphics is fun and provides a great vehicle for learning about objects
- Computer Graphics: study of graphics programming
- Graphical User Interface (GUI)



# You choose how to import

- Must import the graphics library before accessing it

```
import zellegraphics
```

```
win = zellegraphics.GraphWin()
```

- Another way to import the graphics library

```
from zellegraphics import *
```

```
win = GraphWin()
```

# Using graphical objects

- Using different types of objects from the graphics library, draw the following **alien face** and message

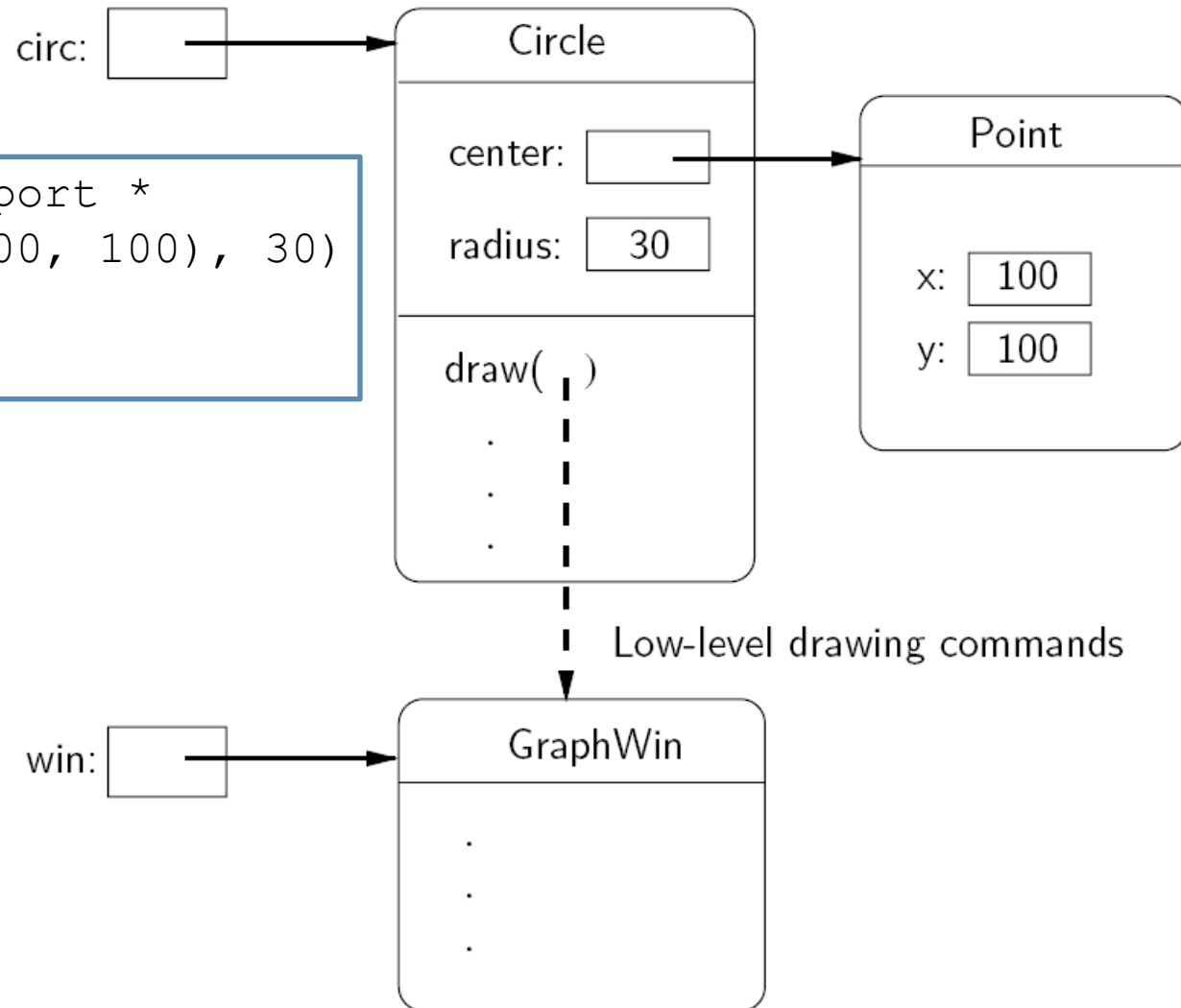


# Class and object terminology

- Different types of objects
  - ▣ Point, Line, Rectangle, Oval, Text
  - ▣ These are examples of *classes*
- Different objects
  - ▣ head, leftEye, rightEye, mouth, message
  - ▣ Each is an *instance* of a class
  - ▣ Created using a *constructor*
  - ▣ Objects have *instance variables*
  - ▣ Objects use *methods* to operate on instance variables

# Object interaction to draw a circle

```
from zellegraphics import *  
circ = Circle(Point(100, 100), 30)  
win = GraphWin()  
circ.draw(win)
```





# Interactive graphics

- *GUI*—Graphical User Interface
  - ▣ Accepts input
    - Keyboard, mouse clicks, menu, text box
  - ▣ Displays output
    - In graphical format
    - On-the-fly
- Developed using *Event-Driven Programming*
  - ▣ Program draws interface elements (*widgets*) and waits
  - ▣ Program responds when user does something

# getMouse

- `win.getMouse()`
  - ▣ Causes the program to pause, waiting for the user to click with the mouse somewhere in the window
  - ▣ To find out where it was clicked, assign it to a variable:
    - `p = win.getMouse()`

# Mouse Event Exercise

Together, let's solve the following problem:

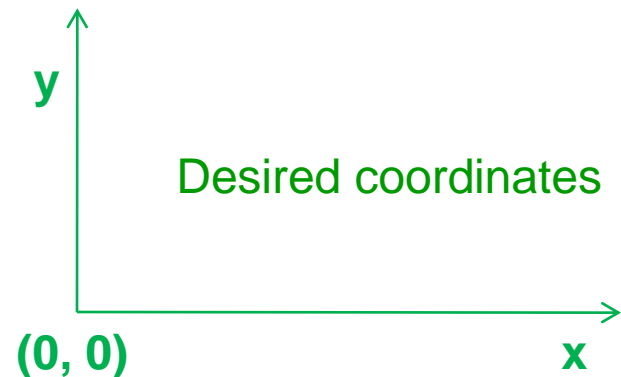
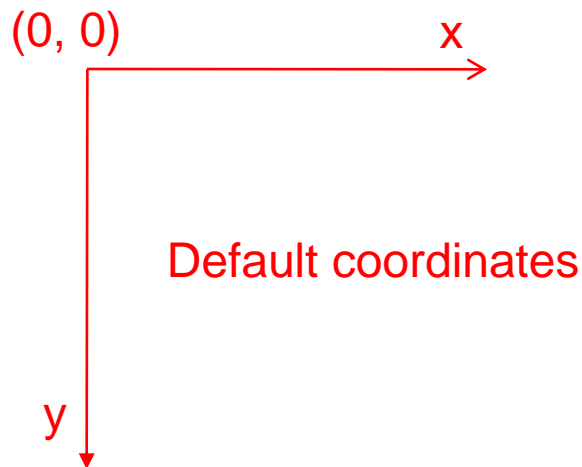
Create a program, `clickMe.py`, with a window labeled “Click Me!” that displays the message *You clicked (x, y)* the first 5 times the user clicks in the window.

The program also draws a red-filled circle, with blue outline, in the location of each of these first 5 clicks.

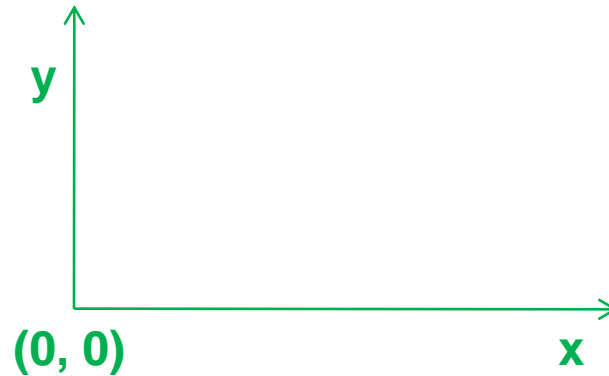
The program closes the window on the 6<sup>th</sup> click

# Coordinate systems

- An important use of graphics is to represent **data** visually
  - ▣ Example: a bar chart
- We really want  $(0,0)$  to be in the lower-left corner



# Desired coordinate system



- `win.setCoords(x1, y1, x2, y2)` **method from GraphWin class**
  - ▣ Sets the coordinates of the window to run from  $(x1, y1)$  in the lower-left corner to  $(x2, y2)$  in the upper-right corner.