CSI 33 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

Topic 2: Classes in Python and C++

OUTLINE

(References: Ch. 9)

1. Python Classes versus C++ Classes

1. Python Class Examples

Classes and child classes to write in Python.

- (a) Die and Bag-Of-Dice. Test craps?
- (b) Card (for playing games) and Deck of cards. Compute Blackjack scores? In Groups ...
- (c) Polygon and child classes: Rectangle and Triangle, with square as child of Rectangle.
- (d) Person and child classes: Student, Professor, and FictionalPerson, with BCC-Student as child of Student and Wizard as child of FictionalPerson.

2. C++ Classes

Do some in C++.

- (a) Now make private and public.
- (b) Make inheritance public.

3. Python versus C++ Classes

- (a) Usual Differences still apply:
 - i. Bodies: Python Indentation versus C++ Braces.
 - ii. Static versus dynamic typing
- (b) Python: Everything public
- (c) C++: Options of public, protected, and private
- (d) Python: "self" parameter; C++: not
- (e) Contructor/initializer:
 - i. Python: "init".
 - ii. C++: method with same name as class
- (f) Passing an object to a function:

PROBLEM 1. In both Python and C++ try passing an object, and changing the values to see if it persists after the function call. Try this in two ways in C++ (usual and by reference).

(g) Operator Overloading: Basically just different syntax

PROBLEM 2. Overload equivalence checking so that two characters are equal if they have the same alignment and their hit points are within one of eachother.

In Python: __eq__ (with self and other argument)

In C++: operator== (with one argument)