Review 1

Call Frames; Diagramming Objects

The Big Issue

- Cannot answer questions on this topic unless you
  - draw variables
  - draw frames for function calls
  - draw objects when they are created

- Learning to do this is useful in general
  - Helps you “think like a computer”
  - Easier to find errors in your programs.

What Do You Need to Know?

- Major topics
  - ***local variables (in a function body)***
  - ***function call (call frames, call stack)***
  - ***constructor call (in addition to call frames)***

- Examples from previous exams
  - Question 5 on prelim 1
  - Question 5 on prelim 2

Important

- Code execution is an important part of the final
- You need to know how to
  - draw variables
  - draw call frames
  - draw objects

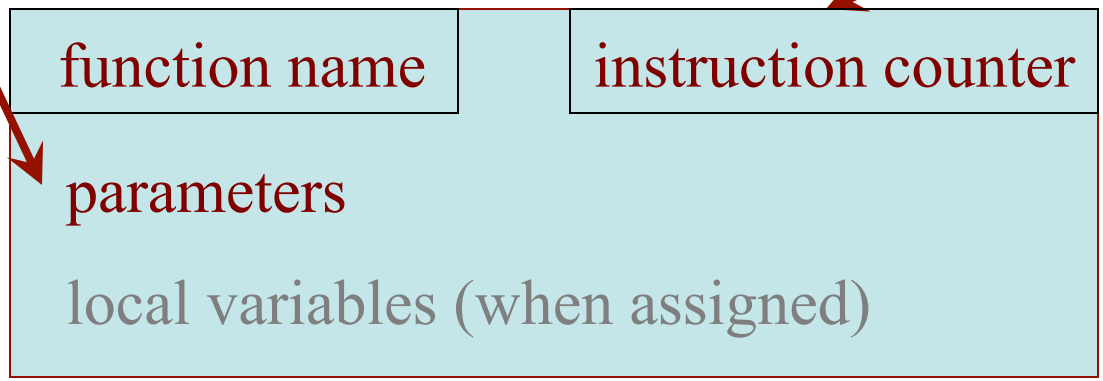
The purpose of such questions on executing statements with constructs and function calls is to test your understanding of how Python programs are executed

The Frame (box) for a Function Call

- **Function Frame**: Representation of function call
- A **conceptual model** of Python

Draw parameters as variables (named boxes)

- Number of statement in the function body to execute **next**
- **Starts with 1**



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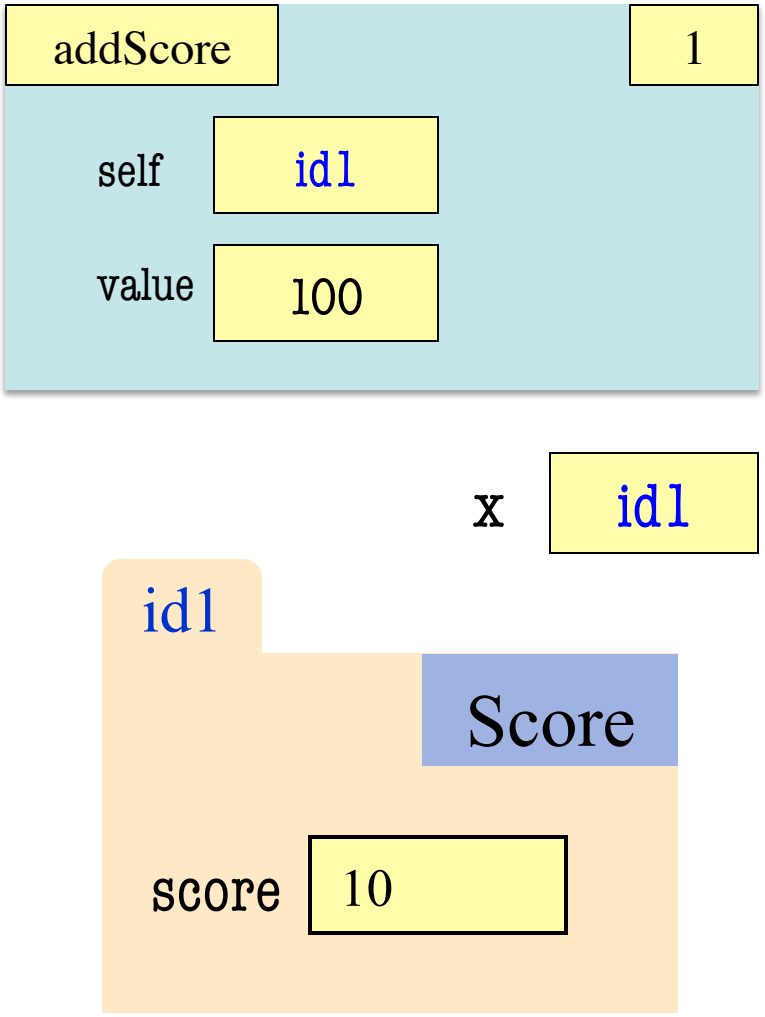

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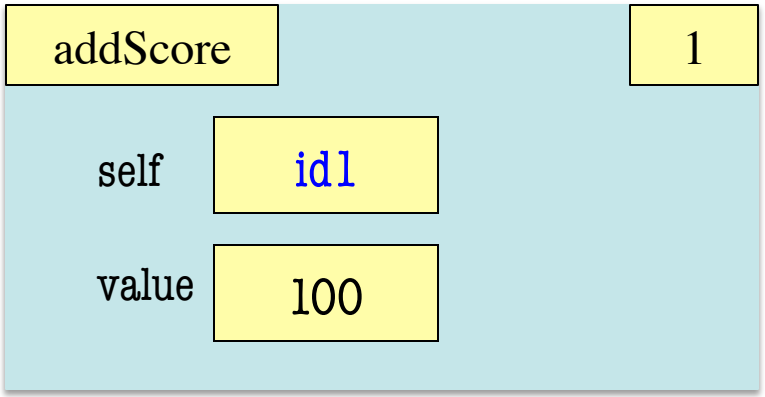
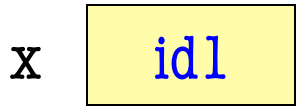
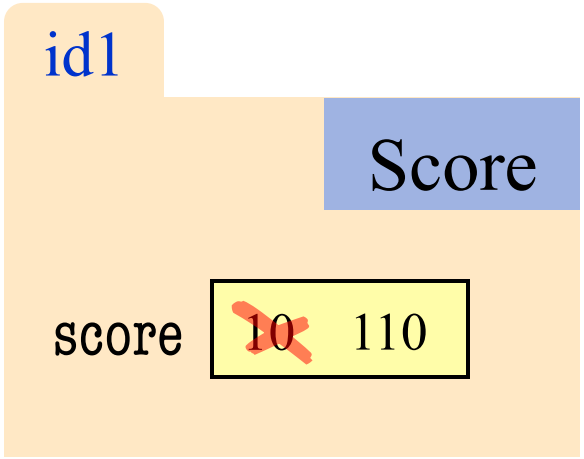




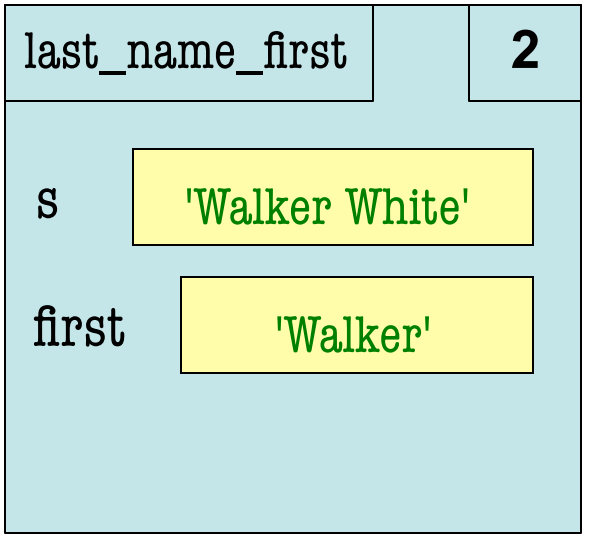


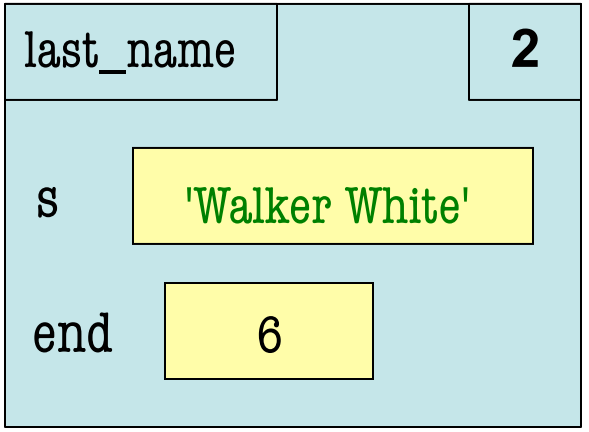
Call Stacks: Given a Line to Reach

```
def last_name_first(s):
    """Precondition: s in the form
    <first-name> <last-name>"""
1   first = first_name(s)
2   last = last_name(s)
3   return last + '.' + first
```

```
def last_name(s):
    """Prec: see last_name_first"""
1   end = s.find(' ')
2   return s[end+1:]
```

Execute to here





(Modified) Question from Previous Years

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    (does not make a copy)
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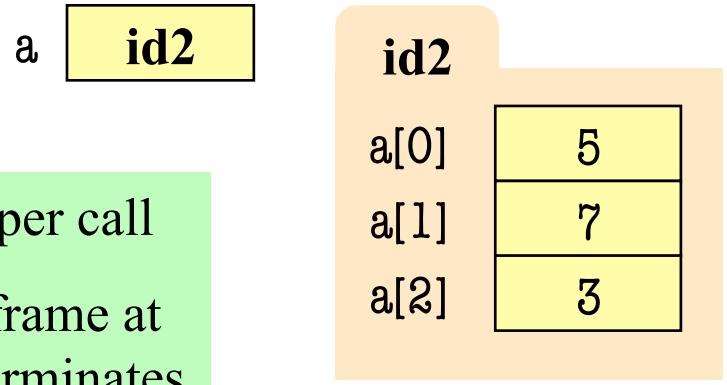
    """Reverse b[h..k] in place
    Pre: b is a list; h, k are in b"""
1   if h >= k:
2       return
3   temp = b[h]
4   b[h] = b[k]
5   b[k] = temp
6   reverse_part(b,h+1,k-1)
```

- Execute the call
  - a = [5,7,3]; reverse(a)
  - Use 'folder' for list a below
  - Stop upon completing line 2
  - **Draw call frame at that time**!

Give only one frame per call

Give the state of the frame at last line before call terminates



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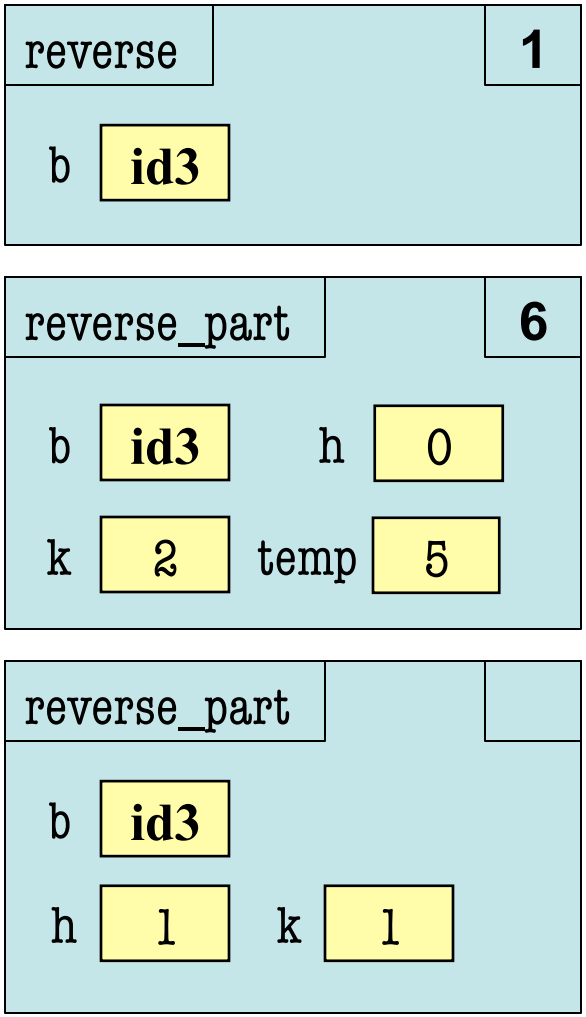

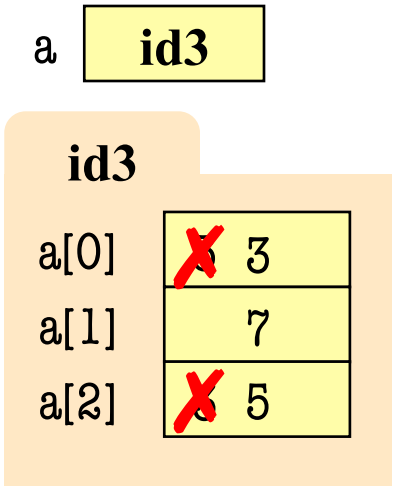

Diagramming Objects (Folders)

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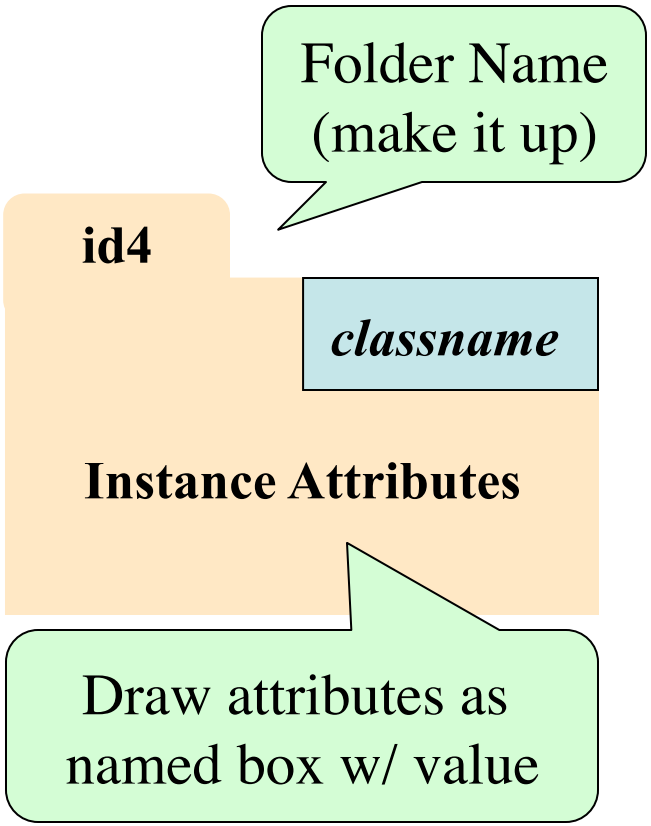
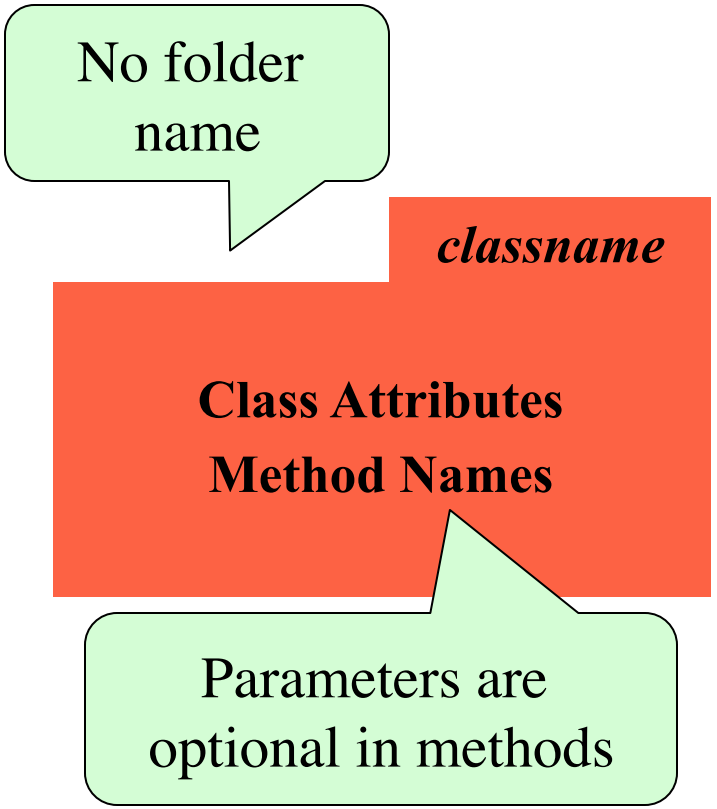


Class Folder



Diagramming Example

```
class Time(object):
    """Instance attributes:
        _hr: hour of day [int, 0..23]
        _min: minute of hour [int, 0..59]"""

    def getMin(self):
        """Return: minute of hour"""
        return self._min

    def __init__(self, h, m=0):
        """Initializer: new time h:m"""
        self._hr = h;  self._min = m

    def __str__(self):
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        return `self._hr` + ':' + `self._min`
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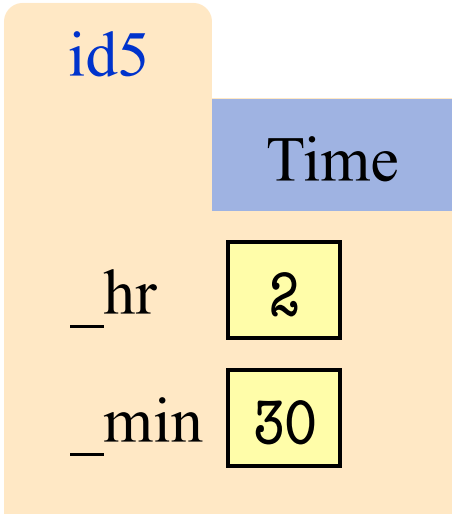

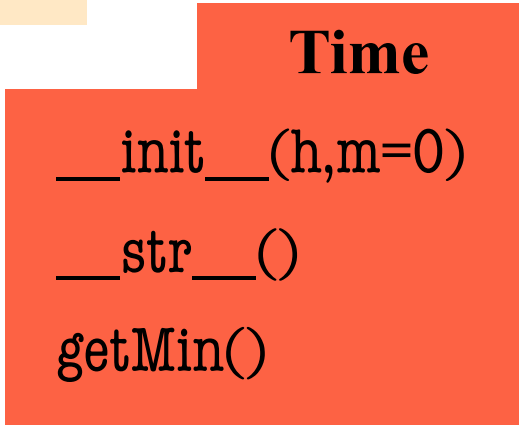

Evaluation of a Constructor Call

3 steps to evaluating the call C(args)

- ***Create a new folder*** (object) of class C
  - Give it with a unique name (any number will do)
  - Folder goes into heap space
- Execute the ***method*** __init__(args)
- Yield ***the name*** of the object as ***the value***
  - A constructor call is an *expression*, not a command
  - Does not put name in a variable unless you **assign it**

Code Segment (with Constructors)

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    f = 0
    def __init__(self, k):
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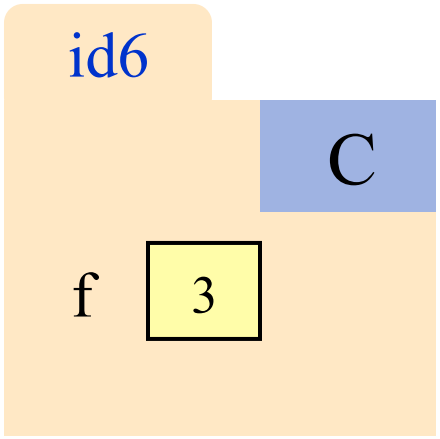

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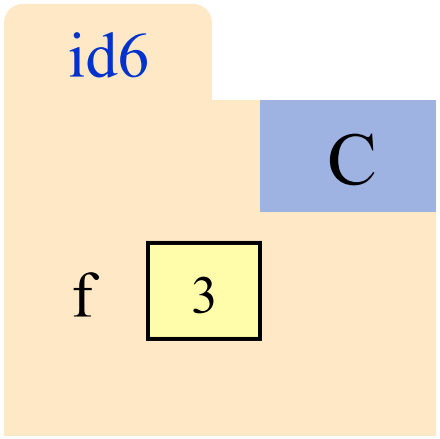

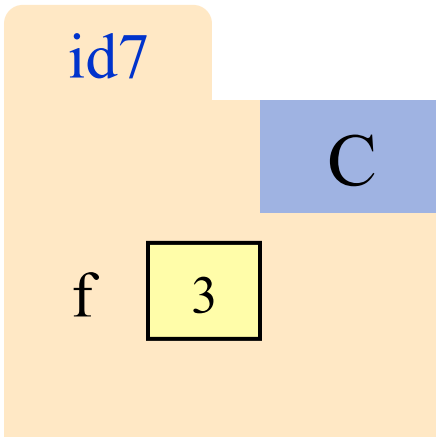

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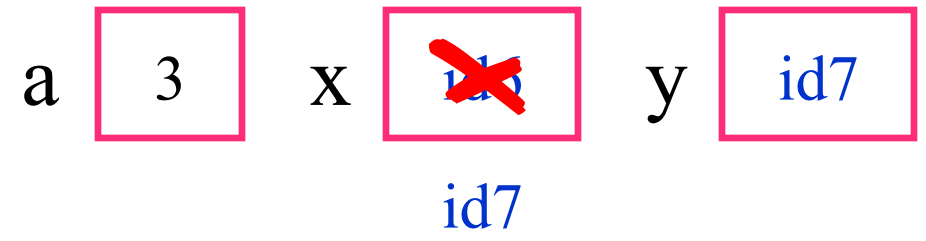

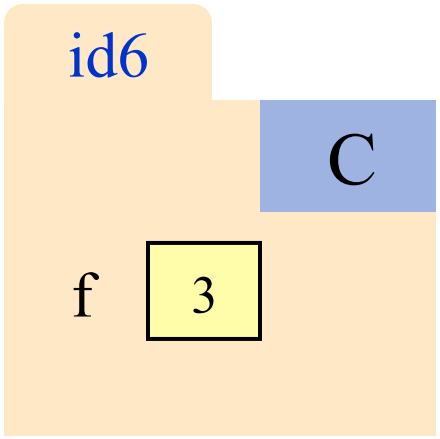

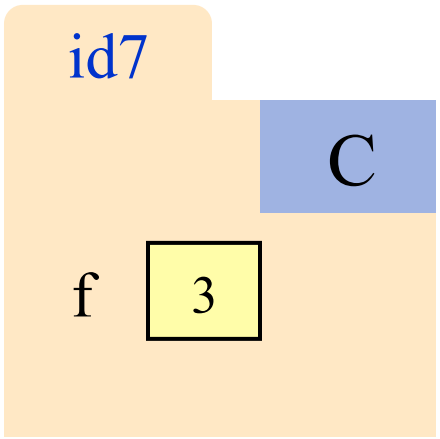

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Code Execution (Q4 from 2008 fall final, modified)

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class Item(object):
    """Instance attributes:
          _cost: cost of this item [float > 0]
          _name: item name [nonempty str]
    """

    def __init__(self, t, c):
        """Initializer: new Item with name t, cost c"""
        self._name = t;  self._cost = c

    def getCost(self):
        """Return: cost of this item """
        return self._cost

    def getName(self):
        """Return: item's name"""
        return self._name

    def __str__(self):
        """Returns '<name>:<cost>' as representation"""
        return self.name + ':' + str(self.cost)

    def add(self, d):
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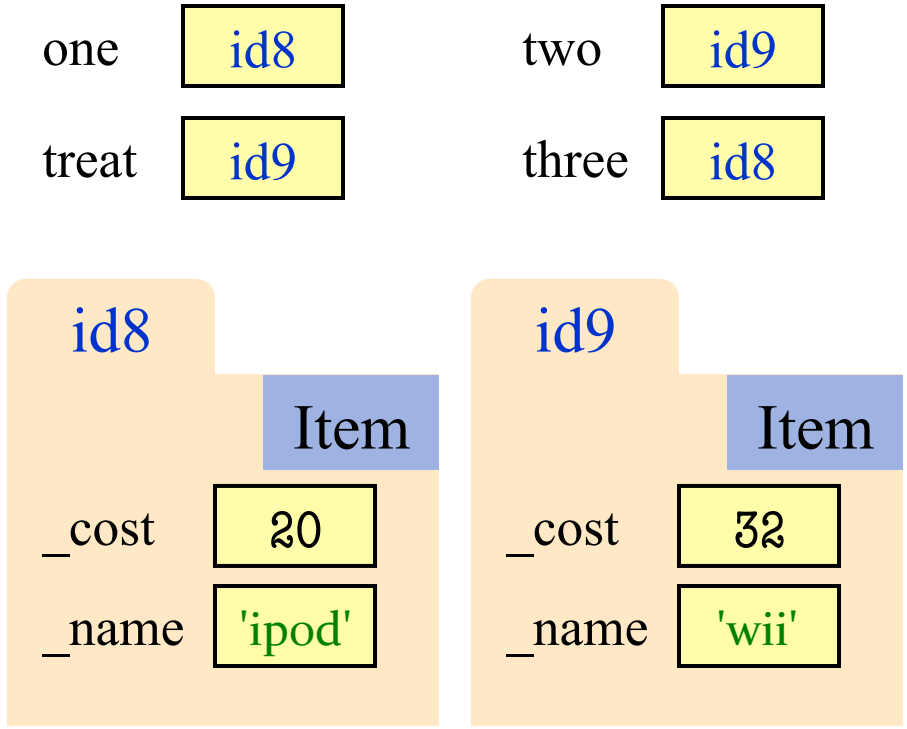

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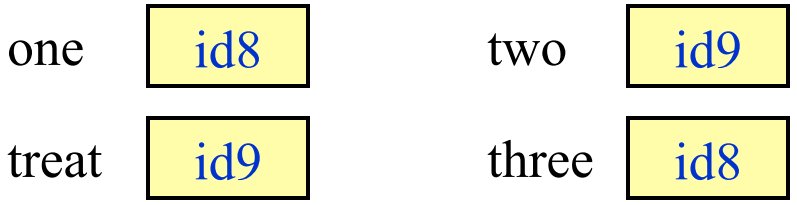

Output:

6 : 'ipod:24'

7 : 'Cost of item one: 24'

8 : 'Are they the same? False'

9 : 'Are they the same? False'

10 : 'Are they the same? True'

Example from Fall 2013

```
class Cornellian(object):
    """Instance attributes:
          _cuid: Cornell id [int > 0]
          _name: full name [nonempty str]"""
    NEXT = 1 # Class Attribute
    ...
    def _assignCUID(self):
        """Assigns _cuid to next Cornell id"""
        self._cuid = Cornellian.NEXT
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Pay close attention to class attribute NEXT

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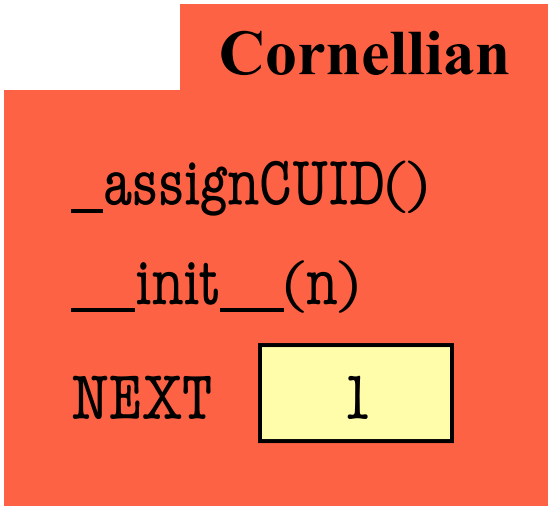

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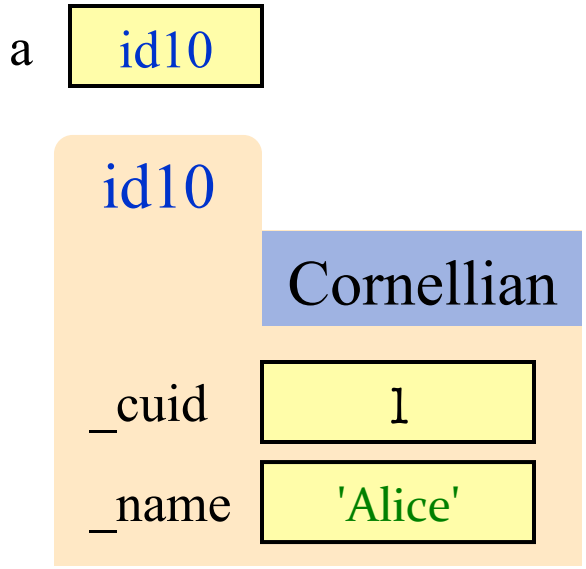

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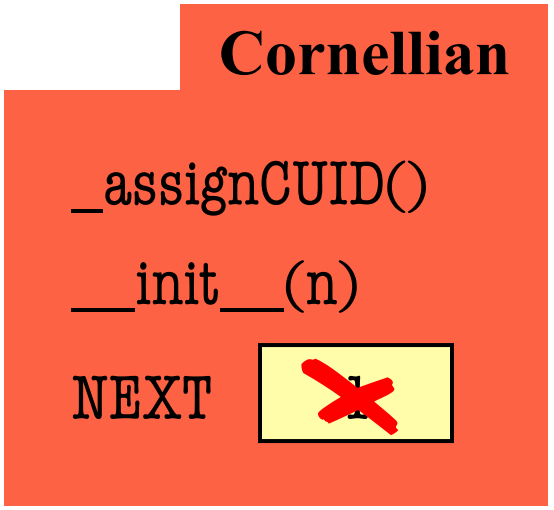

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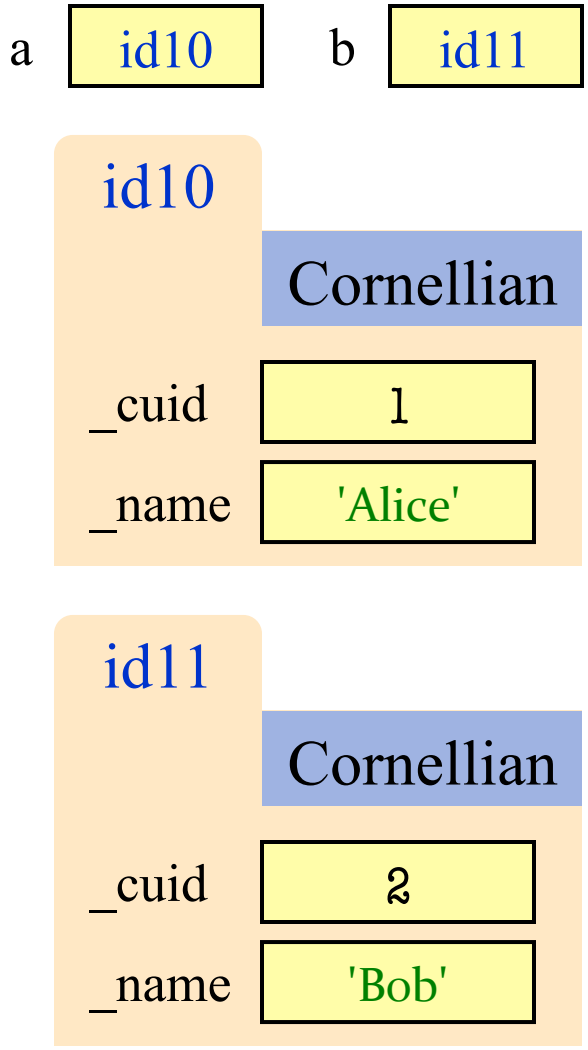

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