CIS 110: Introduction to Computer Programming

Lecture 7
Actual Graphics, Wow!
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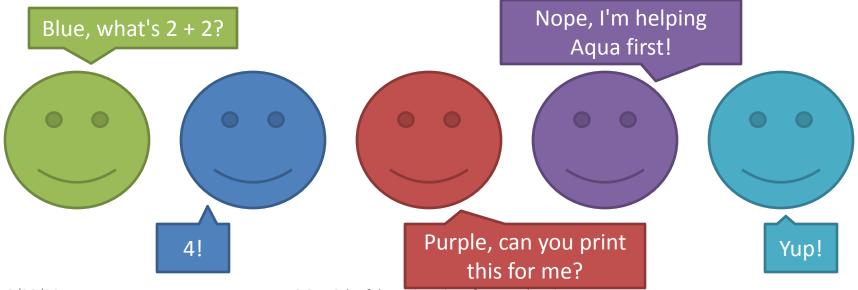
Outline

- Introduction to using objects
- Our first object: the DrawingPanel
- Drawing with the Graphics class
- Applying what we know to 2D graphics

Using Objects

What Is An Object?

- A user-defined programming entity that contains state (data) and behavior (methods).
 - Classes are blueprints for objects.
 - A Java program is to be a "collection of interacting objects" (similar to our static method calls).



Our Focus: Using Objects

- Creating classes/objects influences how we organize our code.
 - Unimportant in terms of fundamentals.
- However, using objects is fundamental to programming in Java.
 - Our focus for this lecture (and the next).

Primitive Data versus Objects

Primitive Types

int, char,
 double,
 float,
 boolean, ...

Class Types (objects)

(String),
DrawingPanel,
Graphics,
...

- Java has different rules with how we handle data of primitive type versus class type.
 - Worthwhile fact to keep in the back of your mind.

The DrawingPanel

Demo (see Drawings.java)