

# UNIT 10A Visualizing Data: Graphics in Python

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# **Drawing using Python**

- We will be using Python's interface to Tcl/Tk, a cross-platform graphics library.
  - To use this, you should be logged in directly into the Andrew machines or logged in remotely (using ssh) with an X client running

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# Creating a window for drawing

```
import tkinter
window = tkinter.Tk()
c = tkinter.Canvas(window, width=1000, height=1000)
c.pack()
```

- The **window** is what pops up on your computer.
- The canvas is what we create graphics on within the window.
- Packing the canvas tells it to occupy the entire window.

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#### **Coordinate System**

- When drawing on a canvas, the location of the origin is at the TOP LEFT, not bottom left.
  - x increases left to right
  - y increases top to bottom
- Coordinates are based on PIXELS, not other units like inches or millimeters.

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# Coordinate System

```
>>> import tkinter
>>> window = tkinter.Tk()
>>> c = tkinter.Canvas(window, width=200, height=250)
>>> c.pack()

(0,0)

250
pixels

200 pixels
```

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#### **Drawing Rectangles**

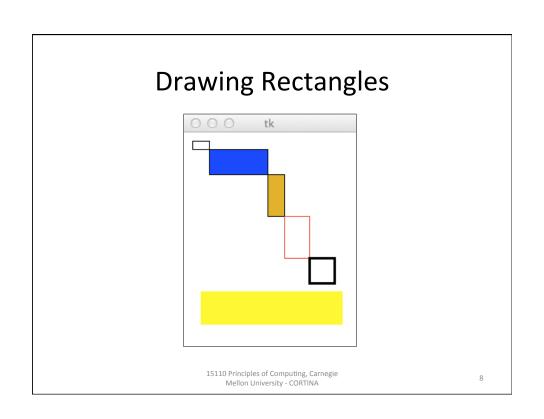
canvas\_name.create\_rectangle(
 x0, y0, x1, y1, optional params)

- Draw a rectangle from top left (x<sub>0</sub>,y<sub>0</sub>) to bottom right (x<sub>1</sub>,y<sub>1</sub>) in units of pixels.
- Optional parameters:

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fill="color" (default: none)
outline="color" (default: "BLACK")
color can also be specified in hex as "#RRGGBB"
width=numpixels (default: 1)
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### **Drawing Rectangles**



#### Circles

canvas\_name.create\_oval (
 x0, y0, x1, y1, optional\_params)

• Draw an oval inscribed in a bounding box from top left  $(x_0, y_0)$  to bottom right  $(x_1, y_1)$  in units of pixels.

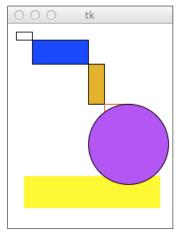
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>>> c.create_oval(100, 100, 200, 200, fill="#FF00FF")
```

Note how the window acts like a painter's canvas.

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#### Circles



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# **Polygons**

canvas\_name.create\_polygon(
 x0, y0, x1, y1, ..., xn, yn,
 optional params)

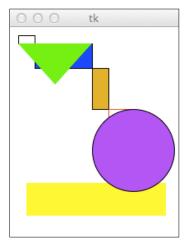
 Draw a Polygon with vertices taken from the list of points as follows: (x<sub>0</sub>, y<sub>0</sub>), (x<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>1</sub>), ..., (x<sub>n</sub>, y<sub>n</sub>). (The last vertex is connected back to the first vertex.)

>>> c.create\_polygon(10, 20, 100, 20, 55, 70, fill="green")

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# **Polygons**



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#### Text on the canvas

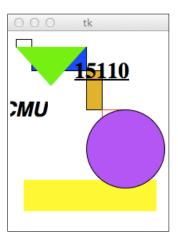
canvas\_name.create\_text(
 x0, y0, text=string, font=font)

- Draw a text object centered on the given x and y coordinates.
- >>> c.create\_text(120,50,text="15110",
   font="Times 28 bold underline")

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#### **Text**



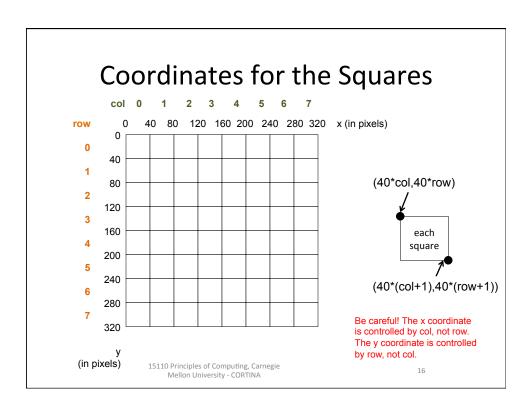
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#### Example

In graphicsdemo.py, write a Python function demo() that creates a window of size 320 by 320 and draws a grid of 8 by 8 squares, each of size 40 by 40 pixels, and colored a random color of red, green or blue for each square.

The random number generator is seeded with the number 15110 to generate the same sequence of pseudorandom numbers each time the function is called.

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# **Programming Example**

# Results python3 -i graphicsdemo.py >>> demo() >>> Interpretation of the second deviation of the sec