

Learn the OpenAccess API Using Python

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Section 3 OA Basic Classes

- OpenAccess models just about everything as an object; including basic concepts like: point, box, array of points, etc.
- It is important to understand these basic concepts before working with design data
- All coordinate values are specified in Database Units (DBU)
 - **Integer only values (no floating-point allowed)**
 - DBU is what is stored on disk; conversion to user units is done by the application (you)

Note: For now, we will use integer values only for coordinates. This will be explained later in more detail.

oaPoint

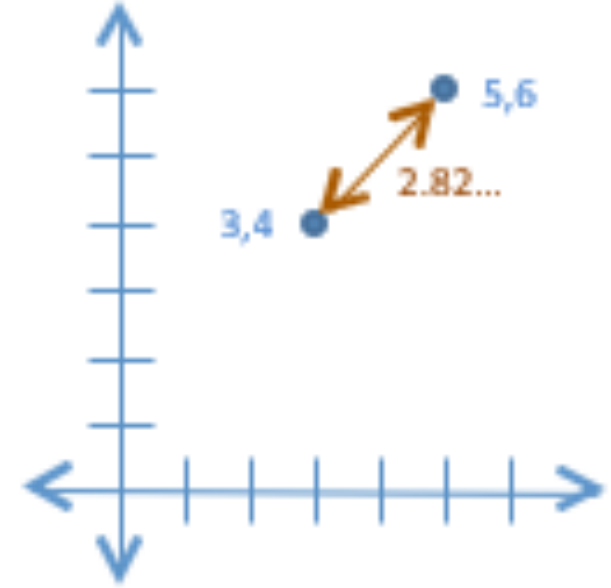
- Points are represented in the oaPoint class:

```
point1 = oa.oaPoint(3, 4)
point1.x() #=> 3
point1.y() #=> 4
point2 = oa.oaPoint(5, 6)
```

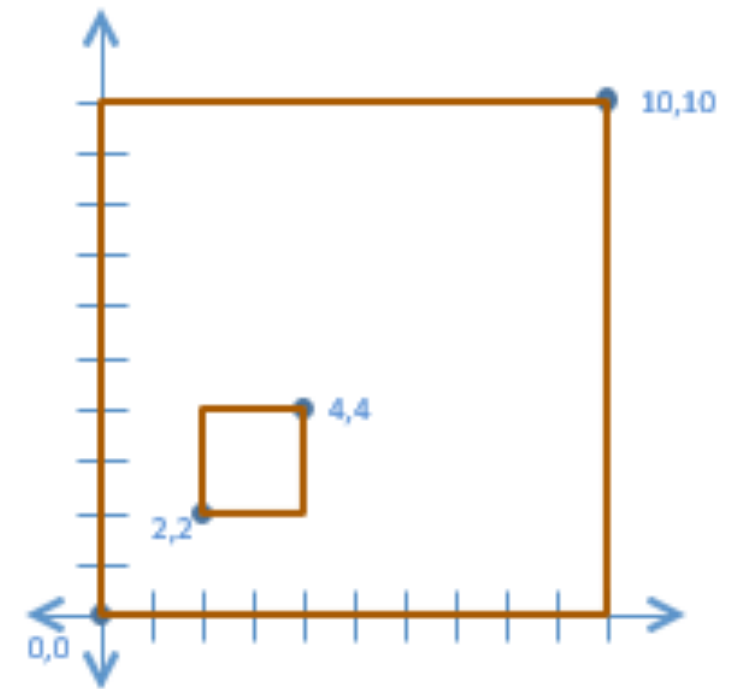
```
math.sqrt(point1.distanceFrom2(point2))
#=> 2.8284271247461903
```

- As a convenience in oaScript, any function that accepts an oaPoint as an argument will also accept an array of exactly two integers which represent a x/y point:

```
math.sqrt(point1.distanceFrom2([9, 2]))
#=> 6.324555320336759
```



oaBox



- Boxes are represented in the oaBox class:

```
box = oa.oaBox(0, 0, 10, 10)
```

```
box.lowerLeft() #=> oa.oaPoint(0, 0)
```

```
box.upperRight() #=> oa.oaPoint(10, 10)
```

```
box.getCenter() #=> oa.oaPoint(5, 5)
```

- As a convenience in oaScript, any function that accepts an oaBox as an argument will also accept an array of exactly four integers (left, bottom, right, top):

```
box.contains([2, 2, 4, 4]) #=> True
```

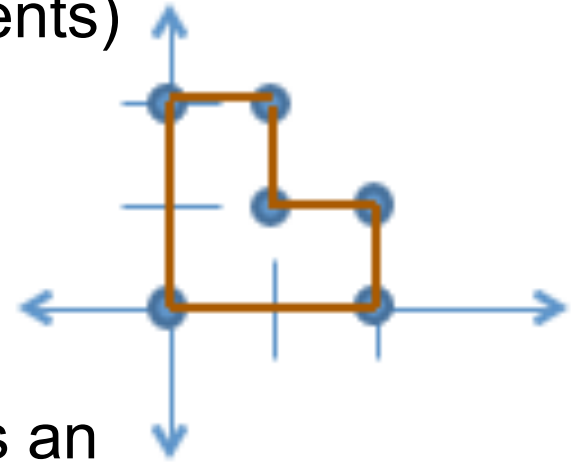
Lab 3.1

- Goal - Become familiar with coordinates, points, and boxes
- Create a script to:
 1. Create two boxes in different locations
 2. Scale one of the boxes by 2X
 3. See if the boxes are touching each other
 4. See if a point is completely inside one of the boxes
 - Not outside or on an edge
- compare your script to `labs/3.1/boxes.py`

oaPointArray

- Arrays of points are represented in the oaPointArray class. This is used to represent either a **closed set** of points (polygonal object) or an **open set** of points (line segments)

```
poly = oa.oaPointArray([[0,0], [0,10],  
[5,10], [5,5], [10,5], [10,0]])  
poly.getNumElements() #=> 6  
poly.getArea() #=> 75.0
```



- As a convenience in oaScript, any function that accepts an oaPointArray as an argument will also accept an array of two element arrays of integers (points)
- This is shown in the example above for the oa.oaPointArray() constructor where an existing set of points (array of arrays) is an oaPointArray to be copied and created into a new object

oaPointArray in other languages

- oaPointArray introduces a new concept, so we'll show it in all of the different languages

- **Perl**

```
$ptarr = new oa::oaPointArray( [[1,1], [1,2]] );
foreach $point (@$ptarr) {
    printf("(%d, %d)\n", $$point[0], $$point[1]);
}
```

- **Python**

```
ptarr = oa.oaPointArray(((1,1), (1,2)))
for point in ptarr:
    print "(%d, %d)" % (point.x(), point.y())
```

- **Ruby**

```
ptarr = Oa::OaPointArray.new([[1,1], [1,2]])
ptarr.each do |point|
    printf("(%d, %d)\n", point.x, point.y)
end
```

- **Tcl**

```
oa::foreach point $ptarr {
    puts [format "(%d, %d)" [$point x] [$point y]]
}
```


oaTransform

- In OA, objects can be transformed using the `oaTransform` class
 - Shifted by an x and y offset
 - Rotated about a reference point
 - Mirrored about the x or y axis
- See “Using Transforms” section of the API doc for details (Programmers Guide->Physical Design->Using Transforms)
- Example:

```
point = oa.oaPoint(1,1)
xform  = oa.oaTransform(oa.oacR90)
  point.transform(xform)  #=> oaPoint(-1,1)
xform2 = oa.oaTransform(oa.oacR90, 2, 2)
  point.transform(xform2) #=> oaPoint(2,1)
```

Lab 3.2

- Goal - Become familiar with polygons and transforms
- Create a script to:
 - Create a polygon
 - Transform it in some way (rotate, mirror, and/or shift)
 - Print the resulting points to the screen
- compare your script to `labs/3.2/points.py`

oa*Name

- The oa*Name class provides a way to **store and translate** between different naming conventions
- Namespaces are used to manage handling of special characters or restrictions in naming
- The oaName concept is used for names like on nets and instances
- See “Name Mapping” section of the API doc for details
 - Programmers Guide->Names->Name Mapping
- Name classes:
 - **oaName** – wrapper to represent any of the oa*Name types
 - **oaScalarName** – represents a non-bit name (e.g. “foo”)
 - **oaVectorName** – represents a name with many bits (e.g. “foo[0:7]”)
 - **oaVectorBitName** – represents a name with a single bit (e.g. “foo[1]”)
 - oaBundleName – represents potentially repeated simple names
 - oaSimpleName – wrapper to represent scalar, vector, or vector bit

Bold = covered in this training

oaScalarName

- The oaScalarName class is for single non-bit names
 - The most used out of all of the oa*Name classes
- Example conversion between CDBA->Verilog
 - To highlight conversion, the special hierarchy character is used
 - Grave symbol for CDBA `
 - Period for Verilog .

```
cdba_ns = oa.oaCdbaNS()  
v_ns = oa.oaVerilogNS()  
name = oa.oaScalarName(cdba_ns, "a`b")  
name.get(v_ns) #=> "a.b"
```

oaVectorName

- The oaVectorName class is for a range of bits
 - Bus bits separation character(s) are abstracted until a name is needed in a given namespace

- Example:

```
vname = oa.oaVectorName("bit", 0, 7)  vname.getBaseName() #=>
    "bit"
```

```
vname.getStart() #=> 0
```

```
vname.getStop() #=> 7
```

```
vname.getStep() #=> 1
```

```
vname.getNumBits() #=> 8
```

```
    vname.get(oa.oaCdbaNS()) #=> "bit<0:7>"
```

```
vname.get(oa.oaVerilogNS()) #=> "bit[0:7]"
```

oaVectorBitName

- The oaVectorBitName class is for a single bit
 - Bus bits separation character(s) are abstracted until a name is needed in a given namespace
- Example:

```
bname = oa.oaVectorBitName("bit", 0)
```

```
bname.getBaseName() #=> "bit"
```

```
bname.getIndex() #=> 0
```

```
bname.get(oa.oaCdbaNS()) #=> "bit<0>"
```

```
bname.get(oa.oaVerilogNS()) #=> "bit[0]"
```

oaName

- The oaName class is used to wrap any of the oa*Name classes
- The type of wrapped name can be found with the getType() method call
- Examples:

```
name = oa.oaName(oa.oaCdbaNS(), "foo")
```

```
name.getType().getName() #=> "scalarName"
```

```
name = oa.oaName("foo[0]") name.getType().getName()
```

```
#=> "vectorBitName"
```

```
name = oa.oaName("foo[0:7]") name.getType().getName()
```

```
#=> "vectorName" name.get(oa.oaVerilogNS()) #=>
```

```
"foo[0:7]"
```

Lab 3.3

- ❑ Goal - Become familiar with OA Namespaces
- ❑ Create a script to:
 - Accept a single argument from the command line
 - Store it as a CDBA oaName (oaCdbaNS)
 - Show the oaName type
 - Show the unpacked string in the following namespaces:
 - Spice (oaSpiceNS)
 - Verilog (oaVerilogNS)
 - LEF (oaLefNS)
- ❑ Try using various inputs to see if they fail
 - 'foo', 'bit<0>', 'bit<0:7>', 'a`b'
- ❑ Compare your script with labs/3.3/names.py

Section 3 Summary

- OpenAccess models just about everything as an object
- Geometric objects: point, point array, box
- Geometric actions: transform, comparisons (contains, overlaps)
- Names and namespaces
- Some types: not comprehensive, there are more

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