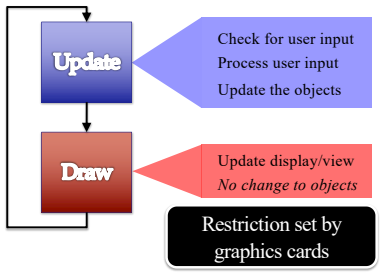
A Standard GUI Application

Animates the application, like a movie



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Must We Write this Loop Each Time?

```
while program_is_running:
    # Get information from mouse/keyboard
    # Handled b
    # Your code
    application.update()
    #
    #
```

Method call (for loop body)

Custom Application class with its own **attributes**

- Write loop body in an app class.
- OS/GUI handles everything else.

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Programming Animation

Intra-Frame	Inter-Frame
• Computation within frame ▪ Only need current frame • **Example:** Collisions ▪ Need current position ▪ Use to check for overlap • Can use **local variables** ▪ All lost at update() end ▪ But no longer need them	• Computation across frames ▪ Use values from last frame • **Example:** Movement ▪ Need old position/velocity ▪ Compute next position • Requires **attributes** ▪ Attributes never deleted ▪ Remain after update() ends

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Designing a Game Class: Animation

```
class Animation(game2d.GameApp):
    """App to animate an
    def start(self):
        """Initializes the game loop."""
        ...
    def update(self,dt):
        """Changes the ellipse position."""
        ...
    def draw(self):
        """Draws the ellipse"""
        ...
```

Parent class that does hard stuff

See animation.py

Loop initialization
Do NOT use __init__

Loop body

Use method draw() defined in GObject

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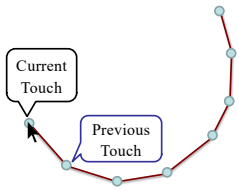
Interframe Computation: Touch

- Works like an Etch-a-Sketch
  - User draws by touching
  - Checks position each frame
  - Draws lines between touches
- Uses attribute touch in GInput
  - The mouse press position
  - Or **None** if not pressed
  - Access with self.input.touch
- But we also need last touch!
  - Forgot if we do not store it
  - Purpose of attribute last

Line segment = 2 points



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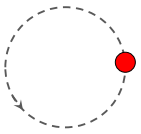
State: Changing What the Loop Does

- **State**: Current loop activity
  - Playing game vs. pausing
  - Ball countdown vs. serve
- Add an attribute state
  - Method update() checks state
  - Executes correct helper
- How do we store state?
  - State is an *enumeration*; one of several fixed values
  - Implemented as an int
  - Global **constants** are values

State ANIMATE_CIRCLE



State ANIMATE_HORIZONTAL

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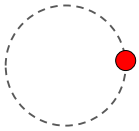
States and the Class Invariant

- Think of each state as a mini-program
  - Has its own update functionality/logic
  - Usually separated out as helper to update
  - update uses ifs to send to correct helper
- Need to include in the **class invariant**
  - Some attributes only used in certain states
  - What values must they have in *other* states?
- Also need rules for when we switch states
  - Could be the result of an *event* (e.g. game over)
  - Could be the result of an *input* (e.g. a key press)



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Checking Input

Keyboard

- is_key_down(key)
  - Returns True if key is down
  - key is a string ('a' or 'space')
  - Empty string means *any* key
- is_key_pressed(key)
  - Returns True if key pressed
  - key **not** down prev. frame
- is_key_released(key)
  - Returns True if key released
  - key was down prev. frame

Mouse/Touch

- touch
  - **Attribute** giving a position
  - Stored as a Point2 object
  - But None if no touch
- is_touch_pressed()
  - True if touch pressed
  - touch was None prev. frame
- is_touch_released()
  - True if touch released
  - touch **not** None prev. frame

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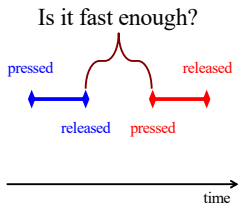
Complex Input: Click Types

- Double click = 2 fast clicks
- Count number of fast clicks
  - Add an attribute clicks
  - Reset to 0 if not fast enough
- Time click speed
  - Add an attribute time
  - Set to 0 when mouse released
  - Increment when not pressed (e.g. in loop method update())
  - Check time when next pressed



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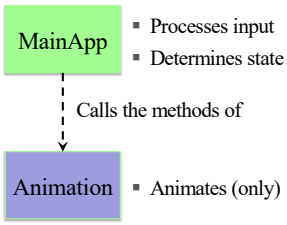
Designing Complex Applications

- Applications can become extremely complex
  - Large classes doing a lot
  - Many states & invariants
  - Specification unreadable
- **Idea**: Break application up into several classes
  - Start with a "main" class
  - Other classes have roles
  - Main class delegates work



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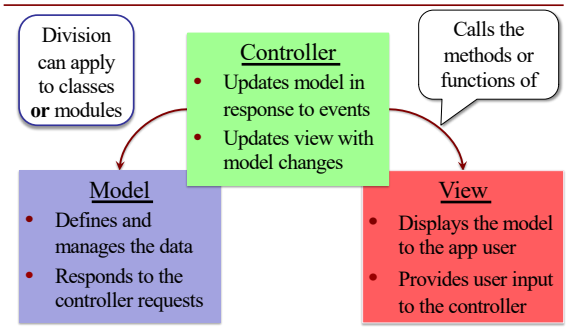
Model-View-Controller Pattern



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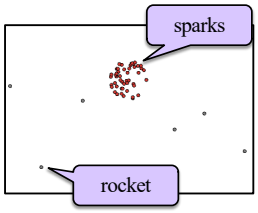
Models in Assignment 7

- Often subclass of GObject
  - Has built-in draw method
- Includes groups of models
  - **Example**: rockets in pyro.py
  - Each rocket is a model
  - But so is the entire list!
  - update() will change both
- **A7**: Several model classes
  - Ship to animate the player
  - Alien to represent an alien



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