# CS61A Lecture 23 

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## Announcements

$\square$ Ants project due Monday

- HW8 due next Wednesday at 7pm
$\square$ Midterm 2 next Thursday at 7pm
$\square$ Review session Sat. 3/16 at 2pm in 2050 VLSB
$\square$ Office hours Sun. 3/17 12-4pm in 310 Soda
$\square$ HKN review session Sun. 3/17 at 4pm in 145 Dwinelle
$\square$ See course website for more information


## The Independence of Data Types

Data abstraction and class definitions keep types separate
Some operations need to cross type boundaries

How do we add a complex number and a rational number together?


Rational numbers as numerators \& denominators
add_complex mul_complex

Complex numbers as two-dimensional vectors

There are many different techniques for doing this!

## Type Dispatching

Define a different function for each possible combination of types for which an operation (e.g., addition) is valid

```
def iscomplex(z):
    return type(z) in (ComplexRI, ComplexMA)
def isrational(z):
    return type(z) is Rational
```

def add_complex_and_rational(z, r):
return ComplexRI(z.real + r.numerator $/ \mathbf{r}$.denominator,
z.imag)
def add_by_type_dispatching(z1, z2):
"""Add z1 and z2, which may be complex or rational."""
if iscomplex(z1) and iscomplex(z2):
return add_complex(z1, z2)
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elif isrational(z1) and iscomplex(z2):
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else:
add_rational(z1, z2)

## Tag-Based Type Dispatching

Idea: Use dictionaries to dispatch on type (like we did for message passing)

```
def type_tag(x):
    return type_tags[type(x)]
type_tags = {ComplexRI':'com'
    ComplexMA: 'com''
                                    Rational: 'rat'}
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Declares that ComplexRI and ComplexMA should be treated uniformly
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