

# CIS 11000

Types, Variables &  
Sequences! (Lecture)

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# Correction: Printing `{` and `}` in f-strings

If you want to print `{` in an f-string, you don't escape it with a `\`, instead you "double it" within a `{}` pair

example:

```
print(f"{1}}}") # prints "1}"
```

Note: You are not expected to know this, and we will not test on this specific part of f-strings.

# Review: Boolean Type

Another type that exists is `bool` which can represent two values `True` or `False`

```
x = True
y = False
print(x)
```

can use the operators `and`, `or` and `not` on booleans

What does `c` evaluate to? (S7)

e.g. if we ran this code then printed `c`, what would it print?

```
a = False
b = True
c = (not a or b) and not (a and True)
```

# Review: Comparing

A common way to get boolean values is through comparison.

- `==` checks if two things are equal
- `!=` checks if two things are NOT equal

```
"Hello" == "hello" evaluates to False
```

```
5 != 3 evaluates to True
```

```
"hi" == "hi" evaluates to True
```

# Review: Ordering

There also exist operators to check for:

- $\leq$ : less than or equal to
- $\geq$ : greater than or equal to
- $<$ : less than
- $>$ : greater than

# Review: Numerical Types

Python can store numbers, but it makes a distinction between two types of numbers:

- `int` These are Integers, meaning any positive or negative value (or zero).
  - e.g. `0`, `-3200`, `10`
- `float` These can store rational numbers and some special values
  - e.g. `3.14`, `2.0`, `infinity`

# Review: Other Arithmetic Operators

- `**` used for exponents.
  - e.g. 5 squared is `5 ** 2`
- `//` used for "integer division, rounds the result towards 0"
  - `int // int` evaluates to an `int`
  - `3 // 2` evaluates to `1`
- `%` called "modulo" used to get the remainder of a division.
  - `5 % 2` evaluates to `1`
  - `9 % 3` evaluates to `0`

Write some code to determine if the variable `x` contains an even integer (L11)

```
x = <some_number>
is_even = _____
```

# Operator Precedence

When we start combining operators together, it can get pretty complex to figure out the order things are evaluated.

Basic order of operations: (First evaluated to last evaluated)

- Parentheses `()`
- exponents `**`
- multiplication/division/mod `*` `/` `//` `%`
- addition / subtraction `+` `-`
- comparisons and membership `in` `not in` `<` `>=` `==` etc.
- `not`, `and`, `or`

**You do not need to memorize these. When in doubt: Use Parenthesis**



# Type Conversion

Allows you to convert from one type to another

```
x = int("1300")    # converted str to int
z = str(x)        # Z has str conversion of x "1300"
a = bool("True")  # a has bool value True
f = float("3.14") # f has float value 3.14
```

# Complex Reassignment

What does `z` evaluate to after this code is run? (S8)

```
x = 3
y = "luv sic"
z = str(x > 0 and x <= 6) + " " + y + str(x)
```

Compressed Order of Operations

- PEMDAS
- comparison
- boolean operations (and/or/not)

# TypeError

Some operands cannot be used between some types

Consider:

```
x = 3 + "Howdy"  
y = "bleh" > True
```

Most of the time you can resolve this by just adding a type conversion

# Invalid Casts

Not all types can always be converted from one to another.

Consider:

```
x = int("Howdy") # invalid literal for int() with base 10: 'howdy'
```

# Python REPL

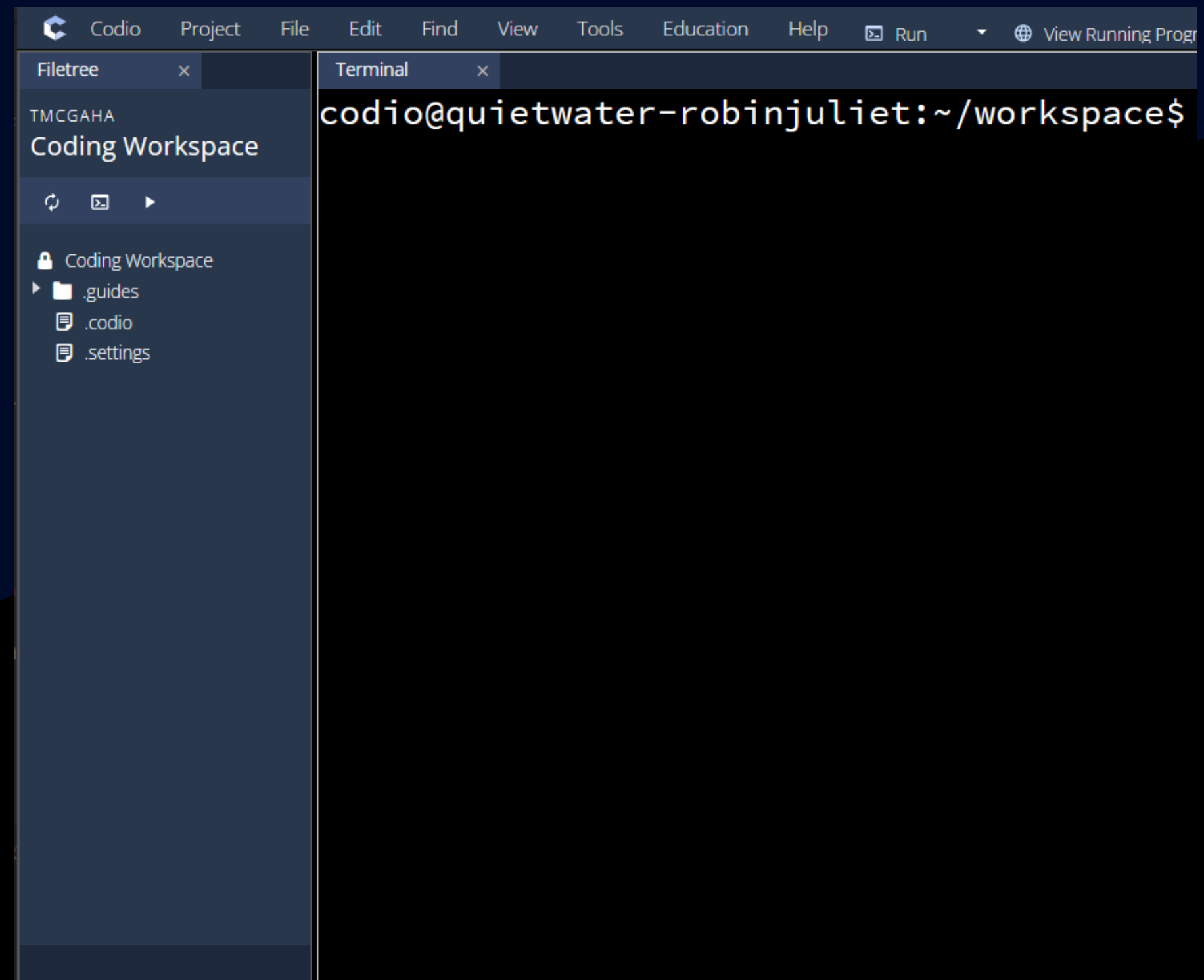
Python has a REPL that you can use to run python code without storing it in a file.

REPL = **R**ead **E**valuate **P**rint **L**oop

Useful if you want to just check something real quick

May be useful to write a regular python file for more longer or complex code.

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**Remember to end any running program first before you try to run the REPL**

Once you have it open, you should be able to see it prompt you in the terminal:

```
codio@quietwater-robinjuliet:~/workspace$ python
Python 3.11.2 (main, Apr 3 2023, 13:27:49) [GCC 11.2.0] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> █
```

# Python REPL

Once you have it open, you should be able to see it prompt you in the terminal:

I underlined the prompt in red

you can then type in lines of python and it will run those lines and remember variables.

if you don't assign a value into a variable, it will print that value.

Use `CTRL + D` or type `exit()` when done.

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>>> x
13
>>> print(x)
13
>>> █
```

# Sequence Types: String

An important aspect of the string type, is that it is a sequence type. A string contains a *sequence* of characters.

Sequences have a length and indices for individual members of the sequences.

For strings, it is a sequence of characters. Emphasis on sequences because: **The order matters**

```
s1 = "hi"  
s2 = "ih"  
print(s1 == s2) # False
```



# Sequence Types: String

Ordering is an important aspect to string, and we use **indices** as a way to specify positions in the string.

Consider the string

index	0	1	2	3	4	5
characters	H	e	l	l	o	!

index `0` is the first position (first character)

`len(string) - 1` is the index of the last character

# Sequence Types: Basic Functionality

For any sequence, you can use

- `len(seq)` to find the length of the sequence `seq`
- `seq[i]` to access the `i`th index of the sequence `seq`

```
x = "Travis"  
print(x[0])           # 'T'  
print(x[3])           # 'v'  
print(x[len(x) - 1]) # 's'
```

# Practice:

What is the index of the letter `E` and `Y` from the following string (S9)

```
x = "GY! BE"
```

Get the last character of a string. Your code should work for any value of string that has `len >= 1`. Do not just say `last_char = "e"`. (S10)

```
string = "example"  
last_char = _____
```

# Practice:

Get the middle character of a string without knowing the string's value. Assume length is odd and  $\geq 1$ . (C12)

```
string = "example"  
middle_char = "
```

Hint: //

Get the age from this string as an int. Do not just say `age = 26`, actually extract it from the string. (Also C12)

```
string = "Age: 26"  
age = _____
```

Hint: assume age is two characters. Think about what operators are useful here.

# Other String Sequence Function

- `string.find(target)`: finds the first index that has the target string, or -1 if not found.

example:

```
"Hello".find("l")    # 2  
"Phl".find("U")     # -1  
"Attack".find("ta") # 2
```

# Reminder:

- There is another check-in due before next lecture as always.
  - Friday's check-in will have an "exit-ticket" for you to submit questions and metrics about the course.
- Office Hours and Recitation start this week!
  - Recitation counts attendance, show up to your assigned recitation!
- HW00 is out and due Wednesday (1/29) at midnight
- HW01 will be released on Thursday and due the following Wednesday (normal HW cadence from now on)