CSci 127: Introduction to Computer Science



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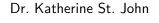
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Syllabus

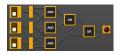
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Catalog Description: 3 hours, 3 credits: This course presents an overview of computer science (CS) with an emphasis on problem-solving and computational thinking through 'coding': computer programming for beginners...

This course is pre-requisite to several introductory core courses in the CS Major. The course is also required for the CS minor. MATH 12500 or higher is strongly recommended as a co-reg for intended Majors.



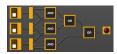




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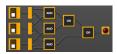




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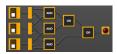




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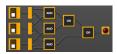




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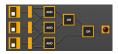




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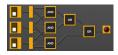




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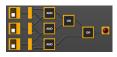




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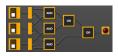




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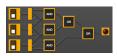




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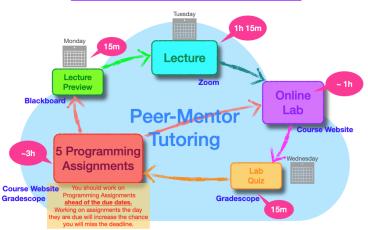




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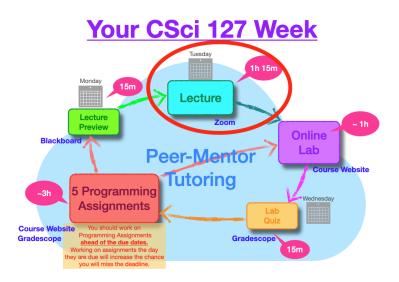
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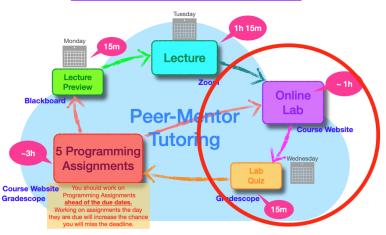


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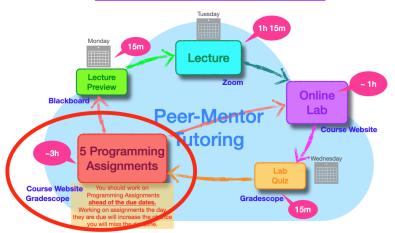
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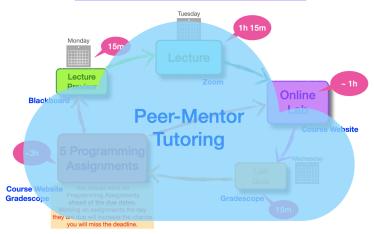
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Meet & Greet

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- We'll look at the design and basic structure (no worries if you haven't tried it yet).

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Demo in pythonTutor

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- We know that Hello, World! is a string (a sequence of characters) because it is surrounded by quotes

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                                                                          ← (this one also)
print("Hello, World!")
                                                     ← Prints the string "Hello, World!" to the screen
```

- Output to the screen is: Hello, World!
- We know that Hello, World! is a string (a sequence of characters) because it is surrounded by quotes
- Can replace Hello, World! with another string to be printed.

Variations on Hello, World!

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Spring18 here in Assembly Hall Who is L-M Miranda?



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print("The world's gonna know your name.")
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- Each print statement writes its output on a new line.
- Results in three lines of output.
- Can use single or double quotes, just need to match.

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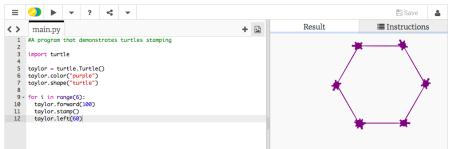
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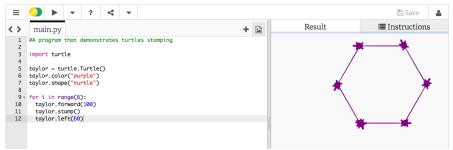
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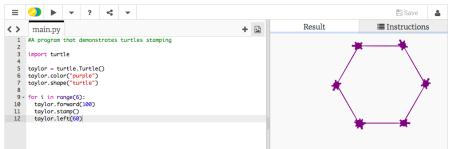
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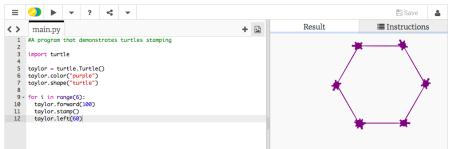
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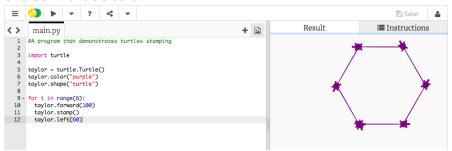
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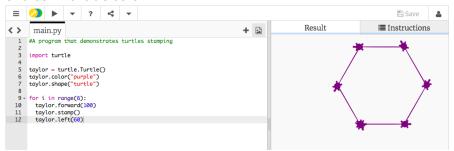
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Your Turn!!!

Try to solve this challenge:

- ① Write a program that will draw a 10-sided polygon.
- Write a program that will repeat the line: I'm lookin' for a mind at work! three times.

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```

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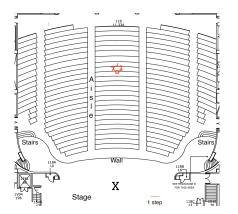
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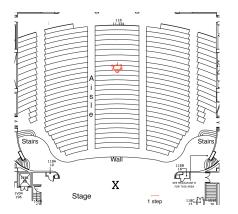


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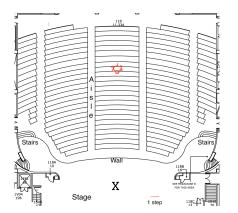
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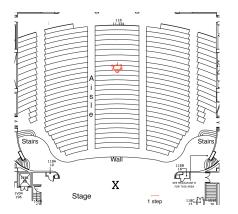
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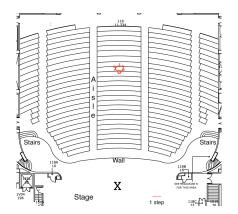
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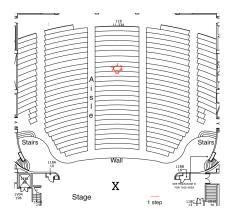
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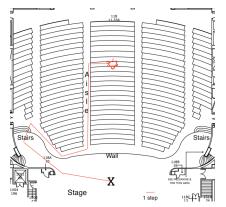
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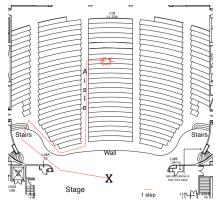
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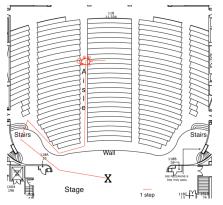
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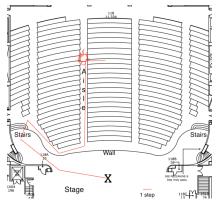
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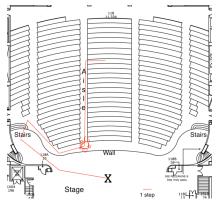
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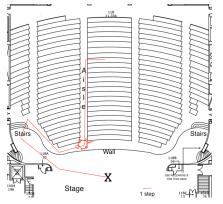
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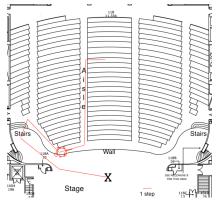
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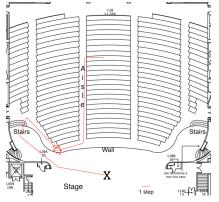
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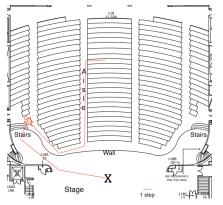
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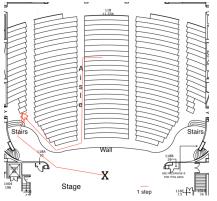
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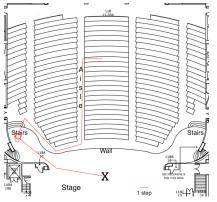
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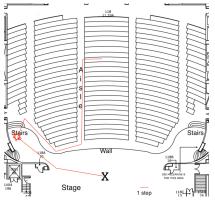
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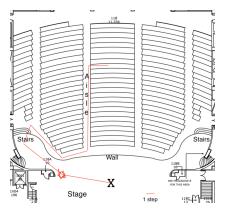
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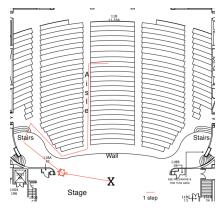
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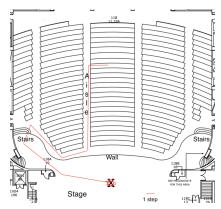
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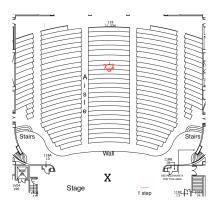


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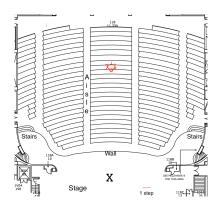
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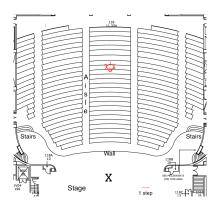
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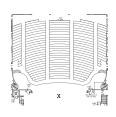


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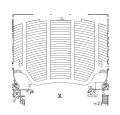
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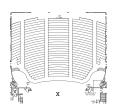
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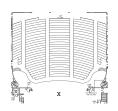
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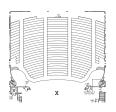
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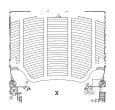
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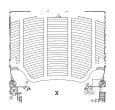
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