Objectives

- Escape Sequences
- String Formatting
- Broader Issue: Location Data

Review

- How does the computer represent data (e.g., numbers and text)?
- What are the various things we can do with strings?

Usability

- Want users to *like* to use your software
  - More revenue
  - Develop even better software
- How Apple makes money:
  best user interfaces → user buys products

Escape Sequences

- Escape character: \
- Escape sequences
  - newline character (carriage return) → `\n`
  - tab → `\t`
  - quote → `\"` or `\'`
  - backslash → `\\`
- Example:
  - `print("To print a \\, you must use \"\\\\\"")`
    - What does this display?

Interactive demonstration

Practice

- Display To print a tab, you must use '\t'.
- Display I said, "How are you?"

escape_sequence.py

FORMATTING STRINGS

Solution: `format` Method

- How to use:
  - `"templatestring".format(<whattoformat>)`
- `templatestring` allow us to control how output is displayed to user
  - Right, left justification
  - Number of decimals to display

Solution: `format` Method

- How to use:
  - `"templatestring".format(<whattoformat>)`
- Semantics: creates a **formatted string**
  - Means "format the `templatestring`, using the format(s) specified by **format specifiers** on the corresponding replacement values"
  - Returned as the `str` data type
- Typically used with print statements

Formatting Strings

- `templatestring` is a template for the resulting string with format specifiers instead of the values
  - For each format specifier in templatestring, should have a `replacement value`
  - Throws `IndexError` if not enough replacements for specifiers in `templatestring`

```
"{:.2f}".format(3.14159)
```

Evaluates to `"3.14"`

One format specifier in template string

Corresponding replacement value

Format Specifiers

[ ] mean optional

- General format:

```
{[field_name]:conversion}
```

index number of the argument, i.e., which field in the template string

- `conversion`
  - conversion code of the data type

Code	Type
s	string
d	integer
f	float
e	floating point with exponent

Default if code isn't given

(There are more...)

Format Specifiers

[ ] mean optional

Conversion options `:[flags][width][.precision][code]`

- flags:
  - 0: zero fills
  - +: adds a + sign before positive values
  - <: left-justification (default for strings)
  - >: right-justify (default for numbers)
  - ^: centered
- width:
  - *Minimum* number of character spaces reserved to display the entire value
  - Includes decimal point, digits before and after the decimal point and the sign
- precision:
  - Number of digits after the decimal point for **floating point** values

Example using Format Operator

Format specifier

```
print("Your item that cost ${:.2f}".format(value)
print("costs ${:.2f} with tax".format(tax))
```

Alternative:

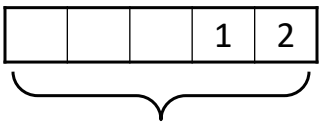
```
print(
 "Your item that cost ${:.2f} costs ${:.2f} with tax".format(value, tax))
```

sales_tax2.py

Example Format Specifiers

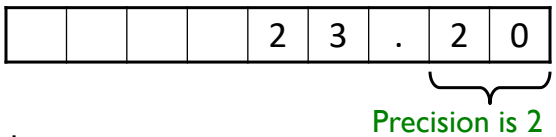
```
"{:5d}".format(12)   "{:9.2f}".format(23.1999)
```

→ `"   12"`



Field width is 5

→ `"   23.20"`



Precision is 2

Field width is 9

Right-justified

- What if precision is bigger than the decimal places?
- What if field width is smaller than the length of the value?

Any guesses? Try out in interpreter.

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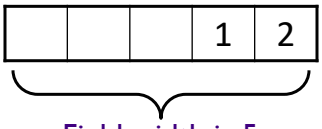

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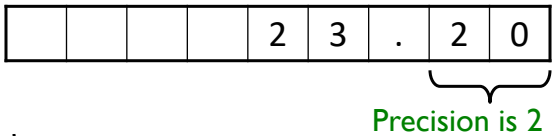

Precision is 2

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Right-justified

- What if precision is bigger than the decimal places?
  - Fills decimal with 0s
- What if field width is smaller than the length of the value?
  - String contains entire value

Formatting Practice

- `x = 10`
- `y = 3.5`
- `z = "apple"`
- `"{:6d}".format(x)`
- `"{:6.2f}".format(x)`
- `"{:6.2f}".format(y)`
- `"{:06.2f}".format(y)`
- `"{:^10s}".format(z)`
- `"{:5d} {:<7.3f}".format(x,y)`

Example: Printing Out Tables

- A table of temperature conversions

```
Temp F      Temp C      Temp K
------      ------      ------
-459.7      -273.1        0.0
   0.0       -17.8      255.2
  32.0         0.0      273.1
```

- If we want to print data in rows, what is the template for what a row looks like?
  - How do we make the column labels line up?

String Formatting Note

- There are a lot more things you can do with string formatting
- Presenting just a subset of the most commonly used functionality

Broader Issue

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Apps and Your Location Data

- What are the concerns about the apps having your location data?
- React to these statements in the article:
  - "You would have to be pretty oblivious if you are not aware that this is going on."
  - "In the most recent version of Android, apps that are not in use can collect locations 'a few times an hour,' instead of continuously."
  - Apple shelved this plan: "Last year, [Apple] said an upcoming version of iOS would show a blue bar onscreen whenever an app not in use was gaining access to location data."
- Did you know about apps tracking your location?
- Does it matter that apps sell your location data?
  - What are the tradeoffs?

Looking Ahead

- Chelsea Barabas Talk
  - Today, 5 p.m. Northen
- Lab 7 prep
  - Think about how to implement the Caesar Cipher
- Lab 7