



CS 1112: Introduction To Programming

Python Turtles



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Friendly Reminders

- Your **safety** and **comfort** is important!
 - If you choose to wear a mask you are welcome to do so
 - *We will interpret wearing a mask as being considerate and caring of others in the classroom (not that you are sick), and realize that some may choose to mask to remain distanced*
- Remember to always be **kind, respectful, supportive, compassionate and mindful of others!** 😊
- Be an **active** participant in your learning!
You're welcome and **encouraged** to ask questions during class!
- If you feel **unwell**, or think you are, **please stay home**
 - *Contact us! We will work with you!*
 - Get some rest 😊
 - View the recorded lectures – *please allow 24-48 hours to post*



Announcements

- **Quiz 1** is **due by 11:00pm on Monday (tonight)!**
 - No late quizzes accepted
 - No make-up quizzes allowed
 - If you believe your computer is glitching, it's a good idea to *copy down your answers* to each of the questions in a word document (even a couple of screen shots will be great). In the event something happens, you can send me your solutions
 - **Take quiz on:** [Sherlock.cs.virginia.edu](https://sherlock.cs.virginia.edu) (or use Sherlock link on Canvas)
- **Programming Assignment 00 (PA00)** is **due by 11:00pm on Wednesday (Jan. 29)!**
- **Add deadline:** January 27, 2025 **(today)!**
- **Syllabus Quiz:** If you wish to remain in the course, you must earn **12/12** on the Syllabus Quiz. Most of you should have **completed** the quiz by now.
Deadline: by 11:00pm on Wednesday **(Jan. 29)!**

TA Office Hours

- *Check out the **Office Hour Calendar** to know when TAs are holding their Office Hours*
(Linked on our Canvas page)
- In-person in **Thornton Stacks** (Thornton A, 2nd floor)
- Join the **queue** using the **link** on the left navigation bar of Canvas
 - “**TA Office Hour Queue Tool**”

Reminder: If attending Professor Office Hours – there is no need to use the Office Hour Queue Tool!

TA Office Hour Queue Tool

1. Click on “**TA Office Hour Queue Tool**” link on Canvas. You will be logged in via your UVa NetBadge credentials
2. Select your **course (CS 1112)** (*if you see other courses listed there, be sure you don't click there!*)

Please select your course below.

Select a course



Select Course

Reminder: Even though TA Office Hours are in-person, you must first join the electronic (online) queue!

TA Office Hour Queue Tool


3. Fill in the **details** before joining the queue
- We strive to find ways to make the office hour experience better. To help, kindly fill out a short survey after each of your office hour sessions with a TA, by clicking on the “Complete Survey” button.

Thanks for helping us improve office hours!

Subject

Enter subject here

Description

Enter your issue here  *Please be as descriptive as possible!*

Please explain your issue in a few sentences before joining the queue.

Location


Enter location here

Where can the TA find you?

☒ I would like to be placed in a group (this might decrease your wait time)

Join queue

Forgot to fill out the survey from last time? Click here to go back and fill it out!

 [Complete Survey](#)

Don't be shy to ask for additional directions if you are not sure how to find Thornton Stacks!

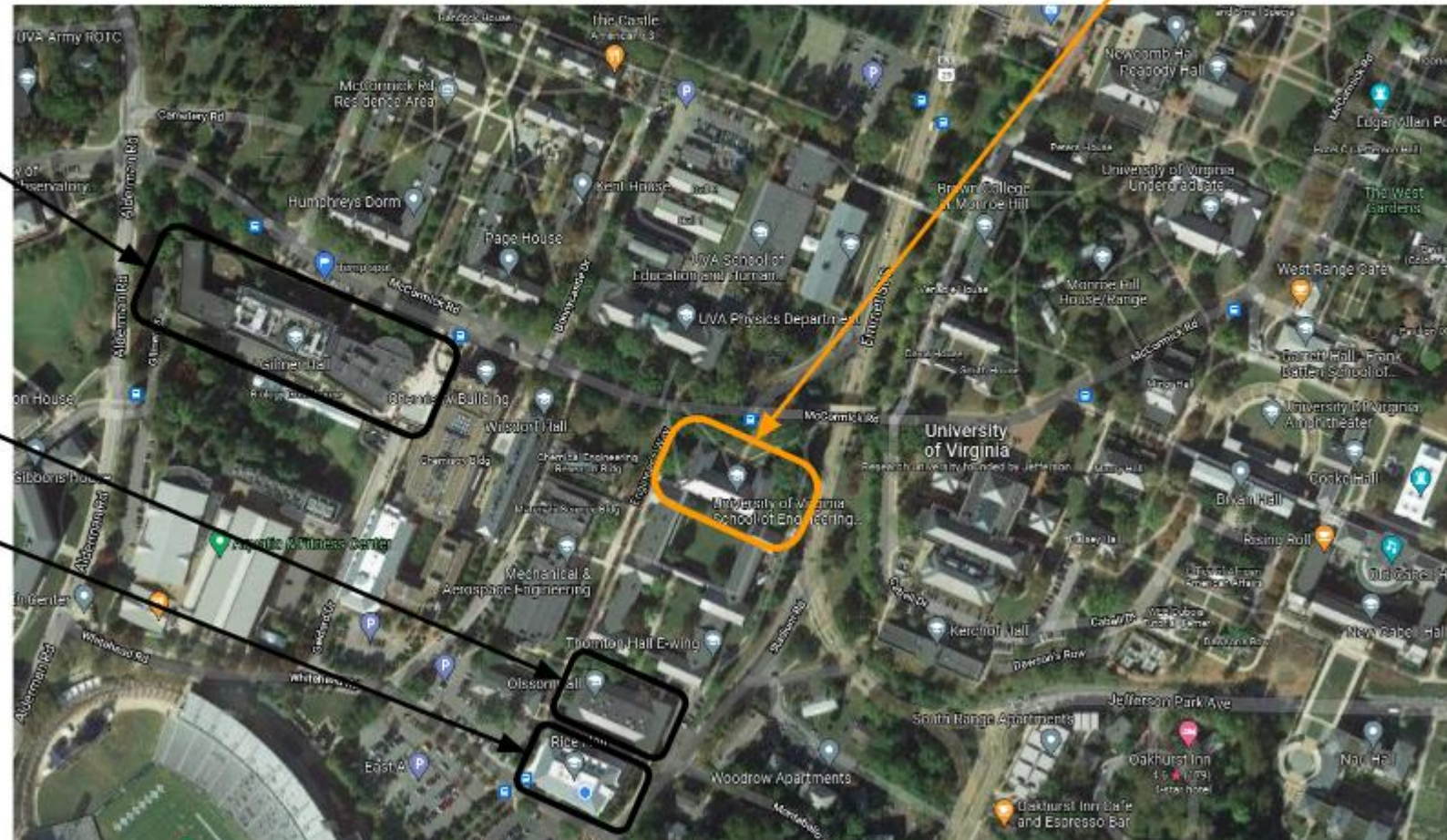
TA Office Hours: Thornton Stacks (e.g., Ask on Piazza or ask in class)

Gilmer Hall

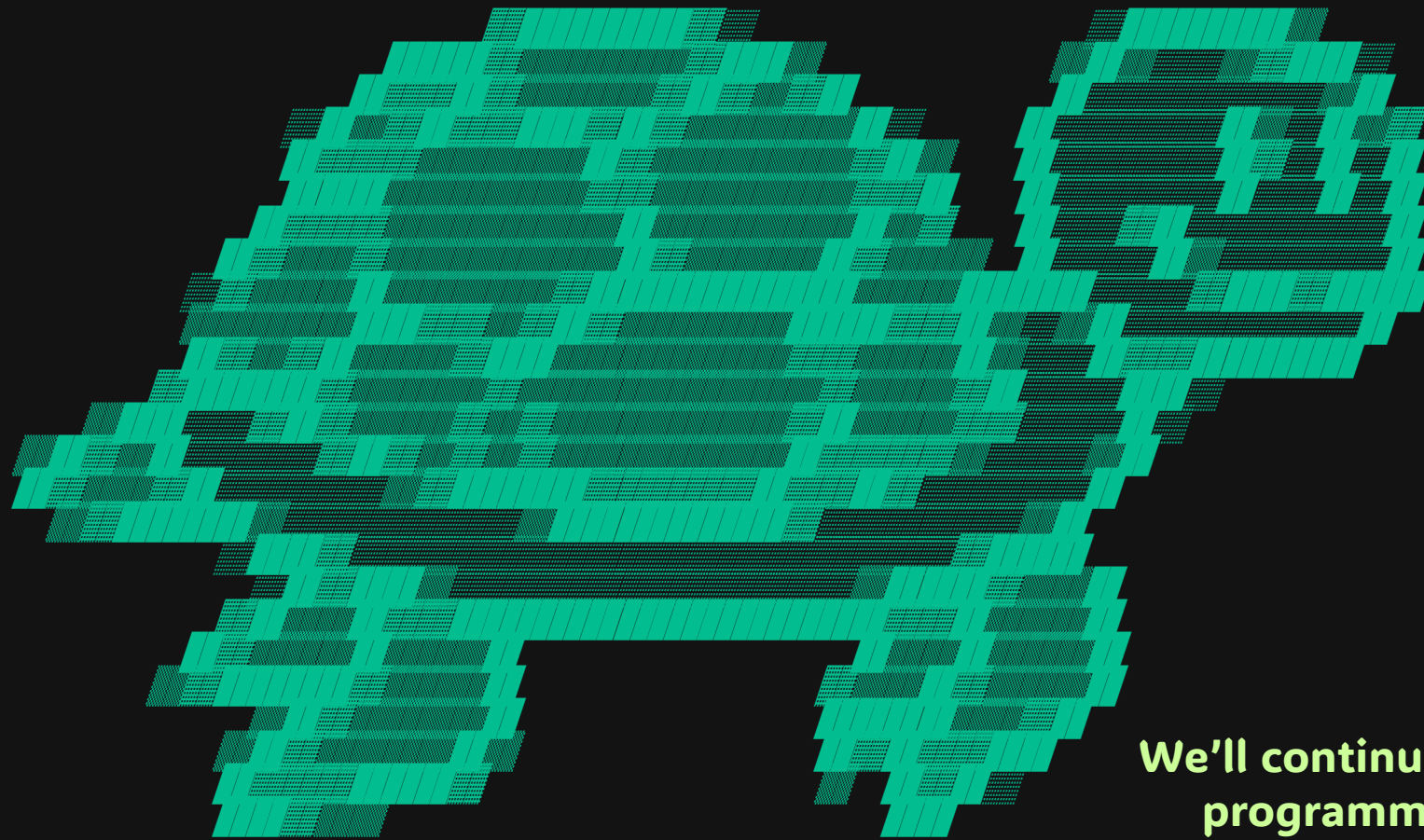
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Thornton A



Python Library: “turtle”



**Hi, I'm Tabitha the
turtle!**

**Believe it or not,
Python has a pre-
installed Python library
called “turtle” that
enables users to create
pictures and shapes by
providing them with a
virtual canvas.**

**We'll continue to learn about basic Python
programming concepts through turtles!**

Learning the “turtle” Library

Need to **import** the
turtle library first!
(*First line of code*)

```
import turtle
```

Next, you need
to create a
turtle to work
with. (*Create a
new turtle on
the canvas.*)

Need to call the *constructor* method of the
class Turtle. We’re building a turtle and
associating that *instance* with a variable
(**toni**, in this case).

```
toni = turtle.Turtle()
```



Learning the “turtle” Library



As default, the cursor/turtle faces to the **RIGHT**

Aren't I
cute? 😊



We can choose the **shape** of the cursor to look like one of several different shapes.

We'll use the **“shape”** method

“square”
“turtle”
“arrow”
“circle”
“triangle”
“classic”



We apply the shape function on the turtle instance, **toni**, to make the cursor look like a little turtle. We can use the **“color”** function to change the color of the **cursor** AND the color of the **line** that is drawn.

```
toni.shape(“turtle”)
toni.color(“green”)
```


Learning the “turtle” Library



Now we have our cute turtle cursor, how do we draw and move around?

We can change the speed at which we draw:

```
toni.speed("slow")
```

We can move forward by a certain number of pixels:

```
toni.forward(300)
```

We can move backward by a certain number of pixels:

```
toni.backward(300)
```

Learning the “turtle” Library



We can rotate/pivot to a new direction before moving:

```
toni.left(90) # rotate left 90 degrees
```

```
toni.right(90) # rotate right 90 degrees
```

We can go to specified coordinates:

```
toni.goto(x, y) # moves in a straight line to x, y
```

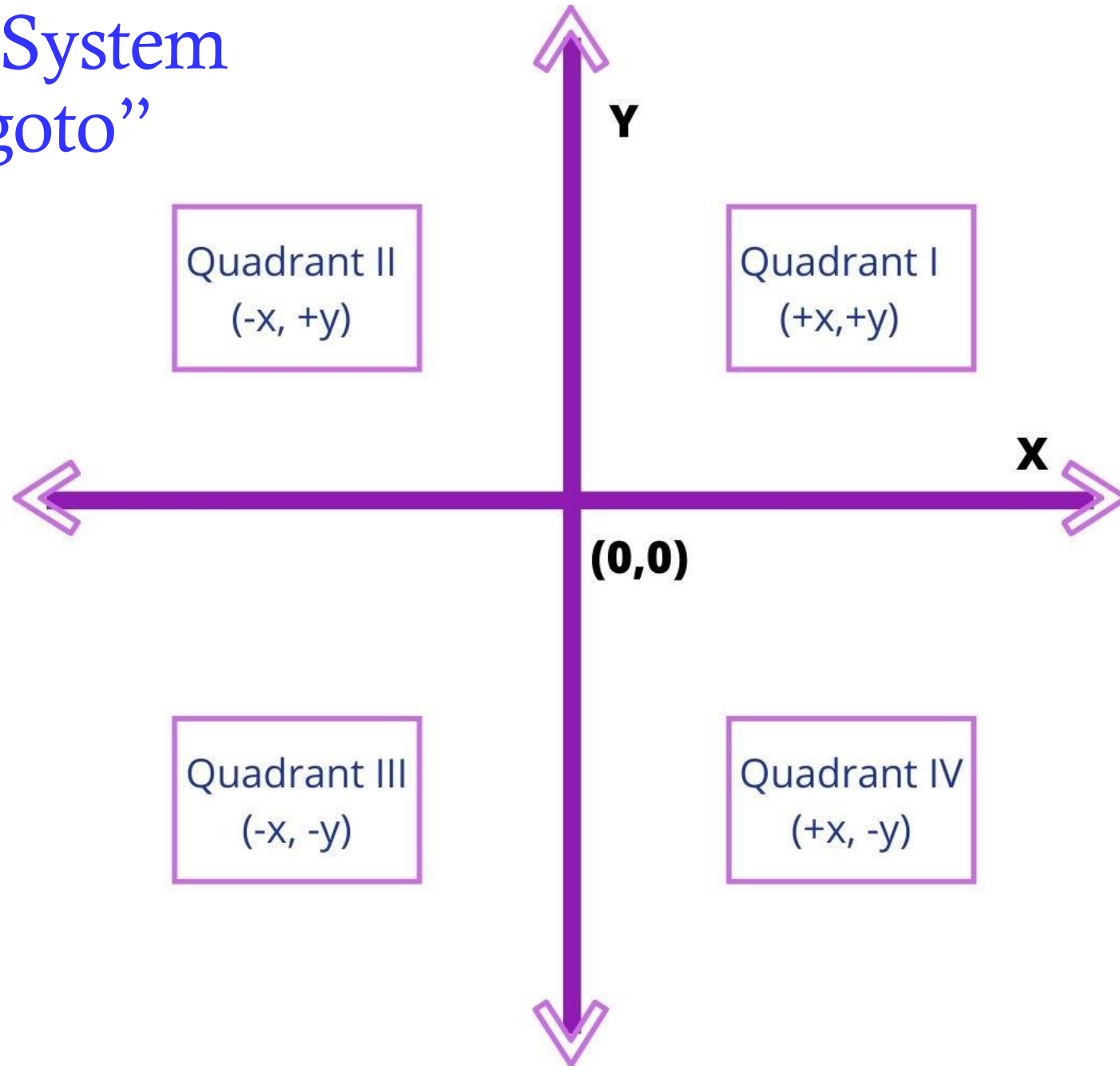
We can pick up (no drawing) or put down the pen (draw):

```
toni.penup() # pick up the pen (can use with goto(x,y) )
```

```
toni.pendown() # put down the pen, will draw again
```


Coordinate System

For turtle “goto”



Learning the “turtle” Library

```
turtle.done()
```

When you are done, you must include this as the **last line** of your code!

It signals that drawing onto the turtle canvas is complete, and the window is ready to close. Not associated with your turtle reference (**not**: `toni.done()`)

Turtles can now rest :-)





PYTHON DEMONSTRATION

Let's jump on PyCharm!

`intro_turtles.py`

`turtle_polygons.py`

Activity on Turtles!



- In **pairs** or groups **up to three** work on the following turtles and pseudocode in-class “lab” activity
- **`turtle_with_pseudocode_ica.py`**
- *Convert the instructions (pseudocode) into Python code, using the turtle library!*

*Remember to **check-in** with a TA before leaving class today!*

In-Class “lab” Activity!

Notes/Reminders...

Reminder: CS Laptop Loaner Program

- This course requires students to have a **laptop**
- I realize that not everybody might have one (nor necessarily need one for their desired major / path...)
- If you do not have a laptop for any reason... *not to worry!*
- The CS department's Systems staff has a notebook / laptop loaner program and will be able to loan you a notebook / laptop computer for the duration of the semester if you don't have one or if you cannot afford one.
 - Also available if your laptop is broken and under repair, we can arrange for you to receive a loaner laptop for a week or two until your own laptop is fixed

Interested? Link: https://www.cs.virginia.edu/wiki/doku.php?id=cs_laptop_loaner

I am happy to be your sponsor. Please let me know.

Tools: Piazza

- We will use **Piazza** in the following way:
 - Website: <https://piazza.com/> [Linked through **Canvas**]
 - Piazza is a great tool for asking questions about **course content**, **policies**, or getting help on **homework** assignments
 - While you are waiting for an answer, see if there's an answer you can provide to someone else's question. We're all in this together! **CS is a team sport!** 😊
 - TAs will monitor and answer questions throughout the semester
 - Not a means to help you debug your code! (See more below)

It is very important to remember the following:

- **Do not post complete or partial code solutions (for Homework)** on Piazza when seeking answers to your question unless it is in a **PRIVATE** post
- **Do not post complete or partial quiz solutions (code or short-answer)** when seeking answers to your question unless it is in a **PRIVATE** post

Tools: Gradescope

- We will use **Gradescope** in the following way:
 - Website: <https://www.gradescope.com/>
 - Linked through **Canvas**
 - **Homework assignments** will be **submitted**
 - Most programming assignments are autograded (some are manually graded)
 - Some aspects of programming assignments may be manually graded