COMP421
Unix Environment for Programmers
Lecture 06: Shell scripts continues

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Shell substitution:

- Before executing any command the shell first performs “substitution”.
- Substitution can be very confusing.
Variables are substituted
The presence of a string that begins with $ is considered a variable and
the contents of the variable are substituted for the name.

This is confusing because somethings won’t work as expected.

```bash
$myphrase="hello there"
grep $myphrase targetfile
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actual yields... grep hello there targetfile which will search for
“hello” in the two files there and targetfile.

grep "$myphrase" targetfile would fix this problem