

# Academy



# Introduction round

Name

Job & background

Ambitions

What do you hope to take away from this session?

# Goals of the session

- Understand what Python can be used for
- Be familiar with Python development fundamentals
- Getting some hands-on experience in programming with Python

# Overview + planning

9.30-10.00:

- Overview of Python as a programming language
- Python vs other tools (including excel macros)
- Popular use cases for Python + some examples

10.00-12.30:

- Python fundamentals (using a development environment, writing and running Python scripts, variables and different basic data types, if statements)
- Exercises after every topic & coffee break somewhere in the middle

13.15-15.00:

- More Python fundamentals: writing functions and lists and dictionaries, maybe we can do basic loops here as well

15.15-16.30:

- Slightly more advanced: reading and writing files, libraries, csv library, demo of how python can automate excel tasks
- Small exercises about each topic
- If time allows, a slightly bigger project to end the day with

# What can Python be used for?

Application development

Data analysis / machine learning

(Automation) Scripting

Internet of things

Glue language

# Examples of things you can build

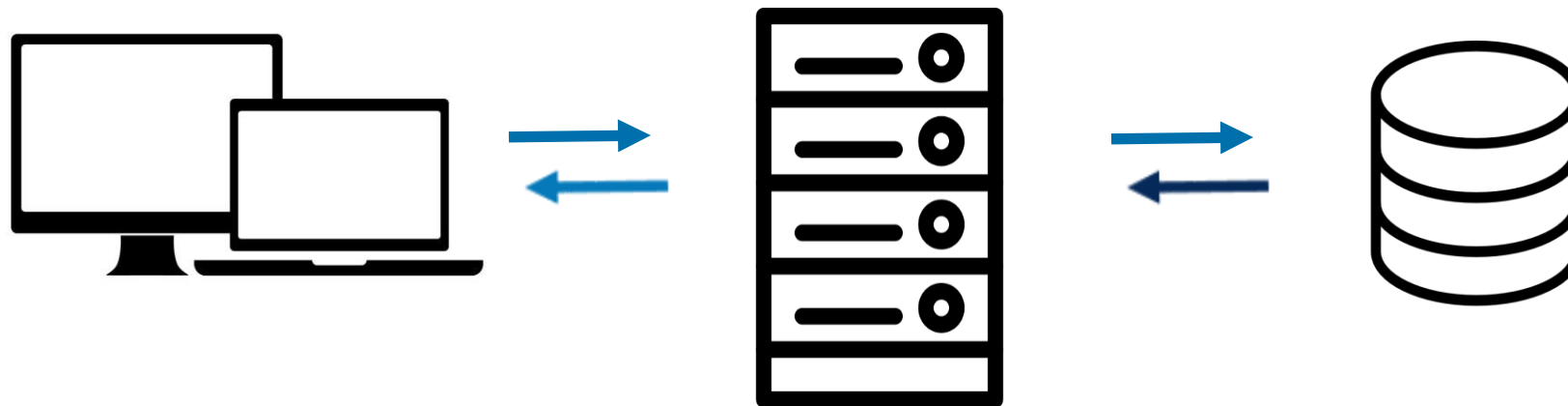
Smart script to determine what's the best route to pick up garbage for a municipality

Website to inform users about possible side effects of medication

Portals where citizens can arrange all sorts of matters with the government

**Can you think of additional examples?**

# Overview of web applications



# Python alternatives

- Excel Macros / VBA
- R
- MATLAB
- SAS
- Julia
- C# with .NET
- Java
- Ruby



# Today's menu: python

Python is a language created by Guido van Rossum at the start of the 1990's. It's Dutch!

Why Python? – it's awesome, easy language to get started with, many many possibilities

What can you build with languages like Python: application development, data analysis / machine learning, (automation) scripting, internet of things, glue language

But why Python? – Because Gemeente Amsterdam uses it a lot

Why hands-on? So that you can get a good grasp of whether programming is something you'd love :) (Since it's the main task of the application developer)

# Python community

One of the strong points of Python is it's community of developers. The main website is Python.org

The screenshot shows the Python.org homepage. At the top left is the Python logo. To its right is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon, a 'GO' button, and links for 'Socialize' and 'Sign In'. Below the header is a navigation menu with links: 'About', 'Downloads', 'Documentation', 'Community', 'Success Stories', 'News', and 'Events'. The main content area features a code snippet on the left and an article on the right. The code snippet is titled '# Python 3: List comprehensions' and shows two examples of list comprehensions. The article is titled 'Compound Data Types' and explains that lists are one of the compound data types in Python, with a link to 'More about lists in Python 3'. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the text 'Python is a programming language that lets you work quickly and integrate systems more effectively. >>> [Learn More](#)'.

```
# Python 3: List comprehensions
>>> fruits = ['Banana', 'Apple', 'Lime']
>>> loud_fruits = [fruit.upper() for fruit in fruits]
>>> print(loud_fruits)
['BANANA', 'APPLE', 'LIME']

# List and the enumerate function
>>> list(enumerate(fruits))
[(0, 'Banana'), (1, 'Apple'), (2, 'Lime')]
```

### Compound Data Types

Lists (known as arrays in other languages) are one of the compound data types that Python understands. Lists can be indexed, sliced and manipulated with other built-in functions. [More about lists in Python 3](#)

1 2 3 4 5

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# Python community

A very important man in this community is Guido van Rossum himself. His title is BDFL (Benevolent Dictator For Life).

- in the end he has to decide about changes and additions.

Changes are proposed in the Python Enhancement Proposals (PEP).

A very well known PEP is PEP8 "The style guide for Python code".

Also PEP20, The Zen of Python, is famous.

- use import this

# Documentation

On Python.org extensive documentation about Python can be found.

## What's new in Python 3.6?

*or all "What's new" documents since 2.0*

## Tutorial

*start here*

## Library Reference

*keep this under your pillow*

## Language Reference

*describes syntax and language elements*

## Python Setup and Usage

*how to use Python on different platforms*

## Python HOWTOs

*in-depth documents on specific topics*

## Installing Python Modules

*installing from the Python Package Index & other sources*

## Distributing Python Modules

*publishing modules for installation by others*

## Extending and Embedding

*tutorial for C/C++ programmers*

## Python/C API

*reference for C/C++ programmers*

## FAQs

*frequently asked questions (with answers!)*

# Python versions

Not all language constructs in the original Python setup were correct and efficient.

Changing them would mean incompatibility with earlier versions.

While Python was in it's 2 series a decision was made to change a number of language constructs and put this changes in the 3 series.

Part of the developer base still use version 2.x because existing tools and platforms are written in 2.x.

Version 2.x is still supported but this will stop in 2020.

In this Python course we are using 3.x.

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Set up development  
environment



# Set up development environment

Step 1: <https://www.python.org/downloads/> to get latest version

Step 2: run .exe you just downloaded

Step 3: <https://www.jetbrains.com/pycharm/download/> get latest version of Pycharm

Run installation

Open Pycharm

# First program!

Open a new file and write: `print("Hello world")`

Run

Check console: does it say "Hello world"?





## Writing and running Python scripts

# Python syntax

Statements are terminated by a line feed.

Multiple lines can be seen as one line by Python with the `\` character.

```
a = b + \  
    c
```

A colon `:` and indentation are used to denote different blocks of code.

```
if a:  
    statement1  
    statement2  
else:  
    statement3
```

# Hands on – code along

No better way to know whether this is something for you than to just try and see whether you enjoy doing it!

Building blocks of theory

Share solutions

- After point 4, who wants to work on their own pace?



## Variables and data types

# Variables

Any element or factor that is liable to change (variation)

For example:  $2x$

$x$  is different in  $2x = 10$  than in  $2x = 12$

So if I say: `greeting = x`

$x$  can be "hello" the one time, and "bye" the other time, depending on the value of  $x$

# Define variable in python

```
naam = 8
```

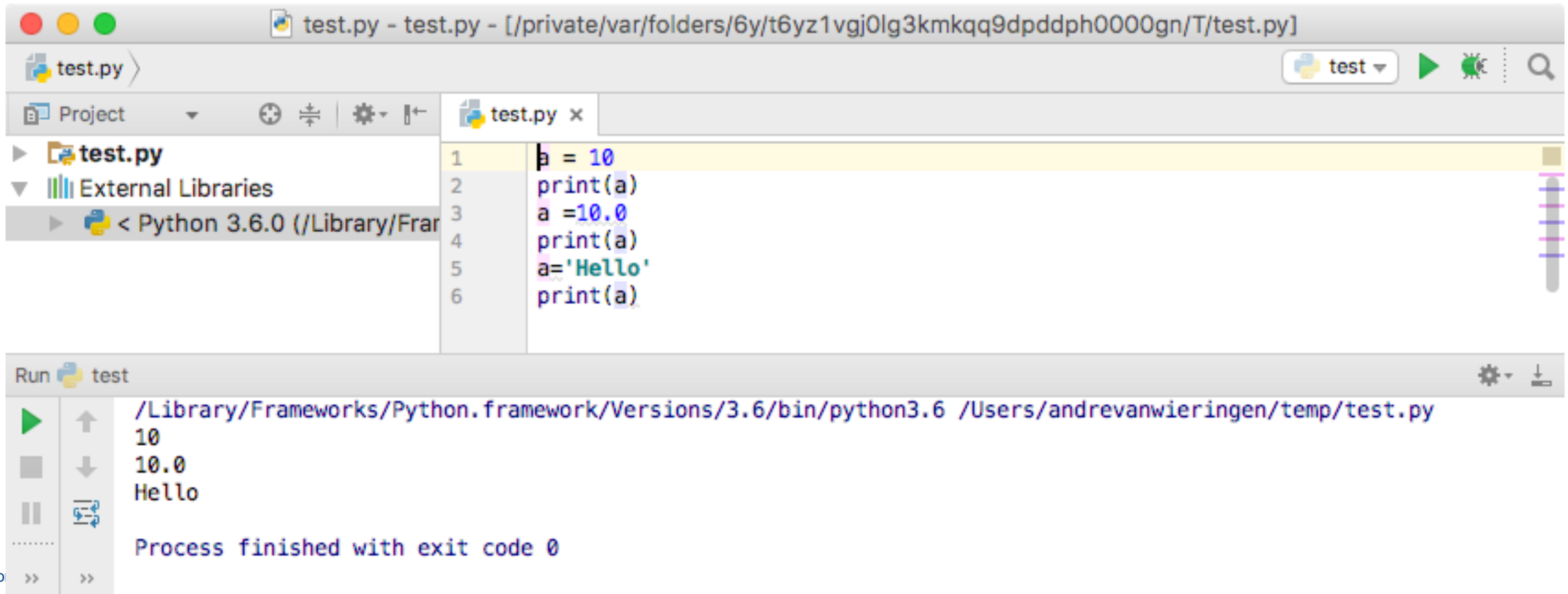
```
naam2 = "Hoi"
```

```
naam3 = 8.5
```

```
naam4 = True
```

# Variables

Python is a dynamically typed language where variable names are bound to different values, possibly of varying types, during program execution.



The screenshot shows an IDE window titled "test.py - test.py - [/private/var/folders/6y/t6yz1vgj0lg3kmkqq9dpddph0000gn/T/test.py]". The editor displays the following code:

```
1 a = 10
2 print(a)
3 a = 10.0
4 print(a)
5 a = 'Hello'
6 print(a)
```

The left sidebar shows a project view with "test.py" and "External Libraries" under "Python 3.6.0 (/Library/Frameworks/Python.framework/Versions/3.6/bin/python3.6)".

The bottom panel shows the execution output for "Run test":

```
/Library/Frameworks/Python.framework/Versions/3.6/bin/python3.6 /Users/andrevanwieringen/temp/test.py
10
10.0
Hello

Process finished with exit code 0
```

# Data types

String

Integer

Float

Boolean

Many more... But not for now 😊



# Boolean

True

False

and

or

not

chaining

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# Operations on data types

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# Exercise

Write a program that takes the lengths of the two sides of a right triangle and calculates the length of the hypotenuse.

# Exercise: operation with data types

Challenge!

I want to do calculations with a time

So if it's 10.00 and I add 61 minutes, the result should be 11.01

Don't use if yet, we didn't discuss it and you don't need it

If you're stuck, chat me for a hint

# Casting

Converting from one data type, to another

`str()`

`int()`

`float()`

And more, but not for now 😊

## Exercise:

Ask the user for two numbers

Add these numbers

Print the calculation you did and the result

Ask the user for two numbers

Divide these numbers

Print the calculation you did and the result

Ask the user for name and highest age (s)he'll have this year

Calculate the year of birth

Print to the console: `*username*` is born in year `*year*`



## If statements

Making decisions



# If elif else

If is used for making decisions

If a certain condition is met, a block of code will be executed

If not, it won't

If no condition is met and there is an else block, the else block will be executed

# example

```
x = int(input('Geef een nr: '))  
if x < 10:  
    print(x, "kleiner dan 10")  
elif x < 20:  
    print(x, "kleiner dan 20, groter of gelijk 10")  
else:  
    print(x, "gelijk of groter 20")
```

## Exercise:

Express each of the following statements using an if block:

- a. If x divided by y is 5, then set x to 100.
- b. If x times y is 5, then set x to 1.
- c. If x is less than y, then double the value of x.
- d. If x is greater than y, then increment the value of x by 1.

## Exercise:

Write a program that prompts the user to enter five test scores between 1 and 10. The program will then count the number of scores that are greater than 7.

Express each of the following statements using an if/else block:

- a. If x times y is 8, then set x to 1; otherwise, set x to 2.
- b. If x is less than y, then double the value of x; otherwise, increment x by 1.
- c. If x is greater than y, then increment both by 1; otherwise, decrement both by 1.

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## Functions

# Python built-in functions

What are functions?

Difference between variable and function

Examples:

`print()`

`input()`

## Exercise:

Write a program that asks that user to enter an article, a noun, and a verb.  
The program then creates a sentence of the form: `*article* *noun* *verb*`.



## Exercise:

Ask the user for his/her favorite color

Save the result in a variable

Ask the user for the first tool that comes to mind

Save the result in a variable

Print to the console: "combining your input I'm getting a \*color\* \*tool\*."

# Write your own functions

Arguments

Return

def

```
def goodmorning(name):  
    print("Goodmorning, " + name + "!!")
```

```
goodmorning("Maaike")
```

# Exercise

Split the game time exercise up in separate functions

Call these functions

# Types of arguments in functions

```
def goodmorning(name, day_name):  
    print("Goodmorning, " + name + " on " + dayname + "!!")
```

Positional:

```
goodmorning("Maaike", "Wednesday")
```

Keyword arguments:

```
goodmorning(day_name="Wednesday", name="Maaike")
```

# optional arguments in functions

```
def goodmorning(name, day_name="this day"):
    print("Goodmorning, " + name + " on " + dayname + "!" )
```

goodmorning("Maaike") → will print: goodmorning, Maaike on this day!

# return

```
def goodmorning(name, day_name="this day"):  
    return "Goodmorning, " + name + " on " + dayname + "!"
```

goodmorning("Maaike") → won't show anything, but returns: goodmorning, Maaike on this day!

# Exercise

Write a function that returns the sum of letters in a name, in which each letter corresponds with its position in the alphabet

# Let's explore

What happens if you send a list to a function, and change the list in the function, but return nothing? Is the list changed everywhere?

What if you want to have a variable number of arguments?

What if you want to have a variable number of key value pairs as arguments?



# Exercise

Change your lyric function to accept many pieces of lyrics

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## Lists, dictionaries and loops

# List

```
["list", "with", "different", "elements", "could", "be", 5, "too"]
```

Empty list: []

Listname[0] >> gets first element from list

Listname[-1] >> gets last element

Listname[-2] >> gets second last element, etc

# Built-in list functions

Length of list = `len(*listname*)`

Add to list: `listname.append("new item")`

Insert at an index: `listname.insert(1, "second item")`

Remove item at index: `listname.pop(1)`

Remove from end: `listname.pop()`

Remove item with value: `listname.remove("second item")`

Sort the list: `listname.sort()`

Reverse the items in a list: `listname.reverse()`

## Exercise:

Create a list with your favorite movies

Create a list with your favorite friends

Create a list with your favorite numbers

## Exercise:

Create a list with your favorite movies

Create a list with your favorite friends

Create a list with your favorite numbers

Get the length of each list

Sort the lists

Remove your least favorite favorite one from each list

Append an alternative

Make sure that the lists are eventually in naturally reversed order (so Z to A and 9 to 0)

# Other functions on lists

Make a new list object of a list that's sorted: `sorted(listname)`

Get the max value: `max(listname)`

Get the min value: `min(listname)`

Get the sum: `sum(listname)`



## Exercise:

From your number list, get the min, max, length and sum

Print all the lists sorted, without actually sorting them

To prove, also print the original list afterwards

## Exercise:

We have a shop with 4 products and their prices:

```
articles = ["Cheese", "Bread", "Coffee", "Wine"]
```

```
prices = [8, 2, 4, 3]
```

Create a program that:

- prints a list of products and asks the user to choose one
- when the user makes a choice, he can enter an amount
- calculate and print the total price for his order

## Bonus exercise:

<https://www.codingame.com/home> choose temperatures

# While

While repeats a code as long as a certain condition is met

Break

Continue

```
while i < 20:  
    i+=1  
    if i == 13:  
        continue  
    print(i)
```

# Exercise

Write a program that asks the user to enter three numbers. The program will then determine and print the largest of the three numbers.

Create an input validation loop that only accepts numbers in the range of 1 through 10.

Write a script that asks the user, "Are you sure you want to quit [Y, N]?" The script then checks the user's input and only accepts the letters Y and N as valid answers.

## Exercise:

Create a while loop for the following:

- Ask the user for a word

- Store this word in a list (use append)

- Print the list

- When the user enters nothing, stop the program

### Deduplication

Change the program so that, every time the user gives a word, you test whether it is already in the list. If it is, you don't add it.

### Lengths

Ask the user to enter 4 words. Put those in a list with append.

After all words have been entered, print:

- The shortest and longest word

- The average length of all words

# For

Loop over elements of an iterable.

```
x = [1, 2, 3]
```

```
for y in x:  
    print(y)
```

# Exercise

Loop over the letters of a string and print them to the console

Create a list that contains the days of the week

Create a list containing the working days of the week

Loop over the elements of the first list and print days that are not in the working days

We haven't seen this yet, but how can you look over the first 5 elements in a list?  
And the last five?



# Range()

Function that returns a sequence of numbers

`range(start, end, step)`

`range(5)` → return numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4

`range(2, 5)` → returns numbers 2, 3, 4

`range(2, 5, 2)` → returns numbers 2, 4

You can use it directly in a for loop

- `for x in range(0, 100, 5):`

# Exercise

Make a list with the numbers 1 to a milion

Sum them and see how fast python can do this

Use `range()` to make a list of 0 to 1000 and use this to create a new list with all these numbers squared

# Dictionary

{}

Key value pairs

```
thisdict = {  
    "brand": "Ford",  
    "model": "Mustang",  
    "year": 1964  
}
```

```
thisdict["year"] = 2018
```

# Loop through Dictionary

```
for x, y in thisdict.items():  
    print(x, y)
```

```
for x in thisdict.values():  
    print(x)
```

```
for x in thisdict.keys():  
    print(x)
```

# Dictionary functions

.items

.keys

.values

.popitem

.pop(key)

.get(key)

# Exercise

Create three dictionaries of your favorite sport players, store some important properties of a sport player, like what sport, name, year (s)he was born, description

Loop over the items in each dictionary, write the content to a file to create mini biographies about each

Create a list with these dictionaries

Loop over the list, and in each iteration, loop over the items in the dictionary and print these to the console

# Game time! – mini project

Write a game that takes a random integer  
And makes the user guess that integer until he guess correctly  
Show higher or lower to help the user get it right

Bonus:

- Keep the nr of guesses
- Collect all the guessed numbers and print them later
- If someone uses less than 5 guesses, print that (s)he's awesome
- Make the program safe for non-numeric input
- Save this data to a file: guesses, nr of guesses, correct number

Bonus bonus:

- Write a script that does the guessing, and log the guesses it did
- Run it 10000 times to get the average nr of guesses
- See if you can optimize the script even further

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## File handling and using libraries

# Modules

A module is just file with Python functions and properties.

You can import a module using the “import” keyword on top of the class

There are many useful standard modules, e.g. math

A module name is the file name without the .py extension

The module name is the value of the global variable `__name__`

## Exercise modules:

Find a module to generate a random integer

Find a module to get the ceiling and floor of x

Play around with turtle module!

# Export your functions in your own modules

We've been writing modules all along! You save them with the extension `.py`  
After that you can import them using the `import` statement

Exercise:

Create a separate `.py` file with a function to print information about a user to a file / console

Import this function to your current file

Call the function

Bonus: how to import not an entire module but only one function?

# Open/read/write files

```
open(name)  
read() or readlines()  
close()
```

```
open(name, "w+")  
write("blabla")  
close()
```

# Exercise

Create a file

Write a little story about the new things you've learnt today

Read from the file and print it to the console

# Csv reading

<https://docs.python.org/3/library/csv.html> on CSV support

Read CSV files with the CSV reader object

Example CSV format:

Name, city, job

# CSV reading Example

```
import csv

with open("data.csv", 'r') as csvfile:
    # Create a reader object
    reader = csv.reader(csvfile)

    # Let's loop over de lines in the file
    for row in reader:
        # row is a list with the fields from a line
        # print city
        print(row[1])
```



# CSV Writing – use CSV writer obj

```
import csv
```

```
data = [["animals", "legs", "wings"],  
        ["dog", 4, 0],  
        ["bird", 2, 2]]
```

```
with open('animals.csv', 'w') as f:  
    writer = csv.writer(f)
```

```
    for l in data:
```

```
        # write a row
```

```
        # please note: the argument for writerow must be a list
```

```
        writer.writerow(data)
```

# Exercise

Imagine we own a cable shop

Create a csv file with our products, prices, and number in stock

You can write to the csv file using a list of our products, list of prices and list of stocks

Try to import your csv in excel

Read the values of your csv and print them to the console per row

# Xml

```
Xml: import xml.dom.minidom
```

In order to parse XML you'll need to have the entire XML object in memory

```
import xml.dom.minidom
```

# Parsing and writing xml Academy

```
def main():
```

```
    # use the parse() function to load and parse an XML file
```

```
    doc = xml.dom.minidom.parse("Myxml.xml");
```

```
    # print out the document node and the name of the first child tag
```

```
    print (doc.nodeName)
```

```
    print (doc.firstChild.tagName)
```

```
    # get a list of XML tags from the document and print each one
```

```
    expertise = doc.getElementsByTagName("expertise")
```

```
    print ("%d expertise:" % expertise.length)
```

```
    for skill in expertise:
```

```
        print (skill.getAttribute("name"))
```

```
    # create a new XML tag and add it into the document
```

```
    newexpertise = doc.createElement("expertise")
```

```
    newexpertise.setAttribute("name", "BigData")
```

```
    doc.firstChild.appendChild(newexpertise)
```

```
    print (" ")
```

```
    expertise = doc.getElementsByTagName("expertise")
```

```
    print ("%d expertise:" % expertise.length)
```

```
    for skill in expertise:
```

```
        print (skill.getAttribute("name"))
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
```

```
    main();
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<employee>
    <fname>Krishna</fname>
    <lname>Rungta</lname>
    <home>London</home>
    <expertise name="SQL"/>
    <expertise name="Python"/>
    <expertise name="Testing"/>
    <expertise name="Business"/>
</employee>
```

```
import json

# Opening JSON file
f = open('example.json', )

# returns JSON object as
# a dictionary
data = json.load(f)

# Iterating through the json
# list
print(data['some']['keys'])

# Closing file
f.close()
```

# How to figure out new stuff?

Gef files

How to find libraries for these purposes?

Go to <https://pypi.org> and search for gef

# GETTING VALUES OUT OF GEF FILE

Pip install pygef

Check documentation: <https://github.com/ritchie46/pygef>

# Exercise: Read gef

Read the GEF

Convert it to CSV

Plot the GEF



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Excel demo

# Python and excel

Multiple libraries

Look through the docs to find details

```
from openpyxl import Workbook
```

```
workbook = Workbook()  
sheet = workbook.active
```

```
sheet['A1'] = 'Using'  
sheet['B1'] = 'Excel!'
```

```
workbook.save(filename='test.xlsx')  
workbook.close()
```

# Create graph in excel

```
import openpyxl
from openpyxl.chart import BarChart, Reference
```

```
wb = openpyxl.Workbook()
sheet = wb.active
for i in range(10):
    sheet.append([i])
```

```
values = Reference(sheet, min_col=1, min_row=1,
                    max_col=1, max_row=10)
```

```
chart = BarChart()
```

```
chart.add_data(values)
```

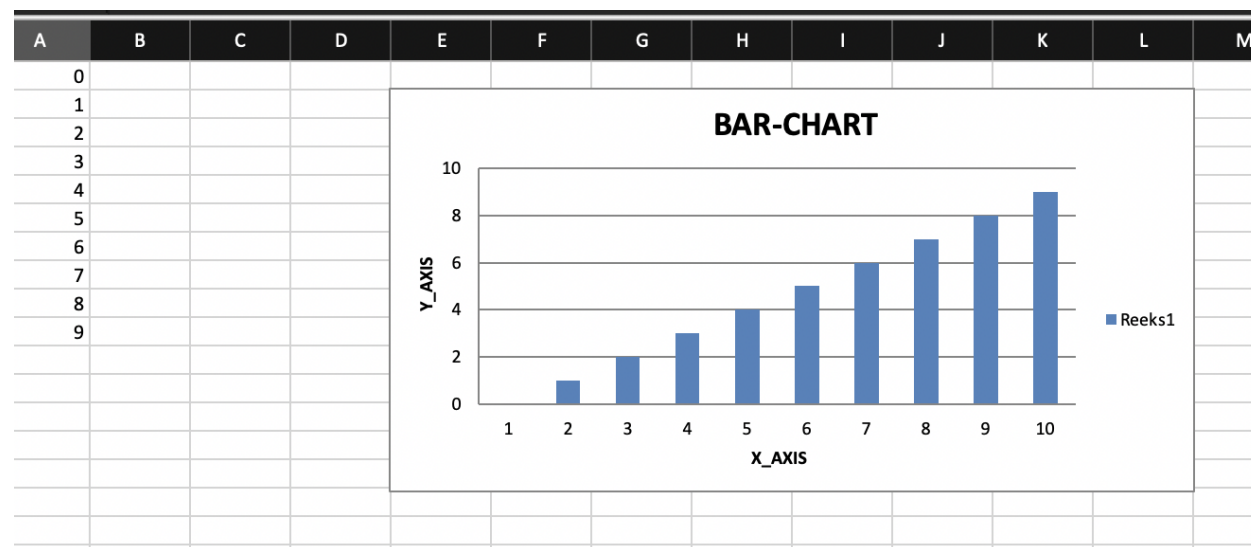
```
chart.title = " BAR-CHART "
```

```
chart.x_axis.title = " X_AXIS "
```

```
chart.y_axis.title = " Y_AXIS "
```

```
sheet.add_chart(chart, "E2")
```

```
wb.save("examplegraph.xlsx")
```



# pandas

Data analysis and processing tool / library

Docs: <https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/>

Tables / tabular data are called DataFrame

Often combined with numpy in order to support large multi dimensional arrays and provides many mathematical functions to work with these multi dimensional arrays

# Let's build an app!

## Simple calculator

But first.. What blocks of logic do we need to build a calculator? <https://www.mentimeter.com/features/word-cloud>.

# How to become proficient in Python

## Many ways.....

- You could do it all by yourself
- But as a beginner it will speed up the process to start with guided education such as training and finally, you'll have solid basic knowledge, and you can continue with self-directed education
- Practice practice practice...
- Ensure that you can apply your knowledge in real life, so get a project or work on one of your own app ideas

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