PDAI Programming & Data Analytics & AI Module 1

Lecture 1: Course Introduction

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Related courses

We also teach related courses to two more Schools of Excellence:

- PhD students of Scuola Superiore Normale, Pisa
- PhD Students in Computer Science of Gran Sasso Science Institute, L'Aquila

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Course References & Material

- Webpage of the course:
 - ★ http://bit.ly/PDAISSSA22_23
 - ▶ Slides and examples from the lectures, further materials and links
 - Weekly coding assignments
- Suggested books:
 - ★ M. Lutz, Learning Python;
 - ★ W. McKinney, Python for Data Analysis.
- Well-done tutorial: https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/
- Software
 - ★ Python: https://www.python.org/
 - ★ Python editor: JupyterLab https://jupyter.org/
 - ★ Setup your machine: http://bit.ly/PDAISSSA22_23

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acquire an understanding of the issues involved in computer programming, to be able to make informed decisions. The student will be able to write simple to medium python programs of various nature, including those for reading, manipulating and visualizing data.

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Learning Objectives

A student who has met the objectives of the course will be able to:

- select and use the correct data types and collections for the problem at hand
- use and describe variables, operations, and control structures (if, loops)
- create and use functions and classes
- use libraries for I/O, data manipulation, and data visualization
- use principles of structured program design and methods
- discuss Python-related issues in a clear and concise way, possibly using on-line platforms

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Evaluation

- Regular coding assignments
 - ★ Available at http://bit.ly/PDAISSSA22_23
 - ▶ Every class comes with a set of related assignments
 - We have built an online framework for automatically testing your code and getting hints
 - ▶ (Soft) deadlines: before the following class
 - ▶ We will try to allocate time at the end of classes to work on them
 - ▶ You will have to send to us your solutions before the exam
 - ★ A fundamental learning tool of this course
- Oral Exam
 - ★ We will do an oral examination
 - starting from your solutions to the assignments
 - ► Another reason for doing your assignments!

★ Date: TBD

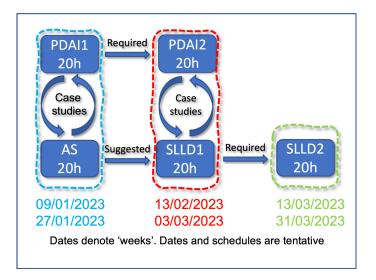
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Tentative Lecture Plan

Class	Day	Date	Time	Topic	Lecturer	Location
1	MON	09/01/23	15:00-17:00	Introduction		Sede centrale, Aula 3
2	TUE	10/01/23	15:30-18:30			Sede centrale, Aula 3
3	FRI	13/01/23	14:00-17:00			Sede centrale, Aula 3
4	TUE	17/01/23	15:30-18:30			Sede centrale, Aula 3
5	FRI	20/01/23	13:30-16:30			Sede centrale, Aula 3
6	TUE	24/01/23	14:00-17:00			Sede centrale, Aula 3
7	MON	30/01/23	14:00-17:00			Sede centrale, Aula 3

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Stats and Computing courses by EMbeDS



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- Previous experience in writing small programs is advantageous
- You will never learn programming if you don't practice it!
 - ★ Therefore you have to regularly do all the assignments

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Ideas for an Effective Course

Live Programming & Assignments

We have blocks of 3 hours.

- First part: Intro to new topics & Live programming
 - ★ No slides
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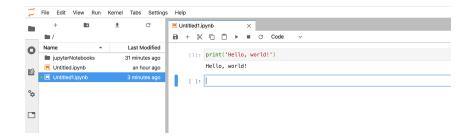
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However, we have the ambitious goal of covering many topics necessary to introduce you to programming and data analytics in just 20 hours. Hence we might skip some second parts.

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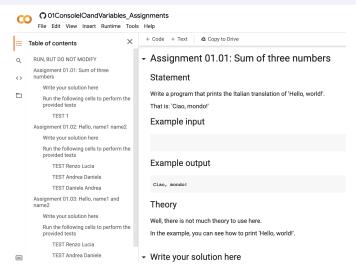
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Assignments on Colab



- Each lecture comes with a set of simple coding assignments
 - ★ Links available in the wiki page for slides and further material

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Colab

- Colab is a Google service similar to Google docs
 - ★ but for python notebooks.
 - ★ no installation required
- Each set of assignments is actually a python notebook
- We implemented in Colab autograding functionalities
 - ★ to test your solution

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Colab: auto-testing

- ▼ Write your solution here
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    #print('Hello, world!')

# Can you change it so that it prints the same,
    #but in Italian?

print('Ciao, mondo')

#You can test independently your solution by executing the following line
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▼ Run the following cells to perform the provided tests

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Test []
The program prints 1 lines as expected.

Line 0
Test FAILED
Expected: Ciao, mondo!
Actual : Ciao, mondo
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TEST 1

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Expected and actual output match: Ciao, mondol
Test PASSED!
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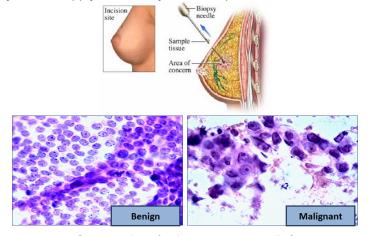
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Starting from the competences developed in the first module, we will study how to apply data analysis techniques from Machine learning



Can we classify them automatically?

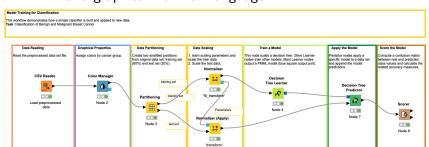
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We will go through a classic pipeline for these data analysis tasks

with emphasis on data pre-processing.

We will use two alternative approaches

- Python: main focus
- Knime: a graphical workflow language

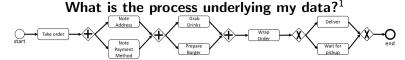


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Further advanced research-oriented topics of data-driven analysis like Process Mining

- 1. Lucy takes your order
- 2. Lucv notes down your address
- 3. Lucy notes down your preferred payment method
- 4. **Luigi** prepares your burger
- 5. Lucy grabs your can of soda
- 6. **Luigi** puts your burger in a box
- 7. Lucy wraps your order
- 8. Mike delivers your order

- 1. Randy takes your order
- 2. Randy notes down your preferred payment method
- 3. Randy notes down your address
- 4. Luigi prepares your burger
- 5. **Luigi** puts your burger in a box
- 6. Randy wraps your order
- 7. John delivers your order



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¹Example from https://pm4py.fit.fraunhofer.de/

Evaluation

You will do the same on data of interest or on data on titanic sinking

- Would you have survived the sinking of the titanic?
- Alternatively: bring your own data of interest!

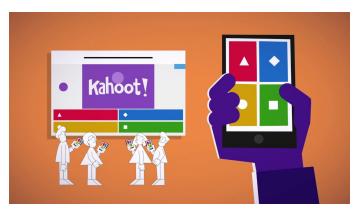
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Let's play a game on Kahoot!



- Using your smartphone or a second monitor
- Visit www.kahoot.it.
- Type the code we will give you during the class

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What is a program?

- A sequence of code instructions to control a machine
 - ★ Input/output
 - ★ Mathematical operations
 - ★ Conditional and repetitive executions
- A recipe to instruct a machine to execute instructions.
 - ★ We can't use a natural language.
 - ★ We need a programming language

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Programming languages





http://www.codingdojo.com/blog/the-7-most-in-demand-programming-languages-of-2019

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Programming languages

https://www.tiobe.com/tiobe-index/

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4	4		C++	7.81%	+1.69%
5	5		C#	4.41%	+0.12%

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The Python Programming language



- High-level: almost human readable. Abstracts from hardware
- Beginner-friendly:
 - ★ streamlined syntax
 - ★ it is easy to write your first programs
- Free, open-source and multi-platform
- Developed since the 90s, therefore it has
 - ★ A wide community, and its popularity keeps increasing
 - ★ Many predefined software modules

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Python programs

- A sequence of python instructions to control a machine
- Python supports the most common programming styles
 - ★ Imperative: Statements are executed in sequence changing the state of the program (the variables)
 - ★ Procedural: The program is structured in reusable units named functions
 - ★ Object-oriented: The program is structured as a collection of interacting objects that send messages to each other.
 - ★ Functional: Statements are not written/executed as an ordered sequence of instructions. A computation is treated as the evaluation of a mathematical function.

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Variables

Basic abstraction to represent units of data

A variable has a name and a value

Names can contain any letter, number, or the underscore



Note:

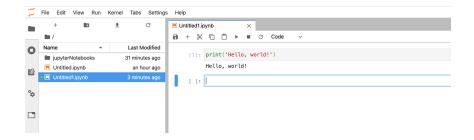
- ★ Cannot start with numbers
- ★ Cannot be a keyword
- ★ Names are case-sensitive
- We assign/update values to variables using assignment statements

```
month_number=3
month_name="April"
print("The number of",month_name,"is",month_number)
month_number=4
print("The number of",month_name,"is",month_number)
```

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Configure your machine

If you have not done it yet

Follow the instructions in http://bit.ly/PDAISSSA22_23

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"But it works ..."



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"Can You Learn To Ski Without Lessons?"



https://www.skibro.com/blog/en/can-you-learn-to-ski-without-lessons/

Most of the times you get to the valley. The problem is how you get there ...

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