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PREREQUISITES - SOFTWARE

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Note: The release you are looking at is **Python 3.7.0**, the initial **feature release** for the legacy **3.7** series which is now in the **security fix** phase of its life cycle. See the <u>downloads page</u> for currently supported versions of Python and for the most recent source-only **security fix** release for 3.7. The final **bugfix release** with binary installers for 3.7 was <u>3.7.9</u>. Among the major new features in Python 3.7 are:

- PEP 539, new C API for thread-local storage
- PEP 545, Python documentation translations
- New documentation translations: Japanese, French, and Korean.
- PEP 552, Deterministic pyc files
- PEP 553, Built-in breakpoint()
- PEP 557, Data Classes
- PEP 560, Core support for typing module and generic types
- PEP 562, Customization of access to module attributes
- PEP 563, Postponed evaluation of annotations
- PEP 564, Time functions with nanosecond resolution
- PEP 565, Improved DeprecationWarning handling
- PEP 567, Context Variables
- Avoiding the use of ASCII as a default text encoding (<u>PEP 538</u>, legacy C locale coercion and <u>PEP 540</u>, forced UTF-8 runtime mode)
- The insertion-order preservation nature of dict objects is now an official part of the Python language spec. Notable performance improvements in many areas.

