

Introduction to Python 3

We conclude with an introduction to Python 3.

- Look over and try some examples from <https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/>
- In particular, it is useful to peruse and try out, from <https://docs.python.org/3/library/index.html#library-index>, the following:

- Built-in Functions
- Built-in Constants
- Built-in Types

* The principal built-in types are: numerics, sequences, mappings, classes, instances and exceptions. Of these, you will most likely not have to worry about classes, instances and exceptions. The code you will need for this course will be quite straightforward.

- You can of course install Python 3 on your personal device. Also, Python 3 is installed on eceUbuntu. As a student in ECE, you should already have an account on eceUbuntu. If you are on campus, you should be able to simply `ssh eceUbuntu`. If you are off campus, you can either install the campus VPN:

```
https://uwaterloo.ca/information-systems-technology/
services/virtual-private-network-vpn
```

Or first `ssh ecolinux4.uwaterloo.ca` and then immediately, `ssh -X eceUbuntu` as the instructions say.

- It is useful to do the following. Better yet, add it to your `.bashrc` file.

```
[alice@ecetesla2 ~]$ alias python='/usr/bin/python3'
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- Example python code on Learn:

- `ask.py`, and,
- `romandecimal.py`, `romandecimalsolution.py`, `tester-rnstringtodec.py`