Intro to Python

Course overview, Introduction

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Repository with course material

https://github.com/Majid-Sohrabi/2025_Python_Cognitive

Course content

- Introduction into Python (Syntax)
  - Intro to Anaconda, Jupyter Notebook, and other similar environments
  - Data types: integers and strings. Input and output. Strings formatting
  - Data types: floating-point numbers and boolean. Logical operators. Conditionals
  - Different types of loops
  - Data types: lists and tuples. For loop
  - Methods I (Strings)
  - Methods II (Lists)
  - Data types: sets and dictionaries
  - Nested Structures
  - Functions
  - Working with files in Python
  - Python and data science
  - Introduction to MNE-Python tools

Overview

- Compulsory course for year 1
- Cognitive Sciences and Technologies: From Neuron to Cognition
- Duration: 2nd half of the academic year (modules 3 and 4)
- Assessment elements:
  - Homework assignments (30% weight)
  - Midterm exam (35% weight) - End of 3rd module
  - Final exam (35% weight) - End of 4th module
- Format: Offline (all seminars)

The formula

$$\text{Final grade} = 0.3 \cdot \text{Homework score} + 0.35 \cdot \text{Midterm exam} + 0.35 \cdot \text{Final exam}$$

$$0 \leq \text{Exam score} \leq 10$$

$$0 \leq \text{Homework score} \leq 10$$

Rounding to the closest integer

Homework

- Small set of tasks (jupyter notebooks)
- Solve tasks to earn points
- Deadline: 1 week per homework
- Homework grade $= 10 \cdot \min\left(1, \frac{\sum \text{points}}{\text{total}}\right)$
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Exam

- Consists of several programming tasks
  - Format: offline
  - Jupyter notebook
  - The exam time will be announced
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Thank you!

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Exercise

- 1) Find the maximum element in the following sequence:
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- 2) Find the minimum element in the following sequence:
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- 3) Sort the elements in the following sequence in ascending format:
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- 4) Sort the elements in the following sequence in descending format:
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- 5) Calculate the average of elements for the following sequence:
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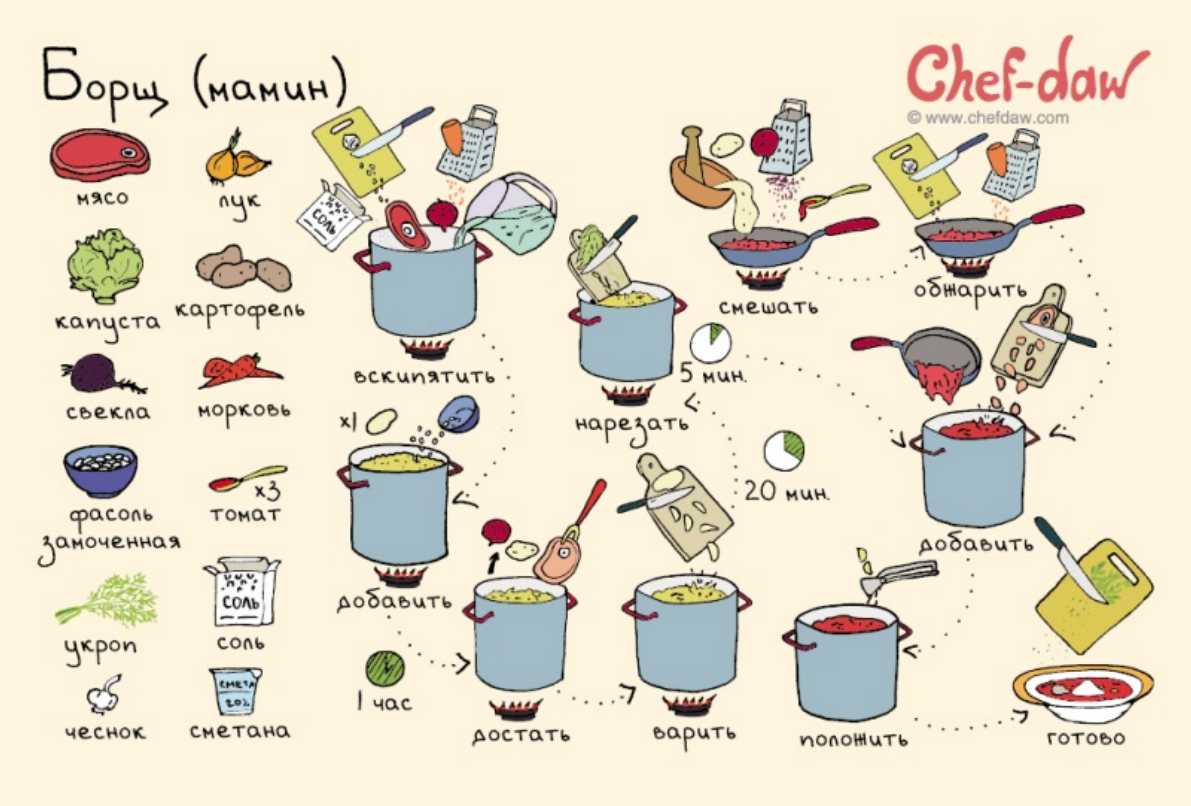
What does programming look like?

Why do we need languages?



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4. Check that our code works properly