

Run Python in the Web Browser

1. downloading and installing python
2. many different environments

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1. an environment in the browser, just go ahead and write some code.
 2. write web applications 100% in Python
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Works how?

Python compiled
to JavaScript



Transcrypt

brython

SKULPT

Python runtime
in browser



Batavia

PyPy.js

Pyodide 🐍

Ahead-of-time

On page load

After page load

Compiled when?

Y-axis : **How is the Python being run by the browser?**

translate the Python code to Javascript and then run that

implement a Python interpreter in the browser and pass your Python through it

X-axis **When does the Python get compiled?**

compile ahead-of-time

on the page load

after the page has loaded

1. Transcrypt: compiling ahead-of-time

[Transcrypt](#) is a compiler that translates Python into JavaScript ahead-of-time.

<https://github.com/QQuick/Transcrypt>

<https://transcrypt.org/docs/html/index.html>

Python 3.7 to JavaScript compiler

- Precompiled into highly readable, efficient JavaScript, downloads kB's rather than MB's
- Generates JavaScript for humans
- Also runs on top of node.js

pip install transcrypt

transcrypt -n hello.py

http-server

2. Brython: Python script tags

Brython is a compiler that's written in JavaScript

<https://github.com/brython-dev/brython>

Brython (Browser Python) is an implementation of Python 3 running in the browser

To use Brython, all there is to do is:

1. Load the script [brython.js](#).
2. Run the function `brython()` on page load, like `<body onload="brython()">`.
3. Write Python code inside tags `<script type="text/python">`.

```
1 <head>
2     <script type="text/javascript"
3     src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/brython/3.7.5/brython.min.js">
4     </script>
5 </head>
6
7 <body onload=brython()>
8     <script type="text/python">
9     from browser import document, alert
10    def greet(event):
11        alert("Hello " + document["name-box"].value + "!")
12        document["greet-button"].bind("click", greet)
13    </script>
14
15    <input id="name-box" placeholder="Enter your name">
16    <button id="greet-button">Say Hello</button>
17 </body>
```

3. Skulpt: interactive Python in the browser

<https://github.com/skulpt/skulpt>

Skulpt is a Javascript implementation of the Python programming language

Skulpt was originally written for education, to provide an interactive Python environment in the browser.

```
1 <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/skulpt@1.2.0/dist/skulpt.min.js">
  </script>
2 <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/skulpt@1.2.0/dist/skulpt-stdlib.js"
  type="text/javascript"></script>
```

```
1 <script type="text/javascript">
2 // output functions are configurable. This one just appends some text
3 // to a pre element.
4 function outf(text) {
5     var mypre = document.getElementById("output");
6     mypre.innerHTML = mypre.innerHTML + text;
7 }
8 function builtinRead(x) {
9     if (Sk.builtinFiles === undefined || Sk.builtinFiles["files"][x] ===
    undefined)
10         throw "File not found: '" + x + "'";
11     return Sk.builtinFiles["files"][x];
12 }
13
14 // Here's everything you need to run a python program in skulpt
15 // grab the code from your textarea
16 // get a reference to your pre element for output
17 // configure the output function
18 // call Sk.importMainWithBody()
19 function runit() {
20     var prog = document.getElementById("yourcode").value;
21     var mypre = document.getElementById("output");
22     mypre.innerHTML = '';
23     Sk.pre = "output";
24     Sk.configure({output:outf, read:builtinRead});
25     var myPromise = Sk.misceval.asyncToPromise(function() {
26         return Sk.importMainWithBody("<stdin>", false, prog, true);
27     });
28 }
```

4. PyPy.js: a full Python interpreter in your web browser

<https://github.com/pypyjs/pypyjs>

PyPy. Compiled into JavaScript. JIT-compiling to JavaScript at runtime.

recompiled [PyPy](#) to JavaScript using [emscripten](#)

built a just-in-time Python-to-JavaScript compiler for compiling commonly-used code

```
1 <script src="./pypyjs.js"></script>
```

```
1 <script type="text/javascript">
2   pypyjs.exec(
3     // Run some Python
4     'y = [x**2. for x in range(10)]'
5   ).then(function() {
6     // Transfer the value of y from Python to JavaScript
7     return pypyjs.get('y');
8   }).then(function(result) {
9     // Display an alert box with the value of y in it
10    alert(result);
11  });
12 </script>
```

5. Batavia: A lightweight bytecode interpreter

<https://github.com/beeware/batavia>

A JavaScript implementation of the Python virtual machine.

<https://batavia.readthedocs.io/en/latest/tutorial/index.html>

The idea behind Batavia is to take Python bytecode, and ship it to a browser where it runs in a JavaScript implementation of the Python virtual machine.

```
1 cd testserver
2 pip install -r requirements.txt
3 ./manage.py runserver
4 http://localhost:8000
```

```
1 <script id="batavia-customcode" type="application/python-bytecode">
```

```

2 7gwNckIUE1cWAAAA4wAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAIAAABAAAAAcw4AAAB1AABkAACDAQABZAEAUykCegtI
3 ZWxsbyBXb3JsZE4pAdoFcHJpbnSpAHICAAAAcgIAAAD6PC92YXVZm9sZGVycy85cC9uenY0MGxf
4 OTc0ZGRocDFoZnJjY2JwdzgwMDAwZ24vVC90bXB4amMzZXJydoIPG1vZHVzZT4BAAAAcwAAAAA=
5 </script>

```

6. Pyodide: Like a Jupyter Notebook in your web browser

<https://github.com/pyodide/pyodide>

Pyodide is a Python distribution for the browser and Node.js based on WebAssembly

Pyodide is a port of CPython to WebAssembly/[Emscripten](#).

many general-purpose packages : scientific Python packages including NumPy, pandas, SciPy, Matplotlib, and scikit-learn.

a full environment, a bit like a Jupyter Notebook, but it runs entirely in your browser. data science pipelines fully in the client

Pyodide comes with a robust Javascript \Leftrightarrow Python foreign function interface so that you can freely mix these two languages in your code with minimal friction.

<https://alpha.iodide.io/notebooks/300/>

```

1 <html>
2   <head>
3     <script src="
4       https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/pyodide/v0.20.0/full/pyodide.js
5     "></script>
6   </head>
7   <body>
8     Pyodide test page <br>
9     Open your browser console to see Pyodide output
10    <script type="text/javascript">
11      async function main(){
12        let pyodide = await loadPyodide();
13        console.log(pyodide.runPython(`
14          import sys
15          sys.version
16          `));
17        console.log(pyodide.runPython("print(1 + 2)"));
18      }

```

```

17     main();
18     </script>
19 </body>
20 </html>

```

System	When compiled	How Python is run	Extra features	Typical use case	Built-in DOM manipulation	Size of download
Transcrypt	Ahead-of-time	Transpiled to JS		Replacement for JS	Yes	42 kB
Brython	On page load	Transpiled to JS		Replacement for JS	Yes	152 kB
Skulpt	Just-in-time	Transpiled to JS		Python environment in browser	No	130 kB (intepreter) + 150 kB (stdlib)
PyPy.js	Just-in-time	PyPy interpreter in JavaScript	Multiple interpreters, virtual filesystem, calling JavaScript from Python	Python environment in browser	Yes	12 MB
Batavia	Ahead-of-time	Custom bytecode interpreter in JavaScript		Python environment in browser	Yes	400 kB
Pyodide	Just-in-time	CPython interpreter in WebAssembly	NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, Matplotlib	Data science pipelines in browser	Yes	~10MB, more if you're using the libraries

<https://anvil.works/blog/python-in-the-browser-talk>

<https://github.com/Michael8968/python-browser>

<https://stromberg.dnsalias.org/~strombrg/pybrowser/python-browser.html>