

Introductory Programming using Python

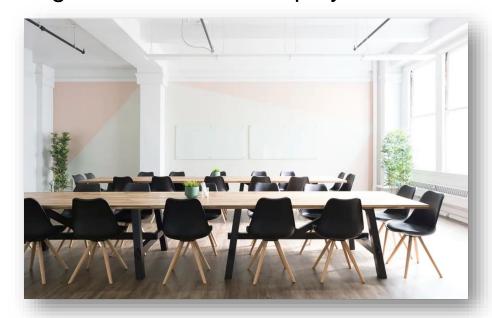
Day 2

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Welcome and admin matters

- Please ensure that:
 - your attendance has been captured (via QR code scanning)
 - you have a learning laptop with you
 - you have a good view on the display

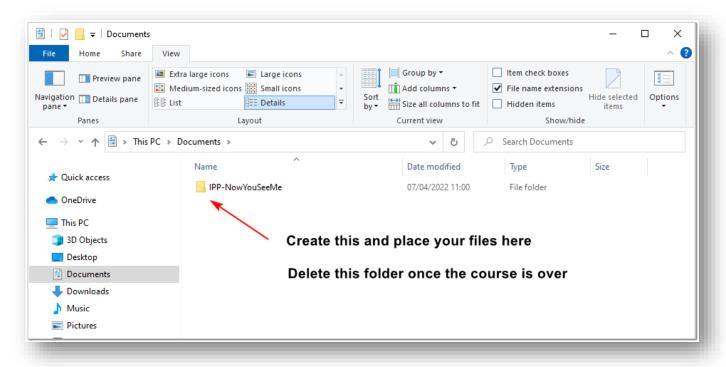


Course material is also available at https://bit.ly/IPP-MHA



Welcome and admin matters

- A tidy/clean laptop is a good laptop for learning
- Created files on the laptop will linger on. To prevent this:
 - Create a folder in the "Documents" location for this workshop
 - E.g. "IPP-Alan" or "IPP-PeterPan"
 - All user created files to be placed in this folder
 - Delete that folder after the course





Overview: Day Two

Morning	Afternoon
 String functions 	 Working with Excel
 String formatting 	 Connecting to the Web
 Dictionary 	 Demo: Sending Emails
 Read and writing files 	(outlook)
 Copying, moving and 	
deleting files and folders	



String functions

Split

```
>>> a='python or java'
>>> b=a.split(' ')
>>> type(b)
<type 'list'>
>>> b
['python', 'or', 'java']
>>>
```

```
>>> a='python or java'
>>> b=a.split('on')
>>> b
['pyth', ' or java']
>>>
```

Join

```
>>> a=['python','and','java']
>>> b=' '.join(a)
>>> b
'python and java'
>>> c=','.join(a)
>>> c
'python, and, java'
>>>
```



String Slicing

```
>>> s = "freedom"
>>> print(s[:4])
free
>>> print(s[-3:])
dom
>>> |
```

- Slicing works for any sequence (e.g. list), so it works for strings too.
 - [:4] gets from the start till the fourth character
 - [-3:] gets the last third till the last character



split or slice?



- Walkthrough on the following use case:
 - Extract the digit part of a Singapore NRIC number
 - Extract the user id from an email address
- Let's solve it together



Exercise – Find Longest Word

 Create the function findLongestWord that takes in a sentence and returns the longest word.

Hint: Use split(), repetitions





Strings – Useful functions

Useful functions for validations

- String.isupper() Returns True if all characters in String are in uppercase.
- *String*.islower() Returns True if all characters in *String* are in lowercase.
- *String*.isalpha() Returns True if *String* contains alphabets only.
- String.isdigit() Returns True if all characters in String are numbers only.
- len(String) Returns the total number of characters (including spaces) in String
- String.count(text) Returns the number of times text appears in String.
- String.startswith(text) Returns True if String starts with text.
- *String*.endswith(*text*) Returns True if *String* ends with *text*.

Useful functions for manipulations

- String.upper() Returns a String with all characters in the original String converted to uppercase
- String.lower() Returns a String with all characters in the original String converted to uppercase
- String.replace(x, y) Returns a String with all occurrences of x in the original String replaced with y



String formatting

Formatting numbers

- %d int
- %f float

More about string formatting technique can be found here:

http://docs.python.org/library/stdtypes.html

Special formatting

- %.2f
- %+d sign printing (+) %+f e.g. +5.6

```
>>> import math
                        >>> print("Pi is " + str(math.pi))
                        Pi is 3.141592653589793
float two decimal places >>> print("Pi is approx %.2f"%(math.pi))
                        Pi is approx 3.14
                        >>> print("Pos or Neg: %+d %+d"%(-5,3))
                        Pos or Neg: -5 +3
                        >>>
```

Formatting Strings

- %15s reserve 15 characters for string, right-justified
- %-15s reserve 15 characters for string, left-justified

In the earlier exercise on temperature_calculator.py, the output can be rewritten as:

```
print(name +"'s temperature is " + str(diff_from_369) + " degree from 36.9 degree celsius")
print("%s's temperature is %.2f degree from 36.9 degree celsius"%(name, diff from 369))
```



Exercise – String formatting (1)

- Try this out yourself!
 - Open string-format1.py
 - Change the values for the value line
 - Execute and observe the effect

```
>>> import math
>>> a = math.pi
>>> a
3.141592653589793
>>> b=5
>>> c="python"
>>> line="%s %f %d"%(c,a,b)
>>> line
'python 3.141593 5'
```

```
>>> line="%03d"%(b)
>>> line
'005'
```







Exercise – String formatting (2)

Given the variable

x = "admin:\$E*G\$@R:/users/root:"

Write a program to display the following output:

User : admin

Password : \$E*G\$@R Homedir : /users/root





Python Dictionary

```
dictionary = {'a':1,'p':1,'r':2,'t':1,'o':1}
```

- A dictionary stores multiple key-value pairs
- Each key-value pair are separated by a colon (:)
- Every key is unique; no duplicate key within a dictionary
- A dictionary uses a set of curly brackets { } to store its keyvalue pairs
 - Contrast with a Python list that uses square brackets []
- To access a value in the dictionary, we use the key as an index
 - e.g. print(dictionary["r"] displays value of 2



Python Dictionary

You can add, edit and delete elements from a dictionary

```
# create dictionary with some elements
members = {'mary': 18, 'alan': 20, 'peter': 21}
# add element
                                 Key "john" NOT IN the members
members['john'] = 20 <
                                 dict. This ADDS the key "john"
                                 and value 20 pair
# edit element
members['mary'] = 25
                                 Key "mary" IS IN the members
                                 dict. This EDITS the value of key
# delete element
                                  "mary"
del members['alan']
# get number of element
print(len(members))
# display all the elements
print(members)
```



Python Dictionary

- We can traverse and iterate over a dictionary using for loop
 - e.g. assume members contain name (key) and age (value)
 To calculate the average age:



Exercise – Dictionary Operations

Create a dictionary with the following key:value pairs

"alan": 80001234

"mary": 90004567

"peter": 61234567

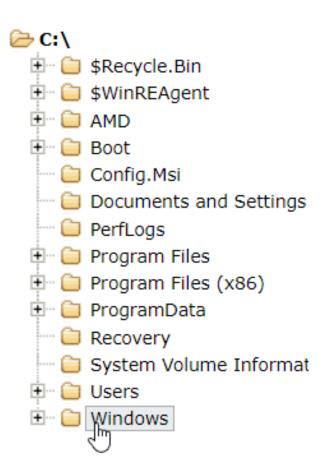
- Update the value for "mary" to 91110000
- Remove the element with "peter" as the key



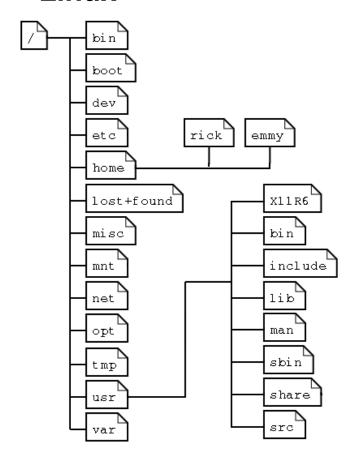


File Tree

Windows



Linux



File Paths



An absolute file path describes how to access a given file or directory, starting from the root of the file system.

 A relative file path is interpreted from the perspective your current working directory.

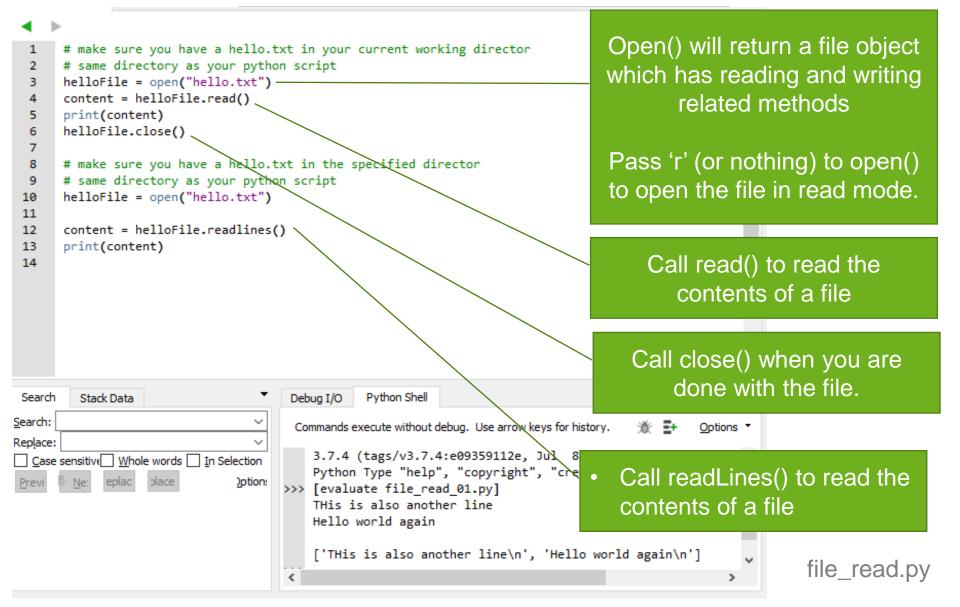
Relative Paths	Absolute Paths
\	C:\
٨.	C:\bacon
.\fizz	C:\bacon\fizz
.\fizz\spam.txt	C:\bacon\fizz\spam.tx
.\spam.txt	C:\bacon\spam.txt
\eggs	C:\eggs
\eggs\spam.txt	C:\eggs\spam.txt
\spam.txt	C:\spam.txt

Absolute file paths are notated by a leading forward slash or drive label.

Relative file paths are notated by a lack of a leading forward slash.

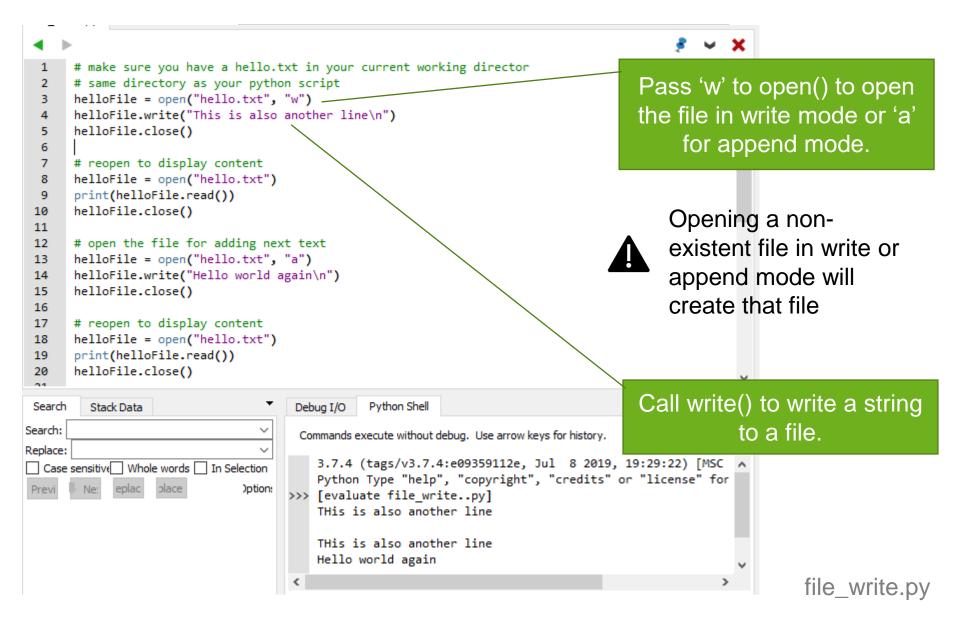


Read files











Copying and moving files

```
import shutil

# copy file, destination must exist
shutil.copy("hello.txt", "folder1")

# copy file, destination must exist, and into a new name
shutil.copy("hello.txt", "folder1/newhello.txt")

# recursively copy an entire directory
# error if the destination folder already exist
shutil.copytree("folder1", "folder_to_delete")
shutil.copytree("folder1", "folder_to_delete2")

# move file, destination must exist
shutil.move("folder1/hello.txt", "folder2")

# move and rename file
shutil.move("folder_to_delete/hello.txt", "folder_to_delete2/newhello.txt")
```

shutil.copy(src, dst) – Copy the file *src* to the file or directory *dst*

shutil.copytree(src, dst) - Recursively copy an entire directory tree rooted at *src*.

shutil.move(src, dst) - Recursively move a file or directory (*src*) to another location (*dst*).

https://docs.python.org/3/library/shutil.html



Deleting files

```
import os
# error if file do not exist
os.unlink("folder2/hello.txt")
# get current working directory
print(os.getcwd())
# delete directory (can only delete empty folder)
os.rmdir("folder to delete")
import shutil
# delete directory (with content)
# error if folder is not found
shutil.rmtree("folder_to_delete2")
```

e.g. To delete all .docx file in

```
import os
for filename in os.listdir():
    if filename.endswith(".docx"):
        print(filename)
        os.unlink(filename)
```

the current folder

- os.unlink() will delete a file
- os.rmdir() will delete a folder (but folder must be empty)
- shutil.rmtree() will delete a folder and all its contents

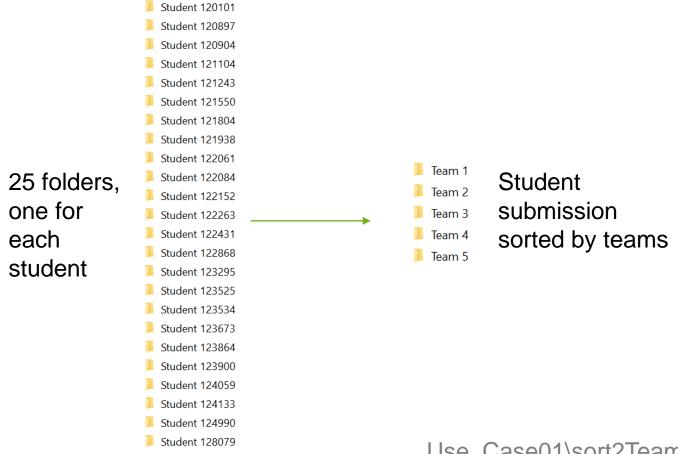


Deleting can be dangerous, so do a dry run first



Use Case Sharing

- Organizing students' submissions into separate folder
 - Class of 25 students into 5 teams





Other Use Cases

- System administrators can use these commands to
 - Copy and backup files to other hard-disks
 - Delete folders/ files at fixed schedules
 - End of financial year
 - End of semester
- Others
 - Check timestamp of files, and delete all files created before a certain date



Exercise – File operations

- Write a program to achieve the following:
 - 1. Create a file named: "myfile.txt".
 - 2. Write the following line of text into the file:
 - Programming is fun!
 - 3. Close the file
 - 4. Create a folder called "myfolder"
 - Use os.mkdir() command
 - 5. Copy myfile.txt to myfolder





Summary



Lunch Break



Python Package Index

https://pypi.org/

- A repository of software for the Python Programming Language
- Python Installation provides the core libraries needed for the common tasks
 - Additional packages can be found at the website and installed as extension
 - E.g. send2trash, openpyxl, pillow etc
- Installation is easy done with the following command pip install <software_package>
- Installed packages can be found at:
 C:\python38\Lib\site-packages



Using pip install

- For all windows users by default
 - Open command prompt pip install <package_name>
- For Mac User
 - Open terminal pip3 install <package_name>
- For staff using company issued laptop with no Admin rights



Alternative

- If command prompt is inaccessible, we can try to install the packages programmatically
- Example below shows package installation via Python code

```
import subprocess
import sys

subprocess.check_call([sys.executable, "-m", "pip", "install", "openpyxl"])
subprocess.check_call([sys.executable, "-m", "pip", "install", "pillow"])
```

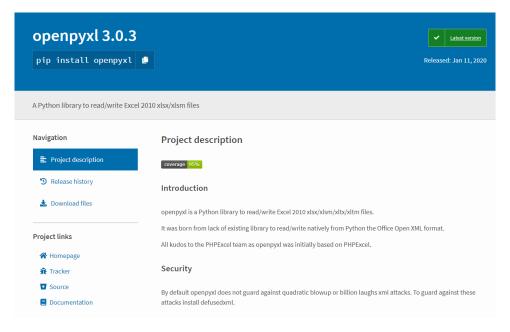


Excel Manipulation using Python



Working with Excel

Install openpyxl module using "pip install openpyxl"



 Full openpyxl documentation: https://openpyxl.readthedocs.io/en/stable/index.html



Typical Workflow for Excel Automation

You are given some data in a spreadsheet

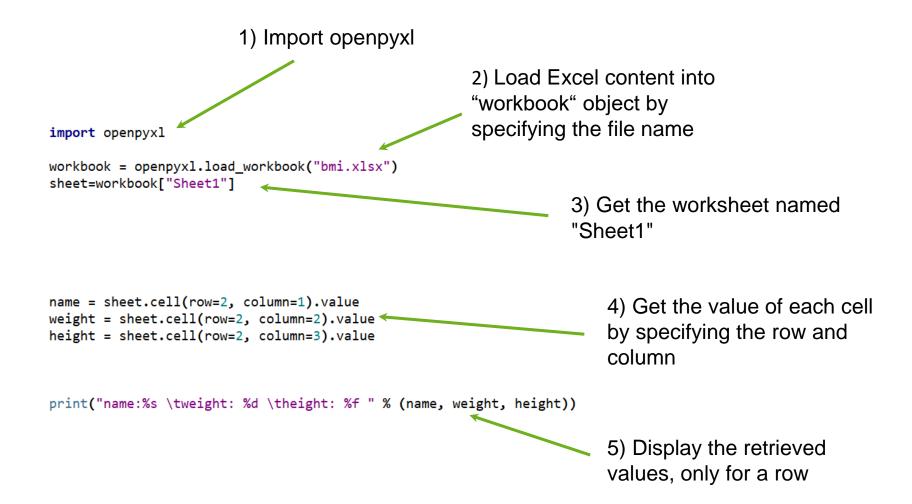
You want to do some or all of the following

- Analyse the data
- Manipulate the data

Output the processed data in another spreadsheet



Reading Excel file





Reading Excel file

 Reading excel file typically uses a for loop to go through each row to read the data

```
1) Get the number of rows
import openpyxl
                                                          and columns
workbook = openpyxl.load workbook("bmi.xlsx")
sheet=workbook["Sheet1"]
max row = sheet.max row # get number of rows
                                                                2) Use For loop to go through
#loop through every row
                                                                every row
for i in range(2, max_row + 1):
   #read cell
   name = sheet.cell(row=i, column=1).value
   weight = sheet.cell(row=i, column=2).value
   height = sheet.cell(row=i, column=3).value
                                                                          3) Extract the status at
   print("name:%s \tweight: %d \theight: %f " % (name, weight, height))
                                                                          Column C for height
```



Update Excel file

import openpyxl

```
workbook = openpyxl.load_workbook("bmi.xlsx")
                                                       1) Load file into memory & get
sheet=workbook["Sheet1"]
                                                       the sheet
max row = sheet.max row # get number of rows
# add a column header for bmi
                                                         2) Adds a header at the 4<sup>th</sup>
sheet.cell(row=1, column=4).value = "bmi"
                                                         column
#loop through every row
for i in range(2, max_row + 1):
   #read cell
                                                            3) Perform calculation with
   name = sheet.cell(row=i, column=1).value
                                                            values taken from the excel
   weight = sheet.cell(row=i, column=2).value
   height = sheet.cell(row=i, column=3).value
                                                            files
   bmi = weight / (height * height)
   sheet.cell(row=i, column=4).value = bmi <
                                                          4) Add calculated value
                                                          to cell
   print("name:%s \tBMI: %f" % (name, bmi))
#save the file
workbook.save("bmi update.xlsx")
                                                 5) Save the spreadsheet
```



Create Excel file

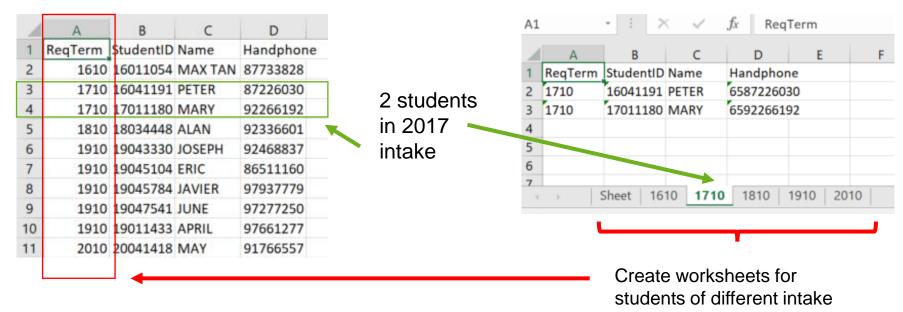
 If you have data in nested Python list, you can write the data into an excel file

```
import openpyxl
workbook = openpyxl.Workbook()
#get the default sheet
sheet=workbook["Sheet"]
#create a list of lists as data source
data = [
                                                               1) Some data in nested list
   [225.7, 'Gone with the Wind', 'Victor Fleming'],
   [194.4, 'Star Wars', 'George Lucas'],
   [161.0, 'ET: The Extraterrestrial', 'Steven Spielberg']
for row in data:
                                          2) Using for loop to add each row
   sheet.append(row)
                                          of data into the excel sheet
#save the spreadsheet
workbook.save("movies.xlsx")
                                          3) Save the spreadsheet
```



Use Case Sharing

- Write script
 - to split contact list for students based on intake year
 - to add country code: 65 to all the numbers
- The Excel file can be the input file, to be used to send WhatsApp messages to students individually (can use RPA too!)



^{*} Data shared here are randomly generated



Reinforcement learning



Read Excel file, produce the following output:

First Name: James Last Name: Cameron First Name: Steven Last Name: Speilberg

First Name: Michael Last Name: Bay
First Name: Chloe Last Name: Zhao

• Try to fix it, could you?



Web Automation with Python



requests – download files and web pages from the Web

pip install requests

import requests

Get the required information from the given URL

url="https://api.data.gov.sg/v1/environment/24-hour-weather-forecast"
req=requests.get(url)
print(req.text)



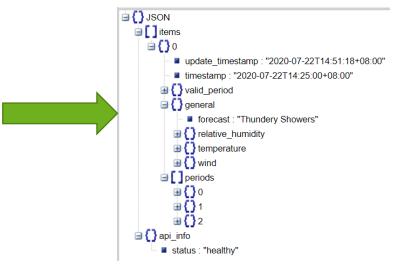


- Data is in JSON format
- Use a JSON formatter tool to present the data in a nicer form

http://jsonviewer.stack.hu/

```
import requests
url="https://api.data.gov.sg/v1/environment/24-hour-weather-forecast"
req=requests.get(url)
print(req.text)
```

```
{"items":[{"update_timestamp":"2020-07-22T14:51:18+08:00","timestamp":"2020-07-22T14:25:00+08:00","valid_period":{"start":"2020-07-22T12"end":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"general":{"forecast":"Thundery "relative_humidity":{"low":70, "high":95}, "temperature":{"low":22, "wind":{"speed":{"low":10, "high":20}, "direction":"ESE"}},"periods' "start":"2020-07-22T12:00:00+08:00","end":"2020-07-22T18:00:00+08:{"west":"Moderate Rain","east":"Moderate Rain","central":"Light I "Light Rain","north":"Light Rain"}},{"time":{"start":"2020-07-22T12:00:00+08:00"},"regions":{"west":"Partly Cloudy (Night)","central":"Partly Cloudy (Night)","Partly Cloudy (Night)","north":"Partly Cloudy (Night)","red":"2020-07-23T06:00:00+08:00","end":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T06:00:00+08:00","end":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"},"red":"2020-07-23T12:00:00+08:00"}
```





- To work with JSON data, import json first
- Use json.loads() to load the data in JSON format
- Extract and retrieve the required data

```
import json
import requests

url="https://api.data.gov.sg/v1/environment/24-hour-weather-forecast"
req=requests.get(url)

data = json.loads(req.text)

# print update timestamp
update_time = data["items"][0]["update_timestamp"]
print("Update time: " + update_time)

# print forecast
forecast = data["items"][0]["general"]["forecast"]
print("Forecast: " + forecast)
```

Update time: 2020-07-22T14:51:18+08:00

Forecast: Thundery Showers



Get weather info



- · Get the weather information for "Ang Mo Kio"
- Produce the output as below

name : Ang Mo Kio, forecast : Cloudy

• Try to fix it, could you?



Exercise

Car Park Availability Data:

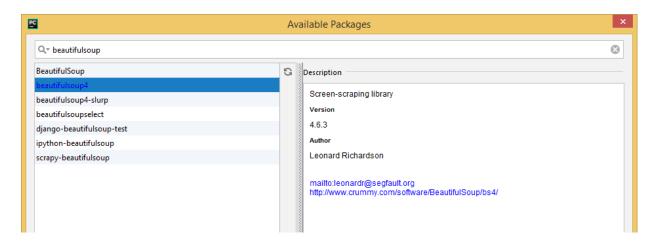
- 1.url: https://api.data.gov.sg/v1/transport/carpark-availability
- 2. Write the code to get the timestamp and the Carpark Number for the first set of carpark data.
- 3. Print out the result as shown.



Beautiful Soup – a third party module that parses HTML (web pages)

Web Scraping – download and process Web content

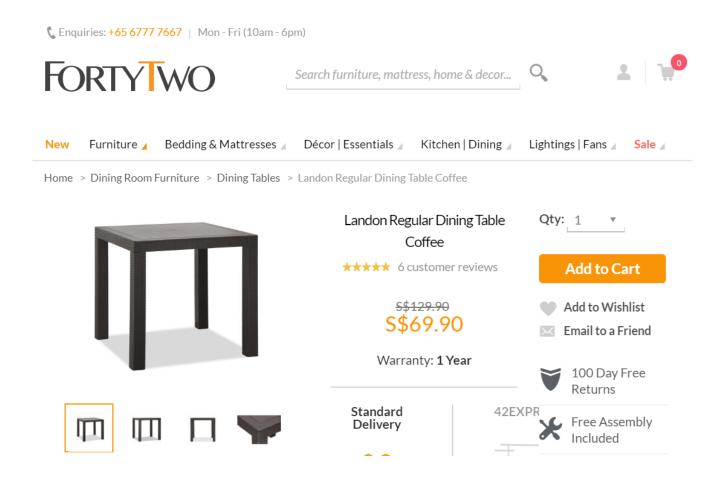
Install Beautiful Soup 4 - pip install beautifulsoup4





What's the URL?

https://www.fortytwo.sg/dining/dining-tables/landon-regular-dining-table-coffee.html

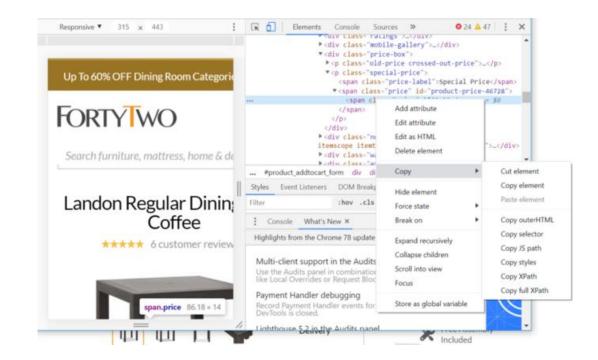




Get the url

https://www.fortytwo.sg/dining/dining-tables/landon-regular-dining-table-coffee.html

- Select the element to extract
 - right-click -> "Inspect"
 - hover to "Copy"
 - click on "Copy selector"



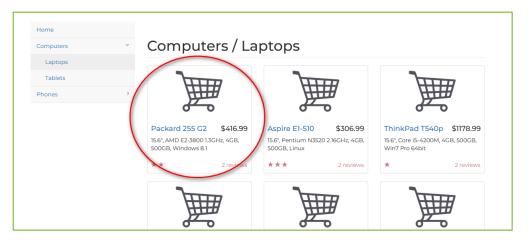


```
from urllib.request import Request, urlopen
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
site= "https://www.fortytwo.sg/dining/dining-tables/landon-regular-dining-table-coffee.html"
hdr = {'User-Agent': 'Mozilla/5.0'}
req = Request(site,headers=hdr)
page = urlopen(req)
soup = BeautifulSoup(page, 'html.parser')
                                                                      Debug I/O
                                                                               Python Shell
                                                                                        Messages
                                                                                                OS Co
                                                                      Debug I/O (stdin, stdout, stderr) appears below
elements = soup.select("#product-price-46728") # $69.90
print(elements)
                                                                      Current Price: S$69.90
price = elements[0].text
                                                                      Old Price: S$129.90
print("Current Price: " + elements[0].text)
                                                                      Delivery Date:
                                                                      Earliest by
#old-price-46728
                                                                      Sunday, 31 May 2020
elements = soup.select("#old-price-46728") # $129.90
print("\nOld Price: " + elements[0].text)
elements = soup.select('div[class="delivery est-date"]') # Earliest by Sunday, 31 May 2020
print(elements[0].text)
```

exercise Getting item information



 Extract the item name and price, and produce the output below:



Item: Packard 255 G2

Price: \$416.99

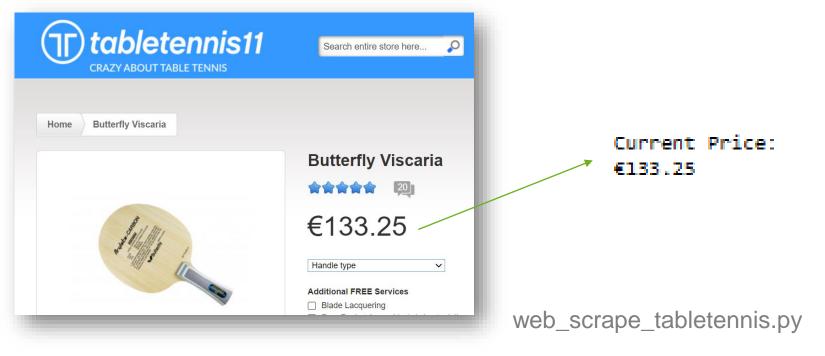
Try to fix it, could you?



Exercise

Table Tennis Bat Price:

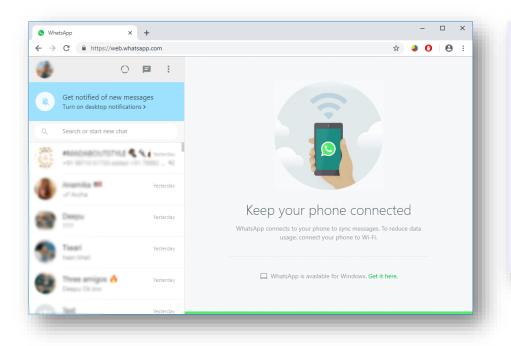
- 1.url: https://www.tabletennis11.com/other_eng/butterfly-viscaria
- 2. Write the code to get the price of the table tennis bat
- 3. Print out the result as shown.

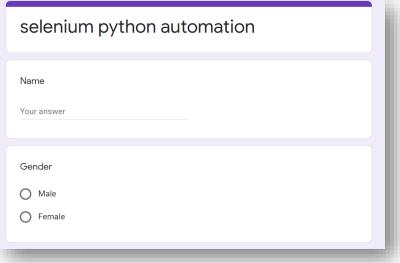




Sharing other Use Cases

- Using another library: selenium
 - Filling up google form
 - Sending WhatsApp message





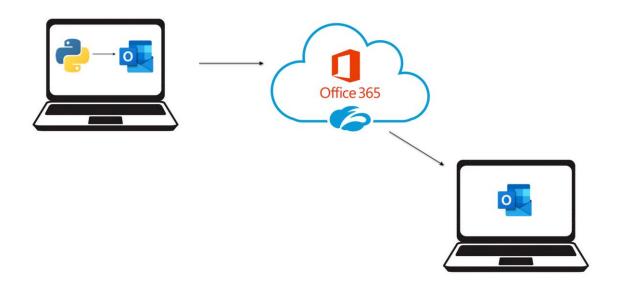


Email Automation with Python

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pywin32 package



- This assumes that we are using MS Outlook on the machine the python code is run
- pywin32 package is used to allow Python to access MS Outlook
- Python is not accessing the Outlook server directly, but it is using existing account set up in the MS Outlook



Send Email using Outlook

```
import win32com.client
subject = 'email subject'
body = '<html><body>' + 'This is a test email. Oct Python 2021<br />' + '</body></html>'
recipient = 'jason lim@rp.edu.sg'
#Create and send email
obj = win32com.client.Dispatch("Outlook.Application")
newMail = obj.CreateItem(0)
newMail.Subject = subject
newMail.HTMLBody = body
newMail.To = recipient
newMail.Send()
```

- The code above sends a simple HTML (meaning we can have tables, text formatting in it)
- No credentials are needed for the Python program as Python uses MS Outlook



Create appt using Outlook

```
import win32com.client

outlook = win32com.client.Dispatch("Outlook.Application")
appt = outlook.CreateItem(1)
appt.Start = "2021-10-08 15:30"
appt.Subject = "Meeting 1"
appt.Duration = 60
appt.Location = "Library"
appt.MeetingStatus = 0
appt.display()
appt.Save()
```

- The code above creates a calendar appointment
- No credentials are needed for the Python program as Python uses MS Outlook



Sharing Use Cases

- Sending Emails using Outlook to students
- Create Appointments using Outlook



Other Python Libraries

- · Play music using winsound
- Generate QR code using qrcode
- Face detection using opency





Where to go from here?





Think Python is an introduction to Python programming for beginners. It starts with basic concepts of programming, and is carefully designed to define all terms when they are first used and to develop each new concept in a logical progression. Larger pieces, like recursion and object-oriented programming are divided into a sequence of smaller steps and introduced over the course of several chapters.

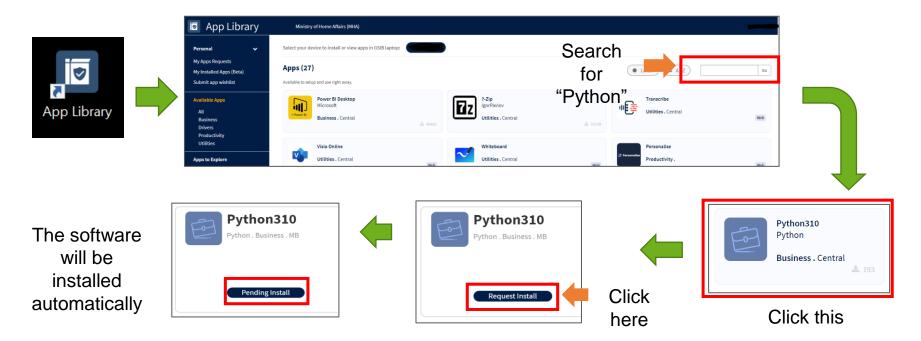
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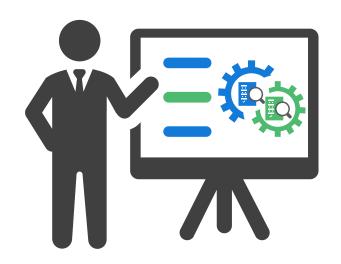


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