Why Python, Some Libraries and Functionalities in Spyder

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Why Python?

- Free open-source cross-platform language
- Rich library for almost any imaginable task
- Very easy to learn
- Efficient handling of data structures
- Many APIs to access data



Points to consider...

• Treated as an object... so variables are almost 3 times the size of other languages. Need to optimize data sets to avoid low execution

Understand third party libraries, to avoid losing speed and clarity

Like in any other language, always comment your codes

• Learn how to combine platforms, i.e. Python + julia

Other available options

- C++ high speed, efficient memory management / difficult to pick up
- C# & Java good for backtesting, native GUI & several numerical analysis libraries
- Matlab & R excellent for advance statistical analysis / R low speed unless operations are vectorized & Matlab licensing cost
- julia high speed, simple to type / not so many APIs, users or examples yet

^{**}Speed comparison: https://github.com/astrojhgu/adaptrapezoid benchmark/blob/master/Result.md

Libraries

15 Python Libraries for Data Science You Should Know









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Python is one of the most popular languages used by data scientists and software developers alike for data science tasks. It can be used to predict outcomes, automate tasks, streamline processes, and offer business intelligence insights.

It's possible to work with data in vanilla Python, but there are quite a few open-source libraries that make Python data tasks much, much easier.

You've certainly heard of some of these, but is there a helpful library you might be missing? Here's a line-up of the most important Python libraries for data science tasks, covering areas such as data processing, modeling, and visualization.

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Source: https://www.dataquest.io/blog/15-python-libraries-for-data-science/

What do I need to know to use Python?

- Variables
- Operators
- Conditionals
- Loops
- Functions
- -IDE

Variables

Python has the following data types built-in by default, in these categories:

Text Type - str

Numeric Types - int, float, complex

Sequence Types - list, tuple, range

Mapping Type - dict

Set Types - set, frozenset

Boolean Type - bool

Binary Types - bytes, bytearray, memoryview

Source: https://www.w3schools.com/python/python_datatypes.asp

Objects

Objects in Python have three main characteristics:

• id() function returns identity (unique integer) of an object

• type() function either returns the type of the object or returns a new type object based on the arguments passed

value

Source: https://www.programiz.com/python-programming/methods/built-in

Main operators

Example	Meaning
a + b	Sum of a and b
a – b	B subtracted from a
a * b	Product of a and b
a / b	Quotient when a is divided by b
a % b	Remainder when a is divided by b
a // b	Quotient when a is divided by b
a ** b	a raised to the power of b

Example	Result
a == b	True if a is equal to b
a != b	True if a is not equal to b
a < b	True if a is less than b
a <= b	True if a less/equal to b
a > b	True if a is greater than b
a >= b	True if a greater/equal to b
a or b a and b	True if either a or b is True True if either a and b are True

Source: https://www.programiz.com/python-programming/operators

Conditionals

```
x = 120

if x < 50:
    print('x > 50')
else:
    print('x <= 50')

print('x <= 50')

else:
    print('x >= 25')
else:
    print('x >= 50')
```

Loops

Remember...
In Python you start from 0

```
# 0 1 2 3
elements = ['op1','op2','op3','op4']
# -4 -3 -2 -1
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for element in elements:

print(element)

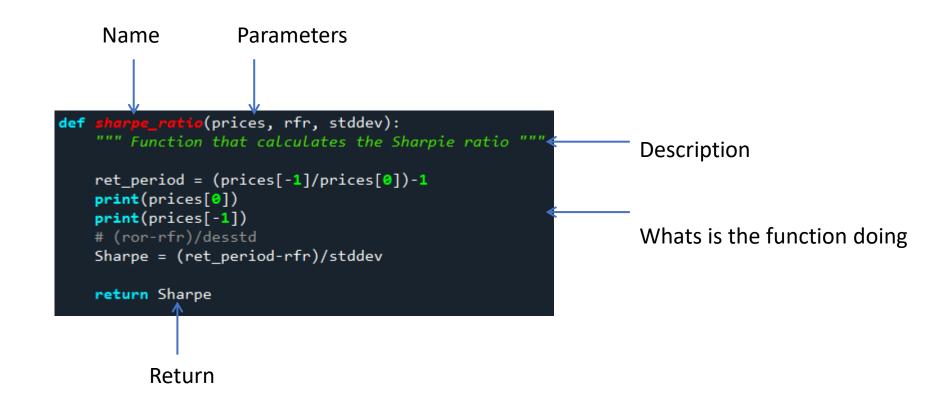
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Functions



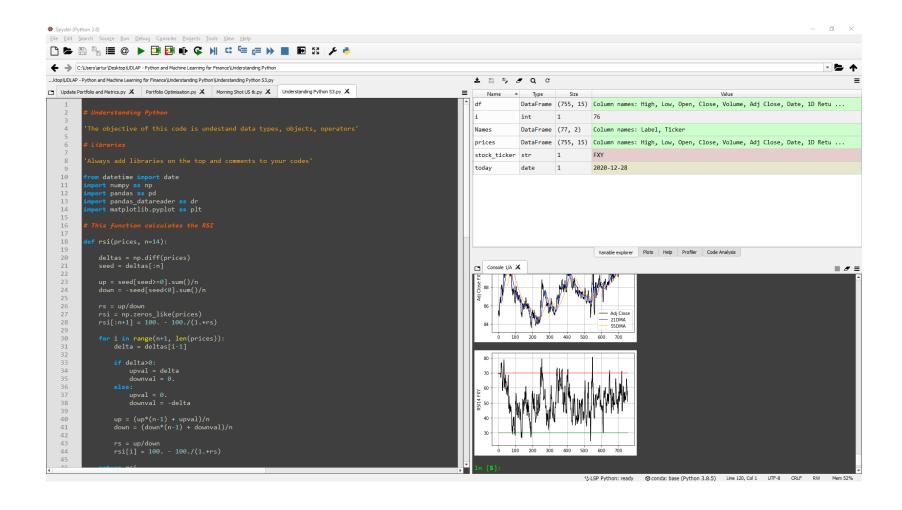
What are IDEs and Code Editors?

Whether you are new to this game or you are a veteran player, you need an IDE (Integrated Development Environment) or a code editor to showcase your coding skills and talent. An IDE is a software that consists of common developer tools into a single user-friendly GUI (Graphical User interface). An IDE majorly consists of a source code editor for writing software code, local build automation for creating a local build of the software like compiling computer source code. Lastly, it has a debugger, a program for testing other programs. An IDE can have many more features apart from these & those vary for each IDE.

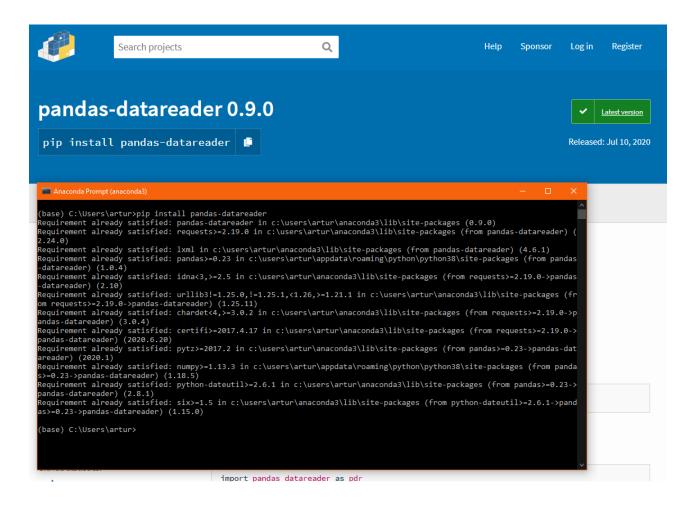
Source: https://hackr.io/blog/best-python-ide

Spyder

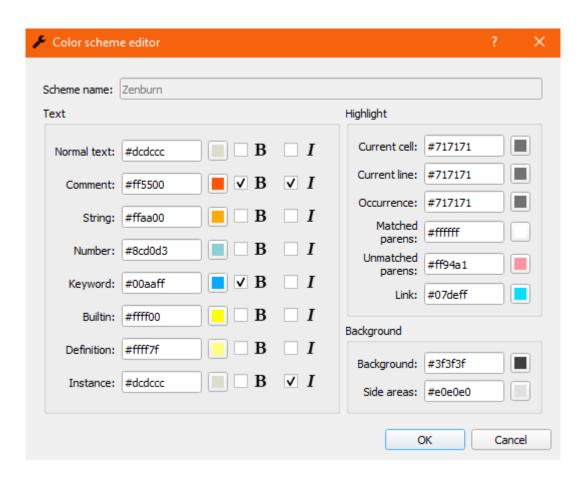




Anaconda Prompt



Spyder suggested color scheme



Coding... + Libraries



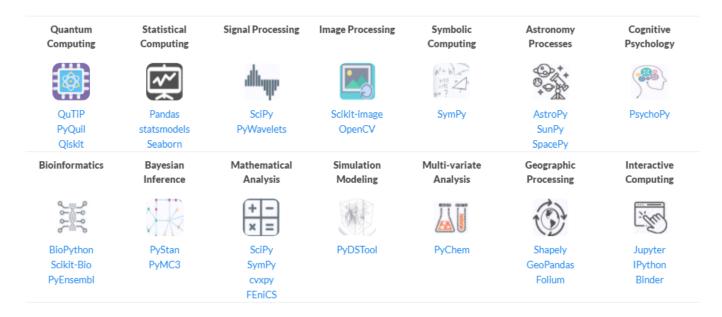
Standard Library

The library contains built-in modules (written in C) that provide access to system functionality such as file I/O that would otherwise be inaccessible to Python programmers, as well as modules written in Python that provide standardized solutions for many problems that occur in everyday programming.

Source: https://docs.python.org/3/library/index.html

NumPy

NumPy brings the computational power of languages like C and Fortran to Python, a language much easier to learn and use. With this power comes simplicity: a solution in NumPy is often clear and elegant.



Source: https://docs.python.org/3/library/index.html

pandas

pandas is a Python package providing fast, flexible, and expressive data structures designed to make working with "relational" or "labeled" data both easy and intuitive. It aims to be the fundamental high-level building block for doing practical, real-world data analysis in Python. Additionally, it has the broader goal of becoming the most powerful and flexible open source data analysis/manipulation tool available in any language. It is already well on its way toward this goal.

Source: https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/getting_started/overview.html

datareader

Functions from pandas_datareader.data and pandas_datareader.wb extract data from various Internet sources into a pandas DataFrame. Currently the following sources are supported:

Alpha Vantage

Enigma

IEX

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Kenneth French's data library

Quandl St.Louis FED (FRED)

Tiingo

World Bank

Eurostat

MOEX

Nasdaq Trader symbol definitions

Naver Finance

OECD

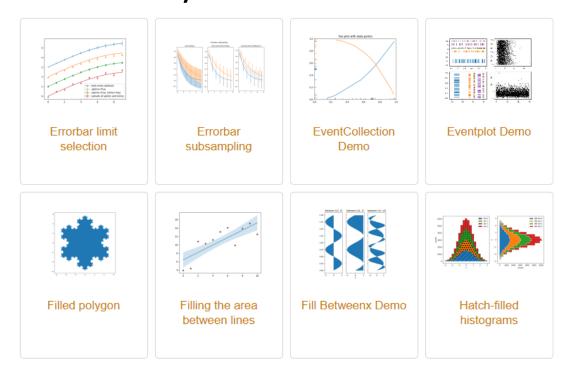
Stooq

Thrift Savings Plan

Source: https://pandas-datareader.readthedocs.io/en/latest/remote_data.html

Matplotlib

Matplotlib is a comprehensive library for creating static, animated, and interactive visualizations in Python.



Source: https://matplotlib.org/gallery/index.html

Requisites

Watch these videos:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eXBD2bB9-RA&list=PLQVvvaa0QuDeAams7fkdcwOGBpGdHpXln

Download Anaconda:

https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual

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https://www.python.org/

https://docs.python.org/3/

https://realpython.com/

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