

# Data Science for Managerial Decisions (MB 511) A Short Course in Data Science using Python

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## **Getting and setting**

Python from Python Website





Managed Python Distribution



**Collaboration and Version Control** 







## **A Quick Introduction**

#### What is Python?

- Python is a high-level, interpreted programming language known for its simplicity and readability.
- It was created by Guido van Rossum and first released in 1991.

#### Why Python?

- Ease of Learning: Python's straightforward syntax makes it an excellent language for beginners.
- Versatility: Python is used in various fields such as web development, data science, automation, artificial intelligence, and more.
- Large Community and Libraries: Python has a vast community and a rich ecosystem of libraries and frameworks, which accelerates development.



## **A Quick Introduction**

#### **Key Features:**

- Interpreted Language: Python code is executed line by line, which makes debugging easier.
- Dynamically Typed: You don't need to declare the data type of variables.
- Cross-Platform: Python runs on different operating systems like
   Windows, macOS, and Linux.

#### **Applications of Python:**

- Web Development: Using frameworks like Django and Flask.
- Data Science: With libraries such as Pandas, NumPy, and Matplotlib.
- Machine Learning: Through tools like TensorFlow and Scikit-learn.
- Automation: For scripting and task automation.
- Software Development: For writing complex softwares



#### **Industry Products written in Python**

#### **Web Applications:**

- YouTube: Google's popular video-sharing platform uses Python for various functionalities including video playback, data analysis, and more.
- Instagram: The backend of Instagram, one of the largest social media platforms, is largely powered by Python, allowing for rapid development and scaling.

#### **Data Science & Machine Learning:**

- Spotify: Uses Python for data analysis, recommendations, and backend services. Python's libraries like NumPy and Pandas help in handling the large datasets Spotify deals with.
- Netflix: Python is used for everything from content recommendation algorithms to monitoring server performance.



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#### **Finance & Trading:**

- Quora: The Q&A platform relies on Python to manage its complex business logic and backend infrastructure, making it robust and scalable.
- JPMorgan Chase: The banking giant uses Python for data analysis, financial modeling, and quantitative analysis.

#### **Automation Tools:**

- Dropbox: Python is the backbone of Dropbox's desktop client. It's used extensively for its server-side code and scaling operations.
- Reddit: Python powers the backend of Reddit, the popular social news aggregation site, enabling efficient handling of millions of users and posts.



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#### **Game Development:**

- Eve Online: A massive multiplayer online game that uses Python for scripting in its game engine.
- Battlefield 2: Python was used to write the core of the Battlefield 2 game server.

#### **Other Examples:**

- Pinterest: Uses Python for its backend web development and data processing.
- Uber: Python is utilized for backend services and data management, playing a key role in route calculation and data processing.



## **Data Types & Structure**

#### **Data Types:**

- Integers (int):
  - Whole numbers, positive or negative, without decimals.
  - Example: x = 10, y = -5
- Floating-Point Numbers (float):
  - Numbers that contain a decimal point.
  - Example: pi = 3.14, temperature = -5.6
- Strings (str):
  - A sequence of characters enclosed in quotes, used for text.
  - Example: name = "Alice", greeting = 'Hello'
- Booleans (bool):
  - Represents one of two values: True or False.
  - Example: is\_valid = True, has\_access = False



## **Data Types & Structure**

## **Data Type Conversion**

Data Type	Float	Integer	Character	Bool
Float	NA	Yes (Data Loss)	Yes	Yes
Integer	Yes	NA	Yes	Yes
Character	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes
Bool	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA





## Have a question?

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