

Python for DevOps



Why Python in DevOps? 🤔

- **Easy to Learn** 💻
- **Cross-Platform** 🌎
- **Vast Libraries** 📚
- **Active Community** 🤝

Key Use Cases of Python in DevOps 🔐

- **CI/CD Automation:** Automate pipelines with Jenkins, GitLab CI.
- **Infrastructure as Code (IaC):** Manage infrastructure via Python with Terraform & AWS Boto3.
- **System Monitoring:** Create alerts with Nagios, Prometheus, or Grafana.
- **API Integrations:** Interact with APIs for cloud services (AWS, Azure).

Core Python Concepts for DevOps 🧠

1. Data Types

- int, float for numbers
- str for text
- list, tuple, set for collections
- dict for key-value pairs

2. Functions & Modules

- Define reusable code blocks with def ✏️
- Split large code into modules for better organization 🗂️

3. File Operations

```
1. with open("file.txt", "w") as f:  
2.     f.write("Hello, DevOps!")
```

4. Error Handling ⚠

```
1. try:
2.     result = 10 / 0
3. except ZeroDivisionError:
4.     print("Can't divide by zero!")
```

5. Automation with Boto3 🤖

```
1. import boto3
2.
3. # Create an S3 client
4. s3 = boto3.client('s3')
5.
6. # Create a new S3 bucket
7. bucket_name = 'my-new-bucket'
8. s3.create_bucket(Bucket=bucket_name)
9.
10. print(f'S3 bucket "{bucket_name}" created successfully!')
11.
```

6. Log Management 📋

Use Python to parse, analyze, and manage logs for real-time monitoring.

Real-World Examples of Python in DevOps 💫

1. CI/CD Automation 🚀

Scenario: Automating Jenkins Job Creation

Solution:

```
1. import requests
2. from requests.auth import HTTPBasicAuth
3.
4. jenkins_url = 'http://localhost:8080'
5. job_name = 'example-job'
6. jenkins_user = 'admin'
7. jenkins_token = 'your_api_token'
8.
9. job_config = '''
10. <project>
11.   <builders>
12.     <hudson.tasks.Shell>
13.       <command>echo "Hello, DevOps!"</command>
14.     </hudson.tasks.Shell>
15.   </builders>
16. </project>
17. '''
18.
19. response = requests.post(
20.     f'{jenkins_url}/createItem?name={job_name}',
```

```
21.     data=job_config,
22.     headers={'Content-Type': 'application/xml'},
23.     auth=HTTPBasicAuth(jenkins_user, jenkins_token)
24. )
25.
26. if response.status_code == 200:
27.     print(f'Job "{job_name}" created successfully!')
28. else:
29.     print(f'Failed to create job: {response.status_code}')
30.
```

2. Infrastructure as Code (IaC)

Scenario: Managing AWS S3 Buckets

Solution:

```
1. import boto3
2.
3. # Initialize S3 client
4. s3 = boto3.client('s3')
5.
6. # Create a new S3 bucket
7. bucket_name = 'my-new-bucket'
8. s3.create_bucket(Bucket=bucket_name)
9.
10. print(f'S3 bucket "{bucket_name}" created successfully!')
11.
```

3. System Monitoring

Scenario: Sending Alerts with Prometheus

Solution:

```
1. from prometheus_client import start_http_server, Summary
2.
3. # Create a metric to track processing time
4. REQUEST_TIME = Summary('request_processing_seconds', 'Time spent processing request')
5.
6. # Decorate function with metric
7. @REQUEST_TIME.time()
8. def process_request():
9.     # Simulate request processing
10.    import time
11.    time.sleep(2)
12.
13. if __name__ == '__main__':
14.     # Start Prometheus metrics server
15.     start_http_server(8000)
16.
17.     # Simulate processing requests
18.     while True:
19.         process_request()
20.
```

4. API Integrations

Scenario: Interacting with AWS EC2

Solution:

```
1. import boto3
2.
3. # Initialize EC2 client
4. ec2 = boto3.client('ec2')
5.
6. # Launch a new EC2 instance
7. response = ec2.run_instances(
8.     ImageId='ami-0abcdef1234567890',
9.     MinCount=1,
10.    MaxCount=1,
11.    InstanceType='t2.micro',
12.    KeyName='my-key-pair'
13. )
14.
15. instance_id = response['Instances'][0]['InstanceId']
16. print(f'EC2 instance launched with ID: {instance_id}')
17.
```

5. Backup and Restore Databases

Scenario: Backup MySQL Database Daily

Solution:

```
1. import subprocess
2. from datetime import datetime
3.
4. # Backup configuration
5. db_name = 'your_database'
6. user = 'your_username'
7. password = 'your_password'
8. backup_dir = '/path/to/backup'
9. timestamp = datetime.now().strftime('%Y%m%d%H%M%S')
10. backup_file = f'{backup_dir}/{db_name}_{timestamp}.sql'
11.
12. # Command to create backup
13. backup_command = f'mysqldump -u {user} -p{password} {db_name} > {backup_file}'
14.
15. # Run the backup command
16. subprocess.run(backup_command, shell=True, check=True)
17.
18. print(f'Database backup created at {backup_file}')
19.
```

6. Automating Server Configuration

Scenario: Automatically Install and Configure Nginx on a Server

Solution:

```

1. import paramiko
2.
3. # Server connection details
4. hostname = 'your_server_ip'
5. port = 22
6. username = 'your_username'
7. password = 'your_password'
8.
9. # Commands to run
10. commands = [
11.     'sudo apt update',
12.     'sudo apt install -y nginx',
13.     'sudo systemctl start nginx',
14.     'sudo systemctl enable nginx'
15. ]
16.
17. # Create SSH client
18. ssh = paramiko.SSHClient()
19. ssh.set_missing_host_key_policy(paramiko.AutoAddPolicy())
20. ssh.connect(hostname, port, username, password)
21.
22. for command in commands:
23.     stdin, stdout, stderr = ssh.exec_command(command)
24.     print(stdout.read().decode())
25.     if stderr.read().decode():
26.         print(f"Error: {stderr.read().decode()}")
27.
28. ssh.close()
29.

```

7. Deploying Applications with Docker

Scenario: Deploy a Dockerized Application to a Remote Server

Solution:

```

1. import paramiko
2.
3. # Server connection details
4. hostname = 'your_server_ip'
5. port = 22
6. username = 'your_username'
7. password = 'your_password'
8.
9. # Docker commands
10. docker_commands = [
11.     'sudo docker pull your_image:latest',
12.     'sudo docker stop your_container || true',
13.     'sudo docker rm your_container || true',
14.     'sudo docker run -d --name your_container your_image:latest'
15. ]
16.
17. # Create SSH client
18. ssh = paramiko.SSHClient()
19. ssh.set_missing_host_key_policy(paramiko.AutoAddPolicy())
20. ssh.connect(hostname, port, username, password)
21.
22. for command in docker_commands:
23.     stdin, stdout, stderr = ssh.exec_command(command)
24.     print(stdout.read().decode())
25.     if stderr.read().decode():

```

```
26.         print(f"Error: {stderr.read().decode()}")
27.
28.     ssh.close()
29.
```

8. Handling Alerts and Notifications 📡

Scenario: Send an Email Notification on Critical Errors

Solution:

```
1. import smtplib
2. from email.mime.text import MIMEText
3.
4. # Email configuration
5. smtp_server = 'smtp.example.com'
6. smtp_port = 587
7. sender_email = 'your_email@example.com'
8. receiver_email = 'admin@example.com'
9. password = 'your_password'
10.
11. # Email content
12. subject = 'Critical Error Notification'
13. body = 'A critical error occurred. Please check the logs for details.'
14. msg = MIMEText(body)
15. msg['Subject'] = subject
16. msg['From'] = sender_email
17. msg['To'] = receiver_email
18.
19. # Send the email
20. with smtplib.SMTP(smtp_server, smtp_port) as server:
21.     server.starttls()
22.     server.login(sender_email, password)
23.     server.sendmail(sender_email, receiver_email, msg.as_string())
24.
25. print('Notification email sent successfully')
26.
```

9. Creating Custom Command-Line Tools 🔧

Scenario: A Python CLI Tool to Monitor System Resource Usage

Solution:

```
1. import argparse
2. import psutil
3.
4. # Function to get resource usage
5. def get_resource_usage():
6.     cpu_usage = psutil.cpu_percent()
7.     memory_info = psutil.virtual_memory()
8.     return cpu_usage, memory_info.percent
9.
10. # CLI setup
11. parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Monitor system resource usage.')
12. parser.add_argument('--cpu', action='store_true', help='Show CPU usage')
13. parser.add_argument('--memory', action='store_true', help='Show memory usage')
```

```
14. args = parser.parse_args()
15.
16. cpu_usage, memory_usage = get_resource_usage()
17.
18. if args.cpu:
19.     print(f'CPU Usage: {cpu_usage}%')
20. if args.memory:
21.     print(f'Memory Usage: {memory_usage}%')
22.
```



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