```
import scipy.constants as _sc
import numpy as np
# solar mass, radius, luminosity
Msun = 1.98848e30 \# kg
Rsun = 6.957e8 # m
Lsun = 3.828e26 # W
#print("The Mean Molecular Weight for\
# interstellar gas is {:.5}".format(mue gas))
if __name__ == "__main__"SNAKESHIT
                          A Short Musical
    constants = Book, Music, and Lyrics by D. Q. Pham
        ("solar mass", Msun, "kg"),
        ("solar radius", Rsun, "m"),
        ("solar luminosity", Lsun, "W"),
        ("gravitational constant", G, "m**3 s**-2 kg**-1"),
        ("Planck constant",h,"J s"),
        ("Planck constant, reduced", hbar, "J s"),
        ("electron mass", m e, "kg"),
        ("proton mass",m_p,"kg"),
        ("neutron mass", m n, "kg"),
        ("atomic mass unit", m u, "kg"),
        ("speed of light",c,"m s**-1"),
        ("Boltzmann constant",k,"J K**-1"),
        ("parsec",pc,"m"),
        ("astronomical unit", au, "m"),
        ("year", year, "s"),
 © D. Q. Pham "Stefan-Boltzmann constant", swww.badastral.com *-2 K**-4")
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# Cast of Characters

<u>UNUK</u>: WOC, mezzo-soprano, an astronomy student who does

not get Python.

GUDJA: Woman, soprano, an astronomy professor who brings

Python into an everyday language.

MARFIK: Man, tenor, a student who understands Python.

ALYA: Woman, alto, a student who understands Python.

YED: Man, bass, a student who understands Python.

Place

Classroom

<u>Time</u>

1990s or 2000s

# Musical Number

main(S) Unuk

repeat(STRANGLE) Company

print(SLITHER OFF) Unuk and Gudja

Setting: A classroom contains a desk.

At Rise: UNUK, carrying a stack of papers, enters.

(Song: "S")

# **UNUK** (breathlessly.)

UNUK. PLEASE TAKE A BREATH, UNUK. SEMESTER'S DONE, UNUK. ASTRONOMY, UNUK. WEED-OUT COURSES OVER. DEEP RELEVANT HOMEWORK.

(Placing the stack on the desk.)

THE SCOPE OF THE TELE. BUTTERFLIES IN BELLY.

(Holding her belly.)

YOU ARE STELLAR, UNUK. CONSTELLATIONS APART. TIME TO TACKLE THE DARK. SUPERNOVAE TO START. LAGRANGIAN'S BEEN HARD.

(Distancing from the stack.)

(MARFIK, ALYA, and YED stroll in.)

COMMUNITIES OF STARS. SIGN THAT ALL LEAVE A MARK.

(GUDJA, carrying a portable computer, marches in.)

A HOLY STAY, GUDJA.

(GUDJA examines the stack.)

## UNUK (Cont.)

#### THE BREAK'S BEGUN.

(GUDJA removes the stack. She places the computer on the desk.)

(They gather around the desk.)

(Song: "STRANGLE")

#### **GUDJA**

ALL I ASK OF YOUR MENTAL ENVI-MENT. SAVE IT. EXPORT THEM. YOU ALL DID THIS IN HIGH SCHOOL.

(UNUK alienates the computer.)

PRESENT, WELCOME BACK TO THE FUTURE!

(Activating the computer.)

(The computer throttles.)

(UNUK chokes up.)

TIME'S JUST A SCALAR QUANTITY THOUGH.

(Pointing to the computer.)

FILE... COMPUTE ORBITS AND ENERGIES FOR THE SMALLEST TIMESTEPS FOR EACH INTEGRATION.

## **GUDJA** (Cont.)

(Focusing on the students.)

YED. ALYA. MARFIK. U.

(Refocusing on the computer.)

N N SERPENTIS HAS AN ELIPSICAL PERIOD. IT IS ONLY PYTHON.

(Moving aside.)

(MARFIK, ALYA, and YED take control of the computer.)

MARFIKALYAYEDREADME M D.RUN MATPLOTLIB.OPEN NUMPY.ERROR ANALYSIS.ERROR ANALYSIS.ERROR ANALYSIS.

(UNUK discreetly takes a piece of paper from the hidden stack.)

ENERGY PLOT FUNCTIONS AND THE OUTPUT.

(UNUK writes on the paper.)

(MARFIK, ALYA, and YED turn their attention to UNUK.)

WHITE. WHITE. WHITE.

(Taking the paper from UNUK.)

COLD WHITE DWARF STAR. CALC-LATE MASS RADIUS. FOR US.

(Setting UNUK up to the computer.)

MARFIK (Cont.)

ALYA (Cont.)

YED (Cont.)

MAKE YOURSELF USEFUL. TRY TO BE ON TOP.

DON'T GET LEFT BEHIND.

(UNUK holds her head.)

YES PRESSURE.

YES PRESSURE.

YES PRESSURE.

(Pointing to the computer.)

(UNUK glances at the paper.)

(MARFIK, ALYA, and YED rip up the paper. They step aside. They occasionally look through other papers in the hidden stack.)

**UNUK** (disorientedly.)

STRANGLEHOLD. I CANNOT SAY IT IN ASTRONOMY. DON'T KNOW COMPUTERS.

**GUDJA** 

PYTHON IS ELEGANT SYNTAX, SCRIPTING.

**UNUK** 

ITS TYPE'S TOO... DYNAMICALLY.

**GUDJA** 

PERHAPS QUIT ANALYZING THIS TO HAVE DISCOV-RIES MADE ON THE WEB.

(Moving aside.)

#### **UNUK**

NOTHING GOOD COMES OUT OF RESEARCHING PYTHON ON THE WEB.

(Typing then entering on the computer.)

WELCOME TO THE JAVA...

(Scrolling with conviction.)

(MARFIK, ALYA, and YED slithers back. They move UNUK aside and retake control of the computer.)

MARFIK	ALYA	YED
TOO MUCH	TOO MUCH	DENS-TY
PRESSURE.	PRESSURE.	DEFINED.
'QUATION OF	'QUATION OF	'QUATION OF
STATE UNIT.	STATE TESTED.	STATE UNIT.
P-D RELATIONSHIP, B	RANCH UNCOMMIT	

(UNUK forces herself onto the computer. She hastily types.)

(MARFIK, ALYA, and YED force UNUK off the computer. They continue typing.)

STOP WITH	STOP THIS	STOP FEELING
ARTISTRY.	IMPRI-TY.	FREELY.
SEE, NOTHING TOO	SEE, DO NOT FEEL	SEE, JUST GIVE IT
COMPLEX.	SO STRESSED.	A REST.
PLUS, 3 D AIN'T	PLUS, 3 D ARE FOR	PLUS, 3 D LOADS
WORTH IT.	NERDS.	TOO SLOW.
PLUS,	PLUS,	PLUS,

(Directing towards each wall except the fourth wall.)

BOXED IN. BOXED IN. BOXED IN.

(Boxing in UNUK towards the computer.)

(UNUK loses the will to code.)

(MARFIK, ALYA, and YED step aside to observe UNUK.)

UNUK (reluctantly.)