# Python at the speed of light

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# Ground level

Python27 is a well supported high-level programming language to be used on small and large scales; from scripting to the Grid computer.

- interpreted, he said she said
  - ullet (python) code o interpreter o bytecode o VM o bare metal
  - (C) code  $\rightarrow$  asm  $\rightarrow$  bare metal
- readable, efficient use of whitespace
  - no semi colons, curly braces
- multiparadigm
  - supports procedural, functional, and class based techniques
- yes, it's slow, but fast enough for most purposes, depends on what you are doing



# Post install, now what

-the interpreter

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I need more libraries,

- use PIP, the python package manager
- C:\> pip install mylib

```
import mylib
from mylib import myfunc as :
```

# OK but

-what about source files

### Within hello.py

```
import sys
print "Hello %s!" % (sys.argv[1])
```

Running the following from the terminal or cmd

```
C:\> python hello.py Tyler
Hello Tyler!
```

-data types

-contd

```
# import the numpy library
import numpy as np
a = np.array([2,3,4])

# just the array stuff
from numpy import array

# functions
def square(x):
    """square x"""
    return x*x
```

To view the docstring for a function: print square.\_\_doc\_

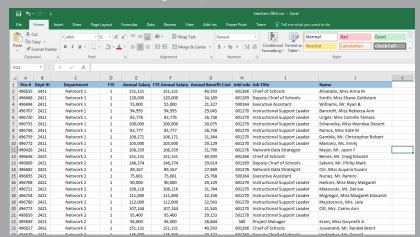
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-contd.

```
Read a file
Write to file
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-Operating on Excel/CSV files

Let's start with the following example:  $\approx$ 40k rows.





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Using data provided by Chicago Public Schools would like to know the following

- the number of employees in each titled position
- avg annual salary for each position

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### Bring the data into the python env

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### Process the list of dictionaries

```
# a list of Regular Teachers
rts = filter(lambda t: float(t['FTE']) > 0.5 and t['Job Title'] == "Regular Teacher", edus)

# a list of salaries for the the Regular Teachers
sals = map(lambda t: float(t['FTE Annual Salary'].replace(',','')), rts)

# functionally
avg_fas = reduce(lambda x,y: x+y, sals) / ler(sals)

# procedurally
avg_fas = 0

for s in sals:
avg_fas = avg_fas / len(sals)

# the results
print "%s %-64s (%5d): %6.2f" %(file, "Regular Teacher", len(sals), avg_fas)

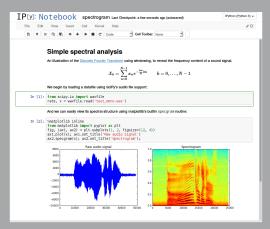
teachers-2014.csv Regular Teacher (12881): 74840.72

* teachers-2015.csv Regular Teacher (12881): 74840.72

* teachers-2015.csv Regular Teacher (12872): 74792.72
```

# IDE's

Jupyter notebooks make for a convienient way to investigate and analyze data. Uses localhost and the browser as an interface to the interpreter.



# IDE's

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I like Visual Studio Code, free, lots of plugins, no browser per se, similar features.

```
teachers.py ×
       from operator import itemgetter
       files = ['teachers-2014.csv', 'teachers-2015.csv', 'teachers-2016.csv']
       for file in files:
           teachers = []
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           titles = set()
           with open(file, 'r') as f:
               reader = csv.DictReader(f)
               for row in reader:
                   teachers.append(row)
                   if row['Job Title'] not in titles:
                       titles.add(row['Job Title'])
           rt = filter(lambda t: float(t['FTE']) > 0.5 and t['Job Title'] == "Regular Teacher", teachers)
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           sals = map(lambda t: float(t['FTE Annual Salary'],replace('.'.'')), rt)
           avg fas = reduce(lambda x.v: x+v, sals) / len(sals)
           print "%s %-64s (%5d): %6.2f" %(file, "Regular Teacher", len(sals), avg_fas)
           pp = filter(lambda t: t['FTE'] > 0.5 and t['Job Title'] == "Principal", teachers)
           sals = map(lambda t: float(t['FTE Annual Salary'].replace(',','')), pp)
           avg fas = reduce(lambda x,y: x+y, sals) / len(sals)
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           print "%s %-64s (%5d): %6.2f\n" %(file, "Principal", len(sals), avg_fas)
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 C:\Users\schupbach\Documents\code\python\teachers>python teachers.py
 teachers-2014.csv Regular Teacher
                                                                                  (12881): 74840.72
 teachers-2014.csv Principal
                                                                                  ( 442): 134400.69
 teachers-2015.csv Regular Teacher
                                                                                  (12872): 74792.72
 teachers-2015.csv Principal
                                                                                  ( 436): 133858.85
 teachers-2016.csv Regular Teacher
                                                                                  (12710): 73628.62
 teachers-2016.csv Principal
                                                                                  ( 430): 133245.20
```

# Resources

Some online resoures to help bring you up to speed. Start at the source.

- https://www.python.org/
- https://docs.python.org/2/index.html
- https://learnxinyminutes.com/docs/python/
- https://learnpythonthehardway.org/

Thanks

