

# Clean Code Principles for Data Science & Machine Learning

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Coding Best Practices

# 02

Writing clean and modular  
code

# 03

Refactoring

"Readability Counts" The zen of the Python  
"The code is read much more often than it is written." Guido Van Rossum

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Efficient Code and  
Documentation

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Following PEP8

# Coding Best Practices

Makes you a better engineer and preparing you for writing production-level code



Write clean and module code using informative naming conventions



Refactoring and optimizing your code



Document from in-line comments to docs string to project documentation

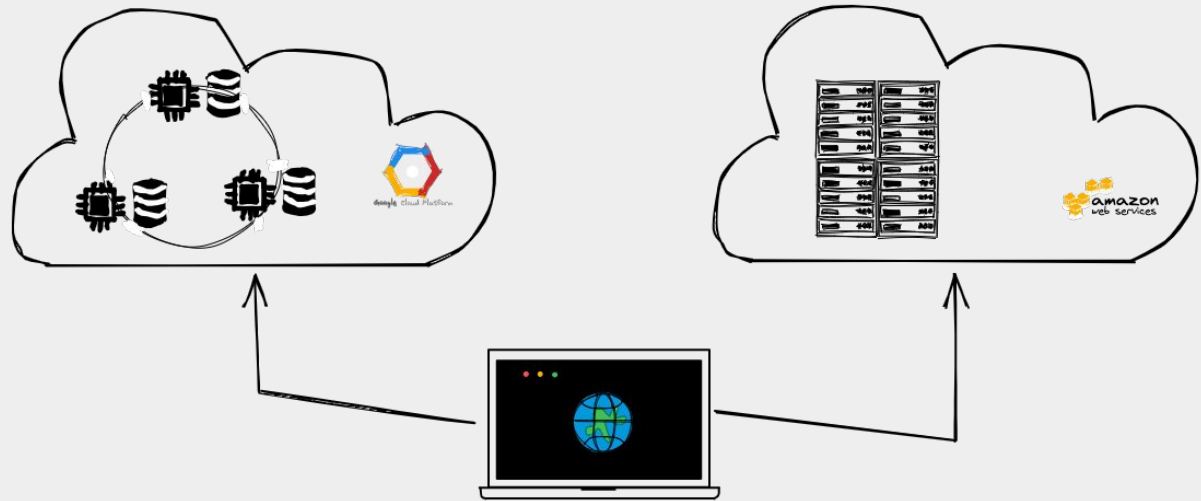


Automate putting our best practices to use autopep8 and pylint

# Clean and Modular Code

Writing code in a way that is clean and modular.

- Production Code
- Clean Code
- Modular code
- Module



Production code just means code that is run on production servers. Ideally, this code should meet a number of criteria to ensure reliability and efficiency before become public.

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Clean: readable, simple and conside

- Production Code
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- Module & Functions



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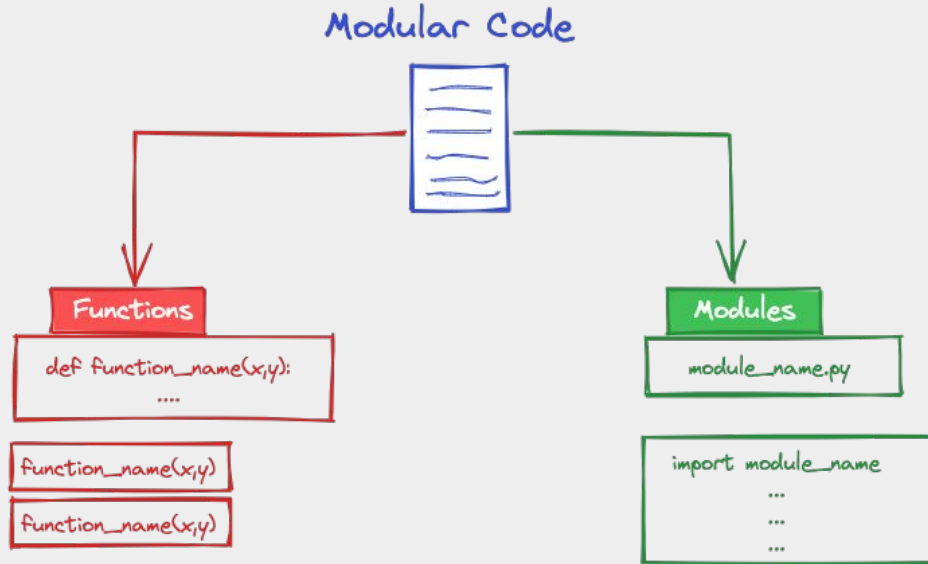


"It looks like you spilled orange juice on your shirt"

# Clean and Modular Code

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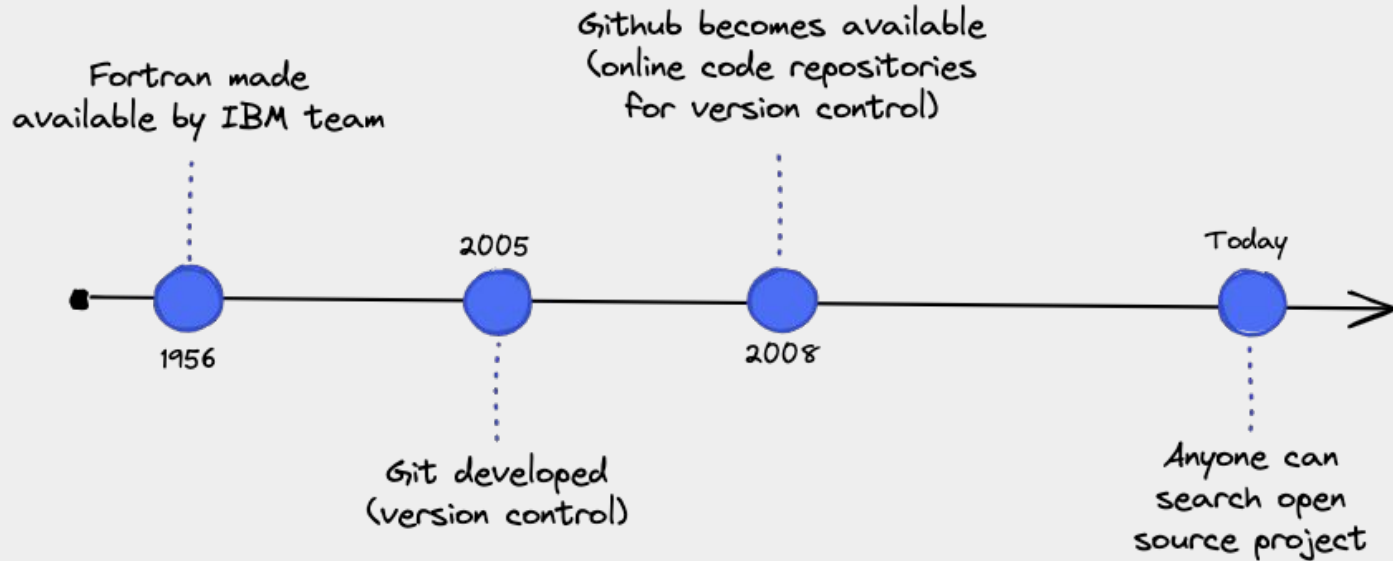
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Making your code modular makes it easier:  
a) reuse, b) write less code,  
c) read and d) collaborate on code.

# Clean and Modular Code

## History of Clean Code



# Clean and Modular Code

Writing Clean Code: use meaningful names vs use whitespace properly

```
# bady
# student test scores
s = [88, 92, 70, 93, 85]

# print mean of test scores
print(sum(s)/len(s))

# curve scores with square root method and store in new list
s1 = [x ** 0.5 * 10 for x in s]

# print mean of curved test scores
print(sum(s1)/len(s1))
```

```
# better
import math
import numpy as np

# student test scores
test_scores = [88, 92, 70, 93, 85]

# print mean of test scores
print(np.mean(test_scores))

# curve scores with square root method and store in new list
curved_test_scores = [math.sqrt(score) * 10 for score in test_scores]

# print mean of curved test scores
print(np.mean(curved_test_scores))
```



# Clean and Modular Code

Writing Clean Code: use meaningful names vs use whitespace properly

```
# bad

ages = [47, 12, 28, 52, 35]
for i, age in enumerate(ages):
    if age < 18:
        minor = True
        ages[i] = "minor"
# some other code
```

```
# better

age_list = [47, 12, 28, 52, 35]
for i, age in enumerate(age_list):
    if age < 18:
        is_minor = True
        age_list[i] = "minor"
# some other code
```

# Clean and Modular Code

Writing Clean Code: use meaningful names vs use whitespace properly

```
# bad
```

```
def count_unique_values_of_names_list_with_set(names_list):  
    return len(set(names_list))
```

```
# better
```

```
def count_unique_values(arr):  
    return len(set(arr))
```

# Clean and Modular Code

## Writing Modular Code

- DRY (Don't Repeat Yourself)
- Abstract out logic to improve readability
- Minimize the number of entities (functions, classes, modules, etc.)
- Functions should do one thing
- Arbitrary variable names can be more effective in certain functions
- Try to use fewer than three arguments per function

# Clean and Modular Code

## Writing Modular Code

```
# bady

s = [88, 92, 79, 93, 85]
print(sum(s)/len(s))

s1 = []
for x in s:
    s1.append(x+5)

print(sum(s1)/len(s1))

s2 = []
for x in s:
    s2.append(x+10)

print(sum(s2)/len(s2))

s3 = []
for x in s:
    s3.append(x ** 0.5 * 10)

print(sum(s3)/len(s3))
```

```
# little better

import math
import numpy as np

test_scores = [88, 92, 79, 93, 85]
print(np.mean(test_scores))

curved_5 = [score + 5 for score in test_scores]
print(np.mean(curved_5))

curved_10 = [score + 10 for score in test_scores]
print(np.mean(curved_10))

curved_sqrt = [math.sqrt(score) * 10 for score in test_scores]
print(np.mean(curved_sqrt))
```

# Clean and Modular Code

## Writing Modular Code

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s = [88, 92, 79, 93, 85]
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    s1.append(x+5)

print(sum(s1)/len(s1))

s2 = []
for x in s:
    s2.append(x+10)

print(sum(s2)/len(s2))

s3 = []
for x in s:
    s3.append(x ** 0.5 * 10)

print(sum(s3)/len(s3))
```

```
# better

import math
import numpy as np

def flat_curve(arr, n):
    return [i + n for i in arr]

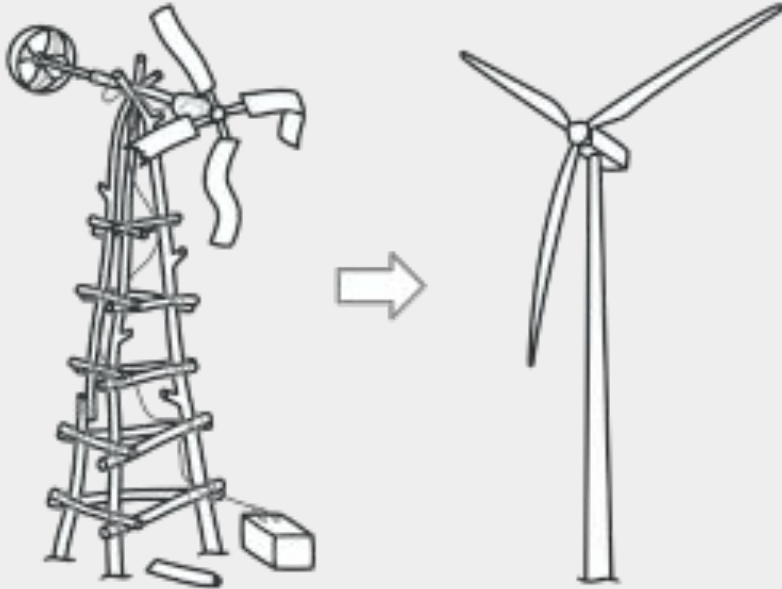
def square_root_curve(arr):
    return [math.sqrt(i) * 10 for i in arr]

test_scores = [88, 92, 79, 93, 85]
curved_5 = flat_curve(test_scores, 5)
curved_10 = flat_curve(test_scores, 10)
curved_sqrt = square_root_curve(test_scores)

for score_list in test_scores, curved_5, curved_10, curved_sqrt:
    print(np.mean(score_list))
```

# Refactoring Code

It could be difficult to know exactly what functions would best modularize



Restructuring code to improve internal structure without changing external functionality

# Efficient Code

Reducing runtime vs space in memory

Knowing how to write code that runs efficiently is another **essential skill in software development**. Optimizing code to be more efficient can mean making it:

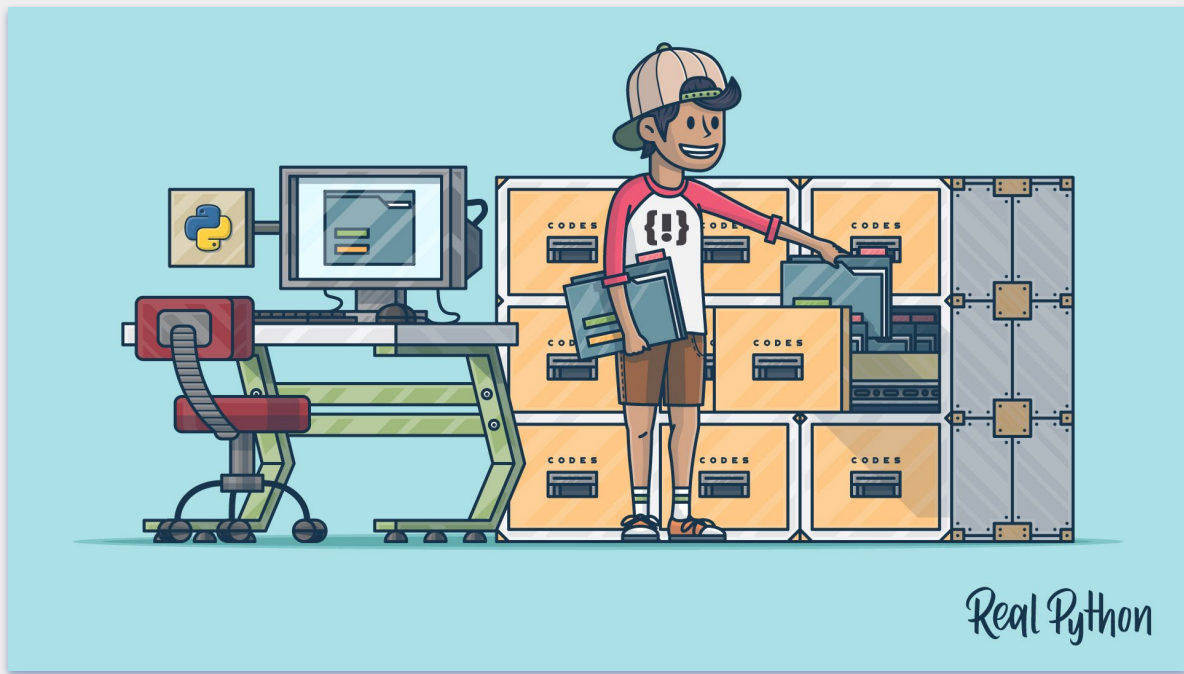
- Execute faster
- Take up less space in memory/storage

The project on which you're working determines which of these is more important to optimize for your company or product. When you're performing lots of different transformations on large amounts of data, this can make orders of magnitudes of difference in performance.

Exercises 02 and 03 !!!

# Documentation

Clarify complex parts, navigate easily,  
describe use and purpose of components

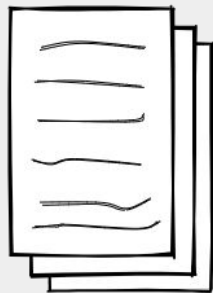
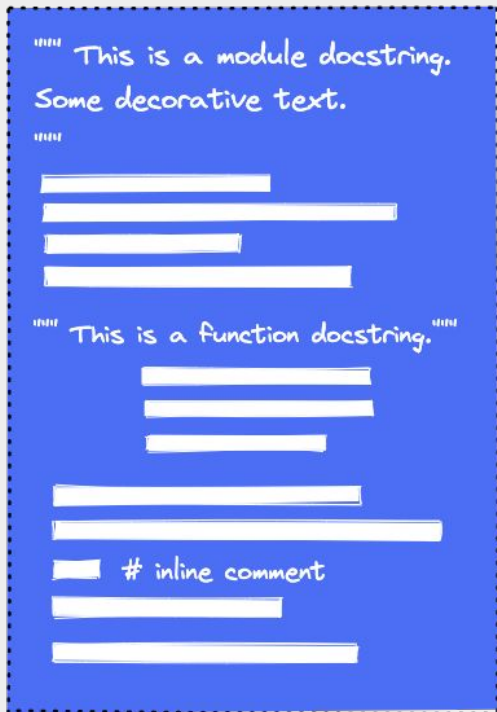


## Types of Documentation

- Line level
- Function or module level
- Project level



# Documentation



README.md



Comments are valuable for explaining where code cannot. For example, the history behind why a certain method was implemented a specific way. Sometimes an unconventional or seemingly arbitrary approach may be applied because of some obscure external variable causing side effects. These things are difficult to explain with code.

# Documentation

Docstring Conventions <https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0257/>

```
def population_density(population, land_area):  
    """Calculate the population density of an area."""  
    return population / land_area
```

```
def population_density(population, land_area):  
    """Calculate the population density of an area.  
  
    Args:  
        population: int. The population of the area  
        land_area: int or float. This function is unit-agnostic, if you pass in values  
in terms of square km or square miles the function will return a density in those  
units.  
  
    Returns:  
        population_density: population/land_area. The population density of a  
particular area.  
    """  
    return population / land_area
```

# Auto Python Enhancement Proposal (PEP-8)

Key points that you can use to make your code more organized and readable

<https://github.com/PyCQA/pycodestyle>

<https://github.com/PyCQA/pylint>

<https://pypi.org/project/autopep8/>

<https://github.com/nbQA-dev/nbQA>

Working on notebook cells, indicate changes

Working on command-line with python  
script, show a score

Working on command-line with python  
script, automatize the style

Working on notebook and script

# Lesson Conclusion

In this lesson, you learned 5 key factors to coding best practices:

1. Writing clean and modular code
2. Refactoring code
3. Optimizing code to be more efficient
4. Writing documentation
5. Following PEP8