

MPDA20

IP Introduction to Python

Workshop 15.01.2020

IP workshop overview

0. Python RECAP

- variables
- casting
- operators
- functions
- conditionals
- collections
- iteration

1. From Geometry to Computation

- Basic knowledge of the library
- Generation of base geometries
 - i. Points
 - ii. Lines
 - iii. Polylines
 - iv. Curves
 - v. Planes
 - vi. Vectors
- Transformations

why learn to code (if we are designers)?

1. Parametric design

Teaches you about geometry

Enables you to design otherwise impossible things

2. Automatization

Make repetitive tasks for big projects

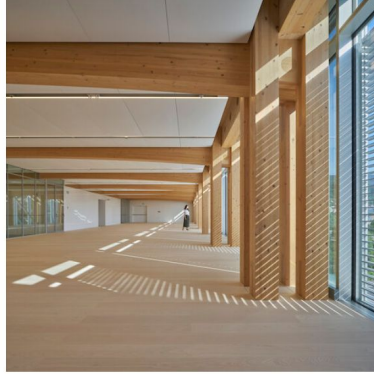
3. Interoperability

Ride the BIM wave

Revit, Blender, Unreal, etc...

These are very
desirable skills
in the **AEC** market
nowadays.

why learn to code (if we are designers)?



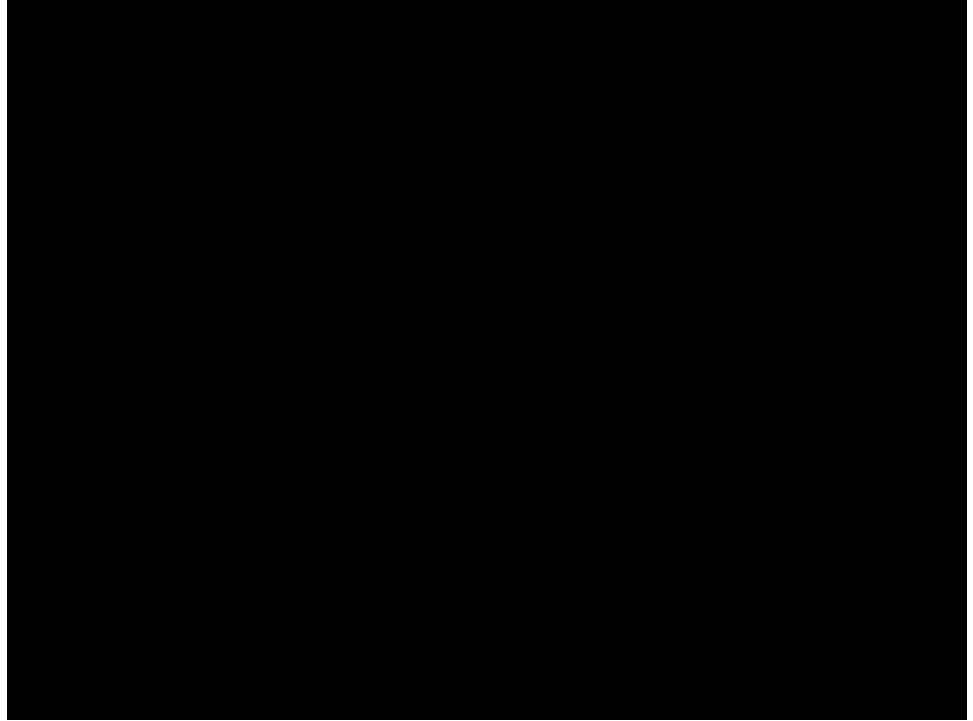
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Swatch headquarters

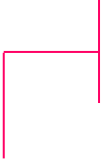
Basel/Biel

why python?

Python is perhaps the most used programming language nowadays, and has an extended community and it is used by organizations such as **Google**, **NASA**, the **CIA**, and **Disney**.



what is python?

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1. readability: closer to human language than machine language
 2. portability: can be used in many machines.

Python is a **high-level** programming language, with applications in numerous areas, including web programming, scripting, scientific computing, and artificial intelligence.

flavours of python

Python is an interpreted language, so it has many implementations:

CPython : baseline implementation of python language

Python 2.7 : legacy

Python 3.X : current development

Jython : runs python for JVM (Java virtual machine)

IronPython : based on CPython 2.7

: runs python in Microsoft CLR (.NET framework) >>> **Rhino**

TrumpScript : make python great again!

other (cool) uses of python

1. Web Development: frontend and backend
2. Game Development: PyGame
3. Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence: Tensorflow
4. Data Science and Visualization: NumPy & SciPy
5. Web Scraping: Scrappy & BeautifulSoup
6. Robotics: Linux/Raspi

python RECAP

variables

a = 242

variable name

assignment

value (has a **type**)

(forbidden) keywords

and	break
del	except
from	import
not	print
while	class
as	exec
elif	in
global	raise
or	continue
with	finally
assert	is
else	return
if	def
pass	for
yield	lambda
	try

variable types

int	542	: an integer number
float	5.42	: a decimal number (so to speak)
string	"542"	: text (a list of characters)
bool	<i>True</i> or <i>False</i>	: to be or not to be
None	no value	: a placeholder

type casting

```
var = type(var)
```

```
a = 542
```

```
#assign 542 to a
```

```
print type(a)
```

```
>>> <type 'int'>
```

```
b = str(a)
```

```
#cast from int to str type
```

```
print type(b)
```

```
>>> <type 'str'>
```

operators

addition	+	<code>20 + 45</code>
subtraction	-	<code>1 - 1</code>
multiplication	*	<code>hour*60+minute</code>
division	/	<code>minute/60</code>
exponentiation	**	<code>5**2</code>
modulus	%	<code>10%3</code>
hierarchy	()	<code>(5+9) * (15-7)</code>

boolean operators

equality	==	$x==y$
inequality	!=	$x!=y$
greater than	>	$x>y$
less than	<	$x<y$
greater or equal	>=	$x>=y$
less or equal	<=	$x<=y$

logical operators

logical **AND**

and

x and y

logical **OR**

or

x or y

logical **NOT**

not

not(x and y)

identity

is

x is y

inclusion

in

x in y

conditionals

if(condition):

do something

elif(condition):

do another thing

else:

do something else

if(x>0):

print "x is a positive number"

elif(x<0):

print "x is a negative number"

else:

print "x is equal to zero"

lists

numbers = [3, 4, 5, 6]

index

0 1 2 3

list name

value

list

NUMBERS

index 0 = 3
index 1 = 4
index 2 = 5
index 3 = 6

lists

```
list = []
```

```
#initialize empty list
```

```
list = [5.2, 10, "dog"]
```

```
#initialize list with variables
```

```
list[2]
```

```
#gets the item at index 2 >>> 'dog'
```

```
list[-2]
```

```
#gets the item at index -2 >>> 10
```

```
list.append(5)
```

```
#add item 5 to the end list
```

```
list.insert(2, "fish")
```

```
#inserts "fish" at index 2
```

```
list.pop(0)
```

```
#remove item 0 from the list
```

```
list.reverse()
```

```
#reverses the list
```

lists slices

```
list = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]           #initialize list with 5 items

list2 = list[:]                  #copy list into list2

print list[3:]                   #gets items after index 3 >>>[3, 4]

print list[:1]                   #gets items before index >>>[0, 1]

print list[2:4]                  #gets items between i. 2 and 4 >>>[2, 3]
```

lists functions

cmp	Compares elements of both lists	cmp (list1, list2)
len	Returns the total length of the list	len (list)
max	Returns item from the list with max value	max (list)
min	Returns item from the list with min value	min (list)
seq	Converts a tuple into list	list (seq)

more list functions: https://www.tutorialspoint.com/python/list_list.htm

ranges

sequences. start from 0

`a = range(0, 1, 2)`

Diagram illustrating the parameters of the `range` function:

- `0` is labeled **start**
- `1` is labeled **stop**
- `2` is labeled **step**

<code>range(5)</code>	Creates a list of 10 consecutive elements	<code>[0, 1, 2, 3, 4,]</code>
<code>range(2, 7)</code>	Creates a list from 2 to 7 (not including 7)	<code>[2, 3, 4, 5, 6]</code>
<code>range(0, 10, 2)</code>	Creates a list of even numbers from 0 to 10	<code>[0, 2, 3, 4, 8]</code>
<code>range(10, 0, -2)</code>	Creates a descending list of evens from 10-0	<code>[10, 8, 6, 4, 2]</code>

iteration: for loops

iterating item collection

|

|

```
for item in list:
```

```
    print item
```

iteration: for loops

```
iterating variable      a list from 0 to 9:  
                        [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]  
                        |  
for i in range(10):  
    print i
```

prints:

0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9

iteration: for loops

```
aList = [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
```

```
    for i in aList:
```

```
        print i
```

prints:

0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9

iteration: for loops

```
aList = [a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j]
```

```
    for i in aList:
```

```
        print i
```

prints:

a
b
c
d
e
f
g
h
i
j

iteration: for loops

```
aList = [a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j]

for i in range(len(aList)):

    print aList[i]
```

prints:

a
b
c
d
e
f
g
h
i
j

iteration: nested for loops

```
iterating variable
|
for i in range(10):
    a list from 0 to 9:
    [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
    |
    for j in range(10):
        another list from 0 to 9:
        [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
        |
        print(i,j)
```

iteration: nested for loops

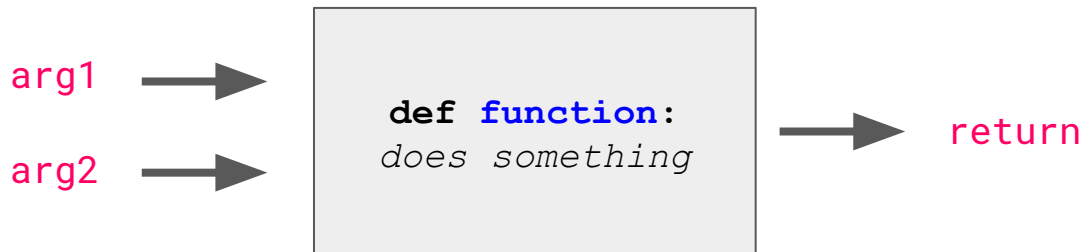
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iteration: nested for loops

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functions

a Grasshopper component, sort of...



functions

```
def function(argument1, argument2):           #non-fruitful  
  
    print argument1, argument2
```

```
def function(argument1, argument2):           #fruitful: returns  
    something  
  
    output = argument1 + argument2  
  
    return output
```

modules

import

`import` Rhino

from...import

`from` Rhino `import` Geometry

from...import*

`from` Rhino `import` *

reload()

`reload`(Rhino)

globals()

`globals`()

locals()

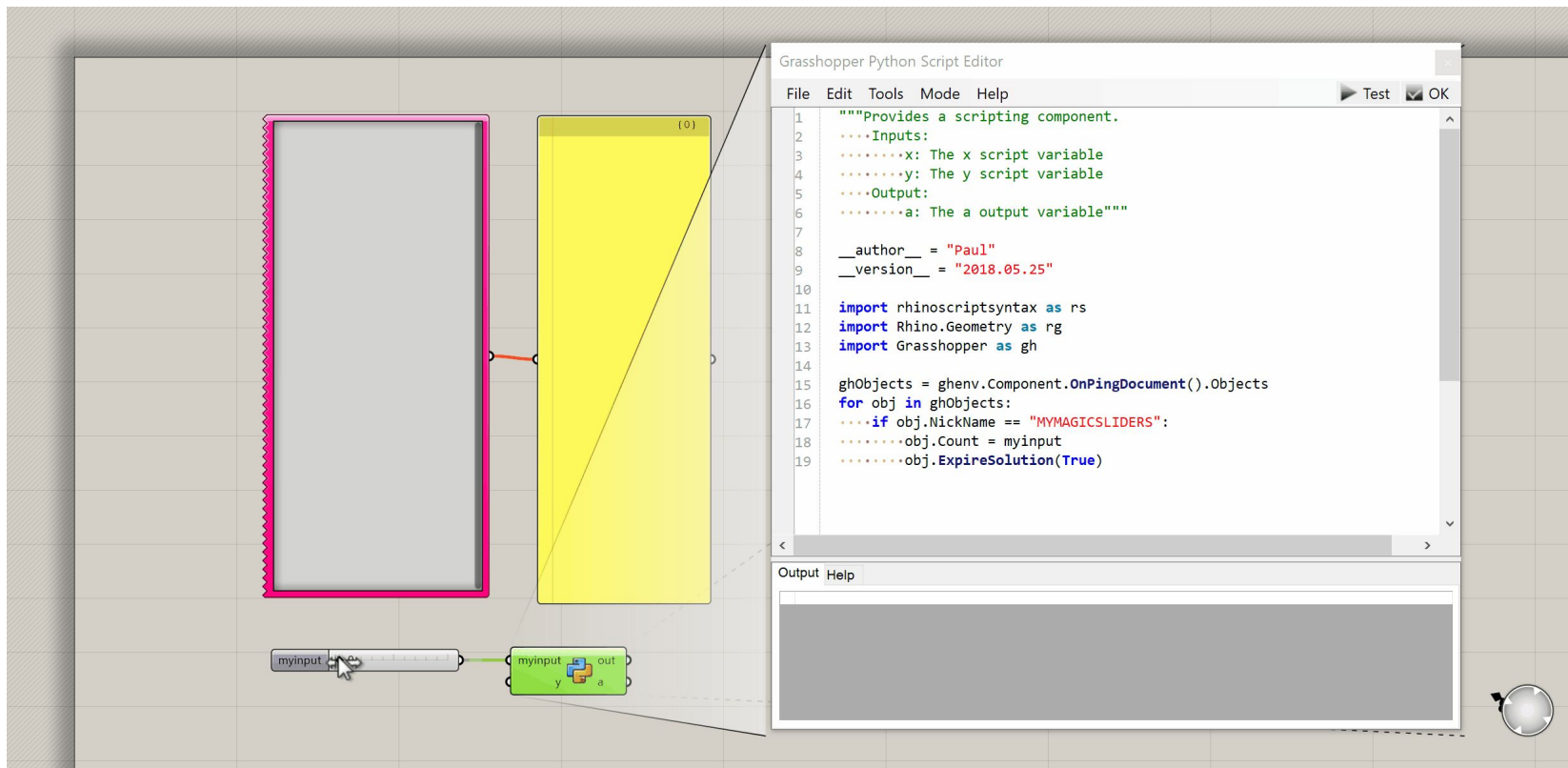
`locals`()

basic modules: math and random

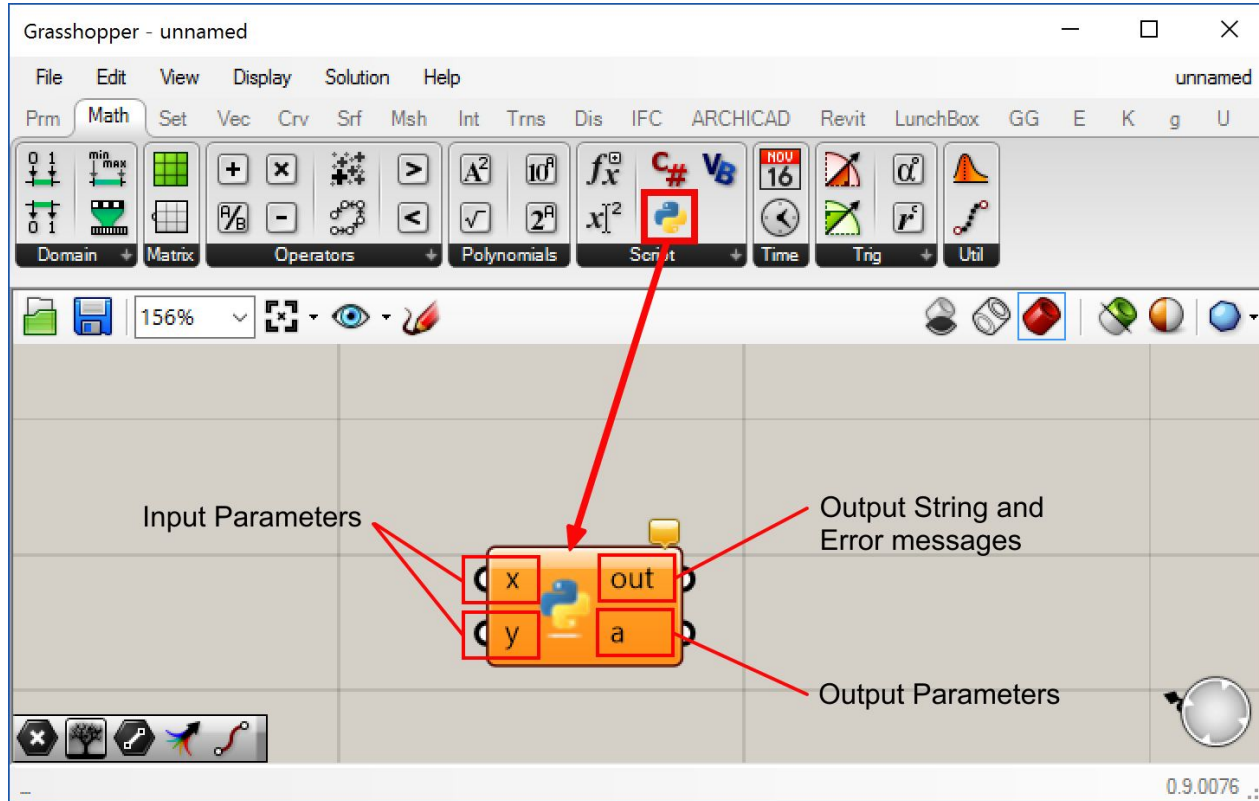
import math	math.sin()	:sine of an angle
	math.cos()	:cosine of an angle
	math.pi()	:constant of pi
import random	random.uniform()	:random float between 0 and 1
	random.randint(0,1)	:random int. between 0 and 10

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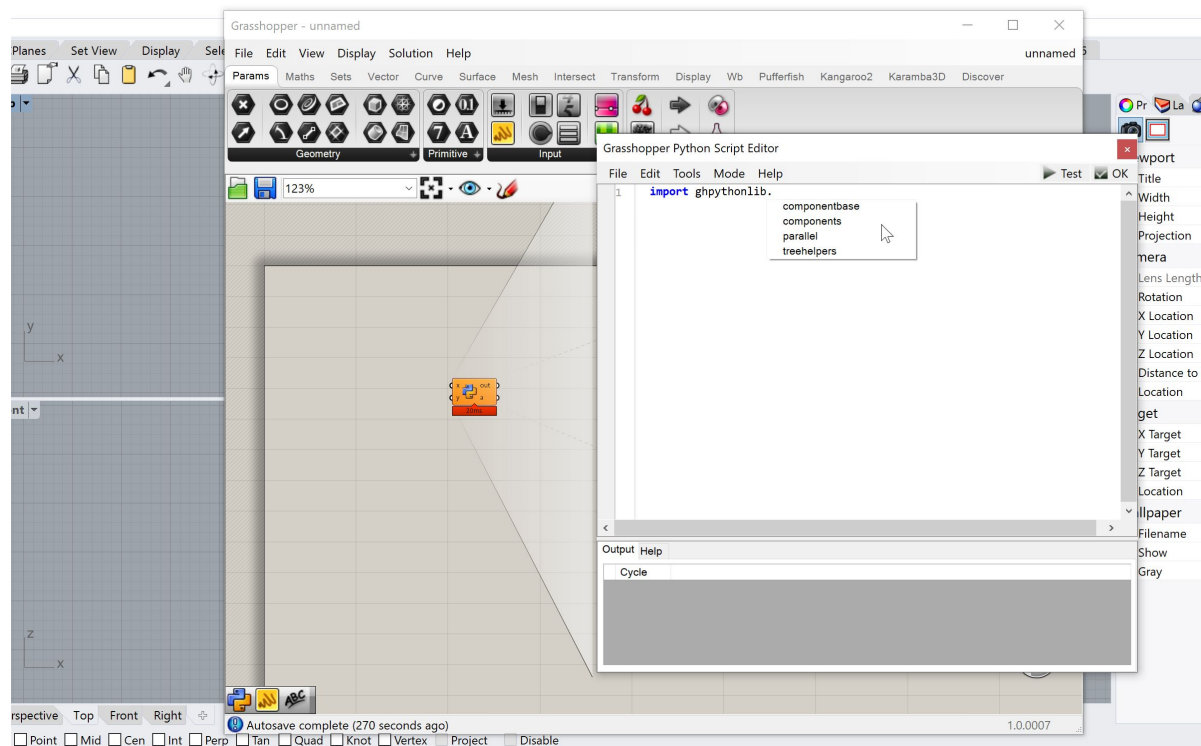
anatomy of python component



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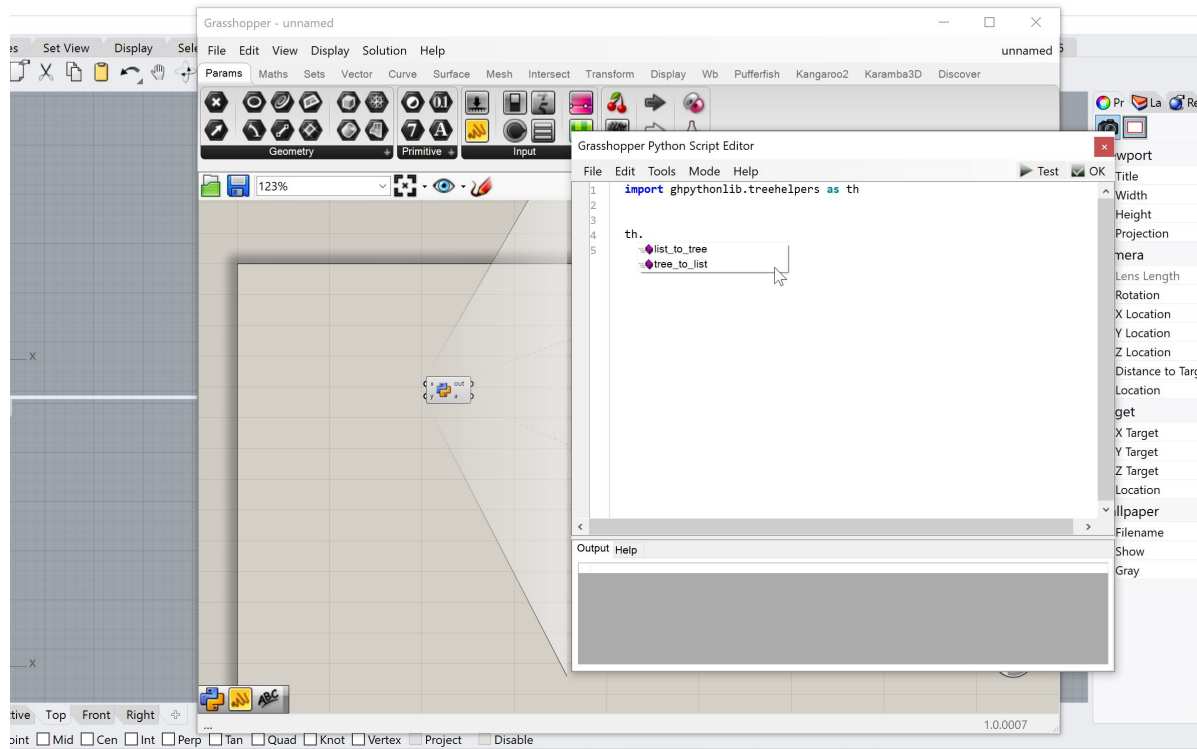
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```
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j=Off ); (  
on\AppData\Local\Temp\TempScript.py
```



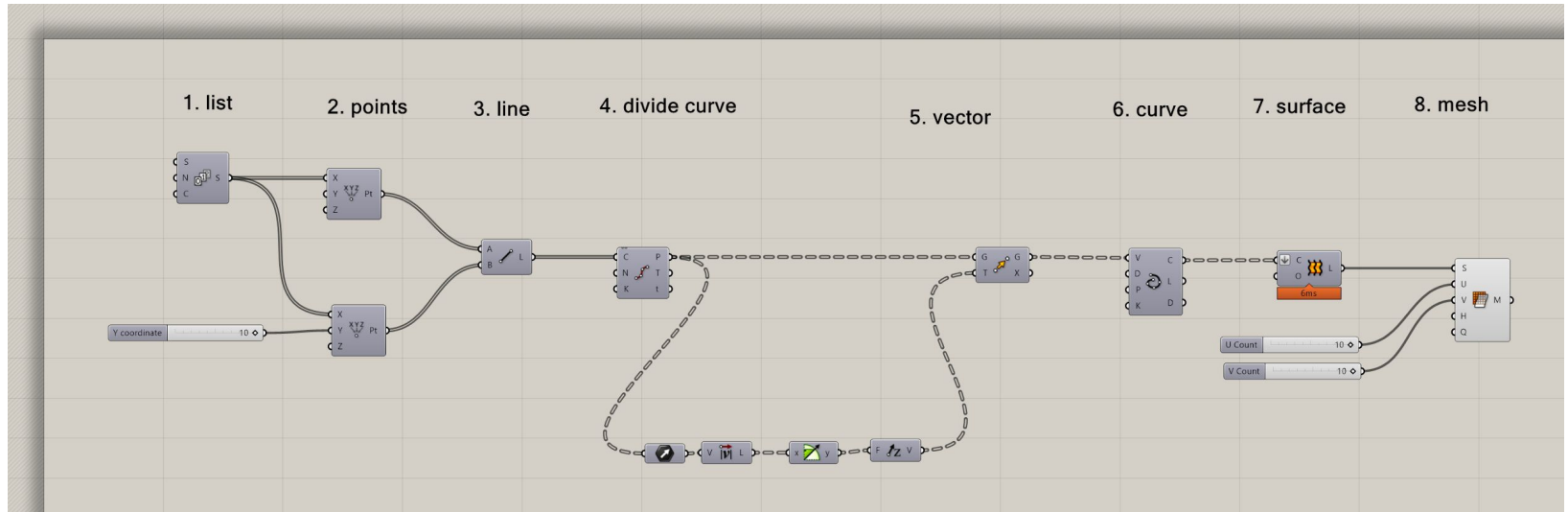
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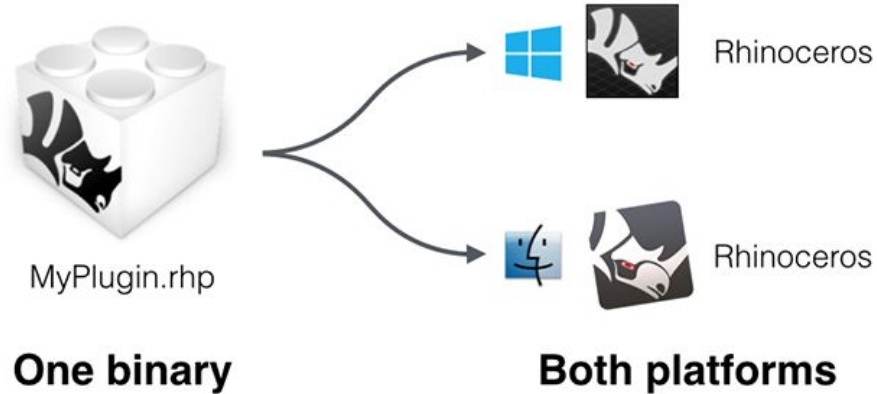
from grasshopper to python



<https://github.com/dadandroid/MPDA20/>

from Geometry to Computation

what is rhinocommon?



RhinoCommon is the SDK for **Rhino, Grasshopper, python...** built atop the portions of the .NET framework that are **common** on both Windows and macOS.

RhinoCommon allows developers to run .NET code on both Rhino for Windows and Rhino for Mac.

▸ [RhinoCommon API](#)▸ [Namespaces](#)▾ [Rhino.Geometry](#)▸ [AngularDimension Class](#)▸ [AnnotationBase Class](#)[AnnotationType Enumeration](#)▸ [Arc Structure](#)▸ [ArcCurve Class](#)▸ [AreaMassProperties Class](#)▸ [Arrowhead Class](#)▸ [BezierCurve Class](#)[BlendContinuity Enumeration](#)[BlendType Enumeration](#)▸ [BoundingBox Structure](#)▸ [Box Structure](#)▸ [Brep Class](#)▸ [BrepEdge Class](#)▸ [BrepFace Class](#)[BrepFace.ShrinkDisableSide Enumeration](#)▸ [BrepLoop Class](#)[BrepLoopType Enumeration](#)▸ [BrepRegion Class](#)▸ [BrepRegionFaceSide Class](#)[BrepSolidOrientation Enumeration](#)▸ [BrepTrim Class](#)[BrepTrimType Enumeration](#)

Rhino.Geometry Namespace

The Geometry namespace contains geometric types used in Rhino. Examples are lines, curves, meshes and boundary representations.

▾ Classes

	Class	Description
	AngularDimension	Represents a dimension of an entity that can be measured with an angle.
	AnnotationBase	Provides a common base class to all annotation geometry. This class refers to the geometric element that is independent from the document.
	ArcCurve	Represent arcs and circles. ArcCurve.IsCircle returns true if the curve is a complete circle.
	AreaMassProperties	Contains static initialization methods and allows access to the computed metrics of area, area centroid and area moments in closed planar curves, in meshes, in surfaces, in hatches and in boundary representations.
	Arrowhead	Arrowhead used by annotation
	BezierCurve	Represents a Bezier curve. Note: as an exception, the bezier curve is not derived from Curve .
	Brep	Boundary Representation. A surface or polysurface along with trim curve information.
	BrepEdge	Represents a single edge curve in a Brep object.

rhinocommon vs rhinoscriptsyntax

- Rhinoscriptsyntax methods call into rhinocommon.
- For complex calculations, Rhinocommon can be faster than Rhinoscriptsyntax, and its functionality is more extended.
- Rhinoscriptsyntax requires less typing, better for interacting with Rhino

`mix n' match` approach!

rhino.geometry

```
import Rhino.Geometry as rg
```

rg.Point3d

rg.Curve

rg.Line

rg.Surface

rg.Polyline

rg.Brep

rg.Circle

rg.Mesh

rg.Plane

transformations

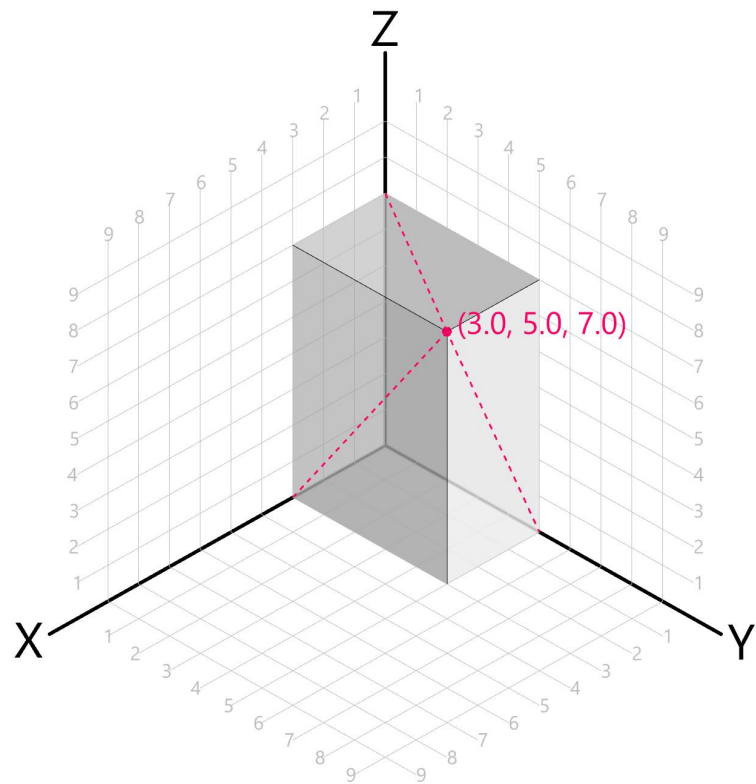
rg.Vector

reference

<http://developer.rhino3d.com/api/RhinoCommon/>

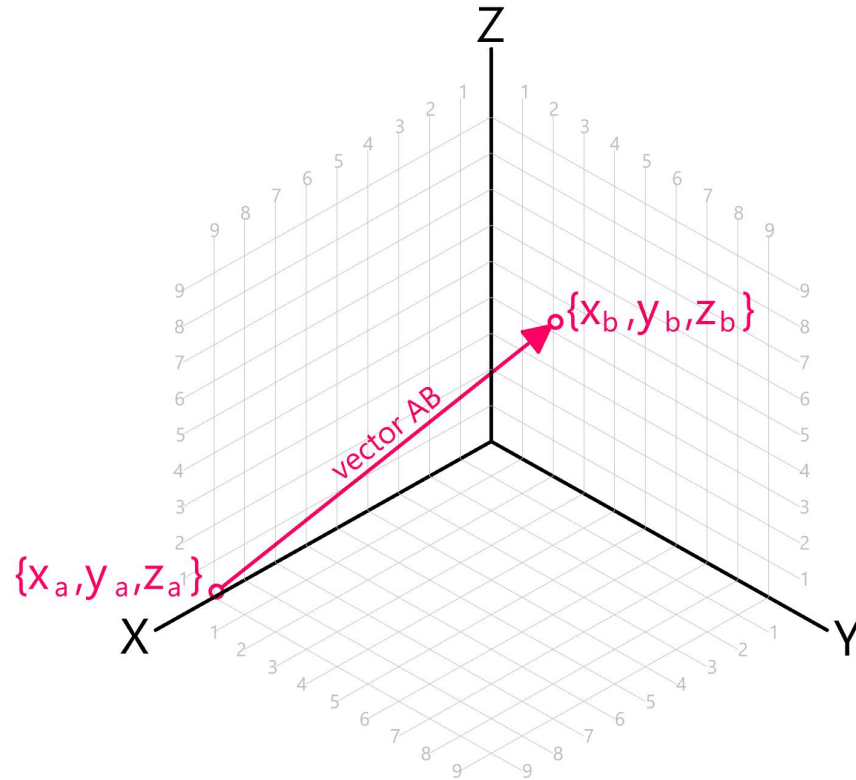
rg.Point3d

`rg.Point3d(float x, float y, float z)`



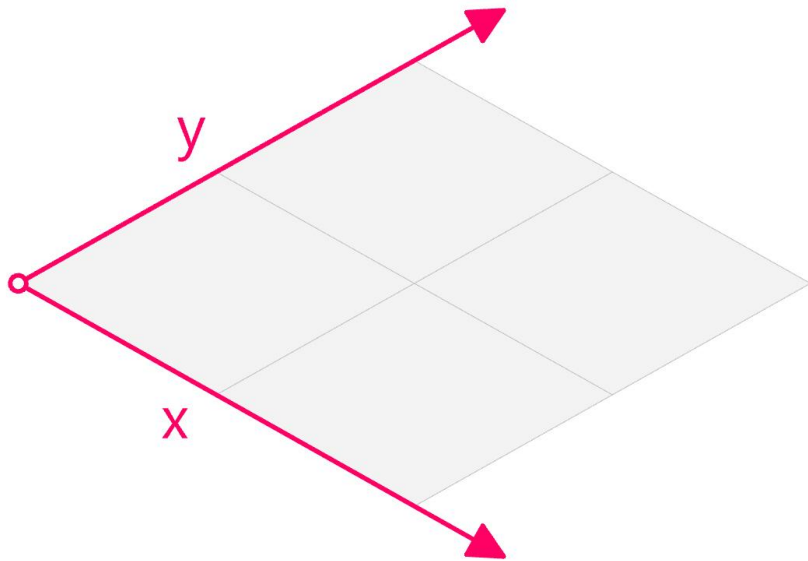
rg.Vector3d

`rg.Vector3d(float x, float y, float z)`

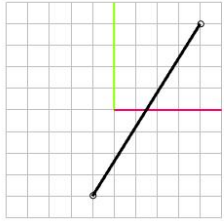


rg.Planes

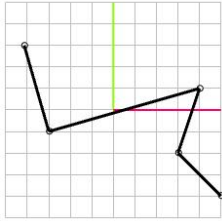
`rg.Plane(Origin Point3d, xDirection Vector3d, yDirection Vector3d)`



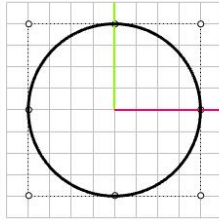
Curve types



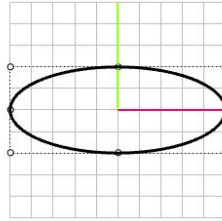
Line



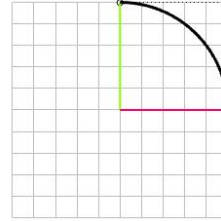
Polyline



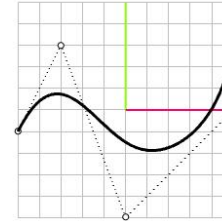
Circle



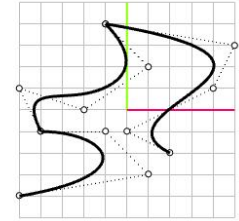
Ellipse



Arc



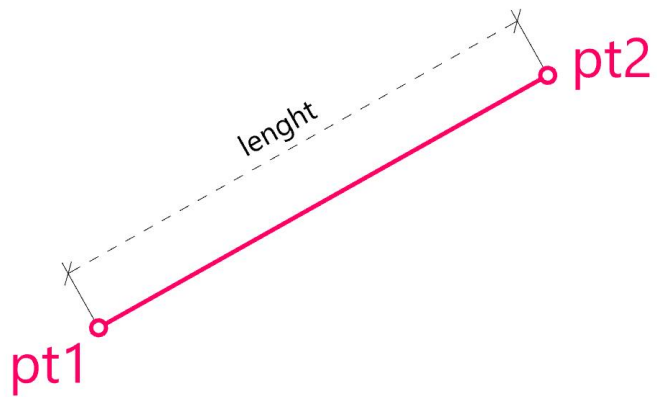
NURBS Curve



Polycurve

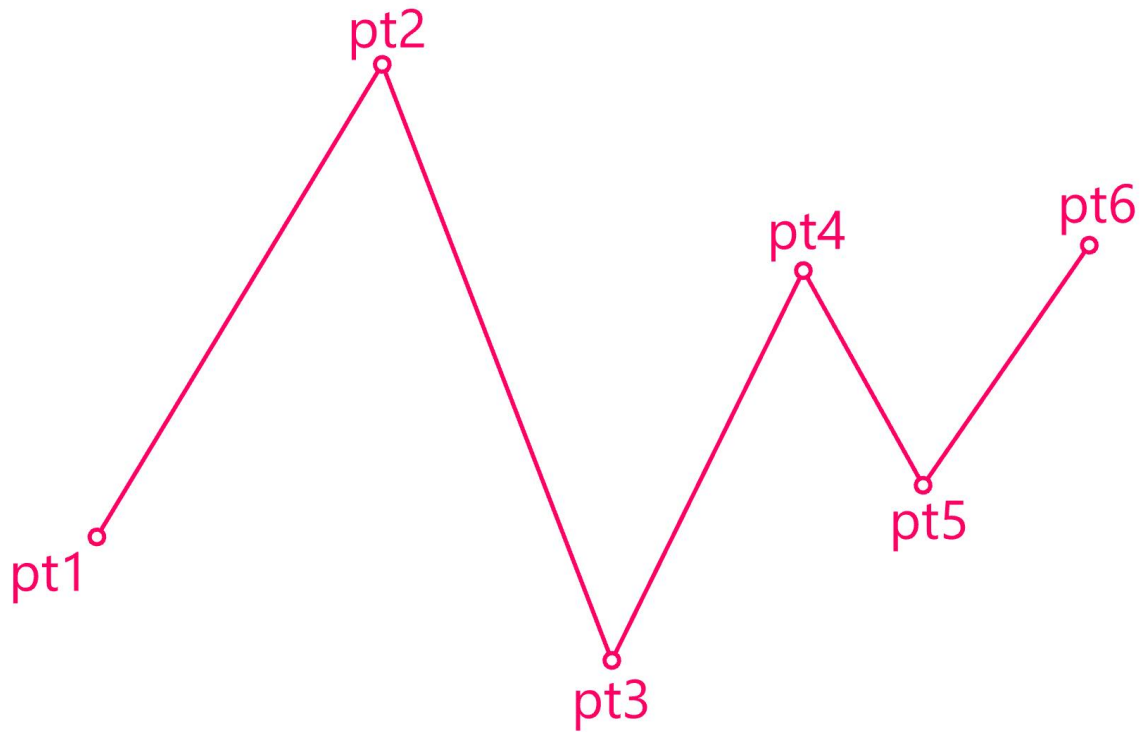
rg.Line

`rg.Line(start Point3d, end Point3d)`



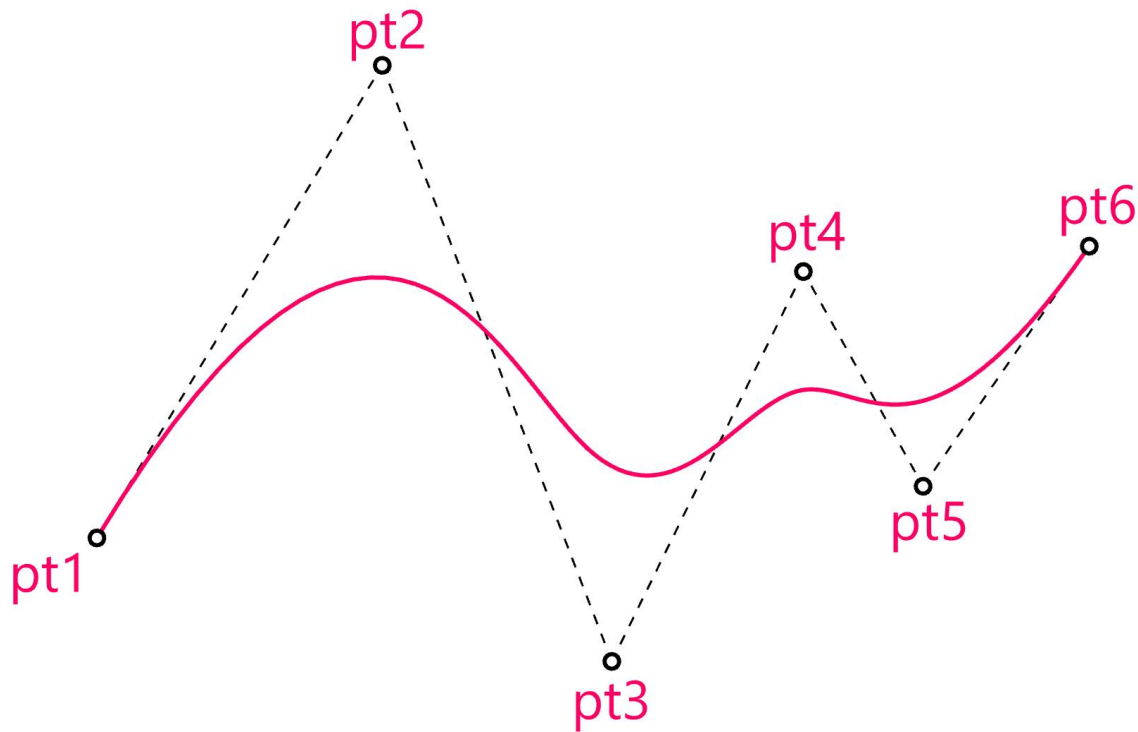
rg.Polyline

`rg.Polyline([list of Point3d])`



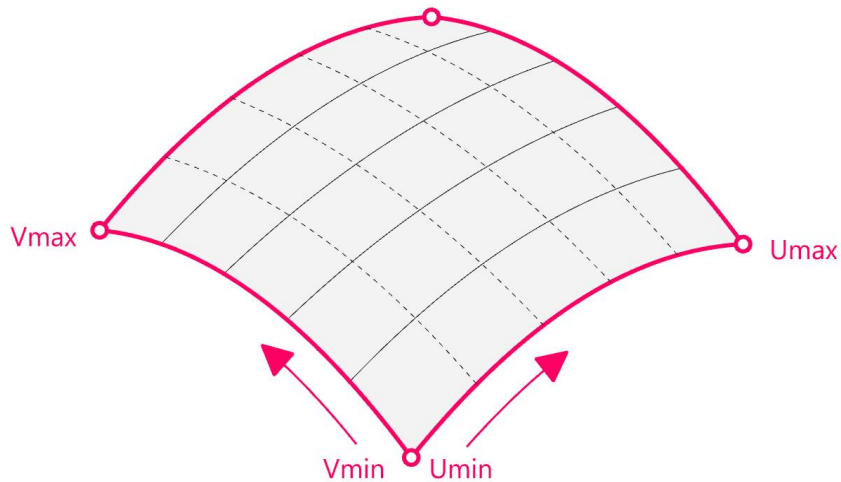
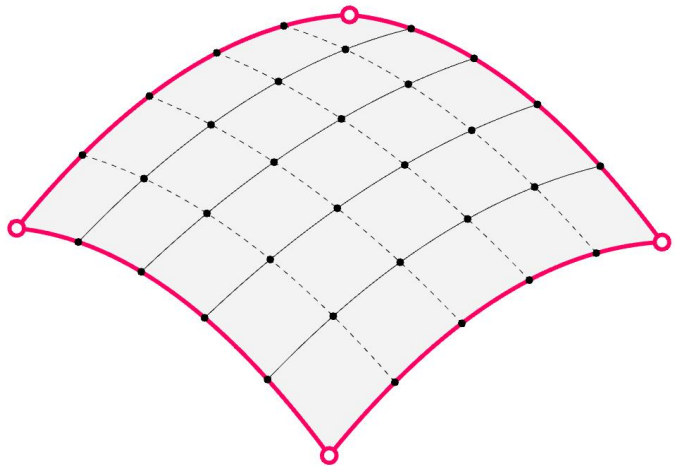
rg.Curve

`rg.NurbsCurve.Create(periodic bool, degree int, [list of Point3d])`



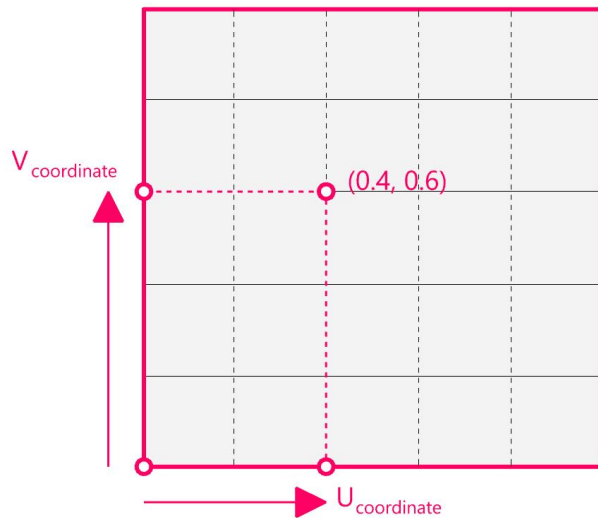
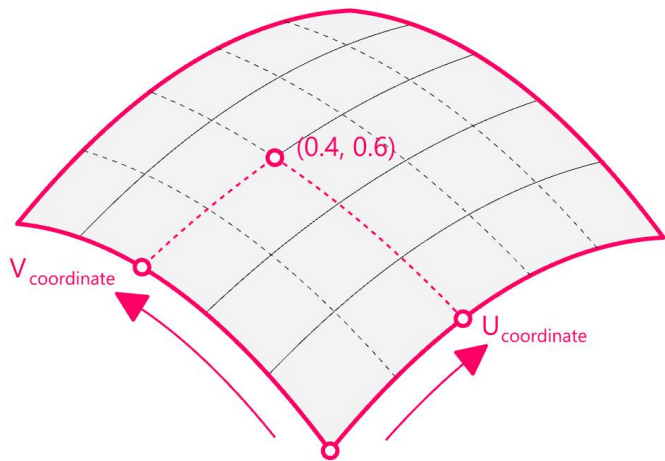
rg.Surface

```
rg.NurbsSurface.CreateThroughPoints([list of Point3d], uCount int,  
vCount int, uDegree int, vDegree int, uClosed bool, vClosed bool)
```

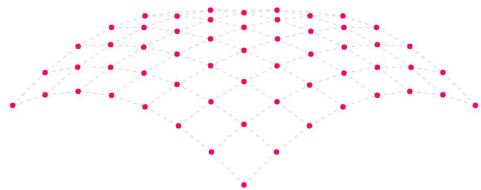
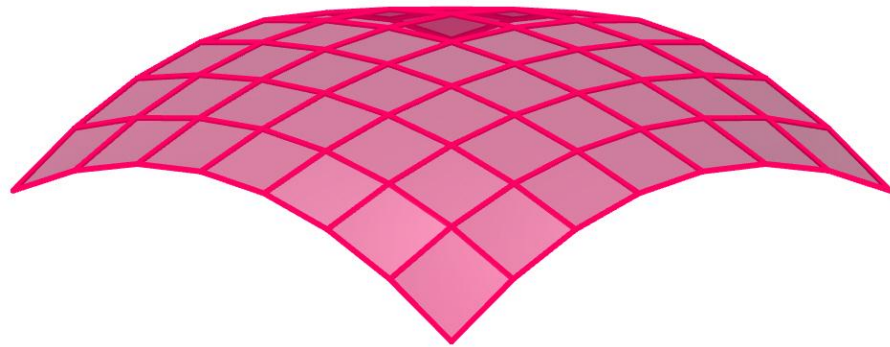


rg.Surface

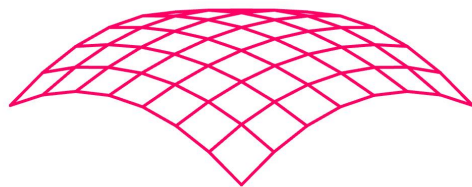
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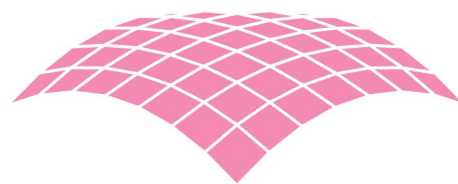
rg.Mesh



**Mesh
Vertices**

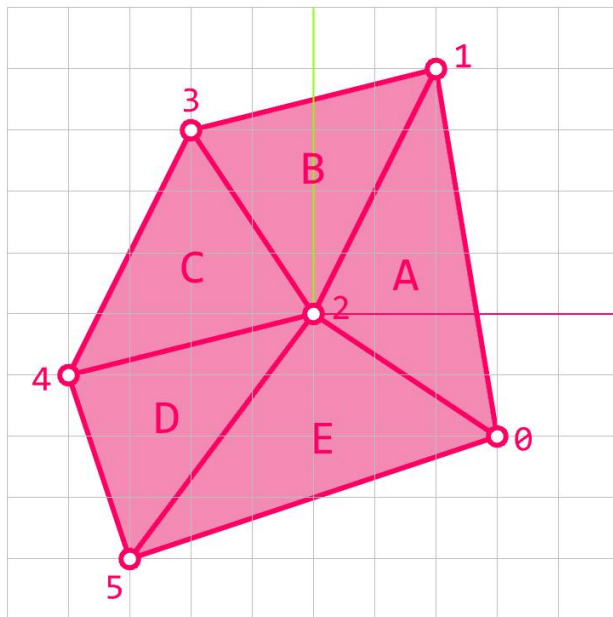


**Mesh
Edges**



**Mesh
Faces**

rg.Mesh



Vertex List

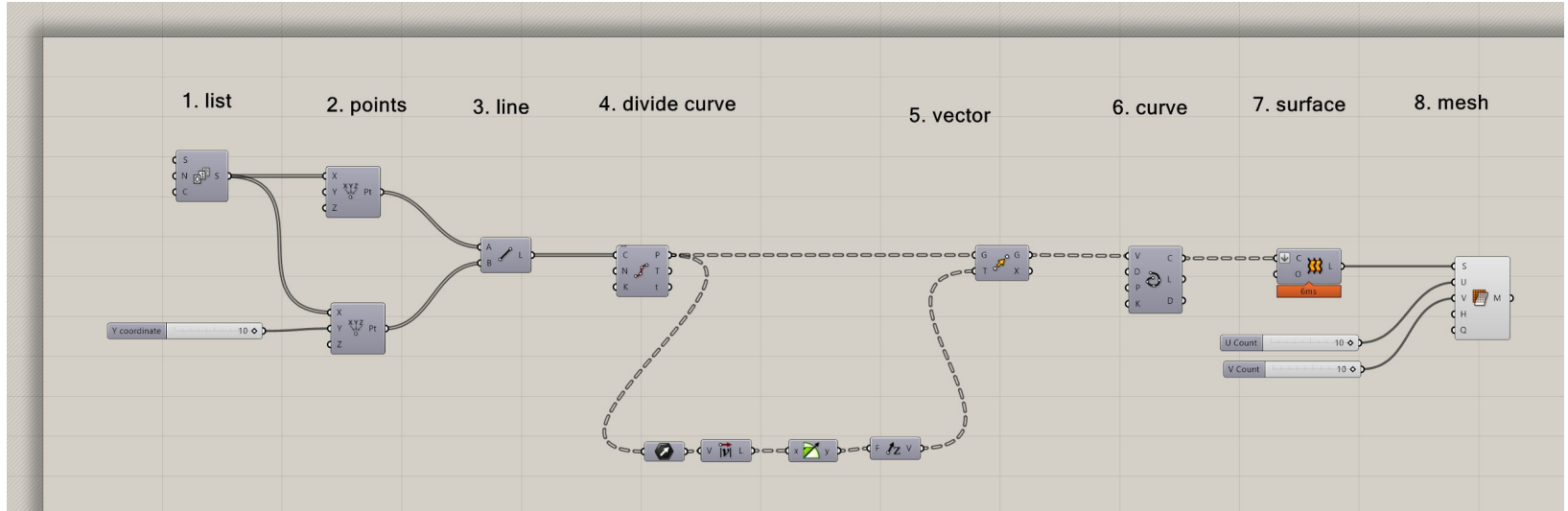
$0 = (3.0, -2.0, 0.0)$
 $1 = (2.0, 4.0, 0.0)$
 $2 = (0.0, 0.0, 0.0)$
 $3 = (-2.0, 3.0, 0.0)$
 $4 = (-4.0, -1.0, 0.0)$
 $5 = (-3.0, -4.0, 0.0)$

Face List

$A = \{0, 2, 1\}$
 $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 $C = \{3, 2, 4\}$
 $D = \{4, 2, 5\}$
 $E = \{5, 2, 0\}$

exercise 02:

from gh to python using Rhinocommon



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