

Python

Class 1

Introduction to Python

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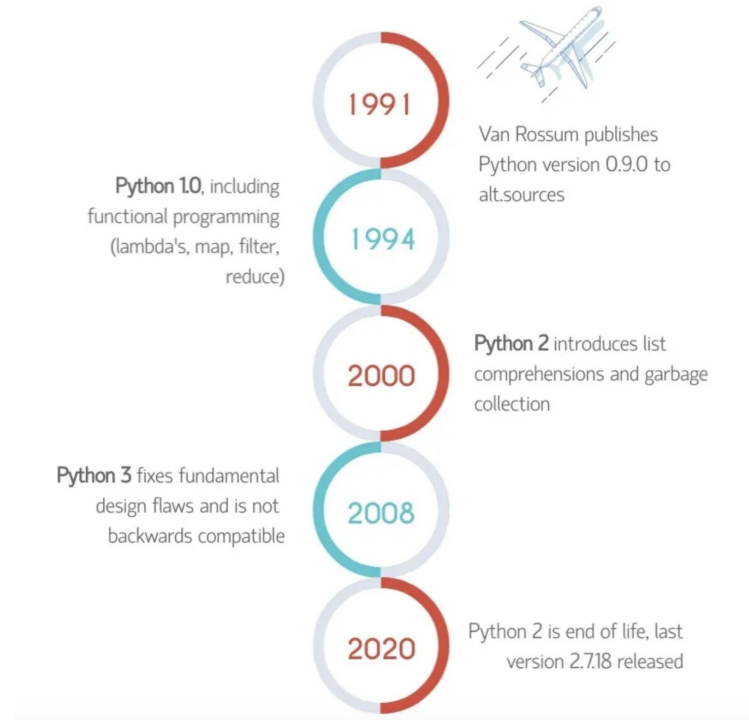
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Overview of Python

Python History

- Created by Guido van Rossum, released in 1991
- Named after "Monty Python's Flying Circus"





Key Features

- High-level: Simplifies complex programming tasks
- Interpreted: Runs code line-by-line, which helps debugging
- Dynamically Typed: No need to declare variable types
- Object-Oriented: Supports classes and objects
- Extensive Standard Library: Includes modules for various tasks like web development, data analysis, and more



Community and Support

- Large and active community
- Comprehensive documentation
- Abundance of third-party libraries and frameworks

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Why Learn Python?



Versatile Language

- Web Development: Frameworks like **Django** and **Flask**
- Data Science and Machine Learning: Libraries like **Pandas**, **NumPy**, **TensorFlow**
- Automation and Scripting: Automate repetitive tasks
- Software Development: GUI applications, game development (Pygame)
- Internet of Things (IoT): Microcontrollers like Raspberry Pi



Ease of Learning

- Simple and readable syntax
- Ideal for beginners
- Extensive educational resources available



Popular and In-Demand

- Consistently ranked as one of the top programming languages
- Widely used in industry-leading companies (Google, Netflix, NASA)
- Strong community support and continuous development

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Setting Up

Installing Python

- Download from <https://www.python.org/>
- Try to install on your own. It's easy!
- Step-by-step installation guide:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB2rGSPI-zI>
- Verifying the installation via command line (python -version)



Setting Up an IDE

- Recommendations:
 - PyCharm: Professional features for larger projects
 - **VS Code**: Lightweight and highly customizable (what we'll use)
- Configuring your IDE for Python development

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First Python Script



Hello, World!

Basic Syntax

- `print("Hello, World!")`
- `input()`
- Running a Python script from the command line



Script Structure

- Comments (# for single-line comments)
- Indentation for blocks of code

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The Basics



Data Types

- Integers: Whole numbers (e.g., `x = 5`)
- Floats: Decimal numbers (e.g., `y = 3.14`)
- Strings: Text data (e.g., `name = "Python"`)
- Booleans: True/False values (e.g., `is_active = True`)

All Data Types

Data Types	Classes	Description
Numeric	int, float, complex	holds numeric values
String	str	holds sequence of characters
Sequence	list, tuple, range	holds collection of items
Mapping	dict	holds data in key-value pair form
Boolean	bool	holds either <code>True</code> or <code>False</code>
Set	set, frozenset	hold collection of unique items

Variables

- Assigning values: $a = 10$
- Naming conventions: Use lowercase letters and underscores (e.g., *user_name*)

Arithmetic Operators

Taking $a = 10$ and $b = 20$,

+	Addition	$a + b = 30$
-	Subtraction	$a - b = -10$
*	Multiplication	$a * b = 200$
/	Division	$b / a = 2$
%	Modulus	$b \% a = 0$
**	Exponent	$a ** b = 10 ** 20 = 10^2$
//	Floor Division	$9 // 2 = 4$

Comparison Operators

==	Equal	(a == b) is not true.
!=	Not equal	(a != b) is true.
>	Greater than	(a > b) is not true.
<	Less than	(a < b) is true.
>=	Greater than or equal to	(a >= b) is not true.
<=	Less than or equal to	(a <= b) is true.
==	Equal	(a == b) is not true.

Logical Operations

and	AND	a and b
or	OR	a or b
not	NOT	not(a)



Conditional Statements

- `if...elif...else`

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Python in Action



Let's see some basic codes!

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Recap and Q&A



Recap

- Overview of Python and its features
- Setting up the environment
- Writing basic Python scripts
- Understanding data types and variables



Open floor for questions and clarifications

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To-do at Home



Requirements

- Install Python and set up your IDE
- Write a Python script and play around

Problem to Solve 1

Take the heights of your 2 friends (in inches) as input and print their average height!

Example:

height_1 = 68

height_2 = 70

This should print 69

(Hint: use variables to take inputs)

Bonus: Print the average height in ft and inch format (5'7")

Problem to Solve 2

Take two numbers as input, print “*Genjam*” if one is negative and one is positive. Else print “Thik Ase”

Example:

input_1 = -5

input_2 = 7

This should print *Genjam*

(Hint: use conditionals with logical operators)

Problem to Solve 3

Just print your name. That's it.



Script review in the next class

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