

Introduction to Python

Elements of Applied Data Security

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Outline

- Lab's objectives and modalities
- Python: what and why.
- Development Environment: Jupyter
- Let's get started

Objectives

1. Hands on methods and algorithms explained in the theory lessons
 - Focus on concepts and working principles
 - Minor concerns on implementation details
2. Get experienced with Python programming language
 - Start with the basics (assuming you have C/C++ background)

How it works

1. Python Tutorial

- Soft start with Python

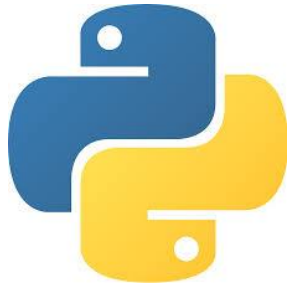
2. Tasks

- Once a week, you will be assigned a task to work on
- We will go through solutions all together
- No marks

3. Final Project

- Implementation + brief explanation (as a report or presentation)
- You can work in groups (max 4 students) but the assessment is individual.
- Mark is Pass/Fail. Pass is required to access to the theory exam.

Python



Python

Python is an Interpreted and Object-Oriented Programming Language.

WHY Python?

- Simple syntax
- Very flexible
- Highly extensible
- Cross-platform
- Open-source with a huge community

Google says: *Python where we can, C++ where we must*

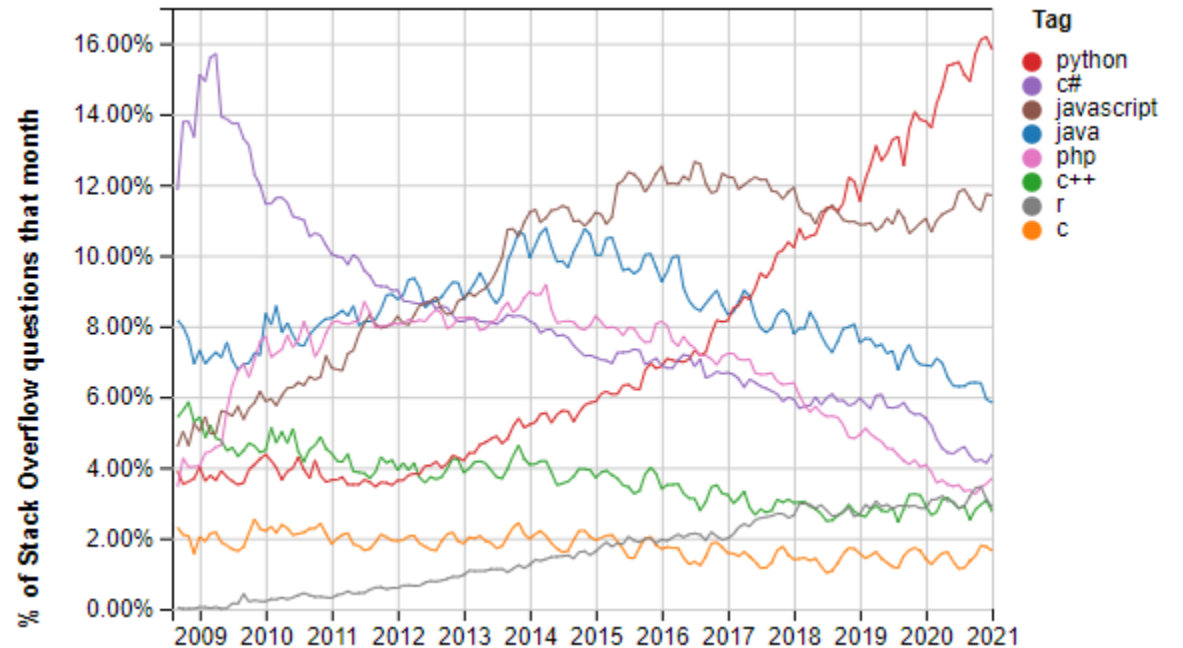
A bit of History

- It is not so recent, since it was conceived in the late 1980s and implemented in 90s by [Guido van Rossum](#).
- Name is a tribute to [Monty Python](#) (a British surreal comedy group) indeed, as metasyntactic variables spam and eggs preferred to the traditional foo and bar
- **Python 2.0** released on Oct 2000, not supported since 01/2020
- **Python 3.0** released on Dec 2008
- **Last release is 3.9.1** on Dec 2020 (<https://www.python.org/downloads/>)

Here a great Hackaday's post: [Stop using Python2: What you need to know about Python3](#)

Popularity

- According to StackOverflow's [survey](#) and [trends](#) Python among all programming languages is the:
 - **1st** most questioned
 - **4th** most used
behind JavaScript, HTML/CSS, and SQL
 - **2nd** most loved
behind Rust
 - **1st** most wanted
developers who do not yet use it say they want to learn it



Applications

- Web and Internet Development
- Scientific and Numeric
- Education
- Desktop GUIs
- Software Development
- Business Applications

Basically anything, like English for spoken languages

Development Environment

Python as is

```
alex@sheldon:~$ python3
Python 3.7.3 (default, Jul 25 2020, 13:03:44)
[GCC 8.3.0] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> print('hello world')
hello world
>>> █
```

Python, such as it is, is quite useless. There is the need for:

- a **code editor** or an integrated development environment (**IDE**)
- **packages** for specialized libraries

Scientific packages

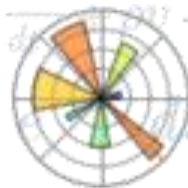
[Scipy.org](https://scipy.org) = Python for math/science/engineering



- **Numpy**: Numerical Python package (inspired by Matlab)
N-dimensional array capabilities and some linear algebra, Fourier analysis, random number capabilities, etc.



- **Scipy**: Scientific Python
For Matlab users, it's very much like many of the core toolboxes.



- **Matplotlib**: most popular data visualization package for Python
Inspired by Matlab plots, but then it has evolved into something more.



- **Pandas**: Data Science Python
high-performance, easy-to-use data structures and data analysis tools.

Code editors/IDEs and notebooks

- **Code Editor**

- tool that is used to write and edit code with features such as text highlighting.
- Examples: [Vim](#), [Atom](#), [Sublime Text](#)

- **IDE** (integrated development environment):

- integrate text editor with other tools such as compiler, build or make integration, debugging and so on.
- Examples: [IDLE](#), [VS Code](#), [PyCharm](#), [Spyder](#)

- **Notebook:** [Jupyter](#)

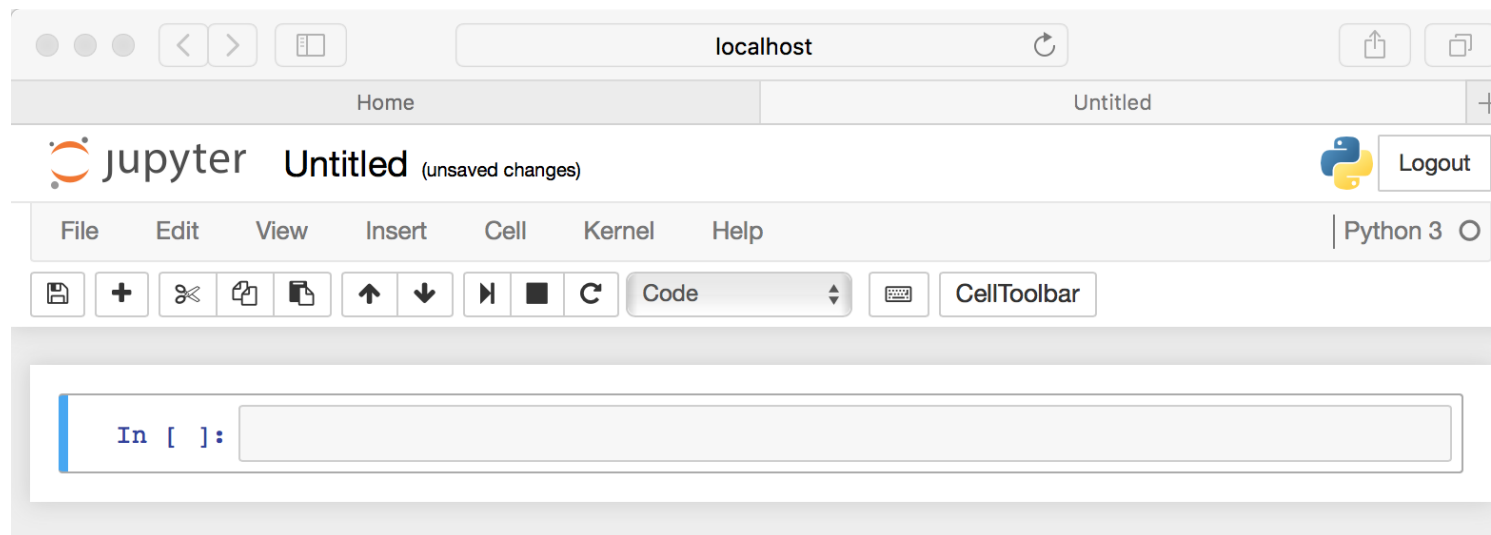
- web-based interactive development environment that allows you to create documents that contain live code, equations, visualizations and narrative text.



Jupyter Notebook

web application (it runs on a browser) made of 2 main components:

- **Kernel:** program that runs and introspects the user's code.
- **Dashboard:** shows you the notebook documents and manage the kernels (see which are running or shut them down)



Jupyter Notebook

```
In [1]: print 'Hello World'
```

Hello World

Getting started with Python

We have done the following

- installed Python
- started iPython Notebook

Create variables in Python

```
In [3]: i = 4 # int
```

```
In [4]: type(i)
```

Out[4]: int

```
In [5]: f = 3.14
```

```
In [6]: type(f)
```

Out[6]: float

Jupyter Lab

The screenshot displays the Jupyter Lab environment with several open notebooks and data visualizations:

- Launcher**: A file browser on the left showing a list of notebooks and files, including `audio`, `images`, `Cpp.ipynb`, `Data.ipynb`, `Fasta.ipynb`, `Julia.ipynb`, `Lorenz.ipynb`, `R.ipynb`, and `lorenz.py`.
- Lorenz.ipynb**: A notebook showing a plot of the number of simulations (0 to 10000) on the x-axis and a y-axis ranging from 0.00 to 1.00. The plot shows a single data point at (0, 1.00).
- Clase.ipynb**: A notebook titled "Exact distribution" discussing the binomial distribution. It includes the formula $P[X = x] = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$ and a code cell for generating a bar plot with error bars.
- 1024px-Hubble_Interacting**: A notebook displaying a large, detailed image of a galaxy cluster, showing numerous stars and galaxies in a dense field.
- iris.csv**: A notebook showing a table of data for the Iris dataset, with columns for sepal length, sepal width, petal length, petal width, and species.
- Museums_in_DC.geojson**: A notebook displaying a map of Washington, D.C., with blue pins indicating the locations of museums.



Conda

- is an open source **package** and **environment management system**
 - installs, runs and updates packages and their dependencies
 - creates, saves, loads and switches between environments on your local computer
- runs on Windows, macOS and Linux.
- can handle any language:
 - Python, R, Ruby, Lua, Scala, Java, JavaScript, C/ C++, FORTRAN, and more

Here a towardsdatascience's post: [Getting Started with Conda](#)

Conda

```
alex@sheldon:~$ conda env list
# conda environments:
#
```

base	*	/home/alex/miniconda3
aml		/home/alex/miniconda3/envs/aml
eads		/home/alex/miniconda3/envs/eads
gp		/home/alex/miniconda3/envs/gp
tf		/home/alex/miniconda3/envs/tf

List of environment
available on the machine
and their location.

```
alex@sheldon:~$ conda activate base
```

```
(base) alex@sheldon:~$ python
```

```
Python 3.8.5 (default, Sep  4 2020, 07:30:14)
```

```
[GCC 7.3.0] :: Anaconda, Inc. on linux
```

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Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
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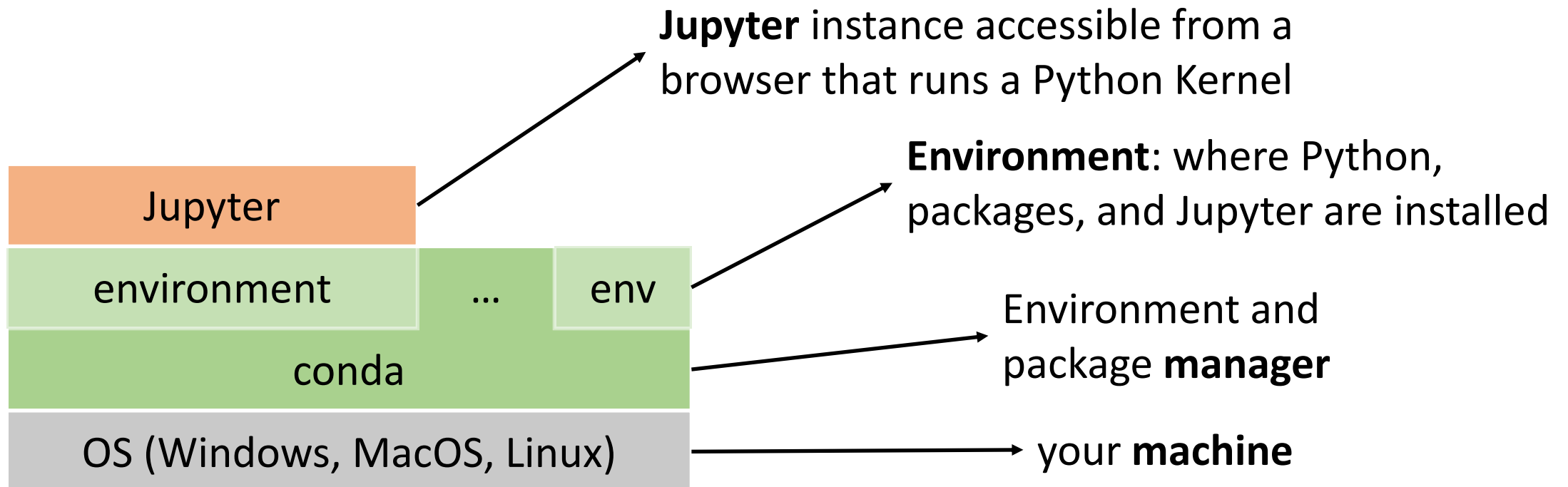
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hello world
```

```
>>> █
```

Environment that is currently active

Version of the Python installed
in the active environment

Summary



Let's get started

Let's start

We will get start with a short tutorial on Python.

- Clone/download this Github repository (<https://github.com/marchioa/data-security>) or download the material from [virtuale](#).
- There, the file [enviroment setup.md](#) lists all the instructions to set up the environment we will work in.
- Once the environment is ready and Jupyter has started you can start opening the notebooks (.ipynb files) composing the tutorial. With great imagination, [1.LETS START.ipynb](#) is the first one.