Automation with Python

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References

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Overview

- 1. File operations
- 2. Debugging
- 3. Timing, Scheduling, and Launching
- 4. Automating Emails and

Text Messages

- 5. Controlling Keyboard and Mouse Movements
- 6. Additional Examples

Files and File Paths

- ► Three file properties:
 - ightharpoonup a filename \rightarrow name
 - ▶ a file path \rightarrow location on computer
 - \blacktriangleright an extension \rightarrow type
- ▶ Path conventions differ across operating systems:
 - ► Forward slashes (/) used on OS X and Linux
 - ► Backslashes (\) used on Windows

Platform-Neutrality

```
#lecture2_example1.py

$user python
>>> import os
>>> os.path.join(`usr',`bin',`python')

#windows \rightarrow usr\\bin\\python
#linux / os x \rightarrow usr/bin/python
```

Platform-Neutrality

```
#lecture2 example1.py (continued)
>>> import platform
>>> platform.system()
Darwin
>>> platform.relase()
16.7.0
>>> if platform.system() == `Darwin':
        save dir = os.path.
        join('/','Users','user','projects')
     if platform.system() == `Windows':
        save dir = os.path.
        join(`C',`Documents',`Project')
```

Absolute and Relative Paths

```
#lecture2_example2.py

$user python
>>> import os
>>> os.getcwd()
'/Users/user'
>>> os.chdir('/Users/user/Desktop')
>>> os.getcwd()
'/Users/user/Desktop'
>>> os.makedirs('/Users/user/Desktop/Projects')
```

Absolute and Relative Paths

Absolute and Relative Paths

```
#lecture2_example2.py (continued)
>>> os.path.dirname(`/Users/user/
Desktop/file.csv')
`/Users/user/Desktop'
>>> os.path.basename(`/Users/user/
Desktop/file.csv')
`file.csv'
```

Additional Commands

- ightharpoonup os.path.getsize() ightharpoonup get file size
- ightharpoonup os.listdir() ightharpoonup list contents of directory
- ▶ os.path.exists() → tests if path exists
- ▶ os.path.isdir() → test if location is a directory
- ▶ os.path.isfile() → test if location is a file

Copying files and folders

\$user python

- >>> import shutil
- >>> import os

Copying files and folders

- ightharpoonup shutil ightharpoonup (sh)ell (util)ities
- ightharpoonup shutil.copy(s, d) ightharpoonup copy file at location s to d
- ▶ shutil.copytree(s, d) \rightarrow copy folder and contents from location s to d
- ▶ $shutil.move(s, d) \rightarrow move file from location s to d$
- ▶ shutil.rmtree(s) \rightarrow removes folders at s
- ightharpoonup os.unlink(p) \rightarrow deletes files at p
- ightharpoonup os.rmdir(p) \rightarrow removes directory at p

Zip files

```
$user python
>>> import zipfile
>>> os.chdir(...)
>>> zipFile = zipfile.ZipFile(`example.zip')
>>> zipFile.extractall()
>>> zipFile.close()
```

Overview

- ► Debugging important, but often overlooked
- ► Useful to know why program failed
- ➤ Important to provide clear exception messages for collaborative projects

Exceptions

Assertions

```
$user python
>>> X = None
>>> ...
>>> assert X!=None, 'X cannot be None.'
AssertionError: X cannot be None.
```

Logging

- ► import logging
- ▶ logging.debug() \rightarrow low level logging
- ▶ logging.info() \rightarrow higher level logging
- ightharpoonup logging.warning() ightharpoonup potential problems
- ▶ logging.error() \rightarrow program failures
- ▶ logging.critical() \rightarrow highest level logging

Overview

- ► Many tasks are best performed on a schedule.
- ► Scraping may need to be done daily, weekly, or monthly.
- Data may be updated at a certain time or needed at a certain time.
- ➤ Scheduling can be done with Python's time and datetime modules.

Time Keeping

```
$user python
>>> import time
>>> time.time()
>>> time.sleep(3)
```

Time Keeping

```
#lecture2 example4.py
$user python
>>> import time
>>> def calcSum(X):
          s = 0
          for j in range(1,X+1):
               s += i
          return s
>>> startTime = time.time()
>>>  output = calcSum(10000000)
>>> endTime = time.time()
>>> print endTime-startTime
0.691835165024
```

Scheduling

```
#lecture2 example5.py
$user python
>>> import time
>>> import datetime
>>> delay = 60
>>>  year = 2017
>>> month = 11
>>>  day = 4
>>> hour = 10
>>> minute = 0
>>> second = 0
```

Scheduling

```
#lecture2 example5.py (continued)
>>> runDate = datetime.datetime(year, month,
day, hour, minute, second)
>>> runDate.year
2017
>>> runDate.hour
10
>>> def doSomething():
>>> while datetime.datetime.now() < runDate:
          time.sleep(delay)
>>> doSomething()
```

Multithreaded Scheduling

- ► What if we don't want the program to remain idle until the execution date?
 - ► Use multithreading
 - ▶ One thread executes scheduling task
 - ▶ Other threads perform different tasks until execution date

Multithreaded Scheduling

```
#lecture2 example6.pv
$user python
>>> import threading
>>> import time
>>> def doSomething():
           for j in range (100):
                time.sleep(1)
                print(`Something.')
>>> def doSomethingElse():
          for j in range (100):
                time.sleep(1)
                print(`Something else.')
```

Multithreaded Scheduling

```
#lecture2_example6.py (continued)
>>> thread1 = threading.
Thread(target=doSomething()).start()
>>> thread2 = threading.
Thread(target=doSomethingElse()).start()
```

Multithreaded Scheduling

Something.
Something else.
Something else.
Something.
Something.
Something else.
Something.
Something.
Something.

Launching Applications

- ► Many automation tasks require programmatic interaction with an application's GUI
- ► If a task is scheduled, the application may not be open when it is executed
- ▶ Python offers libraries for operating system interaction
 - \triangleright os
 - subprocess

Launching Applications

```
$user python
>>> import os
>>> import subprocess
```

Launching Applications

- ▶ os.system("open /Applications/R.app/") \rightarrow launch the R application
- ▶ subprocess.Popen("open /Applications/R.app/", shell=True) \rightarrow launch the R application

Overview

- ► Automated email
 - ► Highly-customizable autoresponder for projects
 - ► Transmit logs from remote server
 - ► Updates on request
- SMS messages
 - ▶ Program updates and completion
 - ► Error messages

Sending Automated Emails

```
#lecture2 example7.py
$user python
>>> import smtplib
>>> smtp0bj = smtplib.SMTP(`smtp.gmail.com', 587)
>>> smtpObj.ehlo()
>>> smtp0bj.starttls()
>>> smtpObj.login(`user@gmail.com', `password')
>>> smtpObj.sendmail(`user@gmail.com',
'other.user@gmail.com', 'Subject: Test. Dear Other
User, This is a a test. Sincerely, User')
>>> smtpObj.quit()
```

Sending Automated Emails

- ightharpoonupsmtplib.SMTP() ightharpoonupcreate SMTP object
- ► smtpObj.ehlo() → establish connection to email server
- \blacktriangleright smtpObj.starttls() \rightarrow enable encrypted connection

Automated Email Retrieval

```
#lecture2_example8.py
$user pip install imapclient
$user python
>>> import imapclient
>>> imapObj = imapclient.\
IMAPClient(`imap.gmail.com', ssl=True)
>>> imapObj.login(`user@gmail.com', `password')
>>> imapObj.select_folder(`INBOX')
>>> messages = imapObj.search([`NOT', `DELETED'])
```

Automated Email Documentation

- ► SMTP
 - ► https://docs.python.org/2/library/smtplib.html
- ► IMAP
 - ► https://imapclient.readthedocs.io/en/stable/

Sending Text Messages

```
#lecture2 example9.py
$user pip install twilio
$user python
>>> from twilio.rest import Client
>>> auth token = "YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
>>> to number = "+XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX"
>>> twilio number = "+YYYYYYYYYYY"
>>> body message = "No errors."
>>> client = Client(account sid, auth token)
>>> client.api.account.messages.create(
         to = to number,
         from = twilio number,
         body = body message)
```

Sending Text Messages

```
#lecture2_example9.py (continued)
>>> def generateMessage(errorStatus):
    if error_status == 0:
        body_message = "No errors."
    else:
        body_message = "Program failed."
    return body_message
```

Sending Email and Text Messages

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https://www.twilio.com/

Sending Email and Text Messages

Text Message Alternatives

- ► Pushbullet
 - https://github.com/randomchars/pushbullet.py
- ► WhatsApp
 - ► https://github.com/mukulhase/WhatsAPI

<u>Overview</u>

- ► Many applications do not have an API
- \blacktriangleright May need to collect data from or manipulate application
- ► Can program pyautogui to perform any task
 - ► Keyboard movements
 - ► Mouse clicks

Introduction

```
#lecture2 example 10.py
$user pip install pyautogui
$user python
>>> import pyautogui
>>> pyautoqui.position()
(759, 429)
>>> pyautogui.size()
(1920, 1200)
>>> pyautogui.onScreen(3000, 3000)
False.
>>> pyautoqui.onScreen(500, 500)
True
```

Coordinate System

(1280,0)(0,0)(0,720)(1280,720)

Delays and Failsafes

- ▶ pyautogui.PAUSE = 3 → add delay between all calls
- ▶ time.sleep(3) \rightarrow add delay before next call
- ▶ pyautogui.FAILSAFE = $True \rightarrow moving mouse to upper-left corner to generate exception$

Mouse Movements

```
$user python
>>> import pyautogui
>>> pyautogui.moveTo(100, 100, duration=0.25)
>>> pyautogui.moveRel(100, 0, duration=0.25))
>>> pyautogui.click()
>>> pyautogui.click(500, 500)
>>> pyautogui.dragRel(100, 0, duration=0.2)
>>> pyautogui.scroll(100)
```

Additional Commands

- ▶ im = pyautogui.screenshot() \rightarrow take screenshot
- ▶ $im.getpixel(x,y) \rightarrow get pixel color as RGB tuple$
- ▶ pyautogui.pixelMatchesColor(x, y, (r, g, b)) \rightarrow check if pixel matches color
- ▶ pyautogui.locateOnScreen(`button.png') \rightarrow finds location of image on screen

Additional Commands

- ▶ pyautogui.locateAllOnScreen(`button.png') \rightarrow finds location of all identical images on screen
- ▶ pyautogui.center((x, y, 1, w)) → find center of image at coordinates (x, y) with dimensions (l, w)

Keyboard Controls

- ▶ pyautogui.typewrite(`Hello world!') → Type "Hello world!" into active window
- ▶ pyautogui.typewrite(`Hello world!', 0.25) \rightarrow Add 0.25 second delay between key presses
- ▶ pyautogui.keyDown(`shift'); pyautogui.press(`7') $\rightarrow \&$

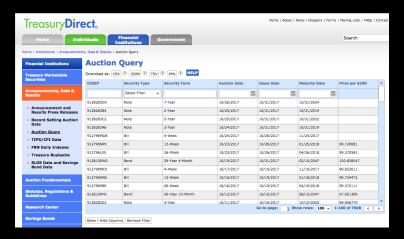
Keyboard Controls

- ▶ pyautogui.hotkey(`ctrl', 'c') \rightarrow hotkey for copying
- ▶ pyautogui.keyDown(`shift') \rightarrow press 'shift' key down
- ▶ pyautogui.keyUp(`shift') → release 'shift' key

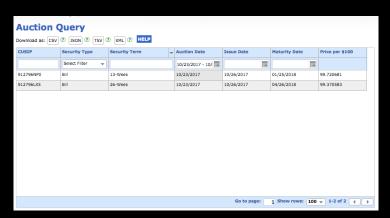
Additional Resources

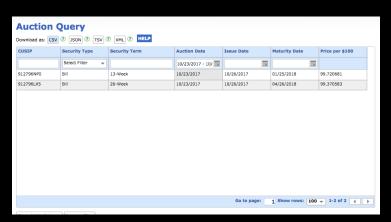
- ► Documentation
 - https://pyautogui.readthedocs.io/en/latest/
- ▶ Cheat Sheet
 - $\blacktriangleright \ https://pyautogui.readthedocs.io/en/latest/cheatsheet.html$

- 1. Load Treasury Direct Auctions.
- 2. Select today's auctions.
- 3. Save data with today's date as file name.
- 4. Send SMS message if successful.



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9128283B4	Note	2-Year									10/31/2019			
9128283C2	Note	5-Year	24								10/31/2022			17
128283A6	Note	2-Year	1 8	9	3 10	11	5 12	6	7 14		10/31/2019			
12796MD8	Bill	4-Week	15	-					21		11/24/2017			1
12796NP0	Bill	13-Week	22		24						01/25/2018		99.720681	
912796LX5	Bill	26-Week	29		31		2	3	4		04/26/2018		99.370583	
912810RW0	Bond	29-Year 4-Month		Today				Clear			02/15/2047		100.838047	
912796MC0	Bill	4-Week	10/17/2017					19/20:)17		11/16/2017		99.922611	1
912796NN5	Bill	13-Week	10/16/2017				10/	19/20:)17		01/18/2018		99.724472	
912796PB9	Bill	26-Week	10/16/2017				10/	19/20:)17		04/19/2018		99.373111	1
912810RY6	Bond	29-Year 10-Month	10/12	10/12/2017			10/	10/16/2017			08/15/2047		97.601366	1
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```
#lecture2 example11.py
$user python
>>> import time
>>> import pyautogui
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import pandas as pd
>>> from twilio.rest import Client
>>> downloadPath = `../Downloads'
>>> imagePath = `../images/'
>>> url = `https://www.treasurydirect.gov
/instit/annceresult/annceresult query.htm'
```

```
#lecture2 example11.py (continued)
>>> def sendMessage(bodyMessage):
         auth token = "YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
          to number = "+XXXXXXXXXXXXXX"
          twilio number = "+YYYYYYYYYY"
          body message = bodyMessage
          client = Client(account sid, auth token)
          client.api.account.messages.create(
              to = to number,
              from = twilio number,
              body = body message)
```

```
#lecture2_example12.py
>>> # Open firefox.
>>> firefoxCenter = returnCenter(`firefox.png')
>>> pyautogui.moveTo(firefoxCenter, duration=0.25)
>>> pyautogui.doubleClick()
# Wait for firefox to load.
>>> time.sleep(2)
```

```
#lecture2 example12.py (continued)
# Load Treasury Auction website.
>>> addressCenter = returnCenter(`enter
address.png')
>>> pyautogui.moveTo(addressCenter, duration=0.25)
>>> pyautogui.click()
>>> pyautogui.typewrite(url, interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press('enter')
# Wait for page to load.
>>> time.sleep(3)
```

```
#lecture2_example12.py (continued)
# Select the auction date.
>>> dateCenter = returnCenter(`auction_date.png')
>>> pyautogui.moveTo(dateCenter, duration=0.25)
>>> pyautogui.moveRel(50, 10)
>>> pyautogui.doubleClick()
# Wait for calendar to load.
>>> time.sleep(2)
```

```
#lecture2_example12.py (continued)
# Select today's date.
>>> todayCenter = returnCenter(`today.png')
>>> pyautogui.moveTo(todayCenter, duration=0.25)
>>> pyautogui.click()
# Wait for auction list to load.
>>> time.sleep(2)
```

```
#lecture2_example12.py (continued)
# Download data in csv format.
>>> csvCenter = returnCenter(`csv.png')
>>> pyautogui.moveTo(csvCenter, duration=0.25)
>>> pyautogui.doubleClick()
# Wait for save dialog box.
>>> time.sleep(2)
```

```
#lecture2_example12.py (continued)
# Save csv data.
>>> pyautogui.press(`enter')
# Load csv data.
>>> data = pd.read_csv(downloadPath+
`Securities.csv')
```

```
#lecture2 example12.py (continued)
# Compute mean price.
>>> try:
        meanPrice = str(np.mean(data[`Price
        per $100']))
        meanPrice = `No auction data available.'
>>> bodyMessage = `Price per $100: '+meanPrice+`.'
# Send message.
>>> sendMessage(bodyMessage)
```

Example: Treasury Auction Data

#lecture2_example12.py (continued)

- ▶ 'firefox.png' \rightarrow \blacksquare
- ightharpoonup 'enter_address.png' ightharpoonup Search or enter address
- ightharpoonup 'auction_date.png' ightharpoonup
- ightharpoonup 'today.png' ightharpoonup Today
- ightharpoonup 'csv.png' ightharpoonup csv

```
#lecture2_example12.py (continued)
$user python
>>> import subprocess
>>> import pyautogui
>>> import time
>>> imagePath = `../images/'
```

```
#lecture2_example12.py (continued)
>>> def returnCenter(filename, path=imagePath):
    path = imagePath
    location = pyautogui.
    locateOnScreen(path+filename)
    center = pyautogui.center(location)
    return center
```

```
#lecture2_example12.py (continued)
>>> subprocess.Popen(`open
/Applications/TeXShop.app', shell=True)
```

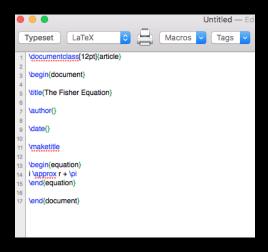
```
#lecture2 example12.py (continued)
>>> time.sleep(2)
>>> pyautogui.
typewrite(`\\documentclass[12pt]article',
interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautogui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautogui.typewrite(`\\begin{document}',
interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press('enter')
>>> pyautoqui.press('enter') >>>
pyautoqui.typewrite(`\\title{The Fisher Equation}',
interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
```

```
#lecture2 example12.py (continued)
>>> pyautogui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautogui.typewrite(`\\author{document}',
interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautoqui.press('enter')
>>> pyautogui.typewrite(`\\date{}', interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautoqui.typewrite(`\\maketitle{}',
interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press('enter')
>>> pyautoqui.press('enter')
```

```
#lecture2 example12.py (continued)
>>> pyautogui.typewrite(`\\begin{equation}',
interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautogui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautogui.typewrite('i \\approx r + \pi',
interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautogui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautogui.typewrite(`\\end{equation}',
interval=0.05)
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautoqui.press(`enter')
>>> pyautoqui.typewrite(`\\end{document}'
```

```
#lecture2_example12.py (continued)
>>> typesetCenter = returnCenter(`typeset.png')
>>> pyautogui.moveTo(typesetCenter, duration=0.25)
>>> pyautogui.click()
>>> time.sleep(2)
>>> pyautogui.press(`enter')
```

Example: Writing and Compiling LATEX Documents



Example: Writing and Compiling LATEX Documents

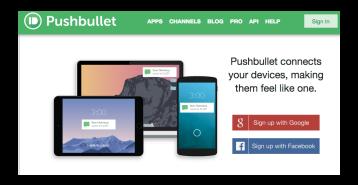
Typeset

Example: Writing and Compiling LATEX Documents



- 1. Create a Pushbullet account
- 2. Install Pushbullet on devices
- 3. Recover Pushbullet credentials
- 4. Install Pushbullet module for Python
- 5. Send status messages via Python

Example: Send Messages to Any Device with Pushbullet



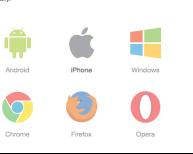
https://www.pushbullet.com/



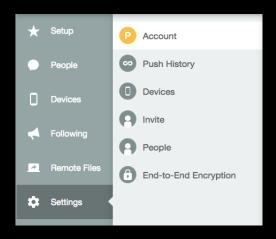
Example: Send Messages to Any Device with Pushbullet

Get Pushbullet:

To add another device, just install the Pushbullet app and sign in using your Google or Facebook account. It will be added to your account automatically.







Example: Send Messages to Any Device with Pushbullet

Access Tokens

Using an access token grants full access to your account. Don't share this lightly. You need the access token in order to use the API.

Create Access Token

```
#lecture2_example13.py
$user pip install pushbullet.py
$user python
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import datetime
>>> from pushbullet import Pushbullet
```

```
#lecture2_example13.py (continued)
# Enter Pushbullet credentials.
>>> apiKey = `REPLACE_WITH_YOUR_API_KEY'
>>> pb = Pushbullet(apiKey)
# Construct today's date string.
>>> body = str(datetime.datetime.now())
```

```
#lecture2 example 13.py (continued)
# Check scrape status
>>> def checkStatus():
           Replace code with function that checks
           the scrape's status.
           11 11 11
           random number = np.random.rand(1)[0]
           if(random number <= .5)</pre>
                status = `Scrape status: Succeeded.'
           if(random number>.5)
                status = `Scrape status: Failed.'
           return status
```

Example: Send Messages to Any Device with Pushbullet

checkStatus(

Signature: checkStatus()

Docstring: Replace code with function that checks the scrape's status.

File: ~/<ipython-input-87-e38bfc306cf3>

Type: function

```
#lecture2_example13.py (continued)
# Check scrape status
>>> title = checkStatus()
# Send status message to all devices.
>>> pb.push_note(title, body)
```

Example: Send Messages to Any Device with Pushbullet

Scrape status: Failed. 2017-11-01 19:00:22 093772 Scrape status: Failed. 2017-11-01 19:00:33.789237 Scrape status: Succeeded. 2017-11-01 19:00:41.638991 Scrape status: Succeeded. 2017-11-01 19:00:55.560607 Scrape status: Failed. 2017-11-01 19:00:58.540466 Scrape status: Succeeded. 2017-11-01 19:01:00.991753 Scrape status: Failed. 2017-11-01 19:01:06.286317

```
>>> with open("log.txt", "r") as doc:
    file_data = pb.upload_file(doc, "log.txt")
    push = pb.push_file(**file_data)
```





```
#lecture2_example14.py
$user python
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import pandas as pd
>>> from pushbullet import Pushbullet
>>> import time
>>> import datetime
>>> import re
```

```
#lecture2 example14.py (continued)
  Generate and save sample data.
>>> def generateRandomWalk():
          davs = 10000
          start date = datetime.datetime.now() +
          datetime.timedelta(-days)
          datelist = pd.date range(start date, periods=days).tolist()
          shocks = np.random.normal(0,1,days)
          randomWalk = np.zeros((days,1))
          randomWalk[0] = shocks[0]
          for t in range(1,len(randomWalk)):
              randomWalk[t] = randomWalk[t -1] + shocks[t]
          data = pd.DataFrame(randomWalk,columns=[`random walk'])
          data_index = datelist
          return data
```

```
#lecture2_example14.py (continued)
# Generate and save sample data.
>>> data = generateRandomWalk()
>>> data.to_csv(`../data.csv')
>>> print data
```

```
random walk
1990-06-16 22:37:21.792702 1.747387
1990-06-17 22:37:21.792702 0.209479
1990-06-18 22:37:21.792702 1.061580
1990-06-19 22:37:21.792702 2.010485
1990-06-20 22:37:21.792702 2.379742
2017-10-28 22:37:21.792702 52.869201
2017-10-29 22:37:21.792702 53.321906
2017-10-30 22:37:21.792702 52.720864
2017-10-31 22:37:21.792702 55.108963
```

```
#lecture2_example14.py (continued)
# Enter PushBullet credentials.
>>> apiKey = `REPLACE_WITH_YOUR_API_KEY'
>>> pb = Pushbullet(apiKey)
# Pull the latest push.
>>> latestPush = pb.get_pushes()[0]
```

```
#lecture2 example14.py (continued)
# Get Unix time.
>>> unixTime = time.time()
# Get time since latest message sent.
>>> timeSinceLatest =
unixTime-latestPush[`created']
# Define regular expression.
>>> pattern = re.compile('\d{4}-\d{1,2}-\d{1,2}')
```

Example: Queuing Up Tasks with Pushbullet

#lecture2 example14.py (continued)

```
#lecture2_example14.py (continued)
# Send status message to all devices.
>>> pb.push_note(`Mean: '+str(mean), `Start'+dates[0]+`, '+'End '+dates[1])
```

Example: Queuing Up Tasks with Pushbullet

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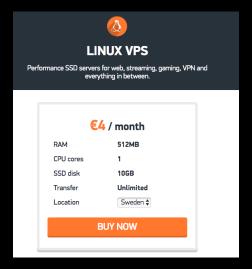
Select device

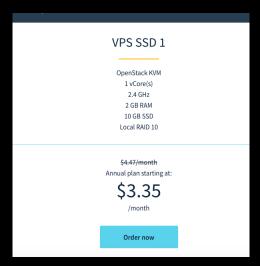
2001-01-01 2013-01-01

Example: Queuing Up Tasks with Pushbullet

2001-01-01 2013-01-01 Mean: -39.2492037577 Start 2001-01-01, End 2013-01-01 2001-01-01 2017-01-01 Mean: -145,703084314 Start 2001-01-01. End 2017-01-01 1993-01-01 2017-01-01 Mean: -29.6753414663 Start 1993-01-01, End 2017-01-01 Sent Select device Type a message or drop a file

- 1. Select a Linux VPS service.
- 2. Generate VPS with Ubuntu 16.04.
- 3. Get IP address and password.
- 4. Access VPS terminal via ssh.
- 5. Install Anaconda.





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```
# Access server via ssh and install text editor.
```

```
$user ssh root@x.x.x.x
root@x.x.x.x's password: *****
$root apt-get install nano
```

```
# Download and install Anaconda.

$root cd /tmp
$root curl -0
https://repo.continuum.io/archive/Anaconda34.2.0-
Linuxx86_64.sh
$root sha256sum Anaconda34.2.0Linuxx86_64.sh
$root bash Anaconda34.2.0Linuxx86_64.sh
$root source ~.bashrc
```

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```
# Upload scripts to server.
$root exit
Connection to x.x.x.x closed.
$user scp -r ../code/* root@x.x.x.x:/code/
```

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Reconnect to server.

\$user ssh root@x.x.x.x
root@x.x.x.x's password: *****

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Access crontabs.

\$root crontab -e

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```
# Setup cronjob for lecture3_example14.py
*/10 * * * * /root/anaconda/bin/python
/root/code/lecture3_example14.py
```

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Setup cronjob for lecture2_example14.py

- ightharpoonup Use ctrl+x and then y to save and exit.
- * * * * * *
 - ► Minute (0-59)
 - ► Hour (0-23)
 - ► Day of Month (1-31)
 - ► Month (1<u>-12</u>)
 - ► Day of week (0-6)
- ► Don't use root

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Setup cronjob for lecture2_example14.py

\$root crontab −1

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```
*/10 * * * * /root/anaconda/bin/python
/root/code/lecture2_example14.py
```

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