

Python – Short Term Assignment

Module 1) Python Fundamentals

Introduction to Python Theory:

- Introduction to Python and its Features (simple, high-level, interpreted language).

★ Introduction to Python

Python is a **simple, high-level, and interpreted programming language** created by **Guido van Rossum** in 1991.

It is widely used in **web development, data science, artificial intelligence, machine learning, automation, and software development**.

★ Features of Python

1 Simple Language

Python has a very clean and readable syntax.

Its code looks like English, so it is easy to learn, understand, and write.

2 High-Level Language

Python is a high-level language, which means:

- You don't need to manage memory manually
 - You don't need to understand hardware-level details
- The Python interpreter takes care of these things.
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3 Interpreted Language

Python is executed **line by line** by an interpreter.

Because of this:

- It gives quick output
 - Debugging becomes easier
 - No need for separate compilation
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4 Dynamically Typed

You don't need to declare variable types.

Python automatically detects the type at runtime.

5 Object-Oriented

Python supports classes, objects, inheritance, and polymorphism, making it good for large programs.

6 Large Standard Library

Python has many built-in modules (like math, os, json, datetime) that help in faster development.

7 Cross-Platform

Python runs on Windows, Linux, and macOS without changing the code.

- History and evolution of Python.

★ History of Python

Python was created by **Guido van Rossum**, a Dutch programmer. He started working on Python in the **late 1980s** at the **National Research Institute for Mathematics and Computer Science (CWI)** in the Netherlands.

Python's development officially began in **1989**, and the first public release came in **1991**.

Guido wanted to create a language that was:

- Easy to read
- Easy to use
- Powerful enough for real-world applications

Python was inspired by languages like **ABC**, **Modula-3**, **C**, and **Unix Shell**.

★ Evolution of Python (Important Versions)

1 Python 1.0 (1991)

- First version released
- Included basic features: functions, modules, exceptions

2 Python 2.0 (2000)

- Major upgrade
 - Introduced list comprehensions
 - Added garbage collection
 - Became widely used for web development
- Python 2 support officially ended in 2020.*

3 Python 3.0 (2008)

- Huge improvement
- Not backward-compatible with Python 2
- Cleaner and more powerful design
- Improved Unicode support
- Better libraries and syntax

Today, **Python 3.x** is the standard and most widely used.

★ Modern Evolution

Python continues to grow with updates like:

- Faster performance
 - Better support for data science
 - Improved libraries for AI, ML, robotics, and automation
 - Large community and open-source contributions
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★ Why Python Became Popular

- Simple and readable syntax
 - High-level and powerful
 - Massive library support
 - Cross-platform
 - Used in trending fields (AI, ML, Data Science)
- Advantages of using Python over other programming languages.
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★ 1. Easy to Read and Write

Python has a very simple and clean syntax.

It looks almost like English, so programs are easier to write and understand compared to languages like C, C++, or Java.

★ 2. High Productivity

Python allows developers to write fewer lines of code.
This increases productivity and reduces development time.

★ 3. Large Standard Library

Python comes with many built-in modules (like `os`, `math`, `json`, `datetime`) that help solve common problems without writing extra code.

★ 4. Cross-Platform Language

Python runs on **Windows**, **Linux**, **macOS**, and even mobile platforms without needing to change the code.

★ 5. Dynamically Typed

You don't need to declare data types.
Python automatically handles variable types, which makes coding faster and easier.

★ 6. Interpreted Language

Python executes code **line by line**, making debugging simpler and faster than compiled languages like C++ or Java.

★ 7. Strong Community Support

Python has one of the biggest programming communities.
If you face any error, solutions and tutorials are widely available.

★ 8. Excellent for Multiple Domains

Python is used in:

- Web Development
- Artificial Intelligence
- Machine Learning
- Data Science
- Automation / Scripting
- Cybersecurity
- Game Development

No other language dominates so many fields at once.

★ 9. Vast Third-Party Libraries

Python has powerful libraries like:

- **NumPy, Pandas** (Data Science)
- **TensorFlow, PyTorch** (Machine Learning)
- **Django, Flask** (Web Development)
- **OpenCV** (Computer Vision)

These make complex tasks very easy.

★ 10. Beginner-Friendly

Python is the **best programming language for beginners** because:

- Less code
 - Easy syntax
 - Fast results
- Installing Python and setting up the development environment (Anaconda, PyCharm, or VS Code).

★ Installing Python

1. Go to the **official Python website** (python.org).
2. Download the latest version of Python for Windows, macOS, or Linux.
3. Run the installer and **check “Add Python to PATH”**.
4. Click **Install Now**.
5. After installation, open **Command Prompt** and type:
6. `python --version`

If it shows the version, Python is successfully installed.

★ Setting Up the Development Environment

You can use any one of the following tools:

1 Anaconda

Anaconda is a distribution of Python mainly used for **data science, AI, and machine learning**.

How to install:

1. Visit **anaconda.com** and download Anaconda for your OS.
2. Install it using default settings.
3. Open **Anaconda Navigator**.
4. Use Jupyter Notebook, Spyder, or VS Code from Anaconda Navigator.

Why use Anaconda?

- Comes with pre-installed scientific libraries (NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib).
 - Best for data science and ML projects.
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2 PyCharm

PyCharm is a powerful **IDE for Python development**.

How to install:

1. Go to **jetbrains.com/pycharm**.
2. Download **Community Edition (free)**.
3. Install using default settings.
4. Open PyCharm → Create New Project → Select Interpreter (Python.exe).

Why use PyCharm?

- Smart code suggestions
 - Debugging tools
 - Best for large Python projects
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3 Visual Studio Code (VS Code)

VS Code is a **lightweight and popular code editor**.

How to install:

1. Download VS Code from **code.visualstudio.com**.
2. Install and open it.
3. Go to Extensions (Ctrl + Shift + X).
4. Search and install the **Python extension** by Microsoft.
5. Select Python interpreter:
 - Press **Ctrl + Shift + P**
 - Type **Python: Select Interpreter**
 - Choose your Python version

Why use VS Code?

- Lightweight and fast
 - Supports many languages
 - Highly customizable
 - Extensions for formatting, debugging, Git, etc.
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★ Summary (Short Points)

- Install Python from python.org.
- Choose one IDE/editor:
 - ✓ Anaconda – Best for Data Science
 - ✓ PyCharm – Best for professional Python projects
 - ✓ VS Code – Lightweight and flexible
- Writing and executing your first Python program.

★ Step 1: Open Your Python Environment

You can use any one of the following:

- **IDLE** (comes with Python)
 - **VS Code**
 - **PyCharm**
 - **Jupyter Notebook**
 - **Command Prompt / Terminal**
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★ Step 2: Write Your First Python Program

Type this simple program:

```
print("Hello, World!")
```

This program displays the message **Hello, World!** on the screen.

★ Step 3: Save the File

- Save the file with the extension **.py**
Example:
 - `hello.py`
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★ Step 4: Execute the Program

Method 1: Using IDE (IDLE / PyCharm / VS Code)

- Click **Run** or press **F5**
 - Output will appear on the screen
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Method 2: Using Command Prompt / Terminal

1. Open Command Prompt / Terminal
2. Navigate to the folder where your file is saved
Example:
3. `cd Desktop`
4. Run the program:
5. `python hello.py`

Output:

Hello, World!

★ Summary (Short Exam Answer)

To write and execute your first Python program, create a file with `.py` extension, write the code `print("Hello, World!")`, and run it through an IDE or by using the command `python filename.py` in the terminal. The program will display “Hello, World!” as output.

- Write a Python program that prints "Hello, World!".

Lab Program

Program to Print "Hello, World!" in Python

✦ Code:

```
print("Hello, World!")
```

✦ Output:

Hello, World!