

# Amuse Conf 2018

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# Main topics

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Animation

Voice interfaces

Bots

Research

The design process

# Animation

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Show what happened and what can happen next

Focus the user's attention

Support navigation

Let the user opt out

Be natural (ease in & out)

Communicate ideas and be creative

# Voice interfaces

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It always triggers an emotional response

...even when people know that it's a bot

Different voices can be evaluated differently

...even when they give the exact same answer

# Bots

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Make it clear, that it's not a human

...but people could still react to it as it were

It can answer simple questions

...and relay more complex ones to a human operator

Offer choices

Be very careful with canned responses

How would you describe that to your grandmother?

My grandmother is dead 😞

Great, thank you for your answer! 😊👍

# Research

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Data vs insight

# The design process

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Focus on the process, not on the outcome

(Over)communication

Artefacts (you won't be there all the time)

Form & communicate opinions

Broaden your scope - zoom in, out & upwards

Learn all the skills you need & some more

# Emotions & humanity

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Fun vs utilitarian interfaces

UX writing & microcopy

Design for attention

# Python intro

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# Basics

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Significant white space

```
def holy_hand_grenade():
    return [1, 2, 5]
```

Formatting can still be custom if it's consistent

# Basics

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Object-oriented (but not strictly)

Extensive standard library

Extensions can be written in C

# Flow control

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```
if parrot != 'alive':  
    return 'it's a stiff!'
```

```
for s in ['spam', 'egg', 'sausage', 'spam']:  
    print(s)
```

```
for i in range(42):  
    print(i)
```

# Flow control

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## Break, for-else

```
for s in ['spam', 'spam', 'spam']:  
    if s ≠ 'spam':  
        print('anything without spam')  
        break  
else:  
    print('wonderful spam!')
```

# Data structures

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## Lists

```
knights = ['Sir Lancelot', 'Sir Galahad', 'Sir Robin']  
print(knights[-2:])  
  
['Sir Galahad', 'Sir Robin']
```

# Data structures

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## Tuples

```
our_weapons = 'surprise', 'fear', 'ruthless  
efficiency', ('spam', 'spam'), 42
```

Tuples are immutable

# Data structures

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## Sets

```
menu = {'spam', 'egg', 'sausage', 'spam'}  
print(menu)
```

```
{'egg', 'spam', 'sausage'}
```

Unordered collection with no duplicate elements

# Data structures

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## Dictionaries

```
knight = {  
    'name': 'Sir Lancelot',  
    'quest': 'to seek the Holy Grail',  
    'favorite_color': 'blue'  
}  
print(knight['name'])  
  
'Sir Lancelot'
```

# Functions

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## Defining

```
def parrot(expired, type='late'):
    if expired:
        print(f'This is a {type} parrot!')
    else:
        pass
```

Keyword arguments must follow positional arguments

# Functions

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## Variadic functions

```
def func(x, *args, **kwargs):  
    pass
```

```
def concat(*args, sep='/'):  
    return sep.join(args)
```

'sep' is mandatory and keyword-only

# Functions

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## Lambda functions

```
def make_incremator(n):  
    return lambda x: x + n
```

```
f = make_incremator(42)  
print(f(0))  
42  
print(f(1))  
43
```

# Functions

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## Decorators

```
def double(func):  
    def wrapper():  
        func()  
        func()  
    return wrapper
```

```
@double  
def run():  
    print('Run away!')
```

# Looping

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## List comprehensions

```
print([s.upper() for s in ['spam', 'spam', 'wonderful spam']])  
['SPAM', 'SPAM', 'WONDERFUL SPAM']
```

# Looping

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## Nested list comprehensions

```
matrix = [
    [1, 2, 3, 4],
    [5, 6, 7, 8],
    [9, 10, 11, 12],
]
print([[row[i] for row in matrix] for i in range(4)])
[[1, 5, 9], [2, 6, 10], [3, 7, 11], [4, 8, 12]]
```

# Looping

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## Dictionary comprehensions

```
print({n: n**2 for n in range(5)})
```

```
{0: 0, 1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16}
```

# Modules

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Import

```
import random  
from random import choice, shuffle
```

Don't do this

```
from random import *
```

# Classes

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## Defining

```
class DerivedClass(Base1, Base2):  
    def __init__(self, x):  
        self.x = x
```

No private variables, but the ones starting with an underscore are not supposed to be referenced from outside

A class can also be empty

# Environment

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## Virtual environment

```
python3 -m venv .ve  
source .ve/bin/activate
```

# Environment

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## PIP

Package management system

```
pip install 'SomePackage >= 1.0.4'
```

```
pip freeze > requirements.txt
```

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

# Resources

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<http://docs.python.org>

<http://www.learnpython.org>

<https://realpython.com>

<https://docs.python-guide.org>