

# Computation in Python/JUPYTER Introduction

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## What is Python?



**Python** is an <u>open-source interpreted</u>, <u>high-level</u>, general-purpose programming language. This means:

- Interpreted/high-level language: This makes us avoid the nuances of fundamental coding as done by computer programmers/engineers.
- @ General purpose programming language and Open-source ecosystem: This means it is extensible. Already over 200,000 Python packages are available (check here). Also, it means FREE of cost.
- S For Hydraulics Modelling: We can use Python packages such as Numpy (for numerical computing), Scipy (for scientific computing), Sympy (for symbolic computing), Matplotlib (for plotting) etc. for our computing and modelling in the course.

## A Bit of Python History



- Guido van Rossum began developing Python in 1980 at Centrum Wiskunde & Informatica (CWI), the Netherlands. Its implementation (Python v.1) was released in 1994.
- Python 2.0, released in 2000 became one of the most used general purpose programming language. Python 2.0 is now being replaced by Python 3.0 (from 2020).
- **Python** 3.0 will be used in our class. It is **not** 100% compatible with earlier versions of **Python** .
- Python name comes from the British comedy group Monty Python (Van Rossum enjoyed their show). The official Python documentation (check here) also contains various references to Monty Python routines.

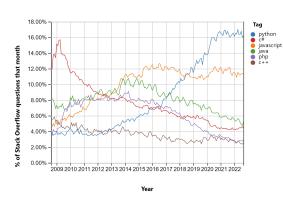
## Why Use Python?



- Python is a common tool among engineers, experts and researchers at universities and industry.
- Python is system independent, therefore it is highly portable.
   Beside, it is a versatile (multi-purpose) language.
- Python is incredibly flexible and can be adapted to specific local needs using enormous number of PACKAGES. Beside, it can easily interface with other languages
- Python is under incredibly active development, improving greatly, and supported wildly by both professional and academic developers

## Popularity of Python





- Python has become a mainstream computing language.
- 2 Details on plot are here.
- This all means it is good to learn to code in Python



Very basics of Python before starting JUPYTER Notebook

- Comments symbol: with #
- End statement: with semicolon (;) or line-end
- Multi-line statement: with continuation character (\)
- Multiple statement: separate each with;
- Code Indentation: is required (4 spaces for each)
- String quotes: use either "" or ''
- Naming: is case sensitive  $b \neq B$
- **Variable Assignment**: use =, e.g. x=5
- Multiple Assignment: allowed e.g, a = b = c = 1 or a,b,c = 1,7,10
- Help: use help() and get the cheatsheet from here



#### Data types in **Python**

```
Numbers: numbers of any types: int (e.g., 10),
        long (e.g., 5192L), float (e.g., 13.4),
         complex (e.g., 2.13j)
String: with quotation mark, e.g., "john"
List: are modifiable placed in [] separated by comma (,).
         e.g., [1, 3, "apple", 2, "jo"]
Tuple: are non- modifiable placed in () separated by
          comma (,). e.g., (11, 3, "ape", 2, "job")
Dictionary: For table-like data. Placed in {} separated by
   comma (,), e.g.,
   {'name': 'john', 'code':6734, 'dept': 'sales'}
```



#### Basic operators in Python

Arithmetic Operations			
Sym.	Operation	e.g.,	
+/-	Add/Subs.	a+b	
*	Multiply	a*b	
/	Divide	$a/b$ $a^{**}2 = a^2$	
**	exponent	$a^{**2} = a^2$	
<u>%</u>	Modulus	Reminder a/b	

Bitwise/Comparison			
sym.	Operation	e.g.,	
&	AND	a & b	
	OR	a b	
==	equal to	a == b	
!=	not equal to	a!=b	
>/<	greater/less	a>b	

Refer to **Python** documentation for complete description. **Python** documentation is very extensive and can be obtained from here

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#### A FUNCTION in **Python**

A **function** in a programming provide an ability to develop a reusable code-block with an option of several operations. So, a **function** have a (or a set) of *input* and provide an (or a set) *output*.

#### **Python** Function e.g.

```
def func1(a,b):
    c = a+b
    d = c*a
    return c, d
```

#### What is it?

def in line-1 begins a Function block
func1 in line 1 is user-defined function
name

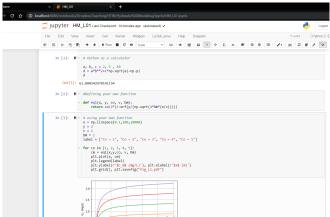
a,b in line 1 are function input
c,d in lines 3-4 is function operation
return line-6 is function output block

**Semicolon** (:) in line 1 and **Indentation** after line 1 are required. **def, return** are **Python** keywords. There are quite few of them.

#### The JUPYTER Notebook



We avoid hard-coding and long codes in this course. We use something called "JUPYTER notebook". Get JUPYTER cheatsheet from here



#### More on JUPYTER notebook



**JUPYTER** – a much better way to work in **Python** that allows on a single display:

- interface for Python and also many other programming language (R, Java, Julia etc.)
- writing and editing of codes (<u>we will learn this</u>)
- operation of Python and its packages (e.g., Numpy)
- interactively viewing the code output (i.e., results and plots)
- getting help

The **JUPYTER** notebook runs in the browser (Chrome, Firefox etc.). So, nothing really required to be installed.

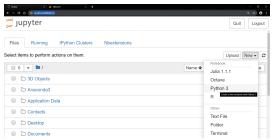
For better computing and learning, you are encouraged to install **JUPYTER** system following the instructions from here.



JUPYTER notebook runs in a browser.

The first webpage with **JUPYTER** will have http address, e.g., http://localhost:8888/tree. Internet is **not** required.

JUPYTER notebook saves file as IPYNB file.



The first-page of **JUPYTER** provides a basic File-Explorer of your system - from here it is possible to load available IPYNB file or



JUPYTER notebook has a block-based interface called CELL.

Codes are put in the CELL and executed with **RUN** or using Keyboard buttons **SHIFT+ENTER** 

The first CELL is usually for importing PACKAGES - such as Numpy, Scipy, Matplotlib



Texts in green – (imports, from, as) are **Python** keywords.

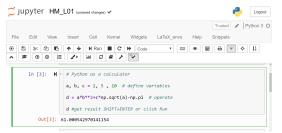
In this block numpy and  $\mathtt{matplotlib.pyplot}$  is imported to  $\mathtt{JUPYTER}$ 

Also a single function of a package can be imported – in second line the function erf is imported



For a **basic** operation (e.g., as a CALCULATOR) in **JUPYTER** notebook:

- 1 Variables (e.g., a, b, c) are first defined.
- Operation using Operators and variables are stated.
- 8 Result is printed when OUTPUT variable is put (see last line)
- **4** Code is **executed** with Run or using keybboard.



**NOTE:** The interactivity between In [3] and Out [3] in the code-block can be repeated only for the particular cell.



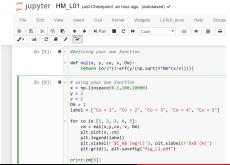
For a complex operation (e.g., defining own FUNCTION) in **JUPYTER** notebook:

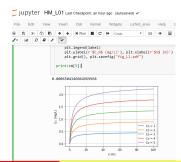
We will learn these by solving our own problems- as we progress with the course.

Here is a basic example how it all works.

#### **Definition parts**

#### **Execution and Result parts**





## Next steps with Python and JUPYTER



**Python** is **HUGE**. Becoming a **Python** expert or a programmer is not our **GOAL**. Here we want to make our **HYDRAULICS MOD-ELLING** computation easy. For that a very small part of a much smaller part of **Python** called **SCIENTIFIC PYTHON** is sufficient.

So we focus on following package (mostly **SELF STUDY**)

- 1 Numpy: For matrix and numerical works (see Numpy docs)
- Matplotlib: For plots and visualizations (see Mat docs)
- 3 Scipy: For computations and modelling (see Scipy docs)
- Sympy: For symbolic calculations (see Sympy docs)
- **6** Pandas: For database manipulation (see Pandas docs)
- **6** Statsmodels: For statistical modelling (see docs here)
- and more as required ...

## Python is easy...,

## Let us learn to work in JUPYTER environment

We will focus on Numpy, Scipy and Matplotlib for our computation and modelling requirements.