# **Python Training Workshop 2019**

## An introduction course to Python

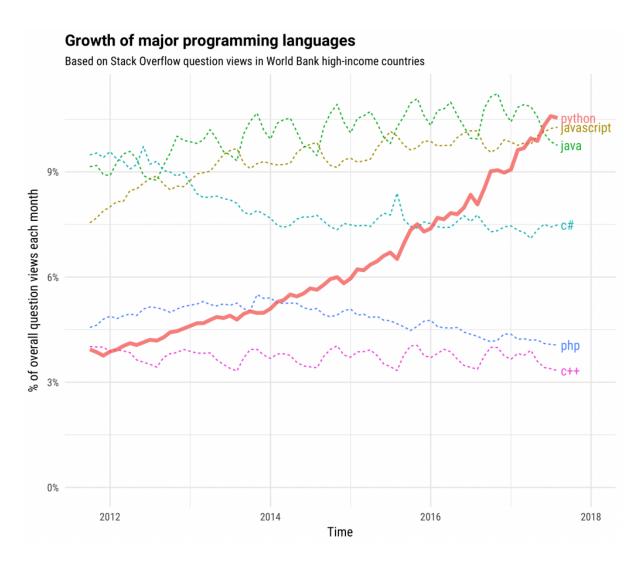
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Please go to <a href="http://goo.gl/">http://goo.gl/</a> for the materials. :)

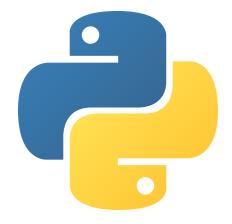
## Python: a very fast-growing language



## A new era of computing

- Varieties of programming languages
- Multi-core CPU and GPU support
- Easily-accessible cloud computing
- Cloud microservices

## Python: a versatile language



- high-level
- object-oriented, and
- Interpreted

programming language.

## Python: a "High-level language"

- "Low level language": C, Fortran, Basic
- Level means the accessiblity to system resources.
- High Level :
  - care less about memory management or proper declaration of variables
  - less abstract than low-level language
  - less time to write and compile
  - relatively slower running time than some low-level language (not always true).

## **Community of Python users**

- Web backend developers
- Data science
- Machine learning

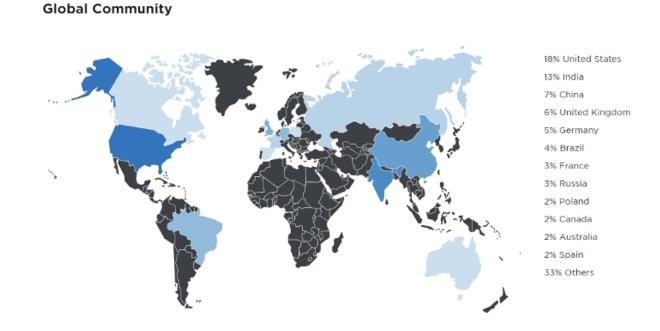


Image courtesy of the Python Developers Survey 2017 Results website

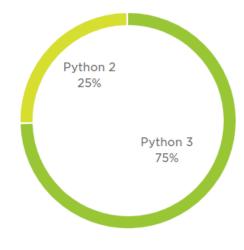
## Python 2 vs Python 3

Results are quoted from

https://www.jetbrains.com/research/devecosystem-2018/python/

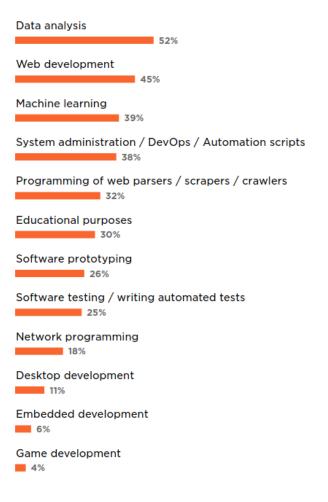


Which version of Python do you use the most?

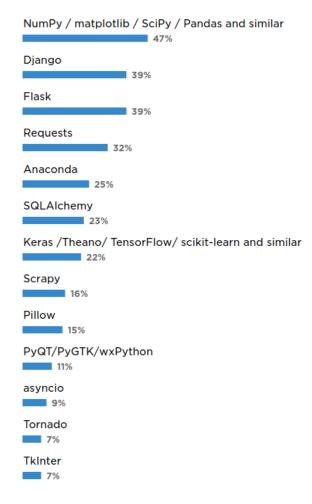


## **Python Usages**

What do you use Python for?



What libraries and/or frameworks do you use in addition to Python, if any?



## Installation

- Refer to another guide
- Recommendation:
  - Anaconda
  - Google colab

## Install packages (with anaconda)

- conda search xxxxxx
- conda install xxxxxx

## Install packages (with pip)

pip is a package management system in Python

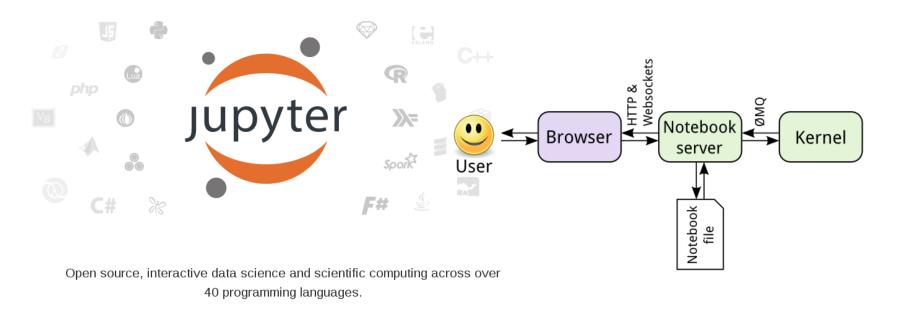
To search/install packages:

- Search package: pip search xxxxxx
- Install package: pip install xxxxxx
- Upgrade package: pip install --upgrade xxxxxx
- Uninstall package: pip uninstall xxxxxx
- Install wheel package: pip install xxxxxx.whl

# **Jupyter Notebook**

You may want to run a Jupyter notebook when:

- You want to try out a new experiment or analysis with an existing Jupyter notebook from someone.
- You want to develop an algorithm that run on a large software.
- You have only ten minutes to download a data, plot a graph and send the email to your supervisor in a neat format.



## Open Jupyter in Linux/MacOS

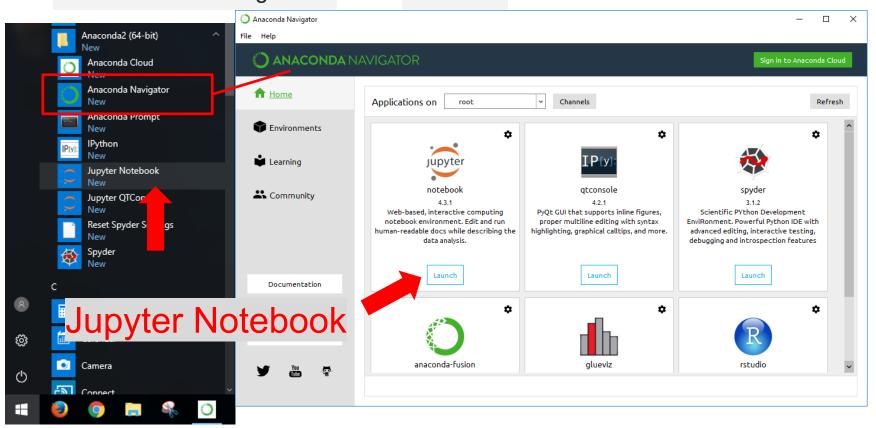
#### Type

jupyter notebook

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  jupyter notebook
                         upyter notebook
# yanyan @ vela in ~/workspace [12:37:07]
  jupyter notebook
 I 12:38:14.082 NotebookApp] Serving notebooks from local directory: /home/yanya
n/workspace
 I 12:38:14.082 NotebookApp] 0 active kernels
 I 12:38:14.082 NotebookApp] The Jupyter Notebook is running at: http://localhos
t:8888/?token=40alelaa7783bb15e5178ec870a0f8bb07470e94d0a02da0
 I 12:38:14.082 NotebookApp] Use Control-C to stop this server and shut down all
 kernels (twice to skip confirmation).
[C 12:38:14.083 NotebookApp]
    Copy/paste this URL into your browser when you connect for the first time,
    to login with a token:
        http://localhost:8888/?token=40alelaa7783bb15e5178ec870a0f8bb07470e94d0a
02da0
Gtk-Message: Failed to load module "pk-gtk-module"
Created new window in existing browser session.
 [I 12:38:15.159 NotebookApp] Accepting one-time-token-authenticated connection f
rom ::1
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## **Open Jupyter in Windows**

Open your Start menu, goes to Anaconda Folder,
Click the Jupyter Notebook shortcut (Recommended). Or start
the Anaconda Navigator and Launch



#### Hand's on Session

The hand's on session requires a working python installations with Jupyter installed. The following links are read-only, they do not run calculations in your computer.

### **First Session:**

- Python Syntax
- Python Data Structures
- Python Numpy Array

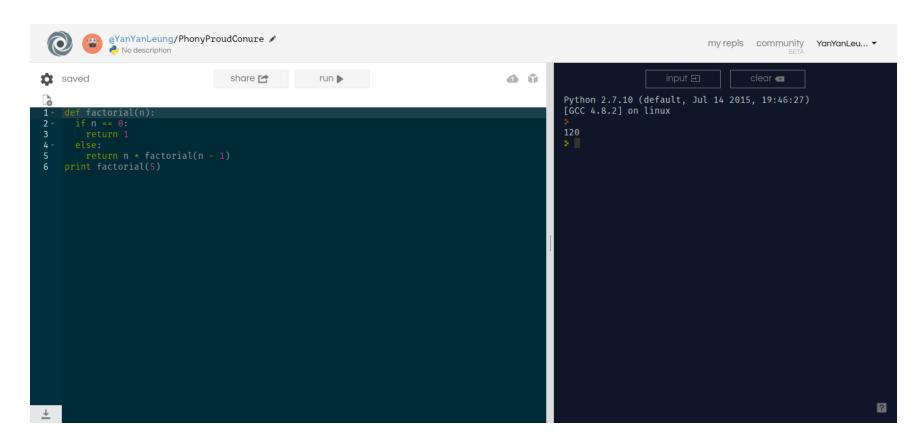
### **Second Session:**

- Introduction to Pandas
- Python Functions and Class
- Python Matplotlib
- Python plotting with Astropy and AplPy

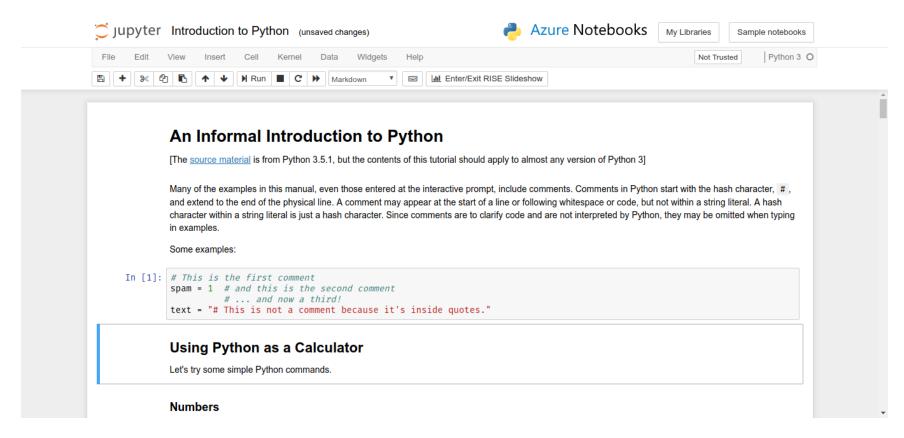
### **Online Platforms**

Here are some online Python platform that are quite good indeed.

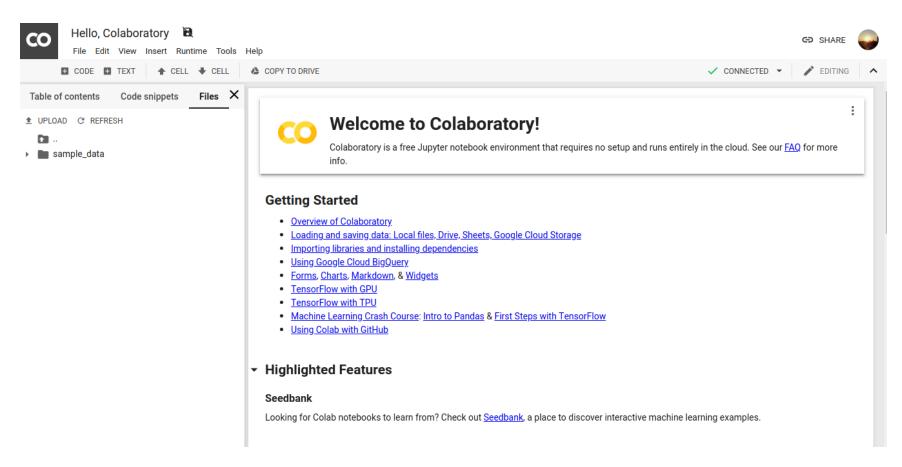
- c9.io
- repl.it
- Microsoft Azure Notebooks
- Google Colab



repl.it



**Azure Notebook** 



Google Colab

## **Online Judge**

- Sphere Online Judge (SPOJ)
- HackerRank
- CodeAcademy
- Aizu Online Judge (AOJ)

### **Good Reference Material**

stackoverflow.com



https://github.com/jakevdp/PythonDataScienceHandbook



Book: Python for Astronomers

### **Credits**

This tutorial have referenced the following materials:

- Unidata's online-python-training
- Anaconda Installation Guide
- And thanks Sandy Chan and Stephen Ng