## **Python for Economics**

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## Why Programming?

- ▶ Looking for Common language between Human and Machine
- Different Works, Different Languages
- ▶ Why Python?
  - Close to Human Language
  - Easily Connect to other Languages
  - General usage
    - Wide range of fields
    - Great Communication



## Why Programming in Economics?

- ► Analysis of Economic Data
  - High volume of generated data
  - Impossibility of data management in software such as Excel
  - · Read data from an online database
- Quantitative Methods
  - Influence of different mechanisms on an economic
  - The complexity of economic issues facing economists
  - Lack of analytical solutions to problems



Programming Languages

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## **Programming Languages**



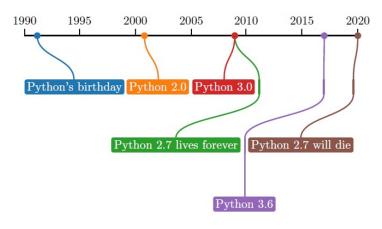


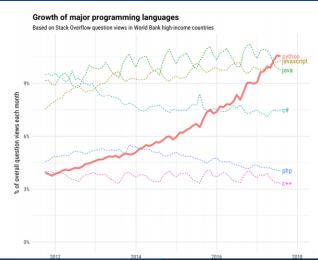
# Comparing the way Python works with common programming languages

- ► C/C++ and Fortran:
  - Time-consuming coding
- ► MATLAB:
  - Lack of proper economic packages
  - Lake of design, efficiency compared to Python
  - Not open source
- R
- Useful in statistics with high variety of packages
- ► Stata
- Julia



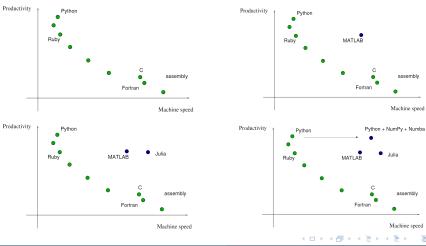
## Overview of the Python development by versions and dates:





Trade-Offs

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Course Content

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- ▶ Python Setup
- Object and Data Structure Basics
- ▶ Python Statements
- Methods and Functions
- Modules, Packages
- Libraries
  - NumPy
  - Pandas
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How to Start?

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- ► Read, Read! Write, Write!
- ► GitHub and Stack Overflow
- ▶ Editors
- ► Anaconda
- Search Skill



• ANY QUESTION...?