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\***Presentation Title:**  **What Excel Users Should Know About Python**

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Integration with Python is one of the most highly sought-after Excel features and, if rumors are to be believed, is coming soon. So, what do you as an Excel user need to know about Python, and how should you think about combining these two data power tools? In this presentation, you’ll learn the basics of Python programming, including an introduction to the packages for analysis and visualization which have made it so popular in the data world. Then, you’ll see how to augment and automate your Excel work with your new Python skills, and where to go next.

To make the most of this interactive presentation, please have the following installed on your computer:

* A desktop version of Excel
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* A code editor. VS Code is preferred. [Download for free here.](https://code.visualstudio.com)

\***Presenter Titles:** Founder, Stringfest Analytics

\***Presenter Short Bio:** George Mount is the founder of Stringfest Analytics, a data consultancy specializing in workforce development. His goal is to help analysts think more holistically about the data tools they use. He is the author of *Advancing into Analytics* (O’Reilly, 2021). George blogs frequently about data at stringfestanalytics.com.

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