WRITING FASTER CODE

WRITING FASTER CODE AND NOT HATING YOUR JOB AS A SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

WRITING FASTER PYTHON

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# https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/R_(programming_language
install.packages("caTools")
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library(caTools)
jet.colors <- colorRampPalette(c("green", "blue", "red")</pre>
                                   "cyan", "#7FFF7F",
                                   "yellow", "#FF7F00",
                                   "red", "#7F0000"))
m < -1000
C < - complex( real=rep(seq(-2.10,0.8, length.out=m), each
               imag=rep(seq(-1.2,1.2, length.out=m), m)
C <- matrix(C,m,m)</pre>
Z <- 0
X < - array(0, c(m, m, 20))
for (k in 1:20) {
 Z < - Z^2 + C
 X[,,k] <- exp(-abs(Z))
write.gif(X, "Mandelbrot.gif", col=jet.colors, delay=900
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SMALL SCRIPTS...

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# Fibonacci sequence (from rosettacode)

recfibo <- function(n) {
   if ( n < 2 ) n
     else Recall(n-1) + Recall(n-2)
}

# Print the first 21 elements
print.table(lapply(0:20, recfibo))</pre>
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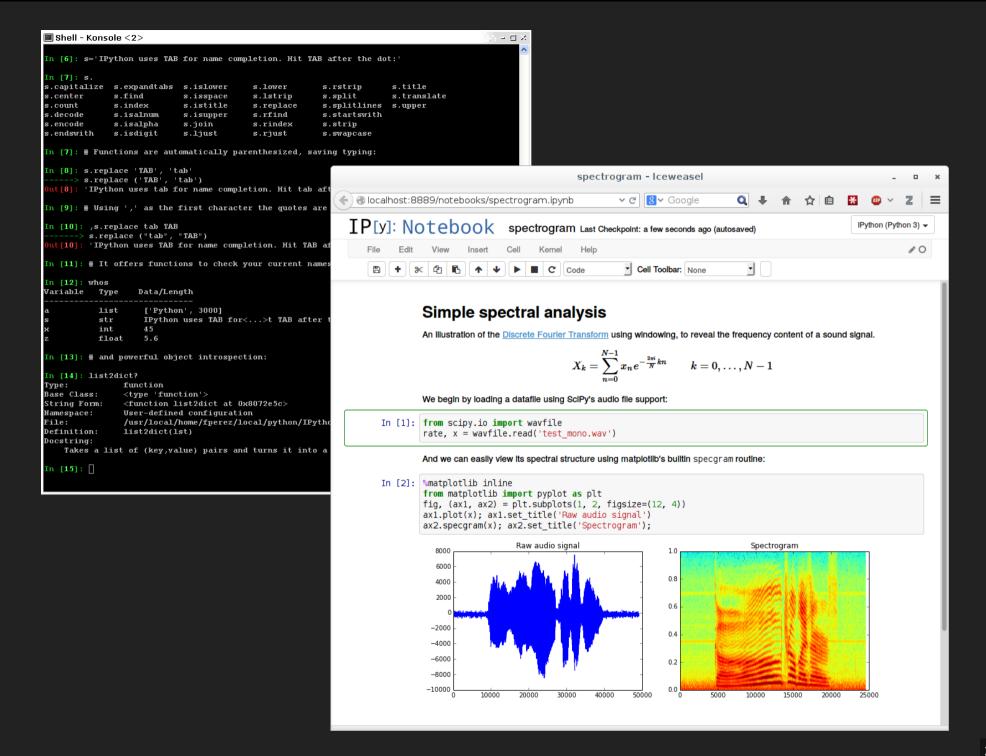
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PYTHON WAS NOT MADE TO BE FAST... ...BUT TO MAKE DEVELOPERS FAST.



It was nice to learn Python; a nice afternoon

Donald Knuth



Would you like your FIRST program EVER to be like:

```
public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello, world!");
    }
}
```

or

```
print("Hello, world!")
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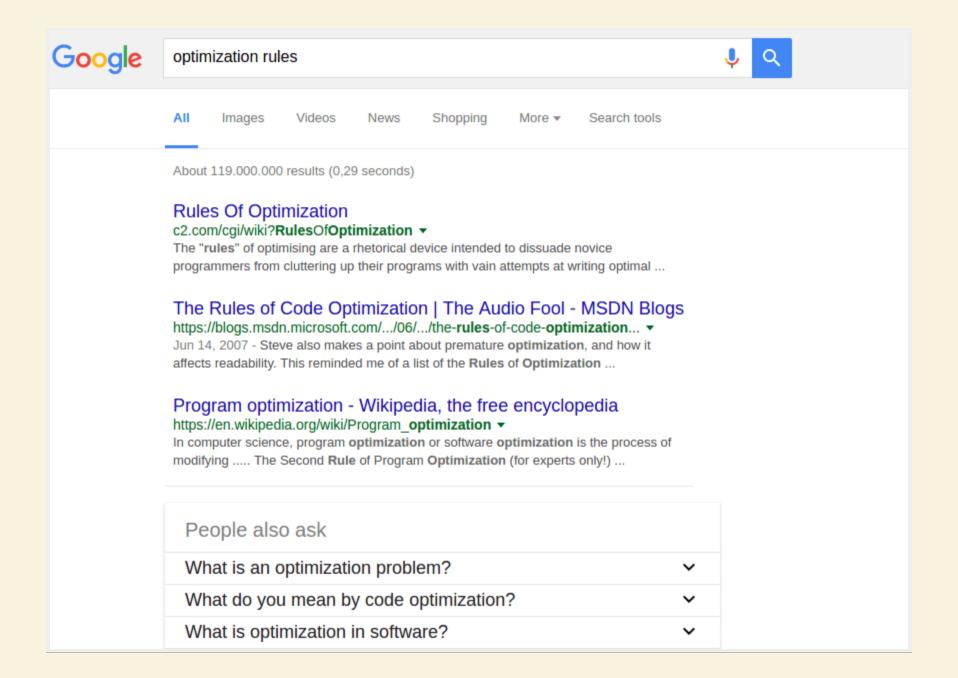






Source: https://www.shoop.io/en/blog/25-of-the-most-popular-python-and-django-websites

OPTIMIZATION



Rules Of Optimization

The "rules" of optimising are a rhetorical device intended to dissuade novice programmers from cluttering up their programs with vain attempts at writing optimal code. They are:

- 1. FirstRuleOfOptimization Don't.
- 2. SecondRuleOfOptimization Don't... yet.
- 3. ProfileBeforeOptimizing

It is uncertain at present, whether cute devices such as this have, or ever will, change any attitudes.

It changed mine.

Mine, too.

Source:

MichaelJackson used to say (when asked about optimization):

- 1. Don't.
- 2. Don't Yet (for experts only).

This is republished in **JonBentley**'s **ProgrammingPearls**.

And lets not forget these famous quotes:

"The best is the enemy of the good."

-- MrVoltaire

"More computing sins are committed in the name of efficiency (without necessarily achieving it) than for any other single reason - including blind stupidity."

-- W.A. Wulf

"We should forget about small efficiencies, say about 97% of the time: PrematureOptimization is the root of all evil."

-- DonKnuth (who attributed the observation to CarHoare)

See: OptimizeLater, LazyOptimization, OptimizationUnitTest, OptimizationStories, http://c2.com/cgi/wiki?search=optimiz, UniformlySlowCode, CodeDepreciation, RulesOfOptimizationClub

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RULES OF OPTIMIZATION:

1. DON'T

2. DON'T... YET

3. PROFILE

OPTIMIZATION IS ALL ABOUT THE SPEED ... AND MEMORY ... AND DISK SPACE ... DISK I/O ... NETWORK I/O ... POWER CONSUMPTION ... AND MORE.

Always code as if the guy who ends up maintaining your code will be a violent psychopath who knows where you live

JOHN WOODS

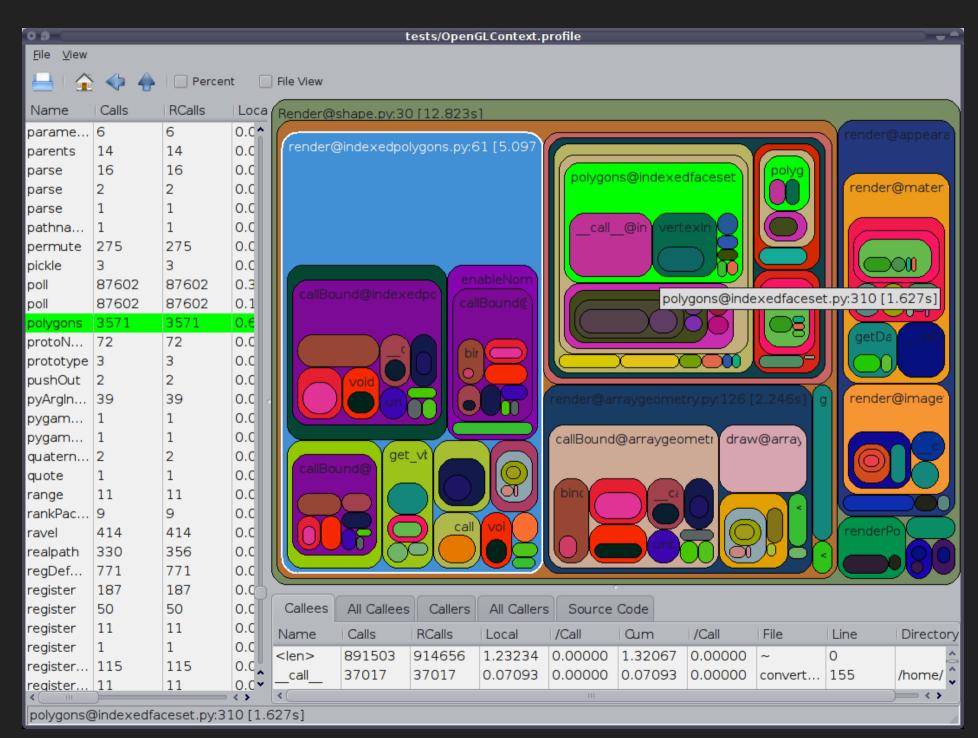
CPROFILE

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In [1]: import re
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       import cProfile
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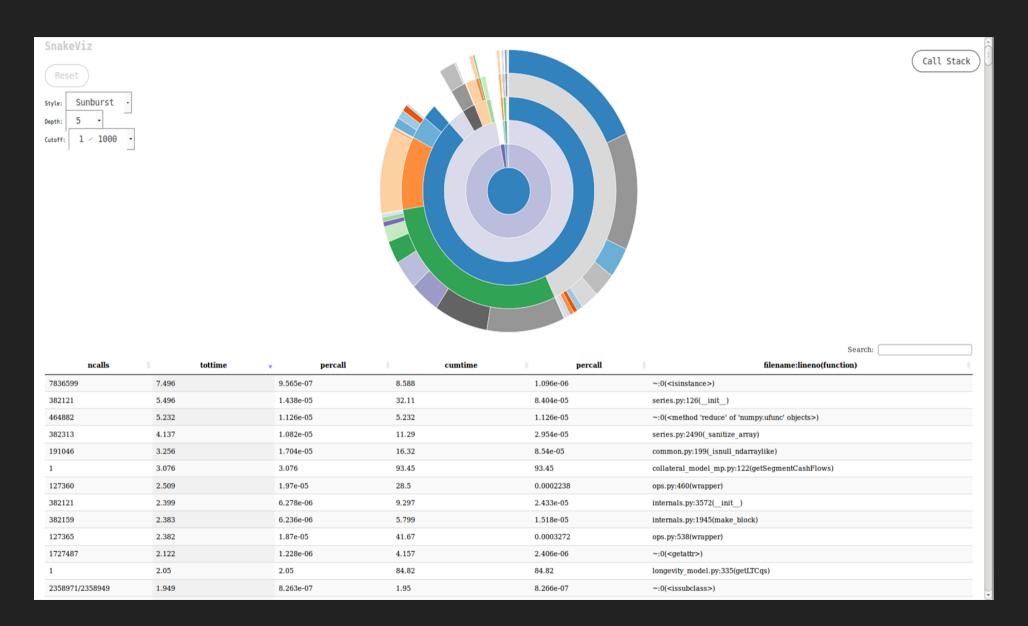
PSTATS

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In [2]: p = pstats.Stats('stats.txt')
In [3]: p.sort stats('cumulative').print stats(10)
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         1817 function calls (1795 primitive calls) in 0.006 seconds
   Ordered by: cumulative time
   List reduced from 118 to 10 due to restriction <10>
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Out[3]: <pstats.Stats at 0x7f6b3da98780>
In [4]: p.sort stats('ncalls').print stats(10)
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                            stats.txt
         1817 function calls (1795 primitive calls) in 0.006 seconds
   Ordered by: call count
   List reduced from 118 to 10 due to restriction <10>
  ncalls tottime percall cumtime percall filename:lineno(function)
                                        0.000 {method 'rstrip' of 'str' objects}
      244
             0.000
                      0.000
                               0.000
                                        0.000 <frozen importlib. bootstrap external>:363( verbose message)
      126
             0.000
                      0.000
                               0.000
                                        0.000 {method 'join' of 'str' objects}
      124
             0.000
                      0.000
                               0.000
                                        0.000 <frozen importlib. bootstrap external>:50( path join)
      120
             0.000
                      0.000
                               0.000
                                        0.000 <frozen importlib. bootstrap external>:52(<listcomp>)
                               0.000
      120
            0.000
                      0.000
                                        0.000 {method 'format' of 'str' objects}
                      0.000
                               0.000
      116
             0.000
                                        0.000 {method 'getrandbits' of ' random.Random' objects}
                               0.000
       61
             0.000
                      0.000
                                        0.000 {method 'rpartition' of 'str' objects}
       44
             0.000
                      0.000
                               0.000
       44
             0.000
                      0.000
                               0.000
                                        0.000 {built-in method builtins.hasattr}
                               0.000
                                        0.000 {built-in method builtins.getattr}
       36
             0.000
                      0.000
```

RUNSNAKERUN



SNAKEVIZ



SNAKEVIZ

Name:

filter

Cumulative Time:

0.000294 s (31.78 %)

File:

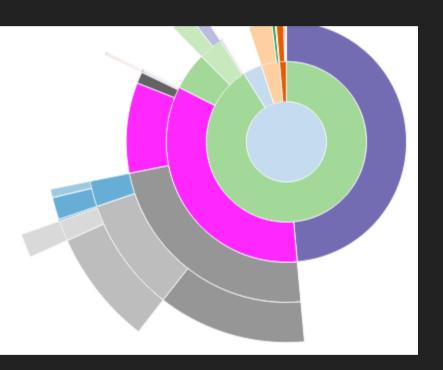
fnmatch.py

Line:

48

Directory:

/Users/jiffyclub/miniconda3/en vs/snakevizdev/lib/python3.4/



MEMORY_PROFILER

https://pypi.python.org/pypi/memory_profiler

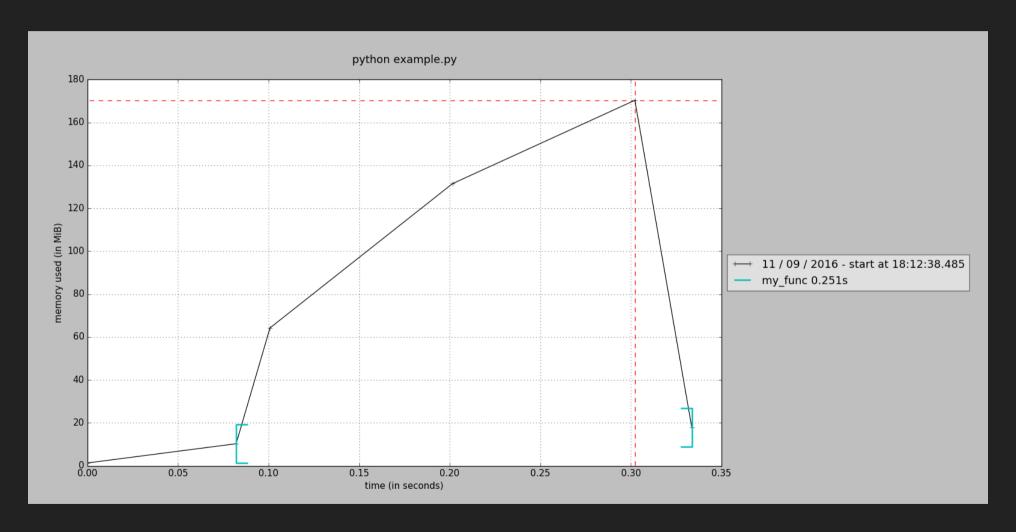
\$ pip install -U memory_profiler

```
@profile
def my_func():
    a = [1] * (10 ** 6)
    b = [2] * (2 * 10 ** 7)
    del b
    return a
```

MEMORY_PROFILER

MEMORY_PROFILER

mprof run example.py mprof plot



https://www.huyng.com/posts/python-performance-analysis

LEVELS OF OPTIMIZATION

- Design
- Algorithms and data structures

```
sum = 0
for x in range(1, N + 1):
    sum += x
print sum
```



print N * (1 + N) / 2

LEVELS OF OPTIMIZATION

- Design
- Algorithms and data structures
- Source code
- Build level
- Compile level
- Runtime level

WRITING FAST PYTHON

A.K.A SOURCE CODE OPTIMIZATION

SETUP

Python 3.5.1 (IPython 1.2.1)

```
def ultimate_answer_to_life():
    return 42
```

```
>>> %timeit ultimate_answer_to_life()
10000000 loops, best of 3: 87.1 ns per loop
```

2.72 × 10²¹ times faster than in The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy ;-)

#1 COUNT ELEMENTS IN A LIST

```
how_many = 0
for element in ONE_MILLION_ELEMENTS:
    how_many += 1
print how_many
```

26.5 ms

print len(ONE_MILLION_ELEMENTS)

96.7 ns

274 000 times faster

		Built-in Functions		
abs()	dict()	help()	min()	setattr()
all()	dir()	hex()	next()	slice()
any()	divmod()	id()	object()	sorted()
ascii()	enumerate()	input()	oct()	<pre>staticmethod()</pre>
bin()	eval()	int()	open()	str()
bool()	exec()	isinstance()	ord()	sum()
bytearray()	filter()	issubclass()	pow()	super()
bytes()	float()	iter()	print()	tuple()
callable()	format()	len()	property()	type()
chr()	frozenset()	list()	range()	vars()
<pre>classmethod()</pre>	getattr()	locals()	repr()	zip()
compile()	globals()	map()	reversed()	import()
complex()	hasattr()	max()	round()	
delattr()	hash()	memoryview()	set()	

And collections module.

#2 SUM ELEMENTS IN A LIST

sum(ONE_MILLION_ELEMENTS)

15.3 ms

ONE_MILLION_ELEMENTS is a numpy.array
numpy.sum(ONE_MILLION_ELEMENTS)

630 µs

24 times faster

#3 FILTER A LIST

```
output = []
for element in MILLION_NUMBERS:
    if element % 2:
        output.append(element)
                     222 ms
list(filter(lambda x: x % 2, MILLION_NUMBERS))
                     234 ms
[item for item in MILLION_NUMBERS if item % 2]
```

75% faster

127 ms

#4 PERMISSIONS OR FORGIVENESS?

```
class Foo(object):
   hello = 'world'
foo = Foo()

if hasattr(foo, 'hello'):
   foo.hello
```

149 ns

```
try:
    foo.hello
except AttributeError:
    pass
```

43.1 ns

3.5 times faster

#4 PERMISSIONS OR FORGIVENESS?

```
if (hasattr(foo, 'foo') and hasattr(foo, 'bar')
    and hasattr(foo, 'baz')):
    foo.foo
    foo.bar
    foo.baz
```

401 ns

```
try:
    foo.foo
    foo.bar
    foo.baz
except AttributeError:
    pass
```

110 ns

3.64 times faster

#4 PERMISSIONS OR FORGIVENESS?

```
class Bar(object):
    pass
bar = Bar()

if hasattr(bar, 'hello'):
    bar.hello
```

428 ns

```
try:
    bar.hello
except AttributeError:
    pass
```

536 ns 25% slower

#5 MEMBERSHIP TESTING

```
def check_number(number):
    for item in MILLION_NUMBERS:
        if item == number:
            return True
    return False
%timeit check_number(500000)
                      18 ms
500000 in MILLION_NUMBERS
```

8.45 ms2 times faster

#5 MEMBERSHIP TESTING

100 in MILLION_NUMBERS

1.55 µs

999999 in MILLION_NUMBERS

15.7 ms

#5 MEMBERSHIP TESTING

```
MILLION_SET = set(MILLION_NUMBERS)
%timeit 100 in MILLION_SET
```

46.3 ns

33 times faster (vs list)

%timeit 999999 in MILLION_SET

63.3 ns

248 000 times faster (vs list)

%timeit set(MILLION_NUMBERS)

106 ms

#6 REMOVE DUPLICATES

```
unique = []
for element in MILLION_ELEMENTS:
    if element not in unique:
        unique.append(element)
```

8.29 s

set(MILLION_ELEMENTS)

19.3 ms 400 times faster

Trick with OrderedDict (if order matters)

#7 LIST SORTING

sorted(MILLION_RANDOM_NUMBERS)

467 ms

MILLION_RANDOM_NUMBERS.sort()

77.6 ms
6 times faster

#8 1000 OPERATIONS AND 1 FUNCTION

#9 CHECKING FOR TRUE

```
if variable == True:
                      35.8 ns
if variable is True:
                      28.7 ns
                    24% faster
if variable:
                      20.6 ns
                    73% faster
```

#9.1 CHECKING FOR FALSE

```
if variable == False:
                      35.1 ns
if variable is False:
                      26.9 ns
                    30% faster
if not variable:
                      19.8 ns
```

77% faster

#9.2 CHECKING FOR EMPTY LIST

```
if len(a_list) == 0:
                      91.7 ns
if a_list == []:
                      56.3 ns
                    60% faster
if not a_list:
                      32.4 ns
                    280% faster
```

#10 DEF VS LAMBDA

greet = lambda name: 'Hello {}!'.format(name)

332 ns

#10 DEF VS LAMBDA

```
>>> dis.dis(greet)
0 LOAD_CONST    1 ('Hello {}!')
3 LOAD_ATTR    0 (format)
6 LOAD_FAST    0 (name)
9 CALL_FUNCTION 1 (1 positional, 0 keyword pair)
12 RETURN_VALUE
```

Stack Overflow question on when lambda might be necessary

#11 LIST() OR []

list()

104 ns

[]

22.5 ns

4.6 times faster

#11.1 DICT() OR {}

93 ns

1.7 times faster

DANGER

#12 VARIABLES ASSIGNMENT

```
q=1
w=2
e=3
r=4
t=5
y=6
u=7
i=8
o=9
p=0
```

71.8 ns

$$q,w,e,r,t,y,u,i,o,p = 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0$$

56.4 ns

27% faster (but please don't)

#13 VARIABLES LOOKUP

```
def squares(MILLION_NUMBERS):
    output = []
    for element in MILLION_NUMBERS:
        output.append(element*element)
    return output
```

149 ms

```
def squares_faster(MILLION_NUMBERS):
    output = []
    append = output.append # <= !!!!!!!!
    for element in MILLION_NUMBERS:
        append(element*element)
    return output</pre>
```

110 ms

35% faster (and 42% more confusing)

SUMMARY

- There are different kinds of optimization
- There are different levels of optimization
- Source code optimizations adds up
- Source code optimizations is cheap
 - Idiomatic Python
 - Don't reinvent the wheel
- Profile your code and be curious!

THANK YOU!

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