

Introduction to Python

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Overview

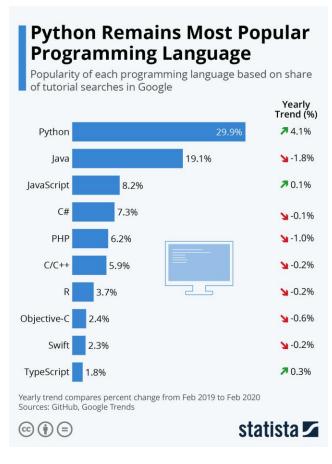
- Setting up Python for the course.
- Data preparation and Data cleaning.
- Two real world datasets.



Why Python?

Why Python is popular in data science and statistics community?

- Python is a versatile language widely used in data science and statistics due to its simplicity and extensive library support.
- Python Libraries:
 - NumPy and pandas manipulate data efficiently, mathematical operations.
 - Scipy and statsmodels provide methods for advanced statistical tests.
 - o Seaborn and Matplotlib help us visualize data and results in a meaningful way.
 - Data science/Machine learning Scikit-learn, Tensorflow (Google) Pytorch (Facebook), etc.





Setting up Python for course

- Python 3.x is recommended as Python 2.x is no longer supported.
- To get started, you can install the Anaconda distribution, which is a data science platform that includes Python and a lot of handy tools. For this session, we'll be using Python 3.x as Python 2.x is no longer maintained. (<u>Link</u>)
- How to install libraries in python?
 - Package manager pip, the package manager for Python.
 - Pip install package-name
 - o example: pip install numpy
- Online tools: Google colab, Kaggle, Deepnote etc...



Data preparation and cleaning

https://github.com/jnikhilreddy/Al-for_cyber_resources



Github Codespaces?

- Entirely cloud based and we can directly work on Github code.
- Very helpful for beginners.
- Github copilot.
- Demonstration