

Chapter 0: Python Recap

Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning

Why Python?



Top **three** programming language¹



One of the biggest languages for **data science**²



Widely available **tutorials**³

1. <https://spectrum.ieee.org/computing/software/the-top-programming-languages-2019>
2. <https://bigdata-madesimple.com/top-8-programming-languages-every-data-scientist-should-master-in-2019/>
3. <http://pypl.github.io/PYPL.html>

Python offers the most comprehensive set of Data Science capabilities today for a wide range of domains



Data handling

NumPy
Pandas¹
SciPy
PySpark



Data Mining

Scrapy
Statsmodels



Machine Learning
Deep Learning

SciKit-Learn
Keras
TensorFlow



Natural Language
Processing

NLTK
Spacy
Word2vec
Gensim
PyTorch



Visualization

Matplotlib¹
Seaborn
Bokeh
Plotly
PyViz
Holoviews

1. We will use the packages highlighted in red in today's exercise

Programming languages are like written languages or mathematical expressions



Symbols

- words comma question-mark quote apostrophe full-stop exclamation
- numbers operators brackets
- reserved-words variables operators delimiters literals



Grammar examples

- [conjunction] [noun] [preposition] [adjective]
- [bracket] [number] [operator] [number] [bracket] [operator] [number]
- [reserved-word] [variable] [operator] [literal] [delimiter]

The full grammar for a language consists of complex rules of construction

Python grammar has only 35 reserved words

conditional:	<code>if, else, elif</code>
looping:	<code>while, for, break, continue</code>
logic:	<code>and, not, or</code>
values:	<code>True, False, None</code>
namespaces:	<code>import, from, as, del, global</code>
object creation:	<code>class, def, lambda</code>
functions:	<code>return, yield</code>
exceptions:	<code>try, except, finally, raise</code>
misc:	<code>pass, await, async, assert, with, exec, in, is</code>

By the end of this workshop you'll be familiar with
~35% of these

https://docs.python.org/3.7/reference/lexical_analysis.html#keywords

One of the stand-out advantages of Python is that it is considered a very “readable” programming language

- Try to spot reserved-words, builtins, literals, variables, symbols in the example below
- Can you tell what this program is doing and how it would run with an input class_list?

```
class_size = len(class_list)
honor_list = []

for student in class_list:
    print(f'Processing student {student.name} with grade {student.grade}')

    if student.grade > 80.0:
        student.honors=True
        honor_list.append(student)

    if student.absent_days > 10:
        print(f'Student {student.name} had high absentee rate: {student.absent_days}')

honor_student_count = len(honor_list)

print(f'There are {honor_student_count} honor students in this class')
```

Before we move
ahead...

...any questions
from prework?



Concepts—Lists and Loops



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Several useful functions to apply to a list

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        print('this abm is the best')  
    else:  
        print(abm)  
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```

Pandas is very are well documented: cheat sheet and cookbook are your friends

Pandas Cheat Sheet

Cookbook



<https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/cookbook.html>

Source: https://pandas.pydata.org/Pandas_Cheat_Sheet.pdf

A set of ~30
commands is all it
takes to assess a
2M-row dataset and
to effectively team
with GAMMA

Internal Python commands

- | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1) list() | 5) for-loop | 9) .append() |
| 2) dict() | 6) if-elif-else | 10) .pop() |
| 3) import | 7) sum() | 11) def() |
| 4) type() | 8) round() | 12) return |

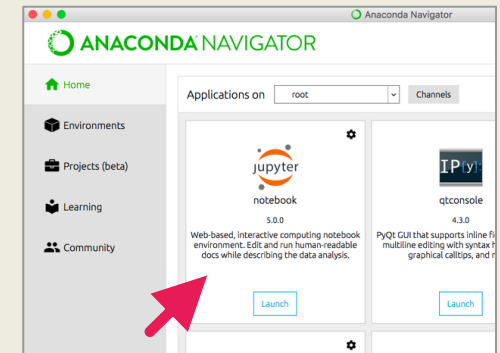
pandas and matplotlib package commands

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|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1) .read_csv() | 8) .describe() | 15) .hist() |
| 2) .shape | 9) .unique() | 16) .plot.bar() |
| 3) .head() | 10) .value_counts() | 17) .plot.scatter() |
| 4) .columns | 11) .sort_values() | 18) .plt.show() |
| 5) .index | 12) .sort_index() | 19) .plt.title() |
| 6) .iloc[] | 13) .groupby() | |
| 7) .loc[] | 14) .to_csv() | |

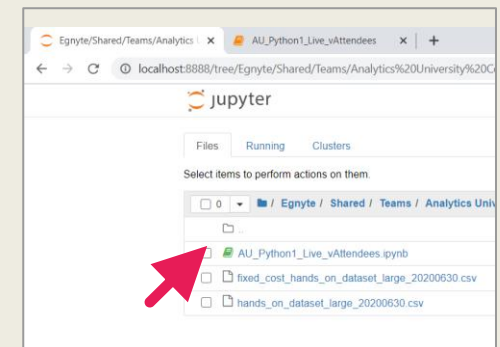


Let's jump over
to our Jupyter
notebook

- Open Anaconda Navigator
- Launch Jupyter Notebook



- Navigate to where you've download course assets
- Open notebook "AU_Python1_Live_vAttendees.ipynb"



Zen of Python: PEP 20

Python has strong community-driven cultural norms,
akin to how you greet someone, dress for a formal event,
or structure a team decision making meeting

If you are unaware of these norms or break them intentionally you
and your work will signal your exceptionalism and unwelcome
violation of **de facto** community standards

If you ever need a reminder of the Zen of Python,
it is near at hand:

```
import this
```

Zen of Python

- 1 Beautiful is better than ugly
- 2 Explicit is better than implicit
- 3 Simple is better than complex
- 4 Complex is better than complicated
- 4 Flat is better than nested
- 5 Sparse is better than dense
- 6 Readability counts
- 7 Special cases aren't special enough to break the rules
- 8 Although practicality beats purity
- 10 Errors should never pass silently
- 9 Unless explicitly silenced
- 11
- 12
- 13 In the face of ambiguity, refuse the temptation to guess
- 13 There should be one—and preferably only one—obvious way to do it
- 14 Although that way may not be obvious at first unless you're Dutch
- 15 Now is better than never
- 16 Although never is often better than **right** now
- 16 If the implementation is hard to explain, it's a bad idea
- 17 If the implementation is easy to explain, it may be a good idea
- 18 Namespaces are one honking great idea—let's do more of those!
- 18
- 19



Runs faster,
Codes slower



C#

Powerful, but focused on
the MS universe



Focused on web
development



Good for ad-hoc scripts,
but not supported by
Microsoft anymore

Strong in statistics
& data visualization



Strong in math,
proprietary



References

Magic methods

- <https://rszalski.github.io/magicmethods/>

Idiomatic Python

- <https://david.goodger.org/projects/pycon/2007/idiomatic/handout.html>

For more practice for Python

- <https://automatetheboringstuff.com/>

Truthiness in Python

- Logic statements are very important in any programming language
 - They control program flow
- In Python, `==`, `<=`, `>=`, `<`, `>`, `is`, `in` all return Boolean values
- `2 == 1 + 1`
- `True`
- `"a" in ["a", "A", "b"]`
- `True`
- To invert a logical statement, use `~`
 - `~ "a" in "apple"`
 - `False`

Concepts — If-else



If-then-else

A control structure to test values

Uses if, elif or else

Always separated with a ':'

Statements to execute are indented by a tab (or consistent no. of spaces)

```
if name == 'Chrissy':  
    print('fun trainer')  
elif name == 'John':  
    print('other trainer')  
else:  
    print('student')
```

Concepts — Functions



Functions

Objects that take parameters, and return one or multiple values

Use them by providing the parameters if any, between brackets

e.g. `max(a,b)`

```
max (1, 2)
```

```
> 2
```

```
sum ( [3, 4, 5, 6] )
```

```
> 18
```

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Concepts — Dictionaries



Dictionaries

A dictionary captures “key-value” pairs

You can lookup the value if you know the key, instantly

A value can be anything (string, list, dictionary, ...)

Initializing: `d = {"key" : value}`

Setting a new value: `d['key2'] = value2`

Lookup these useful functions

- `Items()`, `values()`, `keys()`, `set_default()`



Dictionary vs a List

In a list you need to know where something is to pull it up

In a dictionary, you can give the location a name and not have to know which item it is

Concepts— User Defined Functions and Scope



User Defined Functions

You can define your own functions that take a defined number of variables, and return an output

Functions are incredible powerful to build repetitive functionality

Basic template

```
def function_name (prm_1, ..., prm_n):  
    statement 1  
    ...  
    statement n
```

```
def double(x):  
    return x*2
```

```
double(4)
```

```
> 8
```

Concepts—User defined Functions and Scope



Scope

Variables live where they are “defined”

For example, a function defines a variable called “myvar”. This variable is **not** accessible **outside** of the function

Similarly, if there is a “myvar” defined outside of the function, its value is not changed by the function

```
def double(x):  
    return x*2  
double(4)  
> 8  
x  
> Error: x is not defined
```


Data selection with pandas DataFrames

iloc

Integer-location based selection by position

loc

Row selection by label/index or with a boolean

iloc indexer syntax:

data.iloc[<row selection> , <column selection>]

List of rows: [0,1,2]

Slice of rows: 2:4

Single values: 1

List of cols: [0,1,2]

Slice of cols: 2:4

Single col: 1

loc indexer syntax:

data.loc[<row selection> , <column selection>]

Index value: 'UK'

List of labels: ['UK', 'USA']

Logical index:

df['Capital'] == 'Paris'

Named col: 'Capital'

List of cols: ['Population', 'Capital']

Slice of cols:

'Temperature': 'Population'

Data selection with pandas DataFrames

What part of the DataFrame is selected using the following statements?

1 `df.iloc[[1, 2]]`

	Temperature	Population	Capital
UK	8.5	67	London
France	10.7	66	Paris
USA	8.6	326	Washington D.C.
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2 `df.loc[:, ['Temperature']]`

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