

Streamlit

Streamlit is an open-source Python library designed for creating and sharing web applications for data science and machine learning. It makes it easy to build interactive, data-driven applications with minimal code and allows you to share them directly with others.

Here's an introduction to using Streamlit:

Installation

To install Streamlit, use:

```
pip install streamlit
```

Basic Example

Streamlit apps are written in Python scripts. Here's a simple app to get started:

```
# my_app.py
import streamlit as st

st.title("Hello, Streamlit!")
st.write("This is a simple web app created with Streamlit.")

# Add an interactive slider
number = st.slider("Pick a number", 0, 100)
st.write("The selected number is:", number)
```

To run the app, navigate to the folder where `my_app.py` is saved, and run:

```
streamlit run my_app.py
```

This opens a new browser window with your app.

Key Features

1. **Widgets:** Streamlit includes easy-to-use widgets like sliders, buttons, file uploaders, and more:

- `st.button("Click me!")`
- `st.text_input("Enter text:")`
- `st.selectbox("Choose an option:", ["A", "B", "C"])`

2. **Charts and DataFrames:** You can visualize data directly using libraries like Matplotlib, Seaborn, Plotly, and Altair, as well as display pandas DataFrames.

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

df = pd.DataFrame(np.random.randn(20, 3), columns=['A', 'B', 'C'])
st.line_chart(df)
```

3. **Interactive Layouts:** Streamlit allows you to use columns, expanders, and containers for structuring the layout.

```
col1, col2 = st.columns(2)
col1.write("Column 1")
col2.write("Column 2")
```

4. **Session State:** Streamlit provides a way to maintain state between interactions, which is helpful for applications that need to retain information across user actions.

Advantages

- No front-end experience is needed.
- Simple and clean UI.
- Quick prototyping and sharing (e.g., data exploration, dashboards).