

PTN-105 Python programming

Prerequisite: basic Linux/UNIX and programming skills.

Delivery Method: Instructor-led training (ILT)

Course Length: 5 days

Course Outline

Module 1. Introduction

- Why python?
- Executing Python Code
- Implications of PVM
- Execution model variations
 - PyPy, Jython, IronPython, frozen binaries
- Running python scripts
 - Python CLI features
- Very basic control structures
 - if/elif/else
 - while/else
 - try/except/finally
- Function syntax
 - vargs,key-value arguments
 - function defaults
 - type enforcements for functions
 - Scopes, the LEGB rule
- Debugging python scripts
 - pudb,ipdb
- Modules/packages
 - Python search path for modules
 - Creating simple modules
 - Creating packages

Module 2. Basic types

- Basic types: numeric
 - int, float, complex
 - python3 changes on number arithmetic
- Basic types: strings
 - String vs, Unicode (python2)
 - ByteString vs. String (python3)

- Raw strings
- Printing formatted output
- Dealing with user input

• **String type**

- String manipulation functions
- StringIO
- The unicodedata module

Lab 1: Simple scripts

Module 3. Sequence types

• **Sequence types**

- Mutables vs. Inmutables
- Working with list, array, bytearray
- Slice operator
- Interable objects, iterator

• **List/sequence functions**

- Manipulation elemens (append,extend, pop)
- Sorting
- The range/xrange function

• **The dictionary type**

- Restrictions
- Getting keys/values/items
- Dictionary iterators
- defaultdict, Counter

• **Using set/frozenset type**

- Set type features
- Set operations

• **Other sequence types/functions**

- Basic aggregations: min, max, sum
- The filter function
- The map function
- The reduce function
- The collections module
- The itertools module
- Differences: python2 vs. python3

Module 4. I/O operations

• **Basic file operations**

- open, io.open, codecs.open
- iterating file objects
- fileinput module

• **Path operations**

- os module functions
 - os.path
 - os.listdir
 - os.walk
- glob module functions
 - glob.glob
 - glob.iglob

• **Communicate with external processes**

- limitations of os.call, os.popen*
- subprocess module
 - call
 - Popen

• **Parsing command line arguments**

- getopt module
- argparse module

Module 5. Additional control structures

• **context manager and with/as**

• **comprehensions**

- list comprehensions
- dictionary comprehensions
- generator comprehensions
- embedded comprehensions

• **creating generator functions**

Lab 2: Scripts with sequence types

Module 6. Module 6. Regular expressions in Python

• **Regular expression elements**

- character ranges
- multipliers
- anchors

• **re module functions**

- match vs search
- findall vs finditer
- split
- sub
- compile

• **Use cases for flags**

- single vs multi-line match
- unicode character ranges
- compile vs flags

• **Additional features in regular expressions**

- Back-referencing
 - back-referencing in match
 - back-referencing in sub
- Capture groups
 - referencing groups
 - named groups
 - embedded groups
- Greediness

Lab 3: Regular expressions

Module 7. Python development tools

- Document your code
 - Creating docstrings
 - Using Python doc framework Sphinx
- Testing frameworks
 - The importance of testing in Python
 - Doctest
 - Unittest
 - unittest + mock
 - nose
- Logging in python
 - module logging
 - logging configuration format
- Parallel processing
 - threading module
 - multiprocessing module

Module 8. Advanced topics

- Decorator
 - simple decorators
 - decorators with arguments
 - python built-in function/class decorators
- Performance tips

Module 9. Object oriented programming in Python

- OOP basics
 - Compare OO features of Python and Java/C++
 - python2 vs python3 classes
 - new-style vs old-style classes
 - __slots__
- Member functions
 - Constructors
 - Destructors

- Writing member functions

• **Member attributes**

- General implementation of instance attributes
- Class static attributes
- Getter/setter methods
- Access control solutions
 - the property class
 - the descriptor model

• **Operators**

- operator related functions
- `__str__` vs `__repr__`
- `__call__`

• **Class/function decorators**

- `@staticmethod`, `@classmethod`
- `@abstractmethod`, `@abstractproperty`
- `@total ordering`

• **Python class template**

- inheritance
- abstract template classes
- metaclass

Lab 4: Python OO

Module 10. Python Database API

• **Connecting to DB API compliant Relational Database Management Systems**

- Creating and populating tables
- Retrieving data records
- Executing parametrized queries
- Exporting and importing table data with Postgresql

Module 11. Creating graphical user interfaces using Python/Tkinter

• **Tkinter widgets and their standard attributes** ◦ **Dimensions**

- Colors
- Fonts
- Anchors
- Relief styles
- Bitmaps
- Cursors

• **Organizing widgets in the parent widget area**

- Using pack
- Using grid
- Using place

Module 12. Intorduction to the Python Django WEB application framework

- **Architecture**
- **Creating a Hello world project**
- **Managing settings**
 - URL patterns

Lab 5: Using frameworks