Introduction to Python

2 day training course

Course contents

This course will cover the following topics. Those marked with (*) will be covered if time allows.

Basic coding

- Python variables
- Testing conditions
- Printing and f-strings

Visual Studio Code

- Installing extension
- Configuring settings
- Useful short-cuts

Running and debugging

- The code runner extension
- Stepping through code
- Setting breakpoints

Ranges and loops

- WHILE loops
- Breaking out of loops
- Ranges of numbers

Working with modules

- Installing modules using PIP
- System modules (OS and SYS)
- Maths functions (MATH)

Sequences

- Tuples versus lists
- Iterating over sequences
- Slicing sequences
- Joining and splitting

Manipulating lists

- Adding/removing items
- Sorting lists
- Shallow and deep copies

Files and folders

- Reading and writing
- Using WITH
- Looping over lines
- Looping over folders using GLOB

Error handling (*)

- The try clause
- Handling exceptions

Working with data types (*)

- Manipulating strings
- Numbers and Booleans
- The DATETIME module

Pre-requisites for Introduction to Python course

You don't need to have had any programming experience to attend this course (particularly if you find creating formulae in Excel easy or enjoyed maths at school).

Prices

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