

Advanced Python programming

Classroom or online training course

3 day course outline

This course covers the following topics (any items marked with a * will be covered if time allows):

Working with sets

- · Sets versus lists
- Examples of set use

Dictionaries

- · Key/value pairs
- Retrieving items
- Looping over items

Functions

- Defining functions
- Passing arguments
- Optional arguments
- Modular programming

Comprehensions

- · List comprehensions
- Generators

Scraping websites

- Understanding HTML
- The REQUESTS module
- Using BeautifulSoup

Working with CSV files

- · Reading and writing CSV files
- Dictionaries using the CSV module

Working with Excel

- Using OPENPYXL
- · Workbooks, worksheets and cells
- Python for Excel or VBA?

Working with JSON

- The JSON module
- Loading and dumping data

Working with databases

- The PYODBC module
- Connections and cursors

Overview of Pandas

- · Dataframes and series
- · Reading/writing dataframes
- Filtering, sorting and renaming
- Dataframe calculations

Overview of NUMPY (*)

- Shapes, ranks and data types
- Slicing arrays
- Array operations

Power BI and Python (*)

- · Getting Python data
- Python visuals using dataframes

Introduction to classes

- · An example class
- Designing properties / attributes
- Designing methods

Coding classes

- Simple classes
- Instantiating objects

Attributes

- Instance attributes
- · Setting attributes on the fly
- Class attributes

Methods

- Instance methods
- · Different ways to instantiate
- · Class methods

Read/write properties

- · Getting and setting values
- Private underscored variables
- Action propeties

Inheritance (*)

- · Designing for inheritance
- Inheriting classes
- Overloading
- Using "super"

Dunder methods

- Doc strings
- · String represenations of objects

Understanding existing classes

- Viewing definitions
- · Everything is a class

A case study (*)

- Aim of the program
- · Choosing the objects
- Properties or methods?
- Implementing your classes

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