Automate The Boring Stuff With Python Practical Programming For Total Beginners

More physicists today are taking on the role of software developer as part of their research, but software development isn't always easy or obvious, even for physicists. This practical book teaches essential software development skills to help you automate and accomplish nearly any aspect of research in a physics-based field. Written by two PhDs in nuclear engineering, this book includes practical examples drawn from a working knowledge of physics concepts. You'll learn how to use the Python programming language to perform everything from collecting and analyzing data to building software and publishing your results. In four parts, this book includes: Getting Started: Jump into Python, the command line, data containers, functions, flow control and logic, and classes and objects Getting It Done: Learn about regular expressions, analysis and visualization, NumPy, storing data in files and HDF5, important data structures in physics, computing in parallel, and deploying software Getting It Right: Build pipelines and software, learn to use local and remote version control, and debug and test your code Getting It Out There: Document your code, process and publish your findings, and collaborate efficiently; dive into software licenses, ownership, and copyright procedures

The second edition of the best-selling Python book in the world (over 1 million copies sold!). A fast-paced, no-nonsense guide to programming in Python. Updated and thoroughly revised to reflect the latest in Python code and practices. Python Crash Course is the world's best-selling guide to the Python programming language. This fast-paced, thorough introduction to programming with Python will have you writing programs, solving problems, and making things that work in no time. In the first half of the book, you'll learn basic programming concepts, such as variables, lists, classes, and loops, and practice writing clean code with exercises for each topic. You'll also learn how to make your programs interactive and test your code safely before adding it to a project. In the second half, you'll put your new knowledge into practice with three substantial projects: a Space Invaders-inspired arcade game, a set of data visualizations with Python's handy libraries, and a simple web app you can deploy online. As you work through the book, you'll learn how to: • Use powerful Python libraries and tools, including Pygame, Matplotlib, Plotly, and Django • Make 2D games that respond to keypresses and mouse clicks, and that increase in difficulty • Use data to generate interactive visualizations • Create and customize web apps and deploy them safely online • Deal with mistakes and errors so you can solve your own programming problems If you've been thinking about digging into programming, Python Crash Course will get you writing real programs fast. Why wait any longer? Start your engines and code!

BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN NOVICE AND PROFESSIONAL You've completed a basic Python programming tutorial or finished Al Sweigart's bestseller, Automate the Boring Stuff with Python. What's the next step toward becoming a capable, confident software developer? Welcome to Beyond the Basic Stuff with Python. More than a mere collection of advanced syntax and masterful tips for writing clean code, you'll learn how to advance your Python programming skills by using the command line and other professional tools like code formatters, type checkers, linters, and version control. Sweigart takes you through best practices for setting up your development environment, naming variables, and improving readability, then tackles documentation, organization and performance measurement, as well as object-oriented design and the Big-O algorithm analysis commonly used in coding interviews. The skills you learn will boost your ability to program--not just in Python but in any language. You'll learn: • Coding style, and how to use Python's Black auto-formatting tool for cleaner code • Common sources of bugs, and how to detect them with static analyzers • How to structure the files in your code projects with the Cookiecutter template tool • Functional programming techniques like lambda and higher-order functions • How to profile the speed of your code with Python's built-in timeit and cProfile modules • The computer science behind Big-O algorithm analysis • How to make your comments and docstrings informative, and how often to write them • How to create classes in object-oriented programming, and why they're used to organize code Toward the end of the book you'll read a detailed source-code breakdown of two classic command-line games, the Tower of Hanoi (a logic puzzle) and Four-in-a-Row (a two-player tile-dropping game), and a breakdown of how their code follows the book's best practices. You'll test your skills by implementing the program yourself. Of course, no single book can make you a professional software developer. But Beyond the Basic Stuff with Python will get you further down that path and make you a better programmer, as you learn to write readable code that's easy to debug and perfectly Pythonic Requirements: Covers Python 3.6 and higher

Summary Professional developers know the many benefits of writing application code that's clean, well-organized, and easy to maintain. By learning and following established patterns and best practices, you can take your code and your career to a new level. With Practices of the Python Pro, you'll learn to design professional-level, clean, easily maintainable software at scale using the incredibly popular programming language, Python. You'll find easy-to-grok examples that use pseudocode and Python to introduce software development best practices, along with dozens of instantly useful techniques that will help you code like a pro. Purchase of the print book includes a free eBook in PDF, Kindle, and ePub formats from Manning Publications. About the technology Professional-quality code does more than just run without bugs. It's clean, readable, and easy to maintain. To step up from a capable Python coder to a professional developer, you need to learn industry standards for coding style, application design, and development process. That's where this book is indispensable. About the book Practices of the Python Pro teaches you to design and write professional-quality software that's understandable, maintainable, and extensible. Dane Hillard is a Python pro who has helped many dozens of developers make this step, and he knows what it takes. With helpful examples and exercises, he teaches you when, why, and how to modularize your code, how to improve quality by reducing complexity, and much more. Embrace these core principles, and your code will become easier for you and others to read, maintain, and reuse. What's inside Organizing large Python projects Achieving the right levels of abstraction Writing clean, reusable code Inheritance and composition Considerations for testing and performance About the reader For readers

familiar with the basics of Python, or another OO language. About the author Dane Hillard has spent the majority of his development career using Python to build web applications. Table of Contents: PART 1 WHY IT ALL MATTERS 1 ¦ The bigger picture PART 2 FOUNDATIONS OF DESIGN 2 ¦ Separation of concerns 3 ¦ Abstraction and encapsulation 4 ¦ Designing for high performance 5 ¦ Testing your software PART 3 NAILING DOWN LARGE SYSTEMS 6 ¦ Separation of concerns in practice 7 ¦ Extensibility and flexibility 8 ¦ The rules (and exceptions) of inheritance 9 ¦ Keeping things lightweight 10 ¦ Achieving loose coupling PART 4 WHAT'S NEXT? 11 ¦ Onward and upward

The professional programmer's Deitel® guide to Python® with introductory artificial intelligence case studies Written for programmers with a background in another high-level language, Python for Programmers uses hands-on instruction to teach today's most compelling, leading-edge computing technologies and programming in Python–one of the world's most popular and fastest-growing languages. Please read the Table of Contents diagram inside the front cover and the Preface for more details. In the context of 500+, real-world examples ranging from individual snippets to 40 large scripts and full implementation case studies, you'll use the interactive IPython interpreter with code in Jupyter Notebooks to quickly master the latest Python coding idioms. After covering Python Chapters 1-5 and a few key parts of Chapters 6-7, you'll be able to handle significant portions of the hands-on introductory AI case studies in Chapters 11-16, which are loaded with cool, powerful, contemporary examples. These include natural language processing, data mining Twitter® for sentiment analysis, cognitive computing with IBM® Watson™, supervised machine learning with classification and regression, unsupervised machine learning with clustering, computer vision through deep learning and convolutional neural networks, deep learning with recurrent neural networks, big data with Hadoop®, Spark™ and NoSQL databases, the Internet of Things and more. You'll also work directly or indirectly with cloud-based services, including Twitter, Google Translate™, IBM Watson, Microsoft® Azure®, OpenMapQuest, PubNub and more. Features 500+ hands-on, real-world, live-code examples from snippets to case studies IPython + code in Jupyter® Notebooks Library-focused: Uses Python Standard Library and data science libraries to accomplish significant tasks with minimal code Rich Python coverage: Control statements, functions, strings, files, JSON serialization, CSV, exceptions Procedural, functional-style and object-oriented programming Collections: Lists, tuples, dictionaries, sets, NumPy arrays, pandas Series & DataFrames Static, dynamic and interactive visualizations Data experiences with real-world datasets and data sources Intro to Data Science sections: AI, basic stats, simulation, animation, random variables, data wrangling, regression AI, big data and cloud data science case studies: NLP, data mining Twitter®, IBM® Watson™, machine learning, deep learning, computer vision, Hadoop®, Spark™, NoSQL, IoT Open-source libraries: NumPy, pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Folium, SciPy, NLTK, TextBlob, spaCy, Textatistic, Tweepy, scikit-learn®, Keras and more Accompanying code examples are available here: http://ptgmedia.pearsoncmg.com/imprint_downloads/informit/bookreg/9780135224335/9780135224335_examples.zip. Register your product for convenient access to downloads, updates, and/or corrections as they become available. See inside book for more information.

Are you thinking about learning how to use the Python programming language? Thinking about getting started on a programming career? Are you thinking about learning data science? This book is for you!

Want to learn the Python language without slogging your way through how-to manuals? With Head First Python, you'll quickly grasp Python's fundamentals, working with the built-in data structures and functions. Then you'll move on to building your very own webapp, exploring database management, exception handling, and data wrangling. If you're intrigued by what you can do with context managers, decorators, comprehensions, and generators, it's all here. This second edition is a complete learning experience that will help you become a bonafide Python programmer in no time. Why does this book look so different? Based on the latest research in cognitive science and learning theory, Head First Pythonuses a visually rich format to engage your mind, rather than a text-heavy approach that puts you to sleep. Why waste your time struggling with new concepts? This multi-sensory learning experience is designed for the way your brain really works.

A hands-on introduction to coding that teaches you how to program bots to do cool things in the game you love--Minecraft! This book takes the robotic "turtle" method, and extends it to the 3D, interactive world of Minecraft. You've mined for diamonds, crafted dozens of tools, and built all sorts of structures--but what if you could program robots to do all of that for you in a fraction of the time? In Coding with Minecraft®, you'll create a virtual robot army with Lua, a programming language used by professional game developers. Step-by-step coding projects will show you how to write programs that automatically dig mines, collect materials, craft items, and build anything that you can imagine. Along the way, you'll explore key computer science concepts like data types, functions, variables, and more. Learn how to: - Program robots that make smart decisions with flow control - Reuse code so that your robots can farm any crop you want, including wheat, sugar cane, and even cacti! - Program a factory that generates infinite building supplies - Design an algorithm for creating walls and buildings of any size - Code yourself a pickaxe-swinging robotic lumberjack! - Create a robot that digs mine shafts with stairs so you can explore safely Bonus activities in each chapter will help you take your coding skills to the next level. By the end of the book, you'll understand how powerful coding can be and have plenty of robots at your beck and call.

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data in Excel spreadsheets of any sizeSplit, merge, watermark, and encrypt PDFsSend reminder emails and text notificationsFill out online forms Step-by-step instructions walk you through each program, and practice projects at the end of each chapter challenge you to improve those programs and use your newfound skills to automate similar tasks. Don't spend your time doing work a well-trained monkey could do. Even if you've never written a line of code, you can make your computer do the grunt work. Learn how in Automate the Boring Stuff with Python. Note: The programs in this book are written to run on Python 3.

Learn to use PowerShell, Microsoft's scripting language, to automate real-world tasks that IT professionals and system administrators deal with every day. Save Time. Automate. PowerShell® is both a scripting language and an administrative shell that lets you control and automate nearly every aspect of IT. In PowerShell for Sysadmins, five-time Microsoft® MVP "Adam the Automator" Bertram shows you how to use PowerShell to manage and automate your desktop and server environments so that you can head out for an early lunch. You'll learn how to: • Combine commands, control flow, handle errors, write scripts, run scripts remotely, and test scripts with the PowerShell testing framework, Pester • Parse structured data like XML and JSON, work with common domains (like Active Directory, Azure, and Amazon Web Services), and create a real-world server inventory script • Design and build a PowerShell module to demonstrate PowerShell isn't just about ad-hoc scripts • Use PowerShell to create a hands-off, completely automated Windows deployment • Build an entire Active Directory forest from nothing but a Hyper-V host and a few ISO files • Create endless Web and SQL servers with just a few lines of code! Real-world examples throughout help bridge the gap between theory and actual system, and the author's anecdotes keep things lively. Stop with the expensive software and fancy consultants. Learn how to manage your own environment with PowerShell for Sysadmins and make everyone happy. Covers Windows PowerShell v5.1

It's easy to learn parts of JavaScript, but much harder to learn it completely—or even sufficiently—whether you're new to the language or have used it for years. With the "You Don't Know JS" book series, you'll get a more complete understanding of JavaScript, including trickier parts of the language that many experienced JavaScript programmers simply avoid. The series' first book, Up & Going, provides the necessary background for those of you with limited programming experience. By learning the basic building blocks of programming, as well as JavaScript's core mechanisms, you'll be prepared to dive into the other, more in-depth books in the series—and be well on your way toward true JavaScript. With this book you will: Learn the essential programming building blocks, including operators, types, variables, conditionals, loops, and functions Become familiar with JavaScript's core mechanisms such as values, function closures, this, and prototypes Get an overview of other books in the series—and learn why it's important to understand all parts of JavaScript

R is the world's most popular language for developing statistical software: Archaeologists use it to track the spread of ancient civilizations, drug companies use it to discover which medications are safe and effective, and actuaries use it to assess financial risks and keep economies running smoothly. The Art of R Programming takes you on a guided tour of software development with R, from basic types and data structures to advanced topics like closures, recursion, and anonymous functions. No statistical knowledge is required, and your programming skills can range from hobbyist to pro. Along the way, you'll learn about functional and object-oriented programming, running mathematical simulations, and rearranging complex data into simpler, more useful formats. You'll also learn to: –Create artful graphs to visualize complex data sets and functions –Write more efficient code using parallel R and vectorization –Interface R with C/C++ and Python for increased speed or functionality –Find new R packages for text analysis, image manipulation, and more –Squash annoying bugs with advanced debugging techniques Whether you're designing aircraft, forecasting the weather, or you just need to tame your data, The Art of R Programming is your guide to harnessing the power of statistical computing.

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Part of the fun of programming in Perl lies in tackling tedious tasks with short, efficient, and reusable code. Often, the perfect tool is the one-liner, a small but powerful program that fits in one line of code and does one thing really well. In Perl One-Liners, author and impatient hacker Peteris Krumins takes you through more than 100 compelling one-liners

that do all sorts of handy things, such as manipulate line spacing, tally column values in a table, and get a list of users on a system. This cookbook of useful, customizable, and fun scripts will even help hone your Perl coding skills, as Krumins dissects the code to give you a deeper understanding of the language. You'll find one-liners that: * Encode, decode, and convert strings * Generate random passwords * Calculate sums, factorials, and the mathematical constants ? and e * Add or remove spaces * Number lines in a file * Print lines that match a specific pattern * Check to see if a number is prime with a regular expression * Convert IP address to decimal form * Replace one string with another And many more! Save time and sharpen your coding skills as you learn to conquer those pesky tasks in a few precisely placed keystrokes with Perl One-Liners.

Get a firm grip on the core processes including browser automation, web scraping, Word, Excel, and GUI automation with Python 3.8 and higher Key Features Automate integral business processes such as report generation, email marketing, and lead generation Explore automated code testing and Python's growth in data science and AI automation in three new chapters Understand techniques to extract information and generate appealing graphs, and reports with Matplotlib Book Description In this updated and extended version of Python Automation Cookbook, each chapter now comprises the newest recipes and is revised to align with Python 3.8 and higher. The book includes three new chapters that focus on using Python for test automation, machine learning projects, and for working with messy data. This edition will enable you to develop a sharp understanding of the fundamentals required to automate business processes through real-world tasks, such as developing your first web scraping application, analyzing information to generate spreadsheet reports with graphs, and communicating with automatically generated emails. Once you grasp the basics, you will acquire the practical knowledge to create stunning graphs and charts using Matplotlib, generate rich graphics with relevant information, automate marketing campaigns, build machine learning projects, and execute debugging techniques. By the end of this book, you will be proficient in identifying monotonous tasks and resolving process inefficiencies to produce superior and reliable systems. What you will learn Learn data wrangling with Python and Pandas for your data science and AI projects Automate tasks such as text classification, email filtering, and web scraping with Python Use Matplotlib to generate a variety of stunning graphs, charts, and maps Automate a range of report generation tasks, from sending SMS and email campaigns to creating templates, adding images in Word, and even encrypting PDFs Master web scraping and web crawling of popular file formats and directories with tools like Beautiful Soup Build cool projects such as a Telegram bot for your marketing campaign, a reader from a news RSS feed, and a machine learning model to classify emails to the correct department based on their content Create fire-and-forget automation tasks by writing cron jobs, log files, and regexes with Python scripting Who this book is for Python Automation Cookbook - Second Edition is for developers, data enthusiasts or anyone who wants to automate monotonous manual tasks related to business processes such as finance, sales, and HR, among others. Working knowledge of Python is all you need to get started with this book.

Invent Your Own Computer Games with Python will teach you how to make computer games using the popular Python programming language—even if you've never programmed before! Begin by building classic games like Hangman, Guess the Number, and Tic-Tac-Toe, and then work your way up to more advanced games, like a text-based treasure hunting game and an animated collision-dodging game with sound effects. Along the way, you'll learn key programming and math concepts that will help you take your game programming to the next level. Learn how to: –Combine loops, variables, and flow control statements into real working programs –Choose the right data structures for the job, such as lists, dictionaries, and tuples –Add graphics and animation to your games with the pygame module –Handle keyboard and mouse input –Program simple artificial intelligence so you can play against the computer –Use cryptography to convert text messages into secret code –Debug your programs and find common errors As you work through each game, you'll build a solid foundation in Python and an understanding of computer science fundamentals. What new game will you create with the power of Python? The projects in this book are compatible with Python 3.

Get a comprehensive, in-depth introduction to the core Python language with this hands-on book. Based on author Mark Lutz's popular training course, this updated fifth edition will help you quickly write efficient, high-quality code with Python. It's an ideal way to begin, whether you're new to programming or a professional developer versed in other languages. Complete with quizzes, exercises, and helpful illustrations, this easy-to-follow, self-paced tutorial gets you started with both Python 2.7 and 3.3— the latest releases in the 3.X and 2.X lines—plus all other releases in common use today. You'll also learn some advanced language features that recently have become more common in Python code. Explore Python's major built-in object types such as numbers, lists, and dictionaries Create and process objects with Python statements, and learn Python's general syntax model Use functions to avoid code redundancy and package code for reuse Organize statements, functions, and other tools into larger components with modules Dive into classes: Python's object-oriented programming tool for structuring code Write large programs with Python's exception-handling model and development tools Learn advanced Python tools, including decorators, descriptors, metaclasses, and Unicode processing

Does it seem like your Python projects are getting bigger and bigger? Are you feeling the pain as your codebase expands and gets tougher to debug and maintain? Python is an easy language to learn and use, but that also means systems can quickly grow beyond comprehension. Thankfully, Python has features to help developers overcome maintainability woes. In this practical book, author Patrick Viafore shows you how to use Python's type system to the max. You'll look at user-defined types, such as classes and enums, and Python's type hinting system. You'll also learn how to make Python extensible and how to use a comprehensive testing strategy as a safety net. With these tips and techniques, you'll write clearer and more maintainable code. Learn why types are essential in modern development ecosystems Understand how type choices such as classes, dictionaries, and enums reflect specific intents Make Python extensible for the future without adding bloat Use popular Python tools to increase the safety and robustness of your codebase Evaluate current code to detect common maintainability gotchas Build a safety net around your codebase with linters and tests

Impractical Python Projects is a collection of fun and educational projects designed to entertain programmers while enhancing

their Python skills. It picks up where the complete beginner books leave off, expanding on existing concepts and introducing new tools that you'll use every day. And to keep things interesting, each project includes a zany twist featuring historical incidents, pop culture references, and literary allusions. You'll flex your problem-solving skills and employ Python's many useful libraries to do things like: - Help James Bond crack a high-tech safe with a hill-climbing algorithm - Write haiku poems using Markov Chain Analysis - Use genetic algorithms to breed a race of gigantic rats - Crack the world's most successful military cipher using cryptanalysis - Derive the anagram, "I am Lord Voldemort" using linguistical sieves - Plan your parents' secure retirement with Monte Carlo simulation - Save the sorceress Zatanna from a stabby death using palingrams - Model the Milky Way and calculate our odds of detecting alien civilizations - Help the world's smartest woman win the Monty Hall problem argument - Reveal Jupiter's Great Red Spot using optical stacking - Save the head of Mary, Queen of Scots with steganography - Foil corporate security with invisible electronic ink Simulate volcanoes, map Mars, and more, all while gaining valuable experience using free modules like Tkinter, matplotlib, Cprofile, Pylint, Pygame, Pillow, and Python-Docx. Whether you're looking to pick up some new Python skills or just need a pick-me-up, you'll find endless educational, geeky fun with Impractical Python Projects.

A project-filled introduction to coding that shows kids how to build programs by making cool games. Scratch, the colorful drag-and-drop programming language, is used by millions of first-time learners worldwide. Scratch 3 features an updated interface, new programming blocks, and the ability to run on tablets and smartphones, so you can learn how to code on the go. In Scratch 3 Programming Playground, you'll learn to code by making cool games. Get ready to destroy asteroids, shoot hoops, and slice and dice fruit! Each game includes easy-to-follow instructions with full-color images, review questions, and creative coding challenges to make the game your own. Want to add more levels or a cheat code? No problem, just write some code. You'll learn to make games like: • Maze Runner: escape the maze! • Snaaaaaake: gobble apples and avoid your own tail • Asteroid Breaker: smash space rocks • Fruit Slicer: a Fruit Ninja clone • Brick Breaker: a remake of Breakout, the brick-breaking classic • Platformer: a game inspired by Super Mario Bros Learning how to program shouldn't be dry and dreary. With Scratch 3 Programming Playground, you'll make a game of it! Covers: Scratch 3

Python is a powerful programming language that's easy to learn and fun to play with. But once you've gotten a handle on the basics, what do you do next? Python Playground is a collection of imaginative programming projects that will inspire you to use Python to make art and music, build simulations of real-world phenomena, and interact with hardware like the Arduino and Raspberry Pi. You'll learn to use common Python tools and libraries like numpy, matplotlib, and pygame to do things like: –Generate Spirograph-like patterns using parametric equations and the turtle module –Create music on your computer by simulating frequency overtones –Translate graphical images into ASCII art –Write an autostereogram program that produces 3D images hidden beneath random patterns –Make realistic animations with OpenGL shaders by exploring particle systems, transparency, and billboarding techniques –Construct 3D visualizations using data from CT and MRI scans –Build a laser show that responds to music by hooking up your computer to an Arduino Programming shouldn't be a chore. Have some solid, geeky fun with Python Playground. The projects in this book are compatible with both Python 2 and 3.

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BuzzFeed News Senior Reporter Lam Thuy Vo explains how to mine, process, and analyze data from the social web in meaningful ways with the Python programming language. Did fake Twitter accounts help sway a presidential election? What can Facebook and Reddit archives tell us about human behavior? In Mining Social Media, senior BuzzFeed reporter Lam Thuy Vo shows you how to use Python and key data analysis tools to find the stories buried in social media. Whether you're a professional journalist, an academic researcher, or a citizen investigator, you'll learn how to use technical tools to collect and analyze data from social media sources to build compelling, data-driven stories. Learn how to: • Write Python scripts and use APIs to gather data from the social web • Download data archives and dig through them for insights • Inspect HTML downloaded from websites for useful content • Format, aggregate, sort, and filter your collected data using Google Sheets • Create data visualizations to illustrate your discoveries • Perform advanced data analysis using Python, Jupyter Notebooks, and the pandas library • Apply what you've learned to research topics on your own Social media is filled with thousands of hidden stories just waiting to be told. Learn to use the data-sleuthing tools that professionals use to write your own data-driven stories.

A guide to completing Python projects for those ready to take their skills to the next level Python Projects is the ultimate resource for the Python programmer with basic skills who is ready to move beyond tutorials and start building projects. The preeminent guide to bridge the gap between learning and doing, this book walks readers through the "where" and "how" of real-world Python programming with practical, actionable instruction. With a focus on real-world functionality, Python Projects details the ways that Python can be used to complete daily tasks and bring efficiency to businesses and individuals alike. Python Projects is written specifically for those who know the Python syntax and lay of the land, but may still be intimidated by larger, more complex projects. The book provides a walk-through of the basic set-up for an application and the building and packaging for a library, and explains in detail the functionalities related to the projects. Topics include: *How to maximize the power of the standard library modules *Where to get third party libraries, and the best practices for utilization *Creating, packaging, and reusing libraries within and across projects *Building multi-layered functionality including networks, data, and user interfaces *Setting up development environments and using virtualenv, pip, and more Written by veteran Python trainers, the book is structured for easy navigation and logical progression that makes it ideal for individual, classroom, or corporate training. For Python developers looking to apply their skills to real-world challenges, Python Projects is a goldmine of information and expert insight.

Step-by-step instructions which take you through each program to automate monotonous tasks with Python 3.7 Key Features Automate integral business processes such as report generation, email marketing, and lead generation Build your first web application that scrapes data and accesses websites' APIs Create graphic-rich charts, graphs, and maps using Matplotlib Book Description Have you been doing the same old monotonous office work over and over again? Or have you been trying to find an easy way to make your life better by automating some of your repetitive tasks? Through a tried and tested approach, understand how to automate all the boring stuff using Python. The Python Automation Cookbook helps you develop a clear understanding of how to automate your business processes using Python, including detecting opportunities by scraping the web, analyzing information to generate automatic spreadsheets reports with graphs, and communicating with automatically generated emails. You'll learn how to get notifications via text messages and run tasks while your mind is focused on other important activities, followed by understanding how to scan documents such as résumés. Once you've gotten familiar with the fundamentals, you'll be introduced to the world of graphs, along with studying how to produce organized charts using Matplotlib. In addition to this, you'll gain in-depth knowledge of how to generate rich graphics showing relevant information. By the end of this book, you'll have refined your skills by attaining a sound understanding of how to identify and correct problems to produce superior and reliable systems. What you will learn Get to grips with scraping a website to detect changes Search and process raw sales files to aggregate information in spreadsheets Explore techniques to extract information from an Excel spreadsheet and generate exciting reports with graphs Discover the techniques required to generate random, print-friendly codes to be used as single-use coupons Automatically generate a marketing campaign, contacting the recipients over different channels Identify and implement precise solutions Who this book is for The Python Automation Cookbook is for you if you are a developer or anyone who wants to automate monotonous manual tasks related to fields such as finance, sales, and HR, among others.

You Will Learn Python 3! Zed Shaw has perfected the world's best system for learning Python 3. Follow it and you will succeed—just like the millions of beginners Zed has taught to date! You bring the discipline, commitment, and persistence; the author supplies everything else. In Learn Python 3 the Hard Way, you'll learn Python by working through 52 brilliantly crafted exercises. Read them. Type their code precisely. (No copying and pasting!) Fix your mistakes. Watch the programs run. As you do, you'll learn how a computer works; what good programs look like; and how to read, write, and think about code. Zed then teaches you even more in 5+ hours of video where he shows you how to break, fix, and debug your code—live, as he's doing the exercises. Install a complete Python environment Organize and write code Fix and break code Basic mathematics Variables Strings and text Interact with users Work with files Looping and logic Data structures using lists and dictionaries Program design Object-oriented programming Inheritance and composition Modules, classes, and objects Python packaging Automated testing Basic game development Basic web development It'll be hard at first. But soon, you'll just get it—and that will feel great! This course will reward you for every minute you put into it. Soon, you'll know one of the world's most powerful, popular programming languages. You'll be a Python programmer. This Book Is Perfect For Total beginners with zero programming experience Junior developers who know one or two languages Returning professionals who haven't written code in years Seasoned professionals looking for a fast, simple, crash course in Python 3

Deep learning is often viewed as the exclusive domain of math PhDs and big tech companies. But as this hands-on guide demonstrates, programmers comfortable with Python can achieve impressive results in deep learning with little math background, small amounts of data, and minimal code. How? With fastai, the first library to provide a consistent interface to the most frequently used deep learning applications. Authors Jeremy Howard and Sylvain Gugger, the creators of fastai, show you how to train a model on a wide range of tasks using fastai and PyTorch. You'll also dive progressively further into deep learning theory to gain a complete understanding of the algorithms behind the scenes. Train models in computer vision, natural language processing, tabular data, and collaborative filtering Learn the latest deep learning techniques that matter most in practice Improve accuracy, speed, and reliability by understanding how deep learning models work Discover how to turn your models into web applications Implement deep learning algorithms from scratch Consider the ethical implications of your work Gain insight from the foreword by PyTorch cofounder, Soumith Chintala

Invent your own Python scripts to automate your infrastructure Key Features Make the most of Python libraries and modules to automate your infrastructure Leverage Python programming to automate server configurations and administration tasks Efficiently develop your Python skill set Book Description Hands-On Enterprise Automation with Python starts by covering the set up of a Python environment to perform automation tasks, as well as the modules, libraries, and tools you will be using. We'll explore examples of network automation tasks using simple Python programs and Ansible. Next, we will walk you through automating administration tasks with Python Fabric, where you will learn to perform server configuration and administration, along with system administration tasks such as user management, database management, and process management. As you progress through this book, you'll automate several testing services with Python scripts and perform automation tasks on virtual machines and cloud infrastructure with Python. In the concluding chapters, you will cover Python-based offensive security tools and learn how to automate your security tasks. By the end of this book, you will have mastered the skills of automating several system administration tasks with Python. What you will learn Understand common automation modules used in Python Develop Python scripts to manage network devices Automate common Linux administration tasks with Ansible and Fabric Managing Linux

processes Administrate VMware, OpenStack, and AWS instances with Python Security automation and sharing code on GitHub Who this book is for Hands-On Enterprise Automation with Python is for system administrators and DevOps engineers who are looking for an alternative to major automation frameworks such as Puppet and Chef. Basic programming knowledge with Python and Linux shell scripting is necessary.

Learn how to program in Python while making and breaking ciphers—algorithms used to create and send secret messages! After a crash course in Python programming basics, you'll learn to make, test, and hack programs that encrypt text with classical ciphers like the transposition cipher and Vigenère cipher. You'll begin with simple programs for the reverse and Caesar ciphers and then work your way up to public key cryptography, the type of encryption used to secure today's online transactions, including digital signatures, email, and Bitcoin. Each program includes the full code and a line-by-line explanation of how things work. By the end of the book, you'll have learned how to code in Python and you'll have the clever programs to prove it! You'll also learn how to: - Combine loops, variables, and flow control statements into real working programs - Use dictionary files to instantly detect whether decrypted messages are valid English or gibberish - Create test programs to make sure that your code encrypts and decrypts correctly - Code (and hack!) a working example of the affine cipher, which uses modular arithmetic to encrypt a message - Break ciphers with techniques such as brute-force and frequency analysis There's no better way to learn to code than to play with real programs. Cracking Codes with Python makes the learning fun!

Would you like to start programming, but you don't know where to start?Do you feel discouraged and unsuitable, but are you interested in programming languages and their potential?If that's true, then read on. What Eric Bader has created is a guide with simple concepts that anyone can understand.If you want to start studying a programming language, Python is the best choice.Python is one of today's most powerful languages and can be used for several interesting needs. Python is an object-oriented dynamic programming language that offers strong integration with other languages and programs.Python is used in many areas.Among the most sought after we find data analysis, web development and writing automation script. In this beginner's guide you will learn Python from scratch, but not only! You will also discover some advanced aspects! The idea of an intensive course was born from the desire to offer users a chance to learn the basics of Python in a few days. In this book you will find practical examples and illustrations to better understand what is being explained and you will come up with some interesting tricks that you will appreciate very much! The book deals with some of the most useful and interesting topics: 7 important why to use Python The basics of the Python language The different possibilities of use Automate boring processes Data science Machine learning Data Analysis Data science is increasingly being applied today and artificial intelligence is one of the fastest growing fields. Everything starts from a programming language. Entering this world is a guarantee of useful skills. What to do if you still don't know absolutely anything about it?Find a simple guide that starts from the basics! If you want to start your journey in the world of programming, you cannot miss a manual like this! What are you waiting for?Go immediately to the top of the page and click on buy now!

"This book will be riveting reading for security professionals and students, as well as technophiles interested in learning about how computer security fits into the big picture and high-level hackers seeking to broaden their understanding of their craft."--BOOK JACKET.

Learn how to program with Python from beginning to end. This book is for beginners who want to get up to speed quickly and become intermediate programmers fast!

Hacking Secret Ciphers with Python not only teaches you how to write in secret ciphers with paper and pencil. This book teaches you how to write your own cipher programs and also the hacking programs that can break the encrypted messages from these ciphers. Unfortunately, the programs in this book won't get the reader in trouble with the law (or rather, fortunately) but it is a guide on the basics of both cryptography and the Python programming language. Instead of presenting a dull laundry list of concepts, this book provides the source code to several fun programming projects for adults and young adults.

Best-selling author Al Sweigart shows you how to easily build over 80 fun programs with minimal code and maximum creativity. If you've mastered basic Python syntax and you're ready to start writing programs, you'll find The Big Book of Small Python Projects both enlightening and fun. This collection of 81 Python projects will have you making digital art, games, animations, counting pro- grams, and more right away. Once you see how the code works, you'll practice re-creating the programs and experiment by adding your own custom touches. These simple, text-based programs are 256 lines of code or less. And whether it's a vintage screensaver, a snail-racing game, a clickbait headline generator, or animated strands of DNA, each project is designed to be self-contained so you can easily share it online. You'll create: • Hangman, Blackjack, and other games to play against your friends or the computer • Simulations of a forest fire, a million dice rolls, and a Japanese abacus • Animations like a virtual fish tank, a rotating cube, and a bouncing DVD logo screensaver • A first-person 3D maze game • Encryption programs that use ciphers like ROT13 and Vigenère to conceal text If you're tired of standard step-by-step tutorials, you'll love the learn-by-doing approach of The Big Book of Small Python Projects. It's proof that good things come in small programs!

Python's simplicity lets you become productive quickly, but this often means you aren't using everything it has to offer. With this hands-on guide, you'll learn how to write effective, idiomatic Python code by leveraging its best—and possibly most neglected—features. Author Luciano Ramalho takes you through Python's core language features and libraries, and shows you how to make your code shorter, faster, and more readable at the same time. Many experienced programmers try to bend Python to fit patterns they learned from other languages, and never discover Python features outside of their experience. With this book, those Python programmers will thoroughly learn how to become proficient in Python 3. This book covers: Python data model: understand how special methods are the key to the consistent behavior of objects Data structures: take full advantage of built-in types, and understand the text vs bytes duality in the Unicode age Functions as objects: view Python functions as first-class objects, and understand how this affects popular design patterns Object-oriented idioms: build classes by learning about references, mutability, interfaces, operator overloading, and multiple inheritance Control flow: leverage context managers, generators, coroutines, and concurrency with the concurrent.futures and asyncio packages Metaprogramming: understand how properties, attribute descriptors, class decorators, and metaclasses work

An indispensable collection of practical tips and real-world advice for tackling common Python problems and taking your code to the next level. Features interviews with high-profile Python developers who share their tips, tricks, best practices, and real-world advice gleaned from years of experience. Sharpen your Python skills as you dive deep into the Python programming language with Serious Python. You'll cover a range of advanced topics like multithreading and memorization, get advice from experts on things like designing APIs and dealing with databases, and learn Python internals to help you gain a deeper understanding of the language itself. Written for developers and experienced programmers, Serious Python brings together over 15 years of Python experience to teach you how to avoid common mistakes, write code more efficiently, and build better programs in less time. As you make your way through the book's extensive tutorials, you'll learn how to start a project and tackle topics like versioning, layouts, coding style, and automated checks. You'll learn how to package your software for distribution, optimize performance, use the right data structures, define functions efficiently, pick the right libraries, build future-proof

programs, and optimize your programs down to the bytecode. You'll also learn how to: - Make and use effective decorators and methods, including abstract, static, and class methods - Employ Python for functional programming using generators, pure functions, and functional functions - Extend flake8 to work with the abstract syntax tree (AST) to introduce more sophisticated automatic checks into your programs - Apply dynamic performance analysis to identify bottlenecks in your code - Work with relational databases and effectively manage and stream data with PostgreSQL If you've been looking for a way to take your Python skills from good to great, Serious Python will help you get there. Learn from the experts and get seriously good at Python with Serious Python!

A project-based book that teaches beginning Python programmers how to build working, useful, and fun voice-controlled applications. This fun, hands-on book will take your basic Python skills to the next level as you build voice-controlled apps to use in your daily life. Starting with a Python refresher and an introduction to speech-recognition/text-to-speech functionalities, you'll soon ease into more advanced topics, like making your own modules and building working voice-controlled apps. Each chapter scaffolds multiple projects that allow you to see real results from your code at a manageable pace, while end-of-chapter exercises strengthen your understanding of new concepts. You'll design interactive games, like Connect Four and Tic-Tac-Toe, and create intelligent computer opponents that talk and take commands; you'll make a real-time language translator, and create voice-activated financial-market apps that track the stocks or cryptocurrencies you are interested in. Finally, you'll load all of these features into the ultimate virtual personal assistant – a conversational VPA that tells jokes, reads the news, and gives you hands-free control of your email, browser, music player, desktop files, and more. Along the way, you'll learn how to: ? Build Python modules, implement animations, and integrate live data into an app ? Use web-scraping skills for voice-controlling podcasts, videos, and web searches ? Fine-tune the speech recognition to accept a variety of input ? Associate regular tasks like opening files and accessing the web with speech commands ? Integrate functionality from other programs into a single VPA with computational knowledge engines to answer almost any question Packed with cross-platform code examples to download, practice activities and exercises, and explainer images, you'll quickly become proficient in Python coding in general and speech recognition/text to speech in particular.