



Practical Guide to Using Python

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Why use Python

- High level language
 - powerful tools for manipulating data: tuples, dicts, list comprehensions
 - regular expressions
 - no compiling needed
 - easy to build web applications
- Lots of packages
 - your problem probably already solved
 - rich standard library and extras on Python Package Index (PyPI)
 - data parsing (CSV, Excel, JSON, ...)
 - web services hooks (reddit, twitter, facebook, dropbox, ...)
- Simple, straightforward language
- People know it!
 - used heavily in the industry
 - taught in Academia



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Example: Printing file contents from arguments

```
from sys import argv
import re
for arg in argv[1:]:
    if re.match(r'^*[.](txt|csv), arg):
        with open(arg) as file:
            print(file.read())
    elif arg[-4:] == '.bin':
        print("%s is binary, skipping" % arg)
    else:
        print("Sorry, can't handle %s" % arg)
```





Example: Sending files as email

```
from sys import argv
import smtplib
from email.mime.text import MIMEText
smtp = smtplib.SMTP('smtp.example.com')
for arg in argv[1:]:
    with open(arg) as file:
        msg = MimeText(file.read())
        msg['Subject'] = arg
        msg['From'] = 'kadler@us.ibm.com'
        msg['To'] = 'kadler@us.ibm.com'
```

smtp.send_message(msg)

smtp.quit()





Example: Replacing CPYTOIMPF

```
import ibm_db_dbi as db2
import csv
```

```
conn = db2.connect()
cursor = conn.cursor()
cursor.execute("select cusnum, lstnam, init, cdtlmt
from qiws.qcustcdt where cdtlmt > 100")
```

```
def trim_col(s):
    try:
        return s.rstrip()
    except AttributeError:
        return s
```





Example: Replacing CPYTOIMPF

```
938472,"Henning","G K",5000
839283,"Jones","B D",400
392859,"Vine","S S",700
938485,"Johnson","J A",9999
397267,"Tyron","W E",1000
389572,"Stevens","K L",400
846283,"Alison","J S",5000
475938,"Doe","J W",700
693829,"Thomas","A N",9999
593029,"Williams","E D",200
192837,"Lee","F L",700
583990,"Abraham","M T",9999
```



Package Management

- Python has a package manager, pip
- Use pip to install packages from the internet
 - Automatically determines dependencies needed
 - Downloads needed packages from the Python Package Index (pypi.python.org)
 - Installs the packages
- upgrade and uninstall packages as well
- pip can also install local packages (wheels)
- No internet on IBM i? No problem! Check out devpi



Example: Making a text table

```
kadler@wernstrom:~>pip3 install ptable
Successfully installed ptable-0.9.2
```

kadler@wernstrom:~>cat table.py
from prettytable import PrettyTable
x = PrettyTable()

```
x.add_column("City name",["Adelaide", "Brisbane",
"Darwin", "Hobart", "Sydney"])
```

x.add_column("Area", [1295, 5905, 112, 1357, 2058])

x.add_column("Annual Rainfall",[600.5, 1146.4, 1714.7, 619.5, 1214.8])

print(x)

https://pypi.python.org/pypi/PTable/0.9.0







Example: Making a text table

City name	Area	Annual Rainfall
Adelaide	1295	600.5
Brisbane	5905	1146.4
Darwin	112	1714.7
Hobart	1357	619.5
Sydney	2058	1214.8





Example: Converting database table to text table

from prettytable import from_db_cursor import ibm_db_dbi as db2

```
conn = db2.connect()
```

```
cur = conn.cursor()
cur.execute("select * from qiws.qcustcdt")
```

print(from_db_cursor(cur))



Example: Converting database table to text table

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I	392859	Vine	S S	PO Box 79	Broton	VT	5046	700	1	439.00	0.00
I	938485	Johnson	JA	3 Alpine Way	Helen	GA	30545	9999	2	3987.50	33.50
I	397267	Tyron	W E	13 Myrtle Dr	Hector	NY	14841	1000	1	0.00	0.00
I	389572	Stevens	K L	208 Snow Pass	Denver	C0	80226	400	1	58.75	1.50
I	846283	Alison	JS	787 Lake Dr	Isle	MN	56342	5000	3	10.00	0.00
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Example: Converting database table to Excel spreadsheet from xlsxwriter import Workbook import ibm_db_dbi as db2

```
conn = db2.connect()
```

```
cur = conn.cursor()
cur.execute("select * from qiws.qcustcdt")
headers = [descr[0] for descr in cur.description]
```

with Workbook('qcustcdt.xlsx') as workbook: worksheet = workbook.add_worksheet() worksheet.write_row('A1', headers) for rownum, row in enumerate(cur, start=1): worksheet.write_row(rownum, 0, row)



Example: Converting database table to Excel spreadsheet

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2	938472	Henning	GK	4859 Elm	Dallas	ТХ	75217	5000	3	37	0	
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9	475938	Doe	JW	59 Arche	Sutter	CA	95685	700	2	250	100	
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```
kadler@wernstrom:~>pip3 install xlsxwriter
Successfully installed xlsxwriter-0.8.6
```

```
kadler@wernstrom:~>cat excel.py
```

```
from xlsxwriter import Workbook
```

```
with Workbook('test.xlsx') as workbook:
    worksheet = workbook.add_worksheet()
```

worksheet.write_column('A1', [10, 93, 42, 59, 34])

```
chart = workbook.add_chart({'type': 'line'})
chart.add_series({'values': '=Sheet1!$A$1:$A$5'})
worksheet.insert_chart('C1', chart)
```

http://xlsxwriter.readthedocs.io/index.html





Example: Creating a spreadsheet







Active Job Dashboard







Using Bottle

- Framework for building simple lightweight web applications
- Includes a templating engine
- Self-hosting web server included or use with flipflop (also included in OPS) in FastCGI mode
- Need PTF SI60566 or superseding
- ... also need ibm_db SI60563 or superseding
- ... and itoolkit too SI60564 or superseding
- See https://ibm.biz/installpythonpackages for more info to install





Application Skeleton

```
from bottle import route, run
@route('/')
def root():
    return "<!-- insert html here -->"
run(host='0.0.0.0', port=3333, debug=True,
reloader=True)
```





Let's Get Some Job Info

```
@route('/')
def root():
    itransport = iLibCall()
    itool = iToolKit()
    itool.add(iCmd5250('actjob', 'WRKACTJOB'))
    itool.call(itransport)
    wrkactjob = itool.dict_out('actjob')
    data = wrkactjob['actjob']
```





You Got Your Job Info in My HTML

```
return """
<html>
<head><title>Active Job Dashboard</title></head>
<body>
%s
</body>
</html>
""" % data
```





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QBATCH	QSYS	676430	QSYS	SBS	2	0	.0		0	.0		DEQW
QCMN	QSYS	676431	QSYS	SBS	2	0	.2		0	.0		DEQW
QACSOTP	QUSER	676465	QUSER	PJ	2	20	.0		0	.0		PSRW
QLZPSERV	QUSER	676478	QUSER	PJ	2	20	.0		0	.0		PSRW
	QUSER	676457	QUSER	PJ	2	20	.0		0	.0		PSRW
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ADMIN2	QLWISVR	801920	QLWISVR	BCI	2	25	228.7		0	. 0	JVM-/qibm/p	orod THDW





Job Done, or is it?

- Basic dashboard works
- No elapsed period, though
- No elapsed statistics
- Plain text formatting limits options, not mobile friendly
- Can we do better?





Move Over WRKACTJOB

- QSYS2.ACTIVE_JOB_INFO
 - Like WRKACTJOB, but in a table format
 - Added in 7.2 TR2, 7.1 TR10
 - ELAPSED_TIME column added in 7.2 TR3, 7.1 TR11





Move Over WRKACTJOB

```
import ibm_db_dbi as db2
```

```
conn = db2.connect()
```

```
query = "select subsystem, job_name,
function_type, function, elapsed_time from
table(qsys2.active_job_info()) x"
```

```
cur = conn.cursor()
cur.execute(query)
return template('root', rows=cur)
```





Root template

```
<html>
<head>
<title>Active Job Dashboard</title>
</head>
<body>
% for row in rows:
   % include('row', values=row)
% end
</body>
</html>
```





Row template

```
</r>% for value in values:{{value}}% end
```





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Move Over WRKACTJOB

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QBATCH	676430/QSYS/QBATCH	None	None
QCMN	676431/QSYS/QCMN	None	None
QCMN	676465/QUSER/QACSOTP	None	None
QCMN	676478/QUSER/QLZPSERV	None	None
QCMN	676457/QUSER/QNMAPINGD	None	None
QCMN	676461/QUSER/QNMAREXECD	None	None
QCMN	676475/QUSER/QNPSERVR	None	None
QCMN	676468/QUSER/QZRCSRVR	None	None
QCMN	676472/QUSER/QZSCSRVR	None	None
QCTL	676405/QSYS/QCTL	None	None
QCTL	676428/QPGMR/QSYSSCD	PGM	QEZSCNEP
QHTTPSVR	801660/QSYS/QHTTPSVR	None	None
QHTTPSVR	801891/QTMHHTTP/ADMIN	PGM	QZHBMAIN
QHTTPSVR	801904/QTMHHTTP/ADMIN	PGM	QZSRLOG
QHTTPSVR	801921/QTMHHTTP/ADMIN	PGM	QZSRHTTP
QHTTPSVR	802163/QTMHHTTP/ADMIN	PGM	QZSRCCI
QHTTPSVR	801915/QLWISVR/ADMIN1	JVM	/qibm/prod





Titled Accordingly

```
from string import capwords
```

```
show_cols = ( 'SUBSYSTEM', 'JOB_NAME',
'AUTHORIZATION_NAME', 'JOB_TYPE',
'FUNCTION_TYPE', ... )
```

```
headers = [ capwords(col.replace('_', ' ')) \
    for col in show_cols ]
```

```
# headers = ( 'Subsystem', 'Job Name',
'Authorization Name', Job Type', 'Function Type',
...)
```





So much better

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Elapsed time: 5.495

Job Name	Authorization Name	Job Type	Function Type	Function	Job Status	Elapsed Interaction Count	Elaps Tota Re s po Tim
676430/QSYS /QBATCH	QSYS	SBS	None	None	DEQW	None	Non
676431/QSYS/QCMN	QSYS	SBS	None	None	DEQW	None	Non
676465/QUSER /QACSOTP	QUSER	РJ	None	None	PSRW	None	Non
676478/QUSER /QLZPSERV	QUSER	РJ	None	None	PSRW	None	Non
676457/QUSER /QNMAPINGD	QUSER	РJ	None	None	PSRW	None	Non
676461/QUSER /QNMAREXECD	QUSER	РJ	None	None	PSRW	None	Non
676475/QUSER /QNPSERVR	QUSER	РJ	None	None	PSRW	None	Non
676468/QUSER /QZRCSRVR	QUSER	РJ	None	None	PSRW	None	Non





Let's Snaz it Up a Bit

- jQuery
 - open source javascript library
 - extendable with plugins
 - massages over brower differences
 - https://jquery.com
- tablesorter jQuery plugin
 - sort tables client side
 - can sort text, integers, floats, currency, IP addresses, dates, times, and more
 - extendable to understand different column formats
 - http://tablesorter.com/docs/





Snazzy!

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Refresh

Reset

Elapsed time: 14.150 seconds

Job Name 🔶	Authorization \$	Job Type ≑	Function Type 🗣	Function \$	Job Status ≑	Elapsed Interaction \$ Count	Elapsed Total Response Time 🔶	Elapsed T Disk lo Co
676465/QUSER/QACSOTP	QUSER	PJ			PSRW	0	0	0
676478/QUSER /QLZPSERV	QUSER	PJ			PSRW	0	0	0
676457/QUSER /QNMAPINGD	QUSER	PJ			PSRW	0	0	0
676461/QUSER /QNMAREXECD	QUSER	PJ			PSRW	0	0	0
676475/QUSER /QNPSERVR	QUSER	PJ			PSRW	0	0	0
676468/QUSER /QZRCSR∨R	QUSER	PJ			PSRW	0	0	0
676472/QUSER /QZSCSR∨R	QUSER	PJ			PSRW	0	0	0
676428/QPGMR /QSYSSCD	QPGMR	BCH	PGM	QEZSCNEP	E∨TW	0	0	0
801891/QTMHHTTP /ADMIN	QTMHHTTP	ВСН	PGM	QZHBMAIN	SIGW	0	0	0
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802473/QUSER /QZRCSRVS	SMKELLEY	PJ			TIMVV	0	0	0
803111/QUSER /QZRCSRVS	SMKELLEY	PJ			TIMVV	0	0	0
803276/QUSER /QZRCSR∨S	SMKELLEY	PJ			TIMVV	0	0	0
802163/QTMHHTTP /ADMIN	SMKELLEY	BCI	PGM	QZSRCGI	TIMVV	0	0	0
802123/QSECOFR /QP0ZSPWP	RVVATKIN	BCI	PGM	bsh	THDVV	0	0	0
802124/QSECOFR /QP0ZSPWP	RVVATKIN	BCI	PGM	sftp-serve	SELVV	0	0	0
676522/QYPSJSVR /QYPSJSVR	QYPSJSVR	ВСН	PGM	jvmStartPa	SIGW	0	0	0
801923/QWEBADMIN /ADMIN4	QWEBADMIN	BCI	J∨M	/qibm/prod	THDVV	0	0	0









How do I get it?

- 5733-OPS is a "skip-ship" LPO that is licensed for IBM i 7.1+
- Initially only Option 1 was defined (Node.js v.1x) all the others are placeholders, to be defined later and delivered via PTF
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- Or, just get the new OPS group, level 1:
 - 7.3: SF99225
 - 7.2: SF99223
 - 7.1: SF99123



But Wait, There's More

- We also include many optional Python packages:
 - SI60563 ibm_db package, DB2 interface & Django adapter
 - SI60564 itoolkit package, IBM i toolkit wrapper for XMLService
 - SI60565 flipflop package, FastCGI gateway
 - SI60566 bottle package, lightweight web framework
- Each PTF just lays down the "wheel", you still need to install it. eg.
 - cd /QOpenSys/QIBM/ProdData/OPS/Python-pkgs/ibm_db
 - pip3 install ibm_db-*cp34*.whl
- See https://ibm.biz/installpythonpackages for more info



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Getting Started Resources

- Official Tutorial: https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/
- Hitchhiker's Guide to Python: http://docs.python-guide.org/en/latest/
- Learn Python in Y Minutes: https://learnxinyminutes.com/docs/python3/
- Learning Python subreddit: http://www.reddit.com/r/learnpython and their Wiki: https://www.reddit.com/r/learnpython/wiki/index
- Python on IBM i Examples (Coming Soon): http://ibm.biz/pythonexamplesonibmi





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