# An Introduction to Sage 

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- Graduate CS student at Amrita University, India.
- Passionate about computer security and Python.
- Use Sage in Cryptography labs, Mathematics courses and CTF contests.


## Objective

Convince you that Sage is cool and should be used in math courses.
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## Getting Started

- GPL licensed mathematics software.
- Unified interface to about 90 popular Python libraries.
- Two modes: command(like Python shell) and notebook(web interface).
- Power of IPython shell and Python programming language.
- "sagerc" file: \$HOME/.sage/init.sage or \$SAGE_STARTUP_FILE.
- Installation
- Pre-built binaries for most OS.
- PPA for Ubuntu.
- Packaging efforts underway for Debian and Fedora.
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## Interactive shell and scripting

- Sage interpreter: IPython shell.
- Sage scripts
- Similar to Python scripts; .sage extension.
- import names from sage.all
- Run as sage <filename> <arguments> like Python.
- Other possibilities: profiling, compiling sage files(Cython), access C functions directly.


## Arithmetic and built-in functions

- General arithmetic supported by an (I)Python shell.
- $\wedge$ is exponent and $\wedge \wedge$ is XOR.
- For integers, / reduces to lowest fraction and // performs integer division.
- Support mathematical functions and constants with arbitrary precision.
- pi.n(digits=20) $=3.1415926535897932385$
- e.n(digits=25) $=2.718281828459045235360287$
- golden_ratio.n(prec=60) $=1.6180339887498948$
- $n(\sin (p i / 3), ~ p r e c=60)=0.86602540378443865$
- sqrt(263).n(digits=20) = 16.217274740226854774
- n(cos (5*pi/4), prec=60) = $-0.70710678118654752$

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## Algebra

- Factorizing polynomials.
- factor $\left(x^{4}-15 x^{3}+84 x^{2}-208 x+192\right)=$

$$
(x-3)(x-4)^{3}
$$

- $\operatorname{factor}\left(x^{3}-6 x^{2}+11 x-6\right)=(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)$
- Solving polynomial equations.
- solve $\left(\left[x^{2}-4 x+2==-1\right], x\right)=[x=3, x=1]$
- Solutions to $x^{2}+3 x y+y^{2}=0$ and $x-y=4=$ [[1.1055728, -2.8944272], [2.8944272, -1.1055728]]
- Use find_root where solve does not work. Also useful to find solutions in a particular interval.
- solve $(\cos (t)==\sin (t), t)=[\sin (t)=\cos (t)]$
- find_root $(\cos (t)==\sin (t), 0, p i)=0.785398163397$


## Number Theory

- Modulus: $\bmod (27,12)=3$ and power_mod $(27,2,12)=$ 9
- Primality test: is_prime $(13)=$ True, is_prime $(15)=$ False
- prime_range $(1,35)=$ [2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31].
- Generator version: primes $(1,35)$
- primes_first_n(11) = [2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31]
- next_prime $(29)=31$ and previous_prime $=23$
- factorial $(20)=2432902008176640000$, factor $(20)=$ $2^{2} \cdot 5$, divisors(20) $=[1,2,4,5,10,20]$
- $\operatorname{gcd}(10,15)=5, \operatorname{lcm}(10,15)=30$
- Differentiation
- $\operatorname{diff}(\sin (x)+\cos (x)=\cos (x)-\sin (x)$
- $\operatorname{diff}\left(\left(\sin \left(x^{\wedge} 2\right)^{\wedge} 3\right)\right)=6 x \cos \left(x^{2}\right) \sin \left(x^{2}\right)^{2}$
- Integration
- integral $(\cos (x)-\sin (x))=\cos (x)+\sin (x)$
- integral $\left(6 * x * \cos \left(x^{\wedge} 2\right) * \sin \left(x^{\wedge} 2\right)^{\wedge} 2, x\right)=\sin \left(x^{2}\right)^{3}$
- Partial differential and solving differential equations also possible!


## Graph Plotting

Circle of radius 4 centered at $(0,0): c=\operatorname{circle}((0,0), 4)$


## Graph Plotting(cont.)

Multiple functions in same plot.

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\begin{aligned}
& \operatorname{plot}(\sin (x),-20,20, \text { rgbcolor }=(0,0,1))+ \\
& \operatorname{plot}(\cos (x),-20,20, \text { rgbcolor }=(1,0,0))
\end{aligned}
$$



## Graph Plotting(cont.)

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f=\frac{\sin (y * y+x * x)}{\sqrt{(x * x+y * y+.0001)}}: \operatorname{plot} 3 d(f,(-3,3),(-3,3))
$$

## Matrix algebra

- Creating matrices: $m=\operatorname{Matrix}([[1,2],[3,4],[5,6]])$
- Arithmetic operations
- $P=\operatorname{Matrix}([[1,2],[3,4]]), Q=\operatorname{Matrix}([[7,8],[5,6]])$
- $\mathrm{P}+\mathrm{Q}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}8 & 10 \\ 8 & 10\end{array}\right), \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}-6 & -6 \\ -2 & -2\end{array}\right)$
- $\mathrm{P}^{*} \mathrm{Q}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}17 & 20 \\ 41 & 48\end{array}\right), 4^{*} \mathrm{P}=\left(\begin{array}{rr}4 & 8 \\ 12 & 16\end{array}\right)$
- $P^{3}=\left(\begin{array}{rr}37 & 54 \\ 81 & 118\end{array}\right), P^{-1}=\left(\begin{array}{rr}-2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2}\end{array}\right),|\mathrm{P}|=-2$
- More functions: is_singular, is_symmetric, is_skew_symmetric, is_invertible, is_square


## LTEXand SageTEX

- ATEXrepresentation: latex(P)

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    \left(\begin{array} {rr}
    1 & 2
    3 & 4
    \end{array}\right)
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- view(P): Display PDF(pdflatex)/HTML(MathJAX) depending on mode.
- SageTEX: Call Sage commands from ${ }^{L A} T_{E X} X$.
- Regular statement: \sage\{pow_mod(27, 2, 12)\}
- Plots: \sageplot\{plot(sin(x) + $\cos (x),-20,20)\}$
- \sageblock and \sagesilent: Embedding Sage code

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## Other applications

- Interfacing with other algebra systems(GP/PARI, Singular, Maxima)
- Polynomials
- Combinatorics
- Graph and group theory
- Linear algebra
- Elliptic curves
- Advanced portions of everything discussed


## References and further reading

- Sage tutorial: http://www.sagemath.org/doc/tutorial/index.html
- Thematic tutorials:
http://www.sagemath.org/doc/thematic_tutorials/index.html
- Tutorials for those with some mathematics background: http://www.sagemath.org/doc/prep/index.html

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## Contributing to Sagemath

- Packaging for Linux distros.
- Improve startup time.
- Ul enhancements: Notebook and 2D plots.
- Mobile applications: Android, iOS.
- Mathematicians help with specific libraries.
- Visit http://www.sagemath.org/development.html for more information on getting involved.


## Thank you!

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