

Sage Tutorial

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Sage

- Sage is a free open source (GPL) mathematics software.
- It combines many open source packages (e.g., GP, R, ...)
- Can be downloaded on <http://sagemath.org>.
- The reference can be found on <http://www.sagemath.org/doc/reference/>.
- More tutorials can be found online.
- Programming language: *Python 3*.
- Tutorial about Python can be found on <http://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/>

Installing

All resources on <http://sagemath.org/download.html>

- **Under Windows:**

- Easiest: Install WSL <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/wsl/install> and follow the instructions for Linux.

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- **Under Windows (Alternative):**

- Alternative:

- <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/wsl/install>

- 1) Download and install the latest version of VirtualBox

- <https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads>

- 2) Download .ova file of the latest version of Sage

- <http://sage.mirror.garr.it/mirrors/sage/win/index.html>

- 3) Run downloaded .ova file and Click Import

- * Recommended use: Run Sage-VM, open browser on the **host OS**, go to <http://localhost:8000>

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- **Under macOS:**

- Install Homebrew from <https://brew.sh> and run `brew install sage`
- Use pre-built binaries:
 - 1) Download the dmg (from <http://sage.mirror.garr.it/mirrors/sage/osx/index.html>), double click on it.
 - 2) Drag the sage folder to e.g. /Applications
 - 3) Use finder to visit the sage folder, double click the "sage" icon.
 - 4) Select to run it with "Terminal"
 - 5) SAGE should pop up in a window.
 - 6) For the graphical notebook, type `notebook()` and open the URL <http://localhost:8000> in a browser (on a single user machine, using `inotebook()` is a little easier)
- Build from sources (instructions on <http://doc.sagemath.org/pdf/en/installation/installation.pdf>)

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- **Under Linux:**

- On GNU/Linux Debian version ≥ 9 , Ubuntu version ≥ 18.04 , Arch Linux...: binaries (`sagemath`), browser interface (`sagemath-jupyter`) and documentation (`sagemath-doc` on Arch, else `sagemath-doc-en`.)”
- Manually install pre-built binaries (instructions on <http://doc.sagemath.org/pdf/en/installation/installation.pdf>)
- Build from sources (instructions on <https://doc.sagemath.org/pdf/en/installation/installation.pdf>)
- Use the VM (but why would you...)

Ways of Using Sage

- Command line interpreter.
~ `sage`
- Write a compiled program or a Python script.
~ `sage file.sage`
- Use the Notebook graphical interface.

The Interpreter

- Best way of testing commands.
- Autocompletion with *Tab*.
- Information about command if you append `?` to a command.
- Information + source code if you append `??` to the command.

The Notebook Interface

- If Sage is sufficiently old, start it from command line by typing `notebook()`.
- You can also run sage with Jupyter notebook, via `sage --notebook jupyter`.
- Easy way to display results and remember commands.

Some Basic Python

- Indentation is vital.
- A function is defined in the following way:

```
def fun (param1) :  
    param2 = param1+2  
    #Comments  
    return param2
```

- True, False (beware of the capital letter)

Some Basic Python

- Conditional statements:

```
if x < 0 or x > 2:  
    # Do something  
elif x > 1 and not y>0 :  
    #Do something else  
else :  
    #...
```

- Ranges:

```
for x in range(10)
```

Some Basic Python

- While statement:

```
x = 0
while x < 10 :
    print(x)
    x += 1
```

Some Basic Python

- Condensed way of defining a list:

```
>>> a = [x^2 for x in range(10) if x%2 == 0]
>>> a
[0, 4, 16, 36, 64]
```

- Some limited functional programming (also check **reduce**)

```
>>> map(lambda x:x%16==0, a)
[True, False, True, False, True]
```

- OO programming (not covered in this tutorial)

Printing

```
>>> a = 10
>>> b = 12
>>> L = [1, 2, 3]
>>> print("a is", a, "and b is", b)
a is 10 and b is 12
>>> print("L=", str(L))
L= [1, 2, 3]
```

How to get a floating point value

- Exact value will be preferred. If you need a value in \mathbb{R} , cast it into Real field *RR*. You can set the precision to an chosen value arbitrarily big.

```
sage: sqrt(237)
sqrt(237)
sage: RR(sqrt(237))
15.3948043183407
```

Rings, Fields, ...

- RR : Real field
- QQ : Rational field
- ZZ : Ring of integers
- Integers(234) or Zmod(234) : Ring of integers modulo 234
- Polynomial Ring

```
sage: P.<z> = GF(2) []
```

```
sage: P
```

```
Univariate Polynomial Ring in z over Finite  
Field of size 2 (using NTL)
```

Finite Fields

- ```
sage: F = GF(5)
sage: F
Finite Field of size 5
```
- ```
sage: F.<x> = GF(2^6)
sage: F
Finite Field in x of size 2^6
```

Primes

- Check if an integer is prime :

```
sage: is_prime(23457)
False
```

- Getting the next prime :

```
sage: next_prime(23457)
23459
```

Modular Computations

```
sage: a = Mod(12,15)
```

```
sage: b = Mod(10,15)
```

```
sage: a+b
```

```
7
```

```
sage: a = Mod(12,15)
```

```
sage: b = Mod(10,16)
```

```
sage: a+b
```

```
TypeError: unsupported operand parent(s) for '+': 'Ring of integers modulo 15' and 'Ring of integers modulo 16'
```

Modular Exponentiation

Compute $x^e \bmod n$:

```
sage: n = 2345
sage: a = 123456578901234567890
sage: x = 12354
sage: Mod(x^a,2345)
RuntimeError: exponent must be at most
9223372036854775807
sage: power_mod(x,a,n)
841
sage: u = Mod(x,n)
sage: u ^ a
841
```

In the first case, the result is an integer in \mathbb{Z} . In the second case, the result is in the ring of integers mod n .

How to Get the Integer?

```
sage: a = Mod(12,23)
sage: type(a)
<type 'sage.rings.finite_rings.integer_mod.
IntegerMod_int'>
sage: b = a.lift()
sage: type(b)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
sage: b = lift(a)
sage: type(b)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

Careful with Your Types

This can be a big source of pain if forgotten!

```
sage: a = Mod(12,23)
sage: type(a)
sage: b = a.lift()
sage: chr( b + ord( 'a' ) )
'm'
sage: chr( a + ord( 'a' ) )
'\x11'
```

Extended Euclidean Algorithm

- For gcd:

```
sage: gcd(12,17)
1
```

- For Extended euclidean algorithm:

```
sage: xgcd(12,17)
(1, -7, 5)
```

Making a plot

- Plotting a function:

```
plot(lambda x:x+2, 0,10)
```

- Plotting values:

```
sage: x = range(10)  
sage: y = map(lambda u : sqrt(u), x)  
sage: list_plot(zip(x,y))
```

Other Useful Functions

- Euler's Totient Function

```
sage: euler_phi(24)
8
```

- Factoring (can be very slow):

```
sage: a = 123456789123456789123456789
sage: a.factor()
3^3 * 757 * 3607 * 3803 * 440334654777631
sage: list(a.factor())
[(3, 3), (757, 1), (3607, 1), (3803, 1),
 (440334654777631, 1)]
sage: a.factor(limit=3000)
3^3 * 757 * 6040255840474425809651
```

Other Useful Functions 2

- All words over an alphabet

```
sage: Words(4,5)
Words of length 5 over {1, 2, 3, 4}
sage: for w in Words([5,6,7],2):
.....:   print(str(w))
.....:
55
56
57
65
66
67
75
76
77
```

Remarks

- Try using virtual environments to isolate Sage from other Python environments.
- Do not try to install via pip (there are no official packages).
- More tutorials can be found online.
- You can run your sage code on cocalc.com