

State of Python Communities in APAC



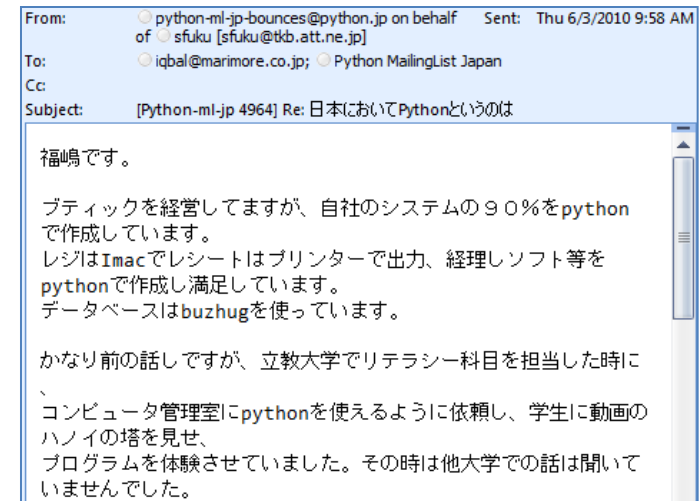
 PyCon Asia-Pacific
Singapore

Caution

- The information may not be 100% accurate ...
 - The information is definitely not complete ...
 - I may 'offend'...
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- I invite you to correct me esp if you come from any of these countries...

History

- Spend the last year trying to get in touch with individuals who could represent Python communities in their countries...
 - Singapore alone was not going to be enough... for PyCon
- Lots of (time consuming) cold contacting... still fine-tuning
- Joined different mailing lists
 - If only I could understand some of them...
- Some countries easier than others....
 - More developed Python economies
- Some are more forthcoming than others....



Australia

- Australasian Python mailing list at <http://starship.python.net/mailman/listinfo/python-au> (Maintained by M. Hammond)
- Python user groups in different major cities (once a month)
 - Brisbane (Stephen Thorne) (<https://sites.google.com/site/brisbanepy/>)
 - Canberra
 - Melbourne (Anthony Briggs, Richard Jones, Tennessee Leeuwenburg) (<http://wiki.python.org/moin/MelbournePUG>)
 - Sydney (Dylan Jay) (<http://groups.google.com/group/sydneypython/web/sypy-home>)
- Oz Zope (<http://ozzope.org/>) - Plone, Grok, etc enthusiast



Cambodia

- Online group since Dec 2008
- Soeng Kanel (Sarak) (pythonkhmer@gmail.com)
(http://khmerlc.org/pykhmer/?page_id=372)
- Companies
 - <http://www.allweb.com.kh/> (django)
 - <http://khmeros.info> (khmer localization)



China

- China PUG (<http://python.cn/>, CPUG@googlegroups.com)
 - 8000+ people participate in discussion, 3000+ threads every month
- Woodpecker Open Source Community (<http://wiki.woodpecker.org.cn/moin/CPUG>)
- Local PyUGs
 - Beijing (<http://wiki.woodpecker.org.cn/moin/BPUG>)
 - Shanghai (<http://wiki.woodpecker.org.cn/moin/SPUG>)
 - Pearl River Delta (<http://wiki.woodpecker.org.cn/moin/ZPyUG>)
- Other large online groups
 - <http://www.okpython.com/>
 - <http://www.pythonchina.com/>



China

- Companies using Python e.g.
 - Kingsoft (Trac customization),
 - Sohu (web.py & Twisted)
 - Sina (IMAP, pop3, smtp),
 - Douban.com (Quixote)
 - Zope China (<http://www.zopechina.com/>)
- Employment demand with python capability is also very high
 - Search python on chinahr.com, zhaopin.com

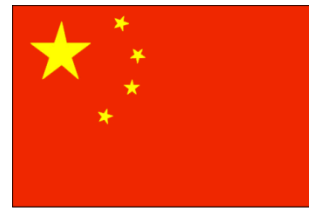
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agile software development



India

- Local PUGs
 - Bangalore (<http://wiki.python.org/moin/BangPypers>)
 - Chennai (<http://groups.google.com/group/chennaipy?pli=1>)
 - Kerala (<http://kpug.zwiki.org/FrontPage>)
 - Mumbai (http://mumpy.org/wiki/Main_Page)
- PyCon India 2010 (<http://in.pycon.org/2010/>)



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Indonesia

- Yahoo! Groups
(<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/id-python/>)
 - 562 registered members in the group
- Local initiatives
 - The Gamer (<http://gdi.nerd.web.id/>)
 - Emtres Indonesia (<http://www.emtres.co.id/us>)
 - User Inspired Technology Services (<http://ui.co.id/>,
<http://www.django.or.id/>)

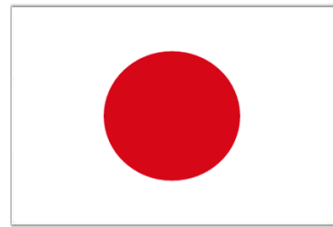


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Technology Services



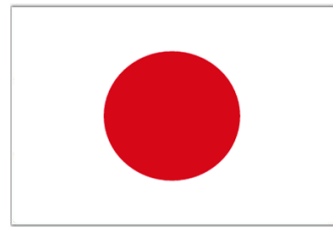
Japan

- Japan PUG (<http://www.python.jp/Zope>)
- Did not really get any response from locals
 - Not sure of the reasons.... language perhaps
 - But non-local responded....
- Companies known to use Python e.g.
 - rakuten inc. (major shopping site in jp)



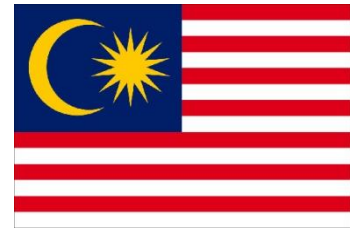
Japan

- Companies known to use Python e.g.
 - marimore inc. (they build an sms solution for the consumer market using django/python)
 - gumi inc. (django/python, they build social apps for mixi, a top japan sns site)
- Universities that use Python for their teaching
 - Waseda, Nippon Bunri, Tokyo Science, Kochi.



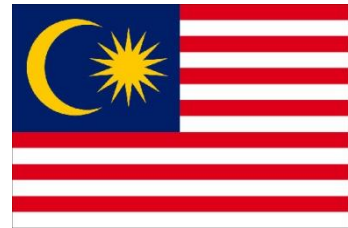
Malaysia

- M'sia PUG (Marcus Low, Jeremy Johnson)
(<http://groups.google.com/group/pythonmy>)
 - The user group is abt 2 years old
- IHLs known to use Python in some way...
 - Universiti Teknologi Petronas (UTP), Asia Pacific Institute of Information Technology (APIIT), Kolej Poly-Tech MARA, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP)
- Companies
 - Enovad (<http://www.enovad.com/>)
 - Adamant systems (<http://adamantsys.com/>)



Malaysia

- Companies
 - InfraLogic (<http://infralogic.wordpress.com/>)
 - Pytech Resources (<http://pytechresources.com/blog/>)



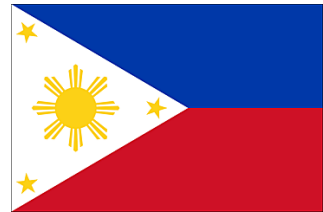
New Zealand

- New Zealand Python User Group
 - <http://nzpug.org> / <http://groups.google.com/group/nzpug>
 - nzpug@googlegroups.com
- Python user groups in different major cities (once a month)
 - Auckland (Guy Kloss, Danny Adair)
(<http://nzpug.org/MeetingsAuckland>)
 - Christchurch, Rotorua, Wellington, Dunedin as well.
- Held the first Kiwi PyCon in Nov 7-8 2009
(<http://kiwipycon.blip.tv/>)
- Kiwi PyCon 2010 (Nov 20-21, Waitangi)



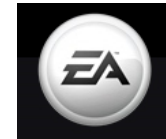
Philippines

- PyPUG (Jose Marie Maranan)
(<http://groups.google.com/group/pinoy-python-users?pli=1>)
- Local developments
 - Smart Uzzap (<http://uzzap.com>), Flumotion
(<http://flumotion.com>)



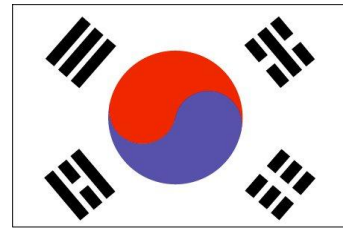
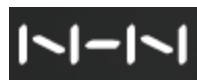
Singapore

- Singapore Python User Group (www.pugs.org.sg)
 - started abt 1.5 to 2 yrs ago
 - Meet every 3 months
- Python used as introductory programming language in Republic Polytechnic (2500 students)



South Korea

- Python Korean Users Group (<http://bbs.python.or.kr/>)
- KLDP (Korean Linux Document Project) community (<http://kldp.org/forum/16>)
- Local companies
 - Daum (web portal)
 - Samsung (test automation)
 - NHN (Next Human Network) – most popular portal site (for maintaining servers)
- KAIST teaches Python to all freshmen
- Seo Sanghyeon, maintainer of FePy
<http://fepy.sourceforge.net/>



Thailand

- PyThai (<http://groups.google.co.th/group/pythai>)
- Local company
 - Proteus Technologies (<http://proteus-tech.com/home/>)



Vietnam

- Python cho người Việt (Nguyen Thanh Nam)
(<http://www.vithon.org/>)
- Vithon is relatively new, tiny and highly scattered.
 - Members from the North to the South, from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City.
- Focus heavily on making Python materials available to the wider Vietnamese audience. e.g the translated Python Tutorial v2.5. (<http://www.vithon.org/tutorial/2.5/tut.html>)
- Companies
 - NextGSolutions (info@nextgsolutions.com)



Not on the Radar...

- Hong Kong
- Taiwan
- Sri Lanka

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