

Swiftly? Moving on from Python

Greg Neagle, October 2024










```
tell application "System Events"  
    display alert "Please restart immediately!" as critical  
end tell
```



DevOps

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DevOps is a methodology in the software development and IT industry. Used as a set of practices and tools, DevOps integrates and automates the work of [software development](#) (*Dev*) and [IT operations](#) (*Ops*) as a means for improving and shortening the [systems development life cycle](#).^[1] DevOps is complementary to [agile software development](#); several DevOps aspects came from the *agile* way of working.

Automation is an important part of DevOps. [Software programmers](#) and [architects](#) should use "[fitness functions](#)" to keep their software in check.^[2]

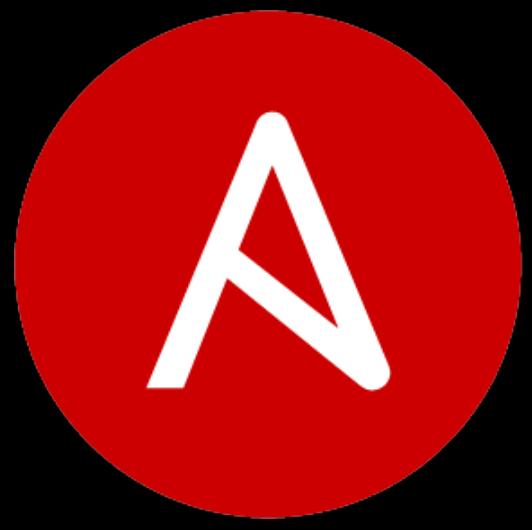
- Version control (**Subversion, Mercurial, Git**)
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- Software-style project management (**Agile/Scrum/etc**)



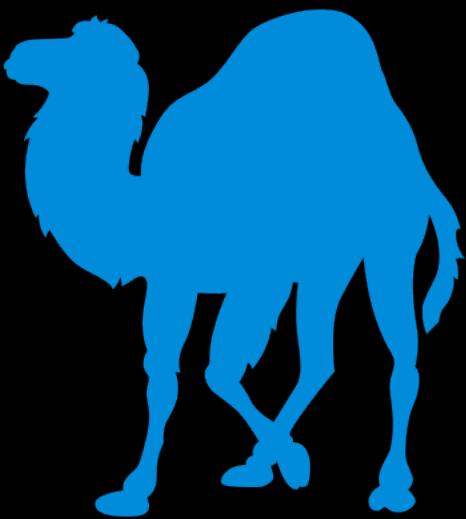
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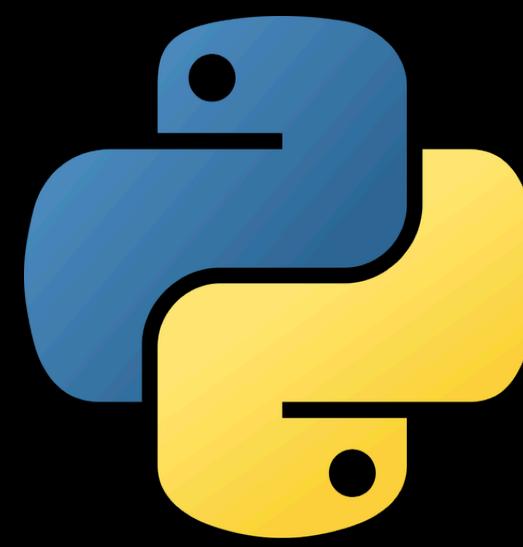
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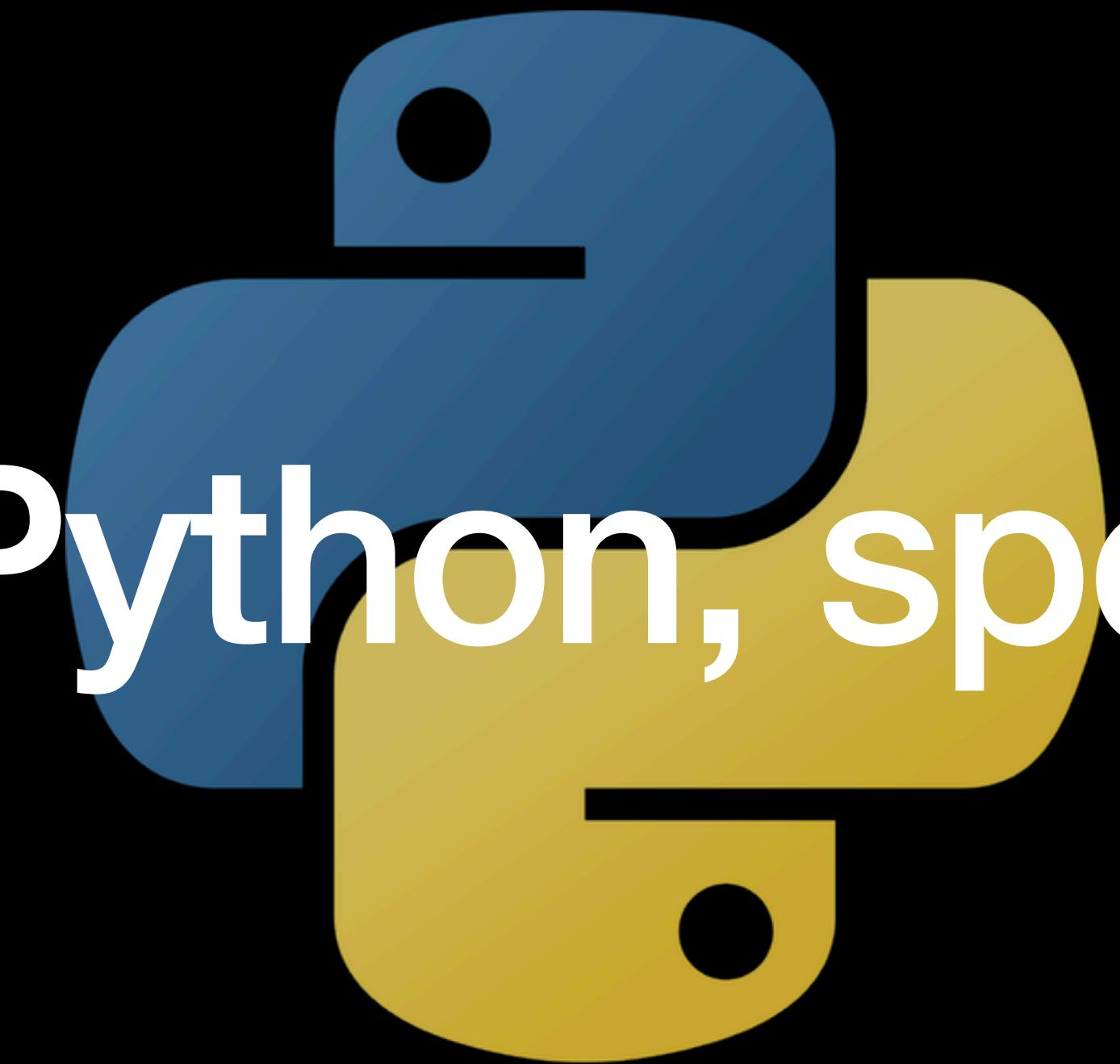
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Ruby

- Complex data structures (dictionaries, classes/objects)
- Libraries (add-on modules)
- Exceptions (robust error handling)
- Debuggers/formatters/linters

So why Python, specifically?





pymacadmin

A collection of Python utilities for Mac OS X system administration

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	keychain-delete.py	1.4 KB	re007acca5619	Mar 20, 2009
	proxy-setenv.py	615 bytes	rd656bed3b39e	Sep 15, 2008
	set-proxy.py	2.2 KB	r7e67eee6c27d	Mar 10, 2009
	usb-notifier.c	23.7 KB	rd656bed3b39e	Sep 15, 2008

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
# encoding: utf-8
"""
```

Usage: crankd

Monitor system event notifications

Configuration:

The configuration file is divided into sections for each class of events. Each section is a dictionary using the event condition as the key ("NSWorkspaceDidWakeNotification", "State:/Network/Global/IPv4", etc). Each event must have one of the following properties:

command: a shell command

function: the name of a python function

class: the name of a python class which will be instantiated and have methods called as events occur.

PyObjC

The image displays three separate screenshots of the Apple Developer Documentation website, each showing a different framework page.

Top Screenshot (Foundation Framework):

- Header:** Apple Developer, News, Discover, Design, Develop, Distribute, Support, Account, Language: Swift, API changes: Show.
- Section:** Documentation, All Technologies, Foundation.
- Content:** Framework, **Foundation**, Access essential data types, collections, and operating-system.
- Code Snippet:** var homeDirectoryForCurrentUser: URL
- Bottom Navigation:** Home, developer.apple.com/documentation/systemconfiguration, Back, Forward.

Middle Screenshot (System Configuration Framework):

- Header:** Apple Developer, News, Discover, Design, Develop, Distribute, Support, Account, Language: Swift, API changes: None.
- Section:** Documentation, All Technologies, System Configuration.
- Content:** Framework, **System Configuration**, Allow applications to access a device's network configuration.
- Bottom Navigation:** Home, developer.apple.com/documentation/appkit, Back, Forward.

Bottom Screenshot (AppKit Framework):

- Header:** Apple Developer, News, Discover, Design, Develop, Distribute, Support, Account, Language: Swift, API changes: None.
- Section:** Documentation, All Technologies, AppKit.
- Content:** Framework, **AppKit**, Construct and manage a graphical, event-drive.
- Bottom Navigation:** Home, developer.apple.com/documentation/appkit, Back, Forward.

```
$ python
```

```
Python 2.7.16 (default, Mar 25 2021, 03:11:28)
[GCC 4.2.1 Compatible Apple LLVM 11.0.3 (clang-1103.0.29.20) (-macos10.
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
```

```
>>> import Foundation
>>> print Foundation.NSUserName()
gneagle
```

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- Josh on [How To: Get the currently logged in user, in a more Apple approved way](#)

How To: Get the currently logged in user, in a more Apple approved way

When running scripts via the JSS, you sometimes have a challenge to get the username of the currently logged in user.

If you're running the script at login or via Self Service, then [\\$3 can be used](#) to grab the username. However, you'll

```
loggedInUser=$(/usr/bin/python -c 'from SystemConfiguration import SCDynamicStoreCopyConsoleUser; import sys; username = (SCDynamicStoreCopyConsoleUser(None, None, None) or [None])[0]; username = [username,""]るusername in [u"loginwindow", None, u""]]; sys.stdout.write(username + "\n");')
```

The Mule's Musings Categorised

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On seeing an example of the above, Frogor over at the ##OSX-Server IRC mentioned that this method was both a little “odd” & not Apple’s recommended way. Then, being the guy he is.. He not only pointed us in IRC to a [link about Apple’s recommended method](#), but also gave an example of how to call it within bash. That example is below:

```
loggedInUser=`python -c 'from SystemConfiguration import SCDynamicStoreCopyConsoleUser; impor
```

[contents.sh](#) [view raw](#)

You’ll start to see the above soon in my new posts, & if you do use Fast User Switching then this may work better for you where other methods have failed.

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macos10.15-objc- on darwin
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>>> from SystemConfiguration import SCDynamicStoreCopyConsoleUser
>>> cfuser = SCDynamicStoreCopyConsoleUser(None, None, None)
>>> print cfuser
(u'gneagle', 4389, 100)
>>> username = cfuser[0]
>>> print username
gneagle
```



Documentation

Language: [Objective-C](#) API changes: None

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System Configuration

Reference

- > DHCPClientPreferences
- > SCDynamicStore
- > SCDynamicStoreCopyDHCPInfo
- ✓ SCDynamicStoreCopySpecific

Group

SCDynamicStoreCopyComputerName

SCDynamicStoreCopyConsoleUser

SCDynamicStoreCopyLocalHostName

SCDynamicStoreCopyLocation

SCDynamicStoreCopyProxies

> SCDynamicStoreKey

> SCNetwork

> SCNetworkConfiguration

> SCNetworkConnection

> SCNetworkReachability

> SCPreferences

> SCPreferencesPath

> SCDynamicStoreCopySpecific

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Function

SCDynamicStoreCopyConsoleUser

Returns information about the user currently logged into the system.

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```
CFStringRef SCDynamicStoreCopyConsoleUser(SCDynamicStoreRef store, uid_t *uid, gid_t *gid)
```

Parameters

store

The dynamic store session that should be used for communication with the server. Pass NULL to use a temporary session.

uid

A pointer to memory that, on output, is filled with the user ID of the currently logged-in user. If NULL, this value is not returned.

gid

A pointer to memory that, on output, is filled with the group ID of the currently logged-in user. If NULL, this value is not returned.

Return Value

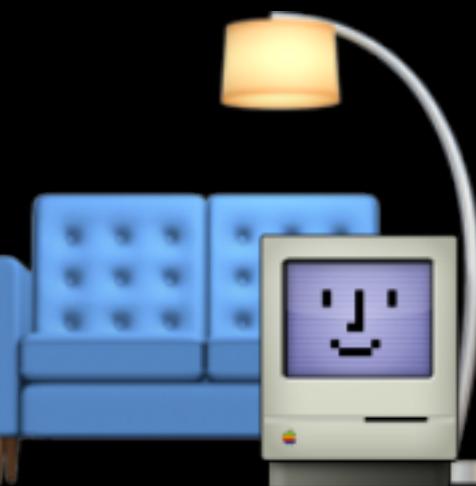
Success leads to success

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- mcxToProfile
- Sal
- AutoPkg
- vfuse
- auto_logout
- installapplications
- munki-rebrand



Why move on?

#1: Python no longer included

Scripting Language Runtimes

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Dec 9, 2019

 gregneagle

 v4.0.0

– 9ddc5a0

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Munki 4.0 Official Release

This is the official release of Munki 4.0, a major architectural change to the Munki tools.

Munki 4 removes the dependency on Apple's Python, and includes its own copy of Python 3.7.4.

Functionality and features are intended to be identical to Munki 3.6.4.

See [Introduction to Munki 4](#) for more information on the architectural changes.

Changes

The package and client code in this release is identical to Munki 4.0 Release Candidate 1.

The only changes in the repo between v4.0.0RC1 and v4.0.0 are to the code/tools/make_munki_mpkg.sh
code/tools/make_munki_mpkg_DEP.sh package build scripts.

AutoPkg users -- IMPORTANT NOTE:

If you use AutoPkg, do not use the munkitools3.munki recipe to import this release, as it will not import the
embedded Python package and any clients "upgraded" with the results will be broken.

A new munkitools4.munki recipe is available in the AutoPkg [recipes](#) repo.



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WardsParadox	Additional fixes around error codes (#21)	67648ff · last year	45 Commits
locallibs	Additional fixes around error codes (#21)	last year	
.gitignore	First code commit	6 years ago	
LICENSE	Initial commit	6 years ago	
README.txt	Add Universal Python testing script (#26)	last year	
make_relocatable_python_framework.py	Change shebang to /usr/bin/python3. Since the tool requir...	2 years ago	
python_universal_tester.sh	Add Universal Python testing script (#26)	last year	
requirements_python2_recommended.txt	Fixes for building on Apple silicon; shebang fix for some ...	3 years ago	
requirements_python3_recommended.txt	Fixes for building on Apple silicon; shebang fix for some ...	3 years ago	
research_notes.txt	First code commit	6 years ago	

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This is a tool to make a relocatable Python framework containing PyObjC.

NOTE: while the resulting frameworks (and interpreters) have been successfully used in several projects (among



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Update Python to Version 3.12 #1204

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skargbo opened this issue on Feb 19 · 19 comments



skargbo commented on Feb 19

...

It appears that the current Python version used in the MSC project is vulnerable to a number of high severity security issues that have been disclosed to the public. To address these vulnerabilities, I propose bumping the Python version [3.12](#), which includes patches for these CVEs.

The following CVEs have been identified in the current version 3.10 of the Python framework used by MSC

- [CVE-2018-25032](#)
- [CVE-2019-12900](#)
- [CVE-2020-10735](#)
- [CVE-2021-28861](#)
- [CVE-2022-45061](#)
- [CVE-2023-24329](#)



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No one—assign you

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None yet

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 macOS Big Sur 11.0.1 Universal Apps Rel...

Python

Deprecations

- Python 2.7 was removed from macOS in this update. Developers should use Python 3 or an alternative language instead. (39795874)

StoreKit

New Features

- [SKTestSession](#) has three new methods to simulate a subscription requiring price increase consent, simulate consenting to a pending price increase, and simulate declining a price increase in automated tests. (84556183)
- SKTestSession has two new Boolean properties to simulate billing retry and grace period in automated tests. You can identify and simulate the resolution of billing retry



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<https://github.com/macadmins/python> Type / to search[Code](#)[Issues 1](#)[Pull requests 4](#)[Discussions](#)[Actions](#)[Projects](#)[Wiki](#)[Security](#)[Insights](#)[Releases / v3.12.1.80742](#)

Python 3.12.1.80742

[Latest](#)

github-actions released this Mar 14

[v3.12.1.80742](#)[5e5340a](#)

Notes

Python 3.12.1 Framework

Changes

- Upgraded Python to 3.12.1

Note: Some of these updates may have breaking changes. Always test your code before deploying to production!

- Uses `--no-rcs` in preinstall shebang

Please see the `requirements_recommended.txt` for the current libraries being used.

- [5e5340a](#) - cleanup old scripts and move to --no-rcs shebang ([#59](#))



Pain

#2: Code signing



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$ file /usr/local/munki/managedsoftwareupdate  
/usr/local/munki/managedsoftwareupdate: Mach-O universal binary with 2 architectures: [x86_64:Mach-O 64-bit executable x86_64] [arm64:Mach-O 64-bit executable arm64]  
/usr/local/munki/managedsoftwareupdate (for architecture x86_64): Mach-O 64-bit executable x86_64  
/usr/local/munki/managedsoftwareupdate (for architecture arm64): Mach-O 64-bit executable arm64
```



Being Responsible

A tale of Transparency, Consent, and Control on macOS

Greg Neagle, June 2023



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DcrfCGqqjkA>



Code signing

#3 The tide has turned



harder to find someone to help

A photograph of a stadium interior, likely Old Trafford, showing a large crowd of spectators in red seats. A bright yellow security guard in a high-visibility vest stands prominently in the center-right. The text "Where are people going?" is overlaid in large white letters.

Where are people going?

A close-up photograph of a hermit crab emerging from a large, white, spiral shell. The crab's body is dark brown with some greenish mottling and is covered in small, light-colored hairs. It is positioned on a bed of fine, light-colored sand. The background is a soft, out-of-focus yellow.

Back to shell

Shell advantages:

- Available by default! (sh, bash, zsh at least)
- Cross-platform
- Simpler syntax and learning curve
- Super easy to call other tools
- Low barrier of entry to new contributors/maintainers



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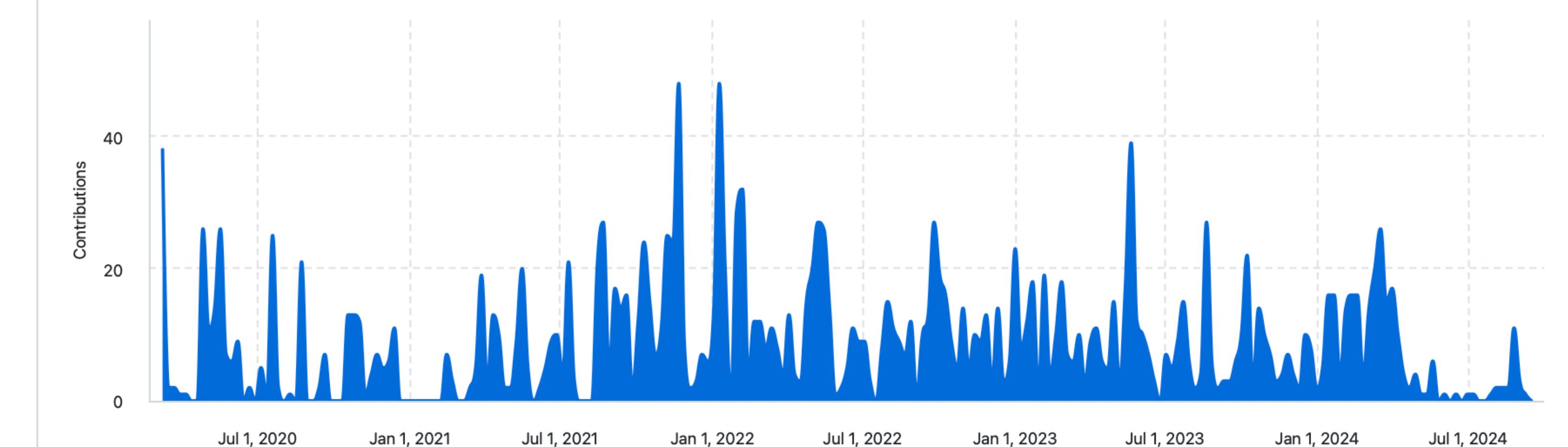
Contributions per week to main, excluding merge commits

Period: All

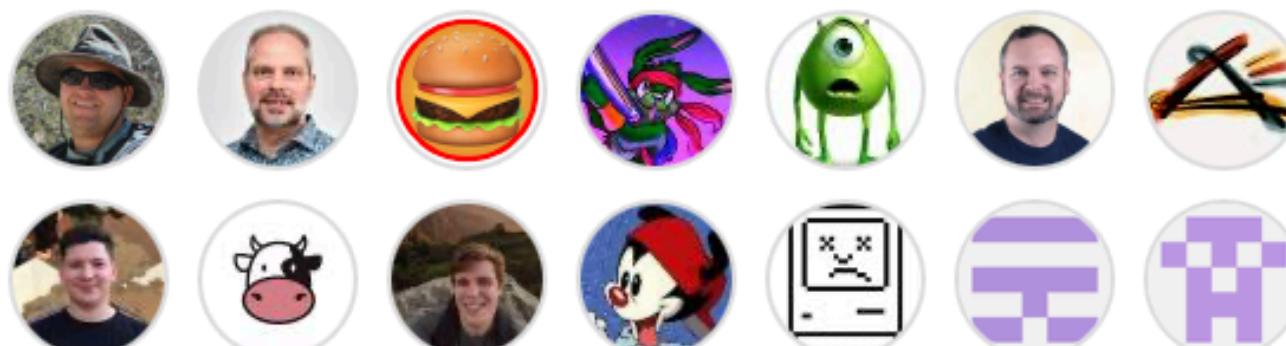
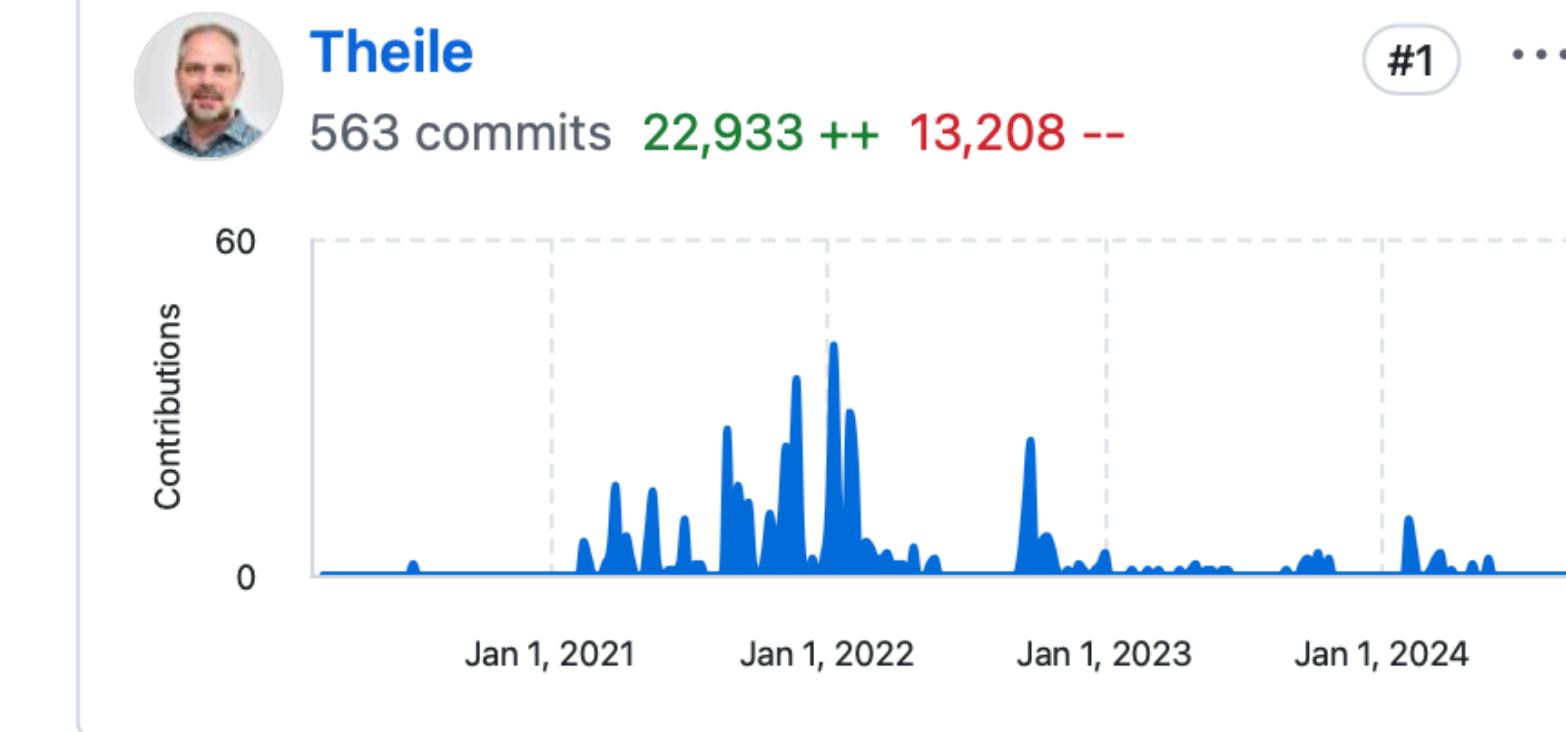
Contributions: Commits

Commits over time

From Mar 7, 2020 to Sep 14, 2024



Contributors 172

[+ 158 contributors](#)**Theile**

563 commits 22,933 ++ 13,208 --

**scriptingosx**

477 commits 31,511 ++ 22,155 --

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super (S.U.P.E.R.M.A.N)	bash	8000+	https://github.com/Macjutsu/super
Baseline	zsh	1700+	https://github.com/SecondSonConsulting/Baseline
Renew	zsh	850+	https://github.com/SecondSonConsulting/Renew



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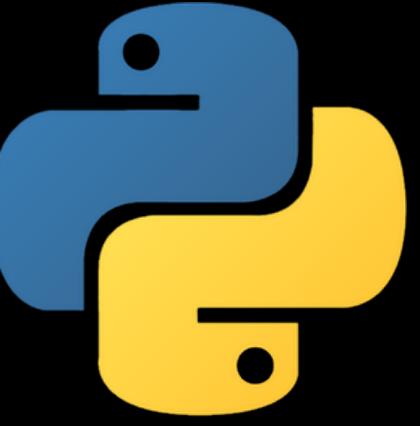
Compiled languages

- Go MicroMDM, NanoMDM
- C# SupportCompanion
- Objective-C lots, though not many recent
- Swift lots! (Nudge, DEPNotify,
 SwiftDialog, desktoppr, Outset...)

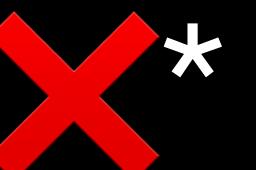
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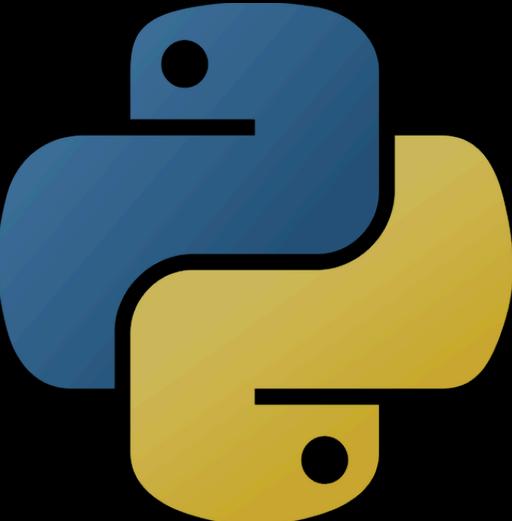
- Scripting language
- Included with macOS
- Broad standard library
- Large number of add-on modules
- Lots of examples
- Access to Apple frameworks
- Write native-looking GUI apps



Scripting languages

```
bash-3.2$ munki-python
Python 3.12.2 (v3.12.2:6abddd9f6a, Feb  6 2024, 17:02:06) [Clang
13.0.0 (clang-1300.0.29.30)] on darwin
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more
information.
```

```
>>> import os
>>> os.uname()
posix.uname_result(sysname='Darwin', nodename='bagel',
release='23.6.0', version='Darwin Kernel Version 23.6.0: Wed Jul
31 20:48:52 PDT 2024; root:xnu-10063.141.1.700.5~1/
RELEASE_ARM64_T6020', machine='arm64')
>>> os.uname().machine
'arm64'
>>>
```



```
bash-3.2$ swift repl
```

```
Welcome to Apple Swift version 5.10 (swiftlang-5.10.0.13  
clang-1500.3.9.4).
```

```
Type :help for assistance.
```

```
1> import Foundation
```

```
2> NSUserName()
```

```
$R0: String = "gneagle"
```

```
3> NSHomeDirectory()
```

```
$R1: String = "/Users/gneagle"
```

```
4>
```





test.swift — Desktop

```
1 #!/usr/bin/swift
2
3 import Foundation
4
5 print("Current user name is \(NSUserName())")
6 print("Home directory is at \(NSHomeDirectory())")
7
```

Line: 6:51 | Swift



Terminal — bash — 58x11

```
[bash-3.2$ ./test.swift
Current user name is gneagle
Home directory is at /Users/gneagle
bash-3.2$ ]
```

But don't just take my word for it



Swift - For SysAdmins



- Compiled - so it can be easily signed
 - Access to system APIs
 - Not easily humanly-readable
 - Some things are harder.... Other things are much easier than Bash



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2018



Let's Swift Again

Build Swift Tools for MacAdmins

Armin Briegel
Scripting OSX



2021

Thursday

Friday



Swift - The Eras Tour

(Armin's Version)

13:00 - 13:55

Armin Briegel - Jamf/scriptingosx.com

It has been ten years since Apple introduced Swift. We will Speak Now about the Folklore and Reputation of the programming language, peek into *The Tortured Programmers Department* to see what it takes to build a tool or app, and fearlessly check out some great tools from the community made with Swift.

2024

You won't be alone,
and you don't have to go first



Your device requires a security update (Demo Mode)

Days Remaining To Update: **0**

Deferred Count: **0**

[Update Device](#)

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Python 96.7%

Shell 3.3%

Nudge-Python (macadmin's Slack #nudge)

Nudge-Python is now considered End Of Life (EOL) as of February 11th, 2021. The last official version is 2.0.1 which enabled Big Sur support through the use of [macadmins/python 3.9.1](#)

If you are using a fork of Nudge-Python ([a well known one is located here](#)), support will not be offered unless the developer of the fork decides to continue support.

[While Nudge-Python does support Big Sur, it is recommended to use the new version of Nudge, based on SwiftUI 5.2. You can find that project here.](#)

On March 1st, 2021, this project will be marked as archived through GitHub.

Nudge functionality overview

The screenshot shows a GitHub repository page for 'nudge'. The top navigation bar includes standard icons for window control, home, search, and refresh. The URL is 'github.com/macadmins/nudge'. Below the header, there's a 'CHANGELOG.md' section with a table of recent commits:

File	Commit Message	Time Ago
LICENSE	Create LICENSE	3 years ago
Localizable.xcstrings	Update german (de) localization (#649)	5 days ago
README.md	Update README.md to mention 2.0	2 months ago
SECURITY.md	Fixed minor typo	7 months ago
build_nudge.zsh	redo build script for PRs	2 months ago

On the right side, there's a 'Contributors' section showing 45 contributors with their profile pictures, and a link to '+ 31 contributors'. Below that is a 'Languages' section with a chart showing Swift at 94.3% and Shell at 5.7%, with the Swift entry circled in green.

Nudge (macadmin's Slack #nudge)

Nudge is a multi-linguistic application, offering custom user deferrals, which strongly encourages macOS updates. Written in Swift and SwiftUI.

Nudge will only work on macOS Big Sur 11 and later and is a replacement for the original Nudge, which was written in Python 2/3. If you need to enforce macOS updates for earlier versions, it is recommended to use [nudge-python](#).





Outset



README

Outset

NOTE: This instance of Outset is decommissioned and you should start using the Swift-based [Outset 4.0 available on the macadmins repo.](#)

Outset is a script which automatically processes packages, profiles, and scripts during the boot sequence, user logins, or on demand.

Requirements

- macOS 10.15+
- python 3.7+

If you need to support 10.14 or lower, stick with the 2.x version.

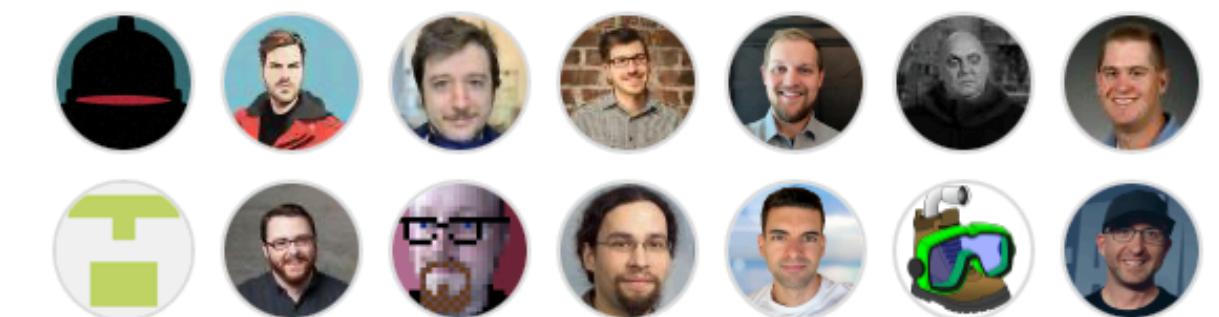
python3 can be installed from one of these sources:

- [python.org](#)
- [MacAdmins](#)
- [Munki](#)

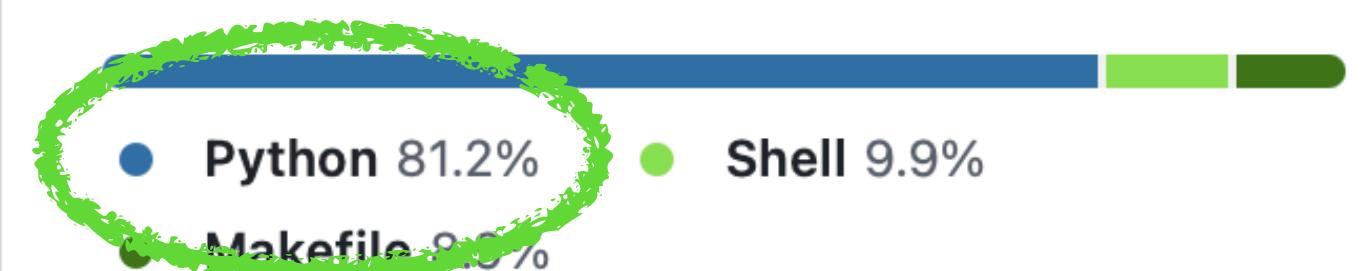
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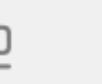
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[build_outset.zsh](#)

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Outset



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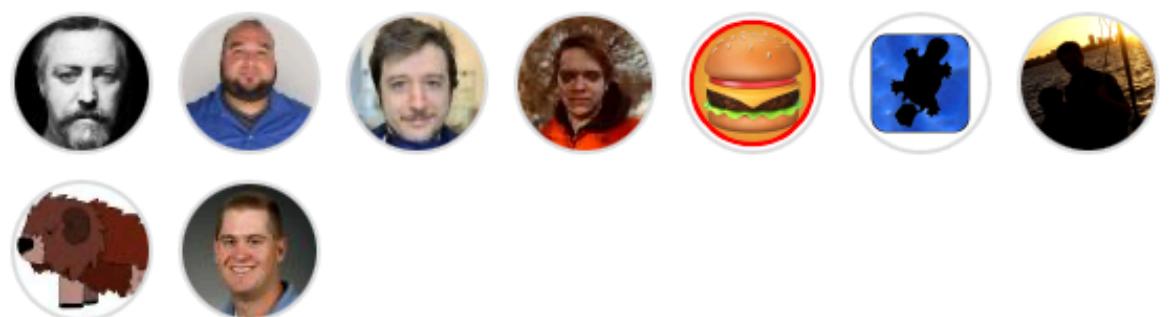
[Check out the wiki](#) for more information on how to use Outset or find out [how it works](#).

Requirements

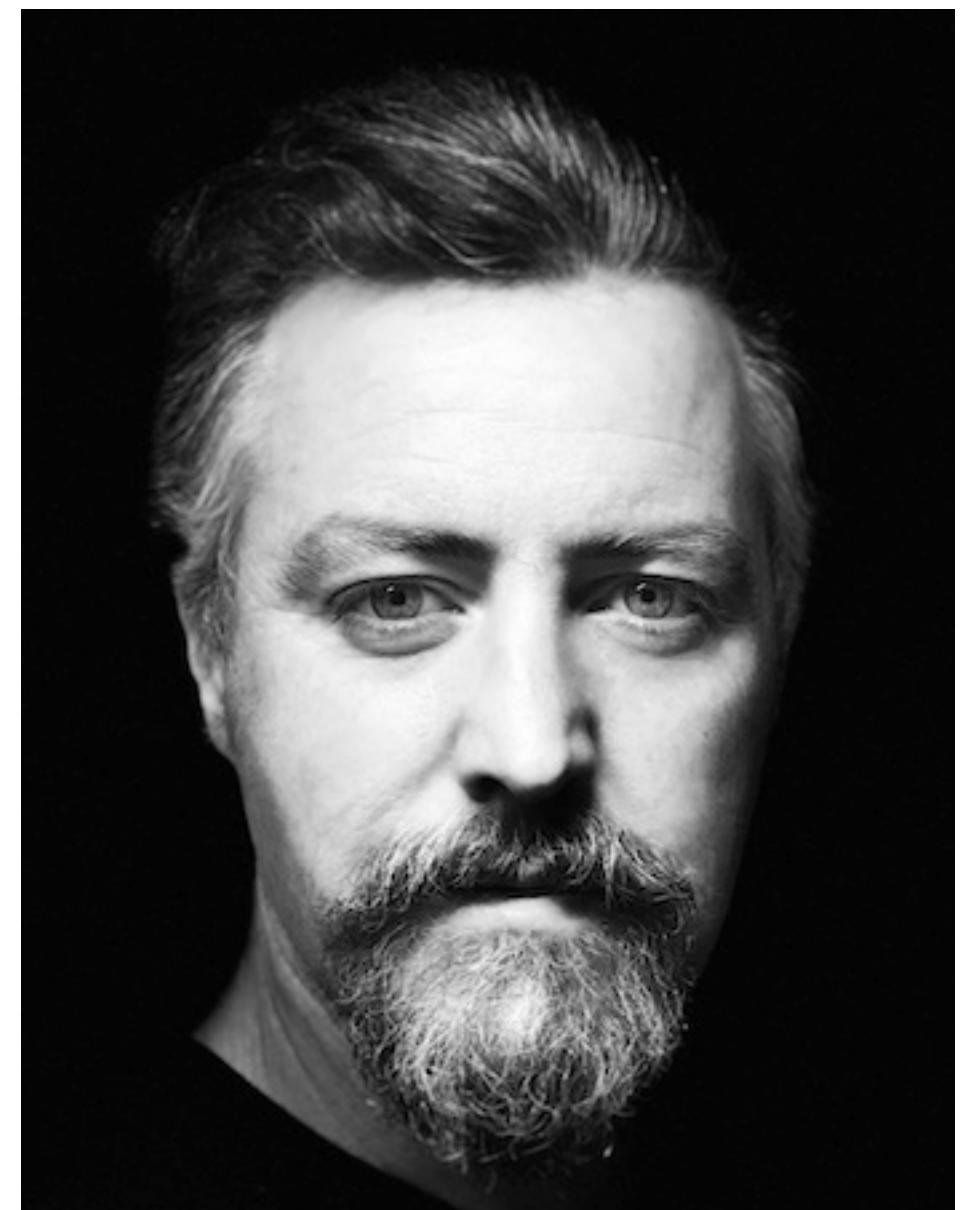
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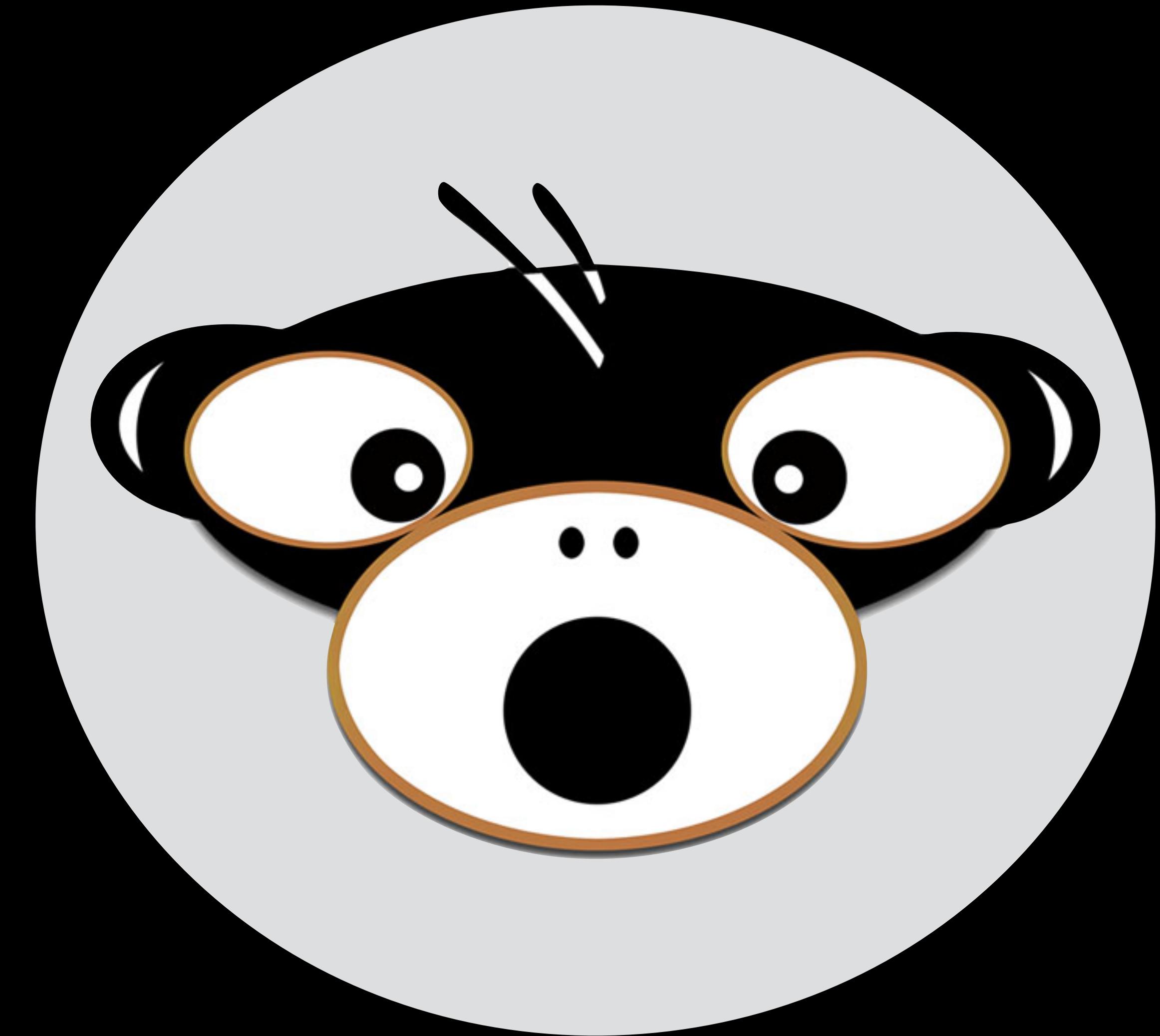
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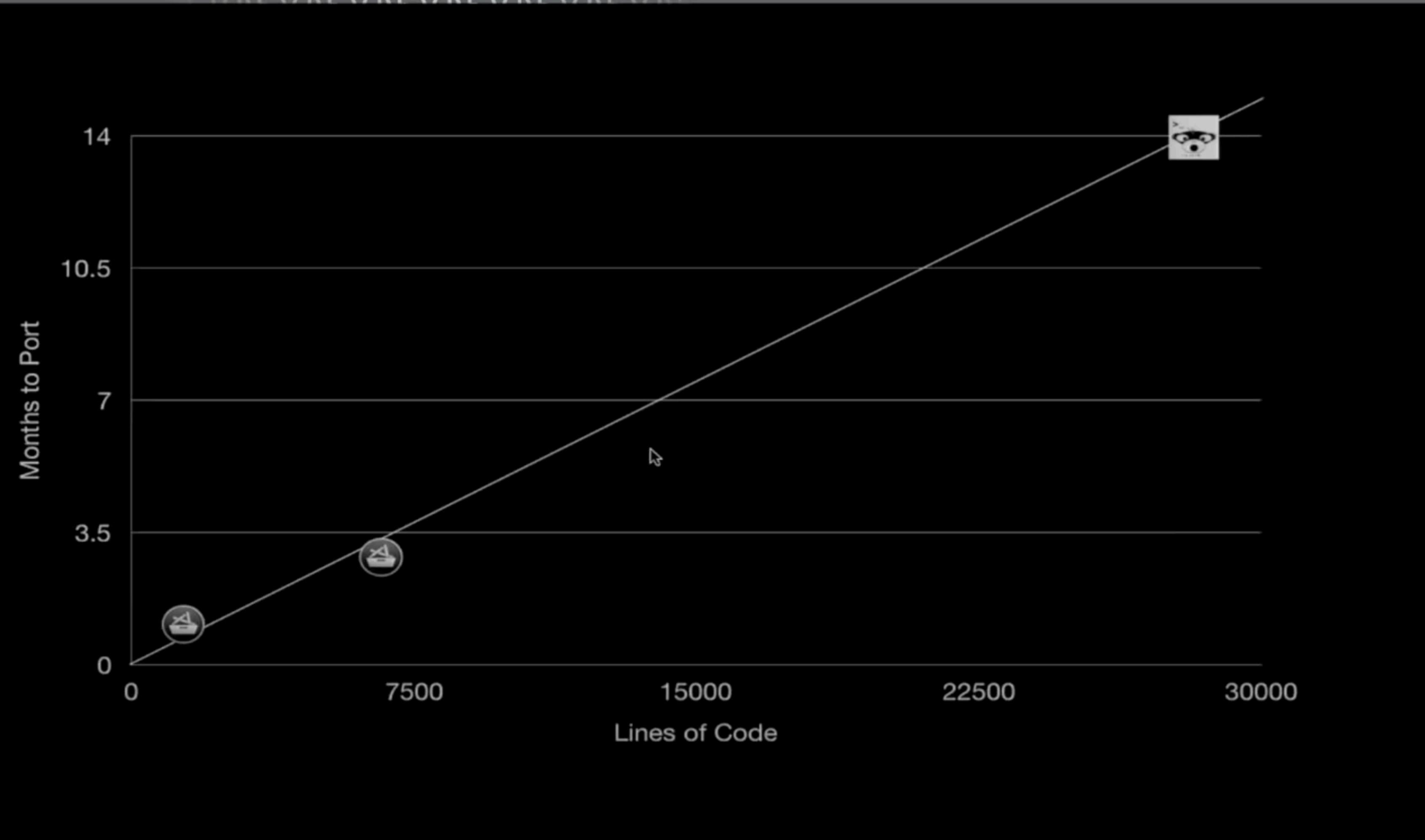
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Kandji Team
Feb 25, 2022

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cli.swift RsyncDaemon.swift ProcessUtils.swift SyncUtils.swift MigrationTasks.swift getC

DDataMigrator DDataMigrator cli.swift main()

```
1 //  
2 //  cli.swift  
3 //  DDataMigrator  
4 //  
5 //  Created by Greg Neagle on 8/24/23.  
6 //  
7  
8 import Foundation  
9  
10 @main  
11 struct CLI {  
12  
13     static func main() async {  
14         |  
15         // install handlers for SIGINT and SIGTERM  
16         let sigintSrc = installSignalHandler(SIGINT)  
17         sigintSrc.activate()  
18         let sigtermSrc = installSignalHandler(SIGTERM)  
19         sigtermSrc.activate()  
20  
21         print()  
22         print("#####")  
23         print()  
24         print("  Welcome to the Disney Animation Migration tool, Version 5.")  
25         print()  
26         print("  This tool can help you copy user data and account information")  
27         print("  from one WDAS Mac to another.")  
28         print()  
29         print("  User data can be transferred from another WDAS Mac on the local network.")  
30         print("  For best results, connect the two Macs with a Thunderbolt cable.")  
31         print()  
32         print("#####")  
33         print()  
34  
35         if NSUserName() != "root" {  
36             print.Stderr("ERROR: This tool must be run as the root user or via sudo!")  
37             exit(1)  
38     }  
39 }
```

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```
178
179 def mountdmg(dmgpath, use_shadow=False, use_existing_mounts=False, random_mountpoint=True, skip_verification=False):
180     """
181     Attempts to mount the dmg at dmgpath
182     and returns a list of mountpoints
183     If use_shadow is true, mount image with shadow file
184     If random_mountpoint, mount at random dir under /tmp
185     """
186     mountpoints = []
187     dmgname = os.path.basename(dmgpath)
188
189     if use_existing_mounts:
190         # Check if this dmg is already mounted
191         # and if so, bail out and return the mountpoints
192         if diskImageIsMounted(dmgpath):
193             mountpoints = mount_points_for_disk_image(dmgpath)
194             return mountpoints
195
196     # Attempt to mount the dmg
197     stdin = b''
198     if dmg_has_sla(dmgpath):
199         stdin = b'Y\n'
200         display.display_detail(
201             'NOTE: %s has embedded Software License Agreement' % dmgname)
202     cmd = ['/usr/bin/hdiutil', 'attach', dmgpath, '-nobrowse', '-plist']
203     if random_mountpoint:
204         cmd.extend(['-mountRandom', '/tmp'])
205     if use_shadow:
206         cmd.append('-shadow')
207     if skip_verification:
208         cmd.append('-noverify')
209     proc = subprocess.Popen(cmd,
210                           bufsize=-1, stdout=subprocess.PIPE,
211                           stderr=subprocess.PIPE, stdin=subprocess.PIPE)
212     (out, err) = proc.communicate(stdin)
213     if proc.returncode:
214         display.display_error(
215             u'Error: "%s" while mounting %s.' %
216             (err.decode('UTF-8').rstrip(), dmgname))
217     (pliststr, out) = utils.getFirstPlist(out)
218     if pliststr:
219         try:
220             plist = readPlistFromString(pliststr)
221             for entity in plist.get('system-entities', []):
222                 if 'mount-point' in entity:
223                     mountpoints.append(entity['mount-point'])
224         except PlistReadError as err:
225             display.display_error("%s" % err)
226             display.display_error(
227                 'Bad plist string returned when mounting diskimage %s' %
228                 (dmgname, pliststr))
229
230     return mountpoints
```

The screenshot shows the Xcode interface with the following details:

- Project Navigator:** Shows the project structure under the `munki` workspace. The `dmgtutils.swift` file is selected in the `utils` folder.
- Editor:** Displays the `dmgtutils.swift` file content. The code implements a `mountdmg` function that attempts to mount a DMG at a specified path, either using an existing mount point or a random one under `/tmp`. It handles shadow files and displays a note about embedded Software License Agreements.
- Search Bar:** Shows the build status: `Any Mac (arm64) Build Succeeded | 9/20/24 at 11:42 AM`.
- Bottom Status Bar:** Includes a `Filter` button and character count: `38 characters`.

```
dmgtutils.swift

munki/shared/utils/dmgtutils.swift: pathIsVolumeMountPoint(_:)

161     /// Attempts to mount the dmg at dmgPath
162     /// and returns the first item in the list of mountpoints
163     /// If use_shadow is true, mount image with shadow file
164     /// If random_mountpoint, mount at random dir under /tmp
165 func mountdmg(_ dmgPath: String,
166                 useShadow: Bool = false,
167                 useExistingMounts: Bool = false,
168                 randomMountpoint: Bool = true,
169                 skipVerification: Bool = false) throws -> String
170 {
171     let dmgName = (dmgPath as NSString).lastPathComponent
172
173     if useExistingMounts, let currentMountPoint =
174         mountPointForDiskImage(dmgPath) {
175         return currentMountPoint
176     }
177
178     // attempt to mount the dmg
179     var stdIn = ""
180     if dmgHasSLA(dmgPath) {
181         stdIn = "Y\n"
182         displayDetail("NOTE: \(dmgName) has embedded Software
183         License Agreement")
184     }
185     var arguments = ["attach", dmgPath, "-nobrowse"]
186     if randomMountpoint {
187         arguments += ["-mountRandom", "/tmp"]
188     }
189     if useShadow {
190         arguments.append("-shadow")
191     }
192     if skipVerification {
193         arguments.append("-noverify")
194     }
195     let plistData = try hdiutilData(arguments: arguments, stdIn:
196         stdIn)
197     if let systemEntities = plistData["system-entities"] as?
198     [PlistDict] {
199         for entity in systemEntities {
```

Things I've Learned

Code organization

```
36 # pylint: disable=E0611,E0401
37 from Foundation import NSDate
38 # pylint: enable=E0611,E0401
39
40 from .. import dmg
41 from .. import pkg
42 from .. import rmpkgs
43
44 from .. import adobeutils
45 from .. import constants
46 from .. import display
47 from .. import dmgutils
48 from .. import munkistatus
49 from .. import munkilog
50 from .. import osinstaller
51 from .. import pkgutils
52 from .. import powermgr
53 from .. import prefs
54 from .. import processes
55 from .. import profiles
56 from .. import reports
57 from .. import scriptutils
58 from .. import FoundationPlist
59
60 from ..updatecheck import catalogs
61 from ..updatecheck import manifestutils
62
63 # initialize our report fields
64 # we do this here because appleupdates.installAppleUpdates()
65 # calls install_with_info()
```

munkilib

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- munkirepo
- munkistatus.py

module_a

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

import module_b

def print_b():
    print(module_b.b())

def a():
    return "a"

module_b.print_a()
print_b()
```

module_b

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

import module_a

def print_a():
    print(module_a.a())

def b():
    return "b"
```

module_a

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def print_b():
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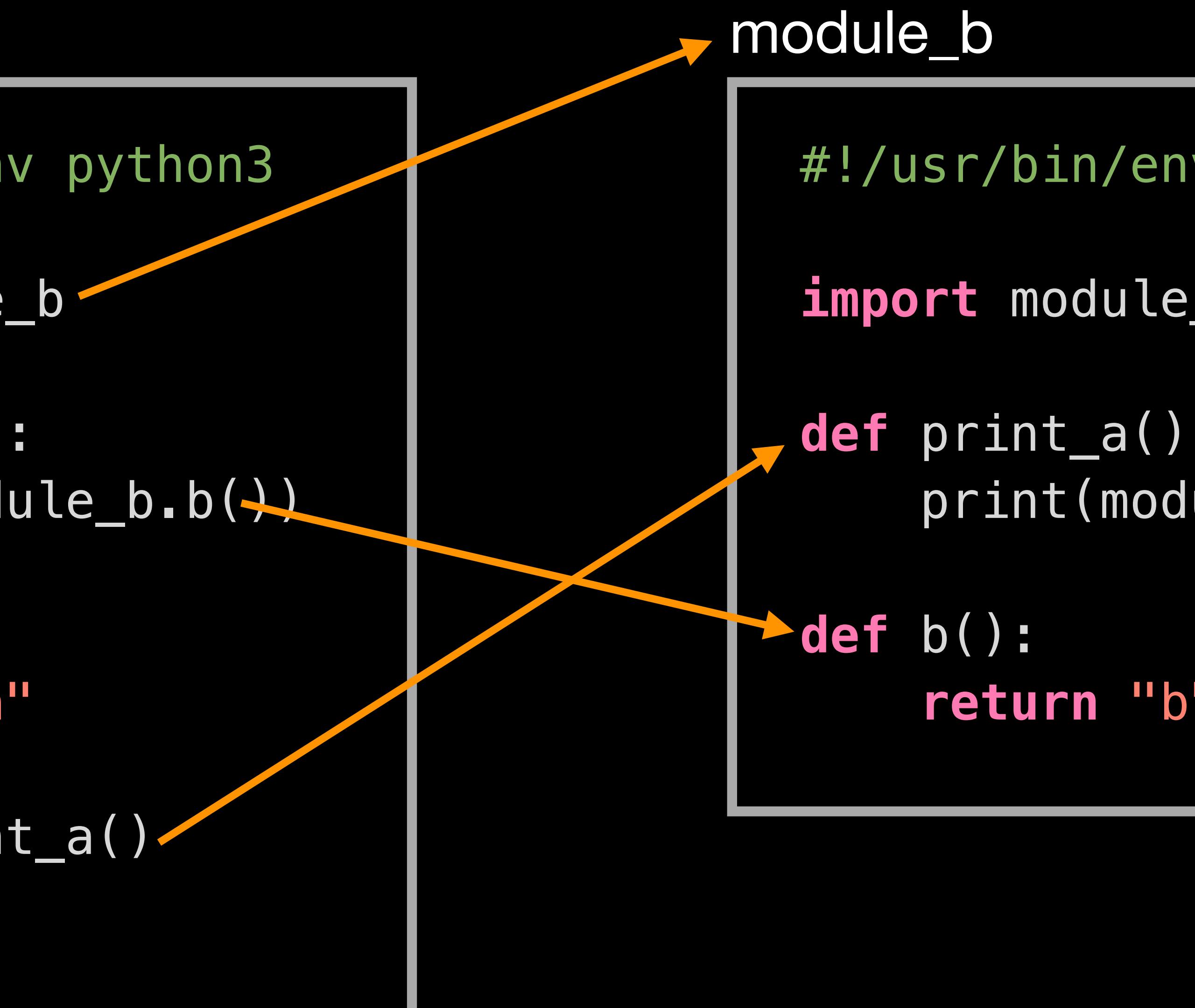
module_b

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
```

```
import module_a
```

```
def print_a():
    print(module_a.a())
```

```
def b():
    return "b"
```



module_a

module_b

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
```

```
import module_b
```

```
def print_b():
    print(module_b.b())
```

```
def a():
    return "a"
```

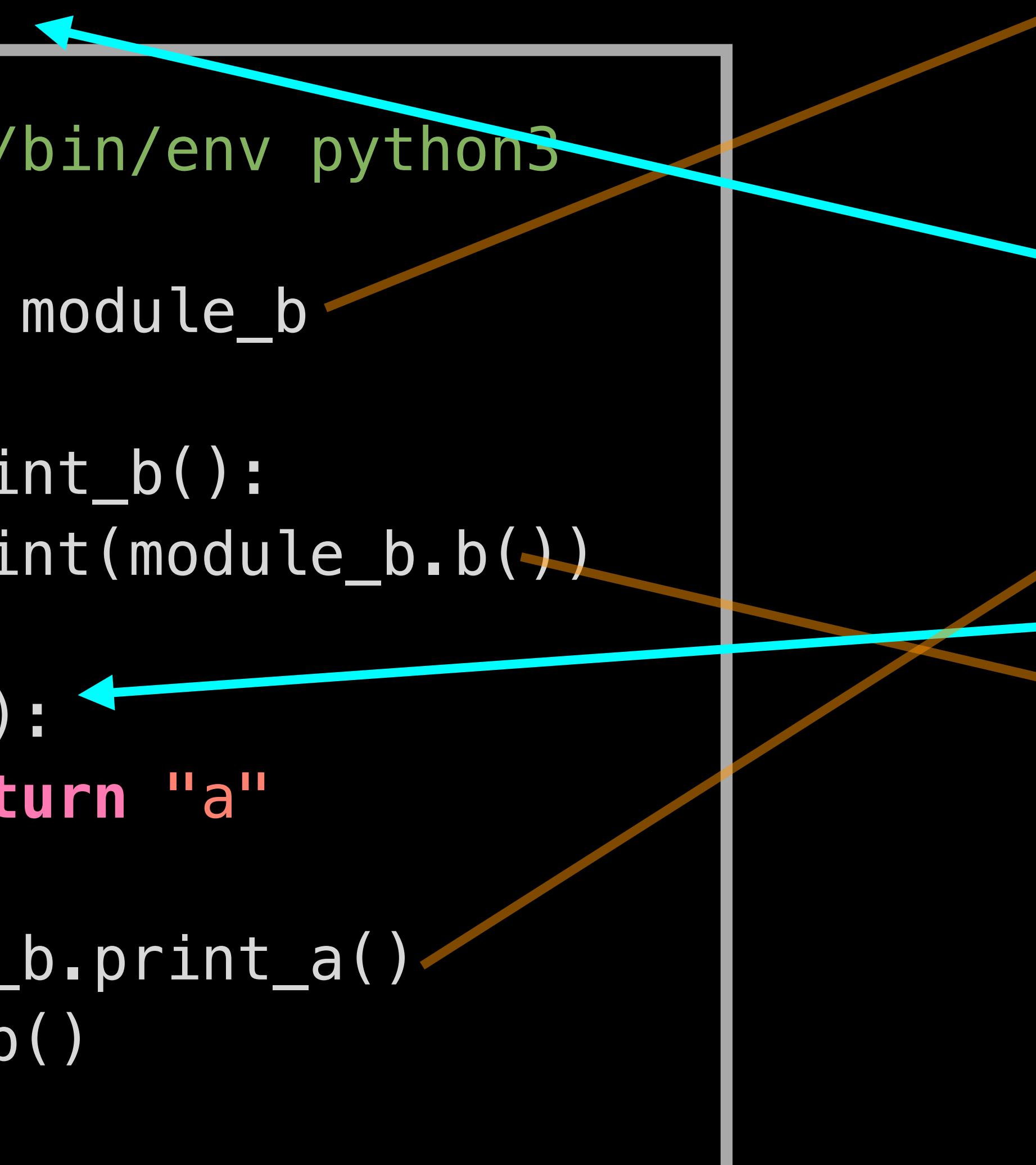
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print_b()
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```

```
import module_a
```

```
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    print(module_a.a())
```

```
def b():
    return "b"
```



module_a

module_b

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
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```
import module_b
```

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
```

```
import module_a
```



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```
[bash-3.2$ ./module_a.py
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
  File "/Users/gneagle/Dropbox/MacSysAdmin2024/scripts/circular imports/./module_a.py", line 3, in <module>
    import module_b
```

```
    File "/Users/gneagle/Dropbox/MacSysAdmin2024/scripts/circular imports/module_b.py", line 3, in <module>
```

```
      import module_a
```

```
    File "/Users/gneagle/Dropbox/MacSysAdmin2024/scripts/circular imports/module_a.py", line 11, in <module>
```

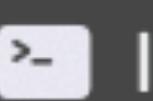
```
      module_b.print_a()
```

```
AttributeError: partially initialized module 'module_b' has no attribute 'print_a' (most likely due to a circular import)
```

```
bash-3.2$
```



Demo



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Demo

Demo

main.swift

module_b.swift

No Selection

```
1 // main.swift
2
3 func print_b() {
4     print(b())
5 }
6
7 func a() -> String {
8     return "a"
9 }
10
11 print_a()
12 print_b()
13
14
```

No Selection

```
1 // module_b.swift
2
3 func print_a() {
4     print(a())
5 }
6
7 func b() -> String {
8     return "b"
9 }
10
```

main.swift

```
// main.swift

func print_b() {
    print(b())
}

func a() -> String {
    return "a"
}
```

```
print_a()
print_b()
```

module_b.swift

```
// module_b.swift

func print_a() {
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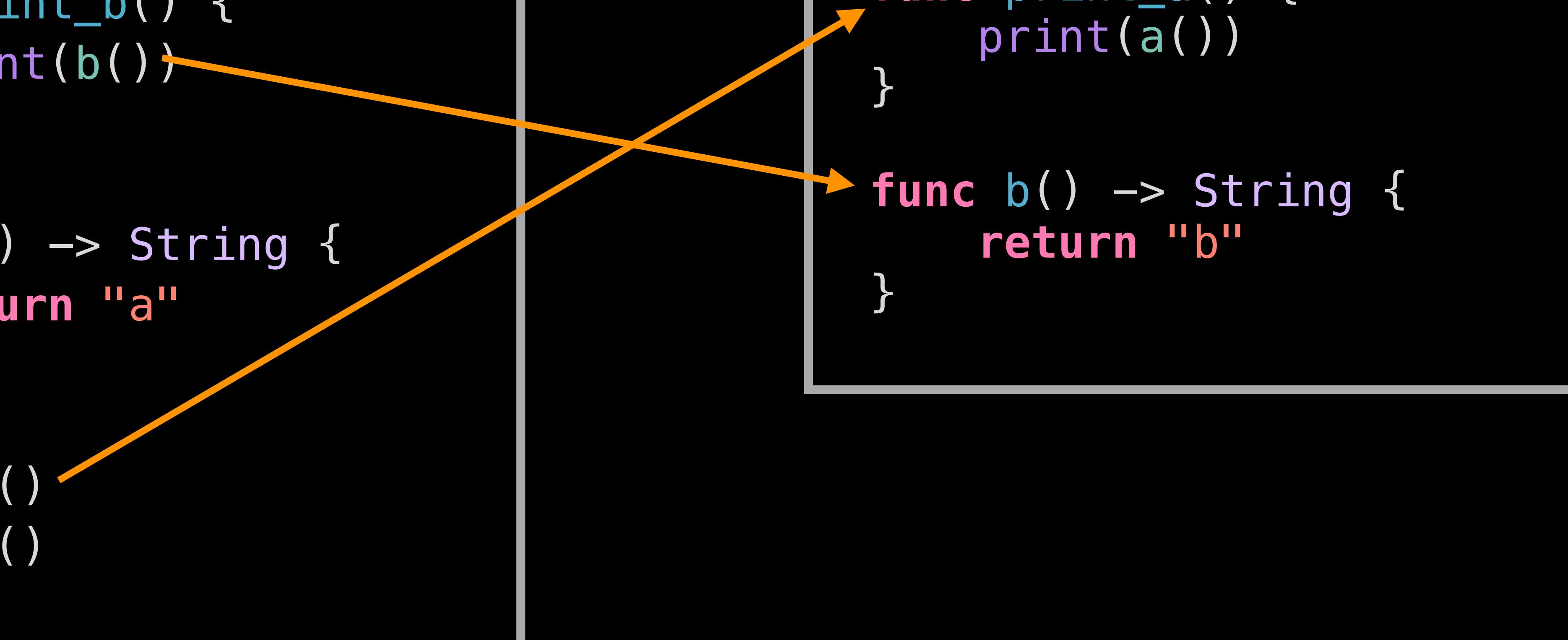
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func b() -> String {
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}
```



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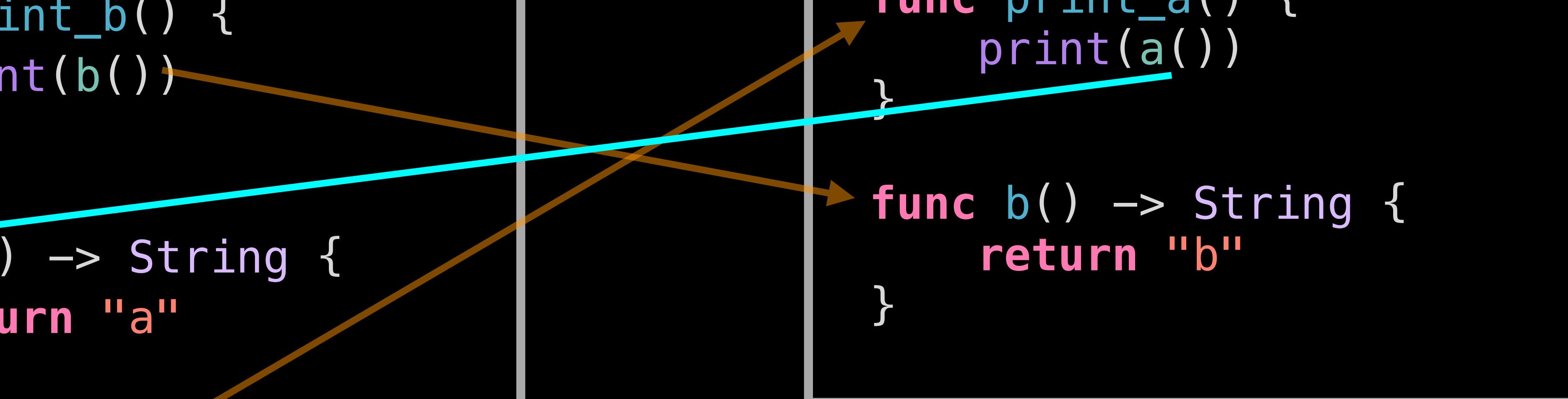
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    print(a())
}

func b() -> String {
    return "b"
}
```

a
b
Program ended with exit code: 0

Naming

```
661
662 def run(only_unattended=False):
663     """Runs the install/removal session.
664
665     Args:
666         only_unattended: Boolean. If True, only do unattended_(un)install pkgs.
667
668         # pylint: disable=unused-variable
669         # prevent sleep when idle so our installs complete. The Caffeinator class
670         # automatically releases the Power Manager assertion when the variable
671         # goes out of scope, so we only need to create it and hold a reference
672         caffeine = powermgr.Caffeinator()
673
674         # pylint: enable=unused-variable
675
676         managedinstallbase = prefs.pref('ManagedInstallDir')
677         installdir = os.path.join(managedinstallbase, 'Cache')
678
679         removals_need_restart = installs_need_restart = False
680
681         if only_unattended:
682             munkilog.log("### Beginning unattended installer session ###")
683         else:
684             munkilog.log("### Beginning managed installer session ###")
685
686         installinfopath = os.path.join(managedinstallbase, 'InstallInfo.plist')
687         if os.path.exists(installinfopath):
688             try:
689                 installinfo = FoundationPlist.readPlist(installinfopath)
690             except FoundationPlist.NSPropertyListSerializationException:
691                 display.display_error("Invalid %s" % installinfopath)
```

The file explorer shows the directory structure of the munkilib module. It includes subfolders for 'installer', 'launchd', and 'munkirepo', along with various Python files like FoundationPlist.py, gurl.py, iconutils.py, info.py, __init__.py, core.py, dmg.py, pkg.py, rmpkgs.py, installinfo.py, keychain.py, munkicommon.py, munkihash.py, munkilog.py, and munkistatus.py.

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managedsoftwareupdate.py

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```
57     except utils.ScriptNotFoundError:
58         pass # script is not required, so pass
59     except utils.RunExternalScriptError as utils_err:
60         print(str(utils_err), file=sys.stderr)
61         sys.exit(200)
62 else:
63     from munkilib import appleupdates
64     from munkilib import authrestart
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66     from munkilib import constants
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78     from munkilib import reports
79     from munkilib import updatecheck
80     from munkilib import utils
81     from munkilib import FoundationPlist
82     from munkilib.wrappers import unicode_or_str
83
84     import munkilib.authrestart.client as authrestartd
```

client

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```
269  
270     munki_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE  
271     apple_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE  
272  
273     if munkiUpdatesAvailable():  
274         # install munki updates  
275         try:  
276             munki_items_restart_action = installer.run(  
277                 only_unattended=only_unattended)  
278         except:  
279             display.display_error('Unexpected error in munkilib.installer: ')  
280             munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())  
281             reports.savereport()  
282             raise  
283         if not only_unattended:  
284             if munkiUpdatesContainItemWithInstallerType("startosinstall"):  
285                 reports.savereport()  
286                 # install macOS  
287                 try:  
288                     success = osinstaller.run(finishing_tasks=doFinishingTasks)  
289                 except SystemExit:  
290                     # we _expect_ this since startosinstall or osinstaller will  
291                     # initiate a restart after successfully setting up a macOS  
292                     # install.  
293                     pass  
294                 except Exception:  
295                     # some other non-system-exiting exception occurred  
296                     display.display_error(
```

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273     if munkiUpdatesAvailable():  
274         # install munki updates  
275         try:  
276             munki_items_restart_action = installer.run(  
277                 only_unattended=only_unattended)  
278         except:  
279             display.display_error('Unexpected error in munkilib.installer: ')  
280             munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())  
281             reports.savereport()  
282             raise  
283         if not only_unattended:  
284             if munkiUpdatesContainItemWithInstallerType("startosinstall"):  
285                 reports.savereport()  
286                 # install macOS  
287                 try:  
288                     success = osinstaller.run(finishing_tasks=doFinishingTasks)  
289                 except SystemExit:  
290                     # we _expect_ this since startosinstall or osinstaller will  
291                     # initiate a restart after successfully setting up a macOS  
292                     # install.  
293                     pass  
294                 except Exception:  
295                     # some other non-system-exiting exception occurred  
296                     display.display_error(
```

client

- > __pycache__
- app_usage_monitor
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- gurl_test.py
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- managedsoftwareupdate.py
- manifestutil
- munki_do
- munki-python
- munkiimport
- munkilib
- __init__.py

core.py

managedsoftwareupdate.py

+

```
269  
270     munki_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE  
271     apple_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE  
272  
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274         # install munki updates  
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276             munki_items_restart_action = installer.run(  
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279             display.display_error('Unexpected error in munkilib.installer: ')  
280             munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())  
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284             if munkiUpdatesContainItemWithInstallerType("startosinstall"):  
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MSA_demo

MSA_demo: Ready | Today at 10:46 AM

installer.swift

osinstaller.swift

main.swift

MSA_demo

MSA_demo

main.swift

installer.swift

osinstaller.swift

```
1 //  
2 // installer.swift  
3 // MSA_demo  
4 //  
5 // Created by Greg Neagle on 9/25/24.  
6 //  
7  
8 import Foundation  
9  
10 func run() {  
11     // does something cool  
12 }  
13 |
```

Filter

Line: 13 Col: 1

The screenshot shows the Xcode IDE interface. The top bar displays the project name "MSA_demo" and the status "MSA_demo: Ready | Today at 10:49 AM". The left sidebar shows the project structure under "MSA_demo": a folder named "MSA_demo" containing three files: "main.swift", "installer.swift", and "osinstaller.swift", with "osinstaller.swift" currently selected. The main editor area shows the contents of "osinstaller.swift". The code is as follows:

```
1 //  
2 // osinstaller.swift  
3 // MSA_demo  
4 //  
5 // Created by Greg Neagle on 9/25/24.  
6 //  
7  
8 import Foundation  
9  
10 func run() {  
11     // also does something cool  
12 }  
13
```

The bottom status bar indicates "Line: 13 Col: 1".

The screenshot shows the Xcode IDE interface with the following details:

- Project Navigator:** Shows a project named "MSA_demo" with a single file selected: "main.swift".
- File Navigator:** Shows the file structure: "MSA_demo" > "MSA_demo" > "main.swift".
- Editor:** Displays the contents of "main.swift".

```
1 //  
2 // main.swift  
3 // MSA_demo  
4 //  
5 // Created by Greg Neagle on 9/25/24.  
6 //  
7  
8 import Foundation  
9  
10 run()  
11  
12
```
- Issues:** A red callout bubble highlights line 10 with the message "Ambiguous use of 'run()'".
- Bottom Bar:** Includes buttons for "Filter", "Search", and "Line: 10 Col: 6".

The screenshot shows the Xcode IDE interface. The top bar displays the project name "MSA_demo" and the status "MSA_demo: Ready | Today at 10:53 AM". The left sidebar shows the project structure under "MSA_demo": a folder named "MSA_demo" containing three files: "main.swift", "installer.swift", and "osinstaller.swift". The "main.swift" file is currently selected and open in the main editor area. The code in "main.swift" is as follows:

```
1 //  
2 // main.swift  
3 // MSA_demo  
4 //  
5 // Created by Greg Neagle on 9/25/24.  
6 //  
7  
8 import Foundation  
9  
10 installer.run()  
11  
12
```

A red error highlight is present on line 10, under the word "installer". A tooltip window next to the error message displays the text "Cannot find 'installer' in scope". The bottom status bar indicates the current line and column: "Line: 10 Col: 11".

The image shows a dual-pane code editor interface on a Mac OS X desktop. The left pane is in Python mode, displaying code from `managedsoftwareupdate.py`. The right pane is in Swift mode, displaying code from `installer.swift`.

Left Pane (Python Mode):

```
managedsoftwareupdate.py
def report_removal_result(item):
    removal_result = {
        'display_name': item['display_name'],
        'name': item['name'],
        'status': retcode,
        'time': NSDate.new(),
        'unattended': only_unattended,
    }
    reports.report['RemovalResults'].append(removal_result)
    return (restart_flag, skipped_removals)

def run(only_unattended=False):
    """Runs the install/removal session.

    Args:
        only_unattended: Boolean. If True, only do unattended_(un)install.

    # pylint: disable=unused-variable
    # prevent sleep when idle so our installs complete. The Caffeinator
    # automatically releases the Power Manager assertion when the
    # goes out of scope, so we only need to create it and hold a
    # reference to it.
    caffeiator = powermgr.Caffeinator()
    # pylint: enable=unused-variable

    managedinstallbase = prefs.pref('ManagedInstallDir')
    installdir = os.path.join(managedinstallbase, 'Cache')

    removals_need_restart = installs_need_restart = False

    if only_unattended:
        munkilog.log("### Beginning unattended installer session")
    else:
        munkilog.log("### Beginning managed installer session")

    installinfopath = os.path.join(managedinstallbase, 'InstallInfo.plist')
    if os.path.exists(installinfopath):
        try:
            installinfo = FoundationPlist.readPlist(installinfopath)
        except FoundationPlist.NSPropertyListSerializationException:
            display.display_error("Invalid %s" % installinfopath)
            return -1
        if prefs.pref('SuppressStopButtonOnInstall'):
            munkistatus.hideStopButton()
```

Right Pane (Swift Mode):

```
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```

installer.swift

```
munkilog.swift | makecatalogs.swift | removepackages.swift | repo |
```

File tree:

- ↳ munkilog.swift
- ↳ reports.swift
- ↳ munkihash.swift
- ↳ osinstaller.swift
- ↳ version.swift
- ↳ errors.swift
- ↳ sqlite3.swift
- ↳ launchd.swift
- ↳ appusage.swift
- ↳ xattr.swift
- ↳ processes.swift
- ↳ munkistatus.swift
- ↳ powermanager.swift
- ↳ stoprequested.swift
- ↳ info.swift
- ↳ appinventory.swift
- ↳ facts.swift
- ↳ Predicates.m
- ↳ installinfo.swift
- ↳ bootstrapping.swift
- ↳ UNIXProcessInfo.swift
- ↳ SignalHandler.swift
- ↳ appleupdates.swift
- > managedsoftwareupdate
- > munkitester
- > makecatalogs
- > makepkginfo
- > munkiimport
- > removepackages
- > app_usage_monitor
- > appusaged
- > launchapp
- > iconimporter
- > Products

Code:

```
578
579     /// Runs the install/removal session.
580     ///
581     /// Args:
582     ///     only_unattended: Boolean. If True, only do unattended_(un)install pkgs.
583     func doInstallsAndRemovals(onlyUnattended: Bool = false) async ->
584         PostAction {
585         var removalsNeedRestart = false
586         var installsNeedRestart = false
587
588         if onlyUnattended {
589             munkilog("### Beginning unattended installer session ###")
590         } else {
591             munkilog("### Beginning managed installer session ###")
592         }
593
594         // no sleep assertion
595         let caffeiator = Caffeinator(
596             reason: "managedsoftwareupdate is installing software")
597
598         let installInfoPath = managedInstallsDir(subpath:
599             "InstallInfo.plist")
600         if pathExists(installInfoPath),
601             let installInfo = try? readPlist(fromFile: installInfoPath) as?
602             PlistDict
603
604             {
605                 var updatedInstallInfo = installInfo
606                 if pref("SuppressStopButtonOnInstall") as? Bool ?? false {
607                     munkistatusHideStopButton()
608                 }
609
610                 // process removals
611                 if let removals = installInfo["removals"] as? [PlistDict] {
612                     // filter list to items that need to be removed
613                     let removalList = removals.filter {
614                         $0["installed"] as? Bool ?? false
615                     }
616
617                     Report.shared.record(removalList, to: "ItemsToRemove")
```

The image shows a software development environment with two code editors side-by-side.

Left Editor (Python):

```
managedsoftwareupdate.py
def run(only_unattended=False):
    """Runs the install/removal session.

    Args:
        only_unattended: Boolean. If True, only do unattended_(un)install.

    # pylint: disable=unused-variable
    # prevent sleep when idle so our installs complete. The Caffeinator
    # automatically releases the Power Manager assertion when the
    # goes out of scope, so we only need to create it and hold a
    # reference to it.
    cafffeinator = powermgr.Caffeinator()
    # pylint: enable=unused-variable

    managedinstallbase = prefs.pref('ManagedInstallDir')
    installdir = os.path.join(managedinstallbase, 'Cache')

    removals_need_restart = installs_need_restart = False

    if only_unattended:
        munkilog.log("### Beginning unattended installer session")
    else:
        munkilog.log("### Beginning managed installer session")

    installinfopath = os.path.join(managedinstallbase, 'InstallInfo.plist')
    if os.path.exists(installinfopath):
        try:
            installinfo = FoundationPlist.readPlist(installinfopath)
        except FoundationPlist.NSPropertyListSerializationException:
            display.display_error("Invalid %s" % installinfopath)
            return -1

        if prefs.pref('SuppressStopButtonOnInstall'):
            munkistatus.hideStopButton()
```

Right Editor (Swift):

```
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```

installer.swift

```
munkilog.swift | makecatalogs.swift | removepackages.swift | repou ↗
```

munki / shared / installer / installer.swift No Selection

```
578
579     /// Runs the install/removal session.
580     ///
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583     func doInstallsAndRemovals(onlyUnattended: Bool = false) async ->
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615
616                 Report.shared.record(removalList, to: "ItemsToRemove")
```

The screenshot shows a Swift code editor interface with two tabs open: 'msuutils.swift' and 'errors.swift'. The 'msuutils.swift' tab is active, displaying the following code:

```
func doInstallTasks(doAppleUpdates: Bool = false, onlyUnattended: Bool) {
    clearLastNotifiedDate()

    var munkiItemsRestartAction = PostAction.none
    var appleItemsRestartAction = PostAction.none

    if munkiUpdatesAvailable() {
        # install munki updates
        try {
            munki_items_restart_action = installer.run(
                only_unattended:only_unattended)
        } catch {
            display.display_error('Unexpected error in munki')
            munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())
            reports.savereport()
            raise
        }
        if not only_unattended:
            if munkiUpdatesContainItemWithInstallerType("startosinstall") {
                reports.savereport()
                # install macOS
                try {
                    success = osinstaller.run(finishing_tasks)
                } catch SystemExit:
                    # we _expect_ this since startosinstall does not return
                    # initiate a restart after successfully starting
                    # install.
                    pass
            } except Exception:
                # some other non-system-exiting exception
                display.display_error(
                    'Unexpected error in munkilib.osinstaller')
                munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())
                reports.savereport()
                raise
        if success:
            if not only_unattended:
                # first, clear the last notified date so we can get more
                # changes after this round of installs
                clearLastNotifiedDate()

            munki_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE
            apple_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE

            if munkiUpdatesAvailable():
                # install munki updates
                try:
                    munki_items_restart_action = installer.run(
                        only_unattended:only_unattended)
                except:
                    display.display_error('Unexpected error in munki')
                    munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())
                    reports.savereport()
                    raise
                if not only_unattended:
                    if munkiUpdatesContainItemWithInstallerType("startosinstall") {
                        reports.savereport()
                        # install macOS
                        try:
                            success = osinstaller.run(finishing_tasks)
                        } catch SystemExit:
                            # we _expect_ this since startosinstall does not return
                            # initiate a restart after successfully starting
                            # install.
                            pass
                    } except Exception:
                        # some other non-system-exiting exception
                        display.display_error(
                            'Unexpected error in munkilib.osinstaller')
                        munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())
                        reports.savereport()
                        raise
            if success:
                if not only_unattended:
                    # first, clear the last notified date so we can get more
                    # changes after this round of installs
                    clearLastNotifiedDate()

                munki_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE
                apple_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE
```

The 'msuutils.swift' file is part of the 'managedsoftwareupdate' module. The 'errors.swift' file is also part of the same module, located in the 'errors' folder.

The image shows a side-by-side comparison of two code snippets. On the left is a Python file named `managedsoftwareupdate.py`, and on the right is a Swift file named `msuutils.swift`. Both files contain logic related to software update installations.

managedsoftwareupdate.py (Left):

```
only_unattended: Boolean. If True, only do unattended installs.

Returns:
Boolean. True if a restart is required, False otherwise.

if not only_unattended:
    # first, clear the last notified date so we can get more changes after this round of installs
    clearLastNotifiedDate()

munki_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE
apple_items_restart_action = constants.POSTACTION_NONE

if munkiUpdatesAvailable():
    # install munki updates
    try:
        munki_items_restart_action = installer.run(
            only_unattended=only_unattended)
    except:
        display.display_error('Unexpected error in munki')
        munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())
        reports.savereport()
        raise
    if not only_unattended:
        if munkiUpdatesContainItemWithInstallerType("startosinstall"):
            reports.savereport()
            # install macOS
            try:
                success = osinstaller.run(finishing_tasks)
            except SystemExit:
                # we _expect_ this since startosinstall does not return
                # initiate a restart after successfully starting
                # install.
                pass
            except Exception:
                # some other non-system-exiting exception
                display.display_error(
                    'Unexpected error in munkilib.osinstaller')
                munkilog.log(traceback.format_exc())
                reports.savereport()
                raise
    if SUCCESS:
```

msuutils.swift (Right):

```
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```

```
msuutils.swift
errors.swift munkihash.swift osutils.swift msuutils.swift
func doInstallTasks(doAppleUpdates: Bool = false, onlyUnattended: Bool) {
    clearLastNotifiedDate()
}

var munkiItemsRestartAction = PostAction.none
var appleItemsRestartAction = PostAction.none

if munkiUpdatesAvailable() > 0 {
    // install Munki updates
    munkiItemsRestartAction = await
        doInstallsAndRemovals(onlyUnattended: onlyUnattended)
    if !onlyUnattended {
        if
            munkiUpdatesContainItemWithInstallerType
            ("startosinstall") {
            Report.shared.save()
            // install macOS
            // TODO: implement this (install macOS)
        }
    }
}

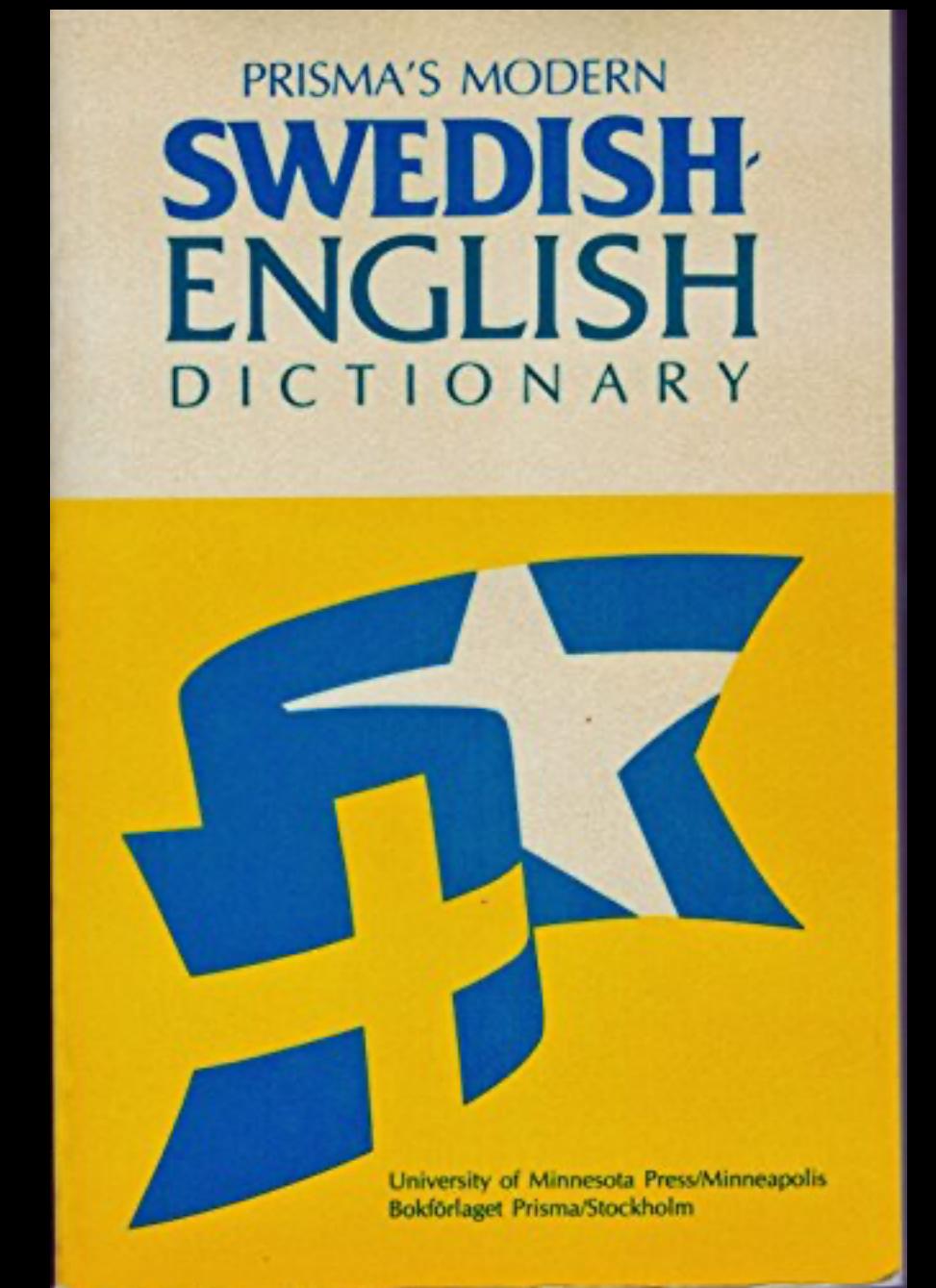
if doAppleUpdates {
    // install Apple updates
    // TODO: implement? appleItemsRestartAction =
        installAppleUpdates(onlyUnattended: onlyUnattended)
    // We're probably never going to implement this...
}

Report.shared.save()

return max(appleItemsRestartAction, munkiItemsRestartAction)
```

The code in both files performs similar tasks: checking for available updates, installing them, and determining if a restart is required. The Swift code follows a more structured approach with functions like `doInstallTasks` and `doInstallsAndRemovals`, while the Python code uses a mix of global variable assignments and inline logic. The Swift version also includes comments indicating where Python code might be implemented or TODO'd.

Dealing with Dictionaries



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE plist PUBLIC "-//Apple//DTD PLIST 1.0//EN" "http://www.apple.com/DTDs/
PropertyList-1.0.dtd">
<plist version="1.0">
<dict>
    <key>catalogs</key>
    <array>
        <string>production</string>
    </array>
    <key>description</key>
    <string>Google's web browser.</string>
    <key>installer_item_location</key>
    <string>apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg</string>
    <key>installer_item_size</key>
    <integer>210383</integer>
    <key>name</key>
    <string>GoogleChrome</string>
    <key>uninstallable</key>
    <true/>
    <key>version</key>
    <string>129.0.6668.71</string>
</dict>
</plist>
```

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    <integer>210383</integer>
    <key>name</key>
    <string>GoogleChrome</string>
    <key>uninstallable</key>
    <true/>
    <key>version</key>
    <string>129.0.6668.71</string>
</dict>
</plist>
```

```
{
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
}
```

```
{  
  "catalogs": ["production"],  
  "description": "Google's web browser.",  
  "display_name": "Google Chrome",  
  "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",  
  "installer_item_size": 210383,  
  "name": "GoogleChrome",  
  "uninstallable": True,  
  "version": "129.0.6668.71"  
}
```

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

item = {
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": True,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
}

print(item["name"])
print(item["version"])
```



```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
```

```
item = {  
    "catalogs": ["production"],  
    "description": "Google's web browser.",  
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",  
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",  
    "installer_item_size": 210383,  
    "name": "GoogleChrome",  
    "uninstallable": True,  
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"  
}
```

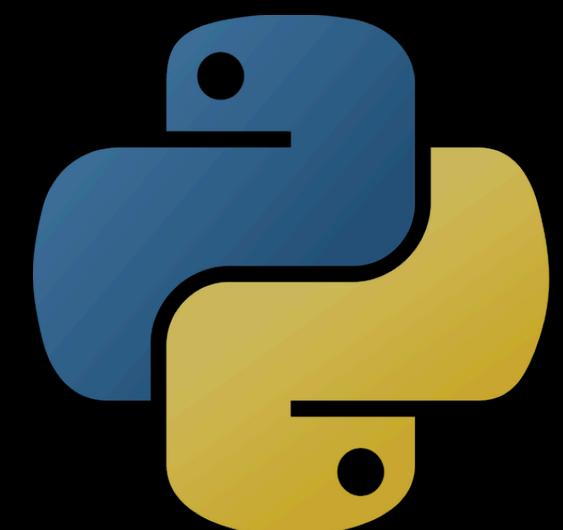
```
print(item["name"])  
print(item["version"])
```



```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

item = {
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": True,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
}
```

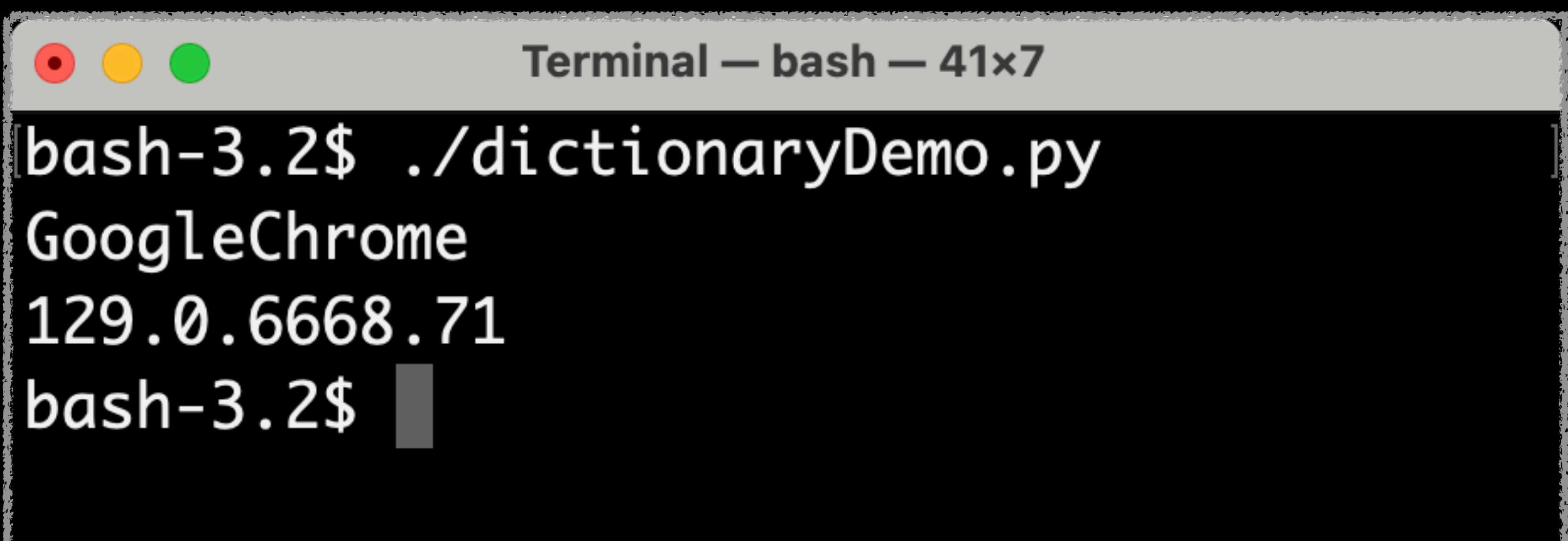
```
print(item["name"])
print(item["version"])
```



```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

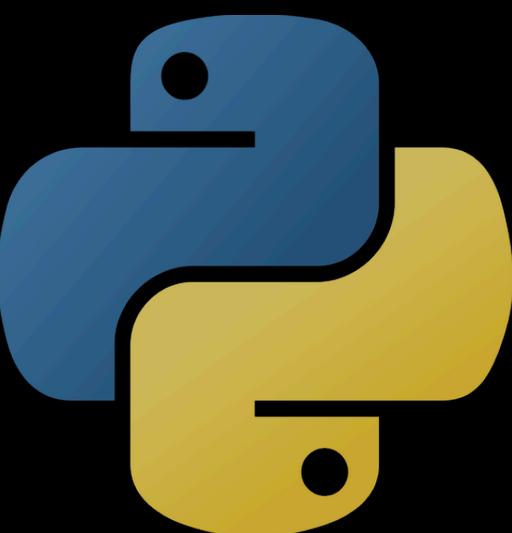
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    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": True,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
}
```

```
print(item["name"])
print(item["version"])
```



A screenshot of a macOS Terminal window titled "Terminal – bash – 41x7". The window shows the command "bash-3.2\$./dictionaryDemo.py" followed by the output "GoogleChrome" and "129.0.6668.71". The Python logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the slide.

```
bash-3.2$ ./dictionaryDemo.py
GoogleChrome
129.0.6668.71
bash-3.2$
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]

print(item["name"])
print(item["version"])
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift
```

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let item
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Terminal — bash — 93x24
```

```
bash-3.2$ ./dictionaryDemo.swift
dictionaryDemo.swift:3:12: error: heterogeneous collection literal could only be inferred to
'[String : Any]'; add explicit type annotation if this is intentional
let item = [
    ^
dictionaryDemo.swift:14:7: warning: expression implicitly coerced from 'Any?' to 'Any'
print(item["name"])
    ^~~~~~
dictionaryDemo.swift:14:11:           provide a default value to avoid this warning
print(item["name"])
    ^~~~~~
    ?? <#default value#>
dictionaryDemo.swift:14:11:           force-unwrap the value to avoid this warning
print(item["name"])
    ^~~~~~
    !
dictionaryDemo.swift:14:11:           explicitly cast to 'Any' with 'as Any' to silence this warn
ing
print(item["name"])
    ^~~~~~
        as Any
dictionaryDemo.swift:15:7: warning: expression implicitly coerced from 'Any?' to 'Any'
print(item["version"])
    ^~~~~~
```



```
bash-3.2$ swift repl
Welcome to Apple Swift version 5.10 (swiftlang-5.10.0.13 clang-1500.3.9.4).
Type :help for assistance.
```

```
1> let item = [
2.     "catalogs": ["production"],
3.     "description": "Google's web browser.",
4.     "display_name": "Google Chrome",
5.     "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
6.     "installer_item_size": 210383,
7.     "name": "GoogleChrome",
8.     "uninstallable": true,
9.     "version": "129.0.6668.71"
10. ]
```

```
error: repl.swift:1:12: error: heterogeneous collection literal could only be inferred to
'[String : Any]'; add explicit type annotation if this is intentional
```

```
let item = [
    ^
```



```
bash-3.2$ swift repl
```

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Welcome to Apple Swift version 5.10 (swiftlang-5.10.0.13 clang-1500.3.9.4).
```

```
Type :help for assistance.
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6.     "installer_item_size": 210383,  
7.     "name": "GoogleChrome",  
8.     "uninstallable": true,  
9.     "version": "129.0.6668.71"  
10. ]
```

```
error: repl.swift:1:12: error: type '[String : Any]' has no member 'add explicit' [String : Any]'; add explicit conversion
```

```
let item = [  
    ^
```

heterogeneous :

Overview

Usage examples

Similar and opposite words

adjective. **different in kind; unlike; incongruous.** composed of parts of different kinds; having widely dissimilar elements or constituents: The party was attended by a heterogeneous group of artists, politicians, and social climbers.

```
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Welcome to Apple Swift version 5.10 (swiftlang-5.10.0.13 clang-1500.3.9.4).
Type :help for assistance.
```

```
1> let item = [
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4.     "display_name": "Google Chrome",
5.     "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
6.     "installer_item_size": 210383,
7.     "name": "GoogleChrome",
8.     "uninstallable": true,
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10. ]
```

```
error: repl.swift:1:12: error: heterogeneous collection literal could only be inferred to
'[String : Any]'; add explicit type annotation if this is intentional
```

```
let item = [
```

```
    ^
```



```
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1> let item = [
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3.     "description": "Google's web browser.",
4.     "display_name": "Google Chrome",
5.     "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
6.     "installer_item_size": 210383,
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8.     "uninstallable": true,
9.     "version": "129.0.6668.71"
10. ]
```

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error: repl.swift:1:12: error: heterogeneous collection literal could only be inferred to
[String : Any]; add explicit type annotation if this is intentional
```

```
let item = [
```

^



```
bash-3.2$ swift repl
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Type :help for assistance.
```

```
1> let item = [
2.     "catalogs": ["production"],
3.     "description": "Google's web browser.",
4.     "display_name": "Google Chrome",
5.     "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
6.     "installer_item_size": 210383,
7.     "name": "GoogleChrome",
8.     "uninstallable": true,
9.     "version": "129.0.6668.71"
10. ]
```

```
error: repl.swift:1:12: error: heterogeneous collection literal could only be inferred to
[String : Any] ; add explicit type annotation if this is intentional
let item = [
    ^
```



```
bash-3.2$ swift repl
Welcome to Apple Swift version 5.10 (swiftlang-5.10.0.13 clang-1500.3.9.4).
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```

```
1> let item: [String : Any] = [
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4.     "display_name": "Google Chrome",
5.     "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
6.     "installer_item_size": 210383,
7.     "name": "GoogleChrome",
8.     "uninstallable": true,
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10. ]
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```
bash-3.2$ swift repl
Welcome to Apple Swift version 5.10 (swiftlang-5.10.0.13 clang-1500.3.9.4).
Type :help for assistance.
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1> let item: [String : Any] = [
2.     "catalogs": ["production"],
3.     "description": "Google's web browser.",
4.     "display_name": "Google Chrome",
5.     "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
6.     "installer_item_size": 210383,
7.     "name": "GoogleChrome",
8.     "uninstallable": true,
9.     "version": "129.0.6668.71"
10. ]
```

```
item: [String : Any] = 8 key/value pairs {
```

```
[0] = {
    key = "version"
    value = "129.0.6668.71"
}
```

```
[1] = {
    key = "uninstallable"
    value = true
}
```



```
value = "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg"
}
[6] = {
    key = "installer_item_size"
    value = 210383
}
[7] = {
    key = "display_name"
    value = "Google Chrome"
}
}
11>
```



```
value = "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg"
}
[6] = {
  key = "installer_item_size"
  value = 210383
}
[7] = {
  key = "display_name"
  value = "Google Chrome"
}
}
11> print(item["name"])
Optional("GoogleChrome")
12> print(item["uninstallable"])
Optional(true)
13> print(item["NoSuchKey"])
nil
14>
```



```
value = "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg"
}
[6] = {
    key = "installer_item_size"
    value = 210383
}
[7] = {
    key = "display_name"
    value = "Google Chrome"
}
}
11> print(item["name"])
Optional("GoogleChrome")
12> print(item["uninstallable"])
Optional(true)
13> print(item["NoSuchKey"])
nil
14>
```



Optional

- Might be a value
- Might be nil (undefined)

Unwrapping an Optional

```
if let name = item["name"] {  
    print(name)  
} else {  
    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
}  
  
if let version = item["version"] {  
    print(version)  
} else {  
    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
}
```

Unwrapping an Optional

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if let name = item["name"] {  
    print(name)  
} else {  
    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
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    print(version)  
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    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
}
```

Unwrapping an Optional

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}
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}  
  
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    print(version)  
} else {  
    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
}
```

Unwrapping an Optional

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if let name = item["name"] {  
    print(name)  
} else {  
    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
}  
  
if let version = item["version"] {  
    print(version)  
} else {  
    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
}
```

Unwrapping an Optional

```
if let name = item["name"] {  
    print(name)  
} else {  
    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
}  
  
if let version = item["version"] {  
    print(version)  
} else {  
    print("<UNKNOWN>")  
}
```

Unwrapping an Optional

```
print(item["name"] ?? "<UNKNOWN>")  
print(item["version"] ?? "<UNKNOWN>")
```

Unwrapping an Optional

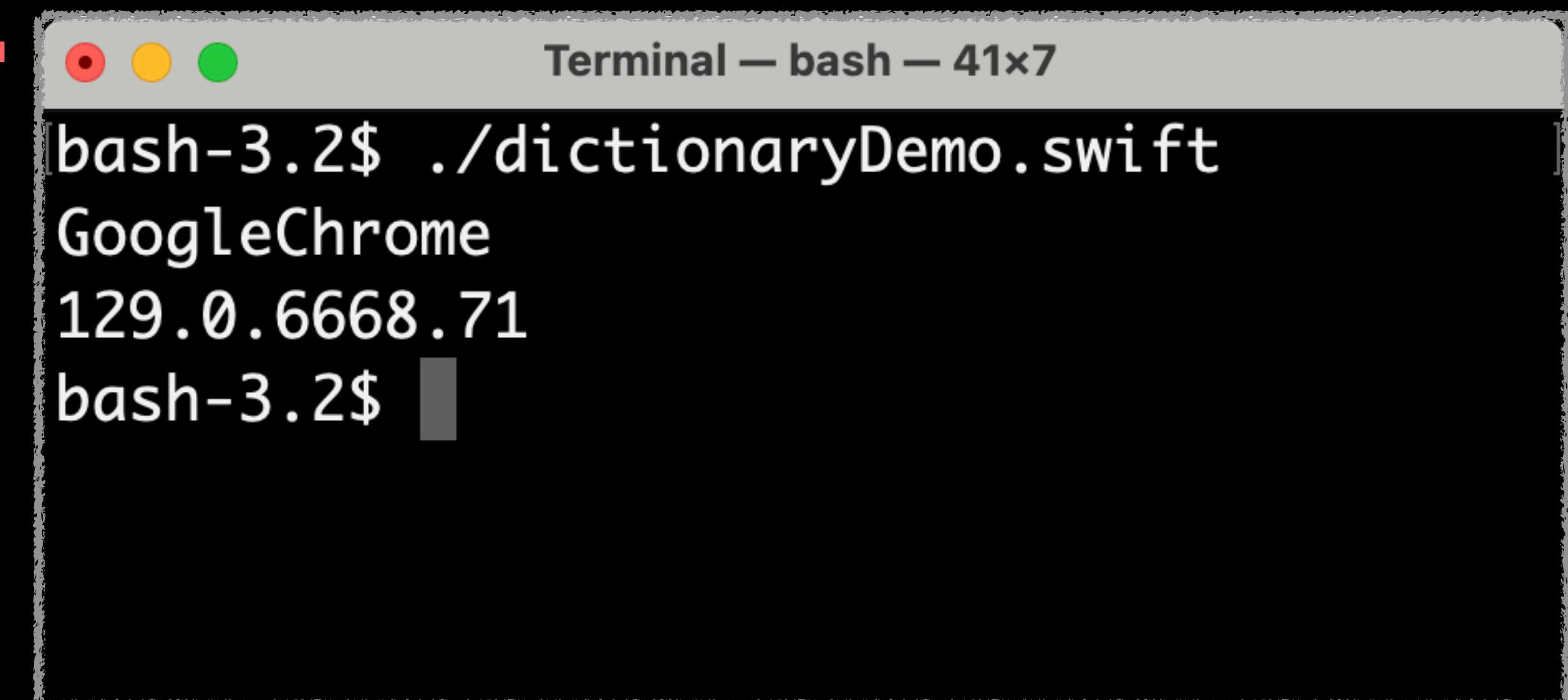
```
print(item["name"] ?? "<UNKNOWN>")  
print(item["version"] ?? "<UNKNOWN>")
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]

print(item["name"] ?? "")
print(item["version"] ?? "")
```



A screenshot of a macOS Terminal window titled "Terminal — bash — 41x7". The window shows the command "bash-3.2\$./dictionaryDemo.swift" followed by the output "GoogleChrome" and "129.0.6668.71". The entire code block above is highlighted with a green box.

```
bash-3.2$ ./dictionaryDemo.swift
GoogleChrome
129.0.6668.71
bash-3.2$
```

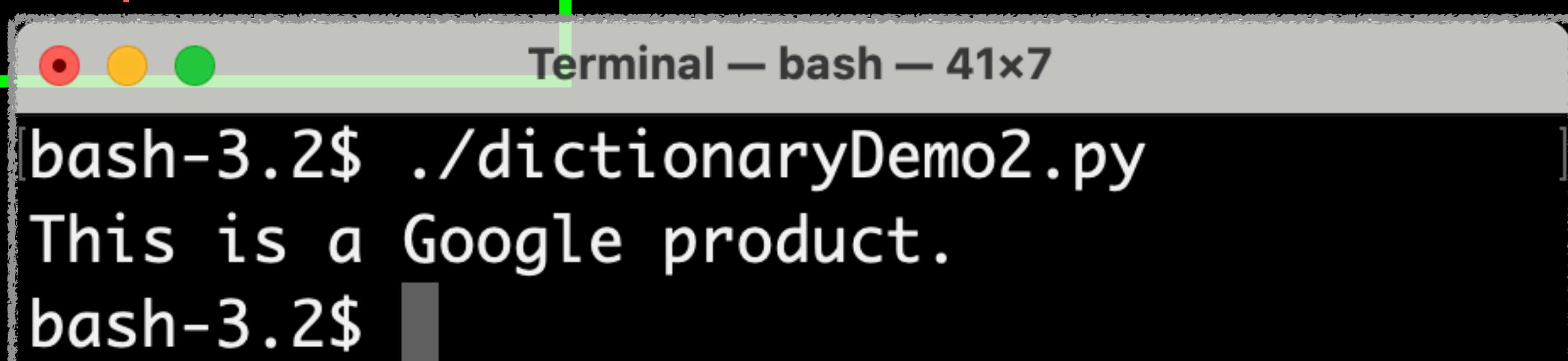


But wait there's more

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

item = {
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": True,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
}
```

```
if item["name"].startswith("Google"):
    print("This is a Google product.")
```



A screenshot of a terminal window titled "Terminal – bash – 41x7". The window contains the following text:

```
bash-3.2$ ./dictionaryDemo2.py
This is a Google product.
bash-3.2$
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]

let name = item["name"] ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
    print("This is a Google product.")
}
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"]
```

```
bash-3.2$ ./dictionaryDemo2.swift
dictionaryDemo2.swift:15:9: error: value of type 'Any' has no member 'hasPrefix'
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
let name = item["name"] ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {           cast 'Any' to 'AnyObject' or use 'as!' to force
print("This is a Google product.")      downcast to a more specific type to access members
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
    ^
    ( as AnyObject)
bash-3.2$
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"]
```

```
bash-3.2$ ./dictionaryDemo2.swift
dictionaryDemo2.swift:15:9: error: value of type 'Any' has no member 'hasPrefix'
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
let name = item["name"] ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {           cast 'Any' to 'AnyObject' or use 'as!' to force
print("This is a Google product.")      downcast to a more specific type to access members
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
    ^
    ( as AnyObject)
bash-3.2$
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]
```

```
let name = item["name"] ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
    print("This is a Google product.")
}
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"], ← Array of strings
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome", ← String
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383, ← Integer
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true, ← Boolean
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]
```

```
let name = item["name"] ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
    print("This is a Google product.")
}
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"], ← Array of strings
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome", ← String
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383, ← Integer
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true, ← Boolean
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]

let name = item["name"] ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix('Google') {
    print("This is a Google product.")
}
```



```
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let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
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    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]
```

```
let name = item["name"] as? String ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
    print("This is a Google product.")
}
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift

let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]
```

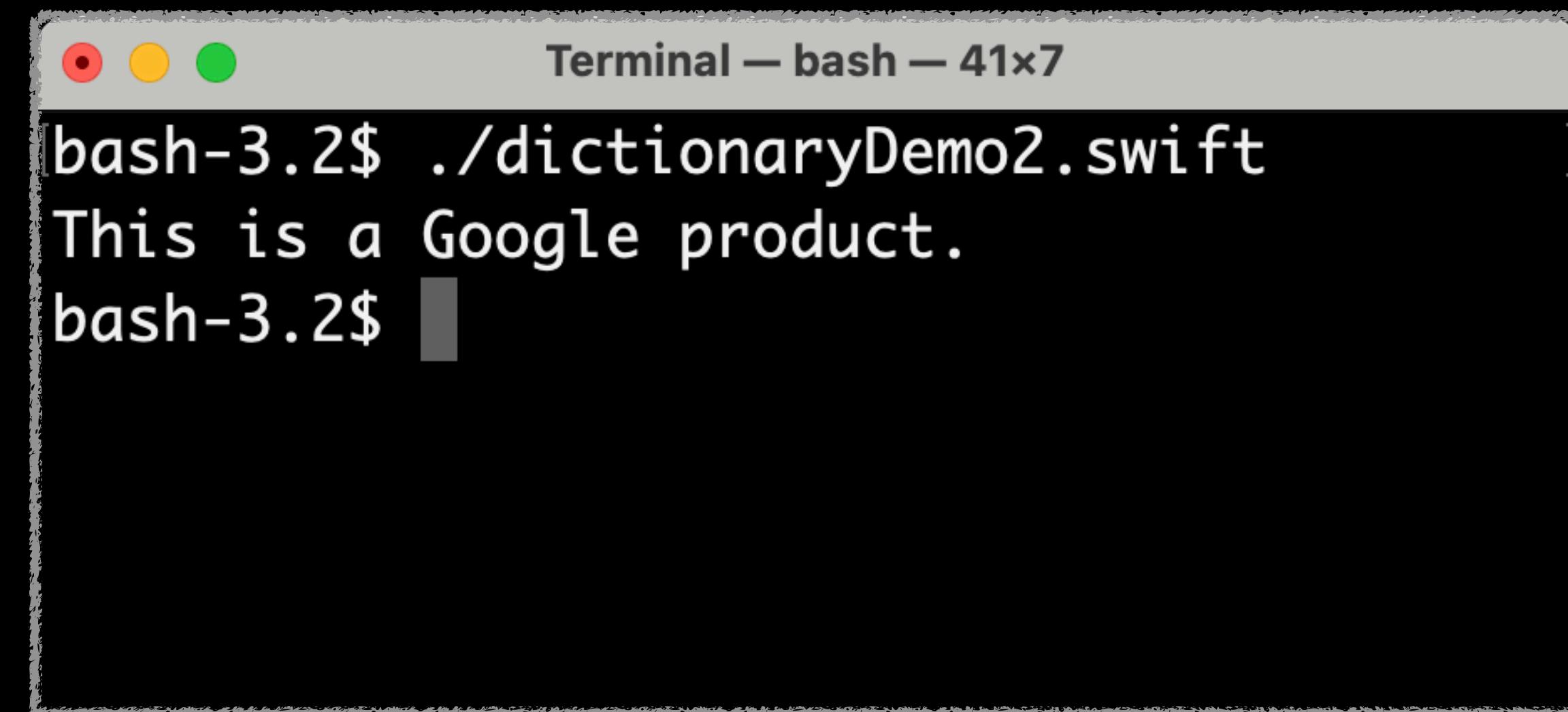
```
let name = item["name"] as? String ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
    print("This is a Google product.")
}
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift
```

```
let item: [String : Any] = [
    "catalogs": ["production"],
    "description": "Google's web browser.",
    "display_name": "Google Chrome",
    "installer_item_location": "apps/GoogleChrome-129.0.6668.71.dmg",
    "installer_item_size": 210383,
    "name": "GoogleChrome",
    "uninstallable": true,
    "version": "129.0.6668.71"
]
```

```
let name = item["name"] as? String ?? ""
if name.hasPrefix("Google") {
    print("This is a Google product.")
}
```



A screenshot of a Mac OS X terminal window titled "Terminal — bash — 41x7". The window contains the following text:

```
bash-3.2$ ./dictionaryDemo2.swift
This is a Google product.
bash-3.2$
```



```
let itemName = item["name"] as? String ?? "<unknown>"  
let installerType = item["installer_type"] as? String ?? "pkg_install"  
let installerItem = item["installer_item"] as? String ?? ""
```



List Comprehensions

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

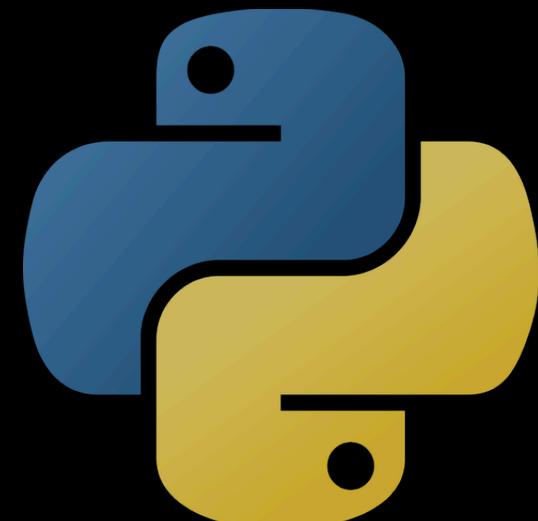
fruits = [
    "Apricot",
    "Apple",
    "Avocado",
    "Banana",
    "Blueberry",
    "Cantaloupe",
    "Cherry",
    "Cranberry"
]
```

```
big_fruits = [item.upper() for item in fruits]

print(big_fruits)
```

Terminal – bash – 41x7

```
bash-3.2$ ./listComprehension2.py
['APRICOT', 'APPLE', 'AVOCADO', 'BANANA',
 'BLUEBERRY', 'CANTALOUPE', 'CHERRY', 'CR
ANBERRY']
bash-3.2$
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift
```

```
let fruits = [  
    "Apricot",  
    "Apple",  
    "Avocado",  
    "Banana",  
    "Blueberry",  
    "Cantaloupe",  
    "Cherry",  
    "Cranberry"  
]
```

```
let msaFruit = fruits.map {  
    $0.uppercased()  
}  
  
print(msaFruit)
```

Terminal — bash — 41x7

```
bash-3.2$ ./listComprehension2.swift  
["APRICOT", "APPLE", "AVOCADO", "BANANA",  
 "BLUEBERRY", "CANTALOUPE", "CHERRY", "CR  
ANBERRY"]  
bash-3.2$
```



```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

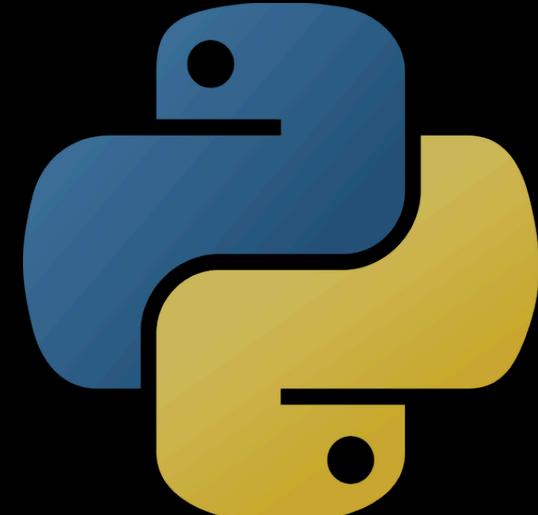
fruits = [
    "Apricot",
    "Apple",
    "Avocado",
    "Banana",
    "Blueberry",
    "Cantaloupe",
    "Cherry",
    "Cranberry"
]
```

```
filtered_fruits = [fruit for fruit in fruits if fruit.startswith("A")]

print(filtered_fruits)
```

Terminal — bash — 41x7

```
bash-3.2$ ./listComprehension1.py
['Apricot', 'Apple', 'Avocado']
bash-3.2$
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift
```

```
let fruits = [  
    "Apricot",  
    "Apple",  
    "Avocado",  
    "Banana",  
    "Blueberry",  
    "Cantaloupe",  
    "Cherry",  
    "Cranberry"  
]
```

```
let filteredFruits = fruits.filter {  
    $0.hasPrefix("A")  
}  
  
print(filteredFruits)
```

Terminal – bash – 41x7

```
bash-3.2$ ./ListComprehension1.swift  
["Apricot", "Apple", "Avocado"]  
bash-3.2$
```



```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

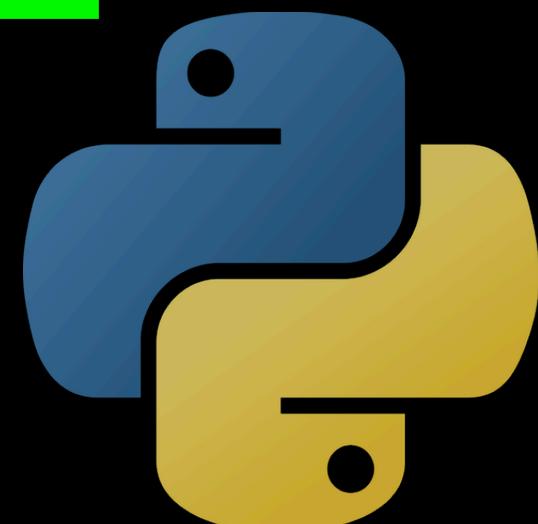
fruits = [
    "Apricot",
    "Apple",
    "Avocado",
    "Banana",
    "Blueberry",
    "Cantaloupe",
    "Cherry",
    "Cranberry"
]
```



A screenshot of a Mac OS X terminal window titled "Terminal – bash – 41x7". The window shows the command "bash-3.2\$./listComprehension2.py" followed by the output "['BANANA']" and then "bash-3.2\$". The terminal has its standard red, yellow, and green window controls at the top.

```
msa_fruit = [item.upper() for item in fruits if item.endswith("a")]

print(msa_fruit)
```



```
#!/usr/bin/swift  
  
let fruits = [  
    "Apricot",  
    "Apple",  
    "Avocado",  
    "Banana",  
    "Blueberry",  
    "Cantaloupe",  
    "Cherry",  
    "Cranberry"  
]
```

```
let msaFruit = fruits.filter {  
    $0.hasSuffix("a")  
}.map {  
    $0.uppercased()  
}  
  
print(msaFruit)
```

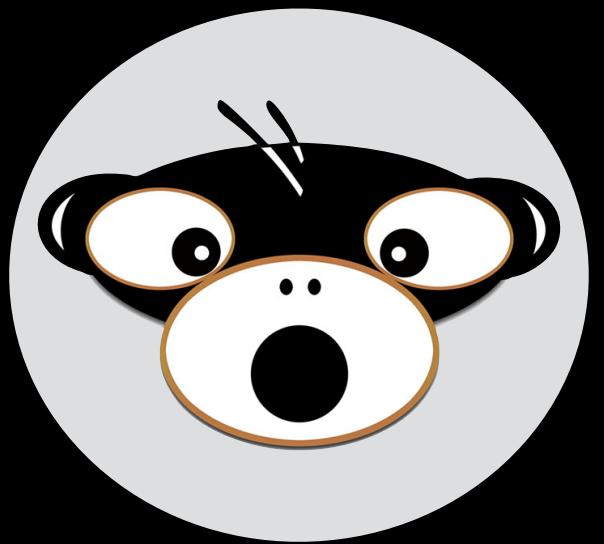
Terminal — bash — 41x7

```
[bash-3.2$ ./listComprehension2.swift  
["BANANA"]  
bash-3.2$ ]
```

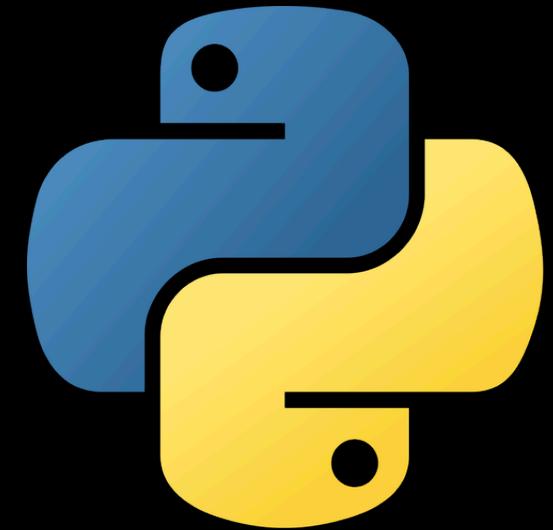


Progress update





Lines of code



~30,000



~20,000 (so far)

Deprecations/Removals

Deprecations/Removals

- Configuration Profiles
- Special treatment of Adobe installers
- Apple update metadata
- `appdmg` installer type
- `suppress_bundle_relocation` pkginfo key
- Installation of Apple Software Updates

Maybe?

- Drop support for `startosinstall` (leaving support for `stage_os_installer`)

Demo

Tack!

Links

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