# 1.2. Scripting

It is important to lay down general basics about scripting. Generally speaking scripting is a powerful tool for developers and IT professionals, enabling them to automate tasks, enhance functionality, and create dynamic applications.

**Definition**: Scripting refers to writing a series of commands that are executed by a certain runtime environment. These commands are typically used to automate tasks that would otherwise be performed manually. Here are some key points about scripting:

- **Interpreted Language:** Scripting languages are usually interpreted rather than compiled. This means the code is executed line-by-line by an interpreter.
- **Automation:** Scripts are often used to automate repetitive tasks, such as file manipulation, data processing, and system administration.
- **Integration:** Scripting languages can integrate with other software applications to extend their functionality.

**The benefits of scripting:**

- **Ease of Use:** Scripting languages are generally easier to learn and use compared to compiled languages.
- **Flexibility:** They allow for quick changes and iterations.
- **Efficiency:** Automate repetitive tasks, saving time and reducing errors.

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