Elements Of Data Science - F2023

Introduction to Data Science Tools

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TODOs

- **Read** Preface of PDSH
- **Read** Ch 1 of PDSH
- **Skim** Ch 2 of PDSH: Introduction to NumPy
- Weekly Quiz 01

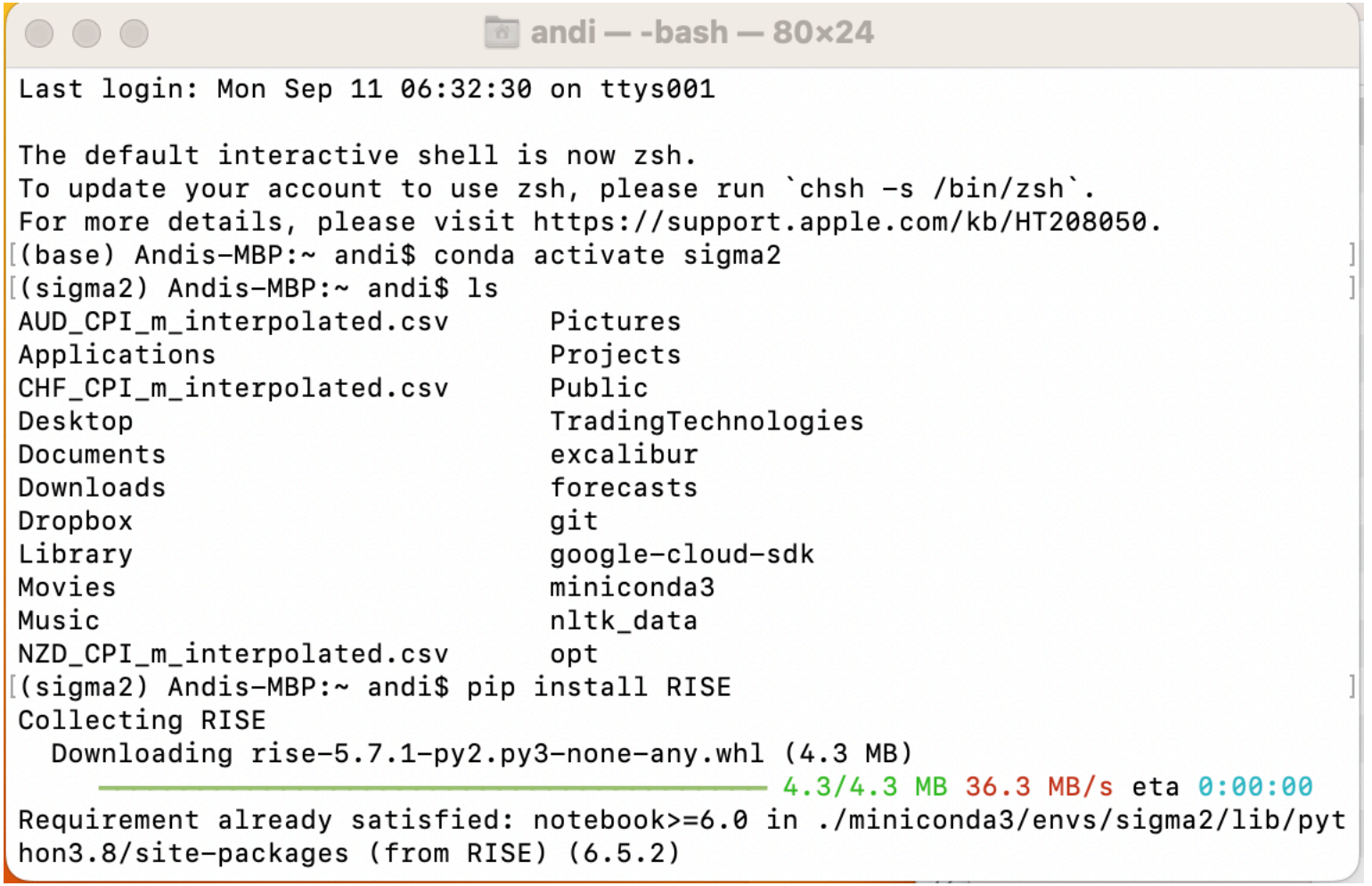
TODAY

- Software tools we'll be using

Our Python Data Science Stack

- Python (3.10): Programming language
- Anaconda : Package maintenance and environments
- Jupyter : IDE
- Git : Source control and versioning

Aside: The Terminal and The Shell



- If not familiar, get aquainted
- Common set of commands (Ex. cd, ls, cat, mv)
- OSX and Linux: Terminal + bash/zsh (already installed)
- Windows: install Git Bash (or use WSL)

Aside: Common Shell Commands

- **cd** : change directory
- **pwd** : where am i
- **ls** : list directory contents
- **head/tail** : print the beginning/end of a file
- **cat** : print entire file
- **less** : open a file in a pager
- **rm** : remove file
- **which** : path to executable

- ...

- Link to Tutorial

Data Science Life Skills

- Data munging
- Visualization
- Statistical analysis
- Machine learning
- Reporting
- Prototyping
- Productionizing...

Why Python?

- Robust and active DS stack
- Cross-platform
- Relatively low learning curve
- Fast to answers and prototypes
- Many other good languages and frameworks (R, Julia, etc.)

Why Python?

- But isn't python slow?
- **Issues:**
    - dynamic typing
        - The Python interpreter does type checking only as code runs, and the type of a variable is allowed to change over its lifetime.
- **Solutions:**
    - numpy + vectorization
    - multiprocessing
    - pypy instead of CPython
    - distributed processing with pyspark?

The Python DS Stack

- **Data munging** : pandas, numpy
- **Visualization** : matplotlib, seaborn, plotly
- **Statistical analysis** : scipy, statsmodels, patsy
- **Machine learning** : scikit-learn, tensorflow, pytorch
- **Reporting** : jupyter+ipython, dash
- **Prototyping** : flask
- **Productionizing...**

Python 2 vs 3

- We'll be using Python 3.10
- Python 2 end of life was Jan 1, 2020
- Need python 2 for another class? Virtual environments!

How To Get Python

- You might already have it
- But your OS needs it!
- Our solution: Anaconda

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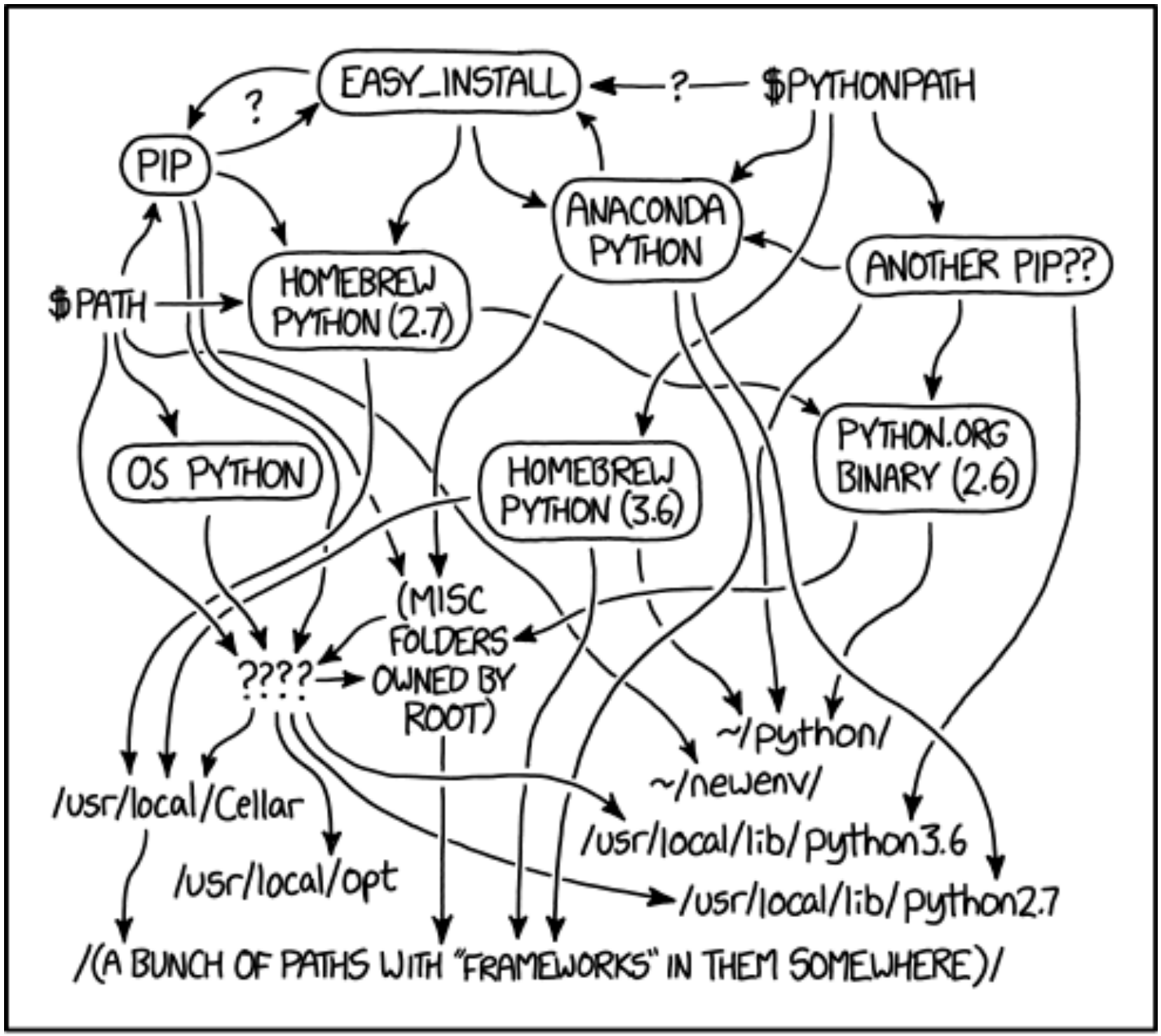

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Why Anaconda?

- includes most of what we need by default
- package curation
- dependency control
- conda virtual environments
- cross-platform

Installing Anaconda

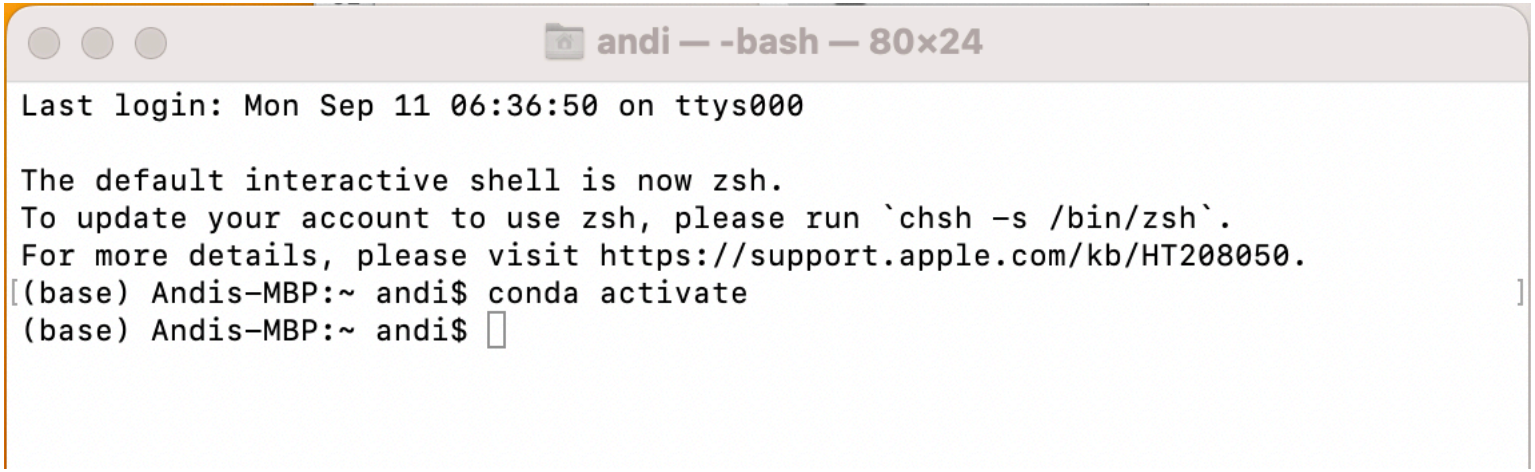
- Download via https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual
- Select OS and Grab Python 3.9 version
- Install somewhere easy to navigate to
    - /home/bgibson/anaconda3
    - C:\Users\brygib\anaconda3
- Recommend letting installer run `conda init` to set up your shell
- Note: base environment activated by default
    - To Turn off: `conda config --set auto_activate_base false`

Running Python

- via terminal:
    - python REPL
    - python command line
    - python script
    - ipython REPL
- via jupyter
- via other IDE
- online via Google Colab
- ...

Running Python

- Via REPL (Read–Eval–Print Loop)
    - `$ conda activate`
    - `(base)$ python`



- quit() or Ctrl-D to exit

Running Python

Via command line

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(base) Andis-MBP:~ andi$ python -c "print('hello')"
hello
```

Via script

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(base) Andis-MBP:~$ python /tmp/say_hello.py
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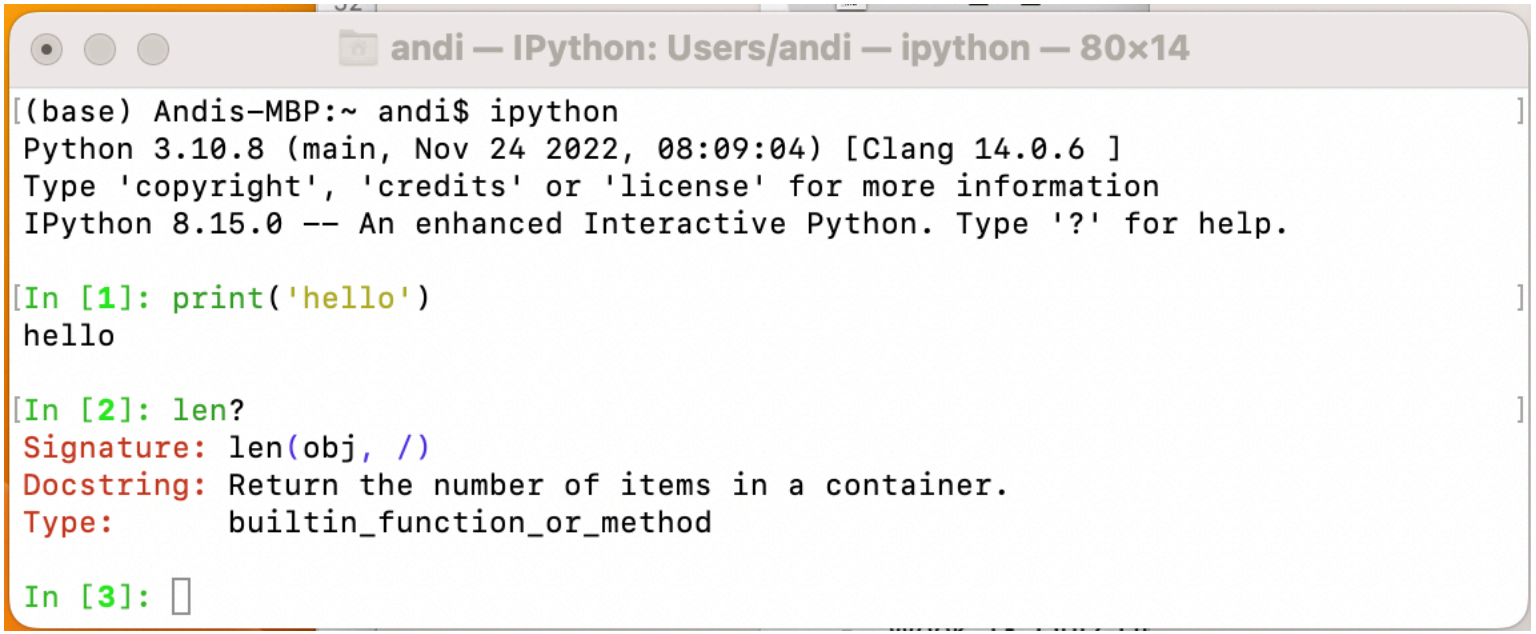
Ipython: Interactive Python

- history (`python` does this now as well)
- tab completion (`python` does this now as well)
- "magic" commands
- help via `?` (`python` has `help()` as well)
- (see PDSH Ch 1 for more info)

Ipython : REPL and Help

- `$conda activate` if (base) not activated



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In [ ]:

```
%%timeit
x = []
for i in range(20):
    x.append(i**2)
```

Help with Magic Commands

- get information about the %timeit magic function

```
%timeit?
```

- get info on all magic functions

```
%magic
```

- get list of magic functions

```
%lsmagic
```

Ipython Notebooks with Jupyter

- Jupyter: application that combines code, markup and visualizations
- interact via web browser
- notebooks are easily sharable
- Jupyter can run other kernels as well: R, Julia, C#, etc.

- To launch via command line:

```
(base) Andis-MBP:~ andi$ cd ~/proj
(base) Andis-MBP:~ andi~/proj$ jupyter notebook
```

- launches dashboard in your default browser

- Ctrl-C to kill server

Other IDEs

- jupyterlab
- spyder
- pycharm
- visual studio code ...

Arguments for Notebooks

- fast to iterate
- easy to test new ideas
- wide adoption

Arguments against notebooks

- out of order execution
- messy code
- issues with version control
- slides by Joel Grus

How to deal with version issues? Virtual Environments

- encapsulate python executable and packages
- allow for easy experimentation
- workaround versioning issues
- two major implementations: virtualenv and conda (we'll be using conda)

Virtual Environments with Conda

Example for creating a new environment called py2 with python=2.7:

```
(base) Andis-MBP:~ andi$ conda create -n py2 python=2.7
...
```

```
(base) Andis-MBP:~ andi$ conda activate py2
```

```
(py2) Andis-MBP:~ andi$ which python
/Users/andi/miniconda3/envs/py2/bin/python
```

```
(py2) Andis-MBP:~ andi$ python --version
Python 2.7.18 :: Anaconda, Inc.
```

```
(py2) Andis-MBP:~ andi$ conda deactivate
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```

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Python 3.10.8
```

Managing Conda Enviroments

- `conda create -n [env_name]`
- `conda create -n [env_name] [package] [package]=[version]`
- **`conda env create --file [requirementsfile].yml`**
- `conda activate [name]`
- `conda deactivate`
- `conda env list`
- For more information see: https://docs.conda.io/projects/conda/en/latest/user-guide/tasks/manage-environments.html

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- when you can, double check the path to your env

Conda Channels: default vs conda-forge

- channels: locations where packages are stored
    - default: Anaconda terms specify only used in non-commercial application
    - conda-forge: where all of the good stuff is anyway

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Conda Virtual Envs and Jupyter Kernels

- jupyter can run many different kernels
- conda envs not automatically added as available kernels

Controlling Jupyter Kernels

- to install a new kernel in jupyter:

```
(base) $ conda activate py2
(py2) $ conda install -c conda-forge ipykernel
(py2) $ python -m ipykernel install --user --name py2
```

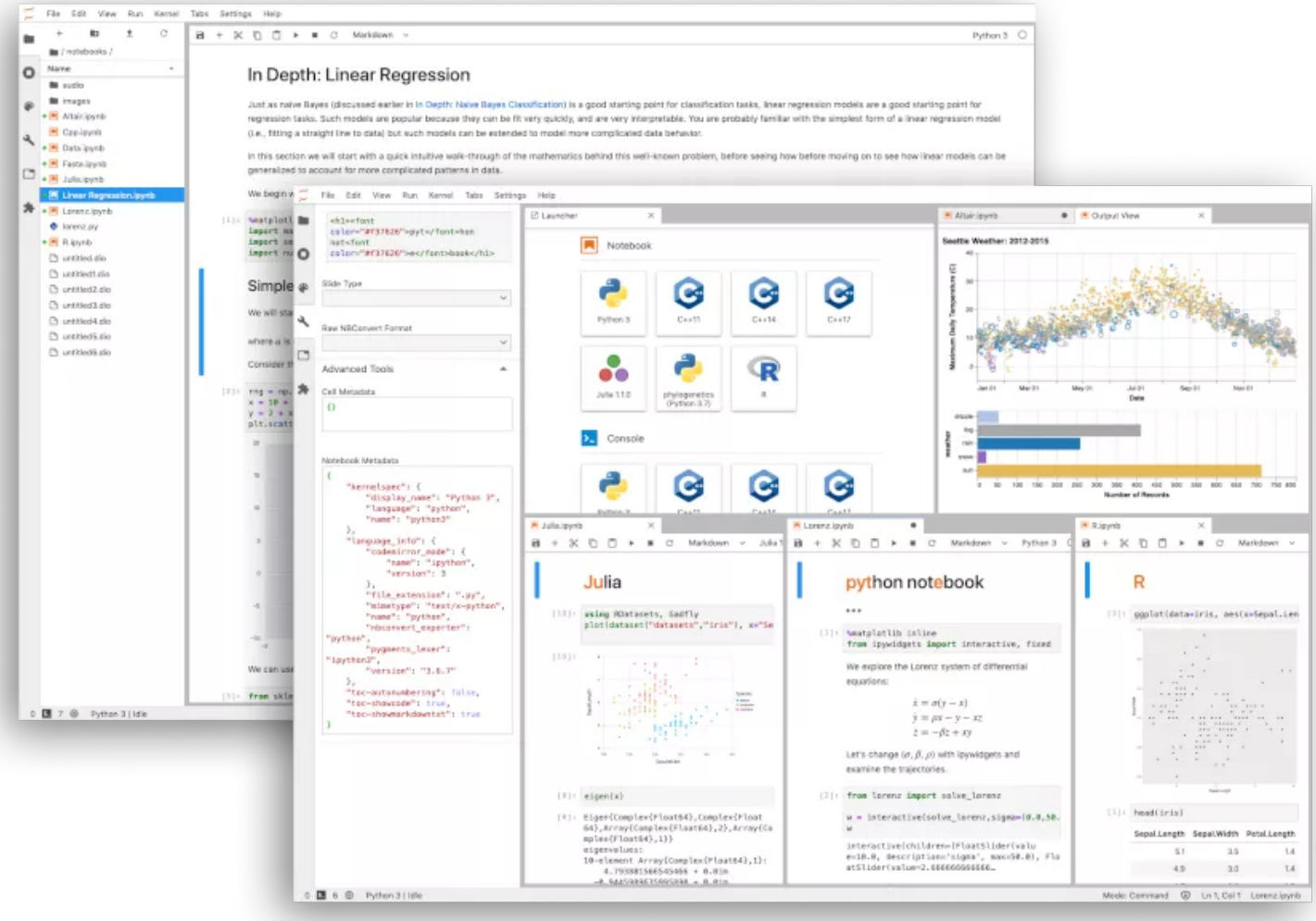
- to list kernels: `jupyter kernelspec list`
- to remove kernel: `jupyter kernelspec uninstall [name]`

Jupyter Demo

- Important: h for help
- Markdown syntax help: https://daringfireball.net/projects/markdown/syntax

Jupyter Classic vs JupyterLab

- start as either `jupyter notebook` or `jupyter lab`
- or replace `http://localhost:8888/tree` with `http://localhost:8888/lab`


In Depth: Linear Regression
Launcher
Notebook
Console
Julia
python notebook
R

Example Notebooks

Gallery of interesting Jupyter Notebooks

Git and Github


THIS IS GIT. IT TRACKS COLLABORATIVE WORK ON PROJECTS THROUGH A BEAUTIFUL DISTRIBUTED GRAPH THEORY TREE MODEL.
COOL. HOW DO WE USE IT?
NO IDEA. JUST MEMORIZE THESE SHELL COMMANDS AND TYPE THEM TO SYNC UP. IF YOU GET ERRORS, SAVE YOUR WORK ELSEWHERE, DELETE THE PROJECT, AND DOWNLOAD A FRESH COPY.

Git

- distributed version control
- for code, documentation, *small* data
- can be used locally or with remote collaborators

Github

- backup
- sharing
- used for both large and small projects
    - Ex: https://github.com/scikit-learn/scikit-learn

Getting course material

- Can view online at: TBA
- You'll also want to clone locally:

```
$ cd [your projects folder]
$ git clone **TBA**
```

Demo Week 1 Quiz

Questions?

- Next time: Python review, numpy and pandas