

LAB MANUAL

Create Virtual Environment



Lab Assignment: Creating and Using a Virtual Environment for a Python Project in Jupyter Notebook

Objective

In this lab assignment, you will learn how to create a virtual environment for a Python project, manage its dependencies using `requirements.txt`, and run the project in Jupyter Notebook. This ensures that the project-specific libraries do not interfere with the global Python environment.

Prerequisites

- Basic understanding of Python programming
- Anaconda or Python installed on your system.
- Basic knowledge of command-line operations

Project Overview

You will create a simple Python project for displaying live news, that uses the following libraries:

- `requests` for making HTTP requests
- `beautifulsoup4` for parsing HTML

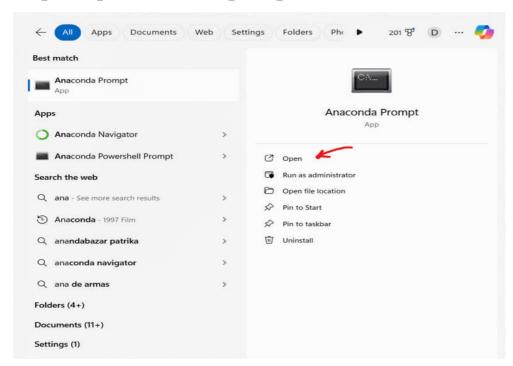
You will create a Jupyter Notebook that fetches weather data from a public API, parses the data, and plots the temperature trend over a week.

Solution



Step-by-Step Instructions

Step 1: Open Anaconda prompt.



Step 2: Creating and Activating a Virtual Environment

1. Create a Virtual Environment: conda create --name weather-env python=3.9





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Anaconda Prompt
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Downloading and Extracting Packages
Preparing transaction: done
Verifying transaction: done
Executing transaction: done
# To activate this environment, use
#
          $ conda activate weather-env
# To deactivate an active environment, use
           $ conda deactivate
(base) C:\Users\dulari>
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2. Activate the Virtual Environment:

conda activate weather-env

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(base) C:\Users\dulari>conda activate weather-env
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Once it is activated it will look like this

```
(weather-env) C:\Users\dulari>
```



Step 3: Installing Dependencies

Download requirements.txt file.

1. Install Dependencies from `requirements.txt`:

pip install -r requirements.txt

2. Install Jupyter and IPython Kernel:

conda install jupyter ipykernel

(weather-env) C:\Users\dulari\Downloads>conda install jupyter ipykernel



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Downloading and Extracting Packages

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3. Create a Kernel for the Virtual Environment:

python -m ipykernel install --user --name weather-env --display-name "Python (weather-env)"

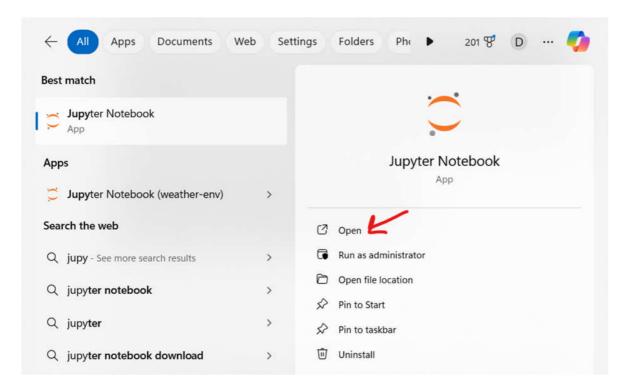
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(weather-env) C:\Users\dulari\Downloads>python -m ipykernel install --user --name weather-env --display-name "Python (weather-env)"

Output

Installed kernelspec weather-env in C:\Users\dulari\AppData\Roaming\jupyter\kernels\weather-env
```

Step 4: Creating the Jupyter Notebook





1. Start Jupyter Notebook:

jupyter notebook

2. Create a New Notebook:

- In the Jupyter Notebook interface, click on `New` -> `Python (weather-env)` to create a new notebook that uses the `weather-env` virtual environment.



3. Verify Kernel:



- In the new notebook, run the following command to verify that the correct Python interpreter is being used:

```
import sys
print(sys.executable)
```

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In [1]: import sys
print(sys.executable)

C:\Users\dulari\anaconda3\envs\weather-env\python.exe
```

- This should print the path to the Python interpreter within the `weather-env` virtual environment.

Step 5: Writing the Jupyter Notebook

1. Add the Following Code to the Notebook:

import requests

from bs4 import BeautifulSoup

URL of the website to scrape

url = 'https://www.bbc.com/news'

Define the User-Agent header to mimic a browser request

 $headers = {$



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'User-Agent': 'Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64)
AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/125.0.0.0
Safari/537.36'
}
# Send a GET request to the website
response = requests.get(url, headers=headers)
# Check if the request was successful
if response.status code == 200:
  # Parse the HTML content of the page
  soup = BeautifulSoup(response.content, 'html.parser')
  # Find the elements containing the headlines
  headlines = soup.find_all('a', class_="sc-2e6baa30-0 gILusN")
  # Print the headlines
  print("Latest BBC News Headlines:")
  for headline in headlines:
    print(headline.text.strip())
else:
  print(f"Error fetching news data: {response.status_code}")
Output:
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Conclusion

This lab assignment helps you understand how to create a virtual environment, install specific dependencies using a 'requirements.txt' file, and run a Jupyter Notebook within the virtual environment. This approach is crucial for maintaining clean and manageable project environments, especially when working with multiple projects with dependencies.