

# A Practical Python Walkthrough

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#### How to access course material





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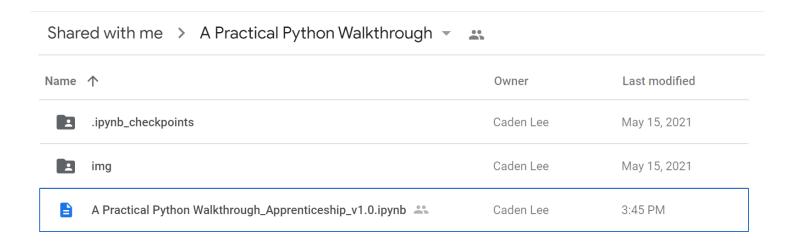
## Q&A – Which is better? Google Colab version or Jupyter Notebook version?

- Either is fine, really; both versions are designed for optimized experience on the platform you chose to use
- Google Colab would give you a fuss-free experience, since you'd require minimum set up (just need a Gdrive account)
- If you choose to download Anaconda on your local PC, you'll be better set for a long-term journey in Python Programming
- You may choose to use Google Colab first, and eventually get your PC set up ©

# Access Directly on Google Colab

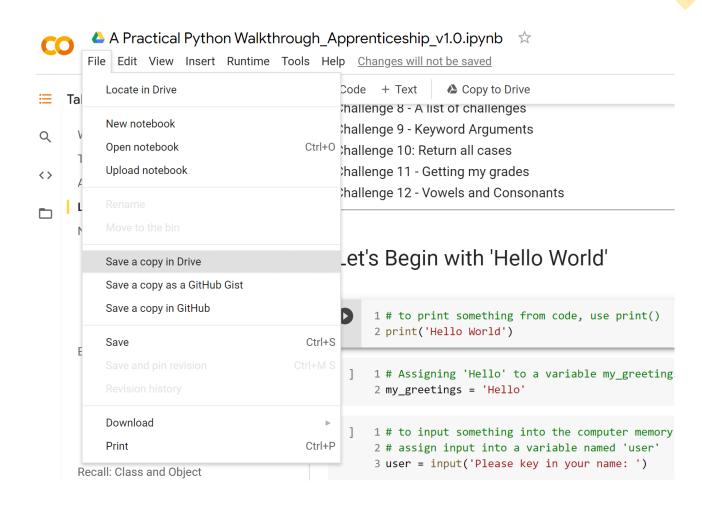
#### Step 1 – Go to the Google Drive

- Click on this link: <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/104rmM3P06eAPdccgG0DPZT\_0KjyuDDan</u>
- You need to have a valid Gdrive account in order to access the course material
- Click on 'A Practical Python Walkthrough\_Apprenticeship' ipynb folder to open the coursebook



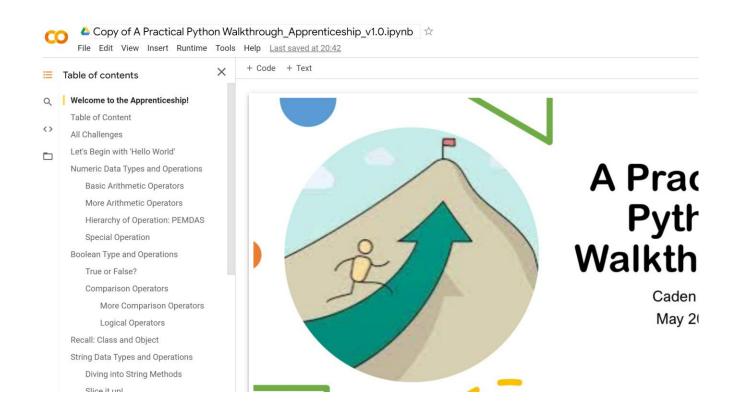
#### Step 2 – Create your own Copy

- Once inside the coursebook, you should observe that the current file doesn't allow you to save any changes
- Here you need to create your own copy
- Click on 'File' -> 'Save a copy in Drive'
- This will then lead you to your own copy



#### Step 3 – Rename your file and start coding!

- Double click on the notebook title to rename your notebook
- This file version is truly your own copy, so start coding away!

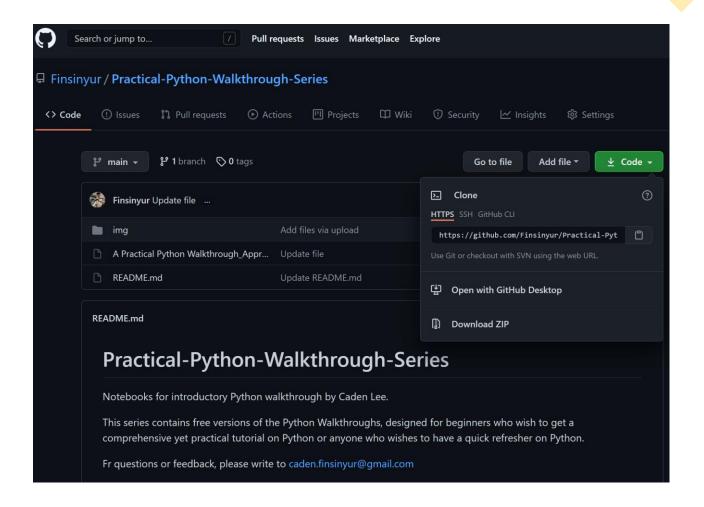


## Access Directly on your Local PC

#### Step 1 – Go to the GitHub

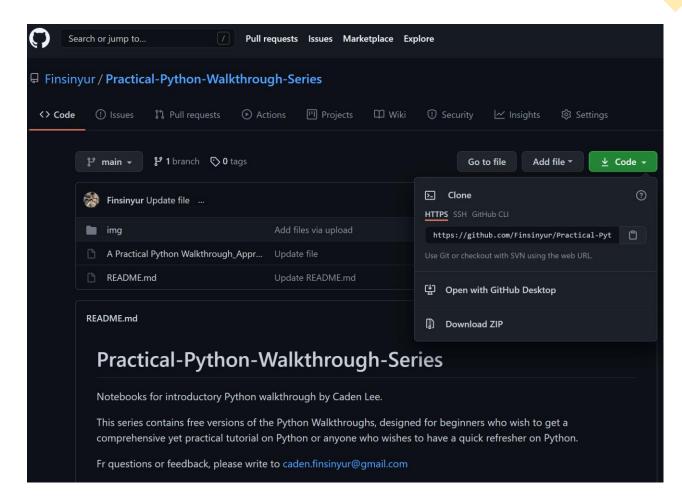
- Click on this link:

   <a href="https://github.com/Finsinyur/Practical-Python-Walkthrough-Series">https://github.com/Finsinyur/Practical-Python-Walkthrough-Series</a>
- Click on 'Code' green button, followed by 'Download ZIP'
- Once downloaded, unpack it and save the entire folder in your 'Documents'

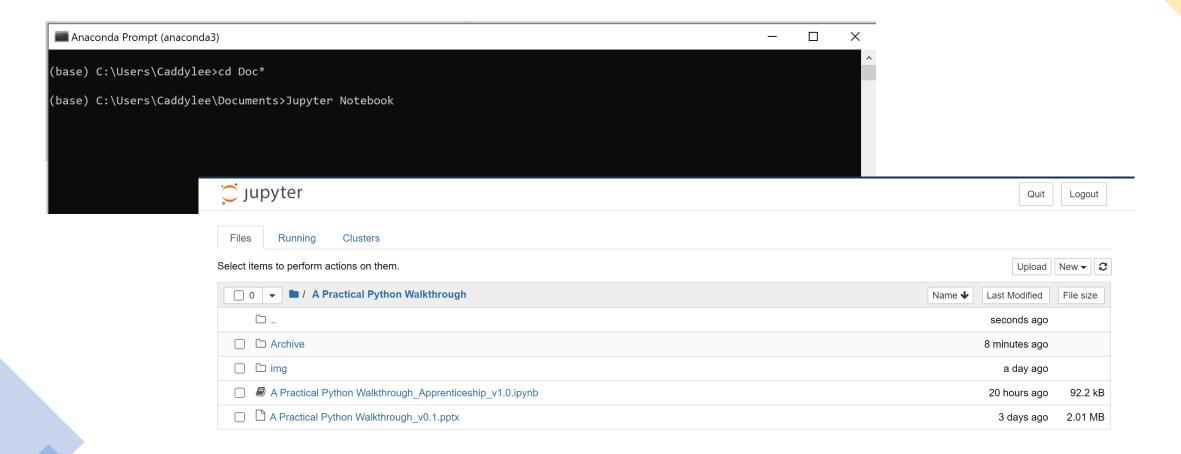


#### Step 2 – Activate Jupyter Notebook

- Here you'll need to have downloaded 'Anaconda' – download instructions in next section
- If you are using:
  - Windows: go to your taskbar and search for 'Anaconda Prompt'
  - Macintosh: activate your 'Terminal'
- In your command prompt (anaconda prompt/ terminal), navigate to your 'Documents' and type 'Jupyter Notebook' and press 'Enter'
- Jupyter Notebook will launch on your default browser (see next page)

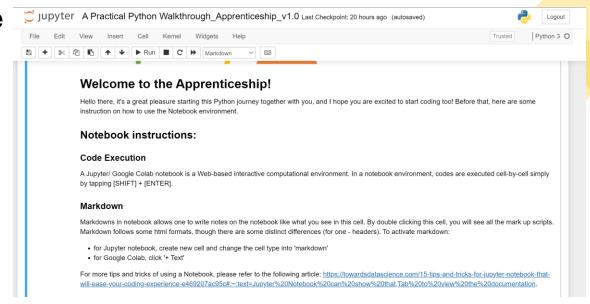


#### Step 2 – Activate Jupyter Notebook (cont.)



#### Step 3 – Open the course book

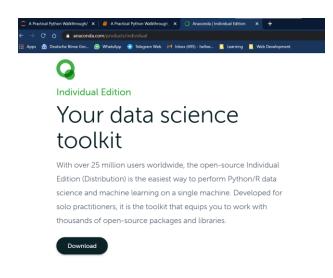
- Within the notebook you are able to navigate to the folder where you saved the coursebook
- Once you found your coursebook, open it on the Jupyter Notebook
- The course book should launch as in the picture on the right
- You may start coding away!



## Setting up your Anaconda

#### **Download Python Anaconda**

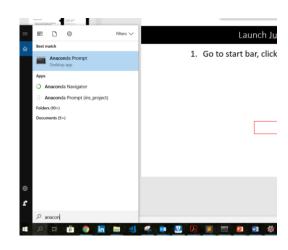
- 1. Go to <a href="https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual">https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual</a>
- 2. Click on 'Download' it will lead you to the part of the page where you can find various versions to install
- 3. Please install the correct version download the .exe file and start the set up





#### Launch Jupyter Notebook

- Go to start bar, click search and search 'Anaconda Prompt'
- On Anaconda Prompt, navigate to your Documents and type "Jupyter Notebook"
  - To enter a directory, use 'cd'
  - To make a new directory, use 'mkdir'
  - To list down all available folders and files in a directory, use 'dir'



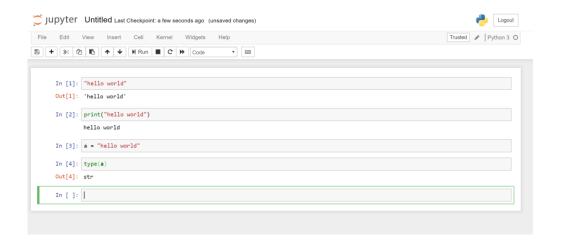
Anaconda Prompt .

(base) C:\Users\clee0>cd documents

(base) C:\Users\clee0\Documents>jupyter notebook

#### Launch Jupyter Notebook

- 3. Once you launched this page on your browser, click on 'New' -> 'Python 3'
- 4. The .ipynb (python notebook) file will then be launch, and so now let's code away! :D





## Launch Python Spyder IDE – Anaconda also includes Spyder

- Go to start bar, click search and search 'Spyder'
- Launch the app and wait –
  you should be able to see
  the IDE (console and editor)
- 3. Code away!

