Getting started

The document you are reading is not a static web page, but an interactive environment called a **Colab notebook** that lets you write and execute code.

For example, here is a **code cell** with a short Python script that computes a value, stores it in a variable, and prints the result:

```
#Calculation of total Infiltration by Horton's Equation
fo = float(input("Enter the value of initial Infiltration Rate:"))
fc= float(input("Enter the value of Final infiltration Rate:"))
t= int(input("Enter the value of Time:"))
kh= float(input("Enter the value of Decay Coefficient:"))
# The total Infiltration is given by:
Fp= fc*t+(fo -fc)/kh
print("The value of Total Infiltration is:", Fp)
```

```
Enter the value of initial Infiltration Rate:6
Enter the value of Final infiltration Rate:1.2
Enter the value of Time:8
Enter the value of Decay Coefficient:0.888
The value of Total Infiltration is: 15.005405405405405
```

```
seconds_in_a_day = 24 * 60 * 60
seconds_in_a_day
```

```
86400
```

To execute the code in the above cell, select it with a click and then either press the play button to the left of the code, or use the keyboard shortcut "Command/Ctrl+Enter". To edit the code, just click the cell and start editing.

Variables that you define in one cell can later be used in other cells:

```
seconds_in_a_week = 7 * seconds_in_a_day
seconds_in_a_week
```

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604800
```

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Colab notebooks are Jupyter notebooks that are hosted by Colab. To learn more about the Jupyter project, see jupyter.org.

Data science

With Colab you can harness the full power of popular Python libraries to analyze and visualize data. The code cell below uses **numpy** to generate some random data, and uses **matplotlib** to visualize it. To edit the code, just click the cell and start editing.

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