

# Python For Beginners Class 1

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## Get the Text Book

In Google, search “Python for kids, pdf”, and in the search result download the pdf version of the book.

## What is Anaconda?

<https://www.anaconda.com/what-is-anaconda/>

## How to Install Anaconda?

Download Anaconda 4.2.0 for Python 3.5:

**For Windows 64bit**

[https://repo.continuum.io/archive/Anaconda3-4.2.0-Windows-x86\\_64.exe](https://repo.continuum.io/archive/Anaconda3-4.2.0-Windows-x86_64.exe)

**For MacOSx 64bit**

[https://repo.continuum.io/archive/Anaconda3-4.2.0-MacOSX-x86\\_64.pkg](https://repo.continuum.io/archive/Anaconda3-4.2.0-MacOSX-x86_64.pkg)

For Linux 64bit

[https://repo.continuum.io/archive/Anaconda3-4.2.0-Linux-x86\\_64.sh](https://repo.continuum.io/archive/Anaconda3-4.2.0-Linux-x86_64.sh)

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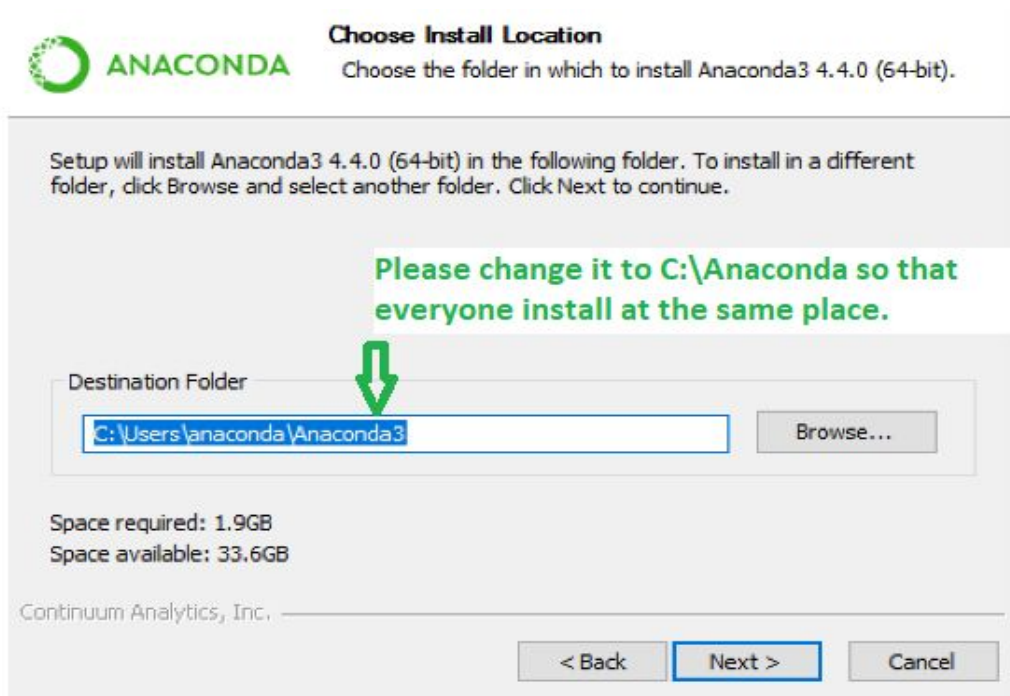
For Windows 32bit

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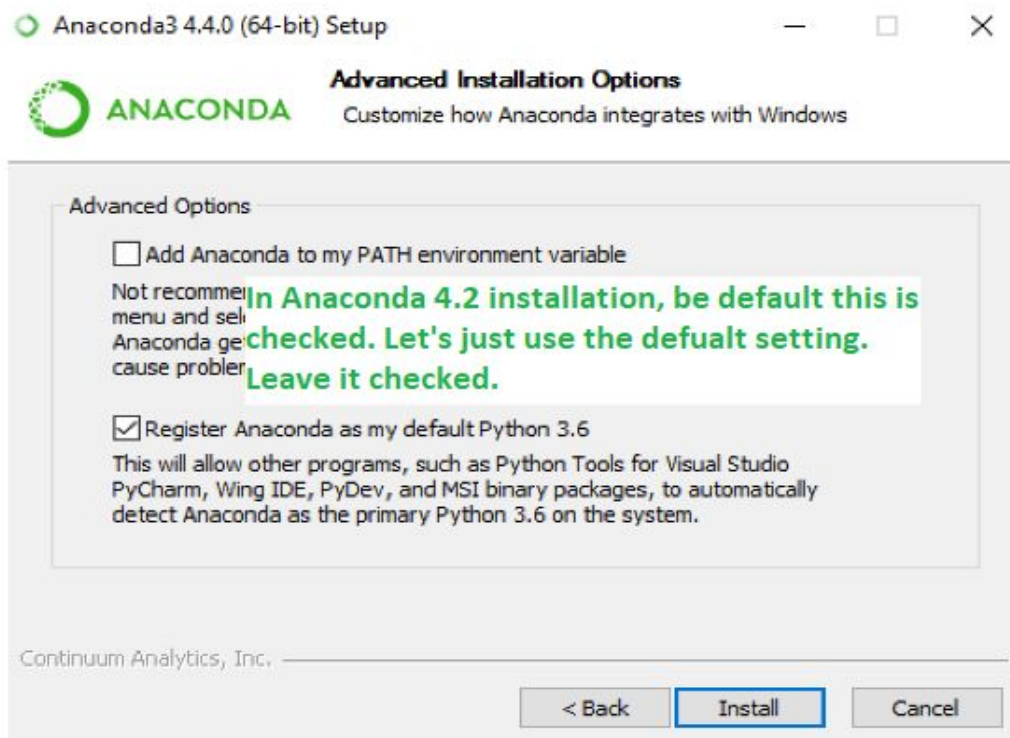
The Anaconda Archive

<https://repo.continuum.io/archive/>

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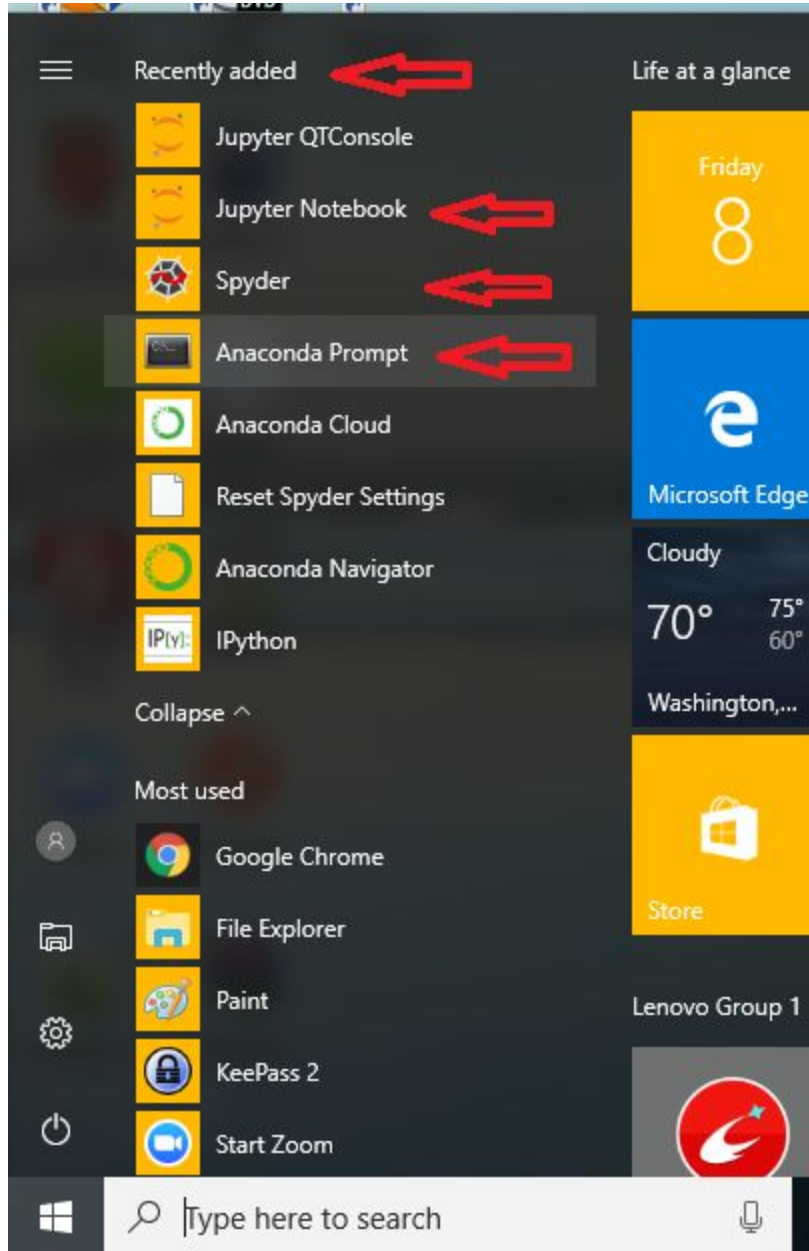


Choose whether to add Anaconda to your PATH environment variable. We recommend not adding other software. Instead, use Anaconda software by opening Anaconda Navigator or the Anaconda



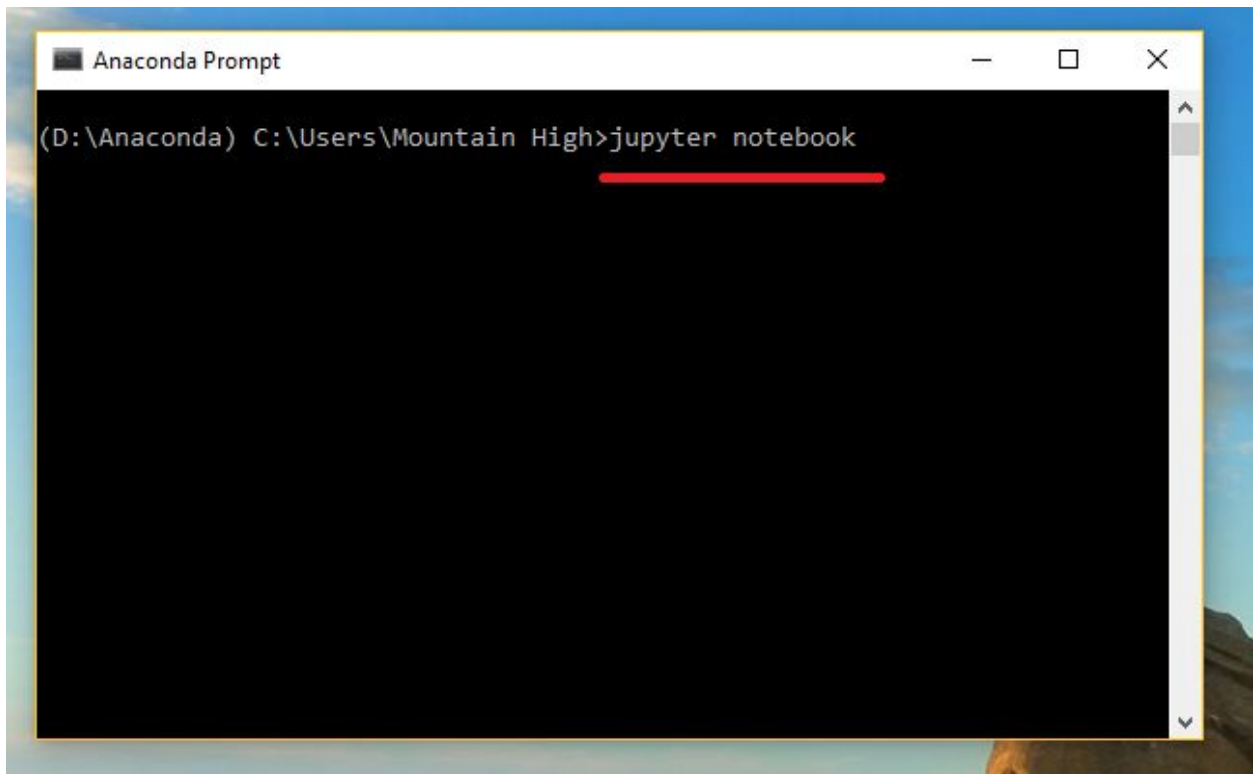
# Start Anaconda Prompt and Jupyter Notebook

Take Windows 10 as an example:



Either you can start the Jupyter Notebook directly from windows start menu directly, Or

Start an “Anaconda Prompt” first, then in the Anaconda console, input command “jupyter notebook”

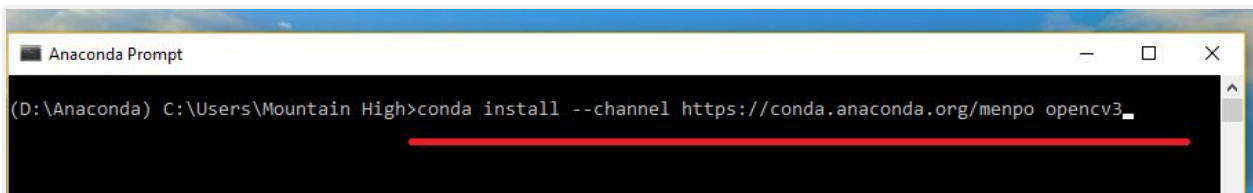


## Optional: Install opencv 3

This is optional. If you want to run the small Python program for face detection we demoed in the class, then you need to install a python computer vision library called "opencv".

Start an "Anaconda Prompt" first, then in the Anaconda console, input command:

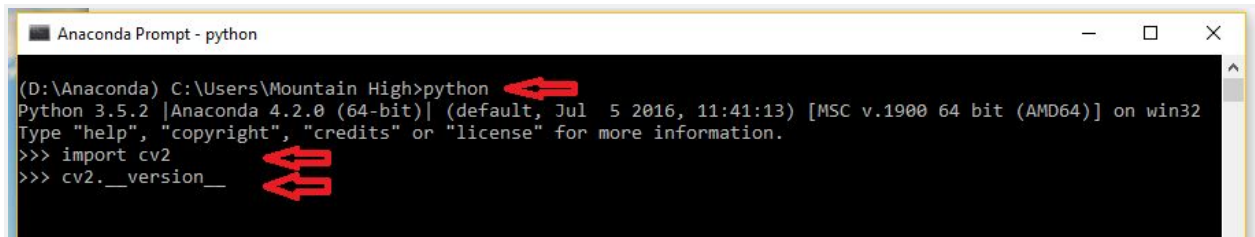
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conda install --channel https://conda.anaconda.org/menpo opencv3
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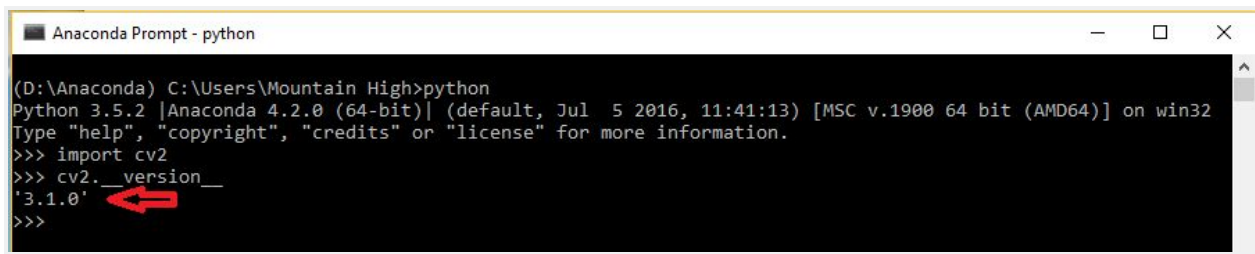
Note: you need enter y when you are asked to confirm the installation.

To verify you have installed opencv correctly, in a Anaconda Prompt window enter the following three command

- python
- `import cv2`
- `cv2.__version__`



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Anaconda Prompt - python
(D:\Anaconda) C:\Users\Mountain High>python
Python 3.5.2 |Anaconda 4.2.0 (64-bit)| (default, Jul 5 2016, 11:41:13) [MSC v.1900 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import cv2
>>> cv2.__version__
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Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import cv2
>>> cv2.__version__
'3.1.0'
>>>
```

You should see the '3.1.0' is displayed.

After you have verified the opencv has been installed successfully, press "Ctrl" and "c" buttons at the same time on your keyboard to quit Python command prompt (for Windows users).

## Download and Load the Face Detection Demo

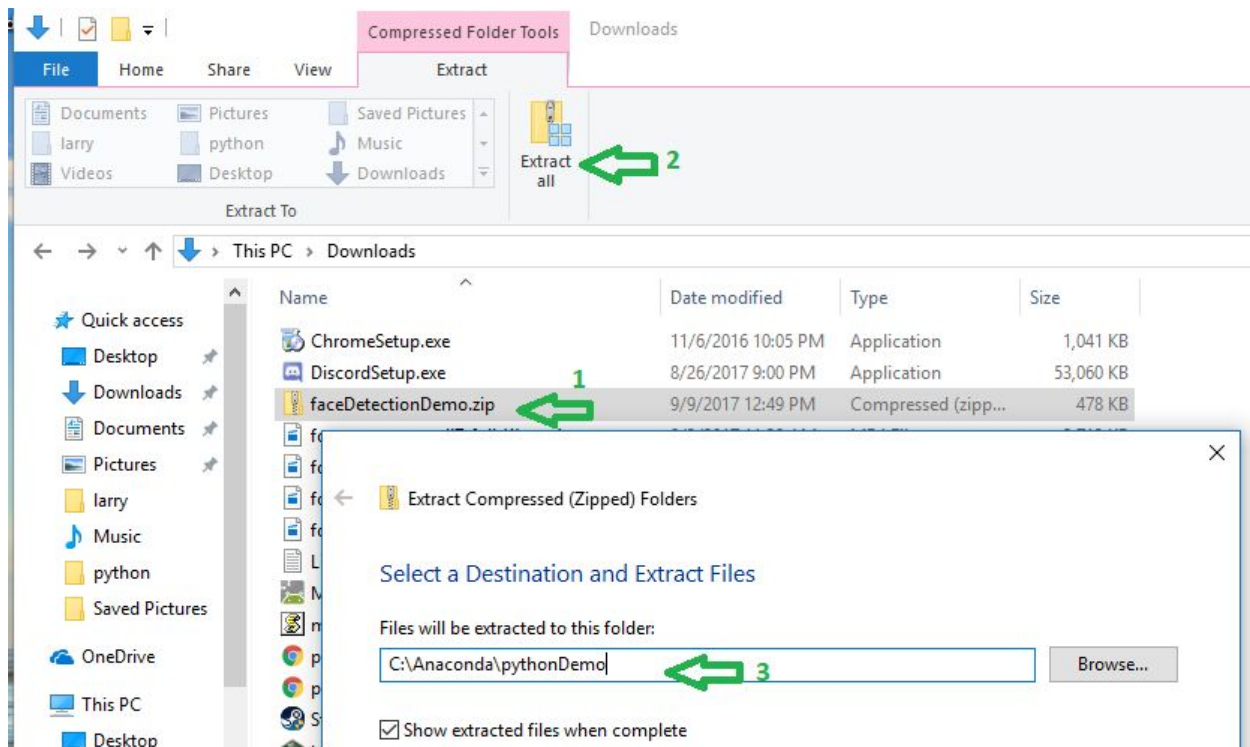
Follow the instruction on this page

<https://gtscnc.org/download/python-face-detection-demo>

## How to download and load the demo to your Jupyter Notebook?

1. Download the faceDetectionDemo.zip to your computer.

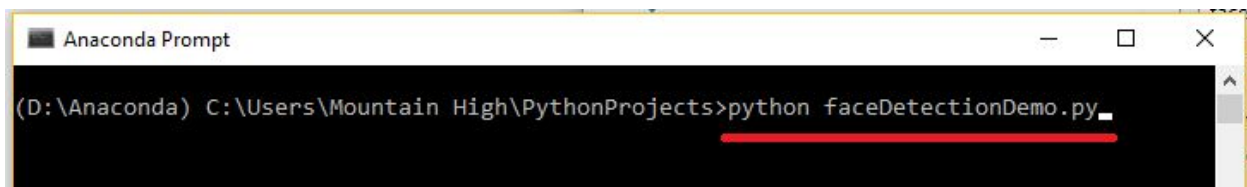
2. Unzip it to a directory that you feel comfortable to work with. It is recommended to create a new directory to hold the extracted files, for example a directory named "pythonDemo" under "C:\Anaconda\".



3. In your Jupyter Notebook file explorer, find the directory that contains the file you unzipped.
4. click the "**findMyFaces.ipynb**". The program should be able to load into your Jupyter Notebook.

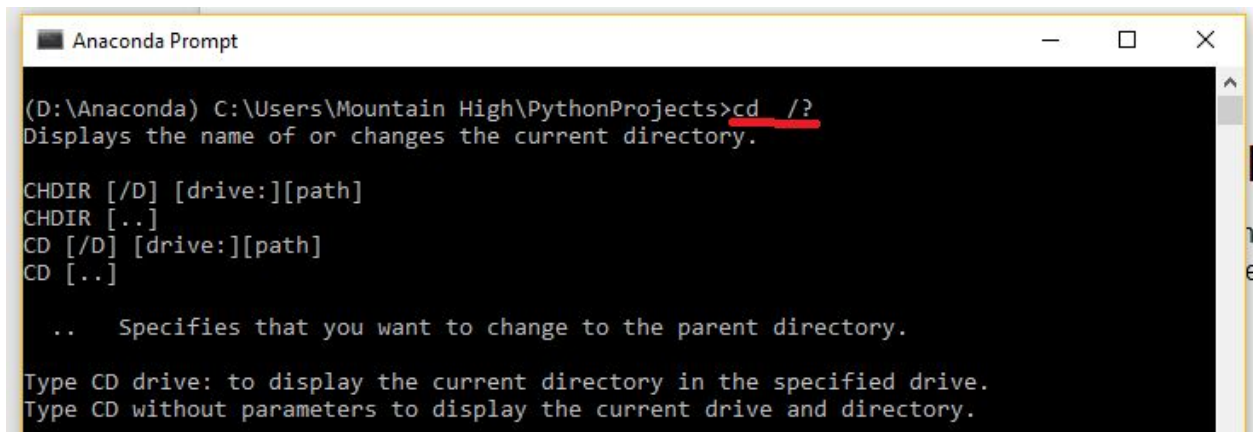
## Run the Demo Without Using Jupyter Notebook

- Open a Anaconda Prompt
- Type command `python faceDetectionDemo.py`
- To abort, hit "`Ctrl C`" in the Anaconda Prompt



## Extra Study: Commands for Anaconda Prompt

In the Anaconda Prompt, please study how to use following basic commands. You can type command name `/?` To find out the help document of the command. For example, `cd /?` will display how to use command 'cd'.

A screenshot of the Anaconda Prompt window. The title bar says "Anaconda Prompt". The command prompt shows the current directory as (D:\Anaconda) C:\Users\Mountain High\PythonProjects. The user has entered the command `cd /?`, which is highlighted with a red underline. Below the command, the help text for 'cd' is displayed: "Displays the name of or changes the current directory." followed by a list of options: `CHDIR [/D] [drive:][path]`, `CHDIR [..]`, `CD [/D] [drive:][path]`, and `CD [..]`. A description for `..` is provided: "Specifies that you want to change to the parent directory." At the bottom, it says "Type CD drive: to display the current directory in the specified drive." and "Type CD without parameters to display the current drive and directory."

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(D:\Anaconda) C:\Users\Mountain High\PythonProjects>cd /?
Displays the name of or changes the current directory.

CHDIR [/D] [drive:][path]
CHDIR [..]
CD [/D] [drive:][path]
CD [..]

.. Specifies that you want to change to the parent directory.

Type CD drive: to display the current directory in the specified drive.
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You need to know how to use the following commands:

- dir
- cd
- ren
- del
- mkdir

Trivial question: in command prompt, how to retrieve the path of current working directory (display where the current directory is)?