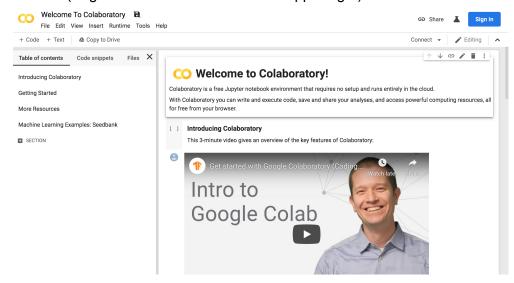
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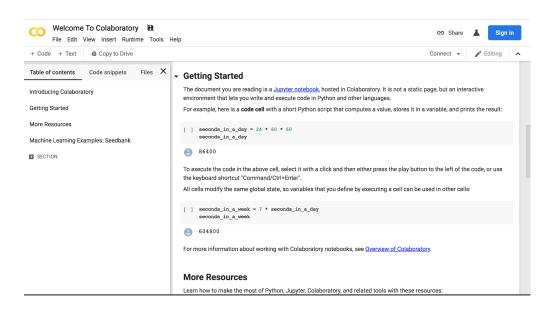
Google Colab - Getting Started

1. Setting up Google Colaboratory:

a. Visit https://colab.research.google.com and sign in with your preferred gmail account ("Sign In" is the blue button in the upper-right).



b. In "Getting Started", click on and run the `seconds_in_a_day` and `seconds_in_a_week` code blocks to make sure code is executing properly.



c. Feel free to check out "More Resources" if you want to learn more about Colaboratory.

2. Running "Colab getting started.ipynb" notebook:

a. Open the "Colab_getting_started.ipynb" notebook

b. As stated in the notebook itself, before starting work,

Click in the upper-left: File -> Save a copy in Drive...

This will start a new personal notebook file that you can save and edit. If you don't do this step and are only executing in "Playground Mode", your progress will not be saved!

- c. Read through and execute the code blocks in the notebook. Make sure you are able to plot an MNIST digit.
- d. Feel free to play around with the MNIST dataset for additional practice.
- e. Software-wise, that's all you need to get started!