# Infra

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# Note

The commands in this document might only run through if you use the .bashrc file provided in App. A

# 1 Baobab/Yggdrasil

• To connect to Baobab from your local machine, just type into a terminal:

```
eval $(ssh-agent)
ssh-add /home/imahn/.ssh/id_ed25519_unige_hpc
ssh shekhza2@login2.baobab.hpc.unige.ch
# ssh shekhza2@login1.yggdrasil.hpc.unige.ch
```

• Scp into yggdrasil:

```
scp file shekhza2@login1.yggdrasil.hpc.unige.ch:/home/users/s/shekhza2/
# scp -r folder_name shekhza2@login1.yggdrasil.hpc.unige.ch:/home/users/s/
shekhza2/
```

• To see all the machines that are occupied, just type

```
squeue
squeue -p cms-uhh # partition
squeue -u shekhza2 # user
```

Listing 1: Squeue commands

• To find out about your conda environment, just type (e.g. whether you use Anaconda2 or Anaconda3)

```
conda info
```

```
pip install ipykernel
python -m ipykernel install --user --name <environment_name> --display-name
"customStuff"
```

#### 2 Bash

• Downloading file from URL and allowing for redirects,

```
curl -Lo output.out https://url.com
```

• For this directory structure,

```
infra_upd.tex
infra_upd.log
infra_upd.aux
infra_upd.out
infra_upd.pdf
```

rename all of them via

```
for file in infra_upd.*; do mv "$file" "${file/infra_upd/infra}"; done
```

What happens is called a substring replacement.

• Appending line to file,

```
echo "this is a line" | tee -a output.out # -a: appending, important
```

• Checking whether provided string (e.g. via an argument) is empty or not (typically used within conditional statements):

```
test_sth() {
  local env_name="$1" # bash starts counting indices from 1

if [ -z "$env_name" ]; then # spacing after '[' and before ']' needed
  echo "The string is empty."
  return 1 # return value of 1 indicates error
  fi
}
```

Listing 2: Check (e.g. in if-clause) whether string is empty or not

• For retrieving all but the first argument,

```
test_sth(){
shift

echo "all provided args (except the first): $@"
}
```

• And of course there is nothing stopping us from doing this  $N \geq 1$ -times ... Pseudocode:

```
test_sth(){
shift
...
shift

echo "all provided args (except the first N): $@"
}
```

If N arguments are not provided, this is **not** a problem, the code will still run through.

• Example for an alias:

```
# forward output
ts(){
test_sth "$0"
}
```

• Finding out the size of a file or directory,

```
du -hs <path_to_file_or_dir> # du -hs file.ext

# for shorter summary (single quotation strings required)
du -hs <path_to_file_or_dir> | awk '{print $1}'
```

• When you want to create a new directory and you want all parent directories to be created as well (assuming they don't already exist), do

```
mkdir -p <dir>
```

The -p option is safe, since if the directory is already existent, no error will be outputted

• Searching for all files with a specific extension, e.g. .ext:

```
find . -name "*.ext"
    # find . -name "*.png"
```

Note that this can be nicely combined with *grep*.

- In Bash, using [[]] instead of [] is preferred, since [[]] is safer and more capable within Bash scripts. Also, within [] (where word splitting and filename expansion do occur), it's good practice to double-quote your variables. But it's safe to omit the double-quotes for e.g. \$# within [[]].
- Unzipping a file via the CLI,

```
unzip /path/to/file.zip -d /path/to/destination
```

• Opening a file and automatically scrolling to the bottom,

```
less +G /path/to/file.ext
```

• Comparing the contents of two directories,

```
diff -r --color directory1 directory2 # '-r' for recursive comparison
diff -rq --color directory1 directory2 # '-q' suppresses the output of
differences and only shows which files differ
```

Ignoring files only existent in one of the directories (which treats absent files as empty),

```
diff -rq --color --unidirectional-new-file directory1 directory2
```

### 3 Linux

• Under Ubuntu, listing all available kernels,

```
dpkg --list | grep linux-image
```

Listing 3: Find kernel versions in Ubuntu

Finding the currently active kernel version,

```
uname -a
```

Listing 4: Current kerel versions in Ubuntu

The -a option stands for appending, otherwise tee overwrites output.out (if existent).

- Better colors in CLI:
  - 1. Use monokai color scheme, i.e. dark gray background (#272822) with light peach color for the text (#F8F8F2)
  - 2. File paths are still displayed in blue, which is suboptimal, to change the color to the better readable cyan-blue color, click on the three horizontal lines in the CLI, then on **Preferences**, then choose the currently active color, switch to the **Colors** tab, then go to **Palette**, click on the blue color & instead use the color #66D9EF

where -h stands for human readability and -s for summarizing.

• Retrieving the number of available CPU resources,

```
echo "$(nproc)"
```

- It is possible to use colored outputs in Bash. Check the bash function  $str\_diff$  in App. A. (Note that the -e option is mandatory to enable interpretation of the backslash escapes).
- Print day and time from CLI,

```
echo "$(date +%d_%m_%y-%H_%M_%S)"

# echo "$(date +%dp%mp%y-%Hp%Mp%S)"
```

• Seeing the resource consumption,

```
1 htop
```

• If you did an sshfs and the connection hung up, kill the connection via

```
fusermount -zu /path/to/dir
```

# 3.1 Opening Programs from CLI

• Opening the settings from CLI,

```
gnome-control-center
```

• Opening VSCode from CLI:

```
code path_to_file_name.ext
```

If a VSCode editor is already open, use the -n flag to open the file in a new editor:

code -n path\_to\_file/file\_name.ext

A folder can also be opened directly:

code path\_to\_dir

Listing 5: Opening VSCode dir from CLI

• Opening LibreOffice from CLI:

libreoffice --writer path\_to\_dir/filename.odt

• Opening an image via the CLI:

eog /path/to/your/image.jpg

#### 4 Anaconda

#### 4.1 Installation of Environments

• Installing conda with specific python version,

```
# only 'myenv' needs to be specified (quotation marks necessary)
env_name="myenv" && conda create -n "$env_name" python=3.11.3 -y && conda
activate "$env_name"
```

As of Oct 16, I wouldn't recommend installing python 3.12.0 yet (I got a lot of unmet dependency problems when trying to install torch 2.1 with NVIDIA Cuda version 11.8 afterwards).

• Installation of conda environment from bash file:

```
conda deactivate # go into base environment
source conda/filename.sh
touch .env
```

• Completely remove conda environment,

```
conda deactivate && conda remove -n custom-env-name --all -y
```

#### 4.2 Export

• Exporting an yml-file to share with others for reproducibility,

```
conda env export > environment.yml
```

At the end of the file, there will be a line starting with "Prefix:", you can safely delete it, for details see here

# 4.3 Installation & Removal of Packages

• Installation of packages from *pyproject.toml* file,

```
pip install -e .
```

• Installing specific conda package version:

```
conda install -c conda-forge custom-pkg-name -y
# conda install -c conda-forge cloudpathlib=0.15.1 -y
```

• Removing list of packages from conda environment:

```
conda remove -n custom-env-name pkg1 pkg2 ... pkgN -y
# conda remove -n google_jax matplotlib -y
```

# 4.4 Usage in VSCode

- Selecting a conda environment in VSCode, do Ctrl + Shift + P and type *Python: select interpreter*.
- Stepping into external code with Python debugger: https://stackoverflow.com/questions/53594900/visual-studio-code-python-debugging-step-into-the-code-of-external-function

- Creating a JSON file, here some instructions: https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/python/debugging
- Listing all installed environments,

```
conda env list
```

# 4.5 PyTorch

• Checking whether gpu version of PyTorch is installed, from python shell (for this, activate the right conda env first!):

```
import os

import torch

if __name__ == "__main__":
    os.path.dirname(torch.__file__)
```

Afterwards, do

```
ls -larht <path_from_prev_alg> | grep -E "cuda"
```

• If you had installed PyTorch via conda instead of pip, then this is easier, where the -E means we are searching for extended regular expressions (again activate the right conda env first!):

```
conda list | grep -E "torch|pytorch"

# or 'conda list | grep -E "torch|pytorch"'
```

# 5 CUDA

- When you need to find out the CUDA version installed, install *nvidia-cuda-toolkit*, but do NOT reboot. After its use, immediately remove this package and any package installed alongside with it!
- In case NVIDIA drivers do not allow for boot into Ubuntu (e.g. because you did not uninstall the *nvidia-cuda-toolkit* package):
  - 1. Boot into an older kernel version of Linux (in order to get there, do a "hard" reboot, and then go into "Advanced options for Ubuntu", and choose an older kernel version).
  - 2. Once booted into the older kernel version, I removed 'nvidia-cuda-toolkit' and rebooted.
  - 3. After a few more hard reboots and booting into the older kenel version, at some point, the newer kernel version was picked up and worker again.
  - 4. Now to fix the monitors (because dual-monitor setup didn't work), I had to open the program "Additional Drivers" and change the driver from the open-source version to an NVIDIA proprietary one.
  - 5. Then I had to install CUDA according to https://docs.nvidia.com/cuda/cuda-installation-index.html again.
  - 6. For PyTorch to recognize the GPU, I had to reboot.

# 6 Docker

#### 6.1 Installation

- Follow this great tutorial by DigitalOcean.
- To use NVIDIA GPUs (both in PyTorch & Jax), install the NVIDIA Container Toolkit
- Once done with the installation of the NVIDIA Container Toolkit, proceed with the configuration. During the configuration, it will be necessary to restart the docker daemon, which you can achieve as follows:

```
sudo systemctl restart docker
```

#### 6.2 Basics

• Interactive start of containers:

```
d ps -a # find out ID (also docker container name)
d start -i ID
```

• Copying files from local system to docker container and vice versa; **run both commands from local CLI** 

```
d cp file_name container_ID:/target_dir # local -> docker
d cp container_ID:/file_name dir_name # docker -> local
```

#### 6.3 Dockerfile

• When you find the command for pulling a docker image on https://hub.docker.com, e.g.

```
d pull ubuntu:jammy-20231004
```

then in the Dockerfile, just write

```
FROM ubuntu:jammy-20231004
```

When no tag is specified, by default the *latest* one will be taken. However, using the *latest* tag can potentially cause issues with reproducibility and consistency, because you might pull a different version of the image at different times without knowing it if the latest tag gets updated. For more predictable builds, it is advised to use a specific version tag.

• Note that the structure of the docker pull command is

```
d pull [OPTIONS] NAME[:TAG|@DIGEST]
```

In general, the *NAME* is in the format *repository/image*. If *repository* is not specified, Docker assumes the image is located in the default DockerHub library repository. However, many images (like PyTorch) are hosted under a specific user or organization's namespace on DockerHub, rather than the top-level library. That's why the command for the docker pull (for the latest tag) reads

```
d pull pytorch/pytorch
```

- If using a Docker image like *pytorch/pytorch:latest*, conda is already installed. In this case, the default environment is named *base*, which is a common practice in Docker images with conda unless otherwise stated.
- Copying local scripts into docker container,

```
COPY relative/path/to/script.py .
```

From the documentation:

Multiple (src) resources may be specified but the paths of files and directories will be interpreted as relative to the source of the context of the build.

It is also important to put the . at the end, since it represents the destination in the Docker image where the file should be copied. The dot . refers to the current working directory inside the Docker image, which is determined by the WORKDIR command in the Dockerfile. If WORKDIR is not set, it defaults to the root directory (/) of the image.

Also, each time the script relative/path/to/script.py changes, the Dockerfile needs to be rebuilt – however, a cached version will be used, which speeds things up.

• Copying local dirs into docker container,

```
COPY relative/path/to/dir/ .
```

• Running a Dockerfile:

```
d build -f file_name -t img_name .

d build -f file_name -t img_name:tag_name . # tag name optional, but recommended, e.g. 1.0 (no quotes required)

# d build -f file_name --no-cache -t [...] # forcing to rebuild from scratch, no cached version is used (only do if really required)
```

where  $Image\_name$  will be the name of the newly created image,  $Tag\_name$  the tag name and  $file\_name$  the name of the docker file.

• Via

```
EXPOSE custom-port-number
# EXPOSE 80
```

it is possible to expose a port. Note that port exposure is related to network access. Note that even though network access might not be needed, there is still no harm in exposing a port (since an exposure of the port does not make the docker container more vulnerable).

# 6.4 Docker images

• A Dockerfile does not necessarily need to have the name *Dockerfile*. To pass another name when building the img, do

```
d build -f custom_docker_file .
```

The . specifies the context of the build, which is the current directory in this case. I would recommend running this command from the same dir in which <code>custom\_docker\_file</code> is located.

• Check all available Docker images via

```
d images
```

• Cleaning up dangling docker images (these are the entries with  $\langle none \rangle$  in the repository or tag name in the output of the previous algo):

```
d image prune -f
```

• Removing a Docker image – only do this when finished with using the image

```
d image rm Image_name:Tag

# d container rm <container_id> # in case some containers are using the image
```

#### 6.5 Docker containers

#### **6.5.1** Basics

• Running Docker images – without being able to utilize NVIDIA GPUs:

```
d run -it img_name # if 'tag_name' was not provided
d run -it img_name:tag_name # if 'tag_name' was provided during build (
recommended)
```

• Running Docker images & utilizing GPUs:

```
d run --gpus all -it img_name
d run --gpus all -it img_name:tag_name # recommended
```

• To mount a local file to the container at runtime, do

```
d run -v /absolute/path/to/script.py:/path/to/workdir/script.py --gpus all
-it img_name
d run -v /absolute/path/to/script.py:/path/to/workdir/script.py --gpus all
-it img_name:tag_name # recommended, provide 'img_name' & 'tag_name'
```

The mounting expects **absolute** file paths on the side of the host machine.

 Note that you can include the bash command pwd to avoid having to manually pass absolute paths for the mounting

```
d run -v $(pwd)/script.py:/path/to/workdir/script.py --gpus all -it img_name:tag_name # recommended, provide 'img_name' & 'tag_name'
```

If you need the container to reflect changes made to the scripts on the host without rebuilding the image every time, you would use the -v flag to mount the directory. If the scripts won't change, or you don't need to reflect changes in real-time, you don't need to mount the directory, as the necessary scripts have already been copied into the image during the build process.

• It is also possible to directly mount directories:

```
d run -v $(pwd)/dir_path:/path/to/workdir --gpus all -it img_name:tag_name
```

Note that the specified directory from the host is mounted into the container at the specified mount point. If there are any existing files or directories in the container at the mount point, they become obscured by the mount.

- In several cases it can be useful to remove the docker container right after execution: When you...
  - ... are running many short-lived containers, like during development or testing,
  - ... want to avoid manual cleanup of stopped containers later on,
  - ... are running containers for one-off tasks that do not need to persist any state after they are finished.

In this case,

```
d run --rm -v $(pwd)/dir_path:/path/to/workdir --gpus all -it img_name: tag_name
```

• It is also possible to mount two separate host directories to two separate directories within the container,

```
d run --rm -v $(pwd)/dir_path1:/path/to/workdir1 -v $(pwd)/dir_path2:/path
   /to/workdir2 --gpus all -it img_name:tag_name
```

This will not cause any overwriting as each -v flag creates a unique mount point inside the container.

• Finding out the python version of the Docker image

```
d run -it --rm img_name:tag_name python3 --version
```

This command will immediately remove the container after execution.

#### 6.5.2 Passing Arguments

It is possible to pass arguments when running a docker container.

1. Assuming you have a bash script run\_scripts.sh, in which a Python script, e.g.

```
#!/bin/sh
isort /app/scripts/*.py
black /app/scripts/*.py

python3 -B /app/scripts/test_script.py
python3 -B /app/scripts/test_anil.py
```

Modify this bash script s.t. any arguments passed to the CLI when running the docker container are picked up,

```
python3 -B /app/scripts/test_anil.py "$@"

# python3 -B /app/scripts/test_script.py "$@" # alternative
```

- 2. Rebuild (!) the docker image.
- 3. Now run the docker container as follows:

```
d run --rm -v $(pwd)/dir_path:/path/to/workdir --gpus all -it img_name:
    tag_name arg1 arg2

# d run --rm -v $(pwd)/dir_path:/path/to/workdir --gpus all -it img_name:
    tag_name --n_ways 1 --k_shots 1 # example
```

#### 6.5.3 Listing & Stopping

• Listing all running containers,

```
d ps
```

Listing only the container ID (of all running containers),

```
d ps -q
```

• Stopping a running container,

```
d stop container-ID
```

• Stopping a running container and removing it,

```
d stop container-ID && d rm container-ID
```

# 6.6 Pushing to DockerHub & HPC

1. First login to Docker via

```
d login -u user_name -p password
```

- 2. Then follow the instructions from this tutorial (from minute 17:05 on)
- 3. And then follow the HPC tutorial from UNIGE

# 7 Python

#### 7.1 Config File & JSON Files

• When using argparse in combination with a JSON configuration file, the JSON keys need to match the long option names specified in *parser.add\_argument* method calls. The argparse module itself does not automatically recognize abbreviated forms from a JSON file.

# 7.2 Jupyter Notebooks

• Converting jupyter notebooks into PDFs:

```
for nb in /path/one/Notebook1.ipynb /path/two/Notebook2.ipynb [...]

do

jupyter nbconvert --to pdf "$nb"

done
```

If you have several notebooks in the same directory,

```
for nb in *.ipynb
do
jupyter nbconvert --to pdf "$nb"
done
```

# 7.3 Map (Built-In Function)

• Function signature:

```
map(function, iterable, *iterables)
```

Description provided in the documentation:

Return an iterator that applies function to every item of iterable, yielding the results. If additional iterables arguments are passed, function must take that many arguments and is applied to the items from all iterables in parallel. With multiple iterables, the iterator stops when the shortest iterable is exhausted. For cases where the function inputs are already arranged into argument tuples, see *itertools.starmap()*.

• Example usage: Natively multiplying Python lists elementwise,

```
from typing import List

def multiply(x: List, y: List):
    return x * y

list_one = [i for i in range(1000)]

list_two = [j for j in range(1000, 2000)]

result = list(map(multiply, list_one, list_two)) # 'map' is a built-in function, do not use '(list_one, list_two)' in this case
```

• Example usage: Converting NumPy arrays into PyTorch tensors,

```
a = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
tensor_list = list(map(torch.from_numpy, (a,))) # list containing tensor,
use of additional brackets necessary
```

• Example usage: Converting NumPy arrays into PyTorch tensors,

```
a = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
b = np.array([5, 6, 7, 8])
a, b = map(torch.from_numpy, (a, b)) # tuple unpacking
```

# 7.4 PyTorch

#### 7.4.1 Leaf Tensors

If requires\_grad is False, then the created leaf tensor will be leaf by convention. If requires\_grad is True, then the tensor will be leaf if it was created directly by the user and is **not** the result of an operation.

#### 8 AWS S3

### 8.1 Installation & Configuration

- 1. Installation instructions: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/getting-started-html#getting-started-install-instructions
- 2. The CLI will display the path under which the aws package was installed, but it might be sufficient to simply run

```
aws
```

Double check by running

```
which aws
```

3. After installation, configuration is necessary. For this run

```
aws configure
```

You can leave these fields empty:

```
Default region name [None]:
Default output format [None]:
```

A configuration file will be saved under

```
\sim/.aws/credentials
```

4. In the case you are a member of UNIGE, you can obtain the AWS access key ID and the secret access key as follows:

```
echo -n "$user_name" | base64 # the '-n' is important in this context
echo -n "$passwd" | md5sum
```

where \$user\_name and \$passwd need to be provided

Otherwise, you need login to the AWS Management Console.

5. To test the configuration was successful, do this:

```
aws s3 ls --endpoint-url https://your-custom-s3-endpoint.com
```

where you replace the endpoint-url https://your-custom-s3-endpoint.com with yours.

# 8.2 AWS Credentials (Profiles)

- It is possible to use several profiles in the file  $\sim$ /.aws/credentials.
- For example:

```
[default]
aws_access_key_id = YOUR_DEFAULT_ACCESS_KEY
aws_secret_access_key = YOUR_DEFAULT_SECRET_KEY

[profile1]
aws_access_key_id = ANOTHER_ACCESS_KEY_ID
aws_secret_access_key = ANOTHER_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY
```

```
[profile2]
aws_access_key_id = YET_ANOTHER_ACCESS_KEY_ID
aws_secret_access_key = YET_ANOTHER_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY
```

To use a specific profile when running  $aws\ cli$  commands, you can use the -profile option in the command:

```
aws s3 --profile profile1 [...]
# aws s3 --profile default [...]
```

#### 8.3 Buckets

One can have several buckets.

#### 8.3.1 Creation

• To create a new bucket:

```
aws s3api create-bucket --bucket custom-bucket-name --endpoint-url https://custom-s3-endpoint.com --profile default
```

#### 8.3.2 Listings

• Directly showing the file contents of an s3 bucket,

```
aws s3 ls s3://custom-bucket-name --recursive --endpoint-url https://custom-s3-endpoint.com --profile default # '--recursive' optional
```

#### 8.3.3 File Copying

• Local machine  $\longrightarrow$  S3:

```
aws s3 cp path/to/custom_file.ext s3://custom-bucket-name/path/to/
    custom_file.ext --endpoint-url https://custom-s3-endpoint.com --profile
    default
```

• S3  $\longrightarrow$  local machine:

```
aws s3 cp s3://custom-bucket-name/path/to/s3_file.ext custom/destination -- endpoint-url https://custom-s3-endpoint.com --profile default
```

#### 8.3.4 Directory Copying

• Local machine  $\longrightarrow$  S3:

```
aws s3 sync path/to/dir s3://custom-bucket-name/path/to --endpoint-url https://custom-s3-endpoint.com --profile default
```

#### 8.3.5 Folder/File Deletion

• Deleting a folder (which is essentially a prefix in S3) and its contents in an S3 bucket,

```
aws s3 rm s3://your-bucket-name/path-to-your-folder --recursive --endpoint-url https://custom-s3-endpoint.com --profile default
```

• Deleting a file,

```
aws s3 rm s3://your-bucket-name/path-to-your-file.out --recursive --
endpoint-url https://custom-s3-endpoint.com --profile default
```

# 8.4 Cloudpathlib

• When you use the cloudpathlib module, and you want to specify a profile, do this:

```
from cloudpathlib import S3Path, S3Client

# Create an S3 client with a specific AWS profile
s3_client = S3Client(
aws_access_key_id=aws_access_key_id,
aws_secret_access_key=aws_secret_access_key,
endpoint_url=endpoint_url,
profile_name="profile1", # specify profile here

# Make 'client' default:
client.set_as_default_client()
```

#### 9 Git

### 9.1 Cloning

• Cloning a repository via *sshfs* and adjusting the folder name,

```
git clone <ssh_url> <folder_name>

# git clone <https_path> <folder_name>
```

• After moving into the ¡folder name; via cd, do

```
git switch <desired_branch>
```

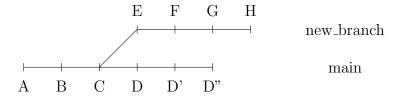
#### 9.2 Remote Branch

Creating a local branch and then pushing it remotely,

```
git push origin <local-branch>
git push origin code-dev
```

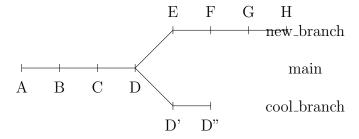
# 9.3 Merging

• Assuming the following commit-history is given,



when merging main and new\_branch, the two branches will be either auto-merged or there will be a merge conflict.

• Assuming the following commit history is given,



- After merging main with new\_feature, which happens via a fast-forward, you can delete it. New commit structure:
- A B C D E F G H branch ; main;
- Merging new feature into master, do

```
git switch main
git merge <new_feature>
```

#### 9.4 Merge Conflicts

To resolve a merge conflict, type

```
git mergetool
```

Afterwards, confirm with Enter that you want to use vimdiff as default editing tool. The vimdiff display will now resemble the following structure:

```
| LOCAL | BASE | REMOTE |
| MERGED
```

If the file has not already existed in BASE, then we need this view:

```
| LOCAL | MERGED | REMOTE |
| LOCAL -- Current branch
| BASE -- Common ancestor (how did the file look like before both changes?)
| REMOTE -- File that I am merging into the current branch
| MERGED -- Merge result
```

It is probably easiest to take the merged view and edit it directly. In the vim editor, an entire line can be deleted by pressing D (no control before!). If I instead wanted the changes from either LOCAL, BASE or REMOTE, you have to do one of these,

```
:diffg LO
:diffg BA
:diffg LO
```

Of course, the merged view can also be edited directly. Regardless of the chosen method, type

```
ı :wqa
```

into vim. Afterwards, do not forget to commit and push. And if you want, do

```
git clean -f
```

Locally restore file

```
git restore --source <commit SHA> file
git restore --source HEAD file
```

qit restore does not overwrite HEAD, though. For that, a push would be necessary.

It can sometimes also be useful to run dry merges to proactively check for conflicts during a merge; for this, run

```
git merge --no-commit --no-ff <branch_name>
```

Afterwards, type

```
git merge --abort
```

to abort, and no changes will occur.

If you only want to do a fast-forward, do

```
git merge <branch_to_be_merged> --ff-only
```

# 9.5 Checking History

• Viewing the history of commits,

```
git log
```

• Viewing a specific file,

```
git show <commit-hash>:<file-name>

# git show 123abc:example.txt
```

# 9.6 Removing a File/Folder

• To remove a file/folder that is already tracked, adding it to .gitignore won't remove it (though this also needs to happen). For this, do:

```
git rm --cached <file>
git rm -r --cached <folder>
```

• Adding the file/folder to *.gitignore* is still a good idea, though, since the file/dir won't be removed locally with the commands.

# 9.7 Renaming a Repository

- 1. Rename the repository remotely first (by going to your repository's URL),
- 2. then go to the locally cloned version of the repository and do

```
git remote set-url origin <new-url>
# git remote set-url origin https://github.com/username/new-repo-name.git
```

3. and finally

```
git remote -v
```

which lists the remote names and their URLs.

#### 9.8 Restore File

Resetting specific file to state of previous commit,

```
git restore --source=<commit-hash> <file-path>
git restore --source=HEAD <file_path>
```

Replace (commit-hash) with the commit SHA and (file-path) with the path to the file. This change is local and you would need to commit it if you want it to be reflected in the repository history.

#### 9.9 Delete Branches

• Local git branch,

```
git branch -d <branch_name>
# git branch -d testing
```

Regardless of merge status,

```
git branch -D <branch_name>
# git branch -D testing
```

• Remote branch,

```
git push origin --delete <branch_name>
# git push origin --delete testing
```

# 9.10 List Branches

Listing all local and remote branches,

git branch -a

# 10 Remote Development

#### 10.1 Connection

- 1. When connecting two machines remotely, install this extension on local machine (also directly in VSCode possible),
- 2. open VSCode on local machine,
- 3. press F1-button, choose "Remote-SSH: Connect to Host..." and type for the SSH host (optionally save it in the SSH config file) the same as in Algo. (B),
- 4. enter the passwd for the remote SSH host.

### 10.2 Troubleshooting

• If you find you are getting a permission error for saving a file on the remote machine (in VSCode when doing the local coding), try

sudo chown custom-username path/to/custom/script.ext

The *custom-username* here refers to the username on the remote machine.

### 11 Jax

Try to install via pip first. Only if this doesn't work use conda!

• To put a Jax array onto a specific device, use this:

```
import jax
from jax import devices, device_put, numpy as jnp

x = device_put(jnp.arange(10), device=devices("cpu")[0]) # NOTE: put '[0]'

x = device_put(jnp.arange(10), device=devices("gpu")[0]) # NOTE: put
    '[0]'
print(f"Device: {x.device_buffer.device()}")
```

Listing 6: Device specification in Jax

• Specifying the dtype of an array:

```
x = jnp.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=jnp.float32)
print(f"Dtype: {x.dtype}")
```

Listing 7: Jax device retrieval

• To find out the device of a Jax array, use this:

```
x.device_buffer.device() # x: Jay array
```

Listing 8: Jax device retrieval

• To make a Jax array out of a Python list or a Numpy array (do not use for tensors):

```
from jax import numpy as jnp

a = jnp.array([1., 2., 3.])
b = jnp.array(np.array([1., 2., 3.]))
```

Listing 9: Jax array creation

• jit (just-in-time compilation): sets up a function with XLA (extended linear algebra): check out the NB test\_\_jit-compil.ipynb. To use jit, do this:

```
import jax
from jax import numpy as jnp

@jax.jit
def selu(x: jnp.array, lamb: float = 1., alpha: float = 0.):
return lamb * jnp.where(x > 0, x, alpha * (jnp.exp(x) - 1.0))
```

Listing 10: Jax array

### A .bashrc

```
ca() {
     local conda_out="$(conda env list | grep -E "$env_name" | head -n 1 | awk '{
        print $1}')"
     # check non-emptiness
     if [ -z "$1" ]; then
      echo "Usage: ca <env_name>"
6
      return 1
     fi
     # check env existence
     if [ ! -z "$conda_out" ]; then
      conda activate "$1"
12
     else
13
      echo "Conda environment '$env_name' does not exist." # single quotes (')
14
         only for display
      return 1
     fi
17
    }
18
19
    # ----- CONDA -----
20
    # activate conda environment
    # usage: 'ca custom-env-name'
    ca() {
     conda activate "$0"
    }
26
27
    # deactivate currently activated conda environment
    cod() {
     conda deactivate
    }
31
32
    # List all available conda envs:
33
    cel() {
     conda env list
37
    # remove conda environment
    # usage: 'crme ant-migrate-dev'
39
    crme() {
40
41
     # check number of passed arguments via '$#'
     if [[ $# -ne 1 ]]; then
      echo "NOTE: Exactly one argument needs to be provided"
     else
45
      conda deactivate && conda remove -n "$1" --all -y
     fi
47
48
```

```
}
49
    # alias for 'conda__remove_packages'
51
    # usage (e.g.): 'crm myenv pkg1 pkg2'
    crm() {
53
     conda__remove_packages "$0"
54
    # remove conda packages from environment
    # usage (e.g.): 'conda__remove_packages myenv pkg1 pkg2'
58
    conda__remove_packages() {
59
60
     # define local variables first
61
     local env_name="$1"
62
     local conda_out="$(conda env list | grep -E "$env_name" | head -n 1 | awk '{
        print $1}')"
64
     # forget first argument (which is saved in 'env_name')
65
     shift
66
     # check non-emptiness
     if [ -z "$env_name" ]; then
      echo "Usage: conda_remove_packages <env_name> [package1] [package2] ... [
70
         packageN]"
      return 1
71
     fi
72
73
     # check env existence
     if [ ! -z "$conda_out" ]; then
      conda remove -n "$env_name" "$0" -y
      echo "Package(s) '$0' removed from environment '$env_name'"
77
     else
78
      echo "Conda environment '$env_name' does not exist." # single quotes (')
79
         only for display
      return 1
     fi
81
82
83
84
    85
    # list all local and remote branches
    1b() {
88
     git branch -a
89
90
91
    # delete remote branch
92
    1bd() {
93
     git push origin --delete "$0"
    }
95
96
    # switch branches and create if non-existent
97
```

```
lsw() {
98
      if git rev-parse --verify "$1" >/dev/null 2>&1; then
        git switch "$1"
100
      else
        git switch -c "$1"
      fi
     }
104
     # example usage: 'lsta 2' or 'lsta'
     lsta() {
107
      local stash_index=${1:-0} # Default to 0 if no argument provided
109
      # Check if the provided argument is an integer
110
      if ! [[ \$stash_index =\sim ^[0-9]+\$ ]]; then
111
       echo "The provided index is not a valid integer."
       return 1
113
      fi
114
115
      # Check if the stash index exists
      if ! git rev-parse --verify stash0{$stash_index} >/dev/null 2>&1; then
117
       echo "No stash found at index $stash_index"
       return 1
119
      fi
120
      # If all checks pass, apply the stash
      git stash apply "stash@{$stash_index}" --index
193
125
     # Forward commands to 'git stash'
     lst() {
      git stash "$0"
128
129
130
     # Stash files, if arguments are provided, they are ignored
131
     lstf() {
      git stash --include-untracked
133
     # https://stackoverflow.com/questions/19595067/git-add-commit-and-push-
136
         commands-in-one
     # https://stackoverflow.com/questions/14763608/use-conditional-in-bash-script-
137
         to-check-string-argument
     # if-else statements in bash: https://linuxhandbook.com/if-else-bash/
138
     # example usage: lgit "bit" "add ..."
139
     lpush() {
140
      git add . && git commit -a -m "$1" && git push origin $(bname) && llog
141
     }
142
143
     # https://stackoverflow.com/questions/3236871/how-to-return-a-string-value-
         from-a-bash-function
     bname() {
145
      branch=$(git branch --show-current)
146
```

```
echo $branch
147
     }
148
149
     lupd() {
      git fetch origin $(bname) && git log HEAD..origin/$(bname) --oneline
152
153
     lpull() {
155
      git pull origin $(bname)
156
     ldiff() {
158
      git status "$@" && git diff --color "$@"
159
160
161
     lforce() {
162
      git push origin $(bname) --force
163
164
165
     llog() {
166
      git log
169
     1rm() {
170
      git rm -r "$0"
171
173
     lreb() {
174
      # Set default value to 5:
175
      num1=$\{1:-5\}
      git rebase -i HEAD∼$num1
177
178
179
     # Reset entire repo to state of 'HEAD', or reset specific file to a specific
180
         commit hash.
     lres() {
181
      if [[ $# -eq 0 ]] || [[ $# -eq 1 ]]; then
182
       local commit_hash=${1:-HEAD}
183
       git reset --hard "$commit_hash"
184
      elif [ $# -eq 2 ]; then
185
       local commit_hash="$1"
       local file_path="$2"
       git restore --source="$commit_hash" "$file_path"
188
       else
189
       echo "Usage: lres [commit_hash file_path]"
190
      fi
191
     }
192
193
     lsh(){
194
      git show "$0"
195
196
197
```

```
# Usage: lmv /path/to/directory file1 file2 file3 ...
198
     lmv() {
      local target_dir=$1 # The first argument is the directory path
200
      if [[ ! -d "$target_dir" ]]; then
201
      echo "Target directory does not exist: $target_dir" >&2
202
      return 1
203
      fi
204
      # Shift the arguments so that $@ contains only the files to move
      shift
207
208
      # Now, loop through all the remaining arguments
209
      for file in "$0"; do
210
      if [[ -e $file ]]; then
211
       git mv "$file" "$target_dir"
212
       else
       echo "File does not exist: $file" >&2
214
      fi
215
      done
216
     }
217
      ----- PROTONVPN -----
219
220
     p() {
221
     protonvpn-cli "$0"
222
223
224
     225
     # pdflatex
227
     pd() {
228
      /usr/bin/pdflatex "$0"
229
230
231
     # convert input notebook to PDF
232
     jconv() {
      jupyter nbconvert --to pdf "$1"
234
235
236
     # 'less' with ANSI escape characters
237
     less() {
238
      /usr/bin/less -R "$0"
     }
240
241
     diff() {
242
      /usr/bin/diff --color "$@"
243
     }
244
245
     # overload 'shred' func, allow (recursive) shredding of dirs/files
     # multiple files/dirs can be provided, mixing allowed
247
     # usage (e.g.): 'shred 10 <file_name>'
248
     # shred <file_name>
249
```

```
# shred <dir_path>
     # shred <file_name> <dir_path>
     shred() {
252
      # check whether first argument is a number
      if [[ "$1" =\sim ^[0-9]+$ ]]; then
255
       local iterations="$1"
256
       shift
      else
       iterations=5 # default
259
      fi
260
261
      # check file/dir existences
262
      for path in "$0"; do
263
       if check_existence "$path"; then
264
       # check whether passed input is directory or not
265
        if [[ -d "$path" ]]; then
266
         echo "Files to be shredded in $path:"
267
         find "$path" -type f -print0 | xargs -0 ls -ld
268
        fi
269
       else
        echo "Error occurred in check_existence for file/dir: $path"
        return 1
272
       fi
273
      done
274
275
      # prompt user for confirmation
276
      read -rp "Do you wish to proceed with shredding all files in $@ for
          $iterations iterations? (yes/no): " confirmation
278
      if [[ $confirmation = [yY] || $confirmation = [yY][eE][sS] ]]; then
279
       for path in "$0"; do
280
        if [[ -d "$path" ]]; then
281
         # shred all files within the directory
282
         find "$path" -type f -exec /usr/bin/shred -uz -n "$iterations" {} \;
         rm -rf "$path"
         echo "All files in '$path' have been shredded for $iterations iterations."
285
        elif [[ -f "$path" ]]; then
286
         # shred the individual file
287
         /usr/bin/shred -uz -n "$iterations" "$path"
288
         echo "File '$path' has been shredded for $iterations iterations."
        fi
       done
291
      else
292
       echo "Shredding aborted."
      fi
294
     }
295
296
     # shortcut for clearing terminal output
     c() {
298
      clear
     }
300
```

```
301
     # shortcuts for exiting terminal
302
     q() {
303
     exit
304
     }
305
306
     e() {
307
      q
     }
310
     # tailscale
311
     ts() {
312
      tailscale status "$0"
313
314
315
     # xournalpp (https://github.com/xournalpp/xournalpp)
316
     xopp() {
317
     xournalpp "$0"
318
     }
319
320
     # strings comparison
321
     # usage (e.g.): 'str_diff "blub1" "blub1"' or 'str_diff blub1 blub1'
322
     # or 'str_diff $(echo "hey") $(echo "hey")'
323
     # NOTE: exactly two arguments need to be provided
324
     str_diff() {
325
326
      # check number of passed arguments via '$#'
327
      if [[ $# -ne 2 ]]; then
328
       echo "NOTE: Exactly two arguments need to be provided"
       return 1 # return non-zero exit code to indicate error
330
      else
331
332
       # compare strings
333
       if [[ $1 == $2 ]]; then
334
        echo -e "Strings '$1' and '$2' \033[92mmatch\033[0m"
335
        echo -e "Strings '$1' and '$2' do \033[91mNOT\033[0m match"
337
       fi
338
      fi
339
340
     }
341
343
     # ----- DOCKER -----
344
     d() {
345
      docker "$@"
346
     }
347
348
     # ----- CHATGPT ------
350
     # https://github.com/kardolus/chatgpt-cli/tree/main
351
     gpt(){
352
```

Listing 11: Contents of .bashrc file

# B Amazing Programs, Extensions, Plugins & Packages

- https://github.com/charmbracelet/glow
- https://github.com/0xacx/chatGPT-shell-cli
- https://github.com/kardolus/chatgpt-cli/tree/main
  - For setting the right model (cf. here for all available models),

```
chatgpt --set-model gpt-4-1106-preview --set-max-tokens 128000
```

- Usage:

```
chatgpt -i
```

- https://tailscale.com/download/
  - Once installation is complete, the command

```
sudo tailscale up
```

should be run to login, though this command will also display after installation in the CLI. The signing in should happen via GitHub. To be able to use Tailscale from a new device, it must be added as a device under https://login.tailscale.com/admin/machines. Once this is done, open a CLI and type

```
ssh name@ip_address # find out <name> and <ip_address> via tailscale console # ssh ellie@100.xx.xxx.xx
```

NOTE that if the file already exists locally, it will be overwritten.

- For file copying (e.g. from the host machine to the currently used machine), do this

```
scp name@ip_address:/path/to/remote_file.ext /local/path # find out < name> and <ip_address> via tailscale console # ssh ellie@100.xx.xxx.xx
```

For directory copying,

```
scp -r name@ip_address:/path/to/remote_dir /local/path # find out <
    name> and <ip_address> via tailscale console
# ssh ellie@100.xx.xxx.xx
```

- https://tailscale.com/kb/1080/cli/ (no separate installation necessary, only tailscale needs to be installed)
  - Finding out the IPv4 address of the currently active machine,

```
tailscale ip -4
```

- Finding out the IPv4 address of another machine connected via the Tailscale network,

```
tailscale ip -4 custom-name
# tailscale ip -4 ellie
```

- https://github.com/aws/aws-cli
- https://github.com/termcolor/termcolor

### C VSCode

#### C.1 Recommended Extensions

- https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=ms-vscode-remote.vscode-remote-ex
- https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=Gruntfuggly.todo-tree

# C.2 Open the settings.json File

- 1. press Ctrl + Shift + P to the Command Palette,
- 2. type Open User Settings (JSON) and select it to open the settings.json file.

# C.3 Fix Unresolved Python Imports

• If you run a docker container where a conda environment is installed (with packages that you do not have locally), then VSCode will show those imports as unresolved. To fix this, open the **settings.json**, cf. App. C.2, and add the following setting:

How to incorporate this into the **settings.json** file is shown in App. C.5.

• Note that if you have an SSH connection to another machine going on (e.g. in the Remote Development extension), then putting the above lines into the *settings.json* file will not have an immediate effect, for this the SSH connection needs to be restarted.

# C.4 Opening a Duplicate Workspace

- 1. press Ctrl + Shift + P to the Command Palette,
- 2. then type Workspaces: Duplicate As Workspace is New Window

#### C.5 settings.json

```
"workbench.colorTheme": "Default Dark Modern",
      "telemetry.telemetryLevel": "off",
3
      "editor.wordWrap": "wordWrapColumn",
      "editor.wordWrapColumn": 79,
      "workbench.editor.enablePreview": false,
      "gitlens.telemetry.enabled": false,
      "notebook.lineNumbers": "on",
      "explorer.confirmDragAndDrop": false,
9
      "window.zoomLevel": 1,
      "python.analysis.diagnosticSeverityOverrides": {
11
          "reportMissingImports": "none"
       },
       "todo-tree.general.tags": [
14
          "BUG",
          "HACK",
16
```

```
"FIXME",
17
           "TODO",
           "NOTE",
19
           "XXX",
20
           "[]",
21
           "[x]"
22
        ],
23
       "files.associations": {"*.log": "plaintext"},
       "[plaintext]": {"editor.wordWrap": "off"},
26
       "workbench.editor.tabSizing": "shrink"
27
      }
```

Listing 12: Contents of settings.json file

# D LibreOffice

# D.1 Dark Theme

Go to  $Tools \to Options \to LibreOffice \to Application\ Colors \to Custom\ Colors \to General \to Document\ Background\ and\ choose\ a\ dark\ color.$ 

# E UNIGE-specific

• Setting up UNIGE e-mail in TB: https://plone.unige.ch/distic/pub/messagerie/configuration/comment-configurer-compte-