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- ♥ I will be using VS Code. You can use whatever IDE you prefer. Just setup a `.venv` for it. (See <https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/python/environments> for VS Code)
  - On VS Code, I added Python extension by Microsoft, from the marketplace.
  - I am using the latest python interpreter
  - From the VS Code search bar I selected “*Show and Run Commands > Python: Create Environment...*” to add `.venv` to my *classcodes* folder.

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- ♥ Right click on `.venv/bin/activate` to open on terminal for interaction.
- ♥ Run the following commands to install on the `.venv` environment:
  - *`pip install kafka-python-ng`* [it should have been *`kafka-python`* but there is a bug with python 3.12 waiting to be fixed]
- ♥ Add a file *`kafka/my-python-client-lesson/kafka-consumer.py`*
- ♥ Add a file *`kafka/my-python-client-lesson/kafka-producer.py`*
- ♥ Add codes for test:
  - [Exercise in class]

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- 🏰 [Exercise in class]
- 🏰 1. Create *kafta/my-python-lesson* folder in your current project environment
- 🏰 2. Add *kafka-consumer.py* and *kafka-producer.py* files to the above folder.
- 🏰 [For your reference on kafka-python, see <https://kafka-python.readthedocs.io/en/master/usage.html>]

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☛ 3. In *kafka-consumer.py* file, programmatically set up consumer endpoint for your *quickstart-events* topic which you already created for illustration, as shown in the code below:

```
from kafka import KafkaConsumer
```

```
consumer = KafkaConsumer('quickstart-  
events',bootstrap_servers=['localhost:9092'],  
auto_offset_reset='earliest')
```

```
for msg in consumer:  
    print (msg.value)
```

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- ⌘ ...[Exercise in class]
- ⌘ 4. Run the above code from terminal (*python kafka-consumer.py*) and you should see all the events in the topic, printed in the console, as the code instructs.
- ⌘ 5. Also programmatically produce events with codes in *kafka-producer.py*.

```
from kafka import KafkaProducer
```

```
producer =  
KafkaProducer(bootstrap_servers=['localhost:9092'])
```

```
producer.send('quickstart-events', b'message-from-python')
```

```
for n in range(3):
```

```
    message = 'additional message {} from  
python'.format(n)
```

```
    producer.send('quickstart-events', bytearray(message,  
'utf-8'))
```

```
producer.flush() # producer.send() is asynchronous. Flush all  
messages to topic.
```

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- 🏰 ...[Exercise in class]
- 🏰 Notice that so far, for serialization and deserialization, we have only worked with strings which are serialized as *bytearrays*.
- 🏰 We can also work with other formats e.g. *json*, *msgpack* (see <https://msgpack.org/index.html>).
- 🏰 For serializing and deserializing more structured data e.g. to and from dbms, we need tools like *avro* (<https://avro.apache.org/>), *protocol buffer* (<https://protobuf.dev/>).

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- 🏰 ...[Exercise in class]
- 🏰 Let's work with *json*, *msgpack*. We will work with *avro* and perhaps *protocol buffer* later, when we have dealt with how to register the schemas, using suitable schema registry.
- 🏰 5. From console, create the topics named *json-events* and *msgpack-events* which we can use for illustration.

```
bin/kafka-topics.sh --create --topic json-events --  
bootstrap-server localhost:9092
```

```
bin/kafka-topics.sh --create --topic msgpack-events --  
bootstrap-server localhost:9092
```

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☞ 6. From your terminal with `.venv` activated, *pip install msgpack*

☞ 7. Add the following codes respectively to your python files

– *Kafka-producer.py*

- `import msgpack`
- `import json`
- `# encode objects via msgpack. See https://msgpack.org/index.html`
- `producer2 = KafkaProducer(value_serializer=msgpack.dumps)`
- `producer2.send('msgpack-events', {'msgpack_key': 'msgpack_value'})`
- `producer2.flush() # block until all async messages are sent`
- `# produce json messages`
- `producer3 = KafkaProducer(value_serializer=lambda m: json.dumps(m).encode('ascii'))`
- `producer3.send('json-events', {'json_key': 'json_value'})`
- `producer3.flush() # block until all async messages are sent`



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☞ 8. Each consumer needs its own process. Create files for each of json and msgpack and add the respective codes

– **kafka-consumer-json.py**

```
import json
from kafka import KafkaConsumer

consumer = KafkaConsumer('json-events', value_deserializer=lambda m:
    json.loads(m.decode('ascii')), auto_offset_reset='earliest')
for msg in consumer:
    print (msg.value)
```

– **kafka-consumer-msgpack.py**

```
import msgpack
from kafka import KafkaConsumer

consumer = KafkaConsumer('msgpack-events',
    value_deserializer=msgpack.unpackb, auto_offset_reset='earliest')
for msg in consumer:
    print (msg.value)
```

☞ 9. Exercise: Run each of the above in separate terminals to see the events displayed. Take snapshots and send to me via eLearning portal

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- Use cases discussion up to this point.
  - Consume, transform and send to another topic
  - Consume, transform and send to DBMS
  - Custom Application Process generate and produce to queue
  - ...