

Installing NUCAPS in SHARPpy

Quick Guide





Install Pre-requisites

You will need Python 3 to run SHARPpy. For instructions, visit the following websites:

https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual for instructions on how to set-up Python.

You will need run a few simple commands in a command line program:

- Linux/MacOS: Open the **Terminal** application.
- Windows: Open the **Anaconda Prompt** applications.

Install the Baseline Version of SHARPpy

You can now install the baseline version of SHARPpy which contains NUCAPS satellite soundings. Open the command line for your operating system (see above) to perform these steps.

> git clone https://github.com/sharppy/SHARPpy.git

Change your directory to where you have downloaded SHARPpy (e.g. /home/<user>/SHARPpy).

> cd /home/<user>/SHARPpy

Next, we to create an isolated Anaconda environment just for running SHARPpy with all the necessary libraries (using conda env create <options>; it may take several minutes to install the libraries). If you are interested, you can open the environment.yml file to see which libraries are used.

> conda env create -f environment.yml

After creating the environment, we need to switch to this new environment (via conda activate <env_name>) which we have named devel.

> conda activate devel

Run setup.py to compile SHARPpy.

> python setup.py install

Once the installation is complete, keep the terminal open and follow the steps in the next section to launch SHARPpy.

Running SHARPpy from the Command Line

In the command line, type the command sharppy to launch the program.

> sharppy

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If successful, a window will open which will give you access to soundings from NUCAPS, RAOBS, and select models. For instructions on using SHARPpy, see the "Display NUCAPS in SHARPpy" quick guide.

https://weather.msfc.nasa.gov/sport/