

# **Info Session: Virtual Environments**

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## Interpreted vs Compiled Programming Languages: What's the Difference?

“ Every program is a set of instructions, whether it's to add two numbers or send a request over the internet. Compilers and interpreters take human-readable code and convert it to computer-readable machine code.”

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**NOTATION.** `$ some\_text\_here`: `some_text_here` is a command-line argument (you can just copy-paste it into your terminal!)

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- Python installation: <https://wiki.python.org/moin/BeginnersGuide/Download>
- **Great! Now that your computer has a Python interpreter, all you're just missing is...**

# MODULES, LIBRARIES AND PACKAGES

**module < library < packages.**

(<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/16997950/whats-the-difference-between-module-package-and-library-in-haskell>)

- “A **module** is a set of functions, types, classes, ... put together in a common namespace.
- A **library** is a set of modules which makes sense to put together and that can be used in a program or another library.
- A **package** is a unit of distribution that can contain a library or an executable or both. It's a way to share your code with the community.”

**Cool... But how does Python download, store and resolve packages?**

## How does Python download, store and resolve packages?

1. **System packages**: packages that are part of the standard Python library (automatically downloaded when you download your interpreter)
2. **Site Packages**: 3<sup>rd</sup> party packages, usually installed using pip or easy\_install commands
  - **PyPI (Python Package Index)**: 3<sup>rd</sup> party software repository for Python (Wiki)
  - **Pip**: standard package-management system used to install and manage software packages written in Python. Many packages can be found in the default source for packages and their dependencies — Python Package Index (Wiki)

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**Check what Python interpreter you are using**



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(ie write commands in Python instead of in Bash)

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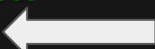
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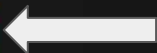
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**or: CTRL + D** stop using your Python interpreter

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3. **Virtual Environments**:
  - Python tool for package management and project isolation
  - Allow for site packages (3<sup>rd</sup> party packages) to be installed in a local directory (ex: specific project) instead of globally
    - ie create a “local” (project-specific) site-packages directory that can use its own version of Python!
  - Why? <https://towardsdatascience.com/virtual-environments-104c62d48c54#ee81>
    - “**Resolve dependency issues** by allowing you to use different versions of a package for different projects.
    - Make your project **self-contained** and **reproducible** by capturing all package dependencies in a requirements file.
    - Install packages on a host on which you do not have admin privileges.
    - Keep your global `site-packages/` system site-packages directory tidy by removing the need to install packages system-wide which you might only need for one project.”



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- **Alert!** Different package dependencies → store in separate virtual environments

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**Note: this example assumes that you are using Python 3**

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**contains script that allows you to  
switch from global venv to local venv**

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**Copy of your local env's version of Python**



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**Where the 3rd party packages of  
the local venv are stored**

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## Switch back to your local venv

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## ModuleNotFoundError !

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# Anaconda and Miniconda

- **Pip**: package manager
- **Virtualenv**: environment manager
- **Conda**: both!
  - Packaging tool and installer (like pip!) → packages from Anaconda Repository and Anaconda Cloud (instead of PyPI)
  - Creates a virtual environment (like virtualenv!)
  - **Command line tool**: does not require a Python interpreter
  - [Conda Cheat Sheet](#)
- **Anaconda**: Python and R distribution, “aims to simplify package management and deployment” (Wiki)
  - **Python interpreter** (*any version you chose*) + **Conda** + “**meta-packages anaconda**” (predetermined set of Python packages)
- **Miniconda**:
  - **Python interpreter** (*any version you chose*) + **Conda**
  - manually install any packages/dependencies you need
  - $\oplus$ : less space, quicker to install, customizable
  - $\ominus$ : requires a better understanding of venvs as well as what your project requires
- **READ MORE:**
  - [Anaconda vs. Miniconda vs. Virtualenv](#)
  - [Understanding Conda and Pip](#)

## Build your own Conda Virtual Environment!

- (1) Download the correct files from the CobraLab Google Drive: CobraLab → PRESENTATIONS → LAB MEETINGS → Info\_Session\_2020 → 2020-09-16-virtual-environments → test\_conda\_env.tar.gz:  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Ngtmwn-ePr-8Kt5ai8CluKVG93E3qupl?usp=sharing>
- (2) Unzip the .tar file and cd into through your terminal!

### NOTATION

\$ some\_text\_here: some\_text\_here is a command-line argument (you can just copy-paste it into your terminal!)

# Build your own Conda Virtual Environment!

## **OPTION 1** (2<sup>nd</sup> option later):

(3) Create your conda environment:

```
$ conda create --name my_conda_env python=3.8.3
```

(2) Activate your conda environment:

```
$ source activate my_conda_env
```

(5) Download all of the right packages and dependencies to be able to run HCP\_interactive\_plot.ipynb:

```
$ conda install numpy
```

```
$ conda install pandas
```

```
$ conda install plotly
```

```
$ conda install dash
```

```
$ conda install -c conda-forge -c plotly jupyter-dash
```

```
$ conda install jupyter
```

```
$ conda install nb_conda_kernels
```

(6) Launch Jupyter Notebook!

```
$ jupyter notebook
```

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## (8) Open the Jupyter Notebook:



The screenshot shows the JupyterLab web interface in a browser. The address bar indicates the URL is `localhost:8888/tree`. The Jupyter logo is visible in the top left, and 'Quit' and 'Logout' buttons are in the top right. Below the header, there are tabs for 'Files', 'Running', and 'Clusters'. The 'Files' tab is active, showing a file browser. A message says 'Select items to perform actions on them.' with 'Upload', 'New', and a refresh icon. The file list shows three items: `HCP_interactive_plot.ipynb` (13.6 kB, 3 minutes ago), `HCP_data.csv` (155 kB, 8 minutes ago), and `README.txt` (334 B, seconds ago). The first file is highlighted with a red border.

	Name	Last Modified	File size
<input type="checkbox"/>	<code>HCP_interactive_plot.ipynb</code>	3 minutes ago	13.6 kB
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# Build your own Conda Virtual Environment!

## (9) Make sure you are using the right kernel

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying a Jupyter Notebook. The browser's address bar shows the URL `localhost:8888/notebooks/HCP_interactive_plot.ipynb`. The Jupyter interface includes a top bar with the notebook name 'HCP\_interactive\_plot' and a 'Logout' button. Below this is a menu bar with 'File', 'Edit', 'View', 'Insert', 'Cell', 'Kernel', 'Widgets', and 'Help'. The 'Kernel' menu is open, showing options like 'Interrupt', 'Restart', 'Restart & Clear Output', 'Restart & Run All', 'Reconnect', and 'Shutdown'. The 'Change kernel' option is highlighted with a red box, and a sub-menu is displayed showing available kernels: 'Python 3', 'Python [conda env:anaconda3]', 'Python [conda env:my\_conda\_env] \*' (highlighted with a red box), 'Python [conda env:root]', and 'subcort\_PLS\_env'. The notebook content includes a section 'About this notebook' and a list of shortcuts.

**About this notebook**

The purpose of this Notebook is to provide a reproducible environment that we created in order to make an interactive plot. It is inspired by Dr. Thomas B. (https://twitter.com/DrThomasB).

Quick parenthesis: Big Gabe hates Jupyter Notebook.

**Useful Jupyter notebook shortcuts (from Dr. Thomas B.)**

Outside of cells:

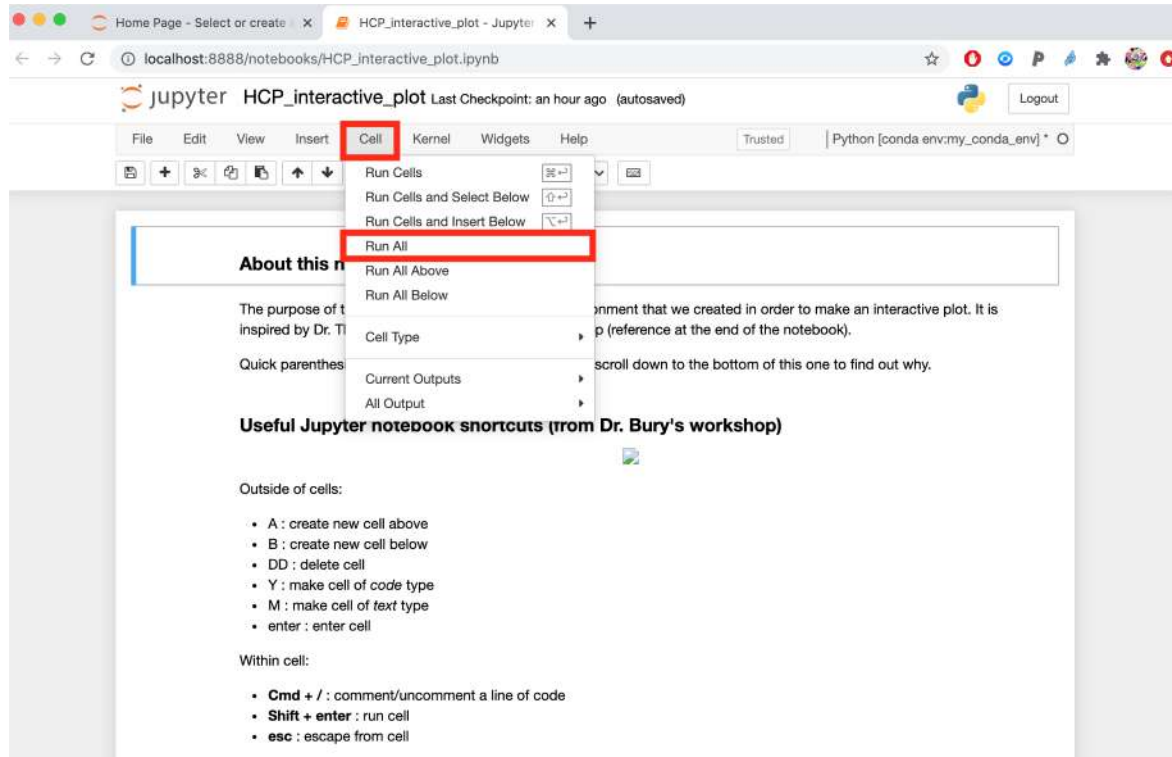
- A : create new cell above
- B : create new cell below
- DD : delete cell
- Y : make cell of code type
- M : make cell of text type
- enter : enter cell

Within cell:

- **Cmd + /** : comment/uncomment a line of code
- **Shift + enter** : run cell
- **esc** : escape from cell

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## (10) Run all of the cells



## Maintaining good habits

Your **final goal** is for anybody (including yourself) to be able **reproduce** your results **whenever** and as **seamlessly** as possible, whilst minimizing the steps required to do so.

# Maintaining good habits... save dependencies

## (1) [pip freeze](#): virtual environments (venv)

- List all packages in the current environment:
  - `$ pip freeze -l`
- Save packages for future use:
  - `$ PATH_TO_ENV_1/bin/pip pip freeze > requirements.txt`
- Reinstall packages from an export file:
  - `$ PATH_TO_ENV_2/bin/pip install -r requirements.txt`

## (2) [conda list](#): conda environments

- List all packages in the current environment:
  - `$ conda list`
- List all packages installed into the environment 'myenv':
  - `$ conda list -n myenv`
- Save packages for future use:
  - `$ conda list --explicit > package-list.txt`
- Reinstall packages from an export file:
  - `$ conda create -n myenv --file package-list.txt`

## (3) [Makefiles](#)

- Deploying software, sharing projects

### OPTION 2: package list

(3) Create your conda environment:

```
$ conda create --name my_conda_env python=3.8.3 --  
file=package-list.txt
```

(4) Activate your conda environment:

```
$ source activate my_conda_env
```

(5) Launch Jupyter Notebook!

```
$ jupyter notebook or $ python HCP_interactive_plot.py
```



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## OPTION 3: makefile

```
install: # create your virtual environment
    @echo "Creating virtual environment"
    conda create --prefix ./my_temp_conda_env python=3.8.3 --file=package-list.txt

plot: # generate interactive plot
    echo "generating interactive plot (.html file)"
    ./my_temp_conda_env/bin/python HCP_interactive_plot.py

clean: # delete your virtual environment
    @echo "Cleaning up"
    rm -rf ./my_temp_conda_env
```

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## OPTION 3: makefile

### (3) \$ make install

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(4) \$ make plot

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**Thank you!**