## How to Install CyNEST

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In order to correctly install CyNEST, you must achieve the following very simple operations :

- Place your terminal in the *nest-cynest* folder (where the NEST code is situated).
- Execute ./bootstrap.sh.

  This will run the automake, autoconf and libtoolize tools, generating the configure file.
- Leave the current directory and create another one (the name is ininfluent), then enter this new folder.
- Call the *configure* file in the *nest-cynest* folder. Hence type
  - ../nest-cynest/configure –prefix="install-dir" -enable-cynest in your terminal, where *install-dir* is the directory where you want to install CyNEST.
- Type **make -j4** and then **make install** in the terminal. This will compile and install CyNEST on the computer.
- Configure the paths in the terminal. You can do that by modifying, for example, the /home/"user"/.bashrc file. Add the following lines:

export PATH="[installation path of CyNEST]/bin:\$PATH"

• It is now possible to load python and, by typing **import cynest** in the python terminal, CyNEST can be used.