



# **Advanced Molecular Detection**

## **Southeast Region Bioinformatics**

**Office Hours – Session 2**  
03/20/2023

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For any BRR requests, please send an email to all three team members above (IT is fixing our group email)  
Based on the requests one of us from the team will respond as soon as possible.

# ELC Updates/Reminders

- Program A, Activity 1f – AMD Regional Workforce Development Training Participant
  - Please apply for this to send participants to an in-person training workshop (hosted by ABiL) in Atlanta, GA in Fall 2023
    - \$3,000-\$10,000 available for each jurisdiction
- Program A, Activity 6a – AMD Platform Support Core Activities
  - Please apply and participate in at least two Communities of Practice
    - You do not need to be a subject matter expert in any of the CoPs. Participation in CoPs mainly allows supporting states to provide their needs and input for features for the new AMD Platform
      - \$25,000 available for each jurisdiction
        - Can ask for maintenance of equipment, procurement of supplies, staff time
      - **\*CDC said that most jurisdictions did not apply. There is an award available for all ELC jurisdictions.**

# Agenda

**March 20** - Conda

**April 3** – Nextflow

**April 17** – **Cancelled**

**April 24** - PHoeNix #1 (Installation and Dependencies) (**Rescheduled**)

**May 1** – PHoeNix #2 (Demo)

## Future Trainings

- ONT & FL's Flisochar pipeline
- StaPH-B Toolkit Programs/Pipelines
- AMRFinder+ (--organism)
- GISAID flagged SARS-CoV-2
- Git (git clone, etc.)
- PHA4GE Harmonization (AMR)
- Generating R figures
- ...and more

# What is Conda?

- Python-based environment & package manager
- Creates reproducible analysis pipelines using crowd-sourced & version-controlled packages
- Conda creates self-contained modules that contain the necessary programs, etc. for completing a particular computing task
- Reduces difficulties with typical tool/package installation

## **Environment:**

- A computing environment which is the collection of programs, language libraries, etc. in which a computer operates

## **Package:**

- A package is a collection of software that may contain things such as programs (e.g., Python), programming libraries (e.g., Perl), or other useful tools.
- Conda combines packages to construct environments for doing complex tasks

# Importance of Conda

- Works on all major operating systems like Mac, Windows, & Linux, though not all packages are available for every operating system
- Helps keep your computing environment organized so you're less likely to end up with dependency issues
- Packages are version-controlled so you can easily switch versions if one isn't working or if a particular version is required for a pipeline
- Environments can be reproduced and shared leading to increased analytical veracity
- Works exceptionally well when combined with workflow managers (e.g. Nextflow)

# Installing Anaconda / Manage Conda Environments

- Download the installation script

```
$ wget https://repo.anaconda.com/archive/Anaconda3-2022.05-Linux-x86_64.sh
```

- Type **ls -althr -color=auto** to confirm the file downloaded, which displays in white color (and does not have executable permissions for the owner/user)
- To add executable permissions to the file, type

```
$ chmod u + x Anaconda3-2022.05-Linux-x86_64.sh
```

- Type **ls -althr -color=auto**, color should be changed to green from white and you'll see an "x" for owner



# Installing Anaconda

- To install Anaconda, execute the shell script given below

```
$ ./ Anaconda3-2022.05-Linux-x86_64.sh
```

- Follow all the prompts, scroll through the license agreement and hit enter which should take a several minutes for the process to complete.
- Answer yes and/or hit enter for all the prompts
- Close Putty/shell terminal & login again to initialize your base conda environment

# Using HPG Conda

- Instead of installing anaconda, you can use the conda module in HPG

```
$ module load conda
```

- Creating and naming an environment (-yp 'your path' to where you want the conda env installed)

```
$ conda create -yp /blue/bphl-<state>/<user>/<conda_envs>/<env_name>
```

```
$ conda activate /blue/bphl-<state>/<user>/<conda_envs>/<env_name>
```

# Updating Conda and Adding Channels

- Make sure to update conda regularly

```
$ conda update conda
```

- Adding additional channels - may already be installed (must do this the first time you use so you can install tools)

```
$ conda config --add channels defaults  
$ conda config --add channels bioconda  
$ conda config --add channels conda-forge
```

# Creating & Managing Conda Environments

- Environments are an integral part of conda-based workflows and also can be used to run individual programs in the command line
- They are customizable, reproducible, and shareable modules that contain the resources for a specific task or set of tasks
- Environments also help avoid dependency issues where required programs are incompatible with previously installed programs or program versions
- To display all the environments available along with their locations, type

```
$ conda env list
```

# Conda Environments List

```
thsalikilakshmi@login5:~  
  
https://www.rc.ufl.edu/documentation/policies/storage/  
  
UFIT Policy Notice  
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The user understands and acknowledges that the computer and the network are the  
property of the University of Florida (UF). The user agrees to comply with the  
UF Acceptable Use Policy and Guidelines. UF monitors computer and network  
activities without user authorization. UF may provide information about computer  
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(base) [thsalikilakshmi@login5 ~]$ ls  
anaconda3  Anaconda3-2022.05-Linux-x86_64.sh  bin  bs  ncbi  nextflow  
(base) [thsalikilakshmi@login5 ~]$ emacs ~/.bashrc  
(base) [thsalikilakshmi@login5 ~]$ conda env list  
# conda environments:  
#  
PlasmidFinder      /blue/bphl-florida/thsalikilakshmi/training/conda_envs/PlasmidFinder  
biopython          /blue/bphl-florida/thsalikilakshmi/training/conda_envs/biopython  
cge_addons         /blue/bphl-florida/thsalikilakshmi/training/conda_envs/cge_addons  
nextflow           /blue/bphl-florida/thsalikilakshmi/training/conda_envs/nextflow  
base               * /home/thsalikilakshmi/anaconda3  
ivar              /home/thsalikilakshmi/anaconda3/envs/ivar  
  
(base) [thsalikilakshmi@login5 ~]$
```

# Conda Environments

- By default, an environment called base is created when installing & initializing Conda upon login. Base contains standard Python packages.
- To activate an environment in Conda, type

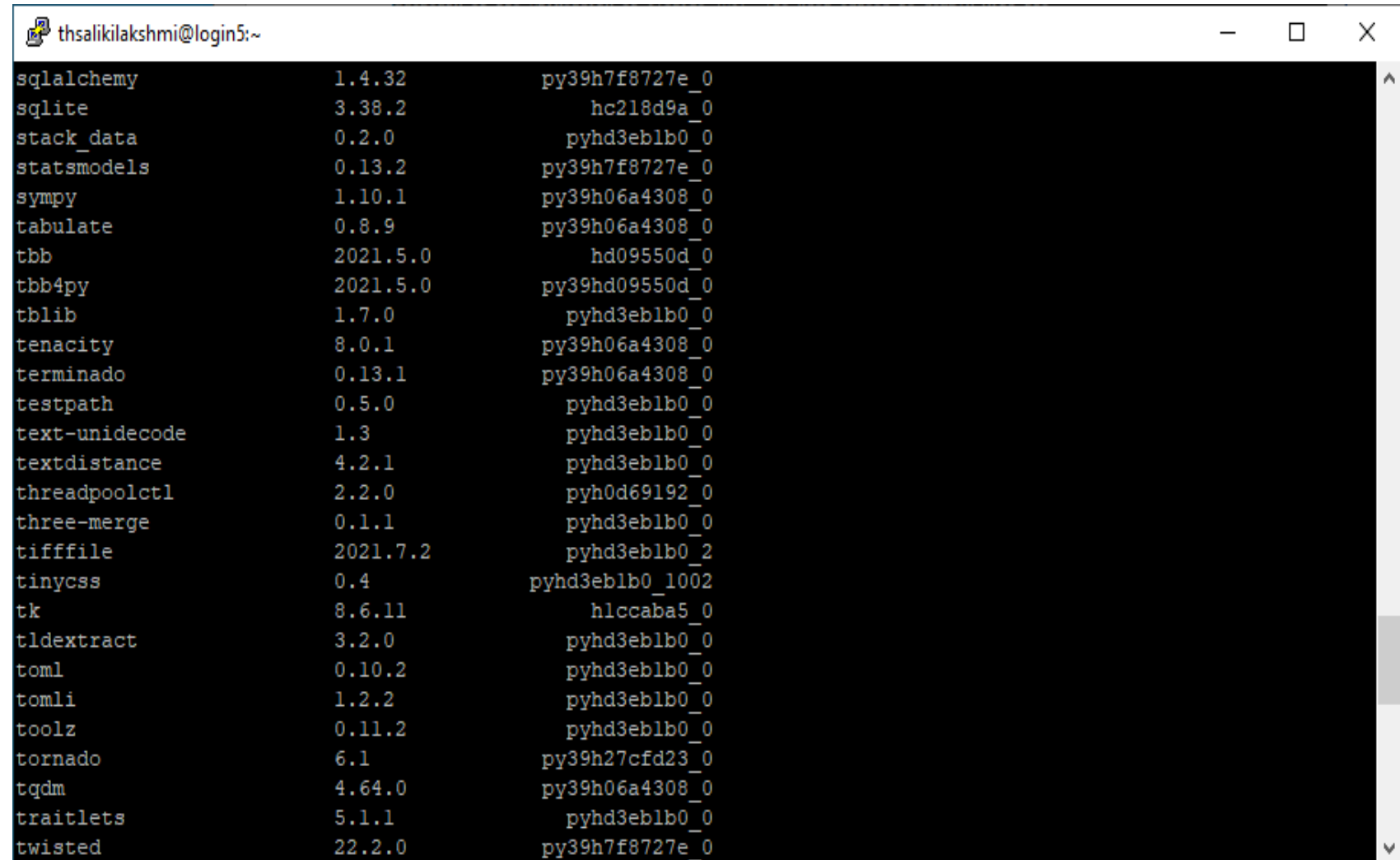
```
$ conda activate <environment name>
```

- As the base environment is loaded, to check what programs it contains, type

```
$ conda list
```

# Conda list

This screen appears which displays the name, version, and build channel



sqlalchemy	1.4.32	py39h7f8727e_0
sqlite	3.38.2	hc218d9a_0
stack_data	0.2.0	pyhd3eb1b0_0
statsmodels	0.13.2	py39h7f8727e_0
sympy	1.10.1	py39h06a4308_0
tabulate	0.8.9	py39h06a4308_0
tbb	2021.5.0	hd09550d_0
tbb4py	2021.5.0	py39hd09550d_0
tblib	1.7.0	pyhd3eb1b0_0
tenacity	8.0.1	py39h06a4308_0
terminado	0.13.1	py39h06a4308_0
testpath	0.5.0	pyhd3eb1b0_0
text-unidecode	1.3	pyhd3eb1b0_0
textdistance	4.2.1	pyhd3eb1b0_0
threadpoolctl	2.2.0	pyh0d69192_0
three-merge	0.1.1	pyhd3eb1b0_0
tifffile	2021.7.2	pyhd3eb1b0_2
tinycss	0.4	pyhd3eb1b0_1002
tk	8.6.11	hlccaba5_0
tlextract	3.2.0	pyhd3eb1b0_0
toml	0.10.2	pyhd3eb1b0_0
tomli	1.2.2	pyhd3eb1b0_0
toolz	0.11.2	pyhd3eb1b0_0
tornado	6.1	py39h27cfd23_0
tqdm	4.64.0	py39h06a4308_0
traitlets	5.1.1	pyhd3eb1b0_0
twisted	22.2.0	py39h7f8727e_0

# Conda Environments

- To deactivate the environment, type

```
$ conda deactivate
```

- To create a new environment in conda, deactivate the current environment and then type

```
$ conda create -n <environment name>
```

- To delete an environment

```
$ conda remove --name <environment name> --all
```

- To delete an environment with an invalid path name (HPG conda module)

```
$ conda remove --all --prefix "/blue/bphl-<state>/<user>/conda_env/name_of_env"
```



# Mamba

- Reimplementation of conda written in C++
  - Faster friend
- Install your own version

```
$ conda install -c conda-forge mamba
```

- Or to use on HPG, load conda

```
$ module load conda
```

- Then, call mamba in place of conda

```
$ mamba create -n <environment name>
```

```
$ mamba activate <environment>
```

```
$ mamba install <dependencies> <package>
```

# Example: Shigatyper Environment

- Let's use shigatyper as an example ([Shigatyper :: Anaconda.org](https://anaconda.org/bioconda/shigatyper))
  - “Quick and easy tool designed to determine Shigella serotype using Illumina or ONT reads”
- Create a shigatyper environment and install shigatyper with bioconda and conda-forge repository channel

```
$ conda create -n shigatyper -c conda-forge -c bioconda shigatyper
```

- Or the same environment can be made with the following three commands

```
$ conda create -n shigatyper
```

```
$ conda activate shigatyper
```

```
$ conda install -c conda-forge -c bioconda shigatyper
```

# References

[GitHub - um-dang/conda on the cluster: A brief tutorial introducing learners to the Conda environment and package management system](#)

Conda cheat sheet [conda-cheatsheet.pdf](#)

# Time for Questions & Feedback

- Questions?
  - Do you need help with anything?
  - Requests for separate trainings?
- Feedback
  - What would you like to see?



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# Questions?

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