

CSC 599.70 Introduction to Data Science

Introduction to DS Tools


What can we use to do Data Science?

Excel?



Iris Data Set

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Iris Data Set

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Abstract: Famous database; from Fisher, 1936



Data Set Characteristics:	Multivariate	Number of Instances:	150	Area:	Life
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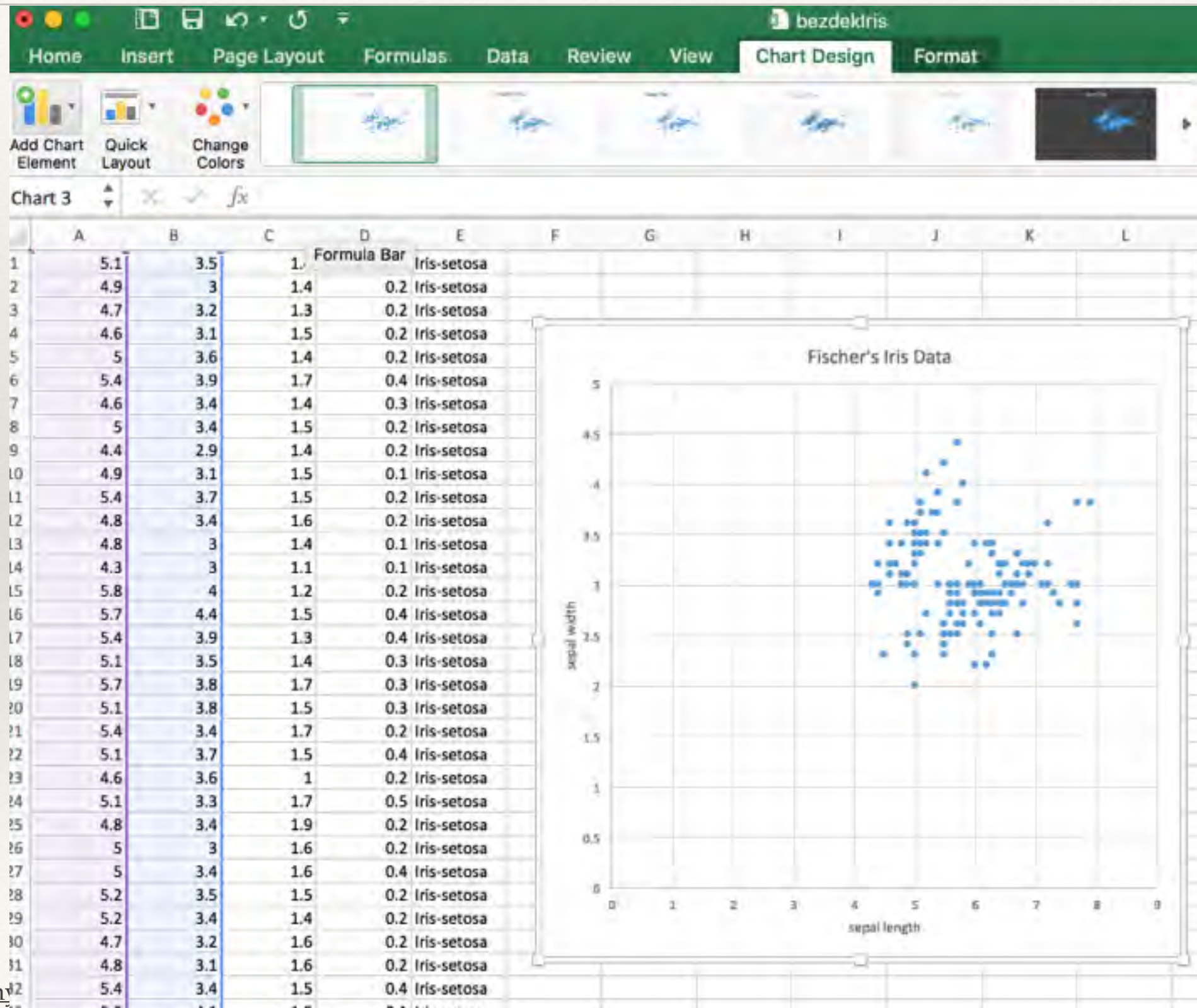
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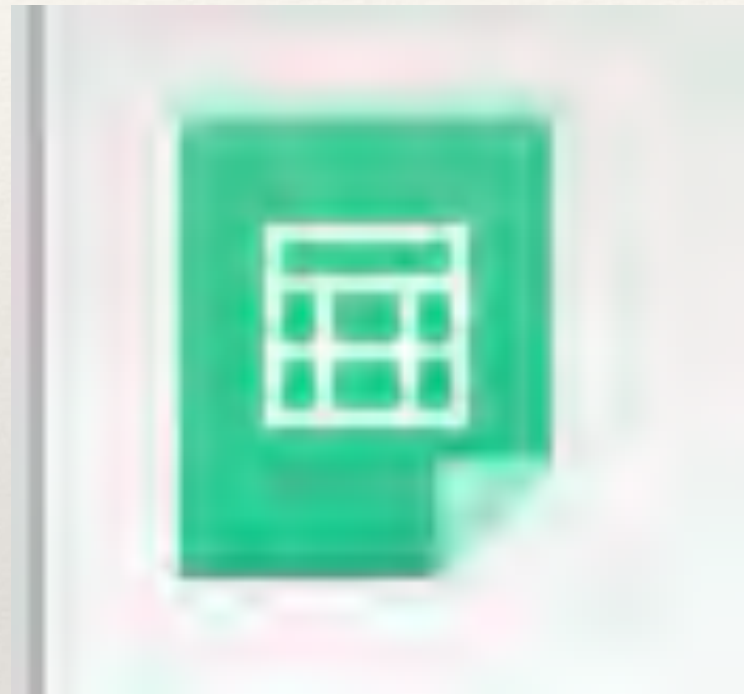
R.A. Fisher

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Basic Scatter Plots and Analysis

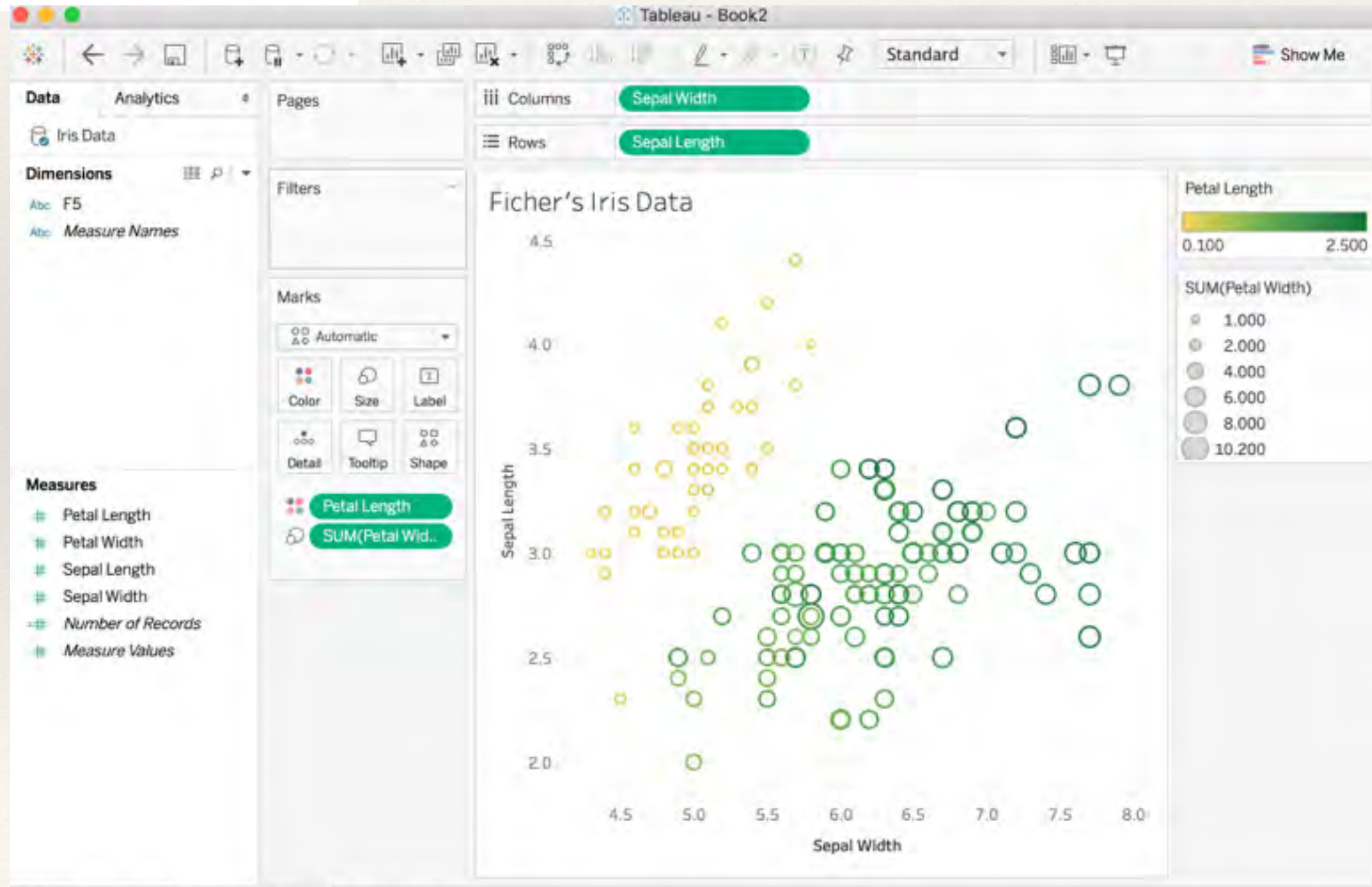
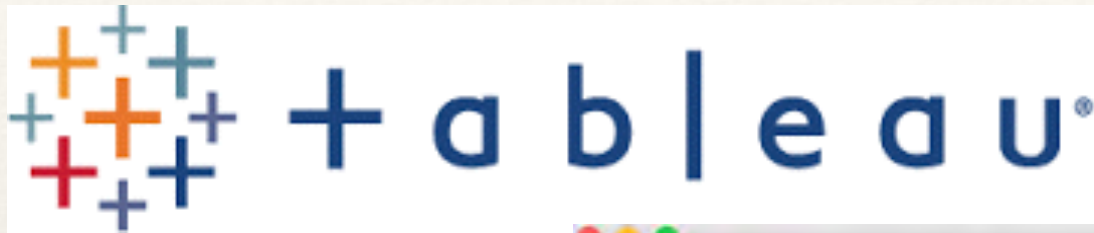


Quick look at “small data”

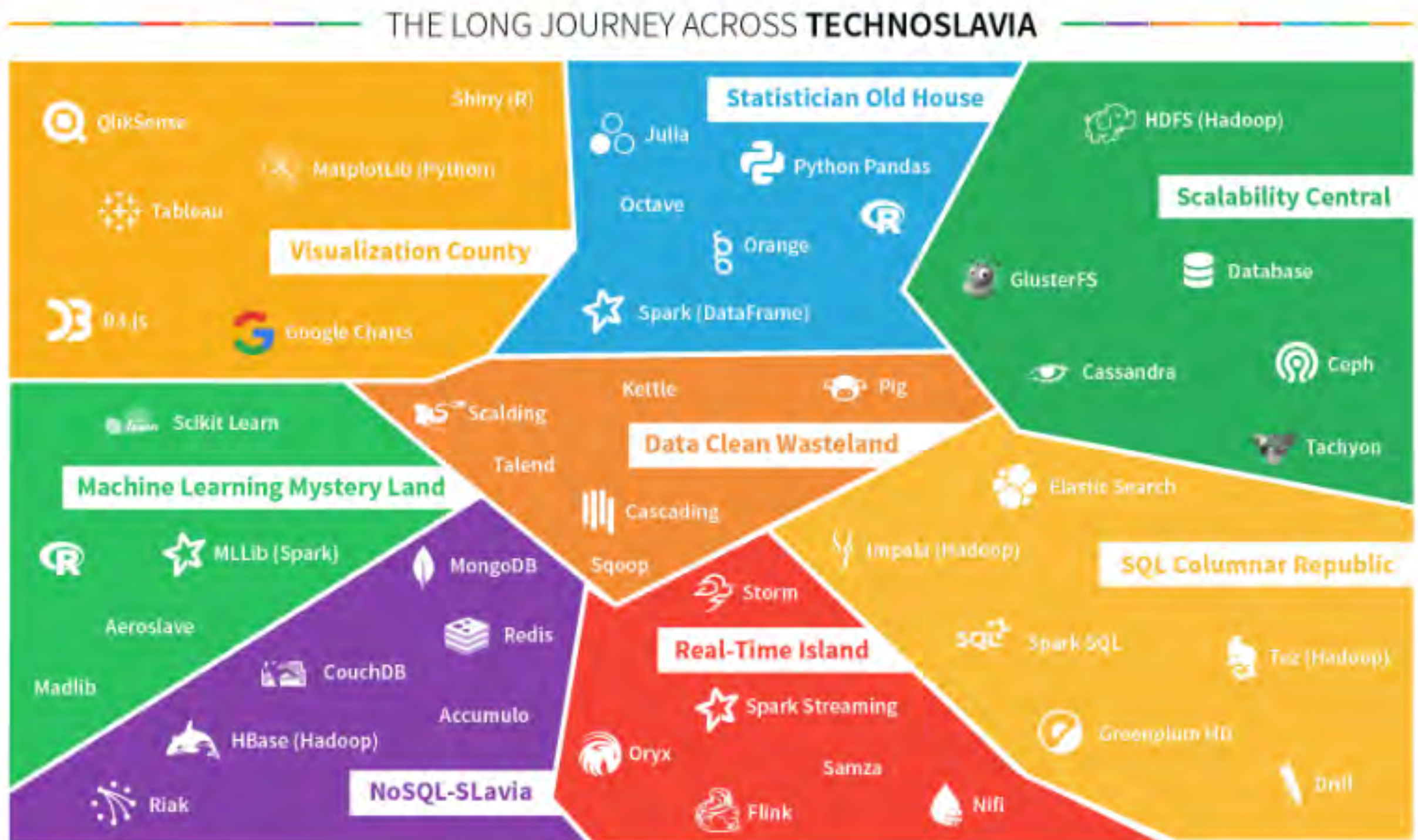


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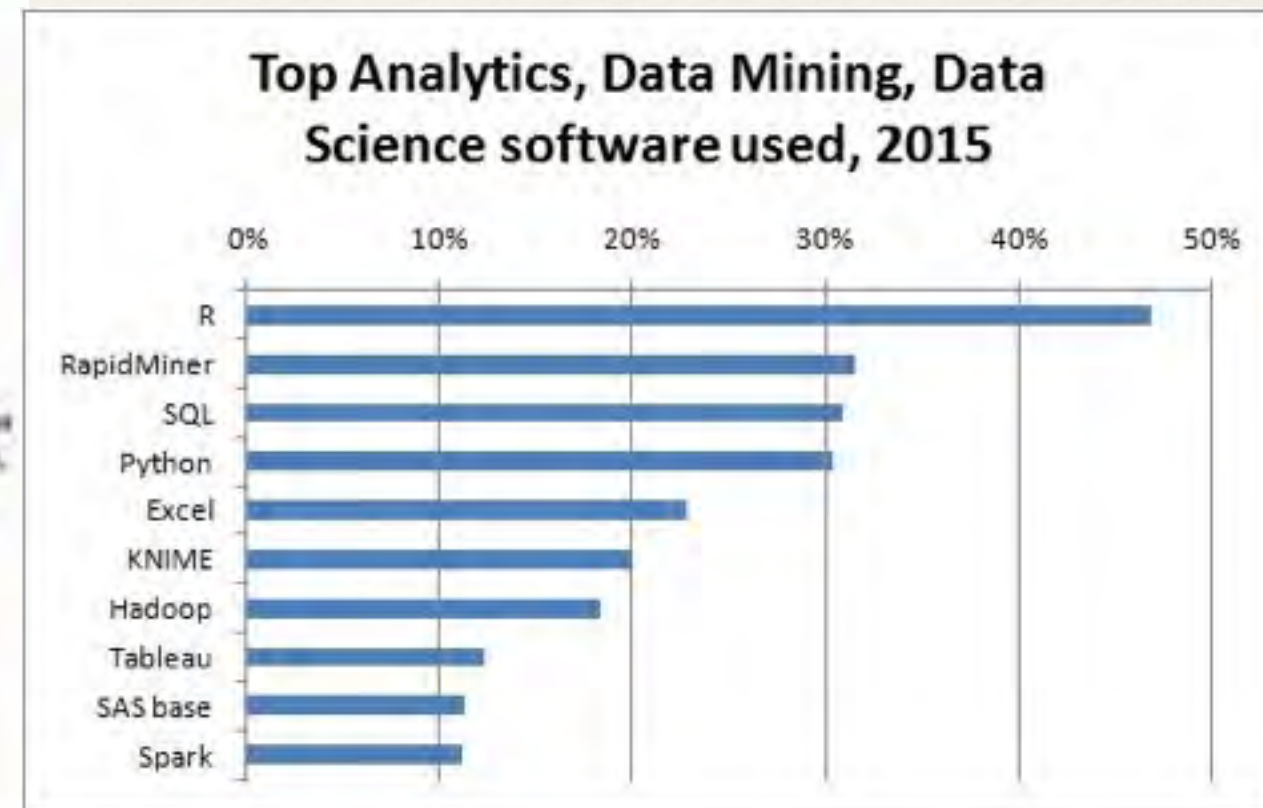
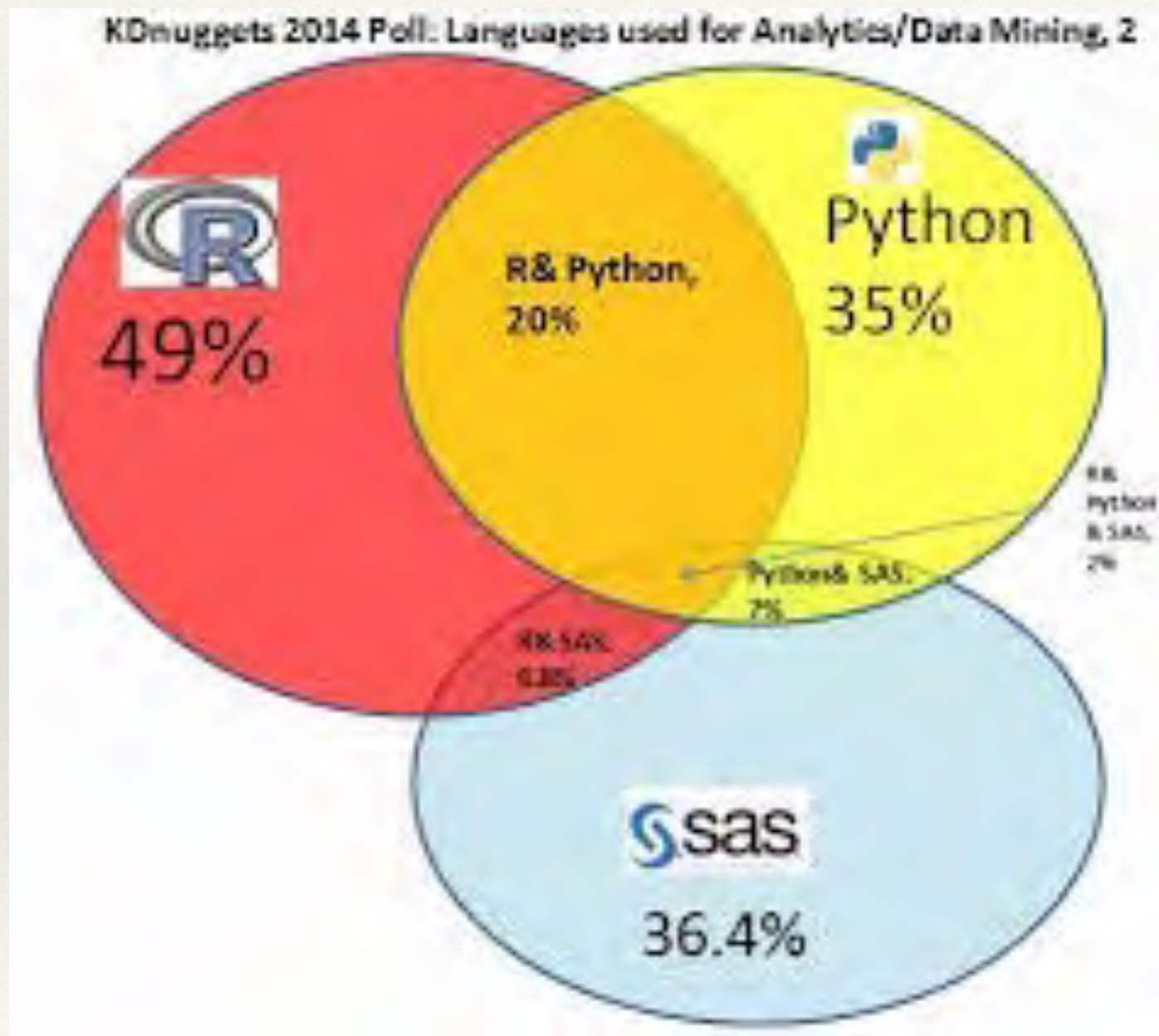
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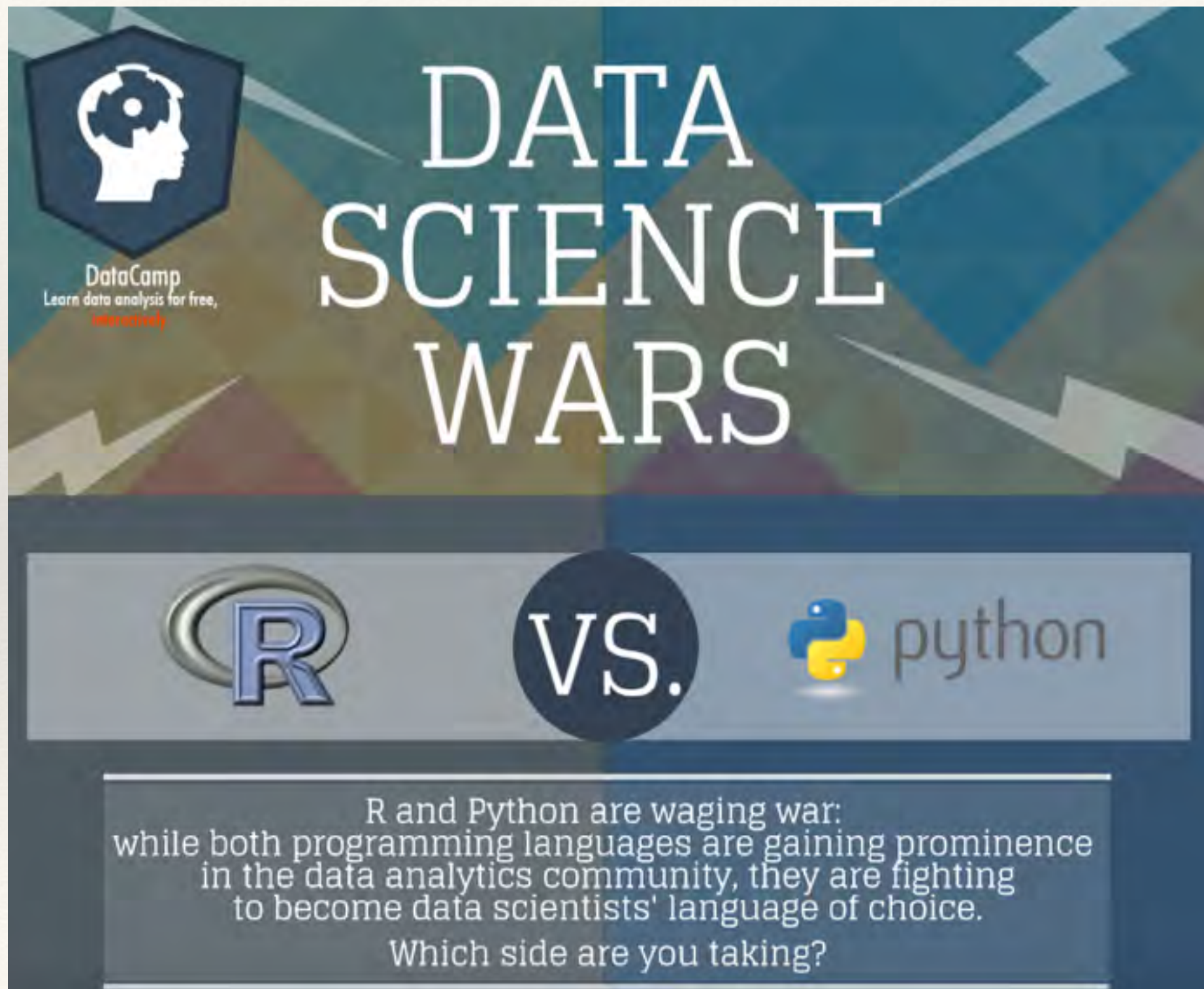
Languages/Tools for Data Science



Programmatic Analysis



Python vs R: Data Science WAR



R vs Python

History

Creators

Ross Ihaka and Robert Gentleman

Release Year

1995

Must Knows

1. R is an implementation of S programming language (Bell Labs).
2. R's design and evolution is handled by the R-core group and R foundation.
3. R's software environment was written primarily in C, Fortran and R.



Creator

Guido Van Rossum

Release Year

1991

Must Knows

1. Python was inspired by C, Modula-3, and particularly ABC.
2. Python gets its name from the "Monty Python's Flying Circus" comedy series.
3. Python Software Foundation (PSF) takes care of Python's advances.

R vs Python

Purpose

R focuses on better, user friendly data analysis, statistics and graphical models.

Python emphasizes productivity and code readability.

Used By?

R has been used primarily in academics and research. However, R is rapidly expanding into the enterprise market.

"The closer you are to statistics, research and data science, the more you might prefer R."

Python is used by programmers that want to delve into data analysis or apply statistical techniques, and by developers that turn to data science.

"The closer you are to working in an engineering environment, the more you might prefer Python."

R vs Python

Usability

Statistical models can be written with only a few lines.

There are R stylesheets but not everyone uses them.

The same piece of functionality can be written in several ways in R.

Coding and debugging is easier to do in Python, mainly because of the "nice" syntax.

The indentation of the code affects its meaning.

Any piece of functionality is always written the same way in Python.

Flexibility

It is easy to use complex formulas in R. All kinds of statistical tests and models are readily available and easily used.

Python is flexible for doing something novel that has never been done before. Developers can also use it for scripting a website or other applications.

Ease of Learning

R has a steep learning curve at start. Once you know the basics, you can easily learn advanced stuff.

R is not hard for experienced programmers.

Check out DataCamp's interactive exercises and tutorials.

Python's focus on readability and simplicity makes that its learning curve is relatively low and gradual.

Python is considered a good language for starting programmers.

Try using the book "Learn Python The Hard Way" and its accompanying site with videos and exercises.

Code Repositories

CRAN stands for the Comprehensive R Archive Network: it is a huge repository of R packages to which users can easily contribute.

Packages are collections of R functions, data, and compiled code. They can be installed in R with one line.

PyPi is the Python Package Index: it is a repository of Python software, consisting of libraries. Users can contribute to Pypi, but it is a bit complicated in practice.

Watch out with dependencies and installing Python libraries!

"I don't see Python [...] building up a huge code repository comparable to CRAN. [R has] a gigantic head start, [and] [...] statistics simply is not Python's central mission;"
- Norm Matloff, professor of computer science

R vs. Python

Usage

R is mainly used when the data analysis tasks require standalone computing or analysis on individual servers.

Python is generally used when the data analysis tasks need to be integrated with web apps or if statistics code needs to be incorporated into a production database.

Task

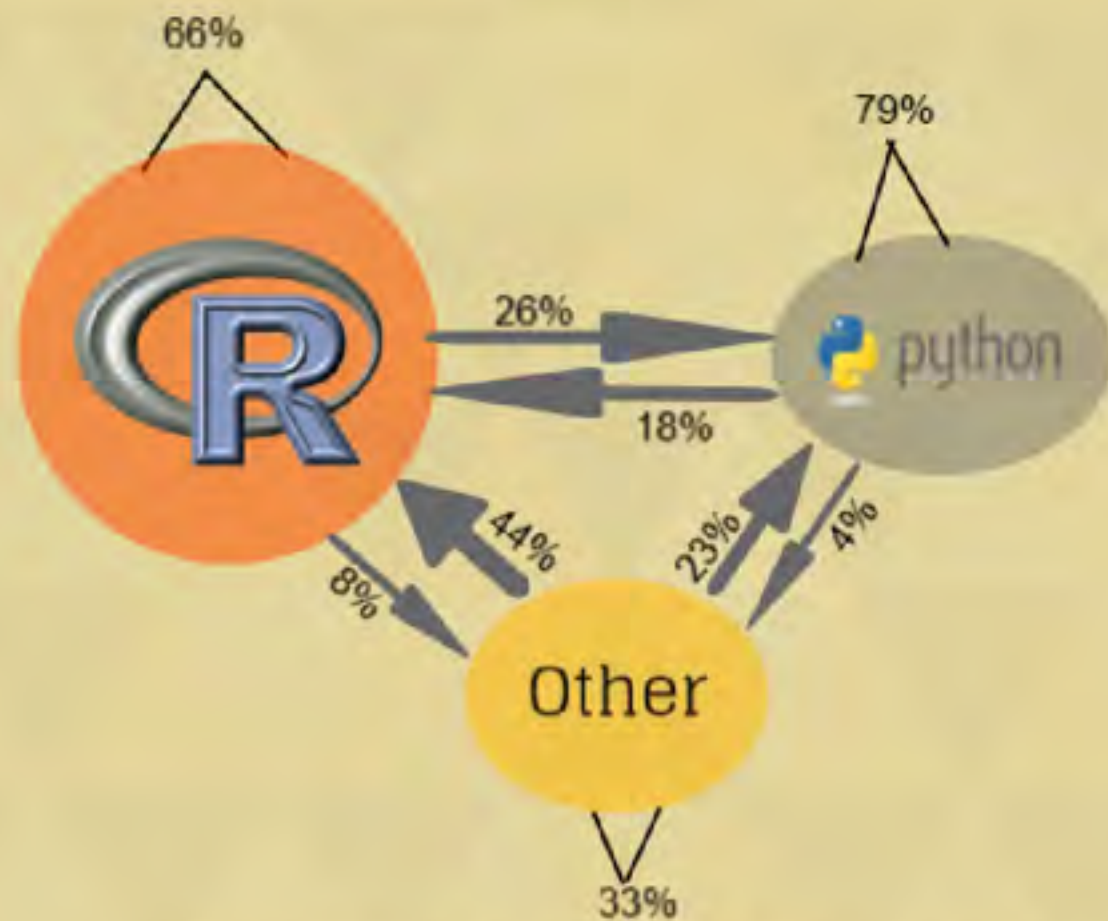
For exploratory work, R is easier for beginners. Statistical models can be written with a few lines of code.

As a full-fledged programming language, Python is a good tool to implement algorithms for production use.

Both Winners

Switching Between R and Python?

Number of people switching between R and Python in 2013 *



*Percentages on the arrows are relative to the base

"My current strategy is to leverage the best of both worlds — do early stage data analysis in R, then switch to Python when it's time to get serious, be a team player, and ship some real code and data products."

...

"I use R to conduct statistical tests, graph data, and inspect large data sets. If I actually have to write an algorithm, I prefer Python..."

...

"I'd rather do math in a general-purpose language than try to do general-purpose programming in a math language."

Jobs need both

Jobs and Salary?

O'Reilly 2014 Data Science Salary Survey

Average Annual Salaries In The Range Of:



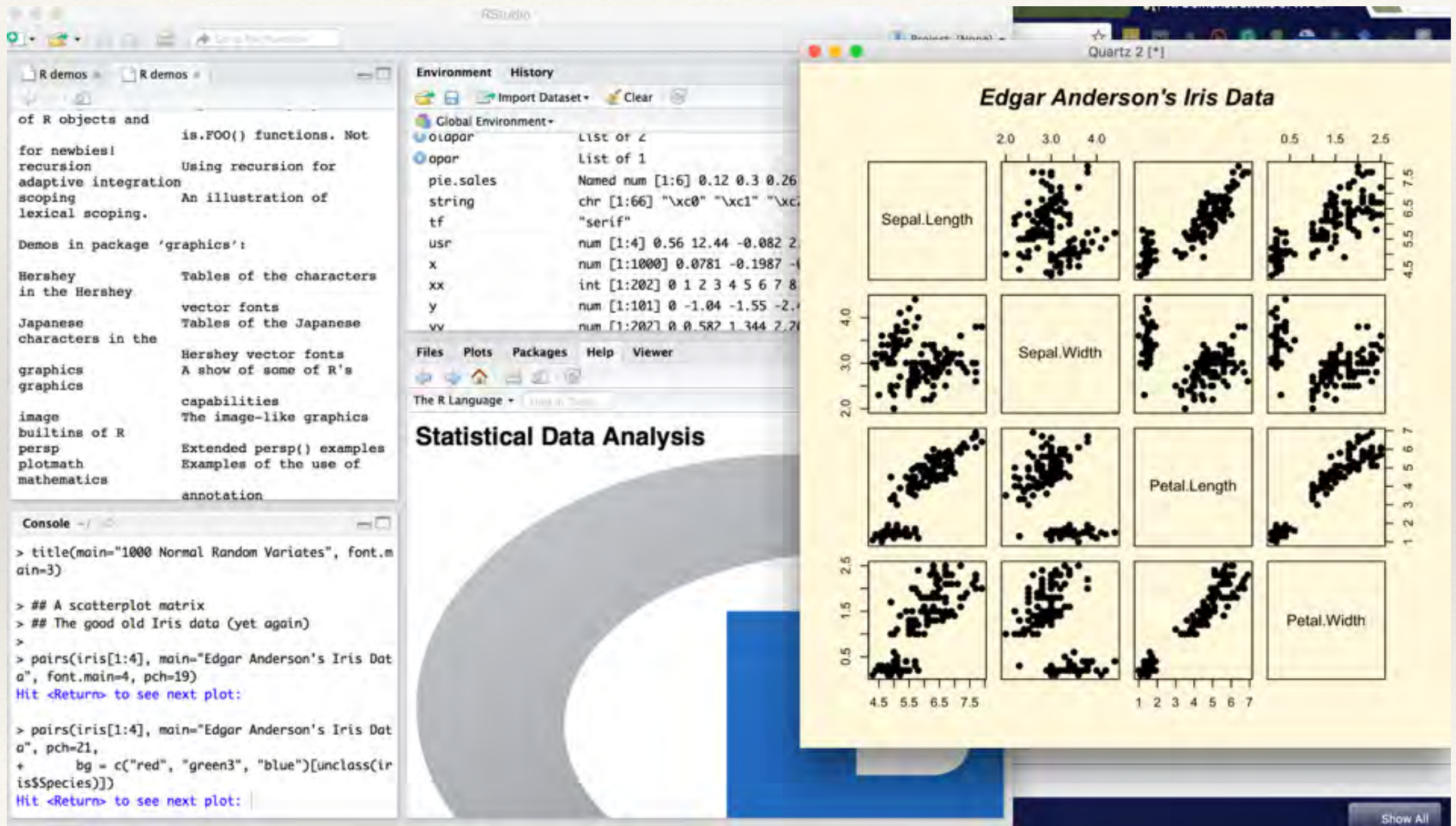
R and Python job trends

Job Trends from Indeed.com

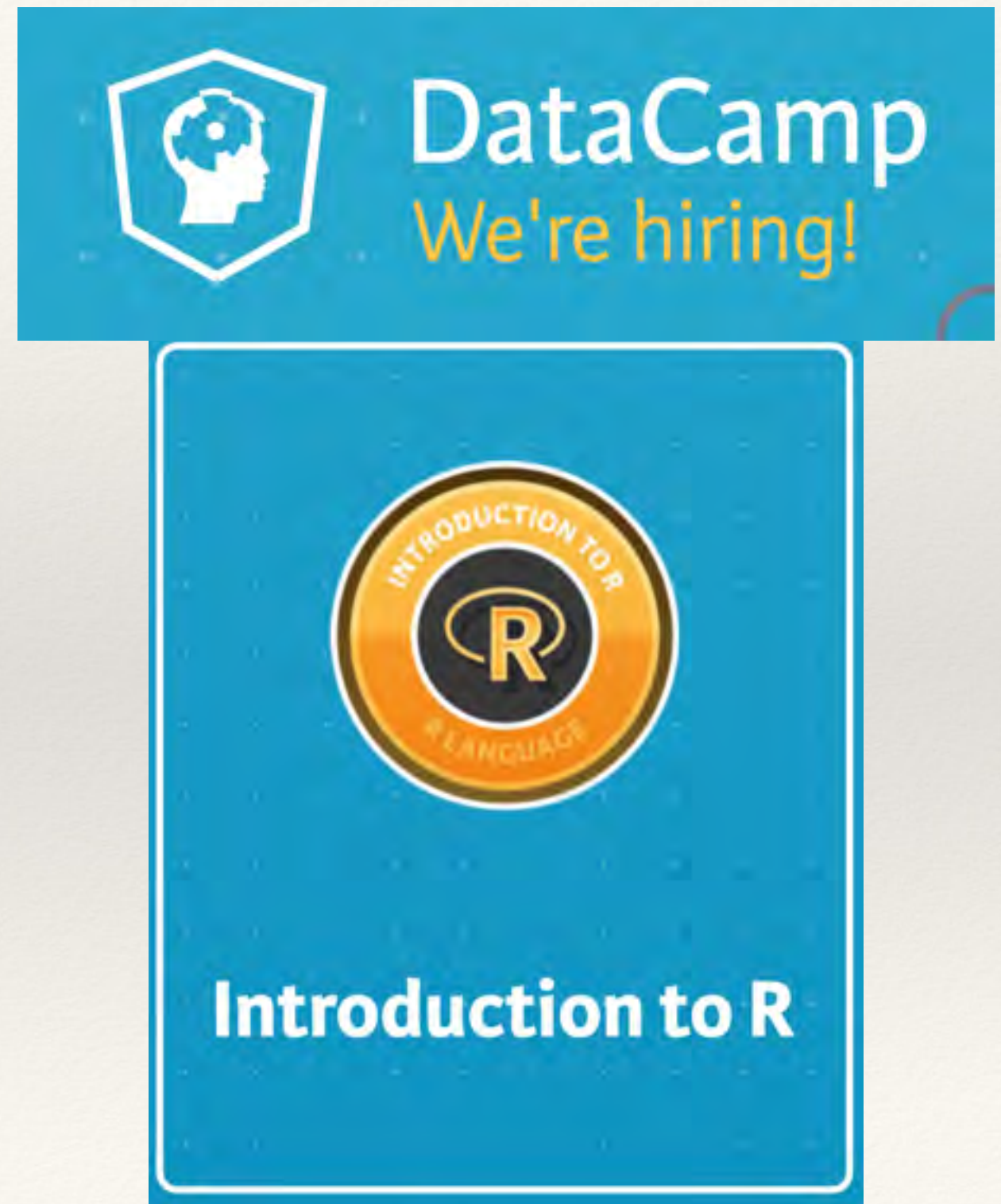
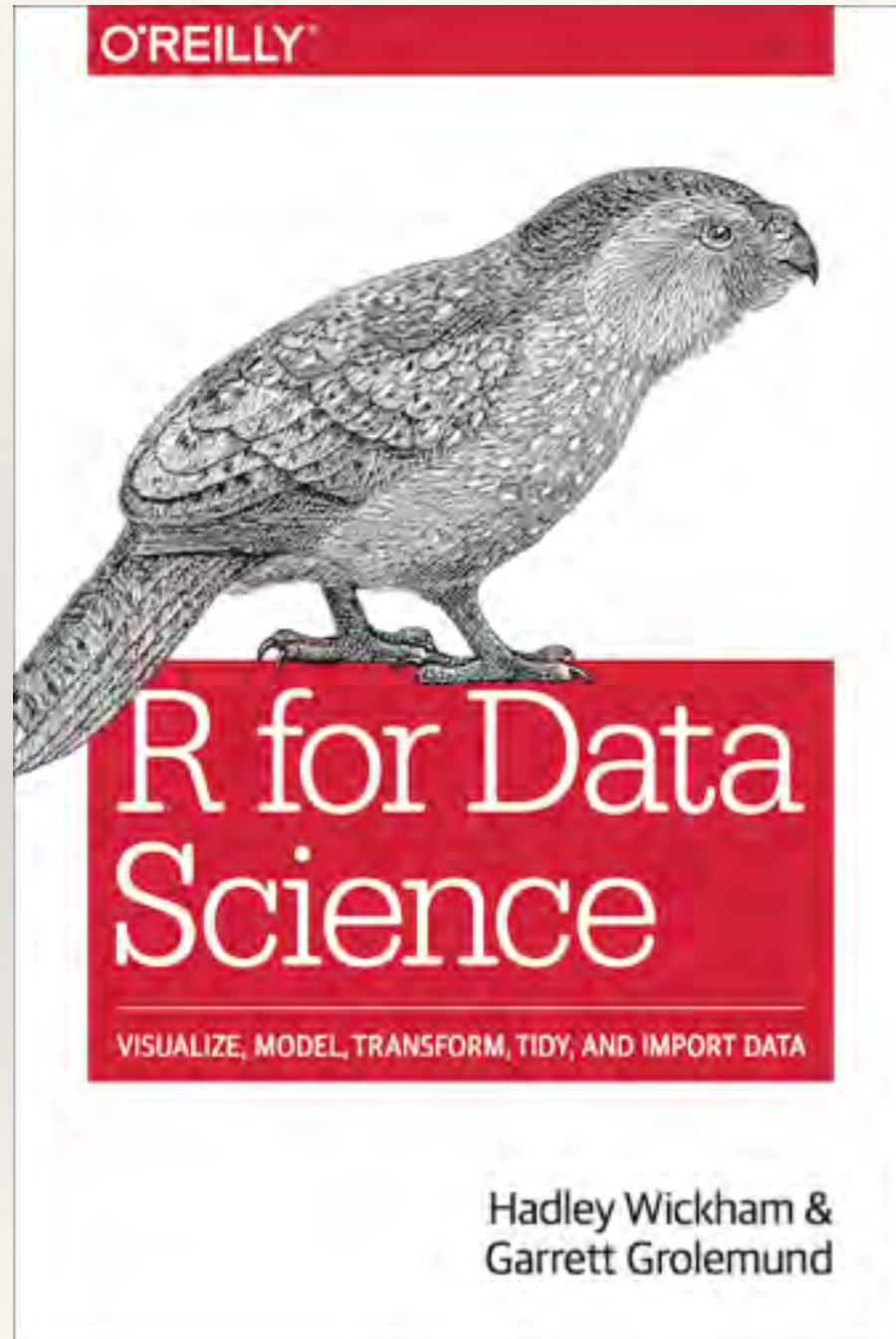
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R: IDE R-Studio

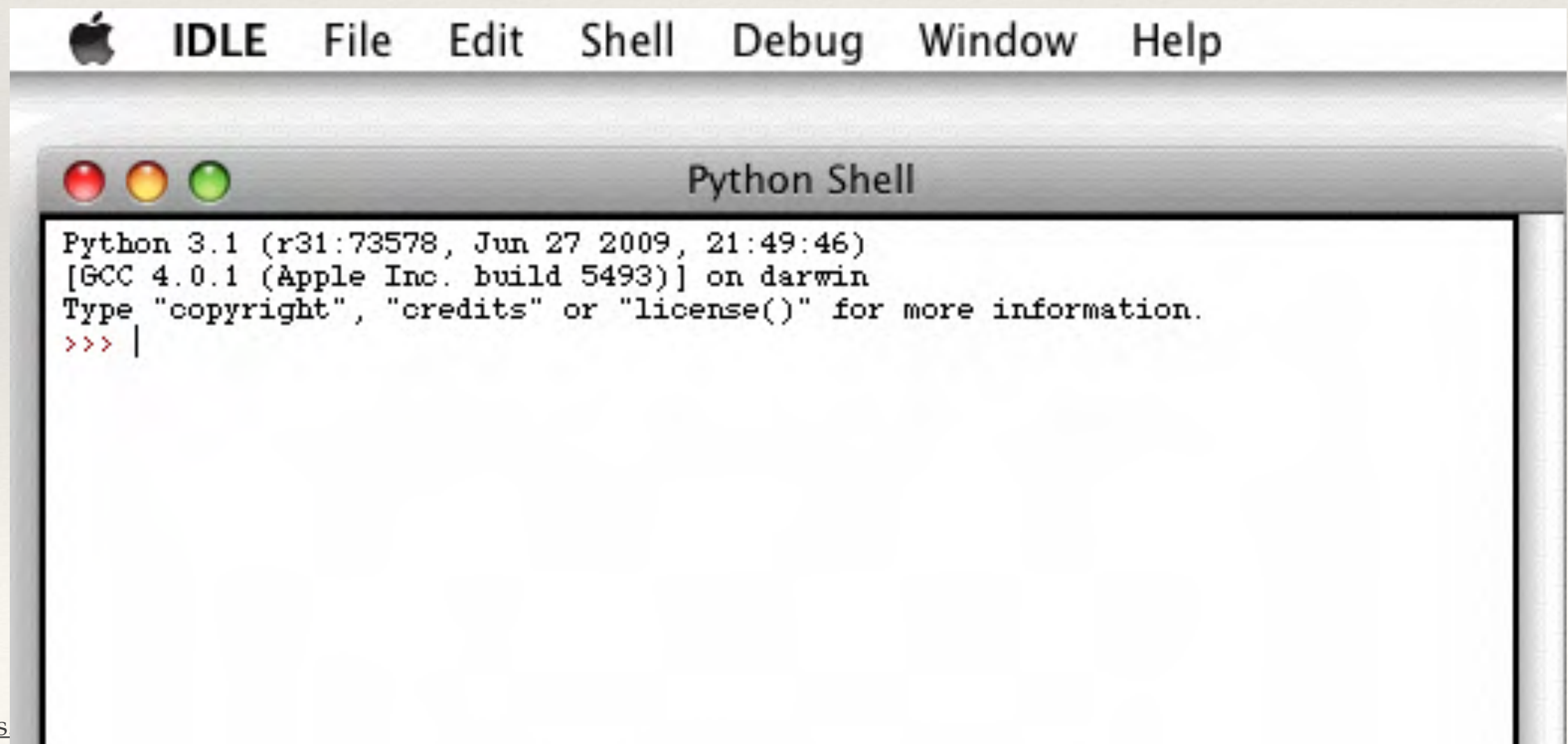


Some R resources

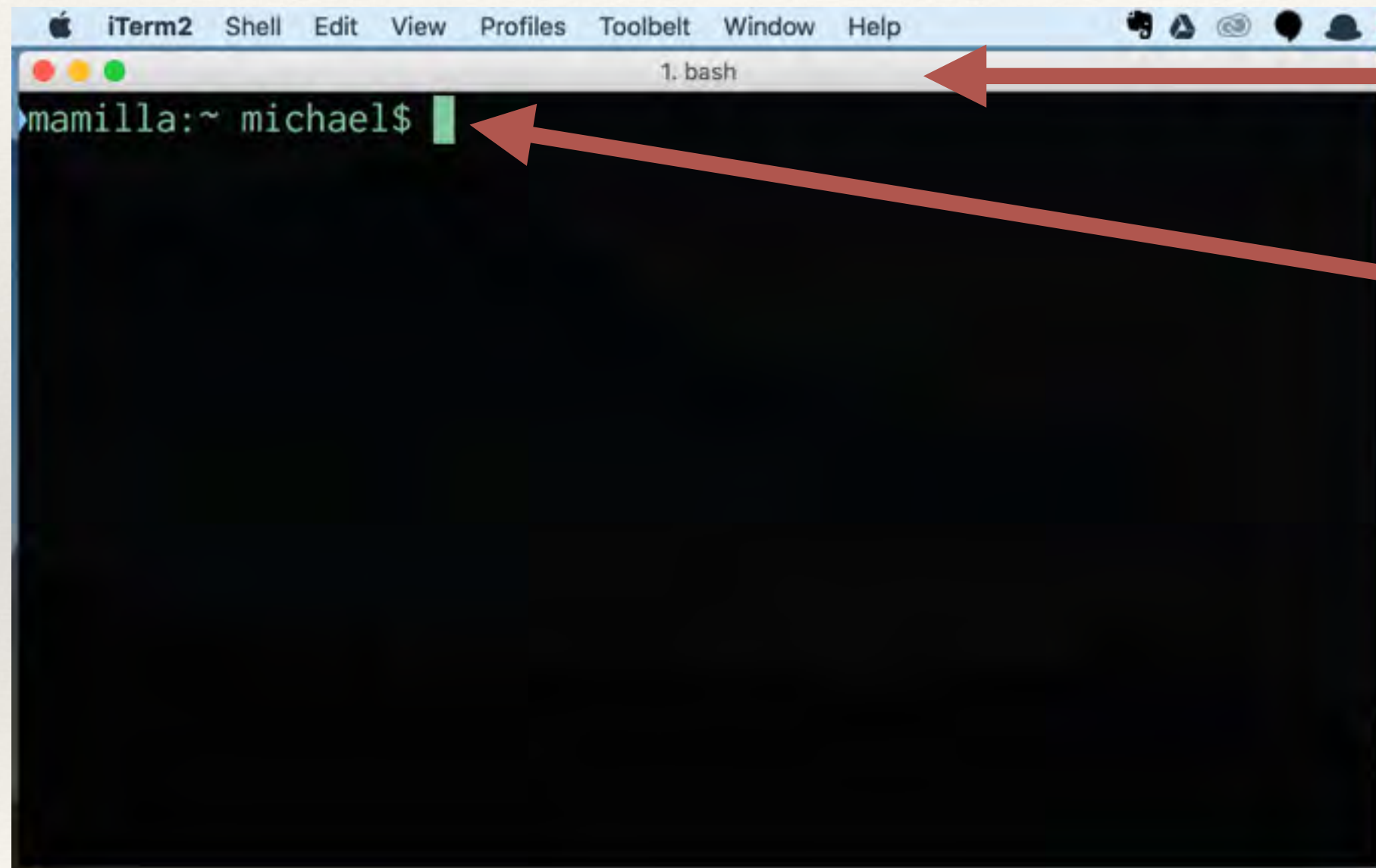


Python

Don't Use Python IDLE (it is not good)



Unix Environment



Terminal

Shell (Bash)

Some Must-Know Bash Commands

- ❖ `ls -l -a`
- ❖ `find . -name "*.py"`
- ❖ `|` [aka pipe]
- ❖ `whereis`
- ❖ `cp`
- ❖ `rm`
- ❖ `mv`
- ❖ `cat`
- ❖ `touch`
- ❖ `mkdir`
- ❖ `>` and `>>`
- ❖ `less`
- ❖ `chmod`
- ❖ `vi` [vim]

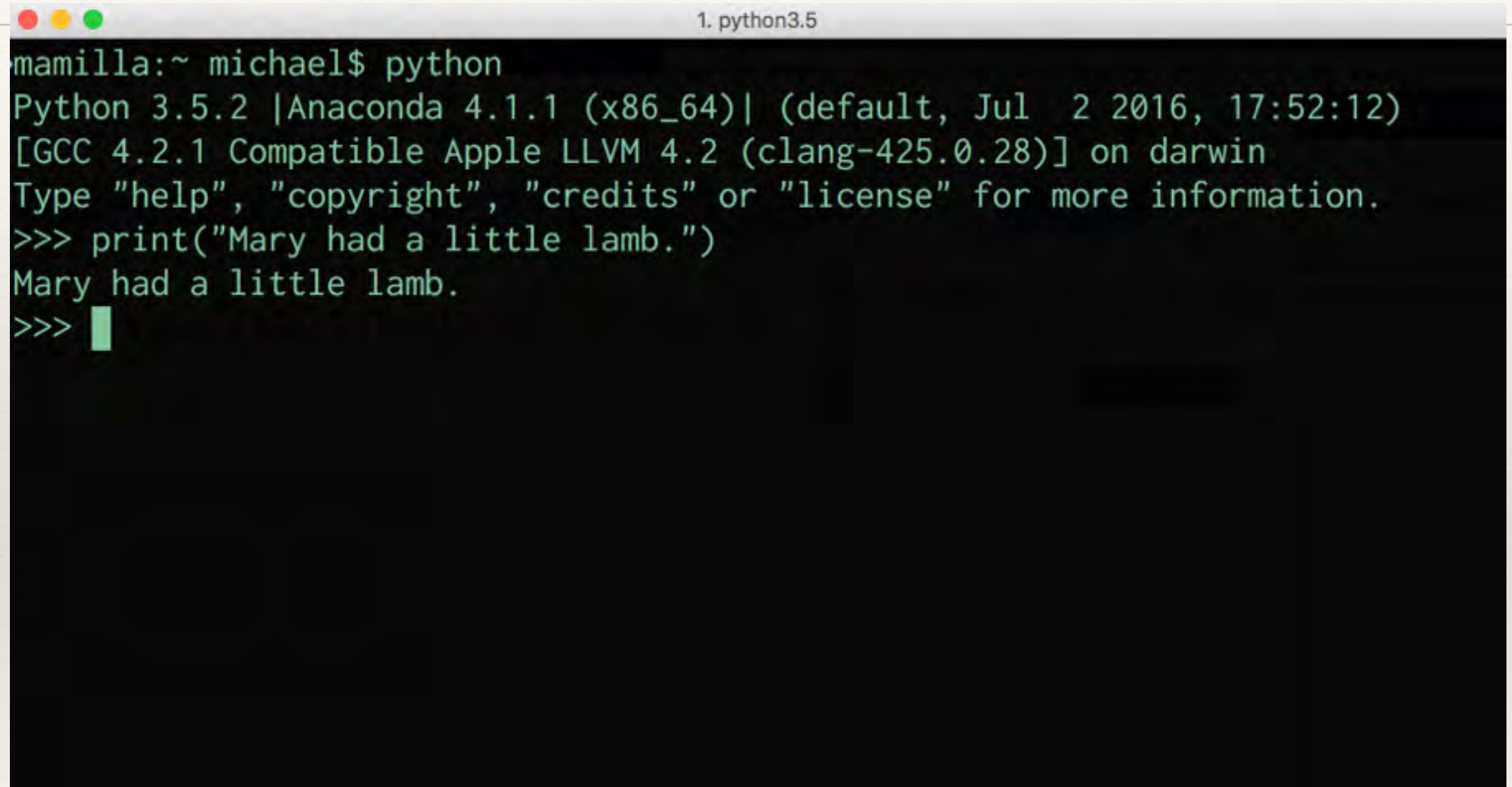
Totally Useless Bash Commands

- ❖ Cowsay
- ❖ locate
- ❖ fortune

```
mamilla:~ michael$ fortune | cowsay | lolcat
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/ "Our vision is to speed up time, \
| eventually eliminating it."      |
|                                  |
\ -- Alex Schure                    /
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mamilla:~ michael$
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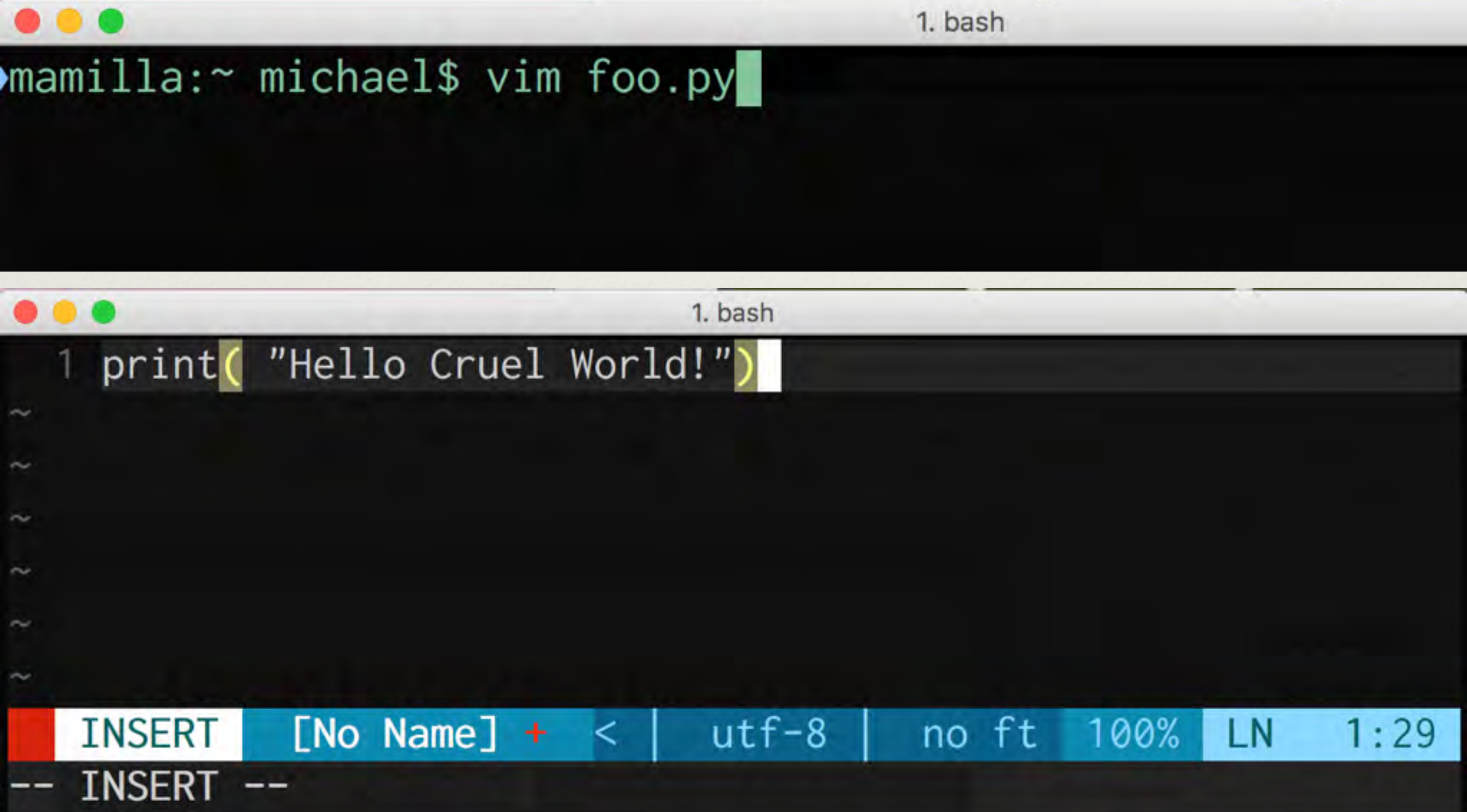
Python Shell (in Bash in Terminal)

A screenshot of a macOS terminal window titled "1. python3.5". The prompt is "mamilla:~ michael\$". The user has entered "python", which has started a Python 3.5.2 shell. The shell displays version information: "Python 3.5.2 |Anaconda 4.1.1 (x86_64)| (default, Jul 2 2016, 17:52:12) [GCC 4.2.1 Compatible Apple LLVM 4.2 (clang-425.0.28)] on darwin". It then prompts the user with "Type 'help', 'copyright', 'credits' or 'license' for more information." The user enters ">>> print('Mary had a little lamb.')" and the shell outputs "Mary had a little lamb." followed by a new prompt ">>>".

```
mamilla:~ michael$ python
Python 3.5.2 |Anaconda 4.1.1 (x86_64)| (default, Jul 2 2016, 17:52:12)
[GCC 4.2.1 Compatible Apple LLVM 4.2 (clang-425.0.28)] on darwin
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> print("Mary had a little lamb.")
Mary had a little lamb.
>>> 
```

Not so useful. No history.

Create Edit Python File in vim (atom)



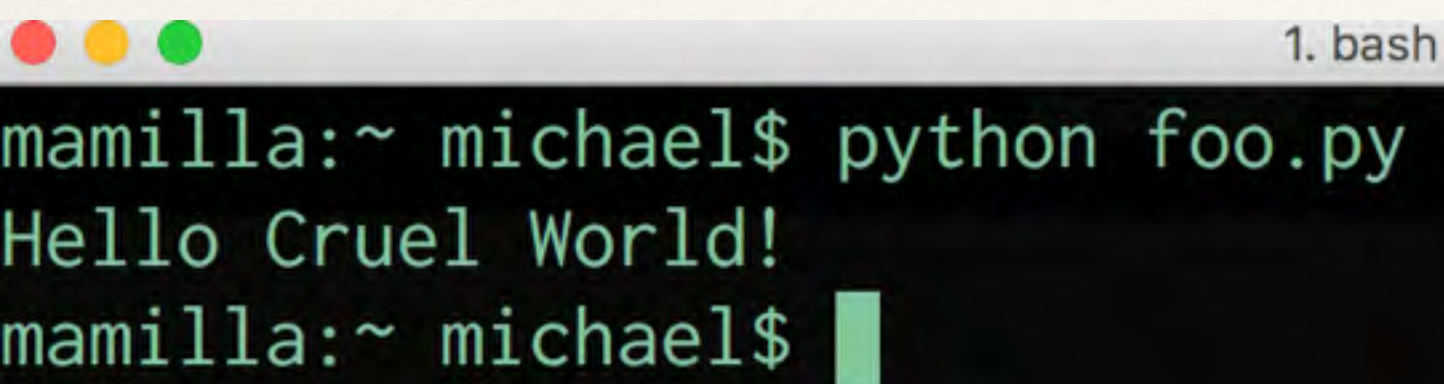
The image consists of two screenshots of a terminal window. The top screenshot shows a terminal window with a title bar containing three colored circles (red, yellow, green) and the text "1. bash". The terminal prompt is "mamilla:~ michael\$ vim foo.py". The bottom screenshot shows the same terminal window with the vim editor open. The first line of the file is "1 print("Hello Cruel World!")". The status bar at the bottom of the vim window displays "INSERT [No Name] + < | utf-8 | no ft 100% LN 1:29" and "-- INSERT --".

```
mamilla:~ michael$ vim foo.py
```

```
1 print( "Hello Cruel World!")
```

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-- INSERT --

run using “python”



A terminal window with a title bar containing three colored buttons (red, yellow, green) and the text "1. bash". The terminal content shows a user prompt "mamilla:~ michael\$" followed by the command "python foo.py", the output "Hello Cruel World!", and another prompt "mamilla:~ michael\$" with a green cursor bar.

```
1. bash
mamilla:~ michael$ python foo.py
Hello Cruel World!
mamilla:~ michael$ █
```

Better Shell Ipython

```
mamilla:~ michael$ ipython
Python 3.5.2 |Anaconda 4.1.1 (x86_64)| (default, Jul  2 2016, 17:52:12)
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.

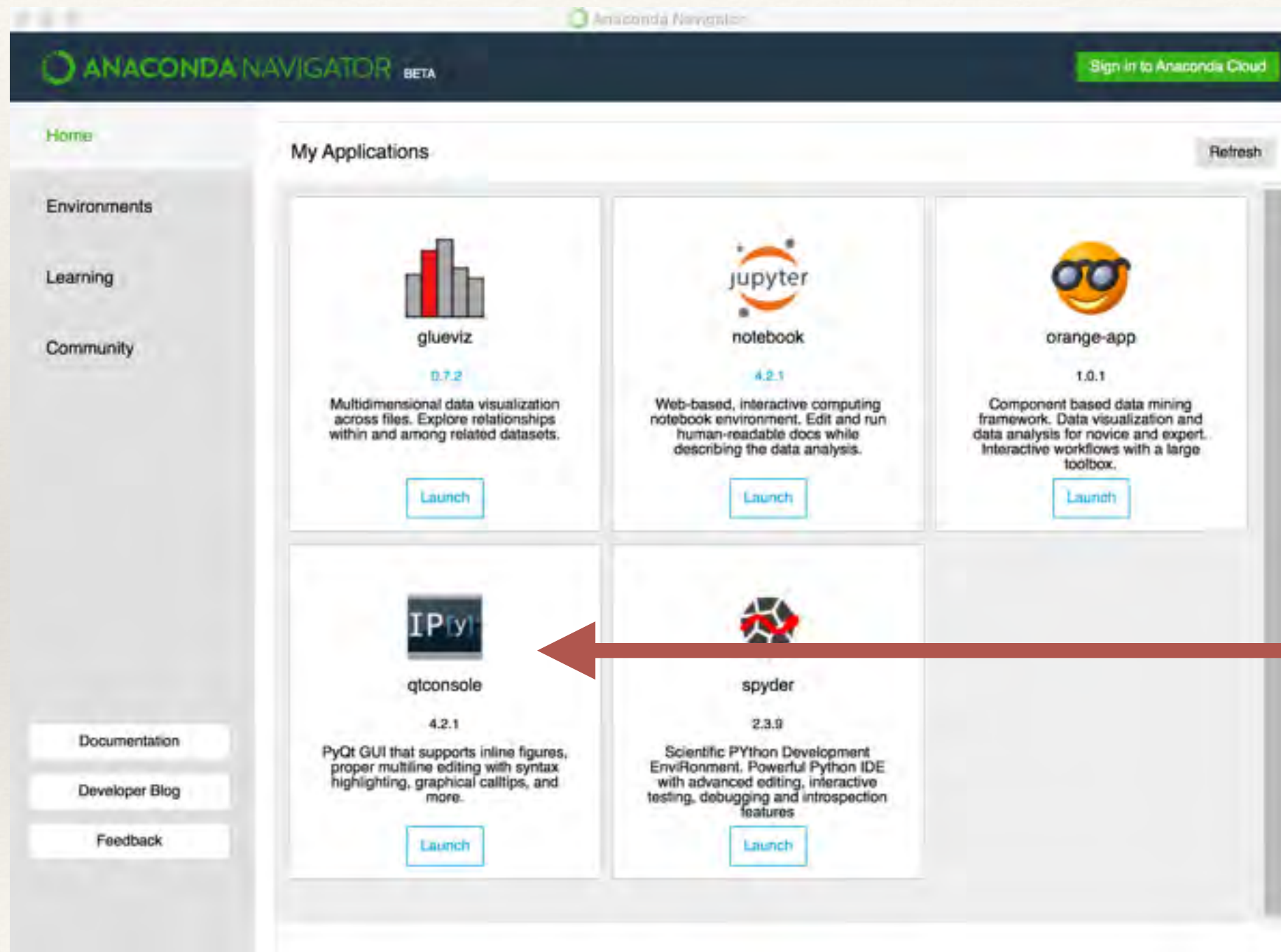
IPython 4.2.0 -- An enhanced Interactive Python.
?                -> Introduction and overview of IPython's features.
%quickref        -> Quick reference.
help             -> Python's own help system.
object?         -> Details about 'object', use 'object??' for extra details.

In [1]: █
```

Lots of features (including history)

Launch from terminal OR launch from anaconda

Ipython via Anaconda



Simple
Ipython
Shell

Basic Ipython

Access to shell:

ls

pwd

!ls

History:

[1] each command

control-p / -n

Help:

print? [gets help]

Magic:

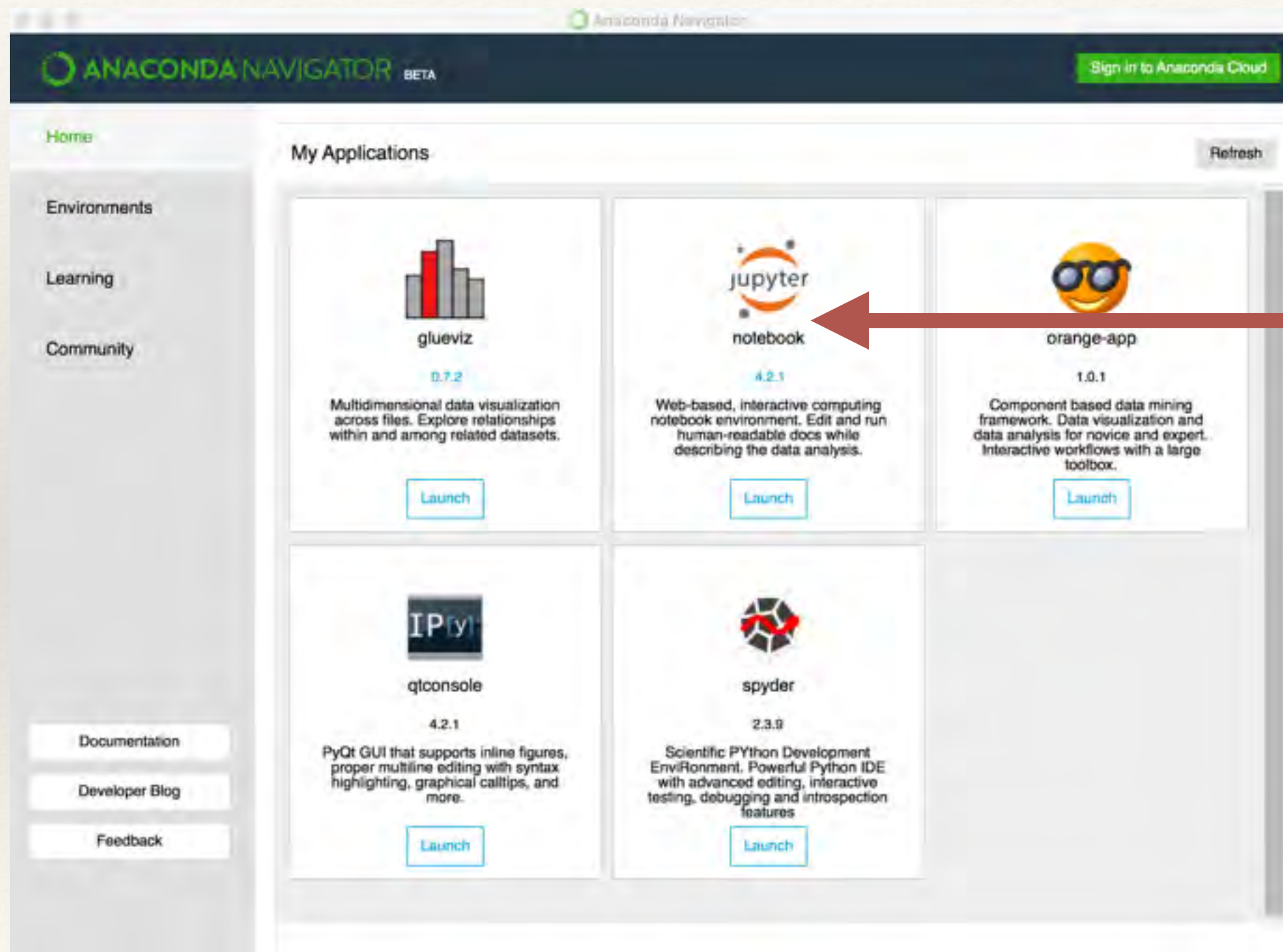
%lsmagic

%automagic

IPython

- ❖ IPython a Python Shell (we'll talk about Jupyter later)

Jupyter Notebook: from anaconda

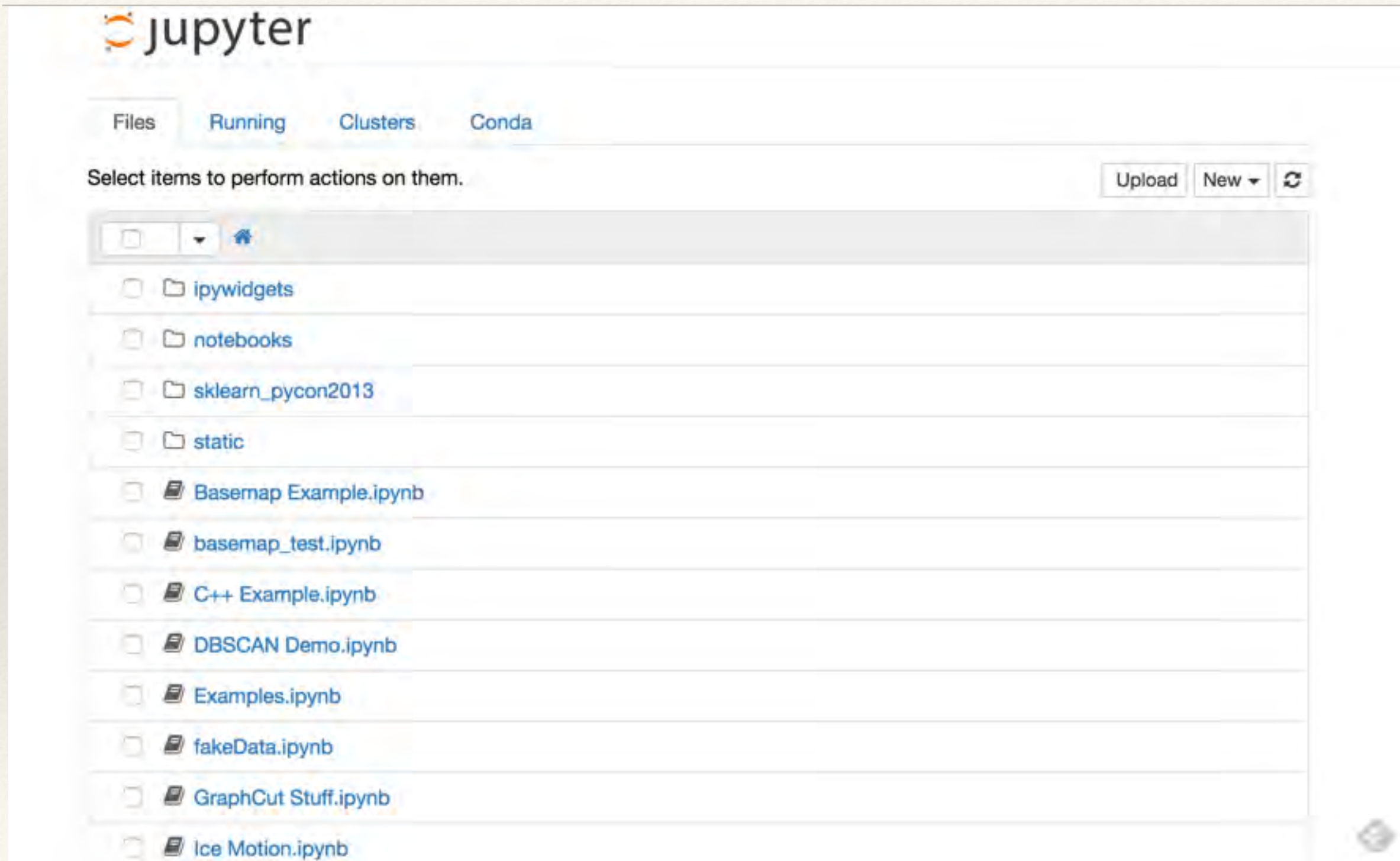


Run
Notebook
Server

Jupyter Notebook: from shell

```
mamilla:ipythonnb michael$ jupyter notebook
[W 12:43:33.949 NotebookApp] Unrecognized JSON config file version, assuming version 1
[I 12:43:34.595 NotebookApp] [nb_conda_kernels] enabled, 2 kernels found
[I 12:43:35.193 NotebookApp] ✓ nbpresent HTML export ENABLED
[W 12:43:35.193 NotebookApp] ✗ nbpresent PDF export DISABLED: No module named 'nbbrowserpdf'
[I 12:43:35.236 NotebookApp] [nb_anacondacloud] enabled
[I 12:43:35.240 NotebookApp] [nb_conda] enabled
[I 12:43:35.247 NotebookApp] Serving notebooks from local directory: /Users/michael/ipythonnb
[I 12:43:35.247 NotebookApp] 0 active kernels
[I 12:43:35.247 NotebookApp] The Jupyter Notebook is running at: http://localhost:8888/
[I 12:43:35.247 NotebookApp] Use Control-C to stop this server and shut down all kernels (twice to skip confirmation).
[W 12:43:36.714 NotebookApp] /Users/michael/ipythonnb/DV59969S16 doesn't exist
[W 12:43:36.715 NotebookApp] /Users/michael/ipythonnb/DV83060S16 doesn't exist
```


Jupyter Notebooks: Directory



The screenshot displays the Jupyter web interface. At the top left is the Jupyter logo. Below it are four tabs: 'Files' (selected), 'Running', 'Clusters', and 'Conda'. A message 'Select items to perform actions on them.' is shown on the left, and 'Upload', 'New', and a refresh icon are on the right. The main area shows a file browser with a home icon and a list of files and folders. The files are: 'ipywidgets', 'notebooks', 'sklearn_pycon2013', 'static', 'Basemap Example.ipynb', 'basemap_test.ipynb', 'C++ Example.ipynb', 'DBSCAN Demo.ipynb', 'Examples.ipynb', 'fakeData.ipynb', 'GraphCut Stuff.ipynb', and 'Ice Motion.ipynb'. Each item has a checkbox on the left and a folder or file icon.

jupyter

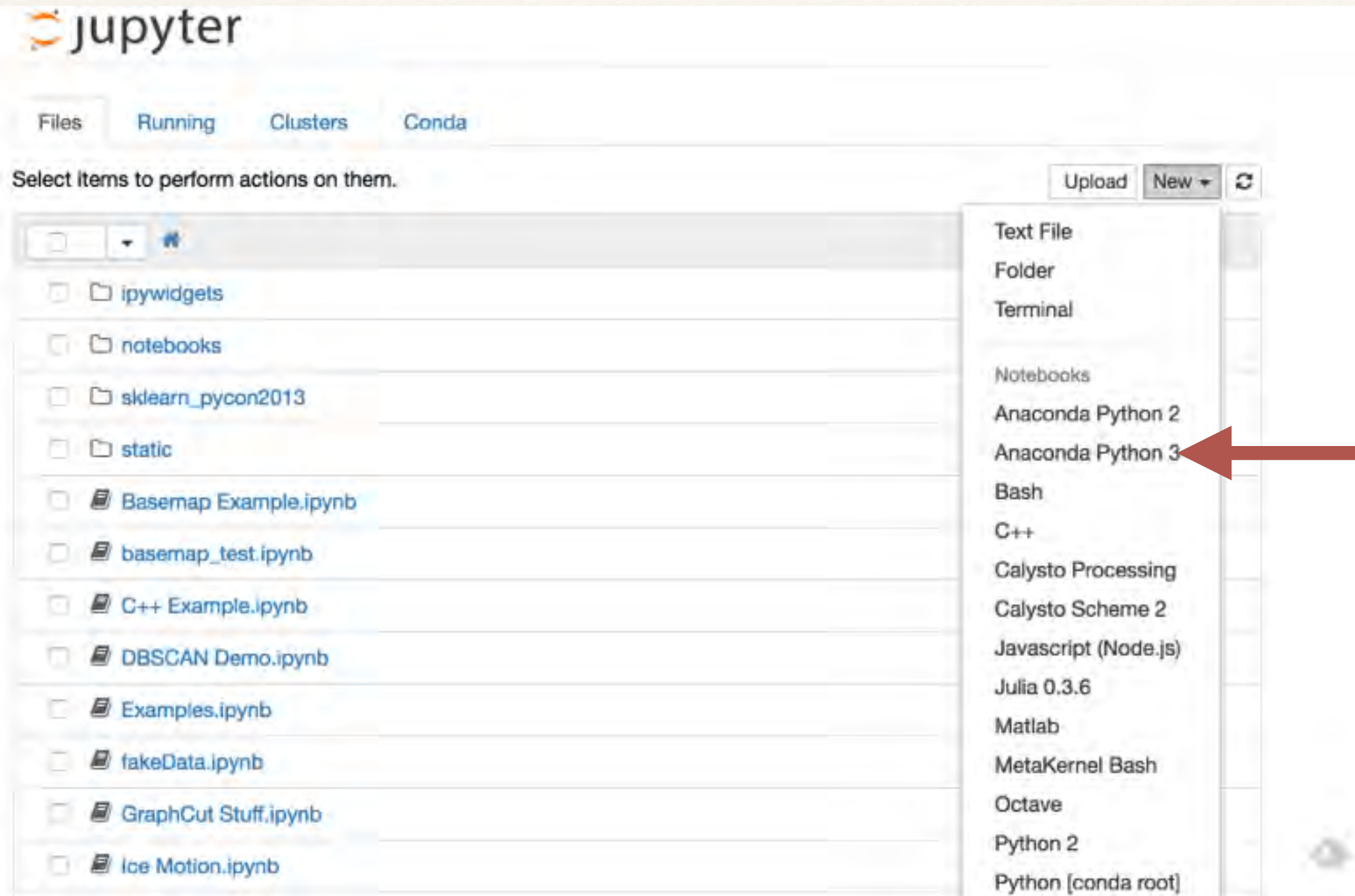
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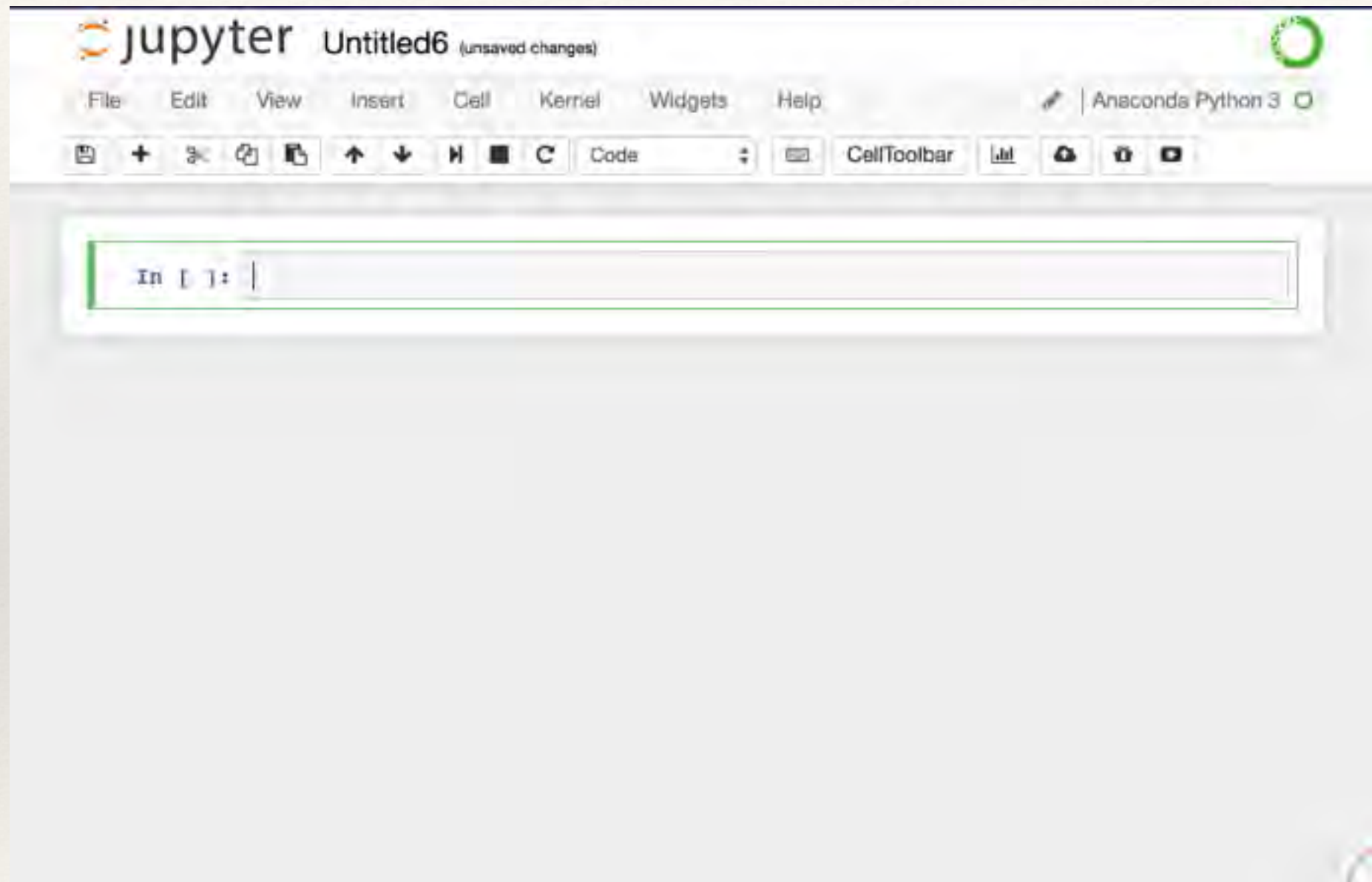
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Jupyter Notebooks: Launch



Start
Ipython
Notebook

Jupyter notebook with ipython kernel



Perfect for exploration experiments and tutorials

Basic DS Python Stack (know well)



IP[y]:
IPython



Data Science From Scratch

- ❖ Chapter 2: Python Crash Course