Python for Data Science 2

Lab 1

Operating System

- Software system that manages the computer hardware and software and provides common services for programs.
 - Sharing of resource between programs: processor, memory, storage, ...
 - Intermediary between programs and hardware.
 - Provides Application Program Interface (API) / Software Development Kit (SDK) for building programs and interfacing them with OS.
- Examples: Windows, MacOS, Linux, iOS, Android, ...
- Modern OSs are Multi-tasking: allow multiple programs to simultaneously run.
 - Each program ~ a process.
 - Pre-emptive multitasking: the OS gives slice of CPU time to each process.

Unix

- Multitasking, Multi-user, OS originally developed in 1970 by AT&T Bell Labs to run on mainframes with many connected terminals.
 - Written in C programming language.
- Many modern operating systems, including MacOS and Linux, implement Unix standards.
- "Unix Philosophy"
 - Plain text data storage.
 - Hierarchical file system.
 - Devices and inter-process communication via files
 - Main program that runs is the *kernel*.
 - Primary user interface is a command-line interpreter, called a shell.
 - Modular:
 - lots of small programs serve as tools
 - strung together via the command-line interpreter
 - passing information between each other via pipes

Operating Systems

- Linux- implementation of a Unix Kernel
 - Distributions- Packaging Linux Kernel with rest of OS software (mostly from GNU project)
 - Examples: RedHat, Debian, Ubuntu, CentOS, ...
- **BSD** implementation of Unix Kernel + full OS
- MacOS- Officially certified as Unix
 - Built on BSD + Apple Kernel + Custom Apple Modules + Mac Interface
- iOS- Shares a lot with MacOS
- Windows
 - Windows Subsystem for Linux

Mixing OSs

- Each operation system has different API/SDK that allow programs to interact with the computer and its components.
- All the Unix-base OS can compile and execute any basic Unix program that do not rely on any additional APIs provided by the OS.
- How can you run a program from OS A (e.g. Linux) to run on OS B (Windows)?
 - Two things to think about:
 - Difference in OS API/SDK
 - Difference in Architecture (e.g. x86 vs ARM)
- Approaches:
 - Wrapper- Thin layer that presents OS A's API to programs, but wraps OS B's APIs.
 - WSL 1: used this approach to enable running Linux programs in Windows
 - Wine: similar approach enabling running Windows in Unix
 - Translation- In case of same OS but different Architecture, convert machine code from A to B.
 - Rosetta (Mac OS transition from PowerPC → Intel) did on the fly translation.
 - Rosetta 2 (Mac OS transition from Intel → Apple M1) translates Intel code to ARM first time you run.
 - Virtual Machine- An application that simulates (usually with help from underlying OS and hardware) a computer and it's components
 - "Image" files on host machine appear as storage devices
 - For example: Create image file, boot VM, install OS into image file.
 - WSL 2: Uses VMs to run an actual Linux kernel.
 - You can use VM software to run one OS inside of another (e.g. Parallels or VMWare for running Windows programs on the Mac)
 - Hypervisor- Separates computer resources and simultaneously runs several VMs
 - For example in the cloud
 - Container- Encapsulates everything needed to run specific software (including OS), but shares same Kernel and Resources between containers (and possibly host OS).
 - Much less resource intensive than a VM

Windows Subsystem for Linux

+ Data Science Stack

- 1. Enable Windows Linux Subsystem
 - Settings → Apps → Programs and Features → Turn Features on or off → Windows Subsystem for Linux
- 2. Install Ubuntu 20 LTS
 - Windows App Store
- 3. Startup Ubuntu (starts a shell)
 - First time will ask for username/password to make an account
- 4. Update package list
 - sudo apt-get update
- 5. sudo apt-get install <package_name>
 - python3, python3-pip
- 6. Close are open Ubuntu Shell (sets up path correctly)
- 7. sudo pip3 install <package_name>
 - numpy, matplotlib, pandas, jupyter
- 8. run: jupyter notebook
 - Copy/paste link into browser

Questions...

- Whats the difference between the Internet and the World Wide Web?
 - Explain the relations between Web server, HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol), browser?
 - What is a Denial of Service attack?
- What are the components of a Data Center?
 - power (UPS) / cooling
 - network
 - storage
 - compute
 - services, for example database
- What is Cloud computing?
 - What is Virtualization?
 - Explain difference between a Virtual Image, a Virtual Machine, Virtualization, and a Hypervisor?
 - What is Containerization?
- Whats the difference between a Data Center and a Supercomputer (aka High Performance Computing)?
- What's the difference between a CPU and an accelerator like a GPU?