**Installing Python and Jupyter Notebooks**

Anaconda is an easy-to-install, bundled distribution of python, numpy, pandas, ipython/jupyter etc. It’s generally the simplest way to get all of this software up-and-running on your laptop. Try the following:

**A)** Select the right installer based on the system you are using (Windows, Mac, or Linux) from <http://continuum.io/downloads> . Be sure to install python 2.7, not python 3.

**B)** Follow the instructions to install the downloaded package (Windows and Mac have GUI based installers).

**C)** Open a terminal (Macs and Linux systems)/command prompt (PC), and run the following commands individually:

1. conda update conda
2. conda update jupyter
3. conda install -c r r-essentials
4. conda install –c r r-irkernel

**D)** To check if this worked correctly, open a terminal/command prompt and type “jupyter notebook”. A web browser tab should open with the jupyter notebook interface.

**E)** We’ll be making the default python plots prettier by using the seaborn package. You need to install that separately with the command “conda install seaborn” or "pip install seaborn" either in a Windows command prompt or Mac terminal.