

Improving Your Python Programming Experience

**Tools and Tricks to
Make Your Life Easier**

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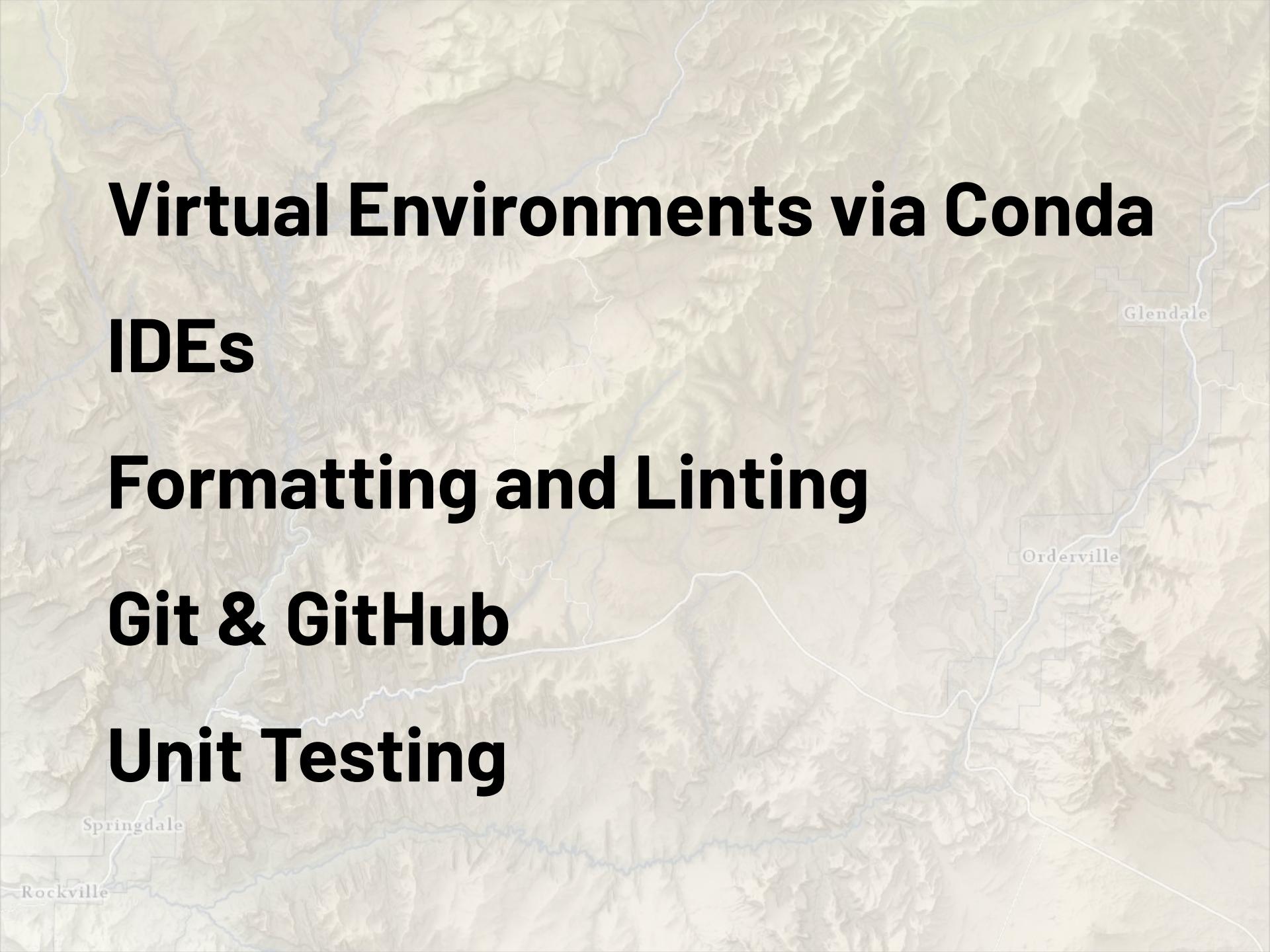
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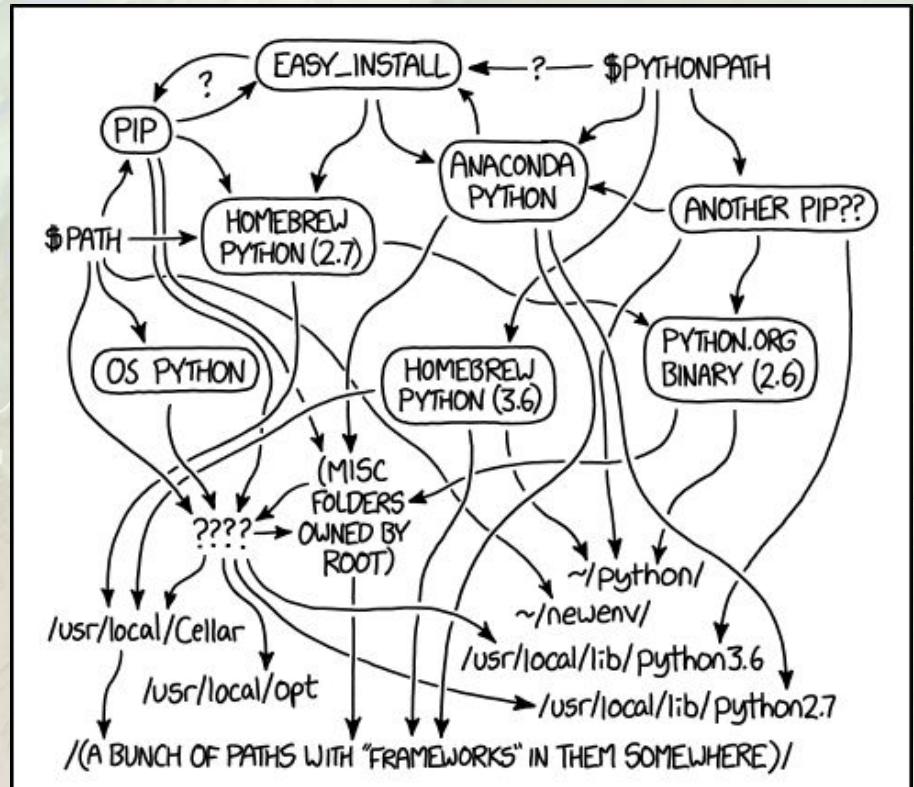
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Managing Your Environments With CONDA



MY PYTHON ENVIRONMENT HAS BECOME SO DEGRADED
THAT MY LAPTOP HAS BEEN DECLARED A SUPERFUND SITE.

```
(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>conda env list
# conda environments:
#
base          C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python
arcgispro-py3 * C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\arcgispro-py3
auditor        C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\auditor
erapskid       C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\erapskid
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housing        C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\housing
palletjack     C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\palletjack
rural          C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\rural
supervisor     C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\supervisor
test           C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\test
ugic           C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\ugic
upython        C:\Users\jdadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\upython
```

Conda virtual environments: separate sandboxes for your projects



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Create a new, blank environment:

```
(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>conda create -n test
```

Clone an existing environment:

```
(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>conda create -n test --clone arcgispro-py3
```

Activate an environment:

```
(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>activate test  
(test) c:\gis>
```

Delete an environment:

```
(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>conda env remove -n test
```

List installed packages:

```
(test) c:\gis>conda list
```

Install a package via conda:

```
(test) c:\gis>conda install yapf
```

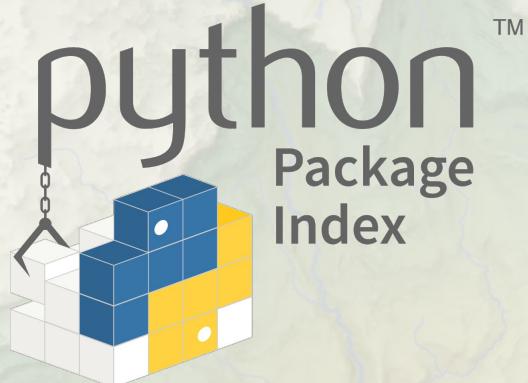
Install a package via pip:

```
(test) c:\gis>pip install ugrc-palletjack
```

Install arcpy via conda:

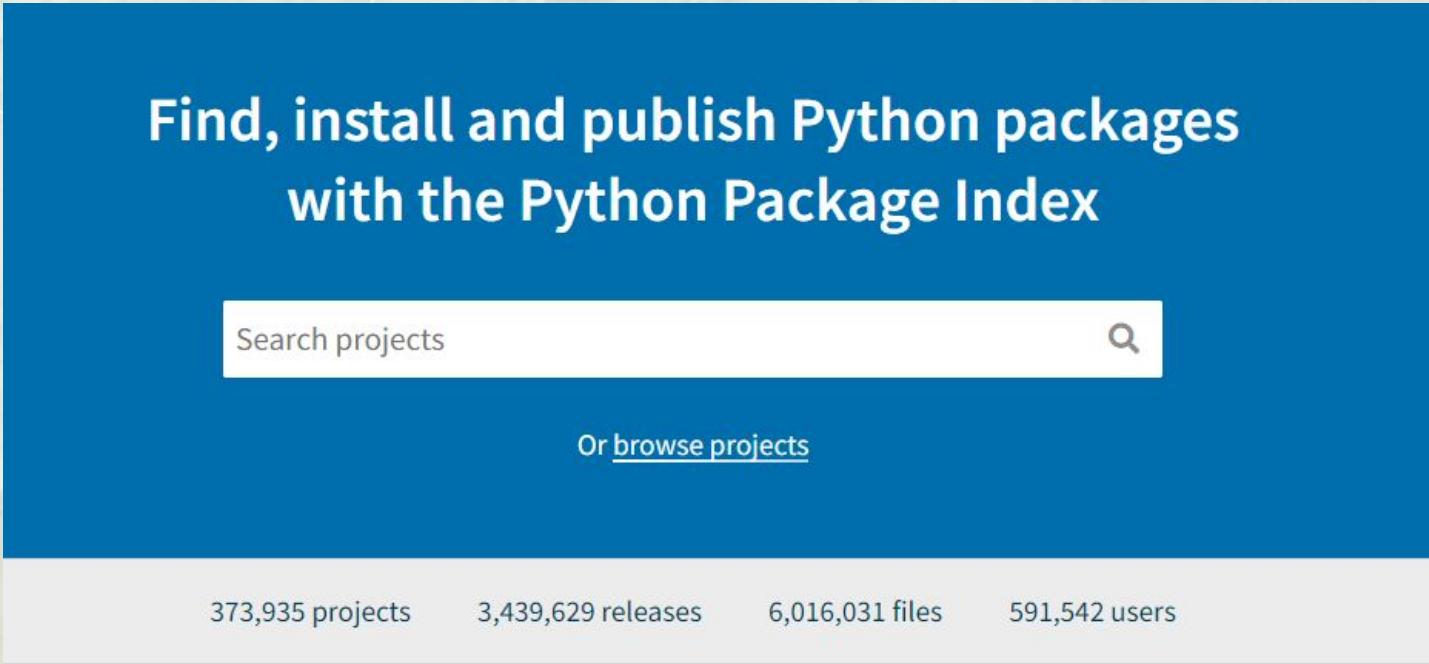
```
(test) c:\gis>conda install arcpy -c esri
```

CONDA vs



- Installs Python
- Many channels
- Manages environments
- Installed with ArcGIS Pro
- Requires Python
- More packages
- Easy to automate dependencies
- Easily install local packages

Packaging Your Code

A screenshot of the Python Package Index (PyPI) homepage. The background is a light blue color with a faint map of Colorado and the city of Boulder. The main title "Find, install and publish Python packages with the Python Package Index" is centered in white text. Below it is a search bar with the placeholder "Search projects" and a magnifying glass icon. Underneath the search bar is a link "Or [browse projects](#)". At the bottom of the page, there is a white footer bar with four pieces of information: "373,935 projects", "3,439,629 releases", "6,016,031 files", and "591,542 users".

Find, install and publish Python packages
with the Python Package Index

Search projects

Or [browse projects](#)

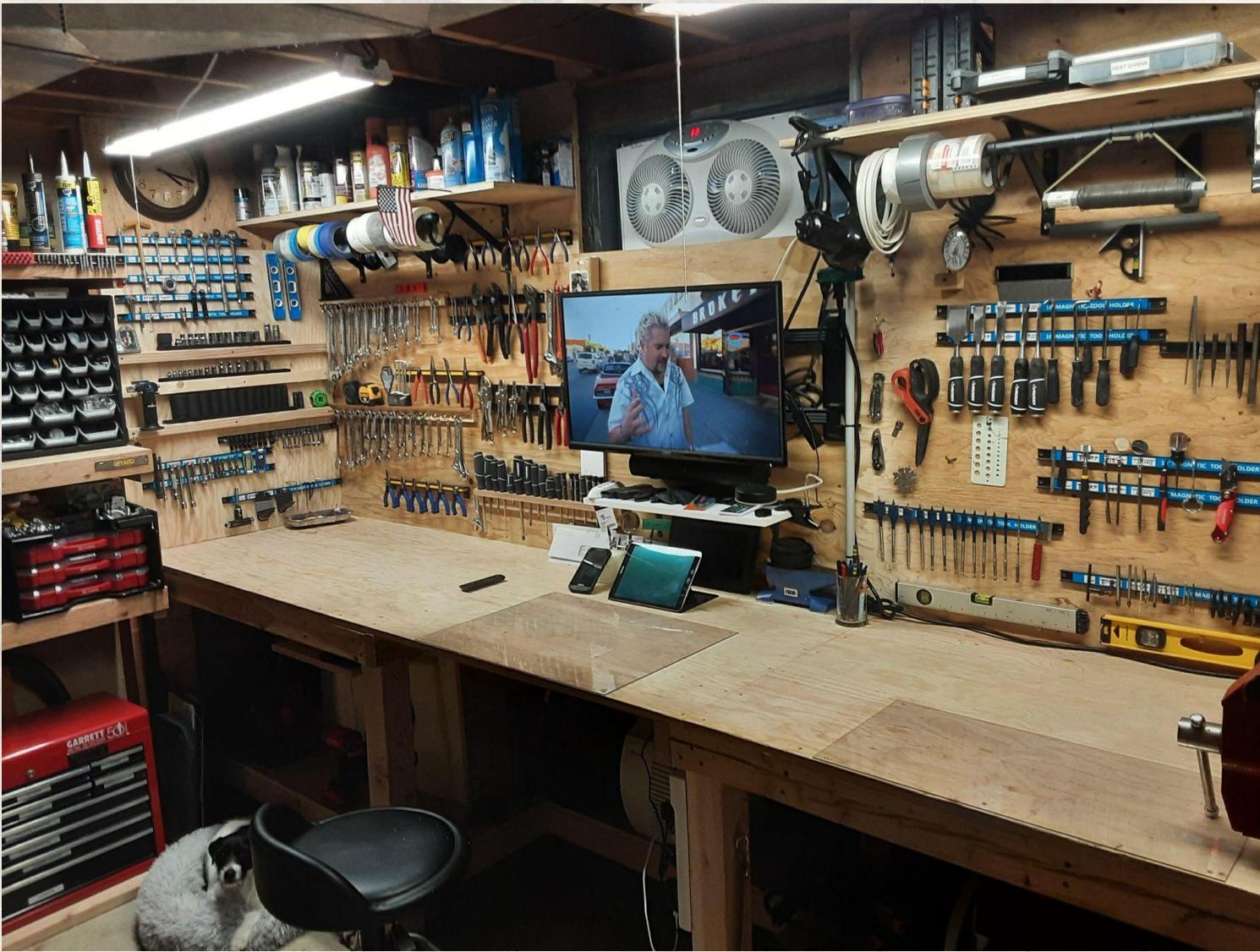
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Configuration: `setup.py`

Local Installation: `pip install -e . [tests]`

Distribution: Upload to PyPi

Writing with an IDE



https://www.reddit.com/r/Workbenches/comments/lsl4v0/small_but_gets_it_done/

Visual Studio Code:

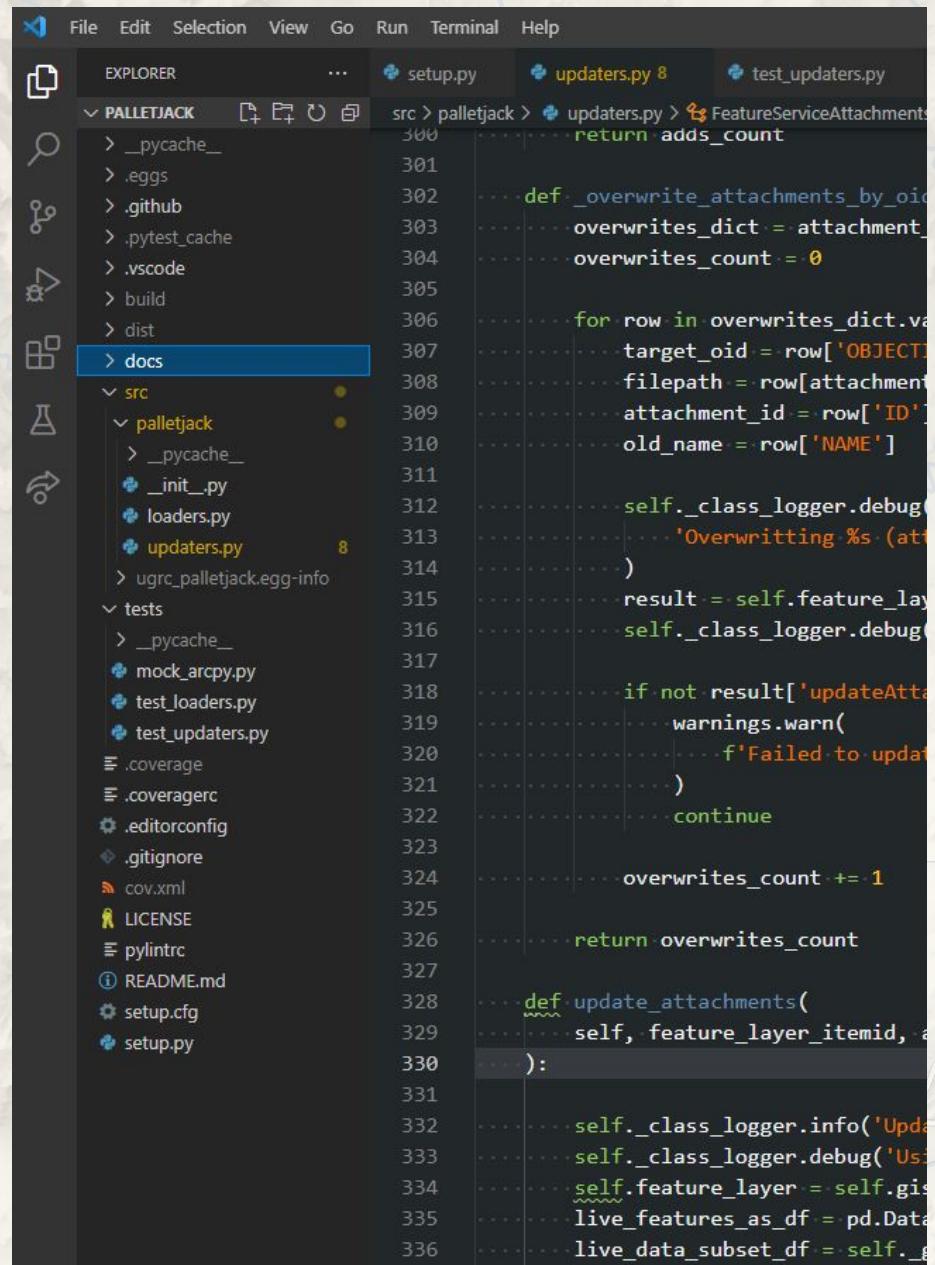
ONE IDE



TO RULE THEM ALL

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- Code hinting
- Highlighting
- Multi-select
- Go to definition
- Extensions
- Renaming
- Debugging



The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code interface with the following details:

- File Explorer (Left):** Shows the project structure for "PALLETJACK". The "docs" folder is currently selected.
- Editor (Right):** Displays the content of the "updaters.py" file at line 8. The code is as follows:

```

    File Edit Selection View Go Run Terminal Help

    EXPLORER ... setup.py updaters.py 8 test_updaters.py

    PALLETJACK ...
    > __pycache__
    > .eggs
    > .github
    > .pytest_cache
    > .vscode
    > build
    > dist
    > docs
    > src
        > palletjack
            > __pycache__
            & _init_.py
            & loaders.py
            & updaters.py 8
            > ugrc_palletjack.egg-info
        > tests
            > __pycache__
            & mock arcpy.py
            & test_loaders.py
            & test_updaters.py
        .coverage
        .coveragerc
        .editorconfig
        .gitignore
        cov.xml
        LICENSE
        pylintrc
        README.md
        setup.cfg
        setup.py

    300     return adds_count
    301
    302     def _overwrite_attachments_by_oid(
    303         overwrites_dict=attachment_
    304         overwrites_count = 0
    305
    306         for row in overwrites_dict.v
    307             target_oid = row['OBJECTID']
    308             filepath = row[attachment_
    309             attachment_id = row['ID']
    310             old_name = row['NAME']
    311
    312             self._class_logger.debug(
    313                 'Overwriting %s (att
    314             )
    315             result = self.feature_lay
    316             self._class_logger.debug(
    317
    318             if not result['updateAtt
    319             warnings.warn(
    320                 f'Failed to update
    321             )
    322             continue
    323
    324             overwrites_count += 1
    325
    326             return overwrites_count
    327
    328     def update_attachments(
    329         self, feature_layer_itemid, a
    330     ):
    331
    332         self._class_logger.info('Upda
    333         self._class_logger.debug('Usi
    334         self.feature_layer = self.gis
    335         live_features_as_df = pd.Data
    336         live_data_subset_df = self.gis

```

Formatting & Linting



Why Code Style Matters



**THIS IS NOT THE
CODE STYLE YOU ARE LOOKING
FOR**

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Formatting vs Linting

- [PEP 8](#)
- Consistent style
- Doc strings and comments
- Performed by yapf
- Controlled by config file
`(setup.cfg, pyproject.toml, ...)`

- Detects errors and "code smell"
- Enforces good programming practices
- Performed by pylint
- Controlled by `.pylintrc`

Getting a Handle on File Names: Version Control with Git & GitHub

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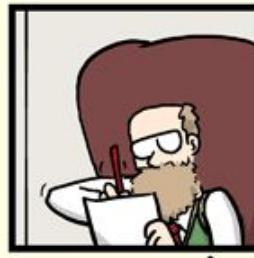
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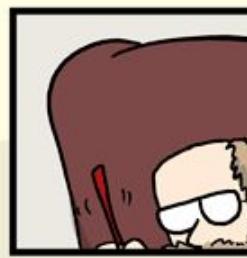
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THE MOMENT YOU REALIZE



THE TRUE MEANING OF MEASURE
TWICE, CUT ONCE.

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- Solves the `_v3_try6.py` problem
- Version control
- Branching
- CLI and desktop clients
- Distributed repositories



- Online home for repositories
- Pull Requests
- Issue tracking
- Readmes and documentation
- Continuous Integration (CI)
- A whole lot more

THIS IS GIT. IT TRACKS COLLABORATIVE WORK ON PROJECTS THROUGH A BEAUTIFUL DISTRIBUTED GRAPH THEORY TREE MODEL.

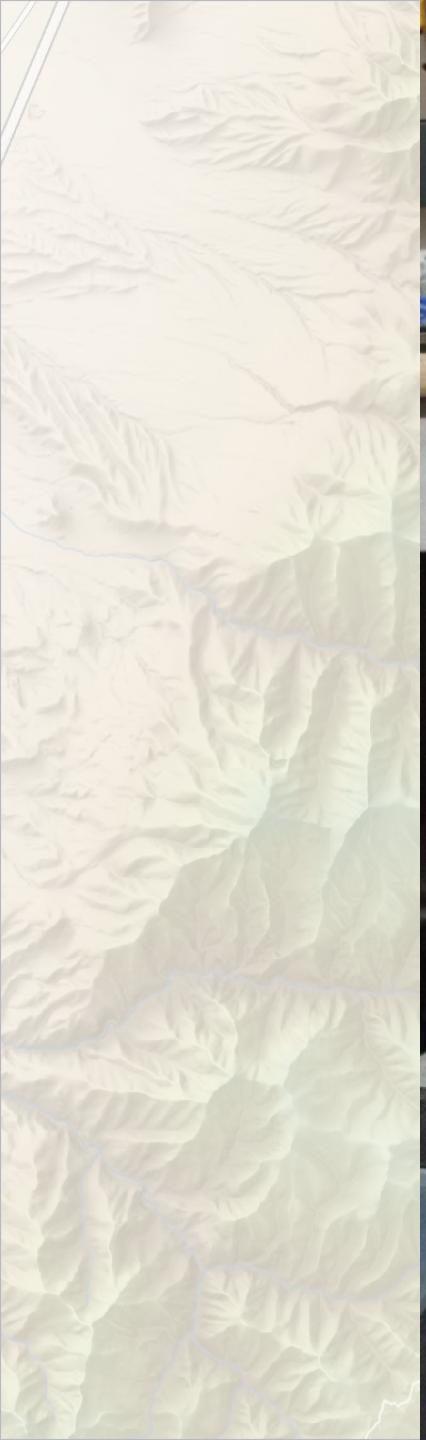
COOL. HOW DO WE USE IT?

NO IDEA. JUST MEMORIZIZE THESE SHELL COMMANDS AND TYPE THEM TO SYNC UP. IF YOU GET ERRORS, SAVE YOUR WORK ELSEWHERE, DELETE THE PROJECT, AND DOWNLOAD A FRESH COPY.



Unit Testing: Knowing When You Break Things





Benefits of Unit Tests

- Trusting your code
- Understanding your code
- Catching errors faster
 - Especially when updating
- Catching more edge cases
- Writing better code

Good Program Design

The screenshot shows a dark-themed code editor with a sidebar titled "OUTLINE". The sidebar lists several Python functions, each preceded by a small icon representing its type or category. The functions are:

- > `get_proper_built_yr_value_series`
- > `change_geometry`
- > `add_extra_info_from_csv` 1
- > `get_centroids_copy_of_polygon_df`
- > `load_and_clean_parcels`
- > `clean_dissolve_field_names`
- > `get_non_base_addr_points` ●
- > `set_common_area_types`
- > `subset_owned_unit_groupings_from_comm...`
- > `set_multi_family_single_parcel_subtypes` 2
- > `get_address_point_count_series`
- > `standardize_fields`
- > `concat_evaluated_dataframes` ●
- > `classify_from_area` 3
- > `get_common_areas_intersecting_parcel...` 2
- > `concat_cities_metro_townships`

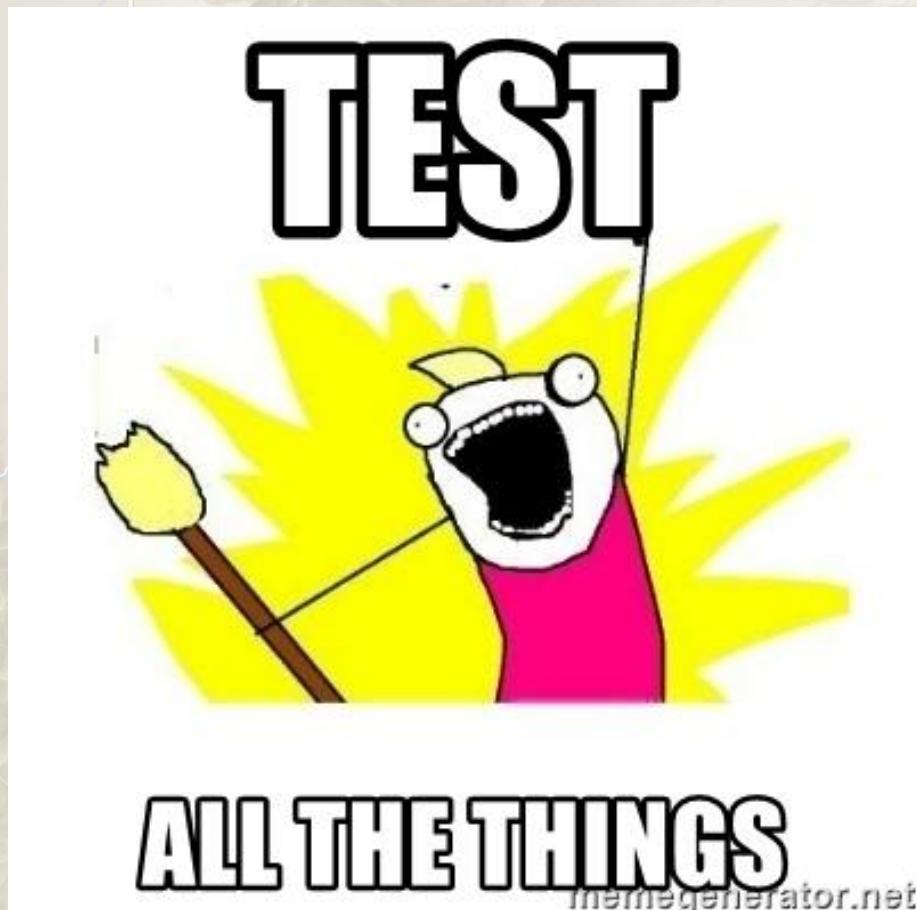
Bad Program Design

The screenshot shows a dark-themed code editor with a sidebar titled "OUTLINE". The sidebar lists several Python functions, each preceded by a small icon representing its type or category. The functions are:

- > `Chunk`
- > `sizeof_fmt` 2
- > `stretch_scale` ●
- > `ProcessSuperArray` 8
- > `lock_init` 2
- [@] `lock`
- > `ParallelRCP` +9
- [@] `args`
- [@] `all` 1
- [@] `kernel_args`
- [@] `blur_gauss_args`
- [@] `mdenoise_args`
- [@] `clahe_args`
- [@] `hs_args`
- [@] `sky_args`
- [@] `out_args`
- [@] `arguments`
- [@] `arg_dict`
- [@] `input DEM`

Basic Steps of a Unit Test

- Arrange
- Act
- Assert



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Unit Test Tools

`unittest`



`pytest-mock`

`pytest-cov`

Redmond

Salina

Aurora



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Utah Geospatial Resource Center

jadams@utah.gov

gis.utah.gov/presentations

Hideout

Oakley

Kamas

Resources

- **UGRC Python template GitHub repo**
 - <https://github.com/agrc/python>
- **Conda docs**
 - <https://docs.conda.io/en/latest/>
- **pip docs**
 - <https://pip.pypa.io/en/stable/>
- **Virtual Studio Code**
 - <https://code.visualstudio.com/docs>
- **pylint docs**
 - <https://pylint.pycqa.org/en/latest/>
- **yapf docs**
 - <https://github.com/google/yapf>

Resources

- **Git docs**
 - <https://git-scm.com/doc>
- **Some decent git tutorials**
 - <https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials>
- **GitHub docs**
 - <https://docs.github.com/en>
- **unittest.mock reference**
 - <https://docs.python.org/3/library/unittest.mock.html>
- **pytest docs**
 - <https://docs.pytest.org/en/6.2.x/contents.html>
- **pytest-mock docs**
 - <https://pypi.org/project/pytest-mock/>
- **Some patchy notes on testing**
 - <https://github.com/jacobdadam.../blob/master/pytest.md>

Resources

- **My Virtual Studio Code Extensions:**
 - autoDocstring- streamline docstring creation
 - Code Spell Checker
 - Coverage Gutters- show test coverage generated by codecov
 - Git Graph- a visually-intuitive view of your git repo
 - HTML Preview- preview HTML files in Code
 - Live Share- collaborative coding with your coworkers
 - Markdown Preview Enhanced- preview .md files
 - markdownlint- get warnings about markdown style errors
 - Rainbow CSV- color-code csv "columns" for easier display in Code
 - Rewrap- automatically wrap long comments to additional lines
 - Son of Obsidian Theme- the color theme I use