## Python Virtual Environment

## Setup

- Open a bash terminal in Mac OS
- Change the prompt if necessary:

```
o export PS1="$ "
```

• Create virtual environment named em\_ml:

```
o python3 -m venv em ml
```

- Activate the virtual environment:
  - o source em ml/bin/activate
- You will notice the prompt has changed:



• Instead of installing packages individually, pip allows you to declare all dependencies in a Requirements File. For example, you could create a requirements.txt file containing:

```
jupyter==1.0.0

lxml==4.5.1

MarkupSafe==1.1.1

matplotlib==3.3.2

notebook==6.0.3

numpy==1.18.1

openpyxl==3.0.4

pandas==1.1.2

Pillow==7.2.0

scikit-learn==0.23.2

scipy==1.4.1

seaborn==0.11.0

SQLAlchemy==1.3.18
```

- Install the python environment with the following command:
  - o python3 -m pip install -r requirements.txt
- Manually add the kernel for the environment in the following way:

```
python3 -m ipykernel install --user --name em_ml --display-name "Python (em_ml)"
```

• You will receive a message to say it's been installed:

Installed kernelspec em ml in /Users/alexeimarcilio/Library/Jupyter/kernels/em ml

- Run jupyter notebook:
  - When it opens select "New" and you will see that environment is available:



- No within the new notebook check that the package versions are correct. You will recall above that we have pandas 1.1.2 in the requirements.txt file. Let's see if it matches:
  - o Import pandas as pd and run the version method to check the version:

```
In [1]: 1 import pandas as pd
In [3]: 1 pd.__version__
Out[3]: '1.1.2'
```

- Voila, it matches, we are all good.
- Now to get started with the environment:

- o Open a terminal
- o Make sure all default environments are deactivated (twice):
  - conda deactivate
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- Activate the environment:
  - source em\_ml/bin/activate
- o Go to the folder with your current project:
  - cd Desktop/Courses/Emeritus-Machine/
- o Run jupyter notebook
- Create a new notebook by selecting the correct environment:

