

Using Python to organise my physical paper

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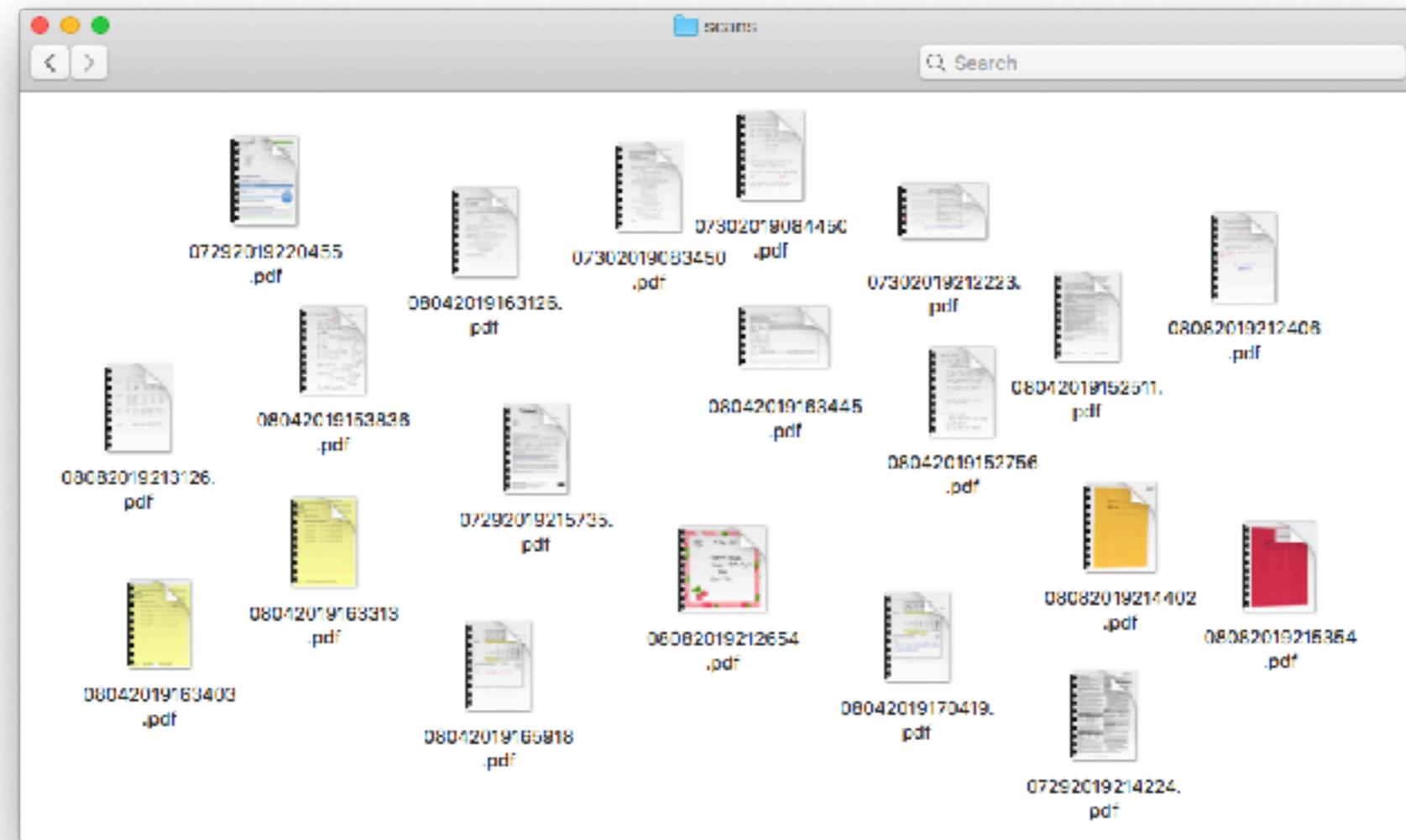
Slides: alexwlchan.net/files/2021/campug.pdf

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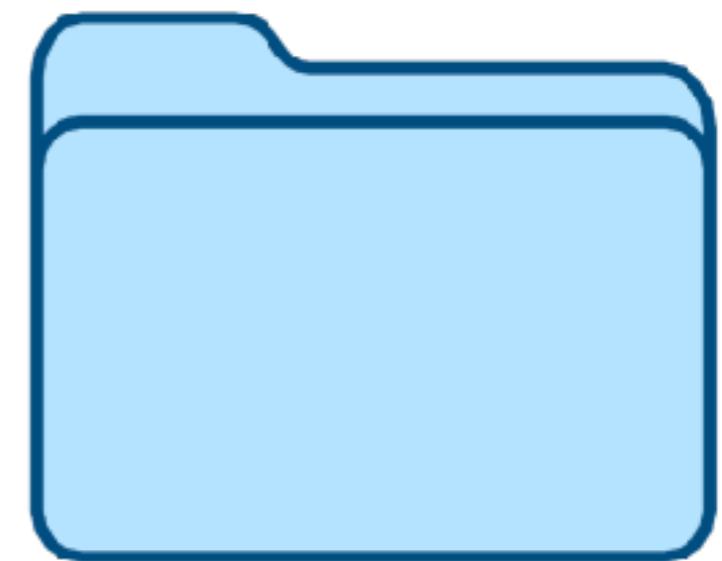
How do I want to find documents?



home

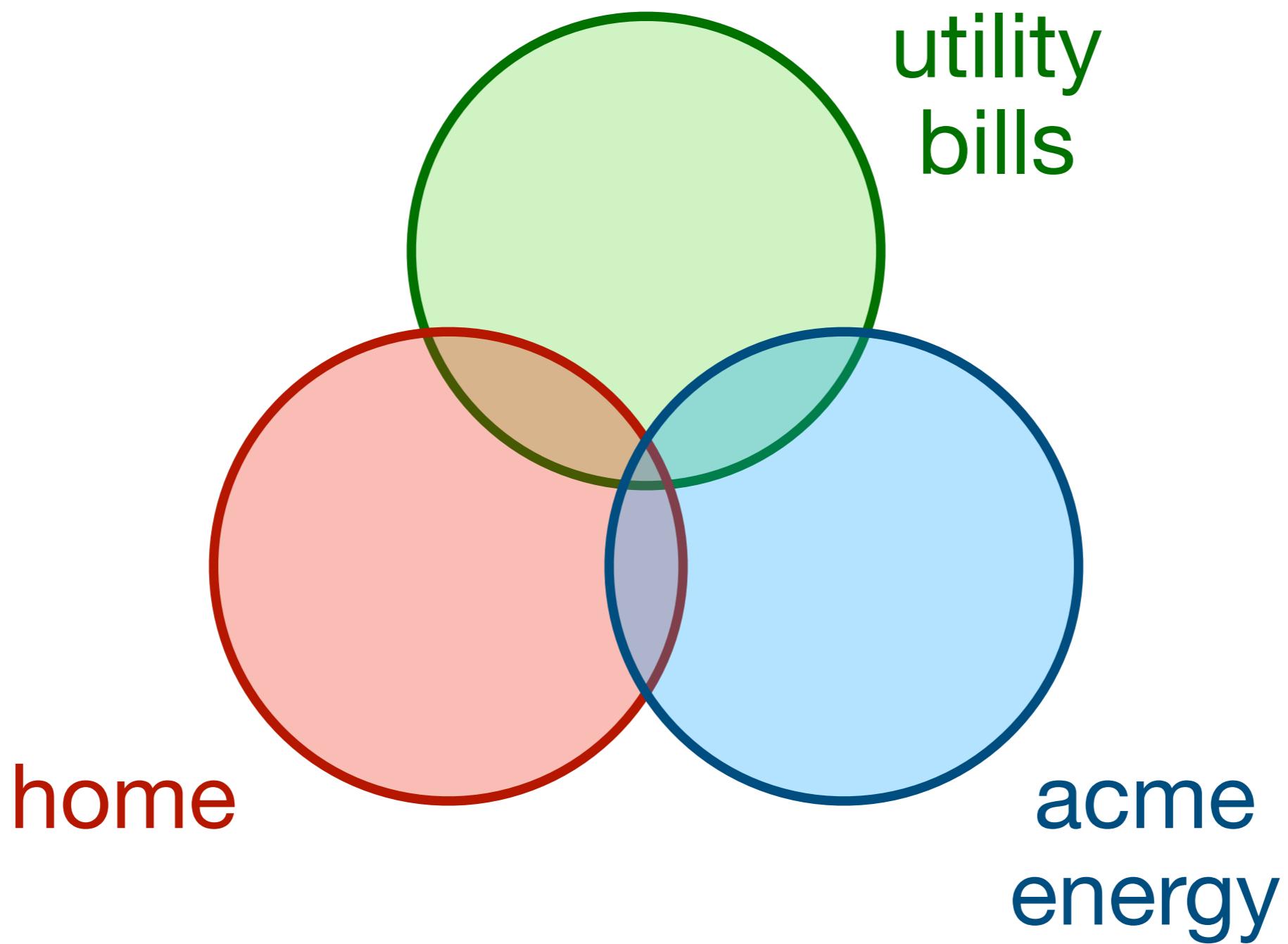


utility
bills



acme
energy

How do I want to find documents?



```
docstore add 'BillJul21.pdf' \
--source_url='https://acme.co/gas' \
--title='2021-07: Gas bill for 2021' \
--tags='home,utility-bills,acme-energy'
```

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docstore/reference

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▶ tag list
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 **For All Mankind Lunar Surface Access Module (LSAM) LEGO instructions, by SpaceXplorer**
date saved: 6 Jun 2021
source: [rebrickable.com](#)
tagged with: for-all-mankind lego sci-fi

 **Journey into our Underworld**
date saved: 17 Apr 2021
source: [www.deepstore.com](#)
tagged with: archives

 **Volcano pattern, by CrossStitchMari**
date saved: 26 Feb 2021
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 **JPEG 2000 spec**
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 **Papers from “Making IT Work” conference**
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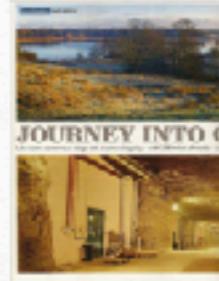
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community-safety conferences **cross-stitch-patterns** elasticsearch esu family file-format-specs for-all-mankind
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org:prospect-union personal pride-planets recipes rpg sci-fi self-improvement sketchnotes **stonewall** talks **trans-awareness-training**
trans-inclusion-policies wellcome write-the-docs

For All Mankind Lunar Surface Access Module (LSAM) LEGO Instructions, by SpaceXplorer



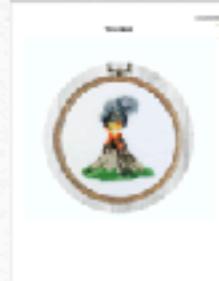
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by:CrossStitchMari by:Happinest by:Mathysphere by:ZAnnaCrossStitch **cross-stitch-patterns** music pride-planets

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 **Math Sampler pattern, by Mathysphere**
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tagged with: cross-stitch-patterns

 **Solar Eclipse cross-stitch pattern, by Mathysphere**
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source: www.lastmail.com
tagged with: cross-stitch-patterns



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by:Mathysphere cross-stitch-patterns [pride-planets](#)

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 **Trans Pride Planet pattern, by Mathysphere**
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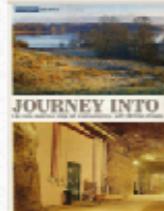
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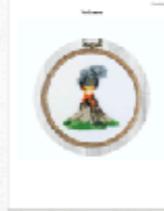
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Papers from “Making IT Work” conference



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Storing the files

Storing the metadata

Previewing the files

Wrangling the tags

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Storing the files

What should I save
these files as?

VolcanoPattern.pdf

Alex Chan_5312.pdf

UUIDs?

Statement.pdf

alex.chan@metaswitch.com>Alexander
Chan>Paylip November 2014–2015.PDF

V5C:3 scrappage note.pdf

VolcanoPattern.pdf

↳ volcanopattern.pdf

I don't store files under
their original filenames

Alex Chan_5312.pdf

↳ alex_chan_5312.pdf

Statement.pdf

↳ statement.pdf, statement_aea1.pdf, ...

alex.chan@metaswitch.com > Alexander Chan > Payslip

November 2014–2015.PDF

↳ alex_chan_metaswitch_com_alexander_chan_payslip_
november_2014–2015.pdf

V5C:3 scrappage note.pdf

↳ v53_c_scrappage_note.pdf

unidecode

```
>>> import unidecode  
  
>>> unidecode.unidecode("Statement.pdf")  
"Statement.pdf"  
  
>>> unidecode.unidecode("ACME™ Corp Shipping note")  
"ACME(tm) Corp Shipping note"  
  
>>> unidecode.unidecode("Alex Chan>Payslip Nov.PDF")  
"Alex Chan>Payslip Nov.PDF"  
  
>>> unidecode("北京")  
"Bei Jing "
```

open()

```
>>> with open("greeting.txt", mode="w") as outfile:  
...     outfile.write("Hello world!")
```

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```
>>> with open("greeting.txt", mode="r") as infile:  
...     print(infile.read())  
"Hello world!"
```

```
>>> if not os.path.exists("important.txt"):  
...     with open("important.txt", mode="w"):  
...         pass
```

open(..., "x")

```
>>> with open("name.txt", mode="x") as outfile:  
...     outfile.write("My name is Alex!")
```

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```
>>> with open("name.txt", mode="x") as outfile:  
...     outfile.write("My name is Tibs!")
```

Traceback (most recent call last):

```
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>  
FileExistsError: [Errno 17] File exists: 'name.txt'
```

<a>

```
<a href="/files/beijing.pdf">  
↳ downloads "beijing.pdf"
```

Content-Disposition: attachment; filename="北京.pdf"

```
<a href="/files/beijing.pdf">  
↳ downloads "北京.pdf"
```

```
<a href="/files/beijing.pdf" download="北京.pdf">  
↳ downloads "北京.pdf"
```

Storing the files:

- You don't have to store a file under its original name
- Exclusive creation mode “x” can avoid filename collision
- unidecode can create ASCII-safe strings
- The Content-Disposition header or download attribute can suggest a filename

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Storing the metadata

- How do I model the metadata?
- How do I save the metadata to disk?

```
>>> import attr  
  
attr  
>>> @attr.s  
... class Document:  
...     path = attr.ib()  
...     tags = attr.ib()  
  
>>> doc = Document(  
...     path="scanned_doc.pdf",  
...     tags=["home", "bills", "acme energy"]  
... )
```

attrs

```
>>> import attr  
  
>>> @attr.s  
... class Document:  
...     path = attr.ib()  
...     tags = attr.ib()  
  
>>> doc = Document(  
...     path="scanned_doc.pdf",  
...     tags=["home", "bills", "acme energy"]  
... )  
  
>>> doc.path  
"scanned_doc.pdf"  
  
>>> doc.tags  
["home", "bills", "acme energy"]
```

attrs

```
>>> import attr  
  
>>> @attr.s  
... class Document:  
...     path = attr.ib()  
...     tags = attr.ib()  
  
>>> doc = Document(  
...     path="scanned_doc.pdf",  
...     tags=["home", "bills", "acme energy"]  
... )  
  
>>> repr(doc)  
Document(path="scanned_doc.pdf", tags=["home",  
"bills", "acme energy"])
```

attrs

```
>>> import attr  
  
>>> @attr.s  
... class Document:  
...     path = attr.ib()  
...     tags = attr.ib()  
  
>>> doc = Document(  
...     path="scanned_doc.pdf",  
...     tags=["home", "bills", "acme energy"]  
... )  
  
>>> eval(repr(doc)) == doc  
True  
  
>>> doc == Document(path="cat.jpg", tags=["pets"])  
False
```

attrs

```
>>> import attr  
  
>>> @attr.s  
... class Document:  
...     path = attr.ib()  
...     tags = attr.ib()  
  
>>> doc = Document(  
...     path="scanned_doc.pdf",  
...     tags=["home", "bills", "acme energy"]  
... )  
  
>>> attr.asdict(doc)  
{"path": "scanned_doc.pdf", "tags": ["home", "bills",  
"acme energy"]}
```

```
>>> import attr  
  
attr  
>>> @attr.s  
... class Document:  
...     path = attr.ib()  
...     tags = attr.ib()  
  
>>> doc = Document(  
...     path="scanned_doc.pdf",  
...     tags=["home", "bills", "acme energy"]  
... )
```

```
@attr.s  
class Document:  
    id = attr.ib()  
    title = attr.ib()  
    date_saved: datetime.datetime = attr.ib()  
    tags: List[str] = attr.ib()  
    files: List[File] = attr.ib()
```

```
@attr.s  
class File:  
    id = attr.ib()  
    filename = attr.ib()  
    path = attr.ib()  
    size: int = attr.ib()  
    checksum = attr.ib()  
    thumbnail: Thumbnail = attr.ib()  
    source_url = attr.ib()  
    date_saved: datetime.datetime = attr.ib()
```

```
{  
  "date_saved": "2020-10-21T23:22:56.878358",  
  "files": [  
    {  
      "checksum": "sha256:3a6d3bc8641bc43530bb3e6cd183d26a5a05c69b3b74c38e99d5ef9fb2c01253",  
      "date_saved": "2020-10-21T23:22:56.878358",  
      "filename": "THE_HAUNTING_OF_TRAM_CAR_015_MOBI.mobi",  
      "id": "0eb55943-26c7-4a94-99d0-c1fe39318fdf",  
      "path": "files/t/the-haunting-of-tram-car-015-mobi.mobi",  
      "size": 2267910,  
      "source_url": "https://ebookclub.tor.com/",  
      "thumbnail": {  
        "dimensions": {  
          "height": 400,  
          "width": 250  
        },  
        "path": "thumbnails/t/the-haunting-of-tram-car-015-mobi.mobi.png",  
        "tint_color": "#9b642c"  
      }  
    }  
  ],  
  "id": "9f9bb56e-35ab-451c-81a6-f5ee95fce912",  
  "tags": [  
    "fantasy",  
    "historical-fantasy",  
    "fiction",  
    "by:P. Dj\u00e8e\u00e8l\u00e8d Clark",  
    "format:mobi"  
  ],  
  "title": "The Haunting of Tram Car 015"  
}
```



attrs



.json

cattr

```
>>> import cattr  
  
>>> doc = Document(  
...     path="scanned_doc.pdf",  
...     tags=["home", "bills", "acme energy"]  
... )  
  
>>> cattr.unstructure(doc)  
{"path": "scanned_doc.pdf", "tags": ["home", "bills",  
"acme energy"]}  
  
>>> cattr.structure(  
...     {"path": "cat.jpg", "tags": ["pets"]},  
...     Document)  
Document(path="cat.jpg", tags=["pets"])
```

Storing the metadata:

- How do I model the metadata?
Use the attrs library.
- How do I save the documents to disk?
JSON is fine for small N. Often better than a traditional database.
- How do I serialise attrs models to JSON?
Use cattrs.

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Previewing the files

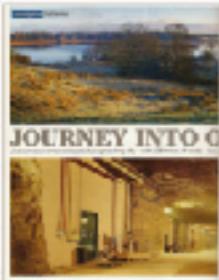
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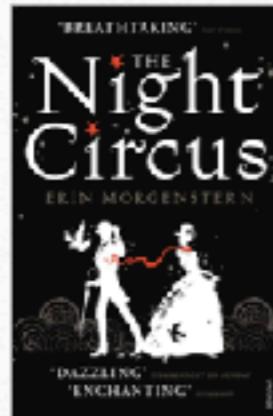
 **Papers from “Making IT Work” conference**
date saved: 18 Aug 2010

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docstore/books

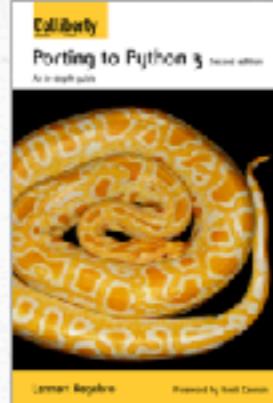
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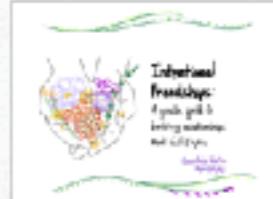
The Night Circus, by Erin Morgenstern

date saved: 5 Jul 2020
tagged with: [fantasy](#) [fiction](#) [format:pub](#)



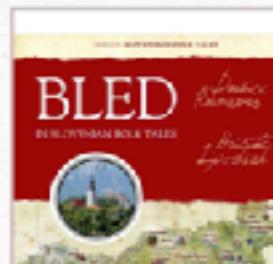
Porting to Python 3 (phone)

date saved: 27 Jul 2019
source: [gumroad.com](#)
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Intentional Friendships: A Gentle Guide (landscape)

date saved: 27 Jul 2019
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tagged with: [format:odf](#) [zines](#)



Bled in Slovenian folk tales, by Dusica Kunaver

date saved: 1 Jul 2019
source: [www.amazon.co.uk](#)

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docstore/correspondence

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filtering to tag **council-tax** [x]



2016-03: Council tax bill 2016/2017

date saved: 8 Mar 2019
tagged with: council-tax



2018-03: Council Tax bill 2018/2019

date saved: 24 Feb 2019
tagged with: council-tax



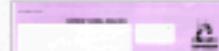
2017-06: Council tax bill 2017/2018

date saved: 24 Feb 2019
tagged with: council-tax



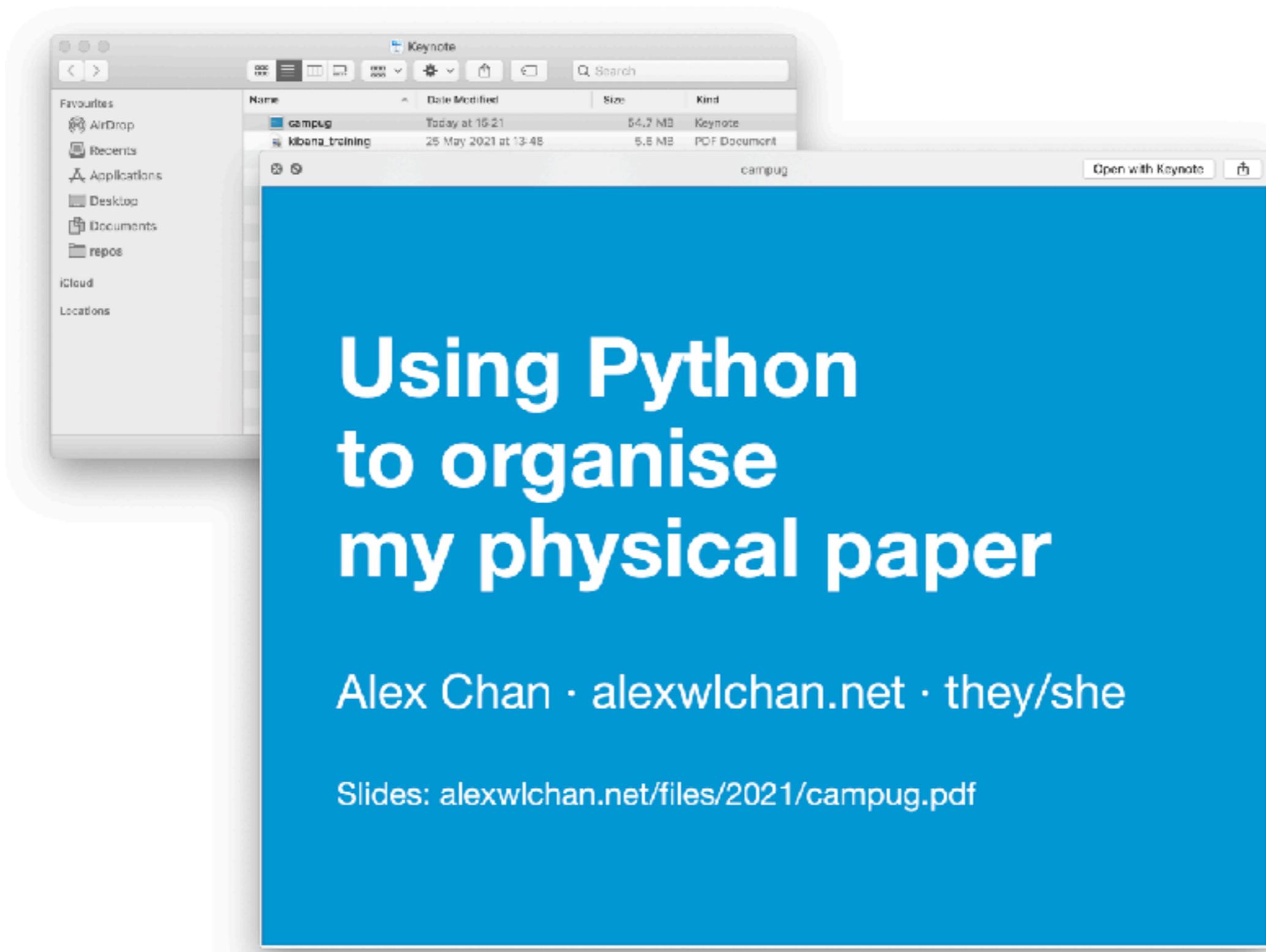
2015-03: Council tax bill 2015/2016

date saved: 23 Feb 2019
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```
pdftocairo document.pdf \
-jpeg \
-singlefile \
-scale-to-x 400
```

```
qlmanage -t -s 400 document.jpeg
```



```
ffmpeg -i animated.gif \
-movflags faststart \
-pix_fmt yuv420p \
-vf scale=400:400
out.mp4
```



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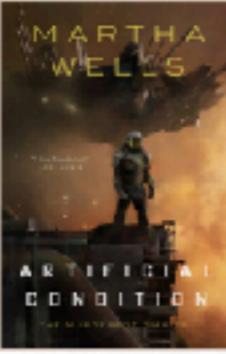
docsstore/books

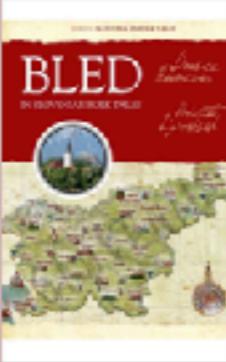
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 **A Visit from Eldritchbot, by [Thomas Heasman-Hunt](#)**
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tagged with: [format:pdf](#) [sci-fi](#) [americabots](#)

 **Finn Family Moomintroll, by [Tove Jansson](#)**
date saved: 2 Oct 2020
tagged with: [fiction](#) [moomins](#) [format:epub](#)

 **Artificial Condition, by [Martha Wells](#)**
date saved: 17 May 2020
tagged with: [fiction](#) [format:epub](#) [murderbot](#) [sci-fi](#)

 **Bled in Slovenian folk tales, by [Dusica Kunaver](#)**
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tagged with: [folk-stories](#) [format:epub](#)

 **The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up, by [Marie Kondo](#)**



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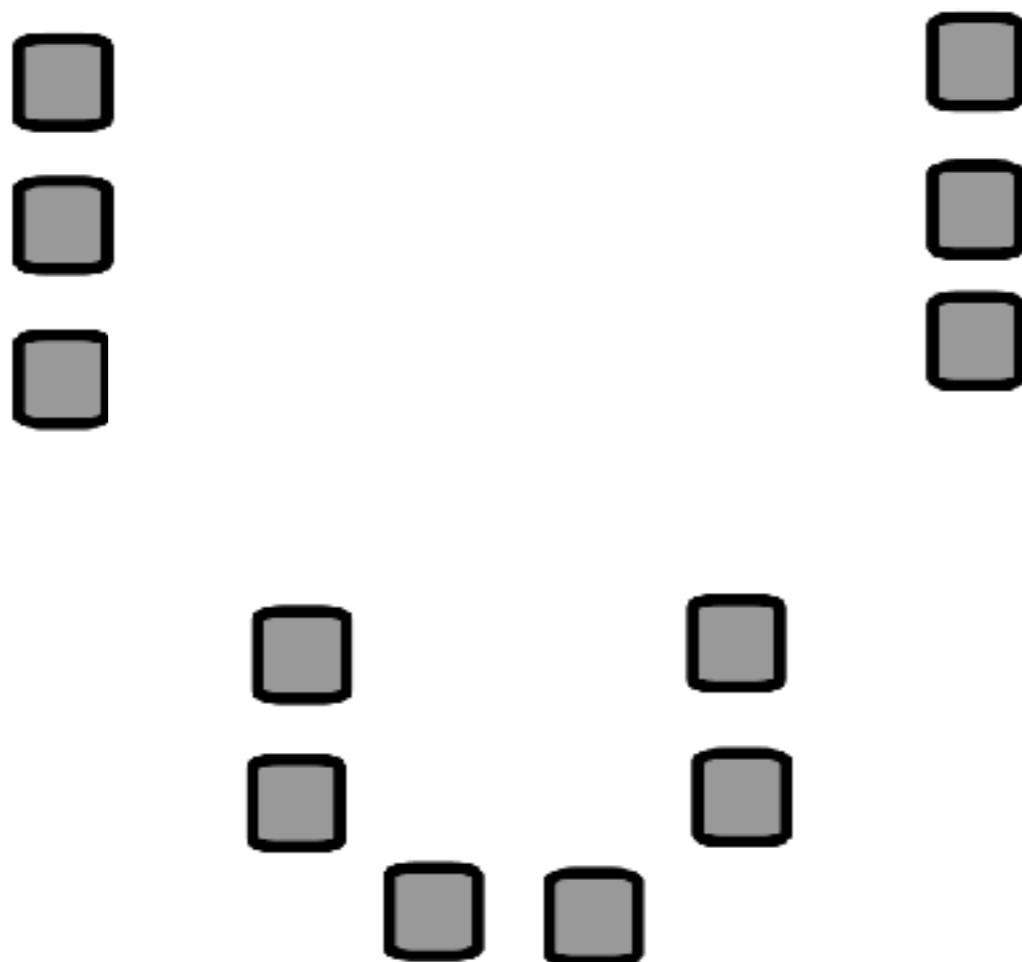
date saved: 2 Oct 2020

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```
>>> from PIL import Image  
>>> im = Image.open("cover.jpg")  
  
>>> tally = collections.Counter(im.getdata())  
  
>>> tally.most_common(1)  
[((249, 246, 241), 2106)]
```

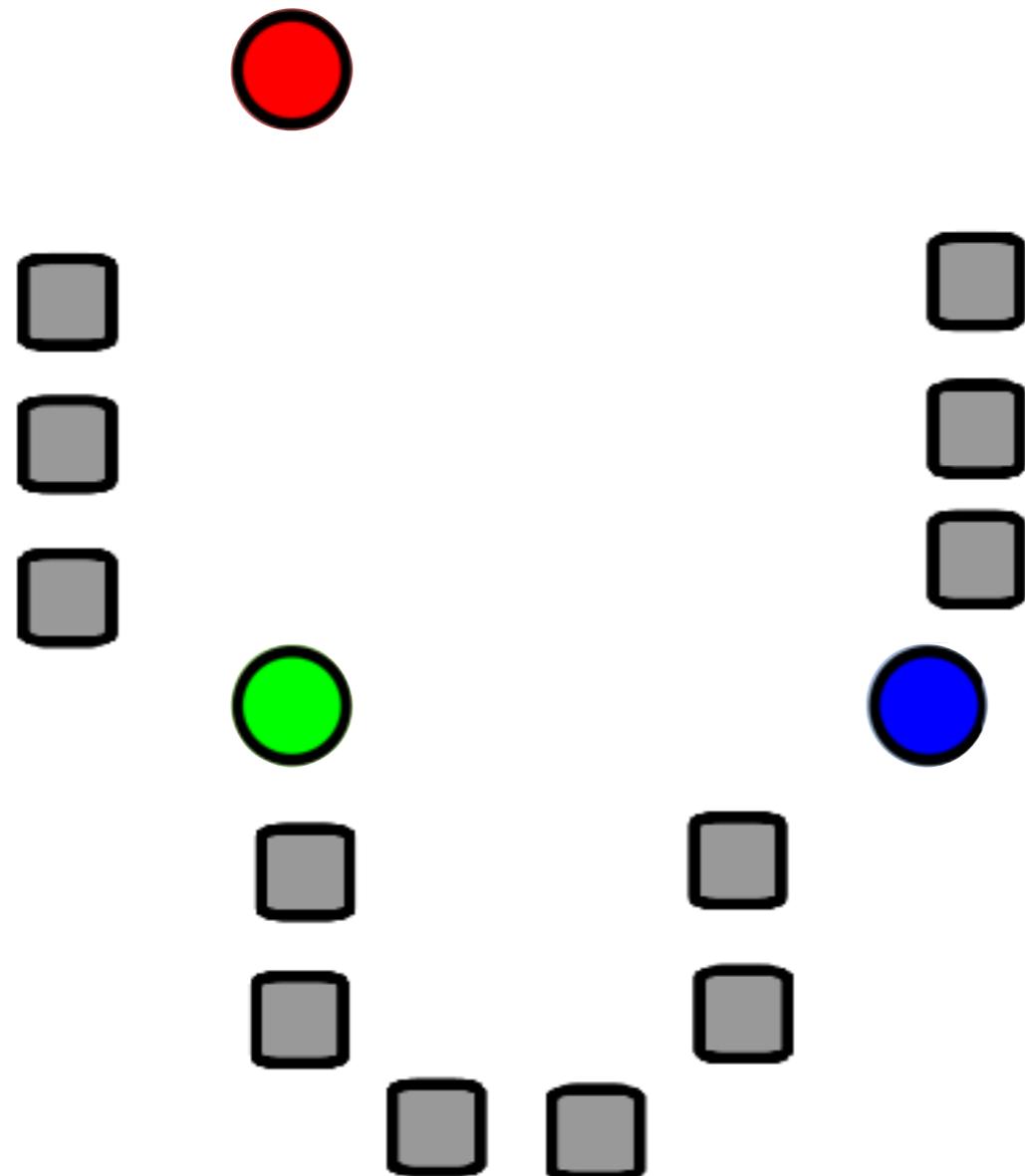
#f9f6f1

k-means



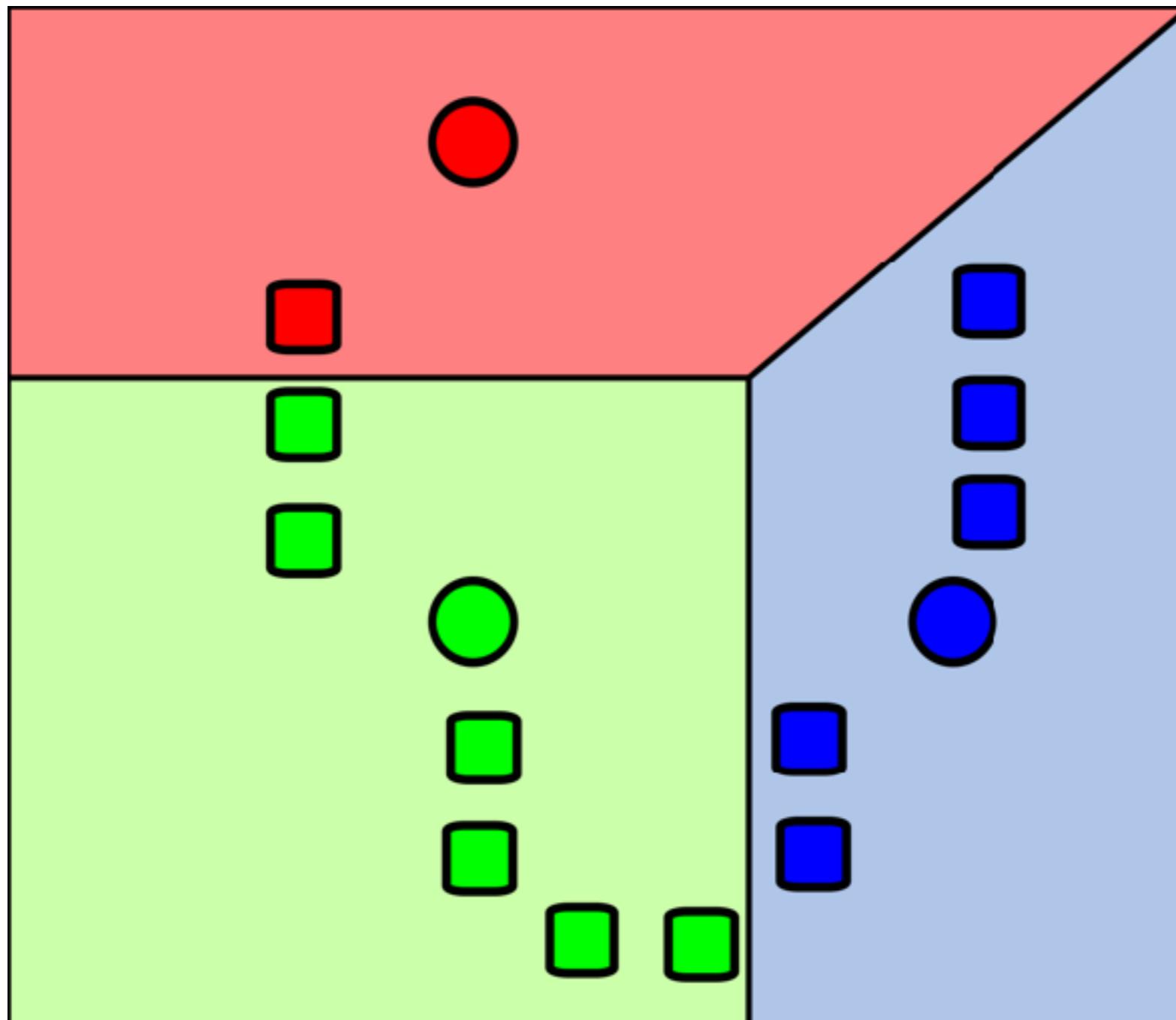
Illustrations from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-means_clustering

k-means



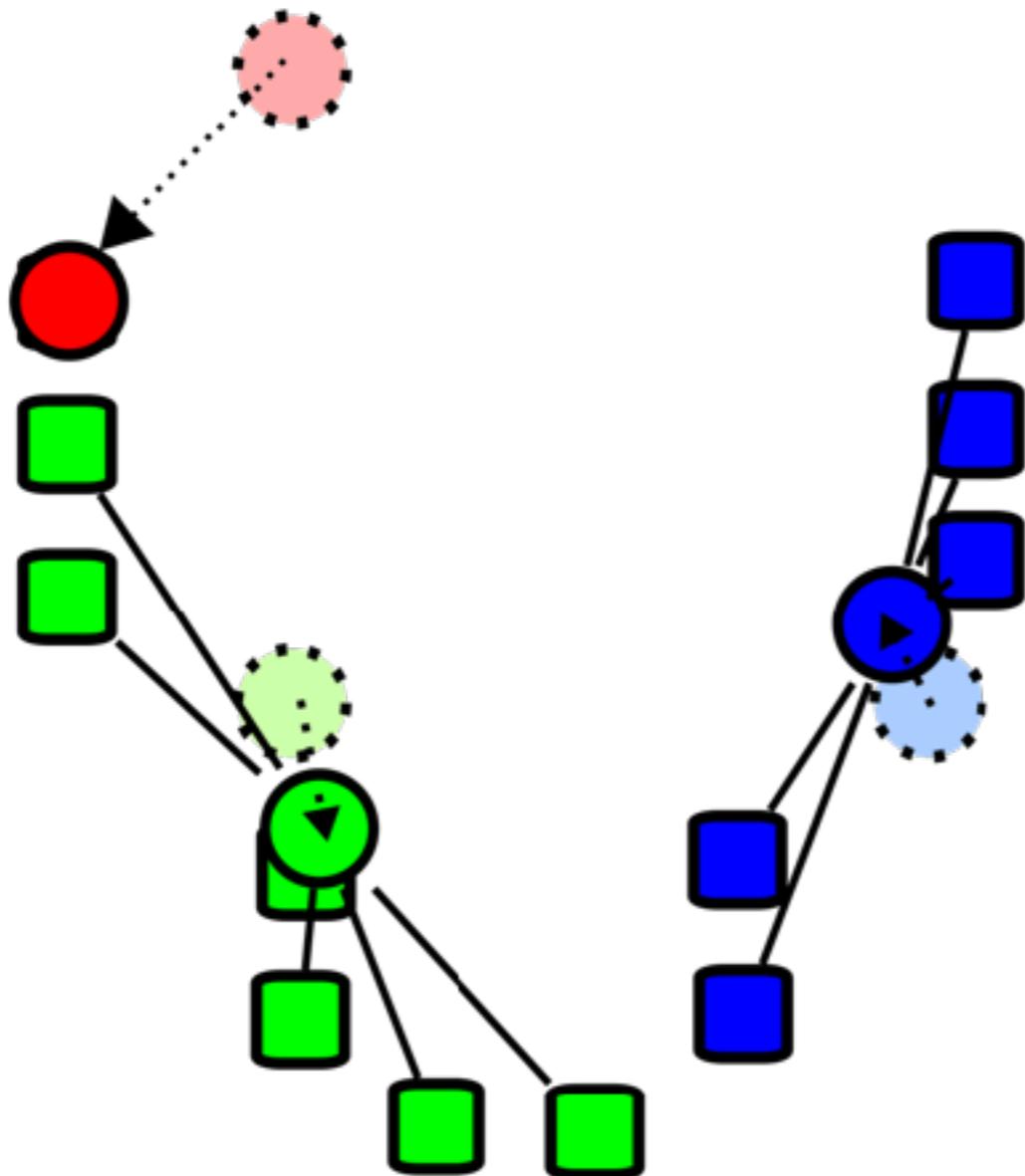
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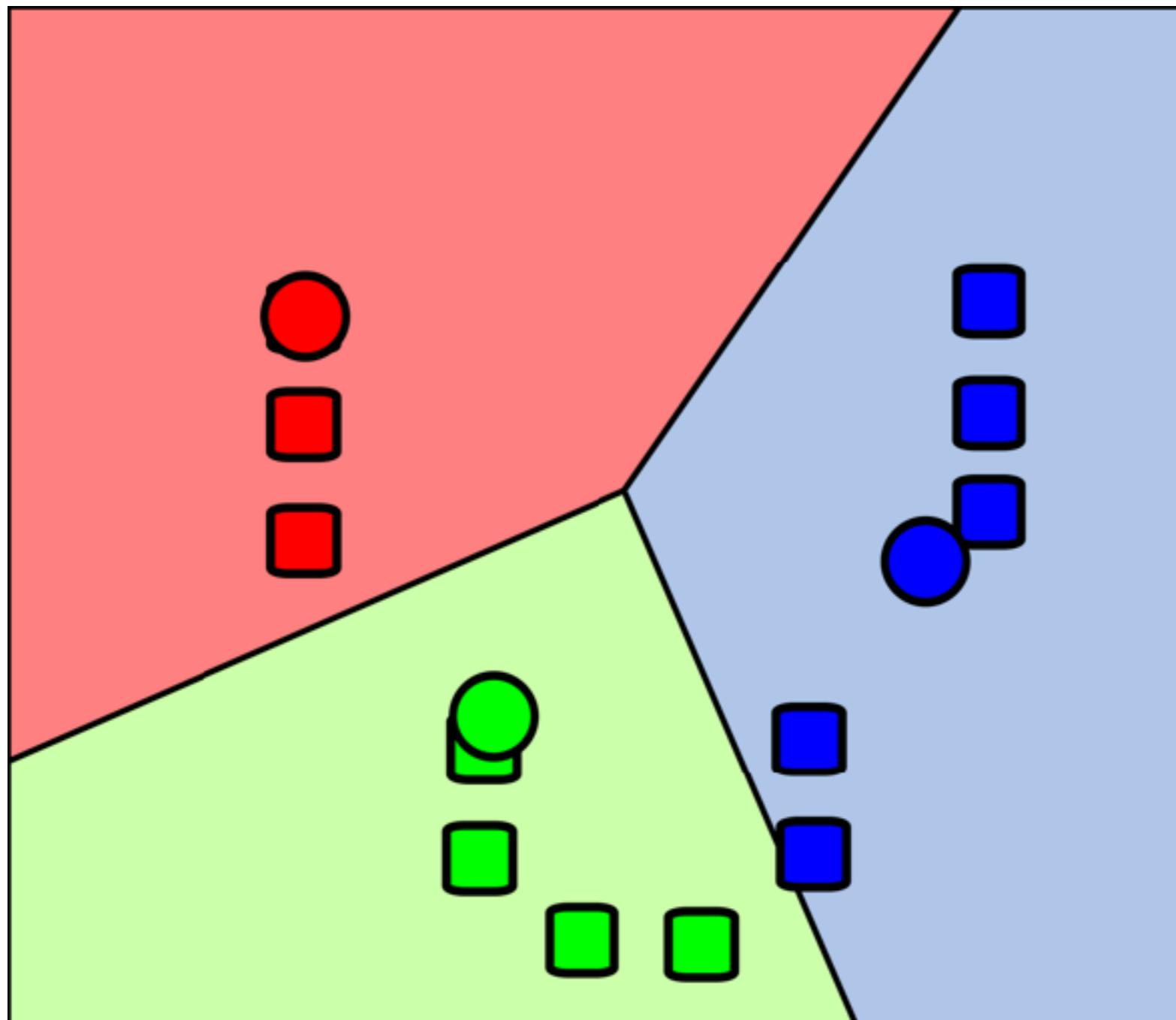
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k-means

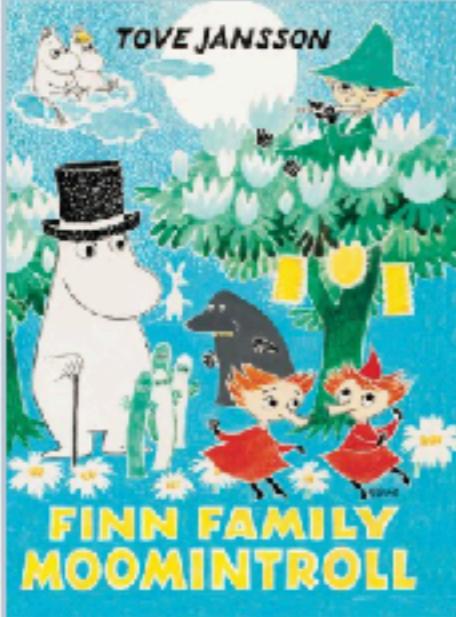


Illustrations from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-means_clustering

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```
>>> from sklearn.cluster import KMeans  
  
>>> colors = im.getdata()  
>>> KMeans(n_clusters=5).fit(colors).cluster_centers_  
array([[129.4208, 196.3925, 195.2154],  
       [ 32.2470,  98.7502,  73.7802],  
       [236.5401, 170.0094,  60.9854],  
       [ 25.9697, 179.8435, 200.6353],  
       [229.4518, 236.1130, 227.4645]])
```

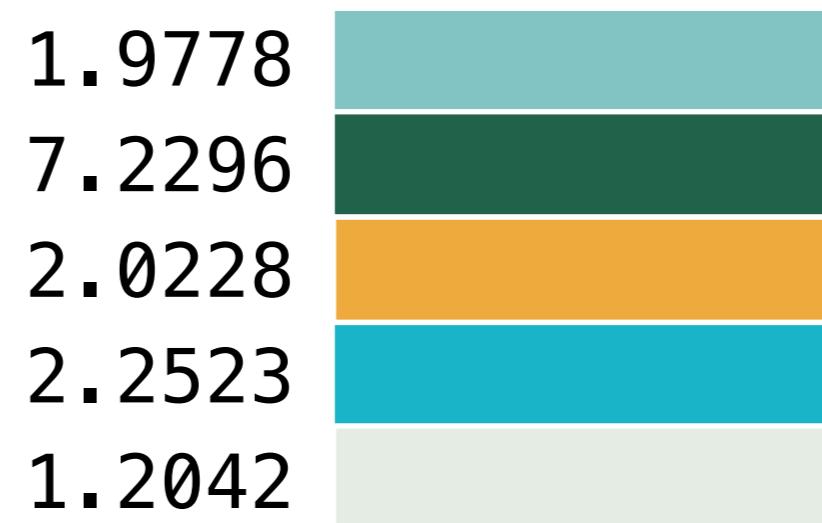


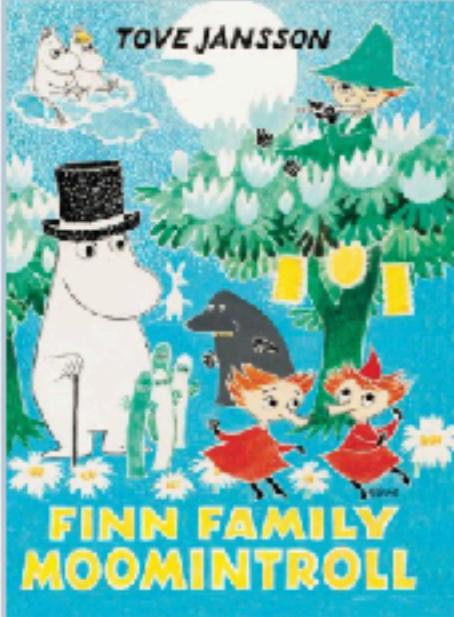
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```
>>> import wcag_contrast_ratio as contrast  
  
>>> for c in candidates:  
...     print(c, contrast.rgb(c, white))
```





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```
>>> import colorsys
```

```
>>> max(  
...     rgb_colors,  
...     key=lambda col: colorsys.rgb_to_hls(*col)[2]  
... )
```

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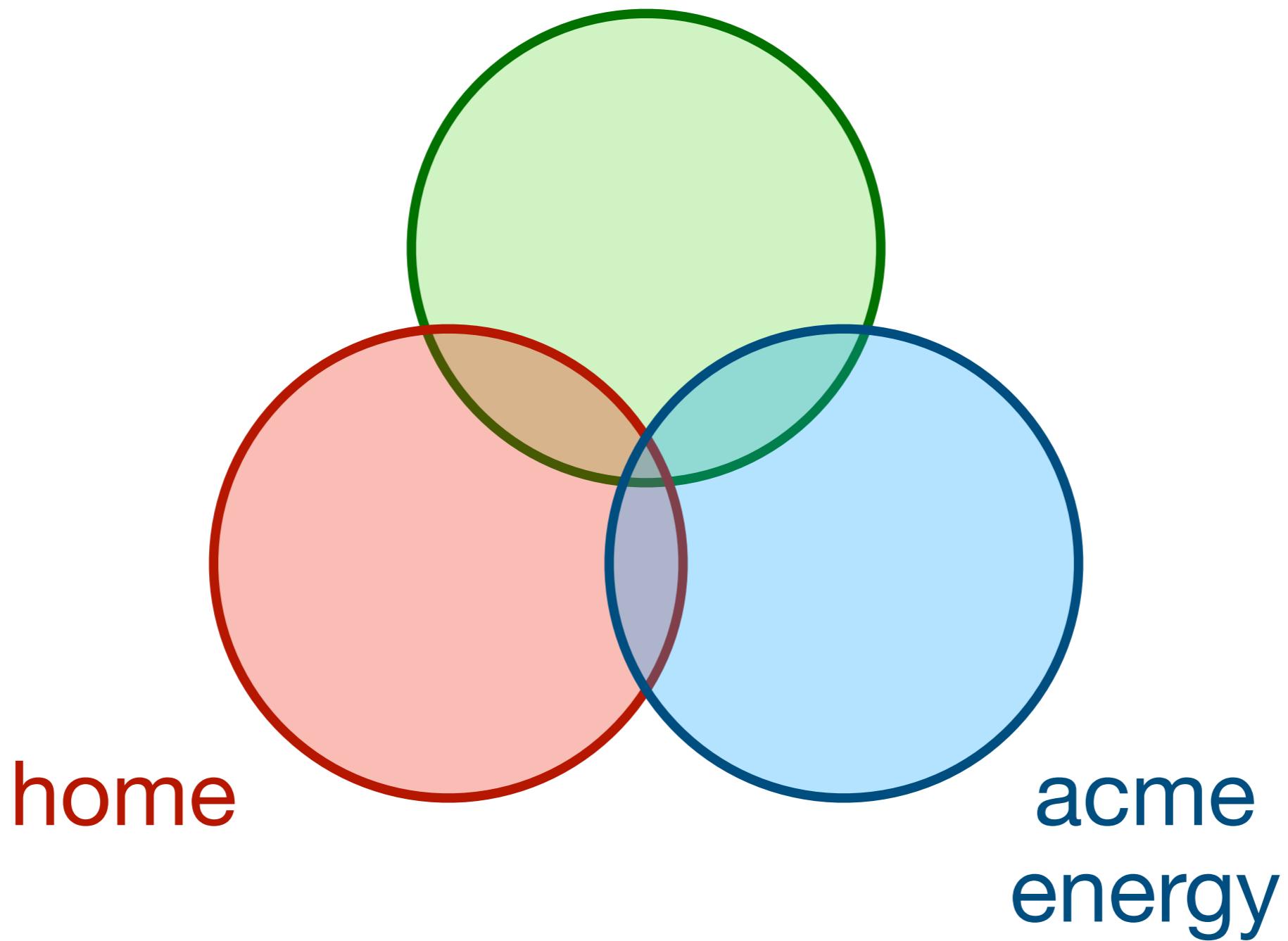
Previewing the files:

- Use pdftocairo to generate thumbnails of PDFs
- Use Quick Look to generate thumbnails of still images
- Create small movies for animated GIFs
- Use Pillow, k-means (scikit-learn) and WCAG accessibility to choose tint colours

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Wrangling the tags

utility
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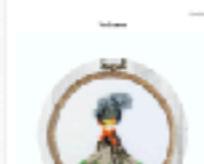
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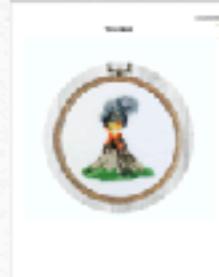
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Wrangling the tags:

- How do I find documents that match a set of tags?
- How do I get URLs to filter by tag?
- How do I find mistyped or similar tags?

find matching documents

```
>>> class Document:  
...     ...  
...     def matches_tags(self, query):  
...         return query.issubset(self.tags)  
  
>>> matching_documents = [  
...     doc  
...     for doc in documents  
...     if doc.matches_tags(query)  
... ]
```

URLs to tag filters

`docs.python.org/3/search.html?q=subset`

`/files?tag=books`

`wellcomecollection.org/images?
query=snake&locations.license=pdm&color=e
02020`

`/files?tag=books&tag=programming`

hyperlink

```
>>> import hyperlink  
>>> url = hyperlink.URL.from_text("/files")  
  
>>> url = url.add("tag", "books")  
"/files?tag=books"  
  
>>> url = url.add("tag", "programming")  
"/files?tag=books&tag=programming"  
  
>>> url = url.remove("tag", "books")  
"/files?tag=programming"
```

council-tax

counciltax

conciltax

} Suspiciously similar

car-tax

cambridge-council

train-tickets

} Definitely different

rapidfuzz

```
>>> from rapidfuzz import fuzz
```

```
>>> fuzz.ratio("council-tax", "counciltax")  
95.23809523809524
```

```
>>> fuzz.ratio("council-tax", "conciltax")  
90.0
```

```
>>> fuzz.ratio("council-tax", "car-tax")  
55.55555555555556
```

```
>>> fuzz.ratio("council-tax", "train-tickets")  
25.0
```

<https://chairnerd.seatgeek.com/fuzzywuzzy-fuzzy-string-matching-in-python/>

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://chairnerd.seatgeek.com/fuzzywuzzy-fuzzy-string-matching-in-python/> in the address bar. The page title is "ChairNerd" and the subtitle is "Code, Design, and Growth at SeatGeek". A timestamp indicates the post was published on JUL 8TH, 2011. The main heading is "FuzzyWuzzy: Fuzzy String Matching in Python". Below the heading, there is a logo for "seatgeek" and a link to "open sourced seatgeek/fuzzywuzzy". A subtext explains the mission of the project: "We've made it our mission to pull in event tickets from every corner of the internet, showing you them all on the same screen so you can compare them and get to your game/concert/show as quickly as possible." The text continues with a challenge: "Of course, a big problem with most corners of the internet is labeling. One of our most consistently frustrating issues is trying to figure out whether two ticket listings are for the same real-life event (that is, without enlisting the help of our army of interns)." An example is given for the show "Zarkana": "Cirque du Soleil has a show running in New York called "Zarkana". When we scour the web to [find tickets](#) for sale, mostly those tickets are identified by a title, date, time, and venue. Here is a selection of some titles we've actually seen for this show:" followed by a list of ticket titles.

seatgeek open sourced [seatgeek/fuzzywuzzy](#)

Fuzzy String Matching in Python

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Of course, a big problem with most corners of the internet is labeling. One of our most consistently frustrating issues is trying to figure out whether two ticket listings are for the same real-life event (that is, without enlisting the help of our army of interns).

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Cirque du Soleil-Zarkana
Cirque du Soleil: Zarkana
Cirque Du Soleil - Zarkana Tickets 8/31/11 (New York)
Cirque Du Soleil - ZARKANA (Matinee) (New York)
Cirque du Soleil - New York

rapidfuzz

```
from itertools import combinations
```

```
from rapidfuzz import fuzz
```

```
def find_similar_tags(tags, *, threshold=80):  
    for t1, t2 in combinations(sorted(tags), 2):  
        if fuzz.ratio(t1, t2) > threshold:  
            yield t1, t2
```

Wrangling the tags:

- How do I find documents that match a set of tags?

List comprehensions are fine for small N.

- How do I get URLs to filter by tag?

Use the hyperlink library.

- How do I find mistyped or similar tags?

Use fuzzywuzzy or rapidfuzz.

```
docstore add 'BillJul21.pdf' \
--source_url='https://acme.co/gas' \
--title='2021-07: Gas bill for 2021' \
--tags='home,utility-bills,acme-energy'
```

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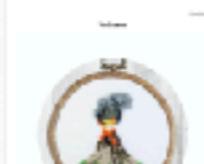
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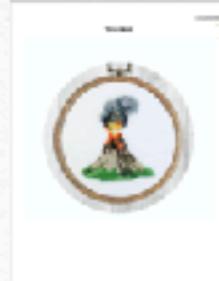
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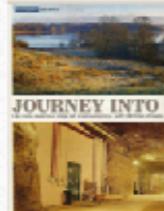
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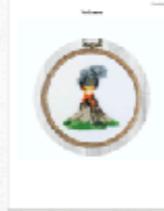
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Storing the files

Storing the metadata

Previewing the files

Wrangling the tags

Takeaways:

Takeaways:

- You're all going to go away and download docstore!!

Takeaways:

- You're all going to go away and write your own file management software!!

Takeaways:

- Writing tools that are just for you is easier than writing tools for everyone
- Writing tools that are just for you can have interesting lessons and ideas for writing “real” software
- Source code is a terrible way to share ideas

Using Python to organise my physical paper

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