

Python Environnement

Python version

Python 2 or Python 3 ? Definitely 3

- <https://www.python.org/>
- <https://pythonclock.org/>

Python distributions

Why Python ?

- The rich ecosystem of libraries and tooling, and the convenience of the language itself, make Python an excellent choice.

Many distributions of Python, such as:

- WinPython,
- ActivePython,
- Anaconda,
- Enthought Canopy,
- Python(x,y),
- Pyzo



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Why Python ?

For this course, let's install Anaconda for python 3

- <https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual>



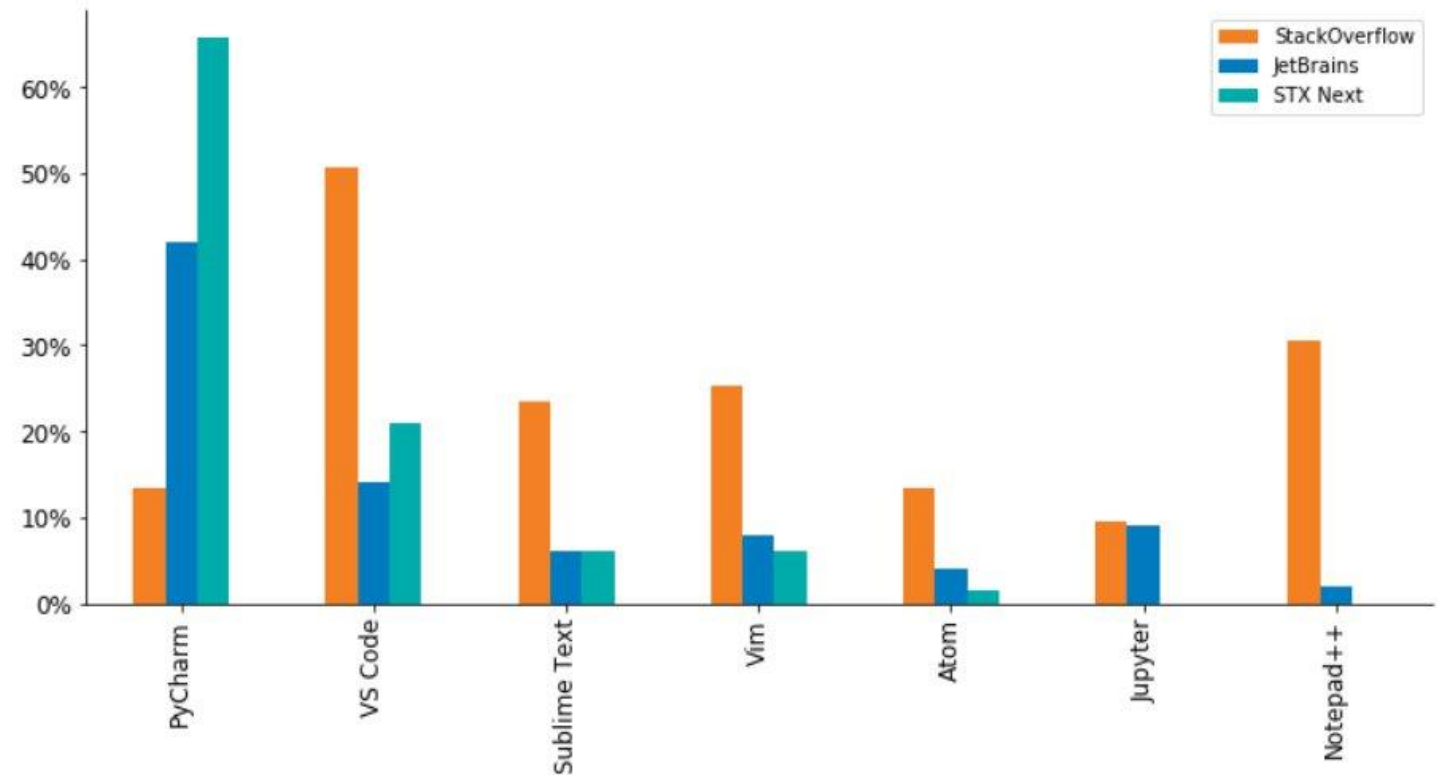
Python IDE

Which Python IDE?

An IDE (Integrated Development Environment) is a software application used by developers for creating programs.

- Python IDEs for Data Science

- Spyder
- PyCharm
- Atom
- Jupyter Notebook
- Jupyter Lab
- Visual Studio Code
- PyDev



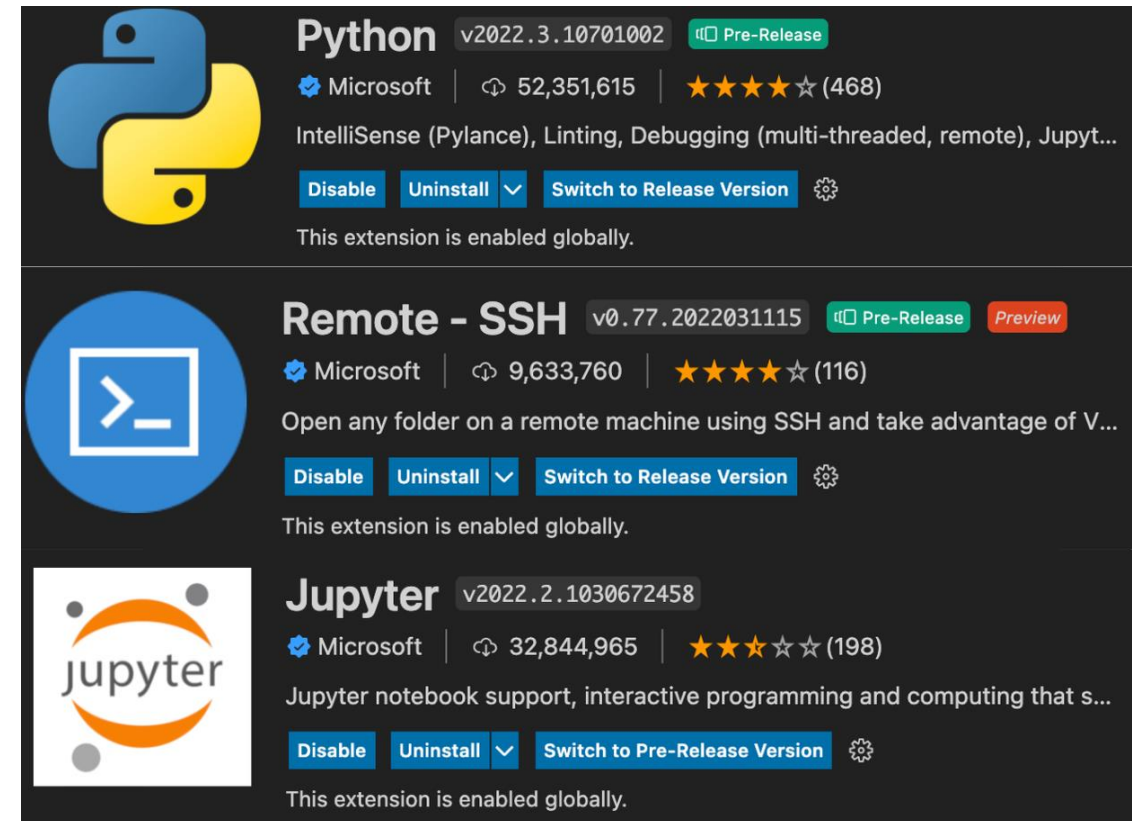
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Python IDEs for Data Science

- <http://www.jupyter.org/>
- and
- try it with python in <http://jupyter.org/try>
 - Code Cell
 - Markdaown Cell

Next, we will user Jupyter Notebooks
Extension for **Visual Studio Code**



Python Virtual Environment

Why Virtual Environment?

- Virtual environment = a self-contained directory tree that contains a Python installation for a particular version of Python, plus a number of additional packages
- Allows virtual installations of Python and libraries on your computer
 - Multiple versions of Python or libraries and easily activate or deactivate these environments
 - Sometimes you'll want to program in different versions of a library. For example:
 - You develop a program with SciKit-Learn 0.17
 - SciKit-Learn 0.18 is released
 - You want to explore 0.18 but don't want you old code to break

Python Virtual Environment

Why Virtual Environment?

- Several ways to create a virtual environment
 - Using venv module of python (default)
 - `python3 -m venv tutorial-env`
 - `source tutorial-env/bin/activate`
 - `pip3 search astronomy`
 - `pip3 install novas` or `pip install novas=2.1.0`
 - `source deactivate`
 - Using Virtualenv Environment
 - Using Pipenv Environment

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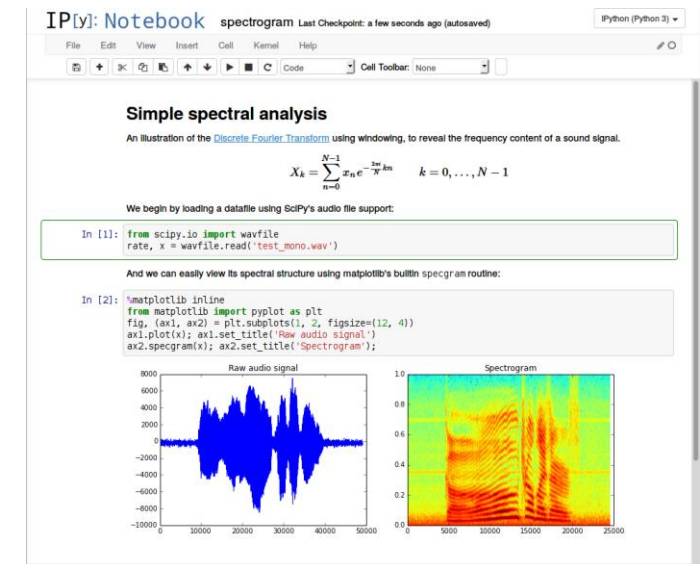
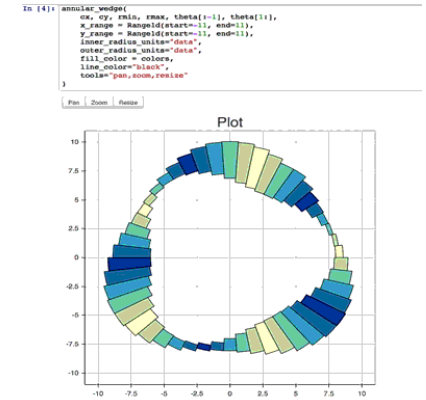
Why Virtual Environment?

- Several ways to create a virtual environment
 - Using Anaconda (Conda) a Environment
 - <https://conda.io/docs/user-guide/tasks/manage-environments.html>
 - `conda create --name myenv`
 - `conda install numpy`
 - `conda install anaconda`
 - `conda activate myvenv`
 - `conda deactivate`

Jupyter Notebooks and Lab

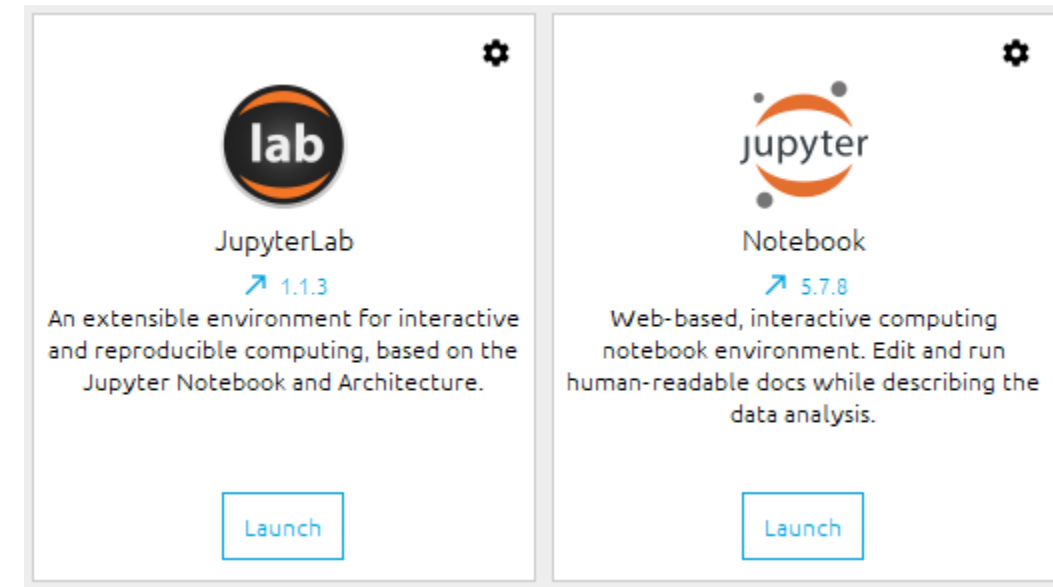
Jupyter Notebooks

- Notebooks are an excellent way to document an engineering process because they allow you to combine nicely formatted text with code and results.
- Jupyter notebooks use a serialized data storage format, JSON, to store the document.
- Integrate many different text processing formats (HTML, Markdown, LaTeX, ...).
- Jupyter notebook use a browser-like interface and is integrated into Anaconda



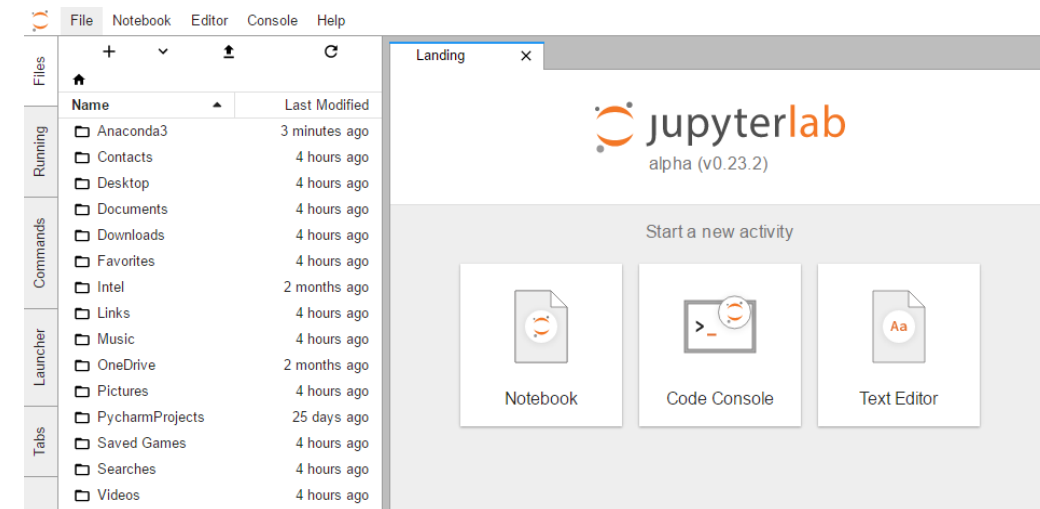
JupyterLab

- JupyterLab runs in a single tab, with sub-tabs displayed within that one tab, while Jupyter Notebook opens new notebooks in new tabs.
- JupyterLab feels more like an IDE
- Jupyter Notebook feels more standalone



JupyterLab

- Installation
 - Jupyter Notebook comes with Anaconda
 - `conda install -c conda-forge jupyterlab`
- Running
 - `jupyter-lab`
 - `jupyter notebook`



JupyterLab

- Jupyter cells
 - Code
 - Markdown/Text
- See Demo