

Python

1. How to create files from Jupyter

While working with the Jupyter Notebook, sometimes you need to create a file (e.g. a .py file). Let's see how we can do it via Jupyter Notebook.

To write a file, we can simply type `%%writefile myfile` within a Jupyter cell and then start writing the file. For example, the command below will create a new file called `myfile.py`:

```
%%writefile myfile.py
def my_function():
    print("Hello from a function")
```

If we want to see the content of the file, we can type `!cat myfile.py`.

Let's say that we want to add something to our file. We can use the parameter `-a` that comes from the `append`. For example, if we want to add `my_function()` to our file:

```
%%writefile -a myfile.py
my_function()
```

As you can see, we added `my_function()` to the `myfile.py`:

```
In [3]: ► %%writefile -a myfile.py
        my_function()
        Appending to myfile.py

In [4]: ► !cat myfile.py

        def my_function():
            print("Hello from a function")

        my_function()
```

To run the script, we can simply use the `!python myfile.py` command or type `%run -i myfile.py`:

```
In [5]: ► !python myfile.py
        Hello from a function

In [7]: ► %run -i myfile.py
        Hello from a function
```

2. How to get values by row based on column name

Let's assume that you want to get the corresponding value of a pandas `DataFrame` according to a reference column. For example:

```
import pandas as pd
df = pd.DataFrame.from_dict({"V1": [66, 57, 79, 75], "V2": [41, 85, 94, 71],
                           "V3": [19, 3, 38, 58], "Selection": ['V1', 'V3',
                       'V2', 'V3']})
df
```

	V1	V2	V3	Selection
0	66	41	19	V1
1	57	85	3	V3
2	79	94	38	V2
3	75	71	58	V3

We want to get a new column according to the `Selection` column, where the first value will be the corresponding value of the `V1` column, the second value will be the corresponding value of the `V3` column, and so on.

The lookup function:

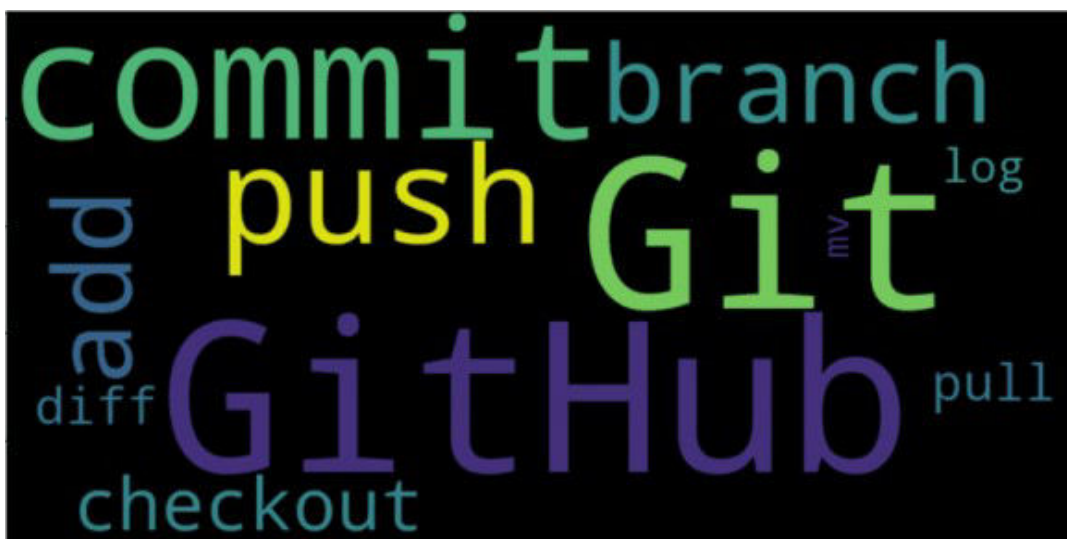
```
df['Value'] = df.lookup(df.index, df.Selection)
df
```

	V1	V2	V3	Selection	Value
0	66	41	19	V1	66
1	57	85	3	V3	3
2	79	94	38	V2	94
3	75	71	58	V3	58

3. How to create word clouds from dictionaries

Sometimes we want to create custom word clouds by defining the frequencies of the words.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from wordcloud import WordCloud
# assume that this is the dictionary, feel free to change it
word_could_dict = {'Git':100, 'GitHub':100, 'push':50, 'pull':10, 'commit':80,
                   'add':30, 'diff':10, 'mv':5, 'log':8, 'branch':30,
                   'checkout':25}
wordcloud = WordCloud(width = 1000, height = 500).generate_from_
frequencies(word_could_dict)
plt.figure(figsize=(15,8))
plt.imshow(wordcloud)
```



4. How to check if a pandas df column contains a specific value

Let's try to see if the character `a` exists in any pandas `DataFrame` column.

```
import pandas as pd
df = pd.DataFrame({"A" : ["a", "b", "c"], "B" : ["d", "e", "f"], "C" : ["x",
"y" , "a"]})
df
```

```
   A  B  C
0  a  d  x
1  b  e  y
2  c  f  a
```

We can simply type:

```
(df=='a').any()
```

```
A      True
B     False
C      True
```

5. How to write multiple pandas DataFrames to Excel tabs

Let's assume that you have many pandas DataFrames and you want to save them to a single Excel file of many worksheets (tabs). Let's see how we can do it:

```
# create the xlsxwriter and give a name to the final excel
# for example Final.xlsx

writer = pd.ExcelWriter('Final.xlsx', engine='xlsxwriter')

# it is convenient to store the pandas dataframes in a
# dictionary, where the key is the worksheet name that you want to give
# and the value is the data frame
df_dict = {'My_First_Tab': df1, 'My_Second_Tab': df2,
           'My_Third_Tab':df3, 'My_Forth_Tab':df4}
#iterate over the data frame of dictionaries
for my_sheet, dframe in df_dict.items():
    dframe.to_excel(writer, sheet_name = my_sheet, index=False)

# finally you have to save the writer
# and the Final.xlsx has been created
writer.save()
```

R

6. How to get values by row based on column name

Similarly to what we did in Python:

```
set.seed(5)
df<-as.data.frame(matrix(sample(1:100,12),ncol=3))
df$Selection<-c("V1","V3","V2","V3")
```

```
df
```

```
  V1 V2 V3 Selection
1 66 41 19        V1
2 57 85  3        V3
3 79 94 38        V2
4 75 71 58        V3
```

We apply the following trick:

```
df$Value<-as.numeric(df[cbind(seq_len(nrow(df)),
match(df$Selection,names(df)))])
df
```

```
  V1 V2 V3 Selection Value
1 66 41 19        V1     66
2 57 85  3        V3      3
3 79 94 38        V2     94
4 75 71 58        V3     58
```

7. dplyr join on multiple columns

`dplyr` allows us to join two DataFrames on more than a single column. All you have to do is to add the columns within `by` (e.g. `by = c("x1" = "x2", "y1" = "y2")`). For example:

```
library(dplyr)
set.seed(5)
df1 <- tibble(
  x1 = letters[1:10],
  y1 = LETTERS[11:20],
  a = rnorm(10)
)
df2 <- tibble(
  x2 = letters[1:10],
  y2 = LETTERS[11:20],
  b = rnorm(10)
)
df<-df1%>%inner_join(df2, df2, by = c("x1" = "x2", "y1" = "y2"))
df
```

```
# A tibble: 10 x 4
  x1    y1      a      b
1 a     K  -0.841  1.23
2 b     L   1.38  -0.802
3 c     M  -1.26  -1.08
4 d     N   0.0701 -0.158
5 e     O   1.71  -1.07
6 f     P  -0.603  -0.139
7 g     Q  -0.472  -0.597
8 h     R  -0.635  -2.18
9 i     S  -0.286   0.241
10 j    T   0.138  -0.259
```

8. Feature engineering with dates

When we get the `DateTime` of the events, we can generate some features for machine learning models. For example, we can generate the:

- Year
- Month
- Weekday
- Hour
- Minute
- Week of the year
- Quarter

Let's see how we can generate these features in R from a `DateTime` object. I would suggest converting some features like weekdays, months, hours, etc. to factors for machine learning purposes. Better yet, you should create more features like:

- A boolean called `isWeekend` taking 1 for weekends and 0 otherwise.
- The period of the day (e.g. Morning, Afternoon, Evening).

```
library(tidyverse)
set.seed(5)
df<- tibble(my_date = lubridate::as_datetime( runif(10, 1530000000,
1577739600)))
df%>%mutate(Year = format(my_date, '%Y'), Month_Number =
as.factor(format(my_date, '%m')),
            Weekday = as.factor(weekdays(my_date)), Hour
=as.factor(format(my_date, '%H')),
            Minute =as.factor(format(my_date, '%M')), Week =(format(my_date,
'%W')),
            Quarter = lubridate::quarter(my_date, with_year = T))
```

```
# A tibble: 10 x 8
  my_date          Year Month_Number Weekday Hour Minute Week Quarter
<dtm>          <chr>   <fct>    <fct> <fct> <fct> <chr> <fct>
1 2018-10-14 23:02:37 2018    10      Sunday    23     02    41     4
2 2019-07-09 22:41:01 2019     7      Tuesday    22     41    27     3
3 2019-11-14 22:41:22 2019    11      Thursday    22     41    45     4
4 2018-11-30 11:25:16 2018    11      Friday     11     25    48     4
5 2018-08-23 03:45:55 2018     8      Thursday     03     45    34     3
6 2019-07-18 16:43:22 2019     7      Thursday    16     43    28     3
7 2019-04-14 01:16:38 2019     4      Sunday     01     16    14     2
8 2019-09-15 18:01:43 2019     9      Sunday    18     01    36     3
9 2019-12-06 20:08:53 2019    12      Friday    20     08    48     4
10 2018-08-26 08:43:02 2018     8      Sunday     08     43    34     3
```

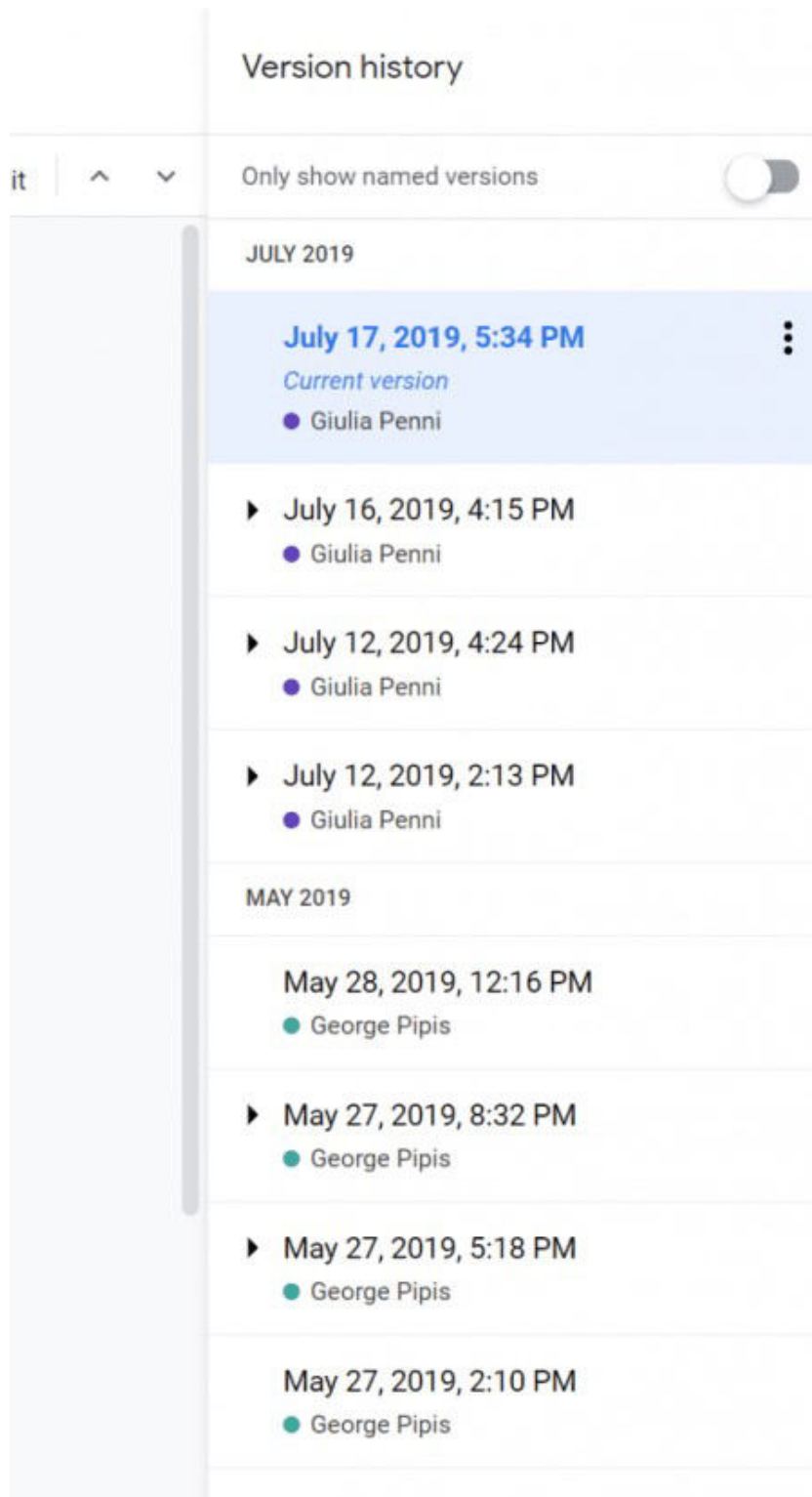
Google Spreadsheets

9. Version control in Google Docs and spreadsheets

Most data scientists are familiar with Git and GitHub, which are version control tools. However, many people are not aware of the version history in Google documents, spreadsheets, and presentations. Let me show you an example of version history in Google Docs:

- Open your Google document.
- At the top, click File→Version history.

On the left, you will see the date of the changes as well as the names of the authors. For example, on July 16, 2019, at 4:15 p.m., Giulia Penni made a change:

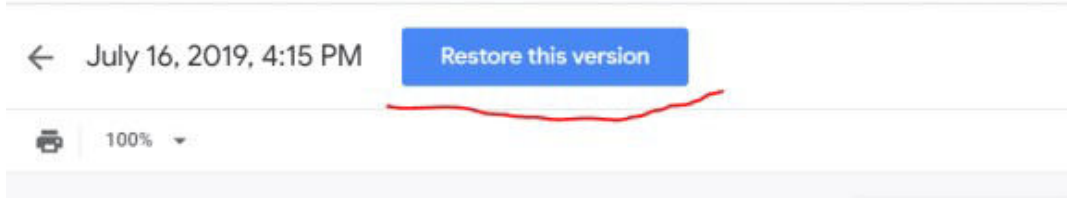


You can click on any change, and you will see the changes as they are displayed below:

Q: What is it about?

A: ~~We suggest launching~~ Our project is about a

Finally, you can restore the previous state by clicking on the “Restore this version” button:



Linux

10. How to copy a folder in Linux

When you're working with Linux operating systems like servers, etc., you need to copy-paste folders using the command line. If you want to copy a folder from one destination to another, you can run the following `bash` command:

```
cp -R /some/dir/ /some/other/dir/
```

- If `/some/other/dir/` doesn't exist, it will be created.
- `-R` means `copy directories recursively`. You can also use `-r` since it's case-insensitive.