## Introductory Remarks

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### Who are we?

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# Objectives of this tutorial

To provide an overview of useful software engineering practices to HPC code developers





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## Best Practices for Scientific Computing

- 1. Write programs for people, not computers Coding standards
- 2. Let the computers do the work make, cmake
- 3. Make incremental changes Git, testing
- 4. Don't repeat yourself (or others) Coding standards
- 5. Plan for mistakes Testing
- 6. Optimize software only after it works correctly Use profilers
- 7. Document design and purpose, not mechanics Documentation
- 8. Collaborate Agile methodology, GitHub





### Agenda

### Day 1

- Introductory Remarks
- Version Control
- Documentation
- Coding Standards

#### Day 2

- Agile Development
- Unit Testing and TDD
- Continuous Integration
- Regression Testing
- Containers



