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DATA EXPLORATION WITH PYTHON

The young researcher's toolkit

Why Python?

- Easy to use
- Common in scientific setting
- Lot of 3rd party support
- Works on Linux, MacOS and Windows
- General purpose
 - Automating (Ansible)
 - Web application (streamlit)
 - Machine and Deep Learning (Keras & PyTorch)
 - Data analysis & visualization (Pandas, Plotly)
 - Game development (Pygame)



Similar languages

- R
 - Not a general purpose language
 - Focused more on scientific applications like statistics, algebra, machine learning
- Ruby
 - Not much support for scientific libraries



What you will learn today

- Basic idea how to use Python
 - Installation
 - Syntax & semantic
 - Structure & conepts
- Installation and management of (scientific) dependencies
- First exploration of a dataset



Installation: VSCode

- Integrated development environment (IDE)
- Visual Studio Code: https://code.visualstudio.com/Download
 - Extensions
 - https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=ms-python.python
 - https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=ms-python.vscodepylance
 - https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=ms-toolsai.jupyter











Installation: Micromamba

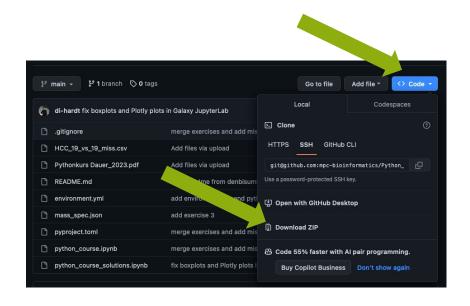
- Fully compatible alternative to (Ana-)conda
 - But much faster
 - Makes tool installation, easy and reproducible
 - Keeps different environments separated
 - Makes installation of one tool in different versions possible
- https://mamba.readthedocs.io/en/latest/installation/micromambainstallation.html





Download the prepared repository





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Installation: Create the environment for today

Python: Open a Terminal (Linux/Mac) or CMD (Windows) and type

```
micromamba –c defaults env create –f environment.yml
micromamba activate 20231117_python_course_med
```

- environment.yml Looks software up in the default channels of Conda
 - Unlike Anaconda micromamba only uses the supplied chanels
 - Usfull channels
 - 'bioconda' Biology related software (also Proteomics related)
 - `conda-forge` Various software like compilers, libraries etc



Installation: Create the environment for today

environment.yml

```
name: 20231117 python course mpc
channels:
  - defaults
  - bioconda
  - conda-forge
dependencies:
  - python=3.11
  - setuptools
  # here we install the software `pip` the Python package manager
  - pip
  # this calls pip to install the necessary Python packages
  # it basically searches in the current directory for one of the supported requriements files
  # we use the some what new pyproject.toml file
  - pip:
    - -e ./
```



Source file

- Normally your code lives in Python files ending with .py
- Which are executed using the command:

```
python do_what_i_say.py
```

 Python starts to execute with the first line and goes through the file line by line

```
from pathlib import Path
from types import ModuleType
def import_submodules(sub_module: ModuleType, python_file_wildcard: str):
   for converter path in Path(sub module. file ).parent.glob(python file wildcard):
       importlib.import_module(f"{sub_module.__name__}.{converter_path.stem}")
# and can be automatically added to the CLI
import_submodules(config_generators, '*_config_generator.py')
import submodules(sdrf generators, '* sdrf generator.py')
class CommandLineInterface:
```



Jupyter Notebooks

- Jupyer Notebooks are a <u>frontend</u> for combining code and text blocks
 - They can display results immediatly (plots, tables, text)
 - Export to PDF, HTML, TeX, ...
 - Runs
 - Visual Studio Code (local)
 - Galaxy (Browser)
 - Which basically starts Jupyter Lab (self hosted / browser)
 - Google Colab



Jupyter Notebooks



Jupyter Lab (browser)

Visual Studio Code (local)





Primitive datatypes

Туре	Description	Examples
Integer		2, -1, -0, -1, -2
Float	Numbers of various precision (rounding errors included)	, -0.2, 0.0001, 0.0, 0.3, 0.333335,
Boolean	Value about truthiness	True & False



Standard operator

Operator	Usage	Examples
Assignment	=	i = 1
Equals	==	1 == 1
Not equals	!=	1 != 2



Numeric standard operator

Operator	Usage	Examples
Addition	+	1 + 1 == 2
Substraction	-	1 - 1 == 0
Multiplication	*	2 * 3 == 6
Division	/	6 / 3 == 2
Modulo	%	5 % 2 == 1
Exponential	**	5 ** 3 == 125



Boolean standard operator

Operator	Usage	Examples
and	and	True and True == True True and False == False False and True == False False and False == False
or	or	True and True == True True and False == True False and True == True False and False == False
negation	not	not True == False not False == True not not True == True not not not not True == False



Syntax

```
# This is a comment, it's start with ,#' and is not evaluated by Python
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This is also a comment but spanning over
multiple lines
# Your future you will appreciate to see some of them in your code ... Believe me
x = 1 \# This is an assignment/declaration
y = 3 \# This is also an assignment/ declaration
x + y \# This is an operation, adds y to x
z = x + y \# operation and assignment/declaration
print("z is:", z)
=> z is: 4
```

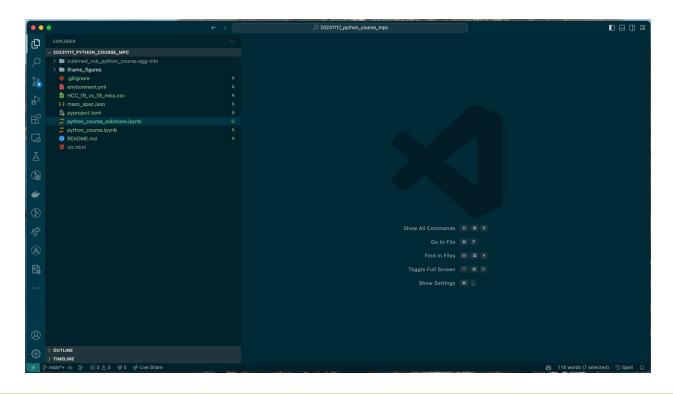




- Open the downloaded folder in Visual Studio Code
- Know we do a few steps together. After each step raise your hand to show you're ready!

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View / Command pallete

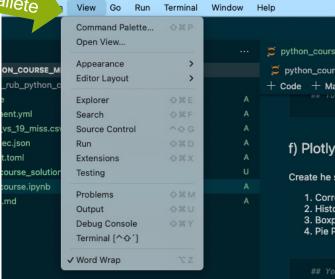
Exercise 1



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Open the command pallete



Type in: `select inter` and select
 `Python: Select interpreter`

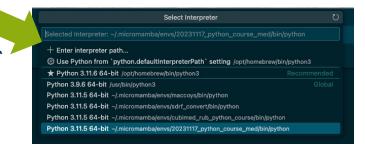






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Select `Enter interpreter path ...`



- Type in your path to micomamba +
 `/envs/20231117_python_course_med/bin/python`
 - In my case:
 `~/.micromamba/envs/20231117_python_course_m
 ed/bin/python`
- Open python_course.ipynb





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Select your kernel

Python environment

 Your selected python environment should be listed









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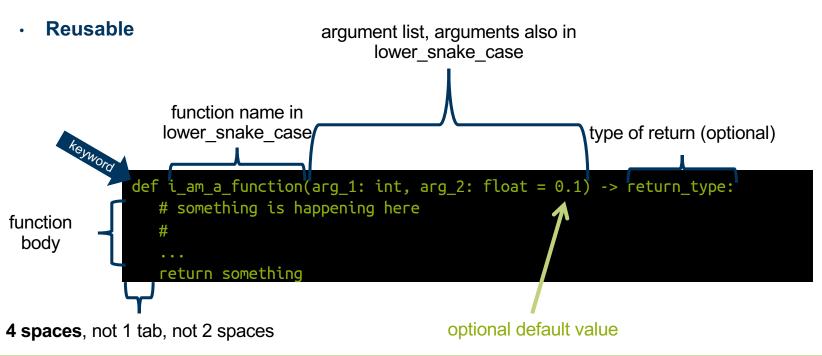
Happy coding!!!

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Functions

Represents a calculation / method / process / user interaction ...



Functions

- Built-in functions
 - pow(base, exp, mod=None) Returns base to the power of exp
 - round(number, ndigits) Rounds number to ndigits, if ndigits is None (default) it rounds to nearest integer
 - print(*objects, sep=' ', end='\n', file=None, flush=False) Prints the given objects, using the provided separator and end character. file & flush is for advanced purpose.
 - More: https://docs.python.org/3/library/functions.html



RTFM – Read the ****** manual (docs)

You can find the Python documentation here: https://docs.px n.org/3/



Read the documentation for 15 minutes

Stack Overflow for 2 hours

III. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RTFM III "I don't need to read the document

When you start coding in a language without reading documentation







Function usage

```
print("I am", "Groot")
=> "I am Groot"
print("I am", "Groot", sep="__")
=> "I am Groot"
round(3.14159265359)
=> 3
round(3.14159265359, 2)
=> 3.14
pow(2, 3)
=> 8
# save the result of a function
res = pow(2,3)
```



Imports

- Python contain more functionality then the built-in function and additional constants like the number Pi
- Make them accessible via imports

```
import math
import random

print(math.pi)
=> 3.141592653589793
math.ceil(math.pi)
=> 4
random.randint(1, 10)
=> ???
```



Complex data types & data collections

Туре	Description	Examples
List	A list of elements	[1,2,3,4,5], ["I", "am", "Groot"], [True, False, True, True]
String	List of character or simply: a text .	""I am Groot"
Tuple	Immutable list of elements	(1,2,3,4), ("I", "am", "Groot"), ("only one element requires a comma at the end",)
Set	A list of unique elements	{"Every", "value", "only", "once"}
Diction ary	A list of key-value pairs. Each key is unique .	{"DS9": "Deep Space 9", "Greece": "Athen", 1: 4, "a list": [1,2,3,4,5]}

https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/datastructures.html



Complex data types & data collections

```
a_list = [1, 2, 3, "4"]
# zero based indexing
print(a_list[0])
=> 1
# we can append new elements
a_list.append(5)
print(a list)
=> [1, 2, 3, "4", 5]
# removing the first element
a list.pop()
```

https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/datastructures.html#more-on-lists



Complex data types & data collections

```
a dict = {"Groot" : "I am Groot", "This is": "Sparta", 7: "of 9?"}
# Accessing by key
print(a dict["Groot"])
=> I am Groot
print(a dict[7])
=> of 9?
# Adding a new element
a dict["Yoda"] = "Do or do not, there is nor try"
# Removing an element
a_dict.remove("Yoda")
```

https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/datastructures.html#dictionaries





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Control flow

if-else-statement

```
surname = input("Enter surname:")
if surname[0].lower() < "m":
    print("Your case worker is Person X")
else:
    print("Your case worker is Person Y"</pre>
```

if-elif-else-statement

```
surname = input("Enter surname:")
if surname[0].lower() < "j":
    print("Your case worker is person X")
elif surname[0].lower() >= "j" and surname[0].lower() < "q":
    print("Your case worker is person Y")
elif ...:
else:
    print("No idea who your case worker is: \[ \( \times \) \(
```



Control flow

- match-statement
 - Introduced in Python 3.10

```
def get_mass_of_amino_acid(amino_acid: str) -> float:
    match amino_acid.lower():
        case "a":
            return 71.037113805
        case "c":
            return 103.009184505
        case "w":
            return 186.079312980
        case :
            # Default case
            raise Error(f"'{amino acid}' not found")
```



Control flow

try-catch-statement

```
amino acid = input("Amino acid: ")
try:
    get_mass_of_amino_acid(amino_acid)
except Error as err:
    print("Oops! Something went wrong. You might want to have a look:", err)
```



Control flow

Loops

```
# Simple for loop counting from 0 to 9
for i in range(10):
    print(i)

# A while loop repeats until a given condition is false
i = 0
while i < 10:
    print(i)</pre>
```

- You can skip a step in the loop by calling continue
- Leaving a loop is possible with break



Control flow

Loops

```
numbers = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,110]
for i in numbers :
    print(i)
```

Types which can be iterated called iterables!



Control flow

Loops

```
dictionary = {"I am": "Groot", "This is": "Sparta"}
for i in dictionary:
    print(i)
dictionary = {"I am": "Groot", "This is": "Sparta"}
for k, v in dictionary.items():
    print(k, v)
```



Exercise 3



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Unleash the force: The light side

- Next to the built-in functions and modules you can use 3rd party imports
- You need to install them first
 - > pip install <PACKAGE_NAME>
- You can find them
 - Python Package Index https://pypi.org/
 - GitHub (you can install directly from a repository)
- Be aware that this packages can also contain harmful code
 - Never install a package from a ZIP archive or similar
 - Look up the developers on GitHub
 - Check the stars on GitHub



Unleash the force: The dark side

```
import argparse
from datetime import datetime, timedelta
from io import IOBase
from typing import ClassVar, Dict, Iterator, List, Tuple, Type, Union
import pandas as pd
from pathlib import Path
from pyteomics import mass
import re
from sdrf_convert.abstract_converter import AbstractConverter
import xml.etree.ElementTree as ET
```

What is the problem here?



Unleash the force: The dark side

```
# std imports
import argparse
from datetime import datetime, timedelta
from io import IOBase
from typing import ClassVar, Dict, Iterator, List, Tuple, Type, Union
from pathlib import Path
import re
# 3rd party imports
import pandas as pd
from pyteomics import mass
import xml.etree.ElementTree as ET
# local import
from sdrf convert.abstract converter import AbstractConverter
```



Unleash the force: Tame the dark side

```
astroid==3.0.1
dill==0.3.7
greenlet==3.0.1
isort==5.12.0
lxml = 4.9.3
mccabe==0.7.0
numpy==1.26.1
pandas==2.0.3
platformdirs==3.11.0
pylint==3.0.2
pyteomics==4.6.3
python-dateutil==2.8.2
pytz==2023.3.post1
-e git+ssh://git@github.com/di-
hardt/sdrf convert.qit@d2c570754dbf8939cd1c35de3a55628697a0e48f#egq=sdrf convert
six==1.16.0
SQLAlchemy==2.0.23
tomlkit==0.12.2
typing_extensions==4.8.0
tzdata==2023.3
```

- Old school:
 requirements.txt
 - contains direct and indirect dependencies (or sub dependencies)
- Why could this be a problem?



Unleash the force: Tame the dark side

```
[build-system]
requires = ["setuptools", "wheel"]
[project]
name = "<SOME_NAME>"
version = "0.0.1"
requires-python = ">=3.11"
dependencies = [
    "pandas >= 2, < 2.1.0",
    "pyteomics >= 4.6, < 5",
   "lxml >= 4.9.3, < 5",
    "sqlalchemy >= 2, < 3",
[project.optional-dependencies]
dev = [
    "pylint"
```

- The newest way:

 pyproject.toml

 contains direct and indirect dependencies (or sub dependencies)
- Don't put them in the conda's environment.toml



Unleash the force: Tame the dark side

```
# Install a requirements.txt
pip install -r requirements.txt
# Install a pyproject.toml
pip install <FOLDER_WHERE_PYPROJECT_TOML_IS_LOCATED>
```



How would you represent a Lab with name, number of postdocs and students?



Let's abstract something by creating a template, a so called class

```
class Lab:
   # constructor
    def __init__(self, name: str, num_postdocs: int, num_students: int) -> Laboratory:
        self.name = name
        self.num postdocs = num postdocs
        self.num students = num students
    def decrease students(self):
        self.num students -= 1
```

Lets build some labs from our template

```
# Create a lab
mann lab = Lab("Mann", 4, 20)
# Create another lab
kuster lab = Lab("Küster", 6, 40)
# We can also arrange them in a list
labs = [mann lab, kuster lab]
# Or directly in a list
labs = [
    Lab("Mann", 4, 20),
    Lab("Küster", 4, 20)
```



Lets build some labs from our template

```
# print all
for lab in labs:
    print(lab.name) # here we accessing the attribute name
=> Mann
=> Küster
```



- Working with objects before
 - List, dictionary, set, string
 - They just have special constructors







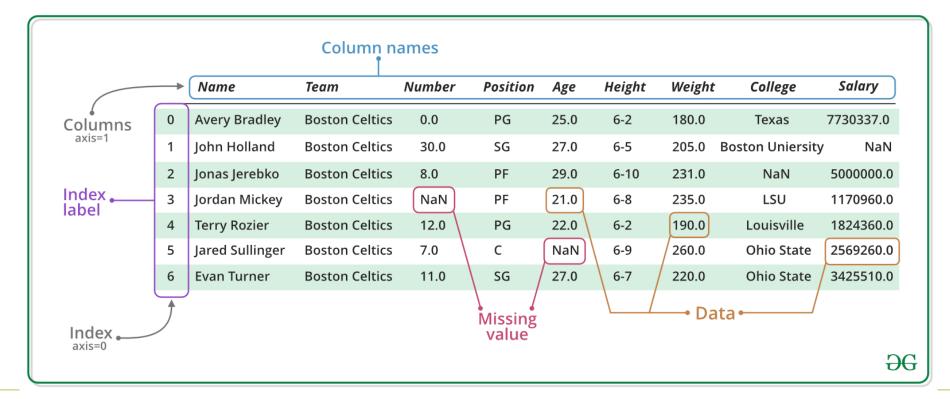
- · Open source python package for data analysis
- Used for data exploration, cleaning and transformation/manipulation
 - "... a more sophisticated Excel"

Pandas

- Works with data series (one dimensional array with indices) and dataframes (table 2D)
- Pandas documentation can be found here: https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/index.html
- And some starter tutorial: https://www.w3schools.com/python/pandas/default.asp



Pandas - Dataframe





Pandas – load your data

- Pandas supports reading of a variety of file formats like excel, csv, tsv, json, hdf, html, sql,)
- We focus on the three most used:

```
# Excel
df_sheet = pd.read_excel("sample.xlsx")
# CSV
df_csv = pd.read_csv("sample.csv")
# JSON
df_json = pd.read_json("sample.json")
```

- The "read" functions comes with a lot of parameters:
 - Excel: sheet_name(1) or sheet_name("sheet_name1") or sheet_name(None)
 - All: decimal = "," or decimal = "."
 - Read all possibilities up in the docs!



Pandas – check your data

- Always check if your file was loaded correctly.
- Either look at the whole dataframe:

```
print(df)
```

But much more recommended:

```
print(df.head()) # prints first 5 rows
```

Check if the columns are right:

```
print(df.columns)
```

Check what your dataframe contains:

```
print(df.info())
```



Pandas - Dropping

Dropping missing values from the whole dataframe:

```
df.dropna()
```

Drop missing values from specific columns:

```
df.dropna(subset = ["col1", "col2", "col3", ...])
```

Remove all columns containing more than 20% NaNs

```
df_20_missing = df.dropna(axis=1, thresh = int(0.8*df.shape[0]))
```

Delete rows with specific value in a specific column:

```
new_df = df[df.column1 != 0]
```

Delete a specific column:

```
new_df = df.drop("column1", axis = 1)
```



Pandas - Imputation

- We can impute all missing values with the function fillna()
- With scalar:

```
df.fillna(0)
df.fillna("spongebob")
```

With object:

```
df.fillna(df.mean()) # (median, sum, ,...)
```



Pandas - Correlation

- Pandas can calculate correlation on the whole dataframe, automatically excluding all NA/null values
- Different methods available: pearson, kendall and spearman
- Returns a dataframe with the correlation matrix
- Correlation within a dataframe:

```
corr = df.corr(method="pearson", numeric_only=False)
```

Correlation with another dataframe:

```
df.corrwith(another_df, method="pearson")
```

In jupyter notebook, we can visualize the matrix as a heatmap with

```
corr.style.background_gradient(cmap="coolwarm")
```



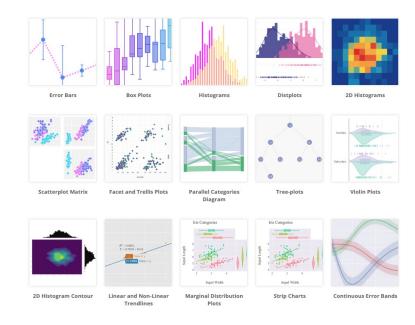
Pandas – Plots

 Pandas supports multiple plot types like bar, hist, box, density, area, scatter and pie plots:

```
df.plot.hist() or df.hist()
df.plot.box() or df.boxplot()
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df.plot.pie(subplots=True, figsize=(8,4));
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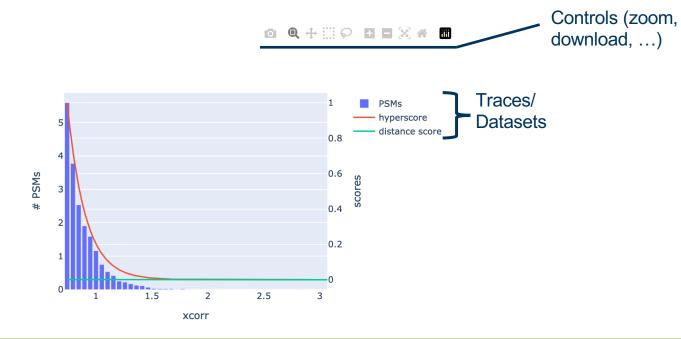


- Plotly is a graphical library that supports multiple programming languages like Python, R, Julia, Javascript, F#...
- · Can create
 - Interactive plots (Jupyter Notebook, HTML/JS)
 - Static images (SVG, PNG, JPEG, PDF, ...)
 - JSON for interchange
 - Languages (Python □ R)
 - Server □ Client
- Can also be created from gglots2!



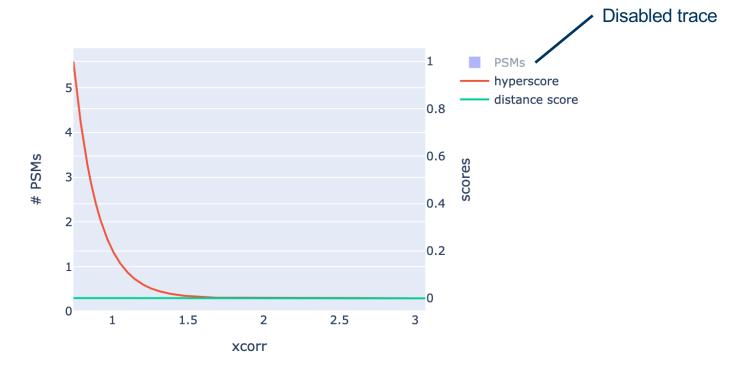


Interactivity!





Interactivity!





```
import plotly.graph_objects as go
fig = go.Figure()
fig.add trace(go.Bar(
   x = df["a col"],
   y = df["another col"]
fig.show()
fig.write_image("fig1.png")
```



Sweetviz

- Open-source Python library to "kickstart" Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)
- High-density visualization
- HTML or jupyter notebook
- Compare 2 Dataframes or 2 subsets of the same dataframe
- More libraries like this:
 - Dtale
 - Autoviz
 - YData Profiling





Exercise 4



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Scientific libraries

- · scipy
 - Mathematical functions (algebra, interpolation, distributions, ...)
- scikit-learn
 - · "Classic" machine learning (Random Forest, SVM, ...)
- PyTorch / Keras
 - Deep Learning
 - Layers types: Dense, Convolution, LSTMs, ...
 - Activation functions: ReLU, Sigmoid, ...
 - Optimizers: SDG, Adam, Nadam, ...



Where to go?

- Get more proficient in object oriented programming
 - Dataclasses & slots
 - Properties
- Dependency management
 - You need to make your code installable and reproducible. Very important for reviewers
- GIT
 - Helps you to keep track of your changes as code will improve iteratively
 - Make your code collaboratively available on GitHub / GitLab etc.
 - The wrong way: Nextcloud, Google Cloud, Dropbox, Word ...



Where to go?

- · (Unit-) Tests
 - Automatic tests will help you keep your code functional after changes
- Practice practice
 - Automate small task
 - Leet code: https://leetcode.com/
 - Provides you with small code challenges and checks your results

