Setting up virtual environments and dependencies in Python 3

Green background represents real, recognized code/commands

Making a python virtual environment:

python3 -m venv <your-environment-name>

Example:

python3 -m venv test-env

Activating an environment:

Unix/MacOS: source <your-environment-name>/bin/activate Windows: <your-environment-name>\Scripts\activate.bat

Example:

source test-env/bin/activate

or

test-env\Scripts\activate.bat

Exiting virtual environment:

deactivate or conda deactivate (depending on distribution/version installed)

Installing packages in/for an environment:

Use pip, etc. like you normally would

Example:

pip install numpy

Viewing installed packages (via pip):

pip list

Install many (required) packages at once:

pip install -r requirements.txt

Where requirements.txt contains a list of packages, with specific versions using == Example contents:

requests==2.7.0

numpy

Export installed packages to requirements.txt:

pip freeze > requirements.txt