

# Introduction to Data Science (Lecture 4)

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### **Python Programming Language**

• In this course, we work with **Python** and its libraries.





### **Python Programming**

- In this class, we will <u>briefly</u> review the <u>basics</u> of python programming for beginners, and then we will more focus on <u>python libraries and packages</u> (such as scikit-learn machine learning library, ...).
- For Python beginners, we highly recommend you to boost your programming skills. Here
  are some good and free references:
  - Python Doc: <a href="https://docs.python.org/3.7/tutorial/index.html">https://docs.python.org/3.7/tutorial/index.html</a>
  - Google's Python class: <a href="https://developers.google.com/edu/python">https://developers.google.com/edu/python</a>
  - Python for Informatics: www.pythonlearn.com
  - **—** ...





- Jupyter Notebook (previously known as ipython Notebook) is a web-based interactive development environment, in which you can combine code execution, text and notations (markdown), mathematics, and plots.
- The Jupyter Notebook will be run under your <u>browser</u>. It supports a number of programming languages including <u>Python, Julia, Octave, and R</u>.
- See <a href="http://jupyter.org/">http://jupyter.org/</a> for more information ...
- In this class, we will be using Jupyter Notebook to do your homework and projects.



#### **How to install Jupyter Notebook?**

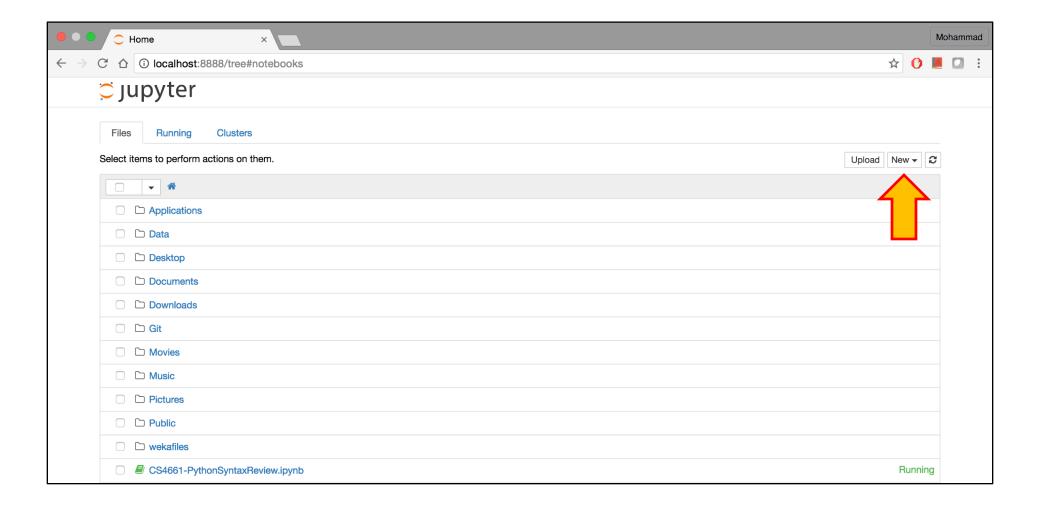
- There are various ways to install Jupyter. However, for new users,
   we recommend installing Anaconda package that includes Python and Jupyter.
- Anaconda is a free platform that easily installs <u>Python, Jupyter Notebook</u>, and many other popular packages for data science such as <u>Scikit-Learn, Numpy, Pandas, Scipy, ...</u>
- Installation steps:
  - Go to <a href="https://www.continuum.io/downloads">https://www.continuum.io/downloads</a>
  - Download and Install Anaconda with Python 3.x version.
  - Now, you have Python, Jupyter Notebook, and many other useful data processing packages!



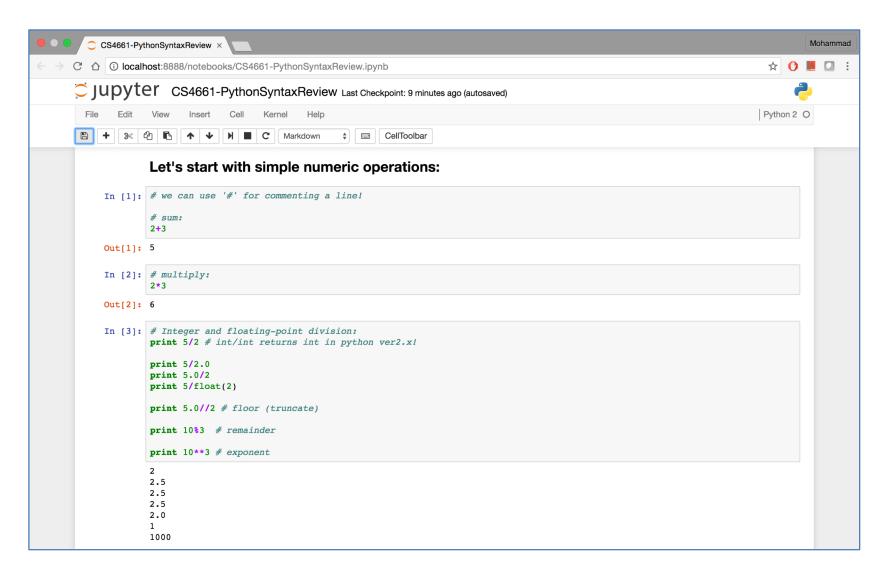
#### **How to run Jupyter Notebook?**

- To run the Jupyter notebook:
  - Type "jupyter notebook" at the terminal (command line) to open the dashboard.
  - Don't close the terminal window while the Notebook is running.











- The Jupyter Notebook include cells. Each cell can be executed independently. You
  can add/remove cells, or arrange the order of them.
- A piece of code, or several lines of the code that we want to run together can be written in a single cell.
- Now, Let's open file CS4661-PythonSyntaxReview.ipynb in Jupyter notebook to continue python tutorial.

