

SECTION 2: PYTHON SETUP / 54 mins, 5 parts

• 3/5 Running Python Code

- -> an outline of ways for running Python code
 - -> environments -> the thing you type Python into
 - -> ways of working with Python
 - -> text editors (you create the .py file in the text editor and then run it in the terminal)
 - -> these can be customised using plugins and add-ons
 - -> you sacrifice autocomplete etc
 - -> sublime text and atom <- these are the most popular examples
 - -> these are free
 - -> full IDEs
 - -> for more different use cases with Python
 - -> these have larger file sizes / add-ins
 - -> **there is a pro version and a community version -> so teams of developers can work on them etc**
 - -> PyCharm and Spyder <- these are the most popular IDEs for Python
 - -> notebook environments
 - -> this course starts with notebooks then moves towards .py files
 - -> these use blocks of code (cells) -> and are good for operating in a learning environment
 - -> **the code doesn't need to be ran in the terminal (unlike with text editors)**
 - -> **there is in line mark down, videos, visualisations, images etc are also supported**
 - -> ipynb files (because they have all this extra functionality)
 - -> you can't just double click on these files -> you need to open it in the Anaconda environment (o.e, this is popular in ML / data)
- -> using whichever environment for the material in the course depending on what resources are available
- -> how to run Python code
 - -> thought process
 - -> download the text editor, create a .py file and run it in it in the command line
 - -> then take the same code and run it in a JN (Jupyter Notebook)
 - -> downloading the text editor
 - -> in this case it's sublime
 - -> there is a free trial
 - -> unlimited free trial
 - -> create the .py file using the text editor
 - he types out Python
 - -> print('hello world') #this is standard
 - -> then file save as filename.py
 - -> once the text editor knows which language it's loading -> then it colour codes the text
 - -> when he saves it he also takes note of the directory

- -> then he opens the file in the terminal
 - -> he's cd'd into the location of the file
 - -> then -> `python filename.py` <- you know if it's worked if you click tab and it fills in the rest of the filename
 - -> then it prints the output of the file in the terminal
 - -> you can also type `python ->` which will return information about the version of Python etc being used in the terminal
 - -> to exit out of Python in the terminal -> `quit()`
- -> opening the same file in the Anaconda environment
 - -> the difference between the .py file in the txt editor -> and then open it in the terminal approach -> is that that method a) requires you to know linux and b) doesn't include markdown cells like the JN's do
 - -> he opens the .py file using the Anaconda GUI
 - it's not the same as the .ipynb environment
 - -> so he's opened the .py file in the Anaconda environment, then created an .ipynb environment and pasted it into a code (vs markdown cell)
- -> so -> either you can create a .py file in a txt editor and then open it in the terminal, or do the entire thing in an Anaconda environment in this example
- -> help -> keyboard shortcuts (when you're in an .ipynb in Anaconda)
- -> in the Anaconda environment -> there is also markdown / code cells
- -> .ipynb
 - -> you can't double click on a file with this extension and expect it to open
 - -> it will open in the default program (in this case sublime, otherwise - error message etc)