

Advanced Python

Class 1

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Who am I?



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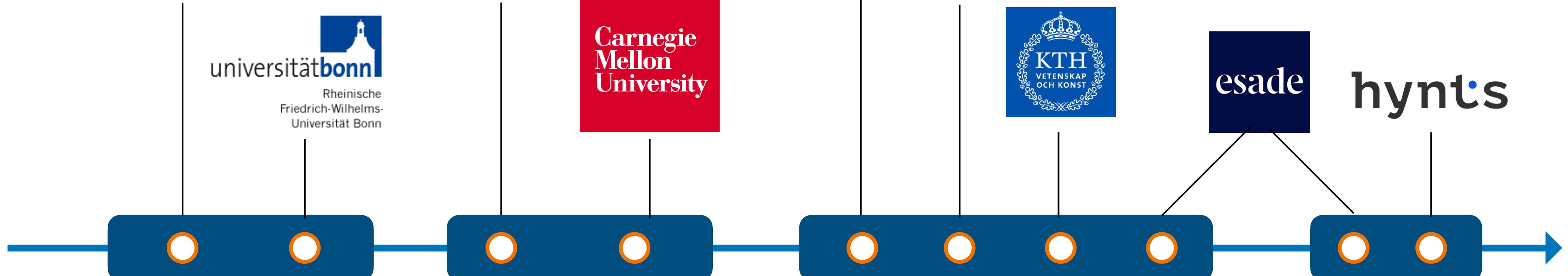


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Topic 1: What is this course about?

What are we going to learn?

- Scripting (VStudio)
- GitHub 2 (CD & CI)
- Classes
- Project Structure
- Click
- Testing
- Linting + Clean Code
- Debugging
- Multiprocessing
- GitHub 1 (Version Control)



```
31     def __init__(self, path=None, debug=False):
32         self._path = path
33         self._logger = logging.getLogger(__name__)
34         self._file = None
35         self._fingerprints = set()
36         self._logduplicates = True
37         self._debug = debug
38         self._logger.setLevel(logging.DEBUG if debug else logging.INFO)
39
40         if path:
41             self._file = open(os.path.join(path, 'fingerprint.log'), 'a')
42             self._file.seek(0)
43             self._fingerprints.update(self._file.read().split())
44
45     @classmethod
46     def from_settings(cls, settings):
47         debug = settings.getbool('SUPERVISOR_DEBUG')
48         return cls(job_dir(settings), debug)
49
50     def request_seen(self, request):
51         fp = self.request_fingerprint(request)
52         if fp in self._fingerprints:
53             return True
54         self._fingerprints.add(fp)
55         if self._file:
56             self._file.write(fp + os.linesep)
57
58     def request_fingerprint(self, request):
59         return request_fingerprint(request)
60
61     def __del__(self):
62         if self._file:
63             self._file.close()
```

How is it going to be graded?

- **60% Active participation and class attendance:**
 - 5 % Attendance
 - 55 % coding exercises (May involve after class work)
 - Exercises will be uploaded to the Moodle after every session.



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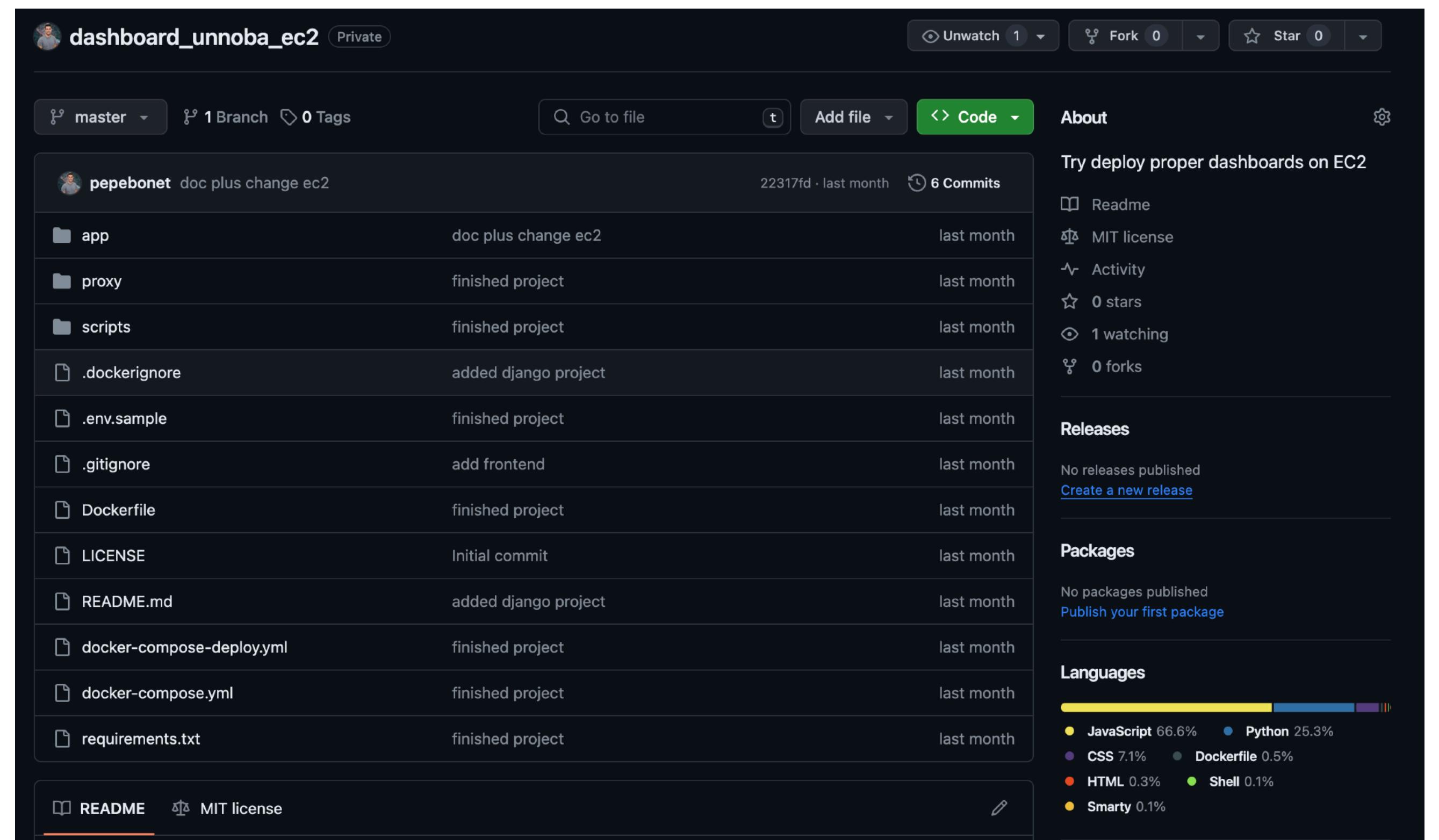
- **60% Active participation and class attendance:**
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 - Exercises will be uploaded to the Moodle after every session.
- **40% Final project:**
 - GitHub repository containing all your files and scripts applying the concepts learned in class on a dataset.
 - Upload both to the Moodle max two weeks after the last lecture.



Final Project

A GitHub repository containing all the things we see during the course for a given dataset:

- Scripting (VStudio)
- Classes
- Click
- Debugging
- GitHub 1 (Version Control)
- GitHub 2 (CD & CI)
- Project Structure
- Testing
- Multiprocessing
- Linting + Clean Code



Prerequisites of the Course

- Beginners Python Course
- Intermediate Python Course
- Pandas, Matplotlib, SkLearn
- Functions
- Data Analysis
- Comment and write clean code



Before we start

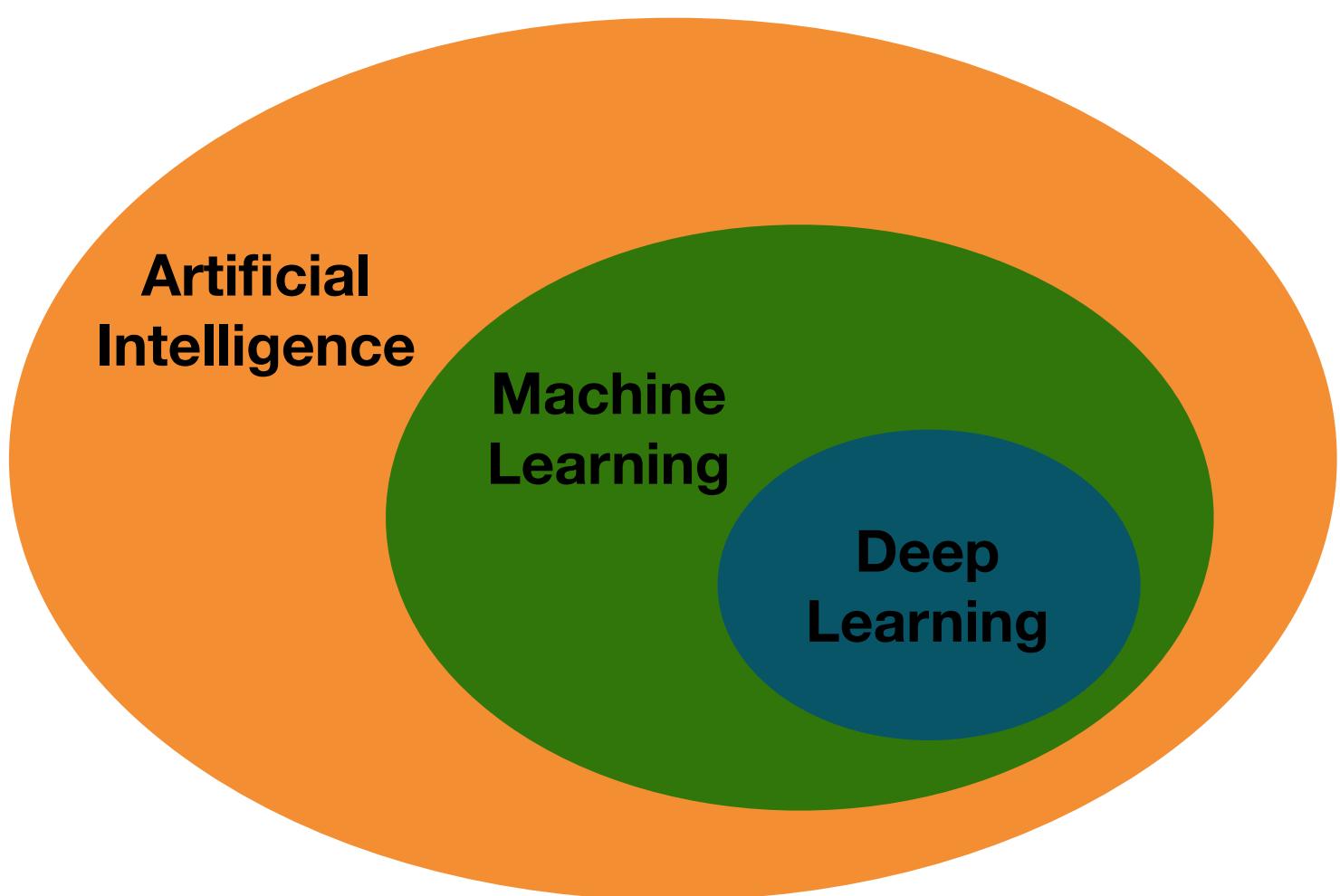


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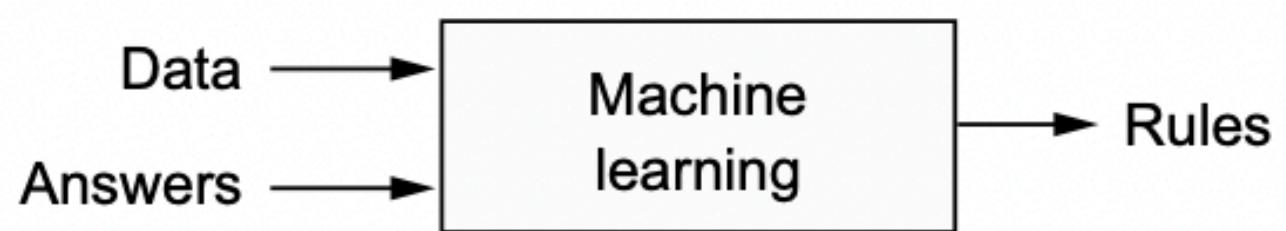
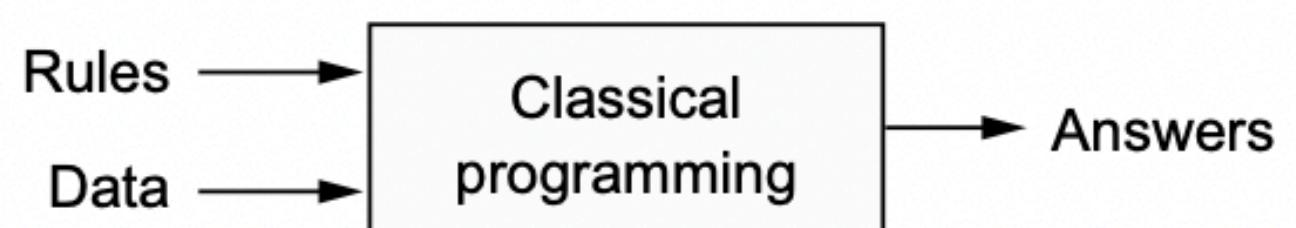
- **1st Time ever I am teaching the course**
 - Feedback is appreciated
 - We will see how fast we cover topics as we go
- **Some topics we will cover are not easy**
 - I struggle as well (at least to code them without help)
 - Not many people can produce the code we will work on without preparation or significant experience

Topic 2: AI revolution & Programming

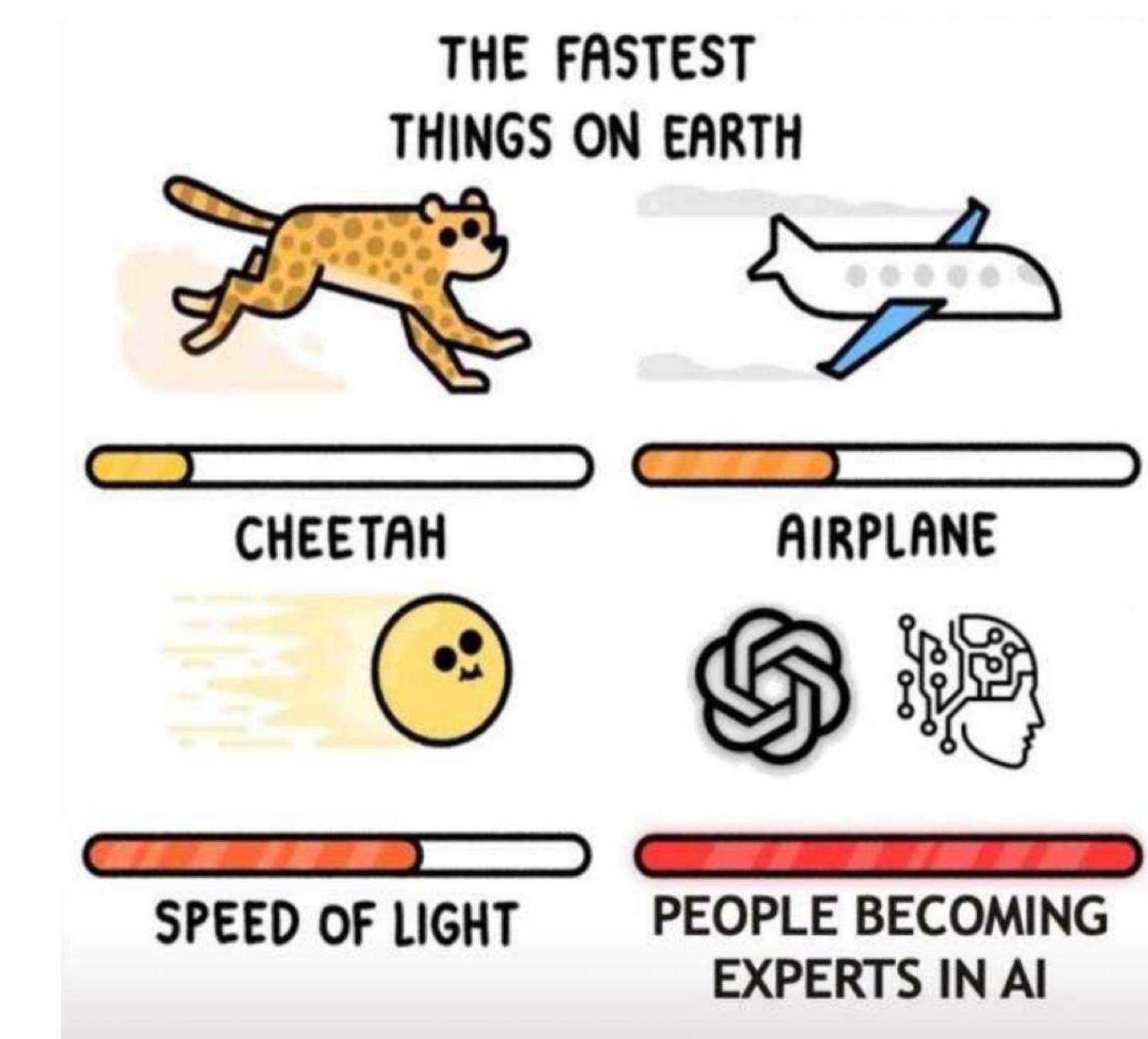
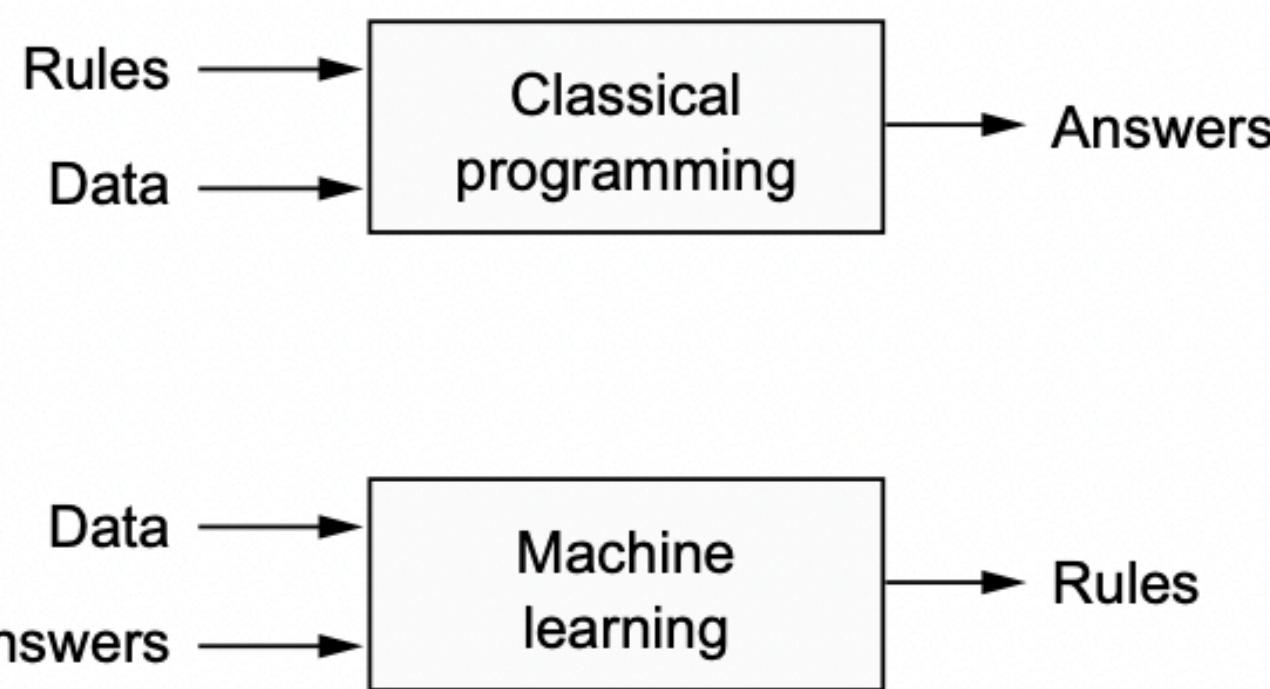
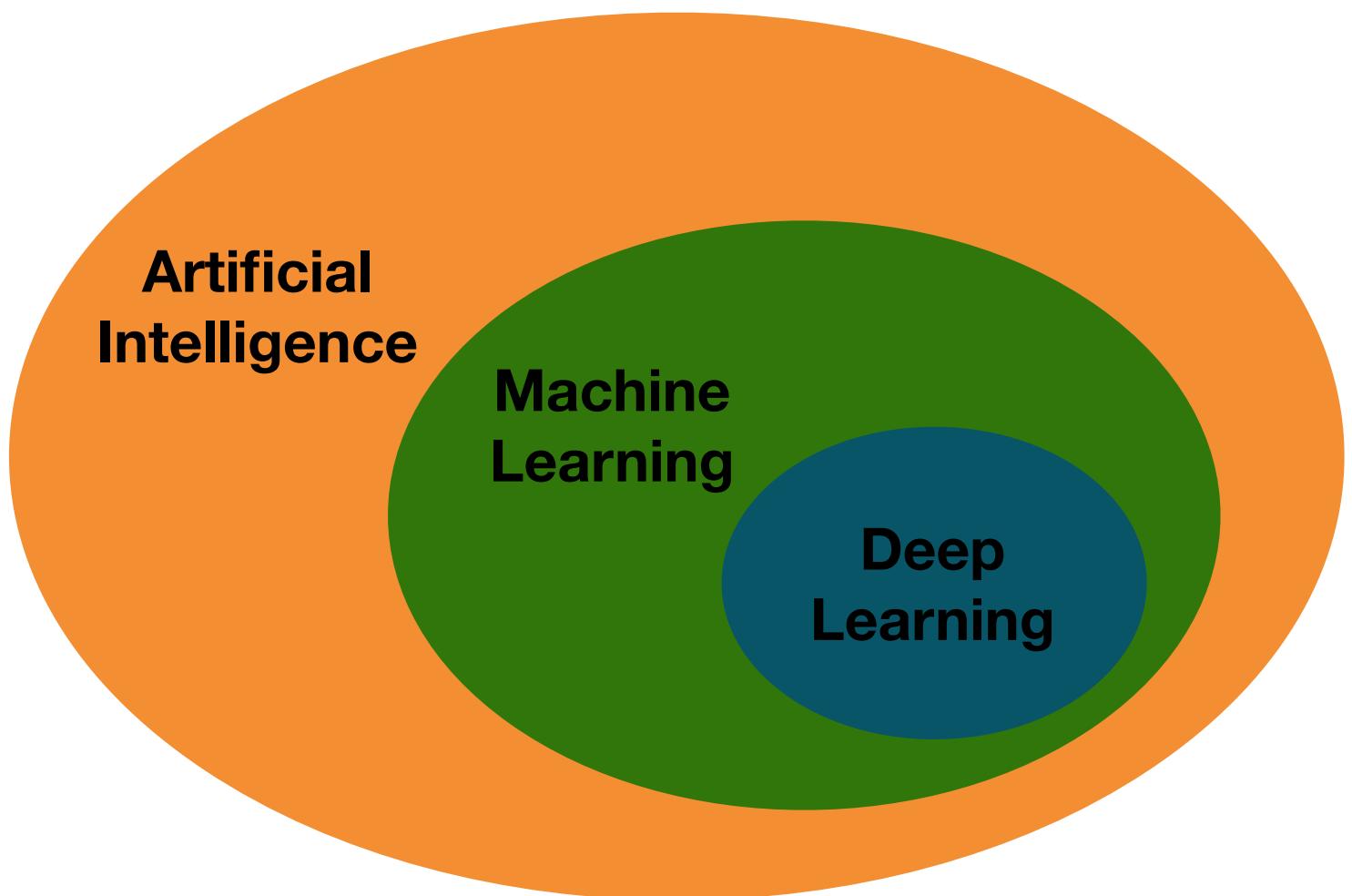
A bit of AI



- AI: Effort to automate intellectual tasks normally performed by humans



A bit of AI



The AI race has started



Programming languages are behind this revolution as well

- We need to tell the computers to do all of these things
- Programming languages allow us to **communicate with computers**
- A programming language is a **notation system** for writing **computer programs**



Why Python?



- Versatile, and powerful **programming language**
- Concise, and **easy to learn**, use and read
- **Large python community** (Widely used)
- Large number of libraries (Big data, Machine Learning)
- **High demand** in the job market

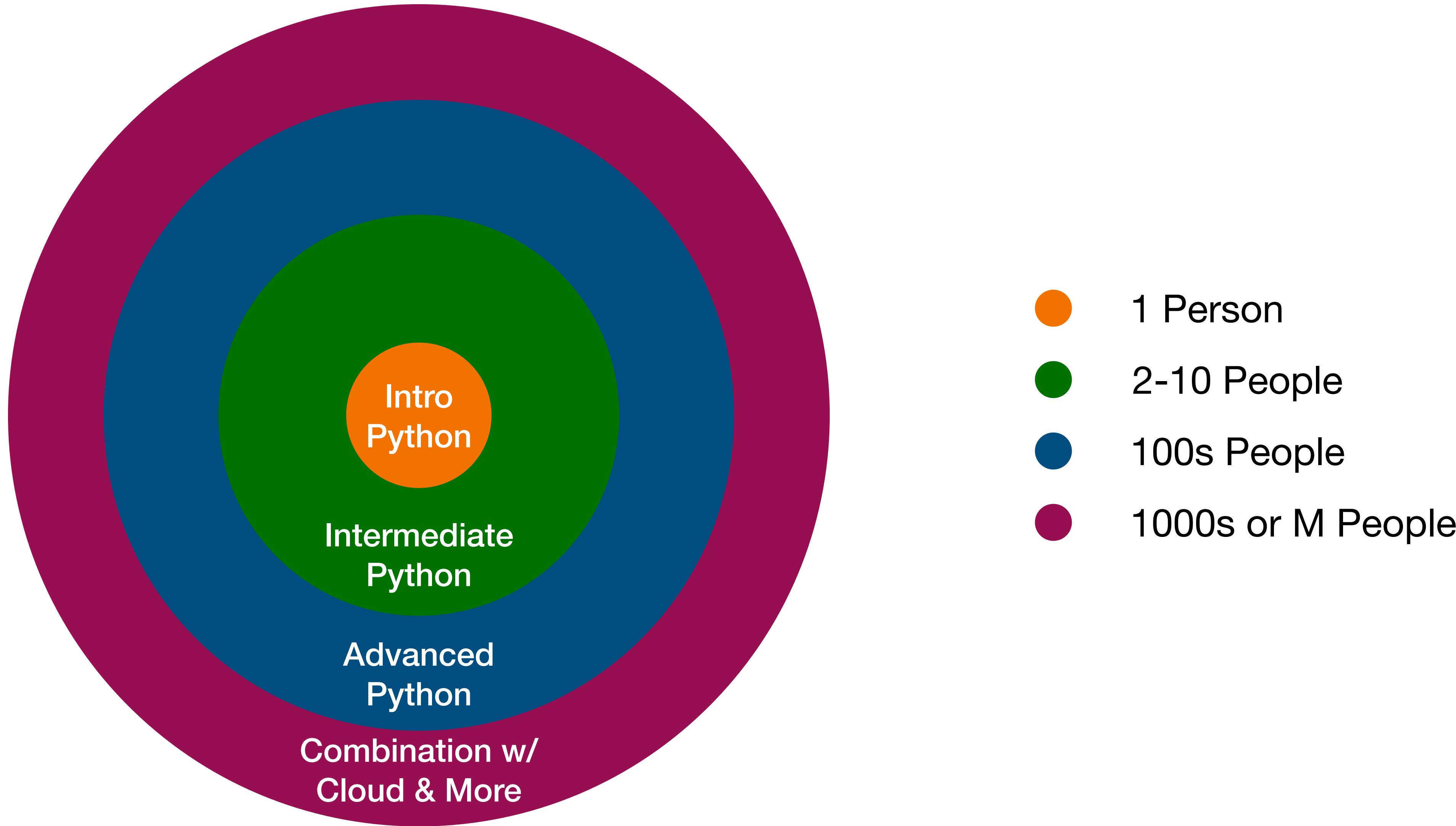
```
import tensorflow as tf
from tensorflow.keras.layers import *
from tensorflow.keras.models import Model, Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.applications.inception_v3 import InceptionV3

class ConvBlock(Model):
    def __init__(self, filters, kernel_size):
        super(ConvBlock, self).__init__()
        self.conv = Conv2D(filters, kernel_size, padding="same",
                          kernel_initializer="lecun_normal")
        self.bn = BatchNormalization()
        self.relu = ReLU()

    def call(self, inputs):
        x = self.conv(inputs)
        x = self.bn(x)
        x = self.relu(x)
        return x
```

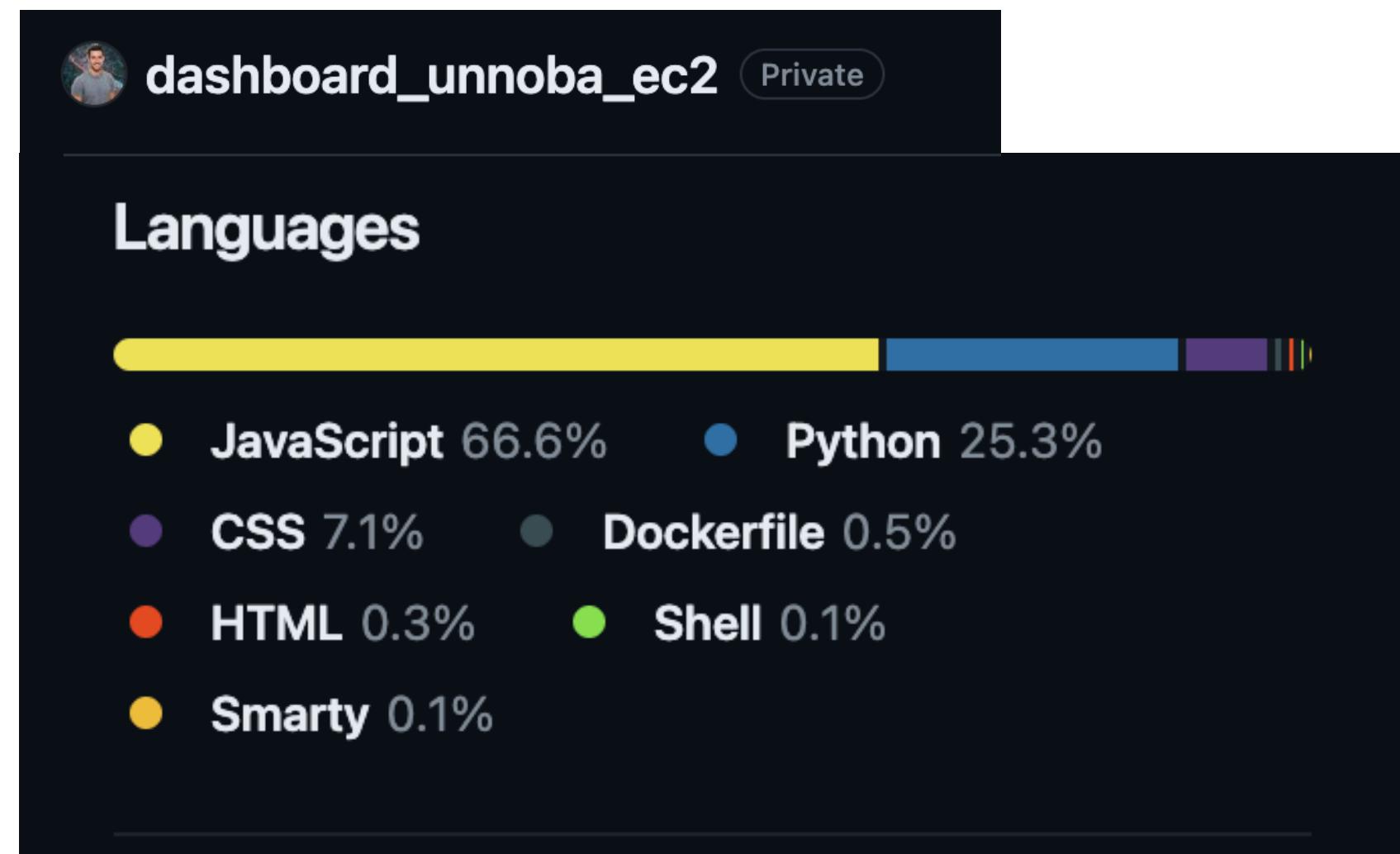
Topic 3: Advanced Programming/Python

Scaling your code



Advanced Programming is more than just Python

- When developing any type of applications or solution for the public we may need to work on more than one programming language



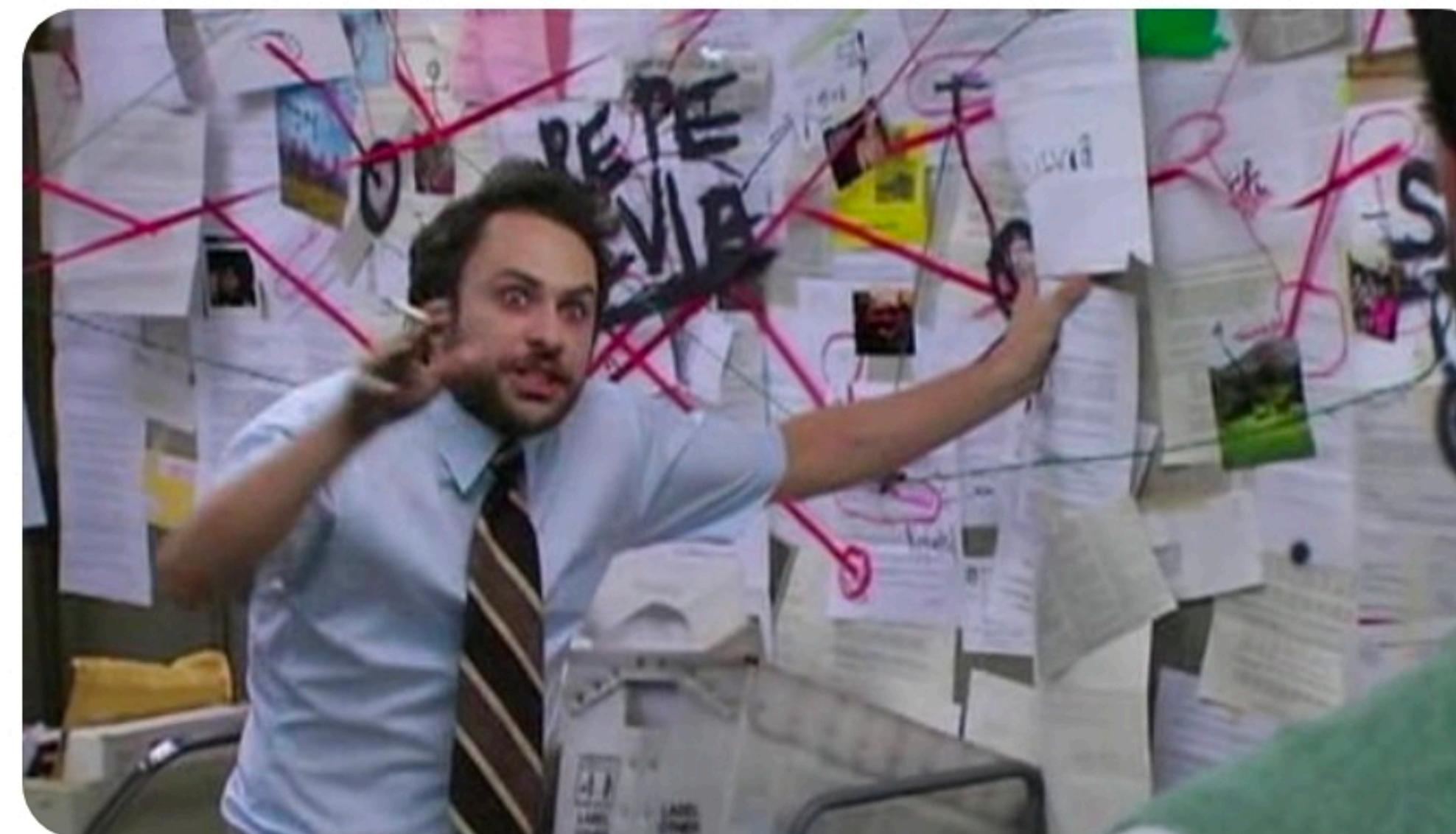
We need some changes. Move away from Notebooks

- JNs are incredibly used in data projects and ML. However, keep in mind they are not easy to understand for people that did not code in the first place



Chris Albon ✅ @chrisalbon · 1d

Me explaining the execution order of my Jupyter notebook cells.



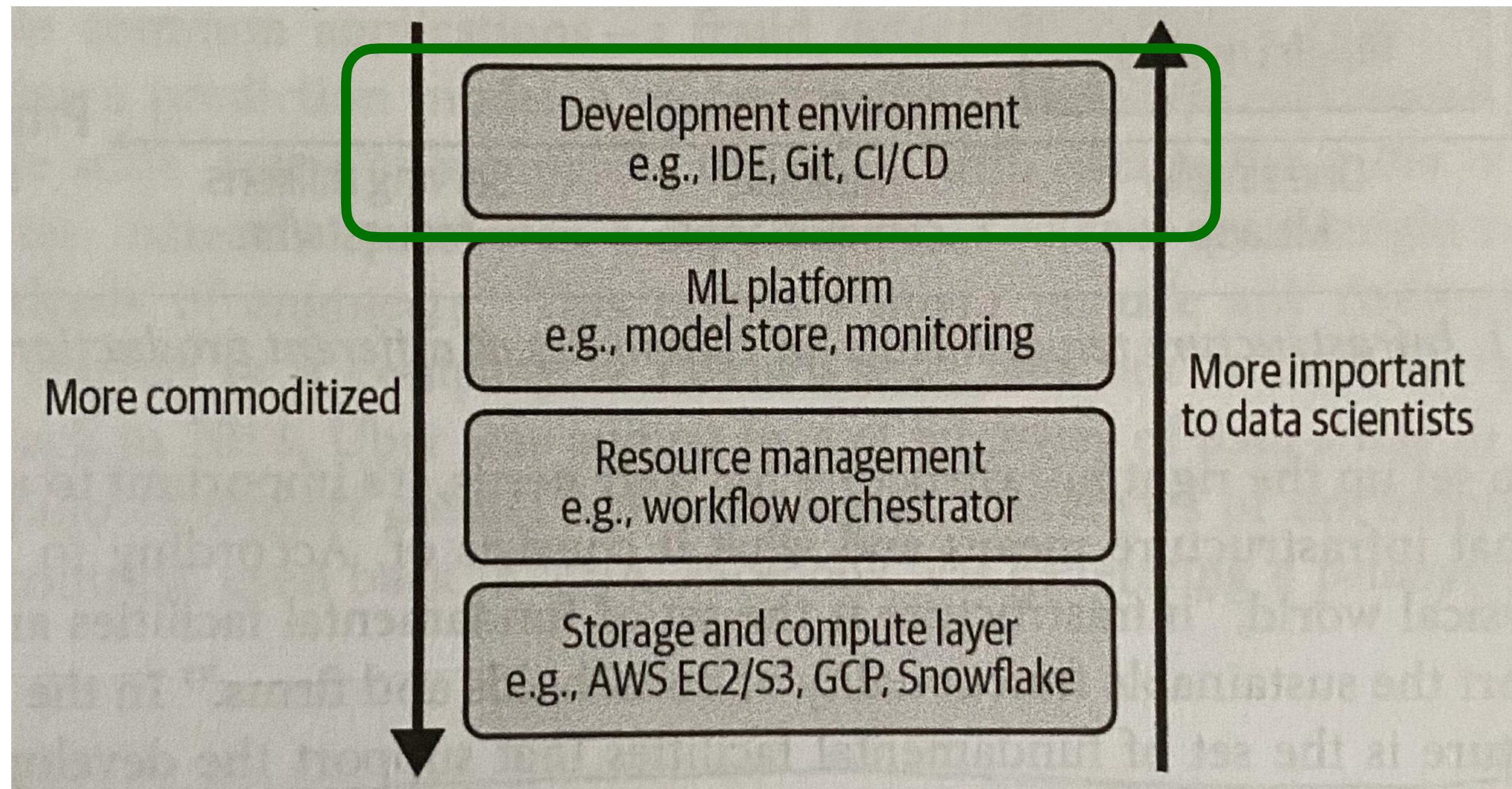
Advanced Python main topics

- Scripting (VStudio)
- Classes
- Click
- Debugging
- GitHub 1 (Version Control)
- GitHub 2 (CD & CI)
- Project Structure
- Testing
- Multiprocessing
- Exceptions + assert
- Linting + Clean Code
- Makefile

Advanced Python main topics

Okay Pepe that is a lot of information. But,
where do we start?

Layers of a Scalable Infrastructure (ML in this case)



- We will focus on the development environment
- Where the code is written and run
- The code needs to be versioned and tested
- Experiments need to be tracked

The Development Environment

“If you have time to set up only one piece of infrastructure well, make it the development environment”

Ville Tuulos

IDE

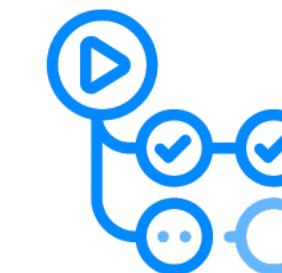


Sublime Text

Code Versioning



CI/CD



GitHub Actions



Let's not only do JN - A bit of IDE hands-on

- Open Visual Studio and let's play with it a bit



Let's move on from JN - A bit of IDE hands-on

- Open VS
- Go to the Desktop
- Create new folder
- Create new .ipynb
- Try importing pandas (problems may arise - next slide)

Solving this:

- We need to install pandas and ipykernel and load the package for our Jupyter Notebooks in VSCode

- **pip install pandas**
- **pip install ipykernel**

- Option 1:

- Go to Anaconda-Navigator. Create an environment (Environments → Create → give it a name + python + create).
- Install the packages → play button → Open terminal → run pip commands

- Option 2:

- Open terminal in VScode: View → Terminal
- Create an environment (Maybe not needed)
- Run the commands to install the packages

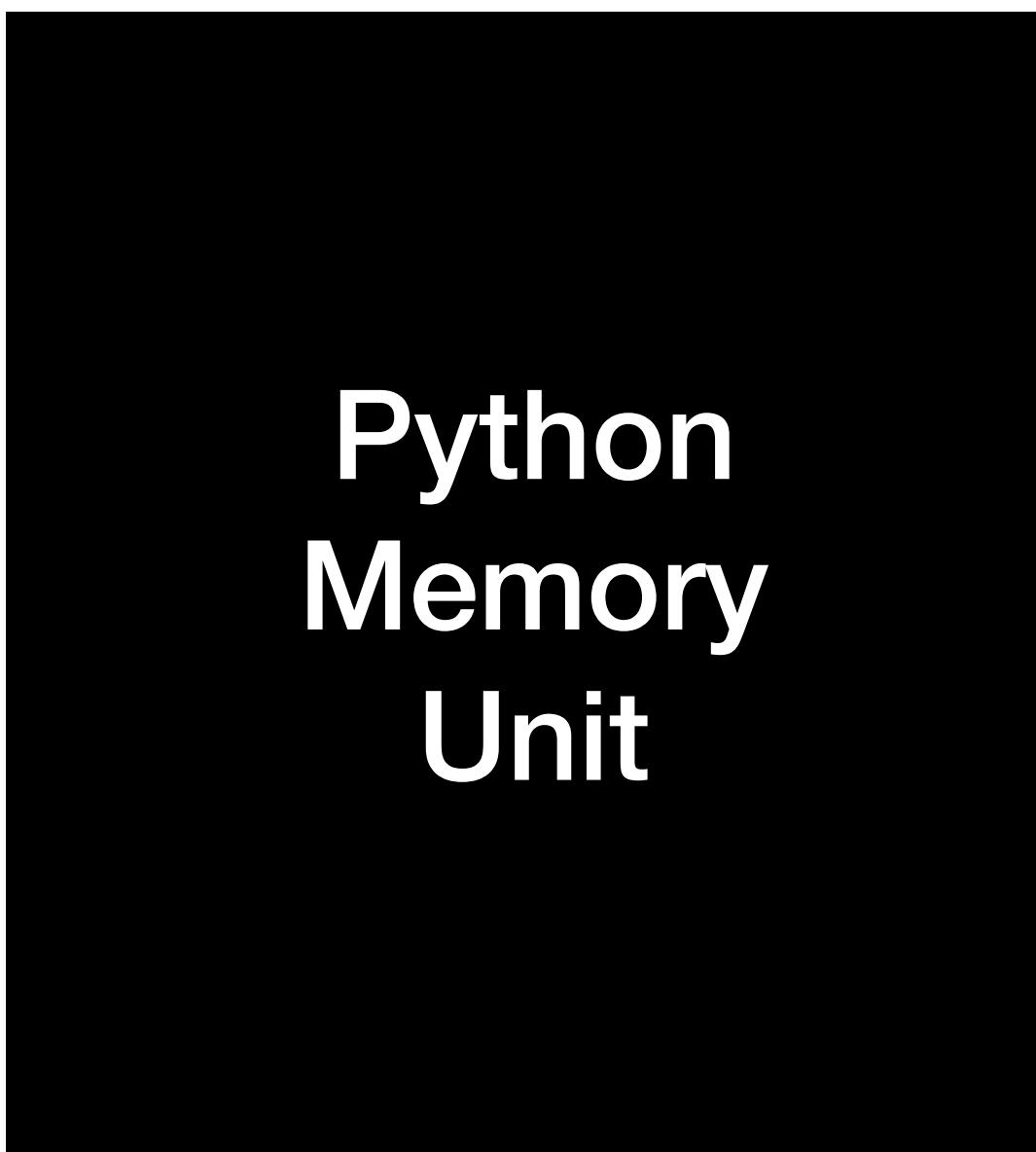
- Option 3 (For Windows):

- Open Anaconda terminal. Build Environment and install packages

Topic 4: Python Basics Recap

Variables

- What is a variable? A place for storing data values (Numbers, text, DataFrames, Lists, dictionaries...)
- Types of variables: float, int, string/text, boolean, tuple, dict



Lists

- One of the building blocks of Python for storing information
- A way of storing multiple items in a single variable

```
Sports = ['Football', 'Basketball', 'Hockey']
```

```
Students = ['Iñigo', 'Tomas', 'Margarita', 'Antonella']
```

- List indexing: Students[0]
- List operations: *append, remove, count...*

Dictionaries

- Another building block of Python for storing information
- Dictionaries are used to store data values in key-value pairs
 - `my_dict = { key : value}`
 - To index dictionaries: `my_dict[key]`
 - List operations: *update, pop, keys, values*

```
my_dict = {
    'Players': ['Messi', 'Ronaldo', 'Maradona'],
    'Goals' : [10, 8, 6]
}
```

```
my_dict
{'Players': ['Messi', 'Ronaldo', 'Maradona'],
 'Goals': [10, 8, 6]}
```

```
my_dict['Players']
['Messi', 'Ronaldo', 'Maradona']
```

```
my_dict.update({'Assists' : [12, 3, 5]})
```

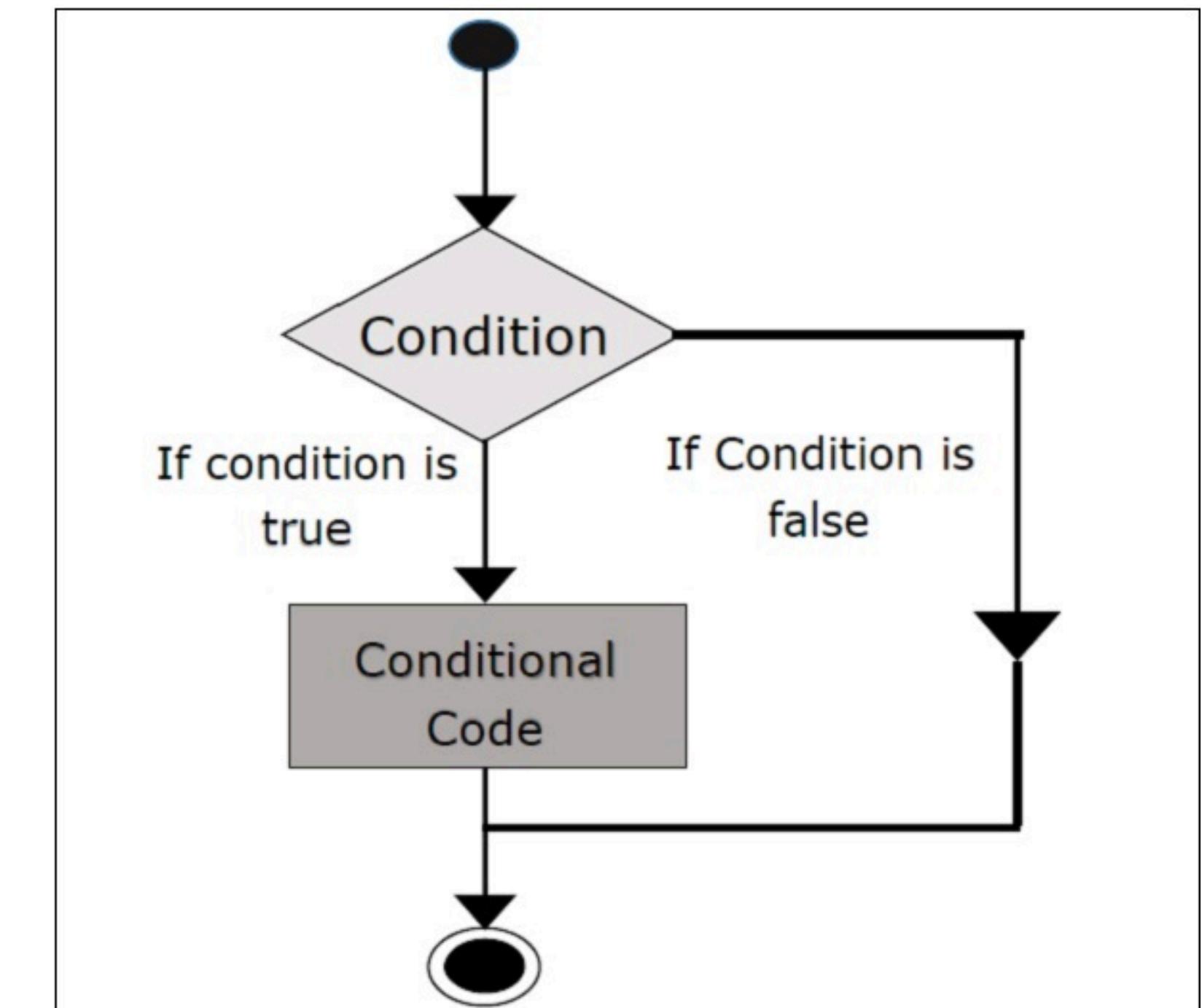
```
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 'Goals': [10, 8, 6],
 'Assists': [12, 3, 5]}
```

If-Else statements

- Evaluate test expressions and execute the code only when the test condition is true.
- Suppose two variables **a** and **b**. We can assess:
 - $a == b$, $a != b$, $a > b$, $a < b$, $a \leq b$, $a \geq b$

```
In [26]: if a == 10:  
    print('The variable a is equal to 10')  
else:  
    print('The variable a is different than 10')
```

The variable a is different than 10



For loops

- For loops are used to iterate over sequences like lists, arrays, dictionaries, or others.

```
In [63]: students = ['Margarita', 'Antonella', 'Tomas', 'Iñigo']
for el in students:
    print(el)
```

```
Margarita
Antonella
Tomas
Iñigo
```

```
In [61]: for el in students:
    if el == 'Iñigo':
        print('This student is Iñigo')
    else:
        print('This is other student')
```

```
This is other student
This is other student
This student is Iñigo
This is other student
This is other student
```

Functions

- A function is a block of code that only runs when it is called.
- You can pass data, known as parameters, into a function.
- A function can return data as a result.

```
In [78]: def square_root(x):  
    return x ** 0.5
```

```
In [79]: square_root(36)
```

```
Out[79]: 6.0
```

```
In [80]: square_root(16)
```

```
Out[80]: 4.0
```

```
In [71]: def sum_two(my_list):  
    new_list = []  
    for el in my_list:  
        new_list.append(el + 2)  
    return new_list
```

```
In [73]: list1 = [0, 1, 2, 3]  
list2 = [0, -1, -2, -3]
```

```
In [76]: sum_two(list1)
```

```
Out[76]: [2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
In [77]: sum_two(list2)
```

```
Out[77]: [2, 1, 0, -1]
```

Exercise

- Create a function that computes and returns the square of any number that is passed to the functions. ([Do examples](#))

Exercise

- Create 3 functions:
 - 2 of them connected (one calls another)
 - With multiple input parameters
 - That perform different tasks

How do python libraries work



Step 0
Load the package

In [2]: `import pandas as pd`

Python Memory
Unit

Loads all pandas
functions

Python
Programming
Unit

`import pandas as pd`

Step 1: Load a csv / tsv / excel file

- To work with a dataset in Jupyter Notebook we need to load it.
- We can load any file type: csv, tsv, excel...
- This allows us to start exploring the data

Step 1 Load dataset in Jupyter notebook

```
In [2]: df = pd.read_csv('../datasets/Dataset_credit_scoring.tsv', sep='\t')
```

```
In [3]: df_excel = pd.read_excel('../datasets/Dataset_credit_scoring.xlsx')
```

```
In [12]: df_excel.head()
```

```
Out[12]:
```

| | Occupation | Age | Loan_Salary_ratio | Outcome |
|---|--------------|-----|-------------------|---------|
| 0 | Industrial | 34 | 2.96 | Repay |
| 1 | Professional | 41 | 4.64 | Default |
| 2 | Professional | 36 | 3.22 | Default |
| 3 | Professional | 41 | 3.11 | Default |
| 4 | Industrial | 48 | 3.80 | Default |

Rows

Columns

Step 2: Data frame exploration

- One the most important things is to learn how to explore the data before taking actions
- To do so there are a set of simple functions that can be employed:
 - `columns`, `index`, `describe()`, `info()`, `dtypes`, `head()`, `tail()`

```
df.columns
```

```
Index(['Rank', 'Name', 'Age', 'End_Of_Watch', 'Day_Of_Week', 'Cause',
       'Department', 'State', 'Tour', 'Badge', 'Weapon', 'Offender',
       'Summary'],
      dtype='object')
```

```
df.shape
```

```
(25623, 13)
```

```
df.index
```

```
RangeIndex(start=0, stop=25623, step=1)
```

```
df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 25623 entries, 0 to 25622
Data columns (total 13 columns):
 #   Column            Non-Null Count  Dtype  
 ---  -- 
 0   Rank              25623 non-null   object 
 1   Name              25623 non-null   object 
 2   Age               22946 non-null   float64
```

Step 3: Operations with Columns & Rows

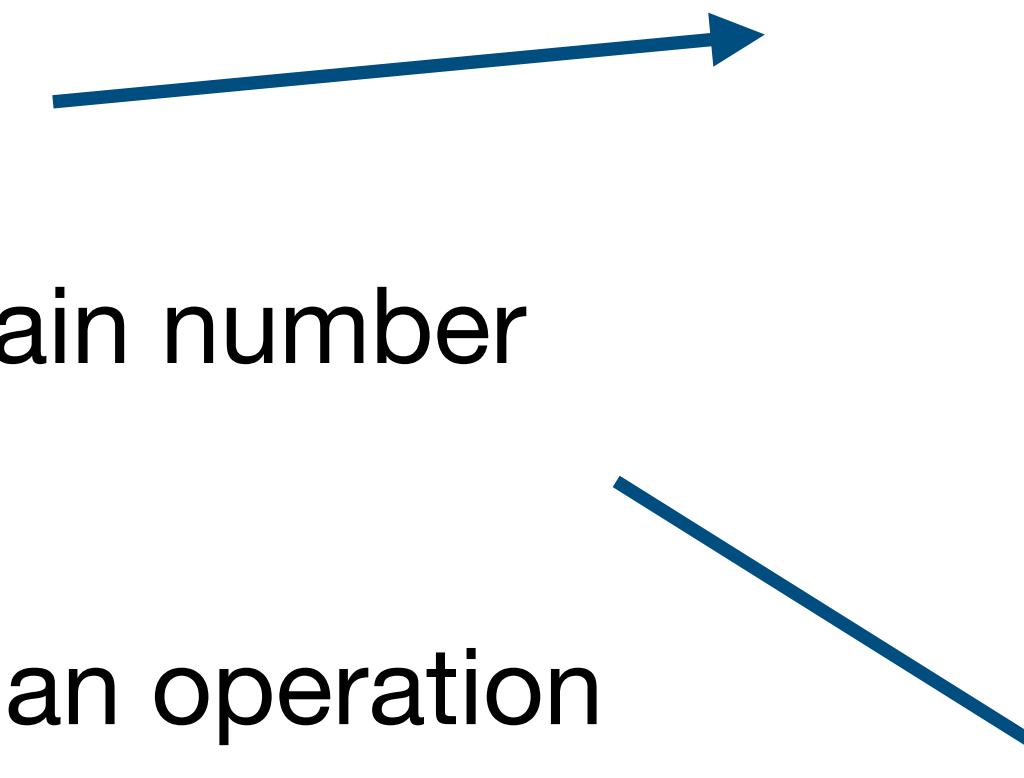
- Separate DataFrames
- Filter Data by selecting a certain number of columns or rows
- Create new columns through an operation

You can also delete columns

```
new_list = []

for el in df['Age'].tolist():
    if el > 50:
        new_list.append(1)
    else:
        new_list.append(0)

df['Binary age'] = new_list
df.head(2)
```



```
less_50 = df[df['Age'] <= 50]
less_50.head(2)
```

| | Rank | Name | Age | End_Of_Watch | Day_Of_Week | Cause |
|---|---------|----------------|------|--------------|-------------|---------|
| 3 | Marshal | Robert Forsyth | 40.0 | 1794-01-11 | Saturday | Gunfire |
| 5 | Sheriff | Robert Maxwell | 45.0 | 1797-11-12 | Sunday | Gunfire |

```
less_50['Age'].median(), less_50['Age'].max()

(35.0, 50.0)
```

```
new_df = df[['Rank', 'Name', 'Age']]
new_df.head()
```

| | Rank | Name | Age |
|---|----------------|--------------------|------|
| 0 | Constable | Darius Quimby | NaN |
| 1 | Sheriff | Cornelius Hogeboom | 53.0 |
| 2 | Deputy Sheriff | Isaac Smith | NaN |
| 3 | Marshal | Robert Forsyth | 40.0 |
| 4 | Deputy Sheriff | Robert Berwick | NaN |

```
new_df = df.iloc[0:10]
new_df.shape
```

(10, 13)

Groupby + apply + Lambda Function

- Combining all of them gives us an easy way to go through the data

```
df.groupby('Day_Of_Week').apply(lambda x: x['Age Range'].value_counts())
```

- "split-apply-combine" operation:

- Splitting the data into groups based on some criteria
- Applying a function to each group independently
- Combining the results into a data structure

| Day_Of_Week | Age Range | Older than 24 but younger than 45 | Older than 44 | Younger than 25 |
|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | Friday | 2009 | 1550 | 181 |
| Monday | 1840 | 1482 | 193 | |
| Saturday | 2188 | 1610 | 204 | |
| Sunday | 2042 | 1507 | 216 | |
| Thursday | 1959 | 1483 | 178 | |
| Tuesday | 1882 | 1460 | 175 | |
| Wednesday | 1856 | 1424 | 184 | |

Work on your code! You are not the only one reading it!

Comment your code

```
# Create a list of numbers
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

# Create a new list to store the results
results = []

# Iterate over the numbers in the list
for number in numbers:
    # Subtract 2 from each number and append the result to the results list
    results.append(number - 2)
```

1. Use clear and descriptive variable and function names. Instead of x (or y, z, l, j) put a proper name, i.e., results, number
2. Comment explaining what the code is meant to do
3. Explain complex or obscure code
4. Update comments as you make changes to your code

Which option do you prefer?

1

```
def calculate_discounted_price(price, discount_rate):
    """
    Calculates the discounted price of an item given its original price and discount rate.
    :param price: The original price of the item
    :param discount_rate: The discount rate as a percentage
    :return: The discounted price of the item
    """

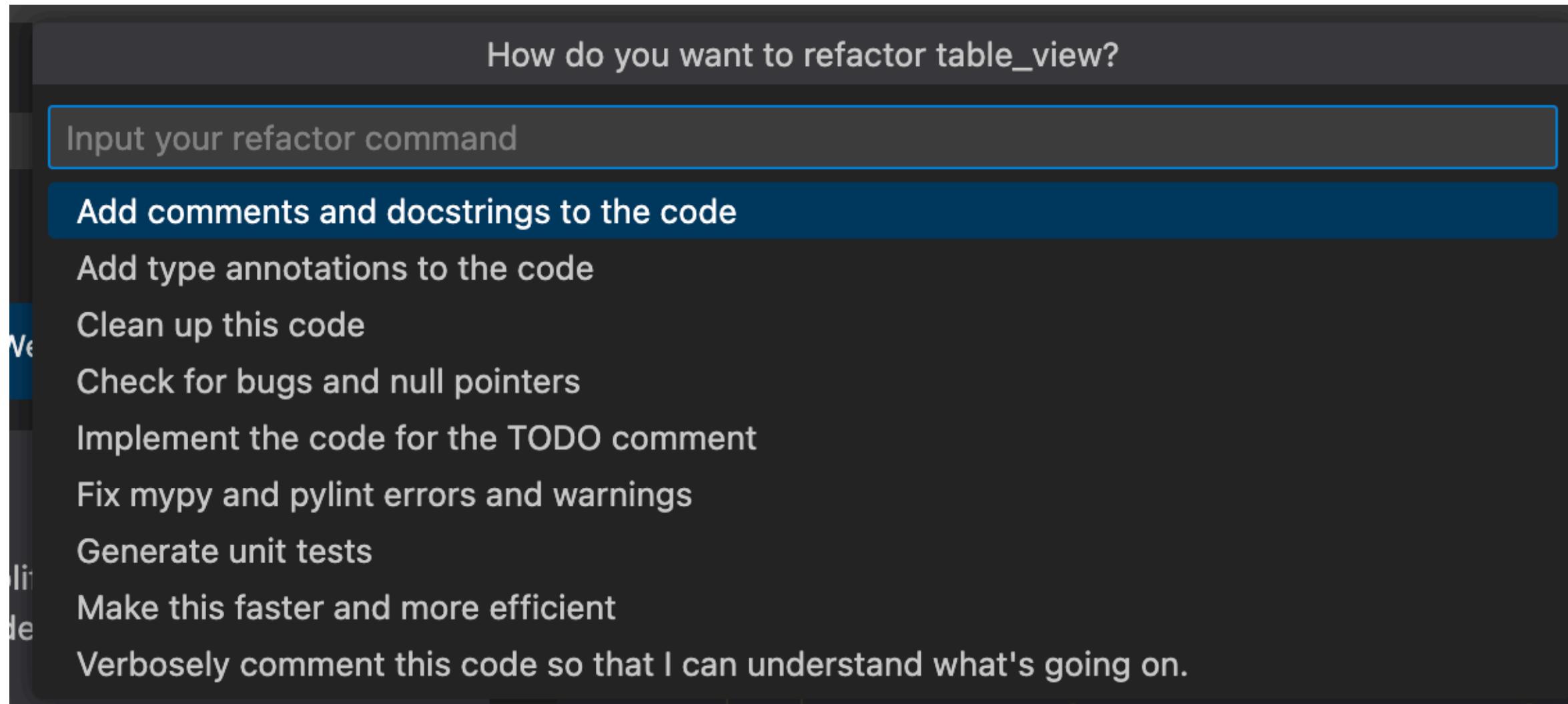
    discount_amount = price * (discount_rate / 100)
    discounted_price = price - discount_amount
    return discounted_price
```

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```
def fn(a,b):
    return a - a*(b/100)
```

Topic 5: New Tools: VScode, Virtual Env, Command Line

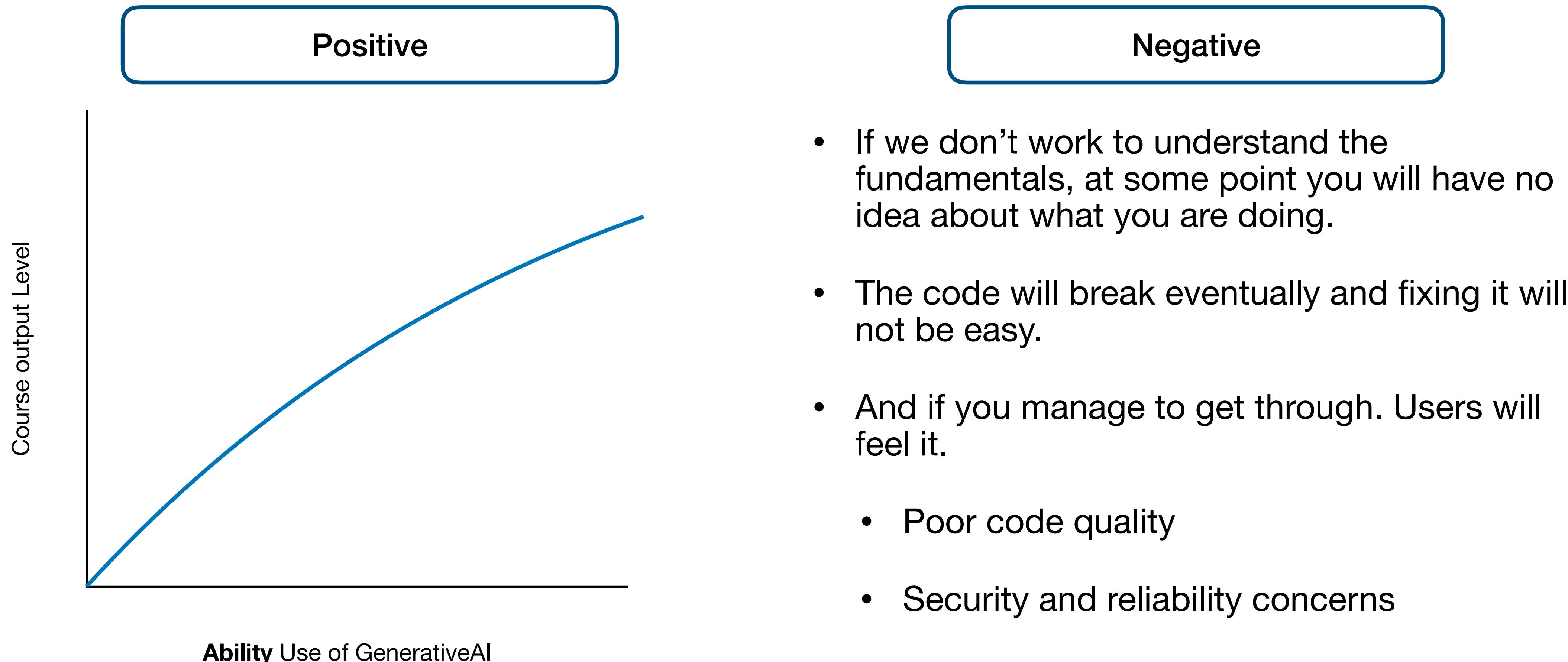
VS code is much more than a text editor



```
# Write a function that computes the nth fibonacci number
Generate tests for the below function
def fib(n):
    if n == 0:
        return 0
    elif n == 1:
        return 1
    else:
        return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)
```

Let's try to make use of some extensions (If time allows): CodiumAI, Codeium

Comment on GenAI (ChatGPT, Copilot...)



Intro to Virtual Environments

- Virtual Environments allow us to load the dependencies (libraries) we need in our project. They are key to:
 - **Avoiding Version Conflicts**
 - Easier Experimentation and Testing
 - Simplified Deployment

```
Bottleneck==1.3.5
contourpy==1.0.5
cycler==0.11.0
fonttools==4.37.3
graphviz==0.20.1
joblib==1.2.0
kiwisolver==1.4.4
matplotlib==3.6.0
packaging==21.3
pandas==1.5.0
Pillow==9.3.0
psutil==5.9.2
pyparsing==3.0.9
python-dateutil==2.8.2
pytz==2022.2.1
scikit-learn==1.1.2
scipy==1.10.1
seaborn==0.12.0
six==1.16.0
threadpoolctl==3.1.0
```

```
Django>=4.0.1,<4.1
djangorestframework>=3.13.1,<3.14
psycopg2>=2.9.3,<2.10
drf-spectacular>=0.22.1,<0.23
Pillow>=9.1.0,<9.2
uwsgi>=2.0.20,<2.1
```

requirements.txt file examples

What do you think will happen here?

```
numpy>=1.15.3
h5py>=2.8.0
statsmodels>=0.9.0
scikit-learn>=0.20.1
tensorflow>=2.1.0
click
matplotlib
seaborn
tqdm
```

- Virtual Environments are crucial to have other people using your code

Let's do it for our course!

- Create a requirements.txt file and store the libraries and their versions there so that we can use them to install the dependencies in our environment

Intro to Command Line

- Direct Interaction with Python Interpreter
- Running Python Scripts
- Installing and Managing Packages with pip
- Creating and Managing Virtual Environments
- Access to System Utilities and Files
- Running Unit Tests
- Version Control with Git
- Scripting and Automation

```
echo "Step 1: creating backup in VM unnoba"
ssh root@guarani-cisa.unnoba.edu.ar "pg_dump -h localhost -p 5432 -U dba -F c -b -v -f 'base.backup' guarani3"

echo "Step 2: Downloading the backup..."
scp root@guarani-cisa.unnoba.edu.ar:~/base.backup .

#Restore backups
echo "Step 3: updating the .pgpass file"
python write_pgpass.py
chmod 600 ~/.pgpass

echo "Step 4: clear database for restore..."
#Run script to update the files
python3 clear_database.py

echo "Step 5: Restoring the database..."
#Restore the database
pg_restore --verbose --clean --no-acl --no-owner -h unnoba-anonimo-database.ctibhhezsjzw.us-east-1.rds.amazonaws.com

echo "Step 6: Running script for the ETL..."
#Run script to update the files
python3 ETL_database.py
```

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Show Examples

Topic 6: Python Scripting I

What is a Python Script?

- Scripts are small programs in Python that allow us to
 - **Automate** repetitive **tasks**.
 - **Integration** with web applications, databases, and even other programming languages.

```
1  """
2  Python script to introduce scripts
3  """
4
5  import pandas as pd
6
7  def main():
8      print('Hello')
9      df = pd.read_csv('somedataset', sep=',')
10     print(df.head())
11
12
13 if __name__ == '__main__':
14     print('First I go here if you run me from the terminal')
15     main()
```

Why scripts better than JN? (Normally)



VS.



- **Reusability:** Reused and integrated into other applications or workflows.
- **Performance:** Faster and more efficient.
- **Version Control:** Scripts are more version-control friendly, making it easier to track changes and collaborate with others.
- **Deployment:** Scripts are more suitable for deployment in production environments.

What do we need to start? The building blocks

- **Docstring:** Explains what we do in the script
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A screenshot of a Python script editor interface. The code is highlighted with colored boxes around specific sections:

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The first three lines (the docstring) are highlighted with a pink box. The `import` statement is highlighted with a green box. The `def main()` block and its contents are highlighted with an orange box. The `if __name__ == '__main__':` block and its contents are highlighted with a blue box.

- **Let's build a Python Script**