Elements Of Data Science - F2022

Introduction to Data Science Tools

9/7/2022

TODOs

- Read Preface of PDSH
- Read Ch 1 of PDSH
- Skim Ch 2 of PDSH: Introduction to NumPy

Complete Weekly Quiz 01

TODAY

• Software tools we'll be using

Our Python Data Science Stack

- Python (3.10): Programming language
- Anaconda: Package maintenance and environments
- Jupyter: IDE
- Git: Source control and versioning

Aside: The Terminal and The Shell

```
bgibson@civet: ~/Downloads
bgibson@civet:~$ pwd
/home/bgibson
bgibson@civet:~$ cd Downloads/
ogibson@civet:~/Downloads$ ls *.txt
ogibson@civet:~/Downloads$ head keras.txt
# This file may be used to create an environment using:
# $ conda create --name <env> --file <this file>
# platform: linux-64
tflow select=2.3.0=mkl
absl-py=0.7.1=py37 0
astor=0.7.1=py37 0
attrs=19.1.0=py37 1
backcall=0.1.0=py37 0
blas=1.0=mkl
bleach=3.1.0=py37 0
bgibson@civet:~/Downloads$
```

- If not familiar, get aquainted
- Common set of commands (Ex. cd, Is, cat, mv)
- OSX and Linux: Terminal + bash/zsh (already installed)
- Windows: install Git Bash (or use WSL)

Aside: Common Shell Commands

- cd : change directory
- pwd: where am i
- **Is**: list directory contents
- head/tail: print the beginning/end of a file
- cat: print entire file
- less: open a file in a pager
- rm: remove file
- which: path to executable
- ...

Links to Tutorials

Data Science Life Skills

- Data munging
- Visualization
- Statistical analysis
- Machine learning
- Reporting
- Prototyping
- Productionizing...

Why Python?

- Robust and active DS stack
- Cross-platform
- Relatively low learning curve
- Fast to answers and prototypes

• Many other good languages and frameworks (R, Julia, etc.)

Why Python?

- But isn't python slow?
- Issues:
 - GIL (Global Interpereter Lock)
 - dynamic typing
- Solutions:
 - numpy + vectorization
 - multiprocessing
 - pypy instead of CPython
 - distributed processing with pyspark?
- Article discussing issues and fixes: "Are your Python programs running slow?..."

The Python DS Stack

- Data munging : pandas, numpy
- Visualization: matplotlib, seaborn, plotly
- Statistical analysis: scipy, statsmodels, patsy
- Machine learning: scikit-learn, tensorflow, pytorch
- Reporting: jupyter+ipython, dash
- **Prototyping**: flask
- Productionizing...

Python 2 vs 3

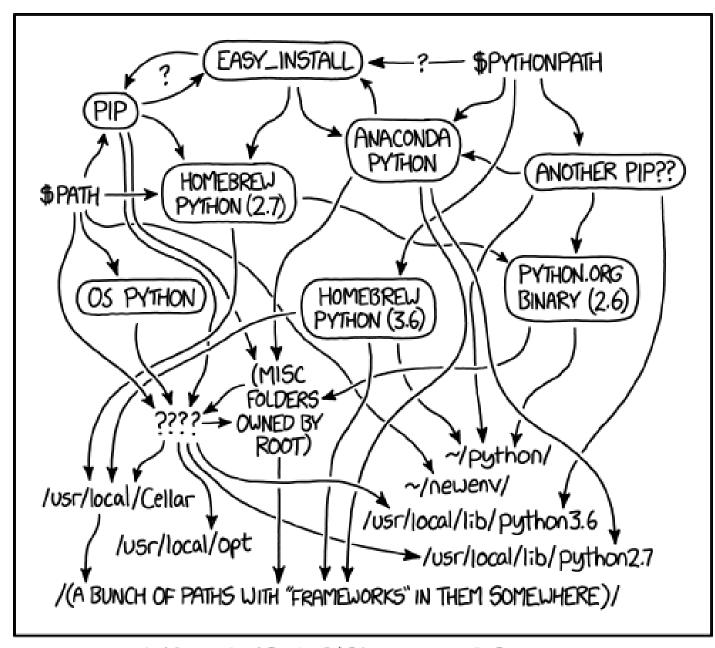
- We'll be using Python 3.10
- Python 2 end of life was Jan 1, 2020

• Need python 2 for another class? Virtual environments!

How To Get Python

- You might already have it
- But your OS needs it!
- Our solution: Anaconda

Why Anaconda?



MY PYTHON ENVIRONMENT HAS BECOME SO DEGRADED THAT MY LAPTOP HAS BEEN DECLARED A SUPERFUND SITE.

Why Anaconda?

- includes most of what we need by default
- package curation
- dependency control
- conda virtual environments
- cross-platform

Installing Anaconda

- Download via https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual
- Select OS and Grab Python 3.9 version
- Install somewhere easy to navigate to
 - /home/bgibson/anaconda3
 - C:\Users\brygib\anaconda3
- Recommend letting installer run conda init to set up your shell
- Note: base environment activated by default
 - To Turn off:

```
conda config --set auto_activate_base false
```

Running Python

- via terminal:
 - python REPL
 - python command line
 - python script
 - ipython REPL
- via jupyter
- via other IDE
- online via Google Colab
- ...

Running Python

- Via REPL (Read–Eval–Print Loop)
 - \$ conda activate
 - (base)\$ python

```
bgibson@civet:~/proj/eods-f20$ conda activate
(base) bgibson@civet:~/proj/eods-f20$ python
Python 3.8.3 (default, Jul 2 2020, 16:21:59)
[GCC 7.3.0] :: Anaconda, Inc. on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> print('hello world')
hello world
>>> quit()
(base) bgibson@civet:~/proj/eods-f20$
```

• quit() or Ctrl-D to exit

Running Python

Via command line

```
(base) bgibson@civet:~$ python -c "print('hello')"
hello

Viascript

(base) bgibson@civet:~$ echo "print('hello')" > /tmp/say_hello.py
(base) bgibson@civet:~$ python /tmp/say_hello.py
hello
```

Ipython: Interactive Python

- history (python does this now as well)
- tab completion (python does this now as well)
- "magic" commands
- help via ? (python has help() as well)
- (see PDSH Ch 1 for more info)

Ipython: REPL and Help

• \$conda activate if (base) not activated

```
(base) bgibson@civet:~/proj/eods-f20$ ipython
Python 3.8.3 (default, Jul 2 2020, 16:21:59)
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IPython 7.16.1 -- An enhanced Interactive Python. Type '?' for help.

In [1]: print('hello')
hello

In [2]: len?
Signature: len(obj, /)
Docstring: Return the number of items in a container.
Type: builtin_function_or_method

In [3]:
```

```
In [1]: !echo 'print("hello from ipython")' > /tmp/say_hello.py
```

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In [1]: !echo 'print("hello from ipython")' > /tmp/say_hello.py
In [2]: %run /tmp/say_hello.py
hello from ipython
```

Help with Magic Commands

• get information about the %timeit magic function

%timeit?

• get info on all magic functions

%magic

• get list of magic functions

%lsmagic

Ipython Notebooks with Jupyter

- Jupyter: application that combines code, markup and visualizations
- interact via web browser
- notebooks are easily sharable
- Jupyter can run other kernels as well: R, Julia, C#, etc.
- To launch via command line:

```
(base) bgibson@civet:~$ cd ~/proj
(base) bgibson@civet:~/proj$ jupyter notebook
```

- launches dashboard in your default browser
- Ctrl-C to kill server

Other IDEs

- jupyterlab
- spyder
- pycharm
- visual studio code ...

Arguments for Notebooks

- fast to iterate
- easy to test new ideas
- wide adoption

Arguments against notebooks

- out of order execution
- messy code
- issues with version control
- slides by Joel Grus

How to deal with version issues? Virtual Environments

- encapsulate python executable and packages
- allow for easy experimentation
- workaround versioning issues
- two major implementations: virtualenv and conda (we'll be using conda)

Virtual Environments with Conda

Example for creating a new environment called py2 with python=2.7:

```
(base) bgibson@civet:~$ conda create -n py2 python=2.7
. . .
(base) bgibson@civet:~$ conda activate py2
(py2) bgibson@civet:~$ which python
/home/bgibson/anaconda3/envs/py2/bin/python
(py2) bgibson@civet:~$ python --version
Python 2.7.18 :: Anaconda, Inc.
(py2) bgibson@civet:~$ conda deactivate
(base) bgibson@civet:~$ which python
/home/bgibson/anaconda3/bin/python
(base) bgibson@civet:~$ python --version
Python 3.9.2
```

Managing Conda Environments

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• when you can, double check the path to your env

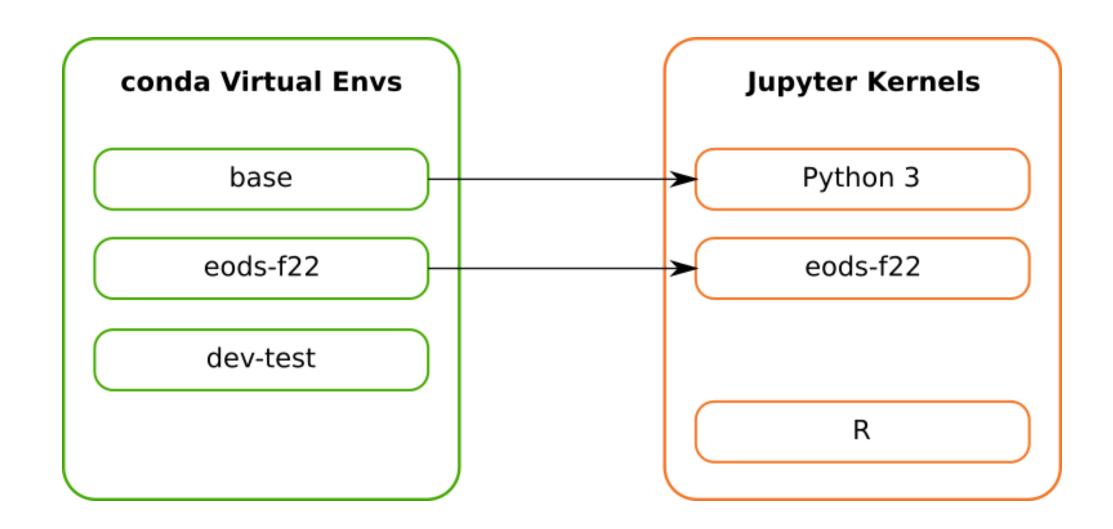
Conda Channels: default vs conda-forge

- channels: locations where packages are stored
 - default: Anaconda terms specify only used in non-commercial application
 - conda-forge: where all of the good stuff is anyway

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Conda Virtual Envs and Jupyter Kernels

- jupyter can run many different kernels
- conda envs not automatically added as available kernels



Controlling Jupyter Kernels

• to install a new kernel in jupyter:

```
(base) $ conda activate py2
(py2) $ conda install -c conda-forge ipykernel
(py2) $ python -m ipykernel install --user --name py2
```

• to list kernels: jupyter kernelspec list

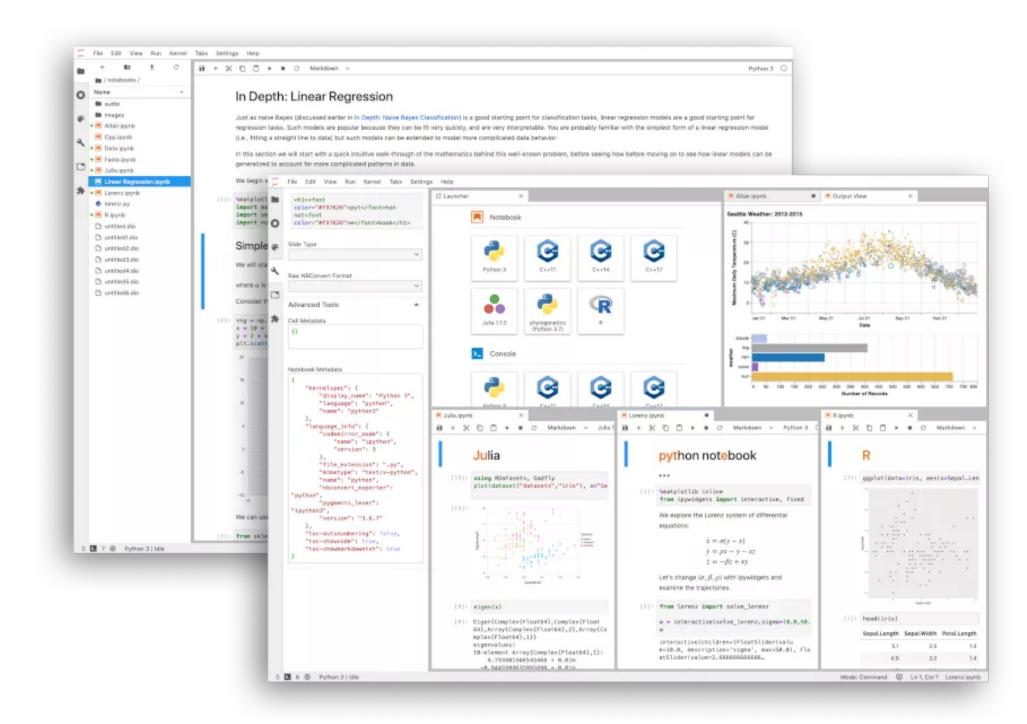
• to remove kernel: jupyter kernelspec uninstall [name]

Jupyter Demo

- Important: h for help
- Markdown syntax help: https://daringfireball.net/projects/markdown/syntax

Jupyter Classic vs JupyterLab

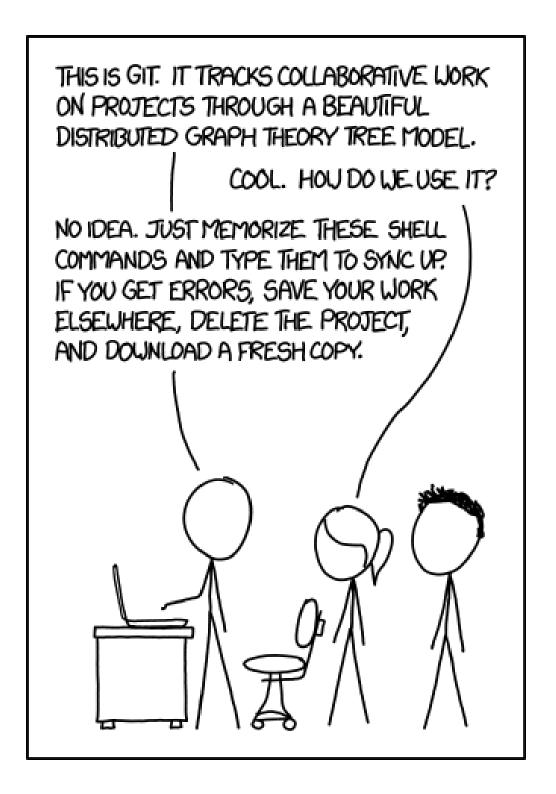
- start as either jupyter notebook or jupyter lab
- or replace http://localhost:8888/tree with http://localhost:8888/lab



Example Notebooks

Gallery of interesting Jupyter Notebooks

Git and Github



Git

- distributed version control
- for code, documentation, small data
- can be used locally or with remote collaborators

Github

- backup
- sharing
- used for both large and small projects
 - Ex: https://github.com/scikit-learn/scikit-learn/

Getting course material

- Can view online at: https://github.com/bryanrgibson/eods-f22
- You'll also want to clone locally:

```
$ cd [your projects folder]
$ git clone https://github.com/bryanrgibson/eods-f22
```

Demo Week 1 Quiz

https://github.com/bryanrgibson/eods-f22/blob/main/weekly_quiz/Week_01_Quiz.md

Questions?

• Next time: Python review, numpy and pandas