

A Thin Veneer over the Interpreter

Notebooks become messy!

[1]: `a = 10`

[2]: `a += 1`
a

[2]: 11

[1]: `a = 10`

[3]: `a += 1`
a

[3]: 12

[1]: `a = 10`

[3]: `a = 20`
[2]: `a += 1`
a

[4]: `a += 3`
a

[4]: 23

All cells share a global state

Cells have side effects

Cells can go out of order

Prior Results of Jupyter in General Data Analysis

- “Exploratory” [Kery and Myers 2017]
- “Throw-away” [Kandel et al. 2012]
- “Messy” [Kery et al. 2018, Rule et al. 2018]
- Too much effort to clean up the mess [Rule et al. 2018]

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