Pre-class Installation Requirements for Intro to Python and Webscraping

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Outline

Introduction

How to Share Ipython Notebooks

How to share your vagrant box

How to use virtualenv & pip

Virtualenv allow you to create environments.

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## run this on the command line
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  ## assuming you are in your projects folder, create a new folder
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  mkdir projects1
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   cd projects1
  ## now create your virtualenv environment
  ## this will create a folder called "env".
  ## this will house a local version of python.
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   virtualeny env
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  ## IMPORTANT.
  ## Now you need to activate your environment.
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  source env/bin/activate
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  ## now you will be using a local version of python instead of your
  ## system's python
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  ## to deactivate, simply type
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  deactivate
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How to use virtualenv * pip

Now once virtualenv is installed, you can start installing modules locally. The program to do this is called pip. New versions of python may come with it already installed, but older version may require manual installation.

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## again, these should be run on the command line.
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  ## first , let's activate your virtual environment , if you haven't
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  ## already
  source env/bin/activate
  ## first , let's inspect what command are available in pip
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   pip help
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  ## from this, we see that there are a number of commands we will
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  ## find useful
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   pip list # this shows what programs are already installed
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   pip search numpy # this searches for packages named "numpy"
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   pip install numpy # this installs the numpy package.
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  ## if you have many packages you want to install, you can
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  ## create a requirements list
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24 ## this will create a file with a list of modules to install
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