



Pooch

A friend to fetch your data files

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A little bit about me



- Physicist & PhD Geophysics from Argentina
- Postdoc at UBC
- Develop and maintain:





This is my first SciPy, and it's awesome!



- Download and cache data files from the web
- Check integrity of the files
- Easy to use and extend

Different use cases

- Researcher, data scientist, teacher
 - Easily download files from the web (e.g. HTTP, FTP)
 - Reproducible workflows
 - Provide files to students
- Package maintainer
 - Sample datasets for tutorials and examples



Download a file using Pooch

Download sea floor age dataset:



EarthByte website

Download files from DOI

Supported platforms:







Download files from DOI

Land and ocean temperature record:



doi: 10.5281/zenodo.3634713

Fetching multiple files

Handling multiple files with pooch.retrieve can be cumbersome:

```
import pooch
fname 1 = pooch.retrieve(
    path="custom dir",
    url="https://mysite.com/file1.txt",
    known hash="md5:70e2afd3fd7e336ae478b1e740a5f08e",
fname 2 = pooch.retrieve(
    path="custom dir",
    url="https://mysite.com/file2.nc",
    known hash="md5:fdaea5f08e478b1e770e7e3362afd340",
```

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```
Let's use the pooch. Pooch class instead!
```

More features

Download archives and unpack them with processors.

```
fnames = pooch.retrieve(
    url="https://mysite.com/zipped file.zip",
    known hash="sha1:35b7b51433f65b71edfe943c381a8ba6739b88ea",
    processor=pooch.Unzip(),
fnames
['~/.cache/pooch/70e2ade478b1efd3f740a7e336a5f08e-zipped_file.zip.unzip/file_1.txt',
'~/.cache/pooch/70e2ade478b1efd3f740a7e336a5f08e-zipped_file.zip.unzip/file_2.nc',
 '~/.cache/pooch/70e2ade478b1efd3f740a7e336a5f08e-zipped_file.zip.unzip/file_3.csv']
```

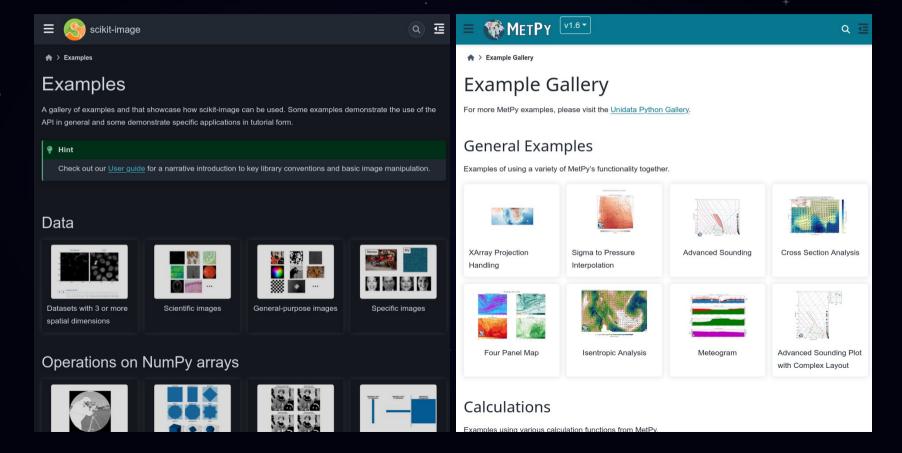
More features

Define your custom **downloader** callable.

```
def my downloader(url, output file, pooch):
    """Define downloader for another service/protocol.
fname = pooch.retrieve(
   url="foo://my.website.com/file.nc",
    known hash="md5:70478b1336a5f0efde2ade3f740a7e8e",
   downloader=my downloader,
```



Examples and tutorials



Examples and tutorials

- They often need sample datasets
- Need to distribute the datasets to users

Packaging them with the code.

Provide **utilities** for *fetching* them when needed.

Fetching sample datasets

Sample repository with datasets:



github.com/santisoler/ice-sheets

A little bit about Pooch





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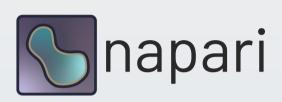


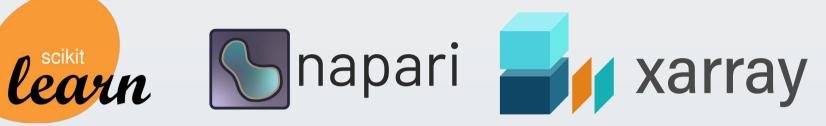


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Who uses Pooch?

















Future roadmap

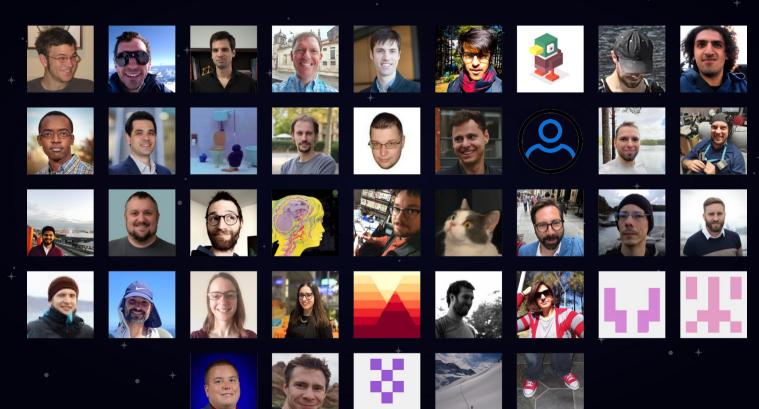
Towards Pooch 2.0

- Use standard file format for the registry (e.g. JSON).
- Have a single registry: include **urls** and **hashes**.
- Improve the **logging**:
 - Make it more flexible and configurable.
- Implement a **plugin system**:
 - The community can develop and share their own downloaders for other services.

Check Pooch docs fatiando.org/pooch



Contributors



Thank you!

Slides:









github.com/santisoler/scipy2024-pooch



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