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CPAN: PROCH



conda install my-module

How did I get here?

- I'm not a computer scientist (I'm a molecular biologist by training)
- I learned Perl v in 2004, when it was the most popular scripting language among bioinformaticians

 Slides and example code on GitHub https://github.com/telatin/TPC2020

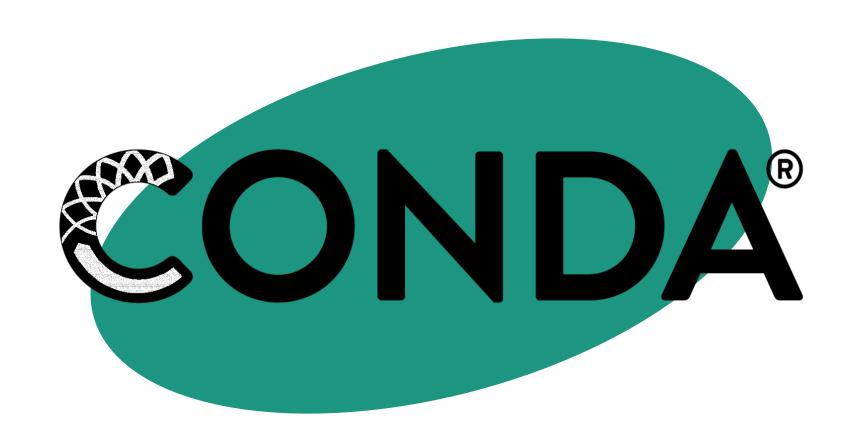
The problem

- For **BIOINFORMATICIANS**:
 - Our analyses rely on a vast number of software tools
 - Sometimes incompatible versions of tools / modules etc.

- For Perl programs:
 - Non developers would struggle installing modules (and cpanm...)



The solution



https://anaconda.org

• PACKAGE MANAGER:

- Will install packages and their dependencies picking the right versions
- conda install package-name

• ENVIRONMENT MANAGER:

- Allows to use different versions of modules/ tools in isolated "environments"
- conda create -n environment_1
- conda activate environment_1

Conda "channels"

CONDA CHANNELS

- Conda channels are the locations where packages are stored
- Any user signing up can create their own channel
- e.g. conda install -c conda-forge htop=2.2.0
- The BioConda channel https://bioconda.github.io/
 - >7.000 packages (of which >700 Perl modules and several Perl programs)
 - e.g. conda install -c bioconda perl-capture-tiny

Yes, it's Capture::Tiny
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The "recipe"

INGREDIENTS

- meta.yaml Metadata (package name, URL, dependencies)
- build.sh Compilation / installation script (not needed for Python)
- test.sh Optional test script (basic tests can be added in meta.yaml)
- All inside a `package-name` directory

• Fork `bioconda-recipes`, add the new recipe and make a PR

```
{% set name = "perl-module-name" %}
{% set version = "0.01" %}
{% set sha256 = "de31386013dc32f46f4c00d19230eeecca0c33ed1f1b13403a08e087a0278a05" %}
package:
 name: {{ name }}
 version: {{ version }}
source:
  url: https://cpan.metacpan.org/authors/id/N/NI/NICKNAME/Module-Name-{{ version }}.tar.gz
  sha256: {{ sha256 }}
build:
 noarch: generic
 number: 0
requirements:
  host:
    - perl
    - perl-module-build
    - perl-test-more
  run:
    - perl
test:
  imports:
    - Module::Name
```

meta.yaml example

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 When you release a new version of the module on CPAN, the BioConda Bot will automatically fetch it and make it available

build.sh template

#!/bin/bash

```
# If it has Build.PL use that, otherwise use Makefile.PL
if [ -f Build.PL ]; then
    perl Build.PL
    perl ./Build
    perl ./Build test
    # Make sure this goes in site
    perl ./Build install --installdirs site
elif [ -f Makefile.PL ]; then
    # Make sure this goes in site
    perl Makefile.PL INSTALLDIRS=site
   make
   make test
   make install
else
    echo 'Unable to find Build.PL or Makefile.PL. You need to modify build.sh.'
    exit 1
fi
```

We can finally have Python serving the **Perl community**;)

