



# **How to make your Python Jupyter Notebook Standalone and Reproducible to allow others to replicate your experiments**

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# Jupyter Notebooks



An Open Source web application to create documents that contain live code, equations, visualizations and narrative text

- Support for over 40 programming languages
- Share interactive code
- Rich, interactive output: HTML, images, videos, etc
- Leverage Big Data tools

**What problems are we trying to solve?**

```
pip install opencv-python
```

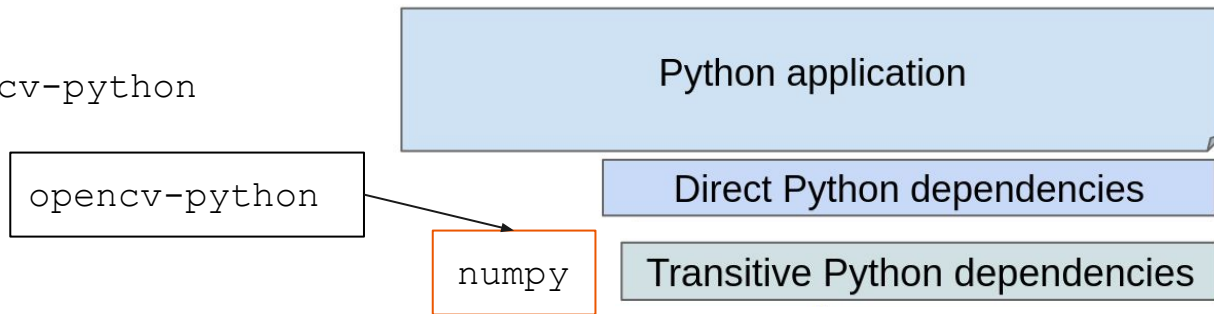
```
pip install opencv-python
```

```
opencv-python
```

Python application

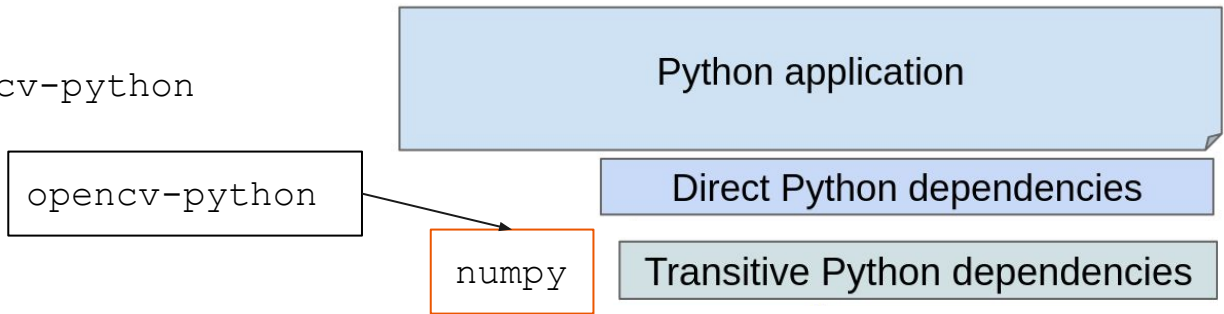
Direct Python dependencies

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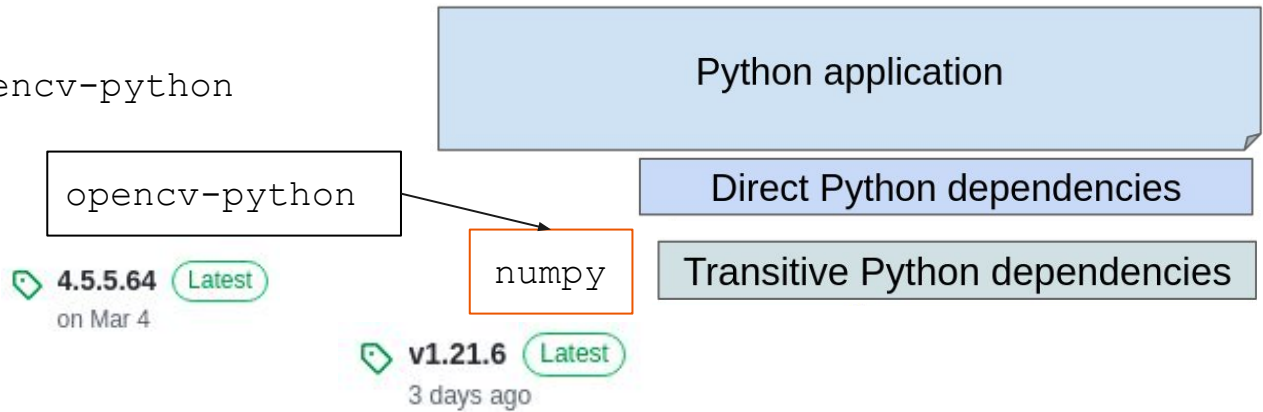


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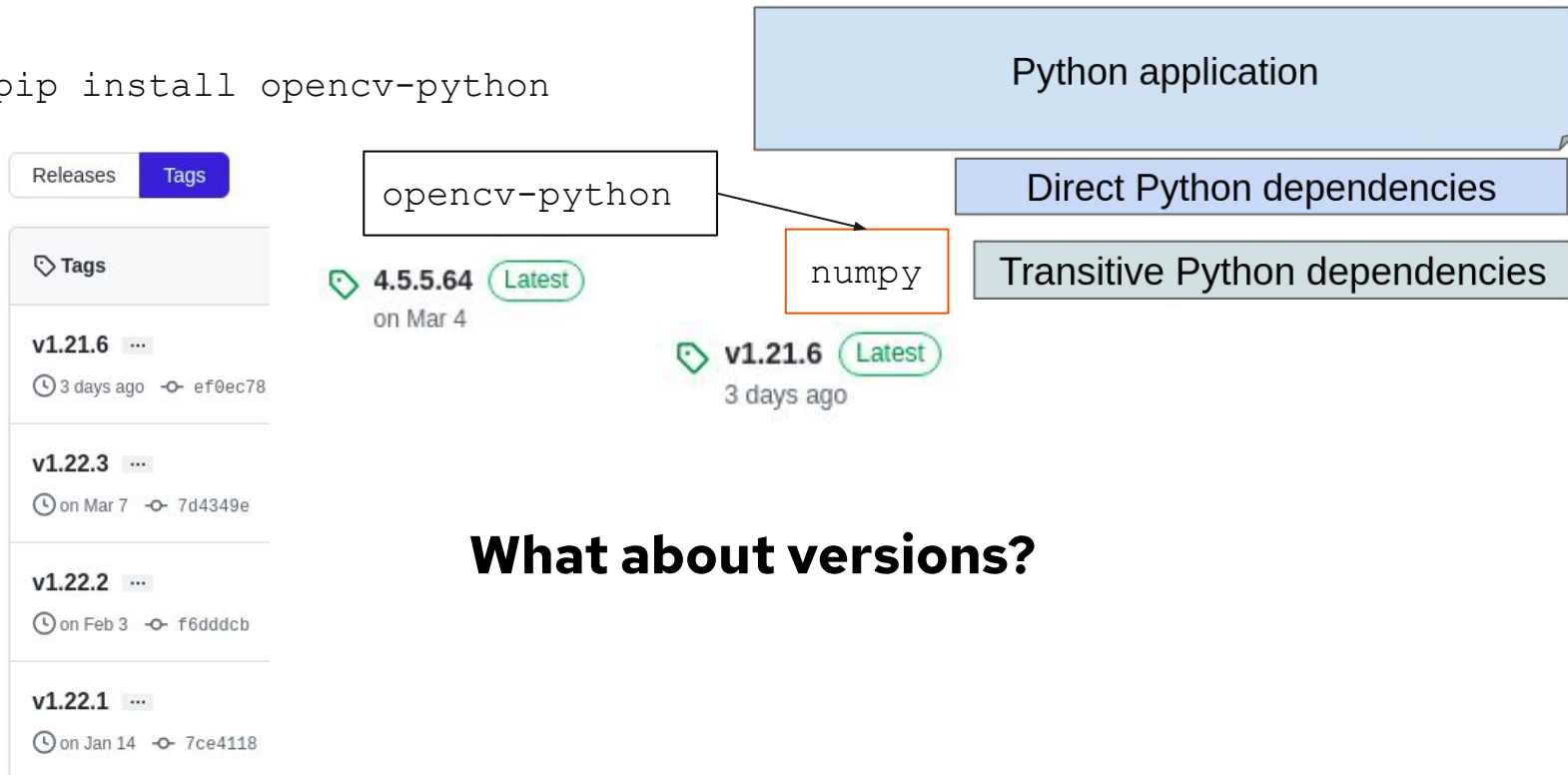
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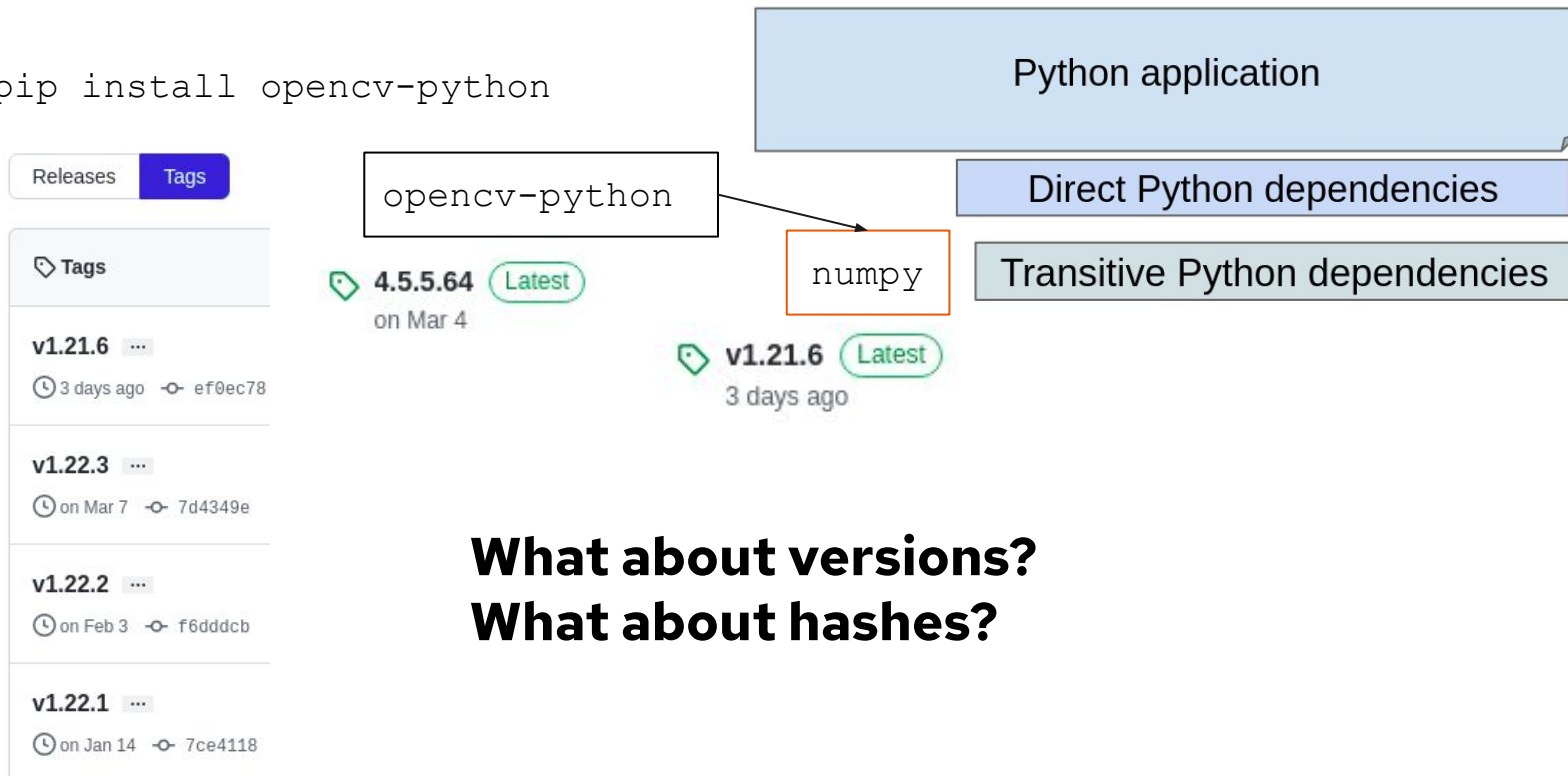
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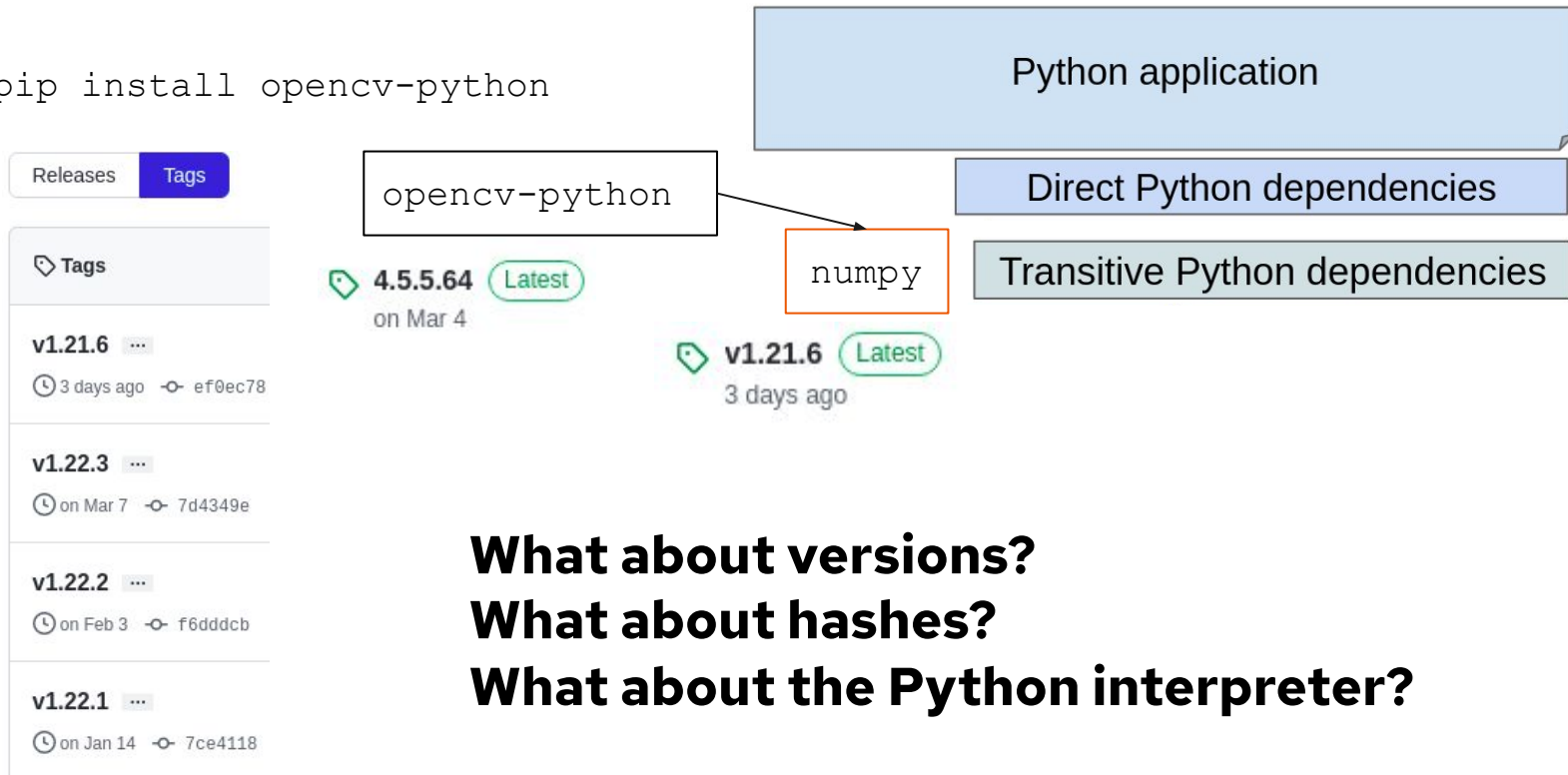
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**What about versions?**  
**What about hashes?**

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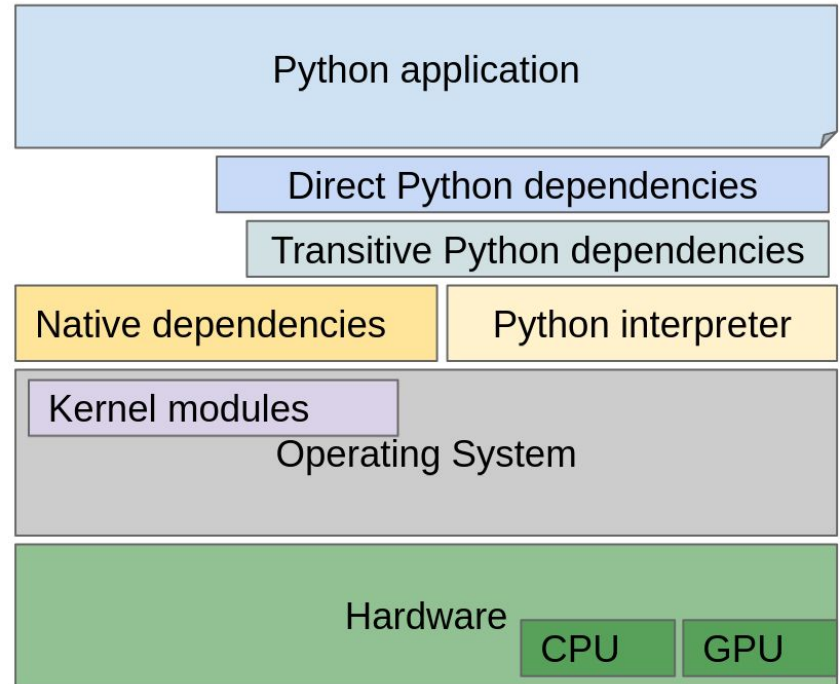


**What about versions?**

**What about hashes?**

**What about the Python interpreter?**

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Install dependencies

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In [2]: ! pip install tensorflow  
! pip install boto3  
! pip install matplotlib
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**This does not guarantee any reproducibility!**



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1  voila
2  folium
3  numpy
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**Having a requirements.txt with no versions stated does not guarantee to have a reproducible notebook!**

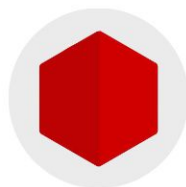
Jupyter Notebooks are by default **NOT** standalone

It is not uncommon that **no manifest files are provided** and hence notebook users must **find out dependencies themselves**



### Managing dependencies

Requirements are **decoupled** from a notebook into manifest file such as requirements.txt or Pipfile.lock



### Containerization

A specialized tool or a **custom Dockerfile** is needed so that all notebook requirements are present in the resulting image



### Sharing

The consumer must first **set up manually an environment** using provided manifest files

# Difficulties for both authors and consumers

## Authors have to...

Create an environment

Install dependencies in the environment

Create/update custom kernel [optional]

Create/update manifest files [optional]

## Consumers have to...

Create an environment

Install dependencies in the environment

Create/update custom kernel [optional]



**Reproducibility**

**How can Thoth help you manage dependencies in your Jupyter Notebook?**

# Project Thoth



[thoth-station.ninja](https://thoth-station.ninja)



[@ThothStation](https://twitter.com/ThothStation)



[github.com/thoth-station](https://github.com/thoth-station)

**Help Python developers and Data Scientists create healthy applications**

Solving Python dependencies using Machine Learning in the cloud

Team of 10 engineers, ~50 contributors

Open Source project, contributions are welcome!



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An interactive, extensible web interface for Project Jupyter

# Thoth's extension for JupyterLab : `jupyterlab-requirements`

Manage your dependencies and store everything in the **Jupyter**

## **Notebook metadata:**

- Manage a notebook requirements without leaving it
- Provide a **unique** and **optimized** environment for each notebook
- Solve dependencies with **Thoth's resolution engine**



MyProject.ipynb

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Manage Dependencies ...

Python 3 (ipykernel) ⌵

```
[ ]: import tensorflow  
import numpy
```

MyProject.ipynb

Manage Dependencies ... Python 3 (ipykernel)

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## Manage Dependencies











No dependencies found! Click New to add package.

Cancel

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## Manage Dependencies

PACKAGE	CONSTRAINT	INSTALLED	ACTIONS
tensorflow	==2.2.0		  
numpy	>=1.0.0		  



Cancel

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## Manage Dependencies

Dependencies found in notebook metadata but lock file is missing.

### OPTIONS

Resolution Engine:

Thoth

Kernel name:

jupyterlab-requirements

Path root project:

/home/username/Documents/MyProject

Thoth Recommendation type:

latest

Thoth force:

False

Thoth debug:

Cancel

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[ ]: import tensorflow  
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## Manage Dependencies

Thoth force:

False

Thoth debug:

True

Thoth Python Version:

3.8

Thoth Operating System name:

rhel

Thoth Operating System version:

8

Thoth timeout [s]:

180

Labels:

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Manage Dependencies ...

Python 3 (ipykernel)

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## Manage Dependencies

PACKAGE	CONSTRAINT	INSTALLED	ACTIONS		
tensorflow	==2.2.0	✗	+	✎	🗑
numpy	>=1.0.0	✗	+	✎	🗑

Contacting thoth for advise... please be patient!

Cancel









MyProject.ipynb


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tensorflow	==2.2.0	✗	  
numpy	>=1.0.0	✗	  

Requirements locked and saved!  
Installing new requirements...

 [thoth-station/micropipenv](https://github.com/thoth-station/micropipenv)

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import numpy
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## Manage Dependencies

PACKAGE	CONSTRAINT	INSTALLED	ACTIONS
tensorflow	==2.2.0	✓	  
numpy	>=1.0.0	✓	  

Ok

Requirements locked and saved!  
Requirements installed!  
New kernel created!  
Click ok to start working on your notebook.

Cancel

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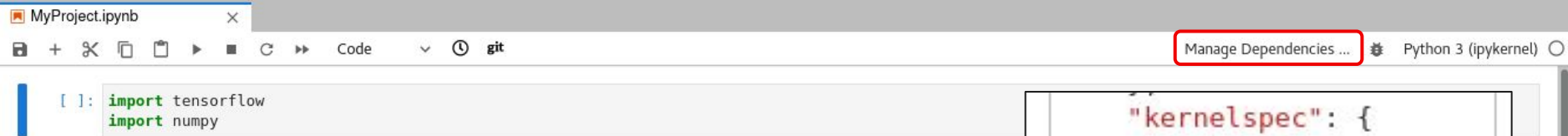
Everything installed and ready to use!

Cancel



dependencies are locked in the notebook metadata

```
Notebook Metadata  
{  
  "language_info": {  
    "name": "python",  
    "version":  
    "3.8.8",  
    "mimetype":  
    "text/x-python",  
    "codemirror_mode": {  
      "name":  
      "ipython",  
      "version": 3  
    },  
    "pygments_lexer":  
    "ipython3",  
    "nbconvert_exporter":  
    "python",  
    "file_extension":  
    ".py"  
  },  
  "kernelspec": {  
    "name":  
    "jupyterlab-  
requirements",  
    "display_name":  
    "Python (jupyterlab-  
requirements)",  
    "language":  
    "python"  
  },  
  "requirements":  
  "{\n    \"dev-packages\": {},  
    \"packages\": {\n      \"numpy\": \">=1.0.0\",  
      \"tensorflow\": \"==2.2.0\",  
      \"requires\": {\n        \"python_version\": {\n          \"python_version\": \"3.8\",  
          \"source\": {\n            \"name\": \"pypi\",  
            \"url\": \"https://pypi.org/simple\",  
            \"verify_ssl\": true,  
            \"name\"
```



dependencies are locked in the notebook metadata

```
"kernel_spec": {
  "name":
"jupyterlab-
requirements",
  "display_name":
"Python (jupyterlab-
requirements)",
  "language":
"python"
},
"requirements":
"{\"dev-packages\":{},
\\\"packages\\\":{\\\"numpy
\\\":\\\">=1.0.0
\\\",\\\"tensorflow
\\\":\\\"==2.2.0
\\\"},\\\"requires
\\\":{\\\"python_version
\\\":\\\"3.8\\\"},\\\"source
```

# %horus magic commands

Speed up development by managing dependencies **directly in notebook cells**

```
[2]: %horus lock --help

usage: ipykernel_launcher.py lock [-h] [--force] [--debug]
                                   [--kernel-name KERNEL_NAME]
                                   [--recommendation-type [{latest,stable,performance,security}]]
                                   [--timeout TIMEOUT] [--os-name OS_NAME]
                                   [--os-version OS_VERSION]
                                   [--python-version PYTHON_VERSION] [--pipenv]

Lock requirements in notebook metadata [default Thoth].

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --force               Force request to Thoth.
  --debug               Debug/Verbose request to Thoth. WARNING: It has impact
                        on the quality of the resolution process.
  --kernel-name KERNEL_NAME
                        Specify kernel name to be used when creating it.
  --recommendation-type [{latest,stable,performance,security}]
                        Specify recommendation type for thoth advise.
  --timeout TIMEOUT     Set timeout for Thoth request.
  --os-name OS_NAME     Use OS name for request to Thoth.
  --os-version OS_VERSION
                        Use OS version for request to Thoth.
  --python-version PYTHON_VERSION
                        Use Python version for request to Thoth.
  --pipenv              Use pipenv resolution engine.
```

## **%horus magic commands**

`%horus check`: Check notebook metadata about dependencies

`%horus convert`: Convert pip commands to horus commands to allow reproducibility

`%horus discover`: Discover dependencies and create Pipfile

`%horus requirements --add`: Add requirements to Pipfile

...

# %horus magic commands

%horus check: Check notebook metadata about dependencies

```
[3]: %horus check
```

*Horus check results*

Key	Message	Type
notebook_name	MyProject	✓ INFO
programming_language	python	✓ INFO
kernel_name	jupyterlab-requirements	✓ INFO
dependency_resolution_engine	thoth	✓ INFO
thoth_config	key is present in notebook metadata.	✓ INFO
thoth_analysis_id	adviser-220423150953-86495741506e2d8d	✓ INFO
requirements	key is present in notebook metadata.	✓ INFO
requirements_lock	key is present in notebook metadata.	✓ INFO
requirements_hash_match	Pipfile hash stated in Pipfile.lock 94fa5a correspond to Pipfile hash 94fa5a.	✓ INFO
kernel_check	kernel jupyterlab-requirements does not match your dependencies. Please run command %horus set-kernel to create kernel for your notebook.	⚠ WARNING

## Install and run jupyterlab-requirements

```
pip install jupyterlab-requirements
```

```
jupyter lab
```



**What about containerized  
notebooks?**

# Customize your Jupyter Notebook container images

- **Source-to-Image (S2I)**: provides **ready-to-run images** by **injecting source code** directly into a container image
- Thoth S2I produces recommendations **targeting your specific hardware configuration** to run your application inside the cluster
- **S2I** (Source-to-Image) **Minimal Notebook builder**

**How does Thoth work?**

# Thoth's resolver

***"Recommend the greatest, not the latest"***

# Thoth's resolver

- **Recommendation types:**
  - latest
  - security
  - performance
  - stable
  - testing
- Uses **Reinforcement Learning** to recommend dependencies
- **Runs in the cloud**

Requirements

Constraints

Information about software in runtime environment

- OS, Python version, base image, CUDA, ...

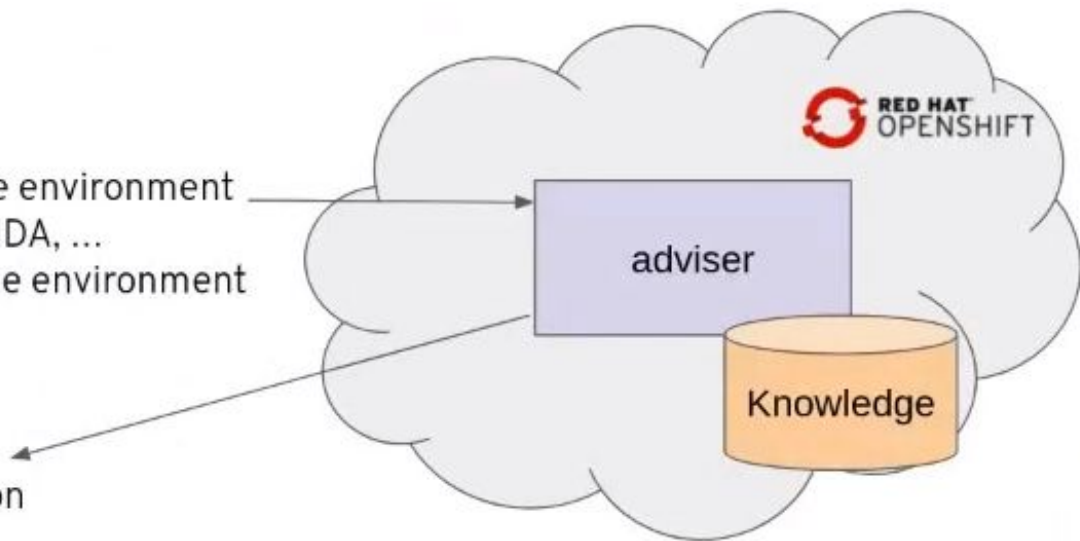
Information about hardware in runtime environment

- CPU, GPU, ...

Static source-code analysis

Recommendation type

Lockfile + justification



# What we observe in our knowledge graph

- **Application Stack**


- Buildtime and runtime environment
- Dependencies
- Performances

- **Software Packages**

- Application Binary Interfaces (ABI)
- Security: CVE, analyzers...

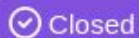
- **Source code meta information**

# Heal your application with prescriptions

- Declaratively state how the resolution process should look like
- YAML files automatically consumed by the resolver
- Contribute!  [thoth-station/prescriptions](https://github.com/thoth-station/prescriptions)



# Pillow 8.3 and NumPy #5571



Closed

**doublex** opened this issue on Jul 1, 2021 · 13 comments · Fixed by [#5572](#)



**doublex** commented on Jul 1, 2021 • edited by radarhere ▾



Throws exception with Pillow 8.3: `TypeError: __array__() takes 1 positional argument but 2 were given`

```
with PIL.Image.open(filepath) as img:  
    numpy.array( img, dtype=numpy.float32 )
```



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```
1  units:
2    steps:
3      - name: Pillow830TypeErrorStep
4        type: step.Group
5        should_include:
6          adviser_pipeline: true
7        match:
8          group:
9            - package_version:
10              name: pillow
11              version: ==8.3.0
12              index_url: https://pypi.org/simple
13            - package_version:
14              name: numpy
15        run:
16          not_acceptable: Pillow in version 8.3.0 does not work with NumPy
17          stack_info:
18            - type: WARNING
19              message: Pillow in version 8.3.0 does not work with NumPy
20              link: https://github.com/python-pillow/Pillow/issues/5571
```

# Aggregating knowledge about packages

Evaluate **dependencies reliability**:

- Package popularity
- Information about maintainers
- CVE, Security Scorecards
- Releases frequency
- Artifacts size
- ...

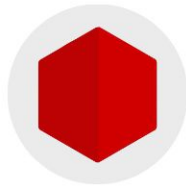
# Conclusions

# Notable improvements...



## Managing dependencies

Requirements are **locked** and **embedded** directly into the notebook. No additional files are needed



## Containerization

Jupyter Notebooks with embedded dependencies can be built directly using **Jupyter Notebook S2I** **without any additional files**



## Sharing

Jupyter Notebooks can be shared as **stand-alone units** without any additional files. Environment is prepared in a **few clicks**

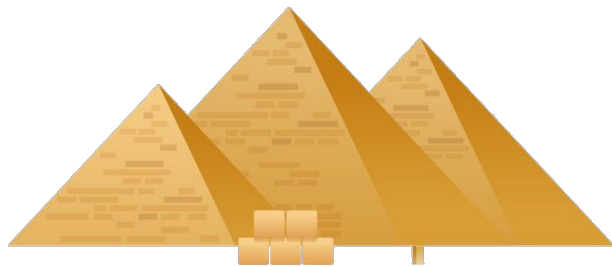
# **...With the focus on reproducibility**



## **Resolved Jupyter Notebook dependencies**

When the notebook is distributed, unless specified otherwise, the very same versions are used which guarantees compatibility and reliable results

# Thank you!



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