



# DS-210: Programming for Data Science

## Lecture 13: Documentation generation in Python. Version control.





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- **Users:** how to use your software
- **Developers:** how to extend it and maintain it





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# Various types

- Code commenting
- Reference
- Tutorial
- Quick HOWTO's
- ...



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- Can be used for tagging parts of the code (TODO or FIXME)

```
In [ ]: def return_one(x):  
    # FIXME: properly handle the corner case of x = 0  
    return x/x
```





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Popular in many languages:

- easy to add even if officially not supported





## Simplest tool: **pydoc**

- Should be included in your Python installation
- Go to the command line and just type: `pydoc WHATEVER-YOU-ARE-INTERESTED-IN`
- Example: `pydoc matplotlib.pyplot.scatter` or `pydoc numpy.array`



```
[user@jupyter-notebook ~]$ pydoc numpy.array
```

Help on built-in function array in numpy:

```
numpy.array = array(...)
array(object, dtype=None, *, copy=True, order='K', subok=False, ndmin=0,
      like=None)
```

Create an array.

Parameters

-----

**object** : array\_like

An array, any object exposing the array interface, an object whose `__array__` method returns an array, or any (nested) sequence.

**dtype** : data-type, optional

The desired data-type for the array. If not given, then the type will be determined as the minimum type required to hold the objects in the sequence.

**copy** : bool, optional

If true (default), then the object is copied. Otherwise, a copy will only be made if `__array__` returns a copy, if obj is a nested sequence, or if a copy is needed to satisfy any of the other requirements (``dtype``, ``order``, etc.).

**order** : {'K', 'A', 'C', 'F'}, optional

Specify the memory layout of the array. If object is not an array, the newly created array will be in C order (row major) unless 'F' is specified, in which case it will be in Fortran order (column major). If object is an array the following holds.

```
=====
order  no copy          copy=True
=====
'K'    unchanged F & C order preserved, otherwise most similar order
'A'    unchanged F order if input is F and not C, otherwise C order
'C'    C order      C order
'F'    F order      F order
=====
```

When ```copy=False``` and a copy is made for other reasons, the result is the same as if ```copy=True```, with some exceptions for 'A', see the Notes section. The default order is 'K'.

**subok** : bool, optional

:



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[Demo in the terminal]



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1 directory, 5 files

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```
[user@jupyter-notebook example]$ cat examples.py
```

```
import varia.multiply as mult
from varia.add import double
```

```
import varia.emotions as emo
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
```

```
    x = 7
    y = 9
    print(x,"times",y,"is",mult.multiply(x,y))
    print('doubled',x,'is',double(x))
```

```
    print('=====')
```

```
    s = 'angry Bob'
    t = 'surprised Alice'
```

```
    print(s,'and',t)
```

```
    s = emo.make_sad(s)
    t = emo.make_happy(t)
```

```
    print(s,'and',t)
```

```
[user@jupyter-notebook example]$ python examples.py
```

```
7 times 9 is 63
```

```
doubled 7 is 14
```

```
=====
```

```
angry Bob and surprised Alice
```

```
sad Bob and happy Alice
```

```
[user@jupyter-notebook example]$ █
```



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[user@jupyter-notebook example]$ cd varia/
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    """Multiply two numbers.

    Parameters
    -----
    x: number
        the first number to be multiplied
    y: number
        the second number to be multiplied

    Returns
    -----
    number
        the product of the numbers

    .. danger::
        Multiplying by zero is irreversible.
    """
    return x * y
```

```
def square(x):
    """Compute a square of a number.

    Parameters
    -----
    x: number
        the number to be squared

    Returns
    -----
    number
        the square of `x` (i.e.,  $x^2$ )
    """
    return x * x
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    -----
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    Returns
    -----
    number
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    """
    return square(x) * x
```

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```
"""Package with functions for operating on emotions in strings.
```

```
Not very useful and doesn't handle that many real-world cases.
```

```
"""
```

```
# note that __EMOTIONS__ and _set_emotions do not make it to the library  
__EMOTIONS__ = ['happy', 'sad', 'angry', 'surprised']
```

```
def remove_emotions(description):
```

```
    """Remove prefixes corresponding to emotions.
```

```
    Args:
```

```
        description (str): The string to be processed
```

```
    Returns:
```

```
        str: The input string without prefixes corresponding to emotions if there are any.
```

```
    """
```

```
    global __EMOTIONS__
```

```
    for prefix in __EMOTIONS__:
```

```
        if description.startswith(prefix + ' '):
```

```
            # recurse in case there is another emotion
```

```
            return remove_emotions(description[len(prefix)+1:])
```

```
    return description
```

```
def _set_emotion(description, emotion, capitalize):
```

```
    tmp = emotion + ' ' + remove_emotions(description)
```

```
    return tmp.capitalize() if capitalize else tmp
```

```
def make_angry(description, capitalize = False):
```

```
    """Make the described object angry."""
```

```
    This is an example of a Google Docstring formatting.
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```

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```

```
    Returns:
```

```
        str: The input string without initial emotions and with the prefix `angry` instead.
```

```
    """
```

```
    return _set_emotion(description, 'angry', capitalize)
```

```
def make_surprised(description, capitalize = False):
```

```
    """Make the described object surprised."""
```

```
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```

```
    Parameters
```

```
    -----
```

```
    description: str
```

```
        The string to be processed
```

```
    capitalize: bool, optional
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```
        Whether the first character in the output should be capitalized (default is False)
```

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    Returns
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```
    -----
```

```
    str
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        The input string without initial emotions and with the prefix `surprised` instead.
```



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            be capitalized (default is False)

Returns:
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"""
return _set_emotion(description, 'angry', capitalize)

def make_surprised(description, capitalize = False):
    """Make the described object **surprised.**

    This is an example of a numpy doc formatting.

    Parameters
    -----
    description: str
        The string to be processed
    capitalize: bool, optional
        Whether the first character in the output should be capitalized (default is False)

Returns
-----
    str
        The input string without initial emotions and with the prefix `surprised` instead.
    """
    return _set_emotion(description, 'surprised', capitalize)

def make_happy(description, capitalize = False):
    """Make the described object **happy.**

    This is an example of a Google Docstring formatting.

    Args:
        description (str): The string to be processed
        capitalize (bool): Whether the first character in the output should
            be capitalized (default is False)

Returns:
    str: The input string without initial emotions and with the prefix `happy` instead.
    """
    return _set_emotion(description, 'happy', capitalize)

def make_sad(description, capitalize = False):
    """Make the described object **sad.**

    This is an example of a numpy doc formatting.

    Parameters
    -----
    description: str
        The string to be processed
    capitalize: bool, optional
        Whether the first character in the output should be capitalized (default is False)

Returns
-----
    str
        The input string without initial emotions and with the prefix `sad` instead.
    """
    return _set_emotion(description, 'sad', capitalize)
```

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```
4 directories, 13 files
```

```
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```

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## Sub-modules

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# Package **varia**

One-line summary: lots of things.

Now a longer description follows. Here you can write a lot. Honestly, you shouldn't be putting all these packages together because they have nothing in common. But at least you can use markdown here: *italics* **bold**. My favorite variable name is `nothing`. By the way, some people claim that this is the most beautiful equation:

$$e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0$$

### Warning

The interface here is unstable.

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## Sub-modules

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Compute various functions related to multiplication.

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# Module **varia.add**

This module handles things related to addition

This is a longer description.

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## Functions

```
def add(x, y, z=0)
```

Addition of up to three numbers

### Arguments

**x**: first term to add

**y**: second term to add

**z**: third term to add (optional, 0 if not present)

### Returns

The sum of **x**, **y**, and **z**, i.e.,  $x + y + z$  or  $\ln(e^x \cdot e^y \cdot e^z)$ .

► EXPAND SOURCE CODE

```
def double(x)
```

Doubles its input.

### Depracated

Just multiply by two instead.

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# Module **varia.multiply**

Compute various functions related to multiplication.

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## Functions

```
def cube(x)
```

Compute a cube of a number.

### Parameters

**x** : number  
the number to be squared

### Returns

number  
the cube of **x** (i.e.,  $x^3$ )

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```
def multiply(x, y)
```

Multiply two numbers.

### Parameters

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**y** : number  
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### Returns

number  
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### Danger

Multiplying by zero is irreversible.



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# Module **varia.emotions**

Package with functions for operating on emotions in strings.

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## Many other tools for processing docstrings in Python

- Explore them before committing to one of them
- Check out Sphinx!





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## Git

- **[Quick demo in the terminal]**
- GUI tools available as well
- Most popular these days
- Can be used for distributed collaboration
- Popular hosting sites: Github, Gitlab, ..

**Discussion tomorrow:** quick demo of Github



```
[user@jupyter-notebook ~]$ git init git-demo
```

```
hint: Using 'master' as the name for the initial branch. This default branch name  
hint: is subject to change. To configure the initial branch name to use in all  
hint: of your new repositories, which will suppress this warning, call:
```

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hint:   git config --global init.defaultBranch <name>
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```

```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git config --global user.email "mlk@bu.edu"
```

```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$
```





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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ vim example.py
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git add -v example.py
add 'example.py'
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$
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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git add -v example.py
add 'example.py'
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git status
On branch master

No commits yet

Changes to be committed:
  (use "git rm --cached <file>..." to unstage)
        new file:   example.py

[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git commit -vm "initial version with one hello"
[master (root-commit) 86aec64] initial version with one hello
 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
 create mode 100644 example.py
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$
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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ vim example.py
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And hello, BU!
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On branch master
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Changes not staged for commit:
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  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git commit -vam "adding another hello"
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[master 2a7d58f] adding another hello
```

```
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ █
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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ vim example.py
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ python example.py
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And hello, BU!
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On branch master
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[master 2a7d58f] adding another hello
 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git log
commit 2a7d58f00c66edd8d85aff2762299ea0463c006b (HEAD -> master)
Author: Martin Luther King Jr <mlk@bu.edu>
Date:   Tue Feb 22 17:03:12 2022 -0500

    adding another hello

commit 86aec64c684f27019f073dc2081298fb11f11109
Author: Martin Luther King Jr <mlk@bu.edu>
Date:   Tue Feb 22 16:57:06 2022 -0500

    initial version with one hello
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$
```



```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git branch third-hello
```

```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git switch third-hello
```

```
Switched to branch 'third-hello'
```

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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ vim example.py █
```



```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git branch third-hello
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git switch third-hello
Switched to branch 'third-hello'
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ vim example.py
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git status
On branch third-hello
Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
        modified:   example.py

no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git commit -vam "adding a third hello"
[third-hello ade2a77] adding a third hello
 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$
```

```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git switch master
```

```
Switched to branch 'master'
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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ cat example.py
```

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print("Hello, world!")
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```
print("And hello, BU!")
```

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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ █
```

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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git switch master
Switched to branch 'master'
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ cat example.py
print("Hello, world!")
print("And hello, BU!")
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git merge third-hello
Updating 2a7d58f..ade2a77
Fast-forward
 example.py | 1 +
 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ cat example.py
print("Hello, world!")
print("And hello, BU!")
print("And hello, Boston!")
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$
```

```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git log
commit ade2a7728711cdf32689a5cf11f8b4a05755b479 (HEAD -> master, third-hello)
Author: Martin Luther King Jr <mlk@bu.edu>
Date: Tue Feb 22 17:04:58 2022 -0500

    adding a third hello

commit 2a7d58f00c66edd8d85aff2762299ea0463c006b
Author: Martin Luther King Jr <mlk@bu.edu>
Date: Tue Feb 22 17:03:12 2022 -0500

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Author: Martin Luther King Jr <mlk@bu.edu>
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Date: Tue Feb 22 16:57:06 2022 -0500
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initial version with one hello
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```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git checkout 86aec64c684f27019f073dc2081298fb11f11109
```

```
Note: switching to '86aec64c684f27019f073dc2081298fb11f11109'.
```

You are in 'detached HEAD' state. You can look around, make experimental changes and commit them, and you can discard any commits you make in this state without impacting any branches by switching back to a branch.

If you want to create a new branch to retain commits you create, you may do so (now or later) by using `-c` with the switch command. Example:

```
git switch -c <new-branch-name>
```

Or undo this operation with:

```
git switch -
```

Turn off this advice by setting config variable `advice.detachedHead` to `false`

```
HEAD is now at 86aec64 initial version with one hello
```

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```
[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ cat example.py
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[user@jupyter-notebook git-demo]$ git checkout master
Previous HEAD position was 86aec64 initial version with one hello
Switched to branch 'master'
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