

JUPYTERHUB, PYTHON, CONTAINERS & MORE:

INTRO TO USING POPULAR OPEN SOURCE TOOLS ON LC

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- ▶ Working with your favorite software/apps/tools/languages/packages/etc. is different in a cluster/HPC/shared environment than on a desktop!
- ▶ We want to give you a few different options for smoothing out your workflow and getting access to the tools you want!

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HAVE YOU USED PYTHON BEFORE?

A. Yes, a lot

B. Yes, a little

C. Not yet

Use module system to use the python version of your choice!

```
janeh@flash21:~$ which python3
/usr/tce/bin/python3
janeh@flash21:~$ module avail python
```

```
----- /usr/tce/modulefiles/Core -----
python/2.7.11      python/2.7.16 (D)      python/3.6.4
python/2.7.13      python/3.5.1           python/3.7.2
python/2.7.14      python/3.6.0           python/3.8.2
```

Where:

D: Default Module

Use "module spider" to find all possible modules and extensions.
Use "module keyword key1 key2 ..." to search for all possible modules matching any of the "keys".

```
janeh@flash21:~$ module load python/3.8.2
janeh@flash21:~$ which python3
/usr/tce/packages/python/python-3.8.2/bin/python3
```

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`virtualenv` binary associated with the python module you've loaded is in your path now.

```
janeh@flash21:~$ which python3
/usr/tce/packages/python/python-3.8.2/bin/python3
janeh@flash21:~$ which virtualenv
/usr/tce/packages/python/python-3.8.2/bin/virtualenv
```

You can create your own virtual environment via `virtualenv --system-site-package <venv_dir_path>`

```
janeh@flash21:~$ virtualenv --system-site-package ~/myvenv
Using base prefix '/collab/usr/gapps/python/build/spack-toss3.4/opt/spack/linux-rhel7-ivyb
ridge/gcc-4.9.3/python-3.8.2-6me27g5yfvrxcsemx25kovzjbf22vt'
New python executable in /g/g0/janeh/myvenv/bin/python3.8
Also creating executable in /g/g0/janeh/myvenv/bin/python
Installing setuptools, pip, wheel...
done.
```

<https://hpc.llnl.gov/software/development-environment-software/python>

Your newly created virtual environment has its own python binaries, pip (package manager), etc.

This is an environment **you** can edit!

To start working with your virtual environment, you need to activate it via ``source <venv_dir_path>/bin/activate``

```
janeh@flash21:~$ cd ~/myvenv
janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ ls
bin  include  lib  lib64
janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ ls bin
activate      activate.fish  activate.xsh      pip      pip3.8  python-config  python3.8
activate.csh  activate.ps1  activate_this.py  pip3     python  python3        wheel
janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ which python3
/usr/tce/packages/python/python-3.8.2/bin/python3
janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ source bin/activate
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ which python3
~/myvenv/bin/python3
```

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Having created and activated your python virtual environment, you can now use your default `pip` to install tensorflow:

```
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ which pip
~/myvenv/bin/pip
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ pip install intel-tensorflow
```

Having created and activated your python virtual environment, you can now use your default `pip` to install tensorflow:

```
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ which pip
~/myvenv/bin/pip
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ pip install intel-tensorflow
```

When I did this, I got a complaint about a dependency – nbformat:

```
ERROR: pip's dependency resolver does not currently take into account all the packages that are installed. This behaviour is the source of the following dependency conflicts.
plotly 2.2.0 requires nbformat>=4.2, which is not installed.
```

Installing the correct version of nbformat fixed this:

```
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ pip install nbformat==4.2
```

After installation, check you can import and use tensorflow:

```
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ python3
Python 3.8.2 (default, Mar 18 2020, 12:19:58)
[GCC 4.9.3] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import tensorflow
>>> msg = tensorflow.constant("TensorFlow 2.0 Hello World")
2021-05-26 19:57:17.997095: I tensorflow/core/platform/cpu_feature_guard.cc:142] This TensorFlow binary is optimized with oneAPI Deep Neural Network Library (oneDNN) to use the following CPU instructions in performance-critical operations: AVX2 FMA
To enable them in other operations, rebuild TensorFlow with the appropriate compiler flags.
2021-05-26 19:57:18.000234: I tensorflow/core/common_runtime/process_util.cc:146] Creating new thread pool with default inter op setting: 2. Tune using inter_op_parallelism_threads for best performance.
>>> tensorflow.print(msg)
TensorFlow 2.0 Hello World
```

More docs on installation and testing @

<https://lc.inl.gov/confluence/display/LC/TensorFlow+in+LC>

Similarly, using your virtual environment's pip, install pytorch:

```
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ which pip
~/myvenv/bin/pip
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ pip install torch torchvision
```

Similarly, using your virtual environment's pip, install pytorch:

```
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ which pip
~/myvenv/bin/pip
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ pip install torch torchvision
```

And check that installation is successful:

```
Successfully installed torch-1.8.1 torchvision-0.9.1
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ python3
Python 3.8.2 (default, Mar 18 2020, 12:19:58)
[GCC 4.9.3] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import torch
>>> x = torch.rand(5, 3)
>>> print(x)
tensor([[0.2729, 0.2918, 0.0528],
        [0.8790, 0.7048, 0.7278],
        [0.2984, 0.0410, 0.3625],
        [0.6315, 0.2937, 0.9328],
        [0.4661, 0.8340, 0.9212]])
```

```
janeh@lassen708:/usr/workspace/janeh$ mkdir -p opence
janeh@lassen708:/usr/workspace/janeh$ tar -xzf /collab/usr/global/tools/openc
e/${SYS_TYPE}/opence.tar.gz -C opence
```

```
janeh@lassen708:/usr/workspace/janeh$ source opence/bin/activate
(opence) janeh@lassen708:/usr/workspace/janeh$ conda-unpack
```

```
(opence) janeh@lassen708:/usr/workspace/janeh$ python3
Python 3.7.10 (default, Feb 26 2021, 19:30:21)
[GCC 7.3.0] :: Anaconda, Inc. on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import torch
>>> import tensorflow
2021-12-07 14:56:00.454139: I tensorflow/stream_executor/platform/default/dso
_loader.cc:49] Successfully opened dynamic library libcudart.so.10.2
```

<https://lc.llnl.gov/confluence/display/LC/Deep+Learning+in+LC>

<https://lc.llnl.gov/confluence/display/LC/2021/03/08/Open-CE+for+Lassen>

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HAVE YOU USED JULIA BEFORE?

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```
janeh@quartz2498:~$ which julia
/usr/gapps/julia/bin/julia
janeh@quartz1154:~$ cd /usr/gapps/julia/bin/
janeh@quartz1154:/usr/gapps/julia/bin$ ls
julia          julia-1.5.1      julia-1.6.1-power  julia-1.6.3-power
julia-0.6      julia-1.5.3      julia-1.6.2        julia-power
julia-0.7      julia-1.5.3-power  julia-1.6.2-power
julia-1.2.0    julia-1.6.1      julia-1.6.3
janeh@quartz1154:/usr/gapps/julia/bin$ ls -l julia
lrwxrwxrwx 1 janeh janeh 31 Oct  8 16:10 julia -> ../julia-1.6.3-x86-64/bin/julia
janeh@quartz1154:/usr/gapps/julia/bin$ ls -l julia-power
lrwxrwxrwx 1 janeh janeh 27 Oct 11 10:12 julia-power -> ../julia-1.6.3-power9/julia
```

To add this directory to your PATH:

```
export PATH=$PATH:/usr/gapps/julia/bin      #bash
```

```
setenv PATH $PATH:/usr/gapps/julia/bin     #csh
```

```
janeh@quartz1154:/usr/gapps/julia/bin$ ./julia
```

```

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```

Documentation: <https://docs.julialang.org>
Type "?" for help, "]"? for Pkg help.
Version 1.6.3 (2021-09-23)
Official <https://julialang.org/> release

```
(@v1.6) pkg> add Example
  Updating registry at `~/.julia/registries/General`
  Updating git-repo `https://github.com/JuliaRegistries/General.git`
  Resolving package versions...
  Updating `~/.julia/environments/v1.6/Project.toml`
 [7876af07] + Example v0.5.3
  Updating `~/.julia/environments/v1.6/Manifest.toml`
 [7876af07] + Example v0.5.3
Precompiling project...
 1 dependency successfully precompiled in 3 seconds
```

```
julia> using Example
```

```
julia> hello("LLNL")
"Hello, LLNL"
```

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R v3.6 lives on LC machines at `/usr/bin/R`:

```
janeh@flash21:~$ which R
/usr/bin/R
janeh@flash21:~$ R

R version 3.6.0 (2019-04-26) -- "Planting of a Tree"
Copyright (C) 2019 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
Platform: x86_64-redhat-linux-gnu (64-bit)

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Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.

> █
```

To customize your environment/add packages, `install.packages('<package name>')`.

```
> install.packages('IRkernel')
Installing package into '/usr/lib64/R/library'
(as 'lib' is unspecified)
Warning in install.packages("IRkernel") :
  'lib = "/usr/lib64/R/library"' is not writable
Would you like to use a personal library instead? (yes/No/cancel) y
Would you like to create a personal library
'~/R/x86\_64-redhat-linux-gnu-library/3.6'
to install packages into? (yes/No/cancel) y
```

You'll be prompted to create a personal library where you can install packages – similar to how we created a virtual environment to install python packages.

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HAVE YOU USED JUPYTER NOTEBOOKS BEFORE?

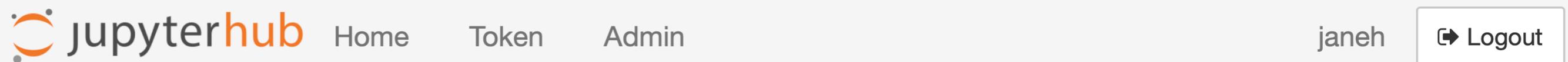
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On the CZ, log in to JupyterHub at <https://lc.llnl.gov/jupyter>

After authenticating with your pin and RSA token, you'll be taken to a screen where you can select a server.



Server Options

Select host for notebook launch:

- ✓ borax
- catalyst**
- corona
- flash
- lassen
- mammoth
- oslic
- pascal
- quartz
- ray
- ruby
- surface

Selecting a machine and hitting “Start server” should take you to a view of your home directory with a heading like



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Selecting a machine and hitting “Start server” should take you to a view of your home directory.

You can now create a “New” notebook, as below, and select a kernel. “Python 3” should be available by default!

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- aiida-setup-files
- DaggerExamples
- delete

Notebook:

- DSSI demo kernel
- Julia 1.5.3
- Julia 1.6.3
- My awesome kernel
- OpenCE
- Python 3

[Create a new notebook with Python 3](#)

See

<https://hpc.llnl.gov/services/jupyter>

for more info on JupyterHub!

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- Julia
- R

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Install ipykernel into your python virtual environment:

```
jane@flash21:~/myenv$ source bin/activate  
(myenv) jane@flash21:~/myenv$ pip install ipykernel
```

Install your custom kernel to `.local` in your home directory

```
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ python3 -m ipykernel install --prefix=$HOME/.local/ --name 'myvenv_kernel' --display-name 'myvenv_kernel'  
Installed kernelspec myvenv_kernel in /g/g0/janeh/.local/share/jupyter/kernels/myvenv_kernel
```

Check that a JSON file with expected format exists for your new kernel:

```
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/myvenv$ cd ~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels/  
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels$ ls  
R dssi-demo-kernel julia-1.5 myvenv_kernel testkernel  
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels$ cd myvenv_kernel/  
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels/myvenv_kernel$ ls  
kernel.json logo-32x32.png logo-64x64.png  
(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels/myvenv_kernel$ cat kernel.json  
{  
  "argv": [  
    "/g/g0/janeh/myvenv/bin/python3",  
    "-m",  
    "ipykernel_launcher",  
    "-f",  
    "{connection_file}"  
  ],  
  "display_name": "myvenv_kernel",  
  "language": "python"  
}(myvenv) janeh@flash21:~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels/myvenv_kernel$
```

Now, go to JupyterHub and check

(1) you can access the new kernel

(2) the kernel has any packages you installed to that virtual environment

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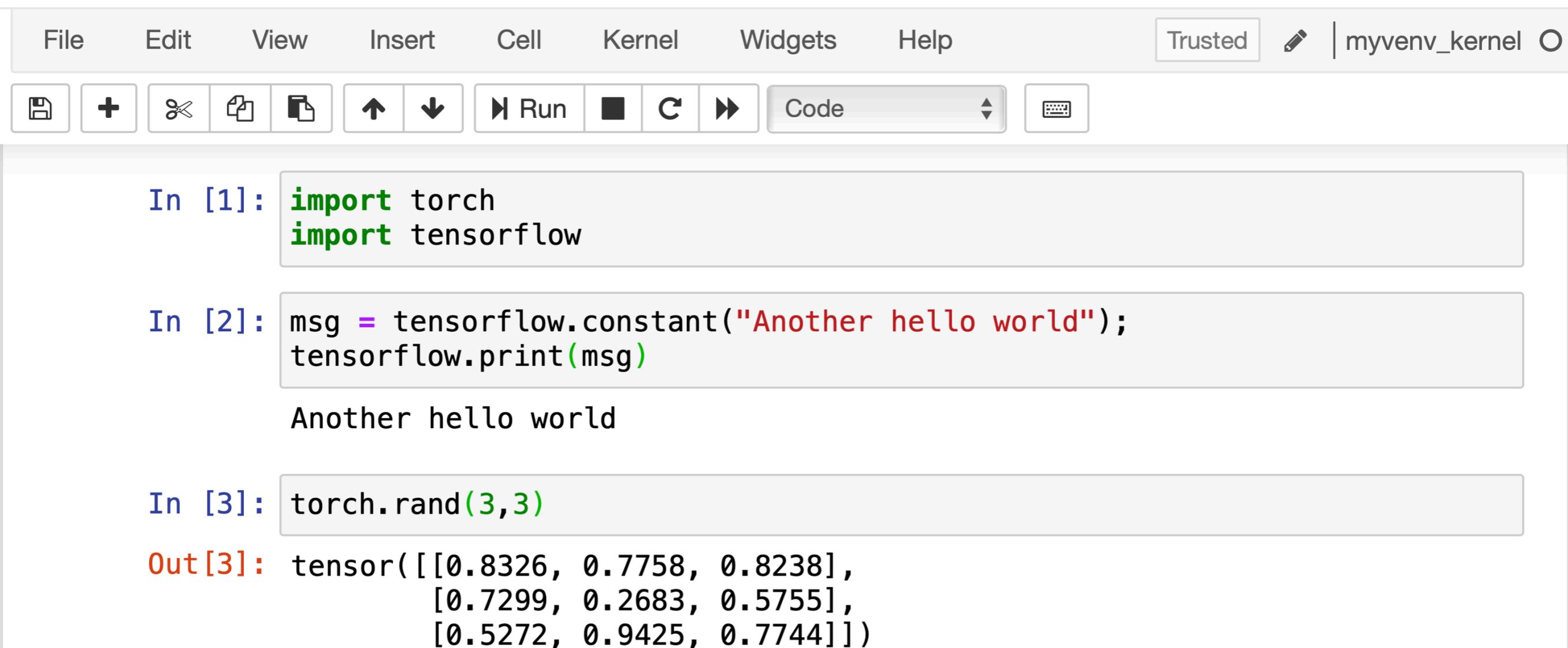
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The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Insert, Cell, Kernel, Widgets, Help) and a toolbar (Save, Add, Copy, Paste, Undo, Redo, Run, Stop, Refresh, Next). The notebook contains three code cells:

```
In [1]: import torch
import tensorflow
```

```
In [2]: msg = tensorflow.constant("Another hello world");
tensorflow.print(msg)

Another hello world
```

```
In [3]: torch.rand(3,3)
```

```
Out[3]: tensor([[0.8326, 0.7758, 0.8238],
                [0.7299, 0.2683, 0.5755],
                [0.5272, 0.9425, 0.7744]])
```

See the sections on custom kernels and home directory installation at

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First, install IJulia:

```
janeh@oslic7:~$ julia
```

```
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     _(_)_      | Documentation: https://docs.julialang.org
    (__) | (__) (__) |
     _ _ _ | | _ _ _ | Type "?" for help, "]"? for Pkg help.
    | | | | | | | / _ ` |
    | | | _ | | | | ( _ | | Version 1.6.3 (2021-09-23)
   _/ | \ _ _ ' _ | | _ \ _ _ ' _ | Official https://julialang.org/ release
  |__/_/ |
```

```
(@v1.6) pkg> add IJulia
  Updating registry at `~/.julia/registries/General`
  Updating git-repo `https://github.com/JuliaRegistries/General.git`
  Resolving package versions...
  Installed VersionParsing – v1.2.1
  Installed ZeroMQ_jll ——— v4.3.4+0
  Installed libsodium_jll — v1.0.20+0
  Installed Conda ————— v1.6.0
  Installed Parsers ————— v2.1.2
  Installed JSON ————— v0.21.2
  Downloaded artifact: libsodium
  Downloaded artifact: ZeroMQ
  Updating `~/.julia/environments/v1.6/Project.toml`
 [7073ff75] + IJulia v1.23.2
  Updating `~/.julia/environments/v1.6/Manifest.toml`
```

Go to `~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels``

```
janeh@oslic7:~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels$ ls
R      julia-1.5      myvenv_kernel  spack-R
dssi-demo-kernel  julia-1.6.3  opence        testkernel
janeh@oslic7:~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels$ ls julia-1.6.3/
kernel.json
janeh@oslic7:~/.local/share/jupyter/kernels$ cat julia-1.6.3/kernel.json
{
  "display_name": "Julia 1.6.3",
  "argv": [
    "/collab/usr/gapps/julia/julia-1.6.3-x86-64/bin/julia",
    "-i",
    "--color=yes",
    "--project=@.",
    "/g/g0/janeh/.julia/packages/IJulia/e8kqU/src/kernel.jl",
    "{connection_file}"
  ],
  "language": "julia",
  "env": {},
  "interrupt_mode": "signal"
}
```

Once you've checked `kernel.json` exists for the desired version of Julia, the Julia kernel will be visible on JupyterHub:

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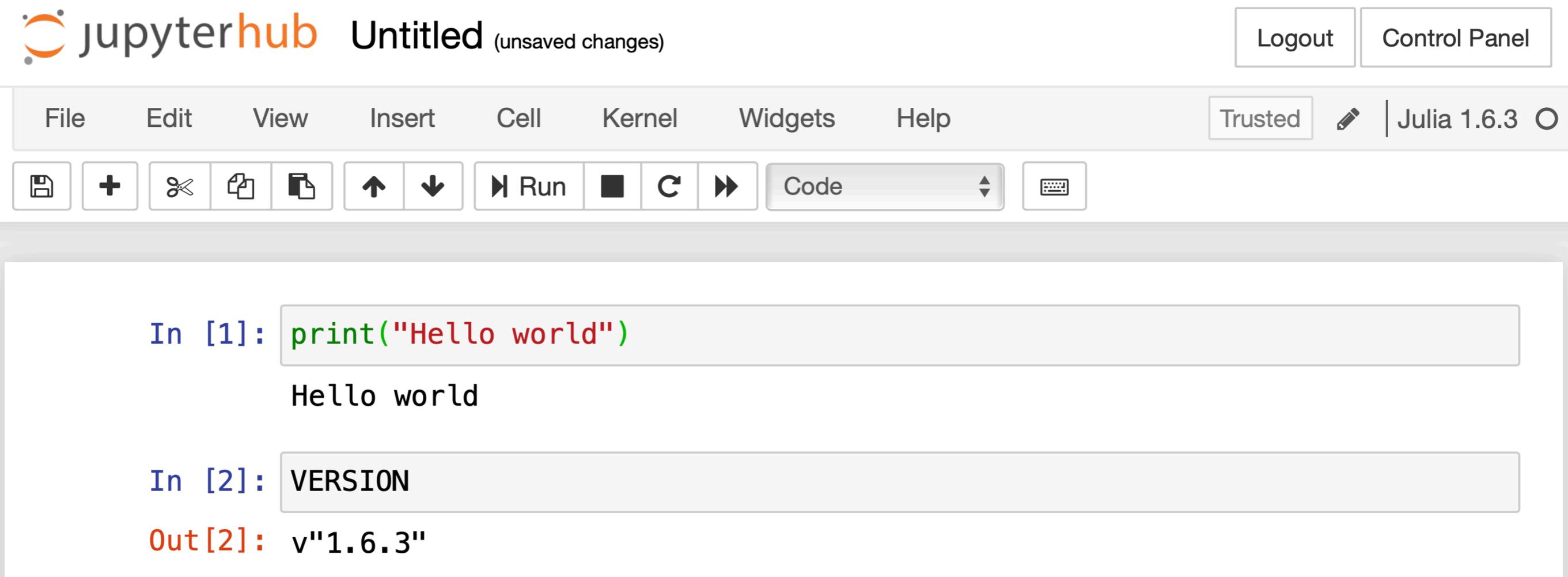
Notebook:

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Julia 1.5.3

Julia 1.6.3

Selecting your new custom kernel, you can open a Julia notebook:



The screenshot shows the Jupyter Notebook interface. At the top left is the JupyterHub logo and the text "jupyterhub Untitled (unsaved changes)". At the top right are buttons for "Logout" and "Control Panel". Below this is a menu bar with "File", "Edit", "View", "Insert", "Cell", "Kernel", "Widgets", and "Help". To the right of the menu bar are "Trusted" and "Julia 1.6.3" with a refresh icon. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for save, add, cut, copy, paste, undo, redo, run, stop, refresh, and a keyboard icon. The main area contains two code cells. The first cell has the input "In [1]: print('Hello world')" and the output "Hello world". The second cell has the input "In [2]: VERSION" and the output "Out [2]: v'1.6.3'".

jupyterhub Untitled (unsaved changes) Logout Control Panel

File Edit View Insert Cell Kernel Widgets Help Trusted | Julia 1.6.3

In [1]: `print("Hello world")`
Hello world

In [2]: `VERSION`
Out [2]: `v"1.6.3"`

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```
janeh@flash21:~$ which R
/usr/bin/R
janeh@flash21:~$ R

R version 3.6.0 (2019-04-26) -- "Planting of a Tree"
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Platform: x86_64-redhat-linux-gnu (64-bit)

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```

Install IRKernel via `install.packages('IRkernel')`:

```
> install.packages('IRkernel')
Installing package into '/usr/lib64/R/library'
(as 'lib' is unspecified)
Warning in install.packages("IRkernel") :
  'lib = "/usr/lib64/R/library"' is not writable
Would you like to use a personal library instead? (yes/No/cancel) y
Would you like to create a personal library
'~/R/x86\_64-redhat-linux-gnu-library/3.6'
to install packages into? (yes/No/cancel) y
```

You'll be prompted to create a personal library where you can install packages – similar to how we created a virtual environment to install python packages.

You'll next be prompted to select a "CRAN mirror", a web server from which to download IRkernel. (I chose #75.)

```
--- Please select a CRAN mirror for use in this session ---
```

```
Secure CRAN mirrors
```

```
1: 0-Cloud [https]
2: Australia (Canberra) [https]
3: Australia (Melbourne 1) [https]
4: Australia (Melbourne 2) [https]
5: Australia (Perth) [https]
6: Austria [https]
7: Brazil (BA) [https]
```

```
75: USA (OR) [https]
76: USA (TN) [https]
77: USA (TX 1) [https]
78: Uruguay [https]
79: (other mirrors)
```

```
Selection: 75
```

```
trying URL 'https://ftp.osuosl.org/pub/cran/src/contrib/IRkernel_1.2.tar.gz'
Content type 'application/x-gzip' length 62663 bytes (61 KB)
```

```
=====  
downloaded 61 KB
```

Create a new directory called ``.local/share/jupyter/kernels/R``

```
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```

and populate it with the following information:

```
janeh@flash21:~/local/share/jupyter/kernels/R$ cat kernel.json  
{  
  "argv": ["/usr/bin/R", "--quiet", "-e", "IRkernel::main()", "--args", "{connection_file}"],  
  "display_name": "R",  
  "language": "R"  
}
```

Now, go to JupyterHub and check that you can use R!



Logout Control Panel

Files Running Clusters

Select items to perform actions on them.

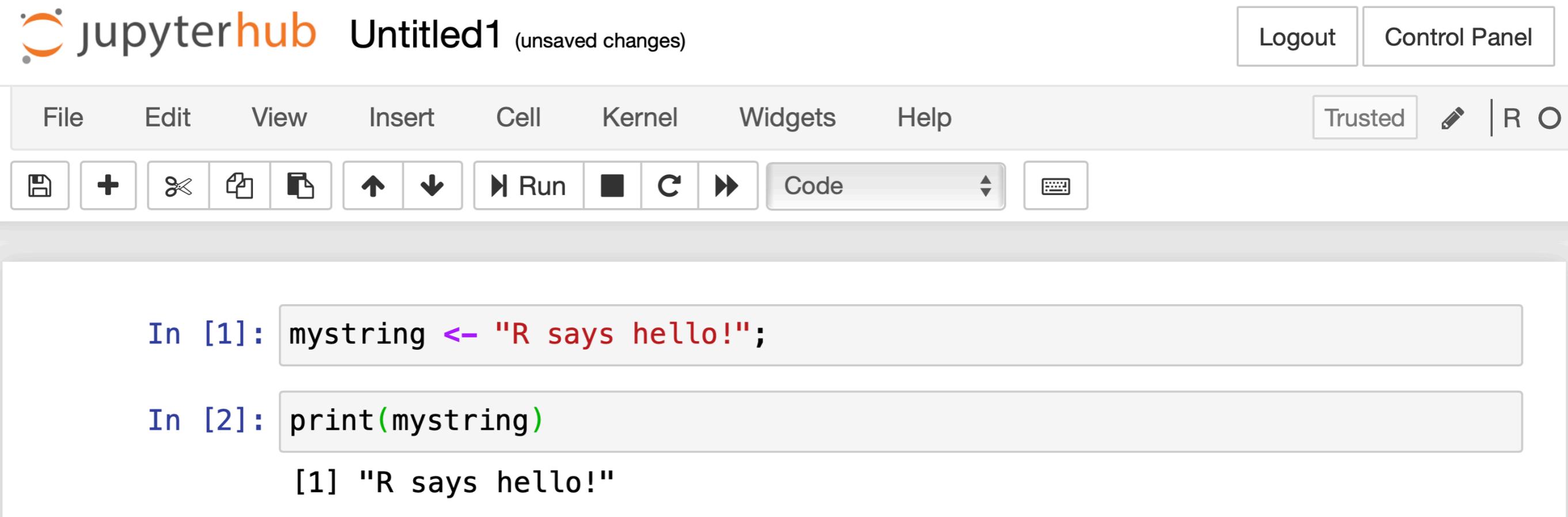
Upload New ↕ ↻

<input type="checkbox"/> 0	Name ↓
<input type="checkbox"/>	/
<input type="checkbox"/>	Folder AiiDA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Folder aiida-setup-files
<input type="checkbox"/>	Folder DaggerExamples
<input type="checkbox"/>	Folder delete
<input type="checkbox"/>	Folder Documents

Notebook:

- DSSI demo kernel
- Julia 1.5.3
- Julia 1.6.3
- My awesome kernel
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The screenshot shows the JupyterHub interface. At the top left is the JupyterHub logo and the text "jupyterhub Untitled1 (unsaved changes)". To the right are "Logout" and "Control Panel" buttons. Below this is a menu bar with "File", "Edit", "View", "Insert", "Cell", "Kernel", "Widgets", and "Help". On the right of the menu bar are "Trusted", a pencil icon, and "R" with a circle. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for save, add, cut, copy, paste, up, down, run, stop, refresh, and a keyboard icon. The main area contains two code cells. The first cell has the code `mystring <- "R says hello!"`. The second cell has the code `print(mystring)` and the output `[1] "R says hello!"`.

<https://hpc.llnl.gov/services/Jupyter/R>

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HAVE YOU WORKED WITH CONTAINERS (LIKE DOCKER) BEFORE? 54

A. Yes, a lot

B. Yes, a little

C. Not yet

You can use containers to work with an application that isn't installed/supported on LC machines, without needing to install the app yourself.

LC uses Singularity rather than Docker to run containers, but your Docker containers will work with Singularity!

For example, say you want the latest python available here:



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```
`singularity pull <name_for_container_img> docker://<name_from_dockerhub>`
```

```
janeh@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ singularity pull mpython.img docker://python  
INFO: Converting OCI blobs to SIF format  
INFO: Starting build...  
Getting image source signatures
```

Creates a file, ``<name_for_container_img>``

```
janeh@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ ls  
mpython.img
```

You can “shell into” a container, allowing you to work with whatever binaries/apps live inside:

```
janeh@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ which python3
/usr/tce/bin/python3
janeh@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ python3
Python 3.7.2 (default, Feb 26 2019, 08:59:10)
[GCC 4.9.3] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> exit()
janeh@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ singularity shell mpython.img bash
Singularity> which python3
/usr/local/bin/python3
Singularity> python3
Python 3.9.5 (default, May 12 2021, 15:26:36)
[GCC 8.3.0] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> █
```

When you're "in" the container, you can use the container apps but access your local filesystem*

```
janeh@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ singularity shell mpython.img bash
Singularity> ls
mpython.img
Singularity> pwd
/g/g0/janeh/Singularity/DSSI
Singularity> echo $HOME
/g/g0/janeh
```

*Your home directory is viewable by default, but you have to explicitly "mount" other LC file systems. See the docs!

Without “entering” the container, you can execute commands as if you were inside the container with

```
`singularity exec <container> <command to run inside container>`
```

```
jane@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ singularity exec mypython.img python3 -c 'print("hello!")'  
hello!
```

Similarly, you could work with R v4.1.0 using a container:

```
janeh@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ singularity pull myR.img docker://r-base
```

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```

```
janeh@flash21:~/Singularity/DSSI$ singularity shell myR.img bash  
Singularity> R
```

```
R version 4.1.0 (2021-05-18) -- "Camp Pontanezen"  
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Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu (64-bit)
```

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```
  Natural language support but running in an English locale
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```

```
> msg <- "Hello!"  
> print(msg)
```

See

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for our docs with more examples.

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A flexible package manager supporting multiple versions, configurations, platforms, and compilers.

Can find docs and tutorials at

https://spack.readthedocs.io/en/latest/getting_started.html

As well as a list of all available packages at

https://spack.readthedocs.io/en/latest/package_list.html#r-irkernel

First, install Spack with `git clone...`

```
janeh@flash21:~$ git clone https://github.com/spack/spack.git
Cloning into 'spack'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 283370, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (419/419), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (249/249), done.
remote: Total 283370 (delta 134), reused 324 (delta 73), pack-reused 282951
Receiving objects: 100% (283370/283370), 114.64 MiB | 27.24 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (120374/120374), done.
Updating files: 100% (8162/8162), done.
```

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Source your Spack environment to configure paths.

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janeh@flash21:~$ cd spack/share/spack/
janeh@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ . setup-env.sh
```

And then you're ready to install packages!

```
`spack install <packagename>`
```

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janeh@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ . setup-env.sh
janeh@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ spack install r
```

Often this will be enough to get a clean installation.

Here, Spack complained about my compiler (gcc) version:

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janeh@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ . setup-env.sh
janeh@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ spack install r
==> Error: Conflicts in concretized spec "r@4.1.0%gcc@4.9.3~X~external-lapack~memory_profiling~rmath arch=linux-rhel7-haswell/zufij6s"
List of matching conflicts for spec:

    icu4c@67.1%gcc@4.9.3 cxxstd=11 arch=linux-rhel7-haswell
      ^python@3.8.10%gcc@4.9.3+bz2+ctypes+dbm~debug+libxml2+lzma~nis~optimizations+pic+pyexpat+pythoncmd+readline+shared+sqlite3+ssl~tix~tkinter~ucs4+uuid+zlib patches=0d98e93189bc278fbc37a50e
d7f183bd8aaf249a8e1670a465f0db6bb4f8cf87 arch=linux-rhel7-haswell
```

To fix this, I used the module system to find and load a newer version of gcc:

```
jane@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ module avail gcc
```

```
----- /usr/tce/modulefiles/Core -----  
gcc/4.8-redhat      gcc/6.1.0    gcc/7.3.0    gcc/8.3.1    gcc/10.2.1  
gcc/4.9.3          (D)         gcc/7.1.0    gcc/8.1.0    gcc/9.3.1
```

Where:

D: Default Module

Use "module spider" to find all possible modules and extensions.

Use "module keyword key1 key2 ..." to search for all possible modules matching any of the "keys".

```
jane@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ module load gcc/10.2.1
```

Lmod is automatically replacing "intel/19.0.4" with "gcc/10.2.1".

Due to MODULEPATH changes, the following have been reloaded:

1) mvapich2/2.3

I then registered the new compiler (version 10.2.1 of gcc) and used the syntax

```
`spack install <package> %<compiler_name>@<compiler_version>`
```

```
janeh@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ spack compiler find
==> Added 1 new compiler to /g/g0/janeh/.spack/linux/compilers.yaml
gcc@10.2.1
==> Compilers are defined in the following files:
/g/g0/janeh/.spack/linux/compilers.yaml
janeh@flash21:~/spack/share/spack$ spack install r %gcc@10.2.1
```

After this, R version 4.1.0 installed successfully.

With `spack find` I can see both what's installed and where.

```
janeh@flash21:~$ spack find
==> 29 installed packages
-- linux-rhel7-haswell / gcc@10.2.1 -----
berkeley-db@18.1.40  gettext@0.21  libmd@1.0.3      pcre2@10.36    sqlite@3.35.5
bzip2@1.0.8         icu4c@67.1    libunistring@0.9.10  perl@5.32.1    tar@1.34
curl@7.76.1        libbsd@0.11.3  libxml2@2.9.10     pkgconf@1.7.4  util-linux-uuid@2.36.2
diffutils@3.7      libffi@3.3     ncurses@6.2       python@3.8.10  xz@5.2.5
expat@2.3.0        libiconv@1.16  openjdk@11.0.8_10  r@4.1.0        zlib@1.2.11
gdbm@1.19          libidn2@2.3.0  openssl@1.1.1k     readline@8.1
janeh@flash21:~$ spack find r
==> 1 installed package
-- linux-rhel7-haswell / gcc@10.2.1 -----
r@4.1.0
janeh@flash21:~$ spack find --paths r
==> 1 installed package
-- linux-rhel7-haswell / gcc@10.2.1 -----
r@4.1.0  /g/g0/janeh/spack/opt/spack/linux-rhel7-haswell/gcc-10.2.1/r-4.1.0-kr3ugnzx2qmoggyeti4ce
pjzx7n3i4yp
```

`spack load <package>` allows me to find my new package:

```
janeh@flash21:~$ which R
/usr/bin/R
janeh@flash21:~$ spack load r
janeh@flash21:~$ which R
~/spack/opt/spack/linux-rhel7-haswell/gcc-10.2.1/r-4.1.0-kr3ugnzx2qmoggyeti4cepjzx7n3i4yp/bin/R
janeh@flash21:~$ R
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Package Name	Version	Unclassified	Classified (iSRD & iNSI)	LC OCF/SCF
IRkernel	>= 1.1.1	+	+	Approved

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