# Building Your Open Science Toolkit

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### Outline

- Roots for Resiliency
- Open Science
- Data management
- ► GitHub
- Containers
- Remote Computing

#### **Roots for Resiliency?**

- The Roots for Resilience Program provides training and support to select graduate students on open, reproducible science and computational infrastructure tools to enhance research focused on resiliency in the environment
- 13 students from different departments
- Takes place in fall semester
- Meets twice a week
- Each fellow is nominated by department
  - ► Talk to your advisor if interested in being nominated
  - The process for selection usually starts in April

#### What is open science?

- Open access to data, analysis, and software
- Reproducibility, accountability and collaboration
- Examples:
  - Government agencies like NASA and NOAA share their data and models globally, giving anyone access to life saving forecasts and the ability to further scientific development
  - Publications often give you the ability to shared code and data used for analysis

Pillars of Open Science



Credit: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

#### Data management

- Data is the foundation of science, so we will start here to in building an open science framework
- ► FAIR Principles
  - ► Findable
  - Accessible
  - Interoperable
  - Reusable

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The FAIR Guiding Principles for scientific data management and stewardship

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Ensure both data and meta data follow these principles

#### Data Manage Plan (DMP) Tools

- Through the university, we have access to Data Manage Plan (DMP) Tools website: <u>https://dmptool.org/</u>
- Public funded research requires you to make a data management plan
  - "DMPs are short, formal, documents outlining what types of data will be used, and what will be done with the data both during and after a research project concludes."
- Through DMP Tools you can...
  - Make a private and public plan
  - Request feedback
  - Create an ORCID
  - Use ReData if you want to use the university to store data

# **Using GitHub**

- GitHub is an incredible resource for making creating, editing, and collaborating with code
- You can track changes you have made by pushing new edits to your code to a GitHub repository
- Using branches, you can work on new features of your code without effecting the code on the main branch
- When you merge changes from one branch to another, you create a pull request



Credit: GitHub

#### GitHub and VS Code

GitHub commands can be done in command line, but VS Code has powerful integrations that can make the process more intuitive

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### Making your code reproducible

- Create a README file
- Provides scripts
- Access to necessary data
- Organize your repository with folders
- Specify if scripts should be run in a particular order

#### Making a README.md

In GitHub, .md documents stand for Markdown documents

Markdown has simple syntax that allows you to format the text for web display

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### What to include in a README.md

- Description of repository
- Description of file structure
- Description of the contents and purpose of each file
- Steps to set up the coding environment
- How to run the scripts

### **Coding environments**

- To run specific code, you need to make sure all the packages and the correct versions are installed
- Coding environments allow you to reproduce the exact environment that is compatible with a repository of code
- In Python, you can export all the packages required to make your code run to a file called "requirements.txt"

pip freeze > requirements.txt

python -m venv new\_env source

new\_env/bin/activate

python -m pip install -r requirements.txt

# Example GitHub repository

- Research repository
  - https://github.com/csoloff/ACTIVATE\_CCN\_closure
- Website hosting
  - https://github.com/csoloff/csoloff.github.io
  - ► <u>csoloff.com</u>

#### Software containers

- Another way to make your code reproducible is to build software containers
- Software containers package your code and software
  - When you run a container, all the required software will install
  - Makes it easier for the recipient to run your code, no need to manually install dependencies
  - Works across operating systems
- Docker is a popular platform for building, testing, and deploying containers



### Remote computing

- Remote computing allows you to run your code off a powerful computer, speeding up the time it takes for computationally demanding tasks to run
- The University of Arizona has two amazing resources for remote computing
  - CyVerse
  - High Performance Computer (HPC)



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### CYVERSE

- "Cyverse has been in existence for 16 years; has spent \$120M in research funds; has 135,000 registered users; and has facilitated 1,700 peer-reviewed publications across many scientific fields"
- Data storage: up to 3TB of storage, easy to share data
- Analysis tools: preinstalled analysis applications
  - Executable Apps: Run a script or a series of scripts on your data
  - Interactive Apps: Launch software such as Jupyter notebooks, RStudio, QGIS, VScode, and more
- Cyverse.org

# U of A High Performance Computer (HPC)

- Free access to storage and computing
- The power of computing on HPC is due to the high numbers of cores (16 - 94 cores per computer)
  - To harness this power, you must make sure you code is parallelized
    - ► In Python, I use Joblib
    - In some software, it may be just a simple as checking a box
- It is also possible to use multiple computers (or nodes) at once



# **Questions**?