

Student setup sequence to run EOSC211 Jupyter notebooks.

Follow the steps in column 1 exactly as written. This sequence assumes you are running a laptop or computer that uses the Windows 10/11 operating system. NOTE: Commands must be typed EXACTLY as written: copy and pasting doesn't work.

Table 1: One-time setup instructions

	Do this to accomplish this.
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Download miniconda from https://docs.conda.io/en/latest/miniconda.html; choose the <i>Miniconda3 Windows 64-bit</i> version. - Run the downloaded executable file, agreeing to the licenses and accepting all defaults. - You should install for "just me". 	Install "miniconda", software that both manages packages you will fetch later, and includes basic components of Python.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tap the Windows key, type "Anaconda Powershell", press Enter. You should get the command line window showing something like: (miniconda3) Users/your-name> 	Run "Anaconda Powershell prompt (miniconda3)"
3	<p>Using windows explorer, go to the eos211 folder in which you are keeping all your eos211 work. There is a window near the top of explorer that is showing your file location (it should look something like <code>catherine > repos > eos211</code> where in my case I've nested the eos211 folder in another folder called repos). If you click in this window, you should see the full "path" to that folder – it should look something like <code>c:\catherine\repos\eos211</code></p> <p>Copy and paste this path into whatever you use for keeping notes as you will use it anytime you want to use jupyter notebook in future. In Table 2: step 2 we refer to this as "eos211_path"</p> <p>Now go back to the power shell terminal and "change directory" so that you are inside this folder. To do this, use the <code>cd</code> command to change to the path you just saved:</p> <pre>cd c:\catherine\repos\eos211</pre> <p>You can also use the Spanish tilde (~) as a shortcut for your home folder:</p> <pre>cd ~\repos\eos211</pre> <p>You can use the <code>pwd</code> command to print your working directory:</p> <pre>pwd</pre> <p>This should print your eos211 folder as your current working folder.</p>	Use a few basic command line instructions, see where you are (which folder), what's there.

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4	<p>Log into canvas and go to “Files” then to “lockfiles”. Download the file named <code>conda-win-64.lock</code></p> <p>Type <code>start .</code> (the word start followed by a period) to start Explorer in this folder. Use explorer to to move <code>conda-win-64.lock</code> file from your Downloads folder to your <code>eosc211</code> folder. You should see the filename listed when you type <code>ls</code> at the command prompt</p>	<p>Download the specifications for your conda environment.</p> <p>For more info: see the explanation of “why environments” in Resources below</p>
5	<p>In the <code>eosc211</code> folder</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Type <code>conda activate base</code> - Type <code>conda create -name eosc211 -file conda-win-64.lock</code> <p>-- conda will begin downloading and installing packages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - type <code>conda env list</code> You should see a list of two environments: "base" and "eosc211" 	<p>Starting from the default base environment, build a new environment required for running Python and Jupyter notebooks for this course.</p>
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Type <code>conda activate eosc211</code> 	<p>Switch to the <code>eosc211</code> environment.</p>

Table 2: To use jupyter notebook any time

1.	<p>Hit the windows key and select “Anaconda powershell prompt” to open a powershell terminal</p>	
2.	<p>Change into your <code>eosc</code> folder by either</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Finding your <code>eosc211</code> folder and dragging it into your terminal window b) In the terminal window type: <code>cd "eosc211_path"</code> where “<code>eosc211_path</code>” the path you copy and pasted somewhere safe in step 3 above. E.g. for me I would type: <pre>cd ~/repos/eosc211_2022</pre> <p><code>cd</code> means “change directory” or “change folder”.</p>	
3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Type <code>conda activate eosc211</code> 	<p>Makes the packages specified by the “<code>eosc211</code>” environment available to Jupyter.</p>
4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Type: <code>> jupyter notebook.</code> - You should see your browser open a new window with the Jupyter Notebook interface. If not, get help from the instructor / TA. 	<p>Test Jupyter Notebooks.</p>
5.	<p>You’re ready to begin working as you would on the jupyter hub. You should see your lab and class folders listed, be able to make new ones etc.</p>	

Resources

Using the command line and “shells” :

- <https://eoas-ubc.github.io/tut-commandline.html>.

Explanation of “why environments”:

- <https://www.freecodecamp.org/news/why-you-need-python-environments-and-how-to-manage-them-with-conda-85f155f4353c/>.

Jupyter Notebook documentation:

- https://jupyter-notebook.readthedocs.io/en/stable/ui_components.html
- <https://nbviewer.jupyter.org/github/jupyter/notebook/blob/master/docs/source/examples/Notebook/Notebook%20Basics.ipynb>
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