



Improving Your Python Programming Experience

Tools and Tricks to Make Your Life Easier

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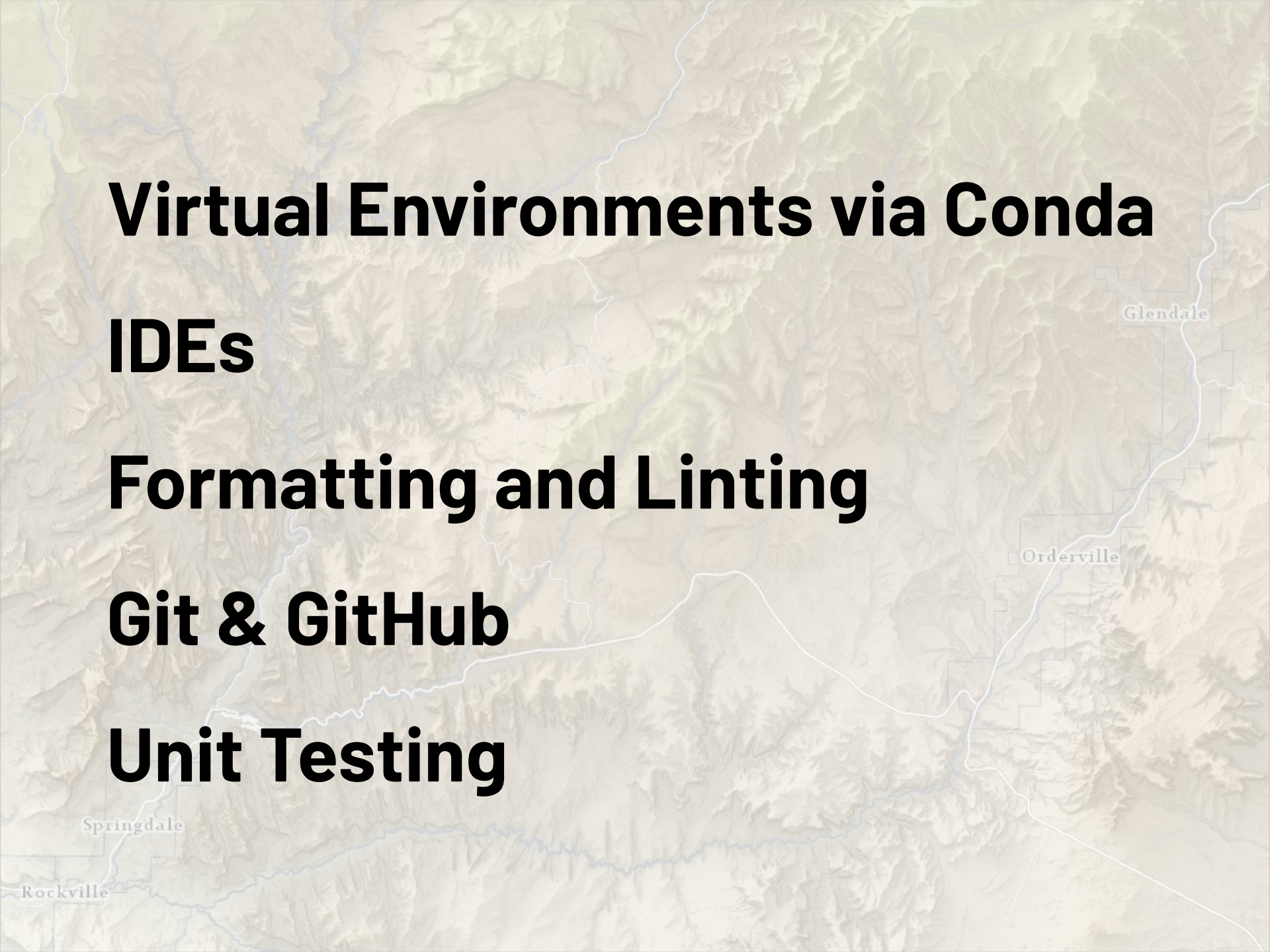
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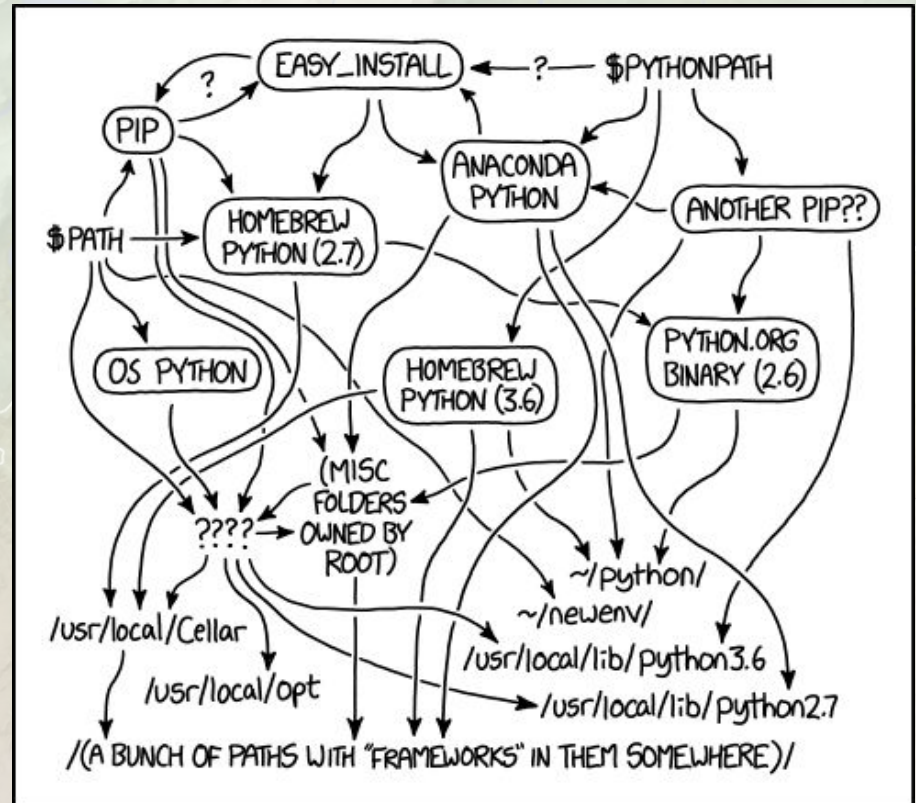
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Managing Your Environments With CONDA



MY PYTHON ENVIRONMENT HAS BECOME SO DEGRADED THAT MY LAPTOP HAS BEEN DECLARED A SUPERFUND SITE.

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(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>conda env list
# conda environments:
#
base                C:\Users\jedadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python
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upython            C:\Users\jedadams\AppData\Local\Programs\ArcGIS\Pro\bin\Python\envs\upython
```

**Conda virtual environments:
separate sandboxes for your
projects**

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Create a new, blank environment:

```
(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>conda create -n test
```

Clone an existing environment:

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(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>conda create -n test --clone arcgispro-py3
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Activate an environment:

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(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>activate test  
(test) c:\gis>
```

Delete an environment:

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(arcgispro-py3) c:\gis>conda env remove -n test
```

List installed packages:

```
(test) c:\gis>conda list
```

Install a package via conda:

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(test) c:\gis>conda install yapf
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Install a package via pip:

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(test) c:\gis>pip install ugrc-palletjack
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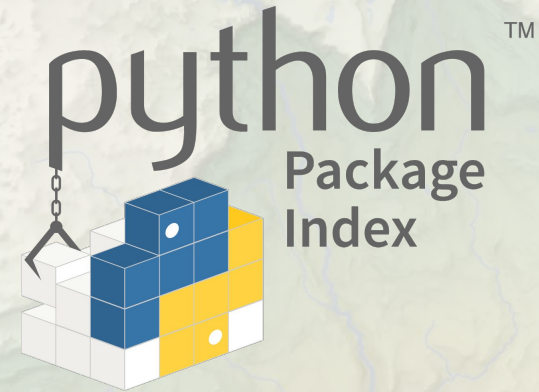
Install arcpy via conda:

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(test) c:\gis>conda install arcpy -c esri
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CONDA

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- **Installs Python**
- **Many channels**
- **Manages environments**
- **Installed with ArcGIS Pro**

- **Requires Python**
- **More packages**
- **Easy to automate dependencies**
- **Easily install local packages**

Packaging Your Code

Find, install and publish Python packages
with the Python Package Index

Search projects



Or [browse projects](#)

373,935 projects

3,439,629 releases

6,016,031 files

591,542 users

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Configuration: `setup.py`

Local Installation: `pip install -e .[tests]`

Distribution: Upload to PyPi

Writing with an IDE



https://www.reddit.com/r/Workbenches/comments/ls4v0/small_but_gets_it_done/

Visual Studio Code:

ONE IDE

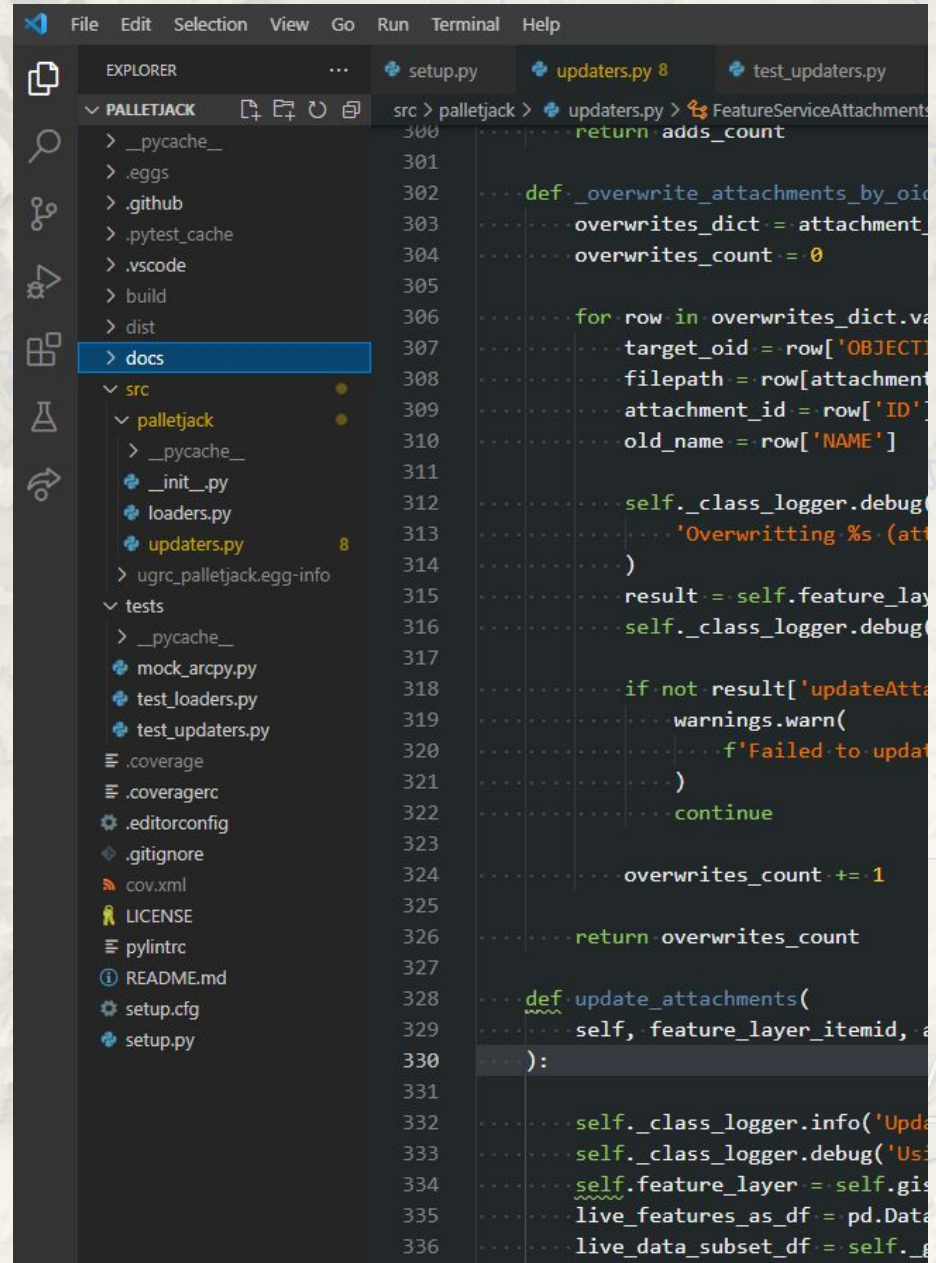


TO RULE THEM ALL

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Bluff

- Code hinting
- Highlighting
- Multi-select
- Go to definition
- Extensions
- Renaming
- Debugging



The image shows a screenshot of the Visual Studio Code editor interface. The background is a topographic map. On the left, the Explorer sidebar shows a project structure for 'PALLETJACK'. The 'src' folder is expanded, showing 'palletjack' and 'updaters.py' (highlighted in yellow). The main editor window displays the code in 'updaters.py', with line numbers 300 to 336 visible. The code includes a function definition for 'update_attachments' and a loop that iterates over 'overwrites_dict'. The code is syntax-highlighted, and there are small icons (like a magnifying glass) next to some lines, indicating code hinting or search functionality. The top menu bar includes 'File', 'Edit', 'Selection', 'View', 'Go', 'Run', 'Terminal', and 'Help'.

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Formatting & Linting



Why Code Style Matters



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Formatting vs Linting

- [PEP 8](#)
- Consistent style
- Doc strings and comments
- Performed by `yapf`
- Controlled by config file
(`setup.cfg`,
`pyproject.toml`,
...)

- Detects errors and "code smell"
- Enforces good programming practices
- Performed by `pylint`
- Controlled by `.pylintrc`

Getting a Handle on File Names: Version Control with Git & GitHub

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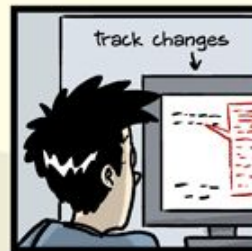
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TWICE, CUT ONCE.**

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git

- Solves the `_v3_try6.py` problem
- Version control
- Branching
- CLI and desktop clients
- Distributed repositories



GitHub

- Online home for repositories
- Pull Requests
- Issue tracking
- Readmes and documentation
- Continuous Integration (CI)
- A whole lot more

THIS IS GIT. IT TRACKS COLLABORATIVE WORK ON PROJECTS THROUGH A BEAUTIFUL DISTRIBUTED GRAPH THEORY TREE MODEL.

COOL. HOW DO WE USE IT?

NO IDEA. JUST MEMORIZE THESE SHELL COMMANDS AND TYPE THEM TO SYNC UP. IF YOU GET ERRORS, SAVE YOUR WORK ELSEWHERE, DELETE THE PROJECT, AND DOWNLOAD A FRESH COPY.

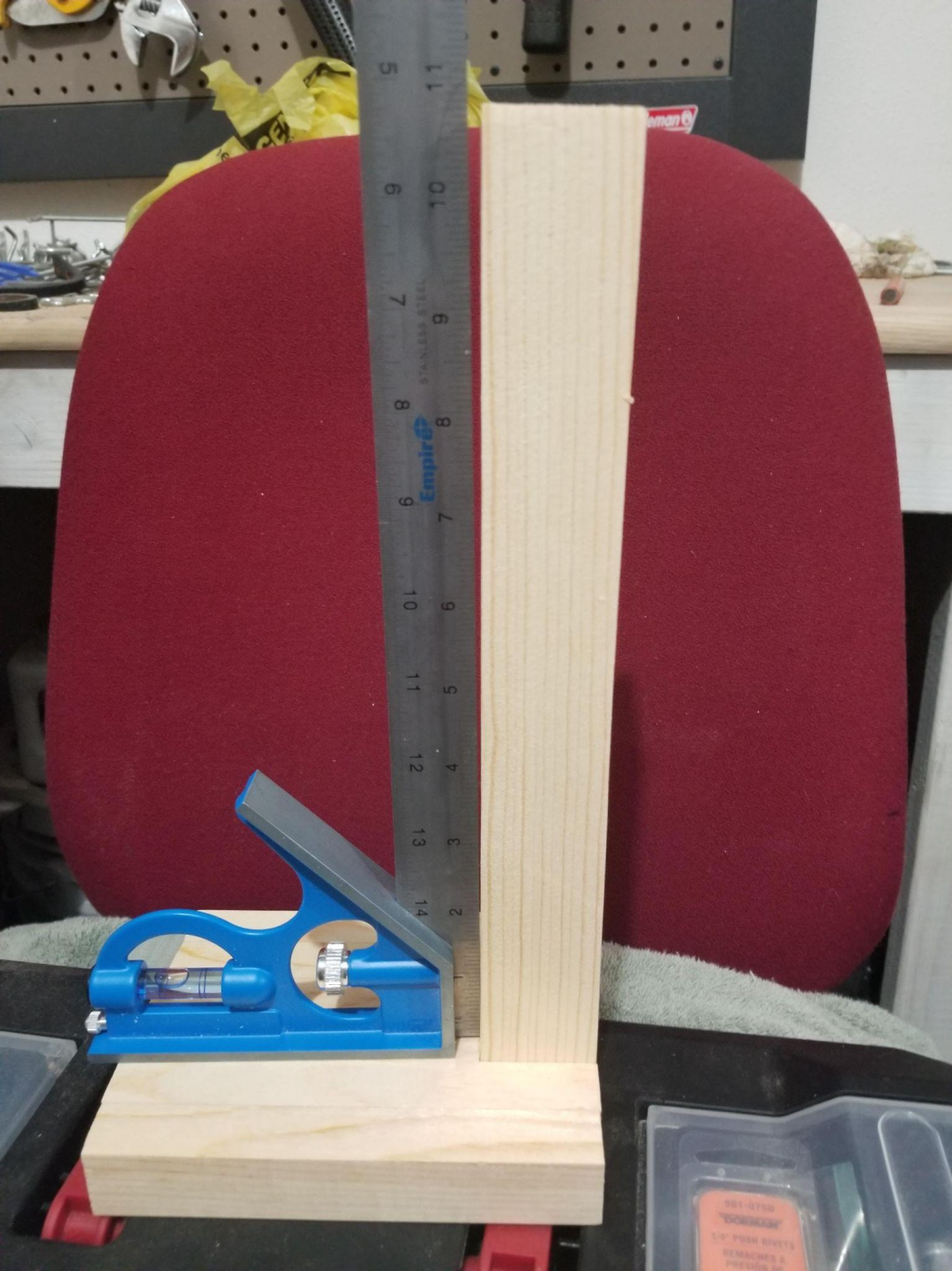


Unit Testing: Knowing When You Break Things



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<https://reddit.com/u/Patchen35>

Benefits of Unit Tests

- **Trusting your code**
- **Understanding your code**
- **Catching errors faster**
 - **Especially when updating**
- **Catching more edge cases**
- **Writing better code**

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Good Program Design

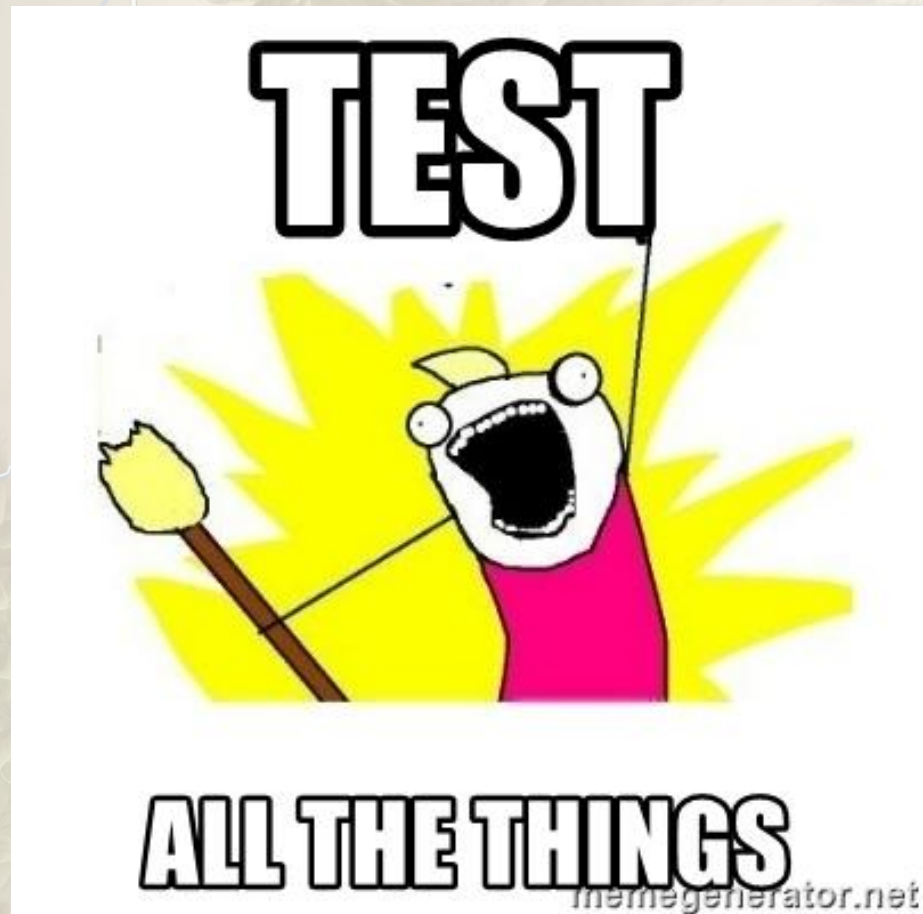
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  > change_geometry
  > add_extra_info_from_csv 1
  > get_centroids_copy_of_polygon_df
  > load_and_clean_parcel
  > clean_dissolve_field_names
  > get_non_base_addr_points
  > set_common_area_types
  > subset_owned_unit_groupings_from_comm...
  > set_multi_family_single_parcel_subtypes 2
  > get_address_point_count_series
  > standardize_fields
  > concat_evaluated_dataframes
  > classify_from_area 3
  > get_common_areas_intersecting_parcel... 2
  > concat_cities_metro_townships
```

Bad Program Design

```
OUTLINE
  > chunk
  > sizeof_fmt 2
  > stretch_scale
  > ProcessSuperArray 8
  > lock_init 2
  [e] lock
  > ParallelRCP +9
  [e] args
  [e] all 1
  [e] kernel_args
  [e] blur_gauss_args
  [e] mdenoise_args
  [e] clahe_args
  [e] hs_args
  [e] sky_args
  [e] out_args
  [e] arguments
  [e] arg_dict
  [e] input DEM
```

Basic Steps of a Unit Test

- **Arrange**
- **Act**
- **Assert**



Unit Test Tools

`unittest`



`pytest-mock`

`pytest-cov`



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Resources

- **UGRC Python template GitHub repo**
 - <https://github.com/agrc/python>
- **Conda docs**
 - <https://docs.conda.io/en/latest/>
- **pip docs**
 - <https://pip.pypa.io/en/stable/>
- **Virtual Studio Code**
 - <https://code.visualstudio.com/docs>
- **pylint docs**
 - <https://pylint.pycqa.org/en/latest/>
- **yapf docs**
 - <https://github.com/google/yapf>

Resources

- **Git docs**
 - <https://git-scm.com/doc>
- **Some decent git tutorials**
 - <https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials>
- **GitHub docs**
 - <https://docs.github.com/en>
- **unittest.mock reference**
 - <https://docs.python.org/3/library/unittest.mock.html>
- **pytest docs**
 - <https://docs.pytest.org/en/6.2.x/contents.html>
- **pytest-mock docs**
 - <https://pypi.org/project/pytest-mock/>
- **Some patchy notes on testing**
 - <https://github.com/jacobdadams/notes/blob/master/pytest.md>

Resources

- **My Virtual Studio Code Extensions:**
 - autoDocstring- streamline docstring creation
 - Code Spell Checker
 - Coverage Gutters- show test coverage generated by codecov
 - Git Graph- a visually-intuitive view of your git repo
 - HTML Preview- preview HTML files in Code
 - Live Share- collaborative coding with your coworkers
 - Markdown Preview Enhanced- preview .md files
 - markdownlint- get warnings about markdown style errors
 - Rainbow CSV- color-code csv "columns" for easier display in Code
 - Rewrap- automatically wrap long comments to additional lines
 - Son of Obsidian Theme- the color theme I use