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1 and 2 are already strongly encouraged. 3 and 4 may be soon, so get ahead!



# 1. git

Belle II defines some standards for creating an analysis repository. You are encouraged to follow this procedure from the beginning.

This presentation will assume a basic familiarity with the principles behind git, and remote hosted repositories. (All git commands needed will be supplied)

**Exercise:** look up usage of the command ``b2analysis-create``

## 2. Data provision

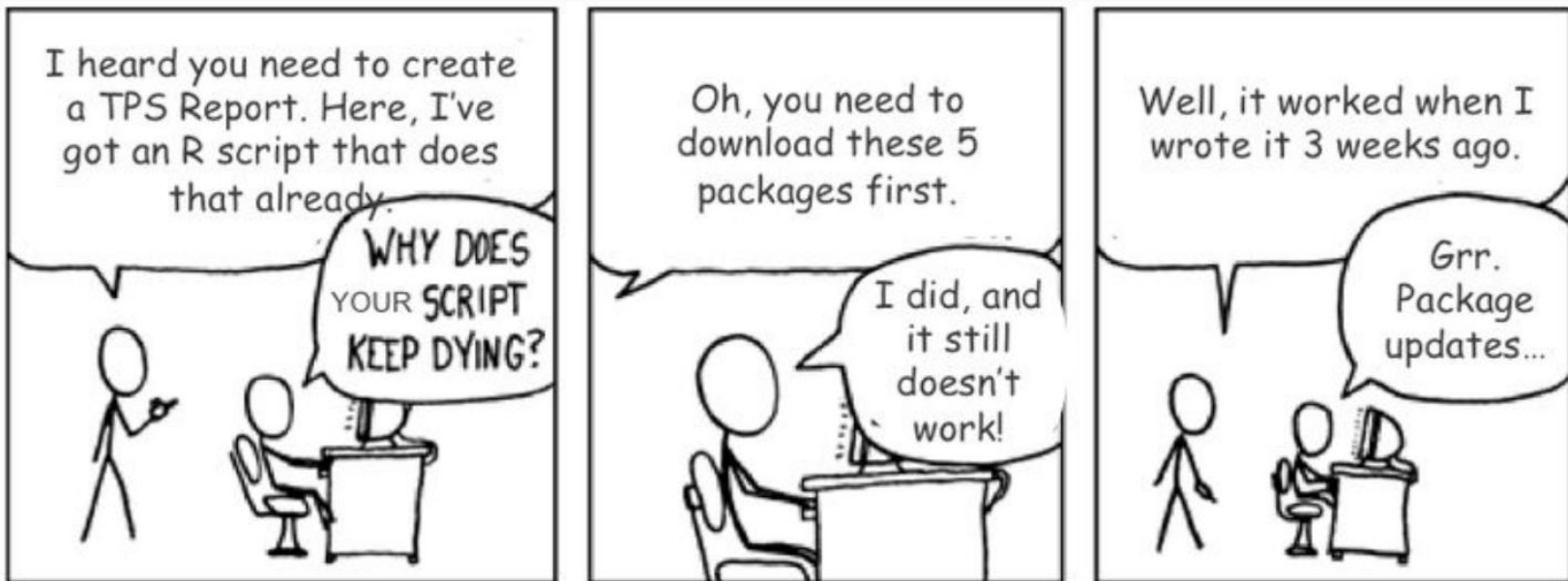
This is harder to formalize, and will differ slightly depending on each case.

Essentially, the analyst must make it possible for a future analyst to download/produce the same data/MC and they did, with the same conditions.

This must be coordinated with the experiment at large, who e.g. maintain the conditions database.

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# Open a terminal!

The next slides will be  
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We can now create separate environment for different analyses, without fear of breaking anything.

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The final product! Note, we can add packages to the file as we need to, then recreate the environment.

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**Exercise:** look up the conda command to list all available environments

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I've given it a new name so it doesn't overwrite our environment.yml

This file can be shared and used to create a complete replica of your working environment

**Exercise:** look at the output of the previous command - how is it different from our previous dependencies.yml file?

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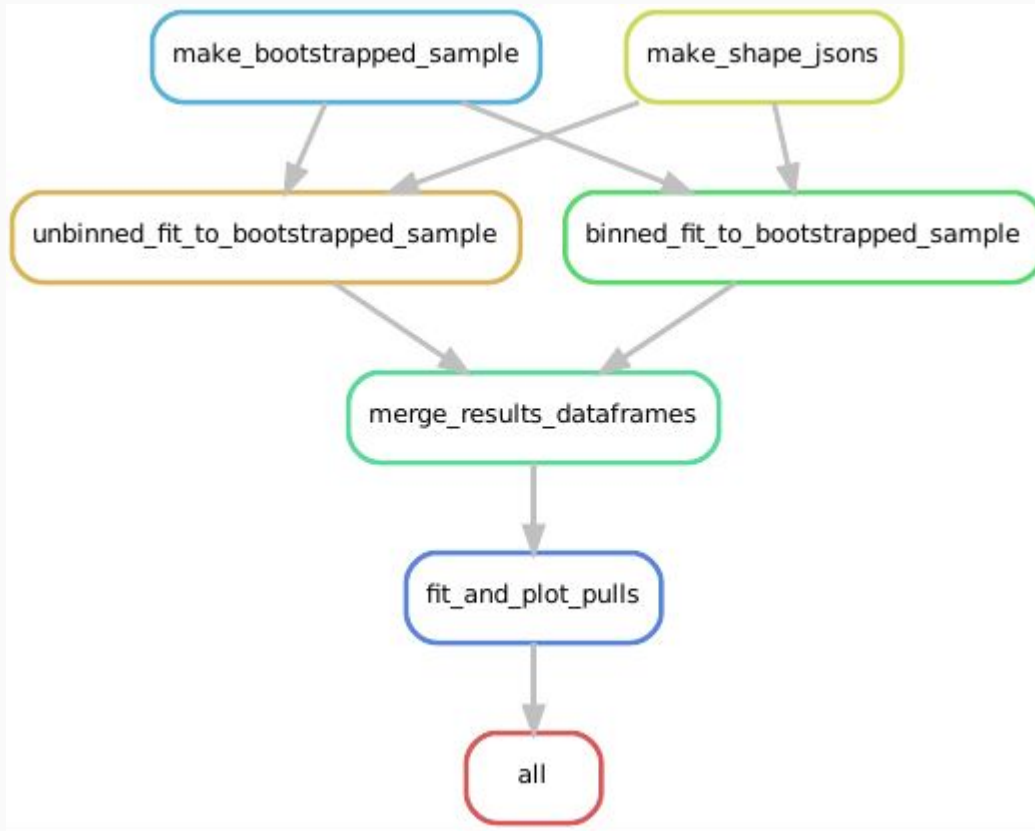
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## Example from real-life.

Snakemake can build a visualisation of the steps in your analysis.

This helps other people (and you!) understand your workflow.

This example creates toy datasets, and template PDFs as the first stage (no input required).

It then performs fits to each toy dataset and then calculates and fits pull distributions.



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Please open up “Snakefile” in your editor of choice.

Snakemake is built upon python, so normal python3 code can be used to extend it.

At the top of the file we define some constants needed as input to the generate\_mc.py script

```
# Fundamental constants used in workflow.  
# These can be stored in a configfile for added flexibility/readability.  
# Exercise: use a config file instead of hardcoding the number of signal and  
# background events to generate  
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**Exercise:** look up “Configuration” on the Snakemake documentation. How could we achieve the same thing with a config file?

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Here we use an f-string to format in the numbers for N\_SIG and N\_BKG, we don't expect these to change.

This is just a slightly more flexible way of writing:

**shell: "python generate\_mc.py 10000 30000 {output}"**

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As always, let's first think conceptually about the input and output.

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Try it out!

**\$ snakemake**


**This barely scratches the surface of what snakemake can do.**

**For even more complicated workflows, the tool “Luigi” can be used.**

**Note**

It is possible to use KEKCC batch computing with snakemake.

Because snakemake creates a graph of processes, it knows what can be run in parallel automatically.

`$ snakemake --cluster bsub -j 999`  Max number of consecutive jobs

**Now we see the true power of combining git, environment managers, and a workflow manager.**

**In only three commands, one can reproduce another user's analysis.**

```
$ git clone ssh://git@stash.desy.de:7999/~murphyco/ap_startertalk.git  
$ conda env create  
$ snakemake
```

**Let's write reproducible analyses!**

Thank you for  
listening!

## Bonus snakemake exercises

1. Look up the “--dag” and “--rulegraph” options in the snakemake documentation. Visualise the rulegraph for the test workflow in these slides
2. How can wildcards be used in the “shell” field of a rule? (wildcards object)
3. What does the “expand” keyword do?
4. Let’s say you have a preprocessing step which is intermediary, but produces large files that you want to delete afterwards. How do you mark those files as temporary in snakemake? (“temp” keyword)
5. Look up how conda environments can be integrated into specific rules