# **PyVO**Overview and community contribution refresher

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#### PyVO overview

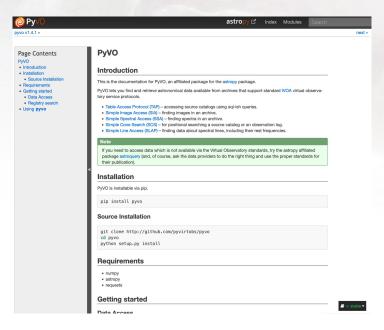
Standalone Python library to support standard IVOA virtual observatory service protocols.

Docs:

https://pyvo.readthedocs.io/en/stable/

Code:

https://github.com/astropy/pyvo/



# PyVO recent history

Community restart at IVOA Interop 2019 Paris

- Maintainer group to expand over multiple institutions
- Tap into the infrastructure ecosystem of community python
- More flexibility on standards
  - prototype feature (see Omar Laurino's 2022 Apr Interop talk)

### PyVO present

**v1.5** (to be released soon)

- Registry search now finds SIA v2 services
- .to\_qtable() method to return astropy QTable
- Make regtap service aware
- Cleanups and deprecations
- Various bugfixes in v1.4.1 since last interop



# PyVO near future

**V1.6** (~by next interop?)

- Empowered by prototype feature:
  - cloud access utilities (see Tess Jaffe's Science platform talk)
- Possibilities that needs champions
  - Consolidating VO relevant pieces into PyVO

(astropy.samp, and astroquery.vo\_conesearch)

- Your feature



#### **Collaborative software communities**

- Community software
  - There is no central institute driving development
  - Open to and can handle community contributions
- A home platform, accessible to anyone
  - GitHub, and services built around it
- Further reading on open-source communities
  - Nadia Eghbal/Asparouhova: Working in public





**Code on internet Open source Community development** 

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### Community

- **PyVO** is widely used in the astronomy community and beyond.
- Documentation, and rendered figures www.astroML.org
- Code and issue tracker on GitHub: <a href="https://github.com/astroML/astroML">https://github.com/astroML/astroML</a>
- Feedback is welcome on missing features not available elsewhere in the ecosystem



## **Definitions for Reproducibility**

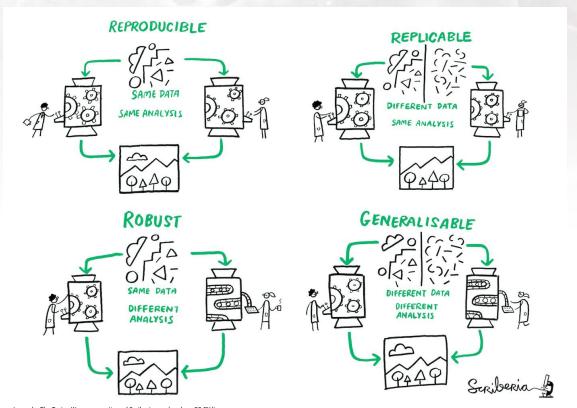


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## **Jupyter and Jupyter Book ecosystem**

- Jupyter is more than notebooks
- Modular, extensible, and powerful ecosystem for sharing and publishing

https://jupyterbook.org

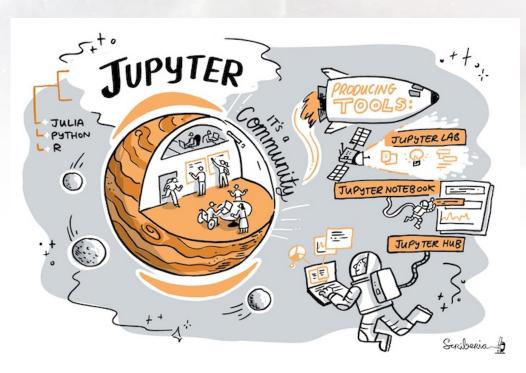
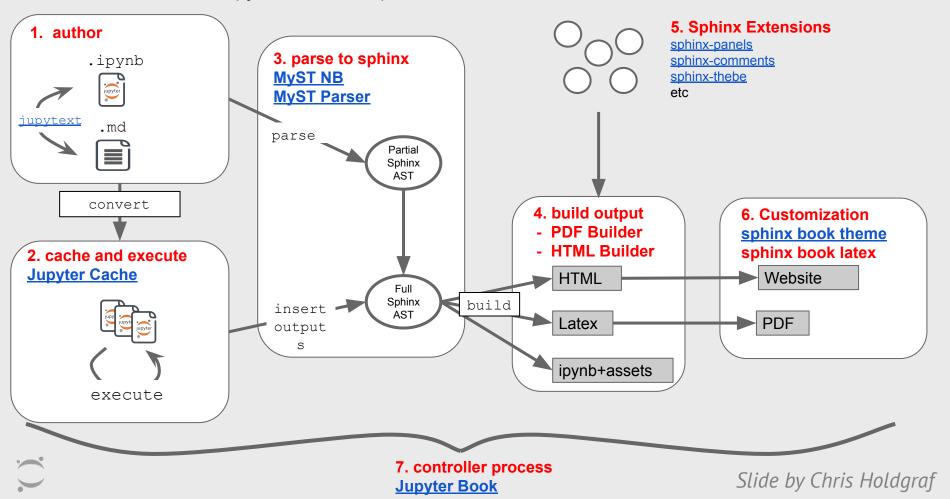


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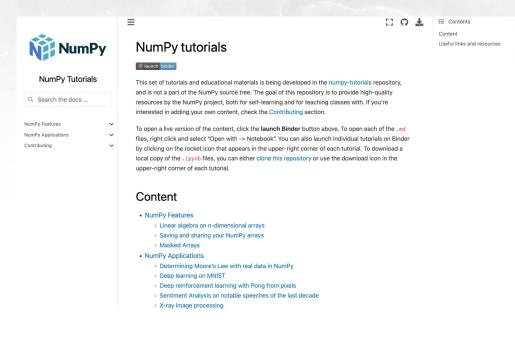
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#### An overview of the new Jupyter Book build process

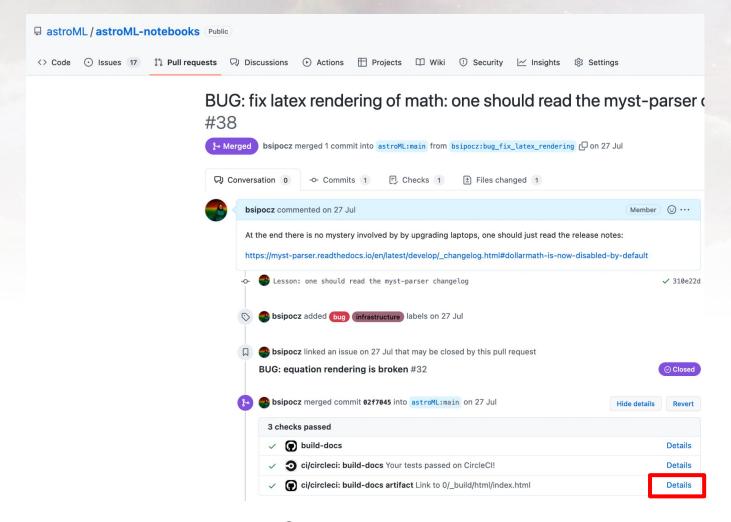


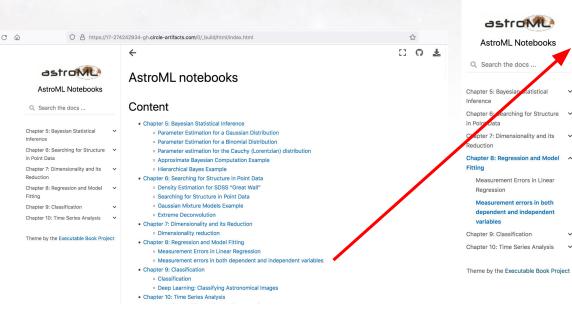
#### **Jupyter Book users**

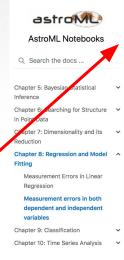
- The Turing Way Handbook to reproducible, ethical and collaborative data science.
- Core scientific Python
  - NumPy
  - Scikit-learn
  - NetworkX
- Astronomy resources
  - astroML
  - NAVO workshop
  - "Hello Universe" by MAST



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#### Measurement errors in both dependent and independent variables

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#### Data sets used in the examples below

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### **Next steps: community contributions**

- Collect notebooks showcasing astro machine learning examples beyond the book material
- Promote to apply this stack with automations instead of one-off renderings for other notebook-based project



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# **Continuous integration**

Running tests automatically for all proposed code changes.

- Goal: Catch problems as soon as possible.
- Test as widely as possible for the supported use cases
  - Operating systems
  - Supported version numbers
  - Development version of dependencies
  - Ecosystem wide integration tests

#### **CI services**

GitHub integrated services, work out of box, most common ones:

- Github Actions
  - Large marketplace for many types of actions
  - Run in the cloud, free of charge for open source repos
  - Possible to self-host for private repos
- CircleCl
  - Excellent artifact support

Easy to understand and use configuration



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## Plenty of astronomy source code exists but



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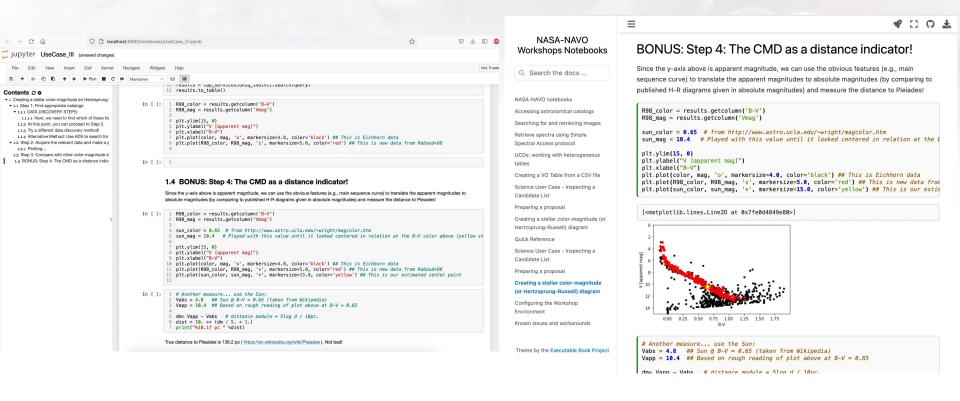
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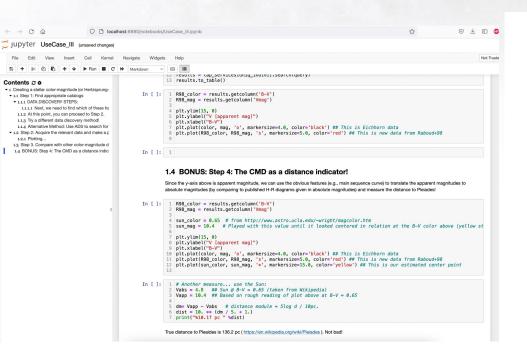
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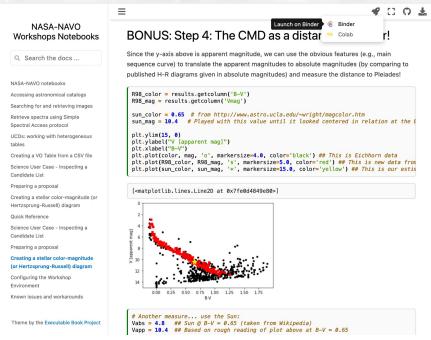
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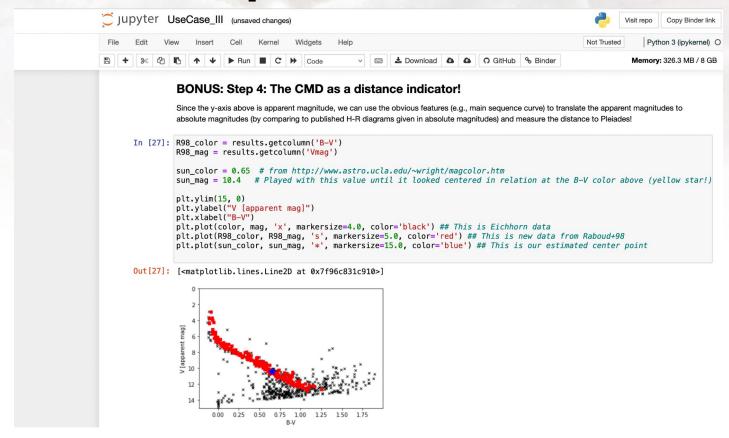


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#### Open development driving factor for community building

- Decisions are made in the open
- Implementation details are e.g. on GitHub
- Anyone can participate Feature implementation is driven by the timeline of individuals and institutions willing to do the work
- Most work done in *remote collaboration* (but important to have a few *face to face* meetings)



#### **Open source infrastructure**

#### **Detailed developer guides**

- Include developer tutorial, e.g.
  - how to report bugs (MWE)
  - a fully worked out PR example

#### Large number of checks on PRs

**Extensive CI testing** 

#### **Developer Documentation**

The developer documentation contains instructions for how to contribute to Astropy or affiliated packages, as well as coding, documentation, and testing guidelines. For the guiding vision of this process and the project as a whole, see Vision for a Common Astronomy Python Package.

- · How to make a code contribution
- · When to rebase and squash commits
- Coding Guidelines
- Writing Documentation
- Astropy Narrative Style Guide: A Writing Resource for Contributors
- Testing Guidelines
- Writing Command-Line Scripts
- · Building Astropy and its Subpackages
- C or Cython Extensions
- Release Procedures
- · Workflow for Maintainers
- How to create and maintain a Python package using the Astropy template
- Full Changelog

There are some additional tools, mostly of use for maintainers, in the astropy/astropy-procedures repository.

- including testing with development versions of upstream dependencies, e.g. Python, Numpy, Matplotlib
- Documentation build, and rendered version shared
- Bots checking for codestyle, milestone, changelog etc





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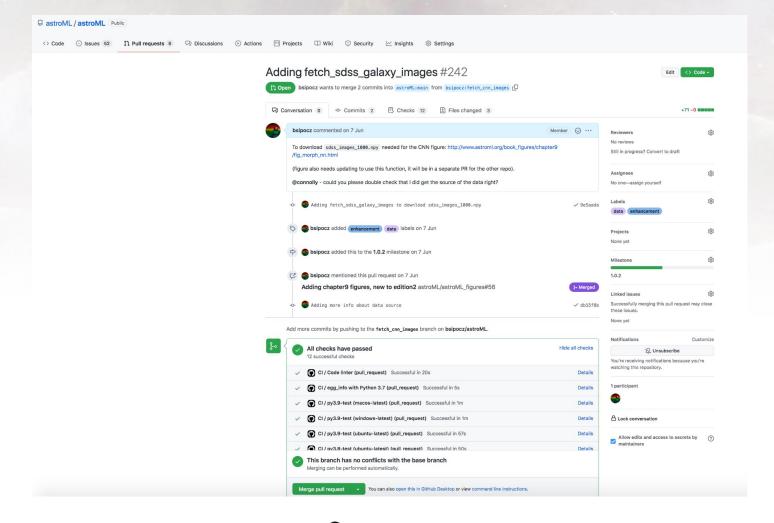
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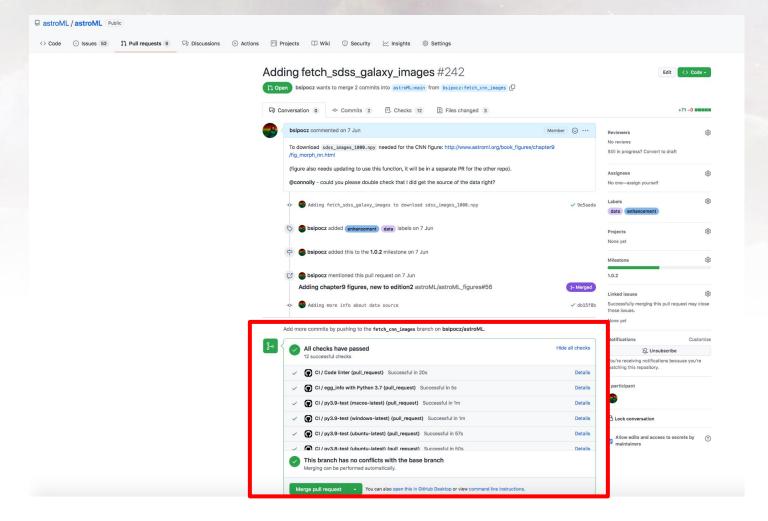
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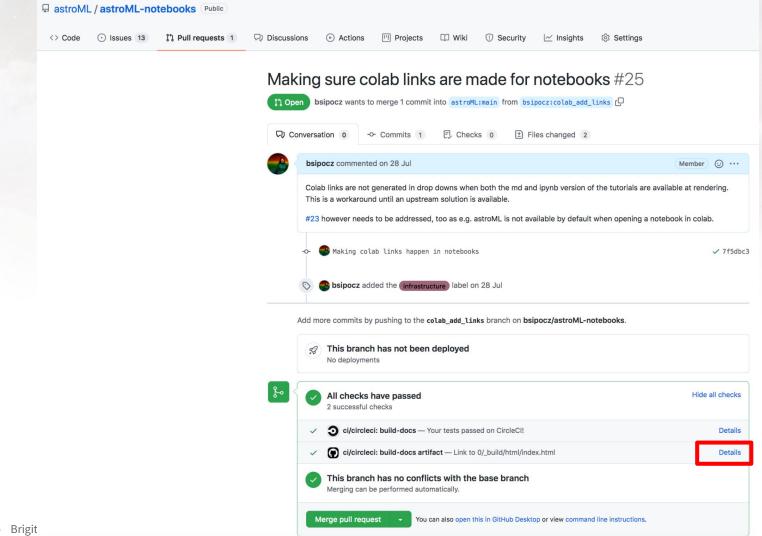
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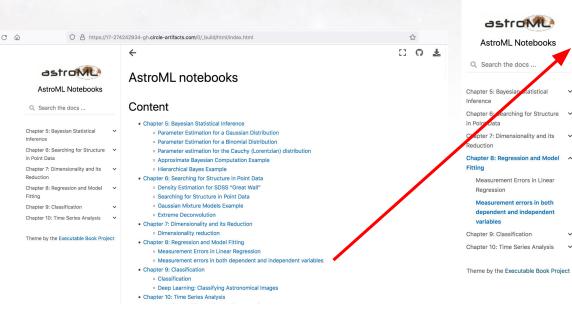
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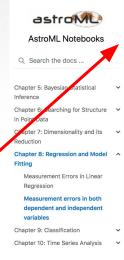
Indispensable especially for collaborative projects where developers are joining and leaving, and no single person is able to oversee all the details.











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#### CI services vs on premise

- Easier and/or practical especially user products:
  - standalone libraries
  - Jupyter notebooks
  - user and applications
- For larger, collaborative projects from code to book writing
- Endless possibilities and examples
- Serious caveat: it requires a containerized environment