

### Modules

Single Py Files Containing Python components you have defined (functions, variables, classes, etc.) Runnable code (scripts)

Can be: Executed (python my\_module.py)  
Imported from a shell or another file

### IMPORTING

When you import a module, a new name, 'bound' to the module, is created in the current scope:

```
from math import pow
x = pow(2, 3)
```

We can also import a specific function from the module, and so now we don't need to specify the module name

```
from math import *
x = pow(2, 3)
```

We could also achieve this by importing all objects in the module, but is creating namespace conflicts:

```
from math import *
x = pow(2, 3)
```

We can import a module under an alias to bind it to a name of our choice:

```
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
```

All runnable code in a module is executed at import.

### Modules (cont)

If you want it to be executed only when you run the file, use the following:

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
    print("This will be run only if the file is executed")
```

\_\_name\_\_ is a special built-in variable which will automatically be set to "\_\_main\_\_" if the source file is being executed as the main program, rather than being imported.

When importing, Python looks for the module with the same name in:

The built-in modules The directories defined in the sys.path list:

- The current working directory
- The PYTHONPATH list
- The default Python directory

You can access this list at runtime and append new paths to it manually:

```
import sys
sys.path.append("/path/to/add")
```

### Code to treat Jupyter notebooks as modules

```
import io, os, sys, types
import nbformat
from IPython import get_ipython
from IPython.core.interactiveshell import InteractiveShell
def find_notebook(fullname, path=None):
    """find a notebook, given its fully qualified name and an optional path
    This turns "foo.bar" into "foo/bar.ipynb"
```

### Code to treat Jupyter notebooks as modules (cont)

```
and tries turning "Foo_Bar" into "Foo Bar" if Foo_Bar does not exist.
"""
name = fullname.rsplit('.', 1)[-1]
if not path:
    path = []
for d in path:
    nb_path = os.path.join(d, name + ".ipynb")
    if os.path.isfile(nb_path):
        return nb_path
# let import Notebook_Name find "Notebook Name.ipynb"
nb_path = nb_path.replace("_", " ")
if os.path.isfile(nb_path):
    return nb_path
class NotebookLoader(object):
    """Module Loader for IPython Notebooks"""
    def __init__(self, path=None):
        self.shell = InteractiveShell.instance()
        self.path = path
    def load_module(self, fullname):
        """import a notebook as a module"""
        path = find_notebook(fullname, self.path)
        print ("importing notebook from %s" % path)
        # load the notebook object
        nb = nbformat.read(path, as_version=4)
        # create the module and add it to sys.modules
        # if name in sys.modules:
        # return sys.modules[name]
        mod = types.ModuleType(fullname)
        mod.__file__ = path
        mod.__loader__ = self
        mod.__dict__["_get_ipython"] = get_ipython
        sys.modules[fullname] = mod
```



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### Code to treat Jupyter notebooks as modules (cont)

```
# extra work to ensure that magics that
would affect the user_ns
# actually affect the notebook module's ns
save_user_ns = self.shell.user_ns
self.shell.user_ns = mod.__dict__
try:
for cell in nb.cells:
if cell.cell_type == 'code':
# transform the input to executable Python
code = self.shell.input_transformer_manager.transform_cell(cell.source)
# run the code in the module
exec(code, mod.__dict__)
finally:
self.shell.user_ns = save_user_ns
return mod
class NotebookFinder(object):
"""Module finder that locates IPython
Notebooks"""
def __init__(self):
self.loaders = {}
def find_module(self, fullname, path=None):
nb_path = find_notebook(fullname, path)
if not nb_path:
return
key = path
if path:
# lists aren't hashable
key = os.path.sep.join(path)
if key not in self.loaders:
self.loaders[key] = NotebookLoader(path)
return self.loaders[key]
sys.meta_path.append(NotebookFinder())
```

### Importing ipynb as modules

```
from NameOfModule      from math
import NameOfFunction  import pow2
```

### Packages

Packages are directories that contain modules and/or other packages. This can be a good way to group modules in a hierarchical directory structure.

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| __init__.py in a package will be executed at import. | Can be used to import nested modules at a higher level of hierarchy |
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When working with packages, it is recommended to assume code will be run from the top level and use absolute imports from there

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| Add an extra level of hierarchy and a setup.py file | To install run: pip install my_package/ (the / is important) |
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Once installed, you can import your module from Python, or run an executable in the shell if you've defined an entrypoint.



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