

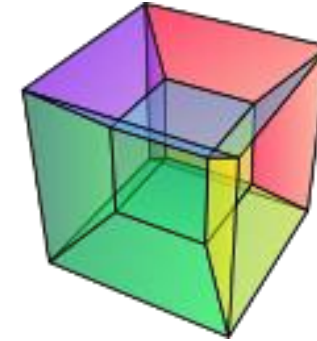
# HyperSpy Community & Github

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# Outline

- HyperSpy on the web
- What is Github? Why is it so popular?
- What makes the HyperSpy community?







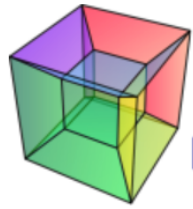
## 'Enhanced Data Generated by Electrons'

Following the very successful workshops at Lake Tahoe, Leukerbad, Port Ludlow, Guadeloupe, Grundlsee and Banff, the next international workshop on electron energy loss spectroscopy and imaging will be held in

**Sainte Maxime, France,**

- Francisco's talk on HyperSpy
  - Mostly about open source and scientific python community
  - NOT about the cool stuff that HyperSpy could already do at the time
- Open source **is not only** about opening the source code, but also about:
  - Accessibility to the users
  - Sustainable library development
  - Building a community





# HyperSpy

## multi-dimensional data analysis

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## HyperSpy: multi-dimensional data analysis toolbox

HyperSpy is an open source Python library which provides tools to facilitate the interactive data analysis of multi-dimensional datasets that can be described as multi-dimensional arrays of a given signal (e.g. a 2D array of spectra a.k.a spectrum image).

HyperSpy aims at making it easy and natural to apply analytical procedures that operate on an individual signal to multi-dimensional arrays, as well as providing easy access to analytical tools that exploit the multi-dimensionality of the dataset.

Its modular structure makes it easy to add features to analyze different kinds of signals.

## Highlights

- Two families of named and scaled axes: *signal* and *navigation*.
- Visualization tools for multi-dimensional spectra and images.
- Easy access multi-dimensional curve fitting and blind source separation.
- Built on top of NumPy, SciPy, matplotlib and scikit-learn.
- Modular design for easy extensibility.

The development has been motivated by the data analysis needs of the electron microscopy community but it is proving useful in many other fields.

<https://hyperspy.org>

## VERSIONS

### Stable

pypi v1.7.5

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### Development

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## SUPPORT

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[Gitter chat](#)

# HyperSpy Documentation / Community Support

- Main website:
  - <https://hyperspy.org/>
- Documentation:
  - <https://hyperspy.org/hyperspy-doc/current/index.html>
- Gitter: online chat room
  - <https://gitter.im/hyperspy/hyperspy>
- Users list:
  - <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/hyperspy-users>
  - Not very popular/used much anymore, using gitter is favourable

# HyperSpy demos

- Source code of the demo on github
  - <https://github.com/hyperspy/hyperspy-demos>
- Non-interactive version on **nbviewer**
  - <https://nbviewer.jupyter.org/github/hyperspy/hyperspy-demos/tree/master/>
  - Github now displays nicely the notebook, but works well for short notebook (loading fail otherwise)
- Interactive version on **mybinder.org**
  - <https://mybinder.org/v2/gh/hyperspy/hyperspy-demos/master>
  - Run demos online (on a remote server) without any installation
  - 1 CPU core, between 1 and 2 GB available memory
  - Shut down after 10 min inactivity

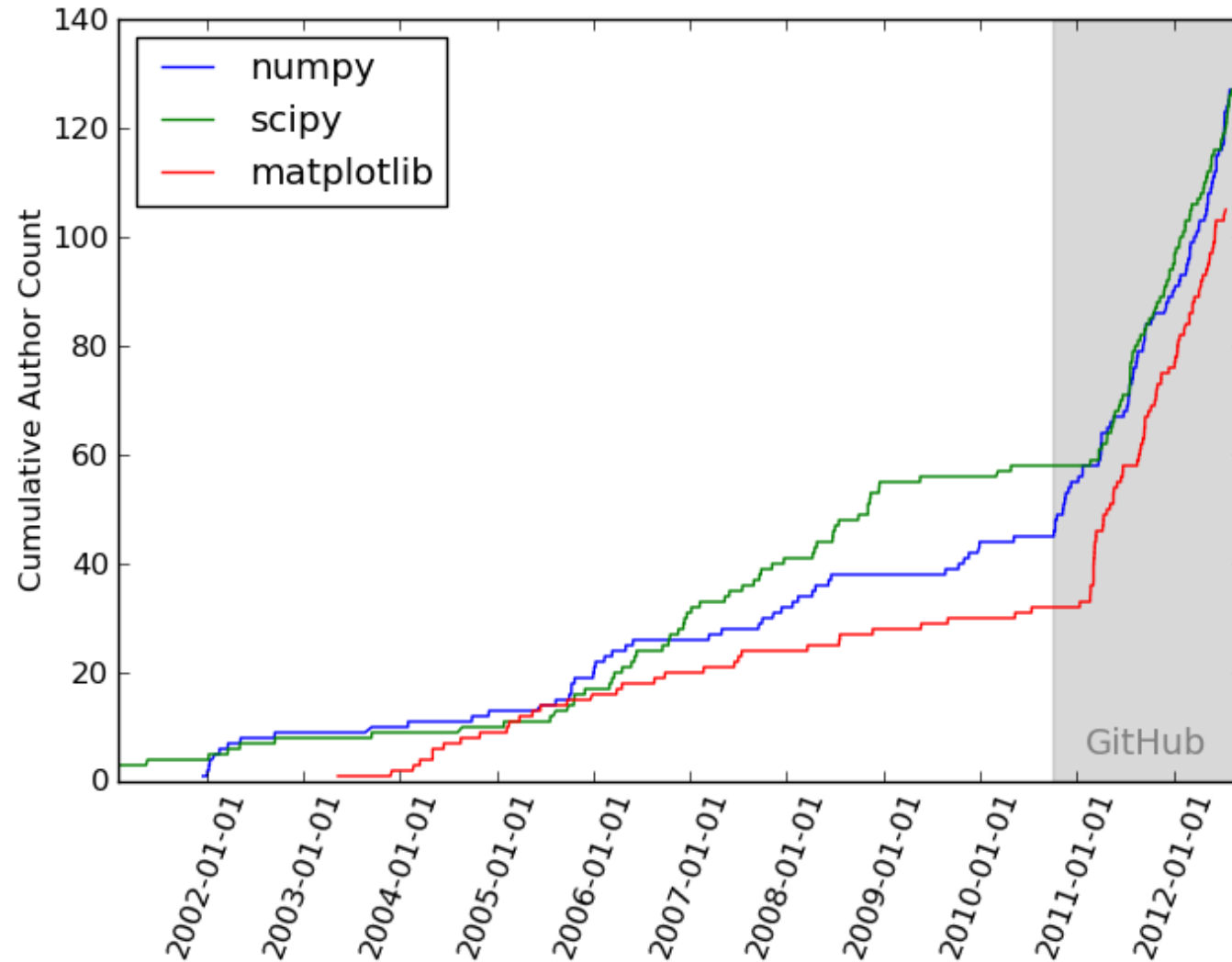
Since last month (April 2023), not working anymore because of lack of cloud resources, after Google sponsoring stops\*

\* <https://blog.jupyter.org/mybinder-org-reducing-capacity-c93ccfc6413f>

# HyperSpy Development

- Development site on Github
  - <https://github.com/hyperspy/hyperspy>
  - Issues tracker: report bug, propose new features and other business
  - Pull requests: discuss the merge of any changes with the upstream branches
- Developer guide
  - [http://hyperspy.readthedocs.io/en/stable/dev\\_guide.html](http://hyperspy.readthedocs.io/en/stable/dev_guide.html)

# The GitHub Effect



From Pythonic perambulations: Why Python is the last language you'll have to learn: <https://jakevdp.github.io/blog/2012/09/20/why-python-is-the-last/>



# What is GitHub

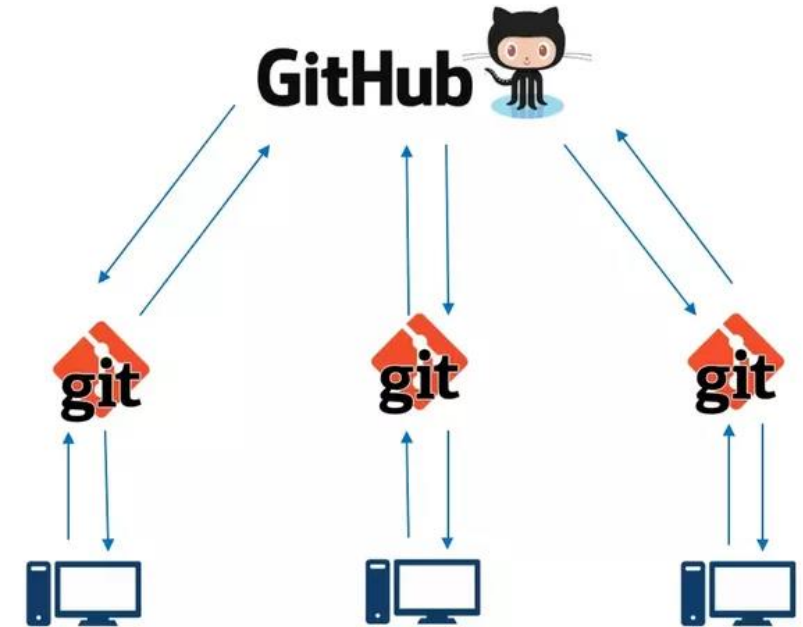


- At the heart of GitHub is **git**
  - A version control system: manages and stores revisions of projects
  - git is a **distributed version control** systems
    - Each contributor has is own *remote* (online) repository
    - Code is merged in the *upstream* repository

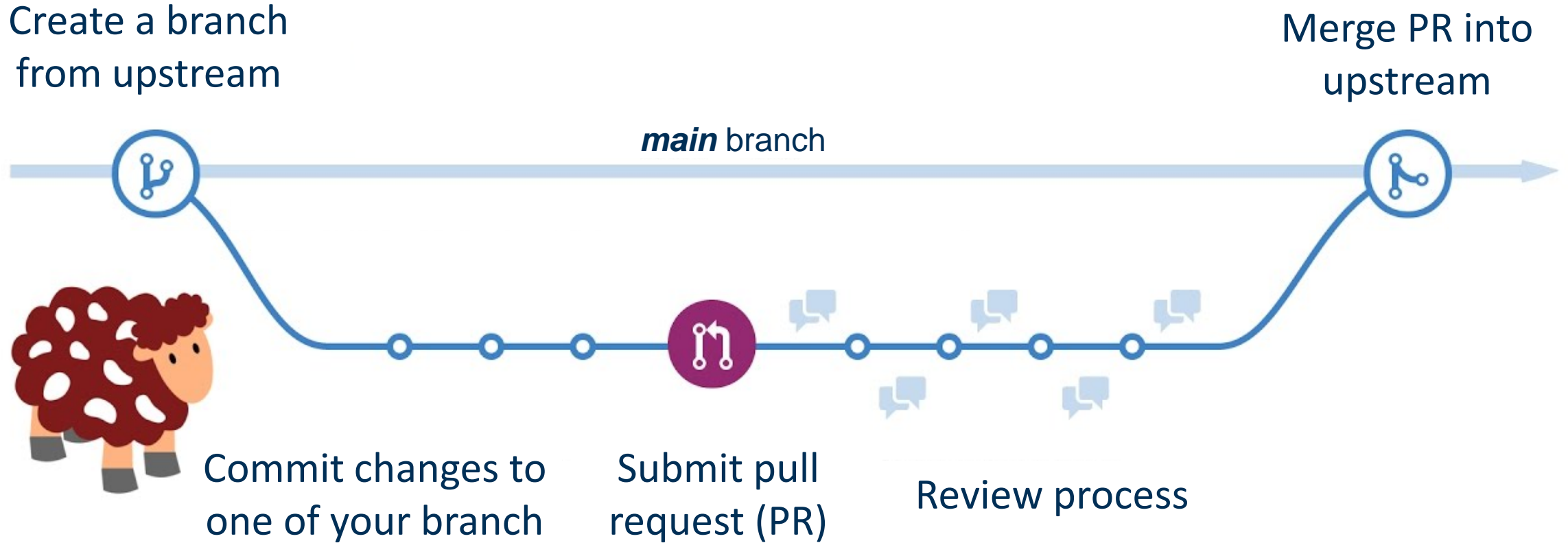


# What is GitHub

- GitHub is a git repository hosting service with its own features
  - Web-based graphical interface
  - provides a centralised place where people discuss the changes
  - “Social coding”
    - Open discussion in the issue tracker
    - Open “pull request” to propose changes

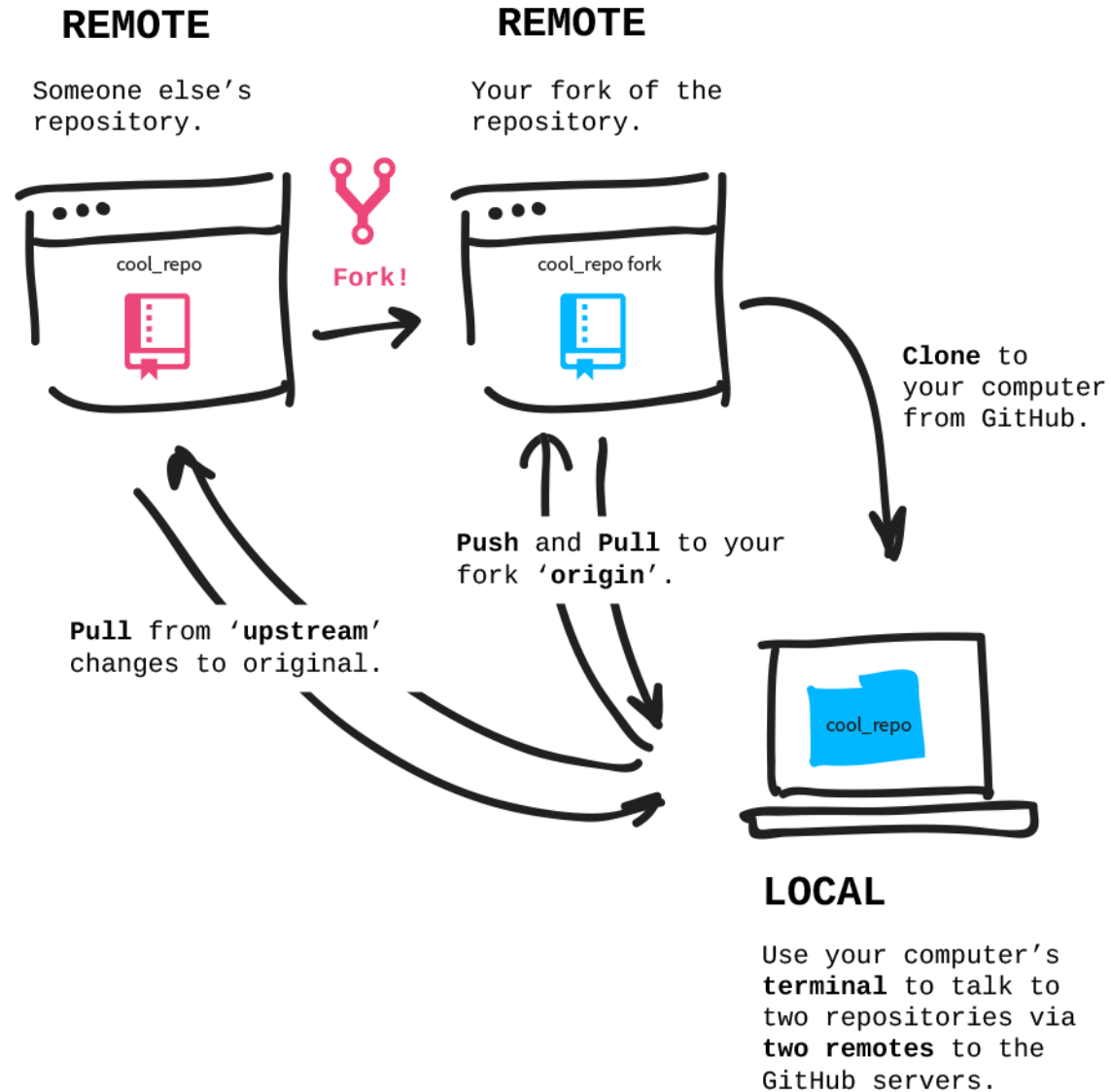


# GitHub Workflow



# GitHub Workflow

git is a **distributed**  
**version control** systems





# Contribute to an Open-Source Project Before Git / GitHub

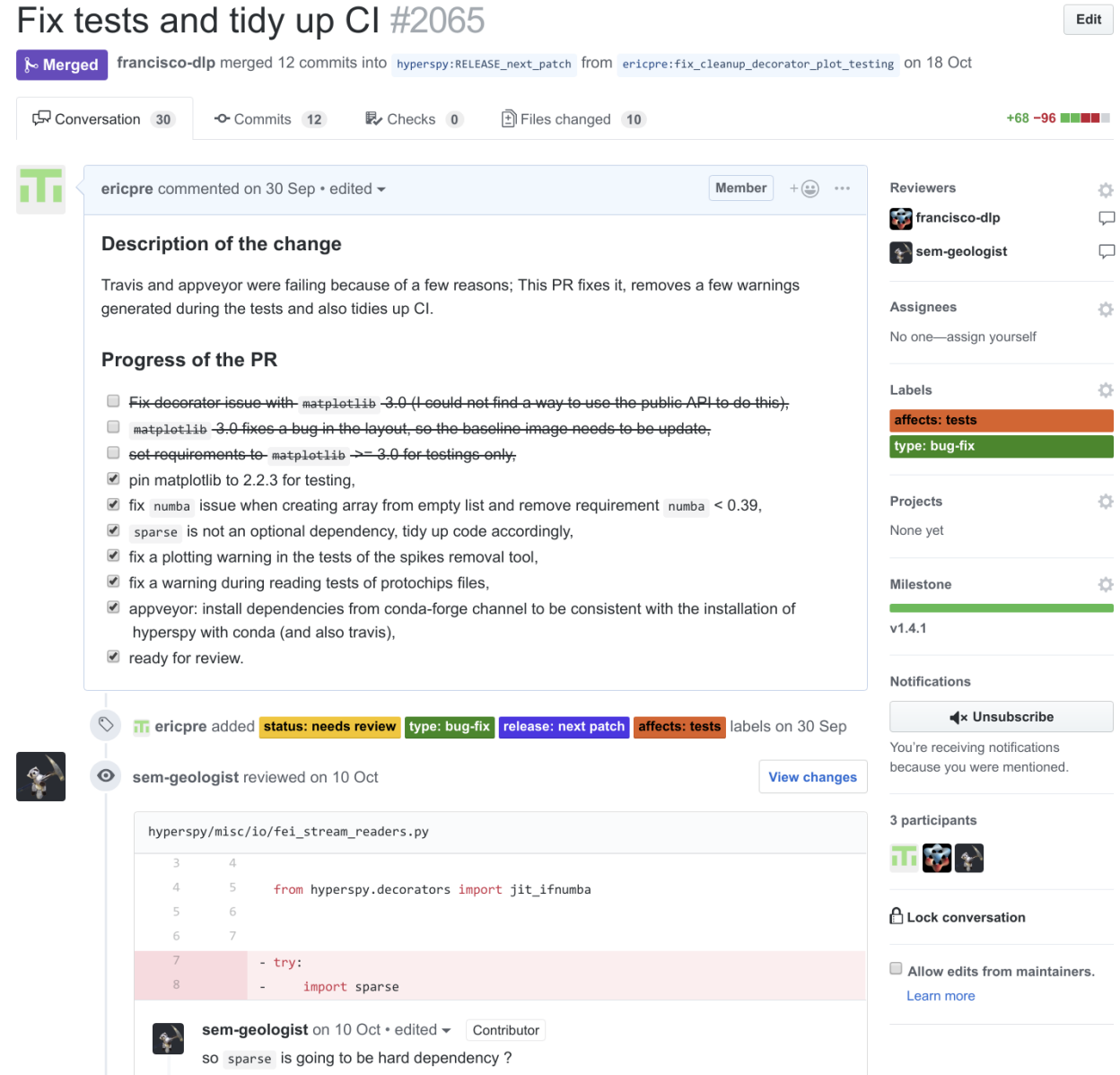
1. Manually download the project's source code
2. Make your changes locally
3. Create a list of changes called a 'patch' and then e-mail the patch to the project's maintainer
  - Patches are not easily to read...
4. The maintainer would then have to evaluate this patch, possibly sent by a total stranger and decide whether to merge the changes.

Tedious and not manageable

# Why is GitHub so useful / popular?

GitHub platform makes collaboration easier

- Share code with other developers
- Manage issues
- Manage pull request
  - Code comparison
  - Review
- Maintain code
  - Continuous integration
  - Third-party integration



Fix tests and tidy up CI #2065

Merged francisco-dlp merged 12 commits into hyperspy:RELEASE\_next\_patch from ericpre:fix\_cleanup\_decorator\_plot\_testing on 18 Oct

Conversation 30 Commits 12 Checks 0 Files changed 10 +68 -96

ericpre commented on 30 Sep • edited

**Description of the change**

Travis and appveyor were failing because of a few reasons; This PR fixes it, removes a few warnings generated during the tests and also tidies up CI.

**Progress of the PR**

- Fix decorator issue with matplotlib 3.0 (I could not find a way to use the public API to do this),
- matplotlib 3.0 fixes a bug in the layout, so the baseline image needs to be update,
- set requirements to matplotlib >= 3.0 for testing only,
- pin matplotlib to 2.2.3 for testing,
- fix numba issue when creating array from empty list and remove requirement numba < 0.39,
- sparse is not an optional dependency, tidy up code accordingly,
- fix a plotting warning in the tests of the spikes removal tool,
- fix a warning during reading tests of protochips files,
- appveyor: install dependencies from conda-forge channel to be consistent with the installation of hyperspy with conda (and also travis),
- ready for review.

ericpre added status: needs review type: bug-fix release: next patch affects: tests labels on 30 Sep

sem-geologist reviewed on 10 Oct

```
hyperspy/misc/io/fei_stream_readers.py
3 4
4 5 from hyperspy.decorators import jit_ifnumba
5 6
6 7
7 - try:
8 - import sparse
```

sem-geologist on 10 Oct • edited Contributor

so sparse is going to be hard dependency ?

**Reviewers**

- francisco-dlp
- sem-geologist

**Assignees**

No one—assign yourself

**Labels**

- affects: tests
- type: bug-fix

**Projects**

None yet

**Milestone**

v1.4.1

**Notifications**

Unsubscribe

You're receiving notifications because you were mentioned.

**3 participants**

ericpre francisco-dlp sem-geologist

**Lock conversation**

Allow edits from maintainers. [Learn more](#)

# Why is GitHub so useful / popular?

<pre>41 - DEPS: "numpy scipy matplotlib ipython h5py sympy scikit-learn dill setuptools natsort scikit-image cython ipyparallel dask numexpr" 42 43 44</pre>	<pre>41 + DEPS: "numpy scipy matplotlib=2.2.3 ipython h5py sympy scikit-learn dill setuptools natsort scikit-image cython ipyparallel dask numexpr sparse numba" 42 43 44</pre>
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Review and discuss changes during pull request (PR) review

**francisco-dlp** on 18 Oct Member

Why should we use conda-forge to install all the deps? In a standard installation most people will have downloaded the full anaconda (vs miniconda here), hence most of the dependencies would be already installed and coming from the standard anaconda repos.

**ericpre** on 18 Oct Member

This was part of removing the "test" optional dependency installation, so this should be removed now but pytest-cov still need to be installed.

**francisco-dlp** on 18 Oct Member

My point was more about why conda-forge instead of the standard anaconda repository.

**ericpre** on 18 Oct Member

pytest-mpl is not in defaults.

**francisco-dlp** on 18 Oct Member

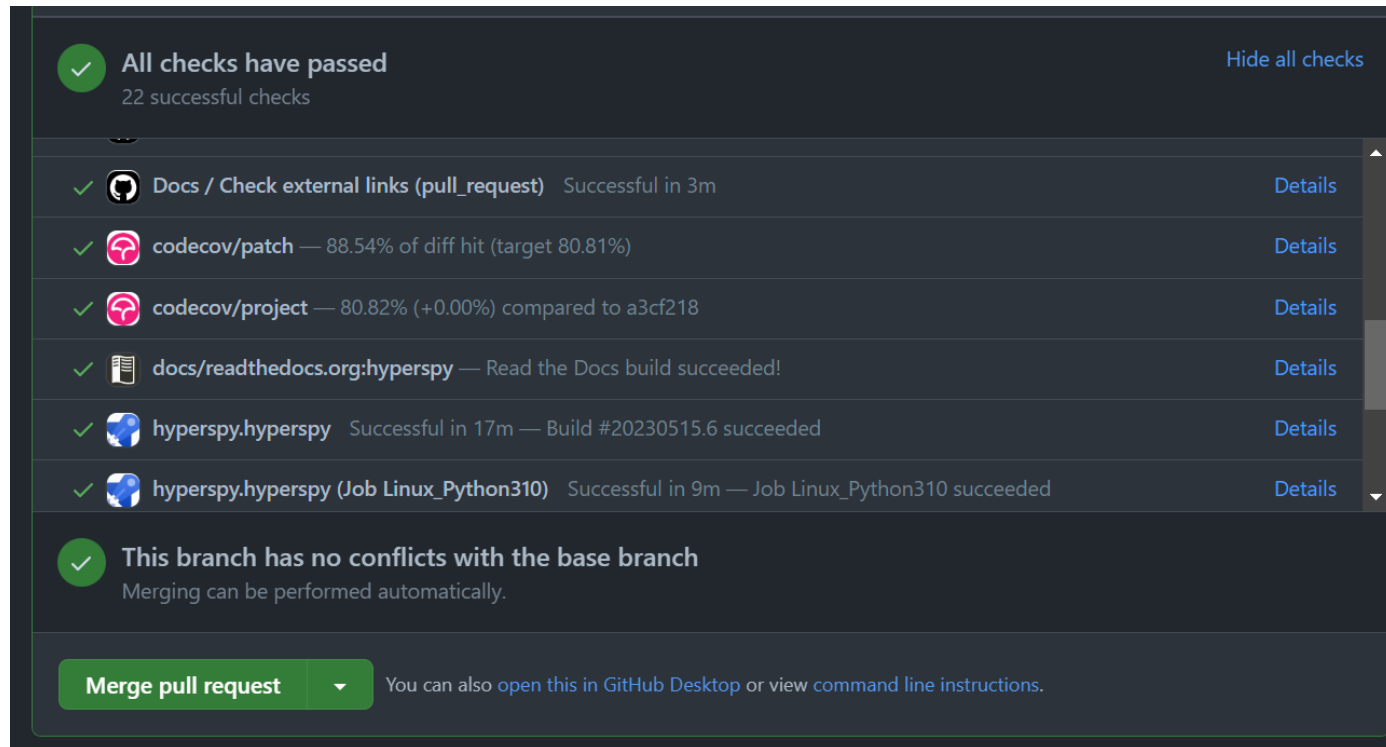
OK

Reply...

Resolve conversation

# Why is GitHub so useful / popular?

- Continuous integration
  - For each PR, the code is tested automatically against a suite of tests using external services (Github Actions, Azure Pipelines, documentation links, code formatting, code coverage, etc.)
  - ~5386 *unit tests* continuously checking that no regression is introduced by new changes



The screenshot shows a GitHub pull request interface with the following elements:

- Summary:** A green checkmark icon followed by the text "All checks have passed" and "22 successful checks". A "Hide all checks" link is visible on the right.
- Check List:**
  - Docs / Check external links (pull\_request) Successful in 3m [Details]
  - codecov/patch — 88.54% of diff hit (target 80.81%) [Details]
  - codecov/project — 80.82% (+0.00%) compared to a3cf218 [Details]
  - docs/readthedocs.org:hyperspy — Read the Docs build succeeded! [Details]
  - hyperspy.hyperspy Successful in 17m — Build #20230515.6 succeeded [Details]
  - hyperspy.hyperspy (Job Linux\_Python310) Successful in 9m — Job Linux\_Python310 succeeded [Details]
- Conflict Status:** A green checkmark icon followed by the text "This branch has no conflicts with the base branch" and "Merging can be performed automatically."
- Action Bar:** A green button labeled "Merge pull request" with a dropdown arrow, followed by the text "You can also open this in GitHub Desktop or view command line instructions."



# Contributing

## DEVELOPER GUIDE

### Introduction

Getting started

1. Start using HyperSpy and understand it

2. Got a problem? – ask!

**3. Contribute – yes you can!**

4. Contributing code

Using Git and GitHub

Running and writing tests

Writing documentation

Coding style

Tips for writing methods that work on lazy signals

Speeding up code

Writing packages that extend HyperSpy

Useful information


## API REFERENCES

hyperspy

## CREDITS AND CITATION

Credits

Citing HyperSpy

 Read the Docs

v: stable ▾

## 3. Contribute – yes you can!

You don't need to be a professional programmer to contribute to HyperSpy. Indeed, there are many ways to contribute:

1. Just by asking a question in our [Gitter chat room](#) instead of sending a private email to the developers you are contributing to HyperSpy. Once you get more familiar with HyperSpy, it will be awesome if you could help others with their questions.
2. Issues reported in the [issues tracker](#) are precious contributions.
3. [Pull request](#) reviews are essential for the sustainability of open development software projects and HyperSpy is no exception. Therefore, reviews are highly appreciated. While you may need a good familiarity with the HyperSpy code base to review complex contributions, you can start by reviewing simpler ones such as documentation contributions or simple bug fixes.
4. Last but not least, you can contribute code in the form of documentation, bug fixes, enhancements or new features. That is the main topic of the rest of this guide.

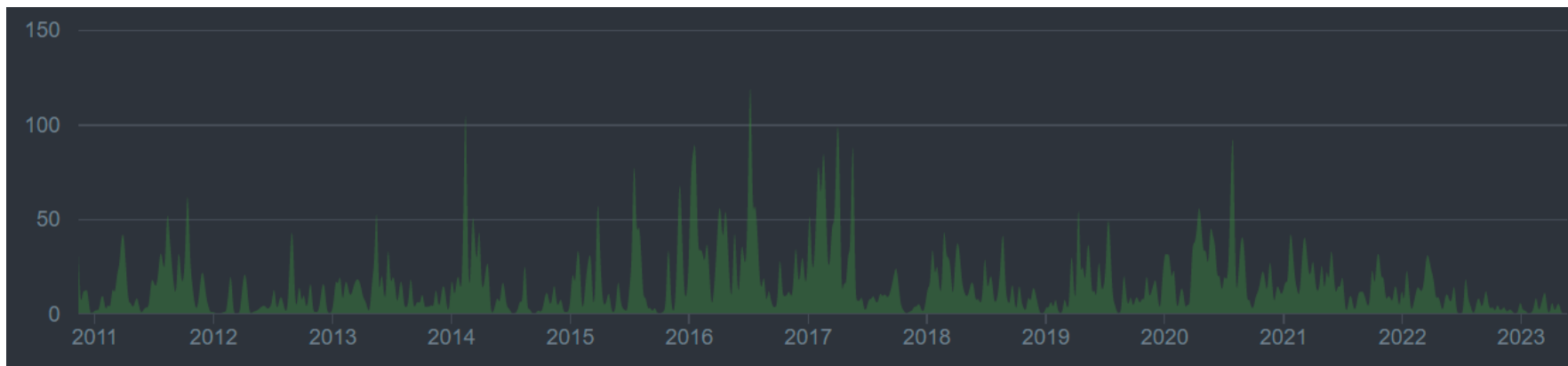
## 4. Contributing code

You may have a very clear idea of what you want to contribute, but if you're not sure where to start, you can always look through the issues and pull requests on the [GitHub Page](#). You'll find that there are many known areas for development in the issues and a number of pull-requests are partially finished projects just sitting there waiting for a keen new contributor to come and learn by finishing.

# HyperSpy Community

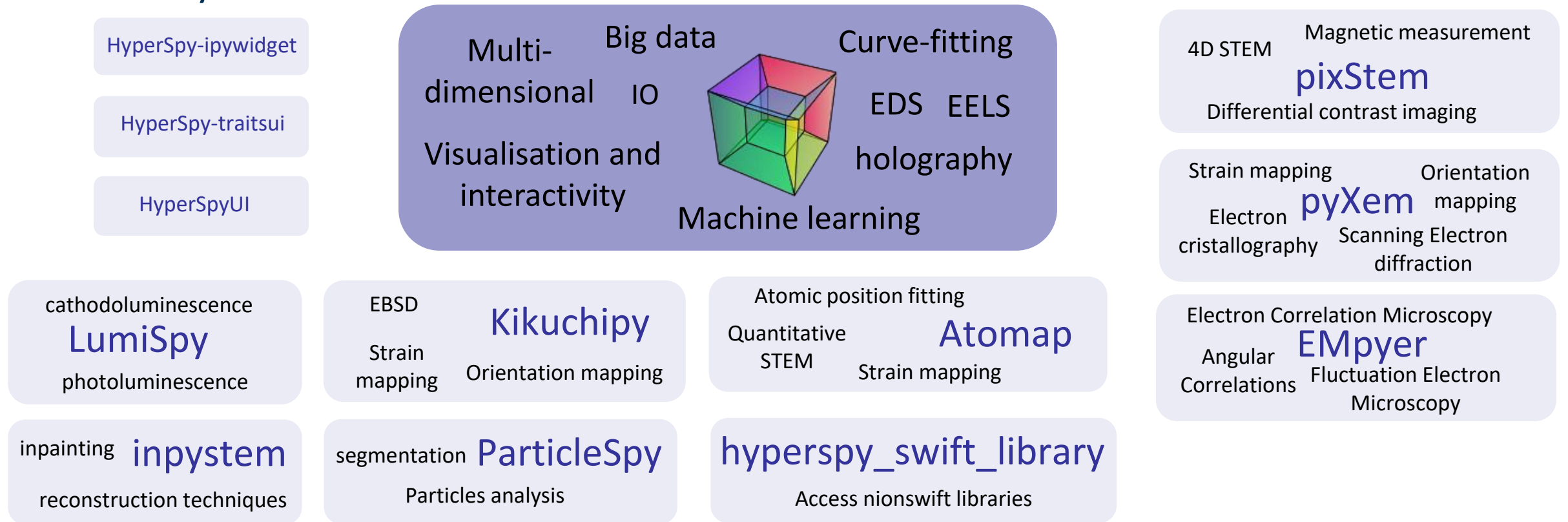
- Code contributors
  - ~62 contributors in total from many different labs
  - A few contributors change jobs
    - Their github profile may have been useful for their successful application
  - ~ 20 of them are a one off contribution
- Many more people following the gitter chat
  - Bug report, user feedback, feature requests, etc.

Number of  
commits  
over time



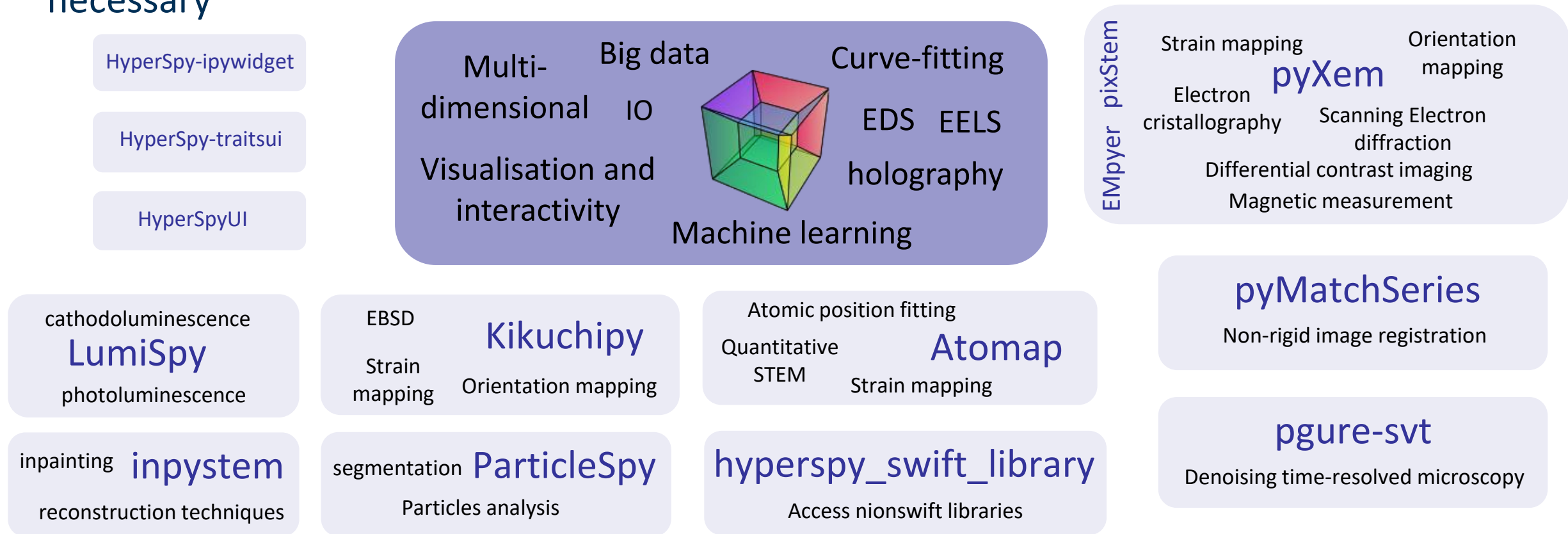
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- Extension registration: other libraries can create their **domain specific signal class** and core functionalities of HyperSpy will be able to create instance of these class when necessary



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# HyperSpy 2.0: Coming Soon

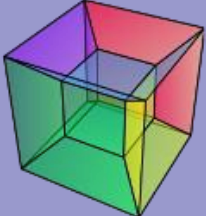
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HyperSpy-ipywidget

HyperSpy-traitsui

HyperSpyUI

Multi-dimensional  
Machine learning  
Visualisation and interactivity  
Curve-fitting  
Big data



RosettaSciIO

EELS

EDS

Holography

EMpyer  
pixStem

Strain mapping  
Orientation mapping  
Electron  
pyXem  
cristallography  
Scanning Electron diffraction  
Differential contrast imaging  
Magnetic measurement

cathodoluminescence  
LumiSpy  
photoluminescence

EBSD  
Strain mapping  
Orientation mapping  
Kikuchipy

Atomic position fitting  
Quantitative STEM  
Strain mapping  
Atomap

pyMatchSeries  
Non-rigid image registration

inpainting  
inpystem  
reconstruction techniques

segmentation  
ParticleSpy  
Particles analysis

hyperspy\_swift\_library  
Access nionswift libraries

pgure-svt  
Denoising time-resolved microscopy

# RosettaSciIO

- Target audience:
  - Developer of python libraries
  - No dependence on HyperSpy
- End user will continue to open/save data through HyperSpy as before
- Share IO code beyond the HyperSpy community
- API
  - Existing API stable
  - Experimental API to provide additional IO functionalities expected to be unstable
- Packaging being finalised

The **Rosetta Scientific Input Output library** aims at providing easy reading and writing capabilities in Python for a wide range of [scientific data formats](#). Thus providing an entry point to the wide ecosystem of python packages for scientific data analysis and computation, as well as an interoperability between different file formats. Just as the [Rosetta stone](#) provided a translation between ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs and ancient Greek. The RosettaSciIO library originates from the [HyperSpy](#) project for multi-dimensional data analysis. As HyperSpy is rooted in the electron microscopy community, data formats used by this community are still particularly well represented.

RosettaSciIO provides the dataset, its axes and related metadata contained in a file in a python dictionary that can be easily handled by other libraries. Similarly, it takes a dictionary as input for file writers.

## Note

RosettaSciIO has recently been split out of the [HyperSpy repository](#) and the new API is still under development. HyperSpy will use the RosettaSciIO IO-plugins from v2.0. It is already possible to import the readers directly from RosettaSciIO as follows:

```
from rsciio import msa
msa.file_reader("your_msa_file.msa")
```

# Python libraries for 4D STEM data analysis

- pyXem
- pixstem
- EMpyer
- py4DSTEM
- pycroscopy
- stemtools
- Various nionswift plugins
- LiberTEM
- ...

Merged

All these open source libraries are doing **very similarly things**

Optimised for high throughput on small computer clusters

# What's Make HyperSpy Today

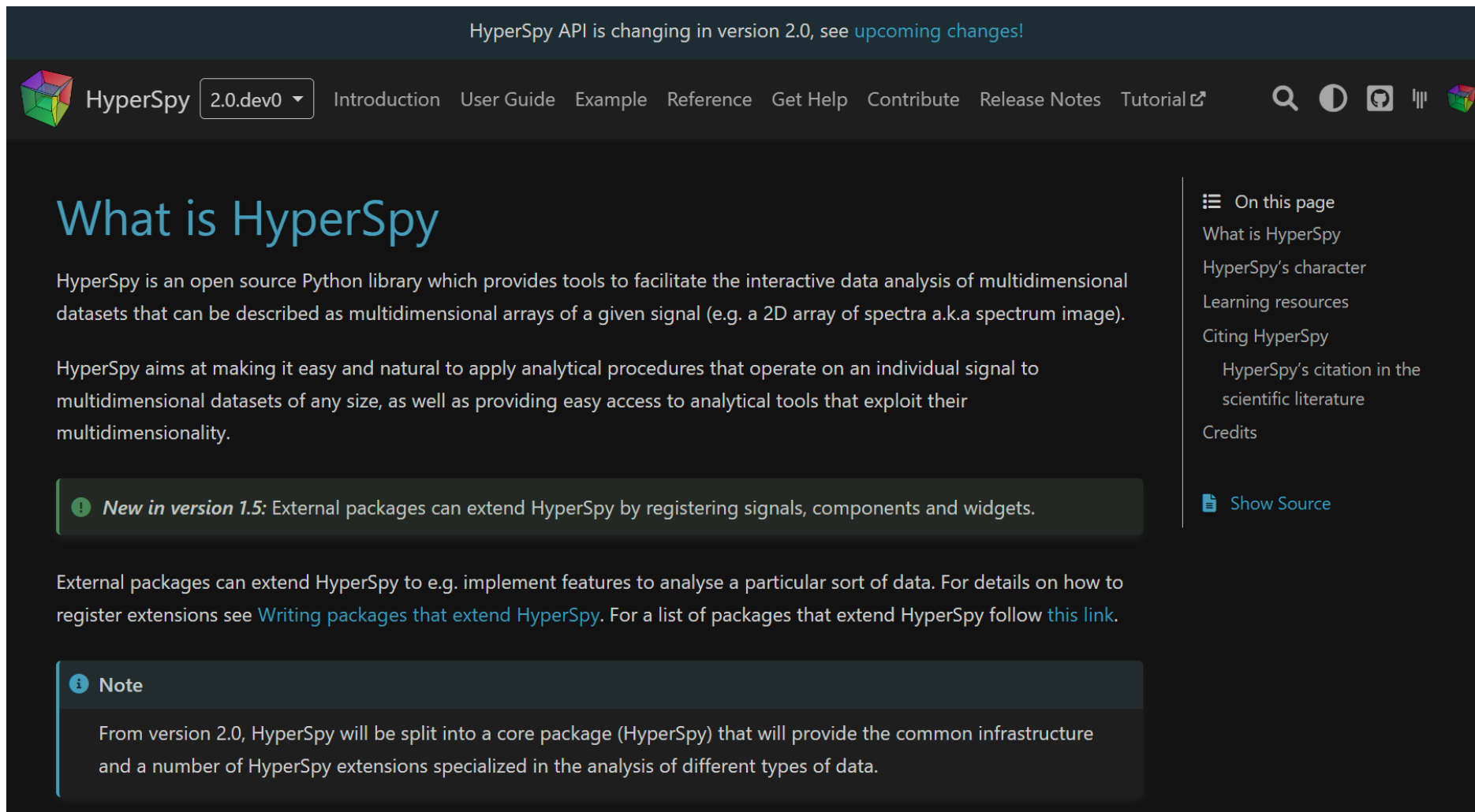
- Eco-system provides state-of-the data analysis capabilities
- Use tools and development practises which have proven to be successful for open source project
  - HyperSpy is supported by its own community
  - HyperSpy doesn't rely on a specific research group/institution
- Peer-reviewed and open-source development
- HyperSpy is a mature library
  - Stable API: deprecation cycle
  - API break only on major release
- HyperSpy can be integrated easily in other software
  - Framework for the development of other libraries
  - Integration testing of the eco-system

Community lead  
development

## HyperSpy 2.0

- Domain specific functionalities split into extensions
- Improve modularity
- Independent development of extensions
- Easier, faster implementation of new features in extensions

# Documentation Improvement



HyperSpy API is changing in version 2.0, see [upcoming changes!](#)

HyperSpy 2.0.dev0 ▾ Introduction User Guide Example Reference Get Help Contribute Release Notes Tutorial ↗

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**New in version 1.5:** External packages can extend HyperSpy by registering signals, components and widgets.

External packages can extend HyperSpy to e.g. implement features to analyse a particular sort of data. For details on how to register extensions see [Writing packages that extend HyperSpy](#). For a list of packages that extend HyperSpy follow [this link](#).

**Note**

From version 2.0, HyperSpy will be split into a core package (HyperSpy) that will provide the common infrastructure and a number of HyperSpy extensions specialized in the analysis of different types of data.

- On this page
- What is HyperSpy
- HyperSpy's character
- Learning resources
- Citing HyperSpy
  - HyperSpy's citation in the scientific literature
- Credits

Show Source

# Documentation Improvement

## Learning resources

### Getting Started

New to HyperSpy or Python? The getting started guide provides an introduction on basic usage of HyperSpy and how to install it.

### User Guide

The user guide provides in-depth information on key concepts of HyperSpy and how to use it along with background information and explanations.

### Reference

Documentation of the metadata specification and of the Application Programming Interface (API), which describe how HyperSpy functions work and which parameters can be used.

### Example

Short examples illustrating simple tasks.

### Tutorials

Tutorials in form of Jupyter Notebooks to learn how to process multi-dimensional data using HyperSpy.

### Contributing

HyperSpy is a community project maintained for and by its users. There are many ways you can help!



# Achievement of HyperSpy and its Community

- HyperSpy managed to built a distributed community of users/contributor
  - Led by its own contributors
  - Decision based on contributors consensus
- Motivate (at least not discourage) users
  - Pay attention to users feedback
  - From user to contributor: make the learning curve easier
- What are contributors doing?
  - Contribution to user guide, tutorials and online discussion
  - Code writing and/or code review

Change in how open-source tools is perceived:

- Users doesn't need to be convinced to use open-source tools anymore
- Instrumentation suppliers engage with open source community

# As an Individual is it Worth Contributing to HyperSpy?

- HyperSpy acknowledgement through zenodo DOI
  - One DOI for each release (important for reproducibility)
  - New contributors will be acknowledged
- Very good training
  - There is a lot to learn when contributing to open source project
- Contribution to HyperSpy (or any other library) can be useful for career development
  - Github profile can be used as linkedin, etc.
  - Recognition by the community

# As a group/organisation/company, why supporting HyperSpy?

- As PI/group leader
  - PI are not acknowledged but they can benefit a lot from the expertise gained through HyperSpy
  - Fairly useful “training” for post-doc/student
  - Remove dependence on expansive license for software or plugins
  - Improve reproducibility
- Companies, conflict of interest?!
  - Some companies start to show interest in open source
  - Still a bit difficult: paradigm shift required
  - Customers are pushing enough to convince companies
  - Extend data processing capabilities of their software
  - By being compatible with open source software, companies can offer solution there could not afford otherwise