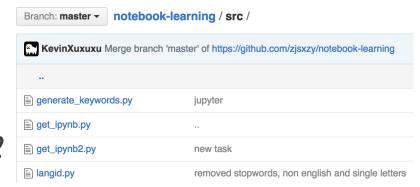
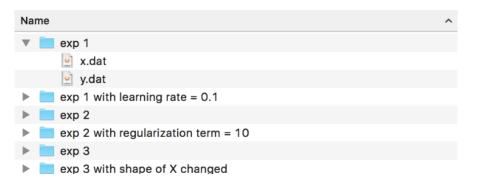
Datalab: A Version Data Management And Analytics System

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Overview

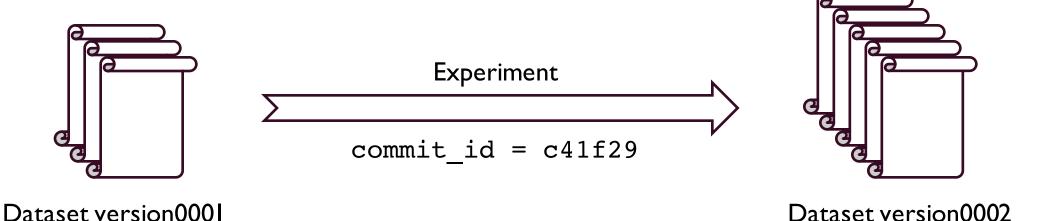
- Problem: how do we manage code and data with versions?
 - Code version control, e.g. GitHub
 - Data version control, e.g. DataHub^[1]
- But how to combine them in a coherent system?





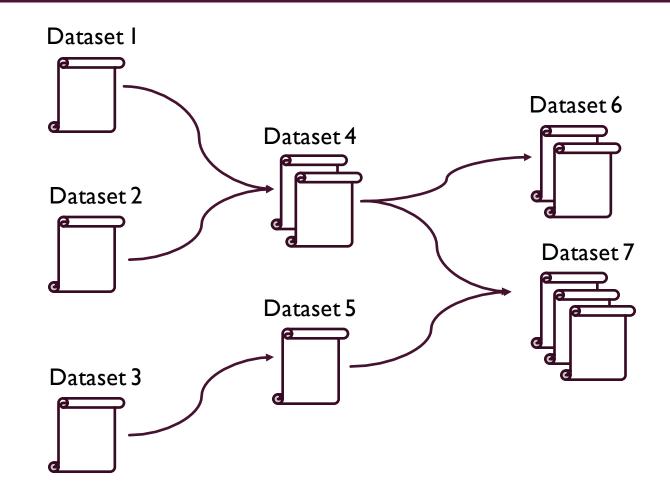
Our Solution

- Version control combining codes and datasets.
- Datasets are generated by execution of codes.
- Two data versions are connected by a code version.

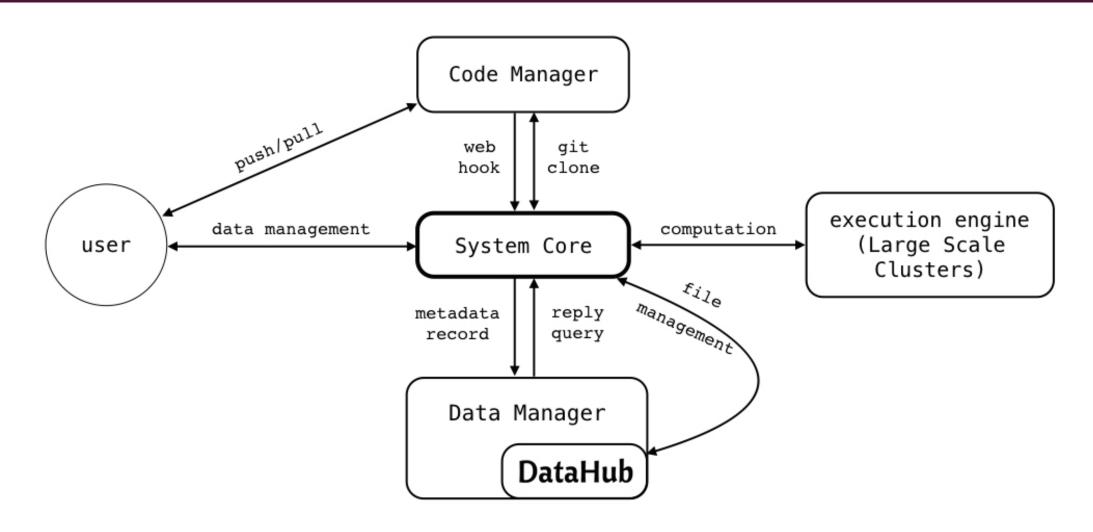


Data Work Flow (DWF)

- Pairs of data versions make up a data work flow (DWF)
- Reconstruct a dataset by re-executing the version of code that generates it

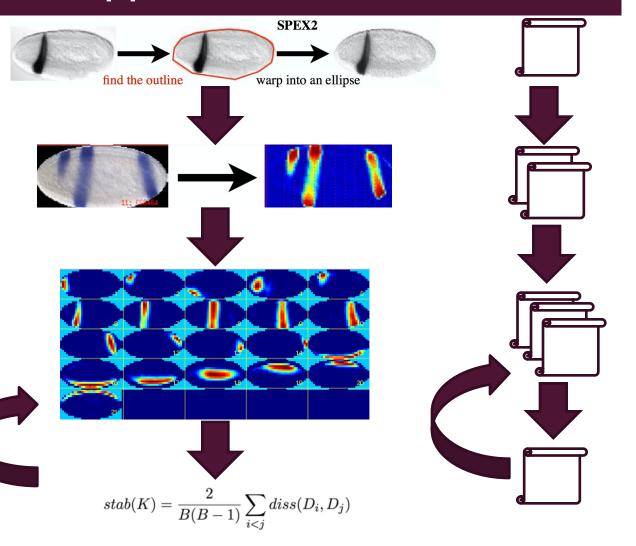


System Architecture



Case Study -- A Biological Data Application

- Goal: find the best K principle patterns
- Procedure:
 - Data preprocessing
 - Feature extraction
 - Non-negative matrix factorization
 - Evaluate K by a stability function
 - Repeat until find the best parameter

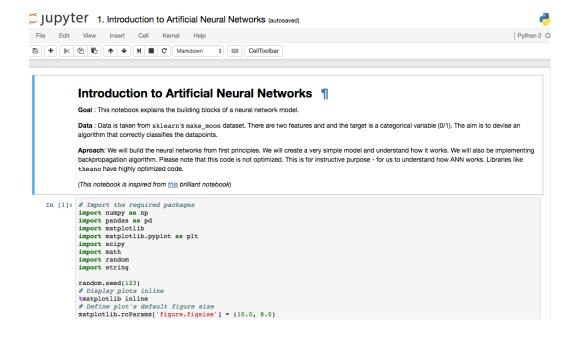


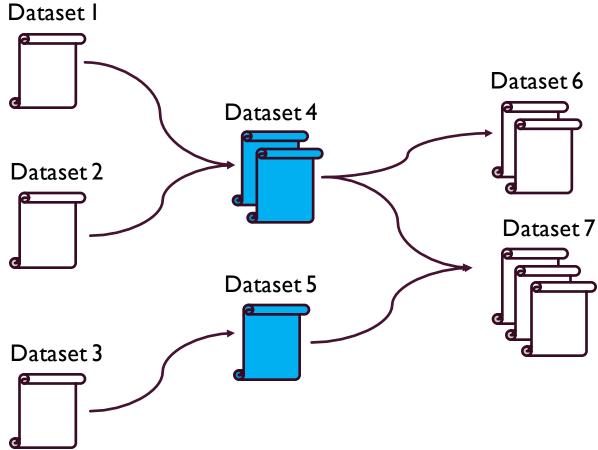
Core APIs

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name	functionality	input	output
create	create a project	dataset name	null
inspect	list metadata of a dataset	dataset name	spreadsheet
upload	upload a dataset to a project	file or directory name	null
import	import a dataset to the system	file or directory name	null
merge	merge two dataset into one	two dataset names	null
diff	check out the difference between two datasets	two dataset names	spreadsheet of difference
submit	push codes to system and automatically execute	commit ID	null

Future Work

- Dataset caching
- Online development environment
- Multi-level of interfaces





Conclusions

- We combine data and code version control
- We propose data work flow
- We improve the efficiency of a data science procedure