

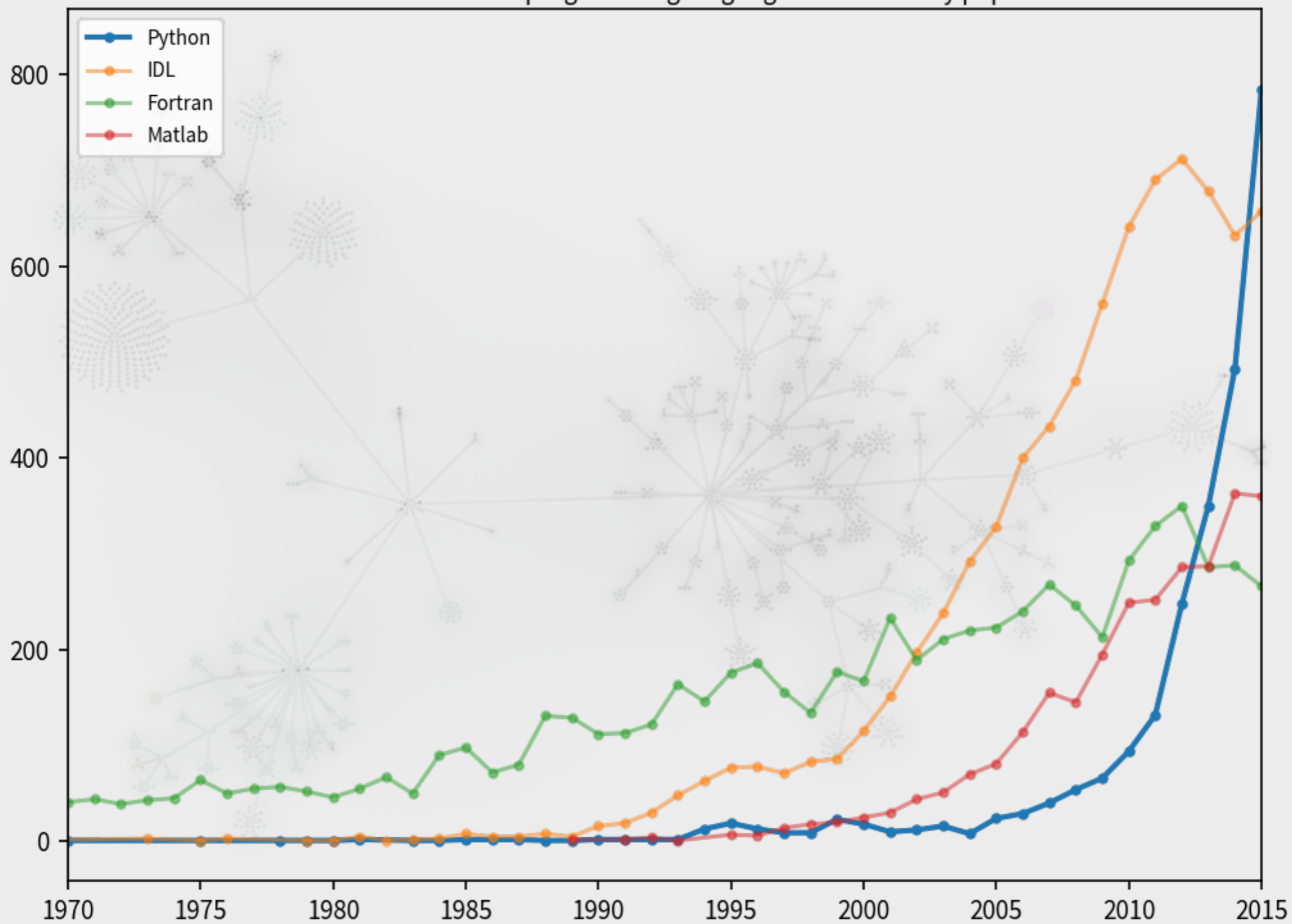
The rise of Python and the open-development

Revolution **n** **in Astronomy**

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Freelance | The Astropy Project

Full text mentions of programming languages in Astronomy papers



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Software Use in Astronomy: an Informal Survey

Momcheva & Tollerud, 2015

67% of Astronomers use Python

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.03989>



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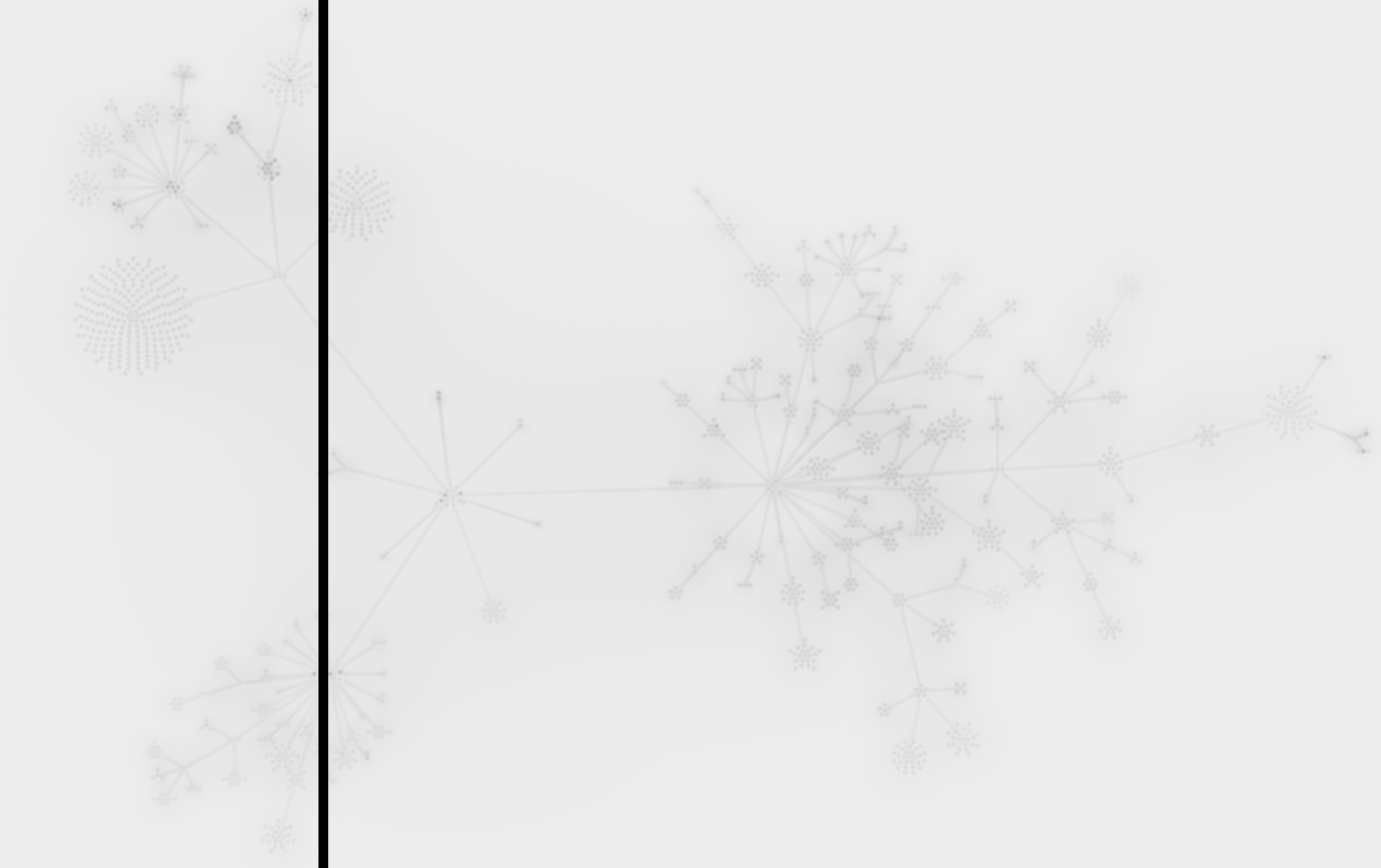
openly developed software

in Astronomy, in particular **grassroots** projects

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Examples: CASA, IRAF, DS9, etc.

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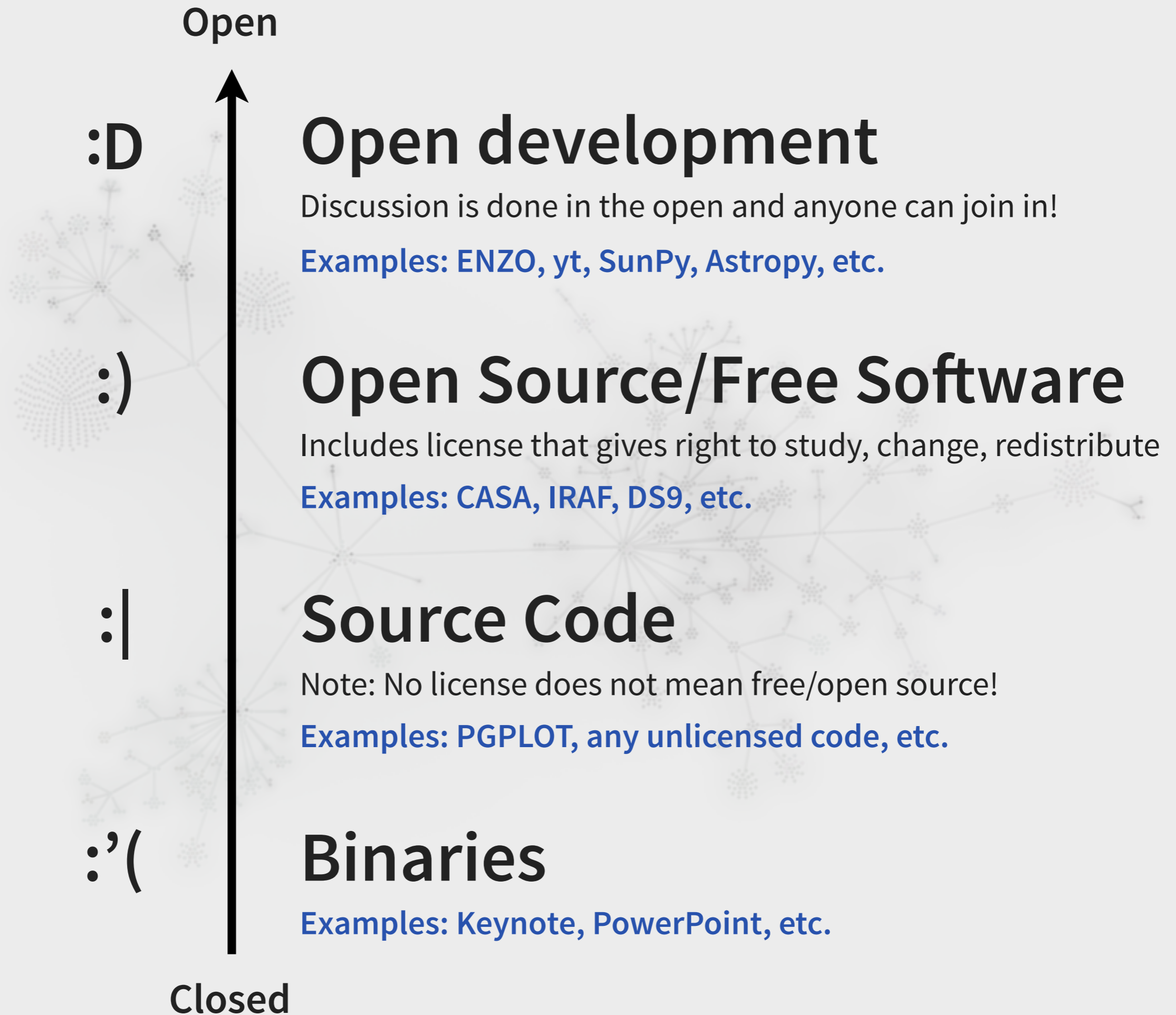
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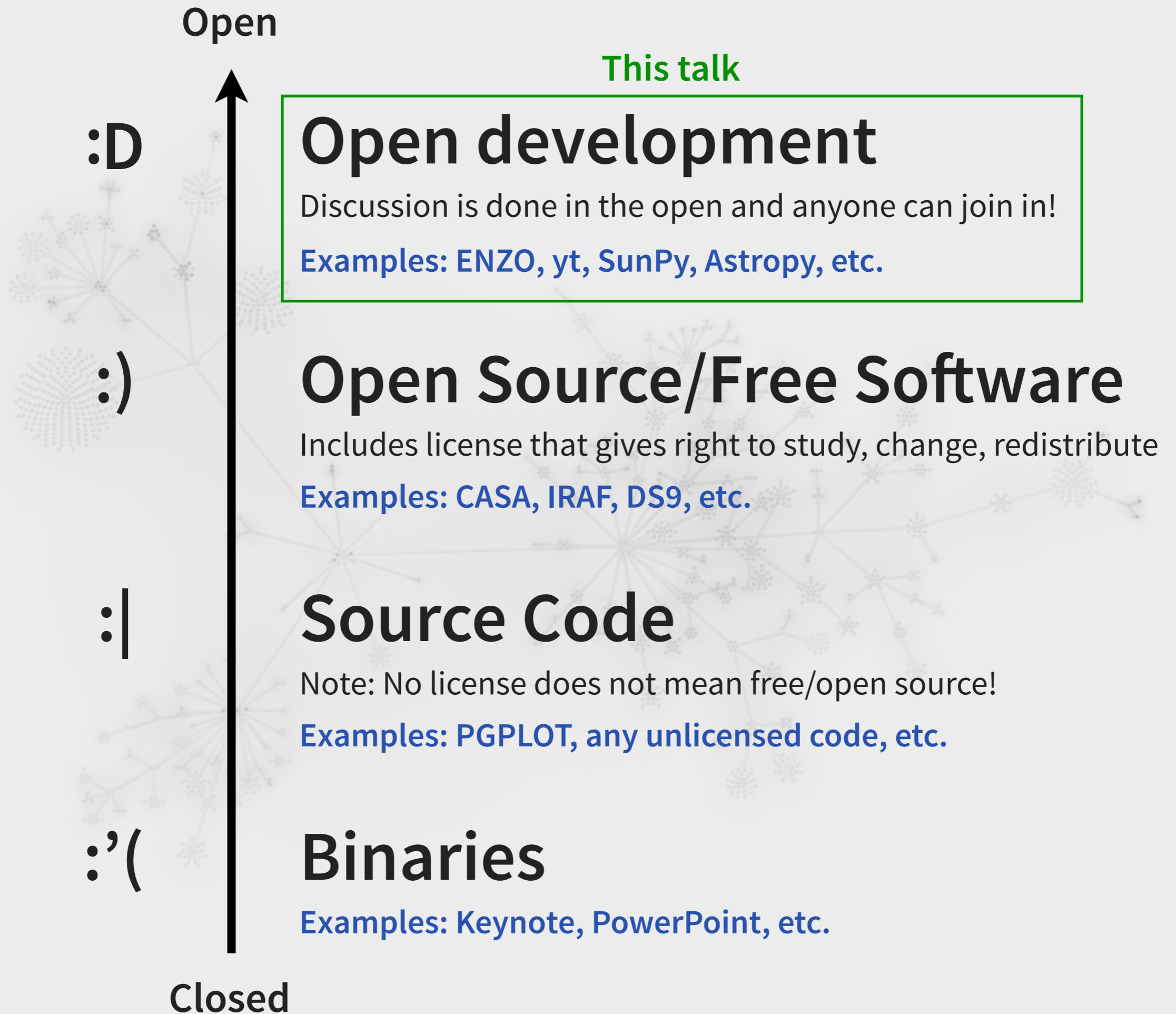
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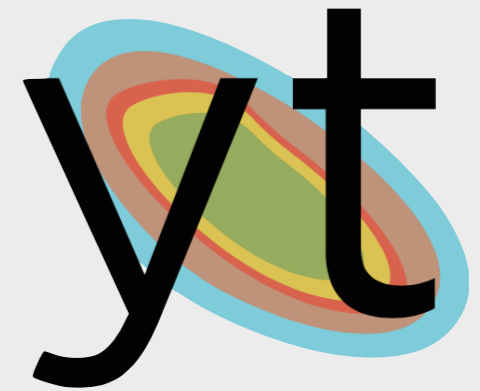
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The yt project




yt is an open-source, permissively-licensed python package for analyzing and visualizing volumetric data.

Started in **2007** by Matt Turk

~100 contributors to date

Note: not just a Python package, contains significant sections in C/C++!

<http://yt-project.org>

 @yt_astro

SunPy



The community-developed, free and open-source solar data analysis environment for Python.

Started in **2011** by a group of solar physicists

~60 contributors to date

<http://sunpy.org>

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The Astropy project



*The Astropy Project is a community effort to develop a single core package for Astronomy in Python and **foster interoperability** between Python astronomy packages.*

<http://astropy.org>

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Astropy Core Package

6 major public releases (first release February 2013)

Latest stable version: **v1.2.1** (released 22nd June 2016)

~180 individual contributors so far!

Over **16,000** commits (as of 17th October 2016)

Core data structures and transformations

- Constants (**`astropy.constants`**)
- Units and Quantities (**`astropy.units`**)
- N-dimensional datasets (**`astropy.nddata`**)
- Data Tables (**`astropy.table`**)
- Time and Dates (**`astropy.time`**)
- Astronomical Coordinate Systems (**`astropy.coordinates`**)
- World Coordinate System (**`astropy.wcs`**)
- Models and Fitting (**`astropy.modeling`**)
- Analytic Functions (**`astropy.analytic_functions`**)

Connecting up: Files and I/O

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- FITS File handling (**`astropy.io.fits`**)
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- VOTable XML handling (**`astropy.io.votable`**)
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- Data Visualization (**`astropy.visualization`**)
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- Virtual Observatory Access (**`astropy.vo`**)

<http://docs.astropy.org>

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Publication-quality image plotting

Machine learning

Photometry

Interface to many web services/archives

Gamma-ray data analysis

CCD image reduction

Spectroscopic analysis

‘Big’ spectral cube analysis (e.g. ALMA, etc.)

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This page lists all developers interested in contributing to various aspects of a potential common astronomy python package.

Add your name to any of the sections. Feel free to suggest new sections!

The sections are not in any order (no indication of priority, and some of these things are probably too advanced to make it into a common package)

Moderation of the discussions/decisions and coordination of the efforts

- Erik Tollerud
- Perry Greenfield
- Thomas Robitaille

15th June 2011: We (Erik, Perry, and Thomas) would like to suggest that we try moderating the discussions and coordinating the efforts as a group of three rather than picking a single person. Please take the following poll to let us know whether you would be happy with this. The poll will remain open until Friday 17th at 9pm EST.

18th June 2011: The final poll results were 53 'yes' votes, and 2 'no' votes, so the three of us will form a coordination team

Overall planning/Big picture stuff

- Thomas Robitaille
- James Turner (not necessarily speaking for Gemini)
- Tom Aldcroft

First Astropy Coordination Meeting - Center for Astrophysics, 2011
(followed by STScI in 2012, Yale in 2013)



In-person meetings are **crucial**



Open Development

in 2016

[PATCH] Clear upper bits during sign extension

- *From:* Yao Qi <yao at codesourcery dot com>
- *To:* <gdb-patches at sourceware dot org>
- *Date:* Mon, 29 Dec 2014 09:12:49 +0800
- *Subject:* [PATCH] Clear upper bits during sign extension
- *Authentication-results:* sourceware.org; auth=none

I see the error message "access outside bounds of object referenced via synthetic pointer" in the two fails below of mips gdb testing

```
print d[-2]^M
access outside bounds of object referenced via synthetic pointer^M
(gdb) FAIL: gdb.dwarf2/implptrconst.exp: print d[-2]
(gdb) print/d p[-1]^M
access outside bounds of object referenced via synthetic pointer^M
(gdb) FAIL: gdb.dwarf2/implptrpiece.exp: print/d p[-1]
```

in the first test, 'd[-2]' is processed by GDB as '* (&d[-2])'. 'd' is a synthetic pointer, so its value is zero, the address of 'd[-2]' is -2. In dwarf2loc.c:indirect_pieced_value,

```
/* This is an offset requested by GDB, such as value subscripts.
   However, due to how synthetic pointers are implemented, this is
   always presented to us as a pointer type. This means we have to
   sign-extend it manually as appropriate. */
byte_offset = value_as_address (value);          <---- [1]
if (TYPE_LENGTH (value_type (value)) < sizeof (LONGEST))
    byte_offset = gdb_sign_extend (byte_offset,    <---- [2]
                                   8 * TYPE_LENGTH (value_type (value)));
byte_offset += piece->v.ptr.offset;
```

on MIPS target, after [1], byte_offset is -2 (0xffffffffffffffe), because 32-bit -2 (as an address) is sign extended to 64-bit. After [2], we manually sign extend byte_offset too, and then it becomes 0xffffffffffffffe, which is wrong. Function gdb_sign_extend sign-extends VALUE on bit BIT, and assumes upper bits from bit BIT are all zero. That is why the code works well on targets on which address is zero extended, such as x86. On these targets, byte_offset is 0xffffffffe (zero extended from 32-bit address -2).

The patch is to clear upper bits of VALUE in gdb_sign_extend first. Regression tested on mips-linux-gnu, and fixes two fails above.

gdb:

2014-12-29 Yao Qi <yao@codesourcery.com>

```
* utils.c (gdb_sign_extend): Clear bits from BIT in VALUE.
```

```
---
gdb/utils.c | 9 ++++++++
1 file changed, 9 insertions(+)
```

```
diff --git a/gdb/utils.c b/gdb/utils.c
index 47adb67..e029863 100644
```

```
--- a/gdb/utils.c
+++ b/gdb/utils.c
@@ -3031,6 +3031,15 @@ gdb_sign_extend (LONGEST value, int bit)
     if (((value >> (bit - 1)) & 1) != 0)
     {
```

```
+         LONGEST signbit = ((LONGEST) 1) << (bit - 1);
+         LONGEST mask = 1;
+         int i;
+
+         /* Generate a mask in which bits [0, BIT - 1] are one. */
+         for (i = 0; i < bit; i++)
+             mask = mask << 1;
+         mask--;
+         /* Clear bits from bit BIT. */
+         value &= mask;
```

```
         value = (value ^ signbit) - signbit;
     }
}
```

```
--
1.9.3
```

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142 contributors

Branch: master

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astrofrog Merge pull request #4280 from opoplawski/pytest23 Latest commit f9148f0 5 hours ago

.continuous-integration	For consistency / clarity, rename the PIP variable to PIP_INSTALL [sk...	a month ago
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io.fits

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modeling

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 Handle sorting NaNs and masked values in jsviewer [Affects-release](#) [Bug](#) [table](#)

#4052 opened on Aug 7 by sargas

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☐ **Some polynomial model refactoring (WIP?)** **Affects-release** modeling

#4049 opened on Aug 7 by embray

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 Update ``bounding_box`` property and new ``Model.render()`` method in ``astropy.modeling`` ✓

Affects-dev modeling

#4040 opened on Aug 5 by patti v1.1.0 5 of 5

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Add sample plots to built-in models
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#4008 opened on Jul 25 by sYnfo

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 Retry --open-files check once after garbage collection Affects-release Bug testing

#4002 opened on Jul 24 by embray

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  **POC: tables within tables within tables!** Affects-dev table

#3963 opened on Jul 15 by taldcroft

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A faint, light gray constellation pattern is visible in the background, featuring various star clusters and connecting lines, typical of a star map.

```
def test_constellations():
```

```
# the actual test for accuracy is in test_funcs - this is just meant  
# to make sure we get sensible answers
```

```
sc = SkyCoord(135*u.deg, 65*u.deg)  
assert sc.get_constellation() == 'Ursa Major'  
assert sc.get_constellation(short_name=True) == 'UMa'
```

```
scs = SkyCoord([135]*2*u.deg, [65]*2*u.deg)  
npt.assert_equal(scs.get_constellation(), ['Ursa Major']*2)  
npt.assert_equal(scs.get_constellation(short_name=True), ['UMa']*2)
```

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change ordering of GCRS/ITRS transforms to make more sense

18 hours ago by Erik Tollerud

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 **astro**py
A Community Python Library for Astronomy

Welcome to the Astropy documentation! Astropy is a community-driven package intended to contain much of the core functionality and some common tools needed for performing astronomy and astrophysics with Python.

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Challenges

for openly developped projects

(in no specific order)

A faint, light gray background image of a network diagram. It consists of numerous small, star-like nodes connected by thin lines, forming a complex, branching structure that resembles a molecular or biological network. The nodes are distributed across the slide, with a higher concentration in the center and right side.

Challenge #1:

Reaching critical mass



Challenge #2:

Keeping the barrier of entry low



Challenge #3:

Heterogeneous development

Challenge #4:

Saying

NO

(to feature creep)



Challenge #5:

Giving credit to contributors

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Challenge #6:

Improving diversity



Challenge #7:

Building good governance models

SEP-0002 - SunPy Organization Definition

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Abstract

The SunPy organization currently lacks a formal organization structure. This proposal defines the SunPy organization which manages the code and related properties (e.g. docs, website, etc.)

Detailed Description

The organization of SunPy is modeled on that usually adopted by non-profit organizations (e.g. [501c](#)). This organization structure is tried and tested and has the added advantage that it should provide a smooth transition to incorporating a SunPy foundation if it becomes necessary in the future (e.g. for funding purposes). The primary role of the organization is to *facilitate and promote the use and development of a community-led, free and open-source solar data-analysis software based on the scientific Python environment*. This includes but is not limited to the following tasks

- developing the SunPy software library
- manage and protect the SunPy brand and identity
- promote SunPy to the community
- managing SunPy assets, i.e. github account, domain name etc.

The organization consists of an executive director, a board, and the developer community. The goal of the proposed structure to provide and promote community input into the project.

Role	Sub-role	Lead	Deputy
Coordination committee member		Tom Aldcroft	
		Kelle Cruz	
		Tom Robitaille	
		Erik Tollerud	
Astropy.org web page maintainer		Erik Tollerud ¹	Unfilled
Astropy-helpers maintainer		Unfilled	Erik Tollerud, Brigitta Sipocz, Erik Bray
Astropy GSoC coordinator	2016	Tom Aldcroft	Erik Tollerud
CI-helpers maintainer		Brigitta Sipocz	Unfilled
Community engagement coordinator	Overall	Kelle Cruz	Unfilled
	Twitter	Adrian Price-Whelan	Tom Robitaille
	Facebook	Kelle Cruz	Tom Robitaille, Erik Tollerud
	Conferences	Adrian Price-Whelan	Erik Tollerud, Tom Robitaille, Kelle Cruz
Core package release coordinator		Erik Tollerud ¹	Tom Robitaille ²
Distribution coordinator	Conda	Matt Craig	Unfilled
	Debian	Ole Streicher	Unfilled
	Fedora	Sergio Pascual	Unfilled
	ArchLinux	Unfilled	Unfilled
	MacPorts	Tom Robitaille ¹	Unfilled
Package-template maintainer		Tom Robitaille ¹	Brigitta Sipocz, Larry Bradley, Adrian Price-Whelan
Sub-package maintainer	astropy.analytic_functions	Pey Lian Lim	Larry Bradley
	astropy.constants	Unfilled	Unfilled
	astropy.convolution	Adam Ginsburg	Axel Donath, Larry Bradley

Astropy Community Code of Conduct

The community of participants in open source Astronomy projects is made up of members from around the globe with a diverse set of skills, personalities, and experiences. It is through these differences that our community experiences success and continued growth. We expect everyone in our community to follow these guidelines when interacting with others both inside and outside of our community. Our goal is to keep ours a positive, inclusive, successful, and growing community.

As members of the community,

- We pledge to treat all people with respect and provide a harassment- and bullying-free environment, regardless of sex, sexual orientation and/or gender identity, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, nationality, ethnicity, and religion. In particular, sexual language and imagery, sexist, racist, or otherwise exclusionary jokes are not appropriate.
- We pledge to respect the work of others by recognizing acknowledgment/citation requests of original authors. As authors, we pledge to be explicit about how we want our own work to be cited or acknowledged.
- We pledge to welcome those interested in joining the community, and realize that including people with a variety of opinions and backgrounds will only serve to enrich our community. In particular, discussions relating to pros/cons of various technologies, programming languages, and so on are welcome, but these should be done with respect, taking proactive measure to ensure that all participants are heard and feel confident that they can freely express their opinions.
- We pledge to welcome questions and answer them respectfully, paying particular attention to those new to the community. We pledge to provide respectful criticisms and feedback in forums, especially in discussion threads resulting from code contributions.
- We pledge to be conscientious of the perceptions of the wider community and to respond to criticism respectfully. We will strive to model behaviors that encourage productive debate and disagreement, both within our community and where we are criticized. We will treat those outside our community with the same respect as people within our community.
- We pledge to help the entire community follow the code of conduct, and to not remain silent when we see violations of the code of conduct. We will take action when members of our community violate this code such as contacting confidential@astropy.org (all emails sent to this address will be treated with the strictest confidence) or talking privately with the person.

This code of conduct applies to all community situations online and offline, including mailing lists, forums, social media, conferences, meetings, associated social events, and one-to-one interactions.

Parts of this code of conduct have been adapted from the PSF code of conduct.



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Online communities:

GitHub

Mailing lists (astropy, yt-users, sunpy, etc.)

Facebook (*Python users in Astronomy*)

Twitter

In-person community events

Dedicated conferences (e.g. #pyastro)

Hack days (Astro Hack Week, AAS Hack Day)

Python in Astronomy 2017

8 - 12 May 2017

Lorentz Center, Leiden



<http://openastronomy.org/pyastro/2017/>

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