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# **package***<sub>h</sub>elper<sub>2</sub>Documentation*

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## PACKAGE HELPER 2

Package Helper 2 explains how to create, develop and maintain a Python package.

The most prominent feature of Package Helper 2 is a **tutorial** that gives a checklist of how to:

- Create your package in a few minutes with [Cookiecutter](#),
- Develop and maintain your package with [PyCharm](#).

Optionally, you can also use [GitHub](#), [PyPI](#) and [Codecov](#). For more readability, the tools that you do not use can be hidden in the tutorial.

Package Helper 2 also provides a **template** of Python package. It is a fork of <https://github.com/audreyr/cookiecutter-pypackage/>. Here are the main differences with the original template:

- Personalize default options.
- Include example files for classes, with examples of documentation and testing.
- Documentation:
  - Use a GitHub action and GitHub Pages (instead of ReadTheDocs) to publish the documentation.
  - Use `sphinx.ext.napoleon` to benefit from NumPy style of documentation.
  - Use ReadTheDocs theme.
  - Add a “reference” section in the documentation of the package.
- Use a GitHub action (instead of Travis CI) to perform unit tests.
- Use a GitHub action (instead of Travis CI) to deploy the package on PyPI.
- Generate a local html page displaying the test coverage.
- Use Codecov.
- Minor tweaks in `setup.py`.
- Remove version numbers from `requirements_dev.txt`.

Documentation: <https://package-helper-2.readthedocs.io/>.



## TUTORIAL

Package Helper 2 helps you create, develop and maintain a package. If you use all the tools presented in this tutorial, things will work this way:

- You create the file structure of your package in less than a minute with [Cookiecutter](#).
- You use the IDE [PyCharm](#). It is configured to:
  - Generate the documentation of your package locally,
  - Run the unit tests.
  - Generate a local html page displaying what parts of the package are covered by the unit tests.
- Your project is on [GitHub](#). When you push modifications:
  - GitHub automatically generates the documentation in order to check if it works correctly,
  - If the branch is your default branch (“main” or “master”), Github automatically publishes the documentation online,
  - GitHub automatically runs the unit tests on several versions of Python.
  - [Codecov](#) displays what parts of the package are covered by the unit tests.
- When you make a *release* on GitHub, GitHub automatically publishes your package on [PyPI](#). This way, any Python user can install it with `pip install`.

Tick the tools that you want to use:

### 2.1 Preliminaries: Once and for All

### 2.2 Create Your package

### 2.3 Develop and Maintain Your Package





## CONTRIBUTING

Contributions are welcome, and they are greatly appreciated! Every little bit helps, and credit will always be given. You can contribute in many ways:

### 3.1 Types of Contributions

#### 3.1.1 Report Bugs

Report bugs at [https://github.com/francois-durand/package\\_helper\\_2/issues](https://github.com/francois-durand/package_helper_2/issues).

If you are reporting a bug, please include:

- Your operating system name and version.
- Any details about your local setup that might be helpful in troubleshooting.
- Detailed steps to reproduce the bug.

#### 3.1.2 Fix Bugs

Look through the GitHub issues for bugs. Anything tagged with “bug” and “help wanted” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

#### 3.1.3 Implement Features

Look through the GitHub issues for features. Anything tagged with “enhancement” and “help wanted” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

#### 3.1.4 Write Documentation

Package Helper 2 could always use more documentation, whether as part of the official Package Helper 2 docs, in docstrings, or even on the web in blog posts, articles, and such.

### 3.1.5 Submit Feedback

The best way to send feedback is to file an issue at [https://github.com/francois-durand/package\\_helper\\_2/issues](https://github.com/francois-durand/package_helper_2/issues).

If you are proposing a feature:

- Explain in detail how it would work.
- Keep the scope as narrow as possible, to make it easier to implement.
- Remember that this is a volunteer-driven project, and that contributions are welcome :)

## 3.2 Get Started!

Ready to contribute? Here's how to set up *package\_helper\_2* for local development.

1. Fork the *package\_helper\_2* repo on GitHub.
2. Clone your fork locally:

```
$ git clone git@github.com:your_name_here/package_helper_2.git
```

3. Install your local copy into a virtualenv. Assuming you have virtualenvwrapper installed, this is how you set up your fork for local development:

```
$ mkvirtualenv package_helper_2
$ cd package_helper_2/
$ python setup.py develop
```

4. Create a branch for local development:

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

Now you can make your changes locally.

5. When you're done making changes, check that your changes pass flake8 and the tests, including testing other Python versions with tox:

```
$ flake8 package_helper_2 tests
$ python setup.py test or py.test
$ tox
```

To get flake8 and tox, just pip install them into your virtualenv.

6. Commit your changes and push your branch to GitHub:

```
$ git add .
$ git commit -m "Your detailed description of your changes."
$ git push origin name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

7. Submit a pull request through the GitHub website.

## 3.3 Pull Request Guidelines

Before you submit a pull request, check that it meets these guidelines:

1. The pull request should include tests.
2. If the pull request adds functionality, the docs should be updated. Put your new functionality into a function with a docstring, and add the feature to the list in README.rst.
3. The pull request should work for Python 3.6, 3.7 and 3.8,. Check [https://github.com/francois-durand/package\\_helper\\_2/actions](https://github.com/francois-durand/package_helper_2/actions) and make sure that the tests pass for all supported Python versions.

## 3.4 Tips

To run a subset of tests:

```
$ py.test tests.test_package_helper_2
```

## 3.5 Deploying

A reminder for the maintainers on how to deploy. Make sure all your changes are committed (including an entry in HISTORY.rst). Then run:

```
$ bumpversion patch # possible: major / minor / patch
$ git push
$ git push --tags
```

GitHub will then deploy to PyPI if tests pass.



**CREDITS**

This package is a fork of <https://github.com/audreyr/cookiecutter-pypackage/> by Audrey Roy Greenfeld.

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- Fabien Mathieu (local coverage page).
- Maxime Mouchet (run configurations for PyCharm).



## HISTORY

### 5.1 0.1.5 (2022-01-20): Run Configurations

- Cookiecutter generates automatically the run configurations for PyCharm: “All tests” and “Generate docs”.
- It is now possible to choose “main” or “master” as the default git branch.

### 5.2 0.1.4 (2022-01-18): Local Coverage

- Generate a local html page displaying the test coverage.
- The “build” folder for the documentation is created when generating the file structure of the package.
- Change the default branch from “master” to “main”.
- Update the tutorial to fit with the current versions of PyCharm, GitHub and Codecov.
- Several minor updates in the tutorial.

### 5.3 0.1.3 (2020-11-25): Fix deployment on PyPI

- Make the title levels consistent between files `README.rst` and `HISTORY.rst`, to avoid a deployment bug on PyPI.

### 5.4 0.1.2 (2020-11-25): Add release titles

- In the file `HISTORY.rst` of the template, add release titles.

### 5.5 0.1.1 (2020-11-25): Fix bug in “docs” action

- Fix a bug in the “docs” action.
- Add support for notebooks in documentation by default.

## 5.6 0.1.0 (2020-11-25)

- First release.