# OlaPy, un outil pour l'analyse de données métier **Business analytics with OlaPy**

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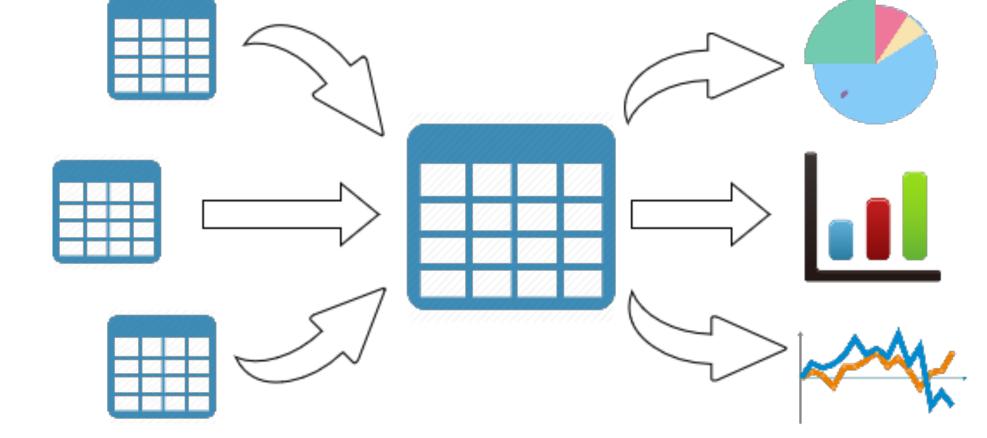




## **Olapy in brief**

- Developed since 2016 by Abilian
- In-memory data processing using Pandas
- Aggregated data browsing
- MDX support
- XMLA interface (-> Excel)
- Multiple back-ends (CSV, SQL)
- Simple web front-end and in-browser app







## **Before we start / motivations**





#### Who am I?

- Stefane Fermigier, Python developer since 1996
- Founder of Abilian SAS
  - Python shop, developing business application (collaboration, CRM, workflow...)
  - R&D activity (Wendelin -> Olapy)
- Organizer of the PyData Paris / PyParis conference (2014-2018)



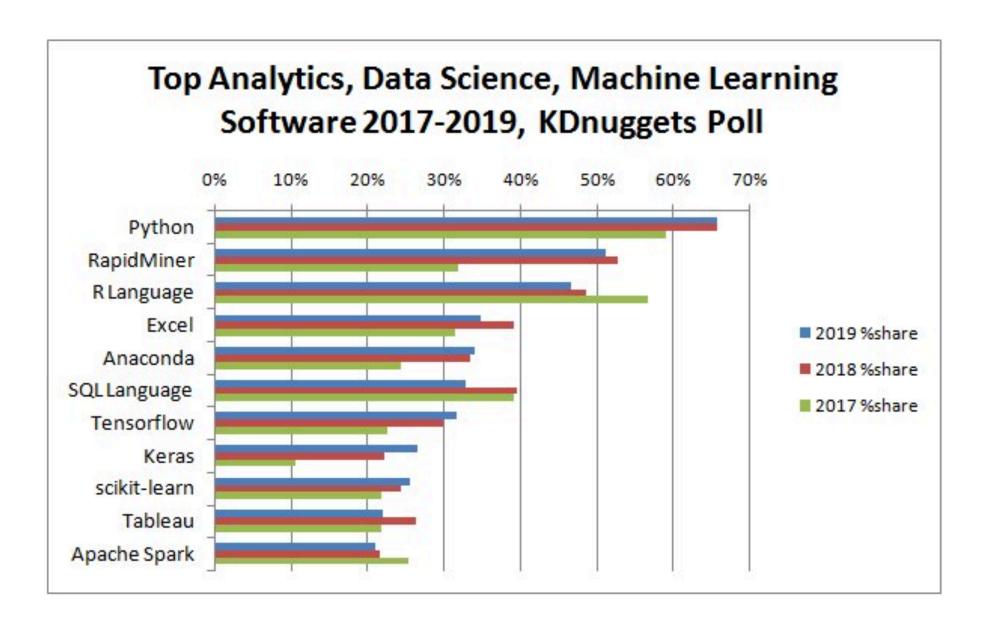






## Why use Python for business data analysis?

- Why not? :)
- Python is one of the leading languages for data science / data processing, and also a leading language for web & business apps
- As a Python shop, we'd like to leverage this leadership in data processing tools to build exploration / reporting features in our business applications using a familiar language





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"Python already replaced Excel in banking"

by Sarah Butcher 04 November 2019







## **Concepts and architecture**

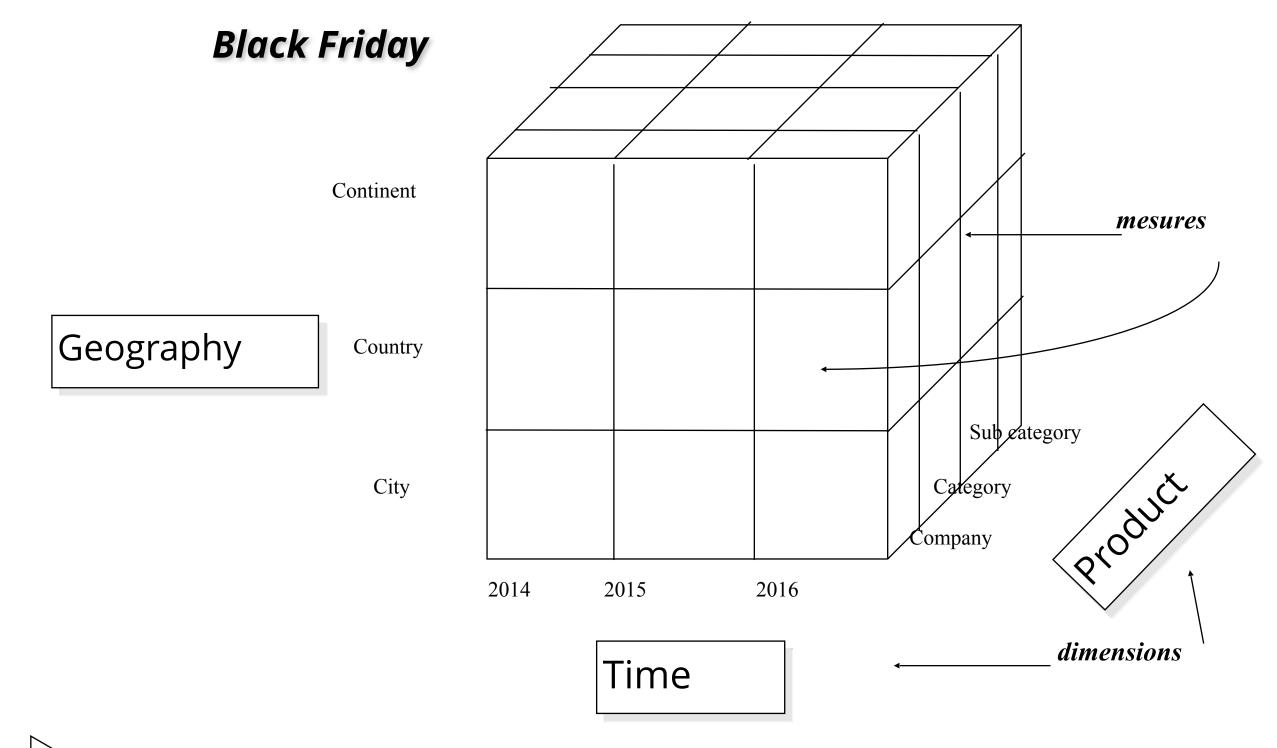






#### **On-Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) & Multidimensional Databases**

- A multidimensional DB is an hypercube
- Axes are called user-defined dimensions
- Cells contain **measures** calculated from more or less complex formulas
- **Operators** on the cube are algebraic (return a cube) and can thus be combined



Multi-dimensional database = "super-spreadsheet"







## MDX: a query language for business analytics

- MDX = Multi Dimensional Expressions
- SQL extension for querying a multi-dimensional database
- Example:

SELECT [Geography].[Geo].[Country] ON ROWS, [Time].[Calendar].[Year].[2010] ON COLUMNS FROM sales WHERE [Measures].[Count]

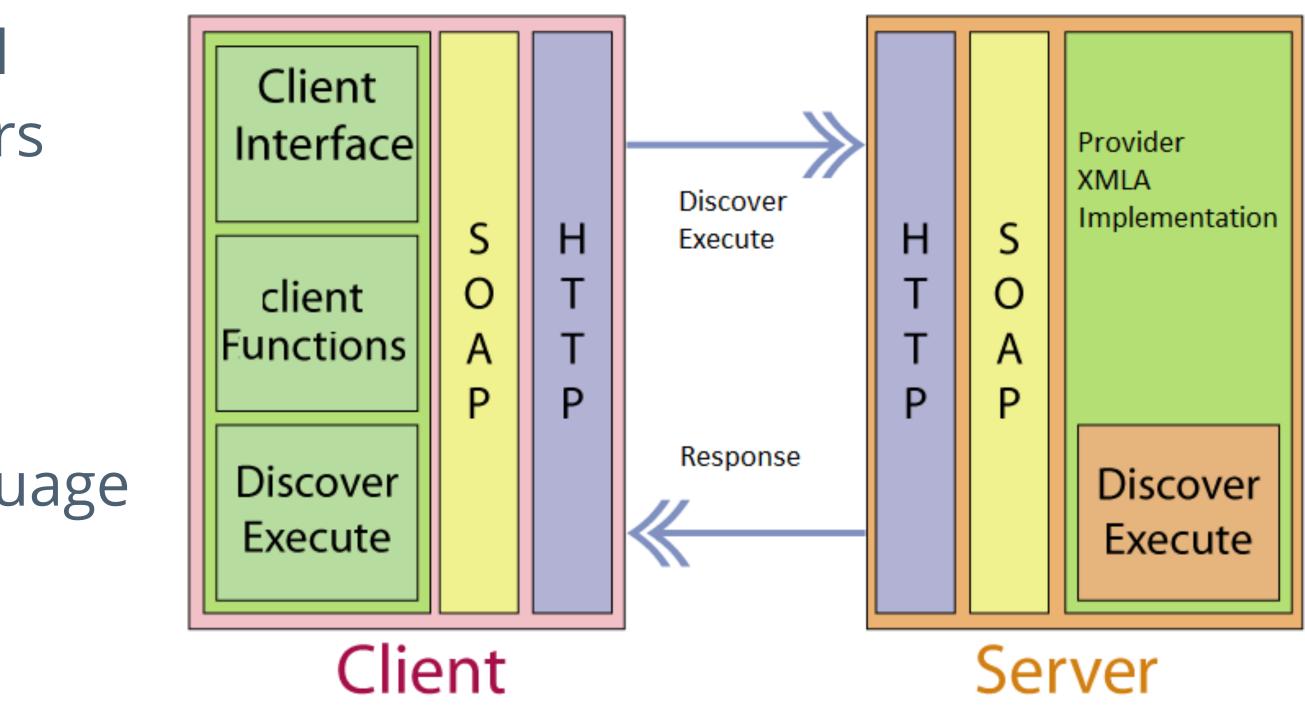






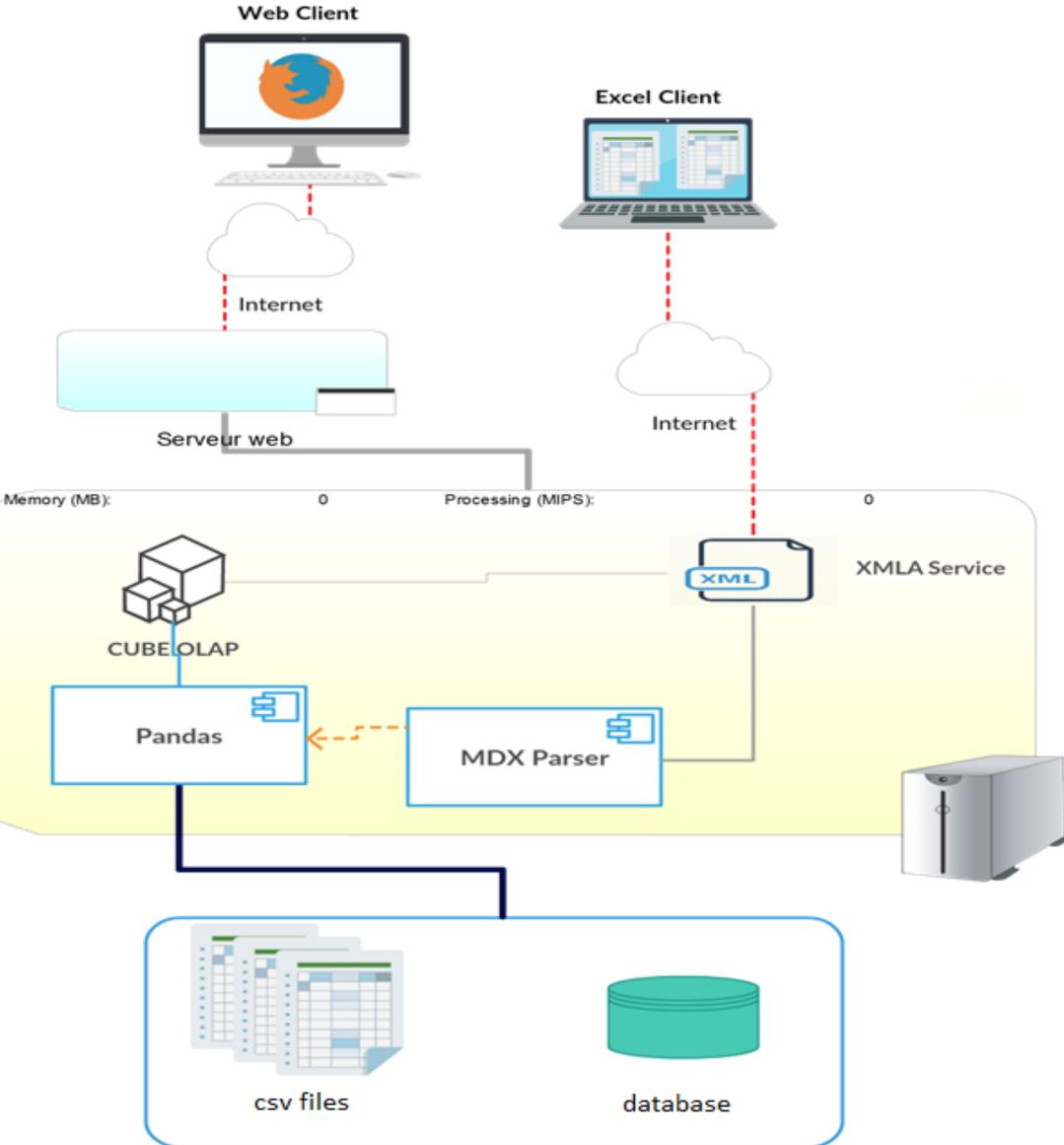
## **XMLA - Extensible Markup Language for Analysis**

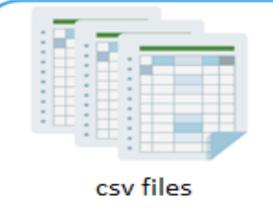
- Data Access Protocol
- Supports exchange of analytical data between clients and servers
  - Available on any device or platform
  - Using any programming language
- SOAP with just 2 methods
  - Discover
  - Execute





#### **Detailed architecture**

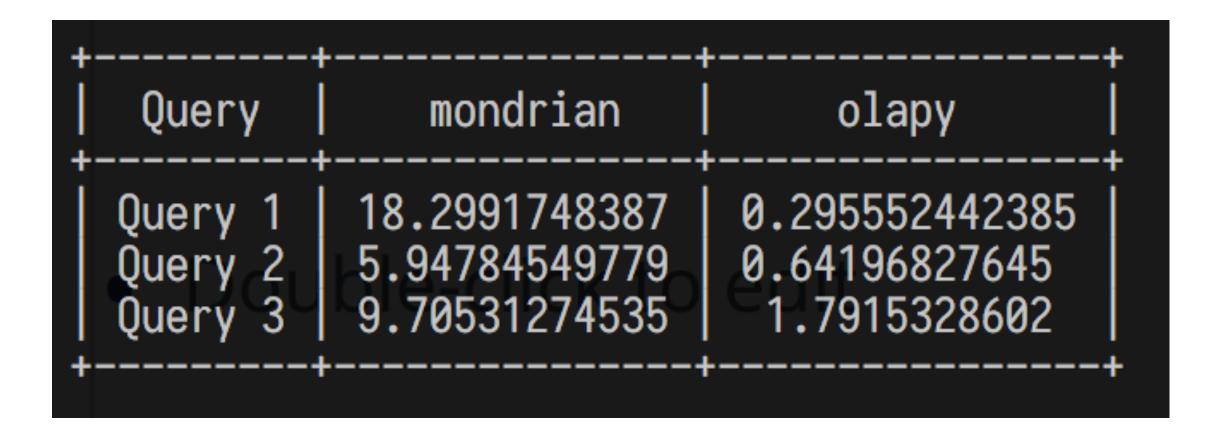








#### **Benchmarks (WIP)**



Query	olapy	icCube
Query 1	0.281230660283	0.621506021932
Query 2	0.059574795634	0.0932817094385
Query 3	0.1762889296	0.0877657527287
Query 4	0.146335781106	0.101121254574
Query 5	1.094864808	1.28551811198





## Use cases & applications





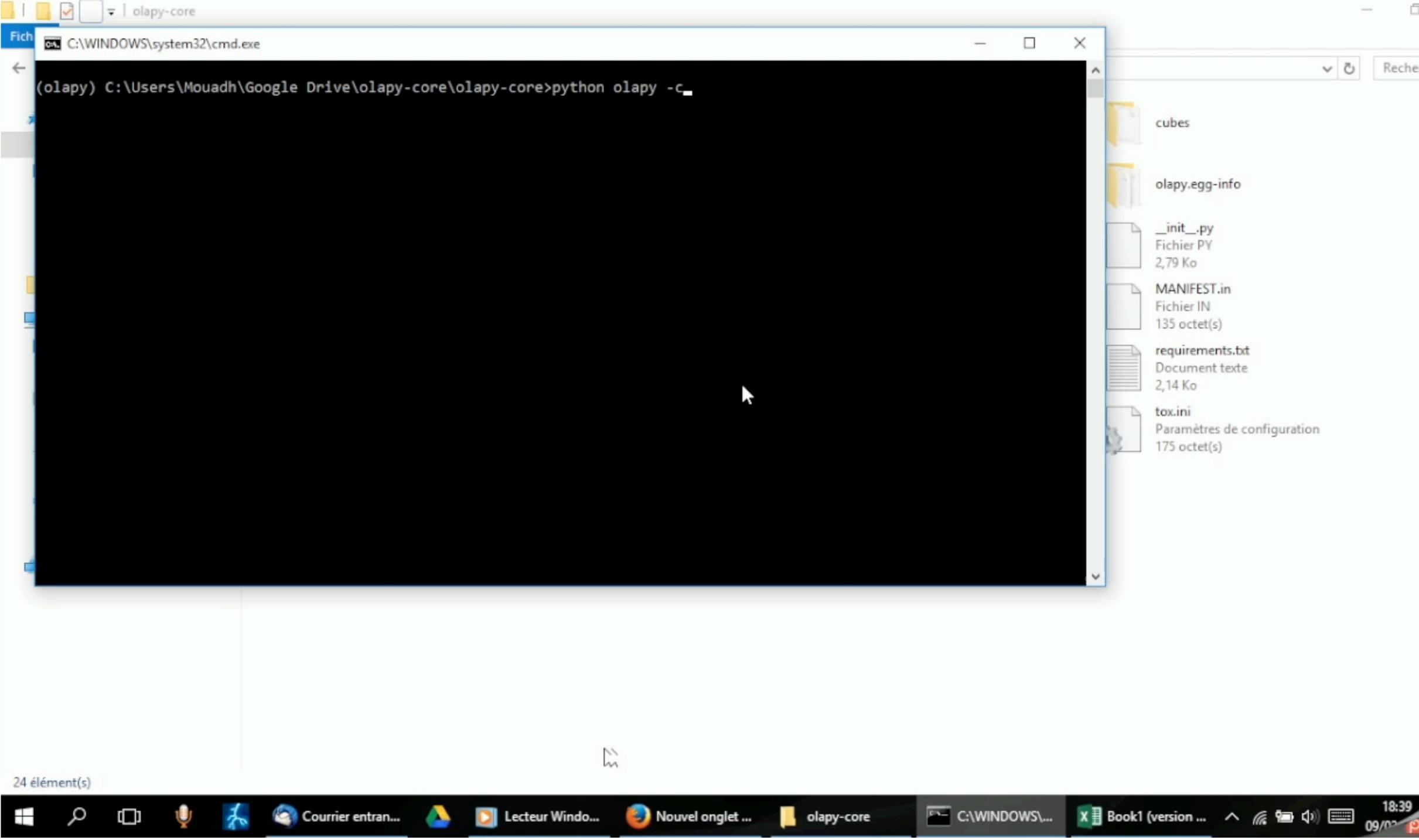


#### From a spreadsheet software (e.g. Excel)

- Install & run:
  - pip install olapy
  - olapy runserver
- Then, from excel go to:
  - Data/from other sources/
- And on "analyses services"
- Use URL: http://127.0.0.1:8000/xmla







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### **Other clients**

- xmla.js : JavaScript client
  - Jexcel, Sheetjs, etc.
- olap4j: Java client
- Clients also for Python, .NET, Perl, Ruby, etc.

 Ongoing work to be able to call OlaPy (or any other XMLA server) from browser-based spreadsheet software, such as OnlyOffice,

• Used (among others) by the PalOOca plugin for LibreOffice





## Web application (POC)

- GUI-based MDX query editor
- GUI-based data explore / aggregator
- Graphical widgets
- Support for dashboarding

#### • Flask-based Web application (other framework will be supported)





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Dashboards		
Query Builder	• >	

## As a Python library - using Jupyter (or not)

In [1]: from olapy.core.mdx.executor.execute import MdxEngine mdx query = """SELECT FROM [Black Friday] ...... executor = MdxEngine('Black Friday') execution result Out[1]: average\_sales\_M 8875 0

- Hierarchize({[Measures].[average\_sales\_M]}) ON COLUMNS
- execution result = executor.execute mdx(mdx query)['result']





## **Notebook in the browser - using Pyiodide**

- currently available.
- While closely related to the iodide project, a tool for literate scientific a notebook environment. To maximize the flexibility of the modern Python inside a web browser.

• **Pyodide** brings the Python runtime to the browser via **WebAssembly**, along with the Python scientific stack including NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, parts of SciPy, and NetworkX. The packages directory lists over 35 packages which are

• Pyodide provides transparent conversion of objects between Javascript and Python. When used inside a browser, Python has full access to the Web APIs.

computing and communication for the web, Pyodide goes beyond running in web, Pyodide may be used standalone in any context where you want to run





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## **Out-of-core in-memory computing - using Wendelin**

"Wendelin is a big data framework designed for industrial applications based on python, NumPy, Scipy and other NumPy based libraries. It uses at its core the NEO distributed transactional NoSQL database to store petabytes of binary data. Wendelin combines the performance of scikit-learn machine learning with NEO distributed storage in order to provide **out-of-core** processing of large data sets. Its goal is to bring the best open source, big data engine based on Numpy python technologies and gather a wide community of contributors of new data analytics algorithms."







# **Roadmap and support**





### Roadmap

- Version 0.8 will be released before year end
  - Last version to support Python 2.7
- Then (2020):
  - Supported release of Olapy / Pyodide
  - Integration with Web spreadsheets
  - Web app (both standalone and as a component)
  - More use cases





### Support offer

- Starting with release 0.8, we will sell support on Olapy
- Contact us for details :)





# Questions?

