

Scientific Python Cheatsheet

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Pure Python

Types

```
a = 2          # integer
b = 5.0        # float
c = 8.3e5      # exponential
d = 1.5 + 0.5j # complex
e = 3 > 4      # boolean
f = 'word'     # string
```

Lists

```
a = ['red', 'blue', 'green'] # manually initialization
b = range(5)                 # initialization through range
c = [nu**2 for nu in b]      # initialize through list comprehension
d = [nu**2 for nu in b if b < 3] # list comprehension with condition
e = c[0]                     # access element
f = e[1: 2]                  # access a slice of the list
g = ['re', 'bl'] + ['gr']   # list concatenation
h = ['re'] * 5               # repeat a list
['re', 'bl'].index('re')    # returns index of 're'
're' in ['re', 'bl']        # true if 're' in list
sorted([3, 2, 1])           # returns sorted list
z = ['red'] + ['green', 'blue'] # list concatenation
```

Dictionaries

```
a = {'red': 'rouge', 'blue': 'bleu', 'green': 'vert'} # dict
b = a['red']                                           # t
c = [value for key, value in b.items()]                # l
d = a.get('yellow', 'no translation found')           # ?
```

Strings

```
a = 'red' # assignment
char = a[2] # access individual character
'red ' + 'blue' # string concatenation
'1, 2, three'.split(',') # split string into list
'.'.join(['1', '2', 'three']) # concatenate list into string
```

Operators

```
a = 2 # assignment
a += 1 (*=, /=) # change and assign
3 + 2 # addition
3 / 2 # integer division (python2) or float division
3 // 2 # integer division
3 * 2 # multiplication
3 ** 2 # exponent
3 % 2 # remainder
abs() # absolute value
1 == 1 # equal
2 > 1 # larger
```

```

2 < 1          # smaller
1 != 2         # not equal
1 != 2 and 2 < 3 # logical AND
1 != 2 or 2 < 3  # logical OR
not 1 == 2      # logical NOT
a in b         # test if a is in b
a is b         # test if objects point to the same memory (id)

```

Functions, Classes, Generators, Decorators

Control Flow

```

# if/elif/else
a, b = 1, 2
if a + b == 3:
    print 'True'
elif a + b == 1:
    print 'False'
else:
    print '?'

# for
a = ['red', 'blue', 'green']
for color in a:
    print color

# while
number = 1
while number < 10:
    print number
    number += 1

# break
number = 1
while True:
    print number
    number += 1
    if number > 10:
        break

# continue
for i in range(20):
    if i % 2 == 0:
        continue
    print i

```

```

# Function
def myfunc(a1, a2):
    return x

x = my_function(a1,a2)

# Class
class Point(object):
    def __init__(self, x):
        self.x = x
    def __call__(self):
        print self.x

x = Point(3)

# Generators
def firstn(n):
    num = 0
    while num < n:
        yield num
        num += 1

x = [for i in firstn(10)]

# Decorators
class myDecorator(object):
    def __init__(self, f):
        self.f = f
    def __call__(self):
        print "call"
        self.f()

@myDecorator
def my_func():
    print 'func'

my_func()

```

NumPy

array initialization

```
np.array([2, 3, 4]) # direct initialization
np.empty(20, dtype=np.float32) # single precision array with 20 entries
np.zeros(200) # initialize 200 zeros
np.ones((3,3), dtype=np.int32) # 3 x 3 integer matrix with ones
np.eye(200) # ones on the diagonal
np.zeros_like(a) # returns array with zeros and the shape of a # returns array with booleans
np.linspace(0., 10., 100) # 100 points from 0 to 10
np.arange(0, 100, 2) # points from 0 to 100 with step 2
np.logspace(-5, 2, 100) # 100 log-spaced points between 1e-5 and 1e2
np.copy(a) # copy array
```

reading/ writing files

```
np.fromfile(fname/object, dtype=np.float32, count=5) # read binary data from file
np.loadtxt(fname/object, skiprows=2, delimiter=',') # read ascii data from file
```

array properties and operations

```
a * 5 # multiplication with scalar
a + 5 # addition with scalar
a + b # addition with array b
a / b # division with b (np.NaN for division by zero)
np.exp(a) # exponential (complex and real)
np.sin(a) # sine
np.cos(a) # cosine
np.arctan2(y,x) # arctan(y/x)
np.arcsin(x) # arcsin
np.radians(a) # degrees to radians
np.degrees(a) # radians to degrees
np.var(a) # variance of array
np.std(a, axis=1) # standard deviation
a.shape # a tuple with the lengths of each axis
len(a) # length of axis 0
a.ndim # number of dimensions (axes)
a.sort(axis=1) # sort array along axis
a.flatten() # collapse array to one dimension
a.conj() # return complex conjugate
a.astype(np.int16) # cast to integer
np.argmax(a, axis=2) # return index of maximum along a given axis
np.cumsum(a) # return cumulative sum
np.any(a) # True if any element is True
np.all(a) # True if all elements are True
np.argsort(a, axis=1) # return sorted index array along axis
```

inner / outer products

indexing

```
np.dot(a, b) # inner matrix product
np.einsum('ijkl,klmn->ijmn', a, b) # einstein summation
np.sum(a, axis=1) # sum over axis 1
np.abs(a) # return array with absolute values
a[None, :] + b[:, None] # outer sum
a[None, :] * b[None, :] # outer product
np.outer(a, b) # outer product
np.sum(a * a.T) # matrix norm
```

interpolation, integration

```
np.trapz(y, x=x, axis=1) # integrate along axis
np.interp(x, xp, yp)    # interpolate function
```

fft

```
np.fft.fft(y) # complex fourier transform of y
np.fft.fftfreqs(len(y)) # fft frequencies for a given length
np.fft.fftshift(freqs) # shifts zero frequency to the middle
np.fft.rfft(y) # real fourier transform of y
np.fft.rfftfreqs(len(y)) # real fft frequencies for a given length
```

rounding

```
np.ceil(a) # rounds to nearest upper int
np.floor(a) # rounds to nearest lower int
np.round(a) # rounds to nearest int
```

random variables

```
np.random.normal(loc=0, scale=2, size=100)
np.random.seed(23032)
np.random.rand(200)
np.random.uniform(1, 30, 200)
np.random.random_integers(1, 15, 300)
```

subplots to fit perfectly into fig

```
ax.set_xlabel() # set xlabel
ax.set_ylabel() # set ylabel
ax.set_xlim(1, 2) # sets x limits
ax.set_ylim(3, 4) # sets y limits
ax.set_title('blabla') # sets the axis title
ax.set(xlabel='bla') # set multiple parameters
ax.legend(loc='upper center') # activate legend
ax.grid(True, which='both') # activate grid
bbox = ax.get_position() # returns the axes bounding box
bbox.x0, bbox.x1, bbox.y0, bbox.y1 # bounding box parameters
```

plotting routines

```
ax.plot(x,y, '-o', c='red', lw=2, label='bla') # plots a line with markers
ax.scatter(x,y, s=20, c=color) # scatter plot
ax.pcolormesh(xx,yy,zz, shading='gouraud') # fast color map
ax.colormesh(xx,yy,zz, norm=norm) # slower color map
ax.contour(xx,yy,zz, cmap='jet') # contour plot
ax.contourf(xx,yy,zz, vmin=2, vmax=4) # filled contour plot
n, bins, patch = ax.hist(x, 50) # histogram
ax.imshow(matrix, origin='lower', extent=(x1, x2, y1, y2)) # image plot
ax.specgram(y, FS=0.1, noverlap=128, scale='linear') # power spectrum
```

Matplotlib

figures and axes

```
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(5, 2), facecolor='black') # initialize figure
ax = fig.add_subplot(3, 2, 2) # add second subplot in a 3 x 2 grid
fig, axes = plt.subplots(5, 2, figsize=(5, 5)) # return fig and array of axes in a 5 x 2 grid
ax = fig.add_axes([left, bottom, width, height]) # manually add axes at a certain position
```

figures and axes properties

```
fig.suptitle('title') # big figure title
fig.subplots_adjust(bottom=0.1, right=0.8, top=0.9, wspace=0.2,
                    hspace=0.5) # adjust subplot positions
fig.tight_layout(pad=0.1, h_pad=0.5, w_pad=0.5, rect=None) # adjust
```