

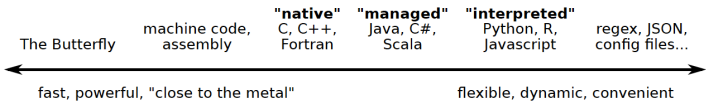
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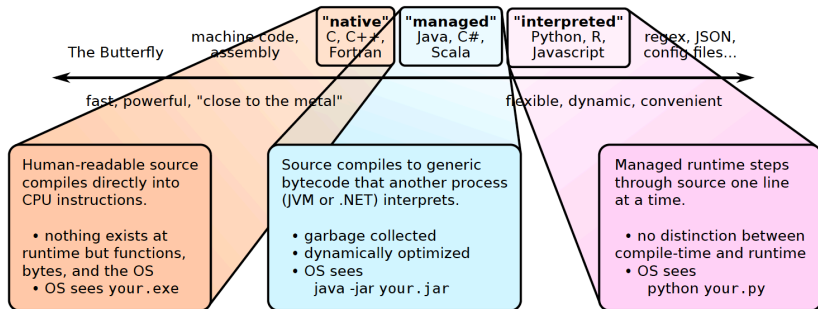
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On nabel.princeton.edu, you can use `python 2.7` and `jupyter`

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# Functions

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```







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# Hello World

A better **hello.py** script is

```
$ cat hello.py
#!/usr/bin/env python
def greet(who="world")
 print "Hello %s" % (who)

if __name__ == "__main__":
 greet()
```

The advantage is that I can say either

```
$ python hello.py
Hello world
```

or

```
>>> import hello
>>> hello.greet("class")
Hello class
```

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(0, 1, 2)
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(2, 4, 6, 8)
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```

See the next slide for an explanation.

## Dictionary comprehensions

A dictionary comprehension takes the form *key: value for (key, value) in iterable*. This syntax was introduced in Python 3 and backported to Python 2.7. Main use case is given two lists to create a dictionary where the item at each position in the first list becomes a key and the item at the corresponding position in the second list becomes the value:

```
>>> seasons = ['Fall', 'Winter', 'Spring', 'Summer']
>>> {k[:2]: v for (k, v) in zip(seasons, range(len(seasons)))}
{'Fa': 0, 'Sp': 2, 'Su': 3, 'Wi': 1}
```

# Generators and iterators

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```
def fibonacci(n):
 prev = 0
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 yield cur
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```

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def fib
```

```
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`fibonacci` returns a *generator* which has a method `next`. The first call to `next` calls `fibonacci` and returns the value of the `yield` statement. When you call `next` again it miraculously resumes just after the `yield` and continues until it reaches `yield` again; when it returns (either explicitly or implicitly) a `StopIteration` exception is raised:

```
>>> f = fibonacci(1)
>>> f.next()
1
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Traceback (most recent call last):
 File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
StopIteration
```





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```
>>> ^C^C
>>> import pdb; pdb.pm()
0
0
> <stdin>(13)my_range()
(Pdb) p i
-5184308
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```

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```
def my_range(n, end=None, dn=1):
 ...
 if end > n and dn <= 0:
 raise RuntimeError("Increment is negative: %g" % (dn))
```

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# Classes

Python is an Object Oriented language. In **people.py** I wrote:

```
class Person(object):
 """Describe a person"""

 def __init__(self, email=None, surname=None):
 self.email = email
 self.surname = surname
```

Note that `self` plays the part of C++'s `this`, but you have to explicitly write it out. All member functions expect `self` as their first argument.



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After a reload and after rebuilding addressBook with our  
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(cwwrowley, Rowley)
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Python has *many* libraries. I'll skim the surface of four











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Python's `re` module provides two searching methods. I've been using `search`, but there is also `match`. I recommend that you **never** use `match` (because `re.match(r"RE", ...) == re.search(r"`

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- optparse Deprecated in python 2.7
- argparse The new kid on the block; only in python 2.7 (and 3.), but back-ported to 2.6.

## Your best choice in new code

## argparse

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
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parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Say hello')

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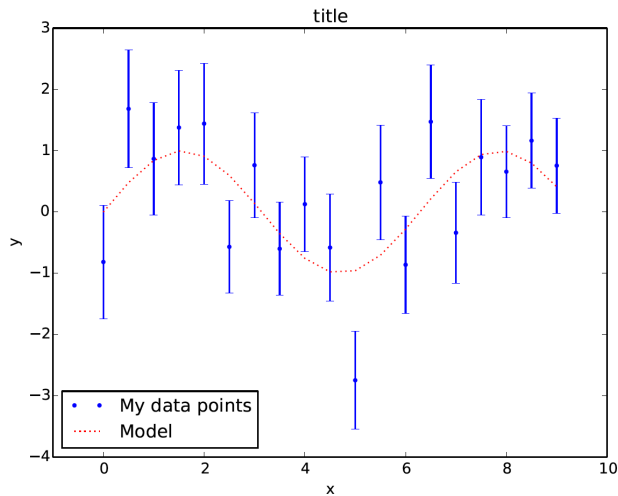
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If you need fine control over your plots you need to know the classes and their methods, but you may not need to go far down that path.

## Interactive plotting with `matplotlib.pyplot`

For interactive use, probably the most convenient is to use `pylab`, which looks a lot like Matlab:

## plot sin.pdf







# Format characters

The format string is of the form CM (ColourMarker)

|   |         |    |               |   |                  |
|---|---------|----|---------------|---|------------------|
| b | blue    | -  | solid line    | . | point            |
| g | green   | -- | dashed line   | , | pixel            |
| r | red     | :  | dotted line   | o | circle           |
| c | cyan    | -. | dot-dash line | v | triangle (down)  |
| m | magenta |    |               | ^ | triangle (up)    |
| y | yellow  |    |               | < | triangle (left)  |
| k | black   |    |               | > | triangle (right) |
| w | white   |    |               |   |                  |

There are more colours, but it's better to use the color keyword. For markers, it's really better to use the marker and linestyle (abbreviation: ls) keywords

# Semi-OO plotting with matplotlib

## Jupyter (a.k.a. iPython) notebooks

We can run these commands in the browser with a command like:

```
$ jupyter notebook --no-browser src/notebooks/sin.ipynb
```

This provides a nice way of documenting your work.

See <http://jupyter.readthedocs.io/en/latest/install.html>

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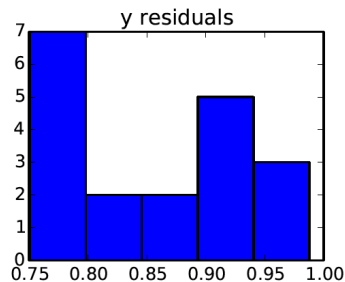
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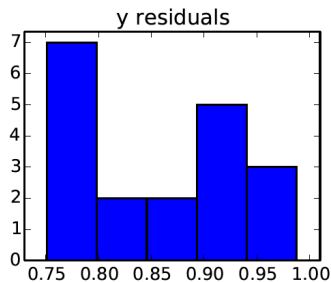
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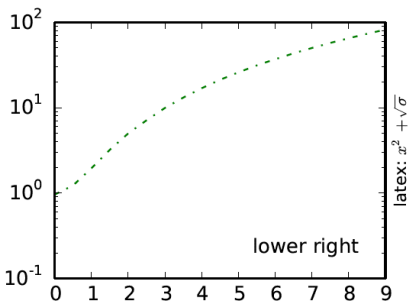
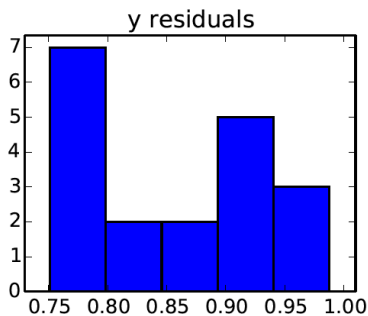
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## Panel II: Log-linear



# Panel III: Scatter Plot







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# Non-interactive plotting

What if you just want to make a plot, and not worry about interactive and Qt ? One way is to use a canvas :

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There's also

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 [0 1 2 3 4]
 [0 2 4 6 8]
 [0 3 6 9 12]
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0 0.000
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(OK, so that's a python, not numpy , trick)

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The two calls are identical, but the random numbers are (of course) different.

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- N-dimensional image convolution
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- Sparse linear algebra (e.g.  $3M \times 5k$  least-squares problems)
- Optimization
- etc.



One extremely powerful technique is to wrap your own code in python, a topic that we'll cover later in the course. To whet your appetite, here's some analysis code that I wrote four years ago last week: