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This reference manual details functions, modules, and objects included in NumPy, describing what they are and what they do. For learning how to use NumPy, see the complete documentation.



## ARRAY OBJECTS

NumPy provides an N-dimensional array type, the *ndarray*, which describes a collection of “items” of the same type. The items can be *indexed* using for example N integers.

All ndarrays are homogeneous: every item takes up the same size block of memory, and all blocks are interpreted in exactly the same way. How each item in the array is to be interpreted is specified by a separate *data-type object*, one of which is associated with every array. In addition to basic types (integers, floats, *etc.*), the data type objects can also represent data structures.

An item extracted from an array, *e.g.*, by indexing, is represented by a Python object whose type is one of the *array scalar types* built in NumPy. The array scalars allow easy manipulation of also more complicated arrangements of data.

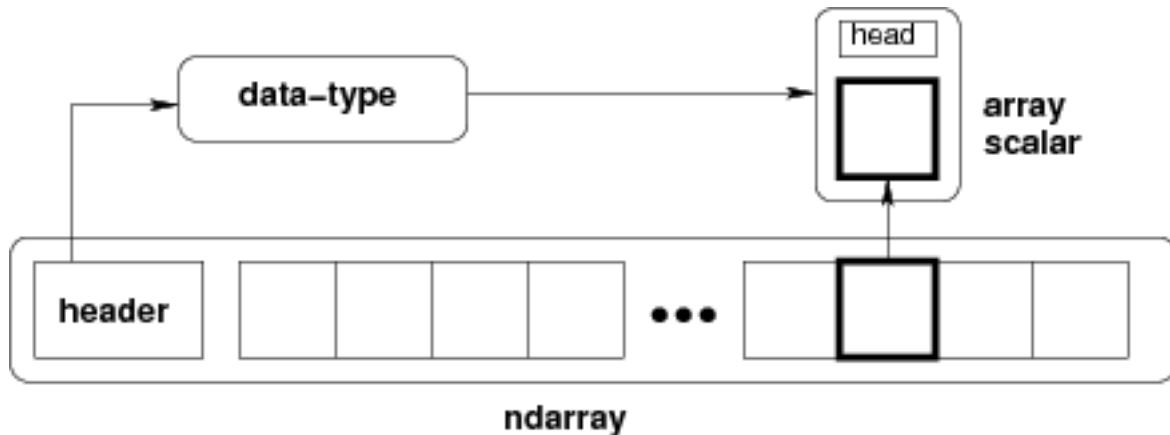


Fig. 1: **Figure** Conceptual diagram showing the relationship between the three fundamental objects used to describe the data in an array: 1) the ndarray itself, 2) the data-type object that describes the layout of a single fixed-size element of the array, 3) the array-scalar Python object that is returned when a single element of the array is accessed.

### 1.1 The N-dimensional array (*ndarray*)

An *ndarray* is a (usually fixed-size) multidimensional container of items of the same type and size. The number of dimensions and items in an array is defined by its *shape*, which is a *tuple* of  $N$  non-negative integers that specify the sizes of each dimension. The type of items in the array is specified by a separate *data-type object (dtype)*, one of which is associated with each ndarray.

As with other container objects in Python, the contents of an *ndarray* can be accessed and modified by *indexing or slicing* the array (using, for example,  $N$  integers), and via the methods and attributes of the *ndarray*.

Different `ndarrays` can share the same data, so that changes made in one `ndarray` may be visible in another. That is, an ndarray can be a “view” to another ndarray, and the data it is referring to is taken care of by the “*base*” ndarray. ndarrays can also be views to memory owned by Python `strings` or objects implementing the `buffer` or `array` interfaces.

### Example

A 2-dimensional array of size 2 x 3, composed of 4-byte integer elements:

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], np.int32)
>>> type(x)
<class 'numpy.ndarray'>
>>> x.shape
(2, 3)
>>> x.dtype
dtype('int32')
```

The array can be indexed using Python container-like syntax:

```
>>> # The element of x in the *second* row, *third* column, namely, 6.
>>> x[1, 2]
6
```

For example `slicing` can produce views of the array:

```
>>> y = x[:, 1]
>>> y
array([2, 5], dtype=int32)
>>> y[0] = 9 # this also changes the corresponding element in x
>>> y
array([9, 5], dtype=int32)
>>> x
array([[1, 9, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]], dtype=int32)
```

## 1.1.1 Constructing arrays

New arrays can be constructed using the routines detailed in [Array creation routines](#), and also by using the low-level `ndarray` constructor:

`ndarray(shape[, dtype, buffer, offset, ...])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.

`class numpy.ndarray(shape, dtype=float, buffer=None, offset=0, strides=None, order=None)`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

### Parameters

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****[array](#)**

Construct an array.

**[zeros](#)**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**[empty](#)**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**[dtype](#)**

Create a data-type.

**[numpy.typing.NDArray](#)**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is `None`, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [      nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

`T`

[ndarray] The transposed array.

`data`

[buffer] Python buffer object pointing to the start of the array's data.

`dtype`

[dtype object] Data-type of the array's elements.

`flags`

[dict] Information about the memory layout of the array.

`flat`

[numpy.flatiter object] A 1-D iterator over the array.

`imag`

[ndarray] The imaginary part of the array.

`real`

[ndarray] The real part of the array.

`size`

[int] Number of elements in the array.

`itemsize`

[int] Length of one array element in bytes.

`nbytes`

[int] Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.

`ndim`

[int] Number of array dimensions.

**`shape`**

[tuple of ints] Tuple of array dimensions.

**`strides`**

[tuple of ints] Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.

**`ctypes`**

[ctypes object] An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the ctypes module.

**`base`**

[ndarray] Base object if memory is from some other object.

**Methods**

<code>all([axis, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.
<code>any([axis, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns True if any of the elements of <i>a</i> evaluate to True.
<code>argmax([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Return indices of the maximum values along the given axis.
<code>argmin([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Return indices of the minimum values along the given axis.
<code>argpartition(kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would partition this array.
<code>argsort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would sort this array.
<code>astype(dtype[, order, casting, subok, copy])</code>	Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.
<code>byteswap([inplace])</code>	Swap the bytes of the array elements
<code>choose(choices[, out, mode])</code>	Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.
<code>clip([min, max, out])</code>	Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max].
<code>compress(condition[, axis, out])</code>	Return selected slices of this array along given axis.
<code>conj()</code>	Complex-conjugate all elements.
<code>conjugate()</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.
<code>copy([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array.
<code>cumprod([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of the elements along the given axis.
<code>cumsum([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of the elements along the given axis.
<code>diagonal([offset, axis1, axis2])</code>	Return specified diagonals.
<code>dump(file)</code>	Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file.
<code>dumps()</code>	Returns the pickle of the array as a string.
<code>fill(value)</code>	Fill the array with a scalar value.
<code>flatten([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.
<code>getfield(dtype[, offset])</code>	Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.
<code>item(*args)</code>	Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.
<code>itemset(*args)</code>	Insert scalar into an array (scalar is cast to array's dtype, if possible)
<code>max([axis, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return the maximum along a given axis.

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<code>mean([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.
<code>min([axis, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return the minimum along a given axis.
<code>newbyteorder([new_order])</code>	Return the array with the same data viewed with a different byte order.
<code>nonzero()</code>	Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
<code>partition(kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Rearranges the elements in the array in such a way that the value of the element in kth position is in the position it would be in a sorted array.
<code>prod([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, initial, ...])</code>	Return the product of the array elements over the given axis
<code>ptp([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Peak to peak (maximum - minimum) value along a given axis.
<code>put(indices, values[, mode])</code>	Set <code>a.flat[n] = values[n]</code> for all <code>n</code> in indices.
<code>ravel([order])</code>	Return a flattened array.
<code>repeat(repeats[, axis])</code>	Repeat elements of an array.
<code>reshape(shape[, order])</code>	Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.
<code>resize(new_shape[, refcheck])</code>	Change shape and size of array in-place.
<code>round([decimals, out])</code>	Return <code>a</code> with each element rounded to the given number of decimals.
<code>searchsorted(v[, side, sorter])</code>	Find indices where elements of <code>v</code> should be inserted in <code>a</code> to maintain order.
<code>setfield(val, dtype[, offset])</code>	Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.
<code>setflags([write, align, uic])</code>	Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.
<code>sort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Sort an array in-place.
<code>squeeze([axis])</code>	Remove axes of length one from <code>a</code> .
<code>std([axis, dtype, out, ddof, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.
<code>sum([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>swapaxes(axis1, axis2)</code>	Return a view of the array with <code>axis1</code> and <code>axis2</code> interchanged.
<code>take(indices[, axis, out, mode])</code>	Return an array formed from the elements of <code>a</code> at the given indices.
<code>tobytes([order])</code>	Construct Python bytes containing the raw data bytes in the array.
<code>tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Write array to a file as text or binary (default).
<code>tolist()</code>	Return the array as an <code>a.ndim</code> -levels deep nested list of Python scalars.
<code>tostring([order])</code>	A compatibility alias for <code>tobytes</code> , with exactly the same behavior.
<code>trace([offset, axis1, axis2, dtype, out])</code>	Return the sum along diagonals of the array.
<code>transpose(*axes)</code>	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.
<code>var([axis, dtype, out, ddof, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns the variance of the array elements, along given axis.
<code>view([dtype][, type])</code>	New view of array with the same data.

method

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```
ndarray.all (axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False, *, where=True)
```

Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.

Refer to [numpy.all](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.all](#)

equivalent function

method

```
ndarray.any (axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False, *, where=True)
```

Returns True if any of the elements of *a* evaluate to True.

Refer to [numpy.any](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.any](#)

equivalent function

method

```
ndarray.argmax (axis=None, out=None, *, keepdims=False)
```

Return indices of the maximum values along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.argmax](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.argmax](#)

equivalent function

method

```
ndarray.argmin (axis=None, out=None, *, keepdims=False)
```

Return indices of the minimum values along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.argmin](#) for detailed documentation.

See also:

[numpy.argmin](#)

equivalent function

method

```
ndarray.argpartition (kth, axis=-1, kind='introselect', order=None)
```

Returns the indices that would partition this array.

Refer to [numpy.argpartition](#) for full documentation.

New in version 1.8.0.

See also:

***numpy.argpartition***

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.argsort (axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Returns the indices that would sort this array.

Refer to [`numpy.argsort`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

***numpy.argsort***

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.astype (dtype, order='K', casting='unsafe', subok=True, copy=True)`

Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.

**Parameters****`dtype`**

[str or dtype] Typecode or data-type to which the array is cast.

**`order`**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout order of the result. 'C' means C order, 'F' means Fortran order, 'A' means 'F' order if all the arrays are Fortran contiguous, 'C' order otherwise, and 'K' means as close to the order the array elements appear in memory as possible. Default is 'K'.

**`casting`**

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur. Defaults to 'unsafe' for backwards compatibility.

- 'no' means the data types should not be cast at all.
- 'equiv' means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- 'safe' means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- 'same\_kind' means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- 'unsafe' means any data conversions may be done.

**`subok`**

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through (default), otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array.

**`copy`**

[bool, optional] By default, astype always returns a newly allocated array. If this is set to false, and the `dtype`, `order`, and `subok` requirements are satisfied, the input array is returned instead of a copy.

**Returns**

**arr\_t**

[ndarray] Unless `copy` is False and the other conditions for returning the input array are satisfied (see description for `copy` input parameter), `arr_t` is a new array of the same shape as the input array, with dtype, order given by `dtype`, `order`.

**Raises****ComplexWarning**

When casting from complex to float or int. To avoid this, one should use `a.real.astype(t)`.

**Notes**

Changed in version 1.17.0: Casting between a simple data type and a structured one is possible only for “unsafe” casting. Casting to multiple fields is allowed, but casting from multiple fields is not.

Changed in version 1.9.0: Casting from numeric to string types in ‘safe’ casting mode requires that the string dtype length is long enough to store the max integer/float value converted.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 2.5])
>>> x
array([1., 2., 2.5])
```

```
>>> x.astype(int)
array([1, 2, 2])
```

method

`ndarray.byteswap(inplace=False)`

Swap the bytes of the array elements

Toggle between low-endian and big-endian data representation by returning a byteswapped array, optionally swapped in-place. Arrays of byte-strings are not swapped. The real and imaginary parts of a complex number are swapped individually.

**Parameters****inplace**

[bool, optional] If `True`, swap bytes in-place, default is `False`.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The byteswapped array. If `inplace` is `True`, this is a view to self.

## Examples

```
>>> A = np.array([1, 256, 8755], dtype=np.int16)
>>> list(map(hex, A))
['0x1', '0x100', '0x2233']
>>> A.byteswap(inplace=True)
array([ 256,       1, 13090], dtype=int16)
>>> list(map(hex, A))
['0x100', '0x1', '0x3322']
```

Arrays of byte-strings are not swapped

```
>>> A = np.array([b'ceg', b'fac'])
>>> A.byteswap()
array([b'ceg', b'fac'], dtype='|S3')
```

**A.newbyteorder().byteswap() produces an array with the same values**

but different representation in memory

```
>>> A = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> A.view(np.uint8)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
      0, 0], dtype=uint8)
>>> A.newbyteorder().byteswap(inplace=True)
array([1, 2, 3])
>>> A.view(np.uint8)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
      0, 3], dtype=uint8)
```

method

`ndarray.choose(choices, out=None, mode='raise')`

Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.

Refer to [numpy.choose](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.choose`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.clip(min=None, max=None, out=None, **kwargs)`

Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max]. One of max or min must be given.

Refer to [numpy.clip](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.clip`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.compress (condition, axis=None, out=None)`

Return selected slices of this array along given axis.

Refer to [`numpy.compress`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.compress`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.conj ()`

Complex-conjugate all elements.

Refer to [`numpy.conjugate`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.conjugate`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.conjugate ()`

Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.

Refer to [`numpy.conjugate`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.conjugate`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.copy (order='C')`

Return a copy of the array.

### Parameters

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the copy. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible. (Note that this function and [`numpy.copy`](#) are very similar but have different default values for their order= arguments, and this function always passes sub-classes through.)

See also:

[`numpy.copy`](#)

Similar function with different default behavior

[`numpy.copyto`](#)

## Notes

This function is the preferred method for creating an array copy. The function `numpy.copy` is similar, but it defaults to using order 'K', and will not pass sub-classes through by default.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='F')
```

```
>>> y = x.copy()
```

```
>>> x.fill(0)
```

```
>>> x  
array([[0, 0, 0],  
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y  
array([[1, 2, 3],  
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> y.flags['C_CONTIGUOUS']  
True
```

method

`ndarray.cumprod` (*axis=None*, *dtype=None*, *out=None*)

Return the cumulative product of the elements along the given axis.

Refer to `numpy.cumprod` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.cumprod`

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.cumsum` (*axis=None*, *dtype=None*, *out=None*)

Return the cumulative sum of the elements along the given axis.

Refer to `numpy.cumsum` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.cumsum`

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.diagonal (offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1)`

Return specified diagonals. In NumPy 1.9 the returned array is a read-only view instead of a copy as in previous NumPy versions. In a future version the read-only restriction will be removed.

Refer to [numpy.diagonal](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.diagonal](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.dump (file)`

Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file. The array can be read back with `pickle.load` or `numpy.load`.

**Parameters**

**file**

[str or Path] A string naming the dump file.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

method

`ndarray.dumps ()`

Returns the pickle of the array as a string. `pickle.loads` will convert the string back to an array.

**Parameters**

**None**

method

`ndarray.fill (value)`

Fill the array with a scalar value.

**Parameters**

**value**

[scalar] All elements of  $a$  will be assigned this value.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2])
>>> a.fill(0)
>>> a
array([0, 0])
>>> a = np.empty(2)
>>> a.fill(1)
>>> a
array([1., 1.])
```

method

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`ndarray.flatten(order='C')`

Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.

#### Parameters

##### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] 'C' means to flatten in row-major (C-style) order. 'F' means to flatten in column-major (Fortran-style) order. 'A' means to flatten in column-major order if *a* is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, row-major order otherwise. 'K' means to flatten *a* in the order the elements occur in memory. The default is 'C'.

#### Returns

##### y

[ndarray] A copy of the input array, flattened to one dimension.

#### See also:

##### `ravel`

Return a flattened array.

##### `flat`

A 1-D flat iterator over the array.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> a.flatten()
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> a.flatten('F')
array([1, 3, 2, 4])
```

method

`ndarray.getfield(dtype, offset=0)`

Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.

A field is a view of the array data with a given data-type. The values in the view are determined by the given type and the offset into the current array in bytes. The offset needs to be such that the view dtype fits in the array dtype; for example an array of dtype complex128 has 16-byte elements. If taking a view with a 32-bit integer (4 bytes), the offset needs to be between 0 and 12 bytes.

#### Parameters

##### `dtype`

[str or dtype] The data type of the view. The dtype size of the view can not be larger than that of the array itself.

##### `offset`

[int] Number of bytes to skip before beginning the element view.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.diag([1.+1.j]*2)
>>> x[1, 1] = 2 + 4.j
>>> x
array([[1.+1.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  2.+4.j]])
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  2.]])
```

By choosing an offset of 8 bytes we can select the complex part of the array for our view:

```
>>> x.getfield(np.float64, offset=8)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  4.]])
```

method

`ndarray.item(*args)`

Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.

### Parameters

#### \*args

[Arguments (variable number and type)]

- none: in this case, the method only works for arrays with one element ( $a.size == 1$ ), which element is copied into a standard Python scalar object and returned.
- int\_type: this argument is interpreted as a flat index into the array, specifying which element to copy and return.
- tuple of int\_types: functions as does a single int\_type argument, except that the argument is interpreted as an nd-index into the array.

### Returns

#### `z`

[Standard Python scalar object] A copy of the specified element of the array as a suitable Python scalar

## Notes

When the data type of  $a$  is longdouble or clongdouble, item() returns a scalar array object because there is no available Python scalar that would not lose information. Void arrays return a buffer object for item(), unless fields are defined, in which case a tuple is returned.

`item` is very similar to `a[args]`, except, instead of an array scalar, a standard Python scalar is returned. This can be useful for speeding up access to elements of the array and doing arithmetic on elements of the array using Python's optimized math.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.item(3)
1
>>> x.item(7)
0
>>> x.item((0, 1))
2
>>> x.item((2, 2))
1
```

method

`ndarray.itemset (*args)`

Insert scalar into an array (scalar is cast to array's dtype, if possible)

There must be at least 1 argument, and define the last argument as *item*. Then, `a.itemset (*args)` is equivalent to but faster than `a[args] = item`. The item should be a scalar value and *args* must select a single item in the array *a*.

### Parameters

#### \*args

[Arguments] If one argument: a scalar, only used in case *a* is of size 1. If two arguments: the last argument is the value to be set and must be a scalar, the first argument specifies a single array element location. It is either an int or a tuple.

## Notes

Compared to indexing syntax, `itemset` provides some speed increase for placing a scalar into a particular location in an `ndarray`, if you must do this. However, generally this is discouraged: among other problems, it complicates the appearance of the code. Also, when using `itemset` (and `item`) inside a loop, be sure to assign the methods to a local variable to avoid the attribute look-up at each loop iteration.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.itemset(4, 0)
>>> x.itemset((2, 2), 9)
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 0, 6],
       [1, 0, 9]])
```

method

`ndarray.max (axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False, initial=<no value>, where=True)`

Return the maximum along a given axis.

Refer to [numpyamax](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpyamax`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.mean (axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=False, *, where=True)`

Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.

Refer to [numpymean](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpymean`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.min (axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False, initial=<no value>, where=True)`

Return the minimum along a given axis.

Refer to [numpyamin](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpyamin`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.newbyteorder (new_order='S', /)`

Return the array with the same data viewed with a different byte order.

Equivalent to:

```
arr.view(arr.dtype.newbyteorder(new_order))
```

Changes are also made in all fields and sub-arrays of the array data type.

## Parameters

### `new_order`

[string, optional] Byte order to force; a value from the byte order specifications below.  
`new_order` codes can be any of:

- ‘S’ - swap dtype from current to opposite endian
- {‘<’, ‘little’} - little endian
- {‘>’, ‘big’} - big endian

- {‘=’, ‘native’} - native order, equivalent to `sys.byteorder`
- {‘!’, ‘T’} - ignore (no change to byte order)

The default value (‘S’) results in swapping the current byte order.

## Returns

### `new_arr`

[array] New array object with the dtype reflecting given change to the byte order.

method

### `ndarray.nonzero()`

Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.

Refer to [numpy.nonzero](#) for full documentation.

See also:

### [numpy.nonzero](#)

equivalent function

method

### `ndarray.partition(kth, axis=-1, kind='introselect', order=None)`

Rearranges the elements in the array in such a way that the value of the element in kth position is in the position it would be in a sorted array. All elements smaller than the kth element are moved before this element and all equal or greater are moved behind it. The ordering of the elements in the two partitions is undefined.

New in version 1.8.0.

## Parameters

### `kth`

[int or sequence of ints] Element index to partition by. The kth element value will be in its final sorted position and all smaller elements will be moved before it and all equal or greater elements behind it. The order of all elements in the partitions is undefined. If provided with a sequence of kth it will partition all elements indexed by kth of them into their sorted position at once.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0: Passing booleans as index is deprecated.

### `axis`

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. Default is -1, which means sort along the last axis.

### `kind`

[{‘introselect’}, optional] Selection algorithm. Default is ‘introselect’.

### `order`

[str or list of str, optional] When  $a$  is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need to be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

See also:

[`numpy.partition`](#)

Return a partitioned copy of an array.

[`argpartition`](#)

Indirect partition.

[`sort`](#)

Full sort.

**Notes**

See `np.partition` for notes on the different algorithms.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([3, 4, 2, 1])
>>> a.partition(3)
>>> a
array([2, 1, 3, 4])
```

```
>>> a.partition((1, 3))
>>> a
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
```

method

`ndarray.prod` (*axis=None*, *dtype=None*, *out=None*, *keepdims=False*, *initial=1*, *where=True*)

Return the product of the array elements over the given axis

Refer to [`numpy.prod`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.prod`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.ptp` (*axis=None*, *out=None*, *keepdims=False*)

Peak to peak (maximum - minimum) value along a given axis.

Refer to [`numpy.ptp`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.ptp`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.put (indices, values, mode='raise')`  
Set `a.flat[n] = values[n]` for all  $n$  in indices.

Refer to [`numpy.put`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.put`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.ravel ([order])`

Return a flattened array.

Refer to [`numpy.ravel`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ravel`](#)

equivalent function

[`ndarray.flat`](#)

a flat iterator on the array.

method

`ndarray.repeat (repeats, axis=None)`

Repeat elements of an array.

Refer to [`numpy.repeat`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.repeat`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.reshape (shape, order='C')`

Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.

Refer to [`numpy.reshape`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.reshape`](#)

equivalent function

## Notes

Unlike the free function `numpy.reshape`, this method on `ndarray` allows the elements of the shape parameter to be passed in as separate arguments. For example, `a.reshape(10, 11)` is equivalent to `a.reshape((10, 11))`.

method

`ndarray.resize(new_shape, refcheck=True)`

Change shape and size of array in-place.

### Parameters

#### `new_shape`

[tuple of ints, or  $n$  ints] Shape of resized array.

#### `refcheck`

[bool, optional] If False, reference count will not be checked. Default is True.

### Returns

`None`

### Raises

#### `ValueError`

If  $a$  does not own its own data or references or views to it exist, and the data memory must be changed. PyPy only: will always raise if the data memory must be changed, since there is no reliable way to determine if references or views to it exist.

#### `SystemError`

If the `order` keyword argument is specified. This behaviour is a bug in NumPy.

### See also:

#### `resize`

Return a new array with the specified shape.

## Notes

This reallocates space for the data area if necessary.

Only contiguous arrays (data elements consecutive in memory) can be resized.

The purpose of the reference count check is to make sure you do not use this array as a buffer for another Python object and then reallocate the memory. However, reference counts can increase in other ways so if you are sure that you have not shared the memory for this array with another Python object, then you may safely set `refcheck` to False.

## Examples

Shrinking an array: array is flattened (in the order that the data are stored in memory), resized, and reshaped:

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='C')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [1]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='F')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [2]])
```

Enlarging an array: as above, but missing entries are filled with zeros:

```
>>> b = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]])
>>> b.resize(2, 3) # new_shape parameter doesn't have to be a tuple
>>> b
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 0, 0]])
```

Referencing an array prevents resizing...

```
>>> c = a
>>> a.resize((1, 1))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot resize an array that references or is referenced ...
```

Unless *refcheck* is False:

```
>>> a.resize((1, 1), refcheck=False)
>>> a
array([[0]])
>>> c
array([[0]])
```

method

`ndarray.round`(*decimals=0, out=None*)

Return *a* with each element rounded to the given number of decimals.

Refer to [numpy.around](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.around](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.searchsorted`(*v, side='left', sorter=None*)

Find indices where elements of *v* should be inserted in *a* to maintain order.

For full documentation, see [numpy.searchsorted](#)

See also:

[numpy.searchsorted](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.setfield(val, dtype, offset=0)`

Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.

Place *val* into *a*'s field defined by *dtype* and beginning *offset* bytes into the field.

### Parameters

#### val

[object] Value to be placed in field.

#### dtype

[dtype object] Data-type of the field in which to place *val*.

#### offset

[int, optional] The number of bytes into the field at which to place *val*.

### Returns

#### None

See also:

[getfield](#)

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.eye(3)
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
>>> x.setfield(3, np.int32)
>>> x.getfield(np.int32)
array([[3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3]], dtype=int32)
>>> x
array([[1.0e+000, 1.5e-323, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.0e+000, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.5e-323, 1.0e+000]])
>>> x.setfield(np.eye(3), np.int32)
>>> x
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
```

method

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```
ndarray.setflags (write=None, align=None, uic=None)
```

Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.

These Boolean-valued flags affect how numpy interprets the memory area used by *a* (see Notes below). The ALIGNED flag can only be set to True if the data is actually aligned according to the type. The WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag can never be set to True. The flag WRITEABLE can only be set to True if the array owns its own memory, or the ultimate owner of the memory exposes a writeable buffer interface, or is a string. (The exception for string is made so that unpickling can be done without copying memory.)

### Parameters

#### write

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* can be written to.

#### align

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is aligned properly for its type.

#### uic

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is a copy of another “base” array.

### Notes

Array flags provide information about how the memory area used for the array is to be interpreted. There are 7 Boolean flags in use, only four of which can be changed by the user: WRITEBACKIFCOPY, WRITEABLE, and ALIGNED.

WRITEABLE (W) the data area can be written to;

ALIGNED (A) the data and strides are aligned appropriately for the hardware (as determined by the compiler);

WRITEBACKIFCOPY (X) this array is a copy of some other array (referenced by .base). When the C-API function PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy is called, the base array will be updated with the contents of this array.

All flags can be accessed using the single (upper case) letter as well as the full name.

### Examples

```
>>> y = np.array([[3, 1, 7],
...                 [2, 0, 0],
...                 [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y
array([[3, 1, 7],
       [2, 0, 0],
       [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : True
ALIGNED : True
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(write=0, align=0)
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
```

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```
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : False
ALIGNED : False
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(uic=1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: cannot set WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag to True
```

method

`ndarray.sort(axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`Sort an array in-place. Refer to [numpy.sort](#) for full documentation.**Parameters****axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. Default is -1, which means sort along the last axis.

**kind**

[{'quicksort', 'mergesort', 'heapsort', 'stable'}, optional] Sorting algorithm. The default is 'quicksort'. Note that both 'stable' and 'mergesort' use timsort under the covers and, in general, the actual implementation will vary with datatype. The 'mergesort' option is retained for backwards compatibility.

Changed in version 1.15.0: The 'stable' option was added.

**order**[str or list of str, optional] When  $a$  is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.**See also:**[`numpy.sort`](#)

Return a sorted copy of an array.

[`numpy.argsort`](#)

Indirect sort.

[`numpy.lexsort`](#)

Indirect stable sort on multiple keys.

[`numpy.searchsorted`](#)

Find elements in sorted array.

[`numpy.partition`](#)

Partial sort.

## Notes

See [`numpy.sort`](#) for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 4], [3, 1]])
>>> a.sort(axis=1)
>>> a
array([[1, 4],
       [1, 3]])
>>> a.sort(axis=0)
>>> a
array([[1, 3],
       [1, 4]])
```

Use the `order` keyword to specify a field to use when sorting a structured array:

```
>>> a = np.array([('a', 2), ('c', 1)], dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', int)])
>>> a.sort(order='y')
>>> a
array([(b'c', 1), (b'a', 2)],
      dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', '<i8')])
```

method

`ndarray.squeeze(axis=None)`

Remove axes of length one from *a*.

Refer to [`numpy.squeeze`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.squeeze`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.std(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=False, *, where=True)`

Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.

Refer to [`numpy.std`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.std`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.sum(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=False, initial=0, where=True)`

Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.

Refer to [`numpy.sum`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

**`numpy.sum`**

equivalent function

method

**`ndarray.swapaxes (axis1, axis2)`**

Return a view of the array with *axis1* and *axis2* interchanged.

Refer to [`numpy.swapaxes`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.swapaxes`**

equivalent function

method

**`ndarray.take (indices, axis=None, out=None, mode='raise')`**

Return an array formed from the elements of *a* at the given indices.

Refer to [`numpy.take`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.take`**

equivalent function

method

**`ndarray.tobytes (order='C')`**

Construct Python bytes containing the raw data bytes in the array.

Constructs Python bytes showing a copy of the raw contents of data memory. The bytes object is produced in C-order by default. This behavior is controlled by the `order` parameter.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Parameters

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the bytes object. ‘C’ means C-order, ‘F’ means F-order, ‘A’ (short for *Any*) means ‘F’ if *a* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise. Default is ‘C’.

### Returns

**s**

[bytes] Python bytes exhibiting a copy of *a*’s raw data.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], dtype='<u2')
>>> x.tobytes()
b'\x00\x00\x01\x00\x02\x00\x03\x00'
>>> x.tobytes('C') == x.tobytes()
True
>>> x.tobytes('F')
b'\x00\x00\x02\x00\x01\x00\x03\x00'
```

method

`ndarray.tofile(fid, sep='', format='%s')`

Write array to a file as text or binary (default).

Data is always written in ‘C’ order, independent of the order of *a*. The data produced by this method can be recovered using the function `fromfile()`.

### Parameters

#### `fid`

[file or str or Path] An open file object, or a string containing a filename.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

#### `sep`

[str] Separator between array items for text output. If “” (empty), a binary file is written, equivalent to `file.write(a.tobytes())`.

#### `format`

[str] Format string for text file output. Each entry in the array is formatted to text by first converting it to the closest Python type, and then using “format” % item.

## Notes

This is a convenience function for quick storage of array data. Information on endianness and precision is lost, so this method is not a good choice for files intended to archive data or transport data between machines with different endianness. Some of these problems can be overcome by outputting the data as text files, at the expense of speed and file size.

When `fid` is a file object, array contents are directly written to the file, bypassing the file object’s `write` method. As a result, `tofile` cannot be used with files objects supporting compression (e.g., `GzipFile`) or file-like objects that do not support `fileno()` (e.g., `BytesIO`).

method

`ndarray.tolist()`

Return the array as an `a.ndim`-levels deep nested list of Python scalars.

Return a copy of the array data as a (nested) Python list. Data items are converted to the nearest compatible builtin Python type, via the `item` function.

If `a.ndim` is 0, then since the depth of the nested list is 0, it will not be a list at all, but a simple Python scalar.

### Parameters

**none****Returns****y**

[object, or list of object, or list of list of object, or ...] The possibly nested list of array elements.

**Notes**

The array may be recreated via `a = np.array(a.tolist())`, although this may sometimes lose precision.

**Examples**

For a 1D array, `a.tolist()` is almost the same as `list(a)`, except that `tolist` changes numpy scalars to Python scalars:

```
>>> a = np.uint32([1, 2])
>>> a_list = list(a)
>>> a_list
[1, 2]
>>> type(a_list[0])
<class 'numpy.uint32'>
>>> a_tolst = a.tolist()
>>> a_tolst
[1, 2]
>>> type(a_tolst[0])
<class 'int'>
```

Additionally, for a 2D array, `tolist` applies recursively:

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> list(a)
[array([1, 2]), array([3, 4])]
>>> a.tolist()
[[1, 2], [3, 4]]
```

The base case for this recursion is a 0D array:

```
>>> a = np.array(1)
>>> list(a)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: iteration over a 0-d array
>>> a.tolist()
1
```

method

`ndarray.tostring(order='C')`

A compatibility alias for `tobytes`, with exactly the same behavior.

Despite its name, it returns *bytes* not `strs`.

Deprecated since version 1.19.0.

method

`ndarray.trace (offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the sum along diagonals of the array.

Refer to [numpy.trace](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.trace](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.transpose (*axes)`

Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.

For a 1-D array this has no effect, as a transposed vector is simply the same vector. To convert a 1-D array into a 2D column vector, an additional dimension must be added. `np.atleast2d(a).T` achieves this, as does `a[:, np.newaxis]`. For a 2-D array, this is a standard matrix transpose. For an n-D array, if axes are given, their order indicates how the axes are permuted (see Examples). If axes are not provided and `a.shape = (i[0], i[1], ... i[n-2], i[n-1])`, then `a.transpose().shape = (i[n-1], i[n-2], ... i[1], i[0])`.

### Parameters

#### axes

[None, tuple of ints, or  $n$  ints]

- None or no argument: reverses the order of the axes.
- tuple of ints:  $i$  in the  $j$ -th place in the tuple means  $a$ 's  $i$ -th axis becomes  $a.transpose()$ 's  $j$ -th axis.
- $n$  ints: same as an  $n$ -tuple of the same ints (this form is intended simply as a “convenience” alternative to the tuple form)

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] View of  $a$ , with axes suitably permuted.

**See also:**

[transpose](#)

Equivalent function

[ndarray.T](#)

Array property returning the array transposed.

[ndarray.reshape](#)

Give a new shape to an array without changing its data.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> a
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
>>> a.transpose()
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose((1, 0))
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose(1, 0)
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
```

method

`ndarray.var (axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=False, *, where=True)`

Returns the variance of the array elements, along given axis.

Refer to [numpy.var](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.var](#)

equivalent function

method

`ndarray.view ([dtype][, type])`

New view of array with the same data.

---

**Note:** Passing `None` for `dtype` is different from omitting the parameter, since the former invokes `dtype(None)` which is an alias for `dtype('float_')`.

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## Parameters

### `dtype`

[data-type or ndarray sub-class, optional] Data-type descriptor of the returned view, e.g., `float32` or `int16`. Omitting it results in the view having the same data-type as `a`. This argument can also be specified as an ndarray sub-class, which then specifies the type of the returned object (this is equivalent to setting the `type` parameter).

### `type`

[Python type, optional] Type of the returned view, e.g., `ndarray` or `matrix`. Again, omission of the parameter results in type preservation.

## Notes

`a.view()` is used two different ways:

`a.view(some_dtype)` or `a.view(dtype=some_dtype)` constructs a view of the array's memory with a different data-type. This can cause a reinterpretation of the bytes of memory.

`a.view(ndarray_subclass)` or `a.view(type=ndarray_subclass)` just returns an instance of `ndarray_subclass` that looks at the same array (same shape, dtype, etc.) This does not cause a reinterpretation of the memory.

For `a.view(some_dtype)`, if `some_dtype` has a different number of bytes per entry than the previous dtype (for example, converting a regular array to a structured array), then the last axis of `a` must be contiguous. This axis will be resized in the result.

Changed in version 1.23.0: Only the last axis needs to be contiguous. Previously, the entire array had to be C-contiguous.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
```

Viewing array data using a different type and dtype:

```
>>> y = x.view(dtype=np.int16, type=np.matrix)
>>> y
matrix([[513]], dtype=int16)
>>> print(type(y))
<class 'numpy.matrix'>
```

Creating a view on a structured array so it can be used in calculations

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
>>> xv = x.view(dtype=np.int8).reshape(-1, 2)
>>> xv
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]], dtype=int8)
>>> xv.mean(0)
array([2., 3.])
```

Making changes to the view changes the underlying array

```
>>> xv[0, 1] = 20
>>> x
array([(1, 20), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', 'i1'), ('b', 'i1')])
```

Using a view to convert an array to a recarray:

```
>>> z = x.view(np.recarray)
>>> z.a
array([1, 3], dtype=int8)
```

Views share data:

```
>>> x[0] = (9, 10)
>>> z[0]
(9, 10)
```

Views that change the dtype size (bytes per entry) should normally be avoided on arrays defined by slices, transposes, fortran-ordering, etc.:

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], dtype=np.int16)
>>> y = x[:, ::2]
>>> y
array([[1, 3],
       [4, 6]], dtype=int16)
>>> y.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: To change to a dtype of a different size, the last axis must be contiguous
>>> z = y.copy()
>>> z.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
array([(1, 3),
       (4, 6)], dtype=[('width', '<i2'), ('length', '<i2')])
```

However, views that change dtype are totally fine for arrays with a contiguous last axis, even if the rest of the axes are not C-contiguous:

```
>>> x = np.arange(2 * 3 * 4, dtype=np.int8).reshape(2, 3, 4)
>>> x.transpose(1, 0, 2).view(np.int16)
array([[ [256, 770],
         [3340, 3854]],
       [[1284, 1798],
        [4368, 4882]],
       [[2312, 2826],
        [5396, 5910]]], dtype=int16)
```

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## 1.1.2 Indexing arrays

Arrays can be indexed using an extended Python slicing syntax, `array[selection]`. Similar syntax is also used for accessing fields in a structured data type.

**See also:**

[Array Indexing](#).

## 1.1.3 Internal memory layout of an ndarray

An instance of class `ndarray` consists of a contiguous one-dimensional segment of computer memory (owned by the array, or by some other object), combined with an indexing scheme that maps  $N$  integers into the location of an item in the block. The ranges in which the indices can vary is specified by the `shape` of the array. How many bytes each item takes and how the bytes are interpreted is defined by the `data-type object` associated with the array.

A segment of memory is inherently 1-dimensional, and there are many different schemes for arranging the items of an  $N$ -dimensional array in a 1-dimensional block. NumPy is flexible, and `ndarray` objects can accommodate any *strided*

*indexing scheme.* In a strided scheme, the N-dimensional index  $(n_0, n_1, \dots, n_{N-1})$  corresponds to the offset (in bytes):

$$n_{\text{offset}} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} s_k n_k$$

from the beginning of the memory block associated with the array. Here,  $s_k$  are integers which specify the *strides* of the array. The column-major order (used, for example, in the Fortran language and in *Matlab*) and row-major order (used in C) schemes are just specific kinds of strided scheme, and correspond to memory that can be *addressed* by the strides:

$$s_k^{\text{column}} = \text{itemsize} \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} d_j, \quad s_k^{\text{row}} = \text{itemsize} \prod_{j=k+1}^{N-1} d_j.$$

where  $d_j = \text{self.shape}[j]$ .

Both the C and Fortran orders are contiguous, *i.e.*, single-segment, memory layouts, in which every part of the memory block can be accessed by some combination of the indices.

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**Note:** *Contiguous arrays* and *single-segment arrays* are synonymous and are used interchangeably throughout the documentation.

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While a C-style and Fortran-style contiguous array, which has the corresponding flags set, can be addressed with the above strides, the actual strides may be different. This can happen in two cases:

1. If `self.shape[k] == 1` then for any legal index `index[k] == 0`. This means that in the formula for the offset  $n_k = 0$  and thus  $s_k n_k = 0$  and the value of  $s_k = \text{self.strides}[k]$  is arbitrary.
2. If an array has no elements (`self.size == 0`) there is no legal index and the strides are never used. Any array with no elements may be considered C-style and Fortran-style contiguous.

Point 1. means that `self` and `self.squeeze()` always have the same contiguity and aligned flags value. This also means that even a high dimensional array could be C-style and Fortran-style contiguous at the same time.

An array is considered aligned if the memory offsets for all elements and the base offset itself is a multiple of `self.itemsize`. Understanding *memory-alignment* leads to better performance on most hardware.

**Warning:** It does *not* generally hold that `self.strides[-1] == self.itemsize` for C-style contiguous arrays or `self.strides[0] == self.itemsize` for Fortran-style contiguous arrays is true.

`NPY_RELAXED_STRIDES_DEBUG=1` can be used to help find errors when incorrectly relying on the strides in C-extension code (see below warning).

Data in new `ndarrays` is in the row-major (C) order, unless otherwise specified, but, for example, *basic array slicing* often produces views in a different scheme.

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**Note:** Several algorithms in NumPy work on arbitrarily strided arrays. However, some algorithms require single-segment arrays. When an irregularly strided array is passed in to such algorithms, a copy is automatically made.

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## 1.1.4 Array attributes

Array attributes reflect information that is intrinsic to the array itself. Generally, accessing an array through its attributes allows you to get and sometimes set intrinsic properties of the array without creating a new array. The exposed attributes are the core parts of an array and only some of them can be reset meaningfully without creating a new array. Information on each attribute is given below.

### Memory layout

The following attributes contain information about the memory layout of the array:

<code>ndarray.flags</code>	Information about the memory layout of the array.
<code>ndarray.shape</code>	Tuple of array dimensions.
<code>ndarray.strides</code>	Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.
<code>ndarray.ndim</code>	Number of array dimensions.
<code>ndarray.data</code>	Python buffer object pointing to the start of the array's data.
<code>ndarray.size</code>	Number of elements in the array.
<code>ndarray.itemsize</code>	Length of one array element in bytes.
<code>ndarray.nbytes</code>	Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.
<code>ndarray.base</code>	Base object if memory is from some other object.

attribute

#### `ndarray.flags`

Information about the memory layout of the array.

### Notes

The `flags` object can be accessed dictionary-like (as in `a.flags['WRITEABLE']`), or by using lowercased attribute names (as in `a.flags.writeable`). Short flag names are only supported in dictionary access.

Only the WRITEBACKIFCOPY, WRITEABLE, and ALIGNED flags can be changed by the user, via direct assignment to the attribute or dictionary entry, or by calling `ndarray.setflags`.

The array flags cannot be set arbitrarily:

- WRITEBACKIFCOPY can only be set `False`.
- ALIGNED can only be set `True` if the data is truly aligned.
- WRITEABLE can only be set `True` if the array owns its own memory or the ultimate owner of the memory exposes a writeable buffer interface or is a string.

Arrays can be both C-style and Fortran-style contiguous simultaneously. This is clear for 1-dimensional arrays, but can also be true for higher dimensional arrays.

Even for contiguous arrays a stride for a given dimension `arr.strides[dim]` may be *arbitrary* if `arr.shape[dim] == 1` or the array has no elements. It does *not* generally hold that `self.strides[-1] == self.itemsize` for C-style contiguous arrays or `self.strides[0] == self.itemsize` for Fortran-style contiguous arrays is true.

### Attributes

**C\_CONTIGUOUS (C)**

The data is in a single, C-style contiguous segment.

**F\_CONTIGUOUS (F)**

The data is in a single, Fortran-style contiguous segment.

**OWNDATA (O)**

The array owns the memory it uses or borrows it from another object.

**WRITEABLE (W)**

The data area can be written to. Setting this to False locks the data, making it read-only. A view (slice, etc.) inherits WRITEABLE from its base array at creation time, but a view of a writeable array may be subsequently locked while the base array remains writeable. (The opposite is not true, in that a view of a locked array may not be made writeable. However, currently, locking a base object does not lock any views that already reference it, so under that circumstance it is possible to alter the contents of a locked array via a previously created writeable view onto it.) Attempting to change a non-writeable array raises a RuntimeError exception.

**ALIGNED (A)**

The data and all elements are aligned appropriately for the hardware.

**WRITEBACKIFCOPY (X)**

This array is a copy of some other array. The C-API function PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy must be called before deallocating to the base array will be updated with the contents of this array.

**FNC**

F\_CONTIGUOUS and not C\_CONTIGUOUS.

**FORC**

F\_CONTIGUOUS or C\_CONTIGUOUS (one-segment test).

**BEHAVED (B)**

ALIGNED and WRITEABLE.

**CARRAY (CA)**

BEHAVED and C\_CONTIGUOUS.

**FARRAY (FA)**

BEHAVED and F\_CONTIGUOUS and not C\_CONTIGUOUS.

attribute

**ndarray.shape**

Tuple of array dimensions.

The shape property is usually used to get the current shape of an array, but may also be used to reshape the array in-place by assigning a tuple of array dimensions to it. As with `numpy.reshape`, one of the new shape dimensions can be -1, in which case its value is inferred from the size of the array and the remaining dimensions. Reshaping an array in-place will fail if a copy is required.

**Warning:** Setting `arr.shape` is discouraged and may be deprecated in the future. Using `ndarray.reshape` is the preferred approach.

See also:

[`numpy.shape`](#)

Equivalent getter function.

[`numpy.reshape`](#)

Function similar to setting `shape`.

[`ndarray.reshape`](#)

Method similar to setting `shape`.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> x.shape
(4,)
>>> y = np.zeros((2, 3, 4))
>>> y.shape
(2, 3, 4)
>>> y.shape = (3, 8)
>>> y
array([[ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.]])
>>> y.shape = (3, 6)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: total size of new array must be unchanged
>>> np.zeros((4,2))[:,2].shape = (-1,)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
AttributeError: Incompatible shape for in-place modification. Use
`reshape()` to make a copy with the desired shape.
```

attribute

`ndarray.strides`

Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.

The byte offset of element (`i[0]`, `i[1]`, ..., `i[n]`) in an array `a` is:

```
offset = sum(np.array(i) * a.strides)
```

A more detailed explanation of strides can be found in the “`ndarray.rst`” file in the NumPy reference guide.

**Warning:** Setting `arr.strides` is discouraged and may be deprecated in the future. `numpy.lib.stride_tricks.as_strided` should be preferred to create a new view of the same data in a safer way.

See also:

**`numpy.lib.stride_tricks.as_strided`****Notes**

Imagine an array of 32-bit integers (each 4 bytes):

```
x = np.array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
              [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]], dtype=np.int32)
```

This array is stored in memory as 40 bytes, one after the other (known as a contiguous block of memory). The strides of an array tell us how many bytes we have to skip in memory to move to the next position along a certain axis. For example, we have to skip 4 bytes (1 value) to move to the next column, but 20 bytes (5 values) to get to the same position in the next row. As such, the strides for the array `x` will be `(20, 4)`.

**Examples**

```
>>> y = np.reshape(np.arange(2*3*4), (2,3,4))
>>> y
array([[[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]],
      [[12, 13, 14, 15],
       [16, 17, 18, 19],
       [20, 21, 22, 23]])]
>>> y.strides
(48, 16, 4)
>>> y[1,1,1]
17
>>> offset=sum(y.strides * np.array((1,1,1)))
>>> offset/y.itemsize
17
```

```
>>> x = np.reshape(np.arange(5*6*7*8), (5,6,7,8)).transpose(2,3,1,0)
>>> x.strides
(32, 4, 224, 1344)
>>> i = np.array([3,5,2,2])
>>> offset = sum(i * x.strides)
>>> x[3,5,2,2]
813
>>> offset / x.itemsize
813
```

attribute

**`ndarray.ndim`**

Number of array dimensions.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> x.ndim
1
>>> y = np.zeros((2, 3, 4))
>>> y.ndim
3
```

attribute

`ndarray.data`

Python buffer object pointing to the start of the array's data.

attribute

`ndarray.size`

Number of elements in the array.

Equal to `np.prod(a.shape)`, i.e., the product of the array's dimensions.

## Notes

`a.size` returns a standard arbitrary precision Python integer. This may not be the case with other methods of obtaining the same value (like the suggested `np.prod(a.shape)`, which returns an instance of `np.int_`), and may be relevant if the value is used further in calculations that may overflow a fixed size integer type.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.zeros((3, 5, 2), dtype=np.complex128)
>>> x.size
30
>>> np.prod(x.shape)
30
```

attribute

`ndarray.itemsize`

Length of one array element in bytes.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1,2,3], dtype=np.float64)
>>> x.itemsize
8
>>> x = np.array([1,2,3], dtype=np.complex128)
>>> x.itemsize
16
```

attribute

`ndarray.nbytes`

Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.

## Notes

Does not include memory consumed by non-element attributes of the array object.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.zeros((3,5,2), dtype=np.complex128)
>>> x.nbytes
480
>>> np.prod(x.shape) * x.itemsize
480
```

attribute

`ndarray.base`

Base object if memory is from some other object.

## Examples

The base of an array that owns its memory is `None`:

```
>>> x = np.array([1,2,3,4])
>>> x.base is None
True
```

Slicing creates a view, whose memory is shared with `x`:

```
>>> y = x[2:]
>>> y.base is x
True
```

## Data type

### See also:

*Data type objects*

The data type object associated with the array can be found in the `dtype` attribute:

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<code>ndarray.dtype</code>	Data-type of the array's elements.
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attribute

`ndarray.dtype`

Data-type of the array's elements.

**Warning:** Setting `arr.dtype` is discouraged and may be deprecated in the future. Setting will replace the `dtype` without modifying the memory (see also `ndarray.view` and `ndarray.astype`).

## Parameters

`None`

**Returns****d**

[numpy dtype object]

**See also:**[`ndarray.astype`](#)

Cast the values contained in the array to a new data-type.

[`ndarray.view`](#)

Create a view of the same data but a different data-type.

[`numpy.dtype`](#)**Examples**

```
>>> x
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
>>> x.dtype
dtype('int32')
>>> type(x.dtype)
<type 'numpy.dtype'>
```

**Other attributes**

<a href="#"><code>ndarray.T</code></a>	The transposed array.
<a href="#"><code>ndarray.real</code></a>	The real part of the array.
<a href="#"><code>ndarray.imag</code></a>	The imaginary part of the array.
<a href="#"><code>ndarray.flat</code></a>	A 1-D iterator over the array.

attribute

[`ndarray.T`](#)

The transposed array.

Same as `self.transpose()`.**See also:**[`transpose`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1., 2.], [3., 4.]])
>>> x
array([[ 1.,  2.],
       [ 3.,  4.]])
>>> x.T
array([[ 1.,  3.],
       [ 2.,  4.]])
>>> x = np.array([1., 2., 3., 4.])
>>> x
array([ 1.,  2.,  3.,  4.])
>>> x.T
array([ 1.,  2.,  3.,  4.])
```

attribute

`ndarray.real`

The real part of the array.

See also:

`numpy.real`

equivalent function

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.sqrt([1+0j, 0+1j])
>>> x.real
array([ 1.           ,  0.70710678])
>>> x.real.dtype
dtype('float64')
```

attribute

`ndarray.imag`

The imaginary part of the array.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.sqrt([1+0j, 0+1j])
>>> x.imag
array([ 0.           ,  0.70710678])
>>> x.imag.dtype
dtype('float64')
```

attribute

`ndarray.flat`

A 1-D iterator over the array.

This is a `numpy.flatiter` instance, which acts similarly to, but is not a subclass of, Python's built-in iterator object.

See also:

**`flatten`**

Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.

**`flatiter`****Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(1, 7).reshape(2, 3)
>>> x
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
>>> x.flat[3]
4
>>> x.T
array([[1, 4],
       [2, 5],
       [3, 6]])
>>> x.T.flat[3]
5
>>> type(x.flat)
<class 'numpy.flatiter'>
```

An assignment example:

```
>>> x.flat = 3; x
array([[3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3]])
>>> x.flat[[1,4]] = 1; x
array([[3, 1, 3],
       [3, 1, 3]])
```

**Array interface****See also:**

*The array interface protocol.*

<code>__array_interface__</code>	Python-side of the array interface
<code>__array_struct__</code>	C-side of the array interface

**ctypes foreign function interface****`ndarray.ctypes`**

An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the `ctypes` module.

attribute

**`ndarray.ctypes`**

An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the `ctypes` module.

This attribute creates an object that makes it easier to use arrays when calling shared libraries with the `ctypes` module. The returned object has, among others, `data`, `shape`, and `strides` attributes (see Notes below) which themselves return `ctypes` objects that can be used as arguments to a shared library.

**Parameters****None****Returns****c**

[Python object] Possessing attributes data, shape, strides, etc.

**See also:**[`numpy.ctypeslib`](#)**Notes**

Below are the public attributes of this object which were documented in “Guide to NumPy” (we have omitted undocumented public attributes, as well as documented private attributes):

**\_ctypes.data**

A pointer to the memory area of the array as a Python integer. This memory area may contain data that is not aligned, or not in correct byte-order. The memory area may not even be writeable. The array flags and data-type of this array should be respected when passing this attribute to arbitrary C-code to avoid trouble that can include Python crashing. User Beware! The value of this attribute is exactly the same as `self._array_interface_['data'][0]`.

Note that unlike `data_as`, a reference will not be kept to the array: code like `ctypes.c_void_p((a + b).ctypes.data)` will result in a pointer to a deallocated array, and should be spelt `(a + b).ctypes.data_as(ctypes.c_void_p)`

**\_ctypes.shape**

`(c_intp*self.ndim)`: A ctypes array of length `self.ndim` where the basetype is the C-integer corresponding to `dtype('p')` on this platform (see [`c\_intp`](#)). This base-type could be `ctypes.c_int`, `ctypes.c_long`, or `ctypes.c_longlong` depending on the platform. The ctypes array contains the shape of the underlying array.

**\_ctypes.strides**

`(c_intp*self.ndim)`: A ctypes array of length `self.ndim` where the basetype is the same as for the shape attribute. This ctypes array contains the strides information from the underlying array. This strides information is important for showing how many bytes must be jumped to get to the next element in the array.

**\_ctypes.data\_as(*obj*)**

Return the data pointer cast to a particular c-types object. For example, calling `self._as_parameter_` is equivalent to `self.data_as(ctypes.c_void_p)`. Perhaps you want to use the data as a pointer to a ctypes array of floating-point data: `self.data_as(ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_double))`.

The returned pointer will keep a reference to the array.

**\_ctypes.shape\_as(*obj*)**

Return the shape tuple as an array of some other c-types type. For example: `self.shape_as(ctypes.c_short)`.

**\_ctypes.strides\_as(*obj*)**

Return the strides tuple as an array of some other c-types type. For example: `self.strides_as(ctypes.c_longlong)`.

If the `ctypes` module is not available, then the `ctypes` attribute of array objects still returns something useful, but `ctypes` objects are not returned and errors may be raised instead. In particular, the object will still have the `as_parameter` attribute which will return an integer equal to the `data` attribute.

## Examples

```
>>> import ctypes
>>> x = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], dtype=np.int32)
>>> x
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]], dtype=int32)
>>> x.ctypes.data
31962608 # may vary
>>> x.ctypes.data_as(ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_uint32))
<__main__.LP_c_uint object at 0x7ff2fc1fc200> # may vary
>>> x.ctypes.data_as(ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_uint32)).contents
c_uint(0)
>>> x.ctypes.data_as(ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_uint64)).contents
c_ulong(4294967296)
>>> x.ctypes.shape
<numpy.core._internal.c_long_Array_2 object at 0x7ff2fc1fce60> # may vary
>>> x.ctypes.strides
<numpy.core._internal.c_long_Array_2 object at 0x7ff2fc1ff320> # may vary
```

## 1.1.5 Array methods

An `ndarray` object has many methods which operate on or with the array in some fashion, typically returning an array result. These methods are briefly explained below. (Each method's docstring has a more complete description.)

For the following methods there are also corresponding functions in `numpy`: `all`, `any`, `argmax`, `argmin`, `argpartition`, `argsort`, `choose`, `clip`, `compress`, `copy`, `cumprod`, `cumsum`, `diagonal`, `imag`, `max`, `mean`, `min`, `nonzero`, `partition`, `prod`, `ptp`, `put`, `ravel`, `real`, `repeat`, `reshape`, `round`, `searchsorted`, `sort`, `squeeze`, `std`, `sum`, `swapaxes`, `take`, `trace`, `transpose`, `var`.

## Array conversion

<code>ndarray.item(*args)</code>	Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.
<code>ndarray.tolist()</code>	Return the array as an <code>a.ndim</code> -levels deep nested list of Python scalars.
<code>ndarray.itemset(*args)</code>	Insert scalar into an array (scalar is cast to array's dtype, if possible)
<code>ndarray.tostring([order])</code>	A compatibility alias for <code>tobytes</code> , with exactly the same behavior.
<code>ndarray.tobytes([order])</code>	Construct Python bytes containing the raw data bytes in the array.
<code>ndarray.tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Write array to a file as text or binary (default).
<code>ndarray.dump(file)</code>	Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file.
<code>ndarray.dumps()</code>	Returns the pickle of the array as a string.
<code>ndarray.astype(dtype[, order, casting, ...])</code>	Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.
<code>ndarray.byteswap([inplace])</code>	Swap the bytes of the array elements
<code>ndarray.copy([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array.
<code>ndarray.view([dtype][, type])</code>	New view of array with the same data.
<code>ndarray.getfield(dtype[, offset])</code>	Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.
<code>ndarray.setflags([write, align, uic])</code>	Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.
<code>ndarray.fill(value)</code>	Fill the array with a scalar value.

## Shape manipulation

For reshape, resize, and transpose, the single tuple argument may be replaced with `n` integers which will be interpreted as an `n`-tuple.

<code>ndarray.reshape(shape[, order])</code>	Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.
<code>ndarray.resize(new_shape[, refcheck])</code>	Change shape and size of array in-place.
<code>ndarray.transpose(*axes)</code>	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.
<code>ndarray.swapaxes(axis1, axis2)</code>	Return a view of the array with <code>axis1</code> and <code>axis2</code> interchanged.
<code>ndarray.flatten([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.
<code>ndarray.ravel([order])</code>	Return a flattened array.
<code>ndarray.squeeze([axis])</code>	Remove axes of length one from <code>a</code> .

## Item selection and manipulation

For array methods that take an `axis` keyword, it defaults to `None`. If `axis` is `None`, then the array is treated as a 1-D array. Any other value for `axis` represents the dimension along which the operation should proceed.

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<code>ndarray.take(indices[, axis, out, mode])</code>	Return an array formed from the elements of <i>a</i> at the given indices.
<code>ndarray.put(indices, values[, mode])</code>	Set <i>a.flat[n] = values[n]</i> for all <i>n</i> in indices.
<code>ndarray.repeat(repeats[, axis])</code>	Repeat elements of an array.
<code>ndarray.choose(choices[, out, mode])</code>	Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.
<code>ndarray.sort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Sort an array in-place.
<code>ndarray.argsort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would sort this array.
<code>ndarray.partition(kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Rearranges the elements in the array in such a way that the value of the element in <i>kth</i> position is in the position it would be in a sorted array.
<code>ndarray.argpartition(kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would partition this array.
<code>ndarray.searchsorted(v[, side, sorter])</code>	Find indices where elements of <i>v</i> should be inserted in a to maintain order.
<code>ndarray.nonzero()</code>	Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
<code>ndarray.compress(condition[, axis, out])</code>	Return selected slices of this array along given axis.
<code>ndarray.diagonal([offset, axis1, axis2])</code>	Return specified diagonals.

---

## Calculation

Many of these methods take an argument named *axis*. In such cases,

- If *axis* is *None* (the default), the array is treated as a 1-D array and the operation is performed over the entire array. This behavior is also the default if *self* is a 0-dimensional array or array scalar. (An array scalar is an instance of the types/classes float32, float64, etc., whereas a 0-dimensional array is an ndarray instance containing precisely one array scalar.)
- If *axis* is an integer, then the operation is done over the given axis (for each 1-D subarray that can be created along the given axis).

---

### Example of the *axis* argument

A 3-dimensional array of size 3 x 3 x 3, summed over each of its three axes

```
>>> x = np.arange(27).reshape((3,3,3))
>>> x
array([[[ 0,  1,  2],
       [ 3,  4,  5],
       [ 6,  7,  8]],
      [[ 9, 10, 11],
       [12, 13, 14],
       [15, 16, 17]],
      [[18, 19, 20],
       [21, 22, 23],
       [24, 25, 26]]])
>>> x.sum(axis=0)
array([[27, 30, 33],
       [36, 39, 42],
       [45, 48, 51]])
>>> # for sum, axis is the first keyword, so we may omit it,
>>> # specifying only its value
>>> x.sum(0), x.sum(1), x.sum(2)
(array([[27, 30, 33],
       [36, 39, 42],
       [45, 48, 51]]),
```

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```
[45, 48, 51]],  
array([[ 9, 12, 15],  
       [36, 39, 42],  
       [63, 66, 69]]),  
array([[ 3, 12, 21],  
       [30, 39, 48],  
       [57, 66, 75]]))
```

The parameter *dtype* specifies the data type over which a reduction operation (like summing) should take place. The default reduce data type is the same as the data type of *self*. To avoid overflow, it can be useful to perform the reduction using a larger data type.

For several methods, an optional *out* argument can also be provided and the result will be placed into the output array given. The *out* argument must be an *ndarray* and have the same number of elements. It can have a different data type in which case casting will be performed.

<code>ndarray.max([axis, out, keepdims, initial, ...])</code>	Return the maximum along a given axis.
<code>ndarray.argmax([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Return indices of the maximum values along the given axis.
<code>ndarray.min([axis, out, keepdims, initial, ...])</code>	Return the minimum along a given axis.
<code>ndarray.argmin([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Return indices of the minimum values along the given axis.
<code>ndarray.ptp([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Peak to peak (maximum - minimum) value along a given axis.
<code>ndarray.clip([min, max, out])</code>	Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max].
<code>ndarray.conj()</code>	Complex-conjugate all elements.
<code>ndarray.round([decimals, out])</code>	Return <i>a</i> with each element rounded to the given number of decimals.
<code>ndarray.trace([offset, axis1, axis2, dtype, out])</code>	Return the sum along diagonals of the array.
<code>ndarray.sum([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, ...])</code>	Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ndarray.cumsum([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of the elements along the given axis.
<code>ndarray.mean([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.
<code>ndarray.var([axis, dtype, out, ddof, ...])</code>	Returns the variance of the array elements, along given axis.
<code>ndarray.std([axis, dtype, out, ddof, ...])</code>	Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.
<code>ndarray.prod([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, ...])</code>	Return the product of the array elements over the given axis
<code>ndarray.cumprod([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of the elements along the given axis.
<code>ndarray.all([axis, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.
<code>ndarray.any([axis, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns True if any of the elements of <i>a</i> evaluate to True.

## 1.1.6 Arithmetic, matrix multiplication, and comparison operations

Arithmetic and comparison operations on `ndarrays` are defined as element-wise operations, and generally yield `ndarray` objects as results.

Each of the arithmetic operations (`+`, `-`, `*`, `/`, `//`, `%`, `divmod()`, `**` or `pow()`, `<<`, `>>`, `&`, `^`, `|`, `~`) and the comparisons (`==`, `<`, `>`, `<=`, `>=`, `!=`) is equivalent to the corresponding universal function (or ufunc for short) in NumPy. For more information, see the section on [Universal Functions](#).

Comparison operators:

<code>ndarray.__lt__(value, /)</code>	Return self<value.
<code>ndarray.__le__(value, /)</code>	Return self<=value.
<code>ndarray.__gt__(value, /)</code>	Return self>value.
<code>ndarray.__ge__(value, /)</code>	Return self>=value.
<code>ndarray.__eq__(value, /)</code>	Return self==value.
<code>ndarray.__ne__(value, /)</code>	Return self!=value.

method

```
ndarray.__lt__(value, /)
    Return self<value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__le__(value, /)
    Return self<=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__gt__(value, /)
    Return self>value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__ge__(value, /)
    Return self>=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__eq__(value, /)
    Return self==value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__ne__(value, /)
    Return self!=value.
```

Truth value of an array (`bool()`):

<code>ndarray.__bool__(/)</code>	True if self else False
<code>ndarray.__bool__(/)</code>	True if self else False

---

**Note:** Truth-value testing of an array invokes `ndarray.__bool__()`, which raises an error if the number of elements in the array is larger than 1, because the truth value of such arrays is ambiguous. Use `.any()` and `.all()` instead to be clear about what is meant in such cases. (If the number of elements is 0, the array evaluates to `False`.)

---

Unary operations:

<code>ndarray.__neg__(/)</code>	-self
<code>ndarray.__pos__(/)</code>	+self
<code>ndarray.__abs__(self)</code>	
<code>ndarray.__invert__(/)</code>	~self

method

`ndarray.__neg__(/)`  
-self

method

`ndarray.__pos__(/)`  
+self

method

`ndarray.__abs__(self)`

method

`ndarray.__invert__(/)`  
~self

Arithmetic:

<code>ndarray.__add__(value, /)</code>	Return self+value.
<code>ndarray.__sub__(value, /)</code>	Return self-value.
<code>ndarray.__mul__(value, /)</code>	Return self*value.
<code>ndarray.__truediv__(value, /)</code>	Return self/value.
<code>ndarray.__floordiv__(value, /)</code>	Return self//value.
<code>ndarray.__mod__(value, /)</code>	Return self%value.
<code>ndarray.__divmod__(value, /)</code>	Return divmod(self, value).
<code>ndarray.__pow__(value[, mod])</code>	Return pow(self, value, mod).
<code>ndarray.__lshift__(value, /)</code>	Return self<<value.
<code>ndarray.__rshift__(value, /)</code>	Return self>>value.
<code>ndarray.__and__(value, /)</code>	Return self&value.
<code>ndarray.__or__(value, /)</code>	Return self value.
<code>ndarray.__xor__(value, /)</code>	Return self^value.

method

`ndarray.__add__(value, /)`  
Return self+value.

method

---

```

ndarray.__sub__(value, /)
    Return self-value.

method
ndarray.__mul__(value, /)
    Return self*value.

method
ndarray.__truediv__(value, /)
    Return self/value.

method
ndarray.__floordiv__(value, /)
    Return self//value.

method
ndarray.__mod__(value, /)
    Return self%value.

method
ndarray.__divmod__(value, /)
    Return divmod(self, value).

method
ndarray.__pow__(value, mod=None, /)
    Return pow(self, value, mod).

method
ndarray.__lshift__(value, /)
    Return self<<value.

method
ndarray.__rshift__(value, /)
    Return self>>value.

method
ndarray.__and__(value, /)
    Return self&value.

method
ndarray.__or__(value, /)
    Return self|value.

method
ndarray.__xor__(value, /)
    Return self^value.

```

---

**Note:**

- Any third argument to `pow` is silently ignored, as the underlying `ufunc` takes only two arguments.
- Because `ndarray` is a built-in type (written in C), the `__r{op}__` special methods are not directly defined.

- The functions called to implement many arithmetic special methods for arrays can be modified using `__array_ufunc__`.

Arithmetic, in-place:

<code>ndarray.__iadd__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self+=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__isub__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self-=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__imul__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self*=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__itruediv__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self/=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__ifloordiv__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self//=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__imod__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self%=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__ipow__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self**=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__ilshift__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self&lt;=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__irshift__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self&gt;&gt;=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__iand__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self&amp;=value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__ior__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self =value</code> .
<code>ndarray.__ixor__(value, /)</code>	Return <code>self^=value</code> .

method

```
ndarray.__iadd__(value, /)
    Return self+=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__isub__(value, /)
    Return self-=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__imul__(value, /)
    Return self*=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__itruediv__(value, /)
    Return self/=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__ifloordiv__(value, /)
    Return self//=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__imod__(value, /)
    Return self%=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__ipow__(value, /)
    Return self**=value.
```

method

```
ndarray.__ilshift__(value, /)
    Return self<=value.
```

method

---

`ndarray.__irshift__(value, /)`

Return `self>=value`.

method

`ndarray.__iand__(value, /)`

Return `self&=value`.

method

`ndarray.__ior__(value, /)`

Return `self|=value`.

method

`ndarray.__ixor__(value, /)`

Return `self^=value`.

**Warning:** In place operations will perform the calculation using the precision decided by the data type of the two operands, but will silently downcast the result (if necessary) so it can fit back into the array. Therefore, for mixed precision calculations, `A {op}= B` can be different than `A = A {op} B`. For example, suppose `a = ones((3, 3))`. Then, `a += 3j` is different than `a = a + 3j`: while they both perform the same computation, `a += 3` casts the result to fit back in `a`, whereas `a = a + 3j` re-binds the name `a` to the result.

Matrix Multiplication:

---

`ndarray.__matmul__(value, /)`

Return `self@value`.

---

method

`ndarray.__matmul__(value, /)`

Return `self@value`.

---

**Note:** Matrix operators @ and @= were introduced in Python 3.5 following [PEP 465](#), and the @ operator has been introduced in NumPy 1.10.0. Further information can be found in the [matmul](#) documentation.

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## 1.1.7 Special methods

For standard library functions:

---

`ndarray.__copy__()`

Used if `copy.copy` is called on an array.

---

`ndarray.__deepcopy__(memo, /)`

Used if `copy.deepcopy` is called on an array.

---

`ndarray.__reduce__()`

For pickling.

---

`ndarray.__setstate__(state, /)`

For unpickling.

---

method

`ndarray.__copy__()`

Used if `copy.copy` is called on an array. Returns a copy of the array.

Equivalent to `a.copy(order='K')`.

method

`ndarray.__deepcopy__(memo, /)` → Deep copy of array.

Used if `copy.deepcopy` is called on an array.

method

`ndarray.__reduce__()`

For pickling.

method

`ndarray.__setstate__(state, /)`

For unpickling.

The `state` argument must be a sequence that contains the following elements:

#### Parameters

##### `version`

[int] optional pickle version. If omitted defaults to 0.

##### `shape`

[tuple]

##### `dtype`

[data-type]

##### `isFortran`

[bool]

##### `rawdata`

[string or list] a binary string with the data (or a list if ‘a’ is an object array)

Basic customization:

---

`ndarray.__new__(*args, **kwargs)`

---

`ndarray.__array__([dtype], /)`

Returns either a new reference to self if dtype is not given or a new array of provided data type if dtype is different from the current dtype of the array.

---

`ndarray.__array_wrap__(array[, context], /)`

Returns a view of `array` with the same type as self.

method

`ndarray.__new__(*args, **kwargs)`

method

`ndarray.__array__([dtype], /)` → reference if type unchanged, copy otherwise.

Returns either a new reference to self if dtype is not given or a new array of provided data type if dtype is different from the current dtype of the array.

method

`ndarray.__array_wrap__(array[, context], /)`

Returns a view of `array` with the same type as self.

Container customization: (see [Indexing](#))

<code>ndarray.__len__(/)</code>	Return len(self).
<code>ndarray.__getitem__(key, /)</code>	Return self[key].
<code>ndarray.__setitem__(key, value, /)</code>	Set self[key] to value.
<code>ndarray.__contains__(key, /)</code>	Return key in self.

method

`ndarray.__len__(/)`  
Return len(self).

method

`ndarray.__getitem__(key, /)`  
Return self[key].

method

`ndarray.__setitem__(key, value, /)`  
Set self[key] to value.

method

`ndarray.__contains__(key, /)`  
Return key in self.

Conversion; the operations `int()`, `float()` and `complex()`. They work only on arrays that have one element in them and return the appropriate scalar.

---

`ndarray.__int__(self)`

---

`ndarray.__float__(self)`

---

`ndarray.__complex__`

---

method

`ndarray.__int__(self)`

method

`ndarray.__float__(self)`

method

`ndarray.__complex__()`

String representations:

<code>ndarray.__str__(/)</code>	Return str(self).
<code>ndarray.__repr__(/)</code>	Return repr(self).

method

`ndarray.__str__()`

Return `str(self)`.

method

`ndarray.__repr__()`

Return `repr(self)`.

Utility method for typing:

`ndarray.__class_getitem__(item, /)`

Return a parametrized wrapper around the `ndarray` type.

---

method

`ndarray.__class_getitem__(item, /)`

Return a parametrized wrapper around the `ndarray` type.

New in version 1.22.

#### Returns

##### alias

[`types.GenericAlias`] A parametrized `ndarray` type.

#### See also:

#### PEP 585

Type hinting generics in standard collections.

#### `numpy.typing.NDArray`

An `ndarray` alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

#### Notes

This method is only available for python 3.9 and later.

#### Examples

```
>>> from typing import Any
>>> import numpy as np
```

```
>>> np.ndarray[Any, np.dtype[Any]]
numpy.ndarray[typing.Any, numpy.dtype[typing.Any]]
```

## 1.2 Scalars

Python defines only one type of a particular data class (there is only one integer type, one floating-point type, etc.). This can be convenient in applications that don't need to be concerned with all the ways data can be represented in a computer. For scientific computing, however, more control is often needed.

In NumPy, there are 24 new fundamental Python types to describe different types of scalars. These type descriptors are mostly based on the types available in the C language that CPython is written in, with several additional types compatible with Python's types.

Array scalars have the same attributes and methods as `ndarrays`.<sup>1</sup> This allows one to treat items of an array partly on the same footing as arrays, smoothing out rough edges that result when mixing scalar and array operations.

Array scalars live in a hierarchy (see the Figure below) of data types. They can be detected using the hierarchy: For example, `isinstance(val, np.generic)` will return `True` if `val` is an array scalar object. Alternatively, what kind of array scalar is present can be determined using other members of the data type hierarchy. Thus, for example `isinstance(val, np.complexfloating)` will return `True` if `val` is a complex valued type, while `isinstance(val, np.flexible)` will return true if `val` is one of the flexible itemsize array types (`str_`, `bytes_`, `void`).

### 1.2.1 Built-in scalar types

The built-in scalar types are shown below. The C-like names are associated with character codes, which are shown in their descriptions. Use of the character codes, however, is discouraged.

Some of the scalar types are essentially equivalent to fundamental Python types and therefore inherit from them as well as from the generic array scalar type:

Array scalar type	Related Python type	Inherits?
<code>int_</code>	<code>int</code>	Python 2 only
<code>float_</code>	<code>float</code>	yes
<code>complex_</code>	<code>complex</code>	yes
<code>bytes_</code>	<code>bytes</code>	yes
<code>str_</code>	<code>str</code>	yes
<code>bool_</code>	<code>bool</code>	no
<code>datetime64</code>	<code>datetime.datetime</code>	no
<code>timedelta64</code>	<code>datetime.timedelta</code>	no

The `bool_` data type is very similar to the Python `bool` but does not inherit from it because Python's `bool` does not allow itself to be inherited from, and on the C-level the size of the actual bool data is not the same as a Python Boolean scalar.

**Warning:** The `int_` type does **not** inherit from the `int` built-in under Python 3, because type `int` is no longer a fixed-width integer type.

---

**Tip:** The default data type in NumPy is `float_`.

---

<sup>1</sup> However, array scalars are immutable, so none of the array scalar attributes are settable.

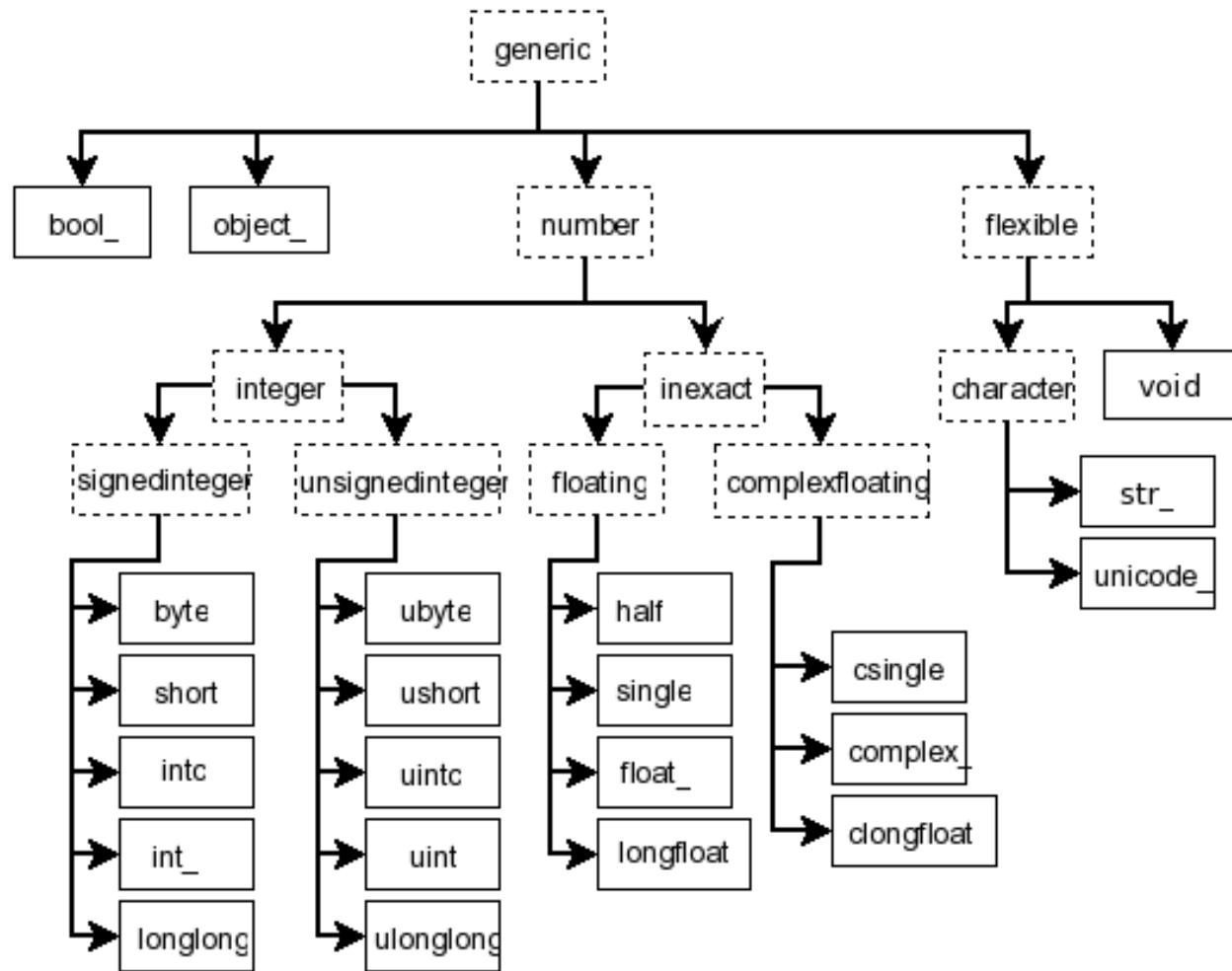


Fig. 2: **Figure:** Hierarchy of type objects representing the array data types. Not shown are the two integer types `intp` and `uintp` which just point to the integer type that holds a pointer for the platform. All the number types can be obtained using bit-width names as well.

**class** numpy.generic

Base class for numpy scalar types.

Class from which most (all?) numpy scalar types are derived. For consistency, exposes the same API as [ndarray](#), despite many consequent attributes being either “get-only,” or completely irrelevant. This is the class from which it is strongly suggested users should derive custom scalar types.

**class** numpy.number

Abstract base class of all numeric scalar types.

**Integer types****class** numpy.integer

Abstract base class of all integer scalar types.

---

**Note:** The numpy integer types mirror the behavior of C integers, and can therefore be subject to overflow-errors.

---

**Signed integer types****class** numpy.signedinteger

Abstract base class of all signed integer scalar types.

**class** numpy.byte

Signed integer type, compatible with C char.

**Character code**

'b'

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

[numpy.int8](#): 8-bit signed integer (-128 to 127).

**class** numpy.short

Signed integer type, compatible with C short.

**Character code**

'h'

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

[numpy.int16](#): 16-bit signed integer (-32\_768 to 32\_767).

**class** numpy.intc

Signed integer type, compatible with C int.

**Character code**

'i'

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

[numpy.int32](#): 32-bit signed integer (-2\_147\_483\_648 to 2\_147\_483\_647).

**class** numpy.int\_

Signed integer type, compatible with Python [int](#) and C [long](#).

**Character code**

'l'

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.int64`: 64-bit signed integer (-9\_223\_372\_036\_854\_775\_808 to 9\_223\_372\_036\_854\_775\_807).

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.intp`: Signed integer large enough to fit pointer, compatible with C `intptr_t`.

**class numpy.longlong**

Signed integer type, compatible with C `long long`.

**Character code**

'q'

**Unsigned integer types**

**class numpy.unsignedinteger**

Abstract base class of all unsigned integer scalar types.

**class numpy.ubyte**

Unsigned integer type, compatible with C `unsigned char`.

**Character code**

'B'

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.uint8`: 8-bit unsigned integer (0 to 255).

**class numpy.ushort**

Unsigned integer type, compatible with C `unsigned short`.

**Character code**

'H'

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.uint16`: 16-bit unsigned integer (0 to 65\_535).

**class numpy.uintc**

Unsigned integer type, compatible with C `unsigned int`.

**Character code**

'I'

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.uint32`: 32-bit unsigned integer (0 to 4\_294\_967\_295).

**class numpy.uint**

Unsigned integer type, compatible with C `unsigned long`.

**Character code**

'L'

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.uint64`: 64-bit unsigned integer (0 to 18\_446\_744\_073\_709\_551\_615).

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.uintp`: Unsigned integer large enough to fit pointer, compatible with C `uintptr_t`.

**class** `numpy.ulonglong`

Signed integer type, compatible with C `unsigned long long`.

**Character code**

'Q'

**Inexact types**

**class** `numpy.inexact`

Abstract base class of all numeric scalar types with a (potentially) inexact representation of the values in its range, such as floating-point numbers.

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**Note:** Inexact scalars are printed using the fewest decimal digits needed to distinguish their value from other values of the same datatype, by judicious rounding. See the `unique` parameter of `format_float_positional` and `format_float_scientific`.

This means that variables with equal binary values but whose datatypes are of different precisions may display differently:

```
>>> f16 = np.float16("0.1")
>>> f32 = np.float32(f16)
>>> f64 = np.float64(f32)
>>> f16 == f32 == f64
True
>>> f16, f32, f64
(0.1, 0.099975586, 0.0999755859375)
```

Note that none of these floats hold the exact value  $\frac{1}{10}$ ; `f16` prints as `0.1` because it is as close to that value as possible, whereas the other types do not as they have more precision and therefore have closer values.

Conversely, floating-point scalars of different precisions which approximate the same decimal value may compare unequal despite printing identically:

```
>>> f16 = np.float16("0.1")
>>> f32 = np.float32("0.1")
>>> f64 = np.float64("0.1")
>>> f16 == f32 == f64
False
>>> f16, f32, f64
(0.1, 0.1, 0.1)
```

**Floating-point types**

**class** `numpy.floating`

Abstract base class of all floating-point scalar types.

**class** `numpy.half`

Half-precision floating-point number type.

**Character code**

'e'

### Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)

`numpy.float16`: 16-bit-precision floating-point number type: sign bit, 5 bits exponent, 10 bits mantissa.

#### `class numpy.single`

Single-precision floating-point number type, compatible with C `float`.

##### Character code

'f'

### Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)

`numpy.float32`: 32-bit-precision floating-point number type: sign bit, 8 bits exponent, 23 bits mantissa.

#### `class numpy.double(x=0, /)`

Double-precision floating-point number type, compatible with Python `float` and C `double`.

##### Character code

'd'

##### Alias

`numpy.float_`

### Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)

`numpy.float64`: 64-bit precision floating-point number type: sign bit, 11 bits exponent, 52 bits mantissa.

#### `class numpy.longdouble`

Extended-precision floating-point number type, compatible with C `long double` but not necessarily with IEEE 754 quadruple-precision.

##### Character code

'g'

##### Alias

`numpy.longfloat`

### Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)

`numpy.float128`: 128-bit extended-precision floating-point number type.

## Complex floating-point types

#### `class numpy.complexfloating`

Abstract base class of all complex number scalar types that are made up of floating-point numbers.

#### `class numpy.csingle`

Complex number type composed of two single-precision floating-point numbers.

##### Character code

'F'

##### Alias

`numpy.singlecomplex`

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.complex64`: Complex number type composed of 2 32-bit-precision floating-point numbers.

**class** `numpy.cdouble` (*real*=0, *imag*=0)

Complex number type composed of two double-precision floating-point numbers, compatible with Python `complex`.

**Character code**

'D'

**Alias**

`numpy.cfloat`

**Alias**

`numpy.complex_`

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.complex128`: Complex number type composed of 2 64-bit-precision floating-point numbers.

**class** `numpy.clongdouble`

Complex number type composed of two extended-precision floating-point numbers.

**Character code**

'G'

**Alias**

`numpy.clongfloat`

**Alias**

`numpy.longcomplex`

**Alias on this platform (Linux x86\_64)**

`numpy.complex256`: Complex number type composed of 2 128-bit extended-precision floating-point numbers.

**Other types**

**class** `numpy.bool_`

Boolean type (True or False), stored as a byte.

**Warning:** The `bool_` type is not a subclass of the `int_` type (the `bool_` is not even a number type). This is different than Python's default implementation of `bool` as a sub-class of `int`.

**Character code**

'?'

**Alias**

`numpy.bool8`

**class** numpy.datetime64

If created from a 64-bit integer, it represents an offset from 1970-01-01T00:00:00. If created from string, the string can be in ISO 8601 date or datetime format.

```
>>> np.datetime64(10, 'Y')
numpy.datetime64('1980')
>>> np.datetime64('1980', 'Y')
numpy.datetime64('1980')
>>> np.datetime64(10, 'D')
numpy.datetime64('1970-01-11')
```

See [Datetime and Timedeltas](#) for more information.

**Character code**

'M'

**class** numpy.timedelta64

A timedelta stored as a 64-bit integer.

See [Datetime and Timedeltas](#) for more information.

**Character code**

'm'

**class** numpy.object\_

Any Python object.

**Character code**

'O'

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**Note:** The data actually stored in object arrays (*i.e.*, arrays having dtype `object_`) are references to Python objects, not the objects themselves. Hence, object arrays behave more like usual Python `lists`, in the sense that their contents need not be of the same Python type.

The object type is also special because an array containing `object_` items does not return an `object_` object on item access, but instead returns the actual object that the array item refers to.

---

The following data types are **flexible**: they have no predefined size and the data they describe can be of different length in different arrays. (In the character codes # is an integer denoting how many elements the data type consists of.)

**class** numpy.flexible

Abstract base class of all scalar types without predefined length. The actual size of these types depends on the specific `np.dtype` instantiation.

**class** numpy.bytes\_

A byte string.

When used in arrays, this type strips trailing null bytes.

**Character code**

'S'

**Alias**`numpy.string_`

**class** numpy.str\_

A unicode string.

When used in arrays, this type strips trailing null codepoints.

Unlike the builtin `str`, this supports the [Buffer Protocol](#), exposing its contents as UCS4:

```
>>> m = memoryview(np.str_("abc"))
>>> m.format
'3w'
>>> m.tobytes()
b'a\x00\x00\x00b\x00\x00\x00c\x00\x00\x00'
```

**Character code**

'U'

**Alias**

`numpy.unicode_`

**class** numpy.void

Either an opaque sequence of bytes, or a structure.

```
>>> np.void(b'abcd')
void(b'\x61\x62\x63\x64')
```

Structured `void` scalars can only be constructed via extraction from structured\_arrays:

```
>>> arr = np.array((1, 2), dtype=[('x', np.int8), ('y', np.int8)])
>>> arr[()]
(1, 2) # looks like a tuple, but is `np.void`
```

**Character code**

'V'

**Warning:** See [Note on string types](#).

Numeric Compatibility: If you used old typecode characters in your Numeric code (which was never recommended), you will need to change some of them to the new characters. In particular, the needed changes are `c` → `S1`, `b` → `B`, `l` → `b`, `s` → `h`, `w` → `H`, and `u` → `I`. These changes make the type character convention more consistent with other Python modules such as the `struct` module.

**Sized aliases**

Along with their (mostly) C-derived names, the integer, float, and complex data-types are also available using a bit-width convention so that an array of the right size can always be ensured. Two aliases (`numpy.intp` and `numpy.uintp`) pointing to the integer type that is sufficiently large to hold a C pointer are also provided.

`numpy.bool8`

alias of `numpy.bool_`

`numpy.int8`

`numpy.int16`

`numpy.int32`

`numpy.int64`

Aliases for the signed integer types (one of `numpy.byte`, `numpy.short`, `numpy.intc`, `numpy.int_` and `numpy.longlong`) with the specified number of bits.

Compatible with the C99 `int8_t`, `int16_t`, `int32_t`, and `int64_t`, respectively.

`numpy.uint8`

`numpy.uint16`

`numpy.uint32`

`numpy.uint64`

Alias for the unsigned integer types (one of `numpy.ubyte`, `numpy ushort`, `numpy.uintc`, `numpy.uint` and `numpy.ulonglong`) with the specified number of bits.

Compatible with the C99 `uint8_t`, `uint16_t`, `uint32_t`, and `uint64_t`, respectively.

`numpy.intp`

Alias for the signed integer type (one of `numpy.byte`, `numpy.short`, `numpy.intc`, `numpy.int_` and `np.longlong`) that is the same size as a pointer.

Compatible with the C `intptr_t`.

#### Character code

'p'

`numpy.uintp`

Alias for the unsigned integer type (one of `numpy.ubyte`, `numpy ushort`, `numpy.uintc`, `numpy.uint` and `np.ulonglong`) that is the same size as a pointer.

Compatible with the C `uintptr_t`.

#### Character code

'P'

`numpy.float16`

alias of `numpy.half`

`numpy.float32`

alias of `numpy.single`

`numpy.float64`

alias of `numpy.double`

`numpy.float96`

`numpy.float128`

Alias for `numpy.longdouble`, named after its size in bits. The existence of these aliases depends on the platform.

`numpy.complex64`

alias of `numpy.csingle`

`numpy.complex128`

alias of `numpy.cdouble`

`numpy.complex192`

`numpy.complex256`

Alias for `numpy.clongdouble`, named after its size in bits. The existence of these aliases depends on the platform.

## Other aliases

The first two of these are conveniences which resemble the names of the builtin types, in the same style as `bool_`, `int_`, `str_`, `bytes_`, and `object_`:

```
numpy.float_
    alias of numpy.double
numpy.complex_
    alias of numpy.cdouble
```

Some more use alternate naming conventions for extended-precision floats and complex numbers:

```
numpy.longfloat
    alias of numpy.longdouble
numpy.singlecomplex
    alias of numpy.csingle
numpy.cfloat
    alias of numpy.cdouble
numpy.longcomplex
    alias of numpy.clongdouble
numpy.clongfloat
    alias of numpy.clongdouble
```

The following aliases originate from Python 2, and it is recommended that they not be used in new code.

```
numpy.string_
    alias of numpy.bytes_
numpy.unicode_
    alias of numpy.str_
```

## 1.2.2 Attributes

The array scalar objects have an `array priority` of `NPY_SCALAR_PRIORITY` (-1,000,000.0). They also do not (yet) have a `ctypes` attribute. Otherwise, they share the same attributes as arrays:

<code>generic.flags</code>	The integer value of flags.
<code>generic.shape</code>	Tuple of array dimensions.
<code>generic.strides</code>	Tuple of bytes steps in each dimension.
<code>generic.ndim</code>	The number of array dimensions.
<code>generic.data</code>	Pointer to start of data.
<code>generic.size</code>	The number of elements in the gentype.
<code>generic.itemsize</code>	The length of one element in bytes.
<code>generic.base</code>	Scalar attribute identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>generic.dtype</code>	Get array data-descriptor.
<code>generic.real</code>	The real part of the scalar.
<code>generic.imag</code>	The imaginary part of the scalar.
<code>generic.flat</code>	A 1-D view of the scalar.
<code>generic.T</code>	Scalar attribute identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>generic.__array_interface__</code>	Array protocol: Python side
<code>generic.__array_struct__</code>	Array protocol: struct
<code>generic.__array_priority__</code>	Array priority.
<code>generic.__array_wrap__</code>	sc.__array_wrap__(obj) return scalar from array

attribute

### `generic.flags`

The integer value of flags.

attribute

### `generic.shape`

Tuple of array dimensions.

attribute

### `generic.strides`

Tuple of bytes steps in each dimension.

attribute

### `generic.ndim`

The number of array dimensions.

attribute

### `generic.data`

Pointer to start of data.

attribute

### `generic.size`

The number of elements in the gentype.

attribute

**generic.itemsize**

The length of one element in bytes.

attribute

**generic.base**

Scalar attribute identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.base](#).

attribute

**generic.dtype**

Get array data-descriptor.

attribute

**generic.real**

The real part of the scalar.

attribute

**generic.imag**

The imaginary part of the scalar.

attribute

**generic.flat**

A 1-D view of the scalar.

attribute

**generic.T**

Scalar attribute identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.T](#).

attribute

**generic.\_\_array\_interface\_\_**

Array protocol: Python side

attribute

**generic.\_\_array\_struct\_\_**

Array protocol: struct

attribute

**generic.\_\_array\_priority\_\_**

Array priority.

method

**generic.\_\_array\_wrap\_\_( )**

sc.\_\_array\_wrap\_\_(obj) return scalar from array

## 1.2.3 Indexing

See also:

*Indexing routines, Data type objects (dtype)*

Array scalars can be indexed like 0-dimensional arrays: if  $x$  is an array scalar,

- $x[ () ]$  returns a copy of array scalar
- $x[ . . . ]$  returns a 0-dimensional [ndarray](#)
- $x[ 'field-name' ]$  returns the array scalar in the field *field-name*. ( $x$  can have fields, for example, when it corresponds to a structured data type.)

## 1.2.4 Methods

Array scalars have exactly the same methods as arrays. The default behavior of these methods is to internally convert the scalar to an equivalent 0-dimensional array and to call the corresponding array method. In addition, math operations on array scalars are defined so that the same hardware flags are set and used to interpret the results as for [ufunc](#), so that the error state used for ufuncs also carries over to the math on array scalars.

The exceptions to the above rules are given below:

<code>generic.__array__</code>	<code>sc.__array__(dtype)</code> return 0-dim array from scalar with specified <code>dtype</code>
<code>generic.__array_wrap__</code>	<code>sc.__array_wrap__(obj)</code> return scalar from array
<code>generic.squeeze</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>generic.byteswap</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>generic.__reduce__</code>	Helper for pickle.
<code>generic.__setstate__</code>	
<code>generic.setflags</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

method

`generic.__array__()`

`sc.__array__(dtype)` return 0-dim array from scalar with specified `dtype`

method

`generic.squeeze()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.squeeze](#).

method

`generic.byteswap()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.byteswap](#).

method

generic.**\_\_reduce\_\_**()

Helper for pickle.

method

generic.**\_\_setstate\_\_**()

method

generic.**setflags**()

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.setflags](#).

Utility method for typing:

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*number*.**\_\_class\_getitem\_\_**(item, /)

Return a parametrized wrapper around the *number* type.

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method

*number*.**\_\_class\_getitem\_\_**(item, /)

Return a parametrized wrapper around the *number* type.

New in version 1.22.

#### Returns

##### alias

[types.GenericAlias] A parametrized *number* type.

#### See also:

#### PEP 585

Type hinting generics in standard collections.

#### Notes

This method is only available for python 3.9 and later.

#### Examples

```
>>> from typing import Any
>>> import numpy as np
```

```
>>> np.signedinteger[Any]
numpy.signedinteger[typing.Any]
```

## 1.2.5 Defining new types

There are two ways to effectively define a new array scalar type (apart from composing structured types `dtypes` from the built-in scalar types): One way is to simply subclass the `ndarray` and overwrite the methods of interest. This will work to a degree, but internally certain behaviors are fixed by the data type of the array. To fully customize the data type of an array you need to define a new data-type, and register it with NumPy. Such new types can only be defined in C, using the [NumPy C-API](#).

## 1.3 Data type objects (`dtype`)

A data type object (an instance of `numpy.dtype` class) describes how the bytes in the fixed-size block of memory corresponding to an array item should be interpreted. It describes the following aspects of the data:

1. Type of the data (integer, float, Python object, etc.)
2. Size of the data (how many bytes is in *e.g.* the integer)
3. Byte order of the data (little-endian or big-endian)
4. If the data type is structured data type, an aggregate of other data types, (*e.g.*, describing an array item consisting of an integer and a float),
  1. what are the names of the “fields” of the structure, by which they can be accessed,
  2. what is the data-type of each field, and
  3. which part of the memory block each field takes.
5. If the data type is a sub-array, what is its shape and data type.

To describe the type of scalar data, there are several [built-in scalar types](#) in NumPy for various precision of integers, floating-point numbers, *etc*. An item extracted from an array, *e.g.*, by indexing, will be a Python object whose type is the scalar type associated with the data type of the array.

Note that the scalar types are not `dtype` objects, even though they can be used in place of one whenever a data type specification is needed in NumPy.

Structured data types are formed by creating a data type whose field contain other data types. Each field has a name by which it can be accessed. The parent data type should be of sufficient size to contain all its fields; the parent is nearly always based on the `void` type which allows an arbitrary item size. Structured data types may also contain nested structured sub-array data types in their fields.

Finally, a data type can describe items that are themselves arrays of items of another data type. These sub-arrays must, however, be of a fixed size.

If an array is created using a data-type describing a sub-array, the dimensions of the sub-array are appended to the shape of the array when the array is created. Sub-arrays in a field of a structured type behave differently, see `arrays.indexing.fields`.

Sub-arrays always have a C-contiguous memory layout.

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### Example

A simple data type containing a 32-bit big-endian integer: (see [Specifying and constructing data types](#) for details on construction)

```
>>> dt = np.dtype('>i4')
>>> dt.byteorder
'>'
>>> dt.itemsize
```

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```

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>>> dt.name
'int32'
>>> dt.type is np.int32
True

```

The corresponding array scalar type is `int32`.

### Example

A structured data type containing a 16-character string (in field ‘name’) and a sub-array of two 64-bit floating-point number (in field ‘grades’):

```

>>> dt = np.dtype([('name', np.unicode_, 16), ('grades', np.float64, (2,))])
>>> dt['name']
dtype('c16')
>>> dt['grades']
dtype('<f8', (2,))

```

Items of an array of this data type are wrapped in an `array scalar` type that also has two fields:

```

>>> x = np.array([('Sarah', (8.0, 7.0)), ('John', (6.0, 7.0))], dtype=dt)
>>> x[1]
('John', [6., 7.])
>>> x[1]['grades']
array([6., 7.])
>>> type(x[1])
<class 'numpy.void'>
>>> type(x[1]['grades'])
<class 'numpy.ndarray'>

```

## 1.3.1 Specifying and constructing data types

Whenever a data-type is required in a NumPy function or method, either a `dtype` object or something that can be converted to one can be supplied. Such conversions are done by the `dtype` constructor:

<code>dtype(dtype[, align, copy])</code>	Create a data type object.
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`class numpy.dtype(dtype, align=False, copy=False)`

Create a data type object.

A numpy array is homogeneous, and contains elements described by a `dtype` object. A `dtype` object can be constructed from different combinations of fundamental numeric types.

#### Parameters

##### `dtype`

Object to be converted to a data type object.

##### `align`

[bool, optional] Add padding to the fields to match what a C compiler would output for a similar C-struct. Can be `True` only if `obj` is a dictionary or a comma-separated string. If a struct dtype is being created, this also sets a sticky alignment flag `isalignedstruct`.

**copy**

[bool, optional] Make a new copy of the data-type object. If `False`, the result may just be a reference to a built-in data-type object.

**See also:**

**`result_type`****Examples**

Using array-scalar type:

```
>>> np.dtype(np.int16)
dtype('int16')
```

Structured type, one field name ‘f1’, containing int16:

```
>>> np.dtype([('f1', np.int16)])
dtype([('f1', '<i2')])
```

Structured type, one field named ‘f1’, in itself containing a structured type with one field:

```
>>> np.dtype([('f1', [('f1', np.int16)])])
dtype([('f1', [('f1', '<i2')])])
```

Structured type, two fields: the first field contains an unsigned int, the second an int32:

```
>>> np.dtype([('f1', np.uint64), ('f2', np.int32)])
dtype([('f1', '<u8'), ('f2', '<i4')])
```

Using array-protocol type strings:

```
>>> np.dtype([('a', 'f8'), ('b', 'S10')])
dtype([('a', '<f8'), ('b', 'S10')])
```

Using comma-separated field formats. The shape is (2,3):

```
>>> np.dtype("i4, (2,3)f8")
dtype([('f0', '<i4'), ('f1', '<f8', (2, 3))])
```

Using tuples. `int` is a fixed type, 3 the field’s shape. `void` is a flexible type, here of size 10:

```
>>> np.dtype([('hello', (np.int64, 3)), ('world', np void, 10)])
dtype([('hello', '<i8', (3,)), ('world', 'V10')])
```

Subdivide `int16` into 2 `int8`’s, called `x` and `y`. 0 and 1 are the offsets in bytes:

```
>>> np.dtype((np.int16, {'x': (np.int8, 0), 'y': (np.int8, 1)}))
dtype((numpy.int16, [('x', 'i1'), ('y', 'i1')]))
```

Using dictionaries. Two fields named ‘gender’ and ‘age’:

```
>>> np.dtype({'names':['gender', 'age'], 'formats':[['S1', np.uint8]]})
dtype([('gender', 'S1'), ('age', 'u1')])
```

Offsets in bytes, here 0 and 25:

```
>>> np.dtype({'surname':('S25',0), 'age':(np.uint8,25)})
dtype([('surname', 'S25'), ('age', 'u1')])
```

## Attributes

### `alignment`

The required alignment (bytes) of this data-type according to the compiler.

### `base`

Returns dtype for the base element of the subarrays, regardless of their dimension or shape.

### `byteorder`

A character indicating the byte-order of this data-type object.

### `char`

A unique character code for each of the 21 different built-in types.

### `descr`

`__array_interface__` description of the data-type.

### `fields`

Dictionary of named fields defined for this data type, or None.

### `flags`

Bit-flags describing how this data type is to be interpreted.

### `hasobject`

Boolean indicating whether this dtype contains any reference-counted objects in any fields or sub-dtypes.

### `isalignedstruct`

Boolean indicating whether the dtype is a struct which maintains field alignment.

### `isbuiltin`

Integer indicating how this dtype relates to the built-in dtypes.

### `isnative`

Boolean indicating whether the byte order of this dtype is native to the platform.

### `itemsize`

The element size of this data-type object.

### `kind`

A character code (one of ‘biufcmMOSUV’) identifying the general kind of data.

### `metadata`

Either None or a readonly dictionary of metadata (mappingproxy).

**`name`**

A bit-width name for this data-type.

**`names`**

Ordered list of field names, or `None` if there are no fields.

**`ndim`**

Number of dimensions of the sub-array if this data type describes a sub-array, and 0 otherwise.

**`num`**

A unique number for each of the 21 different built-in types.

**`shape`**

Shape tuple of the sub-array if this data type describes a sub-array, and `()` otherwise.

**`str`**

The array-protocol typestring of this data-type object.

**`subtype`**

Tuple `(item_dtype, shape)` if this `dtype` describes a sub-array, and `None` otherwise.

**`type`**

## Methods

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<code>newbyteorder([new_order])</code>	Return a new dtype with a different byte order.
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**method**

`dtype.newbyteorder(new_order='S', /)`

Return a new dtype with a different byte order.

Changes are also made in all fields and sub-arrays of the data type.

**Parameters**

**`new_order`**

[string, optional] Byte order to force; a value from the byte order specifications below. The default value ('S') results in swapping the current byte order. `new_order` codes can be any of:

- 'S' - swap dtype from current to opposite endian
- {'<', 'little'} - little endian
- {'>', 'big'} - big endian
- {'=', 'native'} - native order
- {'!', 'T'} - ignore (no change to byte order)

**Returns**

**`new_dtype`**

[dtype] New dtype object with the given change to the byte order.

## Notes

Changes are also made in all fields and sub-arrays of the data type.

## Examples

```
>>> import sys
>>> sys_is_le = sys.byteorder == 'little'
>>> native_code = sys_is_le and '<' or '>'
>>> swapped_code = sys_is_le and '>' or '<'
>>> native_dt = np.dtype(native_code+'i2')
>>> swapped_dt = np.dtype(swapped_code+'i2')
>>> native_dt.newbyteorder('S') == swapped_dt
True
>>> native_dt.newbyteorder() == swapped_dt
True
>>> native_dt == swapped_dt.newbyteorder('S')
True
>>> native_dt == swapped_dt.newbyteorder('=')
True
>>> native_dt == swapped_dt.newbyteorder('N')
True
>>> native_dt == native_dt.newbyteorder('I')
True
>>> np.dtype('<i2') == native_dt.newbyteorder('<')
True
>>> np.dtype('<i2') == native_dt.newbyteorder('L')
True
>>> np.dtype('>i2') == native_dt.newbyteorder('>')
True
>>> np.dtype('>i2') == native_dt.newbyteorder('B')
True
```

What can be converted to a data-type object is described below:

### `dtype` object

Used as-is.

### None

The default data type: `float_`.

### Array-scalar types

The 24 built-in *array scalar type objects* all convert to an associated data-type object. This is true for their subclasses as well.

Note that not all data-type information can be supplied with a type-object: for example, `flexible` data-types have a default *itemsize* of 0, and require an explicitly given size to be useful.

---

### Example

```
>>> dt = np.dtype(np.int32)      # 32-bit integer
>>> dt = np.dtype(np.complex128) # 128-bit complex floating-point number
```

---

### Generic types

The generic hierarchical type objects convert to corresponding type objects according to the associations:

<i>number, inexact, floating</i>	<code>float</code>
<i>complexfloating</i>	<code>cfloat</code>
<i>integer, signedinteger</i>	<code>int_</code>
<i>unsignedinteger</i>	<code>uint</code>
<i>character</i>	<code>string</code>
<i>generic, flexible</i>	<code>void</code>

Deprecated since version 1.19: This conversion of generic scalar types is deprecated. This is because it can be unexpected in a context such as `arr.astype(dtype=np.floating)`, which casts an array of `float32` to an array of `float64`, even though `float32` is a subtype of `np.floating`.

### Built-in Python types

Several python types are equivalent to a corresponding array scalar when used to generate a `dtype` object:

<code>int</code>	<code>int_</code>
<code>bool</code>	<code>bool_</code>
<code>float</code>	<code>float_</code>
<code>complex</code>	<code>cfloat</code>
<code>bytes</code>	<code>bytes_</code>
<code>str</code>	<code>str_</code>
<code>buffer</code>	<code>void</code>
(all others)	<code>object_</code>

Note that `str` refers to either null terminated bytes or unicode strings depending on the Python version. In code targeting both Python 2 and 3 `np.unicode_` should be used as a `dtype` for strings. See [Note on string types](#).

---

### Example

```
>>> dt = np.dtype(float)      # Python-compatible floating-point number
>>> dt = np.dtype(int)       # Python-compatible integer
>>> dt = np.dtype(object)   # Python object
```

---

**Note:** All other types map to `object_` for convenience. Code should expect that such types may map to a specific (new) `dtype` in the future.

---

### Types with .dtype

Any type object with a `dtype` attribute: The attribute will be accessed and used directly. The attribute must return something that is convertible into a `dtype` object.

Several kinds of strings can be converted. Recognized strings can be prepended with '`>`' (big-endian), '`<`' (little-endian), or '`=`' (hardware-native, the default), to specify the byte order.

### One-character strings

Each built-in data-type has a character code (the updated Numeric typecodes), that uniquely identifies it.

---

### Example

---

```
>>> dt = np.dtype('b')      # byte, native byte order
>>> dt = np.dtype('>H')    # big-endian unsigned short
>>> dt = np.dtype('<f')    # little-endian single-precision float
>>> dt = np.dtype('d')      # double-precision floating-point number
```

---

### Array-protocol type strings (see *The array interface protocol*)

The first character specifies the kind of data and the remaining characters specify the number of bytes per item, except for Unicode, where it is interpreted as the number of characters. The item size must correspond to an existing type, or an error will be raised. The supported kinds are

'?'	boolean
'b'	(signed) byte
'B'	unsigned byte
'i'	(signed) integer
'u'	unsigned integer
'f'	floating-point
'c'	complex-floating point
'm'	timedelta
'M'	datetime
'O'	(Python) objects
'S', 'a'	zero-terminated bytes (not recommended)
'U'	Unicode string
'V'	raw data ( <i>void</i> )

---

### Example

```
>>> dt = np.dtype('i4')      # 32-bit signed integer
>>> dt = np.dtype('f8')      # 64-bit floating-point number
>>> dt = np.dtype('c16')     # 128-bit complex floating-point number
>>> dt = np.dtype('a25')     # 25-length zero-terminated bytes
>>> dt = np.dtype('U25')      # 25-character string
```

---

### Note on string types

For backward compatibility with Python 2 the S and a typestrings remain zero-terminated bytes and `numpy.string_` continues to alias `numpy.bytes_`. To use actual strings in Python 3 use U or `numpy.str_`. For signed bytes that do not need zero-termination b or i1 can be used.

---

### String with comma-separated fields

A short-hand notation for specifying the format of a structured data type is a comma-separated string of basic formats.

A basic format in this context is an optional shape specifier followed by an array-protocol type string. Parenthesis are required on the shape if it has more than one dimension. NumPy allows a modification on the format in that any string that can uniquely identify the type can be used to specify the data-type in a field. The generated data-type fields are named '`f0`', '`f1`', ..., '`f<N-1>`' where N (>1) is the number of comma-separated basic formats in the string. If the optional shape specifier is provided, then the data-type for the corresponding field describes a sub-array.

---

**Example**

- field named `f0` containing a 32-bit integer
- field named `f1` containing a  $2 \times 3$  sub-array of 64-bit floating-point numbers
- field named `f2` containing a 32-bit floating-point number

```
>>> dt = np.dtype("i4, (2,3)f8, f4")
```

- field named `f0` containing a 3-character string
- field named `f1` containing a sub-array of shape  $(3,)$  containing 64-bit unsigned integers
- field named `f2` containing a  $3 \times 4$  sub-array containing 10-character strings

```
>>> dt = np.dtype("a3, 3u8, (3,4)a10")
```

---

**Type strings**

Any string in `numpy.sctypeDict.keys()`:

---

**Example**

```
>>> dt = np.dtype('uint32')    # 32-bit unsigned integer
>>> dt = np.dtype('float64')  # 64-bit floating-point number
```

---

**(flexible\_dtype, itemsize)**

The first argument must be an object that is converted to a zero-sized flexible data-type object, the second argument is an integer providing the desired itemsize.

---

**Example**

```
>>> dt = np.dtype((np.void, 10))  # 10-byte wide data block
>>> dt = np.dtype('U', 10)       # 10-character unicode string
```

---

**(fixed\_dtype, shape)**

The first argument is any object that can be converted into a fixed-size data-type object. The second argument is the desired shape of this type. If the shape parameter is 1, then the data-type object used to be equivalent to `dtype`. This behaviour is deprecated since NumPy 1.17 and will raise an error in the future. If `shape` is a tuple, then the new `dtype` defines a sub-array of the given shape.

---

**Example**

```
>>> dt = np.dtype((np.int32, (2,2)))          # 2 x 2 integer sub-array
>>> dt = np.dtype([('i4, (2,3)f8, f4', (2,3))) # 2 x 3 structured sub-array
```

---

**[ (field\_name, field\_dtype, field\_shape), ... ]**

`obj` should be a list of fields where each field is described by a tuple of length 2 or 3. (Equivalent to the `descr` item in the `__array_interface__` attribute.)

The first element, *field\_name*, is the field name (if this is '' then a standard field name, 'f#', is assigned). The field name may also be a 2-tuple of strings where the first string is either a "title" (which may be any string or unicode string) or meta-data for the field which can be any object, and the second string is the "name" which must be a valid Python identifier.

The second element, *field\_dtype*, can be anything that can be interpreted as a data-type.

The optional third element *field\_shape* contains the shape if this field represents an array of the data-type in the second element. Note that a 3-tuple with a third argument equal to 1 is equivalent to a 2-tuple.

This style does not accept *align* in the `dtype` constructor as it is assumed that all of the memory is accounted for by the array interface description.

### Example

Data-type with fields `big` (big-endian 32-bit integer) and `little` (little-endian 32-bit integer):

```
>>> dt = np.dtype([('big', '>i4'), ('little', '<i4')])
```

Data-type with fields `R`, `G`, `B`, `A`, each being an unsigned 8-bit integer:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype([('R', 'u1'), ('G', 'u1'), ('B', 'u1'), ('A', 'u1')])
```

```
{'names': ..., 'formats': ..., 'offsets': ..., 'titles': ..., 'itemsize': ...}
```

This style has two required and three optional keys. The *names* and *formats* keys are required. Their respective values are equal-length lists with the field names and the field formats. The field names must be strings and the field formats can be any object accepted by `dtype` constructor.

When the optional keys *offsets* and *titles* are provided, their values must each be lists of the same length as the *names* and *formats* lists. The *offsets* value is a list of byte offsets (limited to `cotypes.c_int`) for each field, while the *titles* value is a list of titles for each field (None can be used if no title is desired for that field). The *titles* can be any object, but when a `str` object will add another entry to the fields dictionary keyed by the title and referencing the same field tuple which will contain the title as an additional tuple member.

The *itemsize* key allows the total size of the `dtype` to be set, and must be an integer large enough so all the fields are within the `dtype`. If the `dtype` being constructed is aligned, the *itemsize* must also be divisible by the struct alignment. Total `dtype itemsize` is limited to `cotypes.c_int`.

### Example

Data type with fields `r`, `g`, `b`, `a`, each being an 8-bit unsigned integer:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype({'names': ['r', 'g', 'b', 'a'],
...                 'formats': [np.uint8, np.uint8, np.uint8, np.uint8]})
```

Data type with fields `r` and `b` (with the given titles), both being 8-bit unsigned integers, the first at byte position 0 from the start of the field and the second at position 2:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype({'names': ['r', 'b'], 'formats': ['u1', 'u1'],
...                 'offsets': [0, 2],
...                 'titles': ['Red pixel', 'Blue pixel']})
```

```
{'field1': ..., 'field2': ..., ...}
```

This usage is discouraged, because it is ambiguous with the other dict-based construction method. If you have a field called ‘names’ and a field called ‘formats’ there will be a conflict.

This style allows passing in the `fields` attribute of a data-type object.

`obj` should contain string or unicode keys that refer to `(data-type, offset)` or `(data-type, offset, title)` tuples.

---

### Example

Data type containing field `col1` (10-character string at byte position 0), `col2` (32-bit float at byte position 10), and `col3` (integers at byte position 14):

```
>>> dt = np.dtype({'col1': ('U10', 0), 'col2': (np.float32, 10),
...                 'col3': (int, 14)})
```

---

### (`base_dtype`, `new_dtype`)

In NumPy 1.7 and later, this form allows `base_dtype` to be interpreted as a structured dtype. Arrays created with this dtype will have underlying dtype `base_dtype` but will have fields and flags taken from `new_dtype`. This is useful for creating custom structured dtypes, as done in [record arrays](#).

This form also makes it possible to specify struct dtypes with overlapping fields, functioning like the ‘union’ type in C. This usage is discouraged, however, and the union mechanism is preferred.

Both arguments must be convertible to data-type objects with the same total size.

---

### Example

32-bit integer, whose first two bytes are interpreted as an integer via field `real`, and the following two bytes via field `imag`:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype((np.int32, {'real': (np.int16, 0), 'imag': (np.int16, 2)}))
```

---

32-bit integer, which is interpreted as consisting of a sub-array of shape `(4, )` containing 8-bit integers:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype((np.int32, (np.int8, 4)))
```

---

32-bit integer, containing fields `r`, `g`, `b`, `a` that interpret the 4 bytes in the integer as four unsigned integers:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype([('i4', [(('r', 'u1'), ('g', 'u1'), ('b', 'u1'), ('a', 'u1'))]))
```

---

## 1.3.2 `dtype`

NumPy data type descriptions are instances of the `dtype` class.

## Attributes

The type of the data is described by the following `dtype` attributes:

---

`dtype.type`

<code>dtype.kind</code>	A character code (one of 'biufcmMOSUV') identifying the general kind of data.
<code>dtype.char</code>	A unique character code for each of the 21 different built-in types.
<code>dtype.num</code>	A unique number for each of the 21 different built-in types.
<code>dtype.str</code>	The array-protocol typestring of this data-type object.

attribute

```
dtype.type = None
```

attribute

```
dtype.kind
```

A character code (one of 'biufcmMOSUV') identifying the general kind of data.

b	boolean
i	signed integer
u	unsigned integer
f	floating-point
c	complex floating-point
m	timedelta
M	datetime
O	object
S	(byte-)string
U	Unicode
V	void

## Examples

```
>>> dt = np.dtype('i4')
>>> dt.kind
'i'
>>> dt = np.dtype('f8')
>>> dt.kind
'f'
>>> dt = np.dtype([('field1', 'f8')])
>>> dt.kind
'V'
```

attribute

```
dtype.char
```

A unique character code for each of the 21 different built-in types.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.dtype(float)
>>> x.char
'd'
```

attribute

`dtype.num`

A unique number for each of the 21 different built-in types.

These are roughly ordered from least-to-most precision.

## Examples

```
>>> dt = np.dtype(str)
>>> dt.num
19
```

```
>>> dt = np.dtype(float)
>>> dt.num
12
```

attribute

`dtype.str`

The array-protocol typestring of this data-type object.

Size of the data is in turn described by:

`dtype.name`

A bit-width name for this data-type.

`dtype.itemsize`

The element size of this data-type object.

attribute

`dtype.name`

A bit-width name for this data-type.

Un-sized flexible data-type objects do not have this attribute.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.dtype(float)
>>> x.name
'float64'
>>> x = np.dtype([('a', np.int32, 8), ('b', np.float64, 6)])
>>> x.name
'veoid640'
```

attribute

`dtype.itemsize`

The element size of this data-type object.

For 18 of the 21 types this number is fixed by the data-type. For the flexible data-types, this number can be anything.

## Examples

```
>>> arr = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> arr.dtype
dtype('int64')
>>> arr.itemsize
8
```

```
>>> dt = np.dtype([('name', np.str_, 16), ('grades', np.float64, (2,))])
>>> dt.itemsize
80
```

Endianness of this data:

---

<code>dtype.byteorder</code>	A character indicating the byte-order of this data-type object.
------------------------------	---

---

attribute

`dtype.byteorder`

A character indicating the byte-order of this data-type object.

One of:

'='	native
'<'	little-endian
'>'	big-endian
'?'	not applicable

All built-in data-type objects have byteorder either '=' or '?'.

## Examples

```
>>> dt = np.dtype('i2')
>>> dt.byteorder
'='
>>> # endian is not relevant for 8 bit numbers
>>> np.dtype('i1').byteorder
'='
>>> # or ASCII strings
>>> np.dtype('S2').byteorder
'='
>>> # Even if specific code is given, and it is native
>>> # '=' is the byteorder
>>> import sys
>>> sys_is_le = sys.byteorder == 'little'
>>> native_code = sys_is_le and '<' or '>'
>>> swapped_code = sys_is_le and '>' or '<'
>>> dt = np.dtype(native_code + 'i2')
>>> dt.byteorder
'='
>>> # Swapped code shows up as itself
>>> dt = np.dtype(swapped_code + 'i2')
```

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```
>>> dt.byteorder == swapped_code
True
```

Information about sub-data-types in a structured data type:

<code>dtype.fields</code>	Dictionary of named fields defined for this data type, or None.
<code>dtype.names</code>	Ordered list of field names, or None if there are no fields.

attribute

### `dtype.fields`

Dictionary of named fields defined for this data type, or None.

The dictionary is indexed by keys that are the names of the fields. Each entry in the dictionary is a tuple fully describing the field:

```
(dtype, offset[, title])
```

Offset is limited to C int, which is signed and usually 32 bits. If present, the optional title can be any object (if it is a string or unicode then it will also be a key in the fields dictionary, otherwise it's meta-data). Notice also that the first two elements of the tuple can be passed directly as arguments to the `ndarray.getfield` and `ndarray.setfield` methods.

**See also:**

`ndarray.getfield`, `ndarray.setfield`

## Examples

```
>>> dt = np.dtype([('name', np.str_, 16), ('grades', np.float64, (2,))])
>>> print(dt.fields)
{'grades': (dtype('float64',(2,))), 16, 'name': (dtype('|S16'), 0)}
```

attribute

### `dtype.names`

Ordered list of field names, or None if there are no fields.

The names are ordered according to increasing byte offset. This can be used, for example, to walk through all of the named fields in offset order.

## Examples

```
>>> dt = np.dtype([('name', np.str_, 16), ('grades', np.float64, (2,))])
>>> dt.names
('name', 'grades')
```

For data types that describe sub-arrays:

---

<code>dtype.subdtype</code>	Tuple ( <code>item_dtype</code> , <code>shape</code> ) if this <code>dtype</code> describes a sub-array, and <code>None</code> otherwise.
<code>dtype.shape</code>	Shape tuple of the sub-array if this data type describes a sub-array, and <code>()</code> otherwise.

---

attribute

### `dtype.subdtype`

Tuple (`item_dtype`, `shape`) if this `dtype` describes a sub-array, and `None` otherwise.

The `shape` is the fixed shape of the sub-array described by this data type, and `item_dtype` the data type of the array.

If a field whose `dtype` object has this attribute is retrieved, then the extra dimensions implied by `shape` are tacked on to the end of the retrieved array.

**See also:**

### `dtype.base`

## Examples

```
>>> x = numpy.dtype('8f')
>>> x.subdtype
(dtype('float32'), (8,))
```

```
>>> x = numpy.dtype('i2')
>>> x.subdtype
>>>
```

attribute

### `dtype.shape`

Shape tuple of the sub-array if this data type describes a sub-array, and `()` otherwise.

## Examples

```
>>> dt = np.dtype((['i4'], 4))
>>> dt.shape
(4,)
```

```
>>> dt = np.dtype((['i4'], (2, 3)))
>>> dt.shape
(2, 3)
```

Attributes providing additional information:

<code>dtype.hasobject</code>	Boolean indicating whether this dtype contains any reference-counted objects in any fields or sub-dtypes.
<code>dtype.flags</code>	Bit-flags describing how this data type is to be interpreted.
<code>dtype.issbuiltin</code>	Integer indicating how this dtype relates to the built-in dtypes.
<code>dtype.isnative</code>	Boolean indicating whether the byte order of this dtype is native to the platform.
<code>dtype.descr</code>	<code>__array_interface__</code> description of the data-type.
<code>dtype.alignment</code>	The required alignment (bytes) of this data-type according to the compiler.
<code>dtype.base</code>	Returns dtype for the base element of the subarrays, regardless of their dimension or shape.

attribute

### `dtype.hasobject`

Boolean indicating whether this dtype contains any reference-counted objects in any fields or sub-dtypes.

Recall that what is actually in the ndarray memory representing the Python object is the memory address of that object (a pointer). Special handling may be required, and this attribute is useful for distinguishing data types that may contain arbitrary Python objects and data-types that won't.

attribute

### `dtype.flags`

Bit-flags describing how this data type is to be interpreted.

Bit-masks are in `numpy.core.multiarray` as the constants `ITEM_HASOBJECT`, `LIST_PICKLE`, `ITEM_IS_POINTER`, `NEEDS_INIT`, `NEEDS_PYAPI`, `USE_GETITEM`, `USE_SETITEM`. A full explanation of these flags is in C-API documentation; they are largely useful for user-defined data-types.

The following example demonstrates that operations on this particular dtype requires Python C-API.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.dtype([('a', np.int32, 8), ('b', np.float64, 6)])
>>> x.flags
16
>>> np.core.multiarray.NEEDS_PYAPI
16
```

attribute

### `dtype.issbuiltin`

Integer indicating how this dtype relates to the built-in dtypes.

Read-only.

0	if this is a structured array type, with fields
1	if this is a dtype compiled into numpy (such as ints, floats etc)
2	if the dtype is for a user-defined numpy type A user-defined type uses the numpy C-API machinery to extend numpy to handle a new array type. See <code>user.user-defined-data-types</code> in the NumPy manual.

## Examples

```
>>> dt = np.dtype('i2')
>>> dt.isbuiltin
1
>>> dt = np.dtype('f8')
>>> dt.isbuiltin
1
>>> dt = np.dtype([('field1', 'f8')])
>>> dt.isbuiltin
0
```

attribute

`dtype.isnative`

Boolean indicating whether the byte order of this dtype is native to the platform.

attribute

`dtype.descr`

`__array_interface__` description of the data-type.

The format is that required by the ‘descr’ key in the `__array_interface__` attribute.

Warning: This attribute exists specifically for `__array_interface__`, and passing it directly to `np.dtype` will not accurately reconstruct some dtypes (e.g., scalar and subarray dtypes).

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.dtype(float)
>>> x.descr
[('', '<f8')]
```

```
>>> dt = np.dtype([('name', np.str_, 16), ('grades', np.float64, (2,))])
>>> dt.descr
[('name', '<U16'), ('grades', '<f8', (2,))]
```

attribute

`dtype.alignment`

The required alignment (bytes) of this data-type according to the compiler.

More information is available in the C-API section of the manual.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.dtype('i4')
>>> x.alignment
4
```

```
>>> x = np.dtype(float)
>>> x.alignment
8
```

attribute

`dtype.base`

Returns dtype for the base element of the subarrays, regardless of their dimension or shape.

**See also:**

`dtype.subdtype`

**Examples**

```
>>> x = numpy.dtype('8f')
>>> x.base
dtype('float32')
```

```
>>> x = numpy.dtype('i2')
>>> x.base
dtype('int16')
```

Metadata attached by the user:

`dtype.metadata`

Either None or a readonly dictionary of metadata (mappingproxy).

---

attribute

`dtype.metadata`

Either None or a readonly dictionary of metadata (mappingproxy).

The metadata field can be set using any dictionary at data-type creation. NumPy currently has no uniform approach to propagating metadata; although some array operations preserve it, there is no guarantee that others will.

**Warning:** Although used in certain projects, this feature was long undocumented and is not well supported. Some aspects of metadata propagation are expected to change in the future.

**Examples**

```
>>> dt = np.dtype(float, metadata={"key": "value"})
>>> dt.metadata["key"]
'value'
>>> arr = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=dt)
>>> arr.dtype.metadata
mappingproxy({'key': 'value'})
```

Adding arrays with identical datatypes currently preserves the metadata:

```
>>> (arr + arr).dtype.metadata
mappingproxy({'key': 'value'})
```

But if the arrays have different dtype metadata, the metadata may be dropped:

```
>>> dt2 = np.dtype(float, metadata={"key2": "value2"})
>>> arr2 = np.array([3, 2, 1], dtype=dt2)
>>> (arr + arr2).dtype.metadata is None
True # The metadata field is cleared so None is returned
```

## Methods

Data types have the following method for changing the byte order:

---

<code>dtype.newbyteorder([new_order])</code>	Return a new dtype with a different byte order.
--	---

---

The following methods implement the pickle protocol:

---

<code>dtype.__reduce__</code>	Helper for pickle.
<code>dtype.__setstate__</code>	

---

method

`dtype.__reduce__()`  
Helper for pickle.

method

`dtype.__setstate__()`

Utility method for typing:

---

<code>dtype.__class_getitem__(item, /)</code>	Return a parametrized wrapper around the <code>dtype</code> type.
---	---

---

method

`dtype.__class_getitem__(item, /)`  
Return a parametrized wrapper around the `dtype` type.  
New in version 1.22.

### Returns

#### alias

[types.GenericAlias] A parametrized `dtype` type.

### See also:

### PEP 585

Type hinting generics in standard collections.

## Notes

This method is only available for python 3.9 and later.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy as np
```

```
>>> np.dtype[np.int64]
numpy.dtype[numumpy.int64]
```

Comparison operations:

<code>dtype.__ge__(value, /)</code>	Return self>=value.
<code>dtype.__gt__(value, /)</code>	Return self>value.
<code>dtype.__le__(value, /)</code>	Return self<=value.
<code>dtype.__lt__(value, /)</code>	Return self<value.

method

```
dtype.__ge__(value, /)
    Return self>=value.
```

method

```
dtype.__gt__(value, /)
    Return self>value.
```

method

```
dtype.__le__(value, /)
    Return self<=value.
```

method

```
dtype.__lt__(value, /)
    Return self<value.
```

## 1.4 Indexing routines

See also:

`basics.indexing`

### 1.4.1 Generating index arrays

<code>c_</code>	Translates slice objects to concatenation along the second axis.
<code>r_</code>	Translates slice objects to concatenation along the first axis.
<code>s_</code>	A nicer way to build up index tuples for arrays.
<code>nonzero(a)</code>	Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
<code>where(condition, [x, y], /)</code>	Return elements chosen from <code>x</code> or <code>y</code> depending on <code>condition</code> .
<code>indices(dimensions[, dtype, sparse])</code>	Return an array representing the indices of a grid.
<code>ix_(*args)</code>	Construct an open mesh from multiple sequences.
<code>ogrid</code>	<code>nd_grid</code> instance which returns an open multi-dimensional "meshgrid".
<code>ravel_multi_index(multi_index, dims[, mode, ...])</code>	Converts a tuple of index arrays into an array of flat indices, applying boundary modes to the multi-index.
<code>unravel_index(indices, shape[, order])</code>	Converts a flat index or array of flat indices into a tuple of coordinate arrays.
<code>diag_indices(n[, ndim])</code>	Return the indices to access the main diagonal of an array.
<code>diag_indices_from(arr)</code>	Return the indices to access the main diagonal of an n-dimensional array.
<code>mask_indices(n, mask_func[, k])</code>	Return the indices to access (n, n) arrays, given a masking function.
<code>tril_indices(n[, k, m])</code>	Return the indices for the lower-triangle of an (n, m) array.
<code>tril_indices_from(arr[, k])</code>	Return the indices for the lower-triangle of arr.
<code>triu_indices(n[, k, m])</code>	Return the indices for the upper-triangle of an (n, m) array.
<code>triu_indices_from(arr[, k])</code>	Return the indices for the upper-triangle of arr.

`numpy.c_ = <numpy.lib.index_tricks.CClass object>`

Translates slice objects to concatenation along the second axis.

This is short-hand for `np.r_['-1,2,0', index expression]`, which is useful because of its common occurrence. In particular, arrays will be stacked along their last axis after being upgraded to at least 2-D with 1's post-pended to the shape (column vectors made out of 1-D arrays).

**See also:**

`column_stack`

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

`r_`

For more detailed documentation.

## Examples

```
>>> np.c_[np.array([1,2,3]), np.array([4,5,6])]
array([[1, 4],
       [2, 5],
       [3, 6]])
>>> np.c_[np.array([[1,2,3]]), 0, 0, np.array([[4,5,6]])]
array([[1, 2, 3, ..., 4, 5, 6]])
```

`numpy.r_ = <numpy.lib.index_tricks.RClass object>`

Translates slice objects to concatenation along the first axis.

This is a simple way to build up arrays quickly. There are two use cases.

1. If the index expression contains comma separated arrays, then stack them along their first axis.
2. If the index expression contains slice notation or scalars then create a 1-D array with a range indicated by the slice notation.

If slice notation is used, the syntax `start:stop:step` is equivalent to `np.arange(start, stop, step)` inside of the brackets. However, if `step` is an imaginary number (i.e. `100j`) then its integer portion is interpreted as a number-of-points desired and the start and stop are inclusive. In other words `start:stop:stepj` is interpreted as `np.linspace(start, stop, step, endpoint=1)` inside of the brackets. After expansion of slice notation, all comma separated sequences are concatenated together.

Optional character strings placed as the first element of the index expression can be used to change the output. The strings ‘r’ or ‘c’ result in matrix output. If the result is 1-D and ‘r’ is specified a  $1 \times N$  (row) matrix is produced. If the result is 1-D and ‘c’ is specified, then a  $N \times 1$  (column) matrix is produced. If the result is 2-D then both provide the same matrix result.

A string integer specifies which axis to stack multiple comma separated arrays along. A string of two comma-separated integers allows indication of the minimum number of dimensions to force each entry into as the second integer (the axis to concatenate along is still the first integer).

A string with three comma-separated integers allows specification of the axis to concatenate along, the minimum number of dimensions to force the entries to, and which axis should contain the start of the arrays which are less than the specified number of dimensions. In other words the third integer allows you to specify where the 1’s should be placed in the shape of the arrays that have their shapes upgraded. By default, they are placed in the front of the shape tuple. The third argument allows you to specify where the start of the array should be instead. Thus, a third argument of ‘0’ would place the 1’s at the end of the array shape. Negative integers specify where in the new shape tuple the last dimension of upgraded arrays should be placed, so the default is ‘-1’.

### Parameters

**Not a function, so takes no parameters**

### Returns

**A concatenated ndarray or matrix.**

**See also:**

[`concatenate`](#)

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

[`c\_`](#)

Translates slice objects to concatenation along the second axis.

## Examples

```
>>> np.r_[np.array([1,2,3]), 0, 0, np.array([4,5,6])]
array([1, 2, 3, ..., 4, 5, 6])
>>> np.r_[-1:1:6j, [0]*3, 5, 6]
array([-1. , -0.6, -0.2,  0.2,  0.6,  1. ,  0. ,  0. ,  0. ,  5. ,  6. ])
```

String integers specify the axis to concatenate along or the minimum number of dimensions to force entries into.

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1, 2], [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.r_['-1', a, a] # concatenate along last axis
array([[0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5, 3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.r_['0,2', [1,2,3], [4,5,6]] # concatenate along first axis, dim>=2
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> np.r_['0,2,0', [1,2,3], [4,5,6]]
array([[1,
       2,
       3,
       4,
       5,
       6]])
>>> np.r_['1,2,0', [1,2,3], [4,5,6]]
array([[1, 4],
       [2, 5],
       [3, 6]])
```

Using ‘r’ or ‘c’ as a first string argument creates a matrix.

```
>>> np.r_['r',[1,2,3], [4,5,6]]
matrix([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]])
```

`numpy.s_ = <numpy.lib.index_tricks.IndexExpression object>`

A nicer way to build up index tuples for arrays.

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**Note:** Use one of the two predefined instances `index_exp` or `s_` rather than directly using `IndexExpression`.

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For any index combination, including slicing and axis insertion, `a[indices]` is the same as `a[np.index_exp[indices]]` for any array `a`. However, `np.index_exp[indices]` can be used anywhere in Python code and returns a tuple of slice objects that can be used in the construction of complex index expressions.

### Parameters

#### `maketuple`

[bool] If True, always returns a tuple.

#### See also:

#### `index_exp`

Predefined instance that always returns a tuple: `index_exp = IndexExpression(maketuple=True)`.

**s\_**

Predefined instance without tuple conversion: `s_ = IndexExpression(maketuple=False)`.

## Notes

You can do all this with `slice()` plus a few special objects, but there's a lot to remember and this version is simpler because it uses the standard array indexing syntax.

## Examples

```
>>> np.s_[2::2]
slice(2, None, 2)
>>> np.index_exp[2::2]
(slice(2, None, 2),)
```

```
>>> np.array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4])[np.s_[2::2]]
array([2, 4])
```

`numpy.nonzero(a)`

Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.

Returns a tuple of arrays, one for each dimension of `a`, containing the indices of the non-zero elements in that dimension. The values in `a` are always tested and returned in row-major, C-style order.

To group the indices by element, rather than dimension, use `argwhere`, which returns a row for each non-zero element.

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**Note:** When called on a zero-d array or scalar, `nonzero(a)` is treated as `nonzero(atleast_1d(a))`.

Deprecated since version 1.17.0: Use `atleast_1d` explicitly if this behavior is deliberate.

---

## Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

## Returns

**tuple\_of\_arrays**

[tuple] Indices of elements that are non-zero.

See also:

**`flatnonzero`**

Return indices that are non-zero in the flattened version of the input array.

**`ndarray.nonzero`**

Equivalent ndarray method.

**`count_nonzero`**

Counts the number of non-zero elements in the input array.

**Notes**

While the `nonzero` values can be obtained with `a[nonzero(a)]`, it is recommended to use `x[x.astype(bool)]` or `x[x != 0]` instead, which will correctly handle 0-d arrays.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([[3, 0, 0], [0, 4, 0], [5, 6, 0]])
>>> x
array([[3, 0, 0],
       [0, 4, 0],
       [5, 6, 0]])
>>> np.nonzero(x)
(array([0, 1, 2, 2]), array([0, 1, 0, 1]))
```

```
>>> x[np.nonzero(x)]
array([3, 4, 5, 6])
>>> np.transpose(np.nonzero(x))
array([[0, 0],
       [1, 1],
       [2, 0],
       [2, 1]])
```

A common use for `nonzero` is to find the indices of an array, where a condition is True. Given an array *a*, the condition *a > 3* is a boolean array and since False is interpreted as 0, `np.nonzero(a > 3)` yields the indices of the *a* where the condition is true.

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
>>> a > 3
array([[False, False, False],
       [ True,  True,  True],
       [ True,  True,  True]])
>>> np.nonzero(a > 3)
(array([1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]), array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]))
```

Using this result to index *a* is equivalent to using the mask directly:

```
>>> a[np.nonzero(a > 3)]
array([4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> a[a > 3] # prefer this spelling
array([4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
```

`nonzero` can also be called as a method of the array.

```
>>> (a > 3).nonzero()
(array([1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]), array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]))
```

`numpy.where(condition[, x, y], /)`

Return elements chosen from *x* or *y* depending on *condition*.

---

**Note:** When only *condition* is provided, this function is a shorthand for `np.asarray(condition).nonzero()`. Using `nonzero` directly should be preferred, as it behaves correctly for subclasses. The rest of this documentation covers only the case where all three arguments are provided.

---

## Parameters

### condition

[array\_like, bool] Where True, yield *x*, otherwise yield *y*.

### *x, y*

[array\_like] Values from which to choose. *x*, *y* and *condition* need to be broadcastable to some shape.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray] An array with elements from *x* where *condition* is True, and elements from *y* elsewhere.

## See also:

[choose](#)

[nonzero](#)

The function that is called when *x* and *y* are omitted

## Notes

If all the arrays are 1-D, `where` is equivalent to:

```
[xv if c else yv
 for c, xv, yv in zip(condition, x, y)]
```

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(10)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> np.where(a < 5, a, 10*a)
array([ 0,  1,  2,  3,  4, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90])
```

This can be used on multidimensional arrays too:

```
>>> np.where([[True, False], [True, True]],
...             [[1, 2], [3, 4]],
...             [[9, 8], [7, 6]])
array([[1, 8],
       [3, 4]])
```

The shapes of *x*, *y*, and the condition are broadcast together:

```
>>> x, y = np.ogrid[:3, :4]
>>> np.where(x < y, x, 10 + y) # both x and 10+y are broadcast
array([[10,  0,  0,  0],
       [10, 11,  1,  1],
       [10, 11, 12,  2]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1, 2],
...                 [0, 2, 4],
...                 [0, 3, 6]])
>>> np.where(a < 4, a, -1) # -1 is broadcast
array([[ 0,  1,  2],
       [ 0,  2, -1],
       [ 0,  3, -1]])
```

`numpy.indices(dimensions, dtype=<class 'int'>, sparse=False)`

Return an array representing the indices of a grid.

Compute an array where the subarrays contain index values 0, 1, ... varying only along the corresponding axis.

### Parameters

#### dimensions

[sequence of ints] The shape of the grid.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional] Data type of the result.

#### sparse

[boolean, optional] Return a sparse representation of the grid instead of a dense representation.  
Default is False.

New in version 1.17.

### Returns

#### grid

[one ndarray or tuple of ndarrays]

#### If sparse is False:

Returns one array of grid indices, `grid.shape = (len(dimensions),) + tuple(dimensions)`.

#### If sparse is True:

Returns a tuple of arrays, with `grid[i].shape = (1, ..., 1, dimensions[i], 1, ..., 1)` with `dimensions[i]` in the ith place

### See also:

`mgrid`, `ogrid`, `meshgrid`

## Notes

The output shape in the dense case is obtained by prepending the number of dimensions in front of the tuple of dimensions, i.e. if *dimensions* is a tuple ( $r_0, \dots, r_{N-1}$ ) of length N, the output shape is  $(N, r_0, \dots, r_{N-1})$ .

The subarrays `grid[k]` contains the N-D array of indices along the k-th axis. Explicitly:

```
grid[k, i0, i1, ..., iN-1] = ik
```

## Examples

```
>>> grid = np.indices((2, 3))
>>> grid.shape
(2, 2, 3)
>>> grid[0]          # row indices
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [1, 1, 1]])
>>> grid[1]          # column indices
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [0, 1, 2]])
```

The indices can be used as an index into an array.

```
>>> x = np.arange(20).reshape(5, 4)
>>> row, col = np.indices((2, 3))
>>> x[row, col]
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

Note that it would be more straightforward in the above example to extract the required elements directly with `x[:, :2, :3]`.

If `sparse` is set to true, the grid will be returned in a sparse representation.

```
>>> i, j = np.indices((2, 3), sparse=True)
>>> i.shape
(2, 1)
>>> j.shape
(1, 3)
>>> i          # row indices
array([[0],
       [1]])
>>> j          # column indices
array([[0, 1, 2]])
```

`numpy.ix_(*args)`

Construct an open mesh from multiple sequences.

This function takes N 1-D sequences and returns N outputs with N dimensions each, such that the shape is 1 in all but one dimension and the dimension with the non-unit shape value cycles through all N dimensions.

Using `ix_` one can quickly construct index arrays that will index the cross product. `a[np.ix_([1,3],[2,5])]` returns the array `[[a[1,2] a[1,5]], [a[3,2] a[3,5]]]`.

### Parameters

**args**

[1-D sequences] Each sequence should be of integer or boolean type. Boolean sequences will be interpreted as boolean masks for the corresponding dimension (equivalent to passing in `np.nonzero(boolean_sequence)`).

**Returns****out**

[tuple of ndarrays] N arrays with N dimensions each, with N the number of input sequences. Together these arrays form an open mesh.

**See also:**

`ogrid, mgrid, meshgrid`

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.arange(10).reshape(2, 5)
>>> a
array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]])
>>> ixgrid = np.ix_([0, 1], [2, 4])
>>> ixgrid
(array([[0],
       [1]]), array([[2, 4]]))
>>> ixgrid[0].shape, ixgrid[1].shape
((2, 1), (1, 2))
>>> a[ixgrid]
array([[2, 4],
       [7, 9]])
```

```
>>> ixgrid = np.ix_([True, True], [2, 4])
>>> a[ixgrid]
array([[2, 4],
       [7, 9]])
>>> ixgrid = np.ix_([True, True], [False, False, True, False, True])
>>> a[ixgrid]
array([[2, 4],
       [7, 9]])
```

`numpy.ogrid = <numpy.lib.index_tricks.ODGridClass object>`

`nd_grid` instance which returns an open multi-dimensional “meshgrid”.

An instance of `numpy.lib.index_tricks.nd_grid` which returns an open (i.e. not fleshed out) mesh-grid when indexed, so that only one dimension of each returned array is greater than 1. The dimension and number of the output arrays are equal to the number of indexing dimensions. If the step length is not a complex number, then the stop is not inclusive.

However, if the step length is a **complex number** (e.g. `5j`), then the integer part of its magnitude is interpreted as specifying the number of points to create between the start and stop values, where the stop value is **inclusive**.

**Returns****mesh-grid**

*ndarrays* with only one dimension not equal to 1

See also:

`np.lib.index_tricks.nd_grid`

class of `ogrid` and `mgrid` objects

`mgrid`

like `ogrid` but returns dense (or fleshed out) mesh grids

`r_`

array concatenator

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy import ogrid
>>> ogrid[-1:1:5j]
array([-1. , -0.5,  0. ,  0.5,  1. ])
>>> ogrid[0:5,0:5]
[array([[0],
       [1],
       [2],
       [3],
       [4]]), array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]])]
```

`numpy.ravel_multi_index(multi_index, dims, mode='raise', order='C')`

Converts a tuple of index arrays into an array of flat indices, applying boundary modes to the multi-index.

### Parameters

#### `multi_index`

[tuple of array\_like] A tuple of integer arrays, one array for each dimension.

#### `dims`

[tuple of ints] The shape of array into which the indices from `multi_index` apply.

#### `mode`

[{'raise', 'wrap', 'clip'}, optional] Specifies how out-of-bounds indices are handled. Can specify either one mode or a tuple of modes, one mode per index.

- 'raise' – raise an error (default)
- 'wrap' – wrap around
- 'clip' – clip to the range

In 'clip' mode, a negative index which would normally wrap will clip to 0 instead.

#### `order`

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Determines whether the multi-index should be viewed as indexing in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

### Returns

**raveled\_indices**

[ndarray] An array of indices into the flattened version of an array of dimensions dims.

**See also:**

[`unravel\_index`](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.6.0.

**Examples**

```
>>> arr = np.array([[3, 6, 6], [4, 5, 1]])
>>> np.ravel_multi_index(arr, (7, 6))
array([22, 41, 37])
>>> np.ravel_multi_index(arr, (7, 6), order='F')
array([31, 41, 13])
>>> np.ravel_multi_index(arr, (4, 6), mode='clip')
array([22, 23, 19])
>>> np.ravel_multi_index(arr, (4, 4), mode=('clip', 'wrap'))
array([12, 13, 13])
```

```
>>> np.ravel_multi_index((3, 1, 4, 1), (6, 7, 8, 9))
1621
```

`numpy.unravel_index(indices, shape, order='C')`

Converts a flat index or array of flat indices into a tuple of coordinate arrays.

**Parameters****indices**

[array\_like] An integer array whose elements are indices into the flattened version of an array of dimensions shape. Before version 1.6.0, this function accepted just one index value.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] The shape of the array to use for unraveling indices.

Changed in version 1.16.0: Renamed from dims to shape.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Determines whether the indices should be viewed as indexing in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Returns****unraveled\_coords**

[tuple of ndarray] Each array in the tuple has the same shape as the indices array.

**See also:**

**ravel\_multi\_index****Examples**

```
>>> np.unravel_index([22, 41, 37], (7,6))
(array([3, 6, 6]), array([4, 5, 1]))
>>> np.unravel_index([31, 41, 13], (7,6), order='F')
(array([3, 6, 6]), array([4, 5, 1]))
```

```
>>> np.unravel_index(1621, (6,7,8,9))
(3, 1, 4, 1)
```

`numpy.diag_indices(n, ndim=2)`

Return the indices to access the main diagonal of an array.

This returns a tuple of indices that can be used to access the main diagonal of an array  $a$  with  $a.ndim \geq 2$  dimensions and shape  $(n, n, \dots, n)$ . For  $a.ndim = 2$  this is the usual diagonal, for  $a.ndim > 2$  this is the set of indices to access  $a[i, i, \dots, i]$  for  $i = [0..n-1]$ .

**Parameters****n**

[int] The size, along each dimension, of the arrays for which the returned indices can be used.

**ndim**

[int, optional] The number of dimensions.

**See also:**

[`diag\_indices\_from`](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.4.0.

**Examples**

Create a set of indices to access the diagonal of a  $(4, 4)$  array:

```
>>> di = np.diag_indices(4)
>>> di
(array([0, 1, 2, 3]), array([0, 1, 2, 3]))
>>> a = np.arange(16).reshape(4, 4)
>>> a
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11],
       [12, 13, 14, 15]])
>>> a[di] = 100
>>> a
array([[100,    1,    2,    3],
       [   4, 100,    6,    7],
```

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```
[  8,   9, 100,  11],
[ 12,  13,  14, 100]])
```

Now, we create indices to manipulate a 3-D array:

```
>>> d3 = np.diag_indices(2, 3)
>>> d3
(array([0, 1]), array([0, 1]), array([0, 1]))
```

And use it to set the diagonal of an array of zeros to 1:

```
>>> a = np.zeros((2, 2, 2), dtype=int)
>>> a[d3] = 1
>>> a
array([[[1, 0],
       [0, 0]],
      [[0, 0],
       [0, 1]]])
```

`numpy.diag_indices_from(arr)`

Return the indices to access the main diagonal of an n-dimensional array.

See [`diag\_indices`](#) for full details.

### Parameters

#### arr

[array, at least 2-D]

See also:

[`diag\_indices`](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.4.0.

`numpy.mask_indices(n, mask_func, k=0)`

Return the indices to access (n, n) arrays, given a masking function.

Assume `mask_func` is a function that, for a square array `a` of size (n, n) with a possible offset argument `k`, when called as `mask_func(a, k)` returns a new array with zeros in certain locations (functions like `triu` or `tril` do precisely this). Then this function returns the indices where the non-zero values would be located.

### Parameters

#### n

[int] The returned indices will be valid to access arrays of shape (n, n).

#### mask\_func

[callable] A function whose call signature is similar to that of `triu`, `tril`. That is, `mask_func(x, k)` returns a boolean array, shaped like `x`. `k` is an optional argument to the function.

**k**

[scalar] An optional argument which is passed through to *mask\_func*. Functions like `triu`, `tril` take a second argument that is interpreted as an offset.

**Returns****indices**

[tuple of arrays.] The  $n$  arrays of indices corresponding to the locations where `mask_func(np.ones((n, n)), k)` is True.

See also:

`triu`, `tril`, `triu_indices`, `tril_indices`

**Notes**

New in version 1.4.0.

**Examples**

These are the indices that would allow you to access the upper triangular part of any 3x3 array:

```
>>> iu = np.mask_indices(3, np.triu)
```

For example, if  $a$  is a 3x3 array:

```
>>> a = np.arange(9).reshape(3, 3)
>>> a
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5],
       [6, 7, 8]])
>>> a[iu]
array([0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 8])
```

An offset can be passed also to the masking function. This gets us the indices starting on the first diagonal right of the main one:

```
>>> iu1 = np.mask_indices(3, np.triu, 1)
```

with which we now extract only three elements:

```
>>> a[iu1]
array([1, 2, 5])
```

`numpy.tril_indices(n, k=0, m=None)`

Return the indices for the lower-triangle of an (n, m) array.

**Parameters****n**

[int] The row dimension of the arrays for which the returned indices will be valid.

**k**

[int, optional] Diagonal offset (see [tril](#) for details).

**m**

[int, optional] New in version 1.9.0.

The column dimension of the arrays for which the returned arrays will be valid. By default  $m$  is taken equal to  $n$ .

**Returns****inds**

[tuple of arrays] The indices for the triangle. The returned tuple contains two arrays, each with the indices along one dimension of the array.

**See also:**

[triu\\_indices](#)

similar function, for upper-triangular.

[mask\\_indices](#)

generic function accepting an arbitrary mask function.

[tril](#), [triu](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.4.0.

**Examples**

Compute two different sets of indices to access 4x4 arrays, one for the lower triangular part starting at the main diagonal, and one starting two diagonals further right:

```
>>> i11 = np.tril_indices(4)
>>> i12 = np.tril_indices(4, 2)
```

Here is how they can be used with a sample array:

```
>>> a = np.arange(16).reshape(4, 4)
>>> a
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11],
       [12, 13, 14, 15]])
```

Both for indexing:

```
>>> a[i11]
array([ 0,  4,  5, ..., 13, 14, 15])
```

And for assigning values:

```
>>> a[i11] = -1
>>> a
array([[ -1,   1,   2,   3],
       [-1,  -1,   6,   7],
       [-1,  -1,  -1,  11],
       [-1,  -1,  -1, -11]])
```

These cover almost the whole array (two diagonals right of the main one):

```
>>> a[i12] = -10
>>> a
array([[ -10,  -10,  -10,    3],
       [-10,  -10,  -10, -10],
       [-10,  -10,  -10, -10],
       [-10,  -10,  -10, -10]])
```

`numpy.tril_indices(arr, k=0)`

Return the indices for the lower-triangle of arr.

See [tril\\_indices](#) for full details.

#### Parameters

##### arr

[array\_like] The indices will be valid for square arrays whose dimensions are the same as arr.

##### k

[int, optional] Diagonal offset (see [tril](#) for details).

#### See also:

[tril\\_indices](#), [tril](#)

#### Notes

New in version 1.4.0.

`numpy.triu_indices(n, k=0, m=None)`

Return the indices for the upper-triangle of an (n, m) array.

#### Parameters

##### n

[int] The size of the arrays for which the returned indices will be valid.

##### k

[int, optional] Diagonal offset (see [triu](#) for details).

##### m

[int, optional] New in version 1.9.0.

The column dimension of the arrays for which the returned arrays will be valid. By default *m* is taken equal to *n*.

#### Returns

**inds**

[tuple, shape(2) of ndarrays, shape(n)] The indices for the triangle. The returned tuple contains two arrays, each with the indices along one dimension of the array. Can be used to slice a ndarray of shape( $n, n$ ).

**See also:**

***tril\_indices***

similar function, for lower-triangular.

***mask\_indices***

generic function accepting an arbitrary mask function.

***triu, tril*****Notes**

New in version 1.4.0.

**Examples**

Compute two different sets of indices to access 4x4 arrays, one for the upper triangular part starting at the main diagonal, and one starting two diagonals further right:

```
>>> iu1 = np.triu_indices(4)
>>> iu2 = np.triu_indices(4, 2)
```

Here is how they can be used with a sample array:

```
>>> a = np.arange(16).reshape(4, 4)
>>> a
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11],
       [12, 13, 14, 15]])
```

Both for indexing:

```
>>> a[iu1]
array([ 0,  1,  2, ..., 10, 11, 15])
```

And for assigning values:

```
>>> a[iu1] = -1
>>> a
array([[ -1, -1, -1, -1],
       [ 4, -1, -1, -1],
       [ 8,  9, -1, -1],
       [12, 13, 14, -1]])
```

These cover only a small part of the whole array (two diagonals right of the main one):

```
>>> a[iu2] = -10
>>> a
array([[ -1,   -1, -10, -10],
       [  4,   -1, -10, -10],
       [  8,    9,  -1, -1],
       [ 12,   13,  14, -1]])
```

`numpy.triu_indices_from(arr, k=0)`

Return the indices for the upper-triangle of arr.

See [triu\\_indices](#) for full details.

#### Parameters

**arr**

[ndarray, shape(N, N)] The indices will be valid for square arrays.

**k**

[int, optional] Diagonal offset (see [triu](#) for details).

#### Returns

**triu\_indices\_from**

[tuple, shape(2) of ndarray, shape(N)] Indices for the upper-triangle of *arr*.

See also:

[triu\\_indices](#), [triu](#)

#### Notes

New in version 1.4.0.

## 1.4.2 Indexing-like operations

<code>take(a, indices[, axis, out, mode])</code>	Take elements from an array along an axis.
<code>take_along_axis(arr, indices, axis)</code>	Take values from the input array by matching 1d index and data slices.
<code>choose(a, choices[, out, mode])</code>	Construct an array from an index array and a list of arrays to choose from.
<code>compress(condition, a[, axis, out])</code>	Return selected slices of an array along given axis.
<code>diag(v[, k])</code>	Extract a diagonal or construct a diagonal array.
<code>diagonal(a[, offset, axis1, axis2])</code>	Return specified diagonals.
<code>select(condlist, choicelist[, default])</code>	Return an array drawn from elements in choicelist, depending on conditions.
<code>lib.stride_tricks.sliding_window_view(x, ...)</code>	Create a sliding window view into the array with the given window shape.
<code>lib.stride_tricks.as_strided(x[, shape, ...])</code>	Create a view into the array with the given shape and strides.

`numpy.take(a, indices, axis=None, out=None, mode='raise')`

Take elements from an array along an axis.

When axis is not None, this function does the same thing as “fancy” indexing (indexing arrays using arrays); however, it can be easier to use if you need elements along a given axis. A call such as `np.take(arr, indices, axis=3)` is equivalent to `arr[:, :, :, indices, ...]`.

Explained without fancy indexing, this is equivalent to the following use of `ndindex`, which sets each of `ii`, `jj`, and `kk` to a tuple of indices:

```
Ni, Nk = a.shape[:axis], a.shape[axis+1:]
Nj = indices.shape
for ii in ndindex(Ni):
    for jj in ndindex(Nj):
        for kk in ndindex(Nk):
            out[ii + jj + kk] = a[ii + (indices[jj],) + kk]
```

## Parameters

### a

[array\_like (Ni..., M, Nk...)] The source array.

### indices

[array\_like (Nj...)] The indices of the values to extract.

New in version 1.8.0.

Also allow scalars for indices.

### axis

[int, optional] The axis over which to select values. By default, the flattened input array is used.

### out

[ndarray, optional (Ni..., Nj..., Nk...)] If provided, the result will be placed in this array. It should be of the appropriate shape and dtype. Note that `out` is always buffered if `mode='raise'`; use other modes for better performance.

### mode

[{'raise', 'wrap', 'clip'}, optional] Specifies how out-of-bounds indices will behave.

- ‘raise’ – raise an error (default)
- ‘wrap’ – wrap around
- ‘clip’ – clip to the range

‘clip’ mode means that all indices that are too large are replaced by the index that addresses the last element along that axis. Note that this disables indexing with negative numbers.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray (Ni..., Nj..., Nk...)] The returned array has the same type as `a`.

**See also:**

***compress***

Take elements using a boolean mask

***ndarray.take***

equivalent method

***take\_along\_axis***

Take elements by matching the array and the index arrays

**Notes**

By eliminating the inner loop in the description above, and using `s_` to build simple slice objects, `take` can be expressed in terms of applying fancy indexing to each 1-d slice:

```
Ni, Nk = a.shape[:axis], a.shape[axis+1:]
for ii in ndindex(Ni):
    for kk in ndindex(Nk):
        out[ii + s_[...,] + kk] = a[ii + s_[:,] + kk][indices]
```

For this reason, it is equivalent to (but faster than) the following use of `apply_along_axis`:

```
out = np.apply_along_axis(lambda a_1d: a_1d[indices], axis, a)
```

**Examples**

```
>>> a = [4, 3, 5, 7, 6, 8]
>>> indices = [0, 1, 4]
>>> np.take(a, indices)
array([4, 3, 6])
```

In this example if `a` is an ndarray, “fancy” indexing can be used.

```
>>> a = np.array(a)
>>> a[indices]
array([4, 3, 6])
```

If `indices` is not one dimensional, the output also has these dimensions.

```
>>> np.take(a, [[0, 1], [2, 3]])
array([[4, 3],
       [5, 7]])
```

**numpy.take\_along\_axis (arr, indices, axis)**

Take values from the input array by matching 1d index and data slices.

This iterates over matching 1d slices oriented along the specified axis in the index and data arrays, and uses the former to look up values in the latter. These slices can be different lengths.

Functions returning an index along an axis, like `argsort` and `argpartition`, produce suitable indices for this function.

New in version 1.15.0.

**Parameters**

**arr**

[ndarray (Ni..., M, Nk...)] Source array

**indices**

[ndarray (Ni..., J, Nk...)] Indices to take along each 1d slice of *arr*. This must match the dimension of *arr*, but dimensions Ni and Nj only need to broadcast against *arr*.

**axis**

[int] The axis to take 1d slices along. If axis is None, the input array is treated as if it had first been flattened to 1d, for consistency with *sort* and *argsort*.

**Returns**

**out: ndarray (Ni..., J, Nk...)**

The indexed result.

**See also:****[take](#)**

Take along an axis, using the same indices for every 1d slice

**[put\\_along\\_axis](#)**

Put values into the destination array by matching 1d index and data slices

**Notes**

This is equivalent to (but faster than) the following use of *ndindex* and *s\_*, which sets each of *ii* and *kk* to a tuple of indices:

```
Ni, M, Nk = a.shape[:axis], a.shape[axis], a.shape[axis+1:]
J = indices.shape[axis] # Need not equal M
out = np.empty(Ni + (J,) + Nk)

for ii in ndindex(Ni):
    for kk in ndindex(Nk):
        a_1d      = a      [ii + s_[:,] + kk]
        indices_1d = indices[ii + s_[:,] + kk]
        out_1d     = out     [ii + s_[:,] + kk]
        for j in range(J):
            out_1d[j] = a_1d[indices_1d[j]]
```

Equivalently, eliminating the inner loop, the last two lines would be:

```
out_1d[:] = a_1d[indices_1d]
```

## Examples

For this sample array

```
>>> a = np.array([[10, 30, 20], [60, 40, 50]])
```

We can sort either by using sort directly, or argsort and this function

```
>>> np.sort(a, axis=1)
array([[10, 20, 30],
       [40, 50, 60]])
>>> ai = np.argsort(a, axis=1); ai
array([[0, 2, 1],
       [1, 2, 0]])
>>> np.take_along_axis(a, ai, axis=1)
array([[10, 20, 30],
       [40, 50, 60]])
```

The same works for max and min, if you expand the dimensions:

```
>>> np.expand_dims(np.max(a, axis=1), axis=1)
array([[30],
       [60]])
>>> ai = np.expand_dims(np.argmax(a, axis=1), axis=1)
>>> ai
array([[1],
       [0]])
>>> np.take_along_axis(a, ai, axis=1)
array([[30],
       [60]])
```

If we want to get the max and min at the same time, we can stack the indices first

```
>>> ai_min = np.expand_dims(np.argmin(a, axis=1), axis=1)
>>> ai_max = np.expand_dims(np.argmax(a, axis=1), axis=1)
>>> ai = np.concatenate([ai_min, ai_max], axis=1)
>>> ai
array([[0, 1],
       [1, 0]])
>>> np.take_along_axis(a, ai, axis=1)
array([[10, 30],
       [40, 60]])
```

`numpy.choose(a, choices, out=None, mode='raise')`

Construct an array from an index array and a list of arrays to choose from.

First of all, if confused or uncertain, definitely look at the Examples - in its full generality, this function is less simple than it might seem from the following code description (below `ndi = numpy.lib.index_tricks`):

```
np.choose(a,c) == np.array([c[a[I]][I] for I in ndi.ndindex(a.shape)]).
```

But this omits some subtleties. Here is a fully general summary:

Given an “index” array (*a*) of integers and a sequence of *n* arrays (*choices*), *a* and each choice array are first broadcast, as necessary, to arrays of a common shape; calling these *Ba* and *Bchoices[i]*, *i* = 0,...,*n*-1 we have that, necessarily, *Ba*.shape == *Bchoices[i]*.shape for each *i*. Then, a new array with shape *Ba*.shape is created as follows:

- if mode='raise' (the default), then, first of all, each element of  $a$  (and thus  $B_a$ ) must be in the range  $[0, n-1]$ ; now, suppose that  $i$  (in that range) is the value at the  $(j_0, j_1, \dots, j_m)$  position in  $B_a$  - then the value at the same position in the new array is the value in  $B_{\text{choices}}[i]$  at that same position;
- if mode='wrap', values in  $a$  (and thus  $B_a$ ) may be any (signed) integer; modular arithmetic is used to map integers outside the range  $[0, n-1]$  back into that range; and then the new array is constructed as above;
- if mode='clip', values in  $a$  (and thus  $B_a$ ) may be any (signed) integer; negative integers are mapped to 0; values greater than  $n-1$  are mapped to  $n-1$ ; and then the new array is constructed as above.

## Parameters

### `a`

[int array] This array must contain integers in  $[0, n-1]$ , where  $n$  is the number of choices, unless mode=wrap or mode=clip, in which cases any integers are permissible.

### `choices`

[sequence of arrays] Choice arrays.  $a$  and all of the choices must be broadcastable to the same shape. If `choices` is itself an array (not recommended), then its outermost dimension (i.e., the one corresponding to `choices.shape[0]`) is taken as defining the “sequence”.

### `out`

[array, optional] If provided, the result will be inserted into this array. It should be of the appropriate shape and dtype. Note that `out` is always buffered if mode='raise'; use other modes for better performance.

### `mode`

[{'raise' (default), 'wrap', 'clip'}, optional] Specifies how indices outside  $[0, n-1]$  will be treated:

- 'raise' : an exception is raised
- 'wrap' : value becomes value mod  $n$
- 'clip' : values  $< 0$  are mapped to 0, values  $> n-1$  are mapped to  $n-1$

## Returns

### `merged_array`

[array] The merged result.

## Raises

### `ValueError: shape mismatch`

If  $a$  and each choice array are not all broadcastable to the same shape.

## See also:

### `ndarray.choose`

equivalent method

### `numpy.take_along_axis`

Preferable if `choices` is an array

## Notes

To reduce the chance of misinterpretation, even though the following “abuse” is nominally supported, `choices` should neither be, nor be thought of as, a single array, i.e., the outermost sequence-like container should be either a list or a tuple.

## Examples

```
>>> choices = [[0, 1, 2, 3], [10, 11, 12, 13],
...     [20, 21, 22, 23], [30, 31, 32, 33]]
>>> np.choose([2, 3, 1, 0], choices
... # the first element of the result will be the first element of the
... # third (2+1) "array" in choices, namely, 20; the second element
... # will be the second element of the fourth (3+1) choice array, i.e.,
... # 31, etc.
... )
array([20, 31, 12, 3])
>>> np.choose([2, 4, 1, 0], choices, mode='clip') # 4 goes to 3 (4-1)
array([20, 31, 12, 3])
>>> # because there are 4 choice arrays
>>> np.choose([2, 4, 1, 0], choices, mode='wrap') # 4 goes to (4 mod 4)
array([20, 1, 12, 3])
>>> # i.e., 0
```

A couple examples illustrating how choose broadcasts:

```
>>> a = [[1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1]]
>>> choices = [-10, 10]
>>> np.choose(a, choices)
array([[ 10, -10,  10],
       [-10,  10, -10],
       [ 10, -10,  10]])
```

```
>>> # With thanks to Anne Archibald
>>> a = np.array([0, 1]).reshape((2,1,1))
>>> c1 = np.array([1, 2, 3]).reshape((1,3,1))
>>> c2 = np.array([-1, -2, -3, -4, -5]).reshape((1,1,5))
>>> np.choose(a, (c1, c2)) # result is 2x3x5, res[0,:,:]=c1, res[1,:,:]=c2
array([[[ 1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
        [ 2,  2,  2,  2,  2],
        [ 3,  3,  3,  3,  3]],
       [[-1, -2, -3, -4, -5],
        [-1, -2, -3, -4, -5],
        [-1, -2, -3, -4, -5]]])
```

`numpy.compress(condition, a, axis=None, out=None)`

Return selected slices of an array along given axis.

When working along a given axis, a slice along that axis is returned in `output` for each index where `condition` evaluates to True. When working on a 1-D array, `compress` is equivalent to `extract`.

### Parameters

#### condition

[1-D array of bools] Array that selects which entries to return. If `len(condition)` is less than the size of `a` along the given axis, then `output` is truncated to the length of the condition array.

**a**

[array\_like] Array from which to extract a part.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to take slices. If None (default), work on the flattened array.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Output array. Its type is preserved and it must be of the right shape to hold the output.

**Returns****compressed\_array**

[ndarray] A copy of *a* without the slices along axis for which *condition* is false.

**See also:**

[\*take\*, \*choose\*, \*diag\*, \*diagonal\*, \*select\*](#)

[\*ndarray.compress\*](#)

Equivalent method in ndarray

[\*extract\*](#)

Equivalent method when working on 1-D arrays

[\*ufuncs-output-type\*](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]])
>>> a
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4],
       [5, 6]])
>>> np.compress([0, 1], a, axis=0)
array([[3, 4]])
>>> np.compress([False, True, True], a, axis=0)
array([[3, 4],
       [5, 6]])
>>> np.compress([False, True], a, axis=1)
array([[2],
       [4],
       [6]])
```

Working on the flattened array does not return slices along an axis but selects elements.

```
>>> np.compress([False, True], a)
array([2])
```

[`numpy.diag\(v, k=0\)`](#)

Extract a diagonal or construct a diagonal array.

See the more detailed documentation for `numpy.diagonal` if you use this function to extract a diagonal and wish to write to the resulting array; whether it returns a copy or a view depends on what version of numpy you are using.

### Parameters

**v**

[array\_like] If `v` is a 2-D array, return a copy of its  $k$ -th diagonal. If `v` is a 1-D array, return a 2-D array with `v` on the  $k$ -th diagonal.

**k**

[int, optional] Diagonal in question. The default is 0. Use  $k > 0$  for diagonals above the main diagonal, and  $k < 0$  for diagonals below the main diagonal.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] The extracted diagonal or constructed diagonal array.

### See also:

[`diagonal`](#)

Return specified diagonals.

[`diagflat`](#)

Create a 2-D array with the flattened input as a diagonal.

[`trace`](#)

Sum along diagonals.

[`triu`](#)

Upper triangle of an array.

[`tril`](#)

Lower triangle of an array.

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5],
       [6, 7, 8]])
```

```
>>> np.diag(x)
array([0, 4, 8])
>>> np.diag(x, k=1)
array([1, 5])
>>> np.diag(x, k=-1)
array([3, 7])
```

```
>>> np.diag(np.diag(x))
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 4, 0],
       [0, 0, 8]])
```

`numpy.diagonal(a, offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1)`

Return specified diagonals.

If  $a$  is 2-D, returns the diagonal of  $a$  with the given offset, i.e., the collection of elements of the form  $a[i, i+off]$ . If  $a$  has more than two dimensions, then the axes specified by  $axis1$  and  $axis2$  are used to determine the 2-D sub-array whose diagonal is returned. The shape of the resulting array can be determined by removing  $axis1$  and  $axis2$  and appending an index to the right equal to the size of the resulting diagonals.

In versions of NumPy prior to 1.7, this function always returned a new, independent array containing a copy of the values in the diagonal.

In NumPy 1.7 and 1.8, it continues to return a copy of the diagonal, but depending on this fact is deprecated. Writing to the resulting array continues to work as it used to, but a FutureWarning is issued.

Starting in NumPy 1.9 it returns a read-only view on the original array. Attempting to write to the resulting array will produce an error.

In some future release, it will return a read/write view and writing to the returned array will alter your original array. The returned array will have the same type as the input array.

If you don't write to the array returned by this function, then you can just ignore all of the above.

If you depend on the current behavior, then we suggest copying the returned array explicitly, i.e., use `np.diagonal(a).copy()` instead of just `np.diagonal(a)`. This will work with both past and future versions of NumPy.

## Parameters

### a

[array\_like] Array from which the diagonals are taken.

### offset

[int, optional] Offset of the diagonal from the main diagonal. Can be positive or negative.  
Defaults to main diagonal (0).

### axis1

[int, optional] Axis to be used as the first axis of the 2-D sub-arrays from which the diagonals should be taken. Defaults to first axis (0).

### axis2

[int, optional] Axis to be used as the second axis of the 2-D sub-arrays from which the diagonals should be taken. Defaults to second axis (1).

## Returns

### array\_of\_diagonals

[ndarray] If  $a$  is 2-D, then a 1-D array containing the diagonal and of the same type as  $a$  is returned unless  $a$  is a `matrix`, in which case a 1-D array rather than a (2-D) `matrix` is returned in order to maintain backward compatibility.

If  $a.ndim > 2$ , then the dimensions specified by  $axis1$  and  $axis2$  are removed, and a new axis inserted at the end corresponding to the diagonal.

**Raises****ValueError**

If the dimension of  $a$  is less than 2.

**See also:****`diag`**

MATLAB work-a-like for 1-D and 2-D arrays.

**`diagflat`**

Create diagonal arrays.

**`trace`**

Sum along diagonals.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.arange(4).reshape(2,2)
>>> a
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
>>> a.diagonal()
array([0, 3])
>>> a.diagonal(1)
array([1])
```

A 3-D example:

```
>>> a = np.arange(8).reshape(2,2,2); a
array([[[0, 1],
        [2, 3]],
       [[4, 5],
        [6, 7]]])
>>> a.diagonal(0, # Main diagonals of two arrays created by skipping
...             0, # across the outer(left)-most axis last and
...             1) # the "middle" (row) axis first.
array([[0, 6],
       [1, 7]])
```

The sub-arrays whose main diagonals we just obtained; note that each corresponds to fixing the right-most (column) axis, and that the diagonals are “packed” in rows.

```
>>> a[:, :, 0] # main diagonal is [0 6]
array([[0, 2],
       [4, 6]])
>>> a[:, :, 1] # main diagonal is [1 7]
array([[1, 3],
       [5, 7]])
```

The anti-diagonal can be obtained by reversing the order of elements using either `numpy.fliplr` or `numpy.flipud`.

```
>>> a = np.arange(9).reshape(3, 3)
>>> a
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5],
       [6, 7, 8]])
>>> np.fliplr(a).diagonal()  # Horizontal flip
array([2, 4, 6])
>>> np.flipud(a).diagonal()  # Vertical flip
array([6, 4, 2])
```

Note that the order in which the diagonal is retrieved varies depending on the flip function.

`numpy.select(condlist, choicelist, default=0)`

Return an array drawn from elements in choicelist, depending on conditions.

### Parameters

#### condlist

[list of bool ndarrays] The list of conditions which determine from which array in *choicelist* the output elements are taken. When multiple conditions are satisfied, the first one encountered in *condlist* is used.

#### choicelist

[list of ndarrays] The list of arrays from which the output elements are taken. It has to be of the same length as *condlist*.

#### default

[scalar, optional] The element inserted in *output* when all conditions evaluate to False.

### Returns

#### output

[ndarray] The output at position m is the m-th element of the array in *choicelist* where the m-th element of the corresponding array in *condlist* is True.

### See also:

#### where

Return elements from one of two arrays depending on condition.

`take, choose, compress, diag, diagonal`

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(6)
>>> condlist = [x<3, x>3]
>>> choicelist = [x, x**2]
>>> np.select(condlist, choicelist, 42)
array([ 0,  1,  2, 42, 16, 25])
```

```
>>> condlist = [x<=4, x>3]
>>> choicelist = [x, x**2]
>>> np.select(condlist, choicelist, 55)
array([ 0,  1,  2,  3,  4, 25])
```

`lib.stride_tricks.sliding_window_view(x, window_shape, axis=None, *, subok=False, writeable=False)`

Create a sliding window view into the array with the given window shape.

Also known as rolling or moving window, the window slides across all dimensions of the array and extracts subsets of the array at all window positions.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Array to create the sliding window view from.

#### window\_shape

[int or tuple of int] Size of window over each axis that takes part in the sliding window. If *axis* is not present, must have same length as the number of input array dimensions. Single integers *i* are treated as if they were the tuple (*i*,).

#### axis

[int or tuple of int, optional] Axis or axes along which the sliding window is applied. By default, the sliding window is applied to all axes and *window\_shape[i]* will refer to axis *i* of *x*. If *axis* is given as a *tuple of int*, *window\_shape[i]* will refer to the axis *axis[i]* of *x*. Single integers *i* are treated as if they were the tuple (*i*,).

#### subok

[bool, optional] If True, sub-classes will be passed-through, otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array (default).

#### writeable

[bool, optional] When true, allow writing to the returned view. The default is false, as this should be used with caution: the returned view contains the same memory location multiple times, so writing to one location will cause others to change.

### Returns

#### view

[ndarray] Sliding window view of the array. The sliding window dimensions are inserted at the end, and the original dimensions are trimmed as required by the size of the sliding window. That is, *view.shape = x\_shape\_trimmed + window\_shape*, where *x\_shape\_trimmed* is *x.shape* with every entry reduced by one less than the corresponding window size.

### See also:

`lib.stride_tricks.as_strided`

A lower-level and less safe routine for creating arbitrary views from custom shape and strides.

**broadcast\_to**

broadcast an array to a given shape.

**Notes**

For many applications using a sliding window view can be convenient, but potentially very slow. Often specialized solutions exist, for example:

- `scipy.signal.fftconvolve`
- filtering functions in `scipy.ndimage`
- moving window functions provided by `bottleneck`.

As a rough estimate, a sliding window approach with an input size of  $N$  and a window size of  $W$  will scale as  $O(N*W)$  where frequently a special algorithm can achieve  $O(N)$ . That means that the sliding window variant for a window size of 100 can be a 100 times slower than a more specialized version.

Nevertheless, for small window sizes, when no custom algorithm exists, or as a prototyping and developing tool, this function can be a good solution.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(6)
>>> x.shape
(6,)
>>> v = sliding_window_view(x, 3)
>>> v.shape
(4, 3)
>>> v
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [1, 2, 3],
       [2, 3, 4],
       [3, 4, 5]])
```

This also works in more dimensions, e.g.

```
>>> i, j = np.ogrid[:3, :4]
>>> x = 10*i + j
>>> x.shape
(3, 4)
>>> x
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [10, 11, 12, 13],
       [20, 21, 22, 23]])
>>> shape = (2,2)
>>> v = sliding_window_view(x, shape)
>>> v.shape
(2, 3, 2, 2)
>>> v
array([[[[ 0,  1],
          [10, 11]],
         [[ 1,  2],
          [11, 12]],
         [[ 2,  3],
          [12, 13]]],
```

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```
[[[10, 11],
  [20, 21]],
 [[11, 12],
  [21, 22]],
 [[12, 13],
  [22, 23]]])
```

The axis can be specified explicitly:

```
>>> v = sliding_window_view(x, 3, 0)
>>> v.shape
(1, 4, 3)
>>> v
array([[[ 0, 10, 20],
       [ 1, 11, 21],
       [ 2, 12, 22],
       [ 3, 13, 23]]])
```

The same axis can be used several times. In that case, every use reduces the corresponding original dimension:

```
>>> v = sliding_window_view(x, (2, 3), (1, 1))
>>> v.shape
(3, 1, 2, 3)
>>> v
array([[[[ 0, 1, 2],
         [ 1, 2, 3]]],
       [[[10, 11, 12],
         [11, 12, 13]]],
       [[[20, 21, 22],
         [21, 22, 23]]]])
```

Combining with stepped slicing (`::step`), this can be used to take sliding views which skip elements:

```
>>> x = np.arange(7)
>>> sliding_window_view(x, 5)[:, ::2]
array([[0, 2, 4],
       [1, 3, 5],
       [2, 4, 6]])
```

or views which move by multiple elements

```
>>> x = np.arange(7)
>>> sliding_window_view(x, 3)[:, ::2, :]
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [2, 3, 4],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

A common application of `sliding_window_view` is the calculation of running statistics. The simplest example is the moving average:

```
>>> x = np.arange(6)
>>> x.shape
(6,)
>>> v = sliding_window_view(x, 3)
>>> v.shape
(4, 3)
```

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```
>>> v
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [1, 2, 3],
       [2, 3, 4],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> moving_average = v.mean(axis=-1)
>>> moving_average
array([1., 2., 3., 4.])
```

Note that a sliding window approach is often **not** optimal (see Notes).

`lib.stride_tricks.as_strided(x, shape=None, strides=None, subok=False, writeable=True)`

Create a view into the array with the given shape and strides.

**Warning:** This function has to be used with extreme care, see notes.

## Parameters

**x**

[ndarray] Array to create a new.

**shape**

[sequence of int, optional] The shape of the new array. Defaults to `x.shape`.

**strides**

[sequence of int, optional] The strides of the new array. Defaults to `x.strides`.

**subok**

[bool, optional] New in version 1.10.

If True, subclasses are preserved.

**writeable**

[bool, optional] New in version 1.12.

If set to False, the returned array will always be readonly. Otherwise it will be writable if the original array was. It is advisable to set this to False if possible (see Notes).

## Returns

**view**

[ndarray]

## See also:

[`broadcast\_to`](#)

broadcast an array to a given shape.

[`reshape`](#)

reshape an array.

**`lib.stride_tricks.sliding_window_view`**

userfriendly and safe function for the creation of sliding window views.

**Notes**

`as_strided` creates a view into the array given the exact strides and shape. This means it manipulates the internal data structure of ndarray and, if done incorrectly, the array elements can point to invalid memory and can corrupt results or crash your program. It is advisable to always use the original `x.strides` when calculating new strides to avoid reliance on a contiguous memory layout.

Furthermore, arrays created with this function often contain self overlapping memory, so that two elements are identical. Vectorized write operations on such arrays will typically be unpredictable. They may even give different results for small, large, or transposed arrays.

Since writing to these arrays has to be tested and done with great care, you may want to use `writeable=False` to avoid accidental write operations.

For these reasons it is advisable to avoid `as_strided` when possible.

### 1.4.3 Inserting data into arrays

<code>place(arr, mask, vals)</code>	Change elements of an array based on conditional and input values.
<code>put(a, ind, v[, mode])</code>	Replaces specified elements of an array with given values.
<code>put_along_axis(arr, indices, values, axis)</code>	Put values into the destination array by matching 1d index and data slices.
<code>putmask(a, mask, values)</code>	Changes elements of an array based on conditional and input values.
<code>fill_diagonal(a, val[, wrap])</code>	Fill the main diagonal of the given array of any dimensionality.

**`numpy.place (arr, mask, vals)`**

Change elements of an array based on conditional and input values.

Similar to `np.copyto(arr, vals, where=mask)`, the difference is that `place` uses the first N elements of `vals`, where N is the number of True values in `mask`, while `copyto` uses the elements where `mask` is True.

Note that `extract` does the exact opposite of `place`.

**Parameters****arr**

[ndarray] Array to put data into.

**mask**

[array\_like] Boolean mask array. Must have the same size as `a`.

**vals**

[1-D sequence] Values to put into `a`. Only the first N elements are used, where N is the number of True values in `mask`. If `vals` is smaller than N, it will be repeated, and if elements of `a` are to be masked, this sequence must be non-empty.

**See also:**

`copyto`, `put`, `take`, `extract`

## Examples

```
>>> arr = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> np.place(arr, arr>2, [44, 55])
>>> arr
array([[ 0,  1,  2],
       [44, 55, 44]])
```

`numpy.put(a, ind, v, mode='raise')`

Replaces specified elements of an array with given values.

The indexing works on the flattened target array. `put` is roughly equivalent to:

```
a.flat[ind] = v
```

## Parameters

**a**

[ndarray] Target array.

**ind**

[array\_like] Target indices, interpreted as integers.

**v**

[array\_like] Values to place in *a* at target indices. If *v* is shorter than *ind* it will be repeated as necessary.

**mode**

[{'raise', 'wrap', 'clip'}, optional] Specifies how out-of-bounds indices will behave.

- 'raise' – raise an error (default)
- 'wrap' – wrap around
- 'clip' – clip to the range

'clip' mode means that all indices that are too large are replaced by the index that addresses the last element along that axis. Note that this disables indexing with negative numbers. In 'raise' mode, if an exception occurs the target array may still be modified.

**See also:**

`putmask`, `place`

`put_along_axis`

Put elements by matching the array and the index arrays

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(5)
>>> np.put(a, [0, 2], [-44, -55])
>>> a
array([-44,     1, -55,     3,     4])
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(5)
>>> np.put(a, 22, -5, mode='clip')
>>> a
array([ 0,  1,  2,  3, -5])
```

`numpy.put_along_axis(arr, indices, values, axis)`

Put values into the destination array by matching 1d index and data slices.

This iterates over matching 1d slices oriented along the specified axis in the index and data arrays, and uses the former to place values into the latter. These slices can be different lengths.

Functions returning an index along an axis, like `argsort` and `argpartition`, produce suitable indices for this function.

New in version 1.15.0.

### Parameters

#### arr

[ndarray (Ni..., M, Nk...)] Destination array.

#### indices

[ndarray (Ni..., J, Nk...)] Indices to change along each 1d slice of `arr`. This must match the dimension of `arr`, but dimensions in Ni and Nj may be 1 to broadcast against `arr`.

#### values

[array\_like (Ni..., J, Nk...)] values to insert at those indices. Its shape and dimension are broadcast to match that of `indices`.

#### axis

[int] The axis to take 1d slices along. If axis is None, the destination array is treated as if a flattened 1d view had been created of it.

### See also:

#### `take_along_axis`

Take values from the input array by matching 1d index and data slices

## Notes

This is equivalent to (but faster than) the following use of `ndindex` and `s_`, which sets each of `ii` and `kk` to a tuple of indices:

```
Ni, M, Nk = a.shape[:axis], a.shape[axis], a.shape[axis+1:]
J = indices.shape[axis] # Need not equal M

for ii in ndindex(Ni):
    for kk in ndindex(Nk):
        a_1d      = a      [ii + s_[:,] + kk]
        indices_1d = indices[ii + s_[:,] + kk]
        values_1d  = values [ii + s_[:,] + kk]
        for j in range(J):
            a_1d[indices_1d[j]] = values_1d[j]
```

Equivalently, eliminating the inner loop, the last two lines would be:

```
a_1d[indices_1d] = values_1d
```

## Examples

For this sample array

```
>>> a = np.array([[10, 30, 20], [60, 40, 50]])
```

We can replace the maximum values with:

```
>>> ai = np.expand_dims(np.argmax(a, axis=1), axis=1)
>>> ai
array([[1],
       [0]])
>>> np.put_along_axis(a, ai, 99, axis=1)
>>> a
array([[10, 99, 20],
       [99, 40, 50]])
```

`numpy.putmask(a, mask, values)`

Changes elements of an array based on conditional and input values.

Sets `a.flat[n] = values[n]` for each `n` where `mask.flat[n]==True`.

If `values` is not the same size as `a` and `mask` then it will repeat. This gives behavior different from `a[mask] = values`.

### Parameters

**a**

[ndarray] Target array.

**mask**

[array\_like] Boolean mask array. It has to be the same shape as `a`.

**values**

[array\_like] Values to put into `a` where `mask` is True. If `values` is smaller than `a` it will be repeated.

See also:

[place](#), [put](#), [take](#), [copyto](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> np.putmask(x, x>2, x**2)
>>> x
array([[ 0,  1,  2],
       [ 9, 16, 25]])
```

If *values* is smaller than *a* it is repeated:

```
>>> x = np.arange(5)
>>> np.putmask(x, x>1, [-33, -44])
>>> x
array([ 0,  1, -33, -44, -33])
```

[numpy.fill\\_diagonal](#)(*a*, *val*, *wrap=False*)

Fill the main diagonal of the given array of any dimensionality.

For an array *a* with *a.ndim >= 2*, the diagonal is the list of locations with indices *a[i, ..., i]* all identical. This function modifies the input array in-place, it does not return a value.

### Parameters

#### a

[array, at least 2-D.] Array whose diagonal is to be filled, it gets modified in-place.

#### val

[scalar or array\_like] Value(s) to write on the diagonal. If *val* is scalar, the value is written along the diagonal. If array-like, the flattened *val* is written along the diagonal, repeating if necessary to fill all diagonal entries.

#### wrap

[bool] For tall matrices in NumPy version up to 1.6.2, the diagonal “wrapped” after N columns. You can have this behavior with this option. This affects only tall matrices.

See also:

[diag\\_indices](#), [diag\\_indices\\_from](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.4.0.

This functionality can be obtained via [diag\\_indices](#), but internally this version uses a much faster implementation that never constructs the indices and uses simple slicing.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.zeros((3, 3), int)
>>> np.fill_diagonal(a, 5)
>>> a
array([[5, 0, 0],
       [0, 5, 0],
       [0, 0, 5]])
```

The same function can operate on a 4-D array:

```
>>> a = np.zeros((3, 3, 3, 3), int)
>>> np.fill_diagonal(a, 4)
```

We only show a few blocks for clarity:

```
>>> a[0, 0]
array([[4, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
>>> a[1, 1]
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 4, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
>>> a[2, 2]
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 4]])
```

The wrap option affects only tall matrices:

```
>>> # tall matrices no wrap
>>> a = np.zeros((5, 3), int)
>>> np.fill_diagonal(a, 4)
>>> a
array([[4, 0, 0],
       [0, 4, 0],
       [0, 0, 4],
       [0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> # tall matrices wrap
>>> a = np.zeros((5, 3), int)
>>> np.fill_diagonal(a, 4, wrap=True)
>>> a
array([[4, 0, 0],
       [0, 4, 0],
       [0, 0, 4],
       [0, 0, 0],
       [4, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> # wide matrices
>>> a = np.zeros((3, 5), int)
>>> np.fill_diagonal(a, 4, wrap=True)
>>> a
array([[4, 0, 0, 0, 0],
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[0, 4, 0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 4, 0, 0]]
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The anti-diagonal can be filled by reversing the order of elements using either `numpy.flipud` or `numpy.fliplr`.

>>> a = np.zeros((3, 3), int); >>> np.fill_diagonal(np.fliplr(a), [1,2,3]) # Horizontal flip >>> a array([[0, 0, 1], [0, 2, 0], [3, 0, 0]]) >>> np.fill_diagonal(np.flipud(a), [1,2,3]) # Vertical flip >>> a array([[0, 0, 3], [0, 2, 0], [1, 0, 0]])
--

Note that the order in which the diagonal is filled varies depending on the flip function.

#### 1.4.4 Iterating over arrays

<code>nditer(op[, flags, op_flags, op_dtypes, ...])</code>	Efficient multi-dimensional iterator object to iterate over arrays.
<code>ndenumerate(arr)</code>	Multidimensional index iterator.
<code>ndindex(*shape)</code>	An N-dimensional iterator object to index arrays.
<code>nested_iters(op, axes[, flags, op_flags, ...])</code>	Create nditers for use in nested loops
<code>flatiter()</code>	Flat iterator object to iterate over arrays.
<code>lib.ArrayIterator(var[, buf_size])</code>	Buffered iterator for big arrays.
<code>iterable(y)</code>	Check whether or not an object can be iterated over.

**class** `numpy.nditer` (`op, flags=None, op_flags=None, op_dtypes=None, order='K', casting='safe', op_axes=None, itershape=None, buffersize=0`)

Efficient multi-dimensional iterator object to iterate over arrays. To get started using this object, see the [introductory guide to array iteration](#).

##### Parameters

###### `op`

[ndarray or sequence of array\_like] The array(s) to iterate over.

###### `flags`

[sequence of str, optional] Flags to control the behavior of the iterator.

- `buffered` enables buffering when required.
- `c_index` causes a C-order index to be tracked.
- `f_index` causes a Fortran-order index to be tracked.
- `multi_index` causes a multi-index, or a tuple of indices with one per iteration dimension, to be tracked.

- `common_dtype` causes all the operands to be converted to a common data type, with copying or buffering as necessary.
- `copy_if_overlap` causes the iterator to determine if read operands have overlap with write operands, and make temporary copies as necessary to avoid overlap. False positives (needless copying) are possible in some cases.
- `delay_bufalloc` delays allocation of the buffers until a `reset()` call is made. Allows `allocate` operands to be initialized before their values are copied into the buffers.
- `external_loop` causes the `values` given to be one-dimensional arrays with multiple values instead of zero-dimensional arrays.
- `grow_inner` allows the `value` array sizes to be made larger than the buffer size when both `buffered` and `external_loop` is used.
- `ranged` allows the iterator to be restricted to a sub-range of the `iterindex` values.
- `refs_ok` enables iteration of reference types, such as object arrays.
- `reduce_ok` enables iteration of `readwrite` operands which are broadcasted, also known as reduction operands.
- `zerosize_ok` allows `itersize` to be zero.

### `op_flags`

[list of list of str, optional] This is a list of flags for each operand. At minimum, one of `readonly`, `readwrite`, or `writeonly` must be specified.

- `readonly` indicates the operand will only be read from.
- `readwrite` indicates the operand will be read from and written to.
- `writeonly` indicates the operand will only be written to.
- `no_broadcast` prevents the operand from being broadcasted.
- `contig` forces the operand data to be contiguous.
- `aligned` forces the operand data to be aligned.
- `nbo` forces the operand data to be in native byte order.
- `copy` allows a temporary read-only copy if required.
- `updateifcopy` allows a temporary read-write copy if required.
- `allocate` causes the array to be allocated if it is `None` in the `op` parameter.
- `no_subtype` prevents an `allocate` operand from using a subtype.
- `arraymask` indicates that this operand is the mask to use for selecting elements when writing to operands with the ‘`writemasked`’ flag set. The iterator does not enforce this, but when writing from a buffer back to the array, it only copies those elements indicated by this mask.
- `writemasked` indicates that only elements where the chosen `arraymask` operand is `True` will be written to.
- `overlap_assume_elementwise` can be used to mark operands that are accessed only in the iterator order, to allow less conservative copying when `copy_if_overlap` is present.

**op\_dtypes**

[dtype or tuple of dtype(s), optional] The required data type(s) of the operands. If copying or buffering is enabled, the data will be converted to/from their original types.

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, ‘K’}, optional] Controls the iteration order. ‘C’ means C order, ‘F’ means Fortran order, ‘A’ means ‘F’ order if all the arrays are Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ order otherwise, and ‘K’ means as close to the order the array elements appear in memory as possible. This also affects the element memory order of `allocate` operands, as they are allocated to be compatible with iteration order. Default is ‘K’.

**casting**

[{‘no’, ‘equiv’, ‘safe’, ‘same\_kind’, ‘unsafe’}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur when making a copy or buffering. Setting this to ‘unsafe’ is not recommended, as it can adversely affect accumulations.

- ‘no’ means the data types should not be cast at all.
- ‘equiv’ means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- ‘safe’ means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- ‘same\_kind’ means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- ‘unsafe’ means any data conversions may be done.

**op\_axes**

[list of list of ints, optional] If provided, is a list of ints or None for each operands. The list of axes for an operand is a mapping from the dimensions of the iterator to the dimensions of the operand. A value of -1 can be placed for entries, causing that dimension to be treated as `newaxis`.

**itershape**

[tuple of ints, optional] The desired shape of the iterator. This allows `allocate` operands with a dimension mapped by `op_axes` not corresponding to a dimension of a different operand to get a value not equal to 1 for that dimension.

**buffersize**

[int, optional] When buffering is enabled, controls the size of the temporary buffers. Set to 0 for the default value.

**Notes**

`nditer` supersedes `flatiter`. The iterator implementation behind `nditer` is also exposed by the NumPy C API.

The Python exposure supplies two iteration interfaces, one which follows the Python iterator protocol, and another which mirrors the C-style do-while pattern. The native Python approach is better in most cases, but if you need the coordinates or index of an iterator, use the C-style pattern.

## Examples

Here is how we might write an `iter_add` function, using the Python iterator protocol:

```
>>> def iter_add_py(x, y, out=None):
...     addop = np.add
...     it = np.nditer([x, y, out], [],
...                   [['readonly'], ['readonly'], ['writeonly','allocate']])
...     with it:
...         for (a, b, c) in it:
...             addop(a, b, out=c)
...     return it.operands[2]
```

Here is the same function, but following the C-style pattern:

```
>>> def iter_add(x, y, out=None):
...     addop = np.add
...     it = np.nditer([x, y, out], [],
...                   [['readonly'], ['readonly'], ['writeonly','allocate']])
...     with it:
...         while not it.finished:
...             addop(it[0], it[1], out=it[2])
...             it.iternext()
...     return it.operands[2]
```

Here is an example outer product function:

```
>>> def outer_it(x, y, out=None):
...     mulop = np.multiply
...     it = np.nditer([x, y, out], ['external_loop'],
...                   [['readonly'], ['readonly'], ['writeonly', 'allocate']],
...                   op_axes=[list(range(x.ndim)) + [-1] * y.ndim,
...                           [-1] * x.ndim + list(range(y.ndim)),
...                           None])
...     with it:
...         for (a, b, c) in it:
...             mulop(a, b, out=c)
...     return it.operands[2]
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(2)+1
>>> b = np.arange(3)+1
>>> outer_it(a,b)
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [2, 4, 6]])
```

Here is an example function which operates like a “lambda” ufunc:

```
>>> def luf(lamdaexpr, *args, **kwargs):
...     '''luf(lamdaexpr, op1, ..., opn, out=None, order='K', casting='safe',  

...     buffersize=0)'''
...     nargs = len(args)
...     op = (kwargs.get('out',None),) + args
...     it = np.nditer(op, ['buffered','external_loop'],
...                   [['writeonly','allocate','no_broadcast']] +
...                   [['readonly','nbo','aligned']]*nargs,
...                   order=kwargs.get('order','K'),
...                   casting=kwargs.get('casting','safe'),
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...
        buffersize=kwargs.get('buffersize',0))
...
    while not it.finished:
...
        it[0] = lamdaexpr(*it[1:])
...
        it.iternext()
...
    return it.operands[0]

```

```

>>> a = np.arange(5)
>>> b = np.ones(5)
>>> luf(lambda i,j:i*i + j/2, a, b)
array([ 0.5, 1.5, 4.5, 9.5, 16.5])

```

If operand flags "writeonly" or "readwrite" are used the operands may be views into the original data with the *WRITEBACKIFCOPY* flag. In this case *nditer* must be used as a context manager or the *nditer.close* method must be called before using the result. The temporary data will be written back to the original data when the *\_\_exit\_\_* function is called but not before:

```

>>> a = np.arange(6, dtype='i4')[::-2]
>>> with np.nditer(a, [],
...                  [['writeonly', 'updateifcopy']],
...                  casting='unsafe',
...                  op_dtypes=[np.dtype('f4')]) as i:
...
...     x = i.operands[0]
...
...     x[:] = [-1, -2, -3]
...
...     # a still unchanged here
>>> a, x
(array([-1, -2, -3], dtype=int32), array([-1., -2., -3.], dtype=float32))

```

It is important to note that once the iterator is exited, dangling references (like *x* in the example) may or may not share data with the original data *a*. If writeback semantics were active, i.e. if *x.base.flags.writebackifcopy* is *True*, then exiting the iterator will sever the connection between *x* and *a*, writing to *x* will no longer write to *a*. If writeback semantics are not active, then *x.data* will still point at some part of *a.data*, and writing to one will affect the other.

Context management and the *close* method appeared in version 1.15.0.

## Attributes

### dtypes

[tuple of dtype(s)] The data types of the values provided in *value*. This may be different from the operand data types if buffering is enabled. Valid only before the iterator is closed.

### finished

[bool] Whether the iteration over the operands is finished or not.

### has\_delayed\_bufalloc

[bool] If True, the iterator was created with the *delay\_bufalloc* flag, and no *reset()* function was called on it yet.

### has\_index

[bool] If True, the iterator was created with either the *c\_index* or the *f\_index* flag, and the property *index* can be used to retrieve it.

### has\_multi\_index

[bool] If True, the iterator was created with the *multi\_index* flag, and the property *multi\_index* can be used to retrieve it.

**index**

When the `c_index` or `f_index` flag was used, this property provides access to the index.  
Raises a `ValueError` if accessed and `has_index` is False.

**iterationneedsapi**

[bool] Whether iteration requires access to the Python API, for example if one of the operands is an object array.

**iterindex**

[int] An index which matches the order of iteration.

**itersize**

[int] Size of the iterator.

**itviews**

Structured view(s) of `operands` in memory, matching the reordered and optimized iterator access pattern. Valid only before the iterator is closed.

**multi\_index**

When the `multi_index` flag was used, this property provides access to the index. Raises a `ValueError` if accessed accessed and `has_multi_index` is False.

**ndim**

[int] The dimensions of the iterator.

**nop**

[int] The number of iterator operands.

**operands**

[tuple of operand(s)] `operands[Slice]`

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape tuple, the shape of the iterator.

**value**

Value of `operands` at current iteration. Normally, this is a tuple of array scalars, but if the flag `external_loop` is used, it is a tuple of one dimensional arrays.

## Methods

<code>close()</code>	Resolve all writeback semantics in writeable operands.
<code>copy()</code>	Get a copy of the iterator in its current state.
<code>debug_print()</code>	Print the current state of the <code>nditer</code> instance and debug info to stdout.
<code>enable_external_loop()</code>	When the "external_loop" was not used during construction, but is desired, this modifies the iterator to behave as if the flag was specified.
<code>iternext()</code>	Check whether iterations are left, and perform a single internal iteration without returning the result.
<code>remove_axis(i, /)</code>	Removes axis $i$ from the iterator.
<code>remove_multi_index()</code>	When the "multi_index" flag was specified, this removes it, allowing the internal iteration structure to be optimized further.
<code>reset()</code>	Reset the iterator to its initial state.

method

`nditer.close()`

Resolve all writeback semantics in writeable operands.

New in version 1.15.0.

**See also:**

[Modifying Array Values](#)

method

`nditer.copy()`

Get a copy of the iterator in its current state.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(10)
>>> y = x + 1
>>> it = np.nditer([x, y])
>>> next(it)
(array(0), array(1))
>>> it2 = it.copy()
>>> next(it2)
(array(1), array(2))
```

method

`nditer.debug_print()`

Print the current state of the `nditer` instance and debug info to stdout.

method

`nditer.enable_external_loop()`

When the "external\_loop" was not used during construction, but is desired, this modifies the iterator to behave as if the flag was specified.

method

`nditer.itternext()`

Check whether iterations are left, and perform a single internal iteration without returning the result. Used in the C-style pattern do-while pattern. For an example, see `nditer`.

#### Returns

`itternext`

[bool] Whether or not there are iterations left.

method

`nditer.remove_axis(i, /)`

Removes axis  $i$  from the iterator. Requires that the flag “multi\_index” be enabled.

method

`nditer.remove_multi_index()`

When the “multi\_index” flag was specified, this removes it, allowing the internal iteration structure to be optimized further.

method

`nditer.reset()`

Reset the iterator to its initial state.

**class** `numpy.ndenumerate(arr)`

Multidimensional index iterator.

Return an iterator yielding pairs of array coordinates and values.

#### Parameters

`arr`

[ndarray] Input array.

See also:

`ndindex, flatiter`

#### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> for index, x in np.ndenumerate(a):
...     print(index, x)
(0, 0) 1
(0, 1) 2
(1, 0) 3
(1, 1) 4
```

**class** `numpy.ndindex(*shape)`

An N-dimensional iterator object to index arrays.

Given the shape of an array, an `ndindex` instance iterates over the N-dimensional index of the array. At each iteration a tuple of indices is returned, the last dimension is iterated over first.

## Parameters

### shape

[ints, or a single tuple of ints] The size of each dimension of the array can be passed as individual parameters or as the elements of a tuple.

See also:

`ndenumerate`, `flatiter`

## Examples

Dimensions as individual arguments

```
>>> for index in np.ndindex(3, 2, 1):
...     print(index)
(0, 0, 0)
(0, 1, 0)
(1, 0, 0)
(1, 1, 0)
(2, 0, 0)
(2, 1, 0)
```

Same dimensions - but in a tuple (3, 2, 1)

```
>>> for index in np.ndindex((3, 2, 1)):
...     print(index)
(0, 0, 0)
(0, 1, 0)
(1, 0, 0)
(1, 1, 0)
(2, 0, 0)
(2, 1, 0)
```

## Methods

### `ndincr()`

Increment the multi-dimensional index by one.

method

`ndindex.ndincr()`

Increment the multi-dimensional index by one.

This method is for backward compatibility only: do not use.

Deprecated since version 1.20.0: This method has been advised against since numpy 1.8.0, but only started emitting DeprecationWarning as of this version.

`numpy.nested_iters(op, axes, flags=None, op_flags=None, op_dtypes=None, order='K', casting='safe', buffersize=0)`

Create nditers for use in nested loops

Create a tuple of `nditer` objects which iterate in nested loops over different axes of the op argument. The first iterator is used in the outermost loop, the last in the innermost loop. Advancing one will change the subsequent iterators to point at its new element.

**Parameters****op**

[ndarray or sequence of array\_like] The array(s) to iterate over.

**axes**

[list of list of int] Each item is used as an “op\_axes” argument to an nditer

**flags, op\_flags, op\_dtypes, order, casting, buffersize (optional)**

See [nditer](#) parameters of the same name

**Returns****iters**

[tuple of nditer] An nditer for each item in *axes*, outermost first

**See also:**

[nditer](#)

**Examples**

Basic usage. Note how *y* is the “flattened” version of [a[:, 0, :], a[:, 1, 0], a[:, 2, :]] since we specified the first iter’s axes as [1]

```
>>> a = np.arange(12).reshape(2, 3, 2)
>>> i, j = np.nested_iters(a, [[1], [0, 2]], flags=["multi_index"])
>>> for x in i:
...     print(x.multi_index)
...     for y in j:
...         print(' ', y.multi_index, y)
(0, )
(0, 0) 0
(0, 1) 1
(1, 0) 6
(1, 1) 7
(1, )
(0, 0) 2
(0, 1) 3
(1, 0) 8
(1, 1) 9
(2, )
(0, 0) 4
(0, 1) 5
(1, 0) 10
(1, 1) 11
```

**class numpy.flatiter**

Flat iterator object to iterate over arrays.

A [flatiter](#) iterator is returned by *x.flat* for any array *x*. It allows iterating over the array as if it were a 1-D array, either in a for-loop or by calling its *next* method.

Iteration is done in row-major, C-style order (the last index varying the fastest). The iterator can also be indexed using basic slicing or advanced indexing.

See also:

[`ndarray.flat`](#)

Return a flat iterator over an array.

[`ndarray.flatten`](#)

Returns a flattened copy of an array.

## Notes

A `flatiter` iterator can not be constructed directly from Python code by calling the `flatiter` constructor.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> fl = x.flat
>>> type(fl)
<class 'numpy.flatiter'>
>>> for item in fl:
...     print(item)
...
0
1
2
3
4
5
```

```
>>> fl[2:4]
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

**base**

A reference to the array that is iterated over.

**coords**

An N-dimensional tuple of current coordinates.

**index**

Current flat index into the array.

## Methods

`copy()`

Get a copy of the iterator as a 1-D array.

method

`flatiter.copy()`

Get a copy of the iterator as a 1-D array.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> x
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> f1 = x.flat
>>> f1.copy()
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
```

**class** `numpy.lib.ArrayIterator(var, buf_size=None)`

Buffered iterator for big arrays.

`ArrayIterator` creates a buffered iterator for reading big arrays in small contiguous blocks. The class is useful for objects stored in the file system. It allows iteration over the object *without* reading everything in memory; instead, small blocks are read and iterated over.

`ArrayIterator` can be used with any object that supports multidimensional slices. This includes NumPy arrays, but also variables from Scientific.IO.NetCDF or pynetcdf for example.

### Parameters

#### `var`

[array\_like] The object to iterate over.

#### `buf_size`

[int, optional] The buffer size. If `buf_size` is supplied, the maximum amount of data that will be read into memory is `buf_size` elements. Default is None, which will read as many element as possible into memory.

### See also:

#### `ndenumerate`

Multidimensional array iterator.

#### `flatiter`

Flat array iterator.

#### `memmap`

Create a memory-map to an array stored in a binary file on disk.

## Notes

The algorithm works by first finding a “running dimension”, along which the blocks will be extracted. Given an array of dimensions  $(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$ , e.g. if `buf_size` is smaller than  $d_1$ , the first dimension will be used. If, on the other hand,  $d_1 < buf\_size < d_1 * d_2$  the second dimension will be used, and so on. Blocks are extracted along this dimension, and when the last block is returned the process continues from the next dimension, until all elements have been read.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(3 * 4 * 5 * 6).reshape(3, 4, 5, 6)
>>> a_itor = np.lib.Arrayterator(a, 2)
>>> a_itor.shape
(3, 4, 5, 6)
```

Now we can iterate over `a_itor`, and it will return arrays of size two. Since `buf_size` was smaller than any dimension, the first dimension will be iterated over first:

```
>>> for subarr in a_itor:
...     if not subarr.all():
...         print(subarr, subarr.shape)
>>> # [[[0 1]]] (1, 1, 1, 2)
```

## Attributes

**var**  
**buf\_size**  
**start**  
**stop**  
**step**  
**shape**

The shape of the array to be iterated over.

**flat**

A 1-D flat iterator for Arrayterator objects.

`numpy.iterable(y)`

Check whether or not an object can be iterated over.

## Parameters

**y**  
[object] Input object.

## Returns

**b**  
[bool] Return `True` if the object has an iterator method or is a sequence and `False` otherwise.

## Notes

In most cases, the results of `np.iterable(obj)` are consistent with `isinstance(obj, collections.abc.Iterable)`. One notable exception is the treatment of 0-dimensional arrays:

```
>>> from collections.abc import Iterable
>>> a = np.array(1.0) # 0-dimensional numpy array
>>> isinstance(a, Iterable)
True
>>> np.iterable(a)
False
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.iterable([1, 2, 3])
True
>>> np.iterable(2)
False
```

## 1.5 Iterating Over Arrays

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**Note:** Arrays support the iterator protocol and can be iterated over like Python lists. See the `quickstart.indexing-slicing-and-iterating` section in the Quickstart guide for basic usage and examples. The remainder of this document presents the `nditer` object and covers more advanced usage.

---

The iterator object `nditer`, introduced in NumPy 1.6, provides many flexible ways to visit all the elements of one or more arrays in a systematic fashion. This page introduces some basic ways to use the object for computations on arrays in Python, then concludes with how one can accelerate the inner loop in Cython. Since the Python exposure of `nditer` is a relatively straightforward mapping of the C array iterator API, these ideas will also provide help working with array iteration from C or C++.

### 1.5.1 Single Array Iteration

The most basic task that can be done with the `nditer` is to visit every element of an array. Each element is provided one by one using the standard Python iterator interface.

---

#### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
>>> for x in np.nditer(a):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
0 1 2 3 4 5
```

---

An important thing to be aware of for this iteration is that the order is chosen to match the memory layout of the array instead of using a standard C or Fortran ordering. This is done for access efficiency, reflecting the idea that by default one simply wants to visit each element without concern for a particular ordering. We can see this by iterating over the transpose of our previous array, compared to taking a copy of that transpose in C order.

---

**Example**

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> for x in np.nditer(a.T):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
0 1 2 3 4 5
```

```
>>> for x in np.nditer(a.T.copy(order='C')):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
0 3 1 4 2 5
```

---

The elements of both `a` and `a.T` get traversed in the same order, namely the order they are stored in memory, whereas the elements of `a.T.copy(order='C')` get visited in a different order because they have been put into a different memory layout.

**Controlling Iteration Order**

There are times when it is important to visit the elements of an array in a specific order, irrespective of the layout of the elements in memory. The `nditer` object provides an `order` parameter to control this aspect of iteration. The default, having the behavior described above, is `order='K'` to keep the existing order. This can be overridden with `order='C'` for C order and `order='F'` for Fortran order.

---

**Example**

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, order='F'):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
0 3 1 4 2 5
>>> for x in np.nditer(a.T, order='C'):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
0 3 1 4 2 5
```

---

**Modifying Array Values**

By default, the `nditer` treats the input operand as a read-only object. To be able to modify the array elements, you must specify either read-write or write-only mode using the `'readwrite'` or `'writeonly'` per-operand flags.

The `nditer` will then yield writeable buffer arrays which you may modify. However, because the `nditer` must copy this buffer data back to the original array once iteration is finished, you must signal when the iteration is ended, by one of two methods. You may either:

- used the `nditer` as a context manager using the `with` statement, and the temporary data will be written back when the context is exited.
- call the iterator's `close` method once finished iterating, which will trigger the write-back.

The `nditer` can no longer be iterated once either `close` is called or its context is exited.

---

**Example**

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
>>> a
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> with np.nditer(a, op_flags=['readwrite']) as it:
...     for x in it:
...         x[...] = 2 * x
...
>>> a
array([[ 0,  2,  4],
       [ 6,  8, 10]])
```

---

If you are writing code that needs to support older versions of numpy, note that prior to 1.15, `nditer` was not a context manager and did not have a `close` method. Instead it relied on the destructor to initiate the writeback of the buffer.

**Using an External Loop**

In all the examples so far, the elements of `a` are provided by the iterator one at a time, because all the looping logic is internal to the iterator. While this is simple and convenient, it is not very efficient. A better approach is to move the one-dimensional innermost loop into your code, external to the iterator. This way, NumPy's vectorized operations can be used on larger chunks of the elements being visited.

The `nditer` will try to provide chunks that are as large as possible to the inner loop. By forcing 'C' and 'F' order, we get different external loop sizes. This mode is enabled by specifying an iterator flag.

Observe that with the default of keeping native memory order, the iterator is able to provide a single one-dimensional chunk, whereas when forcing Fortran order, it has to provide three chunks of two elements each.

---

**Example**

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['external_loop']):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
[0 1 2 3 4 5]
```

---

```
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['external_loop'], order='F'):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
[0 3] [1 4] [2 5]
```

---

## Tracking an Index or Multi-Index

During iteration, you may want to use the index of the current element in a computation. For example, you may want to visit the elements of an array in memory order, but use a C-order, Fortran-order, or multidimensional index to look up values in a different array.

The index is tracked by the iterator object itself, and accessible through the *index* or *multi\_index* properties, depending on what was requested. The examples below show printouts demonstrating the progression of the index:

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> it = np.nditer(a, flags=['f_index'])
>>> for x in it:
...     print("%d <%d>" % (x, it.index), end=' ')
...
0 <0> 1 <2> 2 <4> 3 <1> 4 <3> 5 <5>
```

```
>>> it = np.nditer(a, flags=['multi_index'])
>>> for x in it:
...     print("%d <%s>" % (x, it.multi_index), end=' ')
...
0 <(0, 0)> 1 <(0, 1)> 2 <(0, 2)> 3 <(1, 0)> 4 <(1, 1)> 5 <(1, 2)>
```

```
>>> with np.nditer(a, flags=['multi_index'], op_flags=['writeonly']) as it:
...     for x in it:
...         x[...] = it.multi_index[1] - it.multi_index[0]
...
>>> a
array([[ 0,  1,  2],
       [-1,  0,  1]])
```

---

Tracking an index or multi-index is incompatible with using an external loop, because it requires a different index value per element. If you try to combine these flags, the *nditer* object will raise an exception.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.zeros((2,3))
>>> it = np.nditer(a, flags=['c_index', 'external_loop'])
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: Iterator flag EXTERNAL_LOOP cannot be used if an index or multi-index is
being tracked
```

---

## Alternative Looping and Element Access

To make its properties more readily accessible during iteration, `nditer` has an alternative syntax for iterating, which works explicitly with the iterator object itself. With this looping construct, the current value is accessible by indexing into the iterator. Other properties, such as tracked indices remain as before. The examples below produce identical results to the ones in the previous section.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
>>> it = np.nditer(a, flags=['f_index'])
>>> while not it.finished:
...     print("%d <%d>" % (it[0], it.index), end=' ')
...     is_not_finished = it.iternext()
...
0 <0> 1 <2> 2 <4> 3 <1> 4 <3> 5 <5>
```

```
>>> it = np.nditer(a, flags=['multi_index'])
>>> while not it.finished:
...     print("%d <%s>" % (it[0], it.multi_index), end=' ')
...     is_not_finished = it.iternext()
...
0 <(0, 0)> 1 <(0, 1)> 2 <(0, 2)> 3 <(1, 0)> 4 <(1, 1)> 5 <(1, 2)>
```

```
>>> with np.nditer(a, flags=['multi_index'], op_flags=['writeonly']) as it:
...     while not it.finished:
...         it[0] = it.multi_index[1] - it.multi_index[0]
...         is_not_finished = it.iternext()
...
>>> a
array([[ 0,  1,  2],
       [-1,  0,  1]])
```

---

## Buffering the Array Elements

When forcing an iteration order, we observed that the external loop option may provide the elements in smaller chunks because the elements can't be visited in the appropriate order with a constant stride. When writing C code, this is generally fine, however in pure Python code this can cause a significant reduction in performance.

By enabling buffering mode, the chunks provided by the iterator to the inner loop can be made larger, significantly reducing the overhead of the Python interpreter. In the example forcing Fortran iteration order, the inner loop gets to see all the elements in one go when buffering is enabled.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['external_loop'], order='F'):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
[0 3] [1 4] [2 5]
```

```
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['external_loop', 'buffered'], order='F'):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
[0 3 1 4 2 5]
```

## Iterating as a Specific Data Type

There are times when it is necessary to treat an array as a different data type than it is stored as. For instance, one may want to do all computations on 64-bit floats, even if the arrays being manipulated are 32-bit floats. Except when writing low-level C code, it's generally better to let the iterator handle the copying or buffering instead of casting the data type yourself in the inner loop.

There are two mechanisms which allow this to be done, temporary copies and buffering mode. With temporary copies, a copy of the entire array is made with the new data type, then iteration is done in the copy. Write access is permitted through a mode which updates the original array after all the iteration is complete. The major drawback of temporary copies is that the temporary copy may consume a large amount of memory, particularly if the iteration data type has a larger itemsize than the original one.

Buffering mode mitigates the memory usage issue and is more cache-friendly than making temporary copies. Except for special cases, where the whole array is needed at once outside the iterator, buffering is recommended over temporary copying. Within NumPy, buffering is used by the ufuncs and other functions to support flexible inputs with minimal memory overhead.

In our examples, we will treat the input array with a complex data type, so that we can take square roots of negative numbers. Without enabling copies or buffering mode, the iterator will raise an exception if the data type doesn't match precisely.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3) - 3
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, op_dtypes=['complex128']):
...     print(np.sqrt(x), end=' ')
...
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
TypeError: Iterator operand required copying or buffering, but neither copying nor
buffering was enabled
```

In copying mode, ‘copy’ is specified as a per-operand flag. This is done to provide control in a per-operand fashion. Buffering mode is specified as an iterator flag.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3) - 3
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, op_flags=['readonly', 'copy'],
...                      op_dtypes=['complex128']):
...     print(np.sqrt(x), end=' ')
...
1.7320508075688772j 1.4142135623730951j 1j 0j (1+0j) (1.4142135623730951+0j)
```

```
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['buffered'], op_dtypes=['complex128']):
...     print(np.sqrt(x), end=' ')
```

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```
...
1.7320508075688772j 1.4142135623730951j 1j 0j (1+0j) (1.4142135623730951+0j)
```

The iterator uses NumPy's casting rules to determine whether a specific conversion is permitted. By default, it enforces 'safe' casting. This means, for example, that it will raise an exception if you try to treat a 64-bit float array as a 32-bit float array. In many cases, the rule 'same\_kind' is the most reasonable rule to use, since it will allow conversion from 64 to 32-bit float, but not from float to int or from complex to float.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(6.)
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['buffered'], op_dtypes=['float32']):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
TypeError: Iterator operand 0 dtype could not be cast from dtype('float64') to dtype(
˓→'float32') according to the rule 'safe'
```

```
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['buffered'], op_dtypes=['float32'],
...                      casting='same_kind'):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0
```

```
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['buffered'], op_dtypes=['int32'], casting='same_kind
˓→'):
...     print(x, end=' ')
...
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
TypeError: Iterator operand 0 dtype could not be cast from dtype('float64') to dtype(
˓→'int32') according to the rule 'same_kind'
```

One thing to watch out for is conversions back to the original data type when using a read-write or write-only operand. A common case is to implement the inner loop in terms of 64-bit floats, and use 'same\_kind' casting to allow the other floating-point types to be processed as well. While in read-only mode, an integer array could be provided, read-write mode will raise an exception because conversion back to the array would violate the casting rule.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(6)
>>> for x in np.nditer(a, flags=['buffered'], op_flags=['readwrite'],
...                      op_dtypes=['float64'], casting='same_kind'):
...     x[...] = x / 2.0
...
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<stdin>", line 2, in <module>
TypeError: Iterator requested dtype could not be cast from dtype('float64') to dtype(
˓→'int64'), the operand 0 dtype, according to the rule 'same_kind'
```

## 1.5.2 Broadcasting Array Iteration

NumPy has a set of rules for dealing with arrays that have differing shapes which are applied whenever functions take multiple operands which combine element-wise. This is called broadcasting. The `nditer` object can apply these rules for you when you need to write such a function.

As an example, we print out the result of broadcasting a one and a two dimensional array together.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(3)
>>> b = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> for x, y in np.nditer([a,b]):
...     print("%d:%d" % (x,y), end=' ')
...
0:0 1:1 2:2 0:3 1:4 2:5
```

---

When a broadcasting error occurs, the iterator raises an exception which includes the input shapes to help diagnose the problem.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(2)
>>> b = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> for x, y in np.nditer([a,b]):
...     print("%d:%d" % (x,y), end=' ')
...
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: operands could not be broadcast together with shapes (2,) (2,3)
```

---

## Iterator-Allocated Output Arrays

A common case in NumPy functions is to have outputs allocated based on the broadcasting of the input, and additionally have an optional parameter called ‘out’ where the result will be placed when it is provided. The `nditer` object provides a convenient idiom that makes it very easy to support this mechanism.

We’ll show how this works by creating a function `square` which squares its input. Let’s start with a minimal function definition excluding ‘out’ parameter support.

---

### Example

```
>>> def square(a):
...     with np.nditer([a, None]) as it:
...         for x, y in it:
...             y[...] = x*x
...     return it.operands[1]
...
>>> square([1,2,3])
array([1, 4, 9])
```

---

By default, the `nditer` uses the flags ‘allocate’ and ‘writeonly’ for operands that are passed in as `None`. This means we were able to provide just the two operands to the iterator, and it handled the rest.

When adding the ‘out’ parameter, we have to explicitly provide those flags, because if someone passes in an array as ‘out’, the iterator will default to ‘readonly’, and our inner loop would fail. The reason ‘readonly’ is the default for input arrays is to prevent confusion about unintentionally triggering a reduction operation. If the default were ‘readwrite’, any broadcasting operation would also trigger a reduction, a topic which is covered later in this document.

While we’re at it, let’s also introduce the ‘no\_broadcast’ flag, which will prevent the output from being broadcast. This is important, because we only want one input value for each output. Aggregating more than one input value is a reduction operation which requires special handling. It would already raise an error because reductions must be explicitly enabled in an iterator flag, but the error message that results from disabling broadcasting is much more understandable for end-users. To see how to generalize the square function to a reduction, look at the sum of squares function in the section about Cython.

For completeness, we’ll also add the ‘external\_loop’ and ‘buffered’ flags, as these are what you will typically want for performance reasons.

### Example

```
>>> def square(a, out=None):
...     it = np.nditer([a, out],
...                   flags = ['external_loop', 'buffered'],
...                   op_flags = [['readonly'],
...                               ['writeonly', 'allocate', 'no_broadcast']])
...     with it:
...         for x, y in it:
...             y[...] = x*x
...     return it.operands[1]
...
```

```
>>> square([1,2,3])
array([1, 4, 9])
```

```
>>> b = np.zeros((3,))
>>> square([1,2,3], out=b)
array([1., 4., 9.])
>>> b
array([1., 4., 9.])
```

```
>>> square(np.arange(6).reshape(2,3), out=b)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: non-broadcastable output operand with shape (3,) doesn't
match the broadcast shape (2,3)
```

## Outer Product Iteration

Any binary operation can be extended to an array operation in an outer product fashion like in `outer`, and the `nditer` object provides a way to accomplish this by explicitly mapping the axes of the operands. It is also possible to do this with `newaxis` indexing, but we will show you how to directly use the `nditer op_axes` parameter to accomplish this with no intermediate views.

We'll do a simple outer product, placing the dimensions of the first operand before the dimensions of the second operand. The `op_axes` parameter needs one list of axes for each operand, and provides a mapping from the iterator's axes to the axes of the operand.

Suppose the first operand is one dimensional and the second operand is two dimensional. The iterator will have three dimensions, so `op_axes` will have two 3-element lists. The first list picks out the one axis of the first operand, and is -1 for the rest of the iterator axes, with a final result of [0, -1, -1]. The second list picks out the two axes of the second operand, but shouldn't overlap with the axes picked out in the first operand. Its list is [-1, 0, 1]. The output operand maps onto the iterator axes in the standard manner, so we can provide `None` instead of constructing another list.

The operation in the inner loop is a straightforward multiplication. Everything to do with the outer product is handled by the iterator setup.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(3)
>>> b = np.arange(8).reshape(2, 4)
>>> it = np.nditer([a, b, None], flags=['external_loop'],
...                 op_axes=[[0, -1, -1], [-1, 0, 1], None])
>>> with it:
...     for x, y, z in it:
...         z[...] = x*y
...     result = it.operands[2] # same as z
...
>>> result
array([[ 0,  0,  0,  0],
       [ 0,  0,  0,  0],
       [[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
        [ 4,  5,  6,  7]],
       [[ 0,  2,  4,  6],
        [ 8, 10, 12, 14]]])
```

---

Note that once the iterator is closed we can not access `operands` and must use a reference created inside the context manager.

## Reduction Iteration

Whenever a writeable operand has fewer elements than the full iteration space, that operand is undergoing a reduction. The `nditer` object requires that any reduction operand be flagged as read-write, and only allows reductions when 'reduce\_ok' is provided as an iterator flag.

For a simple example, consider taking the sum of all elements in an array.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(24).reshape(2, 3, 4)
>>> b = np.array(0)
```

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```
>>> with np.nditer([a, b], flags=['reduce_ok'],
...                  op_flags=[['readonly'], ['readwrite']]) as it:
...     for x,y in it:
...         y[...] += x
...
>>> b
array(276)
>>> np.sum(a)
276
```

Things are a little bit more tricky when combining reduction and allocated operands. Before iteration is started, any reduction operand must be initialized to its starting values. Here's how we can do this, taking sums along the last axis of *a*.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(24).reshape(2,3,4)
>>> it = np.nditer([a, None], flags=['reduce_ok'],
...                  op_flags=[['readonly'], ['readwrite', 'allocate']],
...                  op_axes=[None, [0,1,-1]])
>>> with it:
...     it.operands[1][...] = 0
...     for x, y in it:
...         y[...] += x
...     result = it.operands[1]
...
>>> result
array([[ 6, 22, 38],
       [54, 70, 86]])
>>> np.sum(a, axis=2)
array([[ 6, 22, 38],
       [54, 70, 86]])
```

To do buffered reduction requires yet another adjustment during the setup. Normally the iterator construction involves copying the first buffer of data from the readable arrays into the buffer. Any reduction operand is readable, so it may be read into a buffer. Unfortunately, initialization of the operand after this buffering operation is complete will not be reflected in the buffer that the iteration starts with, and garbage results will be produced.

The iterator flag “delay\_bufalloc” is there to allow iterator-allocated reduction operands to exist together with buffering. When this flag is set, the iterator will leave its buffers uninitialized until it receives a reset, after which it will be ready for regular iteration. Here's how the previous example looks if we also enable buffering.

---

### Example

```
>>> a = np.arange(24).reshape(2,3,4)
>>> it = np.nditer([a, None], flags=['reduce_ok',
...                                'buffered', 'delay_bufalloc'],
...                  op_flags=[['readonly'], ['readwrite', 'allocate']],
...                  op_axes=[None, [0,1,-1]])
>>> with it:
...     it.operands[1][...] = 0
...     it.reset()
...     for x, y in it:
```

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```

...     y[...] += x
...     result = it.operands[1]
...
>>> result
array([[ 6, 22, 38],
       [54, 70, 86]])

```

### 1.5.3 Putting the Inner Loop in Cython

Those who want really good performance out of their low level operations should strongly consider directly using the iteration API provided in C, but for those who are not comfortable with C or C++, Cython is a good middle ground with reasonable performance tradeoffs. For the `nditer` object, this means letting the iterator take care of broadcasting, dtype conversion, and buffering, while giving the inner loop to Cython.

For our example, we'll create a sum of squares function. To start, let's implement this function in straightforward Python. We want to support an 'axis' parameter similar to the numpy `sum` function, so we will need to construct a list for the `op_axes` parameter. Here's how this looks.

---

#### Example

```

>>> def axis_to_axeslist(axis, ndim):
...     if axis is None:
...         return [-1] * ndim
...     else:
...         if type(axis) is not tuple:
...             axis = (axis,)
...             axeslist = [1] * ndim
...             for i in axis:
...                 axeslist[i] = -1
...             ax = 0
...             for i in range(ndim):
...                 if axeslist[i] != -1:
...                     axeslist[i] = ax
...                     ax += 1
...             return axeslist
...
>>> def sum_squares_py(arr, axis=None, out=None):
...     axeslist = axis_to_axeslist(axis, arr.ndim)
...     it = np.nditer([arr, out], flags=['reduce_ok',
...                                         'buffered', 'delay_bufalloc'],
...                   op_flags=[['readonly'], ['readwrite', 'allocate']],
...                   op_axes=[None, axeslist],
...                   op_dtypes=['float64', 'float64'])
...     with it:
...         it.operands[1][...] = 0
...         it.reset()
...         for x, y in it:
...             y[...] += x*x
...     return it.operands[1]
...
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> sum_squares_py(a)
array(55.)

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```
>>> sum_squares_py(a, axis=-1)
array([ 5.,  50.])
```

To Cython-ize this function, we replace the inner loop ( $y[\dots] += x^*x$ ) with Cython code that's specialized for the float64 dtype. With the ‘external\_loop’ flag enabled, the arrays provided to the inner loop will always be one-dimensional, so very little checking needs to be done.

Here's the listing of sum\_squares.pyx:

```
import numpy as np
cimport numpy as np
cimport cython

def axis_to_axeslist(axis, ndim):
    if axis is None:
        return [-1] * ndim
    else:
        if type(axis) is not tuple:
            axis = (axis,)
        axeslist = [1] * ndim
        for i in axis:
            axeslist[i] = -1
        ax = 0
        for i in range(ndim):
            if axeslist[i] != -1:
                axeslist[i] = ax
                ax += 1
        return axeslist

@cython.boundscheck(False)
def sum_squares_cy(arr, axis=None, out=None):
    cdef np.ndarray[double] x
    cdef np.ndarray[double] y
    cdef int size
    cdef double value

    axeslist = axis_to_axeslist(axis, arr.ndim)
    it = np.nditer([arr, out], flags=['reduce_ok', 'external_loop',
                                      'buffered', 'delay_bufalloc'],
                  op_flags=[['readonly'], ['readwrite', 'allocate']],
                  op_axes=[None, axeslist],
                  op_dtypes=['float64', 'float64'])

    with it:
        it.operands[1][...] = 0
        it.reset()
        for xarr, yarr in it:
            x = xarr
            y = yarr
            size = x.shape[0]
            for i in range(size):
                value = x[i]
                y[i] = y[i] + value * value
    return it.operands[1]
```

On this machine, building the .pyx file into a module looked like the following, but you may have to find some Cython tutorials to tell you the specifics for your system configuration.:

```
$ cython sum_squares.pyx
$ gcc -shared -pthread -fPIC -fwrapv -O2 -Wall -I/usr/include/python2.7 -fno-strict-
  ↵aliasing -o sum_squares.so sum_squares.c
```

Running this from the Python interpreter produces the same answers as our native Python/NumPy code did.

---

### Example

```
>>> from sum_squares import sum_squares_cy
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> sum_squares_cy(a)
array(55.0)
>>> sum_squares_cy(a, axis=-1)
array([ 5., 50.])
```

Doing a little timing in IPython shows that the reduced overhead and memory allocation of the Cython inner loop is providing a very nice speedup over both the straightforward Python code and an expression using NumPy's built-in sum function.:

```
>>> a = np.random.rand(1000,1000)

>>> timeit sum_squares_py(a, axis=-1)
10 loops, best of 3: 37.1 ms per loop

>>> timeit np.sum(a*a, axis=-1)
10 loops, best of 3: 20.9 ms per loop

>>> timeit sum_squares_cy(a, axis=-1)
100 loops, best of 3: 11.8 ms per loop

>>> np.all(sum_squares_cy(a, axis=-1) == np.sum(a*a, axis=-1))
True

>>> np.all(sum_squares_py(a, axis=-1) == np.sum(a*a, axis=-1))
True
```

## 1.6 Standard array subclasses

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**Note:** Subclassing a `numpy.ndarray` is possible but if your goal is to create an array with *modified* behavior, as do dask arrays for distributed computation and cupy arrays for GPU-based computation, subclassing is discouraged. Instead, using numpy's dispatch mechanism is recommended.

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The `ndarray` can be inherited from (in Python or in C) if desired. Therefore, it can form a foundation for many useful classes. Often whether to sub-class the array object or to simply use the core array component as an internal part of a new class is a difficult decision, and can be simply a matter of choice. NumPy has several tools for simplifying how your new object interacts with other array objects, and so the choice may not be significant in the end. One way to simplify the question is by asking yourself if the object you are interested in can be replaced as a single array or does it really require two or more arrays at its core.

Note that `asarray` always returns the base-class `ndarray`. If you are confident that your use of the array object can handle any subclass of an `ndarray`, then `asanyarray` can be used to allow subclasses to propagate more cleanly through

your subroutine. In principal a subclass could redefine any aspect of the array and therefore, under strict guidelines, `asanyarray` would rarely be useful. However, most subclasses of the array object will not redefine certain aspects of the array object such as the buffer interface, or the attributes of the array. One important example, however, of why your subroutine may not be able to handle an arbitrary subclass of an array is that matrices redefine the “`*`” operator to be matrix-multiplication, rather than element-by-element multiplication.

## 1.6.1 Special attributes and methods

### See also:

[Subclassing ndarray](#)

NumPy provides several hooks that classes can customize:

```
class.__array_ufunc__(ufunc, method, *inputs, **kwargs)
```

New in version 1.13.

Any class, ndarray subclass or not, can define this method or set it to None in order to override the behavior of NumPy’s ufuncs. This works quite similarly to Python’s `__mul__` and other binary operation routines.

- *ufunc* is the ufunc object that was called.
- *method* is a string indicating which Ufunc method was called (one of “`__call__`”, “`reduce`”, “`reduceat`”, “`accumulate`”, “`outer`”, “`inner`”).
- *inputs* is a tuple of the input arguments to the ufunc.
- *kwargs* is a dictionary containing the optional input arguments of the ufunc. If given, any `out` arguments, both positional and keyword, are passed as a `tuple` in *kwargs*. See the discussion in [Universal functions \(ufunc\)](#) for details.

The method should return either the result of the operation, or `NotImplemented` if the operation requested is not implemented.

If one of the input or output arguments has a `__array_ufunc__` method, it is executed *instead* of the ufunc. If more than one of the arguments implements `__array_ufunc__`, they are tried in the order: subclasses before superclasses, inputs before outputs, otherwise left to right. The first routine returning something other than `NotImplemented` determines the result. If all of the `__array_ufunc__` operations return `NotImplemented`, a `TypeError` is raised.

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**Note:** We intend to re-implement numpy functions as (generalized) Ufunc, in which case it will become possible for them to be overridden by the `__array_ufunc__` method. A prime candidate is `matmul`, which currently is not a Ufunc, but could be relatively easily be rewritten as a (set of) generalized Ufuncs. The same may happen with functions such as `median`, `amin`, and `argsort`.

---

Like with some other special methods in python, such as `__hash__` and `__iter__`, it is possible to indicate that your class does *not* support ufuncs by setting `__array_ufunc__ = None`. Ufuncs always raise `TypeError` when called on an object that sets `__array_ufunc__ = None`.

The presence of `__array_ufunc__` also influences how `ndarray` handles binary operations like `arr + obj` and `arr < obj` when `arr` is an `ndarray` and `obj` is an instance of a custom class. There are two possibilities. If `obj.__array_ufunc__` is present and not `None`, then `ndarray.__add__` and friends will delegate to the ufunc machinery, meaning that `arr + obj` becomes `np.add(arr, obj)`, and then `add` invokes `obj.__array_ufunc__`. This is useful if you want to define an object that acts like an array.

Alternatively, if `obj.__array_ufunc__` is set to `None`, then as a special case, special methods like `ndarray.__add__` will notice this and *unconditionally* raise `TypeError`. This is useful if you want to create objects that interact with arrays via binary operations, but are not themselves arrays. For example, a units handling

system might have an object `m` representing the “meters” unit, and want to support the syntax `arr * m` to represent that the array has units of “meters”, but not want to otherwise interact with arrays via ufuncs or otherwise. This can be done by setting `__array_ufunc__ = None` and defining `__mul__` and `__rmul__` methods. (Note that this means that writing an `__array_ufunc__` that always returns `NotImplemented` is not quite the same as setting `__array_ufunc__ = None`: in the former case, `arr + obj` will raise `TypeError`, while in the latter case it is possible to define a `__radd__` method to prevent this.)

The above does not hold for in-place operators, for which `ndarray` never returns `NotImplemented`. Hence, `arr += obj` would always lead to a `TypeError`. This is because for arrays in-place operations cannot generally be replaced by a simple reverse operation. (For instance, by default, `arr += obj` would be translated to `arr = arr + obj`, i.e., `arr` would be replaced, contrary to what is expected for in-place array operations.)

---

**Note:** If you define `__array_ufunc__`:

- If you are not a subclass of `ndarray`, we recommend your class define special methods like `__add__` and `__lt__` that delegate to ufuncs just like `ndarray` does. An easy way to do this is to subclass from `NDArrayOperatorsMixin`.
- If you subclass `ndarray`, we recommend that you put all your override logic in `__array_ufunc__` and not also override special methods. This ensures the class hierarchy is determined in only one place rather than separately by the ufunc machinery and by the binary operation rules (which gives preference to special methods of subclasses; the alternative way to enforce a one-place only hierarchy, of setting `__array_ufunc__` to `None`, would seem very unexpected and thus confusing, as then the subclass would not work at all with ufuncs).
- `ndarray` defines its own `__array_ufunc__`, which, evaluates the ufunc if no arguments have overrides, and returns `NotImplemented` otherwise. This may be useful for subclasses for which `__array_ufunc__` converts any instances of its own class to `ndarray`: it can then pass these on to its superclass using `super().__array_ufunc__(*inputs, **kwargs)`, and finally return the results after possible back-conversion. The advantage of this practice is that it ensures that it is possible to have a hierarchy of subclasses that extend the behaviour. See Subclassing `ndarray` for details.

---

**Note:** If a class defines the `__array_ufunc__` method, this disables the `__array_wrap__`, `__array_prepare__`, `__array_priority__` mechanism described below for ufuncs (which may eventually be deprecated).

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```
class.__array_function__(func, types, args, kwargs)
```

New in version 1.16.

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**Note:**

- In NumPy 1.17, the protocol is enabled by default, but can be disabled with `NUMPY_EXPERIMENTAL_ARRAY_FUNCTION=0`.
- In NumPy 1.16, you need to set the environment variable `NUMPY_EXPERIMENTAL_ARRAY_FUNCTION=1` before importing NumPy to use NumPy function overrides.
- Eventually, expect to `__array_function__` to always be enabled.

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- `func` is an arbitrary callable exposed by NumPy’s public API, which was called in the form `func(*args, **kwargs)`.
  - `types` is a collection `collections.abc.Collection` of unique argument types from the original NumPy function call that implement `__array_function__`.

- The tuple `args` and dict `kwargs` are directly passed on from the original call.

As a convenience for `__array_function__` implementors, `types` provides all argument types with an '`__array_function__`' attribute. This allows implementors to quickly identify cases where they should defer to `__array_function__` implementations on other arguments. Implementations should not rely on the iteration order of `types`.

Most implementations of `__array_function__` will start with two checks:

1. Is the given function something that we know how to overload?
2. Are all arguments of a type that we know how to handle?

If these conditions hold, `__array_function__` should return the result from calling its implementation for `func(*args, **kwargs)`. Otherwise, it should return the sentinel value `NotImplemented`, indicating that the function is not implemented by these types.

There are no general requirements on the return value from `__array_function__`, although most sensible implementations should probably return array(s) with the same type as one of the function's arguments.

It may also be convenient to define a custom decorators (`implements` below) for registering `__array_function__` implementations.

```
HANDLED_FUNCTIONS = {}

class MyArray:
    def __array_function__(self, func, types, args, kwargs):
        if func not in HANDLED_FUNCTIONS:
            return NotImplemented
        # Note: this allows subclasses that don't override
        # __array_function__ to handle MyArray objects
        if not all(issubclass(t, MyArray) for t in types):
            return NotImplemented
        return HANDLED_FUNCTIONS[func](*args, **kwargs)

    def implements(numpy_function):
        """Register an __array_function__ implementation for MyArray objects."""
        def decorator(func):
            HANDLED_FUNCTIONS[numpy_function] = func
            return func
        return decorator

    @implements(np.concatenate)
    def concatenate(arrays, axis=0, out=None):
        ... # implementation of concatenate for MyArray objects

    @implements(np.broadcast_to)
    def broadcast_to(array, shape):
        ... # implementation of broadcast_to for MyArray objects
```

Note that it is not required for `__array_function__` implementations to include *all* of the corresponding NumPy function's optional arguments (e.g., `broadcast_to` above omits the irrelevant `subok` argument). Optional arguments are only passed in to `__array_function__` if they were explicitly used in the NumPy function call.

Just like the case for builtin special methods like `__add__`, properly written `__array_function__` methods should always return `NotImplemented` when an unknown type is encountered. Otherwise, it will be impossible to correctly override NumPy functions from another object if the operation also includes one of your objects.

For the most part, the rules for dispatch with `__array_function__` match those for `__array_ufunc__`. In particular:

- NumPy will gather implementations of `__array_function__` from all specified inputs and call them in order: subclasses before superclasses, and otherwise left to right. Note that in some edge cases involving subclasses, this differs slightly from the [current behavior of Python](#).
- Implementations of `__array_function__` indicate that they can handle the operation by returning any value other than `NotImplemented`.
- If all `__array_function__` methods return `NotImplemented`, NumPy will raise `TypeError`.

If no `__array_function__` methods exists, NumPy will default to calling its own implementation, intended for use on NumPy arrays. This case arises, for example, when all array-like arguments are Python numbers or lists. (NumPy arrays do have a `__array_function__` method, given below, but it always returns `NotImplemented` if any argument other than a NumPy array subclass implements `__array_function__`.)

One deviation from the current behavior of `__array_ufunc__` is that NumPy will only call `__array_function__` on the *first* argument of each unique type. This matches Python's [rule for calling reflected methods](#), and this ensures that checking overloads has acceptable performance even when there are a large number of overloaded arguments.

```
class.__array_finalize__(obj)
```

This method is called whenever the system internally allocates a new array from `obj`, where `obj` is a subclass (subtype) of the [`ndarray`](#). It can be used to change attributes of `self` after construction (so as to ensure a 2-d matrix for example), or to update meta-information from the “parent.” Subclasses inherit a default implementation of this method that does nothing.

```
class.__array_prepare__(array, context=None)
```

At the beginning of every ufunc, this method is called on the input object with the highest array priority, or the output object if one was specified. The output array is passed in and whatever is returned is passed to the ufunc. Subclasses inherit a default implementation of this method which simply returns the output array unmodified. Subclasses may opt to use this method to transform the output array into an instance of the subclass and update metadata before returning the array to the ufunc for computation.

---

**Note:** For ufuncs, it is hoped to eventually deprecate this method in favour of [`\_\_array\_ufunc\_\_`](#).

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```
class.__array_wrap__(array, context=None)
```

At the end of every ufunc, this method is called on the input object with the highest array priority, or the output object if one was specified. The ufunc-computed array is passed in and whatever is returned is passed to the user. Subclasses inherit a default implementation of this method, which transforms the array into a new instance of the object's class. Subclasses may opt to use this method to transform the output array into an instance of the subclass and update metadata before returning the array to the user.

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**Note:** For ufuncs, it is hoped to eventually deprecate this method in favour of [`\_\_array\_ufunc\_\_`](#).

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```
class.__array_priority__
```

The value of this attribute is used to determine what type of object to return in situations where there is more than one possibility for the Python type of the returned object. Subclasses inherit a default value of 0.0 for this attribute.

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**Note:** For ufuncs, it is hoped to eventually deprecate this method in favour of [`\_\_array\_ufunc\_\_`](#).

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```
class.__array__([dtype])
```

If a class (ndarray subclass or not) having the `__array__` method is used as the output object of an ufunc, results will *not* be written to the object returned by `__array__`. This practice will return `TypeError`.

## 1.6.2 Matrix objects

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**Note:** It is strongly advised *not* to use the matrix subclass. As described below, it makes writing functions that deal consistently with matrices and regular arrays very difficult. Currently, they are mainly used for interacting with `scipy.sparse`. We hope to provide an alternative for this use, however, and eventually remove the `matrix` subclass.

`matrix` objects inherit from the ndarray and therefore, they have the same attributes and methods of ndarrays. There are six important differences of matrix objects, however, that may lead to unexpected results when you use matrices but expect them to act like arrays:

1. Matrix objects can be created using a string notation to allow Matlab-style syntax where spaces separate columns and semicolons (`;`) separate rows.
2. Matrix objects are always two-dimensional. This has far-reaching implications, in that `m.ravel()` is still two-dimensional (with a 1 in the first dimension) and item selection returns two-dimensional objects so that sequence behavior is fundamentally different than arrays.
3. Matrix objects over-ride multiplication to be matrix-multiplication. **Make sure you understand this for functions that you may want to receive matrices. Especially in light of the fact that `asanyarray(m)` returns a matrix when `m` is a matrix.**
4. Matrix objects over-ride power to be matrix raised to a power. The same warning about using power inside a function that uses `asanyarray(...)` to get an array object holds for this fact.
5. The default `__array_priority__` of matrix objects is 10.0, and therefore mixed operations with ndarrays always produce matrices.
6. Matrices have special attributes which make calculations easier. These are

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<code>matrix.T</code>	Returns the transpose of the matrix.
<code>matrix.H</code>	Returns the (complex) conjugate transpose of <i>self</i> .
<code>matrix.I</code>	Returns the (multiplicative) inverse of invertible <i>self</i> .
<code>matrix.A</code>	Return <i>self</i> as an <code>ndarray</code> object.

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property

**property** `matrix.T`

Returns the transpose of the matrix.

Does *not* conjugate! For the complex conjugate transpose, use `.H`.

### Parameters

**None**

### Returns

**ret**

[matrix object] The (non-conjugated) transpose of the matrix.

See also:

`transpose, getH`

## Examples

```
>>> m = np.matrix('1, 2; 3, 4')
>>> m
matrix([[1, 2],
        [3, 4]])
>>> m.getT()
matrix([[1, 3],
        [2, 4]])
```

property

**property** `matrix.H`

Returns the (complex) conjugate transpose of *self*.

Equivalent to `np.transpose(self)` if *self* is real-valued.

### Parameters

**None**

### Returns

**ret**

[matrix object] complex conjugate transpose of *self*

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4)))
>>> z = x - 1j*x; z
matrix([[ 0. +0.j,   1. -1.j,   2. -2.j,   3. -3.j],
       [ 4. -4.j,   5. -5.j,   6. -6.j,   7. -7.j],
       [ 8. -8.j,   9. -9.j,  10.-10.j,  11.-11.j]])
>>> z.getH()
matrix([[ 0. -0.j,   4. +4.j,   8. +8.j],
       [ 1. +1.j,   5. +5.j,   9. +9.j],
       [ 2. +2.j,   6. +6.j,  10.+10.j],
       [ 3. +3.j,   7. +7.j,  11.+11.j]])
```

property

**property** `matrix.I`

Returns the (multiplicative) inverse of invertible *self*.

### Parameters

**None**

### Returns

**ret**

[matrix object] If *self* is non-singular, *ret* is such that *ret* \* *self* == *self* \* *ret* == `np.matrix(np.eye(self[0,:].size))` all return True.

**Raises****`numpy.linalg.LinAlgError: Singular matrix`**

If *self* is singular.

**See also:****`linalg.inv`****Examples**

```
>>> m = np.matrix('1, 2; 3, 4'); m
matrix([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
>>> m.getI()
matrix([[-2.,  1.],
       [ 1.5, -0.5]])
>>> m.getI() * m
matrix([[ 1.,  0.], # may vary
       [ 0.,  1.]])
```

property

**`property matrix.A`**

Return *self* as an `ndarray` object.

Equivalent to `np.asarray(self)`.

**Parameters****None****Returns****ret**

[ndarray] *self* as an `ndarray`

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.getA()
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
```

**Warning:** Matrix objects over-ride multiplication, ‘\*’, and power, ‘\*\*’, to be matrix-multiplication and matrix power, respectively. If your subroutine can accept sub-classes and you do not convert to base- class arrays, then you must use the ufuncs multiply and power to be sure that you are performing the correct operation for all inputs.

The matrix class is a Python subclass of the ndarray and can be used as a reference for how to construct your own subclass of the ndarray. Matrices can be created from other matrices, strings, and anything else that can be converted to an ndarray. The name “mat” is an alias for “matrix” in NumPy.

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`matrix(data[, dtype, copy])`

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**Note:** It is no longer recommended to use this class, even for linear

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`asmatrix(data[, dtype])`

Interpret the input as a matrix.

`bmat(obj[, ldict, gdict])`

Build a matrix object from a string, nested sequence, or array.

---

`class numpy.matrix(data, dtype=None, copy=True)`

---

**Note:** It is no longer recommended to use this class, even for linear algebra. Instead use regular arrays. The class may be removed in the future.

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Returns a matrix from an array-like object, or from a string of data. A matrix is a specialized 2-D array that retains its 2-D nature through operations. It has certain special operators, such as `*` (matrix multiplication) and `**` (matrix power).

### Parameters

#### `data`

[array\_like or string] If `data` is a string, it is interpreted as a matrix with commas or spaces separating columns, and semicolons separating rows.

#### `dtype`

[data-type] Data-type of the output matrix.

#### `copy`

[bool] If `data` is already an `ndarray`, then this flag determines whether the data is copied (the default), or whether a view is constructed.

### See also:

`array`

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.matrix('1 2; 3 4')
>>> a
matrix([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

```
>>> np.matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
matrix([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

## Attributes

### `A`

Return *self* as an `ndarray` object.

### `A1`

Return *self* as a flattened `ndarray`.

### `H`

Returns the (complex) conjugate transpose of *self*.

### `I`

Returns the (multiplicative) inverse of invertible *self*.

### `T`

Returns the transpose of the matrix.

### `base`

Base object if memory is from some other object.

### `ctypes`

An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the `ctypes` module.

### `data`

Python buffer object pointing to the start of the array's data.

### `dtype`

Data-type of the array's elements.

### `flags`

Information about the memory layout of the array.

### `flat`

A 1-D iterator over the array.

### `imag`

The imaginary part of the array.

### `itemsize`

Length of one array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.

**ndim**

Number of array dimensions.

**real**

The real part of the array.

**shape**

Tuple of array dimensions.

**size**

Number of elements in the array.

**strides**

Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.

**Methods**

<code>all([axis, out])</code>	Test whether all matrix elements along a given axis evaluate to True.
<code>any([axis, out])</code>	Test whether any array element along a given axis evaluates to True.
<code>argmax([axis, out])</code>	Indexes of the maximum values along an axis.
<code>argmin([axis, out])</code>	Indexes of the minimum values along an axis.
<code>argpartition(kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would partition this array.
<code>argsort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would sort this array.
<code>astype(dtype[, order, casting, subok, copy])</code>	Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.
<code>byteswap([inplace])</code>	Swap the bytes of the array elements
<code>choose(choices[, out, mode])</code>	Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.
<code>clip([min, max, out])</code>	Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max].
<code>compress(condition[, axis, out])</code>	Return selected slices of this array along given axis.
<code>conj()</code>	Complex-conjugate all elements.
<code>conjugate()</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.
<code>copy([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array.
<code>cumprod([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of the elements along the given axis.
<code>cumsum([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of the elements along the given axis.
<code>diagonal([offset, axis1, axis2])</code>	Return specified diagonals.
<code>dump(file)</code>	Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file.
<code>dumps()</code>	Returns the pickle of the array as a string.
<code>fill(value)</code>	Fill the array with a scalar value.
<code>flatten([order])</code>	Return a flattened copy of the matrix.
<code>getA()</code>	Return <code>self</code> as an <code>ndarray</code> object.
<code>getA1()</code>	Return <code>self</code> as a flattened <code>ndarray</code> .
<code>getH()</code>	Returns the (complex) conjugate transpose of <code>self</code> .

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<code>getI()</code>	Returns the (multiplicative) inverse of invertible <i>self</i> .
<code>getT()</code>	Returns the transpose of the matrix.
<code>getfield(dtype[, offset])</code>	Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.
<code>item(*args)</code>	Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.
<code>itemset(*args)</code>	Insert scalar into an array (scalar is cast to array's dtype, if possible)
<code>max([axis, out])</code>	Return the maximum value along an axis.
<code>mean([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Returns the average of the matrix elements along the given axis.
<code>min([axis, out])</code>	Return the minimum value along an axis.
<code>newbyteorder([new_order])</code>	Return the array with the same data viewed with a different byte order.
<code>nonzero()</code>	Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
<code>partition(kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Rearranges the elements in the array in such a way that the value of the element in kth position is in the position it would be in a sorted array.
<code>prod([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ptp([axis, out])</code>	Peak-to-peak (maximum - minimum) value along the given axis.
<code>put(indices, values[, mode])</code>	Set <i>a.flat[n] = values[n]</i> for all <i>n</i> in indices.
<code>ravel([order])</code>	Return a flattened matrix.
<code>repeat(repeats[, axis])</code>	Repeat elements of an array.
<code>reshape(shape[, order])</code>	Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.
<code>resize(new_shape[, refcheck])</code>	Change shape and size of array in-place.
<code>round([decimals, out])</code>	Return <i>a</i> with each element rounded to the given number of decimals.
<code>searchsorted(v[, side, sorter])</code>	Find indices where elements of <i>v</i> should be inserted in <i>a</i> to maintain order.
<code>setfield(val, dtype[, offset])</code>	Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.
<code>setflags([write, align, uic])</code>	Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.
<code>sort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Sort an array in-place.
<code>squeeze([axis])</code>	Return a possibly reshaped matrix.
<code>std([axis, dtype, out, ddof])</code>	Return the standard deviation of the array elements along the given axis.
<code>sum([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Returns the sum of the matrix elements, along the given axis.
<code>swapaxes(axis1, axis2)</code>	Return a view of the array with <i>axis1</i> and <i>axis2</i> interchanged.
<code>take(indices[, axis, out, mode])</code>	Return an array formed from the elements of <i>a</i> at the given indices.
<code>tobytes([order])</code>	Construct Python bytes containing the raw data bytes in the array.
<code>tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Write array to a file as text or binary (default).
<code>tolist()</code>	Return the matrix as a (possibly nested) list.

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<code>tostring([order])</code>	A compatibility alias for <code>tobytes</code> , with exactly the same behavior.
<code>trace([offset, axis1, axis2, dtype, out])</code>	Return the sum along diagonals of the array.
<code>transpose(*axes)</code>	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.
<code>var([axis, dtype, out, ddof])</code>	Returns the variance of the matrix elements, along the given axis.
<code>view([dtype][, type])</code>	New view of array with the same data.

method

`matrix.all (axis=None, out=None)`

Test whether all matrix elements along a given axis evaluate to True.

#### Parameters

See ‘numpy.all’ for complete descriptions

See also:

`numpy.all`

#### Notes

This is the same as `ndarray.all`, but it returns a `matrix` object.

#### Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> y = x[0]; y
matrix([[0, 1, 2, 3]])
>>> (x == y)
matrix([[ True,  True,  True,  True],
       [False, False, False, False],
       [False, False, False, False]])
>>> (x == y).all()
False
>>> (x == y).all(0)
matrix([[False, False, False, False]])
>>> (x == y).all(1)
matrix([[ True],
       [False],
       [False]])
```

method

`matrix.any (axis=None, out=None)`

Test whether any array element along a given axis evaluates to True.

Refer to `numpy.any` for full documentation.

#### Parameters

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which logical OR is performed

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Output to existing array instead of creating new one, must have same shape as expected output

**Returns****any**

[bool, ndarray] Returns a single bool if *axis* is None; otherwise, returns *ndarray*

method

*matrix*.**argmax**(*axis=None*, *out=None*)

Indexes of the maximum values along an axis.

Return the indexes of the first occurrences of the maximum values along the specified axis. If axis is None, the index is for the flattened matrix.

**Parameters**

See ‘numpy.argmax’ for complete descriptions

See also:

[numpy.argmax](#)

**Notes**

This is the same as *ndarray.argmax*, but returns a *matrix* object where *ndarray.argmax* would return an *ndarray*.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.argmax()
11
>>> x.argmax(0)
matrix([[2, 2, 2, 2]])
>>> x.argmax(1)
matrix([[3],
       [3],
       [3]])
```

method

`matrix.argmin(axis=None, out=None)`

Indexes of the minimum values along an axis.

Return the indexes of the first occurrences of the minimum values along the specified axis. If axis is None, the index is for the flattened matrix.

### Parameters

See ‘[numpy.argmin](#)’ for complete descriptions.

See also:

[numpy.argmin](#)

### Notes

This is the same as `ndarray.argmin`, but returns a `matrix` object where `ndarray.argmin` would return an `ndarray`.

### Examples

```
>>> x = -np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3, 4))); x
matrix([[ 0, -1, -2, -3],
        [-4, -5, -6, -7],
        [-8, -9, -10, -11]])
>>> x.argmin()
11
>>> x.argmin(0)
matrix([[2, 2, 2, 2]])
>>> x.argmin(1)
matrix([[3],
        [3],
        [3]])
```

method

`matrix.argmax(kth, axis=-1, kind='introselect', order=None)`

Returns the indices that would partition this array.

Refer to [numpy.argpartition](#) for full documentation.

New in version 1.8.0.

See also:

[numpy.argpartition](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.argsort(axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Returns the indices that would sort this array.

Refer to [numpy.argsort](#) for full documentation.

See also:

**`numpy.argsort`**

equivalent function

method

`matrix.astype(dtype, order='K', casting='unsafe', subok=True, copy=True)`

Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.

### Parameters

#### `dtype`

[str or dtype] Typecode or data-type to which the array is cast.

#### `order`

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout order of the result. 'C' means C order, 'F' means Fortran order, 'A' means 'F' order if all the arrays are Fortran contiguous, 'C' order otherwise, and 'K' means as close to the order the array elements appear in memory as possible. Default is 'K'.

#### `casting`

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur. Defaults to 'unsafe' for backwards compatibility.

- 'no' means the data types should not be cast at all.
- 'equiv' means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- 'safe' means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- 'same\_kind' means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- 'unsafe' means any data conversions may be done.

#### `subok`

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through (default), otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array.

#### `copy`

[bool, optional] By default, astype always returns a newly allocated array. If this is set to false, and the `dtype`, `order`, and `subok` requirements are satisfied, the input array is returned instead of a copy.

### Returns

#### `arr_t`

[ndarray] Unless `copy` is False and the other conditions for returning the input array are satisfied (see description for `copy` input parameter), `arr_t` is a new array of the same shape as the input array, with `dtype`, `order` given by `dtype`, `order`.

### Raises

#### `ComplexWarning`

When casting from complex to float or int. To avoid this, one should use `a.real.astype(t)`.

## Notes

Changed in version 1.17.0: Casting between a simple data type and a structured one is possible only for “unsafe” casting. Casting to multiple fields is allowed, but casting from multiple fields is not.

Changed in version 1.9.0: Casting from numeric to string types in ‘safe’ casting mode requires that the string dtype length is long enough to store the max integer/float value converted.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 2.5])
>>> x
array([1., 2., 2.5])
```

```
>>> x.astype(int)
array([1, 2, 2])
```

method

`matrix.byteswap(inplace=False)`

Swap the bytes of the array elements

Toggle between low-endian and big-endian data representation by returning a byteswapped array, optionally swapped in-place. Arrays of byte-strings are not swapped. The real and imaginary parts of a complex number are swapped individually.

### Parameters

#### inplace

[bool, optional] If `True`, swap bytes in-place, default is `False`.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] The byteswapped array. If `inplace` is `True`, this is a view to self.

## Examples

```
>>> A = np.array([1, 256, 8755], dtype=np.int16)
>>> list(map(hex, A))
['0x1', '0x100', '0x2233']
>>> A.byteswap(inplace=True)
array([ 256,       1, 13090], dtype=int16)
>>> list(map(hex, A))
['0x100', '0x1', '0x3322']
```

Arrays of byte-strings are not swapped

```
>>> A = np.array([b'ceg', b'fac'])
>>> A.byteswap()
array([b'ceg', b'fac'], dtype='|S3')
```

**A.`newbyteorder()`.`byteswap()` produces an array with the same values**

but different representation in memory

```
>>> A = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> A.view(np.uint8)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
       0, 0], dtype=uint8)
>>> A.newbyteorder().byteswap(inplace=True)
array([1, 2, 3])
>>> A.view(np.uint8)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
       0, 3], dtype=uint8)
```

method

`matrix.choose` (*choices, out=None, mode='raise'*)

Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.

Refer to [numpy.choose](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.choose`](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.clip` (*min=None, max=None, out=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max]. One of max or min must be given.

Refer to [numpy.clip](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.clip`](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.compress` (*condition, axis=None, out=None*)

Return selected slices of this array along given axis.

Refer to [numpy.compress](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.compress`](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.conj` ()

Complex-conjugate all elements.

Refer to [numpy.conjugate](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.conjugate`](#)

equivalent function

method

[`matrix.conjugate\(\)`](#)

Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.

Refer to [`numpy.conjugate`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.conjugate`](#)

equivalent function

method

[`matrix.copy\(order='C'\)`](#)

Return a copy of the array.

### Parameters

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the copy. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible. (Note that this function and [`numpy.copy`](#) are very similar but have different default values for their order= arguments, and this function always passes sub-classes through.)

**See also:**

[`numpy.copy`](#)

Similar function with different default behavior

[`numpy.copyto`](#)

### Notes

This function is the preferred method for creating an array copy. The function [`numpy.copy`](#) is similar, but it defaults to using order 'K', and will not pass sub-classes through by default.

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6]], order='F')
```

```
>>> y = x.copy()
```

```
>>> x.fill(0)
```

```
>>> x
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> y.flags['C_CONTIGUOUS']
True
```

method

`matrix.cumprod(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the cumulative product of the elements along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.cumprod](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.cumprod](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.cumsum(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the cumulative sum of the elements along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.cumsum](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.cumsum](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.diagonal(offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1)`

Return specified diagonals. In NumPy 1.9 the returned array is a read-only view instead of a copy as in previous NumPy versions. In a future version the read-only restriction will be removed.

Refer to [numpy.diagonal](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.diagonal](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.dump(file)`

Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file. The array can be read back with `pickle.load` or `numpy.load`.

### Parameters

#### file

[str or Path] A string naming the dump file.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

method

```
matrix.dumps()
```

Returns the pickle of the array as a string. pickle.loads will convert the string back to an array.

#### Parameters

##### None

method

```
matrix.fill(value)
```

Fill the array with a scalar value.

#### Parameters

##### value

[scalar] All elements of  $a$  will be assigned this value.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2])
>>> a.fill(0)
>>> a
array([0, 0])
>>> a = np.empty(2)
>>> a.fill(1)
>>> a
array([1., 1.])
```

method

```
matrix.flatten(order='C')
```

Return a flattened copy of the matrix.

All  $N$  elements of the matrix are placed into a single row.

#### Parameters

##### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] 'C' means to flatten in row-major (C-style) order. 'F' means to flatten in column-major (Fortran-style) order. 'A' means to flatten in column-major order if  $m$  is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, row-major order otherwise. 'K' means to flatten  $m$  in the order the elements occur in memory. The default is 'C'.

#### Returns

##### y

[matrix] A copy of the matrix, flattened to a  $(1, N)$  matrix where  $N$  is the number of elements in the original matrix.

#### See also:

##### [ravel](#)

Return a flattened array.

**flat**

A 1-D flat iterator over the matrix.

**Examples**

```
>>> m = np.matrix([[1,2], [3,4]])
>>> m.flatten()
matrix([[1, 2, 3, 4]])
>>> m.flatten('F')
matrix([[1, 3, 2, 4]])
```

method

**matrix.getA()**

Return *self* as an *ndarray* object.

Equivalent to np.asarray(*self*).

**Parameters**

**None**

**Returns**

**ret**

[ndarray] *self* as an *ndarray*

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
        [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
        [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.getA()
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
```

method

**matrix.getA1()**

Return *self* as a flattened *ndarray*.

Equivalent to np.asarray(*x*).ravel()

**Parameters**

**None**

**Returns**

**ret**

[ndarray] *self*, 1-D, as an *ndarray*

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
        [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
        [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.getA1()
array([ 0,  1,  2, ...,  9, 10, 11])
```

method

**matrix.getH()**

Returns the (complex) conjugate transpose of *self*.

Equivalent to `np.transpose(self)` if *self* is real-valued.

### Parameters

**None**

### Returns

**ret**

[matrix object] complex conjugate transpose of *self*

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4)))
>>> z = x - 1j*x; z
matrix([[ 0. +0.j,   1. -1.j,   2. -2.j,   3. -3.j],
        [ 4. -4.j,   5. -5.j,   6. -6.j,   7. -7.j],
        [ 8. -8.j,   9. -9.j,  10.-10.j,  11.-11.j]])
>>> z.getH()
matrix([[ 0. -0.j,   4. +4.j,   8. +8.j],
        [ 1. +1.j,   5. +5.j,   9. +9.j],
        [ 2. +2.j,   6. +6.j,  10.+10.j],
        [ 3. +3.j,   7. +7.j,  11.+11.j]])
```

method

**matrix.getI()**

Returns the (multiplicative) inverse of invertible *self*.

### Parameters

**None**

### Returns

**ret**

[matrix object] If *self* is non-singular, *ret* is such that `ret * self == self * ret == np.matrix(np.eye(self[0,:].size))` all return True.

### Raises

**numpy.linalg.LinAlgError: Singular matrix**

If *self* is singular.

**See also:**

[\*linalg.inv\*](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> m = np.matrix('1, 2; 3, 4'); m
matrix([[1, 2],
        [3, 4]])
>>> m.getI()
matrix([[ -2.,  1. ],
        [ 1.5, -0.5]])
>>> m.getI() * m
matrix([[ 1.,  0.], # may vary
        [ 0.,  1.]])
```

method

**matrix.getT()**

Returns the transpose of the matrix.

Does *not* conjugate! For the complex conjugate transpose, use .H.

**Parameters**

**None**

**Returns**

**ret**

[matrix object] The (non-conjugated) transpose of the matrix.

**See also:**

[\*transpose, getH\*](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> m = np.matrix('1, 2; 3, 4')
>>> m
matrix([[1, 2],
        [3, 4]])
>>> m.getT()
matrix([[1, 3],
        [2, 4]])
```

method

`matrix.getfield(dtype, offset=0)`

Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.

A field is a view of the array data with a given data-type. The values in the view are determined by the given type and the offset into the current array in bytes. The offset needs to be such that the view dtype fits in the array dtype; for example an array of dtype complex128 has 16-byte elements. If taking a view with a 32-bit integer (4 bytes), the offset needs to be between 0 and 12 bytes.

#### Parameters

##### `dtype`

[str or dtype] The data type of the view. The dtype size of the view can not be larger than that of the array itself.

##### `offset`

[int] Number of bytes to skip before beginning the element view.

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.diag([1.+1.j]*2)
>>> x[1, 1] = 2 + 4.j
>>> x
array([[1.+1.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  2.+4.j]])
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  2.]])
```

By choosing an offset of 8 bytes we can select the complex part of the array for our view:

```
>>> x.getfield(np.float64, offset=8)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  4.]])
```

#### method

`matrix.item(*args)`

Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.

#### Parameters

##### `*args`

[Arguments (variable number and type)]

- none: in this case, the method only works for arrays with one element (`a.size == 1`), which element is copied into a standard Python scalar object and returned.
- int\_type: this argument is interpreted as a flat index into the array, specifying which element to copy and return.
- tuple of int\_types: functions as does a single int\_type argument, except that the argument is interpreted as an nd-index into the array.

#### Returns

**z**

[Standard Python scalar object] A copy of the specified element of the array as a suitable Python scalar

**Notes**

When the data type of  $a$  is longdouble or clongdouble, item() returns a scalar array object because there is no available Python scalar that would not lose information. Void arrays return a buffer object for item(), unless fields are defined, in which case a tuple is returned.

`item` is very similar to  $a[args]$ , except, instead of an array scalar, a standard Python scalar is returned. This can be useful for speeding up access to elements of the array and doing arithmetic on elements of the array using Python's optimized math.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.item(3)
1
>>> x.item(7)
0
>>> x.item((0, 1))
2
>>> x.item((2, 2))
1
```

method

`matrix.itemset(*args)`

Insert scalar into an array (scalar is cast to array's dtype, if possible)

There must be at least 1 argument, and define the last argument as *item*. Then,  $a.itemset(*args)$  is equivalent to but faster than  $a[args] = item$ . The item should be a scalar value and *args* must select a single item in the array  $a$ .

**Parameters****\*args**

[Arguments] If one argument: a scalar, only used in case  $a$  is of size 1. If two arguments: the last argument is the value to be set and must be a scalar, the first argument specifies a single array element location. It is either an int or a tuple.

## Notes

Compared to indexing syntax, `itemset` provides some speed increase for placing a scalar into a particular location in an `ndarray`, if you must do this. However, generally this is discouraged: among other problems, it complicates the appearance of the code. Also, when using `itemset` (and `item`) inside a loop, be sure to assign the methods to a local variable to avoid the attribute look-up at each loop iteration.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.itemset(4, 0)
>>> x.itemset((2, 2), 9)
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 0, 6],
       [1, 0, 9]])
```

method

`matrix.max(axis=None, out=None)`

Return the maximum value along an axis.

### Parameters

See ‘amax’ for complete descriptions

See also:

`amax, ndarray.max`

## Notes

This is the same as `ndarray.max`, but returns a `matrix` object where `ndarray.max` would return an `ndarray`.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.max()
11
>>> x.max(0)
matrix([[ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.max(1)
matrix([[ 3],
```

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```
[ 7],  
[11]])
```

method

`matrix.mean (axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Returns the average of the matrix elements along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.mean](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.mean](#)

## Notes

Same as [ndarray.mean](#) except that, where that returns an `ndarray`, this returns a `matrix` object.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3, 4)))
>>> x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
        [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
        [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.mean()
5.5
>>> x.mean(0)
matrix([[4.,  5.,  6.,  7.]])
>>> x.mean(1)
matrix([[ 1.5],
        [ 5.5],
        [ 9.5]])
```

method

`matrix.min (axis=None, out=None)`

Return the minimum value along an axis.

### Parameters

See ‘amin’ for complete descriptions.

**See also:**

[amin](#), [ndarray.min](#)

## Notes

This is the same as `ndarray.min`, but returns a `matrix` object where `ndarray.min` would return an ndarray.

## Examples

```
>>> x = -np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0, -1, -2, -3],
       [-4, -5, -6, -7],
       [-8, -9, -10, -11]])
>>> x.min()
-11
>>> x.min(0)
matrix([-8, -9, -10, -11])
>>> x.min(1)
matrix([[ -3],
       [ -7],
       [-11]])
```

method

`matrix.newbyteorder(new_order='S', /)`

Return the array with the same data viewed with a different byte order.

Equivalent to:

```
arr.view(arr.dtype.newbyteorder(new_order))
```

Changes are also made in all fields and sub-arrays of the array data type.

## Parameters

### `new_order`

[string, optional] Byte order to force; a value from the byte order specifications below.  
`new_order` codes can be any of:

- ‘S’ - swap dtype from current to opposite endian
- {‘<’, ‘little’} - little endian
- {‘>’, ‘big’} - big endian
- {‘=’, ‘native’} - native order, equivalent to `sys.byteorder`
- {‘|’, ‘T’} - ignore (no change to byte order)

The default value (‘S’) results in swapping the current byte order.

## Returns

### `new_arr`

[array] New array object with the dtype reflecting given change to the byte order.

method

```
matrix.nonzero()  
Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
```

Refer to [numpy.nonzero](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.nonzero](#)

equivalent function

method

```
matrix.partition(kth, axis=-1, kind='introselect', order=None)
```

Rearranges the elements in the array in such a way that the value of the element in kth position is in the position it would be in a sorted array. All elements smaller than the kth element are moved before this element and all equal or greater are moved behind it. The ordering of the elements in the two partitions is undefined.

New in version 1.8.0.

### Parameters

#### kth

[int or sequence of ints] Element index to partition by. The kth element value will be in its final sorted position and all smaller elements will be moved before it and all equal or greater elements behind it. The order of all elements in the partitions is undefined. If provided with a sequence of kth it will partition all elements indexed by kth of them into their sorted position at once.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0: Passing booleans as index is deprecated.

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. Default is -1, which means sort along the last axis.

#### kind

[{'introselect'}, optional] Selection algorithm. Default is 'introselect'.

#### order

[str or list of str, optional] When *a* is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need to be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

See also:

[numpy.partition](#)

Return a partitioned copy of an array.

[argpartition](#)

Indirect partition.

[sort](#)

Full sort.

## Notes

See `np.partition` for notes on the different algorithms.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([3, 4, 2, 1])
>>> a.partition(3)
>>> a
array([2, 1, 3, 4])
```

```
>>> a.partition((1, 3))
>>> a
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
```

method

`matrix.prod(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.

Refer to `prod` for full documentation.

See also:

`prod, ndarray.prod`

## Notes

Same as `ndarray.prod`, except, where that returns an `ndarray`, this returns a `matrix` object instead.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
        [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
        [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.prod()
0
>>> x.prod(0)
matrix([[ 0,  45, 120, 231]])
>>> x.prod(1)
matrix([[ 0],
        [ 840],
        [7920]])
```

method

`matrix.ptp(axis=None, out=None)`

Peak-to-peak (maximum - minimum) value along the given axis.

Refer to `numpy.ptp` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.ptp`

## Notes

Same as `ndarray.ptp`, except, where that would return an `ndarray` object, this returns a `matrix` object.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3, 4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.ptp()
11
>>> x.ptp(0)
matrix([[8, 8, 8, 8]])
>>> x.ptp(1)
matrix([[3,
         [3],
         [3]]])
```

method

`matrix.put(indices, values, mode='raise')`

Set `a.flat[n] = values[n]` for all `n` in `indices`.

Refer to `numpy.put` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.put`

equivalent function

method

`matrix.ravel(order='C')`

Return a flattened matrix.

Refer to `numpy.ravel` for more documentation.

### Parameters

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] The elements of `m` are read using this index order. 'C' means to index the elements in C-like order, with the last axis index changing fastest, back to the first axis index changing slowest. 'F' means to index the elements in Fortran-like index order, with the first index changing fastest, and the last index changing slowest. Note that the 'C' and 'F' options take no account of the memory layout of the underlying array, and only refer to the order of axis indexing. 'A' means to read the elements in Fortran-like index order if `m` is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, C-like order otherwise. 'K' means to read the elements in the order they occur in memory, except for reversing the data when strides are negative. By default, 'C' index order is used.

### Returns

**ret**

[matrix] Return the matrix flattened to shape  $(1, N)$  where  $N$  is the number of elements in the original matrix. A copy is made only if necessary.

**See also:**

[\*\*`matrix.flatten`\*\*](#)

returns a similar output matrix but always a copy

[\*\*`matrix.flat`\*\*](#)

a flat iterator on the array.

[\*\*`numpy.ravel`\*\*](#)

related function which returns an ndarray

**method**

[\*\*`matrix.repeat`\*\*](#) (*repeats*, *axis=None*)

Repeat elements of an array.

Refer to [`numpy.repeat`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[\*\*`numpy.repeat`\*\*](#)

equivalent function

**method**

[\*\*`matrix.reshape`\*\*](#) (*shape*, *order='C'*)

Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.

Refer to [`numpy.reshape`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[\*\*`numpy.reshape`\*\*](#)

equivalent function

## Notes

Unlike the free function [`numpy.reshape`](#), this method on [`ndarray`](#) allows the elements of the *shape* parameter to be passed in as separate arguments. For example, `a.reshape(10, 11)` is equivalent to `a.reshape((10, 11))`.

**method**

[\*\*`matrix.resize`\*\*](#) (*new\_shape*, *refcheck=True*)

Change shape and size of array in-place.

### Parameters

**`new_shape`**

[tuple of ints, or *n* ints] Shape of resized array.

**refcheck**

[bool, optional] If False, reference count will not be checked. Default is True.

**Returns****None****Raises****ValueError**

If *a* does not own its own data or references or views to it exist, and the data memory must be changed. PyPy only: will always raise if the data memory must be changed, since there is no reliable way to determine if references or views to it exist.

**SystemError**

If the *order* keyword argument is specified. This behaviour is a bug in NumPy.

**See also:****`resize`**

Return a new array with the specified shape.

**Notes**

This reallocates space for the data area if necessary.

Only contiguous arrays (data elements consecutive in memory) can be resized.

The purpose of the reference count check is to make sure you do not use this array as a buffer for another Python object and then reallocate the memory. However, reference counts can increase in other ways so if you are sure that you have not shared the memory for this array with another Python object, then you may safely set *refcheck* to False.

**Examples**

Shrinking an array: array is flattened (in the order that the data are stored in memory), resized, and reshaped:

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='C')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [1]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='F')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [2]])
```

Enlarging an array: as above, but missing entries are filled with zeros:

```
>>> b = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]])
>>> b.resize(2, 3) # new_shape parameter doesn't have to be a tuple
>>> b
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 0, 0]])
```

Referencing an array prevents resizing...

```
>>> c = a
>>> a.resize((1, 1))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot resize an array that references or is referenced ...
```

Unless `refcheck` is False:

```
>>> a.resize((1, 1), refcheck=False)
>>> a
array([[0]])
>>> c
array([[0]])
```

method

`matrix.round`(*decimals=0, out=None*)

Return *a* with each element rounded to the given number of decimals.

Refer to [numpy.around](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.around`](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.searchsorted`(*v, side='left', sorter=None*)

Find indices where elements of *v* should be inserted in *a* to maintain order.

For full documentation, see [numpy.searchsorted](#)

**See also:**

[`numpy.searchsorted`](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.setfield`(*val, dtype, offset=0*)

Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.

Place *val* into *a*'s field defined by *dtype* and beginning *offset* bytes into the field.

### Parameters

#### `val`

[object] Value to be placed in field.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Data-type of the field in which to place *val*.

**offset**

[int, optional] The number of bytes into the field at which to place *val*.

**Returns****None****See also:**

[getfield](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.eye(3)
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
>>> x.setfield(3, np.int32)
>>> x.getfield(np.int32)
array([[3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3]], dtype=int32)
>>> x
array([[1.0e+000, 1.5e-323, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.0e+000, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.5e-323, 1.0e+000]])
>>> x.setfield(np.eye(3), np.int32)
>>> x
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
```

**method**

`matrix.setflags (write=None, align=None, uic=None)`

Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.

These Boolean-valued flags affect how numpy interprets the memory area used by *a* (see Notes below). The ALIGNED flag can only be set to True if the data is actually aligned according to the type. The WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag can never be set to True. The flag WRITEABLE can only be set to True if the array owns its own memory, or the ultimate owner of the memory exposes a writeable buffer interface, or is a string. (The exception for string is made so that unpickling can be done without copying memory.)

**Parameters****write**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* can be written to.

**align**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is aligned properly for its type.

**uic**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is a copy of another “base” array.

**Notes**

Array flags provide information about how the memory area used for the array is to be interpreted. There are 7 Boolean flags in use, only four of which can be changed by the user: WRITEBACKIFCOPY, WRITEABLE, and ALIGNED.

WRITEABLE (W) the data area can be written to;

ALIGNED (A) the data and strides are aligned appropriately for the hardware (as determined by the compiler);

WRITEBACKIFCOPY (X) this array is a copy of some other array (referenced by .base). When the C-API function PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy is called, the base array will be updated with the contents of this array.

All flags can be accessed using the single (upper case) letter as well as the full name.

**Examples**

```
>>> y = np.array([[3, 1, 7],
...                 [2, 0, 0],
...                 [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y
array([[3, 1, 7],
       [2, 0, 0],
       [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : True
ALIGNED : True
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(write=0, align=0)
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : False
ALIGNED : False
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(uic=1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: cannot set WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag to True
```

method

`matrix.sort(axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Sort an array in-place. Refer to [numpy.sort](#) for full documentation.

**Parameters****axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. Default is -1, which means sort along the last axis.

#### kind

[{‘quicksort’, ‘mergesort’, ‘heapsort’, ‘stable’}, optional] Sorting algorithm. The default is ‘quicksort’. Note that both ‘stable’ and ‘mergesort’ use timsort under the covers and, in general, the actual implementation will vary with datatype. The ‘mergesort’ option is retained for backwards compatibility.

Changed in version 1.15.0: The ‘stable’ option was added.

#### order

[str or list of str, optional] When  $a$  is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

#### See also:

##### [numpy.sort](#)

Return a sorted copy of an array.

##### [numpy.argsort](#)

Indirect sort.

##### [numpy.lexsort](#)

Indirect stable sort on multiple keys.

##### [numpy.searchsorted](#)

Find elements in sorted array.

##### [numpy.partition](#)

Partial sort.

#### Notes

See [numpy.sort](#) for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

#### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 4], [3, 1]])
>>> a.sort(axis=1)
>>> a
array([[1, 4],
       [1, 3]])
>>> a.sort(axis=0)
>>> a
array([[1, 3],
       [1, 4]])
```

Use the *order* keyword to specify a field to use when sorting a structured array:

```
>>> a = np.array([('a', 2), ('c', 1)], dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', int)])
>>> a.sort(order='y')
>>> a
array([(b'c', 1), (b'a', 2)],
      dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', '<i8')])
```

method

`matrix.squeeze(axis=None)`

Return a possibly reshaped matrix.

Refer to [numpy.squeeze](#) for more documentation.

### Parameters

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Selects a subset of the axes of length one in the shape.  
If an axis is selected with shape entry greater than one, an error is raised.

### Returns

#### squeezed

[matrix] The matrix, but as a (1, N) matrix if it had shape (N, 1).

See also:

[numpy.squeeze](#)

related function

### Notes

If  $m$  has a single column then that column is returned as the single row of a matrix. Otherwise  $m$  is returned. The returned matrix is always either  $m$  itself or a view into  $m$ . Supplying an axis keyword argument will not affect the returned matrix but it may cause an error to be raised.

### Examples

```
>>> c = np.matrix([[1], [2]])
>>> c
matrix([[1],
        [2]])
>>> c.squeeze()
matrix([[1, 2]])
>>> r = c.T
>>> r
matrix([[1, 2]])
>>> r.squeeze()
matrix([[1, 2]])
>>> m = np.matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> m.squeeze()
matrix([[1, 2],
        [3, 4]])
```

method

`matrix.std(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0)`

Return the standard deviation of the array elements along the given axis.

Refer to [`numpy.std`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.std`](#)

## Notes

This is the same as [`ndarray.std`](#), except that where an `ndarray` would be returned, a `matrix` object is returned instead.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3, 4)))
>>> x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.std()
3.4520525295346629 # may vary
>>> x.std(0)
matrix([[ 3.26598632,  3.26598632,  3.26598632,  3.26598632]]) # may vary
>>> x.std(1)
matrix([[ 1.11803399],
       [ 1.11803399],
       [ 1.11803399]])
```

method

`matrix.sum(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Returns the sum of the matrix elements, along the given axis.

Refer to [`numpy.sum`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.sum`](#)

## Notes

This is the same as [`ndarray.sum`](#), except that where an `ndarray` would be returned, a `matrix` object is returned instead.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix([[1, 2], [4, 3]])
>>> x.sum()
10
>>> x.sum(axis=1)
matrix([[3,
         7]])
>>> x.sum(axis=1, dtype='float')
matrix([[3.],
        [7.]])
>>> out = np.zeros((2, 1), dtype='float')
>>> x.sum(axis=1, dtype='float', out=np.asmatrix(out))
matrix([[3.],
        [7.]])
```

method

`matrix.swapaxes (axis1, axis2)`

Return a view of the array with *axis1* and *axis2* interchanged.

Refer to [numpy.swapaxes](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.swapaxes`](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.take (indices, axis=None, out=None, mode='raise')`

Return an array formed from the elements of *a* at the given indices.

Refer to [numpy.take](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.take`](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.tobytes (order='C')`

Construct Python bytes containing the raw data bytes in the array.

Constructs Python bytes showing a copy of the raw contents of data memory. The bytes object is produced in C-order by default. This behavior is controlled by the `order` parameter.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Parameters

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A'}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the bytes object. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' (short for *Any*) means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. Default is 'C'.

## Returns

**s**

[bytes] Python bytes exhibiting a copy of *a*'s raw data.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], dtype='<u2')
>>> x.tobytes()
b'\x00\x00\x01\x00\x02\x00\x03\x00'
>>> x.tobytes('C') == x.tobytes()
True
>>> x.tobytes('F')
b'\x00\x00\x02\x00\x01\x00\x03\x00'
```

method

`matrix.tofile(fid, sep=",", format='%s')`

Write array to a file as text or binary (default).

Data is always written in ‘C’ order, independent of the order of *a*. The data produced by this method can be recovered using the function `fromfile()`.

## Parameters

**fid**

[file or str or Path] An open file object, or a string containing a filename.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

**sep**

[str] Separator between array items for text output. If “” (empty), a binary file is written, equivalent to `file.write(a.tobytes())`.

**format**

[str] Format string for text file output. Each entry in the array is formatted to text by first converting it to the closest Python type, and then using “format” % item.

## Notes

This is a convenience function for quick storage of array data. Information on endianness and precision is lost, so this method is not a good choice for files intended to archive data or transport data between machines with different endianness. Some of these problems can be overcome by outputting the data as text files, at the expense of speed and file size.

When *fid* is a file object, array contents are directly written to the file, bypassing the file object's `write` method. As a result, `tofile` cannot be used with files objects supporting compression (e.g., `GzipFile`) or file-like objects that do not support `fileno()` (e.g., `BytesIO`).

method

`matrix.tolist()`  
Return the matrix as a (possibly nested) list.

See [ndarray.tolist](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[ndarray.tolist](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3,4))); x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
        [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
        [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.tolist()
[[0, 1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6, 7], [8, 9, 10, 11]]
```

method

`matrix.tostring(order='C')`

A compatibility alias for [tobytes](#), with exactly the same behavior.

Despite its name, it returns *bytes* not *strs*.

Deprecated since version 1.19.0.

method

`matrix.trace(offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the sum along diagonals of the array.

Refer to [numpy.trace](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.trace](#)

equivalent function

method

`matrix.transpose(*axes)`

Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.

For a 1-D array this has no effect, as a transposed vector is simply the same vector. To convert a 1-D array into a 2D column vector, an additional dimension must be added. `np.atleast2d(a).T` achieves this, as does `a[:, np.newaxis]`. For a 2-D array, this is a standard matrix transpose. For an n-D array, if axes are given, their order indicates how the axes are permuted (see Examples). If axes are not provided and `a.shape = (i[0], i[1], ... i[n-2], i[n-1])`, then `a.transpose().shape = (i[n-1], i[n-2], ... i[1], i[0])`.

### Parameters

#### axes

[None, tuple of ints, or *n* ints]

- None or no argument: reverses the order of the axes.

- tuple of ints:  $i$  in the  $j$ -th place in the tuple means  $a$ 's  $i$ -th axis becomes  $a.transpose()$ 's  $j$ -th axis.
- $n$  ints: same as an  $n$ -tuple of the same ints (this form is intended simply as a “convenience” alternative to the tuple form)

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] View of  $a$ , with axes suitably permuted.

**See also:**

**[transpose](#)**

Equivalent function

**[ndarray.T](#)**

Array property returning the array transposed.

**[ndarray.reshape](#)**

Give a new shape to an array without changing its data.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> a
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
>>> a.transpose()
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose((1, 0))
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose(1, 0)
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
```

method

**[matrix.var](#) ( $axis=None$ ,  $dtype=None$ ,  $out=None$ ,  $ddof=0$ )**

Returns the variance of the matrix elements, along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.var](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

**[numpy.var](#)**

## Notes

This is the same as `ndarray.var`, except that where an `ndarray` would be returned, a `matrix` object is returned instead.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.matrix(np.arange(12).reshape((3, 4)))
>>> x
matrix([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
        [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
        [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> x.var()
11.91666666666666
>>> x.var(0)
matrix([[ 10.66666667,  10.66666667,  10.66666667,  10.66666667]]) # may vary
>>> x.var(1)
matrix([[1.25],
        [1.25],
        [1.25]])
```

method

`matrix.view([dtype][, type])`

New view of array with the same data.

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**Note:** Passing `None` for `dtype` is different from omitting the parameter, since the former invokes `dtype(None)` which is an alias for `dtype('float_')`.

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## Parameters

### `dtype`

[data-type or ndarray sub-class, optional] Data-type descriptor of the returned view, e.g., `float32` or `int16`. Omitting it results in the view having the same data-type as `a`. This argument can also be specified as an ndarray sub-class, which then specifies the type of the returned object (this is equivalent to setting the `type` parameter).

### `type`

[Python type, optional] Type of the returned view, e.g., `ndarray` or `matrix`. Again, omission of the parameter results in type preservation.

## Notes

`a.view()` is used two different ways:

`a.view(some_dtype)` or `a.view(dtype=some_dtype)` constructs a view of the array's memory with a different data-type. This can cause a reinterpretation of the bytes of memory.

`a.view(ndarray_subclass)` or `a.view(type=ndarray_subclass)` just returns an instance of `ndarray_subclass` that looks at the same array (same shape, `dtype`, etc.) This does not cause a reinterpretation of the memory.

For `a.view(some_dtype)`, if `some_dtype` has a different number of bytes per entry than the previous `dtype` (for example, converting a regular array to a structured array), then the last axis of `a` must be contiguous. This axis will be resized in the result.

Changed in version 1.23.0: Only the last axis needs to be contiguous. Previously, the entire array had to be C-contiguous.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
```

Viewing array data using a different type and `dtype`:

```
>>> y = x.view(dtype=np.int16, type=np.matrix)
>>> y
matrix([[513]], dtype=int16)
>>> print(type(y))
<class 'numpy.matrix'>
```

Creating a view on a structured array so it can be used in calculations

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
>>> xv = x.view(dtype=np.int8).reshape(-1, 2)
>>> xv
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]], dtype=int8)
>>> xv.mean(0)
array([2., 3.])
```

Making changes to the view changes the underlying array

```
>>> xv[0, 1] = 20
>>> x
array([(1, 20), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', 'i1'), ('b', 'i1')])
```

Using a view to convert an array to a recarray:

```
>>> z = x.view(np.recarray)
>>> z.a
array([1, 3], dtype=int8)
```

Views share data:

```
>>> x[0] = (9, 10)
>>> z[0]
(9, 10)
```

Views that change the `dtype` size (bytes per entry) should normally be avoided on arrays defined by slices, transposes, fortran-ordering, etc.:

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], dtype=np.int16)
>>> y = x[:, ::2]
>>> y
array([[1, 3],
       [4, 6]], dtype=int16)
>>> y.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
```

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```

Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: To change to a dtype of a different size, the last axis must be contiguous
>>> z = y.copy()
>>> z.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
array([(1, 3),
       (4, 6)], dtype=[('width', '<i2'), ('length', '<i2')])

```

However, views that change dtype are totally fine for arrays with a contiguous last axis, even if the rest of the axes are not C-contiguous:

```

>>> x = np.arange(2 * 3 * 4, dtype=np.int8).reshape(2, 3, 4)
>>> x.transpose(1, 0, 2).view(np.int16)
array([[ [256, 770],
         [3340, 3854]],

        [[1284, 1798],
         [4368, 4882]],

        [[2312, 2826],
         [5396, 5910]]], dtype=int16)

```

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`numpy.asmatrix(data, dtype=None)`

Interpret the input as a matrix.

Unlike `matrix`, `asmatrix` does not make a copy if the input is already a matrix or an ndarray. Equivalent to `matrix(data, copy=False)`.

### Parameters

#### **data**

[array\_like] Input data.

#### **dtype**

[data-type] Data-type of the output matrix.

### Returns

#### **mat**

[matrix] *data* interpreted as a matrix.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
```

```
>>> m = np.asmatrix(x)
```

```
>>> x[0,0] = 5
```

```
>>> m
matrix([[5, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

`numpy.bmat` (*obj*, *ldict=None*, *gdict=None*)

Build a matrix object from a string, nested sequence, or array.

### Parameters

#### **obj**

[str or array\_like] Input data. If a string, variables in the current scope may be referenced by name.

#### **ldict**

[dict, optional] A dictionary that replaces local operands in current frame. Ignored if *obj* is not a string or *gdict* is None.

#### **gdict**

[dict, optional] A dictionary that replaces global operands in current frame. Ignored if *obj* is not a string.

### Returns

#### **out**

[matrix] Returns a matrix object, which is a specialized 2-D array.

### See also:

#### **block**

A generalization of this function for N-d arrays, that returns normal ndarrays.

## Examples

```
>>> A = np.mat('1 1; 1 1')
>>> B = np.mat('2 2; 2 2')
>>> C = np.mat('3 4; 5 6')
>>> D = np.mat('7 8; 9 0')
```

All the following expressions construct the same block matrix:

```
>>> np.bmat([[A, B], [C, D]])
matrix([[1, 1, 2, 2],
       [1, 1, 2, 2],
       [3, 4, 7, 8],
       [5, 6, 9, 0]])
>>> np.bmat(np.r_[np.c_[A, B], np.c_[C, D]])
matrix([[1, 1, 2, 2],
       [1, 1, 2, 2],
       [3, 4, 7, 8],
       [5, 6, 9, 0]])
>>> np.bmat('A,B; C,D')
matrix([[1, 1, 2, 2],
       [1, 1, 2, 2],
       [3, 4, 7, 8],
       [5, 6, 9, 0]])
```

Example 1: Matrix creation from a string

```
>>> a = np.mat('1 2 3; 4 5 3')
>>> print((a*a.T).I)
[[ 0.29239766 -0.13450292]
 [-0.13450292  0.08187135]]
```

Example 2: Matrix creation from nested sequence

```
>>> np.mat([[1,5,10],[1.0,3,4j]])
matrix([[ 1.+0.j,   5.+0.j,  10.+0.j],
       [ 1.+0.j,   3.+0.j,  0.+4.j]])
```

Example 3: Matrix creation from an array

```
>>> np.mat(np.random.rand(3,3)).T
matrix([[4.17022005e-01, 3.02332573e-01, 1.86260211e-01],
       [7.20324493e-01, 1.46755891e-01, 3.45560727e-01],
       [1.14374817e-04, 9.23385948e-02, 3.96767474e-01]])
```

### 1.6.3 Memory-mapped file arrays

Memory-mapped files are useful for reading and/or modifying small segments of a large file with regular layout, without reading the entire file into memory. A simple subclass of the ndarray uses a memory-mapped file for the data buffer of the array. For small files, the over-head of reading the entire file into memory is typically not significant, however for large files using memory mapping can save considerable resources.

Memory-mapped-file arrays have one additional method (besides those they inherit from the ndarray): `.flush()` which must be called manually by the user to ensure that any changes to the array actually get written to disk.

<code>memmap(filename[, dtype, mode, offset, ...])</code>	Create a memory-map to an array stored in a <i>binary</i> file on disk.
<code>memmap.flush()</code>	Write any changes in the array to the file on disk.

**class** `numpy.memmap(filename, dtype=<class 'numpy.ubyte'>, mode='r+', offset=0, shape=None, order='C')`

Create a memory-map to an array stored in a *binary* file on disk.

Memory-mapped files are used for accessing small segments of large files on disk, without reading the entire file into memory. NumPy's memmap's are array-like objects. This differs from Python's mmap module, which uses

file-like objects.

This subclass of ndarray has some unpleasant interactions with some operations, because it doesn't quite fit properly as a subclass. An alternative to using this subclass is to create the `mmap` object yourself, then create an ndarray with `ndarray.__new__` directly, passing the object created in its ‘`buffer=`’ parameter.

This class may at some point be turned into a factory function which returns a view into an mmap buffer.

Flush the memmap instance to write the changes to the file. Currently there is no API to close the underlying `mmap`. It is tricky to ensure the resource is actually closed, since it may be shared between different memmap instances.

## Parameters

### `filename`

[str, file-like object, or `pathlib.Path` instance] The file name or file object to be used as the array data buffer.

### `dtype`

[data-type, optional] The data-type used to interpret the file contents. Default is `uint8`.

### `mode`

[{‘r+’, ‘r’, ‘w+’, ‘c’}, optional] The file is opened in this mode:

‘r’	Open existing file for reading only.
‘r+’	Open existing file for reading and writing.
‘w+’	Create or overwrite existing file for reading and writing.
‘c’	Copy-on-write: assignments affect data in memory, but changes are not saved to disk. The file on disk is read-only.

Default is ‘r+’.

### `offset`

[int, optional] In the file, array data starts at this offset. Since `offset` is measured in bytes, it should normally be a multiple of the byte-size of `dtype`. When `mode != 'r'`, even positive offsets beyond end of file are valid; The file will be extended to accommodate the additional data. By default, `memmap` will start at the beginning of the file, even if `filename` is a file pointer `fp` and `fp.tell() != 0`.

### `shape`

[tuple, optional] The desired shape of the array. If `mode == 'r'` and the number of remaining bytes after `offset` is not a multiple of the byte-size of `dtype`, you must specify `shape`. By default, the returned array will be 1-D with the number of elements determined by file size and data-type.

### `order`

[{‘C’, ‘F’}, optional] Specify the order of the ndarray memory layout: row-major, C-style or column-major, Fortran-style. This only has an effect if the shape is greater than 1-D. The default order is ‘C’.

## See also:

### `lib.format.open_memmap`

Create or load a memory-mapped .npy file.

## Notes

The memmap object can be used anywhere an ndarray is accepted. Given a memmap fp, `isinstance(fp, numpy.ndarray)` returns True.

Memory-mapped files cannot be larger than 2GB on 32-bit systems.

When a memmap causes a file to be created or extended beyond its current size in the filesystem, the contents of the new part are unspecified. On systems with POSIX filesystem semantics, the extended part will be filled with zero bytes.

## Examples

```
>>> data = np.arange(12, dtype='float32')
>>> data.resize((3,4))
```

This example uses a temporary file so that doctest doesn't write files to your directory. You would use a 'normal' filename.

```
>>> from tempfile import mkdtemp
>>> import os.path as path
>>> filename = path.join(mkdtemp(), 'newfile.dat')
```

Create a memmap with dtype and shape that matches our data:

```
>>> fp = np.memmap(filename, dtype='float32', mode='w+', shape=(3,4))
>>> fp
memmap([[0., 0., 0., 0.],
        [0., 0., 0., 0.],
        [0., 0., 0., 0.]], dtype=float32)
```

Write data to memmap array:

```
>>> fp[:] = data[:]
>>> fp
memmap([[ 0.,   1.,   2.,   3.],
        [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.],
        [ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.]], dtype=float32)
```

```
>>> fp.filename == path.abspath(filename)
True
```

Flushes memory changes to disk in order to read them back

```
>>> fp.flush()
```

Load the memmap and verify data was stored:

```
>>> newfp = np.memmap(filename, dtype='float32', mode='r', shape=(3,4))
>>> newfp
memmap([[ 0.,   1.,   2.,   3.],
        [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.],
        [ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.]], dtype=float32)
```

Read-only memmap:

```
>>> fpr = np.memmap(filename, dtype='float32', mode='r', shape=(3,4))
>>> fpr.flags.writeable
False
```

Copy-on-write memmap:

```
>>> fpc = np.memmap(filename, dtype='float32', mode='c', shape=(3,4))
>>> fpc.flags.writeable
True
```

It's possible to assign to copy-on-write array, but values are only written into the memory copy of the array, and not written to disk:

```
>>> fpc
memmap([[ 0.,   1.,   2.,   3.],
        [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.],
        [ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.]], dtype=float32)
>>> fpc[0,:] = 0
>>> fpc
memmap([[ 0.,   0.,   0.,   0.],
        [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.],
        [ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.]], dtype=float32)
```

File on disk is unchanged:

```
>>> fpr
memmap([[ 0.,   1.,   2.,   3.],
        [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.],
        [ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.]], dtype=float32)
```

Offset into a memmap:

```
>>> fpo = np.memmap(filename, dtype='float32', mode='r', offset=16)
>>> fpo
memmap([ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.,   8.,   9.,  10.,  11.], dtype=float32)
```

## Attributes

### **filename**

[str or pathlib.Path instance] Path to the mapped file.

### **offset**

[int] Offset position in the file.

### **mode**

[str] File mode.

## Methods

<code>flush()</code>	Write any changes in the array to the file on disk.
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method

`memmap.flush()`

Write any changes in the array to the file on disk.

For further information, see [memmap](#).

### Parameters

**None**

**See also:**

[memmap](#)

Example:

```
>>> a = np.memmap('newfile.dat', dtype=float, mode='w+', shape=1000)
>>> a[10] = 10.0
>>> a[30] = 30.0
>>> del a
>>> b = np.fromfile('newfile.dat', dtype=float)
>>> print(b[10], b[30])
10.0 30.0
>>> a = np.memmap('newfile.dat', dtype=float)
>>> print(a[10], a[30])
10.0 30.0
```

## 1.6.4 Character arrays (`numpy.char`)

**See also:**

[Creating character arrays \(numpy.char\)](#)

**Note:** The `chararray` class exists for backwards compatibility with Numarray, it is not recommended for new development. Starting from numpy 1.4, if one needs arrays of strings, it is recommended to use arrays of `dtype object_, bytes_` or `str_`, and use the free functions in the `numpy.char` module for fast vectorized string operations.

These are enhanced arrays of either `str_` type or `bytes_` type. These arrays inherit from the `ndarray`, but specially-define the operations `+`, `*`, and `%` on a (broadcasting) element-by-element basis. These operations are not available on the standard `ndarray` of character type. In addition, the `chararray` has all of the standard `str` (and `bytes`) methods, executing them on an element-by-element basis. Perhaps the easiest way to create a chararray is to use `self.view(chararray)` where `self` is an ndarray of str or unicode data-type. However, a chararray can also be created using the `numpy.chararray` constructor, or via the `numpy.char.array` function:

<code>chararray(shape[, itemsize, unicode, ...])</code>	Provides a convenient view on arrays of string and unicode values.
<code>core.defchararray.array(obj[, itemsize, ...])</code>	Create a <code>chararray</code> .

---

**class** `numpy.chararray`(*shape*, *itemsize*=1, *unicode*=False, *buffer*=None, *offset*=0, *strides*=None, *order*=None)

Provides a convenient view on arrays of string and unicode values.

---

**Note:** The `chararray` class exists for backwards compatibility with Numarray, it is not recommended for new development. Starting from numpy 1.4, if one needs arrays of strings, it is recommended to use arrays of `dtype object`, `string` or `unicode`, and use the free functions in the `numpy.char` module for fast vectorized string operations.

Versus a regular NumPy array of type `str` or `unicode`, this class adds the following functionality:

- 1) values automatically have whitespace removed from the end when indexed
- 2) comparison operators automatically remove whitespace from the end when comparing values
- 3) vectorized string operations are provided as methods (e.g. `endswith`) and infix operators (e.g. `"+"`, `"*"`, `"%"`)

chararrays should be created using `numpy.char.array` or `numpy.char.asarray`, rather than this constructor directly.

This constructor creates the array, using `buffer` (with `offset` and `strides`) if it is not `None`. If `buffer` is `None`, then constructs a new array with `strides` in “C order”, unless both `len(shape) >= 2` and `order='F'`, in which case `strides` is in “Fortran order”.

## Parameters

### `shape`

[tuple] Shape of the array.

### `itemsize`

[int, optional] Length of each array element, in number of characters. Default is 1.

### `unicode`

[bool, optional] Are the array elements of type unicode (True) or string (False). Default is False.

### `buffer`

[object exposing the buffer interface or str, optional] Memory address of the start of the array data. Default is `None`, in which case a new array is created.

### `offset`

[int, optional] Fixed stride displacement from the beginning of an axis? Default is 0. Needs to be  $\geq 0$ .

### `strides`

[array\_like of ints, optional] Strides for the array (see `ndarray.strides` for full description). Default is `None`.

### `order`

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] The order in which the array data is stored in memory: ‘C’ -> “row major” order (the default), ‘F’ -> “column major” (Fortran) order.

## Examples

```
>>> charar = np.chararray((3, 3))
>>> charar[:] = 'a'
>>> charar
chararray([[b'a', b'a', b'a'],
           [b'a', b'a', b'a'],
           [b'a', b'a', b'a']], dtype='|S1')
```

```
>>> charar = np.chararray(charar.shape, itemsize=5)
>>> charar[:] = 'abc'
>>> charar
chararray([[b'abc', b'abc', b'abc'],
           [b'abc', b'abc', b'abc'],
           [b'abc', b'abc', b'abc']], dtype='|S5')
```

## Attributes

### T

The transposed array.

### base

Base object if memory is from some other object.

### ctypes

An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the ctypes module.

### data

Python buffer object pointing to the start of the array's data.

### dtype

Data-type of the array's elements.

### flags

Information about the memory layout of the array.

### flat

A 1-D iterator over the array.

### imag

The imaginary part of the array.

### itemsize

Length of one array element in bytes.

### nbytes

Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.

### ndim

Number of array dimensions.

### real

The real part of the array.

**`shape`**

Tuple of array dimensions.

**`size`**

Number of elements in the array.

**`strides`**

Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.

**Methods**

<code>astype(dtype[, order, casting, subok, copy])</code>	Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.
<code>argsort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would sort this array.
<code>copy([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array.
<code>count(sub[, start, end])</code>	Returns an array with the number of non-overlapping occurrences of substring <code>sub</code> in the range <code>[start, end]</code> .
<code>decode([encoding, errors])</code>	Calls <code>str.decode</code> element-wise.
<code>dump(file)</code>	Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file.
<code>dumps()</code>	Returns the pickle of the array as a string.
<code>encode([encoding, errors])</code>	Calls <code>str.encode</code> element-wise.
<code>endswith(suffix[, start, end])</code>	Returns a boolean array which is <code>True</code> where the string element in <code>self</code> ends with <code>suffix</code> , otherwise <code>False</code> .
<code>expandtabs([tabsize])</code>	Return a copy of each string element where all tab characters are replaced by one or more spaces.
<code>fill(value)</code>	Fill the array with a scalar value.
<code>find(sub[, start, end])</code>	For each element, return the lowest index in the string where substring <code>sub</code> is found.
<code>flatten([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.
<code>getfield(dtype[, offset])</code>	Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.
<code>index(sub[, start, end])</code>	Like <code>find</code> , but raises <code>ValueError</code> when the substring is not found.
<code>isalnum()</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphanumeric and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isalpha()</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphabetic and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isdecimal()</code>	For each element in <code>self</code> , return True if there are only decimal characters in the element.
<code>isdigit()</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are digits and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>islower()</code>	Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are lowercase and there is at least one cased character, false otherwise.
<code>isnumeric()</code>	For each element in <code>self</code> , return True if there are only numeric characters in the element.

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<code>isspace()</code>	Returns true for each element if there are only whitespace characters in the string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>istitle()</code>	Returns true for each element if the element is a title-cased string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isupper()</code>	Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are uppercase and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>item(*args)</code>	Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.
<code>join(seq)</code>	Return a string which is the concatenation of the strings in the sequence <i>seq</i> .
<code>ljust(width[, fillchar])</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>self</i> left-justified in a string of length <i>width</i> .
<code>lower()</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>self</i> converted to lowercase.
<code>lstrip([chars])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy with the leading characters removed.
<code>nonzero()</code>	Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
<code>put(indices, values[, mode])</code>	Set <code>a.flat[n] = values[n]</code> for all <i>n</i> in <i>indices</i> .
<code>ravel([order])</code>	Return a flattened array.
<code>repeat(repeats[, axis])</code>	Repeat elements of an array.
<code>replace(old, new[, count])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy of the string with all occurrences of substring <i>old</i> replaced by <i>new</i> .
<code>reshape(shape[, order])</code>	Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.
<code>resize(new_shape[, refcheck])</code>	Change shape and size of array in-place.
<code>rfind(sub[, start, end])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return the highest index in the string where substring <i>sub</i> is found, such that <i>sub</i> is contained within <i>[start, end]</i> .
<code>rindex(sub[, start, end])</code>	Like <code>rfind</code> , but raises <i>ValueError</i> when the substring <i>sub</i> is not found.
<code>rjust(width[, fillchar])</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>self</i> right-justified in a string of length <i>width</i> .
<code>rsplit([sep, maxsplit])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a list of the words in the string, using <i>sep</i> as the delimiter string.
<code>rstrip([chars])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy with the trailing characters removed.
<code>searchsorted(v[, side, sorter])</code>	Find indices where elements of <i>v</i> should be inserted in <i>a</i> to maintain order.
<code>setfield(val, dtype[, offset])</code>	Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.
<code>setflags([write, align, uic])</code>	Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.
<code>sort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Sort an array in-place.
<code>split([sep, maxsplit])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a list of the words in the string, using <i>sep</i> as the delimiter string.
<code>splitlines([keepends])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a list of the lines in the element, breaking at line boundaries.

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<code>squeeze([axis])</code>	Remove axes of length one from <i>a</i> .
<code>startswith(prefix[, start, end])</code>	Returns a boolean array which is <i>True</i> where the string element in <i>self</i> starts with <i>prefix</i> , otherwise <i>False</i> .
<code>strip([chars])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy with the leading and trailing characters removed.
<code>swapaxes(axis1, axis2)</code>	Return a view of the array with <i>axis1</i> and <i>axis2</i> interchanged.
<code>swapcase()</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy of the string with uppercase characters converted to lowercase and vice versa.
<code>take(indices[, axis, out, mode])</code>	Return an array formed from the elements of <i>a</i> at the given indices.
<code>title()</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a titlecased version of the string: words start with uppercase characters, all remaining cased characters are lowercase.
<code>tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Write array to a file as text or binary (default).
<code>tolist()</code>	Return the array as an <i>a</i> .ndim-levels deep nested list of Python scalars.
<code>toString([order])</code>	A compatibility alias for <code>tobytes</code> , with exactly the same behavior.
<code>translate(table[, deletechars])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy of the string where all characters occurring in the optional argument <i>deletechars</i> are removed, and the remaining characters have been mapped through the given translation table.
<code>transpose(*axes)</code>	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.
<code>upper()</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>self</i> converted to uppercase.
<code>view([dtype][, type])</code>	New view of array with the same data.
<code>zfill(width)</code>	Return the numeric string left-filled with zeros in a string of length <i>width</i> .

method

`chararray.astype(dtype, order='K', casting='unsafe', subok=True, copy=True)`

Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.

#### Parameters

##### `dtype`

[str or dtype] Typecode or data-type to which the array is cast.

##### `order`

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout order of the result. 'C' means C order, 'F' means Fortran order, 'A' means 'F' order if all the arrays are Fortran contiguous, 'C' order otherwise, and 'K' means as close to the order the array elements appear in memory as possible. Default is 'K'.

##### `casting`

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur. Defaults to 'unsafe' for backwards compatibility.

- 'no' means the data types should not be cast at all.

- ‘equiv’ means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- ‘safe’ means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- ‘same\_kind’ means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- ‘unsafe’ means any data conversions may be done.

**subok**

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through (default), otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array.

**copy**

[bool, optional] By default, astype always returns a newly allocated array. If this is set to false, and the *dtype*, *order*, and *subok* requirements are satisfied, the input array is returned instead of a copy.

**Returns****arr\_t**

[ndarray] Unless *copy* is False and the other conditions for returning the input array are satisfied (see description for *copy* input parameter), *arr\_t* is a new array of the same shape as the input array, with *dtype*, *order* given by *dtype*, *order*.

**Raises****ComplexWarning**

When casting from complex to float or int. To avoid this, one should use `a.real.astype(t)`.

**Notes**

Changed in version 1.17.0: Casting between a simple data type and a structured one is possible only for “unsafe” casting. Casting to multiple fields is allowed, but casting from multiple fields is not.

Changed in version 1.9.0: Casting from numeric to string types in ‘safe’ casting mode requires that the string dtype length is long enough to store the max integer/float value converted.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 2.5])
>>> x
array([1., 2., 2.5])
```

```
>>> x.astype(int)
array([1, 2, 2])
```

**method**

`chararray.argsort (axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Returns the indices that would sort this array.

Refer to `numpy.argsort` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.argsort`**

equivalent function

method

`chararray.copy(order='C')`

Return a copy of the array.

**Parameters****order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the copy. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible. (Note that this function and `numpy.copy` are very similar but have different default values for their order= arguments, and this function always passes sub-classes through.)

**See also:**

`numpy.copy`

Similar function with different default behavior

`numpy.copyto`

**Notes**

This function is the preferred method for creating an array copy. The function `numpy.copy` is similar, but it defaults to using order 'K', and will not pass sub-classes through by default.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='F')
```

```
>>> y = x.copy()
```

```
>>> x.fill(0)
```

```
>>> x
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> y.flags['C_CONTIGUOUS']
True
```

method

`chararray.count (sub, start=0, end=None)`

Returns an array with the number of non-overlapping occurrences of substring `sub` in the range `[start, end]`.

**See also:**

`char.count`

method

`chararray.decode (encoding=None, errors=None)`

Calls `str.decode` element-wise.

**See also:**

`char.decode`

method

`chararray.dump (file)`

Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file. The array can be read back with `pickle.load` or `numpy.load`.

#### Parameters

`file`

[str or Path] A string naming the dump file.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

method

`chararray.dumps ()`

Returns the pickle of the array as a string. `pickle.loads` will convert the string back to an array.

#### Parameters

`None`

method

`chararray.encode (encoding=None, errors=None)`

Calls `str.encode` element-wise.

**See also:**

`char.encode`

method

`chararray.endswith (suffix, start=0, end=None)`

Returns a boolean array which is `True` where the string element in `self` ends with `suffix`, otherwise `False`.

**See also:**

`char.endswith`

method

`chararray.expandtabs(tabsize=8)`

Return a copy of each string element where all tab characters are replaced by one or more spaces.

**See also:**

`char.expandtabs`

method

`chararray.fill(value)`

Fill the array with a scalar value.

#### Parameters

##### **value**

[scalar] All elements of  $a$  will be assigned this value.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2])
>>> a.fill(0)
>>> a
array([0, 0])
>>> a = np.empty(2)
>>> a.fill(1)
>>> a
array([1., 1.])
```

method

`chararray.find(sub, start=0, end=None)`

For each element, return the lowest index in the string where substring  $sub$  is found.

**See also:**

`char.find`

method

`chararray.flatten(order='C')`

Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.

#### Parameters

##### **order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] 'C' means to flatten in row-major (C-style) order. 'F' means to flatten in column-major (Fortran-style) order. 'A' means to flatten in column-major order if  $a$  is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, row-major order otherwise. 'K' means to flatten  $a$  in the order the elements occur in memory. The default is 'C'.

#### Returns

##### **y**

[ndarray] A copy of the input array, flattened to one dimension.

**See also:**

[`ravel`](#)

Return a flattened array.

[`flat`](#)

A 1-D flat iterator over the array.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1,2], [3,4]])
>>> a.flatten()
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> a.flatten('F')
array([1, 3, 2, 4])
```

method

`chararray.getfield(dtype, offset=0)`

Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.

A field is a view of the array data with a given data-type. The values in the view are determined by the given type and the offset into the current array in bytes. The offset needs to be such that the view dtype fits in the array dtype; for example an array of dtype complex128 has 16-byte elements. If taking a view with a 32-bit integer (4 bytes), the offset needs to be between 0 and 12 bytes.

### Parameters

**dtype**

[str or dtype] The data type of the view. The dtype size of the view can not be larger than that of the array itself.

**offset**

[int] Number of bytes to skip before beginning the element view.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.diag([1.+1.j]*2)
>>> x[1, 1] = 2 + 4.j
>>> x
array([[1.+1.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  2.+4.j]])
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  4.]])
```

By choosing an offset of 8 bytes we can select the complex part of the array for our view:

```
>>> x.getfield(np.float64, offset=8)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  4.]])
```

method

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```
chararray.index(sub, start=0, end=None)
```

Like [find](#), but raises *ValueError* when the substring is not found.

See also:

[`char.index`](#)

method

```
chararray.isalnum()
```

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphanumeric and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

See also:

[`char.isalnum`](#)

method

```
chararray.isalpha()
```

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphabetic and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

See also:

[`char.isalpha`](#)

method

```
chararray.isdecimal()
```

For each element in *self*, return True if there are only decimal characters in the element.

See also:

[`char.isdecimal`](#)

method

```
chararray.isdigit()
```

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are digits and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

See also:

[`char.isdigit`](#)

method

```
chararray.islower()
```

Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are lowercase and there is at least one cased character, false otherwise.

See also:

[`char.islower`](#)

method

`chararray.isnumeric()`

For each element in *self*, return True if there are only numeric characters in the element.

**See also:**

`char.isnumeric`

method

`chararray.isspace()`

Returns true for each element if there are only whitespace characters in the string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

`char.isspace`

method

`chararray.istitle()`

Returns true for each element if the element is a titlecased string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

`char.istitle`

method

`chararray.isupper()`

Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are uppercase and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

`char.isupper`

method

`chararray.item(*args)`

Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.

### Parameters

`*args`

[Arguments (variable number and type)]

- none: in this case, the method only works for arrays with one element (*a.size == 1*), which element is copied into a standard Python scalar object and returned.
- int\_type: this argument is interpreted as a flat index into the array, specifying which element to copy and return.
- tuple of int\_types: functions as does a single int\_type argument, except that the argument is interpreted as an nd-index into the array.

### Returns

**z**

[Standard Python scalar object] A copy of the specified element of the array as a suitable Python scalar

**Notes**

When the data type of *a* is longdouble or clongdouble, item() returns a scalar array object because there is no available Python scalar that would not lose information. Void arrays return a buffer object for item(), unless fields are defined, in which case a tuple is returned.

*item* is very similar to a[args], except, instead of an array scalar, a standard Python scalar is returned. This can be useful for speeding up access to elements of the array and doing arithmetic on elements of the array using Python's optimized math.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.item(3)
1
>>> x.item(7)
0
>>> x.item((0, 1))
2
>>> x.item((2, 2))
1
```

method

`chararray.join(seq)`

Return a string which is the concatenation of the strings in the sequence *seq*.

**See also:**

`char.join`

method

`chararray.ljust(width, fillchar='')`

Return an array with the elements of *self* left-justified in a string of length *width*.

**See also:**

`char.ljust`

method

`chararray.lower()`

Return an array with the elements of *self* converted to lowercase.

**See also:**

**`char.lower`**

method

`chararray.lstrip(chars=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a copy with the leading characters removed.

**See also:**

**`char.lstrip`**

method

`chararray.nonzero()`

Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.

Refer to `numpy.nonzero` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.nonzero`**

equivalent function

method

`chararray.put(indices, values, mode='raise')`

Set `a.flat[n] = values[n]` for all *n* in *indices*.

Refer to `numpy.put` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.put`**

equivalent function

method

`chararray.ravel([order])`

Return a flattened array.

Refer to `numpy.ravel` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.ravel`**

equivalent function

**`ndarray.flat`**

a flat iterator on the array.

method

`chararray.repeat(repeats, axis=None)`

Repeat elements of an array.

Refer to `numpy.repeat` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.repeat`**

equivalent function

method

**`chararray.replace (old, new, count=None)`**

For each element in *self*, return a copy of the string with all occurrences of substring *old* replaced by *new*.

**See also:**

**`char.replace`**

method

**`chararray.reshape (shape, order='C')`**

Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.

Refer to `numpy.reshape` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.reshape`**

equivalent function

## Notes

Unlike the free function `numpy.reshape`, this method on `ndarray` allows the elements of the shape parameter to be passed in as separate arguments. For example, `a.reshape(10, 11)` is equivalent to `a.reshape((10, 11))`.

method

**`chararray.resize (new_shape, refcheck=True)`**

Change shape and size of array in-place.

### Parameters

**`new_shape`**

[tuple of ints, or *n* ints] Shape of resized array.

**`refcheck`**

[bool, optional] If False, reference count will not be checked. Default is True.

### Returns

**`None`**

### Raises

**`ValueError`**

If *a* does not own its own data or references or views to it exist, and the data memory must be changed. PyPy only: will always raise if the data memory must be changed, since there is no reliable way to determine if references or views to it exist.

**SystemError**

If the `order` keyword argument is specified. This behaviour is a bug in NumPy.

**See also:**

**`resize`**

Return a new array with the specified shape.

**Notes**

This reallocates space for the data area if necessary.

Only contiguous arrays (data elements consecutive in memory) can be resized.

The purpose of the reference count check is to make sure you do not use this array as a buffer for another Python object and then reallocate the memory. However, reference counts can increase in other ways so if you are sure that you have not shared the memory for this array with another Python object, then you may safely set `refcheck` to False.

**Examples**

Shrinking an array: array is flattened (in the order that the data are stored in memory), resized, and reshaped:

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='C')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [1]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='F')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [2]])
```

Enlarging an array: as above, but missing entries are filled with zeros:

```
>>> b = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]])
>>> b.resize(2, 3) # new_shape parameter doesn't have to be a tuple
>>> b
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 0, 0]])
```

Referencing an array prevents resizing...

```
>>> c = a
>>> a.resize((1, 1))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot resize an array that references or is referenced ...
```

Unless `refcheck` is False:

```
>>> a.resize((1, 1), refcheck=False)
>>> a
array([[0]])
>>> c
array([[0]])
```

method

`chararray.rfind(sub, start=0, end=None)`

For each element in *self*, return the highest index in the string where substring *sub* is found, such that *sub* is contained within *[start, end]*.

See also:

`char.rfind`

method

`chararray.rindex(sub, start=0, end=None)`

Like `rfind`, but raises `ValueError` when the substring *sub* is not found.

See also:

`char.rindex`

method

`chararray.rjust(width, fillchar='')`

Return an array with the elements of *self* right-justified in a string of length *width*.

See also:

`char.rjust`

method

`chararray.rsplit(sep=None, maxsplit=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a list of the words in the string, using *sep* as the delimiter string.

See also:

`char.rsplit`

method

`chararray.rstrip(chars=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a copy with the trailing characters removed.

See also:

`char.rstrip`

method

`chararray.searchsorted(v, side='left', sorter=None)`

Find indices where elements of `v` should be inserted in `a` to maintain order.

For full documentation, see [numpy.searchsorted](#)

**See also:**

[numpy.searchsorted](#)

equivalent function

method

`chararray.setfield(val, dtype, offset=0)`

Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.

Place `val` into `a`'s field defined by `dtype` and beginning `offset` bytes into the field.

### Parameters

#### `val`

[object] Value to be placed in field.

#### `dtype`

[dtype object] Data-type of the field in which to place `val`.

#### `offset`

[int, optional] The number of bytes into the field at which to place `val`.

### Returns

#### `None`

**See also:**

[getfield](#)

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.eye(3)
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
>>> x.setfield(3, np.int32)
>>> x.getfield(np.int32)
array([[3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3]], dtype=int32)
>>> x
array([[1.0e+000, 1.5e-323, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.0e+000, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.5e-323, 1.0e+000]])
```

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```
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
```

**method****chararray.setflags** (*write=None*, *align=None*, *uic=None*)

Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.

These Boolean-valued flags affect how numpy interprets the memory area used by *a* (see Notes below). The ALIGNED flag can only be set to True if the data is actually aligned according to the type. The WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag can never be set to True. The flag WRITEABLE can only be set to True if the array owns its own memory, or the ultimate owner of the memory exposes a writeable buffer interface, or is a string. (The exception for string is made so that unpickling can be done without copying memory.)

### Parameters

#### **write**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* can be written to.

#### **align**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is aligned properly for its type.

#### **uic**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is a copy of another “base” array.

### Notes

Array flags provide information about how the memory area used for the array is to be interpreted. There are 7 Boolean flags in use, only four of which can be changed by the user: WRITEBACKIFCOPY, WRITEABLE, and ALIGNED.

WRITEABLE (W) the data area can be written to;

ALIGNED (A) the data and strides are aligned appropriately for the hardware (as determined by the compiler);

WRITEBACKIFCOPY (X) this array is a copy of some other array (referenced by .base). When the C-API function PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy is called, the base array will be updated with the contents of this array.

All flags can be accessed using the single (upper case) letter as well as the full name.

### Examples

```
>>> y = np.array([[3, 1, 7],
...                 [2, 0, 0],
...                 [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y
array([[3, 1, 7],
       [2, 0, 0],
       [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
```

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```
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : True
ALIGNED : True
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(write=0, align=0)
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : False
ALIGNED : False
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(uic=1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: cannot set WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag to True
```

method

`chararray.sort (axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Sort an array in-place. Refer to [numpy.sort](#) for full documentation.

### Parameters

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. Default is -1, which means sort along the last axis.

#### kind

[{‘quicksort’, ‘mergesort’, ‘heapsort’, ‘stable’}, optional] Sorting algorithm. The default is ‘quicksort’. Note that both ‘stable’ and ‘mergesort’ use timsort under the covers and, in general, the actual implementation will vary with datatype. The ‘mergesort’ option is retained for backwards compatibility.

Changed in version 1.15.0: The ‘stable’ option was added.

#### order

[str or list of str, optional] When  $a$  is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

### See also:

[`numpy.sort`](#)

Return a sorted copy of an array.

[`numpy.argsort`](#)

Indirect sort.

[`numpy.lexsort`](#)

Indirect stable sort on multiple keys.

[`numpy.searchsorted`](#)

Find elements in sorted array.

**`numpy.partition`**

Partial sort.

**Notes**

See `numpy.sort` for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 4], [3, 1]])
>>> a.sort(axis=1)
>>> a
array([[1, 4],
       [1, 3]])
>>> a.sort(axis=0)
>>> a
array([[1, 3],
       [1, 4]])
```

Use the `order` keyword to specify a field to use when sorting a structured array:

```
>>> a = np.array([(b'a', 2), (b'c', 1)], dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', int)])
>>> a.sort(order='y')
>>> a
array([(b'c', 1), (b'a', 2)],
      dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', '<i8')])
```

method

**`chararray.split` (*sep=None*, *maxsplit=None*)**

For each element in *self*, return a list of the words in the string, using *sep* as the delimiter string.

**See also:**

**`char.split`**

method

**`chararray.splitlines` (*keepends=None*)**

For each element in *self*, return a list of the lines in the element, breaking at line boundaries.

**See also:**

**`char.splitlines`**

method

**`chararray.squeeze` (*axis=None*)**

Remove axes of length one from *a*.

Refer to `numpy.squeeze` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.squeeze`

equivalent function

method

`chararray.startswith(prefix, start=0, end=None)`

Returns a boolean array which is *True* where the string element in *self* starts with *prefix*, otherwise *False*.

See also:

`char.startswith`

method

`chararray.strip(chars=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a copy with the leading and trailing characters removed.

See also:

`char.strip`

method

`chararray.swapaxes(axis1, axis2)`

Return a view of the array with *axis1* and *axis2* interchanged.

Refer to `numpy.swapaxes` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.swapaxes`

equivalent function

method

`chararray.swapcase()`

For each element in *self*, return a copy of the string with uppercase characters converted to lowercase and vice versa.

See also:

`char.swapcase`

method

`chararray.take(indices, axis=None, out=None, mode='raise')`

Return an array formed from the elements of *a* at the given indices.

Refer to `numpy.take` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.take`

equivalent function

method

`chararray.title()`

For each element in *self*, return a titlecased version of the string: words start with uppercase characters, all remaining cased characters are lowercase.

**See also:**

`char.title`

method

`chararray.tofile (fid, sep=",", format='%s')`

Write array to a file as text or binary (default).

Data is always written in ‘C’ order, independent of the order of *a*. The data produced by this method can be recovered using the function `fromfile()`.

**Parameters****fid**

[file or str or Path] An open file object, or a string containing a filename.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

**sep**

[str] Separator between array items for text output. If “” (empty), a binary file is written, equivalent to `file.write(a.tobytes())`.

**format**

[str] Format string for text file output. Each entry in the array is formatted to text by first converting it to the closest Python type, and then using “format” % item.

**Notes**

This is a convenience function for quick storage of array data. Information on endianness and precision is lost, so this method is not a good choice for files intended to archive data or transport data between machines with different endianness. Some of these problems can be overcome by outputting the data as text files, at the expense of speed and file size.

When *fid* is a file object, array contents are directly written to the file, bypassing the file object’s `write` method. As a result, `tofile` cannot be used with files objects supporting compression (e.g., `GzipFile`) or file-like objects that do not support `fileno()` (e.g., `BytesIO`).

method

`chararray.tolist()`

Return the array as an `a.ndim`-levels deep nested list of Python scalars.

Return a copy of the array data as a (nested) Python list. Data items are converted to the nearest compatible builtin Python type, via the `item` function.

If `a.ndim` is 0, then since the depth of the nested list is 0, it will not be a list at all, but a simple Python scalar.

**Parameters****none**

## Returns

y

[object, or list of object, or list of list of object, or ...] The possibly nested list of array elements.

## Notes

The array may be recreated via `a = np.array(a.tolist())`, although this may sometimes lose precision.

## Examples

For a 1D array, `a.tolist()` is almost the same as `list(a)`, except that `tolist` changes numpy scalars to Python scalars:

```
>>> a = np.uint32([1, 2])
>>> a_list = list(a)
>>> a_list
[1, 2]
>>> type(a_list[0])
<class 'numpy.uint32'>
>>> a.tolist = a.tolist()
>>> a.tolist
[1, 2]
>>> type(a.tolist[0])
<class 'int'>
```

Additionally, for a 2D array, `tolist` applies recursively:

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> list(a)
[array([1, 2]), array([3, 4])]
>>> a.tolist()
[[1, 2], [3, 4]]
```

The base case for this recursion is a 0D array:

```
>>> a = np.array(1)
>>> list(a)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: iteration over a 0-d array
>>> a.tolist()
1
```

method

`chararray.tostring(order='C')`

A compatibility alias for `tobytes`, with exactly the same behavior.

Despite its name, it returns `bytes` not `strs`.

Deprecated since version 1.19.0.

method

**chararray.translate**(table, deletechars=None)

For each element in *self*, return a copy of the string where all characters occurring in the optional argument *deletechars* are removed, and the remaining characters have been mapped through the given translation table.

**See also:**

**char.translate**

**method**

**chararray.transpose**(\*axes)

Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.

For a 1-D array this has no effect, as a transposed vector is simply the same vector. To convert a 1-D array into a 2D column vector, an additional dimension must be added. *np.atleast2d(a).T* achieves this, as does *a[:, np.newaxis]*. For a 2-D array, this is a standard matrix transpose. For an n-D array, if axes are given, their order indicates how the axes are permuted (see Examples). If axes are not provided and *a.shape = (i[0], i[1], ... i[n-2], i[n-1])*, then *a.transpose().shape = (i[n-1], i[n-2], ... i[1], i[0])*.

**Parameters****axes**

[None, tuple of ints, or *n* ints]

- None or no argument: reverses the order of the axes.
- tuple of ints: *i* in the *j*-th place in the tuple means *a*'s *i*-th axis becomes *a.transpose()*'s *j*-th axis.
- *n* ints: same as an *n*-tuple of the same ints (this form is intended simply as a “convenience” alternative to the tuple form)

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] View of *a*, with axes suitably permuted.

**See also:**

**transpose**

Equivalent function

**ndarray.T**

Array property returning the array transposed.

**ndarray.reshape**

Give a new shape to an array without changing its data.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> a
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
>>> a.transpose()
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose((1, 0))
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose(1, 0)
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
```

method

`chararray.upper()`

Return an array with the elements of *self* converted to uppercase.

See also:

`char.upper`

method

`chararray.view([dtype][, type])`

New view of array with the same data.

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**Note:** Passing `None` for `dtype` is different from omitting the parameter, since the former invokes `dtype(None)` which is an alias for `dtype('float_')`.

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## Parameters

### `dtype`

[data-type or ndarray sub-class, optional] Data-type descriptor of the returned view, e.g., `float32` or `int16`. Omitting it results in the view having the same data-type as *a*. This argument can also be specified as an ndarray sub-class, which then specifies the type of the returned object (this is equivalent to setting the `type` parameter).

### `type`

[Python type, optional] Type of the returned view, e.g., `ndarray` or `matrix`. Again, omission of the parameter results in type preservation.

## Notes

`a.view()` is used two different ways:

`a.view(some_dtype)` or `a.view(dtype=some_dtype)` constructs a view of the array's memory with a different data-type. This can cause a reinterpretation of the bytes of memory.

`a.view(ndarray_subclass)` or `a.view(type=ndarray_subclass)` just returns an instance of `ndarray_subclass` that looks at the same array (same shape, dtype, etc.) This does not cause a reinterpretation of the memory.

For `a.view(some_dtype)`, if `some_dtype` has a different number of bytes per entry than the previous dtype (for example, converting a regular array to a structured array), then the last axis of `a` must be contiguous. This axis will be resized in the result.

Changed in version 1.23.0: Only the last axis needs to be contiguous. Previously, the entire array had to be C-contiguous.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
```

Viewing array data using a different type and dtype:

```
>>> y = x.view(dtype=np.int16, type=np.matrix)
>>> y
matrix([[513]], dtype=int16)
>>> print(type(y))
<class 'numpy.matrix'>
```

Creating a view on a structured array so it can be used in calculations

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
>>> xv = x.view(dtype=np.int8).reshape(-1, 2)
>>> xv
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]], dtype=int8)
>>> xv.mean(0)
array([2., 3.])
```

Making changes to the view changes the underlying array

```
>>> xv[0, 1] = 20
>>> x
array([(1, 20), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', 'i1'), ('b', 'i1')])
```

Using a view to convert an array to a recarray:

```
>>> z = x.view(np.recarray)
>>> z.a
array([1, 3], dtype=int8)
```

Views share data:

```
>>> x[0] = (9, 10)
>>> z[0]
(9, 10)
```

Views that change the dtype size (bytes per entry) should normally be avoided on arrays defined by slices, transposes, fortran-ordering, etc.:

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], dtype=np.int16)
>>> y = x[:, ::2]
>>> y
array([[1, 3],
       [4, 6]], dtype=int16)
>>> y.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: To change to a dtype of a different size, the last axis must be contiguous
>>> z = y.copy()
>>> z.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
array([(1, 3),
       (4, 6)], dtype=[('width', '<i2'), ('length', '<i2')])
```

However, views that change dtype are totally fine for arrays with a contiguous last axis, even if the rest of the axes are not C-contiguous:

```
>>> x = np.arange(2 * 3 * 4, dtype=np.int8).reshape(2, 3, 4)
>>> x.transpose(1, 0, 2).view(np.int16)
array([[[ 256,  770],
        [3340, 3854]],

       [[1284, 1798],
        [4368, 4882]],

       [[2312, 2826],
        [5396, 5910]]], dtype=int16)
```

method

`chararray.zfill(width)`

Return the numeric string left-filled with zeros in a string of length *width*.

See also:

`char.zfill`

`core.defchararray.array(obj, itemsize=None, copy=True, unicode=None, order=None)`

Create a `chararray`.

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**Note:** This class is provided for numarray backward-compatibility. New code (not concerned with numarray compatibility) should use arrays of type `string_` or `unicode_` and use the free functions in `numpy.char` for fast vectorized string operations instead.

Versus a regular NumPy array of type `str` or `unicode`, this class adds the following functionality:

- 1) values automatically have whitespace removed from the end when indexed
- 2) comparison operators automatically remove whitespace from the end when comparing values
- 3) vectorized string operations are provided as methods (e.g. `str.endswith`) and infix operators (e.g. `+`, `*`, `%`)

**Parameters****obj**

[array of str or unicode-like]

**itemsize**

[int, optional] *itemsize* is the number of characters per scalar in the resulting array. If *itemsize* is None, and *obj* is an object array or a Python list, the *itemsize* will be automatically determined. If *itemsize* is provided and *obj* is of type str or unicode, then the *obj* string will be chunked into *itemsize* pieces.

**copy**

[bool, optional] If true (default), then the object is copied. Otherwise, a copy will only be made if `__array__` returns a copy, if *obj* is a nested sequence, or if a copy is needed to satisfy any of the other requirements (*itemsize*, unicode, *order*, etc.).

**unicode**

[bool, optional] When true, the resulting `chararray` can contain Unicode characters, when false only 8-bit characters. If *unicode* is None and *obj* is one of the following:

- a `chararray`,
- an ndarray of type `str` or `unicode`
- a Python str or unicode object,

then the *unicode* setting of the output array will be automatically determined.

**order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A'}, optional] Specify the order of the array. If *order* is 'C' (default), then the array will be in C-contiguous order (last-index varies the fastest). If *order* is 'F', then the returned array will be in Fortran-contiguous order (first-index varies the fastest). If *order* is 'A', then the returned array may be in any order (either C-, Fortran-contiguous, or even discontiguous).

Another difference with the standard ndarray of str data-type is that the chararray inherits the feature introduced by Numarray that white-space at the end of any element in the array will be ignored on item retrieval and comparison operations.

## 1.6.5 Record arrays (numpy.rec)

### See also:

[Creating record arrays \(numpy.rec\)](#), [Data type routines](#), [Data type objects \(dtype\)](#).

NumPy provides the `recarray` class which allows accessing the fields of a structured array as attributes, and a corresponding scalar data type object `record`.

<code>recarray(shape[, dtype, buf, offset, ...])</code>	Construct an ndarray that allows field access using attributes.
<code>record</code>	A data-type scalar that allows field access as attribute lookup.

```
class numpy.recarray(shape, dtype=None, buf=None, offset=0, strides=None, formats=None, names=None, titles=None, byteorder=None, aligned=False, order='C')
```

Construct an ndarray that allows field access using attributes.

Arrays may have a data-types containing fields, analogous to columns in a spread sheet. An example is `[ (x, int), (y, float) ]`, where each entry in the array is a pair of `(int, float)`. Normally, these attributes are accessed using dictionary lookups such as `arr['x']` and `arr['y']`. Record arrays allow the fields to be accessed as members of the array, using `arr.x` and `arr.y`.

### Parameters

#### shape

[tuple] Shape of output array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] The desired data-type. By default, the data-type is determined from *formats*, *names*, *titles*, *aligned* and *byteorder*.

#### formats

[list of data-types, optional] A list containing the data-types for the different columns, e.g. `['i4', 'f8', 'i4']`. *formats* does not support the new convention of using types directly, i.e. `(int, float, int)`. Note that *formats* must be a list, not a tuple. Given that *formats* is somewhat limited, we recommend specifying *dtype* instead.

#### names

[tuple of str, optional] The name of each column, e.g. `('x', 'y', 'z')`.

#### buf

[buffer, optional] By default, a new array is created of the given shape and data-type. If *buf* is specified and is an object exposing the buffer interface, the array will use the memory from the existing buffer. In this case, the *offset* and *strides* keywords are available.

### Returns

#### rec

[recarray] Empty array of the given shape and type.

### Other Parameters

#### titles

[tuple of str, optional] Aliases for column names. For example, if *names* were `('x', 'y', 'z')` and *titles* is `('x_coordinate', 'y_coordinate', 'z_coordinate')`, then `arr['x']` is equivalent to both `arr.x` and `arr.x_coordinate`.

#### byteorder

[{<, >, =}, optional] Byte-order for all fields.

#### aligned

[bool, optional] Align the fields in memory as the C-compiler would.

#### strides

[tuple of ints, optional] Buffer (*buf*) is interpreted according to these strides (strides define how many bytes each array element, row, column, etc. occupy in memory).

**offset**

[int, optional] Start reading buffer (*buf*) from this offset onwards.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**

**`core.records.fromrecords`**

Construct a record array from data.

**`record`**

fundamental data-type for `recarray`.

**`format_parser`**

determine a data-type from formats, names, titles.

**Notes**

This constructor can be compared to `empty`: it creates a new record array but does not fill it with data. To create a record array from data, use one of the following methods:

1. Create a standard ndarray and convert it to a record array, using `arr.view(np.recarray)`
2. Use the *buf* keyword.
3. Use `np.rec.fromrecords`.

**Examples**

Create an array with two fields, x and y:

```
>>> x = np.array([(1.0, 2), (3.0, 4)], dtype=[('x', '<f8'), ('y', 'i8')])
>>> x
array([(1., 2), (3., 4)], dtype=[('x', '<f8'), ('y', 'i8')])
```

```
>>> x['x']
array([1., 3.])
```

View the array as a record array:

```
>>> x = x.view(np.recarray)
```

```
>>> x.x
array([1., 3.])
```

```
>>> x.y
array([2, 4])
```

Create a new, empty record array:

```
>>> np.recarray((2,),  
... dtype=[('x', int), ('y', float), ('z', int)])  
rec.array([(-1073741821, 1.2249118382103472e-301, 24547520),  
          (3471280, 1.2134086255804012e-316, 0)],  
         dtype=[('x', '<i4'), ('y', '<f8'), ('z', '<i4')])
```

## Attributes

### T

The transposed array.

### base

Base object if memory is from some other object.

### ctypes

An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the ctypes module.

### data

Python buffer object pointing to the start of the array's data.

### dtype

Data-type of the array's elements.

### flags

Information about the memory layout of the array.

### flat

A 1-D iterator over the array.

### imag

The imaginary part of the array.

### itemsize

Length of one array element in bytes.

### nbytes

Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.

### ndim

Number of array dimensions.

### real

The real part of the array.

### shape

Tuple of array dimensions.

### size

Number of elements in the array.

### strides

Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.

## Methods

<code>all([axis, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.
<code>any([axis, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns True if any of the elements of <i>a</i> evaluate to True.
<code>argmax([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Return indices of the maximum values along the given axis.
<code>argmin([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Return indices of the minimum values along the given axis.
<code>argpartition(kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would partition this array.
<code>argsort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would sort this array.
<code>astype(dtype[, order, casting, subok, copy])</code>	Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.
<code>byteswap([inplace])</code>	Swap the bytes of the array elements
<code>choose(choices[, out, mode])</code>	Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.
<code>clip([min, max, out])</code>	Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max].
<code>compress(condition[, axis, out])</code>	Return selected slices of this array along given axis.
<code>conj()</code>	Complex-conjugate all elements.
<code>conjugate()</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.
<code>copy([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array.
<code>cumprod([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of the elements along the given axis.
<code>cumsum([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of the elements along the given axis.
<code>diagonal([offset, axis1, axis2])</code>	Return specified diagonals.
<code>dump(file)</code>	Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file.
<code>dumps()</code>	Returns the pickle of the array as a string.
<code>fill(value)</code>	Fill the array with a scalar value.
<code>flatten([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.
<code>getfield(dtype[, offset])</code>	Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.
<code>item(*args)</code>	Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.
<code>itemset(*args)</code>	Insert scalar into an array (scalar is cast to array's dtype, if possible)
<code>max([axis, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return the maximum along a given axis.
<code>mean([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.
<code>min([axis, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return the minimum along a given axis.
<code>newbyteorder([new_order])</code>	Return the array with the same data viewed with a different byte order.
<code>nonzero()</code>	Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
<code>partition(kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Rearranges the elements in the array in such a way that the value of the element in kth position is in the position it would be in a sorted array.
<code>prod([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, initial, ...])</code>	Return the product of the array elements over the given axis
<code>ptp([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Peak to peak (maximum - minimum) value along a given axis.

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<code>put</code> (indices, values[, mode])	Set <code>a.flat[n] = values[n]</code> for all <code>n</code> in indices.
<code>ravel</code> ([order])	Return a flattened array.
<code>repeat</code> (repeats[, axis])	Repeat elements of an array.
<code>reshape</code> (shape[, order])	Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.
<code>resize</code> (new_shape[, refcheck])	Change shape and size of array in-place.
<code>round</code> ([decimals, out])	Return <code>a</code> with each element rounded to the given number of decimals.
<code>searchsorted</code> (v[, side, sorter])	Find indices where elements of <code>v</code> should be inserted in <code>a</code> to maintain order.
<code>setfield</code> (val, dtype[, offset])	Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.
<code>setflags</code> ([write, align, uic])	Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.
<code>sort</code> ([axis, kind, order])	Sort an array in-place.
<code>squeeze</code> ([axis])	Remove axes of length one from <code>a</code> .
<code>std</code> ([axis, dtype, out, ddof, keepdims, where])	Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.
<code>sum</code> ([axis, dtype, out, keepdims, initial, where])	Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>swapaxes</code> (axis1, axis2)	Return a view of the array with <code>axis1</code> and <code>axis2</code> interchanged.
<code>take</code> (indices[, axis, out, mode])	Return an array formed from the elements of <code>a</code> at the given indices.
<code>tobytes</code> ([order])	Construct Python bytes containing the raw data bytes in the array.
<code>tofile</code> (fid[, sep, format])	Write array to a file as text or binary (default).
<code>tolist</code> ()	Return the array as an <code>a.ndim</code> -levels deep nested list of Python scalars.
<code>toString</code> ([order])	A compatibility alias for <code>tobytes</code> , with exactly the same behavior.
<code>trace</code> ([offset, axis1, axis2, dtype, out])	Return the sum along diagonals of the array.
<code>transpose</code> (*axes)	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.
<code>var</code> ([axis, dtype, out, ddof, keepdims, where])	Returns the variance of the array elements, along given axis.
<code>view</code> ([dtype][, type])	New view of array with the same data.

method

`recarray.all`(axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False, \*, where=True)

Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.

Refer to `numpy.all` for full documentation.**See also:**`numpy.all`

equivalent function

method

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```
recarray.any(axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False, *, where=True)
```

Returns True if any of the elements of *a* evaluate to True.

Refer to [numpy.any](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.any](#)

equivalent function

method

```
recarray.argmax(axis=None, out=None, *, keepdims=False)
```

Return indices of the maximum values along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.argmax](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.argmax](#)

equivalent function

method

```
recarray.argmin(axis=None, out=None, *, keepdims=False)
```

Return indices of the minimum values along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.argmin](#) for detailed documentation.

See also:

[numpy.argmin](#)

equivalent function

method

```
recarray.argpartition(kth, axis=-1, kind='introselect', order=None)
```

Returns the indices that would partition this array.

Refer to [numpy.argpartition](#) for full documentation.

New in version 1.8.0.

See also:

[numpy.argpartition](#)

equivalent function

method

```
recarray.argsort(axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)
```

Returns the indices that would sort this array.

Refer to [numpy.argsort](#) for full documentation.

See also:

**`numpy.argsort`**

equivalent function

method

`recarray.astype(dtype, order='K', casting='unsafe', subok=True, copy=True)`

Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.

**Parameters****`dtype`**

[str or dtype] Typecode or data-type to which the array is cast.

**`order`**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout order of the result. 'C' means C order, 'F' means Fortran order, 'A' means 'F' order if all the arrays are Fortran contiguous, 'C' order otherwise, and 'K' means as close to the order the array elements appear in memory as possible. Default is 'K'.

**`casting`**

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur. Defaults to 'unsafe' for backwards compatibility.

- 'no' means the data types should not be cast at all.
- 'equiv' means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- 'safe' means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- 'same\_kind' means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- 'unsafe' means any data conversions may be done.

**`subok`**

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through (default), otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array.

**`copy`**

[bool, optional] By default, astype always returns a newly allocated array. If this is set to false, and the `dtype`, `order`, and `subok` requirements are satisfied, the input array is returned instead of a copy.

**Returns****`arr_t`**

[ndarray] Unless `copy` is False and the other conditions for returning the input array are satisfied (see description for `copy` input parameter), `arr_t` is a new array of the same shape as the input array, with `dtype`, `order` given by `dtype`, `order`.

**Raises****`ComplexWarning`**

When casting from complex to float or int. To avoid this, one should use `a.real.astype(t)`.

## Notes

Changed in version 1.17.0: Casting between a simple data type and a structured one is possible only for “unsafe” casting. Casting to multiple fields is allowed, but casting from multiple fields is not.

Changed in version 1.9.0: Casting from numeric to string types in ‘safe’ casting mode requires that the string dtype length is long enough to store the max integer/float value converted.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 2.5])
>>> x
array([1., 2., 2.5])
```

```
>>> x.astype(int)
array([1, 2, 2])
```

method

`recarray.byteswap(inplace=False)`

Swap the bytes of the array elements

Toggle between low-endian and big-endian data representation by returning a byteswapped array, optionally swapped in-place. Arrays of byte-strings are not swapped. The real and imaginary parts of a complex number are swapped individually.

### Parameters

#### inplace

[bool, optional] If `True`, swap bytes in-place, default is `False`.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] The byteswapped array. If `inplace` is `True`, this is a view to self.

## Examples

```
>>> A = np.array([1, 256, 8755], dtype=np.int16)
>>> list(map(hex, A))
['0x1', '0x100', '0x2233']
>>> A.byteswap(inplace=True)
array([ 256,       1, 13090], dtype=int16)
>>> list(map(hex, A))
['0x100', '0x1', '0x3322']
```

Arrays of byte-strings are not swapped

```
>>> A = np.array([b'ceg', b'fac'])
>>> A.byteswap()
array([b'ceg', b'fac'], dtype='|S3')
```

**A.`newbyteorder()`.`byteswap()` produces an array with the same values**

but different representation in memory

```
>>> A = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> A.view(np.uint8)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
       0, 0], dtype=uint8)
>>> A.newbyteorder().byteswap(inplace=True)
array([1, 2, 3])
>>> A.view(np.uint8)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
       0, 3], dtype=uint8)
```

method

`recarray.choose(choices, out=None, mode='raise')`

Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.

Refer to [`numpy.choose`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.choose`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.clip(min=None, max=None, out=None, **kwargs)`

Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max]. One of max or min must be given.

Refer to [`numpy.clip`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.clip`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.compress(condition, axis=None, out=None)`

Return selected slices of this array along given axis.

Refer to [`numpy.compress`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.compress`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.conj()`

Complex-conjugate all elements.

Refer to [`numpy.conjugate`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.conjugate`**

equivalent function

method

`recarray.conjugate()`

Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.

Refer to `numpy.conjugate` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.conjugate`**

equivalent function

method

`recarray.copy(order='C')`

Return a copy of the array.

**Parameters****order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the copy. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible. (Note that this function and `numpy.copy` are very similar but have different default values for their order= arguments, and this function always passes sub-classes through.)

**See also:**

**`numpy.copy`**

Similar function with different default behavior

**`numpy.copyto`****Notes**

This function is the preferred method for creating an array copy. The function `numpy.copy` is similar, but it defaults to using order 'K', and will not pass sub-classes through by default.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='F')
```

```
>>> y = x.copy()
```

```
>>> x.fill(0)
```

```
>>> x
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> y.flags['C_CONTIGUOUS']
True
```

method

`recarray.cumprod(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the cumulative product of the elements along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.cumprod](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.cumprod](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.cumsum(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the cumulative sum of the elements along the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.cumsum](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.cumsum](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.diagonal(offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1)`

Return specified diagonals. In NumPy 1.9 the returned array is a read-only view instead of a copy as in previous NumPy versions. In a future version the read-only restriction will be removed.

Refer to [numpy.diagonal](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.diagonal](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.dump(file)`

Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file. The array can be read back with `pickle.load` or `numpy.load`.

### Parameters

#### file

[str or Path] A string naming the dump file.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

method

**recarray.dumps()**

Returns the pickle of the array as a string. pickle.loads will convert the string back to an array.

**Parameters****None**

method

**recarray.fill(value)**

Fill the array with a scalar value.

**Parameters****value**

[scalar] All elements of  $a$  will be assigned this value.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2])
>>> a.fill(0)
>>> a
array([0, 0])
>>> a = np.empty(2)
>>> a.fill(1)
>>> a
array([1., 1.])
```

method

**recarray.flatten(order='C')**

Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.

**Parameters****order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] 'C' means to flatten in row-major (C-style) order. 'F' means to flatten in column-major (Fortran-style) order. 'A' means to flatten in column-major order if  $a$  is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, row-major order otherwise. 'K' means to flatten  $a$  in the order the elements occur in memory. The default is 'C'.

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] A copy of the input array, flattened to one dimension.

**See also:****ravel**

Return a flattened array.

**flat**

A 1-D flat iterator over the array.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1,2], [3,4]])
>>> a.flatten()
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> a.flatten('F')
array([1, 3, 2, 4])
```

method

`recarray.getfield(dtype, offset=0)`

Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.

A field is a view of the array data with a given data-type. The values in the view are determined by the given type and the offset into the current array in bytes. The offset needs to be such that the view dtype fits in the array dtype; for example an array of dtype complex128 has 16-byte elements. If taking a view with a 32-bit integer (4 bytes), the offset needs to be between 0 and 12 bytes.

### Parameters

#### `dtype`

[str or dtype] The data type of the view. The dtype size of the view can not be larger than that of the array itself.

#### `offset`

[int] Number of bytes to skip before beginning the element view.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.diag([1.+1.j]*2)
>>> x[1, 1] = 2 + 4.j
>>> x
array([[1.+1.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  2.+4.j]])
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  2.]])
```

By choosing an offset of 8 bytes we can select the complex part of the array for our view:

```
>>> x.getfield(np.float64, offset=8)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  4.]])
```

method

`recarray.item(*args)`

Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.

### Parameters

#### `*args`

[Arguments (variable number and type)]

- none: in this case, the method only works for arrays with one element (`a.size == 1`), which element is copied into a standard Python scalar object and returned.

- `int_type`: this argument is interpreted as a flat index into the array, specifying which element to copy and return.
- tuple of `int_types`: functions as does a single `int_type` argument, except that the argument is interpreted as an nd-index into the array.

## Returns

`z`

[Standard Python scalar object] A copy of the specified element of the array as a suitable Python scalar

## Notes

When the data type of `a` is longdouble or clongdouble, `item()` returns a scalar array object because there is no available Python scalar that would not lose information. Void arrays return a buffer object for `item()`, unless fields are defined, in which case a tuple is returned.

`item` is very similar to `a[args]`, except, instead of an array scalar, a standard Python scalar is returned. This can be useful for speeding up access to elements of the array and doing arithmetic on elements of the array using Python's optimized math.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.item(3)
1
>>> x.item(7)
0
>>> x.item((0, 1))
2
>>> x.item((2, 2))
1
```

method

`recarray.itemset(*args)`

Insert scalar into an array (scalar is cast to array's dtype, if possible)

There must be at least 1 argument, and define the last argument as `item`. Then, `a.itemset(*args)` is equivalent to but faster than `a[args] = item`. The item should be a scalar value and `args` must select a single item in the array `a`.

## Parameters

`*args`

[Arguments] If one argument: a scalar, only used in case `a` is of size 1. If two arguments: the last argument is the value to be set and must be a scalar, the first argument specifies a single array element location. It is either an int or a tuple.

## Notes

Compared to indexing syntax, `itemset` provides some speed increase for placing a scalar into a particular location in an `ndarray`, if you must do this. However, generally this is discouraged: among other problems, it complicates the appearance of the code. Also, when using `itemset` (and `item`) inside a loop, be sure to assign the methods to a local variable to avoid the attribute look-up at each loop iteration.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.itemset(4, 0)
>>> x.itemset((2, 2), 9)
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 0, 6],
       [1, 0, 9]])
```

method

`recarray.max (axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False, initial=<no value>, where=True)`

Return the maximum along a given axis.

Refer to `numpy.amax` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.amax`

equivalent function

method

`recarray.mean (axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=False, *, where=True)`

Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.

Refer to `numpy.mean` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.mean`

equivalent function

method

`recarray.min (axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False, initial=<no value>, where=True)`

Return the minimum along a given axis.

Refer to `numpy.amin` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.amin`**

equivalent function

method

`recarray.newbyteorder(new_order='S', /)`

Return the array with the same data viewed with a different byte order.

Equivalent to:

```
arr.view(arr.dtype.newbyteorder(new_order))
```

Changes are also made in all fields and sub-arrays of the array data type.

**Parameters****`new_order`**

[string, optional] Byte order to force; a value from the byte order specifications below.  
`new_order` codes can be any of:

- ‘S’ - swap dtype from current to opposite endian
- {‘<’, ‘little’} - little endian
- {‘>’, ‘big’} - big endian
- {‘=’, ‘native’} - native order, equivalent to `sys.byteorder`
- {‘|’, ‘T’} - ignore (no change to byte order)

The default value (‘S’) results in swapping the current byte order.

**Returns****`new_arr`**

[array] New array object with the dtype reflecting given change to the byte order.

method

`recarray.nonzero()`

Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.

Refer to [`numpy.nonzero`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

**`numpy.nonzero`**

equivalent function

method

`recarray.partition(kth, axis=-1, kind='introselect', order=None)`

Rearranges the elements in the array in such a way that the value of the element in kth position is in the position it would be in a sorted array. All elements smaller than the kth element are moved before this element and all equal or greater are moved behind it. The ordering of the elements in the two partitions is undefined.

New in version 1.8.0.

**Parameters**

**kth**

[int or sequence of ints] Element index to partition by. The kth element value will be in its final sorted position and all smaller elements will be moved before it and all equal or greater elements behind it. The order of all elements in the partitions is undefined. If provided with a sequence of kth it will partition all elements indexed by kth of them into their sorted position at once.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0: Passing booleans as index is deprecated.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. Default is -1, which means sort along the last axis.

**kind**

[{‘introselect’}, optional] Selection algorithm. Default is ‘introselect’.

**order**

[str or list of str, optional] When  $a$  is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need to be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

**See also:**[\*\*numpy.partition\*\*](#)

Return a partitioned copy of an array.

[\*\*argpartition\*\*](#)

Indirect partition.

[\*\*sort\*\*](#)

Full sort.

**Notes**

See np.partition for notes on the different algorithms.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([3, 4, 2, 1])
>>> a.partition(3)
>>> a
array([2, 1, 3, 4])
```

```
>>> a.partition((1, 3))
>>> a
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
```

**method**

`recarray.prod(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=False, initial=1, where=True)`

Return the product of the array elements over the given axis

Refer to [numpy.prod](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.prod`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.ptp(axis=None, out=None, keepdims=False)`

Peak to peak (maximum - minimum) value along a given axis.

Refer to [numpy.ptp](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ptp`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.put(indices, values, mode='raise')`

Set `a.flat[n] = values[n]` for all `n` in `indices`.

Refer to [numpy.put](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.put`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.ravel([order])`

Return a flattened array.

Refer to [numpy.ravel](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ravel`](#)

equivalent function

[`ndarray.flat`](#)

a flat iterator on the array.

method

`recarray.repeat(repeats, axis=None)`

Repeat elements of an array.

Refer to [numpy.repeat](#) for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.repeat`

equivalent function

method

`recarray.reshape(shape, order='C')`

Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.

Refer to `numpy.reshape` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.reshape`

equivalent function

## Notes

Unlike the free function `numpy.reshape`, this method on `ndarray` allows the elements of the shape parameter to be passed in as separate arguments. For example, `a.reshape(10, 11)` is equivalent to `a.reshape((10, 11))`.

method

`recarray.resize(new_shape, refcheck=True)`

Change shape and size of array in-place.

### Parameters

`new_shape`

[tuple of ints, or  $n$  ints] Shape of resized array.

`refcheck`

[bool, optional] If False, reference count will not be checked. Default is True.

### Returns

`None`

### Raises

`ValueError`

If  $a$  does not own its own data or references or views to it exist, and the data memory must be changed. PyPy only: will always raise if the data memory must be changed, since there is no reliable way to determine if references or views to it exist.

`SystemError`

If the `order` keyword argument is specified. This behaviour is a bug in NumPy.

**See also:**

`resize`

Return a new array with the specified shape.

## Notes

This reallocates space for the data area if necessary.

Only contiguous arrays (data elements consecutive in memory) can be resized.

The purpose of the reference count check is to make sure you do not use this array as a buffer for another Python object and then reallocate the memory. However, reference counts can increase in other ways so if you are sure that you have not shared the memory for this array with another Python object, then you may safely set `refcheck` to False.

## Examples

Shrinking an array: array is flattened (in the order that the data are stored in memory), resized, and reshaped:

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='C')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [1]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='F')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [2]])
```

Enlarging an array: as above, but missing entries are filled with zeros:

```
>>> b = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]])
>>> b.resize(2, 3) # new_shape parameter doesn't have to be a tuple
>>> b
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 0, 0]])
```

Referencing an array prevents resizing...

```
>>> c = a
>>> a.resize((1, 1))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot resize an array that references or is referenced ...
```

Unless `refcheck` is False:

```
>>> a.resize((1, 1), refcheck=False)
>>> a
array([[0]])
>>> c
array([[0]])
```

method

`recarray.round(decimals=0, out=None)`

Return *a* with each element rounded to the given number of decimals.

Refer to [`numpy.around`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.around`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.searchsorted(v, side='left', sorter=None)`

Find indices where elements of `v` should be inserted in `a` to maintain order.

For full documentation, see [`numpy.searchsorted`](#)

See also:

[`numpy.searchsorted`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.setfield(val, dtype, offset=0)`

Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.

Place `val` into `a`'s field defined by `dtype` and beginning `offset` bytes into the field.

### Parameters

#### `val`

[object] Value to be placed in field.

#### `dtype`

[dtype object] Data-type of the field in which to place `val`.

#### `offset`

[int, optional] The number of bytes into the field at which to place `val`.

### Returns

#### `None`

See also:

[`getfield`](#)

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.eye(3)
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
>>> x.setfield(3, np.int32)
>>> x.getfield(np.int32)
array([[3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3],
```

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```
[3, 3, 3]], dtype=int32)
>>> x
array([[1.0e+000, 1.5e-323, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.0e+000, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.5e-323, 1.0e+000]])
>>> x.setfield(np.eye(3), np.int32)
>>> x
array([[1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 1.]])
```

method

`recarray.setflags (write=None, align=None, uic=None)`

Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.

These Boolean-valued flags affect how numpy interprets the memory area used by *a* (see Notes below). The ALIGNED flag can only be set to True if the data is actually aligned according to the type. The WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag can never be set to True. The flag WRITEABLE can only be set to True if the array owns its own memory, or the ultimate owner of the memory exposes a writeable buffer interface, or is a string. (The exception for string is made so that unpickling can be done without copying memory.)

### Parameters

#### **write**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* can be written to.

#### **align**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is aligned properly for its type.

#### **uic**

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is a copy of another “base” array.

### Notes

Array flags provide information about how the memory area used for the array is to be interpreted. There are 7 Boolean flags in use, only four of which can be changed by the user: WRITEBACKIFCOPY, WRITEABLE, and ALIGNED.

WRITEABLE (W) the data area can be written to;

ALIGNED (A) the data and strides are aligned appropriately for the hardware (as determined by the compiler);

WRITEBACKIFCOPY (X) this array is a copy of some other array (referenced by .base). When the C-API function PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy is called, the base array will be updated with the contents of this array.

All flags can be accessed using the single (upper case) letter as well as the full name.

## Examples

```
>>> y = np.array([[3, 1, 7],
...                 [2, 0, 0],
...                 [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y
array([[3, 1, 7],
       [2, 0, 0],
       [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : True
ALIGNED : True
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(write=0, align=0)
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : False
ALIGNED : False
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(uic=1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: cannot set WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag to True
```

method

`recarray.sort(axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Sort an array in-place. Refer to [numpy.sort](#) for full documentation.

### Parameters

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. Default is -1, which means sort along the last axis.

#### kind

[{‘quicksort’, ‘mergesort’, ‘heapsort’, ‘stable’}, optional] Sorting algorithm. The default is ‘quicksort’. Note that both ‘stable’ and ‘mergesort’ use timsort under the covers and, in general, the actual implementation will vary with datatype. The ‘mergesort’ option is retained for backwards compatibility.

Changed in version 1.15.0: The ‘stable’ option was added.

#### order

[str or list of str, optional] When *a* is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

### See also:

[numpy.sort](#)

Return a sorted copy of an array.

**`numpy.argsort`**

Indirect sort.

**`numpy.lexsort`**

Indirect stable sort on multiple keys.

**`numpy.searchsorted`**

Find elements in sorted array.

**`numpy.partition`**

Partial sort.

## Notes

See `numpy.sort` for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 4], [3, 1]])
>>> a.sort(axis=1)
>>> a
array([[1, 4],
       [1, 3]])
>>> a.sort(axis=0)
>>> a
array([[1, 3],
       [1, 4]])
```

Use the `order` keyword to specify a field to use when sorting a structured array:

```
>>> a = np.array([(b'a', 2), (b'c', 1)], dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', int)])
>>> a.sort(order='y')
>>> a
array([(b'c', 1), (b'a', 2)],
      dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', '<i8')])
```

method

`recarray.squeeze (axis=None)`

Remove axes of length one from *a*.

Refer to `numpy.squeeze` for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.squeeze`**

equivalent function

method

`recarray.std(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=False, *, where=True)`

Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.

Refer to [numpy.std](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.std`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.sum(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=False, initial=0, where=True)`

Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.

Refer to [numpy.sum](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.sum`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.swapaxes(axis1, axis2)`

Return a view of the array with *axis1* and *axis2* interchanged.

Refer to [numpy.swapaxes](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.swapaxes`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.take(indices, axis=None, out=None, mode='raise')`

Return an array formed from the elements of *a* at the given indices.

Refer to [numpy.take](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.take`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.tobytes(order='C')`

Construct Python bytes containing the raw data bytes in the array.

Constructs Python bytes showing a copy of the raw contents of data memory. The bytes object is produced in C-order by default. This behavior is controlled by the `order` parameter.

New in version 1.9.0.

## Parameters

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the bytes object. ‘C’ means C-order, ‘F’ means F-order, ‘A’ (short for *Any*) means ‘F’ if *a* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise. Default is ‘C’.

**Returns****s**

[bytes] Python bytes exhibiting a copy of *a*’s raw data.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], dtype='<u2')
>>> x.tobytes()
b'\x00\x00\x01\x00\x02\x00\x03\x00'
>>> x.tobytes('C') == x.tobytes()
True
>>> x.tobytes('F')
b'\x00\x00\x02\x00\x01\x00\x03\x00'
```

method

`recarray.tofile(fid, sep=”, format=%s”)`

Write array to a file as text or binary (default).

Data is always written in ‘C’ order, independent of the order of *a*. The data produced by this method can be recovered using the function `fromfile()`.

**Parameters****fid**

[file or str or Path] An open file object, or a string containing a filename.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

**sep**

[str] Separator between array items for text output. If “” (empty), a binary file is written, equivalent to `file.write(a.tobytes())`.

**format**

[str] Format string for text file output. Each entry in the array is formatted to text by first converting it to the closest Python type, and then using “format” % item.

**Notes**

This is a convenience function for quick storage of array data. Information on endianness and precision is lost, so this method is not a good choice for files intended to archive data or transport data between machines with different endianness. Some of these problems can be overcome by outputting the data as text files, at the expense of speed and file size.

When *fid* is a file object, array contents are directly written to the file, bypassing the file object’s `write` method. As a result, `tofile` cannot be used with files objects supporting compression (e.g., `GzipFile`) or file-like objects that do not support `fileno()` (e.g., `BytesIO`).

method

### recarray.**tolist**()

Return the array as an `a.ndim`-levels deep nested list of Python scalars.

Return a copy of the array data as a (nested) Python list. Data items are converted to the nearest compatible builtin Python type, via the `item` function.

If `a.ndim` is 0, then since the depth of the nested list is 0, it will not be a list at all, but a simple Python scalar.

#### Parameters

`None`

#### Returns

`y`

[object, or list of object, or list of list of object, or ...] The possibly nested list of array elements.

#### Notes

The array may be recreated via `a = np.array(a.tolist())`, although this may sometimes lose precision.

#### Examples

For a 1D array, `a.tolist()` is almost the same as `list(a)`, except that `tolist` changes numpy scalars to Python scalars:

```
>>> a = np.uint32([1, 2])
>>> a_list = list(a)
>>> a_list
[1, 2]
>>> type(a_list[0])
<class 'numpy.uint32'>
>>> a_to_list = a.tolist()
>>> a_to_list
[1, 2]
>>> type(a_to_list[0])
<class 'int'>
```

Additionally, for a 2D array, `tolist` applies recursively:

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> list(a)
[array([1, 2]), array([3, 4])]
>>> a.tolist()
[[1, 2], [3, 4]]
```

The base case for this recursion is a 0D array:

```
>>> a = np.array(1)
>>> list(a)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: iteration over a 0-d array
>>> a.tolist()
1
```

method

`recarray.tostring(order='C')`

A compatibility alias for `tobytes`, with exactly the same behavior.

Despite its name, it returns *bytes* not `strs`.

Deprecated since version 1.19.0.

method

`recarray.trace(offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the sum along diagonals of the array.

Refer to `numpy.trace` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.trace`

equivalent function

method

`recarray.transpose(*axes)`

Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.

For a 1-D array this has no effect, as a transposed vector is simply the same vector. To convert a 1-D array into a 2D column vector, an additional dimension must be added. `np.atleast2d(a).T` achieves this, as does `a[:, np.newaxis]`. For a 2-D array, this is a standard matrix transpose. For an n-D array, if axes are given, their order indicates how the axes are permuted (see Examples). If axes are not provided and `a.shape = (i[0], i[1], ... i[n-2], i[n-1])`, then `a.transpose().shape = (i[n-1], i[n-2], ... i[1], i[0])`.

### Parameters

#### axes

[None, tuple of ints, or *n* ints]

- None or no argument: reverses the order of the axes.
- tuple of ints: *i* in the *j*-th place in the tuple means *a*'s *i*-th axis becomes *a.transpose()*'s *j*-th axis.
- *n* ints: same as an *n*-tuple of the same ints (this form is intended simply as a “convenience” alternative to the tuple form)

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] View of *a*, with axes suitably permuted.

**See also:**

[`transpose`](#)

Equivalent function

[`ndarray.T`](#)

Array property returning the array transposed.

[`ndarray.reshape`](#)

Give a new shape to an array without changing its data.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> a
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
>>> a.transpose()
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose((1, 0))
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose(1, 0)
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
```

method

`recarray.var` (*axis=None*, *dtype=None*, *out=None*, *ddof=0*, *keepdims=False*, *\**, *where=True*)

Returns the variance of the array elements, along given axis.

Refer to [`numpy.var`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.var`](#)

equivalent function

method

`recarray.view` (*[dtype]* [, *type*])

New view of array with the same data.

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**Note:** Passing `None` for `dtype` is different from omitting the parameter, since the former invokes `dtype(None)` which is an alias for `dtype('float_')`.

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## Parameters

### `dtype`

[data-type or ndarray sub-class, optional] Data-type descriptor of the returned view, e.g., `float32` or `int16`. Omitting it results in the view having the same data-type as *a*. This argument

can also be specified as an ndarray sub-class, which then specifies the type of the returned object (this is equivalent to setting the `type` parameter).

### type

[Python type, optional] Type of the returned view, e.g., ndarray or matrix. Again, omission of the parameter results in type preservation.

## Notes

`a.view()` is used two different ways:

`a.view(some_dtype)` or `a.view(dtype=some_dtype)` constructs a view of the array's memory with a different data-type. This can cause a reinterpretation of the bytes of memory.

`a.view(ndarray_subclass)` or `a.view(type=ndarray_subclass)` just returns an instance of `ndarray_subclass` that looks at the same array (same shape, dtype, etc.) This does not cause a reinterpretation of the memory.

For `a.view(some_dtype)`, if `some_dtype` has a different number of bytes per entry than the previous dtype (for example, converting a regular array to a structured array), then the last axis of `a` must be contiguous. This axis will be resized in the result.

Changed in version 1.23.0: Only the last axis needs to be contiguous. Previously, the entire array had to be C-contiguous.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
```

Viewing array data using a different type and dtype:

```
>>> y = x.view(dtype=np.int16, type=np.matrix)
>>> y
matrix([[513]], dtype=int16)
>>> print(type(y))
<class 'numpy.matrix'>
```

Creating a view on a structured array so it can be used in calculations

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
>>> xv = x.view(dtype=np.int8).reshape(-1,2)
>>> xv
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]], dtype=int8)
>>> xv.mean(0)
array([2., 3.])
```

Making changes to the view changes the underlying array

```
>>> xv[0,1] = 20
>>> x
array([(1, 20), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', 'i1'), ('b', 'i1')])
```

Using a view to convert an array to a recarray:

```
>>> z = x.view(np.recarray)
>>> z.a
array([1, 3], dtype=int8)
```

Views share data:

```
>>> x[0] = (9, 10)
>>> z[0]
(9, 10)
```

Views that change the dtype size (bytes per entry) should normally be avoided on arrays defined by slices, transposes, fortran-ordering, etc.:

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], dtype=np.int16)
>>> y = x[:, ::2]
>>> y
array([[1, 3],
       [4, 6]], dtype=int16)
>>> y.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: To change to a dtype of a different size, the last axis must be contiguous
>>> z = y.copy()
>>> z.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
array([(1, 3),
       (4, 6)], dtype=[('width', '<i2'), ('length', '<i2')])
```

However, views that change dtype are totally fine for arrays with a contiguous last axis, even if the rest of the axes are not C-contiguous:

```
>>> x = np.arange(2 * 3 * 4, dtype=np.int8).reshape(2, 3, 4)
>>> x.transpose(1, 0, 2).view(np.int16)
array([[[ 256,  770],
        [3340, 3854]],
       [[1284, 1798],
        [4368, 4882]],
       [[2312, 2826],
        [5396, 5910]]], dtype=int16)
```

<b>dot</b>	
<b>field</b>	

## class numpy.record

A data-type scalar that allows field access as attribute lookup.

### Attributes

#### T

Scalar attribute identical to the corresponding array attribute.

#### base

base object

**data**

Pointer to start of data.

**dtype**

dtype object

**flags**

integer value of flags

**flat**

A 1-D view of the scalar.

**imag**

The imaginary part of the scalar.

**itemsize**

The length of one element in bytes.

**nbytes**

The length of the scalar in bytes.

**ndim**

The number of array dimensions.

**real**

The real part of the scalar.

**shape**

Tuple of array dimensions.

**size**

The number of elements in the gentype.

**strides**

Tuple of bytes steps in each dimension.

**Methods**

<code>all</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>any</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>argmax</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>argmin</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>argsort</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>astype</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

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<code>byteswap</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>choose</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>clip</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>compress</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>conjugate</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>copy</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>cumprod</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>cumsum</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>diagonal</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>dump</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>dumps</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>fill</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>flatten</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>getfield</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>item</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>itemset</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>max</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>mean</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>min</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>newbyteorder([new_order])</code>	Return a new <code>dtype</code> with a different byte order.
<code>nonzero</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>pprint()</code>	Pretty-print all fields.
<code>prod</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>ptp</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>put</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>ravel</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

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<code>repeat</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>reshape</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>resize</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>round</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>searchsorted</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>setfield</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>setflags</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>sort</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>squeeze</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>std</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>sum</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>swapaxes</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>take</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>tofile</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>tolist</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>tostring</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>trace</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>transpose</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>var</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.
<code>view</code>	Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

method

`record.all()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.all](#).

method

`record.any()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.any](#).

method

`record.argmax()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.argmax](#).

method

`record.argmin()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.argmin](#).

method

`record.argsort()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.argsort](#).

method

`record.astype()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.astype](#).

method

`record.byteswap()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.byteswap](#).

method

`record.choose()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.choose](#).

method

`record.clip()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.clip](#).

method

`record.compress()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.compress](#).

method

`record.conjugate()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.conjugate](#).

method

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```
record.copy()
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Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.copy](#).

method

```
record.cumprod()
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Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.cumprod](#).

method

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record.cumsum()
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Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.cumsum](#).

method

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record.diagonal()
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Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.diagonal](#).

method

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record.dump()
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Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.dump](#).

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record.dumps()
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Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.dumps](#).

method

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record.fill()
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Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.fill](#).

method

```
record.flatten()
```

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.flatten](#).

method

```
record.getfield()
```

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.getfield](#).

method

`record.item()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.item](#).

method

`record.itemset()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.itemset](#).

method

`record.max()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.max](#).

method

`record.mean()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.mean](#).

method

`record.min()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.min](#).

method

`record.newbyteorder(new_order='S', /)`  
Return a new `dtype` with a different byte order.

Changes are also made in all fields and sub-arrays of the data type.

The `new_order` code can be any from the following:

- ‘S’ - swap dtype from current to opposite endian
- {‘<’, ‘little’} - little endian
- {‘>’, ‘big’} - big endian
- {‘=’, ‘native’} - native order
- {‘!’, ‘T’} - ignore (no change to byte order)

## Parameters

### `new_order`

[str, optional] Byte order to force; a value from the byte order specifications above. The default value (‘S’) results in swapping the current byte order.

## Returns

### `new_dtype`

[`dtype`] New `dtype` object with the given change to the byte order.

method

`record.nonzero()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.nonzero](#).

method

`record pprint()`

Pretty-print all fields.

method

`record.prod()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.prod](#).

method

`record.ptp()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.ptp](#).

method

`record.put()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.put](#).

method

`record.ravel()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.ravel](#).

method

`record.repeat()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.repeat](#).

method

`record.reshape()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.reshape](#).

method

`record.resize()`

Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.resize](#).

method

`record.round()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.round](#).

method

`record.searchsorted()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.searchsorted](#).

method

`record.setfield()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.setfield](#).

method

`record.setflags()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.setflags](#).

method

`record.sort()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.sort](#).

method

`record.squeeze()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.squeeze](#).

method

`record.std()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.std](#).

method

`record.sum()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.sum](#).

method

`record.swapaxes()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [ndarray.swapaxes](#).

method

`record.take()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [`ndarray.take`](#).

method

`record.tofile()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [`ndarray.tofile`](#).

method

`record.tolist()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [`ndarray.tolist`](#).

method

`record.tostring()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [`ndarray.tostring`](#).

method

`record.trace()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [`ndarray.trace`](#).

method

`record.transpose()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [`ndarray.transpose`](#).

method

`record.var()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [`ndarray.var`](#).

method

`record.view()`  
Scalar method identical to the corresponding array attribute.

Please see [`ndarray.view`](#).

<code>conj</code>	
<code>tobytes</code>	

## 1.6.6 Masked arrays (`numpy.ma`)

See also:

[Masked arrays](#)

## 1.6.7 Standard container class

For backward compatibility and as a standard “container” class, the `UserArray` from Numeric has been brought over to NumPy and named `numpy.lib.user_array.container`. The container class is a Python class whose `self.array` attribute is an `ndarray`. Multiple inheritance is probably easier with `numpy.lib.user_array.container` than with the `ndarray` itself and so it is included by default. It is not documented here beyond mentioning its existence because you are encouraged to use the `ndarray` class directly if you can.

---

`numpy.lib.user_array.container(data[, ...])` Standard container-class for easy multiple-inheritance.

---

`class numpy.lib.user_array.container(data, dtype=None, copy=True)`

Standard container-class for easy multiple-inheritance.

### Methods

<code>copy</code>	
<code>tostring</code>	
<code>byteswap</code>	
<code>astype</code>	

## 1.6.8 Array Iterators

Iterators are a powerful concept for array processing. Essentially, iterators implement a generalized for-loop. If `myiter` is an iterator object, then the Python code:

```
for val in myiter:
    ...
    some code involving val
    ...
```

calls `val = next(myiter)` repeatedly until `StopIteration` is raised by the iterator. There are several ways to iterate over an array that may be useful: default iteration, flat iteration, and  $N$ -dimensional enumeration.

### Default iteration

The default iterator of an `ndarray` object is the default Python iterator of a sequence type. Thus, when the array object itself is used as an iterator. The default behavior is equivalent to:

```
for i in range(arr.shape[0]):
    val = arr[i]
```

This default iterator selects a sub-array of dimension  $N - 1$  from the array. This can be a useful construct for defining recursive algorithms. To loop over the entire array requires  $N$  for-loops.

```
>>> a = np.arange(24).reshape(3,2,4)+10
>>> for val in a:
...     print('item:', val)
item: [[10 11 12 13]
 [14 15 16 17]]
item: [[18 19 20 21]
 [22 23 24 25]]
item: [[26 27 28 29]
 [30 31 32 33]]
```

## Flat iteration

---

`ndarray.flat`

A 1-D iterator over the array.

---

As mentioned previously, the `flat` attribute of `ndarray` objects returns an iterator that will cycle over the entire array in C-style contiguous order.

```
>>> for i, val in enumerate(a.flat):
...     if i%5 == 0: print(i, val)
0 10
5 15
10 20
15 25
20 30
```

Here, I've used the built-in `enumerate` iterator to return the iterator index as well as the value.

## N-dimensional enumeration

---

`ndenumerate(arr)`

Multidimensional index iterator.

---

Sometimes it may be useful to get the N-dimensional index while iterating. The `ndenumerate` iterator can achieve this.

```
>>> for i, val in np.ndenumerate(a):
...     if sum(i)%5 == 0: print(i, val)
(0, 0, 0) 10
(1, 1, 3) 25
(2, 0, 3) 29
(2, 1, 2) 32
```

## Iterator for broadcasting

---

`broadcast`

Produce an object that mimics broadcasting.

---

`class numpy.broadcast`

Produce an object that mimics broadcasting.

### Parameters

**in1, in2, ...**

[array\_like] Input parameters.

**Returns****b**

[broadcast object] Broadcast the input parameters against one another, and return an object that encapsulates the result. Amongst others, it has `shape` and `nd` properties, and may be used as an iterator.

**See also:**

[`broadcast\_arrays`](#)  
[`broadcast\_to`](#)  
[`broadcast\_shapes`](#)

**Examples**

Manually adding two vectors, using broadcasting:

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2], [3]])
>>> y = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> b = np.broadcast(x, y)
```

```
>>> out = np.empty(b.shape)
>>> out.flat = [u+v for (u,v) in b]
>>> out
array([[5.,  6.,  7.],
       [6.,  7.,  8.],
       [7.,  8.,  9.]])
```

Compare against built-in broadcasting:

```
>>> x + y
array([[5, 6, 7],
       [6, 7, 8],
       [7, 8, 9]])
```

**Attributes****index**

current index in broadcasted result

**iters**

tuple of iterators along `self`'s “components.”

**nd**

Number of dimensions of broadcasted result.

**ndim**

Number of dimensions of broadcasted result.

**numiter**

Number of iterators possessed by the broadcasted result.

**shape**

Shape of broadcasted result.

**size**

Total size of broadcasted result.

**Methods*****reset()***

Reset the broadcasted result's iterator(s).

**method****broadcast.reset()**

Reset the broadcasted result's iterator(s).

**Parameters**

**None**

**Returns**

**None**

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> y = np.array([[4], [5], [6]])
>>> b = np.broadcast(x, y)
>>> b.index
0
>>> next(b), next(b), next(b)
((1, 4), (2, 4), (3, 4))
>>> b.index
3
>>> b.reset()
>>> b.index
0
```

The general concept of broadcasting is also available from Python using the `broadcast` iterator. This object takes  $N$  objects as inputs and returns an iterator that returns tuples providing each of the input sequence elements in the broadcasted result.

```
>>> for val in np.broadcast([[1, 0], [2, 3]], [0, 1]):
...     print(val)
(1, 0)
(0, 1)
(2, 0)
(3, 1)
```

## 1.7 Masked arrays

Masked arrays are arrays that may have missing or invalid entries. The `numpy.ma` module provides a nearly work-alike replacement for numpy that supports data arrays with masks.

### 1.7.1 The `numpy.ma` module

#### Rationale

Masked arrays are arrays that may have missing or invalid entries. The `numpy.ma` module provides a nearly work-alike replacement for numpy that supports data arrays with masks.

#### What is a masked array?

In many circumstances, datasets can be incomplete or tainted by the presence of invalid data. For example, a sensor may have failed to record a data, or recorded an invalid value. The `numpy.ma` module provides a convenient way to address this issue, by introducing masked arrays.

A masked array is the combination of a standard `numpy.ndarray` and a mask. A mask is either `nomask`, indicating that no value of the associated array is invalid, or an array of booleans that determines for each element of the associated array whether the value is valid or not. When an element of the mask is `False`, the corresponding element of the associated array is valid and is said to be unmasked. When an element of the mask is `True`, the corresponding element of the associated array is said to be masked (invalid).

The package ensures that masked entries are not used in computations.

As an illustration, let's consider the following dataset:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3, -1, 5])
```

We wish to mark the fourth entry as invalid. The easiest is to create a masked array:

```
>>> mx = ma.masked_array(x, mask=[0, 0, 0, 1, 0])
```

We can now compute the mean of the dataset, without taking the invalid data into account:

```
>>> mx.mean()
2.75
```

#### The `numpy.ma` module

The main feature of the `numpy.ma` module is the `MaskedArray` class, which is a subclass of `numpy.ndarray`. The class, its attributes and methods are described in more details in the `MaskedArray class` section.

The `numpy.ma` module can be used as an addition to `numpy`:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
```

To create an array with the second element invalid, we would do:

```
>>> y = ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask = [0, 1, 0])
```

To create a masked array where all values close to 1.e20 are invalid, we would do:

```
>>> z = ma.masked_values([1.0, 1.e20, 3.0, 4.0], 1.e20)
```

For a complete discussion of creation methods for masked arrays please see section [Constructing masked arrays](#).

## 1.7.2 Using numpy.ma

### Constructing masked arrays

There are several ways to construct a masked array.

- A first possibility is to directly invoke the `MaskedArray` class.
- A second possibility is to use the two masked array constructors, `array` and `masked_array`.

<code>array(data[, dtype, copy, order, mask, ...])</code>	An array class with possibly masked values.
<code>masked_array</code>	alias of <code>numpy.ma.core.MaskedArray</code>

```
ma.array(data, dtype=None, copy=False, order=None, mask=False, fill_value=None, keep_mask=True,
         hard_mask=False, shrink=True, subok=True, ndmin=0)
```

An array class with possibly masked values.

Masked values of True exclude the corresponding element from any computation.

Construction:

```
x = MaskedArray(data, mask=nomask, dtype=None, copy=False, subok=True,
                 ndmin=0, fill_value=None, keep_mask=True, hard_mask=None,
                 shrink=True, order=None)
```

#### Parameters

##### `data`

[array\_like] Input data.

##### `mask`

[sequence, optional] Mask. Must be convertible to an array of booleans with the same shape as `data`. True indicates a masked (i.e. invalid) data.

##### `dtype`

[dtype, optional] Data type of the output. If `dtype` is None, the type of the data argument (`data.dtype`) is used. If `dtype` is not None and different from `data.dtype`, a copy is performed.

##### `copy`

[bool, optional] Whether to copy the input data (True), or to use a reference instead. Default is False.

**subok**

[bool, optional] Whether to return a subclass of `MaskedArray` if possible (True) or a plain `MaskedArray`. Default is True.

**ndmin**

[int, optional] Minimum number of dimensions. Default is 0.

**fill\_value**

[scalar, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values when necessary. If None, a default based on the data-type is used.

**keep\_mask**

[bool, optional] Whether to combine `mask` with the mask of the input data, if any (True), or to use only `mask` for the output (False). Default is True.

**hard\_mask**

[bool, optional] Whether to use a hard mask or not. With a hard mask, masked values cannot be unmasked. Default is False.

**shrink**

[bool, optional] Whether to force compression of an empty mask. Default is True.

**order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A'}, optional] Specify the order of the array. If order is 'C', then the array will be in C-contiguous order (last-index varies the fastest). If order is 'F', then the returned array will be in Fortran-contiguous order (first-index varies the fastest). If order is 'A' (default), then the returned array may be in any order (either C-, Fortran-contiguous, or even discontiguous), unless a copy is required, in which case it will be C-contiguous.

## Examples

The mask can be initialized with an array of boolean values with the same shape as `data`.

```
>>> data = np.arange(6).reshape((2, 3))
>>> np.ma.MaskedArray(data, mask=[[False, True, False],
...                               [False, False, True]])
masked_array(
  data=[[0, --, 2],
        [3, 4, --]],
  mask=[[False, True, False],
        [False, False, True]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

Alternatively, the mask can be initialized to homogeneous boolean array with the same shape as `data` by passing in a scalar boolean value:

```
>>> np.ma.MaskedArray(data, mask=False)
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 1, 2],
        [3, 4, 5]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [False, False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> np.ma.MaskedArray(data, mask=True)
masked_array(
  data=[[--, --, --],
        [--, --, --]],
  mask=[[ True,  True,  True],
        [ True,  True,  True]],
  fill_value=999999,
  dtype=int64)
```

**Note:** The recommended practice for initializing `mask` with a scalar boolean value is to use `True/False` rather than `np.True_/np.False_`. The reason is `nomask` is represented internally as `np.False_`.

```
>>> np.False_ is np.ma.nomask
True
```

### numpy.ma.masked\_array

alias of `numpy.ma.core.MaskedArray`

- A third option is to take the view of an existing array. In that case, the mask of the view is set to `nomask` if the array has no named fields, or an array of boolean with the same structure as the array otherwise.

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> x.view(ma.MaskedArray)
masked_array(data=[1, 2, 3],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999)
>>> x = np.array([(1, 1.), (2, 2.)], dtype=[('a',int), ('b', float)])
>>> x.view(ma.MaskedArray)
masked_array(data=[(1, 1.0), (2, 2.0)],
             mask=[(False, False), (False, False)],
             fill_value=(999999, 1.e+20),
             dtype=[('a', '<i8'), ('b', '<f8')])
```

- Yet another possibility is to use any of the following functions:

<code>asarray(a[, dtype, order])</code>	Convert the input to a masked array of the given data-type.
<code>asanyarray(a[, dtype])</code>	Convert the input to a masked array, conserving subclasses.
<code>fix_invalid(a[, mask, copy, fill_value])</code>	Return input with invalid data masked and replaced by a fill value.
<code>masked_equal(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where equal to a given value.
<code>masked_greater(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where greater than a given value.
<code>masked_greater_equal(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where greater than or equal to a given value.
<code>masked_inside(x, v1, v2[, copy])</code>	Mask an array inside a given interval.
<code>masked_invalid(a[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where invalid values occur (NaNs or infs).
<code>masked_less(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where less than a given value.
<code>masked_less_equal(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where less than or equal to a given value.
<code>masked_not_equal(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where <i>not</i> equal to a given value.
<code>masked_object(x, value[, copy, shrink])</code>	Mask the array <i>x</i> where the data are exactly equal to value.
<code>masked_outside(x, v1, v2[, copy])</code>	Mask an array outside a given interval.
<code>masked_values(x, value[, rtol, atol, copy, ...])</code>	Mask using floating point equality.
<code>masked_where(condition, a[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where a condition is met.

**ma.asarray (*a*, *dtype=None*, *order=None*)**

Convert the input to a masked array of the given data-type.

No copy is performed if the input is already an `ndarray`. If *a* is a subclass of `MaskedArray`, a base class `MaskedArray` is returned.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input data, in any form that can be converted to a masked array. This includes lists, lists of tuples, tuples, tuples of tuples, tuples of lists, ndarrays and masked arrays.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] By default, the data-type is inferred from the input data.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Whether to use row-major ('C') or column-major ('FORTRAN') memory representation. Default is 'C'.

**Returns****out**

[MaskedArray] Masked array interpretation of *a*.

**See also:****asanyarray**

Similar to `asarray`, but conserves subclasses.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(10.).reshape(2, 5)
>>> x
array([[0., 1., 2., 3., 4.],
       [5., 6., 7., 8., 9.]])
>>> np.ma.asarray(x)
masked_array(
  data=[[0., 1., 2., 3., 4.],
        [5., 6., 7., 8., 9.]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=1e+20)
>>> type(np.ma.asarray(x))
<class 'numpy.ma.core.MaskedArray'>
```

`ma.asanyarray(a, dtype=None)`

Convert the input to a masked array, conserving subclasses.

If *a* is a subclass of `MaskedArray`, its class is conserved. No copy is performed if the input is already an `ndarray`.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input data, in any form that can be converted to an array.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional] By default, the data-type is inferred from the input data.

#### order

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Whether to use row-major ('C') or column-major ('FORTRAN') memory representation. Default is 'C'.

### Returns

#### out

[MaskedArray] MaskedArray interpretation of *a*.

### See also:

#### `asarray`

Similar to `asanyarray`, but does not conserve subclass.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(10.).reshape(2, 5)
>>> x
array([[0., 1., 2., 3., 4.],
       [5., 6., 7., 8., 9.]])
>>> np.ma.asanyarray(x)
masked_array(
  data=[[0., 1., 2., 3., 4.],
        [5., 6., 7., 8., 9.]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=1e+20)
```

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```

mask=False,
fill_value=1e+20)
>>> type(np.ma.asarray(x))
<class 'numpy.ma.core.MaskedArray'>

```

`ma.fix_invalid(a, mask=False, copy=True, fill_value=None)`

Return input with invalid data masked and replaced by a fill value.

Invalid data means values of `nan`, `inf`, etc.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array, a (subclass of) ndarray.

#### mask

[sequence, optional] Mask. Must be convertible to an array of booleans with the same shape as `data`. True indicates a masked (i.e. invalid) data.

#### copy

[bool, optional] Whether to use a copy of `a` (True) or to fix `a` in place (False). Default is True.

#### fill\_value

[scalar, optional] Value used for fixing invalid data. Default is None, in which case the `a.fill_value` is used.

### Returns

#### b

[MaskedArray] The input array with invalid entries fixed.

### Notes

A copy is performed by default.

### Examples

```

>>> x = np.ma.array([1., -1, np.nan, np.inf], mask=[1] + [0]*3)
>>> x
masked_array(data=[--, -1.0, nan, inf],
             mask=[ True, False, False, False],
             fill_value=1e+20)
>>> np.ma.fix_invalid(x)
masked_array(data=[--, -1.0, --, --],
             mask=[ True, False,  True,  True],
             fill_value=1e+20)

```

```
>>> fixed = np.ma.fix_invalid(x)
>>> fixed.data
array([ 1.e+00, -1.e+00,  1.e+20,  1.e+20])
>>> x.data
array([ 1., -1., nan, inf])
```

`ma.masked_equal(x, value, copy=True)`

Mask an array where equal to a given value.

This function is a shortcut to `masked_where`, with `condition = (x == value)`. For floating point arrays, consider using `masked_values(x, value)`.

See also:

[`masked\_where`](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

[`masked\_values`](#)

Mask using floating point equality.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> ma.masked_equal(a, 2)
masked_array(data=[0, 1, --, 3],
             mask=[False, False, True, False],
             fill_value=2)
```

`ma.masked_greater(x, value, copy=True)`

Mask an array where greater than a given value.

This function is a shortcut to `masked_where`, with `condition = (x > value)`.

See also:

[`masked\_where`](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> ma.masked_greater(a, 2)
masked_array(data=[0, 1, 2, --],
             mask=[False, False, False, True],
             fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.masked_greater_equal(x, value, copy=True)`

Mask an array where greater than or equal to a given value.

This function is a shortcut to `masked_where`, with `condition = (x >= value)`.

See also:

[`masked\_where`](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> ma.masked_greater_equal(a, 2)
masked_array(data=[0, 1, --, --],
             mask=[False, False,  True,  True],
             fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.masked_inside(x, v1, v2, copy=True)`

Mask an array inside a given interval.

Shortcut to `masked_where`, where `condition` is True for  $x$  inside the interval  $[v1, v2]$  ( $v1 \leq x \leq v2$ ). The boundaries  $v1$  and  $v2$  can be given in either order.

See also:

[`masked\_where`](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

## Notes

The array  $x$  is prefilled with its filling value.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = [0.31, 1.2, 0.01, 0.2, -0.4, -1.1]
>>> ma.masked_inside(x, -0.3, 0.3)
masked_array(data=[0.31, 1.2, --, --, -0.4, -1.1],
             mask=[False, False,  True,  True, False, False],
             fill_value=1e+20)
```

The order of  $v1$  and  $v2$  doesn't matter.

```
>>> ma.masked_inside(x, 0.3, -0.3)
masked_array(data=[0.31, 1.2, --, --, -0.4, -1.1],
             mask=[False, False,  True,  True, False, False],
             fill_value=1e+20)
```

`ma.masked_invalid(a, copy=True)`

Mask an array where invalid values occur (NaNs or infs).

This function is a shortcut to `masked_where`, with `condition = ~np.isfinite(a)`. Any pre-existing mask is conserved. Only applies to arrays with a dtype where NaNs or infs make sense (i.e. floating point types), but accepts any array\_like object.

See also:

[`masked\_where`](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(5, dtype=float)
>>> a[2] = np.NaN
>>> a[3] = np.PINF
>>> a
array([ 0.,  1., nan, inf,  4.])
>>> ma.masked_invalid(a)
masked_array(data=[0.0, 1.0, --, --, 4.0],
             mask=[False, False, True, True, False],
             fill_value=1e+20)
```

`ma.masked_less(x, value, copy=True)`

Mask an array where less than a given value.

This function is a shortcut to `masked_where`, with `condition = (x < value)`.

See also:

[`masked\_where`](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> ma.masked_less(a, 2)
masked_array(data=[--, --, 2, 3],
             mask=[ True,  True, False, False],
             fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.masked_less_equal(x, value, copy=True)`

Mask an array where less than or equal to a given value.

This function is a shortcut to `masked_where`, with `condition = (x <= value)`.

See also:

***masked\_where***

Mask where a condition is met.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> ma.masked_less_equal(a, 2)
masked_array(data=[--, --, --, 3],
             mask=[ True,  True,  True, False],
             fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.masked_not_equal(x, value, copy=True)`

Mask an array where *not* equal to a given value.

This function is a shortcut to `masked_where`, with *condition* = (`x != value`).

**See also:**

***masked\_where***

Mask where a condition is met.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> ma.masked_not_equal(a, 2)
masked_array(data=[--, --, 2, --],
             mask=[ True,  True, False,  True],
             fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.masked_object(x, value, copy=True, shrink=True)`

Mask the array *x* where the data are exactly equal to *value*.

This function is similar to `masked_values`, but only suitable for object arrays: for floating point, use `masked_values` instead.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Array to mask

**value**

[object] Comparison value

**copy**

[{True, False}, optional] Whether to return a copy of *x*.

**shrink**

[{True, False}, optional] Whether to collapse a mask full of False to nomask

**Returns****result**

[MaskedArray] The result of masking *x* where equal to *value*.

**See also:**

***masked\_where***

Mask where a condition is met.

***masked\_equal***

Mask where equal to a given value (integers).

***masked\_values***

Mask using floating point equality.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> food = np.array(['green_eggs', 'ham'], dtype=object)
>>> # don't eat spoiled food
>>> eat = ma.masked_object(food, 'green_eggs')
>>> eat
masked_array(data=[--, 'ham'],
              mask=[ True, False],
              fill_value='green_eggs',
              dtype=object)
>>> # plain ol' ham is boring
>>> fresh_food = np.array(['cheese', 'ham', 'pineapple'], dtype=object)
>>> eat = ma.masked_object(fresh_food, 'green_eggs')
>>> eat
masked_array(data=['cheese', 'ham', 'pineapple'],
              mask=False,
              fill_value='green_eggs',
              dtype=object)
```

Note that *mask* is set to nomask if possible.

```
>>> eat
masked_array(data=['cheese', 'ham', 'pineapple'],
              mask=False,
              fill_value='green_eggs',
              dtype=object)
```

**ma.*masked\_outside*(*x*, *v1*, *v2*, *copy=True*)**

Mask an array outside a given interval.

Shortcut to *masked\_where*, where *condition* is True for *x* outside the interval [v1,v2] (*x < v1*)|(*x > v2*). The boundaries *v1* and *v2* can be given in either order.

**See also:**

**`masked_where`**

Mask where a condition is met.

**Notes**

The array *x* is prefilled with its filling value.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = [0.31, 1.2, 0.01, 0.2, -0.4, -1.1]
>>> ma.masked_outside(x, -0.3, 0.3)
masked_array(data=[--, --, 0.01, 0.2, --, --],
             mask=[ True,  True, False, False,  True,  True],
             fill_value=1e+20)
```

The order of *v1* and *v2* doesn't matter.

```
>>> ma.masked_outside(x, 0.3, -0.3)
masked_array(data=[--, --, 0.01, 0.2, --, --],
             mask=[ True,  True, False, False,  True,  True],
             fill_value=1e+20)
```

`ma.masked_values`(*x*, *value*, *rtol*= $1e-05$ , *atol*= $1e-08$ , *copy*=*True*, *shrink*=*True*)

Mask using floating point equality.

Return a MaskedArray, masked where the data in array *x* are approximately equal to *value*, determined using `isclose`. The default tolerances for `masked_values` are the same as those for `isclose`.

For integer types, exact equality is used, in the same way as `masked_equal`.

The fill\_value is set to *value* and the mask is set to nomask if possible.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Array to mask.

**value**

[float] Masking value.

**rtol, atol**

[float, optional] Tolerance parameters passed on to `isclose`

**copy**

[bool, optional] Whether to return a copy of *x*.

**shrink**

[bool, optional] Whether to collapse a mask full of False to nomask.

**Returns****result**

[MaskedArray] The result of masking *x* where approximately equal to *value*.

See also:

[`masked\_where`](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

[`masked\_equal`](#)

Mask where equal to a given value (integers).

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = np.array([1, 1.1, 2, 1.1, 3])
>>> ma.masked_values(x, 1.1)
masked_array(data=[1.0, --, 2.0, --, 3.0],
             mask=[False, True, False, True, False],
             fill_value=1.1)
```

Note that `mask` is set to `nomask` if possible.

```
>>> ma.masked_values(x, 1.5)
masked_array(data=[1. , 1.1, 2. , 1.1, 3. ],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=1.5)
```

For integers, the fill value will be different in general to the result of `masked_equal`.

```
>>> x = np.arange(5)
>>> x
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> ma.masked_values(x, 2)
masked_array(data=[0, 1, --, 3, 4],
             mask=[False, False, True, False, False],
             fill_value=2)
>>> ma.masked_equal(x, 2)
masked_array(data=[0, 1, --, 3, 4],
             mask=[False, False, True, False, False],
             fill_value=2)
```

### `ma.masked_where(condition, a, copy=True)`

Mask an array where a condition is met.

Return `a` as an array masked where `condition` is True. Any masked values of `a` or `condition` are also masked in the output.

#### Parameters

##### **condition**

[array\_like] Masking condition. When `condition` tests floating point values for equality, consider using `masked_values` instead.

##### **a**

[array\_like] Array to mask.

##### **copy**

[bool] If True (default) make a copy of  $a$  in the result. If False modify  $a$  in place and return a view.

## Returns

### result

[MaskedArray] The result of masking  $a$  where  $condition$  is True.

See also:

#### `masked_values`

Mask using floating point equality.

#### `masked_equal`

Mask where equal to a given value.

#### `masked_not_equal`

Mask where *not* equal to a given value.

#### `masked_less_equal`

Mask where less than or equal to a given value.

#### `masked_greater_equal`

Mask where greater than or equal to a given value.

#### `masked_less`

Mask where less than a given value.

#### `masked_greater`

Mask where greater than a given value.

#### `masked_inside`

Mask inside a given interval.

#### `masked_outside`

Mask outside a given interval.

#### `masked_invalid`

Mask invalid values (NaNs or infs).

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> ma.masked_where(a <= 2, a)
masked_array(data=[--, --, --, 3],
             mask=[ True,  True,  True, False],
             fill_value=999999)
```

Mask array  $b$  conditional on  $a$ .

```
>>> b = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd']
>>> ma.masked_where(a == 2, b)
masked_array(data=['a', 'b', --, 'd'],
             mask=[False, False, True, False],
             fill_value='N/A',
             dtype='<U1')
```

Effect of the `copy` argument.

```
>>> c = ma.masked_where(a <= 2, a)
>>> c
masked_array(data=[--, --, --, 3],
             mask=[ True,  True,  True, False],
             fill_value=999999)
>>> c[0] = 99
>>> c
masked_array(data=[99, --, --, 3],
             mask=[False,  True,  True, False],
             fill_value=999999)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> c = ma.masked_where(a <= 2, a, copy=False)
>>> c[0] = 99
>>> c
masked_array(data=[99, --, --, 3],
             mask=[False,  True,  True, False],
             fill_value=999999)
>>> a
array([99,  1,  2,  3])
```

When `condition` or `a` contain masked values.

```
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> a = ma.masked_where(a == 2, a)
>>> a
masked_array(data=[0, 1, --, 3],
             mask=[False, False, True, False],
             fill_value=999999)
>>> b = np.arange(4)
>>> b = ma.masked_where(b == 0, b)
>>> b
masked_array(data=[--, 1, 2, 3],
             mask=[ True, False, False, False],
             fill_value=999999)
>>> ma.masked_where(a == 3, b)
masked_array(data=[--, 1, --, --],
             mask=[ True, False, True, True],
             fill_value=999999)
```

## Accessing the data

The underlying data of a masked array can be accessed in several ways:

- through the `data` attribute. The output is a view of the array as a `numpy.ndarray` or one of its subclasses, depending on the type of the underlying data at the masked array creation.
- through the `__array__` method. The output is then a `numpy.ndarray`.
- by directly taking a view of the masked array as a `numpy.ndarray` or one of its subclass (which is actually what using the `data` attribute does).
- by using the `getdata` function.

None of these methods is completely satisfactory if some entries have been marked as invalid. As a general rule, where a representation of the array is required without any masked entries, it is recommended to fill the array with the `filled` method.

## Accessing the mask

The mask of a masked array is accessible through its `mask` attribute. We must keep in mind that a `True` entry in the mask indicates an *invalid* data.

Another possibility is to use the `getmask` and `getmaskarray` functions. `getmask(x)` outputs the mask of `x` if `x` is a masked array, and the special value `nomask` otherwise. `getmaskarray(x)` outputs the mask of `x` if `x` is a masked array. If `x` has no invalid entry or is not a masked array, the function outputs a boolean array of `False` with as many elements as `x`.

## Accessing only the valid entries

To retrieve only the valid entries, we can use the inverse of the mask as an index. The inverse of the mask can be calculated with the `numpy.logical_not` function or simply with the `~` operator:

```
>>> x = ma.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]], mask=[[0, 1], [1, 0]])
>>> x[~x.mask]
masked_array(data=[1, 4],
              mask=[False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

Another way to retrieve the valid data is to use the `compressed` method, which returns a one-dimensional `ndarray` (or one of its subclasses, depending on the value of the `baseclass` attribute):

```
>>> x.compressed()
array([1, 4])
```

Note that the output of `compressed` is always 1D.

## Modifying the mask

### Masking an entry

The recommended way to mark one or several specific entries of a masked array as invalid is to assign the special value `masked` to them:

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> x[0] = ma.masked
>>> x
masked_array(data=[--, 2, 3],
              mask=[ True, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> y = ma.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
>>> y[(0, 1, 2), (1, 2, 0)] = ma.masked
>>> y
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [4, 5, --],
        [--, 8, 9]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [False, False,  True],
        [ True, False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> z = ma.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> z[:-2] = ma.masked
>>> z
masked_array(data=[--, --, 3, 4],
              mask=[ True,  True, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

A second possibility is to modify the `mask` directly, but this usage is discouraged.

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**Note:** When creating a new masked array with a simple, non-structured datatype, the mask is initially set to the special value `nomask`, that corresponds roughly to the boolean `False`. Trying to set an element of `nomask` will fail with a `TypeError` exception, as a boolean does not support item assignment.

---

All the entries of an array can be masked at once by assigning `True` to the mask:

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> x.mask = True
>>> x
masked_array(data=[--, --, --],
              mask=[ True,  True,  True],
              fill_value=999999,
              dtype=int64)
```

Finally, specific entries can be masked and/or unmasked by assigning to the mask a sequence of booleans:

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> x.mask = [0, 1, 0]
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, --, 3],
              mask=[False,  True, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

## Unmasking an entry

To unmask one or several specific entries, we can just assign one or several new valid values to them:

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, 2, --],
              mask=[False, False, True],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> x[-1] = 5
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, 2, 5],
              mask=[False, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

---

**Note:** Unmasking an entry by direct assignment will silently fail if the masked array has a *hard* mask, as shown by the `hardmask` attribute. This feature was introduced to prevent overwriting the mask. To force the unmasking of an entry where the array has a hard mask, the mask must first be softened using the `soften_mask` method before the allocation. It can be re-hardened with `harden_mask`:

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask=[0, 0, 1], hard_mask=True)
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, 2, --],
              mask=[False, False, True],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> x[-1] = 5
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, 2, --],
              mask=[False, False, True],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> x.soften_mask()
masked_array(data=[1, 2, --],
              mask=[False, False, True],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> x[-1] = 5
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, 2, 5],
              mask=[False, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> x.harden_mask()
masked_array(data=[1, 2, 5],
              mask=[False, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

---

To unmask all masked entries of a masked array (provided the mask isn't a hard mask), the simplest solution is to assign the constant `nomask` to the mask:

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, 2, --],
              mask=[False, False, True],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> x.mask = ma.nomask
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, 2, 3],
              mask=[False, False, False],
```

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```
fill_value=999999)
```

## Indexing and slicing

As a *MaskedArray* is a subclass of *numpy.ndarray*, it inherits its mechanisms for indexing and slicing.

When accessing a single entry of a masked array with no named fields, the output is either a scalar (if the corresponding entry of the mask is `False`) or the special value *masked* (if the corresponding entry of the mask is `True`):

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> x[0]
1
>>> x[-1]
masked
>>> x[-1] is ma.masked
True
```

If the masked array has named fields, accessing a single entry returns a *numpy void* object if none of the fields are masked, or a 0d masked array with the same dtype as the initial array if at least one of the fields is masked.

```
>>> y = ma.masked_array([(1,2), (3, 4)],
...                      mask=[(0, 0), (0, 1)],
...                      dtype=[('a', int), ('b', int)])
>>> y[0]
(1, 2)
>>> y[-1]
(3, --)
```

When accessing a slice, the output is a masked array whose *data* attribute is a view of the original data, and whose mask is either *nomask* (if there was no invalid entries in the original array) or a view of the corresponding slice of the original mask. The view is required to ensure propagation of any modification of the mask to the original.

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5], mask=[0, 1, 0, 0, 1])
>>> mx = x[:3]
>>> mx
masked_array(data=[1, --, 3],
              mask=[False, True, False],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> mx[1] = -1
>>> mx
masked_array(data=[1, -1, 3],
              mask=[False, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> x.mask
array([False, False, False, False, True])
>>> x.data
array([ 1, -1,  3,  4,  5])
```

Accessing a field of a masked array with structured datatype returns a *MaskedArray*.

## Operations on masked arrays

Arithmetic and comparison operations are supported by masked arrays. As much as possible, invalid entries of a masked array are not processed, meaning that the corresponding `data` entries *should* be the same before and after the operation.

**Warning:** We need to stress that this behavior may not be systematic, that masked data may be affected by the operation in some cases and therefore users should not rely on this data remaining unchanged.

The `numpy.ma` module comes with a specific implementation of most ufuncs. Unary and binary functions that have a validity domain (such as `log` or `divide`) return the `masked` constant whenever the input is masked or falls outside the validity domain:

```
>>> ma.log([-1, 0, 1, 2])
masked_array(data=[--, --, 0.0, 0.6931471805599453],
             mask=[ True,  True, False, False],
             fill_value=1e+20)
```

Masked arrays also support standard numpy ufuncs. The output is then a masked array. The result of a unary ufunc is masked wherever the input is masked. The result of a binary ufunc is masked wherever any of the input is masked. If the ufunc also returns the optional context output (a 3-element tuple containing the name of the ufunc, its arguments and its domain), the context is processed and entries of the output masked array are masked wherever the corresponding input fall outside the validity domain:

```
>>> x = ma.array([-1, 1, 0, 2, 3], mask=[0, 0, 0, 0, 1])
>>> np.log(x)
masked_array(data=[--, 0.0, --, 0.6931471805599453, --],
             mask=[ True, False,  True, False,  True],
             fill_value=1e+20)
```

### 1.7.3 Examples

#### Data with a given value representing missing data

Let's consider a list of elements, `x`, where values of -9999. represent missing data. We wish to compute the average value of the data and the vector of anomalies (deviations from the average):

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = [0., 1., -9999., 3., 4.]
>>> mx = ma.masked_values(x, -9999.)
>>> print(mx.mean())
2.0
>>> print(mx - mx.mean())
[-2.0 -1.0 -- 1.0 2.0]
>>> print(mx.anom())
[-2.0 -1.0 -- 1.0 2.0]
```

## Filling in the missing data

Suppose now that we wish to print that same data, but with the missing values replaced by the average value.

```
>>> print(mx.filled(mx.mean()))
[0.  1.  2.  3.  4.]
```

## Numerical operations

Numerical operations can be easily performed without worrying about missing values, dividing by zero, square roots of negative numbers, etc.:

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = ma.array([1., -1., 3., 4., 5., 6.], mask=[0,0,0,0,1,0])
>>> y = ma.array([1., 2., 0., 4., 5., 6.], mask=[0,0,0,0,0,1])
>>> print(ma.sqrt(x/y))
[1.0 -- -- 1.0 -- --]
```

Four values of the output are invalid: the first one comes from taking the square root of a negative number, the second from the division by zero, and the last two where the inputs were masked.

## Ignoring extreme values

Let's consider an array `d` of floats between 0 and 1. We wish to compute the average of the values of `d` while ignoring any data outside the range [0.2, 0.9]:

```
>>> d = np.linspace(0, 1, 20)
>>> print(d.mean() - ma.masked_outside(d, 0.2, 0.9).mean())
-0.05263157894736836
```

## 1.7.4 Constants of the `numpy.ma` module

In addition to the `MaskedArray` class, the `numpy.ma` module defines several constants.

### `numpy.ma.masked`

The `masked` constant is a special case of `MaskedArray`, with a float datatype and a null shape. It is used to test whether a specific entry of a masked array is masked, or to mask one or several entries of a masked array:

```
>>> x = ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask=[0, 1, 0])
>>> x[1] is ma.masked
True
>>> x[-1] = ma.masked
>>> x
masked_array(data=[1, --, --],
              mask=[False,  True,  True],
              fill_value=999999)
```

### `numpy.ma.nomask`

Value indicating that a masked array has no invalid entry. `nomask` is used internally to speed up computations when the mask is not needed. It is represented internally as `np.False_`.

### `numpy.ma.masked_print_options`

String used in lieu of missing data when a masked array is printed. By default, this string is '`--`'.

## 1.7.5 The `MaskedArray` class

```
class numpy.ma.MaskedArray
```

A subclass of `ndarray` designed to manipulate numerical arrays with missing data.

An instance of `MaskedArray` can be thought as the combination of several elements:

- The `data`, as a regular `numpy.ndarray` of any shape or datatype (the data).
- A boolean `mask` with the same shape as the data, where a `True` value indicates that the corresponding element of the data is invalid. The special value `nomask` is also acceptable for arrays without named fields, and indicates that no data is invalid.
- A `fill_value`, a value that may be used to replace the invalid entries in order to return a standard `numpy.ndarray`.

### Attributes and properties of masked arrays

See also:

[Array Attributes](#)

`MaskedArray.data`

Returns the underlying data, as a view of the masked array.

If the underlying data is a subclass of `numpy.ndarray`, it is returned as such.

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]]), mask=[[0, 1], [1, 0]])
>>> x.data
matrix([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

The type of the data can be accessed through the `baseclass` attribute.

`MaskedArray.mask`

Current mask.

`MaskedArray.recordmask`

Get or set the mask of the array if it has no named fields. For structured arrays, returns a ndarray of booleans where entries are `True` if **all** the fields are masked, `False` otherwise:

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5)],
...                 mask=[(0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1), (0, 1), (0, 0)],
...                 dtype=[('a', int), ('b', int)])
>>> x.recordmask
array([False, False,  True, False, False])
```

`MaskedArray.fill_value`

The filling value of the masked array is a scalar. When setting, `None` will set to a default based on the data type.

## Examples

```
>>> for dt in [np.int32, np.int64, np.float64, np.complex128]:
...     np.ma.array([0, 1], dtype=dt).get_fill_value()
...
999999
999999
1e+20
(1e+20+0j)
```

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([0, 1.], fill_value=-np.inf)
>>> x.fill_value
-inf
>>> x.fill_value = np.pi
>>> x.fill_value
3.1415926535897931 # may vary
```

Reset to default:

```
>>> x.fill_value = None
>>> x.fill_value
1e+20
```

### MaskedArray.**baseclass**

Class of the underlying data (read-only).

### MaskedArray.**sharedmask**

Share status of the mask (read-only).

### MaskedArray.**hardmask**

Specifies whether values can be unmasked through assignments.

By default, assigning definite values to masked array entries will unmask them. When `hardmask` is True, the mask will not change through assignments.

**See also:**

`ma.MaskedArray.harden_mask`

`ma.MaskedArray.soften_mask`

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(10)
>>> m = np.ma.masked_array(x, x>5)
>>> assert not m.hardmask
```

Since *m* has a soft mask, assigning an element value unmasks that element:

```
>>> m[8] = 42
>>> m
masked_array(data=[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, --, --, 42, --],
              mask=[False, False, False, False, False, False,
                     True, True, False, True],
              fill_value=999999)
```

After hardening, the mask is not affected by assignments:

```
>>> hardened = np.ma.harden_mask(m)
>>> assert m.hardmask and hardened is m
>>> m[:] = 23
>>> m
masked_array(data=[23, 23, 23, 23, 23, 23, --, --, 23, --],
              mask=[False, False, False, False, False, False,
                     True, True, False, True],
              fill_value=999999)
```

As `MaskedArray` is a subclass of `ndarray`, a masked array also inherits all the attributes and properties of a `ndarray` instance.

<code>MaskedArray.base</code>	Base object if memory is from some other object.
<code>MaskedArray.ctypes</code>	An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the <code>ctypes</code> module.
<code>MaskedArray.dtype</code>	Data-type of the array's elements.
<code>MaskedArray.flags</code>	Information about the memory layout of the array.
<code>MaskedArray.itemsize</code>	Length of one array element in bytes.
<code>MaskedArray.nbytes</code>	Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.
<code>MaskedArray.ndim</code>	Number of array dimensions.
<code>MaskedArray.shape</code>	Tuple of array dimensions.
<code>MaskedArray.size</code>	Number of elements in the array.
<code>MaskedArray.strides</code>	Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.
<code>MaskedArray.imag</code>	The imaginary part of the masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.real</code>	The real part of the masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.flat</code>	Return a flat iterator, or set a flattened version of self to value.
<code>MaskedArray.__array_priority__</code>	

attribute

`ma.MaskedArray.base`

Base object if memory is from some other object.

## Examples

The base of an array that owns its memory is `None`:

```
>>> x = np.array([1,2,3,4])
>>> x.base is None
True
```

Slicing creates a view, whose memory is shared with `x`:

```
>>> y = x[2:]
>>> y.base is x
True
```

attribute

**ma.MaskedArray.ctypes**

An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the `ctypes` module.

This attribute creates an object that makes it easier to use arrays when calling shared libraries with the `ctypes` module. The returned object has, among others, `data`, `shape`, and `strides` attributes (see Notes below) which themselves return `ctypes` objects that can be used as arguments to a shared library.

**Parameters****None****Returns****c**

[Python object] Possessing attributes `data`, `shape`, `strides`, etc.

**See also:**

[`numpy.ctypeslib`](#)

**Notes**

Below are the public attributes of this object which were documented in “Guide to NumPy” (we have omitted undocumented public attributes, as well as documented private attributes):

**\_ctypes.data**

A pointer to the memory area of the array as a Python integer. This memory area may contain data that is not aligned, or not in correct byte-order. The memory area may not even be writeable. The array flags and data-type of this array should be respected when passing this attribute to arbitrary C-code to avoid trouble that can include Python crashing. User Beware! The value of this attribute is exactly the same as `self._array_interface_['data'][0]`.

Note that unlike `data_as`, a reference will not be kept to the array: code like `ctypes.c_void_p((a + b).ctypes.data)` will result in a pointer to a deallocated array, and should be spelt `(a + b).ctypes.data_as(ctypes.c_void_p)`

**\_ctypes.shape**

`(c_intp*self.ndim)`: A `ctypes` array of length `self.ndim` where the basetype is the C-integer corresponding to `dtype('p')` on this platform (see [`c\_intp`](#)). This base-type could be `ctypes.c_int`, `ctypes.c_long`, or `ctypes.c_longlong` depending on the platform. The `ctypes` array contains the shape of the underlying array.

**\_ctypes.strides**

`(c_intp*self.ndim)`: A `ctypes` array of length `self.ndim` where the basetype is the same as for the `shape` attribute. This `ctypes` array contains the strides information from the underlying array. This strides information is important for showing how many bytes must be jumped to get to the next element in the array.

**\_ctypes.data\_as(*obj*)**

Return the data pointer cast to a particular c-types object. For example, calling `self._as_parameter_` is equivalent to `self.data_as(ctypes.c_void_p)`. Perhaps you want to use the data as a pointer to a `ctypes` array of floating-point data: `self.data_as(ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_double))`.

The returned pointer will keep a reference to the array.

`_ctypes.shape_as(obj)`

Return the shape tuple as an array of some other c-types type. For example: `self.shape_as(ctypes.c_short)`.

`_ctypes.strides_as(obj)`

Return the strides tuple as an array of some other c-types type. For example: `self.strides_as(ctypes.c_longlong)`.

If the `ctypes` module is not available, then the `ctypes` attribute of array objects still returns something useful, but `ctypes` objects are not returned and errors may be raised instead. In particular, the object will still have the `as_parameter` attribute which will return an integer equal to the `data` attribute.

## Examples

```
>>> import ctypes
>>> x = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], dtype=np.int32)
>>> x
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]], dtype=int32)
>>> x.ctypes.data
31962608 # may vary
>>> x.ctypes.data_as(ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_uint32))
<__main__.LP_c_uint object at 0x7ff2fc1fc200> # may vary
>>> x.ctypes.data_as(ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_uint32)).contents
c_uint(0)
>>> x.ctypes.data_as(ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_uint64)).contents
c_ulong(4294967296)
>>> x.ctypes.shape
<numpy.core._internal.c_long_Array_2 object at 0x7ff2fc1fce60> # may vary
>>> x.ctypes.strides
<numpy.core._internal.c_long_Array_2 object at 0x7ff2fc1ff320> # may vary
```

property

**property** `ma.MaskedArray.dtype`

Data-type of the array's elements.

**Warning:** Setting `arr.dtype` is discouraged and may be deprecated in the future. Setting will replace the `dtype` without modifying the memory (see also `ndarray.view` and `ndarray.astype`).

## Parameters

**None**

## Returns

**d**

[numpy dtype object]

**See also:**

[`ndarray.astype`](#)

Cast the values contained in the array to a new data-type.

**`ndarray.view`**

Create a view of the same data but a different data-type.

**`numpy.dtype`****Examples**

```
>>> x
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
>>> x.dtype
dtype('int32')
>>> type(x.dtype)
<type 'numpy.dtype'>
```

attribute

**`ma.MaskedArray.flags`**

Information about the memory layout of the array.

**Notes**

The `flags` object can be accessed dictionary-like (as in `a.flags['WRITEABLE']`), or by using lowercased attribute names (as in `a.flags.writeable`). Short flag names are only supported in dictionary access.

Only the WRITEBACKIFCOPY, WRITEABLE, and ALIGNED flags can be changed by the user, via direct assignment to the attribute or dictionary entry, or by calling `ndarray.setflags`.

The array flags cannot be set arbitrarily:

- WRITEBACKIFCOPY can only be set `False`.
- ALIGNED can only be set `True` if the data is truly aligned.
- WRITEABLE can only be set `True` if the array owns its own memory or the ultimate owner of the memory exposes a writeable buffer interface or is a string.

Arrays can be both C-style and Fortran-style contiguous simultaneously. This is clear for 1-dimensional arrays, but can also be true for higher dimensional arrays.

Even for contiguous arrays a stride for a given dimension `arr.strides[dim]` may be *arbitrary* if `arr.shape[dim] == 1` or the array has no elements. It does *not* generally hold that `self.strides[-1] == self.itemsize` for C-style contiguous arrays or `self.strides[0] == self.itemsize` for Fortran-style contiguous arrays is true.

**Attributes****C\_CONTIGUOUS (C)**

The data is in a single, C-style contiguous segment.

**F\_CONTIGUOUS (F)**

The data is in a single, Fortran-style contiguous segment.

**OWNDATA (O)**

The array owns the memory it uses or borrows it from another object.

**WRITEABLE (W)**

The data area can be written to. Setting this to False locks the data, making it read-only. A view (slice, etc.) inherits WRITEABLE from its base array at creation time, but a view of a writeable array may be subsequently locked while the base array remains writeable. (The opposite is not true, in that a view of a locked array may not be made writeable. However, currently, locking a base object does not lock any views that already reference it, so under that circumstance it is possible to alter the contents of a locked array via a previously created writeable view onto it.) Attempting to change a non-writeable array raises a RuntimeError exception.

**ALIGNED (A)**

The data and all elements are aligned appropriately for the hardware.

**WRITEBACKIFCOPY (X)**

This array is a copy of some other array. The C-API function PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy must be called before deallocating to the base array will be updated with the contents of this array.

**FNC**

F\_CONTIGUOUS and not C\_CONTIGUOUS.

**FORC**

F\_CONTIGUOUS or C\_CONTIGUOUS (one-segment test).

**BEHAVED (B)**

ALIGNED and WRITEABLE.

**CARRAY (CA)**

BEHAVED and C\_CONTIGUOUS.

**FARRAY (FA)**

BEHAVED and F\_CONTIGUOUS and not C\_CONTIGUOUS.

attribute

`ma.MaskedArray.itemsize`

Length of one array element in bytes.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([1,2,3], dtype=np.float64)
>>> x.itemsize
8
>>> x = np.array([1,2,3], dtype=np.complex128)
>>> x.itemsize
16
```

attribute

`ma.MaskedArray.nbytes`

Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.

## Notes

Does not include memory consumed by non-element attributes of the array object.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.zeros((3,5,2), dtype=np.complex128)
>>> x.nbytes
480
>>> np.prod(x.shape) * x.itemsize
480
```

attribute

`ma.MaskedArray.ndim`

Number of array dimensions.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> x.ndim
1
>>> y = np.zeros((2, 3, 4))
>>> y.ndim
3
```

property

`property ma.MaskedArray.shape`

Tuple of array dimensions.

The shape property is usually used to get the current shape of an array, but may also be used to reshape the array in-place by assigning a tuple of array dimensions to it. As with `numpy.reshape`, one of the new shape dimensions can be -1, in which case its value is inferred from the size of the array and the remaining dimensions. Reshaping an array in-place will fail if a copy is required.

**Warning:** Setting `arr.shape` is discouraged and may be deprecated in the future. Using `ndarray.reshape` is the preferred approach.

See also:

`numpy.shape`

Equivalent getter function.

`numpy.reshape`

Function similar to setting `shape`.

`ndarray.reshape`

Method similar to setting `shape`.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> x.shape
(4,)
>>> y = np.zeros((2, 3, 4))
>>> y.shape
(2, 3, 4)
>>> y.shape = (3, 8)
>>> y
array([[ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.]])
>>> y.shape = (3, 6)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: total size of new array must be unchanged
>>> np.zeros((4,2))[:2].shape = (-1,)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
AttributeError: Incompatible shape for in-place modification. Use
`.reshape()` to make a copy with the desired shape.
```

attribute

`ma.MaskedArray.size`

Number of elements in the array.

Equal to `np.prod(a.shape)`, i.e., the product of the array's dimensions.

## Notes

`a.size` returns a standard arbitrary precision Python integer. This may not be the case with other methods of obtaining the same value (like the suggested `np.prod(a.shape)`, which returns an instance of `np.int_`), and may be relevant if the value is used further in calculations that may overflow a fixed size integer type.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.zeros((3, 5, 2), dtype=np.complex128)
>>> x.size
30
>>> np.prod(x.shape)
30
```

attribute

`ma.MaskedArray.strides`

Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.

The byte offset of element (`i[0]`, `i[1]`, ..., `i[n]`) in an array `a` is:

```
offset = sum(np.array(i) * a.strides)
```

A more detailed explanation of strides can be found in the “ndarray.rst” file in the NumPy reference guide.

**Warning:** Setting `arr.strides` is discouraged and may be deprecated in the future. `numpy.lib.stride_tricks.as_strided` should be preferred to create a new view of the same data in a safer way.

See also:

`numpy.lib.stride_tricks.as_strided`

## Notes

Imagine an array of 32-bit integers (each 4 bytes):

```
x = np.array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
              [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]], dtype=np.int32)
```

This array is stored in memory as 40 bytes, one after the other (known as a contiguous block of memory). The strides of an array tell us how many bytes we have to skip in memory to move to the next position along a certain axis. For example, we have to skip 4 bytes (1 value) to move to the next column, but 20 bytes (5 values) to get to the same position in the next row. As such, the strides for the array `x` will be `(20, 4)`.

## Examples

```
>>> y = np.reshape(np.arange(2*3*4), (2,3,4))
>>> y
array([[[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]],
      [[12, 13, 14, 15],
       [16, 17, 18, 19],
       [20, 21, 22, 23]]])
>>> y.strides
(48, 16, 4)
>>> y[1,1,1]
17
>>> offset=sum(y.strides * np.array((1,1,1)))
>>> offset/y.itemsize
17
```

```
>>> x = np.reshape(np.arange(5*6*7*8), (5,6,7,8)).transpose(2,3,1,0)
>>> x.strides
(32, 4, 224, 1344)
>>> i = np.array([3,5,2,2])
>>> offset = sum(i * x.strides)
>>> x[3,5,2,2]
813
>>> offset / x.itemsize
813
```

property

`property ma.MaskedArray.imag`

The imaginary part of the masked array.

This property is a view on the imaginary part of this *MaskedArray*.

See also:

[real](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([1+1.j, -2j, 3.45+1.6j], mask=[False, True, False])
>>> x.imag
masked_array(data=[1.0, --, 1.6],
              mask=[False, True, False],
              fill_value=1e+20)
```

property

**property** `ma.MaskedArray.real`

The real part of the masked array.

This property is a view on the real part of this *MaskedArray*.

See also:

[imag](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([1+1.j, -2j, 3.45+1.6j], mask=[False, True, False])
>>> x.real
masked_array(data=[1.0, --, 3.45],
              mask=[False, True, False],
              fill_value=1e+20)
```

property

**property** `ma.MaskedArray.flat`

Return a flat iterator, or set a flattened version of self to value.

attribute

`ma.MaskedArray.__array_priority__ = 15`

## 1.7.6 MaskedArray methods

See also:

[Array methods](#)

## Conversion

<code>MaskedArray.__float__()</code>	Convert to float.
<code>MaskedArray.__int__()</code>	Convert to int.
<code>MaskedArray.view([dtype, type, fill_value])</code>	Return a view of the MaskedArray data.
<code>MaskedArray.astype(dtype[, order, casting, ...])</code>	Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.
<code>MaskedArray.byteswap([inplace])</code>	Swap the bytes of the array elements
<code>MaskedArray.compressed()</code>	Return all the non-masked data as a 1-D array.
<code>MaskedArray.filled([fill_value])</code>	Return a copy of self, with masked values filled with a given value.
<code>MaskedArray.tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Save a masked array to a file in binary format.
<code>MaskedArray.toflex()</code>	Transforms a masked array into a flexible-type array.
<code>MaskedArray.tolist([fill_value])</code>	Return the data portion of the masked array as a hierarchical Python list.
<code>MaskedArray.torecords()</code>	Transforms a masked array into a flexible-type array.
<code>MaskedArray.tostring([fill_value, order])</code>	A compatibility alias for <code>tobytes</code> , with exactly the same behavior.
<code>MaskedArray.tobytes([fill_value, order])</code>	Return the array data as a string containing the raw bytes in the array.

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.__float__()
```

Convert to float.

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.__int__()
```

Convert to int.

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.view(dtype=None, type=None, fill_value=None)
```

Return a view of the MaskedArray data.

### Parameters

#### `dtype`

[data-type or ndarray sub-class, optional] Data-type descriptor of the returned view, e.g., `float32` or `int16`. The default, `None`, results in the view having the same data-type as `a`. As with `ndarray.view`, `dtype` can also be specified as an ndarray sub-class, which then specifies the type of the returned object (this is equivalent to setting the `type` parameter).

#### `type`

[Python type, optional] Type of the returned view, either ndarray or a subclass. The default `None` results in type preservation.

#### `fill_value`

[scalar, optional] The value to use for invalid entries (`None` by default). If `None`, then this argument is inferred from the passed `dtype`, or in its absence the original array, as discussed in the notes below.

See also:

**`numpy.ndarray.view`**

Equivalent method on ndarray object.

## Notes

`a.view()` is used two different ways:

`a.view(some_dtype)` or `a.view(dtype=some_dtype)` constructs a view of the array's memory with a different data-type. This can cause a reinterpretation of the bytes of memory.

`a.view(ndarray_subclass)` or `a.view(type=ndarray_subclass)` just returns an instance of `ndarray_subclass` that looks at the same array (same shape, dtype, etc.) This does not cause a reinterpretation of the memory.

If `fill_value` is not specified, but `dtype` is specified (and is not an ndarray sub-class), the `fill_value` of the MaskedArray will be reset. If neither `fill_value` nor `dtype` are specified (or if `dtype` is an ndarray sub-class), then the fill value is preserved. Finally, if `fill_value` is specified, but `dtype` is not, the fill value is set to the specified value.

For `a.view(some_dtype)`, if `some_dtype` has a different number of bytes per entry than the previous `dtype` (for example, converting a regular array to a structured array), then the behavior of the view cannot be predicted just from the superficial appearance of `a` (shown by `print(a)`). It also depends on exactly how `a` is stored in memory. Therefore if `a` is C-ordered versus fortran-ordered, versus defined as a slice or transpose, etc., the view may give different results.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.astype(dtype, order='K', casting='unsafe', subok=True, copy=True)`

Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.

## Parameters

### `dtype`

[str or dtype] Typecode or data-type to which the array is cast.

### `order`

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout order of the result. 'C' means C order, 'F' means Fortran order, 'A' means 'F' order if all the arrays are Fortran contiguous, 'C' order otherwise, and 'K' means as close to the order the array elements appear in memory as possible. Default is 'K'.

### `casting`

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur. Defaults to 'unsafe' for backwards compatibility.

- 'no' means the data types should not be cast at all.
- 'equiv' means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- 'safe' means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- 'same\_kind' means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- 'unsafe' means any data conversions may be done.

### `subok`

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through (default), otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array.

**copy**

[bool, optional] By default, astype always returns a newly allocated array. If this is set to false, and the `dtype`, `order`, and `subok` requirements are satisfied, the input array is returned instead of a copy.

**Returns****arr\_t**

[ndarray] Unless `copy` is False and the other conditions for returning the input array are satisfied (see description for `copy` input parameter), `arr_t` is a new array of the same shape as the input array, with dtype, order given by `dtype`, `order`.

**Raises****ComplexWarning**

When casting from complex to float or int. To avoid this, one should use `a.real.astype(t)`.

**Notes**

Changed in version 1.17.0: Casting between a simple data type and a structured one is possible only for “unsafe” casting. Casting to multiple fields is allowed, but casting from multiple fields is not.

Changed in version 1.9.0: Casting from numeric to string types in ‘safe’ casting mode requires that the string dtype length is long enough to store the max integer/float value converted.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 2.5])
>>> x
array([1., 2., 2.5])
```

```
>>> x.astype(int)
array([1, 2, 2])
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.byteswap(inplace=False)`

Swap the bytes of the array elements

Toggle between low-endian and big-endian data representation by returning a byteswapped array, optionally swapped in-place. Arrays of byte-strings are not swapped. The real and imaginary parts of a complex number are swapped individually.

**Parameters****inplace**

[bool, optional] If True, swap bytes in-place, default is False.

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray] The byteswapped array. If *inplace* is True, this is a view to self.

**Examples**

```
>>> A = np.array([1, 256, 8755], dtype=np.int16)
>>> list(map(hex, A))
['0x1', '0x100', '0x2233']
>>> A.byteswap(inplace=True)
array([ 256,       1, 13090], dtype=int16)
>>> list(map(hex, A))
['0x100', '0x1', '0x3322']
```

Arrays of byte-strings are not swapped

```
>>> A = np.array([b'ceg', b'fac'])
>>> A.byteswap()
array([b'ceg', b'fac'], dtype='|S3')
```

**A.newbyteorder().byteswap() produces an array with the same values**

but different representation in memory

```
>>> A = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> A.view(np.uint8)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
       0, 0], dtype=uint8)
>>> A.newbyteorder().byteswap(inplace=True)
array([1, 2, 3])
>>> A.view(np.uint8)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
       0, 3], dtype=uint8)
```

method

ma.MaskedArray.compressed()

Return all the non-masked data as a 1-D array.

**Returns****data**

[ndarray] A new *ndarray* holding the non-masked data is returned.

**Notes**

The result is **not** a MaskedArray!

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.arange(5), mask=[0]*2 + [1]*3)
>>> x.compressed()
array([0, 1])
>>> type(x.compressed())
<class 'numpy.ndarray'>
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.filled(fill_value=None)`

Return a copy of self, with masked values filled with a given value. **However**, if there are no masked values to fill, self will be returned instead as an ndarray.

### Parameters

#### `fill_value`

[array\_like, optional] The value to use for invalid entries. Can be scalar or non-scalar. If non-scalar, the resulting ndarray must be broadcastable over input array. Default is None, in which case, the `fill_value` attribute of the array is used instead.

### Returns

#### `filled_array`

[ndarray] A copy of `self` with invalid entries replaced by `fill_value` (be it the function argument or the attribute of `self`), or `self` itself as an ndarray if there are no invalid entries to be replaced.

## Notes

The result is **not** a MaskedArray!

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([1,2,3,4,5], mask=[0,0,1,0,1], fill_value=-999)
>>> x.filled()
array([ 1,  2, -999,  4, -999])
>>> x.filled(fill_value=1000)
array([ 1,  2, 1000,  4, 1000])
>>> type(x.filled())
<class 'numpy.ndarray'>
```

Subclassing is preserved. This means that if, e.g., the data part of the masked array is a recarray, `filled` returns a recarray:

```
>>> x = np.array([(-1, 2), (-3, 4)], dtype='i8,i8').view(np.recarray)
>>> m = np.ma.array(x, mask=[(True, False), (False, True)])
>>> m.filled()
rec.array([(999999, 2), (-3, 999999)],
           dtype=[('f0', '<i8'), ('f1', '<i8')])
```

method

ma.MaskedArray.**tofile**(*fid*, *sep*=",", *format*='%s')

Save a masked array to a file in binary format.

**Warning:** This function is not implemented yet.

## Raises

### NotImplementedError

When `tofile` is called.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**toflex**()

Transforms a masked array into a flexible-type array.

The flexible type array that is returned will have two fields:

- the `_data` field stores the `_data` part of the array.
- the `_mask` field stores the `_mask` part of the array.

## Parameters

### None

## Returns

### record

[ndarray] A new flexible-type `ndarray` with two fields: the first element containing a value, the second element containing the corresponding mask boolean. The returned record shape matches `self.shape`.

## Notes

A side-effect of transforming a masked array into a flexible `ndarray` is that meta information (`fill_value`, ...) will be lost.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]], mask=[0] + [1,0]*4)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [--, 5, --],
        [7, --, 9]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.toflex()
array([(1, False), (2,  True), (3, False)],
```

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```
[ (4, True), (5, False), (6, True)],
[(7, False), (8, True), (9, False)]],
dtype=[('_data', '<i8'), ('_mask', '?')])
```

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.tolist(fill_value=None)
```

Return the data portion of the masked array as a hierarchical Python list.

Data items are converted to the nearest compatible Python type. Masked values are converted to `fill_value`. If `fill_value` is None, the corresponding entries in the output list will be None.

#### Parameters

##### `fill_value`

[scalar, optional] The value to use for invalid entries. Default is None.

#### Returns

##### `result`

[list] The Python list representation of the masked array.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3], [4,5,6], [7,8,9]], mask=[0] + [1,0]*4)
>>> x.tolist()
[[1, None, 3], [None, 5, None], [7, None, 9]]
>>> x.tolist(-999)
[[1, -999, 3], [-999, 5, -999], [7, -999, 9]]
```

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.torecords()
```

Transforms a masked array into a flexible-type array.

The flexible type array that is returned will have two fields:

- the `_data` field stores the `_data` part of the array.
- the `_mask` field stores the `_mask` part of the array.

#### Parameters

##### `None`

#### Returns

##### `record`

[ndarray] A new flexible-type `ndarray` with two fields: the first element containing a value, the second element containing the corresponding mask boolean. The returned record shape matches `self.shape`.

## Notes

A side-effect of transforming a masked array into a flexible `ndarray` is that meta information (`fill_value`, ...) will be lost.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]], mask=[[0] + [1,0]*4])
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [--, 5, --],
        [7, --, 9]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.toflex()
array([[1, False), (2,  True), (3, False)],
       [(4,  True), (5, False), (6,  True)],
       [(7, False), (8,  True), (9, False)]],
      dtype=[('_data', '<i8'), ('_mask', '?')])
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.tostring(fill_value=None, order='C')`

A compatibility alias for `tobytes`, with exactly the same behavior.

Despite its name, it returns *bytes* not *strs*.

Deprecated since version 1.19.0.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.tobytes(fill_value=None, order='C')`

Return the array data as a string containing the raw bytes in the array.

The array is filled with a fill value before the string conversion.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Parameters

#### `fill_value`

[scalar, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. Default is `None`, in which case `MaskedArray.fill_value` is used.

#### `order`

[{'C','F','A'}, optional] Order of the data item in the copy. Default is 'C'.

- 'C' – C order (row major).
- 'F' – Fortran order (column major).
- 'A' – Any, current order of array.
- None – Same as 'A'.

See also:

`numpy.ndarray.tobytes`  
`tolist, tofile`

## Notes

As for `ndarray.tobytes`, information about the shape, dtype, etc., but also about `fill_value`, will be lost.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]]), mask=[[0, 1], [1, 0]])
>>> x.tobytes()
b'\x01\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x04\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00'
```

## Shape manipulation

For reshape, resize, and transpose, the single tuple argument may be replaced with n integers which will be interpreted as an n-tuple.

<code>MaskedArray.flatten([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.
<code>MaskedArray.ravel([order])</code>	Returns a 1D version of self, as a view.
<code>MaskedArray.reshape(*s, **kwargs)</code>	Give a new shape to the array without changing its data.
<code>MaskedArray.resize(newshape[, refcheck, order])</code>	
<code>MaskedArray.squeeze([axis])</code>	Remove axes of length one from <i>a</i> .
<code>MaskedArray.swapaxes(axis1, axis2)</code>	Return a view of the array with <i>axis1</i> and <i>axis2</i> interchanged.
<code>MaskedArray.transpose(*axes)</code>	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.
<code>MaskedArray.T</code>	The transposed array.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.flatten(order='C')`

Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.

### Parameters

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] 'C' means to flatten in row-major (C-style) order. 'F' means to flatten in column-major (Fortran-style) order. 'A' means to flatten in column-major order if *a* is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, row-major order otherwise. 'K' means to flatten *a* in the order the elements occur in memory. The default is 'C'.

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray] A copy of the input array, flattened to one dimension.

See also:

**ravel**

Return a flattened array.

**flat**

A 1-D flat iterator over the array.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1,2], [3,4]])
>>> a.flatten()
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> a.flatten('F')
array([1, 3, 2, 4])
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.ravel(order='C')`

Returns a 1D version of self, as a view.

**Parameters****order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] The elements of *a* are read using this index order. 'C' means to index the elements in C-like order, with the last axis index changing fastest, back to the first axis index changing slowest. 'F' means to index the elements in Fortran-like index order, with the first index changing fastest, and the last index changing slowest. Note that the 'C' and 'F' options take no account of the memory layout of the underlying array, and only refer to the order of axis indexing. 'A' means to read the elements in Fortran-like index order if *m* is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, C-like order otherwise. 'K' means to read the elements in the order they occur in memory, except for reversing the data when strides are negative. By default, 'C' index order is used.

**Returns****MaskedArray**

Output view is of shape (`self.size,`) (or (`np.ma.product(self.shape),`)).

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]], mask=[0] + [1,0]*4)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [--, 5, --],
        [7, --, 9]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.ravel()
masked_array(data=[1, --, 3, --, 5, --, 7, --, 9],
             mask=[False,  True, False,  True, False,  True, False,  True,
```

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```
        False],  
        fill_value=999999)
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.reshape(*s, **kwargs)`

Give a new shape to the array without changing its data.

Returns a masked array containing the same data, but with a new shape. The result is a view on the original array; if this is not possible, a `ValueError` is raised.

### Parameters

#### `shape`

[int or tuple of ints] The new shape should be compatible with the original shape. If an integer is supplied, then the result will be a 1-D array of that length.

#### `order`

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Determines whether the array data should be viewed as in C (row-major) or FORTRAN (column-major) order.

### Returns

#### `reshaped_array`

[array] A new view on the array.

### See also:

#### `reshape`

Equivalent function in the masked array module.

#### `numpy.ndarray.reshape`

Equivalent method on ndarray object.

#### `numpy.reshape`

Equivalent function in the NumPy module.

### Notes

The reshaping operation cannot guarantee that a copy will not be made, to modify the shape in place, use `a.shape = s`

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2],[3,4]], mask=[1,0,0,1])
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[--, 2],
        [3, --]],
  mask=[[ True, False],
        [False,  True]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.reshape((4,1))
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[--],
        [2],
        [3],
        [--]],
  mask=[[ True],
        [False],
        [False],
        [ True]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.resize(newshape, refcheck=True, order=False)`

**Warning:** This method does nothing, except raise a `ValueError` exception. A masked array does not own its data and therefore cannot safely be resized in place. Use the `numpy.ma.resize` function instead.

This method is difficult to implement safely and may be deprecated in future releases of NumPy.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.squeeze(axis=None)`

Remove axes of length one from *a*.

Refer to `numpy.squeeze` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.squeeze`

equivalent function

method

`ma.MaskedArray.swapaxes(axis1, axis2)`

Return a view of the array with *axis1* and *axis2* interchanged.

Refer to `numpy.swapaxes` for full documentation.

**See also:**

`numpy.swapaxes`

equivalent function

method

`ma.MaskedArray.transpose(*axes)`

Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.

For a 1-D array this has no effect, as a transposed vector is simply the same vector. To convert a 1-D array into a 2D column vector, an additional dimension must be added. `np.atleast2d(a).T` achieves this, as does `a[:, np.newaxis]`. For a 2-D array, this is a standard matrix transpose. For an n-D array, if axes are given, their order indicates how the axes are permuted (see Examples). If axes are not provided and `a.shape = (i[0], i[1], ... i[n-2], i[n-1])`, then `a.transpose().shape = (i[n-1], i[n-2], ... i[1], i[0])`.

### Parameters

#### axes

[None, tuple of ints, or  $n$  ints]

- None or no argument: reverses the order of the axes.
- tuple of ints:  $i$  in the  $j$ -th place in the tuple means  $a$ 's  $i$ -th axis becomes  $a.transpose()$ 's  $j$ -th axis.
- $n$  ints: same as an  $n$ -tuple of the same ints (this form is intended simply as a “convenience” alternative to the tuple form)

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] View of  $a$ , with axes suitably permuted.

See also:

[`transpose`](#)

Equivalent function

[`ndarray.T`](#)

Array property returning the array transposed.

[`ndarray.reshape`](#)

Give a new shape to an array without changing its data.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> a
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
>>> a.transpose()
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose((1, 0))
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose(1, 0)
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
```

property

**property** `ma.MaskedArray.T`

The transposed array.

Same as `self.transpose()`.

**See also:**

[transpose](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1., 2.], [3., 4.]])
>>> x
array([[ 1.,  2.],
       [ 3.,  4.]])
>>> x.T
array([[ 1.,  3.],
       [ 2.,  4.]])
>>> x = np.array([1., 2., 3., 4.])
>>> x
array([ 1.,  2.,  3.,  4.])
>>> x.T
array([ 1.,  2.,  3.,  4.])
```

## Item selection and manipulation

For array methods that take an `axis` keyword, it defaults to `None`. If `axis` is `None`, then the array is treated as a 1-D array. Any other value for `axis` represents the dimension along which the operation should proceed.

<code>MaskedArray.argmax([axis, fill_value, out, ...])</code>	Returns array of indices of the maximum values along the given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.argmin([axis, fill_value, out, ...])</code>	Return array of indices to the minimum values along the given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.argsort([axis, kind, order, ...])</code>	Return an ndarray of indices that sort the array along the specified axis.
<code>MaskedArray.choose(choices[, out, mode])</code>	Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.
<code>MaskedArray.compress(condition[, axis, out])</code>	Return <code>a</code> where condition is <code>True</code> .
<code>MaskedArray.diagonal([offset, axis1, axis2])</code>	Return specified diagonals.
<code>MaskedArray.fill(value)</code>	Fill the array with a scalar value.
<code>MaskedArray.item(*args)</code>	Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.
<code>MaskedArray.nonzero()</code>	Return the indices of unmasked elements that are not zero.
<code>MaskedArray.put(indices, values[, mode])</code>	Set storage-indexed locations to corresponding values.
<code>MaskedArray.repeat(repeats[, axis])</code>	Repeat elements of an array.
<code>MaskedArray.searchsorted(v[, side, sorter])</code>	Find indices where elements of <code>v</code> should be inserted in <code>a</code> to maintain order.
<code>MaskedArray.sort([axis, kind, order, ...])</code>	Sort the array, in-place
<code>MaskedArray.take(indices[, axis, out, mode])</code>	

method

`ma.MaskedArray.argmax(axis=None, fill_value=None, out=None, *, keepdims=<no value>)`

Returns array of indices of the maximum values along the given axis. Masked values are treated as if they had the value `fill_value`.

### Parameters

#### axis

[{None, integer}] If None, the index is into the flattened array, otherwise along the specified axis

#### fill\_value

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. If None, the output of `maximum_fill_value(self._data)` is used instead.

#### out

[{None, array}, optional] Array into which the result can be placed. Its type is preserved and it must be of the right shape to hold the output.

### Returns

#### index\_array

[{integer\_array}]

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> a.argmax()
5
>>> a.argmax(0)
array([1, 1, 1])
>>> a.argmax(1)
array([2, 2])
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.argmin(axis=None, fill_value=None, out=None, *, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return array of indices to the minimum values along the given axis.

### Parameters

#### axis

[{None, integer}] If None, the index is into the flattened array, otherwise along the specified axis

#### fill\_value

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. If None, the output of `minimum_fill_value(self._data)` is used instead.

#### out

[{None, array}, optional] Array into which the result can be placed. Its type is preserved and it must be of the right shape to hold the output.

**Returns****ndarray or scalar**

If multi-dimension input, returns a new ndarray of indices to the minimum values along the given axis. Otherwise, returns a scalar of index to the minimum values along the given axis.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.arange(4), mask=[1, 1, 0, 0])
>>> x.shape = (2, 2)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[--, --],
        [2, 3]],
  mask=[[ True,  True],
        [False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.argmin(axis=0, fill_value=-1)
array([0, 0])
>>> x.argmin(axis=0, fill_value=9)
array([1, 1])
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.argsort (axis=<no value>, kind=None, order=None, endwith=True, fill_value=None)`

Return an ndarray of indices that sort the array along the specified axis. Masked values are filled beforehand to `fill_value`.

**Parameters****axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. If None, the default, the flattened array is used.

Changed in version 1.13.0: Previously, the default was documented to be -1, but that was in error. At some future date, the default will change to -1, as originally intended. Until then, the axis should be given explicitly when `arr.ndim > 1`, to avoid a FutureWarning.

**kind**

[{'quicksort', 'mergesort', 'heapsort', 'stable'}, optional] The sorting algorithm used.

**order**

[list, optional] When *a* is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. Not all fields need be specified.

**endwith**

[{True, False}, optional] Whether missing values (if any) should be treated as the largest values (True) or the smallest values (False). When the array contains unmasked values at the same extremes of the datatype, the ordering of these values and the masked values is undefined.

**fill\_value**

[scalar or None, optional] Value used internally for the masked values. If `fill_value` is not None, it supersedes `endwith`.

**Returns**

**index\_array**

[ndarray, int] Array of indices that sort  $a$  along the specified axis. In other words,  $a[\text{index\_array}]$  yields a sorted  $a$ .

**See also:**

[`ma.MaskedArray.sort`](#)

Describes sorting algorithms used.

[`lexsort`](#)

Indirect stable sort with multiple keys.

[`numpy.ndarray.sort`](#)

Inplace sort.

**Notes**

See [`sort`](#) for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([3,2,1], mask=[False, False, True])
>>> a
masked_array(data=[3, 2, --],
              mask=[False, False, True],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> a.argsort()
array([1, 0, 2])
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.choose(choices, out=None, mode='raise')`

Use an index array to construct a new array from a set of choices.

Refer to [`numpy.choose`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.choose`](#)

equivalent function

method

`ma.MaskedArray.compress(condition, axis=None, out=None)`

Return  $a$  where condition is True.

If condition is a [`MaskedArray`](#), missing values are considered as False.

**Parameters****condition**

[var] Boolean 1-d array selecting which entries to return. If len(condition) is less than the size of  $a$  along the axis, then output is truncated to length of condition array.

**axis**

[{None, int}, optional] Axis along which the operation must be performed.

**out**

[{None, ndarray}, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output but the type will be cast if necessary.

**Returns****result**

[MaskedArray] A *MaskedArray* object.

**Notes**

Please note the difference with *compressed* ! The output of *compress* has a mask, the output of *compressed* does not.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]], mask=[0] + [1,0]*4)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [--, 5, --],
        [7, --, 9]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.compress([1, 0, 1])
masked_array(data=[1, 3],
             mask=[False, False],
             fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> x.compress([1, 0, 1], axis=1)
masked_array(
  data=[[1, 3],
        [--, --],
        [7, 9]],
  mask=[[False, False],
        [ True,  True],
        [False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

**method**

`ma.MaskedArray.diagonal(offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1)`

Return specified diagonals. In NumPy 1.9 the returned array is a read-only view instead of a copy as in previous NumPy versions. In a future version the read-only restriction will be removed.

Refer to [numpy.diagonal](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

**`numpy.diagonal`**

equivalent function

method

`ma.MaskedArray.fill (value)`

Fill the array with a scalar value.

**Parameters****value**

[scalar] All elements of  $a$  will be assigned this value.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2])
>>> a.fill(0)
>>> a
array([0, 0])
>>> a = np.empty(2)
>>> a.fill(1)
>>> a
array([1., 1.])
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.item (*args)`

Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.

**Parameters****\*args**

[Arguments (variable number and type)]

- none: in this case, the method only works for arrays with one element ( $a.size == 1$ ), which element is copied into a standard Python scalar object and returned.
- int\_type: this argument is interpreted as a flat index into the array, specifying which element to copy and return.
- tuple of int\_types: functions as does a single int\_type argument, except that the argument is interpreted as an nd-index into the array.

**Returns****z**

[Standard Python scalar object] A copy of the specified element of the array as a suitable Python scalar

## Notes

When the data type of *a* is longdouble or clongdouble, item() returns a scalar array object because there is no available Python scalar that would not lose information. Void arrays return a buffer object for item(), unless fields are defined, in which case a tuple is returned.

*item* is very similar to *a[args]*, except, instead of an array scalar, a standard Python scalar is returned. This can be useful for speeding up access to elements of the array and doing arithmetic on elements of the array using Python's optimized math.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.item(3)
1
>>> x.item(7)
0
>>> x.item((0, 1))
2
>>> x.item((2, 2))
1
```

method

ma.MaskedArray.**nonzero**()

Return the indices of unmasked elements that are not zero.

Returns a tuple of arrays, one for each dimension, containing the indices of the non-zero elements in that dimension. The corresponding non-zero values can be obtained with:

```
a[a.nonzero()]
```

To group the indices by element, rather than dimension, use instead:

```
np.transpose(a.nonzero())
```

The result of this is always a 2d array, with a row for each non-zero element.

### Parameters

**None**

### Returns

**tuple\_of\_arrays**

[tuple] Indices of elements that are non-zero.

**See also:**

[`numpy.nonzero`](#)

Function operating on ndarrays.

### `flatnonzero`

Return indices that are non-zero in the flattened version of the input array.

### `numpy.ndarray.nonzero`

Equivalent ndarray method.

### `count_nonzero`

Counts the number of non-zero elements in the input array.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = ma.array(np.eye(3))
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1.,  0.,  0.],
        [0.,  1.,  0.],
        [0.,  0.,  1.]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=1e+20)
>>> x.nonzero()
(array([0, 1, 2]), array([0, 1, 2]))
```

Masked elements are ignored.

```
>>> x[1, 1] = ma.masked
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1.0,  0.0,  0.0],
        [0.0,  --,  0.0],
        [0.0,  0.0,  1.0]],
  mask=[[False,  False,  False],
        [False,  True,  False],
        [False,  False,  False]],
  fill_value=1e+20)
>>> x.nonzero()
(array([0, 2]), array([0, 2]))
```

Indices can also be grouped by element.

```
>>> np.transpose(x.nonzero())
array([[0, 0],
       [2, 2]])
```

A common use for nonzero is to find the indices of an array, where a condition is True. Given an array  $a$ , the condition  $a > 3$  is a boolean array and since False is interpreted as 0, ma.nonzero( $a > 3$ ) yields the indices of the  $a$  where the condition is true.

```
>>> a = ma.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
>>> a > 3
masked_array(
  data=[[False,  False,  False],
        [ True,  True,  True],
```

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```
[ True,  True,  True]],  
mask=False,  
fill_value=True)  
>>> ma.nonzero(a > 3)  
(array([1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]), array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]))
```

The `nonzero` method of the condition array can also be called.

```
>>> (a > 3).nonzero()  
(array([1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]), array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]))
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.put(indices, values, mode='raise')`

Set storage-indexed locations to corresponding values.

Sets `self._data.flat[n] = values[n]` for each `n` in `indices`. If `values` is shorter than `indices` then it will repeat. If `values` has some masked values, the initial mask is updated in consequence, else the corresponding values are unmasked.

### Parameters

#### indices

[1-D array\_like] Target indices, interpreted as integers.

#### values

[array\_like] Values to place in `self._data` copy at target indices.

#### mode

[{'raise', 'wrap', 'clip'}, optional] Specifies how out-of-bounds indices will behave. 'raise' : raise an error. 'wrap' : wrap around. 'clip' : clip to the range.

### Notes

`values` can be a scalar or length 1 array.

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]], mask=[[0] + [1,0]*4)  
>>> x  
masked_array(  
  data=[[1, --, 3],  
        [--, 5, --],  
        [7, --, 9]],  
  mask=[[False,  True, False],  
        [ True, False,  True],  
        [False,  True, False]],  
  fill_value=999999)  
>>> x.put([0,4,8],[10,20,30])  
>>> x  
masked_array(  
  data=[[10, --, 3],  
        [--, 20, --],  
        [7, --, 9]],  
  mask=[[False,  True, False],  
        [ True, False,  True],  
        [False,  True, False]],  
  fill_value=999999)
```

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```
[7, --, 30]],
mask=[[False,  True, False],
      [ True, False,  True],
      [False,  True, False]],
fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> x.put(4, 999)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[10, --, 3],
        [--, 999, --],
        [7, --, 30]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.repeat(repeats, axis=None)`

Repeat elements of an array.

Refer to [numpy.repeat](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.repeat](#)

equivalent function

method

`ma.MaskedArray.searchsorted(v, side='left', sorter=None)`

Find indices where elements of v should be inserted in a to maintain order.

For full documentation, see [numpy.searchsorted](#)

**See also:**

[numpy.searchsorted](#)

equivalent function

method

`ma.MaskedArray.sort(axis=-1, kind=None, order=None, endwith=True, fill_value=None)`

Sort the array, in-place

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Array to be sorted.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. If None, the array is flattened before sorting. The default is -1, which sorts along the last axis.

**kind**

[{‘quicksort’, ‘mergesort’, ‘heapsort’, ‘stable’}, optional] The sorting algorithm used.

**order**

[list, optional] When  $a$  is a structured array, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, and so on. This list does not need to include all of the fields.

**endwith**

[{True, False}, optional] Whether missing values (if any) should be treated as the largest values (True) or the smallest values (False). When the array contains unmasked values sorting at the same extremes of the datatype, the ordering of these values and the masked values is undefined.

**fill\_value**

[scalar or None, optional] Value used internally for the masked values. If `fill_value` is not `None`, it supersedes `endwith`.

**Returns**

**sorted\_array**

[ndarray] Array of the same type and shape as  $a$ .

**See also:**

[`numpy.ndarray.sort`](#)

Method to sort an array in-place.

[`argsort`](#)

Indirect sort.

[`lexsort`](#)

Indirect stable sort on multiple keys.

[`searchsorted`](#)

Find elements in a sorted array.

**Notes**

See `sort` for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1, 2, 5, 4, 3], mask=[0, 1, 0, 1, 0])
>>> # Default
>>> a.sort()
>>> a
masked_array(data=[1, 3, 5, --, --],
              mask=[False, False, False,  True,  True],
              fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1, 2, 5, 4, 3], mask=[0, 1, 0, 1, 0])
>>> # Put missing values in the front
>>> a.sort(endwith=False)
>>> a
masked_array(data=[--, --, 1, 3, 5],
              mask=[ True,  True, False, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1, 2, 5, 4, 3], mask=[0, 1, 0, 1, 0])
>>> # fill_value takes over endwith
>>> a.sort(endwith=False, fill_value=3)
>>> a
masked_array(data=[1, --, --, 3, 5],
              mask=[False,  True,  True, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.take(indices, axis=None, out=None, mode='raise')`

## Pickling and copy

<code>MaskedArray.copy([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array.
<code>MaskedArray.dump(file)</code>	Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file.
<code>MaskedArray.dumps()</code>	Returns the pickle of the array as a string.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.copy(order='C')`

Return a copy of the array.

### Parameters

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the copy. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible. (Note that this function and `numpy.copy` are very similar but have different default values for their `order=` arguments, and this function always passes sub-classes through.)

### See also:

`numpy.copy`

Similar function with different default behavior

`numpy.copyto`

## Notes

This function is the preferred method for creating an array copy. The function `numpy.copy` is similar, but it defaults to using order ‘K’, and will not pass sub-classes through by default.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='F')
```

```
>>> y = x.copy()
```

```
>>> x.fill(0)
```

```
>>> x  
array([[0, 0, 0],  
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y  
array([[1, 2, 3],  
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> y.flags['C_CONTIGUOUS']  
True
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.dump(file)`

Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file. The array can be read back with `pickle.load` or `numpy.load`.

### Parameters

#### file

[str or Path] A string naming the dump file.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.dumps()`

Returns the pickle of the array as a string. `pickle.loads` will convert the string back to an array.

### Parameters

#### None

## Calculations

<code>MaskedArray.all([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.
<code>MaskedArray.anom([axis, dtype])</code>	Compute the anomalies (deviations from the arithmetic mean) along the given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.any([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns True if any of the elements of <i>a</i> evaluate to True.
<code>MaskedArray.clip([min, max, out])</code>	Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max].
<code>MaskedArray.conj()</code>	Complex-conjugate all elements.
<code>MaskedArray.conjugate()</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.
<code>MaskedArray.cumprod([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.cumsum([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.max([axis, out, fill_value, ...])</code>	Return the maximum along a given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.mean([axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.min([axis, out, fill_value, ...])</code>	Return the minimum along a given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.prod([axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.product([axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.ptp([axis, out, fill_value, ...])</code>	Return (maximum - minimum) along the given dimension (i.e.
<code>MaskedArray.round([decimals, out])</code>	Return each element rounded to the given number of decimals.
<code>MaskedArray.std([axis, dtype, out, ddof, ...])</code>	Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.sum([axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>MaskedArray.trace([offset, axis1, axis2, ...])</code>	Return the sum along diagonals of the array.
<code>MaskedArray.var([axis, dtype, out, ddof, ...])</code>	Compute the variance along the specified axis.

### method

`ma.MaskedArray.all(axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.

The output array is masked where all the values along the given axis are masked: if the output would have been a scalar and that all the values are masked, then the output is *masked*.

Refer to [numpy.all](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.ndarray.all`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[`numpy.all`](#)

equivalent function

## Examples

```
>>> np.ma.array([1,2,3]).all()
True
>>> a = np.ma.array([1,2,3], mask=True)
>>> (a.all() is np.ma.masked)
True
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.anom(axis=None, dtype=None)`

Compute the anomalies (deviations from the arithmetic mean) along the given axis.

Returns an array of anomalies, with the same shape as the input and where the arithmetic mean is computed along the given axis.

### Parameters

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which the anomalies are taken. The default is to use the mean of the flattened array as reference.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional]

#### Type to use in computing the variance. For arrays of integer type

the default is float32; for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.

### See also:

#### `mean`

Compute the mean of the array.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1,2,3])
>>> a.anom()
masked_array(data=[-1.,  0.,  1.],
              mask=False,
              fill_value=1e+20)
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.any(axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Returns True if any of the elements of *a* evaluate to True.

Masked values are considered as False during computation.

Refer to [numpy.any](#) for full documentation.

### See also:

#### [numpy.ndarray.any](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[\*\*numpy.any\*\*](#)

equivalent function

method

ma.MaskedArray.**clip**(min=None, max=None, out=None, \*\*kwargs)

Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max]. One of max or min must be given.

Refer to [numpy.clip](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[\*\*numpy.clip\*\*](#)

equivalent function

method

ma.MaskedArray.**conj**()

Complex-conjugate all elements.

Refer to [numpy.conjugate](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[\*\*numpy.conjugate\*\*](#)

equivalent function

method

ma.MaskedArray.**conjugate**()

Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.

Refer to [numpy.conjugate](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[\*\*numpy.conjugate\*\*](#)

equivalent function

method

ma.MaskedArray.**cumprod**(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)

Return the cumulative product of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked values are set to 1 internally during the computation. However, their position is saved, and the result will be masked at the same locations.

Refer to [numpy.cumprod](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[\*\*numpy.ndarray.cumprod\*\*](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[\*\*numpy.cumprod\*\*](#)

equivalent function

## Notes

The mask is lost if *out* is not a valid MaskedArray !

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.cumsum(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the cumulative sum of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked values are set to 0 internally during the computation. However, their position is saved, and the result will be masked at the same locations.

Refer to [numpy.cumsum](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.ndarray.cumsum](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[numpy.cumsum](#)

equivalent function

## Notes

The mask is lost if *out* is not a valid `ma.MaskedArray` !

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

## Examples

```
>>> marr = np.ma.array(np.arange(10), mask=[0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0])
>>> marr.cumsum()
masked_array(data=[0, 1, 3, --, --, --, 9, 16, 24, 33],
              mask=[False, False, False, True, True, True, False, False,
                     False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.max(axis=None, out=None, fill_value=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the maximum along a given axis.

### Parameters

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis along which to operate. By default, `axis` is None and the flattened input is used. ... versionadded:: 1.7.0 If this is a tuple of ints, the maximum is selected over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

#### out

[array\_like, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. Must be of the same shape and buffer length as the expected output.

**fill\_value**

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. If None, use the output of maximum\_fill\_value().

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

**Returns****amax**

[array\_like] New array holding the result. If out was specified, out is returned.

**See also:**[\*\*\*ma.maximum\\_fill\\_value\*\*\*](#)

Returns the maximum filling value for a given datatype.

**method**

[\*\*ma.MaskedArray.mean\*\*](#) (axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>)

Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.

Masked entries are ignored, and result elements which are not finite will be masked.

Refer to [\*numpy.mean\*](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**[\*\*\*numpy.ndarray.mean\*\*\*](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[\*\*\*numpy.mean\*\*\*](#)

Equivalent function

[\*\*\*numpy.ma.average\*\*\*](#)

Weighted average.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1,2,3], mask=[False, False, True])
>>> a
masked_array(data=[1, 2, --],
              mask=[False, False,  True],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> a.mean()
1.5
```

**method**

`ma.MaskedArray.min(axis=None, out=None, fill_value=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the minimum along a given axis.

#### Parameters

##### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis along which to operate. By default, `axis` is None and the flattened input is used. .. versionadded:: 1.7.0 If this is a tuple of ints, the minimum is selected over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

##### out

[array\_like, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. Must be of the same shape and buffer length as the expected output.

##### fill\_value

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. If None, use the output of `minimum_fill_value`.

##### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

#### Returns

##### amin

[array\_like] New array holding the result. If `out` was specified, `out` is returned.

#### See also:

##### `ma.minimum_fill_value`

Returns the minimum filling value for a given datatype.

#### method

`ma.MaskedArray.prod(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked elements are set to 1 internally for computation.

Refer to `numpy.prod` for full documentation.

#### See also:

##### `numpy.ndarray.prod`

corresponding function for ndarrays

##### `numpy.prod`

equivalent function

## Notes

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.product(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked elements are set to 1 internally for computation.

Refer to [numpy.prod](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ndarray.prod`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[`numpy.prod`](#)

equivalent function

## Notes

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.ptp(axis=None, out=None, fill_value=None, keepdims=False)`

Return (maximum - minimum) along the given dimension (i.e. peak-to-peak value).

**Warning:** `ptp` preserves the data type of the array. This means the return value for an input of signed integers with n bits (e.g. `np.int8`, `np.int16`, etc) is also a signed integer with n bits. In that case, peak-to-peak values greater than  $2^{** (n-1)} - 1$  will be returned as negative values. An example with a work-around is shown below.

## Parameters

### axis

[{None, int}, optional] Axis along which to find the peaks. If None (default) the flattened array is used.

### out

[{None, array\_like}, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output but the type will be cast if necessary.

### fill\_value

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values.

### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

## Returns

**ptp**

[ndarray.] A new array holding the result, unless `out` was specified, in which case a reference to `out` is returned.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.MaskedArray([[4, 9, 2, 10],
...                         [6, 9, 7, 12]])
```

```
>>> x.ptp(axis=1)
masked_array(data=[8, 6],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> x.ptp(axis=0)
masked_array(data=[2, 0, 5, 2],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> x.ptp()
10
```

This example shows that a negative value can be returned when the input is an array of signed integers.

```
>>> y = np.ma.MaskedArray([[1, 127],
...                         [0, 127],
...                         [-1, 127],
...                         [-2, 127]], dtype=np.int8)
>>> y.ptp(axis=1)
masked_array(data=[ 126,  127, -128, -127],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999,
             dtype=int8)
```

A work-around is to use the `view()` method to view the result as unsigned integers with the same bit width:

```
>>> y.ptp(axis=1).view(np.uint8)
masked_array(data=[126, 127, 128, 129],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999,
             dtype=uint8)
```

**method**

`ma.MaskedArray.round(decimals=0, out=None)`

Return each element rounded to the given number of decimals.

Refer to [numpy.around](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.ndarray.round`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

***numpy.around***

equivalent function

method

`ma.MaskedArray.std(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=<no value>)`

Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.

Masked entries are ignored.

Refer to [`numpy.std`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

***numpy.ndarray.std***

corresponding function for ndarrays

***numpy.std***

Equivalent function

method

`ma.MaskedArray.sum(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked elements are set to 0 internally.

Refer to [`numpy.sum`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

***numpy.ndarray.sum***

corresponding function for ndarrays

***numpy.sum***

Equivalent function

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]], mask=[0] + [1,0]*4)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [--, 5, --],
        [7, --, 9]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.sum()
25
>>> x.sum(axis=1)
masked_array(data=[4, 5, 16],
             mask=[False, False, False],
             fill_value=999999)
```

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```
>>> x.sum(axis=0)
masked_array(data=[8, 5, 12],
             mask=[False, False, False],
             fill_value=999999)
>>> print(type(x.sum(axis=0, dtype=np.int64)[0]))
<class 'numpy.int64'>
```

**method**`ma.MaskedArray.trace(offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the sum along diagonals of the array.

Refer to [numpy.trace](#) for full documentation.**See also:**[numpy.trace](#)

equivalent function

**method**`ma.MaskedArray.var(axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=<no value>)`

Compute the variance along the specified axis.

Returns the variance of the array elements, a measure of the spread of a distribution. The variance is computed for the flattened array by default, otherwise over the specified axis.

**Parameters****a**[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose variance is desired. If *a* is not an array, a conversion is attempted.**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which the variance is computed. The default is to compute the variance of the flattened array.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, a variance is performed over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

**dtype**[data-type, optional] Type to use in computing the variance. For arrays of integer type the default is [float64](#); for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type is cast if necessary.

**ddof**[int, optional] “Delta Degrees of Freedom”: the divisor used in the calculation is  $N - ddof$ , where  $N$  represents the number of elements. By default *ddof* is zero.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then *keepdims* will not be passed through to the `var` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement *keepdims* any exceptions will be raised.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the variance. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****variance**

[ndarray, see dtype parameter above] If `out=None`, returns a new array containing the variance; otherwise, a reference to the output array is returned.

**See also:**

`std, mean, nanmean, nanstd, nanvar`

**ufuncs-output-type**

**Notes**

The variance is the average of the squared deviations from the mean, i.e., `var = mean(x)`, where `x = abs(a - a.mean())**2`.

The mean is typically calculated as `x.sum() / N`, where `N = len(x)`. If, however, `ddof` is specified, the divisor `N - ddof` is used instead. In standard statistical practice, `ddof=1` provides an unbiased estimator of the variance of a hypothetical infinite population. `ddof=0` provides a maximum likelihood estimate of the variance for normally distributed variables.

Note that for complex numbers, the absolute value is taken before squaring, so that the result is always real and nonnegative.

For floating-point input, the variance is computed using the same precision the input has. Depending on the input data, this can cause the results to be inaccurate, especially for `float32` (see example below). Specifying a higher-accuracy accumulator using the `dtype` keyword can alleviate this issue.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> np.var(a)
1.25
>>> np.var(a, axis=0)
array([1., 1.])
>>> np.var(a, axis=1)
array([0.25, 0.25])
```

In single precision, `var()` can be inaccurate:

```
>>> a = np.zeros((2, 512*512), dtype=np.float32)
>>> a[0, :] = 1.0
>>> a[1, :] = 0.1
>>> np.var(a)
0.20250003
```

Computing the variance in float64 is more accurate:

```
>>> np.var(a, dtype=np.float64)
0.20249999932944759 # may vary
>>> ((1-0.55)**2 + (0.1-0.55)**2)/2
0.2025
```

Specifying a where argument:

```
>>> a = np.array([[14, 8, 11, 10], [7, 9, 10, 11], [10, 15, 5, 10]])
>>> np.var(a)
6.83333333333333 # may vary
>>> np.var(a, where=[[True], [True], [False]])
4.0
```

## Arithmetic and comparison operations

### Comparison operators:

<code>MaskedArray.__lt__(value, /)</code>	Return self<value.
<code>MaskedArray.__le__(value, /)</code>	Return self<=value.
<code>MaskedArray.__gt__(value, /)</code>	Return self>value.
<code>MaskedArray.__ge__(value, /)</code>	Return self>=value.
<code>MaskedArray.__eq__(other)</code>	Check whether other equals self elementwise.
<code>MaskedArray.__ne__(other)</code>	Check whether other does not equal self elementwise.

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.__lt__(value, /)
    Return self<value.
```

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.__le__(value, /)
    Return self<=value.
```

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.__gt__(value, /)
    Return self>value.
```

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.__ge__(value, /)
    Return self>=value.
```

method

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```
ma.MaskedArray.__eq__(other)
```

Check whether other equals self elementwise.

When either of the elements is masked, the result is masked as well, but the underlying boolean data are still set, with self and other considered equal if both are masked, and unequal otherwise.

For structured arrays, all fields are combined, with masked values ignored. The result is masked if all fields were masked, with self and other considered equal only if both were fully masked.

method

```
ma.MaskedArray.__ne__(other)
```

Check whether other does not equal self elementwise.

When either of the elements is masked, the result is masked as well, but the underlying boolean data are still set, with self and other considered equal if both are masked, and unequal otherwise.

For structured arrays, all fields are combined, with masked values ignored. The result is masked if all fields were masked, with self and other considered equal only if both were fully masked.

### Truth value of an array (bool()):

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<i>MaskedArray.__bool__()</i>	True if self else False
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method

```
ma.MaskedArray.__bool__()
```

True if self else False

**Arithmetic:**


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<code>MaskedArray.__abs__(self)</code>	
<code>MaskedArray.__add__(other)</code>	Add self to other, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__radd__(other)</code>	Add other to self, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__sub__(other)</code>	Subtract other from self, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__rsub__(other)</code>	Subtract self from other, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__mul__(other)</code>	Multiply self by other, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__rmul__(other)</code>	Multiply other by self, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__div__(other)</code>	Divide other into self, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__truediv__(other)</code>	Divide other into self, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__rtruediv__(other)</code>	Divide self into other, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__floordiv__(other)</code>	Divide other into self, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__rfloordiv__(other)</code>	Divide self into other, and return a new masked array.
<code>MaskedArray.__mod__(value, /)</code>	Return self%value.
<code>MaskedArray.__rmod__(value, /)</code>	Return value%self.
<code>MaskedArray.__divmod__(value, /)</code>	Return divmod(self, value).
<code>MaskedArray.__rdivmod__(value, /)</code>	Return divmod(value, self).
<code>MaskedArray.__pow__(other)</code>	Raise self to the power other, masking the potential NaNs/Infs
<code>MaskedArray.__rpow__(other)</code>	Raise other to the power self, masking the potential NaNs/Infs
<code>MaskedArray.__lshift__(value, /)</code>	Return self«value.
<code>MaskedArray.__rlshift__(value, /)</code>	Return value«self.
<code>MaskedArray.__rshift__(value, /)</code>	Return self»value.
<code>MaskedArray.__rrshift__(value, /)</code>	Return value»self.
<code>MaskedArray.__and__(value, /)</code>	Return self&value.
<code>MaskedArray.__rand__(value, /)</code>	Return value&self.
<code>MaskedArray.__or__(value, /)</code>	Return self value.
<code>MaskedArray.__ror__(value, /)</code>	Return value self.
<code>MaskedArray.__xor__(value, /)</code>	Return self^value.
<code>MaskedArray.__rxor__(value, /)</code>	Return value^self.

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method

`ma.MaskedArray.__abs__(self)`

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__add__(other)`

Add self to other, and return a new masked array.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__radd__(other)`

Add other to self, and return a new masked array.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__sub__(other)`

Subtract other from self, and return a new masked array.

method

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```
ma.MaskedArray.__rsub__(other)
    Subtract self from other, and return a new masked array.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__mul__(other)
    Multiply self by other, and return a new masked array.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__rmul__(other)
    Multiply other by self, and return a new masked array.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__div__(other)
    Divide other into self, and return a new masked array.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__truediv__(other)
    Divide other into self, and return a new masked array.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__rtruediv__(other)
    Divide self into other, and return a new masked array.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__floordiv__(other)
    Divide other into self, and return a new masked array.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__rfloordiv__(other)
    Divide self into other, and return a new masked array.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__mod__(value, /)
    Return self%value.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__rmod__(value, /)
    Return value%self.

method
ma.MaskedArray.__divmod__(value, /)
    Return divmod(self, value).

method
ma.MaskedArray.__rdivmod__(value, /)
    Return divmod(value, self).
```

```
ma.MaskedArray.__pow__(other)
    Raise self to the power other, masking the potential NaNs/Infs
method
ma.MaskedArray.__rpow__(other)
    Raise other to the power self, masking the potential NaNs/Infs
method
ma.MaskedArray.__lshift__(value, /)
    Return self<<value.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__rlshift__(value, /)
    Return value<<self.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__rshift__(value, /)
    Return self>>value.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__rrshift__(value, /)
    Return value>>self.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__and__(value, /)
    Return self&value.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__rand__(value, /)
    Return value&self.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__or__(value, /)
    Return self|value.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__ror__(value, /)
    Return value|self.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__xor__(value, /)
    Return self^value.
method
ma.MaskedArray.__rxor__(value, /)
    Return value^self.
```

**Arithmetic, in-place:**

<code>MaskedArray.__iadd__(other)</code>	Add other to self in-place.
<code>MaskedArray.__isub__(other)</code>	Subtract other from self in-place.
<code>MaskedArray.__imul__(other)</code>	Multiply self by other in-place.
<code>MaskedArray.__idiv__(other)</code>	Divide self by other in-place.
<code>MaskedArray.__itruediv__(other)</code>	True divide self by other in-place.
<code>MaskedArray.__ifloordiv__(other)</code>	Floor divide self by other in-place.
<code>MaskedArray.__imod__(value, /)</code>	Return self%value.
<code>MaskedArray.__ipow__(other)</code>	Raise self to the power other, in place.
<code>MaskedArray.__ilshift__(value, /)</code>	Return self<<value.
<code>MaskedArray.__irshift__(value, /)</code>	Return self>>value.
<code>MaskedArray.__iand__(value, /)</code>	Return self&=value.
<code>MaskedArray.__ior__(value, /)</code>	Return self =value.
<code>MaskedArray.__ixor__(value, /)</code>	Return self^=value.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__iadd__(other)`

Add other to self in-place.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__isub__(other)`

Subtract other from self in-place.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__imul__(other)`

Multiply self by other in-place.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__idiv__(other)`

Divide self by other in-place.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__itruediv__(other)`

True divide self by other in-place.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__ifloordiv__(other)`

Floor divide self by other in-place.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__imod__(value, /)`

Return self%value.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__ipow__(other)`

Raise self to the power other, in place.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**\_\_ilshift\_\_**(value, /)

Return self<=value.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**\_\_irshift\_\_**(value, /)

Return self>=value.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**\_\_iand\_\_**(value, /)

Return self&=value.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**\_\_ior\_\_**(value, /)

Return self|=value.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**\_\_ixor\_\_**(value, /)

Return self^=value.

## Representation

<code>MaskedArray.__repr__()</code>	Literal string representation.
<code>MaskedArray.__str__()</code>	Return str(self).
<code>MaskedArray.ids()</code>	Return the addresses of the data and mask areas.
<code>MaskedArray.iscontiguous()</code>	Return a boolean indicating whether the data is contiguous.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**\_\_repr\_\_**()

Literal string representation.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**\_\_str\_\_**()

Return str(self).

method

ma.MaskedArray.**ids**()

Return the addresses of the data and mask areas.

### Parameters

**None**

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask=[0, 1, 1])
>>> x.ids()
(166670640, 166659832) # may vary
```

If the array has no mask, the address of *nomask* is returned. This address is typically not close to the data in memory:

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> x.ids()
(166691080, 3083169284) # may vary
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.iscontiguous()`

Return a boolean indicating whether the data is contiguous.

### Parameters

`None`

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> x.iscontiguous()
True
```

*iscontiguous* returns one of the flags of the masked array:

```
>>> x.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : True
OWNDATA : False
WRITEABLE : True
ALIGNED : True
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
```

## Special methods

For standard library functions:

<code>MaskedArray.__copy__()</code>	Used if <code>copy.copy</code> is called on an array.
<code>MaskedArray.__deepcopy__(memo, /)</code>	Used if <code>copy.deepcopy</code> is called on an array.
<code>MaskedArray.__getstate__()</code>	Return the internal state of the masked array, for pickling purposes.
<code>MaskedArray.__reduce__()</code>	Return a 3-tuple for pickling a MaskedArray.
<code>MaskedArray.__setstate__(state)</code>	Restore the internal state of the masked array, for pickling purposes.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**copy**()

Used if `copy.copy` is called on an array. Returns a copy of the array.

Equivalent to `a.copy(order='K')`.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**deepcopy**(*memo*, /) → Deep copy of array.

Used if `copy.deepcopy` is called on an array.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**getstate**()

Return the internal state of the masked array, for pickling purposes.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**reduce**()

Return a 3-tuple for pickling a MaskedArray.

method

ma.MaskedArray.**setstate**(*state*)

Restore the internal state of the masked array, for pickling purposes. *state* is typically the output of the `__getstate__` output, and is a 5-tuple:

- class name
- a tuple giving the shape of the data
- a typecode for the data
- a binary string for the data
- a binary string for the mask.

Basic customization:

<code>MaskedArray.__new__(cls[, data, mask, ...])</code>	Create a new masked array from scratch.
<code>MaskedArray.__array__([dtype], /)</code>	Returns either a new reference to self if dtype is not given or a new array of provided data type if dtype is different from the current dtype of the array.
<code>MaskedArray.__array_wrap__(obj[, context])</code>	Special hook for ufuncs.

method

**static** ma.MaskedArray.**new**(*cls*, *data=None*, *mask=False*, *dtype=None*, *copy=False*, *subok=True*, *ndmin=0*, *fill\_value=None*, *keep\_mask=True*, *hard\_mask=None*, *shrink=True*, *order=None*)

Create a new masked array from scratch.

## Notes

A masked array can also be created by taking a .view(MaskedArray).

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__array__([dtype], /)` → reference if type unchanged, copy otherwise.

Returns either a new reference to self if dtype is not given or a new array of provided data type if dtype is different from the current dtype of the array.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__array_wrap__(obj, context=None)`

Special hook for ufuncs.

Wraps the numpy array and sets the mask according to context.

Container customization: (see [Indexing](#))

<code>MaskedArray.__len__()</code>	Return len(self).
<code>MaskedArray.__getitem__(<i>indx</i>)</code>	<code>x.__getitem__(y) &lt;==&gt; x[y]</code>
<code>MaskedArray.__setitem__(<i>indx</i>, <i>value</i>)</code>	<code>x.__setitem__(i, y) &lt;==&gt; x[i]=y</code>
<code>MaskedArray.__delitem__(<i>key</i>, /)</code>	Delete self[key].
<code>MaskedArray.__contains__(<i>key</i>, /)</code>	Return key in self.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__len__()`

Return len(self).

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__getitem__(indx)`

`x.__getitem__(y) <==> x[y]`

Return the item described by i, as a masked array.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__setitem__(indx, value)`

`x.__setitem__(i, y) <==> x[i]=y`

Set item described by index. If value is masked, masks those locations.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__delitem__(key, /)`

Delete self[key].

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__contains__(key, /)`

Return key in self.

## Specific methods

### Handling the mask

The following methods can be used to access information about the mask or to manipulate the mask.

<code>MaskedArray.__setmask__(mask[, copy])</code>	Set the mask.
<code>MaskedArray.harden_mask()</code>	Force the mask to hard, preventing unmasking by assignment.
<code>MaskedArray.soften_mask()</code>	Force the mask to soft (default), allowing unmasking by assignment.
<code>MaskedArray.unshare_mask()</code>	Copy the mask and set the <code>sharedmask</code> flag to <code>False</code> .
<code>MaskedArray.shrink_mask()</code>	Reduce a mask to nomask when possible.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.__setmask__(mask, copy=False)`

Set the mask.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.harden_mask()`

Force the mask to hard, preventing unmasking by assignment.

Whether the mask of a masked array is hard or soft is determined by its `hardmask` property. `harden_mask` sets `hardmask` to `True` (and returns the modified self).

See also:

`ma.MaskedArray.hardmask`

`ma.MaskedArray.soften_mask`

method

`ma.MaskedArray.soften_mask()`

Force the mask to soft (default), allowing unmasking by assignment.

Whether the mask of a masked array is hard or soft is determined by its `hardmask` property. `soften_mask` sets `hardmask` to `False` (and returns the modified self).

See also:

`ma.MaskedArray.hardmask`

`ma.MaskedArray.harden_mask`

method

`ma.MaskedArray.unshare_mask()`

Copy the mask and set the `sharedmask` flag to `False`.

Whether the mask is shared between masked arrays can be seen from the `sharedmask` property. `unshare_mask` ensures the mask is not shared. A copy of the mask is only made if it was shared.

See also:

`sharedmask`

method

`ma.MaskedArray.shrink_mask()`

Reduce a mask to nomask when possible.

#### Parameters

`None`

#### Returns

`None`

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]], mask=[0]*4)
>>> x.mask
array([[False, False],
       [False, False]])
>>> x.shrink_mask()
masked_array(
  data=[[1, 2],
        [3, 4]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.mask
False
```

### Handling the `fill_value`

<code>MaskedArray.get_fill_value()</code>	The filling value of the masked array is a scalar.
<code>MaskedArray.set_fill_value([value])</code>	

method

`ma.MaskedArray.get_fill_value()`

The filling value of the masked array is a scalar. When setting, `None` will set to a default based on the data type.

### Examples

```
>>> for dt in [np.int32, np.int64, np.float64, np.complex128]:
...     np.ma.array([0, 1], dtype=dt).get_fill_value()
...
999999
999999
1e+20
(1e+20+0j)
```

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([0, 1.], fill_value=-np.inf)
>>> x.fill_value
-inf
>>> x.fill_value = np.pi
```

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```
>>> x.fill_value  
3.1415926535897931 # may vary
```

Reset to default:

```
>>> x.fill_value = None  
>>> x.fill_value  
1e+20
```

method

`ma.MaskedArray.set_fill_value(value=None)`

## Counting the missing elements

`MaskedArray.count([axis, keepdims])`

Count the non-masked elements of the array along the given axis.

method

`ma.MaskedArray.count(axis=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Count the non-masked elements of the array along the given axis.

### Parameters

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which the count is performed. The default, None, performs the count over all the dimensions of the input array. *axis* may be negative, in which case it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.10.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, the count is performed on multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

### Returns

#### result

[ndarray or scalar] An array with the same shape as the input array, with the specified axis removed. If the array is a 0-d array, or if *axis* is None, a scalar is returned.

### See also:

`ma.count_masked`

Count masked elements in array or along a given axis.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = ma.arange(6).reshape((2, 3))
>>> a[1, :] = ma.masked
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 1, 2],
        [--, --, --]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [ True,  True,  True]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> a.count()
3
```

When the `axis` keyword is specified an array of appropriate size is returned.

```
>>> a.count(axis=0)
array([1, 1, 1])
>>> a.count(axis=1)
array([3, 0])
```

## 1.7.7 Masked array operations

### Constants

<code>ma.MaskType</code>	alias of <code>numpy.bool_</code>
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`numpy.ma.MaskType`  
alias of `numpy.bool_`

### Creation

#### From existing data

<code>ma.masked_array</code>	alias of <code>numpy.ma.core.MaskedArray</code>
<code>ma.array(data[, dtype, copy, order, mask, ...])</code>	An array class with possibly masked values.
<code>ma.copy(self, *args, **params)</code>	a.copy(order=)
<code>ma.frombuffer(buffer[, dtype, count, ...])</code>	Return a copy of the array.
<code>ma.fromfunction(function, shape, **dtype)</code>	Interpret a buffer as a 1-dimensional array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.copy([order])</code>	Construct an array by executing a function over each coordinate.
	Return a copy of the array.

`ma.copy(self, *args, **params)` a.copy(order='C') = <`numpy.ma.core._frommethod` object>

Return a copy of the array.

#### Parameters

`order`

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, ‘K’}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the copy. ‘C’ means C-order, ‘F’ means F-order, ‘A’ means ‘F’ if *a* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise. ‘K’ means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible. (Note that this function and `numpy.copy` are very similar but have different default values for their `order=` arguments, and this function always passes sub-classes through.)

### See also:

`numpy.copy`

Similar function with different default behavior

`numpy.copyto`

### Notes

This function is the preferred method for creating an array copy. The function `numpy.copy` is similar, but it defaults to using order ‘K’, and will not pass sub-classes through by default.

### Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='F')
```

```
>>> y = x.copy()
```

```
>>> x.fill(0)
```

```
>>> x
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> y.flags['C_CONTIGUOUS']
True
```

```
ma.frombuffer(buffer, dtype=float, count=-1, offset=0, *, like=None) =
    <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>
```

Interpret a buffer as a 1-dimensional array.

#### Parameters

##### buffer

[buffer\_like] An object that exposes the buffer interface.

##### dtype

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the returned array; default: float.

##### count

[int, optional] Number of items to read. -1 means all data in the buffer.

**offset**

[int, optional] Start reading the buffer from this offset (in bytes); default: 0.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns**

**out:** `MaskedArray`

**Notes**

If the buffer has data that is not in machine byte-order, this should be specified as part of the data-type, e.g.:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype(int)
>>> dt = dt.newbyteorder('>')
>>> np.frombuffer(buf, dtype=dt)
```

The data of the resulting array will not be byteswapped, but will be interpreted correctly.

This function creates a view into the original object. This should be safe in general, but it may make sense to copy the result when the original object is mutable or untrusted.

**Examples**

```
>>> s = b'hello world'
>>> np.frombuffer(s, dtype='S1', count=5, offset=6)
array([b'w', b'o', b'r', b'l', b'd'], dtype='|S1')
```

```
>>> np.frombuffer(b'\x01\x02', dtype=np.uint8)
array([1, 2], dtype=uint8)
>>> np.frombuffer(b'\x01\x02\x03\x04\x05', dtype=np.uint8, count=3)
array([1, 2, 3], dtype=uint8)
```

`ma.fromfunction(function, shape, **dtype) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Construct an array by executing a function over each coordinate.

The resulting array therefore has a value `fn(x, y, z)` at coordinate `(x, y, z)`.

**Parameters****function**

[callable] The function is called with N parameters, where N is the rank of `shape`. Each parameter represents the coordinates of the array varying along a specific axis. For example, if `shape` were `(2, 2)`, then the parameters would be `array([[0, 0], [1, 1]])` and `array([[0, 1], [0, 1]])`

**shape**

[(N,) tuple of ints] Shape of the output array, which also determines the shape of the coordinate arrays passed to *function*.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the coordinate arrays passed to *function*. By default, *dtype* is float.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as *like* supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****fromfunction: MaskedArray**

The result of the call to *function* is passed back directly. Therefore the shape of *fromfunction* is completely determined by *function*. If *function* returns a scalar value, the shape of *fromfunction* would not match the *shape* parameter.

**See also:**

[indices](#), [meshgrid](#)

**Notes**

Keywords other than *dtype* are passed to *function*.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.fromfunction(lambda i, j: i, (2, 2), dtype=float)
array([[0., 0.],
       [1., 1.]])
```

```
>>> np.fromfunction(lambda i, j: j, (2, 2), dtype=float)
array([[0., 1.],
       [0., 1.]])
```

```
>>> np.fromfunction(lambda i, j: i == j, (3, 3), dtype=int)
array([[True, False, False],
       [False, True, False],
       [False, False, True]])
```

```
>>> np.fromfunction(lambda i, j: i + j, (3, 3), dtype=int)
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [1, 2, 3],
       [2, 3, 4]])
```

## Ones and zeros

<code>ma.empty(shape[, dtype, order, like])</code>	Return a new array of given shape and type, without initializing entries.
<code>ma.empty_like(prototype[, dtype, order, ...])</code>	Return a new array with the same shape and type as a given array.
<code>ma.masked_all(shape[, dtype])</code>	Empty masked array with all elements masked.
<code>ma.masked_all_like(arr)</code>	Empty masked array with the properties of an existing array.
<code>ma.ones(shape[, dtype, order])</code>	Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with ones.
<code>ma.ones_like(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Return an array of ones with the same shape and type as a given array.
<code>ma.zeros(shape[, dtype, order, like])</code>	Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with zeros.
<code>ma.zeros_like(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Return an array of zeros with the same shape and type as a given array.

`ma.empty(shape, dtype=float, order='C', *, like=None) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Return a new array of given shape and type, without initializing entries.

### Parameters

#### shape

[int or tuple of int] Shape of the empty array, e.g., (2, 3) or 2.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Desired output data-type for the array, e.g., `numpy.int8`. Default is `numpy.float64`.

#### order

[{'C', 'F'}, optional, default: 'C'] Whether to store multi-dimensional data in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

#### like

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### out

[MaskedArray] Array of uninitialized (arbitrary) data of the given shape, dtype, and order. Object arrays will be initialized to None.

### See also:

#### `empty_like`

Return an empty array with shape and type of input.

**ones**

Return a new array setting values to one.

**zeros**

Return a new array setting values to zero.

**full**

Return a new array of given shape filled with value.

## Notes

`empty`, unlike `zeros`, does not set the array values to zero, and may therefore be marginally faster. On the other hand, it requires the user to manually set all the values in the array, and should be used with caution.

## Examples

```
>>> np.empty([2, 2])
array([[ -9.74499359e+001,   6.69583040e-309],
       [  2.13182611e-314,   3.06959433e-309]])      #uninitialized
```

```
>>> np.empty([2, 2], dtype=int)
array([[-1073741821, -1067949133],
       [ 496041986,   19249760]])                  #uninitialized
```

`ma.empty_like(prototype, dtype=None, order='K', subok=True, shape=None) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Return a new array with the same shape and type as a given array.

### Parameters

**prototype**

[array\_like] The shape and data-type of *prototype* define these same attributes of the returned array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Overrides the data type of the result.

New in version 1.6.0.

**order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', or 'K'}, optional] Overrides the memory layout of the result. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *prototype* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *prototype* as closely as possible.

New in version 1.6.0.

**subok**

[bool, optional.] If True, then the newly created array will use the sub-class type of *prototype*, otherwise it will be a base-class array. Defaults to True.

**shape**

[int or sequence of ints, optional.] Overrides the shape of the result. If order='K' and the number of dimensions is unchanged, will try to keep order, otherwise, order='C' is implied.

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns****out**

[MaskedArray] Array of uninitialized (arbitrary) data with the same shape and type as *proto-type*.

**See also:****`ones_like`**

Return an array of ones with shape and type of input.

**`zeros_like`**

Return an array of zeros with shape and type of input.

**`full_like`**

Return a new array with shape of input filled with value.

**`empty`**

Return a new uninitialized array.

**Notes**

This function does *not* initialize the returned array; to do that use `zeros_like` or `ones_like` instead. It may be marginally faster than the functions that do set the array values.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = ([[1,2,3], [4,5,6]])                                     # a is array-like
>>> np.empty_like(a)
array([[-1073741821, -1073741821,           3],      # uninitialized
       [          0,           0, -1073741821]])
>>> a = np.array([[1., 2., 3.],[4., 5., 6.]])
>>> np.empty_like(a)
array([[ -2.00000715e+000,   1.48219694e-323, -2.00000572e+000], # uninitialized
       [  4.38791518e-305, -2.00000715e+000,   4.17269252e-309]])
```

`ma.empty_all(shape, dtype=<class 'float'>)`

Empty masked array with all elements masked.

Return an empty masked array of the given shape and dtype, where all the data are masked.

**Parameters****shape**

[int or tuple of ints] Shape of the required MaskedArray, e.g., (2, 3) or 2.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] Data type of the output.

**Returns****a**

[MaskedArray] A masked array with all data masked.

See also:

**`masked_all_like`**

Empty masked array modelled on an existing array.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> ma.masked_all((3, 3))
masked_array(
  data=[[--, --, --],
        [--, --, --],
        [--, --, --]],
  mask=[[ True,  True,  True],
        [ True,  True,  True],
        [ True,  True,  True]],
  fill_value=1e+20,
  dtype=float64)
```

The `dtype` parameter defines the underlying data type.

```
>>> a = ma.masked_all((3, 3))
>>> a.dtype
dtype('float64')
>>> a = ma.masked_all((3, 3), dtype=np.int32)
>>> a.dtype
dtype('int32')
```

**ma.`masked_all_like`(arr)**

Empty masked array with the properties of an existing array.

Return an empty masked array of the same shape and dtype as the array *arr*, where all the data are masked.

**Parameters****arr**

[ndarray] An array describing the shape and dtype of the required MaskedArray.

**Returns****a**

[MaskedArray] A masked array with all data masked.

**Raises**

**AttributeError**

If *arr* doesn't have a shape attribute (i.e. not an ndarray)

**See also:**

**[masked\\_all](#)**

Empty masked array with all elements masked.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> arr = np.zeros((2, 3), dtype=np.float32)
>>> arr
array([[0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0.]], dtype=float32)
>>> ma.masked_all_like(arr)
masked_array(
  data=[[--, --, --],
        [--, --, --]],
  mask=[[ True,  True,  True],
        [ True,  True,  True]],
  fill_value=1e+20,
  dtype=float32)
```

The dtype of the masked array matches the dtype of *arr*.

```
>>> arr.dtype
dtype('float32')
>>> ma.masked_all_like(arr).dtype
dtype('float32')
```

**ma.ones**(*shape*, *dtype=None*, *order='C'*) = <[numpy.ma.core.\\_convert2ma](#) object>

Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with ones.

**Parameters****shape**

[int or sequence of ints] Shape of the new array, e.g., (2, 3) or 2.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] The desired data-type for the array, e.g., [numpy.int8](#). Default is [numpy.float64](#).

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional, default: C] Whether to store multi-dimensional data in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as *like* supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[MaskedArray] Array of ones with the given shape, dtype, and order.

**See also:****`ones_like`**

Return an array of ones with shape and type of input.

**`empty`**

Return a new uninitialized array.

**`zeros`**

Return a new array setting values to zero.

**`full`**

Return a new array of given shape filled with value.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.ones(5)
array([1., 1., 1., 1., 1.])
```

```
>>> np.ones((5,), dtype=int)
array([1, 1, 1, 1, 1])
```

```
>>> np.ones((2, 1))
array([[1.],
       [1.]])
```

```
>>> s = (2,2)
>>> np.ones(s)
array([[1., 1.],
       [1., 1.]])
```

`ma.ones_like(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Return an array of ones with the same shape and type as a given array.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] The shape and data-type of *a* define these same attributes of the returned array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Overrides the data type of the result.

New in version 1.6.0.

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, or ‘K’}, optional] Overrides the memory layout of the result. ‘C’ means C-order, ‘F’ means F-order, ‘A’ means ‘F’ if *a* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise. ‘K’ means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible.

New in version 1.6.0.

### subok

[bool, optional.] If True, then the newly created array will use the sub-class type of *a*, otherwise it will be a base-class array. Defaults to True.

### shape

[int or sequence of ints, optional.] Overrides the shape of the result. If order=’K’ and the number of dimensions is unchanged, will try to keep order, otherwise, order=’C’ is implied.

New in version 1.17.0.

## Returns

### out

[MaskedArray] Array of ones with the same shape and type as *a*.

## See also:

### [`empty\_like`](#)

Return an empty array with shape and type of input.

### [`zeros\_like`](#)

Return an array of zeros with shape and type of input.

### [`full\_like`](#)

Return a new array with shape of input filled with value.

### [`ones`](#)

Return a new array setting values to one.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(6)
>>> x = x.reshape((2, 3))
>>> x
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.ones_like(x)
array([[1, 1, 1],
       [1, 1, 1]])
```

```
>>> y = np.arange(3, dtype=float)
>>> y
array([0., 1., 2.])
>>> np.ones_like(y)
array([1., 1., 1.])
```

`ma.zeros(shape, dtype=float, order='C', *, like=None) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with zeros.

### Parameters

#### `shape`

[int or tuple of ints] Shape of the new array, e.g., (2, 3) or 2.

#### `dtype`

[data-type, optional] The desired data-type for the array, e.g., `numpy.int8`. Default is `numpy.float64`.

#### `order`

[{'C', 'F'}, optional, default: 'C'] Whether to store multi-dimensional data in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

#### `like`

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### `out`

[MaskedArray] Array of zeros with the given shape, `dtype`, and `order`.

### See also:

#### `zeros\_like`

Return an array of zeros with shape and type of input.

#### `empty`

Return a new uninitialized array.

#### `ones`

Return a new array setting values to one.

#### `full`

Return a new array of given shape filled with value.

## Examples

```
>>> np.zeros(5)
array([ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.])
```

```
>>> np.zeros((5,), dtype=int)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
```

```
>>> np.zeros((2, 1))
array([[ 0.],
       [ 0.]])
```

```
>>> s = (2,2)
>>> np.zeros(s)
array([[ 0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.]])
```

```
>>> np.zeros((2,), dtype=[('x', 'i4'), ('y', 'i4')]) # custom dtype
array([(0, 0), (0, 0)],
      dtype=[('x', '<i4'), ('y', '<i4')])
```

`ma.zeros_like(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Return an array of zeros with the same shape and type as a given array.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] The shape and data-type of *a* define these same attributes of the returned array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Overrides the data type of the result.

New in version 1.6.0.

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', or 'K'}, optional] Overrides the memory layout of the result. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible.

New in version 1.6.0.

#### subok

[bool, optional.] If True, then the newly created array will use the sub-class type of *a*, otherwise it will be a base-class array. Defaults to True.

#### shape

[int or sequence of ints, optional.] Overrides the shape of the result. If order='K' and the number of dimensions is unchanged, will try to keep order, otherwise, order='C' is implied.

New in version 1.17.0.

### Returns

#### out

[MaskedArray] Array of zeros with the same shape and type as *a*.

See also:

[`empty\_like`](#)

Return an empty array with shape and type of input.

[`ones\_like`](#)

Return an array of ones with shape and type of input.

[`full\_like`](#)

Return a new array with shape of input filled with value.

[`zeros`](#)

Return a new array setting values to zero.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(6)
>>> x = x.reshape((2, 3))
>>> x
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.zeros_like(x)
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y = np.arange(3, dtype=float)
>>> y
array([0., 1., 2.])
>>> np.zeros_like(y)
array([0., 0., 0.])
```

## Inspecting the array

<code>ma.all(self[, axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.
<code>ma.any(self[, axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns True if any of the elements of <i>a</i> evaluate to True.
<code>ma.count(self[, axis, keepdims])</code>	Count the non-masked elements of the array along the given axis.
<code>ma.count_masked(arr[, axis])</code>	Count the number of masked elements along the given axis.
<code>ma.getmask(a)</code>	Return the mask of a masked array, or nomask.
<code>ma.getmaskarray(arr)</code>	Return the mask of a masked array, or full boolean array of False.
<code>ma.getdata(a[, subok])</code>	Return the data of a masked array as an ndarray.
<code>ma.nonzero(self)</code>	Return the indices of unmasked elements that are not zero.
<code>ma.shape(obj)</code>	Return the shape of an array.
<code>ma.size(obj[, axis])</code>	Return the number of elements along a given axis.
<code>ma.isMasked(x)</code>	Determine whether input has masked values.
<code>ma.isMask(m)</code>	Return True if m is a valid, standard mask.
<code>ma.isMaskedArray(x)</code>	Test whether input is an instance of MaskedArray.
<code>ma.isMA(x)</code>	Test whether input is an instance of MaskedArray.
<code>ma.isarray(x)</code>	Test whether input is an instance of MaskedArray.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.all([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.any([axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns True if any of the elements of <i>a</i> evaluate to True.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.count([axis, keepdims])</code>	Count the non-masked elements of the array along the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.nonzero()</code>	Return the indices of unmasked elements that are not zero.
<code>ma.shape(obj)</code>	Return the shape of an array.
<code>ma.size(obj[, axis])</code>	Return the number of elements along a given axis.

`ma.all (self, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Returns True if all elements evaluate to True.

The output array is masked where all the values along the given axis are masked: if the output would have been a scalar and that all the values are masked, then the output is *masked*.

Refer to [numpy.all](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`numpy.ndarray.all`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[`numpy.all`](#)

equivalent function

## Examples

```
>>> np.ma.array([1,2,3]).all()
True
>>> a = np.ma.array([1,2,3], mask=True)
>>> (a.all() is np.ma.masked)
True
```

`ma.any(self, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>)` = <[numpy.ma.core.\\_frommethod object](#)>

Returns True if any of the elements of *a* evaluate to True.

Masked values are considered as False during computation.

Refer to [numpy.any](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[numpy.ndarray.any](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[numpy.any](#)

equivalent function

`ma.count(self, axis=None, keepdims=<no value>)` = <[numpy.ma.core.\\_frommethod object](#)>

Count the non-masked elements of the array along the given axis.

**Parameters**

**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which the count is performed. The default, None, performs the count over all the dimensions of the input array. *axis* may be negative, in which case it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.10.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, the count is performed on multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

**Returns**

**result**

[ndarray or scalar] An array with the same shape as the input array, with the specified axis removed. If the array is a 0-d array, or if *axis* is None, a scalar is returned.

**See also:**

[ma.count\\_masked](#)

Count masked elements in array or along a given axis.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = ma.arange(6).reshape((2, 3))
>>> a[1, :] = ma.masked
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 1, 2],
        [--, --, --]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [ True,  True,  True]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> a.count()
3
```

When the `axis` keyword is specified an array of appropriate size is returned.

```
>>> a.count(axis=0)
array([1, 1, 1])
>>> a.count(axis=1)
array([3, 0])
```

`ma.count_masked(arr, axis=None)`

Count the number of masked elements along the given axis.

### Parameters

#### arr

[array\_like] An array with (possibly) masked elements.

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to count. If None (default), a flattened version of the array is used.

### Returns

#### count

[int, ndarray] The total number of masked elements (axis=None) or the number of masked elements along each slice of the given axis.

See also:

[`MaskedArray.count`](#)

Count non-masked elements.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(9).reshape((3,3))
>>> a = ma.array(a)
>>> a[1, 0] = ma.masked
>>> a[1, 2] = ma.masked
>>> a[2, 1] = ma.masked
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 1, 2],
        [--, 4, --],
        [6, --, 8]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> ma.count_masked(a)
3
```

When the `axis` keyword is used an array is returned.

```
>>> ma.count_masked(a, axis=0)
array([1, 1, 1])
>>> ma.count_masked(a, axis=1)
array([0, 2, 1])
```

`ma.getmask(a)`

Return the mask of a masked array, or `nomask`.

Return the mask of `a` as an ndarray if `a` is a `MaskedArray` and the mask is not `nomask`, else return `nomask`. To guarantee a full array of booleans of the same shape as `a`, use `getmaskarray`.

### Parameters

`a`

[array\_like] Input `MaskedArray` for which the mask is required.

**See also:**

[`getdata`](#)

Return the data of a masked array as an ndarray.

[`getmaskarray`](#)

Return the mask of a masked array, or full array of False.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = ma.masked_equal([[1, 2], [3, 4]], 2)
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --],
        [3, 4]],
  mask=[[False,  True],
        [False, False]],
  fill_value=2)
>>> ma.getmask(a)
array([[False,  True],
       [False, False]])
```

Equivalently use the *MaskedArray* *mask* attribute.

```
>>> a.mask
array([[False,  True],
       [False, False]])
```

Result when mask == *nomask*

```
>>> b = ma.masked_array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> b
masked_array(
  data=[[1, 2],
        [3, 4]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=999999)
>>> ma.nomask
False
>>> ma.getmask(b) == ma.nomask
True
>>> b.mask == ma.nomask
True
```

### ma.getmaskarray(*arr*)

Return the mask of a masked array, or full boolean array of False.

Return the mask of *arr* as an ndarray if *arr* is a *MaskedArray* and the mask is not *nomask*, else return a full boolean array of False of the same shape as *arr*.

#### Parameters

##### **arr**

[array\_like] Input *MaskedArray* for which the mask is required.

See also:

#### **getmask**

Return the mask of a masked array, or nomask.

#### **getdata**

Return the data of a masked array as an ndarray.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = ma.masked_equal([[1, 2], [3, 4]], 2)
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --],
        [3, 4]],
  mask=[[False,  True],
        [False, False]],
  fill_value=2)
>>> ma.getmaskarray(a)
array([[False,  True],
       [False, False]])
```

Result when mask == nomask

```
>>> b = ma.masked_array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> b
masked_array(
  data=[[1, 2],
        [3, 4]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=999999)
>>> ma.getmaskarray(b)
array([[False, False],
       [False, False]])
```

`ma.getdata(a, subok=True)`

Return the data of a masked array as an ndarray.

Return the data of *a* (if any) as an ndarray if *a* is a MaskedArray, else return *a* as a ndarray or subclass (depending on *subok*) if not.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input MaskedArray, alternatively a ndarray or a subclass thereof.

**subok**

[bool] Whether to force the output to be a *pure* ndarray (False) or to return a subclass of ndarray if appropriate (True, default).

**See also:**

**`getmask`**

Return the mask of a masked array, or nomask.

**`getmaskarray`**

Return the mask of a masked array, or full array of False.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = ma.masked_equal([[1, 2], [3, 4]], 2)
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --],
        [3, 4]],
  mask=[[False,  True],
        [False, False]],
  fill_value=2)
>>> ma.getdata(a)
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

Equivalently use the `MaskedArray data` attribute.

```
>>> a.data
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

`ma.nonzero(self) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Return the indices of unmasked elements that are not zero.

Returns a tuple of arrays, one for each dimension, containing the indices of the non-zero elements in that dimension. The corresponding non-zero values can be obtained with:

```
a[a.nonzero()]
```

To group the indices by element, rather than dimension, use instead:

```
np.transpose(a.nonzero())
```

The result of this is always a 2d array, with a row for each non-zero element.

### Parameters

**None**

**Returns**

**tuple\_of\_arrays**

[tuple] Indices of elements that are non-zero.

**See also:**

[`numpy.nonzero`](#)

Function operating on ndarrays.

[`flatnonzero`](#)

Return indices that are non-zero in the flattened version of the input array.

[`numpy.ndarray.nonzero`](#)

Equivalent ndarray method.

***count\_nonzero***

Counts the number of non-zero elements in the input array.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = ma.array(np.eye(3))
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1.,  0.,  0.],
        [0.,  1.,  0.],
        [0.,  0.,  1.]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=1e+20)
>>> x.nonzero()
(array([0, 1, 2]), array([0, 1, 2]))
```

Masked elements are ignored.

```
>>> x[1, 1] = ma.masked
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1.0,  0.0,  0.0],
        [0.0,  --,  0.0],
        [0.0,  0.0,  1.0]],
  mask=[[False,  False,  False],
        [False,  True,  False],
        [False,  False,  False]],
  fill_value=1e+20)
>>> x.nonzero()
(array([0, 2]), array([0, 2]))
```

Indices can also be grouped by element.

```
>>> np.transpose(x.nonzero())
array([[0, 0],
       [2, 2]])
```

A common use for nonzero is to find the indices of an array, where a condition is True. Given an array  $a$ , the condition  $a > 3$  is a boolean array and since False is interpreted as 0, ma.nonzero( $a > 3$ ) yields the indices of the  $a$  where the condition is true.

```
>>> a = ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]])
>>> a > 3
masked_array(
  data=[[False,  False,  False],
        [ True,  True,  True],
        [ True,  True,  True]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=True)
>>> ma.nonzero(a > 3)
(array([1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]), array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]))
```

The nonzero method of the condition array can also be called.

```
>>> (a > 3).nonzero()
(array([1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]), array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]))
```

`ma.shape(obj)`

Return the shape of an array.

### Parameters

`a`

[array\_like] Input array.

### Returns

`shape`

[tuple of ints] The elements of the shape tuple give the lengths of the corresponding array dimensions.

**See also:**

`len`

`len(a)` is equivalent to `np.shape(a)[0]` for N-D arrays with  $N \geq 1$ .

`ndarray.shape`

Equivalent array method.

### Examples

```
>>> np.shape(np.eye(3))
(3, 3)
>>> np.shape([[1, 3]])
(1, 2)
>>> np.shape([0])
(1,)
>>> np.shape(0)
()
```

```
>>> a = np.array([(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)],
...               dtype=[('x', 'i4'), ('y', 'i4')])
>>> np.shape(a)
(3,)
>>> a.shape
(3,)
```

`ma.size(obj, axis=None)`

Return the number of elements along a given axis.

### Parameters

`a`

[array\_like] Input data.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which the elements are counted. By default, give the total number of elements.

**Returns****element\_count**

[int] Number of elements along the specified axis.

See also:

**shape**

dimensions of array

**ndarray.shape**

dimensions of array

**ndarray.size**

number of elements in array

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])
>>> np.size(a)
6
>>> np.size(a, 1)
3
>>> np.size(a, 0)
2
```

**ma.is\_masked(x)**

Determine whether input has masked values.

Accepts any object as input, but always returns False unless the input is a MaskedArray containing masked values.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Array to check for masked values.

**Returns****result**

[bool] True if *x* is a MaskedArray with masked values, False otherwise.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = ma.masked_equal([0, 1, 0, 2, 3], 0)
>>> x
masked_array(data=[--, 1, --, 2, 3],
              mask=[ True, False,  True, False, False],
              fill_value=0)
>>> ma.is_masked(x)
True
>>> x = ma.masked_equal([0, 1, 0, 2, 3], 42)
>>> x
masked_array(data=[0, 1, 0, 2, 3],
              mask=False,
              fill_value=42)
>>> ma.is_masked(x)
False
```

Always returns False if *x* isn't a MaskedArray.

```
>>> x = [False, True, False]
>>> ma.is_masked(x)
False
>>> x = 'a string'
>>> ma.is_masked(x)
False
```

### `ma.is_mask(m)`

Return True if *m* is a valid, standard mask.

This function does not check the contents of the input, only that the type is MaskType. In particular, this function returns False if the mask has a flexible dtype.

#### Parameters

##### `m`

[array\_like] Array to test.

#### Returns

##### `result`

[bool] True if *m.dtype.type* is MaskType, False otherwise.

#### See also:

### `ma.isMaskedArray`

Test whether input is an instance of MaskedArray.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> m = ma.masked_equal([0, 1, 0, 2, 3], 0)
>>> m
masked_array(data=[--, 1, --, 2, 3],
              mask=[ True, False,  True, False, False],
              fill_value=0)
>>> ma.is_mask(m)
False
>>> ma.is_mask(m.mask)
True
```

Input must be an ndarray (or have similar attributes) for it to be considered a valid mask.

```
>>> m = [False, True, False]
>>> ma.is_mask(m)
False
>>> m = np.array([False, True, False])
>>> m
array([False,  True, False])
>>> ma.is_mask(m)
True
```

Arrays with complex dtypes don't return True.

```
>>> dtype = np.dtype({'names':['monty', 'python'],
...                   'formats':[bool, bool]})
>>> dtype
dtype([('monty', '|b1'), ('python', '|b1')])
>>> m = np.array([(True, False), (False, True), (True, False)],
...               dtype=dtype)
>>> m
array([( True, False), (False,  True), ( True, False)],
      dtype=[('monty', '?'), ('python', '?')])
>>> ma.is_mask(m)
False
```

### ma.isMaskedArray(x)

Test whether input is an instance of MaskedArray.

This function returns True if *x* is an instance of MaskedArray and returns False otherwise. Any object is accepted as input.

#### Parameters

**x**

[object] Object to test.

#### Returns

**result**

[bool] True if *x* is a MaskedArray.

See also:

***isMA***

Alias to `isMaskedArray`.

***isarray***

Alias to `isMaskedArray`.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.eye(3, 3)
>>> a
array([[ 1.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  1.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  1.]])
>>> m = ma.masked_values(a, 0)
>>> m
masked_array(
  data=[[1.0, --, --],
        [--, 1.0, --],
        [--, --, 1.0]],
  mask=[[False,  True,  True],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [ True,  True, False]],
  fill_value=0.0)
>>> ma.isMaskedArray(a)
False
>>> ma.isMaskedArray(m)
True
>>> ma.isMaskedArray([0, 1, 2])
False
```

**ma.*isMA*(*x*)**

Test whether input is an instance of `MaskedArray`.

This function returns `True` if *x* is an instance of `MaskedArray` and returns `False` otherwise. Any object is accepted as input.

**Parameters*****x***

[object] Object to test.

**Returns*****result***

[bool] `True` if *x* is a `MaskedArray`.

**See also:*****isMA***

Alias to `isMaskedArray`.

***isarray***

Alias to `isMaskedArray`.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.eye(3, 3)
>>> a
array([[ 1.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  1.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  1.]])
>>> m = ma.masked_values(a, 0)
>>> m
masked_array(
  data=[[1.0, --, --],
        [--, 1.0, --],
        [--, --, 1.0]],
  mask=[[False,  True,  True],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [ True,  True, False]],
  fill_value=0.0)
>>> ma.isMaskedArray(a)
False
>>> ma.isMaskedArray(m)
True
>>> ma.isMaskedArray([0, 1, 2])
False
```

### ma.isarray(*x*)

Test whether input is an instance of MaskedArray.

This function returns True if *x* is an instance of MaskedArray and returns False otherwise. Any object is accepted as input.

#### Parameters

**x**

[object] Object to test.

#### Returns

**result**

[bool] True if *x* is a MaskedArray.

#### See also:

[\*\*isMA\*\*](#)

Alias to isMaskedArray.

[\*\*isarray\*\*](#)

Alias to isMaskedArray.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.eye(3, 3)
>>> a
array([[ 1.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  1.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  1.]])
>>> m = ma.masked_values(a, 0)
>>> m
masked_array(
  data=[[1.0, --, --],
        [--, 1.0, --],
        [--, --, 1.0]],
  mask=[[False,  True,  True],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [ True,  True, False]],
  fill_value=0.0)
>>> ma.isMaskedArray(a)
False
>>> ma.isMaskedArray(m)
True
>>> ma.isMaskedArray([0, 1, 2])
False
```

<code>ma.MaskedArray.data</code>	Returns the underlying data, as a view of the masked array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.mask</code>	Current mask.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.recordmask</code>	Get or set the mask of the array if it has no named fields.

## Manipulating a MaskedArray

### Changing the shape

<code>ma.ravel(self[, order])</code>	Returns a 1D version of self, as a view.
<code>ma.reshape(a, new_shape[, order])</code>	Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.
<code>ma.resize(x, new_shape)</code>	Return a new masked array with the specified size and shape.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.flatten([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.ravel([order])</code>	Returns a 1D version of self, as a view.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.reshape(*s, **kwargs)</code>	Give a new shape to the array without changing its data.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.resize(newshape[, refcheck, ...])</code>	

`ma.ravel (self, order='C') = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Returns a 1D version of self, as a view.

#### Parameters

`order`

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, ‘K’}, optional] The elements of  $a$  are read using this index order. ‘C’ means to index the elements in C-like order, with the last axis index changing fastest, back to the first axis index changing slowest. ‘F’ means to index the elements in Fortran-like index order, with the first index changing fastest, and the last index changing slowest. Note that the ‘C’ and ‘F’ options take no account of the memory layout of the underlying array, and only refer to the order of axis indexing. ‘A’ means to read the elements in Fortran-like index order if  $m$  is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, C-like order otherwise. ‘K’ means to read the elements in the order they occur in memory, except for reversing the data when strides are negative. By default, ‘C’ index order is used.

## Returns

### **MaskedArray**

Output view is of shape `(self.size,)` (or `(np.ma.product(self.shape),)`).

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]], mask=[0] + [1,0]*4)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [--, 5, --],
        [7, --, 9]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.ravel()
masked_array(data=[1, --, 3, --, 5, --, 7, --, 9],
             mask=[False,  True, False,  True, False,  True, False,
                   False],
             fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.reshape(a, new_shape, order='C')`

Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.

Refer to `MaskedArray.reshape` for full documentation.

**See also:**

### **MaskedArray.reshape**

equivalent function

`ma.resize(x, new_shape)`

Return a new masked array with the specified size and shape.

This is the masked equivalent of the `numpy.resize` function. The new array is filled with repeated copies of  $x$  (in the order that the data are stored in memory). If  $x$  is masked, the new array will be masked, and the new mask will be a repetition of the old one.

**See also:**

### **numpy.resize**

Equivalent function in the top level NumPy module.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = ma.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> a[0, 1] = ma.masked
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --],
        [3, 4]],
  mask=[[False,  True],
        [False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> np.resize(a, (3, 3))
masked_array(
  data=[[1, 2, 3],
        [4, 1, 2],
        [3, 4, 1]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=999999)
>>> ma.resize(a, (3, 3))
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [4, 1, --],
        [3, 4, 1]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [False, False,  True],
        [False, False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

A MaskedArray is always returned, regardless of the input type.

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> ma.resize(a, (3, 3))
masked_array(
  data=[[1, 2, 3],
        [4, 1, 2],
        [3, 4, 1]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=999999)
```

## Modifying axes

<code>ma.swapaxes(self, *args, ...)</code>	Return a view of the array with <i>axis1</i> and <i>axis2</i> interchanged.
<code>ma.transpose(a[, axes])</code>	Permute the dimensions of an array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.swapaxes(axis1, axis2)</code>	Return a view of the array with <i>axis1</i> and <i>axis2</i> interchanged.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.transpose(*axes)</code>	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.

`ma.swapaxes(self, *args, **params)` `a.swapaxes(axis1, axis2) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Return a view of the array with *axis1* and *axis2* interchanged.

Refer to `numpy.swapaxes` for full documentation.

See also:

***numpy.swapaxes***

equivalent function

`ma.transpose(a, axes=None)`

Permute the dimensions of an array.

This function is exactly equivalent to `numpy.transpose`.

**See also:**

***numpy.transpose***

Equivalent function in top-level NumPy module.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> x = ma.arange(4).reshape((2,2))
>>> x[1, 1] = ma.masked
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 1],
        [2, --]],
  mask=[[False, False],
        [False, True]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> ma.transpose(x)
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 2],
        [1, --]],
  mask=[[False, False],
        [False, True]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

## Changing the number of dimensions

<code>ma.atleast_1d(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Convert inputs to arrays with at least one dimension.
<code>ma.atleast_2d(*args, **kwargs)</code>	View inputs as arrays with at least two dimensions.
<code>ma.atleast_3d(*args, **kwargs)</code>	View inputs as arrays with at least three dimensions.
<code>ma.expand_dims(a, axis)</code>	Expand the shape of an array.
<code>ma.squeeze(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Remove axes of length one from <i>a</i> .
<code>ma.MaskedArray.squeeze([axis])</code>	Remove axes of length one from <i>a</i> .
<code>ma.stack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.
<code>ma.column_stack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.
<code>ma.concatenate(arrays[, axis])</code>	Concatenate a sequence of arrays along the given axis.
<code>ma.dstack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).
<code>ma.hstack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).
<code>ma.hsplit(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Split an array into multiple sub-arrays horizontally (column-wise).
<code>ma.mr_</code>	Translate slice objects to concatenation along the first axis.
<code>ma.row_stack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).
<code>ma.vstack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

---

```
ma.atleast_1d(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_allargs object>
```

Convert inputs to arrays with at least one dimension.

Scalar inputs are converted to 1-dimensional arrays, whilst higher-dimensional inputs are preserved.

### Parameters

**arys1, arys2, ...**

[array\_like] One or more input arrays.

### Returns

**ret**

[ndarray] An array, or list of arrays, each with `a.ndim >= 1`. Copies are made only if necessary.

See also:

[`atleast\_2d`](#), [`atleast\_3d`](#)

### Notes

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

### Examples

```
>>> np.atleast_1d(1.0)
array([1.])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(9.0).reshape(3,3)
>>> np.atleast_1d(x)
array([[0., 1., 2.],
       [3., 4., 5.],
       [6., 7., 8.]])
>>> np.atleast_1d(x) is x
True
```

```
>>> np.atleast_1d(1, [3, 4])
[array([1]), array([3, 4])]
```

---

```
ma.atleast_2d(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_allargs object>
```

View inputs as arrays with at least two dimensions.

### Parameters

**arys1, arys2, ...**

[array\_like] One or more array-like sequences. Non-array inputs are converted to arrays. Arrays that already have two or more dimensions are preserved.

### Returns

**res, res2, ...**

[ndarray] An array, or list of arrays, each with `a.ndim >= 2`. Copies are avoided where possible, and views with two or more dimensions are returned.

See also:

[`atleast\_1d`](#), [`atleast\_3d`](#)

## Notes

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

## Examples

```
>>> np.atleast_2d(3.0)
array([[3.]])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.atleast_2d(x)
array([[0., 1., 2.]])
>>> np.atleast_2d(x).base is x
True
```

```
>>> np.atleast_2d(1, [1, 2], [[1, 2]])
[array([[1]]), array([[1, 2]]), array([[1, 2]])]
```

`ma.atleast_3d(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_allargs object>`

View inputs as arrays with at least three dimensions.

### Parameters

**arys1, arys2, ...**

[array\_like] One or more array-like sequences. Non-array inputs are converted to arrays. Arrays that already have three or more dimensions are preserved.

### Returns

**res1, res2, ...**

[ndarray] An array, or list of arrays, each with `a.ndim >= 3`. Copies are avoided where possible, and views with three or more dimensions are returned. For example, a 1-D array of shape `(N,)` becomes a view of shape `(1, N, 1)`, and a 2-D array of shape `(M, N)` becomes a view of shape `(M, N, 1)`.

See also:

[`atleast\_1d`](#), [`atleast\_2d`](#)

## Notes

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

## Examples

```
>>> np.atleast_3d(3.0)
array([[[3.]]])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.atleast_3d(x).shape
(1, 3, 1)
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(12.0).reshape(4, 3)
>>> np.atleast_3d(x).shape
(4, 3, 1)
>>> np.atleast_3d(x).base is x.base # x is a reshape, so not base itself
True
```

```
>>> for arr in np.atleast_3d([1, 2], [[1, 2]], [[[1, 2]]]):
...     print(arr, arr.shape)
...
[[[1
 [2]]]] (1, 2, 1)
[[[1
 [2]]]] (1, 2, 1)
[[[1 2]]] (1, 1, 2)
```

### ma.`expand_dims`(*a*, *axis*)

Expand the shape of an array.

Insert a new axis that will appear at the *axis* position in the expanded array shape.

#### Parameters

##### **a**

[array\_like] Input array.

##### **axis**

[int or tuple of ints] Position in the expanded axes where the new axis (or axes) is placed.

Deprecated since version 1.13.0: Passing an axis where `axis > a.ndim` will be treated as `axis == a.ndim`, and passing `axis < -a.ndim - 1` will be treated as `axis == 0`. This behavior is deprecated.

Changed in version 1.18.0: A tuple of axes is now supported. Out of range axes as described above are now forbidden and raise an `AxisError`.

#### Returns

##### **result**

[ndarray] View of *a* with the number of dimensions increased.

#### See also:

**squeeze**

The inverse operation, removing singleton dimensions

**reshape**

Insert, remove, and combine dimensions, and resize existing ones

`doc.indexing, atleast_1d, atleast_2d, atleast_3d`

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2])
>>> x.shape
(2,)
```

The following is equivalent to `x[np.newaxis, :]` or `x[np.newaxis]`:

```
>>> y = np.expand_dims(x, axis=0)
>>> y
array([[1, 2]])
>>> y.shape
(1, 2)
```

The following is equivalent to `x[:, np.newaxis]`:

```
>>> y = np.expand_dims(x, axis=1)
>>> y
array([[1,
       2]])
>>> y.shape
(2, 1)
```

`axis` may also be a tuple:

```
>>> y = np.expand_dims(x, axis=(0, 1))
>>> y
array([[[1, 2]]])
```

```
>>> y = np.expand_dims(x, axis=(2, 0))
>>> y
array([[[1,
       2]]])
```

Note that some examples may use `None` instead of `np.newaxis`. These are the same objects:

```
>>> np.newaxis is None
True
```

`ma.squeeze(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Remove axes of length one from `a`.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input data.

**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] New in version 1.7.0.

Selects a subset of the entries of length one in the shape. If an axis is selected with shape entry greater than one, an error is raised.

**Returns****squeezed**

[MaskedArray] The input array, but with all or a subset of the dimensions of length 1 removed. This is always *a* itself or a view into *a*. Note that if all axes are squeezed, the result is a 0d array and not a scalar.

**Raises****ValueError**

If *axis* is not None, and an axis being squeezed is not of length 1

**See also:*****expand\_dims***

The inverse operation, adding entries of length one

***reshape***

Insert, remove, and combine dimensions, and resize existing ones

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([[[0], [1], [2]]])
>>> x.shape
(1, 3, 1)
>>> np.squeeze(x).shape
(3, )
>>> np.squeeze(x, axis=0).shape
(3, 1)
>>> np.squeeze(x, axis=1).shape
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot select an axis to squeeze out which has size not equal to one
>>> np.squeeze(x, axis=2).shape
(1, 3)
>>> x = np.array([[1234]])
>>> x.shape
(1, 1)
>>> np.squeeze(x)
array(1234) # 0d array
>>> np.squeeze(x).shape
()
>>> np.squeeze(x) []
1234
```

```
ma.stack(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_seq object>
```

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

The `axis` parameter specifies the index of the new axis in the dimensions of the result. For example, if `axis=0` it will be the first dimension and if `axis=-1` it will be the last dimension.

New in version 1.10.0.

### Parameters

#### arrays

[sequence of array\_like] Each array must have the same shape.

#### axis

[int, optional] The axis in the result array along which the input arrays are stacked.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] If provided, the destination to place the result. The shape must be correct, matching that of what `stack` would have returned if no `out` argument were specified.

### Returns

#### stacked

[ndarray] The stacked array has one more dimension than the input arrays.

### See also:

#### [concatenate](#)

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

#### [block](#)

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

#### [split](#)

Split array into a list of multiple sub-arrays of equal size.

### Notes

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

### Examples

```
>>> arrays = [np.random.randn(3, 4) for _ in range(10)]
>>> np.stack(arrays, axis=0).shape
(10, 3, 4)
```

```
>>> np.stack(arrays, axis=1).shape
(3, 10, 4)
```

```
>>> np.stack(arrays, axis=2).shape
(3, 4, 10)
```

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> np.stack((a, b))
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> np.stack((a, b), axis=-1)
array([[1, 4],
       [2, 5],
       [3, 6]])
```

`ma.column_stack(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_seq object>`

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

Take a sequence of 1-D arrays and stack them as columns to make a single 2-D array. 2-D arrays are stacked as-is, just like with `hstack`. 1-D arrays are turned into 2-D columns first.

### Parameters

#### `tup`

[sequence of 1-D or 2-D arrays.] Arrays to stack. All of them must have the same first dimension.

### Returns

#### `stacked`

[2-D array] The array formed by stacking the given arrays.

### See also:

`stack, hstack, vstack, concatenate`

### Notes

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array((1,2,3))
>>> b = np.array((2,3,4))
>>> np.column_stack((a,b))
array([[1, 2],
       [2, 3],
       [3, 4]])
```

`ma.concatenate(arrays, axis=0)`

Concatenate a sequence of arrays along the given axis.

### Parameters

#### `arrays`

[sequence of array\_like] The arrays must have the same shape, except in the dimension corresponding to *axis* (the first, by default).

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis along which the arrays will be joined. Default is 0.

**Returns****result**

[MaskedArray] The concatenated array with any masked entries preserved.

**See also:****[numpy.concatenate](#)**

Equivalent function in the top-level NumPy module.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = ma.arange(3)
>>> a[1] = ma.masked
>>> b = ma.arange(2, 5)
>>> a
masked_array(data=[0, --, 2],
              mask=[False,  True, False],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> b
masked_array(data=[2, 3, 4],
              mask=False,
              fill_value=999999)
>>> ma.concatenate([a, b])
masked_array(data=[0, --, 2, 2, 3, 4],
              mask=[False,  True, False, False, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

**ma.dstack(\*args, \*\*kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras.\_fromnxfunction\_seq object>**

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

This is equivalent to concatenation along the third axis after 2-D arrays of shape ( $M,N$ ) have been reshaped to ( $M,N,1$ ) and 1-D arrays of shape ( $N,$ ) have been reshaped to ( $1,N,1$ ). Rebuilds arrays divided by *dsplit*.

This function makes most sense for arrays with up to 3 dimensions. For instance, for pixel-data with a height (first axis), width (second axis), and r/g/b channels (third axis). The functions *concatenate*, *stack* and *block* provide more general stacking and concatenation operations.

**Parameters****tup**

[sequence of arrays] The arrays must have the same shape along all but the third axis. 1-D or 2-D arrays must have the same shape.

**Returns**

**stacked**

[ndarray] The array formed by stacking the given arrays, will be at least 3-D.

**See also:**

**concatenate**

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

**stack**

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

**block**

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

**vstack**

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

**hstack**

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

**column\_stack**

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

**dsplit**

Split array along third axis.

**Notes**

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array((1, 2, 3))
>>> b = np.array((2, 3, 4))
>>> np.dstack((a,b))
array([[[1, 2],
       [2, 3],
       [3, 4]]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[1], [2], [3]])
>>> b = np.array([[2], [3], [4]])
>>> np.dstack((a,b))
array([[[1, 2]],
       [[2, 3]],
       [[3, 4]]])
```

`ma.hstack(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_seq object>`

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

This is equivalent to concatenation along the second axis, except for 1-D arrays where it concatenates along the first axis. Rebuilds arrays divided by `hsplit`.

This function makes most sense for arrays with up to 3 dimensions. For instance, for pixel-data with a height (first axis), width (second axis), and r/g/b channels (third axis). The functions `concatenate`, `stack` and `block` provide more general stacking and concatenation operations.

### Parameters

#### `tup`

[sequence of ndarrays] The arrays must have the same shape along all but the second axis, except 1-D arrays which can be any length.

### Returns

#### `stacked`

[ndarray] The array formed by stacking the given arrays.

### See also:

#### `concatenate`

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

#### `stack`

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

#### `block`

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

#### `vstack`

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

#### `dstack`

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

#### `column_stack`

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

#### `hsplit`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays horizontally (column-wise).

### Notes

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array((1,2,3))
>>> b = np.array((4,5,6))
>>> np.hstack((a,b))
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
>>> a = np.array([[1],[2],[3]])
>>> b = np.array([[4],[5],[6]])
>>> np.hstack((a,b))
array([[1, 4],
       [2, 5],
       [3, 6]])
```

`ma.hsplit(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_single object>`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays horizontally (column-wise).

Please refer to the `split` documentation. `hsplit` is equivalent to `split` with `axis=1`, the array is always split along the second axis except for 1-D arrays, where it is split at `axis=0`.

**See also:**

`split`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays of equal size.

## Notes

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(16.0).reshape(4, 4)
>>> x
array([[ 0.,   1.,   2.,   3.],
       [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.],
       [ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.],
       [12.,  13.,  14.,  15.]])
>>> np.hsplit(x, 2)
[array([[ 0.,   1.],
       [ 4.,   5.],
       [ 8.,   9.],
       [12.,  13.]]),
 array([[ 2.,   3.],
       [ 6.,   7.],
       [10.,  11.],
       [14.,  15.]]]
>>> np.hsplit(x, np.array([3, 6]))
[array([[ 0.,   1.,   2.],
       [ 4.,   5.,   6.],
       [ 8.,   9.,  10.],
       [12.,  13.,  14.]]),
 array([[ 3.],
       [ 7.],
       [11.],
       [15.]]),
 array([], shape=(4, 0), dtype=float64)]
```

With a higher dimensional array the split is still along the second axis.

```
>>> x = np.arange(8.0).reshape(2, 2, 2)
>>> x
array([[[0.,  1.],
       [2.,  3.]],
      [[4.,  5.],
       [6.,  7.]]])
>>> np.hsplit(x, 2)
[array([[0.,  1.],
       [[4.,  5.]]]),
 array([[2.,  3.],
       [6.,  7.]]])
```

With a 1-D array, the split is along axis 0.

```
>>> x = np.array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
>>> np.hsplit(x, 2)
[array([0, 1, 2]), array([3, 4, 5])]
```

`ma.mr_ = <numpy.ma.extras.mr_class object>`

Translate slice objects to concatenation along the first axis.

This is the masked array version of `lib.index_tricks.RClass`.

**See also:**

`lib.index_tricks.RClass`

## Examples

```
>>> np.ma.mr_[np.ma.array([1,2,3]), 0, 0, np.ma.array([4,5,6])]
masked_array(data=[1, 2, 3, ..., 4, 5, 6],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.row_stack(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_seq object>`

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

This is equivalent to concatenation along the first axis after 1-D arrays of shape ( $N,$ ) have been reshaped to ( $1,N$ ). Rebuilds arrays divided by `vsplit`.

This function makes most sense for arrays with up to 3 dimensions. For instance, for pixel-data with a height (first axis), width (second axis), and r/g/b channels (third axis). The functions `concatenate`, `stack` and `block` provide more general stacking and concatenation operations.

### Parameters

#### `tup`

[sequence of ndarrays] The arrays must have the same shape along all but the first axis. 1-D arrays must have the same length.

### Returns

#### `stacked`

[ndarray] The array formed by stacking the given arrays, will be at least 2-D.

**See also:****`concatenate`**

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

**`stack`**

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

**`block`**

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

**`hstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

**`dstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

**`column_stack`**

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

**`vsplit`**

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row-wise).

**Notes**

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> np.vstack((a,b))
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[1], [2], [3]])
>>> b = np.array([[4], [5], [6]])
>>> np.vstack((a,b))
array([[1],
       [2],
       [3],
       [4],
       [5],
       [6]])
```

`ma.vstack(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.extras._fromnxfunction_seq object>`

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

This is equivalent to concatenation along the first axis after 1-D arrays of shape ( $N,$ ) have been reshaped to ( $1,N$ ). Rebuilds arrays divided by `vsplit`.

This function makes most sense for arrays with up to 3 dimensions. For instance, for pixel-data with a height (first axis), width (second axis), and r/g/b channels (third axis). The functions `concatenate`, `stack` and `block` provide more general stacking and concatenation operations.

### Parameters

#### `tup`

[sequence of ndarrays] The arrays must have the same shape along all but the first axis. 1-D arrays must have the same length.

### Returns

#### `stacked`

[ndarray] The array formed by stacking the given arrays, will be at least 2-D.

### See also:

#### `concatenate`

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

#### `stack`

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

#### `block`

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

#### `hstack`

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

#### `dstack`

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

#### `column_stack`

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

#### `vsplit`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row-wise).

### Notes

The function is applied to both the `_data` and the `_mask`, if any.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> np.vstack((a,b))
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[1], [2], [3]])
>>> b = np.array([[4], [5], [6]])
>>> np.vstack((a,b))
array([[1],
       [2],
       [3],
       [4],
       [5],
       [6]])
```

## Joining arrays

<code>ma.concatenate(arrays[, axis])</code>	Concatenate a sequence of arrays along the given axis.
<code>ma.stack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.
<code>ma.vstack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).
<code>ma.hstack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).
<code>ma.vstack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).
<code>ma.column_stack(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.
<code>ma.append(a, b[, axis])</code>	Append values to the end of an array.

`ma.append(a, b, axis=None)`

Append values to the end of an array.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Values are appended to a copy of this array.

#### b

[array\_like] These values are appended to a copy of *a*. It must be of the correct shape (the same shape as *a*, excluding *axis*). If *axis* is not specified, *b* can be any shape and will be flattened before use.

#### axis

[int, optional] The axis along which *v* are appended. If *axis* is not given, both *a* and *b* are flattened before use.

### Returns

#### append

[MaskedArray] A copy of *a* with *b* appended to *axis*. Note that `append` does not occur in-place: a new array is allocated and filled. If *axis* is None, the result is a flattened array.

See also:

[numpy.append](#)

Equivalent function in the top-level NumPy module.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = ma.masked_values([1, 2, 3], 2)
>>> b = ma.masked_values([[4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]], 7)
>>> ma.append(a, b)
masked_array(data=[1, --, 3, 4, 5, 6, --, 8, 9],
             mask=[False, True, False, False, False, False, True, False,
                   False],
             fill_value=999999)
```

## Operations on masks

### Creating a mask

<code>ma.make_mask(m[, copy, shrink, dtype])</code>	Create a boolean mask from an array.
<code>ma.make_mask_none(newshape[, dtype])</code>	Return a boolean mask of the given shape, filled with False.
<code>ma.mask_or(m1, m2[, copy, shrink])</code>	Combine two masks with the <code>logical_or</code> operator.
<code>ma.make_mask_descr(ndtype)</code>	Construct a dtype description list from a given dtype.

`ma.make_mask(m, copy=False, shrink=True, dtype=<class 'numpy.bool_>)`

Create a boolean mask from an array.

Return *m* as a boolean mask, creating a copy if necessary or requested. The function can accept any sequence that is convertible to integers, or `nomask`. Does not require that contents must be 0s and 1s, values of 0 are interpreted as False, everything else as True.

#### Parameters

##### `m`

[array\_like] Potential mask.

##### `copy`

[bool, optional] Whether to return a copy of *m* (True) or *m* itself (False).

##### `shrink`

[bool, optional] Whether to shrink *m* to `nomask` if all its values are False.

##### `dtype`

[dtype, optional] Data-type of the output mask. By default, the output mask has a dtype of `MaskType(bool)`. If the dtype is flexible, each field has a boolean dtype. This is ignored when *m* is `nomask`, in which case `nomask` is always returned.

#### Returns

**result**

[ndarray] A boolean mask derived from *m*.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> m = [True, False, True, True]
>>> ma.make_mask(m)
array([ True, False,  True,  True])
>>> m = [1, 0, 1, 1]
>>> ma.make_mask(m)
array([ True, False,  True,  True])
>>> m = [1, 0, 2, -3]
>>> ma.make_mask(m)
array([ True, False,  True,  True])
```

Effect of the *shrink* parameter.

```
>>> m = np.zeros(4)
>>> m
array([0., 0., 0., 0.])
>>> ma.make_mask(m)
False
>>> ma.make_mask(m, shrink=False)
array([False, False, False, False])
```

Using a flexible *dtype*.

```
>>> m = [1, 0, 1, 1]
>>> n = [0, 1, 0, 0]
>>> arr = []
>>> for man, mouse in zip(m, n):
...     arr.append((man, mouse))
>>> arr
[(1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 0)]
>>> dtype = np.dtype({'names':['man', 'mouse'],
...                   'formats':[np.int64, np.int64]})
>>> arr = np.array(arr, dtype=dtype)
>>> arr
array([(1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 0)],
      dtype=[('man', '<i8'), ('mouse', '<i8')])
>>> ma.make_mask(arr, dtype=dtype)
array([(True, False), (False, True), (True, False), (True, False)],
      dtype=[('man', '|b1'), ('mouse', '|b1')])
```

**ma.make\_mask\_none(*newshape*, *dtype=None*)**

Return a boolean mask of the given shape, filled with False.

This function returns a boolean ndarray with all entries False, that can be used in common mask manipulations. If a complex dtype is specified, the type of each field is converted to a boolean type.

**Parameters****newshape**

[tuple] A tuple indicating the shape of the mask.

**dtype**

[{None, dtype}, optional] If None, use a MaskType instance. Otherwise, use a new datatype with the same fields as [dtype](#), converted to boolean types.

**Returns****result**

[ndarray] An ndarray of appropriate shape and dtype, filled with False.

See also:

[\*\*make\\_mask\*\*](#)

Create a boolean mask from an array.

[\*\*make\\_mask\\_descr\*\*](#)

Construct a dtype description list from a given dtype.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> ma.make_mask_none((3,))
array([False, False, False])
```

Defining a more complex dtype.

```
>>> dtype = np.dtype({'names':['foo', 'bar'],
...                   'formats':[np.float32, np.int64]})
>>> dtype
dtype([('foo', '<f4'), ('bar', '<i8')])
>>> ma.make_mask_none((3,), dtype=dtype)
array([(False, False), (False, False), (False, False)],
      dtype=[('foo', '|b1'), ('bar', '|b1')])
```

[\*\*ma.mask\\_or\*\*\(\*m1, m2, copy=False, shrink=True\*\)](#)

Combine two masks with the logical\_or operator.

The result may be a view on *m1* or *m2* if the other is [\*nomask\*](#) (i.e. False).

**Parameters****m1, m2**

[array\_like] Input masks.

**copy**

[bool, optional] If copy is False and one of the inputs is [\*nomask\*](#), return a view of the other input mask. Defaults to False.

**shrink**

[bool, optional] Whether to shrink the output to [\*nomask\*](#) if all its values are False. Defaults to True.

**Returns**

**mask**

[output mask] The result masks values that are masked in either *m1* or *m2*.

**Raises****ValueError**

If *m1* and *m2* have different flexible dtypes.

**Examples**

```
>>> m1 = np.ma.make_mask([0, 1, 1, 0])
>>> m2 = np.ma.make_mask([1, 0, 0, 0])
>>> np.ma.mask_or(m1, m2)
array([ True,  True,  True, False])
```

**ma.make\_mask\_descr(*ndtype*)**

Construct a dtype description list from a given dtype.

Returns a new dtype object, with the type of all fields in *ndtype* to a boolean type. Field names are not altered.

**Parameters****ndtype**

[dtype] The dtype to convert.

**Returns****result**

[dtype] A dtype that looks like *ndtype*, the type of all fields is boolean.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> dtype = np.dtype({'names':['foo', 'bar'],
...                   'formats':[np.float32, np.int64] })
>>> dtype
dtype([('foo', '<f4'), ('bar', '<i8')])
>>> ma.make_mask_descr(dtype)
dtype([('foo', '|b1'), ('bar', '|b1')])
>>> ma.make_mask_descr(np.float32)
dtype('bool')
```

## Accessing a mask

<code>ma.getmask(a)</code>	Return the mask of a masked array, or nomask.
<code>ma.getmaskarray(arr)</code>	Return the mask of a masked array, or full boolean array of False.
<code>ma.masked_array.mask</code>	Current mask.

property

**property** `ma.masked_array.mask`

Current mask.

## Finding masked data

<code>ma.ndenumerate(a[, compressed])</code>	Multidimensional index iterator.
<code>ma.flatnotmasked_contiguous(a)</code>	Find contiguous unmasked data in a masked array.
<code>ma.flatnotmasked_edges(a)</code>	Find the indices of the first and last unmasked values.
<code>ma.notmasked_contiguous(a[, axis])</code>	Find contiguous unmasked data in a masked array along the given axis.
<code>ma.notmasked_edges(a[, axis])</code>	Find the indices of the first and last unmasked values along an axis.
<code>ma.clump_masked(a)</code>	Returns a list of slices corresponding to the masked clumps of a 1-D array.
<code>ma.clump_unmasked(a)</code>	Return list of slices corresponding to the unmasked clumps of a 1-D array.

`ma.ndenumerate(a, compressed=True)`

Multidimensional index iterator.

Return an iterator yielding pairs of array coordinates and values, skipping elements that are masked. With `compressed=False`, `ma.masked` is yielded as the value of masked elements. This behavior differs from that of `numpy.ndenumerate`, which yields the value of the underlying data array.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] An array with (possibly) masked elements.

**compressed**

[bool, optional] If True (default), masked elements are skipped.

### See also:

`numpy.ndenumerate`

Equivalent function ignoring any mask.

## Notes

New in version 1.23.0.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> a[1, 0] = np.ma.masked
>>> a[1, 2] = np.ma.masked
>>> a[2, 1] = np.ma.masked
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 1, 2],
        [--, 4, --],
        [6, --, 8]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> for index, x in np.ma.ndenumerate(a):
...     print(index, x)
(0, 0) 0
(0, 1) 1
(0, 2) 2
(1, 1) 4
(2, 0) 6
(2, 2) 8
```

```
>>> for index, x in np.ma.ndenumerate(a, compressed=False):
...     print(index, x)
(0, 0) 0
(0, 1) 1
(0, 2) 2
(1, 0) --
(1, 1) 4
(1, 2) --
(2, 0) 6
(2, 1) --
(2, 2) 8
```

`ma.flatnotmasked_contiguous(a)`

Find contiguous unmasked data in a masked array.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] The input array.

### Returns

**slice\_list**

[list] A sorted sequence of *slice* objects (start index, end index).

Changed in version 1.15.0: Now returns an empty list instead of None for a fully masked array

See also:

`flatnotmasked_edges, notmasked_contiguous, notmasked_edges`  
`clump_masked, clump_unmasked`

## Notes

Only accepts 2-D arrays at most.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.arange(10)
>>> np.ma.flatnotmasked_contiguous(a)
[slice(0, 10, None)]
```

```
>>> mask = (a < 3) | (a > 8) | (a == 5)
>>> a[mask] = np.ma.masked
>>> np.array(a[~a.mask])
array([3, 4, 6, 7, 8])
```

```
>>> np.ma.flatnotmasked_contiguous(a)
[slice(3, 5, None), slice(6, 9, None)]
>>> a[:] = np.ma.masked
>>> np.ma.flatnotmasked_contiguous(a)
[]
```

`ma.flatnotmasked_edges(a)`

Find the indices of the first and last unmasked values.

Expects a 1-D `MaskedArray`, returns None if all values are masked.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input 1-D `MaskedArray`

### Returns

**edges**

[ndarray or None] The indices of first and last non-masked value in the array. Returns None if all values are masked.

See also:

`flatnotmasked_contiguous, notmasked_contiguous, notmasked_edges`  
`clump_masked, clump_unmasked`

## Notes

Only accepts 1-D arrays.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.arange(10)
>>> np.ma.flatnotmasked_edges(a)
array([0, 9])
```

```
>>> mask = (a < 3) | (a > 8) | (a == 5)
>>> a[mask] = np.ma.masked
>>> np.array(a[~a.mask])
array([3, 4, 6, 7, 8])
```

```
>>> np.ma.flatnotmasked_edges(a)
array([3, 8])
```

```
>>> a[:] = np.ma.masked
>>> print(np.ma.flatnotmasked_edges(a))
None
```

### `ma.notmasked_contiguous(a, axis=None)`

Find contiguous unmasked data in a masked array along the given axis.

#### Parameters

##### a

[array\_like] The input array.

##### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to perform the operation. If None (default), applies to a flattened version of the array, and this is the same as `flatnotmasked_contiguous`.

#### Returns

##### endpoints

[list] A list of slices (start and end indexes) of unmasked indexes in the array.

If the input is 2d and axis is specified, the result is a list of lists.

#### See also:

`flatnotmasked_edges`, `flatnotmasked_contiguous`, `notmasked_edges`

`clump_masked`, `clump_unmasked`

## Notes

Only accepts 2-D arrays at most.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(12).reshape((3, 4))
>>> mask = np.zeros_like(a)
>>> mask[1:, :-1] = 1; mask[0, 1] = 1; mask[-1, 0] = 0
>>> ma = np.ma.array(a, mask=mask)
>>> ma
masked_array(
  data=[[0, --, 2, 3],
        [--, --, --, 7],
        [8, --, --, 11]],
  mask=[[False, True, False, False],
        [True, True, True, False],
        [False, True, True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> np.array(ma[~ma.mask])
array([ 0,  2,  3,  7,  8, 11])
```

```
>>> np.ma.notmasked_contiguous(ma)
[slice(0, 1, None), slice(2, 4, None), slice(7, 9, None), slice(11, 12, None)]
```

```
>>> np.ma.notmasked_contiguous(ma, axis=0)
[[slice(0, 1, None), slice(2, 3, None)], [], [slice(0, 1, None)], [slice(0, 3, -None)]]
```

```
>>> np.ma.notmasked_contiguous(ma, axis=1)
[[slice(0, 1, None), slice(2, 4, None)], [slice(3, 4, None)], [slice(0, 1, None), -slice(3, 4, None)]]
```

`ma.notmasked_edges(a, axis=None)`

Find the indices of the first and last unmasked values along an axis.

If all values are masked, return `None`. Otherwise, return a list of two tuples, corresponding to the indices of the first and last unmasked values respectively.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] The input array.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to perform the operation. If `None` (default), applies to a flattened version of the array.

### Returns

**edges**

[ndarray or list] An array of start and end indexes if there are any masked data in the array. If there are no masked data in the array, `edges` is a list of the first and last index.

**See also:**

`flatnotmasked_contiguous`, `flatnotmasked_edges`, `notmasked_contiguous`  
`clump_masked`, `clump_unmasked`

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> m = np.zeros_like(a)
>>> m[1:, 1:] = 1
```

```
>>> am = np.ma.array(a, mask=m)
>>> np.array(am[~am.mask])
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 6])
```

```
>>> np.ma.notmasked_edges(am)
array([0, 6])
```

`ma.clump_masked(a)`

Returns a list of slices corresponding to the masked clumps of a 1-D array. (A “clump” is defined as a contiguous region of the array).

### Parameters

**a**

[ndarray] A one-dimensional masked array.

### Returns

**slices**

[list of slice] The list of slices, one for each continuous region of masked elements in *a*.

**See also:**

`flatnotmasked_edges`, `flatnotmasked_contiguous`, `notmasked_edges`  
`notmasked_contiguous`, `clump_unmasked`

### Notes

New in version 1.4.0.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.masked_array(np.arange(10))
>>> a[[0, 1, 2, 6, 8, 9]] = np.ma.masked
>>> np.ma.clump_masked(a)
[slice(0, 3, None), slice(6, 7, None), slice(8, 10, None)]
```

ma.**clump\_unmasked**(*a*)

Return list of slices corresponding to the unmasked clumps of a 1-D array. (A “clump” is defined as a contiguous region of the array).

### Parameters

**a**

[ndarray] A one-dimensional masked array.

### Returns

**slices**

[list of slice] The list of slices, one for each continuous region of unmasked elements in *a*.

See also:

[\*flatnotmasked\\_edges\*](#), [\*flatnotmasked\\_contiguous\*](#), [\*notmasked\\_edges\*](#)  
[\*notmasked\\_contiguous\*](#), [\*clump\\_masked\*](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.4.0.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.masked_array(np.arange(10))
>>> a[[0, 1, 2, 6, 8, 9]] = np.ma.masked
>>> np.ma.clump_unmasked(a)
[slice(3, 6, None), slice(7, 8, None)]
```

## Modifying a mask

<code>ma.mask_cols(a[, axis])</code>	Mask columns of a 2D array that contain masked values.
<code>ma.mask_or(m1, m2[, copy, shrink])</code>	Combine two masks with the <code>logical_or</code> operator.
<code>ma.mask_rowcols(a[, axis])</code>	Mask rows and/or columns of a 2D array that contain masked values.
<code>ma.mask_rows(a[, axis])</code>	Mask rows of a 2D array that contain masked values.
<code>ma.harden_mask(self)</code>	Force the mask to hard, preventing unmasking by assignment.
<code>ma.soften_mask(self)</code>	Force the mask to soft (default), allowing unmasking by assignment.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.harden_mask()</code>	Force the mask to hard, preventing unmasking by assignment.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.soften_mask()</code>	Force the mask to soft (default), allowing unmasking by assignment.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.shrink_mask()</code>	Reduce a mask to nomask when possible.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.unshare_mask()</code>	Copy the mask and set the <code>sharedmask</code> flag to <code>False</code> .

`ma.mask_cols (a, axis=<no value>)`

Mask columns of a 2D array that contain masked values.

This function is a shortcut to `mask_rowcols` with `axis` equal to 1.

**See also:**

`mask_rowcols`

Mask rows and/or columns of a 2D array.

`masked_where`

Mask where a condition is met.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.zeros((3, 3), dtype=int)
>>> a[1, 1] = 1
>>> a
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 1, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
>>> a = ma.masked_equal(a, 1)
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 0, 0],
        [0, --, 0],
        [0, 0, 0]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [False, True, False],
        [False, False, False]],
  fill_value=1)
>>> ma.mask_cols(a)
masked_array(
  data=[[0, --, 0],
        [0, --, 0],
        [0, --, 0]],
  mask=[[True, True, True],
        [True, True, True],
        [True, True, True]]]
```

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```
[0, --, 0],  
[0, --, 0]],  
mask=[[False,  True, False],  
      [False,  True, False],  
      [False,  True, False]],  
      fill_value=1)
```

## ma.mask\_rowcols (*a*, *axis=None*)

Mask rows and/or columns of a 2D array that contain masked values.

Mask whole rows and/or columns of a 2D array that contain masked values. The masking behavior is selected using the *axis* parameter.

- If *axis* is None, rows *and* columns are masked.
- If *axis* is 0, only rows are masked.
- If *axis* is 1 or -1, only columns are masked.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like, MaskedArray] The array to mask. If not a MaskedArray instance (or if no array elements are masked). The result is a MaskedArray with *mask* set to *nomask* (False). Must be a 2D array.

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to perform the operation. If None, applies to a flattened version of the array.

### Returns

#### a

[MaskedArray] A modified version of the input array, masked depending on the value of the *axis* parameter.

### Raises

#### NotImplementedError

If input array *a* is not 2D.

### See also:

#### [mask\\_rows](#)

Mask rows of a 2D array that contain masked values.

#### [mask\\_cols](#)

Mask cols of a 2D array that contain masked values.

#### [masked\\_where](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

## Notes

The input array's mask is modified by this function.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.zeros((3, 3), dtype=int)
>>> a[1, 1] = 1
>>> a
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 1, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
>>> a = ma.masked_equal(a, 1)
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 0, 0],
        [0, --, 0],
        [0, 0, 0]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [False, True, False],
        [False, False, False]],
  fill_value=1)
>>> ma.mask_rowcols(a)
masked_array(
  data=[[0, --, 0],
        [--, --, --],
        [0, --, 0]],
  mask=[[False, True, False],
        [True, True, True],
        [False, True, False]],
  fill_value=1)
```

`ma.mask_rows (a, axis=<no value>)`

Mask rows of a 2D array that contain masked values.

This function is a shortcut to `mask_rowcols` with `axis` equal to 0.

**See also:**

[`mask\_rowcols`](#)

Mask rows and/or columns of a 2D array.

[`masked\_where`](#)

Mask where a condition is met.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.zeros((3, 3), dtype=int)
>>> a[1, 1] = 1
>>> a
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 1, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
>>> a = ma.masked_equal(a, 1)
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 0, 0],
        [0, --, 0],
        [0, 0, 0]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [False, True, False],
        [False, False, False]],
  fill_value=1)
```

```
>>> ma.mask_rows(a)
masked_array(
  data=[[0, 0, 0],
        [--, --, --],
        [0, 0, 0]],
  mask=[[False, False, False],
        [True, True, True],
        [False, False, False]],
  fill_value=1)
```

`ma.harden_mask(self) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Force the mask to hard, preventing unmasking by assignment.

Whether the mask of a masked array is hard or soft is determined by its `hardmask` property. `harden_mask` sets `hardmask` to True (and returns the modified self).

See also:

`ma.MaskedArray.hardmask`

`ma.MaskedArray.soften_mask`

`ma.soften_mask(self) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Force the mask to soft (default), allowing unmasking by assignment.

Whether the mask of a masked array is hard or soft is determined by its `hardmask` property. `soften_mask` sets `hardmask` to False (and returns the modified self).

See also:

`ma.MaskedArray.hardmask`

`ma.MaskedArray.harden_mask`

## Conversion operations

### > to a masked array

<code>ma.asarray(a[, dtype, order])</code>	Convert the input to a masked array of the given data-type.
<code>ma.asanyarray(a[, dtype])</code>	Convert the input to a masked array, conserving subclasses.
<code>ma.fix_invalid(a[, mask, copy, fill_value])</code>	Return input with invalid data masked and replaced by a fill value.
<code>ma.masked_equal(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where equal to a given value.
<code>ma.masked_greater(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where greater than a given value.
<code>ma.masked_greater_equal(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where greater than or equal to a given value.
<code>ma.masked_inside(x, v1, v2[, copy])</code>	Mask an array inside a given interval.
<code>ma.masked_invalid(a[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where invalid values occur (NaNs or infs).
<code>ma.masked_less(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where less than a given value.
<code>ma.masked_less_equal(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where less than or equal to a given value.
<code>ma.masked_not_equal(x, value[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where <i>not</i> equal to a given value.
<code>ma.masked_object(x, value[, copy, shrink])</code>	Mask the array <i>x</i> where the data are exactly equal to value.
<code>ma.masked_outside(x, v1, v2[, copy])</code>	Mask an array outside a given interval.
<code>ma.masked_values(x, value[, rtol, atol, ...])</code>	Mask using floating point equality.
<code>ma.masked_where(condition, a[, copy])</code>	Mask an array where a condition is met.

### > to a ndarray

<code>ma.compress_cols(a)</code>	Suppress whole columns of a 2-D array that contain masked values.
<code>ma.compress_rowcols(x[, axis])</code>	Suppress the rows and/or columns of a 2-D array that contain masked values.
<code>ma.compress_rows(a)</code>	Suppress whole rows of a 2-D array that contain masked values.
<code>ma.compressed(x)</code>	Return all the non-masked data as a 1-D array.
<code>ma.filled(a[, fill_value])</code>	Return input as an array with masked data replaced by a fill value.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.compressed()</code>	Return all the non-masked data as a 1-D array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.filled([fill_value])</code>	Return a copy of self, with masked values filled with a given value.

`ma.compress_cols(a)`

Suppress whole columns of a 2-D array that contain masked values.

This is equivalent to `np.ma.compress_rowcols(a, 1)`, see `compress_rowcols` for details.

**See also:**

`compress_rowcols`

`ma.compress_rowcols(x, axis=None)`

Suppress the rows and/or columns of a 2-D array that contain masked values.

The suppression behavior is selected with the `axis` parameter.

- If `axis` is `None`, both rows and columns are suppressed.

- If axis is 0, only rows are suppressed.
- If axis is 1 or -1, only columns are suppressed.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like, MaskedArray] The array to operate on. If not a MaskedArray instance (or if no array elements are masked), *x* is interpreted as a MaskedArray with *mask* set to *nomask*. Must be a 2D array.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to perform the operation. Default is None.

**Returns****compressed\_array**

[ndarray] The compressed array.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.arange(9).reshape(3, 3), mask=[[1, 0, 0],
...                                         [1, 0, 0],
...                                         [0, 0, 0]])
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[--, 1, 2],
        [--, 4, 5],
        [6, 7, 8]],
  mask=[[ True, False, False],
        [ True, False, False],
        [False, False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> np.ma.compress_rowcols(x)
array([[7, 8]])
>>> np.ma.compress_rowcols(x, 0)
array([[6, 7, 8]])
>>> np.ma.compress_rowcols(x, 1)
array([[1, 2],
       [4, 5],
       [7, 8]])
```

**ma.compress\_rows (*a*)**

Suppress whole rows of a 2-D array that contain masked values.

This is equivalent to `np.ma.compress_rowcols(a, 0)`, see [compress\\_rowcols](#) for details.

**See also:**

[compress\\_rowcols](#)

`ma.compressed(x)`

Return all the non-masked data as a 1-D array.

This function is equivalent to calling the “compressed” method of a `ma.MaskedArray`, see `ma.MaskedArray.compressed` for details.

See also:

`ma.MaskedArray.compressed`

Equivalent method.

`ma.filled(a, fill_value=None)`

Return input as an array with masked data replaced by a fill value.

If `a` is not a `MaskedArray`, `a` itself is returned. If `a` is a `MaskedArray` and `fill_value` is None, `fill_value` is set to `a.fill_value`.

### Parameters

`a`

[`MaskedArray` or `array_like`] An input object.

`fill_value`

[`array_like`, optional.] Can be scalar or non-scalar. If non-scalar, the resulting filled array should be broadcastable over input array. Default is None.

### Returns

`a`

[`ndarray`] The filled array.

See also:

`compressed`

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.arange(9).reshape(3, 3), mask=[[1, 0, 0],
...                                         [1, 0, 0],
...                                         [0, 0, 0]])
>>> x.filled()
array([[999999,      1,      2],
       [999999,      4,      5],
       [      6,      7,      8]])
>>> x.filled(fill_value=333)
array([[333,      1,      2],
       [333,      4,      5],
       [      6,      7,      8]])
>>> x.filled(fill_value=np.arange(3))
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [0, 4, 5],
       [6, 7, 8]])
```

## &gt; to another object

<code>ma.MaskedArray.tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Save a masked array to a file in binary format.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.tolist([fill_value])</code>	Return the data portion of the masked array as a hierarchical Python list.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.torecords()</code>	Transforms a masked array into a flexible-type array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.tobytes([fill_value, order])</code>	Return the array data as a string containing the raw bytes in the array.

## Filling a masked array

<code>ma.common_fill_value(a, b)</code>	Return the common filling value of two masked arrays, if any.
<code>ma.default_fill_value(obj)</code>	Return the default fill value for the argument object.
<code>ma.maximum_fill_value(obj)</code>	Return the minimum value that can be represented by the dtype of an object.
<code>ma.minimum_fill_value(obj)</code>	Return the maximum value that can be represented by the dtype of an object.
<code>ma.set_fill_value(a, fill_value)</code>	Set the filling value of a, if a is a masked array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.get_fill_value()</code>	The filling value of the masked array is a scalar.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.set_fill_value([value])</code>	

`ma.common_fill_value(a, b)`

Return the common filling value of two masked arrays, if any.

If `a.fill_value == b.fill_value`, return the fill value, otherwise return `None`.

## Parameters

**a, b**

[MaskedArray] The masked arrays for which to compare fill values.

## Returns

**fill\_value**[scalar or None] The common fill value, or `None`.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([0, 1.], fill_value=3)
>>> y = np.ma.array([0, 1.], fill_value=3)
>>> np.ma.common_fill_value(x, y)
3.0
```

`ma.default_fill_value(obj)`

Return the default fill value for the argument object.

The default filling value depends on the datatype of the input array or the type of the input scalar:

datatype	default
bool	True
int	999999
float	1.e20
complex	1.e20+0j
object	'?'
string	'N/A'

For structured types, a structured scalar is returned, with each field the default fill value for its type.

For subarray types, the fill value is an array of the same size containing the default scalar fill value.

### Parameters

#### obj

[ndarray, dtype or scalar] The array data-type or scalar for which the default fill value is returned.

### Returns

#### fill\_value

[scalar] The default fill value.

### Examples

```
>>> np.ma.default_fill_value(1)
999999
>>> np.ma.default_fill_value(np.array([1.1, 2., np.pi]))
1e+20
>>> np.ma.default_fill_value(np.dtype(complex))
(1e+20+0j)
```

### ma.maximum\_fill\_value(obj)

Return the minimum value that can be represented by the dtype of an object.

This function is useful for calculating a fill value suitable for taking the maximum of an array with a given dtype.

### Parameters

#### obj

[ndarray, dtype or scalar] An object that can be queried for it's numeric type.

### Returns

#### val

[scalar] The minimum representable value.

### Raises

#### TypeError

If *obj* isn't a suitable numeric type.

See also:

[`minimum\_fill\_value`](#)

The inverse function.

[`set\_fill\_value`](#)

Set the filling value of a masked array.

[`MaskedArray.fill\_value`](#)

Return current fill value.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.int8()
>>> ma.maximum_fill_value(a)
-128
>>> a = np.int32()
>>> ma.maximum_fill_value(a)
-2147483648
```

An array of numeric data can also be passed.

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int8)
>>> ma.maximum_fill_value(a)
-128
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.float32)
>>> ma.maximum_fill_value(a)
-inf
```

`ma.minimum_fill_value(obj)`

Return the maximum value that can be represented by the dtype of an object.

This function is useful for calculating a fill value suitable for taking the minimum of an array with a given dtype.

### Parameters

**obj**

[ndarray, dtype or scalar] An object that can be queried for its numeric type.

### Returns

**val**

[scalar] The maximum representable value.

### Raises

**TypeError**

If *obj* isn't a suitable numeric type.

See also:

**`maximum_fill_value`**

The inverse function.

**`set_fill_value`**

Set the filling value of a masked array.

**`MaskedArray.fill_value`**

Return current fill value.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.int8()
>>> ma.minimum_fill_value(a)
127
>>> a = np.int32()
>>> ma.minimum_fill_value(a)
2147483647
```

An array of numeric data can also be passed.

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int8)
>>> ma.minimum_fill_value(a)
127
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.float32)
>>> ma.minimum_fill_value(a)
inf
```

`ma.set_fill_value(a, fill_value)`

Set the filling value of *a*, if *a* is a masked array.

This function changes the fill value of the masked array *a* in place. If *a* is not a masked array, the function returns silently, without doing anything.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**fill\_value**

[dtype] Filling value. A consistency test is performed to make sure the value is compatible with the dtype of *a*.

**Returns**

**None**

Nothing returned by this function.

**See also:**

**`maximum_fill_value`**

Return the default fill value for a dtype.

***MaskedArray.fill\_value***

Return current fill value.

***MaskedArray.set\_fill\_value***

Equivalent method.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.ma as ma
>>> a = np.arange(5)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> a = ma.masked_where(a < 3, a)
>>> a
masked_array(data=[--, --, --, 3, 4],
              mask=[ True,  True,  True, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> ma.set_fill_value(a, -999)
>>> a
masked_array(data=[--, --, --, 3, 4],
              mask=[ True,  True,  True, False, False],
              fill_value=-999)
```

Nothing happens if *a* is not a masked array.

```
>>> a = list(range(5))
>>> a
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
>>> ma.set_fill_value(a, 100)
>>> a
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
>>> a = np.arange(5)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> ma.set_fill_value(a, 100)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4])
```

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*ma.MaskedArray.fill\_value*

The filling value of the masked array is a scalar.

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## Masked arrays arithmetic

## Arithmetic

<code>ma.anom(self[, axis, dtype])</code>	Compute the anomalies (deviations from the arithmetic mean) along the given axis.
<code>ma.anomalies(self[, axis, dtype])</code>	Compute the anomalies (deviations from the arithmetic mean) along the given axis.
<code>ma.average(a[, axis, weights, returned, ...])</code>	Return the weighted average of array over the given axis.
<code>ma.conjugate(x, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.
<code>ma.corrcoef(x[, y, rowvar, bias, ...])</code>	Return Pearson product-moment correlation coefficients.
<code>ma.cov(x[, y, rowvar, bias, allow_masked, ddof])</code>	Estimate the covariance matrix.
<code>ma.cumsum(self[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ma.cumprod(self[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ma.mean(self[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.
<code>ma.median(a[, axis, out, overwrite_input, ...])</code>	Compute the median along the specified axis.
<code>ma.power(a, b[, third])</code>	Returns element-wise base array raised to power from second array.
<code>ma.prod(self[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ma.std(self[, axis, dtype, out, ddof, keepdims])</code>	Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.
<code>ma.sum(self[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ma.var(self[, axis, dtype, out, ddof, keepdims])</code>	Compute the variance along the specified axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.anom([axis, dtype])</code>	Compute the anomalies (deviations from the arithmetic mean) along the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.cumprod([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.cumsum([axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.mean([axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.prod([axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.std([axis, dtype, out, ddof, ...])</code>	Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.sum([axis, dtype, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.var([axis, dtype, out, ddof, ...])</code>	Compute the variance along the specified axis.

`ma.anom(self, axis=None, dtype=None) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Compute the anomalies (deviations from the arithmetic mean) along the given axis.

Returns an array of anomalies, with the same shape as the input and where the arithmetic mean is computed along the given axis.

### Parameters

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which the anomalies are taken. The default is to use the mean of the flattened array as reference.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional]

**Type to use in computing the variance. For arrays of integer type**

the default is float32; for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.

See also:

***mean***

Compute the mean of the array.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> a.anom()
masked_array(data=[-1.,  0.,  1.],
              mask=False,
              fill_value=1e+20)
```

`ma.anomalies(self, axis=None, dtype=None) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Compute the anomalies (deviations from the arithmetic mean) along the given axis.

Returns an array of anomalies, with the same shape as the input and where the arithmetic mean is computed along the given axis.

### Parameters

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which the anomalies are taken. The default is to use the mean of the flattened array as reference.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional]

**Type to use in computing the variance. For arrays of integer type**

the default is float32; for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.

See also:

***mean***

Compute the mean of the array.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> a.anom()
masked_array(data=[-1.,  0.,  1.],
              mask=False,
              fill_value=1e+20)
```

`ma.average(a, axis=None, weights=None, returned=False, *, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the weighted average of array over the given axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Data to be averaged. Masked entries are not taken into account in the computation.

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to average *a*. If None, averaging is done over the flattened array.

#### weights

[array\_like, optional] The importance that each element has in the computation of the average. The weights array can either be 1-D (in which case its length must be the size of *a* along the given axis) or of the same shape as *a*. If *weights*=None, then all data in *a* are assumed to have a weight equal to one. The 1-D calculation is:

```
avg = sum(a * weights) / sum(weights)
```

The only constraint on *weights* is that *sum(weights)* must not be 0.

#### returned

[bool, optional] Flag indicating whether a tuple (*result*, *sum of weights*) should be returned as output (True), or just the result (False). Default is False.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original *a*. Note: *keepdims* will not work with instances of `numpy.matrix` or other classes whose methods do not support *keepdims*.

New in version 1.23.0.

### Returns

#### average, [sum\_of\_weights]

[(tuple of) scalar or MaskedArray] The average along the specified axis. When returned is True, return a tuple with the average as the first element and the sum of the weights as the second element. The return type is `np.float64` if *a* is of integer type and floats smaller than `float64`, or the input data-type, otherwise. If returned, *sum\_of\_weights* is always `float64`.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1., 2., 3., 4.], mask=[False, False, True, True])
>>> np.ma.average(a, weights=[3, 1, 0, 0])
1.25
```

```
>>> x = np.ma.arange(6.).reshape(3, 2)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[0., 1.],
         [2., 3.],
         [4., 5.]],
  mask=[[False, False],
         [False, False],
         [True, True]],
  fill_value=99999.0)
```

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```
[2., 3.],
[4., 5.]],
mask=False,
fill_value=1e+20)
>>> avg, sumweights = np.ma.average(x, axis=0, weights=[1, 2, 3],
...                                         returned=True)
>>> avg
masked_array(data=[2.6666666666666665, 3.6666666666666665],
              mask=[False, False],
              fill_value=1e+20)
```

With `keepdims=True`, the following result has shape (3, 1).

```
>>> np.ma.average(x, axis=1, keepdims=True)
masked_array(
  data=[[0.5],
        [2.5],
        [4.5]],
  mask=False,
  fill_value=1e+20)
```

`ma.conjugate(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <numpy.ma.core._MaskedUnaryOperation object>`

Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.

The complex conjugate of a complex number is obtained by changing the sign of its imaginary part.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input value.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray] The complex conjugate of `x`, with same `dtype` as `y`. This is a scalar if `x` is a scalar.

## Notes

`conj` is an alias for `conjugate`:

```
>>> np.conj is np.conjugate
True
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.conjugate(1+2j)
(1-2j)
```

```
>>> x = np.eye(2) + 1j * np.eye(2)
>>> np.conjugate(x)
array([[ 1.-1.j,  0.-0.j],
       [ 0.-0.j,  1.-1.j]])
```

`ma.corrcoef`(*x*, *y*=*None*, *rowvar*=*True*, *bias*=<*no value*>, *allow\_masked*=*True*, *ddof*=<*no value*>)

Return Pearson product-moment correlation coefficients.

Except for the handling of missing data this function does the same as `numpy.corrcoef`. For more details and examples, see `numpy.corrcoef`.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] A 1-D or 2-D array containing multiple variables and observations. Each row of *x* represents a variable, and each column a single observation of all those variables. Also see *rowvar* below.

#### y

[array\_like, optional] An additional set of variables and observations. *y* has the same shape as *x*.

#### rowvar

[bool, optional] If *rowvar* is True (default), then each row represents a variable, with observations in the columns. Otherwise, the relationship is transposed: each column represents a variable, while the rows contain observations.

#### bias

[\_NoValue, optional] Has no effect, do not use.

Deprecated since version 1.10.0.

#### allow\_masked

[bool, optional] If True, masked values are propagated pair-wise: if a value is masked in *x*, the corresponding value is masked in *y*. If False, raises an exception. Because *bias* is deprecated, this argument needs to be treated as keyword only to avoid a warning.

#### ddof

[\_NoValue, optional] Has no effect, do not use.

Deprecated since version 1.10.0.

See also:

[numpy.corrcoef](#)

Equivalent function in top-level NumPy module.

[cov](#)

Estimate the covariance matrix.

## Notes

This function accepts but discards arguments *bias* and *ddof*. This is for backwards compatibility with previous versions of this function. These arguments had no effect on the return values of the function and can be safely ignored in this and previous versions of numpy.

`ma.cov(x, y=None, rowvar=True, bias=False, allow_masked=True, ddof=None)`

Estimate the covariance matrix.

Except for the handling of missing data this function does the same as [numpy.cov](#). For more details and examples, see [numpy.cov](#).

By default, masked values are recognized as such. If *x* and *y* have the same shape, a common mask is allocated: if *x*[*i*, *j*] is masked, then *y*[*i*, *j*] will also be masked. Setting *allow\_masked* to False will raise an exception if values are missing in either of the input arrays.

## Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] A 1-D or 2-D array containing multiple variables and observations. Each row of *x* represents a variable, and each column a single observation of all those variables. Also see *rowvar* below.

**y**

[array\_like, optional] An additional set of variables and observations. *y* has the same shape as *x*.

**rowvar**

[bool, optional] If *rowvar* is True (default), then each row represents a variable, with observations in the columns. Otherwise, the relationship is transposed: each column represents a variable, while the rows contain observations.

**bias**

[bool, optional] Default normalization (False) is by  $(N-1)$ , where  $N$  is the number of observations given (unbiased estimate). If *bias* is True, then normalization is by  $N$ . This keyword can be overridden by the keyword *ddof* in numpy versions  $\geq 1.5$ .

**allow\_masked**

[bool, optional] If True, masked values are propagated pair-wise: if a value is masked in *x*, the corresponding value is masked in *y*. If False, raises a *ValueError* exception when some values are missing.

**ddof**

[{None, int}, optional] If not None normalization is by  $(N - ddof)$ , where  $N$  is the number of observations; this overrides the value implied by *bias*. The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.

### Raises

#### `ValueError`

Raised if some values are missing and `allow_masked` is False.

See also:

[`numpy.cov`](#)

`ma.cumsum(self, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Return the cumulative sum of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked values are set to 0 internally during the computation. However, their position is saved, and the result will be masked at the same locations.

Refer to [`numpy.cumsum`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ndarray.cumsum`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[`numpy.cumsum`](#)

equivalent function

### Notes

The mask is lost if `out` is not a valid [`ma.MaskedArray`](#)!

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

### Examples

```
>>> marr = np.ma.array(np.arange(10), mask=[0,0,0,1,1,1,0,0,0,0])
>>> marr.cumsum()
masked_array(data=[0, 1, 3, --, --, --, 9, 16, 24, 33],
              mask=[False, False, False, True, True, True, False, False,
                     False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.cumprod(self, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Return the cumulative product of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked values are set to 1 internally during the computation. However, their position is saved, and the result will be masked at the same locations.

Refer to [`numpy.cumprod`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ndarray.cumprod`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[`numpy.cumprod`](#)

equivalent function

**Notes**

The mask is lost if *out* is not a valid MaskedArray !

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

```
ma.mean(self, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>) =  
    <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>
```

Returns the average of the array elements along given axis.

Masked entries are ignored, and result elements which are not finite will be masked.

Refer to [`numpy.mean`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**[`numpy.ndarray.mean`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[`numpy.mean`](#)

Equivalent function

[`numpy.ma.average`](#)

Weighted average.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1, 2, 3], mask=[False, False, True])  
>>> a  
masked_array(data=[1, 2, --],  
             mask=[False, False, True],  
             fill_value=999999)  
>>> a.mean()  
1.5
```

`ma.median(a, axis=None, out=None, overwrite_input=False, keepdims=False)`

Compute the median along the specified axis.

Returns the median of the array elements.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which the medians are computed. The default (None) is to compute the median along a flattened version of the array.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output but the type will be cast if necessary.

**overwrite\_input**

[bool, optional] If True, then allow use of memory of input array (a) for calculations. The input array will be modified by the call to median. This will save memory when you do not need to preserve the contents of the input array. Treat the input as undefined, but it will probably be fully or partially sorted. Default is False. Note that, if *overwrite\_input* is True, and the input is not already an *ndarray*, an error will be raised.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

New in version 1.10.0.

**Returns****median**

[ndarray] A new array holding the result is returned unless out is specified, in which case a reference to out is returned. Return data-type is *float64* for integers and floats smaller than *float64*, or the input data-type, otherwise.

**See also:**

[mean](#)

**Notes**

Given a vector V with N non masked values, the median of V is the middle value of a sorted copy of V (Vs) - i.e. Vs [ (N-1) / 2 ], when N is odd, or {Vs [N/2 - 1] + Vs [N/2]} / 2 when N is even.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.arange(8), mask=[0]*4 + [1]*4)
>>> np.ma.median(x)
1.5
```

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.arange(10).reshape(2, 5), mask=[0]*6 + [1]*4)
>>> np.ma.median(x)
2.5
>>> np.ma.median(x, axis=-1, overwrite_input=True)
masked_array(data=[2.0, 5.0],
             mask=[False, False],
             fill_value=1e+20)
```

[ma.power\(a, b, third=None\)](#)

Returns element-wise base array raised to power from second array.

This is the masked array version of [numpy.power](#). For details see [numpy.power](#).

See also:

[`numpy.power`](#)

## Notes

The `out` argument to [`numpy.power`](#) is not supported, `third` has to be `None`.

```
ma.prod(self, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>) =  
    <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>
```

Return the product of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked elements are set to 1 internally for computation.

Refer to [`numpy.prod`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ndarray.prod`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[`numpy.prod`](#)

equivalent function

## Notes

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

```
ma.std(self, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=<no value>) =  
    <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>
```

Returns the standard deviation of the array elements along given axis.

Masked entries are ignored.

Refer to [`numpy.std`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ndarray.std`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

[`numpy.std`](#)

Equivalent function

```
ma.sum(self, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>) =  
    <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>
```

Return the sum of the array elements over the given axis.

Masked elements are set to 0 internally.

Refer to [`numpy.sum`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ndarray.sum`](#)

corresponding function for ndarrays

**`numpy.sum`**

equivalent function

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.array([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9]], mask=[0] + [1,0]*4)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[1, --, 3],
        [--, 5, --],
        [7, --, 9]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
        [False,  True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.sum()
25
>>> x.sum(axis=1)
masked_array(data=[4, 5, 16],
             mask=[False, False, False],
             fill_value=999999)
>>> x.sum(axis=0)
masked_array(data=[8, 5, 12],
             mask=[False, False, False],
             fill_value=999999)
>>> print(type(x.sum(axis=0, dtype=np.int64)[0]))
<class 'numpy.int64'>
```

`ma.var(self, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=<no value>) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Compute the variance along the specified axis.

Returns the variance of the array elements, a measure of the spread of a distribution. The variance is computed for the flattened array by default, otherwise over the specified axis.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose variance is desired. If *a* is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which the variance is computed. The default is to compute the variance of the flattened array.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, a variance is performed over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Type to use in computing the variance. For arrays of integer type the default is `float64`; for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type is cast if necessary.

#### ddof

[int, optional] “Delta Degrees of Freedom”: the divisor used in the calculation is  $N - ddof$ , where  $N$  represents the number of elements. By default *ddof* is zero.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then *keepdims* will not be passed through to the *var* method of sub-classes of *ndarray*, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class’ method does not implement *keepdims* any exceptions will be raised.

#### where

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the variance. See *reduce* for details.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### variance

[ndarray, see dtype parameter above] If *out=None*, returns a new array containing the variance; otherwise, a reference to the output array is returned.

### See also:

[\*std, mean, nanmean, nanstd, nanvar\*](#)

[\*\*ufuncs-output-type\*\*](#)

### Notes

The variance is the average of the squared deviations from the mean, i.e.,  $\text{var} = \text{mean}(x^2)$ , where  $x = \text{abs}(a - a.\text{mean})^2$ .

The mean is typically calculated as  $x.\text{sum()}/N$ , where  $N = \text{len}(x)$ . If, however, *ddof* is specified, the divisor  $N - ddof$  is used instead. In standard statistical practice, *ddof=1* provides an unbiased estimator of the variance of a hypothetical infinite population. *ddof=0* provides a maximum likelihood estimate of the variance for normally distributed variables.

Note that for complex numbers, the absolute value is taken before squaring, so that the result is always real and nonnegative.

For floating-point input, the variance is computed using the same precision the input has. Depending on the input data, this can cause the results to be inaccurate, especially for *float32* (see example below). Specifying a higher-accuracy accumulator using the *dtype* keyword can alleviate this issue.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> np.var(a)
1.25
>>> np.var(a, axis=0)
array([1., 1.])
>>> np.var(a, axis=1)
array([0.25, 0.25])
```

In single precision, var() can be inaccurate:

```
>>> a = np.zeros((2, 512*512), dtype=np.float32)
>>> a[0, :] = 1.0
>>> a[1, :] = 0.1
>>> np.var(a)
0.20250003
```

Computing the variance in float64 is more accurate:

```
>>> np.var(a, dtype=np.float64)
0.20249999932944759 # may vary
>>> ((1-0.55)**2 + (0.1-0.55)**2)/2
0.2025
```

Specifying a where argument:

```
>>> a = np.array([[14, 8, 11, 10], [7, 9, 10, 11], [10, 15, 5, 10]])
>>> np.var(a)
6.833333333333333 # may vary
>>> np.var(a, where=[[True], [True], [False]])
4.0
```

## Minimum/maximum

<code>ma.argmax(self[, axis, fill_value, out])</code>	Returns array of indices of the maximum values along the given axis.
<code>ma.argmin(self[, axis, fill_value, out])</code>	Return array of indices to the minimum values along the given axis.
<code>ma.max(obj[, axis, out, fill_value, keepdims])</code>	Return the maximum along a given axis.
<code>ma.min(obj[, axis, out, fill_value, keepdims])</code>	Return the minimum along a given axis.
<code>ma.ptp(obj[, axis, out, fill_value, keepdims])</code>	Return (maximum - minimum) along the given dimension (i.e.
<code>ma.diff(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Calculate the n-th discrete difference along the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.argmax([axis, fill_value, ...])</code>	Returns array of indices of the maximum values along the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.argmin([axis, fill_value, ...])</code>	Return array of indices to the minimum values along the given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.max([axis, out, fill_value, ...])</code>	Return the maximum along a given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.min([axis, out, fill_value, ...])</code>	Return the minimum along a given axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.ptp([axis, out, fill_value, ...])</code>	Return (maximum - minimum) along the given dimension (i.e.

`ma.argmax (self, axis=None, fill_value=None, out=None) = <numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Returns array of indices of the maximum values along the given axis. Masked values are treated as if they had the value fill\_value.

### Parameters

#### axis

[{None, integer}] If None, the index is into the flattened array, otherwise along the specified axis

#### fill\_value

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. If None, the output of maximum\_fill\_value(self.\_data) is used instead.

#### out

[{None, array}, optional] Array into which the result can be placed. Its type is preserved and it must be of the right shape to hold the output.

### Returns

#### index\_array

[{integer\_array}]

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> a.argmax()
5
>>> a.argmax(0)
array([1, 1, 1])
>>> a.argmax(1)
array([2, 2])
```

ma.argmax(self, axis=None, fill\_value=None, out=None) = <numpy.ma.core.\_frommethod object>

Return array of indices to the minimum values along the given axis.

### Parameters

#### axis

[{None, integer}] If None, the index is into the flattened array, otherwise along the specified axis

#### fill\_value

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. If None, the output of minimum\_fill\_value(self.\_data) is used instead.

#### out

[{None, array}, optional] Array into which the result can be placed. Its type is preserved and it must be of the right shape to hold the output.

### Returns

**ndarray or scalar**

If multi-dimension input, returns a new ndarray of indices to the minimum values along the given axis. Otherwise, returns a scalar of index to the minimum values along the given axis.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.arange(4), mask=[1, 1, 0, 0])
>>> x.shape = (2,2)
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[--, --],
        [2, 3]],
  mask=[[ True,  True],
        [False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> x.argmin(axis=0, fill_value=-1)
array([0, 0])
>>> x.argmin(axis=0, fill_value=9)
array([1, 1])
```

`ma.max(obj, axis=None, out=None, fill_value=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the maximum along a given axis.

**Parameters****axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis along which to operate. By default, `axis` is None and the flattened input is used. .. versionadded:: 1.7.0 If this is a tuple of ints, the maximum is selected over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

**out**

[array\_like, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. Must be of the same shape and buffer length as the expected output.

**fill\_value**

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. If None, use the output of `maximum_fill_value()`.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

**Returns****amax**

[array\_like] New array holding the result. If `out` was specified, `out` is returned.

**See also:**

[`ma.maximum\_fill\_value`](#)

Returns the maximum filling value for a given datatype.

`ma.min(obj, axis=None, out=None, fill_value=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the minimum along a given axis.

### Parameters

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis along which to operate. By default, `axis` is None and the flattened input is used. .. versionadded:: 1.7.0 If this is a tuple of ints, the minimum is selected over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

#### out

[array\_like, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. Must be of the same shape and buffer length as the expected output.

#### fill\_value

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values. If None, use the output of `minimum_fill_value`.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

### Returns

#### amin

[array\_like] New array holding the result. If `out` was specified, `out` is returned.

### See also:

#### `ma.minimum_fill_value`

Returns the minimum filling value for a given datatype.

`ma.ptp(obj, axis=None, out=None, fill_value=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return (maximum - minimum) along the given dimension (i.e. peak-to-peak value).

**Warning:** `ptp` preserves the data type of the array. This means the return value for an input of signed integers with n bits (e.g. `np.int8`, `np.int16`, etc) is also a signed integer with n bits. In that case, peak-to-peak values greater than  $2^{** (n-1)} - 1$  will be returned as negative values. An example with a work-around is shown below.

### Parameters

#### axis

[{None, int}, optional] Axis along which to find the peaks. If None (default) the flattened array is used.

#### out

[{None, array\_like}, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output but the type will be cast if necessary.

**fill\_value**

[scalar or None, optional] Value used to fill in the masked values.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

**Returns****ptp**

[ndarray.] A new array holding the result, unless out was specified, in which case a reference to out is returned.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.ma.MaskedArray([[4, 9, 2, 10],
...                         [6, 9, 7, 12]])
```

```
>>> x.ptp(axis=1)
masked_array(data=[8, 6],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> x.ptp(axis=0)
masked_array(data=[2, 0, 5, 2],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999)
```

```
>>> x.ptp()
10
```

This example shows that a negative value can be returned when the input is an array of signed integers.

```
>>> y = np.ma.MaskedArray([[1, 127],
...                         [0, 127],
...                         [-1, 127],
...                         [-2, 127]], dtype=np.int8)
>>> y.ptp(axis=1)
masked_array(data=[126, 127, -128, -127],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999,
             dtype=int8)
```

A work-around is to use the `view()` method to view the result as unsigned integers with the same bit width:

```
>>> y.ptp(axis=1).view(np.uint8)
masked_array(data=[126, 127, 128, 129],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999,
             dtype=uint8)
```

```
ma.diff(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>
```

Calculate the n-th discrete difference along the given axis.

The first difference is given by `out[i] = a[i+1] - a[i]` along the given axis, higher differences are calculated by using `diff` recursively.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array

**n**

[int, optional] The number of times values are differenced. If zero, the input is returned as-is.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis along which the difference is taken, default is the last axis.

**prepend, append**

[array\_like, optional] Values to prepend or append to *a* along axis prior to performing the difference. Scalar values are expanded to arrays with length 1 in the direction of axis and the shape of the input array in along all other axes. Otherwise the dimension and shape must match *a* except along axis.

New in version 1.16.0.

### Returns

**diff**

[MaskedArray] The n-th differences. The shape of the output is the same as *a* except along *axis* where the dimension is smaller by *n*. The type of the output is the same as the type of the difference between any two elements of *a*. This is the same as the type of *a* in most cases. A notable exception is `datetime64`, which results in a `timedelta64` output array.

### See also:

`gradient`, `ediff1d`, `cumsum`

### Notes

Type is preserved for boolean arrays, so the result will contain *False* when consecutive elements are the same and *True* when they differ.

For unsigned integer arrays, the results will also be unsigned. This should not be surprising, as the result is consistent with calculating the difference directly:

```
>>> u8_arr = np.array([1, 0], dtype=np.uint8)
>>> np.diff(u8_arr)
array([255], dtype=uint8)
>>> u8_arr[1,...] - u8_arr[0,...]
255
```

If this is not desirable, then the array should be cast to a larger integer type first:

```
>>> i16_arr = u8_arr.astype(np.int16)
>>> np.diff(i16_arr)
array([-1], dtype=int16)
```

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 4, 7, 0])
>>> np.diff(x)
array([ 1,  2,  3, -7])
>>> np.diff(x, n=2)
array([ 1,  1, -10])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 3, 6, 10], [0, 5, 6, 8]])
>>> np.diff(x)
array([[2, 3, 4],
       [5, 1, 2]])
>>> np.diff(x, axis=0)
array([[1, 2, 0, -2]])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange('1066-10-13', '1066-10-16', dtype=np.datetime64)
>>> np.diff(x)
array([1, 1], dtype='timedelta64[D]')
```

## Sorting

<code>ma.argsort(a[, axis, kind, order, endwith, ...])</code>	Return an ndarray of indices that sort the array along the specified axis.
<code>ma.sort(a[, axis, kind, order, endwith, ...])</code>	Return a sorted copy of the masked array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.argsort([axis, kind, order, ...])</code>	Return an ndarray of indices that sort the array along the specified axis.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.sort([axis, kind, order, ...])</code>	Sort the array, in-place

`ma.argsort (a, axis=<no value>, kind=None, order=None, endwith=True, fill_value=None)`

Return an ndarray of indices that sort the array along the specified axis. Masked values are filled beforehand to `fill_value`.

### Parameters

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. If None, the default, the flattened array is used.

Changed in version 1.13.0: Previously, the default was documented to be -1, but that was in error. At some future date, the default will change to -1, as originally intended. Until then, the axis should be given explicitly when `arr.ndim > 1`, to avoid a FutureWarning.

#### kind

[{'quicksort', 'mergesort', 'heapsort', 'stable'}, optional] The sorting algorithm used.

#### order

[list, optional] When `a` is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. Not all fields need be specified.

**endwith**

[{True, False}, optional] Whether missing values (if any) should be treated as the largest values (True) or the smallest values (False). When the array contains unmasked values at the same extremes of the datatype, the ordering of these values and the masked values is undefined.

**fill\_value**

[scalar or None, optional] Value used internally for the masked values. If `fill_value` is not `None`, it supersedes `endwith`.

**Returns****index\_array**

[ndarray, int] Array of indices that sort `a` along the specified axis. In other words, `a[index_array]` yields a sorted `a`.

**See also:****`ma.MaskedArray.sort`**

Describes sorting algorithms used.

**`lexsort`**

Indirect stable sort with multiple keys.

**`numpy.ndarray.sort`**

Inplace sort.

**Notes**

See `sort` for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([3,2,1], mask=[False, False, True])
>>> a
masked_array(data=[3, 2, --],
              mask=[False, False,  True],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> a.argsort()
array([1, 0, 2])
```

`ma.sort(a, axis=-1, kind=None, order=None, endwith=True, fill_value=None)`

Return a sorted copy of the masked array.

Equivalent to creating a copy of the array and applying the `MaskedArray.sort()` method.

Refer to `MaskedArray.sort` for the full documentation

**See also:****`MaskedArray.sort`**

equivalent method

## Algebra

<code>ma.diag(v[, k])</code>	Extract a diagonal or construct a diagonal array.
<code>ma.dot(a, b[, strict, out])</code>	Return the dot product of two arrays.
<code>ma.identity(n[, dtype])</code>	Return the identity array.
<code>ma.inner(a, b, /)</code>	Inner product of two arrays.
<code>ma.innerproduct(a, b, /)</code>	Inner product of two arrays.
<code>ma.outer(a, b)</code>	Compute the outer product of two vectors.
<code>ma.outerproduct(a, b)</code>	Compute the outer product of two vectors.
<code>ma.trace(self[, offset, axis1, axis2, ...])</code>	Return the sum along diagonals of the array.
<code>ma.transpose(a[, axes])</code>	Permute the dimensions of an array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.trace([offset, axis1, axis2, ...])</code>	Return the sum along diagonals of the array.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.transpose(*axes)</code>	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.

`ma.diag (v, k=0)`

Extract a diagonal or construct a diagonal array.

This function is the equivalent of `numpy.diag` that takes masked values into account, see `numpy.diag` for details.

See also:

`numpy.diag`

Equivalent function for ndarrays.

`ma.dot (a, b, strict=False, out=None)`

Return the dot product of two arrays.

This function is the equivalent of `numpy.dot` that takes masked values into account. Note that `strict` and `out` are in different position than in the method version. In order to maintain compatibility with the corresponding method, it is recommended that the optional arguments be treated as keyword only. At some point that may be mandatory.

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**Note:** Works only with 2-D arrays at the moment.

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### Parameters

**a, b**

[masked\_array\_like] Inputs arrays.

**strict**

[bool, optional] Whether masked data are propagated (True) or set to 0 (False) for the computation. Default is False. Propagating the mask means that if a masked value appears in a row or column, the whole row or column is considered masked.

**out**

[masked\_array, optional] Output argument. This must have the exact kind that would be returned if it was not used. In particular, it must have the right type, must be C-contiguous, and its dtype must be the dtype that would be returned for `dot(a,b)`. This is a performance feature. Therefore, if these conditions are not met, an exception is raised, instead of attempting to be flexible.

New in version 1.10.2.

See also:

[numpy.dot](#)

Equivalent function for ndarrays.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], mask=[[1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
>>> b = np.ma.array([[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]], mask=[[1, 0], [0, 0], [0, 0]])
>>> np.ma.dot(a, b)
masked_array
  data=[[21, 26],
        [45, 64]],
  mask=[[False, False],
        [False, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
>>> np.ma.dot(a, b, strict=True)
masked_array
  data=[[--, --],
        [--, 64]],
  mask=[[ True,  True],
        [ True, False]],
  fill_value=999999)
```

`ma.identity(n, dtype=None) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Return the identity array.

The identity array is a square array with ones on the main diagonal.

### Parameters

#### n

[int] Number of rows (and columns) in  $n \times n$  output.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the output. Defaults to `float`.

#### like

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### out

[MaskedArray]  $n \times n$  array with its main diagonal set to one, and all other elements 0.

## Examples

```
>>> np.identity(3)
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
```

`ma.inner(a, b, /)`

Inner product of two arrays.

Ordinary inner product of vectors for 1-D arrays (without complex conjugation), in higher dimensions a sum product over the last axes.

### Parameters

**a, b**

[array\_like] If *a* and *b* are nonscalar, their last dimensions must match.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] If *a* and *b* are both scalars or both 1-D arrays then a scalar is returned; otherwise an array is returned. `out.shape = (*a.shape[:-1], *b.shape[:-1])`

### Raises

**ValueError**

If both *a* and *b* are nonscalar and their last dimensions have different sizes.

### See also:

**`tensordot`**

Sum products over arbitrary axes.

**`dot`**

Generalised matrix product, using second last dimension of *b*.

**`einsum`**

Einstein summation convention.

## Notes

Masked values are replaced by 0.

For vectors (1-D arrays) it computes the ordinary inner-product:

```
np.inner(a, b) = sum(a[:] * b[:])
```

More generally, if  $ndim(a) = r > 0$  and  $ndim(b) = s > 0$ :

```
np.inner(a, b) = np.tensordot(a, b, axes=(-1, -1))
```

or explicitly:

```
np.inner(a, b)[i0,...,ir-2,j0,...,js-2]
= sum(a[i0,...,ir-2,:]*b[j0,...,js-2,:])
```

In addition  $a$  or  $b$  may be scalars, in which case:

```
np.inner(a,b) = a*b
```

## Examples

Ordinary inner product for vectors:

```
>>> a = np.array([1,2,3])
>>> b = np.array([0,1,0])
>>> np.inner(a, b)
2
```

Some multidimensional examples:

```
>>> a = np.arange(24).reshape((2,3,4))
>>> b = np.arange(4)
>>> c = np.inner(a, b)
>>> c.shape
(2, 3)
>>> c
array([[ 14,   38,   62],
       [ 86,  110,  134]])
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(2).reshape((1,1,2))
>>> b = np.arange(6).reshape((3,2))
>>> c = np.inner(a, b)
>>> c.shape
(1, 1, 3)
>>> c
array([[[1, 3, 5]]])
```

An example where  $b$  is a scalar:

```
>>> np.inner(np.eye(2), 7)
array([[7., 0.],
       [0., 7.]])
```

`ma.innerproduct(a, b, /)`

Inner product of two arrays.

Ordinary inner product of vectors for 1-D arrays (without complex conjugation), in higher dimensions a sum product over the last axes.

### Parameters

**a, b**

[array\_like] If  $a$  and  $b$  are nonscalar, their last dimensions must match.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] If  $a$  and  $b$  are both scalars or both 1-D arrays then a scalar is returned; otherwise an array is returned. `out.shape = (*a.shape[:-1], *b.shape[:-1])`

**Raises****ValueError**

If both  $a$  and  $b$  are nonscalar and their last dimensions have different sizes.

**See also:****`tensordot`**

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**`dot`**

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```

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```
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       [0., 7.]])
```

## ma.outer(a, b)

Compute the outer product of two vectors.

Given two vectors,  $a = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_M]$  and  $b = [b_0, b_1, \dots, b_N]$ , the outer product [1] is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} [a_0*b_0 & a_0*b_1 \dots & a_0*b_N] \\ [a_1*b_0 & \dots & ] \\ [\dots & \dots & ] \\ [a_M*b_0 & \dots & a_M*b_N] \end{bmatrix}$$

### Parameters

#### a

[(M,) array\_like] First input vector. Input is flattened if not already 1-dimensional.

#### b

[(N,) array\_like] Second input vector. Input is flattened if not already 1-dimensional.

#### out

[(M, N) ndarray, optional] A location where the result is stored

New in version 1.9.0.

### Returns

#### out

[(M, N) ndarray]  $\text{out}[i, j] = a[i] * b[j]$

### See also:

[inner](#)

**`einsum`**

`einsum('i,j->ij', a.ravel(), b.ravel())` is the equivalent.

**`ufunc.outer`**

A generalization to dimensions other than 1D and other operations. `np.multiply.outer(a.ravel(), b.ravel())` is the equivalent.

**`tensordot`**

`np.tensordot(a.ravel(), b.ravel(), axes=(((), ()))` is the equivalent.

**Notes**

Masked values are replaced by 0.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

Make a (*very* coarse) grid for computing a Mandelbrot set:

```
>>> rl = np.outer(np.ones((5,)), np.linspace(-2, 2, 5))
>>> rl
array([[ -2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.]])
>>> im = np.outer(1j*np.linspace(2, -2, 5), np.ones((5,)))
>>> im
array([[ 0.+2.j,  0.+2.j,  0.+2.j,  0.+2.j,  0.+2.j],
       [ 0.+1.j,  0.+1.j,  0.+1.j,  0.+1.j,  0.+1.j],
       [ 0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
       [ 0.-1.j,  0.-1.j,  0.-1.j,  0.-1.j,  0.-1.j],
       [ 0.-2.j,  0.-2.j,  0.-2.j,  0.-2.j,  0.-2.j]])
>>> grid = rl + im
>>> grid
array([[ -2.+2.j, -1.+2.j,  0.+2.j,  1.+2.j,  2.+2.j],
       [-2.+1.j, -1.+1.j,  0.+1.j,  1.+1.j,  2.+1.j],
       [-2.+0.j, -1.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  1.+0.j,  2.+0.j],
       [-2.-1.j, -1.-1.j,  0.-1.j,  1.-1.j,  2.-1.j],
       [-2.-2.j, -1.-2.j,  0.-2.j,  1.-2.j,  2.-2.j]])
```

An example using a “vector” of letters:

```
>>> x = np.array(['a', 'b', 'c'], dtype=object)
>>> np.outer(x, [1, 2, 3])
array([['a', 'aa', 'aaa'],
       ['b', 'bb', 'bbb'],
       ['c', 'cc', 'ccc']], dtype=object)
```

**ma.outerproduct (a, b)**

Compute the outer product of two vectors.

Given two vectors,  $a = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_M]$  and  $b = [b_0, b_1, \dots, b_N]$ , the outer product [1] is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} [a_0*b_0 & a_0*b_1 & \dots & a_0*b_N] \\ [a_1*b_0 & \dots & \dots & \dots] \\ [ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots] \\ [a_M*b_0 & \dots & a_M*b_N] \end{bmatrix}$$

**Parameters****a**

[(M,) array\_like] First input vector. Input is flattened if not already 1-dimensional.

**b**

[(N,) array\_like] Second input vector. Input is flattened if not already 1-dimensional.

**out**

[(M, N) ndarray, optional] A location where the result is stored

New in version 1.9.0.

**Returns****out**

[(M, N) ndarray]  $out[i, j] = a[i] * b[j]$

**See also:**

[\*\*inner\*\*](#)

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`einsum('i,j->ij', a.ravel(), b.ravel())` is the equivalent.

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**Notes**

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       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.]])
>>> im = np.outer(1j*np.linspace(2, -2, 5), np.ones((5,)))
>>> im
array([[0.+2.j, 0.+2.j, 0.+2.j, 0.+2.j, 0.+2.j],
       [0.+1.j, 0.+1.j, 0.+1.j, 0.+1.j, 0.+1.j],
       [0.+0.j, 0.+0.j, 0.+0.j, 0.+0.j, 0.+0.j],
       [0.-1.j, 0.-1.j, 0.-1.j, 0.-1.j, 0.-1.j],
       [0.-2.j, 0.-2.j, 0.-2.j, 0.-2.j, 0.-2.j]])
>>> grid = rl + im
>>> grid
array([[-2.+2.j, -1.+2.j,  0.+2.j,  1.+2.j,  2.+2.j],
       [-2.+1.j, -1.+1.j,  0.+1.j,  1.+1.j,  2.+1.j],
       [-2.+0.j, -1.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  1.+0.j,  2.+0.j],
       [-2.-1.j, -1.-1.j,  0.-1.j,  1.-1.j,  2.-1.j],
       [-2.-2.j, -1.-2.j,  0.-2.j,  1.-2.j,  2.-2.j]])
```

An example using a “vector” of letters:

```
>>> x = np.array(['a', 'b', 'c'], dtype=object)
>>> np.outer(x, [1, 2, 3])
array([['a', 'aa', 'aaa'],
       ['b', 'bb', 'bbb'],
       ['c', 'cc', 'ccc']], dtype=object)
```

`ma.trace(self, offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1, dtype=None, out=None)` `a.trace(offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1, dtype=None, out=None)` = `<numpy.ma.core._frommethod object>`

Return the sum along diagonals of the array.

Refer to `numpy.trace` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.trace`

equivalent function

## Polynomial fit

<code>ma.vander(x[, n])</code>	Generate a Vandermonde matrix.
<code>ma.polyfit(x, y, deg[, rcond, full, w, cov])</code>	Least squares polynomial fit.

`ma.vander(x, n=None)`

Generate a Vandermonde matrix.

The columns of the output matrix are powers of the input vector. The order of the powers is determined by the *increasing* boolean argument. Specifically, when *increasing* is False, the  $i$ -th output column is the input vector raised element-wise to the power of  $N - i - 1$ . Such a matrix with a geometric progression in each row is named for Alexandre-Theophile Vandermonde.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] 1-D input array.

**N**

[int, optional] Number of columns in the output. If  $N$  is not specified, a square array is returned ( $N = \text{len}(x)$ ).

**increasing**

[bool, optional] Order of the powers of the columns. If True, the powers increase from left to right, if False (the default) they are reversed.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Vandermonde matrix. If *increasing* is False, the first column is  $x^{(N-1)}$ , the second  $x^{(N-2)}$  and so forth. If *increasing* is True, the columns are  $x^0, x^1, \dots, x^{(N-1)}$ .

### See also:

[`polynomial.polynomial.polyvander`](#)

### Notes

Masked values in the input array result in rows of zeros.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3, 5])
>>> N = 3
>>> np.vander(x, N)
array([[ 1,  1,  1],
       [ 4,  2,  1],
       [ 9,  3,  1],
       [25,  5,  1]])
```

```
>>> np.column_stack([x** (N-1-i) for i in range(N)])
array([[ 1,  1,  1],
       [ 4,  2,  1],
       [ 9,  3,  1],
       [25,  5,  1]])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3, 5])
>>> np.vander(x)
array([[ 1,  1,  1,  1],
       [ 8,  4,  2,  1],
       [27,  9,  3,  1],
       [125, 25,  5,  1]])
>>> np.vander(x, increasing=True)
array([[ 1,  1,  1,  1],
       [ 1,  2,  4,  8],
       [ 1,  3,  9, 27],
       [ 1,  5, 25, 125]])
```

The determinant of a square Vandermonde matrix is the product of the differences between the values of the input vector:

```
>>> np.linalg.det(np.vander(x))
48.000000000000043 # may vary
>>> (5-3)*(5-2)*(5-1)*(3-2)*(3-1)*(2-1)
48
```

`ma.polyfit(x, y, deg, rcond=None, full=False, w=None, cov=False)`

Least squares polynomial fit.

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**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

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Fit a polynomial  $p(x) = p[0] * x^{deg} + \dots + p[deg]$  of degree  $deg$  to points  $(x, y)$ . Returns a vector of coefficients  $p$  that minimises the squared error in the order  $deg, deg-1, \dots, 0$ .

The `Polynomial.fit` class method is recommended for new code as it is more stable numerically. See the documentation of the method for more information.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points ( $x[i], y[i]$ ).

**y**

[array\_like, shape (M,) or (M, K)] y-coordinates of the sample points. Several data sets of sample points sharing the same x-coordinates can be fitted at once by passing in a 2D-array that contains one dataset per column.

**deg**

[int] Degree of the fitting polynomial

**rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is  $\text{len}(x)*\text{eps}$ , where  $\text{eps}$  is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight  $w[i]$  applies to the un-squared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products  $w[i]*y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\sigma(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

**cov**

[bool or str, optional] If given and not *False*, return not just the estimate but also its covariance matrix. By default, the covariance are scaled by chi2/dof, where dof = M - (deg + 1), i.e., the weights are presumed to be unreliable except in a relative sense and everything is scaled such that the reduced chi2 is unity. This scaling is omitted if cov='unscaled', as is relevant for the case that the weights are  $w = 1/\sigma$ , with sigma known to be a reliable estimate of the uncertainty.

**Returns****p**

[ndarray, shape (deg + 1,) or (deg + 1, K)] Polynomial coefficients, highest power first. If  $y$  was 2-D, the coefficients for  $k$ -th data set are in  $p[:, k]$ .

**residuals, rank, singular\_values, rcond**

These values are only returned if  $\text{full} == \text{True}$

- residuals – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit

- **rank – the effective rank of the scaled Vandermonde**

coefficient matrix

- **singular\_values – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde**

coefficient matrix

- rcond – value of *rcond*.

For more details, see [\*numpy.linalg.lstsq\*](#).

**v**

[ndarray, shape (M,M) or (M,M,K)] Present only if  $\text{full} == \text{False}$  and  $\text{cov} == \text{True}$ . The covariance matrix of the polynomial coefficient estimates. The diagonal of this matrix are

the variance estimates for each coefficient. If  $y$  is a 2-D array, then the covariance matrix for the  $k$ -th data set are in  $V[:, :, k]$

## Warns

### RankWarning

The rank of the coefficient matrix in the least-squares fit is deficient. The warning is only raised if `full == False`.

The warnings can be turned off by

```
>>> import warnings
>>> warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
```

## See also:

### `polyval`

Compute polynomial values.

### `linalg.lstsq`

Computes a least-squares fit.

### `scipy.interpolate.UnivariateSpline`

Computes spline fits.

## Notes

Any masked values in  $x$  is propagated in  $y$ , and vice-versa.

The solution minimizes the squared error

$$E = \sum_{j=0}^k |p(x_j) - y_j|^2$$

in the equations:

```
x[0]**n * p[0] + ... + x[0] * p[n-1] + p[n] = y[0]
x[1]**n * p[0] + ... + x[1] * p[n-1] + p[n] = y[1]
...
x[k]**n * p[0] + ... + x[k] * p[n-1] + p[n] = y[k]
```

The coefficient matrix of the coefficients  $p$  is a Vandermonde matrix.

`polyfit` issues a `RankWarning` when the least-squares fit is badly conditioned. This implies that the best fit is not well-defined due to numerical error. The results may be improved by lowering the polynomial degree or by replacing  $x$  by  $x - x.mean()$ . The `rcond` parameter can also be set to a value smaller than its default, but the resulting fit may be spurious: including contributions from the small singular values can add numerical noise to the result.

Note that fitting polynomial coefficients is inherently badly conditioned when the degree of the polynomial is large or the interval of sample points is badly centered. The quality of the fit should always be checked in these cases. When polynomial fits are not satisfactory, splines may be a good alternative.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> import warnings
>>> x = np.array([0.0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0])
>>> y = np.array([0.0, 0.8, 0.9, 0.1, -0.8, -1.0])
>>> z = np.polyfit(x, y, 3)
>>> z
array([ 0.08703704, -0.81349206,  1.69312169, -0.03968254]) # may vary
```

It is convenient to use `poly1d` objects for dealing with polynomials:

```
>>> p = np.poly1d(z)
>>> p(0.5)
0.6143849206349179 # may vary
>>> p(3.5)
-0.34732142857143039 # may vary
>>> p(10)
22.579365079365115 # may vary
```

High-order polynomials may oscillate wildly:

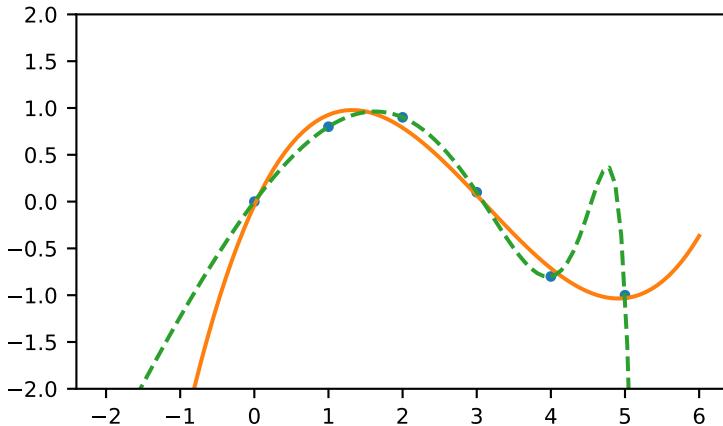
```
>>> with warnings.catch_warnings():
...     warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
...     p30 = np.poly1d(np.polyfit(x, y, 30))
...
>>> p30(4)
-0.800000000000000204 # may vary
>>> p30(5)
-0.9999999999999945 # may vary
>>> p30(4.5)
-0.10547061179440398 # may vary
```

Illustration:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> xp = np.linspace(-2, 6, 100)
>>> _ = plt.plot(x, y, '.', xp, p(xp), '--', xp, p30(xp), '---')
>>> plt.ylim(-2, 2)
(-2, 2)
>>> plt.show()
```

## Clipping and rounding

<code>ma.around</code>	Round an array to the given number of decimals.
<code>ma.clip(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Clip (limit) the values in an array.
<code>ma.round(a[, decimals, out])</code>	Return a copy of a, rounded to 'decimals' places.
<code>ma.MaskedArray.clip([min, max, out])</code>	Return an array whose values are limited to [min, max].
<code>ma.MaskedArray.round([decimals, out])</code>	Return each element rounded to the given number of decimals.



`ma.around = <numpy.ma.core._MaskedUnaryOperation object>`

Round an array to the given number of decimals.

See also:

#### `around`

equivalent function; see for details.

`ma.clip(*args, **kwargs) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Clip (limit) the values in an array.

Given an interval, values outside the interval are clipped to the interval edges. For example, if an interval of [0, 1] is specified, values smaller than 0 become 0, and values larger than 1 become 1.

Equivalent to but faster than `np.minimum(a_max, np.maximum(a, a_min))`.

No check is performed to ensure `a_min < a_max`.

#### Parameters

##### `a`

[array\_like] Array containing elements to clip.

##### `a_min, a_max`

[array\_like or None] Minimum and maximum value. If `None`, clipping is not performed on the corresponding edge. Only one of `a_min` and `a_max` may be `None`. Both are broadcast against `a`.

##### `out`

[ndarray, optional] The results will be placed in this array. It may be the input array for in-place clipping. `out` must be of the right shape to hold the output. Its type is preserved.

##### `**kwargs`

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns****clipped\_array**

[MaskedArray] An array with the elements of  $a$ , but where values  $< a_{\min}$  are replaced with  $a_{\min}$ , and those  $> a_{\max}$  with  $a_{\max}$ .

**See also:**

[ufuncs-output-type](#)

**Notes**

When  $a_{\min}$  is greater than  $a_{\max}$ , `clip` returns an array in which all values are equal to  $a_{\max}$ , as shown in the second example.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.arange(10)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> np.clip(a, 1, 8)
array([1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8])
>>> np.clip(a, 8, 1)
array([1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1])
>>> np.clip(a, 3, 6, out=a)
array([3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 6, 6])
>>> a
array([3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 6, 6])
>>> a = np.arange(10)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> np.clip(a, [3, 4, 1, 1, 4, 4, 4, 4], 8)
array([3, 4, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8])
```

`ma.round(a, decimals=0, out=None)`

Return a copy of  $a$ , rounded to ‘decimals’ places.

When ‘decimals’ is negative, it specifies the number of positions to the left of the decimal point. The real and imaginary parts of complex numbers are rounded separately. Nothing is done if the array is not of float type and ‘decimals’ is greater than or equal to 0.

**Parameters****decimals**

[int] Number of decimals to round to. May be negative.

**out**

[array\_like] Existing array to use for output. If not given, returns a default copy of  $a$ .

## Notes

If out is given and does not have a mask attribute, the mask of a is lost!

## Miscellanea

<code>ma.allequal(a, b[, fill_value])</code>	Return True if all entries of a and b are equal, using fill_value as a truth value where either or both are masked.
<code>ma.allclose(a, b[, masked_equal, rtol, atol])</code>	Returns True if two arrays are element-wise equal within a tolerance.
<code>ma.apply_along_axis(func1d, axis, arr, ...)</code>	Apply a function to 1-D slices along the given axis.
<code>ma.apply_over_axes(func, a, axes)</code>	Apply a function repeatedly over multiple axes.
<code>ma.arange([start,] stop[, step,][, dtype, like])</code>	Return evenly spaced values within a given interval.
<code>ma.choose(indices, choices[, out, mode])</code>	Use an index array to construct a new array from a list of choices.
<code>ma.ediff1d(arr[, to_end, to_begin])</code>	Compute the differences between consecutive elements of an array.
<code>ma.indices(dimensions[, dtype, sparse])</code>	Return an array representing the indices of a grid.
<code>ma.where(condition[, x, y])</code>	Return a masked array with elements from x or y, depending on condition.

### `ma.allequal (a, b, fill_value=True)`

Return True if all entries of a and b are equal, using fill\_value as a truth value where either or both are masked.

#### Parameters

##### **a, b**

[array\_like] Input arrays to compare.

##### **fill\_value**

[bool, optional] Whether masked values in a or b are considered equal (True) or not (False).

#### Returns

##### **y**

[bool] Returns True if the two arrays are equal within the given tolerance, False otherwise. If either array contains NaN, then False is returned.

#### See also:

[`all`, `any`](#)

[`numpy.ma.allclose`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1e10, 1e-7, 42.0], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> a
masked_array(data=[10000000000.0, 1e-07, --],
              mask=[False, False, True],
              fill_value=1e+20)
```

```
>>> b = np.array([1e10, 1e-7, -42.0])
>>> b
array([ 1.0000000e+10,  1.0000000e-07, -4.2000000e+01])
>>> np.ma.allequal(a, b, fill_value=False)
False
>>> np.ma.allequal(a, b)
True
```

`ma.allclose(a, b, masked_equal=True, rtol=1e-05, atol=1e-08)`

Returns True if two arrays are element-wise equal within a tolerance.

This function is equivalent to `allclose` except that masked values are treated as equal (default) or unequal, depending on the `masked_equal` argument.

### Parameters

#### a, b

[array\_like] Input arrays to compare.

#### masked\_equal

[bool, optional] Whether masked values in *a* and *b* are considered equal (True) or not (False). They are considered equal by default.

#### rtol

[float, optional] Relative tolerance. The relative difference is equal to `rtol * b`. Default is 1e-5.

#### atol

[float, optional] Absolute tolerance. The absolute difference is equal to `atol`. Default is 1e-8.

### Returns

#### y

[bool] Returns True if the two arrays are equal within the given tolerance, False otherwise. If either array contains NaN, then False is returned.

### See also:

`all`, `any`

`numpy.allclose`

the non-masked `allclose`.

## Notes

If the following equation is element-wise True, then `allclose` returns True:

```
absolute(`a` - `b`) <= (`atol` + `rtol` * absolute(`b`))
```

Return True if all elements of *a* and *b* are equal subject to given tolerances.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1e10, 1e-7, 42.0], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> a
masked_array(data=[10000000000.0, 1e-07, --],
              mask=[False, False, True],
              fill_value=1e+20)
>>> b = np.ma.array([1e10, 1e-8, -42.0], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> np.ma.allclose(a, b)
False
```

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1e10, 1e-8, 42.0], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> b = np.ma.array([1.00001e10, 1e-9, -42.0], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> np.ma.allclose(a, b)
True
>>> np.ma.allclose(a, b, masked_equal=False)
False
```

Masked values are not compared directly.

```
>>> a = np.ma.array([1e10, 1e-8, 42.0], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> b = np.ma.array([1.00001e10, 1e-9, 42.0], mask=[0, 0, 1])
>>> np.ma.allclose(a, b)
True
>>> np.ma.allclose(a, b, masked_equal=False)
False
```

`ma.apply_along_axis(func1d, axis, arr, *args, **kwargs)`

Apply a function to 1-D slices along the given axis.

Execute `func1d(a, *args, **kwargs)` where `func1d` operates on 1-D arrays and *a* is a 1-D slice of *arr* along *axis*.

This is equivalent to (but faster than) the following use of `ndindex` and `s_`, which sets each of *ii*, *jj*, and *kk* to a tuple of indices:

```
Ni, Nk = a.shape[:axis], a.shape[axis+1:]
for ii in ndindex(Ni):
    for kk in ndindex(Nk):
        f = func1d(arr[ii + s_[:,] + kk])
        Nj = f.shape
        for jj in ndindex(Nj):
            out[ii + jj + kk] = f[jj]
```

Equivalently, eliminating the inner loop, this can be expressed as:

```
Ni, Nk = a.shape[:axis], a.shape[axis+1:]
for ii in ndindex(Ni):
    for kk in ndindex(Nk):
        out[ii + s_[:,] + kk] = func1d(arr[ii + s_[:,] + kk])
```

## Parameters

### `func1d`

[function ( $M,$ ) -> ( $Nj\dots$ )] This function should accept 1-D arrays. It is applied to 1-D slices of  $arr$  along the specified axis.

### `axis`

[integer] Axis along which  $arr$  is sliced.

### `arr`

[ndarray ( $Ni\dots, M, Nk\dots$ )] Input array.

### `args`

[any] Additional arguments to  $func1d$ .

### `kwargs`

[any] Additional named arguments to  $func1d$ .

New in version 1.9.0.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray ( $Ni\dots, Nj\dots, Nk\dots$ )] The output array. The shape of  $out$  is identical to the shape of  $arr$ , except along the  $axis$  dimension. This axis is removed, and replaced with new dimensions equal to the shape of the return value of  $func1d$ . So if  $func1d$  returns a scalar  $out$  will have one fewer dimensions than  $arr$ .

## See also:

### [`apply\_over\_axes`](#)

Apply a function repeatedly over multiple axes.

## Examples

```
>>> def my_func(a):
...     """Average first and last element of a 1-D array"""
...     return (a[0] + a[-1]) * 0.5
>>> b = np.array([[1,2,3], [4,5,6], [7,8,9]])
>>> np.apply_along_axis(my_func, 0, b)
array([4., 5., 6.])
>>> np.apply_along_axis(my_func, 1, b)
array([2., 5., 8.])
```

For a function that returns a 1D array, the number of dimensions in  $outarr$  is the same as  $arr$ .

```
>>> b = np.array([[8,1,7], [4,3,9], [5,2,6]])
>>> np.apply_along_axis(sorted, 1, b)
array([[1, 7, 8],
       [3, 4, 9],
       [2, 5, 6]])
```

For a function that returns a higher dimensional array, those dimensions are inserted in place of the  $axis$  dimension.

```
>>> b = np.array([[1,2,3], [4,5,6], [7,8,9]])
>>> np.apply_along_axis(np.diag, -1, b)
array([[[1, 0, 0],
       [0, 2, 0],
       [0, 0, 3]],
      [[4, 0, 0],
       [0, 5, 0],
       [0, 0, 6]],
      [[7, 0, 0],
       [0, 8, 0],
       [0, 0, 9]]])
```

**ma.apply\_over\_axes(func, a, axes)**

Apply a function repeatedly over multiple axes.

*func* is called as *res* = *func(a, axis)*, where *axis* is the first element of *axes*. The result *res* of the function call must have either the same dimensions as *a* or one less dimension. If *res* has one less dimension than *a*, a dimension is inserted before *axis*. The call to *func* is then repeated for each axis in *axes*, with *res* as the first argument.

**Parameters****func**

[function] This function must take two arguments, *func(a, axis)*.

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axes**

[array\_like] Axes over which *func* is applied; the elements must be integers.

**Returns****apply\_over\_axis**

[ndarray] The output array. The number of dimensions is the same as *a*, but the shape can be different. This depends on whether *func* changes the shape of its output with respect to its input.

**See also:****apply\_along\_axis**

Apply a function to 1-D slices of an array along the given axis.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.ma.arange(24).reshape(2,3,4)
>>> a[:,0,1] = np.ma.masked
>>> a[:,1,:] = np.ma.masked
>>> a
masked_array(
  data=[[0, --, 2, 3],
        [--, --, --, --],
        [8, 9, 10, 11]],
```

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```

[[12, --, 14, 15],
 [--, --, --, --],
 [20, 21, 22, 23]]],
mask=[[ [False, True, False, False],
       [ True, True, True, True],
       [False, False, False, False]],
      [[False, True, False, False],
       [ True, True, True, True],
       [False, False, False, False]],
      fill_value=999999)
>>> np.ma.apply_over_axes(np.ma.sum, a, [0,2])
masked_array(
  data=[[46],
        [--],
        [124]]],
  mask=[[ [False],
          [ True],
          [False]]],
  fill_value=999999)

```

Tuple axis arguments to ufuncs are equivalent:

```

>>> np.ma.sum(a, axis=(0,2)).reshape((1,-1,1))
masked_array(
  data=[[46],
        [--],
        [124]]],
  mask=[[ [False],
          [ True],
          [False]]],
  fill_value=999999)

```

`ma.arange([start], stop[, step], dtype=None, *, like=None) = <numpy.ma.core._convert2ma object>`

Return evenly spaced values within a given interval.

`arange` can be called with a varying number of positional arguments:

- `arange(stop)`: Values are generated within the half-open interval  $[0, \text{stop}]$  (in other words, the interval including `start` but excluding `stop`).
- `arange(start, stop)`: Values are generated within the half-open interval  $[start, \text{stop}]$ .
- `arange(start, stop, step)`: Values are generated within the half-open interval  $[start, \text{stop}]$ , with spacing between values given by `step`.

For integer arguments the function is roughly equivalent to the Python built-in `range`, but returns an ndarray rather than a `range` instance.

When using a non-integer step, such as 0.1, it is often better to use `numpy.linspace`.

See the Warning sections below for more information.

### Parameters

#### `start`

[integer or real, optional] Start of interval. The interval includes this value. The default start value is 0.

**stop**

[integer or real] End of interval. The interval does not include this value, except in some cases where *step* is not an integer and floating point round-off affects the length of *out*.

**step**

[integer or real, optional] Spacing between values. For any output *out*, this is the distance between two adjacent values,  $\text{out}[i+1] - \text{out}[i]$ . The default step size is 1. If *step* is specified as a position argument, *start* must also be given.

**dtype**

[*dtype*, optional] The type of the output array. If *dtype* is not given, infer the data type from the other input arguments.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as *like* supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****arange**

[MaskedArray] Array of evenly spaced values.

For floating point arguments, the length of the result is `ceil((stop - start)/step)`. Because of floating point overflow, this rule may result in the last element of *out* being greater than *stop*.

**Warning:** The length of the output might not be numerically stable.

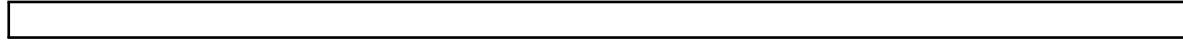
Another stability issue is due to the internal implementation of `numpy.arange`. The actual step value used to populate the array is `dtype(start + step) - dtype(start)` and not *step*. Precision loss can occur here, due to casting or due to using floating points when *start* is much larger than *step*. This can lead to unexpected behaviour. For example:

```
>>> np.arange(0, 5, 0.5, dtype=int)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
>>> np.arange(-3, 3, 0.5, dtype=int)
array([-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8])
```

In such cases, the use of `numpy.linspace` should be preferred.

The built-in `range` generates Python built-in integers that have arbitrary size, while `numpy.arange` produces `numpy.int32` or `numpy.int64` numbers. This may result in incorrect results for large integer values:

```
>>> power = 40
>>> modulo = 10000
>>> x1 = [(n ** power) % modulo for n in range(8)]
>>> x2 = [(n ** power) % modulo for n in np.arange(8)]
>>> print(x1)
[0, 1, 7776, 8801, 6176, 625, 6576, 4001] # correct
>>> print(x2)
[0, 1, 7776, 7185, 0, 5969, 4816, 3361] # incorrect
```



See also:

[numpy.linspace](#)

Evenly spaced numbers with careful handling of endpoints.

[numpy.ogrid](#)

Arrays of evenly spaced numbers in N-dimensions.

[numpy.mgrid](#)

Grid-shaped arrays of evenly spaced numbers in N-dimensions.

## Examples

```
>>> np.arange(3)
array([0, 1, 2])
>>> np.arange(3.0)
array([ 0.,  1.,  2.])
>>> np.arange(3,7)
array([3, 4, 5, 6])
>>> np.arange(3,7,2)
array([3, 5])
```

`ma.choose(indices, choices, out=None, mode='raise')`

Use an index array to construct a new array from a list of choices.

Given an array of integers and a list of n choice arrays, this method will create a new array that merges each of the choice arrays. Where a value in *index* is i, the new array will have the value that *choices[i]* contains in the same place.

### Parameters

#### indices

[ndarray of ints] This array must contain integers in [0, n-1], where n is the number of choices.

#### choices

[sequence of arrays] Choice arrays. The index array and all of the choices should be broadcastable to the same shape.

#### out

[array, optional] If provided, the result will be inserted into this array. It should be of the appropriate shape and *dtype*.

#### mode

[{'raise', 'wrap', 'clip'}, optional] Specifies how out-of-bounds indices will behave.

- 'raise' : raise an error
- 'wrap' : wrap around
- 'clip' : clip to the range

**Returns****merged\_array**

[array]

**See also:**[`choose`](#)

equivalent function

**Examples**

```
>>> choice = np.array([[1,1,1], [2,2,2], [3,3,3]])
>>> a = np.array([2, 1, 0])
>>> np.ma.choose(a, choice)
masked_array(data=[3, 2, 1],
             mask=False,
             fill_value=999999)
```

**ma.ediff1d**(*arr*, *to\_end=None*, *to\_begin=None*)

Compute the differences between consecutive elements of an array.

This function is the equivalent of [`numpy.ediff1d`](#) that takes masked values into account, see [`numpy.ediff1d`](#) for details.**See also:**[`numpy.ediff1d`](#)

Equivalent function for ndarrays.

**ma.indices**(*dimensions*, *dtype=<class 'int'>*, *sparse=False*) = <[`numpy.ma.core.\_convert2ma`](#)  
`object`>

Return an array representing the indices of a grid.

Compute an array where the subarrays contain index values 0, 1, ... varying only along the corresponding axis.

**Parameters****dimensions**

[sequence of ints] The shape of the grid.

**dtype**[*dtype*, optional] Data type of the result.**sparse**[boolean, optional] Return a sparse representation of the grid instead of a dense representation.  
Default is False.

New in version 1.17.

**Returns**

**grid**

[one MaskedArray or tuple of MaskedArrays]

**If sparse is False:**

Returns one array of grid indices, `grid.shape = (len(dimensions),) + tuple(dimensions)`.

**If sparse is True:**

Returns a tuple of arrays, with `grid[i].shape = (1, ..., 1, dimensions[i], 1, ..., 1)` with `dimensions[i]` in the `i`th place

See also:

`mgrid`, `ogrid`, `meshgrid`

**Notes**

The output shape in the dense case is obtained by prepending the number of dimensions in front of the tuple of dimensions, i.e. if `dimensions` is a tuple  $(r_0, \dots, r_{N-1})$  of length  $N$ , the output shape is  $(N, r_0, \dots, r_{N-1})$ .

The subarrays `grid[k]` contains the N-D array of indices along the  $k$ -th axis. Explicitly:

```
grid[k, i0, i1, ..., iN-1] = ik
```

**Examples**

```
>>> grid = np.indices((2, 3))
>>> grid.shape
(2, 2, 3)
>>> grid[0]          # row indices
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [1, 1, 1]])
>>> grid[1]          # column indices
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [0, 1, 2]])
```

The indices can be used as an index into an array.

```
>>> x = np.arange(20).reshape(5, 4)
>>> row, col = np.indices((2, 3))
>>> x[row, col]
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

Note that it would be more straightforward in the above example to extract the required elements directly with `x[:, :3]`.

If `sparse` is set to true, the grid will be returned in a sparse representation.

```
>>> i, j = np.indices((2, 3), sparse=True)
>>> i.shape
(2, 1)
```

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```
>>> j.shape
(1, 3)
>>> i          # row indices
array([[0],
       [1]])
>>> j          # column indices
array([[0, 1, 2]])
```

`ma.where` (*condition*, *x=<no value>*, *y=<no value>*)

Return a masked array with elements from *x* or *y*, depending on condition.

**Note:** When only *condition* is provided, this function is identical to `nonzero`. The rest of this documentation covers only the case where all three arguments are provided.

## Parameters

### `condition`

[array\_like, bool] Where True, yield *x*, otherwise yield *y*.

### `x, y`

[array\_like, optional] Values from which to choose. *x*, *y* and *condition* need to be broadcastable to some shape.

## Returns

### `out`

[MaskedArray] An masked array with `masked` elements where the condition is masked, elements from *x* where *condition* is True, and elements from *y* elsewhere.

## See also:

### `numpy.where`

Equivalent function in the top-level NumPy module.

### `nonzero`

The function that is called when *x* and *y* are omitted

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.ma.array(np.arange(9.).reshape(3, 3), mask=[[0, 1, 0],
...                                         [1, 0, 1],
...                                         [0, 1, 0]])
>>> x
masked_array(
  data=[[0.0, --, 2.0],
        [--, 4.0, --],
        [6.0, --, 8.0]],
  mask=[[False,  True, False],
        [ True, False,  True],
```

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```
[False,  True, False]],  
    fill_value=1e+20)  
>>> np.ma.where(x > 5, x, -3.1416)  
masked_array(  
    data=[[-3.1416, --, -3.1416],  
          [--, -3.1416, --],  
          [6.0, --, 8.0]],  
    mask=[[False,  True, False],  
          [ True, False,  True],  
          [False,  True, False]],  
    fill_value=1e+20)
```

## 1.8 The array interface protocol

**Note:** This page describes the NumPy-specific API for accessing the contents of a NumPy array from other C extensions. [PEP 3118 – The Revised Buffer Protocol](#) introduces similar, standardized API to Python 2.6 and 3.0 for any extension module to use. Cython’s buffer array support uses the [PEP 3118](#) API; see the [Cython NumPy tutorial](#). Cython provides a way to write code that supports the buffer protocol with Python versions older than 2.6 because it has a backward-compatible implementation utilizing the array interface described here.

### version

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The array interface (sometimes called array protocol) was created in 2005 as a means for array-like Python objects to reuse each other’s data buffers intelligently whenever possible. The homogeneous N-dimensional array interface is a default mechanism for objects to share N-dimensional array memory and information. The interface consists of a Python-side and a C-side using two attributes. Objects wishing to be considered an N-dimensional array in application code should support at least one of these attributes. Objects wishing to support an N-dimensional array in application code should look for at least one of these attributes and use the information provided appropriately.

This interface describes homogeneous arrays in the sense that each item of the array has the same “type”. This type can be very simple or it can be a quite arbitrary and complicated C-like structure.

There are two ways to use the interface: A Python side and a C-side. Both are separate attributes.

### 1.8.1 Python side

This approach to the interface consists of the object having an `__array_interface__` attribute.

#### object.`__array_interface__`

A dictionary of items (3 required and 5 optional). The optional keys in the dictionary have implied defaults if they are not provided.

The keys are:

#### shape (required)

Tuple whose elements are the array size in each dimension. Each entry is an integer (a Python `int`). Note that these integers could be larger than the platform `int` or `long` could hold (a Python `int` is a C `long`). It is up to the code using this attribute to handle this appropriately; either by raising an error when overflow is possible, or by using `long long` as the C type for the shapes.

**typestr (required)**

A string providing the basic type of the homogeneous array. The basic string format consists of 3 parts: a character describing the byteorder of the data (<: little-endian, >: big-endian, |: not-relevant), a character code giving the basic type of the array, and an integer providing the number of bytes the type uses.

The basic type character codes are:

t	Bit field (following integer gives the number of bits in the bit field).
b	Boolean (integer type where all values are only True or False)
i	Integer
u	Unsigned integer
f	Floating point
c	Complex floating point
m	Timedelta
M	Datetime
O	Object (i.e. the memory contains a pointer to <code>PyObject</code> )
S	String (fixed-length sequence of char)
U	Unicode (fixed-length sequence of <code>Py_UCS4</code> )
V	Other (void * – each item is a fixed-size chunk of memory)

**descr (optional)**

A list of tuples providing a more detailed description of the memory layout for each item in the homogeneous array. Each tuple in the list has two or three elements. Normally, this attribute would be used when `typestr` is V[0-9]+, but this is not a requirement. The only requirement is that the number of bytes represented in the `typestr` key is the same as the total number of bytes represented here. The idea is to support descriptions of C-like structs that make up array elements. The elements of each tuple in the list are

1. A string providing a name associated with this portion of the datatype. This could also be a tuple of ('full name', 'basic\_name') where basic name would be a valid Python variable name representing the full name of the field.
2. Either a basic-type description string as in `typestr` or another list (for nested structured types)
3. An optional shape tuple providing how many times this part of the structure should be repeated. No repeats are assumed if this is not given. Very complicated structures can be described using this generic interface. Notice, however, that each element of the array is still of the same data-type. Some examples of using this interface are given below.

**Default:** [('', `typestr`)]

**data (optional)**

A 2-tuple whose first argument is an integer (a long integer if necessary) that points to the data-area storing the array contents. This pointer must point to the first element of data (in other words any offset is always ignored in this case). The second entry in the tuple is a read-only flag (true means the data area is read-only).

This attribute can also be an object exposing the `buffer interface` which will be used to share the data. If this key is not present (or returns None), then memory sharing will be done through the buffer interface of the object itself. In this case, the offset key can be used to indicate the start of the buffer. A reference to the object exposing the array interface must be stored by the new object if the memory area is to be secured.

**Default:** None

**strides (optional)**

Either `None` to indicate a C-style contiguous array or a tuple of strides which provides the number of bytes needed to jump to the next array element in the corresponding dimension. Each entry must be an integer (a Python `int`). As with `shape`, the values may be larger than can be represented by a C `int` or `long`; the

calling code should handle this appropriately, either by raising an error, or by using `long long` in C. The default is `None` which implies a C-style contiguous memory buffer. In this model, the last dimension of the array varies the fastest. For example, the default strides tuple for an object whose array entries are 8 bytes long and whose shape is `(10, 20, 30)` would be `(4800, 240, 8)`.

**Default:** `None` (C-style contiguous)

#### mask (optional)

`None` or an object exposing the array interface. All elements of the mask array should be interpreted only as true or not true indicating which elements of this array are valid. The shape of this object should be “broadcastable” to the shape of the original array.

**Default:** `None` (All array values are valid)

#### offset (optional)

An integer offset into the array data region. This can only be used when data is `None` or returns a buffer object.

**Default:** `0`.

#### version (required)

An integer showing the version of the interface (i.e. 3 for this version). Be careful not to use this to invalidate objects exposing future versions of the interface.

## 1.8.2 C-struct access

This approach to the array interface allows for faster access to an array using only one attribute lookup and a well-defined C-structure.

`object.__array_struct__`

A `PyCapsule` whose `pointer` member contains a pointer to a filled `PyArrayInterface` structure. Memory for the structure is dynamically created and the `PyCapsule` is also created with an appropriate destructor so the retriever of this attribute simply has to apply `Py_DECREF` to the object returned by this attribute when it is finished. Also, either the data needs to be copied out, or a reference to the object exposing this attribute must be held to ensure the data is not freed. Objects exposing the `__array_struct__` interface must also not reallocate their memory if other objects are referencing them.

The `PyArrayInterface` structure is defined in `numpy/ndarrayobject.h` as:

```
typedef struct {
    int two;                      /* contains the integer 2 -- simple sanity check */
    int nd;                        /* number of dimensions */
    char typekind;                /* kind in array --- character code of typestr */
    int itemsize;                 /* size of each element */
    int flags;                     /* flags indicating how the data should be interpreted */
                                    /* must set ARR_HAS_DESCR bit to validate descr */
    Py_intptr_t *shape;           /* A length-nd array of shape information */
    Py_intptr_t *strides;         /* A length-nd array of stride information */
    void *data;                   /* A pointer to the first element of the array */
    PyObject *descr;              /* NULL or data-description (same as descr key
                                    of __array_interface__) -- must set ARR_HAS_DESCR
                                    flag or this will be ignored. */
} PyArrayInterface;
```

The `flags` member may consist of 5 bits showing how the data should be interpreted and one bit showing how the Interface should be interpreted. The data-bits are `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS` (0x1), `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS` (0x2), `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED` (0x100), `NPY_ARRAY_NOTSWAPPED` (0x200), and `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE`

(0x400). A final flag `NPY_ARR_HAS_DESCR` (0x800) indicates whether or not this structure has the `arrdescr` field. The field should not be accessed unless this flag is present.

#### `NPY_ARR_HAS_DESCR`

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#### New since June 16, 2006:

In the past most implementations used the `desc` member of the `PyCObject` (now `PyCapsule`) itself (do not confuse this with the “`descr`” member of the `PyArrayInterface` structure above — they are two separate things) to hold the pointer to the object exposing the interface. This is now an explicit part of the interface. Be sure to take a reference to the object and call `PyCapsule_SetContext` before returning the `PyCapsule`, and configure a destructor to decref this reference.

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**Note:** `__array_struct__` is considered legacy and should not be used for new code. Use the `buffer protocol` or the DLPack protocol `numpy.from_dlpack` instead.

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### 1.8.3 Type description examples

For clarity it is useful to provide some examples of the type description and corresponding `__array_interface__` ‘`descr`’ entries. Thanks to Scott Gilbert for these examples:

In every case, the ‘`descr`’ key is optional, but of course provides more information which may be important for various applications:

```
* Float data
    typestr == '>f4'
    descr == [('', '>f4')]

* Complex double
    typestr == '>c8'
    descr == [('real', '>f4'), ('imag', '>f4')]

* RGB Pixel data
    typestr == '|V3'
    descr == [('r', '|u1'), ('g', '|u1'), ('b', '|u1')]

* Mixed endian (weird but could happen).
    typestr == '|V8' (or '>u8')
    descr == [('big', '>i4'), ('little', '<i4')]

* Nested structure
    struct {
        int ival;
        struct {
            unsigned short sval;
            unsigned char bval;
            unsigned char cval;
        } sub;
    }
    typestr == '|V8' (or '<u8' if you want)
    descr == [('ival', '<i4'), ('sub', [('sval', '<u2'), ('bval', '|u1'), ('cval', '|u1')])]
```

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```
* Nested array
  struct {
    int ival;
    double data[16*4];
  }
  typestr == '|V516'
  descr == [('ival', '>i4'), ('data', '>f8', (16, 4))]

* Padded structure
  struct {
    int ival;
    double dval;
  }
  typestr == '|V16'
  descr == [('ival', '>i4'), ('', '|V4'), ('dval', '>f8')]
```

It should be clear that any structured type could be described using this interface.

## 1.8.4 Differences with Array interface (Version 2)

The version 2 interface was very similar. The differences were largely aesthetic. In particular:

1. The `PyArrayInterface` structure had no `descr` member at the end (and therefore no flag `ARR_HAS_DESCR`)
2. The `context` member of the `PyCapsule` (formally the `desc` member of the `PyCObject`) returned from `__array_struct__` was not specified. Usually, it was the object exposing the array (so that a reference to it could be kept and destroyed when the C-object was destroyed). It is now an explicit requirement that this field be used in some way to hold a reference to the owning object.

**Note:** Until August 2020, this said:

Now it must be a tuple whose first element is a string with “PyArrayInterface Version #” and whose second element is the object exposing the array.

This design was retracted almost immediately after it was proposed, in <<https://mail.python.org/pipermail/numpy-discussion/2006-June/020995.html>>. Despite 14 years of documentation to the contrary, at no point was it valid to assume that `__array_interface__` capsules held this tuple content.

3. The tuple returned from `__array_interface__['data']` used to be a hex-string (now it is an integer or a long integer).
4. There was no `__array_interface__` attribute instead all of the keys (except for `version`) in the `__array_interface__` dictionary were their own attribute: Thus to obtain the Python-side information you had to access separately the attributes:

- `__array_data__`
- `__array_shape__`
- `__array_strides__`
- `__array_typestr__`
- `__array_descr__`
- `__array_offset__`
- `__array_mask__`

## 1.9 Datetimes and Timedeltas

New in version 1.7.0.

Starting in NumPy 1.7, there are core array data types which natively support datetime functionality. The data type is called `datetime64`, so named because `datetime` is already taken by the Python standard library.

### 1.9.1 Datetime64 Conventions and Assumptions

Similar to the Python `date` class, dates are expressed in the current Gregorian Calendar, indefinitely extended both in the future and in the past.<sup>1</sup> Contrary to Python `date`, which supports only years in the 1 AD — 9999 AD range, `datetime64` allows also for dates BC; years BC follow the [Astronomical year numbering](#) convention, i.e. year 2 BC is numbered -1, year 1 BC is numbered 0, year 1 AD is numbered 1.

Time instants, say 16:23:32.234, are represented counting hours, minutes, seconds and fractions from midnight: i.e. 00:00:00.000 is midnight, 12:00:00.000 is noon, etc. Each calendar day has exactly 86400 seconds. This is a “naive” time, with no explicit notion of timezones or specific time scales (UT1, UTC, TAI, etc.).<sup>2</sup>

### 1.9.2 Basic Datetimes

The most basic way to create datetimes is from strings in ISO 8601 date or datetime format. It is also possible to create datetimes from an integer by offset relative to the Unix epoch (00:00:00 UTC on 1 January 1970). The unit for internal storage is automatically selected from the form of the string, and can be either a *date unit* or a *time unit*. The date units are years ('Y'), months ('M'), weeks ('W'), and days ('D'), while the time units are hours ('h'), minutes ('m'), seconds ('s'), milliseconds ('ms'), and some additional SI-prefix seconds-based units. The `datetime64` data type also accepts the string “NAT”, in any combination of lowercase/uppercase letters, for a “Not A Time” value.

#### Example

A simple ISO date:

```
>>> np.datetime64('2005-02-25')
numpy.datetime64('2005-02-25')
```

From an integer and a date unit, 1 year since the UNIX epoch:

```
>>> np.datetime64(1, 'Y')
numpy.datetime64('1971')
```

Using months for the unit:

```
>>> np.datetime64('2005-02')
numpy.datetime64('2005-02')
```

Specifying just the month, but forcing a ‘days’ unit:

```
>>> np.datetime64('2005-02', 'D')
numpy.datetime64('2005-02-01')
```

<sup>1</sup> The calendar obtained by extending the Gregorian calendar before its official adoption on Oct. 15, 1582 is called [Proleptic Gregorian Calendar](#)

<sup>2</sup> The assumption of 86400 seconds per calendar day is not valid for UTC, the present day civil time scale. In fact due to the presence of leap seconds on rare occasions a day may be 86401 or 86399 seconds long. On the contrary the 86400s day assumption holds for the TAI timescale. An explicit support for TAI and TAI to UTC conversion, accounting for leap seconds, is proposed but not yet implemented. See also the [shortcomings](#) section below.

From a date and time:

```
>>> np.datetime64('2005-02-25T03:30')
numpy.datetime64('2005-02-25T03:30')
```

NAT (not a time):

```
>>> np.datetime64('nat')
numpy.datetime64('NaT')
```

---

When creating an array of datetimes from a string, it is still possible to automatically select the unit from the inputs, by using the datetime type with generic units.

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### Example

```
>>> np.array(['2007-07-13', '2006-01-13', '2010-08-13'], dtype='datetime64')
array(['2007-07-13', '2006-01-13', '2010-08-13'], dtype='datetime64[D]')
```

```
>>> np.array(['2001-01-01T12:00', '2002-02-03T13:56:03.172'], dtype='datetime64')
array(['2001-01-01T12:00:00.000', '2002-02-03T13:56:03.172'],
      dtype='datetime64[ms]')
```

---

An array of datetimes can be constructed from integers representing POSIX timestamps with the given unit.

---

### Example

```
>>> np.array([0, 1577836800], dtype='datetime64[s]')
array(['1970-01-01T00:00:00', '2020-01-01T00:00:00'],
      dtype='datetime64[s]')
```

```
>>> np.array([0, 1577836800000]).astype('datetime64[ms]')
array(['1970-01-01T00:00:00.000', '2020-01-01T00:00:00.000'],
      dtype='datetime64[ms]')
```

---

The datetime type works with many common NumPy functions, for example `arange` can be used to generate ranges of dates.

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### Example

All the dates for one month:

```
>>> np.arange('2005-02', '2005-03', dtype='datetime64[D]')
array(['2005-02-01', '2005-02-02', '2005-02-03', '2005-02-04',
       '2005-02-05', '2005-02-06', '2005-02-07', '2005-02-08',
       '2005-02-09', '2005-02-10', '2005-02-11', '2005-02-12',
       '2005-02-13', '2005-02-14', '2005-02-15', '2005-02-16',
       '2005-02-17', '2005-02-18', '2005-02-19', '2005-02-20',
       '2005-02-21', '2005-02-22', '2005-02-23', '2005-02-24',
       '2005-02-25', '2005-02-26', '2005-02-27', '2005-02-28'],
      dtype='datetime64[D]')
```

The datetime object represents a single moment in time. If two datetimes have different units, they may still be representing the same moment of time, and converting from a bigger unit like months to a smaller unit like days is considered a ‘safe’ cast because the moment of time is still being represented exactly.

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### Example

```
>>> np.datetime64('2005') == np.datetime64('2005-01-01')
True
```

```
>>> np.datetime64('2010-03-14T15') == np.datetime64('2010-03-14T15:00:00.00')
True
```

---

Deprecated since version 1.11.0: NumPy does not store timezone information. For backwards compatibility, `datetime64` still parses timezone offsets, which it handles by converting to UTC±00:00 (Zulu time). This behaviour is deprecated and will raise an error in the future.

### 1.9.3 Datetime and Timedelta Arithmetic

NumPy allows the subtraction of two datetime values, an operation which produces a number with a time unit. Because NumPy doesn’t have a physical quantities system in its core, the `timedelta64` data type was created to complement `datetime64`. The arguments for `timedelta64` are a number, to represent the number of units, and a date/time unit, such as (D)ay, (M)onth, (Y)ear, (h)ours, (m)inutes, or (s)econds. The `timedelta64` data type also accepts the string “NAT” in place of the number for a “Not A Time” value.

---

### Example

```
>>> np.timedelta64(1, 'D')
numpy.timedelta64(1, 'D')
```

```
>>> np.timedelta64(4, 'h')
numpy.timedelta64(4, 'h')
```

```
>>> np.timedelta64('nAt')
numpy.timedelta64('NaT')
```

---

Datetimes and Timedeltas work together to provide ways for simple datetime calculations.

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### Example

```
>>> np.datetime64('2009-01-01') - np.datetime64('2008-01-01')
numpy.timedelta64(366, 'D')
```

```
>>> np.datetime64('2009') + np.timedelta64(20, 'D')
numpy.datetime64('2009-01-21')
```

```
>>> np.datetime64('2011-06-15T00:00') + np.timedelta64(12, 'h')
numpy.datetime64('2011-06-15T12:00')
```

---

```
>>> np.timedelta64(1, 'W') / np.timedelta64(1, 'D')
7.0
```

```
>>> np.timedelta64(1, 'W') % np.timedelta64(10, 'D')
numpy.timedelta64(7, 'D')
```

```
>>> np.datetime64('nat') - np.datetime64('2009-01-01')
numpy.timedelta64('NaT', 'D')
```

```
>>> np.datetime64('2009-01-01') + np.timedelta64('nat')
numpy.datetime64('NaT')
```

There are two Timedelta units ('Y', years and 'M', months) which are treated specially, because how much time they represent changes depending on when they are used. While a timedelta day unit is equivalent to 24 hours, there is no way to convert a month unit into days, because different months have different numbers of days.

### Example

```
>>> a = np.timedelta64(1, 'Y')
```

```
>>> np.timedelta64(a, 'M')
numpy.timedelta64(12, 'M')
```

```
>>> np.timedelta64(a, 'D')
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
TypeError: Cannot cast NumPy timedelta64 scalar from metadata [Y] to [D] according to
↪the rule 'same_kind'
```

## 1.9.4 Datetime Units

The Datetime and Timedelta data types support a large number of time units, as well as generic units which can be coerced into any of the other units based on input data.

Datetimes are always stored with an epoch of 1970-01-01T00:00. This means the supported dates are always a symmetric interval around the epoch, called “time span” in the table below.

The length of the span is the range of a 64-bit integer times the length of the date or unit. For example, the time span for 'W' (week) is exactly 7 times longer than the time span for 'D' (day), and the time span for 'D' (day) is exactly 24 times longer than the time span for 'h' (hour).

Here are the date units:

Code	Meaning	Time span (relative)	Time span (absolute)
Y	year	+/- 9.2e18 years	[9.2e18 BC, 9.2e18 AD]
M	month	+/- 7.6e17 years	[7.6e17 BC, 7.6e17 AD]
W	week	+/- 1.7e17 years	[1.7e17 BC, 1.7e17 AD]
D	day	+/- 2.5e16 years	[2.5e16 BC, 2.5e16 AD]

And here are the time units:

Code	Meaning	Time span (relative)	Time span (absolute)
h	hour	+/- 1.0e15 years	[1.0e15 BC, 1.0e15 AD]
m	minute	+/- 1.7e13 years	[1.7e13 BC, 1.7e13 AD]
s	second	+/- 2.9e11 years	[2.9e11 BC, 2.9e11 AD]
ms	millisecond	+/- 2.9e8 years	[ 2.9e8 BC, 2.9e8 AD]
us / $\mu$ s	microsecond	+/- 2.9e5 years	[290301 BC, 294241 AD]
ns	nanosecond	+/- 292 years	[ 1678 AD, 2262 AD]
ps	picosecond	+/- 106 days	[ 1969 AD, 1970 AD]
fs	femtosecond	+/- 2.6 hours	[ 1969 AD, 1970 AD]
as	attosecond	+/- 9.2 seconds	[ 1969 AD, 1970 AD]

## 1.9.5 Business Day Functionality

To allow the datetime to be used in contexts where only certain days of the week are valid, NumPy includes a set of “busday” (business day) functions.

The default for busday functions is that the only valid days are Monday through Friday (the usual business days). The implementation is based on a “weekmask” containing 7 Boolean flags to indicate valid days; custom weekmasks are possible that specify other sets of valid days.

The “busday” functions can additionally check a list of “holiday” dates, specific dates that are not valid days.

The function `busday_offset` allows you to apply offsets specified in business days to datetimes with a unit of ‘D’ (day).

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### Example

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-06-23', 1)
numpy.datetime64('2011-06-24')
```

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-06-23', 2)
numpy.datetime64('2011-06-27')
```

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When an input date falls on the weekend or a holiday, `busday_offset` first applies a rule to roll the date to a valid business day, then applies the offset. The default rule is ‘raise’, which simply raises an exception. The rules most typically used are ‘forward’ and ‘backward’.

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### Example

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-06-25', 2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: Non-business day date in busday_offset
```

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-06-25', 0, roll='forward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-06-27')
```

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-06-25', 2, roll='forward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-06-29')
```

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```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-06-25', 0, roll='backward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-06-24')
```

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-06-25', 2, roll='backward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-06-28')
```

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In some cases, an appropriate use of the roll and the offset is necessary to get a desired answer.

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### Example

The first business day on or after a date:

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-03-20', 0, roll='forward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-03-21')
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-03-22', 0, roll='forward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-03-22')
```

The first business day strictly after a date:

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-03-20', 1, roll='backward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-03-21')
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-03-22', 1, roll='backward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-03-23')
```

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The function is also useful for computing some kinds of days like holidays. In Canada and the U.S., Mother's day is on the second Sunday in May, which can be computed with a custom weekmask.

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### Example

```
>>> np.busday_offset('2012-05', 1, roll='forward', weekmask='Sun')
numpy.datetime64('2012-05-13')
```

---

When performance is important for manipulating many business dates with one particular choice of weekmask and holidays, there is an object `busdaycalendar` which stores the data necessary in an optimized form.

## np.is\_busday():

To test a `datetime64` value to see if it is a valid day, use `is_busday`.

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### Example

```
>>> np.is_busday(np.datetime64('2011-07-15')) # a Friday
True
>>> np.is_busday(np.datetime64('2011-07-16')) # a Saturday
False
>>> np.is_busday(np.datetime64('2011-07-16'), weekmask="Sat Sun")
True
>>> a = np.arange(np.datetime64('2011-07-11'), np.datetime64('2011-07-18'))
>>> np.is_busday(a)
array([ True,  True,  True,  True,  True, False, False])
```

**np.busday\_count():**

To find how many valid days there are in a specified range of datetime64 dates, use `busday_count`:

**Example**

```
>>> np.busday_count(np.datetime64('2011-07-11'), np.datetime64('2011-07-18'))
5
>>> np.busday_count(np.datetime64('2011-07-18'), np.datetime64('2011-07-11'))
-5
```

If you have an array of datetime64 day values, and you want a count of how many of them are valid dates, you can do this:

**Example**

```
>>> a = np.arange(np.datetime64('2011-07-11'), np.datetime64('2011-07-18'))
>>> np.count_nonzero(np.is_busday(a))
5
```

**Custom Weekmasks**

Here are several examples of custom weekmask values. These examples specify the “busday” default of Monday through Friday being valid days.

Some examples:

```
# Positional sequences; positions are Monday through Sunday.
# Length of the sequence must be exactly 7.
weekmask = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0]
# list or other sequence; 0 == invalid day, 1 == valid day
weekmask = "1111100"
# string '0' == invalid day, '1' == valid day

# string abbreviations from this list: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun
weekmask = "Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri"
# any amount of whitespace is allowed; abbreviations are case-sensitive.
weekmask = "MonTue Wed Thu\tFri"
```

**1.9.6 Datetime64 shortcomings**

The assumption that all days are exactly 86400 seconds long makes `datetime64` largely compatible with Python `datetime` and “POSIX time” semantics; therefore they all share the same well known shortcomings with respect to the UTC timescale and historical time determination. A brief non exhaustive summary is given below.

- It is impossible to parse valid UTC timestamps occurring during a positive leap second.

**Example**

“2016-12-31 23:59:60 UTC” was a leap second, therefore “2016-12-31 23:59:60.450 UTC” is a valid timestamp which is not parseable by `datetime64`:

```
>>> np.datetime64("2016-12-31 23:59:60.450")
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: Seconds out of range in datetime string "2016-12-31 23:59:60.450"
```

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- Timedelta64 computations between two UTC dates can be wrong by an integer number of SI seconds.

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### Example

Compute the number of SI seconds between “2021-01-01 12:56:23.423 UTC” and “2001-01-01 00:00:00.000 UTC”:

```
>>> (
...     np.datetime64("2021-01-01 12:56:23.423")
...     - np.datetime64("2001-01-01")
... ) / np.timedelta64(1, "s")
631198583.423
```

however correct answer is *631198588.423* SI seconds because there were 5 leap seconds between 2001 and 2021.

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- Timedelta64 computations for dates in the past do not return SI seconds, as one would expect.

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### Example

Compute the number of seconds between “000-01-01 UT” and “1600-01-01 UT”, where UT is universal time:

```
>>> a = np.datetime64("0000-01-01", "us")
>>> b = np.datetime64("1600-01-01", "us")
>>> b - a
numpy.timedelta64(50491123200000000, 'us')
```

The computed results, *50491123200* seconds, is obtained as the elapsed number of days (584388) times 86400 seconds; this is the number of seconds of a clock in sync with earth rotation. The exact value in SI seconds can only be estimated, e.g using data published in [Measurement of the Earth’s rotation: 720 BC to AD 2015, 2016, Royal Society’s Proceedings A 472](#), by Stephenson et.al.. A sensible estimate is *5049112870 ± 90* seconds, with a difference of 10330 seconds.

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## ARRAY API STANDARD COMPATIBILITY

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**Note:** The `numpy.array_api` module is still experimental. See [NEP 47](#).

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NumPy includes a reference implementation of the [array API standard](#) in `numpy.array_api`. [NEP 47](#) describes the motivation and scope for implementing the array API standard in NumPy.

The `numpy.array_api` module serves as a minimal, reference implementation of the array API standard. In being minimal, the module only implements those things that are explicitly required by the specification. Certain things are allowed by the specification but are explicitly disallowed in `numpy.array_api`. This is so that the module can serve as a reference implementation for users of the array API standard. Any consumer of the array API can test their code against `numpy.array_api` and be sure that they aren't using any features that aren't guaranteed by the spec, and which may not be present in other conforming libraries.

The `numpy.array_api` module is not documented here. For a listing of the functions present in the array API specification, refer to the [array API standard](#). The `numpy.array_api` implementation is functionally complete, so all functionality described in the standard is implemented.

### 2.1 Table of Differences between `numpy.array_api` and `numpy`

This table outlines the primary differences between `numpy.array_api` from the main `numpy` namespace. There are three types of differences:

1. **Strictness.** Things that are only done so that `numpy.array_api` is a strict, minimal implementation. They aren't actually required by the spec, and other conforming libraries may not follow them. In most cases, spec does not specify or require any behavior outside of the given domain. The main `numpy` namespace would not need to change in any way to be spec-compatible for these.
2. **Compatible.** Things that could be added to the main `numpy` namespace without breaking backwards compatibility.
3. **Breaking.** Things that would break backwards compatibility if implemented in the main `numpy` namespace.

## 2.1.1 Name Differences

Many functions have been renamed in the spec from NumPy. These are otherwise identical in behavior, and are thus all **compatible** changes, unless otherwise noted.

### Function Name Changes

The following functions are named differently in the array API

Array API name	NumPy namespace name	Notes
acos	arccos	
acosh	arccosh	
asin	arcsin	
asinh	arcsinh	
atan	arctan	
atan2	arctan2	
atanh	arctanh	
bitwise_left_shift	left_shift	
bitwise_invert	invert	
bitwise_right_shift	right_shift	
bool	bool_	This is <b>breaking</b> because <code>np.bool</code> is currently a deprecated alias for the built-in <code>bool</code> .
concat	concatenate	
matrix_norm and vector_norm	norm	<code>matrix_norm</code> and <code>vector_norm</code> each do a limited subset of what <code>np.norm</code> does.
permute_dims	transpose	Unlike <code>np.transpose</code> , the <code>axis</code> keyword-argument to <code>permute_dims</code> is required.
pow	power	
unique_all, unique_counts, unique_inverse, and unique_values	unique	Each is equivalent to <code>np.unique</code> with certain flags set.

### Function instead of method

- `astype` is a function in the array API, whereas it is a method on `ndarray` in NumPy.

### linalg Namespace Differences

These functions are in the `linalg` sub-namespace in the array API, but are only in the top-level namespace in NumPy:

- `cross`
- `diagonal`
- `matmul (*)`
- `outer`
- `tensordot (*)`
- `trace`

(\*): These functions are also in the top-level namespace in the array API.

## Keyword Argument Renames

The following functions have keyword arguments that have been renamed. The functionality of the keyword argument is identical unless otherwise stated. Each new keyword argument is not already present on the given function in numpy, so the changes are **compatible**.

Note, this page does not list function keyword arguments that are in the main numpy namespace but not in the array API. Such keyword arguments are omitted from `numpy.array_api` for **strictness**, as the spec allows functions to include additional keyword arguments from those required.

Function	Array API keyword name	NumPy keyword name	Notes
<code>argsort</code> and <code>sort</code>	<code>stable</code>	<code>kind</code>	The definitions of <code>stable</code> and <code>kind</code> differ, as do the default values. The change of the default value makes this <b>breaking</b> . See <a href="#">Set Functions Differences</a> .
<code>matrix_rank</code>	<code>rank</code>	<code>tol</code>	The definitions of <code>rtol</code> and <code>tol</code> differ, as do the default values. The change of the default value makes this <b>breaking</b> . See <a href="#">Linear Algebra Differences</a> .
<code>pinv</code>	<code>rtol</code>	<code>rcond</code>	The definitions of <code>rtol</code> and <code>rcond</code> are the same, but their default values differ, making this <b>breaking</b> . See <a href="#">Linear Algebra Differences</a> .
<code>std</code> and <code>var</code>	<code>correction</code>	<code>ddof</code>	

### 2.1.2 Type Promotion Differences

Type promotion is the biggest area where NumPy deviates from the spec. The most notable difference is that NumPy does value-based casting in many cases. The spec explicitly disallows value-based casting. In the array API, the result type of any operation is always determined entirely by the input types, independently of values or shapes.

Feature	Type	Notes
Limited set of dtypes.	<b>Strictness</b>	- <code>numpy.array_api</code> only implements those <code>dtypes</code> that are required by the spec.
Operators (like <code>+</code> ) with Python scalars only accept matching scalar types.	<b>Strictness</b>	- For example, <code>&lt;int32 array&gt; + 1.0</code> is not allowed. See the spec rules for mixing arrays and Python scalars.
Operators (like <code>+</code> ) with Python scalars always return the same dtype as the array.	<b>Breaking</b>	- For example, <code>numpy.array_api.asarray(0., dtype=float32) + 1e64</code> is a <code>float32</code> array.
In-place operators are disallowed when the left-hand side would be promoted.	<b>Breaking</b>	- Example: <code>a = np.array(1, dtype=np.int8); a += np.array(1, dtype=np.int16)</code> . The spec explicitly disallows this.
<code>int</code> promotion for operators is only specified for integers within the bounds of the <code>dtype</code> .	<b>Strictness</b>	- <code>numpy.array_api</code> fallbacks to <code>np.ndarray</code> behavior (either cast or raise <code>OverflowError</code> ).
<code>__pow__</code> and <code>__rpow__</code> do not do value-based casting for 0-D arrays.	<b>Breaking</b>	- For example, <code>np.array(0., dtype=float32)**np.array(0., dtype=float64)</code> is <code>float32</code> . Note that this is value-based casting on 0-D arrays, not scalars.
No cross-kind casting.	<b>Strictness</b>	- Namely, boolean, integer, and floating-point data types do not cast to each other, except explicitly with <code>astype</code> (this is separate from the behavior with Python scalars).
No casting unsigned integer dtypes to floating dtypes (e.g., <code>int64 + uint64 -&gt; float64</code> ).	<b>Strictness</b>	
<code>can_cast</code> and <code>result_type</code> are restricted.	<b>Strictness</b>	- The <code>numpy.array_api</code> implementations disallow cross-kind casting.
<code>sum</code> and <code>prod</code> always upcast <code>float32</code> to <code>float64</code> when <code>dtype=None</code> .	<b>Breaking</b>	

### 2.1.3 Indexing Differences

The spec requires only a subset of indexing, but all indexing rules in the spec are compatible with NumPy's more broad indexing rules.

Feature	Type	Notes
No implicit ellipses ( <code>...</code> ).	<b>Strictness</b>	If an index does not include an ellipsis, all axes must be indexed.
The start and stop of a slice may not be out of bounds.	<b>Strictness</b>	For a slice <code>i:j:k</code> , only the following are allowed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>i</code> or <code>j</code> omitted (<code>None</code>).</li> <li>• <math>-n \leq i \leq \max(0, n - 1)</math>.</li> <li>• For <math>k &gt; 0</math> or <math>k</math> omitted (<code>None</code>), <math>-n \leq j \leq n</math>.</li> <li>• For <math>k &lt; 0</math>, <math>-n - 1 \leq j \leq \max(0, n - 1)</math>.</li> </ul>
Boolean array indices are only allowed as the sole index.	<b>Strictness</b>	
Integer array indices are not allowed at all.	<b>Strictness</b>	With the exception of 0-D arrays, which are treated like integers.

## 2.1.4 Type Strictness

Functions in `numpy.array_api` restrict their inputs to only those dtypes that are explicitly required by the spec, even when the wrapped corresponding NumPy function would allow a broader set. Here, we list each function and the dtypes that are allowed in `numpy.array_api`. These are **strictness** differences because the spec does not require that other dtypes result in an error. The categories here are defined as follows:

- **Floating-point**: `float32` or `float64`.
- **Integer**: Any signed or unsigned integer dtype (`int8`, `int16`, `int32`, `int64`, `uint8`, `uint16`, `uint32`, or `uint64`).
- **Boolean**: `bool`.
- **Integer or boolean**: Any signed or unsigned integer dtype, or `bool`. For two-argument functions, both arguments must be integer or both must be `bool`.
- **Numeric**: Any integer or floating-point dtype. For two-argument functions, both arguments must be integer or both must be floating-point.
- **All**: Any of the above dtype categories. For two-argument functions, both arguments must be the same kind (integer, floating-point, or boolean).

In all cases, the return dtype is chosen according to [the rules outlined in the spec](#), and does not differ from NumPy's return dtype for any of the allowed input dtypes, except in the cases mentioned specifically in the subsections below.

### Elementwise Functions

Function Name	Dtypes
<code>abs</code>	Numeric
<code>acos</code>	Floating-point
<code>acosh</code>	Floating-point
<code>add</code>	Numeric
<code>asin (*)</code>	Floating-point
<code>asinh (*)</code>	Floating-point
<code>atan (*)</code>	Floating-point
<code>atan2 (*)</code>	Floating-point
<code>atanh (*)</code>	Floating-point
<code>bitwise_and</code>	Integer or boolean
<code>bitwise_invert</code>	Integer or boolean
<code>bitwise_left_shift (*)</code>	Integer
<code>bitwise_or</code>	Integer or boolean
<code>bitwise_right_shift (*)</code>	Integer
<code>bitwise_xor</code>	Integer or boolean
<code>ceil</code>	Numeric
<code>cos</code>	Floating-point
<code>cosh</code>	Floating-point
<code>divide</code>	Floating-point
<code>equal</code>	All
<code>exp</code>	Floating-point
<code>expm1</code>	Floating-point
<code>floor</code>	Numeric
<code>floor_divide</code>	Numeric
<code>greater</code>	Numeric

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Function Name	Dtypes
greater_equal	Numeric
isfinite	Numeric
isinf	Numeric
isnan	Numeric
less	Numeric
less_equal	Numeric
log	Floating-point
logaddexp	Floating-point
log10	Floating-point
log1p	Floating-point
log2	Floating-point
logical_and	Boolean
logical_not	Boolean
logical_or	Boolean
logical_xor	Boolean
multiply	Numeric
negative	Numeric
not_equal	All
positive	Numeric
pow (*)	Numeric
remainder	Numeric
round	Numeric
sign	Numeric
sin	Floating-point
sinh	Floating-point
sqrt	Floating-point
square	Numeric
subtract	Numeric
tan	Floating-point
tanh	Floating-point
trunc	Numeric

(\*) These functions have different names from the main numpy namespace. See [Function Name Changes](#).

## Creation Functions

Function Name	Dtypes
meshgrid	Any (all input dtypes must be the same)

## Linear Algebra Functions

Function Name	Dtypes
cholesky	Floating-point
cross	Numeric
det	Floating-point
diagonal	Any
eigh	Floating-point
eighvals	Floating-point
inv	Floating-point
matmul	Numeric
matrix_norm (*)	Floating-point
matrix_power	Floating-point
matrix_rank	Floating-point
matrix_transpose (**)	Any
outer	Numeric
pinv	Floating-point
qr	Floating-point
slogdet	Floating-point
solve	Floating-point
svd	Floating-point
svdvals (**)	Floating-point
tensordot	Numeric
trace	Numeric
vecdot (**)	Numeric
vector_norm (*)	Floating-point

(\*) These functions are split from `norm` from the main `numpy` namespace. See [Function Name Changes](#).

(\*\*) These functions are new in the array API and are not in the main `numpy` namespace.

## Array Object

All the special `__operator__` methods on the array object behave identically to their corresponding functions (see [the spec](#) for a list of which methods correspond to which functions). The exception is that operators explicitly allow Python scalars according to the [rules outlined in the spec](#) (see [Type Promotion Differences](#)).

## 2.1.5 Array Object Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
No array scalars	<b>Strictness</b>	The spec does not have array scalars, only 0-D arrays. However, other than the promotion differences outlined in <a href="#">Type Promotion Differences</a> , scalars duck type as 0-D arrays for the purposes of the spec. They are immutable, but the spec <a href="#">does not require mutability</a> .
<code>bool()</code> , <code>int()</code> , and <code>float()</code> only work on 0-D arrays.	<b>Strictness</b>	See <a href="https://github.com/numpy/numpy/issues/10404">https://github.com/numpy/numpy/issues/10404</a> .
<code>__imatmul__</code>	<b>Com-pat-ible</b>	<code>np.ndarray</code> does not currently implement <code>__imatmul__</code> . Note that <code>a @= b</code> should only be defined when it does not change the shape of <code>a</code> .
The <code>mT</code> attribute for matrix transpose.	<b>Com-pat-ible</b>	See the spec definition for <code>mT</code> .
The <code>T</code> attribute should error if the input is not 2-dimensional.	<b>Break-ing</b>	See the note in the spec.
New method <code>to_device</code> and attribute <code>device</code>	<b>Com-pat-ible</b>	The methods would effectively not do anything since NumPy is CPU only

## 2.1.6 Creation Functions Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
<code>copy</code> keyword argument to <code>asarray</code>	<b>Com-pat-ible</b>	
New <code>device</code> keyword argument to all array creation functions ( <code>asarray</code> , <code>arange</code> , <code>empty</code> , <code>empty_like</code> , <code>eye</code> , <code>full</code> , <code>full_like</code> , <code>linspace</code> , <code>ones</code> , <code>ones_like</code> , <code>zeros</code> , and <code>zeros_like</code> ).	<b>Com-pat-ible</b>	<code>device</code> would effectively do nothing, since NumPy is CPU only.

## 2.1.7 Elementwise Functions Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
Various functions have been renamed.	<b>Com-pati-ble</b>	See <a href="#">Function Name Changes</a> .
Elementwise functions are only defined for given input type combinations.	<b>Strict-ness</b>	See <a href="#">Type Strictness</a> .
<code>bitwise_left_shift</code> and <code>bitwise_right_shift</code> are only defined for <code>x2</code> nonnegative.	<b>Strict-ness</b>	
<code>ceil</code> , <code>floor</code> , and <code>trunc</code> return an integer with integer input.	<b>Break-ing</b>	<code>np.ceil</code> , <code>np.floor</code> , and <code>np.trunc</code> return a floating-point dtype on integer dtype input.



## 2.1.8 Linear Algebra Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
cholesky includes an upper keyword argument.	Com-pat-i-ble	
cross does not allow size 2 vectors (only size 3).	Break-ing	
diagonal operates on the last two axes.	Break-ing	Strictly speaking this can be <b>compatible</b> because <code>diagonal</code> is moved to the <code>linalg</code> namespace.
eigh, qr, slogdet and svd return a named tuple.	Com-pat-i-ble	The corresponding numpy functions return a tuple, with the resulting arrays in the same order.
New functions <code>matrix_norm</code> and <code>vector_norm</code> .	Com-pat-i-ble	The <code>norm</code> function has been omitted from the array API and split into <code>matrix_norm</code> for matrix norms and <code>vector_norm</code> for vector norms. Note that <code>vector_norm</code> supports any number of axes, whereas <code>np.linalg.norm</code> only supports a single axis for vector norms.
<code>matrix_rank</code> has an <code>rtol</code> keyword argument instead of <code>tol</code> .	Break-ing	In the array API, <code>rtol</code> filters singular values smaller than <code>rtol * largest_singular_value</code> . In <code>np.linalg.matrix_rank</code> , <code>tol</code> filters singular values smaller than <code>tol</code> . Furthermore, the default value for <code>rtol</code> is <code>max(M, N) * eps</code> , whereas the default value of <code>tol</code> in <code>np.linalg.matrix_rank</code> is <code>S.max() * max(M, N) * eps</code> , where <code>S</code> is the singular values of the input. The new flag name is compatible but the default change is breaking.
<code>matrix_rank</code> does not support 1-dimensional arrays.	Break-ing	
New function <code>matrix_transpose</code> .	Com-pat-i-ble	Unlike <code>np.transpose</code> , <code>matrix_transpose</code> only transposes the last two axes. See <a href="#">the transpose spec definition</a>
<code>outer</code> only supports 1-dimensional arrays.	Break-ing	The spec currently only specifies behavior on 1-D arrays but future behavior will likely be to broadcast, rather than flatten, which is what <code>np.outer</code> does.
<code>pinv</code> has an <code>rtol</code> keyword argument instead of <code>rcond</code> .	Break-ing	The meaning of <code>rtol</code> and <code>rcond</code> is the same, but the default value for <code>rtol</code> is <code>max(M, N) * eps</code> , whereas the default value for <code>rcond</code> is <code>1e-15</code> . The new flag name is compatible but the default change is breaking.
<code>solve</code> only accepts <code>x2</code> as a vector when it is exactly 1-dimensional.	Break-ing	The <code>np.linalg.solve</code> behavior is ambiguous. See <a href="#">this numpy issue</a> and <a href="#">this array API specification issue</a> for more details.
508 New function <code>svdvals</code> .	Com-pat-	<b>2. Array API Standard Compatibility</b>
		Equivalent to <code>np.linalg.svd(compute_uv=False)</code> .

## 2.1.9 Manipulation Functions Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
Various functions have been renamed	<b>Com- patible</b>	See <a href="#">Function Name Changes</a> .
concat has different default casting rules from np.concatenate	<b>Strict- ness</b>	No cross-kind casting. No value-based casting on scalars (when axis=None).
stack has different default casting rules from np.stack	<b>Strict- ness</b>	No cross-kind casting.
New function permute_dims.	<b>Com- patible</b>	Unlike np.transpose, the axis keyword argument to permute_dims is required.
reshape function has a copy keyword argument	<b>Com- patible</b>	See <a href="https://github.com/numpy/numpy/issues/9818">https://github.com/numpy/numpy/issues/9818</a> .

## 2.1.10 Set Functions Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
New functions unique_all, unique_counts, unique_inverse, and unique_values.	<b>Com- patible</b>	See <a href="#">Function Name Changes</a> .
The four unique_* functions return a named tuple.	<b>Com- patible</b>	
unique_all and unique_indices return indices with the same shape as x.	<b>Com- patible</b>	See <a href="https://github.com/numpy/numpy/issues/20638">https://github.com/numpy/numpy/issues/20638</a> .

## 2.1.11 Set Functions Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
argsort and sort have a stable keyword argument instead of kind.	<b>Break- ing</b>	stable is a boolean keyword argument, defaulting to True. kind takes a string, defaulting to "quicksort". stable=True is equivalent to kind="stable" and kind=False is equivalent to kind="quicksort", although any sorting algorithm is allowed by the spec when stable=False. The new flag name is compatible but the default change is breaking.
argsort and sort have a descending keyword argument.	<b>Com- pat- i- ble</b>	

## 2.1.12 Statistical Functions Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
sum and prod always upcast float32 to float64 when dtype=None.	<b>Breaking</b>	
The std and var functions have a correction keyword argument instead of ddof.	<b>Compatible</b>	

## 2.1.13 Other Differences

Feature	Type	Notes
Dtypes can only be spelled as dtype objects.	Strictness	For example, <code>numpy.array_api.asarray([0], dtype='int32')</code> is not allowed.
asarray is not implicitly called in any function.	Strictness	The exception is Python operators, which accept Python scalars in certain cases (see <a href="#">Type Promotion Differences</a> ).
tril and triu require the input to be at least 2-D.	Strictness	
finfo() return type uses float for the various attributes.	Strictness	The spec allows duck typing, so finfo returning dtype scalars is considered type compatible with float.

## CONSTANTS

NumPy includes several constants:

`numpy.Inf`

IEEE 754 floating point representation of (positive) infinity.

Use `inf` because `Inf`, `Infinity`, `PINF` and `infty` are aliases for `inf`. For more details, see `inf`.

### See Also

`inf`

`numpy.Infinity`

IEEE 754 floating point representation of (positive) infinity.

Use `inf` because `Inf`, `Infinity`, `PINF` and `infty` are aliases for `inf`. For more details, see `inf`.

### See Also

`inf`

`numpy.NAN`

IEEE 754 floating point representation of Not a Number (NaN).

`NaN` and `NAN` are equivalent definitions of `nan`. Please use `nan` instead of `NAN`.

### See Also

`nan`

`numpy.NINF`

IEEE 754 floating point representation of negative infinity.

## Returns

y

[float] A floating point representation of negative infinity.

## See Also

`isinf` : Shows which elements are positive or negative infinity

`isposinf` : Shows which elements are positive infinity

`isneginf` : Shows which elements are negative infinity

`isnan` : Shows which elements are Not a Number

`isfinite` : Shows which elements are finite (not one of Not a Number, positive infinity and negative infinity)

## Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). This means that Not a Number is not equivalent to infinity. Also that positive infinity is not equivalent to negative infinity. But infinity is equivalent to positive infinity.

## Examples

```
>>> np.NINF  
-inf  
>>> np.log(0)  
-inf
```

`numpy.NZERO`

IEEE 754 floating point representation of negative zero.

## Returns

y

[float] A floating point representation of negative zero.

## See Also

`PZERO` : Defines positive zero.

`isinf` : Shows which elements are positive or negative infinity.

`isposinf` : Shows which elements are positive infinity.

`isneginf` : Shows which elements are negative infinity.

`isnan` : Shows which elements are Not a Number.

## isfinite

[Shows which elements are finite - not one of] Not a Number, positive infinity and negative infinity.

## Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). Negative zero is considered to be a finite number.

## Examples

```
>>> np.NZERO  
-0.0  
>>> np.PZERO  
0.0
```

```
>>> np.isfinite([np.NZERO])  
array([ True])  
>>> np.isnan([np.NZERO])  
array([False])  
>>> np.isinf([np.NZERO])  
array([False])
```

### numpy.NaN

IEEE 754 floating point representation of Not a Number (NaN).

`NaN` and `NAN` are equivalent definitions of `nan`. Please use `nan` instead of `NAN`.

## See Also

`nan`

### numpy.PINF

IEEE 754 floating point representation of (positive) infinity.

Use `inf` because `Inf`, `Infinity`, `PINF` and `infty` are aliases for `inf`. For more details, see `inf`.

## See Also

`inf`

### numpy.PZERO

IEEE 754 floating point representation of positive zero.

## Returns

`y`

[float] A floating point representation of positive zero.

## See Also

`NZERO` : Defines negative zero.

`isinf` : Shows which elements are positive or negative infinity.

`isposinf` : Shows which elements are positive infinity.

`isneginf` : Shows which elements are negative infinity.

`isnan` : Shows which elements are Not a Number.

## `isfinite`

[Shows which elements are finite - not one of] Not a Number, positive infinity and negative infinity.

## Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). Positive zero is considered to be a finite number.

## Examples

```
>>> np.PZERO  
0.0  
>>> np.NZERO  
-0.0
```

```
>>> np.isfinite([np.PZERO])  
array([ True])  
>>> np.isnan([np.PZERO])  
array([False])  
>>> np.isinf([np.PZERO])  
array([False])
```

`numpy.e`

Euler's constant, base of natural logarithms, Napier's constant.

e = 2.71828182845904523536028747135266249775724709369995...

## See Also

`exp` : Exponential function `log` : Natural logarithm

## References

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/E\\_%28mathematical\\_constant%29](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/E_%28mathematical_constant%29)

`numpy.euler_gamma`

y = 0.5772156649015328606065120900824024310421...

## References

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Euler-Mascheroni\\_constant](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Euler-Mascheroni_constant)

`numpy.inf`

IEEE 754 floating point representation of (positive) infinity.

## Returns

`y`

[float] A floating point representation of positive infinity.

## See Also

`isinf` : Shows which elements are positive or negative infinity

`isposinf` : Shows which elements are positive infinity

`isneginf` : Shows which elements are negative infinity

`isnan` : Shows which elements are Not a Number

`isfinite` : Shows which elements are finite (not one of Not a Number, positive infinity and negative infinity)

## Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). This means that Not a Number is not equivalent to infinity. Also that positive infinity is not equivalent to negative infinity. But infinity is equivalent to positive infinity.

`Inf`, `Infinity`, `PINF` and `infty` are aliases for `inf`.

## Examples

```
>>> np.inf
inf
>>> np.array([1]) / 0.
array([ Inf])
```

`numpy.infty`

IEEE 754 floating point representation of (positive) infinity.

Use `inf` because `Inf`, `Infinity`, `PINF` and `infty` are aliases for `inf`. For more details, see `inf`.

## See Also

inf

`numpy.nan`

IEEE 754 floating point representation of Not a Number (NaN).

## Returns

y : A floating point representation of Not a Number.

## See Also

`isnan` : Shows which elements are Not a Number.

`isfinite` : Shows which elements are finite (not one of Not a Number, positive infinity and negative infinity)

## Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). This means that Not a Number is not equivalent to infinity.

`NaN` and `NAN` are aliases of `nan`.

## Examples

```
>>> np.nan
nan
>>> np.log(-1)
nan
>>> np.log([-1, 1, 2])
array([-inf,  0.       ,  0.69314718])
```

`numpy.newaxis`

A convenient alias for `None`, useful for indexing arrays.

## Examples

```
>>> newaxis is None
True
>>> x = np.arange(3)
>>> x
array([0, 1, 2])
>>> x[:, newaxis]
array([[0],
       [1],
       [2]])
>>> x[:, newaxis, newaxis]
array([[[0]],
       [[1]],
       [[2]]])
```

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```
>>> x[:, newaxis] * x
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 1, 2],
       [0, 2, 4]])
```

Outer product, same as `outer(x, y)`:

```
>>> y = np.arange(3, 6)
>>> x[:, newaxis] * y
array([[ 0,  0,  0],
       [ 3,  4,  5],
       [ 6,  8, 10]])
```

`x[newaxis, :]` is equivalent to `x[newaxis]` and `x[None]`:

```
>>> x[newaxis, :].shape
(1, 3)
>>> x[newaxis].shape
(1, 3)
>>> x[None].shape
(1, 3)
>>> x[:, newaxis].shape
(3, 1)
```

`numpy.pi`

```
pi = 3.1415926535897932384626433...
```

## References

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pi>



## UNIVERSAL FUNCTIONS (UFUNC)

### See also:

ufuncs-basics

A universal function (or ufunc for short) is a function that operates on [ndarrays](#) in an element-by-element fashion, supporting array broadcasting, type casting, and several other standard features. That is, a ufunc is a “vectorized” wrapper for a function that takes a fixed number of specific inputs and produces a fixed number of specific outputs. For detailed information on universal functions, see ufuncs-basics.

### 4.1 ufunc

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`numpy.ufunc()`

Functions that operate element by element on whole arrays.

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`class numpy.ufunc`

Functions that operate element by element on whole arrays.

To see the documentation for a specific ufunc, use [info](#). For example, `np.info(np.sin)`. Because ufuncs are written in C (for speed) and linked into Python with NumPy’s ufunc facility, Python’s `help()` function finds this page whenever `help()` is called on a ufunc.

A detailed explanation of ufuncs can be found in the docs for [Universal functions \(ufunc\)](#).

**Calling ufuncs:** `op(*x[, out], where=True, **kwargs)`

Apply `op` to the arguments `*x` elementwise, broadcasting the arguments.

The broadcasting rules are:

- Dimensions of length 1 may be prepended to either array.
- Arrays may be repeated along dimensions of length 1.

#### Parameters

**\*x**

[array\_like] Input arrays.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] Alternate array object(s) in which to put the result; if provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. A tuple of arrays

(possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs; use `None` for uninitialized outputs to be allocated by the ufunc.

**where**

[`array_like`, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns**

**r**

[`ndarray` or tuple of `ndarray`] `r` will have the shape that the arrays in `x` broadcast to; if `out` is provided, it will be returned. If not, `r` will be allocated and may contain uninitialized values. If the function has more than one output, then the result will be a tuple of arrays.

**Attributes**

***identity***

The identity value.

***nargs***

The number of arguments.

***nin***

The number of inputs.

***nout***

The number of outputs.

***ntypes***

The number of types.

***signature***

Definition of the core elements a generalized ufunc operates on.

***types***

Returns a list with types grouped input->output.

## Methods

<code>__call__(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Call self as a function.
<code>accumulate(array[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Accumulate the result of applying the operator to all elements.
<code>at(a, indices[, b])</code>	Performs unbuffered in place operation on operand 'a' for elements specified by 'indices'.
<code>outer(A, B, /, **kwargs)</code>	Apply the ufunc <i>op</i> to all pairs (a, b) with a in A and b in B.
<code>reduce(array[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims, ...])</code>	Reduces <i>array</i> 's dimension by one, by applying ufunc along one axis.
<code>reduceat(array, indices[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Performs a (local) reduce with specified slices over a single axis.

method

`ufunc.__call__(*args, **kwargs)`

Call self as a function.

method

`ufunc.accumulate(array, axis=0, dtype=None, out=None)`

Accumulate the result of applying the operator to all elements.

For a one-dimensional array, accumulate produces results equivalent to:

```
r = np.empty(len(A))
t = op.identity          # op = the ufunc being applied to A's elements
for i in range(len(A)):
    t = op(t, A[i])
    r[i] = t
return r
```

For example, add.accumulate() is equivalent to np.cumsum().

For a multi-dimensional array, accumulate is applied along only one axis (axis zero by default; see Examples below) so repeated use is necessary if one wants to accumulate over multiple axes.

### Parameters

#### array

[array\_like] The array to act on.

#### axis

[int, optional] The axis along which to apply the accumulation; default is zero.

#### dtype

[data-type code, optional] The data-type used to represent the intermediate results. Defaults to the data-type of the output array if such is provided, or the data-type of the input array if no output array is provided.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. For consistency with `ufunc.__call__`, if given as a keyword, this may be wrapped in a 1-element tuple.

Changed in version 1.13.0: Tuples are allowed for keyword argument.

## Returns

**r**

[ndarray] The accumulated values. If *out* was supplied, *r* is a reference to *out*.

## Examples

1-D array examples:

```
>>> np.add.accumulate([2, 3, 5])
array([ 2,  5, 10])
>>> np.multiply.accumulate([2, 3, 5])
array([ 2,  6, 30])
```

2-D array examples:

```
>>> I = np.eye(2)
>>> I
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.]])
```

Accumulate along axis 0 (rows), down columns:

```
>>> np.add.accumulate(I, 0)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [1.,  1.]])
>>> np.add.accumulate(I) # no axis specified = axis zero
array([[1.,  0.],
       [1.,  1.]])
```

Accumulate along axis 1 (columns), through rows:

```
>>> np.add.accumulate(I, 1)
array([[1.,  1.],
       [0.,  1.]])
```

method

`ufunc.at(a, indices, b=None, /)`

Performs unbuffered in place operation on operand ‘a’ for elements specified by ‘indices’. For addition ufunc, this method is equivalent to `a[indices] += b`, except that results are accumulated for elements that are indexed more than once. For example, `a[[0, 0]] += 1` will only increment the first element once because of buffering, whereas `add.at(a, [0, 0], 1)` will increment the first element twice.

New in version 1.8.0.

## Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] The array to perform in place operation on.

**indices**

[array\_like or tuple] Array like index object or slice object for indexing into first operand. If first operand has multiple dimensions, indices can be a tuple of array like index objects or slice objects.

**b**

[array\_like] Second operand for ufuncs requiring two operands. Operand must be broadcastable over first operand after indexing or slicing.

**Examples**

Set items 0 and 1 to their negative values:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> np.negative.at(a, [0, 1])
>>> a
array([-1, -2, 3, 4])
```

Increment items 0 and 1, and increment item 2 twice:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> np.add.at(a, [0, 1, 2, 2], 1)
>>> a
array([2, 3, 5, 4])
```

Add items 0 and 1 in first array to second array, and store results in first array:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> b = np.array([1, 2])
>>> np.add.at(a, [0, 1], b)
>>> a
array([2, 4, 3, 4])
```

method

`ufunc.outer(A, B, /, **kwargs)`

Apply the ufunc *op* to all pairs (a, b) with a in A and b in B.

Let M = A.ndim, N = B.ndim. Then the result, C, of `op.outer(A, B)` is an array of dimension M + N such that:

$$C[i_0, \dots, i_{M-1}, j_0, \dots, j_{N-1}] = op(A[i_0, \dots, i_{M-1}], B[j_0, \dots, j_{N-1}])$$

For A and B one-dimensional, this is equivalent to:

```
r = empty(len(A), len(B))
for i in range(len(A)):
    for j in range(len(B)):
        r[i,j] = op(A[i], B[j]) # op = ufunc in question
```

**Parameters****A**

[array\_like] First array

**B**

[array\_like] Second array

**kwargs**

[any] Arguments to pass on to the ufunc. Typically `dtype` or `out`. See `ufunc` for a comprehensive overview of all available arguments.

**Returns****r**

[ndarray] Output array

**See also:**

[`numpy.outer`](#)

A less powerful version of `np.multiply.outer` that `ravel`s all inputs to 1D. This exists primarily for compatibility with old code.

[`tensordot`](#)

`np.tensordot(a, b, axes=(((), ()))` and `np.multiply.outer(a, b)` behave same for all dimensions of a and b.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.multiply.outer([1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6])
array([[ 4,   5,   6],
       [ 8,  10,  12],
       [12,  15,  18]])
```

A multi-dimensional example:

```
>>> A = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])
>>> A.shape
(2, 3)
>>> B = np.array([[1, 2, 3, 4]])
>>> B.shape
(1, 4)
>>> C = np.multiply.outer(A, B)
>>> C.shape; C
(2, 3, 1, 4)
array([[[[ 1,   2,   3,   4]], 
       [[ 2,   4,   6,   8]], 
       [[ 3,   6,   9,  12]]], 
      [[[ 4,   8,  12,  16]], 
       [[ 5,  10,  15,  20]], 
       [[ 6,  12,  18,  24]]]])
```

**method**

`ufunc.reduce(array, axis=0, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=False, initial=<no value>, where=True)`

Reduces `array`'s dimension by one, by applying ufunc along one axis.

Let  $\text{array.shape} = (N_0, \dots, N_i, \dots, N_{M-1})$ . Then  $\text{ufunc.reduce(array, axis} = i)[k_0, \dots, k_{i-1}, k_{i+1}, \dots, k_{M-1}]$  = the result of iterating  $j$  over  $\text{range}(N_i)$ , cumulatively applying ufunc to each  $\text{array}[k_0, \dots, k_{i-1}, j, k_{i+1}, \dots, k_{M-1}]$ . For a one-dimensional array, reduce produces results equivalent to:

```
r = op.identity # op = ufunc
for i in range(len(A)):
    r = op(r, A[i])
return r
```

For example, `add.reduce()` is equivalent to `sum()`.

## Parameters

### `array`

[`array_like`] The array to act on.

### `axis`

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which a reduction is performed. The default (`axis = 0`) is perform a reduction over the first dimension of the input array. `axis` may be negative, in which case it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is None, a reduction is performed over all the axes. If this is a tuple of ints, a reduction is performed on multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

For operations which are either not commutative or not associative, doing a reduction over multiple axes is not well-defined. The ufuncs do not currently raise an exception in this case, but will likely do so in the future.

### `dtype`

[data-type code, optional] The type used to represent the intermediate results. Defaults to the data-type of the output array if this is provided, or the data-type of the input array if no output array is provided.

### `out`

[`ndarray`, None, or tuple of `ndarray` and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. For consistency with `ufunc.__call__`, if given as a keyword, this may be wrapped in a 1-element tuple.

Changed in version 1.13.0: Tuples are allowed for keyword argument.

### `keepdims`

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original `array`.

New in version 1.7.0.

### `initial`

[scalar, optional] The value with which to start the reduction. If the ufunc has no identity or the `dtype` is object, this defaults to None - otherwise it defaults to `ufunc.identity`. If None is given, the first element of the reduction is used, and an error is thrown if the reduction is empty.

New in version 1.15.0.

### `where`

[`array_like` of bool, optional] A boolean array which is broadcasted to match the dimensions of `array`, and selects elements to include in the reduction. Note that for ufuncs like `minimum` that do not have an identity defined, one has to pass in also `initial`.

New in version 1.17.0.

## Returns

`r`

[ndarray] The reduced array. If `out` was supplied, `r` is a reference to it.

## Examples

```
>>> np.multiply.reduce([2, 3, 5])
30
```

A multi-dimensional array example:

```
>>> X = np.arange(8).reshape((2, 2, 2))
>>> X
array([[[0,  1],
       [2,  3]],
      [[4,  5],
       [6,  7]]])
>>> np.add.reduce(X, 0)
array([[ 4,  6],
       [ 8, 10]])
>>> np.add.reduce(X) # confirm: default axis value is 0
array([[ 4,  6],
       [ 8, 10]])
>>> np.add.reduce(X, 1)
array([[ 2,  4],
       [10, 12]])
>>> np.add.reduce(X, 2)
array([[ 1,  5],
       [ 9, 13]])
```

You can use the `initial` keyword argument to initialize the reduction with a different value, and where to select specific elements to include:

```
>>> np.add.reduce([10], initial=5)
15
>>> np.add.reduce(np.ones((2, 2, 2)), axis=(0, 2), initial=10)
array([14., 14.])
>>> a = np.array([10., np.nan, 10])
>>> np.add.reduce(a, where=~np.isnan(a))
20.0
```

Allows reductions of empty arrays where they would normally fail, i.e. for ufuncs without an identity.

```
>>> np.minimum.reduce([], initial=np.inf)
inf
>>> np.minimum.reduce([[1., 2.], [3., 4.]], initial=10., where=[True, False])
array([ 1., 10.])
>>> np.minimum.reduce([])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: zero-size array to reduction operation minimum which has no
identity
```

method

`ufunc.reduceat(array, indices, axis=0, dtype=None, out=None)`

Performs a (local) reduce with specified slices over a single axis.

For  $i$  in `range(len(indices))`, `reduceat` computes `ufunc.reduce(array[indices[i]:indices[i+1]])`, which becomes the  $i$ -th generalized “row” parallel to `axis` in the final result (i.e., in a 2-D array, for example, if `axis = 0`, it becomes the  $i$ -th row, but if `axis = 1`, it becomes the  $i$ -th column). There are three exceptions to this:

- when  $i = \text{len}(\text{indices}) - 1$  (so for the last index),  $\text{indices}[i+1] = \text{array.shape[axis]}$ .
- if  $\text{indices}[i] \geq \text{indices}[i + 1]$ , the  $i$ -th generalized “row” is simply `array[indices[i]]`.
- if  $\text{indices}[i] \geq \text{len(array)}$  or  $\text{indices}[i] < 0$ , an error is raised.

The shape of the output depends on the size of `indices`, and may be larger than `array` (this happens if `len(indices) > array.shape[axis]`).

## Parameters

### array

[array\_like] The array to act on.

### indices

[array\_like] Paired indices, comma separated (not colon), specifying slices to reduce.

### axis

[int, optional] The axis along which to apply the `reduceat`.

### dtype

[data-type code, optional] The type used to represent the intermediate results. Defaults to the data type of the output array if this is provided, or the data type of the input array if no output array is provided.

### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. For consistency with `ufunc.__call__`, if given as a keyword, this may be wrapped in a 1-element tuple.

Changed in version 1.13.0: Tuples are allowed for keyword argument.

## Returns

### r

[ndarray] The reduced values. If `out` was supplied, `r` is a reference to `out`.

## Notes

A descriptive example:

If `array` is 1-D, the function `ufunc.accumulate(array)` is the same as `ufunc.reduceat(array, indices)[::2]` where `indices` is `range(len(array) - 1)` with a zero placed in every other element: `indices = zeros(2 * len(array) - 1), indices[1::2] = range(1, len(array))`.

Don't be fooled by this attribute's name: `reduceat(array)` is not necessarily smaller than `array`.

## Examples

To take the running sum of four successive values:

```
>>> np.add.reduceat(np.arange(8), [0, 4, 1, 5, 2, 6, 3, 7])[::2]
array([ 6, 10, 14, 18])
```

A 2-D example:

```
>>> x = np.linspace(0, 15, 16).reshape(4,4)
>>> x
array([[ 0.,  1.,  2.,  3.],
       [ 4.,  5.,  6.,  7.],
       [ 8.,  9., 10., 11.],
       [12., 13., 14., 15.]])
```

```
# reduce such that the result has the following five rows:
# [row1 + row2 + row3]
# [row4]
# [row2]
# [row3]
# [row1 + row2 + row3 + row4]
```

```
>>> np.add.reduceat(x, [0, 3, 1, 2, 0])
array([[12., 15., 18., 21.],
       [12., 13., 14., 15.],
       [ 4.,  5.,  6.,  7.],
       [ 8.,  9., 10., 11.],
       [24., 28., 32., 36.]])
```

```
# reduce such that result has the following two columns:
# [col1 * col2 * col3, col4]
```

```
>>> np.multiply.reduceat(x, [0, 3], 1)
array([[ 0.,      3.],
       [120.,     7.],
       [720.,    11.],
       [2184.,   15.]])
```

## 4.1.1 Optional keyword arguments

All ufuncs take optional keyword arguments. Most of these represent advanced usage and will not typically be used.

### **out**

New in version 1.6.

The first output can be provided as either a positional or a keyword parameter. Keyword ‘out’ arguments are incompatible with positional ones.

New in version 1.10.

The ‘out’ keyword argument is expected to be a tuple with one entry per output (which can be None for arrays to be allocated by the ufunc). For ufuncs with a single output, passing a single array (instead of a tuple holding a single array) is also valid.

Passing a single array in the ‘out’ keyword argument to a ufunc with multiple outputs is deprecated, and will raise a warning in numpy 1.10, and an error in a future release.

If ‘out’ is None (the default), a uninitialized return array is created. The output array is then filled with the results of the ufunc in the places that the broadcast ‘where’ is True. If ‘where’ is the scalar True (the default), then this corresponds to the entire output being filled. Note that outputs not explicitly filled are left with their uninitialized values.

New in version 1.13.

Operations where ufunc input and output operands have memory overlap are defined to be the same as for equivalent operations where there is no memory overlap. Operations affected make temporary copies as needed to eliminate data dependency. As detecting these cases is computationally expensive, a heuristic is used, which may in rare cases result in needless temporary copies. For operations where the data dependency is simple enough for the heuristic to analyze, temporary copies will not be made even if the arrays overlap, if it can be deduced copies are not necessary. As an example, `np.add(a, b, out=a)` will not involve copies.

### **where**

New in version 1.7.

Accepts a boolean array which is broadcast together with the operands. Values of True indicate to calculate the ufunc at that position, values of False indicate to leave the value in the output alone. This argument cannot be used for generalized ufuncs as those take non-scalar input.

Note that if an uninitialized return array is created, values of False will leave those values **uninitialized**.

### **axes**

New in version 1.15.

A list of tuples with indices of axes a generalized ufunc should operate on. For instance, for a signature of `(i, j), (j, k) -> (i, k)` appropriate for matrix multiplication, the base elements are two-dimensional matrices and these are taken to be stored in the two last axes of each argument. The corresponding axes keyword would be `[(-2, -1), (-2, -1), (-2, -1)]`. For simplicity, for generalized ufuncs that operate on 1-dimensional arrays (vectors), a single integer is accepted instead of a single-element tuple, and for generalized ufuncs for which all outputs are scalars, the output tuples can be omitted.

### ***axis***

New in version 1.15.

A single axis over which a generalized ufunc should operate. This is a short-cut for ufuncs that operate over a single, shared core dimension, equivalent to passing in `axes` with entries of `(axis,)` for each single-core-dimension argument and `()` for all others. For instance, for a signature `(i), (i) -> ()`, it is equivalent to passing in `axes=[(axis,), (axis,), ()]`.

### ***keepdims***

New in version 1.15.

If this is set to `True`, axes which are reduced over will be left in the result as a dimension with size one, so that the result will broadcast correctly against the inputs. This option can only be used for generalized ufuncs that operate on inputs that all have the same number of core dimensions and with outputs that have no core dimensions, i.e., with signatures like `(i), (i) -> ()` or `(m, m) -> ()`. If used, the location of the dimensions in the output can be controlled with `axes` and `axis`.

### ***casting***

New in version 1.6.

May be ‘no’, ‘equiv’, ‘safe’, ‘same\_kind’, or ‘unsafe’. See [can\\_cast](#) for explanations of the parameter values.

Provides a policy for what kind of casting is permitted. For compatibility with previous versions of NumPy, this defaults to ‘unsafe’ for numpy < 1.7. In numpy 1.7 a transition to ‘same\_kind’ was begun where ufuncs produce a DeprecationWarning for calls which are allowed under the ‘unsafe’ rules, but not under the ‘same\_kind’ rules. From numpy 1.10 and onwards, the default is ‘same\_kind’.

### ***order***

New in version 1.6.

Specifies the calculation iteration order/memory layout of the output array. Defaults to ‘K’. ‘C’ means the output should be C-contiguous, ‘F’ means F-contiguous, ‘A’ means F-contiguous if the inputs are F-contiguous and not also not C-contiguous, C-contiguous otherwise, and ‘K’ means to match the element ordering of the inputs as closely as possible.

### ***dtype***

New in version 1.6.

Overrides the DType of the output arrays the same way as the *signature*. This should ensure a matching precision of the calculation. The exact calculation DTYPES chosen may depend on the ufunc and the inputs may be cast to this Dtype to perform the calculation.

**`subok`**

New in version 1.6.

Defaults to true. If set to false, the output will always be a strict array, not a subtype.

**`signature`**

Either a Dtype, a tuple of DTypes, or a special signature string indicating the input and output types of a ufunc.

This argument allows the user to specify exact DTypes to be used for the calculation. Casting will be used as necessary. The actual Dtype of the input arrays is not considered unless `signature` is `None` for that array.

When all DTypes are fixed, a specific loop is chosen or an error raised if no matching loop exists. If some DTypes are not specified and left `None`, the behaviour may depend on the ufunc. At this time, a list of available signatures is provided by the `types` attribute of the ufunc. (This list may be missing DTypes not defined by NumPy.)

The `signature` only specifies the Dtype class/type. For example, it can specify that the operation should be `datetime64` or `float64` operation. It does not specify the `datetime64` time-unit or the `float64` byte-order.

For backwards compatibility this argument can also be provided as `sig`, although the long form is preferred. Note that this should not be confused with the generalized ufunc `signature` that is stored in the `signature` attribute of the ufunc object.

**`extobj`**

A list of length 3 specifying the ufunc buffer-size, the error mode integer, and the error call-back function. Normally, these values are looked up in a thread-specific dictionary. Passing them here circumvents that look up and uses the low-level specification provided for the error mode. This may be useful, for example, as an optimization for calculations requiring many ufunc calls on small arrays in a loop.

## 4.1.2 Attributes

There are some informational attributes that universal functions possess. None of the attributes can be set.

<code>__doc</code>	A docstring for each ufunc. The first part of the docstring is dynamically generated from the number of outputs, the name, and the number of inputs. The second part of the docstring is provided at creation time and stored with the ufunc.
<code>__name</code>	The name of the ufunc.

<code>ufunc.nin</code>	The number of inputs.
<code>ufunc.nout</code>	The number of outputs.
<code>ufunc.nargs</code>	The number of arguments.
<code>ufunc.ntypes</code>	The number of types.
<code>ufunc.types</code>	Returns a list with types grouped input->output.
<code>ufunc.identity</code>	The identity value.
<code>ufunc.signature</code>	Definition of the core elements a generalized ufunc operates on.

attribute

## ufunc.nin

The number of inputs.

Data attribute containing the number of arguments the ufunc treats as input.

### Examples

```
>>> np.add.nin
2
>>> np.multiply.nin
2
>>> np.power.nin
2
>>> np.exp.nin
1
```

attribute

## ufunc.nout

The number of outputs.

Data attribute containing the number of arguments the ufunc treats as output.

### Notes

Since all ufuncs can take output arguments, this will always be (at least) 1.

### Examples

```
>>> np.add.nout
1
>>> np.multiply.nout
1
>>> np.power.nout
1
>>> np.exp.nout
1
```

attribute

## ufunc.nargs

The number of arguments.

Data attribute containing the number of arguments the ufunc takes, including optional ones.

## Notes

Typically this value will be one more than what you might expect because all ufuncs take the optional “out” argument.

## Examples

```
>>> np.add.nargs
3
>>> np.multiply.nargs
3
>>> np.power.nargs
3
>>> np.exp.nargs
2
```

attribute

### ufunc.**ntypes**

The number of types.

The number of numerical NumPy types - of which there are 18 total - on which the ufunc can operate.

**See also:**

[\*numpy.ufunc.types\*](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.add.ntypes
18
>>> np.multiply.ntypes
18
>>> np.power.ntypes
17
>>> np.exp.ntypes
7
>>> np.remainder.ntypes
14
```

attribute

### ufunc.**types**

Returns a list with types grouped input->output.

Data attribute listing the data-type “Domain-Range” groupings the ufunc can deliver. The data-types are given using the character codes.

**See also:**

[\*numpy.ufunc.ntypes\*](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.add.types
[ '?->?', 'bb->b', 'BB->B', 'hh->h', 'HH->H', 'ii->i', 'II->I', 'll->l',
'LL->L', 'qq->q', 'QQ->Q', 'ff->f', 'dd->d', 'gg->g', 'FF->F', 'DD->D',
'GG->G', 'OO->O']
```

```
>>> np.multiply.types
[ '?->?', 'bb->b', 'BB->B', 'hh->h', 'HH->H', 'ii->i', 'II->I', 'll->l',
'LL->L', 'qq->q', 'QQ->Q', 'ff->f', 'dd->d', 'gg->g', 'FF->F', 'DD->D',
'GG->G', 'OO->O']
```

```
>>> np.power.types
[ 'bb->b', 'BB->B', 'hh->h', 'HH->H', 'ii->i', 'II->I', 'll->l', 'LL->L',
'qq->q', 'QQ->Q', 'ff->f', 'dd->d', 'gg->g', 'FF->F', 'DD->D', 'GG->G',
'OO->O']
```

```
>>> np.exp.types
[ 'f->f', 'd->d', 'g->g', 'F->F', 'D->D', 'G->G', 'O->O']
```

```
>>> np.remainder.types
[ 'bb->b', 'BB->B', 'hh->h', 'HH->H', 'ii->i', 'II->I', 'll->l', 'LL->L',
'qq->q', 'QQ->Q', 'ff->f', 'dd->d', 'gg->g', 'OO->O']
```

attribute

`ufunc.identity`

The identity value.

Data attribute containing the identity element for the ufunc, if it has one. If it does not, the attribute value is `None`.

## Examples

```
>>> np.add.identity
0
>>> np.multiply.identity
1
>>> np.power.identity
1
>>> print(np.exp.identity)
None
```

attribute

`ufunc.signature`

Definition of the core elements a generalized ufunc operates on.

The signature determines how the dimensions of each input/output array are split into core and loop dimensions:

1. Each dimension in the signature is matched to a dimension of the corresponding passed-in array, starting from the end of the shape tuple.
2. Core dimensions assigned to the same label in the signature must have exactly matching sizes, no broadcasting is performed.
3. The core dimensions are removed from all inputs and the remaining dimensions are broadcast together, defining the loop dimensions.

## Notes

Generalized ufuncs are used internally in many linalg functions, and in the testing suite; the examples below are taken from these. For ufuncs that operate on scalars, the signature is `None`, which is equivalent to '`()`' for every argument.

## Examples

```
>>> np.core.umath_tests.matrix_multiply.signature
'(m, n), (n, p)->(m, p)'
>>> np.linalg._umath_linalg.det.signature
'(m, m)->()'
>>> np.add.signature is None
True  # equivalent to '((), ()->())'
```

### 4.1.3 Methods

<code>ufunc.reduce(array[, axis, dtype, out, ...])</code>	Reduces <code>array</code> 's dimension by one, by applying ufunc along one axis.
<code>ufunc.accumulate(array[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Accumulate the result of applying the operator to all elements.
<code>ufunc.reduceat(array, indices[, axis, ...])</code>	Performs a (local) reduce with specified slices over a single axis.
<code>ufunc.outer(A, B, /, **kwargs)</code>	Apply the ufunc <code>op</code> to all pairs (a, b) with a in <code>A</code> and b in <code>B</code> .
<code>ufunc.at(a, indices[, b])</code>	Performs unbuffered in place operation on operand 'a' for elements specified by 'indices'.

**Warning:** A reduce-like operation on an array with a data-type that has a range “too small” to handle the result will silently wrap. One should use `dtype` to increase the size of the data-type over which reduction takes place.

## 4.2 Available ufuncs

There are currently more than 60 universal functions defined in `numpy` on one or more types, covering a wide variety of operations. Some of these ufuncs are called automatically on arrays when the relevant infix notation is used (*e.g.*, `add(a, b)` is called internally when `a + b` is written and `a` or `b` is an `ndarray`). Nevertheless, you may still want to use the ufunc call in order to use the optional output argument(s) to place the output(s) in an object (or objects) of your choice.

Recall that each ufunc operates element-by-element. Therefore, each scalar ufunc will be described as if acting on a set of scalar inputs to return a set of scalar outputs.

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**Note:** The ufunc still returns its output(s) even if you use the optional output argument(s).

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## 4.2.1 Math operations

<code>add(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Add arguments element-wise.
<code>subtract(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Subtract arguments, element-wise.
<code>multiply(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Multiply arguments element-wise.
<code>matmul(x1, x2, /[, out, casting, order, ...])</code>	Matrix product of two arrays.
<code>divide(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Divide arguments element-wise.
<code>logaddexp(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Logarithm of the sum of exponentiations of the inputs.
<code>logaddexp2(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Logarithm of the sum of exponentiations of the inputs in base-2.
<code>true_divide(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Divide arguments element-wise.
<code>floor_divide(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Return the largest integer smaller or equal to the division of the inputs.
<code>negative(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Numerical negative, element-wise.
<code>positive(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Numerical positive, element-wise.
<code>power(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	First array elements raised to powers from second array, element-wise.
<code>float_power(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	First array elements raised to powers from second array, element-wise.
<code>remainder(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Returns the element-wise remainder of division.
<code>mod(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns the element-wise remainder of division.
<code>fmod(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Returns the element-wise remainder of division.
<code>divmod(x1, x2[, out1, out2], / [[, out, ...]])</code>	Return element-wise quotient and remainder simultaneously.
<code>absolute(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Calculate the absolute value element-wise.
<code>fabs(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute the absolute values element-wise.
<code>rint(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Round elements of the array to the nearest integer.
<code>sign(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns an element-wise indication of the sign of a number.
<code>heaviside(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Compute the Heaviside step function.
<code>conj(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.
<code>conjugate(x, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.
<code>exp(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Calculate the exponential of all elements in the input array.
<code>exp2(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Calculate $2^{xp}$ for all $p$ in the input array.
<code>log(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Natural logarithm, element-wise.
<code>log2(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Base-2 logarithm of $x$ .
<code>log10(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the base 10 logarithm of the input array, element-wise.
<code>expm1(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Calculate $\exp(x) - 1$ for all elements in the array.
<code>log1p(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the natural logarithm of one plus the input array, element-wise.
<code>sqrt(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the non-negative square-root of an array, element-wise.
<code>square(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the element-wise square of the input.
<code>cbrt(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the cube-root of an array, element-wise.
<code>reciprocal(x, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the reciprocal of the argument, element-wise.
<code>gcd(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns the greatest common divisor of $ x_1 $ and $ x_2 $
<code>lcm(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns the lowest common multiple of $ x_1 $ and $ x_2 $

**Tip:** The optional output arguments can be used to help you save memory for large calculations. If your arrays are large,

complicated expressions can take longer than absolutely necessary due to the creation and (later) destruction of temporary calculation spaces. For example, the expression `G = A * B + C` is equivalent to `T1 = A * B; G = T1 + C; del T1`. It will be more quickly executed as `G = A * B; add(G, C, G)` which is the same as `G = A * B; G += C`.

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## 4.2.2 Trigonometric functions

All trigonometric functions use radians when an angle is called for. The ratio of degrees to radians is  $180^\circ/\pi$ .

<code>sin(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Trigonometric sine, element-wise.
<code>cos(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Cosine element-wise.
<code>tan(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute tangent element-wise.
<code>arcsin(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Inverse sine, element-wise.
<code>arccos(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Trigonometric inverse cosine, element-wise.
<code>arctan(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Trigonometric inverse tangent, element-wise.
<code>arctan2(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise arc tangent of $x1/x2$ choosing the quadrant correctly.
<code>hypot(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Given the "legs" of a right triangle, return its hypotenuse.
<code>sinh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Hyperbolic sine, element-wise.
<code>cosh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Hyperbolic cosine, element-wise.
<code>tanh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute hyperbolic tangent element-wise.
<code>arcsinh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Inverse hyperbolic sine element-wise.
<code>arccosh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Inverse hyperbolic cosine, element-wise.
<code>arctanh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Inverse hyperbolic tangent element-wise.
<code>degrees(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Convert angles from radians to degrees.
<code>radians(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Convert angles from degrees to radians.
<code>deg2rad(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Convert angles from degrees to radians.
<code>rad2deg(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Convert angles from radians to degrees.

## 4.2.3 Bit-twiddling functions

These function all require integer arguments and they manipulate the bit-pattern of those arguments.

<code>bitwise_and(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Compute the bit-wise AND of two arrays element-wise.
<code>bitwise_or(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Compute the bit-wise OR of two arrays element-wise.
<code>bitwise_xor(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Compute the bit-wise XOR of two arrays element-wise.
<code>invert(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute bit-wise inversion, or bit-wise NOT, element-wise.
<code>left_shift(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Shift the bits of an integer to the left.
<code>right_shift(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Shift the bits of an integer to the right.

## 4.2.4 Comparison functions

<code>greater(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the truth value of $(x1 > x2)$ element-wise.
<code>greater_equal(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Return the truth value of $(x1 \geq x2)$ element-wise.
<code>less(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the truth value of $(x1 < x2)$ element-wise.
<code>less_equal(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the truth value of $(x1 \leq x2)$ element-wise.
<code>not_equal(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return $(x1 \neq x2)$ element-wise.
<code>equal(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return $(x1 == x2)$ element-wise.

**Warning:** Do not use the Python keywords `and` and `or` to combine logical array expressions. These keywords will test the truth value of the entire array (not element-by-element as you might expect). Use the bitwise operators `&` and `|` instead.

<code>logical_and(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Compute the truth value of $x1 \text{ AND } x2$ element-wise.
<code>logical_or(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Compute the truth value of $x1 \text{ OR } x2$ element-wise.
<code>logical_xor(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Compute the truth value of $x1 \text{ XOR } x2$ , element-wise.
<code>logical_not(x, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Compute the truth value of NOT $x$ element-wise.

**Warning:** The bit-wise operators `&` and `|` are the proper way to perform element-by-element array comparisons. Be sure you understand the operator precedence: `(a > 2) & (a < 5)` is the proper syntax because `a > 2 & a < 5` will result in an error due to the fact that `2 & a` is evaluated first.

<code>maximum(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise maximum of array elements.
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**Tip:** The Python function `max()` will find the maximum over a one-dimensional array, but it will do so using a slower sequence interface. The reduce method of the maximum ufunc is much faster. Also, the `max()` method will not give answers you might expect for arrays with greater than one dimension. The reduce method of `minimum` also allows you to compute a total minimum over an array.

<code>minimum(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise minimum of array elements.
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**Warning:** the behavior of `maximum(a, b)` is different than that of `max(a, b)`. As a ufunc, `maximum(a, b)` performs an element-by-element comparison of  $a$  and  $b$  and chooses each element of the result according to which element in the two arrays is larger. In contrast, `max(a, b)` treats the objects  $a$  and  $b$  as a whole, looks at the (total) truth value of  $a > b$  and uses it to return either  $a$  or  $b$  (as a whole). A similar difference exists between `minimum(a, b)` and `min(a, b)`.

<code>fmax(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise maximum of array elements.
<code>fmin(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise minimum of array elements.

## 4.2.5 Floating functions

Recall that all of these functions work element-by-element over an array, returning an array output. The description details only a single operation.

<code>isfinite(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Test element-wise for finiteness (not infinity and not Not a Number).
<code>isinf(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Test element-wise for positive or negative infinity.
<code>isnan(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Test element-wise for NaN and return result as a boolean array.
<code>isnat(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Test element-wise for NaT (not a time) and return result as a boolean array.
<code>fabs(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute the absolute values element-wise.
<code>signbit(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns element-wise True where signbit is set (less than zero).
<code>copysign(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Change the sign of x1 to that of x2, element-wise.
<code>nextafter(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the next floating-point value after x1 towards x2, element-wise.
<code>spacing(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the distance between x and the nearest adjacent number.
<code>modf(x[, out1, out2], / [[, out, where, ...]])</code>	Return the fractional and integral parts of an array, element-wise.
<code>ldexp(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Returns $x1 * 2^{x2}$ , element-wise.
<code>frexp(x[, out1, out2], / [[, out, where, ...]])</code>	Decompose the elements of x into mantissa and twos exponent.
<code>fmod(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Returns the element-wise remainder of division.
<code>floor(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the floor of the input, element-wise.
<code>ceil(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the ceiling of the input, element-wise.
<code>trunc(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the truncated value of the input, element-wise.



## ROUTINES

In this chapter routine docstrings are presented, grouped by functionality. Many docstrings contain example code, which demonstrates basic usage of the routine. The examples assume that NumPy is imported with:

```
>>> import numpy as np
```

A convenient way to execute examples is the `%doctest_mode` mode of IPython, which allows for pasting of multi-line examples and preserves indentation.

## 5.1 Array creation routines

See also:

Array creation

### 5.1.1 From shape or value

<code>empty</code> (shape[, dtype, order, like])	Return a new array of given shape and type, without initializing entries.
<code>empty_like</code> (prototype[, dtype, order, subok, ...])	Return a new array with the same shape and type as a given array.
<code>eye</code> (N[, M, k, dtype, order, like])	Return a 2-D array with ones on the diagonal and zeros elsewhere.
<code>identity</code> (n[, dtype, like])	Return the identity array.
<code>ones</code> (shape[, dtype, order, like])	Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with ones.
<code>ones_like</code> (a[, dtype, order, subok, shape])	Return an array of ones with the same shape and type as a given array.
<code>zeros</code> (shape[, dtype, order, like])	Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with zeros.
<code>zeros_like</code> (a[, dtype, order, subok, shape])	Return an array of zeros with the same shape and type as a given array.
<code>full</code> (shape, fill_value[, dtype, order, like])	Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with <code>fill_value</code> .
<code>full_like</code> (a, fill_value[, dtype, order, ...])	Return a full array with the same shape and type as a given array.

`numpy.empty(shape, dtype=float, order='C', *, like=None)`

Return a new array of given shape and type, without initializing entries.

### Parameters

#### shape

[int or tuple of int] Shape of the empty array, e.g., (2, 3) or 2.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Desired output data-type for the array, e.g., `numpy.int8`. Default is `numpy.float64`.

#### order

[{'C', 'F'}, optional, default: 'C'] Whether to store multi-dimensional data in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

#### like

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] Array of uninitialized (arbitrary) data of the given shape, dtype, and order. Object arrays will be initialized to None.

### See also:

#### `empty_like`

Return an empty array with shape and type of input.

#### `ones`

Return a new array setting values to one.

#### `zeros`

Return a new array setting values to zero.

#### `full`

Return a new array of given shape filled with value.

## Notes

`empty`, unlike `zeros`, does not set the array values to zero, and may therefore be marginally faster. On the other hand, it requires the user to manually set all the values in the array, and should be used with caution.

## Examples

```
>>> np.empty([2, 2])
array([[ -9.74499359e+001,   6.69583040e-309],
       [  2.13182611e-314,   3.06959433e-309]])      #uninitialized
```

```
>>> np.empty([2, 2], dtype=int)
array([[ -1073741821, -1067949133],
       [  496041986,   19249760]])                  #uninitialized
```

`numpy.empty_like(prototype, dtype=None, order='K', subok=True, shape=None)`

Return a new array with the same shape and type as a given array.

### Parameters

#### prototype

[array\_like] The shape and data-type of *prototype* define these same attributes of the returned array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Overrides the data type of the result.

New in version 1.6.0.

#### order

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, or ‘K’}, optional] Overrides the memory layout of the result. ‘C’ means C-order, ‘F’ means F-order, ‘A’ means ‘F’ if *prototype* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise. ‘K’ means match the layout of *prototype* as closely as possible.

New in version 1.6.0.

#### subok

[bool, optional.] If True, then the newly created array will use the sub-class type of *prototype*, otherwise it will be a base-class array. Defaults to True.

#### shape

[int or sequence of ints, optional.] Overrides the shape of the result. If order=’K’ and the number of dimensions is unchanged, will try to keep order, otherwise, order=’C’ is implied.

New in version 1.17.0.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] Array of uninitialized (arbitrary) data with the same shape and type as *prototype*.

### See also:

**`ones_like`**

Return an array of ones with shape and type of input.

**`zeros_like`**

Return an array of zeros with shape and type of input.

**`full_like`**

Return a new array with shape of input filled with value.

**`empty`**

Return a new uninitialized array.

**Notes**

This function does *not* initialize the returned array; to do that use `zeros_like` or `ones_like` instead. It may be marginally faster than the functions that do set the array values.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = ([1,2,3], [4,5,6])                                     # a is array-like
>>> np.empty_like(a)
array([[-1073741821, -1073741821,                 3],      # uninitialized
       [          0,           0, -1073741821]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[1., 2., 3.],[4., 5., 6.]])
>>> np.empty_like(a)
array([[ -2.00000715e+000,   1.48219694e-323, -2.00000572e+000], # uninitialized
       [ 4.38791518e-305, -2.00000715e+000,   4.17269252e-309]])
```

`numpy.eye(N, M=None, k=0, dtype=<class 'float'>, order='C', *, like=None)`

Return a 2-D array with ones on the diagonal and zeros elsewhere.

**Parameters****N**

[int] Number of rows in the output.

**M**

[int, optional] Number of columns in the output. If None, defaults to *N*.

**k**

[int, optional] Index of the diagonal: 0 (the default) refers to the main diagonal, a positive value refers to an upper diagonal, and a negative value to a lower diagonal.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the returned array.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Whether the output should be stored in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

New in version 1.14.0.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****I**

[ndarray of shape (N,M)] An array where all elements are equal to zero, except for the  $k$ -th diagonal, whose values are equal to one.

**See also:**

***identity***

(almost) equivalent function

***diag***

diagonal 2-D array from a 1-D array specified by the user.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.eye(2, dtype=int)
array([[1, 0],
       [0, 1]])
>>> np.eye(3, k=1)
array([[0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.],
       [0.,  0.,  0.]])
```

`numpy.identity(n, dtype=None, *, like=None)`

Return the identity array.

The identity array is a square array with ones on the main diagonal.

**Parameters****n**

[int] Number of rows (and columns) in  $n \times n$  output.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the output. Defaults to `float`.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray]  $n \times n$  array with its main diagonal set to one, and all other elements 0.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.identity(3)
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
```

`numpy.ones` (*shape*, *dtype=None*, *order='C'*, \*, *like=None*)

Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with ones.

**Parameters****shape**

[int or sequence of ints] Shape of the new array, e.g., (2, 3) or 2.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] The desired data-type for the array, e.g., `numpy.int8`. Default is `numpy.float64`.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional, default: C] Whether to store multi-dimensional data in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as *like* supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array of ones with the given shape, *dtype*, and *order*.

**See also:****`ones_like`**

Return an array of ones with shape and type of input.

**`empty`**

Return a new uninitialized array.

**`zeros`**

Return a new array setting values to zero.

**full**

Return a new array of given shape filled with value.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.ones(5)
array([1., 1., 1., 1., 1.])
```

```
>>> np.ones((5,), dtype=int)
array([1, 1, 1, 1, 1])
```

```
>>> np.ones((2, 1))
array([[1.],
       [1.]])
```

```
>>> s = (2, 2)
>>> np.ones(s)
array([[1., 1.],
       [1., 1.]])
```

`numpy.ones_like(a, dtype=None, order='K', subok=True, shape=None)`

Return an array of ones with the same shape and type as a given array.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] The shape and data-type of *a* define these same attributes of the returned array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Overrides the data type of the result.

New in version 1.6.0.

**order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', or 'K'}, optional] Overrides the memory layout of the result. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible.

New in version 1.6.0.

**subok**

[bool, optional.] If True, then the newly created array will use the sub-class type of *a*, otherwise it will be a base-class array. Defaults to True.

**shape**

[int or sequence of ints, optional.] Overrides the shape of the result. If order='K' and the number of dimensions is unchanged, will try to keep order, otherwise, order='C' is implied.

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray] Array of ones with the same shape and type as *a*.

**See also:****[empty\\_like](#)**

Return an empty array with shape and type of input.

**[zeros\\_like](#)**

Return an array of zeros with shape and type of input.

**[full\\_like](#)**

Return a new array with shape of input filled with value.

**[ones](#)**

Return a new array setting values to one.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(6)
>>> x = x.reshape((2, 3))
>>> x
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.ones_like(x)
array([[1, 1, 1],
       [1, 1, 1]])
```

```
>>> y = np.arange(3, dtype=float)
>>> y
array([0., 1., 2.])
>>> np.ones_like(y)
array([1., 1., 1.])
```

`numpy.zeros`(*shape*, *dtype*=*float*, *order*=‘C’, \*, *like*=*None*)

Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with zeros.

**Parameters****shape**

[int or tuple of ints] Shape of the new array, e.g., (2, 3) or 2.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] The desired data-type for the array, e.g., `numpy.int8`. Default is `numpy.float64`.

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’}, optional, default: ‘C’] Whether to store multi-dimensional data in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray] Array of zeros with the given shape, `dtype`, and order.

## See also:

### `zeros\_like`

Return an array of zeros with shape and type of input.

### `empty`

Return a new uninitialized array.

### `ones`

Return a new array setting values to one.

### `full`

Return a new array of given shape filled with value.

## Examples

```
>>> np.zeros(5)
array([ 0.,  0.,  0.,  0.,  0.])
```

```
>>> np.zeros((5,), dtype=int)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
```

```
>>> np.zeros((2, 1))
array([[ 0.],
       [ 0.]])
```

```
>>> s = (2,2)
>>> np.zeros(s)
array([[ 0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.]])
```

```
>>> np.zeros((2,), dtype=[('x', 'i4'), ('y', 'i4')]) # custom dtype
array([(0, 0), (0, 0)],
      dtype=[('x', '<i4'), ('y', '<i4')])
```

`numpy.zeros_like`(*a*, `dtype=None`, `order='K'`, `subok=True`, `shape=None`)

Return an array of zeros with the same shape and type as a given array.

## Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] The shape and data-type of *a* define these same attributes of the returned array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Overrides the data type of the result.

New in version 1.6.0.

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, or ‘K’}, optional] Overrides the memory layout of the result. ‘C’ means C-order, ‘F’ means F-order, ‘A’ means ‘F’ if *a* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise. ‘K’ means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible.

New in version 1.6.0.

**subok**

[bool, optional.] If True, then the newly created array will use the sub-class type of *a*, otherwise it will be a base-class array. Defaults to True.

**shape**

[int or sequence of ints, optional.] Overrides the shape of the result. If order=’K’ and the number of dimensions is unchanged, will try to keep order, otherwise, order=’C’ is implied.

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray] Array of zeros with the same shape and type as *a*.

**See also:**

[\*\*\*empty\\_like\*\*\*](#)

Return an empty array with shape and type of input.

[\*\*\*ones\\_like\*\*\*](#)

Return an array of ones with shape and type of input.

[\*\*\*full\\_like\*\*\*](#)

Return a new array with shape of input filled with value.

[\*\*\*zeros\*\*\*](#)

Return a new array setting values to zero.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(6)
>>> x = x.reshape((2, 3))
>>> x
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.zeros_like(x)
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y = np.arange(3, dtype=float)
>>> y
array([0., 1., 2.])
>>> np.zeros_like(y)
array([0., 0., 0.])
```

`numpy.full(shape, fill_value, dtype=None, order='C', *, like=None)`

Return a new array of given shape and type, filled with *fill\_value*.

### Parameters

#### shape

[int or sequence of ints] Shape of the new array, e.g., (2, 3) or 2.

#### fill\_value

[scalar or array\_like] Fill value.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional]

**The desired data-type for the array** The default, `None`, means

`np.array(fill_value).dtype`.

#### order

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Whether to store multidimensional data in C- or Fortran-contiguous (row- or column-wise) order in memory.

#### like

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] Array of *fill\_value* with the given shape, `dtype`, and `order`.

**See also:**

**full\_like**

Return a new array with shape of input filled with value.

**empty**

Return a new uninitialized array.

**ones**

Return a new array setting values to one.

**zeros**

Return a new array setting values to zero.

## Examples

```
>>> np.full((2, 2), np.inf)
array([[inf, inf],
       [inf, inf]])
>>> np.full((2, 2), 10)
array([[10, 10],
       [10, 10]])
```

```
>>> np.full((2, 2), [1, 2])
array([[1, 2],
       [1, 2]])
```

`numpy.full_like(a, fill_value, dtype=None, order='K', subok=True, shape=None)`

Return a full array with the same shape and type as a given array.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] The shape and data-type of *a* define these same attributes of the returned array.

**fill\_value**

[array\_like] Fill value.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Overrides the data type of the result.

**order**

[{'C', 'F', 'A', or 'K'}, optional] Overrides the memory layout of the result. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if *a* is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible.

**subok**

[bool, optional.] If True, then the newly created array will use the sub-class type of *a*, otherwise it will be a base-class array. Defaults to True.

**shape**

[int or sequence of ints, optional.] Overrides the shape of the result. If order='K' and the number of dimensions is unchanged, will try to keep order, otherwise, order='C' is implied.

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array of *fill\_value* with the same shape and type as *a*.

**See also:****[empty\\_like](#)**

Return an empty array with shape and type of input.

**[ones\\_like](#)**

Return an array of ones with shape and type of input.

**[zeros\\_like](#)**

Return an array of zeros with shape and type of input.

**[full](#)**

Return a new array of given shape filled with value.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(6, dtype=int)
>>> np.full_like(x, 1)
array([1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1])
>>> np.full_like(x, 0.1)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
>>> np.full_like(x, 0.1, dtype=np.double)
array([0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1])
>>> np.full_like(x, np.nan, dtype=np.double)
array([nan, nan, nan, nan, nan, nan])
```

```
>>> y = np.arange(6, dtype=np.double)
>>> np.full_like(y, 0.1)
array([0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1])
```

```
>>> y = np.zeros([2, 2, 3], dtype=int)
>>> np.full_like(y, [0, 0, 255])
array([[[ 0,  0, 255],
       [ 0,  0, 255]],
      [[ 0,  0, 255],
       [ 0,  0, 255]]])
```

## 5.1.2 From existing data

<code>array(object[, dtype, copy, order, subok, ...])</code>	Create an array.
<code>asarray(a[, dtype, order, like])</code>	Convert the input to an array.
<code>asanyarray(a[, dtype, order, like])</code>	Convert the input to an ndarray, but pass ndarray subclasses through.
<code>ascontiguousarray(a[, dtype, like])</code>	Return a contiguous array ( $\text{ndim} \geq 1$ ) in memory (C order).
<code>asmatrix(data[, dtype])</code>	Interpret the input as a matrix.
<code>copy(a[, order, subok])</code>	Return an array copy of the given object.
<code>frombuffer(buffer[, dtype, count, offset, like])</code>	Interpret a buffer as a 1-dimensional array.
<code>from_dlpac(k(x, l)</code>	Create a NumPy array from an object implementing the <code>__dlpack__</code> protocol.
<code>fromfile(file[, dtype, count, sep, offset, like])</code>	Construct an array from data in a text or binary file.
<code>fromfunction(function, shape, *[, dtype, like])</code>	Construct an array by executing a function over each coordinate.
<code>fromiter(iter, dtype[, count, like])</code>	Create a new 1-dimensional array from an iterable object.
<code>fromstring(string[, dtype, count, like])</code>	A new 1-D array initialized from text data in a string.
<code>loadtxt(fname[, dtype, comments, delimiter, ...])</code>	Load data from a text file.

`numpy.array (object, dtype=None, *, copy=True, order='K', subok=False, ndmin=0, like=None)`

Create an array.

### Parameters

#### object

[array\_like] An array, any object exposing the array interface, an object whose `__array__` method returns an array, or any (nested) sequence. If object is a scalar, a 0-dimensional array containing object is returned.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] The desired data-type for the array. If not given, then the type will be determined as the minimum type required to hold the objects in the sequence.

#### copy

[bool, optional] If true (default), then the object is copied. Otherwise, a copy will only be made if `__array__` returns a copy, if obj is a nested sequence, or if a copy is needed to satisfy any of the other requirements (`dtype`, `order`, etc.).

#### order

[{'K', 'A', 'C', 'F'}, optional] Specify the memory layout of the array. If object is not an array, the newly created array will be in C order (row major) unless 'F' is specified, in which case it will be in Fortran order (column major). If object is an array the following holds.

order	no copy	copy=True
'K'	unchanged	F & C order preserved, otherwise most similar order
'A'	unchanged	F order if input is F and not C, otherwise C order
'C'	C order	C order
'F'	F order	F order

When `copy=False` and a copy is made for other reasons, the result is the same as if `copy=True`, with some exceptions for 'A', see the Notes section. The default order is 'K'.

**subok**

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through, otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array (default).

**ndmin**

[int, optional] Specifies the minimum number of dimensions that the resulting array should have. Ones will be prepended to the shape as needed to meet this requirement.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as like supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] An array object satisfying the specified requirements.

**See also:**[\*\*`empty\_like`\*\*](#)

Return an empty array with shape and type of input.

[\*\*`ones\_like`\*\*](#)

Return an array of ones with shape and type of input.

[\*\*`zeros\_like`\*\*](#)

Return an array of zeros with shape and type of input.

[\*\*`full\_like`\*\*](#)

Return a new array with shape of input filled with value.

[\*\*`empty`\*\*](#)

Return a new uninitialized array.

[\*\*`ones`\*\*](#)

Return a new array setting values to one.

[\*\*`zeros`\*\*](#)

Return a new array setting values to zero.

[\*\*`full`\*\*](#)

Return a new array of given shape filled with value.

## Notes

When order is ‘A’ and `object` is an array in neither ‘C’ nor ‘F’ order, and a copy is forced by a change in `dtype`, then the order of the result is not necessarily ‘C’ as expected. This is likely a bug.

## Examples

```
>>> np.array([1, 2, 3])
array([1, 2, 3])
```

Upcasting:

```
>>> np.array([1, 2, 3.0])
array([ 1.,  2.,  3.])
```

More than one dimension:

```
>>> np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

Minimum dimensions 2:

```
>>> np.array([1, 2, 3], ndmin=2)
array([[1, 2, 3]])
```

Type provided:

```
>>> np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=complex)
array([ 1.+0.j,  2.+0.j,  3.+0.j])
```

Data-type consisting of more than one element:

```
>>> x = np.array([(1,2), (3,4)], dtype=[('a', '<i4'), ('b', '<i4')])
>>> x['a']
array([1, 3])
```

Creating an array from sub-classes:

```
>>> np.array(np.mat('1 2; 3 4'))
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

```
>>> np.array(np.mat('1 2; 3 4'), subok=True)
matrix([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

`numpy.asarray(a, dtype=None, order=None, *, like=None)`

Convert the input to an array.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input data, in any form that can be converted to an array. This includes lists, lists of tuples, tuples, tuples of tuples, tuples of lists and ndarrays.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] By default, the data-type is inferred from the input data.

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, ‘K’}, optional] Memory layout. ‘A’ and ‘K’ depend on the order of input array *a*. ‘C’ row-major (C-style), ‘F’ column-major (Fortran-style) memory representation. ‘A’ (any) means ‘F’ if *a* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise ‘K’ (keep) preserve input order Defaults to ‘K’.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array interpretation of *a*. No copy is performed if the input is already an ndarray with matching `dtype` and `order`. If *a* is a subclass of ndarray, a base class ndarray is returned.

**See also:****`asanyarray`**

Similar function which passes through subclasses.

**`ascontiguousarray`**

Convert input to a contiguous array.

**`asfarray`**

Convert input to a floating point ndarray.

**`asfortranarray`**

Convert input to an ndarray with column-major memory order.

**`asarray_chkfinite`**

Similar function which checks input for NaNs and Infs.

**`fromiter`**

Create an array from an iterator.

**`fromfunction`**

Construct an array by executing a function on grid positions.

## Examples

Convert a list into an array:

```
>>> a = [1, 2]
>>> np.asarray(a)
array([1, 2])
```

Existing arrays are not copied:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2])
>>> np.asarray(a) is a
True
```

If `dtype` is set, array is copied only if dtype does not match:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2], dtype=np.float32)
>>> np.asarray(a, dtype=np.float32) is a
True
>>> np.asarray(a, dtype=np.float64) is a
False
```

Contrary to `asanyarray`, ndarray subclasses are not passed through:

```
>>> issubclass(np.recarray, np.ndarray)
True
>>> a = np.array([(1.0, 2), (3.0, 4)], dtype='f4,i4').view(np.recarray)
>>> np.asarray(a) is a
False
>>> np.asanyarray(a) is a
True
```

`numpy.asanyarray(a, dtype=None, order=None, *, like=None)`

Convert the input to an ndarray, but pass ndarray subclasses through.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input data, in any form that can be converted to an array. This includes scalars, lists, lists of tuples, tuples, tuples of tuples, tuples of lists, and ndarrays.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] By default, the data-type is inferred from the input data.

#### order

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, ‘K’}, optional] Memory layout. ‘A’ and ‘K’ depend on the order of input array `a`. ‘C’ row-major (C-style), ‘F’ column-major (Fortran-style) memory representation. ‘A’ (any) means ‘F’ if `a` is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise ‘K’ (keep) preserve input order Defaults to ‘C’.

#### like

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or an ndarray subclass] Array interpretation of *a*. If *a* is an ndarray or a subclass of ndarray, it is returned as-is and no copy is performed.

**See also:**

**[asarray](#)**

Similar function which always returns ndarrays.

**[ascontiguousarray](#)**

Convert input to a contiguous array.

**[asfarray](#)**

Convert input to a floating point ndarray.

**[asfortranarray](#)**

Convert input to an ndarray with column-major memory order.

**[asarray\\_chkfinite](#)**

Similar function which checks input for NaNs and Infs.

**[fromiter](#)**

Create an array from an iterator.

**[fromfunction](#)**

Construct an array by executing a function on grid positions.

## Examples

Convert a list into an array:

```
>>> a = [1, 2]
>>> np.asarray(a)
array([1, 2])
```

Instances of `ndarray` subclasses are passed through as-is:

```
>>> a = np.array([(1.0, 2), (3.0, 4)], dtype='f4,i4').view(np.recarray)
>>> np.asarray(a) is a
True
```

`numpy.asarray(a, dtype=None, *, like=None)`

Return a contiguous array (ndim >= 1) in memory (C order).

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**dtype**

[str or dtype object, optional] Data-type of returned array.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Contiguous array of same shape and content as `a`, with type `dtype` if specified.

**See also:**

**`asfortranarray`**

Convert input to an ndarray with column-major memory order.

**`require`**

Return an ndarray that satisfies requirements.

**`ndarray.flags`**

Information about the memory layout of the array.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
>>> np.ascontiguousarray(x, dtype=np.float32)
array([[0., 1., 2.],
       [3., 4., 5.]], dtype=float32)
>>> x.flags['C_CONTIGUOUS']
True
```

Note: This function returns an array with at least one-dimension (1-d) so it will not preserve 0-d arrays.

`numpy.copy(a, order='K', subok=False)`

Return an array copy of the given object.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input data.

**order**

{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the copy. 'C' means C-order, 'F' means F-order, 'A' means 'F' if `a` is Fortran contiguous, 'C' otherwise. 'K' means match the layout of `a` as closely as possible. (Note that this function and `ndarray.copy` are very similar, but have different default values for their `order=` arguments.)

**subok**

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through, otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array (defaults to False).

New in version 1.19.0.

## Returns

### arr

[ndarray] Array interpretation of *a*.

**See also:**

### `ndarray.copy`

Preferred method for creating an array copy

## Notes

This is equivalent to:

```
>>> np.array(a, copy=True)
```

## Examples

Create an array x, with a reference y and a copy z:

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> y = x
>>> z = np.copy(x)
```

Note that, when we modify x, y changes, but not z:

```
>>> x[0] = 10
>>> x[0] == y[0]
True
>>> x[0] == z[0]
False
```

Note that, np.copy clears previously set WRITEABLE=False flag.

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> a.flags["WRITEABLE"] = False
>>> b = np.copy(a)
>>> b.flags["WRITEABLE"]
True
>>> b[0] = 3
>>> b
array([3, 2, 3])
```

Note that np.copy is a shallow copy and will not copy object elements within arrays. This is mainly important for arrays containing Python objects. The new array will contain the same object which may lead to surprises if that object can be modified (is mutable):

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 'm', [2, 3, 4]], dtype=object)
>>> b = np.copy(a)
>>> b[2][0] = 10
>>> a
array([1, 'm', list([10, 3, 4])], dtype=object)
```

To ensure all elements within an object array are copied, use `copy.deepcopy`:

```
>>> import copy
>>> a = np.array([1, 'm', [2, 3, 4]], dtype=object)
>>> c = copy.deepcopy(a)
>>> c[2][0] = 10
>>> c
array([1, 'm', list([10, 3, 4])], dtype=object)
>>> a
array([1, 'm', list([2, 3, 4])], dtype=object)
```

`numpy.frombuffer(buffer, dtype=float, count=-1, offset=0, *, like=None)`

Interpret a buffer as a 1-dimensional array.

### Parameters

#### buffer

[buffer\_like] An object that exposes the buffer interface.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the returned array; default: float.

#### count

[int, optional] Number of items to read. -1 means all data in the buffer.

#### offset

[int, optional] Start reading the buffer from this offset (in bytes); default: 0.

#### like

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray]

### Notes

If the buffer has data that is not in machine byte-order, this should be specified as part of the data-type, e.g.:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype(int)
>>> dt = dt.newbyteorder('>')
>>> np.frombuffer(buf, dtype=dt)
```

The data of the resulting array will not be byteswapped, but will be interpreted correctly.

This function creates a view into the original object. This should be safe in general, but it may make sense to copy the result when the original object is mutable or untrusted.

## Examples

```
>>> s = b'hello world'
>>> np.frombuffer(s, dtype='S1', count=5, offset=6)
array([b'w', b'o', b'r', b'l', b'd'], dtype='|S1')
```

```
>>> np.frombuffer(b'\x01\x02', dtype=np.uint8)
array([1, 2], dtype=uint8)
>>> np.frombuffer(b'\x01\x02\x03\x04\x05', dtype=np.uint8, count=3)
array([1, 2, 3], dtype=uint8)
```

`numpy.from_dlpac(x, /)`

Create a NumPy array from an object implementing the `__dlpack__` protocol. Generally, the returned NumPy array is a read-only view of the input object. See [1] and [2] for more details.

### Parameters

`x`

[object] A Python object that implements the `__dlpack__` and `__dlpack_device__` methods.

### Returns

`out`

[ndarray]

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> import torch
>>> x = torch.arange(10)
>>> # create a view of the torch tensor "x" in NumPy
>>> y = np.from_dlpac(x)
```

`numpy.fromfile(file, dtype=float, count=-1, sep='', offset=0, *, like=None)`

Construct an array from data in a text or binary file.

A highly efficient way of reading binary data with a known data-type, as well as parsing simply formatted text files. Data written using the `tofile` method can be read using this function.

### Parameters

`file`

[file or str or Path] Open file object or filename.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

**dtype**

[data-type] Data type of the returned array. For binary files, it is used to determine the size and byte-order of the items in the file. Most builtin numeric types are supported and extension types may be supported.

New in version 1.18.0: Complex dtypes.

**count**

[int] Number of items to read. -1 means all items (i.e., the complete file).

**sep**

[str] Separator between items if file is a text file. Empty ("") separator means the file should be treated as binary. Spaces (" ") in the separator match zero or more whitespace characters. A separator consisting only of spaces must match at least one whitespace.

**offset**

[int] The offset (in bytes) from the file's current position. Defaults to 0. Only permitted for binary files.

New in version 1.17.0.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**See also:**

[`load`, `save`](#)

[`ndarray.tofile`](#)

[`loadtxt`](#)

More flexible way of loading data from a text file.

**Notes**

Do not rely on the combination of `tofile` and `fromfile` for data storage, as the binary files generated are not platform independent. In particular, no byte-order or data-type information is saved. Data can be stored in the platform independent .npy format using `save` and `load` instead.

## Examples

Construct an ndarray:

```
>>> dt = np.dtype([('time', [('min', np.int64), ('sec', np.int64)]),
...                  ('temp', float)])
>>> x = np.zeros(1, dtype=dt)
>>> x['time']['min'] = 10; x['temp'] = 98.25
>>> x
array([(10, 0), 98.25)],
      dtype=[('time', [('min', '<i8'), ('sec', '<i8')]), ('temp', '<f8')])
```

Save the raw data to disk:

```
>>> import tempfile
>>> fname = tempfile.mkstemp()[1]
>>> x.tofile(fname)
```

Read the raw data from disk:

```
>>> np.fromfile(fname, dtype=dt)
array([(10, 0), 98.25]),
      dtype=[('time', [('min', '<i8'), ('sec', '<i8')]), ('temp', '<f8')])
```

The recommended way to store and load data:

```
>>> np.save(fname, x)
>>> np.load(fname + '.npy')
array([(10, 0), 98.25]),
      dtype=[('time', [('min', '<i8'), ('sec', '<i8')]), ('temp', '<f8')])
```

`numpy.fromfunction(function, shape, *, dtype=<class 'float'>, like=None, **kwargs)`

Construct an array by executing a function over each coordinate.

The resulting array therefore has a value `fn(x, y, z)` at coordinate `(x, y, z)`.

### Parameters

#### function

[callable] The function is called with N parameters, where N is the rank of `shape`. Each parameter represents the coordinates of the array varying along a specific axis. For example, if `shape` were `(2, 2)`, then the parameters would be `array([[0, 0], [1, 1]])` and `array([[0, 1], [0, 1]])`

#### shape

[(N,) tuple of ints] Shape of the output array, which also determines the shape of the coordinate arrays passed to `function`.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the coordinate arrays passed to `function`. By default, `dtype` is float.

#### like

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol,

the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

## Returns

### fromfunction

[any] The result of the call to *function* is passed back directly. Therefore the shape of *fromfunction* is completely determined by *function*. If *function* returns a scalar value, the shape of *fromfunction* would not match the *shape* parameter.

## See also:

[\*indices\*](#), [\*meshgrid\*](#)

## Notes

Keywords other than *dtype* are passed to *function*.

## Examples

```
>>> np.fromfunction(lambda i, j: i, (2, 2), dtype=float)
array([[0., 0.],
       [1., 1.]])
```

```
>>> np.fromfunction(lambda i, j: j, (2, 2), dtype=float)
array([[0., 1.],
       [0., 1.]])
```

```
>>> np.fromfunction(lambda i, j: i == j, (3, 3), dtype=int)
array([[ True, False, False],
       [False,  True, False],
       [False, False,  True]])
```

```
>>> np.fromfunction(lambda i, j: i + j, (3, 3), dtype=int)
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [1, 2, 3],
       [2, 3, 4]])
```

`numpy.fromiter(iter, dtype, count=-1, *, like=None)`

Create a new 1-dimensional array from an iterable object.

## Parameters

### iter

[iterable object] An iterable object providing data for the array.

### dtype

[data-type] The data-type of the returned array.

Changed in version 1.23: Object and subarray dtypes are now supported (note that the final result is not 1-D for a subarray dtype).

**count**

[int, optional] The number of items to read from *iterable*. The default is -1, which means all data is read.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as *like* supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The output array.

**Notes**

Specify *count* to improve performance. It allows `fromiter` to pre-allocate the output array, instead of resizing it on demand.

**Examples**

```
>>> iterable = (x*x for x in range(5))
>>> np.fromiter(iterable, float)
array([ 0.,  1.,  4.,  9.,  16.])
```

A carefully constructed subarray dtype will lead to higher dimensional results:

```
>>> iterable = ((x+1, x+2) for x in range(5))
>>> np.fromiter(iterable, dtype=np.dtype((int, 2)))
array([[1, 2],
       [2, 3],
       [3, 4],
       [4, 5],
       [5, 6]])
```

`numpy.fromstring(string, dtype=float, count=-1, *, sep, like=None)`

A new 1-D array initialized from text data in a string.

**Parameters****string**

[str] A string containing the data.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] The data type of the array; default: float. For binary input data, the data must be in exactly this format. Most builtin numeric types are supported and extension types may be supported.

New in version 1.18.0: Complex dtypes.

**count**

[int, optional] Read this number of `dtype` elements from the data. If this is negative (the default), the count will be determined from the length of the data.

**sep**

[str, optional] The string separating numbers in the data; extra whitespace between elements is also ignored.

Deprecated since version 1.14: Passing `sep=' '`, the default, is deprecated since it will trigger the deprecated binary mode of this function. This mode interprets `string` as binary bytes, rather than ASCII text with decimal numbers, an operation which is better spelt `frombuffer(string, dtype, count)`. If `string` contains unicode text, the binary mode of `fromstring` will first encode it into bytes using either utf-8 (python 3) or the default encoding (python 2), neither of which produce sane results.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****arr**

[ndarray] The constructed array.

**Raises****ValueError**

If the string is not the correct size to satisfy the requested `dtype` and `count`.

**See also:**

`frombuffer`, `fromfile`, `fromiter`

**Examples**

```
>>> np.fromstring('1 2', dtype=int, sep=' ')
array([1, 2])
>>> np.fromstring('1, 2', dtype=int, sep=', ')
array([1, 2])
```

```
numpy.loadtxt(fname, dtype=<class 'float'>, comments='#', delimiter=None, converters=None, skiprows=0,
usecols=None, unpack=False, ndmin=0, encoding='bytes', max_rows=None, *, quotechar=None,
like=None)
```

Load data from a text file.

Each row in the text file must have the same number of values.

**Parameters**

**fname**

[file, str, pathlib.Path, list of str, generator] File, filename, list, or generator to read. If the filename extension is `.gz` or `.bz2`, the file is first decompressed. Note that generators must return bytes or strings. The strings in a list or produced by a generator are treated as lines.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the resulting array; default: float. If this is a structured data-type, the resulting array will be 1-dimensional, and each row will be interpreted as an element of the array. In this case, the number of columns used must match the number of fields in the data-type.

**comments**

[str or sequence of str or None, optional] The characters or list of characters used to indicate the start of a comment. None implies no comments. For backwards compatibility, byte strings will be decoded as ‘latin1’. The default is '#’.

**delimiter**

[str, optional] The string used to separate values. For backwards compatibility, byte strings will be decoded as ‘latin1’. The default is whitespace.

**converters**

[dict or callable, optional] A function to parse all columns strings into the desired value, or a dictionary mapping column number to a parser function. E.g. if column 0 is a date string: `converters = {0: datestr2num}`. Converters can also be used to provide a default value for missing data, e.g. `converters = lambda s: float(s.strip() or 0)` will convert empty fields to 0. Default: None.

**skiprows**

[int, optional] Skip the first `skiprows` lines, including comments; default: 0.

**usecols**

[int or sequence, optional] Which columns to read, with 0 being the first. For example, `usecols = (1, 4, 5)` will extract the 2nd, 5th and 6th columns. The default, None, results in all columns being read.

Changed in version 1.11.0: When a single column has to be read it is possible to use an integer instead of a tuple. E.g `usecols = 3` reads the fourth column the same way as `usecols = (3, )` would.

**unpack**

[bool, optional] If True, the returned array is transposed, so that arguments may be unpacked using `x, y, z = loadtxt(...)`. When used with a structured data-type, arrays are returned for each field. Default is False.

**ndmin**

[int, optional] The returned array will have at least `ndmin` dimensions. Otherwise monodimensional axes will be squeezed. Legal values: 0 (default), 1 or 2.

New in version 1.6.0.

**encoding**

[str, optional] Encoding used to decode the inputfile. Does not apply to input streams. The special value ‘bytes’ enables backward compatibility workarounds that ensures you receive byte arrays as results if possible and passes ‘latin1’ encoded strings to converters. Override this value

to receive unicode arrays and pass strings as input to converters. If set to None the system default is used. The default value is ‘bytes’.

New in version 1.14.0.

#### **max\_rows**

[int, optional] Read *max\_rows* lines of content after *skiprows* lines. The default is to read all the lines.

New in version 1.16.0.

#### **quotechar**

[unicode character or None, optional] The character used to denote the start and end of a quoted item. Occurrences of the delimiter or comment characters are ignored within a quoted item. The default value is quotechar=None, which means quoting support is disabled.

If two consecutive instances of *quotechar* are found within a quoted field, the first is treated as an escape character. See examples.

New in version 1.23.0.

#### **like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as *like* supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

#### **Returns**

##### **out**

[ndarray] Data read from the text file.

#### **See also:**

[`load`, `fromstring`, `fromregex`](#)

[`genfromtxt`](#)

Load data with missing values handled as specified.

[`scipy.io.loadmat`](#)

reads MATLAB data files

#### **Notes**

This function aims to be a fast reader for simply formatted files. The [`genfromtxt`](#) function provides more sophisticated handling of, e.g., lines with missing values.

New in version 1.10.0.

The strings produced by the Python float.hex method can be used as input for floats.

## Examples

```
>>> from io import StringIO    # StringIO behaves like a file object
>>> c = StringIO("0 1\n2 3")
>>> np.loadtxt(c)
array([[0., 1.],
       [2., 3.]])
```

```
>>> d = StringIO("M 21 72\nF 35 58")
>>> np.loadtxt(d, dtype={'names': ('gender', 'age', 'weight'),
...                      'formats': ('S1', 'i4', 'f4')})
array([(b'M', 21, 72.), (b'F', 35, 58.)],
      dtype=[('gender', 'S1'), ('age', '<i4'), ('weight', '<f4')])
```

```
>>> c = StringIO("1,0,2\n3,0,4")
>>> x, y = np.loadtxt(c, delimiter=',', usecols=(0, 2), unpack=True)
>>> x
array([1., 3.])
>>> y
array([2., 4.])
```

The *converters* argument is used to specify functions to preprocess the text prior to parsing. *converters* can be a dictionary that maps preprocessing functions to each column:

```
>>> s = StringIO("1.618, 2.296\n3.141, 4.669\n")
>>> conv = {
...     0: lambda x: np.floor(float(x)),    # conversion fn for column 0
...     1: lambda x: np.ceil(float(x)),     # conversion fn for column 1
... }
>>> np.loadtxt(s, delimiter=",", converters=conv)
array([[1., 3.],
       [3., 5.]])
```

*converters* can be a callable instead of a dictionary, in which case it is applied to all columns:

```
>>> s = StringIO("0xDE 0xAD\n0xC0 0xDE")
>>> import functools
>>> conv = functools.partial(int, base=16)
>>> np.loadtxt(s, converters=conv)
array([[222., 173.],
       [192., 222.]])
```

This example shows how *converters* can be used to convert a field with a trailing minus sign into a negative number.

```
>>> s = StringIO('10.01 31.25-\n19.22 64.31\n17.57- 63.94')
>>> def conv(fld):
...     return -float(fld[:-1]) if fld.endswith(b'-') else float(fld)
...
>>> np.loadtxt(s, converters=conv)
array([[ 10.01, -31.25],
       [ 19.22,  64.31],
       [-17.57,  63.94]])
```

Using a callable as the converter can be particularly useful for handling values with different formatting, e.g. floats with underscores:

```
>>> s = StringIO("1 2.7 100_000")
>>> np.loadtxt(s, converters=float)
array([1.e+00, 2.7e+00, 1.e+05])
```

This idea can be extended to automatically handle values specified in many different formats:

```
>>> def conv(val):
...     try:
...         return float(val)
...     except ValueError:
...         return float.fromhex(val)
>>> s = StringIO("1, 2.5, 3_000, 0b4, 0x1.40000000000000p+2")
>>> np.loadtxt(s, delimiter=",", converters=conv, encoding=None)
array([1.0e+00, 2.5e+00, 3.0e+03, 1.8e+02, 5.0e+00])
```

Note that with the default `encoding="bytes"`, the inputs to the converter function are latin-1 encoded byte strings. To deactivate the implicit encoding prior to conversion, use `encoding=None`

```
>>> s = StringIO('10.01 31.25-\n19.22 64.31\n17.57- 63.94')
>>> conv = lambda x: -float(x[:-1]) if x.endswith('-') else float(x)
>>> np.loadtxt(s, converters=conv, encoding=None)
array([[ 10.01, -31.25],
       [ 19.22,  64.31],
       [-17.57,  63.94]])
```

Support for quoted fields is enabled with the `quotechar` parameter. Comment and delimiter characters are ignored when they appear within a quoted item delineated by `quotechar`:

```
>>> s = StringIO('"alpha, #42", 10.0\n"beta, #64", 2.0\n')
>>> dtype = np.dtype([('label', "U12"), ("value", float)])
>>> np.loadtxt(s, dtype=dtype, delimiter=",", quotechar='\'')
array([('alpha, #42', 10.), ('beta, #64', 2.)],
      dtype=[('label', '<U12'), ('value', '<f8')])
```

Two consecutive quote characters within a quoted field are treated as a single escaped character:

```
>>> s = StringIO('Hello, my name is ""Monty""!')
>>> np.loadtxt(s, dtype="U", delimiter=",", quotechar='\'')
array('Hello, my name is "Monty"!', dtype='<U26')
```

### 5.1.3 Creating record arrays (`numpy.rec`)

**Note:** `numpy.rec` is the preferred alias for `numpy.core.records`.

<code>core.records.array(obj[, dtype, shape, ...])</code>	Construct a record array from a wide-variety of objects.
<code>core.records.fromarrays(arrayList[, ..., dtype, ...])</code>	Create a record array from a (flat) list of arrays
<code>core.records.fromrecords(recList[, ..., dtype, ...])</code>	Create a recarray from a list of records in text form.
<code>core.records.fromstring(datastring[, ..., dtype, ...])</code>	Create a record array from binary data
<code>core.records.fromfile(fd[, dtype, shape, ...])</code>	Create an array from binary file data

```
core.records.array(obj, dtype=None, shape=None, offset=0, strides=None, formats=None, names=None,
titles=None, aligned=False, byteorder=None, copy=True)
```

Construct a record array from a wide-variety of objects.

A general-purpose record array constructor that dispatches to the appropriate `recarray` creation function based on the inputs (see Notes).

### Parameters

#### obj

[any] Input object. See Notes for details on how various input types are treated.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Valid dtype for array.

#### shape

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Shape of each array.

#### offset

[int, optional] Position in the file or buffer to start reading from.

#### strides

[tuple of ints, optional] Buffer (*buf*) is interpreted according to these strides (strides define how many bytes each array element, row, column, etc. occupy in memory).

#### formats, names, titles, aligned, byteorder

If `dtype` is None, these arguments are passed to `numpy.format_parser` to construct a dtype. See that function for detailed documentation.

#### copy

[bool, optional] Whether to copy the input object (True), or to use a reference instead. This option only applies when the input is an ndarray or recarray. Defaults to True.

### Returns

#### np.recarray

Record array created from the specified object.

### Notes

If *obj* is None, then call the `recarray` constructor. If *obj* is a string, then call the `fromstring` constructor. If *obj* is a list or a tuple, then if the first object is an `ndarray`, call `fromarrays`, otherwise call `fromrecords`. If *obj* is a `recarray`, then make a copy of the data in the recarray (if `copy=True`) and use the new formats, names, and titles. If *obj* is a file, then call `fromfile`. Finally, if *obj* is an `ndarray`, then return *obj*.`view(recarray)`, making a copy of the data if `copy=True`.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6],
       [7, 8, 9]])
```

```
>>> np.core.records.array(a)
rec.array([[1, 2, 3],
           [4, 5, 6],
           [7, 8, 9]],
          dtype=int32)
```

```
>>> b = [(1, 1), (2, 4), (3, 9)]
>>> c = np.core.records.array(b, formats = ['i2', 'f2'], names = ('x', 'y'))
>>> c
rec.array([(1, 1.0), (2, 4.0), (3, 9.0)],
          dtype=[('x', '<i2'), ('y', '<f2')])
```

```
>>> c.x
rec.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=int16)
```

```
>>> c.y
rec.array([ 1.0,  4.0,  9.0], dtype=float16)
```

```
>>> r = np.rec.array(['abc','def'], names=['col1','col2'])
>>> print(r.col1)
abc
```

```
>>> r.col1
array('abc', dtype='<U3')
```

```
>>> r.col2
array('def', dtype='<U3')
```

`core.records.fromarrays(arrayList, dtype=None, shape=None, formats=None, names=None, titles=None, aligned=False, byteorder=None)`

Create a record array from a (flat) list of arrays

### Parameters

#### arrayList

[list or tuple] List of array-like objects (such as lists, tuples, and ndarrays).

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] valid dtype for all arrays

#### shape

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Shape of the resulting array. If not provided, inferred from `arrayList[0]`.

#### formats, names, titles, aligned, byteorder

If `dtype` is None, these arguments are passed to `numpy.format_parser` to construct a dtype. See that function for detailed documentation.

**Returns****np.recarray**

Record array consisting of given arrayList columns.

**Examples**

```
>>> x1=np.array([1,2,3,4])
>>> x2=np.array(['a','dd','xyz','12'])
>>> x3=np.array([1.1,2,3,4])
>>> r = np.core.records.fromarrays([x1,x2,x3],names='a,b,c')
>>> print(r[1])
(2, 'dd', 2.0) # may vary
>>> x1[1]=34
>>> r.a
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
```

```
>>> x1 = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> x2 = np.array(['a', 'dd', 'xyz', '12'])
>>> x3 = np.array([1.1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> r = np.core.records.fromarrays(
...     [x1, x2, x3],
...     dtype=np.dtype([('a', np.int32), ('b', 'S3'), ('c', np.float32)]))
>>> r
rec.array([(1, b'a', 1.1), (2, b'dd', 2. ), (3, b'xyz', 3. ),
           (4, b'12', 4. )],
          dtype=[('a', '<i4'), ('b', 'S3'), ('c', '<f4')])
```

`core.records.fromrecords`(*recList*, *dtype=None*, *shape=None*, *formats=None*, *names=None*, *titles=None*, *aligned=False*, *byteorder=None*)

Create a recarray from a list of records in text form.

**Parameters****recList**

[sequence] data in the same field may be heterogeneous - they will be promoted to the highest data type.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] valid dtype for all arrays

**shape**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] shape of each array.

**formats, names, titles, aligned, byteorder**

If *dtype* is None, these arguments are passed to `numpy.format_parser` to construct a dtype. See that function for detailed documentation.

If both *formats* and *dtype* are None, then this will auto-detect formats. Use list of tuples rather than list of lists for faster processing.

**Returns**

**np.recarray**

record array consisting of given recList rows.

**Examples**

```
>>> r=np.core.records.fromrecords([(456, 'dbe', 1.2), (2, 'de', 1.3)],
...     names='col1,col2,col3')
>>> print(r[0])
(456, 'dbe', 1.2)
>>> r.col1
array([456, 2])
>>> r.col2
array(['dbe', 'de'], dtype='|<U3')
>>> import pickle
>>> pickle.loads(pickle.dumps(r))
rec.array([(456, 'dbe', 1.2), (2, 'de', 1.3)],
      dtype=[('col1', '|<i8'), ('col2', '|<U3'), ('col3', '|<f8')])
```

`core.records.fromstring(datastring, dtype=None, shape=None, offset=0, formats=None, names=None, titles=None, aligned=False, byteorder=None)`

Create a record array from binary data

Note that despite the name of this function it does not accept `str` instances.

**Parameters****datastring**

[bytes-like] Buffer of binary data

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Valid dtype for all arrays

**shape**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Shape of each array.

**offset**

[int, optional] Position in the buffer to start reading from.

**formats, names, titles, aligned, byteorder**

If `dtype` is None, these arguments are passed to `numpy.format_parser` to construct a dtype. See that function for detailed documentation.

**Returns****np.recarray**

Record array view into the data in datastring. This will be readonly if `datastring` is readonly.

**See also:**

`numpy.frombuffer`

## Examples

```
>>> a = b'\x01\x02\x03abc'
>>> np.core.records.fromstring(a, dtype='u1,u1,u1,S3')
rec.array([(1, 2, 3, b'abc')], dtype=[('f0', 'u1'), ('f1', 'u1'), ('f2', 'u1'), ('f3', 'S3')])
```

```
>>> grades_dtype = [('Name', (np.str_, 10)), ('Marks', np.float64),
...                   ('GradeLevel', np.int32)]
>>> grades_array = np.array([('Sam', 33.3, 3), ('Mike', 44.4, 5),
...                           ('Aadi', 66.6, 6)], dtype=grades_dtype)
>>> np.core.records.fromstring(grades_array.tobytes(), dtype=grades_dtype)
rec.array([('Sam', 33.3, 3), ('Mike', 44.4, 5), ('Aadi', 66.6, 6)],
          dtype=[('Name', '<U10'), ('Marks', '<f8'), ('GradeLevel', 'i4')])
```

```
>>> s = '\x01\x02\x03abc'
>>> np.core.records.fromstring(s, dtype='u1,u1,u1,S3')
Traceback (most recent call last)
...
TypeError: a bytes-like object is required, not 'str'
```

`core.records.fromfile(fd, dtype=None, shape=None, offset=0, formats=None, names=None, titles=None, aligned=False, byteorder=None)`

Create an array from binary file data

### Parameters

#### fd

[str or file type] If file is a string or a path-like object then that file is opened, else it is assumed to be a file object. The file object must support random access (i.e. it must have tell and seek methods).

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] valid dtype for all arrays

#### shape

[int or tuple of ints, optional] shape of each array.

#### offset

[int, optional] Position in the file to start reading from.

#### formats, names, titles, aligned, byteorder

If `dtype` is None, these arguments are passed to `numpy.format_parser` to construct a dtype. See that function for detailed documentation

### Returns

#### np.recarray

record array consisting of data enclosed in file.

## Examples

```
>>> from tempfile import TemporaryFile
>>> a = np.empty(10, dtype='f8,i4,a5')
>>> a[5] = (0.5, 10, 'abcde')
>>>
>>> fd=TemporaryFile()
>>> a = a.newbyteorder('<')
>>> a.tofile(fd)
>>>
>>> _ = fd.seek(0)
>>> r=np.core.records.fromfile(fd, formats='f8,i4,a5', shape=10,
... byteorder='<')
>>> print(r[5])
(0.5, 10, 'abcde')
>>> r.shape
(10,)
```

### 5.1.4 Creating character arrays (`numpy.char`)

**Note:** `numpy.char` is the preferred alias for `numpy.core.defchararray`.

<code>core.defchararray.array(obj[, itemsize, ...])</code>	Create a <code>chararray</code> .
<code>core.defchararray.asarray(obj[, itemsize, ...])</code>	Convert the input to a <code>chararray</code> , copying the data only if necessary.

`core.defchararray.asarray(obj, itemsize=None, unicode=None, order=None)`

Convert the input to a `chararray`, copying the data only if necessary.

Versus a regular NumPy array of type `str` or `unicode`, this class adds the following functionality:

- 1) values automatically have whitespace removed from the end when indexed
- 2) comparison operators automatically remove whitespace from the end when comparing values
- 3) vectorized string operations are provided as methods (e.g. `str.endswith`) and infix operators (e.g. `+`, `*`, `%"%`)

#### Parameters

##### `obj`

[array of `str` or `unicode`-like]

##### `itemsize`

[int, optional] `itemsize` is the number of characters per scalar in the resulting array. If `itemsize` is `None`, and `obj` is an object array or a Python list, the `itemsize` will be automatically determined. If `itemsize` is provided and `obj` is of type `str` or `unicode`, then the `obj` string will be chunked into `itemsize` pieces.

##### `unicode`

[bool, optional] When true, the resulting `chararray` can contain `Unicode` characters, when false only 8-bit characters. If `unicode` is `None` and `obj` is one of the following:

- a `chararray`,
  - an ndarray of type `str` or ‘unicode’
  - a Python str or unicode object,
- then the unicode setting of the output array will be automatically determined.

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’}, optional] Specify the order of the array. If order is ‘C’ (default), then the array will be in C-contiguous order (last-index varies the fastest). If order is ‘F’, then the returned array will be in Fortran-contiguous order (first-index varies the fastest).

## 5.1.5 Numerical ranges

<code>arange([start,] stop[, step,][, dtype, like])</code>	Return evenly spaced values within a given interval.
<code>linspace(start, stop[, num, endpoint, ...])</code>	Return evenly spaced numbers over a specified interval.
<code>logspace(start, stop[, num, endpoint, base, ...])</code>	Return numbers spaced evenly on a log scale.
<code>geomspace(start, stop[, num, endpoint, ...])</code>	Return numbers spaced evenly on a log scale (a geometric progression).
<code>meshgrid(*xi[, copy, sparse, indexing])</code>	Return coordinate matrices from coordinate vectors.
<code>mgrid</code>	<code>nd_grid</code> instance which returns a dense multi-dimensional “meshgrid”.
<code>ogrid</code>	<code>nd_grid</code> instance which returns an open multi-dimensional “meshgrid”.

`numpy.arange([start,] stop[, step], dtype=None, *, like=None)`

Return evenly spaced values within a given interval.

`arange` can be called with a varying number of positional arguments:

- `arange(stop)`: Values are generated within the half-open interval  $[0, \text{stop})$  (in other words, the interval including `start` but excluding `stop`).
- `arange(start, stop)`: Values are generated within the half-open interval  $[\text{start}, \text{stop})$ .
- `arange(start, stop, step)`: Values are generated within the half-open interval  $[\text{start}, \text{stop})$ , with spacing between values given by `step`.

For integer arguments the function is roughly equivalent to the Python built-in `range`, but returns an ndarray rather than a `range` instance.

When using a non-integer step, such as 0.1, it is often better to use `numpy.linspace`.

See the Warning sections below for more information.

**Parameters****start**

[integer or real, optional] Start of interval. The interval includes this value. The default start value is 0.

**stop**

[integer or real] End of interval. The interval does not include this value, except in some cases where `step` is not an integer and floating point round-off affects the length of `out`.

**step**

[integer or real, optional] Spacing between values. For any output *out*, this is the distance between two adjacent values,  $\text{out}[i+1] - \text{out}[i]$ . The default step size is 1. If *step* is specified as a position argument, *start* must also be given.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] The type of the output array. If *dtype* is not given, infer the data type from the other input arguments.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as *like* supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****arange**

[ndarray] Array of evenly spaced values.

For floating point arguments, the length of the result is `ceil((stop - start)/step)`. Because of floating point overflow, this rule may result in the last element of *out* being greater than *stop*.

**Warning:** The length of the output might not be numerically stable.

Another stability issue is due to the internal implementation of `numpy.arange`. The actual step value used to populate the array is `dtype(start + step) - dtype(start)` and not *step*. Precision loss can occur here, due to casting or due to using floating points when *start* is much larger than *step*. This can lead to unexpected behaviour. For example:

```
>>> np.arange(0, 5, 0.5, dtype=int)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
>>> np.arange(-3, 3, 0.5, dtype=int)
array([-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8])
```

In such cases, the use of `numpy.linspace` should be preferred.

The built-in `range` generates Python built-in integers that have arbitrary size, while `numpy.arange` produces `numpy.int32` or `numpy.int64` numbers. This may result in incorrect results for large integer values:

```
>>> power = 40
>>> modulo = 10000
>>> x1 = [(n ** power) % modulo for n in range(8)]
>>> x2 = [(n ** power) % modulo for n in np.arange(8)]
>>> print(x1)
[0, 1, 7776, 8801, 6176, 625, 6576, 4001] # correct
>>> print(x2)
[0, 1, 7776, 7185, 0, 5969, 4816, 3361] # incorrect
```

**See also:**

**`numpy.linspace`**

Evenly spaced numbers with careful handling of endpoints.

**`numpy.ogrid`**

Arrays of evenly spaced numbers in N-dimensions.

**`numpy.mgrid`**

Grid-shaped arrays of evenly spaced numbers in N-dimensions.

## Examples

```
>>> np.arange(3)
array([0, 1, 2])
>>> np.arange(3.0)
array([ 0.,  1.,  2.])
>>> np.arange(3,7)
array([3, 4, 5, 6])
>>> np.arange(3,7,2)
array([3, 5])
```

`numpy.linspace` (*start*, *stop*, *num*=50, *endpoint*=True, *retstep*=False, *dtype*=None, *axis*=0)

Return evenly spaced numbers over a specified interval.

Returns *num* evenly spaced samples, calculated over the interval [*start*, *stop*].

The endpoint of the interval can optionally be excluded.

Changed in version 1.16.0: Non-scalar *start* and *stop* are now supported.

Changed in version 1.20.0: Values are rounded towards `-inf` instead of 0 when an integer *dtype* is specified. The old behavior can still be obtained with `np.linspace(start, stop, num).astype(int)`

### Parameters

#### **start**

[array\_like] The starting value of the sequence.

#### **stop**

[array\_like] The end value of the sequence, unless *endpoint* is set to False. In that case, the sequence consists of all but the last of *num* + 1 evenly spaced samples, so that *stop* is excluded. Note that the step size changes when *endpoint* is False.

#### **num**

[int, optional] Number of samples to generate. Default is 50. Must be non-negative.

#### **endpoint**

[bool, optional] If True, *stop* is the last sample. Otherwise, it is not included. Default is True.

#### **retstep**

[bool, optional] If True, return (*samples*, *step*), where *step* is the spacing between samples.

#### **dtype**

[dtype, optional] The type of the output array. If *dtype* is not given, the data type is inferred from *start* and *stop*. The inferred dtype will never be an integer; `float` is chosen even if the arguments would produce an array of integers.

New in version 1.9.0.

### axis

[int, optional] The axis in the result to store the samples. Relevant only if start or stop are array-like. By default (0), the samples will be along a new axis inserted at the beginning. Use -1 to get an axis at the end.

New in version 1.16.0.

### Returns

#### **samples**

[ndarray] There are *num* equally spaced samples in the closed interval [start, stop] or the half-open interval [start, stop) (depending on whether endpoint is True or False).

#### **step**

[float, optional] Only returned if *retstep* is True

Size of spacing between samples.

### See also:

#### [\*\*arange\*\*](#)

Similar to [`linspace`](#), but uses a step size (instead of the number of samples).

#### [\*\*geomspace\*\*](#)

Similar to [`linspace`](#), but with numbers spaced evenly on a log scale (a geometric progression).

#### [\*\*logspace\*\*](#)

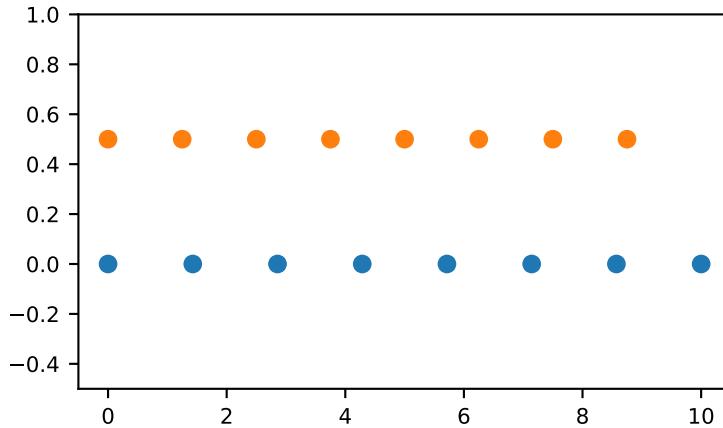
Similar to [`geomspace`](#), but with the end points specified as logarithms.

### Examples

```
>>> np.linspace(2.0, 3.0, num=5)
array([2. , 2.25, 2.5 , 2.75, 3. ])
>>> np.linspace(2.0, 3.0, num=5, endpoint=False)
array([2. , 2.2, 2.4, 2.6, 2.8])
>>> np.linspace(2.0, 3.0, num=5, retstep=True)
(array([2. , 2.25, 2.5 , 2.75, 3. ]), 0.25)
```

Graphical illustration:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> N = 8
>>> y = np.zeros(N)
>>> x1 = np.linspace(0, 10, N, endpoint=True)
>>> x2 = np.linspace(0, 10, N, endpoint=False)
>>> plt.plot(x1, y, 'o')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.plot(x2, y + 0.5, 'o')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.ylim([-0.5, 1])
(-0.5, 1)
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.logspace(start, stop, num=50, endpoint=True, base=10.0, dtype=None, axis=0)`

Return numbers spaced evenly on a log scale.

In linear space, the sequence starts at  $\text{base}^{**\text{start}}$  ( $\text{base}$  to the power of  $\text{start}$ ) and ends with  $\text{base}^{**\text{stop}}$  (see *endpoint* below).

Changed in version 1.16.0: Non-scalar *start* and *stop* are now supported.

### Parameters

#### **start**

[array\_like]  $\text{base}^{**\text{start}}$  is the starting value of the sequence.

#### **stop**

[array\_like]  $\text{base}^{**\text{stop}}$  is the final value of the sequence, unless *endpoint* is False. In that case, *num* + 1 values are spaced over the interval in log-space, of which all but the last (a sequence of length *num*) are returned.

#### **num**

[integer, optional] Number of samples to generate. Default is 50.

#### **endpoint**

[boolean, optional] If true, *stop* is the last sample. Otherwise, it is not included. Default is True.

#### **base**

[array\_like, optional] The base of the log space. The step size between the elements in  $\ln(\text{samples}) / \ln(\text{base})$  (or  $\log_{\text{base}}(\text{samples})$ ) is uniform. Default is 10.0.

#### **dtype**

[dtype] The type of the output array. If *dtype* is not given, the data type is inferred from *start* and *stop*. The inferred type will never be an integer; `float` is chosen even if the arguments would produce an array of integers.

#### **axis**

[int, optional] The axis in the result to store the samples. Relevant only if start or stop are array-like. By default (0), the samples will be along a new axis inserted at the beginning. Use -1 to get an axis at the end.

New in version 1.16.0.

## Returns

### `samples`

[ndarray] *num* samples, equally spaced on a log scale.

## See also:

### `arange`

Similar to `linspace`, with the step size specified instead of the number of samples. Note that, when used with a float endpoint, the endpoint may or may not be included.

### `linspace`

Similar to `logspace`, but with the samples uniformly distributed in linear space, instead of log space.

### `geomspace`

Similar to `logspace`, but with endpoints specified directly.

## Notes

Logspace is equivalent to the code

```
>>> y = np.linspace(start, stop, num=num, endpoint=endpoint)
...
>>> power(base, y).astype(dtype)
...
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.logspace(2.0, 3.0, num=4)
array([ 100.          ,  215.443469  ,  464.15888336, 1000.        ])
>>> np.logspace(2.0, 3.0, num=4, endpoint=False)
array([100.          ,  177.827941  ,  316.22776602,  562.34132519])
>>> np.logspace(2.0, 3.0, num=4, base=2.0)
array([4.          ,  5.0396842 ,  6.34960421,  8.          ])
```

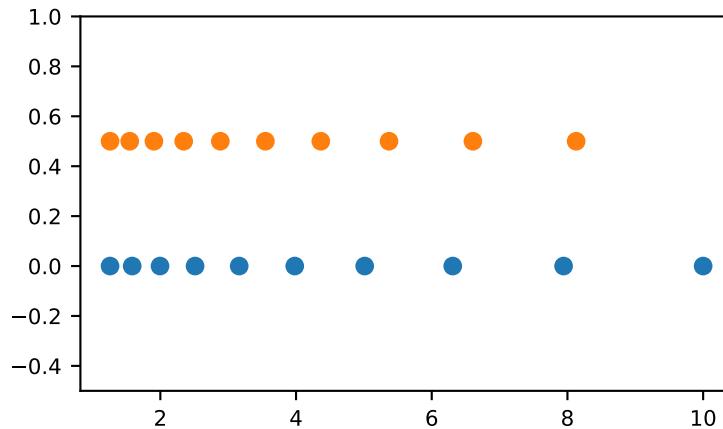
Graphical illustration:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> N = 10
>>> x1 = np.logspace(0.1, 1, N, endpoint=True)
>>> x2 = np.logspace(0.1, 1, N, endpoint=False)
>>> y = np.zeros(N)
>>> plt.plot(x1, y, 'o')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.plot(x2, y + 0.5, 'o')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
```

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```
>>> plt.ylim([-0.5, 1])
(-0.5, 1)
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.geomspace (start, stop, num=50, endpoint=True, dtype=None, axis=0)`

Return numbers spaced evenly on a log scale (a geometric progression).

This is similar to `logspace`, but with endpoints specified directly. Each output sample is a constant multiple of the previous.

Changed in version 1.16.0: Non-scalar `start` and `stop` are now supported.

### Parameters

#### `start`

[array\_like] The starting value of the sequence.

#### `stop`

[array\_like] The final value of the sequence, unless `endpoint` is False. In that case, `num + 1` values are spaced over the interval in log-space, of which all but the last (a sequence of length `num`) are returned.

#### `num`

[integer, optional] Number of samples to generate. Default is 50.

#### `endpoint`

[boolean, optional] If true, `stop` is the last sample. Otherwise, it is not included. Default is True.

#### `dtype`

[dtype] The type of the output array. If `dtype` is not given, the data type is inferred from `start` and `stop`. The inferred dtype will never be an integer; `float` is chosen even if the arguments would produce an array of integers.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis in the result to store the samples. Relevant only if start or stop are array-like. By default (0), the samples will be along a new axis inserted at the beginning. Use -1 to get an axis at the end.

New in version 1.16.0.

**Returns****samples**

[ndarray] *num* samples, equally spaced on a log scale.

**See also:**

**logspace**

Similar to geomspace, but with endpoints specified using log and base.

**linspace**

Similar to geomspace, but with arithmetic instead of geometric progression.

**arange**

Similar to linspace, with the step size specified instead of the number of samples.

**Notes**

If the inputs or dtype are complex, the output will follow a logarithmic spiral in the complex plane. (There are an infinite number of spirals passing through two points; the output will follow the shortest such path.)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.geomspace(1, 1000, num=4)
array([ 1., 10., 100., 1000.])
>>> np.geomspace(1, 1000, num=3, endpoint=False)
array([ 1., 10., 100.])
>>> np.geomspace(1, 1000, num=4, endpoint=False)
array([ 1. , 5.62341325, 31.6227766 , 177.827941 ])
>>> np.geomspace(1, 256, num=9)
array([ 1., 2., 4., 8., 16., 32., 64., 128., 256.])
```

Note that the above may not produce exact integers:

```
>>> np.geomspace(1, 256, num=9, dtype=int)
array([ 1, 2, 4, 7, 16, 32, 63, 127, 256])
>>> np.around(np.geomspace(1, 256, num=9)).astype(int)
array([ 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256])
```

Negative, decreasing, and complex inputs are allowed:

```
>>> np.geomspace(1000, 1, num=4)
array([1000., 100., 10., 1.])
>>> np.geomspace(-1000, -1, num=4)
array([-1000., -100., -10., -1.])
```

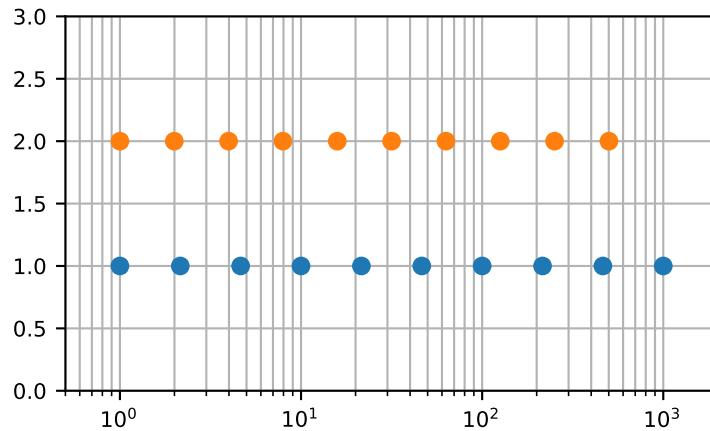
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```
>>> np.geomspace(1j, 1000j, num=4) # Straight line
array([0. +1.j, 0. +10.j, 0. +100.j, 0.+1000.j])
>>> np.geomspace(-1+0j, 1+0j, num=5) # Circle
array([-1.0000000e+00+1.22464680e-16j, -7.07106781e-01+7.07106781e-01j,
       6.12323400e-17+1.0000000e+00j,  7.07106781e-01+7.07106781e-01j,
       1.0000000e+00+0.0000000e+00j])
```

Graphical illustration of *endpoint* parameter:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> N = 10
>>> y = np.zeros(N)
>>> plt.semilogx(np.geomspace(1, 1000, N, endpoint=True), y + 1, 'o')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.semilogx(np.geomspace(1, 1000, N, endpoint=False), y + 2, 'o')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.axis([0.5, 2000, 0, 3])
[0.5, 2000, 0, 3]
>>> plt.grid(True, color='0.7', linestyle='-', which='both', axis='both')
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.meshgrid(*xi, copy=True, sparse=False, indexing='xy')`

Return coordinate matrices from coordinate vectors.

Make N-D coordinate arrays for vectorized evaluations of N-D scalar/vector fields over N-D grids, given one-dimensional coordinate arrays x1, x2,..., xn.

Changed in version 1.9: 1-D and 0-D cases are allowed.

### Parameters

**x1, x2,..., xn**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays representing the coordinates of a grid.

**indexing**

[{'xy', 'ij'}, optional] Cartesian ('xy', default) or matrix ('ij') indexing of output. See Notes for more details.

New in version 1.7.0.

#### sparse

[bool, optional] If True the shape of the returned coordinate array for dimension  $i$  is reduced from  $(N_1, \dots, N_i, \dots, N_n)$  to  $(1, \dots, 1, N_i, 1, \dots, 1)$ . These sparse coordinate grids are intended to be used with basics.broadcasting. When all coordinates are used in an expression, broadcasting still leads to a fully-dimensional result array.

Default is False.

New in version 1.7.0.

#### copy

[bool, optional] If False, a view into the original arrays are returned in order to conserve memory. Default is True. Please note that `sparse=False, copy=False` will likely return non-contiguous arrays. Furthermore, more than one element of a broadcast array may refer to a single memory location. If you need to write to the arrays, make copies first.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Returns

#### X1, X2,..., XN

[ndarray] For vectors  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  with lengths  $N_i = \text{len}(x_i)$ , returns  $(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots, N_n)$  shaped arrays if `indexing='ij'` or  $(N_2, N_1, N_3, \dots, N_n)$  shaped arrays if `indexing='xy'` with the elements of  $x_i$  repeated to fill the matrix along the first dimension for  $x_1$ , the second for  $x_2$  and so on.

### See also:

#### `mgrid`

Construct a multi-dimensional “meshgrid” using indexing notation.

#### `ogrid`

Construct an open multi-dimensional “meshgrid” using indexing notation.

### Notes

This function supports both indexing conventions through the `indexing` keyword argument. Giving the string 'ij' returns a meshgrid with matrix indexing, while 'xy' returns a meshgrid with Cartesian indexing. In the 2-D case with inputs of length M and N, the outputs are of shape (N, M) for 'xy' indexing and (M, N) for 'ij' indexing. In the 3-D case with inputs of length M, N and P, outputs are of shape (N, M, P) for 'xy' indexing and (M, N, P) for 'ij' indexing. The difference is illustrated by the following code snippet:

```
xv, yv = np.meshgrid(x, y, indexing='ij')
for i in range(nx):
    for j in range(ny):
        # treat xv[i,j], yv[i,j]

xv, yv = np.meshgrid(x, y, indexing='xy')
for i in range(nx):
```

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```
for j in range(ny):
    # treat xv[j,i], yv[j,i]
```

In the 1-D and 0-D case, the indexing and sparse keywords have no effect.

## Examples

```
>>> nx, ny = (3, 2)
>>> x = np.linspace(0, 1, nx)
>>> y = np.linspace(0, 1, ny)
>>> xv, yv = np.meshgrid(x, y)
>>> xv
array([[0., 0.5, 1.],
       [0., 0.5, 1.]])
>>> yv
array([[0., 0.],
       [1., 1.]])
>>> xv, yv = np.meshgrid(x, y, sparse=True) # make sparse output arrays
>>> xv
array([[0., 0.5, 1.]])
>>> yv
array([[0.],
       [1.]])
```

`meshgrid` is very useful to evaluate functions on a grid. If the function depends on all coordinates, you can use the parameter `sparse=True` to save memory and computation time.

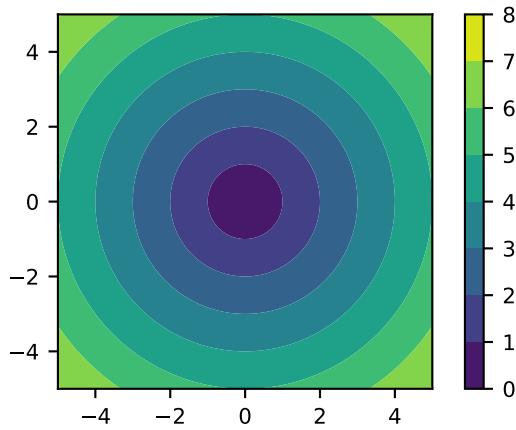
```
>>> x = np.linspace(-5, 5, 101)
>>> y = np.linspace(-5, 5, 101)
>>> # full coordinate arrays
>>> xx, yy = np.meshgrid(x, y)
>>> zz = np.sqrt(xx**2 + yy**2)
>>> xx.shape, yy.shape, zz.shape
((101, 101), (101, 101), (101, 101))
>>> # sparse coordinate arrays
>>> xs, ys = np.meshgrid(x, y, sparse=True)
>>> zs = np.sqrt(xs**2 + ys**2)
>>> xs.shape, ys.shape, zs.shape
((1, 101), (101, 1), (101, 101))
>>> np.array_equal(zz, zs)
True
```

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> h = plt.contourf(x, y, zs)
>>> plt.axis('scaled')
>>> plt.colorbar()
>>> plt.show()
```

`numpy.mgrid = <numpy.lib.index_tricks.MGridClass object>`

`nd_grid` instance which returns a dense multi-dimensional “meshgrid”.

An instance of `numpy.lib.index_tricks.nd_grid` which returns a dense (or fleshed out) mesh-grid when indexed, so that each returned argument has the same shape. The dimensions and number of the output arrays are equal to the number of indexing dimensions. If the step length is not a complex number, then the stop is not inclusive.



However, if the step length is a **complex number** (e.g. `5j`), then the integer part of its magnitude is interpreted as specifying the number of points to create between the start and stop values, where the stop value **is inclusive**.

### Returns

**mesh-grid *ndarrays* all of the same dimensions**

**See also:**

**`lib.index_tricks.nd_grid`**

class of `ogrid` and `mgrid` objects

**`ogrid`**

like `mgrid` but returns open (not fleshed out) mesh grids

**`r_`**

array concatenator

### Examples

```
>>> np.mgrid[0:5, 0:5]
array([[[0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
       [1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
       [2, 2, 2, 2, 2],
       [3, 3, 3, 3, 3],
       [4, 4, 4, 4, 4]],
      [[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]])
>>> np.mgrid[-1:1:5j]
array([-1. , -0.5,  0. ,  0.5,  1. ])
```

## 5.1.6 Building matrices

<code>diag(v[, k])</code>	Extract a diagonal or construct a diagonal array.
<code>diagflat(v[, k])</code>	Create a two-dimensional array with the flattened input as a diagonal.
<code>tri(N[, M, k, dtype, like])</code>	An array with ones at and below the given diagonal and zeros elsewhere.
<code>tril(m[, k])</code>	Lower triangle of an array.
<code>triu(m[, k])</code>	Upper triangle of an array.
<code>vander(x[, N, increasing])</code>	Generate a Vandermonde matrix.

`numpy.diagflat(v, k=0)`

Create a two-dimensional array with the flattened input as a diagonal.

### Parameters

**v**

[array\_like] Input data, which is flattened and set as the  $k$ -th diagonal of the output.

**k**

[int, optional] Diagonal to set; 0, the default, corresponds to the “main” diagonal, a positive (negative)  $k$  giving the number of the diagonal above (below) the main.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] The 2-D output array.

See also:

`diag`

MATLAB work-alike for 1-D and 2-D arrays.

`diagonal`

Return specified diagonals.

`trace`

Sum along diagonals.

### Examples

```
>>> np.diagflat([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
array([[1, 0, 0, 0],
       [0, 2, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 3, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 4]])
```

```
>>> np.diagflat([1, 2], 1)
array([[0, 1, 0],
       [0, 0, 2],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
numpy.tri(N, M=None, k=0, dtype=<class 'float'>, *, like=None)
```

An array with ones at and below the given diagonal and zeros elsewhere.

### Parameters

#### N

[int] Number of rows in the array.

#### M

[int, optional] Number of columns in the array. By default,  $M$  is taken equal to  $N$ .

#### k

[int, optional] The sub-diagonal at and below which the array is filled.  $k = 0$  is the main diagonal, while  $k < 0$  is below it, and  $k > 0$  is above. The default is 0.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional] Data type of the returned array. The default is float.

#### like

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### tri

[ndarray of shape (N, M)] Array with its lower triangle filled with ones and zero elsewhere; in other words  $T[i, j] == 1$  for  $j \leq i + k$ , 0 otherwise.

### Examples

```
>>> np.tri(3, 5, 2, dtype=int)
array([[1, 1, 1, 0, 0],
       [1, 1, 1, 1, 0],
       [1, 1, 1, 1, 1]])
```

```
>>> np.tri(3, 5, -1)
array([[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [1., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [1., 1., 0., 0., 0.]])
```

```
numpy.tril(m, k=0)
```

Lower triangle of an array.

Return a copy of an array with elements above the  $k$ -th diagonal zeroed. For arrays with `ndim` exceeding 2, `tril` will apply to the final two axes.

### Parameters

**m**

[array\_like, shape (... , M, N)] Input array.

**k**

[int, optional] Diagonal above which to zero elements.  $k = 0$  (the default) is the main diagonal,  $k < 0$  is below it and  $k > 0$  is above.

**Returns****tril**

[ndarray, shape (... , M, N)] Lower triangle of  $m$ , of same shape and data-type as  $m$ .

**See also:**

**triu**

same thing, only for the upper triangle

**Examples**

```
>>> np.tril([[1,2,3],[4,5,6],[7,8,9],[10,11,12]], -1)
array([[ 0,  0,  0],
       [ 4,  0,  0],
       [ 7,  8,  0],
       [10, 11, 12]])
```

```
>>> np.tril(np.arange(3*4*5).reshape(3, 4, 5))
array([[[ 0,  0,  0,  0,  0],
        [ 5,  6,  0,  0,  0],
        [10, 11, 12,  0,  0],
        [15, 16, 17, 18,  0]],
       [[20,  0,  0,  0,  0],
        [25, 26,  0,  0,  0],
        [30, 31, 32,  0,  0],
        [35, 36, 37, 38,  0]],
       [[40,  0,  0,  0,  0],
        [45, 46,  0,  0,  0],
        [50, 51, 52,  0,  0],
        [55, 56, 57, 58,  0]]])
```

`numpy.triu(m, k=0)`

Upper triangle of an array.

Return a copy of an array with the elements below the  $k$ -th diagonal zeroed. For arrays with `ndim` exceeding 2, `triu` will apply to the final two axes.

Please refer to the documentation for `tril` for further details.

**See also:**

**tril**

lower triangle of an array

## Examples

```
>>> np.triu([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9], [10, 11, 12]], -1)
array([[ 1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6],
       [ 0,  8,  9],
       [ 0,  0, 12]])
```

```
>>> np.triu(np.arange(3*4*5).reshape(3, 4, 5))
array([[[ 0,  1,  2,  3,  4],
        [ 0,  6,  7,  8,  9],
        [ 0, 12, 13, 14, 15],
        [ 0,  0, 18, 19, 20]],
       [[20, 21, 22, 23, 24],
        [ 0, 26, 27, 28, 29],
        [ 0, 32, 33, 34, 35],
        [ 0,  0, 38, 39, 40]],
       [[40, 41, 42, 43, 44],
        [ 0, 46, 47, 48, 49],
        [ 0, 52, 53, 54, 55],
        [ 0,  0, 58, 59, 60]])
```

`numpy.vander`(*x*, *N=None*, *increasing=False*)

Generate a Vandermonde matrix.

The columns of the output matrix are powers of the input vector. The order of the powers is determined by the *increasing* boolean argument. Specifically, when *increasing* is False, the *i*-th output column is the input vector raised element-wise to the power of  $N - i - 1$ . Such a matrix with a geometric progression in each row is named for Alexandre- Theophile Vandermonde.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] 1-D input array.

**N**

[int, optional] Number of columns in the output. If *N* is not specified, a square array is returned ( $N = \text{len}(x)$ ).

**increasing**

[bool, optional] Order of the powers of the columns. If True, the powers increase from left to right, if False (the default) they are reversed.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Vandermonde matrix. If *increasing* is False, the first column is  $x^{N-1}$ , the second  $x^{N-2}$  and so forth. If *increasing* is True, the columns are  $x^0, x^1, \dots, x^{N-1}$ .

**See also:**

`polynomial.polynomial.polyvander`

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3, 5])
>>> N = 3
>>> np.vander(x, N)
array([[ 1,  1,  1],
       [ 4,  2,  1],
       [ 9,  3,  1],
       [25,  5,  1]])
```

```
>>> np.column_stack([x** (N-1-i) for i in range(N)])
array([[ 1,  1,  1],
       [ 4,  2,  1],
       [ 9,  3,  1],
       [25,  5,  1]])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3, 5])
>>> np.vander(x)
array([[ 1,  1,  1,  1],
       [ 8,  4,  2,  1],
       [27,  9,  3,  1],
       [125, 25,  5,  1]])
>>> np.vander(x, increasing=True)
array([[ 1,  1,  1,  1],
       [ 1,  2,  4,  8],
       [ 1,  3,  9, 27],
       [ 1,  5, 25, 125]])
```

The determinant of a square Vandermonde matrix is the product of the differences between the values of the input vector:

```
>>> np.linalg.det(np.vander(x))
48.000000000000043 # may vary
>>> (5-3)*(5-2)*(5-1)*(3-2)*(3-1)*(2-1)
48
```

### 5.1.7 The Matrix class

<code>mat</code> (data[, dtype])	Interpret the input as a matrix.
<code>bmat</code> (obj[, ldict, gdict])	Build a matrix object from a string, nested sequence, or array.

`numpy.mat` (*data*, *dtype=None*)

Interpret the input as a matrix.

Unlike `matrix`, `asmatrix` does not make a copy if the input is already a matrix or an ndarray. Equivalent to `matrix(data, copy=False)`.

#### Parameters

##### `data`

[array\_like] Input data.

**dtype**

[data-type] Data-type of the output matrix.

**Returns****mat**

[matrix] *data* interpreted as a matrix.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
```

```
>>> m = np.asmatrix(x)
```

```
>>> x[0,0] = 5
```

```
>>> m
matrix([[5, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

## 5.2 Array manipulation routines

### 5.2.1 Basic operations

---

`copyto(dst, src[, casting, where])`

Copies values from one array to another, broadcasting as necessary.

---

`shape(a)`

Return the shape of an array.

`numpy.copyto(dst, src, casting='same_kind', where=True)`

Copies values from one array to another, broadcasting as necessary.

Raises a `TypeError` if the `casting` rule is violated, and if `where` is provided, it selects which elements to copy.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****dst**

[ndarray] The array into which values are copied.

**src**

[array\_like] The array from which values are copied.

**casting**

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur when copying.

- ‘no’ means the data types should not be cast at all.
- ‘equiv’ means only byte-order changes are allowed.

- ‘safe’ means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- ‘same\\_kind’ means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- ‘unsafe’ means any data conversions may be done.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] A boolean array which is broadcasted to match the dimensions of *dst*, and selects elements to copy from *src* to *dst* wherever it contains the value True.

`numpy.shape(a)`

Return the shape of an array.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**Returns****shape**

[tuple of ints] The elements of the shape tuple give the lengths of the corresponding array dimensions.

**See also:**

**len**

`len(a)` is equivalent to `np.shape(a)[0]` for N-D arrays with  $N \geq 1$ .

**ndarray.shape**

Equivalent array method.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.shape(np.eye(3))
(3, 3)
>>> np.shape([[1, 3]])
(1, 2)
>>> np.shape([0])
(1,)
>>> np.shape(0)
()
```

```
>>> a = np.array([(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)],
...              dtype=[('x', 'i4'), ('y', 'i4')])
>>> np.shape(a)
(3,)
>>> a.shape
(3,)
```

## 5.2.2 Changing array shape

<code>reshape(a, newshape[, order])</code>	Gives a new shape to an array without changing its data.
<code>ravel(a[, order])</code>	Return a contiguous flattened array.
<code>ndarray.flat</code>	A 1-D iterator over the array.
<code>ndarray.flatten([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.

`numpy.reshape (a, newshape, order='C')`

Gives a new shape to an array without changing its data.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array to be reshaped.

#### newshape

[int or tuple of ints] The new shape should be compatible with the original shape. If an integer, then the result will be a 1-D array of that length. One shape dimension can be -1. In this case, the value is inferred from the length of the array and remaining dimensions.

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A'}, optional] Read the elements of *a* using this index order, and place the elements into the reshaped array using this index order. 'C' means to read / write the elements using C-like index order, with the last axis index changing fastest, back to the first axis index changing slowest. 'F' means to read / write the elements using Fortran-like index order, with the first index changing fastest, and the last index changing slowest. Note that the 'C' and 'F' options take no account of the memory layout of the underlying array, and only refer to the order of indexing. 'A' means to read / write the elements in Fortran-like index order if *a* is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, C-like order otherwise.

### Returns

#### reshaped\_array

[ndarray] This will be a new view object if possible; otherwise, it will be a copy. Note there is no guarantee of the *memory layout* (C- or Fortran- contiguous) of the returned array.

### See also:

#### `ndarray.reshape`

Equivalent method.

### Notes

It is not always possible to change the shape of an array without copying the data. If you want an error to be raised when the data is copied, you should assign the new shape to the shape attribute of the array:

```
>>> a = np.zeros((10, 2))

# A transpose makes the array non-contiguous
>>> b = a.T
```

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```
# Taking a view makes it possible to modify the shape without modifying
# the initial object.
>>> c = b.view()
>>> c.shape = (20)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AttributeError: Incompatible shape for in-place modification. Use
`.reshape()` to make a copy with the desired shape.
```

The *order* keyword gives the index ordering both for *fetching* the values from *a*, and then *placing* the values into the output array. For example, let's say you have an array:

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape((3, 2))
>>> a
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3],
       [4, 5]])
```

You can think of reshaping as first raveling the array (using the given index order), then inserting the elements from the raveled array into the new array using the same kind of index ordering as was used for the raveling.

```
>>> np.reshape(a, (2, 3)) # C-like index ordering
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.reshape(np.ravel(a), (2, 3)) # equivalent to C ravel then C reshape
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.reshape(a, (2, 3), order='F') # Fortran-like index ordering
array([[0, 4, 3],
       [2, 1, 5]])
>>> np.reshape(np.ravel(a, order='F'), (2, 3), order='F')
array([[0, 4, 3],
       [2, 1, 5]])
```

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1,2,3], [4,5,6]])
>>> np.reshape(a, 6)
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
>>> np.reshape(a, 6, order='F')
array([1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6])
```

```
>>> np.reshape(a, (3, -1))      # the unspecified value is inferred to be 2
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4],
       [5, 6]])
```

`numpy.ravel(a, order='C')`

Return a contiguous flattened array.

A 1-D array, containing the elements of the input, is returned. A copy is made only if needed.

As of NumPy 1.10, the returned array will have the same type as the input array. (for example, a masked array will be returned for a masked array input)

## Parameters

### a

[array\_like] Input array. The elements in *a* are read in the order specified by *order*, and packed as a 1-D array.

### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] The elements of *a* are read using this index order. 'C' means to index the elements in row-major, C-style order, with the last axis index changing fastest, back to the first axis index changing slowest. 'F' means to index the elements in column-major, Fortran-style order, with the first index changing fastest, and the last index changing slowest. Note that the 'C' and 'F' options take no account of the memory layout of the underlying array, and only refer to the order of axis indexing. 'A' means to read the elements in Fortran-like index order if *a* is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, C-like order otherwise. 'K' means to read the elements in the order they occur in memory, except for reversing the data when strides are negative. By default, 'C' index order is used.

## Returns

### y

[array\_like] *y* is an array of the same subtype as *a*, with shape (*a.size*,). Note that matrices are special cased for backward compatibility, if *a* is a matrix, then *y* is a 1-D ndarray.

## See also:

### `ndarray.flat`

1-D iterator over an array.

### `ndarray.flatten`

1-D array copy of the elements of an array in row-major order.

### `ndarray.reshape`

Change the shape of an array without changing its data.

## Notes

In row-major, C-style order, in two dimensions, the row index varies the slowest, and the column index the quickest. This can be generalized to multiple dimensions, where row-major order implies that the index along the first axis varies slowest, and the index along the last quickest. The opposite holds for column-major, Fortran-style index ordering.

When a view is desired in as many cases as possible, `arr.reshape(-1)` may be preferable.

## Examples

It is equivalent to `reshape(-1, order=order)`.

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])
>>> np.ravel(x)
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
```

```
>>> x.reshape(-1)
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
```

```
>>> np.ravel(x, order='F')
array([1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6])
```

When `order` is ‘A’, it will preserve the array’s ‘C’ or ‘F’ ordering:

```
>>> np.ravel(x.T)
array([1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6])
>>> np.ravel(x.T, order='A')
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
```

When `order` is ‘K’, it will preserve orderings that are neither ‘C’ nor ‘F’, but won’t reverse axes:

```
>>> a = np.arange(3)[::-1]; a
array([2, 1, 0])
>>> a.ravel(order='C')
array([2, 1, 0])
>>> a.ravel(order='K')
array([2, 1, 0])
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(12).reshape(2,3,2).swapaxes(1,2); a
array([[[ 0,  2,  4],
       [ 1,  3,  5]],
      [[ 6,  8, 10],
       [ 7,  9, 11]])]
>>> a.ravel(order='C')
array([ 0,  2,  4,  1,  3,  5,  6,  8, 10,  7,  9, 11])
>>> a.ravel(order='K')
array([ 0,  1,  2,  3,  4,  5,  6,  7,  8,  9, 10, 11])
```

### 5.2.3 Transpose-like operations

<code>moveaxis(a, source, destination)</code>	Move axes of an array to new positions.
<code>rollaxis(a, axis[, start])</code>	Roll the specified axis backwards, until it lies in a given position.
<code>swapaxes(a, axis1, axis2)</code>	Interchange two axes of an array.
<code>ndarray.T</code>	The transposed array.
<code>transpose(a[, axes])</code>	Reverse or permute the axes of an array; returns the modified array.

`numpy.moveaxis(a, source, destination)`

Move axes of an array to new positions.

Other axes remain in their original order.

New in version 1.11.0.

### Parameters

#### a

[np.ndarray] The array whose axes should be reordered.

#### source

[int or sequence of int] Original positions of the axes to move. These must be unique.

#### destination

[int or sequence of int] Destination positions for each of the original axes. These must also be unique.

### Returns

#### result

[np.ndarray] Array with moved axes. This array is a view of the input array.

### See also:

#### [transpose](#)

Permute the dimensions of an array.

#### [swapaxes](#)

Interchange two axes of an array.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.zeros((3, 4, 5))
>>> np.moveaxis(x, 0, -1).shape
(4, 5, 3)
>>> np.moveaxis(x, -1, 0).shape
(5, 3, 4)
```

These all achieve the same result:

```
>>> np.transpose(x).shape
(5, 4, 3)
>>> np.swapaxes(x, 0, -1).shape
(5, 4, 3)
>>> np.moveaxis(x, [0, 1], [-1, -2]).shape
(5, 4, 3)
>>> np.moveaxis(x, [0, 1, 2], [-1, -2, -3]).shape
(5, 4, 3)
```

`numpy.rollaxis(a, axis, start=0)`

Roll the specified axis backwards, until it lies in a given position.

This function continues to be supported for backward compatibility, but you should prefer `moveaxis`. The `moveaxis` function was added in NumPy 1.11.

### Parameters

**a**

[ndarray] Input array.

**axis**

[int] The axis to be rolled. The positions of the other axes do not change relative to one another.

**start**

[int, optional] When `start <= axis`, the axis is rolled back until it lies in this position. When `start > axis`, the axis is rolled until it lies before this position. The default, 0, results in a “complete” roll. The following table describes how negative values of `start` are interpreted:

<code>start</code>	Normalized <code>start</code>
<code>- (arr.ndim+1)</code>	<code>raise AxisError</code>
<code>-arr.ndim</code>	0
<code>:</code>	<code>:</code>
<code>-1</code>	<code>arr.ndim-1</code>
<code>0</code>	0
<code>:</code>	<code>:</code>
<code>arr.ndim</code>	<code>arr.ndim</code>
<code>arr.ndim + 1</code>	<code>raise AxisError</code>

**Returns****res**

[ndarray] For NumPy  $\geq 1.10.0$  a view of `a` is always returned. For earlier NumPy versions a view of `a` is returned only if the order of the axes is changed, otherwise the input array is returned.

**See also:****[moveaxis](#)**

Move array axes to new positions.

**[roll](#)**

Roll the elements of an array by a number of positions along a given axis.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.ones((3, 4, 5, 6))
>>> np.rollaxis(a, 3, 1).shape
(3, 6, 4, 5)
>>> np.rollaxis(a, 2).shape
(5, 3, 4, 6)
>>> np.rollaxis(a, 1, 4).shape
(3, 5, 6, 4)
```

`numpy.swapaxes(a, axis1, axis2)`

Interchange two axes of an array.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axis1**

[int] First axis.

**axis2**

[int] Second axis.

**Returns****a\_swapped**

[ndarray] For NumPy >= 1.10.0, if *a* is an ndarray, then a view of *a* is returned; otherwise a new array is created. For earlier NumPy versions a view of *a* is returned only if the order of the axes is changed, otherwise the input array is returned.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3]])
>>> np.swapaxes(x, 0, 1)
array([[1],
       [2],
       [3]])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([[[0, 1], [2, 3]], [[4, 5], [6, 7]]])
>>> x
array([[[0, 1],
       [2, 3]],
      [[4, 5],
       [6, 7]]])
```

```
>>> np.swapaxes(x, 0, 2)
array([[[0, 4],
       [2, 6]],
      [[1, 5],
       [3, 7]]])
```

**numpy.transpose (*a*, *axes=None*)**

Reverse or permute the axes of an array; returns the modified array.

For an array *a* with two axes, transpose(*a*) gives the matrix transpose.

Refer to [\*numpy.ndarray.transpose\*](#) for full documentation.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axes**

[tuple or list of ints, optional] If specified, it must be a tuple or list which contains a permutation of [0,1,..,N-1] where N is the number of axes of *a*. The *i*'th axis of the returned array will correspond to the axis numbered *axes[i]* of the input. If not specified, defaults to range (*a*.ndim) [::-1], which reverses the order of the axes.

**Returns****p**

[ndarray] *a* with its axes permuted. A view is returned whenever possible.

**See also:**

[`ndarray.transpose`](#)

Equivalent method

[`moveaxis`](#)

[`argsort`](#)

**Notes**

Use `transpose(a, argsort(axes))` to invert the transposition of tensors when using the `axes` keyword argument.

Transposing a 1-D array returns an unchanged view of the original array.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(4).reshape((2, 2))
>>> x
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
```

```
>>> np.transpose(x)
array([[0, 2],
       [1, 3]])
```

```
>>> x = np.ones((1, 2, 3))
>>> np.transpose(x, (1, 0, 2)).shape
(2, 1, 3)
```

```
>>> x = np.ones((2, 3, 4, 5))
>>> np.transpose(x).shape
(5, 4, 3, 2)
```

## 5.2.4 Changing number of dimensions

<a href="#"><code>atleast_1d(*arys)</code></a>	Convert inputs to arrays with at least one dimension.
<a href="#"><code>atleast_2d(*arys)</code></a>	View inputs as arrays with at least two dimensions.
<a href="#"><code>atleast_3d(*arys)</code></a>	View inputs as arrays with at least three dimensions.
<a href="#"><code>broadcast</code></a>	Produce an object that mimics broadcasting.
<a href="#"><code>broadcast_to(array, shape[, subok])</code></a>	Broadcast an array to a new shape.
<a href="#"><code>broadcast_arrays(*args[, subok])</code></a>	Broadcast any number of arrays against each other.
<a href="#"><code>expand_dims(a, axis)</code></a>	Expand the shape of an array.
<a href="#"><code>squeeze(a[, axis])</code></a>	Remove axes of length one from <i>a</i> .

```
numpy.atleast_1d(*args)
```

Convert inputs to arrays with at least one dimension.

Scalar inputs are converted to 1-dimensional arrays, whilst higher-dimensional inputs are preserved.

### Parameters

**arys1, arys2, ...**

[array\_like] One or more input arrays.

### Returns

**ret**

[ndarray] An array, or list of arrays, each with `a.ndim >= 1`. Copies are made only if necessary.

See also:

[`atleast\_2d`](#), [`atleast\_3d`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.atleast_1d(1.0)
array([1.])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(9.0).reshape(3,3)
>>> np.atleast_1d(x)
array([[0., 1., 2.],
       [3., 4., 5.],
       [6., 7., 8.]])
>>> np.atleast_1d(x) is x
True
```

```
>>> np.atleast_1d(1, [3, 4])
[array([1]), array([3, 4])]
```

```
numpy.atleast_2d(*args)
```

View inputs as arrays with at least two dimensions.

### Parameters

**arys1, arys2, ...**

[array\_like] One or more array-like sequences. Non-array inputs are converted to arrays. Arrays that already have two or more dimensions are preserved.

### Returns

**res, res2, ...**

[ndarray] An array, or list of arrays, each with `a.ndim >= 2`. Copies are avoided where possible, and views with two or more dimensions are returned.

See also:

**`atleast_1d, atleast_3d`****Examples**

```
>>> np.atleast_2d(3.0)
array([[3.]])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.atleast_2d(x)
array([[0., 1., 2.]])
>>> np.atleast_2d(x).base is x
True
```

```
>>> np.atleast_2d(1, [1, 2], [[1, 2]])
[array([[1]]), array([[1, 2]]), array([[1, 2]])]
```

`numpy.atleast_3d(*arys)`

View inputs as arrays with at least three dimensions.

**Parameters**

`arys1, arys2, ...`

[array\_like] One or more array-like sequences. Non-array inputs are converted to arrays. Arrays that already have three or more dimensions are preserved.

**Returns**

`res1, res2, ...`

[ndarray] An array, or list of arrays, each with `a.ndim >= 3`. Copies are avoided where possible, and views with three or more dimensions are returned. For example, a 1-D array of shape (N,) becomes a view of shape (1, N, 1), and a 2-D array of shape (M, N) becomes a view of shape (M, N, 1).

See also:

[`atleast\_1d, atleast\_2d`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.atleast_3d(3.0)
array([[[3.]]])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.atleast_3d(x).shape
(1, 3, 1)
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(12.0).reshape(4, 3)
>>> np.atleast_3d(x).shape
(4, 3, 1)
>>> np.atleast_3d(x).base is x.base # x is a reshape, so not base itself
True
```

```
>>> for arr in np.atleast_3d([1, 2], [[1, 2]], [[[1, 2]]]):  
...     print(arr, arr.shape)  
...  
[[[1  
 [2]]] (1, 2, 1)  
 [[[1  
 [2]]] (1, 2, 1)  
 [[[1 2]]] (1, 1, 2)
```

`numpy.broadcast_to`(array, shape, subok=False)

Broadcast an array to a new shape.

### Parameters

#### array

[array\_like] The array to broadcast.

#### shape

[tuple or int] The shape of the desired array. A single integer  $i$  is interpreted as  $(i, )$ .

#### subok

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through, otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array (default).

### Returns

#### broadcast

[array] A readonly view on the original array with the given shape. It is typically not contiguous. Furthermore, more than one element of a broadcasted array may refer to a single memory location.

### Raises

#### ValueError

If the array is not compatible with the new shape according to NumPy's broadcasting rules.

### See also:

[`broadcast`](#)

[`broadcast\_arrays`](#)

[`broadcast\_shapes`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.10.0.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> np.broadcast_to(x, (3, 3))
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [1, 2, 3],
       [1, 2, 3]])
```

`numpy.broadcast_arrays(*args, subok=False)`

Broadcast any number of arrays against each other.

### Parameters

#### \*args

[array\_likes] The arrays to broadcast.

#### subok

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through, otherwise the returned arrays will be forced to be a base-class array (default).

### Returns

#### broadcasted

[list of arrays] These arrays are views on the original arrays. They are typically not contiguous. Furthermore, more than one element of a broadcasted array may refer to a single memory location. If you need to write to the arrays, make copies first. While you can set the `writable` flag True, writing to a single output value may end up changing more than one location in the output array.

Deprecated since version 1.17: The output is currently marked so that if written to, a deprecation warning will be emitted. A future version will set the `writable` flag False so writing to it will raise an error.

### See also:

[`broadcast`](#)

[`broadcast\_to`](#)

[`broadcast\_shapes`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3]])
>>> y = np.array([[4], [5]])
>>> np.broadcast_arrays(x, y)
[array([[1, 2, 3],
       [1, 2, 3]]), array([[4, 4, 4],
       [5, 5, 5]])]
```

Here is a useful idiom for getting contiguous copies instead of non-contiguous views.

```
>>> [np.array(a) for a in np.broadcast_arrays(x, y)]
[array([[1, 2, 3],
       [1, 2, 3]]), array([[4, 4, 4],
       [5, 5, 5]])]
```

`numpy.expand_dims(a, axis)`

Expand the shape of an array.

Insert a new axis that will appear at the *axis* position in the expanded array shape.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axis**

[int or tuple of ints] Position in the expanded axes where the new axis (or axes) is placed.

Deprecated since version 1.13.0: Passing an axis where `axis > a.ndim` will be treated as `axis == a.ndim`, and passing `axis < -a.ndim - 1` will be treated as `axis == 0`. This behavior is deprecated.

Changed in version 1.18.0: A tuple of axes is now supported. Out of range axes as described above are now forbidden and raise an `AxisError`.

### Returns

**result**

[ndarray] View of *a* with the number of dimensions increased.

**See also:**

[`squeeze`](#)

The inverse operation, removing singleton dimensions

[`reshape`](#)

Insert, remove, and combine dimensions, and resize existing ones

[`doc.indexing, atleast\_1d, atleast\_2d, atleast\_3d`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2])
>>> x.shape
(2, )
```

The following is equivalent to `x[np.newaxis, :]` or `x[np.newaxis]`:

```
>>> y = np.expand_dims(x, axis=0)
>>> y
array([[1, 2]])
>>> y.shape
(1, 2)
```

The following is equivalent to `x[:, np.newaxis]`:

```
>>> y = np.expand_dims(x, axis=1)
>>> y
array([[1],
       [2]])
>>> y.shape
(2, 1)
```

`axis` may also be a tuple:

```
>>> y = np.expand_dims(x, axis=(0, 1))
>>> y
array([[[1, 2]]])
```

```
>>> y = np.expand_dims(x, axis=(2, 0))
>>> y
array([[[1],
       [2]]])
```

Note that some examples may use `None` instead of `np.newaxis`. These are the same objects:

```
>>> np.newaxis is None
True
```

`numpy.squeeze(a, axis=None)`

Remove axes of length one from `a`.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input data.

**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] New in version 1.7.0.

Selects a subset of the entries of length one in the shape. If an axis is selected with shape entry greater than one, an error is raised.

### Returns

**squeezed**

[ndarray] The input array, but with all or a subset of the dimensions of length 1 removed. This is always  $a$  itself or a view into  $a$ . Note that if all axes are squeezed, the result is a 0d array and not a scalar.

## Raises

### ValueError

If  $axis$  is not None, and an axis being squeezed is not of length 1

See also:

[`expand\_dims`](#)

The inverse operation, adding entries of length one

[`reshape`](#)

Insert, remove, and combine dimensions, and resize existing ones

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[ [0], [1], [2]]])
>>> x.shape
(1, 3, 1)
>>> np.squeeze(x).shape
(3,)
>>> np.squeeze(x, axis=0).shape
(3, 1)
>>> np.squeeze(x, axis=1).shape
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot select an axis to squeeze out which has size not equal to one
>>> np.squeeze(x, axis=2).shape
(1, 3)
>>> x = np.array([[1234]])
>>> x.shape
(1, 1)
>>> np.squeeze(x)
array(1234) # 0d array
>>> np.squeeze(x).shape
()
>>> np.squeeze(x) [ () ]
1234
```

## 5.2.5 Changing kind of array

<code>asarray(a[, dtype, order, like])</code>	Convert the input to an array.
<code>asanyarray(a[, dtype, order, like])</code>	Convert the input to an ndarray, but pass ndarray subclasses through.
<code>asmatrix(data[, dtype])</code>	Interpret the input as a matrix.
<code>asfarray(a[, dtype])</code>	Return an array converted to a float type.
<code>asfortranarray(a[, dtype, like])</code>	Return an array ( $\text{ndim} \geq 1$ ) laid out in Fortran order in memory.
<code>ascontiguousarray(a[, dtype, like])</code>	Return a contiguous array ( $\text{ndim} \geq 1$ ) in memory (C order).
<code>asarray_chkfinite(a[, dtype, order])</code>	Convert the input to an array, checking for NaNs or Infs.
<code>require(a[, dtype, requirements, like])</code>	Return an ndarray of the provided type that satisfies requirements.

`numpy.asfarray(a, dtype=<class 'numpy.double'>)`

Return an array converted to a float type.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] The input array.

#### dtype

[str or dtype object, optional] Float type code to coerce input array *a*. If *dtype* is one of the ‘int’ dtypes, it is replaced with float64.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] The input *a* as a float ndarray.

## Examples

```
>>> np.asarray([2, 3])
array([2., 3.])
>>> np.asarray([2, 3], dtype='float')
array([2., 3.])
>>> np.asarray([2, 3], dtype='int8')
array([2., 3.])
```

`numpy.asfortranarray(a, dtype=None, *, like=None)`

Return an array ( $\text{ndim} \geq 1$ ) laid out in Fortran order in memory.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array.

#### dtype

[str or dtype object, optional] By default, the data-type is inferred from the input data.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The input `a` in Fortran, or column-major, order.

**See also:**

[\*\*`ascontiguousarray`\*\*](#)

Convert input to a contiguous (C order) array.

[\*\*`asanyarray`\*\*](#)

Convert input to an ndarray with either row or column-major memory order.

[\*\*`require`\*\*](#)

Return an ndarray that satisfies requirements.

[\*\*`ndarray.flags`\*\*](#)

Information about the memory layout of the array.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> y = np.asfortranarray(x)
>>> x.flags['F_CONTIGUOUS']
False
>>> y.flags['F_CONTIGUOUS']
True
```

Note: This function returns an array with at least one-dimension (1-d) so it will not preserve 0-d arrays.

[\*\*`numpy.asarray\_chkfinite\(a, dtype=None, order=None\)`\*\*](#)

Convert the input to an array, checking for NaNs or Infs.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input data, in any form that can be converted to an array. This includes lists, lists of tuples, tuples, tuples of tuples, tuples of lists and ndarrays. Success requires no NaNs or Infs.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] By default, the data-type is inferred from the input data.

**order**

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, ‘K’}, optional] Memory layout. ‘A’ and ‘K’ depend on the order of input array *a*. ‘C’ row-major (C-style), ‘F’ column-major (Fortran-style) memory representation. ‘A’ (any) means ‘F’ if *a* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise ‘K’ (keep) preserve input order Defaults to ‘C’.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array interpretation of *a*. No copy is performed if the input is already an ndarray. If *a* is a subclass of ndarray, a base class ndarray is returned.

**Raises****ValueError**

Raises ValueError if *a* contains NaN (Not a Number) or Inf (Infinity).

**See also:****[asarray](#)**

Create and array.

**[asanyarray](#)**

Similar function which passes through subclasses.

**[ascontiguousarray](#)**

Convert input to a contiguous array.

**[asfarray](#)**

Convert input to a floating point ndarray.

**[asfortranarray](#)**

Convert input to an ndarray with column-major memory order.

**[fromiter](#)**

Create an array from an iterator.

**[fromfunction](#)**

Construct an array by executing a function on grid positions.

**Examples**

Convert a list into an array. If all elements are finite `asarray_chkfinite` is identical to `asarray`.

```
>>> a = [1, 2]
>>> np.asarray_chkfinite(a, dtype=float)
array([1., 2.])
```

Raises ValueError if array\_like contains Nans or Infs.

```
>>> a = [1, 2, np.inf]
>>> try:
...     np.asarray_chkfinite(a)
... except ValueError:
...     print('ValueError')
...
ValueError
```

`numpy.require(a, dtype=None, requirements=None, *, like=None)`

Return an ndarray of the provided type that satisfies requirements.

This function is useful to be sure that an array with the correct flags is returned for passing to compiled code (perhaps through ctypes).

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] The object to be converted to a type-and-requirement-satisfying array.

**dtype**

[data-type] The required data-type. If None preserve the current dtype. If your application requires the data to be in native byteorder, include a byteorder specification as a part of the dtype specification.

**requirements**

[str or list of str] The requirements list can be any of the following

- ‘F\_CONTIGUOUS’ (‘F’) - ensure a Fortran-contiguous array
- ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’ (‘C’) - ensure a C-contiguous array
- ‘ALIGNED’ (‘A’) - ensure a data-type aligned array
- ‘WRITEABLE’ (‘W’) - ensure a writable array
- ‘OWNDATA’ (‘O’) - ensure an array that owns its own data
- ‘ENSUREARRAY’, (‘E’) - ensure a base array, instead of a subclass

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array with specified requirements and type if given.

### See also:

[`asarray`](#)

Convert input to an ndarray.

**`asanyarray`**

Convert to an ndarray, but pass through ndarray subclasses.

**`ascontiguousarray`**

Convert input to a contiguous array.

**`asfortranarray`**

Convert input to an ndarray with column-major memory order.

**`ndarray.flags`**

Information about the memory layout of the array.

**Notes**

The returned array will be guaranteed to have the listed requirements by making a copy if needed.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> x.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : False
WRITEABLE : True
ALIGNED : True
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
```

```
>>> y = np.require(x, dtype=np.float32, requirements=['A', 'O', 'W', 'F'])
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : False
F_CONTIGUOUS : True
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : True
ALIGNED : True
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
```

**5.2.6 Joining arrays**

<code>concatenate([axis, out, dtype, casting])</code>	Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.
<code>stack(arrays[, axis, out])</code>	Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.
<code>block(arrays)</code>	Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.
<code>vstack(tup)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).
<code>hstack(tup)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).
<code>dstack(tup)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).
<code>column_stack(tup)</code>	Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.
<code>row_stack(tup)</code>	Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

`numpy.concatenate((a1, a2, ...), axis=0, out=None, dtype=None, casting="same_kind")`

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

**Parameters****a1, a2, ...**

[sequence of array\_like] The arrays must have the same shape, except in the dimension corresponding to *axis* (the first, by default).

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis along which the arrays will be joined. If axis is None, arrays are flattened before use. Default is 0.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] If provided, the destination to place the result. The shape must be correct, matching that of what concatenate would have returned if no out argument were specified.

**dtype**

[str or dtype] If provided, the destination array will have this dtype. Cannot be provided together with *out*.

New in version 1.20.0.

**casting**

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur. Defaults to 'same\_kind'.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****res**

[ndarray] The concatenated array.

**See also:****[ma.concatenate](#)**

Concatenate function that preserves input masks.

**[array\\_split](#)**

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays of equal or near-equal size.

**[split](#)**

Split array into a list of multiple sub-arrays of equal size.

**[hsplit](#)**

Split array into multiple sub-arrays horizontally (column wise).

**[vsplit](#)**

Split array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row wise).

**[dsplit](#)**

Split array into multiple sub-arrays along the 3rd axis (depth).

**[stack](#)**

Stack a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

**`block`**

Assemble arrays from blocks.

**`hstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

**`vstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

**`dstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third dimension).

**`column_stack`**

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

**Notes**

When one or more of the arrays to be concatenated is a MaskedArray, this function will return a MaskedArray object instead of an ndarray, but the input masks are *not* preserved. In cases where a MaskedArray is expected as input, use the ma.concatenate function from the masked array module instead.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> b = np.array([[5, 6]])
>>> np.concatenate((a, b), axis=0)
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4],
       [5, 6]])
>>> np.concatenate((a, b.T), axis=1)
array([[1, 2, 5],
       [3, 4, 6]])
>>> np.concatenate((a, b), axis=None)
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
```

This function will not preserve masking of MaskedArray inputs.

```
>>> a = np.ma.arange(3)
>>> a[1] = np.ma.masked
>>> b = np.arange(2, 5)
>>> a
masked_array(data=[0, --, 2],
              mask=[False,  True, False],
              fill_value=999999)
>>> b
array([2, 3, 4])
>>> np.concatenate([a, b])
masked_array(data=[0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4],
              mask=False,
              fill_value=999999)
>>> np.ma.concatenate([a, b])
masked_array(data=[0, --, 2, 2, 3, 4],
              mask=[False,  True, False, False, False, False],
              fill_value=999999)
```

`numpy.stack(arrays, axis=0, out=None)`

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

The `axis` parameter specifies the index of the new axis in the dimensions of the result. For example, if `axis=0` it will be the first dimension and if `axis=-1` it will be the last dimension.

New in version 1.10.0.

### Parameters

#### `arrays`

[sequence of array\_like] Each array must have the same shape.

#### `axis`

[int, optional] The axis in the result array along which the input arrays are stacked.

#### `out`

[ndarray, optional] If provided, the destination to place the result. The shape must be correct, matching that of what `stack` would have returned if no `out` argument were specified.

### Returns

#### `stacked`

[ndarray] The stacked array has one more dimension than the input arrays.

### See also:

#### `concatenate`

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

#### `block`

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

#### `split`

Split array into a list of multiple sub-arrays of equal size.

### Examples

```
>>> arrays = [np.random.randn(3, 4) for _ in range(10)]
>>> np.stack(arrays, axis=0).shape
(10, 3, 4)
```

```
>>> np.stack(arrays, axis=1).shape
(3, 10, 4)
```

```
>>> np.stack(arrays, axis=2).shape
(3, 4, 10)
```

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> np.stack((a, b))
```

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```
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> np.stack((a, b), axis=-1)
array([[1, 4],
       [2, 5],
       [3, 6]])
```

**numpy.block**(arrays)

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

Blocks in the innermost lists are concatenated (see [concatenate](#)) along the last dimension (-1), then these are concatenated along the second-last dimension (-2), and so on until the outermost list is reached.

Blocks can be of any dimension, but will not be broadcasted using the normal rules. Instead, leading axes of size 1 are inserted, to make `block.ndim` the same for all blocks. This is primarily useful for working with scalars, and means that code like `np.block([v, 1])` is valid, where `v.ndim == 1`.

When the nested list is two levels deep, this allows block matrices to be constructed from their components.

New in version 1.13.0.

**Parameters****arrays**

[nested list of array\_like or scalars (but not tuples)] If passed a single ndarray or scalar (a nested list of depth 0), this is returned unmodified (and not copied).

Elements shapes must match along the appropriate axes (without broadcasting), but leading 1s will be prepended to the shape as necessary to make the dimensions match.

**Returns****block\_array**

[ndarray] The array assembled from the given blocks.

The dimensionality of the output is equal to the greatest of: \* the dimensionality of all the inputs \* the depth to which the input list is nested

**Raises****ValueError**

- If list depths are mismatched - for instance, `[[a, b], c]` is illegal, and should be spelt `[[a, b], [c]]`
- If lists are empty - for instance, `[[a, b], []]`

**See also:****concatenate**

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

**stack**

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

**`vstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

**`hstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

**`dstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

**`column_stack`**

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

**`vsplit`**

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row-wise).

**Notes**

When called with only scalars, `np.block` is equivalent to an `ndarray` call. So `np.block([[1, 2], [3, 4]])` is equivalent to `np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])`.

This function does not enforce that the blocks lie on a fixed grid. `np.block([[a, b], [c, d]])` is not restricted to arrays of the form:

```
AAAab
AAAab
cccDD
```

But is also allowed to produce, for some `a`, `b`, `c`, `d`:

```
AAAab
AAAab
cDDDD
```

Since concatenation happens along the last axis first, `block` is not capable of producing the following directly:

```
AAAbb
cccbb
cccDD
```

Matlab's "square bracket stacking", `[A, B, ...; p, q, ...]`, is equivalent to `np.block([[A, B, ...], [p, q, ...]])`.

**Examples**

The most common use of this function is to build a block matrix

```
>>> A = np.eye(2) * 2
>>> B = np.eye(3) * 3
>>> np.block([
...     [A, np.zeros((2, 3))],
...     [np.ones((3, 2)), B]
... ])
array([[2., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 2., 0., 0., 0.],
```

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```
[1., 1., 3., 0., 0.],
[1., 1., 0., 3., 0.],
[1., 1., 0., 0., 3.])
```

With a list of depth 1, `block` can be used as `hstack`

```
>>> np.block([1, 2, 3])           # hstack([1, 2, 3])
array([1, 2, 3])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> np.block([a, b, 10])         # hstack([a, b, 10])
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10])
```

```
>>> A = np.ones((2, 2), int)
>>> B = 2 * A
>>> np.block([A, B])            # hstack([A, B])
array([[1, 1, 2, 2],
       [1, 1, 2, 2]])
```

With a list of depth 2, `block` can be used in place of `vstack`:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> np.block([[a], [b]])        # vstack([a, b])
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> A = np.ones((2, 2), int)
>>> B = 2 * A
>>> np.block([[A], [B]])        # vstack([A, B])
array([[1, 1],
       [1, 1],
       [2, 2],
       [2, 2]])
```

It can also be used in places of `atleast_1d` and `atleast_2d`

```
>>> a = np.array(0)
>>> b = np.array([1])
>>> np.block([a])               # atleast_1d(a)
array([0])
>>> np.block([b])               # atleast_1d(b)
array([1])
```

```
>>> np.block([[a]])             # atleast_2d(a)
array([[0]])
>>> np.block([[b]])             # atleast_2d(b)
array([[1]])
```

### `numpy.vstack(tup)`

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

This is equivalent to concatenation along the first axis after 1-D arrays of shape  $(N,)$  have been reshaped to  $(1, N)$ . Rebuilds arrays divided by `vsplit`.

This function makes most sense for arrays with up to 3 dimensions. For instance, for pixel-data with a height (first axis), width (second axis), and r/g/b channels (third axis). The functions `concatenate`, `stack` and `block` provide more general stacking and concatenation operations.

### Parameters

#### `tup`

[sequence of ndarrays] The arrays must have the same shape along all but the first axis. 1-D arrays must have the same length.

### Returns

#### `stacked`

[ndarray] The array formed by stacking the given arrays, will be at least 2-D.

### See also:

#### `concatenate`

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

#### `stack`

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

#### `block`

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

#### `hstack`

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

#### `dstack`

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

#### `column_stack`

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

#### `vsplit`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row-wise).

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> np.vstack((a,b))
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[1], [2], [3]])
>>> b = np.array([[4], [5], [6]])
>>> np.vstack((a,b))
array([[1],
       [2],
       [3],
```

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```
[4],  
[5],  
[6]])
```

## numpy.hstack(tup)

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

This is equivalent to concatenation along the second axis, except for 1-D arrays where it concatenates along the first axis. Rebuilds arrays divided by [hsplit](#).

This function makes most sense for arrays with up to 3 dimensions. For instance, for pixel-data with a height (first axis), width (second axis), and r/g/b channels (third axis). The functions [concatenate](#), [stack](#) and [block](#) provide more general stacking and concatenation operations.

### Parameters

#### tup

[sequence of ndarrays] The arrays must have the same shape along all but the second axis, except 1-D arrays which can be any length.

### Returns

#### stacked

[ndarray] The array formed by stacking the given arrays.

### See also:

#### [concatenate](#)

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

#### [stack](#)

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

#### [block](#)

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

#### [vstack](#)

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

#### [dstack](#)

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

#### [column\\_stack](#)

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

#### [hsplit](#)

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays horizontally (column-wise).

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array((1, 2, 3))
>>> b = np.array((4, 5, 6))
>>> np.hstack((a, b))
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
>>> a = np.array([[1], [2], [3]])
>>> b = np.array([[4], [5], [6]])
>>> np.hstack((a, b))
array([[1, 4],
       [2, 5],
       [3, 6]])
```

### `numpy.dstack(tup)`

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

This is equivalent to concatenation along the third axis after 2-D arrays of shape  $(M,N)$  have been reshaped to  $(M,N,1)$  and 1-D arrays of shape  $(N,)$  have been reshaped to  $(1,N,1)$ . Rebuilds arrays divided by `dsplit`.

This function makes most sense for arrays with up to 3 dimensions. For instance, for pixel-data with a height (first axis), width (second axis), and r/g/b channels (third axis). The functions `concatenate`, `stack` and `block` provide more general stacking and concatenation operations.

#### Parameters

##### `tup`

[sequence of arrays] The arrays must have the same shape along all but the third axis. 1-D or 2-D arrays must have the same shape.

#### Returns

##### `stacked`

[ndarray] The array formed by stacking the given arrays, will be at least 3-D.

#### See also:

##### `concatenate`

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

##### `stack`

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

##### `block`

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

##### `vstack`

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

##### `hstack`

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

##### `column_stack`

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

***dsplit***

Split array along third axis.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array((1, 2, 3))
>>> b = np.array((2, 3, 4))
>>> np.dstack((a,b))
array([[[1, 2],
       [2, 3],
       [3, 4]]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[1], [2], [3]])
>>> b = np.array([[2], [3], [4]])
>>> np.dstack((a,b))
array([[[1, 2]],
       [[2, 3]],
       [[3, 4]]])
```

`numpy.column_stack(tup)`

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

Take a sequence of 1-D arrays and stack them as columns to make a single 2-D array. 2-D arrays are stacked as-is, just like with `hstack`. 1-D arrays are turned into 2-D columns first.

**Parameters****tup**

[sequence of 1-D or 2-D arrays.] Arrays to stack. All of them must have the same first dimension.

**Returns****stacked**

[2-D array] The array formed by stacking the given arrays.

**See also:**

`stack, hstack, vstack, concatenate`

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array((1, 2, 3))
>>> b = np.array((2, 3, 4))
>>> np.column_stack((a,b))
array([[1, 2],
       [2, 3],
       [3, 4]])
```

`numpy.row_stack(tup)`

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

This is equivalent to concatenation along the first axis after 1-D arrays of shape  $(N,)$  have been reshaped to  $(1,N)$ . Rebuilds arrays divided by `vsplit`.

This function makes most sense for arrays with up to 3 dimensions. For instance, for pixel-data with a height (first axis), width (second axis), and r/g/b channels (third axis). The functions `concatenate`, `stack` and `block` provide more general stacking and concatenation operations.

**Parameters**

**tup**

[sequence of ndarrays] The arrays must have the same shape along all but the first axis. 1-D arrays must have the same length.

**Returns**

**stacked**

[ndarray] The array formed by stacking the given arrays, will be at least 2-D.

**See also:**

**`concatenate`**

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

**`stack`**

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

**`block`**

Assemble an nd-array from nested lists of blocks.

**`hstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

**`dstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third axis).

**`column_stack`**

Stack 1-D arrays as columns into a 2-D array.

**`vsplit`**

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row-wise).

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([4, 5, 6])
>>> np.vstack((a,b))
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[1], [2], [3]])
>>> b = np.array([[4], [5], [6]])
>>> np.vstack((a,b))
array([[1],
       [2],
       [3],
       [4],
       [5],
       [6]])
```

## 5.2.7 Splitting arrays

<code>split(ary, indices_or_sections[, axis])</code>	Split an array into multiple sub-arrays as views into <i>ary</i> .
<code>array_split(ary, indices_or_sections[, axis])</code>	Split an array into multiple sub-arrays.
<code>dsplit(ary, indices_or_sections)</code>	Split array into multiple sub-arrays along the 3rd axis (depth).
<code>hsplit(ary, indices_or_sections)</code>	Split an array into multiple sub-arrays horizontally (column-wise).
<code>vsplit(ary, indices_or_sections)</code>	Split an array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row-wise).

`numpy.split(ary, indices_or_sections, axis=0)`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays as views into *ary*.

### Parameters

#### ary

[ndarray] Array to be divided into sub-arrays.

#### indices\_or\_sections

[int or 1-D array] If *indices\_or\_sections* is an integer, N, the array will be divided into N equal arrays along *axis*. If such a split is not possible, an error is raised.

If *indices\_or\_sections* is a 1-D array of sorted integers, the entries indicate where along *axis* the array is split. For example, [2, 3] would, for *axis*=0, result in

- ary[:2]
- ary[2:3]
- ary[3:]

If an index exceeds the dimension of the array along *axis*, an empty sub-array is returned correspondingly.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis along which to split, default is 0.

**Returns**

**sub-arrays**

[list of ndarrays] A list of sub-arrays as views into *ary*.

**Raises**

**ValueError**

If *indices\_or\_sections* is given as an integer, but a split does not result in equal division.

**See also:**

**`array_split`**

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays of equal or near-equal size. Does not raise an exception if an equal division cannot be made.

**`hsplit`**

Split array into multiple sub-arrays horizontally (column-wise).

**`vsplit`**

Split array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row wise).

**`dsplit`**

Split array into multiple sub-arrays along the 3rd axis (depth).

**`concatenate`**

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

**`stack`**

Join a sequence of arrays along a new axis.

**`hstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise).

**`vstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence vertically (row wise).

**`dstack`**

Stack arrays in sequence depth wise (along third dimension).

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(9.0)
>>> np.split(x, 3)
[array([0., 1., 2.]), array([3., 4., 5.]), array([6., 7., 8.])]
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(8.0)
>>> np.split(x, [3, 5, 6, 10])
[array([0., 1., 2.]),
 array([3., 4.]),
 array([5.]),
 array([6., 7.]),
 array([], dtype=float64)]
```

`numpy.array_split (ary, indices_or_sections, axis=0)`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays.

Please refer to the `split` documentation. The only difference between these functions is that `array_split` allows `indices_or_sections` to be an integer that does *not* equally divide the axis. For an array of length  $l$  that should be split into  $n$  sections, it returns  $l \div n + 1$  sub-arrays of size  $l/n + 1$  and the rest of size  $l/n$ .

See also:

[`split`](#)

Split array into multiple sub-arrays of equal size.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(8.0)
>>> np.array_split(x, 3)
[array([0., 1., 2.]), array([3., 4., 5.]), array([6., 7.])]
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(9)
>>> np.array_split(x, 4)
[array([0, 1, 2]), array([3, 4]), array([5, 6]), array([7, 8])]
```

`numpy.dsplit (ary, indices_or_sections)`

Split array into multiple sub-arrays along the 3rd axis (depth).

Please refer to the `split` documentation. `dsplit` is equivalent to `split` with `axis=2`, the array is always split along the third axis provided the array dimension is greater than or equal to 3.

See also:

[`split`](#)

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays of equal size.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(16.0).reshape(2, 2, 4)
>>> x
array([[[ 0.,   1.,   2.,   3.],
       [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.]],
      [[ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.],
       [12.,  13.,  14.,  15.]]])
>>> np.dsplit(x, 2)
[array([[ 0.,   1.],
       [ 4.,   5.]],
      [[ 8.,   9.],
       [12.,  13.]]], array([[ 2.,   3.],
       [ 6.,   7.]],
      [[10.,  11.],
       [14.,  15.]]])
>>> np.dsplit(x, np.array([3, 6]))
[array([[ 0.,   1.,   2.],
       [ 4.,   5.,   6.]],
      [[ 8.,   9.,  10.],
       [12.,  13.,  14.]]],
array([[ 3.],
       [ 7.]],
      [[11.],
       [15.]]],
array([], shape=(2, 2, 0), dtype=float64)]
```

`numpy.hsplit (ary, indices_or_sections)`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays horizontally (column-wise).

Please refer to the [split](#) documentation. `hsplit` is equivalent to `split` with `axis=1`, the array is always split along the second axis except for 1-D arrays, where it is split at `axis=0`.

**See also:**

[`split`](#)

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays of equal size.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(16.0).reshape(4, 4)
>>> x
array([[ 0.,   1.,   2.,   3.],
       [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.],
       [ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.],
       [12.,  13.,  14.,  15.]])
>>> np.hsplit(x, 2)
[array([[ 0.,   1.],
       [ 4.,   5.]],
      [[ 8.,   9.],
       [12.,  13.]]],
array([[ 2.,   3.],
       [ 6.,   7.]],
      [[10.,  11.],
       [14.,  15.]]])
```

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```
>>> np.hsplit(x, np.array([3, 6]))
[array([[ 0.,   1.,   2.],
       [ 4.,   5.,   6.],
       [ 8.,   9.,  10.],
       [12.,  13.,  14.]]),
 array([[ 3.],
       [ 7.],
       [11.],
       [15.]]),
 array([], shape=(4, 0), dtype=float64)]
```

With a higher dimensional array the split is still along the second axis.

```
>>> x = np.arange(8.0).reshape(2, 2, 2)
>>> x
array([[[0.,  1.],
       [2.,  3.]],
      [[4.,  5.],
       [6.,  7.]]])
>>> np.hsplit(x, 2)
[array([[0.,  1.],
       [4.,  5.]]),
 array([[2.,  3.],
       [6.,  7.]]])
```

With a 1-D array, the split is along axis 0.

```
>>> x = np.array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
>>> np.hsplit(x, 2)
[array([0, 1, 2]), array([3, 4, 5])]
```

`numpy.vsplit(ary, indices_or_sections)`

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays vertically (row-wise).

Please refer to the `split` documentation. `vsplit` is equivalent to `split` with `axis=0` (default), the array is always split along the first axis regardless of the array dimension.

**See also:**

[`split`](#)

Split an array into multiple sub-arrays of equal size.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(16.0).reshape(4, 4)
>>> x
array([[ 0.,   1.,   2.,   3.],
       [ 4.,   5.,   6.,   7.],
       [ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.],
       [12.,  13.,  14.,  15.]])
>>> np.vsplit(x, 2)
[array([[0.,  1.,  2.,  3.],
       [4.,  5.,  6.,  7.]]), array([[ 8.,   9.,  10.,  11.],
       [12.,  13.,  14.,  15.]])]
```

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```
>>> np.vsplit(x, np.array([3, 6]))
[array([[ 0.,  1.,  2.,  3.],
       [ 4.,  5.,  6.,  7.],
       [ 8.,  9., 10., 11.]]), array([[12., 13., 14., 15.]]), array([], shape=(0, 4),
       dtype=float64)]
```

With a higher dimensional array the split is still along the first axis.

```
>>> x = np.arange(8.0).reshape(2, 2, 2)
>>> x
array([[[0.,  1.],
       [2.,  3.]],
      [[4.,  5.],
       [6.,  7.]]])
>>> np.vsplit(x, 2)
[array([[[0., 1.],
       [2., 3.]]], array([[[4., 5.],
       [6., 7.]]]])
```

## 5.2.8 Tiling arrays

`tile(A, reps)`

Construct an array by repeating A the number of times given by reps.

`repeat(a, repeats[, axis])`

Repeat elements of an array.

`numpy.tile(A, reps)`

Construct an array by repeating A the number of times given by reps.

If `reps` has length d, the result will have dimension of `max(d, A.ndim)`.

If `A.ndim < d`, `A` is promoted to be d-dimensional by prepending new axes. So a shape (3,) array is promoted to (1, 3) for 2-D replication, or shape (1, 1, 3) for 3-D replication. If this is not the desired behavior, promote `A` to d-dimensions manually before calling this function.

If `A.ndim > d`, `reps` is promoted to `A.ndim` by pre-pending 1's to it. Thus for an `A` of shape (2, 3, 4, 5), a `reps` of (2, 2) is treated as (1, 1, 2, 2).

Note : Although `tile` may be used for broadcasting, it is strongly recommended to use `numpy`'s broadcasting operations and functions.

### Parameters

**A**

[array\_like] The input array.

**reps**

[array\_like] The number of repetitions of `A` along each axis.

### Returns

**c**

[ndarray] The tiled output array.

See also:

[`repeat`](#)

Repeat elements of an array.

[`broadcast\_to`](#)

Broadcast an array to a new shape

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([0, 1, 2])
>>> np.tile(a, 2)
array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2])
>>> np.tile(a, (2, 2))
array([[0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2],
       [0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]])
>>> np.tile(a, (2, 1, 2))
array([[[0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]],
       [[0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2]]])
```

```
>>> b = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> np.tile(b, 2)
array([[1, 2, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 3, 4]])
>>> np.tile(b, (2, 1))
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4],
       [1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
```

```
>>> c = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> np.tile(c, (4, 1))
array([[1, 2, 3, 4],
       [1, 2, 3, 4],
       [1, 2, 3, 4],
       [1, 2, 3, 4]])
```

`numpy.repeat(a, repeats, axis=None)`

Repeat elements of an array.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array.

#### repeats

[int or array of ints] The number of repetitions for each element. *repeats* is broadcasted to fit the shape of the given axis.

#### axis

[int, optional] The axis along which to repeat values. By default, use the flattened input array, and return a flat output array.

### Returns

**repeated\_array**

[ndarray] Output array which has the same shape as *a*, except along the given axis.

**See also:**

**tile**

Tile an array.

**unique**

Find the unique elements of an array.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.repeat(3, 4)
array([3, 3, 3, 3])
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> np.repeat(x, 2)
array([1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4])
>>> np.repeat(x, 3, axis=1)
array([[1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2],
       [3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4]])
>>> np.repeat(x, [1, 2], axis=0)
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4],
       [3, 4]])
```

**5.2.9 Adding and removing elements**

<code>delete(arr, obj[, axis])</code>	Return a new array with sub-arrays along an axis deleted.
<code>insert(arr, obj, values[, axis])</code>	Insert values along the given axis before the given indices.
<code>append(arr, values[, axis])</code>	Append values to the end of an array.
<code>resize(a, new_shape)</code>	Return a new array with the specified shape.
<code>trim_zeros(filt[, trim])</code>	Trim the leading and/or trailing zeros from a 1-D array or sequence.
<code>unique(ar[, return_index, return_inverse, ...])</code>	Find the unique elements of an array.

`numpy.delete(arr, obj, axis=None)`

Return a new array with sub-arrays along an axis deleted. For a one dimensional array, this returns those entries not returned by *arr[obj]*.

**Parameters****arr**

[array\_like] Input array.

**obj**

[slice, int or array of ints] Indicate indices of sub-arrays to remove along the specified axis.

Changed in version 1.19.0: Boolean indices are now treated as a mask of elements to remove, rather than being cast to the integers 0 and 1.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis along which to delete the subarray defined by *obj*. If *axis* is None, *obj* is applied to the flattened array.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] A copy of *arr* with the elements specified by *obj* removed. Note that `delete` does not occur in-place. If *axis* is None, *out* is a flattened array.

**See also:**

**`insert`**

Insert elements into an array.

**`append`**

Append elements at the end of an array.

**Notes**

Often it is preferable to use a boolean mask. For example:

```
>>> arr = np.arange(12) + 1
>>> mask = np.ones(len(arr), dtype=bool)
>>> mask[[0,2,4]] = False
>>> result = arr[mask,...]
```

Is equivalent to `np.delete(arr, [0,2,4], axis=0)`, but allows further use of *mask*.

**Examples**

```
>>> arr = np.array([[1,2,3,4], [5,6,7,8], [9,10,11,12]])
>>> arr
array([[ 1,  2,  3,  4],
       [ 5,  6,  7,  8],
       [ 9, 10, 11, 12]])
>>> np.delete(arr, 1, 0)
array([[ 1,  2,  3,  4],
       [ 9, 10, 11, 12]])
```

```
>>> np.delete(arr, np.s_[:,1])
array([[ 2,  4],
       [ 6,  8],
       [10, 12]])
>>> np.delete(arr, [1,3,5], None)
array([ 1,  3,  5,  7,  8,  9, 10, 11, 12])
```

`numpy.insert(arr, obj, values, axis=None)`

Insert values along the given axis before the given indices.

**Parameters**

**arr**

[array\_like] Input array.

**obj**

[int, slice or sequence of ints] Object that defines the index or indices before which *values* is inserted.

New in version 1.8.0.

Support for multiple insertions when *obj* is a single scalar or a sequence with one element (similar to calling `insert` multiple times).

**values**

[array\_like] Values to insert into *arr*. If the type of *values* is different from that of *arr*, *values* is converted to the type of *arr*. *values* should be shaped so that `arr[..., obj, ...] = values` is legal.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to insert *values*. If *axis* is None then *arr* is flattened first.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] A copy of *arr* with *values* inserted. Note that `insert` does not occur in-place: a new array is returned. If *axis* is None, *out* is a flattened array.

**See also:****`append`**

Append elements at the end of an array.

**`concatenate`**

Join a sequence of arrays along an existing axis.

**`delete`**

Delete elements from an array.

**Notes**

Note that for higher dimensional inserts `obj=0` behaves very different from `obj=[0]` just like `arr[:, 0, :] = values` is different from `arr[:, [0], :] = values`.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 1], [2, 2], [3, 3]])
>>> a
array([[1, 1],
       [2, 2],
       [3, 3]])
>>> np.insert(a, 1, 5)
array([1, 5, 1, ..., 2, 3, 3])
```

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```
>>> np.insert(a, 1, 5, axis=1)
array([[1, 5, 1],
       [2, 5, 2],
       [3, 5, 3]])
```

Difference between sequence and scalars:

```
>>> np.insert(a, [1], [[1],[2],[3]], axis=1)
array([[1, 1, 1],
       [2, 2, 2],
       [3, 3, 3]])
>>> np.array_equal(np.insert(a, 1, [1, 2, 3], axis=1),
...                  np.insert(a, [1], [[1],[2],[3]], axis=1))
True
```

```
>>> b = a.flatten()
>>> b
array([1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3])
>>> np.insert(b, [2, 2], [5, 6])
array([1, 1, 5, ..., 2, 3, 3])
```

```
>>> np.insert(b, slice(2, 4), [5, 6])
array([1, 1, 5, ..., 2, 3, 3])
```

```
>>> np.insert(b, [2, 2], [7.13, False]) # type casting
array([1, 1, 7, ..., 2, 3, 3])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(8).reshape(2, 4)
>>> idx = (1, 3)
>>> np.insert(x, idx, 999, axis=1)
array([[ 0, 999,  1,  2, 999,  3],
       [ 4, 999,  5,  6, 999,  7]])
```

`numpy.append(arr, values, axis=None)`

Append values to the end of an array.

### Parameters

#### arr

[array\_like] Values are appended to a copy of this array.

#### values

[array\_like] These values are appended to a copy of *arr*. It must be of the correct shape (the same shape as *arr*, excluding *axis*). If *axis* is not specified, *values* can be any shape and will be flattened before use.

#### axis

[int, optional] The axis along which *values* are appended. If *axis* is not given, both *arr* and *values* are flattened before use.

### Returns

#### append

[ndarray] A copy of *arr* with *values* appended to *axis*. Note that *append* does not occur in-place: a new array is allocated and filled. If *axis* is None, *out* is a flattened array.

See also:

[`insert`](#)

Insert elements into an array.

[`delete`](#)

Delete elements from an array.

## Examples

```
>>> np.append([1, 2, 3], [[4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
array([1, 2, 3, ..., 7, 8, 9])
```

When *axis* is specified, *values* must have the correct shape.

```
>>> np.append([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], [[7, 8, 9]], axis=0)
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6],
       [7, 8, 9]])
>>> np.append([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], [7, 8, 9], axis=0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: all the input arrays must have same number of dimensions, but
the array at index 0 has 2 dimension(s) and the array at index 1 has 1
dimension(s)
```

## `numpy.resize(a, new_shape)`

Return a new array with the specified shape.

If the new array is larger than the original array, then the new array is filled with repeated copies of *a*. Note that this behavior is different from *a.resize(new\_shape)* which fills with zeros instead of repeated copies of *a*.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Array to be resized.

**new\_shape**

[int or tuple of int] Shape of resized array.

### Returns

**reshaped\_array**

[ndarray] The new array is formed from the data in the old array, repeated if necessary to fill out the required number of elements. The data are repeated iterating over the array in C-order.

See also:

[`numpy.reshape`](#)

Reshape an array without changing the total size.

**`numpy.pad`**

Enlarge and pad an array.

**`numpy.repeat`**

Repeat elements of an array.

**`ndarray.resize`**

resize an array in-place.

**Notes**

When the total size of the array does not change `reshape` should be used. In most other cases either indexing (to reduce the size) or padding (to increase the size) may be a more appropriate solution.

Warning: This functionality does **not** consider axes separately, i.e. it does not apply interpolation/extrapolation. It fills the return array with the required number of elements, iterating over  $a$  in C-order, disregarding axes (and cycling back from the start if the new shape is larger). This functionality is therefore not suitable to resize images, or data where each axis represents a separate and distinct entity.

**Examples**

```
>>> a=np.array([[0,1],[2,3]])
>>> np.resize(a,(2,3))
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 0, 1]])
>>> np.resize(a,(1,4))
array([[0, 1, 2, 3]])
>>> np.resize(a,(2,4))
array([[0, 1, 2, 3],
       [0, 1, 2, 3]])
```

**`numpy.trim_zeros (filt, trim='fb')`**

Trim the leading and/or trailing zeros from a 1-D array or sequence.

**Parameters****`filt`**

[1-D array or sequence] Input array.

**`trim`**

[str, optional] A string with ‘f’ representing trim from front and ‘b’ to trim from back. Default is ‘fb’, trim zeros from both front and back of the array.

**Returns****`trimmed`**

[1-D array or sequence] The result of trimming the input. The input data type is preserved.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array((0, 0, 0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 2, 1, 0))
>>> np.trim_zeros(a)
array([1, 2, 3, 0, 2, 1])
```

```
>>> np.trim_zeros(a, 'b')
array([0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 2, 1])
```

The input data type is preserved, list/tuple in means list/tuple out.

```
>>> np.trim_zeros([0, 1, 2, 0])
[1, 2]
```

`numpy.unique(ar, return_index=False, return_inverse=False, return_counts=False, axis=None, *, equal_nan=True)`

Find the unique elements of an array.

Returns the sorted unique elements of an array. There are three optional outputs in addition to the unique elements:

- the indices of the input array that give the unique values
- the indices of the unique array that reconstruct the input array
- the number of times each unique value comes up in the input array

### Parameters

#### ar

[array\_like] Input array. Unless `axis` is specified, this will be flattened if it is not already 1-D.

#### return\_index

[bool, optional] If True, also return the indices of `ar` (along the specified axis, if provided, or in the flattened array) that result in the unique array.

#### return\_inverse

[bool, optional] If True, also return the indices of the unique array (for the specified axis, if provided) that can be used to reconstruct `ar`.

#### return\_counts

[bool, optional] If True, also return the number of times each unique item appears in `ar`.

#### axis

[int or None, optional] The axis to operate on. If None, `ar` will be flattened. If an integer, the subarrays indexed by the given axis will be flattened and treated as the elements of a 1-D array with the dimension of the given axis, see the notes for more details. Object arrays or structured arrays that contain objects are not supported if the `axis` kwarg is used. The default is None.

New in version 1.13.0.

#### equal\_nan

[bool, optional] If True, collapses multiple NaN values in the return array into one.

New in version 1.24.

### Returns

**unique**

[ndarray] The sorted unique values.

**unique\_indices**

[ndarray, optional] The indices of the first occurrences of the unique values in the original array. Only provided if *return\_index* is True.

**unique\_inverse**

[ndarray, optional] The indices to reconstruct the original array from the unique array. Only provided if *return\_inverse* is True.

**unique\_counts**

[ndarray, optional] The number of times each of the unique values comes up in the original array. Only provided if *return\_counts* is True.

New in version 1.9.0.

**See also:****[numpy.lib.arraysetops](#)**

Module with a number of other functions for performing set operations on arrays.

**[repeat](#)**

Repeat elements of an array.

**Notes**

When an axis is specified the subarrays indexed by the axis are sorted. This is done by making the specified axis the first dimension of the array (move the axis to the first dimension to keep the order of the other axes) and then flattening the subarrays in C order. The flattened subarrays are then viewed as a structured type with each element given a label, with the effect that we end up with a 1-D array of structured types that can be treated in the same way as any other 1-D array. The result is that the flattened subarrays are sorted in lexicographic order starting with the first element.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.unique([1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3])
array([1, 2, 3])
>>> a = np.array([[1, 1], [2, 3]])
>>> np.unique(a)
array([1, 2, 3])
```

Return the unique rows of a 2D array

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 0, 0], [1, 0, 0], [2, 3, 4]])
>>> np.unique(a, axis=0)
array([[1, 0, 0], [2, 3, 4]])
```

Return the indices of the original array that give the unique values:

```
>>> a = np.array(['a', 'b', 'b', 'c', 'a'])
>>> u, indices = np.unique(a, return_index=True)
>>> u
array(['a', 'b', 'c'], dtype='<U1')
>>> indices
array([0, 1, 3])
>>> a[indices]
array(['a', 'b', 'c'], dtype='<U1')
```

Reconstruct the input array from the unique values and inverse:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 6, 4, 2, 3, 2])
>>> u, indices = np.unique(a, return_inverse=True)
>>> u
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 6])
>>> indices
array([0, 1, 4, 3, 1, 2, 1])
>>> u[indices]
array([1, 2, 6, 4, 2, 3, 2])
```

Reconstruct the input values from the unique values and counts:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 6, 4, 2, 3, 2])
>>> values, counts = np.unique(a, return_counts=True)
>>> values
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 6])
>>> counts
array([1, 3, 1, 1, 1])
>>> np.repeat(values, counts)
array([1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 4, 6])      # original order not preserved
```

## 5.2.10 Rearranging elements

<code>flip(m[, axis])</code>	Reverse the order of elements in an array along the given axis.
<code>fliplr(m)</code>	Reverse the order of elements along axis 1 (left/right).
<code>flipud(m)</code>	Reverse the order of elements along axis 0 (up/down).
<code>reshape(a, newshape[, order])</code>	Gives a new shape to an array without changing its data.
<code>roll(a, shift[, axis])</code>	Roll array elements along a given axis.
<code>rot90(m[, k, axes])</code>	Rotate an array by 90 degrees in the plane specified by axes.

`numpy.flip(m, axis=None)`

Reverse the order of elements in an array along the given axis.

The shape of the array is preserved, but the elements are reordered.

New in version 1.12.0.

### Parameters

**m**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which to flip over. The default, axis=None, will flip over all of the axes of the input array. If axis is negative it counts from the last to the first axis.

If axis is a tuple of ints, flipping is performed on all of the axes specified in the tuple.

Changed in version 1.15.0: None and tuples of axes are supported

**Returns****out**

[array\_like] A view of  $m$  with the entries of axis reversed. Since a view is returned, this operation is done in constant time.

**See also:****[flipud](#)**

Flip an array vertically (axis=0).

**[fliplr](#)**

Flip an array horizontally (axis=1).

**Notes**

`flip(m, 0)` is equivalent to `flipud(m)`.

`flip(m, 1)` is equivalent to `fliplr(m)`.

`flip(m, n)` corresponds to  $m[\dots, ::-1, \dots]$  with  $::-1$  at position  $n$ .

`flip(m)` corresponds to  $m[::-1, ::-1, \dots, ::-1]$  with  $::-1$  at all positions.

`flip(m, (0, 1))` corresponds to  $m[::-1, ::-1, \dots]$  with  $::-1$  at position 0 and position 1.

**Examples**

```
>>> A = np.arange(8).reshape((2,2,2))
>>> A
array([[[0, 1],
       [2, 3]],
      [[4, 5],
       [6, 7]]])
>>> np.flip(A, 0)
array([[[4, 5],
       [6, 7]],
      [[0, 1],
       [2, 3]]])
>>> np.flip(A, 1)
array([[[2, 3],
       [0, 1]],
      [[6, 7],
       [4, 5]]])
>>> np.flip(A)
```

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```
array([[[7, 6],
       [5, 4]],
      [[3, 2],
       [1, 0]]])
>>> np.flip(A, (0, 2))
array([[[5, 4],
       [7, 6]],
      [[1, 0],
       [3, 2]]])
>>> A = np.random.randn(3, 4, 5)
>>> np.all(np.flip(A, 2) == A[:, :, ::-1, ...])
True
```

## numpy.`fliplr`(*m*)

Reverse the order of elements along axis 1 (left/right).

For a 2-D array, this flips the entries in each row in the left/right direction. Columns are preserved, but appear in a different order than before.

### Parameters

#### **m**

[array\_like] Input array, must be at least 2-D.

### >Returns

#### **f**

[ndarray] A view of *m* with the columns reversed. Since a view is returned, this operation is  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ .

### See also:

#### [`flipud`](#)

Flip array in the up/down direction.

#### [`flip`](#)

Flip array in one or more dimensions.

#### [`rot90`](#)

Rotate array counterclockwise.

### Notes

Equivalent to `m[:, ::-1]` or `np.flip(m, axis=1)`. Requires the array to be at least 2-D.

## Examples

```
>>> A = np.diag([1., 2., 3.])
>>> A
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  2.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  3.]])
>>> np.fliplr(A)
array([[0.,  0.,  1.],
       [0.,  2.,  0.],
       [3.,  0.,  0.]])
```

```
>>> A = np.random.randn(2, 3, 5)
>>> np.all(np.fliplr(A) == A[:, ::-1, ...])
True
```

`numpy.flipud(m)`

Reverse the order of elements along axis 0 (up/down).

For a 2-D array, this flips the entries in each column in the up/down direction. Rows are preserved, but appear in a different order than before.

### Parameters

#### **m**

[array\_like] Input array.

### Returns

#### **out**

[array\_like] A view of *m* with the rows reversed. Since a view is returned, this operation is  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ .

See also:

[`fliplr`](#)

Flip array in the left/right direction.

[`flip`](#)

Flip array in one or more dimensions.

[`rot90`](#)

Rotate array counterclockwise.

## Notes

Equivalent to `m[::-1, ...]` or `np.flip(m, axis=0)`. Requires the array to be at least 1-D.

## Examples

```
>>> A = np.diag([1.0, 2, 3])
>>> A
array([[1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 2., 0.],
       [0., 0., 3.]])
>>> np.flipud(A)
array([[0., 0., 3.],
       [0., 2., 0.],
       [1., 0., 0.]])
```

```
>>> A = np.random.randn(2,3,5)
>>> np.all(np.flipud(A) == A[::-1,...])
True
```

```
>>> np.flipud([1,2])
array([2, 1])
```

`numpy.roll(a, shift, axis=None)`

Roll array elements along a given axis.

Elements that roll beyond the last position are re-introduced at the first.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**shift**

[int or tuple of ints] The number of places by which elements are shifted. If a tuple, then `axis` must be a tuple of the same size, and each of the given axes is shifted by the corresponding number. If an int while `axis` is a tuple of ints, then the same value is used for all given axes.

**axis**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which elements are shifted. By default, the array is flattened before shifting, after which the original shape is restored.

### Returns

**res**

[ndarray] Output array, with the same shape as `a`.

**See also:**

**`rollaxis`**

Roll the specified axis backwards, until it lies in a given position.

## Notes

New in version 1.12.0.

Supports rolling over multiple dimensions simultaneously.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(10)
>>> np.roll(x, 2)
array([8, 9, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7])
>>> np.roll(x, -2)
array([2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 0, 1])
```

```
>>> x2 = np.reshape(x, (2, 5))
>>> x2
array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]])
>>> np.roll(x2, 1)
array([[9, 0, 1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6, 7, 8]])
>>> np.roll(x2, -1)
array([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5],
       [6, 7, 8, 9, 0]])
>>> np.roll(x2, 1, axis=0)
array([[5, 6, 7, 8, 9],
       [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]])
>>> np.roll(x2, -1, axis=0)
array([[5, 6, 7, 8, 9],
       [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]])
>>> np.roll(x2, 1, axis=1)
array([[4, 0, 1, 2, 3],
       [9, 5, 6, 7, 8]])
>>> np.roll(x2, -1, axis=1)
array([[1, 2, 3, 4, 0],
       [6, 7, 8, 9, 5]])
>>> np.roll(x2, (1, 1), axis=(1, 0))
array([[9, 5, 6, 7, 8],
       [4, 0, 1, 2, 3]])
>>> np.roll(x2, (2, 1), axis=(1, 0))
array([[8, 9, 5, 6, 7],
       [3, 4, 0, 1, 2]])
```

`numpy.rot90(m, k=1, axes=(0, 1))`

Rotate an array by 90 degrees in the plane specified by axes.

Rotation direction is from the first towards the second axis.

### Parameters

#### m

[array\_like] Array of two or more dimensions.

#### k

[integer] Number of times the array is rotated by 90 degrees.

**axes**

[(2,) array\_like] The array is rotated in the plane defined by the axes. Axes must be different.

New in version 1.12.0.

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] A rotated view of *m*.

**See also:****[flip](#)**

Reverse the order of elements in an array along the given axis.

**[fliplr](#)**

Flip an array horizontally.

**[flipud](#)**

Flip an array vertically.

**Notes**

`rot90(m, k=1, axes=(1,0))` is the reverse of `rot90(m, k=1, axes=(0,1))`

`rot90(m, k=1, axes=(1,0))` is equivalent to `rot90(m, k=-1, axes=(0,1))`

**Examples**

```
>>> m = np.array([[1,2],[3,4]], int)
>>> m
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
>>> np.rot90(m)
array([[2, 4],
       [1, 3]])
>>> np.rot90(m, 2)
array([[4, 3],
       [2, 1]])
>>> m = np.arange(8).reshape((2,2,2))
>>> np.rot90(m, 1, (1,2))
array([[[1, 3],
         [0, 2]],
        [[5, 7],
         [4, 6]]])
```

## 5.3 Binary operations

### 5.3.1 Elementwise bit operations

<code>bitwise_and(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Compute the bit-wise AND of two arrays element-wise.
<code>bitwise_or(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Compute the bit-wise OR of two arrays element-wise.
<code>bitwise_xor(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Compute the bit-wise XOR of two arrays element-wise.
<code>invert(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute bit-wise inversion, or bit-wise NOT, element-wise.
<code>left_shift(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Shift the bits of an integer to the left.
<code>right_shift(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Shift the bits of an integer to the right.

```
numpy.bitwise_and(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'bitwise_and'>
```

Compute the bit-wise AND of two arrays element-wise.

Computes the bit-wise AND of the underlying binary representation of the integers in the input arrays. This ufunc implements the C/Python operator `&`.

#### Parameters

##### x1, x2

[array\_like] Only integer and boolean types are handled. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

##### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

##### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

##### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

#### Returns

##### out

[ndarray or scalar] Result. This is a scalar if both `x1` and `x2` are scalars.

#### See also:

`logical_and`

`bitwise_or`

`bitwise_xor`

***binary\_repr***

Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.

**Examples**

The number 13 is represented by 00001101. Likewise, 17 is represented by 00010001. The bit-wise AND of 13 and 17 is therefore 00000001, or 1:

```
>>> np.bitwise_and(13, 17)
1
```

```
>>> np.bitwise_and(14, 13)
12
>>> np.binary_repr(12)
'1100'
>>> np.bitwise_and([14, 3], 13)
array([12,  1])
```

```
>>> np.bitwise_and([11, 7], [4, 25])
array([0, 1])
>>> np.bitwise_and(np.array([2, 5, 255]), np.array([3, 14, 16]))
array([ 2,  4, 16])
>>> np.bitwise_and([True, True], [False, True])
array([False,  True])
```

The & operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.bitwise_and` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.array([2, 5, 255])
>>> x2 = np.array([3, 14, 16])
>>> x1 & x2
array([ 2,  4, 16])
```

`numpy.bitwise_or(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'bitwise_or'>`

Compute the bit-wise OR of two arrays element-wise.

Computes the bit-wise OR of the underlying binary representation of the integers in the input arrays. This ufunc implements the C/Python operator | .

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like] Only integer and boolean types are handled. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain

its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Result. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

### See also:

[logical\\_or](#)

[bitwise\\_and](#)

[bitwise\\_xor](#)

[binary\\_repr](#)

Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.

### Examples

The number 13 has the binary representation 00001101. Likewise, 16 is represented by 00010000. The bitwise OR of 13 and 16 is then 000111011, or 29:

```
>>> np.bitwise_or(13, 16)
29
>>> np.binary_repr(29)
'11101'
```

```
>>> np.bitwise_or(32, 2)
34
>>> np.bitwise_or([33, 4], 1)
array([33,  5])
>>> np.bitwise_or([33, 4], [1, 2])
array([33,  6])
```

```
>>> np.bitwise_or(np.array([2, 5, 255]), np.array([4, 4, 4]))
array([ 6,  5, 255])
>>> np.array([2, 5, 255]) | np.array([4, 4, 4])
array([ 6,  5, 255])
>>> np.bitwise_or(np.array([2, 5, 255, 2147483647], dtype=np.int32),
...                 np.array([4, 4, 4, 2147483647], dtype=np.int32))
array([ 6,  5, 255, 2147483647])
>>> np.bitwise_or([True, True], [False, True])
array([ True,  True])
```

The `|` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.bitwise_or` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.array([2, 5, 255])
>>> x2 = np.array([4, 4, 4])
>>> x1 | x2
array([ 6,  5, 255])
```

```
numpy.bitwise_xor(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None,
                   subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'bitwise_xor'>
```

Compute the bit-wise XOR of two arrays element-wise.

Computes the bit-wise XOR of the underlying binary representation of the integers in the input arrays. This ufunc implements the C/Python operator `^`.

### Parameters

#### x1, x2

[array\_like] Only integer and boolean types are handled. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Result. This is a scalar if both `x1` and `x2` are scalars.

### See also:

[`logical\_xor`](#)

[`bitwise\_and`](#)

[`bitwise\_or`](#)

[`binary\_repr`](#)

Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.

## Examples

The number 13 is represented by 00001101. Likewise, 17 is represented by 00010001. The bit-wise XOR of 13 and 17 is therefore 00011100, or 28:

```
>>> np.bitwise_xor(13, 17)
28
>>> np.binary_repr(28)
'11100'
```

```
>>> np.bitwise_xor(31, 5)
26
>>> np.bitwise_xor([31,3], 5)
array([26,  6])
```

```
>>> np.bitwise_xor([31,3], [5,6])
array([26,  5])
>>> np.bitwise_xor([True, True], [False, True])
array([ True, False])
```

The `^` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.bitwise_xor` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.array([True, True])
>>> x2 = np.array([False, True])
>>> x1 ^ x2
array([ True, False])
```

`numpy.invert(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'invert'>`

Compute bit-wise inversion, or bit-wise NOT, element-wise.

Computes the bit-wise NOT of the underlying binary representation of the integers in the input arrays. This ufunc implements the C/Python operator `~`.

For signed integer inputs, the two's complement is returned. In a two's-complement system negative numbers are represented by the two's complement of the absolute value. This is the most common method of representing signed integers on computers [1]. A N-bit two's-complement system can represent every integer in the range  $-2^{N-1}$  to  $+2^{N-1} - 1$ .

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Only integer and boolean types are handled.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is `True`, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is `False` will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Result. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:**

[`bitwise\_and`](#), [`bitwise\_or`](#), [`bitwise\_xor`](#)

[`logical\_not`](#)

[`binary\_repr`](#)

Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.

**Notes**

`bitwise_not` is an alias for `invert`:

```
>>> np.bitwise_not is np.invert
True
```

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

We've seen that 13 is represented by 00001101. The invert or bit-wise NOT of 13 is then:

```
>>> x = np.invert(np.array(13, dtype=np.uint8))
>>> x
242
>>> np.binary_repr(x, width=8)
'11110010'
```

The result depends on the bit-width:

```
>>> x = np.invert(np.array(13, dtype=np.uint16))
>>> x
65522
>>> np.binary_repr(x, width=16)
'111111111110010'
```

When using signed integer types the result is the two's complement of the result for the unsigned type:

```
>>> np.invert(np.array([13], dtype=np.int8))
array([-14], dtype=int8)
>>> np.binary_repr(-14, width=8)
'11110010'
```

Booleans are accepted as well:

```
>>> np.invert(np.array([True, False]))
array([False, True])
```

The `~` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.invert` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.array([True, False])
>>> ~x1
array([False, True])
```

`numpy.left_shift(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'left_shift'>`

Shift the bits of an integer to the left.

Bits are shifted to the left by appending  $x2$  0s at the right of  $x1$ . Since the internal representation of numbers is in binary format, this operation is equivalent to multiplying  $x1$  by  $2^{x2}$ .

### Parameters

#### `x1`

[array\_like of integer type] Input values.

#### `x2`

[array\_like of integer type] Number of zeros to append to  $x1$ . Has to be non-negative. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### `out`

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### `where`

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### `**kwargs`

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### `out`

[array of integer type] Return  $x1$  with bits shifted  $x2$  times to the left. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

### See also:

#### `right_shift`

Shift the bits of an integer to the right.

**`binary_repr`**

Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.binary_repr(5)
'101'
>>> np.left_shift(5, 2)
20
>>> np.binary_repr(20)
'10100'
```

```
>>> np.left_shift(5, [1,2,3])
array([10, 20, 40])
```

Note that the dtype of the second argument may change the dtype of the result and can lead to unexpected results in some cases (see Casting Rules):

```
>>> a = np.left_shift(np.uint8(255), 1) # Expect 254
>>> print(a, type(a)) # Unexpected result due to upcasting
510 <class 'numpy.int64'>
>>> b = np.left_shift(np.uint8(255), np.uint8(1))
>>> print(b, type(b))
254 <class 'numpy.uint8'>
```

The `<<` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.left_shift` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = 5
>>> x2 = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> x1 << x2
array([10, 20, 40])
```

`numpy.right_shift(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'right_shift'>`

Shift the bits of an integer to the right.

Bits are shifted to the right `x2`. Because the internal representation of numbers is in binary format, this operation is equivalent to dividing `x1` by  $2^{x2}$ .

**Parameters****x1**

[array\_like, int] Input values.

**x2**

[array\_like, int] Number of bits to remove at the right of `x1`. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possibly only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray, int] Return *x1* with bits shifted *x2* times to the right. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

**See also:****[left\\_shift](#)**

Shift the bits of an integer to the left.

**[binary\\_repr](#)**

Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.binary_repr(10)
'1010'
>>> np.right_shift(10, 1)
5
>>> np.binary_repr(5)
'101'
```

```
>>> np.right_shift(10, [1,2,3])
array([5, 2, 1])
```

The >> operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.right_shift` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = 10
>>> x2 = np.array([1,2,3])
>>> x1 >> x2
array([5, 2, 1])
```

## 5.3.2 Bit packing

<code>packbits(a, /[, axis, bitorder])</code>	Packs the elements of a binary-valued array into bits in a uint8 array.
<code>unpackbits(a, /[, axis, count, bitorder])</code>	Unpacks elements of a uint8 array into a binary-valued output array.

`numpy.packbits(a, /, axis=None, bitorder='big')`

Packs the elements of a binary-valued array into bits in a uint8 array.

The result is padded to full bytes by inserting zero bits at the end.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] An array of integers or booleans whose elements should be packed to bits.

#### axis

[int, optional] The dimension over which bit-packing is done. None implies packing the flattened array.

#### bitorder

[{'big', 'little'}, optional] The order of the input bits. 'big' will mimic bin(val), [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1] => 3 = 0b00000011, 'little' will reverse the order so [1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0] => 3. Defaults to 'big'.

New in version 1.17.0.

### Returns

#### packed

[ndarray] Array of type uint8 whose elements represent bits corresponding to the logical (0 or nonzero) value of the input elements. The shape of *packed* has the same number of dimensions as the input (unless *axis* is None, in which case the output is 1-D).

### See also:

#### `unpackbits`

Unpacks elements of a uint8 array into a binary-valued output array.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[[1,0,1],  
...                 [0,1,0]],  
...                 [[1,1,0],  
...                 [0,0,1]]])  
>>> b = np.packbits(a, axis=-1)  
>>> b  
array([[ [160],  
...        [ 64]],  
...       [[192],  
...        [ 32]]], dtype=uint8)
```

Note that in binary  $160 = 1010\ 0000$ ,  $64 = 0100\ 0000$ ,  $192 = 1100\ 0000$ , and  $32 = 0010\ 0000$ .

`numpy.unpackbits(a[, axis=None, count=None, bitorder='big'])`

Unpacks elements of a uint8 array into a binary-valued output array.

Each element of  $a$  represents a bit-field that should be unpacked into a binary-valued output array. The shape of the output array is either 1-D (if  $axis$  is `None`) or the same shape as the input array with unpacking done along the  $axis$  specified.

### Parameters

#### a

[ndarray, uint8 type] Input array.

#### axis

[int, optional] The dimension over which bit-unpacking is done. `None` implies unpacking the flattened array.

#### count

[int or `None`, optional] The number of elements to unpack along  $axis$ , provided as a way of undoing the effect of packing a size that is not a multiple of eight. A non-negative number means to only unpack  $count$  bits. A negative number means to trim off that many bits from the end. `None` means to unpack the entire array (the default). Counts larger than the available number of bits will add zero padding to the output. Negative counts must not exceed the available number of bits.

New in version 1.17.0.

#### bitorder

[{'big', 'little'}, optional] The order of the returned bits. 'big' will mimic `bin(val)`,  $3 = 0b00000011 \Rightarrow [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1]$ , 'little' will reverse the order to  $[1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]$ . Defaults to 'big'.

New in version 1.17.0.

### Returns

#### unpacked

[ndarray, uint8 type] The elements are binary-valued (0 or 1).

### See also:

#### `packbits`

Packs the elements of a binary-valued array into bits in a uint8 array.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[2], [7], [23]], dtype=np.uint8)
>>> a
array([[ 2],
       [ 7],
       [23]], dtype=uint8)
>>> b = np.unpackbits(a, axis=1)
>>> b
array([[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1],
       [0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1]], dtype=uint8)
>>> c = np.unpackbits(a, axis=1, count=-3)
>>> c
array([[0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 1, 0]], dtype=uint8)
```

```
>>> p = np.packbits(b, axis=0)
>>> np.unpackbits(p, axis=0)
array([[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1],
       [0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]], dtype=uint8)
>>> np.array_equal(b, np.unpackbits(p, axis=0, count=b.shape[0]))
True
```

### 5.3.3 Output formatting

`binary_repr(num[, width])`

Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.

`numpy.binary_repr(num, width=None)`

Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.

For negative numbers, if width is not given, a minus sign is added to the front. If width is given, the two's complement of the number is returned, with respect to that width.

In a two's-complement system negative numbers are represented by the two's complement of the absolute value. This is the most common method of representing signed integers on computers [1]. A N-bit two's-complement system can represent every integer in the range  $-2^{N-1}$  to  $+2^{N-1} - 1$ .

#### Parameters

**num**

[int] Only an integer decimal number can be used.

**width**

[int, optional] The length of the returned string if *num* is positive, or the length of the two's complement if *num* is negative, provided that *width* is at least a sufficient number of bits for *num* to be represented in the designated form.

If the *width* value is insufficient, it will be ignored, and *num* will be returned in binary (*num* > 0) or two's complement (*num* < 0) form with its width equal to the minimum number of bits needed to represent the number in the designated form. This behavior is deprecated and will later raise an error.

Deprecated since version 1.12.0.

## Returns

### bin

[str] Binary representation of *num* or two's complement of *num*.

## See also:

### [base\\_repr](#)

Return a string representation of a number in the given base system.

### bin

Python's built-in binary representation generator of an integer.

## Notes

*binary\_repr* is equivalent to using *base\_repr* with base 2, but about 25x faster.

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> np.binary_repr(3)
'11'
>>> np.binary_repr(-3)
'-11'
>>> np.binary_repr(3, width=4)
'0011'
```

The two's complement is returned when the input number is negative and width is specified:

```
>>> np.binary_repr(-3, width=3)
'101'
>>> np.binary_repr(-3, width=5)
'11101'
```

## 5.4 String operations

The `numpy.char` module provides a set of vectorized string operations for arrays of type `numpy.str_` or `numpy.bytes_`. All of them are based on the string methods in the Python standard library.

## 5.4.1 String operations

<code>add(x1, x2)</code>	Return element-wise string concatenation for two arrays of str or unicode.
<code>multiply(a, i)</code>	Return (a * i), that is string multiple concatenation, element-wise.
<code>mod(a, values)</code>	Return (a % i), that is pre-Python 2.6 string formatting (interpolation), element-wise for a pair of array_likes of str or unicode.
<code>capitalize(a)</code>	Return a copy of <i>a</i> with only the first character of each element capitalized.
<code>center(a, width[, fillchar])</code>	Return a copy of <i>a</i> with its elements centered in a string of length <i>width</i> .
<code>decode(a[, encoding, errors])</code>	Calls <i>str.decode</i> element-wise.
<code>encode(a[, encoding, errors])</code>	Calls <i>str.encode</i> element-wise.
<code>expandtabs(a[, tabsize])</code>	Return a copy of each string element where all tab characters are replaced by one or more spaces.
<code>join(sep, seq)</code>	Return a string which is the concatenation of the strings in the sequence <i>seq</i> .
<code>ljust(a, width[, fillchar])</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>a</i> left-justified in a string of length <i>width</i> .
<code>lower(a)</code>	Return an array with the elements converted to lowercase.
<code>lstrip(a[, chars])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return a copy with the leading characters removed.
<code>partition(a, sep)</code>	Partition each element in <i>a</i> around <i>sep</i> .
<code>replace(a, old, new[, count])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return a copy of the string with all occurrences of substring <i>old</i> replaced by <i>new</i> .
<code>rjust(a, width[, fillchar])</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>a</i> right-justified in a string of length <i>width</i> .
<code>rpartition(a, sep)</code>	Partition (split) each element around the right-most separator.
<code>rsplit(a[, sep, maxsplit])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return a list of the words in the string, using <i>sep</i> as the delimiter string.
<code>rstrip(a[, chars])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return a copy with the trailing characters removed.
<code>split(a[, sep, maxsplit])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return a list of the words in the string, using <i>sep</i> as the delimiter string.
<code>splitlines(a[, keepends])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return a list of the lines in the element, breaking at line boundaries.
<code>strip(a[, chars])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return a copy with the leading and trailing characters removed.
<code>swapcase(a)</code>	Return element-wise a copy of the string with uppercase characters converted to lowercase and vice versa.
<code>title(a)</code>	Return element-wise title cased version of string or unicode.
<code>translate(a, table[, deletechars])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return a copy of the string where all characters occurring in the optional argument <i>deletechars</i> are removed, and the remaining characters have been mapped through the given translation table.
<code>upper(a)</code>	Return an array with the elements converted to uppercase.
<code>zfill(a, width)</code>	Return the numeric string left-filled with zeros

`char.add(x1, x2)`

Return element-wise string concatenation for two arrays of str or unicode.

Arrays  $x1$  and  $x2$  must have the same shape.

**Parameters**

**x1**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input array.

**x2**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input array.

**Returns**

**add**

[ndarray] Output array of `string_` or `unicode_`, depending on input types of the same shape as  $x1$  and  $x2$ .

`char.multiply(a, i)`

Return  $(a * i)$ , that is string multiple concatenation, element-wise.

Values in  $i$  of less than 0 are treated as 0 (which yields an empty string).

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**i**

[array\_like of ints]

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input types

`char.mod(a, values)`

Return  $(a \% i)$ , that is pre-Python 2.6 string formatting (interpolation), element-wise for a pair of array\_likes of str or unicode.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**values**

[array\_like of values] These values will be element-wise interpolated into the string.

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input types

**See also:**

`str.__mod__`

`char.capitalize(a)`

Return a copy of *a* with only the first character of each element capitalized.

Calls `str.capitalize` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input array of strings to capitalize.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input types

**See also:**

`str.capitalize`

### Examples

```
>>> c = np.array(['a1b2', '1b2a', 'b2a1', '2a1b'], '|S4'); c
array(['a1b2', '1b2a', 'b2a1', '2a1b'],
      dtype='|S4')
>>> np.char.capitalize(c)
array(['A1b2', '1b2a', 'B2a1', '2a1b'],
      dtype='|S4')
```

`char.center(a, width, fillchar=' ')`

Return a copy of *a* with its elements centered in a string of length *width*.

Calls `str.center` element-wise.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**width**

[int] The length of the resulting strings

**fillchar**

[str or unicode, optional] The padding character to use (default is space).

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input types

See also:

**str.center**

char.decode (*a*, *encoding=None*, *errors=None*)

Calls *str.decode* element-wise.

The set of available codecs comes from the Python standard library, and may be extended at runtime. For more information, see the `codecs` module.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**encoding**

[str, optional] The name of an encoding

**errors**

[str, optional] Specifies how to handle encoding errors

**Returns****out**

[ndarray]

See also:

**str.decode****Notes**

The type of the result will depend on the encoding specified.

**Examples**

```
>>> c = np.array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'])
>>> c
array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'], dtype='|U7')
>>> np.char.encode(c, encoding='cp037')
array(['\x81\xc1\x81\xc1\x81\xc1\x81\xc1', '@@\x81\xc1@@',
       '\x81\x82\xc2\xc1\x82\xc2\x81'], 
      dtype='|S7')
```

char.encode (*a*, *encoding=None*, *errors=None*)

Calls `str.encode` element-wise.

The set of available codecs comes from the Python standard library, and may be extended at runtime. For more information, see the `codecs` module.

## Parameters

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**encoding**

[str, optional] The name of an encoding

**errors**

[str, optional] Specifies how to handle encoding errors

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray]

See also:

`str.encode`

## Notes

The type of the result will depend on the encoding specified.

`char.expandtabs(a, tabspace=8)`

Return a copy of each string element where all tab characters are replaced by one or more spaces.

Calls `str.expandtabs` element-wise.

Return a copy of each string element where all tab characters are replaced by one or more spaces, depending on the current column and the given `tabspace`. The column number is reset to zero after each newline occurring in the string. This doesn't understand other non-printing characters or escape sequences.

## Parameters

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input array

**tabspace**

[int, optional] Replace tabs with `tabspace` number of spaces. If not given defaults to 8 spaces.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

See also:

`str.expandtabs`

`char.join(sep, seq)`

Return a string which is the concatenation of the strings in the sequence *seq*.

Calls `str.join` element-wise.

#### Parameters

**sep**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**seq**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input types

See also:

`str.join`

`char.ljust(a, width, fillchar='')`

Return an array with the elements of *a* left-justified in a string of length *width*.

Calls `str.ljust` element-wise.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**width**

[int] The length of the resulting strings

**fillchar**

[str or unicode, optional] The character to use for padding

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

See also:

`str.ljust`

`char.lower(a)`

Return an array with the elements converted to lowercase.

Call `str.lower` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like, {str, unicode}] Input array.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray, {str, unicode}] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

**See also:**

[str.lower](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> c = np.array(['A1B C', '1BCA', 'BCA1']); c
array(['A1B C', '1BCA', 'BCA1'], dtype='<U5')
>>> np.char.lower(c)
array(['a1b c', '1bca', 'bca1'], dtype='<U5')
```

`char.lstrip(a, chars=None)`

For each element in *a*, return a copy with the leading characters removed.

Calls `str.lstrip` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array-like, {str, unicode}] Input array.

**chars**

[{str, unicode}, optional] The *chars* argument is a string specifying the set of characters to be removed. If omitted or None, the *chars* argument defaults to removing whitespace. The *chars* argument is not a prefix; rather, all combinations of its values are stripped.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray, {str, unicode}] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

**See also:**

[str.lstrip](#)

## Examples

```
>>> c = np.array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'])
>>> c
array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'], dtype='|<U7')
```

The ‘a’ variable is unstripped from `c[1]` because whitespace leading.

```
>>> np.char.lstrip(c, 'a')
array(['AaAaA', ' aA ', 'bBABba'], dtype='|<U7')
```

```
>>> np.char.lstrip(c, 'A') # leaves c unchanged
array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'], dtype='|<U7')
>>> (np.char.lstrip(c, ' ') == np.char.lstrip(c, '')).all()
... # XXX: is this a regression? This used to return True
... # np.char.lstrip(c, '') does not modify c at all.
False
>>> (np.char.lstrip(c, ' ') == np.char.lstrip(c, None)).all()
True
```

`char.partition(a, sep)`

Partition each element in `a` around `sep`.

Calls `str.partition` element-wise.

For each element in `a`, split the element as the first occurrence of `sep`, and return 3 strings containing the part before the separator, the separator itself, and the part after the separator. If the separator is not found, return 3 strings containing the string itself, followed by two empty strings.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like, {str, unicode}] Input array

**sep**

[{str, unicode}] Separator to split each string element in `a`.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray, {str, unicode}] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type. The output array will have an extra dimension with 3 elements per input element.

**See also:**

`str.partition`

`char.replace(a, old, new, count=None)`

For each element in `a`, return a copy of the string with all occurrences of substring `old` replaced by `new`.

Calls `str.replace` element-wise.

### Parameters

**a**

[array-like of str or unicode]

**old, new**

[str or unicode]

**count**

[int, optional] If the optional argument `count` is given, only the first `count` occurrences are replaced.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

**See also:****`str.replace`**

`char.rjust(a, width, fillchar='')`

Return an array with the elements of `a` right-justified in a string of length `width`.

Calls `str.rjust` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**width**

[int] The length of the resulting strings

**fillchar**

[str or unicode, optional] The character to use for padding

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

**See also:****`str.rjust`**

`char.rpartition(a, sep)`

Partition (split) each element around the right-most separator.

Calls `str.rpartition` element-wise.

For each element in `a`, split the element as the last occurrence of `sep`, and return 3 strings containing the part before the separator, the separator itself, and the part after the separator. If the separator is not found, return 3 strings containing the string itself, followed by two empty strings.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input array

**sep**

[str or unicode] Right-most separator to split each element in array.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of string or unicode, depending on input type. The output array will have an extra dimension with 3 elements per input element.

See also:

[`str.rpartition`](#)

`char.rsplit(a, sep=None, maxsplit=None)`

For each element in *a*, return a list of the words in the string, using *sep* as the delimiter string.

Calls `str.rsplit` element-wise.

Except for splitting from the right, `rsplit` behaves like `split`.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**sep**

[str or unicode, optional] If *sep* is not specified or None, any whitespace string is a separator.

**maxsplit**

[int, optional] If *maxsplit* is given, at most *maxsplit* splits are done, the rightmost ones.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array of list objects

See also:

[`str.rstrip, split`](#)

`char.rstrip(a, chars=None)`

For each element in *a*, return a copy with the trailing characters removed.

Calls `str.rstrip` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array-like of str or unicode]

**chars**

[str or unicode, optional] The *chars* argument is a string specifying the set of characters to be removed. If omitted or None, the *chars* argument defaults to removing whitespace. The *chars* argument is not a suffix; rather, all combinations of its values are stripped.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

**See also:**

[str.rstrip](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> c = np.array(['aAaAaA', 'abBABba'], dtype='|S7'); c
array(['aAaAaA', 'abBABba'],
      dtype='|S7')
>>> np.char.rstrip(c, b'a')
array(['aAaAaA', 'abBABb'],
      dtype='|S7')
>>> np.char.rstrip(c, b'A')
array(['aAaAa', 'abBABba'],
      dtype='|S7')
```

`char.split(a, sep=None, maxsplit=None)`

For each element in *a*, return a list of the words in the string, using *sep* as the delimiter string.

Calls `str.split` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**sep**

[str or unicode, optional] If *sep* is not specified or None, any whitespace string is a separator.

**maxsplit**

[int, optional] If *maxsplit* is given, at most *maxsplit* splits are done.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array of list objects

**See also:**

[str.split, rsplit](#)

`char.splitlines(a, keepends=None)`

For each element in *a*, return a list of the lines in the element, breaking at line boundaries.

Calls `str.splitlines` element-wise.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**keepends**

[bool, optional] Line breaks are not included in the resulting list unless *keepends* is given and true.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array of list objects

See also:

`str.splitlines`

`char.strip(a, chars=None)`

For each element in *a*, return a copy with the leading and trailing characters removed.

Calls `str.strip` element-wise.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array-like of str or unicode]

**chars**

[str or unicode, optional] The *chars* argument is a string specifying the set of characters to be removed. If omitted or None, the *chars* argument defaults to removing whitespace. The *chars* argument is not a prefix or suffix; rather, all combinations of its values are stripped.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

See also:

`str.strip`

## Examples

```
>>> c = np.array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'])
>>> c
array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'], dtype='|<U7')
>>> np.char.strip(c)
array(['aAaAaA', 'aA', 'abBABba'], dtype='|<U7')
>>> np.char.strip(c, 'a') # 'a' unstripped from c[1] because whitespace leads
array(['AaAaA', ' aA ', 'bBABb'], dtype='|<U7')
>>> np.char.strip(c, 'A') # 'A' unstripped from c[1] because (unprinted) ws trails
array(['aAaAa', ' aA ', 'abBABba'], dtype='|<U7')
```

`char.swapcase(a)`

Return element-wise a copy of the string with uppercase characters converted to lowercase and vice versa.

Calls `str.swapcase` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like, {str, unicode}] Input array.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray, {str, unicode}] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

See also:

`str.swapcase`

## Examples

```
>>> c=np.array(['a1B c', '1b Ca', 'b Ca1', 'cA1b'], '|S5'); c
array(['a1B c', '1b Ca', 'b Ca1', 'cA1b'],
      dtype='|<S5')
>>> np.char.swapcase(c)
array(['A1b C', '1B cA', 'B ca1', 'Ca1B'],
      dtype='|<S5')
```

`char.title(a)`

Return element-wise title cased version of string or unicode.

Title case words start with uppercase characters, all remaining cased characters are lowercase.

Calls `str.title` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like, {str, unicode}] Input array.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

See also:

`str.title`

**Examples**

```
>>> c=np.array(['a1b c','1b ca','b ca1','ca1b'], '|S5'); c
array(['a1b c', '1b ca', 'b ca1', 'ca1b'],
      dtype='|S5')
>>> np.char.title(c)
array(['A1B C', '1B Ca', 'B Ca1', 'Ca1B'],
      dtype='|S5')
```

`char.translate(a, table, deletechars=None)`

For each element in *a*, return a copy of the string where all characters occurring in the optional argument *deletechars* are removed, and the remaining characters have been mapped through the given translation table.

Calls `str.translate` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array-like of str or unicode]

**table**

[str of length 256]

**deletechars**

[str]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

See also:

`str.translate`

`char.upper(a)`

Return an array with the elements converted to uppercase.

Calls `str.upper` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like, {str, unicode}] Input array.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray, {str, unicode}] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

**See also:**

[str.upper](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> c = np.array(['a1b c', '1bca', 'bca1']); c
array(['a1b c', '1bca', 'bca1'], dtype='<U5')
>>> np.char.upper(c)
array(['A1B C', '1BCA', 'BCA1'], dtype='<U5')
```

`char.zfill(a, width)`

Return the numeric string left-filled with zeros

Calls `str.zfill` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like, {str, unicode}] Input array.

**width**

[int] Width of string to left-fill elements in *a*.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray, {str, unicode}] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

**See also:**

[str.zfill](#)

## 5.4.2 Comparison

Unlike the standard numpy comparison operators, the ones in the *char* module strip trailing whitespace characters before performing the comparison.

<code>equal(x1, x2)</code>	Return $(x1 == x2)$ element-wise.
<code>not_equal(x1, x2)</code>	Return $(x1 != x2)$ element-wise.
<code>greater_equal(x1, x2)</code>	Return $(x1 >= x2)$ element-wise.
<code>less_equal(x1, x2)</code>	Return $(x1 <= x2)$ element-wise.
<code>greater(x1, x2)</code>	Return $(x1 > x2)$ element-wise.
<code>less(x1, x2)</code>	Return $(x1 < x2)$ element-wise.
<code>compare_chararrays(a1, a2, cmp, rstrip)</code>	Performs element-wise comparison of two string arrays using the comparison operator specified by <i>cmp_op</i> .

`char.equal(x1, x2)`

Return  $(x1 == x2)$  element-wise.

Unlike `numpy.equal`, this comparison is performed by first stripping whitespace characters from the end of the string. This behavior is provided for backward-compatibility with numarray.

#### Parameters

**x1, x2**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input arrays of the same shape.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools.

See also:

`not_equal, greater_equal, less_equal, greater, less`

`char.not_equal(x1, x2)`

Return  $(x1 != x2)$  element-wise.

Unlike `numpy.not_equal`, this comparison is performed by first stripping whitespace characters from the end of the string. This behavior is provided for backward-compatibility with numarray.

#### Parameters

**x1, x2**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input arrays of the same shape.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools.

See also:

`equal, greater_equal, less_equal, greater, less`

```
char.greater_equal(x1, x2)
```

Return (x1 >= x2) element-wise.

Unlike `numpy.greater_equal`, this comparison is performed by first stripping whitespace characters from the end of the string. This behavior is provided for backward-compatibility with numarray.

#### Parameters

**x1, x2**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input arrays of the same shape.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools.

See also:

`equal, not_equal, less_equal, greater, less`

```
char.less_equal(x1, x2)
```

Return (x1 <= x2) element-wise.

Unlike `numpy.less_equal`, this comparison is performed by first stripping whitespace characters from the end of the string. This behavior is provided for backward-compatibility with numarray.

#### Parameters

**x1, x2**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input arrays of the same shape.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools.

See also:

`equal, not_equal, greater_equal, greater, less`

```
char.greater(x1, x2)
```

Return (x1 > x2) element-wise.

Unlike `numpy.greater`, this comparison is performed by first stripping whitespace characters from the end of the string. This behavior is provided for backward-compatibility with numarray.

#### Parameters

**x1, x2**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input arrays of the same shape.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools.

**See also:**

[`equal`](#), [`not\_equal`](#), [`greater\_equal`](#), [`less\_equal`](#), [`less`](#)

`char.less(x1, x2)`

Return ( $x1 < x2$ ) element-wise.

Unlike `numpy.greater`, this comparison is performed by first stripping whitespace characters from the end of the string. This behavior is provided for backward-compatibility with numarray.

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like of str or unicode] Input arrays of the same shape.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools.

**See also:**

[`equal`](#), [`not\_equal`](#), [`greater\_equal`](#), [`less\_equal`](#), [`greater`](#)

`char.compare_chararrays(a1, a2, cmp, rstrip)`

Performs element-wise comparison of two string arrays using the comparison operator specified by `cmp_op`.

**Parameters****a1, a2**

[array\_like] Arrays to be compared.

**cmp**

[{“<”, “<=”, “==”, “>=”, “>”, “!=”}] Type of comparison.

**rstrip**

[Boolean] If True, the spaces at the end of Strings are removed before the comparison.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The output array of type Boolean with the same shape as a and b.

**Raises****ValueError**

If `cmp_op` is not valid.

## TypeError

If at least one of *a* or *b* is a non-string array

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array(["a", "b", "cde"])
>>> b = np.array(["a", "a", "dec"])
>>> np.compare_chararrays(a, b, ">", True)
array([False,  True, False])
```

### 5.4.3 String information

<code>count(a, sub[, start, end])</code>	Returns an array with the number of non-overlapping occurrences of substring <i>sub</i> in the range <i>[start, end]</i> .
<code>endswith(a, suffix[, start, end])</code>	Returns a boolean array which is <i>True</i> where the string element in <i>a</i> ends with <i>suffix</i> , otherwise <i>False</i> .
<code>find(a, sub[, start, end])</code>	For each element, return the lowest index in the string where substring <i>sub</i> is found.
<code>index(a, sub[, start, end])</code>	Like <code>find</code> , but raises <code>ValueError</code> when the substring is not found.
<code>isalpha(a)</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphabetic and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isalnum(a)</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphanumeric and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isdecimal(a)</code>	For each element, return True if there are only decimal characters in the element.
<code>isdigit(a)</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are digits and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>islower(a)</code>	Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are lowercase and there is at least one cased character, false otherwise.
<code>isnumeric(a)</code>	For each element, return True if there are only numeric characters in the element.
<code>isspace(a)</code>	Returns true for each element if there are only whitespace characters in the string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>istitle(a)</code>	Returns true for each element if the element is a titlecased string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isupper(a)</code>	Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are uppercase and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>rfind(a, sub[, start, end])</code>	For each element in <i>a</i> , return the highest index in the string where substring <i>sub</i> is found, such that <i>sub</i> is contained within <i>[start, end]</i> .
<code>rindex(a, sub[, start, end])</code>	Like <code>rfind</code> , but raises <code>ValueError</code> when the substring <i>sub</i> is not found.
<code>startswith(a, prefix[, start, end])</code>	Returns a boolean array which is <i>True</i> where the string element in <i>a</i> starts with <i>prefix</i> , otherwise <i>False</i> .
<code>str_len(a)</code>	Return <code>len(a)</code> element-wise.

`char.count(a, sub, start=0, end=None)`

Returns an array with the number of non-overlapping occurrences of substring *sub* in the range *[start, end]*.

Calls `str.count` element-wise.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**sub**

[str or unicode] The substring to search for.

**start, end**

[int, optional] Optional arguments *start* and *end* are interpreted as slice notation to specify the range in which to count.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of ints.

**See also:**

[str.count](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> c = np.array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'])
>>> c
array(['aAaAaA', ' aA ', 'abBABba'], dtype='<U7')
>>> np.char.count(c, 'A')
array([3, 1, 1])
>>> np.char.count(c, 'aA')
array([3, 1, 0])
>>> np.char.count(c, 'A', start=1, end=4)
array([2, 1, 1])
>>> np.char.count(c, 'A', start=1, end=3)
array([1, 0, 0])
```

[char.endswith\(a, suffix, start=0, end=None\)](#)

Returns a boolean array which is *True* where the string element in *a* ends with *suffix*, otherwise *False*.

Calls [str.endswith](#) element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**suffix**

[str]

**start, end**

[int, optional] With optional *start*, test beginning at that position. With optional *end*, stop comparing at that position.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Outputs an array of bools.

**See also:**

**str.endswith****Examples**

```
>>> s = np.array(['foo', 'bar'])
>>> s[0] = 'foo'
>>> s[1] = 'bar'
>>> s
array(['foo', 'bar'], dtype='|<U3')
>>> np.char.endswith(s, 'ar')
array([False,  True])
>>> np.char.endswith(s, 'a', start=1, end=2)
array([False,  True])
```

**char.find(a, sub, start=0, end=None)**

For each element, return the lowest index in the string where substring *sub* is found.

Calls `str.find` element-wise.

For each element, return the lowest index in the string where substring *sub* is found, such that *sub* is contained in the range  $[start, end]$ .

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**sub**

[str or unicode]

**start, end**

[int, optional] Optional arguments *start* and *end* are interpreted as in slice notation.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or int] Output array of ints. Returns -1 if *sub* is not found.

**See also:****`str.find`****char.index(a, sub, start=0, end=None)**

Like `find`, but raises *ValueError* when the substring is not found.

Calls `str.index` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**sub**

[str or unicode]

**start, end**

[int, optional]

**Returns****out**[ndarray] Output array of ints. Returns -1 if *sub* is not found.**See also:**[\*\*find\*\*, \*\*str.find\*\*](#)**char.isalpha(a)**

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphabetic and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

Calls `str.isalpha` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools

**See also:**[\*\*str.isalpha\*\*](#)**char.isalnum(a)**

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphanumeric and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

Calls `str.isalnum` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of str or unicode, depending on input type

**See also:**

**str.isalnum****char.isdecimal(a)**

For each element, return True if there are only decimal characters in the element.

Calls `unicode.isdecimal` element-wise.

Decimal characters include digit characters, and all characters that can be used to form decimal-radix numbers, e.g. U+0660, ARABIC-INDIC DIGIT ZERO.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like, unicode] Input array.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray, bool] Array of booleans identical in shape to *a*.

**See also:**

**unicode.isdecimal****char.isdigit(a)**

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are digits and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

Calls `str.isdigit` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools

**See also:**

**str.isdigit****char.islower(a)**

Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are lowercase and there is at least one cased character, false otherwise.

Calls `str.islower` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools

**See also:**[`str.islower`](#)`char.isnumeric(a)`

For each element, return True if there are only numeric characters in the element.

Calls `unicode.isnumeric` element-wise.

Numeric characters include digit characters, and all characters that have the Unicode numeric value property, e.g. U+2155, VULGAR FRACTION ONE FIFTH.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like, unicode] Input array.

**Returns****out**[ndarray, bool] Array of booleans of same shape as *a*.**See also:**[`unicode.isnumeric`](#)`char.isspace(a)`

Returns true for each element if there are only whitespace characters in the string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

Calls `str.isspace` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools

**See also:**

**str.isspace****char.istitle(a)**

Returns true for each element if the element is a titlecased string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

Call `str.istitle` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools

**See also:**

**str.istitle****char.isupper(a)**

Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are uppercase and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

Call `str.isupper` element-wise.

For 8-bit strings, this method is locale-dependent.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of bools

**See also:**

**str.isupper****char.rfind(a, sub, start=0, end=None)**

For each element in *a*, return the highest index in the string where substring *sub* is found, such that *sub* is contained within *[start, end]*.

Calls `str.rfind` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array-like of str or unicode]

**sub**

[str or unicode]

**start, end**

[int, optional] Optional arguments *start* and *end* are interpreted as in slice notation.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of ints. Return -1 on failure.

See also:

[`str.rfind`](#)

`char.rindex(a, sub, start=0, end=None)`

Like [`rfind`](#), but raises *ValueError* when the substring *sub* is not found.

Calls `str.rindex` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array-like of str or unicode]

**sub**

[str or unicode]

**start, end**

[int, optional]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of ints.

See also:

[`rfind, str.rindex`](#)

`char.startswith(a, prefix, start=0, end=None)`

Returns a boolean array which is *True* where the string element in *a* starts with *prefix*, otherwise *False*.

Calls `str.startswith` element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**prefix**

[str]

**start, end**

[int, optional] With optional *start*, test beginning at that position. With optional *end*, stop comparing at that position.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array of booleans

See also:

`str.startswith`

`char.str_len(a)`

Return len(a) element-wise.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like of str or unicode]

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array of integers

See also:

`builtins.len`

## 5.4.4 Convenience class

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<code>array(obj[, itemsize, copy, unicode, order])</code>	Create a <code>chararray</code> .
<code>asarray(obj[, itemsize, unicode, order])</code>	Convert the input to a <code>chararray</code> , copying the data only if necessary.
<code>chararray(shape[, itemsize, unicode, ...])</code>	Provides a convenient view on arrays of string and unicode values.

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`char.array(obj, itemsize=None, copy=True, unicode=None, order=None)`

Create a `chararray`.

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**Note:** This class is provided for numarray backward-compatibility. New code (not concerned with numarray compatibility) should use arrays of type `string_` or `unicode_` and use the free functions in `numpy.char` for fast vectorized string operations instead.

---

Versus a regular NumPy array of type `str` or `unicode`, this class adds the following functionality:

- 1) values automatically have whitespace removed from the end when indexed
- 2) comparison operators automatically remove whitespace from the end when comparing values

- 3) vectorized string operations are provided as methods (e.g. `str.endswith`) and infix operators (e.g. `+`, `*`, `%`)

## Parameters

### `obj`

[array of str or unicode-like]

### `itemsize`

[int, optional] `itemsize` is the number of characters per scalar in the resulting array. If `itemsize` is None, and `obj` is an object array or a Python list, the `itemsize` will be automatically determined. If `itemsize` is provided and `obj` is of type str or unicode, then the `obj` string will be chunked into `itemsize` pieces.

### `copy`

[bool, optional] If true (default), then the object is copied. Otherwise, a copy will only be made if `__array__` returns a copy, if `obj` is a nested sequence, or if a copy is needed to satisfy any of the other requirements (`itemsize`, `unicode`, `order`, etc.).

### `unicode`

[bool, optional] When true, the resulting `chararray` can contain Unicode characters, when false only 8-bit characters. If `unicode` is None and `obj` is one of the following:

- a `chararray`,
- an ndarray of type `str` or `unicode`
- a Python str or unicode object,

then the `unicode` setting of the output array will be automatically determined.

### `order`

[{'C', 'F', 'A'}, optional] Specify the order of the array. If `order` is 'C' (default), then the array will be in C-contiguous order (last-index varies the fastest). If `order` is 'F', then the returned array will be in Fortran-contiguous order (first-index varies the fastest). If `order` is 'A', then the returned array may be in any order (either C-, Fortran-contiguous, or even discontiguous).

## `char.asarray`(`obj`, `itemsize=None`, `unicode=None`, `order=None`)

Convert the input to a `chararray`, copying the data only if necessary.

Versus a regular NumPy array of type `str` or `unicode`, this class adds the following functionality:

- 1) values automatically have whitespace removed from the end when indexed
- 2) comparison operators automatically remove whitespace from the end when comparing values
- 3) vectorized string operations are provided as methods (e.g. `str.endswith`) and infix operators (e.g. `+`, `*`, `%`)

## Parameters

### `obj`

[array of str or unicode-like]

### `itemsize`

[int, optional] `itemsize` is the number of characters per scalar in the resulting array. If `itemsize` is None, and `obj` is an object array or a Python list, the `itemsize` will be automatically determined.

If *itemsize* is provided and *obj* is of type str or unicode, then the *obj* string will be chunked into *itemsize* pieces.

#### unicode

[bool, optional] When true, the resulting *chararray* can contain Unicode characters, when false only 8-bit characters. If unicode is None and *obj* is one of the following:

- a *chararray*,
- an ndarray of type *str* or ‘unicode’
- a Python str or unicode object,

then the unicode setting of the output array will be automatically determined.

#### order

[{‘C’, ‘F’}, optional] Specify the order of the array. If order is ‘C’ (default), then the array will be in C-contiguous order (last-index varies the fastest). If order is ‘F’, then the returned array will be in Fortran-contiguous order (first-index varies the fastest).

```
class numpy.char.chararray(shape, itemsize=1, unicode=False, buffer=None, offset=0, strides=None, order=None)
```

Provides a convenient view on arrays of string and unicode values.

---

**Note:** The *chararray* class exists for backwards compatibility with Numarray, it is not recommended for new development. Starting from numpy 1.4, if one needs arrays of strings, it is recommended to use arrays of *dtype* *object\_*, *string\_* or *unicode\_*, and use the free functions in the *numpy.char* module for fast vectorized string operations.

---

Versus a regular NumPy array of type *str* or *unicode*, this class adds the following functionality:

- 1) values automatically have whitespace removed from the end when indexed
- 2) comparison operators automatically remove whitespace from the end when comparing values
- 3) vectorized string operations are provided as methods (e.g. *endswith*) and infix operators (e.g. “+”, “\*”, “%”)

chararrays should be created using *numpy.char.array* or *numpy.char.asarray*, rather than this constructor directly.

This constructor creates the array, using *buffer* (with *offset* and *strides*) if it is not None. If *buffer* is None, then constructs a new array with *strides* in “C order”, unless both *len(shape)* >= 2 and *order='F'*, in which case *strides* is in “Fortran order”.

#### Parameters

##### shape

[tuple] Shape of the array.

##### itemsize

[int, optional] Length of each array element, in number of characters. Default is 1.

##### unicode

[bool, optional] Are the array elements of type unicode (True) or string (False). Default is False.

**buffer**

[object exposing the buffer interface or str, optional] Memory address of the start of the array data. Default is None, in which case a new array is created.

**offset**

[int, optional] Fixed stride displacement from the beginning of an axis? Default is 0. Needs to be  $\geq 0$ .

**strides**

[array\_like of ints, optional] Strides for the array (see `ndarray.strides` for full description). Default is None.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] The order in which the array data is stored in memory: 'C' -> "row major" order (the default), 'F' -> "column major" (Fortran) order.

## Examples

```
>>> charar = np.chararray((3, 3))
>>> charar[:] = 'a'
>>> charar
chararray([[b'a', b'a', b'a'],
           [b'a', b'a', b'a'],
           [b'a', b'a', b'a']], dtype='|S1')
```

```
>>> charar = np.chararray(charar.shape, itemsize=5)
>>> charar[:] = 'abc'
>>> charar
chararray([[b'abc', b'abc', b'abc'],
           [b'abc', b'abc', b'abc'],
           [b'abc', b'abc', b'abc']], dtype='|S5')
```

## Attributes

**T**

The transposed array.

**base**

Base object if memory is from some other object.

**ctypes**

An object to simplify the interaction of the array with the `ctypes` module.

**data**

Python buffer object pointing to the start of the array's data.

**dtype**

Data-type of the array's elements.

**flags**

Information about the memory layout of the array.

**flat**

A 1-D iterator over the array.

**imag**

The imaginary part of the array.

**itemsize**

Length of one array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

Total bytes consumed by the elements of the array.

**ndim**

Number of array dimensions.

**real**

The real part of the array.

**shape**

Tuple of array dimensions.

**size**

Number of elements in the array.

**strides**

Tuple of bytes to step in each dimension when traversing an array.

## Methods

<code>astype(dtype[, order, casting, subok, copy])</code>	Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.
<code>argsort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would sort this array.
<code>copy([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array.
<code>count(sub[, start, end])</code>	Returns an array with the number of non-overlapping occurrences of substring <code>sub</code> in the range <code>[start, end]</code> .
<code>decode([encoding, errors])</code>	Calls <code>str.decode</code> element-wise.
<code>dump(file)</code>	Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file.
<code>dumps()</code>	Returns the pickle of the array as a string.
<code>encode([encoding, errors])</code>	Calls <code>str.encode</code> element-wise.
<code>endswith(suffix[, start, end])</code>	Returns a boolean array which is <code>True</code> where the string element in <code>self</code> ends with <code>suffix</code> , otherwise <code>False</code> .
<code>expandtabs([tabsize])</code>	Return a copy of each string element where all tab characters are replaced by one or more spaces.
<code>fill(value)</code>	Fill the array with a scalar value.
<code>find(sub[, start, end])</code>	For each element, return the lowest index in the string where substring <code>sub</code> is found.
<code>flatten([order])</code>	Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.
<code>getfield(dtype[, offset])</code>	Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.
<code>index(sub[, start, end])</code>	Like <code>find</code> , but raises <code>ValueError</code> when the substring is not found.

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<code>isalnum()</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphanumeric and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isalpha()</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphabetic and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isdecimal()</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return True if there are only decimal characters in the element.
<code>isdigit()</code>	Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are digits and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>islower()</code>	Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are lowercase and there is at least one cased character, false otherwise.
<code>isnumeric()</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return True if there are only numeric characters in the element.
<code>isspace()</code>	Returns true for each element if there are only whitespace characters in the string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>istitle()</code>	Returns true for each element if the element is a title-cased string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>isupper()</code>	Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are uppercase and there is at least one character, false otherwise.
<code>item(*args)</code>	Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.
<code>join(seq)</code>	Return a string which is the concatenation of the strings in the sequence <i>seq</i> .
<code>ljust(width[, fillchar])</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>self</i> left-justified in a string of length <i>width</i> .
<code>lower()</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>self</i> converted to lowercase.
<code>lstrip([chars])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy with the leading characters removed.
<code>nonzero()</code>	Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
<code>put(indices, values[, mode])</code>	Set <i>a.flat[n] = values[n]</i> for all <i>n</i> in <i>indices</i> .
<code>ravel([order])</code>	Return a flattened array.
<code>repeat(repeats[, axis])</code>	Repeat elements of an array.
<code>replace(old, new[, count])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy of the string with all occurrences of substring <i>old</i> replaced by <i>new</i> .
<code>reshape(shape[, order])</code>	Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.
<code>resize(new_shape[, refcheck])</code>	Change shape and size of array in-place.
<code>rfind(sub[, start, end])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return the highest index in the string where substring <i>sub</i> is found, such that <i>sub</i> is contained within <i>[start, end]</i> .
<code>rindex(sub[, start, end])</code>	Like <code>rfind</code> , but raises <i>ValueError</i> when the substring <i>sub</i> is not found.

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<code>rjust(width[, fillchar])</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>self</i> right-justified in a string of length <i>width</i> .
<code>rsplit([sep, maxsplit])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a list of the words in the string, using <i>sep</i> as the delimiter string.
<code>rstrip([chars])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy with the trailing characters removed.
<code>searchsorted(v[, side, sorter])</code>	Find indices where elements of <i>v</i> should be inserted in <i>a</i> to maintain order.
<code>setfield(val, dtype[, offset])</code>	Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.
<code>setflags([write, align, uic])</code>	Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.
<code>sort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Sort an array in-place.
<code>split([sep, maxsplit])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a list of the words in the string, using <i>sep</i> as the delimiter string.
<code>splitlines([keepends])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a list of the lines in the element, breaking at line boundaries.
<code>squeeze([axis])</code>	Remove axes of length one from <i>a</i> .
<code>startswith(prefix[, start, end])</code>	Returns a boolean array which is <i>True</i> where the string element in <i>self</i> starts with <i>prefix</i> , otherwise <i>False</i> .
<code>strip([chars])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy with the leading and trailing characters removed.
<code>swapaxes(axis1, axis2)</code>	Return a view of the array with <i>axis1</i> and <i>axis2</i> interchanged.
<code>swapcase()</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy of the string with uppercase characters converted to lowercase and vice versa.
<code>take(indices[, axis, out, mode])</code>	Return an array formed from the elements of <i>a</i> at the given indices.
<code>title()</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a titlecased version of the string: words start with uppercase characters, all remaining cased characters are lowercase.
<code>tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Write array to a file as text or binary (default).
<code>tolist()</code>	Return the array as an <i>a</i> .ndim-levels deep nested list of Python scalars.
<code>toString([order])</code>	A compatibility alias for <code>tobytes</code> , with exactly the same behavior.
<code>translate(table[, deletechars])</code>	For each element in <i>self</i> , return a copy of the string where all characters occurring in the optional argument <i>deletechars</i> are removed, and the remaining characters have been mapped through the given translation table.
<code>transpose(*axes)</code>	Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.
<code>upper()</code>	Return an array with the elements of <i>self</i> converted to uppercase.
<code>view([dtype][, type])</code>	New view of array with the same data.
<code>zfill(width)</code>	Return the numeric string left-filled with zeros in a string of length <i>width</i> .

method

`char.chararray.astype(dtype, order='K', casting='unsafe', subok=True, copy=True)`

Copy of the array, cast to a specified type.

### Parameters

#### dtype

[str or dtype] Typecode or data-type to which the array is cast.

#### order

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, ‘K’}, optional] Controls the memory layout order of the result. ‘C’ means C order, ‘F’ means Fortran order, ‘A’ means ‘F’ order if all the arrays are Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ order otherwise, and ‘K’ means as close to the order the array elements appear in memory as possible. Default is ‘K’.

#### casting

[{‘no’, ‘equiv’, ‘safe’, ‘same\_kind’, ‘unsafe’}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur. Defaults to ‘unsafe’ for backwards compatibility.

- ‘no’ means the data types should not be cast at all.
- ‘equiv’ means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- ‘safe’ means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- ‘same\_kind’ means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- ‘unsafe’ means any data conversions may be done.

#### subok

[bool, optional] If True, then sub-classes will be passed-through (default), otherwise the returned array will be forced to be a base-class array.

#### copy

[bool, optional] By default, astype always returns a newly allocated array. If this is set to false, and the `dtype`, `order`, and `subok` requirements are satisfied, the input array is returned instead of a copy.

### Returns

#### arr\_t

[ndarray] Unless `copy` is False and the other conditions for returning the input array are satisfied (see description for `copy` input parameter), `arr_t` is a new array of the same shape as the input array, with dtype, order given by `dtype`, `order`.

### Raises

#### ComplexWarning

When casting from complex to float or int. To avoid this, one should use `a.real.astype(t)`.

## Notes

Changed in version 1.17.0: Casting between a simple data type and a structured one is possible only for “unsafe” casting. Casting to multiple fields is allowed, but casting from multiple fields is not.

Changed in version 1.9.0: Casting from numeric to string types in ‘safe’ casting mode requires that the string dtype length is long enough to store the max integer/float value converted.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 2.5])
>>> x
array([1., 2., 2.5])
```

```
>>> x.astype(int)
array([1, 2, 2])
```

method

`char.chararray.argsort (axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Returns the indices that would sort this array.

Refer to [numpy.argsort](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[numpy.argsort](#)

equivalent function

method

`char.chararray.copy (order='C')`

Return a copy of the array.

### Parameters

#### order

[{‘C’, ‘F’, ‘A’, ‘K’}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the copy. ‘C’ means C-order, ‘F’ means F-order, ‘A’ means ‘F’ if *a* is Fortran contiguous, ‘C’ otherwise. ‘K’ means match the layout of *a* as closely as possible. (Note that this function and [numpy.copy](#) are very similar but have different default values for their order= arguments, and this function always passes sub-classes through.)

See also:

[numpy.copy](#)

Similar function with different default behavior

[numpy.copyto](#)

## Notes

This function is the preferred method for creating an array copy. The function `numpy.copy` is similar, but it defaults to using order 'K', and will not pass sub-classes through by default.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='F')
```

```
>>> y = x.copy()
```

```
>>> x.fill(0)
```

```
>>> x
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]])
```

```
>>> y
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

```
>>> y.flags['C_CONTIGUOUS']
True
```

method

`char.chararray.count` (*sub*, *start*=0, *end*=None)

Returns an array with the number of non-overlapping occurrences of substring *sub* in the range [*start*, *end*].

**See also:**

`char.count`

method

`char.chararray.decode` (*encoding*=None, *errors*=None)

Calls `str.decode` element-wise.

**See also:**

`char.decode`

method

`char.chararray.dump` (*file*)

Dump a pickle of the array to the specified file. The array can be read back with `pickle.load` or `numpy.load`.

### Parameters

#### file

[str or Path] A string naming the dump file.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

method

```
char.chararray.dumps()
```

Returns the pickle of the array as a string. pickle.loads will convert the string back to an array.

#### Parameters

##### None

method

```
char.chararray.encode(encoding=None, errors=None)
```

Calls `str.encode` element-wise.

#### See also:

`char.encode`

method

```
char.chararray.endswith(suffix, start=0, end=None)
```

Returns a boolean array which is *True* where the string element in *self* ends with *suffix*, otherwise *False*.

#### See also:

`char.endswith`

method

```
char.chararray.expandtabs(tabsize=8)
```

Return a copy of each string element where all tab characters are replaced by one or more spaces.

#### See also:

`char.expandtabs`

method

```
char.chararray.fill(value)
```

Fill the array with a scalar value.

#### Parameters

##### value

[scalar] All elements of *a* will be assigned this value.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2])
>>> a.fill(0)
>>> a
array([0, 0])
>>> a = np.empty(2)
>>> a.fill(1)
>>> a
array([1., 1.])
```

method

`char.chararray.find(sub, start=0, end=None)`

For each element, return the lowest index in the string where substring *sub* is found.

**See also:**

`char.find`

method

`char.chararray.flatten(order='C')`

Return a copy of the array collapsed into one dimension.

### Parameters

#### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] 'C' means to flatten in row-major (C-style) order. 'F' means to flatten in column-major (Fortran-style) order. 'A' means to flatten in column-major order if *a* is Fortran *contiguous* in memory, row-major order otherwise. 'K' means to flatten *a* in the order the elements occur in memory. The default is 'C'.

### Returns

`y`

[ndarray] A copy of the input array, flattened to one dimension.

**See also:**

`ravel`

Return a flattened array.

`flat`

A 1-D flat iterator over the array.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1,2], [3,4]])
>>> a.flatten()
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> a.flatten('F')
array([1, 3, 2, 4])
```

method

`char.chararray.getfield(dtype, offset=0)`

Returns a field of the given array as a certain type.

A field is a view of the array data with a given data-type. The values in the view are determined by the given type and the offset into the current array in bytes. The offset needs to be such that the view dtype fits in the array dtype; for example an array of dtype complex128 has 16-byte elements. If taking a view with a 32-bit integer (4 bytes), the offset needs to be between 0 and 12 bytes.

### Parameters

**dtype**

[str or dtype] The data type of the view. The dtype size of the view can not be larger than that of the array itself.

**offset**

[int] Number of bytes to skip before beginning the element view.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.diag([1.+1.j]*2)
>>> x[1, 1] = 2 + 4.j
>>> x
array([[1.+1.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  2.+4.j]])
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  2.]])
```

By choosing an offset of 8 bytes we can select the complex part of the array for our view:

```
>>> x.getfield(np.float64, offset=8)
array([[1.,  0.],
       [0.,  4.]])
```

method

`char.chararray.index`(*sub, start=0, end=None*)

Like `find`, but raises `ValueError` when the substring is not found.

**See also:**

`char.index`

method

`char.chararray.isalnum()`

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphanumeric and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

`char.isalnum`

method

`char.chararray.isalpha()`

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are alphabetic and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

`char.isalpha`

method

---

```
char.chararray.isdecimal()
```

For each element in *self*, return True if there are only decimal characters in the element.

**See also:**

[`char.isdecimal`](#)

method

```
char.chararray.isdigit()
```

Returns true for each element if all characters in the string are digits and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

[`char.isdigit`](#)

method

```
char.chararray.islower()
```

Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are lowercase and there is at least one cased character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

[`char.islower`](#)

method

```
char.chararray.isnumeric()
```

For each element in *self*, return True if there are only numeric characters in the element.

**See also:**

[`char.isnumeric`](#)

method

```
char.chararray.isspace()
```

Returns true for each element if there are only whitespace characters in the string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

[`char.isspace`](#)

method

```
char.chararray.istitle()
```

Returns true for each element if the element is a titlecased string and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

[`char.istitle`](#)

method

`char.chararray.isupper()`

Returns true for each element if all cased characters in the string are uppercase and there is at least one character, false otherwise.

**See also:**

`char.isupper`

method

`char.chararray.item(*args)`

Copy an element of an array to a standard Python scalar and return it.

**Parameters**`*args`

[Arguments (variable number and type)]

- none: in this case, the method only works for arrays with one element ( $a.size == 1$ ), which element is copied into a standard Python scalar object and returned.
- int\_type: this argument is interpreted as a flat index into the array, specifying which element to copy and return.
- tuple of int\_types: functions as does a single int\_type argument, except that the argument is interpreted as an nd-index into the array.

**Returns**`z`

[Standard Python scalar object] A copy of the specified element of the array as a suitable Python scalar

**Notes**

When the data type of  $a$  is longdouble or clongdouble, item() returns a scalar array object because there is no available Python scalar that would not lose information. Void arrays return a buffer object for item(), unless fields are defined, in which case a tuple is returned.

`item` is very similar to `a[args]`, except, instead of an array scalar, a standard Python scalar is returned. This can be useful for speeding up access to elements of the array and doing arithmetic on elements of the array using Python's optimized math.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> x = np.random.randint(9, size=(3, 3))
>>> x
array([[2, 2, 6],
       [1, 3, 6],
       [1, 0, 1]])
>>> x.item(3)
1
>>> x.item(7)
```

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```
0
>>> x.item(0, 1)
2
>>> x.item(2, 2)
1
```

method

`char.chararray.join(seq)`

Return a string which is the concatenation of the strings in the sequence *seq*.

See also:

`char.join`

method

`char.chararray.ljust(width, fillchar='')`

Return an array with the elements of *self* left-justified in a string of length *width*.

See also:

`char.ljust`

method

`char.chararray.lower()`

Return an array with the elements of *self* converted to lowercase.

See also:

`char.lower`

method

`char.chararray.lstrip(chars=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a copy with the leading characters removed.

See also:

`char.lstrip`

method

`char.chararray.nonzero()`

Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.

Refer to `numpy.nonzero` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.nonzero`

equivalent function

method

`char.chararray.put` (*indices*, *values*, *mode='raise'*)  
Set `a.flat[n] = values[n]` for all *n* in *indices*.

Refer to [`numpy.put`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.put`](#)

equivalent function

method

`char.chararray.ravel` ([*order*])

Return a flattened array.

Refer to [`numpy.ravel`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.ravel`](#)

equivalent function

[`ndarray.flat`](#)

a flat iterator on the array.

method

`char.chararray.repeat` (*repeats*, *axis=None*)

Repeat elements of an array.

Refer to [`numpy.repeat`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.repeat`](#)

equivalent function

method

`char.chararray.replace` (*old*, *new*, *count=None*)

For each element in *self*, return a copy of the string with all occurrences of substring *old* replaced by *new*.

See also:

[`char.replace`](#)

method

`char.chararray.reshape` (*shape*, *order='C'*)

Returns an array containing the same data with a new shape.

Refer to [`numpy.reshape`](#) for full documentation.

See also:

[`numpy.reshape`](#)

equivalent function

## Notes

Unlike the free function `numpy.reshape`, this method on `ndarray` allows the elements of the shape parameter to be passed in as separate arguments. For example, `a.reshape(10, 11)` is equivalent to `a.reshape((10, 11))`.

method

`char.chararray.resize(new_shape, refcheck=True)`

Change shape and size of array in-place.

### Parameters

#### `new_shape`

[tuple of ints, or  $n$  ints] Shape of resized array.

#### `refcheck`

[bool, optional] If False, reference count will not be checked. Default is True.

### Returns

`None`

### Raises

#### `ValueError`

If  $a$  does not own its own data or references or views to it exist, and the data memory must be changed. PyPy only: will always raise if the data memory must be changed, since there is no reliable way to determine if references or views to it exist.

#### `SystemError`

If the `order` keyword argument is specified. This behaviour is a bug in NumPy.

### See also:

#### `resize`

Return a new array with the specified shape.

## Notes

This reallocates space for the data area if necessary.

Only contiguous arrays (data elements consecutive in memory) can be resized.

The purpose of the reference count check is to make sure you do not use this array as a buffer for another Python object and then reallocate the memory. However, reference counts can increase in other ways so if you are sure that you have not shared the memory for this array with another Python object, then you may safely set `refcheck` to False.

## Examples

Shrinking an array: array is flattened (in the order that the data are stored in memory), resized, and reshaped:

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='C')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [1]])
```

```
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]], order='F')
>>> a.resize((2, 1))
>>> a
array([[0],
       [2]])
```

Enlarging an array: as above, but missing entries are filled with zeros:

```
>>> b = np.array([[0, 1], [2, 3]])
>>> b.resize(2, 3) # new_shape parameter doesn't have to be a tuple
>>> b
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 0, 0]])
```

Referencing an array prevents resizing...

```
>>> c = a
>>> a.resize((1, 1))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot resize an array that references or is referenced ...
```

Unless `refcheck` is False:

```
>>> a.resize((1, 1), refcheck=False)
>>> a
array([[0]])
>>> c
array([[0]])
```

method

`char.chararray.rfind(sub, start=0, end=None)`

For each element in `self`, return the highest index in the string where substring `sub` is found, such that `sub` is contained within `[start, end]`.

See also:

`char.rfindex`

method

`char.chararray.rfindex(sub, start=0, end=None)`

Like `rfind`, but raises `ValueError` when the substring `sub` is not found.

See also:

`char.rfindex`

method

`char.chararray.rjust(width, fillchar='')`

Return an array with the elements of *self* right-justified in a string of length *width*.

See also:

`char.rjust`

method

`char.chararray.rsplit(sep=None, maxsplit=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a list of the words in the string, using *sep* as the delimiter string.

See also:

`char.rsplit`

method

`char.chararray.rstrip(chars=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a copy with the trailing characters removed.

See also:

`char.rstrip`

method

`char.chararray.searchsorted(v, side='left', sorter=None)`

Find indices where elements of *v* should be inserted in *a* to maintain order.

For full documentation, see `numpy.searchsorted`

See also:

`numpy.searchsorted`

equivalent function

method

`char.chararray.setfield(val, dtype, offset=0)`

Put a value into a specified place in a field defined by a data-type.

Place *val* into *a*'s field defined by *dtype* and beginning *offset* bytes into the field.

#### Parameters

##### `val`

[object] Value to be placed in field.

##### `dtype`

[dtype object] Data-type of the field in which to place *val*.

##### `offset`

[int, optional] The number of bytes into the field at which to place *val*.

#### Returns

**None**

See also:

`getfield`

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.eye(3)
>>> x.getfield(np.float64)
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
>>> x.setfield(3, np.int32)
>>> x.getfield(np.int32)
array([[3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3],
       [3, 3, 3]], dtype=int32)
>>> x
array([[1.0e+000, 1.5e-323, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.0e+000, 1.5e-323],
       [1.5e-323, 1.5e-323, 1.0e+000]])
>>> x.setfield(np.eye(3), np.int32)
>>> x
array([[1.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  1.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  1.]])
```

method

`char.chararray.setflags (write=None, align=None, uic=None)`

Set array flags WRITEABLE, ALIGNED, WRITEBACKIFCOPY, respectively.

These Boolean-valued flags affect how numpy interprets the memory area used by *a* (see Notes below). The ALIGNED flag can only be set to True if the data is actually aligned according to the type. The WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag can never be set to True. The flag WRITEABLE can only be set to True if the array owns its own memory, or the ultimate owner of the memory exposes a writeable buffer interface, or is a string. (The exception for string is made so that unpickling can be done without copying memory.)

### Parameters

#### `write`

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* can be written to.

#### `align`

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is aligned properly for its type.

#### `uic`

[bool, optional] Describes whether or not *a* is a copy of another “base” array.

## Notes

Array flags provide information about how the memory area used for the array is to be interpreted. There are 7 Boolean flags in use, only four of which can be changed by the user: WRITEBACKIFCOPY, WRITEABLE, and ALIGNED.

WRITEABLE (W) the data area can be written to;

ALIGNED (A) the data and strides are aligned appropriately for the hardware (as determined by the compiler);

WRITEBACKIFCOPY (X) this array is a copy of some other array (referenced by .base). When the C-API function PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy is called, the base array will be updated with the contents of this array.

All flags can be accessed using the single (upper case) letter as well as the full name.

## Examples

```
>>> y = np.array([[3, 1, 7],
...                 [2, 0, 0],
...                 [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y
array([[3, 1, 7],
       [2, 0, 0],
       [8, 5, 9]])
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : True
ALIGNED : True
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(write=0, align=0)
>>> y.flags
C_CONTIGUOUS : True
F_CONTIGUOUS : False
OWNDATA : True
WRITEABLE : False
ALIGNED : False
WRITEBACKIFCOPY : False
>>> y.setflags(uic=1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: cannot set WRITEBACKIFCOPY flag to True
```

method

`char.chararray.sort(axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Sort an array in-place. Refer to [numpy.sort](#) for full documentation.

### Parameters

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to sort. Default is -1, which means sort along the last axis.

#### kind

[{‘quicksort’, ‘mergesort’, ‘heapsort’, ‘stable’}, optional] Sorting algorithm. The default is ‘quicksort’. Note that both ‘stable’ and ‘mergesort’ use timsort under the covers and, in general, the actual implementation will vary with datatype. The ‘mergesort’ option is retained for backwards compatibility.

Changed in version 1.15.0: The ‘stable’ option was added.

### order

[str or list of str, optional] When  $a$  is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

**See also:**

[`numpy.sort`](#)

Return a sorted copy of an array.

[`numpy.argsort`](#)

Indirect sort.

[`numpy.lexsort`](#)

Indirect stable sort on multiple keys.

[`numpy.searchsorted`](#)

Find elements in sorted array.

[`numpy.partition`](#)

Partial sort.

### Notes

See [`numpy.sort`](#) for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 4], [3, 1]])
>>> a.sort(axis=1)
>>> a
array([[1, 4],
       [1, 3]])
>>> a.sort(axis=0)
>>> a
array([[1, 3],
       [1, 4]])
```

Use the *order* keyword to specify a field to use when sorting a structured array:

```
>>> a = np.array([(b'a', 2), (b'c', 1)], dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', int)])
>>> a.sort(order='y')
>>> a
array([(b'c', 1), (b'a', 2)],
      dtype=[('x', 'S1'), ('y', '<i8')])
```

method

`char.chararray.split (sep=None, maxsplit=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a list of the words in the string, using *sep* as the delimiter string.

See also:

`char.split`

method

`char.chararray.splitlines (keepends=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a list of the lines in the element, breaking at line boundaries.

See also:

`char.splitlines`

method

`char.chararray.squeeze (axis=None)`

Remove axes of length one from *a*.

Refer to `numpy.squeeze` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.squeeze`

equivalent function

method

`char.chararray.startswith (prefix, start=0, end=None)`

Returns a boolean array which is *True* where the string element in *self* starts with *prefix*, otherwise *False*.

See also:

`char.startswith`

method

`char.chararray.strip (chars=None)`

For each element in *self*, return a copy with the leading and trailing characters removed.

See also:

`char.strip`

method

`char.chararray.swapaxes (axis1, axis2)`

Return a view of the array with *axis1* and *axis2* interchanged.

Refer to `numpy.swapaxes` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.swapaxes`

equivalent function

method

`char.chararray.swapcase()`

For each element in *self*, return a copy of the string with uppercase characters converted to lowercase and vice versa.

See also:

`char.swapcase`

method

`char.chararray.take(indices, axis=None, out=None, mode='raise')`

Return an array formed from the elements of *a* at the given indices.

Refer to `numpy.take` for full documentation.

See also:

`numpy.take`

equivalent function

method

`char.chararray.title()`

For each element in *self*, return a titlecased version of the string: words start with uppercase characters, all remaining cased characters are lowercase.

See also:

`char.title`

method

`char.chararray.tofile(fid, sep=",", format="%s")`

Write array to a file as text or binary (default).

Data is always written in ‘C’ order, independent of the order of *a*. The data produced by this method can be recovered using the function `fromfile()`.

### Parameters

#### `fid`

[file or str or Path] An open file object, or a string containing a filename.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `pathlib.Path` objects are now accepted.

#### `sep`

[str] Separator between array items for text output. If “” (empty), a binary file is written, equivalent to `file.write(a.tobytes())`.

#### `format`

[str] Format string for text file output. Each entry in the array is formatted to text by first converting it to the closest Python type, and then using “format” % item.

## Notes

This is a convenience function for quick storage of array data. Information on endianness and precision is lost, so this method is not a good choice for files intended to archive data or transport data between machines with different endianness. Some of these problems can be overcome by outputting the data as text files, at the expense of speed and file size.

When `fid` is a file object, array contents are directly written to the file, bypassing the file object's `write` method. As a result, `tofile` cannot be used with files objects supporting compression (e.g., `GzipFile`) or file-like objects that do not support `fileno()` (e.g., `BytesIO`).

method

`char.chararray.tolist()`

Return the array as an `a.ndim`-levels deep nested list of Python scalars.

Return a copy of the array data as a (nested) Python list. Data items are converted to the nearest compatible builtin Python type, via the `item` function.

If `a.ndim` is 0, then since the depth of the nested list is 0, it will not be a list at all, but a simple Python scalar.

## Parameters

`None`

## Returns

`y`

[object, or list of object, or list of list of object, or ...] The possibly nested list of array elements.

## Notes

The array may be recreated via `a = np.array(a.tolist())`, although this may sometimes lose precision.

## Examples

For a 1D array, `a.tolist()` is almost the same as `list(a)`, except that `tolist` changes numpy scalars to Python scalars:

```
>>> a = np.uint32([1, 2])
>>> a_list = list(a)
>>> a_list
[1, 2]
>>> type(a_list[0])
<class 'numpy.uint32'>
>>> a_to_list = a.tolist()
>>> a_to_list
[1, 2]
>>> type(a_to_list[0])
<class 'int'>
```

Additionally, for a 2D array, `tolist` applies recursively:

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> list(a)
[array([1, 2]), array([3, 4])]
>>> a.tolist()
[[1, 2], [3, 4]]
```

The base case for this recursion is a 0D array:

```
>>> a = np.array(1)
>>> list(a)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: iteration over a 0-d array
>>> a.tolist()
1
```

method

`char.chararray.tostring(order='C')`

A compatibility alias for `tobytes`, with exactly the same behavior.

Despite its name, it returns `bytes` not `strs`.

Deprecated since version 1.19.0.

method

`char.chararray.translate(table, deletechars=None)`

For each element in `self`, return a copy of the string where all characters occurring in the optional argument `deletechars` are removed, and the remaining characters have been mapped through the given translation table.

**See also:**

[`char.translate`](#)

method

`char.chararray.transpose(*axes)`

Returns a view of the array with axes transposed.

For a 1-D array this has no effect, as a transposed vector is simply the same vector. To convert a 1-D array into a 2D column vector, an additional dimension must be added. `np.atleast2d(a).T` achieves this, as does `a[:, np.newaxis]`. For a 2-D array, this is a standard matrix transpose. For an n-D array, if axes are given, their order indicates how the axes are permuted (see Examples). If axes are not provided and `a.shape = (i[0], i[1], ... i[n-2], i[n-1])`, then `a.transpose().shape = (i[n-1], i[n-2], ... i[1], i[0])`.

### Parameters

#### axes

[None, tuple of ints, or  $n$  ints]

- None or no argument: reverses the order of the axes.
- tuple of ints:  $i$  in the  $j$ -th place in the tuple means  $a$ 's  $i$ -th axis becomes  $a.transpose()$ 's  $j$ -th axis.
- $n$  ints: same as an  $n$ -tuple of the same ints (this form is intended simply as a “convenience” alternative to the tuple form)

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] View of *a*, with axes suitably permuted.

**See also:*****transpose***

Equivalent function

***ndarray.T***

Array property returning the array transposed.

***ndarray.reshape***

Give a new shape to an array without changing its data.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> a
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]])
>>> a.transpose()
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose((1, 0))
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
>>> a.transpose(1, 0)
array([[1, 3],
       [2, 4]])
```

method

***char.chararray.upper()***

Return an array with the elements of *self* converted to uppercase.

**See also:*****char.upper***

method

***char.chararray.view({dtype}[, type])***

New view of array with the same data.

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**Note:** Passing None for *dtype* is different from omitting the parameter, since the former invokes *dtype(None)* which is an alias for *dtype('float\_')*.

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**Parameters**

**dtype**

[data-type or ndarray sub-class, optional] Data-type descriptor of the returned view, e.g., float32 or int16. Omitting it results in the view having the same data-type as *a*. This argument can also be specified as an ndarray sub-class, which then specifies the type of the returned object (this is equivalent to setting the `type` parameter).

**type**

[Python type, optional] Type of the returned view, e.g., ndarray or matrix. Again, omission of the parameter results in type preservation.

**Notes**

`a.view()` is used two different ways:

`a.view(some_dtype)` or `a.view(dtype=some_dtype)` constructs a view of the array's memory with a different data-type. This can cause a reinterpretation of the bytes of memory.

`a.view(ndarray_subclass)` or `a.view(type=ndarray_subclass)` just returns an instance of `ndarray_subclass` that looks at the same array (same shape, dtype, etc.) This does not cause a reinterpretation of the memory.

For `a.view(some_dtype)`, if `some_dtype` has a different number of bytes per entry than the previous dtype (for example, converting a regular array to a structured array), then the last axis of *a* must be contiguous. This axis will be resized in the result.

Changed in version 1.23.0: Only the last axis needs to be contiguous. Previously, the entire array had to be C-contiguous.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
```

Viewing array data using a different type and dtype:

```
>>> y = x.view(dtype=np.int16, type=np.matrix)
>>> y
matrix([[513]], dtype=int16)
>>> print(type(y))
<class 'numpy.matrix'>
```

Creating a view on a structured array so it can be used in calculations

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 2), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', np.int8), ('b', np.int8)])
>>> xv = x.view(dtype=np.int8).reshape(-1,2)
>>> xv
array([[1, 2],
       [3, 4]], dtype=int8)
>>> xv.mean(0)
array([2., 3.])
```

Making changes to the view changes the underlying array

```
>>> xv[0,1] = 20
>>> x
array([(1, 20), (3, 4)], dtype=[('a', 'i1'), ('b', 'i1')])
```

Using a view to convert an array to a recarray:

```
>>> z = x.view(np.recarray)
>>> z.a
array([1, 3], dtype=int8)
```

Views share data:

```
>>> x[0] = (9, 10)
>>> z[0]
(9, 10)
```

Views that change the dtype size (bytes per entry) should normally be avoided on arrays defined by slices, transposes, fortran-ordering, etc.:

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], dtype=np.int16)
>>> y = x[:, ::2]
>>> y
array([[1, 3],
       [4, 6]], dtype=int16)
>>> y.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: To change to a dtype of a different size, the last axis must be
contiguous
>>> z = y.copy()
>>> z.view(dtype=[('width', np.int16), ('length', np.int16)])
array([(1, 3)],
      [(4, 6)]], dtype=[('width', '<i2'), ('length', '<i2')])
```

However, views that change dtype are totally fine for arrays with a contiguous last axis, even if the rest of the axes are not C-contiguous:

```
>>> x = np.arange(2 * 3 * 4, dtype=np.int8).reshape(2, 3, 4)
>>> x.transpose(1, 0, 2).view(np.int16)
array([[[ 256,  770],
       [3340, 3854]],
      [[1284, 1798],
       [4368, 4882]],
      [[2312, 2826],
       [5396, 5910]]], dtype=int16)
```

method

`char.chararray.zfill(width)`

Return the numeric string left-filled with zeros in a string of length *width*.

See also:

`char.zfill`

## 5.5 C-Types Foreign Function Interface (`numpy.ctypeslib`)

`numpy.ctypeslib.as_array(obj, shape=None)`

Create a numpy array from a ctypes array or POINTER.

The numpy array shares the memory with the ctypes object.

The shape parameter must be given if converting from a ctypes POINTER. The shape parameter is ignored if converting from a ctypes array

`numpy.ctypeslib.as_ctypes(obj)`

Create and return a ctypes object from a numpy array. Actually anything that exposes the `__array_interface__` is accepted.

`numpy.ctypeslib.as_ctypes_type(dtype)`

Convert a dtype into a ctypes type.

### Parameters

#### `dtype`

[`dtype`] The dtype to convert

### Returns

#### `ctype`

A ctype scalar, union, array, or struct

### Raises

#### `NotImplementedError`

If the conversion is not possible

### Notes

This function does not losslessly round-trip in either direction.

`np.dtype(as_ctypes_type(dt))` will:

- insert padding fields
- reorder fields to be sorted by offset
- discard field titles

`as_ctypes_type(np.dtype(ctype))` will:

- discard the class names of `ctypes.Structures` and `ctypes.Unions`
- convert single-element `ctypes.Unions` into single-element `ctypes.Structures`
- insert padding fields

`numpy.ctypeslib.load_library(libname, loader_path)`

It is possible to load a library using

```
>>> lib = ctypes.cdll[<full_path_name>]
```

But there are cross-platform considerations, such as library file extensions, plus the fact Windows will just load the first library it finds with that name. NumPy supplies the `load_library` function as a convenience.

Changed in version 1.20.0: Allow `libname` and `loader_path` to take any [path-like object](#).

### Parameters

#### `libname`

[path-like] Name of the library, which can have ‘lib’ as a prefix, but without an extension.

#### `loader_path`

[path-like] Where the library can be found.

### Returns

#### `ctypes.cdll[libpath]`

[library object] A `ctypes` library object

### Raises

#### `OSSError`

If there is no library with the expected extension, or the library is defective and cannot be loaded.

`numpy.ctypeslib.ndpointer(dtype=None, ndim=None, shape=None, flags=None)`

Array-checking restype/argtypes.

An `ndpointer` instance is used to describe an `ndarray` in `restypes` and `argtypes` specifications. This approach is more flexible than using, for example, `POINTER(c_double)`, since several restrictions can be specified, which are verified upon calling the `ctypes` function. These include data type, number of dimensions, shape and flags. If a given array does not satisfy the specified restrictions, a `TypeError` is raised.

### Parameters

#### `dtype`

[data-type, optional] Array data-type.

#### `ndim`

[int, optional] Number of array dimensions.

#### `shape`

[tuple of ints, optional] Array shape.

#### `flags`

[str or tuple of str] Array flags; may be one or more of:

- `C_CONTIGUOUS` / `C` / `CONTIGUOUS`
- `F_CONTIGUOUS` / `F` / `FORTRAN`
- `OWNDATA` / `O`
- `WRITEABLE` / `W`
- `ALIGNED` / `A`
- `WRITEBACKIFCOPY` / `X`

**Returns****klass**

[ndpointer type object] A type object, which is an `_ndt.pr` instance containing `dtype`, `ndim`, `shape` and `flags` information.

**Raises****TypeError**

If a given array does not satisfy the specified restrictions.

**Examples**

```
>>> clib.somefunc.argtypes = [np.ctypeslib.ndpointer(dtype=np.float64,
...                                         ndim=1,
...                                         flags='C_CONTIGUOUS') ]
>>> clib.somefunc(np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.float64))
...
```

**class** numpy.ctypeslib.c\_intp

A `ctypes` signed integer type of the same size as `numpy.intp`.

Depending on the platform, it can be an alias for either `c_int`, `c_long` or `c_longlong`.

## 5.6 Datetime Support Functions

<code>datetime_as_string(arr[, unit, timezone, ...])</code>	Convert an array of datetimes into an array of strings.
<code>datetime_data(dtype, l)</code>	Get information about the step size of a date or time type.

`numpy.datetime_as_string(arr, unit=None, timezone='naive', casting='same_kind')`

Convert an array of datetimes into an array of strings.

**Parameters****arr**

[array\_like of `datetime64`] The array of UTC timestamps to format.

**unit**

[str] One of `None`, `'auto'`, or a `datetime unit`.

**timezone**

[{'naive', 'UTC', 'local'} or `tzinfo`] Timezone information to use when displaying the datetime. If 'UTC', end with a Z to indicate UTC time. If 'local', convert to the local timezone first, and suffix with a +#### timezone offset. If a `tzinfo` object, then do as with 'local', but use the specified timezone.

**casting**

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}] Casting to allow when changing between datetime units.

**Returns****str\_arr**

[ndarray] An array of strings the same shape as *arr*.

**Examples**

```
>>> import pytz
>>> d = np.arange('2002-10-27T04:30', 4*60, 60, dtype='M8[m]')
>>> d
array(['2002-10-27T04:30', '2002-10-27T05:30', '2002-10-27T06:30',
       '2002-10-27T07:30'], dtype='datetime64[m]')
```

Setting the timezone to UTC shows the same information, but with a Z suffix

```
>>> np.datetime_as_string(d, timezone='UTC')
array(['2002-10-27T04:30Z', '2002-10-27T05:30Z', '2002-10-27T06:30Z',
       '2002-10-27T07:30Z'], dtype='|<U35')
```

Note that we picked datetimes that cross a DST boundary. Passing in a `pytz` timezone object will print the appropriate offset

```
>>> np.datetime_as_string(d, timezone=pytz.timezone('US/Eastern'))
array(['2002-10-27T00:30-0400', '2002-10-27T01:30-0400',
       '2002-10-27T01:30-0500', '2002-10-27T02:30-0500'], dtype='|<U39')
```

Passing in a unit will change the precision

```
>>> np.datetime_as_string(d, unit='h')
array(['2002-10-27T04', '2002-10-27T05', '2002-10-27T06', '2002-10-27T07'],
      dtype='|<U32')
>>> np.datetime_as_string(d, unit='s')
array(['2002-10-27T04:30:00', '2002-10-27T05:30:00', '2002-10-27T06:30:00',
       '2002-10-27T07:30:00'], dtype='|<U38')
```

'casting' can be used to specify whether precision can be changed

```
>>> np.datetime_as_string(d, unit='h', casting='safe')
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: Cannot create a datetime string as units 'h' from a NumPy
datetime with units 'm' according to the rule 'safe'
```

`numpy.datetime_data(dtype, /)`

Get information about the step size of a date or time type.

The returned tuple can be passed as the second argument of `numpy.datetime64` and `numpy.timedelta64`.

**Parameters****dtype**

[*dtype*] The *dtype* object, which must be a `datetime64` or `timedelta64` type.

**Returns**

**unit**

[str] The *datetime unit* on which this dtype is based.

**count**

[int] The number of base units in a step.

**Examples**

```
>>> dt_25s = np.dtype('timedelta64[25s]')
>>> np.datetime_data(dt_25s)
('s', 25)
>>> np.array(10, dt_25s).astype('timedelta64[s]')
array(250, dtype='timedelta64[s]')
```

The result can be used to construct a datetime that uses the same units as a timedelta

```
>>> np.datetime64('2010', np.datetime_data(dt_25s))
numpy.datetime64('2010-01-01T00:00:00', '25s')
```

## 5.6.1 Business Day Functions

<code>busdaycalendar([weekmask, holidays])</code>	A business day calendar object that efficiently stores information defining valid days for the busday family of functions.
<code>is_busday(dates[, weekmask, holidays, ...])</code>	Calculates which of the given dates are valid days, and which are not.
<code>busday_offset(dates, offsets[, roll, ...])</code>	First adjusts the date to fall on a valid day according to the <code>roll</code> rule, then applies offsets to the given dates counted in valid days.
<code>busday_count(begindates, enddates[, ...])</code>	Counts the number of valid days between <code>begindates</code> and <code>enddates</code> , not including the day of <code>enddates</code> .

**class** `numpy.busdaycalendar(weekmask='1111100', holidays=None)`

A business day calendar object that efficiently stores information defining valid days for the busday family of functions.

The default valid days are Monday through Friday (“business days”). A busdaycalendar object can be specified with any set of weekly valid days, plus an optional “holiday” dates that always will be invalid.

Once a busdaycalendar object is created, the weekmask and holidays cannot be modified.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****weekmask**

[str or array\_like of bool, optional] A seven-element array indicating which of Monday through Sunday are valid days. May be specified as a length-seven list or array, like [1,1,1,1,0,0]; a length-seven string, like ‘1111100’; or a string like “Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri”, made up of 3-character abbreviations for weekdays, optionally separated by white space. Valid abbreviations are: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

**holidays**

[array\_like of datetime64[D], optional] An array of dates to consider as invalid dates, no matter which weekday they fall upon. Holiday dates may be specified in any order, and NaT (not-a-time) dates are ignored. This list is saved in a normalized form that is suited for fast calculations of valid days.

**Returns****out**

[busdaycalendar] A business day calendar object containing the specified weekmask and holidays values.

**See also:**

***is\_busday***

Returns a boolean array indicating valid days.

***busday\_offset***

Applies an offset counted in valid days.

***busday\_count***

Counts how many valid days are in a half-open date range.

**Examples**

```
>>> # Some important days in July
... bdd = np.busdaycalendar(
...         holidays=['2011-07-01', '2011-07-04', '2011-07-17'])
>>> # Default is Monday to Friday weekdays
... bdd.weekmask
array([ True,  True,  True,  True,  True, False, False])
>>> # Any holidays already on the weekend are removed
... bdd.holidays
array(['2011-07-01', '2011-07-04'], dtype='datetime64[D'])
```

**Attributes**

**Note:** once a busdaycalendar object is created, you cannot modify the weekmask or holidays. The attributes return copies of internal data.

**weekmask**

[(copy) seven-element array of bool] A copy of the seven-element boolean mask indicating valid days.

**holidays**

[(copy) sorted array of datetime64[D]] A copy of the holiday array indicating additional invalid days.

`numpy.is_busday(dates, weekmask='1111100', holidays=None, busdaycal=None, out=None)`

Calculates which of the given dates are valid days, and which are not.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Parameters

#### **dates**

[array\_like of datetime64[D]] The array of dates to process.

#### **weekmask**

[str or array\_like of bool, optional] A seven-element array indicating which of Monday through Sunday are valid days. May be specified as a length-seven list or array, like [1,1,1,1,1,0,0]; a length-seven string, like ‘1111100’; or a string like “Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri”, made up of 3-character abbreviations for weekdays, optionally separated by white space. Valid abbreviations are: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

#### **holidays**

[array\_like of datetime64[D], optional] An array of dates to consider as invalid dates. They may be specified in any order, and NaT (not-a-time) dates are ignored. This list is saved in a normalized form that is suited for fast calculations of valid days.

#### **busdaycal**

[busdaycalendar, optional] A `busdaycalendar` object which specifies the valid days. If this parameter is provided, neither weekmask nor holidays may be provided.

#### **out**

[array of bool, optional] If provided, this array is filled with the result.

### Returns

#### **out**

[array of bool] An array with the same shape as `dates`, containing True for each valid day, and False for each invalid day.

### See also:

#### `busdaycalendar`

An object that specifies a custom set of valid days.

#### `busday_offset`

Applies an offset counted in valid days.

#### `busday_count`

Counts how many valid days are in a half-open date range.

## Examples

```
>>> # The weekdays are Friday, Saturday, and Monday
... np.is_busday(['2011-07-01', '2011-07-02', '2011-07-18'],
...              holidays=['2011-07-01', '2011-07-04', '2011-07-17'])
array([False, False, True])
```

`numpy.busday_offset(dates, offsets, roll='raise', weekmask='1111100', holidays=None, busdaycal=None, out=None)`

First adjusts the date to fall on a valid day according to the `roll` rule, then applies offsets to the given dates counted in valid days.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Parameters

#### dates

[array\_like of datetime64[D]] The array of dates to process.

#### offsets

[array\_like of int] The array of offsets, which is broadcast with `dates`.

#### roll

[{'raise', 'nat', 'forward', 'following', 'backward', 'preceding', 'modifiedfollowing', 'modifiedpreceding'}, optional] How to treat dates that do not fall on a valid day. The default is 'raise'.

- 'raise' means to raise an exception for an invalid day.
- 'nat' means to return a NaT (not-a-time) for an invalid day.
- 'forward' and 'following' mean to take the first valid day later in time.
- 'backward' and 'preceding' mean to take the first valid day earlier in time.
- 'modifiedfollowing' means to take the first valid day later in time unless it is across a Month boundary, in which case to take the first valid day earlier in time.
- 'modifiedpreceding' means to take the first valid day earlier in time unless it is across a Month boundary, in which case to take the first valid day later in time.

#### weekmask

[str or array\_like of bool, optional] A seven-element array indicating which of Monday through Sunday are valid days. May be specified as a length-seven list or array, like [1,1,1,1,1,0,0]; a length-seven string, like '1111100'; or a string like "Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri", made up of 3-character abbreviations for weekdays, optionally separated by white space. Valid abbreviations are: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

#### holidays

[array\_like of datetime64[D], optional] An array of dates to consider as invalid dates. They may be specified in any order, and NaT (not-a-time) dates are ignored. This list is saved in a normalized form that is suited for fast calculations of valid days.

#### busdaycal

[busdaycalendar, optional] A `busdaycalendar` object which specifies the valid days. If this parameter is provided, neither `weekmask` nor `holidays` may be provided.

**out**

[array of datetime64[D], optional] If provided, this array is filled with the result.

**Returns****out**

[array of datetime64[D]] An array with a shape from broadcasting `dates` and `offsets` together, containing the dates with offsets applied.

**See also:**

***busdaycalendar***

An object that specifies a custom set of valid days.

***is\_busday***

Returns a boolean array indicating valid days.

***busday\_count***

Counts how many valid days are in a half-open date range.

**Examples**

```
>>> # First business day in October 2011 (not accounting for holidays)
... np.busday_offset('2011-10', 0, roll='forward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-10-03')
>>> # Last business day in February 2012 (not accounting for holidays)
... np.busday_offset('2012-03', -1, roll='forward')
numpy.datetime64('2012-02-29')
>>> # Third Wednesday in January 2011
... np.busday_offset('2011-01', 2, roll='forward', weekmask='Wed')
numpy.datetime64('2011-01-19')
>>> # 2012 Mother's Day in Canada and the U.S.
... np.busday_offset('2012-05', 1, roll='forward', weekmask='Sun')
numpy.datetime64('2012-05-13')
```

```
>>> # First business day on or after a date
... np.busday_offset('2011-03-20', 0, roll='forward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-03-21')
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-03-22', 0, roll='forward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-03-22')
>>> # First business day after a date
... np.busday_offset('2011-03-20', 1, roll='backward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-03-21')
>>> np.busday_offset('2011-03-22', 1, roll='backward')
numpy.datetime64('2011-03-23')
```

`numpy.busday_count(begindates, enddates, weekmask='1111100', holidays=[], busdaycal=None, out=None)`

Counts the number of valid days between `begindates` and `enddates`, not including the day of `enddates`.

If `enddates` specifies a date value that is earlier than the corresponding `begindates` date value, the count will be negative.

New in version 1.7.0.

## Parameters

### **begindates**

[array\_like of datetime64[D]] The array of the first dates for counting.

### **enddates**

[array\_like of datetime64[D]] The array of the end dates for counting, which are excluded from the count themselves.

### **weekmask**

[str or array\_like of bool, optional] A seven-element array indicating which of Monday through Sunday are valid days. May be specified as a length-seven list or array, like [1,1,1,1,1,0,0]; a length-seven string, like ‘1111100’; or a string like “Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri”, made up of 3-character abbreviations for weekdays, optionally separated by white space. Valid abbreviations are: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

### **holidays**

[array\_like of datetime64[D], optional] An array of dates to consider as invalid dates. They may be specified in any order, and NaT (not-a-time) dates are ignored. This list is saved in a normalized form that is suited for fast calculations of valid days.

### **busdaycal**

[busdaycalendar, optional] A [busdaycalendar](#) object which specifies the valid days. If this parameter is provided, neither weekmask nor holidays may be provided.

### **out**

[array of int, optional] If provided, this array is filled with the result.

## Returns

### **out**

[array of int] An array with a shape from broadcasting begindates and enddates together, containing the number of valid days between the begin and end dates.

## See also:

### [\*\*busdaycalendar\*\*](#)

An object that specifies a custom set of valid days.

### [\*\*is\\_busday\*\*](#)

Returns a boolean array indicating valid days.

### [\*\*busday\\_offset\*\*](#)

Applies an offset counted in valid days.

## Examples

```
>>> # Number of weekdays in January 2011
... np.busday_count('2011-01', '2011-02')
21
>>> # Number of weekdays in 2011
>>> np.busday_count('2011', '2012')
260
>>> # Number of Saturdays in 2011
... np.busday_count('2011', '2012', weekmask='Sat')
53
```

## 5.7 Data type routines

<code>can_cast(from_, to[, casting])</code>	Returns True if cast between data types can occur according to the casting rule.
<code>promote_types(type1, type2)</code>	Returns the data type with the smallest size and smallest scalar kind to which both <code>type1</code> and <code>type2</code> may be safely cast.
<code>min_scalar_type(a, /)</code>	For scalar <code>a</code> , returns the data type with the smallest size and smallest scalar kind which can hold its value.
<code>result_type(*arrays_and_dtypes)</code>	Returns the type that results from applying the NumPy type promotion rules to the arguments.
<code>common_type(*arrays)</code>	Return a scalar type which is common to the input arrays.
<code>obj2sctype(rep[, default])</code>	Return the scalar dtype or NumPy equivalent of Python type of an object.

`numpy.can_cast (from_, to, casting='safe')`

Returns True if cast between data types can occur according to the casting rule. If `from` is a scalar or array scalar, also returns True if the scalar value can be cast without overflow or truncation to an integer.

### Parameters

#### `from_`

[`dtype`, `dtype specifier`, `scalar`, or `array`] Data type, scalar, or array to cast from.

#### `to`

[`dtype` or `dtype specifier`] Data type to cast to.

#### `casting`

[{'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', 'unsafe'}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur.

- ‘no’ means the data types should not be cast at all.
- ‘equiv’ means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- ‘safe’ means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- ‘same\_kind’ means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- ‘unsafe’ means any data conversions may be done.

**Returns****out**

[bool] True if cast can occur according to the casting rule.

**See also:**[`dtype`, `result\_type`](#)**Notes**

Changed in version 1.17.0: Casting between a simple data type and a structured one is possible only for “unsafe” casting. Casting to multiple fields is allowed, but casting from multiple fields is not.

Changed in version 1.9.0: Casting from numeric to string types in ‘safe’ casting mode requires that the string dtype length is long enough to store the maximum integer/float value converted.

**Examples**

Basic examples

```
>>> np.can_cast(np.int32, np.int64)
True
>>> np.can_cast(np.float64, complex)
True
>>> np.can_cast(complex, float)
False
```

```
>>> np.can_cast('i8', 'f8')
True
>>> np.can_cast('i8', 'f4')
False
>>> np.can_cast('i4', 'S4')
False
```

Casting scalars

```
>>> np.can_cast(100, 'i1')
True
>>> np.can_cast(150, 'i1')
False
>>> np.can_cast(150, 'u1')
True
```

```
>>> np.can_cast(3.5e100, np.float32)
False
>>> np.can_cast(1000.0, np.float32)
True
```

Array scalar checks the value, array does not

```
>>> np.can_cast(np.array(1000.0), np.float32)
True
>>> np.can_cast(np.array([1000.0]), np.float32)
False
```

Using the casting rules

```
>>> np.can_cast('i8', 'i8', 'no')
True
>>> np.can_cast('<i8', '>i8', 'no')
False
```

```
>>> np.can_cast('<i8', '>i8', 'equiv')
True
>>> np.can_cast('<i4', '>i8', 'equiv')
False
```

```
>>> np.can_cast('<i4', '>i8', 'safe')
True
>>> np.can_cast('<i8', '>i4', 'safe')
False
```

```
>>> np.can_cast('<i8', '>i4', 'same_kind')
True
>>> np.can_cast('<i8', '>u4', 'same_kind')
False
```

```
>>> np.can_cast('<i8', '>u4', 'unsafe')
True
```

## `numpy.promote_types` (*type1*, *type2*)

Returns the data type with the smallest size and smallest scalar kind to which both *type1* and *type2* may be safely cast. The returned data type is always considered “canonical”, this mainly means that the promoted dtype will always be in native byte order.

This function is symmetric, but rarely associative.

### Parameters

#### **type1**

[dtype or dtype specifier] First data type.

#### **type2**

[dtype or dtype specifier] Second data type.

### Returns

#### **out**

[dtype] The promoted data type.

### See also:

`result_type`, `dtype`, `can_cast`

## Notes

Please see [numpy.result\\_type](#) for additional information about promotion.

New in version 1.6.0.

Starting in NumPy 1.9, promote\_types function now returns a valid string length when given an integer or float dtype as one argument and a string dtype as another argument. Previously it always returned the input string dtype, even if it wasn't long enough to store the max integer/float value converted to a string.

Changed in version 1.23.0.

NumPy now supports promotion for more structured dtypes. It will now remove unnecessary padding from a structure dtype and promote included fields individually.

## Examples

```
>>> np.promote_types('f4', 'f8')
dtype('float64')
```

```
>>> np.promote_types('i8', 'f4')
dtype('float64')
```

```
>>> np.promote_types('>i8', '<c8')
dtype('complex128')
```

```
>>> np.promote_types('i4', 'S8')
dtype('S11')
```

An example of a non-associative case:

```
>>> p = np.promote_types
>>> p('S', p('i1', 'u1'))
dtype('S6')
>>> p(p('S', 'i1'), 'u1')
dtype('S4')
```

`numpy.min_scalar_type(a, /)`

For scalar `a`, returns the data type with the smallest size and smallest scalar kind which can hold its value. For non-scalar array `a`, returns the vector's dtype unmodified.

Floating point values are not demoted to integers, and complex values are not demoted to floats.

### Parameters

#### a

[scalar or array\_like] The value whose minimal data type is to be found.

### Returns

#### out

[dtype] The minimal data type.

### See also:

*result\_type, promote\_types, dtype, can\_cast*

## Notes

New in version 1.6.0.

## Examples

```
>>> np.min_scalar_type(10)
dtype('uint8')
```

```
>>> np.min_scalar_type(-260)
dtype('int16')
```

```
>>> np.min_scalar_type(3.1)
dtype('float16')
```

```
>>> np.min_scalar_type(1e50)
dtype('float64')
```

```
>>> np.min_scalar_type(np.arange(4, dtype='f8'))
dtype('float64')
```

`numpy.result_type(*arrays_and_dtypes)`

Returns the type that results from applying the NumPy type promotion rules to the arguments.

Type promotion in NumPy works similarly to the rules in languages like C++, with some slight differences. When both scalars and arrays are used, the array's type takes precedence and the actual value of the scalar is taken into account.

For example, calculating  $3*a$ , where  $a$  is an array of 32-bit floats, intuitively should result in a 32-bit float output. If the 3 is a 32-bit integer, the NumPy rules indicate it can't convert losslessly into a 32-bit float, so a 64-bit float should be the result type. By examining the value of the constant, '3', we see that it fits in an 8-bit integer, which can be cast losslessly into the 32-bit float.

## Parameters

### arrays\_and\_dtypes

[list of arrays and dtypes] The operands of some operation whose result type is needed.

## Returns

### out

[dtype] The result type.

See also:

*dtype, promote\_types, min\_scalar\_type, can\_cast*

## Notes

New in version 1.6.0.

The specific algorithm used is as follows.

Categories are determined by first checking which of boolean, integer (int/uint), or floating point (float/complex) the maximum kind of all the arrays and the scalars are.

If there are only scalars or the maximum category of the scalars is higher than the maximum category of the arrays, the data types are combined with `promote_types` to produce the return value.

Otherwise, `min_scalar_type` is called on each array, and the resulting data types are all combined with `promote_types` to produce the return value.

The set of int values is not a subset of the uint values for types with the same number of bits, something not reflected in `min_scalar_type`, but handled as a special case in `result_type`.

## Examples

```
>>> np.result_type(3, np.arange(7, dtype='i1'))
dtype('int8')
```

```
>>> np.result_type('i4', 'c8')
dtype('complex128')
```

```
>>> np.result_type(3.0, -2)
dtype('float64')
```

`numpy.common_type(*arrays)`

Return a scalar type which is common to the input arrays.

The return type will always be an inexact (i.e. floating point) scalar type, even if all the arrays are integer arrays. If one of the inputs is an integer array, the minimum precision type that is returned is a 64-bit floating point dtype.

All input arrays except int64 and uint64 can be safely cast to the returned dtype without loss of information.

### Parameters

**array1, array2, ...**

[ndarrays] Input arrays.

### Returns

**out**

[data type code] Data type code.

**See also:**

`dtype, mintypecode`

## Examples

```
>>> np.common_type(np.arange(2, dtype=np.float32))
<class 'numpy.float32'>
>>> np.common_type(np.arange(2, dtype=np.float32), np.arange(2))
<class 'numpy.float64'>
>>> np.common_type(np.arange(4), np.array([45, 6.j]), np.array([45.0]))
<class 'numpy.complex128'>
```

`numpy.obj2sctype(rep, default=None)`

Return the scalar dtype or NumPy equivalent of Python type of an object.

### Parameters

#### rep

[any] The object of which the type is returned.

#### default

[any, optional] If given, this is returned for objects whose types can not be determined. If not given, None is returned for those objects.

### Returns

#### dtype

[dtype or Python type] The data type of *rep*.

See also:

`sctype2char, issctype, issubscotype, issubdtype, maximum_sctype`

## Examples

```
>>> np.obj2sctype(np.int32)
<class 'numpy.int32'>
>>> np.obj2sctype(np.array([1., 2.]))
<class 'numpy.float64'>
>>> np.obj2sctype(np.array([1.j]))
<class 'numpy.complex128'>
```

```
>>> np.obj2sctype(dict)
<class 'numpy.object_'>
>>> np.obj2sctype('string')
```

```
>>> np.obj2sctype(1, default=list)
<class 'list'>
```

## 5.7.1 Creating data types

<code>dtype(dtype[, align, copy])</code>	Create a data type object.
<code>format_parser(formats, names, titles[, ...])</code>	Class to convert formats, names, titles description to a dtype.

`class numpy.format_parser(formats, names, titles, aligned=False, byteorder=None)`

Class to convert formats, names, titles description to a dtype.

After constructing the `format_parser` object, the `dtype` attribute is the converted data-type: `dtype = format_parser(formats, names, titles).dtype`

### Parameters

#### formats

[str or list of str] The format description, either specified as a string with comma-separated format descriptions in the form '`f8, i4, a5`', or a list of format description strings in the form [`'f8', 'i4', 'a5'`].

#### names

[str or list/tuple of str] The field names, either specified as a comma-separated string in the form '`col1, col2, col3`', or as a list or tuple of strings in the form [`'col1', 'col2', 'col3'`]. An empty list can be used, in that case default field names ('`f0', 'f1', ...') are used.`

#### titles

[sequence] Sequence of title strings. An empty list can be used to leave titles out.

#### aligned

[bool, optional] If True, align the fields by padding as the C-compiler would. Default is False.

#### byteorder

[str, optional] If specified, all the fields will be changed to the provided byte-order. Otherwise, the default byte-order is used. For all available string specifiers, see `dtype.newbyteorder`.

### See also:

`dtype, typename, sctype2char`

## Examples

```
>>> np.format_parser(['<f8', '<i4', '<a5'], ['col1', 'col2', 'col3'],
...                   ['T1', 'T2', 'T3']).dtype
dtype([(('T1', 'col1'), '<f8'), (('T2', 'col2'), '<i4'), (('T3', 'col3'), 'S5'))]
```

`names` and/or `titles` can be empty lists. If `titles` is an empty list, titles will simply not appear. If `names` is empty, default field names will be used.

```
>>> np.format_parser(['f8', 'i4', 'a5'], ['col1', 'col2', 'col3'],
...                   []).dtype
dtype([(('col1', '<f8'), ('col2', '<i4'), ('col3', '<a5'))])
>>> np.format_parser(['<f8', '<i4', '<a5'], [], []).dtype
dtype([('f0', '<f8'), ('f1', '<i4'), ('f2', 'a5')])
```

## Attributes

### `dtype`

[`dtype`] The converted data-type.

## 5.7.2 Data type information

<code>finfo</code> ( <code>dtype</code> )	Machine limits for floating point types.
<code>iinfo</code> ( <code>type</code> )	Machine limits for integer types.
<code>MachAr</code> ([ <code>float_conv</code> , <code>int_conv</code> , ...])	Diagnosing machine parameters.

**class** `numpy.finfo` (`dtype`)

Machine limits for floating point types.

### Parameters

#### `dtype`

[`float`, `dtype`, or `instance`] Kind of floating point data-type about which to get information.

### See also:

#### `MachAr`

The implementation of the tests that produce this information.

#### `iinfo`

The equivalent for integer data types.

#### `spacing`

The distance between a value and the nearest adjacent number

#### `nextafter`

The next floating point value after `x1` towards `x2`

## Notes

For developers of NumPy: do not instantiate this at the module level. The initial calculation of these parameters is expensive and negatively impacts import times. These objects are cached, so calling `finfo()` repeatedly inside your functions is not a problem.

Note that `smallest_normal` is not actually the smallest positive representable value in a NumPy floating point type. As in the IEEE-754 standard [1], NumPy floating point types make use of subnormal numbers to fill the gap between 0 and `smallest_normal`. However, subnormal numbers may have significantly reduced precision [2].

## References

[1], [2]

### Attributes

#### bits

[int] The number of bits occupied by the type.

#### eps

[float] The difference between 1.0 and the next smallest representable float larger than 1.0. For example, for 64-bit binary floats in the IEEE-754 standard,  $\text{eps} = 2^{*-52}$ , approximately 2.22e-16.

#### epsneg

[float] The difference between 1.0 and the next smallest representable float less than 1.0. For example, for 64-bit binary floats in the IEEE-754 standard,  $\text{epsneg} = 2^{*-53}$ , approximately 1.11e-16.

#### iexp

[int] The number of bits in the exponent portion of the floating point representation.

#### machar

[MachAr] The object which calculated these parameters and holds more detailed information.

#### machepr

[int] The exponent that yields  $\text{eps}$ .

#### max

[floating point number of the appropriate type] The largest representable number.

#### maxexp

[int] The smallest positive power of the base (2) that causes overflow.

#### min

[floating point number of the appropriate type] The smallest representable number, typically  $-\text{max}$ .

#### minexp

[int] The most negative power of the base (2) consistent with there being no leading 0's in the mantissa.

#### negepr

[int] The exponent that yields  $\text{epsneg}$ .

#### nexp

[int] The number of bits in the exponent including its sign and bias.

#### nmant

[int] The number of bits in the mantissa.

#### precision

[int] The approximate number of decimal digits to which this kind of float is precise.

**resolution**

[floating point number of the appropriate type] The approximate decimal resolution of this type, i.e.,  $10^{**\text{-precision}}$ .

**tiny**

[float] Return the value for tiny, alias of smallest\_normal.

**smallest\_normal**

[float] Return the value for the smallest normal.

**smallest\_subnormal**

[float] The smallest positive floating point number with 0 as leading bit in the mantissa following IEEE-754.

**class** numpy.iinfo(*type*)

Machine limits for integer types.

**Parameters****int\_type**

[integer type, dtype, or instance] The kind of integer data type to get information about.

**See also:****finfo**

The equivalent for floating point data types.

**Examples**

With types:

```
>>> ii16 = np.iinfo(np.int16)
>>> ii16.min
-32768
>>> ii16.max
32767
>>> ii32 = np.iinfo(np.int32)
>>> ii32.min
-2147483648
>>> ii32.max
2147483647
```

With instances:

```
>>> ii32 = np.iinfo(np.int32(10))
>>> ii32.min
-2147483648
>>> ii32.max
2147483647
```

**Attributes**

**bits**

[int] The number of bits occupied by the type.

**min**

[int] Minimum value of given dtype.

**max**

[int] Maximum value of given dtype.

```
class numpy.MachAr(float_conv=<class 'float'>, int_conv=<class 'int'>, float_to_float=<class 'float'>,  
float_to_str=<function MachAr.<lambda>>, title='Python floating point number')
```

Diagnosing machine parameters.

**Parameters****float\_conv**

[function, optional] Function that converts an integer or integer array to a float or float array.  
Default is `float`.

**int\_conv**

[function, optional] Function that converts a float or float array to an integer or integer array.  
Default is `int`.

**float\_to\_float**

[function, optional] Function that converts a float array to float. Default is `float`. Note that  
this does not seem to do anything useful in the current implementation.

**float\_to\_str**

[function, optional] Function that converts a single float to a string. Default is `lambda v: '%24.16e' %v`.

**title**

[str, optional] Title that is printed in the string representation of `MachAr`.

**See also:****`finfo`**

Machine limits for floating point types.

**`iinfo`**

Machine limits for integer types.

## References

[1]

### Attributes

#### **ibeta**

[int] Radix in which numbers are represented.

#### **it**

[int] Number of base-*ibeta* digits in the floating point mantissa M.

#### **machep**

[int] Exponent of the smallest (most negative) power of *ibeta* that, added to 1.0, gives something different from 1.0

#### **eps**

[float] Floating-point number  $\text{beta}^{*\text{machep}}$  (floating point precision)

#### **negep**

[int] Exponent of the smallest power of *ibeta* that, subtracted from 1.0, gives something different from 1.0.

#### **epsneg**

[float] Floating-point number  $\text{beta}^{*\text{negep}}$ .

#### **iexp**

[int] Number of bits in the exponent (including its sign and bias).

#### **minexp**

[int] Smallest (most negative) power of *ibeta* consistent with there being no leading zeros in the mantissa.

#### **xmin**

[float] Floating-point number  $\text{beta}^{*\text{minexp}}$  (the smallest [in magnitude] positive floating point number with full precision).

#### **maxexp**

[int] Smallest (positive) power of *ibeta* that causes overflow.

#### **xmax**

[float]  $(1-\text{epsneg}) * \text{beta}^{*\text{maxexp}}$  (the largest [in magnitude] usable floating value).

#### **irnd**

[int] In `range(6)`, information on what kind of rounding is done in addition, and on how underflow is handled.

#### **ngrd**

[int] Number of ‘guard digits’ used when truncating the product of two mantissas to fit the representation.

#### **epsilon**

[float] Same as *eps*.

**tiny**

[float] An alias for *smallest\_normal*, kept for backwards compatibility.

**huge**

[float] Same as *xmax*.

**precision**

[float] = `int(-log10(eps))`

**resolution**

[float] = `10**(-precision)`

**smallest\_normal**

[float] The smallest positive floating point number with 1 as leading bit in the mantissa following IEEE-754. Same as *xmin*.

**smallest\_subnormal**

[float] The smallest positive floating point number with 0 as leading bit in the mantissa following IEEE-754.

### 5.7.3 Data type testing

<code>issctype(rep)</code>	Determines whether the given object represents a scalar data-type.
<code>issubdtype(arg1, arg2)</code>	Returns True if first argument is a typecode lower/equal in type hierarchy.
<code>issubsctype(arg1, arg2)</code>	Determine if the first argument is a subclass of the second argument.
<code>issubclass_(arg1, arg2)</code>	Determine if a class is a subclass of a second class.
<code>find_common_type(array_types, scalar_types)</code>	Determine common type following standard coercion rules.

`numpy.issctype(rep)`

Determines whether the given object represents a scalar data-type.

**Parameters****rep**

[any] If *rep* is an instance of a scalar dtype, True is returned. If not, False is returned.

**Returns****out**

[bool] Boolean result of check whether *rep* is a scalar dtype.

**See also:**

`issubsctype`, `issubdtype`, `obj2sctype`, `sctype2char`

## Examples

```
>>> np.issctype(np.int32)
True
>>> np.issctype(list)
False
>>> np.issctype(1.1)
False
```

Strings are also a scalar type:

```
>>> np.issctype(np.dtype('str'))
True
```

`numpy.issubdtype(arg1, arg2)`

Returns True if first argument is a typecode lower/equal in type hierarchy.

This is like the builtin `issubclass`, but for `dtypes`.

### Parameters

**arg1, arg2**

[`dtype_like`] `dtype` or object coercible to one

### Returns

**out**

[`bool`]

**See also:**

*Scalars*

Overview of the numpy type hierarchy.

[`issubsctype`](#), [`issubclass\_`](#)

## Examples

`issubdtype` can be used to check the type of arrays:

```
>>> ints = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int32)
>>> np.issubdtype(ints.dtype, np.integer)
True
>>> np.issubdtype(ints.dtype, np.floating)
False
```

```
>>> floats = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.float32)
>>> np.issubdtype(floats.dtype, np.integer)
False
>>> np.issubdtype(floats.dtype, np.floating)
True
```

Similar types of different sizes are not subtypes of each other:

```
>>> np.issubdtype(np.float64, np.float32)
False
>>> np.issubdtype(np.float32, np.float64)
False
```

but both are subtypes of *floating*:

```
>>> np.issubdtype(np.float64, np.floating)
True
>>> np.issubdtype(np.float32, np.floating)
True
```

For convenience, dtype-like objects are allowed too:

```
>>> np.issubdtype('S1', np.string_)
True
>>> np.issubdtype('i4', np.signedinteger)
True
```

## numpy.issubsctype(arg1, arg2)

Determine if the first argument is a subclass of the second argument.

### Parameters

#### arg1, arg2

[dtype or dtype specifier] Data-types.

### Returns

#### out

[bool] The result.

### See also:

[issctype](#), [issubdtype](#), [obj2sctype](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.issubsctype('S8', str)
False
>>> np.issubsctype(np.array([1]), int)
True
>>> np.issubsctype(np.array([1]), float)
False
```

## numpy.issubclass\_(arg1, arg2)

Determine if a class is a subclass of a second class.

*issubclass\_* is equivalent to the Python built-in `issubclass`, except that it returns False instead of raising a `TypeError` if one of the arguments is not a class.

### Parameters

**arg1**

[class] Input class. True is returned if *arg1* is a subclass of *arg2*.

**arg2**

[class or tuple of classes.] Input class. If a tuple of classes, True is returned if *arg1* is a subclass of any of the tuple elements.

**Returns****out**

[bool] Whether *arg1* is a subclass of *arg2* or not.

**See also:**

[\*issubscotype\*](#), [\*issubdtype\*](#), [\*issctype\*](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.issubclass_(np.int32, int)
False
>>> np.issubclass_(np.int32, float)
False
>>> np.issubclass_(np.float64, float)
True
```

`numpy.find_common_type(array_types, scalar_types)`

Determine common type following standard coercion rules.

**Parameters****array\_types**

[sequence] A list of dtypes or dtype convertible objects representing arrays.

**scalar\_types**

[sequence] A list of dtypes or dtype convertible objects representing scalars.

**Returns****datatype**

[dtype] The common data type, which is the maximum of *array\_types* ignoring *scalar\_types*, unless the maximum of *scalar\_types* is of a different kind (`dtype.kind`). If the kind is not understood, then None is returned.

**See also:**

[\*dtype\*](#), [\*common\\_type\*](#), [\*can\\_cast\*](#), [\*mintypecode\*](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.find_common_type([], [np.int64, np.float32, complex])
dtype('complex128')
>>> np.find_common_type([np.int64, np.float32], [])
dtype('float64')
```

The standard casting rules ensure that a scalar cannot up-cast an array unless the scalar is of a fundamentally different kind of data (i.e. under a different hierarchy in the data type hierarchy) then the array:

```
>>> np.find_common_type([np.float32], [np.int64, np.float64])
dtype('float32')
```

Complex is of a different type, so it up-casts the float in the *array\_types* argument:

```
>>> np.find_common_type([np.float32], [complex])
dtype('complex128')
```

Type specifier strings are convertible to dtypes and can therefore be used instead of dtypes:

```
>>> np.find_common_type(['f4', 'f4', 'i4'], ['c8'])
dtype('complex128')
```

## 5.7.4 Miscellaneous

<code>typename(char)</code>	Return a description for the given data type code.
<code>sctype2char(sctype)</code>	Return the string representation of a scalar dtype.
<code>mintypecode(typechars[, typeset, default])</code>	Return the character for the minimum-size type to which given types can be safely cast.
<code>maximum_sctype(t)</code>	Return the scalar type of highest precision of the same kind as the input.

`numpy.typename (char)`

Return a description for the given data type code.

### Parameters

#### char

[str] Data type code.

### Returns

#### out

[str] Description of the input data type code.

See also:

`dtype, typecodes`

## Examples

```
>>> typechars = ['S1', '?', 'B', 'D', 'G', 'F', 'I', 'H', 'L', 'O', 'Q',
...               'S', 'U', 'V', 'b', 'd', 'g', 'f', 'i', 'h', 'l', 'q']
>>> for typechar in typechars:
...     print(typechar, ' : ', np.typename(typechar))
...
S1  :  character
?   :  bool
B   :  unsigned char
D   :  complex double precision
G   :  complex long double precision
F   :  complex single precision
I   :  unsigned integer
H   :  unsigned short
L   :  unsigned long integer
O   :  object
Q   :  unsigned long long integer
S   :  string
U   :  unicode
V   :  void
b   :  signed char
d   :  double precision
g   :  long precision
f   :  single precision
i   :  integer
h   :  short
l   :  long integer
q   :  long long integer
```

`numpy.sctype2char(sctype)`

Return the string representation of a scalar dtype.

### Parameters

#### sctype

[scalar dtype or object] If a scalar dtype, the corresponding string character is returned. If an object, `sctype2char` tries to infer its scalar type and then return the corresponding string character.

### Returns

#### typechar

[str] The string character corresponding to the scalar type.

### Raises

#### ValueError

If `sctype` is an object for which the type can not be inferred.

### See also:

`obj2sctype`, `issctype`, `issubscotype`, `mintypecode`

## Examples

```
>>> for sctype in [np.int32, np.double, np.complex_, np.string_, np.ndarray]:
...     print(np.sctype2char(sctype))
l # may vary
```

d

D

S

O

```
>>> x = np.array([1., 2-1.j])
>>> np.sctype2char(x)
```

'D'

```
>>> np.sctype2char([list])
'O'
```

`numpy.mintypecode(typechars, typeset='GDFgdf', default='d')`

Return the character for the minimum-size type to which given types can be safely cast.

The returned type character must represent the smallest size dtype such that an array of the returned type can handle the data from an array of all types in `typechars` (or if `typechars` is an array, then its `dtype.char`).

### Parameters

#### `typechars`

[list of str or array\_like] If a list of strings, each string should represent a dtype. If array\_like, the character representation of the array dtype is used.

#### `typeset`

[str or list of str, optional] The set of characters that the returned character is chosen from. The default set is 'GDFgdf'.

#### `default`

[str, optional] The default character, this is returned if none of the characters in `typechars` matches a character in `typeset`.

### Returns

#### `typechar`

[str] The character representing the minimum-size type that was found.

See also:

[`dtype`](#), [`sctype2char`](#), [`maximum\_sctype`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.mintypecode(['d', 'f', 'S'])
'd'
>>> x = np.array([1.1, 2-3.j])
>>> np.mintypecode(x)
'D'
```

```
>>> np.mintypecode('abceh', default='G')
'G'
```

### `numpy.maximum_sctype(t)`

Return the scalar type of highest precision of the same kind as the input.

#### Parameters

`t`

[`dtype` or `dtype` specifier] The input data type. This can be a `dtype` object or an object that is convertible to a `dtype`.

#### Returns

`out`

[`dtype`] The highest precision data type of the same kind (`dtype.kind`) as `t`.

See also:

[`obj2sctype`](#), [`mintypecode`](#), [`sctype2char`](#)  
[`dtype`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.maximum_sctype(int)
<class 'numpy.int64'>
>>> np.maximum_sctype(np.uint8)
<class 'numpy.uint64'>
>>> np.maximum_sctype(complex)
<class 'numpy.complex256'> # may vary
```

```
>>> np.maximum_sctype(str)
<class 'numpy.str_'>
```

```
>>> np.maximum_sctype('i2')
<class 'numpy.int64'>
>>> np.maximum_sctype('f4')
<class 'numpy.float128'> # may vary
```

## 5.8 Optionally SciPy-accelerated routines (`numpy.dual`)

Deprecated since version 1.20.

*This module is deprecated. Instead of importing functions from `numpy.dual`, the functions should be imported directly from NumPy or SciPy.*

Aliases for functions which may be accelerated by SciPy.

SciPy can be built to use accelerated or otherwise improved libraries for FFTs, linear algebra, and special functions. This module allows developers to transparently support these accelerated functions when SciPy is available but still support users who have only installed NumPy.

### 5.8.1 Linear algebra

<code>cholesky(a)</code>	Cholesky decomposition.
<code>det(a)</code>	Compute the determinant of an array.
<code>eig(a)</code>	Compute the eigenvalues and right eigenvectors of a square array.
<code>eigh(a[, UPLO])</code>	Return the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) or a real symmetric matrix.
<code>eigvals(a)</code>	Compute the eigenvalues of a general matrix.
<code>eigvalsh(a[, UPLO])</code>	Compute the eigenvalues of a complex Hermitian or real symmetric matrix.
<code>inv(a)</code>	Compute the (multiplicative) inverse of a matrix.
<code>lstsq(a, b[, rcond])</code>	Return the least-squares solution to a linear matrix equation.
<code>norm(x[, ord, axis, keepdims])</code>	Matrix or vector norm.
<code>pinv(a[, rcond, hermitian])</code>	Compute the (Moore-Penrose) pseudo-inverse of a matrix.
<code>solve(a, b)</code>	Solve a linear matrix equation, or system of linear scalar equations.
<code>svd(a[, full_matrices, compute_uv, hermitian])</code>	Singular Value Decomposition.

### 5.8.2 FFT

<code>fft(a[, n, axis, norm])</code>	Compute the one-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>fft2(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the 2-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>fftn(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>ifft(a[, n, axis, norm])</code>	Compute the one-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>ifft2(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the 2-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>ifftn(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the N-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.

### 5.8.3 Other

`i0(x)`

Modified Bessel function of the first kind, order 0.

## 5.9 Mathematical functions with automatic domain

**Note:** `numpy.emath` is a preferred alias for `numpy.lib.scimath`, available after `numpy` is imported.

Wrapper functions to more user-friendly calling of certain math functions whose output data-type is different than the input data-type in certain domains of the input.

For example, for functions like `log` with branch cuts, the versions in this module provide the mathematically valid answers in the complex plane:

```
>>> import math
>>> np.emath.log(-math.exp(1)) == (1+1j*math.pi)
True
```

Similarly, `sqrt`, other base logarithms, `power` and trig functions are correctly handled. See their respective docstrings for specific examples.

### 5.9.1 Functions

<code>sqrt(x)</code>	Compute the square root of $x$ .
<code>log(x)</code>	Compute the natural logarithm of $x$ .
<code>log2(x)</code>	Compute the logarithm base 2 of $x$ .
<code>logn(n, x)</code>	Take log base $n$ of $x$ .
<code>log10(x)</code>	Compute the logarithm base 10 of $x$ .
<code>power(x, p)</code>	Return $x$ to the power $p$ , ( $x^{**p}$ ).
<code>arccos(x)</code>	Compute the inverse cosine of $x$ .
<code>arcsin(x)</code>	Compute the inverse sine of $x$ .
<code>arctanh(x)</code>	Compute the inverse hyperbolic tangent of $x$ .

`emath.sqrt (x)`

Compute the square root of  $x$ .

For negative input elements, a complex value is returned (unlike `numpy.sqrt` which returns NaN).

#### Parameters

`x`

[array\_like] The input value(s).

#### Returns

`out`

[ndarray or scalar] The square root of  $x$ . If  $x$  was a scalar, so is `out`, otherwise an array is returned.

**See also:**

[`numpy.sqrt`](#)

## Examples

For real, non-negative inputs this works just like [`numpy.sqrt`](#):

```
>>> np.emath.sqrt(1)
1.0
>>> np.emath.sqrt([1, 4])
array([1.,  2.])
```

But it automatically handles negative inputs:

```
>>> np.emath.sqrt(-1)
1j
>>> np.emath.sqrt([-1, 4])
array([0.+1.j,  2.+0.j])
```

Different results are expected because: floating point 0.0 and -0.0 are distinct.

For more control, explicitly use `complex()` as follows:

```
>>> np.emath.sqrt(complex(-4.0, 0.0))
2j
>>> np.emath.sqrt(complex(-4.0, -0.0))
-2j
```

## `emath.log(x)`

Compute the natural logarithm of  $x$ .

Return the “principal value” (for a description of this, see [`numpy.log`](#)) of  $\log_e(x)$ . For real  $x > 0$ , this is a real number ( $\log(0)$  returns  $-\inf$  and  $\log(np.inf)$  returns  $\inf$ ). Otherwise, the complex principle value is returned.

### Parameters

#### `x`

[array\_like] The value(s) whose log is (are) required.

### Returns

#### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] The log of the  $x$  value(s). If  $x$  was a scalar, so is `out`, otherwise an array is returned.

**See also:**

[`numpy.log`](#)

## Notes

For a `log()` that returns `NAN` when real  $x < 0$ , use `numpy.log` (note, however, that otherwise `numpy.log` and this `log` are identical, i.e., both return `-inf` for  $x = 0$ , `inf` for  $x = inf$ , and, notably, the complex principle value if  $x.imag != 0$ ).

## Examples

```
>>> np.emath.log(np.exp(1))
1.0
```

Negative arguments are handled “correctly” (recall that `exp(log(x)) == x` does *not* hold for real  $x < 0$ ):

```
>>> np.emath.log(-np.exp(1)) == (1 + np.pi * 1j)
True
```

### `emath.log2(x)`

Compute the logarithm base 2 of  $x$ .

Return the “principal value” (for a description of this, see `numpy.log2`) of  $\log_2(x)$ . For real  $x > 0$ , this is a real number (`log2(0)` returns `-inf` and `log2(np.inf)` returns `inf`). Otherwise, the complex principle value is returned.

#### Parameters

##### `x`

[array\_like] The value(s) whose log base 2 is (are) required.

#### Returns

##### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] The log base 2 of the  $x$  value(s). If  $x$  was a scalar, so is `out`, otherwise an array is returned.

#### See also:

[`numpy.log2`](#)

## Notes

For a `log2()` that returns `NAN` when real  $x < 0$ , use `numpy.log2` (note, however, that otherwise `numpy.log2` and this `log2` are identical, i.e., both return `-inf` for  $x = 0$ , `inf` for  $x = inf$ , and, notably, the complex principle value if  $x.imag != 0$ ).

## Examples

We set the printing precision so the example can be auto-tested:

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)

>>> np.emath.log2(8)
3.0
>>> np.emath.log2([-4, -8, 8])
array([2.+4.5324j, 3.+4.5324j, 3.+0.j])
```

`emath.log(n, x)`

Take log base  $n$  of  $x$ .

If  $x$  contains negative inputs, the answer is computed and returned in the complex domain.

### Parameters

**n**

[array\_like] The integer base(s) in which the log is taken.

**x**

[array\_like] The value(s) whose log base  $n$  is (are) required.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] The log base  $n$  of the  $x$  value(s). If  $x$  was a scalar, so is *out*, otherwise an array is returned.

## Examples

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)

>>> np.emath.logn(2, [4, 8])
array([2., 3.])
>>> np.emath.logn(2, [-4, -8, 8])
array([2.+4.5324j, 3.+4.5324j, 3.+0.j])
```

`emath.log10(x)`

Compute the logarithm base 10 of  $x$ .

Return the “principal value” (for a description of this, see [numpy.log10](#)) of  $\log_{10}(x)$ . For real  $x > 0$ , this is a real number ( $\log_{10}(0)$  returns  $-\inf$  and  $\log_{10}(\text{np.inf})$  returns  $\inf$ ). Otherwise, the complex principle value is returned.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like or scalar] The value(s) whose log base 10 is (are) required.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] The log base 10 of the  $x$  value(s). If  $x$  was a scalar, so is *out*, otherwise an array object is returned.

See also:

[numpy.log10](#)

**Notes**

For a `log10()` that returns NAN when real  $x < 0$ , use `numpy.log10` (note, however, that otherwise `numpy.log10` and this `log10` are identical, i.e., both return  $-\inf$  for  $x = 0$ ,  $\inf$  for  $x = \inf$ , and, notably, the complex principle value if  $x.\text{imag} != 0$ ).

**Examples**

(We set the printing precision so the example can be auto-tested)

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
```

```
>>> np.emath.log10(10**1)
1.0
```

```
>>> np.emath.log10([-10**1, -10**2, 10**2])
array([1.+1.3644j, 2.+1.3644j, 2.+0.j])
```

`emath.power(x, p)`

Return  $x$  to the power  $p$ , ( $x^{*p}$ ).

If  $x$  contains negative values, the output is converted to the complex domain.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] The input value(s).

**p**

[array\_like of ints] The power(s) to which  $x$  is raised. If  $x$  contains multiple values,  $p$  has to either be a scalar, or contain the same number of values as  $x$ . In the latter case, the result is  $x[0]**p[0], x[1]**p[1], \dots$

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] The result of  $x^{*p}$ . If  $x$  and  $p$  are scalars, so is *out*, otherwise an array is returned.

See also:

[numpy.power](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
```

```
>>> np.emath.power([2, 4], 2)
array([ 4, 16])
>>> np.emath.power([2, 4], -2)
array([0.25,  0.0625])
>>> np.emath.power([-2, 4], 2)
array([-4.-0.j, 16.+0.j])
```

`emath.arccos(x)`

Compute the inverse cosine of x.

Return the “principal value” (for a description of this, see [numpy.arccos](#)) of the inverse cosine of  $x$ . For real  $x$  such that  $\text{abs}(x) \leq 1$ , this is a real number in the closed interval  $[0, \pi]$ . Otherwise, the complex principle value is returned.

### Parameters

`x`

[array\_like or scalar] The value(s) whose arccos is (are) required.

### Returns

`out`

[ndarray or scalar] The inverse cosine(s) of the  $x$  value(s). If  $x$  was a scalar, so is `out`, otherwise an array object is returned.

See also:

[numpy.arccos](#)

## Notes

For an arccos() that returns NAN when real  $x$  is not in the interval  $[-1, 1]$ , use [numpy.arccos](#).

## Examples

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
```

```
>>> np.emath.arccos(1) # a scalar is returned
0.0
```

```
>>> np.emath.arccos([1,2])
array([0.-0.j, 0.-1.317j])
```

`emath.arcsin(x)`

Compute the inverse sine of x.

Return the “principal value” (for a description of this, see [numpy.arcsin](#)) of the inverse sine of  $x$ . For real  $x$  such that  $\text{abs}(x) \leq 1$ , this is a real number in the closed interval  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ . Otherwise, the complex principle value is returned.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like or scalar] The value(s) whose arcsin is (are) required.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] The inverse sine(s) of the  $x$  value(s). If  $x$  was a scalar, so is  $out$ , otherwise an array object is returned.

See also:

[numpy.arcsin](#)

### Notes

For an `arcsin()` that returns `NAN` when real  $x$  is not in the interval  $[-1, 1]$ , use [numpy.arcsin](#).

### Examples

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
```

```
>>> np.emath.arcsin(0)
0.0
```

```
>>> np.emath.arcsin([0, 1])
array([0.        , 1.5708])
```

`emath.arctanh(x)`

Compute the inverse hyperbolic tangent of  $x$ .

Return the “principal value” (for a description of this, see [numpy.arctanh](#)) of  $\text{arctanh}(x)$ . For real  $x$  such that  $\text{abs}(x) < 1$ , this is a real number. If  $\text{abs}(x) > 1$ , or if  $x$  is complex, the result is complex. Finally,  $x = 1$  returns “`inf`” and  $x=-1$  returns `-inf`.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] The value(s) whose arctanh is (are) required.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] The inverse hyperbolic tangent(s) of the  $x$  value(s). If  $x$  was a scalar so is  $out$ , otherwise an array is returned.

See also:

[numpy.arctanh](#)

## Notes

For an arctanh() that returns `NAN` when real  $x$  is not in the interval  $(-1, 1)$ , use `numpy.arctanh` (this latter, however, does return  $+\text{-}\infty$  for  $x = +\text{-}1$ ).

## Examples

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
```

```
>>> from numpy.testing import suppress_warnings
>>> with suppress_warnings() as sup:
...     sup.filter(RuntimeWarning)
...     np.emath.arctanh(np.eye(2))
array([[inf,  0.],
       [0., inf]])
>>> np.emath.arctanh([1j])
array([0.+0.7854j])
```

## 5.10 Floating point error handling

### 5.10.1 Setting and getting error handling

<code>seterr([all, divide, over, under, invalid])</code>	Set how floating-point errors are handled.
<code>geterr()</code>	Get the current way of handling floating-point errors.
<code>seterrcall(func)</code>	Set the floating-point error callback function or log object.
<code>geterrcall()</code>	Return the current callback function used on floating-point errors.
<code>errstate(**kwargs)</code>	Context manager for floating-point error handling.

`numpy.seterr(all=None, divide=None, over=None, under=None, invalid=None)`

Set how floating-point errors are handled.

Note that operations on integer scalar types (such as `int16`) are handled like floating point, and are affected by these settings.

#### Parameters

##### all

[{'ignore', 'warn', 'raise', 'call', 'print', 'log'}, optional] Set treatment for all types of floating-point errors at once:

- ignore: Take no action when the exception occurs.
- warn: Print a *RuntimeWarning* (via the Python `warnings` module).
- raise: Raise a *FloatingPointError*.

- call: Call a function specified using the `seterrcall` function.
- print: Print a warning directly to `stdout`.
- log: Record error in a Log object specified by `seterrcall`.

The default is not to change the current behavior.

### divide

[{'ignore', 'warn', 'raise', 'call', 'print', 'log'}, optional] Treatment for division by zero.

### over

[{'ignore', 'warn', 'raise', 'call', 'print', 'log'}, optional] Treatment for floating-point overflow.

### under

[{'ignore', 'warn', 'raise', 'call', 'print', 'log'}, optional] Treatment for floating-point underflow.

### invalid

[{'ignore', 'warn', 'raise', 'call', 'print', 'log'}, optional] Treatment for invalid floating-point operation.

### Returns

#### old\_settings

[dict] Dictionary containing the old settings.

### See also:

#### `seterrcall`

Set a callback function for the ‘call’ mode.

#### `geterr`, `geterrcall`, `errstate`

### Notes

The floating-point exceptions are defined in the IEEE 754 standard [1]:

- Division by zero: infinite result obtained from finite numbers.
- Overflow: result too large to be expressed.
- Underflow: result so close to zero that some precision was lost.
- Invalid operation: result is not an expressible number, typically indicates that a NaN was produced.

### Examples

```
>>> old_settings = np.seterr(all='ignore')    #seterr to known value
>>> np.seterr(over='raise')
{'divide': 'ignore', 'over': 'ignore', 'under': 'ignore', 'invalid': 'ignore'}
>>> np.seterr(**old_settings)   # reset to default
{'divide': 'ignore', 'over': 'raise', 'under': 'ignore', 'invalid': 'ignore'}
```

```
>>> np.int16(32000) * np.int16(3)
30464
>>> old_settings = np.seterr(all='warn', over='raise')
>>> np.int16(32000) * np.int16(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
FloatingPointError: overflow encountered in short_scalars
```

```
>>> old_settings = np.seterr(all='print')
>>> np.geterr()
{'divide': 'print', 'over': 'print', 'under': 'print', 'invalid': 'print'}
>>> np.int16(32000) * np.int16(3)
30464
```

**numpy.geterr()**

Get the current way of handling floating-point errors.

**Returns****res**

[dict] A dictionary with keys “divide”, “over”, “under”, and “invalid”, whose values are from the strings “ignore”, “print”, “log”, “warn”, “raise”, and “call”. The keys represent possible floating-point exceptions, and the values define how these exceptions are handled.

**See also:**

[geterrcall](#), [seterr](#), [seterrcall](#)

**Notes**

For complete documentation of the types of floating-point exceptions and treatment options, see [seterr](#).

**Examples**

```
>>> np.geterr()
{'divide': 'warn', 'over': 'warn', 'under': 'ignore', 'invalid': 'warn'}
>>> np.arange(3.) / np.arange(3.)
array([nan,  1.,  1.])
```

```
>>> oldsettings = np.seterr(all='warn', over='raise')
>>> np.geterr()
{'divide': 'warn', 'over': 'raise', 'under': 'warn', 'invalid': 'warn'}
>>> np.arange(3.) / np.arange(3.)
array([nan,  1.,  1.])
```

**numpy.seterrcall(func)**

Set the floating-point error callback function or log object.

There are two ways to capture floating-point error messages. The first is to set the error-handler to ‘call’, using [seterr](#). Then, set the function to call using this function.

The second is to set the error-handler to ‘log’, using [seterr](#). Floating-point errors then trigger a call to the ‘write’ method of the provided object.

## Parameters

### func

[callable f(err, flag) or object with write method] Function to call upon floating-point errors ('call'-mode) or object whose 'write' method is used to log such message ('log'-mode).

The call function takes two arguments. The first is a string describing the type of error (such as "divide by zero", "overflow", "underflow", or "invalid value"), and the second is the status flag. The flag is a byte, whose four least-significant bits indicate the type of error, one of "divide", "over", "under", "invalid":

```
[0 0 0 0 divide over under invalid]
```

In other words, `flags = divide + 2*over + 4*under + 8*invalid`.

If an object is provided, its write method should take one argument, a string.

## Returns

### h

[callable, log instance or None] The old error handler.

**See also:**

[`seterr`](#), [`geterr`](#), [`geterrcall`](#)

## Examples

Callback upon error:

```
>>> def err_handler(type, flag):
...     print("Floating point error (%s), with flag %s" % (type, flag))
... 
```

```
>>> saved_handler = np.seterrcall(err_handler)
>>> save_err = np.seterr(all='call')
```

```
>>> np.array([1, 2, 3]) / 0.0
Floating point error (divide by zero), with flag 1
array([inf, inf, inf])
```

```
>>> np.seterrcall(saved_handler)
<function err_handler at 0x...>
>>> np.seterr(**save_err)
{'divide': 'call', 'over': 'call', 'under': 'call', 'invalid': 'call'}
```

Log error message:

```
>>> class Log:
...     def write(self, msg):
...         print("LOG: %s" % msg)
... 
```

```
>>> log = Log()
>>> saved_handler = np.seterrcall(log)
>>> save_err = np.seterr(all='log')
```

```
>>> np.array([1, 2, 3]) / 0.0
LOG: Warning: divide by zero encountered in divide
array([inf, inf, inf])
```

```
>>> np.seterrcall(saved_handler)
<numpy.core.numeric.Log object at 0x...>
>>> np.seterr(**save_err)
{'divide': 'log', 'over': 'log', 'under': 'log', 'invalid': 'log'}
```

## numpy.geterrcall()

Return the current callback function used on floating-point errors.

When the error handling for a floating-point error (one of “divide”, “over”, “under”, or “invalid”) is set to ‘call’ or ‘log’, the function that is called or the log instance that is written to is returned by `geterrcall`. This function or log instance has been set with `seterrcall`.

### Returns

#### errobj

[callable, log instance or None] The current error handler. If no handler was set through `seterrcall`, None is returned.

### See also:

`seterrcall`, `seterr`, `geterr`

### Notes

For complete documentation of the types of floating-point exceptions and treatment options, see `seterr`.

### Examples

```
>>> np.geterrcall() # we did not yet set a handler, returns None
```

```
>>> oldsettings = np.seterr(all='call')
>>> def err_handler(type, flag):
...     print("Floating point error (%s), with flag %s" % (type, flag))
>>> oldhandler = np.seterrcall(err_handler)
>>> np.array([1, 2, 3]) / 0.0
Floating point error (divide by zero), with flag 1
array([inf, inf, inf])
```

```
>>> cur_handler = np.geterrcall()
>>> cur_handler is err_handler
True
```

```
class numpy.errstate(**kwargs)
```

Context manager for floating-point error handling.

Using an instance of `errstate` as a context manager allows statements in that context to execute with a known error handling behavior. Upon entering the context the error handling is set with `seterr` and `seterrcall`, and upon exiting it is reset to what it was before.

Changed in version 1.17.0: `errstate` is also usable as a function decorator, saving a level of indentation if an entire function is wrapped. See `contextlib.ContextDecorator` for more information.

### Parameters

#### kwargs

[{divide, over, under, invalid}] Keyword arguments. The valid keywords are the possible floating-point exceptions. Each keyword should have a string value that defines the treatment for the particular error. Possible values are {'ignore', 'warn', 'raise', 'call', 'print', 'log'}.

### See also:

`seterr`, `geterr`, `seterrcall`, `geterrcall`

### Notes

For complete documentation of the types of floating-point exceptions and treatment options, see `seterr`.

### Examples

```
>>> olderr = np.seterr(all='ignore') # Set error handling to known state.
```

```
>>> np.arange(3) / 0.
array([nan, inf, inf])
>>> with np.errstate(divide='warn'):
...     np.arange(3) / 0.
array([nan, inf, inf])
```

```
>>> np.sqrt(-1)
nan
>>> with np.errstate(invalid='raise'):
...     np.sqrt(-1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 2, in <module>
FloatingPointError: invalid value encountered in sqrt
```

Outside the context the error handling behavior has not changed:

```
>>> np.geterr()
{'divide': 'ignore', 'over': 'ignore', 'under': 'ignore', 'invalid': 'ignore'}
```

## Methods

<code>__call__(func)</code>	Call self as a function.
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method

`errstate.__call__(func)`

Call self as a function.

### 5.10.2 Internal functions

<code>seterrobj(errobj, /)</code>	Set the object that defines floating-point error handling.
<code>geterrobj()</code>	Return the current object that defines floating-point error handling.

`numpy.seterrobj(errobj, /)`

Set the object that defines floating-point error handling.

The error object contains all information that defines the error handling behavior in NumPy. `seterrobj` is used internally by the other functions that set error handling behavior (`seterr`, `seterrcall`).

#### Parameters

##### `errobj`

[list] The error object, a list containing three elements: [internal numpy buffer size, error mask, error callback function].

The error mask is a single integer that holds the treatment information on all four floating point errors. The information for each error type is contained in three bits of the integer. If we print it in base 8, we can see what treatment is set for “invalid”, “under”, “over”, and “divide” (in that order). The printed string can be interpreted with

- 0 : ‘ignore’
- 1 : ‘warn’
- 2 : ‘raise’
- 3 : ‘call’
- 4 : ‘print’
- 5 : ‘log’

See also:

`geterrobj, seterr, geterr, seterrcall, geterrcall`

`getbufsize, setbufsize`

## Notes

For complete documentation of the types of floating-point exceptions and treatment options, see [seterr](#).

## Examples

```
>>> old_errobj = np.geterrorobj()  # first get the defaults
>>> old_errobj
[8192, 521, None]
```

```
>>> def err_handler(type, flag):
...     print("Floating point error (%s), with flag %s" % (type, flag))
...
>>> new_errobj = [20000, 12, err_handler]
>>> np.seterrorobj(new_errobj)
>>> np.base_repr(12, 8)  # int for divide=4 ('print') and over=1 ('warn')
'14'
>>> np.geterr()
{'over': 'warn', 'divide': 'print', 'invalid': 'ignore', 'under': 'ignore'}
>>> np.geterrcall() is err_handler
True
```

### `numpy.geterrorobj()`

Return the current object that defines floating-point error handling.

The error object contains all information that defines the error handling behavior in NumPy. `geterrorobj` is used internally by the other functions that get and set error handling behavior (`geterr`, `seterr`, `geterrcall`, `seterrcall`).

#### Returns

##### `errobj`

[list] The error object, a list containing three elements: [internal numpy buffer size, error mask, error callback function].

The error mask is a single integer that holds the treatment information on all four floating point errors. The information for each error type is contained in three bits of the integer. If we print it in base 8, we can see what treatment is set for “invalid”, “under”, “over”, and “divide” (in that order). The printed string can be interpreted with

- 0 : ‘ignore’
- 1 : ‘warn’
- 2 : ‘raise’
- 3 : ‘call’
- 4 : ‘print’
- 5 : ‘log’

#### See also:

`seterrorobj`, `seterr`, `geterr`, `seterrcall`, `geterrcall`  
`getbufsize`, `setbufsize`

## Notes

For complete documentation of the types of floating-point exceptions and treatment options, see [seterr](#).

## Examples

```
>>> np.geterrobj()  # first get the defaults
[8192, 521, None]
```

```
>>> def err_handler(type, flag):
...     print("Floating point error (%s), with flag %s" % (type, flag))
...
>>> old_bufsize = np.setbufsize(20000)
>>> old_err = np.seterr(divide='raise')
>>> old_handler = np.seterrcall(err_handler)
>>> np.geterrobj()
[8192, 521, <function err_handler at 0x91dcaac>]
```

```
>>> old_err = np.seterr(all='ignore')
>>> np.base_repr(np.geterrobj()[1], 8)
'0'
>>> old_err = np.seterr(divide='warn', over='log', under='call',
...                      invalid='print')
>>> np.base_repr(np.geterrobj()[1], 8)
'4351'
```

## 5.11 Discrete Fourier Transform (numpy.fft)

The SciPy module `scipy.fft` is a more comprehensive superset of `numpy.fft`, which includes only a basic set of routines.

### 5.11.1 Standard FFTs

<code>fft(a[, n, axis, norm])</code>	Compute the one-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>ifft(a[, n, axis, norm])</code>	Compute the one-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>fft2(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the 2-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>ifft2(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the 2-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>fftn(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.
<code>ifftn(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the N-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.

`fft .fft (a, n=None, axis=-1, norm=None)`

Compute the one-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.

This function computes the one-dimensional  $n$ -point discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) with the efficient Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) algorithm [CT].

## Parameters

### a

[array\_like] Input array, can be complex.

### n

[int, optional] Length of the transformed axis of the output. If *n* is smaller than the length of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If *n* is not given, the length of the input along the axis specified by *axis* is used.

### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which to compute the FFT. If not given, the last axis is used.

### norm

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see [numpy.fft](#)). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

## Returns

### out

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axis indicated by *axis*, or the last one if *axis* is not specified.

## Raises

### IndexError

If *axis* is not a valid axis of *a*.

## See also:

### [`numpy.fft`](#)

for definition of the DFT and conventions used.

### [`ifft`](#)

The inverse of [`fft`](#).

### [`fft2`](#)

The two-dimensional FFT.

### [`fftn`](#)

The *n*-dimensional FFT.

### [`rfftn`](#)

The *n*-dimensional FFT of real input.

### [`fft freq`](#)

Frequency bins for given FFT parameters.

## Notes

FFT (Fast Fourier Transform) refers to a way the discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) can be calculated efficiently, by using symmetries in the calculated terms. The symmetry is highest when  $n$  is a power of 2, and the transform is therefore most efficient for these sizes.

The DFT is defined, with the conventions used in this implementation, in the documentation for the [numpy.fft](#) module.

## References

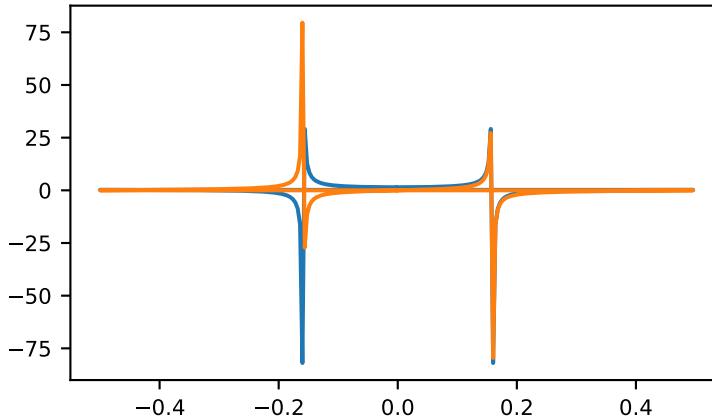
[CT]

## Examples

```
>>> np.fft.fft(np.exp(2j * np.pi * np.arange(8) / 8))
array([-2.33486982e-16+1.14423775e-17j,  8.00000000e+00-1.25557246e-15j,
       2.33486982e-16+2.33486982e-16j,  0.00000000e+00+1.22464680e-16j,
      -1.14423775e-17+2.33486982e-16j,  0.00000000e+00+5.20784380e-16j,
      1.14423775e-17+1.14423775e-17j,  0.00000000e+00+1.22464680e-16j])
```

In this example, real input has an FFT which is Hermitian, i.e., symmetric in the real part and anti-symmetric in the imaginary part, as described in the [numpy.fft](#) documentation:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> t = np.arange(256)
>>> sp = np.fft.fft(np.sin(t))
>>> freq = np.fft.fftfreq(t.shape[-1])
>>> plt.plot(freq, sp.real, freq, sp.imag)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>, <matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...
 ↵..>]
>>> plt.show()
```



**fft.iff**(*a*, *n=None*, *axis=-1*, *norm=None*)

Compute the one-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.

This function computes the inverse of the one-dimensional *n*-point discrete Fourier transform computed by [fft](#). In other words, `ifft(fft(a)) == a` to within numerical accuracy. For a general description of the algorithm and definitions, see [numpy.fft](#).

The input should be ordered in the same way as is returned by [fft](#), i.e.,

- *a[0]* should contain the zero frequency term,
- *a[1:n//2]* should contain the positive-frequency terms,
- *a[n//2 + 1:]* should contain the negative-frequency terms, in increasing order starting from the most negative frequency.

For an even number of input points, *A[n//2]* represents the sum of the values at the positive and negative Nyquist frequencies, as the two are aliased together. See [numpy.fft](#) for details.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input array, can be complex.

**n**

[int, optional] Length of the transformed axis of the output. If *n* is smaller than the length of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If *n* is not given, the length of the input along the axis specified by *axis* is used. See notes about padding issues.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which to compute the inverse DFT. If not given, the last axis is used.

**norm**

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see [numpy.fft](#)). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

**Returns****out**

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axis indicated by *axis*, or the last one if *axis* is not specified.

**Raises****IndexError**

If *axis* is not a valid axis of *a*.

**See also:**[\*\*numpy.fft\*\*](#)

An introduction, with definitions and general explanations.

**`fft`**

The one-dimensional (forward) FFT, of which `ifft` is the inverse

**`ifft2`**

The two-dimensional inverse FFT.

**`ifftn`**

The n-dimensional inverse FFT.

**Notes**

If the input parameter  $n$  is larger than the size of the input, the input is padded by appending zeros at the end. Even though this is the common approach, it might lead to surprising results. If a different padding is desired, it must be performed before calling `ifft`.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.fft.ifft([0, 4, 0, 0])
array([ 1.+0.j,  0.+1.j, -1.+0.j,  0.-1.j]) # may vary
```

Create and plot a band-limited signal with random phases:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> t = np.arange(400)
>>> n = np.zeros((400,), dtype=complex)
>>> n[40:60] = np.exp(1j*np.random.uniform(0, 2*np.pi, (20,)))
>>> s = np.fft.ifft(n)
>>> plt.plot(t, s.real, label='real')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at ...>]
>>> plt.plot(t, s.imag, '--', label='imaginary')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at ...>]
>>> plt.legend()
<matplotlib.legend.Legend object at ...>
>>> plt.show()
```

`fft.fft2(a, s=None, axes=(-2, -1), norm=None)`

Compute the 2-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.

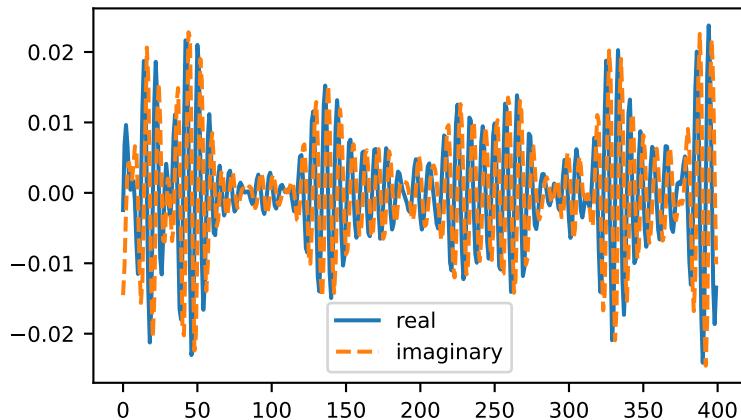
This function computes the  $n$ -dimensional discrete Fourier Transform over any axes in an  $M$ -dimensional array by means of the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). By default, the transform is computed over the last two axes of the input array, i.e., a 2-dimensional FFT.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input array, can be complex

**s**

[sequence of ints, optional] Shape (length of each transformed axis) of the output ( $s[0]$  refers to axis 0,  $s[1]$  to axis 1, etc.). This corresponds to  $n$  for `fft(x, n)`. Along each axis, if the given shape is smaller than that of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If  $s$  is not given, the shape of the input along the axes specified by `axes` is used.



### axes

[sequence of ints, optional] Axes over which to compute the FFT. If not given, the last two axes are used. A repeated index in *axes* means the transform over that axis is performed multiple times. A one-element sequence means that a one-dimensional FFT is performed.

### norm

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see [numpy.fft](#)). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

### Returns

#### out

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axes indicated by *axes*, or the last two axes if *axes* is not given.

### Raises

#### ValueError

If *s* and *axes* have different length, or *axes* not given and `len(s) != 2`.

#### IndexError

If an element of *axes* is larger than than the number of axes of *a*.

### See also:

#### [numpy.fft](#)

Overall view of discrete Fourier transforms, with definitions and conventions used.

**`ifft2`**

The inverse two-dimensional FFT.

**`fft`**

The one-dimensional FFT.

**`fftn`**

The  $n$ -dimensional FFT.

**`fftshift`**

Shifts zero-frequency terms to the center of the array. For two-dimensional input, swaps first and third quadrants, and second and fourth quadrants.

**Notes**

`fft2` is just `fftn` with a different default for `axes`.

The output, analogously to `fft`, contains the term for zero frequency in the low-order corner of the transformed axes, the positive frequency terms in the first half of these axes, the term for the Nyquist frequency in the middle of the axes and the negative frequency terms in the second half of the axes, in order of decreasingly negative frequency.

See `fftn` for details and a plotting example, and `numpy.fft` for definitions and conventions used.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.mgrid[:5, :5][0]
>>> np.fft.fft2(a)
array([[ 50. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, # may vary
         0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j],
       [-12.5+17.20477401j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j,
        0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j],
       [-12.5+4.0614962j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j,
        0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j],
       [-12.5-4.0614962j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j,
        0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j],
       [-12.5-17.20477401j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j,
        0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j, 0. +0.j]])
```

`fft.ifft2(a, s=None, axes=(-2, -1), norm=None)`

Compute the 2-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.

This function computes the inverse of the 2-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform over any number of axes in an M-dimensional array by means of the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). In other words, `ifft2(fft2(a)) == a` to within numerical accuracy. By default, the inverse transform is computed over the last two axes of the input array.

The input, analogously to `fft`, should be ordered in the same way as is returned by `fft2`, i.e. it should have the term for zero frequency in the low-order corner of the two axes, the positive frequency terms in the first half of these axes, the term for the Nyquist frequency in the middle of the axes and the negative frequency terms in the second half of both axes, in order of decreasingly negative frequency.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input array, can be complex.

**s**

[sequence of ints, optional] Shape (length of each axis) of the output (`s[0]` refers to axis 0, `s[1]` to axis 1, etc.). This corresponds to `n` for `ifft(x, n)`. Along each axis, if the given shape is smaller than that of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If `s` is not given, the shape of the input along the axes specified by `axes` is used. See notes for issue on `ifft` zero padding.

**axes**

[sequence of ints, optional] Axes over which to compute the FFT. If not given, the last two axes are used. A repeated index in `axes` means the transform over that axis is performed multiple times. A one-element sequence means that a one-dimensional FFT is performed.

**norm**

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see `numpy.fft`). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

**Returns****out**

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axes indicated by `axes`, or the last two axes if `axes` is not given.

**Raises****ValueError**

If `s` and `axes` have different length, or `axes` not given and `len(s) != 2`.

**IndexError**

If an element of `axes` is larger than than the number of axes of `a`.

**See also:****`numpy.fft`**

Overall view of discrete Fourier transforms, with definitions and conventions used.

**`fft2`**

The forward 2-dimensional FFT, of which `ifft2` is the inverse.

**`ifftn`**

The inverse of the  $n$ -dimensional FFT.

**`fft`**

The one-dimensional FFT.

**`ifft`**

The one-dimensional inverse FFT.

## Notes

`ifft2` is just `ifftn` with a different default for `axes`.

See `ifftn` for details and a plotting example, and `numpy.fft` for definition and conventions used.

Zero-padding, analogously with `ifft`, is performed by appending zeros to the input along the specified dimension. Although this is the common approach, it might lead to surprising results. If another form of zero padding is desired, it must be performed before `ifft2` is called.

## Examples

```
>>> a = 4 * np.eye(4)
>>> np.fft.ifft2(a)
array([[1.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j], # may vary
       [0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  1.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  1.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  1.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j]])
```

`fft.fftn`(*a*, *s=None*, *axes=None*, *norm=None*)

Compute the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform.

This function computes the *N*-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform over any number of axes in an *M*-dimensional array by means of the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT).

### Parameters

#### **a**

[array\_like] Input array, can be complex.

#### **s**

[sequence of ints, optional] Shape (length of each transformed axis) of the output (*s* [0] refers to axis 0, *s* [1] to axis 1, etc.). This corresponds to *n* for `fft(x, n)`. Along any axis, if the given shape is smaller than that of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If *s* is not given, the shape of the input along the axes specified by `axes` is used.

#### **axes**

[sequence of ints, optional] Axes over which to compute the FFT. If not given, the last `len(s)` axes are used, or all axes if *s* is also not specified. Repeated indices in `axes` means that the transform over that axis is performed multiple times.

#### **norm**

[{“backward”, “ortho”, “forward”}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see `numpy.fft`). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

### Returns

#### **out**

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axes indicated by `axes`, or by a combination of *s* and *a*, as explained in the parameters section above.

**Raises****ValueError**

If  $s$  and  $axes$  have different length.

**IndexError**

If an element of  $axes$  is larger than than the number of axes of  $a$ .

**See also:****`numpy.fft`**

Overall view of discrete Fourier transforms, with definitions and conventions used.

**`ifftn`**

The inverse of `fft`, the inverse  $n$ -dimensional FFT.

**`fft`**

The one-dimensional FFT, with definitions and conventions used.

**`rfftn`**

The  $n$ -dimensional FFT of real input.

**`fft2`**

The two-dimensional FFT.

**`fftshift`**

Shifts zero-frequency terms to centre of array

**Notes**

The output, analogously to `fft`, contains the term for zero frequency in the low-order corner of all axes, the positive frequency terms in the first half of all axes, the term for the Nyquist frequency in the middle of all axes and the negative frequency terms in the second half of all axes, in order of decreasingly negative frequency.

See `numpy.fft` for details, definitions and conventions used.

**Examples**

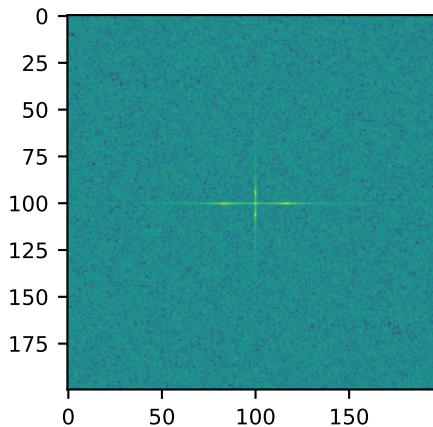
```
>>> a = np.mgrid[:3, :3, :3][0]
>>> np.fft.fftn(a, axes=(1, 2))
array([[[ 0.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j], # may vary
       [ 0.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j],
       [ 0.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j]],
      [[ 9.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j],
       [ 0.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j],
       [ 0.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j]],
      [[18.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j],
       [ 0.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j],
       [ 0.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j]]])
>>> np.fft.fftn(a, (2, 2), axes=(0, 1))
array([[[ 2.+0.j,   2.+0.j,   2.+0.j], # may vary
       [ 0.+0.j,   0.+0.j,   0.+0.j]],
```

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```
[[-2.+0.j, -2.+0.j, -2.+0.j],
 [ 0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j]]])
```

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> [X, Y] = np.meshgrid(2 * np.pi * np.arange(200) / 12,
...                      2 * np.pi * np.arange(200) / 34)
>>> S = np.sin(X) + np.cos(Y) + np.random.uniform(0, 1, X.shape)
>>> FS = np.fft.fftn(S)
>>> plt.imshow(np.log(np.abs(np.fft.fftshift(FS))**2))
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage object at 0x...>
>>> plt.show()
```



### `fft.ifftn(a, s=None, axes=None, norm=None)`

Compute the N-dimensional inverse discrete Fourier Transform.

This function computes the inverse of the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform over any number of axes in an M-dimensional array by means of the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). In other words, `ifftn(fftn(a)) == a` to within numerical accuracy. For a description of the definitions and conventions used, see [numpy.fft](#).

The input, analogously to [`ifft`](#), should be ordered in the same way as is returned by [`fftn`](#), i.e. it should have the term for zero frequency in all axes in the low-order corner, the positive frequency terms in the first half of all axes, the term for the Nyquist frequency in the middle of all axes and the negative frequency terms in the second half of all axes, in order of decreasingly negative frequency.

#### Parameters

##### a

[array\_like] Input array, can be complex.

##### s

[sequence of ints, optional] Shape (length of each transformed axis) of the output (`s[0]` refers to axis 0, `s[1]` to axis 1, etc.). This corresponds to `n` for `ifft(x, n)`. Along any axis, if the given shape is smaller than that of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If `s` is not given, the shape of the input along the axes specified by `axes` is used. See notes for issue on `ifft` zero padding.

**axes**

[sequence of ints, optional] Axes over which to compute the IFFT. If not given, the last `len(s)` axes are used, or all axes if `s` is also not specified. Repeated indices in `axes` means that the inverse transform over that axis is performed multiple times.

**norm**

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see [`numpy.fft`](#)). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

**Returns****out**

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axes indicated by `axes`, or by a combination of `s` or `a`, as explained in the parameters section above.

**Raises****ValueError**

If `s` and `axes` have different length.

**IndexError**

If an element of `axes` is larger than than the number of axes of `a`.

**See also:**[\*\*`numpy.fft`\*\*](#)

Overall view of discrete Fourier transforms, with definitions and conventions used.

[\*\*`fftn`\*\*](#)

The forward  $n$ -dimensional FFT, of which [`ifftn`](#) is the inverse.

[\*\*`ifft`\*\*](#)

The one-dimensional inverse FFT.

[\*\*`ifft2`\*\*](#)

The two-dimensional inverse FFT.

[\*\*`ifftshift`\*\*](#)

Undoes [`fftnshift`](#), shifts zero-frequency terms to beginning of array.

## Notes

See [numpy.fft](#) for definitions and conventions used.

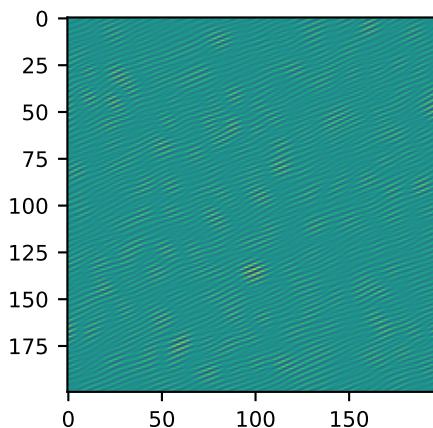
Zero-padding, analogously with [ifft](#), is performed by appending zeros to the input along the specified dimension. Although this is the common approach, it might lead to surprising results. If another form of zero padding is desired, it must be performed before [ifftn](#) is called.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.eye(4)
>>> np.fft.ifftn(np.fft.fftn(a, axes=(0,)), axes=(1,))
array([[1.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j], # may vary
       [0.+0.j,  1.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  1.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  1.+0.j]])
```

Create and plot an image with band-limited frequency content:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> n = np.zeros((200,200), dtype=complex)
>>> n[60:80, 20:40] = np.exp(1j*np.random.uniform(0, 2*np.pi, (20, 20)))
>>> im = np.fft.ifftn(n).real
>>> plt.imshow(im)
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage object at 0x...>
>>> plt.show()
```



## 5.11.2 Real FFTs

<code>rfft(a[, n, axis, norm])</code>	Compute the one-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform for real input.
<code>irfft(a[, n, axis, norm])</code>	Computes the inverse of <code>rfft</code> .
<code>rfft2(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the 2-dimensional FFT of a real array.
<code>irfft2(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Computes the inverse of <code>rfft2</code> .
<code>rfftn(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Compute the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform for real input.
<code>irfftn(a[, s, axes, norm])</code>	Computes the inverse of <code>rfftn</code> .

`fft.rfft(a, n=None, axis=-1, norm=None)`

Compute the one-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform for real input.

This function computes the one-dimensional  $n$ -point discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) of a real-valued array by means of an efficient algorithm called the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT).

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array

#### n

[int, optional] Number of points along transformation axis in the input to use. If  $n$  is smaller than the length of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If  $n$  is not given, the length of the input along the axis specified by `axis` is used.

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which to compute the FFT. If not given, the last axis is used.

#### norm

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see `numpy.fft`). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

### Returns

#### out

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axis indicated by `axis`, or the last one if `axis` is not specified. If  $n$  is even, the length of the transformed axis is  $(n/2)+1$ . If  $n$  is odd, the length is  $(n+1)/2$ .

### Raises

#### IndexError

If `axis` is not a valid axis of `a`.

### See also:

**`numpy.fft`**

For definition of the DFT and conventions used.

**`irfft`**

The inverse of `rfft`.

**`fft`**

The one-dimensional FFT of general (complex) input.

**`fftn`**

The  $n$ -dimensional FFT.

**`rfftn`**

The  $n$ -dimensional FFT of real input.

**Notes**

When the DFT is computed for purely real input, the output is Hermitian-symmetric, i.e. the negative frequency terms are just the complex conjugates of the corresponding positive-frequency terms, and the negative-frequency terms are therefore redundant. This function does not compute the negative frequency terms, and the length of the transformed axis of the output is therefore  $n//2 + 1$ .

When  $A = \text{rfft}(a)$  and  $fs$  is the sampling frequency,  $A[0]$  contains the zero-frequency term  $0*fs$ , which is real due to Hermitian symmetry.

If  $n$  is even,  $A[-1]$  contains the term representing both positive and negative Nyquist frequency ( $+fs/2$  and  $-fs/2$ ), and must also be purely real. If  $n$  is odd, there is no term at  $fs/2$ ;  $A[-1]$  contains the largest positive frequency ( $fs/2*(n-1)/n$ ), and is complex in the general case.

If the input  $a$  contains an imaginary part, it is silently discarded.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.fft.fft([0, 1, 0, 0])
array([ 1.+0.j,  0.-1.j, -1.+0.j,  0.+1.j]) # may vary
>>> np.fft.rfft([0, 1, 0, 0])
array([ 1.+0.j,  0.-1.j, -1.+0.j]) # may vary
```

Notice how the final element of the `fft` output is the complex conjugate of the second element, for real input. For `rfft`, this symmetry is exploited to compute only the non-negative frequency terms.

`fft.irfft(a, n=None, axis=-1, norm=None)`

Computes the inverse of `rfft`.

This function computes the inverse of the one-dimensional  $n$ -point discrete Fourier Transform of real input computed by `rfft`. In other words, `irfft(rfft(a), len(a)) == a` to within numerical accuracy. (See Notes below for why `len(a)` is necessary here.)

The input is expected to be in the form returned by `rfft`, i.e. the real zero-frequency term followed by the complex positive frequency terms in order of increasing frequency. Since the discrete Fourier Transform of real input is Hermitian-symmetric, the negative frequency terms are taken to be the complex conjugates of the corresponding positive frequency terms.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like] The input array.

**n**

[int, optional] Length of the transformed axis of the output. For  $n$  output points,  $n//2+1$  input points are necessary. If the input is longer than this, it is cropped. If it is shorter than this, it is padded with zeros. If  $n$  is not given, it is taken to be  $2 * (\text{m}-1)$  where  $\text{m}$  is the length of the input along the axis specified by *axis*.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which to compute the inverse FFT. If not given, the last axis is used.

**norm**

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see [numpy.fft](#)). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axis indicated by *axis*, or the last one if *axis* is not specified. The length of the transformed axis is  $n$ , or, if  $n$  is not given,  $2 * (\text{m}-1)$  where  $\text{m}$  is the length of the transformed axis of the input. To get an odd number of output points,  $n$  must be specified.

**Raises****IndexError**

If *axis* is not a valid axis of *a*.

**See also:****[numpy.fft](#)**

For definition of the DFT and conventions used.

**[rfft](#)**

The one-dimensional FFT of real input, of which [irfft](#) is inverse.

**[fft](#)**

The one-dimensional FFT.

**[irfft2](#)**

The inverse of the two-dimensional FFT of real input.

**[irfftn](#)**

The inverse of the  $n$ -dimensional FFT of real input.

## Notes

Returns the real valued  $n$ -point inverse discrete Fourier transform of  $a$ , where  $a$  contains the non-negative frequency terms of a Hermitian-symmetric sequence.  $n$  is the length of the result, not the input.

If you specify an  $n$  such that  $a$  must be zero-padded or truncated, the extra/removed values will be added/removed at high frequencies. One can thus resample a series to  $m$  points via Fourier interpolation by:  $a\_resamp = \text{irfft}(\text{rfft}(a), m)$ .

The correct interpretation of the hermitian input depends on the length of the original data, as given by  $n$ . This is because each input shape could correspond to either an odd or even length signal. By default, `irfft` assumes an even output length which puts the last entry at the Nyquist frequency; aliasing with its symmetric counterpart. By Hermitian symmetry, the value is thus treated as purely real. To avoid losing information, the correct length of the real input **must** be given.

## Examples

```
>>> np.fft.ifft([1, -1j, -1, 1j])
array([0.+0.j, 1.+0.j, 0.+0.j, 0.+0.j]) # may vary
>>> np.fft.irfft([1, -1j, -1])
array([0., 1., 0., 0.])
```

Notice how the last term in the input to the ordinary `ifft` is the complex conjugate of the second term, and the output has zero imaginary part everywhere. When calling `irfft`, the negative frequencies are not specified, and the output array is purely real.

`fft.rfft2(a, s=None, axes=(-2, -1), norm=None)`

Compute the 2-dimensional FFT of a real array.

### Parameters

#### a

[array] Input array, taken to be real.

#### s

[sequence of ints, optional] Shape of the FFT.

#### axes

[sequence of ints, optional] Axes over which to compute the FFT.

#### norm

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see `numpy.fft`). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] The result of the real 2-D FFT.

### See also:

**rfftn**

Compute the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform for real input.

**Notes**

This is really just `rfftn` with different default behavior. For more details see `rfftn`.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.mgrid[:5, :5][0]
>>> np.fft.rfft2(a)
array([[ 50. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j],
       [-12.5+17.20477401j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j],
       [-12.5 +4.0614962j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j],
       [-12.5 -4.0614962j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j],
       [-12.5-17.20477401j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j,  0. +0.j]])
```

`fft.irfft2(a, s=None, axes=(-2, -1), norm=None)`

Computes the inverse of `rfft2`.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] The input array

**s**

[sequence of ints, optional] Shape of the real output to the inverse FFT.

**axes**

[sequence of ints, optional] The axes over which to compute the inverse fft. Default is the last two axes.

**norm**

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see `numpy.fft`). Default is "backward". Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The "backward", "forward" values were added.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The result of the inverse real 2-D FFT.

**See also:****rfft2**

The forward two-dimensional FFT of real input, of which `irfft2` is the inverse.

**rfft**

The one-dimensional FFT for real input.

**`irfft`**

The inverse of the one-dimensional FFT of real input.

**`irfftn`**

Compute the inverse of the N-dimensional FFT of real input.

**Notes**

This is really `irfftn` with different defaults. For more details see `irfftn`.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.mgrid[:5, :5][0]
>>> A = np.fft.rfft2(a)
>>> np.fft.irfft2(A, s=a.shape)
array([[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [1., 1., 1., 1., 1.],
       [2., 2., 2., 2., 2.],
       [3., 3., 3., 3., 3.],
       [4., 4., 4., 4., 4.]])
```

`fft.rfftn`(*a*, *s=None*, *axes=None*, *norm=None*)

Compute the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform for real input.

This function computes the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform over any number of axes in an M-dimensional real array by means of the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). By default, all axes are transformed, with the real transform performed over the last axis, while the remaining transforms are complex.

**Parameters****`a`**

[array\_like] Input array, taken to be real.

**`s`**

[sequence of ints, optional] Shape (length along each transformed axis) to use from the input. (*s[0]* refers to axis 0, *s[1]* to axis 1, etc.). The final element of *s* corresponds to *n* for `rfft(x, n)`, while for the remaining axes, it corresponds to *n* for `fft(x, n)`. Along any axis, if the given shape is smaller than that of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If *s* is not given, the shape of the input along the axes specified by *axes* is used.

**`axes`**

[sequence of ints, optional] Axes over which to compute the FFT. If not given, the last `len(s)` axes are used, or all axes if *s* is also not specified.

**`norm`**

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see `numpy.fft`). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

**Returns**

**out**

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axes indicated by *axes*, or by a combination of *s* and *a*, as explained in the parameters section above. The length of the last axis transformed will be  $s[-1] // 2 + 1$ , while the remaining transformed axes will have lengths according to *s*, or unchanged from the input.

**Raises****ValueError**

If *s* and *axes* have different length.

**IndexError**

If an element of *axes* is larger than than the number of axes of *a*.

**See also:****[irfftn](#)**

The inverse of [\*rfftn\*](#), i.e. the inverse of the n-dimensional FFT of real input.

**[fft](#)**

The one-dimensional FFT, with definitions and conventions used.

**[rfft](#)**

The one-dimensional FFT of real input.

**[fftn](#)**

The n-dimensional FFT.

**[rfft2](#)**

The two-dimensional FFT of real input.

**Notes**

The transform for real input is performed over the last transformation axis, as by [\*rfft\*](#), then the transform over the remaining axes is performed as by [\*fftn\*](#). The order of the output is as for [\*rfft\*](#) for the final transformation axis, and as for [\*fftn\*](#) for the remaining transformation axes.

See [\*fft\*](#) for details, definitions and conventions used.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.ones((2, 2, 2))
>>> np.fft.rfftn(a)
array([[[8.+0.j,  0.+0.j], # may vary
       [0.+0.j,  0.+0.j]],
       [[0.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
       [0.+0.j,  0.+0.j]]])
```

```
>>> np.fft.rfftn(a, axes=(2, 0))
array([[ [4.+0.j,  0.+0.j], # may vary
          [4.+0.j,  0.+0.j]],
         [[0.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
          [0.+0.j,  0.+0.j]]])
```

**fft.irfftn(a, s=None, axes=None, norm=None)**

Computes the inverse of [rfftn](#).

This function computes the inverse of the N-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform for real input over any number of axes in an M-dimensional array by means of the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). In other words, `irfftn(rfftn(a), a.shape) == a` to within numerical accuracy. (The `a.shape` is necessary like `len(a)` is for [irfft](#), and for the same reason.)

The input should be ordered in the same way as is returned by [rfftn](#), i.e. as for [irfft](#) for the final transformation axis, and as for [irfft](#) along all the other axes.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**s**

[sequence of ints, optional] Shape (length of each transformed axis) of the output (`s[0]` refers to axis 0, `s[1]` to axis 1, etc.). `s` is also the number of input points used along this axis, except for the last axis, where `s[-1]//2+1` points of the input are used. Along any axis, if the shape indicated by `s` is smaller than that of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If `s` is not given, the shape of the input along the axes specified by `axes` is used. Except for the last axis which is taken to be  $2^*(m-1)$  where  $m$  is the length of the input along that axis.

**axes**

[sequence of ints, optional] Axes over which to compute the inverse FFT. If not given, the last `len(s)` axes are used, or all axes if `s` is also not specified. Repeated indices in `axes` means that the inverse transform over that axis is performed multiple times.

**norm**

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see [numpy.fft](#)). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axes indicated by `axes`, or by a combination of `s` or `a`, as explained in the parameters section above. The length of each transformed axis is as given by the corresponding element of `s`, or the length of the input in every axis except for the last one if `s` is not given. In the final transformed axis the length of the output when `s` is not given is  $2^*(m-1)$  where  $m$  is the length of the final transformed axis of the input. To get an odd number of output points in the final axis, `s` must be specified.

**Raises**

**ValueError**

If  $s$  and  $axes$  have different length.

**IndexError**

If an element of  $axes$  is larger than than the number of axes of  $a$ .

**See also:**

[`rfftn`](#)

The forward n-dimensional FFT of real input, of which [`ifftn`](#) is the inverse.

[`fft`](#)

The one-dimensional FFT, with definitions and conventions used.

[`irfft`](#)

The inverse of the one-dimensional FFT of real input.

[`irfft2`](#)

The inverse of the two-dimensional FFT of real input.

## Notes

See [`fft`](#) for definitions and conventions used.

See [`rfft`](#) for definitions and conventions used for real input.

The correct interpretation of the hermitian input depends on the shape of the original data, as given by  $s$ . This is because each input shape could correspond to either an odd or even length signal. By default, [`irfftn`](#) assumes an even output length which puts the last entry at the Nyquist frequency; aliasing with its symmetric counterpart. When performing the final complex to real transform, the last value is thus treated as purely real. To avoid losing information, the correct shape of the real input **must** be given.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.zeros((3, 2, 2))
>>> a[0, 0, 0] = 3 * 2 * 2
>>> np.fft.irfftn(a)
array([[[1.,  1.],
       [1.,  1.]],
      [[1.,  1.],
       [1.,  1.]],
      [[1.,  1.],
       [1.,  1.]]])
```

### 5.11.3 Hermitian FFTs

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<code>hfft(a[, n, axis, norm])</code>	Compute the FFT of a signal that has Hermitian symmetry, i.e., a real spectrum.
<code>ihfft(a[, n, axis, norm])</code>	Compute the inverse FFT of a signal that has Hermitian symmetry.

---

`fft.hfft (a, n=None, axis=-1, norm=None)`

Compute the FFT of a signal that has Hermitian symmetry, i.e., a real spectrum.

#### Parameters

##### a

[array\_like] The input array.

##### n

[int, optional] Length of the transformed axis of the output. For  $n$  output points,  $n//2 + 1$  input points are necessary. If the input is longer than this, it is cropped. If it is shorter than this, it is padded with zeros. If  $n$  is not given, it is taken to be  $2^{\lceil \log_2(m) \rceil}$  where  $m$  is the length of the input along the axis specified by `axis`.

##### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which to compute the FFT. If not given, the last axis is used.

##### norm

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see `numpy.fft`). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

#### Returns

##### out

[ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axis indicated by `axis`, or the last one if `axis` is not specified. The length of the transformed axis is  $n$ , or, if  $n$  is not given,  $2^{\lceil \log_2(m) \rceil} - 1$  where  $m$  is the length of the transformed axis of the input. To get an odd number of output points,  $n$  must be specified, for instance as  $2^{\lceil \log_2(m) \rceil} - 1$  in the typical case,

#### Raises

##### IndexError

If `axis` is not a valid axis of `a`.

#### See also:

##### `rfft`

Compute the one-dimensional FFT for real input.

##### `ihfft`

The inverse of `hfft`.

## Notes

`hfft/ihfft` are a pair analogous to `rfft/irfft`, but for the opposite case: here the signal has Hermitian symmetry in the time domain and is real in the frequency domain. So here it's `hfft` for which you must supply the length of the result if it is to be odd.

- even: `ihfft(hfft(a, 2*len(a) - 2)) == a`, within roundoff error,
- odd: `ihfft(hfft(a, 2*len(a) - 1)) == a`, within roundoff error.

The correct interpretation of the hermitian input depends on the length of the original data, as given by `n`. This is because each input shape could correspond to either an odd or even length signal. By default, `hfft` assumes an even output length which puts the last entry at the Nyquist frequency; aliasing with its symmetric counterpart. By Hermitian symmetry, the value is thus treated as purely real. To avoid losing information, the shape of the full signal **must** be given.

## Examples

```
>>> signal = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2])
>>> np.fft.fft(signal)
array([15.+0.j, -4.+0.j,  0.+0.j, -1.-0.j,  0.+0.j, -4.+0.j]) # may vary
>>> np.fft.hfft(signal[:4]) # Input first half of signal
array([15., -4.,  0., -1.,  0., -4.])
>>> np.fft.hfft(signal, 6) # Input entire signal and truncate
array([15., -4.,  0., -1.,  0., -4.])
```

```
>>> signal = np.array([[1, 1.j], [-1.j, 2]])
>>> np.conj(signal.T) - signal # check Hermitian symmetry
array([[ 0.-0.j, -0.+0.j], # may vary
       [ 0.+0.j,  0.-0.j]])
>>> freq_spectrum = np.fft.hfft(signal)
>>> freq_spectrum
array([[ 1.,  1.],
       [ 2., -2.]])
```

`fft.ihfft(a, n=None, axis=-1, norm=None)`

Compute the inverse FFT of a signal that has Hermitian symmetry.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array.

#### n

[int, optional] Length of the inverse FFT, the number of points along transformation axis in the input to use. If `n` is smaller than the length of the input, the input is cropped. If it is larger, the input is padded with zeros. If `n` is not given, the length of the input along the axis specified by `axis` is used.

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which to compute the inverse FFT. If not given, the last axis is used.

#### norm

[{"backward", "ortho", "forward"}, optional] New in version 1.10.0.

Normalization mode (see `numpy.fft`). Default is “backward”. Indicates which direction of the forward/backward pair of transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor.

New in version 1.20.0: The “backward”, “forward” values were added.

## Returns

### `out`

[complex ndarray] The truncated or zero-padded input, transformed along the axis indicated by `axis`, or the last one if `axis` is not specified. The length of the transformed axis is `n//2 + 1`.

See also:

`hfft, irfft`

## Notes

`hfft/ihfft` are a pair analogous to `rfft/irfft`, but for the opposite case: here the signal has Hermitian symmetry in the time domain and is real in the frequency domain. So here it's `hfft` for which you must supply the length of the result if it is to be odd:

- even: `ihfft(hfft(a, 2*len(a) - 2)) == a`, within roundoff error,
- odd: `ihfft(hfft(a, 2*len(a) - 1)) == a`, within roundoff error.

## Examples

```
>>> spectrum = np.array([ 15, -4, 0, -1, 0, -4])
>>> np.fft.ifft(spectrum)
array([1.+0.j, 2.+0.j, 3.+0.j, 4.+0.j, 3.+0.j, 2.+0.j]) # may vary
>>> np.fft.ihfft(spectrum)
array([-1.-0.j, -2.-0.j, -3.-0.j, -4.-0.j]) # may vary
```

## 5.11.4 Helper routines

<code>fftfreq(n[, d])</code>	Return the Discrete Fourier Transform sample frequencies.
<code>rfftfreq(n[, d])</code>	Return the Discrete Fourier Transform sample frequencies (for usage with rfft, irfft).
<code>fftshift(x[, axes])</code>	Shift the zero-frequency component to the center of the spectrum.
<code>ifftshift(x[, axes])</code>	The inverse of <code>fftshift</code> .

`fft.freq(n, d=1.0)`

Return the Discrete Fourier Transform sample frequencies.

The returned float array `f` contains the frequency bin centers in cycles per unit of the sample spacing (with zero at the start). For instance, if the sample spacing is in seconds, then the frequency unit is cycles/second.

Given a window length `n` and a sample spacing `d`:

$f = [0, 1, \dots, n/2-1, -n/2, \dots, -1] / (d*n)$	<b>if</b> n <b>is</b> even
$f = [0, 1, \dots, (n-1)/2, -(n-1)/2, \dots, -1] / (d*n)$	<b>if</b> n <b>is</b> odd

**Parameters****n**

[int] Window length.

**d**

[scalar, optional] Sample spacing (inverse of the sampling rate). Defaults to 1.

**Returns****f**[ndarray] Array of length *n* containing the sample frequencies.**Examples**

```
>>> signal = np.array([-2, 8, 6, 4, 1, 0, 3, 5], dtype=float)
>>> fourier = np.fft.fft(signal)
>>> n = signal.size
>>> timestep = 0.1
>>> freq = np.fft.rfftfreq(n, d=timestep)
>>> freq
array([ 0.,  1.25,  2.5 , ..., -3.75, -2.5 , -1.25])
```

**fft.rfftfreq(*n*, *d*=1.0)**

Return the Discrete Fourier Transform sample frequencies (for usage with rfft, irfft).

The returned float array *f* contains the frequency bin centers in cycles per unit of the sample spacing (with zero at the start). For instance, if the sample spacing is in seconds, then the frequency unit is cycles/second.Given a window length *n* and a sample spacing *d*:

$f = [0, 1, \dots, n/2-1, n/2] / (d*n)$	<b>if</b> n <b>is</b> even
$f = [0, 1, \dots, (n-1)/2-1, (n-1)/2] / (d*n)$	<b>if</b> n <b>is</b> odd

Unlike *rfftfreq* (but like *scipy.fftpack.rfftfreq*) the Nyquist frequency component is considered to be positive.**Parameters****n**

[int] Window length.

**d**

[scalar, optional] Sample spacing (inverse of the sampling rate). Defaults to 1.

**Returns****f**[ndarray] Array of length *n* // 2 + 1 containing the sample frequencies.

## Examples

```
>>> signal = np.array([-2, 8, 6, 4, 1, 0, 3, 5, -3, 4], dtype=float)
>>> fourier = np.fft.rfft(signal)
>>> n = signal.size
>>> sample_rate = 100
>>> freq = np.fft.fftfreq(n, d=1./sample_rate)
>>> freq
array([ 0.,  10.,  20., ..., -30., -20., -10.])
>>> freq = np.fft.rfftfreq(n, d=1./sample_rate)
>>> freq
array([ 0.,  10.,  20.,  30.,  40.,  50.])
```

### `fft.fftshift`(*x*, *axes=None*)

Shift the zero-frequency component to the center of the spectrum.

This function swaps half-spaces for all axes listed (defaults to all). Note that *y*[0] is the Nyquist component only if *len(x)* is even.

#### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axes**

[int or shape tuple, optional] Axes over which to shift. Default is None, which shifts all axes.

#### Returns

**y**

[ndarray] The shifted array.

#### See also:

### `ifftshift`

The inverse of `fftshift`.

## Examples

```
>>> freqs = np.fft.fftfreq(10, 0.1)
>>> freqs
array([ 0.,  1.,  2., ..., -3., -2., -1.])
>>> np.fft.fftshift(freqs)
array([-5., -4., -3., -2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.,  3.,  4.])
```

Shift the zero-frequency component only along the second axis:

```
>>> freqs = np.fft.fftfreq(9, d=1./9).reshape(3, 3)
>>> freqs
array([[ 0.,  1.,  2.],
       [ 3.,  4., -4.],
       [-3., -2., -1.]])
>>> np.fft.fftshift(freqs, axes=(1,))
```

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```
array([[ 2.,  0.,  1.],
       [-4.,  3.,  4.],
       [-1., -3., -2.]])
```

**fft.ifftshift**(*x*, *axes=None*)

The inverse of [fftshift](#). Although identical for even-length *x*, the functions differ by one sample for odd-length *x*.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axes**

[int or shape tuple, optional] Axes over which to calculate. Defaults to None, which shifts all axes.

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] The shifted array.

**See also:****fftshift**

Shift zero-frequency component to the center of the spectrum.

**Examples**

```
>>> freqs = np.fft.fftfreq(9, d=1./9).reshape(3, 3)
>>> freqs
array([[ 0.,  1.,  2.],
       [ 3.,  4., -4.],
       [-3., -2., -1.]])
>>> np.fft.ifftshift(np.fft.fftshift(freqs))
array([[ 0.,  1.,  2.],
       [ 3.,  4., -4.],
       [-3., -2., -1.]])
```

## 5.11.5 Background information

Fourier analysis is fundamentally a method for expressing a function as a sum of periodic components, and for recovering the function from those components. When both the function and its Fourier transform are replaced with discretized counterparts, it is called the discrete Fourier transform (DFT). The DFT has become a mainstay of numerical computing in part because of a very fast algorithm for computing it, called the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT), which was known to Gauss (1805) and was brought to light in its current form by Cooley and Tukey [[CT](#)]. Press et al. [[NR](#)] provide an accessible introduction to Fourier analysis and its applications.

Because the discrete Fourier transform separates its input into components that contribute at discrete frequencies, it has a great number of applications in digital signal processing, e.g., for filtering, and in this context the discretized input to

the transform is customarily referred to as a *signal*, which exists in the *time domain*. The output is called a *spectrum* or *transform* and exists in the *frequency domain*.

### 5.11.6 Implementation details

There are many ways to define the DFT, varying in the sign of the exponent, normalization, etc. In this implementation, the DFT is defined as

$$A_k = \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} a_m \exp \left\{ -2\pi i \frac{mk}{n} \right\} \quad k = 0, \dots, n-1.$$

The DFT is in general defined for complex inputs and outputs, and a single-frequency component at linear frequency  $f$  is represented by a complex exponential  $a_m = \exp\{2\pi i fm\Delta t\}$ , where  $\Delta t$  is the sampling interval.

The values in the result follow so-called “standard” order: If  $A = \text{fft}(a, n)$ , then  $A[0]$  contains the zero-frequency term (the sum of the signal), which is always purely real for real inputs. Then  $A[1:n/2]$  contains the positive-frequency terms, and  $A[n/2+1:]$  contains the negative-frequency terms, in order of decreasingly negative frequency. For an even number of input points,  $A[n/2]$  represents both positive and negative Nyquist frequency, and is also purely real for real input. For an odd number of input points,  $A[(n-1)/2]$  contains the largest positive frequency, while  $A[(n+1)/2]$  contains the largest negative frequency. The routine `np.fft.freq(n)` returns an array giving the frequencies of corresponding elements in the output. The routine `np.fft.fftshift(A)` shifts transforms and their frequencies to put the zero-frequency components in the middle, and `np.fft.ifftshift(A)` undoes that shift.

When the input  $a$  is a time-domain signal and  $A = \text{fft}(a)$ , `np.abs(A)` is its amplitude spectrum and `np.abs(A)**2` is its power spectrum. The phase spectrum is obtained by `np.angle(A)`.

The inverse DFT is defined as

$$a_m = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_k \exp \left\{ 2\pi i \frac{mk}{n} \right\} \quad m = 0, \dots, n-1.$$

It differs from the forward transform by the sign of the exponential argument and the default normalization by  $1/n$ .

### 5.11.7 Type Promotion

`numpy.fft` promotes `float32` and `complex64` arrays to `float64` and `complex128` arrays respectively. For an FFT implementation that does not promote input arrays, see `scipy.fftpack`.

### 5.11.8 Normalization

The argument `norm` indicates which direction of the pair of direct/inverse transforms is scaled and with what normalization factor. The default normalization (“backward”) has the direct (forward) transforms unscaled and the inverse (backward) transforms scaled by  $1/n$ . It is possible to obtain unitary transforms by setting the keyword argument `norm` to “ortho” so that both direct and inverse transforms are scaled by  $1/\sqrt{n}$ . Finally, setting the keyword argument `norm` to “forward” has the direct transforms scaled by  $1/n$  and the inverse transforms unscaled (i.e. exactly opposite to the default “backward”). `None` is an alias of the default option “backward” for backward compatibility.

## 5.11.9 Real and Hermitian transforms

When the input is purely real, its transform is Hermitian, i.e., the component at frequency  $f_k$  is the complex conjugate of the component at frequency  $-f_k$ , which means that for real inputs there is no information in the negative frequency components that is not already available from the positive frequency components. The family of `rfft` functions is designed to operate on real inputs, and exploits this symmetry by computing only the positive frequency components, up to and including the Nyquist frequency. Thus,  $n$  input points produce  $n/2+1$  complex output points. The inverses of this family assumes the same symmetry of its input, and for an output of  $n$  points uses  $n/2+1$  input points.

Correspondingly, when the spectrum is purely real, the signal is Hermitian. The `hfft` family of functions exploits this symmetry by using  $n/2+1$  complex points in the input (time) domain for  $n$  real points in the frequency domain.

In higher dimensions, FFTs are used, e.g., for image analysis and filtering. The computational efficiency of the FFT means that it can also be a faster way to compute large convolutions, using the property that a convolution in the time domain is equivalent to a point-by-point multiplication in the frequency domain.

## 5.11.10 Higher dimensions

In two dimensions, the DFT is defined as

$$A_{kl} = \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a_{mn} \exp \left\{ -2\pi i \left( \frac{mk}{M} + \frac{nl}{N} \right) \right\} \quad k = 0, \dots, M-1; \quad l = 0, \dots, N-1,$$

which extends in the obvious way to higher dimensions, and the inverses in higher dimensions also extend in the same way.

## 5.11.11 References

## 5.11.12 Examples

For examples, see the various functions.

## 5.12 Functional programming

<code>apply_along_axis(func1d, axis, arr, *args, ...)</code>	Apply a function to 1-D slices along the given axis.
<code>apply_over_axes(func, a, axes)</code>	Apply a function repeatedly over multiple axes.
<code>vectorize(pyfunc[, otypes, doc, excluded, ...])</code>	Generalized function class.
<code>frompyfunc(func, /, nin, nout, *[, identity])</code>	Takes an arbitrary Python function and returns a NumPy ufunc.
<code>piecewise(x, condlist, funclist, *args, **kw)</code>	Evaluate a piecewise-defined function.

`numpy.apply_along_axis(func1d, axis, arr, *args, **kwargs)`

Apply a function to 1-D slices along the given axis.

Execute `func1d(a, *args, **kwargs)` where `func1d` operates on 1-D arrays and `a` is a 1-D slice of `arr` along `axis`.

This is equivalent to (but faster than) the following use of `ndindex` and `s_`, which sets each of `ii`, `jj`, and `kk` to a tuple of indices:

```
Ni, Nk = a.shape[:axis], a.shape[axis+1:]
for ii in ndindex(Ni):
    for kk in ndindex(Nk):
        f = func1d(arr[ii + s_[:,] + kk])
        Nj = f.shape
        for jj in ndindex(Nj):
            out[ii + jj + kk] = f[jj]
```

Equivalently, eliminating the inner loop, this can be expressed as:

```
Ni, Nk = a.shape[:axis], a.shape[axis+1:]
for ii in ndindex(Ni):
    for kk in ndindex(Nk):
        out[ii + s_[:,] + kk] = func1d(arr[ii + s_[:,] + kk])
```

## Parameters

### `func1d`

[function ( $M,$ ) -> ( $Nj\dots$ )] This function should accept 1-D arrays. It is applied to 1-D slices of *arr* along the specified axis.

### `axis`

[integer] Axis along which *arr* is sliced.

### `arr`

[ndarray ( $Ni\dots, M, Nk\dots$ )] Input array.

### `args`

[any] Additional arguments to *func1d*.

### `kwargs`

[any] Additional named arguments to *func1d*.

New in version 1.9.0.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray ( $Ni\dots, Nj\dots, Nk\dots$ )] The output array. The shape of *out* is identical to the shape of *arr*, except along the *axis* dimension. This axis is removed, and replaced with new dimensions equal to the shape of the return value of *func1d*. So if *func1d* returns a scalar *out* will have one fewer dimensions than *arr*.

## See also:

### `apply_over_axes`

Apply a function repeatedly over multiple axes.

## Examples

```
>>> def my_func(a):
...     """Average first and last element of a 1-D array"""
...     return (a[0] + a[-1]) * 0.5
>>> b = np.array([[1,2,3], [4,5,6], [7,8,9]])
>>> np.apply_along_axis(my_func, 0, b)
array([4., 5., 6.])
>>> np.apply_along_axis(my_func, 1, b)
array([2., 5., 8.])
```

For a function that returns a 1D array, the number of dimensions in *outarr* is the same as *arr*.

```
>>> b = np.array([[8,1,7], [4,3,9], [5,2,6]])
>>> np.apply_along_axis(sorted, 1, b)
array([[1, 7, 8],
       [3, 4, 9],
       [2, 5, 6]])
```

For a function that returns a higher dimensional array, those dimensions are inserted in place of the *axis* dimension.

```
>>> b = np.array([[1,2,3], [4,5,6], [7,8,9]])
>>> np.apply_along_axis(np.diag, -1, b)
array([[[1, 0, 0],
       [0, 2, 0],
       [0, 0, 3]],
      [[4, 0, 0],
       [0, 5, 0],
       [0, 0, 6]],
      [[7, 0, 0],
       [0, 8, 0],
       [0, 0, 9]]])
```

## numpy.`apply_over_axes`(*func*, *a*, *axes*)

Apply a function repeatedly over multiple axes.

*func* is called as *res* = *func*(*a*, *axis*), where *axis* is the first element of *axes*. The result *res* of the function call must have either the same dimensions as *a* or one less dimension. If *res* has one less dimension than *a*, a dimension is inserted before *axis*. The call to *func* is then repeated for each axis in *axes*, with *res* as the first argument.

### Parameters

#### **func**

[function] This function must take two arguments, *func*(*a*, *axis*).

#### **a**

[array\_like] Input array.

#### **axes**

[array\_like] Axes over which *func* is applied; the elements must be integers.

### Returns

#### **apply\_over\_axis**

[ndarray] The output array. The number of dimensions is the same as *a*, but the shape can be different. This depends on whether *func* changes the shape of its output with respect to its input.

**See also:**

[\*apply\\_along\\_axis\*](#)

Apply a function to 1-D slices of an array along the given axis.

## Notes

This function is equivalent to tuple axis arguments to reorderable ufuncs with `keepdims=True`. Tuple axis arguments to ufuncs have been available since version 1.7.0.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(24).reshape(2,3,4)
>>> a
array([[[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]],
      [[12, 13, 14, 15],
       [16, 17, 18, 19],
       [20, 21, 22, 23]])
```

Sum over axes 0 and 2. The result has same number of dimensions as the original array:

```
>>> np.apply_over_axes(np.sum, a, [0,2])
array([[ 60],
       [ 92],
       [124]])
```

Tuple axis arguments to ufuncs are equivalent:

```
>>> np.sum(a, axis=(0,2), keepdims=True)
array([[ 60],
       [ 92],
       [124]])
```

**class** `numpy.vectorize`(*pyfunc*, *otypes=None*, *doc=None*, *excluded=None*, *cache=False*, *signature=None*)

Generalized function class.

Define a vectorized function which takes a nested sequence of objects or numpy arrays as inputs and returns a single numpy array or a tuple of numpy arrays. The vectorized function evaluates *pyfunc* over successive tuples of the input arrays like the python map function, except it uses the broadcasting rules of numpy.

The data type of the output of *vectorized* is determined by calling the function with the first element of the input. This can be avoided by specifying the *otypes* argument.

### Parameters

#### `pyfunc`

[callable] A python function or method.

**otypes**

[str or list of dtypes, optional] The output data type. It must be specified as either a string of typecode characters or a list of data type specifiers. There should be one data type specifier for each output.

**doc**

[str, optional] The docstring for the function. If None, the docstring will be the `pyfunc.__doc__`.

**excluded**

[set, optional] Set of strings or integers representing the positional or keyword arguments for which the function will not be vectorized. These will be passed directly to `pyfunc` unmodified.

New in version 1.7.0.

**cache**

[bool, optional] If *True*, then cache the first function call that determines the number of outputs if `otypes` is not provided.

New in version 1.7.0.

**signature**

[string, optional] Generalized universal function signature, e.g., `(m, n), (n) -> (m)` for vectorized matrix-vector multiplication. If provided, `pyfunc` will be called with (and expected to return) arrays with shapes given by the size of corresponding core dimensions. By default, `pyfunc` is assumed to take scalars as input and output.

New in version 1.12.0.

**Returns****vectorized**

[callable] Vectorized function.

**See also:****`frompyfunc`**

Takes an arbitrary Python function and returns a ufunc

**Notes**

The `vectorize` function is provided primarily for convenience, not for performance. The implementation is essentially a for loop.

If `otypes` is not specified, then a call to the function with the first argument will be used to determine the number of outputs. The results of this call will be cached if `cache` is *True* to prevent calling the function twice. However, to implement the cache, the original function must be wrapped which will slow down subsequent calls, so only do this if your function is expensive.

The new keyword argument interface and `excluded` argument support further degrades performance.

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> def myfunc(a, b):
...     "Return a-b if a>b, otherwise return a+b"
...     if a > b:
...         return a - b
...     else:
...         return a + b
```

```
>>> vfunc = np.vectorize(myfunc)
>>> vfunc([1, 2, 3, 4], 2)
array([3, 4, 1, 2])
```

The docstring is taken from the input function to `vectorize` unless it is specified:

```
>>> vfunc.__doc__
'Return a-b if a>b, otherwise return a+b'
>>> vfunc = np.vectorize(myfunc, doc='Vectorized `myfunc`')
>>> vfunc.__doc__
'Vectorized `myfunc`'
```

The output type is determined by evaluating the first element of the input, unless it is specified:

```
>>> out = vfunc([1, 2, 3, 4], 2)
>>> type(out[0])
<class 'numpy.int64'>
>>> vfunc = np.vectorize(myfunc, otypes=[float])
>>> out = vfunc([1, 2, 3, 4], 2)
>>> type(out[0])
<class 'numpy.float64'>
```

The `excluded` argument can be used to prevent vectorizing over certain arguments. This can be useful for array-like arguments of a fixed length such as the coefficients for a polynomial as in `polyval`:

```
>>> def mypolyval(p, x):
...     _p = list(p)
...     res = _p.pop(0)
...     while _p:
...         res = res*x + _p.pop(0)
...     return res
>>> vpolyval = np.vectorize(mypolyval, excluded=['p'])
>>> vpolyval(p=[1, 2, 3], x=[0, 1])
array([3, 6])
```

Positional arguments may also be excluded by specifying their position:

```
>>> vpolyval.excluded.add(0)
>>> vpolyval([1, 2, 3], x=[0, 1])
array([3, 6])
```

The `signature` argument allows for vectorizing functions that act on non-scalar arrays of fixed length. For example, you can use it for a vectorized calculation of Pearson correlation coefficient and its p-value:

```
>>> import scipy.stats
>>> pearsonr = np.vectorize(scipy.stats.pearsonr,
...                         signature='(n),(n)->(),()')
>>> pearsonr([[0, 1, 2, 3]], [[1, 2, 3, 4], [4, 3, 2, 1]])
(array([-1.]), array([0.]))
```

Or for a vectorized convolution:

```
>>> convolve = np.vectorize(np.convolve, signature='(n),(m)->(k)')
>>> convolve(np.eye(4), [1, 2, 1])
array([[1., 2., 1., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 1., 2., 1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 1., 2., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 1., 2., 1.]])
```

## Methods

### `__call__(*args, **kwargs)`

Return arrays with the results of *pyfunc* broadcast (vectorized) over *args* and *kwargs* not in *excluded*.

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### `vectorize.__call__(*args, **kwargs)`

Return arrays with the results of *pyfunc* broadcast (vectorized) over *args* and *kwargs* not in *excluded*.

### `numpy.frompyfunc(func, /, nin, nout, *[, identity])`

Takes an arbitrary Python function and returns a NumPy ufunc.

Can be used, for example, to add broadcasting to a built-in Python function (see Examples section).

## Parameters

### `func`

[Python function object] An arbitrary Python function.

### `nin`

[int] The number of input arguments.

### `nout`

[int] The number of objects returned by *func*.

### `identity`

[object, optional] The value to use for the *identity* attribute of the resulting object. If specified, this is equivalent to setting the underlying C *identity* field to *PyUFunc\_IdentityValue*. If omitted, the identity is set to *PyUFunc\_None*. Note that this is *\_not\_* equivalent to setting the identity to *None*, which implies the operation is reorderable.

## Returns

### `out`

[ufunc] Returns a NumPy universal function (*ufunc*) object.

**See also:****`vectorize`**

Evaluates `pyfunc` over input arrays using broadcasting rules of numpy.

**Notes**

The returned ufunc always returns PyObject arrays.

**Examples**

Use `frompyfunc` to add broadcasting to the Python function `oct`:

```
>>> oct_array = np.frompyfunc(oct, 1, 1)
>>> oct_array(np.array((10, 30, 100)))
array(['0o12', '0o36', '0o144'], dtype=object)
>>> np.array(oct(10), oct(30), oct(100)) # for comparison
array(['0o12', '0o36', '0o144'], dtype='<U5')
```

`numpy.piecewise(x, condlist, funclist, *args, **kw)`

Evaluate a piecewise-defined function.

Given a set of conditions and corresponding functions, evaluate each function on the input data wherever its condition is true.

**Parameters****x**

[ndarray or scalar] The input domain.

**condlist**

[list of bool arrays or bool scalars] Each boolean array corresponds to a function in `funclist`. Wherever `condlist[i]` is True, `funclist[i](x)` is used as the output value.

Each boolean array in `condlist` selects a piece of `x`, and should therefore be of the same shape as `x`.

The length of `condlist` must correspond to that of `funclist`. If one extra function is given, i.e. if `len(funclist) == len(condlist) + 1`, then that extra function is the default value, used wherever all conditions are false.

**funclist**

[list of callables, f(x,\*args,\*\*kw), or scalars] Each function is evaluated over `x` wherever its corresponding condition is True. It should take a 1d array as input and give an 1d array or a scalar value as output. If, instead of a callable, a scalar is provided then a constant function (`lambda x: scalar`) is assumed.

**args**

[tuple, optional] Any further arguments given to `piecewise` are passed to the functions upon execution, i.e., if called `piecewise(..., ..., 1, 'a')`, then each function is called as `f(x, 1, 'a')`.

**kw**

[dict, optional] Keyword arguments used in calling `piecewise` are passed to the functions upon execution, i.e., if called `piecewise(..., ..., alpha=1)`, then each function is called as `f(x, alpha=1)`.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The output is the same shape and type as `x` and is found by calling the functions in `funclist` on the appropriate portions of `x`, as defined by the boolean arrays in `condlist`. Portions not covered by any condition have a default value of 0.

**See also:**

`choose`, `select`, `where`

**Notes**

This is similar to `choose` or `select`, except that functions are evaluated on elements of `x` that satisfy the corresponding condition from `condlist`.

The result is:

```
| --
| funcist[0](x[condlist[0]])
out = | funcist[1](x[condlist[1]])
| ...
| funcist[n2](x[condlist[n2]])
| --
```

**Examples**

Define the sigma function, which is -1 for  $x < 0$  and +1 for  $x \geq 0$ .

```
>>> x = np.linspace(-2.5, 2.5, 6)
>>> np.piecewise(x, [x < 0, x >= 0], [-1, 1])
array([-1., -1., -1., 1., 1., 1.])
```

Define the absolute value, which is  $-x$  for  $x < 0$  and  $x$  for  $x \geq 0$ .

```
>>> np.piecewise(x, [x < 0, x >= 0], [lambda x: -x, lambda x: x])
array([2.5, 1.5, 0.5, 0.5, 1.5, 2.5])
```

Apply the same function to a scalar value.

```
>>> y = -2
>>> np.piecewise(y, [y < 0, y >= 0], [lambda x: -x, lambda x: x])
array(2)
```

## 5.13 NumPy-specific help functions

### 5.13.1 Finding help

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<code><a href="#">lookfor</a>(what[, module, import_modules, ...])</code>	Do a keyword search on docstrings.
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`numpy.lookfor (what, module=None, import_modules=True, regenerate=False, output=None)`

Do a keyword search on docstrings.

A list of objects that matched the search is displayed, sorted by relevance. All given keywords need to be found in the docstring for it to be returned as a result, but the order does not matter.

#### Parameters

##### `what`

[str] String containing words to look for.

##### `module`

[str or list, optional] Name of module(s) whose docstrings to go through.

##### `import_modules`

[bool, optional] Whether to import sub-modules in packages. Default is True.

##### `regenerate`

[bool, optional] Whether to re-generate the docstring cache. Default is False.

##### `output`

[file-like, optional] File-like object to write the output to. If omitted, use a pager.

#### See also:

`source, info`

#### Notes

Relevance is determined only roughly, by checking if the keywords occur in the function name, at the start of a docstring, etc.

#### Examples

```
>>> np.lookfor('binary representation')
Search results for 'binary representation'
-----
numpy.binary_repr
    Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.
numpy.core.setup_common.long_double_representation
    Given a binary dump as given by GNU od -b, look for long double
numpy.base_repr
    Return a string representation of a number in the given base system.
...
```

## 5.13.2 Reading help

<code>info([object, maxwidth, output, toplevel])</code>	Get help information for a function, class, or module.
<code>source(object[, output])</code>	Print or write to a file the source code for a NumPy object.

`numpy.info(object=None, maxwidth=76, output=None, toplevel='numpy')`

Get help information for a function, class, or module.

### Parameters

#### object

[object or str, optional] Input object or name to get information about. If `object` is a numpy object, its docstring is given. If it is a string, available modules are searched for matching objects. If None, information about `info` itself is returned.

#### maxwidth

[int, optional] Printing width.

#### output

[file like object, optional] File like object that the output is written to, default is `None`, in which case `sys.stdout` will be used. The object has to be opened in 'w' or 'a' mode.

#### toplevel

[str, optional] Start search at this level.

### See also:

`source`, `lookfor`

### Notes

When used interactively with an object, `np.info(obj)` is equivalent to `help(obj)` on the Python prompt or `obj?` on the IPython prompt.

### Examples

```
>>> np.info(np.polyval)
polyval(p, x)
    Evaluate the polynomial p at x.
    ...
```

When using a string for `object` it is possible to get multiple results.

```
>>> np.info('fft')
*** Found in numpy ***
Core FFT routines
...
*** Found in numpy.fft ***
fft(a, n=None, axis=-1)
...
*** Repeat reference found in numpy.fft.fftpack ***
*** Total of 3 references found. ***
```

---

```
numpy.source(object, output=<io.TextIOWrapper name='<stdout>' mode='w' encoding='utf-8'>)
```

Print or write to a file the source code for a NumPy object.

The source code is only returned for objects written in Python. Many functions and classes are defined in C and will therefore not return useful information.

### Parameters

#### object

[numpy object] Input object. This can be any object (function, class, module, ...).

#### output

[file object, optional] If *output* not supplied then source code is printed to screen (sys.stdout). File object must be created with either write ‘w’ or append ‘a’ modes.

### See also:

[lookfor](#), [info](#)

### Examples

```
>>> np.source(np.interp)
In file: /usr/lib/python2.6/dist-packages/numpy/lib/function_base.py
def interp(x, xp, fp, left=None, right=None):
    """.... (full docstring printed)"""
    if isinstance(x, (float, int, number)):
        return compiled_interp([x], xp, fp, left, right).item()
    else:
        return compiled_interp(x, xp, fp, left, right)
```

The source code is only returned for objects written in Python.

```
>>> np.source(np.array)
Not available for this object.
```

## 5.14 Input and output

### 5.14.1 NumPy binary files (NPY, NPZ)

<code>load(file[, mmap_mode, allow_pickle, ...])</code>	Load arrays or pickled objects from .npy, .npz or pickled files.
<code>save(file, arr[, allow_pickle, fix_imports])</code>	Save an array to a binary file in NumPy .npy format.
<code>savez(file, *args, **kwds)</code>	Save several arrays into a single file in uncompressed .npz format.
<code>savez_compressed(file, *args, **kwds)</code>	Save several arrays into a single file in compressed .npz format.

---

```
numpy.load(file, mmap_mode=None, allow_pickle=False, fix_imports=True, encoding='ASCII')
```

Load arrays or pickled objects from .npy, .npz or pickled files.

**Warning:** Loading files that contain object arrays uses the `pickle` module, which is not secure against erroneous or maliciously constructed data. Consider passing `allow_pickle=False` to load data that is known not to contain object arrays for the safer handling of untrusted sources.

## Parameters

### `file`

[file-like object, string, or `pathlib.Path`] The file to read. File-like objects must support the `seek()` and `read()` methods and must always be opened in binary mode. Pickled files require that the file-like object support the `readline()` method as well.

### `mmap_mode`

[{None, ‘r+’, ‘r’, ‘w+’, ‘c’}, optional] If not None, then memory-map the file, using the given mode (see `numpy.memmap` for a detailed description of the modes). A memory-mapped array is kept on disk. However, it can be accessed and sliced like any `ndarray`. Memory mapping is especially useful for accessing small fragments of large files without reading the entire file into memory.

### `allow_pickle`

[bool, optional] Allow loading pickled object arrays stored in `npy` files. Reasons for disallowing pickles include security, as loading pickled data can execute arbitrary code. If pickles are disallowed, loading object arrays will fail. Default: False

Changed in version 1.16.3: Made default False in response to CVE-2019-6446.

### `fix_imports`

[bool, optional] Only useful when loading Python 2 generated pickled files on Python 3, which includes `npy/npz` files containing object arrays. If `fix_imports` is True, `pickle` will try to map the old Python 2 names to the new names used in Python 3.

### `encoding`

[str, optional] What encoding to use when reading Python 2 strings. Only useful when loading Python 2 generated pickled files in Python 3, which includes `npy/npz` files containing object arrays. Values other than ‘latin1’, ‘ASCII’, and ‘bytes’ are not allowed, as they can corrupt numerical data. Default: ‘ASCII’

## Returns

### `result`

[array, tuple, dict, etc.] Data stored in the file. For `.npz` files, the returned instance of `NpzFile` class must be closed to avoid leaking file descriptors.

## Raises

### `OSError`

If the input file does not exist or cannot be read.

### `UnpicklingError`

If `allow_pickle=True`, but the file cannot be loaded as a pickle.

**ValueError**

The file contains an object array, but `allow_pickle=False` given.

**See also:**

`save, savez, savez\_compressed, loadtxt`

`memmap`

Create a memory-map to an array stored in a file on disk.

`lib.format.open\_memmap`

Create or load a memory-mapped .npy file.

**Notes**

- If the file contains pickle data, then whatever object is stored in the pickle is returned.
- If the file is a .npy file, then a single array is returned.
- If the file is a .npz file, then a dictionary-like object is returned, containing {filename: array} key-value pairs, one for each file in the archive.
- If the file is a .npz file, the returned value supports the context manager protocol in a similar fashion to the open function:

```
with load('foo.npz') as data:
    a = data['a']
```

The underlying file descriptor is closed when exiting the ‘with’ block.

**Examples**

Store data to disk, and load it again:

```
>>> np.save('/tmp/123', np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]]))
>>> np.load('/tmp/123.npy')
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
```

Store compressed data to disk, and load it again:

```
>>> a=np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])
>>> b=np.array([1, 2])
>>> np.savez('/tmp/123.npz', a=a, b=b)
>>> data = np.load('/tmp/123.npz')
>>> data['a']
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
>>> data['b']
array([1, 2])
>>> data.close()
```

Mem-map the stored array, and then access the second row directly from disk:

```
>>> X = np.load('/tmp/123.npy', mmap_mode='r')
>>> X[1, :]
memmap([4, 5, 6])
```

`numpy.save(file, arr, allow_pickle=True, fix_imports=True)`

Save an array to a binary file in NumPy .npy format.

### Parameters

#### file

[file, str, or pathlib.Path] File or filename to which the data is saved. If file is a file-object, then the filename is unchanged. If file is a string or Path, a .npy extension will be appended to the filename if it does not already have one.

#### arr

[array\_like] Array data to be saved.

#### allow\_pickle

[bool, optional] Allow saving object arrays using Python pickles. Reasons for disallowing pickles include security (loading pickled data can execute arbitrary code) and portability (pickled objects may not be loadable on different Python installations, for example if the stored objects require libraries that are not available, and not all pickled data is compatible between Python 2 and Python 3). Default: True

#### fix\_imports

[bool, optional] Only useful in forcing objects in object arrays on Python 3 to be pickled in a Python 2 compatible way. If *fix\_imports* is True, pickle will try to map the new Python 3 names to the old module names used in Python 2, so that the pickle data stream is readable with Python 2.

### See also:

#### `savez`

Save several arrays into a .npz archive

#### `savetxt, load`

### Notes

For a description of the .npy format, see `numpy.lib.format`.

Any data saved to the file is appended to the end of the file.

## Examples

```
>>> from tempfile import TemporaryFile
>>> outfile = TemporaryFile()

>>> x = np.arange(10)
>>> np.save(outfile, x)

>>> _ = outfile.seek(0) # Only needed here to simulate closing & reopening file
>>> np.load(outfile)
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])

>>> with open('test.npy', 'wb') as f:
...     np.save(f, np.array([1, 2]))
...     np.save(f, np.array([1, 3]))
>>> with open('test.npy', 'rb') as f:
...     a = np.load(f)
...     b = np.load(f)
>>> print(a, b)
# [1 2] [1 3]
```

`numpy.savez(file, *args, **kwds)`

Save several arrays into a single file in uncompressed .npz format.

Provide arrays as keyword arguments to store them under the corresponding name in the output file: `savez(fn, x=x, y=y)`.

If arrays are specified as positional arguments, i.e., `savez(fn, x, y)`, their names will be `arr_0`, `arr_1`, etc.

### Parameters

#### file

[str or file] Either the filename (string) or an open file (file-like object) where the data will be saved. If file is a string or a Path, the .npz extension will be appended to the filename if it is not already there.

#### args

[Arguments, optional] Arrays to save to the file. Please use keyword arguments (see `kwds` below) to assign names to arrays. Arrays specified as args will be named “arr\_0”, “arr\_1”, and so on.

#### kwds

[Keyword arguments, optional] Arrays to save to the file. Each array will be saved to the output file with its corresponding keyword name.

### Returns

#### None

### See also:

#### `save`

Save a single array to a binary file in NumPy format.

**`savetxt`**

Save an array to a file as plain text.

**`savez_compressed`**

Save several arrays into a compressed .npz archive

**Notes**

The .npz file format is a zipped archive of files named after the variables they contain. The archive is not compressed and each file in the archive contains one variable in .npy format. For a description of the .npy format, see [numpy.lib.format](#).

When opening the saved .npz file with `load` a *NpzFile* object is returned. This is a dictionary-like object which can be queried for its list of arrays (with the `.files` attribute), and for the arrays themselves.

Keys passed in `kwds` are used as filenames inside the ZIP archive. Therefore, keys should be valid filenames; e.g., avoid keys that begin with / or contain ..

When naming variables with keyword arguments, it is not possible to name a variable `file`, as this would cause the `file` argument to be defined twice in the call to `savez`.

**Examples**

```
>>> from tempfile import TemporaryFile
>>> outfile = TemporaryFile()
>>> x = np.arange(10)
>>> y = np.sin(x)
```

Using `savez` with \*args, the arrays are saved with default names.

```
>>> np.savez(outfile, x, y)
>>> _ = outfile.seek(0) # Only needed here to simulate closing & reopening file
>>> npzfile = np.load(outfile)
>>> npzfile.files
['arr_0', 'arr_1']
>>> npzfile['arr_0']
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
```

Using `savez` with \*\*kwds, the arrays are saved with the keyword names.

```
>>> outfile = TemporaryFile()
>>> np.savez(outfile, x=x, y=y)
>>> _ = outfile.seek(0)
>>> npzfile = np.load(outfile)
>>> sorted(npzfile.files)
['x', 'y']
>>> npzfile['x']
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
```

`numpy.savez_compressed(file, *args, **kwds)`

Save several arrays into a single file in compressed .npz format.

Provide arrays as keyword arguments to store them under the corresponding name in the output file: `savez(fn, x=x, y=y)`.

If arrays are specified as positional arguments, i.e., `savez(fn, x, y)`, their names will be `arr_0`, `arr_1`, etc.

## Parameters

### file

[str or file] Either the filename (string) or an open file (file-like object) where the data will be saved. If file is a string or a Path, the .npz extension will be appended to the filename if it is not already there.

### args

[Arguments, optional] Arrays to save to the file. Please use keyword arguments (see *kwds* below) to assign names to arrays. Arrays specified as args will be named “arr\_0”, “arr\_1”, and so on.

### kwds

[Keyword arguments, optional] Arrays to save to the file. Each array will be saved to the output file with its corresponding keyword name.

## Returns

### None

## See also:

### [`numpy.save`](#)

Save a single array to a binary file in NumPy format.

### [`numpy.savetxt`](#)

Save an array to a file as plain text.

### [`numpy.savez`](#)

Save several arrays into an uncompressed .npz file format

### [`numpy.load`](#)

Load the files created by savez\_compressed.

## Notes

The .npz file format is a zipped archive of files named after the variables they contain. The archive is compressed with zipfile.ZIP\_DEFLATED and each file in the archive contains one variable in .npy format. For a description of the .npy format, see [`numpy.lib.format`](#).

When opening the saved .npz file with `load` a *NpzFile* object is returned. This is a dictionary-like object which can be queried for its list of arrays (with the `.files` attribute), and for the arrays themselves.

## Examples

```
>>> test_array = np.random.rand(3, 2)
>>> test_vector = np.random.rand(4)
>>> np.savez_compressed('/tmp/123', a=test_array, b=test_vector)
>>> loaded = np.load('/tmp/123.npz')
>>> print(np.array_equal(test_array, loaded['a']))
True
>>> print(np.array_equal(test_vector, loaded['b']))
True
```

The format of these binary file types is documented in [numpy.lib.format](#)

### 5.14.2 Text files

<code>loadtxt(fname[, dtype, comments, delimiter, ...])</code>	Load data from a text file.
<code>savetxt(fname, X[, fmt, delimiter, newline, ...])</code>	Save an array to a text file.
<code>genfromtxt(fname[, dtype, comments, ...])</code>	Load data from a text file, with missing values handled as specified.
<code>fromregex(file, regexp, dtype[, encoding])</code>	Construct an array from a text file, using regular expression parsing.
<code>fromstring(string[, dtype, count, like])</code>	A new 1-D array initialized from text data in a string.
<code>ndarray.tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Write array to a file as text or binary (default).
<code>ndarray.tolist()</code>	Return the array as an <code>a.ndim</code> -levels deep nested list of Python scalars.

`numpy.savetxt (fname, X, fmt='%.18e', delimiter=' ', newline='\n', header='', footer='', comments='#', encoding=None)`

Save an array to a text file.

#### Parameters

##### fname

[filename or file handle] If the filename ends in `.gz`, the file is automatically saved in compressed gzip format. `loadtxt` understands gzipped files transparently.

##### X

[1D or 2D array\_like] Data to be saved to a text file.

##### fmt

[str or sequence of strs, optional] A single format (`%10.5f`), a sequence of formats, or a multi-format string, e.g. ‘Iteration `%d - %10.5f`’, in which case `delimiter` is ignored. For complex `X`, the legal options for `fmt` are:

- a single specifier, `fmt='%.4e'`, resulting in numbers formatted like ‘`(%s+%sj)'` % (fmt, fmt)
- a full string specifying every real and imaginary part, e.g. ‘`%.4e %+ .4ej %.4e %+ .4ej %.4e %+ .4ej`’ for 3 columns
- a list of specifiers, one per column - in this case, the real and imaginary part must have separate specifiers, e.g. [`%.3e + %.3ej`, `%.15e %+ .15ej`] for 2 columns

**delimiter**

[str, optional] String or character separating columns.

**newline**

[str, optional] String or character separating lines.

New in version 1.5.0.

**header**

[str, optional] String that will be written at the beginning of the file.

New in version 1.7.0.

**footer**

[str, optional] String that will be written at the end of the file.

New in version 1.7.0.

**comments**

[str, optional] String that will be prepended to the header and footer strings, to mark them as comments. Default: '#', as expected by e.g. `numpy.loadtxt`.

New in version 1.7.0.

**encoding**

[{None, str}, optional] Encoding used to encode the outputfile. Does not apply to output streams. If the encoding is something other than 'bytes' or 'latin1' you will not be able to load the file in NumPy versions < 1.14. Default is 'latin1'.

New in version 1.14.0.

**See also:****`save`**

Save an array to a binary file in NumPy .npy format

**`savez`**

Save several arrays into an uncompressed .npz archive

**`savez_compressed`**

Save several arrays into a compressed .npz archive

**Notes**

Further explanation of the *fmt* parameter (%[flag]width[.precision]specifier):

**flags:**

- : left justify

+ : Forces to precede result with + or -.

0 : Left pad the number with zeros instead of space (see width).

**width:**

Minimum number of characters to be printed. The value is not truncated if it has more characters.

**precision:**

- For integer specifiers (eg. `d`, `i`, `o`, `x`), the minimum number of digits.
- For `e`, `E` and `f` specifiers, the number of digits to print after the decimal point.
- For `g` and `G`, the maximum number of significant digits.
- For `s`, the maximum number of characters.

**specifiers:**

`c` : character  
`d` or `i` : signed decimal integer  
`e` or `E` : scientific notation with `e` or `E`.  
`f` : decimal floating point  
`g`, `G` : use the shorter of `e`, `E` or `f`  
`o` : signed octal  
`s` : string of characters  
`u` : unsigned decimal integer  
`x`, `X` : unsigned hexadecimal integer

This explanation of `fmt` is not complete, for an exhaustive specification see [1].

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

```
>>> x = y = z = np.arange(0.0, 5.0, 1.0)
>>> np.savetxt('test.out', x, delimiter=',')      # X is an array
>>> np.savetxt('test.out', (x,y,z))    # x,y,z equal sized 1D arrays
>>> np.savetxt('test.out', x, fmt='%.1e')     # use exponential notation
```

`numpy.loadtxt`(*fname*, *dtype*=<class 'float'>, *comments*='#', *delimiter*=None, *skip\_header*=0, *skip\_footer*=0, *converters*=None, *missing\_values*=None, *filling\_values*=None, *usecols*=None, *names*=None, *excludelist*=None, *deletechars*="#"%"%"&'()'"+, -./;<=>?@[\\\]^{|}~", *replace\_space*='\_', *autostrip*=False, *case\_sensitive*=True, *defaultfmt*='%i', *unpack*=None, *usemask*=False, *loose*=True, *invalid\_raise*=True, *max\_rows*=None, *encoding*='bytes', \*, *ndmin*=0, *like*=None)

Load data from a text file, with missing values handled as specified.

Each line past the first *skip\_header* lines is split at the *delimiter* character, and characters following the *comments* character are discarded.

**Parameters****fname**

[file, str, `pathlib.Path`, list of str, generator] File, filename, list, or generator to read. If the filename extension is `.gz` or `.bz2`, the file is first decompressed. Note that generators must return bytes or strings. The strings in a list or produced by a generator are treated as lines.

**dtype**

[`dtype`, optional] Data type of the resulting array. If `None`, the dtypes will be determined by the contents of each column, individually.

**comments**

[`str`, optional] The character used to indicate the start of a comment. All the characters occurring on a line after a comment are discarded.

**delimiter**

[`str`, `int`, or `sequence`, optional] The string used to separate values. By default, any consecutive whitespaces act as delimiter. An integer or sequence of integers can also be provided as width(s) of each field.

**skiprows**

[`int`, optional] `skiprows` was removed in numpy 1.10. Please use `skip_header` instead.

**skip\_header**

[`int`, optional] The number of lines to skip at the beginning of the file.

**skip\_footer**

[`int`, optional] The number of lines to skip at the end of the file.

**converters**

[`variable`, optional] The set of functions that convert the data of a column to a value. The converters can also be used to provide a default value for missing data: `converters = {3: lambda s: float(s or 0)}`.

**missing**

[`variable`, optional] `missing` was removed in numpy 1.10. Please use `missing_values` instead.

**missing\_values**

[`variable`, optional] The set of strings corresponding to missing data.

**filling\_values**

[`variable`, optional] The set of values to be used as default when the data are missing.

**usecols**

[`sequence`, optional] Which columns to read, with 0 being the first. For example, `usecols = (1, 4, 5)` will extract the 2nd, 5th and 6th columns.

**names**

[`{None, True, str, sequence}`, optional] If `names` is `True`, the field names are read from the first line after the first `skip_header` lines. This line can optionally be preceded by a comment delimiter. If `names` is a sequence or a single-string of comma-separated names, the names will be used to define the field names in a structured `dtype`. If `names` is `None`, the names of the `dtype` fields will be used, if any.

**excludelist**

[`sequence`, optional] A list of names to exclude. This list is appended to the default list [`'return'`, `'file'`, `'print'`]. Excluded names are appended with an underscore: for example, `file` would become `file_`.

**deletechars**

[str, optional] A string combining invalid characters that must be deleted from the names.

**defaultfmt**

[str, optional] A format used to define default field names, such as “f%*i*” or “f\_%02*i*”.

**autostrip**

[bool, optional] Whether to automatically strip white spaces from the variables.

**replace\_space**

[char, optional] Character(s) used in replacement of white spaces in the variable names. By default, use a ‘\_’.

**case\_sensitive**

[{True, False, ‘upper’, ‘lower’}, optional] If True, field names are case sensitive. If False or ‘upper’, field names are converted to upper case. If ‘lower’, field names are converted to lower case.

**unpack**

[bool, optional] If True, the returned array is transposed, so that arguments may be unpacked using `x, y, z = genfromtxt(...)`. When used with a structured data-type, arrays are returned for each field. Default is False.

**usemask**

[bool, optional] If True, return a masked array. If False, return a regular array.

**loose**

[bool, optional] If True, do not raise errors for invalid values.

**invalid\_raise**

[bool, optional] If True, an exception is raised if an inconsistency is detected in the number of columns. If False, a warning is emitted and the offending lines are skipped.

**max\_rows**

[int, optional] The maximum number of rows to read. Must not be used with skip\_footer at the same time. If given, the value must be at least 1. Default is to read the entire file.

New in version 1.10.0.

**encoding**

[str, optional] Encoding used to decode the inputfile. Does not apply when *fname* is a file object. The special value ‘bytes’ enables backward compatibility workarounds that ensure that you receive byte arrays when possible and passes latin1 encoded strings to converters. Override this value to receive unicode arrays and pass strings as input to converters. If set to None the system default is used. The default value is ‘bytes’.

New in version 1.14.0.

**ndmin**

[int, optional] Same parameter as `loadtxt`

New in version 1.23.0.

**like**

[array\_like, optional] Reference object to allow the creation of arrays which are not NumPy arrays. If an array-like passed in as `like` supports the `__array_function__` protocol, the result will be defined by it. In this case, it ensures the creation of an array object compatible with that passed in via this argument.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Data read from the text file. If `usemask` is True, this is a masked array.

**See also:****`numpy.loadtxt`**

equivalent function when no data is missing.

**Notes**

- When spaces are used as delimiters, or when no delimiter has been given as input, there should not be any missing data between two fields.
- When the variables are named (either by a flexible dtype or with `names`), there must not be any header in the file (else a ValueError exception is raised).
- Individual values are not stripped of spaces by default. When using a custom converter, make sure the function does remove spaces.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

```
>>> from io import StringIO
>>> import numpy as np
```

Comma delimited file with mixed dtype

```
>>> s = StringIO(u"1,1.3,abcde")
>>> data = np.genfromtxt(s, dtype=[('myint','i8'),('myfloat','f8'),
... ('mystring','S5')], delimiter=",")
>>> data
array((1, 1.3, b'abcde'),
      dtype=[('myint', '<i8'), ('myfloat', '<f8'), ('mystring', 'S5')])
```

Using `dtype = None`

```
>>> _ = s.seek(0) # needed for StringIO example only
>>> data = np.genfromtxt(s, dtype=None,
...     names = ['myint','myfloat','mystring'], delimiter=", ")
>>> data
array((1, 1.3, b'abcde'),
      dtype=[('myint', '<i8'), ('myfloat', '<f8'), ('mystring', 'S5')])
```

Specifying dtype and names

```
>>> _ = s.seek(0)
>>> data = np.genfromtxt(s, dtype="i8,f8,S5",
...     names=['myint','myfloat','mystring'], delimiter=", ")
>>> data
array((1, 1.3, b'abcde'),
      dtype=[('myint', '<i8'), ('myfloat', '<f8'), ('mystring', 'S5')])
```

An example with fixed-width columns

```
>>> s = StringIO(u"11.3abcde")
>>> data = np.genfromtxt(s, dtype=None, names=['intvar','fltvare','strvar'],
...     delimiter=[1,3,5])
>>> data
array((1, 1.3, b'abcde'),
      dtype=[('intvar', '<i8'), ('fltvare', '<f8'), ('strvar', 'S5')])
```

An example to show comments

```
>>> f = StringIO('''
... text,# of chars
... hello world,11
... numpy,5''')
>>> np.genfromtxt(f, dtype='S12,S12', delimiter=',')
array([(b'text', b''), (b'hello world', b'11'), (b'numpy', b'5')],
      dtype=[('f0', 'S12'), ('f1', 'S12')])
```

## numpy.fromregex(file, regexp, dtype, encoding=None)

Construct an array from a text file, using regular expression parsing.

The returned array is always a structured array, and is constructed from all matches of the regular expression in the file. Groups in the regular expression are converted to fields of the structured array.

### Parameters

#### file

[path or file] Filename or file object to read.

Changed in version 1.22.0: Now accepts `os.PathLike` implementations.

#### regexp

[str or regexp] Regular expression used to parse the file. Groups in the regular expression correspond to fields in the dtype.

#### dtype

[dtype or list of dtypes] Dtype for the structured array; must be a structured datatype.

#### encoding

[str, optional] Encoding used to decode the inputfile. Does not apply to input streams.

New in version 1.14.0.

## Returns

### `output`

[ndarray] The output array, containing the part of the content of *file* that was matched by *regexp*. *output* is always a structured array.

## Raises

### `TypeError`

When *dtype* is not a valid dtype for a structured array.

See also:

`fromstring`, `loadtxt`

## Notes

Dtypes for structured arrays can be specified in several forms, but all forms specify at least the data type and field name. For details see *basics.rec*.

## Examples

```
>>> from io import StringIO
>>> text = StringIO("1312 foo\n1534 bar\n444 qux")
```

```
>>> regexp = r"(\d+)\s+(...)" # match [digits, whitespace, anything]
>>> output = np.fromregex(text, regexp,
...                         [('num', np.int64), ('key', 'S3')])
>>> output
array([(1312, b'foo'), (1534, b'bar'), (444, b'qux')],
      dtype=[('num', '<i8'), ('key', 'S3')])
>>> output['num']
array([1312, 1534, 444])
```

## 5.14.3 Raw binary files

<code>fromfile(file[, dtype, count, sep, offset, like])</code>	Construct an array from data in a text or binary file.
<code>ndarray.tofile(fid[, sep, format])</code>	Write array to a file as text or binary (default).

## 5.14.4 String formatting

<code>array2string(a[, max_line_width, precision, ...])</code>	Return a string representation of an array.
<code>array_repr(arr[, max_line_width, precision, ...])</code>	Return the string representation of an array.
<code>array_str(a[, max_line_width, precision, ...])</code>	Return a string representation of the data in an array.
<code>format_float_positional(x[, precision, ...])</code>	Format a floating-point scalar as a decimal string in positional notation.
<code>format_float_scientific(x[, precision, ...])</code>	Format a floating-point scalar as a decimal string in scientific notation.

```
numpy.array2string(a, max_line_width=None, precision=None, suppress_small=None, separator=',', prefix='',
                   style=<no value>, formatter=None, threshold=None, edgeitems=None, sign=None,
                   floatmode=None, suffix='*', legacy=None)
```

Return a string representation of an array.

### Parameters

#### a

[ndarray] Input array.

#### max\_line\_width

[int, optional] Inserts newlines if text is longer than *max\_line\_width*. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['linewidth']`.

#### precision

[int or None, optional] Floating point precision. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['precision']`.

#### suppress\_small

[bool, optional] Represent numbers “very close” to zero as zero; default is False. Very close is defined by precision: if the precision is 8, e.g., numbers smaller (in absolute value) than 5e-9 are represented as zero. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['suppress']`.

#### separator

[str, optional] Inserted between elements.

#### prefix

[str, optional]

#### suffix

[str, optional] The length of the prefix and suffix strings are used to respectively align and wrap the output. An array is typically printed as:

```
prefix + array2string(a) + suffix
```

The output is left-padded by the length of the prefix string, and wrapping is forced at the column `max_line_width - len(suffix)`. It should be noted that the content of prefix and suffix strings are not included in the output.

#### style

[\_NoValue, optional] Has no effect, do not use.

Deprecated since version 1.14.0.

**formatter**

[dict of callables, optional] If not None, the keys should indicate the type(s) that the respective formatting function applies to. Callables should return a string. Types that are not specified (by their corresponding keys) are handled by the default formatters. Individual types for which a formatter can be set are:

- ‘bool’
- ‘int’
- ‘timedelta’ : a `numpy.timedelta64`
- ‘datetime’ : a `numpy.datetime64`
- ‘float’
- ‘longfloat’ : 128-bit floats
- ‘complexfloat’
- ‘longcomplexfloat’ : composed of two 128-bit floats
- ‘void’ : type `numpy void`
- ‘numpystr’ : types `numpy.string_` and `numpy.unicode_`

Other keys that can be used to set a group of types at once are:

- ‘all’ : sets all types
- ‘int\_kind’ : sets ‘int’
- ‘float\_kind’ : sets ‘float’ and ‘longfloat’
- ‘complex\_kind’ : sets ‘complexfloat’ and ‘longcomplexfloat’
- ‘str\_kind’ : sets ‘numpystr’

**threshold**

[int, optional] Total number of array elements which trigger summarization rather than full repr. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['threshold']`.

**edgeitems**

[int, optional] Number of array items in summary at beginning and end of each dimension. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['edgeitems']`.

**sign**

[string, either ‘-’, ‘+’, or ‘ ‘, optional] Controls printing of the sign of floating-point types. If ‘+’, always print the sign of positive values. If ‘ ‘, always prints a space (whitespace character) in the sign position of positive values. If ‘-’, omit the sign character of positive values. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['sign']`.

**floatmode**

[str, optional] Controls the interpretation of the *precision* option for floating-point types. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['floatmode']`. Can take the following values:

- ‘fixed’: Always print exactly *precision* fractional digits, even if this would print more or fewer digits than necessary to specify the value uniquely.

- ‘unique’: Print the minimum number of fractional digits necessary to represent each value uniquely. Different elements may have a different number of digits. The value of the *precision* option is ignored.
- ‘maxprec’: Print at most *precision* fractional digits, but if an element can be uniquely represented with fewer digits only print it with that many.
- ‘maxprec\_equal’: Print at most *precision* fractional digits, but if every element in the array can be uniquely represented with an equal number of fewer digits, use that many digits for all elements.

**legacy**

[string or *False*, optional] If set to the string ‘1.13’ enables 1.13 legacy printing mode. This approximates numpy 1.13 print output by including a space in the sign position of floats and different behavior for 0d arrays. If set to *False*, disables legacy mode. Unrecognized strings will be ignored with a warning for forward compatibility.

New in version 1.14.0.

**Returns****array\_str**

[str] String representation of the array.

**Raises****TypeError**

if a callable in *formatter* does not return a string.

**See also:**

[`array\_str`](#), [`array\_repr`](#), [`set\_printoptions`](#), [`get\_printoptions`](#)

**Notes**

If a formatter is specified for a certain type, the *precision* keyword is ignored for that type.

This is a very flexible function; [`array\_repr`](#) and [`array\_str`](#) are using [`array2string`](#) internally so keywords with the same name should work identically in all three functions.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([1e-16, 1, 2, 3])
>>> np.array2string(x, precision=2, separator=', ',
...                   suppress_small=True)
'[0., 1., 2., 3.]'
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(3.)
>>> np.array2string(x, formatter={'float_kind':lambda x: "% .2f" % x})
'[0.00 1.00 2.00]'
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(3)
>>> np.array2string(x, formatter={'int':lambda x: hex(x)})
'[0x0 0x1 0x2]'
```

`numpy.array_repr(arr, max_line_width=None, precision=None, suppress_small=None)`

Return the string representation of an array.

### Parameters

#### arr

[ndarray] Input array.

#### max\_line\_width

[int, optional] Inserts newlines if text is longer than *max\_line\_width*. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['linewidth']`.

#### precision

[int, optional] Floating point precision. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['precision']`.

#### suppress\_small

[bool, optional] Represent numbers “very close” to zero as zero; default is False. Very close is defined by precision: if the precision is 8, e.g., numbers smaller (in absolute value) than 5e-9 are represented as zero. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions() ['suppress']`.

### Returns

#### string

[str] The string representation of an array.

### See also:

[`array\_str`](#), [`array2string`](#), [`set\_printoptions`](#)

### Examples

```
>>> np.array_repr(np.array([1, 2]))
'array([1, 2])'
>>> np.array_repr(np.ma.array([0.]))
'MaskedArray([0.])'
>>> np.array_repr(np.array([], np.int32))
'array([], dtype=int32)'
```

```
>>> x = np.array([1e-6, 4e-7, 2, 3])
>>> np.array_repr(x, precision=6, suppress_small=True)
'array([0.000001,  0.        ,  2.        ,  3.        ])'
```

`numpy.array_str(a, max_line_width=None, precision=None, suppress_small=None)`

Return a string representation of the data in an array.

The data in the array is returned as a single string. This function is similar to `array_repr`, the difference being that `array_repr` also returns information on the kind of array and its data type.

**Parameters****a**

[ndarray] Input array.

**max\_line\_width**[int, optional] Inserts newlines if text is longer than *max\_line\_width*. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions()['linewidth']`.**precision**[int, optional] Floating point precision. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions()['precision']`.**suppress\_small**[bool, optional] Represent numbers “very close” to zero as zero; default is False. Very close is defined by precision: if the precision is 8, e.g., numbers smaller (in absolute value) than 5e-9 are represented as zero. Defaults to `numpy.get_printoptions()['suppress']`.**See also:**`array2string, array_repr, set_printoptions`**Examples**

```
>>> np.array_str(np.arange(3))
'[0 1 2]'
```

`numpy.format_float_positional(x, precision=None, unique=True, fractional=True, trim='k', sign=False, pad_left=None, pad_right=None, min_digits=None)`

Format a floating-point scalar as a decimal string in positional notation.

Provides control over rounding, trimming and padding. Uses and assumes IEEE unbiased rounding. Uses the “Dragon4” algorithm.

**Parameters****x**

[python float or numpy floating scalar] Value to format.

**precision**[non-negative integer or None, optional] Maximum number of digits to print. May be None if `unique` is `True`, but must be an integer if `unique` is `False`.**unique**[boolean, optional] If `True`, use a digit-generation strategy which gives the shortest representation which uniquely identifies the floating-point number from other values of the same type, by judicious rounding. If `precision` is given fewer digits than necessary can be printed, or if `min_digits` is given more can be printed, in which cases the last digit is rounded with unbiased rounding. If `False`, digits are generated as if printing an infinite-precision value and stopping after `precision` digits, rounding the remaining value with unbiased rounding

**`fractional`**

[boolean, optional] If *True*, the cutoffs of *precision* and *min\_digits* refer to the total number of digits after the decimal point, including leading zeros. If *False*, *precision* and *min\_digits* refer to the total number of significant digits, before or after the decimal point, ignoring leading zeros.

**`trim`**

[one of ‘k’, ‘.’, ‘0’, ‘-’, optional] Controls post-processing trimming of trailing digits, as follows:

- ‘k’ : keep trailing zeros, keep decimal point (no trimming)
- ‘.’ : trim all trailing zeros, leave decimal point
- ‘0’ : trim all but the zero before the decimal point. Insert the zero if it is missing.
- ‘-’ : trim trailing zeros and any trailing decimal point

**`sign`**

[boolean, optional] Whether to show the sign for positive values.

**`pad_left`**

[non-negative integer, optional] Pad the left side of the string with whitespace until at least that many characters are to the left of the decimal point.

**`pad_right`**

[non-negative integer, optional] Pad the right side of the string with whitespace until at least that many characters are to the right of the decimal point.

**`min_digits`**

[non-negative integer or None, optional] Minimum number of digits to print. Only has an effect if *unique=True* in which case additional digits past those necessary to uniquely identify the value may be printed, rounding the last additional digit.

– versionadded:: 1.21.0

**Returns****`rep`**

[string] The string representation of the floating point value

**See also:**

[`format\_float\_scientific`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.format_float_positional(np.float32(np.pi))
'3.1415927'
>>> np.format_float_positional(np.float16(np.pi))
'3.14'
>>> np.format_float_positional(np.float16(0.3))
'0.3'
>>> np.format_float_positional(np.float16(0.3), unique=False, precision=10)
'0.3000488281'
```

```
numpy.format_float_scientific(x, precision=None, unique=True, trim='k', sign=False, pad_left=None,  
                               exp_digits=None, min_digits=None)
```

Format a floating-point scalar as a decimal string in scientific notation.

Provides control over rounding, trimming and padding. Uses and assumes IEEE unbiased rounding. Uses the “Dragon4” algorithm.

### Parameters

**x**

[python float or numpy floating scalar] Value to format.

**precision**

[non-negative integer or None, optional] Maximum number of digits to print. May be None if *unique* is *True*, but must be an integer if unique is *False*.

**unique**

[boolean, optional] If *True*, use a digit-generation strategy which gives the shortest representation which uniquely identifies the floating-point number from other values of the same type, by judicious rounding. If *precision* is given fewer digits than necessary can be printed. If *min\_digits* is given more can be printed, in which cases the last digit is rounded with unbiased rounding. If *False*, digits are generated as if printing an infinite-precision value and stopping after *precision* digits, rounding the remaining value with unbiased rounding

**trim**

[one of ‘k’, ‘.’, ‘0’, ‘-’, optional] Controls post-processing trimming of trailing digits, as follows:

- ‘k’ : keep trailing zeros, keep decimal point (no trimming)
- ‘.’ : trim all trailing zeros, leave decimal point
- ‘0’ : trim all but the zero before the decimal point. Insert the zero if it is missing.
- ‘-’ : trim trailing zeros and any trailing decimal point

**sign**

[boolean, optional] Whether to show the sign for positive values.

**pad\_left**

[non-negative integer, optional] Pad the left side of the string with whitespace until at least that many characters are to the left of the decimal point.

**exp\_digits**

[non-negative integer, optional] Pad the exponent with zeros until it contains at least this many digits. If omitted, the exponent will be at least 2 digits.

**min\_digits**

[non-negative integer or None, optional] Minimum number of digits to print. This only has an effect for *unique=True*. In that case more digits than necessary to uniquely identify the value may be printed and rounded unbiased.

– versionadded:: 1.21.0

### Returns

**rep**

[string] The string representation of the floating point value

**See also:**

[`format\_float\_positional`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.format_float_scientific(np.float32(np.pi))
'3.1415927e+00'
>>> s = np.float32(1.23e24)
>>> np.format_float_scientific(s, unique=False, precision=15)
'1.230000071797338e+24'
>>> np.format_float_scientific(s, exp_digits=4)
'1.23e+0024'
```

**5.14.5 Memory mapping files**

<code>memmap(filename[, dtype, mode, offset, ...])</code>	Create a memory-map to an array stored in a <i>binary</i> file on disk.
<code>lib.format.open_memmap(filename[, mode, ...])</code>	Open a .npy file as a memory-mapped array.

`lib.format.open_memmap(filename, mode='r+', dtype=None, shape=None, fortran_order=False, version=None)`

Open a .npy file as a memory-mapped array.

This may be used to read an existing file or create a new one.

**Parameters****filename**

[str or path-like] The name of the file on disk. This may *not* be a file-like object.

**mode**

[str, optional] The mode in which to open the file; the default is ‘r+’. In addition to the standard file modes, ‘c’ is also accepted to mean “copy on write.” See [memmap](#) for the available mode strings.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] The data type of the array if we are creating a new file in “write” mode, if not, `dtype` is ignored. The default value is None, which results in a data-type of `float64`.

**shape**

[tuple of int] The shape of the array if we are creating a new file in “write” mode, in which case this parameter is required. Otherwise, this parameter is ignored and is thus optional.

**fortran\_order**

[bool, optional] Whether the array should be Fortran-contiguous (True) or C-contiguous (False, the default) if we are creating a new file in “write” mode.

**version**

[tuple of int (major, minor) or None] If the mode is a “write” mode, then this is the version of the file format used to create the file. None means use the oldest supported version that is able to store the data. Default: None

**Returns****marray**

[memmap] The memory-mapped array.

**Raises****ValueError**

If the data or the mode is invalid.

**OSError**

If the file is not found or cannot be opened correctly.

**See also:**

[`numpy.memmap`](#)

## 5.14.6 Text formatting options

<code>set_printoptions([precision, threshold, ...])</code>	Set printing options.
<code>get_printoptions()</code>	Return the current print options.
<code>set_string_function(f[, repr])</code>	Set a Python function to be used when pretty printing arrays.
<code>printoptions(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Context manager for setting print options.

`numpy.set_printoptions(precision=None, threshold=None, edgeitems=None, linewidth=None, suppress=None, nanstr=None, infstr=None, formatter=None, sign=None, floatmode=None, *, legacy=None)`

Set printing options.

These options determine the way floating point numbers, arrays and other NumPy objects are displayed.

**Parameters****precision**

[int or None, optional] Number of digits of precision for floating point output (default 8). May be None if `floatmode` is not `fixed`, to print as many digits as necessary to uniquely specify the value.

**threshold**

[int, optional] Total number of array elements which trigger summarization rather than full repr (default 1000). To always use the full repr without summarization, pass `sys.maxsize`.

**edgeitems**

[int, optional] Number of array items in summary at beginning and end of each dimension (default 3).

**linewidth**

[int, optional] The number of characters per line for the purpose of inserting line breaks (default 75).

**suppress**

[bool, optional] If True, always print floating point numbers using fixed point notation, in which case numbers equal to zero in the current precision will print as zero. If False, then scientific notation is used when absolute value of the smallest number is < 1e-4 or the ratio of the maximum absolute value to the minimum is > 1e3. The default is False.

**nanstr**

[str, optional] String representation of floating point not-a-number (default nan).

**infstr**

[str, optional] String representation of floating point infinity (default inf).

**sign**

[string, either ‘-’, ‘+’, or ‘ ‘, optional] Controls printing of the sign of floating-point types. If ‘+’, always print the sign of positive values. If ‘ ‘, always prints a space (whitespace character) in the sign position of positive values. If ‘-’, omit the sign character of positive values. (default ‘-’)

**formatter**

[dict of callables, optional] If not None, the keys should indicate the type(s) that the respective formatting function applies to. Callables should return a string. Types that are not specified (by their corresponding keys) are handled by the default formatters. Individual types for which a formatter can be set are:

- ‘bool’
- ‘int’
- ‘timedelta’ : a `numpy.timedelta64`
- ‘datetime’ : a `numpy.datetime64`
- ‘float’
- ‘longfloat’ : 128-bit floats
- ‘complexfloat’
- ‘longcomplexfloat’ : composed of two 128-bit floats
- ‘numpystr’ : types `numpy.string_` and `numpy.unicode_`
- ‘object’ : `np.object_` arrays

Other keys that can be used to set a group of types at once are:

- ‘all’ : sets all types
- ‘int\_kind’ : sets ‘int’
- ‘float\_kind’ : sets ‘float’ and ‘longfloat’
- ‘complex\_kind’ : sets ‘complexfloat’ and ‘longcomplexfloat’
- ‘str\_kind’ : sets ‘numpystr’

**floatmode**

[str, optional] Controls the interpretation of the *precision* option for floating-point types. Can take the following values (default maxprec\_equal):

- ‘fixed’: Always print exactly *precision* fractional digits,  
even if this would print more or fewer digits than necessary to specify the value uniquely.
- ‘unique’: Print the minimum number of fractional digits necessary  
to represent each value uniquely. Different elements may have a different number of digits. The value of the *precision* option is ignored.
- ‘maxprec’: Print at most *precision* fractional digits, but if  
an element can be uniquely represented with fewer digits only print it with that many.
- ‘maxprec\_equal’: Print at most *precision* fractional digits,  
but if every element in the array can be uniquely represented with an equal number of fewer digits, use that many digits for all elements.

**legacy**

[string or *False*, optional] If set to the string ‘1.13’ enables 1.13 legacy printing mode. This approximates numpy 1.13 print output by including a space in the sign position of floats and different behavior for 0d arrays. This also enables 1.21 legacy printing mode (described below).

If set to the string ‘1.21’ enables 1.21 legacy printing mode. This approximates numpy 1.21 print output of complex structured dtypes by not inserting spaces after commas that separate fields and after colons.

If set to *False*, disables legacy mode.

Unrecognized strings will be ignored with a warning for forward compatibility.

New in version 1.14.0.

Changed in version 1.22.0.

**See also:**

[`get\_printoptions`](#), [`printoptions`](#), [`set\_string\_function`](#), [`array2string`](#)

**Notes**

*formatter* is always reset with a call to [`set\_printoptions`](#).

Use [`printoptions`](#) as a context manager to set the values temporarily.

## Examples

Floating point precision can be set:

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
>>> np.array([1.123456789])
[1.1235]
```

Long arrays can be summarised:

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(threshold=5)
>>> np.arange(10)
array([0, 1, 2, ..., 7, 8, 9])
```

Small results can be suppressed:

```
>>> eps = np.finfo(float).eps
>>> x = np.arange(4.)
>>> x**2 - (x + eps)**2
array([-4.9304e-32, -4.4409e-16,  0.0000e+00,  0.0000e+00])
>>> np.set_printoptions(suppress=True)
>>> x**2 - (x + eps)**2
array([-0., -0.,  0.,  0.])
```

A custom formatter can be used to display array elements as desired:

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(formatter={'all':lambda x: 'int: '+str(-x)})
>>> x = np.arange(3)
>>> x
array([int: 0, int: -1, int: -2])
>>> np.set_printoptions()  # formatter gets reset
>>> x
array([0, 1, 2])
```

To put back the default options, you can use:

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(edgeitems=3, infstr='inf',
... linewidth=75, nanstr='nan', precision=8,
... suppress=False, threshold=1000, formatter=None)
```

Also to temporarily override options, use *printoptions* as a context manager:

```
>>> with np.printoptions(precision=2, suppress=True, threshold=5):
...     np.linspace(0, 10, 10)
array([ 0. ,  1.1,  2.22, ...,  7.78,  8.89, 10. ])
```

`numpy.get_printoptions()`

Return the current print options.

### Returns

#### `print_opts`

[dict] Dictionary of current print options with keys

- `precision` : int
- `threshold` : int
- `edgeitems` : int

- linewidth : int
- suppress : bool
- nanstr : str
- infstr : str
- formatter : dict of callables
- sign : str

For a full description of these options, see [set\\_printoptions](#).

**See also:**

[set\\_printoptions](#), [printoptions](#), [set\\_string\\_function](#)

`numpy.set_string_function(f, repr=True)`

Set a Python function to be used when pretty printing arrays.

#### Parameters

**f**

[function or None] Function to be used to pretty print arrays. The function should expect a single array argument and return a string of the representation of the array. If None, the function is reset to the default NumPy function to print arrays.

**repr**

[bool, optional] If True (default), the function for pretty printing (`__repr__`) is set, if False the function that returns the default string representation (`__str__`) is set.

**See also:**

[set\\_printoptions](#), [get\\_printoptions](#)

## Examples

```
>>> def pprint(arr):
...     return 'HA! - What are you going to do now?'
...
>>> np.set_string_function(pprint)
>>> a = np.arange(10)
>>> a
HA! - What are you going to do now?
>>> _ = a
>>> # [0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9]
```

We can reset the function to the default:

```
>>> np.set_string_function(None)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
```

`repr` affects either pretty printing or normal string representation. Note that `__repr__` is still affected by setting `__str__` because the width of each array element in the returned string becomes equal to the length of the result of `__str__()`.

```
>>> x = np.arange(4)
>>> np.set_string_function(lambda x:'random', repr=False)
>>> x.__str__()
'random'
>>> x.__repr__()
'array([0, 1, 2, 3])'
```

`numpy.printoptions(*args, **kwargs)`

Context manager for setting print options.

Set print options for the scope of the *with* block, and restore the old options at the end. See [set\\_printoptions](#) for the full description of available options.

See also:

[set\\_printoptions](#), [get\\_printoptions](#)

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.testing import assert_equal
>>> with np.printoptions(precision=2):
...     np.array([2.0]) / 3
array([0.67])
```

The *as*-clause of the *with*-statement gives the current print options:

```
>>> with np.printoptions(precision=2) as opts:
...     assert_equal(opts, np.get_printoptions())
```

## 5.14.7 Base-n representations

<code>binary_repr(num[, width])</code>	Return the binary representation of the input number as a string.
<code>base_repr(number[, base, padding])</code>	Return a string representation of a number in the given base system.

`numpy.base_repr(number, base=2, padding=0)`

Return a string representation of a number in the given base system.

### Parameters

#### number

[int] The value to convert. Positive and negative values are handled.

#### base

[int, optional] Convert *number* to the *base* number system. The valid range is 2-36, the default value is 2.

#### padding

[int, optional] Number of zeros padded on the left. Default is 0 (no padding).

### Returns

**out**

[str] String representation of *number* in *base* system.

**See also:**

***binary\_repr***

Faster version of *base\_repr* for base 2.

## Examples

```
>>> np.base_repr(5)
'101'
>>> np.base_repr(6, 5)
'11'
>>> np.base_repr(7, base=5, padding=3)
'00012'
```

```
>>> np.base_repr(10, base=16)
'A'
>>> np.base_repr(32, base=16)
'20'
```

## 5.14.8 Data sources

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***DataSource*([*destpath*])**

A generic data source file (file, http, ftp, ...).

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**class numpy.DataSource(*destpath*=':')**

A generic data source file (file, http, ftp, ...).

DataSources can be local files or remote files/URLs. The files may also be compressed or uncompressed. DataSource hides some of the low-level details of downloading the file, allowing you to simply pass in a valid file path (or URL) and obtain a file object.

**Parameters*****destpath***

[str or None, optional] Path to the directory where the source file gets downloaded to for use. If *destpath* is None, a temporary directory will be created. The default path is the current directory.

## Notes

URLs require a scheme string (`http://`) to be used, without it they will fail:

```
>>> repos = np.DataSource()
>>> repos.exists('www.google.com/index.html')
False
>>> repos.exists('http://www.google.com/index.html')
True
```

Temporary directories are deleted when the `DataSource` is deleted.

## Examples

```
>>> ds = np.DataSource('/home/guido')
>>> urlname = 'http://www.google.com/'
>>> gfile = ds.open('http://www.google.com/')
>>> ds.abspath(urlname)
'/home/guido/www.google.com/index.html'

>>> ds = np.DataSource(None) # use with temporary file
>>> ds.open('/home/guido/foobar.txt')
<open file '/home/guido/foobar.txt', mode 'r' at 0x91d4430>
>>> ds.abspath('/home/guido/foobar.txt')
'/tmp/.../home/guido/foobar.txt'
```

## Methods

<code>abspath(path)</code>	Return absolute path of file in the <code>DataSource</code> directory.
<code>exists(path)</code>	Test if path exists.
<code>open(path[, mode, encoding, newline])</code>	Open and return file-like object.

method

`DataSource.abspath(path)`

Return absolute path of file in the `DataSource` directory.

If `path` is an URL, then `abspath` will return either the location the file exists locally or the location it would exist when opened using the `open` method.

### Parameters

#### path

[str] Can be a local file or a remote URL.

### Returns

#### out

[str] Complete path, including the `DataSource` destination directory.

## Notes

The functionality is based on `os.path.abspath`.

method

`DataSource.exists(path)`

Test if path exists.

Test if path exists as (and in this order):

- a local file.
- a remote URL that has been downloaded and stored locally in the `DataSource` directory.
- a remote URL that has not been downloaded, but is valid and accessible.

### Parameters

#### **path**

[str] Can be a local file or a remote URL.

### Returns

#### **out**

[bool] True if path exists.

## Notes

When `path` is an URL, `exists` will return True if it's either stored locally in the `DataSource` directory, or is a valid remote URL. `DataSource` does not discriminate between the two, the file is accessible if it exists in either location.

method

`DataSource.open(path, mode='r', encoding=None, newline=None)`

Open and return file-like object.

If `path` is an URL, it will be downloaded, stored in the `DataSource` directory and opened from there.

### Parameters

#### **path**

[str] Local file path or URL to open.

#### **mode**

[{'r', 'w', 'a'}, optional] Mode to open `path`. Mode 'r' for reading, 'w' for writing, 'a' to append. Available modes depend on the type of object specified by `path`. Default is 'r'.

#### **encoding**

[{None, str}, optional] Open text file with given encoding. The default encoding will be what `io.open` uses.

#### **newline**

[{None, str}, optional] Newline to use when reading text file.

**Returns****out**

[file object] File object.

## 5.14.9 Binary Format Description

<code>lib.format</code>	Binary serialization
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Binary serialization

### NPY format

A simple format for saving numpy arrays to disk with the full information about them.

The .npy format is the standard binary file format in NumPy for persisting a *single* arbitrary NumPy array on disk. The format stores all of the shape and dtype information necessary to reconstruct the array correctly even on another machine with a different architecture. The format is designed to be as simple as possible while achieving its limited goals.

The .npz format is the standard format for persisting *multiple* NumPy arrays on disk. A .npz file is a zip file containing multiple .npy files, one for each array.

### Capabilities

- Can represent all NumPy arrays including nested record arrays and object arrays.
- Represents the data in its native binary form.
- Supports Fortran-contiguous arrays directly.
- Stores all of the necessary information to reconstruct the array including shape and dtype on a machine of a different architecture. Both little-endian and big-endian arrays are supported, and a file with little-endian numbers will yield a little-endian array on any machine reading the file. The types are described in terms of their actual sizes. For example, if a machine with a 64-bit C “long int” writes out an array with “long ints”, a reading machine with 32-bit C “long ints” will yield an array with 64-bit integers.
- Is straightforward to reverse engineer. Datasets often live longer than the programs that created them. A competent developer should be able to create a solution in their preferred programming language to read most .npy files that they have been given without much documentation.
- Allows memory-mapping of the data. See [`open\_memmap`](#).
- Can be read from a filelike stream object instead of an actual file.
- Stores object arrays, i.e. arrays containing elements that are arbitrary Python objects. Files with object arrays are not to be mmapable, but can be read and written to disk.

## Limitations

- Arbitrary subclasses of `numpy.ndarray` are not completely preserved. Subclasses will be accepted for writing, but only the array data will be written out. A regular `numpy.ndarray` object will be created upon reading the file.

**Warning:** Due to limitations in the interpretation of structured dtypes, dtypes with fields with empty names will have the names replaced by ‘f0’, ‘f1’, etc. Such arrays will not round-trip through the format entirely accurately. The data is intact; only the field names will differ. We are working on a fix for this. This fix will not require a change in the file format. The arrays with such structures can still be saved and restored, and the correct dtype may be restored by using the `loadedarray.view(correct_dtype)` method.

## File extensions

We recommend using the `.npy` and `.npz` extensions for files saved in this format. This is by no means a requirement; applications may wish to use these file formats but use an extension specific to the application. In the absence of an obvious alternative, however, we suggest using `.npy` and `.npz`.

## Version numbering

The version numbering of these formats is independent of NumPy version numbering. If the format is upgraded, the code in `numpy.io` will still be able to read and write Version 1.0 files.

## Format Version 1.0

The first 6 bytes are a magic string: exactly `\x93NUMPY`.

The next 1 byte is an unsigned byte: the major version number of the file format, e.g. `\x01`.

The next 1 byte is an unsigned byte: the minor version number of the file format, e.g. `\x00`. Note: the version of the file format is not tied to the version of the numpy package.

The next 2 bytes form a little-endian unsigned short int: the length of the header data HEADER\_LEN.

The next HEADER\_LEN bytes form the header data describing the array’s format. It is an ASCII string which contains a Python literal expression of a dictionary. It is terminated by a newline (`\n`) and padded with spaces (`\x20`) to make the total of `len(magic_string) + 2 + len(length) + HEADER_LEN` be evenly divisible by 64 for alignment purposes.

The dictionary contains three keys:

### “descr”

[`dtype.descr`] An object that can be passed as an argument to the `numpy.dtype` constructor to create the array’s dtype.

### “fortran\_order”

[bool] Whether the array data is Fortran-contiguous or not. Since Fortran-contiguous arrays are a common form of non-C-contiguity, we allow them to be written directly to disk for efficiency.

### “shape”

[tuple of int] The shape of the array.

For repeatability and readability, the dictionary keys are sorted in alphabetic order. This is for convenience only. A writer SHOULD implement this if possible. A reader MUST NOT depend on this.

Following the header comes the array data. If the dtype contains Python objects (i.e. `dtype.hasobject` is `True`), then the data is a Python pickle of the array. Otherwise the data is the contiguous (either C- or Fortran-, depending on `fortran_order`) bytes of the array. Consumers can figure out the number of bytes by multiplying the number of elements given by the shape (noting that `shape=()` means there is 1 element) by `dtype.itemsize`.

## Format Version 2.0

The version 1.0 format only allowed the array header to have a total size of 65535 bytes. This can be exceeded by structured arrays with a large number of columns. The version 2.0 format extends the header size to 4 GiB. `numpy.save` will automatically save in 2.0 format if the data requires it, else it will always use the more compatible 1.0 format.

The description of the fourth element of the header therefore has become: “The next 4 bytes form a little-endian unsigned int: the length of the header data HEADER\_LEN.”

## Format Version 3.0

This version replaces the ASCII string (which in practice was latin1) with a utf8-encoded string, so supports structured types with any unicode field names.

## Notes

The .npy format, including motivation for creating it and a comparison of alternatives, is described in the “[npy-format](#)” NEP, however details have evolved with time and this document is more current.

## Functions

<code>descr_to_dtype(descr)</code>	Returns a dtype based off the given description.
<code>dtype_to_descr(dtype)</code>	Get a serializable descriptor from the dtype.
<code>header_data_from_array_1_0(array)</code>	Get the dictionary of header metadata from a numpy.ndarray.
<code>magic(major, minor)</code>	Return the magic string for the given file format version.
<code>open_memmap(filename[, mode, dtype, shape, ...])</code>	Open a .npy file as a memory-mapped array.
<code>read_array(fp[, allow_pickle, pickle_kwargs])</code>	Read an array from an NPY file.
<code>read_array_header_1_0(fp)</code>	Read an array header from a filelike object using the 1.0 file format version.
<code>read_array_header_2_0(fp)</code>	Read an array header from a filelike object using the 2.0 file format version.
<code>read_magic(fp)</code>	Read the magic string to get the version of the file format.
<code>write_array(fp, array[, version, ...])</code>	Write an array to an NPY file, including a header.
<code>write_array_header_1_0(fp, d)</code>	Write the header for an array using the 1.0 format.
<code>write_array_header_2_0(fp, d)</code>	Write the header for an array using the 2.0 format.

`lib.format.descr_to_dtype(descr)`

Returns a dtype based off the given description.

This is essentially the reverse of `dtype_to_descr()`. It will remove the valueless padding fields created by, i.e. simple fields like `dtype('float32')`, and then convert the description to its corresponding dtype.

**Parameters****descr**

[object] The object retrieved by `dtype.descr`. Can be passed to `numpy.dtype()` in order to replicate the input `dtype`.

**Returns****dtype**

[`dtype`] The `dtype` constructed by the description.

`lib.format.dtype_to_descr(dtype)`

Get a serializable descriptor from the `dtype`.

The `.descr` attribute of a `dtype` object cannot be round-tripped through the `dtype()` constructor. Simple types, like `dtype('float32')`, have a `descr` which looks like a record array with one field with “” as a name. The `dtype()` constructor interprets this as a request to give a default name. Instead, we construct descriptor that can be passed to `dtype()`.

**Parameters****dtype**

[`dtype`] The `dtype` of the array that will be written to disk.

**Returns****descr**

[object] An object that can be passed to `numpy.dtype()` in order to replicate the input `dtype`.

`lib.format.header_data_from_array_1_0(array)`

Get the dictionary of header metadata from a `numpy.ndarray`.

**Parameters****array**

[`numpy.ndarray`]

**Returns****d**

[dict] This has the appropriate entries for writing its string representation to the header of the file.

`lib.format.magic(major, minor)`

Return the magic string for the given file format version.

**Parameters****major**

[int in [0, 255]]

**minor**

[int in [0, 255]]

**Returns****magic**

[str]

**Raises****ValueError** if the version cannot be formatted.**lib.format.read\_array**(*fp*, *allow\_pickle=False*, *pickle\_kwarg=None*)

Read an array from an NPY file.

**Parameters****fp**

[file\_like object] If this is not a real file object, then this may take extra memory and time.

**allow\_pickle**

[bool, optional] Whether to allow writing pickled data. Default: False

Changed in version 1.16.3: Made default False in response to CVE-2019-6446.

**pickle\_kwarg**

[dict] Additional keyword arguments to pass to pickle.load. These are only useful when loading object arrays saved on Python 2 when using Python 3.

**Returns****array**

[ndarray] The array from the data on disk.

**Raises****ValueError**

If the data is invalid, or allow\_pickle=False and the file contains an object array.

**lib.format.read\_array\_header\_1\_0**(*fp*)

Read an array header from a filelike object using the 1.0 file format version.

This will leave the file object located just after the header.

**Parameters****fp**[filelike object] A file object or something with a *read()* method like a file.**Returns****shape**

[tuple of int] The shape of the array.

**fortran\_order**

[bool] The array data will be written out directly if it is either C-contiguous or Fortran-contiguous. Otherwise, it will be made contiguous before writing it out.

**dtype**

[dtype] The dtype of the file's data.

**Raises**

**ValueError**

If the data is invalid.

`lib.format.read_array_header_2_0(fp)`

Read an array header from a filelike object using the 2.0 file format version.

This will leave the file object located just after the header.

New in version 1.9.0.

**Parameters**

**fp**

[filelike object] A file object or something with a *read()* method like a file.

**Returns**

**shape**

[tuple of int] The shape of the array.

**fortran\_order**

[bool] The array data will be written out directly if it is either C-contiguous or Fortran-contiguous. Otherwise, it will be made contiguous before writing it out.

**dtype**

[dtype] The dtype of the file's data.

**Raises**

**ValueError**

If the data is invalid.

`lib.format.read_magic(fp)`

Read the magic string to get the version of the file format.

**Parameters**

**fp**

[filelike object]

**Returns**

**major**

[int]

**minor**

[int]

`lib.format.write_array(fp, array, version=None, allow_pickle=True, pickle_kwds=None)`

Write an array to an NPY file, including a header.

If the array is neither C-contiguous nor Fortran-contiguous AND the file\_like object is not a real file object, this function will have to copy data in memory.

### Parameters

**fp**

[file\_like object] An open, writable file object, or similar object with a `.write()` method.

**array**

[ndarray] The array to write to disk.

**version**

[(int, int) or None, optional] The version number of the format. None means use the oldest supported version that is able to store the data. Default: None

**allow\_pickle**

[bool, optional] Whether to allow writing pickled data. Default: True

**pickle\_kwds**

[dict, optional] Additional keyword arguments to pass to `pickle.dump`, excluding ‘protocol’. These are only useful when pickling objects in object arrays on Python 3 to Python 2 compatible format.

### Raises

#### **ValueError**

If the array cannot be persisted. This includes the case of `allow_pickle=False` and array being an object array.

#### **Various other errors**

If the array contains Python objects as part of its dtype, the process of pickling them may raise various errors if the objects are not picklable.

`lib.format.write_array_header_1_0(fp, d)`

Write the header for an array using the 1.0 format.

### Parameters

**fp**

[filelike object]

**d**

[dict] This has the appropriate entries for writing its string representation to the header of the file.

```
lib.format.write_array_header_2_0(fp, d)
```

**Write the header for an array using the 2.0 format.**

The 2.0 format allows storing very large structured arrays.

New in version 1.9.0.

#### Parameters

**fp**

[filelike object]

**d**

[dict] This has the appropriate entries for writing its string representation to the header of the file.

## 5.15 Linear algebra (numpy.linalg)

The NumPy linear algebra functions rely on BLAS and LAPACK to provide efficient low level implementations of standard linear algebra algorithms. Those libraries may be provided by NumPy itself using C versions of a subset of their reference implementations but, when possible, highly optimized libraries that take advantage of specialized processor functionality are preferred. Examples of such libraries are [OpenBLAS](#), MKL (TM), and ATLAS. Because those libraries are multithreaded and processor dependent, environmental variables and external packages such as [threadpoolctl](#) may be needed to control the number of threads or specify the processor architecture.

The SciPy library also contains a [linalg](#) submodule, and there is overlap in the functionality provided by the SciPy and NumPy submodules. SciPy contains functions not found in [numpy.linalg](#), such as functions related to LU decomposition and the Schur decomposition, multiple ways of calculating the pseudoinverse, and matrix transcendentals such as the matrix logarithm. Some functions that exist in both have augmented functionality in [scipy.linalg](#). For example, [scipy.linalg.eig](#) can take a second matrix argument for solving generalized eigenvalue problems. Some functions in NumPy, however, have more flexible broadcasting options. For example, [numpy.linalg.solve](#) can handle “stacked” arrays, while [scipy.linalg.solve](#) accepts only a single square array as its first argument.

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**Note:** The term *matrix* as it is used on this page indicates a 2d [numpy.array](#) object, and *not* a [numpy.matrix](#) object. The latter is no longer recommended, even for linear algebra. See [the matrix object documentation](#) for more information.

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### 5.15.1 The @ operator

Introduced in NumPy 1.10.0, the @ operator is preferable to other methods when computing the matrix product between 2d arrays. The [numpy.matmul](#) function implements the @ operator.

## 5.15.2 Matrix and vector products

<code>dot(a, b[, out])</code>	Dot product of two arrays.
<code>linalg.multi_dot(arrays, *[, out])</code>	Compute the dot product of two or more arrays in a single function call, while automatically selecting the fastest evaluation order.
<code>vdot(a, b, /)</code>	Return the dot product of two vectors.
<code>inner(a, b, /)</code>	Inner product of two arrays.
<code>outer(a, b[, out])</code>	Compute the outer product of two vectors.
<code>matmul(x1, x2, /[, out, casting, order, ...])</code>	Matrix product of two arrays.
<code>tensordot(a, b[, axes])</code>	Compute tensor dot product along specified axes.
<code>einsum(subscripts, *operands[, out, dtype, ...])</code>	Evaluates the Einstein summation convention on the operands.
<code>einsum_path(subscripts, *operands[, optimize])</code>	Evaluates the lowest cost contraction order for an einsum expression by considering the creation of intermediate arrays.
<code>linalg.matrix_power(a, n)</code>	Raise a square matrix to the (integer) power $n$ .
<code>kron(a, b)</code>	Kronecker product of two arrays.

`numpy.dot(a, b, out=None)`

Dot product of two arrays. Specifically,

- If both  $a$  and  $b$  are 1-D arrays, it is inner product of vectors (without complex conjugation).
- If both  $a$  and  $b$  are 2-D arrays, it is matrix multiplication, but using `matmul` or  $a @ b$  is preferred.
- If either  $a$  or  $b$  is 0-D (scalar), it is equivalent to `multiply` and using `numpy.multiply(a, b)` or  $a * b$  is preferred.
- If  $a$  is an N-D array and  $b$  is a 1-D array, it is a sum product over the last axis of  $a$  and  $b$ .
- If  $a$  is an N-D array and  $b$  is an M-D array (where  $M \geq 2$ ), it is a sum product over the last axis of  $a$  and the second-to-last axis of  $b$ :

```
dot(a, b)[i,j,k,m] = sum(a[i,j,:,:] * b[:,k,:,:,m])
```

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] First argument.

#### b

[array\_like] Second argument.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Output argument. This must have the exact kind that would be returned if it was not used. In particular, it must have the right type, must be C-contiguous, and its dtype must be the dtype that would be returned for `dot(a,b)`. This is a performance feature. Therefore, if these conditions are not met, an exception is raised, instead of attempting to be flexible.

### Returns

**output**

[ndarray] Returns the dot product of  $a$  and  $b$ . If  $a$  and  $b$  are both scalars or both 1-D arrays then a scalar is returned; otherwise an array is returned. If  $out$  is given, then it is returned.

**Raises****ValueError**

If the last dimension of  $a$  is not the same size as the second-to-last dimension of  $b$ .

**See also:****`vdot`**

Complex-conjugating dot product.

**`tensordot`**

Sum products over arbitrary axes.

**`einsum`**

Einstein summation convention.

**`matmul`**

'@' operator as method with `out` parameter.

**`linalg.multi_dot`**

Chained dot product.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.dot(3, 4)
12
```

Neither argument is complex-conjugated:

```
>>> np.dot([2j, 3j], [2j, 3j])
(-13+0j)
```

For 2-D arrays it is the matrix product:

```
>>> a = [[1, 0], [0, 1]]
>>> b = [[4, 1], [2, 2]]
>>> np.dot(a, b)
array([[4, 1],
       [2, 2]])
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(3*4*5*6).reshape((3, 4, 5, 6))
>>> b = np.arange(3*4*5*6)[::-1].reshape((5, 4, 6, 3))
>>> np.dot(a, b)[2, 3, 2, 1, 2, 2]
499128
>>> sum(a[2, 3, 2, :] * b[1, 2, :, 2])
499128
```

`linalg.multi_dot (arrays, *, out=None)`

Compute the dot product of two or more arrays in a single function call, while automatically selecting the fastest evaluation order.

`multi_dot` chains `numpy.dot` and uses optimal parenthesization of the matrices [1] [2]. Depending on the shapes of the matrices, this can speed up the multiplication a lot.

If the first argument is 1-D it is treated as a row vector. If the last argument is 1-D it is treated as a column vector. The other arguments must be 2-D.

Think of `multi_dot` as:

```
def multi_dot(arrays): return functools.reduce(np.dot, arrays)
```

## Parameters

### arrays

[sequence of array\_like] If the first argument is 1-D it is treated as row vector. If the last argument is 1-D it is treated as column vector. The other arguments must be 2-D.

### out

[ndarray, optional] Output argument. This must have the exact kind that would be returned if it was not used. In particular, it must have the right type, must be C-contiguous, and its dtype must be the dtype that would be returned for `dot(a, b)`. This is a performance feature. Therefore, if these conditions are not met, an exception is raised, instead of attempting to be flexible.

New in version 1.19.0.

## Returns

### output

[ndarray] Returns the dot product of the supplied arrays.

## See also:

### `numpy.dot`

dot multiplication with two arguments.

## Notes

The cost for a matrix multiplication can be calculated with the following function:

```
def cost(A, B):
    return A.shape[0] * A.shape[1] * B.shape[1]
```

Assume we have three matrices  $A_{10 \times 100}$ ,  $B_{100 \times 5}$ ,  $C_{5 \times 50}$ .

The costs for the two different parenthesizations are as follows:

<code>cost ((AB)C) = 10*100*5 + 10*5*50 = 5000 + 2500 = 7500</code>
<code>cost (A(BC)) = 10*100*50 + 100*5*50 = 50000 + 25000 = 75000</code>

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

`multi_dot` allows you to write:

```
>>> from numpy.linalg import multi_dot
>>> # Prepare some data
>>> A = np.random.random((10000, 100))
>>> B = np.random.random((100, 1000))
>>> C = np.random.random((1000, 5))
>>> D = np.random.random((5, 333))
>>> # the actual dot multiplication
>>> _ = multi_dot([A, B, C, D])
```

instead of:

```
>>> _ = np.dot(np.dot(np.dot(A, B), C), D)
>>> # or
>>> _ = A.dot(B).dot(C).dot(D)
```

`numpy.vdot(a, b, /)`

Return the dot product of two vectors.

The `vdot(a, b)` function handles complex numbers differently than `dot(a, b)`. If the first argument is complex the complex conjugate of the first argument is used for the calculation of the dot product.

Note that `vdot` handles multidimensional arrays differently than `dot`: it does *not* perform a matrix product, but flattens input arguments to 1-D vectors first. Consequently, it should only be used for vectors.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] If *a* is complex the complex conjugate is taken before calculation of the dot product.

#### b

[array\_like] Second argument to the dot product.

### Returns

#### output

[ndarray] Dot product of *a* and *b*. Can be an int, float, or complex depending on the types of *a* and *b*.

### See also:

#### `dot`

Return the dot product without using the complex conjugate of the first argument.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1+2j, 3+4j])
>>> b = np.array([5+6j, 7+8j])
>>> np.vdot(a, b)
(70-8j)
>>> np.vdot(b, a)
(70+8j)
```

Note that higher-dimensional arrays are flattened!

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 4], [5, 6]])
>>> b = np.array([[4, 1], [2, 2]])
>>> np.vdot(a, b)
30
>>> np.vdot(b, a)
30
>>> 1*4 + 4*1 + 5*2 + 6*2
30
```

`numpy.inner(a, b, /)`

Inner product of two arrays.

Ordinary inner product of vectors for 1-D arrays (without complex conjugation), in higher dimensions a sum product over the last axes.

### Parameters

**a, b**

[array\_like] If *a* and *b* are nonscalar, their last dimensions must match.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] If *a* and *b* are both scalars or both 1-D arrays then a scalar is returned; otherwise an array is returned. `out.shape = (*a.shape[:-1], *b.shape[:-1])`

### Raises

**ValueError**

If both *a* and *b* are nonscalar and their last dimensions have different sizes.

### See also:

[`tensordot`](#)

Sum products over arbitrary axes.

[`dot`](#)

Generalised matrix product, using second last dimension of *b*.

[`einsum`](#)

Einstein summation convention.

## Notes

For vectors (1-D arrays) it computes the ordinary inner-product:

```
np.inner(a, b) = sum(a[:] * b[:])
```

More generally, if  $ndim(a) = r > 0$  and  $ndim(b) = s > 0$ :

```
np.inner(a, b) = np.tensordot(a, b, axes=(-1, -1))
```

or explicitly:

```
np.inner(a, b)[i0, ..., ir-2, j0, ..., js-2]
= sum(a[i0, ..., ir-2, :] * b[j0, ..., js-2, :])
```

In addition  $a$  or  $b$  may be scalars, in which case:

```
np.inner(a, b) = a*b
```

## Examples

Ordinary inner product for vectors:

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> b = np.array([0, 1, 0])
>>> np.inner(a, b)
2
```

Some multidimensional examples:

```
>>> a = np.arange(24).reshape((2, 3, 4))
>>> b = np.arange(4)
>>> c = np.inner(a, b)
>>> c.shape
(2, 3)
>>> c
array([[ 14,   38,   62],
       [ 86,  110,  134]])
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(2).reshape((1, 1, 2))
>>> b = np.arange(6).reshape((3, 2))
>>> c = np.inner(a, b)
>>> c.shape
(1, 1, 3)
>>> c
array([[[1, 3, 5]]])
```

An example where  $b$  is a scalar:

```
>>> np.inner(np.eye(2), 7)
array([[7.,  0.],
       [0.,  7.]])
```

`numpy.outer(a, b, out=None)`

Compute the outer product of two vectors.

Given two vectors,  $a = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_M]$  and  $b = [b_0, b_1, \dots, b_N]$ , the outer product [1] is:

```
[ [a0*b0  a0*b1 ... a0*bN ]
[ a1*b0      .
[ ...
[ aM*b0          aM*bN ] ]
```

**Parameters****a**

[(M,) array\_like] First input vector. Input is flattened if not already 1-dimensional.

**b**

[(N,) array\_like] Second input vector. Input is flattened if not already 1-dimensional.

**out**

[(M, N) ndarray, optional] A location where the result is stored

New in version 1.9.0.

**Returns****out**

[(M, N) ndarray]  $\text{out}[i, j] = \text{a}[i] * \text{b}[j]$

**See also:**

[\*\*inner\*\*](#)

[\*\*einsum\*\*](#)

`einsum('i,j->ij', a.ravel(), b.ravel())` is the equivalent.

[\*\*ufunc.outer\*\*](#)

A generalization to dimensions other than 1D and other operations. `np.multiply.outer(a.ravel(), b.ravel())` is the equivalent.

[\*\*tensordot\*\*](#)

`np.tensordot(a.ravel(), b.ravel(), axes=(((), ()))` is the equivalent.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

Make a (*very* coarse) grid for computing a Mandelbrot set:

```
>>> r1 = np.outer(np.ones((5,)), np.linspace(-2, 2, 5))
>>> r1
array([[-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
       [-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.],
```

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[-2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  2.])
>>> im = np.outer(1j*np.linspace(2, -2, 5), np.ones((5,)))
>>> im
array([[0.+2.j, 0.+2.j, 0.+2.j, 0.+2.j, 0.+2.j],
       [0.+1.j, 0.+1.j, 0.+1.j, 0.+1.j, 0.+1.j],
       [0.+0.j, 0.+0.j, 0.+0.j, 0.+0.j, 0.+0.j],
       [0.-1.j, 0.-1.j, 0.-1.j, 0.-1.j, 0.-1.j],
       [0.-2.j, 0.-2.j, 0.-2.j, 0.-2.j, 0.-2.j]])
>>> grid = rl + im
>>> grid
array([[-2.+2.j, -1.+2.j,  0.+2.j,  1.+2.j,  2.+2.j],
       [-2.+1.j, -1.+1.j,  0.+1.j,  1.+1.j,  2.+1.j],
       [-2.+0.j, -1.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  1.+0.j,  2.+0.j],
       [-2.-1.j, -1.-1.j,  0.-1.j,  1.-1.j,  2.-1.j],
       [-2.-2.j, -1.-2.j,  0.-2.j,  1.-2.j,  2.-2.j]])

```

An example using a “vector” of letters:

```

>>> x = np.array(['a', 'b', 'c'], dtype=object)
>>> np.outer(x, [1, 2, 3])
array([['a', 'aa', 'aaa'],
       ['b', 'bb', 'bbb'],
       ['c', 'cc', 'ccc']], dtype=object)

```

`numpy.matmul`(*x1*, *x2*, /, *out*=None, \*, *casting*=’same\_kind’, *order*=’K’, *dtype*=None, *subok*=True[, *signature*, *extobj*, *axes*, *axis*]) = <ufunc ‘matmul’>

Matrix product of two arrays.

### Parameters

#### `x1, x2`

[array\_like] Input arrays, scalars not allowed.

#### `out`

[ndarray, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that matches the signature  $(n,k),(k,m) \rightarrow (n,m)$ . If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned.

#### `**kwargs`

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

New in version 1.16: Now handles ufunc kwargs

### Returns

#### `y`

[ndarray] The matrix product of the inputs. This is a scalar only when both *x1*, *x2* are 1-d vectors.

### Raises

#### `ValueError`

If the last dimension of *x1* is not the same size as the second-to-last dimension of *x2*.

If a scalar value is passed in.

**See also:**

**`vdot`**

Complex-conjugating dot product.

**`tensordot`**

Sum products over arbitrary axes.

**`einsum`**

Einstein summation convention.

**`dot`**

alternative matrix product with different broadcasting rules.

## Notes

The behavior depends on the arguments in the following way.

- If both arguments are 2-D they are multiplied like conventional matrices.
- If either argument is N-D,  $N > 2$ , it is treated as a stack of matrices residing in the last two indexes and broadcast accordingly.
- If the first argument is 1-D, it is promoted to a matrix by prepending a 1 to its dimensions. After matrix multiplication the prepended 1 is removed.
- If the second argument is 1-D, it is promoted to a matrix by appending a 1 to its dimensions. After matrix multiplication the appended 1 is removed.

`matmul` differs from `dot` in two important ways:

- Multiplication by scalars is not allowed, use `*` instead.
- Stacks of matrices are broadcast together as if the matrices were elements, respecting the signature  $(n, k), (k, m) \rightarrow (n, m)$ :

```
>>> a = np.ones([9, 5, 7, 4])
>>> c = np.ones([9, 5, 4, 3])
>>> np.dot(a, c).shape
(9, 5, 7, 9, 5, 3)
>>> np.matmul(a, c).shape
(9, 5, 7, 3)
>>> # n is 7, k is 4, m is 3
```

The `matmul` function implements the semantics of the `@` operator introduced in Python 3.5 following [PEP 465](#).

## Examples

For 2-D arrays it is the matrix product:

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 0],
...                 [0, 1]])
>>> b = np.array([[4, 1],
...                 [2, 2]])
>>> np.matmul(a, b)
array([[4, 1],
       [2, 2]])
```

For 2-D mixed with 1-D, the result is the usual.

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 0],
...                 [0, 1]])
>>> b = np.array([1, 2])
>>> np.matmul(a, b)
array([1, 2])
>>> np.matmul(b, a)
array([1, 2])
```

Broadcasting is conventional for stacks of arrays

```
>>> a = np.arange(2 * 2 * 4).reshape((2, 2, 4))
>>> b = np.arange(2 * 2 * 4).reshape((2, 4, 2))
>>> np.matmul(a, b).shape
(2, 2, 2)
>>> np.matmul(a, b)[0, 1, 1]
98
>>> sum(a[0, 1, :] * b[0, :, 1])
98
```

Vector, vector returns the scalar inner product, but neither argument is complex-conjugated:

```
>>> np.matmul([2j, 3j], [2j, 3j])
(-13+0j)
```

Scalar multiplication raises an error.

```
>>> np.matmul([1, 2], 3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: matmul: Input operand 1 does not have enough dimensions ...
```

The @ operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.matmul` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.array([2j, 3j])
>>> x2 = np.array([2j, 3j])
>>> x1 @ x2
(-13+0j)
```

New in version 1.10.0.

`numpy.tensordot(a, b, axes=2)`

Compute tensor dot product along specified axes.

Given two tensors, *a* and *b*, and an array\_like object containing two array\_like objects, (*a\_axes*, *b\_axes*), sum the products of *a*'s and *b*'s elements (components) over the axes specified by *a\_axes* and *b\_axes*. The third

argument can be a single non-negative integer\_like scalar, N; if it is such, then the last N dimensions of *a* and the first N dimensions of *b* are summed over.

### Parameters

#### **a, b**

[array\_like] Tensors to “dot”.

#### **axes**

[int or (2,) array\_like]

- integer\_like If an int N, sum over the last N axes of *a* and the first N axes of *b* in order. The sizes of the corresponding axes must match.
- (2,) array\_like Or, a list of axes to be summed over, first sequence applying to *a*, second to *b*. Both elements array\_like must be of the same length.

### Returns

#### **output**

[ndarray] The tensor dot product of the input.

See also:

[dot](#), [einsum](#)

### Notes

Three common use cases are:

- axes = 0 : tensor product  $a \otimes b$
- axes = 1 : tensor dot product  $a \cdot b$
- axes = 2 : (default) tensor double contraction  $a : b$

When *axes* is integer\_like, the sequence for evaluation will be: first the -Nth axis in *a* and 0th axis in *b*, and the -1th axis in *a* and Nth axis in *b* last.

When there is more than one axis to sum over - and they are not the last (first) axes of *a* (*b*) - the argument *axes* should consist of two sequences of the same length, with the first axis to sum over given first in both sequences, the second axis second, and so forth.

The shape of the result consists of the non-contracted axes of the first tensor, followed by the non-contracted axes of the second.

## Examples

A “traditional” example:

```
>>> a = np.arange(60.).reshape(3,4,5)
>>> b = np.arange(24.).reshape(4,3,2)
>>> c = np.tensordot(a,b, axes=([1,0],[0,1]))
>>> c.shape
(5, 2)
>>> c
array([[4400., 4730.],
       [4532., 4874.],
       [4664., 5018.],
       [4796., 5162.],
       [4928., 5306.]])
>>> # A slower but equivalent way of computing the same...
>>> d = np.zeros((5,2))
>>> for i in range(5):
...     for j in range(2):
...         for k in range(3):
...             for n in range(4):
...                 d[i,j] += a[k,n,i] * b[n,k,j]
>>> c == d
array([[ True,  True],
       [ True,  True],
       [ True,  True],
       [ True,  True],
       [ True,  True]])
```

An extended example taking advantage of the overloading of + and \*:

```
>>> a = np.array(range(1, 9))
>>> a.shape = (2, 2, 2)
>>> A = np.array(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'), dtype=object)
>>> A.shape = (2, 2)
>>> a, A
array([[[1, 2],
       [3, 4]],
      [[5, 6],
       [7, 8]]])
array([[['a', 'b'],
       ['c', 'd']], dtype=object)
```

```
>>> np.tensordot(a, A) # third argument default is 2 for double-contraction
array(['abbccddd', 'aaaaabbbbbcccccccddddd'], dtype=object)
```

```
>>> np.tensordot(a, A, 1)
array([[['acc', 'bdd'],
        ['aaacccc', 'bbbddd']],
       [['aaaaacccccc', 'bbbbbddddd'],
        ['aaaaaaaaacccccc', 'bbbbbbbddddddd']]], dtype=object)
```

```
>>> np.tensordot(a, A, 0) # tensor product (result too long to incl.)
array([[[['a', 'b'],
        ['c', 'd']],
       ...]
```

```
>>> np.tensordot(a, A, (0, 1))
array([[[ 'abbbb', 'cdddd'],
       ['aabbbbb', 'ccddddd'],
       [['aaabbbbbb', 'ccccddddd'],
        ['aaaabbbbbb', 'ccccddddd']]], dtype=object)
```

```
>>> np.tensordot(a, A, (2, 1))
array([[[ 'abb', 'cdd'],
       ['aaabbbb', 'cccdyyy'],
       [['aaaaabbbbbb', 'cccccdyyyy'],
        ['aaaaaaaaabbbbbb', 'cccccccdyyyy']]], dtype=object)
```

```
>>> np.tensordot(a, A, ((0, 1), (0, 1)))
array(['abbbcccccddddd', 'aabbcccccddddd'], dtype=object)
```

```
>>> np.tensordot(a, A, ((2, 1), (1, 0)))
array(['accbbddd', 'aaaaaccccccbbbbbddd'], dtype=object)
```

`numpy.einsum(subscripts, *operands, out=None, dtype=None, order='K', casting='safe', optimize=False)`

Evaluates the Einstein summation convention on the operands.

Using the Einstein summation convention, many common multi-dimensional, linear algebraic array operations can be represented in a simple fashion. In *implicit* mode `einsum` computes these values.

In *explicit* mode, `einsum` provides further flexibility to compute other array operations that might not be considered classical Einstein summation operations, by disabling, or forcing summation over specified subscript labels.

See the notes and examples for clarification.

## Parameters

### subscripts

[str] Specifies the subscripts for summation as comma separated list of subscript labels. An implicit (classical Einstein summation) calculation is performed unless the explicit indicator '`->`' is included as well as subscript labels of the precise output form.

### operands

[list of array\_like] These are the arrays for the operation.

### out

[ndarray, optional] If provided, the calculation is done into this array.

### dtype

[{data-type, None}, optional] If provided, forces the calculation to use the data type specified. Note that you may have to also give a more liberal `casting` parameter to allow the conversions. Default is None.

### order

[{'C', 'F', 'A', 'K'}, optional] Controls the memory layout of the output. 'C' means it should be C contiguous. 'F' means it should be Fortran contiguous, 'A' means it should be 'F' if the inputs are all 'F', 'C' otherwise. 'K' means it should be as close to the layout as the inputs as is possible, including arbitrarily permuted axes. Default is 'K'.

### casting

[{‘no’, ‘equiv’, ‘safe’, ‘same\_kind’, ‘unsafe’}, optional] Controls what kind of data casting may occur. Setting this to ‘unsafe’ is not recommended, as it can adversely affect accumulations.

- ‘no’ means the data types should not be cast at all.
- ‘equiv’ means only byte-order changes are allowed.
- ‘safe’ means only casts which can preserve values are allowed.
- ‘same\_kind’ means only safe casts or casts within a kind, like float64 to float32, are allowed.
- ‘unsafe’ means any data conversions may be done.

Default is ‘safe’.

#### optimize

[{False, True, ‘greedy’, ‘optimal’}, optional] Controls if intermediate optimization should occur. No optimization will occur if False and True will default to the ‘greedy’ algorithm. Also accepts an explicit contraction list from the `np.einsum_path` function. See `np.einsum_path` for more details. Defaults to False.

#### Returns

#### output

[ndarray] The calculation based on the Einstein summation convention.

See also:

[`einsum\_path`](#), [`dot`](#), [`inner`](#), [`outer`](#), [`tensordot`](#), [`linalg.multi\_dot`](#)

[`einops`](#)

similar verbose interface is provided by `einops` package to cover additional operations: transpose, reshape/flatten, repeat/tile, squeeze/unsqueeze and reductions.

[`opt\_einsum`](#)

`opt_einsum` optimizes contraction order for einsum-like expressions in backend-agnostic manner.

#### Notes

New in version 1.6.0.

The Einstein summation convention can be used to compute many multi-dimensional, linear algebraic array operations. `einsum` provides a succinct way of representing these.

A non-exhaustive list of these operations, which can be computed by `einsum`, is shown below along with examples:

- Trace of an array, [`numpy.trace`](#).
- Return a diagonal, [`numpy.diag`](#).
- Array axis summations, [`numpy.sum`](#).
- Transpositions and permutations, [`numpy.transpose`](#).
- Matrix multiplication and dot product, [`numpy.matmul`](#) [`numpy.dot`](#).
- Vector inner and outer products, [`numpy.inner`](#) [`numpy.outer`](#).
- Broadcasting, element-wise and scalar multiplication, [`numpy.multiply`](#).
- Tensor contractions, [`numpy.tensordot`](#).

- Chained array operations, in efficient calculation order, `numpy.einsum_path`.

The subscripts string is a comma-separated list of subscript labels, where each label refers to a dimension of the corresponding operand. Whenever a label is repeated it is summed, so `np.einsum('i,i', a, b)` is equivalent to `np.inner(a, b)`. If a label appears only once, it is not summed, so `np.einsum('i', a)` produces a view of `a` with no changes. A further example `np.einsum('ij,jk', a, b)` describes traditional matrix multiplication and is equivalent to `np.matmul(a, b)`. Repeated subscript labels in one operand take the diagonal. For example, `np.einsum('ii', a)` is equivalent to `np.trace(a)`.

In *implicit mode*, the chosen subscripts are important since the axes of the output are reordered alphabetically. This means that `np.einsum('ij', a)` doesn't affect a 2D array, while `np.einsum('ji', a)` takes its transpose. Additionally, `np.einsum('ij,jk', a, b)` returns a matrix multiplication, while, `np.einsum('ij,jh', a, b)` returns the transpose of the multiplication since subscript 'h' precedes subscript 'j'.

In *explicit mode* the output can be directly controlled by specifying output subscript labels. This requires the identifier '`->`' as well as the list of output subscript labels. This feature increases the flexibility of the function since summing can be disabled or forced when required. The call `np.einsum('i->', a)` is like `np.sum(a, axis=-1)`, and `np.einsum('ii->i', a)` is like `np.diag(a)`. The difference is that `einsum` does not allow broadcasting by default. Additionally `np.einsum('ij,jh->ih', a, b)` directly specifies the order of the output subscript labels and therefore returns matrix multiplication, unlike the example above in implicit mode.

To enable and control broadcasting, use an ellipsis. Default NumPy-style broadcasting is done by adding an ellipsis to the left of each term, like `np.einsum('...ii->...i', a)`. To take the trace along the first and last axes, you can do `np.einsum('i...i', a)`, or to do a matrix-matrix product with the left-most indices instead of rightmost, one can do `np.einsum('ij...,jk...->ik...', a, b)`.

When there is only one operand, no axes are summed, and no output parameter is provided, a view into the operand is returned instead of a new array. Thus, taking the diagonal as `np.einsum('ii->i', a)` produces a view (changed in version 1.10.0).

`einsum` also provides an alternative way to provide the subscripts and operands as `einsum(op0, sublist0, op1, sublist1, ..., [sublistout])`. If the output shape is not provided in this format `einsum` will be calculated in implicit mode, otherwise it will be performed explicitly. The examples below have corresponding `einsum` calls with the two parameter methods.

New in version 1.10.0.

Views returned from `einsum` are now writeable whenever the input array is writeable. For example, `np.einsum('ijk...->kji...', a)` will now have the same effect as `np.swapaxes(a, 0, 2)` and `np.einsum('ii->i', a)` will return a writeable view of the diagonal of a 2D array.

New in version 1.12.0.

Added the `optimize` argument which will optimize the contraction order of an `einsum` expression. For a contraction with three or more operands this can greatly increase the computational efficiency at the cost of a larger memory footprint during computation.

Typically a 'greedy' algorithm is applied which empirical tests have shown returns the optimal path in the majority of cases. In some cases 'optimal' will return the superlative path through a more expensive, exhaustive search. For iterative calculations it may be advisable to calculate the optimal path once and reuse that path by supplying it as an argument. An example is given below.

See `numpy.einsum_path` for more details.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(25).reshape(5,5)
>>> b = np.arange(5)
>>> c = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
```

Trace of a matrix:

```
>>> np.einsum('ii', a)
60
>>> np.einsum(a, [0,0])
60
>>> np.trace(a)
60
```

Extract the diagonal (requires explicit form):

```
>>> np.einsum('ii->i', a)
array([ 0,  6, 12, 18, 24])
>>> np.einsum(a, [0,0], [0])
array([ 0,  6, 12, 18, 24])
>>> np.diag(a)
array([ 0,  6, 12, 18, 24])
```

Sum over an axis (requires explicit form):

```
>>> np.einsum('ij->i', a)
array([ 10,  35,  60,  85, 110])
>>> np.einsum(a, [0,1], [0])
array([ 10,  35,  60,  85, 110])
>>> np.sum(a, axis=1)
array([ 10,  35,  60,  85, 110])
```

For higher dimensional arrays summing a single axis can be done with ellipsis:

```
>>> np.einsum('...j->...', a)
array([ 10,  35,  60,  85, 110])
>>> np.einsum(a, [Ellipsis,1], [Ellipsis])
array([ 10,  35,  60,  85, 110])
```

Compute a matrix transpose, or reorder any number of axes:

```
>>> np.einsum('ji', c)
array([[0, 3],
       [1, 4],
       [2, 5]])
>>> np.einsum('ij->ji', c)
array([[0, 3],
       [1, 4],
       [2, 5]])
>>> np.einsum(c, [1,0])
array([[0, 3],
       [1, 4],
       [2, 5]])
>>> np.transpose(c)
array([[0, 3],
       [1, 4],
       [2, 5]])
```

Vector inner products:

```
>>> np.einsum('i,i', b, b)
30
>>> np.einsum(b, [0], b, [0])
30
>>> np.inner(b,b)
30
```

Matrix vector multiplication:

```
>>> np.einsum('ij,j', a, b)
array([ 30,  80, 130, 180, 230])
>>> np.einsum(a, [0,1], b, [1])
array([ 30,  80, 130, 180, 230])
>>> np.dot(a, b)
array([ 30,  80, 130, 180, 230])
>>> np.einsum('...j,j', a, b)
array([ 30,  80, 130, 180, 230])
```

Broadcasting and scalar multiplication:

```
>>> np.einsum('..., ...', 3, c)
array([[ 0,  3,  6],
       [ 9, 12, 15]])
>>> np.einsum(',ij', 3, c)
array([[ 0,  3,  6],
       [ 9, 12, 15]])
>>> np.einsum(3, [Ellipsis], c, [Ellipsis])
array([[ 0,  3,  6],
       [ 9, 12, 15]])
>>> np.multiply(3, c)
array([[ 0,  3,  6],
       [ 9, 12, 15]])
```

Vector outer product:

```
>>> np.einsum('i,j', np.arange(2)+1, b)
array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]])
>>> np.einsum(np.arange(2)+1, [0], b, [1])
array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]])
>>> np.outer(np.arange(2)+1, b)
array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
       [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]])
```

Tensor contraction:

```
>>> a = np.arange(60.).reshape(3,4,5)
>>> b = np.arange(24.).reshape(4,3,2)
>>> np.einsum('ijk,jil->k1', a, b)
array([[4400., 4730.],
       [4532., 4874.],
       [4664., 5018.],
       [4796., 5162.],
       [4928., 5306.]])
>>> np.einsum(a, [0,1,2], b, [1,0,3], [2,3])
```

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```
array([[4400., 4730.],
       [4532., 4874.],
       [4664., 5018.],
       [4796., 5162.],
       [4928., 5306.]])
>>> np.tensordot(a,b, axes=([1,0],[0,1]))
array([[4400., 4730.],
       [4532., 4874.],
       [4664., 5018.],
       [4796., 5162.],
       [4928., 5306.]])
```

Writable returned arrays (since version 1.10.0):

```
>>> a = np.zeros((3, 3))
>>> np.einsum('ii->i', a)[:] = 1
>>> a
array([[1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 1.]])
```

Example of ellipsis use:

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape((3,2))
>>> b = np.arange(12).reshape((4,3))
>>> np.einsum('ki,jk->ij', a, b)
array([[10, 28, 46, 64],
       [13, 40, 67, 94]])
>>> np.einsum('ki,...k->i...', a, b)
array([[10, 28, 46, 64],
       [13, 40, 67, 94]])
>>> np.einsum('k...,jk', a, b)
array([[10, 28, 46, 64],
       [13, 40, 67, 94]])
```

Chained array operations. For more complicated contractions, speed ups might be achieved by repeatedly computing a ‘greedy’ path or pre-computing the ‘optimal’ path and repeatedly applying it, using an `einsum_path` insertion (since version 1.12.0). Performance improvements can be particularly significant with larger arrays:

```
>>> a = np.ones(64).reshape(2,4,8)
```

Basic `einsum`: ~1520ms (benchmarked on 3.1GHz Intel i5.)

```
>>> for iteration in range(500):
...     _ = np.einsum('ijk,ilm,njm,nlk,abc->', a, a, a, a, a)
```

Sub-optimal `einsum` (due to repeated path calculation time): ~330ms

```
>>> for iteration in range(500):
...     _ = np.einsum('ijk,ilm,njm,nlk,abc->', a, a, a, a, a, optimize='optimal')
```

Greedy `einsum` (faster optimal path approximation): ~160ms

```
>>> for iteration in range(500):
...     _ = np.einsum('ijk,ilm,njm,nlk,abc->', a, a, a, a, a, optimize='greedy')
```

Optimal `einsum` (best usage pattern in some use cases): ~110ms

```
>>> path = np.einsum_path('ijk,ilm,njm,nlk,abc->', a,a,a,a,a, optimize='optimal
   ') [0]
>>> for iteration in range(500):
...     _ = np.einsum('ijk,ilm,njm,nlk,abc->', a,a,a,a,a, optimize=path)
```

`numpy.einsum_path(subscripts, *operands, optimize='greedy')`

Evaluates the lowest cost contraction order for an einsum expression by considering the creation of intermediate arrays.

### Parameters

#### subscripts

[str] Specifies the subscripts for summation.

#### \*operands

[list of array\_like] These are the arrays for the operation.

#### optimize

[{bool, list, tuple, ‘greedy’, ‘optimal’}] Choose the type of path. If a tuple is provided, the second argument is assumed to be the maximum intermediate size created. If only a single argument is provided the largest input or output array size is used as a maximum intermediate size.

- if a list is given that starts with `einsum_path`, uses this as the contraction path
- if False no optimization is taken
- if True defaults to the ‘greedy’ algorithm
- ‘optimal’ An algorithm that combinatorially explores all possible ways of contracting the listed tensors and choosest the least costly path. Scales exponentially with the number of terms in the contraction.
- ‘greedy’ An algorithm that chooses the best pair contraction at each step. Effectively, this algorithm searches the largest inner, Hadamard, and then outer products at each step. Scales cubically with the number of terms in the contraction. Equivalent to the ‘optimal’ path for most contractions.

Default is ‘greedy’.

### Returns

#### path

[list of tuples] A list representation of the einsum path.

#### string\_repr

[str] A printable representation of the einsum path.

### See also:

`einsum`, `linalg.multi_dot`

## Notes

The resulting path indicates which terms of the input contraction should be contracted first, the result of this contraction is then appended to the end of the contraction list. This list can then be iterated over until all intermediate contractions are complete.

## Examples

We can begin with a chain dot example. In this case, it is optimal to contract the  $b$  and  $c$  tensors first as represented by the first element of the path  $(1, 2)$ . The resulting tensor is added to the end of the contraction and the remaining contraction  $(0, 1)$  is then completed.

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> a = np.random.rand(2, 2)
>>> b = np.random.rand(2, 5)
>>> c = np.random.rand(5, 2)
>>> path_info = np.einsum_path('ij,jk,kl->il', a, b, c, optimize='greedy')
>>> print(path_info[0])
['einsum_path', (1, 2), (0, 1)]
>>> print(path_info[1])
  Complete contraction: ij,jk,kl->il # may vary
    Naive scaling: 4
    Optimized scaling: 3
      Naive FLOP count: 1.600e+02
      Optimized FLOP count: 5.600e+01
      Theoretical speedup: 2.857
      Largest intermediate: 4.000e+00 elements
-----
scaling           current           remaining
-----
3                 kl,jk->jl          ij,jl->il
3                 jl,ij->il          il->il
```

A more complex index transformation example.

```
>>> I = np.random.rand(10, 10, 10, 10)
>>> C = np.random.rand(10, 10)
>>> path_info = np.einsum_path('ea,fb,abcd,gc,hd->efgh', C, C, I, C, C,
...                               optimize='greedy')
```

```
>>> print(path_info[0])
['einsum_path', (0, 2), (0, 3), (0, 2), (0, 1)]
>>> print(path_info[1])
  Complete contraction: ea,fb,abcd,gc,hd->efgh # may vary
    Naive scaling: 8
    Optimized scaling: 5
      Naive FLOP count: 8.000e+08
      Optimized FLOP count: 8.000e+05
      Theoretical speedup: 1000.000
      Largest intermediate: 1.000e+04 elements
-----
scaling           current           remaining
-----
5                 abcd,ea->bcde          fb,gc,hd,bcde->efgh
5                 bcde,fb->cdef          gc,hd,cdef->efgh
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5	cdef, gc->defg	hd, defg->efgh
5	defg, hd->efgh	efgh->efgh

**linalg.matrix\_power (a, n)**

Raise a square matrix to the (integer) power  $n$ .

For positive integers  $n$ , the power is computed by repeated matrix squarings and matrix multiplications. If  $n == 0$ , the identity matrix of the same shape as  $M$  is returned. If  $n < 0$ , the inverse is computed and then raised to the  $\text{abs}(n)$ .

**Note:** Stacks of object matrices are not currently supported.

**Parameters****a**

[(..., M, M) array\_like] Matrix to be “powered”.

**n**

[int] The exponent can be any integer or long integer, positive, negative, or zero.

**Returns****a\*\*n**

[(..., M, M) ndarray or matrix object] The return value is the same shape and type as  $M$ ; if the exponent is positive or zero then the type of the elements is the same as those of  $M$ . If the exponent is negative the elements are floating-point.

**Raises****LinAlgError**

For matrices that are not square or that (for negative powers) cannot be inverted numerically.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.linalg import matrix_power
>>> i = np.array([[0, 1], [-1, 0]]) # matrix equiv. of the imaginary unit
>>> matrix_power(i, 3) # should = -i
array([[ 0, -1],
       [ 1,  0]])
>>> matrix_power(i, 0)
array([[1, 0],
       [0, 1]])
>>> matrix_power(i, -3) # should = 1/(-i) = i, but w/ f.p. elements
array([[ 0.,  1.],
       [-1.,  0.]])
```

Somewhat more sophisticated example

```
>>> q = np.zeros((4, 4))
>>> q[0:2, 0:2] = -i
>>> q[2:4, 2:4] = i
>>> q # one of the three quaternion units not equal to 1
array([[ 0., -1.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 1.,  0.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  0.,  1.],
       [ 0.,  0., -1.,  0.]])
>>> matrix_power(q, 2) # = -np.eye(4)
array([[-1.,  0.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0., -1.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0., -1.,  0.],
       [ 0.,  0.,  0., -1.]])
```

`numpy.kron(a, b)`

Kronecker product of two arrays.

Computes the Kronecker product, a composite array made of blocks of the second array scaled by the first.

### Parameters

**a, b**

[array\_like]

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray]

**See also:**

**outer**

The outer product

### Notes

The function assumes that the number of dimensions of *a* and *b* are the same, if necessary prepending the smallest with ones. If *a.shape* = (*r*<sub>0</sub>, *r*<sub>1</sub>, ..., *r*<sub>N</sub>) and *b.shape* = (*s*<sub>0</sub>, *s*<sub>1</sub>, ..., *s*<sub>N</sub>), the Kronecker product has shape (*r*<sub>0</sub>\**s*<sub>0</sub>, *r*<sub>1</sub>\**s*<sub>1</sub>, ..., *r*<sub>N</sub>\**s*<sub>N</sub>). The elements are products of elements from *a* and *b*, organized explicitly by:

```
kron(a,b)[k0,k1,...,kN] = a[i0,i1,...,iN] * b[j0,j1,...,jN]
```

where:

```
kt = it * st + jt, t = 0, ..., N
```

In the common 2-D case (N=1), the block structure can be visualized:

```
[[ a[0,0]*b, a[0,1]*b, ... , a[0,-1]*b ],
 [ ...           ...   ],
 [ a[-1,0]*b, a[-1,1]*b, ... , a[-1,-1]*b ]]
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.kron([1,10,100], [5,6,7])
array([ 5,  6,  7, ..., 500, 600, 700])
>>> np.kron([5,6,7], [1,10,100])
array([ 5, 50, 500, ...,  7, 70, 700])
```

```
>>> np.kron(np.eye(2), np.ones((2,2)))
array([[1., 1., 0., 0.],
       [1., 1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 1., 1.],
       [0., 0., 1., 1.]])
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(100).reshape((2,5,2,5))
>>> b = np.arange(24).reshape((2,3,4))
>>> c = np.kron(a,b)
>>> c.shape
(2, 10, 6, 20)
>>> I = (1,3,0,2)
>>> J = (0,2,1)
>>> J1 = (0,) + J           # extend to ndim=4
>>> S1 = (1,) + b.shape
>>> K = tuple(np.array(I) * np.array(S1) + np.array(J1))
>>> c[K] == a[I]*b[J]
True
```

### 5.15.3 Decompositions

<code>linalg.cholesky(a)</code>	Cholesky decomposition.
<code>linalg.qr(a[, mode])</code>	Compute the qr factorization of a matrix.
<code>linalg.svd(a[, full_matrices, compute_uv, ...])</code>	Singular Value Decomposition.

#### `linalg.cholesky(a)`

Cholesky decomposition.

Return the Cholesky decomposition,  $L * L.H$ , of the square matrix  $a$ , where  $L$  is lower-triangular and  $.H$  is the conjugate transpose operator (which is the ordinary transpose if  $a$  is real-valued).  $a$  must be Hermitian (symmetric if real-valued) and positive-definite. No checking is performed to verify whether  $a$  is Hermitian or not. In addition, only the lower-triangular and diagonal elements of  $a$  are used. Only  $L$  is actually returned.

#### Parameters

##### `a`

[(..., M, M) array\_like] Hermitian (symmetric if all elements are real), positive-definite input matrix.

#### Returns

##### `L`

[(..., M, M) array\_like] Lower-triangular Cholesky factor of  $a$ . Returns a matrix object if  $a$  is a matrix object.

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If the decomposition fails, for example, if  $A$  is not positive-definite.

**See also:**

`scipy.linalg.cholesky`

Similar function in SciPy.

`scipy.linalg.cholesky_banded`

Cholesky decompose a banded Hermitian positive-definite matrix.

`scipy.linalg.cho_factor`

Cholesky decomposition of a matrix, to use in `scipy.linalg.cho_solve`.

**Notes**

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the `numpy.linalg` documentation for details.

The Cholesky decomposition is often used as a fast way of solving

$$Ax = \mathbf{b}$$

(when  $A$  is both Hermitian/symmetric and positive-definite).

First, we solve for  $\mathbf{y}$  in

$$Ly = \mathbf{b},$$

and then for  $\mathbf{x}$  in

$$L.H\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}.$$

**Examples**

```
>>> A = np.array([[1,-2j],[2j,5]])
>>> A
array([[ 1.+0.j, -0.-2.j],
       [ 0.+2.j,  5.+0.j]])
>>> L = np.linalg.cholesky(A)
>>> L
array([[ 1.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
       [ 0.+2.j,  1.+0.j]])
>>> np.dot(L, L.T.conj()) # verify that L * L.H = A
array([[ 1.+0.j,  0.-2.j],
       [ 0.+2.j,  5.+0.j]])
>>> A = [[1,-2j],[2j,5]] # what happens if A is only array_like?
>>> np.linalg.cholesky(A) # an ndarray object is returned
array([[ 1.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
       [ 0.+2.j,  1.+0.j]])
```

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```
>>> # But a matrix object is returned if A is a matrix object
>>> np.linalg.cholesky(np.matrix(A))
matrix([[ 1.+0.j,  0.+0.j],
       [ 0.+2.j,  1.+0.j]])
```

**linalg.qr(a, mode='reduced')**

Compute the qr factorization of a matrix.

Factor the matrix *a* as *qr*, where *q* is orthonormal and *r* is upper-triangular.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like, shape (... , M, N)] An array-like object with the dimensionality of at least 2.

**mode**

[{'reduced', 'complete', 'r', 'raw'}, optional] If K = min(M, N), then

- **'reduced'**

[returns q, r with dimensions] (... , M, K), (... , K, N) (default)

- 'complete' : returns q, r with dimensions (... , M, M), (... , M, N)
- 'r' : returns r only with dimensions (... , K, N)
- 'raw' : returns h, tau with dimensions (... , N, M), (... , K, )

The options 'reduced', 'complete', and 'raw' are new in numpy 1.8, see the notes for more information. The default is 'reduced', and to maintain backward compatibility with earlier versions of numpy both it and the old default 'full' can be omitted. Note that array *h* returned in 'raw' mode is transposed for calling Fortran. The 'economic' mode is deprecated. The modes 'full' and 'economic' may be passed using only the first letter for backwards compatibility, but all others must be spelled out. See the Notes for more explanation.

**Returns****q**

[ndarray of float or complex, optional] A matrix with orthonormal columns. When mode = 'complete' the result is an orthogonal/unitary matrix depending on whether or not *a* is real/complex. The determinant may be either +/- 1 in that case. In case the number of dimensions in the input array is greater than 2 then a stack of the matrices with above properties is returned.

**r**

[ndarray of float or complex, optional] The upper-triangular matrix or a stack of upper-triangular matrices if the number of dimensions in the input array is greater than 2.

**(h, tau)**

[ndarrays of np.double or np.cdouble, optional] The array *h* contains the Householder reflectors that generate *q* along with *r*. The *tau* array contains scaling factors for the reflectors. In the deprecated 'economic' mode only *h* is returned.

**Raises**

**LinAlgError**

If factoring fails.

**See also:****`scipy.linalg.qr`**

Similar function in SciPy.

**`scipy.linalg.rq`**

Compute RQ decomposition of a matrix.

**Notes**

This is an interface to the LAPACK routines dgeqrf, zgeqrf, dorgqr, and zungqr.

For more information on the qr factorization, see for example: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/QR\\_factorization](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/QR_factorization)

Subclasses of `ndarray` are preserved except for the ‘raw’ mode. So if `a` is of type `matrix`, all the return values will be matrices too.

New ‘reduced’, ‘complete’, and ‘raw’ options for mode were added in NumPy 1.8.0 and the old option ‘full’ was made an alias of ‘reduced’. In addition the options ‘full’ and ‘economic’ were deprecated. Because ‘full’ was the previous default and ‘reduced’ is the new default, backward compatibility can be maintained by letting `mode` default. The ‘raw’ option was added so that LAPACK routines that can multiply arrays by `q` using the Householder reflectors can be used. Note that in this case the returned arrays are of type `np.double` or `np.cdouble` and the `h` array is transposed to be FORTRAN compatible. No routines using the ‘raw’ return are currently exposed by `numpy`, but some are available in `lapack_lite` and just await the necessary work.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.random.randn(9, 6)
>>> q, r = np.linalg.qr(a)
>>> np.allclose(a, np.dot(q, r)) # a does equal qr
True
>>> r2 = np.linalg.qr(a, mode='r')
>>> np.allclose(r, r2) # mode='r' returns the same r as mode='full'
True
>>> a = np.random.normal(size=(3, 2, 2)) # Stack of 2 x 2 matrices as input
>>> q, r = np.linalg.qr(a)
>>> q.shape
(3, 2, 2)
>>> r.shape
(3, 2, 2)
>>> np.allclose(a, np.matmul(q, r))
True
```

Example illustrating a common use of `qr`: solving of least squares problems

What are the least-squares-best  $m$  and  $y_0$  in  $y = y_0 + mx$  for the following data:  $\{(0,1), (1,0), (1,2), (2,1)\}$ . (Graph the points and you’ll see that it should be  $y_0 = 0$ ,  $m = 1$ .) The answer is provided by solving the over-determined matrix equation  $Ax = b$ , where:

```
A = array([[0, 1], [1, 1], [1, 1], [2, 1]])
x = array([[y0], [m]])
b = array([[1], [0], [2], [1]])
```

If  $A = qr$  such that  $q$  is orthonormal (which is always possible via Gram-Schmidt), then  $x = \text{inv}(r) * (q.T) * b$ . (In numpy practice, however, we simply use `lstsq`.)

```
>>> A = np.array([[0, 1], [1, 1], [1, 1], [2, 1]])
>>> A
array([[0, 1],
       [1, 1],
       [1, 1],
       [2, 1]])
>>> b = np.array([1, 2, 2, 3])
>>> q, r = np.linalg.qr(A)
>>> p = np.dot(q.T, b)
>>> np.dot(np.linalg.inv(r), p)
array([-1.,  1.])
```

`linalg.svd(a, full_matrices=True, compute_uv=True, hermitian=False)`

Singular Value Decomposition.

When  $a$  is a 2D array, and `full_matrices=False`, then it is factorized as  $u @ \text{np.diag}(s) @ vh = (u * s) @ vh$ , where  $u$  and the Hermitian transpose of  $vh$  are 2D arrays with orthonormal columns and  $s$  is a 1D array of  $a$ 's singular values. When  $a$  is higher-dimensional, SVD is applied in stacked mode as explained below.

### Parameters

#### a

[..., M, N] array\_like A real or complex array with  $a.\text{ndim} \geq 2$ .

#### full\_matrices

[bool, optional] If True (default),  $u$  and  $vh$  have the shapes (... , M, M) and (... , N, N), respectively. Otherwise, the shapes are (... , M, K) and (... , K, N), respectively, where  $K = \min(M, N)$ .

#### compute\_uv

[bool, optional] Whether or not to compute  $u$  and  $vh$  in addition to  $s$ . True by default.

#### hermitian

[bool, optional] If True,  $a$  is assumed to be Hermitian (symmetric if real-valued), enabling a more efficient method for finding singular values. Defaults to False.

New in version 1.17.0.

### Returns

#### u

[{(..., M, M), (... , M, K)} array] Unitary array(s). The first  $a.\text{ndim} - 2$  dimensions have the same size as those of the input  $a$ . The size of the last two dimensions depends on the value of `full_matrices`. Only returned when `compute_uv` is True.

#### s

[(..., K) array] Vector(s) with the singular values, within each vector sorted in descending order. The first  $a.\text{ndim} - 2$  dimensions have the same size as those of the input  $a$ .

**vh**

[{(..., N, N), (... , K, N)} array] Unitary array(s). The first `a.ndim - 2` dimensions have the same size as those of the input `a`. The size of the last two dimensions depends on the value of `full_matrices`. Only returned when `compute_uv` is True.

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If SVD computation does not converge.

**See also:****`scipy.linalg.svd`**

Similar function in SciPy.

**`scipy.linalg.svdvals`**

Compute singular values of a matrix.

**Notes**

Changed in version 1.8.0: Broadcasting rules apply, see the `numpy.linalg` documentation for details.

The decomposition is performed using LAPACK routine `_gesdd`.

SVD is usually described for the factorization of a 2D matrix  $A$ . The higher-dimensional case will be discussed below. In the 2D case, SVD is written as  $A = USV^H$ , where  $A = a$ ,  $U = u$ ,  $S = \text{np.diag}(s)$  and  $V^H = vh$ . The 1D array  $s$  contains the singular values of  $a$  and  $u$  and  $vh$  are unitary. The rows of  $vh$  are the eigenvectors of  $A^H A$  and the columns of  $u$  are the eigenvectors of  $AA^H$ . In both cases the corresponding (possibly non-zero) eigenvalues are given by  $s^{**2}$ .

If  $a$  has more than two dimensions, then broadcasting rules apply, as explained in *Linear algebra on several matrices at once*. This means that SVD is working in “stacked” mode: it iterates over all indices of the first `a.ndim - 2` dimensions and for each combination SVD is applied to the last two indices. The matrix  $a$  can be reconstructed from the decomposition with either `(u * s[..., None, :]) @ vh` or `u @ (s[..., None] * vh)`. (The `@` operator can be replaced by the function `np.matmul` for python versions below 3.5.)

If  $a$  is a `matrix` object (as opposed to an `ndarray`), then so are all the return values.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.random.randn(9, 6) + 1j*np.random.randn(9, 6)
>>> b = np.random.randn(2, 7, 8, 3) + 1j*np.random.randn(2, 7, 8, 3)
```

Reconstruction based on full SVD, 2D case:

```
>>> u, s, vh = np.linalg.svd(a, full_matrices=True)
>>> u.shape, s.shape, vh.shape
((9, 9), (6,), (6, 6))
>>> np.allclose(a, np.dot(u[:, :6] * s, vh))
True
>>> smat = np.zeros((9, 6), dtype=complex)
>>> smat[:6, :6] = np.diag(s)
```

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```
>>> np.allclose(a, np.dot(u, np.dot(smat, vh)))
True
```

Reconstruction based on reduced SVD, 2D case:

```
>>> u, s, vh = np.linalg.svd(a, full_matrices=False)
>>> u.shape, s.shape, vh.shape
((9, 6), (6,), (6, 6))
>>> np.allclose(a, np.dot(u * s, vh))
True
>>> smat = np.diag(s)
>>> np.allclose(a, np.dot(u, np.dot(smat, vh)))
True
```

Reconstruction based on full SVD, 4D case:

```
>>> u, s, vh = np.linalg.svd(b, full_matrices=True)
>>> u.shape, s.shape, vh.shape
((2, 7, 8, 8), (2, 7, 3), (2, 7, 3, 3))
>>> np.allclose(b, np.matmul(u[..., :3] * s[..., None, :], vh))
True
>>> np.allclose(b, np.matmul(u[..., :3], s[..., None] * vh))
True
```

Reconstruction based on reduced SVD, 4D case:

```
>>> u, s, vh = np.linalg.svd(b, full_matrices=False)
>>> u.shape, s.shape, vh.shape
((2, 7, 8, 3), (2, 7, 3), (2, 7, 3, 3))
>>> np.allclose(b, np.matmul(u * s[..., None, :], vh))
True
>>> np.allclose(b, np.matmul(u, s[..., None] * vh))
True
```

## 5.15.4 Matrix eigenvalues

<code>linalg.eig(a)</code>	Compute the eigenvalues and right eigenvectors of a square array.
<code>linalg.eigh(a[, UPLO])</code>	Return the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) or a real symmetric matrix.
<code>linalg.eigvals(a)</code>	Compute the eigenvalues of a general matrix.
<code>linalg.eigvalsh(a[, UPLO])</code>	Compute the eigenvalues of a complex Hermitian or real symmetric matrix.

`linalg.eig(a)`

Compute the eigenvalues and right eigenvectors of a square array.

### Parameters

**a**

[(..., M, M) array] Matrices for which the eigenvalues and right eigenvectors will be computed

**Returns****w**

[(..., M) array] The eigenvalues, each repeated according to its multiplicity. The eigenvalues are not necessarily ordered. The resulting array will be of complex type, unless the imaginary part is zero in which case it will be cast to a real type. When  $a$  is real the resulting eigenvalues will be real (0 imaginary part) or occur in conjugate pairs

**v**

[(..., M, M) array] The normalized (unit “length”) eigenvectors, such that the column  $v[:, i]$  is the eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue  $w[i]$ .

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If the eigenvalue computation does not converge.

**See also:****eigvals**

eigenvalues of a non-symmetric array.

**eigh**

eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a real symmetric or complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) array.

**eigvalsh**

eigenvalues of a real symmetric or complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) array.

**scipy.linalg.eig**

Similar function in SciPy that also solves the generalized eigenvalue problem.

**scipy.linalg.schur**

Best choice for unitary and other non-Hermitian normal matrices.

**Notes**

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the [numpy.linalg](#) documentation for details.

This is implemented using the `_geev` LAPACK routines which compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of general square arrays.

The number  $w$  is an eigenvalue of  $a$  if there exists a vector  $v$  such that  $a @ v = w * v$ . Thus, the arrays  $a$ ,  $w$ , and  $v$  satisfy the equations  $a @ v[:, i] = w[i] * v[:, i]$  for  $i \in \{0, \dots, M - 1\}$ .

The array  $v$  of eigenvectors may not be of maximum rank, that is, some of the columns may be linearly dependent, although round-off error may obscure that fact. If the eigenvalues are all different, then theoretically the eigenvectors are linearly independent and  $a$  can be diagonalized by a similarity transformation using  $v$ , i.e.,  $\text{inv}(v) @ a @ v$  is diagonal.

For non-Hermitian normal matrices the SciPy function [scipy.linalg.schur](#) is preferred because the matrix  $v$  is guaranteed to be unitary, which is not the case when using [eig](#). The Schur factorization produces an upper

triangular matrix rather than a diagonal matrix, but for normal matrices only the diagonal of the upper triangular matrix is needed, the rest is roundoff error.

Finally, it is emphasized that  $v$  consists of the *right* (as in right-hand side) eigenvectors of  $a$ . A vector  $y$  satisfying  $y \cdot T @ a = z * y \cdot T$  for some number  $z$  is called a *left* eigenvector of  $a$ , and, in general, the left and right eigenvectors of a matrix are not necessarily the (perhaps conjugate) transposes of each other.

## References

G. Strang, *Linear Algebra and Its Applications*, 2nd Ed., Orlando, FL, Academic Press, Inc., 1980, Various pp.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy import linalg as LA
```

(Almost) trivial example with real e-values and e-vectors.

```
>>> w, v = LA.eig(np.diag((1, 2, 3)))
>>> w; v
array([1., 2., 3.])
array([[1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 1.]])
```

Real matrix possessing complex e-values and e-vectors; note that the e-values are complex conjugates of each other.

```
>>> w, v = LA.eig(np.array([[1, -1], [1, 1]]))
>>> w; v
array([1.+1.j, 1.-1.j])
array([[0.70710678+0.j           , 0.70710678-0.j           ],
       [0.          -0.70710678j, 0.          +0.70710678j]])
```

Complex-valued matrix with real e-values (but complex-valued e-vectors); note that  $a.conj().T == a$ , i.e.,  $a$  is Hermitian.

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 1j], [-1j, 1]])
>>> w, v = LA.eig(a)
>>> w; v
array([2.+0.j, 0.+0.j])
array([[ 0.          +0.70710678j,  0.70710678+0.j      ], # may vary
       [ 0.70710678+0.j         , -0.          +0.70710678j]])
```

Be careful about round-off error!

```
>>> a = np.array([[1 + 1e-9, 0], [0, 1 - 1e-9]])
>>> # Theor. e-values are 1 +/- 1e-9
>>> w, v = LA.eig(a)
>>> w; v
array([1., 1.])
array([[1., 0.],
       [0., 1.]])
```

`linalg.eigh(a, UPLO='L')`

Return the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) or a real symmetric matrix.

Returns two objects, a 1-D array containing the eigenvalues of  $a$ , and a 2-D square array or matrix (depending on the input type) of the corresponding eigenvectors (in columns).

### Parameters

#### `a`

[(..., M, M) array] Hermitian or real symmetric matrices whose eigenvalues and eigenvectors are to be computed.

#### UPLO

[{'L', 'U'}, optional] Specifies whether the calculation is done with the lower triangular part of  $a$  ('L', default) or the upper triangular part ('U'). Irrespective of this value only the real parts of the diagonal will be considered in the computation to preserve the notion of a Hermitian matrix. It therefore follows that the imaginary part of the diagonal will always be treated as zero.

### Returns

#### `w`

[(..., M) ndarray] The eigenvalues in ascending order, each repeated according to its multiplicity.

#### `v`

[{(..., M, M) ndarray, (... M, M) matrix}] The column  $v[:, i]$  is the normalized eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue  $w[i]$ . Will return a matrix object if  $a$  is a matrix object.

### Raises

#### `LinAlgError`

If the eigenvalue computation does not converge.

### See also:

#### `eigvalsh`

eigenvalues of real symmetric or complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) arrays.

#### `eig`

eigenvalues and right eigenvectors for non-symmetric arrays.

#### `eigvals`

eigenvalues of non-symmetric arrays.

#### `scipy.linalg.eigh`

Similar function in SciPy (but also solves the generalized eigenvalue problem).

## Notes

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the [numpy.linalg](#) documentation for details.

The eigenvalues/eigenvectors are computed using LAPACK routines `_syevd`, `_heevd`.

The eigenvalues of real symmetric or complex Hermitian matrices are always real. [1] The array `v` of (column) eigenvectors is unitary and `a`, `w`, and `v` satisfy the equations `dot(a, v[:, i]) = w[i] * v[:, i]`.

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy import linalg as LA
>>> a = np.array([[1, -2j], [2j, 5]])
>>> a
array([[ 1.+0.j, -0.-2.j],
       [ 0.+2.j,  5.+0.j]])
>>> w, v = LA.eigh(a)
>>> w; v
array([0.17157288, 5.82842712])
array([-0.92387953+0.j, -0.38268343+0.j], # may vary
      [ 0.          +0.38268343j, 0.          -0.92387953j])
```

```
>>> np.dot(a, v[:, 0]) - w[0] * v[:, 0] # verify 1st e-val/vec pair
array([5.55111512e-17+0.0000000e+00j, 0.0000000e+00+1.2490009e-16j])
>>> np.dot(a, v[:, 1]) - w[1] * v[:, 1] # verify 2nd e-val/vec pair
array([0.+0.j, 0.+0.j])
```

```
>>> A = np.matrix(a) # what happens if input is a matrix object
>>> A
matrix([[ 1.+0.j, -0.-2.j],
       [ 0.+2.j,  5.+0.j]])
>>> w, v = LA.eigh(A)
>>> w; v
array([0.17157288, 5.82842712])
matrix([-0.92387953+0.j, -0.38268343+0.j], # may vary
      [ 0.          +0.38268343j, 0.          -0.92387953j])
```

```
>>> # demonstrate the treatment of the imaginary part of the diagonal
>>> a = np.array([[5+2j, 9-2j], [0+2j, 2-1j]])
>>> a
array([[5.+2.j, 9.-2.j],
       [0.+2.j, 2.-1.j]])
>>> # with UPTO='L' this is numerically equivalent to using LA.eig() with:
>>> b = np.array([[5.+0.j, 0.-2.j], [0.+2.j, 2.-0.j]])
>>> b
array([[5.+0.j, 0.-2.j],
       [0.+2.j, 2.+0.j]])
>>> wa, va = LA.eigh(a)
>>> wb, vb = LA.eig(b)
```

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```
>>> wa; wb
array([1., 6.])
array([6.+0.j, 1.+0.j])
>>> va; vb
array([[ -0.4472136+0.j, -0.89442719+0.j], # may vary
       [ 0.          +0.89442719j, 0.          -0.4472136j ]])
array([[ 0.89442719+0.j, -0.          +0.4472136j],
       [-0.          +0.4472136j, 0.89442719+0.j]])
```

**linalg.eigvals(a)**

Compute the eigenvalues of a general matrix.

Main difference between `eigvals` and `eig`: the eigenvectors aren't returned.

**Parameters****a**

[(..., M, M) array\_like] A complex- or real-valued matrix whose eigenvalues will be computed.

**Returns****w**

[(..., M,) ndarray] The eigenvalues, each repeated according to its multiplicity. They are not necessarily ordered, nor are they necessarily real for real matrices.

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If the eigenvalue computation does not converge.

**See also:****`eig`**

eigenvalues and right eigenvectors of general arrays

**`eigvalsh`**

eigenvalues of real symmetric or complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) arrays.

**`eigh`**

eigenvalues and eigenvectors of real symmetric or complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) arrays.

**`scipy.linalg.eigvals`**

Similar function in SciPy.

## Notes

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the [numpy.linalg](#) documentation for details.

This is implemented using the `_geev` LAPACK routines which compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of general square arrays.

## Examples

Illustration, using the fact that the eigenvalues of a diagonal matrix are its diagonal elements, that multiplying a matrix on the left by an orthogonal matrix,  $Q$ , and on the right by  $Q.T$  (the transpose of  $Q$ ), preserves the eigenvalues of the “middle” matrix. In other words, if  $Q$  is orthogonal, then  $Q * A * Q.T$  has the same eigenvalues as  $A$ :

```
>>> from numpy import linalg as LA
>>> x = np.random.random()
>>> Q = np.array([[np.cos(x), -np.sin(x)], [np.sin(x), np.cos(x)]])
>>> LA.norm(Q[0, :]), LA.norm(Q[1, :]), np.dot(Q[0, :], Q[1, :])
(1.0, 1.0, 0.0)
```

Now multiply a diagonal matrix by  $Q$  on one side and by  $Q.T$  on the other:

```
>>> D = np.diag((-1, 1))
>>> LA.eigvals(D)
array([-1.,  1.])
>>> A = np.dot(Q, D)
>>> A = np.dot(A, Q.T)
>>> LA.eigvals(A)
array([ 1., -1.]) # random
```

### `linalg.eigvalsh(a, UPLO='L')`

Compute the eigenvalues of a complex Hermitian or real symmetric matrix.

Main difference from `eigh`: the eigenvectors are not computed.

#### Parameters

##### a

[..., M, M) array\_like] A complex- or real-valued matrix whose eigenvalues are to be computed.

##### UPLO

[{'L', 'U'}, optional] Specifies whether the calculation is done with the lower triangular part of  $a$  ('L', default) or the upper triangular part ('U'). Irrespective of this value only the real parts of the diagonal will be considered in the computation to preserve the notion of a Hermitian matrix. It therefore follows that the imaginary part of the diagonal will always be treated as zero.

#### Returns

##### w

[..., M,) ndarray] The eigenvalues in ascending order, each repeated according to its multiplicity.

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If the eigenvalue computation does not converge.

**See also:****`eigh`**

eigenvalues and eigenvectors of real symmetric or complex Hermitian (conjugate symmetric) arrays.

**`eigvals`**

eigenvalues of general real or complex arrays.

**`eig`**

eigenvalues and right eigenvectors of general real or complex arrays.

**`scipy.linalg.eigvalsh`**

Similar function in SciPy.

**Notes**

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the [numpy.linalg](#) documentation for details.

The eigenvalues are computed using LAPACK routines `_syevd`, `_heevd`.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy import linalg as LA
>>> a = np.array([[1, -2j], [2j, 5]])
>>> LA.eigvalsh(a)
array([ 0.17157288,  5.82842712]) # may vary
```

```
>>> # demonstrate the treatment of the imaginary part of the diagonal
>>> a = np.array([[5+2j, 9-2j], [0+2j, 2-1j]])
>>> a
array([[5.+2.j, 9.-2.j],
       [0.+2.j, 2.-1.j]])
>>> # with UPLO='L' this is numerically equivalent to using LA.eigvals()
>>> # with:
>>> b = np.array([[5.+0.j, 0.-2.j], [0.+2.j, 2.-0.j]])
>>> b
array([[5.+0.j, 0.-2.j],
       [0.+2.j, 2.+0.j]])
>>> wa = LA.eigvalsh(a)
>>> wb = LA.eigvals(b)
>>> wa; wb
array([1., 6.])
array([6.+0.j, 1.+0.j])
```

## 5.15.5 Norms and other numbers

<code>linalg.norm(x[, ord, axis, keepdims])</code>	Matrix or vector norm.
<code>linalg.cond(x[, p])</code>	Compute the condition number of a matrix.
<code>linalg.det(a)</code>	Compute the determinant of an array.
<code>linalg.matrix_rank(A[, tol, hermitian])</code>	Return matrix rank of array using SVD method
<code>linalg.slogdet(a)</code>	Compute the sign and (natural) logarithm of the determinant of an array.
<code>trace(a[, offset, axis1, axis2, dtype, out])</code>	Return the sum along diagonals of the array.

`linalg.norm(x, ord=None, axis=None, keepdims=False)`

Matrix or vector norm.

This function is able to return one of eight different matrix norms, or one of an infinite number of vector norms (described below), depending on the value of the `ord` parameter.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input array. If `axis` is None, `x` must be 1-D or 2-D, unless `ord` is None. If both `axis` and `ord` are None, the 2-norm of `x.ravel` will be returned.

#### ord

[{non-zero int, inf, -inf, ‘fro’, ‘nuc’}, optional] Order of the norm (see table under Notes). inf means numpy’s `inf` object. The default is None.

#### axis

[{None, int, 2-tuple of ints}, optional.] If `axis` is an integer, it specifies the axis of `x` along which to compute the vector norms. If `axis` is a 2-tuple, it specifies the axes that hold 2-D matrices, and the matrix norms of these matrices are computed. If `axis` is None then either a vector norm (when `x` is 1-D) or a matrix norm (when `x` is 2-D) is returned. The default is None.

New in version 1.8.0.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are normed over are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option the result will broadcast correctly against the original `x`.

New in version 1.10.0.

### Returns

#### n

[float or ndarray] Norm of the matrix or vector(s).

See also:

`scipy.linalg.norm`

Similar function in SciPy.

## Notes

For values of `ord < 1`, the result is, strictly speaking, not a mathematical ‘norm’, but it may still be useful for various numerical purposes.

The following norms can be calculated:

<code>ord</code>	norm for matrices	norm for vectors
<code>None</code>	Frobenius norm	2-norm
<code>'fro'</code>	Frobenius norm	—
<code>'nuc'</code>	nuclear norm	—
<code>inf</code>	<code>max(sum(abs(x), axis=1))</code>	<code>max(abs(x))</code>
<code>-inf</code>	<code>min(sum(abs(x), axis=1))</code>	<code>min(abs(x))</code>
<code>0</code>	—	<code>sum(x != 0)</code>
<code>1</code>	<code>max(sum(abs(x), axis=0))</code>	as below
<code>-1</code>	<code>min(sum(abs(x), axis=0))</code>	as below
<code>2</code>	2-norm (largest sing. value)	as below
<code>-2</code>	smallest singular value	as below
other	—	<code>sum(abs(x)**ord)**(1./ord)</code>

The Frobenius norm is given by [1]:

$$\|A\|_F = [\sum_{i,j} abs(a_{i,j})^2]^{1/2}$$

The nuclear norm is the sum of the singular values.

Both the Frobenius and nuclear norm orders are only defined for matrices and raise a `ValueError` when `x.ndim != 2`.

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy import linalg as LA
>>> a = np.arange(9) - 4
>>> a
array([-4, -3, -2, ..., 2, 3, 4])
>>> b = a.reshape((3, 3))
>>> b
array([[ -4, -3, -2],
       [-1,  0,  1],
       [ 2,  3,  4]])
```

```
>>> LA.norm(a)
7.745966692414834
>>> LA.norm(b)
7.745966692414834
>>> LA.norm(b, 'fro')
7.745966692414834
>>> LA.norm(a, np.inf)
4.0
```

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```
>>> LA.norm(b, np.inf)
9.0
>>> LA.norm(a, -np.inf)
0.0
>>> LA.norm(b, -np.inf)
2.0
```

```
>>> LA.norm(a, 1)
20.0
>>> LA.norm(b, 1)
7.0
>>> LA.norm(a, -1)
-4.6566128774142013e-010
>>> LA.norm(b, -1)
6.0
>>> LA.norm(a, 2)
7.745966692414834
>>> LA.norm(b, 2)
7.3484692283495345
```

```
>>> LA.norm(a, -2)
0.0
>>> LA.norm(b, -2)
1.8570331885190563e-016 # may vary
>>> LA.norm(a, 3)
5.8480354764257312 # may vary
>>> LA.norm(a, -3)
0.0
```

Using the *axis* argument to compute vector norms:

```
>>> c = np.array([[ 1,  2,  3],
...                 [-1,  1,  4]])
>>> LA.norm(c, axis=0)
array([ 1.41421356,  2.23606798,   5.          ])
>>> LA.norm(c, axis=1)
array([ 3.74165739,  4.24264069])
>>> LA.norm(c, ord=1, axis=1)
array([ 6.,  6.])
```

Using the *axis* argument to compute matrix norms:

```
>>> m = np.arange(8).reshape(2,2,2)
>>> LA.norm(m, axis=(1,2))
array([ 3.74165739, 11.22497216])
>>> LA.norm(m[0, :, :], LA.norm(m[1, :, :]))
(3.7416573867739413, 11.224972160321824)
```

`linalg.cond(x, p=None)`

Compute the condition number of a matrix.

This function is capable of returning the condition number using one of seven different norms, depending on the value of *p* (see Parameters below).

### Parameters

**x**

[(..., M, N) array\_like] The matrix whose condition number is sought.

**p**

[{None, 1, -1, 2, -2, inf, -inf, ‘fro’}, optional] Order of the norm used in the condition number computation:

<b>p</b>	norm for matrices
None	2-norm, computed directly using the SVD
‘fro’	Frobenius norm
inf	<code>max(sum(abs(x), axis=1))</code>
-inf	<code>min(sum(abs(x), axis=1))</code>
1	<code>max(sum(abs(x), axis=0))</code>
-1	<code>min(sum(abs(x), axis=0))</code>
2	2-norm (largest sing. value)
-2	smallest singular value

inf means the `numpy.inf` object, and the Frobenius norm is the root-of-sum-of-squares norm.

**Returns****c**

[{float, inf}] The condition number of the matrix. May be infinite.

**See also:**

`numpy.linalg.norm`

**Notes**

The condition number of  $x$  is defined as the norm of  $x$  times the norm of the inverse of  $x$  [1]; the norm can be the usual L2-norm (root-of-sum-of-squares) or one of a number of other matrix norms.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy import linalg as LA
>>> a = np.array([[1, 0, -1], [0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1]])
>>> a
array([[ 1,  0, -1],
       [ 0,  1,  0],
       [ 1,  0,  1]])
>>> LA.cond(a)
1.4142135623730951
>>> LA.cond(a, 'fro')
3.1622776601683795
>>> LA.cond(a, np.inf)
```

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```

2.0
>>> LA.cond(a, -np.inf)
1.0
>>> LA.cond(a, 1)
2.0
>>> LA.cond(a, -1)
1.0
>>> LA.cond(a, 2)
1.4142135623730951
>>> LA.cond(a, -2)
0.70710678118654746 # may vary
>>> min(LA.svd(a, compute_uv=False))*min(LA.svd(LA.inv(a), compute_uv=False))
0.70710678118654746 # may vary

```

**linalg.det (a)**

Compute the determinant of an array.

**Parameters****a**

[(..., M, M) array\_like] Input array to compute determinants for.

**Returns****det**

[(...) array\_like] Determinant of  $a$ .

**See also:*****slogdet***

Another way to represent the determinant, more suitable for large matrices where underflow/overflow may occur.

***scipy.linalg.det***

Similar function in SciPy.

**Notes**

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the [\*numpy.linalg\*](#) documentation for details.

The determinant is computed via LU factorization using the LAPACK routine z/dgetrf.

## Examples

The determinant of a 2-D array  $[[a, b], [c, d]]$  is  $ad - bc$ :

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> np.linalg.det(a)
-2.0 # may vary
```

Computing determinants for a stack of matrices:

```
>>> a = np.array([ [[1, 2], [3, 4]], [[1, 2], [2, 1]], [[1, 3], [3, 1]] ])
>>> a.shape
(3, 2, 2)
>>> np.linalg.det(a)
array([-2., -3., -8.])
```

`linalg.matrix_rank(A, tol=None, hermitian=False)`

Return matrix rank of array using SVD method

Rank of the array is the number of singular values of the array that are greater than *tol*.

Changed in version 1.14: Can now operate on stacks of matrices

### Parameters

#### A

[{(M,), (...), M, N)} array\_like] Input vector or stack of matrices.

#### tol

[(...) array\_like, float, optional] Threshold below which SVD values are considered zero. If *tol* is None, and *S* is an array with singular values for *M*, and *eps* is the epsilon value for datatype of *S*, then *tol* is set to *S.max() \* max(M, N) \* eps*.

Changed in version 1.14: Broadcasted against the stack of matrices

#### hermitian

[bool, optional] If True, *A* is assumed to be Hermitian (symmetric if real-valued), enabling a more efficient method for finding singular values. Defaults to False.

New in version 1.14.

### Returns

#### rank

[(...) array\_like] Rank of *A*.

## Notes

The default threshold to detect rank deficiency is a test on the magnitude of the singular values of  $A$ . By default, we identify singular values less than  $S.\max() * \max(M, N) * \text{eps}$  as indicating rank deficiency (with the symbols defined above). This is the algorithm MATLAB uses [1]. It also appears in *Numerical recipes* in the discussion of SVD solutions for linear least squares [2].

This default threshold is designed to detect rank deficiency accounting for the numerical errors of the SVD computation. Imagine that there is a column in  $A$  that is an exact (in floating point) linear combination of other columns in  $A$ . Computing the SVD on  $A$  will not produce a singular value exactly equal to 0 in general: any difference of the smallest SVD value from 0 will be caused by numerical imprecision in the calculation of the SVD. Our threshold for small SVD values takes this numerical imprecision into account, and the default threshold will detect such numerical rank deficiency. The threshold may declare a matrix  $A$  rank deficient even if the linear combination of some columns of  $A$  is not exactly equal to another column of  $A$  but only numerically very close to another column of  $A$ .

We chose our default threshold because it is in wide use. Other thresholds are possible. For example, elsewhere in the 2007 edition of *Numerical recipes* there is an alternative threshold of  $S.\max() * \text{np.finfo}(A.dtype).\text{eps} / 2. * \text{np.sqrt}(m + n + 1.)$ . The authors describe this threshold as being based on “expected roundoff error” (p 71).

The thresholds above deal with floating point roundoff error in the calculation of the SVD. However, you may have more information about the sources of error in  $A$  that would make you consider other tolerance values to detect *effective* rank deficiency. The most useful measure of the tolerance depends on the operations you intend to use on your matrix. For example, if your data come from uncertain measurements with uncertainties greater than floating point epsilon, choosing a tolerance near that uncertainty may be preferable. The tolerance may be absolute if the uncertainties are absolute rather than relative.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.linalg import matrix_rank
>>> matrix_rank(np.eye(4)) # Full rank matrix
4
>>> I=np.eye(4); I[-1,-1] = 0. # rank deficient matrix
>>> matrix_rank(I)
3
>>> matrix_rank(np.ones((4,))) # 1 dimension - rank 1 unless all 0
1
>>> matrix_rank(np.zeros((4,)))
0
```

`linalg.slogdet(a)`

Compute the sign and (natural) logarithm of the determinant of an array.

If an array has a very small or very large determinant, then a call to `det` may overflow or underflow. This routine is more robust against such issues, because it computes the logarithm of the determinant rather than the determinant itself.

### Parameters

`a`

[(..., M, M) array\_like] Input array, has to be a square 2-D array.

## Returns

### `sign`

[(...) array\_like] A number representing the sign of the determinant. For a real matrix, this is 1, 0, or -1. For a complex matrix, this is a complex number with absolute value 1 (i.e., it is on the unit circle), or else 0.

### `logdet`

[(...) array\_like] The natural log of the absolute value of the determinant.

If the determinant is zero, then `sign` will be 0 and `logdet` will be

-Inf. In all cases, the determinant is equal to `sign * np.exp(logdet)`.

## See also:

### `det`

## Notes

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the [numpy.linalg](#) documentation for details.

New in version 1.6.0.

The determinant is computed via LU factorization using the LAPACK routine z/dgetrf.

## Examples

The determinant of a 2-D array [[a, b], [c, d]] is ad - bc:

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> (sign, logdet) = np.linalg.slogdet(a)
>>> (sign, logdet)
(-1, 0.69314718055994529) # may vary
>>> sign * np.exp(logdet)
-2.0
```

Computing log-determinants for a stack of matrices:

```
>>> a = np.array([ [[1, 2], [3, 4]], [[1, 2], [2, 1]], [[1, 3], [3, 1]] ])
>>> a.shape
(3, 2, 2)
>>> sign, logdet = np.linalg.slogdet(a)
>>> (sign, logdet)
(array([-1., -1., -1.]), array([ 0.69314718,  1.09861229,  2.07944154]))
>>> sign * np.exp(logdet)
array([-2., -3., -8.])
```

This routine succeeds where ordinary `det` does not:

```
>>> np.linalg.det(np.eye(500) * 0.1)
0.0
>>> np.linalg.slogdet(np.eye(500) * 0.1)
(1, -1151.2925464970228)
```

`numpy.trace(a, offset=0, axis1=0, axis2=1, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the sum along diagonals of the array.

If  $a$  is 2-D, the sum along its diagonal with the given offset is returned, i.e., the sum of elements  $a[i, i+off]$  for all  $i$ .

If  $a$  has more than two dimensions, then the axes specified by  $axis1$  and  $axis2$  are used to determine the 2-D sub-arrays whose traces are returned. The shape of the resulting array is the same as that of  $a$  with  $axis1$  and  $axis2$  removed.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array, from which the diagonals are taken.

#### offset

[int, optional] Offset of the diagonal from the main diagonal. Can be both positive and negative.  
Defaults to 0.

#### axis1, axis2

[int, optional] Axes to be used as the first and second axis of the 2-D sub-arrays from which the diagonals should be taken. Defaults are the first two axes of  $a$ .

#### dtype

[dtype, optional] Determines the data-type of the returned array and of the accumulator where the elements are summed. If  $dtype$  has the value `None` and  $a$  is of integer type of precision less than the default integer precision, then the default integer precision is used. Otherwise, the precision is the same as that of  $a$ .

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Array into which the output is placed. Its type is preserved and it must be of the right shape to hold the output.

### Returns

#### sum\_along\_diagonals

[ndarray] If  $a$  is 2-D, the sum along the diagonal is returned. If  $a$  has larger dimensions, then an array of sums along diagonals is returned.

See also:

`diag`, `diagonal`, `diagflat`

## Examples

```
>>> np.trace(np.eye(3))
3.0
>>> a = np.arange(8).reshape((2,2,2))
>>> np.trace(a)
array([6, 8])
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(24).reshape((2,2,2,3))
>>> np.trace(a).shape
(2, 3)
```

## 5.15.6 Solving equations and inverting matrices

<code>linalg.solve(a, b)</code>	Solve a linear matrix equation, or system of linear scalar equations.
<code>linalg.tensorsolve(a, b[, axes])</code>	Solve the tensor equation $a \times = b$ for $x$ .
<code>linalg.lstsq(a, b[, rcond])</code>	Return the least-squares solution to a linear matrix equation.
<code>linalg.inv(a)</code>	Compute the (multiplicative) inverse of a matrix.
<code>linalg.pinv(a[, rcond, hermitian])</code>	Compute the (Moore-Penrose) pseudo-inverse of a matrix.
<code>linalg.tensorinv(a[, ind])</code>	Compute the 'inverse' of an N-dimensional array.

`linalg.solve(a, b)`

Solve a linear matrix equation, or system of linear scalar equations.

Computes the “exact” solution,  $x$ , of the well-determined, i.e., full rank, linear matrix equation  $ax = b$ .

### Parameters

**a**

[(..., M, M) array\_like] Coefficient matrix.

**b**

[{{(..., M,), (... , M, K)}, array\_like] Ordinate or “dependent variable” values.

### Returns

**x**

[{{(..., M,), (... , M, K)} ndarray] Solution to the system  $a x = b$ . Returned shape is identical to  $b$ .

### Raises

#### `LinAlgError`

If  $a$  is singular or not square.

### See also:

**scipy.linalg.solve**

Similar function in SciPy.

**Notes**

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the [numpy.linalg](#) documentation for details.

The solutions are computed using LAPACK routine `_gesv`.

*a* must be square and of full-rank, i.e., all rows (or, equivalently, columns) must be linearly independent; if either is not true, use [`lstsq`](#) for the least-squares best “solution” of the system/equation.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

Solve the system of equations  $x_0 + 2 * x_1 = 1$  and  $3 * x_0 + 5 * x_1 = 2$ :

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 5]])
>>> b = np.array([1, 2])
>>> x = np.linalg.solve(a, b)
>>> x
array([-1.,  1.])
```

Check that the solution is correct:

```
>>> np.allclose(np.dot(a, x), b)
True
```

`linalg.tensorsolve(a, b, axes=None)`

Solve the tensor equation  $a \cdot x = b$  for  $x$ .

It is assumed that all indices of  $x$  are summed over in the product, together with the rightmost indices of  $a$ , as is done in, for example, `tensordot(a, x, axes=b.ndim)`.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Coefficient tensor, of shape  $b.shape + Q$ .  $Q$ , a tuple, equals the shape of that sub-tensor of  $a$  consisting of the appropriate number of its rightmost indices, and must be such that  $\text{prod}(Q) == \text{prod}(b.shape)$  (in which sense  $a$  is said to be ‘square’).

**b**

[array\_like] Right-hand tensor, which can be of any shape.

**axes**

[tuple of ints, optional] Axes in  $a$  to reorder to the right, before inversion. If None (default), no reordering is done.

**Returns**

**x**

[ndarray, shape Q]

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If  $a$  is singular or not ‘square’ (in the above sense).

**See also:**

[numpy.tensordot](#), [tensorinv](#), [numpy.einsum](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.eye(2*3*4)
>>> a.shape = (2*3, 4, 2, 3, 4)
>>> b = np.random.randn(2*3, 4)
>>> x = np.linalg.tensorsolve(a, b)
>>> x.shape
(2, 3, 4)
>>> np.allclose(np.tensordot(a, x, axes=3), b)
True
```

`linalg.lstsq(a, b, rcond='warn')`

Return the least-squares solution to a linear matrix equation.

Computes the vector  $x$  that approximately solves the equation  $a @ x = b$ . The equation may be under-, well-, or over-determined (i.e., the number of linearly independent rows of  $a$  can be less than, equal to, or greater than its number of linearly independent columns). If  $a$  is square and of full rank, then  $x$  (but for round-off error) is the “exact” solution of the equation. Else,  $x$  minimizes the Euclidean 2-norm  $\|b - ax\|$ . If there are multiple minimizing solutions, the one with the smallest 2-norm  $\|x\|$  is returned.

**Parameters****a**

[(M, N) array\_like] “Coefficient” matrix.

**b**

[{(M,), (M, K)} array\_like] Ordinate or “dependent variable” values. If  $b$  is two-dimensional, the least-squares solution is calculated for each of the  $K$  columns of  $b$ .

**rcond**

[float, optional] Cut-off ratio for small singular values of  $a$ . For the purposes of rank determination, singular values are treated as zero if they are smaller than  $rcond$  times the largest singular value of  $a$ .

Changed in version 1.14.0: If not set, a FutureWarning is given. The previous default of  $-1$  will use the machine precision as  $rcond$  parameter, the new default will use the machine precision times  $\max(M, N)$ . To silence the warning and use the new default, use  $rcond=None$ , to keep using the old behavior, use  $rcond=-1$ .

**Returns**

**x**

[{(N,), (N, K)} ndarray] Least-squares solution. If  $b$  is two-dimensional, the solutions are in the  $K$  columns of  $x$ .

**residuals**

[{(1,), (K,), (0,)} ndarray] Sums of squared residuals: Squared Euclidean 2-norm for each column in  $b - a @ x$ . If the rank of  $a$  is  $< N$  or  $M \leq N$ , this is an empty array. If  $b$  is 1-dimensional, this is a (1,) shape array. Otherwise the shape is (K,).

**rank**

[int] Rank of matrix  $a$ .

**s**

[(min(M, N),) ndarray] Singular values of  $a$ .

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If computation does not converge.

**See also:****scipy.linalg.lstsq**

Similar function in SciPy.

**Notes**

If  $b$  is a matrix, then all array results are returned as matrices.

**Examples**

Fit a line,  $y = mx + c$ , through some noisy data-points:

```
>>> x = np.array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> y = np.array([-1, 0.2, 0.9, 2.1])
```

By examining the coefficients, we see that the line should have a gradient of roughly 1 and cut the y-axis at, more or less, -1.

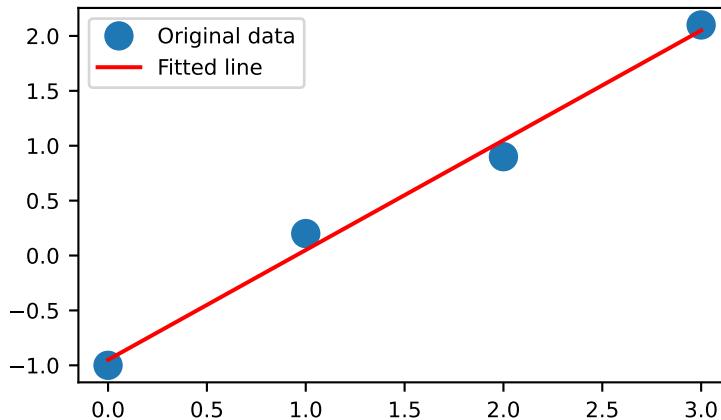
We can rewrite the line equation as  $y = Ap$ , where  $A = [[x \ 1]]$  and  $p = [m, c]$ . Now use `lstsq` to solve for  $p$ :

```
>>> A = np.vstack([x, np.ones(len(x))]).T
>>> A
array([[ 0.,  1.],
       [ 1.,  1.],
       [ 2.,  1.],
       [ 3.,  1.]])
```

```
>>> m, c = np.linalg.lstsq(A, y, rcond=None)[0]
>>> m, c
(1.0 -0.95) # may vary
```

Plot the data along with the fitted line:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> _ = plt.plot(x, y, 'o', label='Original data', markersize=10)
>>> _ = plt.plot(x, m*x + c, 'r', label='Fitted line')
>>> _ = plt.legend()
>>> plt.show()
```



## linalg.inv(a)

Compute the (multiplicative) inverse of a matrix.

Given a square matrix  $a$ , return the matrix  $ainv$  satisfying  $\text{dot}(a, ainv) = \text{dot}(ainv, a) = \text{eye}(a.\text{shape}[0])$ .

### Parameters

#### a

[(..., M, M) array\_like] Matrix to be inverted.

### Returns

#### ainv

[(..., M, M) ndarray or matrix] (Multiplicative) inverse of the matrix  $a$ .

### Raises

#### `LinAlgError`

If  $a$  is not square or inversion fails.

### See also:

#### `scipy.linalg.inv`

Similar function in SciPy.

## Notes

New in version 1.8.0.

Broadcasting rules apply, see the [numpy.linalg](#) documentation for details.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.linalg import inv
>>> a = np.array([[1., 2.], [3., 4.]])
>>> ainv = inv(a)
>>> np.allclose(np.dot(a, ainv), np.eye(2))
True
>>> np.allclose(np.dot(ainv, a), np.eye(2))
True
```

If `a` is a matrix object, then the return value is a matrix as well:

```
>>> ainv = inv(np.matrix(a))
>>> ainv
matrix([[-2.,  1.],
       [ 1.5, -0.5]])
```

Inverses of several matrices can be computed at once:

```
>>> a = np.array([[[1., 2.], [3., 4.]], [[1, 3], [3, 5]]])
>>> inv(a)
array([[[[-2. ,  1. ],
          [ 1.5, -0.5]],
         [[-1.25,  0.75],
          [ 0.75, -0.25]]]])
```

`linalg.pinv(a, rcond=1e-15, hermitian=False)`

Compute the (Moore-Penrose) pseudo-inverse of a matrix.

Calculate the generalized inverse of a matrix using its singular-value decomposition (SVD) and including all *large* singular values.

Changed in version 1.14: Can now operate on stacks of matrices

### Parameters

#### a

[(..., M, N) array\_like] Matrix or stack of matrices to be pseudo-inverted.

#### rcond

[(...) array\_like of float] Cutoff for small singular values. Singular values less than or equal to `rcond * largest_singular_value` are set to zero. Broadcasts against the stack of matrices.

#### hermitian

[bool, optional] If True, `a` is assumed to be Hermitian (symmetric if real-valued), enabling a more efficient method for finding singular values. Defaults to False.

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns****B**

[(..., N, M) ndarray] The pseudo-inverse of  $a$ . If  $a$  is a `matrix` instance, then so is  $B$ .

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If the SVD computation does not converge.

**See also:**`scipy.linalg.pinv`

Similar function in SciPy.

`scipy.linalg.pinvh`

Compute the (Moore-Penrose) pseudo-inverse of a Hermitian matrix.

**Notes**

The pseudo-inverse of a matrix  $A$ , denoted  $A^+$ , is defined as: “the matrix that ‘solves’ [the least-squares problem]  $Ax = b$ ,” i.e., if  $\bar{x}$  is said solution, then  $A^+$  is that matrix such that  $\bar{x} = A^+b$ .

It can be shown that if  $Q_1\Sigma Q_2^T = A$  is the singular value decomposition of  $A$ , then  $A^+ = Q_2\Sigma^+Q_1^T$ , where  $Q_{1,2}$  are orthogonal matrices,  $\Sigma$  is a diagonal matrix consisting of  $A$ ’s so-called singular values, (followed, typically, by zeros), and then  $\Sigma^+$  is simply the diagonal matrix consisting of the reciprocals of  $A$ ’s singular values (again, followed by zeros). [1]

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

The following example checks that  $a * a^+ * a == a$  and  $a^+ * a * a^+ == a^+$ :

```
>>> a = np.random.randn(9, 6)
>>> B = np.linalg.pinv(a)
>>> np.allclose(a, np.dot(a, np.dot(B, a)))
True
>>> np.allclose(B, np.dot(B, np.dot(a, B)))
True
```

`linalg.tensorinv(a, ind=2)`

Compute the ‘inverse’ of an N-dimensional array.

The result is an inverse for  $a$  relative to the tensordot operation `tensordot(a, b, ind)`, i. e., up to floating-point accuracy, `tensordot(tensorinv(a), a, ind)` is the “identity” tensor for the tensordot operation.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like] Tensor to ‘invert’. Its shape must be ‘square’, i. e., `prod(a.shape[:ind]) == prod(a.shape[ind:]).`

**ind**

[int, optional] Number of first indices that are involved in the inverse sum. Must be a positive integer, default is 2.

**Returns****b**

[ndarray] *a*’s tensordot inverse, shape `a.shape[ind:] + a.shape[:ind].`

**Raises****LinAlgError**

If *a* is singular or not ‘square’ (in the above sense).

**See also:**

[`numpy.tensordot`](#), [`tensorsolve`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.eye(4*6)
>>> a.shape = (4, 6, 8, 3)
>>> ainv = np.linalg.tensorinv(a, ind=2)
>>> ainv.shape
(8, 3, 4, 6)
>>> b = np.random.randn(4, 6)
>>> np.allclose(np.tensordot(ainv, b), np.linalg.tensorsolve(a, b))
True
```

```
>>> a = np.eye(4*6)
>>> a.shape = (24, 8, 3)
>>> ainv = np.linalg.tensorinv(a, ind=1)
>>> ainv.shape
(8, 3, 24)
>>> b = np.random.randn(24)
>>> np.allclose(np.tensordot(ainv, b, 1), np.linalg.tensorsolve(a, b))
True
```

## 5.15.7 Exceptions

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`linalg.LinAlgError`

Generic Python-exception-derived object raised by linalg functions.

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`exception linalg.LinAlgError`

Generic Python-exception-derived object raised by linalg functions.

General purpose exception class, derived from Python’s `Exception` class, programmatically raised in linalg functions when a Linear Algebra-related condition would prevent further correct execution of the function.

### Parameters

`None`

### Examples

```
>>> from numpy import linalg as LA
>>> LA.inv(np.zeros((2,2)))
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File "...linalg.py", line 350,
    in inv return wrap(solve(a, identity(a.shape[0], dtype=a.dtype)))
  File "...linalg.py", line 249,
    in solve
      raise LinAlgError('Singular matrix')
numpy.linalg.LinAlgError: Singular matrix
```

## 5.15.8 Linear algebra on several matrices at once

New in version 1.8.0.

Several of the linear algebra routines listed above are able to compute results for several matrices at once, if they are stacked into the same array.

This is indicated in the documentation via input parameter specifications such as `a : (..., M, M) array_like`. This means that if for instance given an input array `a.shape == (N, M, M)`, it is interpreted as a “stack” of N matrices, each of size M-by-M. Similar specification applies to return values, for instance the determinant has `det : (...)` and will in this case return an array of shape `det(a).shape == (N, )`. This generalizes to linear algebra operations on higher-dimensional arrays: the last 1 or 2 dimensions of a multidimensional array are interpreted as vectors or matrices, as appropriate for each operation.

## 5.16 Logic functions

### 5.16.1 Truth value testing

---

`all(a[, axis, out, keepdims, where])`

Test whether all array elements along a given axis evaluate to True.

---

`any(a[, axis, out, keepdims, where])`

Test whether any array element along a given axis evaluates to True.

---

```
numpy.all(a, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, *, where=<no value>)
```

Test whether all array elements along a given axis evaluate to True.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which a logical AND reduction is performed. The default (axis=None) is to perform a logical AND over all the dimensions of the input array. *axis* may be negative, in which case it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, a reduction is performed on multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output and its type is preserved (e.g., if `dtype(out)` is float, the result will consist of 0.0's and 1.0's). See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then `keepdims` will not be passed through to the `all` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement `keepdims` any exceptions will be raised.

#### where

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in checking for all *True* values. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.20.0.

### Returns

#### all

[ndarray, bool] A new boolean or array is returned unless `out` is specified, in which case a reference to `out` is returned.

### See also:

#### `ndarray.all`

equivalent method

#### `any`

Test whether any element along a given axis evaluates to True.

## Notes

Not a Number (NaN), positive infinity and negative infinity evaluate to *True* because these are not equal to zero.

## Examples

```
>>> np.all([[True, False], [True, True]])
False
```

```
>>> np.all([[True, False], [True, True]], axis=0)
array([ True, False])
```

```
>>> np.all([-1, 4, 5])
True
```

```
>>> np.all([1.0, np.nan])
True
```

```
>>> np.all([[True, True], [False, True]], where=[[True], [False]])
True
```

```
>>> o=np.array(False)
>>> z=np.all([-1, 4, 5], out=o)
>>> id(z), id(o), z
(28293632, 28293632, array(True)) # may vary
```

`numpy.any(a, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, *, where=<no value>)`

Test whether any array element along a given axis evaluates to True.

Returns single boolean if *axis* is None

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which a logical OR reduction is performed. The default (`axis=None`) is to perform a logical OR over all the dimensions of the input array. *axis* may be negative, in which case it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, a reduction is performed on multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output and its type is preserved (e.g., if it is of type float, then it will remain so, returning 1.0 for True and 0.0 for False, regardless of the type of *a*). See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then `keepdims` will not be passed through to the `any` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement `keepdims` any exceptions will be raised.

#### where

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in checking for any *True* values. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.20.0.

#### Returns

##### any

[bool or ndarray] A new boolean or `ndarray` is returned unless `out` is specified, in which case a reference to `out` is returned.

#### See also:

##### `ndarray.any`

equivalent method

##### `all`

Test whether all elements along a given axis evaluate to True.

#### Notes

Not a Number (NaN), positive infinity and negative infinity evaluate to *True* because these are not equal to zero.

#### Examples

```
>>> np.any([[True, False], [True, True]])
True
```

```
>>> np.any([[True, False], [False, False]], axis=0)
array([ True, False])
```

```
>>> np.any([-1, 0, 5])
True
```

```
>>> np.any(np.nan)
True
```

```
>>> np.any([[True, False], [False, False]], where=[[False], [True]])
False
```

```
>>> o=np.array(False)
>>> z=np.any([-1, 4, 5], out=o)
>>> z, o
(array(True), array(True))
>>> # Check now that z is a reference to o
>>> z is o
True
>>> id(z), id(o) # identity of z and o
(191614240, 191614240)
```

## 5.16.2 Array contents

<code>isfinite(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Test element-wise for finiteness (not infinity and not Not a Number).
<code>isinf(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Test element-wise for positive or negative infinity.
<code>isnan(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Test element-wise for NaN and return result as a boolean array.
<code>isnat(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Test element-wise for NaT (not a time) and return result as a boolean array.
<code>isneginf(x[, out])</code>	Test element-wise for negative infinity, return result as bool array.
<code>isposinf(x[, out])</code>	Test element-wise for positive infinity, return result as bool array.

`numpy.isfinite(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'isfinite'>`

Test element-wise for finiteness (not infinity and not Not a Number).

The result is returned as a boolean array.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input values.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray, bool] True where  $x$  is not positive infinity, negative infinity, or NaN; false otherwise.  
This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:**`isinf, isneginf, isposinf, isnan`

## Notes

Not a Number, positive infinity and negative infinity are considered to be non-finite.

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). This means that Not a Number is not equivalent to infinity. Also that positive infinity is not equivalent to negative infinity. But infinity is equivalent to positive infinity. Errors result if the second argument is also supplied when  $x$  is a scalar input, or if first and second arguments have different shapes.

## Examples

```
>>> np.isfinite(1)
True
>>> np.isfinite(0)
True
>>> np.isfinite(np.nan)
False
>>> np.isfinite(np.inf)
False
>>> np.isfinite(np.NINF)
False
>>> np.isfinite([np.log(-1.), 1., np.log(0)])
array([False,  True, False])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([-np.inf, 0., np.inf])
>>> y = np.array([2, 2, 2])
>>> np.isfinite(x, y)
array([0, 1, 0])
>>> y
array([0, 1, 0])
```

`numpy.isinf`( $x$ , /,  $out=None$ , \*,  $where=True$ ,  $casting='same\_kind'$ ,  $order='K'$ ,  $dtype=None$ ,  $subok=True$ [,  $signature$ ,  $extobj$ ]) = <ufunc 'isinf'>

Test element-wise for positive or negative infinity.

Returns a boolean array of the same shape as  $x$ , True where  $x == +/-inf$ , otherwise False.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input values

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None,

a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[bool (scalar) or boolean ndarray] True where *x* is positive or negative infinity, false otherwise. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

See also:

[\*isneginf\*](#), [\*isposinf\*](#), [\*isnan\*](#), [\*isfinite\*](#)

### Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754).

Errors result if the second argument is supplied when the first argument is a scalar, or if the first and second arguments have different shapes.

### Examples

```
>>> np.isinf(np.inf)
True
>>> np.isinf(np.nan)
False
>>> np.isinf(np.NINF)
True
>>> np.isinf([np.inf, -np.inf, 1.0, np.nan])
array([ True,  True, False, False])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([-np.inf, 0., np.inf])
>>> y = np.array([2, 2, 2])
>>> np.isinf(x, y)
array([1, 0, 1])
>>> y
array([1, 0, 1])
```

`numpy.isnan`(*x*, /, *out*=None, \*, *where*=True, *casting*=’same\_kind’, *order*=’K’, *dtype*=None, *subok*=True[, *signature*, *extobj*]) = <ufunc ‘isnan’>

Test element-wise for NaN and return result as a boolean array.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray or bool] True where *x* is NaN, false otherwise. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**See also:**

[\*isinf\*](#), [\*isneginf\*](#), [\*isposinf\*](#), [\*isfinite\*](#), [\*isnan\*](#)

**Notes**

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). This means that Not a Number is not equivalent to infinity.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.isnan(np.nan)
True
>>> np.isnan(np.inf)
False
>>> np.isnan([np.log(-1.), 1., np.log(0)])
array([ True, False, False])
```

```
numpy.isnan(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order'K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'isnan'>
```

Test element-wise for NaT (not a time) and return result as a boolean array.

New in version 1.13.0.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input array with datetime or timedelta data type.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray or bool] True where *x* is NaT, false otherwise. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**See also:**

[\*isnan\*](#), [\*isinf\*](#), [\*isneginf\*](#), [\*isposinf\*](#), [\*isfinite\*](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.isnat(np.datetime64("NaT"))
True
>>> np.isnat(np.datetime64("2016-01-01"))
False
>>> np.isnat(np.array(["NaT", "2016-01-01"], dtype="datetime64[ns]"))
array([ True, False])
```

`numpy.isneginf(x, out=None)`

Test element-wise for negative infinity, return result as bool array.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] The input array.

**out**

[array\_like, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the input broadcasts to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated boolean array is returned.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] A boolean array with the same dimensions as the input. If second argument is not supplied then a numpy boolean array is returned with values True where the corresponding

element of the input is negative infinity and values False where the element of the input is not negative infinity.

If a second argument is supplied the result is stored there. If the type of that array is a numeric type the result is represented as zeros and ones, if the type is boolean then as False and True. The return value *out* is then a reference to that array.

**See also:**

[`isinf`](#), [`isposinf`](#), [`isnan`](#), [`isfinite`](#)

## Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754).

Errors result if the second argument is also supplied when *x* is a scalar input, if first and second arguments have different shapes, or if the first argument has complex values.

## Examples

```
>>> np.isneginf(np.NINF)
True
>>> np.isneginf(np.inf)
False
>>> np.isneginf(np.PINF)
False
>>> np.isneginf([-np.inf, 0., np.inf])
array([ True, False, False])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([-np.inf, 0., np.inf])
>>> y = np.array([2, 2, 2])
>>> np.isneginf(x, y)
array([1, 0, 0])
>>> y
array([1, 0, 0])
```

`numpy.isposinf(x, out=None)`

Test element-wise for positive infinity, return result as bool array.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] The input array.

**out**

[array\_like, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the input broadcasts to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated boolean array is returned.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] A boolean array with the same dimensions as the input. If second argument is not supplied then a boolean array is returned with values True where the corresponding element of the input is positive infinity and values False where the element of the input is not positive infinity.

If a second argument is supplied the result is stored there. If the type of that array is a numeric type the result is represented as zeros and ones, if the type is boolean then as False and True. The return value *out* is then a reference to that array.

**See also:**

[\*isinf\*](#), [\*isneginf\*](#), [\*isfinite\*](#), [\*isnan\*](#)

## Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754).

Errors result if the second argument is also supplied when *x* is a scalar input, if first and second arguments have different shapes, or if the first argument has complex values

## Examples

```
>>> np.isposinf(np.PINF)
True
>>> np.isposinf(np.inf)
True
>>> np.isposinf(np.NINF)
False
>>> np.isposinf([-np.inf, 0., np.inf])
array([False, False, True])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([-np.inf, 0., np.inf])
>>> y = np.array([2, 2, 2])
>>> np.isposinf(x, y)
array([0, 0, 1])
>>> y
array([0, 0, 1])
```

### 5.16.3 Array type testing

<a href="#"><i>iscomplex</i>(x)</a>	Returns a bool array, where True if input element is complex.
<a href="#"><i>iscomplexobj</i>(x)</a>	Check for a complex type or an array of complex numbers.
<a href="#"><i>isfortran</i>(a)</a>	Check if the array is Fortran contiguous but <i>not</i> C contiguous.
<a href="#"><i>isreal</i>(x)</a>	Returns a bool array, where True if input element is real.
<a href="#"><i>isrealobj</i>(x)</a>	Return True if x is a not complex type or an array of complex numbers.
<a href="#"><i>isscalar</i>(element)</a>	Returns True if the type of <i>element</i> is a scalar type.

---

```
numpy.iscomplex(x)
```

Returns a bool array, where True if input element is complex.

What is tested is whether the input has a non-zero imaginary part, not if the input type is complex.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input array.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray of bools] Output array.

See also:

[\*isreal\*](#)

[\*iscomplexobj\*](#)

Return True if *x* is a complex type or an array of complex numbers.

## Examples

```
>>> np.iscomplex([1+1j, 1+0j, 4.5, 3, 2, 2j])
array([ True, False, False, False, False,  True])
```

```
numpy.iscomplexobj(x)
```

Check for a complex type or an array of complex numbers.

The type of the input is checked, not the value. Even if the input has an imaginary part equal to zero, *iscomplexobj* evaluates to True.

### Parameters

**x**

[any] The input can be of any type and shape.

### Returns

**iscomplexobj**

[bool] The return value, True if *x* is of a complex type or has at least one complex element.

See also:

[\*isrealobj\*](#), [\*iscomplex\*](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.iscomplexobj(1)
False
>>> np.iscomplexobj(1+0j)
True
>>> np.iscomplexobj([3, 1+0j, True])
True
```

`numpy.isfortran(a)`

Check if the array is Fortran contiguous but *not* C contiguous.

This function is obsolete and, because of changes due to relaxed stride checking, its return value for the same array may differ for versions of NumPy  $\geq 1.10.0$  and previous versions. If you only want to check if an array is Fortran contiguous use `a.flags.f_contiguous` instead.

### Parameters

**a**

[ndarray] Input array.

### Returns

#### **isfortran**

[bool] Returns True if the array is Fortran contiguous but *not* C contiguous.

## Examples

`np.array` allows to specify whether the array is written in C-contiguous order (last index varies the fastest), or FORTRAN-contiguous order in memory (first index varies the fastest).

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='C')
>>> a
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
>>> np.isfortran(a)
False
```

```
>>> b = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='F')
>>> b
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
>>> np.isfortran(b)
True
```

The transpose of a C-ordered array is a FORTRAN-ordered array.

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], order='C')
>>> a
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
>>> np.isfortran(a)
False
>>> b = a.T
```

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```
>>> b
array([[1, 4],
       [2, 5],
       [3, 6]])
>>> np.isfortran(b)
True
```

C-ordered arrays evaluate as False even if they are also FORTRAN-ordered.

```
>>> np.isfortran(np.array([1, 2], order='F'))
False
```

### `numpy.isreal(x)`

Returns a bool array, where True if input element is real.

If element has complex type with zero complex part, the return value for that element is True.

#### Parameters

`x`

[array\_like] Input array.

#### Returns

`out`

[ndarray, bool] Boolean array of same shape as `x`.

See also:

[`iscomplex`](#)

[`isrealobj`](#)

Return True if `x` is not a complex type.

#### Notes

`isreal` may behave unexpectedly for string or object arrays (see examples)

#### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1+1j, 1+0j, 4.5, 3, 2, 2j], dtype=complex)
>>> np.isreal(a)
array([False,  True,  True,  True,  True, False])
```

The function does not work on string arrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([2j, "a"], dtype="U")
>>> np.isreal(a)  # Warns about non-elementwise comparison
False
```

Returns True for all elements in input array of `dtype=object` even if any of the elements is complex.

```
>>> a = np.array([1, "2", 3+4j], dtype=object)
>>> np.isreal(a)
array([ True,  True,  True])
```

`isreal` should not be used with object arrays

```
>>> a = np.array([1+2j, 2+1j], dtype=object)
>>> np.isreal(a)
array([ True,  True])
```

## numpy.`isrealobj`(*x*)

Return True if *x* is a not complex type or an array of complex numbers.

The type of the input is checked, not the value. So even if the input has an imaginary part equal to zero, `isrealobj` evaluates to False if the data type is complex.

### Parameters

**x**

[any] The input can be of any type and shape.

### Returns

**y**

[bool] The return value, False if *x* is of a complex type.

### See also:

`iscomplexobj`, `isreal`

### Notes

The function is only meant for arrays with numerical values but it accepts all other objects. Since it assumes array input, the return value of other objects may be True.

```
>>> np.isrealobj('A string')
True
>>> np.isrealobj(False)
True
>>> np.isrealobj(None)
True
```

### Examples

```
>>> np.isrealobj(1)
True
>>> np.isrealobj(1+0j)
False
>>> np.isrealobj([3, 1+0j, True])
False
```

`numpy.isscalar(element)`

Returns True if the type of *element* is a scalar type.

### Parameters

#### element

[any] Input argument, can be of any type and shape.

### Returns

#### val

[bool] True if *element* is a scalar type, False if it is not.

### See also:

#### ndim

Get the number of dimensions of an array

### Notes

If you need a stricter way to identify a *numerical* scalar, use `isinstance(x, numbers.Number)`, as that returns False for most non-numerical elements such as strings.

In most cases `np.ndim(x) == 0` should be used instead of this function, as that will also return true for 0d arrays. This is how numpy overloads functions in the style of the `dx` arguments to `gradient` and the `bins` argument to `histogram`. Some key differences:

x	isscalar(x)	np.ndim(x) == 0
PEP 3141 numeric objects (including builtins)	True	True
builtin string and buffer objects	True	True
other builtin objects, like <code>pathlib.Path</code> , <code>Exception</code> , the result of <code>re.compile</code>	False	True
third-party objects like <code>matplotlib.figure.Figure</code>	False	True
zero-dimensional numpy arrays	False	True
other numpy arrays	False	False
<i>list</i> , <i>tuple</i> , and other sequence objects	False	False

### Examples

```
>>> np.isscalar(3.1)
True
>>> np.isscalar(np.array(3.1))
False
>>> np.isscalar([3.1])
False
>>> np.isscalar(False)
True
>>> np.isscalar('numpy')
True
```

NumPy supports PEP 3141 numbers:

```
>>> from fractions import Fraction
>>> np.isscalar(Fraction(5, 17))
True
>>> from numbers import Number
>>> np.isscalar(Number())
True
```

## 5.16.4 Logical operations

<code>logical_and(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Compute the truth value of x1 AND x2 element-wise.
<code>logical_or(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Compute the truth value of x1 OR x2 element-wise.
<code>logical_not(x, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Compute the truth value of NOT x element-wise.
<code>logical_xor(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Compute the truth value of x1 XOR x2, element-wise.

`numpy.logical_and(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'logical_and'>`

Compute the truth value of x1 AND x2 element-wise.

### Parameters

#### x1, x2

[array\_like] Input arrays. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray or bool] Boolean result of the logical AND operation applied to the elements of `x1` and `x2`; the shape is determined by broadcasting. This is a scalar if both `x1` and `x2` are scalars.

### See also:

`logical_or`, `logical_not`, `logical_xor`  
`bitwise_and`

## Examples

```
>>> np.logical_and(True, False)
False
>>> np.logical_and([True, False], [False, False])
array([False, False])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(5)
>>> np.logical_and(x>1, x<4)
array([False, False,  True,  True, False])
```

The & operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.logical_and` on boolean ndarrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([True, False])
>>> b = np.array([False, False])
>>> a & b
array([False, False])
```

`numpy.logical_or(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'logical_or'>`

Compute the truth value of  $x1$  OR  $x2$  element-wise.

### Parameters

#### x1, x2

[array\_like] Logical OR is applied to the elements of  $x1$  and  $x2$ . If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the  $out$  array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the  $out$  array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized  $out$  array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray or bool] Boolean result of the logical OR operation applied to the elements of  $x1$  and  $x2$ ; the shape is determined by broadcasting. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

### See also:

[`logical\_and`](#), [`logical\_not`](#), [`logical\_xor`](#)

**`bitwise_or`****Examples**

```
>>> np.logical_or(True, False)
True
>>> np.logical_or([True, False], [False, False])
array([ True, False])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(5)
>>> np.logical_or(x < 1, x > 3)
array([ True, False, False, False,  True])
```

The `|` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.logical_or` on boolean ndarrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([True, False])
>>> b = np.array([False, False])
>>> a | b
array([ True, False])
```

`numpy.logical_not`(*x*, /, *out=None*, \*, *where=True*, *casting='same\_kind'*, *order='K'*, *dtype=None*, *subok=True*[, *signature*, *extobj*]) = <ufunc 'logical\_not'>

Compute the truth value of NOT *x* element-wise.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Logical NOT is applied to the elements of *x*.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[bool or ndarray of bool] Boolean result with the same shape as *x* of the NOT operation on elements of *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**See also:**

`logical_and`, `logical_or`, `logical_xor`

## Examples

```
>>> np.logical_not(3)
False
>>> np.logical_not([True, False, 0, 1])
array([False,  True,  True, False])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(5)
>>> np.logical_not(x<3)
array([False, False, False,  True,  True])
```

`numpy.logical_xor(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'logical_xor'>`

Compute the truth value of  $x1 \oplus x2$ , element-wise.

### Parameters

#### `x1, x2`

[array\_like] Logical XOR is applied to the elements of  $x1$  and  $x2$ . If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### `out`

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### `where`

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### `**kwargs`

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### `y`

[bool or ndarray of bool] Boolean result of the logical XOR operation applied to the elements of  $x1$  and  $x2$ ; the shape is determined by broadcasting. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

### See also:

[`logical\_and`](#), [`logical\_or`](#), [`logical\_not`](#), [`bitwise\_xor`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.logical_xor(True, False)
True
>>> np.logical_xor([True, True, False, False], [True, False, True, False])
array([False, True, True, False])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(5)
>>> np.logical_xor(x < 1, x > 3)
array([ True, False, False, False,  True])
```

Simple example showing support of broadcasting

```
>>> np.logical_xor(0, np.eye(2))
array([[ True, False],
       [False,  True]])
```

## 5.16.5 Comparison

<code>allclose(a, b[, rtol, atol, equal_nan])</code>	Returns True if two arrays are element-wise equal within a tolerance.
<code>isclose(a, b[, rtol, atol, equal_nan])</code>	Returns a boolean array where two arrays are element-wise equal within a tolerance.
<code>array_equal(a1, a2[, equal_nan])</code>	True if two arrays have the same shape and elements, False otherwise.
<code>array_equiv(a1, a2)</code>	Returns True if input arrays are shape consistent and all elements equal.

`numpy.allclose (a, b, rtol=1e-05, atol=1e-08, equal_nan=False)`

Returns True if two arrays are element-wise equal within a tolerance.

The tolerance values are positive, typically very small numbers. The relative difference ( $rtol * \text{abs}(b)$ ) and the absolute difference  $atol$  are added together to compare against the absolute difference between  $a$  and  $b$ .

Nans are treated as equal if they are in the same place and if `equal_nan=True`. Infs are treated as equal if they are in the same place and of the same sign in both arrays.

### Parameters

#### `a, b`

[array\_like] Input arrays to compare.

#### `rtol`

[float] The relative tolerance parameter (see Notes).

#### `atol`

[float] The absolute tolerance parameter (see Notes).

#### `equal_nan`

[bool] Whether to compare NaN's as equal. If True, NaN's in  $a$  will be considered equal to NaN's in  $b$  in the output array.

New in version 1.10.0.

**Returns****allclose**

[bool] Returns True if the two arrays are equal within the given tolerance; False otherwise.

**See also:**

[isclose](#), [all](#), [any](#), [equal](#)

**Notes**

If the following equation is element-wise True, then `allclose` returns True.

$$\text{absolute}(a - b) \leq (\text{atol} + \text{rtol} * \text{absolute}(b))$$

The above equation is not symmetric in  $a$  and  $b$ , so that `allclose(a, b)` might be different from `allclose(b, a)` in some rare cases.

The comparison of  $a$  and  $b$  uses standard broadcasting, which means that  $a$  and  $b$  need not have the same shape in order for `allclose(a, b)` to evaluate to True. The same is true for `equal` but not `array_equal`.

`allclose` is not defined for non-numeric data types. `bool` is considered a numeric data-type for this purpose.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.allclose([1e10, 1e-7], [1.00001e10, 1e-8])
False
>>> np.allclose([1e10, 1e-8], [1.00001e10, 1e-9])
True
>>> np.allclose([1e10, 1e-8], [1.0001e10, 1e-9])
False
>>> np.allclose([1.0, np.nan], [1.0, np.nan])
False
>>> np.allclose([1.0, np.nan], [1.0, np.nan], equal_nan=True)
True
```

`numpy.isclose(a, b, rtol=1e-05, atol=1e-08, equal_nan=False)`

Returns a boolean array where two arrays are element-wise equal within a tolerance.

The tolerance values are positive, typically very small numbers. The relative difference ( $rtol * \text{abs}(b)$ ) and the absolute difference  $atol$  are added together to compare against the absolute difference between  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Warning:** The default  $atol$  is not appropriate for comparing numbers that are much smaller than one (see Notes).

**Parameters****a, b**

[array\_like] Input arrays to compare.

**rtol**

[float] The relative tolerance parameter (see Notes).

**atol**

[float] The absolute tolerance parameter (see Notes).

**equal\_nan**

[bool] Whether to compare NaN's as equal. If True, NaN's in *a* will be considered equal to NaN's in *b* in the output array.

**Returns****y**

[array\_like] Returns a boolean array of where *a* and *b* are equal within the given tolerance. If both *a* and *b* are scalars, returns a single boolean value.

**See also:**[allclose](#)[math.isclose](#)**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

For finite values, isclose uses the following equation to test whether two floating point values are equivalent.

$$\text{absolute}(a - b) \leq (\text{atol} + \text{rtol} * \text{absolute}(b))$$

Unlike the built-in `math.isclose`, the above equation is not symmetric in *a* and *b* – it assumes *b* is the reference value – so that `isclose(a, b)` might be different from `isclose(b, a)`. Furthermore, the default value of `atol` is not zero, and is used to determine what small values should be considered close to zero. The default value is appropriate for expected values of order unity: if the expected values are significantly smaller than one, it can result in false positives. `atol` should be carefully selected for the use case at hand. A zero value for `atol` will result in `False` if either *a* or *b* is zero.

`isclose` is not defined for non-numeric data types. `bool` is considered a numeric data-type for this purpose.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.isclose([1e10, 1e-7], [1.00001e10, 1e-8])
array([ True, False])
>>> np.isclose([1e10, 1e-8], [1.00001e10, 1e-9])
array([ True, True])
>>> np.isclose([1e10, 1e-8], [1.0001e10, 1e-9])
array([False, True])
>>> np.isclose([1.0, np.nan], [1.0, np.nan])
array([ True, False])
>>> np.isclose([1.0, np.nan], [1.0, np.nan], equal_nan=True)
array([ True, True])
>>> np.isclose([1e-8, 1e-7], [0.0, 0.0])
array([ True, False])
>>> np.isclose([1e-100, 1e-7], [0.0, 0.0], atol=0.0)
array([False, False])
>>> np.isclose([1e-10, 1e-10], [1e-20, 0.0])
array([ True, True])
```

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```
>>> np.isclose([1e-10, 1e-10], [1e-20, 0.999999e-10], atol=0.0)
array([False,  True])
```

`numpy.array_equal(a1, a2, equal_nan=False)`

True if two arrays have the same shape and elements, False otherwise.

### Parameters

**a1, a2**

[array\_like] Input arrays.

**equal\_nan**

[bool] Whether to compare NaN's as equal. If the dtype of a1 and a2 is complex, values will be considered equal if either the real or the imaginary component of a given value is nan.

New in version 1.19.0.

### Returns

**b**

[bool] Returns True if the arrays are equal.

See also:

`allclose`

Returns True if two arrays are element-wise equal within a tolerance.

`array_equiv`

Returns True if input arrays are shape consistent and all elements equal.

### Examples

```
>>> np.array_equal([1, 2], [1, 2])
True
>>> np.array_equal(np.array([1, 2]), np.array([1, 2]))
True
>>> np.array_equal([1, 2], [1, 2, 3])
False
>>> np.array_equal([1, 2], [1, 4])
False
>>> a = np.array([1, np.nan])
>>> np.array_equal(a, a)
False
>>> np.array_equal(a, a, equal_nan=True)
True
```

When `equal_nan` is True, complex values with nan components are considered equal if either the real *or* the imaginary components are nan.

```
>>> a = np.array([1 + 1j])
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> a.real = np.nan
>>> b.imag = np.nan
>>> np.array_equal(a, b, equal_nan=True)
True
```

`numpy.array_equiv(a1, a2)`

Returns True if input arrays are shape consistent and all elements equal.

Shape consistent means they are either the same shape, or one input array can be broadcasted to create the same shape as the other one.

#### Parameters

`a1, a2`

[array\_like] Input arrays.

#### Returns

`out`

[bool] True if equivalent, False otherwise.

#### Examples

```
>>> np.array_equiv([1, 2], [1, 2])
True
>>> np.array_equiv([1, 2], [1, 3])
False
```

Showing the shape equivalence:

```
>>> np.array_equiv([1, 2], [[1, 2], [1, 2]])
True
>>> np.array_equiv([1, 2], [[1, 2, 1, 2], [1, 2, 1, 2]])
False
```

```
>>> np.array_equiv([1, 2], [[1, 2], [1, 3]])
False
```

<code>greater(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the truth value of ( $x1 > x2$ ) element-wise.
<code>greater_equal(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Return the truth value of ( $x1 \geq x2$ ) element-wise.
<code>less(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the truth value of ( $x1 < x2$ ) element-wise.
<code>less_equal(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the truth value of ( $x1 \leq x2$ ) element-wise.
<code>equal(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return ( $x1 == x2$ ) element-wise.
<code>not_equal(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return ( $x1 != x2$ ) element-wise.

`numpy.greater(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'greater'>`

Return the truth value of ( $x1 > x2$ ) element-wise.

#### Parameters

**x1, x2**

[array\_like] Input arrays. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Output array, element-wise comparison of  $x1$  and  $x2$ . Typically of type bool, unless *dtype=object* is passed. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**See also:**

[`greater\_equal`](#), [`less`](#), [`less\_equal`](#), [`equal`](#), [`not\_equal`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.greater([4, 2], [2, 2])
array([ True, False])
```

The `>` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.greater` on ndarrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([4, 2])
>>> b = np.array([2, 2])
>>> a > b
array([ True, False])
```

`numpy.greater_equal(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'greater_equal'>`

Return the truth value of  $(x1 \geq x2)$  element-wise.

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like] Input arrays. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[bool or ndarray of bool] Output array, element-wise comparison of *x1* and *x2*. Typically of type bool, unless *dtype*=object is passed. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

**See also:**

[`greater`](#), [`less`](#), [`less\_equal`](#), [`equal`](#), [`not\_equal`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.greater_equal([4, 2, 1], [2, 2, 2])
array([ True, True, False])
```

The `>=` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.greater_equal` on ndarrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([4, 2, 1])
>>> b = np.array([2, 2, 2])
>>> a >= b
array([ True, True, False])
```

`numpy.less(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'less'>`

Return the truth value of (*x1* < *x2*) element-wise.

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like] Input arrays. If *x1*.shape != *x2*.shape, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Output array, element-wise comparison of *x1* and *x2*. Typically of type bool, unless *dtype=object* is passed. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

**See also:**

[greater](#), [less\\_equal](#), [greater\\_equal](#), [equal](#), [not\\_equal](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.less([1, 2], [2, 2])
array([ True, False])
```

The < operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.less` on ndarrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2])
>>> b = np.array([2, 2])
>>> a < b
array([ True, False])
```

`numpy.less_equal(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'less_equal'>`

Return the truth value of (*x1* <= *x2*) element-wise.

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like] Input arrays. If *x1.shape* != *x2.shape*, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Output array, element-wise comparison of  $x1$  and  $x2$ . Typically of type bool, unless `dtype=object` is passed. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**See also:**

[`greater`](#), [`less`](#), [`greater\_equal`](#), [`equal`](#), [`not\_equal`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.less_equal([4, 2, 1], [2, 2, 2])
array([False, True, True])
```

The `<=` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.less_equal` on ndarrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([4, 2, 1])
>>> b = np.array([2, 2, 2])
>>> a <= b
array([False, True, True])
```

`numpy.equal(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'equal'>`

Return  $(x1 == x2)$  element-wise.

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like] Input arrays. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Output array, element-wise comparison of  $x1$  and  $x2$ . Typically of type bool, unless dtype=object is passed. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**See also:**

[not\\_equal](#), [greater\\_equal](#), [less\\_equal](#), [greater](#), [less](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.equal([0, 1, 3], np.arange(3))
array([ True,  True, False])
```

What is compared are values, not types. So an int (1) and an array of length one can evaluate as True:

```
>>> np.equal(1, np.ones(1))
array([ True])
```

The == operator can be used as a shorthand for np.equal on ndarrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([2, 4, 6])
>>> b = np.array([2, 4, 2])
>>> a == b
array([ True,  True, False])
```

`numpy.not_equal(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'not_equal'>`

Return ( $x1 \neq x2$ ) element-wise.

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like] Input arrays. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Output array, element-wise comparison of  $x1$  and  $x2$ . Typically of type bool, unless dtype=object is passed. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

See also:

[equal](#), [greater](#), [greater\\_equal](#), [less](#), [less\\_equal](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.not_equal([1., 2.], [1., 3.])
array([False,  True])
>>> np.not_equal([1, 2], [[1, 3],[1, 4]])
array([[False,  True],
       [False,  True]])
```

The != operator can be used as a shorthand for np.not\_equal on ndarrays.

```
>>> a = np.array([1., 2.])
>>> b = np.array([1., 3.])
>>> a != b
array([False,  True])
```

## 5.17 Mathematical functions

### 5.17.1 Trigonometric functions

<code>sin(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Trigonometric sine, element-wise.
<code>cos(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Cosine element-wise.
<code>tan(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute tangent element-wise.
<code>arcsin(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Inverse sine, element-wise.
<code>arccos(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Trigonometric inverse cosine, element-wise.
<code>arctan(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Trigonometric inverse tangent, element-wise.
<code>hypot(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Given the "legs" of a right triangle, return its hypotenuse.
<code>arctan2(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise arc tangent of $x1/x2$ choosing the quadrant correctly.
<code>degrees(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Convert angles from radians to degrees.
<code>radians(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Convert angles from degrees to radians.
<code>unwrap(p[, discont, axis, period])</code>	Unwrap by taking the complement of large deltas with respect to the period.
<code>deg2rad(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Convert angles from degrees to radians.
<code>rad2deg(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Convert angles from radians to degrees.

numpy.sin(x, /[, out=None, \*, where=True, casting='same\_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]]) = <ufunc 'sin'>

Trigonometric sine, element-wise.

#### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Angle, in radians ( $2\pi$  rad equals 360 degrees).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[array\_like] The sine of each element of *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**See also:**

[\*arcsin\*](#), [\*sinh\*](#), [\*cos\*](#)

**Notes**

The sine is one of the fundamental functions of trigonometry (the mathematical study of triangles). Consider a circle of radius 1 centered on the origin. A ray comes in from the  $+x$  axis, makes an angle at the origin (measured counter-clockwise from that axis), and departs from the origin. The  $y$  coordinate of the outgoing ray's intersection with the unit circle is the sine of that angle. It ranges from -1 for  $x = 3\pi/2$  to +1 for  $\pi/2$ . The function has zeroes where the angle is a multiple of  $\pi$ . Sines of angles between  $\pi$  and  $2\pi$  are negative. The numerous properties of the sine and related functions are included in any standard trigonometry text.

**Examples**

Print sine of one angle:

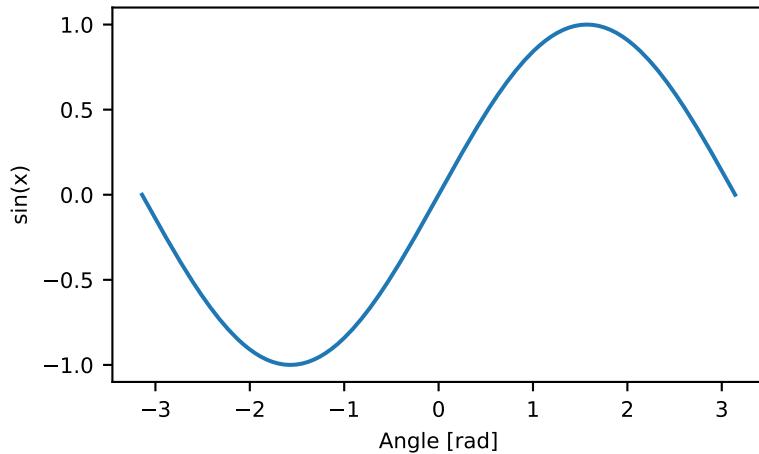
```
>>> np.sin(np.pi/2.)
1.0
```

Print sines of an array of angles given in degrees:

```
>>> np.sin(np.array((0., 30., 45., 60., 90.)) * np.pi / 180.)
array([ 0.           ,  0.5          ,  0.70710678,  0.8660254 ,  1.         ])
```

Plot the sine function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x = np.linspace(-np.pi, np.pi, 201)
>>> plt.plot(x, np.sin(x))
>>> plt.xlabel('Angle [rad]')
>>> plt.ylabel('sin(x)')
>>> plt.axis('tight')
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.cos(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'cos'>`

Cosine element-wise.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input array in radians.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray] The corresponding cosine values. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

## Notes

If  $out$  is provided, the function writes the result into it, and returns a reference to  $out$ . (See Examples)

## References

M. Abramowitz and I. A. Stegun, Handbook of Mathematical Functions. New York, NY: Dover, 1972.

## Examples

```
>>> np.cos(np.array([0, np.pi/2, np.pi]))
array([-1.0000000e+00,  6.12303177e-17, -1.0000000e+00])
>>>
>>> # Example of providing the optional output parameter
>>> out1 = np.array([0], dtype='d')
>>> out2 = np.cos([0.1], out1)
>>> out2 is out1
True
>>>
>>> # Example of ValueError due to provision of shape mis-matched `out`
>>> np.cos(np.zeros((3,3)),np.zeros((2,2)))
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: operands could not be broadcast together with shapes (3,3) (2,2)
```

`numpy.tan(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'tan'>`

Compute tangent element-wise.

Equivalent to `np.sin(x)/np.cos(x)` element-wise.

## Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the  $out$  array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the  $out$  array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized  $out$  array is created via the default  $out=None$ , locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] The corresponding tangent values. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**Notes**

If *out* is provided, the function writes the result into it, and returns a reference to *out*. (See Examples)

**References**

M. Abramowitz and I. A. Stegun, Handbook of Mathematical Functions. New York, NY: Dover, 1972.

**Examples**

```
>>> from math import pi
>>> np.tan(np.array([-pi,pi/2,pi]))
array([-1.22460635e-16,  1.63317787e+16, -1.22460635e-16])
>>>
>>> # Example of providing the optional output parameter illustrating
>>> # that what is returned is a reference to said parameter
>>> out1 = np.array([0], dtype='d')
>>> out2 = np.cos([0.1], out1)
>>> out2 is out1
True
>>>
>>> # Example of ValueError due to provision of shape mis-matched `out`
>>> np.cos(np.zeros((3,3)),np.zeros((2,2)))
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: operands could not be broadcast together with shapes (3,3) (2,2)
```

`numpy.arcsin(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'arcsin'>`

Inverse sine, element-wise.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] y-coordinate on the unit circle.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****angle**

[ndarray] The inverse sine of each element in *x*, in radians and in the closed interval  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ . This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**See also:**

[\*sin\*](#), [\*cos\*](#), [\*arccos\*](#), [\*tan\*](#), [\*arctan\*](#), [\*arctan2\*](#), [\*emath.arcsin\*](#)

**Notes**

[\*arcsin\*](#) is a multivalued function: for each *x* there are infinitely many numbers *z* such that  $\sin(z) = x$ . The convention is to return the angle *z* whose real part lies in  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ .

For real-valued input data types, [\*arcsin\*](#) always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields *nan* and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, [\*arcsin\*](#) is a complex analytic function that has, by convention, the branch cuts  $[-\inf, -1]$  and  $[1, \inf]$  and is continuous from above on the former and from below on the latter.

The inverse sine is also known as *asin* or  $\sin^{-1}$ .

**References**

Abramowitz, M. and Stegun, I. A., *Handbook of Mathematical Functions*, 10th printing, New York: Dover, 1964, pp. 79ff. [https://personal.math.ubc.ca/~cbm/aands/page\\_79.htm](https://personal.math.ubc.ca/~cbm/aands/page_79.htm)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.arcsin(1)      # pi/2
1.5707963267948966
>>> np.arcsin(-1)    # -pi/2
-1.5707963267948966
>>> np.arcsin(0)
0.0
```

`numpy.arccos(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'arccos'>`

Trigonometric inverse cosine, element-wise.

The inverse of [\*cos\*](#) so that, if  $y = \cos(x)$ , then  $x = \arccos(y)$ .

**Parameters**

**x**

[array\_like]  $x$ -coordinate on the unit circle. For real arguments, the domain is [-1, 1].

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****angle**

[ndarray] The angle of the ray intersecting the unit circle at the given  $x$ -coordinate in radians [0, pi]. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:**

[`cos`](#), [`arctan`](#), [`arcsin`](#), [`emath.arccos`](#)

**Notes**

[`arccos`](#) is a multivalued function: for each  $x$  there are infinitely many numbers  $z$  such that  $\cos(z) = x$ . The convention is to return the angle  $z$  whose real part lies in [0, pi].

For real-valued input data types, [`arccos`](#) always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields nan and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, [`arccos`](#) is a complex analytic function that has branch cuts [-inf, -1] and [1, inf] and is continuous from above on the former and from below on the latter.

The inverse [`cos`](#) is also known as `acos` or `cos^-1`.

**References**

M. Abramowitz and I.A. Stegun, “Handbook of Mathematical Functions”, 10th printing, 1964, pp. 79. [https://personal.math.ubc.ca/~cbm/aands/page\\_79.htm](https://personal.math.ubc.ca/~cbm/aands/page_79.htm)

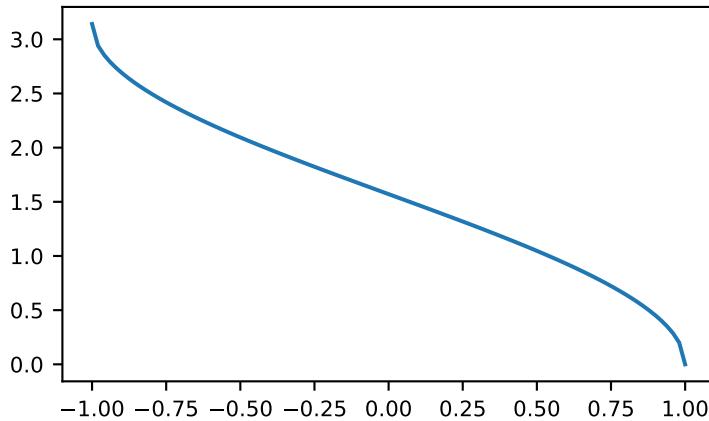
## Examples

We expect the arccos of 1 to be 0, and of -1 to be pi:

```
>>> np.arccos([1, -1])
array([ 0.           ,  3.14159265])
```

Plot arccos:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x = np.linspace(-1, 1, num=100)
>>> plt.plot(x, np.arccos(x))
>>> plt.axis('tight')
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.arctan(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'arctan'>`

Trigonometric inverse tangent, element-wise.

The inverse of tan, so that if  $y = \tan(x)$  then  $x = \arctan(y)$ .

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like]

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain

its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Out has the same shape as `x`. Its real part is in  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$  (`arctan (+/-inf)` returns  $+/-\pi/2$ ). This is a scalar if `x` is a scalar.

### See also:

#### `arctan2`

The “four quadrant” arctan of the angle formed by  $(x, y)$  and the positive  $x$ -axis.

#### `angle`

Argument of complex values.

### Notes

`arctan` is a multi-valued function: for each `x` there are infinitely many numbers `z` such that  $\tan(z) = x$ . The convention is to return the angle `z` whose real part lies in  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ .

For real-valued input data types, `arctan` always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields `nan` and sets the `invalid` floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, `arctan` is a complex analytic function that has  $[1j, \inf j]$  and  $[-1j, -\inf j]$  as branch cuts, and is continuous from the left on the former and from the right on the latter.

The inverse tangent is also known as `atan` or  $\tan^{-1}$ .

### References

Abramowitz, M. and Stegun, I. A., *Handbook of Mathematical Functions*, 10th printing, New York: Dover, 1964, pp. 79. [https://personal.math.ubc.ca/~cbm/aands/page\\_79.htm](https://personal.math.ubc.ca/~cbm/aands/page_79.htm)

### Examples

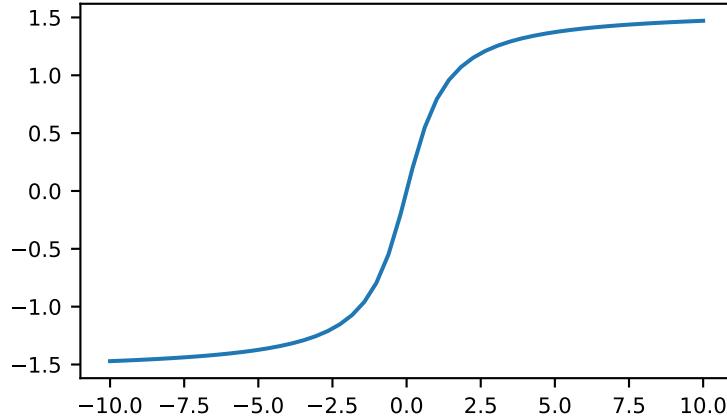
We expect the arctan of 0 to be 0, and of 1 to be  $\pi/4$ :

```
>>> np.arctan([0, 1])
array([ 0.          ,  0.78539816])
```

```
>>> np.pi/4
0.78539816339744828
```

Plot arctan:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x = np.linspace(-10, 10)
>>> plt.plot(x, np.arctan(x))
>>> plt.axis('tight')
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.hypot`(*x1*, *x2*, /, *out*=None, \*, *where*=True, *casting*='same\_kind', *order*='K', *dtype*=None, *subok*=True[, *signature*, *extobj*]) = <ufunc 'hypot'>

Given the “legs” of a right triangle, return its hypotenuse.

Equivalent to `sqrt(x1**2 + x2**2)`, element-wise. If *x1* or *x2* is scalar\_like (i.e., unambiguously castable to a scalar type), it is broadcast for use with each element of the other argument. (See Examples)

### Parameters

#### **x1, x2**

[array\_like] Leg of the triangle(s). If *x1*.shape != *x2*.shape, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### **out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### **where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### **\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### >Returns

**z**

[ndarray] The hypotenuse of the triangle(s). This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

## Examples

```
>>> np.hypot(3*np.ones((3, 3)), 4*np.ones((3, 3)))
array([[ 5.,  5.,  5.],
       [ 5.,  5.,  5.],
       [ 5.,  5.,  5.]])
```

Example showing broadcast of scalar\_like argument:

```
>>> np.hypot(3*np.ones((3, 3)), [4])
array([[ 5.,  5.,  5.],
       [ 5.,  5.,  5.],
       [ 5.,  5.,  5.]])
```

`numpy.arctan2(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'arctan2'>`

Element-wise arc tangent of  $x1/x2$  choosing the quadrant correctly.

The quadrant (i.e., branch) is chosen so that  $\text{arctan2}(x1, x2)$  is the signed angle in radians between the ray ending at the origin and passing through the point  $(1,0)$ , and the ray ending at the origin and passing through the point  $(x2, x1)$ . (Note the role reversal: the “y-coordinate” is the first function parameter, the “x-coordinate” is the second.) By IEEE convention, this function is defined for  $x2 = +/-0$  and for either or both of  $x1$  and  $x2 = +/-inf$  (see Notes for specific values).

This function is not defined for complex-valued arguments; for the so-called argument of complex values, use `angle`.

## Parameters

### x1

[array\_like, real-valued] y-coordinates.

### x2

[array\_like, real-valued] x-coordinates. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possibly only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****angle**

[ndarray] Array of angles in radians, in the range  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**See also:**

[`arctan`](#), [`tan`](#), [`angle`](#)

**Notes**

`arctan2` is identical to the `atan2` function of the underlying C library. The following special values are defined in the C standard: [1]

$x1$	$x2$	$\text{arctan2}(x1, x2)$
$+/- 0$	$+0$	$+/- 0$
$+/- 0$	$-0$	$+/- \pi$
$> 0$	$+/-\infty$	$+0 / +\pi$
$< 0$	$+/-\infty$	$-0 / -\pi$
$+/\infty$	$+\infty$	$+/- (\pi/4)$
$+/\infty$	$-\infty$	$+/- (3\pi/4)$

Note that  $+0$  and  $-0$  are distinct floating point numbers, as are  $+\infty$  and  $-\infty$ .

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

Consider four points in different quadrants:

```
>>> x = np.array([-1, +1, +1, -1])
>>> y = np.array([-1, -1, +1, +1])
>>> np.arctan2(y, x) * 180 / np.pi
array([-135., -45., 45., 135.])
```

Note the order of the parameters. `arctan2` is defined also when  $x2 = 0$  and at several other special points, obtaining values in the range  $[-\pi, \pi]$ :

```
>>> np.arctan2([1., -1.], [0., 0.])
array([ 1.57079633, -1.57079633])
>>> np.arctan2([0., 0., np.inf], [+0., -0., np.inf])
array([0. , 3.14159265, 0.78539816])
```

`numpy.degrees`( $x$ ,  $/$ ,  $out=None$ ,  $*$ ,  $where=True$ ,  $casting='same\_kind'$ ,  $order='K'$ ,  $dtype=None$ ,  $subok=True$ [  
 $signature$ ,  $extobj$ ]) = <ufunc 'degrees'>

Convert angles from radians to degrees.

**Parameters**

**x**

[array\_like] Input array in radians.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

## Returns

**y**

[ndarray of floats] The corresponding degree values; if *out* was supplied this is a reference to it. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

## See also:

[\*\*\*rad2deg\*\*\*](#)

equivalent function

## Examples

Convert a radian array to degrees

```
>>> rad = np.arange(12.)*np.pi/6
>>> np.degrees(rad)
array([ 0.,  30.,  60.,  90., 120., 150., 180., 210., 240.,
       270., 300., 330.])
```

```
>>> out = np.zeros((rad.shape))
>>> r = np.degrees(rad, out)
>>> np.all(r == out)
True
```

`numpy.radians(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'radians'>`

Convert angles from degrees to radians.

## Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input array in degrees.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] The corresponding radian values. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**See also:**[\*\*deg2rad\*\*](#)

equivalent function

**Examples**

Convert a degree array to radians

```
>>> deg = np.arange(12.) * 30.
>>> np.radians(deg)
array([ 0.          ,  0.52359878,  1.04719755,  1.57079633,  2.0943951 ,
       2.61799388,  3.14159265,  3.66519143,  4.1887902 ,  4.71238898,
       5.23598776,  5.75958653])
```

```
>>> out = np.zeros((deg.shape))
>>> ret = np.radians(deg, out)
>>> ret is out
True
```

`numpy.unwrap(p, discont=None, axis=-1, *, period=6.283185307179586)`

Unwrap by taking the complement of large deltas with respect to the period.

This unwraps a signal *p* by changing elements which have an absolute difference from their predecessor of more than `max(discont, period/2)` to their *period*-complementary values.

For the default case where *period* is  $2\pi$  and *discont* is  $\pi$ , this unwraps a radian phase *p* such that adjacent differences are never greater than  $\pi$  by adding  $2k\pi$  for some integer *k*.

**Parameters****p**

[array\_like] Input array.

**discont**

[float, optional] Maximum discontinuity between values, default is `period/2`. Values below `period/2` are treated as if they were `period/2`. To have an effect different from the default, `discont` should be larger than `period/2`.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which unwrap will operate, default is the last axis.

**period**

[float, optional] Size of the range over which the input wraps. By default, it is  $2 \pi$ .

New in version 1.21.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Output array.

**See also:**

[`rad2deg`, `deg2rad`](#)

**Notes**

If the discontinuity in  $p$  is smaller than `period/2`, but larger than `discont`, no unwrapping is done because taking the complement would only make the discontinuity larger.

**Examples**

```
>>> phase = np.linspace(0, np.pi, num=5)
>>> phase[3:] += np.pi
>>> phase
array([ 0.          ,  0.78539816,  1.57079633,  5.49778714,  6.28318531]) # may vary
>>> np.unwrap(phase)
array([ 0.          ,  0.78539816,  1.57079633, -0.78539816,  0.          ]) # may vary
>>> np.unwrap([0, 1, 2, -1, 0], period=4)
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> np.unwrap([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1, 2, 3], period=6)
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> np.unwrap([2, 3, 4, 5, 2, 3, 4, 5], period=4)
array([2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> phase_deg = np.mod(np.linspace(0, 720, 19), 360) - 180
>>> np.unwrap(phase_deg, period=360)
array([-180., -140., -100., -60., -20.,  20.,  60.,  100.,  140.,
       180.,  220.,  260.,  300.,  340.,  380.,  420.,  460.,  500.,
       540.])
```

`numpy.deg2rad(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'deg2rad'>`

Convert angles from degrees to radians.

## Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Angles in degrees.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

## Returns

**y**

[ndarray] The corresponding angle in radians. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

See also:

[`rad2deg`](#)

Convert angles from radians to degrees.

[`unwrap`](#)

Remove large jumps in angle by wrapping.

## Notes

New in version 1.3.0.

`deg2rad(x)` is `x * pi / 180.`

## Examples

```
>>> np.deg2rad(180)
3.1415926535897931
```

```
numpy.deg2rad(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'deg2rad'>
```

Convert angles from radians to degrees.

## Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Angle in radians.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] The corresponding angle in degrees. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**See also:**[\*\*deg2rad\*\*](#)

Convert angles from degrees to radians.

[\*\*unwrap\*\*](#)

Remove large jumps in angle by wrapping.

**Notes**

New in version 1.3.0.

`rad2deg(x)` is  $180 * x / \pi$ .

**Examples**

```
>>> np.rad2deg(np.pi/2)
90.0
```

## 5.17.2 Hyperbolic functions

<code>sinh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Hyperbolic sine, element-wise.
<code>cosh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Hyperbolic cosine, element-wise.
<code>tanh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute hyperbolic tangent element-wise.
<code>arcsinh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Inverse hyperbolic sine element-wise.
<code>arccosh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Inverse hyperbolic cosine, element-wise.
<code>arctanh(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Inverse hyperbolic tangent element-wise.

`numpy.sinh(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'sinh'>`

Hyperbolic sine, element-wise.

Equivalent to  $1/2 * (\text{np.exp}(x) - \text{np.exp}(-x))$  or  $-1j * \text{np.sin}(1j*x)$ .

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input array.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray] The corresponding hyperbolic sine values. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

### Notes

If *out* is provided, the function writes the result into it, and returns a reference to *out*. (See Examples)

## References

M. Abramowitz and I. A. Stegun, Handbook of Mathematical Functions. New York, NY: Dover, 1972, pg. 83.

## Examples

```
>>> np.sinh(0)
0.0
>>> np.sinh(np.pi*1j/2)
1j
>>> np.sinh(np.pi*1j) # (exact value is 0)
1.2246063538223773e-016j
>>> # Discrepancy due to vagaries of floating point arithmetic.
```

```
>>> # Example of providing the optional output parameter
>>> out1 = np.array([0], dtype='d')
>>> out2 = np.sinh([0.1], out1)
>>> out2 is out1
True
```

```
>>> # Example of ValueError due to provision of shape mis-matched `out`
>>> np.sinh(np.zeros((3,3)),np.zeros((2,2)))
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: operands could not be broadcast together with shapes (3,3) (2,2)
```

`numpy.cosh(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'cosh'>`

Hyperbolic cosine, element-wise.

Equivalent to  $1/2 * (\text{np.exp}(x) + \text{np.exp}(-x))$  and `np.cos(1j*x)`.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possibly only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**out**

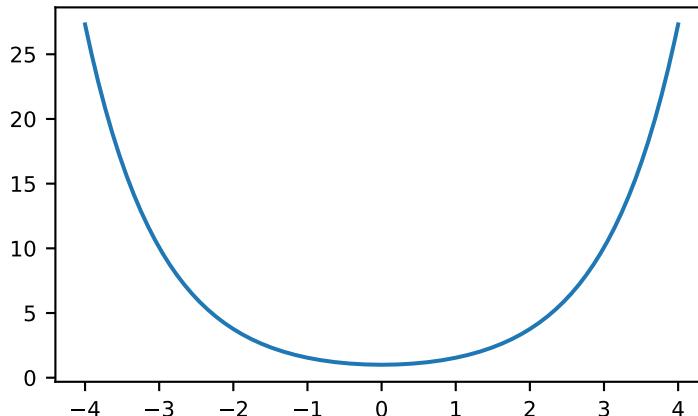
[ndarray or scalar] Output array of same shape as  $x$ . This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.cosh(0)
1.0
```

The hyperbolic cosine describes the shape of a hanging cable:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x = np.linspace(-4, 4, 1000)
>>> plt.plot(x, np.cosh(x))
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.tanh(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'tanh'>`

Compute hyperbolic tangent element-wise.

Equivalent to `np.sinh(x) / np.cosh(x)` or `-1j * np.tan(1j*x)`.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray] The corresponding hyperbolic tangent values. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

### Notes

If *out* is provided, the function writes the result into it, and returns a reference to *out*. (See Examples)

### References

[1], [2]

### Examples

```
>>> np.tanh((0, np.pi*1j, np.pi*1j/2))
array([ 0. +0.00000000e+00j,  0. -1.22460635e-16j,  0. +1.63317787e+16j])
```

```
>>> # Example of providing the optional output parameter illustrating
>>> # that what is returned is a reference to said parameter
>>> out1 = np.array([0], dtype='d')
>>> out2 = np.tanh([0.1], out1)
>>> out2 is out1
True
```

```
>>> # Example of ValueError due to provision of shape mis-matched `out`
>>> np.tanh(np.zeros((3,3)),np.zeros((2,2)))
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
ValueError: operands could not be broadcast together with shapes (3,3) (2,2)
```

numpy.**arcsinh**(*x*, /, *out=None*, \*, *where=True*, *casting='same\_kind'*, *order='K'*, *dtype=None*, *subok=True*[, *signature*, *extobj*]) = <ufunc 'arcsinh'>

Inverse hyperbolic sine element-wise.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None,

a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

#### Returns

##### out

[ndarray or scalar] Array of the same shape as *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

#### Notes

*arcsinh* is a multivalued function: for each *x* there are infinitely many numbers *z* such that  $\sinh(z) = x$ . The convention is to return the *z* whose imaginary part lies in  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ .

For real-valued input data types, *arcsinh* always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it returns nan and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, *arccos* is a complex analytical function that has branch cuts  $[1j, infj]$  and  $[-1j, -infj]$  and is continuous from the right on the former and from the left on the latter.

The inverse hyperbolic sine is also known as *asinh* or  $\sinh^{-1}$ .

#### References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

#### Examples

```
>>> np.arcsinh(np.array([np.e, 10.0]))
array([ 1.72538256,  2.99822295])
```

```
numpy.arccosh(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'arccosh'>
```

Inverse hyperbolic cosine, element-wise.

#### Parameters

##### x

[array\_like] Input array.

##### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None,

a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

#### Returns

##### arccosh

[ndarray] Array of the same shape as *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

#### See also:

[\*cosh\*](#), [\*arcsinh\*](#), [\*sinh\*](#), [\*arctanh\*](#), [\*tanh\*](#)

#### Notes

*arccosh* is a multivalued function: for each *x* there are infinitely many numbers *z* such that  $\cosh(z) = x$ . The convention is to return the *z* whose imaginary part lies in  $[-\pi, \pi]$  and the real part in  $[0, \infty]$ .

For real-valued input data types, *arccosh* always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields nan and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, *arccosh* is a complex analytical function that has a branch cut  $[-\inf, 1]$  and is continuous from above on it.

#### References

[1], [2]

#### Examples

```
>>> np.arccosh([np.e, 10.0])
array([ 1.65745445,  2.99322285])
>>> np.arccosh(1)
0.0
```

```
numpy.arctanh(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'arctanh'>
```

Inverse hyperbolic tangent element-wise.

#### Parameters

##### x

[array\_like] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Array of the same shape as *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**See also:**

[`emath.arctanh`](#)

**Notes**

`arctanh` is a multivalued function: for each *x* there are infinitely many numbers *z* such that  $\tanh(z) = x$ . The convention is to return the *z* whose imaginary part lies in  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ .

For real-valued input data types, `arctanh` always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields nan and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, `arctanh` is a complex analytical function that has branch cuts  $[-1, -\inf]$  and  $[1, \inf]$  and is continuous from above on the former and from below on the latter.

The inverse hyperbolic tangent is also known as `atanh` or `tanh^-1`.

**References**

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.arctanh([0, -0.5])
array([ 0.          , -0.54930614])
```

### 5.17.3 Rounding

<code>around(a[, decimals, out])</code>	Evenly round to the given number of decimals.
<code>round_(a[, decimals, out])</code>	Round an array to the given number of decimals.
<code>rint(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Round elements of the array to the nearest integer.
<code>fix(x[, out])</code>	Round to nearest integer towards zero.
<code>floor(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the floor of the input, element-wise.
<code>ceil(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the ceiling of the input, element-wise.
<code>trunc(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the truncated value of the input, element-wise.

`numpy.around(a, decimals=0, out=None)`

Evenly round to the given number of decimals.

#### Parameters

##### a

[array\_like] Input data.

##### decimals

[int, optional] Number of decimal places to round to (default: 0). If decimals is negative, it specifies the number of positions to the left of the decimal point.

##### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type of the output values will be cast if necessary. See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

#### Returns

##### rounded\_array

[ndarray] An array of the same type as *a*, containing the rounded values. Unless *out* was specified, a new array is created. A reference to the result is returned.

The real and imaginary parts of complex numbers are rounded separately. The result of rounding a float is a float.

#### See also:

##### `ndarray.round`

equivalent method

##### `ceil, fix, floor, rint, trunc`

## Notes

For values exactly halfway between rounded decimal values, NumPy rounds to the nearest even value. Thus 1.5 and 2.5 round to 2.0, -0.5 and 0.5 round to 0.0, etc.

`np.around` uses a fast but sometimes inexact algorithm to round floating-point datatypes. For positive *decimals* it is equivalent to `np.true_divide(np.rint(a * 10**decimals), 10**decimals)`, which has error due to the inexact representation of decimal fractions in the IEEE floating point standard [1] and errors introduced when scaling by powers of ten. For instance, note the extra “1” in the following:

```
>>> np.round(56294995342131.5, 3)
56294995342131.51
```

If your goal is to print such values with a fixed number of decimals, it is preferable to use numpy’s float printing routines to limit the number of printed decimals:

```
>>> np.format_float_positional(56294995342131.5, precision=3)
'56294995342131.5'
```

The float printing routines use an accurate but much more computationally demanding algorithm to compute the number of digits after the decimal point.

Alternatively, Python’s builtin `round` function uses a more accurate but slower algorithm for 64-bit floating point values:

```
>>> round(56294995342131.5, 3)
56294995342131.5
>>> np.round(16.055, 2), round(16.055, 2)  # equals 16.054999999999997
(16.06, 16.05)
```

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> np.around([0.37, 1.64])
array([0., 2.])
>>> np.around([0.37, 1.64], decimals=1)
array([0.4, 1.6])
>>> np.around([.5, 1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4.5]) # rounds to nearest even value
array([0., 2., 2., 4., 4.])
>>> np.around([1,2,3,11], decimals=1) # ndarray of ints is returned
array([ 1,  2,  3, 11])
>>> np.around([1,2,3,11], decimals=-1)
array([ 0,  0,  0, 10])
```

`numpy.round_(a, decimals=0, out=None)`

Round an array to the given number of decimals.

**See also:**

`around`

equivalent function; see for details.

---

```
numpy.rint(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature,
extobj]) = <ufunc 'rint'>
```

Round elements of the array to the nearest integer.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input array.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Output array is same shape and type as *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

### See also:

[`fix`](#), [`ceil`](#), [`floor`](#), [`trunc`](#)

### Notes

For values exactly halfway between rounded decimal values, NumPy rounds to the nearest even value. Thus 1.5 and 2.5 round to 2.0, -0.5 and 0.5 round to 0.0, etc.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([-1.7, -1.5, -0.2, 0.2, 1.5, 1.7, 2.0])
>>> np.rint(a)
array([-2., -2., -0.,  0.,  2.,  2.,  2.])
```

`numpy.fix(x, out=None)`

Round to nearest integer towards zero.

Round an array of floats element-wise to nearest integer towards zero. The rounded values are returned as floats.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] An array of floats to be rounded

**out**

[ndarray, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the input broadcasts to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray of floats] A float array with the same dimensions as the input. If second argument is not supplied then a float array is returned with the rounded values.

If a second argument is supplied the result is stored there. The return value *out* is then a reference to that array.

**See also:**

[\*rint\*](#), [\*trunc\*](#), [\*floor\*](#), [\*ceil\*](#)

[\*around\*](#)

Round to given number of decimals

**Examples**

```
>>> np.fix(3.14)
3.0
>>> np.fix(3)
3.0
>>> np.fix([2.1, 2.9, -2.1, -2.9])
array([ 2.,  2., -2., -2.])
```

`numpy.floor(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'floor'>`

Return the floor of the input, element-wise.

The floor of the scalar *x* is the largest integer *i*, such that  $i \leq x$ . It is often denoted as  $\lfloor x \rfloor$ .

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input data.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain

its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray or scalar] The floor of each element in *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

See also:

[`ceil`](#), [`trunc`](#), [`rint`](#), [`fix`](#)

### Notes

Some spreadsheet programs calculate the “floor-towards-zero”, where `floor(-2.5) == -2`. NumPy instead uses the definition of `floor` where `floor(-2.5) == -3`. The “floor-towards-zero” function is called `fix` in NumPy.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([-1.7, -1.5, -0.2, 0.2, 1.5, 1.7, 2.0])
>>> np.floor(a)
array([-2., -2., -1.,  0.,  1.,  1.,  2.])
```

`numpy.ceil(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'ceil'>`

Return the ceiling of the input, element-wise.

The ceil of the scalar *x* is the smallest integer *i*, such that  $i \geq x$ . It is often denoted as  $\lceil x \rceil$ .

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input data.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray or scalar] The ceiling of each element in  $x$ , with `float` dtype. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:**

`floor`, `trunc`, `rint`, `fix`

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([-1.7, -1.5, -0.2, 0.2, 1.5, 1.7, 2.0])
>>> np.ceil(a)
array([-1., -1., -0., 1., 2., 2., 2.])
```

`numpy.trunc( $x$ , /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'trunc'>`

Return the truncated value of the input, element-wise.

The truncated value of the scalar  $x$  is the nearest integer  $i$  which is closer to zero than  $x$  is. In short, the fractional part of the signed number  $x$  is discarded.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input data.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray or scalar] The truncated value of each element in  $x$ . This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:**

`ceil`, `floor`, `rint`, `fix`

## Notes

New in version 1.3.0.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([-1.7, -1.5, -0.2, 0.2, 1.5, 1.7, 2.0])
>>> np.trunc(a)
array([-1., -1., -0., 0., 1., 1., 2.])
```

## 5.17.4 Sums, products, differences

<code>prod(a[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims, ...])</code>	Return the product of array elements over a given axis.
<code>sum(a[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims, ...])</code>	Sum of array elements over a given axis.
<code>nanprod(a[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims, ...])</code>	Return the product of array elements over a given axis treating Not a Numbers (NaNs) as ones.
<code>nansum(a[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims, ...])</code>	Return the sum of array elements over a given axis treating Not a Numbers (NaNs) as zero.
<code>cumprod(a[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of elements along a given axis.
<code>cumsum(a[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of the elements along a given axis.
<code>nancumprod(a[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative product of array elements over a given axis treating Not a Numbers (NaNs) as one.
<code>nancumsum(a[, axis, dtype, out])</code>	Return the cumulative sum of array elements over a given axis treating Not a Numbers (NaNs) as zero.
<code>diff(a[, n, axis, prepend, append])</code>	Calculate the n-th discrete difference along the given axis.
<code>ediff1d(ary[, to_end, to_begin])</code>	The differences between consecutive elements of an array.
<code>gradient(f, *varargs[, axis, edge_order])</code>	Return the gradient of an N-dimensional array.
<code>cross(a, b[, axisa, axisb, axisc, axis])</code>	Return the cross product of two (arrays of) vectors.
<code>trapz(y[, x, dx, axis])</code>	Integrate along the given axis using the composite trapezoidal rule.

`numpy.prod(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, initial=<no value>, where=<no value>)`

Return the product of array elements over a given axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input data.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which a product is performed. The default, axis=None, will calculate the product of all the elements in the input array. If axis is negative it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.7.0.

If axis is a tuple of ints, a product is performed on all of the axes specified in the tuple instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

**dtype**

[*dtype*, optional] The type of the returned array, as well as of the accumulator in which the elements are multiplied. The *dtype* of *a* is used by default unless *a* has an integer *dtype* of less precision than the default platform integer. In that case, if *a* is signed then the platform integer is used while if *a* is unsigned then an unsigned integer of the same precision as the platform integer is used.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type of the output values will be cast if necessary.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then *keepdims* will not be passed through to the *prod* method of sub-classes of *ndarray*, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement *keepdims* any exceptions will be raised.

**initial**

[scalar, optional] The starting value for this product. See *reduce* for details.

New in version 1.15.0.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the product. See *reduce* for details.

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns****product\_along\_axis**

[ndarray, see *dtype* parameter above.] An array shaped as *a* but with the specified axis removed. Returns a reference to *out* if specified.

**See also:*****ndarray.prod***

equivalent method

**ufuncs-output-type****Notes**

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow. That means that, on a 32-bit platform:

```
>>> x = np.array([536870910, 536870910, 536870910, 536870910])
>>> np.prod(x)
16 # may vary
```

The product of an empty array is the neutral element 1:

```
>>> np.prod([])
1.0
```

## Examples

By default, calculate the product of all elements:

```
>>> np.prod([1., 2.])
2.0
```

Even when the input array is two-dimensional:

```
>>> np.prod([[1., 2.], [3., 4.]])
24.0
```

But we can also specify the axis over which to multiply:

```
>>> np.prod([[1., 2.], [3., 4.]], axis=1)
array([ 2., 12.])
```

Or select specific elements to include:

```
>>> np.prod([1., np.nan, 3.], where=[True, False, True])
3.0
```

If the type of  $x$  is unsigned, then the output type is the unsigned platform integer:

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.uint8)
>>> np.prod(x).dtype == np.uint
True
```

If  $x$  is of a signed integer type, then the output type is the default platform integer:

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int8)
>>> np.prod(x).dtype == int
True
```

You can also start the product with a value other than one:

```
>>> np.prod([1, 2], initial=5)
10
```

`numpy.sum(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, initial=<no value>, where=<no value>)`

Sum of array elements over a given axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Elements to sum.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which a sum is performed. The default, `axis=None`, will sum all of the elements of the input array. If `axis` is negative it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.7.0.

If axis is a tuple of ints, a sum is performed on all of the axes specified in the tuple instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

### **dtype**

[`dtype`, optional] The type of the returned array and of the accumulator in which the elements are summed. The `dtype` of *a* is used by default unless *a* has an integer `dtype` of less precision than the default platform integer. In that case, if *a* is signed then the platform integer is used while if *a* is unsigned then an unsigned integer of the same precision as the platform integer is used.

### **out**

[`ndarray`, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type of the output values will be cast if necessary.

### **keepdims**

[`bool`, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then `keepdims` will not be passed through to the `sum` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement `keepdims` any exceptions will be raised.

### **initial**

[`scalar`, optional] Starting value for the sum. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.15.0.

### **where**

[`array_like` of `bool`, optional] Elements to include in the sum. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.17.0.

## **Returns**

### **sum\_along\_axis**

[`ndarray`] An array with the same shape as *a*, with the specified axis removed. If *a* is a 0-d array, or if *axis* is None, a scalar is returned. If an output array is specified, a reference to *out* is returned.

## **See also:**

### **`ndarray.sum`**

Equivalent method.

### **`add.reduce`**

Equivalent functionality of `add`.

### **`cumsum`**

Cumulative sum of array elements.

### **`trapz`**

Integration of array values using the composite trapezoidal rule.

**`mean, average`**

## Notes

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

The sum of an empty array is the neutral element 0:

```
>>> np.sum([])
0.0
```

For floating point numbers the numerical precision of sum (and `np.add.reduce`) is in general limited by directly adding each number individually to the result causing rounding errors in every step. However, often numpy will use a numerically better approach (partial pairwise summation) leading to improved precision in many use-cases. This improved precision is always provided when no `axis` is given. When `axis` is given, it will depend on which axis is summed. Technically, to provide the best speed possible, the improved precision is only used when the summation is along the fast axis in memory. Note that the exact precision may vary depending on other parameters. In contrast to NumPy, Python's `math.fsum` function uses a slower but more precise approach to summation. Especially when summing a large number of lower precision floating point numbers, such as `float32`, numerical errors can become significant. In such cases it can be advisable to use `dtype="float64"` to use a higher precision for the output.

## Examples

```
>>> np.sum([0.5, 1.5])
2.0
>>> np.sum([0.5, 0.7, 0.2, 1.5], dtype=np.int32)
1
>>> np.sum([[0, 1], [0, 5]])
6
>>> np.sum([[0, 1], [0, 5]], axis=0)
array([0, 6])
>>> np.sum([[0, 1], [0, 5]], axis=1)
array([1, 5])
>>> np.sum([[0, 1], [np.nan, 5]], where=[False, True], axis=1)
array([1., 5.])
```

If the accumulator is too small, overflow occurs:

```
>>> np.ones(128, dtype=np.int8).sum(dtype=np.int8)
-128
```

You can also start the sum with a value other than zero:

```
>>> np.sum([10], initial=5)
15
```

`numpy.nanprod(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, initial=<no value>, where=<no value>)`

Return the product of array elements over a given axis treating Not a Numbers (NaNs) as ones.

One is returned for slices that are all-NaN or empty.

New in version 1.10.0.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose product is desired. If *a* is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

**axis**

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the product is computed. The default is to compute the product of the flattened array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] The type of the returned array and of the accumulator in which the elements are summed. By default, the dtype of *a* is used. An exception is when *a* has an integer type with less precision than the platform (u)intp. In that case, the default will be either (u)int32 or (u)int64 depending on whether the platform is 32 or 64 bits. For inexact inputs, dtype must be inexact.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. The default is `None`. If provided, it must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type will be cast if necessary. See ufuncs-output-type for more details. The casting of NaN to integer can yield unexpected results.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original *arr*.

**initial**

[scalar, optional] The starting value for this product. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the product. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

**Returns****nanprod**

[ndarray] A new array holding the result is returned unless *out* is specified, in which case it is returned.

**See also:****`numpy.prod`**

Product across array propagating NaNs.

**`isnan`**

Show which elements are NaN.

## Examples

```
>>> np.nanprod(1)
1
>>> np.nanprod([1])
1
>>> np.nanprod([1, np.nan])
1.0
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, np.nan]])
>>> np.nanprod(a)
6.0
>>> np.nanprod(a, axis=0)
array([3., 2.])
```

`numpy.nanprod(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, initial=<no value>, where=<no value>)`

Return the sum of array elements over a given axis treating Not a Numbers (NaNs) as zero.

In NumPy versions <= 1.9.0 Nan is returned for slices that are all-NaN or empty. In later versions zero is returned.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose sum is desired. If *a* is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

#### axis

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the sum is computed. The default is to compute the sum of the flattened array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] The type of the returned array and of the accumulator in which the elements are summed. By default, the dtype of *a* is used. An exception is when *a* has an integer type with less precision than the platform (u)intp. In that case, the default will be either (u)int32 or (u)int64 depending on whether the platform is 32 or 64 bits. For inexact inputs, dtype must be inexact.

New in version 1.8.0.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. The default is `None`. If provided, it must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type will be cast if necessary. See ufuncs-output-type for more details. The casting of NaN to integer can yield unexpected results.

New in version 1.8.0.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original *a*.

If the value is anything but the default, then *keepdims* will be passed through to the `mean` or `sum` methods of sub-classes of `ndarray`. If the sub-classes methods does not implement *keepdims* any exceptions will be raised.

New in version 1.8.0.

**initial**

[scalar, optional] Starting value for the sum. See [reduce](#) for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the sum. See [reduce](#) for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

**Returns****nansum**

[ndarray.] A new array holding the result is returned unless *out* is specified, in which it is returned. The result has the same size as *a*, and the same shape as *a* if *axis* is not None or *a* is a 1-d array.

**See also:**[\*\*numpy.sum\*\*](#)

Sum across array propagating NaNs.

[\*\*isnan\*\*](#)

Show which elements are NaN.

[\*\*isfinite\*\*](#)

Show which elements are not NaN or +/-inf.

**Notes**

If both positive and negative infinity are present, the sum will be Not A Number (NaN).

**Examples**

```
>>> np.nanum(1)
1
>>> np.nanum([1])
1
>>> np.nanum([1, np.nan])
1.0
>>> a = np.array([[1, 1], [1, np.nan]])
>>> np.nanum(a)
3.0
>>> np.nanum(a, axis=0)
array([2., 1.])
>>> np.nanum([1, np.nan, np.inf])
inf
>>> np.nanum([1, np.nan, np.NINF])
-inf
>>> from numpy.testing import suppress_warnings
>>> with suppress_warnings() as sup:
...     sup.filter(RuntimeWarning)
```

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```
...     np.nanprod([1, np.nan, np.inf, -np.inf]) # both +/- infinity present
nan
```

`numpy.cumprod(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the cumulative product of elements along a given axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array.

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which the cumulative product is computed. By default the input is flattened.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional] Type of the returned array, as well as of the accumulator in which the elements are multiplied. If *dtype* is not specified, it defaults to the *dtype* of *a*, unless *a* has an integer *dtype* with a precision less than that of the default platform integer. In that case, the default platform integer is used instead.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output but the type of the resulting values will be cast if necessary.

### Returns

#### cumprod

[ndarray] A new array holding the result is returned unless *out* is specified, in which case a reference to *out* is returned.

### See also:

[ufuncs-output-type](#)

### Notes

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3])
>>> np.cumprod(a) # intermediate results 1, 1*2
...
# total product 1*2*3 = 6
array([1, 2, 6])
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])
>>> np.cumprod(a, dtype=float) # specify type of output
array([[ 1.,   2.,   6.,  24., 120., 720.]])
```

The cumulative product for each column (i.e., over the rows) of *a*:

```
>>> np.cumprod(a, axis=0)
array([[ 1,  2,  3],
       [ 4, 10, 18]])
```

The cumulative product for each row (i.e. over the columns) of *a*:

```
>>> np.cumprod(a, axis=1)
array([[ 1,  2,  6],
       [ 4, 20, 120]])
```

`numpy.cumsum(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the cumulative sum of the elements along a given axis.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which the cumulative sum is computed. The default (None) is to compute the cumsum over the flattened array.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] Type of the returned array and of the accumulator in which the elements are summed. If `dtype` is not specified, it defaults to the dtype of *a*, unless *a* has an integer dtype with a precision less than that of the default platform integer. In that case, the default platform integer is used.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output but the type will be cast if necessary. See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

### Returns

**cumsum\_along\_axis**

[ndarray.] A new array holding the result is returned unless *out* is specified, in which case a reference to *out* is returned. The result has the same size as *a*, and the same shape as *a* if *axis* is not None or *a* is a 1-d array.

### See also:

**sum**

Sum array elements.

**trapz**

Integration of array values using the composite trapezoidal rule.

**diff**

Calculate the n-th discrete difference along given axis.

## Notes

Arithmetic is modular when using integer types, and no error is raised on overflow.

`cumsum(a)[-1]` may not be equal to `sum(a)` for floating-point values since `sum` may use a pairwise summation routine, reducing the roundoff-error. See [sum](#) for more information.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])
>>> a
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [4, 5, 6]])
>>> np.cumsum(a)
array([ 1,  3,  6, 10, 15, 21])
>>> np.cumsum(a, dtype=float)      # specifies type of output value(s)
array([ 1.,   3.,   6.,  10.,  15.,  21.])
```

```
>>> np.cumsum(a, axis=0)          # sum over rows for each of the 3 columns
array([[1, 2, 3],
       [5, 7, 9]])
>>> np.cumsum(a, axis=1)          # sum over columns for each of the 2 rows
array([[ 1,   3,   6],
       [ 4,   9,  15]])
```

`cumsum(b)[-1]` may not be equal to `sum(b)`

```
>>> b = np.array([1, 2e-9, 3e-9] * 1000000)
>>> b.cumsum()[-1]
1000000.0050045159
>>> b.sum()
1000000.0050000029
```

`numpy.nancumprod(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None)`

Return the cumulative product of array elements over a given axis treating Not a Numbers (NaNs) as one. The cumulative product does not change when NaNs are encountered and leading NaNs are replaced by ones.

Ones are returned for slices that are all-NaN or empty.

New in version 1.12.0.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which the cumulative product is computed. By default the input is flattened.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] Type of the returned array, as well as of the accumulator in which the elements are multiplied. If `dtype` is not specified, it defaults to the `dtype` of `a`, unless `a` has an integer `dtype` with a precision less than that of the default platform integer. In that case, the default platform integer is used instead.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output but the type of the resulting values will be cast if necessary.

**Returns****nancumprod**

[ndarray] A new array holding the result is returned unless *out* is specified, in which case it is returned.

**See also:*****numpy.cumprod***

Cumulative product across array propagating NaNs.

***isnan***

Show which elements are NaN.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.nancumprod(1)
array([1])
>>> np.nancumprod([1])
array([1])
>>> np.nancumprod([1, np.nan])
array([1., 1.])
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, np.nan]])
>>> np.nancumprod(a)
array([1., 2., 6., 6.])
>>> np.nancumprod(a, axis=0)
array([[1., 2.],
       [3., 2.]])
>>> np.nancumprod(a, axis=1)
array([[1., 2.],
       [3., 3.]])
```

***numpy.nancumsum*(*a*, *axis=None*, *dtype=None*, *out=None*)**

Return the cumulative sum of array elements over a given axis treating Not a Numbers (NaNs) as zero. The cumulative sum does not change when NaNs are encountered and leading NaNs are replaced by zeros.

Zeros are returned for slices that are all-NaN or empty.

New in version 1.12.0.

**Parameters*****a***

[array\_like] Input array.

***axis***

[int, optional] Axis along which the cumulative sum is computed. The default (None) is to compute the cumsum over the flattened array.

**dtype**

[*dtype*, optional] Type of the returned array and of the accumulator in which the elements are summed. If *dtype* is not specified, it defaults to the *dtype* of *a*, unless *a* has an integer *dtype* with a precision less than that of the default platform integer. In that case, the default platform integer is used.

**out**

[*ndarray*, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output but the type will be cast if necessary. See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

**Returns****nancumsum**

[*ndarray*.] A new array holding the result is returned unless *out* is specified, in which it is returned. The result has the same size as *a*, and the same shape as *a* if *axis* is not None or *a* is a 1-d array.

**See also:****[numpy.cumsum](#)**

Cumulative sum across array propagating NaNs.

**[isnan](#)**

Show which elements are NaN.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.nancumsum(1)
array([1])
>>> np.nancumsum([1])
array([1])
>>> np.nancumsum([1, np.nan])
array([1., 1.])
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, np.nan]])
>>> np.nancumsum(a)
array([1., 3., 6., 6.])
>>> np.nancumsum(a, axis=0)
array([[1., 2.],
       [4., 2.]])
>>> np.nancumsum(a, axis=1)
array([[1., 3.],
       [3., 3.]])
```

**[numpy.diff](#)(*a*, *n*=1, *axis*=-1, *prepend*=<no value>, *append*=<no value>)**

Calculate the n-th discrete difference along the given axis.

The first difference is given by *out*[*i*] = *a*[*i*+1] - *a*[*i*] along the given axis, higher differences are calculated by using *diff* recursively.

**Parameters**

**a**

[array\_like] Input array

**n**

[int, optional] The number of times values are differenced. If zero, the input is returned as-is.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis along which the difference is taken, default is the last axis.

**prepend, append**

[array\_like, optional] Values to prepend or append to *a* along axis prior to performing the difference. Scalar values are expanded to arrays with length 1 in the direction of axis and the shape of the input array in along all other axes. Otherwise the dimension and shape must match *a* except along axis.

New in version 1.16.0.

**Returns****diff**

[ndarray] The n-th differences. The shape of the output is the same as *a* except along *axis* where the dimension is smaller by *n*. The type of the output is the same as the type of the difference between any two elements of *a*. This is the same as the type of *a* in most cases. A notable exception is `datetime64`, which results in a `timedelta64` output array.

**See also:**

`gradient`, `ediff1d`, `cumsum`

**Notes**

Type is preserved for boolean arrays, so the result will contain *False* when consecutive elements are the same and *True* when they differ.

For unsigned integer arrays, the results will also be unsigned. This should not be surprising, as the result is consistent with calculating the difference directly:

```
>>> u8_arr = np.array([1, 0], dtype=np.uint8)
>>> np.diff(u8_arr)
array([255], dtype=uint8)
>>> u8_arr[1,...] - u8_arr[0,...]
255
```

If this is not desirable, then the array should be cast to a larger integer type first:

```
>>> i16_arr = u8_arr.astype(np.int16)
>>> np.diff(i16_arr)
array([-1], dtype=int16)
```

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 4, 7, 0])
>>> np.diff(x)
array([ 1,  2,  3, -7])
>>> np.diff(x, n=2)
array([-1,  1, -10])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 3, 6, 10], [0, 5, 6, 8]])
>>> np.diff(x)
array([[2, 3, 4],
       [5, 1, 2]])
>>> np.diff(x, axis=0)
array([-1,  2,  0, -2])
```

```
>>> x = np.arange('1066-10-13', '1066-10-16', dtype=np.datetime64)
>>> np.diff(x)
array([1, 1], dtype='timedelta64[D]')
```

`numpy.ediff1d(ary, to_end=None, to_begin=None)`

The differences between consecutive elements of an array.

### Parameters

#### ary

[array\_like] If necessary, will be flattened before the differences are taken.

#### to\_end

[array\_like, optional] Number(s) to append at the end of the returned differences.

#### to\_begin

[array\_like, optional] Number(s) to prepend at the beginning of the returned differences.

### Returns

#### ediff1d

[ndarray] The differences. Loosely, this is `ary.flat[1:] - ary.flat[:-1]`.

### See also:

[`diff`, `gradient`](#)

### Notes

When applied to masked arrays, this function drops the mask information if the `to_begin` and/or `to_end` parameters are used.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 4, 7, 0])
>>> np.ediff1d(x)
array([ 1,  2,  3, -7])
```

```
>>> np.ediff1d(x, to_begin=-99, to_end=np.array([88, 99]))
array([-99,  1,  2, ..., -7,  88,  99])
```

The returned array is always 1D.

```
>>> y = [[1, 2, 4], [1, 6, 24]]
>>> np.ediff1d(y)
array([ 1,  2, -3,  5, 18])
```

`numpy.gradient(f, *varargs, axis=None, edge_order=1)`

Return the gradient of an N-dimensional array.

The gradient is computed using second order accurate central differences in the interior points and either first or second order accurate one-sides (forward or backwards) differences at the boundaries. The returned gradient hence has the same shape as the input array.

### Parameters

#### f

[array\_like] An N-dimensional array containing samples of a scalar function.

#### varargs

[list of scalar or array, optional] Spacing between f values. Default unitary spacing for all dimensions. Spacing can be specified using:

1. single scalar to specify a sample distance for all dimensions.
2. N scalars to specify a constant sample distance for each dimension. i.e.  $dx, dy, dz, \dots$
3. N arrays to specify the coordinates of the values along each dimension of F. The length of the array must match the size of the corresponding dimension
4. Any combination of N scalars/arrays with the meaning of 2. and 3.

If `axis` is given, the number of varargs must equal the number of axes. Default: 1.

#### edge\_order

[{1, 2}, optional] Gradient is calculated using N-th order accurate differences at the boundaries. Default: 1.

New in version 1.9.1.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Gradient is calculated only along the given axis or axes. The default (axis = None) is to calculate the gradient for all the axes of the input array. `axis` may be negative, in which case it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.11.0.

### Returns

**gradient**

[ndarray or list of ndarray] A list of ndarrays (or a single ndarray if there is only one dimension) corresponding to the derivatives of  $f$  with respect to each dimension. Each derivative has the same shape as  $f$ .

**Notes**

Assuming that  $f \in C^3$  (i.e.,  $f$  has at least 3 continuous derivatives) and let  $h_*$  be a non-homogeneous stepsize, we minimize the “consistency error”  $\eta_i$  between the true gradient and its estimate from a linear combination of the neighboring grid-points:

$$\eta_i = f_i^{(1)} - [\alpha f(x_i) + \beta f(x_i + h_d) + \gamma f(x_i - h_s)]$$

By substituting  $f(x_i + h_d)$  and  $f(x_i - h_s)$  with their Taylor series expansion, this translates into solving the following the linear system:

$$\begin{cases} \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0 \\ \beta h_d - \gamma h_s = 1 \\ \beta h_d^2 + \gamma h_s^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

The resulting approximation of  $f_i^{(1)}$  is the following:

$$\hat{f}_i^{(1)} = \frac{h_s^2 f(x_i + h_d) + (h_d^2 - h_s^2) f(x_i) - h_d^2 f(x_i - h_s)}{h_s h_d (h_d + h_s)} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{h_d h_s^2 + h_s h_d^2}{h_d + h_s}\right)$$

It is worth noting that if  $h_s = h_d$  (i.e., data are evenly spaced) we find the standard second order approximation:

$$\hat{f}_i^{(1)} = \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_{i-1})}{2h} + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

With a similar procedure the forward/backward approximations used for boundaries can be derived.

**References**

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#), [\[3\]](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> f = np.array([1, 2, 4, 7, 11, 16], dtype=float)
>>> np.gradient(f)
array([1. , 1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4.5, 5. ])
>>> np.gradient(f, 2)
array([0.5 , 0.75, 1.25, 1.75, 2.25, 2.5 ])
```

Spacing can be also specified with an array that represents the coordinates of the values  $F$  along the dimensions. For instance a uniform spacing:

```
>>> x = np.arange(f.size)
>>> np.gradient(f, x)
array([1. , 1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4.5, 5. ])
```

Or a non uniform one:

```
>>> x = np.array([0., 1., 1.5, 3.5, 4., 6.], dtype=float)
>>> np.gradient(f, x)
array([1. , 3. , 3.5, 6.7, 6.9, 2.5])
```

For two dimensional arrays, the return will be two arrays ordered by axis. In this example the first array stands for the gradient in rows and the second one in columns direction:

```
>>> np.gradient(np.array([[1, 2, 6], [3, 4, 5]]), dtype=float))
[array([[2., 2., -1.],
       [2., 2., -1.]]), array([[1., 2.5, 4.],
       [1., 1., 1.]])]
```

In this example the spacing is also specified: uniform for axis=0 and non uniform for axis=1

```
>>> dx = 2.
>>> y = [1., 1.5, 3.5]
>>> np.gradient(np.array([[1, 2, 6], [3, 4, 5]]), dtype=float), dx, y)
[array([[1., 1., -0.5],
       [1., 1., -0.5]]), array([[2., 2., 2.],
       [2., 1.7, 0.5]])]
```

It is possible to specify how boundaries are treated using *edge\_order*

```
>>> x = np.array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> f = x**2
>>> np.gradient(f, edge_order=1)
array([1., 2., 4., 6., 7.])
>>> np.gradient(f, edge_order=2)
array([0., 2., 4., 6., 8.])
```

The *axis* keyword can be used to specify a subset of axes of which the gradient is calculated

```
>>> np.gradient(np.array([[1, 2, 6], [3, 4, 5]]), dtype=float), axis=0)
array([[2., 2., -1.],
       [2., 2., -1.]])
```

`numpy.cross(a, b, axisa=-1, axisb=-1, axisc=-1, axis=None)`

Return the cross product of two (arrays of) vectors.

The cross product of *a* and *b* in  $R^3$  is a vector perpendicular to both *a* and *b*. If *a* and *b* are arrays of vectors, the vectors are defined by the last axis of *a* and *b* by default, and these axes can have dimensions 2 or 3. Where the dimension of either *a* or *b* is 2, the third component of the input vector is assumed to be zero and the cross product calculated accordingly. In cases where both input vectors have dimension 2, the z-component of the cross product is returned.

## Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Components of the first vector(s).

**b**

[array\_like] Components of the second vector(s).

**axisa**

[int, optional] Axis of *a* that defines the vector(s). By default, the last axis.

**axisb**

[int, optional] Axis of  $b$  that defines the vector(s). By default, the last axis.

**axisc**

[int, optional] Axis of  $c$  containing the cross product vector(s). Ignored if both input vectors have dimension 2, as the return is scalar. By default, the last axis.

**axis**

[int, optional] If defined, the axis of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  that defines the vector(s) and cross product(s). Overrides  $axis_a$ ,  $axis_b$  and  $axis_c$ .

**Returns****c**

[ndarray] Vector cross product(s).

**Raises****ValueError**

When the dimension of the vector(s) in  $a$  and/or  $b$  does not equal 2 or 3.

**See also:****inner**

Inner product

**outer**

Outer product.

**ix\_**

Construct index arrays.

**Notes**

New in version 1.9.0.

Supports full broadcasting of the inputs.

**Examples**

Vector cross-product.

```
>>> x = [1, 2, 3]
>>> y = [4, 5, 6]
>>> np.cross(x, y)
array([-3, 6, -3])
```

One vector with dimension 2.

```
>>> x = [1, 2]
>>> y = [4, 5, 6]
>>> np.cross(x, y)
array([12, -6, -3])
```

Equivalently:

```
>>> x = [1, 2, 0]
>>> y = [4, 5, 6]
>>> np.cross(x, y)
array([12, -6, -3])
```

Both vectors with dimension 2.

```
>>> x = [1, 2]
>>> y = [4, 5]
>>> np.cross(x, y)
array(-3)
```

Multiple vector cross-products. Note that the direction of the cross product vector is defined by the *right-hand rule*.

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])
>>> y = np.array([[4, 5, 6], [1, 2, 3]])
>>> np.cross(x, y)
array([[ -3,   6, -3],
       [ 3, -6,  3]])
```

The orientation of *c* can be changed using the *axisc* keyword.

```
>>> np.cross(x, y, axisc=0)
array([[ -3,   3],
       [ 6, -6],
      [-3,  3]])
```

Change the vector definition of *x* and *y* using *axisa* and *axisb*.

```
>>> x = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
>>> y = np.array([[7, 8, 9], [4, 5, 6], [1, 2, 3]])
>>> np.cross(x, y)
array([[ -6,  12, -6],
       [  0,    0,    0],
       [  6, -12,   6]])
>>> np.cross(x, y, axisa=0, axisb=0)
array([-24,  48, -24],
      [-30,  60, -30],
      [-36,  72, -36]])
```

`numpy.trapz(y, x=None, dx=1.0, axis=-1)`

Integrate along the given axis using the composite trapezoidal rule.

If *x* is provided, the integration happens in sequence along its elements - they are not sorted.

Integrate  $y(x)$  along each 1d slice on the given axis, compute  $\int y(x)dx$ . When *x* is specified, this integrates along the parametric curve, computing  $\int_t y(t)dt = \int_t y(t) \frac{dx}{dt} \Big|_{x=x(t)} dt$ .

## Parameters

**y**

[array\_like] Input array to integrate.

**x**

[array\_like, optional] The sample points corresponding to the  $y$  values. If  $x$  is None, the sample points are assumed to be evenly spaced  $dx$  apart. The default is None.

**dx**

[scalar, optional] The spacing between sample points when  $x$  is None. The default is 1.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis along which to integrate.

## Returns

**trapz**

[float or ndarray] Definite integral of  $y = n$ -dimensional array as approximated along a single axis by the trapezoidal rule. If  $y$  is a 1-dimensional array, then the result is a float. If  $n$  is greater than 1, then the result is an  $n-1$  dimensional array.

## See also:

[sum](#), [cumsum](#)

## Notes

Image [2] illustrates trapezoidal rule – y-axis locations of points will be taken from  $y$  array, by default x-axis distances between points will be 1.0, alternatively they can be provided with  $x$  array or with  $dx$  scalar. Return value will be equal to combined area under the red lines.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> np.trapz([1, 2, 3])
4.0
>>> np.trapz([1, 2, 3], x=[4, 6, 8])
8.0
>>> np.trapz([1, 2, 3], dx=2)
8.0
```

Using a decreasing  $x$  corresponds to integrating in reverse:

```
>>> np.trapz([1, 2, 3], x=[8, 6, 4])
-8.0
```

More generally  $x$  is used to integrate along a parametric curve. This finds the area of a circle, noting we repeat the sample which closes the curve:

```
>>> theta = np.linspace(0, 2 * np.pi, num=1000, endpoint=True)
>>> np.trapz(np.cos(theta), x=np.sin(theta))
3.141571941375841
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3)
>>> a
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.trapz(a, axis=0)
array([1.5, 2.5, 3.5])
>>> np.trapz(a, axis=1)
array([2.,  8.])
```

## 5.17.5 Exponents and logarithms

<code>exp(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Calculate the exponential of all elements in the input array.
<code>expm1(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Calculate $\exp(x) - 1$ for all elements in the array.
<code>exp2(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Calculate $2^{**p}$ for all $p$ in the input array.
<code>log(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Natural logarithm, element-wise.
<code>log10(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the base 10 logarithm of the input array, element-wise.
<code>log2(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Base-2 logarithm of $x$ .
<code>log1p(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the natural logarithm of one plus the input array, element-wise.
<code>logaddexp(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Logarithm of the sum of exponentiations of the inputs.
<code>logaddexp2(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Logarithm of the sum of exponentiations of the inputs in base-2.

`numpy.exp(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'exp'>`

Calculate the exponential of all elements in the input array.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input values.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Output array, element-wise exponential of  $x$ . This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:**

### `expm1`

Calculate  $\exp(x) - 1$  for all elements in the array.

### `exp2`

Calculate  $2^{x \times}$  for all elements in the array.

## Notes

The irrational number  $e$  is also known as Euler's number. It is approximately 2.718281, and is the base of the natural logarithm,  $\ln$  (this means that, if  $x = \ln y = \log_e y$ , then  $e^x = y$ ). For real input,  $\exp(x)$  is always positive.

For complex arguments,  $x = a + ib$ , we can write  $e^x = e^a e^{ib}$ . The first term,  $e^a$ , is already known (it is the real argument, described above). The second term,  $e^{ib}$ , is  $\cos b + i \sin b$ , a function with magnitude 1 and a periodic phase.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

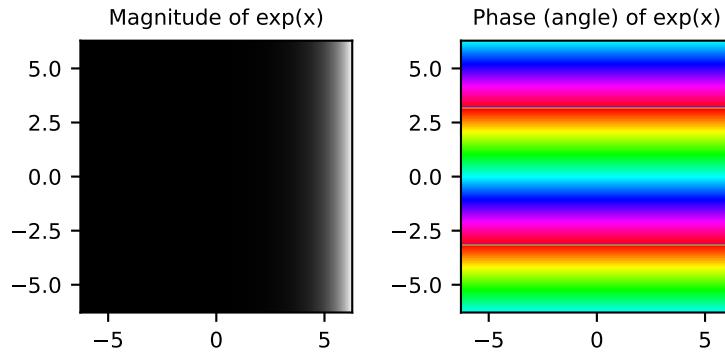
Plot the magnitude and phase of  $\exp(x)$  in the complex plane:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

>>> x = np.linspace(-2*np.pi, 2*np.pi, 100)
>>> xx = x + 1j * x[:, np.newaxis] # a + ib over complex plane
>>> out = np.exp(xx)

>>> plt.subplot(121)
>>> plt.imshow(np.abs(out),
...             extent=[-2*np.pi, 2*np.pi, -2*np.pi, 2*np.pi], cmap='gray')
>>> plt.title('Magnitude of exp(x)')

>>> plt.subplot(122)
>>> plt.imshow(np.angle(out),
...             extent=[-2*np.pi, 2*np.pi, -2*np.pi, 2*np.pi], cmap='hsv')
>>> plt.title('Phase (angle) of exp(x)')
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.expm1(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'expm1'>`

Calculate  $\exp(x) - 1$  for all elements in the array.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input values.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Element-wise exponential minus one:  $\text{out} = \exp(x) - 1$ . This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

### See also:

[`log1p`](#)

$\log(1 + x)$ , the inverse of  $\expm1$ .

## Notes

This function provides greater precision than  $\exp(x) - 1$  for small values of  $x$ .

## Examples

The true value of  $\exp(1e-10) - 1$  is  $1.0000000005e-10$  to about 32 significant digits. This example shows the superiority of  $\expm1$  in this case.

```
>>> np.expm1(1e-10)
1.0000000005e-10
>>> np.exp(1e-10) - 1
1.00000082740371e-10
```

`numpy.exp2(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'exp2'>`

Calculate  $2^{**p}$  for all  $p$  in the input array.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input values.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Element-wise 2 to the power  $x$ . This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

### See also:

[`power`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.3.0.

## Examples

```
>>> np.exp2([2, 3])
array([ 4.,  8.])
```

`numpy.log(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'log'>`

Natural logarithm, element-wise.

The natural logarithm `log` is the inverse of the exponential function, so that  $\log(\exp(x)) = x$ . The natural logarithm is logarithm in base `e`.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input value.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray] The natural logarithm of `x`, element-wise. This is a scalar if `x` is a scalar.

### See also:

`log10, log2, log1p, emath.log`

## Notes

Logarithm is a multivalued function: for each  $x$  there is an infinite number of  $z$  such that  $\exp(z) = x$ . The convention is to return the  $z$  whose imaginary part lies in  $[-\pi i, \pi i]$ .

For real-valued input data types, `log` always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields `nan` and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, `log` is a complex analytical function that has a branch cut  $[-\text{inf}, 0]$  and is continuous from above on it. `log` handles the floating-point negative zero as an infinitesimal negative number, conforming to the C99 standard.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> np.log([1, np.e, np.e**2, 0])
array([ 0.,  1.,  2., -Inf])
```

```
numpy.log10(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature,
extobj]) = <ufunc 'log10'>
```

Return the base 10 logarithm of the input array, element-wise.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input values.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray] The logarithm to the base 10 of  $x$ , element-wise. NaNs are returned where  $x$  is negative. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

### See also:

**`emath.log10`****Notes**

Logarithm is a multivalued function: for each  $x$  there is an infinite number of  $z$  such that  $10^{z \cdot i\pi} = x$ . The convention is to return the  $z$  whose imaginary part lies in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

For real-valued input data types, `log10` always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields `nan` and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, `log10` is a complex analytical function that has a branch cut  $[-\text{inf}, 0]$  and is continuous from above on it. `log10` handles the floating-point negative zero as an infinitesimal negative number, conforming to the C99 standard.

**References**

[1], [2]

**Examples**

```
>>> np.log10([1e-15, -3.])
array([-15., nan])
```

```
numpy.log2(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature,
extobj]) = <ufunc 'log2'>
```

Base-2 logarithm of  $x$ .

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input values.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] Base-2 logarithm of  $x$ . This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

See also:

`log, log10, log1p, emath.log2`

## Notes

New in version 1.3.0.

Logarithm is a multivalued function: for each  $x$  there is an infinite number of  $z$  such that  $2^{*z} = x$ . The convention is to return the  $z$  whose imaginary part lies in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

For real-valued input data types, `log2` always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields `nan` and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, `log2` is a complex analytical function that has a branch cut  $[-\inf, 0]$  and is continuous from above on it. `log2` handles the floating-point negative zero as an infinitesimal negative number, conforming to the C99 standard.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([0, 1, 2, 2**4])
>>> np.log2(x)
array([-Inf,  0.,  1.,  4.])
```

```
>>> xi = np.array([0+1.j, 1, 2+0.j, 4.j])
>>> np.log2(xi)
array([ 0.+2.26618007j,  0.+0.j         ,  1.+0.j         ,
       2.+2.26618007j])
```

`numpy.log1p(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'log1p'>`

Return the natural logarithm of one plus the input array, element-wise.

Calculates  $\log(1 + x)$ .

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input values.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] Natural logarithm of  $1 + x$ , element-wise. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:****[expm1](#)**

$\exp(x) - 1$ , the inverse of [log1p](#).

**Notes**

For real-valued input, [log1p](#) is accurate also for  $x$  so small that  $1 + x == 1$  in floating-point accuracy.

Logarithm is a multivalued function: for each  $x$  there is an infinite number of  $z$  such that  $\exp(z) = 1 + x$ . The convention is to return the  $z$  whose imaginary part lies in  $[-\pi i, \pi i]$ .

For real-valued input data types, [log1p](#) always returns real output. For each value that cannot be expressed as a real number or infinity, it yields nan and sets the *invalid* floating point error flag.

For complex-valued input, [log1p](#) is a complex analytical function that has a branch cut  $[-\inf, -1]$  and is continuous from above on it. [log1p](#) handles the floating-point negative zero as an infinitesimal negative number, conforming to the C99 standard.

**References**

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.log1p(1e-99)
1e-99
>>> np.log(1 + 1e-99)
0.0
```

```
numpy.logaddexp(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None,
                 subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'logaddexp'>
```

Logarithm of the sum of exponentiations of the inputs.

Calculates  $\log(\exp(x_1) + \exp(x_2))$ . This function is useful in statistics where the calculated probabilities of events may be so small as to exceed the range of normal floating point numbers. In such cases the logarithm of the calculated probability is stored. This function allows adding probabilities stored in such a fashion.

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like] Input values. If  $x1.shape != x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None,

a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

#### Returns

##### result

[ndarray] Logarithm of  $\exp(x_1) + \exp(x_2)$ . This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

#### See also:

#### [`logaddexp2`](#)

Logarithm of the sum of exponentiations of inputs in base 2.

#### Notes

New in version 1.3.0.

#### Examples

```
>>> prob1 = np.log(1e-50)
>>> prob2 = np.log(2.5e-50)
>>> prob12 = np.logaddexp(prob1, prob2)
>>> prob12
-113.87649168120691
>>> np.exp(prob12)
3.500000000000057e-50
```

```
numpy.logaddexp2(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None,
subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'logaddexp2'>
```

Logarithm of the sum of exponentiations of the inputs in base-2.

Calculates  $\log_2(2^{x1} + 2^{x2})$ . This function is useful in machine learning when the calculated probabilities of events may be so small as to exceed the range of normal floating point numbers. In such cases the base-2 logarithm of the calculated probability can be used instead. This function allows adding probabilities stored in such a fashion.

#### Parameters

##### x1, x2

[array\_like] Input values. If *x1.shape* != *x2.shape*, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****result**

[ndarray] Base-2 logarithm of  $2^{x1} + 2^{x2}$ . This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

**See also:****[logaddexp](#)**

Logarithm of the sum of exponentiations of the inputs.

**Notes**

New in version 1.3.0.

**Examples**

```
>>> prob1 = np.log2(1e-50)
>>> prob2 = np.log2(2.5e-50)
>>> prob12 = np.logaddexp2(prob1, prob2)
>>> prob1, prob2, prob12
(-166.09640474436813, -164.77447664948076, -164.28904982231052)
>>> 2**prob12
3.4999999999999914e-50
```

## 5.17.6 Other special functions

**[i0\(x\)](#)**

Modified Bessel function of the first kind, order 0.

**[sinc\(x\)](#)**

Return the normalized sinc function.

**numpy.i0 (x)**

Modified Bessel function of the first kind, order 0.

Usually denoted  $I_0$ .

## Parameters

**x**

[array\_like of float] Argument of the Bessel function.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray, shape = x.shape, dtype = float] The modified Bessel function evaluated at each of the elements of  $x$ .

## See also:

`scipy.special.i0, scipy.special.iv, scipy.special.ive`

## Notes

The scipy implementation is recommended over this function: it is a proper ufunc written in C, and more than an order of magnitude faster.

We use the algorithm published by Clenshaw [1] and referenced by Abramowitz and Stegun [2], for which the function domain is partitioned into the two intervals  $[0,8]$  and  $(8,\infty)$ , and Chebyshev polynomial expansions are employed in each interval. Relative error on the domain  $[0,30]$  using IEEE arithmetic is documented [3] as having a peak of  $5.8e-16$  with an rms of  $1.4e-16$  ( $n = 30000$ ).

## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

```
>>> np.i0(0.)
array(1.0)
>>> np.i0([0, 1, 2, 3])
array([1.          , 1.26606588, 2.2795853 , 4.88079259])
```

`numpy.sinc(x)`

Return the normalized sinc function.

The sinc function is equal to  $\sin(\pi x)/(\pi x)$  for any argument  $x \neq 0$ . `sinc(0)` takes the limit value 1, making `sinc` not only everywhere continuous but also infinitely differentiable.

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**Note:** Note the normalization factor of  $\pi$  used in the definition. This is the most commonly used definition in signal processing. Use `sinc(x / np.pi)` to obtain the unnormalized sinc function  $\sin(x)/x$  that is more common in mathematics.

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## Parameters

**x**

[ndarray] Array (possibly multi-dimensional) of values for which to calculate `sinc(x)`.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] `sinc(x)`, which has the same shape as the input.

**Notes**

The name sinc is short for “sine cardinal” or “sinus cardinalis”.

The sinc function is used in various signal processing applications, including in anti-aliasing, in the construction of a Lanczos resampling filter, and in interpolation.

For bandlimited interpolation of discrete-time signals, the ideal interpolation kernel is proportional to the sinc function.

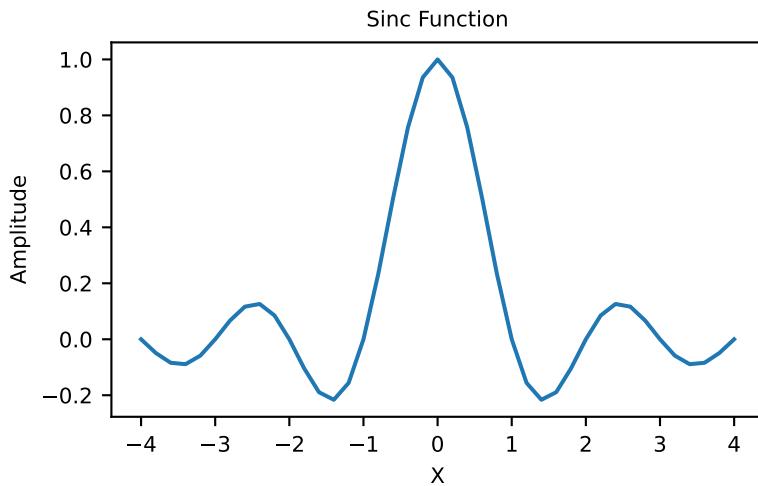
**References**

[1], [2]

**Examples**

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x = np.linspace(-4, 4, 41)
>>> np.sinc(x)
array([-3.89804309e-17, -4.92362781e-02, -8.40918587e-02, # may vary
       -8.90384387e-02, -5.84680802e-02, 3.89804309e-17,
       6.68206631e-02, 1.16434881e-01, 1.26137788e-01,
       8.50444803e-02, -3.89804309e-17, -1.03943254e-01,
       -1.89206682e-01, -2.16236208e-01, -1.55914881e-01,
       3.89804309e-17, 2.33872321e-01, 5.04551152e-01,
       7.56826729e-01, 9.35489284e-01, 1.00000000e+00,
       9.35489284e-01, 7.56826729e-01, 5.04551152e-01,
       2.33872321e-01, 3.89804309e-17, -1.55914881e-01,
       -2.16236208e-01, -1.89206682e-01, -1.03943254e-01,
       -3.89804309e-17, 8.50444803e-02, 1.26137788e-01,
       1.16434881e-01, 6.68206631e-02, 3.89804309e-17,
       -5.84680802e-02, -8.90384387e-02, -8.40918587e-02,
       -4.92362781e-02, -3.89804309e-17])
```

```
>>> plt.plot(x, np.sinc(x))
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Sinc Function")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Sinc Function')
>>> plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Amplitude')
>>> plt.xlabel("X")
Text(0.5, 0, 'X')
>>> plt.show()
```



## 5.17.7 Floating point routines

<code>signbit(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns element-wise True where signbit is set (less than zero).
<code>copysign(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Change the sign of x1 to that of x2, element-wise.
<code>frexp(x[, out1, out2], / [[, out, where, ...]])</code>	Decompose the elements of x into mantissa and twos exponent.
<code>ldexp(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Returns $x1 * 2^{**}x2$ , element-wise.
<code>nextafter(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the next floating-point value after x1 towards x2, element-wise.
<code>spacing(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the distance between x and the nearest adjacent number.

```
numpy.signbit(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'signbit'>
```

Returns element-wise True where signbit is set (less than zero).

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] The input value(s).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****result**

[ndarray of bool] Output array, or reference to *out* if that was supplied. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.signbit(-1.2)
True
>>> np.signbit(np.array([1, -2.3, 2.1]))
array([False, True, False])
```

`numpy.copysign(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'copysign'>`

Change the sign of *x1* to that of *x2*, element-wise.

If *x2* is a scalar, its sign will be copied to all elements of *x1*.

**Parameters****x1**

[array\_like] Values to change the sign of.

**x2**

[array\_like] The sign of *x2* is copied to *x1*. If *x1.shape != x2.shape*, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] The values of *x1* with the sign of *x2*. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

## Examples

```
>>> np.copysign(1.3, -1)
-1.3
>>> 1/np.copysign(0, 1)
inf
>>> 1/np.copysign(0, -1)
-inf
```

```
>>> np.copysign([-1, 0, 1], -1.1)
array([-1., -0., -1.])
>>> np.copysign([-1, 0, 1], np.arange(3)-1)
array([-1.,  0.,  1.])
```

`numpy.frexp(x[, out1, out2], /[, out=(None, None)], *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'frexp'>`

Decompose the elements of  $x$  into mantissa and twos exponent.

Returns (*mantissa*, *exponent*), where  $x = \text{mantissa} * 2^{\text{exponent}}$ . The mantissa lies in the open interval (-1, 1), while the twos exponent is a signed integer.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Array of numbers to be decomposed.

**out1**

[ndarray, optional] Output array for the mantissa. Must have the same shape as  $x$ .

**out2**

[ndarray, optional] Output array for the exponent. Must have the same shape as  $x$ .

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**mantissa**

[ndarray] Floating values between -1 and 1. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**exponent**

[ndarray] Integer exponents of 2. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:**

**`ldexp`**

Compute  $y = x1 * 2^{x2}$ , the inverse of `frexp`.

**Notes**

Complex dtypes are not supported, they will raise a `TypeError`.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.arange(9)
>>> y1, y2 = np.frexp(x)
>>> y1
array([ 0.      ,  0.5     ,  0.5     ,  0.75    ,  0.5     ,
        0.625   ,  0.75    ,  0.875   ,
        0.5     ])
>>> y2
array([0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3, 4])
>>> y1 * 2**y2
array([ 0.,  1.,  2.,  3.,  4.,  5.,  6.,  7.,  8.])
```

`numpy.ldexp(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'ldexp'>`

Returns  $x1 * 2^{x2}$ , element-wise.

The mantissas  $x1$  and twos exponents  $x2$  are used to construct floating point numbers  $x1 * 2^{x2}$ .

**Parameters**

**x1**

[array\_like] Array of multipliers.

**x2**

[array\_like, int] Array of twos exponents. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns**

**y**

[ndarray or scalar] The result of  $x1 * 2^{**}x2$ . This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**See also:**

[\*\*frexp\*\*](#)

Return ( $y1$ ,  $y2$ ) from  $x = y1 * 2^{**}y2$ , inverse to [\*\*ldexp\*\*](#).

## Notes

Complex dtypes are not supported, they will raise a `TypeError`.

[\*\*ldexp\*\*](#) is useful as the inverse of [\*\*frexp\*\*](#), if used by itself it is more clear to simply use the expression  $x1 * 2^{**}x2$ .

## Examples

```
>>> np.ldexp(5, np.arange(4))
array([ 5., 10., 20., 40.], dtype=float16)
```

```
>>> x = np.arange(6)
>>> np.ldexp(*np.frexp(x))
array([ 0.,  1.,  2.,  3.,  4.,  5.])
```

`numpy.nextafter`( $x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'nextafter'>$

Return the next floating-point value after  $x1$  towards  $x2$ , element-wise.

### Parameters

**x1**

[array\_like] Values to find the next representable value of.

**x2**

[array\_like] The direction where to look for the next representable value of  $x1$ . If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] The next representable values of  $x1$  in the direction of  $x2$ . This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**Examples**

```
>>> eps = np.finfo(np.float64).eps
>>> np.nextafter(1, 2) == eps + 1
True
>>> np.nextafter([1, 2], [2, 1]) == [eps + 1, 2 - eps]
array([ True,  True])
```

`numpy.spacing(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'spacing'>`

Return the distance between  $x$  and the nearest adjacent number.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Values to find the spacing of.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the  $out$  array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the  $out$  array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized  $out$  array is created via the default  $out=None$ , locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] The spacing of values of  $x$ . This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

## Notes

It can be considered as a generalization of EPS: `spacing(np.float64(1)) == np.finfo(np.float64).eps`, and there should not be any representable number between  $x + \text{spacing}(x)$  and  $x$  for any finite  $x$ .

Spacing of +- inf and NaN is NaN.

## Examples

```
>>> np.spacing(1) == np.finfo(np.float64).eps
True
```

## 5.17.8 Rational routines

<code>lcm(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns the lowest common multiple of $ x_1 $ and $ x_2 $
<code>gcd(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns the greatest common divisor of $ x_1 $ and $ x_2 $

`numpy.lcm(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'lcm'>`

Returns the lowest common multiple of  $|x_1|$  and  $|x_2|$

### Parameters

#### x1, x2

[array\_like, int] Arrays of values. If  $x_1.\text{shape} \neq x_2.\text{shape}$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray or scalar] The lowest common multiple of the absolute value of the inputs This is a scalar if both  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are scalars.

### See also:

#### `gcd`

The greatest common divisor

## Examples

```
>>> np.lcm(12, 20)
60
>>> np.lcm.reduce([3, 12, 20])
60
>>> np.lcm.reduce([40, 12, 20])
120
>>> np.lcm(np.arange(6), 20)
array([ 0, 20, 20, 60, 20, 20])
```

```
numpy.gcd(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[,  
signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'gcd'>
```

Returns the greatest common divisor of |x1| and |x2|

### Parameters

#### x1, x2

[array\_like, int] Arrays of values. If x1.shape != x2.shape, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray or scalar] The greatest common divisor of the absolute value of the inputs This is a scalar if both x1 and x2 are scalars.

### See also:

#### [lcm](#)

The lowest common multiple

### Examples

```
>>> np.gcd(12, 20)  
4  
>>> np.gcd.reduce([15, 25, 35])  
5  
>>> np.gcd(np.arange(6), 20)  
array([20,  1,  2,  1,  4,  5])
```

## 5.17.9 Arithmetic operations

<code>add(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Add arguments element-wise.
<code>reciprocal(x, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the reciprocal of the argument, element-wise.
<code>positive(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Numerical positive, element-wise.
<code>negative(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Numerical negative, element-wise.
<code>multiply(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Multiply arguments element-wise.
<code>divide(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Divide arguments element-wise.
<code>power(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	First array elements raised to powers from second array, element-wise.
<code>subtract(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Subtract arguments, element-wise.
<code>true_divide(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Divide arguments element-wise.
<code>floor_divide(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	Return the largest integer smaller or equal to the division of the inputs.
<code>float_power(x1, x2, /[, out, where, ...])</code>	First array elements raised to powers from second array, element-wise.
<code>fmod(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Returns the element-wise remainder of division.
<code>mod(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns the element-wise remainder of division.
<code>modf(x[, out1, out2], / [[, out, where, ...]])</code>	Return the fractional and integral parts of an array, element-wise.
<code>remainder(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Returns the element-wise remainder of division.
<code>divmod(x1, x2[, out1, out2], / [[, out, ...]])</code>	Return element-wise quotient and remainder simultaneously.

```
numpy.add(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'add'>
```

Add arguments element-wise.

### Parameters

#### x1, x2

[array\_like] The arrays to be added. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### add

[ndarray or scalar] The sum of  $x1$  and  $x2$ , element-wise. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

## Notes

Equivalent to  $x1 + x2$  in terms of array broadcasting.

## Examples

```
>>> np.add(1.0, 4.0)
5.0
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.add(x1, x2)
array([[ 0.,  2.,  4.],
       [ 3.,  5.,  7.],
       [ 6.,  8., 10.]])
```

The `+` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.add` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = np.arange(3.0)
>>> x1 + x2
array([[ 0.,  2.,  4.],
       [ 3.,  5.,  7.],
       [ 6.,  8., 10.]])
```

`numpy.reciprocal`( $x$ ,  $/$ , `out=None`,  $*$ , `where=True`, `casting='same_kind'`, `order='K'`, `dtype=None`, `subok=True`[, `signature`, `extobj`]) = <ufunc 'reciprocal'>

Return the reciprocal of the argument, element-wise.

Calculates  $1/x$ .

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input array.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

y

[ndarray] Return array. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

## Notes

**Note:** This function is not designed to work with integers.

For integer arguments with absolute value larger than 1 the result is always zero because of the way Python handles integer division. For integer zero the result is an overflow.

## Examples

```
>>> np.reciprocal(2.)
0.5
>>> np.reciprocal([1, 2., 3.33])
array([ 1.        ,  0.5       ,  0.3003003])
```

numpy.**positive**( $x$ , /,  $out=None$ , \*,  $where=True$ ,  $casting='same\_kind'$ ,  $order='K'$ ,  $dtype=None$ ,  $subok=True$ [,  $signature$ ,  $extobj$ ]) = <ufunc 'positive'>

Numerical positive, element-wise.

New in version 1.13.0.

### Parameters

x

[array\_like or scalar] Input array.

### Returns

y

[ndarray or scalar] Returned array or scalar:  $y = +x$ . This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

## Notes

Equivalent to  $x.copy()$ , but only defined for types that support arithmetic.

## Examples

```
>>> x1 = np.array(([1., -1.]))
>>> np.positive(x1)
array([ 1., -1.])
```

The unary + operator can be used as a shorthand for np.positive on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.array(([1., -1.]))
>>> +x1
array([ 1., -1.])
```

```
numpy.negative(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'negative'>
```

Numerical negative, element-wise.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like or scalar] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray or scalar] Returned array or scalar:  $y = -x$ . This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

## Examples

```
>>> np.negative([1., -1.])
array([-1.,  1.])
```

The unary `-` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.negative` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.array(([1., -1.]))
>>> -x1
array([-1.,  1.])
```

```
numpy.multiply(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'multiply'>
```

Multiply arguments element-wise.

### Parameters

**x1, x2**

[array\_like] Input arrays to be multiplied. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] The product of *x1* and *x2*, element-wise. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

**Notes**

Equivalent to *x1* \* *x2* in terms of array broadcasting.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.multiply(2.0, 4.0)
8.0
```

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.multiply(x1, x2)
array([[ 0.,  1.,  4.],
       [ 0.,  4., 10.],
       [ 0.,  7., 16.]])
```

The \* operator can be used as a shorthand for np.multiply on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = np.arange(3.0)
>>> x1 * x2
array([[ 0.,  1.,  4.],
       [ 0.,  4., 10.],
       [ 0.,  7., 16.]])
```

`numpy.divide(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'divide'>`

Divide arguments element-wise.

**Parameters**

**x1**

[array\_like] Dividend array.

**x2**

[array\_like] Divisor array. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray or scalar] The quotient  $x1/x2$ , element-wise. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

**See also:****`seterr`**

Set whether to raise or warn on overflow, underflow and division by zero.

**Notes**

Equivalent to  $x1 / x2$  in terms of array-broadcasting.

The `true_divide(x1, x2)` function is an alias for `divide(x1, x2)`.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.divide(2.0, 4.0)
0.5
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.divide(x1, x2)
array([[nan,  1.,  1.],
       [inf,  4.,  2.5],
       [inf,  7.,  4.]])
```

The `/` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.divide` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = 2 * np.ones(3)
>>> x1 / x2
array([[0., 0.5, 1. ],
       [1.5, 2., 2.5],
       [3., 3.5, 4.]])
```

`numpy.power(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'power'>`

First array elements raised to powers from second array, element-wise.

Raise each base in *x1* to the positionally-corresponding power in *x2*. *x1* and *x2* must be broadcastable to the same shape.

An integer type raised to a negative integer power will raise a `ValueError`.

Negative values raised to a non-integral value will return `nan`. To get complex results, cast the input to complex, or specify the `dtype` to be `complex` (see the example below).

## Parameters

### **x1**

[array\_like] The bases.

### **x2**

[array\_like] The exponents. If *x1*.shape != *x2*.shape, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

### **out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

### **where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### **\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

## Returns

### **y**

[ndarray] The bases in *x1* raised to the exponents in *x2*. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

## See also:

### [`float\_power`](#)

power function that promotes integers to float

## Examples

Cube each element in an array.

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(6)
>>> x1
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> np.power(x1, 3)
array([ 0,  1,   8,  27,  64, 125])
```

Raise the bases to different exponents.

```
>>> x2 = [1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 3.0, 2.0, 1.0]
>>> np.power(x1, x2)
array([ 0.,  1.,   8.,  27.,  16.,   5.])
```

The effect of broadcasting.

```
>>> x2 = np.array([[1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1], [1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1]])
>>> x2
array([[1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1],
       [1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1]])
>>> np.power(x1, x2)
array([[ 0,  1,   8,  27,  16,   5],
       [ 0,  1,   8,  27,  16,   5]])
```

The `**` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.power` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x2 = np.array([1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1])
>>> x1 = np.arange(6)
>>> x1 ** x2
array([ 0,  1,   8,  27,  16,   5])
```

Negative values raised to a non-integral value will result in `nan` (and a warning will be generated).

```
>>> x3 = np.array([-1.0, -4.0])
>>> with np.errstate(invalid='ignore'):
...     p = np.power(x3, 1.5)
...
>>> p
array([nan, nan])
```

To get complex results, give the argument `dtype=complex`.

```
>>> np.power(x3, 1.5, dtype=complex)
array([-1.83697020e-16-1.j, -1.46957616e-15-8.j])
```

`numpy.subtract`(*x1*, *x2*, /, *out=None*, \*, *where=True*, *casting='same\_kind'*, *order='K'*, *dtype=None*, *subok=True*[, *signature*, *extobj*]) = <ufunc 'subtract'>

Subtract arguments, element-wise.

### Parameters

**x1, x2**

[array\_like] The arrays to be subtracted from each other. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] The difference of *x1* and *x2*, element-wise. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

**Notes**

Equivalent to *x1* – *x2* in terms of array broadcasting.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.subtract(1.0, 4.0)
-3.0
```

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.subtract(x1, x2)
array([[ 0.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 3.,  3.,  3.],
       [ 6.,  6.,  6.]])
```

The – operator can be used as a shorthand for np.subtract on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = np.arange(3.0)
>>> x1 - x2
array([[ 0.,  0.,  0.],
       [ 3.,  3.,  3.],
       [ 6.,  6.,  6.]])
```

`numpy.true_divide(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'divide'>`

Divide arguments element-wise.

**Parameters**

**x1**

[array\_like] Dividend array.

**x2**

[array\_like] Divisor array. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray or scalar] The quotient  $x1/x2$ , element-wise. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

**See also:****[seterr](#)**

Set whether to raise or warn on overflow, underflow and division by zero.

**Notes**

Equivalent to  $x1 / x2$  in terms of array-broadcasting.

The `true_divide(x1, x2)` function is an alias for `divide(x1, x2)`.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.divide(2.0, 4.0)
0.5
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = np.arange(3.0)
>>> np.divide(x1, x2)
array([[nan,  1.,  1.],
       [inf,  4.,  2.5],
       [inf,  7.,  4.]])
```

The `/` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.divide` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(9.0).reshape((3, 3))
>>> x2 = 2 * np.ones(3)
>>> x1 / x2
array([[0., 0.5, 1. ],
       [1.5, 2., 2.5],
       [3., 3.5, 4.]])
```

`numpy.floor_divide(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'floor_divide'>`

Return the largest integer smaller or equal to the division of the inputs. It is equivalent to the Python `//` operator and pairs with the Python `%` (`remainder`), function so that `a = a % b + b * (a // b)` up to roundoff.

### Parameters

#### x1

[array\_like] Numerator.

#### x2

[array\_like] Denominator. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray]  $y = \text{floor}(x1/x2)$  This is a scalar if both `x1` and `x2` are scalars.

### See also:

#### `remainder`

Remainder complementary to `floor_divide`.

#### `divmod`

Simultaneous floor division and remainder.

#### `divide`

Standard division.

**`floor`**

Round a number to the nearest integer toward minus infinity.

**`ceil`**

Round a number to the nearest integer toward infinity.

## Examples

```
>>> np.floor_divide(7, 3)
2
>>> np.floor_divide([1., 2., 3., 4.], 2.5)
array([ 0.,  0.,  1.,  1.])
```

The // operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.floor_divide` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.array([1., 2., 3., 4.])
>>> x1 // 2.5
array([0., 0., 1., 1.])
```

`numpy.float_power(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'float_power'>`

First array elements raised to powers from second array, element-wise.

Raise each base in `x1` to the positionally-corresponding power in `x2`. `x1` and `x2` must be broadcastable to the same shape. This differs from the power function in that integers, float16, and float32 are promoted to floats with a minimum precision of float64 so that the result is always inexact. The intent is that the function will return a usable result for negative powers and seldom overflow for positive powers.

Negative values raised to a non-integral value will return nan. To get complex results, cast the input to complex, or specify the `dtype` to be complex (see the example below).

New in version 1.12.0.

### Parameters

**`x1`**

[array\_like] The bases.

**`x2`**

[array\_like] The exponents. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**`out`**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possibly only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**`where`**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] The bases in  $x1$  raised to the exponents in  $x2$ . This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**See also:****[power](#)**

power function that preserves type

**Examples**

Cube each element in a list.

```
>>> x1 = range(6)
>>> x1
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> np.float_power(x1, 3)
array([ 0.,  1.,   8.,  27.,  64., 125.])
```

Raise the bases to different exponents.

```
>>> x2 = [1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 3.0, 2.0, 1.0]
>>> np.float_power(x1, x2)
array([ 0.,  1.,   8.,  27.,  16.,   5.])
```

The effect of broadcasting.

```
>>> x2 = np.array([[1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1], [1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1]])
>>> x2
array([[1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1],
       [1, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1]])
>>> np.float_power(x1, x2)
array([[ 0.,  1.,   8.,  27.,  16.,   5.],
       [ 0.,  1.,   8.,  27.,  16.,   5.]])
```

Negative values raised to a non-integral value will result in `nan` (and a warning will be generated).

```
>>> x3 = np.array([-1, -4])
>>> with np.errstate(invalid='ignore'):
...     p = np.float_power(x3, 1.5)
...
>>> p
array([nan, nan])
```

To get complex results, give the argument `dtype=complex`.

```
>>> np.float_power(x3, 1.5, dtype=complex)
array([-1.83697020e-16-1.j, -1.46957616e-15-8.j])
```

---

```
numpy.fmod(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[,  
signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'fmod'>
```

Returns the element-wise remainder of division.

This is the NumPy implementation of the C library function `fmod`, the remainder has the same sign as the dividend `x1`. It is equivalent to the Matlab(TM) `rem` function and should not be confused with the Python modulus operator `x1 % x2`.

### Parameters

#### `x1`

[array\_like] Dividend.

#### `x2`

[array\_like] Divisor. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### `out`

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### `where`

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### `**kwargs`

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### `y`

[array\_like] The remainder of the division of `x1` by `x2`. This is a scalar if both `x1` and `x2` are scalars.

### See also:

#### [`remainder`](#)

Equivalent to the Python `%` operator.

#### [`divide`](#)

## Notes

The result of the modulo operation for negative dividend and divisors is bound by conventions. For `fmod`, the sign of result is the sign of the dividend, while for `remainder` the sign of the result is the sign of the divisor. The `fmod` function is equivalent to the Matlab(TM) `rem` function.

## Examples

```
>>> np.fmod([-3, -2, -1, 1, 2, 3], 2)
array([-1, 0, -1, 1, 0, 1])
>>> np.remainder([-3, -2, -1, 1, 2, 3], 2)
array([1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1])
```

```
>>> np.fmod([5, 3], [2, 2.])
array([ 1.,  1.])
>>> a = np.arange(-3, 3).reshape(3, 2)
>>> a
array([[[-3, -2],
       [-1,  0],
       [ 1,  2]]])
>>> np.fmod(a, [2, 2])
array([[[-1,  0],
       [-1,  0],
       [ 1,  0]]])
```

`numpy.mod(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'remainder'>`

Returns the element-wise remainder of division.

Computes the remainder complementary to the `floor_divide` function. It is equivalent to the Python modulus operator “`x1 % x2`“ and has the same sign as the divisor `x2`. The MATLAB function equivalent to `np.remainder` is `mod`.

**Warning:** This should not be confused with:

- Python 3.7’s `math.remainder` and C’s `remainder`, which computes the IEEE remainder, which are the complement to `round(x1 / x2)`.
- The MATLAB `rem` function and or the C `%` operator which is the complement to `int(x1 / x2)`.

## Parameters

### x1

[array\_like] Dividend array.

### x2

[array\_like] Divisor array. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None,

a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray] The element-wise remainder of the quotient `floor_divide(x1, x2)`. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

See also:

[\*\*`floor\_divide`\*\*](#)

Equivalent of Python `//` operator.

[\*\*`divmod`\*\*](#)

Simultaneous floor division and remainder.

[\*\*`fmod`\*\*](#)

Equivalent of the MATLAB `rem` function.

[\*\*`divide, floor`\*\*](#)

### Notes

Returns 0 when *x2* is 0 and both *x1* and *x2* are (arrays of) integers. `mod` is an alias of `remainder`.

### Examples

```
>>> np.remainder([4, 7], [2, 3])
array([0, 1])
>>> np.remainder(np.arange(7), 5)
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 0, 1])
```

The `%` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.remainder` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(7)
>>> x1 % 5
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 0, 1])
```

`numpy.modf(x[, out1, out2], /[, out=(None, None)], *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'modf'>`

Return the fractional and integral parts of an array, element-wise.

The fractional and integral parts are negative if the given number is negative.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y1**[ndarray] Fractional part of *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.**y2**[ndarray] Integral part of *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.**See also:**[\*\*divmod\*\*](#)

`divmod(x, 1)` is equivalent to `modf` with the return values switched, except it always has a positive remainder.

**Notes**

For integer input the return values are floats.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.modf([0, 3.5])
(array([ 0.,  0.5]), array([ 0.,  3.]))
>>> np.modf(-0.5)
(-0.5, -0)
```

```
numpy.remainder(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None,
              subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'remainder'>
```

Returns the element-wise remainder of division.

Computes the remainder complementary to the `floor_divide` function. It is equivalent to the Python modulus operator “`x1 % x2`” and has the same sign as the divisor `x2`. The MATLAB function equivalent to `np.remainder` is `mod`.

**Warning:** This should not be confused with:

- Python 3.7’s `math.remainder` and C’s `remainder`, which computes the IEEE remainder, which are the complement to `round(x1 / x2)`.
- The MATLAB `rem` function and or the C `%` operator which is the complement to `int(x1 / x2)`.

## Parameters

### `x1`

[array\_like] Dividend array.

### `x2`

[array\_like] Divisor array. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

### `out`

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

### `where`

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### `**kwargs`

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

## Returns

### `y`

[ndarray] The element-wise remainder of the quotient `floor_divide(x1, x2)`. This is a scalar if both `x1` and `x2` are scalars.

## See also:

### `floor_divide`

Equivalent of Python `//` operator.

### `divmod`

Simultaneous floor division and remainder.

### `fmod`

Equivalent of the MATLAB `rem` function.

`divide, floor`

## Notes

Returns 0 when  $x2$  is 0 and both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are (arrays of) integers. `mod` is an alias of `remainder`.

## Examples

```
>>> np.remainder([4, 7], [2, 3])
array([0, 1])
>>> np.remainder(np.arange(7), 5)
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 0, 1])
```

The `%` operator can be used as a shorthand for `np.remainder` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x1 = np.arange(7)
>>> x1 % 5
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 0, 1])
```

`numpy.divmod(x1, x2[, out1, out2], /[, out=(None, None)], *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'divmod'>`

Return element-wise quotient and remainder simultaneously.

New in version 1.13.0.

`np.divmod(x, y)` is equivalent to `(x // y, x % y)`, but faster because it avoids redundant work. It is used to implement the Python built-in function `divmod` on NumPy arrays.

## Parameters

### x1

[array\_like] Dividend array.

### x2

[array\_like] Divisor array. If  $x1.shape \neq x2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or `None`, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

## Returns

**out1**

[ndarray] Element-wise quotient resulting from floor division. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**out2**

[ndarray] Element-wise remainder from floor division. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**See also:**

***floor\_divide***

Equivalent to Python's // operator.

***remainder***

Equivalent to Python's % operator.

***modf***

Equivalent to `divmod(x, 1)` for positive  $x$  with the return values switched.

## Examples

```
>>> np.divmod(np.arange(5), 3)
(array([0, 0, 0, 1, 1]), array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1]))
```

The `divmod` function can be used as a shorthand for `np.divmod` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x = np.arange(5)
>>> divmod(x, 3)
(array([0, 0, 0, 1, 1]), array([0, 1, 2, 0, 1]))
```

## 5.17.10 Handling complex numbers

<code>angle(z[, deg])</code>	Return the angle of the complex argument.
<code>real(val)</code>	Return the real part of the complex argument.
<code>imag(val)</code>	Return the imaginary part of the complex argument.
<code>conj(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.
<code>conjugate(x, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.

`numpy.angle(z, deg=False)`

Return the angle of the complex argument.

**Parameters*****z***

[array\_like] A complex number or sequence of complex numbers.

***deg***

[bool, optional] Return angle in degrees if True, radians if False (default).

**Returns**

**angle**

[ndarray or scalar] The counterclockwise angle from the positive real axis on the complex plane in the range  $(-\pi, \pi]$ , with dtype as numpy.float64.

Changed in version 1.16.0: This function works on subclasses of ndarray like `ma.array`.

**See also:**

[arctan2](#)

[absolute](#)

**Notes**

Although the angle of the complex number 0 is undefined, `numpy.angle(0)` returns the value 0.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.angle([1.0, 1.0j, 1+1j])           # in radians
array([ 0.          ,  1.57079633,  0.78539816]) # may vary
>>> np.angle(1+1j, deg=True)             # in degrees
45.0
```

`numpy.real(val)`

Return the real part of the complex argument.

**Parameters****val**

[array\_like] Input array.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] The real component of the complex argument. If `val` is real, the type of `val` is used for the output. If `val` has complex elements, the returned type is float.

**See also:**

[real\\_if\\_close](#), [imag](#), [angle](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([1+2j, 3+4j, 5+6j])
>>> a.real
array([1.,  3.,  5.])
>>> a.real = 9
>>> a
array([9.+2.j,  9.+4.j,  9.+6.j])
>>> a.real = np.array([9, 8, 7])
>>> a
```

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```

array([9.+2.j,  8.+4.j,  7.+6.j])
>>> np.real(1 + 1j)
1.0

```

**numpy.`imag`(*val*)**

Return the imaginary part of the complex argument.

**Parameters****`val`**

[array\_like] Input array.

**Returns****`out`**

[ndarray or scalar] The imaginary component of the complex argument. If *val* is real, the type of *val* is used for the output. If *val* has complex elements, the returned type is float.

**See also:**

[`real`](#), [`angle`](#), [`real\_if\_close`](#)

**Examples**

```

>>> a = np.array([1+2j, 3+4j, 5+6j])
>>> a.imag
array([2.,  4.,  6.])
>>> a.imag = np.array([8, 10, 12])
>>> a
array([1. +8.j,  3.+10.j,  5.+12.j])
>>> np.imag(1 + 1j)
1.0

```

**numpy.`conj`(*x*, /, *out=None*, \*, *where=True*, *casting='same\_kind'*, *order='K'*, *dtype=None*, *subok=True*, *signature*, *extobj*]) = <ufunc 'conjugate'>**

Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.

The complex conjugate of a complex number is obtained by changing the sign of its imaginary part.

**Parameters****`x`**

[array\_like] Input value.

**`out`**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] The complex conjugate of *x*, with same dtype as *y*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

**Notes**

*conj* is an alias for *conjugate*:

```
>>> np.conj is np.conjugate
True
```

**Examples**

```
>>> np.conjugate(1+2j)
(1-2j)
```

```
>>> x = np.eye(2) + 1j * np.eye(2)
>>> np.conjugate(x)
array([[ 1.-1.j,  0.-0.j],
       [ 0.-0.j,  1.-1.j]])
```

`numpy.conjugate(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'conjugate'>`

Return the complex conjugate, element-wise.

The complex conjugate of a complex number is obtained by changing the sign of its imaginary part.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input value.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain

its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray] The complex conjugate of *x*, with same dtype as *y*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

### Notes

*conj* is an alias for *conjugate*:

```
>>> np.conj is np.conjugate
True
```

### Examples

```
>>> np.conjugate(1+2j)
(1-2j)
```

```
>>> x = np.eye(2) + 1j * np.eye(2)
>>> np.conjugate(x)
array([[ 1.-1.j,   0.-0.j],
       [ 0.-0.j,   1.-1.j]])
```

## 5.17.11 Extrema Finding

<code>maximum(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise maximum of array elements.
<code>fmax(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise maximum of array elements.
<code>amax(a[, axis, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return the maximum of an array or maximum along an axis.
<code>nanmax(a[, axis, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return the maximum of an array or maximum along an axis, ignoring any NaNs.
<code>minimum(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise minimum of array elements.
<code>fmin(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Element-wise minimum of array elements.
<code>amin(a[, axis, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return the minimum of an array or minimum along an axis.
<code>nanmin(a[, axis, out, keepdims, initial, where])</code>	Return minimum of an array or minimum along an axis, ignoring any NaNs.

```
numpy .maximum (x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'maximum'>
```

Element-wise maximum of array elements.

Compare two arrays and returns a new array containing the element-wise maxima. If one of the elements being compared is a NaN, then that element is returned. If both elements are NaNs then the first is returned. The latter

distinction is important for complex NaNs, which are defined as at least one of the real or imaginary parts being a NaN. The net effect is that NaNs are propagated.

### Parameters

#### x1, x2

[array\_like] The arrays holding the elements to be compared. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray or scalar] The maximum of `x1` and `x2`, element-wise. This is a scalar if both `x1` and `x2` are scalars.

### See also:

#### [`minimum`](#)

Element-wise minimum of two arrays, propagates NaNs.

#### [`fmax`](#)

Element-wise maximum of two arrays, ignores NaNs.

#### [`amax`](#)

The maximum value of an array along a given axis, propagates NaNs.

#### [`nanmax`](#)

The maximum value of an array along a given axis, ignores NaNs.

#### [`fmin, amin, nanmin`](#)

## Notes

The maximum is equivalent to `np.where(x1 >= x2, x1, x2)` when neither `x1` nor `x2` are nans, but it is faster and does proper broadcasting.

## Examples

```
>>> np.maximum([2, 3, 4], [1, 5, 2])
array([2, 5, 4])
```

```
>>> np.maximum(np.eye(2), [0.5, 2]) # broadcasting
array([[ 1.,  2.],
       [ 0.5,  2.]])
```

```
>>> np.maximum([np.nan, 0, np.nan], [0, np.nan, np.nan])
array([nan, nan, nan])
>>> np.maximum(np.Inf, 1)
inf
```

`numpy.fmax(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'fmax'>`

Element-wise maximum of array elements.

Compare two arrays and returns a new array containing the element-wise maxima. If one of the elements being compared is a NaN, then the non-nan element is returned. If both elements are NaNs then the first is returned. The latter distinction is important for complex NaNs, which are defined as at least one of the real or imaginary parts being a NaN. The net effect is that NaNs are ignored when possible.

### Parameters

#### x1, x2

[array\_like] The arrays holding the elements to be compared. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray or scalar] The maximum of  $x1$  and  $x2$ , element-wise. This is a scalar if both  $x1$  and  $x2$  are scalars.

**See also:****fmin**

Element-wise minimum of two arrays, ignores NaNs.

**maximum**

Element-wise maximum of two arrays, propagates NaNs.

**amax**

The maximum value of an array along a given axis, propagates NaNs.

**nanmax**

The maximum value of an array along a given axis, ignores NaNs.

**minimum, amin, nanmin****Notes**

New in version 1.3.0.

The fmax is equivalent to `np.where(x1 >= x2, x1, x2)` when neither  $x1$  nor  $x2$  are NaNs, but it is faster and does proper broadcasting.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.fmax([2, 3, 4], [1, 5, 2])
array([ 2.,  5.,  4.])
```

```
>>> np.fmax(np.eye(2), [0.5, 2])
array([[ 1.,  2.],
       [ 0.5,  2.]])
```

```
>>> np.fmax([np.nan, 0, np.nan], [0, np.nan, np.nan])
array([ 0.,  0., nan])
```

`numpy.amax(a, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, initial=<no value>, where=<no value>)`

Return the maximum of an array or maximum along an axis.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input data.

**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which to operate. By default, flattened input is used.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, the maximum is selected over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. Must be of the same shape and buffer length as the expected output. See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then *keepdims* will not be passed through to the `amax` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement *keepdims* any exceptions will be raised.

**initial**

[scalar, optional] The minimum value of an output element. Must be present to allow computation on empty slice. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.15.0.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to compare for the maximum. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns****amax**

[ndarray or scalar] Maximum of *a*. If *axis* is None, the result is a scalar value. If *axis* is given, the result is an array of dimension `a.ndim - 1`.

**See also:****`amin`**

The minimum value of an array along a given axis, propagating any NaNs.

**`nanmax`**

The maximum value of an array along a given axis, ignoring any NaNs.

**`maximum`**

Element-wise maximum of two arrays, propagating any NaNs.

**`fmax`**

Element-wise maximum of two arrays, ignoring any NaNs.

**`argmax`**

Return the indices of the maximum values.

**`nanmin, minimum, fmin`**

## Notes

NaN values are propagated, that is if at least one item is NaN, the corresponding max value will be NaN as well. To ignore NaN values (MATLAB behavior), please use nanmax.

Don't use `amax` for element-wise comparison of 2 arrays; when `a.shape[0]` is 2, `maximum(a[0], a[1])` is faster than `amax(a, axis=0)`.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(4).reshape((2,2))
>>> a
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
>>> np.amax(a)          # Maximum of the flattened array
3
>>> np.amax(a, axis=0)  # Maxima along the first axis
array([2, 3])
>>> np.amax(a, axis=1)  # Maxima along the second axis
array([1, 3])
>>> np.amax(a, where=[False, True], initial=-1, axis=0)
array([-1, 3])
>>> b = np.arange(5, dtype=float)
>>> b[2] = np.NaN
>>> np.amax(b)
nan
>>> np.amax(b, where=~np.isnan(b), initial=-1)
4.0
>>> np.nanmax(b)
4.0
```

You can use an initial value to compute the maximum of an empty slice, or to initialize it to a different value:

```
>>> np.amax([-50, 10], axis=-1, initial=0)
array([ 0, 10])
```

Notice that the initial value is used as one of the elements for which the maximum is determined, unlike for the default argument Python's max function, which is only used for empty iterables.

```
>>> np.amax([5], initial=6)
6
>>> max([5], default=6)
5
```

`numpy.nanmax(a, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, initial=<no value>, where=<no value>)`

Return the maximum of an array or maximum along an axis, ignoring any NaNs. When all-NaN slices are encountered a `RuntimeWarning` is raised and NaN is returned for that slice.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose maximum is desired. If `a` is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

**axis**

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the maximum is computed. The default is to compute the maximum of the flattened array.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. The default is `None`; if provided, it must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type will be cast if necessary. See `ufuncs-output-type` for more details.

New in version 1.8.0.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to `True`, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original `a`.

If the value is anything but the default, then `keepdims` will be passed through to the `max` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`. If the sub-classes methods does not implement `keepdims` any exceptions will be raised.

New in version 1.8.0.

**initial**

[scalar, optional] The minimum value of an output element. Must be present to allow computation on empty slice. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to compare for the maximum. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

**Returns****nanmax**

[ndarray] An array with the same shape as `a`, with the specified axis removed. If `a` is a 0-d array, or if axis is `None`, an ndarray scalar is returned. The same `dtype` as `a` is returned.

**See also:****`nanmin`**

The minimum value of an array along a given axis, ignoring any NaNs.

**`amax`**

The maximum value of an array along a given axis, propagating any NaNs.

**`fmax`**

Element-wise maximum of two arrays, ignoring any NaNs.

**`maximum`**

Element-wise maximum of two arrays, propagating any NaNs.

**`isnan`**

Shows which elements are Not a Number (NaN).

***isfinite***

Shows which elements are neither NaN nor infinity.

***amin, fmin, minimum*****Notes**

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). This means that Not a Number is not equivalent to infinity. Positive infinity is treated as a very large number and negative infinity is treated as a very small (i.e. negative) number.

If the input has a integer type the function is equivalent to np.max.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, np.nan]])
>>> np.nanmax(a)
3.0
>>> np.nanmax(a, axis=0)
array([3., 2.])
>>> np.nanmax(a, axis=1)
array([2., 3.])
```

When positive infinity and negative infinity are present:

```
>>> np.nanmax([1, 2, np.nan, np.NINF])
2.0
>>> np.nanmax([1, 2, np.nan, np.inf])
inf
```

`numpy.minimum(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'minimum'>`

Element-wise minimum of array elements.

Compare two arrays and returns a new array containing the element-wise minima. If one of the elements being compared is a NaN, then that element is returned. If both elements are NaNs then the first is returned. The latter distinction is important for complex NaNs, which are defined as at least one of the real or imaginary parts being a NaN. The net effect is that NaNs are propagated.

**Parameters****x1, x2**

[array\_like] The arrays holding the elements to be compared. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray or scalar] The minimum of *x1* and *x2*, element-wise. This is a scalar if both *x1* and *x2* are scalars.

### See also:

#### [\*maximum\*](#)

Element-wise maximum of two arrays, propagates NaNs.

#### [\*fmin\*](#)

Element-wise minimum of two arrays, ignores NaNs.

#### [\*amin\*](#)

The minimum value of an array along a given axis, propagates NaNs.

#### [\*nanmin\*](#)

The minimum value of an array along a given axis, ignores NaNs.

#### [\*fmax, amax, nanmax\*](#)

### Notes

The minimum is equivalent to `np.where(x1 <= x2, x1, x2)` when neither *x1* nor *x2* are NaNs, but it is faster and does proper broadcasting.

### Examples

```
>>> np.minimum([2, 3, 4], [1, 5, 2])
array([1, 3, 2])
```

```
>>> np.minimum(np.eye(2), [0.5, 2]) # broadcasting
array([[ 0.5,  0. ],
       [ 0.,  1.]])
```

```
>>> np.minimum([np.nan, 0, np.nan], [0, np.nan, np.nan])
array([nan, nan, nan])
>>> np.minimum(-np.Inf, 1)
-inf
```

```
numpy.fmin(x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[,  
signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'fmin'>
```

Element-wise minimum of array elements.

Compare two arrays and returns a new array containing the element-wise minima. If one of the elements being compared is a NaN, then the non-nan element is returned. If both elements are NaNs then the first is returned. The latter distinction is important for complex NaNs, which are defined as at least one of the real or imaginary parts being a NaN. The net effect is that NaNs are ignored when possible.

#### Parameters

##### x1, x2

[array\_like] The arrays holding the elements to be compared. If `x1.shape != x2.shape`, they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

##### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

##### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

##### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

#### Returns

##### y

[ndarray or scalar] The minimum of `x1` and `x2`, element-wise. This is a scalar if both `x1` and `x2` are scalars.

#### See also:

##### [`fmax`](#)

Element-wise maximum of two arrays, ignores NaNs.

##### [`minimum`](#)

Element-wise minimum of two arrays, propagates NaNs.

##### [`amin`](#)

The minimum value of an array along a given axis, propagates NaNs.

##### [`nanmin`](#)

The minimum value of an array along a given axis, ignores NaNs.

##### [`maximum, amax, nanmax`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.3.0.

The fmin is equivalent to `np.where(x1 <= x2, x1, x2)` when neither x1 nor x2 are NaNs, but it is faster and does proper broadcasting.

## Examples

```
>>> np.fmin([2, 3, 4], [1, 5, 2])
array([1, 3, 2])
```

```
>>> np.fmin(np.eye(2), [0.5, 2])
array([[ 0.5,  0. ],
       [ 0.,  1.]])
```

```
>>> np.fmin([np.nan, 0, np.nan], [0, np.nan, np.nan])
array([ 0.,  0., nan])
```

`numpy.amin(a, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, initial=<no value>, where=<no value>)`

Return the minimum of an array or minimum along an axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input data.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which to operate. By default, flattened input is used.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, the minimum is selected over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. Must be of the same shape and buffer length as the expected output. See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then `keepdims` will not be passed through to the `amin` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement `keepdims` any exceptions will be raised.

#### initial

[scalar, optional] The maximum value of an output element. Must be present to allow computation on empty slice. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.15.0.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to compare for the minimum. See [reduce](#) for details.

New in version 1.17.0.

**Returns****amin**

[ndarray or scalar] Minimum of  $a$ . If  $axis$  is None, the result is a scalar value. If  $axis$  is given, the result is an array of dimension  $a.ndim - 1$ .

**See also:****amax**

The maximum value of an array along a given axis, propagating any NaNs.

**nanmin**

The minimum value of an array along a given axis, ignoring any NaNs.

**minimum**

Element-wise minimum of two arrays, propagating any NaNs.

**fmin**

Element-wise minimum of two arrays, ignoring any NaNs.

**argmin**

Return the indices of the minimum values.

**nanmax, maximum, fmax****Notes**

NaN values are propagated, that is if at least one item is NaN, the corresponding min value will be NaN as well. To ignore NaN values (MATLAB behavior), please use nanmin.

Don't use `amin` for element-wise comparison of 2 arrays; when  $a.shape[0]$  is 2, `minimum(a[0], a[1])` is faster than `amin(a, axis=0)`.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.arange(4).reshape((2,2))
>>> a
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
>>> np.amin(a)           # Minimum of the flattened array
0
>>> np.amin(a, axis=0)   # Minima along the first axis
array([0, 1])
>>> np.amin(a, axis=1)   # Minima along the second axis
array([0, 2])
>>> np.amin(a, where=[False, True], initial=10, axis=0)
array([10,  1])
```

```
>>> b = np.arange(5, dtype=float)
>>> b[2] = np.NaN
>>> np.amin(b)
nan
>>> np.amin(b, where=~np.isnan(b), initial=10)
0.0
>>> np.nanmin(b)
0.0
```

```
>>> np.amin([-50, 10], axis=-1, initial=0)
array([-50,    0])
```

Notice that the initial value is used as one of the elements for which the minimum is determined, unlike for the default argument Python's `max` function, which is only used for empty iterables.

Notice that this isn't the same as Python's `default` argument.

```
>>> np.amin([6], initial=5)
5
>>> min([6], default=5)
6
```

`numpy.nanmin(a, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, initial=<no value>, where=<no value>)`

Return minimum of an array or minimum along an axis, ignoring any NaNs. When all-NaN slices are encountered a `RuntimeWarning` is raised and Nan is returned for that slice.

## Parameters

### a

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose minimum is desired. If `a` is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

### axis

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the minimum is computed. The default is to compute the minimum of the flattened array.

### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. The default is `None`; if provided, it must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type will be cast if necessary. See `ufuncs-output-type` for more details.

New in version 1.8.0.

### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original `a`.

If the value is anything but the default, then `keepdims` will be passed through to the `min` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`. If the sub-classes methods does not implement `keepdims` any exceptions will be raised.

New in version 1.8.0.

### initial

[scalar, optional] The maximum value of an output element. Must be present to allow computation on empty slice. See [reduce](#) for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

#### where

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to compare for the minimum. See [reduce](#) for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

#### Returns

##### **nanmin**

[ndarray] An array with the same shape as  $a$ , with the specified axis removed. If  $a$  is a 0-d array, or if axis is None, an ndarray scalar is returned. The same dtype as  $a$  is returned.

#### See also:

##### [\*\*nanmax\*\*](#)

The maximum value of an array along a given axis, ignoring any NaNs.

##### [\*\*amin\*\*](#)

The minimum value of an array along a given axis, propagating any NaNs.

##### [\*\*fmin\*\*](#)

Element-wise minimum of two arrays, ignoring any NaNs.

##### [\*\*minimum\*\*](#)

Element-wise minimum of two arrays, propagating any NaNs.

##### [\*\*isnan\*\*](#)

Shows which elements are Not a Number (NaN).

##### [\*\*isfinite\*\*](#)

Shows which elements are neither NaN nor infinity.

##### [\*\*amax, fmax, maximum\*\*](#)

#### Notes

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). This means that Not a Number is not equivalent to infinity. Positive infinity is treated as a very large number and negative infinity is treated as a very small (i.e. negative) number.

If the input has a integer type the function is equivalent to np.min.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, np.nan]])
>>> np.nanmin(a)
1.0
>>> np.nanmin(a, axis=0)
array([1., 2.])
>>> np.nanmin(a, axis=1)
array([1., 3.])
```

When positive infinity and negative infinity are present:

```
>>> np.nanmin([1, 2, np.nan, np.inf])
1.0
>>> np.nanmin([1, 2, np.nan, np.NINF])
-inf
```

## 5.17.12 Miscellaneous

<code>convolve(a, v[, mode])</code>	Returns the discrete, linear convolution of two one-dimensional sequences.
<code>clip(a, a_min, a_max[, out])</code>	Clip (limit) the values in an array.
<code>sqrt(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the non-negative square-root of an array, element-wise.
<code>cbrt(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the cube-root of an array, element-wise.
<code>square(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Return the element-wise square of the input.
<code>absolute(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Calculate the absolute value element-wise.
<code>fabs(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Compute the absolute values element-wise.
<code>sign(x, /[, out, where, casting, order, ...])</code>	Returns an element-wise indication of the sign of a number.
<code>heaviside(x1, x2, /[, out, where, casting, ...])</code>	Compute the Heaviside step function.
<code>nan_to_num(x[, copy, nan, posinf, neginf])</code>	Replace NaN with zero and infinity with large finite numbers (default behaviour) or with the numbers defined by the user using the <code>nan</code> , <code>posinf</code> and/or <code>neginf</code> keywords.
<code>real_if_close(a[, tol])</code>	If input is complex with all imaginary parts close to zero, return real parts.
<code>interp(x, xp, fp[, left, right, period])</code>	One-dimensional linear interpolation for monotonically increasing sample points.

`numpy.convolve (a, v, mode='full')`

Returns the discrete, linear convolution of two one-dimensional sequences.

The convolution operator is often seen in signal processing, where it models the effect of a linear time-invariant system on a signal [1]. In probability theory, the sum of two independent random variables is distributed according to the convolution of their individual distributions.

If *v* is longer than *a*, the arrays are swapped before computation.

### Parameters

#### a

[(N,) array\_like] First one-dimensional input array.

v

[(M,) array\_like] Second one-dimensional input array.

**mode**

[{‘full’, ‘valid’, ‘same’}, optional]

**‘full’:**

By default, mode is ‘full’. This returns the convolution at each point of overlap, with an output shape of (N+M-1,). At the end-points of the convolution, the signals do not overlap completely, and boundary effects may be seen.

**‘same’:**

Mode ‘same’ returns output of length  $\max(M, N)$ . Boundary effects are still visible.

**‘valid’:**

Mode ‘valid’ returns output of length  $\max(M, N) - \min(M, N) + 1$ . The convolution product is only given for points where the signals overlap completely. Values outside the signal boundary have no effect.

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray] Discrete, linear convolution of  $a$  and  $v$ .

**See also:**

[scipy.signal.convolve](#)

Convolve two arrays using the Fast Fourier Transform.

[scipy.linalg.toeplitz](#)

Used to construct the convolution operator.

[polymul](#)

Polynomial multiplication. Same output as convolve, but also accepts poly1d objects as input.

**Notes**

The discrete convolution operation is defined as

$$(a * v)_n = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} a_m v_{n-m}$$

It can be shown that a convolution  $x(t) * y(t)$  in time/space is equivalent to the multiplication  $X(f)Y(f)$  in the Fourier domain, after appropriate padding (padding is necessary to prevent circular convolution). Since multiplication is more efficient (faster) than convolution, the function [scipy.signal.convolve](#) exploits the FFT to calculate the convolution of large data-sets.

## References

[1]

## Examples

Note how the convolution operator flips the second array before “sliding” the two across one another:

```
>>> np.convolve([1, 2, 3], [0, 1, 0.5])
array([0., 1., 2.5, 4., 1.5])
```

Only return the middle values of the convolution. Contains boundary effects, where zeros are taken into account:

```
>>> np.convolve([1,2,3],[0,1,0.5], 'same')
array([1., 2.5, 4.])
```

The two arrays are of the same length, so there is only one position where they completely overlap:

```
>>> np.convolve([1,2,3],[0,1,0.5], 'valid')
array([2.5])
```

`numpy.clip(a, a_min, a_max, out=None, **kwargs)`

Clip (limit) the values in an array.

Given an interval, values outside the interval are clipped to the interval edges. For example, if an interval of `[0, 1]` is specified, values smaller than 0 become 0, and values larger than 1 become 1.

Equivalent to but faster than `np.minimum(a_max, np.maximum(a, a_min))`.

No check is performed to ensure `a_min < a_max`.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array containing elements to clip.

#### a\_min, a\_max

[array\_like or None] Minimum and maximum value. If `None`, clipping is not performed on the corresponding edge. Only one of `a_min` and `a_max` may be `None`. Both are broadcast against `a`.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] The results will be placed in this array. It may be the input array for in-place clipping. `out` must be of the right shape to hold the output. Its type is preserved.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

New in version 1.17.0.

### Returns

#### clipped\_array

[ndarray] An array with the elements of `a`, but where values  $< a_{\text{min}}$  are replaced with `a_min`, and those  $> a_{\text{max}}$  with `a_max`.

See also:

[ufuncs-output-type](#)

## Notes

When  $a_{\min}$  is greater than  $a_{\max}$ , `clip` returns an array in which all values are equal to  $a_{\max}$ , as shown in the second example.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(10)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> np.clip(a, 1, 8)
array([1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8])
>>> np.clip(a, 8, 1)
array([1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1])
>>> np.clip(a, 3, 6, out=a)
array([3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 6, 6])
>>> a
array([3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 6, 6])
>>> a = np.arange(10)
>>> a
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> np.clip(a, [3, 4, 1, 1, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4], 8)
array([3, 4, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8])
```

`numpy.sqrt(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'sqrt'>`

Return the non-negative square-root of an array, element-wise.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] The values whose square-roots are required.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray] An array of the same shape as  $x$ , containing the positive square-root of each element in  $x$ . If any element in  $x$  is complex, a complex array is returned (and the square-roots of negative reals are calculated). If all of the elements in  $x$  are real, so is  $y$ , with negative elements returning nan. If  $out$  was provided,  $y$  is a reference to it. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

**See also:**

[`emath.sqrt`](#)

A version which returns complex numbers when given negative reals.

**Note**

0.0 and -0.0 are handled differently for complex inputs.

## Notes

`sqrt` has—consistent with common convention—as its branch cut the real “interval” [-*inf*, 0), and is continuous from above on it. A branch cut is a curve in the complex plane across which a given complex function fails to be continuous.

## Examples

```
>>> np.sqrt([1, 4, 9])
array([ 1.,  2.,  3.])
```

```
>>> np.sqrt([4, -1, -3+4J])
array([ 2.+0.j,  0.+1.j,  1.+2.j])
```

```
>>> np.sqrt([4, -1, np.inf])
array([ 2., nan, inf])
```

`numpy.cbrt`( $x$ ,  $/$ ,  $out=None$ ,  $*$ ,  $where=True$ ,  $casting='same\_kind'$ ,  $order='K'$ ,  $dtype=None$ ,  $subok=True$ [,  $signature$ ,  $extobj$ ]) = <ufunc 'cbrt'>

Return the cube-root of an array, element-wise.

New in version 1.10.0.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] The values whose cube-roots are required.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the  $out$  array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the  $out$  array will retain

its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray] An array of the same shape as *x*, containing the cube cube-root of each element in *x*. If *out* was provided, *y* is a reference to it. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

### Examples

```
>>> np.cbrt([1, 8, 27])
array([ 1.,  2.,  3.])
```

```
numpy.square(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'square'>
```

Return the element-wise square of the input.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Input data.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out*=None, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Element-wise  $x^*x$ , of the same shape and dtype as *x*. This is a scalar if *x* is a scalar.

### See also:

[numpy.linalg.matrix\\_power](#)

[sqrt](#)

**power****Examples**

```
>>> np.square([-1j, 1])
array([-1.-0.j,  1.+0.j])
```

`numpy.absolute(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'absolute'>`

Calculate the absolute value element-wise.

`np.abs` is a shorthand for this function.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Input array.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

**Returns****absolute**

[ndarray] An ndarray containing the absolute value of each element in `x`. For complex input, `a + ib`, the absolute value is  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ . This is a scalar if `x` is a scalar.

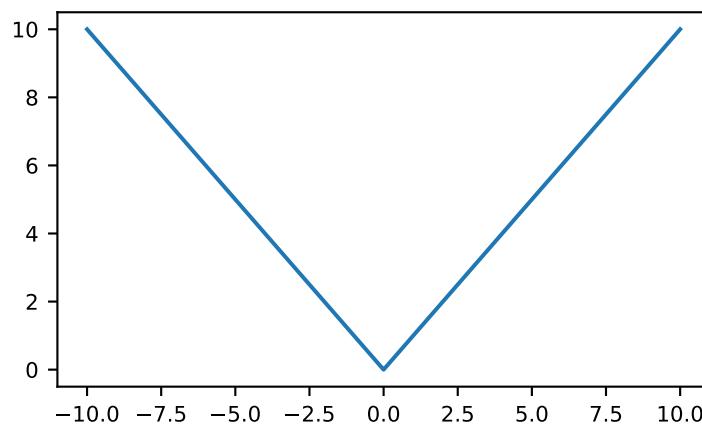
**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([-1.2, 1.2])
>>> np.absolute(x)
array([ 1.2,  1.2])
>>> np.absolute(1.2 + 1j)
1.5620499351813308
```

Plot the function over [-10, 10]:

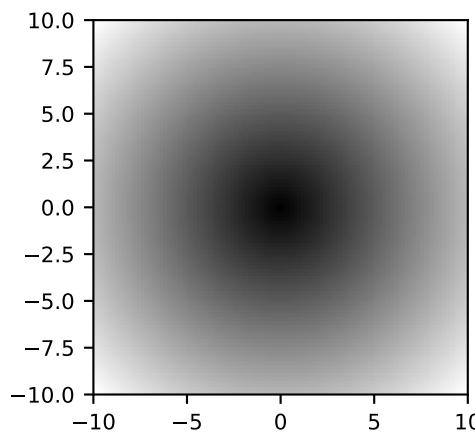
```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
>>> x = np.linspace(start=-10, stop=10, num=101)
>>> plt.plot(x, np.absolute(x))
>>> plt.show()
```



Plot the function over the complex plane:

```
>>> xx = x + 1j * x[:, np.newaxis]
>>> plt.imshow(np.abs(xx), extent=[-10, 10, -10, 10], cmap='gray')
>>> plt.show()
```



The `abs` function can be used as a shorthand for `np.absolute` on ndarrays.

```
>>> x = np.array([-1.2, 1.2])
>>> abs(x)
array([1.2, 1.2])
```

```
numpy.fabs(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature,
extobj]) = <ufunc 'fabs'>
```

Compute the absolute values element-wise.

This function returns the absolute values (positive magnitude) of the data in  $x$ . Complex values are not handled, use [absolute](#) to find the absolute values of complex data.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] The array of numbers for which the absolute values are required. If  $x$  is a scalar, the result  $y$  will also be a scalar.

#### out

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

#### where

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the  $out$  array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the  $out$  array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized  $out$  array is created via the default  $out=None$ , locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

#### \*\*kwargs

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

#### y

[ndarray or scalar] The absolute values of  $x$ , the returned values are always floats. This is a scalar if  $x$  is a scalar.

### See also:

#### [absolute](#)

Absolute values including [complex](#) types.

### Examples

```
>>> np.fabs(-1)
1.0
>>> np.fabs([-1.2, 1.2])
array([ 1.2,  1.2])
```

```
numpy.sign(x, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None, subok=True[, signature,
extobj]) = <ufunc 'sign'>
```

Returns an element-wise indication of the sign of a number.

The [sign](#) function returns -1 if  $x < 0$ , 0 if  $x == 0$ , 1 if  $x > 0$ . `nan` is returned for nan inputs.

For complex inputs, the `sign` function returns `sign(x.real) + 0j` if `x.real != 0` else `sign(x.imag) + 0j`.

`complex(nan, 0)` is returned for complex nan inputs.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Input values.

**out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

**where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the `out` array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the `out` array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized `out` array is created via the default `out=None`, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

**\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray] The sign of `x`. This is a scalar if `x` is a scalar.

### Notes

There is more than one definition of sign in common use for complex numbers. The definition used here is equivalent to  $x/\sqrt{x*x}$  which is different from a common alternative,  $x/|x|$ .

### Examples

```
>>> np.sign([-5., 4.5])
array([-1.,  1.])
>>> np.sign(0)
0
>>> np.sign(5-2j)
(1+0j)
```

```
numpy.heaviside (x1, x2, /, out=None, *, where=True, casting='same_kind', order='K', dtype=None,
subok=True[, signature, extobj]) = <ufunc 'heaviside'>
```

Compute the Heaviside step function.

The Heaviside step function is defined as:

0 <b>if</b> <code>x1 &lt; 0</code>
<code>heaviside(x1, x2) = x2    <b>if</b> <code>x1 == 0</code></code>
1 <b>if</b> <code>x1 &gt; 0</code>

where  $x_2$  is often taken to be 0.5, but 0 and 1 are also sometimes used.

## Parameters

### **x1**

[array\_like] Input values.

### **x2**

[array\_like] The value of the function when  $x_1$  is 0. If  $x_1.shape \neq x_2.shape$ , they must be broadcastable to a common shape (which becomes the shape of the output).

### **out**

[ndarray, None, or tuple of ndarray and None, optional] A location into which the result is stored. If provided, it must have a shape that the inputs broadcast to. If not provided or None, a freshly-allocated array is returned. A tuple (possible only as a keyword argument) must have length equal to the number of outputs.

### **where**

[array\_like, optional] This condition is broadcast over the input. At locations where the condition is True, the *out* array will be set to the ufunc result. Elsewhere, the *out* array will retain its original value. Note that if an uninitialized *out* array is created via the default *out=None*, locations within it where the condition is False will remain uninitialized.

### **\*\*kwargs**

For other keyword-only arguments, see the [ufunc docs](#).

## Returns

### **out**

[ndarray or scalar] The output array, element-wise Heaviside step function of  $x_1$ . This is a scalar if both  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are scalars.

## Notes

New in version 1.13.0.

## References

## Examples

```
>>> np.heaviside([-1.5, 0, 2.0], 0.5)
array([ 0.,  0.5,  1. ])
>>> np.heaviside([-1.5, 0, 2.0], 1)
array([ 0.,  1.,  1.])
```

`numpy.nan_to_num(x, copy=True, nan=0.0, posinf=None, neginf=None)`

Replace NaN with zero and infinity with large finite numbers (default behaviour) or with the numbers defined by the user using the `nan`, `posinf` and/or `neginf` keywords.

If  $x$  is inexact, NaN is replaced by zero or by the user defined value in `nan` keyword, infinity is replaced by the largest finite floating point values representable by  $x.dtype$  or by the user defined value in `posinf` keyword and

-infinity is replaced by the most negative finite floating point values representable by `x.dtype` or by the user defined value in `neginf` keyword.

For complex dtypes, the above is applied to each of the real and imaginary components of `x` separately.

If `x` is not inexact, then no replacements are made.

### Parameters

#### `x`

[scalar or array\_like] Input data.

#### `copy`

[bool, optional] Whether to create a copy of `x` (True) or to replace values in-place (False). The in-place operation only occurs if casting to an array does not require a copy. Default is True.

New in version 1.13.

#### `nan`

[int, float, optional] Value to be used to fill NaN values. If no value is passed then NaN values will be replaced with 0.0.

New in version 1.17.

#### `posinf`

[int, float, optional] Value to be used to fill positive infinity values. If no value is passed then positive infinity values will be replaced with a very large number.

New in version 1.17.

#### `neginf`

[int, float, optional] Value to be used to fill negative infinity values. If no value is passed then negative infinity values will be replaced with a very small (or negative) number.

New in version 1.17.

### Returns

#### `out`

[ndarray] `x`, with the non-finite values replaced. If `copy` is False, this may be `x` itself.

### See also:

#### `isinf`

Shows which elements are positive or negative infinity.

#### `isneginf`

Shows which elements are negative infinity.

#### `isposinf`

Shows which elements are positive infinity.

#### `isnan`

Shows which elements are Not a Number (NaN).

**`isfinite`**

Shows which elements are finite (not NaN, not infinity)

**Notes**

NumPy uses the IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point for Arithmetic (IEEE 754). This means that Not a Number is not equivalent to infinity.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.nan_to_num(np.inf)
1.7976931348623157e+308
>>> np.nan_to_num(-np.inf)
-1.7976931348623157e+308
>>> np.nan_to_num(np.nan)
0.0
>>> x = np.array([np.inf, -np.inf, np.nan, -128, 128])
>>> np.nan_to_num(x)
array([ 1.79769313e+308, -1.79769313e+308,  0.00000000e+000, # may vary
       -1.28000000e+002,   1.28000000e+002])
>>> np.nan_to_num(x, nan=-9999, posinf=33333333, neginf=33333333)
array([ 3.3333333e+07,   3.3333333e+07, -9.9990000e+03,
       -1.2800000e+02,   1.2800000e+02])
>>> y = np.array([complex(np.inf, np.nan), np.nan, complex(np.nan, np.inf)])
array([ 1.79769313e+308, -1.79769313e+308,  0.00000000e+000, # may vary
       -1.28000000e+002,   1.28000000e+002])
>>> np.nan_to_num(y)
array([ 1.79769313e+308 +0.00000000e+000j, # may vary
       0.00000000e+000 +0.00000000e+000j,
       0.00000000e+000 +1.79769313e+308j])
>>> np.nan_to_num(y, nan=111111, posinf=222222)
array([222222.+111111.j, 111111. +0.j, 111111.+222222.j])
```

`numpy.real_if_close(a, tol=100)`

If input is complex with all imaginary parts close to zero, return real parts.

“Close to zero” is defined as  $tol * (\text{machine epsilon of the type for } a)$ .

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**tol**

[float] Tolerance in machine epsilons for the complex part of the elements in the array.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] If  $a$  is real, the type of  $a$  is used for the output. If  $a$  has complex elements, the returned type is float.

**See also:**

`real, imag, angle`

## Notes

Machine epsilon varies from machine to machine and between data types but Python floats on most platforms have a machine epsilon equal to 2.2204460492503131e-16. You can use ‘np.finfo(float).eps’ to print out the machine epsilon for floats.

## Examples

```
>>> np.finfo(float).eps
2.2204460492503131e-16 # may vary
```

```
>>> np.real_if_close([2.1 + 4e-14j, 5.2 + 3e-15j], tol=1000)
array([2.1, 5.2])
>>> np.real_if_close([2.1 + 4e-13j, 5.2 + 3e-15j], tol=1000)
array([2.1+4.e-13j, 5.2 + 3e-15j])
```

`numpy.interp(x, xp, fp, left=None, right=None, period=None)`

One-dimensional linear interpolation for monotonically increasing sample points.

Returns the one-dimensional piecewise linear interpolant to a function with given discrete data points (*xp*, *fp*), evaluated at *x*.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] The x-coordinates at which to evaluate the interpolated values.

#### xp

[1-D sequence of floats] The x-coordinates of the data points, must be increasing if argument *period* is not specified. Otherwise, *xp* is internally sorted after normalizing the periodic boundaries with *xp* = *xp* % *period*.

#### fp

[1-D sequence of float or complex] The y-coordinates of the data points, same length as *xp*.

#### left

[optional float or complex corresponding to fp] Value to return for *x* < *xp[0]*, default is *fp[0]*.

#### right

[optional float or complex corresponding to fp] Value to return for *x* > *xp[-1]*, default is *fp[-1]*.

#### period

[None or float, optional] A period for the x-coordinates. This parameter allows the proper interpolation of angular x-coordinates. Parameters *left* and *right* are ignored if *period* is specified.

New in version 1.10.0.

### Returns

**y**

[float or complex (corresponding to fp) or ndarray] The interpolated values, same shape as *x*.

## Raises

### ValueError

If *xp* and *fp* have different length If *xp* or *fp* are not 1-D sequences If *period* == 0

**Warning:** The x-coordinate sequence is expected to be increasing, but this is not explicitly enforced. However, if the sequence *xp* is non-increasing, interpolation results are meaningless.

Note that, since NaN is unsortable, *xp* also cannot contain NaNs.

A simple check for *xp* being strictly increasing is:

```
np.all(np.diff(xp) > 0)
```

## See also:

[scipy.interpolate](#)

## Examples

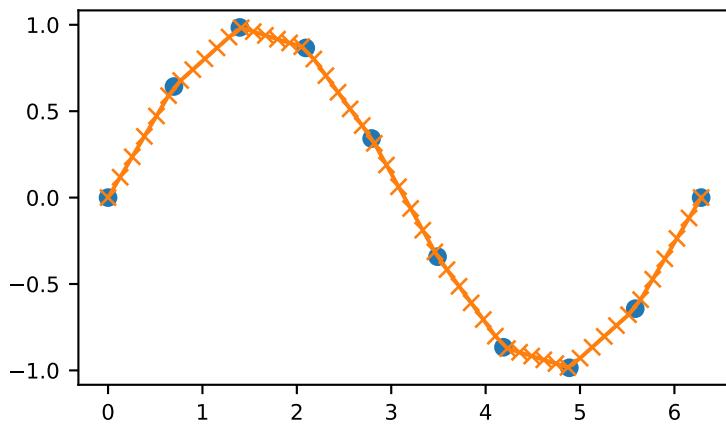
```
>>> xp = [1, 2, 3]
>>> fp = [3, 2, 0]
>>> np.interp(2.5, xp, fp)
1.0
>>> np.interp([0, 1, 1.5, 2.72, 3.14], xp, fp)
array([3. , 3. , 2.5 , 0.56, 0. ])
>>> UNDEF = -99.0
>>> np.interp(3.14, xp, fp, right=UNDEF)
-99.0
```

Plot an interpolant to the sine function:

```
>>> x = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 10)
>>> y = np.sin(x)
>>> xvals = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 50)
>>> yinterp = np.interp(xvals, x, y)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.plot(x, y, 'o')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.plot(xvals, yinterp, '-x')
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.show()
```

Interpolation with periodic x-coordinates:

```
>>> x = [-180, -170, -185, 185, -10, -5, 0, 365]
>>> xp = [190, -190, 350, -350]
>>> fp = [5, 10, 3, 4]
>>> np.interp(x, xp, fp, period=360)
array([7.5 , 5. , 8.75, 6.25, 3. , 3.25, 3.5 , 3.75])
```



Complex interpolation:

```
>>> x = [1.5, 4.0]
>>> xp = [2,3,5]
>>> fp = [1.0j, 0, 2+3j]
>>> np.interp(x, xp, fp)
array([0.+1.j, 1.+1.5j])
```

## 5.18 Matrix library (`numpy.matlib`)

This module contains all functions in the `numpy` namespace, with the following replacement functions that return `matrices` instead of `ndarrays`.

Functions that are also in the numpy namespace and return matrices

<code>mat</code> (data[, dtype])	Interpret the input as a matrix.
<code>matrix</code> (data[, dtype, copy])	<b>Note:</b> It is no longer recommended to use this class, even for linear
<code>asmatrix</code> (data[, dtype])	Interpret the input as a matrix.
<code>bmat</code> (obj[, Idict, gdict])	Build a matrix object from a string, nested sequence, or array.

Replacement functions in `matlib`

<code>empty(shape[, dtype, order])</code>	Return a new matrix of given shape and type, without initializing entries.
<code>zeros(shape[, dtype, order])</code>	Return a matrix of given shape and type, filled with zeros.
<code>ones(shape[, dtype, order])</code>	Matrix of ones.
<code>eye(n[, M, k, dtype, order])</code>	Return a matrix with ones on the diagonal and zeros elsewhere.
<code>identity(n[, dtype])</code>	Returns the square identity matrix of given size.
<code>repmat(a, m, n)</code>	Repeat a 0-D to 2-D array or matrix MxN times.
<code>rand(*args)</code>	Return a matrix of random values with given shape.
<code>randn(*args)</code>	Return a random matrix with data from the "standard normal" distribution.

`matlib.empty(shape, dtype=None, order='C')`

Return a new matrix of given shape and type, without initializing entries.

### Parameters

#### shape

[int or tuple of int] Shape of the empty matrix.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Desired output data-type.

#### order

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Whether to store multi-dimensional data in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

### See also:

[`empty\_like`, `zeros`](#)

### Notes

`empty`, unlike `zeros`, does not set the matrix values to zero, and may therefore be marginally faster. On the other hand, it requires the user to manually set all the values in the array, and should be used with caution.

### Examples

```
>>> import numpy.matlib
>>> np.matlib.empty((2, 2))      # filled with random data
matrix([[ 6.76425276e-320,   9.79033856e-307], # random
       [ 7.39337286e-309,   3.22135945e-309]])
>>> np.matlib.empty((2, 2), dtype=int)
matrix([[ 6600475,          0], # random
       [ 6586976,  22740995]])
```

`matlib.zeros(shape, dtype=None, order='C')`

Return a matrix of given shape and type, filled with zeros.

### Parameters

**shape**

[int or sequence of ints] Shape of the matrix

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] The desired data-type for the matrix, default is float.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Whether to store the result in C- or Fortran-contiguous order, default is 'C'.

**Returns****out**

[matrix] Zero matrix of given shape, dtype, and order.

**See also:**[\*\*numpy.zeros\*\*](#)

Equivalent array function.

[\*\*matlib.ones\*\*](#)

Return a matrix of ones.

**Notes**

If `shape` has length one i.e. `(N, )`, or is a scalar `N`, `out` becomes a single row matrix of shape `(1, N)`.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.matlib
>>> np.matlib.zeros((2, 3))
matrix([[0.,  0.,  0.],
       [0.,  0.,  0.]])
```

```
>>> np.matlib.zeros(2)
matrix([[0.,  0.]])
```

`matlib.ones` (`shape, dtype=None, order='C'`)

Matrix of ones.

Return a matrix of given shape and type, filled with ones.

**Parameters****shape**

[{sequence of ints, int}] Shape of the matrix

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] The desired data-type for the matrix, default is `np.float64`.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Whether to store matrix in C- or Fortran-contiguous order, default is 'C'.

**Returns****out**

[matrix] Matrix of ones of given shape, dtype, and order.

**See also:****[ones](#)**

Array of ones.

**[matlib.zeros](#)**

Zero matrix.

**Notes**

If `shape` has length one i.e. `(N, )`, or is a scalar `N`, `out` becomes a single row matrix of shape `(1, N)`.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.matlib.ones((2, 3))
matrix([[1., 1., 1.],
       [1., 1., 1.]])
```

```
>>> np.matlib.ones(2)
matrix([[1., 1.]])
```

`matlib.ey` (*n*, *M=None*, *k=0*, *dtype=<class 'float'>*, *order='C'*)

Return a matrix with ones on the diagonal and zeros elsewhere.

**Parameters****`n`**

[int] Number of rows in the output.

**`M`**

[int, optional] Number of columns in the output, defaults to *n*.

**`k`**

[int, optional] Index of the diagonal: 0 refers to the main diagonal, a positive value refers to an upper diagonal, and a negative value to a lower diagonal.

**`dtype`**

[dtype, optional] Data-type of the returned matrix.

**`order`**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Whether the output should be stored in row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order in memory.

New in version 1.14.0.

## Returns

### I

[matrix] A  $n \times M$  matrix where all elements are equal to zero, except for the  $k$ -th diagonal, whose values are equal to one.

See also:

[`numpy.eye`](#)

Equivalent array function.

[`identity`](#)

Square identity matrix.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.matlib
>>> np.matlib.eye(3, k=1, dtype=float)
matrix([[0., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 1.],
       [0., 0., 0.]])
```

`matlib.identity(n, dtype=None)`

Returns the square identity matrix of given size.

## Parameters

### n

[int] Size of the returned identity matrix.

### dtype

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the output. Defaults to `float`.

## Returns

### out

[matrix]  $n \times n$  matrix with its main diagonal set to one, and all other elements zero.

See also:

[`numpy.identity`](#)

Equivalent array function.

[`matlib.eye`](#)

More general matrix identity function.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.matlib
>>> np.matlib.identity(3, dtype=int)
matrix([[1, 0, 0],
       [0, 1, 0],
       [0, 0, 1]])
```

`matlib.repmat(a, m, n)`

Repeat a 0-D to 2-D array or matrix MxN times.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] The array or matrix to be repeated.

**m, n**

[int] The number of times *a* is repeated along the first and second axes.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] The result of repeating *a*.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.matlib
>>> a0 = np.array([1])
>>> np.matlib.repmat(a0, 2, 3)
array([[1, 1, 1],
       [1, 1, 1]])
```

```
>>> a1 = np.arange(4)
>>> np.matlib.repmat(a1, 2, 2)
array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 1, 2, 3],
       [0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 1, 2, 3]])
```

```
>>> a2 = np.asmatrix(np.arange(6).reshape(2, 3))
>>> np.matlib.repmat(a2, 2, 3)
matrix([[0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5, 3, 4, 5, 3, 4, 5],
       [0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5, 3, 4, 5, 3, 4, 5]])
```

`matlib.rand(*args)`

Return a matrix of random values with given shape.

Create a matrix of the given shape and propagate it with random samples from a uniform distribution over [0, 1).

### Parameters

**\*args**

[Arguments] Shape of the output. If given as N integers, each integer specifies the size of one dimension. If given as a tuple, this tuple gives the complete shape.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The matrix of random values with shape given by \*args.

**See also:**

[randn](#), [numpy.random.RandomState.rand](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> import numpy.matlib
>>> np.matlib.rand(2, 3)
matrix([[0.69646919, 0.28613933, 0.22685145],
       [0.55131477, 0.71946897, 0.42310646]])
>>> np.matlib.rand((2, 3))
matrix([[0.9807642 , 0.68482974, 0.4809319 ],
       [0.39211752, 0.34317802, 0.72904971]])
```

If the first argument is a tuple, other arguments are ignored:

```
>>> np.matlib.rand((2, 3), 4)
matrix([[0.43857224, 0.0596779 , 0.39804426],
       [0.73799541, 0.18249173, 0.17545176]])
```

**matlib.randn(\*args)**

Return a random matrix with data from the “standard normal” distribution.

[randn](#) generates a matrix filled with random floats sampled from a univariate “normal” (Gaussian) distribution of mean 0 and variance 1.

**Parameters****\*args**

[Arguments] Shape of the output. If given as N integers, each integer specifies the size of one dimension. If given as a tuple, this tuple gives the complete shape.

**Returns****Z**

[matrix of floats] A matrix of floating-point samples drawn from the standard normal distribution.

**See also:**

[rand](#), [numpy.random.RandomState.randn](#)

## Notes

For random samples from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , use:

```
sigma * np.matlib.randn(...) + mu
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> import numpy.matlib
>>> np.matlib.randn(1)
matrix([-1.0856306])
>>> np.matlib.randn(1, 2, 3)
matrix([[ 0.99734545,  0.2829785 , -1.50629471],
       [-0.57860025,  1.65143654, -2.42667924]])
```

Two-by-four matrix of samples from  $N(3, 6.25)$ :

```
>>> 2.5 * np.matlib.randn((2, 4)) + 3
matrix([[1.92771843, 6.16484065, 0.83314899, 1.30278462],
       [2.76322758, 6.72847407, 1.40274501, 1.8900451]])
```

## 5.19 Miscellaneous routines

### 5.19.1 Performance tuning

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<code>setbufsize(size)</code>	Set the size of the buffer used in ufuncs.
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<code>getbufsize()</code>	Return the size of the buffer used in ufuncs.
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`numpy.setbufsize(size)`

Set the size of the buffer used in ufuncs.

#### Parameters

**size**

[int] Size of buffer.

`numpy.getbufsize()`

Return the size of the buffer used in ufuncs.

#### Returns

**getbufsize**

[int] Size of ufunc buffer in bytes.

## 5.19.2 Memory ranges

<code>shares_memory(a, b, [/, max_work])</code>	Determine if two arrays share memory.
<code>may_share_memory(a, b, [/, max_work])</code>	Determine if two arrays might share memory
<code>byte_bounds(a)</code>	Returns pointers to the end-points of an array.

`numpy.shares_memory(a, b, /, max_work=None)`

Determine if two arrays share memory.

**Warning:** This function can be exponentially slow for some inputs, unless `max_work` is set to a finite number or `MAY_SHARE_BOUNDS`. If in doubt, use `numpy.may_share_memory` instead.

### Parameters

#### a, b

[ndarray] Input arrays

#### max\_work

[int, optional] Effort to spend on solving the overlap problem (maximum number of candidate solutions to consider). The following special values are recognized:

##### `max_work=MAY_SHARE_EXACT` (default)

The problem is solved exactly. In this case, the function returns True only if there is an element shared between the arrays. Finding the exact solution may take extremely long in some cases.

##### `max_work=MAY_SHARE_BOUNDS`

Only the memory bounds of a and b are checked.

### Returns

#### out

[bool]

### Raises

#### `numpy.TooHardError`

Exceeded max\_work.

### See also:

[`may\_share\_memory`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> np.shares_memory(x, np.array([5, 6, 7]))
False
>>> np.shares_memory(x[::-2], x)
True
>>> np.shares_memory(x[::-2], x[1::2])
False
```

Checking whether two arrays share memory is NP-complete, and runtime may increase exponentially in the number of dimensions. Hence, `max_work` should generally be set to a finite number, as it is possible to construct examples that take extremely long to run:

```
>>> from numpy.lib.stride_tricks import as_strided
>>> x = np.zeros([192163377], dtype=np.int8)
>>> x1 = as_strided(x, strides=(36674, 61119, 85569), shape=(1049, 1049, 1049))
>>> x2 = as_strided(x[64023025:], strides=(12223, 12224, 1), shape=(1049, 1049, 1))
>>> np.shares_memory(x1, x2, max_work=1000)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
numpy.TooHardError: Exceeded max_work
```

Running `np.shares_memory(x1, x2)` without `max_work` set takes around 1 minute for this case. It is possible to find problems that take still significantly longer.

`numpy.may_share_memory(a, b, /, max_work=None)`

Determine if two arrays might share memory

A return of True does not necessarily mean that the two arrays share any element. It just means that they *might*.

Only the memory bounds of a and b are checked by default.

### Parameters

**a, b**

[ndarray] Input arrays

**max\_work**

[int, optional] Effort to spend on solving the overlap problem. See `shares_memory` for details. Default for `may_share_memory` is to do a bounds check.

### Returns

**out**

[bool]

See also:

`shares_memory`

## Examples

```
>>> np.may_share_memory(np.array([1,2]), np.array([5,8,9]))
False
>>> x = np.zeros([3, 4])
>>> np.may_share_memory(x[:,0], x[:,1])
True
```

`numpy.byte_bounds(a)`

Returns pointers to the end-points of an array.

### Parameters

**a**

[ndarray] Input array. It must conform to the Python-side of the array interface.

### Returns

**(low, high)**

[tuple of 2 integers] The first integer is the first byte of the array, the second integer is just past the last byte of the array. If *a* is not contiguous it will not use every byte between the (*low*, *high*) values.

## Examples

```
>>> I = np.eye(2, dtype='f'); I.dtype
dtype('float32')
>>> low, high = np.byte_bounds(I)
>>> high - low == I.size*I.itemsize
True
>>> I = np.eye(2); I.dtype
dtype('float64')
>>> low, high = np.byte_bounds(I)
>>> high - low == I.size*I.itemsize
True
```

## 5.19.3 Array mixins

`lib.mixins.NDArrayOperatorsMixin()`

Mixin defining all operator special methods using `__array_ufunc__`.

`class numpy.lib.mixins.NDArrayOperatorsMixin`

Mixin defining all operator special methods using `__array_ufunc__`.

This class implements the special methods for almost all of Python's builtin operators defined in the `operator` module, including comparisons (==, >, etc.) and arithmetic (+, \*, -, etc.), by deferring to the `__array_ufunc__` method, which subclasses must implement.

It is useful for writing classes that do not inherit from `numpy.ndarray`, but that should support arithmetic and numpy universal functions like arrays as described in [A Mechanism for Overriding Ufuncs](#).

As an trivial example, consider this implementation of an `ArrayLike` class that simply wraps a NumPy array and ensures that the result of any arithmetic operation is also an `ArrayLike` object:

```
class ArrayLike(np.lib.mixins.NDArrayOperatorsMixin):
    def __init__(self, value):
        self.value = np.asarray(value)

    # One might also consider adding the built-in list type to this
    # list, to support operations like np.add(array_like, list)
    _HANDLED_TYPES = (np.ndarray, numbers.Number)

    def __array_ufunc__(self, ufunc, method, *inputs, **kwargs):
        out = kwargs.get('out', ())
        for x in inputs + out:
            # Only support operations with instances of _HANDLED_TYPES.
            # Use ArrayLike instead of type(self) for isinstance to
            # allow subclasses that don't override __array_ufunc__ to
            # handle ArrayLike objects.
            if not isinstance(x, self._HANDLED_TYPES + (ArrayLike,)):
                return NotImplemented

        # Defer to the implementation of the ufunc on unwrapped values.
        inputs = tuple(x.value if isinstance(x, ArrayLike) else x
                      for x in inputs)
        if out:
            kwargs['out'] = tuple(
                x.value if isinstance(x, ArrayLike) else x
                for x in out)
        result = getattr(ufunc, method)(*inputs, **kwargs)

        if type(result) is tuple:
            # multiple return values
            return tuple(type(self)(x) for x in result)
        elif method == 'at':
            # no return value
            return None
        else:
            # one return value
            return type(self)(result)

    def __repr__(self):
        return '%s(%r)' % (type(self).__name__, self.value)
```

In interactions between `ArrayLike` objects and numbers or numpy arrays, the result is always another `ArrayLike`:

```
>>> x = ArrayLike([1, 2, 3])
>>> x - 1
ArrayLike(array([0, 1, 2]))
>>> 1 - x
ArrayLike(array([-1, -1, -2]))
>>> np.arange(3) - x
ArrayLike(array([-1, -1, -1]))
>>> x - np.arange(3)
ArrayLike(array([1, 1, 1]))
```

Note that unlike `numpy.ndarray`, `ArrayLike` does not allow operations with arbitrary, unrecognized types. This ensures that interactions with `ArrayLike` preserve a well-defined casting hierarchy.

New in version 1.13.

## 5.19.4 NumPy version comparison

`lib.NumpyVersion(vstring)`

Parse and compare numpy version strings.

`class numpy.lib.NumpyVersion(vstring)`

Parse and compare numpy version strings.

NumPy has the following versioning scheme (numbers given are examples; they can be > 9 in principle):

- Released version: ‘1.8.0’, ‘1.8.1’, etc.
- Alpha: ‘1.8.0a1’, ‘1.8.0a2’, etc.
- Beta: ‘1.8.0b1’, ‘1.8.0b2’, etc.
- Release candidates: ‘1.8.0rc1’, ‘1.8.0rc2’, etc.
- Development versions: ‘1.8.0.dev-f1234afa’ (git commit hash appended)
- **Development versions after a1:** ‘**1.8.0a1.dev-f1234afa**’,  
‘1.8.0b2.dev-f1234afa’, ‘1.8.1rc1.dev-f1234afa’, etc.
- Development versions (no git hash available): ‘1.8.0.dev-Unknown’

Comparing needs to be done against a valid version string or other `NumpyVersion` instance. Note that all development versions of the same (pre-)release compare equal.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Parameters

`vstring`

[str] NumPy version string (`np.__version__`).

### Examples

```
>>> from numpy.lib import NumpyVersion
>>> if NumpyVersion(np.__version__) < '1.7.0':
...     print('skip')
>>> # skip
```

```
>>> NumpyVersion('1.7') # raises ValueError, add ".0"
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: Not a valid numpy version string
```

## 5.19.5 Utility

<code>get_include()</code>	Return the directory that contains the NumPy *.h header files.
<code>show_config()</code>	Show libraries in the system on which NumPy was built.
<code>deprecate(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Issues a <code>DeprecationWarning</code> , adds warning to <code>old_name</code> 's docstring, rebinds <code>old_name.__name__</code> and returns the new function object.
<code>deprecate_with_doc(msg)</code>	Deprecates a function and includes the deprecation in its docstring.
<code>broadcast_shapes(*args)</code>	Broadcast the input shapes into a single shape.

`numpy.get_include()`

Return the directory that contains the NumPy \*.h header files.

Extension modules that need to compile against NumPy should use this function to locate the appropriate include directory.

### Notes

When using `distutils`, for example in `setup.py`:

```
import numpy as np
...
Extension('extension_name', ...
          include_dirs=[np.get_include()])
... 
```

`numpy.show_config()`

Show libraries in the system on which NumPy was built.

Print information about various resources (libraries, library directories, include directories, etc.) in the system on which NumPy was built.

**See also:**

`get_include`

Returns the directory containing NumPy C header files.

### Notes

1. Classes specifying the information to be printed are defined in the `numpy.distutils.system_info` module.

Information may include:

- `language`: language used to write the libraries (mostly C or f77)
- `libraries`: names of libraries found in the system
- `library_dirs`: directories containing the libraries
- `include_dirs`: directories containing library header files
- `src_dirs`: directories containing library source files

- `define_macros`: preprocessor macros used by `distutils.setup`
- `baseline`: minimum CPU features required
- `found`: dispatched features supported in the system
- `not found`: dispatched features that are not supported in the system

## 2. NumPy BLAS/LAPACK Installation Notes

Installing a numpy wheel (`pip install numpy` or force it via `pip install numpy --only-binary :numpy: numpy`) includes an OpenBLAS implementation of the BLAS and LAPACK linear algebra APIs. In this case, `library_dirs` reports the original build time configuration as compiled with gcc/gfortran; at run time the OpenBLAS library is in `site-packages/numpy.libs/` (linux), or `site-packages/numpy/.dylibs/` (macOS), or `site-packages/numpy/.libs/` (windows).

Installing numpy from source (`pip install numpy --no-binary numpy`) searches for BLAS and LAPACK dynamic link libraries at build time as influenced by environment variables `NPY_BLAS_LIBS`, `NPY_CBLAS_LIBS`, and `NPY_LAPACK_LIBS`; or `NPY_BLAS_ORDER` and `NPY_LAPACK_ORDER`; or the optional file `~/.numpy-site.cfg`. NumPy remembers those locations and expects to load the same libraries at run-time. In NumPy 1.21+ on macOS, ‘accelerate’ (Apple’s Accelerate BLAS library) is in the default build-time search order after ‘openblas’.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> np.show_config()
blas_opt_info:
    language = c
    define_macros = [('HAVE_CBLAS', None)]
    libraries = ['openblas', 'openblas']
    library_dirs = ['/usr/local/lib']
```

`numpy.deprecate(*args, **kwargs)`

Issues a `DeprecationWarning`, adds warning to `old_name`’s docstring, rebinds `old_name.__name__` and returns the new function object.

This function may also be used as a decorator.

### Parameters

#### `func`

[function] The function to be deprecated.

#### `old_name`

[str, optional] The name of the function to be deprecated. Default is `None`, in which case the name of `func` is used.

#### `new_name`

[str, optional] The new name for the function. Default is `None`, in which case the deprecation message is that `old_name` is deprecated. If given, the deprecation message is that `old_name` is deprecated and `new_name` should be used instead.

#### `message`

[str, optional] Additional explanation of the deprecation. Displayed in the docstring after the warning.

**Returns****old\_func**

[function] The deprecated function.

**Examples**

Note that `olduint` returns a value after printing Deprecation Warning:

```
>>> olduint = np.deprecate(np.uint)
DeprecationWarning: `uint64` is deprecated! # may vary
>>> olduint(6)
6
```

**numpy.deprecate\_with\_doc(msg)**

Deprecates a function and includes the deprecation in its docstring.

This function is used as a decorator. It returns an object that can be used to issue a `DeprecationWarning`, by passing the to-be decorated function as argument, this adds warning to the to-be decorated function's docstring and returns the new function object.

**Parameters****msg**

[str] Additional explanation of the deprecation. Displayed in the docstring after the warning.

**Returns****obj**

[object]

**See also:**

**[deprecate](#)**

Decorate a function such that it issues a *DeprecationWarning*

**numpy.broadcast\_shapes(\*args)**

Broadcast the input shapes into a single shape.

Learn more about broadcasting [here](#).

New in version 1.20.0.

**Parameters****\*args**

[tuples of ints, or ints] The shapes to be broadcast against each other.

**Returns****tuple**

Broadcasted shape.

## Raises

### ValueError

If the shapes are not compatible and cannot be broadcast according to NumPy's broadcasting rules.

See also:

[broadcast](#)

[broadcast\\_arrays](#)

[broadcast\\_to](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.broadcast_shapes((1, 2), (3, 1), (3, 2))
(3, 2)
```

```
>>> np.broadcast_shapes((6, 7), (5, 6, 1), (7,), (5, 1, 7))
(5, 6, 7)
```

## 5.19.6 Matlab-like Functions

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<a href="#"><code>who</code>([vardict])</a>	Print the NumPy arrays in the given dictionary.
<a href="#"><code>disp</code>(msg[, device, linefeed])</a>	Display a message on a device.

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`numpy.who (vardict=None)`

Print the NumPy arrays in the given dictionary.

If there is no dictionary passed in or `vardict` is `None` then returns NumPy arrays in the `globals()` dictionary (all NumPy arrays in the namespace).

### Parameters

#### `vardict`

[dict, optional] A dictionary possibly containing ndarrays. Default is `globals()`.

### Returns

#### `out`

[None] Returns 'None'.

## Notes

Prints out the name, shape, bytes and type of all of the ndarrays present in *vardict*.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(10)
>>> b = np.ones(20)
>>> np.who()
Name           Shape           Bytes           Type
=====
a              10             80             int64
b              20            160            float64
Upper bound on total bytes =      240
```

```
>>> d = {'x': np.arange(2.0), 'y': np.arange(3.0), 'txt': 'Some str',
... 'idx':5}
>>> np.who(d)
Name           Shape           Bytes           Type
=====
x              2              16            float64
y              3              24            float64
Upper bound on total bytes =      40
```

`numpy.disp`(*mesg*, *device=None*, *linefeed=True*)

Display a message on a device.

### Parameters

#### mesg

[str] Message to display.

#### device

[object] Device to write message. If None, defaults to `sys.stdout` which is very similar to `print`. *device* needs to have `write()` and `flush()` methods.

#### linefeed

[bool, optional] Option whether to print a line feed or not. Defaults to True.

### Raises

#### AttributeError

If *device* does not have a `write()` or `flush()` method.

## Examples

Besides `sys.stdout`, a file-like object can also be used as it has both required methods:

```
>>> from io import StringIO
>>> buf = StringIO()
>>> np.disp(u'"Display" in a file', device=buf)
>>> buf.getvalue()
'"Display" in a file\n'
```

## 5.19.7 Exceptions

<code>AxisError(axis[, ndim, msg_prefix])</code>	Axis supplied was invalid.
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`exception numpy.AxisError (axis, ndim=None, msg_prefix=None)`

Axis supplied was invalid.

This is raised whenever an `axis` parameter is specified that is larger than the number of array dimensions. For compatibility with code written against older numpy versions, which raised a mixture of `ValueError` and `IndexError` for this situation, this exception subclasses both to ensure that `except ValueError` and `except IndexError` statements continue to catch `AxisError`.

New in version 1.13.

### Parameters

#### axis

[int or str] The out of bounds axis or a custom exception message. If an axis is provided, then `ndim` should be specified as well.

#### ndim

[int, optional] The number of array dimensions.

#### msg\_prefix

[str, optional] A prefix for the exception message.

## Examples

```
>>> array_1d = np.arange(10)
>>> np.cumsum(array_1d, axis=1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
numpy.AxisError: axis 1 is out of bounds for array of dimension 1
```

Negative axes are preserved:

```
>>> np.cumsum(array_1d, axis=-2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
numpy.AxisError: axis -2 is out of bounds for array of dimension 1
```

The class constructor generally takes the axis and arrays' dimensionality as arguments:

```
>>> print(np.AxisError(2, 1, msg_prefix='error'))
error: axis 2 is out of bounds for array of dimension 1
```

Alternatively, a custom exception message can be passed:

```
>>> print(np.AxisError('Custom error message'))
Custom error message
```

## Attributes

### axis

[int, optional] The out of bounds axis or None if a custom exception message was provided. This should be the axis as passed by the user, before any normalization to resolve negative indices.

New in version 1.22.

### ndim

[int, optional] The number of array dimensions or None if a custom exception message was provided.

New in version 1.22.

## 5.20 Padding Arrays

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`pad(array, pad_width[, mode])`

Pad an array.

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`numpy.pad(array, pad_width, mode='constant', **kwargs)`

Pad an array.

### Parameters

#### array

[array\_like of rank N] The array to pad.

#### pad\_width

[{sequence, array\_like, int}] Number of values padded to the edges of each axis. ((before\_1, after\_1), ... (before\_N, after\_N)) unique pad widths for each axis. ((before, after),) yields same before and after pad for each axis. (pad,) or int is a shortcut for before = after = pad width for all axes.

#### mode

[str or function, optional] One of the following string values or a user supplied function.

##### 'constant' (default)

Pads with a constant value.

##### 'edge'

Pads with the edge values of array.

**'linear\_ramp'**

Pads with the linear ramp between end\_value and the array edge value.

**'maximum'**

Pads with the maximum value of all or part of the vector along each axis.

**'mean'**

Pads with the mean value of all or part of the vector along each axis.

**'median'**

Pads with the median value of all or part of the vector along each axis.

**'minimum'**

Pads with the minimum value of all or part of the vector along each axis.

**'reflect'**

Pads with the reflection of the vector mirrored on the first and last values of the vector along each axis.

**'symmetric'**

Pads with the reflection of the vector mirrored along the edge of the array.

**'wrap'**

Pads with the wrap of the vector along the axis. The first values are used to pad the end and the end values are used to pad the beginning.

**'empty'**

Pads with undefined values.

New in version 1.17.

**<function>**

Padding function, see Notes.

**stat\_length**

[sequence or int, optional] Used in 'maximum', 'mean', 'median', and 'minimum'. Number of values at edge of each axis used to calculate the statistic value.

((before\_1, after\_1), ... (before\_N, after\_N)) unique statistic lengths for each axis.

((before, after),) yields same before and after statistic lengths for each axis.

(stat\_length,) or int is a shortcut for before = after = statistic length for all axes.

Default is `None`, to use the entire axis.

**constant\_values**

[sequence or scalar, optional] Used in 'constant'. The values to set the padded values for each axis.

((before\_1, after\_1), ... (before\_N, after\_N)) unique pad constants for each axis.

((before, after),) yields same before and after constants for each axis.

(constant,) or constant is a shortcut for before = after = constant for all axes.

Default is 0.

#### **end\_values**

[sequence or scalar, optional] Used in ‘linear\_ramp’. The values used for the ending value of the linear\_ramp and that will form the edge of the padded array.

((before\_1, after\_1), ... (before\_N, after\_N)) unique end values for each axis.

((before, after),) yields same before and after end values for each axis.

(constant,) or constant is a shortcut for before = after = constant for all axes.

Default is 0.

#### **reflect\_type**

[{‘even’, ‘odd’}, optional] Used in ‘reflect’, and ‘symmetric’. The ‘even’ style is the default with an unaltered reflection around the edge value. For the ‘odd’ style, the extended part of the array is created by subtracting the reflected values from two times the edge value.

### Returns

#### **pad**

[ndarray] Padded array of rank equal to `array` with shape increased according to `pad_width`.

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

For an array with rank greater than 1, some of the padding of later axes is calculated from padding of previous axes. This is easiest to think about with a rank 2 array where the corners of the padded array are calculated by using padded values from the first axis.

The padding function, if used, should modify a rank 1 array in-place. It has the following signature:

```
padding_func(vector, iaxis_pad_width, iaxis, kwargs)
```

where

#### **vector**

[ndarray] A rank 1 array already padded with zeros. Padded values are `vector[:iaxis_pad_width[0]]` and `vector[-iaxis_pad_width[1]:]`.

#### **iaxis\_pad\_width**

[tuple] A 2-tuple of ints, `iaxis_pad_width[0]` represents the number of values padded at the beginning of `vector` where `iaxis_pad_width[1]` represents the number of values padded at the end of `vector`.

#### **axis**

[int] The axis currently being calculated.

#### **kwargs**

[dict] Any keyword arguments the function requires.

## Examples

```
>>> a = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> np.pad(a, (2, 3), 'constant', constant_values=(4, 6))
array([4, 4, 1, ..., 6, 6, 6])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2, 3), 'edge')
array([1, 1, 1, ..., 5, 5, 5])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2, 3), 'linear_ramp', end_values=(5, -4))
array([ 5,  3,  1,  2,  3,  4,  5,  2, -1, -4])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2,), 'maximum')
array([5, 5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5, 5])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2,), 'mean')
array([3, 3, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 3, 3])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2,), 'median')
array([3, 3, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 3, 3])
```

```
>>> a = [[1, 2], [3, 4]]
>>> np.pad(a, ((3, 2), (2, 3)), 'minimum')
array([[1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1],
       [1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1],
       [1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1],
       [1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1],
       [3, 3, 3, 4, 3, 3, 3],
       [1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1],
       [1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1]])
```

```
>>> a = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
>>> np.pad(a, (2, 3), 'reflect')
array([3, 2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 4, 3, 2])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2, 3), 'reflect', reflect_type='odd')
array([-1,  0,  1,  2,  3,  4,  5,  6,  7,  8])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2, 3), 'symmetric')
array([2, 1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5, 4, 3])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2, 3), 'symmetric', reflect_type='odd')
array([0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5, 6, 7])
```

```
>>> np.pad(a, (2, 3), 'wrap')
array([4, 5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 2, 3])
```

```
>>> def pad_with(vector, pad_width, iaxis, kwargs):
...     pad_value = kwargs.get('padder', 10)
...     vector[:pad_width[0]] = pad_value
...     vector[-pad_width[1]:] = pad_value
>>> a = np.arange(6)
>>> a = a.reshape((2, 3))
```

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```
>>> np.pad(a, 2, pad_with)
array([[10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10],
       [10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10],
       [10, 10, 0, 1, 2, 10, 10],
       [10, 10, 3, 4, 5, 10, 10],
       [10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10],
       [10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10]])
>>> np.pad(a, 2, pad_with, padder=100)
array([[100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100],
       [100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100],
       [100, 100, 0, 1, 2, 100, 100],
       [100, 100, 3, 4, 5, 100, 100],
       [100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100],
       [100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100]])
```

## 5.21 Polynomials

Polynomials in NumPy can be *created*, *manipulated*, and even *fitted* using the *convenience classes* of the `numpy.polynomial` package, introduced in NumPy 1.4.

Prior to NumPy 1.4, `numpy.poly1d` was the class of choice and it is still available in order to maintain backward compatibility. However, the newer `polynomial` package is more complete and its *convenience classes* provide a more consistent, better-behaved interface for working with polynomial expressions. Therefore `numpy.polynomial` is recommended for new coding.

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### Note: Terminology

The term *polynomial module* refers to the old API defined in `numpy.lib.polynomial`, which includes the `numpy.poly1d` class and the polynomial functions prefixed with `poly` accessible from the `numpy` namespace (e.g. `numpy.polyadd`, `numpy.polyval`, `numpy.polyfit`, etc.).

The term *polynomial package* refers to the new API defined in `numpy.polynomial`, which includes the convenience classes for the different kinds of polynomials (`numpy.polynomial.Polynomial`, `numpy.polynomial.Chebyshev`, etc.).

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### 5.21.1 Transitioning from `numpy.poly1d` to `numpy.polynomial`

As noted above, the `poly1d class` and associated functions defined in `numpy.lib.polynomial`, such as `numpy.polyfit` and `numpy.poly`, are considered legacy and should **not** be used in new code. Since NumPy version 1.4, the `numpy.polynomial` package is preferred for working with polynomials.

#### Quick Reference

The following table highlights some of the main differences between the legacy polynomial module and the polynomial package for common tasks. The `Polynomial` class is imported for brevity:

```
from numpy.polynomial import Polynomial
```

How to...	Legacy ( <code>numpy.poly1d</code> )	<code>numpy.polynomial</code>
Create a polynomial object from coefficients <sup>1</sup>	<code>p = np.poly1d([1, 2, 3])</code>	<code>p = Polynomial([3, 2, 1])</code>
Create a polynomial object from roots	<code>r = np.poly([-1, 1])</code> <code>p = np.poly1d(r)</code>	<code>p = Polynomial.fromroots([-1, 1])</code>
Fit a polynomial of degree deg to data	<code>np.polyfit(x, y, deg)</code>	<code>Polynomial.fit(x, y, deg)</code>

#### Transition Guide

There are significant differences between `numpy.lib.polynomial` and `numpy.polynomial`. The most significant difference is the ordering of the coefficients for the polynomial expressions. The various routines in `numpy.polynomial` all deal with series whose coefficients go from degree zero upward, which is the *reverse order* of the `poly1d` convention. The easy way to remember this is that indices correspond to degree, i.e., `coef[i]` is the coefficient of the term of degree  $i$ .

Though the difference in convention may be confusing, it is straightforward to convert from the legacy polynomial API to the new. For example, the following demonstrates how you would convert a `numpy.poly1d` instance representing the expression  $x^2 + 2x + 3$  to a `Polynomial` instance representing the same expression:

```
>>> p1d = np.poly1d([1, 2, 3])
>>> p = np.polynomial.Polynomial(p1d.coef[::-1])
```

In addition to the `coef` attribute, polynomials from the polynomial package also have `domain` and `window` attributes. These attributes are most relevant when fitting polynomials to data, though it should be noted that polynomials with different `domain` and `window` attributes are not considered equal, and can't be mixed in arithmetic:

```
>>> p1 = np.polynomial.Polynomial([1, 2, 3])
>>> p1
Polynomial([1., 2., 3.], domain=[-1, 1], window=[-1, 1])
>>> p2 = np.polynomial.Polynomial([1, 2, 3], domain=[-2, 2])
>>> p1 == p2
False
>>> p1 + p2
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: Domains differ
```

<sup>1</sup> Note the reversed ordering of the coefficients

See the documentation for the [convenience classes](#) for further details on the `domain` and `window` attributes.

Another major difference between the legacy polynomial module and the polynomial package is polynomial fitting. In the old module, fitting was done via the `polyfit` function. In the polynomial package, the `fit` class method is preferred. For example, consider a simple linear fit to the following data:

```
In [1]: rng = np.random.default_rng()
In [2]: x = np.arange(10)
In [3]: y = np.arange(10) + rng.standard_normal(10)
```

With the legacy polynomial module, a linear fit (i.e. polynomial of degree 1) could be applied to these data with `polyfit`:

```
In [4]: np.polyfit(x, y, deg=1)
Out[4]: array([0.91740556, 0.45014661])
```

With the new polynomial API, the `fit` class method is preferred:

```
In [5]: p_fitted = np.polynomial.Polynomial.fit(x, y, deg=1)
In [6]: p_fitted
Out[6]: Polynomial([4.57847165, 4.12832504], domain=[0., 9.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Note that the coefficients are given *in the scaled domain* defined by the linear mapping between the `window` and `domain`. `convert` can be used to get the coefficients in the unscaled data domain.

```
In [7]: p_fitted.convert()
Out[7]: Polynomial([0.45014661, 0.91740556], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

## 5.21.2 Documentation for the `polynomial` Package

In addition to standard power series polynomials, the polynomial package provides several additional kinds of polynomials including Chebyshev, Hermite (two subtypes), Laguerre, and Legendre polynomials. Each of these has an associated *convenience class* available from the `numpy.polynomial` namespace that provides a consistent interface for working with polynomials regardless of their type.

### Using the Convenience Classes

The convenience classes provided by the polynomial package are:

Name	Provides
<code>Polynomial</code>	Power series
<code>Chebyshev</code>	Chebyshev series
<code>Legendre</code>	Legendre series
<code>Laguerre</code>	Laguerre series
<code>Hermite</code>	Hermite series
<code>HermiteE</code>	HermiteE series

The series in this context are finite sums of the corresponding polynomial basis functions multiplied by coefficients. For instance, a power series looks like

$$p(x) = 1 + 2x + 3x^2$$

and has coefficients [1, 2, 3]. The Chebyshev series with the same coefficients looks like

$$p(x) = 1T_0(x) + 2T_1(x) + 3T_2(x)$$

and more generally

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i T_i(x)$$

where in this case the  $T_n$  are the Chebyshev functions of degree  $n$ , but could just as easily be the basis functions of any of the other classes. The convention for all the classes is that the coefficient  $c[i]$  goes with the basis function of degree  $i$ .

All of the classes are immutable and have the same methods, and especially they implement the Python numeric operators `+`, `-`, `*`, `//`, `%`, `divmod`, `**`, `==`, and `!=`. The last two can be a bit problematic due to floating point roundoff errors. We now give a quick demonstration of the various operations using NumPy version 1.7.0.

## Basics

First we need a polynomial class and a polynomial instance to play with. The classes can be imported directly from the polynomial package or from the module of the relevant type. Here we import from the package and use the conventional Polynomial class because of its familiarity:

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import Polynomial as P
>>> p = P([1, 2, 3])
>>> p
Polynomial([1., 2., 3.], domain=[-1, 1], window=[-1, 1])
```

Note that there are three parts to the long version of the printout. The first is the coefficients, the second is the domain, and the third is the window:

```
>>> p.coef
array([1., 2., 3.])
>>> p.domain
array([-1, 1])
>>> p.window
array([-1, 1])
```

Printing a polynomial yields the polynomial expression in a more familiar format:

```
>>> print(p)
1.0 + 2.0·x¹ + 3.0·x²
```

Note that the string representation of polynomials uses Unicode characters by default (except on Windows) to express powers and subscripts. An ASCII-based representation is also available (default on Windows). The polynomial string format can be toggled at the package-level with the `set_default_printstyle` function:

```
>>> np.polynomial.set_default_printstyle('ascii')
>>> print(p)
1.0 + 2.0 x**1 + 3.0 x**2
```

or controlled for individual polynomial instances with string formatting:

```
>>> print(f"p:{p:unicode}")
1.0 + 2.0·x¹ + 3.0·x²
```

We will deal with the domain and window when we get to fitting, for the moment we ignore them and run through the basic algebraic and arithmetic operations.

Addition and Subtraction:

```
>>> p + p
Polynomial([2., 4., 6.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> p - p
Polynomial([0.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Multiplication:

```
>>> p * p
Polynomial([ 1., 4., 10., 12., 9.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Powers:

```
>>> p**2
Polynomial([ 1., 4., 10., 12., 9.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Division:

Floor division, ‘//’, is the division operator for the polynomial classes, polynomials are treated like integers in this regard. For Python versions < 3.x the ‘/’ operator maps to ‘//’, as it does for Python, for later versions the ‘/’ will only work for division by scalars. At some point it will be deprecated:

```
>>> p // P([-1, 1])
Polynomial([5., 3.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Remainder:

```
>>> p % P([-1, 1])
Polynomial([6.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Divmod:

```
>>> quo, rem = divmod(p, P([-1, 1]))
>>> quo
Polynomial([5., 3.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> rem
Polynomial([6.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Evaluation:

```
>>> x = np.arange(5)
>>> p(x)
array([ 1., 6., 17., 34., 57.])
>>> x = np.arange(6).reshape(3,2)
>>> p(x)
array([[ 1., 6.],
       [17., 34.],
       [57., 86.]])
```

Substitution:

Substitute a polynomial for x and expand the result. Here we substitute p in itself leading to a new polynomial of degree 4 after expansion. If the polynomials are regarded as functions this is composition of functions:

```
>>> p(p)
Polynomial([ 6., 16., 36., 36., 27.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Roots:

```
>>> p.roots()
array([-0.33333333-0.47140452j, -0.33333333+0.47140452j])
```

It isn't always convenient to explicitly use Polynomial instances, so tuples, lists, arrays, and scalars are automatically cast in the arithmetic operations:

```
>>> p + [1, 2, 3]
Polynomial([2., 4., 6.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> [1, 2, 3] * p
Polynomial([ 1.,  4., 10., 12.,  9.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> p / 2
Polynomial([0.5, 1. , 1.5], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Polynomials that differ in domain, window, or class can't be mixed in arithmetic:

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import Chebyshev as T
>>> p + P([1], domain=[0,1])
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File "<string>", line 213, in __add__
TypeError: Domains differ
>>> p + P([1], window=[0,1])
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File "<string>", line 215, in __add__
TypeError: Windows differ
>>> p + T([1])
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File "<string>", line 211, in __add__
TypeError: Polynomial types differ
```

But different types can be used for substitution. In fact, this is how conversion of Polynomial classes among themselves is done for type, domain, and window casting:

```
>>> p(T([0, 1]))
Chebyshev([2.5, 2. , 1.5], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Which gives the polynomial  $p$  in Chebyshev form. This works because  $T_1(x) = x$  and substituting  $x$  for  $x$  doesn't change the original polynomial. However, all the multiplications and divisions will be done using Chebyshev series, hence the type of the result.

It is intended that all polynomial instances are immutable, therefore augmented operations ( $+=$ ,  $-=$ , etc.) and any other functionality that would violate the immutability of a polynomial instance are intentionally unimplemented.

## Calculus

Polynomial instances can be integrated and differentiated.:

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import Polynomial as P
>>> p = P([2, 6])
>>> p.integ()
Polynomial([0., 2., 3.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> p.integ(2)
Polynomial([0., 0., 1., 1.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

The first example integrates  $p$  once, the second example integrates it twice. By default, the lower bound of the integration and the integration constant are 0, but both can be specified.:

```
>>> p.integ(lbnd=-1)
Polynomial([-1.,  2.,  3.], domain=[-1.,  1.], window=[-1.,  1.])
>>> p.integ(lbnd=-1, k=1)
Polynomial([0.,  2.,  3.], domain=[-1.,  1.], window=[-1.,  1.])
```

In the first case the lower bound of the integration is set to -1 and the integration constant is 0. In the second the constant of integration is set to 1 as well. Differentiation is simpler since the only option is the number of times the polynomial is differentiated:

```
>>> p = P([1, 2, 3])
>>> p.deriv(1)
Polynomial([2.,  6.], domain=[-1.,  1.], window=[-1.,  1.])
>>> p.deriv(2)
Polynomial([6.], domain=[-1.,  1.], window=[-1.,  1.])
```

## Other Polynomial Constructors

Constructing polynomials by specifying coefficients is just one way of obtaining a polynomial instance, they may also be created by specifying their roots, by conversion from other polynomial types, and by least squares fits. Fitting is discussed in its own section, the other methods are demonstrated below:

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import Polynomial as P
>>> from numpy.polynomial import Chebyshev as T
>>> p = P.fromroots([1, 2, 3])
>>> p
Polynomial([-6., 11., -6., 1.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> p.convert(kind=T)
Chebyshev([-9., 11.75, -3., 0.25], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

The convert method can also convert domain and window:

```
>>> p.convert(kind=T, domain=[0, 1])
Chebyshev([-2.4375, 2.96875, -0.5625, 0.03125], domain=[0., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> p.convert(kind=P, domain=[0, 1])
Polynomial([-1.875, 2.875, -1.125, 0.125], domain=[0., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

In numpy versions  $\geq 1.7.0$  the *basis* and *cast* class methods are also available. The cast method works like the convert method while the basis method returns the basis polynomial of given degree:

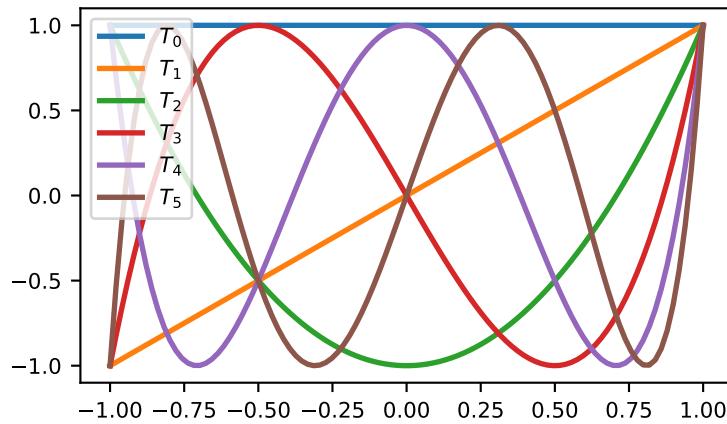
```
>>> P.basis(3)
Polynomial([0., 0., 0., 1.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> T.cast(p)
Chebyshev([-9., 11.75, -3., 0.25], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
```

Conversions between types can be useful, but it is *not* recommended for routine use. The loss of numerical precision in passing from a Chebyshev series of degree 50 to a Polynomial series of the same degree can make the results of numerical evaluation essentially random.

## Fitting

Fitting is the reason that the *domain* and *window* attributes are part of the convenience classes. To illustrate the problem, the values of the Chebyshev polynomials up to degree 5 are plotted below.

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from numpy.polynomial import Chebyshev as T
>>> x = np.linspace(-1, 1, 100)
>>> for i in range(6):
...     ax = plt.plot(x, T.basis(i)(x), lw=2, label=f"$T_{i}$")
...
>>> plt.legend(loc="upper left")
>>> plt.show()
```



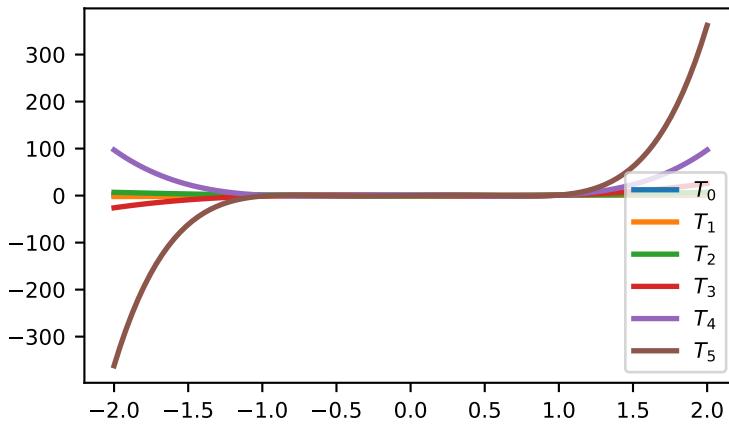
In the range  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$  they are nice, equiripple functions lying between  $\pm 1$ . The same plots over the range  $-2 \leq x \leq 2$  look very different:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from numpy.polynomial import Chebyshev as T
>>> x = np.linspace(-2, 2, 100)
>>> for i in range(6):
...     ax = plt.plot(x, T.basis(i)(x), lw=2, label=f"$T_{i}$")
...
>>> plt.legend(loc="lower right")
>>> plt.show()
```

As can be seen, the “good” parts have shrunk to insignificance. In using Chebyshev polynomials for fitting we want to use the region where  $x$  is between  $-1$  and  $1$  and that is what the *window* specifies. However, it is unlikely that the data to be fit has all its data points in that interval, so we use *domain* to specify the interval where the data points lie. When the fit is done, the domain is first mapped to the window by a linear transformation and the usual least squares fit is done using the mapped data points. The window and domain of the fit are part of the returned series and are automatically used when computing values, derivatives, and such. If they aren’t specified in the call the fitting routine will use the default window and the smallest domain that holds all the data points. This is illustrated below for a fit to a noisy sine curve.

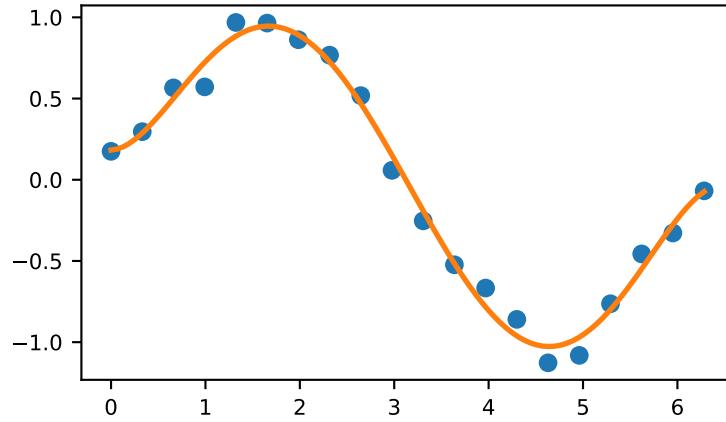
```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import Chebyshev as T
>>> np.random.seed(11)
>>> x = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 20)
>>> y = np.sin(x) + np.random.normal(scale=.1, size=x.shape)
>>> p = T.fit(x, y, 5)
>>> plt.plot(x, y, 'o')
>>> xx, yy = p.linspace()
>>> plt.plot(xx, yy, lw=2)
>>> p.domain
array([0.           ,  6.28318531])
>>> p.window
array([-1.,  1.])
>>> plt.show()
```



Documentation pertaining to specific functions defined for each kind of polynomial individually can be found in the

corresponding module documentation:

New in version 1.4.0.

## Power Series (`numpy.polynomial.polynomial`)

This module provides a number of objects (mostly functions) useful for dealing with polynomials, including a `Polynomial` class that encapsulates the usual arithmetic operations. (General information on how this module represents and works with polynomial objects is in the docstring for its “parent” sub-package, `numpy.polynomial`).

### Classes

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`Polynomial`(`coef`[, `domain`, `window`]) A power series class.

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**class** `numpy.polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial` (`coef`, `domain=None`, `window=None`)

A power series class.

The `Polynomial` class provides the standard Python numerical methods ‘+’, ‘-’, ‘\*’, ‘//’, ‘%’, ‘divmod’, ‘\*\*’, and ‘()’ as well as the attributes and methods listed in the `ABCPolyBase` documentation.

#### Parameters

##### `coef`

[array\_like] Polynomial coefficients in order of increasing degree, i.e., (1, 2, 3) give  $1 + 2x + 3x^2$ .

##### `domain`

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Domain to use. The interval [`domain[0]`, `domain[1]`] is mapped to the interval [`window[0]`, `window[1]`] by shifting and scaling. The default value is [-1, 1].

##### `window`

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Window, see `domain` for its use. The default value is [-1, 1].

New in version 1.6.0.

#### Attributes

##### `basis_name`

## Methods

<code>__call__(arg)</code>	Call self as a function.
<code>basis(deg[, domain, window])</code>	Series basis polynomial of degree <i>deg</i> .
<code>cast(series[, domain, window])</code>	Convert series to series of this class.
<code>convert([domain, kind, window])</code>	Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.
<code>copy()</code>	Return a copy.
<code>cutdeg(deg)</code>	Truncate series to the given degree.
<code>degree()</code>	The degree of the series.
<code>deriv([m])</code>	Differentiate.
<code>fit(x, y, deg[, domain, rcond, full, w, window])</code>	Least squares fit to data.
<code>fromroots(roots[, domain, window])</code>	Return series instance that has the specified roots.
<code>has_samecoef(other)</code>	Check if coefficients match.
<code>has_samedomain(other)</code>	Check if domains match.
<code>has_sametype(other)</code>	Check if types match.
<code>has_samewindow(other)</code>	Check if windows match.
<code>identity([domain, window])</code>	Identity function.
<code>integ([m, k, lbnd])</code>	Integrate.
<code>linspace([n, domain])</code>	Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.
<code>mapparms()</code>	Return the mapping parameters.
<code>roots()</code>	Return the roots of the series polynomial.
<code>trim([tol])</code>	Remove trailing coefficients
<code>truncate(size)</code>	Truncate series to length <i>size</i> .

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.__call__(arg)`

Call self as a function.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.basis(deg, domain=None, window=None)`

Series basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

Returns the series representing the basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Parameters

#### `deg`

[int] Degree of the basis polynomial for the series. Must be  $\geq 0$ .

#### `domain`

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

#### `window`

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series with the coefficient of the *deg* term set to one and all others zero.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.cast(seriess, domain=None,  
                                                window=None)
```

Convert series to series of this class.

The *series* is expected to be an instance of some polynomial series of one of the types supported by the numpy.polynomial module, but could be some other class that supports the convert method.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****series**

[series] The series instance to be converted.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series of the same kind as the calling class and equal to *series* when evaluated.

See also:

**convert**

similar instance method

method

```
polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.convert(domain=None, kind=None, window=None)
```

Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.

**Parameters****domain**

[array\_like, optional] The domain of the converted series. If the value is None, the default domain of *kind* is used.

**kind**

[class, optional] The polynomial series type class to which the current instance should be converted. If kind is None, then the class of the current instance is used.

**window**

[array\_like, optional] The window of the converted series. If the value is None, the default window of *kind* is used.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] The returned class can be of different type than the current instance and/or have a different domain and/or different window.

**Notes**

Conversion between domains and class types can result in numerically ill defined series.

**method**

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.copy()`

Return a copy.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Copy of self.

**method**

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.cutdeg(deg)`

Truncate series to the given degree.

Reduce the degree of the series to *deg* by discarding the high order terms. If *deg* is greater than the current degree a copy of the current series is returned. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****deg**

[non-negative int] The series is reduced to degree *deg* by discarding the high order terms. The value of *deg* must be a non-negative integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with reduced degree.

**method**

```
polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.degree()
```

The degree of the series.

New in version 1.5.0.

### Returns

#### degree

[int] Degree of the series, one less than the number of coefficients.

method

```
polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.deriv(m=1)
```

Differentiate.

Return a series instance of that is the derivative of the current series.

### Parameters

#### m

[non-negative int] Find the derivative of order *m*.

### Returns

#### new\_series

[series] A new series representing the derivative. The domain is the same as the domain of the differentiated series.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.fit(x, y, deg, domain=None, rcond=None,  
full=False, w=None, window=None)
```

Least squares fit to data.

Return a series instance that is the least squares fit to the data *y* sampled at *x*. The domain of the returned instance can be specified and this will often result in a superior fit with less chance of ill conditioning.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

#### y

[array\_like, shape (M,)] y-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

#### deg

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

#### domain

[{None, [beg, end], []}, optional] Domain to use for the returned series. If None, then a minimal domain that covers the points *x* is chosen. If [] the class domain is used. The default value was the class domain in NumPy 1.4 and None in later versions. The [] option was added in numpy 1.5.0.

**rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is  $\text{len}(x) * \text{eps}$ , where  $\text{eps}$  is the relative precision of the float type, about  $2e-16$  in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight  $w[i]$  applies to the unsquared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products  $w[i]*y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\sigma(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.0.

**window**

[{{[beg, end]}}, optional] Window to use for the returned series. The default value is the default class domain

New in version 1.6.0.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series that represents the least squares fit to the data and has the domain and window specified in the call. If the coefficients for the unscaled and unshifted basis polynomials are of interest, do `new_series.convert().coef`.

**[resid, rank, sv, rcond]**

[list] These values are only returned if `full == True`

- `resid` – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- `rank` – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `sv` – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `rcond` – value of `rcond`.

For more details, see [linalg.lstsq](#).

**method**

**classmethod** `polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.fromroots(roots, domain=[], window=None)`

Return series instance that has the specified roots.

Returns a series representing the product  $(x - r[0]) * (x - r[1]) * \dots * (x - r[n-1])$ , where  $r$  is a list of roots.

**Parameters****roots**

[array\_like] List of roots.

**domain**

[{[], None, array\_like}, optional] Domain for the resulting series. If None the domain is the interval from the smallest root to the largest. If [] the domain is the class domain. The default is [].

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] Window for the returned series. If None the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Series with the specified roots.

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.has_samecoef(other)`

Check if coefficients match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `coef` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the coefficients are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.has_samedomain(other)`

Check if domains match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `domain` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the domains are the same, False otherwise.

method

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```
polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.has_sametype(other)
```

Check if types match.

New in version 1.7.0.

#### Parameters

##### **other**

[object] Class instance.

#### Returns

##### **bool**

[boolean] True if other is same class as self

method

```
polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.has_samewindow(other)
```

Check if windows match.

New in version 1.6.0.

#### Parameters

##### **other**

[class instance] The other class must have the window attribute.

#### Returns

##### **bool**

[boolean] True if the windows are the same, False otherwise.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.identity(domain=None,  
window=None)
```

Identity function.

If p is the returned series, then  $p(x) == x$  for all values of x.

#### Parameters

##### **domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

##### **window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

#### Returns

**new\_series**

[series] Series of representing the identity.

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.integ(m=1, k=[], lbnd=None)`

Integrate.

Return a series instance that is the definite integral of the current series.

**Parameters****m**

[non-negative int] The number of integrations to perform.

**k**

[array\_like] Integration constants. The first constant is applied to the first integration, the second to the second, and so on. The list of values must less than or equal to *m* in length and any missing values are set to zero.

**lbnd**

[Scalar] The lower bound of the definite integral.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the integral. The domain is the same as the domain of the integrated series.

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.linspace(n=100, domain=None)`

Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.

Returns the x, y values at *n* linearly spaced points across the domain. Here y is the value of the polynomial at the points x. By default the domain is the same as that of the series instance. This method is intended mostly as a plotting aid.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****n**

[int, optional] Number of point pairs to return. The default value is 100.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If not None, the specified domain is used instead of that of the calling instance. It should be of the form [beg, end]. The default is None which case the class domain is used.

**Returns****x, y**

[ndarray] x is equal to linspace(self.domain[0], self.domain[1], n) and y is the series evaluated at element of x.

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.mapparms()`

Return the mapping parameters.

The returned values define a linear map  $off + scl*x$  that is applied to the input arguments before the series is evaluated. The map depends on the domain and window; if the current domain is equal to the window the resulting map is the identity. If the coefficients of the series instance are to be used by themselves outside this class, then the linear function must be substituted for the  $x$  in the standard representation of the base polynomials.

#### Returns

**off, scl**

[float or complex] The mapping function is defined by  $off + scl*x$ .

#### Notes

If the current domain is the interval  $[l1, r1]$  and the window is  $[l2, r2]$ , then the linear mapping function  $L$  is defined by the equations:

$$\begin{aligned} L(l1) &= l2 \\ L(r1) &= r2 \end{aligned}$$

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.roots()`

Return the roots of the series polynomial.

Compute the roots for the series. Note that the accuracy of the roots decrease the further outside the domain they lie.

#### Returns

**roots**

[ndarray] Array containing the roots of the series.

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.trim(tol=0)`

Remove trailing coefficients

Remove trailing coefficients until a coefficient is reached whose absolute value greater than  $tol$  or the beginning of the series is reached. If all the coefficients would be removed the series is set to  $[0]$ . A new series instance is returned with the new coefficients. The current instance remains unchanged.

#### Parameters

**tol**

[non-negative number.] All trailing coefficients less than  $tol$  will be removed.

#### Returns

**new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with trimmed coefficients.

method

`polynomial.polynomial.Polynomial.truncate(size)`

Truncate series to length `size`.

Reduce the series to length `size` by discarding the high degree terms. The value of `size` must be a positive integer. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

#### Parameters

##### `size`

[positive int] The series is reduced to length `size` by discarding the high degree terms. The value of `size` must be a positive integer.

#### Returns

##### `new_series`

[series] New instance of series with truncated coefficients.

## Constants

<code>polydomain</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>polyzero</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>polyone</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>polyx</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.

`polynomial.polynomial.polydomain = array([-1, 1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

#### Parameters

##### (for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

##### `shape`

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

##### `dtype`

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

##### `buffer`

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

##### `offset`

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

{‘C’, ‘F’}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**

**array**

Construct an array.

**zeros**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**empty**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**dtype**

Create a data-type.

**numpy.typing.NDArray**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

**Attributes**

**T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

**flat**

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See [`ndarray.flat`](#) for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

```
polynomial.polynomial.polyzero = array([0])
```

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using [array](#), [zeros](#) or [empty](#) (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the [numpy](#) module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

### Parameters

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

#### shape

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

#### buffer

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

#### offset

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

#### strides

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

#### order

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

### See also:

#### [array](#)

Construct an array.

#### [zeros](#)

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

#### [empty](#)

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

#### [dtype](#)

Create a data-type.

#### [numpy.typing.NDArray](#)

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is `None`, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
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## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is `None`:

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array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
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array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

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[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

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[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., 'C\_CONTIGUOUS', 'OWNDATA', 'WRITEABLE', etc.

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[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See `ndarray.flat` for assignment examples; TODO).

### imag

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

### real

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

### size

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

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**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

**`polynomial.polynomial.polyone = array([1])`**

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****array**

Construct an array.

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Create an array, each element of which is zero.

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Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**dtype**

Create a data-type.

**numpy.typing.NDArray**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
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**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

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array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
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...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

**Attributes****T**

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[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

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[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

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`polynomial.polynomial.polyx = array([0, 1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

### Parameters

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

#### shape

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

#### buffer

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

#### offset

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

#### strides

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

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[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

### See also:

#### `array`

Construct an array.

#### `zeros`

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#### `dtype`

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#### `numpy.typing.NDArray`

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## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

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## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

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[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

## Arithmetic

<code>polyadd(c1, c2)</code>	Add one polynomial to another.
<code>polysub(c1, c2)</code>	Subtract one polynomial from another.
<code>polymulx(c)</code>	Multiply a polynomial by x.
<code>polymul(c1, c2)</code>	Multiply one polynomial by another.
<code>polydiv(c1, c2)</code>	Divide one polynomial by another.
<code>polypow(c, pow[, maxpower])</code>	Raise a polynomial to a power.
<code>polyval(x, c[, tensor])</code>	Evaluate a polynomial at points x.
<code>polyval2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D polynomial at points (x, y).
<code>polyval3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D polynomial at points (x, y, z).
<code>polygrid2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D polynomial on the Cartesian product of x and y.
<code>polygrid3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D polynomial on the Cartesian product of x, y and z.

`polynomial.polynomial.polyadd(c1, c2)`

Add one polynomial to another.

Returns the sum of two polynomials  $c1 + c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the polynomial  $1 + 2*x + 3*x^{**2}$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of polynomial coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] The coefficient array representing their sum.

**See also:**

[polysub](#), [polymulx](#), [polymul](#), [polydiv](#), [polypow](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2,1)
>>> sum = P.polyadd(c1,c2); sum
array([4., 4., 4.])
>>> P.polyval(2, sum) # 4 + 4(2) + 4(2**2)
28.0
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polysub(c1, c2)`

Subtract one polynomial from another.

Returns the difference of two polynomials  $c1 - c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the polynomial  $1 + 2x + 3x^2$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of polynomial coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Of coefficients representing their difference.

**See also:**

[polyadd](#), [polymulx](#), [polymul](#), [polydiv](#), [polypow](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2,1)
>>> P.polysub(c1,c2)
array([-2., 0., 2.])
>>> P.polysub(c2,c1) # -P.polysub(c1,c2)
array([ 2., 0., -2.])
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polymulx(c)`

Multiply a polynomial by x.

Multiply the polynomial  $c$  by  $x$ , where  $x$  is the independent variable.

**Parameters**

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of polynomial coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array representing the result of the multiplication.

**See also:**

[polyadd](#), [polysub](#), [polymul](#), [polydiv](#), [polypow](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.5.0.

`polynomial.polynomial.polymul(c1, c2)`

Multiply one polynomial by another.

Returns the product of two polynomials  $c1 * c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients, from lowest order term to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the polynomial  $1 + 2*x + 3*x^{**2}$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of coefficients representing a polynomial, relative to the “standard” basis, and ordered from lowest order term to highest.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Of the coefficients of their product.

**See also:**

[polyadd](#), [polysub](#), [polymulx](#), [polydiv](#), [polypow](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2,1)
>>> P.polymul(c1,c2)
array([ 3.,   8.,  14.,   8.,   3.])
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polydiv(c1, c2)`

Divide one polynomial by another.

Returns the quotient-with-remainder of two polynomials  $c1 / c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients, from lowest order term to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents  $1 + 2*x + 3*x^{**2}$ .

**Parameters**

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of polynomial coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****[quo, rem]**

[ndarrays] Of coefficient series representing the quotient and remainder.

**See also:**

[polyadd](#), [polysub](#), [polymulx](#), [polymul](#), [polypow](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> c1 = (1, 2, 3)
>>> c2 = (3, 2, 1)
>>> P.polydiv(c1, c2)
(array([3.]), array([-8., -4.]))
>>> P.polydiv(c2, c1)
(array([ 0.33333333]), array([ 2.66666667,  1.33333333])) # may vary
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polypow(c, pow, maxpower=None)`

Raise a polynomial to a power.

Returns the polynomial  $c$  raised to the power  $pow$ . The argument  $c$  is a sequence of coefficients ordered from low to high. i.e., [1,2,3] is the series  $1 + 2*x + 3*x^{*2}$ .

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of array of series coefficients ordered from low to high degree.

**pow**

[integer] Power to which the series will be raised

**maxpower**

[integer, optional] Maximum power allowed. This is mainly to limit growth of the series to unmanageable size. Default is 16

**Returns****coef**

[ndarray] Power series of power.

**See also:**

[polyadd](#), [polysub](#), [polymulx](#), [polymul](#), [polydiv](#)

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> P.polypow([1, 2, 3], 2)
array([ 1.,  4., 10., 12.,  9.])
```

`polynomial.polyval(x, c, tensor=True)`

Evaluate a polynomial at points `x`.

If `c` is of length  $n + 1$ , this function returns the value

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * x + \dots + c_n * x^n$$

The parameter `x` is converted to an array only if it is a tuple or a list, otherwise it is treated as a scalar. In either case, either `x` or its elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of `c`.

If `c` is a 1-D array, then  $p(x)$  will have the same shape as `x`. If `c` is multidimensional, then the shape of the result depends on the value of `tensor`. If `tensor` is true the shape will be `c.shape[1:] + x.shape`. If `tensor` is false the shape will be `c.shape[1:]`. Note that scalars have shape (,).

Trailing zeros in the coefficients will be used in the evaluation, so they should be avoided if efficiency is a concern.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like, compatible object] If `x` is a list or tuple, it is converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and treated as a scalar. In either case, `x` or its elements must support addition and multiplication with with themselves and with the elements of `c`.

#### c

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $n$  are contained in `c[n]`. If `c` is multidimensional the remaining indices enumerate multiple polynomials. In the two dimensional case the coefficients may be thought of as stored in the columns of `c`.

#### tensor

[boolean, optional] If True, the shape of the coefficient array is extended with ones on the right, one for each dimension of `x`. Scalars have dimension 0 for this action. The result is that every column of coefficients in `c` is evaluated for every element of `x`. If False, `x` is broadcast over the columns of `c` for the evaluation. This keyword is useful when `c` is multidimensional. The default value is True.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Returns

#### values

[ndarray, compatible object] The shape of the returned array is described above.

See also:

[`polyval2d`](#), [`polygrid2d`](#), [`polyval3d`](#), [`polygrid3d`](#)

## Notes

The evaluation uses Horner's method.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.polynomial import polyval
>>> polyval(1, [1,2,3])
6.0
>>> a = np.arange(4).reshape(2,2)
>>> a
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
>>> polyval(a, [1,2,3])
array([[ 1.,   6.],
       [17.,  34.]])
>>> coef = np.arange(4).reshape(2,2) # multidimensional coefficients
>>> coef
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
>>> polyval([1,2], coef, tensor=True)
array([[2.,  4.],
       [4.,  7.]])
>>> polyval([1,2], coef, tensor=False)
array([2.,  7.])
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polyval2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D polynomial at points (x, y).

This function returns the value

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * x^i * y^j$$

The parameters *x* and *y* are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either *x* and *y* or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of *c*.

If *c* has fewer than two dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be *c.shape[2:] + x.shape*.

### Parameters

**x, y**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points (*x*, *y*), where *x* and *y* must have the same shape. If *x* or *y* is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree *i,j* is contained in *c[i,j]*. If *c* has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

### Returns

**values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points formed with pairs of corresponding values from  $x$  and  $y$ .

See also:

[polyval](#), [polygrid2d](#), [polyval3d](#), [polygrid3d](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.polynomial.polyval3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D polynomial at points  $(x, y, z)$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y, z) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * x^i * y^j * z^k$$

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than 3 dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape$ .

**Parameters****x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible object] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points  $(x, y, z)$ , where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  must have the same shape. If any of  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j, k$  is contained in  $c[i, j, k]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than 3 the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the multidimensional polynomial on points formed with triples of corresponding values from  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

See also:

[polyval](#), [polyval2d](#), [polygrid2d](#), [polygrid3d](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.polynomial.polygrid2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D polynomial on the Cartesian product of x and y.

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * a^i * b^j$$

where the points  $(a, b)$  consist of all pairs formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$  and  $b$  from  $y$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension and  $y$  in the second.

The parameters  $x$  and  $y$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$  and  $y$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than two dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[2:] + x.shape + y.shape$ .

## Parameters

### x, y

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ . If  $x$  or  $y$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

### c

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i, j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

### values

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

See also:

[`polyval`](#), [`polyval2d`](#), [`polyval3d`](#), [`polygrid3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.polynomial.polygrid3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D polynomial on the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b, c) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * a^i * b^j * c^k$$

where the points ( $a, b, c$ ) consist of all triples formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$ ,  $b$  from  $y$ , and  $c$  from  $z$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension,  $y$  in the second, and  $z$  in the third.

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than three dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape + y.shape + z.shape$ .

## Parameters

### **x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ . If  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

### **c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i,j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

### **values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

## See also:

[`polyval`](#), [`polyval2d`](#), [`polygrid2d`](#), [`polyval3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

## Calculus

<a href="#"><code>polyder</code>(c[, m, scl, axis])</a>	Differentiate a polynomial.
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<a href="#"><code>polyint</code>(c[, m, k, lbdn, scl, axis])</a>	Integrate a polynomial.
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`polynomial.polynomial.polyder(c, m=1, scl=1, axis=0)`

Differentiate a polynomial.

Returns the polynomial coefficients  $c$  differentiated  $m$  times along  $axis$ . At each iteration the result is multiplied by  $scl$  (the scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable). The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the polynomial  $1 + 2*x + 3*x**2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1 + 1*x + 2*y + 2*x*y$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

## Parameters

### **c**

[array\_like] Array of polynomial coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

**m**

[int, optional] Number of derivatives taken, must be non-negative. (Default: 1)

**scl**

[scalar, optional] Each differentiation is multiplied by *scl*. The end result is multiplication by  $scl^{m-1}$ . This is for use in a linear change of variable. (Default: 1)

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which the derivative is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****der**

[ndarray] Polynomial coefficients of the derivative.

**See also:**

[polyint](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> c = (1,2,3,4) # 1 + 2x + 3x**2 + 4x**3
>>> P.polyder(c) # (d/dx)(c) = 2 + 6x + 12x**2
array([ 2.,   6.,  12.])
>>> P.polyder(c,3) # (d**3/dx**3)(c) = 24
array([24.])
>>> P.polyder(c,scl=-1) # (d/d(-x))(c) = -2 - 6x - 12x**2
array([-2., -6., -12.])
>>> P.polyder(c,2,-1) # (d**2/d(-x)**2)(c) = 6 + 24x
array([ 6.,  24.])
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polyint(c, m=1, k=[], lbnd=0, scl=1, axis=0)`

Integrate a polynomial.

Returns the polynomial coefficients *c* integrated *m* times from *lbnd* along *axis*. At each iteration the resulting series is **multiplied** by *scl* and an integration constant, *k*, is added. The scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable. (“Buyer beware”: note that, depending on what one is doing, one may want *scl* to be the reciprocal of what one might expect; for more information, see the Notes section below.) The argument *c* is an array of coefficients, from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the polynomial  $1 + 2x + 3x^2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1 + 1x + 2y + 2xy$  if *axis*=0 is *x* and *axis*=1 is *y*.

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of polynomial coefficients, ordered from low to high.

**m**

[int, optional] Order of integration, must be positive. (Default: 1)

**k**

[{[], list, scalar}, optional] Integration constant(s). The value of the first integral at zero is the first value in the list, the value of the second integral at zero is the second value, etc. If `k == []` (the default), all constants are set to zero. If `m == 1`, a single scalar can be given instead of a list.

**lbnd**

[scalar, optional] The lower bound of the integral. (Default: 0)

**scl**

[scalar, optional] Following each integration the result is *multiplied* by `scl` before the integration constant is added. (Default: 1)

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which the integral is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****S**

[ndarray] Coefficient array of the integral.

**Raises****ValueError**

If `m < 1`, `len(k) > m`, `np.ndim(lbnd) != 0`, or `np.ndim(scl) != 0`.

**See also:**

[`polyder`](#)

**Notes**

Note that the result of each integration is *multiplied* by `scl`. Why is this important to note? Say one is making a linear change of variable  $u = ax + b$  in an integral relative to  $x$ . Then  $dx = du/a$ , so one will need to set `scl` equal to  $1/a$  - perhaps not what one would have first thought.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> c = (1,2,3)
>>> P.polyint(c) # should return array([0, 1, 1, 1])
array([0.,  1.,  1.,  1.])
>>> P.polyint(c,3) # should return array([0, 0, 0, 1/6, 1/12, 1/20])
array([ 0.          ,  0.          ,  0.          ,  0.16666667,  0.08333333, # may vary
       0.05         ])
>>> P.polyint(c,k=3) # should return array([3, 1, 1, 1])
array([3.,  1.,  1.,  1.])
>>> P.polyint(c,lbnd=-2) # should return array([6, 1, 1, 1])
array([6.,  1.,  1.,  1.])
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```
array([6.,  1.,  1.,  1.])
>>> P.polyint(c,scl=-2) # should return array([0, -2, -2, -2])
array([ 0., -2., -2., -2.])
```

## Misc Functions

<code>polyfromroots(roots)</code>	Generate a monic polynomial with given roots.
<code>polyroots(c)</code>	Compute the roots of a polynomial.
<code>polyvalfromroots(x, r[, tensor])</code>	Evaluate a polynomial specified by its roots at points x.
<code>polyvander(x, deg)</code>	Vandermonde matrix of given degree.
<code>polyvander2d(x, y, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<code>polyvander3d(x, y, z, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<code>polycompanion(c)</code>	Return the companion matrix of c.
<code>polyfit(x, y, deg[, rcond, full, w])</code>	Least-squares fit of a polynomial to data.
<code>polytrim(c[, tol])</code>	Remove "small" "trailing" coefficients from a polynomial.
<code>polyline(off, scl)</code>	Returns an array representing a linear polynomial.

`polynomial.polynomial.polyfromroots(roots)`

Generate a monic polynomial with given roots.

Return the coefficients of the polynomial

$$p(x) = (x - r_0) * (x - r_1) * \dots * (x - r_n),$$

where the `r_n` are the roots specified in `roots`. If a zero has multiplicity n, then it must appear in `roots` n times. For instance, if 2 is a root of multiplicity three and 3 is a root of multiplicity 2, then `roots` looks something like [2, 2, 2, 3, 3]. The roots can appear in any order.

If the returned coefficients are `c`, then

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * x + \dots + x^n$$

The coefficient of the last term is 1 for monic polynomials in this form.

### Parameters

#### roots

[array\_like] Sequence containing the roots.

#### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] 1-D array of the polynomial's coefficients If all the roots are real, then `out` is also real, otherwise it is complex. (see Examples below).

See also:

`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.hermite_e.hermefromroots`

## Notes

The coefficients are determined by multiplying together linear factors of the form  $(x - r_i)$ , i.e.

$$p(x) = (x - r_0)(x - r_1)\dots(x - r_n)$$

where `n == len(roots) - 1`; note that this implies that 1 is always returned for  $a_n$ .

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> P.polyfromroots((-1,0,1)) # x(x - 1)(x + 1) = x^3 - x
array([ 0., -1.,  0.,  1.])
>>> j = complex(0,1)
>>> P.polyfromroots((-j,j)) # complex returned, though values are real
array([1.+0.j,  0.+0.j,  1.+0.j])
```

`polynomial.polyroots(c)`

Compute the roots of a polynomial.

Return the roots (a.k.a. “zeros”) of the polynomial

$$p(x) = \sum_i c[i] * x^i.$$

### Parameters

**c**

[1-D array\_like] 1-D array of polynomial coefficients.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array of the roots of the polynomial. If all the roots are real, then `out` is also real, otherwise it is complex.

See also:

[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermroots`](#)

## Notes

The root estimates are obtained as the eigenvalues of the companion matrix, Roots far from the origin of the complex plane may have large errors due to the numerical instability of the power series for such values. Roots with multiplicity greater than 1 will also show larger errors as the value of the series near such points is relatively insensitive to errors in the roots. Isolated roots near the origin can be improved by a few iterations of Newton's method.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.polynomial.polynomial as poly
>>> poly.polyroots(poly.polyfromroots((-1, 0, 1)))
array([-1.,  0.,  1.])
>>> poly.polyroots(poly.polyfromroots((-1, 0, 1))).dtype
dtype('float64')
>>> j = complex(0, 1)
>>> poly.polyroots(poly.polyfromroots((-j, 0, j)))
array([ 0.0000000e+00+0.j,  0.0000000e+00+1.j,  2.77555756e-17-1.j]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polyvalfromroots(x, r, tensor=True)`

Evaluate a polynomial specified by its roots at points `x`.

If `r` is of length  $N$ , this function returns the value

$$p(x) = \prod_{n=1}^N (x - r_n)$$

The parameter `x` is converted to an array only if it is a tuple or a list, otherwise it is treated as a scalar. In either case, either `x` or its elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of `r`.

If `r` is a 1-D array, then  $p(x)$  will have the same shape as `x`. If `r` is multidimensional, then the shape of the result depends on the value of `tensor`. If `tensor` is `True` the shape will be `r.shape[1:] + x.shape`; that is, each polynomial is evaluated at every value of `x`. If `tensor` is `False`, the shape will be `r.shape[1:]`; that is, each polynomial is evaluated only for the corresponding broadcast value of `x`. Note that scalars have shape `(,)`.

New in version 1.12.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like, compatible object] If `x` is a list or tuple, it is converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and treated as a scalar. In either case, `x` or its elements must support addition and multiplication with themselves and with the elements of `r`.

#### r

[array\_like] Array of roots. If `r` is multidimensional the first index is the root index, while the remaining indices enumerate multiple polynomials. For instance, in the two dimensional case the roots of each polynomial may be thought of as stored in the columns of `r`.

#### tensor

[boolean, optional] If `True`, the shape of the roots array is extended with ones on the right, one for each dimension of `x`. Scalars have dimension 0 for this action. The result is that every column of coefficients in `r` is evaluated for every element of `x`. If `False`, `x` is broadcast over

the columns of  $r$  for the evaluation. This keyword is useful when  $r$  is multidimensional. The default value is True.

## Returns

### values

[ndarray, compatible object] The shape of the returned array is described above.

See also:

[polyroots](#), [polyfromroots](#), [polyval](#)

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.polynomial import polyvalfromroots
>>> polyvalfromroots(1, [1,2,3])
0.0
>>> a = np.arange(4).reshape(2,2)
>>> a
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3]])
>>> polyvalfromroots(a, [-1, 0, 1])
array([[-0.,  0.],
       [ 6.,  24.]])
>>> r = np.arange(-2, 2).reshape(2,2) # multidimensional coefficients
>>> r # each column of r defines one polynomial
array([[[-2, -1],
       [ 0,  1]]])
>>> b = [-2, 1]
>>> polyvalfromroots(b, r, tensor=True)
array([[-0.,  3.],
       [ 3.,  0.]])
>>> polyvalfromroots(b, r, tensor=False)
array([-0.,  0.])
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polyvander(x, deg)`

Vandermonde matrix of given degree.

Returns the Vandermonde matrix of degree  $deg$  and sample points  $x$ . The Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., i] = x^i,$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq deg$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the elements of  $x$  and the last index is the power of  $x$ .

If  $c$  is a 1-D array of coefficients of length  $n + 1$  and  $V$  is the matrix  $V = \text{polyvander}(x, n)$ , then  $\text{np.dot}(V, c)$  and  $\text{polyval}(x, c)$  are the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of polynomials of the same degree and sample points.

## Parameters

### x

[array\_like] Array of points. The dtype is converted to float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. If  $x$  is scalar it is converted to a 1-D array.

**deg**

[int] Degree of the resulting matrix.

**Returns****vander**

[ndarray] The Vandermonde matrix. The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.shape + (deg + 1, )$ , where the last index is the power of  $x$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$ .

**See also:**

[polyvander2d](#), [polyvander3d](#)

`polynomial.polynomial.polyvander2d(x, y, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y)$ . The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (deg[1] + 1) * i + j] = x^i * y^j,$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq deg[0]$  and  $0 \leq j \leq deg[1]$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y)$  and the last index encodes the powers of  $x$  and  $y$ .

If  $V = \text{polyvander2d}(x, y, [xdeg, ydeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 2-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{00}, c_{01}, c_{02} \dots, c_{10}, c_{11}, c_{12} \dots$$

and  $\text{np.dot}(V, c.flat)$  and  $\text{polyval2d}(x, y, c)$  will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 2-D polynomials of the same degrees and sample points.

**Parameters****x, y**

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

**deg**

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [ $x\_deg, y\_deg$ ].

**Returns****vander2d**

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.shape + (order, )$ , where  $order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1)$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$  and  $y$ .

**See also:**

[polyvander](#), [polyvander3d](#), [polyval2d](#), [polyval3d](#)

`polynomial.polynomial.polyvander3d(x, y, z, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees `deg` and sample points (`x`, `y`, `z`). If  $l$ ,  $m$ ,  $n$  are the given degrees in `x`, `y`, `z`, then The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[\dots, (m+1)(n+1)i + (n+1)j + k] = x^i * y^j * z^k,$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq l$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq m$ , and  $0 \leq k \leq n$ . The leading indices of `V` index the points (`x`, `y`, `z`) and the last index encodes the powers of `x`, `y`, and `z`.

If `V = polyvander3d(x, y, z, [xdeg, ydeg, zdeg])`, then the columns of `V` correspond to the elements of a 3-D coefficient array `c` of shape (`xdeg + 1`, `ydeg + 1`, `zdeg + 1`) in the order

$$c_{000}, c_{001}, c_{002}, \dots, c_{010}, c_{011}, c_{012}, \dots$$

and `np.dot(V, c.flat)` and `polyval3d(x, y, z, c)` will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 3-D polynomials of the same degrees and sample points.

### Parameters

#### `x, y, z`

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

#### `deg`

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [`x_deg`, `y_deg`, `z_deg`].

### Returns

#### `vander3d`

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is `x.shape + (order, )`, where `order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1) * (deg[2] + 1)`. The dtype will be the same as the converted `x`, `y`, and `z`.

### See also:

[`polyvander`](#), [`polyvander3d`](#), [`polyval2d`](#), [`polyval3d`](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.polynomial.polycompanion(c)`

Return the companion matrix of `c`.

The companion matrix for power series cannot be made symmetric by scaling the basis, so this function differs from those for the orthogonal polynomials.

### Parameters

#### `c`

[array\_like] 1-D array of polynomial coefficients ordered from low to high degree.

**Returns****mat**

[ndarray] Companion matrix of dimensions (deg, deg).

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.polynomial.polyfit(x, y, deg, rcond=None, full=False, w=None)`

Least-squares fit of a polynomial to data.

Return the coefficients of a polynomial of degree *deg* that is the least squares fit to the data values *y* given at points *x*. If *y* is 1-D the returned coefficients will also be 1-D. If *y* is 2-D multiple fits are done, one for each column of *y*, and the resulting coefficients are stored in the corresponding columns of a 2-D return. The fitted polynomial(s) are in the form

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * x + \dots + c_n * x^n,$$

where *n* is *deg*.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like, shape (*M*,)] x-coordinates of the *M* sample (data) points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*]).

**y**

[array\_like, shape (*M*,) or (*M*, *K*)] y-coordinates of the sample points. Several sets of sample points sharing the same x-coordinates can be (independently) fit with one call to `polyfit` by passing in for *y* a 2-D array that contains one data set per column.

**deg**

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

**rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than *rcond*, relative to the largest singular value, will be ignored. The default value is `len(x)*eps`, where *eps* is the relative precision of the platform's float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining the nature of the return value. When `False` (the default) just the coefficients are returned; when `True`, diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition (used to solve the fit's matrix equation) is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (*M*,), optional] Weights. If not `None`, the weight *w*[*i*] applies to the un-squared residual *y*[*i*] - *y\_hat*[*i*] at *x*[*i*]. Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products *w*[*i*]\**y*[*i*] all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use *w*[*i*] = 1/*sigma*(*y*[*i*]). The default value is `None`.

New in version 1.5.0.

## Returns

### coef

[ndarray, shape  $(deg + 1,)$  or  $(deg + 1, K)$ ] Polynomial coefficients ordered from low to high. If  $y$  was 2-D, the coefficients in column  $k$  of  $coef$  represent the polynomial fit to the data in  $y$ 's  $k$ -th column.

### [residuals, rank, singular\_values, rcond]

[list] These values are only returned if  $full == True$

- residuals – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- rank – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- singular\_values – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- rcond – value of  $rcond$ .

For more details, see [`numpy.linalg.lstsq`](#).

## Raises

### RankWarning

Raised if the matrix in the least-squares fit is rank deficient. The warning is only raised if  $full == False$ . The warnings can be turned off by:

```
>>> import warnings  
>>> warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
```

## See also:

[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermefit`](#)

[`polyval`](#)

Evaluates a polynomial.

[`polyvander`](#)

Vandermonde matrix for powers.

[`numpy.linalg.lstsq`](#)

Computes a least-squares fit from the matrix.

[`scipy.interpolate.UnivariateSpline`](#)

Computes spline fits.

## Notes

The solution is the coefficients of the polynomial  $p$  that minimizes the sum of the weighted squared errors

$$E = \sum_j w_j^2 * |y_j - p(x_j)|^2,$$

where the  $w_j$  are the weights. This problem is solved by setting up the (typically) over-determined matrix equation:

$$V(x) * c = w * y,$$

where  $V$  is the weighted pseudo Vandermonde matrix of  $x$ ,  $c$  are the coefficients to be solved for,  $w$  are the weights, and  $y$  are the observed values. This equation is then solved using the singular value decomposition of  $V$ .

If some of the singular values of  $V$  are so small that they are neglected (and `full == False`), a `RankWarning` will be raised. This means that the coefficient values may be poorly determined. Fitting to a lower order polynomial will usually get rid of the warning (but may not be what you want, of course; if you have independent reason(s) for choosing the degree which isn't working, you may have to: a) reconsider those reasons, and/or b) reconsider the quality of your data). The `rcond` parameter can also be set to a value smaller than its default, but the resulting fit may be spurious and have large contributions from roundoff error.

Polynomial fits using double precision tend to “fail” at about (polynomial) degree 20. Fits using Chebyshev or Legendre series are generally better conditioned, but much can still depend on the distribution of the sample points and the smoothness of the data. If the quality of the fit is inadequate, splines may be a good alternative.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> x = np.linspace(-1, 1, 51) # x "data": [-1, -0.96, ..., 0.96, 1]
>>> y = x**3 - x + np.random.randn(len(x)) # x^3 - x + N(0, 1) "noise"
>>> c, stats = P.polyfit(x,y,3,full=True)
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> c # c[0], c[2] should be approx. 0, c[1] approx. -1, c[3] approx. 1
array([ 0.01909725, -1.30598256, -0.00577963,  1.02644286]) # may vary
>>> stats # note the large SSR, explaining the rather poor results
[array([ 38.06116253]), 4, array([ 1.38446749,  1.32119158,  0.50443316, # may vary
   0.28853036]), 1.1324274851176597e-014]
```

Same thing without the added noise

```
>>> y = x**3 - x
>>> c, stats = P.polyfit(x,y,3,full=True)
>>> c # c[0], c[2] should be "very close to 0", c[1] ~=-1, c[3] ~= 1
array([-6.36925336e-18, -1.00000000e+00, -4.08053781e-16,  1.00000000e+00])
>>> stats # note the minuscule SSR
[array([ 7.46346754e-31]), 4, array([ 1.38446749,  1.32119158, # may vary
   0.50443316,  0.28853036]), 1.1324274851176597e-014]
```

`polynomial.polynomial.polytrim(c, tol=0)`

Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.

“Small” means “small in absolute value” and is controlled by the parameter `tol`; “trailing” means highest order coefficient(s), e.g., in [0, 1, 1, 0, 0] (which represents  $0 + x + x^{*2} + 0*x^{*3} + 0*x^{*4}$ ) both the 3-rd and 4-th order coefficients would be “trimmed.”

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] 1-d array of coefficients, ordered from lowest order to highest.

**tol**[number, optional] Trailing (i.e., highest order) elements with absolute value less than or equal to *tol* (default value is zero) are removed.**Returns****trimmed**

[ndarray] 1-d array with trailing zeros removed. If the resulting series would be empty, a series containing a single zero is returned.

**Raises****ValueError**If *tol* < 0**See also:****trimseq****Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,3,0,5,0,0))
array([0., 0., 3., 0., 5.])
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,1e-3,0,1e-5,0,0),1e-3) # item == tol is trimmed
array([0.])
>>> i = complex(0,1) # works for complex
>>> pu.trimcoef((3e-4,1e-3*(1-i),5e-4,2e-5*(1+i)), 1e-3)
array([0.0003+0.j, 0.001 -0.001j])
```

polynomial.polynomial.polyline(*off*, *scl*)

Returns an array representing a linear polynomial.

**Parameters****off, scl**

[scalars] The “y-intercept” and “slope” of the line, respectively.

**Returns****y**[ndarray] This module’s representation of the linear polynomial *off* + *scl*\**x*.**See also:**[numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebline](#)

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```
numpy.polynomial.legendre.legline
numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagline
numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermeline
numpy.polynomial.hermite_e.hermeline
```

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polynomial as P
>>> P.polyline(1, -1)
array([ 1, -1])
>>> P.polyval(1, P.polyline(1, -1)) # should be 0
0.0
```

## See Also

`numpy.polynomial`

New in version 1.4.0.

## Chebyshev Series (`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev`)

This module provides a number of objects (mostly functions) useful for dealing with Chebyshev series, including a `Chebyshev` class that encapsulates the usual arithmetic operations. (General information on how this module represents and works with such polynomials is in the docstring for its “parent” sub-package, `numpy.polynomial`).

## Classes

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`Chebyshev(coef[, domain, window])`

A Chebyshev series class.

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**class** `numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev(coef, domain=None, window=None)`

A Chebyshev series class.

The Chebyshev class provides the standard Python numerical methods ‘+’, ‘-’, ‘\*’, ‘//’, ‘%’, ‘divmod’, ‘\*\*’, and ‘()’ as well as the methods listed below.

### Parameters

#### `coef`

[`array_like`] Chebyshev coefficients in order of increasing degree, i.e., `(1, 2, 3)` gives  $1*T_0(x) + 2*T_1(x) + 3*T_2(x)$ .

#### `domain`

[`(2,) array_like`, optional] Domain to use. The interval `[domain[0], domain[1]]` is mapped to the interval `[window[0], window[1]]` by shifting and scaling. The default value is `[-1, 1]`.

#### `window`

[`(2,) array_like`, optional] Window, see `domain` for its use. The default value is `[-1, 1]`.

New in version 1.6.0.

## Methods

<code>__call__(arg)</code>	Call self as a function.
<code>basis(deg[, domain, window])</code>	Series basis polynomial of degree <i>deg</i> .
<code>cast(series[, domain, window])</code>	Convert series to series of this class.
<code>convert([domain, kind, window])</code>	Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.
<code>copy()</code>	Return a copy.
<code>cutdeg(deg)</code>	Truncate series to the given degree.
<code>degree()</code>	The degree of the series.
<code>deriv([m])</code>	Differentiate.
<code>fit(x, y, deg[, domain, rcond, full, w, window])</code>	Least squares fit to data.
<code>fromroots(roots[, domain, window])</code>	Return series instance that has the specified roots.
<code>has_samecoef(other)</code>	Check if coefficients match.
<code>has_samedomain(other)</code>	Check if domains match.
<code>has_sametype(other)</code>	Check if types match.
<code>has_samewindow(other)</code>	Check if windows match.
<code>identity([domain, window])</code>	Identity function.
<code>integ([m, k, lbnd])</code>	Integrate.
<code>interpolate(func, deg[, domain, args])</code>	Interpolate a function at the Chebyshev points of the first kind.
<code>linspace([n, domain])</code>	Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.
<code>mapparms()</code>	Return the mapping parameters.
<code>roots()</code>	Return the roots of the series polynomial.
<code>trim([tol])</code>	Remove trailing coefficients
<code>truncate(size)</code>	Truncate series to length <i>size</i> .

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.__call__(arg)`

Call self as a function.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.basis(deg, domain=None, window=None)`

Series basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

Returns the series representing the basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Parameters

#### `deg`

[int] Degree of the basis polynomial for the series. Must be  $\geq 0$ .

#### `domain`

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

#### `window`

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

## Returns

### `new_series`

[series] A series with the coefficient of the *deg* term set to one and all others zero.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.cast` (*series*, *domain*=None, *window*=None)

Convert series to series of this class.

The *series* is expected to be an instance of some polynomial series of one of the types supported by the numpy.polynomial module, but could be some other class that supports the convert method.

New in version 1.7.0.

## Parameters

### `series`

[series] The series instance to be converted.

### `domain`

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

### `window`

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

## Returns

### `new_series`

[series] A series of the same kind as the calling class and equal to *series* when evaluated.

See also:

### `convert`

similar instance method

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.convert` (*domain*=None, *kind*=None, *window*=None)

Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.

## Parameters

### `domain`

[array\_like, optional] The domain of the converted series. If the value is None, the default domain of *kind* is used.

**kind**

[class, optional] The polynomial series type class to which the current instance should be converted. If kind is None, then the class of the current instance is used.

**window**

[array\_like, optional] The window of the converted series. If the value is None, the default window of *kind* is used.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] The returned class can be of different type than the current instance and/or have a different domain and/or different window.

**Notes**

Conversion between domains and class types can result in numerically ill defined series.

**method**

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.copy()`

Return a copy.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Copy of self.

**method**

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.cutdeg(deg)`

Truncate series to the given degree.

Reduce the degree of the series to *deg* by discarding the high order terms. If *deg* is greater than the current degree a copy of the current series is returned. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****deg**

[non-negative int] The series is reduced to degree *deg* by discarding the high order terms. The value of *deg* must be a non-negative integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with reduced degree.

**method**

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```
polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.degree()
```

The degree of the series.

New in version 1.5.0.

### Returns

#### **degree**

[int] Degree of the series, one less than the number of coefficients.

method

```
polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.deriv(m=1)
```

Differentiate.

Return a series instance of that is the derivative of the current series.

### Parameters

#### **m**

[non-negative int] Find the derivative of order *m*.

### Returns

#### **new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the derivative. The domain is the same as the domain of the differentiated series.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.fit(x, y, deg, domain=None, rcond=None,
                                                full=False, w=None, window=None)
```

Least squares fit to data.

Return a series instance that is the least squares fit to the data *y* sampled at *x*. The domain of the returned instance can be specified and this will often result in a superior fit with less chance of ill conditioning.

### Parameters

#### **x**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

#### **y**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] y-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

#### **deg**

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

#### **domain**

[{None, [beg, end], []}, optional] Domain to use for the returned series. If None, then a minimal domain that covers the points *x* is chosen. If [] the class domain is used. The default value was the class domain in NumPy 1.4 and None in later versions. The [] option was added in numpy 1.5.0.

**rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is  $\text{len}(x) * \text{eps}$ , where  $\text{eps}$  is the relative precision of the float type, about  $2e-16$  in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight  $w[i]$  applies to the unsquared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products  $w[i]*y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\sigma(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.0.

**window**

[{{[beg, end]}}, optional] Window to use for the returned series. The default value is the default class domain

New in version 1.6.0.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series that represents the least squares fit to the data and has the domain and window specified in the call. If the coefficients for the unscaled and unshifted basis polynomials are of interest, do `new_series.convert().coef`.

**[resid, rank, sv, rcond]**

[list] These values are only returned if `full == True`

- `resid` – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- `rank` – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `sv` – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `rcond` – value of `rcond`.

For more details, see [linalg.lstsq](#).

**method**

**classmethod** `polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.fromroots(roots, domain=[], window=None)`

Return series instance that has the specified roots.

Returns a series representing the product  $(x - r[0]) * (x - r[1]) * \dots * (x - r[n-1])$ , where  $r$  is a list of roots.

**Parameters****roots**

[array\_like] List of roots.

**domain**

[{[], None, array\_like}, optional] Domain for the resulting series. If None the domain is the interval from the smallest root to the largest. If [] the domain is the class domain. The default is [].

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] Window for the returned series. If None the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Series with the specified roots.

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.has_samecoef(other)`

Check if coefficients match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `coef` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the coefficients are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.has_samedomain(other)`

Check if domains match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `domain` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the domains are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.has_sametype(other)`

Check if types match.

New in version 1.7.0.

#### Parameters

##### **other**

[object] Class instance.

#### Returns

##### **bool**

[boolean] True if other is same class as self

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.has_samewindow(other)`

Check if windows match.

New in version 1.6.0.

#### Parameters

##### **other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `window` attribute.

#### Returns

##### **bool**

[boolean] True if the windows are the same, False otherwise.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.identity(domain=None, window=None)`

Identity function.

If `p` is the returned series, then `p(x) == x` for all values of `x`.

#### Parameters

##### **domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form `[beg, end]`, where `beg` and `end` are the endpoints of the domain. If `None` is given then the class domain is used. The default is `None`.

##### **window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form `[beg, end]`, where `beg` and `end` are the endpoints of the window. If `None` is given then the class window is used. The default is `None`.

#### Returns

**new\_series**

[series] Series of representing the identity.

method

```
polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.integ(m=1, k=[], lbnd=None)
```

Integrate.

Return a series instance that is the definite integral of the current series.

**Parameters****m**

[non-negative int] The number of integrations to perform.

**k**

[array\_like] Integration constants. The first constant is applied to the first integration, the second to the second, and so on. The list of values must less than or equal to *m* in length and any missing values are set to zero.

**lbnd**

[Scalar] The lower bound of the definite integral.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the integral. The domain is the same as the domain of the integrated series.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.interpolate(func, deg, domain=None, args=())
```

Interpolate a function at the Chebyshev points of the first kind.

Returns the series that interpolates *func* at the Chebyshev points of the first kind scaled and shifted to the domain. The resulting series tends to a minmax approximation of *func* when the function is continuous in the domain.

New in version 1.14.0.

**Parameters****func**

[function] The function to be interpolated. It must be a function of a single variable of the form *f(x, a, b, c...)*, where *a, b, c...* are extra arguments passed in the *args* parameter.

**deg**

[int] Degree of the interpolating polynomial.

**domain**

[{None, [beg, end]}, optional] Domain over which *func* is interpolated. The default is None, in which case the domain is [-1, 1].

**args**

[tuple, optional] Extra arguments to be used in the function call. Default is no extra arguments.

**Returns****polynomial**

[Chebyshev instance] Interpolating Chebyshev instance.

**Notes**

See `numpy.polynomial.chebfromfunction` for more details.

**method**

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.linspace (n=100, domain=None)`

Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.

Returns the x, y values at *n* linearly spaced points across the domain. Here y is the value of the polynomial at the points x. By default the domain is the same as that of the series instance. This method is intended mostly as a plotting aid.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****n**

[int, optional] Number of point pairs to return. The default value is 100.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If not None, the specified domain is used instead of that of the calling instance. It should be of the form [beg, end]. The default is None which case the class domain is used.

**Returns****x, y**

[ndarray] x is equal to linspace(self.domain[0], self.domain[1], n) and y is the series evaluated at element of x.

**method**

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.mapparms ()`

Return the mapping parameters.

The returned values define a linear map `off + scl*x` that is applied to the input arguments before the series is evaluated. The map depends on the domain and window; if the current domain is equal to the window the resulting map is the identity. If the coefficients of the series instance are to be used by themselves outside this class, then the linear function must be substituted for the x in the standard representation of the base polynomials.

**Returns**

**off, scl**

[float or complex] The mapping function is defined by  $\text{off} + \text{scl} * \text{x}$ .

**Notes**

If the current domain is the interval  $[l1, r1]$  and the window is  $[l2, r2]$ , then the linear mapping function  $L$  is defined by the equations:

$L(l1) = l2$
$L(r1) = r2$

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.roots()`

Return the roots of the series polynomial.

Compute the roots for the series. Note that the accuracy of the roots decrease the further outside the domain they lie.

**Returns****roots**

[ndarray] Array containing the roots of the series.

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.trim(tol=0)`

Remove trailing coefficients

Remove trailing coefficients until a coefficient is reached whose absolute value greater than  $tol$  or the beginning of the series is reached. If all the coefficients would be removed the series is set to [0]. A new series instance is returned with the new coefficients. The current instance remains unchanged.

**Parameters****tol**

[non-negative number.] All trailing coefficients less than  $tol$  will be removed.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with trimmed coefficients.

method

`polynomial.chebyshev.Chebyshev.truncate(size)`

Truncate series to length  $size$ .

Reduce the series to length  $size$  by discarding the high degree terms. The value of  $size$  must be a positive integer. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

**Parameters**

**size**

[positive int] The series is reduced to length `size` by discarding the high degree terms. The value of `size` must be a positive integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with truncated coefficients.

**Constants**

<code>chebdomain</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>chebzero</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>chebone</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>chebx</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebdomain = array([-1, 1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters****(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)****shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**

**array**

Construct an array.

**zeros**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**empty**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**dtype**

Create a data-type.

**`numpy.typing.NDArray`**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

**Attributes****T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array’s elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

**flat**

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See [`ndarray.flat`](#) for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array’s number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebzero = array([0])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

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For more information, refer to the [`numpy`](#) module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****[array](#)**

Construct an array.

**[zeros](#)**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**[empty](#)**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**[dtype](#)**

Create a data-type.

**[numpy.typing.NDArray](#)**

An ndarray alias `generic` w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

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Second mode:

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...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

### T

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### data

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

### dtype

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

### flags

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

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[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See `ndarray.flat` for assignment examples; TODO).

### imag

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

### real

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

### size

[int] Number of elements in the array.

### itemsize

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

### nbytes

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

### ndim

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[`ctypes` object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with `ctypes`.

**base**

[`ndarray`] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

```
polynomial.chebyshev.chebone = array([1])
```

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****`array`**

Construct an array.

**`zeros`**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**`empty`**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**`dtype`**

Create a data-type.

**`numpy.typing.NDArray`**

An ndarray alias `generic` w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is `None`, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is `None`:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
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...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
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array([2, 3])
```

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**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

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[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

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[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

```
polynomial.chebyshev.chebx = array([0, 1])
```

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the [numpy](#) module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

**(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)**

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****array**

Construct an array.

**zeros**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**empty**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**dtype**

Create a data-type.

**numpy.typing.NDArray**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2, 2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

**Attributes****T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

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[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See [`ndarray.flat`](#) for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its *base* (unless that array is also a view). The *base* array is where the array data is actually stored.

**Arithmetic**

<code>chebadd(c1, c2)</code>	Add one Chebyshev series to another.
<code>chebsub(c1, c2)</code>	Subtract one Chebyshev series from another.
<code>chebmulp(c)</code>	Multiply a Chebyshev series by x.
<code>chebmul(c1, c2)</code>	Multiply one Chebyshev series by another.
<code>chebdiv(c1, c2)</code>	Divide one Chebyshev series by another.
<code>chebpow(c, pow[, maxpower])</code>	Raise a Chebyshev series to a power.
<code>chebval(x, c[, tensor])</code>	Evaluate a Chebyshev series at points x.
<code>chebval2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D Chebyshev series at points (x, y).
<code>chebval3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Chebyshev series at points (x, y, z).
<code>chebgrid2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D Chebyshev series on the Cartesian product of x and y.
<code>chebgrid3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Chebyshev series on the Cartesian product of x, y, and z.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebadd(c1, c2)`

Add one Chebyshev series to another.

Returns the sum of two Chebyshev series  $c1 + c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients ordered from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $T_0 + 2*T_1 + 3*T_2$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Chebyshev series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array representing the Chebyshev series of their sum.

**See also:**

`chebsub, chebmulp, chebmul, chebdiv, chebpow`

**Notes**

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the sum of two Chebyshev series is a Chebyshev series (without having to “reproject” the result onto the basis set) so addition, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import chebyshev as C
>>> c1 = (1, 2, 3)
>>> c2 = (3, 2, 1)
>>> C.chebadd(c1, c2)
array([4., 4., 4.])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebsub(c1, c2)`

Subtract one Chebyshev series from another.

Returns the difference of two Chebyshev series  $c1 - c2$ . The sequences of coefficients are from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $T_0 + 2*T_1 + 3*T_2$ .

### Parameters

`c1, c2`

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Chebyshev series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

`out`

[ndarray] Of Chebyshev series coefficients representing their difference.

See also:

`chebadd, chebmux, chebmul, chebdiv, chebpow`

## Notes

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the difference of two Chebyshev series is a Chebyshev series (without having to “reproject” the result onto the basis set) so subtraction, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import chebyshev as C
>>> c1 = (1, 2, 3)
>>> c2 = (3, 2, 1)
>>> C.chebsub(c1, c2)
array([-2., 0., 2.])
>>> C.chebsub(c2, c1) # -C.chebsub(c1, c2)
array([2., 0., -2.])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebmux(c)`

Multiply a Chebyshev series by x.

Multiply the polynomial  $c$  by x, where x is the independent variable.

### Parameters

`c`

[array\_like] 1-D array of Chebyshev series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array representing the result of the multiplication.

**Notes**

New in version 1.5.0.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import chebyshev as C
>>> C.chebmulx([1, 2, 3])
array([1., 2.5, 1., 1.5])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebmul(c1, c2)`

Multiply one Chebyshev series by another.

Returns the product of two Chebyshev series  $c1 * c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients, from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $T_0 + 2*T_1 + 3*T_2$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Chebyshev series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Of Chebyshev series coefficients representing their product.

See also:

`chebadd, chebsub, chebmulx, chebdiv, chebpow`

**Notes**

In general, the (polynomial) product of two C-series results in terms that are not in the Chebyshev polynomial basis set. Thus, to express the product as a C-series, it is typically necessary to “reproject” the product onto said basis set, which typically produces “unintuitive live” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import chebyshev as C
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2,1)
>>> C.chebmul(c1,c2) # multiplication requires "reprojection"
array([ 6.5, 12. , 12. , 4. , 1.5])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebdiv(c1, c2)`

Divide one Chebyshev series by another.

Returns the quotient-with-remainder of two Chebyshev series  $c1 / c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $T_0 + 2*T_1 + 3*T_2$ .

### Parameters

`c1, c2`

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Chebyshev series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

`[quo, rem]`

[ndarrays] Of Chebyshev series coefficients representing the quotient and remainder.

See also:

`chebadd, chebsub, chebmux, chebmul, chebpow`

## Notes

In general, the (polynomial) division of one C-series by another results in quotient and remainder terms that are not in the Chebyshev polynomial basis set. Thus, to express these results as C-series, it is typically necessary to “reproject” the results onto said basis set, which typically produces “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import chebyshev as C
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2,1)
>>> C.chebdiv(c1,c2) # quotient "intuitive," remainder not
(array([3.]), array([-8., -4.]))
>>> c2 = (0,1,2,3)
>>> C.chebdiv(c2,c1) # neither "intuitive"
(array([0., 2.]), array([-2., -4.]))
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebpow(c, pow, maxpower=16)`

Raise a Chebyshev series to a power.

Returns the Chebyshev series  $c$  raised to the power  $pow$ . The argument  $c$  is a sequence of coefficients ordered from low to high. i.e., [1,2,3] is the series  $T_0 + 2*T_1 + 3*T_2$ .

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Chebyshev series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**pow**

[integer] Power to which the series will be raised

**maxpower**

[integer, optional] Maximum power allowed. This is mainly to limit growth of the series to unmanageable size. Default is 16

**Returns****coef**

[ndarray] Chebyshev series of power.

**See also:**

[`chebadd`](#), [`chebsub`](#), [`chebmux`](#), [`chebmul`](#), [`chebdiv`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import chebyshev as C
>>> C.chebpow([1, 2, 3, 4], 2)
array([15.5, 22. , 16. , ..., 12.5, 12. , 8. ])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebval(x, c, tensor=True)`

Evaluate a Chebyshev series at points x.

If *c* is of length  $n + 1$ , this function returns the value:

$$p(x) = c_0 * T_0(x) + c_1 * T_1(x) + \dots + c_n * T_n(x)$$

The parameter *x* is converted to an array only if it is a tuple or a list, otherwise it is treated as a scalar. In either case, either *x* or its elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of *c*.

If *c* is a 1-D array, then  $p(x)$  will have the same shape as *x*. If *c* is multidimensional, then the shape of the result depends on the value of *tensor*. If *tensor* is true the shape will be *c.shape[1:]* + *x.shape*. If *tensor* is false the shape will be *c.shape[1:]*. Note that scalars have shape (,).

Trailing zeros in the coefficients will be used in the evaluation, so they should be avoided if efficiency is a concern.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like, compatible object] If *x* is a list or tuple, it is converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and treated as a scalar. In either case, *x* or its elements must support addition and multiplication with themselves and with the elements of *c*.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $n$  are contained in *c*[ $n$ ]. If *c* is multidimensional the remaining indices enumerate multiple polynomials. In the two dimensional case the coefficients may be thought of as stored in the columns of *c*.

**tensor**

[boolean, optional] If True, the shape of the coefficient array is extended with ones on the right, one for each dimension of  $x$ . Scalars have dimension 0 for this action. The result is that every column of coefficients in  $c$  is evaluated for every element of  $x$ . If False,  $x$  is broadcast over the columns of  $c$  for the evaluation. This keyword is useful when  $c$  is multidimensional. The default value is True.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, algebra\_like] The shape of the return value is described above.

**See also:**

[`chebval2d`](#), [`chebgrid2d`](#), [`chebval3d`](#), [`chebgrid3d`](#)

**Notes**

The evaluation uses Clenshaw recursion, aka synthetic division.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebval2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D Chebyshev series at points ( $x, y$ ).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * T_i(x) * T_j(y)$$

The parameters  $x$  and  $y$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x$  and  $y$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  is a 1-D array a one is implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[2:] + x.shape$ .

**Parameters****x, y**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points  $(x, y)$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  must have the same shape. If  $x$  or  $y$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j$  is contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than 2 the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional Chebyshev series at points formed from pairs of corresponding values from  $x$  and  $y$ .

See also:

[`chebval`](#), [`chebgrid2d`](#), [`chebval3d`](#), [`chebgrid3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebval3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Chebyshev series at points (x, y, z).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y, z) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * T_i(x) * T_j(y) * T_k(z)$$

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than 3 dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape$ .

## Parameters

**x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible object] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points ( $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $z$ ), where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  must have the same shape. If any of  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i,j,k$  is contained in  $c[i, j, k]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than 3 the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

**values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the multidimensional polynomial on points formed with triples of corresponding values from  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

See also:

[`chebval`](#), [`chebval2d`](#), [`chebgrid2d`](#), [`chebgrid3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebgrid2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D Chebyshev series on the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * T_i(a) * T_j(b),$$

where the points  $(a, b)$  consist of all pairs formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$  and  $b$  from  $y$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension and  $y$  in the second.

The parameters  $x$  and  $y$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$  and  $y$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than two dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[2:] + x.shape + y.shape$ .

## Parameters

### `x, y`

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ . If  $x$  or  $y$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

### `c`

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j$  is contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

### `values`

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional Chebyshev series at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

## See also:

[`chebval`](#), [`chebval2d`](#), [`chebval3d`](#), [`chebgrid3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebgrid3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Chebyshev series on the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b, c) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * T_i(a) * T_j(b) * T_k(c)$$

where the points ( $a, b, c$ ) consist of all triples formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$ ,  $b$  from  $y$ , and  $c$  from  $z$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension,  $y$  in the second, and  $z$  in the third.

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than three dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape + y.shape + z.shape$ .

## Parameters

### `x, y, z`

[array\_like, compatible objects] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ . If  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

### `c`

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i,j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

### `values`

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

## See also:

[`chebval`](#), [`chebval2d`](#), [`chebgrid2d`](#), [`chebval3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

## Calculus

<a href="#"><code>chebder(c[, m, scl, axis])</code></a>	Differentiate a Chebyshev series.
<a href="#"><code>chebint(c[, m, k, lbnd, scl, axis])</code></a>	Integrate a Chebyshev series.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebder(c, m=1, scl=1, axis=0)`

Differentiate a Chebyshev series.

Returns the Chebyshev series coefficients  $c$  differentiated  $m$  times along  $axis$ . At each iteration the result is multiplied by  $scl$  (the scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable). The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $1*T_0 + 2*T_1 + 3*T_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*T_0(x)*T_0(y) + 1*T_1(x)*T_0(y) + 2*T_0(x)*T_1(y) + 2*T_1(x)*T_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

## Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] Array of Chebyshev series coefficients. If *c* is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

**m**

[int, optional] Number of derivatives taken, must be non-negative. (Default: 1)

**scl**

[scalar, optional] Each differentiation is multiplied by *scl*. The end result is multiplication by  $scl^{**m}$ . This is for use in a linear change of variable. (Default: 1)

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which the derivative is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****der**

[ndarray] Chebyshev series of the derivative.

**See also:**

[`chebint`](#)

**Notes**

In general, the result of differentiating a C-series needs to be “reprojected” onto the C-series basis set. Thus, typically, the result of this function is “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import chebyshev as C
>>> c = (1,2,3,4)
>>> C.chebder(c)
array([14., 12., 24.])
>>> C.chebder(c,3)
array([96.])
>>> C.chebder(c,scl=-1)
array([-14., -12., -24.])
>>> C.chebder(c,2,-1)
array([12., 96.])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebint(c, m=1, k=[], lbnd=0, scl=1, axis=0)`

Integrate a Chebyshev series.

Returns the Chebyshev series coefficients *c* integrated *m* times from *lbnd* along *axis*. At each iteration the resulting series is **multiplied** by *scl* and an integration constant, *k*, is added. The scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable. (“Buyer beware”: note that, depending on what one is doing, one may want *scl* to be the reciprocal of what one might expect; for more information, see the Notes section below.) The argument *c* is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $T_0 + 2*T_1 + 3*T_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*T_0(x)*T_0(y) + 1*T_1(x)*T_0(y) + 2*T_0(x)*T_1(y) + 2*T_1(x)*T_1(y)$  if *axis*=0 is *x* and *axis*=1 is *y*.

## Parameters

### c

[array\_like] Array of Chebyshev series coefficients. If c is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

### m

[int, optional] Order of integration, must be positive. (Default: 1)

### k

[{[], list, scalar}, optional] Integration constant(s). The value of the first integral at zero is the first value in the list, the value of the second integral at zero is the second value, etc. If k == [] (the default), all constants are set to zero. If m == 1, a single scalar can be given instead of a list.

### lbnd

[scalar, optional] The lower bound of the integral. (Default: 0)

### scl

[scalar, optional] Following each integration the result is *multiplied* by scl before the integration constant is added. (Default: 1)

### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which the integral is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

## Returns

### S

[ndarray] C-series coefficients of the integral.

## Raises

### ValueError

If m < 1, len(k) > m, np.ndim(lbnd) != 0, or np.ndim(scl) != 0.

## See also:

[`chebder`](#)

## Notes

Note that the result of each integration is *multiplied* by scl. Why is this important to note? Say one is making a linear change of variable  $u = ax + b$  in an integral relative to  $x$ . Then  $dx = du/a$ , so one will need to set scl equal to  $1/a$ - perhaps not what one would have first thought.

Also note that, in general, the result of integrating a C-series needs to be “reprojected” onto the C-series basis set. Thus, typically, the result of this function is “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import chebyshev as C
>>> c = (1, 2, 3)
>>> C.chebint(c)
array([ 0.5, -0.5,  0.5,  0.5])
>>> C.chebint(c, 3)
array([ 0.03125, -0.1875,  0.04166667, -0.05208333,  0.01041667, # may vary
       0.00625])
>>> C.chebint(c, k=3)
array([ 3.5, -0.5,  0.5,  0.5])
>>> C.chebint(c, lbnd=-2)
array([ 8.5, -0.5,  0.5,  0.5])
>>> C.chebint(c, scl=-2)
array([-1.,  1., -1., -1.])
```

## Misc Functions

<code>chebfromroots(roots)</code>	Generate a Chebyshev series with given roots.
<code>chebroots(c)</code>	Compute the roots of a Chebyshev series.
<code>chebvander(x, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.
<code>chebvander2d(x, y, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<code>chebvander3d(x, y, z, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<code>chebgauss(deg)</code>	Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature.
<code>chebweight(x)</code>	The weight function of the Chebyshev polynomials.
<code>chebcompanion(c)</code>	Return the scaled companion matrix of c.
<code>chebfit(x, y, deg[, rcond, full, w])</code>	Least squares fit of Chebyshev series to data.
<code>chebpts1(npts)</code>	Chebyshev points of the first kind.
<code>chebpts2(npts)</code>	Chebyshev points of the second kind.
<code>chebtrim(c[, tol])</code>	Remove "small" "trailing" coefficients from a polynomial.
<code>chebline(off, scl)</code>	Chebyshev series whose graph is a straight line.
<code>cheb2poly(c)</code>	Convert a Chebyshev series to a polynomial.
<code>poly2cheb(pol)</code>	Convert a polynomial to a Chebyshev series.
<code>chebinterpolate(func, deg[, args])</code>	Interpolate a function at the Chebyshev points of the first kind.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebfromroots(roots)`

Generate a Chebyshev series with given roots.

The function returns the coefficients of the polynomial

$$p(x) = (x - r_0) * (x - r_1) * \dots * (x - r_n),$$

in Chebyshev form, where the  $r_n$  are the roots specified in `roots`. If a zero has multiplicity n, then it must appear in `roots` n times. For instance, if 2 is a root of multiplicity three and 3 is a root of multiplicity 2, then `roots` looks something like [2, 2, 2, 3, 3]. The roots can appear in any order.

If the returned coefficients are `c`, then

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * T_1(x) + \dots + c_n * T_n(x)$$

The coefficient of the last term is not generally 1 for monic polynomials in Chebyshev form.

### Parameters

**roots**

[array\_like] Sequence containing the roots.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] 1-D array of coefficients. If all roots are real then *out* is a real array, if some of the roots are complex, then *out* is complex even if all the coefficients in the result are real (see Examples below).

**See also:**

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermefromroots`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.polynomial.chebyshev as C
>>> C.chebfromroots((-1,0,1)) # x^3 - x relative to the standard basis
array([ 0. , -0.25,  0. ,  0.25])
>>> j = complex(0,1)
>>> C.chebfromroots((-j,j)) # x^2 + 1 relative to the standard basis
array([1.5+0.j,  0. +0.j,  0.5+0.j])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebroots(c)`

Compute the roots of a Chebyshev series.

Return the roots (a.k.a. “zeros”) of the polynomial

$$p(x) = \sum_i c[i] * T_i(x).$$

**Parameters****c**

[1-D array\_like] 1-D array of coefficients.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array of the roots of the series. If all the roots are real, then *out* is also real, otherwise it is complex.

**See also:**

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legroots`](#)

```
numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagroots
numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermroots
numpy.polynomial.hermite_e.hermroots
```

## Notes

The root estimates are obtained as the eigenvalues of the companion matrix. Roots far from the origin of the complex plane may have large errors due to the numerical instability of the series for such values. Roots with multiplicity greater than 1 will also show larger errors as the value of the series near such points is relatively insensitive to errors in the roots. Isolated roots near the origin can be improved by a few iterations of Newton's method.

The Chebyshev series basis polynomials aren't powers of  $x$  so the results of this function may seem unintuitive.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.polynomial.chebyshev as cheb
>>> cheb.chebroots((-1, 1, -1, 1)) # T3 - T2 + T1 - T0 has real roots
array([-5.00000000e-01, 2.60860684e-17, 1.00000000e+00]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebvander(x, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degree `deg` and sample points `x`. The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., i] = T_i(x),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq \text{deg}$ . The leading indices of `V` index the elements of `x` and the last index is the degree of the Chebyshev polynomial.

If `c` is a 1-D array of coefficients of length  $n + 1$  and `V` is the matrix `V = chebvander(x, n)`, then `np.dot(V, c)` and `chebval(x, c)` are the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of Chebyshev series of the same degree and sample points.

### Parameters

`x`

[array\_like] Array of points. The dtype is converted to float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. If `x` is scalar it is converted to a 1-D array.

`deg`

[int] Degree of the resulting matrix.

### Returns

`vander`

[ndarray] The pseudo Vandermonde matrix. The shape of the returned matrix is `x.shape + (deg + 1, )`, where The last index is the degree of the corresponding Chebyshev polynomial. The dtype will be the same as the converted `x`.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebvander2d(x, y, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees `deg` and sample points (`x`, `y`). The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (deg[1] + 1) * i + j] = T_i(x) * T_j(y),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq deg[0]$  and  $0 \leq j \leq deg[1]$ . The leading indices of `V` index the points (`x`, `y`) and the last index encodes the degrees of the Chebyshev polynomials.

If `V = chebvander2d(x, y, [xdeg, ydeg])`, then the columns of `V` correspond to the elements of a 2-D coefficient array `c` of shape (`xdeg + 1`, `ydeg + 1`) in the order

$$c_{00}, c_{01}, c_{02} \dots, c_{10}, c_{11}, c_{12} \dots$$

and `np.dot(V, c.flat)` and `chebval2d(x, y, c)` will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 2-D Chebyshev series of the same degrees and sample points.

### Parameters

#### `x, y`

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

#### `deg`

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [`x_deg`, `y_deg`].

### Returns

#### `vander2d`

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is `x.shape + (order, )`, where `order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1)`. The dtype will be the same as the converted `x` and `y`.

### See also:

[`chebvander`](#), [`chebvander3d`](#), [`chebval2d`](#), [`chebval3d`](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebvander3d(x, y, z, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees `deg` and sample points (`x`, `y`, `z`). If  $l$ ,  $m$ ,  $n$  are the given degrees in `x`, `y`, `z`, then The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (m + 1)(n + 1)i + (n + 1)j + k] = T_i(x) * T_j(y) * T_k(z),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq l$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq m$ , and  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . The leading indices of `V` index the points (`x`, `y`, `z`) and the last index encodes the degrees of the Chebyshev polynomials.

If  $V = \text{chebvander3d}(x, y, z, [xdeg, ydeg, zdeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 3-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1, zdeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{000}, c_{001}, c_{002}, \dots, c_{010}, c_{011}, c_{012}, \dots$$

and `np.dot(V, c.flat)` and `chebval3d(x, y, z, c)` will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 3-D Chebyshev series of the same degrees and sample points.

### Parameters

#### **x, y, z**

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

#### **deg**

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [x\_deg, y\_deg, z\_deg].

### Returns

#### **vander3d**

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.\text{shape} + (\text{order},)$ , where  $\text{order} = (\text{deg}[0] + 1) * (\text{deg}[1] + 1) * (\text{deg}[2] + 1)$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

### See also:

`chebvander, chebvander3d, chebval2d, chebval3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebgauss(deg)`

Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature.

Computes the sample points and weights for Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature. These sample points and weights will correctly integrate polynomials of degree  $2 * deg - 1$  or less over the interval  $[-1, 1]$  with the weight function  $f(x) = 1/\sqrt{1-x^2}$ .

### Parameters

#### **deg**

[int] Number of sample points and weights. It must be  $\geq 1$ .

### Returns

#### **x**

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the sample points.

#### **y**

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the weights.

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

The results have only been tested up to degree 100, higher degrees may be problematic. For Gauss-Chebyshev there are closed form solutions for the sample points and weights. If  $n = \text{deg}$ , then

$$x_i = \cos(\pi(2i - 1)/(2n))$$

$$w_i = \pi/n$$

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebweight(x)`

The weight function of the Chebyshev polynomials.

The weight function is  $1/\sqrt{1-x^2}$  and the interval of integration is  $[-1, 1]$ . The Chebyshev polynomials are orthogonal, but not normalized, with respect to this weight function.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Values at which the weight function will be computed.

### Returns

**w**

[ndarray] The weight function at  $x$ .

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebcompanion(c)`

Return the scaled companion matrix of  $c$ .

The basis polynomials are scaled so that the companion matrix is symmetric when  $c$  is a Chebyshev basis polynomial. This provides better eigenvalue estimates than the unscaled case and for basis polynomials the eigenvalues are guaranteed to be real if `numpy.linalg.eigvalsh` is used to obtain them.

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Chebyshev series coefficients ordered from low to high degree.

### Returns

**mat**

[ndarray] Scaled companion matrix of dimensions  $(\text{deg}, \text{deg})$ .

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebfit(x, y, deg, rcond=None, full=False, w=None)`

Least squares fit of Chebyshev series to data.

Return the coefficients of a Chebyshev series of degree *deg* that is the least squares fit to the data values *y* given at points *x*. If *y* is 1-D the returned coefficients will also be 1-D. If *y* is 2-D multiple fits are done, one for each column of *y*, and the resulting coefficients are stored in the corresponding columns of a 2-D return. The fitted polynomial(s) are in the form

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * T_1(x) + \dots + c_n * T_n(x),$$

where *n* is *deg*.

## Parameters

### x

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points ( $x[i], y[i]$ ).

### y

[array\_like, shape (M,) or (M, K)] y-coordinates of the sample points. Several data sets of sample points sharing the same x-coordinates can be fitted at once by passing in a 2D-array that contains one dataset per column.

### deg

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer, all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions  $\geq 1.11.0$  a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

### rcond

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is  $\text{len}(x)*\text{eps}$ , where *eps* is the relative precision of the float type, about  $2e-16$  in most cases.

### full

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

### w

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight  $w[i]$  applies to the un-squared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products  $w[i]*y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\sigma(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.0.

## Returns

### coef

[ndarray, shape (M,) or (M, K)] Chebyshev coefficients ordered from low to high. If *y* was 2-D, the coefficients for the data in column *k* of *y* are in column *k*.

**[residuals, rank, singular\_values, rcond]**

[list] These values are only returned if `full == True`

- residuals – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- rank – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- singular\_values – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- rcond – value of `rcond`.

For more details, see `numpy.linalg.lstsq`.

**Warns****RankWarning**

The rank of the coefficient matrix in the least-squares fit is deficient. The warning is only raised if `full == False`. The warnings can be turned off by

```
>>> import warnings  
>>> warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
```

**See also:**

`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfit`

`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfit`

`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfit`

`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfit`

`numpy.polynomial.hermite_e.hermefit`

`chebval`

Evaluates a Chebyshev series.

`chebvander`

Vandermonde matrix of Chebyshev series.

`chebweight`

Chebyshev weight function.

`numpy.linalg.lstsq`

Computes a least-squares fit from the matrix.

`scipy.interpolate.UnivariateSpline`

Computes spline fits.

## Notes

The solution is the coefficients of the Chebyshev series  $p$  that minimizes the sum of the weighted squared errors

$$E = \sum_j w_j^2 * |y_j - p(x_j)|^2,$$

where  $w_j$  are the weights. This problem is solved by setting up as the (typically) overdetermined matrix equation

$$V(x) * c = w * y,$$

where  $V$  is the weighted pseudo Vandermonde matrix of  $x$ ,  $c$  are the coefficients to be solved for,  $w$  are the weights, and  $y$  are the observed values. This equation is then solved using the singular value decomposition of  $V$ .

If some of the singular values of  $V$  are so small that they are neglected, then a [RankWarning](#) will be issued. This means that the coefficient values may be poorly determined. Using a lower order fit will usually get rid of the warning. The `rcond` parameter can also be set to a value smaller than its default, but the resulting fit may be spurious and have large contributions from roundoff error.

Fits using Chebyshev series are usually better conditioned than fits using power series, but much can depend on the distribution of the sample points and the smoothness of the data. If the quality of the fit is inadequate splines may be a good alternative.

## References

[1]

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebpts1(npts)`

Chebyshev points of the first kind.

The Chebyshev points of the first kind are the points  $\cos(k\pi/(npts))$ , where  $x = [pi*(k + .5)/npts for k in range(npts)]$ .

### Parameters

#### npts

[int] Number of sample points desired.

### Returns

#### pts

[ndarray] The Chebyshev points of the first kind.

### See also:

[`chebpts2`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.5.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebpts2(npts)`

Chebyshev points of the second kind.

The Chebyshev points of the second kind are the points  $\cos(x)$ , where  $x = [\pi*k / (npts - 1)]$  for  $k$  in `range(npts)`.

### Parameters

#### npts

[int] Number of sample points desired.

### Returns

#### pts

[ndarray] The Chebyshev points of the second kind.

## Notes

New in version 1.5.0.

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebtrim(c, tol=0)`

Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.

“Small” means “small in absolute value” and is controlled by the parameter `tol`; “trailing” means highest order coefficient(s), e.g., in [0, 1, 1, 0, 0] (which represents  $0 + x + x^{**2} + 0*x^{**3} + 0*x^{**4}$ ) both the 3-rd and 4-th order coefficients would be “trimmed.”

### Parameters

#### c

[array\_like] 1-d array of coefficients, ordered from lowest order to highest.

#### tol

[number, optional] Trailing (i.e., highest order) elements with absolute value less than or equal to `tol` (default value is zero) are removed.

### Returns

#### trimmed

[ndarray] 1-d array with trailing zeros removed. If the resulting series would be empty, a series containing a single zero is returned.

### Raises

#### ValueError

If  $tol < 0$

See also:

**trimseq****Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,3,0,5,0,0))
array([0., 0., 3., 0., 5.])
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,1e-3,0,1e-5,0,0),1e-3) # item == tol is trimmed
array([0.])
>>> i = complex(0,1) # works for complex
>>> pu.trimcoef((3e-4,1e-3*(1-i),5e-4,2e-5*(1+i)), 1e-3)
array([0.0003+0.j, 0.001 -0.001j])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebline(off, scl)`

Chebyshev series whose graph is a straight line.

**Parameters**

`off, scl`

[scalars] The specified line is given by `off + scl*x`.

**Returns**

`y`

[ndarray] This module's representation of the Chebyshev series for `off + scl*x`.

**See also:**

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyline`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legline`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagline`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermeline`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermeline`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.polynomial.chebyshev as C
>>> C.chebline(3,2)
array([3, 2])
>>> C.chebval(-3, C.chebline(3,2)) # should be -3
-3.0
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.cheb2poly(c)`

Convert a Chebyshev series to a polynomial.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a Chebyshev series, ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest to highest degree.

**Parameters**

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the Chebyshev series coefficients, ordered from lowest order term to highest.

**Returns****pol**

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest order term to highest.

**See also:**

[\*poly2cheb\*](#)

**Notes**

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy import polynomial as P
>>> c = P.Chebyshev(range(4))
>>> c
Chebyshev([0., 1., 2., 3.], domain=[-1, 1], window=[-1, 1])
>>> p = c.convert(kind=P.Polynomial)
>>> p
Polynomial([-2., -8., 4., 12.], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> P.chebyshev.cheb2poly(range(4))
array([-2., -8., 4., 12.])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.poly2cheb(pol)`

Convert a polynomial to a Chebyshev series.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent Chebyshev series, ordered from lowest to highest degree.

**Parameters****pol**

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the polynomial coefficients

**Returns****c**

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent Chebyshev series.

**See also:**

[\*cheb2poly\*](#)

## Notes

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the `convert` method of a class instance.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy import polynomial as P
>>> p = P.Polynomial(range(4))
>>> p
Polynomial([0., 1., 2., 3.], domain=[-1, 1], window=[-1, 1])
>>> c = p.convert(kind=P.Chebyshev)
>>> c
Chebyshev([1. , 3.25, 1. , 0.75], domain=[-1., 1.], window=[-1., 1.])
>>> P.chebyshev.poly2cheb(range(4))
array([1. , 3.25, 1. , 0.75])
```

`polynomial.chebyshev.chebinterpolate(func, deg, args=())`

Interpolate a function at the Chebyshev points of the first kind.

Returns the Chebyshev series that interpolates *func* at the Chebyshev points of the first kind in the interval [-1, 1]. The interpolating series tends to a minmax approximation to *func* with increasing *deg* if the function is continuous in the interval.

New in version 1.14.0.

### Parameters

#### func

[function] The function to be approximated. It must be a function of a single variable of the form  $f(x, a, b, c\dots)$ , where  $a, b, c\dots$  are extra arguments passed in the *args* parameter.

#### deg

[int] Degree of the interpolating polynomial

#### args

[tuple, optional] Extra arguments to be used in the function call. Default is no extra arguments.

### Returns

#### coef

[ndarray, shape (deg + 1,)] Chebyshev coefficients of the interpolating series ordered from low to high.

## Notes

The Chebyshev polynomials used in the interpolation are orthogonal when sampled at the Chebyshev points of the first kind. If it is desired to constrain some of the coefficients they can simply be set to the desired value after the interpolation, no new interpolation or fit is needed. This is especially useful if it is known apriori that some of coefficients are zero. For instance, if the function is even then the coefficients of the terms of odd degree in the result can be set to zero.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy.polynomial.chebyshev as C
>>> C.chebfromfunction(lambda x: np.tanh(x) + 0.5, 8)
array([ 5.0000000e-01,  8.11675684e-01, -9.86864911e-17,
       -5.42457905e-02, -2.71387850e-16,  4.51658839e-03,
       2.46716228e-17, -3.79694221e-04, -3.26899002e-16])
```

## See also

`numpy.polynomial`

## Notes

The implementations of multiplication, division, integration, and differentiation use the algebraic identities [1]:

$$T_n(x) = \frac{z^n + z^{-n}}{2}$$

$$z \frac{dx}{dz} = \frac{z - z^{-1}}{2}.$$

where

$$x = \frac{z + z^{-1}}{2}.$$

These identities allow a Chebyshev series to be expressed as a finite, symmetric Laurent series. In this module, this sort of Laurent series is referred to as a “z-series.”

## References

New in version 1.6.0.

## Hermite Series, “Physicists” (`numpy.polynomial.hermite`)

This module provides a number of objects (mostly functions) useful for dealing with Hermite series, including a `Hermite` class that encapsulates the usual arithmetic operations. (General information on how this module represents and works with such polynomials is in the docstring for its “parent” sub-package, `numpy.polynomial`).

## Classes

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<code>Hermite</code> (coef[, domain, window])	An Hermite series class.
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**class** `numpy.polynomial.hermite.Hermite`(*coef*=*None*, *window*=*None*)

An Hermite series class.

The Hermite class provides the standard Python numerical methods ‘+’, ‘-’, ‘\*’, ‘/’, ‘%’, ‘divmod’, ‘\*\*’, and ‘()’ as well as the attributes and methods listed in the `ABCPolyBase` documentation.

### Parameters

#### coef

[array\_like] Hermite coefficients in order of increasing degree, i.e., (1, 2, 3) gives  $1 \cdot H_0(x) + 2 \cdot H_1(x) + 3 \cdot H_2(x)$ .

#### domain

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Domain to use. The interval [domain[0], domain[1]] is mapped to the interval [window[0], window[1]] by shifting and scaling. The default value is [-1, 1].

#### window

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Window, see `domain` for its use. The default value is [-1, 1].

New in version 1.6.0.

## Methods

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<code>__call__(arg)</code>	Call self as a function.
<code>basis</code> (deg[, domain, window])	Series basis polynomial of degree <i>deg</i> .
<code>cast</code> (series[, domain, window])	Convert series to series of this class.
<code>convert</code> ([domain, kind, window])	Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.
<code>copy()</code>	Return a copy.
<code>cutdeg</code> (deg)	Truncate series to the given degree.
<code>degree()</code>	The degree of the series.
<code>deriv</code> ([m])	Differentiate.
<code>fit</code> (x, y, deg[, domain, rcond, full, w, window])	Least squares fit to data.
<code>fromroots</code> (roots[, domain, window])	Return series instance that has the specified roots.
<code>has_samedomain</code> (other)	Check if domains match.
<code>has_sametype</code> (other)	Check if types match.
<code>has_samewindow</code> (other)	Check if windows match.
<code>identity</code> ([domain, window])	Identity function.
<code>integ</code> ([m, k, lbnd])	Integrate.
<code>linspace</code> ([n, domain])	Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.
<code>mapparms</code> ()	Return the mapping parameters.
<code>roots</code> ()	Return the roots of the series polynomial.
<code>trim</code> ([tol])	Remove trailing coefficients
<code>truncate</code> (size)	Truncate series to length <i>size</i> .

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method

```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.__call__(arg)
```

Call self as a function.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.hermite.Hermite.basis(deg, domain=None, window=None)
```

Series basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

Returns the series representing the basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

New in version 1.7.0.

#### Parameters

##### deg

[int] Degree of the basis polynomial for the series. Must be  $\geq 0$ .

##### domain

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

##### window

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

#### Returns

##### new\_series

[series] A series with the coefficient of the *deg* term set to one and all others zero.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.hermite.Hermite.cast(series, domain=None, window=None)
```

Convert series to series of this class.

The *series* is expected to be an instance of some polynomial series of one of the types supported by the numpy.polynomial module, but could be some other class that supports the convert method.

New in version 1.7.0.

#### Parameters

##### series

[series] The series instance to be converted.

##### domain

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

##### window

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

## Returns

### `new_series`

[series] A series of the same kind as the calling class and equal to *series* when evaluated.

## See also:

### `convert`

similar instance method

method

`polynomial.hermite.Hermite.convert(domain=None, kind=None, window=None)`

Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.

## Parameters

### `domain`

[array\_like, optional] The domain of the converted series. If the value is None, the default domain of *kind* is used.

### `kind`

[class, optional] The polynomial series type class to which the current instance should be converted. If kind is None, then the class of the current instance is used.

### `window`

[array\_like, optional] The window of the converted series. If the value is None, the default window of *kind* is used.

## Returns

### `new_series`

[series] The returned class can be of different type than the current instance and/or have a different domain and/or different window.

## Notes

Conversion between domains and class types can result in numerically ill defined series.

method

`polynomial.hermite.Hermite.copy()`

Return a copy.

## Returns

### `new_series`

[series] Copy of self.

method

```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.cutdeg(deg)
```

Truncate series to the given degree.

Reduce the degree of the series to *deg* by discarding the high order terms. If *deg* is greater than the current degree a copy of the current series is returned. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

New in version 1.5.0.

#### Parameters

**deg**

[non-negative int] The series is reduced to degree *deg* by discarding the high order terms.  
The value of *deg* must be a non-negative integer.

#### Returns

**new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with reduced degree.

method

```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.degree()
```

The degree of the series.

New in version 1.5.0.

#### Returns

**degree**

[int] Degree of the series, one less than the number of coefficients.

method

```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.deriv(m=1)
```

Differentiate.

Return a series instance of that is the derivative of the current series.

#### Parameters

**m**

[non-negative int] Find the derivative of order *m*.

#### Returns

**new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the derivative. The domain is the same as the domain of the differentiated series.

method

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```
classmethod polynomial.hermite.Hermite.fit(x, y, deg=None, rcond=None,  
    full=False, w=None, window=None)
```

Least squares fit to data.

Return a series instance that is the least squares fit to the data *y* sampled at *x*. The domain of the returned instance can be specified and this will often result in a superior fit with less chance of ill conditioning.

### Parameters

#### **x**

[array\_like, shape (*M*,)] x-coordinates of the *M* sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*]).

#### **y**

[array\_like, shape (*M*,)] y-coordinates of the *M* sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*]).

#### **deg**

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

#### **domain**

[{*None*, [*beg*, *end*], []}, optional] Domain to use for the returned series. If *None*, then a minimal domain that covers the points *x* is chosen. If [] the class domain is used. The default value was the class domain in NumPy 1.4 and *None* in later versions. The [] option was added in numpy 1.5.0.

#### **rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is len(*x*)\*eps, where eps is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

#### **full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is *False* (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when *True* diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

#### **w**

[array\_like, shape (*M*,), optional] Weights. If not *None*, the weight *w*[*i*] applies to the unsquared residual *y*[*i*] - *y\_hat*[*i*] at *x*[*i*]. Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products *w*[*i*]\**y*[*i*] all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use *w*[*i*] = 1/sigma(*y*[*i*]). The default value is *None*.

New in version 1.5.0.

#### **window**

[{[*beg*, *end*]}, optional] Window to use for the returned series. The default value is the default class domain

New in version 1.6.0.

### Returns

#### **new\_series**

[series] A series that represents the least squares fit to the data and has the domain and window specified in the call. If the coefficients for the unscaled and unshifted basis polynomials are of interest, do `new_series.convert().coef`.

### [resid, rank, sv, rcond]

[list] These values are only returned if `full == True`

- `resid` – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- `rank` – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `sv` – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `rcond` – value of `rcond`.

For more details, see [linalg.lstsq](#).

method

### **class**`method` `polynomial.hermite.Hermite.fromroots(roots, domain=[], window=None)`

Return series instance that has the specified roots.

Returns a series representing the product  $(x - r[0]) * (x - r[1]) * \dots * (x - r[n-1])$ , where `r` is a list of roots.

#### Parameters

##### `roots`

[array\_like] List of roots.

##### `domain`

[{[], None, array\_like}, optional] Domain for the resulting series. If None the domain is the interval from the smallest root to the largest. If [] the domain is the class domain. The default is [].

##### `window`

[{None, array\_like}, optional] Window for the returned series. If None the class window is used. The default is None.

#### Returns

##### `new_series`

[series] Series with the specified roots.

method

### `polynomial.hermite.Hermite.has_samecoef(other)`

Check if coefficients match.

New in version 1.6.0.

#### Parameters

##### `other`

[class instance] The other class must have the `coef` attribute.

#### Returns

**bool**

[boolean] True if the coefficients are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.hermite.Hermite.has_samedomain(other)`

Check if domains match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `domain` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the domains are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.hermite.Hermite.has_sametype(other)`

Check if types match.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****other**

[object] Class instance.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if other is same class as self

method

`polynomial.hermite.Hermite.has_samewindow(other)`

Check if windows match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `window` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the windows are the same, False otherwise.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.hermite.Hermite.identity(domain=None, window=None)`

Identity function.

If `p` is the returned series, then `p(x) == x` for all values of `x`.

### Parameters

#### domain

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [`beg, end`], where `beg` and `end` are the endpoints of the domain. If `None` is given then the class domain is used. The default is `None`.

#### window

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [`beg, end`], where `beg` and `end` are the endpoints of the window. If `None` is given then the class window is used. The default is `None`.

### Returns

#### new\_series

[series] Series of representing the identity.

method

`polynomial.hermite.Hermite.integ(m=1, k=[], lbnd=None)`

Integrate.

Return a series instance that is the definite integral of the current series.

### Parameters

#### m

[non-negative int] The number of integrations to perform.

#### k

[array\_like] Integration constants. The first constant is applied to the first integration, the second to the second, and so on. The list of values must less than or equal to `m` in length and any missing values are set to zero.

#### lbnd

[Scalar] The lower bound of the definite integral.

### Returns

#### new\_series

[series] A new series representing the integral. The domain is the same as the domain of the integrated series.

method

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```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.linspace (n=100, domain=None)
```

Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.

Returns the x, y values at  $n$  linearly spaced points across the domain. Here y is the value of the polynomial at the points x. By default the domain is the same as that of the series instance. This method is intended mostly as a plotting aid.

New in version 1.5.0.

### Parameters

#### n

[int, optional] Number of point pairs to return. The default value is 100.

#### domain

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If not None, the specified domain is used instead of that of the calling instance. It should be of the form [beg, end]. The default is None which case the class domain is used.

### Returns

#### x, y

[ndarray] x is equal to linspace(self.domain[0], self.domain[1], n) and y is the series evaluated at element of x.

method

```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.mapparms ()
```

Return the mapping parameters.

The returned values define a linear map  $\text{off} + \text{scl} * x$  that is applied to the input arguments before the series is evaluated. The map depends on the domain and window; if the current domain is equal to the window the resulting map is the identity. If the coefficients of the series instance are to be used by themselves outside this class, then the linear function must be substituted for the x in the standard representation of the base polynomials.

### Returns

#### off, scl

[float or complex] The mapping function is defined by  $\text{off} + \text{scl} * x$ .

### Notes

If the current domain is the interval  $[l1, r1]$  and the window is  $[l2, r2]$ , then the linear mapping function L is defined by the equations:

$L(l1) = l2$
$L(r1) = r2$

method

```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.roots()
```

Return the roots of the series polynomial.

Compute the roots for the series. Note that the accuracy of the roots decrease the further outside the domain they lie.

### Returns

#### roots

[ndarray] Array containing the roots of the series.

method

```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.trim(tol=0)
```

Remove trailing coefficients

Remove trailing coefficients until a coefficient is reached whose absolute value greater than *tol* or the beginning of the series is reached. If all the coefficients would be removed the series is set to [0]. A new series instance is returned with the new coefficients. The current instance remains unchanged.

### Parameters

#### tol

[non-negative number.] All trailing coefficients less than *tol* will be removed.

### Returns

#### new\_series

[series] New instance of series with trimmed coefficients.

method

```
polynomial.hermite.Hermite.truncate(size)
```

Truncate series to length *size*.

Reduce the series to length *size* by discarding the high degree terms. The value of *size* must be a positive integer. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

### Parameters

#### size

[positive int] The series is reduced to length *size* by discarding the high degree terms. The value of *size* must be a positive integer.

### Returns

#### new\_series

[series] New instance of series with truncated coefficients.

## Constants

<code>hermdomain</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>hermzero</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>hermone</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>hermx</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.

`polynomial.hermite.hermdomain = array([-1, 1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

### Parameters

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

#### shape

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

#### buffer

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

#### offset

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

#### strides

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

#### order

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

### See also:

#### `array`

Construct an array.

#### `zeros`

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

#### `empty`

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**dtype**

Create a data-type.

**numpy.typing.NDArray**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

**T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

**flat**

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See `ndarray.flat` for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

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[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.hermite.hermzero = array([0])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

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(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

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[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**[\*\*array\*\*](#)

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Create a data-type.

[\*\*numpy.typing.NDArray\*\*](#)

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

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[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

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[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

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```
polynomial.hermite.hermone = array([1])
```

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using [array](#), [zeros](#) or [empty](#) (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (*ndarray(...)*) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the [numpy](#) module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****[array](#)**

Construct an array.

**[zeros](#)**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**[empty](#)**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**[dtype](#)**

Create a data-type.

**[numpy.typing.NDArray](#)**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

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## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

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...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
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[ndarray] Real part of the array.

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[int] Number of elements in the array.

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[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

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**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.hermite.hermx = array([0. , 0.5])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****`array`**

Construct an array.

**`zeros`**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**`empty`**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**`dtype`**

Create a data-type.

**`numpy.typing.NDArray`**

An ndarray alias `generic` w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is `None`, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is `None`:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

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>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
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array([2, 3])
```

**Attributes****T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

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[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

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[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See [`ndarray.flat`](#) for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

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[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

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[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

## Arithmetic

<code>hermadd(c1, c2)</code>	Add one Hermite series to another.
<code>hermsub(c1, c2)</code>	Subtract one Hermite series from another.
<code>hermmulx(c)</code>	Multiply a Hermite series by $x$ .
<code>hermmul(c1, c2)</code>	Multiply one Hermite series by another.
<code>hermdiv(c1, c2)</code>	Divide one Hermite series by another.
<code>hermpow(c, pow[, maxpower])</code>	Raise a Hermite series to a power.
<code>hermval(x, c[, tensor])</code>	Evaluate an Hermite series at points $x$ .
<code>hermval2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D Hermite series at points $(x, y)$ .
<code>hermval3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Hermite series at points $(x, y, z)$ .
<code>hermgrid2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D Hermite series on the Cartesian product of $x$ and $y$ .
<code>hermgrid3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Hermite series on the Cartesian product of $x, y$ , and $z$ .

`polynomial.hermite.hermadd(c1, c2)`

Add one Hermite series to another.

Returns the sum of two Hermite series  $c1 + c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients ordered from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array representing the Hermite series of their sum.

See also:

`hermsub, hermmulx, hermmul, hermdiv, hermpow`

### Notes

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the sum of two Hermite series is a Hermite series (without having to “reproject” the result onto the basis set) so addition, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

### Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermadd
>>> hermadd([1, 2, 3], [1, 2, 3, 4])
array([2., 4., 6., 4.])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermsub(c1, c2)`

Subtract one Hermite series from another.

Returns the difference of two Hermite series  $c1 - c2$ . The sequences of coefficients are from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Of Hermite series coefficients representing their difference.

**See also:**

[`hermadd`](#), [`hermmulx`](#), [`hermmul`](#), [`hermdiv`](#), [`hermpow`](#)

**Notes**

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the difference of two Hermite series is a Hermite series (without having to “re-project” the result onto the basis set) so subtraction, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermsub
>>> hermsub([1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 2, 3])
array([0.,  0.,  0.,  4.])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermmulx(c)`

Multiply a Hermite series by x.

Multiply the Hermite series  $c$  by x, where x is the independent variable.

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array representing the result of the multiplication.

**See also:**

[`hermadd`](#), [`hermsub`](#), [`hermmul`](#), [`hermdiv`](#), [`hermpow`](#)

## Notes

The multiplication uses the recursion relationship for Hermite polynomials in the form

$$xP_i(x) = (P_{i+1}(x)/2 + i * P_{i-1}(x))$$

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermmulx
>>> hermmulx([1, 2, 3])
array([2., 6.5, 1., 1.5])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermmul(c1, c2)`

Multiply one Hermite series by another.

Returns the product of two Hermite series  $c1 * c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients, from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Of Hermite series coefficients representing their product.

**See also:**

`hermadd, hermsub, hermmulx, hermdiv, hermpow`

## Notes

In general, the (polynomial) product of two C-series results in terms that are not in the Hermite polynomial basis set. Thus, to express the product as a Hermite series, it is necessary to “reproject” the product onto said basis set, which may produce “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermmul
>>> hermmul([1, 2, 3], [0, 1, 2])
array([52., 29., 52., 7., 6.])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermdiv(c1, c2)`

Divide one Hermite series by another.

Returns the quotient-with-remainder of two Hermite series  $c1 / c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****[quo, rem]**

[ndarrays] Of Hermite series coefficients representing the quotient and remainder.

**See also:**

[hermadd](#), [hermsub](#), [hermmulx](#), [hermmul](#), [hermpow](#)

**Notes**

In general, the (polynomial) division of one Hermite series by another results in quotient and remainder terms that are not in the Hermite polynomial basis set. Thus, to express these results as a Hermite series, it is necessary to “reproject” the results onto the Hermite basis set, which may produce “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermdiv
>>> hermdiv([ 52.,  29.,  52.,  7.,  6.], [0, 1, 2])
(array([1., 2., 3.]), array([0.]))
>>> hermdiv([ 54.,  31.,  52.,  7.,  6.], [0, 1, 2])
(array([1., 2., 3.]), array([2., 2.]))
>>> hermdiv([ 53.,  30.,  52.,  7.,  6.], [0, 1, 2])
(array([1., 2., 3.]), array([1., 1.]))
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermpow(c, pow, maxpower=16)`

Raise a Hermite series to a power.

Returns the Hermite series  $c$  raised to the power  $pow$ . The argument  $c$  is a sequence of coefficients ordered from low to high. i.e.,  $[1,2,3]$  is the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**pow**

[integer] Power to which the series will be raised

**maxpower**

[integer, optional] Maximum power allowed. This is mainly to limit growth of the series to unmanageable size. Default is 16

**Returns****coef**

[ndarray] Hermite series of power.

See also:

`hermadd`, `hermsub`, `hermmulx`, `hermmul`, `hermdiv`

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermpow
>>> hermpow([1, 2, 3], 2)
array([81., 52., 82., 12., 9.])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermval(x, c, tensor=True)`

Evaluate an Hermite series at points  $x$ .

If  $c$  is of length  $n + 1$ , this function returns the value:

$$p(x) = c_0 * H_0(x) + c_1 * H_1(x) + \dots + c_n * H_n(x)$$

The parameter  $x$  is converted to an array only if it is a tuple or a list, otherwise it is treated as a scalar. In either case, either  $x$  or its elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  is a 1-D array, then  $p(x)$  will have the same shape as  $x$ . If  $c$  is multidimensional, then the shape of the result depends on the value of `tensor`. If `tensor` is true the shape will be  $c.shape[1:] + x.shape$ . If `tensor` is false the shape will be  $c.shape[1:]$ . Note that scalars have shape (,).

Trailing zeros in the coefficients will be used in the evaluation, so they should be avoided if efficiency is a concern.

## Parameters

### x

[array\_like, compatible object] If  $x$  is a list or tuple, it is converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and treated as a scalar. In either case,  $x$  or its elements must support addition and multiplication with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

### c

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $n$  are contained in  $c[n]$ . If  $c$  is multidimensional the remaining indices enumerate multiple polynomials. In the two dimensional case the coefficients may be thought of as stored in the columns of  $c$ .

### tensor

[boolean, optional] If True, the shape of the coefficient array is extended with ones on the right, one for each dimension of  $x$ . Scalars have dimension 0 for this action. The result is that every column of coefficients in  $c$  is evaluated for every element of  $x$ . If False,  $x$  is broadcast over the columns of  $c$  for the evaluation. This keyword is useful when  $c$  is multidimensional. The default value is True.

New in version 1.7.0.

## Returns

### values

[ndarray, algebra\_like] The shape of the return value is described above.

See also:

`hermval2d, hermgrid2d, hermval3d, hermgrid3d`

## Notes

The evaluation uses Clenshaw recursion, aka synthetic division.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermval
>>> coef = [1, 2, 3]
>>> hermval(1, coef)
11.0
>>> hermval([[1, 2], [3, 4]], coef)
array([[ 11.,   51.],
       [115.,  203.]])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermval2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D Hermite series at points (x, y).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * H_i(x) * H_j(y)$$

The parameters  $x$  and  $y$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x$  and  $y$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  is a 1-D array a one is implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[2:] + x.shape$ .

### Parameters

#### x, y

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points  $(x, y)$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  must have the same shape. If  $x$  or  $y$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

#### c

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j$  is contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

### Returns

#### values

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points formed with pairs of corresponding values from  $x$  and  $y$ .

### See also:

`hermval, hermgrid2d, hermval3d, hermgrid3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite.hermval3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Hermite series at points (x, y, z).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y, z) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * H_i(x) * H_j(y) * H_k(z)$$

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than 3 dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape$ .

## Parameters

### `x, y, z`

[array\_like, compatible object] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points  $(x, y, z)$ , where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  must have the same shape. If any of  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

### `c`

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j, k$  is contained in  $c[i, j, k]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than 3 the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

### `values`

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the multidimensional polynomial on points formed with triples of corresponding values from  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

See also:

`hermval, hermval2d, hermgrid2d, hermgrid3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite.hermgrid2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D Hermite series on the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * H_i(a) * H_j(b)$$

where the points  $(a, b)$  consist of all pairs formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$  and  $b$  from  $y$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension and  $y$  in the second.

The parameters  $x$  and  $y$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$  and  $y$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than two dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[2:] + x.shape$ .

### Parameters

#### **x, y**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ . If  $x$  or  $y$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

#### **c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i,j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

### Returns

#### **values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

See also:

[`hermval`](#), [`hermval2d`](#), [`hermval3d`](#), [`hermgrid3d`](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite.hermgrid3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Hermite series on the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b, c) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * H_i(a) * H_j(b) * H_k(c)$$

where the points  $(a, b, c)$  consist of all triples formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$ ,  $b$  from  $y$ , and  $c$  from  $z$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension,  $y$  in the second, and  $z$  in the third.

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than three dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape + y.shape + z.shape$ .

### Parameters

#### **x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ . If  $x$ , ‘ $y$ ’, or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn’t an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i,j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

**See also:**

[hermval](#), [hermval2d](#), [hermgrid2d](#), [hermval3d](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

**Calculus**

<a href="#">hermder</a> ( $c[, m, scl, axis]$ )	Differentiate a Hermite series.
<a href="#">hermint</a> ( $c[, m, k, lbnd, scl, axis]$ )	Integrate a Hermite series.

`polynomial.hermite.hermder`( $c, m=1, scl=1, axis=0$ )

Differentiate a Hermite series.

Returns the Hermite series coefficients  $c$  differentiated  $m$  times along  $axis$ . At each iteration the result is multiplied by  $scl$  (the scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable). The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $1*H_0 + 2*H_1 + 3*H_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*H_0(x)*H_0(y) + 1*H_1(x)*H_0(y) + 2*H_0(x)*H_1(y) + 2*H_1(x)*H_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] Array of Hermite series coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

**m**

[int, optional] Number of derivatives taken, must be non-negative. (Default: 1)

**scl**

[scalar, optional] Each differentiation is multiplied by  $scl$ . The end result is multiplication by  $scl^{**m}$ . This is for use in a linear change of variable. (Default: 1)

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which the derivative is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****der**

[ndarray] Hermite series of the derivative.

**See also:**

[`hermint`](#)

**Notes**

In general, the result of differentiating a Hermite series does not resemble the same operation on a power series. Thus the result of this function may be “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermder
>>> hermder([ 1.,  0.5,  0.5,  0.5])
array([1., 2., 3.])
>>> hermder([-0.5,  1./2.,  1./8.,  1./12.,  1./16.], m=2)
array([1., 2., 3.])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermint(c, m=1, k=[], lbnd=0, scl=1, axis=0)`

Integrate a Hermite series.

Returns the Hermite series coefficients  $c$  integrated  $m$  times from  $lbnd$  along  $axis$ . At each iteration the resulting series is **multiplied** by  $scl$  and an integration constant,  $k$ , is added. The scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable. (“Buyer beware”: note that, depending on what one is doing, one may want  $scl$  to be the reciprocal of what one might expect; for more information, see the Notes section below.) The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $H_0 + 2*H_1 + 3*H_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*H_0(x)*H_0(y) + 1*H_1(x)*H_0(y) + 2*H_0(x)*H_1(y) + 2*H_1(x)*H_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] Array of Hermite series coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

**m**

[int, optional] Order of integration, must be positive. (Default: 1)

**k**

[{[], list, scalar}, optional] Integration constant(s). The value of the first integral at  $lbnd$  is the first value in the list, the value of the second integral at  $lbnd$  is the second value, etc. If  $k == []$  (the default), all constants are set to zero. If  $m == 1$ , a single scalar can be given instead of a list.

**lbnd**

[scalar, optional] The lower bound of the integral. (Default: 0)

**scl**

[scalar, optional] Following each integration the result is *multiplied* by *scl* before the integration constant is added. (Default: 1)

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which the integral is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****S**

[ndarray] Hermite series coefficients of the integral.

**Raises****ValueError**

If  $m < 0$ ,  $\text{len}(k) > m$ ,  $\text{np.ndim(lbnd)} \neq 0$ , or  $\text{np.ndim(scl)} \neq 0$ .

**See also:**

[\*hermder\*](#)

**Notes**

Note that the result of each integration is *multiplied* by *scl*. Why is this important to note? Say one is making a linear change of variable  $u = ax + b$  in an integral relative to  $x$ . Then  $dx = du/a$ , so one will need to set *scl* equal to  $1/a$  - perhaps not what one would have first thought.

Also note that, in general, the result of integrating a C-series needs to be “reprojected” onto the C-series basis set. Thus, typically, the result of this function is “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermint
>>> hermint([1,2,3]) # integrate once, value 0 at 0.
array([1.,  0.5,  0.5,  0.5])
>>> hermint([1,2,3], m=2) # integrate twice, value & deriv 0 at 0
array([-0.5        ,  0.5        ,  0.125      ,  0.08333333,  0.0625    ]) # may ↵
   ↵vary
>>> hermint([1,2,3], k=1) # integrate once, value 1 at 0.
array([2.,  0.5,  0.5,  0.5])
>>> hermint([1,2,3], lbnd=-1) # integrate once, value 0 at -1
array([-2.,  0.5,  0.5,  0.5])
>>> hermint([1,2,3], m=2, k=[1,2], lbnd=-1)
array([-1.66666667, -0.5        ,  0.125      ,  0.08333333,  0.0625    ]) # may ↵
   ↵vary
```

## Misc Functions

<code>hermfromroots(roots)</code>	Generate a Hermite series with given roots.
<code>hermroots(c)</code>	Compute the roots of a Hermite series.
<code>hermvander(x, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.
<code>hermvander2d(x, y, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<code>hermvander3d(x, y, z, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<code>hermgauss(deg)</code>	Gauss-Hermite quadrature.
<code>hermweight(x)</code>	Weight function of the Hermite polynomials.
<code>hermcompanion(c)</code>	Return the scaled companion matrix of c.
<code>hermfit(x, y, deg[, rcond, full, w])</code>	Least squares fit of Hermite series to data.
<code>hermtrim(c[, tol])</code>	Remove "small" "trailing" coefficients from a polynomial.
<code>hermline(off, scl)</code>	Hermite series whose graph is a straight line.
<code>herm2poly(c)</code>	Convert a Hermite series to a polynomial.
<code>poly2herm(pol)</code>	Convert a polynomial to a Hermite series.

`polynomial.hermite.hermfromroots(roots)`

Generate a Hermite series with given roots.

The function returns the coefficients of the polynomial

$$p(x) = (x - r_0) * (x - r_1) * \dots * (x - r_n),$$

in Hermite form, where the  $r_n$  are the roots specified in `roots`. If a zero has multiplicity n, then it must appear in `roots` n times. For instance, if 2 is a root of multiplicity three and 3 is a root of multiplicity 2, then `roots` looks something like [2, 2, 2, 3, 3]. The roots can appear in any order.

If the returned coefficients are `c`, then

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * H_1(x) + \dots + c_n * H_n(x)$$

The coefficient of the last term is not generally 1 for monic polynomials in Hermite form.

### Parameters

#### roots

[array\_like] Sequence containing the roots.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] 1-D array of coefficients. If all roots are real then `out` is a real array, if some of the roots are complex, then `out` is complex even if all the coefficients in the result are real (see Examples below).

See also:

`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.hermite_e.hermefromroots`

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermfromroots, hermval
>>> coef = hermfromroots((-1, 0, 1))
>>> hermval((-1, 0, 1), coef)
array([0.,  0.,  0.])
>>> coef = hermfromroots((-1j, 1j))
>>> hermval((-1j, 1j), coef)
array([0.+0.j, 0.+0.j])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermroots(c)`

Compute the roots of a Hermite series.

Return the roots (a.k.a. “zeros”) of the polynomial

$$p(x) = \sum_i c[i] * H_i(x).$$

### Parameters

**c**

[1-D array\_like] 1-D array of coefficients.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array of the roots of the series. If all the roots are real, then *out* is also real, otherwise it is complex.

See also:

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermroots`](#)

### Notes

The root estimates are obtained as the eigenvalues of the companion matrix. Roots far from the origin of the complex plane may have large errors due to the numerical instability of the series for such values. Roots with multiplicity greater than 1 will also show larger errors as the value of the series near such points is relatively insensitive to errors in the roots. Isolated roots near the origin can be improved by a few iterations of Newton’s method.

The Hermite series basis polynomials aren’t powers of  $x$  so the results of this function may seem unintuitive.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermroots, hermfromroots
>>> coef = hermfromroots([-1, 0, 1])
>>> coef
array([0.    ,  0.25 ,  0.    ,  0.125])
>>> hermroots(coef)
array([-1.00000000e+00, -1.38777878e-17,  1.00000000e+00])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermvander(x, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degree *deg* and sample points *x*. The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., i] = H_i(x),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq \text{deg}$ . The leading indices of *V* index the elements of *x* and the last index is the degree of the Hermite polynomial.

If *c* is a 1-D array of coefficients of length  $n + 1$  and *V* is the array *V* = `hermvander(x, n)`, then `np.dot(V, c)` and `hermval(x, c)` are the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of Hermite series of the same degree and sample points.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Array of points. The dtype is converted to float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. If *x* is scalar it is converted to a 1-D array.

**deg**

[int] Degree of the resulting matrix.

### Returns

**vander**

[ndarray] The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix. The shape of the returned matrix is *x.shape* + (*deg* + 1,), where The last index is the degree of the corresponding Hermite polynomial. The dtype will be the same as the converted *x*.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermvander
>>> x = np.array([-1, 0, 1])
>>> hermvander(x, 3)
array([[ 1., -2.,  2.,  4.],
       [ 1.,  0., -2., -0.],
       [ 1.,  2.,  2., -4.]])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermvander2d(x, y, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y)$ . The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (deg[1] + 1) * i + j] = H_i(x) * H_j(y),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq deg[0]$  and  $0 \leq j \leq deg[1]$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y)$  and the last index encodes the degrees of the Hermite polynomials.

If  $V = \text{hermvander2d}(x, y, [xdeg, ydeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 2-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{00}, c_{01}, c_{02} \dots, c_{10}, c_{11}, c_{12} \dots$$

and  $\text{np.dot}(V, c.\text{flat})$  and  $\text{hermval2d}(x, y, c)$  will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 2-D Hermite series of the same degrees and sample points.

### Parameters

#### x, y

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

#### deg

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [x\_deg, y\_deg].

### Returns

#### vander2d

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.\text{shape} + (\text{order},)$ , where  $\text{order} = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1)$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$  and  $y$ .

### See also:

[`hermvander`](#), [`hermvander3d`](#), [`hermval2d`](#), [`hermval3d`](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite.hermvander3d(x, y, z, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y, z)$ . If  $l, m, n$  are the given degrees in  $x, y, z$ , then The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (m + 1)(n + 1)i + (n + 1)j + k] = H_i(x) * H_j(y) * H_k(z),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq l$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq m$ , and  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y, z)$  and the last index encodes the degrees of the Hermite polynomials.

If  $V = \text{hermvander3d}(x, y, z, [xdeg, ydeg, zdeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 3-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1, zdeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{000}, c_{001}, c_{002}, \dots, c_{010}, c_{011}, c_{012}, \dots$$

and `np.dot(V, c.flat)` and `hermval3d(x, y, z, c)` will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 3-D Hermite series of the same degrees and sample points.

### Parameters

#### x, y, z

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

#### deg

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [x\_deg, y\_deg, z\_deg].

### Returns

#### vander3d

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is `x.shape + (order, )`, where `order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1) * (deg[2] + 1)`. The dtype will be the same as the converted `x`, `y`, and `z`.

### See also:

[`hermvander`](#), [`hermvander3d`](#), [`hermval2d`](#), [`hermval3d`](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite.hermgauss(deg)`

Gauss-Hermite quadrature.

Computes the sample points and weights for Gauss-Hermite quadrature. These sample points and weights will correctly integrate polynomials of degree  $2 * deg - 1$  or less over the interval  $[-\infty, \infty]$  with the weight function  $f(x) = \exp(-x^2)$ .

### Parameters

#### deg

[int] Number of sample points and weights. It must be  $\geq 1$ .

### Returns

#### x

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the sample points.

#### y

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the weights.

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

The results have only been tested up to degree 100, higher degrees may be problematic. The weights are determined by using the fact that

$$w_k = c / (H'_n(x_k) * H_{n-1}(x_k))$$

where  $c$  is a constant independent of  $k$  and  $x_k$  is the  $k$ 'th root of  $H_n$ , and then scaling the results to get the right value when integrating 1.

`polynomial.hermite.hermweight(x)`

Weight function of the Hermite polynomials.

The weight function is  $\exp(-x^2)$  and the interval of integration is  $[-\infty, \infty]$ . the Hermite polynomials are orthogonal, but not normalized, with respect to this weight function.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Values at which the weight function will be computed.

### Returns

**w**

[ndarray] The weight function at  $x$ .

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite.hermcompanion(c)`

Return the scaled companion matrix of  $c$ .

The basis polynomials are scaled so that the companion matrix is symmetric when  $c$  is an Hermite basis polynomial. This provides better eigenvalue estimates than the unscaled case and for basis polynomials the eigenvalues are guaranteed to be real if `numpy.linalg.eigvals` is used to obtain them.

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high degree.

### Returns

**mat**

[ndarray] Scaled companion matrix of dimensions (deg, deg).

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite.hermfit(x, y, deg, rcond=None, full=False, w=None)`

Least squares fit of Hermite series to data.

Return the coefficients of a Hermite series of degree *deg* that is the least squares fit to the data values *y* given at points *x*. If *y* is 1-D the returned coefficients will also be 1-D. If *y* is 2-D multiple fits are done, one for each column of *y*, and the resulting coefficients are stored in the corresponding columns of a 2-D return. The fitted polynomial(s) are in the form

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * H_1(x) + \dots + c_n * H_n(x),$$

where *n* is *deg*.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*]).

#### y

[array\_like, shape (M,) or (M, K)] y-coordinates of the sample points. Several data sets of sample points sharing the same x-coordinates can be fitted at once by passing in a 2D-array that contains one dataset per column.

#### deg

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

#### rcond

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is len(*x*)\*eps, where eps is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

#### full

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

#### w

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight *w*[*i*] applies to the un-squared residual *y*[*i*] - *y\_hat*[*i*] at *x*[*i*]. Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products *w*[*i*]\**y*[*i*] all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use *w*[*i*] = 1/sigma(*y*[*i*]). The default value is None.

### Returns

#### coef

[ndarray, shape (M,) or (M, K)] Hermite coefficients ordered from low to high. If *y* was 2-D, the coefficients for the data in column *k* of *y* are in column *k*.

#### [residuals, rank, singular\_values, rcond]

[list] These values are only returned if *full* == True

- residuals – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- rank – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- singular\_values – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- rcond – value of *rcond*.

For more details, see [\*numpy.linalg.lstsq\*](#).

## Warns

### RankWarning

The rank of the coefficient matrix in the least-squares fit is deficient. The warning is only raised if `full == False`. The warnings can be turned off by

```
>>> import warnings
>>> warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
```

## See also:

[\*numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfit\*](#)  
[\*numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfit\*](#)  
[\*numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfit\*](#)  
[\*numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfit\*](#)  
[\*numpy.polynomial.hermite\\_e.hermefit\*](#)  
[\*hermval\*](#)

Evaluates a Hermite series.

[\*hermvander\*](#)

Vandermonde matrix of Hermite series.

[\*hermweight\*](#)

Hermite weight function

[\*numpy.linalg.lstsq\*](#)

Computes a least-squares fit from the matrix.

[\*scipy.interpolate.UnivariateSpline\*](#)

Computes spline fits.

## Notes

The solution is the coefficients of the Hermite series  $p$  that minimizes the sum of the weighted squared errors

$$E = \sum_j w_j^2 * |y_j - p(x_j)|^2,$$

where the  $w_j$  are the weights. This problem is solved by setting up the (typically) overdetermined matrix equation

$$V(x) * c = w * y,$$

where  $V$  is the weighted pseudo Vandermonde matrix of  $x$ ,  $c$  are the coefficients to be solved for,  $w$  are the weights,  $y$  are the observed values. This equation is then solved using the singular value decomposition of  $V$ .

If some of the singular values of  $V$  are so small that they are neglected, then a [RankWarning](#) will be issued. This means that the coefficient values may be poorly determined. Using a lower order fit will usually get rid of the warning. The `rcond` parameter can also be set to a value smaller than its default, but the resulting fit may be spurious and have large contributions from roundoff error.

Fits using Hermite series are probably most useful when the data can be approximated by `sqrt(w(x)) * p(x)`, where  $w(x)$  is the Hermite weight. In that case the weight `sqrt(w(x[i]))` should be used together with data values  $y[i]/sqrt(w(x[i]))$ . The weight function is available as [`hermweight`](#).

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermfit, hermval
>>> x = np.linspace(-10, 10)
>>> err = np.random.randn(len(x))/10
>>> y = hermval(x, [1, 2, 3]) + err
>>> hermfit(x, y, 2)
array([1.0218, 1.9986, 2.9999]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermtrim(c, tol=0)`

Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.

“Small” means “small in absolute value” and is controlled by the parameter `tol`; “trailing” means highest order coefficient(s), e.g., in `[0, 1, 1, 0, 0]` (which represents  $0 + x + x^{**}2 + 0*x^{**}3 + 0*x^{**}4$ ) both the 3-rd and 4-th order coefficients would be “trimmed.”

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-d array of coefficients, ordered from lowest order to highest.

**tol**

[number, optional] Trailing (i.e., highest order) elements with absolute value less than or equal to `tol` (default value is zero) are removed.

### Returns

**trimmed**

[ndarray] 1-d array with trailing zeros removed. If the resulting series would be empty, a series containing a single zero is returned.

### Raises

**ValueError**

If `tol < 0`

**See also:**

**trimseq****Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,3,0,5,0,0))
array([0., 0., 3., 0., 5.])
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,1e-3,0,1e-5,0,0),1e-3) # item == tol is trimmed
array([0.])
>>> i = complex(0,1) # works for complex
>>> pu.trimcoef((3e-4,1e-3*(1-i),5e-4,2e-5*(1+i)), 1e-3)
array([0.0003+0.j, 0.001 -0.001j])
```

`polynomial.hermite.hermeline(off, scl)`

Hermite series whose graph is a straight line.

**Parameters**

`off, scl`

[scalars] The specified line is given by `off + scl*x`.

**Returns**

`y`

[ndarray] This module's representation of the Hermite series for `off + scl*x`.

**See also:**

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyline`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebline`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legline`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagline`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermeline`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import hermeline, hermval
>>> hermval(0,hermeline(3, 2))
3.0
>>> hermval(1,hermeline(3, 2))
5.0
```

`polynomial.hermite.herm2poly(c)`

Convert a Hermite series to a polynomial.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a Hermite series, ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest to highest degree.

**Parameters**

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the Hermite series coefficients, ordered from lowest order term to highest.

**Returns****pol**

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest order term to highest.

See also:

[\*poly2herm\*](#)

**Notes**

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import herm2poly
>>> herm2poly([ 1. , 2.75 , 0.5 , 0.375])
array([0., 1., 2., 3.])
```

`polynomial.hermite.poly2herm (pol)`

Convert a polynomial to a Hermite series.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent Hermite series, ordered from lowest to highest degree.

**Parameters****pol**

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the polynomial coefficients

**Returns****c**

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent Hermite series.

See also:

[\*herm2poly\*](#)

## Notes

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite import poly2herm
>>> poly2herm(np.arange(4))
array([1.     , 2.75  , 0.5   , 0.375])
```

## See also

`numpy.polynomial`

New in version 1.6.0.

## HermiteE Series, “Probabilists” (`numpy.polynomial.hermite_e`)

This module provides a number of objects (mostly functions) useful for dealing with Hermite<sub>E</sub> series, including a `HermiteE` class that encapsulates the usual arithmetic operations. (General information on how this module represents and works with such polynomials is in the docstring for its “parent” sub-package, `numpy.polynomial`).

## Classes

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<code>HermiteE(coef[, domain, window])</code>	An HermiteE series class.
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**class** `numpy.polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE(coef, domain=None, window=None)`

An HermiteE series class.

The HermiteE class provides the standard Python numerical methods ‘+’, ‘-’, ‘\*’, ‘//’, ‘%’, ‘divmod’, ‘\*\*’, and ‘()’ as well as the attributes and methods listed in the `ABCPolyBase` documentation.

### Parameters

#### coef

[array\_like] HermiteE coefficients in order of increasing degree, i.e., (1, 2, 3) gives  $1 \cdot \text{He}_0(x) + 2 \cdot \text{He}_1(x) + 3 \cdot \text{He}_2(x)$ .

#### domain

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Domain to use. The interval [domain[0], domain[1]] is mapped to the interval [window[0], window[1]] by shifting and scaling. The default value is [-1, 1].

#### window

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Window, see `domain` for its use. The default value is [-1, 1].

New in version 1.6.0.

## Methods

<code>__call__(arg)</code>	Call self as a function.
<code>basis(deg[, domain, window])</code>	Series basis polynomial of degree <i>deg</i> .
<code>cast(series[, domain, window])</code>	Convert series to series of this class.
<code>convert([domain, kind, window])</code>	Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.
<code>copy()</code>	Return a copy.
<code>cutdeg(deg)</code>	Truncate series to the given degree.
<code>degree()</code>	The degree of the series.
<code>deriv([m])</code>	Differentiate.
<code>fit(x, y, deg[, domain, rcond, full, w, window])</code>	Least squares fit to data.
<code>fromroots(roots[, domain, window])</code>	Return series instance that has the specified roots.
<code>has_samedomain(other)</code>	Check if coefficients match.
<code>has_samedomain(other)</code>	Check if domains match.
<code>has_sametype(other)</code>	Check if types match.
<code>has_samewindow(other)</code>	Check if windows match.
<code>identity([domain, window])</code>	Identity function.
<code>integ([m, k, lbnd])</code>	Integrate.
<code>linspace([n, domain])</code>	Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.
<code>mapparms()</code>	Return the mapping parameters.
<code>roots()</code>	Return the roots of the series polynomial.
<code>trim([tol])</code>	Remove trailing coefficients
<code>truncate(size)</code>	Truncate series to length <i>size</i> .

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.__call__(arg)`

Call self as a function.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.basis(deg, domain=None, window=None)`

Series basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

Returns the series representing the basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Parameters

#### deg

[int] Degree of the basis polynomial for the series. Must be  $\geq 0$ .

#### domain

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

#### window

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series with the coefficient of the *deg* term set to one and all others zero.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.cast` (*series*, *domain=None*, *window=None*)

Convert series to series of this class.

The *series* is expected to be an instance of some polynomial series of one of the types supported by the numpy.polynomial module, but could be some other class that supports the convert method.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****series**

[series] The series instance to be converted.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series of the same kind as the calling class and equal to *series* when evaluated.

**See also:**

**convert**

similar instance method

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.convert` (*domain=None*, *kind=None*, *window=None*)

Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.

**Parameters****domain**

[array\_like, optional] The domain of the converted series. If the value is None, the default domain of *kind* is used.

**kind**

[class, optional] The polynomial series type class to which the current instance should be converted. If kind is None, then the class of the current instance is used.

**window**

[array\_like, optional] The window of the converted series. If the value is None, the default window of *kind* is used.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] The returned class can be of different type than the current instance and/or have a different domain and/or different window.

**Notes**

Conversion between domains and class types can result in numerically ill defined series.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.copy()`

Return a copy.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Copy of self.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.cutdeg(deg)`

Truncate series to the given degree.

Reduce the degree of the series to *deg* by discarding the high order terms. If *deg* is greater than the current degree a copy of the current series is returned. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****deg**

[non-negative int] The series is reduced to degree *deg* by discarding the high order terms.  
The value of *deg* must be a non-negative integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with reduced degree.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.degree()`

The degree of the series.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Returns**

**degree**

[int] Degree of the series, one less than the number of coefficients.

method

```
polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.deriv(m=1)
```

Differentiate.

Return a series instance of that is the derivative of the current series.

**Parameters****m**

[non-negative int] Find the derivative of order *m*.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the derivative. The domain is the same as the domain of the differentiated series.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.fit(x, y, deg, domain=None, rcond=None, full=False, w=None, window=None)
```

Least squares fit to data.

Return a series instance that is the least squares fit to the data *y* sampled at *x*. The domain of the returned instance can be specified and this will often result in a superior fit with less chance of ill conditioning.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

**y**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] y-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

**deg**

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

**domain**

[{None, [beg, end], []}, optional] Domain to use for the returned series. If None, then a minimal domain that covers the points *x* is chosen. If [] the class domain is used. The default value was the class domain in NumPy 1.4 and None in later versions. The [] option was added in numpy 1.5.0.

**rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is len(*x*)\*eps, where eps is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight  $w[i]$  applies to the unsquared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products  $w[i]^*y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\sigma(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.0.

**window**

[{[beg, end]}, optional] Window to use for the returned series. The default value is the default class domain

New in version 1.6.0.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series that represents the least squares fit to the data and has the domain and window specified in the call. If the coefficients for the unscaled and unshifted basis polynomials are of interest, do `new_series.convert().coef`.

**[resid, rank, sv, rcond]**

[list] These values are only returned if `full == True`

- `resid` – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- `rank` – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `sv` – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `rcond` – value of `rcond`.

For more details, see [`linalg.lstsq`](#).

method

```
classmethod polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.fromroots(roots, domain=[], window=None)
```

Return series instance that has the specified roots.

Returns a series representing the product  $(x - r[0]) * (x - r[1]) * \dots * (x - r[n-1])$ , where  $r$  is a list of roots.

**Parameters****roots**

[array\_like] List of roots.

**domain**

[{[], None, array\_like}, optional] Domain for the resulting series. If None the domain is the interval from the smallest root to the largest. If [] the domain is the class domain. The default is [].

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] Window for the returned series. If None the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Series with the specified roots.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.has_samecoef(other)`

Check if coefficients match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `coef` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the coefficients are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.has_samedomain(other)`

Check if domains match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `domain` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the domains are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.has_sametype(other)`

Check if types match.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****other**

[object] Class instance.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if other is same class as self

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.has_samewindow(other)`

Check if windows match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the window attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the windows are the same, False otherwise.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.identity(domain=None, window=None)`

Identity function.

If p is the returned series, then  $p(x) == x$  for all values of x.

**Parameters****domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Series of representing the identity.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.integ(m=1, k=[], lbnd=None)`

Integrate.

Return a series instance that is the definite integral of the current series.

**Parameters**

**m**

[non-negative int] The number of integrations to perform.

**k**

[array\_like] Integration constants. The first constant is applied to the first integration, the second to the second, and so on. The list of values must less than or equal to *m* in length and any missing values are set to zero.

**lbnd**

[Scalar] The lower bound of the definite integral.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the integral. The domain is the same as the domain of the integrated series.

**method**

```
polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.linspace (n=100, domain=None)
```

Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.

Returns the x, y values at *n* linearly spaced points across the domain. Here y is the value of the polynomial at the points x. By default the domain is the same as that of the series instance. This method is intended mostly as a plotting aid.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****n**

[int, optional] Number of point pairs to return. The default value is 100.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If not None, the specified domain is used instead of that of the calling instance. It should be of the form [beg, end]. The default is None which case the class domain is used.

**Returns****x, y**

[ndarray] x is equal to linspace(self.domain[0], self.domain[1], n) and y is the series evaluated at element of x.

**method**

```
polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.mapparms ()
```

Return the mapping parameters.

The returned values define a linear map `off + scl*x` that is applied to the input arguments before the series is evaluated. The map depends on the `domain` and `window`; if the current `domain` is equal to the `window` the resulting map is the identity. If the coefficients of the series instance are to be used by themselves outside this class, then the linear function must be substituted for the `x` in the standard representation of the base polynomials.

**Returns****off, scl**

[float or complex] The mapping function is defined by  $\text{off} + \text{scl} * x$ .

**Notes**

If the current domain is the interval  $[l1, r1]$  and the window is  $[l2, r2]$ , then the linear mapping function  $L$  is defined by the equations:

$$\begin{aligned} L(l1) &= l2 \\ L(r1) &= r2 \end{aligned}$$

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.roots()`

Return the roots of the series polynomial.

Compute the roots for the series. Note that the accuracy of the roots decrease the further outside the domain they lie.

**Returns****roots**

[ndarray] Array containing the roots of the series.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.trim(tol=0)`

Remove trailing coefficients

Remove trailing coefficients until a coefficient is reached whose absolute value greater than  $tol$  or the beginning of the series is reached. If all the coefficients would be removed the series is set to  $[0]$ . A new series instance is returned with the new coefficients. The current instance remains unchanged.

**Parameters****tol**

[non-negative number.] All trailing coefficients less than  $tol$  will be removed.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with trimmed coefficients.

method

`polynomial.hermite_e.HermiteE.truncate(size)`

Truncate series to length  $size$ .

Reduce the series to length  $size$  by discarding the high degree terms. The value of  $size$  must be a positive integer. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

**Parameters**

**size**

[positive int] The series is reduced to length `size` by discarding the high degree terms. The value of `size` must be a positive integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with truncated coefficients.

**Constants**

<code>hermedomain</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>hermezzero</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>hermeone</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>hermex</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermedomain = array([-1, 1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters****(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)****shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**

**array**

Construct an array.

**zeros**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**empty**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**dtype**

Create a data-type.

**numpy.typing.NDArray**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

**T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array’s elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

**flat**

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See `ndarray.flat` for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array’s number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

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[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermezero = array([0])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

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(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

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**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**

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Construct an array.

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Create an array, each element of which is zero.

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Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

[\*\*dtype\*\*](#)

Create a data-type.

[\*\*numpy.typing.NDArray\*\*](#)

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

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>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

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[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

### real

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

### size

[int] Number of elements in the array.

### itemsize

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

### nbytes

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

### ndim

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

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`polynomial.hermite_e.hermeone = array([1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****`array`**

Construct an array.

**`zeros`**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**`empty`**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**`dtype`**

Create a data-type.

**`numpy.typing.NDArray`**

An ndarray alias `generic` w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is `None`, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
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**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is `None`:

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array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

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[int] Number of elements in the array.

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[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

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**shape**

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[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

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```
polynomial.hermite_e.hermex = array([0, 1])
```

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the [numpy](#) module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****[array](#)**

Construct an array.

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Create an array, each element of which is zero.

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Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**[dtype](#)**

Create a data-type.

**[numpy.typing.NDArray](#)**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2, 2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

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array([2, 3])
```

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[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

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### flags

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

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### imag

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

### real

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

### size

[int] Number of elements in the array.

### itemsize

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

### nbytes

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

### ndim

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

### shape

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

### strides

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

### ctypes

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its *base* (unless that array is also a view). The *base* array is where the array data is actually stored.

**Arithmetic**

<code>hermeadd(c1, c2)</code>	Add one Hermite series to another.
<code>hermesub(c1, c2)</code>	Subtract one Hermite series from another.
<code>hermemulx(c)</code>	Multiply a Hermite series by x.
<code>hermemul(c1, c2)</code>	Multiply one Hermite series by another.
<code>hermediv(c1, c2)</code>	Divide one Hermite series by another.
<code>hermepow(c, pow[, maxpower])</code>	Raise a Hermite series to a power.
<code>hermeval(x, c[, tensor])</code>	Evaluate an HermiteE series at points x.
<code>hermeval2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D HermiteE series at points (x, y).
<code>hermeval3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Hermite_e series at points (x, y, z).
<code>hermegrid2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D HermiteE series on the Cartesian product of x and y.
<code>hermegrid3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D HermiteE series on the Cartesian product of x, y, and z.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermeadd(c1, c2)`

Add one Hermite series to another.

Returns the sum of two Hermite series  $c1 + c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients ordered from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array representing the Hermite series of their sum.

**See also:**

`hermesub, hermemulx, hermemul, hermediv, hermepow`

**Notes**

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the sum of two Hermite series is a Hermite series (without having to “reproject” the result onto the basis set) so addition, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermeadd
>>> hermeadd([1, 2, 3], [1, 2, 3, 4])
array([2.,  4.,  6.,  4.])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermesub(c1, c2)`

Subtract one Hermite series from another.

Returns the difference of two Hermite series  $c1 - c2$ . The sequences of coefficients are from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Of Hermite series coefficients representing their difference.

See also:

[hermeadd](#), [hermemulx](#), [hermemul](#), [hermediv](#), [hermepow](#)

## Notes

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the difference of two Hermite series is a Hermite series (without having to “re-project” the result onto the basis set) so subtraction, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermesub
>>> hermesub([1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 2, 3])
array([0.,  0.,  0.,  4.])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermemulx(c)`

Multiply a Hermite series by x.

Multiply the Hermite series  $c$  by x, where x is the independent variable.

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array representing the result of the multiplication.

## Notes

The multiplication uses the recursion relationship for Hermite polynomials in the form

$$xP_i(x) = (P_{i+1}(x) + iP_{i-1}(x))$$

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermemulx
>>> hermemulx([1, 2, 3])
array([2.,  7.,  2.,  3.])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermemul(c1, c2)`

Multiply one Hermite series by another.

Returns the product of two Hermite series  $c1 * c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients, from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Of Hermite series coefficients representing their product.

See also:

`hermeadd, hermesub, hermemulx, hermediv, hermepow`

## Notes

In general, the (polynomial) product of two C-series results in terms that are not in the Hermite polynomial basis set. Thus, to express the product as a Hermite series, it is necessary to “reproject” the product onto said basis set, which may produce “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermemul
>>> hermemul([1, 2, 3], [0, 1, 2])
array([14.,  15.,  28.,   7.,   6.])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermediv(c1, c2)`

Divide one Hermite series by another.

Returns the quotient-with-remainder of two Hermite series  $c1 / c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****[quo, rem]**

[ndarrays] Of Hermite series coefficients representing the quotient and remainder.

**See also:**

[`hermeadd`](#), [`hermesub`](#), [`hermemulx`](#), [`hermemul`](#), [`hermepow`](#)

**Notes**

In general, the (polynomial) division of one Hermite series by another results in quotient and remainder terms that are not in the Hermite polynomial basis set. Thus, to express these results as a Hermite series, it is necessary to “reproject” the results onto the Hermite basis set, which may produce “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermediv
>>> hermediv([ 14.,  15.,  28.,  7.,  6.], [0, 1, 2])
(array([1., 2., 3.]), array([0.]))
>>> hermediv([ 15.,  17.,  28.,  7.,  6.], [0, 1, 2])
(array([1., 2., 3.]), array([1., 2.]))
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermepow(c, pow, maxpower=16)`

Raise a Hermite series to a power.

Returns the Hermite series  $c$  raised to the power  $pow$ . The argument  $c$  is a sequence of coefficients ordered from low to high. i.e.,  $[1,2,3]$  is the series  $P_0 + 2P_1 + 3P_2$ .

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Hermite series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**pow**

[integer] Power to which the series will be raised

**maxpower**

[integer, optional] Maximum power allowed. This is mainly to limit growth of the series to unmanageable size. Default is 16

**Returns****coef**

[ndarray] Hermite series of power.

**See also:**

`hermeadd`, `hermesub`, `hermemulx`, `hermemul`, `hermediv`

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermepow
>>> hermepow([1, 2, 3], 2)
array([23., 28., 46., 12., 9.])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermeval(x, c, tensor=True)`

Evaluate an HermiteE series at points `x`.

If `c` is of length  $n + 1$ , this function returns the value:

$$p(x) = c_0 * He_0(x) + c_1 * He_1(x) + \dots + c_n * He_n(x)$$

The parameter `x` is converted to an array only if it is a tuple or a list, otherwise it is treated as a scalar. In either case, either `x` or its elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of `c`.

If `c` is a 1-D array, then  $p(x)$  will have the same shape as `x`. If `c` is multidimensional, then the shape of the result depends on the value of `tensor`. If `tensor` is true the shape will be `c.shape[1:] + x.shape`. If `tensor` is false the shape will be `c.shape[1:]`. Note that scalars have shape `(,)`.

Trailing zeros in the coefficients will be used in the evaluation, so they should be avoided if efficiency is a concern.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like, compatible object] If `x` is a list or tuple, it is converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and treated as a scalar. In either case, `x` or its elements must support addition and multiplication with with themselves and with the elements of `c`.

#### c

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $n$  are contained in `c[n]`. If `c` is multidimensional the remaining indices enumerate multiple polynomials. In the two dimensional case the coefficients may be thought of as stored in the columns of `c`.

#### tensor

[boolean, optional] If True, the shape of the coefficient array is extended with ones on the right, one for each dimension of `x`. Scalars have dimension 0 for this action. The result is that every column of coefficients in `c` is evaluated for every element of `x`. If False, `x` is broadcast over the columns of `c` for the evaluation. This keyword is useful when `c` is multidimensional. The default value is True.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Returns

#### values

[ndarray, algebra\_like] The shape of the return value is described above.

See also:

`hermeval2d`, `hermegrid2d`, `hermeval3d`, `hermegrid3d`

## Notes

The evaluation uses Clenshaw recursion, aka synthetic division.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermeval
>>> coef = [1, 2, 3]
>>> hermeval(1, coef)
3.0
>>> hermeval([[1, 2], [3, 4]], coef)
array([[ 3., 14.],
       [31., 54.]])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermeval2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D HermiteE series at points (x, y).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * He_i(x) * He_j(y)$$

The parameters *x* and *y* are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either *x* and *y* or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of *c*.

If *c* is a 1-D array a one is implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be *c.shape[2:]* + *x.shape*.

### Parameters

#### **x, y**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points (*x*, *y*), where *x* and *y* must have the same shape. If *x* or *y* is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

#### **c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree *i,j* is contained in *c* [*i*, *j*]. If *c* has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

### Returns

#### **values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points formed with pairs of corresponding values from *x* and *y*.

See also:

`hermeval, hermegrid2d, hermeval3d, hermegrid3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermeval3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Hermite\_e series at points (x, y, z).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y, z) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * He_i(x) * He_j(y) * He_k(z)$$

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than 3 dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape$ .

## Parameters

### `x, y, z`

[array\_like, compatible object] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points  $(x, y, z)$ , where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  must have the same shape. If any of  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

### `c`

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j, k$  is contained in  $c[i, j, k]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than 3 the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

### `values`

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the multidimensional polynomial on points formed with triples of corresponding values from  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

See also:

[`hermeval`](#), [`hermeval2d`](#), [`hermegrid2d`](#), [`hermegrid3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermegrid2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D HermiteE series on the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * H_i(a) * H_j(b)$$

where the points  $(a, b)$  consist of all pairs formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$  and  $b$  from  $y$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension and  $y$  in the second.

The parameters  $x$  and  $y$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$  and  $y$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than two dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[2:] + x.shape$ .

### Parameters

#### **x, y**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ . If  $x$  or  $y$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

#### **c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i,j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

### Returns

#### **values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

See also:

[`hermeval`](#), [`hermeval2d`](#), [`hermeval3d`](#), [`hermagrid3d`](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermagrid3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D HermiteE series on the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b, c) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * He_i(a) * He_j(b) * He_k(c)$$

where the points  $(a, b, c)$  consist of all triples formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$ ,  $b$  from  $y$ , and  $c$  from  $z$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension,  $y$  in the second, and  $z$  in the third.

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than three dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape + y.shape + z.shape$ .

### Parameters

#### **x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ . If  $x$ , ‘ $y$ ’, or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn’t an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i,j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

**See also:**

[hermeval](#), [hermeval2d](#), [hermagrid2d](#), [hermeval3d](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

**Calculus**

<code>hermeder(c[, m, scl, axis])</code>	Differentiate a Hermite_e series.
<code>hermeint(c[, m, k, lbnd, scl, axis])</code>	Integrate a Hermite_e series.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermeder (c, m=1, scl=1, axis=0)`

Differentiate a Hermite\_e series.

Returns the series coefficients  $c$  differentiated  $m$  times along  $axis$ . At each iteration the result is multiplied by  $scl$  (the scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable). The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $1 * \text{He}_0 + 2 * \text{He}_1 + 3 * \text{He}_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1 * \text{He}_0(x) * \text{He}_0(y) + 1 * \text{He}_1(x) * \text{He}_0(y) + 2 * \text{He}_0(x) * \text{He}_1(y) + 2 * \text{He}_1(x) * \text{He}_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] Array of Hermite\_e series coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

**m**

[int, optional] Number of derivatives taken, must be non-negative. (Default: 1)

**scl**

[scalar, optional] Each differentiation is multiplied by  $scl$ . The end result is multiplication by  $scl^{*^m}$ . This is for use in a linear change of variable. (Default: 1)

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which the derivative is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****der**

[ndarray] Hermite series of the derivative.

**See also:**

[`hermeint`](#)

**Notes**

In general, the result of differentiating a Hermite series does not resemble the same operation on a power series. Thus the result of this function may be “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermeder
>>> hermeder([ 1.,  1.,  1.,  1.])
array([1.,  2.,  3.])
>>> hermeder([-0.25,  1.,  1./2.,  1./3.,  1./4.], m=2)
array([1.,  2.,  3.])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermeint(c, m=1, k=[], lbnd=0, scl=1, axis=0)`

Integrate a Hermite\_e series.

Returns the Hermite\_e series coefficients  $c$  integrated  $m$  times from  $lbnd$  along  $axis$ . At each iteration the resulting series is **multiplied** by  $scl$  and an integration constant,  $k$ , is added. The scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable. (“Buyer beware”: note that, depending on what one is doing, one may want  $scl$  to be the reciprocal of what one might expect; for more information, see the Notes section below.) The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $H_0 + 2*H_1 + 3*H_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*H_0(x)*H_0(y) + 1*H_1(x)*H_0(y) + 2*H_0(x)*H_1(y) + 2*H_1(x)*H_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] Array of Hermite\_e series coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

**m**

[int, optional] Order of integration, must be positive. (Default: 1)

**k**

[{[], list, scalar}, optional] Integration constant(s). The value of the first integral at  $lbnd$  is the first value in the list, the value of the second integral at  $lbnd$  is the second value, etc. If  $k == []$  (the default), all constants are set to zero. If  $m == 1$ , a single scalar can be given instead of a list.

**lbnd**

[scalar, optional] The lower bound of the integral. (Default: 0)

**scl**

[scalar, optional] Following each integration the result is *multiplied* by *scl* before the integration constant is added. (Default: 1)

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis over which the integral is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****S**

[ndarray] Hermite\_e series coefficients of the integral.

**Raises****ValueError**

If  $m < 0$ ,  $\text{len}(k) > m$ ,  $\text{np.ndim(lbnd)} \neq 0$ , or  $\text{np.ndim(scl)} \neq 0$ .

**See also:**

[hermeder](#)

**Notes**

Note that the result of each integration is *multiplied* by *scl*. Why is this important to note? Say one is making a linear change of variable  $u = ax + b$  in an integral relative to  $x$ . Then  $dx = du/a$ , so one will need to set *scl* equal to  $1/a$  - perhaps not what one would have first thought.

Also note that, in general, the result of integrating a C-series needs to be “reprojected” onto the C-series basis set. Thus, typically, the result of this function is “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermeint
>>> hermeint([1, 2, 3]) # integrate once, value 0 at 0.
array([1., 1., 1., 1.])
>>> hermeint([1, 2, 3], m=2) # integrate twice, value & deriv 0 at 0
array([-0.25, 1., 0.5, 0.33333333, 0.25]) # may vary
>>> hermeint([1, 2, 3], k=1) # integrate once, value 1 at 0.
array([2., 1., 1., 1.])
>>> hermeint([1, 2, 3], lbnd=-1) # integrate once, value 0 at -1
array([-1., 1., 1., 1.])
>>> hermeint([1, 2, 3], m=2, k=[1, 2], lbnd=-1)
array([1.83333333, 0., 0.5, 0.33333333, 0.25]) # may vary
```

## Misc Functions

<code>hermefromroots(roots)</code>	Generate a HermiteE series with given roots.
<code>hermeroots(c)</code>	Compute the roots of a HermiteE series.
<code>hermevander(x, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.
<code>hermevander2d(x, y, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<code>hermevander3d(x, y, z, deg)</code>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<code>hermegauss(deg)</code>	Gauss-HermiteE quadrature.
<code>hermeweight(x)</code>	Weight function of the Hermite_e polynomials.
<code>hermecompanion(c)</code>	Return the scaled companion matrix of c.
<code>hermefit(x, y, deg[, rcond, full, w])</code>	Least squares fit of Hermite series to data.
<code>hermetrim(c[, tol])</code>	Remove "small" "trailing" coefficients from a polynomial.
<code>hermeline(off, scl)</code>	Hermite series whose graph is a straight line.
<code>herme2poly(c)</code>	Convert a Hermite series to a polynomial.
<code>poly2herme(pol)</code>	Convert a polynomial to a Hermite series.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermefromroots(roots)`

Generate a HermiteE series with given roots.

The function returns the coefficients of the polynomial

$$p(x) = (x - r_0) * (x - r_1) * \dots * (x - r_n),$$

in HermiteE form, where the  $r_n$  are the roots specified in `roots`. If a zero has multiplicity n, then it must appear in `roots` n times. For instance, if 2 is a root of multiplicity three and 3 is a root of multiplicity 2, then `roots` looks something like [2, 2, 2, 3, 3]. The roots can appear in any order.

If the returned coefficients are `c`, then

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * He_1(x) + \dots + c_n * He_n(x)$$

The coefficient of the last term is not generally 1 for monic polynomials in HermiteE form.

### Parameters

#### roots

[array\_like] Sequence containing the roots.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] 1-D array of coefficients. If all roots are real then `out` is a real array, if some of the roots are complex, then `out` is complex even if all the coefficients in the result are real (see Examples below).

### See also:

`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfromroots`  
`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfromroots`

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermefromroots, hermeval
>>> coef = hermefromroots((-1, 0, 1))
>>> hermeval((-1, 0, 1), coef)
array([0., 0., 0.])
>>> coef = hermefromroots((-1j, 1j))
>>> hermeval((-1j, 1j), coef)
array([0.+0.j, 0.+0.j])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermroots(c)`

Compute the roots of a HermiteE series.

Return the roots (a.k.a. “zeros”) of the polynomial

$$p(x) = \sum_i c[i] * He_i(x).$$

### Parameters

**c**

[1-D array\_like] 1-D array of coefficients.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array of the roots of the series. If all the roots are real, then *out* is also real, otherwise it is complex.

See also:

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebroots`](#)

### Notes

The root estimates are obtained as the eigenvalues of the companion matrix. Roots far from the origin of the complex plane may have large errors due to the numerical instability of the series for such values. Roots with multiplicity greater than 1 will also show larger errors as the value of the series near such points is relatively insensitive to errors in the roots. Isolated roots near the origin can be improved by a few iterations of Newton’s method.

The HermiteE series basis polynomials aren’t powers of  $x$  so the results of this function may seem unintuitive.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermefromroots, hermefromroots
>>> coef = hermefromroots([-1, 0, 1])
>>> coef
array([0., 2., 0., 1.])
>>> hermefromroots(coef)
array([-1., 0., 1.]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermevander(x, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degree *deg* and sample points *x*. The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., i] = He_i(x),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq \text{deg}$ . The leading indices of *V* index the elements of *x* and the last index is the degree of the HermiteE polynomial.

If *c* is a 1-D array of coefficients of length *n* + 1 and *V* is the array *V* = `hermevander(x, n)`, then `np.dot(V, c)` and `hermeval(x, c)` are the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of HermiteE series of the same degree and sample points.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like] Array of points. The dtype is converted to float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. If *x* is scalar it is converted to a 1-D array.

#### deg

[int] Degree of the resulting matrix.

### Returns

#### vander

[ndarray] The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix. The shape of the returned matrix is *x.shape* + (*deg* + 1,), where The last index is the degree of the corresponding HermiteE polynomial. The dtype will be the same as the converted *x*.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermevander
>>> x = np.array([-1, 0, 1])
>>> hermevander(x, 3)
array([[ 1., -1.,  0.,  2.],
       [ 1.,  0., -1., -0.],
       [ 1.,  1.,  0., -2.]])
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermevander2d(x, y, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y)$ . The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (deg[1] + 1) * i + j] = He_i(x) * He_j(y),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq deg[0]$  and  $0 \leq j \leq deg[1]$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y)$  and the last index encodes the degrees of the HermiteE polynomials.

If  $V = \text{hermевандер2д}(x, y, [xdeg, ydeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 2-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{00}, c_{01}, c_{02} \dots, c_{10}, c_{11}, c_{12} \dots$$

and  $\text{np.dot}(V, c.flat)$  and  $\text{hermeval2d}(x, y, c)$  will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 2-D HermiteE series of the same degrees and sample points.

### Parameters

#### x, y

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

#### deg

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [x\_deg, y\_deg].

### Returns

#### vander2d

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.shape + (order,)$ , where  $order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1)$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$  and  $y$ .

### See also:

[hermевандер](#), [hermевандер3д](#), [hermeval2д](#), [hermeval3д](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermевандер3д(x, y, z, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y, z)$ . If  $l, m, n$  are the given degrees in  $x, y, z$ , then the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (m + 1)(n + 1)i + (n + 1)j + k] = He_i(x) * He_j(y) * He_k(z),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq l$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq m$ , and  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y, z)$  and the last index encodes the degrees of the HermiteE polynomials.

If  $V = \text{hermевандер3д}(x, y, z, [xdeg, ydeg, zdeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 3-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1, zdeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{000}, c_{001}, c_{002}, \dots, c_{010}, c_{011}, c_{012}, \dots$$

and `np.dot(V, c.flat)` and `hermeval3d(x, y, z, c)` will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 3-D HermiteE series of the same degrees and sample points.

### Parameters

#### x, y, z

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

#### deg

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [x\_deg, y\_deg, z\_deg].

### Returns

#### vander3d

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is `x.shape + (order, )`, where `order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1) * (deg[2] + 1)`. The dtype will be the same as the converted `x`, `y`, and `z`.

### See also:

[`hermevander`](#), [`hermevander3d`](#), [`hermeval2d`](#), [`hermeval3d`](#)

### Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

## polynomial.hermite\_e.**hermgauss**(deg)

Gauss-HermiteE quadrature.

Computes the sample points and weights for Gauss-HermiteE quadrature. These sample points and weights will correctly integrate polynomials of degree  $2 * \text{deg} - 1$  or less over the interval  $[-\infty, \infty]$  with the weight function  $f(x) = \exp(-x^2/2)$ .

### Parameters

#### deg

[int] Number of sample points and weights. It must be  $\geq 1$ .

### Returns

#### x

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the sample points.

#### y

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the weights.

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

The results have only been tested up to degree 100, higher degrees may be problematic. The weights are determined by using the fact that

$$w_k = c/(He'_n(x_k) * He_{n-1}(x_k))$$

where  $c$  is a constant independent of  $k$  and  $x_k$  is the  $k$ 'th root of  $He_n$ , and then scaling the results to get the right value when integrating 1.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermeweight(x)`

Weight function of the Hermite\_e polynomials.

The weight function is  $\exp(-x^2/2)$  and the interval of integration is  $[-\infty, \infty]$ . the HermiteE polynomials are orthogonal, but not normalized, with respect to this weight function.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] Values at which the weight function will be computed.

### Returns

**w**

[ndarray] The weight function at  $x$ .

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermecompanion(c)`

Return the scaled companion matrix of  $c$ .

The basis polynomials are scaled so that the companion matrix is symmetric when  $c$  is an HermiteE basis polynomial. This provides better eigenvalue estimates than the unscaled case and for basis polynomials the eigenvalues are guaranteed to be real if `numpy.linalg.eigvalsh` is used to obtain them.

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of HermiteE series coefficients ordered from low to high degree.

### Returns

**mat**

[ndarray] Scaled companion matrix of dimensions (deg, deg).

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermefit(x, y, deg, rcond=None, full=False, w=None)`

Least squares fit of Hermite series to data.

Return the coefficients of a HermiteE series of degree *deg* that is the least squares fit to the data values *y* given at points *x*. If *y* is 1-D the returned coefficients will also be 1-D. If *y* is 2-D multiple fits are done, one for each column of *y*, and the resulting coefficients are stored in the corresponding columns of a 2-D return. The fitted polynomial(s) are in the form

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * He_1(x) + \dots + c_n * He_n(x),$$

where *n* is *deg*.

## Parameters

### x

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*]).

### y

[array\_like, shape (M,) or (M, K)] y-coordinates of the sample points. Several data sets of sample points sharing the same x-coordinates can be fitted at once by passing in a 2D-array that contains one dataset per column.

### deg

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

### rcond

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is len(*x*)\*eps, where eps is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

### full

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

### w

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight *w*[*i*] applies to the un-squared residual *y*[*i*] - *y\_hat*[*i*] at *x*[*i*]. Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products *w*[*i*]\**y*[*i*] all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use *w*[*i*] = 1/sigma(*y*[*i*]). The default value is None.

## Returns

### coef

[ndarray, shape (M,) or (M, K)] Hermite coefficients ordered from low to high. If *y* was 2-D, the coefficients for the data in column *k* of *y* are in column *k*.

### [residuals, rank, singular\_values, rcond]

[list] These values are only returned if *full* == True

- residuals – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- rank – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- singular\_values – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- rcond – value of *rcond*.

For more details, see [`numpy.linalg.lstsq`](#).

## Warns

### RankWarning

The rank of the coefficient matrix in the least-squares fit is deficient. The warning is only raised if `full = False`. The warnings can be turned off by

```
>>> import warnings
>>> warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
```

## See also:

[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfit`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfit`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfit`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfit`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfit`](#)  
[`hermeval`](#)

Evaluates a Hermite series.

[`hermvander`](#)

pseudo Vandermonde matrix of Hermite series.

[`hermeweight`](#)

HermiteE weight function.

[`numpy.linalg.lstsq`](#)

Computes a least-squares fit from the matrix.

[`scipy.interpolate.UnivariateSpline`](#)

Computes spline fits.

## Notes

The solution is the coefficients of the HermiteE series  $p$  that minimizes the sum of the weighted squared errors

$$E = \sum_j w_j^2 * |y_j - p(x_j)|^2,$$

where the  $w_j$  are the weights. This problem is solved by setting up the (typically) overdetermined matrix equation

$$V(x) * c = w * y,$$

where  $V$  is the pseudo Vandermonde matrix of  $x$ , the elements of  $c$  are the coefficients to be solved for, and the elements of  $y$  are the observed values. This equation is then solved using the singular value decomposition of  $V$ .

If some of the singular values of  $V$  are so small that they are neglected, then a [RankWarning](#) will be issued. This means that the coefficient values may be poorly determined. Using a lower order fit will usually get rid of the warning. The `rcond` parameter can also be set to a value smaller than its default, but the resulting fit may be spurious and have large contributions from roundoff error.

Fits using HermiteE series are probably most useful when the data can be approximated by  $\sqrt{w(x)} * p(x)$ , where  $w(x)$  is the HermiteE weight. In that case the weight  $\sqrt{w(x[i])}$  should be used together with data values  $y[i]/\sqrt{w(x[i])}$ . The weight function is available as [`hermeweighting`](#).

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermefit, hermeval
>>> x = np.linspace(-10, 10)
>>> np.random.seed(123)
>>> err = np.random.randn(len(x))/10
>>> y = hermeval(x, [1, 2, 3]) + err
>>> hermefit(x, y, 2)
array([ 1.01690445,  1.99951418,  2.99948696]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.hermite_e.hermetrim(c, tol=0)`

Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.

“Small” means “small in absolute value” and is controlled by the parameter `tol`; “trailing” means highest order coefficient(s), e.g., in  $[0, 1, 1, 0, 0]$  (which represents  $0 + x + x^2 + 0*x^3 + 0*x^4$ ) both the 3-rd and 4-th order coefficients would be “trimmed.”

### Parameters

#### c

[array\_like] 1-d array of coefficients, ordered from lowest order to highest.

#### tol

[number, optional] Trailing (i.e., highest order) elements with absolute value less than or equal to `tol` (default value is zero) are removed.

### Returns

#### trimmed

[ndarray] 1-d array with trailing zeros removed. If the resulting series would be empty, a series containing a single zero is returned.

### Raises

#### ValueError

If `tol < 0`

See also:

[trimseq](#)

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,3,0,5,0,0))
array([0., 0., 3., 0., 5.])
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,1e-3,0,1e-5,0,0),1e-3) # item == tol is trimmed
array([0.])
>>> i = complex(0,1) # works for complex
>>> pu.trimcoef((3e-4,1e-3*(1-i),5e-4,2e-5*(1+i)), 1e-3)
array([0.0003+0.j, 0.001 -0.001j])
```

[polynomial.hermite\\_e.hermeline](#)(*off*, *scl*)

Hermite series whose graph is a straight line.

### Parameters

**off, scl**

[scalars] The specified line is given by *off* + *scl*\**x*.

### Returns

**y**

[ndarray] This module's representation of the Hermite series for *off* + *scl*\**x*.

See also:

[numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyline](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebline](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.legendre.legline](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagline](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermeline](#)

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermeline
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import hermeline, hermeval
>>> hermeval(0,hermeline(3, 2))
3.0
>>> hermeval(1,hermeline(3, 2))
5.0
```

[polynomial.hermite\\_e.hermef2poly](#)(*c*)

Convert a Hermite series to a polynomial.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a Hermite series, ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest to highest degree.

## Parameters

c

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the Hermite series coefficients, ordered from lowest order term to highest.

## Returns

pol

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest order term to highest.

See also:

[poly2herme](#)

## Notes

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import herme2poly
>>> herme2poly([-2., 10., -2., 3.])
array([0., 1., -2., 3.])
```

`numpy.polynomial.hermite_e.poly2herme(pol)`

Convert a polynomial to a Hermite series.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent Hermite series, ordered from lowest to highest degree.

## Parameters

pol

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the polynomial coefficients

## Returns

c

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent Hermite series.

See also:

[herme2poly](#)

## Notes

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.hermite_e import poly2herme
>>> poly2herme(np.arange(4))
array([ 2., 10.,  2.,  3.])
```

## See also

`numpy.polynomial`

New in version 1.6.0.

## Laguerre Series (`numpy.polynomial.laguerre`)

This module provides a number of objects (mostly functions) useful for dealing with Laguerre series, including a `Laguerre` class that encapsulates the usual arithmetic operations. (General information on how this module represents and works with such polynomials is in the docstring for its “parent” sub-package, `numpy.polynomial`).

## Classes

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<code>Laguerre(coef[, domain, window])</code>	A Laguerre series class.
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`class numpy.polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre(coef, domain=None, window=None)`

A Laguerre series class.

The Laguerre class provides the standard Python numerical methods ‘+’, ‘-’, ‘\*’, ‘//’, ‘%’, ‘divmod’, ‘\*\*’, and ‘()’ as well as the attributes and methods listed in the `ABCPolyBase` documentation.

### Parameters

#### coef

[array\_like] Laguerre coefficients in order of increasing degree, i.e, (1, 2, 3) gives  $1*L_0(x) + 2*L_1(x) + 3*L_2(x)$ .

#### domain

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Domain to use. The interval [domain[0], domain[1]] is mapped to the interval [window[0], window[1]] by shifting and scaling. The default value is [0, 1].

#### window

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Window, see `domain` for its use. The default value is [0, 1].

New in version 1.6.0.

## Methods

<code>__call__(arg)</code>	Call self as a function.
<code>basis(deg[, domain, window])</code>	Series basis polynomial of degree <i>deg</i> .
<code>cast(series[, domain, window])</code>	Convert series to series of this class.
<code>convert([domain, kind, window])</code>	Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.
<code>copy()</code>	Return a copy.
<code>cutdeg(deg)</code>	Truncate series to the given degree.
<code>degree()</code>	The degree of the series.
<code>deriv([m])</code>	Differentiate.
<code>fit(x, y, deg[, domain, rcond, full, w, window])</code>	Least squares fit to data.
<code>fromroots(roots[, domain, window])</code>	Return series instance that has the specified roots.
<code>has_samecoef(other)</code>	Check if coefficients match.
<code>has_samedomain(other)</code>	Check if domains match.
<code>has_sametype(other)</code>	Check if types match.
<code>has_samewindow(other)</code>	Check if windows match.
<code>identity([domain, window])</code>	Identity function.
<code>integ([m, k, lbnd])</code>	Integrate.
<code>linspace([n, domain])</code>	Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.
<code>mapparms()</code>	Return the mapping parameters.
<code>roots()</code>	Return the roots of the series polynomial.
<code>trim([tol])</code>	Remove trailing coefficients
<code>truncate(size)</code>	Truncate series to length <i>size</i> .

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.__call__(arg)`

Call self as a function.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.basis(deg, domain=None, window=None)`

Series basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

Returns the series representing the basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

New in version 1.7.0.

### Parameters

#### **deg**

[int] Degree of the basis polynomial for the series. Must be  $\geq 0$ .

#### **domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

#### **window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series with the coefficient of the *deg* term set to one and all others zero.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.cast` (*series*, *domain=None*, *window=None*)

Convert series to series of this class.

The *series* is expected to be an instance of some polynomial series of one of the types supported by the numpy.polynomial module, but could be some other class that supports the convert method.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****series**

[series] The series instance to be converted.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series of the same kind as the calling class and equal to *series* when evaluated.

**See also:**

**convert**

similar instance method

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.convert` (*domain=None*, *kind=None*, *window=None*)

Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.

**Parameters****domain**

[array\_like, optional] The domain of the converted series. If the value is None, the default domain of *kind* is used.

**kind**

[class, optional] The polynomial series type class to which the current instance should be converted. If kind is None, then the class of the current instance is used.

**window**

[array\_like, optional] The window of the converted series. If the value is None, the default window of *kind* is used.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] The returned class can be of different type than the current instance and/or have a different domain and/or different window.

**Notes**

Conversion between domains and class types can result in numerically ill defined series.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.copy()`

Return a copy.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Copy of self.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.cutdeg(deg)`

Truncate series to the given degree.

Reduce the degree of the series to *deg* by discarding the high order terms. If *deg* is greater than the current degree a copy of the current series is returned. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****deg**

[non-negative int] The series is reduced to degree *deg* by discarding the high order terms.  
The value of *deg* must be a non-negative integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with reduced degree.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.degree()`

The degree of the series.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Returns**

**degree**

[int] Degree of the series, one less than the number of coefficients.

method

```
polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.deriv(m=1)
```

Differentiate.

Return a series instance of that is the derivative of the current series.

**Parameters****m**

[non-negative int] Find the derivative of order *m*.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the derivative. The domain is the same as the domain of the differentiated series.

method

```
classmethod polynomial.laguerre.fit(x, y, deg, domain=None, rcond=None, full=False, w=None, window=None)
```

Least squares fit to data.

Return a series instance that is the least squares fit to the data *y* sampled at *x*. The domain of the returned instance can be specified and this will often result in a superior fit with less chance of ill conditioning.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

**y**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] y-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

**deg**

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

**domain**

[{None, [beg, end], []}, optional] Domain to use for the returned series. If None, then a minimal domain that covers the points *x* is chosen. If [] the class domain is used. The default value was the class domain in NumPy 1.4 and None in later versions. The [] option was added in numpy 1.5.0.

**rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is len(*x*)\*eps, where eps is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight  $w[i]$  applies to the unsquared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products  $w[i]^*y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\sigma(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.0.

**window**

[{[beg, end]}, optional] Window to use for the returned series. The default value is the default class domain

New in version 1.6.0.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series that represents the least squares fit to the data and has the domain and window specified in the call. If the coefficients for the unscaled and unshifted basis polynomials are of interest, do `new_series.convert().coef`.

**[resid, rank, sv, rcond]**

[list] These values are only returned if `full == True`

- `resid` – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- `rank` – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `sv` – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `rcond` – value of `rcond`.

For more details, see [`linalg.lstsq`](#).

**method****classmethod** `polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.fromroots(roots, domain=[], window=None)`

Return series instance that has the specified roots.

Returns a series representing the product  $(x - r[0]) * (x - r[1]) * \dots * (x - r[n-1])$ , where `r` is a list of roots.

**Parameters****roots**

[array\_like] List of roots.

**domain**

[{[], None, array\_like}, optional] Domain for the resulting series. If None the domain is the interval from the smallest root to the largest. If [] the domain is the class domain. The default is [].

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] Window for the returned series. If None the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Series with the specified roots.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.has_samecoef(other)`

Check if coefficients match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `coef` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the coefficients are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.has_samedomain(other)`

Check if domains match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `domain` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the domains are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.has_sametype(other)`

Check if types match.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****other**

[object] Class instance.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if other is same class as self

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.has_samewindow(other)`

Check if windows match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `window` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the windows are the same, False otherwise.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.identity(domain=None, window=None)`

Identity function.

If `p` is the returned series, then `p(x) == x` for all values of `x`.

**Parameters****domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Series of representing the identity.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.integ(m=1, k=[], lbnd=None)`

Integrate.

Return a series instance that is the definite integral of the current series.

**Parameters**

**m**

[non-negative int] The number of integrations to perform.

**k**

[array\_like] Integration constants. The first constant is applied to the first integration, the second to the second, and so on. The list of values must less than or equal to *m* in length and any missing values are set to zero.

**lbnd**

[Scalar] The lower bound of the definite integral.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the integral. The domain is the same as the domain of the integrated series.

**method**

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.linspace (n=100, domain=None)`

Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.

Returns the x, y values at *n* linearly spaced points across the domain. Here y is the value of the polynomial at the points x. By default the domain is the same as that of the series instance. This method is intended mostly as a plotting aid.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****n**

[int, optional] Number of point pairs to return. The default value is 100.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If not None, the specified domain is used instead of that of the calling instance. It should be of the form [beg, end]. The default is None which case the class domain is used.

**Returns****x, y**

[ndarray] x is equal to linspace(self.domain[0], self.domain[1], n) and y is the series evaluated at element of x.

**method**

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.mapparms ()`

Return the mapping parameters.

The returned values define a linear map `off + scl*x` that is applied to the input arguments before the series is evaluated. The map depends on the `domain` and `window`; if the current `domain` is equal to the `window` the resulting map is the identity. If the coefficients of the series instance are to be used by themselves outside this class, then the linear function must be substituted for the `x` in the standard representation of the base polynomials.

**Returns****off, scl**

[float or complex] The mapping function is defined by  $\text{off} + \text{scl} * x$ .

**Notes**

If the current domain is the interval  $[l_1, r_1]$  and the window is  $[l_2, r_2]$ , then the linear mapping function  $L$  is defined by the equations:

$$\begin{aligned} L(l_1) &= l_2 \\ L(r_1) &= r_2 \end{aligned}$$

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.roots()`

Return the roots of the series polynomial.

Compute the roots for the series. Note that the accuracy of the roots decrease the further outside the domain they lie.

**Returns****roots**

[ndarray] Array containing the roots of the series.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerre.trim(tol=0)`

Remove trailing coefficients

Remove trailing coefficients until a coefficient is reached whose absolute value greater than  $tol$  or the beginning of the series is reached. If all the coefficients would be removed the series is set to [0]. A new series instance is returned with the new coefficients. The current instance remains unchanged.

**Parameters****tol**

[non-negative number.] All trailing coefficients less than  $tol$  will be removed.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with trimmed coefficients.

method

`polynomial.laguerre.Laguerretruncate(size)`

Truncate series to length  $size$ .

Reduce the series to length  $size$  by discarding the high degree terms. The value of  $size$  must be a positive integer. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

**Parameters**

**size**

[positive int] The series is reduced to length `size` by discarding the high degree terms. The value of `size` must be a positive integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with truncated coefficients.

**Constants**

<code>lagdomain</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>lagzero</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>lagone</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>lagx</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.

```
polynomial.laguerre.lagdomain = array([0, 1])
```

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters****(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)****shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**

**array**

Construct an array.

**zeros**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**empty**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**dtype**

Create a data-type.

**numpy.typing.NDArray**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

**T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array’s elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

**flat**

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See `ndarray.flat` for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array’s number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

**polynomial.laguerre.lagzero = array([0])**

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

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For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**

[\*\*array\*\*](#)

Construct an array.

[\*\*zeros\*\*](#)

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

[\*\*empty\*\*](#)

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

[\*\*dtype\*\*](#)

Create a data-type.

[\*\*numpy.typing.NDArray\*\*](#)

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is `None`, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

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>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [      nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

### T

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

### data

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

### dtype

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

### flags

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

### flat

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See `ndarray.flat` for assignment examples; TODO).

### imag

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

### real

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

### size

[int] Number of elements in the array.

### itemsize

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

### nbytes

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

### ndim

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[`ctypes` object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with `ctypes`.

**base**

[`ndarray`] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagone = array([1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****`array`**

Construct an array.

**`zeros`**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**`empty`**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**`dtype`**

Create a data-type.

**`numpy.typing.NDArray`**

An ndarray alias `generic` w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is `None`, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is `None`:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

**Attributes****T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array’s elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

**flat**

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See [ndarray.flat](#) for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagx = array([ 1, -1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the [numpy](#) module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****[array](#)**

Construct an array.

**[zeros](#)**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**[empty](#)**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**[dtype](#)**

Create a data-type.

**[numpy.typing.NDArray](#)**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2, 2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

### T

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

### data

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

### dtype

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

### flags

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

### flat

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See [`ndarray.flat`](#) for assignment examples; TODO).

### imag

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

### real

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

### size

[int] Number of elements in the array.

### itemsize

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

### nbytes

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

### ndim

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

### shape

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

### strides

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

### ctypes

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its *base* (unless that array is also a view). The *base* array is where the array data is actually stored.

**Arithmetic**

<code>lagadd(c1, c2)</code>	Add one Laguerre series to another.
<code>lagsub(c1, c2)</code>	Subtract one Laguerre series from another.
<code>lagmulx(c)</code>	Multiply a Laguerre series by x.
<code>lagmul(c1, c2)</code>	Multiply one Laguerre series by another.
<code>lagdiv(c1, c2)</code>	Divide one Laguerre series by another.
<code>lagpow(c, pow[, maxpower])</code>	Raise a Laguerre series to a power.
<code>lagval(x, c[, tensor])</code>	Evaluate a Laguerre series at points x.
<code>lagval2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D Laguerre series at points (x, y).
<code>lagval3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Laguerre series at points (x, y, z).
<code>laggrid2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D Laguerre series on the Cartesian product of x and y.
<code>laggrid3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Laguerre series on the Cartesian product of x, y, and z.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagadd(c1, c2)`

Add one Laguerre series to another.

Returns the sum of two Laguerre series  $c1 + c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients ordered from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Laguerre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array representing the Laguerre series of their sum.

**See also:**

`lagsub, lagmulx, lagmul, lagdiv, lagpow`

**Notes**

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the sum of two Laguerre series is a Laguerre series (without having to “reproject” the result onto the basis set) so addition, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagadd
>>> lagadd([1, 2, 3], [1, 2, 3, 4])
array([2.,  4.,  6.,  4.])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagsub(c1, c2)`

Subtract one Laguerre series from another.

Returns the difference of two Laguerre series  $c1 - c2$ . The sequences of coefficients are from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Laguerre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Of Laguerre series coefficients representing their difference.

See also:

[`lagadd`](#), [`lagmulp`](#), [`lagmul`](#), [`lagdiv`](#), [`lagpow`](#)

## Notes

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the difference of two Laguerre series is a Laguerre series (without having to “reproject” the result onto the basis set) so subtraction, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagsub
>>> lagsub([1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 2, 3])
array([0.,  0.,  0.,  4.])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagmulp(c)`

Multiply a Laguerre series by x.

Multiply the Laguerre series  $c$  by  $x$ , where  $x$  is the independent variable.

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Laguerre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array representing the result of the multiplication.

**See also:**

`lagadd, lagsub, lagmul, lagdiv, lagpow`

## Notes

The multiplication uses the recursion relationship for Laguerre polynomials in the form

$$xP_i(x) = (-(i + 1) * P_{i+1}(x) + (2i + 1)P_i(x) - iP_{i-1}(x))$$

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagmulx
>>> lagmulx([1, 2, 3])
array([-1., -1., 11., -9.])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagmul(c1, c2)`

Multiply one Laguerre series by another.

Returns the product of two Laguerre series  $c1 * c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients, from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Laguerre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Of Laguerre series coefficients representing their product.

**See also:**

`lagadd, lagsub, lagmulx, lagdiv, lagpow`

## Notes

In general, the (polynomial) product of two C-series results in terms that are not in the Laguerre polynomial basis set. Thus, to express the product as a Laguerre series, it is necessary to “reproject” the product onto said basis set, which may produce “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagmul
>>> lagmul([1, 2, 3], [0, 1, 2])
array([-8., -13., -38., -51., -36.])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagdiv(c1, c2)`

Divide one Laguerre series by another.

Returns the quotient-with-remainder of two Laguerre series  $c1 / c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Laguerre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**[quo, rem]**

[ndarrays] Of Laguerre series coefficients representing the quotient and remainder.

See also:

[`lagadd`](#), [`lagsub`](#), [`lagmulp`](#), [`lagmul`](#), [`lagpow`](#)

## Notes

In general, the (polynomial) division of one Laguerre series by another results in quotient and remainder terms that are not in the Laguerre polynomial basis set. Thus, to express these results as a Laguerre series, it is necessary to “reproject” the results onto the Laguerre basis set, which may produce “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagdiv
>>> lagdiv([-8., -13., -38., -51., -36.], [0, 1, 2])
(array([1., 2., 3.]), array([0.]))
>>> lagdiv([-9., -12., -38., -51., -36.], [0, 1, 2])
(array([1., 2., 3.]), array([1., 1.]))
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagpow(c, pow, maxpower=16)`

Raise a Laguerre series to a power.

Returns the Laguerre series  $c$  raised to the power  $pow$ . The argument  $c$  is a sequence of coefficients ordered from low to high. i.e., [1,2,3] is the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Laguerre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**pow**

[integer] Power to which the series will be raised

**maxpower**

[integer, optional] Maximum power allowed. This is mainly to limit growth of the series to unmanageable size. Default is 16

**Returns****coef**

[ndarray] Laguerre series of power.

**See also:**

[`lagadd`](#), [`lagsub`](#), [`lagmulp`](#), [`lagmul`](#), [`lagdiv`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagpow
>>> lagpow([1, 2, 3], 2)
array([-14., -16., 56., -72., 54.])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagval(x, c, tensor=True)`

Evaluate a Laguerre series at points  $x$ .

If  $c$  is of length  $n + 1$ , this function returns the value:

$$p(x) = c_0 * L_0(x) + c_1 * L_1(x) + \dots + c_n * L_n(x)$$

The parameter  $x$  is converted to an array only if it is a tuple or a list, otherwise it is treated as a scalar. In either case, either  $x$  or its elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  is a 1-D array, then  $p(x)$  will have the same shape as  $x$ . If  $c$  is multidimensional, then the shape of the result depends on the value of  $tensor$ . If  $tensor$  is true the shape will be  $c.shape[1:] + x.shape$ . If  $tensor$  is false the shape will be  $c.shape[1:]$ . Note that scalars have shape (,).

Trailing zeros in the coefficients will be used in the evaluation, so they should be avoided if efficiency is a concern.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like, compatible object] If  $x$  is a list or tuple, it is converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and treated as a scalar. In either case,  $x$  or its elements must support addition and multiplication with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $n$  are contained in  $c[n]$ . If  $c$  is multidimensional the remaining indices enumerate multiple polynomials. In the two dimensional case the coefficients may be thought of as stored in the columns of  $c$ .

**tensor**

[boolean, optional] If True, the shape of the coefficient array is extended with ones on the right, one for each dimension of  $x$ . Scalars have dimension 0 for this action. The result is that every column of coefficients in  $c$  is evaluated for every element of  $x$ . If False,  $x$  is broadcast over the columns of  $c$  for the evaluation. This keyword is useful when  $c$  is multidimensional. The default value is True.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, algebra\_like] The shape of the return value is described above.

**See also:**

[`lagval2d`](#), [`laggrid2d`](#), [`lagval3d`](#), [`laggrid3d`](#)

**Notes**

The evaluation uses Clenshaw recursion, aka synthetic division.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagval
>>> coef = [1, 2, 3]
>>> lagval(1, coef)
-0.5
>>> lagval([[1, 2], [3, 4]], coef)
array([[-0.5, -4. ],
       [-4.5, -2. ]])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagval2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D Laguerre series at points ( $x, y$ ).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * L_i(x) * L_j(y)$$

The parameters  $x$  and  $y$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x$  and  $y$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  is a 1-D array a one is implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[2:] + x.shape$ .

**Parameters****x, y**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points  $(x, y)$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  must have the same shape. If  $x$  or  $y$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j$  is contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points formed with pairs of corresponding values from  $x$  and  $y$ .

**See also:**

[`lagval`](#), [`laggrid2d`](#), [`lagval3d`](#), [`laggrid3d`](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagval3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Laguerre series at points ( $x, y, z$ ).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y, z) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * L_i(x) * L_j(y) * L_k(z)$$

The parameters  $x, y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x, y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than 3 dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape$ .

**Parameters****x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible object] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points  $(x, y, z)$ , where  $x, y$ , and  $z$  must have the same shape. If any of  $x, y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j, k$  is contained in  $c[i, j, k]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than 3 the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the multidimensional polynomial on points formed with triples of corresponding values from  $x, y$ , and  $z$ .

**See also:**

`lagval`, `lagval2d`, `laggrid2d`, `laggrid3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.laguerre.laggrid2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D Laguerre series on the Cartesian product of `x` and `y`.

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * L_i(a) * L_j(b)$$

where the points  $(a, b)$  consist of all pairs formed by taking  $a$  from `x` and  $b$  from `y`. The resulting points form a grid with `x` in the first dimension and `y` in the second.

The parameters `x` and `y` are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either `x` and `y` or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of `c`.

If `c` has fewer than two dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be `c.shape[2:] + x.shape + y.shape`.

## Parameters

`x, y`

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of `x` and `y`. If `x` or `y` is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

`c`

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j$  is contained in `c[i, j]`. If `c` has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

`values`

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional Chebyshev series at points in the Cartesian product of `x` and `y`.

See also:

`lagval`, `lagval2d`, `lagval3d`, `laggrid3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.laguerre.laggrid3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Laguerre series on the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b, c) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * L_i(a) * L_j(b) * L_k(c)$$

where the points  $(a, b, c)$  consist of all triples formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$ ,  $b$  from  $y$ , and  $c$  from  $z$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension,  $y$  in the second, and  $z$  in the third.

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than three dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape + y.shape + z.shape$ .

## Parameters

**x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ . If  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i, j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

**values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

**See also:**

[`lagval`](#), [`lagval2d`](#), [`laggrid2d`](#), [`lagval3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

## Calculus

<code>lagder(c[, m, scl, axis])</code>	Differentiate a Laguerre series.
<code>lagint(c[, m, k, lbnd, scl, axis])</code>	Integrate a Laguerre series.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagder (c, m=1, scl=1, axis=0)`

Differentiate a Laguerre series.

Returns the Laguerre series coefficients  $c$  differentiated  $m$  times along  $axis$ . At each iteration the result is multiplied by  $scl$  (the scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable). The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $1*L_0 + 2*L_1 + 3*L_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*L_0(x)*L_0(y) + 1*L_1(x)*L_0(y) + 2*L_0(x)*L_1(y) + 2*L_1(x)*L_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

### Parameters

#### c

[array\_like] Array of Laguerre series coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

#### m

[int, optional] Number of derivatives taken, must be non-negative. (Default: 1)

#### scl

[scalar, optional] Each differentiation is multiplied by  $scl$ . The end result is multiplication by  $scl^{**m}$ . This is for use in a linear change of variable. (Default: 1)

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which the derivative is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

### Returns

#### der

[ndarray] Laguerre series of the derivative.

### See also:

`lagint`

### Notes

In general, the result of differentiating a Laguerre series does not resemble the same operation on a power series. Thus the result of this function may be “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagder
>>> lagder([1., 1., 1., -3.])
array([1., 2., 3.])
>>> lagder([1., 0., 0., -4., 3.], m=2)
array([1., 2., 3.])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagint(c, m=1, k=[], lbnd=0, scl=1, axis=0)`

Integrate a Laguerre series.

Returns the Laguerre series coefficients  $c$  integrated  $m$  times from  $lbnd$  along  $axis$ . At each iteration the resulting series is **multiplied** by  $scl$  and an integration constant,  $k$ , is added. The scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable. (“Buyer beware”: note that, depending on what one is doing, one may want  $scl$  to be the reciprocal of what one might expect; for more information, see the Notes section below.) The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $L_0 + 2*L_1 + 3*L_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*L_0(x)*L_0(y) + 1*L_1(x)*L_0(y) + 2*L_0(x)*L_1(y) + 2*L_1(x)*L_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

### Parameters

#### c

[array\_like] Array of Laguerre series coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

#### m

[int, optional] Order of integration, must be positive. (Default: 1)

#### k

[[], list, scalar], optional] Integration constant(s). The value of the first integral at  $lbnd$  is the first value in the list, the value of the second integral at  $lbnd$  is the second value, etc. If  $k == []$  (the default), all constants are set to zero. If  $m == 1$ , a single scalar can be given instead of a list.

#### lbnd

[scalar, optional] The lower bound of the integral. (Default: 0)

#### scl

[scalar, optional] Following each integration the result is *multiplied* by  $scl$  before the integration constant is added. (Default: 1)

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which the integral is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

### Returns

#### s

[ndarray] Laguerre series coefficients of the integral.

### Raises

**ValueError**

If  $m < 0$ ,  $\text{len}(k) > m$ ,  $\text{np.ndim}(\text{lbnd}) \neq 0$ , or  $\text{np.ndim}(\text{scl}) \neq 0$ .

**See also:**

[lagder](#)

**Notes**

Note that the result of each integration is *multiplied* by *scl*. Why is this important to note? Say one is making a linear change of variable  $u = ax + b$  in an integral relative to  $x$ . Then  $dx = du/a$ , so one will need to set *scl* equal to  $1/a$  - perhaps not what one would have first thought.

Also note that, in general, the result of integrating a C-series needs to be “reprojected” onto the C-series basis set. Thus, typically, the result of this function is “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagint
>>> lagint([1,2,3])
array([ 1.,  1.,  1., -3.])
>>> lagint([1,2,3], m=2)
array([ 1.,  0.,  0., -4.,  3.])
>>> lagint([1,2,3], k=1)
array([ 2.,  1.,  1., -3.])
>>> lagint([1,2,3], lbnd=-1)
array([11.5,  1.,  1., -3.])
>>> lagint([1,2], m=2, k=[1,2], lbnd=-1)
array([-11.16666667, -5.           , -3.           ,  2.           ]) # may vary
```

**Misc Functions**

<a href="#"><code>lagfromroots(roots)</code></a>	Generate a Laguerre series with given roots.
<a href="#"><code>lagroots(c)</code></a>	Compute the roots of a Laguerre series.
<a href="#"><code>lagvander(x, deg)</code></a>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.
<a href="#"><code>lagvander2d(x, y, deg)</code></a>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<a href="#"><code>lagvander3d(x, y, z, deg)</code></a>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<a href="#"><code>laggauss(deg)</code></a>	Gauss-Laguerre quadrature.
<a href="#"><code>lagweight(x)</code></a>	Weight function of the Laguerre polynomials.
<a href="#"><code>lagcompanion(c)</code></a>	Return the companion matrix of c.
<a href="#"><code>lagfit(x, y, deg[, rcond, full, w])</code></a>	Least squares fit of Laguerre series to data.
<a href="#"><code>lagtrim(c[, tol])</code></a>	Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.
<a href="#"><code>lagline(off, scl)</code></a>	Laguerre series whose graph is a straight line.
<a href="#"><code>lag2poly(c)</code></a>	Convert a Laguerre series to a polynomial.
<a href="#"><code>poly2lag(pol)</code></a>	Convert a polynomial to a Laguerre series.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagfromroots(roots)`

Generate a Laguerre series with given roots.

The function returns the coefficients of the polynomial

$$p(x) = (x - r_0) * (x - r_1) * \dots * (x - r_n),$$

in Laguerre form, where the  $r_n$  are the roots specified in `roots`. If a zero has multiplicity n, then it must appear in `roots` n times. For instance, if 2 is a root of multiplicity three and 3 is a root of multiplicity 2, then `roots` looks something like [2, 2, 2, 3, 3]. The roots can appear in any order.

If the returned coefficients are  $c$ , then

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * L_1(x) + \dots + c_n * L_n(x)$$

The coefficient of the last term is not generally 1 for monic polynomials in Laguerre form.

### Parameters

#### `roots`

[array\_like] Sequence containing the roots.

### Returns

#### `out`

[ndarray] 1-D array of coefficients. If all roots are real then `out` is a real array, if some of the roots are complex, then `out` is complex even if all the coefficients in the result are real (see Examples below).

See also:

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermefromroots`](#)

### Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagfromroots, lagval
>>> coef = lagfromroots((-1, 0, 1))
>>> lagval((-1, 0, 1), coef)
array([0., 0., 0.])
>>> coef = lagfromroots((-1j, 1j))
>>> lagval((-1j, 1j), coef)
array([0.+0.j, 0.+0.j])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagroots(c)`

Compute the roots of a Laguerre series.

Return the roots (a.k.a. “zeros”) of the polynomial

$$p(x) = \sum_i c[i] * L_i(x).$$

### Parameters

#### `c`

[1-D array\_like] 1-D array of coefficients.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] Array of the roots of the series. If all the roots are real, then *out* is also real, otherwise it is complex.

**See also:**

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermroots`](#)

**Notes**

The root estimates are obtained as the eigenvalues of the companion matrix, Roots far from the origin of the complex plane may have large errors due to the numerical instability of the series for such values. Roots with multiplicity greater than 1 will also show larger errors as the value of the series near such points is relatively insensitive to errors in the roots. Isolated roots near the origin can be improved by a few iterations of Newton's method.

The Laguerre series basis polynomials aren't powers of  $x$  so the results of this function may seem unintuitive.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagroots, lagfromroots
>>> coef = lagfromroots([0, 1, 2])
>>> coef
array([-2., -8., 12., -6.])
>>> lagroots(coef)
array([-4.4408921e-16, 1.0000000e+00, 2.0000000e+00])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagvander(x, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degree *deg* and sample points *x*. The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[\dots, i] = L_i(x)$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq \text{deg}$ . The leading indices of *V* index the elements of *x* and the last index is the degree of the Laguerre polynomial.

If *c* is a 1-D array of coefficients of length  $n + 1$  and *V* is the array *V* = `lagvander(x, n)`, then `np.dot(V, c)` and `lagval(x, c)` are the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of Laguerre series of the same degree and sample points.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Array of points. The dtype is converted to float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. If *x* is scalar it is converted to a 1-D array.

**deg**

[int] Degree of the resulting matrix.

**Returns****vander**

[ndarray] The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix. The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.shape + (deg + 1, )$ , where The last index is the degree of the corresponding Laguerre polynomial. The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$ .

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagvander
>>> x = np.array([0, 1, 2])
>>> lagvander(x, 3)
array([[ 1.        ,  1.        ,  1.        ,  1.        ],
       [ 1.        ,  0.        , -0.5      , -0.66666667],
       [ 1.        , -1.        , -1.        , -0.33333333]])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagvander2d(x, y, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y)$ . The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (deg[1] + 1) * i + j] = L_i(x) * L_j(y),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq deg[0]$  and  $0 \leq j \leq deg[1]$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y)$  and the last index encodes the degrees of the Laguerre polynomials.

If  $V = \text{lagvander2d}(x, y, [xdeg, ydeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 2-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{00}, c_{01}, c_{02} \dots, c_{10}, c_{11}, c_{12} \dots$$

and  $\text{np.dot}(V, c.flat)$  and  $\text{lagval2d}(x, y, c)$  will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 2-D Laguerre series of the same degrees and sample points.

**Parameters****x, y**

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

**deg**

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [x\_deg, y\_deg].

**Returns****vander2d**

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.shape + (order, )$ , where  $order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1)$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$  and  $y$ .

See also:

[lagvander](#), [lagvander3d](#), [lagval2d](#), [lagval3d](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagvander3d(x, y, z, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y, z)$ . If  $l, m, n$  are the given degrees in  $x, y, z$ , then The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[...,(m+1)(n+1)i + (n+1)j + k] = L_i(x) * L_j(y) * L_k(z),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq l$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq m$ , and  $0 \leq k \leq n$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y, z)$  and the last index encodes the degrees of the Laguerre polynomials.

If  $V = \text{lagvander3d}(x, y, z, [xdeg, ydeg, zdeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 3-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1, zdeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{000}, c_{001}, c_{002}, \dots, c_{010}, c_{011}, c_{012}, \dots$$

and  $\text{np.dot}(V, c.\text{flat})$  and  $\text{lagval3d}(x, y, z, c)$  will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 3-D Laguerre series of the same degrees and sample points.

## Parameters

### `x, y, z`

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

### `deg`

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [ $x\_deg, y\_deg, z\_deg$ ].

## Returns

### `vander3d`

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.\text{shape} + (\text{order},)$ , where  $\text{order} = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1) * (deg[2] + 1)$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x, y$ , and  $z$ .

See also:

[lagvander](#), [lagvander3d](#), [lagval2d](#), [lagval3d](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.laguerre.laggauss(deg)`

Gauss-Laguerre quadrature.

Computes the sample points and weights for Gauss-Laguerre quadrature. These sample points and weights will correctly integrate polynomials of degree  $2 * deg - 1$  or less over the interval  $[0, \inf]$  with the weight function  $f(x) = \exp(-x)$ .

### Parameters

`deg`

[int] Number of sample points and weights. It must be  $\geq 1$ .

### Returns

`x`

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the sample points.

`y`

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the weights.

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

The results have only been tested up to degree 100 higher degrees may be problematic. The weights are determined by using the fact that

$$w_k = c / (L'_n(x_k) * L_{n-1}(x_k))$$

where  $c$  is a constant independent of  $k$  and  $x_k$  is the  $k$ 'th root of  $L_n$ , and then scaling the results to get the right value when integrating 1.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagweight(x)`

Weight function of the Laguerre polynomials.

The weight function is  $\exp(-x)$  and the interval of integration is  $[0, \inf]$ . The Laguerre polynomials are orthogonal, but not normalized, with respect to this weight function.

### Parameters

`x`

[array\_like] Values at which the weight function will be computed.

### Returns

`w`

[ndarray] The weight function at  $x$ .

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagcompanion(c)`

Return the companion matrix of `c`.

The usual companion matrix of the Laguerre polynomials is already symmetric when `c` is a basis Laguerre polynomial, so no scaling is applied.

### Parameters

`c`

[array\_like] 1-D array of Laguerre series coefficients ordered from low to high degree.

### Returns

`mat`

[ndarray] Companion matrix of dimensions (deg, deg).

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.laguerre.lagfit(x, y, deg, rcond=None, full=False, w=None)`

Least squares fit of Laguerre series to data.

Return the coefficients of a Laguerre series of degree `deg` that is the least squares fit to the data values `y` given at points `x`. If `y` is 1-D the returned coefficients will also be 1-D. If `y` is 2-D multiple fits are done, one for each column of `y`, and the resulting coefficients are stored in the corresponding columns of a 2-D return. The fitted polynomial(s) are in the form

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * L_1(x) + \dots + c_n * L_n(x),$$

where `n` is `deg`.

### Parameters

`x`

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (`x[i], y[i]`).

`y`

[array\_like, shape (M,) or (M, K)] y-coordinates of the sample points. Several data sets of sample points sharing the same x-coordinates can be fitted at once by passing in a 2D-array that contains one dataset per column.

`deg`

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If `deg` is a single integer all terms up to and including the `deg`'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

`rcond`

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is `len(x)*eps`, where `eps` is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape ( $M,$ ), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight  $w[i]$  applies to the unsquared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products  $w[i]*y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\sigma(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

**Returns****coef**

[ndarray, shape ( $M,$ ) or ( $M, K$ )] Laguerre coefficients ordered from low to high. If  $y$  was 2-D, the coefficients for the data in column  $k$  of  $y$  are in column  $k$ .

**[residuals, rank, singular\_values, rcond]**

[list] These values are only returned if `full == True`

- residuals – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- rank – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- singular\_values – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- rcond – value of  $rcond$ .

For more details, see [numpy.linalg.lstsq](#).

**Warns****RankWarning**

The rank of the coefficient matrix in the least-squares fit is deficient. The warning is only raised if `full == False`. The warnings can be turned off by

```
>>> import warnings
>>> warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
```

**See also:**

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.legendre.legfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermefit`](#)

[`lagval`](#)

Evaluates a Laguerre series.

[`lagvander`](#)

pseudo Vandermonde matrix of Laguerre series.

**`lagweight`**

Laguerre weight function.

**`numpy.linalg.lstsq`**

Computes a least-squares fit from the matrix.

**`scipy.interpolate.UnivariateSpline`**

Computes spline fits.

**Notes**

The solution is the coefficients of the Laguerre series  $p$  that minimizes the sum of the weighted squared errors

$$E = \sum_j w_j^2 * |y_j - p(x_j)|^2,$$

where the  $w_j$  are the weights. This problem is solved by setting up as the (typically) overdetermined matrix equation

$$V(x) * c = w * y,$$

where  $V$  is the weighted pseudo Vandermonde matrix of  $x$ ,  $c$  are the coefficients to be solved for,  $w$  are the weights, and  $y$  are the observed values. This equation is then solved using the singular value decomposition of  $V$ .

If some of the singular values of  $V$  are so small that they are neglected, then a [RankWarning](#) will be issued. This means that the coefficient values may be poorly determined. Using a lower order fit will usually get rid of the warning. The `rcond` parameter can also be set to a value smaller than its default, but the resulting fit may be spurious and have large contributions from roundoff error.

Fits using Laguerre series are probably most useful when the data can be approximated by `sqrt(w(x)) * p(x)`, where  $w(x)$  is the Laguerre weight. In that case the weight `sqrt(w(x[i]))` should be used together with data values `y[i]/sqrt(w(x[i]))`. The weight function is available as `lagweight`.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagfit, lagval
>>> x = np.linspace(0, 10)
>>> err = np.random.randn(len(x))/10
>>> y = lagval(x, [1, 2, 3]) + err
>>> lagfit(x, y, 2)
array([ 0.96971004,  2.00193749,  3.00288744]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagtrim(c, tol=0)`

Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.

“Small” means “small in absolute value” and is controlled by the parameter `tol`; “trailing” means highest order coefficient(s), e.g., in `[0, 1, 1, 0, 0]` (which represents  $0 + x + x^{*2} + 0*x^{*3} + 0*x^{*4}$ ) both the 3-rd and 4-th order coefficients would be “trimmed.”

**Parameters**

**c**

[array\_like] 1-d array of coefficients, ordered from lowest order to highest.

**tol**

[number, optional] Trailing (i.e., highest order) elements with absolute value less than or equal to *tol* (default value is zero) are removed.

**Returns****trimmed**

[ndarray] 1-d array with trailing zeros removed. If the resulting series would be empty, a series containing a single zero is returned.

**Raises****ValueError**

If *tol* < 0

**See also:**

**trimseq**

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,3,0,5,0,0))
array([0., 0., 3., 0., 5.])
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,1e-3,0,1e-5,0,0),1e-3) # item == tol is trimmed
array([0.])
>>> i = complex(0,1) # works for complex
>>> pu.trimcoef((3e-4,1e-3*(1-i),5e-4,2e-5*(1+i)), 1e-3)
array([0.0003+0.j, 0.001 -0.001j])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lagline(off, scl)`

Laguerre series whose graph is a straight line.

**Parameters****off, scl**

[scalars] The specified line is given by *off* + *scl*\**x*.

**Returns****y**

[ndarray] This module's representation of the Laguerre series for *off* + *scl*\**x*.

**See also:**

[numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyline](#)

[numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebline](#)

```
numpy.polynomial.legendre.legline
numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermeline
numpy.polynomial.hermite_e.hermeline
```

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lagline, lagval
>>> lagval(0,lagline(3, 2))
3.0
>>> lagval(1,lagline(3, 2))
5.0
```

`polynomial.laguerre.lag2poly(c)`

Convert a Laguerre series to a polynomial.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a Laguerre series, ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest to highest degree.

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the Laguerre series coefficients, ordered from lowest order term to highest.

### Returns

**pol**

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest order term to highest.

See also:

`poly2lag`

## Notes

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import lag2poly
>>> lag2poly([ 23., -63.,  58., -18.])
array([0.,  1.,  2.,  3.])
```

`polynomial.laguerre.poly2lag(pol)`

Convert a polynomial to a Laguerre series.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent Laguerre series, ordered from lowest to highest degree.

**Parameters****pol**

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the polynomial coefficients

**Returns****c**

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent Laguerre series.

**See also:**

[`lag2poly`](#)

**Notes**

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial.laguerre import poly2lag
>>> poly2lag(np.arange(4))
array([ 23., -63.,  58., -18.])
```

**See also**

[numpy.polynomial](#)

New in version 1.6.0.

**Legendre Series (`numpy.polynomial.legendre`)**

This module provides a number of objects (mostly functions) useful for dealing with Legendre series, including a `Legendre` class that encapsulates the usual arithmetic operations. (General information on how this module represents and works with such polynomials is in the docstring for its “parent” sub-package, `numpy.polynomial`).

**Classes**


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`Legendre(coef[, domain, window])`

A Legendre series class.

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**class** `numpy.polynomial.legendre.Legendre(coef, domain=None, window=None)`

A Legendre series class.

The `Legendre` class provides the standard Python numerical methods ‘+’, ‘-’, ‘\*’, ‘//’, ‘%’, ‘divmod’, ‘\*\*’, and ‘()’ as well as the attributes and methods listed in the `ABCPolyBase` documentation.

**Parameters****coef**

[array\_like] Legendre coefficients in order of increasing degree, i.e., (1, 2, 3) gives  $1*P_0(x) + 2*P_1(x) + 3*P_2(x)$ .

**domain**

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Domain to use. The interval [domain[0], domain[1]] is mapped to the interval [window[0], window[1]] by shifting and scaling. The default value is [-1, 1].

**window**

[(2,) array\_like, optional] Window, see domain for its use. The default value is [-1, 1].

New in version 1.6.0.

**Methods**

<code>__call__(arg)</code>	Call self as a function.
<code>basis(deg[, domain, window])</code>	Series basis polynomial of degree <i>deg</i> .
<code>cast(series[, domain, window])</code>	Convert series to series of this class.
<code>convert([domain, kind, window])</code>	Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.
<code>copy()</code>	Return a copy.
<code>cutdeg(deg)</code>	Truncate series to the given degree.
<code>degree()</code>	The degree of the series.
<code>deriv([m])</code>	Differentiate.
<code>fit(x, y, deg[, domain, rcond, full, w, window])</code>	Least squares fit to data.
<code>fromroots(roots[, domain, window])</code>	Return series instance that has the specified roots.
<code>has_samecoef(other)</code>	Check if coefficients match.
<code>has_samedomain(other)</code>	Check if domains match.
<code>has_sametype(other)</code>	Check if types match.
<code>has_samewindow(other)</code>	Check if windows match.
<code>identity([domain, window])</code>	Identity function.
<code>integ([m, k, lbnd])</code>	Integrate.
<code>linspace([n, domain])</code>	Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.
<code>mapparms()</code>	Return the mapping parameters.
<code>roots()</code>	Return the roots of the series polynomial.
<code>trim([tol])</code>	Remove trailing coefficients
<code>truncate(size)</code>	Truncate series to length <i>size</i> .

## method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.__call__(arg)`

Call self as a function.

## method

**class****method** `polynomial.legendre.Legendre.basis(deg, domain=None, window=None)`

Series basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

Returns the series representing the basis polynomial of degree *deg*.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****deg**

[int] Degree of the basis polynomial for the series. Must be  $\geq 0$ .

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series with the coefficient of the *deg* term set to one and all others zero.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.legendre.Legendre.cast(series, domain=None, window=None)`

Convert series to series of this class.

The *series* is expected to be an instance of some polynomial series of one of the types supported by the numpy.polynomial module, but could be some other class that supports the convert method.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****series**

[series] The series instance to be converted.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series of the same kind as the calling class and equal to *series* when evaluated.

**See also:**

**`convert`**

similar instance method

method

```
polynomial.legendre.Legendre.convert(domain=None, kind=None, window=None)
```

Convert series to a different kind and/or domain and/or window.

### Parameters

#### domain

[array\_like, optional] The domain of the converted series. If the value is None, the default domain of *kind* is used.

#### kind

[class, optional] The polynomial series type class to which the current instance should be converted. If kind is None, then the class of the current instance is used.

#### window

[array\_like, optional] The window of the converted series. If the value is None, the default window of *kind* is used.

### Returns

#### new\_series

[series] The returned class can be of different type than the current instance and/or have a different domain and/or different window.

## Notes

Conversion between domains and class types can result in numerically ill defined series.

### method

```
polynomial.legendre.Legendre.copy()
```

Return a copy.

### Returns

#### new\_series

[series] Copy of self.

### method

```
polynomial.legendre.Legendre.cutdeg(deg)
```

Truncate series to the given degree.

Reduce the degree of the series to *deg* by discarding the high order terms. If *deg* is greater than the current degree a copy of the current series is returned. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

New in version 1.5.0.

### Parameters

#### deg

[non-negative int] The series is reduced to degree *deg* by discarding the high order terms. The value of *deg* must be a non-negative integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with reduced degree.

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.degree()`

The degree of the series.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Returns****degree**

[int] Degree of the series, one less than the number of coefficients.

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.deriv(m=1)`

Differentiate.

Return a series instance of that is the derivative of the current series.

**Parameters****m**

[non-negative int] Find the derivative of order *m*.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the derivative. The domain is the same as the domain of the differentiated series.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.legendre.fit(x, y, deg, domain=None, rcond=None, full=False, w=None, window=None)`

Least squares fit to data.

Return a series instance that is the least squares fit to the data *y* sampled at *x*. The domain of the returned instance can be specified and this will often result in a superior fit with less chance of ill conditioning.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

**y**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] y-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*] ).

**deg**

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions  $\geq 1.11.0$  a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

**domain**

[{None, [beg, end], []}, optional] Domain to use for the returned series. If None, then a minimal domain that covers the points *x* is chosen. If [] the class domain is used. The default value was the class domain in NumPy 1.4 and None in later versions. The [] option was added in numpy 1.5.0.

**rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is len(x)\*eps, where eps is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight *w*[*i*] applies to the unsquared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products *w*[*i*]\**y*[*i*] all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use *w*[*i*] = 1/sigma(*y*[*i*]). The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.0.

**window**

[{[beg, end]}, optional] Window to use for the returned series. The default value is the default class domain

New in version 1.6.0.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A series that represents the least squares fit to the data and has the domain and window specified in the call. If the coefficients for the unscaled and unshifted basis polynomials are of interest, do new\_series.convert().coef.

**[resid, rank, sv, rcond]**

[list] These values are only returned if full == True

- resid – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- rank – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- sv – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- rcond – value of *rcond*.

For more details, see [linalg.lstsq](#).

**method**

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**classmethod** `polynomial.legendre.Legendre.fromroots(roots, domain=[], window=None)`

Return series instance that has the specified roots.

Returns a series representing the product  $(x - r[0]) * (x - r[1]) * \dots * (x - r[n-1])$ , where  $r$  is a list of roots.

**Parameters****roots**

[array\_like] List of roots.

**domain**

[{[], None, array\_like}, optional] Domain for the resulting series. If None the domain is the interval from the smallest root to the largest. If [] the domain is the class domain. The default is [].

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] Window for the returned series. If None the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Series with the specified roots.

**method**

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.has_samecoef(other)`

Check if coefficients match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `coef` attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the coefficients are the same, False otherwise.

**method**

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.has_samedomain(other)`

Check if domains match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the `domain` attribute.

**Returns**

**bool**

[boolean] True if the domains are the same, False otherwise.

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.has_sametype(other)`

Check if types match.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****other**

[object] Class instance.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if other is same class as self

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.has_samewindow(other)`

Check if windows match.

New in version 1.6.0.

**Parameters****other**

[class instance] The other class must have the window attribute.

**Returns****bool**

[boolean] True if the windows are the same, False otherwise.

method

**classmethod** `polynomial.legendre.Legendre.identity(domain=None, window=None)`

Identity function.

If p is the returned series, then `p(x) == x` for all values of x.

**Parameters****domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the array must be of the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the domain. If None is given then the class domain is used. The default is None.

**window**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If given, the resulting array must be if the form [beg, end], where beg and end are the endpoints of the window. If None is given then the class window is used. The default is None.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] Series of representing the identity.

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.integ(m=1, k=[], lbnd=None)`

Integrate.

Return a series instance that is the definite integral of the current series.

**Parameters****m**

[non-negative int] The number of integrations to perform.

**k**

[array\_like] Integration constants. The first constant is applied to the first integration, the second to the second, and so on. The list of values must less than or equal to *m* in length and any missing values are set to zero.

**lbnd**

[Scalar] The lower bound of the definite integral.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] A new series representing the integral. The domain is the same as the domain of the integrated series.

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.linspace(n=100, domain=None)`

Return x, y values at equally spaced points in domain.

Returns the x, y values at *n* linearly spaced points across the domain. Here y is the value of the polynomial at the points x. By default the domain is the same as that of the series instance. This method is intended mostly as a plotting aid.

New in version 1.5.0.

**Parameters****n**

[int, optional] Number of point pairs to return. The default value is 100.

**domain**

[{None, array\_like}, optional] If not None, the specified domain is used instead of that of the calling instance. It should be of the form [beg, end]. The default is None which case the class domain is used.

**Returns**

**x, y**

[ndarray] x is equal to linspace(self.domain[0], self.domain[1], n) and y is the series evaluated at element of x.

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.mapparms()`

Return the mapping parameters.

The returned values define a linear map  $off + scl*x$  that is applied to the input arguments before the series is evaluated. The map depends on the domain and window; if the current domain is equal to the window the resulting map is the identity. If the coefficients of the series instance are to be used by themselves outside this class, then the linear function must be substituted for the x in the standard representation of the base polynomials.

**Returns****off, scl**

[float or complex] The mapping function is defined by  $off + scl*x$ .

**Notes**

If the current domain is the interval  $[l1, r1]$  and the window is  $[l2, r2]$ , then the linear mapping function L is defined by the equations:

$$\begin{aligned} L(l1) &= l2 \\ L(r1) &= r2 \end{aligned}$$

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.roots()`

Return the roots of the series polynomial.

Compute the roots for the series. Note that the accuracy of the roots decrease the further outside the domain they lie.

**Returns****roots**

[ndarray] Array containing the roots of the series.

method

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.trim(tol=0)`

Remove trailing coefficients

Remove trailing coefficients until a coefficient is reached whose absolute value greater than tol or the beginning of the series is reached. If all the coefficients would be removed the series is set to [0]. A new series instance is returned with the new coefficients. The current instance remains unchanged.

**Parameters****tol**

[non-negative number.] All trailing coefficients less than tol will be removed.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with trimmed coefficients.

**method**

`polynomial.legendre.Legendre.truncate(size)`

Truncate series to length `size`.

Reduce the series to length `size` by discarding the high degree terms. The value of `size` must be a positive integer. This can be useful in least squares where the coefficients of the high degree terms may be very small.

**Parameters****size**

[positive int] The series is reduced to length `size` by discarding the high degree terms. The value of `size` must be a positive integer.

**Returns****new\_series**

[series] New instance of series with truncated coefficients.

**Constants**

<code>legdomain</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>legzero</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>legone</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.
<code>legx</code>	An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items.

`polynomial.legendre.legdomain = array([-1, 1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:**[\*\*array\*\*](#)

Construct an array.

[\*\*zeros\*\*](#)

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

[\*\*empty\*\*](#)

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

[\*\*dtype\*\*](#)

Create a data-type.

[\*\*numpy.typing.NDArray\*\*](#)

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

**T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

**flat**

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See [`ndarray.flat`](#) for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its *base* (unless that array is also a view). The *base* array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.legendre.legzero = array([0])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****`array`**

Construct an array.

**`zeros`**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**`empty`**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**`dtype`**

Create a data-type.

**`numpy.typing.NDArray`**

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is None, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is None:

```
>>> np.ndarray(shape=(2,2), dtype=float, order='F')
array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

### T

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

### data

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

### dtype

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

### flags

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., 'C\_CONTIGUOUS', 'OWNDATA', 'WRITEABLE', etc.

### flat

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See `ndarray.flat` for assignment examples; TODO).

### imag

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

### real

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

### size

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.legendre.legone = array([1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

**Parameters**

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

**buffer**

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

**offset**

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

**strides**

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

**order**

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

**See also:****`array`**

Construct an array.

**`zeros`**

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

**`empty`**

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

**`dtype`**

Create a data-type.

**`numpy.typing.NDArray`**

An ndarray alias `generic` w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

**Notes**

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

1. If `buffer` is `None`, then only `shape`, `dtype`, and `order` are used.
2. If `buffer` is an object exposing the buffer interface, then all keywords are interpreted.

No `__init__` method is needed because the array is fully initialized after the `__new__` method.

**Examples**

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is `None`:

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array([[0.0e+000, 0.0e+000], # random
       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

**Attributes****T**

[ndarray] Transpose of the array.

**data**

[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

**dtype**

[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

**flags**

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., ‘C\_CONTIGUOUS’, ‘OWNDATA’, ‘WRITEABLE’, etc.

**flat**

[numpy.flatiter object] Flattened version of the array as an iterator. The iterator allows assignments, e.g., `x.flat = 3` (See [`ndarray.flat`](#) for assignment examples; TODO).

**imag**

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

**real**

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

**size**

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

**ctypes**

[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

`polynomial.legendre.legx = array([0, 1])`

An array object represents a multidimensional, homogeneous array of fixed-size items. An associated data-type object describes the format of each element in the array (its byte-order, how many bytes it occupies in memory, whether it is an integer, a floating point number, or something else, etc.)

Arrays should be constructed using `array`, `zeros` or `empty` (refer to the See Also section below). The parameters given here refer to a low-level method (`ndarray(...)`) for instantiating an array.

For more information, refer to the `numpy` module and examine the methods and attributes of an array.

### Parameters

(for the `__new__` method; see Notes below)

#### shape

[tuple of ints] Shape of created array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.

#### buffer

[object exposing buffer interface, optional] Used to fill the array with data.

#### offset

[int, optional] Offset of array data in buffer.

#### strides

[tuple of ints, optional] Strides of data in memory.

#### order

[{'C', 'F'}, optional] Row-major (C-style) or column-major (Fortran-style) order.

### See also:

#### `array`

Construct an array.

#### `zeros`

Create an array, each element of which is zero.

#### `empty`

Create an array, but leave its allocated memory unchanged (i.e., it contains “garbage”).

#### `dtype`

Create a data-type.

#### `numpy.typing.NDArray`

An ndarray alias generic w.r.t. its `dtype.type`.

## Notes

There are two modes of creating an array using `__new__`:

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## Examples

These examples illustrate the low-level `ndarray` constructor. Refer to the *See Also* section above for easier ways of constructing an ndarray.

First mode, `buffer` is `None`:

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       [nan, 2.5e-323]])
```

Second mode:

```
>>> np.ndarray((2,), buffer=np.array([1,2,3]),
...             offset=np.int_().itemsize,
...             dtype=int) # offset = 1*itemsize, i.e. skip first element
array([2, 3])
```

## Attributes

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[buffer] The array's elements, in memory.

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[dtype object] Describes the format of the elements in the array.

### flags

[dict] Dictionary containing information related to memory use, e.g., 'C\_CONTIGUOUS', 'OWNDATA', 'WRITEABLE', etc.

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### imag

[ndarray] Imaginary part of the array.

### real

[ndarray] Real part of the array.

### size

[int] Number of elements in the array.

**itemsize**

[int] The memory use of each array element in bytes.

**nbytes**

[int] The total number of bytes required to store the array data, i.e., `itemsize * size`.

**ndim**

[int] The array's number of dimensions.

**shape**

[tuple of ints] Shape of the array.

**strides**

[tuple of ints] The step-size required to move from one element to the next in memory. For example, a contiguous (3, 4) array of type `int16` in C-order has strides (8, 2). This implies that to move from element to element in memory requires jumps of 2 bytes. To move from row-to-row, one needs to jump 8 bytes at a time (2 \* 4).

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[ctypes object] Class containing properties of the array needed for interaction with ctypes.

**base**

[ndarray] If the array is a view into another array, that array is its `base` (unless that array is also a view). The `base` array is where the array data is actually stored.

## Arithmetic

<code>legadd(c1, c2)</code>	Add one Legendre series to another.
<code>legsub(c1, c2)</code>	Subtract one Legendre series from another.
<code>legmulx(c)</code>	Multiply a Legendre series by x.
<code>legmul(c1, c2)</code>	Multiply one Legendre series by another.
<code>legdiv(c1, c2)</code>	Divide one Legendre series by another.
<code>legpow(c, pow[, maxpower])</code>	Raise a Legendre series to a power.
<code>legval(x, c[, tensor])</code>	Evaluate a Legendre series at points x.
<code>legval2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D Legendre series at points (x, y).
<code>legval3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Legendre series at points (x, y, z).
<code>leggrid2d(x, y, c)</code>	Evaluate a 2-D Legendre series on the Cartesian product of x and y.
<code>leggrid3d(x, y, z, c)</code>	Evaluate a 3-D Legendre series on the Cartesian product of x, y, and z.

`polynomial.legendre.legadd(c1, c2)`

Add one Legendre series to another.

Returns the sum of two Legendre series  $c1 + c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients ordered from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Legendre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns**

**out**

[ndarray] Array representing the Legendre series of their sum.

See also:

[`legsub`](#), [`legmulp`](#), [`legmul`](#), [`legdiv`](#), [`legpow`](#)

## Notes

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the sum of two Legendre series is a Legendre series (without having to “reproject” the result onto the basis set) so addition, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import legendre as L
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2,1)
>>> L.legadd(c1,c2)
array([4.,  4.,  4.])
```

`polynomial.legendre.legsub(c1, c2)`

Subtract one Legendre series from another.

Returns the difference of two Legendre series  $c1 - c2$ . The sequences of coefficients are from lowest order term to highest, i.e., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2P_1 + 3P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Legendre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Of Legendre series coefficients representing their difference.

See also:

[`legadd`](#), [`legmulp`](#), [`legmul`](#), [`legdiv`](#), [`legpow`](#)

## Notes

Unlike multiplication, division, etc., the difference of two Legendre series is a Legendre series (without having to “reproject” the result onto the basis set) so subtraction, just like that of “standard” polynomials, is simply “component-wise.”

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import legendre as L
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2,1)
>>> L.legsub(c1,c2)
array([-2.,  0.,  2.])
>>> L.legsub(c2,c1) # -C.legsub(c1,c2)
array([ 2.,  0., -2.])
```

`polynomial.legendre.legmulp(c)`

Multiply a Legendre series by x.

Multiply the Legendre series  $c$  by x, where x is the independent variable.

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Legendre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Array representing the result of the multiplication.

See also:

`legadd, legmul, legdiv, legpow`

## Notes

The multiplication uses the recursion relationship for Legendre polynomials in the form

$$xP_i(x) = ((i + 1) * P_{i+1}(x) + i * P_{i-1}(x))/(2i + 1)$$

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import legendre as L
>>> L.legmulp([1,2,3])
array([ 0.66666667,  2.2,  1.33333333,  1.8]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.legendre.legmul(c1,c2)`

Multiply one Legendre series by another.

Returns the product of two Legendre series  $c1 * c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients, from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Legendre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Of Legendre series coefficients representing their product.

**See also:**

[`legadd`](#), [`legsub`](#), [`legmulp`](#), [`legdiv`](#), [`legpow`](#)

**Notes**

In general, the (polynomial) product of two C-series results in terms that are not in the Legendre polynomial basis set. Thus, to express the product as a Legendre series, it is necessary to “reproject” the product onto said basis set, which may produce “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import legendre as L
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2)
>>> L.legmul(c1,c2) # multiplication requires "reprojection"
array([-4.33333333, 10.4, 11.66666667, 3.6]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.legendre.legdiv(c1, c2)`

Divide one Legendre series by another.

Returns the quotient-with-remainder of two Legendre series  $c1 / c2$ . The arguments are sequences of coefficients from lowest order “term” to highest, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $P_0 + 2*P_1 + 3*P_2$ .

**Parameters****c1, c2**

[array\_like] 1-D arrays of Legendre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**Returns****quo, rem**

[ndarrays] Of Legendre series coefficients representing the quotient and remainder.

**See also:**

[`legadd`](#), [`legsub`](#), [`legmulp`](#), [`legmul`](#), [`legpow`](#)

**Notes**

In general, the (polynomial) division of one Legendre series by another results in quotient and remainder terms that are not in the Legendre polynomial basis set. Thus, to express these results as a Legendre series, it is necessary to “reproject” the results onto the Legendre basis set, which may produce “unintuitive” (but correct) results; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import legendre as L
>>> c1 = (1,2,3)
>>> c2 = (3,2,1)
>>> L.legdiv(c1,c2) # quotient "intuitive," remainder not
(array([3.]), array([-8., -4.]))
>>> c2 = (0,1,2,3)
>>> L.legdiv(c2,c1) # neither "intuitive"
(array([-0.07407407,  1.66666667]), array([-1.03703704, -2.51851852])) # may vary
```

`polynomial.legendre.legpow(c, pow, maxpower=16)`

Raise a Legendre series to a power.

Returns the Legendre series  $c$  raised to the power  $pow$ . The argument  $c$  is a sequence of coefficients ordered from low to high. i.e., [1,2,3] is the series  $P_0 + 2P_1 + 3P_2$ .

### Parameters

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Legendre series coefficients ordered from low to high.

**pow**

[integer] Power to which the series will be raised

**maxpower**

[integer, optional] Maximum power allowed. This is mainly to limit growth of the series to unmanageable size. Default is 16

### Returns

**coef**

[ndarray] Legendre series of power.

### See also:

`legadd, legsub, legmulx, legmul, legdiv`

`polynomial.legendre.legval(x, c, tensor=True)`

Evaluate a Legendre series at points  $x$ .

If  $c$  is of length  $n + 1$ , this function returns the value:

$$p(x) = c_0 * L_0(x) + c_1 * L_1(x) + \dots + c_n * L_n(x)$$

The parameter  $x$  is converted to an array only if it is a tuple or a list, otherwise it is treated as a scalar. In either case, either  $x$  or its elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  is a 1-D array, then  $p(x)$  will have the same shape as  $x$ . If  $c$  is multidimensional, then the shape of the result depends on the value of  $tensor$ . If  $tensor$  is true the shape will be  $c.shape[1:] + x.shape$ . If  $tensor$  is false the shape will be  $c.shape[1:]$ . Note that scalars have shape (,).

Trailing zeros in the coefficients will be used in the evaluation, so they should be avoided if efficiency is a concern.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like, compatible object] If  $x$  is a list or tuple, it is converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and treated as a scalar. In either case,  $x$  or its elements must support addition and multiplication with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $n$  are contained in  $c[n]$ . If  $c$  is multidimensional the remaining indices enumerate multiple polynomials. In the two dimensional case the coefficients may be thought of as stored in the columns of  $c$ .

**tensor**

[boolean, optional] If True, the shape of the coefficient array is extended with ones on the right, one for each dimension of  $x$ . Scalars have dimension 0 for this action. The result is that every column of coefficients in  $c$  is evaluated for every element of  $x$ . If False,  $x$  is broadcast over the columns of  $c$  for the evaluation. This keyword is useful when  $c$  is multidimensional. The default value is True.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, algebra\_like] The shape of the return value is described above.

**See also:**

[`legval2d`](#), [`leggrid2d`](#), [`legval3d`](#), [`leggrid3d`](#)

**Notes**

The evaluation uses Clenshaw recursion, aka synthetic division.

`polynomial.legendre.legval2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D Legendre series at points ( $x, y$ ).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * L_i(x) * L_j(y)$$

The parameters  $x$  and  $y$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x$  and  $y$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  is a 1-D array a one is implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[2:] + x.shape$ .

**Parameters****x, y**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points  $(x, y)$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  must have the same shape. If  $x$  or  $y$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j$  is contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional Legendre series at points formed from pairs of corresponding values from  $x$  and  $y$ .

**See also:**

[`legval`](#), [`leggrid2d`](#), [`legval3d`](#), [`leggrid3d`](#)

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.legendre.legval3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Legendre series at points ( $x, y, z$ ).

This function returns the values:

$$p(x, y, z) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * L_i(x) * L_j(y) * L_k(z)$$

The parameters  $x, y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars and they must have the same shape after conversion. In either case, either  $x, y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than 3 dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape$ .

**Parameters****x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible object] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points ( $x, y, z$ ), where  $x, y$ , and  $z$  must have the same shape. If any of  $x, y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and if it isn't an ndarray it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j, k$  is contained in  $c[i, j, k]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than 3 the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the multidimensional polynomial on points formed with triples of corresponding values from  $x, y$ , and  $z$ .

**See also:**

`legval`, `legval2d`, `leggrid2d`, `leggrid3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.legendre.leggrid2d(x, y, c)`

Evaluate a 2-D Legendre series on the Cartesian product of `x` and `y`.

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b) = \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} * L_i(a) * L_j(b)$$

where the points  $(a, b)$  consist of all pairs formed by taking  $a$  from `x` and  $b$  from `y`. The resulting points form a grid with `x` in the first dimension and `y` in the second.

The parameters `x` and `y` are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either `x` and `y` or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of `c`.

If `c` has fewer than two dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 2-D. The shape of the result will be `c.shape[2:] + x.shape + y.shape`.

## Parameters

`x, y`

[array\_like, compatible objects] The two dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of `x` and `y`. If `x` or `y` is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

`c`

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficient of the term of multi-degree  $i, j$  is contained in `c[i, j]`. If `c` has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

`values`

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional Chebyshev series at points in the Cartesian product of `x` and `y`.

See also:

`legval`, `legval2d`, `legval3d`, `leggrid3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.legendre.leggrid3d(x, y, z, c)`

Evaluate a 3-D Legendre series on the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

This function returns the values:

$$p(a, b, c) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k} * L_i(a) * L_j(b) * L_k(c)$$

where the points  $(a, b, c)$  consist of all triples formed by taking  $a$  from  $x$ ,  $b$  from  $y$ , and  $c$  from  $z$ . The resulting points form a grid with  $x$  in the first dimension,  $y$  in the second, and  $z$  in the third.

The parameters  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are converted to arrays only if they are tuples or a lists, otherwise they are treated as a scalars. In either case, either  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  or their elements must support multiplication and addition both with themselves and with the elements of  $c$ .

If  $c$  has fewer than three dimensions, ones are implicitly appended to its shape to make it 3-D. The shape of the result will be  $c.shape[3:] + x.shape + y.shape + z.shape$ .

## Parameters

**x, y, z**

[array\_like, compatible objects] The three dimensional series is evaluated at the points in the Cartesian product of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ . If  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$  is a list or tuple, it is first converted to an ndarray, otherwise it is left unchanged and, if it isn't an ndarray, it is treated as a scalar.

**c**

[array\_like] Array of coefficients ordered so that the coefficients for terms of degree  $i, j$  are contained in  $c[i, j]$ . If  $c$  has dimension greater than two the remaining indices enumerate multiple sets of coefficients.

## Returns

**values**

[ndarray, compatible object] The values of the two dimensional polynomial at points in the Cartesian product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

**See also:**

`legval`, `legval2d`, `leggrid2d`, `legval3d`

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

## Calculus

<code>legder(c[, m, scl, axis])</code>	Differentiate a Legendre series.
<code>legint(c[, m, k, lbnd, scl, axis])</code>	Integrate a Legendre series.

`polynomial.legendre.legder(c, m=1, scl=1, axis=0)`

Differentiate a Legendre series.

Returns the Legendre series coefficients  $c$  differentiated  $m$  times along  $axis$ . At each iteration the result is multiplied by  $scl$  (the scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable). The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $1*L_0 + 2*L_1 + 3*L_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*L_0(x)*L_0(y) + 1*L_1(x)*L_0(y) + 2*L_0(x)*L_1(y) + 2*L_1(x)*L_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

### Parameters

#### c

[array\_like] Array of Legendre series coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

#### m

[int, optional] Number of derivatives taken, must be non-negative. (Default: 1)

#### scl

[scalar, optional] Each differentiation is multiplied by  $scl$ . The end result is multiplication by  $scl^{**m}$ . This is for use in a linear change of variable. (Default: 1)

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which the derivative is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

### Returns

#### der

[ndarray] Legendre series of the derivative.

### See also:

`legint`

### Notes

In general, the result of differentiating a Legendre series does not resemble the same operation on a power series. Thus the result of this function may be “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import legendre as L
>>> c = (1,2,3,4)
>>> L.legder(c)
array([ 6.,   9.,  20.])
>>> L.legder(c, 3)
array([60.])
>>> L.legder(c, scl=-1)
array([-6., -9., -20.])
>>> L.legder(c, 2,-1)
array([ 9.,  60.])
```

`polynomial.legendre.legint(c, m=1, k=[], lbnd=0, scl=1, axis=0)`

Integrate a Legendre series.

Returns the Legendre series coefficients  $c$  integrated  $m$  times from  $lbnd$  along  $axis$ . At each iteration the resulting series is **multiplied** by  $scl$  and an integration constant,  $k$ , is added. The scaling factor is for use in a linear change of variable. (“Buyer beware”: note that, depending on what one is doing, one may want  $scl$  to be the reciprocal of what one might expect; for more information, see the Notes section below.) The argument  $c$  is an array of coefficients from low to high degree along each axis, e.g., [1,2,3] represents the series  $L_0 + 2*L_1 + 3*L_2$  while [[1,2],[1,2]] represents  $1*L_0(x)*L_0(y) + 1*L_1(x)*L_0(y) + 2*L_0(x)*L_1(y) + 2*L_1(x)*L_1(y)$  if  $axis=0$  is  $x$  and  $axis=1$  is  $y$ .

### Parameters

#### c

[array\_like] Array of Legendre series coefficients. If  $c$  is multidimensional the different axis correspond to different variables with the degree in each axis given by the corresponding index.

#### m

[int, optional] Order of integration, must be positive. (Default: 1)

#### k

[{[], list, scalar}, optional] Integration constant(s). The value of the first integral at  $lbnd$  is the first value in the list, the value of the second integral at  $lbnd$  is the second value, etc. If  $k == []$  (the default), all constants are set to zero. If  $m == 1$ , a single scalar can be given instead of a list.

#### lbnd

[scalar, optional] The lower bound of the integral. (Default: 0)

#### scl

[scalar, optional] Following each integration the result is *multiplied* by  $scl$  before the integration constant is added. (Default: 1)

#### axis

[int, optional] Axis over which the integral is taken. (Default: 0).

New in version 1.7.0.

### Returns

#### S

[ndarray] Legendre series coefficient array of the integral.

**Raises****ValueError**

If  $m < 0$ ,  $\text{len}(k) > m$ ,  $\text{np.ndim(lbnd)} \neq 0$ , or  $\text{np.ndim(scl)} \neq 0$ .

**See also:**

[legder](#)

**Notes**

Note that the result of each integration is *multiplied* by *scl*. Why is this important to note? Say one is making a linear change of variable  $u = ax + b$  in an integral relative to  $x$ . Then  $dx = du/a$ , so one will need to set *scl* equal to  $1/a$  - perhaps not what one would have first thought.

Also note that, in general, the result of integrating a C-series needs to be “reprojected” onto the C-series basis set. Thus, typically, the result of this function is “unintuitive,” albeit correct; see Examples section below.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import legendre as L
>>> c = (1,2,3)
>>> L.legint(c)
array([ 0.33333333,  0.4           ,  0.66666667,  0.6           ]) # may vary
>>> L.legint(c, 3)
array([ 1.66666667e-02, -1.78571429e-02,   4.76190476e-02, # may vary
       -1.73472348e-18,   1.90476190e-02,   9.52380952e-03])
>>> L.legint(c, k=3)
array([ 3.33333333,  0.4           ,  0.66666667,  0.6           ]) # may vary
>>> L.legint(c, lbnd=-2)
array([ 7.33333333,  0.4           ,  0.66666667,  0.6           ]) # may vary
>>> L.legint(c, scl=2)
array([ 0.66666667,  0.8           ,  1.33333333,  1.2           ]) # may vary
```

**Misc Functions**

<a href="#">legfromroots(roots)</a>	Generate a Legendre series with given roots.
<a href="#">legroots(c)</a>	Compute the roots of a Legendre series.
<a href="#">legvander(x, deg)</a>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.
<a href="#">legvander2d(x, y, deg)</a>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<a href="#">legvander3d(x, y, z, deg)</a>	Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.
<a href="#">leggauss(deg)</a>	Gauss-Legendre quadrature.
<a href="#">legweight(x)</a>	Weight function of the Legendre polynomials.
<a href="#">legcompanion(c)</a>	Return the scaled companion matrix of <i>c</i> .
<a href="#">legfit(x, y, deg[, rcond, full, w])</a>	Least squares fit of Legendre series to data.
<a href="#">legtrim(c[, tol])</a>	Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.
<a href="#">legline(off, scl)</a>	Legendre series whose graph is a straight line.
<a href="#">leg2poly(c)</a>	Convert a Legendre series to a polynomial.
<a href="#">poly2leg(pol)</a>	Convert a polynomial to a Legendre series.

`polynomial.legendre.legfromroots(roots)`

Generate a Legendre series with given roots.

The function returns the coefficients of the polynomial

$$p(x) = (x - r_0) * (x - r_1) * \dots * (x - r_n),$$

in Legendre form, where the  $r_n$  are the roots specified in `roots`. If a zero has multiplicity n, then it must appear in `roots` n times. For instance, if 2 is a root of multiplicity three and 3 is a root of multiplicity 2, then `roots` looks something like [2, 2, 2, 3, 3]. The roots can appear in any order.

If the returned coefficients are  $c$ , then

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * L_1(x) + \dots + c_n * L_n(x)$$

The coefficient of the last term is not generally 1 for monic polynomials in Legendre form.

### Parameters

#### roots

[array\_like] Sequence containing the roots.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray] 1-D array of coefficients. If all roots are real then `out` is a real array, if some of the roots are complex, then `out` is complex even if all the coefficients in the result are real (see Examples below).

See also:

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfromroots`](#)  
[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermefromroots`](#)

### Examples

```
>>> import numpy.polynomial.legendre as L
>>> L.legfromroots((-1,0,1)) # x^3 - x relative to the standard basis
array([ 0., -0.4,  0.,  0.4])
>>> j = complex(0,1)
>>> L.legfromroots((-j,j)) # x^2 + 1 relative to the standard basis
array([ 1.33333333+0.j,  0.00000000+0.j,  0.66666667+0.j]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.legendre.legroots(c)`

Compute the roots of a Legendre series.

Return the roots (a.k.a. “zeros”) of the polynomial

$$p(x) = \sum_i c[i] * L_i(x).$$

**Parameters****c**

[1-D array\_like] 1-D array of coefficients.

**Returns****out**[ndarray] Array of the roots of the series. If all the roots are real, then *out* is also real, otherwise it is complex.**See also:**

[numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyroots](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebroots](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagroots](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermroots](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.hermite\\_e.hermroots](#)

**Notes**

The root estimates are obtained as the eigenvalues of the companion matrix, Roots far from the origin of the complex plane may have large errors due to the numerical instability of the series for such values. Roots with multiplicity greater than 1 will also show larger errors as the value of the series near such points is relatively insensitive to errors in the roots. Isolated roots near the origin can be improved by a few iterations of Newton's method.

The Legendre series basis polynomials aren't powers of *x* so the results of this function may seem unintuitive.

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.polynomial.legendre as leg
>>> leg.legroots((1, 2, 3, 4)) # 4L_3 + 3L_2 + 2L_1 + 1L_0, all real roots
array([-0.85099543, -0.11407192,  0.51506735]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.legendre.legvander(x, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degree.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degree *deg* and sample points *x*. The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[\dots, i] = L_i(x)$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq \text{deg}$ . The leading indices of *V* index the elements of *x* and the last index is the degree of the Legendre polynomial.

If *c* is a 1-D array of coefficients of length *n* + 1 and *V* is the array *V* = `legvander(x, n)`, then `np.dot(V, c)` and `legval(x, c)` are the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of Legendre series of the same degree and sample points.

**Parameters**

**x**

[array\_like] Array of points. The dtype is converted to float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. If  $x$  is scalar it is converted to a 1-D array.

**deg**

[int] Degree of the resulting matrix.

**Returns****vander**

[ndarray] The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix. The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.shape + (deg + 1, )$ , where The last index is the degree of the corresponding Legendre polynomial. The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$ .

`polynomial.legendre.legvander2d(x, y, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y)$ . The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (deg[1] + 1) * i + j] = L_i(x) * L_j(y),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq deg[0]$  and  $0 \leq j \leq deg[1]$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y)$  and the last index encodes the degrees of the Legendre polynomials.

If  $V = \text{legvander2d}(x, y, [xdeg, ydeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 2-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{00}, c_{01}, c_{02} \dots, c_{10}, c_{11}, c_{12} \dots$$

and  $\text{np.dot}(V, c.flat)$  and  $\text{legval2d}(x, y, c)$  will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 2-D Legendre series of the same degrees and sample points.

**Parameters****x, y**

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

**deg**

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form  $[x\_deg, y\_deg]$ .

**Returns****vander2d**

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.shape + (order, )$ , where  $order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1)$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x$  and  $y$ .

**See also:**

[legvander](#), [legvander3d](#), [legval2d](#), [legval3d](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.legendre.legvander3d(x, y, z, deg)`

Pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of given degrees.

Returns the pseudo-Vandermonde matrix of degrees  $deg$  and sample points  $(x, y, z)$ . If  $l, m, n$  are the given degrees in  $x, y, z$ , then The pseudo-Vandermonde matrix is defined by

$$V[..., (m+1)(n+1)i + (n+1)j + k] = L_i(x) * L_j(y) * L_k(z),$$

where  $0 \leq i \leq l$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq m$ , and  $0 \leq k \leq n$ . The leading indices of  $V$  index the points  $(x, y, z)$  and the last index encodes the degrees of the Legendre polynomials.

If  $V = \text{legvander3d}(x, y, z, [xdeg, ydeg, zdeg])$ , then the columns of  $V$  correspond to the elements of a 3-D coefficient array  $c$  of shape  $(xdeg + 1, ydeg + 1, zdeg + 1)$  in the order

$$c_{000}, c_{001}, c_{002}, \dots, c_{010}, c_{011}, c_{012}, \dots$$

and  $\text{np.dot}(V, c.flat)$  and  $\text{legval3d}(x, y, z, c)$  will be the same up to roundoff. This equivalence is useful both for least squares fitting and for the evaluation of a large number of 3-D Legendre series of the same degrees and sample points.

## Parameters

### `x, y, z`

[array\_like] Arrays of point coordinates, all of the same shape. The dtypes will be converted to either float64 or complex128 depending on whether any of the elements are complex. Scalars are converted to 1-D arrays.

### `deg`

[list of ints] List of maximum degrees of the form [ $x\_deg, y\_deg, z\_deg$ ].

## Returns

### `vander3d`

[ndarray] The shape of the returned matrix is  $x.shape + (order, )$ , where  $order = (deg[0] + 1) * (deg[1] + 1) * (deg[2] + 1)$ . The dtype will be the same as the converted  $x, y$ , and  $z$ .

## See also:

[`legvander`](#), [`legvander3d`](#), [`legval2d`](#), [`legval3d`](#)

## Notes

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.legendre.leggauss(deg)`

Gauss-Legendre quadrature.

Computes the sample points and weights for Gauss-Legendre quadrature. These sample points and weights will correctly integrate polynomials of degree  $2 * deg - 1$  or less over the interval  $[-1, 1]$  with the weight function  $f(x) = 1$ .

**Parameters****deg**

[int] Number of sample points and weights. It must be  $\geq 1$ .

**Returns****x**

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the sample points.

**y**

[ndarray] 1-D ndarray containing the weights.

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

The results have only been tested up to degree 100, higher degrees may be problematic. The weights are determined by using the fact that

$$w_k = c / (L'_n(x_k) * L_{n-1}(x_k))$$

where  $c$  is a constant independent of  $k$  and  $x_k$  is the  $k$ 'th root of  $L_n$ , and then scaling the results to get the right value when integrating 1.

`polynomial.legendre.legweight(x)`

Weight function of the Legendre polynomials.

The weight function is 1 and the interval of integration is  $[-1, 1]$ . The Legendre polynomials are orthogonal, but not normalized, with respect to this weight function.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like] Values at which the weight function will be computed.

**Returns****w**

[ndarray] The weight function at  $x$ .

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.legendre.legcompanion(c)`

Return the scaled companion matrix of  $c$ .

The basis polynomials are scaled so that the companion matrix is symmetric when  $c$  is an Legendre basis polynomial. This provides better eigenvalue estimates than the unscaled case and for basis polynomials the eigenvalues are guaranteed to be real if `numpy.linalg.eigvals` is used to obtain them.

**Parameters**

**c**

[array\_like] 1-D array of Legendre series coefficients ordered from low to high degree.

**Returns****mat**

[ndarray] Scaled companion matrix of dimensions (deg, deg).

**Notes**

New in version 1.7.0.

`polynomial.legendre.legfit(x, y, deg, rcond=None, full=False, w=None)`

Least squares fit of Legendre series to data.

Return the coefficients of a Legendre series of degree *deg* that is the least squares fit to the data values *y* given at points *x*. If *y* is 1-D the returned coefficients will also be 1-D. If *y* is 2-D multiple fits are done, one for each column of *y*, and the resulting coefficients are stored in the corresponding columns of a 2-D return. The fitted polynomial(s) are in the form

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1 * L_1(x) + \dots + c_n * L_n(x),$$

where *n* is *deg*.

**Parameters****x**

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points (*x*[*i*], *y*[*i*]).

**y**

[array\_like, shape (M,) or (M, K)] y-coordinates of the sample points. Several data sets of sample points sharing the same x-coordinates can be fitted at once by passing in a 2D-array that contains one dataset per column.

**deg**

[int or 1-D array\_like] Degree(s) of the fitting polynomials. If *deg* is a single integer all terms up to and including the *deg*'th term are included in the fit. For NumPy versions >= 1.11.0 a list of integers specifying the degrees of the terms to include may be used instead.

**rcond**

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is `len(x)*eps`, where `eps` is the relative precision of the float type, about 2e-16 in most cases.

**full**

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight *w*[*i*] applies to the un-squared residual *y*[*i*] - *y\_hat*[*i*] at *x*[*i*]. Ideally the weights are chosen so that the

errors of the products  $w[i] * y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\text{sigma}(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.0.

## Returns

### `coef`

[ndarray, shape (M,) or (M, K)] Legendre coefficients ordered from low to high. If  $y$  was 2-D, the coefficients for the data in column  $k$  of  $y$  are in column  $k$ . If  $deg$  is specified as a list, coefficients for terms not included in the fit are set equal to zero in the returned `coef`.

### `[residuals, rank, singular_values, rcond]`

[list] These values are only returned if `full == True`

- `residuals` – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- `rank` – the numerical rank of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `singular_values` – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde matrix
- `rcond` – value of `rcond`.

For more details, see [`numpy.linalg.lstsq`](#).

## Warns

### `RankWarning`

The rank of the coefficient matrix in the least-squares fit is deficient. The warning is only raised if `full == False`. The warnings can be turned off by

```
>>> import warnings
>>> warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
```

## See also:

[`numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermfit`](#)

[`numpy.polynomial.hermite\_e.hermefit`](#)

[`legval`](#)

Evaluates a Legendre series.

[`legvander`](#)

Vandermonde matrix of Legendre series.

[`legweight`](#)

Legendre weight function (= 1).

[`numpy.linalg.lstsq`](#)

Computes a least-squares fit from the matrix.

**scipy.interpolate.UnivariateSpline**

Computes spline fits.

**Notes**

The solution is the coefficients of the Legendre series  $p$  that minimizes the sum of the weighted squared errors

$$E = \sum_j w_j^2 * |y_j - p(x_j)|^2,$$

where  $w_j$  are the weights. This problem is solved by setting up as the (typically) overdetermined matrix equation

$$V(x) * c = w * y,$$

where  $V$  is the weighted pseudo Vandermonde matrix of  $x$ ,  $c$  are the coefficients to be solved for,  $w$  are the weights, and  $y$  are the observed values. This equation is then solved using the singular value decomposition of  $V$ .

If some of the singular values of  $V$  are so small that they are neglected, then a [RankWarning](#) will be issued. This means that the coefficient values may be poorly determined. Using a lower order fit will usually get rid of the warning. The `rcond` parameter can also be set to a value smaller than its default, but the resulting fit may be spurious and have large contributions from roundoff error.

Fits using Legendre series are usually better conditioned than fits using power series, but much can depend on the distribution of the sample points and the smoothness of the data. If the quality of the fit is inadequate splines may be a good alternative.

**References**

[1]

**polynomial.legendre.legtrim(c, tol=0)**

Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.

“Small” means “small in absolute value” and is controlled by the parameter `tol`; “trailing” means highest order coefficient(s), e.g., in [0, 1, 1, 0, 0] (which represents  $0 + x + x^{**}2 + 0*x^{**}3 + 0*x^{**}4$ ) both the 3-rd and 4-th order coefficients would be “trimmed.”

**Parameters**

**c**

[array\_like] 1-d array of coefficients, ordered from lowest order to highest.

**tol**

[number, optional] Trailing (i.e., highest order) elements with absolute value less than or equal to `tol` (default value is zero) are removed.

**Returns**

**trimmed**

[ndarray] 1-d array with trailing zeros removed. If the resulting series would be empty, a series containing a single zero is returned.

**Raises**

**ValueError**

If  $tol < 0$

**See also:**

[trimseq](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,3,0,5,0,0))
array([0., 0., 3., 0., 5.])
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,1e-3,0,1e-5,0,0), 1e-3) # item == tol is trimmed
array([0.])
>>> i = complex(0,1) # works for complex
>>> pu.trimcoef((3e-4,1e-3*(1-i),5e-4,2e-5*(1+i)), 1e-3)
array([0.0003+0.j, 0.001 -0.001j])
```

`polynomial.legendre.legline(off, scl)`

Legendre series whose graph is a straight line.

**Parameters**

**off, scl**

[scalars] The specified line is given by  $off + scl \cdot x$ .

**Returns**

**y**

[ndarray] This module's representation of the Legendre series for  $off + scl \cdot x$ .

**See also:**

[numpy.polynomial.polynomial.polyline](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.chebyshev.chebline](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.laguerre.lagline](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.hermite.hermeline](#)  
[numpy.polynomial.hermite\\_e.hermeline](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> import numpy.polynomial.legendre as L
>>> L.legline(3,2)
array([3, 2])
>>> L.legval(-3, L.legline(3,2)) # should be -3
-3.0
```

**polynomial.legendre.leg2poly (c)**

Convert a Legendre series to a polynomial.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a Legendre series, ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest to highest degree.

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the Legendre series coefficients, ordered from lowest order term to highest.

**Returns****pol**

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest order term to highest.

**See also:**

*[poly2leg](#)*

**Notes**

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy import polynomial as P
>>> c = P.Legendre(range(4))
>>> c
Legendre([0., 1., 2., 3.], domain=[-1, 1], window=[-1, 1])
>>> p = c.convert(kind=P.Polynomial)
>>> p
Polynomial([-1. , -3.5,  3. ,  7.5], domain=[-1.,  1.], window=[-1.,  1.])
>>> P.legendre.leg2poly(range(4))
array([-1. , -3.5,  3. ,  7.5])
```

**polynomial.legendre.poly2leg (pol)**

Convert a polynomial to a Legendre series.

Convert an array representing the coefficients of a polynomial (relative to the “standard” basis) ordered from lowest degree to highest, to an array of the coefficients of the equivalent Legendre series, ordered from lowest to highest degree.

**Parameters****pol**

[array\_like] 1-D array containing the polynomial coefficients

**Returns**

**c**

[ndarray] 1-D array containing the coefficients of the equivalent Legendre series.

**See also:**

[leg2poly](#)

## Notes

The easy way to do conversions between polynomial basis sets is to use the convert method of a class instance.

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy import polynomial as P
>>> p = P.Polynomial(np.arange(4))
>>> p
Polynomial([0., 1., 2., 3.], domain=[-1, 1], window=[-1, 1])
>>> c = P.Legendre(P.legendre.poly2leg(p.coef))
>>> c
Legendre([ 1. ,  3.25,  1. ,  0.75], domain=[-1, 1], window=[-1, 1]) # may
->vary
```

## See also

[numpy.polynomial](#)

## Polyutils

Utility classes and functions for the polynomial modules.

This module provides: error and warning objects; a polynomial base class; and some routines used in both the *polynomial* and *chebyshev* modules.

### Warning objects

[\*RankWarning\*](#)

Issued by chebfit when the design matrix is rank deficient.

**exception** `polynomial.polyutils.RankWarning`

Issued by chebfit when the design matrix is rank deficient.

## Functions

<code>as_series(alist[, trim])</code>	Return argument as a list of 1-d arrays.
<code>trimseq(seq)</code>	Remove small Poly series coefficients.
<code>trimcoef(c[, tol])</code>	Remove "small" "trailing" coefficients from a polynomial.
<code>getdomain(x)</code>	Return a domain suitable for given abscissae.
<code>mapdomain(x, old, new)</code>	Apply linear map to input points.
<code>mapparms(old, new)</code>	Linear map parameters between domains.

`polynomial.polyutils.as_series(alist, trim=True)`

Return argument as a list of 1-d arrays.

The returned list contains array(s) of dtype double, complex double, or object. A 1-d argument of shape ( $N$ , ) is parsed into  $N$  arrays of size one; a 2-d argument of shape ( $M$ ,  $N$ ) is parsed into  $M$  arrays of size  $N$  (i.e., is “parsed by row”); and a higher dimensional array raises a ValueError if it is not first reshaped into either a 1-d or 2-d array.

### Parameters

#### alist

[array\_like] A 1- or 2-d array\_like

#### trim

[boolean, optional] When True, trailing zeros are removed from the inputs. When False, the inputs are passed through intact.

### Returns

#### [a1, a2,...]

[list of 1-D arrays] A copy of the input data as a list of 1-d arrays.

### Raises

#### ValueError

Raised when `as_series` cannot convert its input to 1-d arrays, or at least one of the resulting arrays is empty.

### Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> a = np.arange(4)
>>> pu.as_series(a)
[array([0.]), array([1.]), array([2.]), array([3.])]
>>> b = np.arange(6).reshape((2,3))
>>> pu.as_series(b)
[array([0., 1., 2.]), array([3., 4., 5.])]
```

```
>>> pu.as_series((1, np.arange(3), np.arange(2, dtype=np.float16)))
[array([1.]), array([0., 1., 2.]), array([0., 1.])]
```

```
>>> pu.as_series([2, [1.1, 0.]])
[array([2.]), array([1.1])]
```

```
>>> pu.as_series([2, [1.1, 0.]], trim=False)
[array([2.]), array([1.1, 0.])]
```

`polynomial.polyutils.trimseq(seq)`

Remove small Poly series coefficients.

### Parameters

**seq**

[sequence] Sequence of Poly series coefficients. This routine fails for empty sequences.

**Returns****series**

[sequence] Subsequence with trailing zeros removed. If the resulting sequence would be empty, return the first element. The returned sequence may or may not be a view.

**Notes**

Do not lose the type info if the sequence contains unknown objects.

`polynomial.polyutils.trimcoef(c, tol=0)`

Remove “small” “trailing” coefficients from a polynomial.

“Small” means “small in absolute value” and is controlled by the parameter *tol*; “trailing” means highest order coefficient(s), e.g., in [0, 1, 1, 0, 0] (which represents  $0 + x + x^{**}2 + 0*x^{**}3 + 0*x^{**}4$ ) both the 3-rd and 4-th order coefficients would be “trimmed.”

**Parameters****c**

[array\_like] 1-d array of coefficients, ordered from lowest order to highest.

**tol**

[number, optional] Trailing (i.e., highest order) elements with absolute value less than or equal to *tol* (default value is zero) are removed.

**Returns****trimmed**

[ndarray] 1-d array with trailing zeros removed. If the resulting series would be empty, a series containing a single zero is returned.

**Raises****ValueError**

If *tol* < 0

**See also:**

[`trimseq`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,3,0,5,0,0))
array([0., 0., 3., 0., 5.])
>>> pu.trimcoef((0,0,1e-3,0,1e-5,0,0),1e-3) # item == tol is trimmed
array([0.])
>>> i = complex(0,1) # works for complex
>>> pu.trimcoef((3e-4,1e-3*(1-i),5e-4,2e-5*(1+i)), 1e-3)
array([0.0003+0.j, 0.001 -0.001j])
```

`polynomial.polyutils.getdomain(x)`

Return a domain suitable for given abscissae.

Find a domain suitable for a polynomial or Chebyshev series defined at the values supplied.

### Parameters

`x`

[array\_like] 1-d array of abscissae whose domain will be determined.

### Returns

#### domain

[ndarray] 1-d array containing two values. If the inputs are complex, then the two returned points are the lower left and upper right corners of the smallest rectangle (aligned with the axes) in the complex plane containing the points  $x$ . If the inputs are real, then the two points are the ends of the smallest interval containing the points  $x$ .

See also:

`mapparms, mapdomain`

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> points = np.arange(4)**2 - 5; points
array([-5, -4, -1, 4])
>>> pu.getdomain(points)
array([-5., 4.])
>>> c = np.exp(complex(0,1)*np.pi*np.arange(12)/6) # unit circle
>>> pu.getdomain(c)
array([-1.-1.j, 1.+1.j])
```

`polynomial.polyutils.mapdomain(x, old, new)`

Apply linear map to input points.

The linear map  $\text{offset} + \text{scale} \cdot x$  that maps the domain  $old$  to the domain  $new$  is applied to the points  $x$ .

### Parameters

`x`

[array\_like] Points to be mapped. If  $x$  is a subtype of ndarray the subtype will be preserved.

**old, new**

[array\_like] The two domains that determine the map. Each must (successfully) convert to 1-d arrays containing precisely two values.

**Returns****x\_out**

[ndarray] Array of points of the same shape as  $x$ , after application of the linear map between the two domains.

**See also:**

[getdomain](#), [mapparms](#)

**Notes**

Effectively, this implements:

$$x_{\text{out}} = new[0] + m(x - old[0])$$

where

$$m = \frac{new[1] - new[0]}{old[1] - old[0]}$$

**Examples**

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> old_domain = (-1, 1)
>>> new_domain = (0, 2*np.pi)
>>> x = np.linspace(-1, 1, 6); x
array([-1. , -0.6, -0.2,  0.2,  0.6,  1. ])
>>> x_out = pu.mapdomain(x, old_domain, new_domain); x_out
array([ 0.          ,  1.25663706,  2.51327412,  3.76991118,  5.02654825, # may vary
       6.28318531])
>>> x - pu.mapdomain(x_out, new_domain, old_domain)
array([0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.])
```

Also works for complex numbers (and thus can be used to map any line in the complex plane to any other line therein).

```
>>> i = complex(0, 1)
>>> old = (-1 - i, 1 + i)
>>> new = (-1 + i, 1 - i)
>>> z = np.linspace(old[0], old[1], 6); z
array([-1. -1.j , -0.6-0.6j, -0.2-0.2j,  0.2+0.2j,  0.6+0.6j,  1. +1.j ])
>>> new_z = pu.mapdomain(z, old, new); new_z
array([-1.0+1.j , -0.6+0.6j, -0.2+0.2j,  0.2-0.2j,  0.6-0.6j,  1.0-1.j ]) # may vary
```

`polynomial.polyutils.mapparms(old, new)`

Linear map parameters between domains.

Return the parameters of the linear map  $\text{offset} + \text{scale} \cdot x$  that maps *old* to *new* such that  $\text{old}[i] \rightarrow \text{new}[i], i = 0, 1$ .

#### Parameters

**old, new**

[array\_like] Domains. Each domain must (successfully) convert to a 1-d array containing precisely two values.

#### Returns

**offset, scale**

[scalars] The map  $L(x) = \text{offset} + \text{scale} \cdot x$  maps the first domain to the second.

#### See also:

`getdomain, mapdomain`

#### Notes

Also works for complex numbers, and thus can be used to calculate the parameters required to map any line in the complex plane to any other line therein.

#### Examples

```
>>> from numpy.polynomial import polyutils as pu
>>> pu.mapparms((-1, 1), (-1, 1))
(0.0, 1.0)
>>> pu.mapparms((1, -1), (-1, 1))
(-0.0, -1.0)
>>> i = complex(0, 1)
>>> pu.mapparms((-i, -1), (1, i))
((1+1j), (1-0j))
```

## 5.21.3 Documentation for Legacy Polynomials

### Poly1d

#### Basics

<code>poly1d(c_or_r[, r, variable])</code>	A one-dimensional polynomial class.
<code>polyval(p, x)</code>	Evaluate a polynomial at specific values.
<code>poly(seq_of_zeros)</code>	Find the coefficients of a polynomial with the given sequence of roots.
<code>roots(p)</code>	Return the roots of a polynomial with coefficients given in p.

---

```
class numpy.poly1d(c_or_r, r=False, variable=None)
```

A one-dimensional polynomial class.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

A convenience class, used to encapsulate “natural” operations on polynomials so that said operations may take on their customary form in code (see Examples).

### Parameters

#### c\_or\_r

[array\_like] The polynomial’s coefficients, in decreasing powers, or if the value of the second parameter is True, the polynomial’s roots (values where the polynomial evaluates to 0). For example, `poly1d([1, 2, 3])` returns an object that represents  $x^2 + 2x + 3$ , whereas `poly1d([1, 2, 3], True)` returns one that represents  $(x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$ .

#### r

[bool, optional] If True, `c_or_r` specifies the polynomial’s roots; the default is False.

#### variable

[str, optional] Changes the variable used when printing  $p$  from `x` to `variable` (see Examples).

## Examples

Construct the polynomial  $x^2 + 2x + 3$ :

```
>>> p = np.poly1d([1, 2, 3])
>>> print(np.poly1d(p))
      2
1 x + 2 x + 3
```

Evaluate the polynomial at  $x = 0.5$ :

```
>>> p(0.5)
4.25
```

Find the roots:

```
>>> p.r
array([-1.+1.41421356j, -1.-1.41421356j])
>>> p(p.r)
array([-4.44089210e-16+0.j, -4.44089210e-16+0.j]) # may vary
```

These numbers in the previous line represent (0, 0) to machine precision

Show the coefficients:

```
>>> p.c
array([1, 2, 3])
```

Display the order (the leading zero-coefficients are removed):

```
>>> p.order
2
```

Show the coefficient of the k-th power in the polynomial (which is equivalent to `p.c[-(i+1)]`):

```
>>> p[1]
2
```

Polynomials can be added, subtracted, multiplied, and divided (returns quotient and remainder):

```
>>> p * p
poly1d([ 1,  4, 10, 12,  9])
```

```
>>> (p**3 + 4) / p
(poly1d([ 1.,  4., 10., 12.,  9.]), poly1d([4.]))
```

`asarray(p)` gives the coefficient array, so polynomials can be used in all functions that accept arrays:

```
>>> p**2 # square of polynomial
poly1d([ 1,  4, 10, 12,  9])
```

```
>>> np.square(p) # square of individual coefficients
array([1, 4, 9])
```

The variable used in the string representation of `p` can be modified, using the `variable` parameter:

```
>>> p = np.poly1d([1,2,3], variable='z')
>>> print(p)
      2
1 z + 2 z + 3
```

Construct a polynomial from its roots:

```
>>> np.poly1d([1, 2], True)
poly1d([ 1., -3.,  2.])
```

This is the same polynomial as obtained by:

```
>>> np.poly1d([1, -1]) * np.poly1d([1, -2])
poly1d([ 1, -3,  2])
```

## Attributes

### c

The polynomial coefficients

### coef

The polynomial coefficients

### coefficients

The polynomial coefficients

### coeffs

The polynomial coefficients

- 
- The order or degree of the polynomial
- order**
- The order or degree of the polynomial
- r**
- The roots of the polynomial, where `self(x) == 0`
- roots**
- The roots of the polynomial, where `self(x) == 0`
- variable**
- The name of the polynomial variable

## Methods

<code>__call__(val)</code>	Call self as a function.
<code>deriv([m])</code>	Return a derivative of this polynomial.
<code>integ([m, k])</code>	Return an antiderivative (indefinite integral) of this polynomial.

method

`poly1d.__call__(val)`

Call self as a function.

method

`poly1d.deriv(m=1)`

Return a derivative of this polynomial.

Refer to [polyder](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`polyder`](#)

equivalent function

method

`poly1d.integ(m=1, k=0)`

Return an antiderivative (indefinite integral) of this polynomial.

Refer to [`polyint`](#) for full documentation.

**See also:**

[`polyint`](#)

equivalent function

**numpy.polyval**(*p*, *x*)

Evaluate a polynomial at specific values.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

If *p* is of length N, this function returns the value:

$$p[0]*x^{N-1} + p[1]*x^{N-2} + \dots + p[N-2]*x + p[N-1]$$

If *x* is a sequence, then *p*(*x*) is returned for each element of *x*. If *x* is another polynomial then the composite polynomial *p*(*x*(*t*)) is returned.

**Parameters****p**

[array\_like or poly1d object] 1D array of polynomial coefficients (including coefficients equal to zero) from highest degree to the constant term, or an instance of poly1d.

**x**

[array\_like or poly1d object] A number, an array of numbers, or an instance of poly1d, at which to evaluate *p*.

**Returns****values**

[ndarray or poly1d] If *x* is a poly1d instance, the result is the composition of the two polynomials, i.e., *x* is “substituted” in *p* and the simplified result is returned. In addition, the type of *x* - array\_like or poly1d - governs the type of the output: *x* array\_like => *values* array\_like, *x* a poly1d object => *values* is also.

**See also:****[poly1d](#)**

A polynomial class.

**Notes**

Horner’s scheme [1] is used to evaluate the polynomial. Even so, for polynomials of high degree the values may be inaccurate due to rounding errors. Use carefully.

If *x* is a subtype of `ndarray` the return value will be of the same type.

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> np.polyval([3,0,1], 5)    # 3 * 5**2 + 0 * 5**1 + 1
76
>>> np.polyval([3,0,1], np.poly1d(5))
poly1d([76])
>>> np.polyval(np.poly1d([3,0,1]), 5)
76
>>> np.polyval(np.poly1d([3,0,1]), np.poly1d(5))
poly1d([76])
```

`numpy.poly`(*seq\_of\_zeros*)

Find the coefficients of a polynomial with the given sequence of roots.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

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Returns the coefficients of the polynomial whose leading coefficient is one for the given sequence of zeros (multiple roots must be included in the sequence as many times as their multiplicity; see Examples). A square matrix (or array, which will be treated as a matrix) can also be given, in which case the coefficients of the characteristic polynomial of the matrix are returned.

### Parameters

#### `seq_of_zeros`

[array\_like, shape (N,) or (N, N)] A sequence of polynomial roots, or a square array or matrix object.

### Returns

#### `c`

[ndarray] 1D array of polynomial coefficients from highest to lowest degree:

$c[0] * x^{*(N)} + c[1] * x^{*(N-1)} + \dots + c[N-1] * x + c[N]$   
where  $c[0]$  always equals 1.

### Raises

#### `ValueError`

If input is the wrong shape (the input must be a 1-D or square 2-D array).

### See also:

#### `polyval`

Compute polynomial values.

***roots***

Return the roots of a polynomial.

***polyfit***

Least squares polynomial fit.

***poly1d***

A one-dimensional polynomial class.

## Notes

Specifying the roots of a polynomial still leaves one degree of freedom, typically represented by an undetermined leading coefficient. [1] In the case of this function, that coefficient - the first one in the returned array - is always taken as one. (If for some reason you have one other point, the only automatic way presently to leverage that information is to use `polyfit`.)

The characteristic polynomial,  $p_a(t)$ , of an  $n$ -by- $n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is given by

$$p_a(t) = \det(t\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}),$$

where  $\mathbf{I}$  is the  $n$ -by- $n$  identity matrix. [2]

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Given a sequence of a polynomial's zeros:

```
>>> np.poly((0, 0, 0)) # Multiple root example
array([1., 0., 0., 0.])
```

The line above represents  $z^{*3} + 0*z^{*2} + 0*z + 0$ .

```
>>> np.poly((-1./2, 0, 1./2))
array([ 1. ,  0. , -0.25,  0. ])
```

The line above represents  $z^{*3} - z/4$

```
>>> np.poly((np.random.random(1)[0], 0, np.random.random(1)[0]))
array([ 1.          , -0.77086955,  0.08618131,  0.          ]) # random
```

Given a square array object:

```
>>> P = np.array([[0, 1./3], [-1./2, 0]])
>>> np.poly(P)
array([ 1.          ,  0.          ,  0.16666667])
```

Note how in all cases the leading coefficient is always 1.

**numpy.roots(*p*)**

Return the roots of a polynomial with coefficients given in *p*.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

The values in the rank-1 array *p* are coefficients of a polynomial. If the length of *p* is  $n+1$  then the polynomial is described by:

$$p[0] * x^{n-0} + p[1] * x^{n-1} + \dots + p[n-1] * x + p[n]$$

### Parameters

**p**

[array\_like] Rank-1 array of polynomial coefficients.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] An array containing the roots of the polynomial.

### Raises

**ValueError**

When *p* cannot be converted to a rank-1 array.

### See also:

**[poly](#)**

Find the coefficients of a polynomial with a given sequence of roots.

**[polyval](#)**

Compute polynomial values.

**[polyfit](#)**

Least squares polynomial fit.

**[poly1d](#)**

A one-dimensional polynomial class.

## Notes

The algorithm relies on computing the eigenvalues of the companion matrix [1].

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> coeff = [3.2, 2, 1]
>>> np.roots(coeff)
array([-0.3125+0.46351241j, -0.3125-0.46351241j])
```

## Fitting

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<code><a href="#">polyfit</a>(x, y, deg[, rcond, full, w, cov])</code>	Least squares polynomial fit.
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`numpy.polyfit(x, y, deg[, rcond=False, full=False, w=None, cov=False])`

Least squares polynomial fit.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

Fit a polynomial  $p(x) = p[0] * x^{**deg} + \dots + p[deg]$  of degree  $deg$  to points  $(x, y)$ . Returns a vector of coefficients  $p$  that minimises the squared error in the order  $deg, deg-1, \dots, 0$ .

The `Polynomial.fit` class method is recommended for new code as it is more stable numerically. See the documentation of the method for more information.

### Parameters

#### x

[array\_like, shape (M,)] x-coordinates of the M sample points ( $x[i], y[i]$ ).

#### y

[array\_like, shape (M,) or (M, K)] y-coordinates of the sample points. Several data sets of sample points sharing the same x-coordinates can be fitted at once by passing in a 2D-array that contains one dataset per column.

#### deg

[int] Degree of the fitting polynomial

#### rcond

[float, optional] Relative condition number of the fit. Singular values smaller than this relative to the largest singular value will be ignored. The default value is  $\text{len}(x)*\text{eps}$ , where  $\text{eps}$  is the relative precision of the float type, about  $2e-16$  in most cases.

#### full

[bool, optional] Switch determining nature of return value. When it is False (the default) just the coefficients are returned, when True diagnostic information from the singular value decomposition is also returned.

**w**

[array\_like, shape (M,), optional] Weights. If not None, the weight  $w[i]$  applies to the un-squared residual  $y[i] - y_{\text{hat}}[i]$  at  $x[i]$ . Ideally the weights are chosen so that the errors of the products  $w[i]*y[i]$  all have the same variance. When using inverse-variance weighting, use  $w[i] = 1/\sigma(y[i])$ . The default value is None.

**cov**

[bool or str, optional] If given and not *False*, return not just the estimate but also its covariance matrix. By default, the covariance are scaled by chi2/dof, where dof = M - (deg + 1), i.e., the weights are presumed to be unreliable except in a relative sense and everything is scaled such that the reduced chi2 is unity. This scaling is omitted if cov='unscaled', as is relevant for the case that the weights are  $w = 1/\sigma$ , with sigma known to be a reliable estimate of the uncertainty.

**Returns****p**

[ndarray, shape (deg + 1,) or (deg + 1, K)] Polynomial coefficients, highest power first. If  $y$  was 2-D, the coefficients for  $k$ -th data set are in  $p[:, k]$ .

**residuals, rank, singular\_values, rcond**

These values are only returned if `full == True`

- **residuals** – sum of squared residuals of the least squares fit
- **rank** – the effective rank of the scaled Vandermonde coefficient matrix
- **singular\_values** – singular values of the scaled Vandermonde coefficient matrix
- **rcond** – value of *rcond*.

For more details, see [`numpy.linalg.lstsq`](#).

**v**

[ndarray, shape (M,M) or (M,M,K)] Present only if `full == False` and `cov == True`. The covariance matrix of the polynomial coefficient estimates. The diagonal of this matrix are the variance estimates for each coefficient. If  $y$  is a 2-D array, then the covariance matrix for the  $k$ -th data set are in  $v[:, :, k]$

**Warns****RankWarning**

The rank of the coefficient matrix in the least-squares fit is deficient. The warning is only raised if `full == False`.

The warnings can be turned off by

```
>>> import warnings
>>> warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
```

See also:

[polyval](#)

Compute polynomial values.

[linalg.lstsq](#)

Computes a least-squares fit.

[scipy.interpolate.UnivariateSpline](#)

Computes spline fits.

## Notes

The solution minimizes the squared error

$$E = \sum_{j=0}^k |p(x_j) - y_j|^2$$

in the equations:

```
x[0]**n * p[0] + ... + x[0] * p[n-1] + p[n] = y[0]
x[1]**n * p[0] + ... + x[1] * p[n-1] + p[n] = y[1]
...
x[k]**n * p[0] + ... + x[k] * p[n-1] + p[n] = y[k]
```

The coefficient matrix of the coefficients  $p$  is a Vandermonde matrix.

[polyfit](#) issues a [RankWarning](#) when the least-squares fit is badly conditioned. This implies that the best fit is not well-defined due to numerical error. The results may be improved by lowering the polynomial degree or by replacing  $x$  by  $x - x.mean()$ . The  $rcond$  parameter can also be set to a value smaller than its default, but the resulting fit may be spurious: including contributions from the small singular values can add numerical noise to the result.

Note that fitting polynomial coefficients is inherently badly conditioned when the degree of the polynomial is large or the interval of sample points is badly centered. The quality of the fit should always be checked in these cases. When polynomial fits are not satisfactory, splines may be a good alternative.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> import warnings
>>> x = np.array([0.0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0])
>>> y = np.array([0.0, 0.8, 0.9, 0.1, -0.8, -1.0])
>>> z = np.polyfit(x, y, 3)
>>> z
array([ 0.08703704, -0.81349206,  1.69312169, -0.03968254]) # may vary
```

It is convenient to use [poly1d](#) objects for dealing with polynomials:

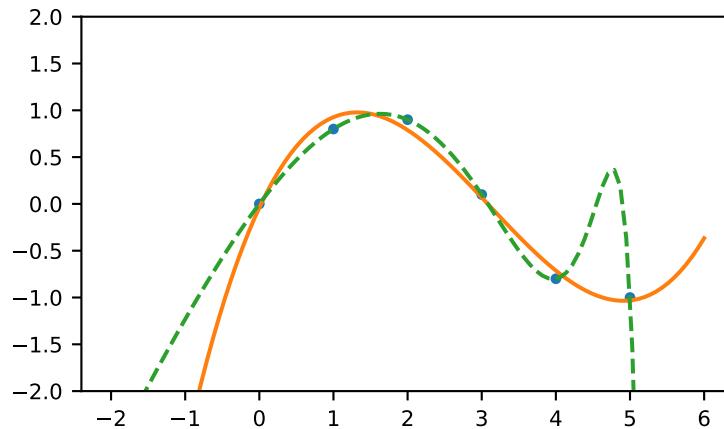
```
>>> p = np.poly1d(z)
>>> p(0.5)
0.6143849206349179 # may vary
>>> p(3.5)
-0.34732142857143039 # may vary
>>> p(10)
22.579365079365115 # may vary
```

High-order polynomials may oscillate wildly:

```
>>> with warnings.catch_warnings():
...     warnings.simplefilter('ignore', np.RankWarning)
...     p30 = np.poly1d(np.polyfit(x, y, 30))
...
>>> p30(4)
-0.800000000000000204 # may vary
>>> p30(5)
-0.9999999999999445 # may vary
>>> p30(4.5)
-0.10547061179440398 # may vary
```

Illustration:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> xp = np.linspace(-2, 6, 100)
>>> _ = plt.plot(x, y, '.', xp, p(xp), '--', xp, p30(xp), '---')
>>> plt.ylim(-2, 2)
(-2, 2)
>>> plt.show()
```



## Calculus

<code>polyder(p[, m])</code>	Return the derivative of the specified order of a polynomial.
<code>polyint(p[, m, k])</code>	Return an antiderivative (indefinite integral) of a polynomial.

`numpy.polyder (p, m=1)`

Return the derivative of the specified order of a polynomial.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

### Parameters

#### p

[poly1d or sequence] Polynomial to differentiate. A sequence is interpreted as polynomial coefficients, see `poly1d`.

#### m

[int, optional] Order of differentiation (default: 1)

### Returns

#### der

[poly1d] A new polynomial representing the derivative.

See also:

#### `polyint`

Anti-derivative of a polynomial.

#### `poly1d`

Class for one-dimensional polynomials.

## Examples

The derivative of the polynomial  $x^3 + x^2 + x^1 + 1$  is:

```
>>> p = np.poly1d([1, 1, 1, 1])
>>> p2 = np.polyder(p)
>>> p2
poly1d([3, 2, 1])
```

which evaluates to:

```
>>> p2(2.)
17.0
```

We can verify this, approximating the derivative with  $(f(x + h) - f(x)) / h$ :

```
>>> (p(2. + 0.001) - p(2.)) / 0.001
17.007000999997857
```

The fourth-order derivative of a 3rd-order polynomial is zero:

```
>>> np.polyder(p, 2)
poly1d([6, 2])
>>> np.polyder(p, 3)
poly1d([6])
>>> np.polyder(p, 4)
poly1d([0])
```

### `numpy.polyint(p, m=1, k=None)`

Return an antiderivative (indefinite integral) of a polynomial.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

The returned order  $m$  antiderivative  $P$  of polynomial  $p$  satisfies  $\frac{d^m}{dx^m} P(x) = p(x)$  and is defined up to  $m - 1$  integration constants  $k$ . The constants determine the low-order polynomial part

$$\frac{k_{m-1}}{0!}x^0 + \dots + \frac{k_0}{(m-1)!}x^{m-1}$$

of  $P$  so that  $P^{(j)}(0) = k_{m-j-1}$ .

#### Parameters

##### **p**

[array\_like or poly1d] Polynomial to integrate. A sequence is interpreted as polynomial coefficients, see [`poly1d`](#).

##### **m**

[int, optional] Order of the antiderivative. (Default: 1)

##### **k**

[list of  $m$  scalars or scalar, optional] Integration constants. They are given in the order of integration: those corresponding to highest-order terms come first.

If `None` (default), all constants are assumed to be zero. If  $m = 1$ , a single scalar can be given instead of a list.

#### See also:

##### [`polyder`](#)

derivative of a polynomial

##### [`poly1d.integ`](#)

equivalent method

## Examples

The defining property of the antiderivative:

```
>>> p = np.poly1d([1, 1, 1])
>>> P = np.polyint(p)
>>> P
poly1d([ 0.33333333,  0.5           ,  1.           ,  0.           ]) # may vary
>>> np.polyder(P) == p
True
```

The integration constants default to zero, but can be specified:

```
>>> P = np.polyint(p, 3)
>>> P(0)
0.0
>>> np.polyder(P)(0)
0.0
>>> np.polyder(P, 2)(0)
0.0
>>> P = np.polyint(p, 3, k=[6, 5, 3])
>>> P
poly1d([ 0.01666667,  0.04166667,  0.16666667,  3. ,  5. ,  3. ]) # may vary
```

Note that  $3 = 6 / 2!$ , and that the constants are given in the order of integrations. Constant of the highest-order polynomial term comes first:

```
>>> np.polyder(P, 2)(0)
6.0
>>> np.polyder(P, 1)(0)
5.0
>>> P(0)
3.0
```

## Arithmetic

<code>polyadd(a1, a2)</code>	Find the sum of two polynomials.
<code>polydiv(u, v)</code>	Returns the quotient and remainder of polynomial division.
<code>polymul(a1, a2)</code>	Find the product of two polynomials.
<code>polysub(a1, a2)</code>	Difference (subtraction) of two polynomials.

`numpy.polyadd(a1, a2)`

Find the sum of two polynomials.

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

Returns the polynomial resulting from the sum of two input polynomials. Each input must be either a `poly1d` object or a 1D sequence of polynomial coefficients, from highest to lowest degree.

### Parameters

`a1, a2`

[array\_like or poly1d object] Input polynomials.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or poly1d object] The sum of the inputs. If either input is a poly1d object, then the output is also a poly1d object. Otherwise, it is a 1D array of polynomial coefficients from highest to lowest degree.

See also:

[`poly1d`](#)

A one-dimensional polynomial class.

[`poly`](#), [`polyadd`](#), [`polyder`](#), [`polydiv`](#), [`polyfit`](#), [`polyint`](#), [`polysub`](#), [`polyval`](#)

### Examples

```
>>> np.polyadd([1, 2], [9, 5, 4])
array([9, 6, 6])
```

Using poly1d objects:

```
>>> p1 = np.poly1d([1, 2])
>>> p2 = np.poly1d([9, 5, 4])
>>> print(p1)
1 x + 2
>>> print(p2)
2
9 x + 5 x + 4
>>> print(np.polyadd(p1, p2))
2
9 x + 6 x + 6
```

`numpy.polydiv(u, v)`

Returns the quotient and remainder of polynomial division.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

The input arrays are the coefficients (including any coefficients equal to zero) of the “numerator” (dividend) and “denominator” (divisor) polynomials, respectively.

### Parameters

#### u

[array\_like or poly1d] Dividend polynomial’s coefficients.

#### v

[array\_like or poly1d] Divisor polynomial’s coefficients.

### Returns

**q**

[ndarray] Coefficients, including those equal to zero, of the quotient.

**r**

[ndarray] Coefficients, including those equal to zero, of the remainder.

**See also:**

[`poly`](#), [`polyadd`](#), [`polyder`](#), [`polydiv`](#), [`polyfit`](#), [`polyint`](#), [`polymul`](#), [`polysub`](#), [`polyval`](#)

## Notes

Both  $u$  and  $v$  must be 0-d or 1-d ( $\text{ndim} = 0$  or  $1$ ), but  $u.\text{ndim}$  need not equal  $v.\text{ndim}$ . In other words, all four possible combinations -  $u.\text{ndim} = v.\text{ndim} = 0$ ,  $u.\text{ndim} = v.\text{ndim} = 1$ ,  $u.\text{ndim} = 1$ ,  $v.\text{ndim} = 0$ , and  $u.\text{ndim} = 0$ ,  $v.\text{ndim} = 1$  - work.

## Examples

$$\frac{3x^2 + 5x + 2}{2x + 1} = 1.5x + 1.75, \text{ remainder } 0.25$$

```
>>> x = np.array([3.0, 5.0, 2.0])
>>> y = np.array([2.0, 1.0])
>>> np.polydiv(x, y)
(array([1.5, 1.75]), array([0.25]))
```

`numpy.polymul(a1, a2)`

Find the product of two polynomials.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

Finds the polynomial resulting from the multiplication of the two input polynomials. Each input must be either a `poly1d` object or a 1D sequence of polynomial coefficients, from highest to lowest degree.

### Parameters

#### a1, a2

[array\_like or `poly1d` object] Input polynomials.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or `poly1d` object] The polynomial resulting from the multiplication of the inputs. If either inputs is a `poly1d` object, then the output is also a `poly1d` object. Otherwise, it is a 1D array of polynomial coefficients from highest to lowest degree.

**See also:**

**`poly1d`**

A one-dimensional polynomial class.

**`poly, polyadd, polyder, polydiv, polyfit, polyint, polysub, polyval`**

**`convolve`**

Array convolution. Same output as `polymul`, but has parameter for overlap mode.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.polymul([1, 2, 3], [9, 5, 1])
array([ 9, 23, 38, 17,  3])
```

Using `poly1d` objects:

```
>>> p1 = np.poly1d([1, 2, 3])
>>> p2 = np.poly1d([9, 5, 1])
>>> print(p1)
2
1 x + 2 x + 3
>>> print(p2)
2
9 x + 5 x + 1
>>> print(np.polymul(p1, p2))
4            3            2
9 x + 23 x + 38 x + 17 x + 3
```

`numpy.polysub(a1, a2)`

Difference (subtraction) of two polynomials.

---

**Note:** This forms part of the old polynomial API. Since version 1.4, the new polynomial API defined in `numpy.polynomial` is preferred. A summary of the differences can be found in the [transition guide](#).

---

Given two polynomials `a1` and `a2`, returns `a1 - a2`. `a1` and `a2` can be either array\_like sequences of the polynomials' coefficients (including coefficients equal to zero), or `poly1d` objects.

**Parameters****a1, a2**

[array\_like or `poly1d`] Minuend and subtrahend polynomials, respectively.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or `poly1d`] Array or `poly1d` object of the difference polynomial's coefficients.

**See also:**

**`polyval, polydiv, polymul, polyadd`**

## Examples

$$(2x^2 + 10x - 2) - (3x^2 + 10x - 4) = (-x^2 + 2)$$

```
>>> np.polysub([2, 10, -2], [3, 10, -4])
array([-1,  0,  2])
```

## Warnings

### *RankWarning*

Issued by [polyfit](#) when the Vandermonde matrix is rank deficient.

### `exception numpy.RankWarning`

Issued by [polyfit](#) when the Vandermonde matrix is rank deficient.

For more information, a way to suppress the warning, and an example of [\*RankWarning\*](#) being issued, see [polyfit](#).

## 5.22 Random sampling (numpy.random)

Numpy's random number routines produce pseudo random numbers using combinations of a [BitGenerator](#) to create sequences and a [Generator](#) to use those sequences to sample from different statistical distributions:

- BitGenerators: Objects that generate random numbers. These are typically unsigned integer words filled with sequences of either 32 or 64 random bits.
- Generators: Objects that transform sequences of random bits from a BitGenerator into sequences of numbers that follow a specific probability distribution (such as uniform, Normal or Binomial) within a specified interval.

Since Numpy version 1.17.0 the Generator can be initialized with a number of different BitGenerators. It exposes many different probability distributions. See [NEP 19](#) for context on the updated random Numpy number routines. The legacy [RandomState](#) random number routines are still available, but limited to a single BitGenerator. See [What's New or Different](#) for a complete list of improvements and differences from the legacy RandomState.

For convenience and backward compatibility, a single [RandomState](#) instance's methods are imported into the `numpy.random` namespace, see [Legacy Random Generation](#) for the complete list.

### 5.22.1 Quick Start

Call `default_rng` to get a new instance of a [Generator](#), then call its methods to obtain samples from different distributions. By default, [Generator](#) uses bits provided by [PCG64](#) which has better statistical properties than the legacy [MT19937](#) used in [RandomState](#).

```
# Do this (new version)
from numpy.random import default_rng
rng = default_rng()
vals = rng.standard_normal(10)
more_vals = rng.standard_normal(10)

# instead of this (legacy version)
from numpy import random
vals = random.standard_normal(10)
more_vals = random.standard_normal(10)
```

`Generator` can be used as a replacement for `RandomState`. Both class instances hold an internal `BitGenerator` instance to provide the bit stream, it is accessible as `gen.bit_generator`. Some long-overdue API cleanup means that legacy and compatibility methods have been removed from `Generator`

<code>RandomState</code>	<code>Generator</code>	Notes
<code>random_sample</code> ,	<code>random</code>	Compatible with <code>random.random</code>
<code>rand</code>		
<code>randint</code> ,	<code>integers</code>	Add an endpoint kwarg
<code>random_integers</code>		
<code>tomaxint</code>	<code>removed</code>	Use <code>integers(0, np.iinfo(np.int_).max, endpoint=False)</code>
<code>seed</code>	<code>removed</code>	Use <code>SeedSequence.spawn</code>

See [What's New or Different](#) for more information.

Something like the following code can be used to support both `RandomState` and `Generator`, with the understanding that the interfaces are slightly different

```
try:
    rng_integers = rng.integers
except AttributeError:
    rng_integers = rng.randint
a = rng_integers(1000)
```

Seeds can be passed to any of the BitGenerators. The provided value is mixed via `SeedSequence` to spread a possible sequence of seeds across a wider range of initialization states for the BitGenerator. Here `PCG64` is used and is wrapped with a `Generator`.

```
from numpy.random import Generator, PCG64
rng = Generator(PCG64(12345))
rng.standard_normal()
```

Here we use `default_rng` to create an instance of `Generator` to generate a random float:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng(12345)
>>> print(rng)
Generator(PCG64)
>>> rfloat = rng.random()
>>> rfloat
0.22733602246716966
>>> type(rfloat)
<class 'float'>
```

Here we use `default_rng` to create an instance of `Generator` to generate 3 random integers between 0 (inclusive) and 10 (exclusive):

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng(12345)
>>> rints = rng.integers(low=0, high=10, size=3)
>>> rints
array([6, 2, 7])
>>> type(rints[0])
<class 'numpy.int64'>
```

## 5.22.2 Introduction

The new infrastructure takes a different approach to producing random numbers from the `RandomState` object. Random number generation is separated into two components, a bit generator and a random generator.

The `BitGenerator` has a limited set of responsibilities. It manages state and provides functions to produce random doubles and random unsigned 32- and 64-bit values.

The `random generator` takes the bit generator-provided stream and transforms them into more useful distributions, e.g., simulated normal random values. This structure allows alternative bit generators to be used with little code duplication.

The `Generator` is the user-facing object that is nearly identical to the legacy `RandomState`. It accepts a bit generator instance as an argument. The default is currently `PCG64` but this may change in future versions. As a convenience NumPy provides the `default_rng` function to hide these details:

```
>>> from numpy.random import default_rng
>>> rng = default_rng(12345)
>>> print(rng)
Generator(PCG64)
>>> print(rng.random())
0.22733602246716966
```

One can also instantiate `Generator` directly with a `BitGenerator` instance.

To use the default `PCG64` bit generator, one can instantiate it directly and pass it to `Generator`:

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, PCG64
>>> rng = Generator(PCG64(12345))
>>> print(rng)
Generator(PCG64)
```

Similarly to use the older `MT19937` bit generator (not recommended), one can instantiate it directly and pass it to `Generator`:

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, MT19937
>>> rng = Generator(MT19937(12345))
>>> print(rng)
Generator(MT19937)
```

## What's New or Different

**Warning:** The Box-Muller method used to produce NumPy's normals is no longer available in `Generator`. It is not possible to reproduce the exact random values using `Generator` for the normal distribution or any other distribution that relies on the normal such as the `RandomState.gamma` or `RandomState.standard_t`. If you require bitwise backward compatible streams, use `RandomState`.

- The Generator's normal, exponential and gamma functions use 256-step Ziggurat methods which are 2-10 times faster than NumPy's Box-Muller or inverse CDF implementations.
- Optional `dtype` argument that accepts `np.float32` or `np.float64` to produce either single or double precision uniform random variables for select distributions
- Optional `out` argument that allows existing arrays to be filled for select distributions

- All BitGenerators can produce doubles, uint64s and uint32s via CTypes (`PCG64.ctypes`) and CFFI (`PCG64.cffi`). This allows the bit generators to be used in numba.
- The bit generators can be used in downstream projects via [Cython](#).
- `Generator.integers` is now the canonical way to generate integer random numbers from a discrete uniform distribution. The `rand` and `randn` methods are only available through the legacy `RandomState`. The `endpoint` keyword can be used to specify open or closed intervals. This replaces both `randint` and the deprecated `random_integers`.
- `Generator.random` is now the canonical way to generate floating-point random numbers, which replaces `RandomState.random_sample`, `RandomState.sample`, and `RandomState.ranf`. This is consistent with Python's `random.random`.
- All BitGenerators in numpy use `SeedSequence` to convert seeds into initialized states.
- The addition of an `axis` keyword argument to methods such as `Generator.choice`, `Generator.permutation`, and `Generator.shuffle` improves support for sampling from and shuffling multi-dimensional arrays.

See [What's New or Different](#) for a complete list of improvements and differences from the traditional Randomstate.

## Parallel Generation

The included generators can be used in parallel, distributed applications in one of three ways:

- *SeedSequence spawning*
- *Independent Streams*
- *Jumping the BitGenerator state*

Users with a very large amount of parallelism will want to consult [Upgrading PCG64 with PCG64DXSM](#).

### 5.22.3 Concepts

#### Random Generator

The `Generator` provides access to a wide range of distributions, and served as a replacement for `RandomState`. The main difference between the two is that `Generator` relies on an additional BitGenerator to manage state and generate the random bits, which are then transformed into random values from useful distributions. The default BitGenerator used by `Generator` is `PCG64`. The BitGenerator can be changed by passing an instantized BitGenerator to `Generator`.

`numpy.random.default_rng()`

Construct a new Generator with the default BitGenerator (PCG64).

#### Parameters

##### seed

[{None, int, array\_like[ints]}, SeedSequence, BitGenerator, Generator}, optional] A seed to initialize the `BitGenerator`. If None, then fresh, unpredictable entropy will be pulled from the OS. If an int or array\_like[ints] is passed, then it will be passed to `SeedSequence` to derive the initial `BitGenerator` state. One may also pass in a `SeedSequence` instance. Additionally, when passed a `BitGenerator`, it will be wrapped by `Generator`. If passed a `Generator`, it will be returned unaltered.

#### Returns

## Generator

The initialized generator object.

## Notes

If `seed` is not a `BitGenerator` or a `Generator`, a new `BitGenerator` is instantiated. This function does not manage a default global instance.

## Examples

`default_rng` is the recommended constructor for the random number class `Generator`. Here are several ways we can construct a random number generator using `default_rng` and the `Generator` class.

Here we use `default_rng` to generate a random float:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng(12345)
>>> print(rng)
Generator(PCG64)
>>> rfloat = rng.random()
>>> rfloat
0.22733602246716966
>>> type(rfloat)
<class 'float'>
```

Here we use `default_rng` to generate 3 random integers between 0 (inclusive) and 10 (exclusive):

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng(12345)
>>> rints = rng.integers(low=0, high=10, size=3)
>>> rints
array([6, 2, 7])
>>> type(rints[0])
<class 'numpy.int64'>
```

Here we specify a seed so that we have reproducible results:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng(seed=42)
>>> print(rng)
Generator(PCG64)
>>> arr1 = rng.random((3, 3))
>>> arr1
array([[0.77395605, 0.43887844, 0.85859792],
       [0.69736803, 0.09417735, 0.97562235],
       [0.7611397 , 0.78606431, 0.12811363]])
```

If we exit and restart our Python interpreter, we'll see that we generate the same random numbers again:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng(seed=42)
>>> arr2 = rng.random((3, 3))
>>> arr2
array([[0.77395605, 0.43887844, 0.85859792],
       [0.69736803, 0.09417735, 0.97562235],
       [0.7611397 , 0.78606431, 0.12811363]])
```

---

```
class numpy.random.Generator(bit_generator)
```

Container for the BitGenerators.

`Generator` exposes a number of methods for generating random numbers drawn from a variety of probability distributions. In addition to the distribution-specific arguments, each method takes a keyword argument `size` that defaults to `None`. If `size` is `None`, then a single value is generated and returned. If `size` is an integer, then a 1-D array filled with generated values is returned. If `size` is a tuple, then an array with that shape is filled and returned.

The function `numpy.random.default_rng` will instantiate a `Generator` with numpy's default `BitGenerator`.

### No Compatibility Guarantee

`Generator` does not provide a version compatibility guarantee. In particular, as better algorithms evolve the bit stream may change.

#### Parameters

##### bit\_generator

[`BitGenerator`] BitGenerator to use as the core generator.

#### See also:

##### `default_rng`

Recommended constructor for `Generator`.

#### Notes

The Python stdlib module `random` contains pseudo-random number generator with a number of methods that are similar to the ones available in `Generator`. It uses Mersenne Twister, and this bit generator can be accessed using `MT19937`. `Generator`, besides being NumPy-aware, has the advantage that it provides a much larger number of probability distributions to choose from.

#### Examples

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, PCG64
>>> rng = Generator(PCG64())
>>> rng.standard_normal()
-0.203 # random
```

### Accessing the BitGenerator

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<code>bit_generator</code>	Gets the bit generator instance used by the generator
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attribute

`random.Generator.bit_generator`

Gets the bit generator instance used by the generator

#### Returns

##### bit\_generator

[`BitGenerator`] The bit generator instance used by the generator

## Simple random data

<code>integers(low[, high, size, dtype, endpoint])</code>	Return random integers from <i>low</i> (inclusive) to <i>high</i> (exclusive), or if <i>endpoint=True</i> , <i>low</i> (inclusive) to <i>high</i> (inclusive).
<code>random([size, dtype, out])</code>	Return random floats in the half-open interval [0.0, 1.0).
<code>choice(a[, size, replace, p, axis, shuffle])</code>	Generates a random sample from a given array
<code>bytes(length)</code>	Return random bytes.

method

`random.Generator.integers (low, high=None, size=None, dtype=np.int64, endpoint=False)`

Return random integers from *low* (inclusive) to *high* (exclusive), or if *endpoint=True*, *low* (inclusive) to *high* (inclusive). Replaces *RandomState.randint* (with *endpoint=False*) and *RandomState.random\_integers* (with *endpoint=True*)

Return random integers from the “discrete uniform” distribution of the specified *dtype*. If *high* is None (the default), then results are from 0 to *low*.

### Parameters

#### low

[int or array-like of ints] Lowest (signed) integers to be drawn from the distribution (unless *high=None*, in which case this parameter is 0 and this value is used for *high*).

#### high

[int or array-like of ints, optional] If provided, one above the largest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (see above for behavior if *high=None*). If array-like, must contain integer values

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional] Desired *dtype* of the result. Byteorder must be native. The default value is np.int64.

#### endpoint

[bool, optional] If true, sample from the interval [low, high] instead of the default [low, high) Defaults to False

### Returns

#### out

[int or ndarray of ints] *size*-shaped array of random integers from the appropriate distribution, or a single such random int if *size* not provided.

## Notes

When using broadcasting with uint64 dtypes, the maximum value ( $2^{**64}$ ) cannot be represented as a standard integer type. The high array (or low if high is None) must have object dtype, e.g., `array([2**64])`.

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> rng.integers(2, size=10)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0]) # random
>>> rng.integers(1, size=10)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
```

Generate a 2 x 4 array of ints between 0 and 4, inclusive:

```
>>> rng.integers(5, size=(2, 4))
array([[4, 0, 2, 1],
       [3, 2, 2, 0]]) # random
```

Generate a 1 x 3 array with 3 different upper bounds

```
>>> rng.integers(1, [3, 5, 10])
array([2, 2, 9]) # random
```

Generate a 1 by 3 array with 3 different lower bounds

```
>>> rng.integers([1, 5, 7], 10)
array([9, 8, 7]) # random
```

Generate a 2 by 4 array using broadcasting with dtype of uint8

```
>>> rng.integers([1, 3, 5, 7], [[10], [20]], dtype=np.uint8)
array([[ 8,   6,   9,   7],
       [ 1, 16,   9, 12]], dtype=uint8) # random
```

method

`random.Generator.random(size=None, dtype=np.float64, out=None)`

Return random floats in the half-open interval [0.0, 1.0).

Results are from the “continuous uniform” distribution over the stated interval. To sample  $Unif[a, b)$ ,  $b > a$  multiply the output of `random` by  $(b-a)$  and add  $a$ :

```
(b - a) * random() + a
```

## Parameters

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

**dtype**

[`dtype`, optional] Desired `dtype` of the result, only `float64` and `float32` are supported. Byteorder must be native. The default value is `np.float64`.

**out**

[`ndarray`, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. If size is not `None`, it must have the same shape as the provided size and must match the type of the output values.

**Returns****out**

[`float` or `ndarray` of `floats`] Array of random floats of shape `size` (unless `size=None`, in which case a single float is returned).

**Examples**

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> rng.random()
0.47108547995356098 # random
>>> type(rng.random())
<class 'float'>
>>> rng.random((5,))
array([ 0.30220482,  0.86820401,  0.1654503 ,  0.11659149,  0.54323428]) # random
```

Three-by-two array of random numbers from [-5, 0):

```
>>> 5 * rng.random((3, 2)) - 5
array([-3.99149989, -0.52338984], # random
      [-2.99091858, -0.79479508],
      [-1.23204345, -1.75224494]])
```

**method**

`random.Generator.choice(a, size=None, replace=True, p=None, axis=0, shuffle=False)`

Generates a random sample from a given array

**Parameters****a**

[`{array_like, int}`] If an `ndarray`, a random sample is generated from its elements. If an `int`, the random sample is generated from `np.arange(a)`.

**size**

[`{int, tuple[int]}`, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn from the 1-d `a`. If `a` has more than one dimension, the `size` shape will be inserted into the `axis` dimension, so the output `ndim` will be `a.ndim + 1 + len(size)`. Default is `None`, in which case a single value is returned.

**replace**

[`bool`, optional] Whether the sample is with or without replacement. Default is `True`, meaning that a value of `a` can be selected multiple times.

**p**

[1-D array\_like, optional] The probabilities associated with each entry in a. If not given, the sample assumes a uniform distribution over all entries in a.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis along which the selection is performed. The default, 0, selects by row.

**shuffle**

[bool, optional] Whether the sample is shuffled when sampling without replacement. Default is True, False provides a speedup.

**Returns****samples**

[single item or ndarray] The generated random samples

**Raises****ValueError**

If a is an int and less than zero, if p is not 1-dimensional, if a is array-like with a size 0, if p is not a vector of probabilities, if a and p have different lengths, or if replace=False and the sample size is greater than the population size.

**See also:**

[integers](#), [shuffle](#), [permutation](#)

**Notes**

Setting user-specified probabilities through p uses a more general but less efficient sampler than the default. The general sampler produces a different sample than the optimized sampler even if each element of p is  $1 / \text{len}(a)$ .

**Examples**

Generate a uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3:

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> rng.choice(5, 3)
array([0, 3, 4]) # random
>>> #This is equivalent to rng.integers(0,5,3)
```

Generate a non-uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3:

```
>>> rng.choice(5, 3, p=[0.1, 0, 0.3, 0.6, 0])
array([3, 3, 0]) # random
```

Generate a uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3 without replacement:

```
>>> rng.choice(5, 3, replace=False)
array([3, 1, 0]) # random
>>> #This is equivalent to rng.permutation(np.arange(5))[:3]
```

Generate a uniform random sample from a 2-D array along the first axis (the default), without replacement:

```
>>> rng.choice([[0, 1, 2], [3, 4, 5], [6, 7, 8]], 2, replace=False)
array([[3, 4, 5], # random
       [0, 1, 2]])
```

Generate a non-uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3 without replacement:

```
>>> rng.choice(5, 3, replace=False, p=[0.1, 0, 0.3, 0.6, 0])
array([2, 3, 0]) # random
```

Any of the above can be repeated with an arbitrary array-like instead of just integers. For instance:

```
>>> aa_milne_arr = ['pooh', 'rabbit', 'piglet', 'Christopher']
>>> rng.choice(aa_milne_arr, 5, p=[0.5, 0.1, 0.1, 0.3])
array(['pooh', 'pooh', 'pooh', 'Christopher', 'piglet'], # random
      dtype='<U11')
```

method

`random.Generator.bytes (length)`

Return random bytes.

#### Parameters

##### **length**

[int] Number of random bytes.

#### Returns

##### **out**

[bytes] String of length *length*.

#### Examples

```
>>> np.random.default_rng().bytes(10)
b'\xfe\x9b\x86\x17\xf2\xa1\xafcp' # random
```

#### Permutations

The methods for randomly permuting a sequence are

<code>shuffle(x[, axis])</code>	Modify an array or sequence in-place by shuffling its contents.
<code>permutation(x[, axis])</code>	Randomly permute a sequence, or return a permuted range.
<code>permuted(x[, axis, out])</code>	Randomly permute <i>x</i> along axis <i>axis</i> .

method

`random.Generator.shuffle (x, axis=0)`

Modify an array or sequence in-place by shuffling its contents.

The order of sub-arrays is changed but their contents remains the same.

## Parameters

**x**

[ndarray or MutableSequence] The array, list or mutable sequence to be shuffled.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis which *x* is shuffled along. Default is 0. It is only supported on *ndarray* objects.

## Returns

**None**

**See also:**

[permuted](#)

[permutation](#)

## Notes

An important distinction between methods `shuffle` and `permuted` is how they both treat the `axis` parameter which can be found at [Handling the axis parameter](#).

## Examples

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> arr = np.arange(10)
>>> arr
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
>>> rng.shuffle(arr)
>>> arr
array([2, 0, 7, 5, 1, 4, 8, 9, 3, 6]) # random
```

```
>>> arr = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> arr
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5],
       [6, 7, 8]])
>>> rng.shuffle(arr)
>>> arr
array([[3, 4, 5], # random
       [6, 7, 8],
       [0, 1, 2]])
```

```
>>> arr = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> arr
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5],
       [6, 7, 8]])
>>> rng.shuffle(arr, axis=1)
>>> arr
array([[2, 0, 1], # random
```

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```
[5, 3, 4],  
[8, 6, 7]])
```

method

`random.Generator.permutation(x, axis=0)`

Randomly permute a sequence, or return a permuted range.

#### Parameters

**x**

[int or array\_like] If *x* is an integer, randomly permute `np.arange(x)`. If *x* is an array, make a copy and shuffle the elements randomly.

**axis**

[int, optional] The axis which *x* is shuffled along. Default is 0.

#### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Permuted sequence or array range.

## Examples

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()  
>>> rng.permutation(10)  
array([1, 7, 4, 3, 0, 9, 2, 5, 8, 6]) # random
```

```
>>> rng.permutation([1, 4, 9, 12, 15])  
array([15, 1, 9, 4, 12]) # random
```

```
>>> arr = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))  
>>> rng.permutation(arr)  
array([[6, 7, 8], # random  
       [0, 1, 2],  
       [3, 4, 5]])
```

```
>>> rng.permutation("abc")  
Traceback (most recent call last):  
...  
numpy.AxisError: axis 0 is out of bounds for array of dimension 0
```

```
>>> arr = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))  
>>> rng.permutation(arr, axis=1)  
array([[0, 2, 1], # random  
       [3, 5, 4],  
       [6, 8, 7]])
```

method

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```
random.Generator.permuted(x, axis=None, out=None)
```

Randomly permute  $x$  along axis  $axis$ .

Unlike `shuffle`, each slice along the given axis is shuffled independently of the others.

### Parameters

**x**

[array\_like, at least one-dimensional] Array to be shuffled.

**axis**

[int, optional] Slices of  $x$  in this axis are shuffled. Each slice is shuffled independently of the others. If  $axis$  is None, the flattened array is shuffled.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] If given, this is the destination of the shuffled array. If  $out$  is None, a shuffled copy of the array is returned.

### Returns

**ndarray**

If  $out$  is None, a shuffled copy of  $x$  is returned. Otherwise, the shuffled array is stored in  $out$ , and  $out$  is returned

### See also:

[`shuffle`](#)

[`permutation`](#)

### Notes

An important distinction between methods `shuffle` and `permuted` is how they both treat the `axis` parameter which can be found at [Handling the axis parameter](#).

### Examples

Create a `numpy.random.Generator` instance:

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
```

Create a test array:

```
>>> x = np.arange(24).reshape(3, 8)
>>> x
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3,  4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15],
       [16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23]])
```

Shuffle the rows of  $x$ :

```
>>> y = rng.permuted(x, axis=1)
>>> y
array([[ 4,  3,  6,  7,  1,  2,  5,  0], # random
       [15, 10, 14,  9, 12, 11,  8, 13],
       [17, 16, 20, 21, 18, 22, 23, 19]])
```

*x* has not been modified:

```
>>> x
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3,  4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15],
       [16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23]])
```

To shuffle the rows of *x* in-place, pass *x* as the *out* parameter:

```
>>> y = rng.permuted(x, axis=1, out=x)
>>> x
array([[ 3,  0,  4,  7,  1,  6,  2,  5], # random
       [ 8, 14, 13,  9, 12, 11, 15, 10],
       [17, 18, 16, 22, 19, 23, 20, 21]])
```

Note that when the *out* parameter is given, the return value is *out*:

```
>>> y is x
True
```

The following table summarizes the behaviors of the methods.

method	copy/in-place	axis handling
shuffle	in-place	as if 1d
permutation	copy	as if 1d
permuted	either (use ‘out’ for in-place)	axis independent

The following subsections provide more details about the differences.

## In-place vs. copy

The main difference between `Generator.shuffle` and `Generator.permutation` is that `Generator.shuffle` operates in-place, while `Generator.permutation` returns a copy.

By default, `Generator.permuted` returns a copy. To operate in-place with `Generator.permuted`, pass the same array as the first argument *and* as the value of the *out* parameter. For example,

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> x = np.arange(0, 15).reshape(3, 5)
>>> x
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3,  4],
       [ 5,  6,  7,  8,  9],
       [10, 11, 12, 13, 14]])
>>> y = rng.permuted(x, axis=1, out=x)
>>> x
array([[ 1,  0,  2,  4,  3], # random
       [ 6,  7,  8,  9,  5],
       [10, 14, 11, 13, 12]])
```

Note that when `out` is given, the return value is `out`:

```
>>> y is x
True
```

## Handling the `axis` parameter

An important distinction for these methods is how they handle the `axis` parameter. Both `Generator.shuffle` and `Generator.permutation` treat the input as a one-dimensional sequence, and the `axis` parameter determines which dimension of the input array to use as the sequence. In the case of a two-dimensional array, `axis=0` will, in effect, rearrange the rows of the array, and `axis=1` will rearrange the columns. For example

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> x = np.arange(0, 15).reshape(3, 5)
>>> x
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3,  4],
       [ 5,  6,  7,  8,  9],
       [10, 11, 12, 13, 14]])
>>> rng.permutation(x, axis=1)
array([[ 1,  3,  2,  0,  4],  # random
       [ 6,  8,  7,  5,  9],
       [11, 13, 12, 10, 14]])
```

Note that the columns have been rearranged “in bulk”: the values within each column have not changed.

The method `Generator.permuted` treats the `axis` parameter similar to how `numpy.sort` treats it. Each slice along the given axis is shuffled independently of the others. Compare the following example of the use of `Generator.permuted` to the above example of `Generator.permutation`:

```
>>> rng.permuted(x, axis=1)
array([[ 1,  0,  2,  4,  3],  # random
       [ 5,  7,  6,  9,  8],
       [10, 14, 12, 13, 11]])
```

In this example, the values within each row (i.e. the values along `axis=1`) have been shuffled independently. This is not a “bulk” shuffle of the columns.

## Shuffling non-NumPy sequences

`Generator.shuffle` works on non-NumPy sequences. That is, if it is given a sequence that is not a NumPy array, it shuffles that sequence in-place. For example,

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> a = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E']
>>> rng.shuffle(a)  # shuffle the list in-place
>>> a
['B', 'D', 'A', 'E', 'C']  # random
```

## Distributions

<code>beta(a, b[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Beta distribution.
<code>binomial(n, p[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a binomial distribution.
<code>chisquare(df[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a chi-square distribution.
<code>dirichlet(alpha[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the Dirichlet distribution.
<code>exponential([scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from an exponential distribution.
<code>f(dfnum, dfden[, size])</code>	Draw samples from an F distribution.
<code>gamma(shape[, scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Gamma distribution.
<code>geometric(p[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the geometric distribution.
<code>gumbel([loc, scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution.
<code>hypergeometric/ngood, nbad, nsample[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Hypergeometric distribution.
<code>laplace([loc, scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from the Laplace or double exponential distribution with specified location (or mean) and scale (decay).
<code>logistic([loc, scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a logistic distribution.
<code>lognormal([mean, sigma, size])</code>	Draw samples from a log-normal distribution.
<code>logseries(p[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a logarithmic series distribution.
<code>multinomial(n, pvals[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a multinomial distribution.
<code>multivariate_hypergeometric(colors, nsample)</code>	Generate variates from a multivariate hypergeometric distribution.
<code>multivariate_normal(mean, cov[, size, ...])</code>	Draw random samples from a multivariate normal distribution.
<code>negative_binomial(n, p[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a negative binomial distribution.
<code>noncentral_chisquare(df, nonc[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a noncentral chi-square distribution.
<code>noncentral_f(dfnum, dfden, nonc[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the noncentral F distribution.
<code>normal([loc, scale, size])</code>	Draw random samples from a normal (Gaussian) distribution.
<code>pareto(a[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Pareto II or Lomax distribution with specified shape.
<code>poisson([lam, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Poisson distribution.
<code>power(a[, size])</code>	Draws samples in [0, 1] from a power distribution with positive exponent a - 1.
<code>rayleigh([scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Rayleigh distribution.
<code>standard_cauchy([size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Cauchy distribution with mode = 0.
<code>standard_exponential([size, dtype, method, out])</code>	Draw samples from the standard exponential distribution.
<code>standard_gamma(shape[, size, dtype, out])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Gamma distribution.
<code>standard_normal([size, dtype, out])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Normal distribution (mean=0, stdev=1).
<code>standard_t(df[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Student's t distribution with $df$ degrees of freedom.
<code>triangular(left, mode, right[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the triangular distribution over the interval [left, right].
<code>uniform([low, high, size])</code>	Draw samples from a uniform distribution.
<code>vonmises(mu, kappa[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a von Mises distribution.
<code>wald(mean, scale[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Wald, or inverse Gaussian, distribution.
<code>weibull(a[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Weibull distribution.
<code>zipf(a[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Zipf distribution.

method

`random.Generator.beta(a, b, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Beta distribution.

The Beta distribution is a special case of the Dirichlet distribution, and is related to the Gamma distribution. It has the probability distribution function

$$f(x; a, b) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1},$$

where the normalization, B, is the beta function,

$$B(\alpha, \beta) = \int_0^1 t^{\alpha-1} (1-t)^{\beta-1} dt.$$

It is often seen in Bayesian inference and order statistics.

### Parameters

**a**

[float or array\_like of floats] Alpha, positive (>0).

**b**

[float or array\_like of floats] Beta, positive (>0).

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if a and b are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(a, b).size samples are drawn.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized beta distribution.

method

`random.Generator.binomial(n, p, size=None)`

Draw samples from a binomial distribution.

Samples are drawn from a binomial distribution with specified parameters, n trials and p probability of success where n an integer  $\geq 0$  and p is in the interval [0,1]. (n may be input as a float, but it is truncated to an integer in use)

### Parameters

**n**

[int or array\_like of ints] Parameter of the distribution,  $\geq 0$ . Floats are also accepted, but they will be truncated to integers.

**p**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution,  $\geq 0$  and  $\leq 1$ .

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `n` and `p` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(n, p).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized binomial distribution, where each sample is equal to the number of successes over the `n` trials.

**See also:****`scipy.stats.binom`**

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**Notes**

The probability density for the binomial distribution is

$$P(N) = \binom{n}{N} p^N (1-p)^{n-N},$$

where  $n$  is the number of trials,  $p$  is the probability of success, and  $N$  is the number of successes.

When estimating the standard error of a proportion in a population by using a random sample, the normal distribution works well unless the product  $p*n <= 5$ , where  $p$  = population proportion estimate, and  $n$  = number of samples, in which case the binomial distribution is used instead. For example, a sample of 15 people shows 4 who are left handed, and 11 who are right handed. Then  $p = 4/15 = 27\%$ .  $0.27*15 = 4$ , so the binomial distribution should be used in this case.

**References**

[1], [2], [3], [4], [5]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> n, p = 10, .5 # number of trials, probability of each trial
>>> s = rng.binomial(n, p, 1000)
# result of flipping a coin 10 times, tested 1000 times.
```

A real world example. A company drills 9 wild-cat oil exploration wells, each with an estimated probability of success of 0.1. All nine wells fail. What is the probability of that happening?

Let's do 20,000 trials of the model, and count the number that generate zero positive results.

```
>>> sum(rng.binomial(9, 0.1, 20000) == 0)/20000.
# answer = 0.38885, or 39%.
```

**method**

`random.Generator.chisquare(df, size=None)`

Draw samples from a chi-square distribution.

When  $df$  independent random variables, each with standard normal distributions (mean 0, variance 1), are squared and summed, the resulting distribution is chi-square (see Notes). This distribution is often used in hypothesis testing.

**Parameters****df**

[float or array\_like of floats] Number of degrees of freedom, must be  $> 0$ .

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `df` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(df).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized chi-square distribution.

**Raises****ValueError**

When  $df \leq 0$  or when an inappropriate `size` (e.g. `size=-1`) is given.

**Notes**

The variable obtained by summing the squares of  $df$  independent, standard normally distributed random variables:

$$Q = \sum_{i=0}^{df} X_i^2$$

is chi-square distributed, denoted

$$Q \sim \chi_k^2.$$

The probability density function of the chi-squared distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{(1/2)^{k/2}}{\Gamma(k/2)} x^{k/2-1} e^{-x/2},$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the gamma function,

$$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{-\infty} t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt.$$

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.default_rng().chisquare(2, 4)
array([ 1.89920014,  9.00867716,  3.13710533,  5.62318272]) # random
```

method

`random.Generator.dirichlet(alpha, size=None)`

Draw samples from the Dirichlet distribution.

Draw `size` samples of dimension `k` from a Dirichlet distribution. A Dirichlet-distributed random variable can be seen as a multivariate generalization of a Beta distribution. The Dirichlet distribution is a conjugate prior of a multinomial distribution in Bayesian inference.

### Parameters

#### `alpha`

[sequence of floats, length `k`] Parameter of the distribution (length `k` for sample of length `k`).

#### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n)`, then `m * n` \* `k` samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a vector of length `k` is returned.

### Returns

#### `samples`

[ndarray,] The drawn samples, of shape `(size, k)`.

### Raises

#### `ValueError`

If any value in `alpha` is less than or equal to zero

### Notes

The Dirichlet distribution is a distribution over vectors  $x$  that fulfil the conditions  $x_i > 0$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^k x_i = 1$ .

The probability density function  $p$  of a Dirichlet-distributed random vector  $X$  is proportional to

$$p(x) \propto \prod_{i=1}^k x_i^{\alpha_i - 1},$$

where  $\alpha$  is a vector containing the positive concentration parameters.

The method uses the following property for computation: let  $Y$  be a random vector which has components that follow a standard gamma distribution, then  $X = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^k Y_i} Y$  is Dirichlet-distributed

## References

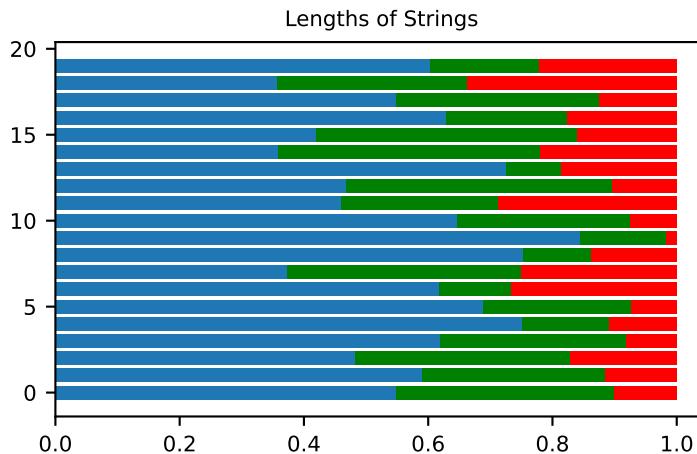
[1], [2]

## Examples

Taking an example cited in Wikipedia, this distribution can be used if one wanted to cut strings (each of initial length 1.0) into K pieces with different lengths, where each piece had, on average, a designated average length, but allowing some variation in the relative sizes of the pieces.

```
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().dirichlet((10, 5, 3), 20).transpose()
```

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[0])
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[1], left=s[0], color='g')
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[2], left=s[0]+s[1], color='r')
>>> plt.title("Lengths of Strings")
```



method

`random.Generator.exponential(scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from an exponential distribution.

Its probability density function is

$$f(x; \frac{1}{\beta}) = \frac{1}{\beta} \exp(-\frac{x}{\beta}),$$

for  $x > 0$  and 0 elsewhere.  $\beta$  is the scale parameter, which is the inverse of the rate parameter  $\lambda = 1/\beta$ . The rate parameter is an alternative, widely used parameterization of the exponential distribution [3].

The exponential distribution is a continuous analogue of the geometric distribution. It describes many common situations, such as the size of raindrops measured over many rainstorms [1], or the time between page requests to Wikipedia [2].

## Parameters

**scale**

[float or array\_like of floats] The scale parameter,  $\beta = 1/\lambda$ . Must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `scale` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(scale).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized exponential distribution.

## References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#), [\[3\]](#)

**method**

`random.Generator.f(dfnum, dfden, size=None)`

Draw samples from an F distribution.

Samples are drawn from an F distribution with specified parameters, `dfnum` (degrees of freedom in numerator) and `dfden` (degrees of freedom in denominator), where both parameters must be greater than zero.

The random variate of the F distribution (also known as the Fisher distribution) is a continuous probability distribution that arises in ANOVA tests, and is the ratio of two chi-square variates.

**Parameters****dfnum**

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom in numerator, must be  $> 0$ .

**dfden**

[float or array\_like of float] Degrees of freedom in denominator, must be  $> 0$ .

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `dfnum` and `dfden` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(dfnum, dfden).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Fisher distribution.

**See also:**

`scipy.stats.f`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

## Notes

The F statistic is used to compare in-group variances to between-group variances. Calculating the distribution depends on the sampling, and so it is a function of the respective degrees of freedom in the problem. The variable *dfnum* is the number of samples minus one, the between-groups degrees of freedom, while *dfden* is the within-groups degrees of freedom, the sum of the number of samples in each group minus the number of groups.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

An example from Glantz[1], pp 47-40:

Two groups, children of diabetics (25 people) and children from people without diabetes (25 controls). Fasting blood glucose was measured, case group had a mean value of 86.1, controls had a mean value of 82.2. Standard deviations were 2.09 and 2.49 respectively. Are these data consistent with the null hypothesis that the parents diabetic status does not affect their children's blood glucose levels? Calculating the F statistic from the data gives a value of 36.01.

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> dfnum = 1. # between group degrees of freedom
>>> dfden = 48. # within groups degrees of freedom
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().f(dfnum, dfden, 1000)
```

The lower bound for the top 1% of the samples is :

```
>>> np.sort(s)[-10]
7.61988120985 # random
```

So there is about a 1% chance that the F statistic will exceed 7.62, the measured value is 36, so the null hypothesis is rejected at the 1% level.

method

`random.Generator.gamma(shape, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Gamma distribution.

Samples are drawn from a Gamma distribution with specified parameters, *shape* (sometimes designated “k”) and *scale* (sometimes designated “theta”), where both parameters are  $> 0$ .

### Parameters

#### shape

[float or array\_like of floats] The shape of the gamma distribution. Must be non-negative.

#### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The scale of the gamma distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is equal to 1.

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if *shape* and

`scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(shape, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized gamma distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.gamma`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

## Notes

The probability density for the Gamma distribution is

$$p(x) = x^{k-1} \frac{e^{-x/\theta}}{\theta^k \Gamma(k)},$$

where  $k$  is the shape and  $\theta$  the scale, and  $\Gamma$  is the Gamma function.

The Gamma distribution is often used to model the times to failure of electronic components, and arises naturally in processes for which the waiting times between Poisson distributed events are relevant.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> shape, scale = 2., 2. # mean=4, std=2*sqrt(2)
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().gamma(shape, scale, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

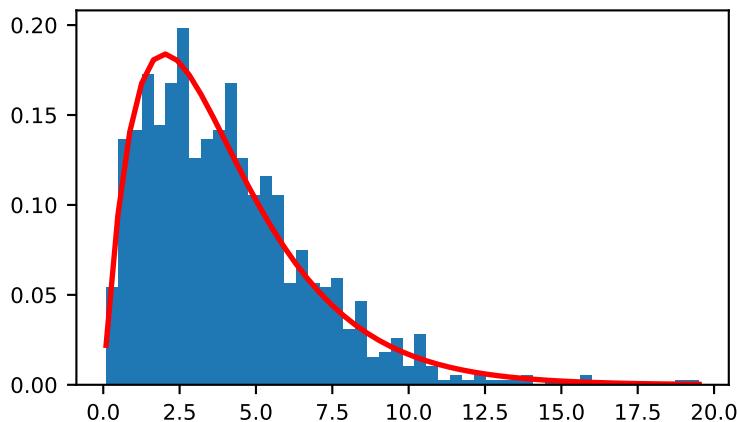
```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> import scipy.special as sps
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> y = bins***(shape-1)*(np.exp(-bins/scale) /
...                      (sps.gamma(shape)*scale**shape))
>>> plt.plot(bins, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

method

`random.Generator.geometric(p, size=None)`

Draw samples from the geometric distribution.

Bernoulli trials are experiments with one of two outcomes: success or failure (an example of such an experiment is flipping a coin). The geometric distribution models the number of trials that must be run in order to achieve success. It is therefore supported on the positive integers,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ .



The probability mass function of the geometric distribution is

$$f(k) = (1 - p)^{k-1} p$$

where  $p$  is the probability of success of an individual trial.

### Parameters

#### **p**

[float or array\_like of floats] The probability of success of an individual trial.

#### **size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `p` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(p).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### **out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized geometric distribution.

### Examples

Draw ten thousand values from the geometric distribution, with the probability of an individual success equal to 0.35:

```
>>> z = np.random.default_rng().geometric(p=0.35, size=10000)
```

How many trials succeeded after a single run?

```
>>> (z == 1).sum() / 10000.
0.3488999999999999 # random
```

method

```
random.Generator.gumbel(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)
```

Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution.

Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution with specified location and scale. For more information on the Gumbel distribution, see Notes and References below.

### Parameters

#### loc

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The location of the mode of the distribution. Default is 0.

#### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The scale parameter of the distribution. Default is 1. Must be non-negative.

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if loc and scale are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(loc, scale).size samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Gumbel distribution.

### See also:

[scipy.stats.gumbel\\_1](#)  
[scipy.stats.gumbel\\_r](#)  
[scipy.stats.genextreme](#)  
[weibull](#)

### Notes

The Gumbel (or Smallest Extreme Value (SEV) or the Smallest Extreme Value Type I) distribution is one of a class of Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions used in modeling extreme value problems. The Gumbel is a special case of the Extreme Value Type I distribution for maximums from distributions with “exponential-like” tails.

The probability density for the Gumbel distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{e^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}}{\beta} e^{-e^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mode, a location parameter, and  $\beta$  is the scale parameter.

The Gumbel (named for German mathematician Emil Julius Gumbel) was used very early in the hydrology literature, for modeling the occurrence of flood events. It is also used for modeling maximum wind speed and rainfall rates. It is a “fat-tailed” distribution - the probability of an event in the tail of the distribution is larger than if one used a Gaussian, hence the surprisingly frequent occurrence of 100-year floods. Floods were initially modeled as a Gaussian process, which underestimated the frequency of extreme events.

It is one of a class of extreme value distributions, the Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions, which also includes the Weibull and Frechet.

The function has a mean of  $\mu + 0.57721\beta$  and a variance of  $\frac{\pi^2}{6}\beta^2$ .

## References

[1], [2]

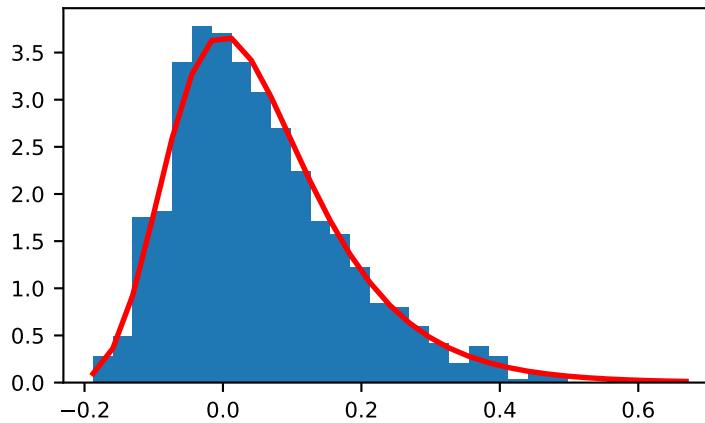
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> mu, beta = 0, 0.1 # location and scale
>>> s = rng.gumbel(mu, beta, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, (1/beta)*np.exp(-(bins - mu)/beta),
...           * np.exp( -np.exp( -(bins - mu) /beta) ),
...           linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



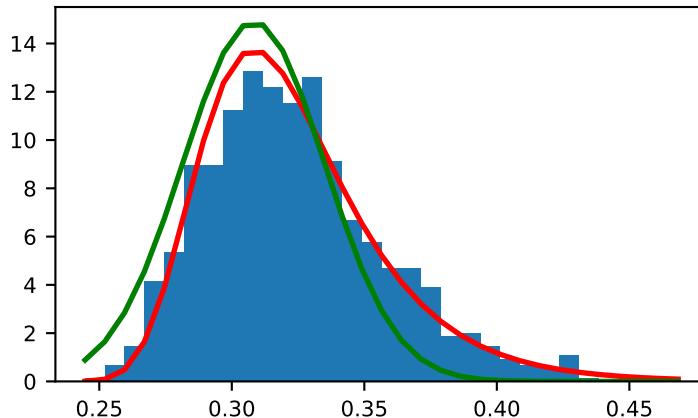
Show how an extreme value distribution can arise from a Gaussian process and compare to a Gaussian:

```
>>> means = []
>>> maxima = []
>>> for i in range(0,1000) :
...     a = rng.normal(mu, beta, 1000)
...     means.append(a.mean())
...     maxima.append(a.max())
```

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```
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(maxima, 30, density=True)
>>> beta = np.std(maxima) * np.sqrt(6) / np.pi
>>> mu = np.mean(maxima) - 0.57721*beta
>>> plt.plot(bins, (1/beta)*np.exp(-(bins - mu)/beta),
...             * np.exp(-np.exp(-(bins - mu)/beta)),
...             linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.plot(bins, 1/(beta * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi))
...             * np.exp(-(bins - mu)**2 / (2 * beta**2)),
...             linewidth=2, color='g')
>>> plt.show()
```

**method**`random.Generator.hypergeometric (ngood, nbad, nsample, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Hypergeometric distribution.

Samples are drawn from a hypergeometric distribution with specified parameters, `ngood` (ways to make a good selection), `nbad` (ways to make a bad selection), and `nsample` (number of items sampled, which is less than or equal to the sum `ngood` + `nbad`).

**Parameters****ngood**

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of ways to make a good selection. Must be nonnegative and less than  $10^{**9}$ .

**nbad**

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of ways to make a bad selection. Must be nonnegative and less than  $10^{**9}$ .

**nsample**

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of items sampled. Must be nonnegative and less than `ngood` + `nbad`.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `ngood`, `nbad`, and `nsample` are all scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(ngood, nbad, nsample)`. `size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized hypergeometric distribution. Each sample is the number of good items within a randomly selected subset of size `nsample` taken from a set of `ngood` good items and `nbad` bad items.

## See also:

### `multivariate_hypergeometric`

Draw samples from the multivariate hypergeometric distribution.

### `scipy.stats.hypergeom`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

## Notes

The probability density for the Hypergeometric distribution is

$$P(x) = \frac{\binom{g}{x} \binom{b}{n-x}}{\binom{g+b}{n}},$$

where  $0 \leq x \leq n$  and  $n - b \leq x \leq g$

for  $P(x)$  the probability of  $x$  good results in the drawn sample,  $g = ngood$ ,  $b = nbad$ , and  $n = nsample$ .

Consider an urn with black and white marbles in it, `ngood` of them are black and `nbad` are white. If you draw `nsample` balls without replacement, then the hypergeometric distribution describes the distribution of black balls in the drawn sample.

Note that this distribution is very similar to the binomial distribution, except that in this case, samples are drawn without replacement, whereas in the Binomial case samples are drawn with replacement (or the sample space is infinite). As the sample space becomes large, this distribution approaches the binomial.

The arguments `ngood` and `nbad` each must be less than `10**9`. For extremely large arguments, the algorithm that is used to compute the samples [4] breaks down because of loss of precision in floating point calculations. For such large values, if `nsample` is not also large, the distribution can be approximated with the binomial distribution, `binomial(n=nsample, p=ngood/(ngood + nbad))`.

## References

[1], [2], [3], [4]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> ngood, nbad, nsamp = 100, 2, 10
# number of good, number of bad, and number of samples
>>> s = rng.hypergeometric(ngood, nbad, nsamp, 1000)
>>> from matplotlib.pyplot import hist
>>> hist(s)
# note that it is very unlikely to grab both bad items
```

Suppose you have an urn with 15 white and 15 black marbles. If you pull 15 marbles at random, how likely is it that 12 or more of them are one color?

```
>>> s = rng.hypergeometric(15, 15, 15, 100000)
>>> sum(s>=12)/100000. + sum(s<=3)/100000.
# answer = 0.003 ... pretty unlikely!
```

method

`random.Generator.laplace(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from the Laplace or double exponential distribution with specified location (or mean) and scale (decay).

The Laplace distribution is similar to the Gaussian/normal distribution, but is sharper at the peak and has fatter tails. It represents the difference between two independent, identically distributed exponential random variables.

### Parameters

#### loc

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The position,  $\mu$ , of the distribution peak. Default is 0.

#### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional]  $\lambda$ , the exponential decay. Default is 1. Must be non-negative.

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if loc and scale are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Laplace distribution.

## Notes

It has the probability density function

$$f(x; \mu, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \exp\left(-\frac{|x - \mu|}{\lambda}\right).$$

The first law of Laplace, from 1774, states that the frequency of an error can be expressed as an exponential function of the absolute magnitude of the error, which leads to the Laplace distribution. For many problems in economics and health sciences, this distribution seems to model the data better than the standard Gaussian distribution.

## References

[1], [2], [3], [4]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution

```
>>> loc, scale = 0., 1.
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().laplace(loc, scale, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> x = np.arange(-8., 8., .01)
>>> pdf = np.exp(-abs(x-loc)/scale)/(2.*scale)
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf)
```

Plot Gaussian for comparison:

```
>>> g = (1/(scale * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)) *
...       np.exp(-(x - loc)**2 / (2 * scale**2)))
>>> plt.plot(x, g)
```

method

`random.Generator.logistic(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a logistic distribution.

Samples are drawn from a logistic distribution with specified parameters, loc (location or mean, also median), and scale (>0).

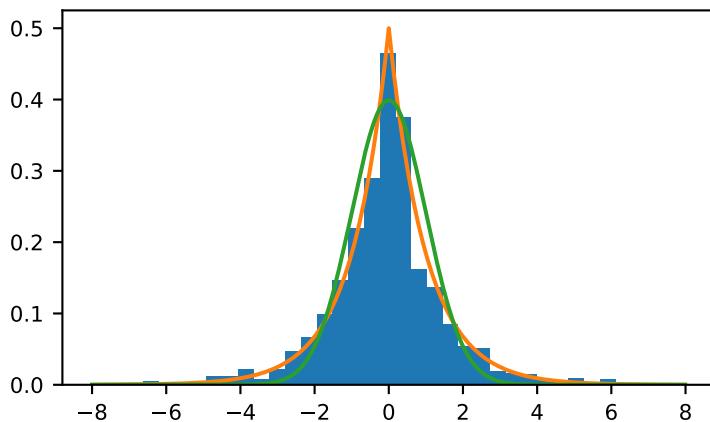
### Parameters

#### loc

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Parameter of the distribution. Default is 0.

#### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Parameter of the distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `loc` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized logistic distribution.

**See also:**[scipy.stats.logistic](#)

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Logistic distribution is

$$P(x) = P(x) = \frac{e^{-(x-\mu)/s}}{s(1+e^{-(x-\mu)/s})^2},$$

where  $\mu$  = location and  $s$  = scale.

The Logistic distribution is used in Extreme Value problems where it can act as a mixture of Gumbel distributions, in Epidemiology, and by the World Chess Federation (FIDE) where it is used in the Elo ranking system, assuming the performance of each player is a logistically distributed random variable.

## References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#), [\[3\]](#)

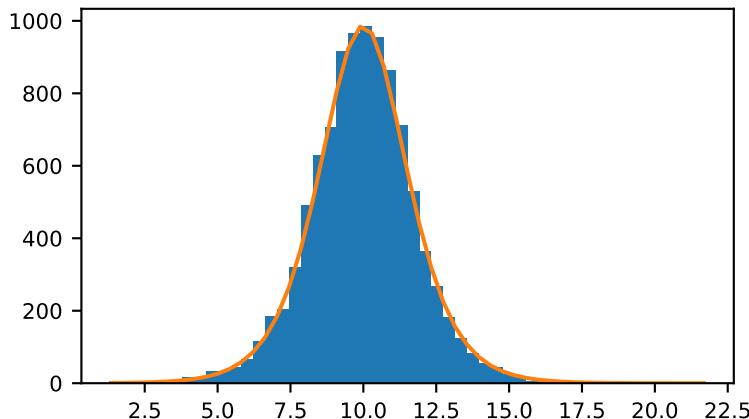
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> loc, scale = 10, 1
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().logistic(loc, scale, 10000)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, bins=50)
```

# plot against distribution

```
>>> def logist(x, loc, scale):
...     return np.exp((loc-x)/scale)/(scale*(1+np.exp((loc-x)/scale))**2)
>>> lgst_val = logist(bins, loc, scale)
>>> plt.plot(bins, lgst_val * count.max() / lgst_val.max())
>>> plt.show()
```



### method

`random.Generator.lognormal(mean=0.0, sigma=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a log-normal distribution.

Draw samples from a log-normal distribution with specified mean, standard deviation, and array shape. Note that the mean and standard deviation are not the values for the distribution itself, but of the underlying normal distribution it is derived from.

### Parameters

#### mean

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Mean value of the underlying normal distribution. Default is 0.

**sigma**

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Standard deviation of the underlying normal distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if mean and sigma are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(mean, sigma).size samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized log-normal distribution.

**See also:****scipy.stats.lognorm**

probability density function, distribution, cumulative density function, etc.

**Notes**

A variable  $x$  has a log-normal distribution if  $\log(x)$  is normally distributed. The probability density function for the log-normal distribution is:

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma x \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{(-\frac{(\ln(x)-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})}$$

where  $\mu$  is the mean and  $\sigma$  is the standard deviation of the normally distributed logarithm of the variable. A log-normal distribution results if a random variable is the *product* of a large number of independent, identically-distributed variables in the same way that a normal distribution results if the variable is the *sum* of a large number of independent, identically-distributed variables.

**References**

[1], [2]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

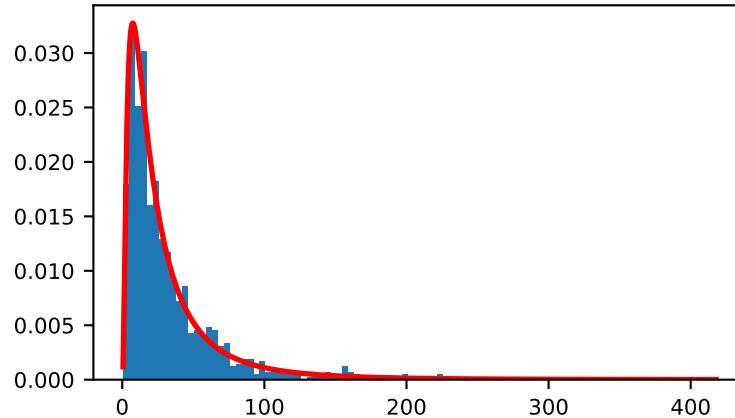
```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> mu, sigma = 3., 1. # mean and standard deviation
>>> s = rng.lognormal(mu, sigma, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 100, density=True, align='mid')
```

```
>>> x = np.linspace(min(bins), max(bins), 10000)
>>> pdf = (np.exp(-(np.log(x) - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2))
...         / (x * sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)))
```

```
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.axis('tight')
>>> plt.show()
```



Demonstrate that taking the products of random samples from a uniform distribution can be fit well by a log-normal probability density function.

```
>>> # Generate a thousand samples: each is the product of 100 random
>>> # values, drawn from a normal distribution.
>>> rng = rng
>>> b = []
>>> for i in range(1000):
...     a = 10. + rng.standard_normal(100)
...     b.append(np.product(a))
```

```
>>> b = np.array(b) / np.min(b) # scale values to be positive
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(b, 100, density=True, align='mid')
>>> sigma = np.std(np.log(b))
>>> mu = np.mean(np.log(b))
```

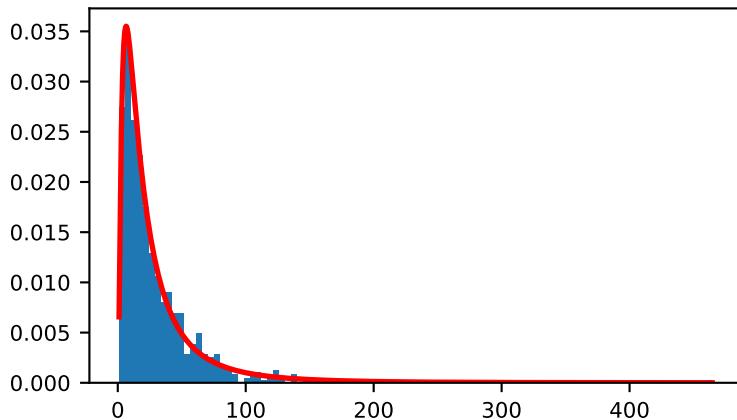
```
>>> x = np.linspace(min(bins), max(bins), 10000)
>>> pdf = (np.exp(-(np.log(x) - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2))
...         / (x * sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)))
```

```
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf, color='r', linewidth=2)
>>> plt.show()
```

method

`random.Generator.logseries(p, size=None)`

Draw samples from a logarithmic series distribution.



Samples are drawn from a log series distribution with specified shape parameter,  $0 < p < 1$ .

## Parameters

### p

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape parameter for the distribution. Must be in the range (0, 1).

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if p is a scalar. Otherwise, np.array(p).size samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized logarithmic series distribution.

## See also:

### [scipy.stats.logser](#)

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

## Notes

The probability mass function for the Log Series distribution is

$$P(k) = \frac{-p^k}{k \ln(1-p)},$$

where p = probability.

The log series distribution is frequently used to represent species richness and occurrence, first proposed by Fisher, Corbet, and Williams in 1943 [2]. It may also be used to model the numbers of occupants seen in cars [3].

## References

[1], [2], [3], [4]

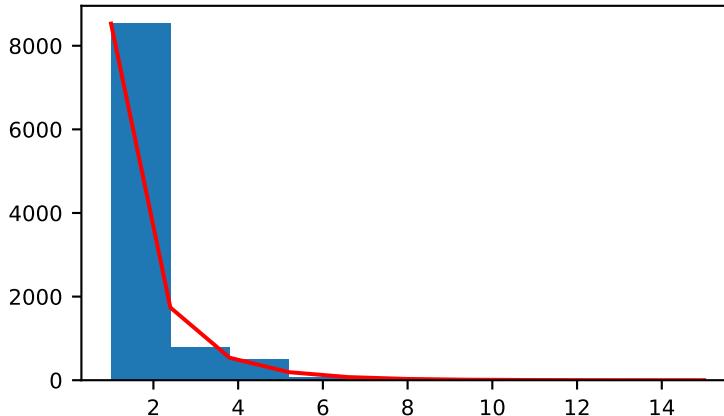
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = .6
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().logseries(a, 10000)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s)
```

# plot against distribution

```
>>> def logseries(k, p):
...     return -p**k/(k*np.log(1-p))
>>> plt.plot(bins, logseries(bins, a) * count.max() /
...             logseries(bins, a).max(), 'r')
>>> plt.show()
```



## method

random.Generator.**multinomial**(*n*, *pvals*, *size=None*)

Draw samples from a multinomial distribution.

The multinomial distribution is a multivariate generalization of the binomial distribution. Take an experiment with one of *p* possible outcomes. An example of such an experiment is throwing a dice, where the outcome can be 1 through 6. Each sample drawn from the distribution represents *n* such experiments. Its values,  $X_{-i} = [X_0, X_1, \dots, X_p]$ , represent the number of times the outcome was *i*.

### Parameters

#### **n**

[int or array-like of ints] Number of experiments.

**pvals**

[array-like of floats] Probabilities of each of the  $p$  different outcomes with shape  $(k_0, k_1, \dots, k_n, p)$ . Each element  $pvals[i, j, \dots, :]$  must sum to 1 (however, the last element is always assumed to account for the remaining probability, as long as  $\text{sum}(pvals[:, \dots, :-1], \text{axis}=-1) \leq 1.0$ ). Must have at least 1 dimension where  $pvals.shape[-1] > 0$ .

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g.,  $(m, n, k)$ , then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn each with  $p$  elements. Default is None where the output size is determined by the broadcast shape of  $n$  and all by the final dimension of  $pvals$ , which is denoted as  $b = (b_0, b_1, \dots, b_q)$ . If size is not None, then it must be compatible with the broadcast shape  $b$ . Specifically, size must have  $q$  or more elements and  $\text{size}[-(q-j):]$  must equal  $b_j$ .

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The drawn samples, of shape size, if provided. When size is provided, the output shape is size + (p,) If not specified, the shape is determined by the broadcast shape of  $n$  and  $pvals$ ,  $(b_0, b_1, \dots, b_q)$  augmented with the dimension of the multinomial,  $p$ , so that that output shape is  $(b_0, b_1, \dots, b_q, p)$ .

Each entry  $\text{out}[i, j, \dots, :]$  is a  $p$ -dimensional value drawn from the distribution.

**Examples**

Throw a dice 20 times:

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> rng.multinomial(20, [1/6.]**6, size=1)
array([[4, 1, 7, 5, 2, 1]]) # random
```

It landed 4 times on 1, once on 2, etc.

Now, throw the dice 20 times, and 20 times again:

```
>>> rng.multinomial(20, [1/6.]**6, size=2)
array([[3, 4, 3, 3, 4, 3],
       [2, 4, 3, 4, 0, 7]]) # random
```

For the first run, we threw 3 times 1, 4 times 2, etc. For the second, we threw 2 times 1, 4 times 2, etc.

Now, do one experiment throwing the dice 10 time, and 10 times again, and another throwing the dice 20 times, and 20 times again:

```
>>> rng.multinomial([[10], [20]], [1/6.]**6, size=(2, 2))
array([[[2, 4, 0, 1, 2, 1],
         [1, 3, 0, 3, 1, 2]],
        [[1, 4, 4, 4, 4, 3],
         [3, 3, 2, 5, 5, 2]]]) # random
```

The first array shows the outcomes of throwing the dice 10 times, and the second shows the outcomes from throwing the dice 20 times.

A loaded die is more likely to land on number 6:

```
>>> rng.multinomial(100, [1/7.*5 + [2/7.]])
array([11, 16, 14, 17, 16, 26]) # random
```

Simulate 10 throws of a 4-sided die and 20 throws of a 6-sided die

```
>>> rng.multinomial([10, 20], [[1/4]*4 + [0]*2, [1/6]*6])
array([[2, 1, 4, 3, 0, 0],
       [3, 3, 3, 6, 1, 4]]], dtype=int64) # random
```

Generate categorical random variates from two categories where the first has 3 outcomes and the second has 2.

```
>>> rng.multinomial(1, [[.1, .5, .4], [.3, .7, .0]])
array([[0, 0, 1],
       [0, 1, 0]]], dtype=int64) # random
```

`argmax(axis=-1)` is then used to return the categories.

```
>>> pvals = [[.1, .5, .4], [.3, .7, .0]]
>>> rvs = rng.multinomial(1, pvals, size=(4,2))
>>> rvs.argmax(axis=-1)
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 0],
       [2, 1],
       [2, 0]]], dtype=int64) # random
```

The same output dimension can be produced using broadcasting.

```
>>> rvs = rng.multinomial([[1]] * 4, pvals)
>>> rvs.argmax(axis=-1)
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 0],
       [2, 1],
       [2, 0]]], dtype=int64) # random
```

The probability inputs should be normalized. As an implementation detail, the value of the last entry is ignored and assumed to take up any leftover probability mass, but this should not be relied on. A biased coin which has twice as much weight on one side as on the other should be sampled like so:

```
>>> rng.multinomial(100, [1.0 / 3, 2.0 / 3]) # RIGHT
array([38, 62]) # random
```

not like:

```
>>> rng.multinomial(100, [1.0, 2.0]) # WRONG
Traceback (most recent call last):
ValueError: pvals < 0, pvals > 1 or pvals contains NaNs
```

method

`random.Generator.multivariate_hypergeometric(colors, nsample, size=None, method='marginals')`

Generate variates from a multivariate hypergeometric distribution.

The multivariate hypergeometric distribution is a generalization of the hypergeometric distribution.

Choose `nsample` items at random without replacement from a collection with `N` distinct types. `N` is the length of `colors`, and the values in `colors` are the number of occurrences of that type in the collection. The total number of items in the collection is `sum(colors)`. Each random variate generated by this function is a vector of length `N` holding the counts of the different types that occurred in the `nsample` items.

The name `colors` comes from a common description of the distribution: it is the probability distribution of the number of marbles of each color selected without replacement from an urn containing marbles of different colors; `colors[i]` is the number of marbles in the urn with color `i`.

### Parameters

#### `colors`

[sequence of integers] The number of each type of item in the collection from which a sample is drawn. The values in `colors` must be nonnegative. To avoid loss of precision in the algorithm, `sum(colors)` must be less than `10**9` when `method` is “marginals”.

#### `nsample`

[int] The number of items selected. `nsample` must not be greater than `sum(colors)`.

#### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] The number of variates to generate, either an integer or a tuple holding the shape of the array of variates. If the given size is, e.g., `(k, m)`, then `k * m` variates are drawn, where one variate is a vector of length `len(colors)`, and the return value has shape `(k, m, len(colors))`. If `size` is an integer, the output has shape `(size, len(colors))`. Default is `None`, in which case a single variate is returned as an array with shape `(len(colors), )`.

#### `method`

[string, optional] Specify the algorithm that is used to generate the variates. Must be ‘count’ or ‘marginals’ (the default). See the Notes for a description of the methods.

### Returns

#### `variates`

[ndarray] Array of variates drawn from the multivariate hypergeometric distribution.

### See also:

#### [`hypergeometric`](#)

Draw samples from the (univariate) hypergeometric distribution.

### Notes

The two methods do not return the same sequence of variates.

The “count” algorithm is roughly equivalent to the following numpy code:

```
choices = np.repeat(np.arange(len(colors)), colors)
selection = np.random.choice(choices, nsample, replace=False)
variante = np.bincount(selection, minlength=len(colors))
```

The “count” algorithm uses a temporary array of integers with length `sum(colors)`.

The “marginals” algorithm generates a variate by using repeated calls to the univariate hypergeometric sampler. It is roughly equivalent to:

```

variate = np.zeros(len(colors), dtype=np.int64)
# `remaining` is the cumulative sum of `colors` from the last
# element to the first; e.g. if `colors` is [3, 1, 5], then
# `remaining` is [9, 6, 5].
remaining = np.cumsum(colors[::-1])[::-1]
for i in range(len(colors)-1):
    if nsample < 1:
        break
    variate[i] = hypergeometric(colors[i], remaining[i+1],
                                 nsample)
    nsample -= variate[i]
variate[-1] = nsample

```

The default method is “marginals”. For some cases (e.g. when *colors* contains relatively small integers), the “count” method can be significantly faster than the “marginals” method. If performance of the algorithm is important, test the two methods with typical inputs to decide which works best.

New in version 1.18.0.

## Examples

```

>>> colors = [16, 8, 4]
>>> seed = 4861946401452
>>> gen = np.random.Generator(np.random.PCG64(seed))
>>> gen.multivariate_hypergeometric(colors, 6)
array([5, 0, 1])
>>> gen.multivariate_hypergeometric(colors, 6, size=3)
array([[5, 0, 1],
       [2, 2, 2],
       [3, 3, 0]])
>>> gen.multivariate_hypergeometric(colors, 6, size=(2, 2))
array([[ [3, 2, 1],
          [3, 2, 1]],
         [[4, 1, 1],
          [3, 2, 1]]])

```

method

```
random.Generator.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, size=None, check_valid='warn', tol=1e-8, *,  
method='svd')
```

Draw random samples from a multivariate normal distribution.

The multivariate normal, multinormal or Gaussian distribution is a generalization of the one-dimensional normal distribution to higher dimensions. Such a distribution is specified by its mean and covariance matrix. These parameters are analogous to the mean (average or “center”) and variance (standard deviation, or “width,” squared) of the one-dimensional normal distribution.

### Parameters

#### mean

[1-D array\_like, of length N] Mean of the N-dimensional distribution.

#### cov

[2-D array\_like, of shape (N, N)] Covariance matrix of the distribution. It must be symmetric and positive-semidefinite for proper sampling.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Given a shape of, for example,  $(m, n, k)$ ,  $m * n * k$  samples are generated, and packed in an  $m$ -by- $n$ -by- $k$  arrangement. Because each sample is  $N$ -dimensional, the output shape is  $(m, n, k, N)$ . If no shape is specified, a single ( $N$ -D) sample is returned.

**check\_valid**

[{‘warn’, ‘raise’, ‘ignore’ }, optional] Behavior when the covariance matrix is not positive semidefinite.

**tol**

[float, optional] Tolerance when checking the singular values in covariance matrix. cov is cast to double before the check.

**method**

[{‘svd’, ‘eigh’, ‘cholesky’}, optional] The cov input is used to compute a factor matrix A such that  $A @ A.T = cov$ . This argument is used to select the method used to compute the factor matrix A. The default method ‘svd’ is the slowest, while ‘cholesky’ is the fastest but less robust than the slowest method. The method *eigh* uses eigen decomposition to compute A and is faster than svd but slower than cholesky.

New in version 1.18.0.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The drawn samples, of shape size, if that was provided. If not, the shape is  $(N, )$ .

In other words, each entry `out[i, j, ..., :]` is an  $N$ -dimensional value drawn from the distribution.

**Notes**

The mean is a coordinate in  $N$ -dimensional space, which represents the location where samples are most likely to be generated. This is analogous to the peak of the bell curve for the one-dimensional or univariate normal distribution.

Covariance indicates the level to which two variables vary together. From the multivariate normal distribution, we draw  $N$ -dimensional samples,  $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N]$ . The covariance matrix element  $C_{ij}$  is the covariance of  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ . The element  $C_{ii}$  is the variance of  $x_i$  (i.e. its “spread”).

Instead of specifying the full covariance matrix, popular approximations include:

- Spherical covariance (`cov` is a multiple of the identity matrix)
- Diagonal covariance (`cov` has non-negative elements, and only on the diagonal)

This geometrical property can be seen in two dimensions by plotting generated data-points:

```
>>> mean = [0, 0]
>>> cov = [[1, 0], [0, 100]] # diagonal covariance
```

Diagonal covariance means that points are oriented along x or y-axis:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x, y = np.random.default_rng().multivariate_normal(mean, cov, 5000).T
>>> plt.plot(x, y, 'x')
```

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```
>>> plt.axis('equal')
>>> plt.show()
```

Note that the covariance matrix must be positive semidefinite (a.k.a. nonnegative-definite). Otherwise, the behavior of this method is undefined and backwards compatibility is not guaranteed.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> mean = (1, 2)
>>> cov = [[1, 0], [0, 1]]
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> x = rng.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, (3, 3))
>>> x.shape
(3, 3, 2)
```

We can use a different method other than the default to factorize cov:

```
>>> y = rng.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, (3, 3), method='cholesky')
>>> y.shape
(3, 3, 2)
```

Here we generate 800 samples from the bivariate normal distribution with mean [0, 0] and covariance matrix [[6, -3], [-3, 3.5]]. The expected variances of the first and second components of the sample are 6 and 3.5, respectively, and the expected correlation coefficient is  $-3/\sqrt{6*3.5} \approx -0.65465$ .

```
>>> cov = np.array([[6, -3], [-3, 3.5]])
>>> pts = rng.multivariate_normal([0, 0], cov, size=800)
```

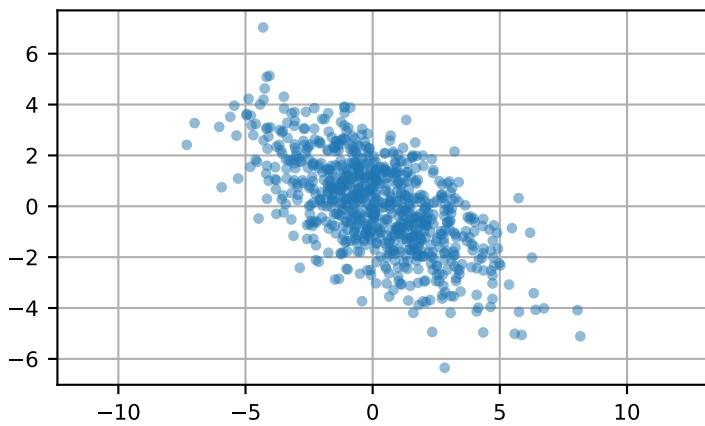
Check that the mean, covariance, and correlation coefficient of the sample are close to the expected values:

```
>>> pts.mean(axis=0)
array([ 0.0326911 , -0.01280782]) # may vary
>>> np.cov(pts.T)
array([[ 5.96202397, -2.85602287],
       [-2.85602287,  3.47613949]]) # may vary
>>> np.corrcoef(pts.T)[0, 1]
-0.6273591314603949 # may vary
```

We can visualize this data with a scatter plot. The orientation of the point cloud illustrates the negative correlation of the components of this sample.

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.plot(pts[:, 0], pts[:, 1], '.', alpha=0.5)
>>> plt.axis('equal')
>>> plt.grid()
>>> plt.show()
```

method



```
random.Generator.negative_binomial(n, p, size=None)
```

Draw samples from a negative binomial distribution.

Samples are drawn from a negative binomial distribution with specified parameters,  $n$  successes and  $p$  probability of success where  $n$  is  $> 0$  and  $p$  is in the interval  $(0, 1]$ .

### Parameters

#### n

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution,  $> 0$ .

#### p

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution. Must satisfy  $0 < p \leq 1$ .

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g.,  $(m, n, k)$ , then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if n and p are both scalars. Otherwise,  $\text{np.broadcast}(n, p).size$  samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized negative binomial distribution, where each sample is equal to N, the number of failures that occurred before a total of n successes was reached.

## Notes

The probability mass function of the negative binomial distribution is

$$P(N; n, p) = \frac{\Gamma(N+n)}{N!\Gamma(n)} p^n (1-p)^N,$$

where  $n$  is the number of successes,  $p$  is the probability of success,  $N + n$  is the number of trials, and  $\Gamma$  is the gamma function. When  $n$  is an integer,  $\frac{\Gamma(N+n)}{N!\Gamma(n)} = \binom{N+n-1}{N}$ , which is the more common form of this term in the pmf. The negative binomial distribution gives the probability of  $N$  failures given  $n$  successes, with a success on the last trial.

If one throws a die repeatedly until the third time a “1” appears, then the probability distribution of the number of non-“1”’s that appear before the third “1” is a negative binomial distribution.

Because this method internally calls `Generator.poisson` with an intermediate random value, a `ValueError` is raised when the choice of  $n$  and  $p$  would result in the mean + 10 sigma of the sampled intermediate distribution exceeding the max acceptable value of the `Generator.poisson` method. This happens when  $p$  is too low (a lot of failures happen for every success) and  $n$  is too big (a lot of successes are allowed). Therefore, the  $n$  and  $p$  values must satisfy the constraint:

$$n \frac{1-p}{p} + 10n\sqrt{n} \frac{1-p}{p} < 2^{63} - 1 - 10\sqrt{2^{63} - 1},$$

Where the left side of the equation is the derived mean + 10 sigma of a sample from the gamma distribution internally used as the `lam` parameter of a `poisson` sample, and the right side of the equation is the constraint for maximum value of `lam` in `Generator.poisson`.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

A real world example. A company drills wild-cat oil exploration wells, each with an estimated probability of success of 0.1. What is the probability of having one success for each successive well, that is what is the probability of a single success after drilling 5 wells, after 6 wells, etc.?

```
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().negative_binomial(1, 0.1, 100000)
>>> for i in range(1, 11):
...     probability = sum(s<i) / 100000.
...     print(i, "wells drilled, probability of one success =", probability)
```

method

`random.Generator.noncentral_chisquare(df, nonc, size=None)`

Draw samples from a noncentral chi-square distribution.

The noncentral  $\chi^2$  distribution is a generalization of the  $\chi^2$  distribution.

### Parameters

#### df

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom, must be  $> 0$ .

Changed in version 1.10.0: Earlier NumPy versions required `dfnum`  $> 1$ .

**nonc**

[float or array\_like of floats] Non-centrality, must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if df and nonc are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(df, nonc).size samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized noncentral chi-square distribution.

**Notes**

The probability density function for the noncentral Chi-square distribution is

$$P(x; df, nonc) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-nonc/2} (nonc/2)^i}{i!} P_{Y_{df+2i}}(x),$$

where  $Y_q$  is the Chi-square with q degrees of freedom.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram

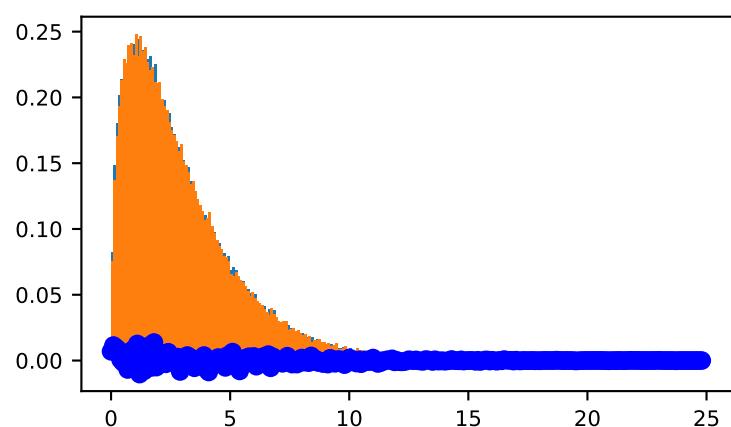
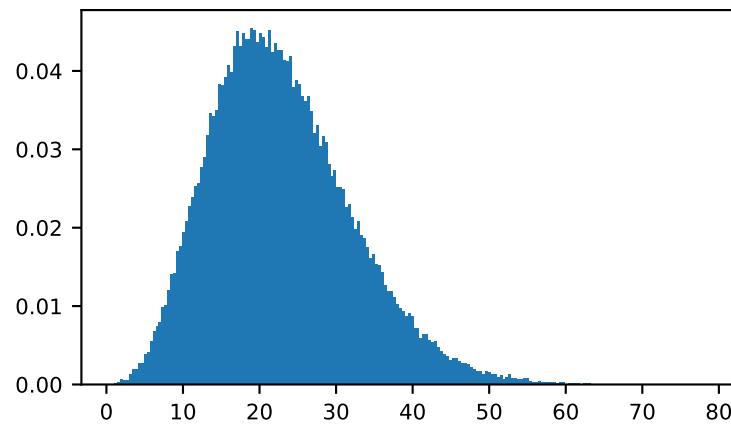
```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> values = plt.hist(rng.noncentral_chisquare(3, 20, 100000),
...                     bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```

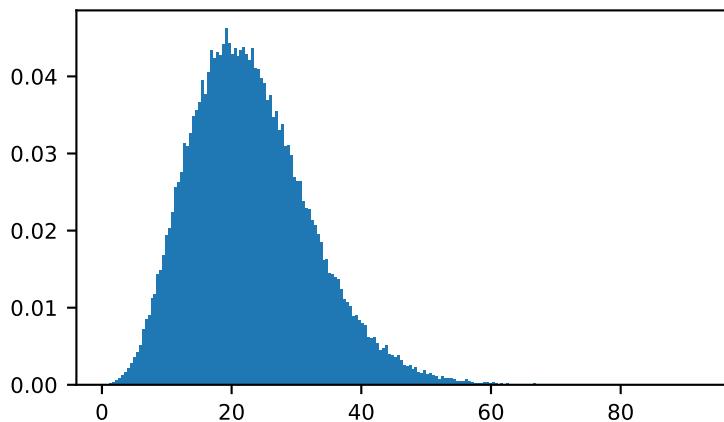
Draw values from a noncentral chisquare with very small noncentrality, and compare to a chisquare.

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> values = plt.hist(rng.noncentral_chisquare(3, .0000001, 100000),
...                     bins=np.arange(0., 25, .1), density=True)
>>> values2 = plt.hist(rng.chisquare(3, 100000),
...                     bins=np.arange(0., 25, .1), density=True)
>>> plt.plot(values[1][0:-1], values[0]-values2[0], 'ob')
>>> plt.show()
```

Demonstrate how large values of non-centrality lead to a more symmetric distribution.

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> values = plt.hist(rng.noncentral_chisquare(3, 20, 100000),
...                     bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```





## method

```
random.Generator.noncentral_f(dfnum, dfden, nonc, size=None)
```

Draw samples from the noncentral F distribution.

Samples are drawn from an F distribution with specified parameters, *dfnum* (degrees of freedom in numerator) and *dfden* (degrees of freedom in denominator), where both parameters  $> 1$ . *nonc* is the non-centrality parameter.

### Parameters

#### dfnum

[float or array\_like of floats] Numerator degrees of freedom, must be  $> 0$ .

Changed in version 1.14.0: Earlier NumPy versions required dfnum  $> 1$ .

#### dfden

[float or array\_like of floats] Denominator degrees of freedom, must be  $> 0$ .

#### nonc

[float or array\_like of floats] Non-centrality parameter, the sum of the squares of the numerator means, must be  $\geq 0$ .

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if dfnum, dfden, and nonc are all scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(dfnum, dfden, nonc).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized noncentral Fisher distribution.

## Notes

When calculating the power of an experiment (power = probability of rejecting the null hypothesis when a specific alternative is true) the non-central F statistic becomes important. When the null hypothesis is true, the F statistic follows a central F distribution. When the null hypothesis is not true, then it follows a non-central F statistic.

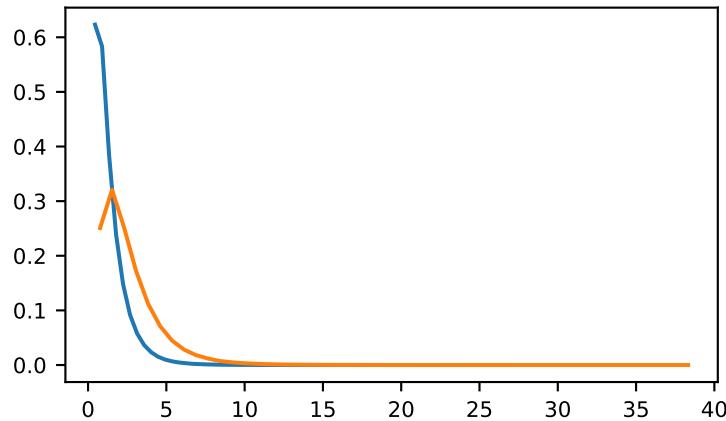
## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

In a study, testing for a specific alternative to the null hypothesis requires use of the Noncentral F distribution. We need to calculate the area in the tail of the distribution that exceeds the value of the F distribution for the null hypothesis. We'll plot the two probability distributions for comparison.

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> dfnum = 3 # between group deg of freedom
>>> dfden = 20 # within groups degrees of freedom
>>> nonc = 3.0
>>> nc_vals = rng.noncentral_f(dfnum, dfden, nonc, 1000000)
>>> NF = np.histogram(nc_vals, bins=50, density=True)
>>> c_vals = rng.f(dfnum, dfden, 1000000)
>>> F = np.histogram(c_vals, bins=50, density=True)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.plot(F[1][1:], F[0])
>>> plt.plot(NF[1][1:], NF[0])
>>> plt.show()
```



method

`random.Generator.normal(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw random samples from a normal (Gaussian) distribution.

The probability density function of the normal distribution, first derived by De Moivre and 200 years later by both Gauss and Laplace independently [2], is often called the bell curve because of its characteristic shape (see the example below).

The normal distributions occurs often in nature. For example, it describes the commonly occurring distribution of samples influenced by a large number of tiny, random disturbances, each with its own unique distribution [2].

### Parameters

#### loc

[float or array\_like of floats] Mean (“centre”) of the distribution.

#### scale

[float or array\_like of floats] Standard deviation (spread or “width”) of the distribution. Must be non-negative.

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `loc` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized normal distribution.

### See also:

#### `scipy.stats.norm`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### Notes

The probability density for the Gaussian distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mean and  $\sigma$  the standard deviation. The square of the standard deviation,  $\sigma^2$ , is called the variance.

The function has its peak at the mean, and its “spread” increases with the standard deviation (the function reaches 0.607 times its maximum at  $x + \sigma$  and  $x - \sigma$  [2]). This implies that `normal` is more likely to return samples lying close to the mean, rather than those far away.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, sigma = 0, 0.1 # mean and standard deviation
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().normal(mu, sigma, 1000)
```

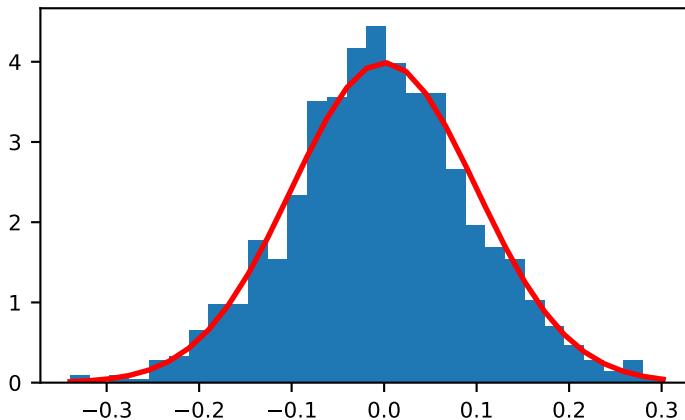
Verify the mean and the variance:

```
>>> abs(mu - np.mean(s))
0.0 # may vary
```

```
>>> abs(sigma - np.std(s, ddof=1))
0.0 # may vary
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, 1/(sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)) *
...           np.exp( - (bins - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2) ),
...           linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



Two-by-four array of samples from  $N(3, 6.25)$ :

```
>>> np.random.default_rng().normal(3, 2.5, size=(2, 4))
array([[-4.49401501,  4.00950034, -1.81814867,  7.29718677],      # random
       [ 0.39924804,  4.68456316,  4.99394529,  4.84057254]]) # random
```

method

`random.Generator.pareto(a, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Pareto II or Lomax distribution with specified shape.

The Lomax or Pareto II distribution is a shifted Pareto distribution. The classical Pareto distribution can be obtained from the Lomax distribution by adding 1 and multiplying by the scale parameter  $m$  (see Notes). The smallest value of the Lomax distribution is zero while for the classical Pareto distribution it is  $\mu$ , where the standard Pareto distribution has location  $\mu = 1$ . Lomax can also be considered as a simplified version of the Generalized Pareto distribution (available in SciPy), with the scale set to one and the location set to zero.

The Pareto distribution must be greater than zero, and is unbounded above. It is also known as the “80-20 rule”. In this distribution, 80 percent of the weights are in the lowest 20 percent of the range, while the other 20 percent fill the remaining 80 percent of the range.

### Parameters

**a**

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape of the distribution. Must be positive.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `a` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Pareto distribution.

### See also:

`scipy.stats.lomax`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

`scipy.stats.genpareto`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### Notes

The probability density for the Pareto distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{am^a}{x^{a+1}}$$

where  $a$  is the shape and  $m$  the scale.

The Pareto distribution, named after the Italian economist Vilfredo Pareto, is a power law probability distribution useful in many real world problems. Outside the field of economics it is generally referred to as the Bradford distribution. Pareto developed the distribution to describe the distribution of wealth in an economy. It has also found use in insurance, web page access statistics, oil field sizes, and many other problems, including the download frequency for projects in Sourceforge [1]. It is one of the so-called “fat-tailed” distributions.

## References

[1], [2], [3], [4]

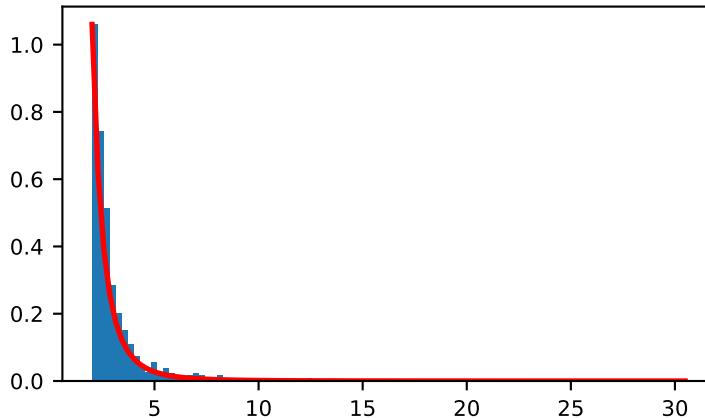
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a, m = 3., 2. # shape and mode
>>> s = (np.random.default_rng().pareto(a, 1000) + 1) * m
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, _ = plt.hist(s, 100, density=True)
>>> fit = a*m**a / bins**(a+1)
>>> plt.plot(bins, max(count)*fit/max(fit), linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



### method

`random.Generator.poisson(lam=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Poisson distribution.

The Poisson distribution is the limit of the binomial distribution for large N.

### Parameters

#### lam

[float or array\_like of floats] Expected number of events occurring in a fixed-time interval, must be  $\geq 0$ . A sequence must be broadcastable over the requested size.

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if lam is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(lam).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Poisson distribution.

**Notes**

The Poisson distribution

$$f(k; \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$

For events with an expected separation  $\lambda$  the Poisson distribution  $f(k; \lambda)$  describes the probability of  $k$  events occurring within the observed interval  $\lambda$ .

Because the output is limited to the range of the C int64 type, a ValueError is raised when *lam* is within 10 sigma of the maximum representable value.

**References**

[1], [2]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> s = rng.poisson(5, 10000)
```

Display histogram of the sample:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 14, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```

Draw each 100 values for lambda 100 and 500:

```
>>> s = rng.poisson(lam=(100., 500.), size=(100, 2))
```

method

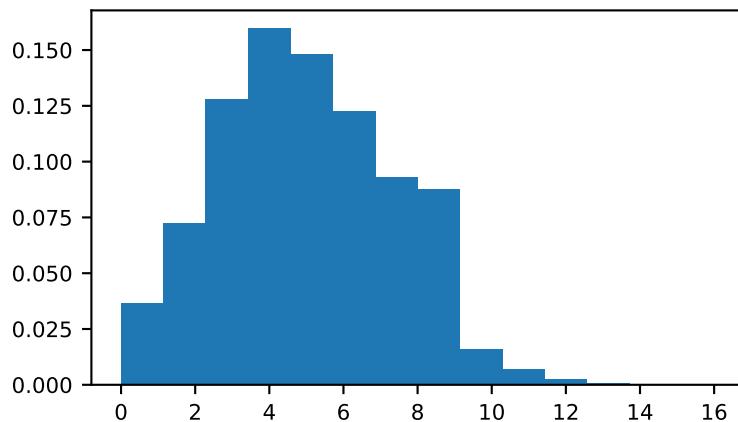
`random.Generator.power(a, size=None)`

Draws samples in [0, 1] from a power distribution with positive exponent a - 1.

Also known as the power function distribution.

**Parameters****a**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution. Must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `a` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized power distribution.

**Raises****ValueError**

If  $a \leq 0$ .

**Notes**

The probability density function is

$$P(x; a) = ax^{a-1}, 0 \leq x \leq 1, a > 0.$$

The power function distribution is just the inverse of the Pareto distribution. It may also be seen as a special case of the Beta distribution.

It is used, for example, in modeling the over-reporting of insurance claims.

## References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

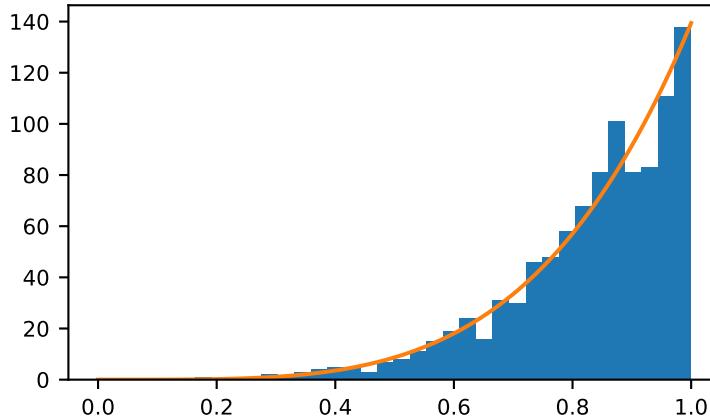
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> a = 5. # shape
>>> samples = 1000
>>> s = rng.power(a, samples)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, bins=30)
>>> x = np.linspace(0, 1, 100)
>>> y = a*x**(a-1.)
>>> normed_y = samples*np.diff(bins)[0]*y
>>> plt.plot(x, normed_y)
>>> plt.show()
```



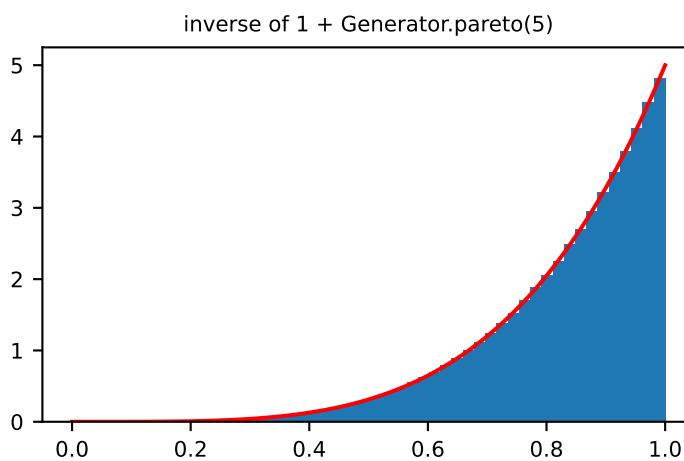
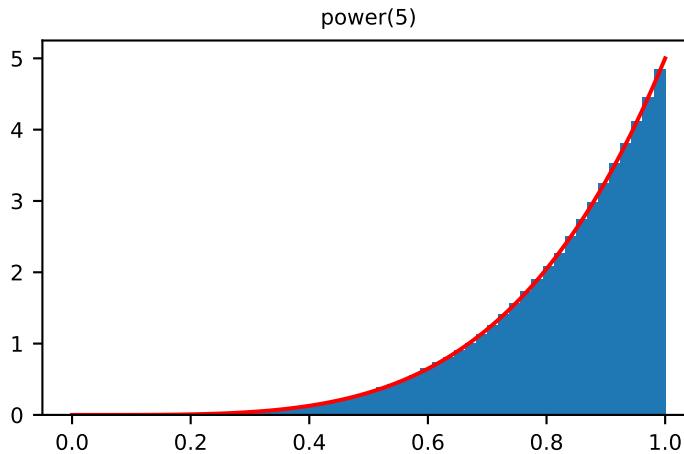
Compare the power function distribution to the inverse of the Pareto.

```
>>> from scipy import stats
>>> rvs = rng.power(5, 1000000)
>>> rvsp = rng.pareto(5, 1000000)
>>> xx = np.linspace(0, 1, 100)
>>> powpdf = stats.powerlaw.pdf(xx, 5)
```

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(rvs, bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx, powpdf, 'r-')
>>> plt.title('power(5)')
```

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(1./(1.+rvsp), bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx,powpdf,'r-')
>>> plt.title('inverse of 1 + Generator.pareto(5)')
```

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(1./(1.+rvsp), bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx,powpdf,'r-')
>>> plt.title('inverse of stats.pareto(5)')
```

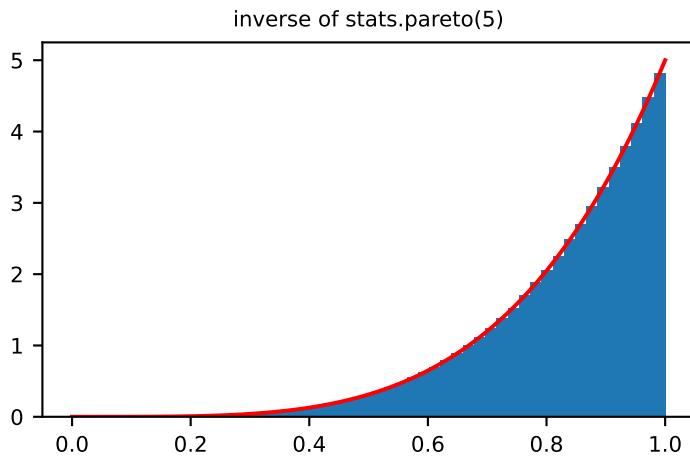


## method

`random.Generator.rayleigh(scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Rayleigh distribution.

The  $\chi$  and Weibull distributions are generalizations of the Rayleigh.



## Parameters

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Scale, also equals the mode. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if scale is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Rayleigh distribution.

## Notes

The probability density function for the Rayleigh distribution is

$$P(x; scale) = \frac{x}{scale^2} e^{\frac{-x^2}{2 \cdot scale^2}}$$

The Rayleigh distribution would arise, for example, if the East and North components of the wind velocity had identical zero-mean Gaussian distributions. Then the wind speed would have a Rayleigh distribution.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram

```
>>> from matplotlib.pyplot import hist
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> values = hist(rng.rayleigh(3, 100000), bins=200, density=True)
```

Wave heights tend to follow a Rayleigh distribution. If the mean wave height is 1 meter, what fraction of waves are likely to be larger than 3 meters?

```
>>> meanvalue = 1
>>> modevalue = np.sqrt(2 / np.pi) * meanvalue
>>> s = rng.rayleigh(modevalue, 1000000)
```

The percentage of waves larger than 3 meters is:

```
>>> 100.*sum(s>3)/1000000.
0.08730000000000003 # random
```

method

`random.Generator.standard_cauchy(size=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Cauchy distribution with mode = 0.

Also known as the Lorentz distribution.

### Parameters

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

### Returns

#### samples

[ndarray or scalar] The drawn samples.

## Notes

The probability density function for the full Cauchy distribution is

$$P(x; x_0, \gamma) = \frac{1}{\pi \gamma \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{x-x_0}{\gamma} \right)^2 \right]}$$

and the Standard Cauchy distribution just sets  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\gamma = 1$

The Cauchy distribution arises in the solution to the driven harmonic oscillator problem, and also describes spectral line broadening. It also describes the distribution of values at which a line tilted at a random angle will cut the x axis.

When studying hypothesis tests that assume normality, seeing how the tests perform on data from a Cauchy distribution is a good indicator of their sensitivity to a heavy-tailed distribution, since the Cauchy looks very much like a Gaussian distribution, but with heavier tails.

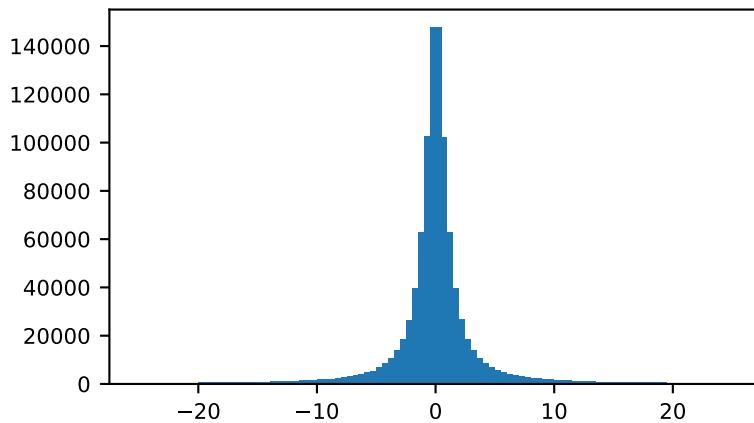
## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

Draw samples and plot the distribution:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().standard_cauchy(1000000)
>>> s = s[(s>-25) & (s<25)] # truncate distribution so it plots well
>>> plt.hist(s, bins=100)
>>> plt.show()
```



## method

`random.Generator.standard_exponential(size=None, dtype=np.float64, method='zig', out=None)`

Draw samples from the standard exponential distribution.

`standard_exponential` is identical to the exponential distribution with a scale parameter of 1.

### Parameters

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional] Desired dtype of the result, only `float64` and `float32` are supported. Byteorder must be native. The default value is `np.float64`.

**method**

[str, optional] Either ‘inv’ or ‘zig’. ‘inv’ uses the default inverse CDF method. ‘zig’ uses the much faster Ziggurat method of Marsaglia and Tsang.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. If size is not None, it must have the same shape as the provided size and must match the type of the output values.

**Returns****out**

[float or ndarray] Drawn samples.

**Examples**

Output a 3x8000 array:

```
>>> n = np.random.default_rng().standard_exponential((3, 8000))
```

**method**

`random.Generator.standard_gamma(shape, size=None, dtype=np.float64, out=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Gamma distribution.

Samples are drawn from a Gamma distribution with specified parameters, shape (sometimes designated “k”) and scale=1.

**Parameters****shape**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter, must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if shape is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(shape).size` samples are drawn.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] Desired dtype of the result, only `float64` and `float32` are supported. Byteorder must be native. The default value is `np.float64`.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. If size is not None, it must have the same shape as the provided size and must match the type of the output values.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized standard gamma distribution.

**See also:**

**scipy.stats.gamma**

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Gamma distribution is

$$p(x) = x^{k-1} \frac{e^{-x/\theta}}{\theta^k \Gamma(k)},$$

where  $k$  is the shape and  $\theta$  the scale, and  $\Gamma$  is the Gamma function.

The Gamma distribution is often used to model the times to failure of electronic components, and arises naturally in processes for which the waiting times between Poisson distributed events are relevant.

**References**

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> shape, scale = 2., 1. # mean and width
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().standard_gamma(shape, 1000000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> import scipy.special as sps
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> y = bins***(shape-1) * ((np.exp(-bins/scale))/
...                         (sps.gamma(shape) * scale**shape))
>>> plt.plot(bins, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

method

`random.Generator.standard_normal(size=None, dtype=np.float64, out=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Normal distribution (mean=0, stdev=1).

**Parameters****size**

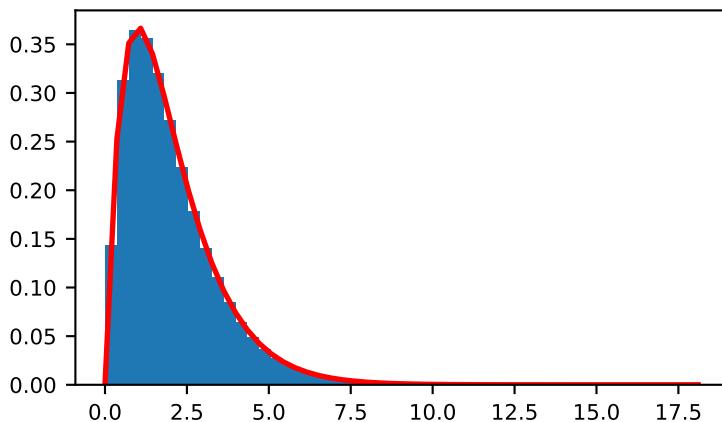
[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] Desired dtype of the result, only `float64` and `float32` are supported. Byteorder must be native. The default value is `np.float64`.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. If size is not None, it must have the same shape as the provided size and must match the type of the output values.



## Returns

### `out`

[float or ndarray] A floating-point array of shape `size` of drawn samples, or a single sample if `size` was not specified.

See also:

### `normal`

Equivalent function with additional `loc` and `scale` arguments for setting the mean and standard deviation.

## Notes

For random samples from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , use one of:

```
mu + sigma * rng.standard_normal(size=...)
rng.normal(mu, sigma, size=...)
```

## Examples

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> rng.standard_normal()
2.1923875335537315 # random
```

```
>>> s = rng.standard_normal(8000)
>>> s
array([ 0.6888893 ,  0.78096262, -0.89086505, ...,  0.49876311,  # random
       -0.38672696, -0.4685006 ])
>>> s.shape
(8000,)
>>> s = rng.standard_normal(size=(3, 4, 2))
```

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```
>>> s.shape
(3, 4, 2)
```

Two-by-four array of samples from  $N(3, 6.25)$ :

```
>>> 3 + 2.5 * rng.standard_normal(size=(2, 4))
array([[-4.49401501,  4.00950034, -1.81814867,  7.29718677],      # random
       [ 0.39924804,  4.68456316,  4.99394529,  4.84057254]])  # random
```

method

`random.Generator.standard_t(df, size=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Student's t distribution with  $df$  degrees of freedom.

A special case of the hyperbolic distribution. As  $df$  gets large, the result resembles that of the standard normal distribution (`standard_normal`).

### Parameters

#### `df`

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom, must be  $> 0$ .

#### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `df` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(df).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized standard Student's t distribution.

### Notes

The probability density function for the t distribution is

$$P(x, df) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{df+1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi df} \Gamma(\frac{df}{2})} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{df}\right)^{-(df+1)/2}$$

The t test is based on an assumption that the data come from a Normal distribution. The t test provides a way to test whether the sample mean (that is the mean calculated from the data) is a good estimate of the true mean.

The derivation of the t-distribution was first published in 1908 by William Gosset while working for the Guinness Brewery in Dublin. Due to proprietary issues, he had to publish under a pseudonym, and so he used the name Student.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

From Dalgaard page 83 [1], suppose the daily energy intake for 11 women in kilojoules (kJ) is:

```
>>> intake = np.array([5260., 5470, 5640, 6180, 6390, 6515, 6805, 7515, \
...                   7515, 8230, 8770])
```

Does their energy intake deviate systematically from the recommended value of 7725 kJ? Our null hypothesis will be the absence of deviation, and the alternate hypothesis will be the presence of an effect that could be either positive or negative, hence making our test 2-tailed.

Because we are estimating the mean and we have N=11 values in our sample, we have N-1=10 degrees of freedom. We set our significance level to 95% and compute the t statistic using the empirical mean and empirical standard deviation of our intake. We use a ddof of 1 to base the computation of our empirical standard deviation on an unbiased estimate of the variance (note: the final estimate is not unbiased due to the concave nature of the square root).

```
>>> np.mean(intake)
6753.6363636364
>>> intake.std(ddof=1)
1142.1232221373727
>>> t = (np.mean(intake)-7725)/(intake.std(ddof=1)/np.sqrt(len(intake)))
>>> t
-2.8207540608310198
```

We draw 1000000 samples from Student's t distribution with the adequate degrees of freedom.

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().standard_t(10, size=1000000)
>>> h = plt.hist(s, bins=100, density=True)
```

Does our t statistic land in one of the two critical regions found at both tails of the distribution?

```
>>> np.sum(np.abs(t) < np.abs(s)) / float(len(s))
0.018318 #random < 0.05, statistic is in critical region
```

The probability value for this 2-tailed test is about 1.83%, which is lower than the 5% pre-determined significance threshold.

Therefore, the probability of observing values as extreme as our intake conditionally on the null hypothesis being true is too low, and we reject the null hypothesis of no deviation.

method

`random.Generator.triangular(left, mode, right, size=None)`

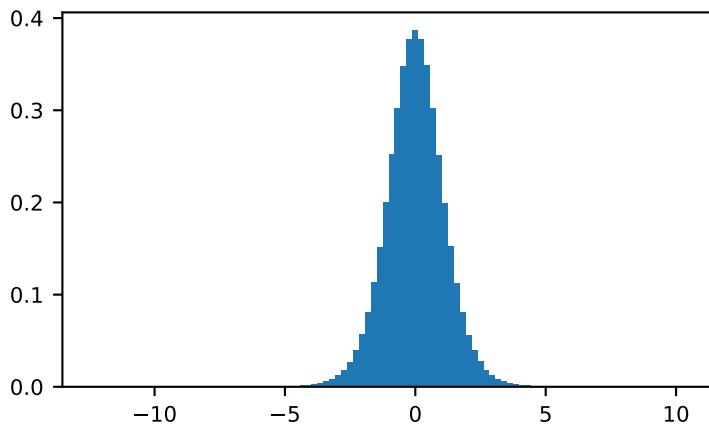
Draw samples from the triangular distribution over the interval `[left, right]`.

The triangular distribution is a continuous probability distribution with lower limit left, peak at mode, and upper limit right. Unlike the other distributions, these parameters directly define the shape of the pdf.

### Parameters

#### left

[float or array\_like of floats] Lower limit.

**mode**

[float or array\_like of floats] The value where the peak of the distribution occurs. The value must fulfill the condition `left <= mode <= right`.

**right**

[float or array\_like of floats] Upper limit, must be larger than `left`.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `left`, `mode`, and `right` are all scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(left, mode, right).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized triangular distribution.

**Notes**

The probability density function for the triangular distribution is

$$P(x; l, m, r) = \begin{cases} \frac{2(x-l)}{(r-l)(m-l)} & \text{for } l \leq x \leq m, \\ \frac{2(r-x)}{(r-l)(r-m)} & \text{for } m \leq x \leq r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The triangular distribution is often used in ill-defined problems where the underlying distribution is not known, but some knowledge of the limits and mode exists. Often it is used in simulations.

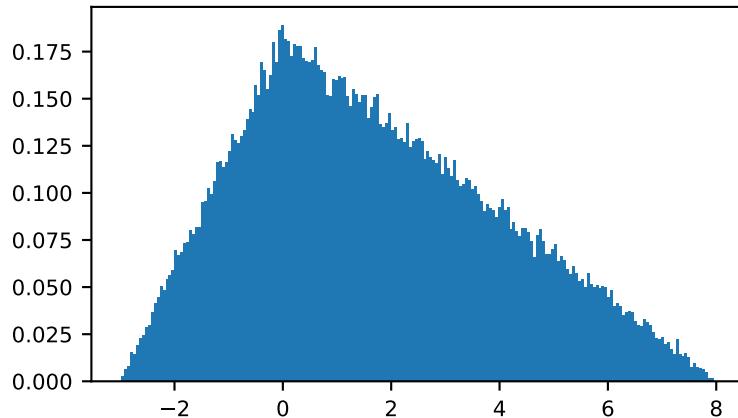
## References

[1]

## Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> h = plt.hist(np.random.default_rng().triangular(-3, 0, 8, 100000), bins=200,
...               density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



method

`random.Generator.uniform(low=0.0, high=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a uniform distribution.

Samples are uniformly distributed over the half-open interval  $[low, high)$  (includes low, but excludes high). In other words, any value within the given interval is equally likely to be drawn by `uniform`.

### Parameters

#### low

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Lower boundary of the output interval. All values generated will be greater than or equal to low. The default value is 0.

#### high

[float or array\_like of floats] Upper boundary of the output interval. All values generated will be less than high. The high limit may be included in the returned array of floats due to floating-point rounding in the equation  $low + (high-low) * \text{random\_sample}()$ . high - low must be non-negative. The default value is 1.0.

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `low` and `high` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(low, high).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized uniform distribution.

## See also:

### `integers`

Discrete uniform distribution, yielding integers.

### `random`

FLOATS uniformly distributed over  $[0, 1]$ .

## Notes

The probability density function of the uniform distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{b - a}$$

anywhere within the interval  $[a, b]$ , and zero elsewhere.

When `high == low`, values of `low` will be returned.

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().uniform(-1, 0, 1000)
```

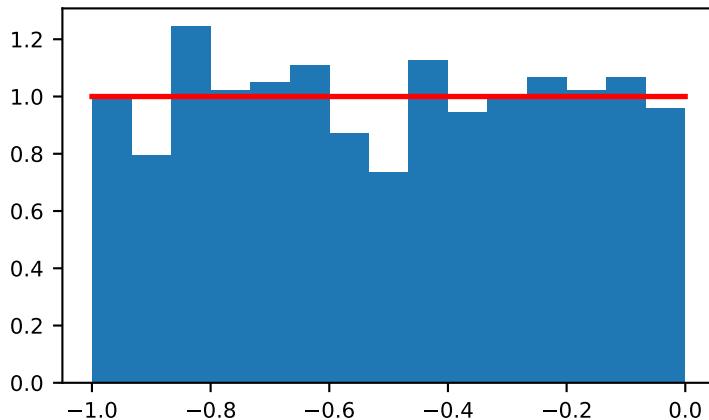
All values are within the given interval:

```
>>> np.all(s >= -1)
True
>>> np.all(s < 0)
True
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 15, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, np.ones_like(bins), linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

method



## `random.Generator.vonmises(mu, kappa, size=None)`

Draw samples from a von Mises distribution.

Samples are drawn from a von Mises distribution with specified mode (`mu`) and dispersion (`kappa`), on the interval [- $\pi$ ,  $\pi$ ].

The von Mises distribution (also known as the circular normal distribution) is a continuous probability distribution on the unit circle. It may be thought of as the circular analogue of the normal distribution.

### Parameters

#### `mu`

[float or array\_like of floats] Mode (“center”) of the distribution.

#### `kappa`

[float or array\_like of floats] Dispersion of the distribution, has to be  $\geq 0$ .

#### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If `size` is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `mu` and `kappa` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(mu, kappa).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized von Mises distribution.

### See also:

#### `scipy.stats.vonmises`

probability density function, distribution, or cumulative density function, etc.

## Notes

The probability density for the von Mises distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{e^{\kappa \cos(x-\mu)}}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mode and  $\kappa$  the dispersion, and  $I_0(\kappa)$  is the modified Bessel function of order 0.

The von Mises is named for Richard Edler von Mises, who was born in Austria-Hungary, in what is now the Ukraine. He fled to the United States in 1939 and became a professor at Harvard. He worked in probability theory, aerodynamics, fluid mechanics, and philosophy of science.

## References

[1], [2]

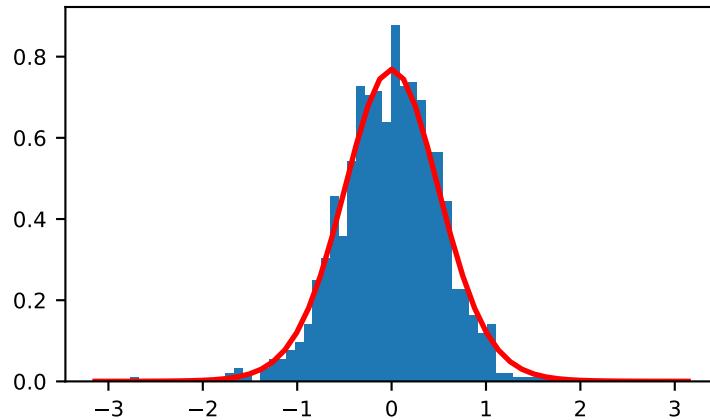
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, kappa = 0.0, 4.0 # mean and dispersion
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().vonmises(mu, kappa, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from scipy.special import i0
>>> plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> x = np.linspace(-np.pi, np.pi, num=51)
>>> y = np.exp(kappa*np.cos(x-mu)) / (2*np.pi*i0(kappa))
>>> plt.plot(x, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



method

`random.Generator.wald(mean, scale, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Wald, or inverse Gaussian, distribution.

As the scale approaches infinity, the distribution becomes more like a Gaussian. Some references claim that the Wald is an inverse Gaussian with mean equal to 1, but this is by no means universal.

The inverse Gaussian distribution was first studied in relationship to Brownian motion. In 1956 M.C.K. Tweedie used the name inverse Gaussian because there is an inverse relationship between the time to cover a unit distance and distance covered in unit time.

### Parameters

#### mean

[float or array\_like of floats] Distribution mean, must be > 0.

#### scale

[float or array\_like of floats] Scale parameter, must be > 0.

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if mean and scale are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(mean, scale).size samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Wald distribution.

### Notes

The probability density function for the Wald distribution is

$$P(x; \text{mean}, \text{scale}) = \sqrt{\frac{\text{scale}}{2\pi x^3}} e^{-\frac{\text{scale}(x-\text{mean})^2}{2\cdot\text{mean}^2 x}}$$

As noted above the inverse Gaussian distribution first arise from attempts to model Brownian motion. It is also a competitor to the Weibull for use in reliability modeling and modeling stock returns and interest rate processes.

### References

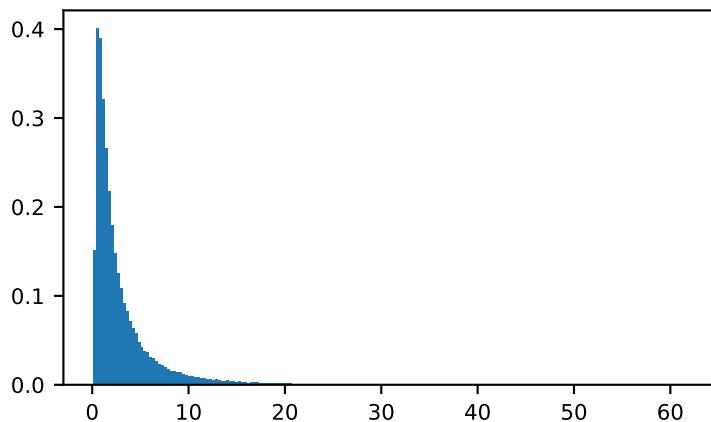
[1], [2], [3]

### Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> h = plt.hist(np.random.default_rng().wald(3, 2, 100000), bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```

method



```
random.Generator.weibull(a, size=None)
```

Draw samples from a Weibull distribution.

Draw samples from a 1-parameter Weibull distribution with the given shape parameter  $a$ .

$$X = (-\ln(U))^{1/a}$$

Here,  $U$  is drawn from the uniform distribution over  $(0,1]$ .

The more common 2-parameter Weibull, including a scale parameter  $\lambda$  is just  $X = \lambda(-\ln(U))^{1/a}$ .

### Parameters

**a**

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape parameter of the distribution. Must be nonnegative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if  $a$  is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Weibull distribution.

### See also:

[scipy.stats.weibull\\_max](#)

[scipy.stats.weibull\\_min](#)

[scipy.stats.genextreme](#)

[gumbel](#)

## Notes

The Weibull (or Type III asymptotic extreme value distribution for smallest values, SEV Type III, or Rosin-Rammler distribution) is one of a class of Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions used in modeling extreme value problems. This class includes the Gumbel and Frechet distributions.

The probability density for the Weibull distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{a}{\lambda} \left(\frac{x}{\lambda}\right)^{a-1} e^{-(x/\lambda)^a},$$

where  $a$  is the shape and  $\lambda$  the scale.

The function has its peak (the mode) at  $\lambda(\frac{a-1}{a})^{1/a}$ .

When  $a = 1$ , the Weibull distribution reduces to the exponential distribution.

## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> a = 5. # shape
>>> s = rng.weibull(a, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x = np.arange(1,100.)/50.
>>> def weib(x,n,a):
...     return (a / n) ** (x / n)**(a - 1) * np.exp(-(x / n)**a)

>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(rng.weibull(5.,1000))
>>> x = np.arange(1,100.)/50.
>>> scale = count.max()/weib(x, 1., 5.).max()
>>> plt.plot(x, weib(x, 1., 5.)*scale)
>>> plt.show()
```

method

`random.Generator.zipf(a, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Zipf distribution.

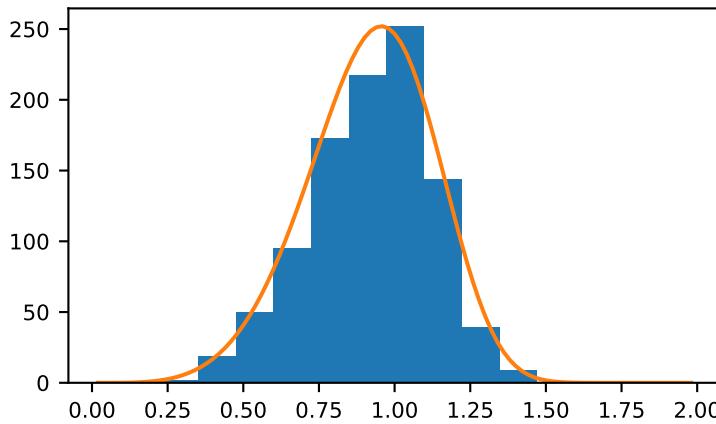
Samples are drawn from a Zipf distribution with specified parameter  $a > 1$ .

The Zipf distribution (also known as the zeta distribution) is a discrete probability distribution that satisfies Zipf's law: the frequency of an item is inversely proportional to its rank in a frequency table.

### Parameters

**a**

[float or array\_like of floats] Distribution parameter. Must be greater than 1.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `a` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Zipf distribution.

**See also:**[scipy.stats.zipf](#)

probability density function, distribution, or cumulative density function, etc.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Zipf distribution is

$$p(k) = \frac{k^{-a}}{\zeta(a)},$$

for integers  $k \geq 1$ , where  $\zeta$  is the Riemann Zeta function.

It is named for the American linguist George Kingsley Zipf, who noted that the frequency of any word in a sample of a language is inversely proportional to its rank in the frequency table.

## References

[1]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = 4.0
>>> n = 20000
>>> s = np.random.default_rng().zipf(a, size=n)
```

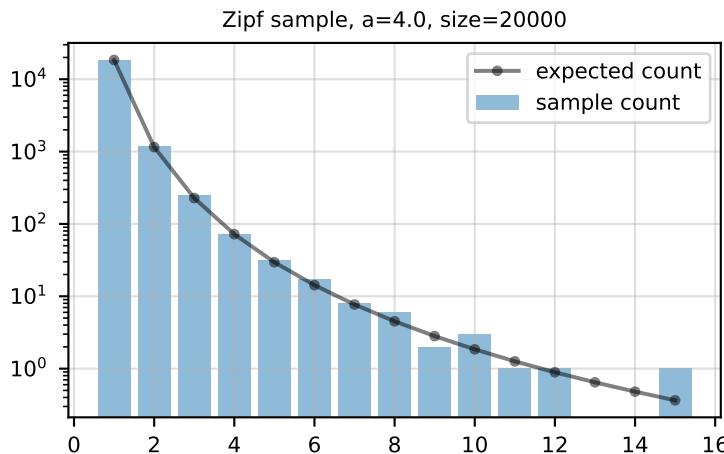
Display the histogram of the samples, along with the expected histogram based on the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from scipy.special import zeta
```

`bincount` provides a fast histogram for small integers.

```
>>> count = np.bincount(s)
>>> k = np.arange(1, s.max() + 1)
```

```
>>> plt.bar(k, count[1:], alpha=0.5, label='sample count')
>>> plt.plot(k, n*(k**-a)/zeta(a), 'k.-', alpha=0.5,
...            label='expected count')
>>> plt.semilogy()
>>> plt.grid(alpha=0.4)
>>> plt.legend()
>>> plt.title(f'Zipf sample, a={a}, size={n}')
>>> plt.show()
```



## Legacy Random Generation

The `RandomState` provides access to legacy generators. This generator is considered frozen and will have no further improvements. It is guaranteed to produce the same values as the final point release of NumPy v1.16. These all depend on Box-Muller normals or inverse CDF exponentials or gammas. This class should only be used if it is essential to have randoms that are identical to what would have been produced by previous versions of NumPy.

`RandomState` adds additional information to the state which is required when using Box-Muller normals since these are produced in pairs. It is important to use `RandomState.get_state`, and not the underlying bit generators `state`, when accessing the state so that these extra values are saved.

Although we provide the `MT19937` BitGenerator for use independent of `RandomState`, note that its default seeding uses `SeedSequence` rather than the legacy seeding algorithm. `RandomState` will use the legacy seeding algorithm. The methods to use the legacy seeding algorithm are currently private as the main reason to use them is just to implement `RandomState`. However, one can reset the state of `MT19937` using the state of the `RandomState`:

```
from numpy.random import MT19937
from numpy.random import RandomState

rs = RandomState(12345)
mt19937 = MT19937()
mt19937.state = rs.get_state()
rs2 = RandomState(mt19937)

# Same output
rs.standard_normal()
rs2.standard_normal()

rs.random()
rs2.random()

rs.standard_exponential()
rs2.standard_exponential()
```

**class** `numpy.random.RandomState(seed=None)`

Container for the slow Mersenne Twister pseudo-random number generator. Consider using a different BitGenerator with the Generator container instead.

`RandomState` and `Generator` expose a number of methods for generating random numbers drawn from a variety of probability distributions. In addition to the distribution-specific arguments, each method takes a keyword argument `size` that defaults to `None`. If `size` is `None`, then a single value is generated and returned. If `size` is an integer, then a 1-D array filled with generated values is returned. If `size` is a tuple, then an array with that shape is filled and returned.

### Compatibility Guarantee

A fixed bit generator using a fixed seed and a fixed series of calls to ‘`RandomState`’ methods using the same parameters will always produce the same results up to roundoff error except when the values were incorrect. `RandomState` is effectively frozen and will only receive updates that are required by changes in the the internals of Numpy. More substantial changes, including algorithmic improvements, are reserved for `Generator`.

### Parameters

#### seed

[{`None`, `int`, `array_like`, `BitGenerator`}, optional] Random seed used to initialize the pseudo-random number generator or an instantized BitGenerator. If an integer or array, used as a seed for the `MT19937` BitGenerator. Values can be any integer between 0 and  $2^{32} - 1$  inclusive, an array (or other sequence) of such integers, or `None` (the default). If `seed` is

None, then the [MT19937](#) BitGenerator is initialized by reading data from `/dev/urandom` (or the Windows analogue) if available or seed from the clock otherwise.

### See also:

[`Generator`](#)

[MT19937](#)

[`numpy.random.BitGenerator`](#)

### Notes

The Python stdlib module “random” also contains a Mersenne Twister pseudo-random number generator with a number of methods that are similar to the ones available in [`RandomState`](#). `RandomState`, besides being NumPy-aware, has the advantage that it provides a much larger number of probability distributions to choose from.

## Seeding and State

<code>get_state()</code>	Return a tuple representing the internal state of the generator.
<code>set_state(state)</code>	Set the internal state of the generator from a tuple.
<code>seed(self[, seed])</code>	Reseed a legacy MT19937 BitGenerator

method

`random.RandomState.get_state()`

Return a tuple representing the internal state of the generator.

For more details, see [`set\_state`](#).

### Parameters

#### `legacy`

[bool, optional] Flag indicating to return a legacy tuple state when the BitGenerator is MT19937, instead of a dict.

### Returns

#### `out`

[{tuple(str, ndarray of 624 uints, int, int, float), dict}] The returned tuple has the following items:

1. the string ‘MT19937’.
2. a 1-D array of 624 unsigned integer keys.
3. an integer `pos`.
4. an integer `has_gauss`.
5. a float `cached_gaussian`.

If `legacy` is False, or the BitGenerator is not MT19937, then state is returned as a dictionary.

### See also:

**set\_state****Notes**

`set_state` and `get_state` are not needed to work with any of the random distributions in NumPy. If the internal state is manually altered, the user should know exactly what he/she is doing.

method

```
random.RandomState.set_state(state)
```

Set the internal state of the generator from a tuple.

For use if one has reason to manually (re-)set the internal state of the bit generator used by the `RandomState` instance. By default, `RandomState` uses the “Mersenne Twister”<sup>[1]</sup> pseudo-random number generating algorithm.

**Parameters****state**

[{tuple(str, ndarray of 624 uints, int, int, float), dict}] The `state` tuple has the following items:

1. the string ‘MT19937’, specifying the Mersenne Twister algorithm.
2. a 1-D array of 624 unsigned integers keys.
3. an integer pos.
4. an integer has\_gauss.
5. a float cached\_gaussian.

If `state` is a dictionary, it is directly set using the `BitGenerators.state` property.

**Returns****out**

[None] Returns ‘None’ on success.

See also:

**get\_state****Notes**

`set_state` and `get_state` are not needed to work with any of the random distributions in NumPy. If the internal state is manually altered, the user should know exactly what he/she is doing.

For backwards compatibility, the form (str, array of 624 uints, int) is also accepted although it is missing some information about the cached Gaussian value: `state = ('MT19937', keys, pos)`.

## References

[1]

method

`random.RandomState.seed(self, seed=None)`

Reseed a legacy MT19937 BitGenerator

## Notes

This is a convenience, legacy function.

The best practice is to **not** reseed a BitGenerator, rather to recreate a new one. This method is here for legacy reasons. This example demonstrates best practice.

```
>>> from numpy.random import MT19937
>>> from numpy.random import RandomState, SeedSequence
>>> rs = RandomState(MT19937(SeedSequence(123456789)))
# Later, you want to restart the stream
>>> rs = RandomState(MT19937(SeedSequence(987654321)))
```

## Simple random data

<code>rand(d0, d1, ..., dn)</code>	Random values in a given shape.
<code>randn(d0, d1, ..., dn)</code>	Return a sample (or samples) from the "standard normal" distribution.
<code>randint(low[, high, size, dtype])</code>	Return random integers from <i>low</i> (inclusive) to <i>high</i> (exclusive).
<code>random_integers(low[, high, size])</code>	Random integers of type <i>np.int_</i> between <i>low</i> and <i>high</i> , inclusive.
<code>random_sample([size])</code>	Return random floats in the half-open interval [0.0, 1.0).
<code>choice(a[, size, replace, p])</code>	Generates a random sample from a given 1-D array
<code>bytes(length)</code>	Return random bytes.

method

`random.RandomState.rand(d0, d1, ..., dn)`

Random values in a given shape.

---

**Note:** This is a convenience function for users porting code from Matlab, and wraps `random_sample`. That function takes a tuple to specify the size of the output, which is consistent with other NumPy functions like `numpy.zeros` and `numpy.ones`.

---

Create an array of the given shape and populate it with random samples from a uniform distribution over [0, 1].

### Parameters

**d0, d1, ..., dn**

[int, optional] The dimensions of the returned array, must be non-negative. If no argument is given a single Python float is returned.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray, shape (d0, d1, ..., dn)] Random values.

See also:

[random](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.rand(3,2)
array([[ 0.14022471,  0.96360618],  #random
       [ 0.37601032,  0.25528411],  #random
       [ 0.49313049,  0.94909878]]) #random
```

method

`random.RandomState.rndn(d0, d1, ..., dn)`

Return a sample (or samples) from the “standard normal” distribution.

---

**Note:** This is a convenience function for users porting code from Matlab, and wraps [standard\\_normal](#). That function takes a tuple to specify the size of the output, which is consistent with other NumPy functions like [numpy.zeros](#) and [numpy.ones](#).

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**Note:** New code should use the `standard_normal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

If positive int\_like arguments are provided, `rndn` generates an array of shape (d0, d1, ..., dn), filled with random floats sampled from a univariate “normal” (Gaussian) distribution of mean 0 and variance 1. A single float randomly sampled from the distribution is returned if no argument is provided.

### Parameters

#### d0, d1, ..., dn

[int, optional] The dimensions of the returned array, must be non-negative. If no argument is given a single Python float is returned.

### Returns

#### Z

[ndarray or float] A (d0, d1, ..., dn)-shaped array of floating-point samples from the standard normal distribution, or a single such float if no parameters were supplied.

See also:

[standard\\_normal](#)

Similar, but takes a tuple as its argument.

[normal](#)

Also accepts mu and sigma arguments.

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which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

For random samples from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , use:

```
sigma * np.random.randn(...) + mu
```

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.randn()
2.1923875335537315 # random
```

Two-by-four array of samples from  $N(3, 6.25)$ :

```
>>> 3 + 2.5 * np.random.randn(2, 4)
array([[-4.49401501, 4.00950034, -1.81814867, 7.29718677], # random
       [ 0.39924804, 4.68456316, 4.99394529, 4.84057254]]) # random
```

method

`random.RandomState.randint` (*low*, *high=None*, *size=None*, *dtype=int*)

Return random integers from *low* (inclusive) to *high* (exclusive).

Return random integers from the “discrete uniform” distribution of the specified *dtype* in the “half-open” interval [*low*, *high*). If *high* is None (the default), then results are from [0, *low*).

---

**Note:** New code should use the `integers` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

**Parameters****low**

[int or array-like of ints] Lowest (signed) integers to be drawn from the distribution (unless *high=None*, in which case this parameter is one above the *highest* such integer).

**high**

[int or array-like of ints, optional] If provided, one above the largest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (see above for behavior if *high=None*). If array-like, must contain integer values

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] Desired dtype of the result. Byteorder must be native. The default value is int.

New in version 1.11.0.

**Returns****out**

[int or ndarray of ints] `size`-shaped array of random integers from the appropriate distribution, or a single such random int if `size` not provided.

**See also:****[random\\_integers](#)**

similar to [randint](#), only for the closed interval  $[low, high]$ , and 1 is the lowest value if `high` is omitted.

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which should be used for new code.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.randint(2, size=10)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0]) # random
>>> np.random.randint(1, size=10)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
```

Generate a  $2 \times 4$  array of ints between 0 and 4, inclusive:

```
>>> np.random.randint(5, size=(2, 4))
array([[4, 0, 2, 1], # random
       [3, 2, 2, 0]])
```

Generate a  $1 \times 3$  array with 3 different upper bounds

```
>>> np.random.randint(1, [3, 5, 10])
array([2, 2, 9]) # random
```

Generate a 1 by 3 array with 3 different lower bounds

```
>>> np.random.randint([1, 5, 7], 10)
array([9, 8, 7]) # random
```

Generate a  $2 \times 4$  array using broadcasting with dtype of uint8

```
>>> np.random.randint([1, 3, 5, 7], [[10], [20]], dtype=np.uint8)
array([[8, 6, 9, 7], # random
       [1, 16, 9, 12]]], dtype=uint8)
```

method

`random.RandomState.random_integers(low, high=None, size=None)`

Random integers of type `np.int_` between `low` and `high`, inclusive.

Return random integers of type `np.int_` from the “discrete uniform” distribution in the closed interval  $[low, high]$ . If `high` is None (the default), then results are from  $[1, low]$ . The `np.int_` type translates to the C long integer type and its precision is platform dependent.

This function has been deprecated. Use `randint` instead.

Deprecated since version 1.11.0.

## Parameters

### `low`

[int] Lowest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (unless `high=None`, in which case this parameter is the *highest* such integer).

### `high`

[int, optional] If provided, the largest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (see above for behavior if `high=None`).

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a single value is returned.

## Returns

### `out`

[int or ndarray of ints] `size`-shaped array of random integers from the appropriate distribution, or a single such random int if `size` not provided.

## See also:

### `randint`

Similar to `random_integers`, only for the half-open interval  $[low, high)$ , and 0 is the lowest value if `high` is omitted.

## Notes

To sample from N evenly spaced floating-point numbers between a and b, use:

```
a + (b - a) * (np.random.random_integers(N) - 1) / (N - 1.)
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.random_integers(5)
4 # random
>>> type(np.random.random_integers(5))
<class 'numpy.int64'>
>>> np.random.random_integers(5, size=(3,2))
array([[5, 4], # random
       [3, 3],
       [4, 5]])
```

Choose five random numbers from the set of five evenly-spaced numbers between 0 and 2.5, inclusive (*i.e.*, from the set 0, 5/8, 10/8, 15/8, 20/8):

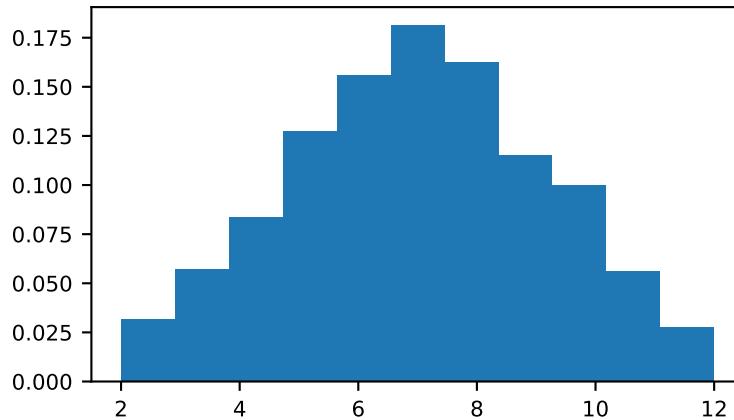
```
>>> 2.5 * (np.random.random_integers(5, size=(5,)) - 1) / 4.
array([ 0.625,  1.25 ,  0.625,  0.625,  2.5 ]) # random
```

Roll two six sided dice 1000 times and sum the results:

```
>>> d1 = np.random.random_integers(1, 6, 1000)
>>> d2 = np.random.random_integers(1, 6, 1000)
>>> dsums = d1 + d2
```

Display results as a histogram:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(dsums, 11, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



## method

`random.RandomState.random_sample(size=None)`

Return random floats in the half-open interval [0.0, 1.0).

Results are from the “continuous uniform” distribution over the stated interval. To sample  $Unif[a, b]$ ,  $b > a$  multiply the output of `random_sample` by  $(b-a)$  and add  $a$ :

```
(b - a) * random_sample() + a
```

---

**Note:** New code should use the `random` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a single value is returned.

## Returns

### out

[float or ndarray of floats] Array of random floats of shape `size` (unless `size=None`, in which case a single float is returned).

**See also:**

`random.Generator.random`

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.random_sample()
0.47108547995356098 # random
>>> type(np.random.random_sample())
<class 'float'>
>>> np.random.random_sample((5,))
array([ 0.30220482,  0.86820401,  0.1654503 ,  0.11659149,  0.54323428]) # random
```

Three-by-two array of random numbers from [-5, 0):

```
>>> 5 * np.random.random_sample((3, 2)) - 5
array([-3.99149989, -0.52338984], # random
      [-2.99091858, -0.79479508],
      [-1.23204345, -1.75224494]))
```

`method`

`random.RandomState.choice(a, size=None, replace=True, p=None)`

Generates a random sample from a given 1-D array

New in version 1.7.0.

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**Note:** New code should use the `choice` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

**a**

[1-D array-like or int] If an ndarray, a random sample is generated from its elements. If an int, the random sample is generated as if it were `np.arange(a)`

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

**replace**

[boolean, optional] Whether the sample is with or without replacement. Default is True, meaning that a value of `a` can be selected multiple times.

**p**

[1-D array-like, optional] The probabilities associated with each entry in `a`. If not given, the sample assumes a uniform distribution over all entries in `a`.

**Returns****samples**

[single item or ndarray] The generated random samples

**Raises****ValueError**

If a is an int and less than zero, if a or p are not 1-dimensional, if a is an array-like of size 0, if p is not a vector of probabilities, if a and p have different lengths, or if replace=False and the sample size is greater than the population size

**See also:**

[`randint`](#), [`shuffle`](#), [`permutation`](#)

[`random.Generator.choice`](#)

which should be used in new code

**Notes**

Setting user-specified probabilities through p uses a more general but less efficient sampler than the default. The general sampler produces a different sample than the optimized sampler even if each element of p is 1 / len(a).

Sampling random rows from a 2-D array is not possible with this function, but is possible with *Generator.choice* through its `axis` keyword.

**Examples**

Generate a uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3:

```
>>> np.random.choice(5, 3)
array([0, 3, 4]) # random
>>> #This is equivalent to np.random.randint(0,5,3)
```

Generate a non-uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3:

```
>>> np.random.choice(5, 3, p=[0.1, 0, 0.3, 0.6, 0])
array([3, 3, 0]) # random
```

Generate a uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3 without replacement:

```
>>> np.random.choice(5, 3, replace=False)
array([3, 1, 0]) # random
>>> #This is equivalent to np.random.permutation(np.arange(5))[:3]
```

Generate a non-uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3 without replacement:

```
>>> np.random.choice(5, 3, replace=False, p=[0.1, 0, 0.3, 0.6, 0])
array([2, 3, 0]) # random
```

Any of the above can be repeated with an arbitrary array-like instead of just integers. For instance:

```
>>> aa_milne_arr = ['pooh', 'rabbit', 'piglet', 'Christopher']
>>> np.random.choice(aa_milne_arr, 5, p=[0.5, 0.1, 0.1, 0.3])
array(['pooh', 'pooh', 'pooh', 'Christopher', 'piglet'], # random
      dtype='<U11')
```

method

`random.RandomState.bytes(length)`

Return random bytes.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `bytes` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

### Parameters

#### `length`

[int] Number of random bytes.

### Returns

#### `out`

[bytes] String of length *length*.

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.bytes`](#)

which should be used for new code.

### Examples

```
>>> np.random.bytes(10)
b'eh\x85\x022SZ\xbf\x a4' #random
```

## Permutations

[`shuffle\(x\)`](#)

Modify a sequence in-place by shuffling its contents.

[`permutation\(x\)`](#)

Randomly permute a sequence, or return a permuted range.

method

`random.RandomState.shuffle(x)`

Modify a sequence in-place by shuffling its contents.

This function only shuffles the array along the first axis of a multi-dimensional array. The order of sub-arrays is changed but their contents remains the same.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `shuffle` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

**x**

[ndarray or MutableSequence] The array, list or mutable sequence to be shuffled.

## Returns

**None**

See also:

[`random.Generator.shuffle`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

```
>>> arr = np.arange(10)
>>> np.random.shuffle(arr)
>>> arr
[1 7 5 2 9 4 3 6 0 8] # random
```

Multi-dimensional arrays are only shuffled along the first axis:

```
>>> arr = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> np.random.shuffle(arr)
>>> arr
array([[3, 4, 5], # random
       [6, 7, 8],
       [0, 1, 2]])
```

method

`random.RandomState.permutation(x)`

Randomly permute a sequence, or return a permuted range.

If *x* is a multi-dimensional array, it is only shuffled along its first index.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `permutation` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

**x**

[int or array\_like] If *x* is an integer, randomly permute `np.arange(x)`. If *x* is an array, make a copy and shuffle the elements randomly.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Permuted sequence or array range.

**See also:**[random.Generator.permutation](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.permutation(10)
array([1, 7, 4, 3, 0, 9, 2, 5, 8, 6]) # random
```

```
>>> np.random.permutation([1, 4, 9, 12, 15])
array([15, 1, 9, 4, 12]) # random
```

```
>>> arr = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> np.random.permutation(arr)
array([[6, 7, 8], # random
       [0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
```

**Distributions**

<a href="#">beta(a, b[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a Beta distribution.
<a href="#">binomial(n, p[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a binomial distribution.
<a href="#">chisquare(df[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a chi-square distribution.
<a href="#">dirichlet(alpha[, size])</a>	Draw samples from the Dirichlet distribution.
<a href="#">exponential([scale, size])</a>	Draw samples from an exponential distribution.
<a href="#">f(dfnum, dfden[, size])</a>	Draw samples from an F distribution.
<a href="#">gamma(shape[, scale, size])</a>	Draw samples from a Gamma distribution.
<a href="#">geometric(p[, size])</a>	Draw samples from the geometric distribution.
<a href="#">gumbel([loc, scale, size])</a>	Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution.
<a href="#">hypergeometric/ngood, nbad, nsample[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a Hypergeometric distribution.
<a href="#">laplace([loc, scale, size])</a>	Draw samples from the Laplace or double exponential distribution with specified location (or mean) and scale (decay).
<a href="#">logistic([loc, scale, size])</a>	Draw samples from a logistic distribution.
<a href="#">lognormal([mean, sigma, size])</a>	Draw samples from a log-normal distribution.
<a href="#">logseries(p[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a logarithmic series distribution.
<a href="#">multinomial(n, pvals[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a multinomial distribution.
<a href="#">multivariate_normal(mean, cov[, size, ...])</a>	Draw random samples from a multivariate normal distribution.
<a href="#">negative_binomial(n, p[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a negative binomial distribution.
<a href="#">noncentral_chisquare(df, nonc[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a noncentral chi-square distribution.
<a href="#">noncentral_f(dfnum, dfden, nonc[, size])</a>	Draw samples from the noncentral F distribution.
<a href="#">normal([loc, scale, size])</a>	Draw random samples from a normal (Gaussian) distribution.
<a href="#">pareto(a[, size])</a>	Draw samples from a Pareto II or Lomax distribution with specified shape.
<a href="#">poisson([lam, size])</a>	Draw samples from a Poisson distribution.
<a href="#">power(a[, size])</a>	Draws samples in [0, 1] from a power distribution with positive exponent a - 1.

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<code>rayleigh([scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Rayleigh distribution.
<code>standard_cauchy([size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Cauchy distribution with mode = 0.
<code>standard_exponential([size])</code>	Draw samples from the standard exponential distribution.
<code>standard_gamma(shape[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Gamma distribution.
<code>standard_normal([size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Normal distribution (mean=0, stdev=1).
<code>standard_t(df[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Student's t distribution with $df$ degrees of freedom.
<code>triangular(left, mode, right[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the triangular distribution over the interval [left, right].
<code>uniform([low, high, size])</code>	Draw samples from a uniform distribution.
<code>vonmises(mu, kappa[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a von Mises distribution.
<code>wald(mean, scale[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Wald, or inverse Gaussian, distribution.
<code>weibull(a[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Weibull distribution.
<code>zipf(a[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Zipf distribution.

## method

`random.RandomState.beta(a, b, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Beta distribution.

The Beta distribution is a special case of the Dirichlet distribution, and is related to the Gamma distribution. It has the probability distribution function

$$f(x; a, b) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1},$$

where the normalization, B, is the beta function,

$$B(\alpha, \beta) = \int_0^1 t^{\alpha-1} (1-t)^{\beta-1} dt.$$

It is often seen in Bayesian inference and order statistics.

**Note:** New code should use the `beta` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

## Parameters

### a

[float or array\_like of floats] Alpha, positive (>0).

### b

[float or array\_like of floats] Beta, positive (>0).

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `a` and `b` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(a, b).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized beta distribution.

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.beta`](#)

which should be used for new code.

**method**

`random.RandomState.binomial(n, p, size=None)`

Draw samples from a binomial distribution.

Samples are drawn from a binomial distribution with specified parameters, n trials and p probability of success where n an integer  $\geq 0$  and p is in the interval [0,1]. (n may be input as a float, but it is truncated to an integer in use)

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**Note:** New code should use the `binomial` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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**Parameters****n**

[int or array\_like of ints] Parameter of the distribution,  $\geq 0$ . Floats are also accepted, but they will be truncated to integers.

**p**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution,  $\geq 0$  and  $\leq 1$ .

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if n and p are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(n, p).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized binomial distribution, where each sample is equal to the number of successes over the n trials.

**See also:**

[`scipy.stats.binom`](#)

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

[`random.Generator.binomial`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the binomial distribution is

$$P(N) = \binom{n}{N} p^N (1-p)^{n-N},$$

where  $n$  is the number of trials,  $p$  is the probability of success, and  $N$  is the number of successes.

When estimating the standard error of a proportion in a population by using a random sample, the normal distribution works well unless the product  $p*n <= 5$ , where  $p$  = population proportion estimate, and  $n$  = number of samples, in which case the binomial distribution is used instead. For example, a sample of 15 people shows 4 who are left handed, and 11 who are right handed. Then  $p = 4/15 = 27\%$ .  $0.27*15 = 4$ , so the binomial distribution should be used in this case.

## References

[1], [2], [3], [4], [5]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> n, p = 10, .5 # number of trials, probability of each trial
>>> s = np.random.binomial(n, p, 1000)
# result of flipping a coin 10 times, tested 1000 times.
```

A real world example. A company drills 9 wild-cat oil exploration wells, each with an estimated probability of success of 0.1. All nine wells fail. What is the probability of that happening?

Let's do 20,000 trials of the model, and count the number that generate zero positive results.

```
>>> sum(np.random.binomial(9, 0.1, 20000) == 0)/20000.
# answer = 0.38885, or 38%.
```

method

`random.RandomState.chisquare(df, size=None)`

Draw samples from a chi-square distribution.

When  $df$  independent random variables, each with standard normal distributions (mean 0, variance 1), are squared and summed, the resulting distribution is chi-square (see Notes). This distribution is often used in hypothesis testing.

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**Note:** New code should use the `chisquare` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### df

[float or array\_like of floats] Number of degrees of freedom, must be  $> 0$ .

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `df` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(df).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized chi-square distribution.

**Raises****ValueError**

When `df <= 0` or when an inappropriate `size` (e.g. `size=-1`) is given.

**See also:**

`random.Generator.chisquare`

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The variable obtained by summing the squares of `df` independent, standard normally distributed random variables:

$$Q = \sum_{i=0}^{\text{df}} X_i^2$$

is chi-square distributed, denoted

$$Q \sim \chi_k^2.$$

The probability density function of the chi-squared distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{(1/2)^{k/2}}{\Gamma(k/2)} x^{k/2-1} e^{-x/2},$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the gamma function,

$$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{-\infty} t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt.$$

**References**

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.chisquare(2, 4)
array([ 1.89920014,  9.00867716,  3.13710533,  5.62318272]) # random
```

method

`random.RandomState.dirichlet(alpha, size=None)`

Draw samples from the Dirichlet distribution.

Draw `size` samples of dimension `k` from a Dirichlet distribution. A Dirichlet-distributed random variable can be seen as a multivariate generalization of a Beta distribution. The Dirichlet distribution is a conjugate prior of a multinomial distribution in Bayesian inference.

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**Note:** New code should use the `dirichlet` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `alpha`

[sequence of floats, length `k`] Parameter of the distribution (length `k` for sample of length `k`).

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n)`, then `m * n` \* `k` samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a vector of length `k` is returned.

## Returns

### `samples`

[ndarray,] The drawn samples, of shape `(size, k)`.

## Raises

### `ValueError`

If any value in `alpha` is less than or equal to zero

## See also:

[`random.Generator.dirichlet`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The Dirichlet distribution is a distribution over vectors  $x$  that fulfil the conditions  $x_i > 0$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^k x_i = 1$ .

The probability density function  $p$  of a Dirichlet-distributed random vector  $X$  is proportional to

$$p(x) \propto \prod_{i=1}^k x_i^{\alpha_i - 1},$$

where  $\alpha$  is a vector containing the positive concentration parameters.

The method uses the following property for computation: let  $Y$  be a random vector which has components that follow a standard gamma distribution, then  $X = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^k Y_i} Y$  is Dirichlet-distributed

## References

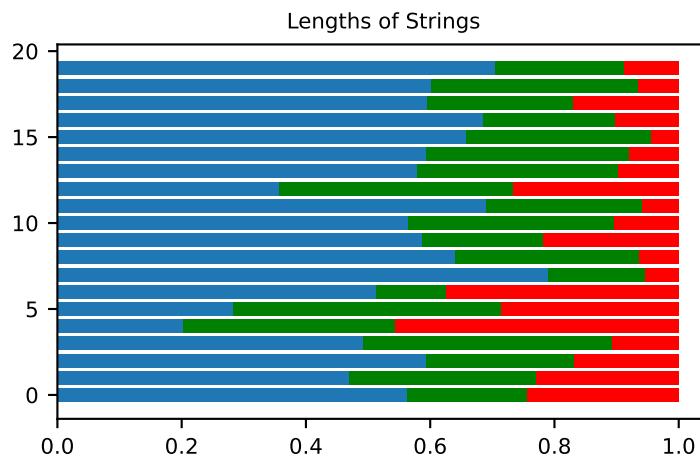
[1], [2]

## Examples

Taking an example cited in Wikipedia, this distribution can be used if one wanted to cut strings (each of initial length 1.0) into K pieces with different lengths, where each piece had, on average, a designated average length, but allowing some variation in the relative sizes of the pieces.

```
>>> s = np.random.dirichlet((10, 5, 3), 20).transpose()
```

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[0])
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[1], left=s[0], color='g')
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[2], left=s[0]+s[1], color='r')
>>> plt.title("Lengths of Strings")
```



method

`random.RandomState.exponential(scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from an exponential distribution.

Its probability density function is

$$f(x; \frac{1}{\beta}) = \frac{1}{\beta} \exp(-\frac{x}{\beta}),$$

for  $x > 0$  and 0 elsewhere.  $\beta$  is the scale parameter, which is the inverse of the rate parameter  $\lambda = 1/\beta$ . The rate parameter is an alternative, widely used parameterization of the exponential distribution [3].

The exponential distribution is a continuous analogue of the geometric distribution. It describes many common situations, such as the size of raindrops measured over many rainstorms [1], or the time between page requests to Wikipedia [2].

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**Note:** New code should use the `exponential` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats] The scale parameter,  $\beta = 1/\lambda$ . Must be non-negative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `scale` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized exponential distribution.

## See also:

`random.Generator.exponential`

which should be used for new code.

## References

[1], [2], [3]

### method

`random.RandomState.f(denum, dfden, size=None)`

Draw samples from an F distribution.

Samples are drawn from an F distribution with specified parameters, `denum` (degrees of freedom in numerator) and `dfden` (degrees of freedom in denominator), where both parameters must be greater than zero.

The random variate of the F distribution (also known as the Fisher distribution) is a continuous probability distribution that arises in ANOVA tests, and is the ratio of two chi-square variates.

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**Note:** New code should use the `f` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `dfnum`

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom in numerator, must be > 0.

### `dfden`

[float or array\_like of float] Degrees of freedom in denominator, must be > 0.

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `dfnum` and `dfden` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(dfnum, dfden).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Fisher distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.f`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.f`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The F statistic is used to compare in-group variances to between-group variances. Calculating the distribution depends on the sampling, and so it is a function of the respective degrees of freedom in the problem. The variable `dfnum` is the number of samples minus one, the between-groups degrees of freedom, while `dfden` is the within-groups degrees of freedom, the sum of the number of samples in each group minus the number of groups.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

An example from Glantz[1], pp 47-40:

Two groups, children of diabetics (25 people) and children from people without diabetes (25 controls). Fasting blood glucose was measured, case group had a mean value of 86.1, controls had a mean value of 82.2. Standard deviations were 2.09 and 2.49 respectively. Are these data consistent with the null hypothesis that the parents diabetic status does not affect their children's blood glucose levels? Calculating the F statistic from the data gives a value of 36.01.

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> dfnum = 1. # between group degrees of freedom
>>> dfden = 48. # within groups degrees of freedom
>>> s = np.random.f(dfnum, dfden, 1000)
```

The lower bound for the top 1% of the samples is :

```
>>> np.sort(s)[-10]
7.61988120985 # random
```

So there is about a 1% chance that the F statistic will exceed 7.62, the measured value is 36, so the null hypothesis is rejected at the 1% level.

method

`random.RandomState.gamma(shape, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Gamma distribution.

Samples are drawn from a Gamma distribution with specified parameters, `shape` (sometimes designated “k”) and `scale` (sometimes designated “theta”), where both parameters are  $> 0$ .

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**Note:** New code should use the `gamma` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### shape

[float or array\_like of floats] The shape of the gamma distribution. Must be non-negative.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The scale of the gamma distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is equal to 1.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `shape` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(shape, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized gamma distribution.

**See also:****`scipy.stats.gamma`**

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**`random.Generator.gamma`**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Gamma distribution is

$$p(x) = x^{k-1} \frac{e^{-x/\theta}}{\theta^k \Gamma(k)},$$

where  $k$  is the shape and  $\theta$  the scale, and  $\Gamma$  is the Gamma function.

The Gamma distribution is often used to model the times to failure of electronic components, and arises naturally in processes for which the waiting times between Poisson distributed events are relevant.

**References**

[1], [2]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> shape, scale = 2., 2. # mean=4, std=2*sqrt(2)
>>> s = np.random.gamma(shape, scale, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> import scipy.special as sps
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> y = bins***(shape-1)*(np.exp(-bins/scale) /
...                         (sps.gamma(shape)*scale**shape))
>>> plt.plot(bins, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

method

`random.RandomState.geometric(p, size=None)`

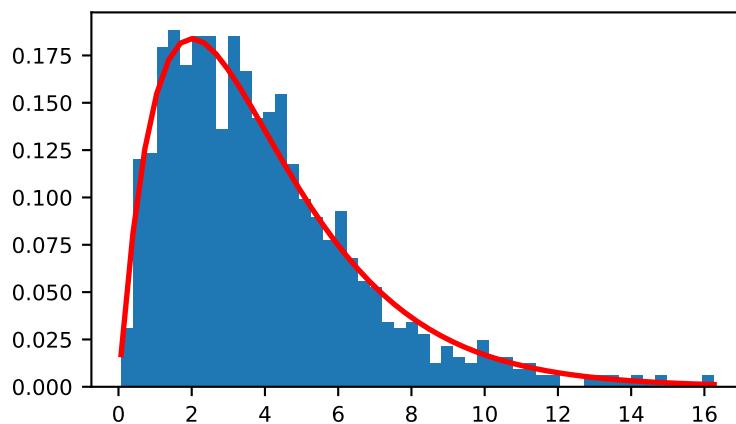
Draw samples from the geometric distribution.

Bernoulli trials are experiments with one of two outcomes: success or failure (an example of such an experiment is flipping a coin). The geometric distribution models the number of trials that must be run in order to achieve success. It is therefore supported on the positive integers,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ .

The probability mass function of the geometric distribution is

$$f(k) = (1 - p)^{k-1} p$$

where  $p$  is the probability of success of an individual trial.



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**Note:** New code should use the `geometric` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### p

[float or array\_like of floats] The probability of success of an individual trial.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `p` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(p).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized geometric distribution.

## See also:

`random.Generator.geometric`

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

Draw ten thousand values from the geometric distribution, with the probability of an individual success equal to 0.35:

```
>>> z = np.random.geometric(p=0.35, size=10000)
```

How many trials succeeded after a single run?

```
>>> (z == 1).sum() / 10000.  
0.3488999999999999 #random
```

method

`random.RandomState.gumbel(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution.

Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution with specified location and scale. For more information on the Gumbel distribution, see Notes and References below.

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**Note:** New code should use the `gumbel` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### loc

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The location of the mode of the distribution. Default is 0.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The scale parameter of the distribution. Default is 1. Must be non-negative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `loc` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Gumbel distribution.

**See also:**

[`scipy.stats.gumbel\_l`](#)  
[`scipy.stats.gumbel\_r`](#)  
[`scipy.stats.genextreme`](#)  
[`weibull`](#)

`random.Generator.gumbel`

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The Gumbel (or Smallest Extreme Value (SEV) or the Smallest Extreme Value Type I) distribution is one of a class of Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions used in modeling extreme value problems. The Gumbel is a special case of the Extreme Value Type I distribution for maximums from distributions with “exponential-like” tails.

The probability density for the Gumbel distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{e^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}}{\beta} e^{-e^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mode, a location parameter, and  $\beta$  is the scale parameter.

The Gumbel (named for German mathematician Emil Julius Gumbel) was used very early in the hydrology literature, for modeling the occurrence of flood events. It is also used for modeling maximum wind speed and rainfall rates. It is a “fat-tailed” distribution - the probability of an event in the tail of the distribution is larger than if one used a Gaussian, hence the surprisingly frequent occurrence of 100-year floods. Floods were initially modeled as a Gaussian process, which underestimated the frequency of extreme events.

It is one of a class of extreme value distributions, the Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions, which also includes the Weibull and Frechet.

The function has a mean of  $\mu + 0.57721\beta$  and a variance of  $\frac{\pi^2}{6}\beta^2$ .

**References**

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, beta = 0, 0.1 # location and scale
>>> s = np.random.gumbel(mu, beta, 1000)
```

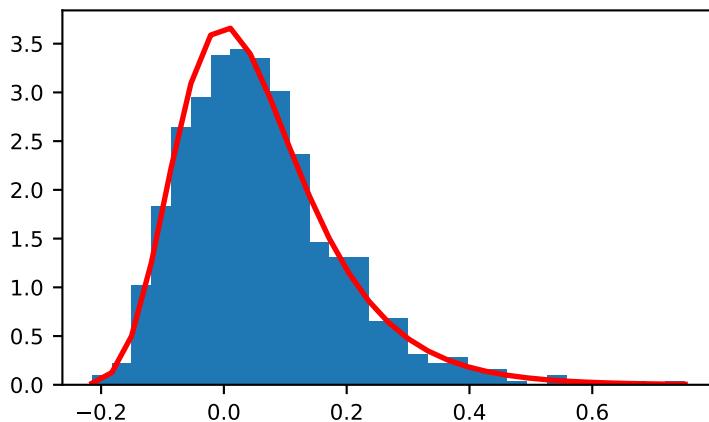
Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, (1/beta)*np.exp(-(bins - mu)/beta)
...           * np.exp( -np.exp( -(bins - mu) /beta) ),
...           linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

Show how an extreme value distribution can arise from a Gaussian process and compare to a Gaussian:

```
>>> means = []
>>> maxima = []
>>> for i in range(0,1000) :
...     a = np.random.normal(mu, beta, 1000)
```

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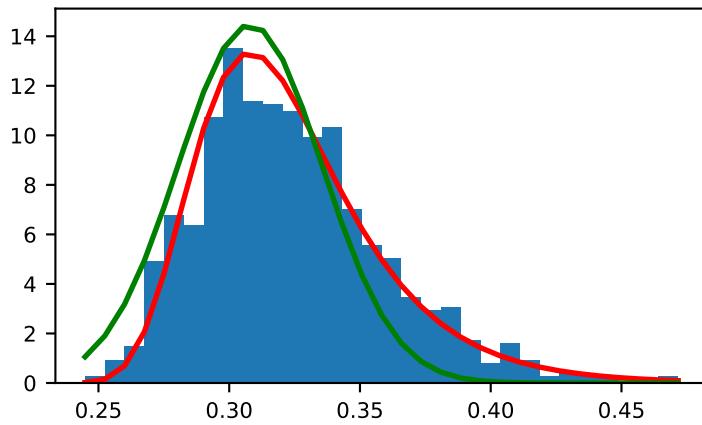


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```

...     means.append(a.mean())
...     maxima.append(a.max())
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(maxima, 30, density=True)
>>> beta = np.std(maxima) * np.sqrt(6) / np.pi
>>> mu = np.mean(maxima) - 0.57721*beta
>>> plt.plot(bins, (1/beta)*np.exp(-(bins - mu)/beta),
...             * np.exp(-np.exp(-(bins - mu)/beta)),
...             linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.plot(bins, 1/(beta * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)),
...             * np.exp(-(bins - mu)**2 / (2 * beta**2)),
...             linewidth=2, color='g')
>>> plt.show()

```



method

`random.RandomState.hypergeometric(ngood, nbad, nsample, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Hypergeometric distribution.

Samples are drawn from a hypergeometric distribution with specified parameters, `ngood` (ways to make a good selection), `nbad` (ways to make a bad selection), and `nsample` (number of items sampled, which is less than or equal to the sum `ngood + nbad`).

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**Note:** New code should use the `hypergeometric` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `ngood`

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of ways to make a good selection. Must be nonnegative.

### `nbad`

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of ways to make a bad selection. Must be nonnegative.

### `nsample`

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of items sampled. Must be at least 1 and at most `ngood + nbad`.

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `ngood`, `nbad`, and `nsample` are all scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(ngood, nbad, nsample).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized hypergeometric distribution. Each sample is the number of good items within a randomly selected subset of size `nsample` taken from a set of `ngood` good items and `nbad` bad items.

## See also:

[`scipy.stats.hypergeom`](#)

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

[`random.Generator.hypergeometric`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Hypergeometric distribution is

$$P(x) = \frac{\binom{g}{x} \binom{b}{n-x}}{\binom{g+b}{n}},$$

where  $0 \leq x \leq n$  and  $n - b \leq x \leq g$

for  $P(x)$  the probability of  $x$  good results in the drawn sample,  $g = ngood$ ,  $b = nbad$ , and  $n = nsample$ .

Consider an urn with black and white marbles in it,  $ngood$  of them are black and  $nbad$  are white. If you draw  $nsample$  balls without replacement, then the hypergeometric distribution describes the distribution of black balls in the drawn sample.

Note that this distribution is very similar to the binomial distribution, except that in this case, samples are drawn without replacement, whereas in the Binomial case samples are drawn with replacement (or the sample space is infinite). As the sample space becomes large, this distribution approaches the binomial.

## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> ngood, nbad, nsamp = 100, 2, 10
# number of good, number of bad, and number of samples
>>> s = np.random.hypergeometric(ngood, nbad, nsamp, 1000)
>>> from matplotlib.pyplot import hist
>>> hist(s)
# note that it is very unlikely to grab both bad items
```

Suppose you have an urn with 15 white and 15 black marbles. If you pull 15 marbles at random, how likely is it that 12 or more of them are one color?

```
>>> s = np.random.hypergeometric(15, 15, 15, 100000)
>>> sum(s>=12)/100000. + sum(s<=3)/100000.
# answer = 0.003 ... pretty unlikely!
```

method

`random.RandomState.laplace(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from the Laplace or double exponential distribution with specified location (or mean) and scale (decay).

The Laplace distribution is similar to the Gaussian/normal distribution, but is sharper at the peak and has fatter tails. It represents the difference between two independent, identically distributed exponential random variables.

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**Note:** New code should use the `laplace` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

**loc**

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The position,  $\mu$ , of the distribution peak. Default is 0.

**scale**

[float or array\_like of floats, optional]  $\lambda$ , the exponential decay. Default is 1. Must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if loc and scale are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Laplace distribution.

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.laplace`](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

It has the probability density function

$$f(x; \mu, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \exp\left(-\frac{|x - \mu|}{\lambda}\right).$$

The first law of Laplace, from 1774, states that the frequency of an error can be expressed as an exponential function of the absolute magnitude of the error, which leads to the Laplace distribution. For many problems in economics and health sciences, this distribution seems to model the data better than the standard Gaussian distribution.

**References**

[1], [2], [3], [4]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution

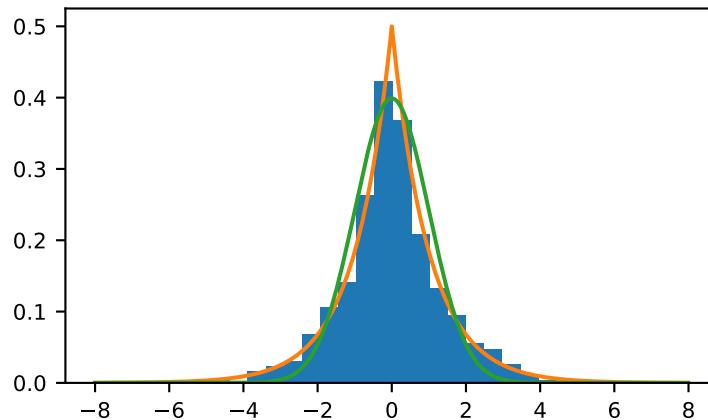
```
>>> loc, scale = 0., 1.
>>> s = np.random.laplace(loc, scale, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> x = np.arange(-8., 8., .01)
>>> pdf = np.exp(-abs(x-loc)/scale)/(2.*scale)
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf)
```

Plot Gaussian for comparison:

```
>>> g = (1/(scale * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)) *
...         np.exp(-(x - loc)**2 / (2 * scale**2)))
>>> plt.plot(x,g)
```



## method

`random.RandomState.logistic(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a logistic distribution.

Samples are drawn from a logistic distribution with specified parameters, loc (location or mean, also median), and scale ( $>0$ ).

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**Note:** New code should use the `logistic` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### loc

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Parameter of the distribution. Default is 0.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Parameter of the distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `loc` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized logistic distribution.

**See also:****`scipy.stats.logistic`**

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**`random.Generator.logistic`**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Logistic distribution is

$$P(x) = P(x) = \frac{e^{-(x-\mu)/s}}{s(1 + e^{-(x-\mu)/s})^2},$$

where  $\mu$  = location and  $s$  = scale.

The Logistic distribution is used in Extreme Value problems where it can act as a mixture of Gumbel distributions, in Epidemiology, and by the World Chess Federation (FIDE) where it is used in the Elo ranking system, assuming the performance of each player is a logistically distributed random variable.

**References**

[1], [2], [3]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> loc, scale = 10, 1
>>> s = np.random.logistic(loc, scale, 10000)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, bins=50)
```

# plot against distribution

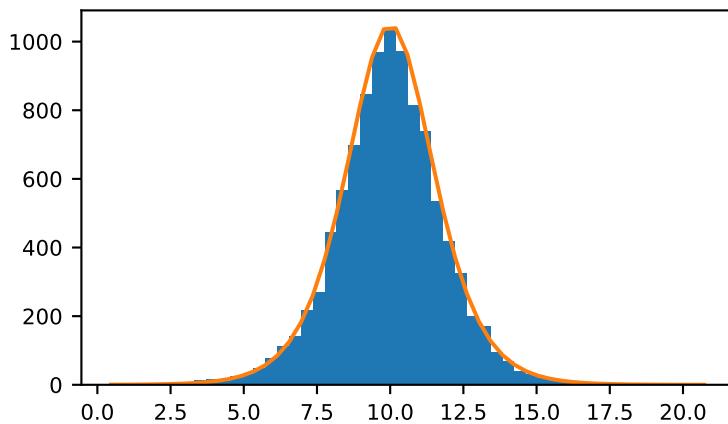
```
>>> def logist(x, loc, scale):
...     return np.exp((loc-x)/scale)/(scale*(1+np.exp((loc-x)/scale))**2)
>>> lgst_val = logist(bins, loc, scale)
>>> plt.plot(bins, lgst_val * count.max() / lgst_val.max())
>>> plt.show()
```

**method**

`random.RandomState.lognormal(mean=0.0, sigma=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a log-normal distribution.

Draw samples from a log-normal distribution with specified mean, standard deviation, and array shape. Note that the mean and standard deviation are not the values for the distribution itself, but of the underlying normal distribution it is derived from.




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**Note:** New code should use the `lognormal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `mean`

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Mean value of the underlying normal distribution. Default is 0.

### `sigma`

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Standard deviation of the underlying normal distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `mean` and `sigma` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(mean, sigma).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized log-normal distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.lognorm`

probability density function, distribution, cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.lognormal`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

A variable  $x$  has a log-normal distribution if  $\log(x)$  is normally distributed. The probability density function for the log-normal distribution is:

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma x \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{(-\frac{(\ln(x)-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})}$$

where  $\mu$  is the mean and  $\sigma$  is the standard deviation of the normally distributed logarithm of the variable. A log-normal distribution results if a random variable is the *product* of a large number of independent, identically-distributed variables in the same way that a normal distribution results if the variable is the *sum* of a large number of independent, identically-distributed variables.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, sigma = 3., 1. # mean and standard deviation
>>> s = np.random.lognormal(mu, sigma, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 100, density=True, align='mid')
```

```
>>> x = np.linspace(min(bins), max(bins), 10000)
>>> pdf = (np.exp(-(np.log(x) - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2))
...         / (x * sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)))
```

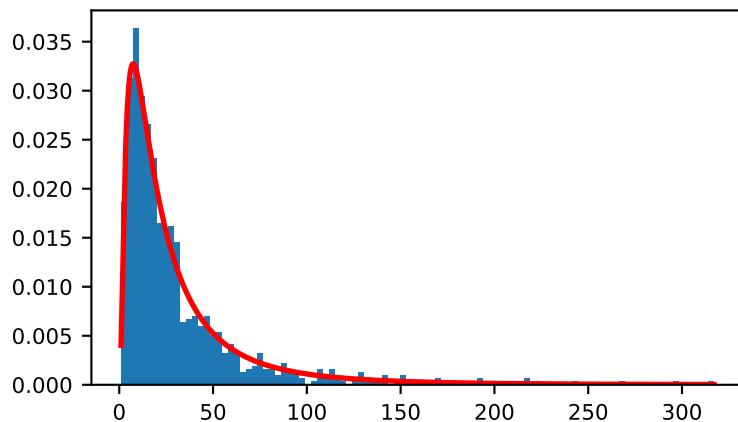
```
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.axis('tight')
>>> plt.show()
```

Demonstrate that taking the products of random samples from a uniform distribution can be fit well by a log-normal probability density function.

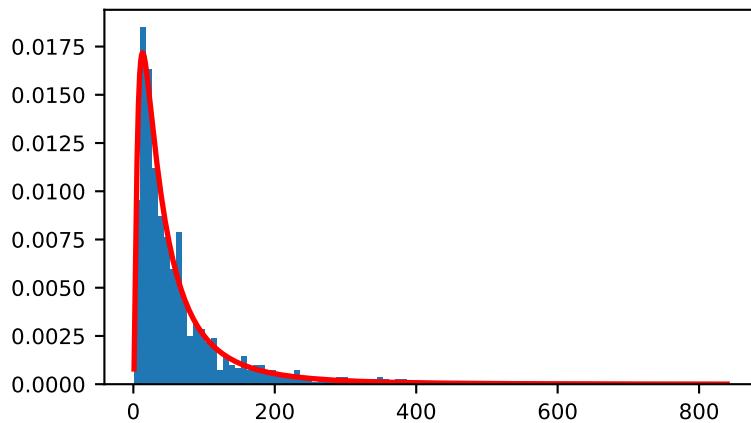
```
>>> # Generate a thousand samples: each is the product of 100 random
>>> # values, drawn from a normal distribution.
>>> b = []
>>> for i in range(1000):
...     a = 10. + np.random.standard_normal(100)
...     b.append(np.product(a))
```

```
>>> b = np.array(b) / np.min(b) # scale values to be positive
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(b, 100, density=True, align='mid')
>>> sigma = np.std(np.log(b))
>>> mu = np.mean(np.log(b))
```

```
>>> x = np.linspace(min(bins), max(bins), 10000)
>>> pdf = (np.exp(-(np.log(x) - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2))
...         / (x * sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)))
```



```
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf, color='r', linewidth=2)
>>> plt.show()
```



## method

```
random.RandomState.logseries(p, size=None)
```

Draw samples from a logarithmic series distribution.

Samples are drawn from a log series distribution with specified shape parameter,  $0 < p < 1$ .

---

**Note:** New code should use the `logseries` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

**p**

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape parameter for the distribution. Must be in the range (0, 1).

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if p is a scalar. Otherwise, np.array(p).size samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized logarithmic series distribution.

**See also:**

[scipy.stats.logser](#)

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

[random.Generator.logseries](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Log Series distribution is

$$P(k) = \frac{-p^k}{k \ln(1-p)},$$

where p = probability.

The log series distribution is frequently used to represent species richness and occurrence, first proposed by Fisher, Corbet, and Williams in 1943 [2]. It may also be used to model the numbers of occupants seen in cars [3].

**References**

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#), [\[3\]](#), [\[4\]](#)

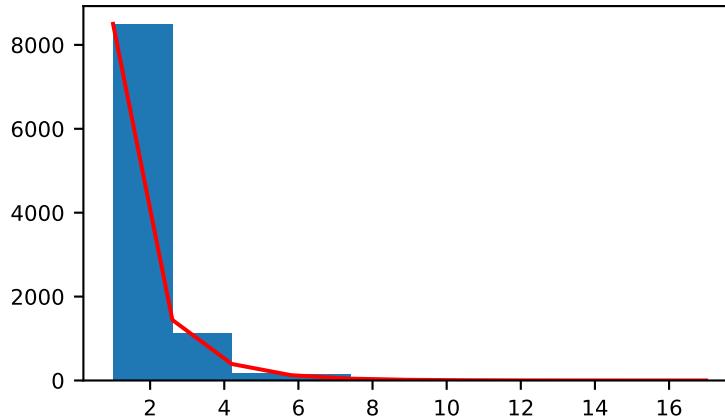
**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = .6
>>> s = np.random.logseries(a, 10000)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s)
```

# plot against distribution

```
>>> def logseries(k, p):
...     return -p**k / (k*np.log(1-p))
>>> plt.plot(bins, logseries(bins, a)*count.max() /
...            logseries(bins, a).max(), 'r')
>>> plt.show()
```



## method

random.RandomState.**multinomial**(*n*, *pvals*, *size=None*)

Draw samples from a multinomial distribution.

The multinomial distribution is a multivariate generalization of the binomial distribution. Take an experiment with one of *p* possible outcomes. An example of such an experiment is throwing a dice, where the outcome can be 1 through 6. Each sample drawn from the distribution represents *n* such experiments. Its values,  $X_{-i} = [X_0, X_1, \dots, X_p]$ , represent the number of times the outcome was *i*.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `multinomial` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### **n**

[int] Number of experiments.

### **pvals**

[sequence of floats, length *p*] Probabilities of each of the *p* different outcomes. These must sum to 1 (however, the last element is always assumed to account for the remaining probability, as long as `sum(pvals[:-1]) <= 1`).

### **size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (*m*, *n*, *k*), then *m* \* *n* \* *k* samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The drawn samples, of shape *size*, if that was provided. If not, the shape is (N, ).

In other words, each entry `out [i, j, ..., :]` is an N-dimensional value drawn from the distribution.

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.multinomial`](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Examples**

Throw a dice 20 times:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(20, [1/6.] * 6, size=1)
array([[4, 1, 7, 5, 2, 1]]) # random
```

It landed 4 times on 1, once on 2, etc.

Now, throw the dice 20 times, and 20 times again:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(20, [1/6.] * 6, size=2)
array([[3, 4, 3, 3, 4, 3], # random
       [2, 4, 3, 4, 0, 7]])
```

For the first run, we threw 3 times 1, 4 times 2, etc. For the second, we threw 2 times 1, 4 times 2, etc.

A loaded die is more likely to land on number 6:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(100, [1/7.] * 5 + [2/7.])
array([11, 16, 14, 17, 16, 26]) # random
```

The probability inputs should be normalized. As an implementation detail, the value of the last entry is ignored and assumed to take up any leftover probability mass, but this should not be relied on. A biased coin which has twice as much weight on one side as on the other should be sampled like so:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(100, [1.0 / 3, 2.0 / 3]) # RIGHT
array([38, 62]) # random
```

not like:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(100, [1.0, 2.0]) # WRONG
Traceback (most recent call last):
ValueError: pvals < 0, pvals > 1 or pvals contains NaNs
```

**method**

`random.RandomState.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, size=None, check_valid='warn', tol=1e-8)`

Draw random samples from a multivariate normal distribution.

The multivariate normal, multinormal or Gaussian distribution is a generalization of the one-dimensional normal distribution to higher dimensions. Such a distribution is specified by its mean and covariance matrix. These parameters are analogous to the mean (average or “center”) and variance (standard deviation, or “width,” squared) of the one-dimensional normal distribution.

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**Note:** New code should use the `multivariate_normal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `mean`

[1-D array\_like, of length N] Mean of the N-dimensional distribution.

### `cov`

[2-D array\_like, of shape (N, N)] Covariance matrix of the distribution. It must be symmetric and positive-semidefinite for proper sampling.

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Given a shape of, for example, `(m, n, k)`,  $m \times n \times k$  samples are generated, and packed in an  $m$ -by- $n$ -by- $k$  arrangement. Because each sample is  $N$ -dimensional, the output shape is `(m, n, k, N)`. If no shape is specified, a single ( $N$ -D) sample is returned.

### `check_valid`

[{‘warn’, ‘raise’, ‘ignore’}, optional] Behavior when the covariance matrix is not positive semidefinite.

### `tol`

[float, optional] Tolerance when checking the singular values in covariance matrix. `cov` is cast to double before the check.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray] The drawn samples, of shape `size`, if that was provided. If not, the shape is `(N, )`.

In other words, each entry `out[i, j, ..., :]` is an  $N$ -dimensional value drawn from the distribution.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.multivariate\_normal`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The mean is a coordinate in  $N$ -dimensional space, which represents the location where samples are most likely to be generated. This is analogous to the peak of the bell curve for the one-dimensional or univariate normal distribution.

Covariance indicates the level to which two variables vary together. From the multivariate normal distribution, we draw  $N$ -dimensional samples,  $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N]$ . The covariance matrix element  $C_{ij}$  is the covariance of  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ . The element  $C_{ii}$  is the variance of  $x_i$  (i.e. its “spread”).

Instead of specifying the full covariance matrix, popular approximations include:

- Spherical covariance (`cov` is a multiple of the identity matrix)
- Diagonal covariance (`cov` has non-negative elements, and only on the diagonal)

This geometrical property can be seen in two dimensions by plotting generated data-points:

```
>>> mean = [0, 0]
>>> cov = [[1, 0], [0, 100]] # diagonal covariance
```

Diagonal covariance means that points are oriented along x or y-axis:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x, y = np.random.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, 5000).T
>>> plt.plot(x, y, 'x')
>>> plt.axis('equal')
>>> plt.show()
```

Note that the covariance matrix must be positive semidefinite (a.k.a. nonnegative-definite). Otherwise, the behavior of this method is undefined and backwards compatibility is not guaranteed.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> mean = (1, 2)
>>> cov = [[1, 0], [0, 1]]
>>> x = np.random.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, (3, 3))
>>> x.shape
(3, 3, 2)
```

Here we generate 800 samples from the bivariate normal distribution with mean [0, 0] and covariance matrix [[6, -3], [-3, 3.5]]. The expected variances of the first and second components of the sample are 6 and 3.5, respectively, and the expected correlation coefficient is  $-3/\sqrt{6*3.5} \approx -0.65465$ .

```
>>> cov = np.array([[6, -3], [-3, 3.5]])
>>> pts = np.random.multivariate_normal([0, 0], cov, size=800)
```

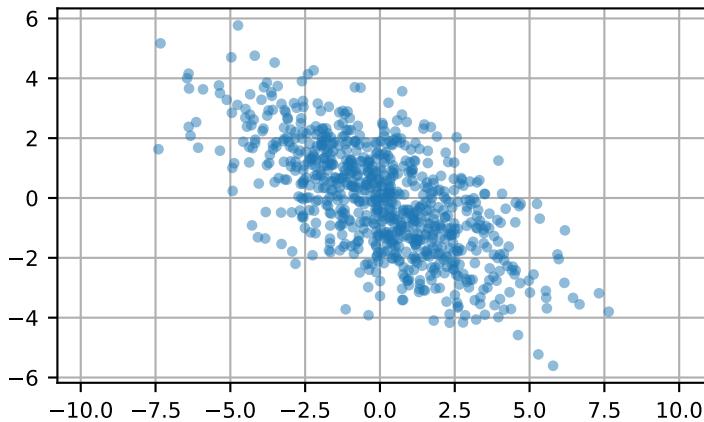
Check that the mean, covariance, and correlation coefficient of the sample are close to the expected values:

```
>>> pts.mean(axis=0)
array([ 0.0326911 , -0.01280782]) # may vary
>>> np.cov(pts.T)
array([[ 5.96202397, -2.85602287],
       [-2.85602287,  3.47613949]]) # may vary
>>> np.corrcoef(pts.T)[0, 1]
-0.6273591314603949 # may vary
```

We can visualize this data with a scatter plot. The orientation of the point cloud illustrates the negative correlation of the components of this sample.

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.plot(pts[:, 0], pts[:, 1], '.', alpha=0.5)
>>> plt.axis('equal')
>>> plt.grid()
>>> plt.show()
```

method



`random.RandomState.negative_binomial(n, p, size=None)`

Draw samples from a negative binomial distribution.

Samples are drawn from a negative binomial distribution with specified parameters,  $n$  successes and  $p$  probability of success where  $n$  is  $> 0$  and  $p$  is in the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

---

**Note:** New code should use the `negative_binomial` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### n

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution,  $> 0$ .

### p

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution,  $\geq 0$  and  $\leq 1$ .

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if n and p are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(n, p).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized negative binomial distribution, where each sample is equal to N, the number of failures that occurred before a total of n successes was reached.

**See also:**

**`random.Generator.negative_binomial`**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability mass function of the negative binomial distribution is

$$P(N; n, p) = \frac{\Gamma(N+n)}{N!\Gamma(n)} p^n (1-p)^N,$$

where  $n$  is the number of successes,  $p$  is the probability of success,  $N + n$  is the number of trials, and  $\Gamma$  is the gamma function. When  $n$  is an integer,  $\frac{\Gamma(N+n)}{N!\Gamma(n)} = \binom{N+n-1}{N}$ , which is the more common form of this term in the pmf. The negative binomial distribution gives the probability of  $N$  failures given  $n$  successes, with a success on the last trial.

If one throws a die repeatedly until the third time a “1” appears, then the probability distribution of the number of non-“1”s that appear before the third “1” is a negative binomial distribution.

**References**

[1], [2]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

A real world example. A company drills wild-cat oil exploration wells, each with an estimated probability of success of 0.1. What is the probability of having one success for each successive well, that is what is the probability of a single success after drilling 5 wells, after 6 wells, etc.?

```
>>> s = np.random.negative_binomial(1, 0.1, 100000)
>>> for i in range(1, 11):
...     probability = sum(s<i) / 100000.
...     print(i, "wells drilled, probability of one success =", probability)
```

method

`random.RandomState.noncentral_chisquare(df, nonc, size=None)`

Draw samples from a noncentral chi-square distribution.

The noncentral  $\chi^2$  distribution is a generalization of the  $\chi^2$  distribution.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `noncentral_chisquare` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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**Parameters****df**

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom, must be > 0.

Changed in version 1.10.0: Earlier NumPy versions required dfnum > 1.

**nonc**

[float or array\_like of floats] Non-centrality, must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if df and nonc are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(df, nonc).size samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized noncentral chi-square distribution.

**See also:**

[random.Generator.noncentral\\_chisquare](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density function for the noncentral Chi-square distribution is

$$P(x; df, nonc) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-nonc/2} (nonc/2)^i}{i!} P_{Y_{df+2i}}(x),$$

where  $Y_q$  is the Chi-square with q degrees of freedom.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

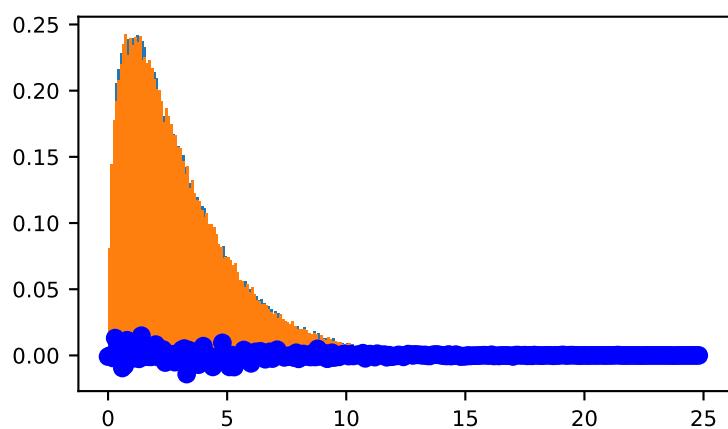
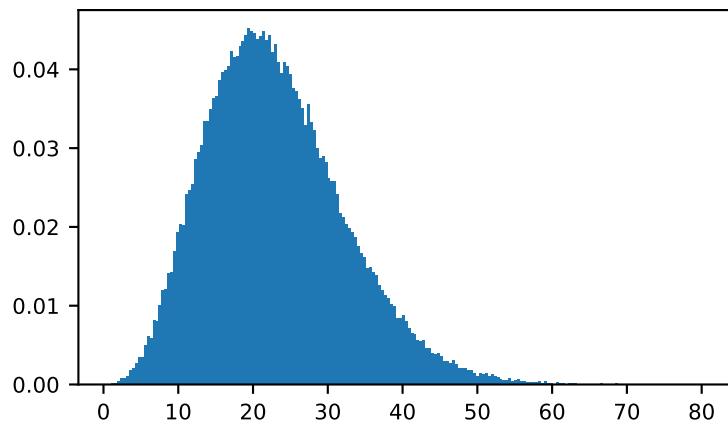
Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> values = plt.hist(np.random.noncentral_chisquare(3, 20, 100000),
...                     bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```

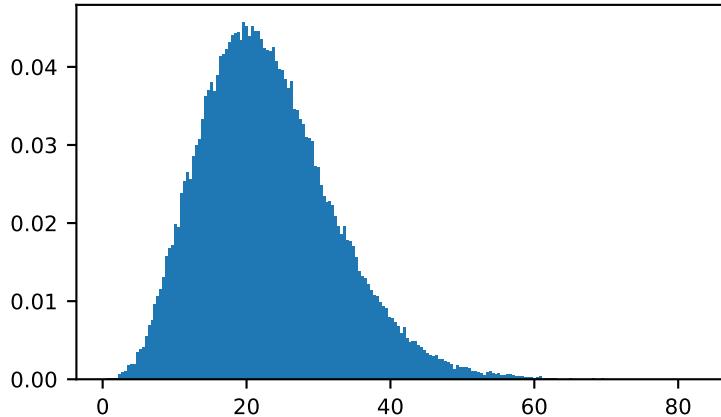
Draw values from a noncentral chisquare with very small noncentrality, and compare to a chisquare.

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> values = plt.hist(np.random.noncentral_chisquare(3, .0000001, 100000),
...                     bins=np.arange(0., 25, .1), density=True)
>>> values2 = plt.hist(np.random.chisquare(3, 100000),
...                     bins=np.arange(0., 25, .1), density=True)
>>> plt.plot(values[1][0:-1], values[0]-values2[0], 'ob')
>>> plt.show()
```

Demonstrate how large values of non-centrality lead to a more symmetric distribution.



```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> values = plt.hist(np.random.noncentral_chisquare(3, 20, 100000),
...                     bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



## method

`random.RandomState.noncentral_f (dfnum, dfden, nonc, size=None)`

Draw samples from the noncentral F distribution.

Samples are drawn from an F distribution with specified parameters, *dfnum* (degrees of freedom in numerator) and *dfden* (degrees of freedom in denominator), where both parameters > 1. *nonc* is the non-centrality parameter.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `noncentral_f` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### **dfnum**

[float or array\_like of floats] Numerator degrees of freedom, must be > 0.

Changed in version 1.14.0: Earlier NumPy versions required *dfnum* > 1.

### **dfden**

[float or array\_like of floats] Denominator degrees of freedom, must be > 0.

### **nonc**

[float or array\_like of floats] Non-centrality parameter, the sum of the squares of the numerator means, must be  $\geq 0$ .

### **size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned

if `dfnum`, `dfden`, and `nonc` are all scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(dfnum, dfden, nonc).size` samples are drawn.

### Returns

#### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized noncentral Fisher distribution.

### See also:

`random.Generator.noncentral_f`

which should be used for new code.

### Notes

When calculating the power of an experiment (power = probability of rejecting the null hypothesis when a specific alternative is true) the non-central F statistic becomes important. When the null hypothesis is true, the F statistic follows a central F distribution. When the null hypothesis is not true, then it follows a non-central F statistic.

### References

[1], [2]

### Examples

In a study, testing for a specific alternative to the null hypothesis requires use of the Noncentral F distribution. We need to calculate the area in the tail of the distribution that exceeds the value of the F distribution for the null hypothesis. We'll plot the two probability distributions for comparison.

```
>>> dfnum = 3 # between group deg of freedom
>>> dfden = 20 # within groups degrees of freedom
>>> nonc = 3.0
>>> nc_vals = np.random.noncentral_f(dfnum, dfden, nonc, 1000000)
>>> NF = np.histogram(nc_vals, bins=50, density=True)
>>> c_vals = np.random.f(dfnum, dfden, 1000000)
>>> F = np.histogram(c_vals, bins=50, density=True)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.plot(F[1][1:], F[0])
>>> plt.plot(NF[1][1:], NF[0])
>>> plt.show()
```

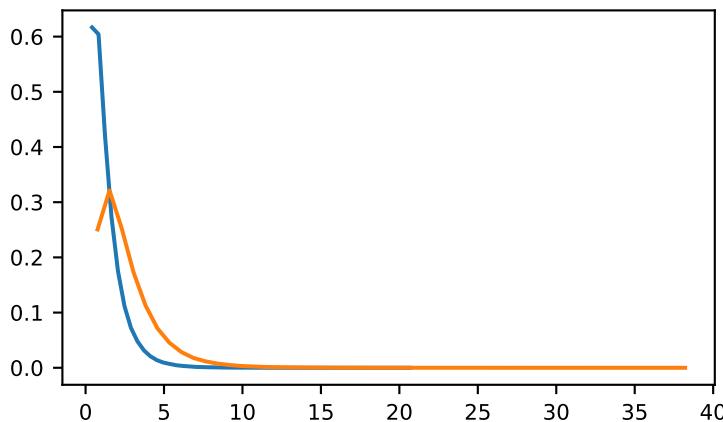
method

`random.RandomState.normal(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw random samples from a normal (Gaussian) distribution.

The probability density function of the normal distribution, first derived by De Moivre and 200 years later by both Gauss and Laplace independently [2], is often called the bell curve because of its characteristic shape (see the example below).

The normal distributions occurs often in nature. For example, it describes the commonly occurring distribution of samples influenced by a large number of tiny, random disturbances, each with its own unique distribution [2].




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**Note:** New code should use the `normal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### loc

[float or array\_like of floats] Mean (“centre”) of the distribution.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats] Standard deviation (spread or “width”) of the distribution. Must be non-negative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `loc` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized normal distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.norm`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.normal`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Gaussian distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mean and  $\sigma$  the standard deviation. The square of the standard deviation,  $\sigma^2$ , is called the variance.

The function has its peak at the mean, and its “spread” increases with the standard deviation (the function reaches 0.607 times its maximum at  $x + \sigma$  and  $x - \sigma$  [2]). This implies that normal is more likely to return samples lying close to the mean, rather than those far away.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, sigma = 0, 0.1 # mean and standard deviation
>>> s = np.random.normal(mu, sigma, 1000)
```

Verify the mean and the variance:

```
>>> abs(mu - np.mean(s))
0.0 # may vary
```

```
>>> abs(sigma - np.std(s, ddof=1))
0.1 # may vary
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, 1/(sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)) *
...             np.exp(- (bins - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2)),
...             linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

Two-by-four array of samples from N(3, 6.25):

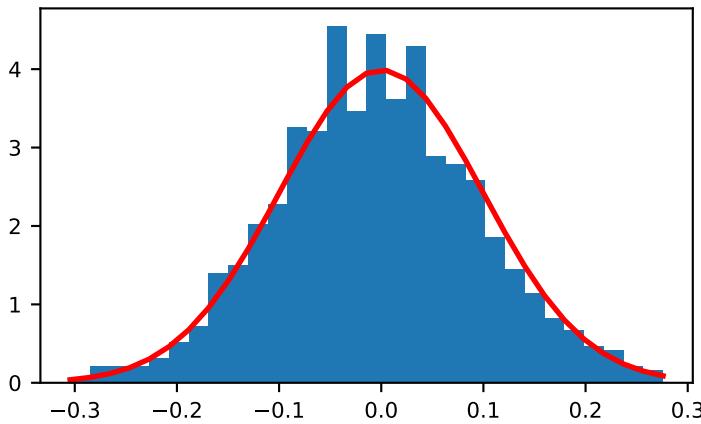
```
>>> np.random.normal(3, 2.5, size=(2, 4))
array([[-4.49401501,  4.00950034, -1.81814867,  7.29718677],     # random
       [ 0.39924804,  4.68456316,  4.99394529,  4.84057254]]) # random
```

method

`random.RandomState.pareto(a, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Pareto II or Lomax distribution with specified shape.

The Lomax or Pareto II distribution is a shifted Pareto distribution. The classical Pareto distribution can be obtained from the Lomax distribution by adding 1 and multiplying by the scale parameter  $m$  (see Notes). The smallest value of the Lomax distribution is zero while for the classical Pareto distribution it is  $\mu$ , where the standard Pareto



distribution has location `mu = 1`. Lomax can also be considered as a simplified version of the Generalized Pareto distribution (available in SciPy), with the scale set to one and the location set to zero.

The Pareto distribution must be greater than zero, and is unbounded above. It is also known as the “80-20 rule”. In this distribution, 80 percent of the weights are in the lowest 20 percent of the range, while the other 20 percent fill the remaining 80 percent of the range.

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**Note:** New code should use the `pareto` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### a

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape of the distribution. Must be positive.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `a` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Pareto distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.lomax`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### `scipy.stats.genpareto`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**`random.Generator.pareto`**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Pareto distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{am^a}{x^{a+1}}$$

where  $a$  is the shape and  $m$  the scale.

The Pareto distribution, named after the Italian economist Vilfredo Pareto, is a power law probability distribution useful in many real world problems. Outside the field of economics it is generally referred to as the Bradford distribution. Pareto developed the distribution to describe the distribution of wealth in an economy. It has also found use in insurance, web page access statistics, oil field sizes, and many other problems, including the download frequency for projects in Sourceforge [1]. It is one of the so-called “fat-tailed” distributions.

**References**

[1], [2], [3], [4]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a, m = 3., 2. # shape and mode
>>> s = (np.random.pareto(a, 1000) + 1) * m
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, _ = plt.hist(s, 100, density=True)
>>> fit = a*m**a / bins**(a+1)
>>> plt.plot(bins, max(count)*fit/max(fit), linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

method

`random.RandomState.poisson(lam=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Poisson distribution.

The Poisson distribution is the limit of the binomial distribution for large N.

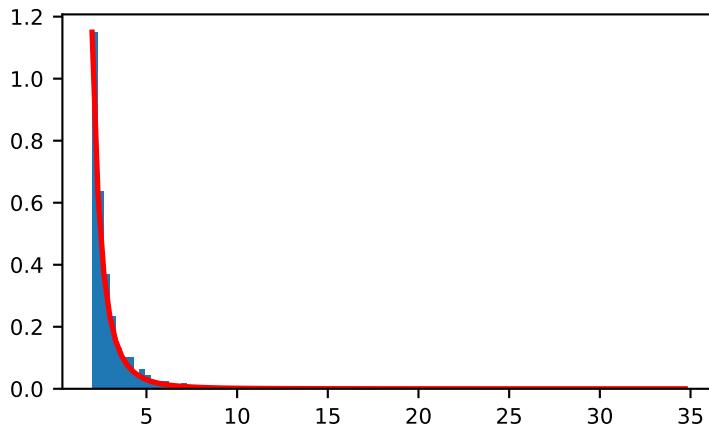
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**Note:** New code should use the `poisson` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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**Parameters****lam**

[float or array\_like of floats] Expected number of events occurring in a fixed-time interval, must be  $\geq 0$ . A sequence must be broadcastable over the requested size.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `lam` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(lam).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Poisson distribution.

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.poisson`](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The Poisson distribution

$$f(k; \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$

For events with an expected separation  $\lambda$  the Poisson distribution  $f(k; \lambda)$  describes the probability of  $k$  events occurring within the observed interval  $\lambda$ .

Because the output is limited to the range of the C int64 type, a `ValueError` is raised when `lam` is within 10 sigma of the maximum representable value.

## References

[1], [2]

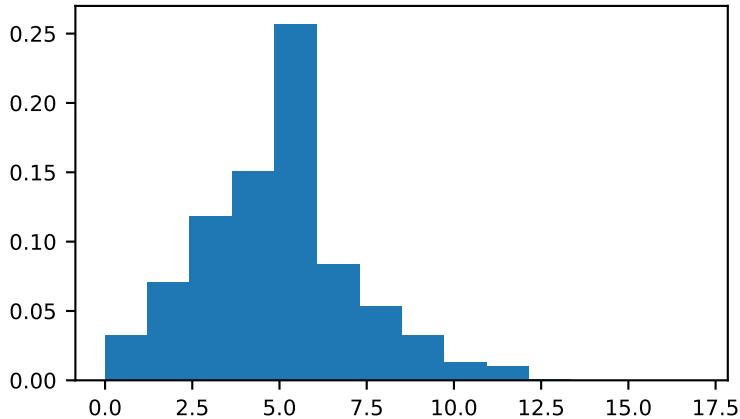
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> import numpy as np  
>>> s = np.random.poisson(5, 10000)
```

Display histogram of the sample:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 14, density=True)  
>>> plt.show()
```



Draw each 100 values for lambda 100 and 500:

```
>>> s = np.random.poisson(lam=(100., 500.), size=(100, 2))
```

method

random.RandomState.power(a, size=None)

Draws samples in [0, 1] from a power distribution with positive exponent a - 1.

Also known as the power function distribution.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `power` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

**a**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution. Must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if a is a scalar. Otherwise, np.array(a).size samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized power distribution.

**Raises****ValueError**

If a <= 0.

**See also:**

[random.Generator.power](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density function is

$$P(x; a) = ax^{a-1}, 0 \leq x \leq 1, a > 0.$$

The power function distribution is just the inverse of the Pareto distribution. It may also be seen as a special case of the Beta distribution.

It is used, for example, in modeling the over-reporting of insurance claims.

**References**

[1], [2]

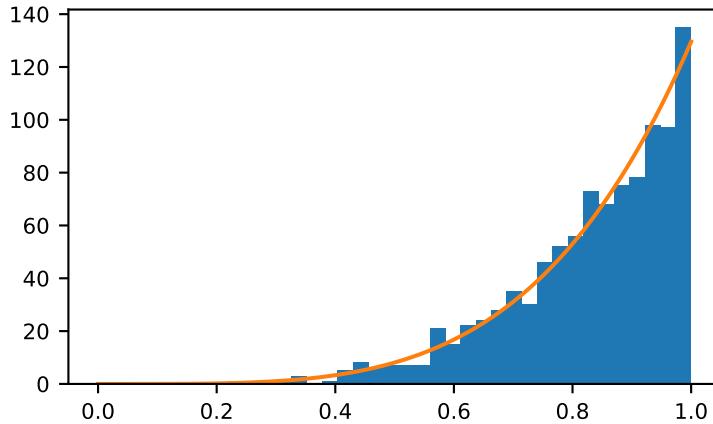
**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = 5. # shape
>>> samples = 1000
>>> s = np.random.power(a, samples)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, bins=30)
>>> x = np.linspace(0, 1, 100)
>>> y = a*x***(a-1.)
>>> normed_y = samples*np.diff(bins)[0]*y
>>> plt.plot(x, normed_y)
>>> plt.show()
```



Compare the power function distribution to the inverse of the Pareto.

```
>>> from scipy import stats
>>> rvs = np.random.power(5, 1000000)
>>> rvsp = np.random.pareto(5, 1000000)
>>> xx = np.linspace(0,1,100)
>>> powpdf = stats.powerlaw.pdf(xx,5)
```

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(rvs, bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx,powpdf,'r-')
>>> plt.title('np.random.power(5)')
```

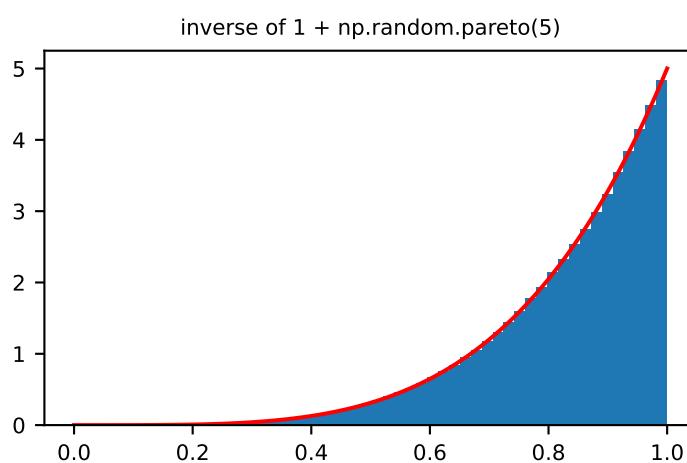
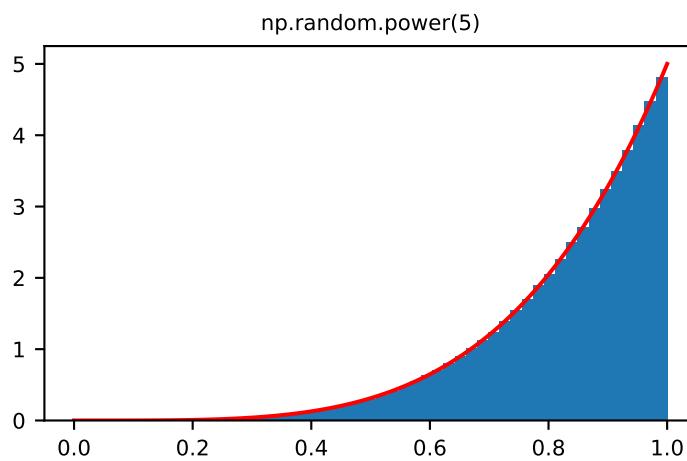
```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(1./(1.+rvsp), bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx,powpdf,'r-')
>>> plt.title('inverse of 1 + np.random.pareto(5)')
```

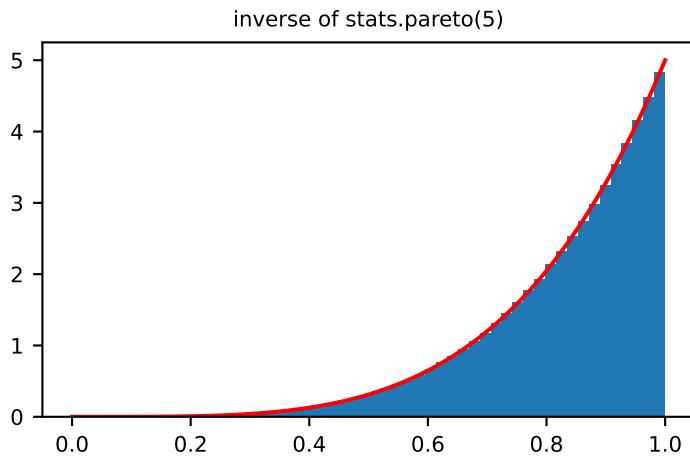
```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(1./(1.+rvsp), bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx,powpdf,'r-')
>>> plt.title('inverse of stats.pareto(5)')
```

method

`random.RandomState.rayleigh(scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Rayleigh distribution.





The  $\chi$  and Weibull distributions are generalizations of the Rayleigh.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `rayleigh` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `scale`

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Scale, also equals the mode. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `scale` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Rayleigh distribution.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.rayleigh`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function for the Rayleigh distribution is

$$P(x; scale) = \frac{x}{scale^2} e^{\frac{-x^2}{2 \cdot scale^2}}$$

The Rayleigh distribution would arise, for example, if the East and North components of the wind velocity had identical zero-mean Gaussian distributions. Then the wind speed would have a Rayleigh distribution.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram

```
>>> from matplotlib.pyplot import hist
>>> values = hist(np.random.rayleigh(3, 100000), bins=200, density=True)
```

Wave heights tend to follow a Rayleigh distribution. If the mean wave height is 1 meter, what fraction of waves are likely to be larger than 3 meters?

```
>>> meanvalue = 1
>>> modevalue = np.sqrt(2 / np.pi) * meanvalue
>>> s = np.random.rayleigh(modevalue, 1000000)
```

The percentage of waves larger than 3 meters is:

```
>>> 100.*sum(s>3)/1000000.
0.08730000000000003 # random
```

method

`random.RandomState.standard_cauchy(size=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Cauchy distribution with mode = 0.

Also known as the Lorentz distribution.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `standard_cauchy` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

## Returns

### samples

[ndarray or scalar] The drawn samples.

**See also:**

`random.Generator.standard_cauchy`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function for the full Cauchy distribution is

$$P(x; x_0, \gamma) = \frac{1}{\pi\gamma[1 + (\frac{x-x_0}{\gamma})^2]}$$

and the Standard Cauchy distribution just sets  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\gamma = 1$

The Cauchy distribution arises in the solution to the driven harmonic oscillator problem, and also describes spectral line broadening. It also describes the distribution of values at which a line tilted at a random angle will cut the x axis.

When studying hypothesis tests that assume normality, seeing how the tests perform on data from a Cauchy distribution is a good indicator of their sensitivity to a heavy-tailed distribution, since the Cauchy looks very much like a Gaussian distribution, but with heavier tails.

## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

Draw samples and plot the distribution:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> s = np.random.standard_cauchy(1000000)
>>> s = s[(s>-25) & (s<25)] # truncate distribution so it plots well
>>> plt.hist(s, bins=100)
>>> plt.show()
```

method

`random.RandomState.standard_exponential(size=None)`

Draw samples from the standard exponential distribution.

`standard_exponential` is identical to the exponential distribution with a scale parameter of 1.

---

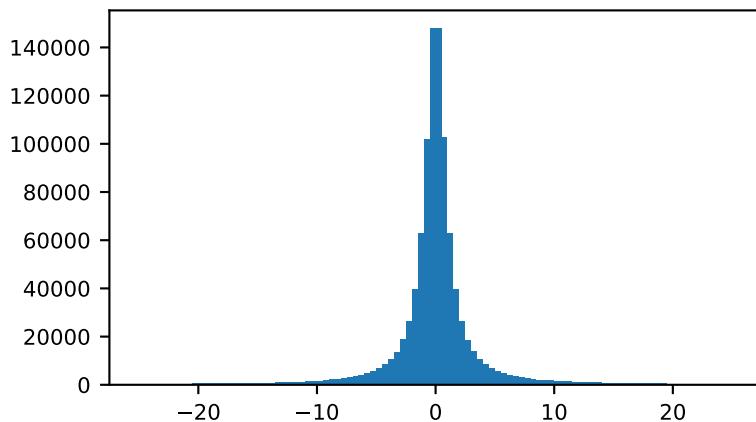
**Note:** New code should use the `standard_exponential` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

**Returns****out**

[float or ndarray] Drawn samples.

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.standard\_exponential`](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Examples**

Output a 3x8000 array:

```
>>> n = np.random.standard_exponential((3, 8000))
```

method

`random.RandomState.standard_gamma(shape, size=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Gamma distribution.

Samples are drawn from a Gamma distribution with specified parameters, shape (sometimes designated “k”) and scale=1.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `standard_gamma` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

**Parameters****shape**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter, must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `shape` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(shape).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized standard gamma distribution.

**See also:**

[scipy.stats.gamma](#)

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

[random.Generator.standard\\_gamma](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Gamma distribution is

$$p(x) = x^{k-1} \frac{e^{-x/\theta}}{\theta^k \Gamma(k)},$$

where  $k$  is the shape and  $\theta$  the scale, and  $\Gamma$  is the Gamma function.

The Gamma distribution is often used to model the times to failure of electronic components, and arises naturally in processes for which the waiting times between Poisson distributed events are relevant.

**References**

[1], [2]

**Examples**

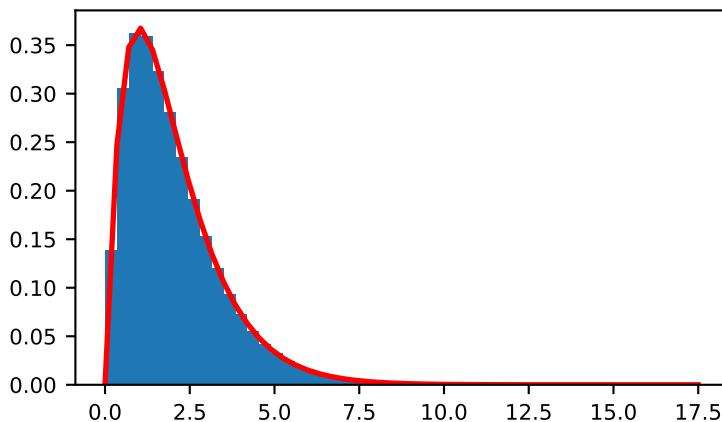
Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> shape, scale = 2., 1. # mean and width
>>> s = np.random.standard_gamma(shape, 1000000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> import scipy.special as sps
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> y = bins***(shape-1) * ((np.exp(-bins/scale))/
...                         (sps.gamma(shape) * scale**shape))
>>> plt.plot(bins, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

method



`random.RandomState.standard_normal(size=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Normal distribution (mean=0, stdev=1).

---

**Note:** New code should use the `standard_normal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a single value is returned.

## Returns

### `out`

[float or ndarray] A floating-point array of shape `size` of drawn samples, or a single sample if `size` was not specified.

## See also:

### `normal`

Equivalent function with additional `loc` and `scale` arguments for setting the mean and standard deviation.

### `random.Generator.standard_normal`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

For random samples from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , use one of:

```
mu + sigma * np.random.standard_normal(size=...)
np.random.normal(mu, sigma, size=...)
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.standard_normal()
2.1923875335537315 #random
```

```
>>> s = np.random.standard_normal(8000)
>>> s
array([ 0.6888893 ,  0.78096262, -0.89086505, ...,  0.49876311,  # random
       -0.38672696, -0.4685006 ])
>>> s.shape
(8000, )
>>> s = np.random.standard_normal(size=(3, 4, 2))
>>> s.shape
(3, 4, 2)
```

Two-by-four array of samples from  $N(3, 6.25)$ :

```
>>> 3 + 2.5 * np.random.standard_normal(size=(2, 4))
array([[ -4.49401501,   4.00950034, -1.81814867,   7.29718677],  # random
       [  0.39924804,   4.68456316,   4.99394529,   4.84057254]]) # random
```

method

`random.RandomState.standard_t(df, size=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Student's t distribution with  $df$  degrees of freedom.

A special case of the hyperbolic distribution. As  $df$  gets large, the result resembles that of the standard normal distribution (`standard_normal`).

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**Note:** New code should use the `standard_t` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### df

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom, must be  $> 0$ .

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `df` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(df).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized standard Student's t distribution.

**See also:**

[random.Generator.standard\\_t](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density function for the t distribution is

$$P(x, df) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{df+1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi df} \Gamma(\frac{df}{2})} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{df}\right)^{-(df+1)/2}$$

The t test is based on an assumption that the data come from a Normal distribution. The t test provides a way to test whether the sample mean (that is the mean calculated from the data) is a good estimate of the true mean.

The derivation of the t-distribution was first published in 1908 by William Gosset while working for the Guinness Brewery in Dublin. Due to proprietary issues, he had to publish under a pseudonym, and so he used the name Student.

**References**

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

**Examples**

From Dalgaard page 83 [\[1\]](#), suppose the daily energy intake for 11 women in kilojoules (kJ) is:

```
>>> intake = np.array([5260., 5470, 5640, 6180, 6390, 6515, 6805, 7515, \
...                 7515, 8230, 8770])
```

Does their energy intake deviate systematically from the recommended value of 7725 kJ? Our null hypothesis will be the absence of deviation, and the alternate hypothesis will be the presence of an effect that could be either positive or negative, hence making our test 2-tailed.

Because we are estimating the mean and we have N=11 values in our sample, we have N-1=10 degrees of freedom. We set our significance level to 95% and compute the t statistic using the empirical mean and empirical standard deviation of our intake. We use a ddof of 1 to base the computation of our empirical standard deviation on an unbiased estimate of the variance (note: the final estimate is not unbiased due to the concave nature of the square root).

```
>>> np.mean(intake)
6753.636363636364
>>> intake.std(ddof=1)
1142.1232221373727
>>> t = (np.mean(intake)-7725)/(intake.std(ddof=1)/np.sqrt(len(intake)))
>>> t
-2.8207540608310198
```

We draw 1000000 samples from Student's t distribution with the adequate degrees of freedom.

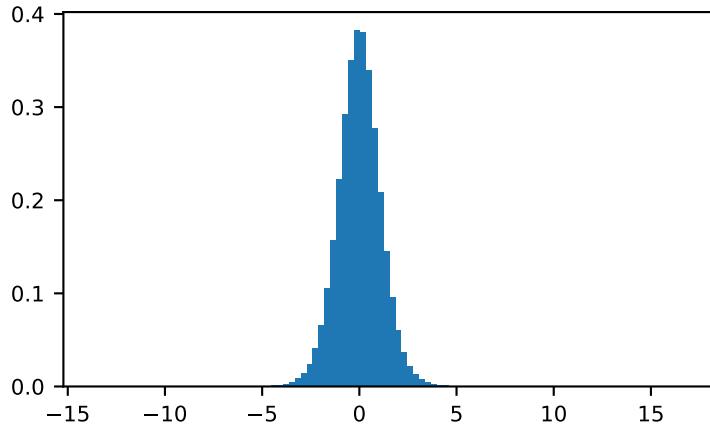
```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> s = np.random.standard_t(10, size=1000000)
>>> h = plt.hist(s, bins=100, density=True)
```

Does our t statistic land in one of the two critical regions found at both tails of the distribution?

```
>>> np.sum(np.abs(t) < np.abs(s)) / float(len(s))
0.018318 #random < 0.05, statistic is in critical region
```

The probability value for this 2-tailed test is about 1.83%, which is lower than the 5% pre-determined significance threshold.

Therefore, the probability of observing values as extreme as our intake conditionally on the null hypothesis being true is too low, and we reject the null hypothesis of no deviation.



## method

`random.RandomState.triangular(left, mode, right, size=None)`

Draw samples from the triangular distribution over the interval `[left, right]`.

The triangular distribution is a continuous probability distribution with lower limit `left`, peak at `mode`, and upper limit `right`. Unlike the other distributions, these parameters directly define the shape of the pdf.

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**Note:** New code should use the `triangular` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### left

[float or array\_like of floats] Lower limit.

### mode

[float or array\_like of floats] The value where the peak of the distribution occurs. The value must fulfill the condition `left <= mode <= right`.

**right**

[float or array\_like of floats] Upper limit, must be larger than *left*.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if left, mode, and right are all scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(left, mode, right).size samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized triangular distribution.

**See also:**

[random.Generator.triangular](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density function for the triangular distribution is

$$P(x; l, m, r) = \begin{cases} \frac{2(x-l)}{(r-l)(m-l)} & \text{for } l \leq x \leq m, \\ \frac{2(r-x)}{(r-l)(r-m)} & \text{for } m \leq x \leq r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The triangular distribution is often used in ill-defined problems where the underlying distribution is not known, but some knowledge of the limits and mode exists. Often it is used in simulations.

**References**

[1]

**Examples**

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram:

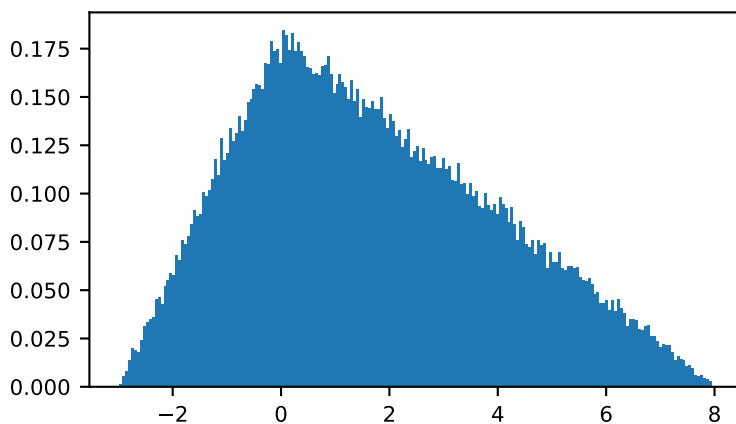
```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> h = plt.hist(np.random.triangular(-3, 0, 8, 100000), bins=200,
...               density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```

method

random.RandomState.uniform(*low*=0.0, *high*=1.0, *size*=None)

Draw samples from a uniform distribution.

Samples are uniformly distributed over the half-open interval [*low*, *high*) (includes *low*, but excludes *high*). In other words, any value within the given interval is equally likely to be drawn by [uniform](#).



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**Note:** New code should use the `uniform` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### `low`

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Lower boundary of the output interval. All values generated will be greater than or equal to `low`. The default value is 0.

### `high`

[float or array\_like of floats] Upper boundary of the output interval. All values generated will be less than or equal to `high`. The `high` limit may be included in the returned array of floats due to floating-point rounding in the equation `low + (high-low) * random_sample()`. The default value is 1.0.

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If `size` is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `low` and `high` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(low, high).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized uniform distribution.

## See also:

### `randint`

Discrete uniform distribution, yielding integers.

**`random_integers`**

Discrete uniform distribution over the closed interval [low, high].

**`random_sample`**

Floats uniformly distributed over [0, 1).

**`random`**

Alias for `random_sample`.

**`rand`**

Convenience function that accepts dimensions as input, e.g., `rand(2, 2)` would generate a 2-by-2 array of floats, uniformly distributed over [0, 1).

**`random.Generator.uniform`**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density function of the uniform distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{b - a}$$

anywhere within the interval [a, b), and zero elsewhere.

When `high == low`, values of `low` will be returned. If `high < low`, the results are officially undefined and may eventually raise an error, i.e. do not rely on this function to behave when passed arguments satisfying that inequality condition. The high limit may be included in the returned array of floats due to floating-point rounding in the equation `low + (high-low) * random_sample()`. For example:

```
>>> x = np.float32(5*0.99999999)
>>> x
5.0
```

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> s = np.random.uniform(-1, 0, 1000)
```

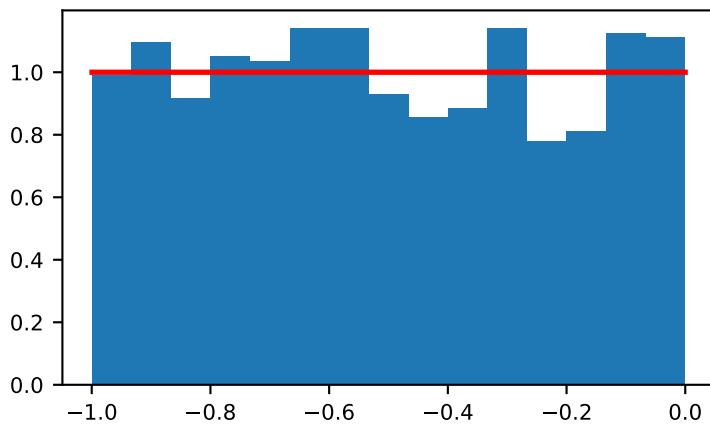
All values are within the given interval:

```
>>> np.all(s >= -1)
True
>>> np.all(s < 0)
True
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 15, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, np.ones_like(bins), linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

method



```
random.RandomState.vonmises(mu, kappa, size=None)
```

Draw samples from a von Mises distribution.

Samples are drawn from a von Mises distribution with specified mode (mu) and dispersion (kappa), on the interval [-pi, pi].

The von Mises distribution (also known as the circular normal distribution) is a continuous probability distribution on the unit circle. It may be thought of as the circular analogue of the normal distribution.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `vonmises` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### mu

[float or array\_like of floats] Mode (“center”) of the distribution.

### kappa

[float or array\_like of floats] Dispersion of the distribution, has to be  $\geq 0$ .

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if mu and kappa are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(mu, kappa).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized von Mises distribution.

## See also:

**scipy.stats.vonmises**

probability density function, distribution, or cumulative density function, etc.

**random.Generator.vonmises**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the von Mises distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{e^{\kappa \cos(x - \mu)}}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mode and  $\kappa$  the dispersion, and  $I_0(\kappa)$  is the modified Bessel function of order 0.

The von Mises is named for Richard Edler von Mises, who was born in Austria-Hungary, in what is now the Ukraine. He fled to the United States in 1939 and became a professor at Harvard. He worked in probability theory, aerodynamics, fluid mechanics, and philosophy of science.

**References**

[1], [2]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, kappa = 0.0, 4.0 # mean and dispersion
>>> s = np.random.vonmises(mu, kappa, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from scipy.special import i0
>>> plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> x = np.linspace(-np.pi, np.pi, num=51)
>>> y = np.exp(kappa*np.cos(x-mu)) / (2*np.pi*i0(kappa))
>>> plt.plot(x, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

method

`random.RandomState.wald(mean, scale, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Wald, or inverse Gaussian, distribution.

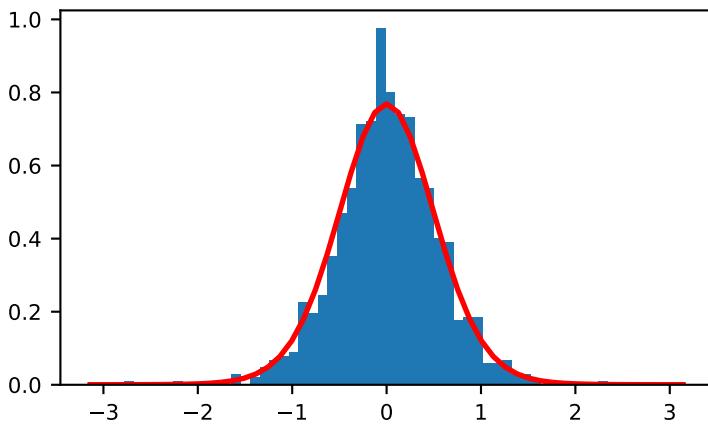
As the scale approaches infinity, the distribution becomes more like a Gaussian. Some references claim that the Wald is an inverse Gaussian with mean equal to 1, but this is by no means universal.

The inverse Gaussian distribution was first studied in relationship to Brownian motion. In 1956 M.C.K. Tweedie used the name inverse Gaussian because there is an inverse relationship between the time to cover a unit distance and distance covered in unit time.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `wald` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---



## Parameters

### mean

[float or array\_like of floats] Distribution mean, must be  $> 0$ .

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats] Scale parameter, must be  $> 0$ .

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `mean` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(mean, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Wald distribution.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.wald`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function for the Wald distribution is

$$P(x; \text{mean}, \text{scale}) = \sqrt{\frac{\text{scale}}{2\pi x^3}} e^{-\frac{\text{scale}(x-\text{mean})^2}{2\cdot\text{mean}^2 x}}$$

As noted above the inverse Gaussian distribution first arise from attempts to model Brownian motion. It is also a competitor to the Weibull for use in reliability modeling and modeling stock returns and interest rate processes.

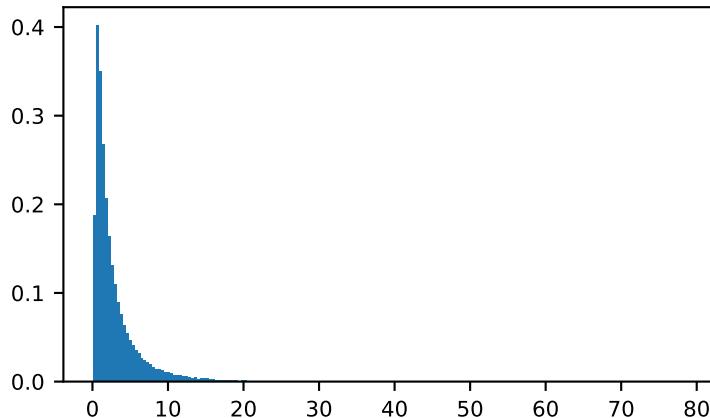
## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> h = plt.hist(np.random.wald(3, 2, 100000), bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



method

`random.RandomState.weibull(a, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Weibull distribution.

Draw samples from a 1-parameter Weibull distribution with the given shape parameter  $a$ .

$$X = (-\ln(U))^{1/a}$$

Here,  $U$  is drawn from the uniform distribution over  $(0,1]$ .

The more common 2-parameter Weibull, including a scale parameter  $\lambda$  is just  $X = \lambda(-\ln(U))^{1/a}$ .

---

**Note:** New code should use the `weibull` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### a

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape parameter of the distribution. Must be nonnegative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `a` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Weibull distribution.

## See also:

[`scipy.stats.weibull\_max`](#)

[`scipy.stats.weibull\_min`](#)

[`scipy.stats.genextreme`](#)

[`gumbel`](#)

[`random.Generator.weibull`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The Weibull (or Type III asymptotic extreme value distribution for smallest values, SEV Type III, or Rosin-Rammler distribution) is one of a class of Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions used in modeling extreme value problems. This class includes the Gumbel and Frechet distributions.

The probability density for the Weibull distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{a}{\lambda} \left(\frac{x}{\lambda}\right)^{a-1} e^{-(x/\lambda)^a},$$

where  $a$  is the shape and  $\lambda$  the scale.

The function has its peak (the mode) at  $\lambda(\frac{a-1}{a})^{1/a}$ .

When  $a = 1$ , the Weibull distribution reduces to the exponential distribution.

## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

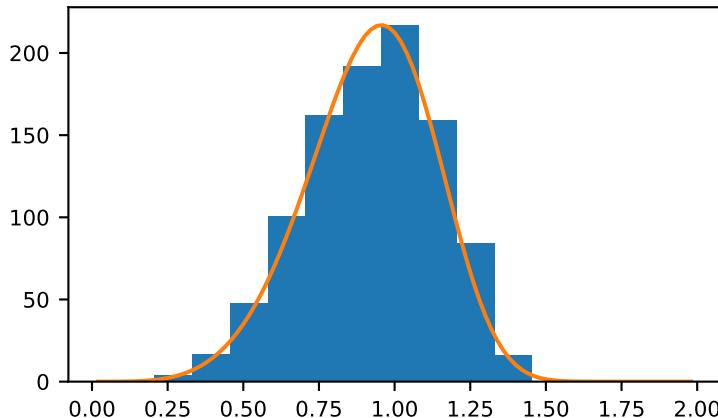
Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = 5. # shape
>>> s = np.random.weibull(a, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x = np.arange(1,100.)/50.
>>> def weib(x,n,a):
...     return (a / n) * (x / n)**(a - 1) * np.exp(-(x / n)**a)
```

```
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(np.random.weibull(5.,1000))
>>> x = np.arange(1,100.)/50.
>>> scale = count.max()/weib(x, 1., 5.).max()
>>> plt.plot(x, weib(x, 1., 5.)*scale)
>>> plt.show()
```



### method

`random.RandomState.zipf(a, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Zipf distribution.

Samples are drawn from a Zipf distribution with specified parameter  $a > 1$ .

The Zipf distribution (also known as the zeta distribution) is a discrete probability distribution that satisfies Zipf's law: the frequency of an item is inversely proportional to its rank in a frequency table.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `zipf` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### a

[float or array\_like of floats] Distribution parameter. Must be greater than 1.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `a` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Zipf distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.zipf`

probability density function, distribution, or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.zipf`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Zipf distribution is

$$p(k) = \frac{k^{-a}}{\zeta(a)},$$

for integers  $k \geq 1$ , where  $\zeta$  is the Riemann Zeta function.

It is named for the American linguist George Kingsley Zipf, who noted that the frequency of any word in a sample of a language is inversely proportional to its rank in the frequency table.

## References

[1]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = 4.0
>>> n = 20000
>>> s = np.random.zipf(a, n)
```

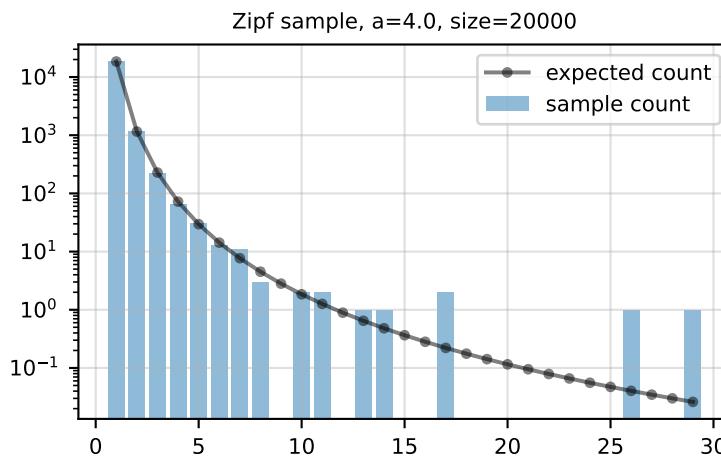
Display the histogram of the samples, along with the expected histogram based on the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from scipy.special import zeta
```

`bincount` provides a fast histogram for small integers.

```
>>> count = np.bincount(s)
>>> k = np.arange(1, s.max() + 1)
```

```
>>> plt.bar(k, count[1:], alpha=0.5, label='sample count')
>>> plt.plot(k, n*(k**-a)/zeta(a), 'k.-', alpha=0.5,
...            label='expected count')
>>> plt.semilogy()
>>> plt.grid(alpha=0.4)
>>> plt.legend()
>>> plt.title(f'Zipf sample, a={a}, size={n}')
>>> plt.show()
```



## Functions in `numpy.random`

Many of the RandomState methods above are exported as functions in `numpy.random`. This usage is discouraged, as it is implemented via a global `RandomState` instance which is not advised on two counts:

- It uses global state, which means results will change as the code changes
- It uses a `RandomState` rather than the more modern `Generator`.

For backward compatible legacy reasons, we cannot change this. See [Quick Start](#).

<code>beta(a, b[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Beta distribution.
<code>binomial(n, p[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a binomial distribution.
<code>bytes(length)</code>	Return random bytes.
<code>chisquare(df[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a chi-square distribution.
<code>choice(a[, size, replace, p])</code>	Generates a random sample from a given 1-D array
<code>dirichlet(alpha[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the Dirichlet distribution.
<code>exponential([scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from an exponential distribution.
<code>f(dfnum, dfden[, size])</code>	Draw samples from an F distribution.
<code>gamma(shape[, scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Gamma distribution.
<code>geometric(p[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the geometric distribution.
<code>get_state()</code>	Return a tuple representing the internal state of the generator.
<code>gumbel([loc, scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution.
<code>hypergeometric/ngood, nbad, nsample[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Hypergeometric distribution.
<code>laplace([loc, scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from the Laplace or double exponential distribution with specified location (or mean) and scale (decay).
<code>logistic([loc, scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a logistic distribution.
<code>lognormal([mean, sigma, size])</code>	Draw samples from a log-normal distribution.
<code>logseries(p[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a logarithmic series distribution.
<code>multinomial(n, pvals[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a multinomial distribution.
<code>multivariate_normal(mean, cov[, size, ...])</code>	Draw random samples from a multivariate normal distribution.
<code>negative_binomial(n, p[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a negative binomial distribution.
<code>noncentral_chisquare(df, nonc[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a noncentral chi-square distribution.
<code>noncentral_f(dfnum, dfden, nonc[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the noncentral F distribution.
<code>normal([loc, scale, size])</code>	Draw random samples from a normal (Gaussian) distribution.
<code>pareto(a[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Pareto II or Lomax distribution with specified shape.
<code>permutation(x)</code>	Randomly permute a sequence, or return a permuted range.
<code>poisson([lam, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Poisson distribution.
<code>power(a[, size])</code>	Draws samples in [0, 1] from a power distribution with positive exponent a - 1.
<code>rand(d0, d1, ..., dn)</code>	Random values in a given shape.
<code>randint(low[, high, size, dtype])</code>	Return random integers from <code>low</code> (inclusive) to <code>high</code> (exclusive).
<code>randn(d0, d1, ..., dn)</code>	Return a sample (or samples) from the "standard normal" distribution.
<code>random([size])</code>	Return random floats in the half-open interval [0.0, 1.0).
<code>random_integers(low[, high, size])</code>	Random integers of type <code>np.int_</code> between <code>low</code> and <code>high</code> , inclusive.

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<code>random_sample([size])</code>	Return random floats in the half-open interval [0.0, 1.0).
<code>ranf</code>	This is an alias of <code>random_sample</code> .
<code>rayleigh([scale, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Rayleigh distribution.
<code>sample</code>	This is an alias of <code>random_sample</code> .
<code>seed(self[, seed])</code>	Reseed a legacy MT19937 BitGenerator
<code>set_state(state)</code>	Set the internal state of the generator from a tuple.
<code>shuffle(x)</code>	Modify a sequence in-place by shuffling its contents.
<code>standard_cauchy([size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Cauchy distribution with mode = 0.
<code>standard_exponential([size])</code>	Draw samples from the standard exponential distribution.
<code>standard_gamma(shape[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Gamma distribution.
<code>standard_normal([size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Normal distribution (mean=0, stdev=1).
<code>standard_t(df[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a standard Student's t distribution with $df$ degrees of freedom.
<code>triangular(left, mode, right[, size])</code>	Draw samples from the triangular distribution over the interval <code>[left, right]</code> .
<code>uniform([low, high, size])</code>	Draw samples from a uniform distribution.
<code>vonmises(mu, kappa[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a von Mises distribution.
<code>wald(mean, scale[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Wald, or inverse Gaussian, distribution.
<code>weibull(a[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Weibull distribution.
<code>zipf(a[, size])</code>	Draw samples from a Zipf distribution.

`random.betav(a, b, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Beta distribution.

The Beta distribution is a special case of the Dirichlet distribution, and is related to the Gamma distribution. It has the probability distribution function

$$f(x; a, b) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1},$$

where the normalization, B, is the beta function,

$$B(\alpha, \beta) = \int_0^1 t^{\alpha-1} (1-t)^{\beta-1} dt.$$

It is often seen in Bayesian inference and order statistics.

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**Note:** New code should use the `beta` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

**a**

[float or array\_like of floats] Alpha, positive (>0).

**b**

[float or array\_like of floats] Beta, positive (>0).

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `a` and `b` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(a, b).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized beta distribution.

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.beta`](#)

which should be used for new code.

`random.binomial(n, p, size=None)`

Draw samples from a binomial distribution.

Samples are drawn from a binomial distribution with specified parameters, `n` trials and `p` probability of success where `n` an integer  $\geq 0$  and `p` is in the interval [0,1]. (`n` may be input as a float, but it is truncated to an integer in use)

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**Note:** New code should use the `binomial` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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**Parameters****n**

[int or array\_like of ints] Parameter of the distribution,  $\geq 0$ . Floats are also accepted, but they will be truncated to integers.

**p**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution,  $\geq 0$  and  $\leq 1$ .

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `n` and `p` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(n, p).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized binomial distribution, where each sample is equal to the number of successes over the `n` trials.

**See also:**

[`scipy.stats.binom`](#)

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**`random.Generator.binomial`**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the binomial distribution is

$$P(N) = \binom{n}{N} p^N (1-p)^{n-N},$$

where  $n$  is the number of trials,  $p$  is the probability of success, and  $N$  is the number of successes.

When estimating the standard error of a proportion in a population by using a random sample, the normal distribution works well unless the product  $p*n <= 5$ , where  $p$  = population proportion estimate, and  $n$  = number of samples, in which case the binomial distribution is used instead. For example, a sample of 15 people shows 4 who are left handed, and 11 who are right handed. Then  $p = 4/15 = 27\%.$   $0.27*15 = 4$ , so the binomial distribution should be used in this case.

**References**

[1], [2], [3], [4], [5]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> n, p = 10, .5 # number of trials, probability of each trial
>>> s = np.random.binomial(n, p, 1000)
# result of flipping a coin 10 times, tested 1000 times.
```

A real world example. A company drills 9 wild-cat oil exploration wells, each with an estimated probability of success of 0.1. All nine wells fail. What is the probability of that happening?

Let's do 20,000 trials of the model, and count the number that generate zero positive results.

```
>>> sum(np.random.binomial(9, 0.1, 20000) == 0)/20000.
# answer = 0.38885, or 38%.
```

**`random.bytes (length)`**

Return random bytes.

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**Note:** New code should use the `bytes` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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**Parameters****length**

[int] Number of random bytes.

**Returns**

**out**

[bytes] String of length *length*.

**See also:**

[\*random.Generator.bytes\*](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.bytes(10)
b' eh\x85\x022SZ\xbf\x a4' #random
```

`random.chisquare(df, size=None)`

Draw samples from a chi-square distribution.

When *df* independent random variables, each with standard normal distributions (mean 0, variance 1), are squared and summed, the resulting distribution is chi-square (see Notes). This distribution is often used in hypothesis testing.

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**Note:** New code should use the `chisquare` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [\*Quick Start\*](#).

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## Parameters

**df**

[float or array\_like of floats] Number of degrees of freedom, must be > 0.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if df is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(df).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized chi-square distribution.

## Raises

**ValueError**

When *df* <= 0 or when an inappropriate size (e.g. `size=-1`) is given.

**See also:**

[\*random.Generator.chisquare\*](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The variable obtained by summing the squares of  $df$  independent, standard normally distributed random variables:

$$Q = \sum_{i=0}^{df} X_i^2$$

is chi-square distributed, denoted

$$Q \sim \chi_k^2.$$

The probability density function of the chi-squared distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{(1/2)^{k/2}}{\Gamma(k/2)} x^{k/2-1} e^{-x/2},$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the gamma function,

$$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{-\infty} t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt.$$

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.chisquare(2, 4)
array([ 1.89920014,  9.00867716,  3.13710533,  5.62318272]) # random
```

`random.choice(a, size=None, replace=True, p=None)`

Generates a random sample from a given 1-D array

New in version 1.7.0.

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**Note:** New code should use the `choice` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### a

[1-D array-like or int] If an ndarray, a random sample is generated from its elements. If an int, the random sample is generated as if it were `np.arange(a)`

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

### replace

[boolean, optional] Whether the sample is with or without replacement. Default is True, meaning that a value of `a` can be selected multiple times.

**p**

[1-D array-like, optional] The probabilities associated with each entry in a. If not given, the sample assumes a uniform distribution over all entries in a.

**Returns****samples**

[single item or ndarray] The generated random samples

**Raises****ValueError**

If a is an int and less than zero, if a or p are not 1-dimensional, if a is an array-like of size 0, if p is not a vector of probabilities, if a and p have different lengths, or if replace=False and the sample size is greater than the population size

**See also:**

[randint](#), [shuffle](#), [permutation](#)

[random.Generator.choice](#)

which should be used in new code

**Notes**

Setting user-specified probabilities through p uses a more general but less efficient sampler than the default. The general sampler produces a different sample than the optimized sampler even if each element of p is  $1 / \text{len}(a)$ .

Sampling random rows from a 2-D array is not possible with this function, but is possible with [Generator.choice](#) through its axis keyword.

**Examples**

Generate a uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3:

```
>>> np.random.choice(5, 3)
array([0, 3, 4]) # random
>>> #This is equivalent to np.random.randint(0,5,3)
```

Generate a non-uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3:

```
>>> np.random.choice(5, 3, p=[0.1, 0, 0.3, 0.6, 0])
array([3, 3, 0]) # random
```

Generate a uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3 without replacement:

```
>>> np.random.choice(5, 3, replace=False)
array([3, 1, 0]) # random
>>> #This is equivalent to np.random.permutation(np.arange(5))[:3]
```

Generate a non-uniform random sample from np.arange(5) of size 3 without replacement:

```
>>> np.random.choice(5, 3, replace=False, p=[0.1, 0, 0.3, 0.6, 0])
array([2, 3, 0]) # random
```

Any of the above can be repeated with an arbitrary array-like instead of just integers. For instance:

```
>>> aa_milne_arr = ['pooh', 'rabbit', 'piglet', 'Christopher']
>>> np.random.choice(aa_milne_arr, 5, p=[0.5, 0.1, 0.1, 0.3])
array(['pooh', 'pooh', 'pooh', 'Christopher', 'piglet'], # random
      dtype='<U11')
```

### `random.dirichlet(alpha, size=None)`

Draw samples from the Dirichlet distribution.

Draw `size` samples of dimension `k` from a Dirichlet distribution. A Dirichlet-distributed random variable can be seen as a multivariate generalization of a Beta distribution. The Dirichlet distribution is a conjugate prior of a multinomial distribution in Bayesian inference.

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**Note:** New code should use the `dirichlet` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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### Parameters

#### `alpha`

[sequence of floats, length `k`] Parameter of the distribution (length `k` for sample of length `k`).

#### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n)`, then `m * n` \* `k` samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a vector of length `k` is returned.

### Returns

#### `samples`

[ndarray,] The drawn samples, of shape `(size, k)`.

### Raises

#### `ValueError`

If any value in `alpha` is less than or equal to zero

### See also:

#### `random.Generator.dirichlet`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The Dirichlet distribution is a distribution over vectors  $x$  that fulfil the conditions  $x_i > 0$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^k x_i = 1$ .

The probability density function  $p$  of a Dirichlet-distributed random vector  $X$  is proportional to

$$p(x) \propto \prod_{i=1}^k x_i^{\alpha_i - 1},$$

where  $\alpha$  is a vector containing the positive concentration parameters.

The method uses the following property for computation: let  $Y$  be a random vector which has components that follow a standard gamma distribution, then  $X = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^k Y_i} Y$  is Dirichlet-distributed

## References

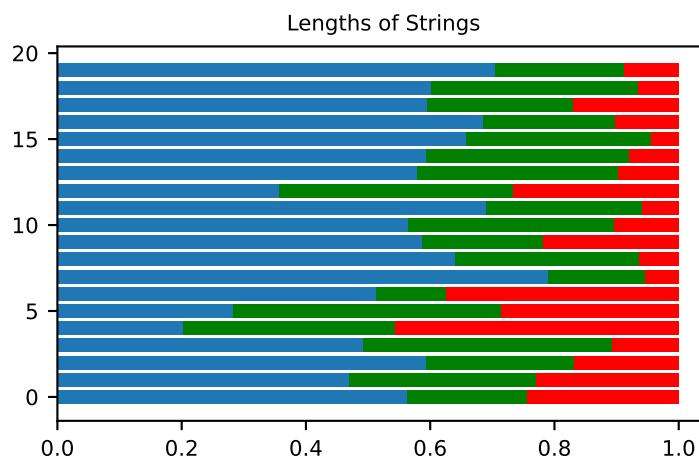
[1], [2]

## Examples

Taking an example cited in Wikipedia, this distribution can be used if one wanted to cut strings (each of initial length 1.0) into K pieces with different lengths, where each piece had, on average, a designated average length, but allowing some variation in the relative sizes of the pieces.

```
>>> s = np.random.dirichlet((10, 5, 3), 20).transpose()
```

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[0])
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[1], left=s[0], color='g')
>>> plt.bart(range(20), s[2], left=s[0]+s[1], color='r')
>>> plt.title("Lengths of Strings")
```



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`random.exponential (scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from an exponential distribution.

Its probability density function is

$$f(x; \frac{1}{\beta}) = \frac{1}{\beta} \exp(-\frac{x}{\beta}),$$

for  $x > 0$  and 0 elsewhere.  $\beta$  is the scale parameter, which is the inverse of the rate parameter  $\lambda = 1/\beta$ . The rate parameter is an alternative, widely used parameterization of the exponential distribution [3].

The exponential distribution is a continuous analogue of the geometric distribution. It describes many common situations, such as the size of raindrops measured over many rainstorms [1], or the time between page requests to Wikipedia [2].

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**Note:** New code should use the `exponential` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats] The scale parameter,  $\beta = 1/\lambda$ . Must be non-negative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `scale` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized exponential distribution.

## See also:

`random.Generator.exponential`

which should be used for new code.

## References

[1], [2], [3]

`random.f (dfnum, dfden, size=None)`

Draw samples from an F distribution.

Samples are drawn from an F distribution with specified parameters, `dfnum` (degrees of freedom in numerator) and `dfden` (degrees of freedom in denominator), where both parameters must be greater than zero.

The random variate of the F distribution (also known as the Fisher distribution) is a continuous probability distribution that arises in ANOVA tests, and is the ratio of two chi-square variates.

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**Note:** New code should use the `f` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `dfnum`

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom in numerator, must be  $> 0$ .

### `dfden`

[float or array\_like of float] Degrees of freedom in denominator, must be  $> 0$ .

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `dfnum` and `dfden` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(dfnum, dfden).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Fisher distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.f`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.f`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The F statistic is used to compare in-group variances to between-group variances. Calculating the distribution depends on the sampling, and so it is a function of the respective degrees of freedom in the problem. The variable `dfnum` is the number of samples minus one, the between-groups degrees of freedom, while `dfden` is the within-groups degrees of freedom, the sum of the number of samples in each group minus the number of groups.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

An example from Glantz[1], pp 47-40:

Two groups, children of diabetics (25 people) and children from people without diabetes (25 controls). Fasting blood glucose was measured, case group had a mean value of 86.1, controls had a mean value of 82.2. Standard deviations were 2.09 and 2.49 respectively. Are these data consistent with the null hypothesis that the parents diabetic status does not affect their children's blood glucose levels? Calculating the F statistic from the data gives a value of 36.01.

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> dfnum = 1. # between group degrees of freedom
>>> dfden = 48. # within groups degrees of freedom
>>> s = np.random.f(dfnum, dfden, 1000)
```

The lower bound for the top 1% of the samples is :

```
>>> np.sort(s)[-10]
7.61988120985 # random
```

So there is about a 1% chance that the F statistic will exceed 7.62, the measured value is 36, so the null hypothesis is rejected at the 1% level.

`random.gamma(shape, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Gamma distribution.

Samples are drawn from a Gamma distribution with specified parameters, `shape` (sometimes designated “k”) and `scale` (sometimes designated “theta”), where both parameters are  $> 0$ .

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**Note:** New code should use the `gamma` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### shape

[float or array\_like of floats] The shape of the gamma distribution. Must be non-negative.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The scale of the gamma distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is equal to 1.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `shape` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(shape, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized gamma distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.gamma`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.gamma`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Gamma distribution is

$$p(x) = x^{k-1} \frac{e^{-x/\theta}}{\theta^k \Gamma(k)},$$

where  $k$  is the shape and  $\theta$  the scale, and  $\Gamma$  is the Gamma function.

The Gamma distribution is often used to model the times to failure of electronic components, and arises naturally in processes for which the waiting times between Poisson distributed events are relevant.

## References

[1], [2]

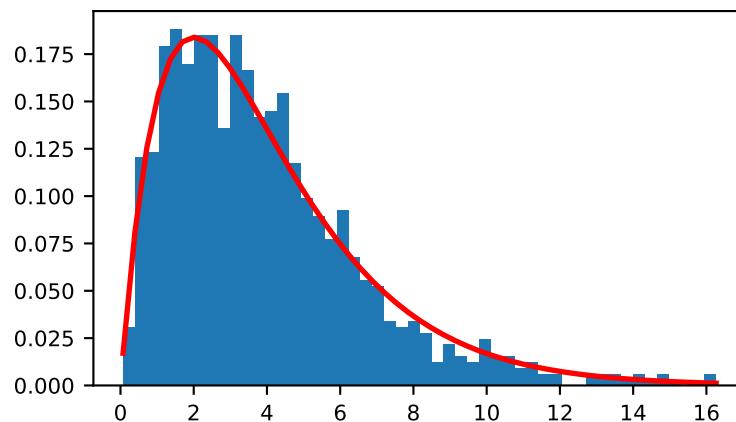
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> shape, scale = 2., 2. # mean=4, std=2*sqrt(2)
>>> s = np.random.gamma(shape, scale, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> import scipy.special as sps
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> y = bins***(shape-1)*(np.exp(-bins/scale) /
...                         (sps.gamma(shape)*scale**shape))
>>> plt.plot(bins, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



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`random.geometric(p, size=None)`

Draw samples from the geometric distribution.

Bernoulli trials are experiments with one of two outcomes: success or failure (an example of such an experiment is flipping a coin). The geometric distribution models the number of trials that must be run in order to achieve success. It is therefore supported on the positive integers,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ .

The probability mass function of the geometric distribution is

$$f(k) = (1 - p)^{k-1} p$$

where  $p$  is the probability of success of an individual trial.

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**Note:** New code should use the `geometric` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

**p**

[float or array\_like of floats] The probability of success of an individual trial.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `p` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(p).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized geometric distribution.

## See also:

`random.Generator.geometric`

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

Draw ten thousand values from the geometric distribution, with the probability of an individual success equal to 0.35:

```
>>> z = np.random.geometric(p=0.35, size=10000)
```

How many trials succeeded after a single run?

```
>>> (z == 1).sum() / 10000.
0.3488999999999999 #random
```

`random.get_state()`

Return a tuple representing the internal state of the generator.

For more details, see `set_state`.

## Parameters

### legacy

[bool, optional] Flag indicating to return a legacy tuple state when the BitGenerator is MT19937, instead of a dict.

## Returns

### out

[{tuple(str, ndarray of 624 uints, int, int, float), dict}] The returned tuple has the following items:

1. the string ‘MT19937’.
2. a 1-D array of 624 unsigned integer keys.
3. an integer pos.
4. an integer has\_gauss.
5. a float cached\_gaussian.

If *legacy* is False, or the BitGenerator is not MT19937, then state is returned as a dictionary.

## See also:

### `set_state`

## Notes

`set_state` and `get_state` are not needed to work with any of the random distributions in NumPy. If the internal state is manually altered, the user should know exactly what he/she is doing.

`random.gumbel(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution.

Draw samples from a Gumbel distribution with specified location and scale. For more information on the Gumbel distribution, see Notes and References below.

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**Note:** New code should use the `gumbel` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### loc

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The location of the mode of the distribution. Default is 0.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The scale parameter of the distribution. Default is 1. Must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `loc` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Gumbel distribution.

**See also:**

[scipy.stats.gumbel\\_l](#)  
[scipy.stats.gumbel\\_r](#)  
[scipy.stats.genextreme](#)  
[weibull](#)  
[random.Generator.gumbel](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The Gumbel (or Smallest Extreme Value (SEV) or the Smallest Extreme Value Type I) distribution is one of a class of Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions used in modeling extreme value problems. The Gumbel is a special case of the Extreme Value Type I distribution for maximums from distributions with “exponential-like” tails.

The probability density for the Gumbel distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{e^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}}{\beta} e^{-e^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mode, a location parameter, and  $\beta$  is the scale parameter.

The Gumbel (named for German mathematician Emil Julius Gumbel) was used very early in the hydrology literature, for modeling the occurrence of flood events. It is also used for modeling maximum wind speed and rainfall rates. It is a “fat-tailed” distribution - the probability of an event in the tail of the distribution is larger than if one used a Gaussian, hence the surprisingly frequent occurrence of 100-year floods. Floods were initially modeled as a Gaussian process, which underestimated the frequency of extreme events.

It is one of a class of extreme value distributions, the Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions, which also includes the Weibull and Frechet.

The function has a mean of  $\mu + 0.57721\beta$  and a variance of  $\frac{\pi^2}{6}\beta^2$ .

## References

[1], [2]

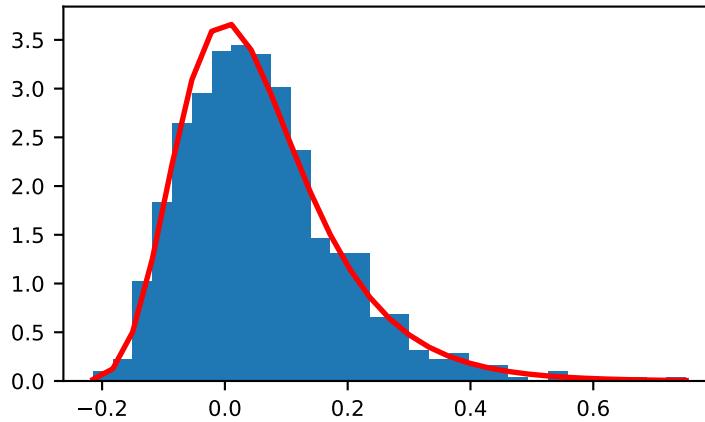
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, beta = 0, 0.1 # location and scale
>>> s = np.random.gumbel(mu, beta, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, (1/beta)*np.exp(-(bins - mu)/beta),
...           * np.exp(-np.exp(-(bins - mu) /beta)),
...           linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



Show how an extreme value distribution can arise from a Gaussian process and compare to a Gaussian:

```
>>> means = []
>>> maxima = []
>>> for i in range(0,1000) :
...     a = np.random.normal(mu, beta, 1000)
...     means.append(a.mean())
...     maxima.append(a.max())
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(maxima, 30, density=True)
>>> beta = np.std(maxima) * np.sqrt(6) / np.pi
>>> mu = np.mean(maxima) - 0.57721*beta
>>> plt.plot(bins, (1/beta)*np.exp(-(bins - mu)/beta),
...           * np.exp(-np.exp(-(bins - mu) /beta)),
...           linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.plot(bins, 1/(beta * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)))
```

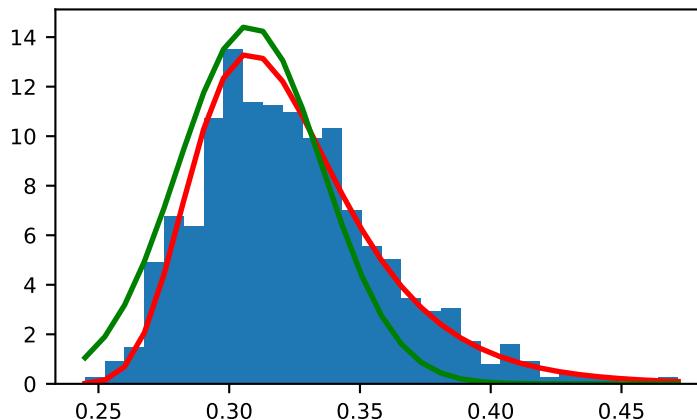
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...
    * np.exp(-(bins - mu)**2 / (2 * beta**2)),
...
>>> plt.show()

```



`random.hypergeometric (ngood, nbad, nsample, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Hypergeometric distribution.

Samples are drawn from a hypergeometric distribution with specified parameters, `ngood` (ways to make a good selection), `nbad` (ways to make a bad selection), and `nsample` (number of items sampled, which is less than or equal to the sum `ngood + nbad`).

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**Note:** New code should use the `hypergeometric` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the *Quick Start*.

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## Parameters

### `ngood`

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of ways to make a good selection. Must be nonnegative.

### `nbad`

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of ways to make a bad selection. Must be nonnegative.

### `nsample`

[int or array\_like of ints] Number of items sampled. Must be at least 1 and at most `ngood + nbad`.

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then `m * n * k` samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `ngood, nbad`, and `nsample` are all scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(ngood, nbad, nsample).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized hypergeometric distribution. Each sample is the number of good items within a randomly selected subset of size *nsample* taken from a set of *ngood* good items and *nbad* bad items.

**See also:****`scipy.stats.hypergeom`**

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**`random.Generator.hypergeometric`**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Hypergeometric distribution is

$$P(x) = \frac{\binom{g}{x} \binom{b}{n-x}}{\binom{g+b}{n}},$$

where  $0 \leq x \leq n$  and  $n - b \leq x \leq g$

for  $P(x)$  the probability of  $x$  good results in the drawn sample,  $g = n_{good}$ ,  $b = n_{bad}$ , and  $n = n_{sample}$ .

Consider an urn with black and white marbles in it, *n<sub>good</sub>* of them are black and *n<sub>bad</sub>* are white. If you draw *n<sub>sample</sub>* balls without replacement, then the hypergeometric distribution describes the distribution of black balls in the drawn sample.

Note that this distribution is very similar to the binomial distribution, except that in this case, samples are drawn without replacement, whereas in the Binomial case samples are drawn with replacement (or the sample space is infinite). As the sample space becomes large, this distribution approaches the binomial.

**References**

[1], [2], [3]

**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> ngood, nbad, nsamp = 100, 2, 10
# number of good, number of bad, and number of samples
>>> s = np.random.hypergeometric(ngood, nbad, nsamp, 1000)
>>> from matplotlib.pyplot import hist
>>> hist(s)
# note that it is very unlikely to grab both bad items
```

Suppose you have an urn with 15 white and 15 black marbles. If you pull 15 marbles at random, how likely is it that 12 or more of them are one color?

```
>>> s = np.random.hypergeometric(15, 15, 15, 100000)
>>> sum(s>=12)/100000. + sum(s<=3)/100000.
#   answer = 0.003 ... pretty unlikely!
```

`random.laplace(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from the Laplace or double exponential distribution with specified location (or mean) and scale (decay).

The Laplace distribution is similar to the Gaussian/normal distribution, but is sharper at the peak and has fatter tails. It represents the difference between two independent, identically distributed exponential random variables.

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**Note:** New code should use the `laplace` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### loc

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] The position,  $\mu$ , of the distribution peak. Default is 0.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional]  $\lambda$ , the exponential decay. Default is 1. Must be non-negative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `loc` and `scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Laplace distribution.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.laplace`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

It has the probability density function

$$f(x; \mu, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \exp\left(-\frac{|x - \mu|}{\lambda}\right).$$

The first law of Laplace, from 1774, states that the frequency of an error can be expressed as an exponential function of the absolute magnitude of the error, which leads to the Laplace distribution. For many problems in economics and health sciences, this distribution seems to model the data better than the standard Gaussian distribution.

## References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#), [\[3\]](#), [\[4\]](#)

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution

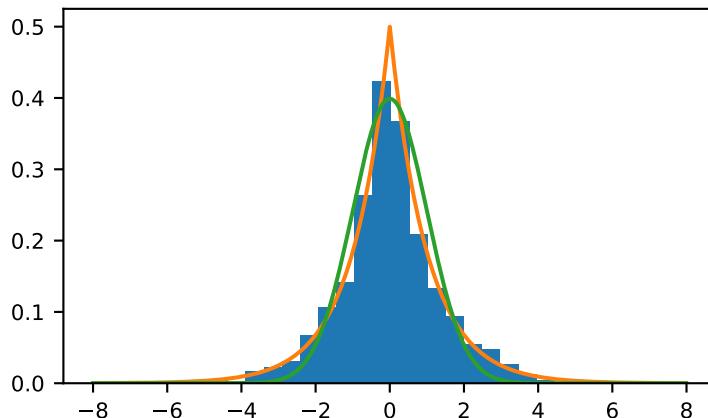
```
>>> loc, scale = 0., 1.
>>> s = np.random.laplace(loc, scale, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> x = np.arange(-8., 8., .01)
>>> pdf = np.exp(-abs(x-loc)/scale)/(2.*scale)
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf)
```

Plot Gaussian for comparison:

```
>>> g = (1/(scale * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)) *
...       np.exp(-(x - loc)**2 / (2 * scale**2)))
>>> plt.plot(x,g)
```



`random.logistic(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a logistic distribution.

Samples are drawn from a logistic distribution with specified parameters, loc (location or mean, also median), and scale (>0).

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**Note:** New code should use the `logistic` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### loc

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Parameter of the distribution. Default is 0.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Parameter of the distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if loc and scale are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(loc, scale).size samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized logistic distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.logistic`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.logistic`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Logistic distribution is

$$P(x) = P(x) = \frac{e^{-(x-\mu)/s}}{s(1+e^{-(x-\mu)/s})^2},$$

where  $\mu$  = location and  $s$  = scale.

The Logistic distribution is used in Extreme Value problems where it can act as a mixture of Gumbel distributions, in Epidemiology, and by the World Chess Federation (FIDE) where it is used in the Elo ranking system, assuming the performance of each player is a logistically distributed random variable.

## References

[1], [2], [3]

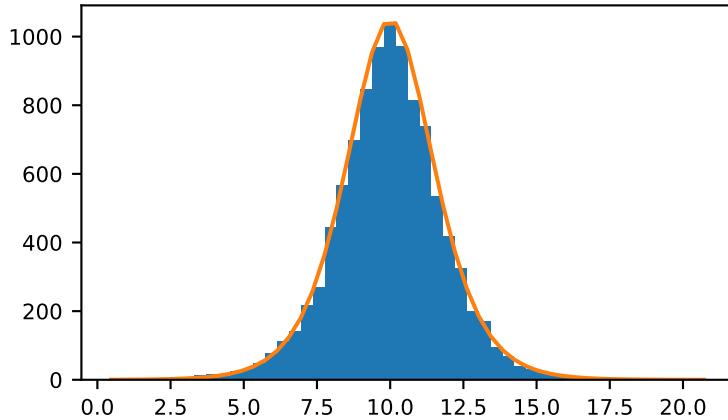
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> loc, scale = 10, 1
>>> s = np.random.logistic(loc, scale, 10000)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, bins=50)
```

# plot against distribution

```
>>> def logist(x, loc, scale):
...     return np.exp((loc-x)/scale)/(scale*(1+np.exp((loc-x)/scale))**2)
>>> lgst_val = logist(bins, loc, scale)
>>> plt.plot(bins, lgst_val * count.max() / lgst_val.max())
>>> plt.show()
```



`random.lognormal (mean=0.0, sigma=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a log-normal distribution.

Draw samples from a log-normal distribution with specified mean, standard deviation, and array shape. Note that the mean and standard deviation are not the values for the distribution itself, but of the underlying normal distribution it is derived from.

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**Note:** New code should use the `lognormal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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### Parameters

#### mean

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Mean value of the underlying normal distribution. Default is 0.

#### sigma

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Standard deviation of the underlying normal distribution. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

#### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if mean and sigma are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(mean, sigma).size samples are drawn.

#### Returns

##### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized log-normal distribution.

**See also:**

[scipy.stats.lognorm](#)

probability density function, distribution, cumulative density function, etc.

[random.Generator.lognormal](#)

which should be used for new code.

#### Notes

A variable  $x$  has a log-normal distribution if  $\log(x)$  is normally distributed. The probability density function for the log-normal distribution is:

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma x \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{(-\frac{(\ln(x)-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})}$$

where  $\mu$  is the mean and  $\sigma$  is the standard deviation of the normally distributed logarithm of the variable. A log-normal distribution results if a random variable is the *product* of a large number of independent, identically-distributed variables in the same way that a normal distribution results if the variable is the *sum* of a large number of independent, identically-distributed variables.

#### References

[1], [2]

#### Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

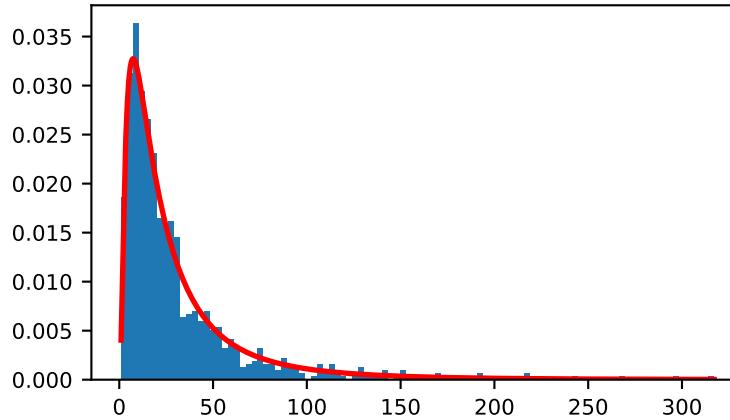
```
>>> mu, sigma = 3., 1. # mean and standard deviation
>>> s = np.random.lognormal(mu, sigma, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 100, density=True, align='mid')
```

```
>>> x = np.linspace(min(bins), max(bins), 10000)
>>> pdf = (np.exp(-(np.log(x) - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2))
...         / (x * sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)))
```

```
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.axis('tight')
>>> plt.show()
```



Demonstrate that taking the products of random samples from a uniform distribution can be fit well by a log-normal probability density function.

```
>>> # Generate a thousand samples: each is the product of 100 random
>>> # values, drawn from a normal distribution.
>>> b = []
>>> for i in range(1000):
...     a = 10. + np.random.standard_normal(100)
...     b.append(np.product(a))
```

```
>>> b = np.array(b) / np.min(b) # scale values to be positive
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(b, 100, density=True, align='mid')
>>> sigma = np.std(np.log(b))
>>> mu = np.mean(np.log(b))
```

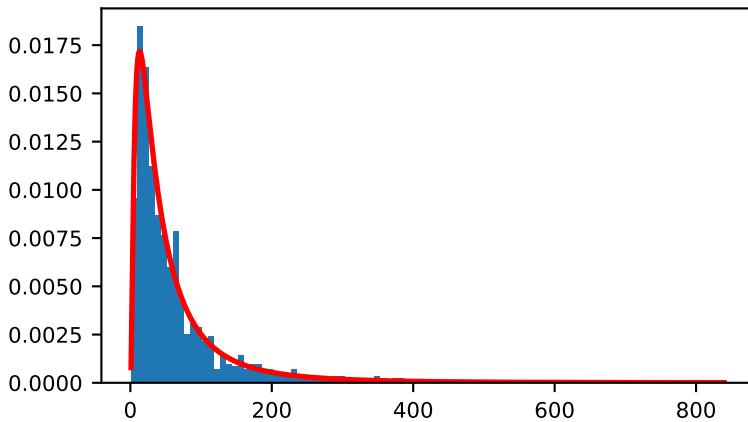
```
>>> x = np.linspace(min(bins), max(bins), 10000)
>>> pdf = (np.exp(-(np.log(x) - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2))
...         / (x * sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)))
```

```
>>> plt.plot(x, pdf, color='r', linewidth=2)
>>> plt.show()
```

`random.logseries(p, size=None)`

Draw samples from a logarithmic series distribution.

Samples are drawn from a log series distribution with specified shape parameter,  $0 < p < 1$ .




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**Note:** New code should use the `logseries` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### p

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape parameter for the distribution. Must be in the range (0, 1).

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `p` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(p).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized logarithmic series distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.logser`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.logseries`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Log Series distribution is

$$P(k) = \frac{-p^k}{k \ln(1-p)},$$

where p = probability.

The log series distribution is frequently used to represent species richness and occurrence, first proposed by Fisher, Corbet, and Williams in 1943 [2]. It may also be used to model the numbers of occupants seen in cars [3].

## References

[1], [2], [3], [4]

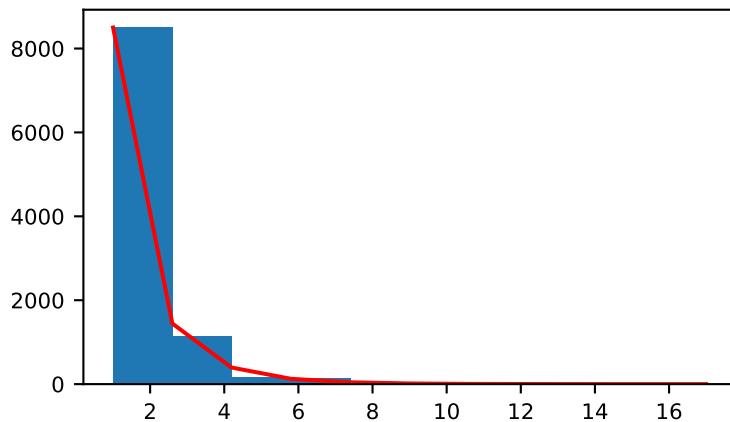
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = .6
>>> s = np.random.logseries(a, 10000)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s)
```

# plot against distribution

```
>>> def logseries(k, p):
...     return -p**k / (k*np.log(1-p))
>>> plt.plot(bins, logseries(bins, a)*count.max() /
...            logseries(bins, a).max(), 'r')
>>> plt.show()
```



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`random.multinomial(n, pvals, size=None)`

Draw samples from a multinomial distribution.

The multinomial distribution is a multivariate generalization of the binomial distribution. Take an experiment with one of  $p$  possible outcomes. An example of such an experiment is throwing a dice, where the outcome can be 1 through 6. Each sample drawn from the distribution represents  $n$  such experiments. Its values,  $X_i = [X_0, X_1, \dots, X_p]$ , represent the number of times the outcome was  $i$ .

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**Note:** New code should use the `multinomial` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `n`

[int] Number of experiments.

### `pvals`

[sequence of floats, length  $p$ ] Probabilities of each of the  $p$  different outcomes. These must sum to 1 (however, the last element is always assumed to account for the remaining probability, as long as `sum(pvals[:-1]) <= 1`).

### `size`

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

## Returns

### `out`

[ndarray] The drawn samples, of shape `size`, if that was provided. If not, the shape is `(N,)`.

In other words, each entry `out[i, j, ..., :]` is an  $N$ -dimensional value drawn from the distribution.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.multinomial`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

Throw a dice 20 times:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(20, [1/6.]**6, size=1)
array([[4, 1, 7, 5, 2, 1]]) # random
```

It landed 4 times on 1, once on 2, etc.

Now, throw the dice 20 times, and 20 times again:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(20, [1/6.]**6, size=2)
array([[3, 4, 3, 3, 4, 3], # random
       [2, 4, 3, 4, 0, 7]])
```

For the first run, we threw 3 times 1, 4 times 2, etc. For the second, we threw 2 times 1, 4 times 2, etc.

A loaded die is more likely to land on number 6:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(100, [1/7.] * 5 + [2/7.])
array([11, 16, 14, 17, 16, 26]) # random
```

The probability inputs should be normalized. As an implementation detail, the value of the last entry is ignored and assumed to take up any leftover probability mass, but this should not be relied on. A biased coin which has twice as much weight on one side as on the other should be sampled like so:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(100, [1.0 / 3, 2.0 / 3]) # RIGHT
array([38, 62]) # random
```

not like:

```
>>> np.random.multinomial(100, [1.0, 2.0]) # WRONG
Traceback (most recent call last):
ValueError: pvals < 0, pvals > 1 or pvals contains NaNs
```

`random.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, size=None, check_valid='warn', tol=1e-8)`

Draw random samples from a multivariate normal distribution.

The multivariate normal, multinormal or Gaussian distribution is a generalization of the one-dimensional normal distribution to higher dimensions. Such a distribution is specified by its mean and covariance matrix. These parameters are analogous to the mean (average or “center”) and variance (standard deviation, or “width,” squared) of the one-dimensional normal distribution.

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**Note:** New code should use the `multivariate_normal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### mean

[1-D array\_like, of length N] Mean of the N-dimensional distribution.

### cov

[2-D array\_like, of shape (N, N)] Covariance matrix of the distribution. It must be symmetric and positive-semidefinite for proper sampling.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Given a shape of, for example,  $(m, n, k)$ ,  $m \times n \times k$  samples are generated, and packed in an  $m$ -by- $n$ -by- $k$  arrangement. Because each sample is  $N$ -dimensional, the output shape is  $(m, n, k, N)$ . If no shape is specified, a single ( $N$ -D) sample is returned.

### check\_valid

[{‘warn’, ‘raise’, ‘ignore’}, optional] Behavior when the covariance matrix is not positive semidefinite.

### tol

[float, optional] Tolerance when checking the singular values in covariance matrix. `cov` is cast to double before the check.

## Returns

**out**

[ndarray] The drawn samples, of shape *size*, if that was provided. If not, the shape is  $(N, )$ .

In other words, each entry `out[i, j, ..., :]` is an N-dimensional value drawn from the distribution.

**See also:**

`random.Generator.multivariate_normal`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The mean is a coordinate in N-dimensional space, which represents the location where samples are most likely to be generated. This is analogous to the peak of the bell curve for the one-dimensional or univariate normal distribution.

Covariance indicates the level to which two variables vary together. From the multivariate normal distribution, we draw N-dimensional samples,  $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots x_N]$ . The covariance matrix element  $C_{ij}$  is the covariance of  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ . The element  $C_{ii}$  is the variance of  $x_i$  (i.e. its “spread”).

Instead of specifying the full covariance matrix, popular approximations include:

- Spherical covariance (`cov` is a multiple of the identity matrix)
- Diagonal covariance (`cov` has non-negative elements, and only on the diagonal)

This geometrical property can be seen in two dimensions by plotting generated data-points:

```
>>> mean = [0, 0]
>>> cov = [[1, 0], [0, 100]] # diagonal covariance
```

Diagonal covariance means that points are oriented along x or y-axis:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x, y = np.random.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, 5000).T
>>> plt.plot(x, y, 'x')
>>> plt.axis('equal')
>>> plt.show()
```

Note that the covariance matrix must be positive semidefinite (a.k.a. nonnegative-definite). Otherwise, the behavior of this method is undefined and backwards compatibility is not guaranteed.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

```
>>> mean = (1, 2)
>>> cov = [[1, 0], [0, 1]]
>>> x = np.random.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, (3, 3))
>>> x.shape
(3, 3, 2)
```

Here we generate 800 samples from the bivariate normal distribution with mean [0, 0] and covariance matrix [[6, -3], [-3, 3.5]]. The expected variances of the first and second components of the sample are 6 and 3.5, respectively, and the expected correlation coefficient is  $-3/\sqrt{6*3.5} \approx -0.65465$ .

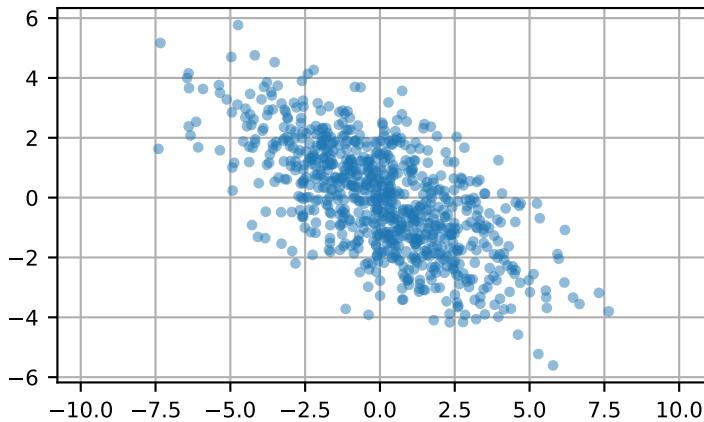
```
>>> cov = np.array([[6, -3], [-3, 3.5]])
>>> pts = np.random.multivariate_normal([0, 0], cov, size=800)
```

Check that the mean, covariance, and correlation coefficient of the sample are close to the expected values:

```
>>> pts.mean(axis=0)
array([ 0.0326911, -0.01280782]) # may vary
>>> np.cov(pts.T)
array([[ 5.96202397, -2.85602287],
       [-2.85602287,  3.47613949]]) # may vary
>>> np.corrcoef(pts.T)[0, 1]
-0.6273591314603949 # may vary
```

We can visualize this data with a scatter plot. The orientation of the point cloud illustrates the negative correlation of the components of this sample.

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.plot(pts[:, 0], pts[:, 1], '.', alpha=0.5)
>>> plt.axis('equal')
>>> plt.grid()
>>> plt.show()
```



`random.negative_binomial(n, p, size=None)`

Draw samples from a negative binomial distribution.

Samples are drawn from a negative binomial distribution with specified parameters,  $n$  successes and  $p$  probability of success where  $n$  is  $> 0$  and  $p$  is in the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

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**Note:** New code should use the `negative_binomial` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### **n**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution,  $> 0$ .

### **p**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution,  $\geq 0$  and  $\leq 1$ .

### **size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `n` and `p` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(n, p).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### **out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized negative binomial distribution, where each sample is equal to  $N$ , the number of failures that occurred before a total of  $n$  successes was reached.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.negative\_binomial`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability mass function of the negative binomial distribution is

$$P(N; n, p) = \frac{\Gamma(N+n)}{N!\Gamma(n)} p^n (1-p)^N,$$

where  $n$  is the number of successes,  $p$  is the probability of success,  $N + n$  is the number of trials, and  $\Gamma$  is the gamma function. When  $n$  is an integer,  $\frac{\Gamma(N+n)}{N!\Gamma(n)} = \binom{N+n-1}{N}$ , which is the more common form of this term in the pmf. The negative binomial distribution gives the probability of  $N$  failures given  $n$  successes, with a success on the last trial.

If one throws a die repeatedly until the third time a “1” appears, then the probability distribution of the number of non-“1”s that appear before the third “1” is a negative binomial distribution.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

A real world example. A company drills wild-cat oil exploration wells, each with an estimated probability of success of 0.1. What is the probability of having one success for each successive well, that is what is the probability of a single success after drilling 5 wells, after 6 wells, etc.?

```
>>> s = np.random.negative_binomial(1, 0.1, 100000)
>>> for i in range(1, 11):
...     probability = sum(s<i) / 100000.
...     print(i, "wells drilled, probability of one success =", probability)
```

`random.noncentral_chisquare(df, nonc, size=None)`

Draw samples from a noncentral chi-square distribution.

The noncentral  $\chi^2$  distribution is a generalization of the  $\chi^2$  distribution.

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**Note:** New code should use the `noncentral_chisquare` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### df

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom, must be  $> 0$ .

Changed in version 1.10.0: Earlier NumPy versions required `dfnum > 1`.

### nonc

[float or array\_like of floats] Non-centrality, must be non-negative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `df` and `nonc` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(df, nonc).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized noncentral chi-square distribution.

## See also:

`random.Generator.noncentral_chisquare`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function for the noncentral Chi-square distribution is

$$P(x; df, nonc) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-nonc/2} (nonc/2)^i}{i!} P_{Y_{df+2i}}(x),$$

where  $Y_q$  is the Chi-square with q degrees of freedom.

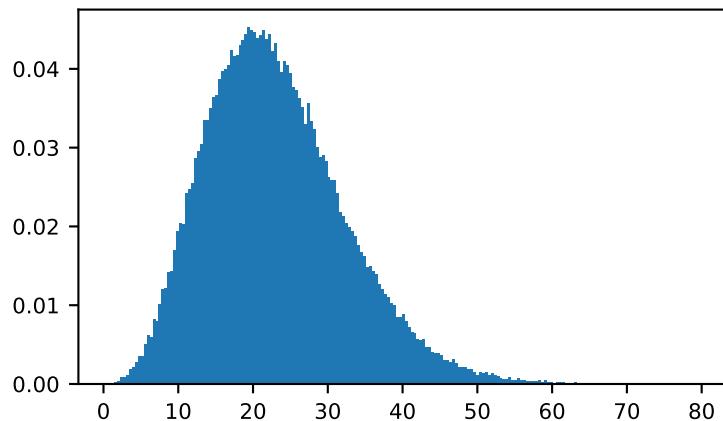
## References

[1]

## Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram

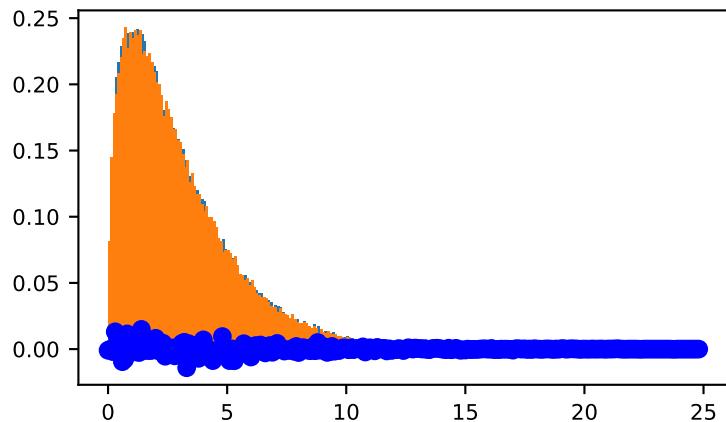
```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> values = plt.hist(np.random.noncentral_chisquare(3, 20, 100000),
...                     bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



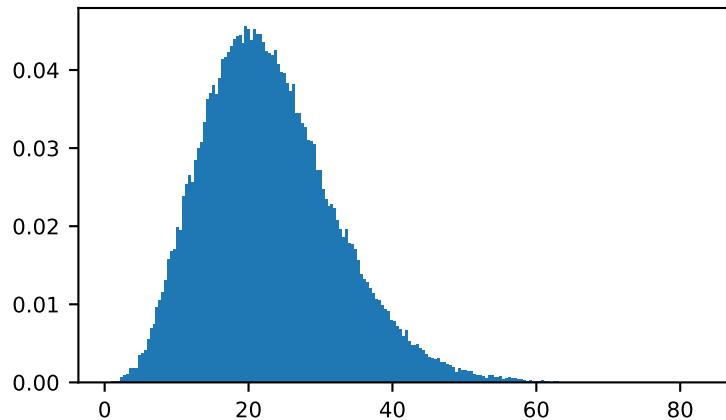
Draw values from a noncentral chisquare with very small noncentrality, and compare to a chisquare.

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> values = plt.hist(np.random.noncentral_chisquare(3, .0000001, 100000),
...                     bins=np.arange(0., 25, .1), density=True)
>>> values2 = plt.hist(np.random.chisquare(3, 100000),
...                     bins=np.arange(0., 25, .1), density=True)
>>> plt.plot(values[1][0:-1], values[0]-values2[0], 'ob')
>>> plt.show()
```

Demonstrate how large values of non-centrality lead to a more symmetric distribution.



```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> values = plt.hist(np.random.noncentral_chisquare(3, 20, 100000),
...                   bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



`random.noncentral_f (dfnum, dfden, nonc, size=None)`

Draw samples from the noncentral F distribution.

Samples are drawn from an F distribution with specified parameters, `dfnum` (degrees of freedom in numerator) and `dfden` (degrees of freedom in denominator), where both parameters > 1. `nonc` is the non-centrality parameter.

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**Note:** New code should use the `noncentral_f` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### **dfnum**

[float or array\_like of floats] Numerator degrees of freedom, must be > 0.

Changed in version 1.14.0: Earlier NumPy versions required dfnum > 1.

### **dfden**

[float or array\_like of floats] Denominator degrees of freedom, must be > 0.

### **nonc**

[float or array\_like of floats] Non-centrality parameter, the sum of the squares of the numerator means, must be  $\geq 0$ .

### **size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `dfnum`, `dfden`, and `nonc` are all scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(dfnum, dfden, nonc).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### **out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized noncentral Fisher distribution.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.noncentral\_f`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

When calculating the power of an experiment (power = probability of rejecting the null hypothesis when a specific alternative is true) the non-central F statistic becomes important. When the null hypothesis is true, the F statistic follows a central F distribution. When the null hypothesis is not true, then it follows a non-central F statistic.

## References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

## Examples

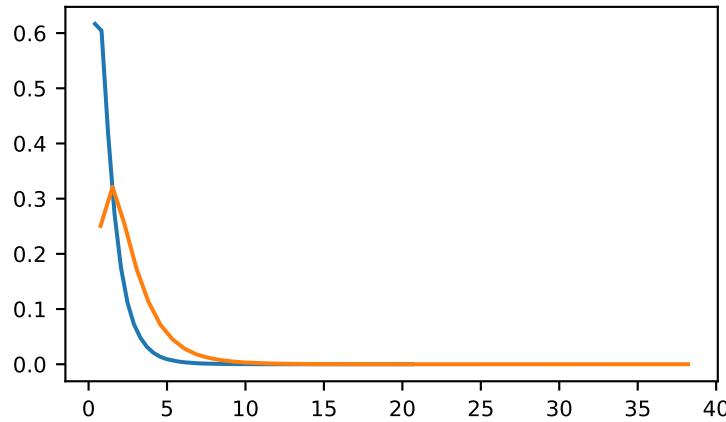
In a study, testing for a specific alternative to the null hypothesis requires use of the Noncentral F distribution. We need to calculate the area in the tail of the distribution that exceeds the value of the F distribution for the null hypothesis. We'll plot the two probability distributions for comparison.

```
>>> dfnum = 3 # between group deg of freedom
>>> dfden = 20 # within groups degrees of freedom
>>> nonc = 3.0
>>> nc_vals = np.random.noncentral_f(dfnum, dfden, nonc, 1000000)
```

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```
>>> NF = np.histogram(nc_vals, bins=50, density=True)
>>> c_vals = np.random.f(dfnum, dfden, 1000000)
>>> F = np.histogram(c_vals, bins=50, density=True)
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.plot(F[1][1:], F[0])
>>> plt.plot(NF[1][1:], NF[0])
>>> plt.show()
```



`random.normal(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw random samples from a normal (Gaussian) distribution.

The probability density function of the normal distribution, first derived by De Moivre and 200 years later by both Gauss and Laplace independently [2], is often called the bell curve because of its characteristic shape (see the example below).

The normal distributions occurs often in nature. For example, it describes the commonly occurring distribution of samples influenced by a large number of tiny, random disturbances, each with its own unique distribution [2].

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**Note:** New code should use the `normal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### loc

[float or array\_like of floats] Mean (“centre”) of the distribution.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats] Standard deviation (spread or “width”) of the distribution. Must be non-negative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `loc` and

`scale` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(loc, scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized normal distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.norm`

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.normal`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Gaussian distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mean and  $\sigma$  the standard deviation. The square of the standard deviation,  $\sigma^2$ , is called the variance.

The function has its peak at the mean, and its “spread” increases with the standard deviation (the function reaches 0.607 times its maximum at  $x + \sigma$  and  $x - \sigma$  [2]). This implies that `normal` is more likely to return samples lying close to the mean, rather than those far away.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, sigma = 0, 0.1 # mean and standard deviation
>>> s = np.random.normal(mu, sigma, 1000)
```

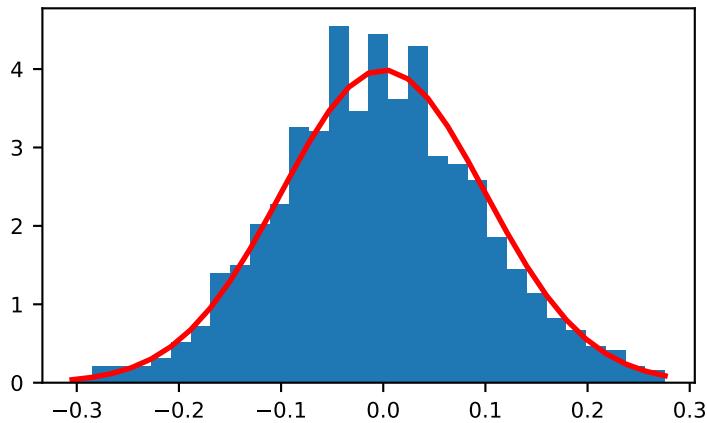
Verify the mean and the variance:

```
>>> abs(mu - np.mean(s))
0.0 # may vary
```

```
>>> abs(sigma - np.std(s, ddof=1))
0.1 # may vary
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 30, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, 1/(sigma * np.sqrt(2 * np.pi)) *
...             np.exp( - (bins - mu)**2 / (2 * sigma**2) ),
...             linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



Two-by-four array of samples from  $N(3, 6.25)$ :

```
>>> np.random.normal(3, 2.5, size=(2, 4))
array([[ -4.49401501,   4.00950034, -1.81814867,   7.29718677],      # random
       [  0.39924804,   4.68456316,   4.99394529,   4.84057254]])  # random
```

`random.pareto(a, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Pareto II or Lomax distribution with specified shape.

The Lomax or Pareto II distribution is a shifted Pareto distribution. The classical Pareto distribution can be obtained from the Lomax distribution by adding 1 and multiplying by the scale parameter  $m$  (see Notes). The smallest value of the Lomax distribution is zero while for the classical Pareto distribution it is  $\mu$ , where the standard Pareto distribution has location  $\mu = 1$ . Lomax can also be considered as a simplified version of the Generalized Pareto distribution (available in SciPy), with the scale set to one and the location set to zero.

The Pareto distribution must be greater than zero, and is unbounded above. It is also known as the “80-20 rule”. In this distribution, 80 percent of the weights are in the lowest 20 percent of the range, while the other 20 percent fill the remaining 80 percent of the range.

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**Note:** New code should use the `pareto` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

**a**

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape of the distribution. Must be positive.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `a` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Pareto distribution.

**See also:****`scipy.stats.lomax`**

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**`scipy.stats.genpareto`**

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

**`random.Generator.pareto`**

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the Pareto distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{am^a}{x^{a+1}}$$

where  $a$  is the shape and  $m$  the scale.

The Pareto distribution, named after the Italian economist Vilfredo Pareto, is a power law probability distribution useful in many real world problems. Outside the field of economics it is generally referred to as the Bradford distribution. Pareto developed the distribution to describe the distribution of wealth in an economy. It has also found use in insurance, web page access statistics, oil field sizes, and many other problems, including the download frequency for projects in Sourceforge [1]. It is one of the so-called “fat-tailed” distributions.

**References**

[1], [2], [3], [4]

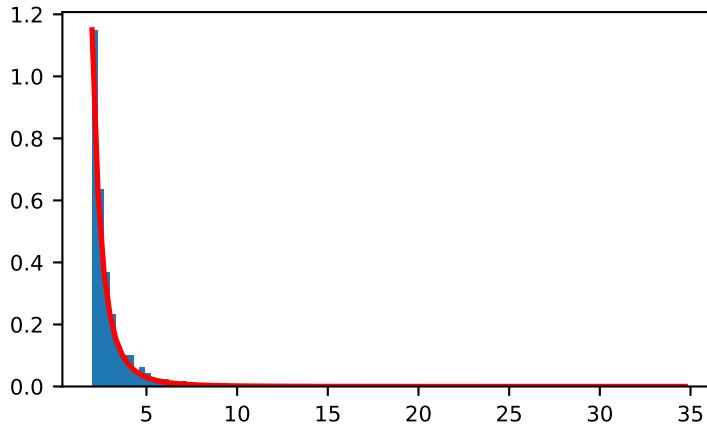
**Examples**

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a, m = 3., 2. # shape and mode
>>> s = (np.random.pareto(a, 1000) + 1) * m
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, _ = plt.hist(s, 100, density=True)
>>> fit = a*m**a / bins***(a+1)
>>> plt.plot(bins, max(count)*fit/max(fit), linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



## `random.permutation(x)`

Randomly permute a sequence, or return a permuted range.

If  $x$  is a multi-dimensional array, it is only shuffled along its first index.

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**Note:** New code should use the `permutation` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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### Parameters

#### `x`

[int or array\_like] If  $x$  is an integer, randomly permute `np.arange(x)`. If  $x$  is an array, make a copy and shuffle the elements randomly.

### Returns

#### `out`

[ndarray] Permuted sequence or array range.

### See also:

[`random.Generator.permutation`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.permutation(10)
array([1, 7, 4, 3, 0, 9, 2, 5, 8, 6]) # random
```

```
>>> np.random.permutation([1, 4, 9, 12, 15])
array([15, 1, 9, 4, 12]) # random
```

```
>>> arr = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> np.random.permutation(arr)
array([[6, 7, 8], # random
       [0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
```

`random.poisson(lam=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Poisson distribution.

The Poisson distribution is the limit of the binomial distribution for large N.

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**Note:** New code should use the `poisson` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### lam

[float or array\_like of floats] Expected number of events occurring in a fixed-time interval, must be  $\geq 0$ . A sequence must be broadcastable over the requested size.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `lam` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(lam).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Poisson distribution.

## See also:

`random.Generator.poisson`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The Poisson distribution

$$f(k; \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$

For events with an expected separation  $\lambda$  the Poisson distribution  $f(k; \lambda)$  describes the probability of  $k$  events occurring within the observed interval  $\lambda$ .

Because the output is limited to the range of the C int64 type, a ValueError is raised when *lam* is within 10 sigma of the maximum representable value.

## References

[1], [2]

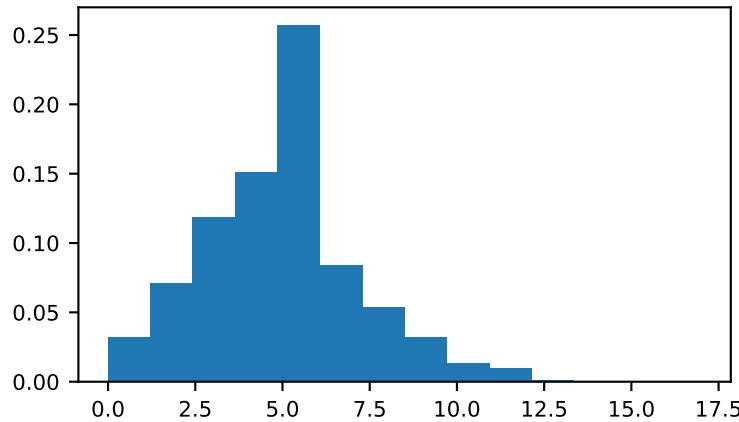
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> s = np.random.poisson(5, 10000)
```

Display histogram of the sample:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 14, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



Draw each 100 values for lambda 100 and 500:

```
>>> s = np.random.poisson(lam=(100., 500.), size=(100, 2))
```

`random.power(a, size=None)`

Draws samples in [0, 1] from a power distribution with positive exponent a - 1.

Also known as the power function distribution.

**Note:** New code should use the `power` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

## Parameters

### a

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter of the distribution. Must be non-negative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if a is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized power distribution.

## Raises

### ValueError

If a  $\leq 0$ .

## See also:

`random.Generator.power`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function is

$$P(x; a) = ax^{a-1}, 0 \leq x \leq 1, a > 0.$$

The power function distribution is just the inverse of the Pareto distribution. It may also be seen as a special case of the Beta distribution.

It is used, for example, in modeling the over-reporting of insurance claims.

## References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

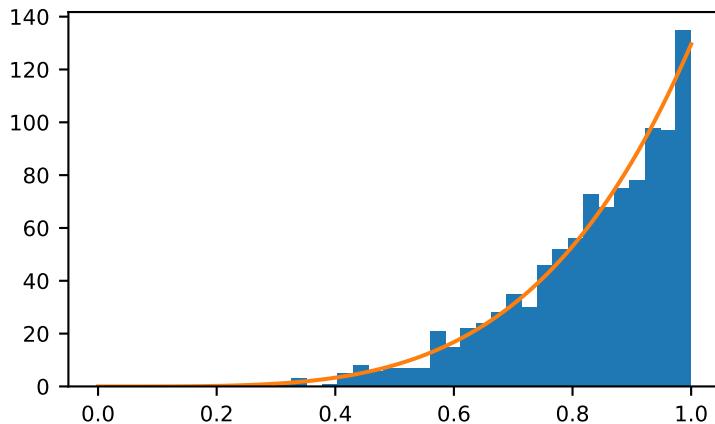
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = 5. # shape
>>> samples = 1000
>>> s = np.random.power(a, samples)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, bins=30)
>>> x = np.linspace(0, 1, 100)
>>> y = a*x**(a-1.)
>>> normed_y = samples*np.diff(bins)[0]**y
>>> plt.plot(x, normed_y)
>>> plt.show()
```



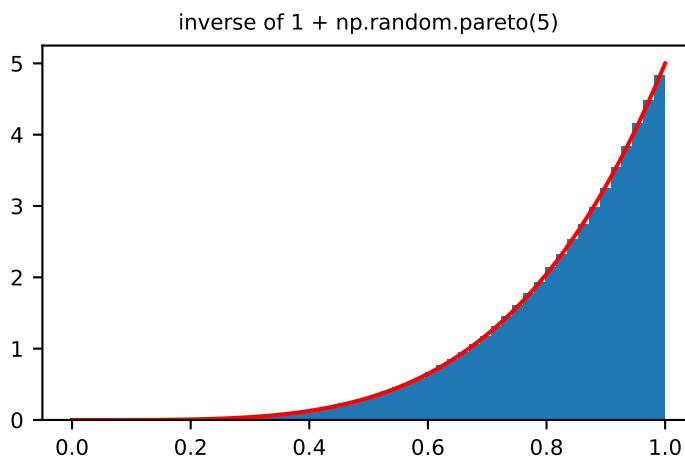
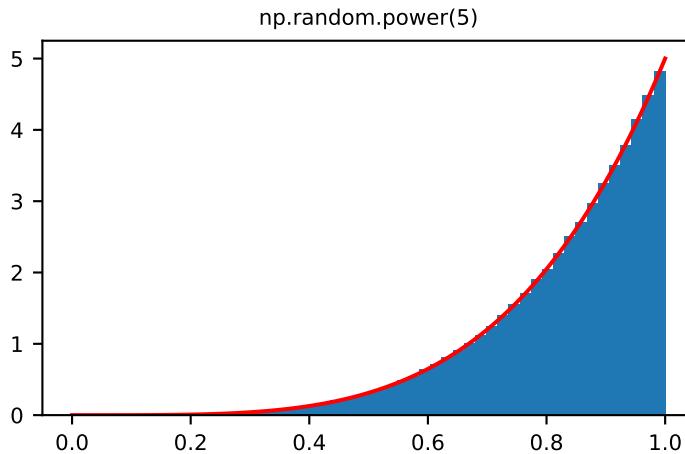
Compare the power function distribution to the inverse of the Pareto.

```
>>> from scipy import stats
>>> rvs = np.random.power(5, 1000000)
>>> rvsp = np.random.pareto(5, 1000000)
>>> xx = np.linspace(0,1,100)
>>> powpdf = stats.powerlaw.pdf(xx,5)
```

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(rvs, bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx,powpdf,'r-')
>>> plt.title('np.random.power(5)')
```

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(1./(1.+rvsp), bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx,powpdf,'r-')
>>> plt.title('inverse of 1 + np.random.pareto(5)')
```

```
>>> plt.figure()
>>> plt.hist(1./(1.+rvsp), bins=50, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(xx,powpdf,'r-')
>>> plt.title('inverse of stats.pareto(5)')
```

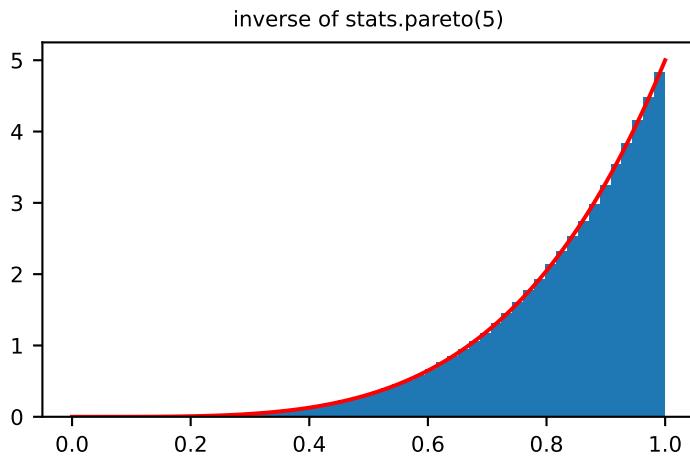


`random.rand(d0, d1, ..., dn)`

Random values in a given shape.

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**Note:** This is a convenience function for users porting code from Matlab, and wraps `random_sample`. That



function takes a tuple to specify the size of the output, which is consistent with other NumPy functions like [numpy.zeros](#) and [numpy.ones](#).

Create an array of the given shape and populate it with random samples from a uniform distribution over  $[0, 1]$ .

### Parameters

#### **d0, d1, ..., dn**

[int, optional] The dimensions of the returned array, must be non-negative. If no argument is given a single Python float is returned.

### Returns

#### **out**

[ndarray, shape (d0, d1, ..., dn)] Random values.

### See also:

#### [\*\*random\*\*](#)

### Examples

```
>>> np.random.rand(3,2)
array([[ 0.14022471,  0.96360618],  #random
       [ 0.37601032,  0.25528411],  #random
       [ 0.49313049,  0.94909878]]) #random
```

`random.randint (low, high=None, size=None, dtype=int)`

Return random integers from *low* (inclusive) to *high* (exclusive).

Return random integers from the “discrete uniform” distribution of the specified *dtype* in the “half-open” interval  $[low, high)$ . If *high* is None (the default), then results are from  $[0, low)$ .

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**Note:** New code should use the `integers` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### low

[int or array-like of ints] Lowest (signed) integers to be drawn from the distribution (unless `high=None`, in which case this parameter is one above the *highest* such integer).

### high

[int or array-like of ints, optional] If provided, one above the largest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (see above for behavior if `high=None`). If array-like, must contain integer values

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

### dtype

[dtype, optional] Desired dtype of the result. Byteorder must be native. The default value is int.

New in version 1.11.0.

## Returns

### out

[int or ndarray of ints] `size`-shaped array of random integers from the appropriate distribution, or a single such random int if `size` not provided.

## See also:

### `random_integers`

similar to `randint`, only for the closed interval  $[low, high]$ , and 1 is the lowest value if `high` is omitted.

### `random.Generator.integers`

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.randint(2, size=10)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0]) # random
>>> np.random.randint(1, size=10)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
```

Generate a  $2 \times 4$  array of ints between 0 and 4, inclusive:

```
>>> np.random.randint(5, size=(2, 4))
array([[4, 0, 2, 1], # random
       [3, 2, 2, 0]])
```

Generate a  $1 \times 3$  array with 3 different upper bounds

```
>>> np.random.randint(1, [3, 5, 10])
array([2, 2, 9]) # random
```

Generate a 1 by 3 array with 3 different lower bounds

```
>>> np.random.randint([1, 5, 7], 10)
array([9, 8, 7]) # random
```

Generate a 2 by 4 array using broadcasting with dtype of uint8

```
>>> np.random.randint([1, 3, 5, 7], [[10], [20]], dtype=np.uint8)
array([[ 8,  6,  9,  7], # random
       [ 1, 16,  9, 12]], dtype=uint8)
```

`random.rndn(d0, d1, ..., dn)`

Return a sample (or samples) from the “standard normal” distribution.

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**Note:** This is a convenience function for users porting code from Matlab, and wraps `standard_normal`. That function takes a tuple to specify the size of the output, which is consistent with other NumPy functions like `numpy.zeros` and `numpy.ones`.

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**Note:** New code should use the `standard_normal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

If positive int\_like arguments are provided, `rndn` generates an array of shape  $(d_0, d_1, \dots, d_n)$ , filled with random floats sampled from a univariate “normal” (Gaussian) distribution of mean 0 and variance 1. A single float randomly sampled from the distribution is returned if no argument is provided.

## Parameters

### `d0, d1, ..., dn`

[int, optional] The dimensions of the returned array, must be non-negative. If no argument is given a single Python float is returned.

## Returns

### `Z`

[ndarray or float] A  $(d_0, d_1, \dots, d_n)$ -shaped array of floating-point samples from the standard normal distribution, or a single such float if no parameters were supplied.

## See also:

### `standard_normal`

Similar, but takes a tuple as its argument.

### `normal`

Also accepts mu and sigma arguments.

### `random.Generator.standard_normal`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

For random samples from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , use:

```
sigma * np.random.randn(...) + mu
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.randn()
2.1923875335537315 # random
```

Two-by-four array of samples from  $N(3, 6.25)$ :

```
>>> 3 + 2.5 * np.random.randn(2, 4)
array([[-4.49401501, 4.00950034, -1.81814867, 7.29718677], # random
       [ 0.39924804, 4.68456316, 4.99394529, 4.84057254]]) # random
```

`random.random(size=None)`

Return random floats in the half-open interval [0.0, 1.0). Alias for `random_sample` to ease forward-porting to the new random API.

`random.random_integers(low, high=None, size=None)`

Random integers of type `np.int_` between `low` and `high`, inclusive.

Return random integers of type `np.int_` from the “discrete uniform” distribution in the closed interval `[low, high]`. If `high` is None (the default), then results are from `[1, low]`. The `np.int_` type translates to the C long integer type and its precision is platform dependent.

This function has been deprecated. Use `randint` instead.

Deprecated since version 1.11.0.

## Parameters

### low

[int] Lowest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (unless `high=None`, in which case this parameter is the *highest* such integer).

### high

[int, optional] If provided, the largest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (see above for behavior if `high=None`).

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

## Returns

### out

[int or ndarray of ints] `size`-shaped array of random integers from the appropriate distribution, or a single such random int if `size` not provided.

## See also:

**`randint`**

Similar to `random_integers`, only for the half-open interval  $[low, high)$ , and 0 is the lowest value if `high` is omitted.

**Notes**

To sample from N evenly spaced floating-point numbers between a and b, use:

```
a + (b - a) * (np.random.random_integers(N) - 1) / (N - 1.)
```

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.random_integers(5)
4 # random
>>> type(np.random.random_integers(5))
<class 'numpy.int64'>
>>> np.random.random_integers(5, size=(3,2))
array([[5, 4], # random
       [3, 3],
       [4, 5]])
```

Choose five random numbers from the set of five evenly-spaced numbers between 0 and 2.5, inclusive (*i.e.*, from the set  $0, 5/8, 10/8, 15/8, 20/8$ ):

```
>>> 2.5 * (np.random.random_integers(5, size=(5,)) - 1) / 4.
array([ 0.625,  1.25 ,  0.625,  0.625,  2.5 ]) # random
```

Roll two six sided dice 1000 times and sum the results:

```
>>> d1 = np.random.random_integers(1, 6, 1000)
>>> d2 = np.random.random_integers(1, 6, 1000)
>>> dsums = d1 + d2
```

Display results as a histogram:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(dsums, 11, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```

`random.random_sample(size=None)`

Return random floats in the half-open interval  $[0.0, 1.0)$ .

Results are from the “continuous uniform” distribution over the stated interval. To sample  $Unif[a, b]$ ,  $b > a$  multiply the output of `random_sample` by  $(b-a)$  and add  $a$ :

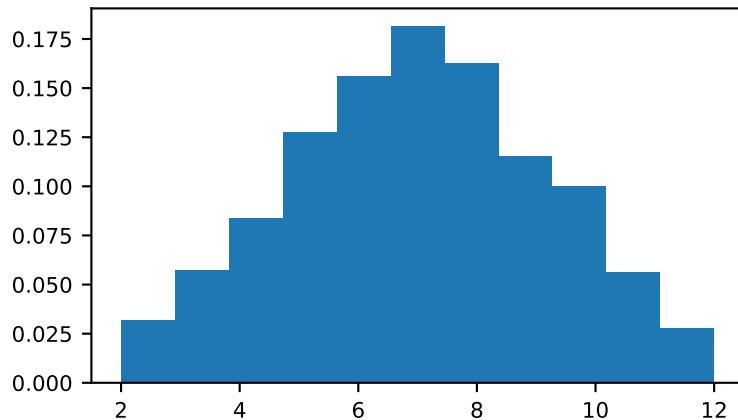
```
(b - a) * random_sample() + a
```

---

**Note:** New code should use the `random` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

**Parameters**

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a single value is returned.

**Returns****out**

[float or ndarray of floats] Array of random floats of shape `size` (unless `size=None`, in which case a single float is returned).

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.random`](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.random.random_sample()
0.47108547995356098 # random
>>> type(np.random.random_sample())
<class 'float'>
>>> np.random.random_sample((5,))
array([ 0.30220482,  0.86820401,  0.1654503 ,  0.11659149,  0.54323428]) # random
```

Three-by-two array of random numbers from [-5, 0):

```
>>> 5 * np.random.random_sample((3, 2)) - 5
array([[-3.99149989, -0.52338984], # random
       [-2.99091858, -0.79479508],
       [-1.23204345, -1.75224494]])
```

`random.ranf()`

This is an alias of `random_sample`. See `random_sample` for the complete documentation.

`random.rayleigh(scale=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Rayleigh distribution.

The  $\chi$  and Weibull distributions are generalizations of the Rayleigh.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `rayleigh` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Scale, also equals the mode. Must be non-negative. Default is 1.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `scale` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(scale).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Rayleigh distribution.

## See also:

`random.Generator.rayleigh`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function for the Rayleigh distribution is

$$P(x; scale) = \frac{x}{scale^2} e^{\frac{-x^2}{2 \cdot scale^2}}$$

The Rayleigh distribution would arise, for example, if the East and North components of the wind velocity had identical zero-mean Gaussian distributions. Then the wind speed would have a Rayleigh distribution.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram

```
>>> from matplotlib.pyplot import hist
>>> values = hist(np.random.rayleigh(3, 100000), bins=200, density=True)
```

Wave heights tend to follow a Rayleigh distribution. If the mean wave height is 1 meter, what fraction of waves are likely to be larger than 3 meters?

```
>>> meanvalue = 1
>>> modevalue = np.sqrt(2 / np.pi) * meanvalue
>>> s = np.random.rayleigh(modevalue, 1000000)
```

The percentage of waves larger than 3 meters is:

```
>>> 100.*sum(s>3)/1000000.
0.08730000000000003 # random
```

`random.sample()`

This is an alias of `random_sample`. See `random_sample` for the complete documentation.

`random.seed(self, seed=None)`

Reseed a legacy MT19937 BitGenerator

## Notes

This is a convenience, legacy function.

The best practice is to **not** reseed a BitGenerator, rather to recreate a new one. This method is here for legacy reasons. This example demonstrates best practice.

```
>>> from numpy.random import MT19937
>>> from numpy.random import RandomState, SeedSequence
>>> rs = RandomState(MT19937(SeedSequence(123456789)))
# Later, you want to restart the stream
>>> rs = RandomState(MT19937(SeedSequence(987654321)))
```

`random.set_state(state)`

Set the internal state of the generator from a tuple.

For use if one has reason to manually (re-)set the internal state of the bit generator used by the `RandomState` instance. By default, `RandomState` uses the “Mersenne Twister”[1] pseudo-random number generating algorithm.

### Parameters

#### state

[{tuple(str, ndarray of 624 uints, int, int, float), dict}] The `state` tuple has the following items:

1. the string ‘MT19937’, specifying the Mersenne Twister algorithm.
2. a 1-D array of 624 unsigned integers keys.

3. an integer `pos`.
4. an integer `has_gauss`.
5. a float `cached_gaussian`.

If state is a dictionary, it is directly set using the BitGenerators `state` property.

## Returns

### `out`

[None] Returns ‘None’ on success.

See also:

[`get\_state`](#)

## Notes

`set_state` and `get_state` are not needed to work with any of the random distributions in NumPy. If the internal state is manually altered, the user should know exactly what he/she is doing.

For backwards compatibility, the form (str, array of 624 uints, int) is also accepted although it is missing some information about the cached Gaussian value: `state = ('MT19937', keys, pos)`.

## References

[1]

`random.shuffle(x)`

Modify a sequence in-place by shuffling its contents.

This function only shuffles the array along the first axis of a multi-dimensional array. The order of sub-arrays is changed but their contents remains the same.

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**Note:** New code should use the `shuffle` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### `x`

[ndarray or MutableSequence] The array, list or mutable sequence to be shuffled.

## Returns

### `None`

See also:

[`random.Generator.shuffle`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Examples

```
>>> arr = np.arange(10)
>>> np.random.shuffle(arr)
>>> arr
[1 7 5 2 9 4 3 6 0 8] # random
```

Multi-dimensional arrays are only shuffled along the first axis:

```
>>> arr = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
>>> np.random.shuffle(arr)
>>> arr
array([[3, 4, 5], # random
       [6, 7, 8],
       [0, 1, 2]])
```

`random.standard_cauchy(size=None)`

Draw samples from a standard Cauchy distribution with mode = 0.

Also known as the Lorentz distribution.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `standard_cauchy` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

---

## Parameters

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a single value is returned.

## Returns

### samples

[ndarray or scalar] The drawn samples.

See also:

[`random.Generator.standard\_cauchy`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function for the full Cauchy distribution is

$$P(x; x_0, \gamma) = \frac{1}{\pi \gamma \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{x-x_0}{\gamma} \right)^2 \right]}$$

and the Standard Cauchy distribution just sets  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\gamma = 1$

The Cauchy distribution arises in the solution to the driven harmonic oscillator problem, and also describes spectral line broadening. It also describes the distribution of values at which a line tilted at a random angle will cut the x axis.

When studying hypothesis tests that assume normality, seeing how the tests perform on data from a Cauchy distribution is a good indicator of their sensitivity to a heavy-tailed distribution, since the Cauchy looks very much like a Gaussian distribution, but with heavier tails.

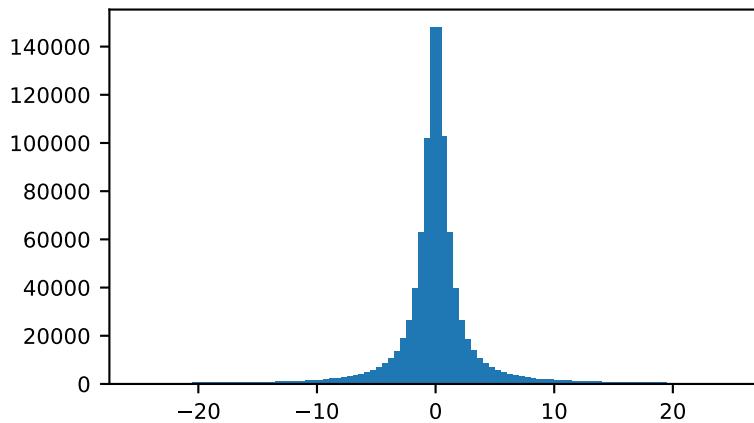
## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

Draw samples and plot the distribution:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> s = np.random.standard_cauchy(1000000)
>>> s = s[(s>-25) & (s<25)] # truncate distribution so it plots well
>>> plt.hist(s, bins=100)
>>> plt.show()
```



random.**standard\_exponential**(size=None)

Draw samples from the standard exponential distribution.

`standard_exponential` is identical to the exponential distribution with a scale parameter of 1.

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**Note:** New code should use the `standard_exponential` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

**Returns****out**

[float or ndarray] Drawn samples.

**See also:**

[`random.Generator.standard\_exponential`](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Examples**

Output a 3x8000 array:

```
>>> n = np.random.standard_exponential((3, 8000))
```

`random.standard_gamma`(*shape*, *size=None*)

Draw samples from a standard Gamma distribution.

Samples are drawn from a Gamma distribution with specified parameters, shape (sometimes designated “k”) and scale=1.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `standard_gamma` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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**Parameters****shape**

[float or array\_like of floats] Parameter, must be non-negative.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `shape` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(shape).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized standard gamma distribution.

**See also:**

[`scipy.stats.gamma`](#)

probability density function, distribution or cumulative density function, etc.

[`random.Generator.standard\_gamma`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Gamma distribution is

$$p(x) = x^{k-1} \frac{e^{-x/\theta}}{\theta^k \Gamma(k)},$$

where  $k$  is the shape and  $\theta$  the scale, and  $\Gamma$  is the Gamma function.

The Gamma distribution is often used to model the times to failure of electronic components, and arises naturally in processes for which the waiting times between Poisson distributed events are relevant.

## References

[1], [2]

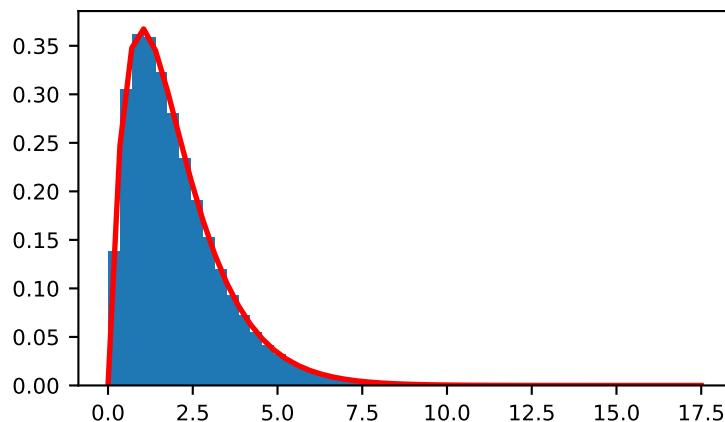
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> shape, scale = 2., 1. # mean and width
>>> s = np.random.standard_gamma(shape, 1000000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> import scipy.special as sps
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> y = bins**(shape-1) * ((np.exp(-bins/scale))/
...                      (sps.gamma(shape) * scale**shape))
>>> plt.plot(bins, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



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```
random.standard_normal(size=None)
```

Draw samples from a standard Normal distribution (mean=0, stdev=1).

---

**Note:** New code should use the `standard_normal` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the *Quick Start*.

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## Parameters

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a single value is returned.

## Returns

### out

[float or ndarray] A floating-point array of shape `size` of drawn samples, or a single sample if `size` was not specified.

## See also:

### `normal`

Equivalent function with additional `loc` and `scale` arguments for setting the mean and standard deviation.

### `random.Generator.standard_normal`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

For random samples from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , use one of:

```
mu + sigma * np.random.standard_normal(size=...)
np.random.normal(mu, sigma, size=...)
```

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.standard_normal()
2.1923875335537315 #random
```

```
>>> s = np.random.standard_normal(8000)
>>> s
array([ 0.6888893 ,  0.78096262, -0.89086505, ...,  0.49876311,  # random
       -0.38672696, -0.4685006 ])
>>> s.shape
(8000,)
>>> s = np.random.standard_normal(size=(3, 4, 2))
>>> s.shape
(3, 4, 2)
```

Two-by-four array of samples from  $N(3, 6.25)$ :

```
>>> 3 + 2.5 * np.random.standard_normal(size=(2, 4))
array([[-4.49401501,  4.00950034, -1.81814867,  7.29718677],      # random
       [ 0.39924804,  4.68456316,  4.99394529,  4.84057254]])  # random
```

**random.standard\_t**(*df*, *size=None*)

Draw samples from a standard Student's t distribution with *df* degrees of freedom.

A special case of the hyperbolic distribution. As *df* gets large, the result resembles that of the standard normal distribution ([standard\\_normal](#)).

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**Note:** New code should use the `standard_t` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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**Parameters****df**

[float or array\_like of floats] Degrees of freedom, must be > 0.

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `df` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(df).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized standard Student's t distribution.

**See also:**[`random.Generator.standard\_t`](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density function for the t distribution is

$$P(x, df) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{df+1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi df} \Gamma(\frac{df}{2})} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{df}\right)^{-(df+1)/2}$$

The t test is based on an assumption that the data come from a Normal distribution. The t test provides a way to test whether the sample mean (that is the mean calculated from the data) is a good estimate of the true mean.

The derivation of the t-distribution was first published in 1908 by William Gosset while working for the Guinness Brewery in Dublin. Due to proprietary issues, he had to publish under a pseudonym, and so he used the name Student.

## References

[1], [2]

## Examples

From Dalgaard page 83 [1], suppose the daily energy intake for 11 women in kilojoules (kJ) is:

```
>>> intake = np.array([5260., 5470, 5640, 6180, 6390, 6515, 6805, 7515, \
...      7515, 8230, 8770])
```

Does their energy intake deviate systematically from the recommended value of 7725 kJ? Our null hypothesis will be the absence of deviation, and the alternate hypothesis will be the presence of an effect that could be either positive or negative, hence making our test 2-tailed.

Because we are estimating the mean and we have N=11 values in our sample, we have N-1=10 degrees of freedom. We set our significance level to 95% and compute the t statistic using the empirical mean and empirical standard deviation of our intake. We use a ddof of 1 to base the computation of our empirical standard deviation on an unbiased estimate of the variance (note: the final estimate is not unbiased due to the concave nature of the square root).

```
>>> np.mean(intake)
6753.636363636364
>>> intake.std(ddof=1)
1142.1232221373727
>>> t = (np.mean(intake)-7725) / (intake.std(ddof=1) / np.sqrt(len(intake)))
>>> t
-2.8207540608310198
```

We draw 1000000 samples from Student's t distribution with the adequate degrees of freedom.

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> s = np.random.standard_t(10, size=1000000)
>>> h = plt.hist(s, bins=100, density=True)
```

Does our t statistic land in one of the two critical regions found at both tails of the distribution?

```
>>> np.sum(np.abs(t) < np.abs(s)) / float(len(s))
0.018318 #random < 0.05, statistic is in critical region
```

The probability value for this 2-tailed test is about 1.83%, which is lower than the 5% pre-determined significance threshold.

Therefore, the probability of observing values as extreme as our intake conditionally on the null hypothesis being true is too low, and we reject the null hypothesis of no deviation.

`random.triangular(left, mode, right, size=None)`

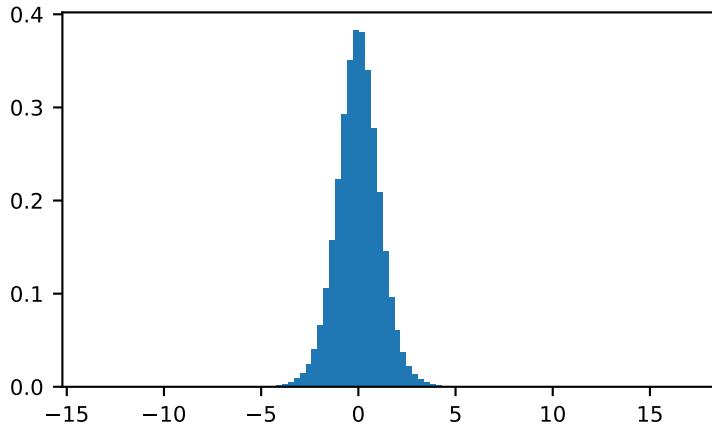
Draw samples from the triangular distribution over the interval [left, right].

The triangular distribution is a continuous probability distribution with lower limit left, peak at mode, and upper limit right. Unlike the other distributions, these parameters directly define the shape of the pdf.

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**Note:** New code should use the `triangular` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### left

[float or array\_like of floats] Lower limit.

### mode

[float or array\_like of floats] The value where the peak of the distribution occurs. The value must fulfill the condition `left <= mode <= right`.

### right

[float or array\_like of floats] Upper limit, must be larger than `left`.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if `left`, `mode`, and `right` are all scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(left, mode, right).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized triangular distribution.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.triangular`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function for the triangular distribution is

$$P(x; l, m, r) = \begin{cases} \frac{2(x-l)}{(r-l)(m-l)} & \text{for } l \leq x \leq m, \\ \frac{2(r-x)}{(r-l)(r-m)} & \text{for } m \leq x \leq r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The triangular distribution is often used in ill-defined problems where the underlying distribution is not known, but some knowledge of the limits and mode exists. Often it is used in simulations.

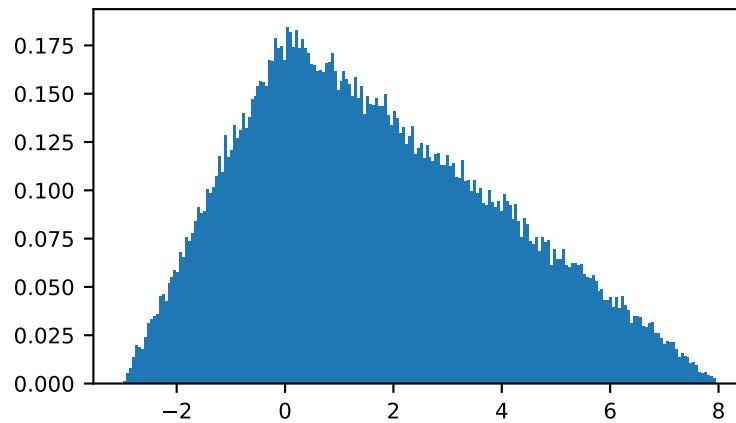
## References

[1]

## Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> h = plt.hist(np.random.triangular(-3, 0, 8, 100000), bins=200,
...               density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



`random.uniform(low=0.0, high=1.0, size=None)`

Draw samples from a uniform distribution.

Samples are uniformly distributed over the half-open interval  $[low, high)$  (includes low, but excludes high). In other words, any value within the given interval is equally likely to be drawn by `uniform`.

---

**Note:** New code should use the `uniform` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### low

[float or array\_like of floats, optional] Lower boundary of the output interval. All values generated will be greater than or equal to low. The default value is 0.

### high

[float or array\_like of floats] Upper boundary of the output interval. All values generated will be less than or equal to high. The high limit may be included in the returned array of floats due to floating-point rounding in the equation `low + (high-low) * random_sample()`. The default value is 1.0.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `low` and `high` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(low, high).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized uniform distribution.

## See also:

### `randint`

Discrete uniform distribution, yielding integers.

### `random_integers`

Discrete uniform distribution over the closed interval `[low, high]`.

### `random_sample`

FLOATS uniformly distributed over `[0, 1)`.

### `random`

Alias for `random_sample`.

### `rand`

Convenience function that accepts dimensions as input, e.g., `rand(2, 2)` would generate a 2-by-2 array of floats, uniformly distributed over `[0, 1)`.

### `random.Generator.uniform`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function of the uniform distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{b - a}$$

anywhere within the interval  $[a, b]$ , and zero elsewhere.

When `high == low`, values of `low` will be returned. If `high < low`, the results are officially undefined and may eventually raise an error, i.e. do not rely on this function to behave when passed arguments satisfying that inequality condition. The `high` limit may be included in the returned array of floats due to floating-point rounding in the equation `low + (high-low) * random_sample()`. For example:

```
>>> x = np.float32(5*0.99999999)
>>> x
5.0
```

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> s = np.random.uniform(-1, 0, 1000)
```

All values are within the given interval:

```
>>> np.all(s >= -1)
True
>>> np.all(s < 0)
True
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(s, 15, density=True)
>>> plt.plot(bins, np.ones_like(bins), linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```

`random.vonmises(mu, kappa, size=None)`

Draw samples from a von Mises distribution.

Samples are drawn from a von Mises distribution with specified mode (`mu`) and dispersion (`kappa`), on the interval  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

The von Mises distribution (also known as the circular normal distribution) is a continuous probability distribution on the unit circle. It may be thought of as the circular analogue of the normal distribution.

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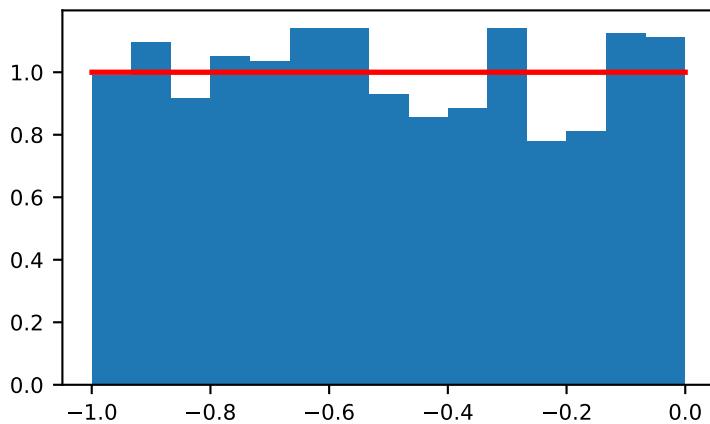
**Note:** New code should use the `vonmises` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### `mu`

[float or array\_like of floats] Mode (“center”) of the distribution.

**kappa**

[float or array\_like of floats] Dispersion of the distribution, has to be  $\geq 0$ .

**size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `mu` and `kappa` are both scalars. Otherwise, `np.broadcast(mu, kappa).size` samples are drawn.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized von Mises distribution.

**See also:**[scipy.stats.vonmises](#)

probability density function, distribution, or cumulative density function, etc.

[random.Generator.vonmises](#)

which should be used for new code.

**Notes**

The probability density for the von Mises distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{e^{\kappa \cos(x-\mu)}}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)},$$

where  $\mu$  is the mode and  $\kappa$  the dispersion, and  $I_0(\kappa)$  is the modified Bessel function of order 0.

The von Mises is named for Richard Edler von Mises, who was born in Austria-Hungary, in what is now the Ukraine. He fled to the United States in 1939 and became a professor at Harvard. He worked in probability theory, aerodynamics, fluid mechanics, and philosophy of science.

## References

[1], [2]

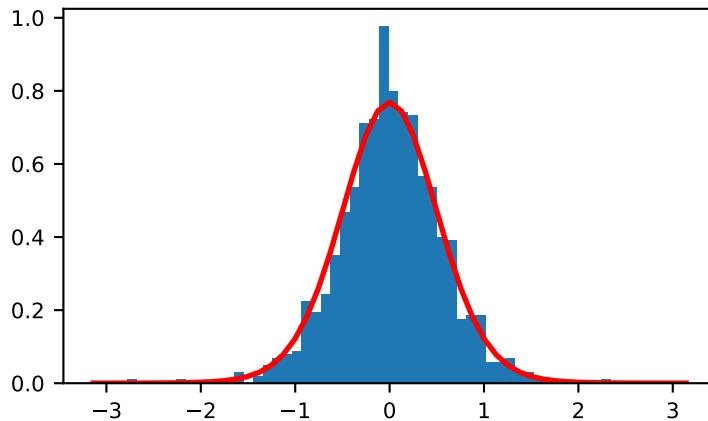
## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> mu, kappa = 0.0, 4.0 # mean and dispersion
>>> s = np.random.vonmises(mu, kappa, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from scipy.special import i0
>>> plt.hist(s, 50, density=True)
>>> x = np.linspace(-np.pi, np.pi, num=51)
>>> y = np.exp(kappa*np.cos(x-mu))/(2*np.pi*i0(kappa))
>>> plt.plot(x, y, linewidth=2, color='r')
>>> plt.show()
```



`random.wald(mean, scale, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Wald, or inverse Gaussian, distribution.

As the scale approaches infinity, the distribution becomes more like a Gaussian. Some references claim that the Wald is an inverse Gaussian with mean equal to 1, but this is by no means universal.

The inverse Gaussian distribution was first studied in relationship to Brownian motion. In 1956 M.C.K. Tweedie used the name inverse Gaussian because there is an inverse relationship between the time to cover a unit distance and distance covered in unit time.

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**Note:** New code should use the `wald` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### mean

[float or array\_like of floats] Distribution mean, must be > 0.

### scale

[float or array\_like of floats] Scale parameter, must be > 0.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k), then m \* n \* k samples are drawn. If size is None (default), a single value is returned if mean and scale are both scalars. Otherwise, np.broadcast(mean, scale).size samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Wald distribution.

## See also:

[`random.Generator.wald`](#)

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density function for the Wald distribution is

$$P(x; \text{mean}, \text{scale}) = \sqrt{\frac{\text{scale}}{2\pi x^3}} e^{-\frac{\text{scale}(x-\text{mean})^2}{2\cdot\text{mean}^2 x}}$$

As noted above the inverse Gaussian distribution first arise from attempts to model Brownian motion. It is also a competitor to the Weibull for use in reliability modeling and modeling stock returns and interest rate processes.

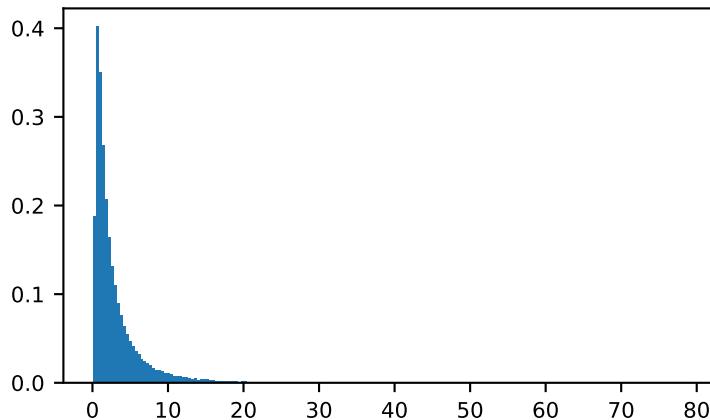
## References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#), [\[3\]](#)

## Examples

Draw values from the distribution and plot the histogram:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> h = plt.hist(np.random.wald(3, 2, 100000), bins=200, density=True)
>>> plt.show()
```



`random.weibull(a, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Weibull distribution.

Draw samples from a 1-parameter Weibull distribution with the given shape parameter  $a$ .

$$X = (-\ln(U))^{1/a}$$

Here,  $U$  is drawn from the uniform distribution over  $(0,1]$ .

The more common 2-parameter Weibull, including a scale parameter  $\lambda$  is just  $X = \lambda(-\ln(U))^{1/a}$ .

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**Note:** New code should use the `weibull` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### a

[float or array\_like of floats] Shape parameter of the distribution. Must be nonnegative.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if  $a$  is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Weibull distribution.

## See also:

`scipy.stats.weibull_max`

```
scipy.stats.weibull_min
scipy.stats.genextreme
gumbel
random.Generator.weibull
```

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The Weibull (or Type III asymptotic extreme value distribution for smallest values, SEV Type III, or Rosin-Rammler distribution) is one of a class of Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distributions used in modeling extreme value problems. This class includes the Gumbel and Frechet distributions.

The probability density for the Weibull distribution is

$$p(x) = \frac{a}{\lambda} \left(\frac{x}{\lambda}\right)^{a-1} e^{-(x/\lambda)^a},$$

where  $a$  is the shape and  $\lambda$  the scale.

The function has its peak (the mode) at  $\lambda(\frac{a-1}{a})^{1/a}$ .

When  $a = 1$ , the Weibull distribution reduces to the exponential distribution.

## References

[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = 5. # shape
>>> s = np.random.weibull(a, 1000)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> x = np.arange(1,100.)/50.
>>> def weib(x,n,a):
...     return (a / n) ** (x / n)**(a - 1) * np.exp(-(x / n)**a)
```

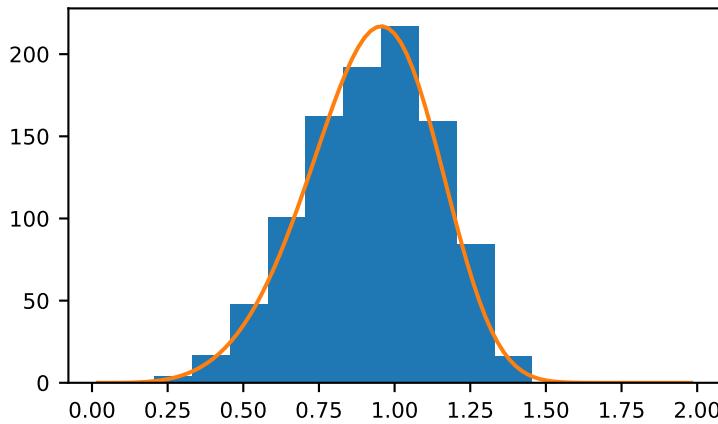
```
>>> count, bins, ignored = plt.hist(np.random.weibull(5.,1000))
>>> x = np.arange(1,100.)/50.
>>> scale = count.max()/weib(x, 1., 5.).max()
>>> plt.plot(x, weib(x, 1., 5.)*scale)
>>> plt.show()
```

`random.zipf(a, size=None)`

Draw samples from a Zipf distribution.

Samples are drawn from a Zipf distribution with specified parameter  $a > 1$ .

The Zipf distribution (also known as the zeta distribution) is a discrete probability distribution that satisfies Zipf's law: the frequency of an item is inversely proportional to its rank in a frequency table.




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**Note:** New code should use the `zipf` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the [Quick Start](#).

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## Parameters

### a

[float or array\_like of floats] Distribution parameter. Must be greater than 1.

### size

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. If size is `None` (default), a single value is returned if `a` is a scalar. Otherwise, `np.array(a).size` samples are drawn.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray or scalar] Drawn samples from the parameterized Zipf distribution.

## See also:

### `scipy.stats.zipf`

probability density function, distribution, or cumulative density function, etc.

### `random.Generator.zipf`

which should be used for new code.

## Notes

The probability density for the Zipf distribution is

$$p(k) = \frac{k^{-a}}{\zeta(a)},$$

for integers  $k \geq 1$ , where  $\zeta$  is the Riemann Zeta function.

It is named for the American linguist George Kingsley Zipf, who noted that the frequency of any word in a sample of a language is inversely proportional to its rank in the frequency table.

## References

[1]

## Examples

Draw samples from the distribution:

```
>>> a = 4.0
>>> n = 20000
>>> s = np.random.zipf(a, n)
```

Display the histogram of the samples, along with the expected histogram based on the probability density function:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from scipy.special import zeta
```

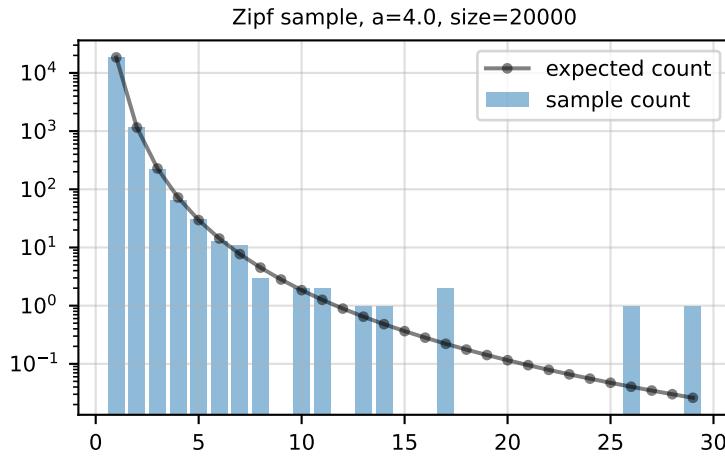
`bincount` provides a fast histogram for small integers.

```
>>> count = np.bincount(s)
>>> k = np.arange(1, s.max() + 1)
```

```
>>> plt.bar(k, count[1:], alpha=0.5, label='sample count')
>>> plt.plot(k, n*(k**-a)/zeta(a), 'k.-', alpha=0.5,
...            label='expected count')
>>> plt.semilogy()
>>> plt.grid(alpha=0.4)
>>> plt.legend()
>>> plt.title(f'Zipf sample, a={a}, size={n}')
>>> plt.show()
```

## Bit Generators

The random values produced by `Generator` originate in a BitGenerator. The BitGenerators do not directly provide random numbers and only contains methods used for seeding, getting or setting the state, jumping or advancing the state, and for accessing low-level wrappers for consumption by code that can efficiently access the functions provided, e.g., `numba`.



## Supported BitGenerators

The included BitGenerators are:

- PCG-64 - The default. A fast generator that can be advanced by an arbitrary amount. See the documentation for [advance](#). PCG-64 has a period of  $2^{128}$ . See the [PCG author's page](#) for more details about this class of PRNG.
- PCG-64 DXSM - An upgraded version of PCG-64 with better statistical properties in parallel contexts. See [Upgrading PCG64 with PCG64DXSM](#) for more information on these improvements.
- MT19937 - The standard Python BitGenerator. Adds a [MT19937.jumped](#) function that returns a new generator with state as-if  $2^{128}$  draws have been made.
- Philox - A counter-based generator capable of being advanced an arbitrary number of steps or generating independent streams. See the [Random123](#) page for more details about this class of bit generators.
- SFC64 - A fast generator based on random invertible mappings. Usually the fastest generator of the four. See the [SFC author's page](#) for (a little) more detail.

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`BitGenerator([seed])`

Base Class for generic BitGenerators, which provide a stream of random bits based on different algorithms.

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`class numpy.random.BitGenerator(seed=None)`

Base Class for generic BitGenerators, which provide a stream of random bits based on different algorithms. Must be overridden.

### Parameters

#### seed

[{None, int, array\_like[ints], SeedSequence}, optional] A seed to initialize the `BitGenerator`. If None, then fresh, unpredictable entropy will be pulled from the OS. If an int or array\_like[ints] is passed, then it will be passed to ‘numpy.random.SeedSequence’ to derive the initial `BitGenerator` state. One may also pass in a `SeedSequence` instance.

### See also:

***SeedSequence*****Attributes****lock**

[`threading.Lock`] Lock instance that is shared so that the same BitGenerator can be used in multiple Generators without corrupting the state. Code that generates values from a bit generator should hold the bit generator's lock.

**Methods**

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<code>random_raw(self[, size])</code>	Return randoms as generated by the underlying BitGenerator
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method

`random.BitGenerator.random_raw(self, size=None)`

Return randoms as generated by the underlying BitGenerator

**Parameters****size**

[int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., ( $m, n, k$ ), then  $m * n * k$  samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

**output**

[bool, optional] Output values. Used for performance testing since the generated values are not returned.

**Returns****out**

[uint or ndarray] Drawn samples.

**Notes**

This method directly exposes the raw underlying pseudo-random number generator. All values are returned as unsigned 64-bit values irrespective of the number of bits produced by the PRNG.

See the class docstring for the number of bits returned.

## Mersenne Twister (MT19937)

```
class numpy.random.MT19937(seed=None)
```

Container for the Mersenne Twister pseudo-random number generator.

### Parameters

#### seed

[{None, int, array\_like[ints], SeedSequence}, optional] A seed to initialize the *BitGenerator*. If None, then fresh, unpredictable entropy will be pulled from the OS. If an int or array\_like[ints] is passed, then it will be passed to *SeedSequence* to derive the initial *BitGenerator* state. One may also pass in a *SeedSequence* instance.

### Notes

MT19937 provides a capsule containing function pointers that produce doubles, and unsigned 32 and 64-bit integers [1]. These are not directly consumable in Python and must be consumed by a Generator or similar object that supports low-level access.

The Python stdlib module “random” also contains a Mersenne Twister pseudo-random number generator.

### State and Seeding

The MT19937 state vector consists of a 624-element array of 32-bit unsigned integers plus a single integer value between 0 and 624 that indexes the current position within the main array.

The input seed is processed by *SeedSequence* to fill the whole state. The first element is reset such that only its most significant bit is set.

### Parallel Features

The preferred way to use a BitGenerator in parallel applications is to use the *SeedSequence.spawn* method to obtain entropy values, and to use these to generate new BitGenerators:

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, MT19937, SeedSequence
>>> sg = SeedSequence(1234)
>>> rg = [Generator(MT19937(s)) for s in sg.spawn(10)]
```

Another method is to use *MT19937.jumped* which advances the state as-if  $2^{128}$  random numbers have been generated ([1], [2]). This allows the original sequence to be split so that distinct segments can be used in each worker process. All generators should be chained to ensure that the segments come from the same sequence.

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, MT19937, SeedSequence
>>> sg = SeedSequence(1234)
>>> bit_generator = MT19937(sg)
>>> rg = []
>>> for _ in range(10):
...     rg.append(Generator(bit_generator))
...     # Chain the BitGenerators
...     bit_generator = bit_generator.jumped()
```

### Compatibility Guarantee

MT19937 makes a guarantee that a fixed seed will always produce the same random integer stream.

## References

[1], [2]

### Attributes

#### lock: `threading.Lock`

Lock instance that is shared so that the same bit generator can be used in multiple Generators without corrupting the state. Code that generates values from a bit generator should hold the bit generator's lock.

## State

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<code>state</code>	Get or set the PRNG state
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attribute

`random.MT19937.state`

Get or set the PRNG state

### Returns

#### state

[dict] Dictionary containing the information required to describe the state of the PRNG

## Parallel generation

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<code>jumped([jumps])</code>	Returns a new bit generator with the state jumped
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method

`random.MT19937.jumped(jumps=1)`

Returns a new bit generator with the state jumped

The state of the returned bit generator is jumped as-if  $2^{**}(128 * \text{jumps})$  random numbers have been generated.

### Parameters

#### jumps

[integer, positive] Number of times to jump the state of the bit generator returned

### Returns

#### bit\_generator

[MT19937] New instance of generator jumped iter times

## Notes

The jump step is computed using a modified version of Matsumoto's implementation of Horner's method. The step polynomial is precomputed to perform  $2^{**}128$  steps. The jumped state has been verified to match the state produced using Matsumoto's original code.

## References

[\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#)

## Extending

<code>cffi</code>	CFFI interface
<code>ctypes</code>	ctypes interface

attribute

`random.MT19937.cffi`

CFFI interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing CFFI wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

attribute

`random.MT19937.ctypes`

ctypes interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing ctypes wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

## Permuted Congruential Generator (64-bit, PCG64)

```
class numpy.random.PCG64(seed=None)
```

BitGenerator for the PCG-64 pseudo-random number generator.

### Parameters

#### seed

[{None, int, array\_like[ints], SeedSequence}, optional] A seed to initialize the *BitGenerator*. If None, then fresh, unpredictable entropy will be pulled from the OS. If an int or array\_like[ints] is passed, then it will be passed to *SeedSequence* to derive the initial *BitGenerator* state. One may also pass in a *SeedSequence* instance.

### Notes

PCG-64 is a 128-bit implementation of O'Neill's permutation congruential generator ([1], [2]). PCG-64 has a period of  $2^{128}$  and supports advancing an arbitrary number of steps as well as  $2^{127}$  streams. The specific member of the PCG family that we use is PCG XSL RR 128/64 as described in the paper ([2]).

PCG64 provides a capsule containing function pointers that produce doubles, and unsigned 32 and 64-bit integers. These are not directly consumable in Python and must be consumed by a *Generator* or similar object that supports low-level access.

Supports the method *advance* to advance the RNG an arbitrary number of steps. The state of the PCG-64 RNG is represented by 2 128-bit unsigned integers.

### State and Seeding

The PCG64 state vector consists of 2 unsigned 128-bit values, which are represented externally as Python ints. One is the state of the PRNG, which is advanced by a linear congruential generator (LCG). The second is a fixed odd increment used in the LCG.

The input seed is processed by *SeedSequence* to generate both values. The increment is not independently settable.

### Parallel Features

The preferred way to use a BitGenerator in parallel applications is to use the *SeedSequence.spawn* method to obtain entropy values, and to use these to generate new BitGenerators:

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, PCG64, SeedSequence
>>> sg = SeedSequence(1234)
>>> rg = [Generator(PCG64(s)) for s in sg.spawn(10)]
```

### Compatibility Guarantee

PCG64 makes a guarantee that a fixed seed will always produce the same random integer stream.

## References

[1], [2]

## State

---

<code>state</code>	Get or set the PRNG state
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attribute

`random.PCG64.state`

Get or set the PRNG state

### Returns

#### `state`

[dict] Dictionary containing the information required to describe the state of the PRNG

## Parallel generation

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<code>advance(delta)</code>	Advance the underlying RNG as-if delta draws have occurred.
<code>jumped([jumps])</code>	Returns a new bit generator with the state jumped.

---

method

`random.PCG64.advance(delta)`

Advance the underlying RNG as-if delta draws have occurred.

### Parameters

#### `delta`

[integer, positive] Number of draws to advance the RNG. Must be less than the size state variable in the underlying RNG.

### Returns

#### `self`

[PCG64] RNG advanced delta steps

## Notes

Advancing a RNG updates the underlying RNG state as-if a given number of calls to the underlying RNG have been made. In general there is not a one-to-one relationship between the number output random values from a particular distribution and the number of draws from the core RNG. This occurs for two reasons:

- The random values are simulated using a rejection-based method and so, on average, more than one value from the underlying RNG is required to generate a single draw.
- The number of bits required to generate a simulated value differs from the number of bits generated by the underlying RNG. For example, two 16-bit integer values can be simulated from a single draw of a 32-bit RNG.

Advancing the RNG state resets any pre-computed random numbers. This is required to ensure exact reproducibility.

method

`random.PCG64.jumped(jumps=1)`

Returns a new bit generator with the state jumped.

Jumps the state as-if jumps \* 210306068529402873165736369884012333109 random numbers have been generated.

### Parameters

#### jumps

[integer, positive] Number of times to jump the state of the bit generator returned

### Returns

#### bit\_generator

[PCG64] New instance of generator jumped iter times

## Notes

The step size is phi-1 when multiplied by 2\*\*128 where phi is the golden ratio.

## Extending

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<code>cffi</code>	CFFI interface
<code>ctypes</code>	ctypes interface

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attribute

`random.PCG64.cffi`

CFFI interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing CFFI wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct

- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

attribute

`random.PCG64.ctypes`

ctypes interface

#### Returns

##### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing ctypes wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

## Permuted Congruential Generator (64-bit, PCG64 DXSM)

`class numpy.random.PCG64DXSM(seed=None)`

BitGenerator for the PCG-64 DXSM pseudo-random number generator.

#### Parameters

##### seed

[{None, int, array\_like[ints], SeedSequence}, optional] A seed to initialize the `BitGenerator`. If None, then fresh, unpredictable entropy will be pulled from the OS. If an int or array\_like[ints] is passed, then it will be passed to `SeedSequence` to derive the initial `BitGenerator` state. One may also pass in a `SeedSequence` instance.

#### Notes

PCG-64 DXSM is a 128-bit implementation of O'Neill's permutation congruential generator ([1], [2]). PCG-64 DXSM has a period of  $2^{128}$  and supports advancing an arbitrary number of steps as well as  $2^{127}$  streams. The specific member of the PCG family that we use is PCG CM DXSM 128/64. It differs from `PCG64` in that it uses the stronger DXSM output function, a 64-bit "cheap multiplier" in the LCG, and outputs from the state before advancing it rather than advance-then-output.

`PCG64DXSM` provides a capsule containing function pointers that produce doubles, and unsigned 32 and 64-bit integers. These are not directly consumable in Python and must be consumed by a `Generator` or similar object that supports low-level access.

Supports the method `advance` to advance the RNG an arbitrary number of steps. The state of the PCG-64 DXSM RNG is represented by 2 128-bit unsigned integers.

### State and Seeding

The PCG64DXSM state vector consists of 2 unsigned 128-bit values, which are represented externally as Python ints. One is the state of the PRNG, which is advanced by a linear congruential generator (LCG). The second is a fixed odd increment used in the LCG.

The input seed is processed by `SeedSequence` to generate both values. The increment is not independently settable.

### Parallel Features

The preferred way to use a BitGenerator in parallel applications is to use the `SeedSequence.spawn` method to obtain entropy values, and to use these to generate new BitGenerators:

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, PCG64DXSM, SeedSequence
>>> sg = SeedSequence(1234)
>>> rg = [Generator(PCG64DXSM(s)) for s in sg.spawn(10)]
```

### Compatibility Guarantee

PCG64DXSM makes a guarantee that a fixed seed will always produce the same random integer stream.

## References

[1], [2]

### State

---

`state`

Get or set the PRNG state

---

attribute

`random.PCG64DXSM.state`

Get or set the PRNG state

#### Returns

`state`

[dict] Dictionary containing the information required to describe the state of the PRNG

### Parallel generation

---

`advance(delta)`

Advance the underlying RNG as-if delta draws have occurred.

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`jumped([jumps])`

Returns a new bit generator with the state jumped.

---

method

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```
random.PCG64DXSM.advance(delta)
```

Advance the underlying RNG as-if delta draws have occurred.

#### Parameters

##### **delta**

[integer, positive] Number of draws to advance the RNG. Must be less than the size state variable in the underlying RNG.

#### Returns

##### **self**

[PCG64] RNG advanced delta steps

#### Notes

Advancing a RNG updates the underlying RNG state as-if a given number of calls to the underlying RNG have been made. In general there is not a one-to-one relationship between the number output random values from a particular distribution and the number of draws from the core RNG. This occurs for two reasons:

- The random values are simulated using a rejection-based method and so, on average, more than one value from the underlying RNG is required to generate a single draw.
- The number of bits required to generate a simulated value differs from the number of bits generated by the underlying RNG. For example, two 16-bit integer values can be simulated from a single draw of a 32-bit RNG.

Advancing the RNG state resets any pre-computed random numbers. This is required to ensure exact reproducibility.

#### method

```
random.PCG64DXSM.jumped(jumps=1)
```

Returns a new bit generator with the state jumped.

Jumps the state as-if jumps \* 210306068529402873165736369884012333109 random numbers have been generated.

#### Parameters

##### **jumps**

[integer, positive] Number of times to jump the state of the bit generator returned

#### Returns

##### **bit\_generator**

[PCG64DXSM] New instance of generator jumped iter times

## Notes

The step size is phi-1 when multiplied by 2\*\*128 where phi is the golden ratio.

## Extending

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<code>cffi</code>	CFFI interface
<code>ctypes</code>	ctypes interface

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attribute

`random.PCG64DXSM.cffi`

CFFI interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing CFFI wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

attribute

`random.PCG64DXSM.ctypes`

ctypes interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing ctypes wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

## Philox Counter-based RNG

```
class numpy.random.Philox(seed=None, counter=None, key=None)
```

Container for the Philox (4x64) pseudo-random number generator.

### Parameters

#### seed

[{None, int, array\_like[ints]}, optional] A seed to initialize the `BitGenerator`. If None, then fresh, unpredictable entropy will be pulled from the OS. If an int or array\_like[ints] is passed, then it will be passed to `SeedSequence` to derive the initial `BitGenerator` state. One may also pass in a `SeedSequence` instance.

#### counter

[{None, int, array\_like}, optional] Counter to use in the Philox state. Can be either a Python int (long in 2.x) in [0, 2\*\*256) or a 4-element uint64 array. If not provided, the RNG is initialized at 0.

#### key

[{None, int, array\_like}, optional] Key to use in the Philox state. Unlike `seed`, the value in `key` is directly set. Can be either a Python int in [0, 2\*\*128) or a 2-element uint64 array. `key` and `seed` cannot both be used.

## Notes

Philox is a 64-bit PRNG that uses a counter-based design based on weaker (and faster) versions of cryptographic functions [1]. Instances using different values of the key produce independent sequences. Philox has a period of  $2^{256} - 1$  and supports arbitrary advancing and jumping the sequence in increments of  $2^{128}$ . These features allow multiple non-overlapping sequences to be generated.

`Philox` provides a capsule containing function pointers that produce doubles, and unsigned 32 and 64-bit integers. These are not directly consumable in Python and must be consumed by a `Generator` or similar object that supports low-level access.

### State and Seeding

The `Philox` state vector consists of a 256-bit value encoded as a 4-element uint64 array and a 128-bit value encoded as a 2-element uint64 array. The former is a counter which is incremented by 1 for every 4 64-bit randoms produced. The second is a key which determines the sequence produced. Using different keys produces independent sequences.

The input `seed` is processed by `SeedSequence` to generate the key. The counter is set to 0.

Alternately, one can omit the `seed` parameter and set the `key` and `counter` directly.

### Parallel Features

The preferred way to use a `BitGenerator` in parallel applications is to use the `SeedSequence.spawn` method to obtain entropy values, and to use these to generate new `BitGenerators`:

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, Philox, SeedSequence
>>> sg = SeedSequence(1234)
>>> rg = [Generator(Philox(s)) for s in sg.spawn(10)]
```

`Philox` can be used in parallel applications by calling the `jumped` method to advance the state as-if  $2^{128}$  random numbers have been generated. Alternatively, `advance` can be used to advance the counter for any positive step

in  $[0, 2^{256}]$ . When using `jumped`, all generators should be chained to ensure that the segments come from the same sequence.

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, Philox
>>> bit_generator = Philox(1234)
>>> rg = []
>>> for _ in range(10):
...     rg.append(Generator(bit_generator))
...     bit_generator = bit_generator.jumped()
```

Alternatively, `Philox` can be used in parallel applications by using a sequence of distinct keys where each instance uses different key.

```
>>> key = 2**96 + 2**33 + 2**17 + 2**9
>>> rg = [Generator(Philox(key=key+i)) for i in range(10)]
```

## Compatibility Guarantee

`Philox` makes a guarantee that a fixed `seed` will always produce the same random integer stream.

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.random import Generator, Philox
>>> rg = Generator(Philox(1234))
>>> rg.standard_normal()
0.123 # random
```

## Attributes

### lock: `threading.Lock`

Lock instance that is shared so that the same bit generator can be used in multiple Generators without corrupting the state. Code that generates values from a bit generator should hold the bit generator's lock.

## State

<code>state</code>	Get or set the PRNG state
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attribute	
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<code>random.Philox.state</code>	Get or set the PRNG state
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<b>Returns</b>	
<hr/>	
<b>state</b>	
[dict] Dictionary containing the information required to describe the state of the PRNG	

## Parallel generation

<code>advance(delta)</code>	Advance the underlying RNG as-if delta draws have occurred.
<code>jumped([jumps])</code>	Returns a new bit generator with the state jumped

method

`random.Philox.advance(delta)`

Advance the underlying RNG as-if delta draws have occurred.

### Parameters

#### **delta**

[integer, positive] Number of draws to advance the RNG. Must be less than the size state variable in the underlying RNG.

### Returns

#### **self**

[Philox] RNG advanced delta steps

## Notes

Advancing a RNG updates the underlying RNG state as-if a given number of calls to the underlying RNG have been made. In general there is not a one-to-one relationship between the number output random values from a particular distribution and the number of draws from the core RNG. This occurs for two reasons:

- The random values are simulated using a rejection-based method and so, on average, more than one value from the underlying RNG is required to generate a single draw.
- The number of bits required to generate a simulated value differs from the number of bits generated by the underlying RNG. For example, two 16-bit integer values can be simulated from a single draw of a 32-bit RNG.

Advancing the RNG state resets any pre-computed random numbers. This is required to ensure exact reproducibility.

method

`random.Philox.jumped(jumps=1)`

Returns a new bit generator with the state jumped

The state of the returned bit generator is jumped as-if  $(2^{128}) * \text{jumps}$  random numbers have been generated.

### Parameters

#### **jumps**

[integer, positive] Number of times to jump the state of the bit generator returned

### Returns

#### **bit\_generator**

[Philox] New instance of generator jumped iter times

## Extending

<code>cffi</code>	CFFI interface
<code>ctypes</code>	ctypes interface

attribute

`random.Philox.cffi`

CFFI interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing CFFI wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

attribute

`random.Philox.ctypes`

ctypes interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing ctypes wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

## SFC64 Small Fast Chaotic PRNG

```
class numpy.random.SFC64(seed=None)
```

BitGenerator for Chris Doty-Humphrey's Small Fast Chaotic PRNG.

### Parameters

#### seed

[{None, int, array\_like[ints], SeedSequence}, optional] A seed to initialize the *BitGenerator*. If None, then fresh, unpredictable entropy will be pulled from the OS. If an int or array\_like[ints] is passed, then it will be passed to *SeedSequence* to derive the initial *BitGenerator* state. One may also pass in a *SeedSequence* instance.

### Notes

SFC64 is a 256-bit implementation of Chris Doty-Humphrey's Small Fast Chaotic PRNG ([1]). SFC64 has a few different cycles that one might be on, depending on the seed; the expected period will be about  $2^{255}$  ([2]). SFC64 incorporates a 64-bit counter which means that the absolute minimum cycle length is  $2^{64}$  and that distinct seeds will not run into each other for at least  $2^{64}$  iterations.

SFC64 provides a capsule containing function pointers that produce doubles, and unsigned 32 and 64-bit integers. These are not directly consumable in Python and must be consumed by a Generator or similar object that supports low-level access.

### State and Seeding

The SFC64 state vector consists of 4 unsigned 64-bit values. The last is a 64-bit counter that increments by 1 each iteration.

The input seed is processed by *SeedSequence* to generate the first 3 values, then the SFC64 algorithm is iterated a small number of times to mix.

### Compatibility Guarantee

SFC64 makes a guarantee that a fixed seed will always produce the same random integer stream.

## References

[1], [2]

## State

<code>state</code>	Get or set the PRNG state
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attribute	
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<code>random.SFC64.state</code>	Get or set the PRNG state
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<b>Returns</b>	
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<b>state</b>	
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[dict] Dictionary containing the information required to describe the state of the PRNG	

## Extending

<code>cffi</code>	CFFI interface
<code>ctypes</code>	ctypes interface

attribute

`random.SFC64.cffi`

CFFI interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing CFFI wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

attribute

`random.SFC64.ctypes`

ctypes interface

### Returns

#### interface

[namedtuple] Named tuple containing ctypes wrapper

- state\_address - Memory address of the state struct
- state - pointer to the state struct
- next\_uint64 - function pointer to produce 64 bit integers
- next\_uint32 - function pointer to produce 32 bit integers
- next\_double - function pointer to produce doubles
- bitgen - pointer to the bit generator struct

## Seeding and Entropy

A BitGenerator provides a stream of random values. In order to generate reproducible streams, BitGenerators support setting their initial state via a seed. All of the provided BitGenerators will take an arbitrary-sized non-negative integer, or a list of such integers, as a seed. BitGenerators need to take those inputs and process them into a high-quality internal state for the BitGenerator. All of the BitGenerators in numpy delegate that task to `SeedSequence`, which uses hashing techniques to ensure that even low-quality seeds generate high-quality initial states.

```
from numpy.random import PCG64
bg = PCG64(12345678903141592653589793)
```

`SeedSequence` is designed to be convenient for implementing best practices. We recommend that a stochastic program defaults to using entropy from the OS so that each run is different. The program should print out or log that entropy. In order to reproduce a past value, the program should allow the user to provide that value through some mechanism, a command-line argument is common, so that the user can then re-enter that entropy to reproduce the result. `SeedSequence` can take care of everything except for communicating with the user, which is up to you.

```
from numpy.random import PCG64, SeedSequence

# Get the user's seed somehow, maybe through `argparse`.
# If the user did not provide a seed, it should return `None`.
seed = get_user_seed()
ss = SeedSequence(seed)
print('seed = {}'.format(ss.entropy))
bg = PCG64(ss)
```

We default to using a 128-bit integer using entropy gathered from the OS. This is a good amount of entropy to initialize all of the generators that we have in numpy. We do not recommend using small seeds below 32 bits for general use. Using just a small set of seeds to instantiate larger state spaces means that there are some initial states that are impossible to reach. This creates some biases if everyone uses such values.

There will not be anything *wrong* with the results, per se; even a seed of 0 is perfectly fine thanks to the processing that `SeedSequence` does. If you just need *some* fixed value for unit tests or debugging, feel free to use whatever seed you like. But if you want to make inferences from the results or publish them, drawing from a larger set of seeds is good practice.

If you need to generate a good seed “offline”, then `SeedSequence().entropy` or using `secrets.randbits(128)` from the standard library are both convenient ways.

If you need to run several stochastic simulations in parallel, best practice is to construct a random generator instance for each simulation. To make sure that the random streams have distinct initial states, you can use the `spawn` method of `SeedSequence`. For instance, here we construct a list of 12 instances:

```
from numpy.random import PCG64, SeedSequence

# High quality initial entropy
entropy = 0x87351080e25cb0fad77a44a3be03b491
base_seq = SeedSequence(entropy)
child_seqs = base_seq.spawn(12)      # a list of 12 SeedSequences
generators = [PCG64(seq) for seq in child_seqs]
```

An alternative way is to use the fact that a `SeedSequence` can be initialized by a tuple of elements. Here we use a base entropy value and an integer `worker_id`

```
from numpy.random import PCG64, SeedSequence
```

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```
# High quality initial entropy
entropy = 0x87351080e25cb0fad77a44a3be03b491
sequences = [SeedSequence((entropy, worker_id)) for worker_id in range(12)]
generators = [PCG64(seq) for seq in sequences]
```

Note that the sequences produced by the latter method will be distinct from those constructed via `spawn`.

`SeedSequence([entropy, spawn_key, pool_size])`

SeedSequence mixes sources of entropy in a reproducible way to set the initial state for independent and very probably non-overlapping BitGenerators.

`class numpy.random.SeedSequence(entropy=None, *, spawn_key=(), pool_size=4)`

SeedSequence mixes sources of entropy in a reproducible way to set the initial state for independent and very probably non-overlapping BitGenerators.

Once the SeedSequence is instantiated, you can call the `generate_state` method to get an appropriately sized seed. Calling `spawn(n)` will create n SeedSequences that can be used to seed independent BitGenerators, i.e. for different threads.

### Parameters

#### entropy

[{None, int, sequence[int]}, optional] The entropy for creating a `SeedSequence`.

#### spawn\_key

[{()}, sequence[int]}, optional] A third source of entropy, used internally when calling `SeedSequence.spawn`

#### pool\_size

[{int}, optional] Size of the pooled entropy to store. Default is 4 to give a 128-bit entropy pool. 8 (for 256 bits) is another reasonable choice if working with larger PRNGs, but there is very little to be gained by selecting another value.

#### n\_children\_spawned

[{int}, optional] The number of children already spawned. Only pass this if reconstructing a `SeedSequence` from a serialized form.

### Notes

Best practice for achieving reproducible bit streams is to use the default None for the initial entropy, and then use `SeedSequence.entropy` to log/pickle the entropy for reproducibility:

```
>>> sq1 = np.random.SeedSequence()
>>> sq1.entropy
243799254704924441050048792905230269161 # random
>>> sq2 = np.random.SeedSequence(sq1.entropy)
>>> np.all(sq1.generate_state(10) == sq2.generate_state(10))
True
```

### Attributes

#### entropy

**n\_children\_spawned**  
**pool**  
**pool\_size**  
**spawn\_key**  
**state**

## Methods

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<code>generate_state(n_words[, dtype])</code>	Return the requested number of words for PRNG seeding.
<code>spawn(n_children)</code>	Spawn a number of child <i>SeedSequence</i> s by extending the <code>spawn_key</code> .

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method

`random.SeedSequence.generate_state (n_words, dtype=np.uint32)`

Return the requested number of words for PRNG seeding.

A BitGenerator should call this method in its constructor with an appropriate `n_words` parameter to properly seed itself.

### Parameters

**n\_words**

[int]

**dtype**

[np.uint32 or np.uint64, optional] The size of each word. This should only be either `uint32` or `uint64`. Strings ('`uint32`', '`uint64`') are fine. Note that requesting `uint64` will draw twice as many bits as `uint32` for the same `n_words`. This is a convenience for *BitGenerator*'s that express their states as '`uint64` arrays.

### Returns

**state**

[`uint32` or `uint64` array, shape=(`n_words`,)]

method

`random.SeedSequence.spawn (n_children)`

Spawn a number of child *SeedSequence*s by extending the `spawn_key`.

### Parameters

**n\_children**

[int]

### Returns

**seqs**[list of *SeedSequence*s]

## Upgrading PCG64 with PCG64DXSM

Uses of the *PCG64 BitGenerator* in a massively-parallel context have been shown to have statistical weaknesses that were not apparent at the first release in numpy 1.17. Most users will never observe this weakness and are safe to continue to use *PCG64*. We have introduced a new *PCG64DXSM BitGenerator* that will eventually become the new default *BitGenerator* implementation used by *default\_rng* in future releases. *PCG64DXSM* solves the statistical weakness while preserving the performance and the features of *PCG64*.

### Does this affect me?

If you

1. only use a single *Generator* instance,
2. only use *RandomState* or the functions in *numpy.random*,
3. only use the *PCG64.jumped* method to generate parallel streams,
4. explicitly use a *BitGenerator* other than *PCG64*,

then this weakness does not affect you at all. Carry on.

If you use moderate numbers of parallel streams created with *default\_rng* or *SeedSequence.spawn*, in the 1000s, then the chance of observing this weakness is negligibly small. You can continue to use *PCG64* comfortably.

If you use very large numbers of parallel streams, in the millions, and draw large amounts of numbers from each, then the chance of observing this weakness can become non-negligible, if still small. An example of such a use case would be a very large distributed reinforcement learning problem with millions of long Monte Carlo playouts each generating billions of random number draws. Such use cases should consider using *PCG64DXSM* explicitly or another modern *BitGenerator* like *SFC64* or *Philox*, but it is unlikely that any old results you may have calculated are invalid. In any case, the weakness is a kind of *Birthday Paradox* collision. That is, a single pair of parallel streams out of the millions, considered together, might fail a stringent set of statistical tests of randomness. The remaining millions of streams would all be perfectly fine, and the effect of the bad pair in the whole calculation is very likely to be swamped by the remaining streams in most applications.

### Technical Details

Like many PRNG algorithms, *PCG64* is constructed from a transition function, which advances a 128-bit state, and an output function, that mixes the 128-bit state into a 64-bit integer to be output. One of the guiding design principles of the PCG family of PRNGs is to balance the computational cost (and pseudorandomness strength) between the transition function and the output function. The transition function is a 128-bit linear congruential generator (LCG), which consists of multiplying the 128-bit state with a fixed multiplication constant and then adding a user-chosen increment, in 128-bit modular arithmetic. LCGs are well-analyzed PRNGs with known weaknesses, though 128-bit LCGs are large enough to pass stringent statistical tests on their own, with only the trivial output function. The output function of *PCG64* is intended to patch up some of those known weaknesses by doing “just enough” scrambling of the bits to assist in the statistical properties without adding too much computational cost.

One of these known weaknesses is that advancing the state of the LCG by steps numbering a power of two (`bg.advance(2 ** N)`) will leave the lower  $N$  bits identical to the state that was just left. For a single stream drawn from sequentially, this is of little consequence. The remaining  $128 - N$  bits provide plenty of pseudorandomness that will be mixed in for any practical  $N$  that can be observed in a single stream, which is why one does not need to worry about this if you only use a single stream in your application. Similarly, the *PCG64.jumped* method uses a carefully chosen number of steps to avoid creating these collisions. However, once you start creating “randomly-initialized” parallel streams, either using OS entropy by calling *default\_rng* repeatedly or using *SeedSequence.spawn*, then we need to consider

how many lower bits need to “collide” in order to create a bad pair of streams, and then evaluate the probability of creating such a collision. [Empirically](#), it has been determined that if one shares the lower 58 bits of state and shares an increment, then the pair of streams, when interleaved, will fail [PractRand](#) in a reasonable amount of time, after drawing a few gigabytes of data. Following the standard Birthday Paradox calculations for a collision of 58 bits, we can see that we can create  $2^{29}$ , or about half a billion, streams which is when the probability of such a collision becomes high. Half a billion streams is quite high, and the amount of data each stream needs to draw before the statistical correlations become apparent to even the strict [PractRand](#) tests is in the gigabytes. But this is on the horizon for very large applications like distributed reinforcement learning. There are reasons to expect that even in these applications a collision probably will not have a practical effect in the total result, since the statistical problem is constrained to just the colliding pair.

Now, let us consider the case when the increment is not constrained to be the same. Our implementation of [PCG64](#) seeds both the state and the increment; that is, two calls to [default\\_rng](#) (almost certainly) have different states and increments. Upon our first release, we believed that having the seeded increment would provide a certain amount of extra protection, that one would have to be “close” in both the state space and increment space in order to observe correlations ([PractRand](#) failures) in a pair of streams. If that were true, then the “bottleneck” for collisions would be the 128-bit entropy pool size inside of [SeedSequence](#) (and 128-bit collisions are in the “preposterously unlikely” category). Unfortunately, this is not true.

One of the known properties of an LCG is that different increments create *distinct* streams, but with a known relationship. Each LCG has an orbit that traverses all  $2^{128}$  different 128-bit states. Two LCGs with different increments are related in that one can “rotate” the orbit of the first LCG (advance it by a number of steps that we can compute from the two increments) such that then both LCGs will always then have the same state, up to an additive constant and maybe an inversion of the bits. If you then iterate both streams in lockstep, then the states will *always* remain related by that same additive constant (and the inversion, if present). Recall that [PCG64](#) is constructed from both a transition function (the LCG) and an output function. It was expected that the scrambling effect of the output function would have been strong enough to make the distinct streams practically independent (i.e. “passing the [PractRand](#) tests”) unless the two increments were pathologically related to each other (e.g. 1 and 3). The output function XSL-RR of the then-standard PCG algorithm that we implemented in [PCG64](#) turns out to be too weak to cover up for the 58-bit collision of the underlying LCG that we described above. For any given pair of increments, the size of the “colliding” space of states is the same, so for this weakness, the extra distinctness provided by the increments does not translate into extra protection from statistical correlations that [PractRand](#) can detect.

Fortunately, strengthening the output function is able to correct this weakness and *does* turn the extra distinctness provided by differing increments into additional protection from these low-bit collisions. To the [PCG](#) author’s credit, she had developed a stronger output function in response to related discussions during the long birth of the new [BitGenerator](#) system. We NumPy developers chose to be “conservative” and use the XSL-RR variant that had undergone a longer period of testing at that time. The DXSM output function adopts a “xorshift-multiply” construction used in strong integer hashes that has much better avalanche properties than the XSL-RR output function. While there are “pathological” pairs of increments that induce “bad” additive constants that relate the two streams, the vast majority of pairs induce “good” additive constants that make the merely-distinct streams of LCG states into practically-independent output streams. Indeed, now the claim we once made about [PCG64](#) is actually true of [PCG64DXSM](#): collisions are possible, but both streams have to simultaneously be both “close” in the 128 bit state space *and* “close” in the 127-bit increment space, so that would be less likely than the negligible chance of colliding in the 128-bit internal [SeedSequence](#) pool. The DXSM output function is more computationally intensive than XSL-RR, but some optimizations in the LCG more than make up for the performance hit on most machines, so [PCG64DXSM](#) is a good, safe upgrade. There are, of course, an infinite number of stronger output functions that one could consider, but most will have a greater computational cost, and the DXSM output function has now received many CPU cycles of testing via [PractRand](#) at this time.

## 5.22.4 Features

### Parallel Random Number Generation

There are three strategies implemented that can be used to produce repeatable pseudo-random numbers across multiple processes (local or distributed).

#### SeedSequence spawning

`SeedSequence` implements an algorithm to process a user-provided seed, typically as an integer of some size, and to convert it into an initial state for a `BitGenerator`. It uses hashing techniques to ensure that low-quality seeds are turned into high quality initial states (at least, with very high probability).

For example, `MT19937` has a state consisting of 624 `uint32` integers. A naive way to take a 32-bit integer seed would be to just set the last element of the state to the 32-bit seed and leave the rest 0s. This is a valid state for `MT19937`, but not a good one. The Mersenne Twister algorithm suffers if there are too many 0s. Similarly, two adjacent 32-bit integer seeds (i.e. 12345 and 12346) would produce very similar streams.

`SeedSequence` avoids these problems by using successions of integer hashes with good avalanche properties to ensure that flipping any bit in the input has about a 50% chance of flipping any bit in the output. Two input seeds that are very close to each other will produce initial states that are very far from each other (with very high probability). It is also constructed in such a way that you can provide arbitrary-sized integers or lists of integers. `SeedSequence` will take all of the bits that you provide and mix them together to produce however many bits the consuming `BitGenerator` needs to initialize itself.

These properties together mean that we can safely mix together the usual user-provided seed with simple incrementing counters to get `BitGenerator` states that are (to very high probability) independent of each other. We can wrap this together into an API that is easy to use and difficult to misuse.

```
from numpy.random import SeedSequence, default_rng

ss = SeedSequence(12345)

# Spawn off 10 child SeedSequences to pass to child processes.
child_seeds = ss.spawn(10)
streams = [default_rng(s) for s in child_seeds]
```

Child `SeedSequence` objects can also spawn to make grandchildren, and so on. Each `SeedSequence` has its position in the tree of spawned `SeedSequence` objects mixed in with the user-provided seed to generate independent (with very high probability) streams.

```
grandchildren = child_seeds[0].spawn(4)
grand_streams = [default_rng(s) for s in grandchildren]
```

This feature lets you make local decisions about when and how to split up streams without coordination between processes. You do not have to preallocate space to avoid overlapping or request streams from a common global service. This general “tree-hashing” scheme is not unique to `numpy` but not yet widespread. Python has increasingly-flexible mechanisms for parallelization available, and this scheme fits in very well with that kind of use.

Using this scheme, an upper bound on the probability of a collision can be estimated if one knows the number of streams that you derive. `SeedSequence` hashes its inputs, both the seed and the spawn-tree-path, down to a 128-bit pool by default. The probability that there is a collision in that pool, pessimistically-estimated <sup>(1)</sup>, will be about  $n^2 * 2^{-128}$  where  $n$  is the number of streams spawned. If a program uses an aggressive million streams, about  $2^{20}$ , then the probability that at least one pair of them are identical is about  $2^{-88}$ , which is in solidly-ignorable territory <sup>(2)</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> The algorithm is carefully designed to eliminate a number of possible ways to collide. For example, if one only does one level of spawning, it is guaranteed that all states will be unique. But it's easier to estimate the naive upper bound on a napkin and take comfort knowing that the probability is actually lower.

<sup>2</sup> In this calculation, we can mostly ignore the amount of numbers drawn from each stream. See [Upgrading PCG64 with PCG64DXSM](#) for the

## Independent Streams

`Philox` is a counter-based RNG based which generates values by encrypting an incrementing counter using weak cryptographic primitives. The seed determines the key that is used for the encryption. Unique keys create unique, independent streams. `Philox` lets you bypass the seeding algorithm to directly set the 128-bit key. Similar, but different, keys will still create independent streams.

```
import secrets
from numpy.random import Philox

# 128-bit number as a seed
root_seed = secrets.getrandbits(128)
streams = [Philox(key=root_seed + stream_id) for stream_id in range(10)]
```

This scheme does require that you avoid reusing stream IDs. This may require coordination between the parallel processes.

## Jumping the BitGenerator state

`jumped` advances the state of the BitGenerator *as-if* a large number of random numbers have been drawn, and returns a new instance with this state. The specific number of draws varies by BitGenerator, and ranges from  $2^{64}$  to  $2^{128}$ . Additionally, the *as-if* draws also depend on the size of the default random number produced by the specific BitGenerator. The BitGenerators that support `jumped`, along with the period of the BitGenerator, the size of the jump and the bits in the default unsigned random are listed below.

BitGenerator	Period	Jump Size	Bits per Draw
MT19937	$2^{19937} - 1$	$2^{128}$	32
PCG64	$2^{128}$	$2^{127}$ ( <sup>3</sup> )	64
PCG64DXSM	$2^{128}$	$2^{127}$ ( <sup>3</sup> )	64
Philox	$2^{256}$	$2^{128}$	64

`jumped` can be used to produce long blocks which should be long enough to not overlap.

```
import secrets
from numpy.random import PCG64

seed = secrets.getrandbits(128)
blocked_rng = []
rng = PCG64(seed)
for i in range(10):
    blocked_rng.append(rng.jumped(i))
```

When using `jumped`, one does have to take care not to jump to a stream that was already used. In the above example, one could not later use `blocked_rng[0].jumped()` as it would overlap with `blocked_rng[1]`. Like with the independent streams, if the main process here wants to split off 10 more streams by jumping, then it needs to start with `range(10, 20)`, otherwise it would recreate the same streams. On the other hand, if you carefully construct the streams, then you are guaranteed to have streams that do not overlap.

technical details about `PCG64`. The other PRNGs we provide have some extra protection built in that avoids overlaps if the `SeedSequence` pools differ in the slightest bit. `PCG64DXSM` has  $2^{127}$  separate cycles determined by the seed in addition to the position in the  $2^{128}$  long period for each cycle, so one has to both get on or near the same cycle *and* seed a nearby position in the cycle. `Philox` has completely independent cycles determined by the seed. `SFC64` incorporates a 64-bit counter so every unique seed is at least  $2^{64}$  iterations away from any other seed. And finally, `MT19937` has just an unimaginably huge period. Getting a collision internal to `SeedSequence` is the way a failure would be observed.

<sup>3</sup> The jump size is  $(\phi - 1) * 2^{128}$  where  $\phi$  is the golden ratio. As the jumps wrap around the period, the actual distances between neighboring streams will slowly grow smaller than the jump size, but using the golden ratio this way is a classic method of constructing a low-discrepancy sequence that spreads out the states around the period optimally. You will not be able to jump enough to make those distances small enough to overlap in your lifetime.

## Multithreaded Generation

The four core distributions (`random`, `standard_normal`, `standard_exponential`, and `standard_gamma`) all allow existing arrays to be filled using the `out` keyword argument. Existing arrays need to be contiguous and well-behaved (writable and aligned). Under normal circumstances, arrays created using the common constructors such as `numpy.empty` will satisfy these requirements.

This example makes use of Python 3 `concurrent.futures` to fill an array using multiple threads. Threads are long-lived so that repeated calls do not require any additional overheads from thread creation.

The random numbers generated are reproducible in the sense that the same seed will produce the same outputs, given that the number of threads does not change.

```
from numpy.random import default_rng, SeedSequence
import multiprocessing
import concurrent.futures
import numpy as np

class MultithreadedRNG:
    def __init__(self, n, seed=None, threads=None):
        if threads is None:
            threads = multiprocessing.cpu_count()
        self.threads = threads

        seq = SeedSequence(seed)
        self._random_generators = [default_rng(s)
                                   for s in seq.spawn(threads)]

        self.n = n
        self.executor = concurrent.futures.ThreadPoolExecutor(threads)
        self.values = np.empty(n)
        self.step = np.ceil(n / threads).astype(np.int_)

    def fill(self):
        def _fill(random_state, out, first, last):
            random_state.standard_normal(out=out[first:last])

        futures = {}
        for i in range(self.threads):
            args = (_fill,
                    self._random_generators[i],
                    self.values,
                    i * self.step,
                    (i + 1) * self.step)
            futures[self.executor.submit(*args)] = i
        concurrent.futures.wait(futures)

    def __del__(self):
        self.executor.shutdown(False)
```

The multithreaded random number generator can be used to fill an array. The `values` attribute shows the zero-value before the fill and the random value after.

```
In [2]: mrng = MultithreadedRNG(10000000, seed=12345)
...: print(mrng.values[-1])
Out[2]: 0.0

In [3]: mrng.fill()
```

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```
....: print(mrng.values[-1])
Out[3]: 2.4545724517479104
```

The time required to produce using multiple threads can be compared to the time required to generate using a single thread.

```
In [4]: print(mrng.threads)
....: %timeit mrng.fill()

Out[4]: 4
....: 32.8 ms ± 2.71 ms per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 10 loops each)
```

The single threaded call directly uses the BitGenerator.

```
In [5]: values = np.empty(10000000)
....: rg = default_rng()
....: %timeit rg.standard_normal(out=values)

Out[5]: 99.6 ms ± 222 µs per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 10 loops each)
```

The gains are substantial and the scaling is reasonable even for arrays that are only moderately large. The gains are even larger when compared to a call that does not use an existing array due to array creation overhead.

```
In [6]: rg = default_rng()
....: %timeit rg.standard_normal(10000000)

Out[6]: 125 ms ± 309 µs per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 10 loops each)
```

Note that if *threads* is not set by the user, it will be determined by *multiprocessing.cpu\_count()*.

```
In [7]: # simulate the behavior for `threads=None`, if the machine had only one thread
....: mrng = MultithreadedRNG(10000000, seed=12345, threads=1)
....: print(mrng.values[-1])
Out[7]: 1.1800150052158556
```

## What's New or Different

**Warning:** The Box-Muller method used to produce NumPy's normals is no longer available in *Generator*. It is not possible to reproduce the exact random values using *Generator* for the normal distribution or any other distribution that relies on the normal such as the *Generator.gamma* or *Generator.standard\_t*. If you require bitwise backward compatible streams, use *RandomState*, i.e., *RandomState.gamma* or *RandomState.standard\_t*.

Quick comparison of legacy *mtrand* to the new *Generator*

Feature	Older Equivalent	Notes
<code>Generator</code>	<code>RandomState</code>	<code>Generator</code> requires a stream source, called a <code>BitGenerator</code> . A number of these are provided. <code>RandomState</code> uses the Mersenne Twister <a href="#">MT19937</a> by default, but can also be instantiated with any <code>BitGenerator</code> .
<code>random</code>	<code>random_sample</code> <code>rand</code>	Access the values in a <code>BitGenerator</code> , convert them to <code>float64</code> in the interval <code>[0.0, "1.0")</code> . In addition to the <code>size</code> kwarg, now supports <code>dtype='d'</code> or <code>dtype='f'</code> , and an <code>out</code> kwarg to fill a user-supplied array. Many other distributions are also supported.
<code>integer</code>	<code>randint</code> , <code>random_integers</code>	Use the <code>endpoint</code> kwarg to adjust the inclusion or exclusion of the high interval endpoint

And in more detail:

- Simulate from the complex normal distribution (`complex_normal`)
- The normal, exponential and gamma generators use 256-step Ziggurat methods which are 2-10 times faster than NumPy's default implementation in `standard_normal`, `standard_exponential` or `standard_gamma`.

```
In [1]: from numpy.random import Generator, PCG64

In [2]: import numpy.random

In [3]: rng = Generator(PCG64())

In [4]: %timeit -n 1 rng.standard_normal(100000)
...: %timeit -n 1 numpy.random.standard_normal(100000)
...:
1.11 ms +- 23.8 us per loop (mean +- std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
1.97 ms +- 23.8 us per loop (mean +- std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
```

```
In [5]: %timeit -n 1 rng.standard_exponential(100000)
...: %timeit -n 1 numpy.random.standard_exponential(100000)
...:
603 us +- 11.4 us per loop (mean +- std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
1.45 ms +- 15.6 us per loop (mean +- std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
```

```
In [6]: %timeit -n 1 rng.standard_gamma(3.0, 100000)
...: %timeit -n 1 numpy.random.standard_gamma(3.0, 100000)
...:
2.16 ms +- 22.8 us per loop (mean +- std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
4.07 ms +- 15.4 us per loop (mean +- std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
```

- `integers` is now the canonical way to generate integer random numbers from a discrete uniform distribution. The `rand` and `randn` methods are only available through the legacy `RandomState`. This replaces both `randint` and the deprecated `random_integers`.
- The Box-Muller method used to produce NumPy's normals is no longer available.
- All bit generators can produce doubles, uint64s and uint32s via CTypes (`ctypes`) and CFFI (`cffi`). This allows these bit generators to be used in numba.
- The bit generators can be used in downstream projects via Cython.
- Optional `dtype` argument that accepts `np.float32` or `np.float64` to produce either single or double precision uniform random variables for select distributions

- Uniforms (`random` and `integers`)
- Normals (`standard_normal`)
- Standard Gammas (`standard_gamma`)
- Standard Exponentials (`standard_exponential`)

```
In [7]: rng = Generator(PCG64(0))

In [8]: rng.random(3, dtype='d')
Out[8]: array([0.63696169, 0.26978671, 0.04097352])

In [9]: rng.random(3, dtype='f')
Out[9]: array([0.07524014, 0.01652759, 0.17526728], dtype=float32)
```

- Optional `out` argument that allows existing arrays to be filled for select distributions
  - Uniforms (`random`)
  - Normals (`standard_normal`)
  - Standard Gammas (`standard_gamma`)
  - Standard Exponentials (`standard_exponential`)

This allows multithreading to fill large arrays in chunks using suitable BitGenerators in parallel.

```
In [10]: existing = np.zeros(4)

In [11]: rng.random(out=existing[:2])
Out[11]: array([0.91275558, 0.60663578])

In [12]: print(existing)
[0.91275558 0.60663578 0.          ]
```

- Optional `axis` argument for methods like `choice`, `permutation` and `shuffle` that controls which axis an operation is performed over for multi-dimensional arrays.

```
In [13]: rng = Generator(PCG64(123456789))

In [14]: a = np.arange(12).reshape((3, 4))

In [15]: a
Out[15]:
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])

In [16]: rng.choice(a, axis=1, size=5)
Out[16]:
array([[ 3,  0,  2,  3,  1],
       [ 7,  4,  6,  7,  5],
       [11,  8, 10, 11,  9]])

In [17]: rng.shuffle(a, axis=1)           # Shuffle in-place

In [18]: a
Out[18]:
array([[ 3,  1,  2,  0],
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[ 7, 5, 6, 4], [11, 9, 10, 8]])
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## Performance

### Recommendation

The recommended generator for general use is [PCG64](#) or its upgraded variant [PCG64DXSM](#) for heavily-parallel use cases. They are statistically high quality, full-featured, and fast on most platforms, but somewhat slow when compiled for 32-bit processes. See [Upgrading PCG64 with PCG64DXSM](#) for details on when heavy parallelism would indicate using [PCG64DXSM](#).

[Philox](#) is fairly slow, but its statistical properties have very high quality, and it is easy to get an assuredly-independent stream by using unique keys. If that is the style you wish to use for parallel streams, or you are porting from another system that uses that style, then [Philox](#) is your choice.

[SFC64](#) is statistically high quality and very fast. However, it lacks jumpability. If you are not using that capability and want lots of speed, even on 32-bit processes, this is your choice.

[MT19937](#) fails some statistical tests and is not especially fast compared to modern PRNGs. For these reasons, we mostly do not recommend using it on its own, only through the legacy [RandomState](#) for reproducing old results. That said, it has a very long history as a default in many systems.

### Timings

The timings below are the time in ns to produce 1 random value from a specific distribution. The original [MT19937](#) generator is much slower since it requires 2 32-bit values to equal the output of the faster generators.

Integer performance has a similar ordering.

The pattern is similar for other, more complex generators. The normal performance of the legacy [RandomState](#) generator is much lower than the other since it uses the Box-Muller transform rather than the Ziggurat method. The performance gap for Exponentials is also large due to the cost of computing the log function to invert the CDF. The column labeled MT19973 uses the same 32-bit generator as [RandomState](#) but produces random variates using [Generator](#).

	MT19937	PCG64	PCG64DXSM	Philox	SFC64	Random-State
32-bit Unsigned Ints	3.3	1.9	2.0	3.3	1.8	3.1
64-bit Unsigned Ints	5.6	3.2	2.9	4.9	2.5	5.5
Uniforms	5.9	3.1	2.9	5.0	2.6	6.0
Normals	13.9	10.8	10.5	12.0	8.3	56.8
Exponentials	9.1	6.0	5.8	8.1	5.4	63.9
Gammals	37.2	30.8	28.9	34.0	27.5	77.0
Binomials	21.3	17.4	17.6	19.3	15.6	21.4
Laplaces	73.2	72.3	76.1	73.0	72.3	82.5
Poissons	111.7	103.4	100.5	109.4	90.7	115.2

The next table presents the performance in percentage relative to values generated by the legacy generator, [RandomState\(MT19937\(\)\)](#). The overall performance was computed using a geometric mean.

	MT19937	PCG64	PCG64DXSM	Philox	SFC64
32-bit Unsigned Ints	96	162	160	96	175
64-bit Unsigned Ints	97	171	188	113	218
Uniforms	102	192	206	121	233
Normals	409	526	541	471	684
Exponentials	701	1071	1101	784	1179
Gammas	207	250	266	227	281
Binomials	100	123	122	111	138
Laplaces	113	114	108	113	114
Poissons	103	111	115	105	127
Overall	159	219	225	174	251

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**Note:** All timings were taken using Linux on an AMD Ryzen 9 3900X processor.

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## Performance on different Operating Systems

Performance differs across platforms due to compiler and hardware availability (e.g., register width) differences. The default bit generator has been chosen to perform well on 64-bit platforms. Performance on 32-bit operating systems is very different.

The values reported are normalized relative to the speed of MT19937 in each table. A value of 100 indicates that the performance matches the MT19937. Higher values indicate improved performance. These values cannot be compared across tables.

### 64-bit Linux

Distribution	MT19937	PCG64	PCG64DXSM	Philox	SFC64
32-bit Unsigned Ints	100	168	166	100	182
64-bit Unsigned Ints	100	176	193	116	224
Uniforms	100	188	202	118	228
Normals	100	128	132	115	167
Exponentials	100	152	157	111	168
Overall	100	161	168	112	192

### 64-bit Windows

The relative performance on 64-bit Linux and 64-bit Windows is broadly similar with the notable exception of the Philox generator.

Distribution	MT19937	PCG64	PCG64DXSM	Philox	SFC64
32-bit Unsigned Ints	100	155	131	29	150
64-bit Unsigned Ints	100	157	143	25	154
Uniforms	100	151	144	24	155
Normals	100	129	128	37	150
Exponentials	100	150	145	28	159
Overall	100	148	138	28	154

## 32-bit Windows

The performance of 64-bit generators on 32-bit Windows is much lower than on 64-bit operating systems due to register width. MT19937, the generator that has been in NumPy since 2005, operates on 32-bit integers.

Distribution	MT19937	PCG64	PCG64DXSM	Philox	SFC64
32-bit Unsigned Ints	100	24	34	14	57
64-bit Unsigned Ints	100	21	32	14	74
Uniforms	100	21	34	16	73
Normals	100	36	57	28	101
Exponentials	100	28	44	20	88
<b>Overall</b>	100	25	39	18	77

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**Note:** Linux timings used Ubuntu 20.04 and GCC 9.3.0. Windows timings were made on Windows 10 using Microsoft C/C++ Optimizing Compiler Version 19 (Visual Studio 2019). All timings were produced on an AMD Ryzen 9 3900X processor.

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## C API for random

New in version 1.19.0.

Access to various distributions below is available via Cython or C-wrapper libraries like CFFI. All the functions accept a `bitgen_t` as their first argument. To access these from Cython or C, you must link with the `npyrandom` library which is part of the NumPy distribution, located in `numpy/random/lib`.

type `bitgen_t`

The `bitgen_t` holds the current state of the BitGenerator and pointers to functions that return standard C types while advancing the state.

```
struct bitgen:
    void *state
    npy_uint64 (*next_uint64)(void *st) nogil
    uint32_t (*next_uint32)(void *st) nogil
    double (*next_double)(void *st) nogil
    npy_uint64 (*next_raw)(void *st) nogil

ctypedef bitgen bitgen_t
```

See [Extending](#) for examples of using these functions.

The functions are named with the following conventions:

- “standard” refers to the reference values for any parameters. For instance “standard\_uniform” means a uniform distribution on the interval 0.0 to 1.0
- “fill” functions will fill the provided `out` with `cnt` values.
- The functions without “standard” in their name require additional parameters to describe the distributions.
- Functions with `inv` in their name are based on the slower inverse method instead of a ziggurat lookup algorithm, which is significantly faster. The non-ziggurat variants are used in corner cases and for legacy compatibility.

double `random_standard_uniform`(`bitgen_t` \*`bitgen_state`)

```
void random_standard_uniform_fill (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_intp cnt, double *out)
double random_standard_exponential (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
void random_standard_exponential_fill (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_intp cnt, double *out)
void random_standard_exponential_inv_fill (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_intp cnt, double *out)
double random_standard_normal (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
void random_standard_normal_fill (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_intp count, double *out)
void random_standard_normal_fill_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_intp count, float *out)
double random_standard_gamma (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double shape)
float random_standard_uniform_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
void random_standard_uniform_fill_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_intp cnt, float *out)
float random_standard_exponential_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
void random_standard_exponential_fill_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_intp cnt, float *out)
void random_standard_exponential_inv_fill_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_intp cnt, float *out)
float random_standard_normal_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
float random_standard_gamma_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, float shape)
double random_normal (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double loc, double scale)
double random_gamma (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double shape, double scale)
float random_gamma_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, float shape, float scale)
double random_exponential (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double scale)
double random_uniform (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double lower, double range)
double random_beta (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double a, double b)
double random_chisquare (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double df)
double random_f (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double dfnum, double dfden)
double random_standard_cauchy (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
double random_pareto (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double a)
double random_weibull (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double a)
double random_power (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double a)
double random_laplace (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double loc, double scale)
double random_gumbel (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double loc, double scale)
double random_logistic (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double loc, double scale)
double random_lognormal (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double mean, double sigma)
```

```

double random_rayleigh(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double mode)

double random_standard_t(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double df)

double random_noncentral_chisquare(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double df, double nonc)

double random_noncentral_f(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double dfnum, double dfden, double nonc)

double random_wald(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double mean, double scale)

double random_vonmises(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double mu, double kappa)

double random_triangular(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double left, double mode, double right)

npy_int64 random_poisson(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double lam)

npy_int64 random_negative_binomial(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double n, double p)

type binomial_t

```

```

typedef struct s_binomial_t {
    int has_binomial; /* !=0: following parameters initialized for binomial */
    double psave;
    RAND_INT_TYPE nsave;
    double r;
    double q;
    double fm;
    RAND_INT_TYPE m;
    double p1;
    double xm;
    double xl;
    double xr;
    double c;
    double lam1;
    double lamr;
    double p2;
    double p3;
    double p4;
} binomial_t;

```

```

npy_int64 random_binomial(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double p, npy_int64 n, binomial_t *binomial)

npy_int64 random_logseries(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double p)

npy_int64 random_geometric_search(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double p)

npy_int64 random_geometric_inversion(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double p)

npy_int64 random_geometric(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double p)

npy_int64 random_zipf(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, double a)

npy_int64 random_hypergeometric(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_int64 good, npy_int64 bad, npy_int64 sample)

npy_uint64 random_interval(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_uint64 max)

void random_multinomial(bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_int64 n, npy_int64 *mnix, double *pix, npy_intp d,
                      binomial_t *binomial)

```

```

int random_multivariate_hypergeometric_count (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_int64 total, size_t
                                              num_colors, npy_int64 *colors, npy_int64 nsample,
                                              size_t num_variates, npy_int64 *variates)

void random_multivariate_hypergeometric_marginals (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_int64 total, size_t
                                                    num_colors, npy_int64 *colors, npy_int64
                                                    nsample, size_t num_variates, npy_int64
                                                    *variates)

```

Generate a single integer

```

npy_int64 random_positive_int64 (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
npy_int32 random_positive_int32 (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
npy_int64 random_positive_int (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)
npy_uint64 random_uint (bitgen_t *bitgen_state)

```

Generate random uint64 numbers in closed interval [off, off + rng].

```

npy_uint64 random_bounded_uint64 (bitgen_t *bitgen_state, npy_uint64 off, npy_uint64 rng, npy_uint64 mask,
                                  bool use_masked)

```

## Extending

The BitGenerators have been designed to be extendable using standard tools for high-performance Python – numba and Cython. The `Generator` object can also be used with user-provided BitGenerators as long as these export a small set of required functions.

### Numba

Numba can be used with either CTypes or CFFI. The current iteration of the BitGenerators all export a small set of functions through both interfaces.

This example shows how numba can be used to produce gaussian samples using a pure Python implementation which is then compiled. The random numbers are provided by `ctypes.next_double`.

```

import numpy as np
import numba as nb

from numpy.random import PCG64
from timeit import timeit

bit_gen = PCG64()
next_d = bit_gen.cffi.next_double
state_addr = bit_gen.cffi.state_address

def normals(n, state):
    out = np.empty(n)
    for i in range((n + 1) // 2):
        x1 = 2.0 * next_d(state) - 1.0
        x2 = 2.0 * next_d(state) - 1.0
        r2 = x1 * x1 + x2 * x2
        while r2 >= 1.0 or r2 == 0.0:
            x1 = 2.0 * next_d(state) - 1.0
            x2 = 2.0 * next_d(state) - 1.0
    out[i] = x1
    out[n - i - 1] = x2

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        r2 = x1 * x1 + x2 * x2
        f = np.sqrt(-2.0 * np.log(r2) / r2)
        out[2 * i] = f * x1
        if 2 * i + 1 < n:
            out[2 * i + 1] = f * x2
    return out

# Compile using Numba
normalsj = nb.jit(normals, nopython=True)
# Must use state address not state with numba
n = 10000

def numbacall():
    return normalsj(n, state_addr)

rg = np.random.Generator(PCG64())

def numpycall():
    return rg.normal(size=n)

# Check that the functions work
r1 = numbacall()
r2 = numpycall()
assert r1.shape == (n,)
assert r1.shape == r2.shape

t1 = timeit(numbacall, number=1000)
print(f'{t1:.2f} secs for {n} PCG64 (Numba/PCG64) gaussian randoms')
t2 = timeit(numpycall, number=1000)
print(f'{t2:.2f} secs for {n} PCG64 (NumPy/PCG64) gaussian randoms')

```

Both CTypes and CFFI allow the more complicated distributions to be used directly in Numba after compiling the file distributions.c into a DLL or so. An example showing the use of a more complicated distribution is in the *examples* section below.

## Cython

Cython can be used to unpack the PyCapsule provided by a BitGenerator. This example uses PCG64 and the example from above. The usual caveats for writing high-performance code using Cython – removing bounds checks and wrap around, providing array alignment information – still apply.

```

#!/usr/bin/env python3
#cython: language_level=3
"""
This file shows how to use a BitGenerator to create a distribution.
"""

import numpy as np
cimport numpy as np
cimport cython
from cpython.pycapsule cimport PyCapsule_IsValid, PyCapsule_GetPointer
from libc.stdint cimport uint16_t, uint64_t
from numpy.random cimport bitgen_t
from numpy.random import PCG64
from numpy.random.c_distributions cimport (
    random_standard_uniform_fill, random_standard_uniform_fill_f)

```

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```

@cython.boundscheck(False)
@cython.wraparound(False)
def uniforms(Py_ssize_t n):
    """
    Create an array of `n` uniformly distributed doubles.
    A 'real' distribution would want to process the values into
    some non-uniform distribution
    """
    cdef Py_ssize_t i
    cdef bitgen_t *rng
    cdef const char *capsule_name = "BitGenerator"
    cdef double[:,:] random_values

    x = PCG64()
    capsule = x.capsule
    # Optional check that the capsule if from a BitGenerator
    if not PyCapsule_IsValid(capsule, capsule_name):
        raise ValueError("Invalid pointer to anon_func_state")
    # Cast the pointer
    rng = <bitgen_t *> PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, capsule_name)
    random_values = np.empty(n, dtype='float64')
    with x.lock, nogil:
        for i in range(n):
            # Call the function
            random_values[i] = rng.next_double(rng.state)
    randoms = np.asarray(random_values)

    return randoms

```

The BitGenerator can also be directly accessed using the members of the `bitgen_t` struct.

```

@cython.boundscheck(False)
@cython.wraparound(False)
def uint10_uniforms(Py_ssize_t n):
    """Uniform 10 bit integers stored as 16-bit unsigned integers"""
    cdef Py_ssize_t i
    cdef bitgen_t *rng
    cdef const char *capsule_name = "BitGenerator"
    cdef uint16_t[:,:] random_values
    cdef int bits_remaining
    cdef int width = 10
    cdef uint64_t buff, mask = 0x3FF

    x = PCG64()
    capsule = x.capsule
    if not PyCapsule_IsValid(capsule, capsule_name):
        raise ValueError("Invalid pointer to anon_func_state")
    rng = <bitgen_t *> PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, capsule_name)
    random_values = np.empty(n, dtype='uint16')
    # Best practice is to release GIL and acquire the lock
    bits_remaining = 0
    with x.lock, nogil:
        for i in range(n):
            if bits_remaining < width:
                buff = rng.next_uint64(rng.state)
                random_values[i] = buff & mask

```

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```

    buff >>= width

    randoms = np.asarray(random_values)
    return randoms

```

Cython can be used to directly access the functions in `numpy/random/c_distributions.pxd`. This requires linking with the `npyrandom` library located in `numpy/random/lib`.

```

def uniforms_ex(bit_generator, Py_ssize_t n, dtype=np.float64):
    """
    Create an array of `n` uniformly distributed doubles via a "fill" function.

    A 'real' distribution would want to process the values into
    some non-uniform distribution

    Parameters
    -----
    bit_generator: BitGenerator instance
    n: int
        Output vector length
    dtype: {str, dtype}, optional
        Desired dtype, either 'd' (or 'float64') or 'f' (or 'float32'). The
        default dtype value is 'd'
    """
    cdef Py_ssize_t i
    cdef bitgen_t *rng
    cdef const char *capsule_name = "BitGenerator"
    cdef np.ndarray randoms

    capsule = bit_generator.capsule
    # Optional check that the capsule if from a BitGenerator
    if not PyCapsule_IsValid(capsule, capsule_name):
        raise ValueError("Invalid pointer to anon_func_state")
    # Cast the pointer
    rng = <bitgen_t *> PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, capsule_name)

    _dtype = np.dtype(dtype)
    randoms = np.empty(n, dtype=_dtype)
    if _dtype == np.float32:
        with bit_generator.lock:
            random_standard_uniform_fill_f(rng, n, <float*>np.PyArray_DATA(randoms))
    elif _dtype == np.float64:
        with bit_generator.lock:
            random_standard_uniform_fill(rng, n, <double*>np.PyArray_DATA(randoms))
    else:
        raise TypeError('Unsupported dtype %r for random' % _dtype)
    return randoms

```

See [Extending numpy.random via Cython](#) for the complete listings of these examples and a minimal `setup.py` to build the c-extension modules.

## FFI

FFI can be used to directly access the functions in `include/numpy/random/distributions.h`. Some “massaging” of the header file is required:

```
"""
Use ffi to access any of the underlying C functions from distributions.h
"""

import os
import numpy as np
import cffi
from .parse import parse_distributions_h
ffi = cffi.FFI()

inc_dir = os.path.join(np.get_include(), 'numpy')

# Basic numpy types
ffi.cdef('''
    typedef intptr_t npy_intp;
    typedef unsigned char npy_bool;
''')

parse_distributions_h(ffi, inc_dir)
```

Once the header is parsed by `ffi.cdef`, the functions can be accessed directly from the `_generator` shared object, using the `BitGenerator.cffi` interface.

```
# Compare the distributions.h random_standard_normal_fill to
# Generator.standard_random
bit_gen = np.random.PCG64()
rng = np.random.Generator(bit_gen)
state = bit_gen.state

interface = rng.bit_generator.cffi
n = 100
vals_cffi = ffi.new('double[%d]' % n)
lib.random_standard_normal_fill(interface.bit_generator, n, vals_cffi)

# reset the state
bit_gen.state = state

vals = rng.standard_normal(n)

for i in range(n):
    assert vals[i] == vals_cffi[i]
```

## New Bit Generators

`Generator` can be used with user-provided `BitGenerators`. The simplest way to write a new BitGenerator is to examine the pyx file of one of the existing BitGenerators. The key structure that must be provided is the `capsule` which contains a PyCapsule to a struct pointer of type `bitgen_t`,

```
typedef struct bitgen {
    void *state;
    uint64_t (*next_uint64) (void *st);
    uint32_t (*next_uint32) (void *st);
    double (*next_double) (void *st);
    uint64_t (*next_raw) (void *st);
} bitgen_t;
```

which provides 5 pointers. The first is an opaque pointer to the data structure used by the BitGenerators. The next three are function pointers which return the next 64- and 32-bit unsigned integers, the next random double and the next raw value. This final function is used for testing and so can be set to the next 64-bit unsigned integer function if not needed. Functions inside `Generator` use this structure as in

```
bitgen_state->next_uint64(bitgen_state->state)
```

## Examples

### Extending via Numba

```
import numpy as np
import numba as nb

from numpy.random import PCG64
from timeit import timeit

bit_gen = PCG64()
next_d = bit_gen.cffi.next_double
state_addr = bit_gen.cffi.state_address

def normals(n, state):
    out = np.empty(n)
    for i in range((n + 1) // 2):
        x1 = 2.0 * next_d(state) - 1.0
        x2 = 2.0 * next_d(state) - 1.0
        r2 = x1 * x1 + x2 * x2
        while r2 >= 1.0 or r2 == 0.0:
            x1 = 2.0 * next_d(state) - 1.0
            x2 = 2.0 * next_d(state) - 1.0
            r2 = x1 * x1 + x2 * x2
        f = np.sqrt(-2.0 * np.log(r2) / r2)
        out[2 * i] = f * x1
        if 2 * i + 1 < n:
            out[2 * i + 1] = f * x2
    return out

# Compile using Numba
normalsj = nb.jit(normals, nopython=True)
# Must use state address not state with numba
n = 10000

def numbacall():
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    return normalsj(n, state_addr)

rg = np.random.Generator(PCG64())

def numpycall():
    return rg.normal(size=n)

# Check that the functions work
r1 = numbacall()
r2 = numpycall()
assert r1.shape == (n,)
assert r1.shape == r2.shape

t1 = timeit(numbacall, number=1000)
print(f'{t1:.2f} secs for {n} PCG64 (Numba/PCG64) gaussian randoms')
t2 = timeit(numpycall, number=1000)
print(f'{t2:.2f} secs for {n} PCG64 (NumPy/PCG64) gaussian randoms')

# example 2

next_u32 = bit_gen.ctypes.next_uint32
ctypes_state = bit_gen.ctypes.state

@nb.jit(nopython=True)
def bounded_uint(lb, ub, state):
    mask = delta = ub - lb
    mask |= mask >> 1
    mask |= mask >> 2
    mask |= mask >> 4
    mask |= mask >> 8
    mask |= mask >> 16

    val = next_u32(state) & mask
    while val > delta:
        val = next_u32(state) & mask

    return lb + val

print(bounded_uint(323, 2394691, ctypes_state.value))

@nb.jit(nopython=True)
def bounded_uints(lb, ub, n, state):
    out = np.empty(n, dtype=np.uint32)
    for i in range(n):
        out[i] = bounded_uint(lb, ub, state)

bounded_uints(323, 2394691, 10000000, ctypes_state.value)

```

## Extending via Numba and CFFI

```
r"""
Building the required library in this example requires a source distribution
of NumPy or clone of the NumPy git repository since distributions.c is not
included in binary distributions.

On *nix, execute in numpy/random/src/distributions

export ${PYTHON_VERSION}=3.8 # Python version
export PYTHON_INCLUDE=#path to Python's include folder, usually \
    ${PYTHON_HOME}/include/python${PYTHON_VERSION}m
export NUMPY_INCLUDE=#path to numpy's include folder, usually \
    ${PYTHON_HOME}/lib/python${PYTHON_VERSION}/site-packages/numpy/core/include
gcc -shared -o libdistributions.so -fPIC distributions.c \
    -I${NUMPY_INCLUDE} -I${PYTHON_INCLUDE}
mv libdistributions.so ../../_examples/numba/

On Windows

rem PYTHON_HOME and PYTHON_VERSION are setup dependent, this is an example
set PYTHON_HOME=c:\Anaconda
set PYTHON_VERSION=38
cl.exe /LD ./distributions.c -DDLL_EXPORT \
    -I%PYTHON_HOME%\lib\site-packages\numpy\core\include \
    -I%PYTHON_HOME%\include %PYTHON_HOME%\libs\python%PYTHON_VERSION%.lib
move distributions.dll ../../_examples/numba/
"""

import os

import numba as nb
import numpy as np
from cffi import FFI

from numpy.random import PCG64

ffi = FFI()
if os.path.exists('./distributions.dll'):
    lib = ffi.dlopen('./distributions.dll')
elif os.path.exists('./libdistributions.so'):
    lib = ffi.dlopen('./libdistributions.so')
else:
    raise RuntimeError('Required DLL/so file was not found.')

ffi.cdef("""
double random_standard_normal(void *bitgen_state);
""")

x = PCG64()
xffi = x.ffi
bit_generator = xffi.bit_generator

random_standard_normal = lib.random_standard_normal

def normals(n, bit_generator):
    out = np.empty(n)
    for i in range(n):
        out[i] = random_standard_normal(bit_generator)
```

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```

        out[i] = random_standard_normal(bit_generator)
    return out

normalsj = nb.jit(normals, nopython=True)

# Numba requires a memory address for void *
# Can also get address from x.ctypes.bit_generator.value
bit_generator_address = int(ffi.cast('uintptr_t', bit_generator))

norm = normalsj(1000, bit_generator_address)
print(norm[:12])

```

## Extending `numpy.random` via Cython

### `setup.py`

```

#!/usr/bin/env python3
"""
Build the Cython demonstrations of low-level access to NumPy random

Usage: python setup.py build_ext -i
"""

import setuptools # triggers monkeypatching distutils
from distutils.core import setup
from os.path import dirname, join, abspath

import numpy as np
from Cython.Build import cythonize
from numpy.distutils.misc_util import get_info
from setuptools.extension import Extension

path = dirname(__file__)
src_dir = join(dirname(path), '..', 'src')
defs = [('NPY_NO_DEPRECATED_API', 0)]
inc_path = np.get_include()
lib_path = [abspath(join(np.get_include(), '..', '..', 'random', 'lib'))]
lib_path += get_info('npymath')['library_dirs']

extending = Extension("extending",
                      sources=[join('.', 'extending.pyx')],
                      include_dirs=[
                          np.get_include(),
                          join(path, '..', '..')
                      ],
                      define_macros=defs,
)
distributions = Extension("extending_distributions",
                          sources=[join('.', 'extending_distributions.pyx')],
                          include_dirs=[inc_path],
                          library_dirs=lib_path,
                          libraries=['npyrandom', 'npymath'],
                          define_macros=defs,
)

```

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```
extensions = [extending, distributions]

setup(
    ext_modules=cythonize(extensions)
)
```

**extending.pyx**

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
#cython: language_level=3

from libc.stdint cimport uint32_t
from cpython.pycapsule cimport PyCapsule_IsValid, PyCapsule_GetPointer

import numpy as np
cimport numpy as np
cimport cython

from numpy.random cimport bitgen_t
from numpy.random import PCG64

np.import_array()

@cython.boundscheck(False)
@cython.wraparound(False)
def uniform_mean(Py_ssize_t n):
    cdef Py_ssize_t i
    cdef bitgen_t *rng
    cdef const char *capsule_name = "BitGenerator"
    cdef double[:,:] random_values
    cdef np.ndarray randoms

    x = PCG64()
    capsule = x.capsule
    if not PyCapsule_IsValid(capsule, capsule_name):
        raise ValueError("Invalid pointer to anon_func_state")
    rng = <bitgen_t *> PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, capsule_name)
    random_values = np.empty(n)
    # Best practice is to acquire the lock whenever generating random values.
    # This prevents other threads from modifying the state. Acquiring the lock
    # is only necessary if the GIL is also released, as in this example.
    with x.lock, nogil:
        for i in range(n):
            random_values[i] = rng.next_double(rng.state)
    randoms = np.asarray(random_values)
    return randoms.mean()

# This function is declared nogil so it can be used without the GIL below
cdef uint32_t bounded_uint(uint32_t lb, uint32_t ub, bitgen_t *rng) nogil:
    cdef uint32_t mask, delta, val
    mask = delta = ub - lb
```

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```

mask |= mask >> 1
mask |= mask >> 2
mask |= mask >> 4
mask |= mask >> 8
mask |= mask >> 16

val = rng.next_uint32(rng.state) & mask
while val > delta:
    val = rng.next_uint32(rng.state) & mask

return lb + val

@cython.boundscheck(False)
@cython.wraparound(False)
def bounded_uints(uint32_t lb, uint32_t ub, Py_ssize_t n):
    cdef Py_ssize_t i
    cdef bitgen_t *rng
    cdef uint32_t[::1] out
    cdef const char *capsule_name = "BitGenerator"

    x = PCG64()
    out = np.empty(n, dtype=np.uint32)
    capsule = x.capsule

    if not PyCapsule_IsValid(capsule, capsule_name):
        raise ValueError("Invalid pointer to anon_func_state")
    rng = <bitgen_t *>PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, capsule_name)

    with x.lock, nogil:
        for i in range(n):
            out[i] = bounded_uint(lb, ub, rng)
    return np.asarray(out)

```

**extending\_distributions.pyx**

```

#!/usr/bin/env python3
#cython: language_level=3
"""
This file shows how to use a BitGenerator to create a distribution.
"""

import numpy as np
cimport numpy as np
cimport cython
from cpython.pycapsule cimport PyCapsule_IsValid, PyCapsule_GetPointer
from libc.stdint cimport uint16_t, uint64_t
from numpy.random cimport bitgen_t
from numpy.random import PCG64
from numpy.random.c_distributions cimport (
    random_standard_uniform_fill, random_standard_uniform_fill_f)

@cython.boundscheck(False)
@cython.wraparound(False)

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```

def uniforms(Py_ssize_t n):
    """
    Create an array of `n` uniformly distributed doubles.
    A 'real' distribution would want to process the values into
    some non-uniform distribution
    """
    cdef Py_ssize_t i
    cdef bitgen_t *rng
    cdef const char *capsule_name = "BitGenerator"
    cdef double[::1] random_values

    x = PCG64()
    capsule = x.capsule
    # Optional check that the capsule is from a BitGenerator
    if not PyCapsule_IsValid(capsule, capsule_name):
        raise ValueError("Invalid pointer to anon_func_state")
    # Cast the pointer
    rng = <bitgen_t *> PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, capsule_name)
    random_values = np.empty(n, dtype='float64')
    with x.lock, nogil:
        for i in range(n):
            # Call the function
            random_values[i] = rng.next_double(rng.state)
    randoms = np.asarray(random_values)

    return randoms

# cython example 2
@cython.boundscheck(False)
@cython.wraparound(False)
def uint10_uniforms(Py_ssize_t n):
    """Uniform 10 bit integers stored as 16-bit unsigned integers"""
    cdef Py_ssize_t i
    cdef bitgen_t *rng
    cdef const char *capsule_name = "BitGenerator"
    cdef uint16_t[::1] random_values
    cdef int bits_remaining
    cdef int width = 10
    cdef uint64_t buff, mask = 0x3FF

    x = PCG64()
    capsule = x.capsule
    if not PyCapsule_IsValid(capsule, capsule_name):
        raise ValueError("Invalid pointer to anon_func_state")
    rng = <bitgen_t *> PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, capsule_name)
    random_values = np.empty(n, dtype='uint16')
    # Best practice is to release GIL and acquire the lock
    bits_remaining = 0
    with x.lock, nogil:
        for i in range(n):
            if bits_remaining < width:
                buff = rng.next_uint64(rng.state)
                random_values[i] = buff & mask
                buff >>= width

    randoms = np.asarray(random_values)
    return randoms

```

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```

# cython example 3
def uniforms_ex(bit_generator, Py_ssize_t n, dtype=np.float64):
    """
    Create an array of `n` uniformly distributed doubles via a "fill" function.

    A 'real' distribution would want to process the values into
    some non-uniform distribution

    Parameters
    -----
    bit_generator: BitGenerator instance
    n: int
        Output vector length
    dtype: {str, dtype}, optional
        Desired dtype, either 'd' (or 'float64') or 'f' (or 'float32'). The
        default dtype value is 'd'
    """
    cdef Py_ssize_t i
    cdef bitgen_t *rng
    cdef const char *capsule_name = "BitGenerator"
    cdef np.ndarray randoms

    capsule = bit_generator.capsule
    # Optional check that the capsule is from a BitGenerator
    if not PyCapsule_IsValid(capsule, capsule_name):
        raise ValueError("Invalid pointer to anon_func_state")
    # Cast the pointer
    rng = <bitgen_t *> PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, capsule_name)

    _dtype = np.dtype(dtype)
    randoms = np.empty(n, dtype=_dtype)
    if _dtype == np.float32:
        with bit_generator.lock:
            random_standard_uniform_fill_f(rng, n, <float*>np.PyArray_DATA(randoms))
    elif _dtype == np.float64:
        with bit_generator.lock:
            random_standard_uniform_fill(rng, n, <double*>np.PyArray_DATA(randoms))
    else:
        raise TypeError('Unsupported dtype %r for random' % _dtype)
    return randoms

```

## Extending via CFFI

```

"""
Use cffi to access any of the underlying C functions from distributions.h
"""

import os
import numpy as np
import cffi
from .parse import parse_distributions_h
ffi = cffi.FFI()

inc_dir = os.path.join(np.get_include(), 'numpy')

```

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```
# Basic numpy types
ffi.cdef('''
    typedef intptr_t npy_intp;
    typedef unsigned char npy_bool;

''')

parse_distributions_h(ffi, inc_dir)

lib = ffi.dlopen(np.random._generator.__file__)

# Compare the distributions.h random_standard_normal_fill to
# Generator.standard_random
bit_gen = np.random.PCG64()
rng = np.random.Generator(bit_gen)
state = bit_gen.state

interface = rng.bit_generator.cffi
n = 100
vals_cffi = ffi.new('double[%d]' % n)
lib.random_standard_normal_fill(interface.bit_generator, n, vals_cffi)

# reset the state
bit_gen.state = state

vals = rng.standard_normal(n)

for i in range(n):
    assert vals[i] == vals_cffi[i]
```

## Original Source of the Generator and BitGenerators

This package was developed independently of NumPy and was integrated in version 1.17.0. The original repo is at <https://github.com/bashtage/randomgen>.

## 5.23 Set routines

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*lib.arraysetops*

Set operations for arrays based on sorting.

Set operations for arrays based on sorting.

## Notes

For floating point arrays, inaccurate results may appear due to usual round-off and floating point comparison issues.

Speed could be gained in some operations by an implementation of `numpy.sort`, that can provide directly the permutation vectors, thus avoiding calls to `numpy.argsort`.

Original author: Robert Cimrman

### 5.23.1 Making proper sets

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<code>unique(ar[, return_index, return_inverse, ...])</code>	Find the unique elements of an array.
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### 5.23.2 Boolean operations

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<code>in1d(ar1, ar2[, assume_unique, invert])</code>	Test whether each element of a 1-D array is also present in a second array.
<code>intersect1d(ar1, ar2[, assume_unique, ...])</code>	Find the intersection of two arrays.
<code>isin(element, test_elements[, ...])</code>	Calculates element in test_elements, broadcasting over element only.
<code>setdiff1d(ar1, ar2[, assume_unique])</code>	Find the set difference of two arrays.
<code>setxor1d(ar1, ar2[, assume_unique])</code>	Find the set exclusive-or of two arrays.
<code>union1d(ar1, ar2)</code>	Find the union of two arrays.

---

`numpy.in1d(ar1, ar2, assume_unique=False, invert=False)`

Test whether each element of a 1-D array is also present in a second array.

Returns a boolean array the same length as *ar1* that is True where an element of *ar1* is in *ar2* and False otherwise.

We recommend using `isin` instead of `in1d` for new code.

#### Parameters

##### **ar1**

[ $(M,)$  array\_like] Input array.

##### **ar2**

[array\_like] The values against which to test each value of *ar1*.

##### **assume\_unique**

[bool, optional] If True, the input arrays are both assumed to be unique, which can speed up the calculation. Default is False.

##### **invert**

[bool, optional] If True, the values in the returned array are inverted (that is, False where an element of *ar1* is in *ar2* and True otherwise). Default is False. `np.in1d(a, b, invert=True)` is equivalent to (but is faster than) `np.invert(np.in1d(a, b))`.

New in version 1.8.0.

#### Returns

**in1d**

`[(M,) ndarray, bool]` The values `ar1[in1d]` are in `ar2`.

**See also:**

**`isin`**

Version of this function that preserves the shape of `ar1`.

**`numpy.lib.arraysetops`**

Module with a number of other functions for performing set operations on arrays.

**Notes**

`in1d` can be considered as an element-wise function version of the python keyword `in`, for 1-D sequences. `in1d(a, b)` is roughly equivalent to `np.array([item in b for item in a])`. However, this idea fails if `ar2` is a set, or similar (non-sequence) container: As `ar2` is converted to an array, in those cases `asarray(ar2)` is an object array rather than the expected array of contained values.

New in version 1.4.0.

**Examples**

```
>>> test = np.array([0, 1, 2, 5, 0])
>>> states = [0, 2]
>>> mask = np.in1d(test, states)
>>> mask
array([ True, False,  True, False,  True])
>>> test[mask]
array([0, 2, 0])
>>> mask = np.in1d(test, states, invert=True)
>>> mask
array([False,  True, False,  True, False])
>>> test[mask]
array([1, 5])
```

`numpy.intersect1d(ar1, ar2, assume_unique=False, return_indices=False)`

Find the intersection of two arrays.

Return the sorted, unique values that are in both of the input arrays.

**Parameters****ar1, ar2**

`[array_like]` Input arrays. Will be flattened if not already 1D.

**assume\_unique**

`[bool]` If True, the input arrays are both assumed to be unique, which can speed up the calculation. If True but `ar1` or `ar2` are not unique, incorrect results and out-of-bounds indices could result. Default is False.

**return\_indices**

`[bool]` If True, the indices which correspond to the intersection of the two arrays are returned. The first instance of a value is used if there are multiple. Default is False.

New in version 1.15.0.

## Returns

### `intersect1d`

[ndarray] Sorted 1D array of common and unique elements.

### `comm1`

[ndarray] The indices of the first occurrences of the common values in *ar1*. Only provided if *return\_indices* is True.

### `comm2`

[ndarray] The indices of the first occurrences of the common values in *ar2*. Only provided if *return\_indices* is True.

## See also:

### `numpy.lib.arraysetops`

Module with a number of other functions for performing set operations on arrays.

## Examples

```
>>> np.intersect1d([1, 3, 4, 3], [3, 1, 2, 1])
array([1, 3])
```

To intersect more than two arrays, use `functools.reduce`:

```
>>> from functools import reduce
>>> reduce(np.intersect1d, ([1, 3, 4, 3], [3, 1, 2, 1], [6, 3, 4, 2]))
array([3])
```

To return the indices of the values common to the input arrays along with the intersected values:

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> y = np.array([2, 1, 4, 6])
>>> xy, x_ind, y_ind = np.intersect1d(x, y, return_indices=True)
>>> x_ind, y_ind
(array([0, 2, 4]), array([1, 0, 2]))
>>> xy, x[x_ind], y[y_ind]
(array([1, 2, 4]), array([1, 2, 4]), array([1, 2, 4]))
```

## `numpy.isin(element, test_elements, assume_unique=False, invert=False)`

Calculates *element* in *test\_elements*, broadcasting over *element* only. Returns a boolean array of the same shape as *element* that is True where an element of *element* is in *test\_elements* and False otherwise.

## Parameters

### `element`

[array\_like] Input array.

### `test_elements`

[array\_like] The values against which to test each value of *element*. This argument is flattened if it is an array or array\_like. See notes for behavior with non-array-like parameters.

**assume\_unique**

[bool, optional] If True, the input arrays are both assumed to be unique, which can speed up the calculation. Default is False.

**invert**

[bool, optional] If True, the values in the returned array are inverted, as if calculating *element not in test\_elements*. Default is False. `np.isin(a, b, invert=True)` is equivalent to (but faster than) `np.invert(np.isin(a, b))`.

**Returns****isin**

[ndarray, bool] Has the same shape as *element*. The values *element[isin]* are in *test\_elements*.

**See also:****in1d**

Flattened version of this function.

**numpy.lib.arraysetops**

Module with a number of other functions for performing set operations on arrays.

**Notes**

`isin` is an element-wise function version of the python keyword `in`. `is_in(a, b)` is roughly equivalent to `np.array([item in b for item in a])` if *a* and *b* are 1-D sequences.

*element* and *test\_elements* are converted to arrays if they are not already. If *test\_elements* is a set (or other non-sequence collection) it will be converted to an object array with one element, rather than an array of the values contained in *test\_elements*. This is a consequence of the `array` constructor's way of handling non-sequence collections. Converting the set to a list usually gives the desired behavior.

New in version 1.13.0.

**Examples**

```
>>> element = 2*np.arange(4).reshape((2, 2))
>>> element
array([[0, 2],
       [4, 6]])
>>> test_elements = [1, 2, 4, 8]
>>> mask = np.isin(element, test_elements)
>>> mask
array([[False,  True],
       [ True, False]])
>>> element[mask]
array([2, 4])
```

The indices of the matched values can be obtained with `nonzero`:

```
>>> np.nonzero(mask)
(array([0, 1]), array([1, 0]))
```

The test can also be inverted:

```
>>> mask = np.isin(element, test_elements, invert=True)
>>> mask
array([[ True, False],
       [False,  True]])
>>> element[mask]
array([0, 6])
```

Because of how `array` handles sets, the following does not work as expected:

```
>>> test_set = {1, 2, 4, 8}
>>> np.isin(element, test_set)
array([[False, False],
       [False, False]])
```

Casting the set to a list gives the expected result:

```
>>> np.isin(element, list(test_set))
array([[False,  True],
       [ True, False]])
```

`numpy.setdiff1d(ar1, ar2, assume_unique=False)`

Find the set difference of two arrays.

Return the unique values in *ar1* that are not in *ar2*.

### Parameters

#### ar1

[array\_like] Input array.

#### ar2

[array\_like] Input comparison array.

#### assume\_unique

[bool] If True, the input arrays are both assumed to be unique, which can speed up the calculation. Default is False.

### Returns

#### setdiff1d

[ndarray] 1D array of values in *ar1* that are not in *ar2*. The result is sorted when *assume\_unique=False*, but otherwise only sorted if the input is sorted.

See also:

`numpy.lib.arraysetops`

Module with a number of other functions for performing set operations on arrays.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3, 2, 4, 1])
>>> b = np.array([3, 4, 5, 6])
>>> np.setdiff1d(a, b)
array([1, 2])
```

`numpy.setxor1d(ar1, ar2, assume_unique=False)`

Find the set exclusive-or of two arrays.

Return the sorted, unique values that are in only one (not both) of the input arrays.

### Parameters

#### ar1, ar2

[array\_like] Input arrays.

#### assume\_unique

[bool] If True, the input arrays are both assumed to be unique, which can speed up the calculation. Default is False.

### Returns

#### setxor1d

[ndarray] Sorted 1D array of unique values that are in only one of the input arrays.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([1, 2, 3, 2, 4])
>>> b = np.array([2, 3, 5, 7, 5])
>>> np.setxor1d(a,b)
array([1, 4, 5, 7])
```

`numpy.union1d(ar1, ar2)`

Find the union of two arrays.

Return the unique, sorted array of values that are in either of the two input arrays.

### Parameters

#### ar1, ar2

[array\_like] Input arrays. They are flattened if they are not already 1D.

### Returns

#### union1d

[ndarray] Unique, sorted union of the input arrays.

### See also:

[`numpy.lib.arraysetops`](#)

Module with a number of other functions for performing set operations on arrays.

## Examples

```
>>> np.union1d([-1, 0, 1], [-2, 0, 2])
array([-2, -1, 0, 1, 2])
```

To find the union of more than two arrays, use `functools.reduce`:

```
>>> from functools import reduce
>>> reduce(np.union1d, ([1, 3, 4, 3], [3, 1, 2, 1], [6, 3, 4, 2]))
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 6])
```

## 5.24 Sorting, searching, and counting

### 5.24.1 Sorting

<code>sort(a[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Return a sorted copy of an array.
<code>lexsort(keys[, axis])</code>	Perform an indirect stable sort using a sequence of keys.
<code>argsort(a[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Returns the indices that would sort an array.
<code>ndarray.sort([axis, kind, order])</code>	Sort an array in-place.
<code>msort(a)</code>	Return a copy of an array sorted along the first axis.
<code>sort_complex(a)</code>	Sort a complex array using the real part first, then the imaginary part.
<code>partition(a, kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Return a partitioned copy of an array.
<code>argpartition(a, kth[, axis, kind, order])</code>	Perform an indirect partition along the given axis using the algorithm specified by the <code>kind</code> keyword.

`numpy.sort(a, axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Return a sorted copy of an array.

#### Parameters

##### a

[array\_like] Array to be sorted.

##### axis

[int or None, optional] Axis along which to sort. If None, the array is flattened before sorting. The default is -1, which sorts along the last axis.

##### kind

[{'quicksort', 'mergesort', 'heapsort', 'stable'}, optional] Sorting algorithm. The default is 'quicksort'. Note that both 'stable' and 'mergesort' use timsort or radix sort under the covers and, in general, the actual implementation will vary with data type. The 'mergesort' option is retained for backwards compatibility.

Changed in version 1.15.0.: The 'stable' option was added.

##### order

[str or list of str, optional] When `a` is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the `dtype`, to break ties.

**Returns****sorted\_array**

[ndarray] Array of the same type and shape as *a*.

**See also:****`ndarray.sort`**

Method to sort an array in-place.

**`argsort`**

Indirect sort.

**`lexsort`**

Indirect stable sort on multiple keys.

**`searchsorted`**

Find elements in a sorted array.

**`partition`**

Partial sort.

**Notes**

The various sorting algorithms are characterized by their average speed, worst case performance, work space size, and whether they are stable. A stable sort keeps items with the same key in the same relative order. The four algorithms implemented in NumPy have the following properties:

kind	speed	worst case	work space	stable
'quicksort'	1	$O(n^2)$	0	no
'heapsort'	3	$O(n \log n)$	0	no
'mergesort'	2	$O(n \log n)$	$\sim n/2$	yes
'timsort'	2	$O(n \log n)$	$\sim n/2$	yes

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**Note:** The datatype determines which of ‘mergesort’ or ‘timsort’ is actually used, even if ‘mergesort’ is specified. User selection at a finer scale is not currently available.

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All the sort algorithms make temporary copies of the data when sorting along any but the last axis. Consequently, sorting along the last axis is faster and uses less space than sorting along any other axis.

The sort order for complex numbers is lexicographic. If both the real and imaginary parts are non-nan then the order is determined by the real parts except when they are equal, in which case the order is determined by the imaginary parts.

Previous to numpy 1.4.0 sorting real and complex arrays containing nan values led to undefined behaviour. In numpy versions  $\geq 1.4.0$  nan values are sorted to the end. The extended sort order is:

- Real: [R, nan]
- Complex: [R + Rj, R + nanj, nan + Rj, nan + nanj]

where R is a non-nan real value. Complex values with the same nan placements are sorted according to the non-nan part if it exists. Non-nan values are sorted as before.

New in version 1.12.0.

quicksort has been changed to introsort. When sorting does not make enough progress it switches to heapsort. This implementation makes quicksort O( $n^*\log(n)$ ) in the worst case.

'stable' automatically chooses the best stable sorting algorithm for the data type being sorted. It, along with 'mergesort' is currently mapped to timsort or radix sort depending on the data type. API forward compatibility currently limits the ability to select the implementation and it is hardwired for the different data types.

New in version 1.17.0.

Timsort is added for better performance on already or nearly sorted data. On random data timsort is almost identical to mergesort. It is now used for stable sort while quicksort is still the default sort if none is chosen. For timsort details, refer to [CPython listsort.txt](#). 'mergesort' and 'stable' are mapped to radix sort for integer data types. Radix sort is an O( $n$ ) sort instead of O( $n \log n$ ).

Changed in version 1.18.0.

NaT now sorts to the end of arrays for consistency with NaN.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 4], [3, 1]])
>>> np.sort(a)                      # sort along the last axis
array([[1, 4],
       [1, 3]])
>>> np.sort(a, axis=None)          # sort the flattened array
array([1, 1, 3, 4])
>>> np.sort(a, axis=0)            # sort along the first axis
array([[1, 1],
       [3, 4]])
```

Use the *order* keyword to specify a field to use when sorting a structured array:

```
>>> dtype = [('name', 'S10'), ('height', float), ('age', int)]
>>> values = [('Arthur', 1.8, 41), ('Lancelot', 1.9, 38),
...             ('Galahad', 1.7, 38)]
>>> a = np.array(values, dtype=dtype)      # create a structured array
>>> np.sort(a, order='height')
array([('Galahad', 1.7, 38), ('Arthur', 1.8, 41),
       ('Lancelot', 1.8999999999999999, 38)],
      dtype=[('name', '|S10'), ('height', '<f8'), ('age', '<i4')])
```

Sort by age, then height if ages are equal:

```
>>> np.sort(a, order=['age', 'height'])
array([('Galahad', 1.7, 38), ('Lancelot', 1.8999999999999999, 38),
       ('Arthur', 1.8, 41)],
      dtype=[('name', '|S10'), ('height', '<f8'), ('age', '<i4')])
```

`numpy.lexsort(keys, axis=-1)`

Perform an indirect stable sort using a sequence of keys.

Given multiple sorting keys, which can be interpreted as columns in a spreadsheet, lexsort returns an array of integer indices that describes the sort order by multiple columns. The last key in the sequence is used for the primary sort order, the second-to-last key for the secondary sort order, and so on. The keys argument must be a sequence of

objects that can be converted to arrays of the same shape. If a 2D array is provided for the `keys` argument, its rows are interpreted as the sorting keys and sorting is according to the last row, second last row etc.

### Parameters

#### `keys`

[( $k$ ,  $N$ ) array or tuple containing  $k$  ( $N,$ )-shaped sequences] The  $k$  different “columns” to be sorted. The last column (or row if `keys` is a 2D array) is the primary sort key.

#### `axis`

[int, optional] Axis to be indirectly sorted. By default, sort over the last axis.

### Returns

#### `indices`

[( $N,$ ) ndarray of ints] Array of indices that sort the keys along the specified axis.

### See also:

#### `argsort`

Indirect sort.

#### `ndarray.sort`

In-place sort.

#### `sort`

Return a sorted copy of an array.

## Examples

Sort names: first by surname, then by name.

```
>>> surnames = ('Hertz', 'Galilei', 'Hertz')
>>> first_names = ('Heinrich', 'Galileo', 'Gustav')
>>> ind = np.lexsort((first_names, surnames))
>>> ind
array([1, 2, 0])
```

```
>>> [surnames[i] + ", " + first_names[i] for i in ind]
['Galilei', 'Galileo', 'Hertz', 'Gustav', 'Hertz', 'Heinrich']
```

Sort two columns of numbers:

```
>>> a = [1, 5, 1, 4, 3, 4, 4] # First column
>>> b = [9, 4, 0, 4, 0, 2, 1] # Second column
>>> ind = np.lexsort((b, a)) # Sort by a, then by b
>>> ind
array([2, 0, 4, 6, 5, 3, 1])
```

```
>>> [(a[i], b[i]) for i in ind]
[(1, 0), (1, 9), (3, 0), (4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 4), (5, 4)]
```

Note that sorting is first according to the elements of `a`. Secondary sorting is according to the elements of `b`.

A normal `argsort` would have yielded:

```
>>> [(a[i],b[i]) for i in np.argsort(a)]
[(1, 9), (1, 0), (3, 0), (4, 4), (4, 2), (4, 1), (5, 4)]
```

Structured arrays are sorted lexically by `argsort`:

```
>>> x = np.array([(1,9), (5,4), (1,0), (4,4), (3,0), (4,2), (4,1)],
...               dtype=np.dtype([('x', int), ('y', int)]))
```

```
>>> np.argsort(x) # or np.argsort(x, order=('x', 'y'))
array([2, 0, 4, 6, 5, 3, 1])
```

`numpy.argsort(a, axis=-1, kind=None, order=None)`

Returns the indices that would sort an array.

Perform an indirect sort along the given axis using the algorithm specified by the `kind` keyword. It returns an array of indices of the same shape as `a` that index data along the given axis in sorted order.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array to sort.

#### axis

[int or None, optional] Axis along which to sort. The default is -1 (the last axis). If None, the flattened array is used.

#### kind

[{'quicksort', 'mergesort', 'heapsort', 'stable'}, optional] Sorting algorithm. The default is 'quicksort'. Note that both 'stable' and 'mergesort' use timsort under the covers and, in general, the actual implementation will vary with data type. The 'mergesort' option is retained for backwards compatibility.

Changed in version 1.15.0.: The 'stable' option was added.

#### order

[str or list of str, optional] When `a` is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the `dtype`, to break ties.

### Returns

#### index\_array

[ndarray, int] Array of indices that sort `a` along the specified `axis`. If `a` is one-dimensional, `a[index_array]` yields a sorted `a`. More generally, `np.take_along_axis(a, index_array, axis=axis)` always yields the sorted `a`, irrespective of dimensionality.

### See also:

#### sort

Describes sorting algorithms used.

**`lexsort`**

Indirect stable sort with multiple keys.

**`ndarray.sort`**

Inplace sort.

**`argpartition`**

Indirect partial sort.

**`take_along_axis`**

Apply `index_array` from `argsort` to an array as if by calling `sort`.

## Notes

See `sort` for notes on the different sorting algorithms.

As of NumPy 1.4.0 `argsort` works with real/complex arrays containing nan values. The enhanced sort order is documented in `sort`.

## Examples

One dimensional array:

```
>>> x = np.array([3, 1, 2])
>>> np.argsort(x)
array([1, 2, 0])
```

Two-dimensional array:

```
>>> x = np.array([[0, 3], [2, 2]])
>>> x
array([[0, 3],
       [2, 2]])
```

```
>>> ind = np.argsort(x, axis=0)    # sorts along first axis (down)
>>> ind
array([[0, 1],
       [1, 0]])
>>> np.take_along_axis(x, ind, axis=0)    # same as np.sort(x, axis=0)
array([[0, 2],
       [2, 3]])
```

```
>>> ind = np.argsort(x, axis=1)    # sorts along last axis (across)
>>> ind
array([[0, 1],
       [0, 1]])
>>> np.take_along_axis(x, ind, axis=1)    # same as np.sort(x, axis=1)
array([[3],
       [2, 2]])
```

Indices of the sorted elements of a N-dimensional array:

```
>>> ind = np.unravel_index(np.argsort(x, axis=None), x.shape)
>>> ind
(array([0, 1, 1, 0]), array([0, 0, 1, 1]))
>>> x[ind] # same as np.sort(x, axis=None)
array([0, 2, 2, 3])
```

Sorting with keys:

```
>>> x = np.array([(1, 0), (0, 1)], dtype=[('x', '<i4'), ('y', '<i4')])
>>> x
array([(1, 0), (0, 1)],
      dtype=[('x', '<i4'), ('y', '<i4')])
```

```
>>> np.argsort(x, order=('x', 'y'))
array([1, 0])
```

```
>>> np.argsort(x, order=('y', 'x'))
array([0, 1])
```

`numpy.msort(a)`

Return a copy of an array sorted along the first axis.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Array to be sorted.

#### Returns

**sorted\_array**

[ndarray] Array of the same type and shape as *a*.

See also:

`sort`

#### Notes

`np.msort(a)` is equivalent to `np.sort(a, axis=0)`.

`numpy.sort_complex(a)`

Sort a complex array using the real part first, then the imaginary part.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array

#### Returns

**out**

[complex ndarray] Always returns a sorted complex array.

## Examples

```
>>> np.sort_complex([5, 3, 6, 2, 1])
array([1.+0.j, 2.+0.j, 3.+0.j, 5.+0.j, 6.+0.j])
```

```
>>> np.sort_complex([1 + 2j, 2 - 1j, 3 - 2j, 3 - 3j, 3 + 5j])
array([1.+2.j, 2.-1.j, 3.-3.j, 3.-2.j, 3.+5.j])
```

`numpy.partition(a, kth, axis=-1, kind='introselect', order=None)`

Return a partitioned copy of an array.

Creates a copy of the array with its elements rearranged in such a way that the value of the element in k-th position is in the position it would be in a sorted array. All elements smaller than the k-th element are moved before this element and all equal or greater are moved behind it. The ordering of the elements in the two partitions is undefined.

New in version 1.8.0.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array to be sorted.

#### kth

[int or sequence of ints] Element index to partition by. The k-th value of the element will be in its final sorted position and all smaller elements will be moved before it and all equal or greater elements behind it. The order of all elements in the partitions is undefined. If provided with a sequence of k-th it will partition all elements indexed by k-th of them into their sorted position at once.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0: Passing booleans as index is deprecated.

#### axis

[int or None, optional] Axis along which to sort. If None, the array is flattened before sorting. The default is -1, which sorts along the last axis.

#### kind

[{'introselect'}, optional] Selection algorithm. Default is 'introselect'.

#### order

[str or list of str, optional] When *a* is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string. Not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

### Returns

#### partitioned\_array

[ndarray] Array of the same type and shape as *a*.

### See also:

#### `ndarray.partition`

Method to sort an array in-place.

**`argpartition`**

Indirect partition.

**`sort`**

Full sorting

**Notes**

The various selection algorithms are characterized by their average speed, worst case performance, work space size, and whether they are stable. A stable sort keeps items with the same key in the same relative order. The available algorithms have the following properties:

kind	speed	worst case	work space	stable
'introselect'	1	$O(n)$	0	no

All the partition algorithms make temporary copies of the data when partitioning along any but the last axis. Consequently, partitioning along the last axis is faster and uses less space than partitioning along any other axis.

The sort order for complex numbers is lexicographic. If both the real and imaginary parts are non-nan then the order is determined by the real parts except when they are equal, in which case the order is determined by the imaginary parts.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([3, 4, 2, 1])
>>> np.partition(a, 3)
array([2, 1, 3, 4])
```

```
>>> np.partition(a, (1, 3))
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
```

`numpy.argpartition(a, kth, axis=-1, kind='introselect', order=None)`

Perform an indirect partition along the given axis using the algorithm specified by the `kind` keyword. It returns an array of indices of the same shape as `a` that index data along the given axis in partitioned order.

New in version 1.8.0.

**Parameters****`a`**

[array\_like] Array to sort.

**`kth`**

[int or sequence of ints] Element index to partition by. The `k`-th element will be in its final sorted position and all smaller elements will be moved before it and all larger elements behind it. The order all elements in the partitions is undefined. If provided with a sequence of `k`-th it will partition all of them into their sorted position at once.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0: Passing booleans as index is deprecated.

**`axis`**

[int or None, optional] Axis along which to sort. The default is -1 (the last axis). If None, the flattened array is used.

**kind**

[{‘introselect’}, optional] Selection algorithm. Default is ‘introselect’

**order**

[str or list of str, optional] When  $a$  is an array with fields defined, this argument specifies which fields to compare first, second, etc. A single field can be specified as a string, and not all fields need be specified, but unspecified fields will still be used, in the order in which they come up in the dtype, to break ties.

**Returns****index\_array**

[ndarray, int] Array of indices that partition  $a$  along the specified axis. If  $a$  is one-dimensional,  $a[\text{index\_array}]$  yields a partitioned  $a$ . More generally, `np.take_along_axis(a, index_array, axis)` always yields the partitioned  $a$ , irrespective of dimensionality.

**See also:**[\*\*partition\*\*](#)

Describes partition algorithms used.

[\*\*ndarray.partition\*\*](#)

Inplace partition.

[\*\*argsort\*\*](#)

Full indirect sort.

[\*\*take\\_along\\_axis\*\*](#)

Apply `index_array` from `argpartition` to an array as if by calling `partition`.

**Notes**

See [`partition`](#) for notes on the different selection algorithms.

**Examples**

One dimensional array:

```
>>> x = np.array([3, 4, 2, 1])
>>> x[np.argpartition(x, 3)]
array([2, 1, 3, 4])
>>> x[np.argpartition(x, (1, 3))]
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
```

```
>>> x = [3, 4, 2, 1]
>>> np.array(x)[np.argpartition(x, 3)]
array([2, 1, 3, 4])
```

Multi-dimensional array:

```
>>> x = np.array([[3, 4, 2], [1, 3, 1]])
>>> index_array = np.argpartition(x, kth=1, axis=-1)
>>> np.take_along_axis(x, index_array, axis=-1) # same as np.partition(x, kth=1)
array([[2, 3, 4],
       [1, 1, 3]])
```

## 5.24.2 Searching

<code>argmax(a[, axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns the indices of the maximum values along an axis.
<code>nanargmax(a[, axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the indices of the maximum values in the specified axis ignoring NaNs.
<code>argmin(a[, axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Returns the indices of the minimum values along an axis.
<code>nanargmin(a[, axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Return the indices of the minimum values in the specified axis ignoring NaNs.
<code>argwhere(a)</code>	Find the indices of array elements that are non-zero, grouped by element.
<code>nonzero(a)</code>	Return the indices of the elements that are non-zero.
<code>flatnonzero(a)</code>	Return indices that are non-zero in the flattened version of a.
<code>where(condition, [x, y], /)</code>	Return elements chosen from x or y depending on <i>condition</i> .
<code>searchsorted(a, v[, side, sorter])</code>	Find indices where elements should be inserted to maintain order.
<code>extract(condition, arr)</code>	Return the elements of an array that satisfy some condition.

`numpy.argmax (a, axis=None, out=None, *, keepdims=<no value>)`

Returns the indices of the maximum values along an axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array.

#### axis

[int, optional] By default, the index is into the flattened array, otherwise along the specified axis.

#### out

[array, optional] If provided, the result will be inserted into this array. It should be of the appropriate shape and dtype.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

New in version 1.22.0.

### Returns

## index\_array

[ndarray of ints] Array of indices into the array. It has the same shape as *a.shape* with the dimension along *axis* removed. If *keepdims* is set to True, then the size of *axis* will be 1 with the resulting array having same shape as *a.shape*.

See also:

[`ndarray.argmax, argmin`](#)

[`amax`](#)

The maximum value along a given axis.

[`unravel\_index`](#)

Convert a flat index into an index tuple.

[`take\_along\_axis`](#)

Apply `np.expand_dims(index_array, axis)` from argmax to an array as if by calling max.

## Notes

In case of multiple occurrences of the maximum values, the indices corresponding to the first occurrence are returned.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3) + 10
>>> a
array([[10, 11, 12],
       [13, 14, 15]])
>>> np.argmax(a)
5
>>> np.argmax(a, axis=0)
array([1, 1, 1])
>>> np.argmax(a, axis=1)
array([2, 2])
```

Indexes of the maximal elements of a N-dimensional array:

```
>>> ind = np.unravel_index(np.argmax(a, axis=None), a.shape)
>>> ind
(1, 2)
>>> a[ind]
15
```

```
>>> b = np.arange(6)
>>> b[1] = 5
>>> b
array([0, 5, 2, 3, 4, 5])
>>> np.argmax(b) # Only the first occurrence is returned.
1
```

```
>>> x = np.array([[4,2,3], [1,0,3]])
>>> index_array = np.argmax(x, axis=-1)
>>> # Same as np.amax(x, axis=-1, keepdims=True)
>>> np.take_along_axis(x, np.expand_dims(index_array, axis=-1), axis=-1)
array([[4,
       3]])
>>> # Same as np.amax(x, axis=-1)
>>> np.take_along_axis(x, np.expand_dims(index_array, axis=-1), axis=-1) .
>>> .squeeze(axis=-1)
array([4, 3])
```

Setting `keepdims` to `True`,

```
>>> x = np.arange(24).reshape((2, 3, 4))
>>> res = np.argmax(x, axis=1, keepdims=True)
>>> res.shape
(2, 1, 4)
```

`numpy.nanargmax(a, axis=None, out=None, *, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the indices of the maximum values in the specified axis ignoring NaNs. For all-NaN slices `ValueError` is raised. Warning: the results cannot be trusted if a slice contains only NaNs and -Infs.

## Parameters

### a

[array\_like] Input data.

### axis

[int, optional] Axis along which to operate. By default flattened input is used.

### out

[array, optional] If provided, the result will be inserted into this array. It should be of the appropriate shape and `dtype`.

New in version 1.22.0.

### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

New in version 1.22.0.

## Returns

### index\_array

[ndarray] An array of indices or a single index value.

## See also:

`argmax`, `nanargmin`

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[np.nan, 4], [2, 3]])
>>> np.argmax(a)
0
>>> np.nanargmax(a)
1
>>> np.nanargmax(a, axis=0)
array([1, 0])
>>> np.nanargmax(a, axis=1)
array([1, 1])
```

`numpy.argmin(a, axis=None, out=None, *, keepdims=<no value>)`

Returns the indices of the minimum values along an axis.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array.

**axis**

[int, optional] By default, the index is into the flattened array, otherwise along the specified axis.

**out**

[array, optional] If provided, the result will be inserted into this array. It should be of the appropriate shape and dtype.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

New in version 1.22.0.

### Returns

**index\_array**

[ndarray of ints] Array of indices into the array. It has the same shape as `a.shape` with the dimension along `axis` removed. If `keepdims` is set to True, then the size of `axis` will be 1 with the resulting array having same shape as `a.shape`.

### See also:

[`ndarray.argmin, argmax`](#)

[`amin`](#)

The minimum value along a given axis.

[`unravel\_index`](#)

Convert a flat index into an index tuple.

[`take\_along\_axis`](#)

Apply `np.expand_dims(index_array, axis)` from `argmin` to an array as if by calling `min`.

## Notes

In case of multiple occurrences of the minimum values, the indices corresponding to the first occurrence are returned.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3) + 10
>>> a
array([[10, 11, 12],
       [13, 14, 15]])
>>> np.argmin(a)
0
>>> np.argmin(a, axis=0)
array([0, 0, 0])
>>> np.argmin(a, axis=1)
array([0, 0])
```

Indices of the minimum elements of a N-dimensional array:

```
>>> ind = np.unravel_index(np.argmin(a, axis=None), a.shape)
>>> ind
(0, 0)
>>> a[ind]
10
```

```
>>> b = np.arange(6) + 10
>>> b[4] = 10
>>> b
array([10, 11, 12, 13, 10, 15])
>>> np.argmin(b) # Only the first occurrence is returned.
0
```

```
>>> x = np.array([[4,2,3], [1,0,3]])
>>> index_array = np.argmax(x, axis=-1)
>>> # Same as np.amin(x, axis=-1, keepdims=True)
>>> np.take_along_axis(x, np.expand_dims(index_array, axis=-1), axis=-1)
array([[2,
       0]])
>>> # Same as np.amax(x, axis=-1)
>>> np.take_along_axis(x, np.expand_dims(index_array, axis=-1), axis=-1).
    .squeeze(axis=-1)
array([2, 0])
```

Setting *keepdims* to *True*,

```
>>> x = np.arange(24).reshape((2, 3, 4))
>>> res = np.argmax(x, axis=1, keepdims=True)
>>> res.shape
(2, 1, 4)
```

`numpy.nanargmin(a, axis=None, out=None, *, keepdims=<no value>)`

Return the indices of the minimum values in the specified axis ignoring NaNs. For all-NaN slices `ValueError` is raised. Warning: the results cannot be trusted if a slice contains only NaNs and Infs.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input data.

**axis**

[int, optional] Axis along which to operate. By default flattened input is used.

**out**

[array, optional] If provided, the result will be inserted into this array. It should be of the appropriate shape and dtype.

New in version 1.22.0.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the array.

New in version 1.22.0.

**Returns****index\_array**

[ndarray] An array of indices or a single index value.

**See also:**

[argmin](#), [nanargmax](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[np.nan, 4], [2, 3]])
>>> np.argmin(a)
0
>>> np.nanargmin(a)
2
>>> np.nanargmin(a, axis=0)
array([1, 1])
>>> np.nanargmin(a, axis=1)
array([1, 0])
```

**numpy.argwhere(a)**

Find the indices of array elements that are non-zero, grouped by element.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input data.

**Returns****index\_array**

[(N, a.ndim) ndarray] Indices of elements that are non-zero. Indices are grouped by element. This array will have shape (N, a.ndim) where N is the number of non-zero items.

**See also:**

[where](#), [nonzero](#)

## Notes

`np.argwhere(a)` is almost the same as `np.transpose(np.nonzero(a))`, but produces a result of the correct shape for a 0D array.

The output of `argwhere` is not suitable for indexing arrays. For this purpose use `nonzero(a)` instead.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(6).reshape(2,3)
>>> x
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5]])
>>> np.argwhere(x>1)
array([[0, 2],
       [1, 0],
       [1, 1],
       [1, 2]])
```

`numpy.flatnonzero(a)`

Return indices that are non-zero in the flattened version of `a`.

This is equivalent to `np.nonzero(np.ravel(a))[0]`.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input data.

### Returns

**res**

[ndarray] Output array, containing the indices of the elements of `a.ravel()` that are non-zero.

**See also:**

[nonzero](#)

Return the indices of the non-zero elements of the input array.

[ravel](#)

Return a 1-D array containing the elements of the input array.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.arange(-2, 3)
>>> x
array([-2, -1, 0, 1, 2])
>>> np.flatnonzero(x)
array([0, 1, 3, 4])
```

Use the indices of the non-zero elements as an index array to extract these elements:

```
>>> x.ravel()[np.flatnonzero(x)]
array([-2, -1, 1, 2])
```

`numpy.searchsorted(a, v, side='left', sorter=None)`

Find indices where elements should be inserted to maintain order.

Find the indices into a sorted array *a* such that, if the corresponding elements in *v* were inserted before the indices, the order of *a* would be preserved.

Assuming that *a* is sorted:

<i>side</i>	returned index <i>i</i> satisfies
left	$a[i-1] < v \leq a[i]$
right	$a[i-1] \leq v < a[i]$

## Parameters

### a

[1-D array\_like] Input array. If *sorter* is None, then it must be sorted in ascending order, otherwise *sorter* must be an array of indices that sort it.

### v

[array\_like] Values to insert into *a*.

### side

[{'left', 'right'}, optional] If 'left', the index of the first suitable location found is given. If 'right', return the last such index. If there is no suitable index, return either 0 or N (where N is the length of *a*).

### sorter

[1-D array\_like, optional] Optional array of integer indices that sort array *a* into ascending order. They are typically the result of argsort.

New in version 1.7.0.

## Returns

### indices

[int or array of ints] Array of insertion points with the same shape as *v*, or an integer if *v* is a scalar.

## See also:

**`sort`**

Return a sorted copy of an array.

**`histogram`**

Produce histogram from 1-D data.

**Notes**

Binary search is used to find the required insertion points.

As of NumPy 1.4.0 `searchsorted` works with real/complex arrays containing `nan` values. The enhanced sort order is documented in `sort`.

This function uses the same algorithm as the builtin python `bisect.bisect_left(side='left')` and `bisect.bisect_right(side='right')` functions, which is also vectorized in the `v` argument.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.searchsorted([1,2,3,4,5], 3)
2
>>> np.searchsorted([1,2,3,4,5], 3, side='right')
3
>>> np.searchsorted([1,2,3,4,5], [-10, 10, 2, 3])
array([0, 5, 1, 2])
```

**`numpy.extract(condition, arr)`**

Return the elements of an array that satisfy some condition.

This is equivalent to `np.compress(ravel(condition), ravel(arr))`. If `condition` is boolean `np.extract` is equivalent to `arr[condition]`.

Note that `place` does the exact opposite of `extract`.

**Parameters****`condition`**

[array\_like] An array whose nonzero or True entries indicate the elements of `arr` to extract.

**`arr`**

[array\_like] Input array of the same size as `condition`.

**Returns****`extract`**

[ndarray] Rank 1 array of values from `arr` where `condition` is True.

**See also:**

`take, put, copyto, compress, place`

## Examples

```
>>> arr = np.arange(12).reshape((3, 4))
>>> arr
array([[ 0,  1,  2,  3],
       [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
       [ 8,  9, 10, 11]])
>>> condition = np.mod(arr, 3)==0
>>> condition
array([[ True, False, False,  True],
       [False, False,  True, False],
       [False,  True, False, False]])
>>> np.extract(condition, arr)
array([0, 3, 6, 9])
```

If *condition* is boolean:

```
>>> arr[condition]
array([0, 3, 6, 9])
```

## 5.24.3 Counting

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`count_nonzero(a[, axis, keepdims])`

Counts the number of non-zero values in the array *a*.

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`numpy.count_nonzero(a, axis=None, *, keepdims=False)`

Counts the number of non-zero values in the array *a*.

The word “non-zero” is in reference to the Python 2.x built-in method `__nonzero__()` (renamed `__bool__()` in Python 3.x) of Python objects that tests an object’s “truthfulness”. For example, any number is considered truthful if it is nonzero, whereas any string is considered truthful if it is not the empty string. Thus, this function (recursively) counts how many elements in *a* (and in sub-arrays thereof) have their `__nonzero__()` or `__bool__()` method evaluated to `True`.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] The array for which to count non-zeros.

#### axis

[int or tuple, optional] Axis or tuple of axes along which to count non-zeros. Default is `None`, meaning that non-zeros will be counted along a flattened version of *a*.

New in version 1.12.0.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to `True`, the axes that are counted are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

New in version 1.19.0.

### Returns

#### count

[int or array of int] Number of non-zero values in the array along a given axis. Otherwise, the total number of non-zero values in the array is returned.

**See also:**

[nonzero](#)

Return the coordinates of all the non-zero values.

## Examples

```
>>> np.count_nonzero(np.eye(4))
4
>>> a = np.array([[0, 1, 7, 0],
...                 [3, 0, 2, 19]])
>>> np.count_nonzero(a)
5
>>> np.count_nonzero(a, axis=0)
array([1, 1, 2, 1])
>>> np.count_nonzero(a, axis=1)
array([2, 3])
>>> np.count_nonzero(a, axis=1, keepdims=True)
array([[2],
       [3]])
```

## 5.25 Statistics

### 5.25.1 Order statistics

<code>ptp(a[, axis, out, keepdims])</code>	Range of values (maximum - minimum) along an axis.
<code>percentile(a, q[, axis, out, ...])</code>	Compute the q-th percentile of the data along the specified axis.
<code>nanpercentile(a, q[, axis, out, ...])</code>	Compute the qth percentile of the data along the specified axis, while ignoring nan values.
<code>quantile(a, q[, axis, out, overwrite_input, ...])</code>	Compute the q-th quantile of the data along the specified axis.
<code>nanquantile(a, q[, axis, out, ...])</code>	Compute the qth quantile of the data along the specified axis, while ignoring nan values.

`numpy.ptp(a, axis=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>)`

Range of values (maximum - minimum) along an axis.

The name of the function comes from ‘peak to peak’.

**Warning:** `ptp` preserves the data type of the array. This means the return value for an input of signed integers with n bits (e.g. `np.int8`, `np.int16`, etc) is also a signed integer with n bits. In that case, peak-to-peak values greater than  $2^{n-1} - 1$  will be returned as negative values. An example with a work-around is shown below.

#### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input values.

**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis along which to find the peaks. By default, flatten the array. *axis* may be negative, in which case it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.15.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, a reduction is performed on multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

**out**

[array\_like] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output, but the type of the output values will be cast if necessary.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then *keepdims* will not be passed through to the `ptp` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement *keepdims* any exceptions will be raised.

**Returns****ptp**

[ndarray] A new array holding the result, unless *out* was specified, in which case a reference to *out* is returned.

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([[4, 9, 2, 10],
...                 [6, 9, 7, 12]])
```

```
>>> np.ptp(x, axis=1)
array([8, 6])
```

```
>>> np.ptp(x, axis=0)
array([2, 0, 5, 2])
```

```
>>> np.ptp(x)
10
```

This example shows that a negative value can be returned when the input is an array of signed integers.

```
>>> y = np.array([[1, 127],
...                 [0, 127],
...                 [-1, 127],
...                 [-2, 127]], dtype=np.int8)
>>> np.ptp(y, axis=1)
array([-126, -127, -128, -127], dtype=int8)
```

A work-around is to use the `view()` method to view the result as unsigned integers with the same bit width:

```
>>> np.ptp(y, axis=1).view(np.uint8)
array([126, 127, 128, 129], dtype=uint8)
```

`numpy.percentile(a, q, axis=None, out=None, overwrite_input=False, method='linear', keepdims=False, *, interpolation=None)`

Compute the q-th percentile of the data along the specified axis.

Returns the q-th percentile(s) of the array elements.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array.

#### q

[array\_like of float] Percentile or sequence of percentiles to compute, which must be between 0 and 100 inclusive.

#### axis

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the percentiles are computed. The default is to compute the percentile(s) along a flattened version of the array.

Changed in version 1.9.0: A tuple of axes is supported

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output, but the type (of the output) will be cast if necessary.

#### overwrite\_input

[bool, optional] If True, then allow the input array *a* to be modified by intermediate calculations, to save memory. In this case, the contents of the input *a* after this function completes is undefined.

#### method

[str, optional] This parameter specifies the method to use for estimating the percentile. There are many different methods, some unique to NumPy. See the notes for explanation. The options sorted by their R type as summarized in the H&F paper [1] are:

1. ‘inverted\_cdf’
2. ‘averaged\_inverted\_cdf’
3. ‘closest\_observation’
4. ‘interpolated\_inverted\_cdf’
5. ‘hazen’
6. ‘weibull’
7. ‘linear’ (default)
8. ‘median\_unbiased’
9. ‘normal\_unbiased’

The first three methods are discontinuous. NumPy further defines the following discontinuous variations of the default ‘linear’ (7.) option:

- ‘lower’
- ‘higher’,
- ‘midpoint’
- ‘nearest’

Changed in version 1.22.0: This argument was previously called “interpolation” and only offered the “linear” default and last four options.

### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original array  $a$ .

New in version 1.9.0.

### interpolation

[str, optional] Deprecated name for the method keyword argument.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0.

### Returns

#### percentile

[scalar or ndarray] If  $q$  is a single percentile and  $axis=None$ , then the result is a scalar. If multiple percentiles are given, first axis of the result corresponds to the percentiles. The other axes are the axes that remain after the reduction of  $a$ . If the input contains integers or floats smaller than float64, the output data-type is float64. Otherwise, the output data-type is the same as that of the input. If  $out$  is specified, that array is returned instead.

#### See also:

[`mean`](#)

[`median`](#)

equivalent to `percentile(..., 50)`

[`nanpercentile`](#)

[`quantile`](#)

equivalent to `percentile`, except  $q$  in the range [0, 1].

## Notes

Given a vector  $V$  of length  $N$ , the  $q$ -th percentile of  $V$  is the value  $q/100$  of the way from the minimum to the maximum in a sorted copy of  $V$ . The values and distances of the two nearest neighbors as well as the *method* parameter will determine the percentile if the normalized ranking does not match the location of  $q$  exactly. This function is the same as the median if  $q=50$ , the same as the minimum if  $q=0$  and the same as the maximum if  $q=100$ .

This optional *method* parameter specifies the method to use when the desired quantile lies between two data points  $i < j$ . If  $g$  is the fractional part of the index surrounded by  $i$  and  $j$ , alpha and beta are correction constants modifying  $i$  and  $j$ .

Below, ‘ $q$ ’ is the quantile value, ‘ $n$ ’ is the sample size and alpha and beta are constants. The following formula gives an interpolation “ $i + g$ ” of where the quantile would be in the sorted sample. With ‘ $i$ ’ being the floor and ‘ $g$ ’ the fractional part of the result.

$$i + g = (q - \text{alpha}) / (n - \text{alpha} - \text{beta} + 1)$$

The different methods then work as follows

### **inverted\_cdf:**

method 1 of H&F [1]. This method gives discontinuous results:

- if  $g > 0$  ; then take  $j$
- if  $g = 0$  ; then take  $i$

### **averaged\_inverted\_cdf:**

method 2 of H&F [1]. This method give discontinuous results:

- if  $g > 0$  ; then take  $j$
- if  $g = 0$  ; then average between bounds

### **closest\_observation:**

method 3 of H&F [1]. This method give discontinuous results:

- if  $g > 0$  ; then take  $j$
- if  $g = 0$  and index is odd ; then take  $j$
- if  $g = 0$  and index is even ; then take  $i$

### **interpolated\_inverted\_cdf:**

method 4 of H&F [1]. This method give continuous results using:

- $\text{alpha} = 0$
- $\text{beta} = 1$

### **hazen:**

method 5 of H&F [1]. This method give continuous results using:

- $\text{alpha} = 1/2$
- $\text{beta} = 1/2$

### **weibull:**

method 6 of H&F [1]. This method give continuous results using:

- $\text{alpha} = 0$

- beta = 0

**linear:**

method 7 of H&F [1]. This method give continuous results using:

- alpha = 1
- beta = 1

**median\_unbiased:**

method 8 of H&F [1]. This method is probably the best method if the sample distribution function is unknown (see reference). This method give continuous results using:

- alpha = 1/3
- beta = 1/3

**normal\_unbiased:**

method 9 of H&F [1]. This method is probably the best method if the sample distribution function is known to be normal. This method give continuous results using:

- alpha = 3/8
- beta = 3/8

**lower:**

NumPy method kept for backwards compatibility. Takes  $i$  as the interpolation point.

**higher:**

NumPy method kept for backwards compatibility. Takes  $j$  as the interpolation point.

**nearest:**

NumPy method kept for backwards compatibility. Takes  $i$  or  $j$ , whichever is nearest.

**midpoint:**

NumPy method kept for backwards compatibility. Uses  $(i + j) / 2$ .

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[10, 7, 4], [3, 2, 1]])
>>> a
array([[10, 7, 4],
       [3, 2, 1]])
>>> np.percentile(a, 50)
3.5
>>> np.percentile(a, 50, axis=0)
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
>>> np.percentile(a, 50, axis=1)
array([7., 2.])
>>> np.percentile(a, 50, axis=1, keepdims=True)
array([[7.],
       [2.]])
```

```
>>> m = np.percentile(a, 50, axis=0)
>>> out = np.zeros_like(m)
>>> np.percentile(a, 50, axis=0, out=out)
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
>>> m
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
```

```
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> np.percentile(b, 50, axis=1, overwrite_input=True)
array([7., 2.])
>>> assert not np.all(a == b)
```

The different methods can be visualized graphically:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

a = np.arange(4)
p = np.linspace(0, 100, 6001)
ax = plt.gca()
lines = [
    ('linear', '--', 'C0'),
    ('inverted_cdf', ':', 'C1'),
    # Almost the same as `inverted_cdf`:
    ('averaged_inverted_cdf', '-.', 'C1'),
    ('closest_observation', ':', 'C2'),
    ('interpolated_inverted_cdf', '--', 'C1'),
    ('hazen', '--', 'C3'),
    ('weibull', '-.', 'C4'),
    ('median_unbiased', '--', 'C5'),
    ('normal_unbiased', '-.', 'C6'),
]
for method, style, color in lines:
    ax.plot(
        p, np.percentile(a, p, method=method),
        label=method, linestyle=style, color=color)
ax.set(
    title='Percentiles for different methods and data: ' + str(a),
    xlabel='Percentile',
    ylabel='Estimated percentile value',
    yticks=a)
ax.legend()
plt.show()
```

`numpy.nanpercentile(a, q, axis=None, out=None, overwrite_input=False, method='linear', keepdims=<no value>, *, interpolation=None)`

Compute the qth percentile of the data along the specified axis, while ignoring nan values.

Returns the qth percentile(s) of the array elements.

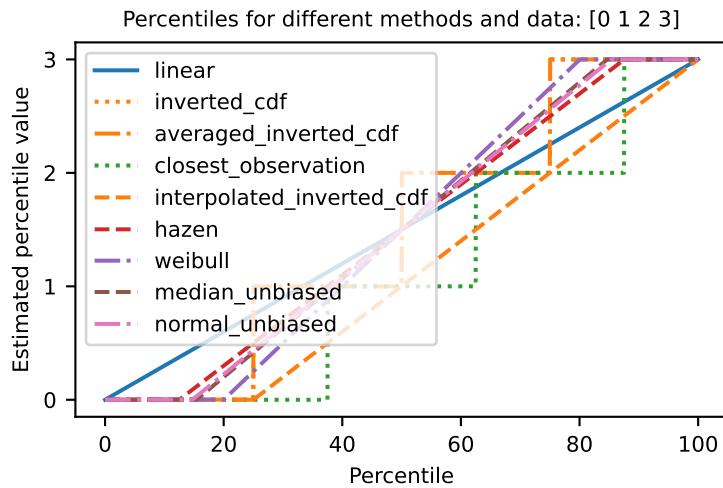
New in version 1.9.0.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array, containing nan values to be ignored.

**q**



[array\_like of float] Percentile or sequence of percentiles to compute, which must be between 0 and 100 inclusive.

#### axis

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the percentiles are computed. The default is to compute the percentile(s) along a flattened version of the array.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output, but the type (of the output) will be cast if necessary.

#### overwrite\_input

[bool, optional] If True, then allow the input array  $a$  to be modified by intermediate calculations, to save memory. In this case, the contents of the input  $a$  after this function completes is undefined.

#### method

[str, optional] This parameter specifies the method to use for estimating the percentile. There are many different methods, some unique to NumPy. See the notes for explanation. The options sorted by their R type as summarized in the H&F paper [1] are:

1. ‘inverted\_cdf’
2. ‘averaged\_inverted\_cdf’
3. ‘closest\_observation’
4. ‘interpolated\_inverted\_cdf’
5. ‘hazen’
6. ‘weibull’
7. ‘linear’ (default)
8. ‘median\_unbiased’
9. ‘normal\_unbiased’

The first three methods are discontinuous. NumPy further defines the following discontinuous variations of the default ‘linear’ (7.) option:

- ‘lower’
- ‘higher’,
- ‘midpoint’
- ‘nearest’

Changed in version 1.22.0: This argument was previously called “interpolation” and only offered the “linear” default and last four options.

### **keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original array  $a$ .

If this is anything but the default value it will be passed through (in the special case of an empty array) to the `mean` function of the underlying array. If the array is a sub-class and `mean` does not have the kwarg `keepdims` this will raise a `RuntimeError`.

### **interpolation**

[str, optional] Deprecated name for the method keyword argument.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0.

### **Returns**

#### **percentile**

[scalar or ndarray] If  $q$  is a single percentile and  $axis=None$ , then the result is a scalar. If multiple percentiles are given, first axis of the result corresponds to the percentiles. The other axes are the axes that remain after the reduction of  $a$ . If the input contains integers or floats smaller than `float64`, the output data-type is `float64`. Otherwise, the output data-type is the same as that of the input. If  $out$  is specified, that array is returned instead.

#### See also:

`nanmean`

`nanmedian`

equivalent to `nanpercentile(..., 50)`

`percentile, median, mean`

`nanquantile`

equivalent to `nanpercentile`, except  $q$  in range [0, 1].

## Notes

For more information please see [numpy.percentile](#)

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[10., 7., 4.], [3., 2., 1.]])
>>> a[0][1] = np.nan
>>> a
array([[10.,    nan,    4.],
       [ 3.,     2.,     1.]])
>>> np.percentile(a, 50)
nan
>>> np.nanpercentile(a, 50)
3.0
>>> np.nanpercentile(a, 50, axis=0)
array([6.5, 2. , 2.5])
>>> np.nanpercentile(a, 50, axis=1, keepdims=True)
array([[7.],
       [2.]])
>>> m = np.nanpercentile(a, 50, axis=0)
>>> out = np.zeros_like(m)
>>> np.nanpercentile(a, 50, axis=0, out=out)
array([6.5, 2. , 2.5])
>>> m
array([6.5, 2. , 2.5])
```

```
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> np.nanpercentile(b, 50, axis=1, overwrite_input=True)
array([7., 2.])
>>> assert not np.all(a==b)
```

`numpy.quantile(a, q, axis=None, out=None, overwrite_input=False, method='linear', keepdims=False, *, interpolation=None)`

Compute the q-th quantile of the data along the specified axis.

New in version 1.15.0.

### Parameters

**a**

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array.

**q**

[array\_like of float] Quantile or sequence of quantiles to compute, which must be between 0 and 1 inclusive.

**axis**

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the quantiles are computed. The default is to compute the quantile(s) along a flattened version of the array.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output, but the type (of the output) will be cast if necessary.

**overwrite\_input**

[bool, optional] If True, then allow the input array  $a$  to be modified by intermediate calculations, to save memory. In this case, the contents of the input  $a$  after this function completes is undefined.

**method**

[str, optional] This parameter specifies the method to use for estimating the quantile. There are many different methods, some unique to NumPy. See the notes for explanation. The options sorted by their R type as summarized in the H&F paper [1] are:

1. ‘inverted\_cdf’
2. ‘averaged\_inverted\_cdf’
3. ‘closest\_observation’
4. ‘interpolated\_inverted\_cdf’
5. ‘hazen’
6. ‘weibull’
7. ‘linear’ (default)
8. ‘median\_unbiased’
9. ‘normal\_unbiased’

The first three methods are discontinuous. NumPy further defines the following discontinuous variations of the default ‘linear’ (7.) option:

- ‘lower’
- ‘higher’,
- ‘midpoint’
- ‘nearest’

Changed in version 1.22.0: This argument was previously called “interpolation” and only offered the “linear” default and last four options.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original array  $a$ .

**interpolation**

[str, optional] Deprecated name for the method keyword argument.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0.

**Returns****quantile**

[scalar or ndarray] If  $q$  is a single quantile and  $axis=None$ , then the result is a scalar. If multiple quantiles are given, first axis of the result corresponds to the quantiles. The other axes are the axes that remain after the reduction of  $a$ . If the input contains integers or floats smaller than float64, the output data-type is float64. Otherwise, the output data-type is the same as that of the input. If  $out$  is specified, that array is returned instead.

See also:

[mean](#)

[percentile](#)

equivalent to quantile, but with  $q$  in the range [0, 100].

[median](#)

equivalent to `quantile(..., 0.5)`

[nanquantile](#)

## Notes

Given a vector  $V$  of length  $N$ , the  $q$ -th quantile of  $V$  is the value  $q$  of the way from the minimum to the maximum in a sorted copy of  $V$ . The values and distances of the two nearest neighbors as well as the *method* parameter will determine the quantile if the normalized ranking does not match the location of  $q$  exactly. This function is the same as the median if  $q=0.5$ , the same as the minimum if  $q=0.0$  and the same as the maximum if  $q=1.0$ .

The optional *method* parameter specifies the method to use when the desired quantile lies between two data points  $i < j$ . If  $g$  is the fractional part of the index surrounded by  $i$  and  $j$ , and alpha and beta are correction constants modifying  $i$  and  $j$ :

$$i + g = (q - \text{alpha}) / (n - \text{alpha} - \text{beta} + 1)$$

The different methods then work as follows

### **inverted\_cdf:**

method 1 of H&F [1]. This method gives discontinuous results:

- if  $g > 0$  ; then take  $j$
- if  $g = 0$  ; then take  $i$

### **averaged\_inverted\_cdf:**

method 2 of H&F [1]. This method gives discontinuous results:

- if  $g > 0$  ; then take  $j$
- if  $g = 0$  ; then average between bounds

### **closest\_observation:**

method 3 of H&F [1]. This method gives discontinuous results:

- if  $g > 0$  ; then take  $j$
- if  $g = 0$  and index is odd ; then take  $j$
- if  $g = 0$  and index is even ; then take  $i$

### **interpolated\_inverted\_cdf:**

method 4 of H&F [1]. This method gives continuous results using:

- alpha = 0
- beta = 1

**hazen:**

method 5 of H&F [1]. This method gives continuous results using:

- alpha = 1/2
- beta = 1/2

**weibull:**

method 6 of H&F [1]. This method gives continuous results using:

- alpha = 0
- beta = 0

**linear:**

method 7 of H&F [1]. This method gives continuous results using:

- alpha = 1
- beta = 1

**median\_unbiased:**

method 8 of H&F [1]. This method is probably the best method if the sample distribution function is unknown (see reference). This method gives continuous results using:

- alpha = 1/3
- beta = 1/3

**normal\_unbiased:**

method 9 of H&F [1]. This method is probably the best method if the sample distribution function is known to be normal. This method gives continuous results using:

- alpha = 3/8
- beta = 3/8

**lower:**

NumPy method kept for backwards compatibility. Takes  $i$  as the interpolation point.

**higher:**

NumPy method kept for backwards compatibility. Takes  $j$  as the interpolation point.

**nearest:**

NumPy method kept for backwards compatibility. Takes  $i$  or  $j$ , whichever is nearest.

**midpoint:**

NumPy method kept for backwards compatibility. Uses  $(i + j) / 2$ .

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[10, 7, 4], [3, 2, 1]])
>>> a
array([[10, 7, 4],
       [3, 2, 1]])
>>> np.quantile(a, 0.5)
3.5
>>> np.quantile(a, 0.5, axis=0)
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
>>> np.quantile(a, 0.5, axis=1)
array([7., 2.])
>>> np.quantile(a, 0.5, axis=1, keepdims=True)
array([[7.],
       [2.]])
>>> m = np.quantile(a, 0.5, axis=0)
>>> out = np.zeros_like(m)
>>> np.quantile(a, 0.5, axis=0, out=out)
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
>>> m
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> np.quantile(b, 0.5, axis=1, overwrite_input=True)
array([7., 2.])
>>> assert not np.all(a == b)
```

See also [numpy.percentile](#) for a visualization of most methods.

`numpy.nanquantile(a, q, axis=None, out=None, overwrite_input=False, method='linear', keepdims=<no value>, *, interpolation=None)`

Compute the qth quantile of the data along the specified axis, while ignoring nan values. Returns the qth quantile(s) of the array elements.

New in version 1.15.0.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array, containing nan values to be ignored

#### q

[array\_like of float] Quantile or sequence of quantiles to compute, which must be between 0 and 1 inclusive.

#### axis

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the quantiles are computed. The default is to compute the quantile(s) along a flattened version of the array.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output, but the type (of the output) will be cast if necessary.

### **overwrite\_input**

[bool, optional] If True, then allow the input array  $a$  to be modified by intermediate calculations, to save memory. In this case, the contents of the input  $a$  after this function completes is undefined.

### **method**

[str, optional] This parameter specifies the method to use for estimating the quantile. There are many different methods, some unique to NumPy. See the notes for explanation. The options sorted by their R type as summarized in the H&F paper [1] are:

1. ‘inverted\_cdf’
2. ‘averaged\_inverted\_cdf’
3. ‘closest\_observation’
4. ‘interpolated\_inverted\_cdf’
5. ‘hazen’
6. ‘weibull’
7. ‘linear’ (default)
8. ‘median\_unbiased’
9. ‘normal\_unbiased’

The first three methods are discontinuous. NumPy further defines the following discontinuous variations of the default ‘linear’ (7.) option:

- ‘lower’
- ‘higher’,
- ‘midpoint’
- ‘nearest’

Changed in version 1.22.0: This argument was previously called “interpolation” and only offered the “linear” default and last four options.

### **keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original array  $a$ .

If this is anything but the default value it will be passed through (in the special case of an empty array) to the [mean](#) function of the underlying array. If the array is a sub-class and [mean](#) does not have the kwarg `keepdims` this will raise a RuntimeError.

### **interpolation**

[str, optional] Deprecated name for the method keyword argument.

Deprecated since version 1.22.0.

### **Returns**

**quantile**

[scalar or ndarray] If  $q$  is a single percentile and  $axis=None$ , then the result is a scalar. If multiple quantiles are given, first axis of the result corresponds to the quantiles. The other axes are the axes that remain after the reduction of  $a$ . If the input contains integers or floats smaller than float64, the output data-type is float64. Otherwise, the output data-type is the same as that of the input. If  $out$  is specified, that array is returned instead.

**See also:**

[quantile](#)

[nanmean](#), [nanmedian](#)

[nanmedian](#)

equivalent to nanquantile(..., 0.5)

[nanpercentile](#)

same as nanquantile, but with  $q$  in the range [0, 100].

## Notes

For more information please see [numpy.quantile](#)

## References

[1]

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[10., 7., 4.], [3., 2., 1.]])
>>> a[0][1] = np.nan
>>> a
array([[10.,    nan,     4.],
       [ 3.,     2.,     1.]])
>>> np.quantile(a, 0.5)
nan
>>> np.nanquantile(a, 0.5)
3.0
>>> np.nanquantile(a, 0.5, axis=0)
array([6.5, 2. , 2.5])
>>> np.nanquantile(a, 0.5, axis=1, keepdims=True)
array([[7.,
       2.]])
>>> m = np.nanquantile(a, 0.5, axis=0)
>>> out = np.zeros_like(m)
>>> np.nanquantile(a, 0.5, axis=0, out=out)
array([6.5, 2. , 2.5])
>>> m
array([6.5, 2. , 2.5])
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> np.nanquantile(b, 0.5, axis=1, overwrite_input=True)
array([7., 2.])
>>> assert not np.all(a==b)
```

## 5.25.2 Averages and variances

<code>median(a[, axis, out, overwrite_input, keepdims])</code>	Compute the median along the specified axis.
<code>average(a[, axis, weights, returned, keepdims])</code>	Compute the weighted average along the specified axis.
<code>mean(a[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Compute the arithmetic mean along the specified axis.
<code>std(a[, axis, dtype, out, ddof, keepdims, where])</code>	Compute the standard deviation along the specified axis.
<code>var(a[, axis, dtype, out, ddof, keepdims, where])</code>	Compute the variance along the specified axis.
<code>nanmedian(a[, axis, out, overwrite_input, ...])</code>	Compute the median along the specified axis, while ignoring NaNs.
<code>nanmean(a[, axis, dtype, out, keepdims, where])</code>	Compute the arithmetic mean along the specified axis, ignoring NaNs.
<code>nanstd(a[, axis, dtype, out, ddof, ...])</code>	Compute the standard deviation along the specified axis, while ignoring NaNs.
<code>nanvar(a[, axis, dtype, out, ddof, ...])</code>	Compute the variance along the specified axis, while ignoring NaNs.

`numpy.median(a, axis=None, out=None, overwrite_input=False, keepdims=False)`

Compute the median along the specified axis.

Returns the median of the array elements.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array.

#### axis

[{int, sequence of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the medians are computed. The default is to compute the median along a flattened version of the array. A sequence of axes is supported since version 1.9.0.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output, but the type (of the output) will be cast if necessary.

#### overwrite\_input

[bool, optional] If True, then allow use of memory of input array *a* for calculations. The input array will be modified by the call to `median`. This will save memory when you do not need to preserve the contents of the input array. Treat the input as undefined, but it will probably be fully or partially sorted. Default is False. If *overwrite\_input* is True and *a* is not already an `ndarray`, an error will be raised.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original *arr*.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Returns

#### median

[ndarray] A new array holding the result. If the input contains integers or floats smaller than float64, then the output data-type is np.float64. Otherwise, the data-type of the output is the same as that of the input. If *out* is specified, that array is returned instead.

See also:

[mean](#), [percentile](#)

## Notes

Given a vector *V* of length *N*, the median of *V* is the middle value of a sorted copy of *V*, *V\_sorted* - i.e., *V\_sorted*[*(N-1)/2*], when *N* is odd, and the average of the two middle values of *V\_sorted* when *N* is even.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[10, 7, 4], [3, 2, 1]])
>>> a
array([[10, 7, 4],
       [3, 2, 1]])
>>> np.median(a)
3.5
>>> np.median(a, axis=0)
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
>>> np.median(a, axis=1)
array([7., 2.])
>>> m = np.median(a, axis=0)
>>> out = np.zeros_like(m)
>>> np.median(a, axis=0, out=m)
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
>>> m
array([6.5, 4.5, 2.5])
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> np.median(b, axis=1, overwrite_input=True)
array([7., 2.])
>>> assert not np.all(a==b)
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> np.median(b, axis=None, overwrite_input=True)
3.5
>>> assert not np.all(a==b)
```

`numpy.average(a, axis=None, weights=None, returned=False, *, keepdims=<no value>)`

Compute the weighted average along the specified axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array containing data to be averaged. If *a* is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which to average *a*. The default, axis=None, will average over all of the elements of the input array. If axis is negative it counts from the last to the first axis.

New in version 1.7.0.

If axis is a tuple of ints, averaging is performed on all of the axes specified in the tuple instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

### weights

[array\_like, optional] An array of weights associated with the values in  $a$ . Each value in  $a$  contributes to the average according to its associated weight. The weights array can either be 1-D (in which case its length must be the size of  $a$  along the given axis) or of the same shape as  $a$ . If  $weights=None$ , then all data in  $a$  are assumed to have a weight equal to one. The 1-D calculation is:

```
avg = sum(a * weights) / sum(weights)
```

The only constraint on  $weights$  is that  $\text{sum}(weights)$  must not be 0.

### returned

[bool, optional] Default is *False*. If *True*, the tuple (*average*, *sum\_of\_weights*) is returned, otherwise only the average is returned. If  $weights=None$ , *sum\_of\_weights* is equivalent to the number of elements over which the average is taken.

### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original  $a$ . Note: *keepdims* will not work with instances of `numpy.matrix` or other classes whose methods do not support *keepdims*.

New in version 1.23.0.

## Returns

### retval, [sum\_of\_weights]

[array\_type or double] Return the average along the specified axis. When *returned* is *True*, return a tuple with the average as the first element and the sum of the weights as the second element. *sum\_of\_weights* is of the same type as *retval*. The result dtype follows a general pattern. If  $weights$  is None, the result dtype will be that of  $a$ , or `float64` if  $a$  is integral. Otherwise, if  $weights$  is not None and  $a$  is non-integral, the result type will be the type of lowest precision capable of representing values of both  $a$  and  $weights$ . If  $a$  happens to be integral, the previous rules still apply but the result dtype will at least be `float64`.

## Raises

### ZeroDivisionError

When all weights along axis are zero. See `numpy.ma.average` for a version robust to this type of error.

### TypeError

When the length of 1D  $weights$  is not the same as the shape of  $a$  along axis.

## See also:

`mean`

**`ma.average`**

average for masked arrays – useful if your data contains “missing” values

**`numpy.result_type`**

Returns the type that results from applying the numpy type promotion rules to the arguments.

**Examples**

```
>>> data = np.arange(1, 5)
>>> data
array([1, 2, 3, 4])
>>> np.average(data)
2.5
>>> np.average(np.arange(1, 11), weights=np.arange(10, 0, -1))
4.0
```

```
>>> data = np.arange(6).reshape((3, 2))
>>> data
array([[0, 1],
       [2, 3],
       [4, 5]])
>>> np.average(data, axis=1, weights=[1./4, 3./4])
array([0.75, 2.75, 4.75])
>>> np.average(data, weights=[1./4, 3./4])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: Axis must be specified when shapes of a and weights differ.
```

```
>>> a = np.ones(5, dtype=np.float128)
>>> w = np.ones(5, dtype=np.complex64)
>>> avg = np.average(a, weights=w)
>>> print(avg.dtype)
complex256
```

With `keepdims=True`, the following result has shape (3, 1).

```
>>> np.average(data, axis=1, keepdims=True)
array([[0.5],
       [2.5],
       [4.5]])
```

`numpy.mean(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, *, where=<no value>)`

Compute the arithmetic mean along the specified axis.

Returns the average of the array elements. The average is taken over the flattened array by default, otherwise over the specified axis. `float64` intermediate and return values are used for integer inputs.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose mean is desired. If `a` is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

**axis**

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which the means are computed. The default is to compute the mean of the flattened array.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, a mean is performed over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

### **dtype**

[data-type, optional] Type to use in computing the mean. For integer inputs, the default is `float64`; for floating point inputs, it is the same as the input dtype.

### **out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. The default is `None`; if provided, it must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type will be cast if necessary. See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

### **keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then `keepdims` will not be passed through to the `mean` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement `keepdims` any exceptions will be raised.

### **where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the mean. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.20.0.

## **Returns**

### **m**

[ndarray, see dtype parameter above] If `out=None`, returns a new array containing the mean values, otherwise a reference to the output array is returned.

## **See also:**

### **`average`**

Weighted average

`std`, `var`, `nanmean`, `nanstd`, `nanvar`

## **Notes**

The arithmetic mean is the sum of the elements along the axis divided by the number of elements.

Note that for floating-point input, the mean is computed using the same precision the input has. Depending on the input data, this can cause the results to be inaccurate, especially for `float32` (see example below). Specifying a higher-precision accumulator using the `dtype` keyword can alleviate this issue.

By default, `float16` results are computed using `float32` intermediates for extra precision.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> np.mean(a)
2.5
>>> np.mean(a, axis=0)
array([2., 3.])
>>> np.mean(a, axis=1)
array([1.5, 3.5])
```

In single precision, `mean` can be inaccurate:

```
>>> a = np.zeros((2, 512*512), dtype=np.float32)
>>> a[0, :] = 1.0
>>> a[1, :] = 0.1
>>> np.mean(a)
0.54999924
```

Computing the mean in float64 is more accurate:

```
>>> np.mean(a, dtype=np.float64)
0.5500000074505806 # may vary
```

Specifying a `where` argument:

```
>>> a = np.array([[5, 9, 13], [14, 10, 12], [11, 15, 19]])
>>> np.mean(a)
12.0
>>> np.mean(a, where=[[True], [False], [False]])
9.0
```

`numpy.std(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=<no value>, *, where=<no value>)`

Compute the standard deviation along the specified axis.

Returns the standard deviation, a measure of the spread of a distribution, of the array elements. The standard deviation is computed for the flattened array by default, otherwise over the specified axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Calculate the standard deviation of these values.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which the standard deviation is computed. The default is to compute the standard deviation of the flattened array.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, a standard deviation is performed over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

#### dtype

[dtype, optional] Type to use in computing the standard deviation. For arrays of integer type the default is float64, for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output but the type (of the calculated values) will be cast if necessary.

### ddof

[int, optional] Means Delta Degrees of Freedom. The divisor used in calculations is  $N - ddof$ , where  $N$  represents the number of elements. By default  $ddof$  is zero.

### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then *keepdims* will not be passed through to the `std` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class' method does not implement *keepdims* any exceptions will be raised.

### where

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the standard deviation. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.20.0.

## Returns

### standard\_deviations

[ndarray, see `dtype` parameter above.] If `out` is None, return a new array containing the standard deviation, otherwise return a reference to the output array.

## See also:

`var`, `mean`, `nanmean`, `nanstd`, `nanvar`

`ufuncs-output-type`

## Notes

The standard deviation is the square root of the average of the squared deviations from the mean, i.e.,  $\text{std} = \sqrt{\text{mean}(x)}$ , where  $x = \text{abs}(a - a.\text{mean})^2$ .

The average squared deviation is typically calculated as  $x.\text{sum()}/N$ , where  $N = \text{len}(x)$ . If, however,  $ddof$  is specified, the divisor  $N - ddof$  is used instead. In standard statistical practice,  $ddof=1$  provides an unbiased estimator of the variance of the infinite population.  $ddof=0$  provides a maximum likelihood estimate of the variance for normally distributed variables. The standard deviation computed in this function is the square root of the estimated variance, so even with  $ddof=1$ , it will not be an unbiased estimate of the standard deviation per se.

Note that, for complex numbers, `std` takes the absolute value before squaring, so that the result is always real and nonnegative.

For floating-point input, the `std` is computed using the same precision the input has. Depending on the input data, this can cause the results to be inaccurate, especially for float32 (see example below). Specifying a higher-accuracy accumulator using the `dtype` keyword can alleviate this issue.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> np.std(a)
1.1180339887498949 # may vary
>>> np.std(a, axis=0)
array([1., 1.])
>>> np.std(a, axis=1)
array([0.5, 0.5])
```

In single precision, std() can be inaccurate:

```
>>> a = np.zeros((2, 512*512), dtype=np.float32)
>>> a[0, :] = 1.0
>>> a[1, :] = 0.1
>>> np.std(a)
0.45000005
```

Computing the standard deviation in float64 is more accurate:

```
>>> np.std(a, dtype=np.float64)
0.44999999925494177 # may vary
```

Specifying a where argument:

```
>>> a = np.array([[14, 8, 11, 10], [7, 9, 10, 11], [10, 15, 5, 10]])
>>> np.std(a)
2.614064523559687 # may vary
>>> np.std(a, where=[[True], [True], [False]])
2.0
```

`numpy.var(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=<no value>, *, where=<no value>)`

Compute the variance along the specified axis.

Returns the variance of the array elements, a measure of the spread of a distribution. The variance is computed for the flattened array by default, otherwise over the specified axis.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose variance is desired. If *a* is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

#### axis

[None or int or tuple of ints, optional] Axis or axes along which the variance is computed. The default is to compute the variance of the flattened array.

New in version 1.7.0.

If this is a tuple of ints, a variance is performed over multiple axes, instead of a single axis or all the axes as before.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Type to use in computing the variance. For arrays of integer type the default is `float64`; for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type is cast if necessary.

**ddof**

[int, optional] “Delta Degrees of Freedom”: the divisor used in the calculation is  $N - ddof$ , where  $N$  represents the number of elements. By default  $ddof$  is zero.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the input array.

If the default value is passed, then *keepdims* will not be passed through to the `var` method of sub-classes of `ndarray`, however any non-default value will be. If the sub-class’ method does not implement *keepdims* any exceptions will be raised.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the variance. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.20.0.

**Returns****variance**

[ndarray, see dtype parameter above] If `out=None`, returns a new array containing the variance; otherwise, a reference to the output array is returned.

**See also:**

`std`, `mean`, `nanmean`, `nanstd`, `nanvar`

**ufuncs-output-type**

**Notes**

The variance is the average of the squared deviations from the mean, i.e., `var = mean(x)`, where `x = abs(a - a.mean())**2`.

The mean is typically calculated as `x.sum() / N`, where  $N = \text{len}(x)$ . If, however,  $ddof$  is specified, the divisor  $N - ddof$  is used instead. In standard statistical practice,  $ddof=1$  provides an unbiased estimator of the variance of a hypothetical infinite population.  $ddof=0$  provides a maximum likelihood estimate of the variance for normally distributed variables.

Note that for complex numbers, the absolute value is taken before squaring, so that the result is always real and nonnegative.

For floating-point input, the variance is computed using the same precision the input has. Depending on the input data, this can cause the results to be inaccurate, especially for `float32` (see example below). Specifying a higher-accuracy accumulator using the `dtype` keyword can alleviate this issue.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
>>> np.var(a)
1.25
>>> np.var(a, axis=0)
array([1., 1.])
>>> np.var(a, axis=1)
array([0.25, 0.25])
```

In single precision, var() can be inaccurate:

```
>>> a = np.zeros((2, 512*512), dtype=np.float32)
>>> a[0, :] = 1.0
>>> a[1, :] = 0.1
>>> np.var(a)
0.20250003
```

Computing the variance in float64 is more accurate:

```
>>> np.var(a, dtype=np.float64)
0.20249999932944759 # may vary
>>> ((1-0.55)**2 + (0.1-0.55)**2)/2
0.2025
```

Specifying a where argument:

```
>>> a = np.array([[14, 8, 11, 10], [7, 9, 10, 11], [10, 15, 5, 10]])
>>> np.var(a)
6.833333333333333 # may vary
>>> np.var(a, where=[[True], [True], [False]])
4.0
```

`numpy.nanmedian(a, axis=None, out=None, overwrite_input=False, keepdims=<no value>)`

Compute the median along the specified axis, while ignoring NaNs.

Returns the median of the array elements.

New in version 1.9.0.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input array or object that can be converted to an array.

#### axis

[{int, sequence of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the medians are computed. The default is to compute the median along a flattened version of the array. A sequence of axes is supported since version 1.9.0.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape and buffer length as the expected output, but the type (of the output) will be cast if necessary.

#### overwrite\_input

[bool, optional] If True, then allow use of memory of input array  $a$  for calculations. The input array will be modified by the call to `median`. This will save memory when you do not need to preserve the contents of the input array. Treat the input as undefined, but it will probably be fully or partially sorted. Default is False. If `overwrite_input` is True and  $a$  is not already an `ndarray`, an error will be raised.

### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original  $a$ .

If this is anything but the default value it will be passed through (in the special case of an empty array) to the `mean` function of the underlying array. If the array is a sub-class and `mean` does not have the kwarg `keepdims` this will raise a `RuntimeError`.

### Returns

#### median

[ndarray] A new array holding the result. If the input contains integers or floats smaller than `float64`, then the output data-type is `np.float64`. Otherwise, the data-type of the output is the same as that of the input. If `out` is specified, that array is returned instead.

See also:

`mean`, `median`, `percentile`

### Notes

Given a vector  $V$  of length  $N$ , the median of  $V$  is the middle value of a sorted copy of  $V$ ,  $V_{\text{sorted}}$  - i.e.,  $V_{\text{sorted}}[(N-1)/2]$ , when  $N$  is odd and the average of the two middle values of  $V_{\text{sorted}}$  when  $N$  is even.

### Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[10.0, 7, 4], [3, 2, 1]])
>>> a[0, 1] = np.nan
>>> a
array([[10., nan, 4.],
       [3., 2., 1.]])
>>> np.median(a)
nan
>>> np.nanmedian(a)
3.0
>>> np.nanmedian(a, axis=0)
array([6.5, 2., 2.5])
>>> np.median(a, axis=1)
array([nan, 2.])
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> np.nanmedian(b, axis=1, overwrite_input=True)
array([7., 2.])
>>> assert not np.all(a==b)
>>> b = a.copy()
>>> np.nanmedian(b, axis=None, overwrite_input=True)
```

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```
3.0
>>> assert not np.all(a==b)
```

`numpy.nanmean(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, keepdims=<no value>, *, where=<no value>)`

Compute the arithmetic mean along the specified axis, ignoring NaNs.

Returns the average of the array elements. The average is taken over the flattened array by default, otherwise over the specified axis. `float64` intermediate and return values are used for integer inputs.

For all-NaN slices, NaN is returned and a *RuntimeWarning* is raised.

New in version 1.8.0.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose mean is desired. If `a` is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

#### axis

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the means are computed. The default is to compute the mean of the flattened array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Type to use in computing the mean. For integer inputs, the default is `float64`; for inexact inputs, it is the same as the input `dtype`.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. The default is `None`; if provided, it must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type will be cast if necessary. See ufuncs-output-type for more details.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original `a`.

If the value is anything but the default, then `keepdims` will be passed through to the `mean` or `sum` methods of sub-classes of `ndarray`. If the sub-classes methods does not implement `keepdims` any exceptions will be raised.

#### where

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the mean. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

### Returns

#### m

[ndarray, see `dtype` parameter above] If `out=None`, returns a new array containing the mean values, otherwise a reference to the output array is returned. Nan is returned for slices that contain only NaNs.

### See also:

**average**

Weighted average

**mean**

Arithmetic mean taken while not ignoring NaNs

**var, nanvar****Notes**

The arithmetic mean is the sum of the non-NaN elements along the axis divided by the number of non-NaN elements.

Note that for floating-point input, the mean is computed using the same precision the input has. Depending on the input data, this can cause the results to be inaccurate, especially for `float32`. Specifying a higher-precision accumulator using the `dtype` keyword can alleviate this issue.

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, np.nan], [3, 4]])
>>> np.nanmean(a)
2.6666666666666665
>>> np.nanmean(a, axis=0)
array([2., 4.])
>>> np.nanmean(a, axis=1)
array([1., 3.5]) # may vary
```

`numpy.nanstd(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=<no value>, *, where=<no value>)`

Compute the standard deviation along the specified axis, while ignoring NaNs.

Returns the standard deviation, a measure of the spread of a distribution, of the non-NaN array elements. The standard deviation is computed for the flattened array by default, otherwise over the specified axis.

For all-NaN slices or slices with zero degrees of freedom, NaN is returned and a *RuntimeWarning* is raised.

New in version 1.8.0.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Calculate the standard deviation of the non-NaN values.

**axis**

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the standard deviation is computed. The default is to compute the standard deviation of the flattened array.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] Type to use in computing the standard deviation. For arrays of integer type the default is float64, for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.

**out**

[ndarray, optional] Alternative output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output but the type (of the calculated values) will be cast if necessary.

**ddof**

[int, optional] Means Delta Degrees of Freedom. The divisor used in calculations is  $N - ddof$ , where  $N$  represents the number of non-NaN elements. By default  $ddof$  is zero.

**keepdims**

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original  $a$ .

If this value is anything but the default it is passed through as-is to the relevant functions of the sub-classes. If these functions do not have a *keepdims* kwarg, a RuntimeError will be raised.

**where**

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the standard deviation. See [reduce](#) for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

**Returns****standard\_deviations**

[ndarray, see dtype parameter above.] If *out* is None, return a new array containing the standard deviation, otherwise return a reference to the output array. If *ddof* is  $\geq$  the number of non-NaN elements in a slice or the slice contains only NaNs, then the result for that slice is NaN.

**See also:**

[\*\*var, mean, std\*\*](#)

[\*\*nanvar, nanmean\*\*](#)

[\*\*ufuncs-output-type\*\*](#)

**Notes**

The standard deviation is the square root of the average of the squared deviations from the mean:  $std = \sqrt{\text{mean}(\text{abs}(x - x.\text{mean()})^2)}$ .

The average squared deviation is normally calculated as  $x.\text{sum()} / N$ , where  $N = \text{len}(x)$ . If, however, *ddof* is specified, the divisor  $N - ddof$  is used instead. In standard statistical practice, *ddof=1* provides an unbiased estimator of the variance of the infinite population. *ddof=0* provides a maximum likelihood estimate of the variance for normally distributed variables. The standard deviation computed in this function is the square root of the estimated variance, so even with *ddof=1*, it will not be an unbiased estimate of the standard deviation per se.

Note that, for complex numbers, *std* takes the absolute value before squaring, so that the result is always real and nonnegative.

For floating-point input, the *std* is computed using the same precision the input has. Depending on the input data, this can cause the results to be inaccurate, especially for float32 (see example below). Specifying a higher-accuracy accumulator using the *dtype* keyword can alleviate this issue.

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, np.nan], [3, 4]])
>>> np.nanstd(a)
1.247219128924647
>>> np.nanstd(a, axis=0)
array([1., 0.])
>>> np.nanstd(a, axis=1)
array([0., 0.5]) # may vary
```

`numpy.nanvar(a, axis=None, dtype=None, out=None, ddof=0, keepdims=<no value>, *, where=<no value>)`

Compute the variance along the specified axis, while ignoring NaNs.

Returns the variance of the array elements, a measure of the spread of a distribution. The variance is computed for the flattened array by default, otherwise over the specified axis.

For all-NaN slices or slices with zero degrees of freedom, NaN is returned and a *RuntimeWarning* is raised.

New in version 1.8.0.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Array containing numbers whose variance is desired. If *a* is not an array, a conversion is attempted.

#### axis

[{int, tuple of int, None}, optional] Axis or axes along which the variance is computed. The default is to compute the variance of the flattened array.

#### dtype

[data-type, optional] Type to use in computing the variance. For arrays of integer type the default is `float64`; for arrays of float types it is the same as the array type.

#### out

[ndarray, optional] Alternate output array in which to place the result. It must have the same shape as the expected output, but the type is cast if necessary.

#### ddof

[int, optional] “Delta Degrees of Freedom”: the divisor used in the calculation is  $N - ddof$ , where  $N$  represents the number of non-NaN elements. By default *ddof* is zero.

#### keepdims

[bool, optional] If this is set to True, the axes which are reduced are left in the result as dimensions with size one. With this option, the result will broadcast correctly against the original *a*.

#### where

[array\_like of bool, optional] Elements to include in the variance. See `reduce` for details.

New in version 1.22.0.

### Returns

#### variance

[ndarray, see dtype parameter above] If *out* is None, return a new array containing the variance, otherwise return a reference to the output array. If ddof is  $\geq$  the number of non-NaN elements in a slice or the slice contains only NaNs, then the result for that slice is NaN.

**See also:**

**`std`**

Standard deviation

**`mean`**

Average

**`var`**

Variance while not ignoring NaNs

**`nanstd, nanmean`**

**ufuncs-output-type**

## Notes

The variance is the average of the squared deviations from the mean, i.e., `var = mean(abs(x - x.mean()) ** 2)`.

The mean is normally calculated as `x.sum() / N`, where `N = len(x)`. If, however, `ddof` is specified, the divisor `N - ddof` is used instead. In standard statistical practice, `ddof=1` provides an unbiased estimator of the variance of a hypothetical infinite population. `ddof=0` provides a maximum likelihood estimate of the variance for normally distributed variables.

Note that for complex numbers, the absolute value is taken before squaring, so that the result is always real and nonnegative.

For floating-point input, the variance is computed using the same precision the input has. Depending on the input data, this can cause the results to be inaccurate, especially for `float32` (see example below). Specifying a higher-accuracy accumulator using the `dtype` keyword can alleviate this issue.

For this function to work on sub-classes of ndarray, they must define `sum` with the kwarg `keepdims`

## Examples

```
>>> a = np.array([[1, np.nan], [3, 4]])
>>> np.nanvar(a)
1.5555555555555554
>>> np.nanvar(a, axis=0)
array([1.,  0.])
>>> np.nanvar(a, axis=1)
array([0.,  0.25]) # may vary
```

### 5.25.3 Correlating

<code>corrcoef(x[, y, rowvar, bias, ddof, dtype])</code>	Return Pearson product-moment correlation coefficients.
<code>correlate(a, v[, mode])</code>	Cross-correlation of two 1-dimensional sequences.
<code>cov(m[, y, rowvar, bias, ddof, fweights, ...])</code>	Estimate a covariance matrix, given data and weights.

`numpy.corrcoef(x, y=None, rowvar=True, bias=<no value>, ddof=<no value>, *, dtype=None)`

Return Pearson product-moment correlation coefficients.

Please refer to the documentation for `cov` for more detail. The relationship between the correlation coefficient matrix,  $R$ , and the covariance matrix,  $C$ , is

$$R_{ij} = \frac{C_{ij}}{\sqrt{C_{ii}C_{jj}}}$$

The values of  $R$  are between -1 and 1, inclusive.

#### Parameters

##### x

[array\_like] A 1-D or 2-D array containing multiple variables and observations. Each row of  $x$  represents a variable, and each column a single observation of all those variables. Also see `rowvar` below.

##### y

[array\_like, optional] An additional set of variables and observations.  $y$  has the same shape as  $x$ .

##### rowvar

[bool, optional] If `rowvar` is True (default), then each row represents a variable, with observations in the columns. Otherwise, the relationship is transposed: each column represents a variable, while the rows contain observations.

##### bias

[\_NoValue, optional] Has no effect, do not use.

Deprecated since version 1.10.0.

##### ddof

[\_NoValue, optional] Has no effect, do not use.

Deprecated since version 1.10.0.

##### dtype

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the result. By default, the return data-type will have at least `numpy.float64` precision.

New in version 1.20.

#### Returns

##### R

[ndarray] The correlation coefficient matrix of the variables.

#### See also:

**cov**

Covariance matrix

**Notes**

Due to floating point rounding the resulting array may not be Hermitian, the diagonal elements may not be 1, and the elements may not satisfy the inequality  $\text{abs}(a) \leq 1$ . The real and imaginary parts are clipped to the interval  $[-1, 1]$  in an attempt to improve on that situation but is not much help in the complex case.

This function accepts but discards arguments *bias* and *ddof*. This is for backwards compatibility with previous versions of this function. These arguments had no effect on the return values of the function and can be safely ignored in this and previous versions of numpy.

**Examples**

In this example we generate two random arrays, `xarr` and `yarr`, and compute the row-wise and column-wise Pearson correlation coefficients, `R`. Since `rowvar` is true by default, we first find the row-wise Pearson correlation coefficients between the variables of `xarr`.

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng(seed=42)
>>> xarr = rng.random((3, 3))
>>> xarr
array([[0.77395605, 0.43887844, 0.85859792],
       [0.69736803, 0.09417735, 0.97562235],
       [0.7611397 , 0.78606431, 0.12811363]])
>>> R1 = np.corrcoef(xarr)
>>> R1
array([[ 1.          ,  0.99256089, -0.68080986],
       [ 0.99256089,  1.          , -0.76492172],
       [-0.68080986, -0.76492172,  1.          ]])
```

If we add another set of variables and observations `yarr`, we can compute the row-wise Pearson correlation coefficients between the variables in `xarr` and `yarr`.

```
>>> yarr = rng.random((3, 3))
>>> yarr
array([[0.45038594, 0.37079802, 0.92676499],
       [0.64386512, 0.82276161, 0.4434142 ],
       [0.22723872, 0.55458479, 0.06381726]])
>>> R2 = np.corrcoef(xarr, yarr)
>>> R2
array([[ 1.          ,  0.99256089, -0.68080986,  0.75008178, -0.934284  ,
       -0.99004057],
       [ 0.99256089,  1.          , -0.76492172,  0.82502011, -0.97074098,
       -0.99981569],
       [-0.68080986, -0.76492172,  1.          , -0.99507202,  0.89721355,
       0.77714685],
       [ 0.75008178,  0.82502011, -0.99507202,  1.          , -0.93657855,
       -0.83571711],
       [-0.934284  , -0.97074098,  0.89721355, -0.93657855,  1.          ,
       0.97517215],
       [-0.99004057, -0.99981569,  0.77714685, -0.83571711,  0.97517215,
       1.          ]])
```

Finally if we use the option `rowvar=False`, the columns are now being treated as the variables and we will find the column-wise Pearson correlation coefficients between variables in `xarr` and `yarr`.

```
>>> R3 = np.corrcoef(xarr, yarr, rowvar=False)
>>> R3
array([[ 1.          ,  0.77598074, -0.47458546, -0.75078643, -0.9665554 ,
         0.22423734],
       [ 0.77598074,  1.          , -0.92346708, -0.99923895, -0.58826587,
        -0.44069024],
       [-0.47458546, -0.92346708,  1.          ,  0.93773029,  0.23297648,
         0.75137473],
       [-0.75078643, -0.99923895,  0.93773029,  1.          ,  0.55627469,
         0.47536961],
       [-0.9665554 , -0.58826587,  0.23297648,  0.55627469,  1.          ,
        -0.46666491],
       [ 0.22423734, -0.44069024,  0.75137473,  0.47536961, -0.46666491,
         1.        ]])
```

`numpy.correlate(a, v, mode='valid')`

Cross-correlation of two 1-dimensional sequences.

This function computes the correlation as generally defined in signal processing texts:

$$c_k = \sum_n a_{n+k} \cdot \overline{v_n}$$

with `a` and `v` sequences being zero-padded where necessary and  $\bar{x}$  denoting complex conjugation.

### Parameters

**a, v**

[array\_like] Input sequences.

**mode**

[{'valid', 'same', 'full'}, optional] Refer to the `convolve` docstring. Note that the default is 'valid', unlike `convolve`, which uses 'full'.

**old\_behavior**

[bool] `old_behavior` was removed in NumPy 1.10. If you need the old behavior, use `multicorrelate`.

### Returns

**out**

[ndarray] Discrete cross-correlation of `a` and `v`.

**See also:**

**convolve**

Discrete, linear convolution of two one-dimensional sequences.

**multicorrelate**

Old, no conjugate, version of correlate.

**scipy.signal.correlate**

uses FFT which has superior performance on large arrays.

## Notes

The definition of correlation above is not unique and sometimes correlation may be defined differently. Another common definition is:

$$c'_k = \sum_n a_n \cdot \overline{v_{n+k}}$$

which is related to  $c_k$  by  $c'_k = c_{-k}$ .

`numpy.correlate` may perform slowly in large arrays (i.e.  $n = 1e5$ ) because it does not use the FFT to compute the convolution; in that case, `scipy.signal.correlate` might be preferable.

## Examples

```
>>> np.correlate([1, 2, 3], [0, 1, 0.5])
array([3.5])
>>> np.correlate([1, 2, 3], [0, 1, 0.5], "same")
array([2., 3.5, 3.])
>>> np.correlate([1, 2, 3], [0, 1, 0.5], "full")
array([0.5, 2., 3.5, 3., 0.])
```

Using complex sequences:

```
>>> np.correlate([1+1j, 2, 3-1j], [0, 1, 0.5j], 'full')
array([ 0.5-0.5j, 1.0+0.j, 1.5-1.5j, 3.0-1.j, 0.0+0.j])
```

Note that you get the time reversed, complex conjugated result ( $\bar{c}_{-k}$ ) when the two input sequences  $a$  and  $v$  change places:

```
>>> np.correlate([0, 1, 0.5j], [1+1j, 2, 3-1j], 'full')
array([ 0.0+0.j, 3.0+1.j, 1.5+1.5j, 1.0+0.j, 0.5+0.5j])
```

`numpy.cov(m, y=None, rowvar=True, bias=False, ddof=None, fweights=None, aweights=None, *, dtype=None)`

Estimate a covariance matrix, given data and weights.

Covariance indicates the level to which two variables vary together. If we examine N-dimensional samples,  $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N]^T$ , then the covariance matrix element  $C_{ij}$  is the covariance of  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ . The element  $C_{ii}$  is the variance of  $x_i$ .

See the notes for an outline of the algorithm.

## Parameters

### m

[array\_like] A 1-D or 2-D array containing multiple variables and observations. Each row of  $m$  represents a variable, and each column a single observation of all those variables. Also see `rowvar` below.

### y

[array\_like, optional] An additional set of variables and observations.  $y$  has the same form as that of  $m$ .

### rowvar

[bool, optional] If `rowvar` is True (default), then each row represents a variable, with observations in the columns. Otherwise, the relationship is transposed: each column represents a variable, while the rows contain observations.

**bias**

[bool, optional] Default normalization (False) is by  $(N - 1)$ , where N is the number of observations given (unbiased estimate). If *bias* is True, then normalization is by N. These values can be overridden by using the keyword *ddof* in numpy versions  $\geq 1.5$ .

**ddof**

[int, optional] If not None the default value implied by *bias* is overridden. Note that *ddof*=1 will return the unbiased estimate, even if both *fweights* and *aweights* are specified, and *ddof*=0 will return the simple average. See the notes for the details. The default value is None.

New in version 1.5.

**fweights**

[array\_like, int, optional] 1-D array of integer frequency weights; the number of times each observation vector should be repeated.

New in version 1.10.

**aweights**

[array\_like, optional] 1-D array of observation vector weights. These relative weights are typically large for observations considered “important” and smaller for observations considered less “important”. If *ddof*=0 the array of weights can be used to assign probabilities to observation vectors.

New in version 1.10.

**dtype**

[data-type, optional] Data-type of the result. By default, the return data-type will have at least `numpy.float64` precision.

New in version 1.20.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The covariance matrix of the variables.

**See also:****`corrcoef`**

Normalized covariance matrix

**Notes**

Assume that the observations are in the columns of the observation array *m* and let *f* = *fweights* and *a* = *aweights* for brevity. The steps to compute the weighted covariance are as follows:

```
>>> m = np.arange(10, dtype=np.float64)
>>> f = np.arange(10) * 2
>>> a = np.arange(10) ** 2.
>>> ddof = 1
>>> w = f * a
>>> v1 = np.sum(w)
>>> v2 = np.sum(w * a)
```

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```
>>> m -= np.sum(m * w, axis=None, keepdims=True) / v1
>>> cov = np.dot(m * w, m.T) * v1 / (v1**2 - ddof * v2)
```

Note that when  $a == 1$ , the normalization factor  $v1 / (v1**2 - ddof * v2)$  goes over to  $1 / (np.sum(f) - ddof)$  as it should.

## Examples

Consider two variables,  $x_0$  and  $x_1$ , which correlate perfectly, but in opposite directions:

```
>>> x = np.array([[0, 2], [1, 1], [2, 0]]).T
>>> x
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [2, 1, 0]])
```

Note how  $x_0$  increases while  $x_1$  decreases. The covariance matrix shows this clearly:

```
>>> np.cov(x)
array([[ 1., -1.],
       [-1.,  1.]])
```

Note that element  $C_{0,1}$ , which shows the correlation between  $x_0$  and  $x_1$ , is negative.

Further, note how  $x$  and  $y$  are combined:

```
>>> x = [-2.1, -1, 4.3]
>>> y = [3, 1.1, 0.12]
>>> X = np.stack((x, y), axis=0)
>>> np.cov(X)
array([[11.71, -4.286], # may vary
       [-4.286, 2.144133]])
>>> np.cov(x, y)
array([[11.71, -4.286], # may vary
       [-4.286, 2.144133]])
>>> np.cov(x)
array(11.71)
```

## 5.25.4 Histograms

<code>histogram(a[, bins, range, normed, weights, ...])</code>	Compute the histogram of a dataset.
<code>histogram2d(x, y[, bins, range, normed, ...])</code>	Compute the bi-dimensional histogram of two data samples.
<code>histogramdd(sample[, bins, range, normed, ...])</code>	Compute the multidimensional histogram of some data.
<code>bincount(x, /[, weights, minlength])</code>	Count number of occurrences of each value in array of non-negative ints.
<code>histogram_bin_edges(a[, bins, range, weights])</code>	Function to calculate only the edges of the bins used by the <code>histogram</code> function.
<code>digitize(x, bins[, right])</code>	Return the indices of the bins to which each value in input array belongs.

`numpy.histogram(a, bins=10, range=None, normed=None, weights=None, density=None)`

Compute the histogram of a dataset.

**Parameters****a**

[array\_like] Input data. The histogram is computed over the flattened array.

**bins**

[int or sequence of scalars or str, optional] If *bins* is an int, it defines the number of equal-width bins in the given range (10, by default). If *bins* is a sequence, it defines a monotonically increasing array of bin edges, including the rightmost edge, allowing for non-uniform bin widths.

New in version 1.11.0.

If *bins* is a string, it defines the method used to calculate the optimal bin width, as defined by `histogram_bin_edges`.

**range**

[(float, float), optional] The lower and upper range of the bins. If not provided, range is simply `(a.min(), a.max())`. Values outside the range are ignored. The first element of the range must be less than or equal to the second. *range* affects the automatic bin computation as well. While bin width is computed to be optimal based on the actual data within *range*, the bin count will fill the entire range including portions containing no data.

**normed**

[bool, optional] Deprecated since version 1.6.0.

This is equivalent to the *density* argument, but produces incorrect results for unequal bin widths. It should not be used.

Changed in version 1.15.0: DeprecationWarnings are actually emitted.

**weights**

[array\_like, optional] An array of weights, of the same shape as *a*. Each value in *a* only contributes its associated weight towards the bin count (instead of 1). If *density* is True, the weights are normalized, so that the integral of the density over the range remains 1.

**density**

[bool, optional] If `False`, the result will contain the number of samples in each bin. If `True`, the result is the value of the probability *density* function at the bin, normalized such that the *integral* over the range is 1. Note that the sum of the histogram values will not be equal to 1 unless bins of unity width are chosen; it is not a probability *mass* function.

Overrides the *normed* keyword if given.

**Returns****hist**

[array] The values of the histogram. See *density* and *weights* for a description of the possible semantics.

**bin\_edges**

[array of dtype float] Return the bin edges `(length(hist)+1)`.

**See also:**

`histogramdd`, `bincount`, `searchsorted`, `digitize`, `histogram_bin_edges`

## Notes

All but the last (righthand-most) bin is half-open. In other words, if *bins* is:

```
[1, 2, 3, 4]
```

then the first bin is [1, 2) (including 1, but excluding 2) and the second [2, 3). The last bin, however, is [3, 4], which *includes* 4.

## Examples

```
>>> np.histogram([1, 2, 1], bins=[0, 1, 2, 3])
(array([0, 2, 1]), array([0, 1, 2, 3]))
>>> np.histogram(np.arange(4), bins=np.arange(5), density=True)
(array([0.25, 0.25, 0.25, 0.25]), array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4]))
>>> np.histogram([[1, 2, 1], [1, 0, 1]], bins=[0,1,2,3])
(array([1, 4, 1]), array([0, 1, 2, 3]))
```

```
>>> a = np.arange(5)
>>> hist, bin_edges = np.histogram(a, density=True)
>>> hist
array([0.5, 0., 0.5, 0., 0., 0.5, 0., 0.5, 0., 0.5])
>>> hist.sum()
2.4999999999999996
>>> np.sum(hist * np.diff(bin_edges))
1.0
```

New in version 1.11.0.

Automated Bin Selection Methods example, using 2 peak random data with 2000 points:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> rng = np.random.RandomState(10) # deterministic random data
>>> a = np.hstack((rng.normal(size=1000),
...                 rng.normal(loc=5, scale=2, size=1000)))
>>> _ = plt.hist(a, bins='auto') # arguments are passed to np.histogram
>>> plt.title("Histogram with 'auto' bins")
Text(0.5, 1.0, "Histogram with 'auto' bins")
>>> plt.show()
```

`numpy.histogram2d(x, y, bins=10, range=None, normed=None, weights=None, density=None)`

Compute the bi-dimensional histogram of two data samples.

### Parameters

#### x

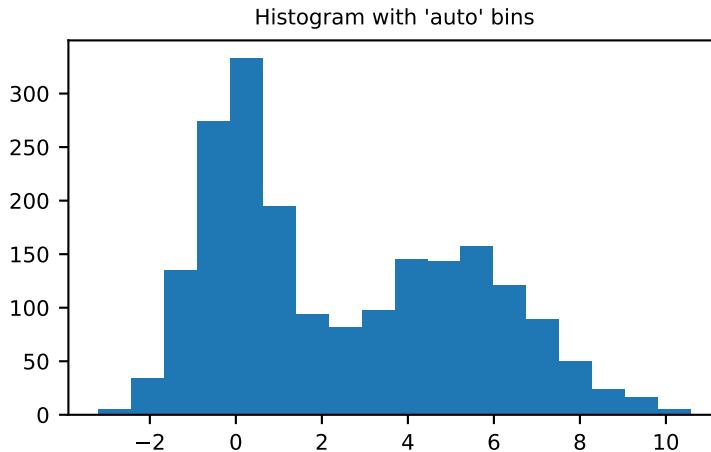
[array\_like, shape (N,)] An array containing the x coordinates of the points to be histogrammed.

#### y

[array\_like, shape (N,)] An array containing the y coordinates of the points to be histogrammed.

#### bins

[int or array\_like or [int, int] or [array, array], optional] The bin specification:



- If int, the number of bins for the two dimensions (`nx=ny=bins`).
- If array\_like, the bin edges for the two dimensions (`x_edges=y_edges=bins`).
- If [int, int], the number of bins in each dimension (`nx, ny = bins`).
- If [array, array], the bin edges in each dimension (`x_edges, y_edges = bins`).
- A combination [int, array] or [array, int], where int is the number of bins and array is the bin edges.

### range

[array\_like, shape(2,2), optional] The leftmost and rightmost edges of the bins along each dimension (if not specified explicitly in the `bins` parameters): `[[xmin, xmax], [ymin, ymax]]`. All values outside of this range will be considered outliers and not tallied in the histogram.

### density

[bool, optional] If False, the default, returns the number of samples in each bin. If True, returns the probability *density* function at the bin, `bin_count / sample_count / bin_area`.

### normed

[bool, optional] An alias for the density argument that behaves identically. To avoid confusion with the broken normed argument to `histogram`, `density` should be preferred.

### weights

[array\_like, shape(N,), optional] An array of values `w_i` weighing each sample (`x_i, y_i`). Weights are normalized to 1 if `normed` is True. If `normed` is False, the values of the returned histogram are equal to the sum of the weights belonging to the samples falling into each bin.

## Returns

### H

[ndarray, shape(nx, ny)] The bi-dimensional histogram of samples  $x$  and  $y$ . Values in  $x$  are histogrammed along the first dimension and values in  $y$  are histogrammed along the second dimension.

**xedges**

[ndarray, shape(nx+1,)] The bin edges along the first dimension.

**yedges**

[ndarray, shape(ny+1,)] The bin edges along the second dimension.

**See also:**

*histogram*

1D histogram

*histogramdd*

Multidimensional histogram

**Notes**

When *normed* is True, then the returned histogram is the sample density, defined such that the sum over bins of the product `bin_value * bin_area` is 1.

Please note that the histogram does not follow the Cartesian convention where  $x$  values are on the abscissa and  $y$  values on the ordinate axis. Rather,  $x$  is histogrammed along the first dimension of the array (vertical), and  $y$  along the second dimension of the array (horizontal). This ensures compatibility with *histogramdd*.

**Examples**

```
>>> from matplotlib.image import NonUniformImage
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

Construct a 2-D histogram with variable bin width. First define the bin edges:

```
>>> xedges = [0, 1, 3, 5]
>>> yedges = [0, 2, 3, 4, 6]
```

Next we create a histogram  $H$  with random bin content:

```
>>> x = np.random.normal(2, 1, 100)
>>> y = np.random.normal(1, 1, 100)
>>> H, xedges, yedges = np.histogram2d(x, y, bins=(xedges, yedges))
>>> # Histogram does not follow Cartesian convention (see Notes),
>>> # therefore transpose H for visualization purposes.
>>> H = H.T
```

`imshow` can only display square bins:

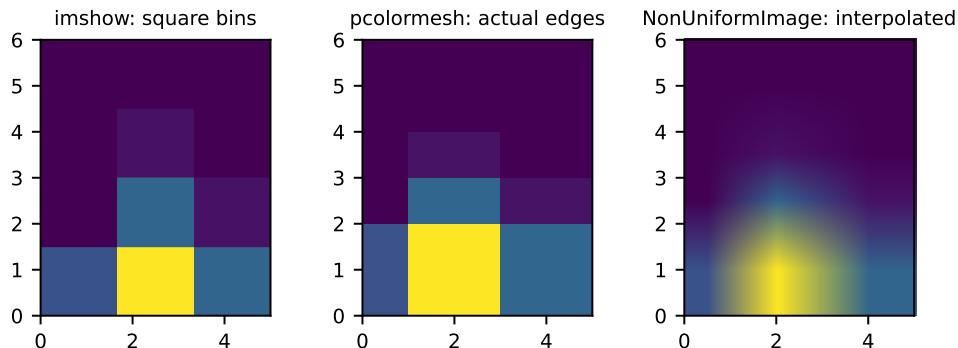
```
>>> fig = plt.figure(figsize=(7, 3))
>>> ax = fig.add_subplot(131, title='imshow: square bins')
>>> plt.imshow(H, interpolation='nearest', origin='lower',
...             extent=[xedges[0], xedges[-1], yedges[0], yedges[-1]])
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage object at 0x...>
```

`pcolormesh` can display actual edges:

```
>>> ax = fig.add_subplot(132, title='pcolormesh: actual edges',
...                     aspect='equal')
>>> X, Y = np.meshgrid(xedges, yedges)
>>> ax.pcolormesh(X, Y, H)
<matplotlib.collections.QuadMesh object at 0x...>
```

`NonUniformImage` can be used to display actual bin edges with interpolation:

```
>>> ax = fig.add_subplot(133, title='NonUniformImage: interpolated',
...                     aspect='equal', xlim=xedges[[0, -1]], ylim=yedges[[0, -1]])
>>> im = NonUniformImage(ax, interpolation='bilinear')
>>> xcenters = (xedges[:-1] + xedges[1:]) / 2
>>> ycenters = (yedges[:-1] + yedges[1:]) / 2
>>> im.set_data(xcenters, ycenters, H)
>>> ax.images.append(im)
>>> plt.show()
```



It is also possible to construct a 2-D histogram without specifying bin edges:

```
>>> # Generate non-symmetric test data
>>> n = 10000
>>> x = np.linspace(1, 100, n)
>>> y = 2*np.log(x) + np.random.rand(n) - 0.5
>>> # Compute 2d histogram. Note the order of x/y and xedges/yedges
>>> H, yedges, xedges = np.histogram2d(y, x, bins=20)
```

Now we can plot the histogram using `pcolormesh`, and a `hexbin` for comparison.

```
>>> # Plot histogram using pcolormesh
>>> fig, (ax1, ax2) = plt.subplots(ncols=2, sharey=True)
>>> ax1.pcolormesh(xedges, yedges, H, cmap='rainbow')
>>> ax1.plot(x, 2*np.log(x), 'k-')
>>> ax1.set_xlim(x.min(), x.max())
>>> ax1.set_ylim(y.min(), y.max())
>>> ax1.set_xlabel('x')
>>> ax1.set_ylabel('y')
```

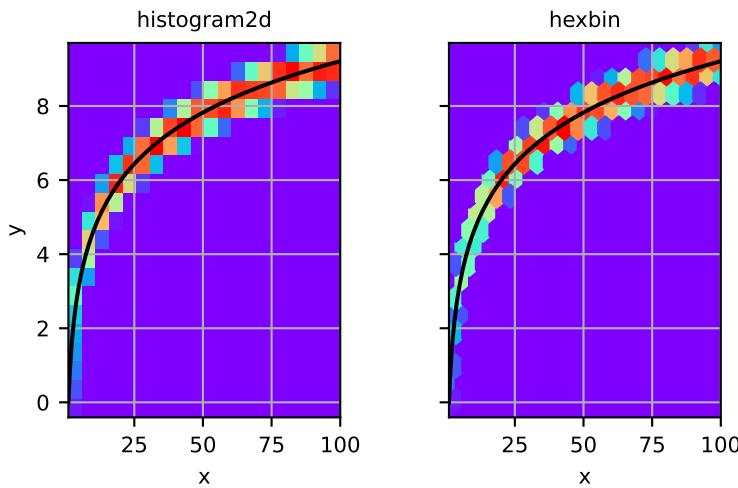
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```
>>> ax1.set_title('histogram2d')
>>> ax1.grid()

>>> # Create hexbin plot for comparison
>>> ax2.hexbin(x, y, gridsize=20, cmap='rainbow')
>>> ax2.plot(x, 2*np.log(x), 'k-')
>>> ax2.set_title('hexbin')
>>> ax2.set_xlim(x.min(), x.max())
>>> ax2.set_xlabel('x')
>>> ax2.grid()

>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.histogramdd(sample, bins=10, range=None, normed=None, weights=None, density=None)`

Compute the multidimensional histogram of some data.

### Parameters

#### sample

[(N, D) array, or (D, N) array\_like] The data to be histogrammed.

Note the unusual interpretation of sample when an array\_like:

- When an array, each row is a coordinate in a D-dimensional space - such as `histogramdd(np.array([p1, p2, p3]))`.
- When an array\_like, each element is the list of values for single coordinate - such as `histogramdd((X, Y, Z))`.

The first form should be preferred.

#### bins

[sequence or int, optional] The bin specification:

- A sequence of arrays describing the monotonically increasing bin edges along each dimension.

- The number of bins for each dimension (nx, ny, ... =bins)
- The number of bins for all dimensions (nx=ny=...=bins).

**range**

[sequence, optional] A sequence of length D, each an optional (lower, upper) tuple giving the outer bin edges to be used if the edges are not given explicitly in *bins*. An entry of None in the sequence results in the minimum and maximum values being used for the corresponding dimension. The default, None, is equivalent to passing a tuple of D None values.

**density**

[bool, optional] If False, the default, returns the number of samples in each bin. If True, returns the probability *density* function at the bin, `bin_count / sample_count / bin_volume`.

**normed**

[bool, optional] An alias for the density argument that behaves identically. To avoid confusion with the broken normed argument to [histogram](#), *density* should be preferred.

**weights**

[(N,) array\_like, optional] An array of values *w\_i* weighing each sample (*x\_i*, *y\_i*, *z\_i*, ...). Weights are normalized to 1 if normed is True. If normed is False, the values of the returned histogram are equal to the sum of the weights belonging to the samples falling into each bin.

**Returns****H**

[ndarray] The multidimensional histogram of sample x. See normed and weights for the different possible semantics.

**edges**

[list] A list of D arrays describing the bin edges for each dimension.

**See also:**[\*histogram\*](#)

1-D histogram

[\*histogram2d\*](#)

2-D histogram

**Examples**

```
>>> r = np.random.randn(100, 3)
>>> H, edges = np.histogramdd(r, bins = (5, 8, 4))
>>> H.shape, edges[0].size, edges[1].size, edges[2].size
((5, 8, 4), 6, 9, 5)
```

`numpy.bincount(x, /, weights=None, minlength=0)`

Count number of occurrences of each value in array of non-negative ints.

The number of bins (of size 1) is one larger than the largest value in *x*. If *minlength* is specified, there will be at least this number of bins in the output array (though it will be longer if necessary, depending on the contents of *x*).

Each bin gives the number of occurrences of its index value in  $x$ . If *weights* is specified the input array is weighted by it, i.e. if a value  $n$  is found at position  $i$ ,  $\text{out}[n] += \text{weight}[i]$  instead of  $\text{out}[n] += 1$ .

## Parameters

### **x**

[array\_like, 1 dimension, nonnegative ints] Input array.

### **weights**

[array\_like, optional] Weights, array of the same shape as  $x$ .

### **minlength**

[int, optional] A minimum number of bins for the output array.

New in version 1.6.0.

## Returns

### **out**

[ndarray of ints] The result of binning the input array. The length of *out* is equal to  $\text{np.amax}(x) + 1$ .

## Raises

### **ValueError**

If the input is not 1-dimensional, or contains elements with negative values, or if *minlength* is negative.

### **TypeError**

If the type of the input is float or complex.

## See also:

[histogram](#), [digitize](#), [unique](#)

## Examples

```
>>> np.bincount(np.arange(5))
array([1, 1, 1, 1, 1])
>>> np.bincount(np.array([0, 1, 1, 3, 2, 1, 7]))
array([1, 3, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1])
```

```
>>> x = np.array([0, 1, 1, 3, 2, 1, 7, 23])
>>> np.bincount(x).size == np.amax(x)+1
True
```

The input array needs to be of integer dtype, otherwise a **TypeError** is raised:

```
>>> np.bincount(np.arange(5, dtype=float))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: Cannot cast array data from dtype('float64') to dtype('int64')
according to the rule 'safe'
```

A possible use of `bincount` is to perform sums over variable-size chunks of an array, using the `weights` keyword.

```
>>> w = np.array([0.3, 0.5, 0.2, 0.7, 1., -0.6]) # weights
>>> x = np.array([0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2])
>>> np.bincount(x, weights=w)
array([ 0.3,  0.7,  1.1])
```

`numpy.histogram_bin_edges(a, bins=10, range=None, weights=None)`

Function to calculate only the edges of the bins used by the `histogram` function.

### Parameters

#### a

[array\_like] Input data. The histogram is computed over the flattened array.

#### bins

[int or sequence of scalars or str, optional] If `bins` is an int, it defines the number of equal-width bins in the given range (10, by default). If `bins` is a sequence, it defines the bin edges, including the rightmost edge, allowing for non-uniform bin widths.

If `bins` is a string from the list below, `histogram_bin_edges` will use the method chosen to calculate the optimal bin width and consequently the number of bins (see *Notes* for more detail on the estimators) from the data that falls within the requested range. While the bin width will be optimal for the actual data in the range, the number of bins will be computed to fill the entire range, including the empty portions. For visualisation, using the ‘auto’ option is suggested. Weighted data is not supported for automated bin size selection.

#### ‘auto’

Maximum of the ‘sturges’ and ‘fd’ estimators. Provides good all around performance.

#### ‘fd’ (Freedman Diaconis Estimator)

Robust (resilient to outliers) estimator that takes into account data variability and data size.

#### ‘doane’

An improved version of Sturges’ estimator that works better with non-normal datasets.

#### ‘scott’

Less robust estimator that takes into account data variability and data size.

#### ‘stone’

Estimator based on leave-one-out cross-validation estimate of the integrated squared error.  
Can be regarded as a generalization of Scott’s rule.

#### ‘rice’

Estimator does not take variability into account, only data size. Commonly overestimates number of bins required.

#### ‘sturges’

R’s default method, only accounts for data size. Only optimal for gaussian data and under-estimates number of bins for large non-gaussian datasets.

#### ‘sqrt’

Square root (of data size) estimator, used by Excel and other programs for its speed and simplicity.

**range**

[(float, float), optional] The lower and upper range of the bins. If not provided, range is simply `(a.min(), a.max())`. Values outside the range are ignored. The first element of the range must be less than or equal to the second. *range* affects the automatic bin computation as well. While bin width is computed to be optimal based on the actual data within *range*, the bin count will fill the entire range including portions containing no data.

**weights**

[array\_like, optional] An array of weights, of the same shape as *a*. Each value in *a* only contributes its associated weight towards the bin count (instead of 1). This is currently not used by any of the bin estimators, but may be in the future.

**Returns****bin\_edges**

[array of dtype float] The edges to pass into `histogram`

**See also:****`histogram`****Notes**

The methods to estimate the optimal number of bins are well founded in literature, and are inspired by the choices R provides for histogram visualisation. Note that having the number of bins proportional to  $n^{1/3}$  is asymptotically optimal, which is why it appears in most estimators. These are simply plug-in methods that give good starting points for number of bins. In the equations below, *h* is the binwidth and  $n_h$  is the number of bins. All estimators that compute bin counts are recast to bin width using the `ptp` of the data. The final bin count is obtained from `np.round(np.ceil(range / h))`. The final bin width is often less than what is returned by the estimators below.

**‘auto’ (maximum of the ‘sturges’ and ‘fd’ estimators)**

A compromise to get a good value. For small datasets the Sturges value will usually be chosen, while larger datasets will usually default to FD. Avoids the overly conservative behaviour of FD and Sturges for small and large datasets respectively. Switchover point is usually  $a.size \approx 1000$ .

**‘fd’ (Freedman Diaconis Estimator)**

$$h = 2 \frac{IQR}{n^{1/3}}$$

The binwidth is proportional to the interquartile range (IQR) and inversely proportional to cube root of *a.size*. Can be too conservative for small datasets, but is quite good for large datasets. The IQR is very robust to outliers.

**‘scott’**

$$h = \sigma \sqrt[3]{\frac{24\sqrt{\pi}}{n}}$$

The binwidth is proportional to the standard deviation of the data and inversely proportional to cube root of *x.size*. Can be too conservative for small datasets, but is quite good for large datasets. The standard

deviation is not very robust to outliers. Values are very similar to the Freedman-Diaconis estimator in the absence of outliers.

#### ‘rice’

$$n_h = 2n^{1/3}$$

The number of bins is only proportional to cube root of `a.size`. It tends to overestimate the number of bins and it does not take into account data variability.

#### ‘sturges’

$$n_h = \log_2(n) + 1$$

The number of bins is the base 2 log of `a.size`. This estimator assumes normality of data and is too conservative for larger, non-normal datasets. This is the default method in R’s `hist` method.

#### ‘doane’

$$\begin{aligned} n_h &= 1 + \log_2(n) + \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{|g_1|}{\sigma_{g_1}} \right) \\ g_1 &= \text{mean} \left[ \left( \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^3 \right] \\ \sigma_{g_1} &= \sqrt{\frac{6(n-2)}{(n+1)(n+3)}} \end{aligned}$$

An improved version of Sturges’ formula that produces better estimates for non-normal datasets. This estimator attempts to account for the skew of the data.

#### ‘sqrt’

$$n_h = \sqrt{n}$$

The simplest and fastest estimator. Only takes into account the data size.

## Examples

```
>>> arr = np.array([0, 0, 0, 1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5])
>>> np.histogram_bin_edges(arr, bins='auto', range=(0, 1))
array([0. , 0.25, 0.5 , 0.75, 1. ])
>>> np.histogram_bin_edges(arr, bins=2)
array([0. , 2.5, 5. ])
```

For consistency with histogram, an array of pre-computed bins is passed through unmodified:

```
>>> np.histogram_bin_edges(arr, [1, 2])
array([1, 2])
```

This function allows one set of bins to be computed, and reused across multiple histograms:

```
>>> shared_bins = np.histogram_bin_edges(arr, bins='auto')
>>> shared_bins
array([0., 1., 2., 3., 4., 5.])
```

```
>>> group_id = np.array([0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1])
>>> hist_0, _ = np.histogram(arr[group_id == 0], bins=shared_bins)
>>> hist_1, _ = np.histogram(arr[group_id == 1], bins=shared_bins)
```

```
>>> hist_0; hist_1
array([1, 1, 0, 1, 0])
array([2, 0, 1, 1, 2])
```

Which gives more easily comparable results than using separate bins for each histogram:

```
>>> hist_0, bins_0 = np.histogram(arr[group_id == 0], bins='auto')
>>> hist_1, bins_1 = np.histogram(arr[group_id == 1], bins='auto')
>>> hist_0; hist_1
array([1, 1, 1])
array([2, 1, 1, 2])
>>> bins_0; bins_1
array([0., 1., 2., 3.])
array([0., 1.25, 2.5, 3.75, 5.])
```

### `numpy.digitize(x, bins, right=False)`

Return the indices of the bins to which each value in input array belongs.

<i>right</i>	order of bins	returned index <i>i</i> satisfies
False	increasing	$\text{bins}[i-1] \leq x < \text{bins}[i]$
True	increasing	$\text{bins}[i-1] < x \leq \text{bins}[i]$
False	decreasing	$\text{bins}[i-1] > x \geq \text{bins}[i]$
True	decreasing	$\text{bins}[i-1] \geq x > \text{bins}[i]$

If values in *x* are beyond the bounds of *bins*, 0 or `len(bins)` is returned as appropriate.

#### Parameters

##### `x`

[array\_like] Input array to be binned. Prior to NumPy 1.10.0, this array had to be 1-dimensional, but can now have any shape.

##### `bins`

[array\_like] Array of bins. It has to be 1-dimensional and monotonic.

##### `right`

[bool, optional] Indicating whether the intervals include the right or the left bin edge. Default behavior is (`right==False`) indicating that the interval does not include the right edge. The left bin end is open in this case, i.e.,  $\text{bins}[i-1] \leq x < \text{bins}[i]$  is the default behavior for monotonically increasing bins.

#### Returns

##### `indices`

[ndarray of ints] Output array of indices, of same shape as *x*.

## Raises

### **ValueError**

If *bins* is not monotonic.

### **TypeError**

If the type of the input is complex.

## See also:

`bincount, histogram, unique, searchsorted`

## Notes

If values in *x* are such that they fall outside the bin range, attempting to index *bins* with the indices that `digitize` returns will result in an IndexError.

New in version 1.10.0.

`np.digitize` is implemented in terms of `np.searchsorted`. This means that a binary search is used to bin the values, which scales much better for larger number of bins than the previous linear search. It also removes the requirement for the input array to be 1-dimensional.

For monotonically \_increasing\_ *bins*, the following are equivalent:

```
np.digitize(x, bins, right=True)
np.searchsorted(bins, x, side='left')
```

Note that as the order of the arguments are reversed, the side must be too. The `searchsorted` call is marginally faster, as it does not do any monotonicity checks. Perhaps more importantly, it supports all dtypes.

## Examples

```
>>> x = np.array([0.2, 6.4, 3.0, 1.6])
>>> bins = np.array([0.0, 1.0, 2.5, 4.0, 10.0])
>>> inds = np.digitize(x, bins)
>>> inds
array([1, 4, 3, 2])
>>> for n in range(x.size):
...     print(bins[inds[n]-1], "<=", x[n], "<", bins[inds[n]])
...
0.0 <= 0.2 < 1.0
4.0 <= 6.4 < 10.0
2.5 <= 3.0 < 4.0
1.0 <= 1.6 < 2.5
```

```
>>> x = np.array([1.2, 10.0, 12.4, 15.5, 20.])
>>> bins = np.array([0, 5, 10, 15, 20])
>>> np.digitize(x,bins,right=True)
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 4])
>>> np.digitize(x,bins,right=False)
array([1, 3, 3, 4, 5])
```

## 5.26 Test Support (`numpy.testing`)

Common test support for all numpy test scripts.

This single module should provide all the common functionality for numpy tests in a single location, so that test scripts can just import it and work right away. For background, see the [Testing Guidelines](#)

### 5.26.1 Asserts

<code>assert_allclose(actual, desired[, rtol, ...])</code>	Raises an <code>AssertionError</code> if two objects are not equal up to desired tolerance.
<code>assert_array_almost_equal_nulp(x, y[, nulp])</code>	Compare two arrays relatively to their spacing.
<code>assert_array_max_ulp(a, b[, maxulp, dtype])</code>	Check that all items of arrays differ in at most N Units in the Last Place.
<code>assert_array_equal(x, y[, err_msg, verbose])</code>	Raises an <code>AssertionError</code> if two array_like objects are not equal.
<code>assert_array_less(x, y[, err_msg, verbose])</code>	Raises an <code>AssertionError</code> if two array_like objects are not ordered by less than.
<code>assert_equal(actual, desired[, err_msg, verbose])</code>	Raises an <code>AssertionError</code> if two objects are not equal.
<code>assert_raises(assert_raises)</code>	Fail unless an exception of class <code>exception_class</code> is thrown by callable when invoked with arguments <code>args</code> and keyword arguments <code>kwargs</code> .
<code>assert_raises_regex(exception_class, ...)</code>	Fail unless an exception of class <code>exception_class</code> and with message that matches <code>expected_regexp</code> is thrown by callable when invoked with arguments <code>args</code> and keyword arguments <code>kwargs</code> .
<code>assert_warns(warning_class, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Fail unless the given callable throws the specified warning.
<code>assert_no_warnings(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Fail if the given callable produces any warnings.
<code>assert_no_gc_cycles(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Fail if the given callable produces any reference cycles.
<code>assert_string_equal(actual, desired)</code>	Test if two strings are equal.

`testing.assert_allclose(actual, desired, rtol=1e-07, atol=0, equal_nan=True, err_msg='', verbose=True)`

Raises an `AssertionError` if two objects are not equal up to desired tolerance.

The test is equivalent to `allclose(actual, desired, rtol, atol)` (note that `allclose` has different default values). It compares the difference between `actual` and `desired` to `atol + rtol * abs(desired)`.

New in version 1.5.0.

#### Parameters

##### **actual**

[array\_like] Array obtained.

##### **desired**

[array\_like] Array desired.

##### **rtol**

[float, optional] Relative tolerance.

**atol**

[float, optional] Absolute tolerance.

**equal\_nan**

[bool, optional.] If True, NaNs will compare equal.

**err\_msg**

[str, optional] The error message to be printed in case of failure.

**verbose**

[bool, optional] If True, the conflicting values are appended to the error message.

**Raises****AssertionError**

If actual and desired are not equal up to specified precision.

**See also:**

[`assert\_array\_almost\_equal\_nulp`](#), [`assert\_array\_max\_ulp`](#)

**Examples**

```
>>> x = [1e-5, 1e-3, 1e-1]
>>> y = np.arccos(np.cos(x))
>>> np.testing.assert_allclose(x, y, rtol=1e-5, atol=0)
```

`testing.assert_array_almost_equal_nulp(x, y, nulp=1)`

Compare two arrays relatively to their spacing.

This is a relatively robust method to compare two arrays whose amplitude is variable.

**Parameters****x, y**

[array\_like] Input arrays.

**nulp**

[int, optional] The maximum number of unit in the last place for tolerance (see Notes). Default is 1.

**Returns****None****Raises****AssertionError**

If the spacing between *x* and *y* for one or more elements is larger than *nulp*.

**See also:**

**`assert_array_max_ulp`**

Check that all items of arrays differ in at most N Units in the Last Place.

**`spacing`**

Return the distance between  $x$  and the nearest adjacent number.

**Notes**

An assertion is raised if the following condition is not met:

```
abs(x - y) <= nulps * spacing(maximum(abs(x), abs(y)))
```

**Examples**

```
>>> x = np.array([1., 1e-10, 1e-20])
>>> eps = np.finfo(x.dtype).eps
>>> np.testing.assert_array_almost_equal_nulp(x, x*eps/2 + x)
```

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_almost_equal_nulp(x, x*eps + x)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError: X and Y are not equal to 1 ULP (max is 2)
```

`testing.assert_array_max_ulp(a, b, maxulp=1, dtype=None)`

Check that all items of arrays differ in at most N Units in the Last Place.

**Parameters****a, b**

[array\_like] Input arrays to be compared.

**maxulp**

[int, optional] The maximum number of units in the last place that elements of  $a$  and  $b$  can differ. Default is 1.

**dtype**

[dtype, optional] Data-type to convert  $a$  and  $b$  to if given. Default is None.

**Returns****ret**

[ndarray] Array containing number of representable floating point numbers between items in  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Raises****AssertionError**

If one or more elements differ by more than  $maxulp$ .

**See also:**

**`assert_array_almost_equal_nulp`**

Compare two arrays relatively to their spacing.

**Notes**

For computing the ULP difference, this API does not differentiate between various representations of NAN (ULP difference between 0xfc00000 and 0xfc00000 is zero).

**Examples**

```
>>> a = np.linspace(0., 1., 100)
>>> res = np.testing.assert_array_max_ulp(a, np.arcsin(np.sin(a)))
```

`testing.assert_array_equal(x, y, err_msg=”, verbose=True)`

Raises an `AssertionError` if two `array_like` objects are not equal.

Given two `array_like` objects, check that the shape is equal and all elements of these objects are equal (but see the Notes for the special handling of a scalar). An exception is raised at shape mismatch or conflicting values. In contrast to the standard usage in numpy, NaNs are compared like numbers, no assertion is raised if both objects have NaNs in the same positions.

The usual caution for verifying equality with floating point numbers is advised.

**Parameters****x**

[`array_like`] The actual object to check.

**y**

[`array_like`] The desired, expected object.

**err\_msg**

[str, optional] The error message to be printed in case of failure.

**verbose**

[bool, optional] If True, the conflicting values are appended to the error message.

**Raises****`AssertionError`**

If actual and desired objects are not equal.

**See also:****`assert_allclose`**

Compare two `array_like` objects for equality with desired relative and/or absolute precision.

**`assert_array_almost_equal_nulp`, `assert_array_max_ulp`, `assert_equal`**

## Notes

When one of  $x$  and  $y$  is a scalar and the other is array\_like, the function checks that each element of the array\_like object is equal to the scalar.

## Examples

The first assert does not raise an exception:

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_equal([1.0, 2.33333, np.nan],
...                               [np.exp(0), 2.33333, np.nan])
```

Assert fails with numerical imprecision with floats:

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_equal([1.0, np.pi, np.nan],
...                               [1, np.sqrt(np.pi)**2, np.nan])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Arrays are not equal

Mismatched elements: 1 / 3 (33.3%)
Max absolute difference: 4.4408921e-16
Max relative difference: 1.41357986e-16
x: array([1.        , 3.141593,       nan])
y: array([1.        , 3.141593,       nan])
```

Use `assert_allclose` or one of the nulp (number of floating point values) functions for these cases instead:

```
>>> np.testing.assert_allclose([1.0, np.pi, np.nan],
...                            [1, np.sqrt(np.pi)**2, np.nan],
...                            rtol=1e-10, atol=0)
```

As mentioned in the Notes section, `assert_array_equal` has special handling for scalars. Here the test checks that each value in  $x$  is 3:

```
>>> x = np.full((2, 5), fill_value=3)
>>> np.testing.assert_array_equal(x, 3)
```

`testing.assert_array_less`( $x, y, err\_msg=$ ,  $verbose=True$ )

Raises an `AssertionError` if two array\_like objects are not ordered by less than.

Given two array\_like objects, check that the shape is equal and all elements of the first object are strictly smaller than those of the second object. An exception is raised at shape mismatch or incorrectly ordered values. Shape mismatch does not raise if an object has zero dimension. In contrast to the standard usage in numpy, NaNs are compared, no assertion is raised if both objects have NaNs in the same positions.

## Parameters

**x**

[array\_like] The smaller object to check.

**y**

[array\_like] The larger object to compare.

**err\_msg**

[string] The error message to be printed in case of failure.

**verbose**

[bool] If True, the conflicting values are appended to the error message.

**Raises****AssertionError**

If actual and desired objects are not equal.

**See also:****`assert_array_equal`**

tests objects for equality

**`assert_array_almost_equal`**

test objects for equality up to precision

**Examples**

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_less([1.0, 1.0, np.nan], [1.1, 2.0, np.nan])
>>> np.testing.assert_array_less([1.0, 1.0, np.nan], [1, 2.0, np.nan])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Arrays are not less-ordered

Mismatched elements: 1 / 3 (33.3%)
Max absolute difference: 1.
Max relative difference: 0.5
x: array([ 1.,  1., nan])
y: array([ 1.,  2., nan])
```

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_less([1.0, 4.0], 3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Arrays are not less-ordered

Mismatched elements: 1 / 2 (50%)
Max absolute difference: 2.
Max relative difference: 0.66666667
x: array([1., 4.])
y: array(3)
```

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_less([1.0, 2.0, 3.0], [4])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Arrays are not less-ordered
```

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```
(shapes (3,), (1,) mismatch)
x: array([1., 2., 3.])
y: array([4])
```

`testing.assert_equal(actual, desired, err_msg="", verbose=True)`

Raises an `AssertionError` if two objects are not equal.

Given two objects (scalars, lists, tuples, dictionaries or numpy arrays), check that all elements of these objects are equal. An exception is raised at the first conflicting values.

When one of `actual` and `desired` is a scalar and the other is `array_like`, the function checks that each element of the `array_like` object is equal to the scalar.

This function handles NaN comparisons as if NaN was a “normal” number. That is, `AssertionError` is not raised if both objects have NaNs in the same positions. This is in contrast to the IEEE standard on NaNs, which says that NaN compared to anything must return False.

### Parameters

#### `actual`

[`array_like`] The object to check.

#### `desired`

[`array_like`] The expected object.

#### `err_msg`

[`str, optional`] The error message to be printed in case of failure.

#### `verbose`

[`bool, optional`] If True, the conflicting values are appended to the error message.

### Raises

#### `AssertionError`

If `actual` and `desired` are not equal.

### Examples

```
>>> np.testing.assert_equal([4,5], [4,6])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Items are not equal:
item=1
    ACTUAL: 5
    DESIRED: 6
```

The following comparison does not raise an exception. There are NaNs in the inputs, but they are in the same positions.

```
>>> np.testing.assert_equal(np.array([1.0, 2.0, np.nan]), [1, 2, np.nan])
```

`testing.assert_raises(exception_class, callable, *args, **kwargs)` `assert_raises(exception_class)`

`testing.assert_raises(exception_class) → None`

Fail unless an exception of class `exception_class` is thrown by callable when invoked with arguments `args` and keyword arguments `kwargs`. If a different type of exception is thrown, it will not be caught, and the test case will be deemed to have suffered an error, exactly as for an unexpected exception.

Alternatively, `assert_raises` can be used as a context manager:

```
>>> from numpy.testing import assert_raises
>>> with assert_raises(ZeroDivisionError):
...     1 / 0
```

is equivalent to

```
>>> def div(x, y):
...     return x / y
>>> assert_raises(ZeroDivisionError, div, 1, 0)
```

`testing.assert_raises_regex(exception_class, expected_regex, callable, *args, **kwargs)`  
`assert_raises_regex(exception_class, expected_regex)`

Fail unless an exception of class `exception_class` and with message that matches `expected_regex` is thrown by callable when invoked with arguments `args` and keyword arguments `kwargs`.

Alternatively, can be used as a context manager like `assert_raises`.

## Notes

New in version 1.9.0.

`testing.assert_warns(warning_class, *args, **kwargs)`

Fail unless the given callable throws the specified warning.

A warning of class `warning_class` should be thrown by the callable when invoked with arguments `args` and keyword arguments `kwargs`. If a different type of warning is thrown, it will not be caught.

If called with all arguments other than the warning class omitted, may be used as a context manager:

**with assert\_warns(SomeWarning):**

do\_something()

The ability to be used as a context manager is new in NumPy v1.11.0.

New in version 1.4.0.

## Parameters

**warning\_class**

[class] The class defining the warning that `func` is expected to throw.

**func**

[callable, optional] Callable to test

**\*args**

[Arguments] Arguments for `func`.

**\*\*kwargs**

[Kwargs] Keyword arguments for `func`.

**Returns**

The value returned by *func*.

**Examples**

```
>>> import warnings
>>> def deprecated_func(num):
...     warnings.warn("Please upgrade", DeprecationWarning)
...     return num*num
>>> with np.testing.assert_warns(DeprecationWarning):
...     assert deprecated_func(4) == 16
>>> # or passing a func
>>> ret = np.testing.assert_warns(DeprecationWarning, deprecated_func, 4)
>>> assert ret == 16
```

testing.**assert\_no\_warnings**(\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Fail if the given callable produces any warnings.

If called with all arguments omitted, may be used as a context manager:

```
with assert_no_warnings():
    do_something()
```

The ability to be used as a context manager is new in NumPy v1.11.0.

New in version 1.7.0.

**Parameters****func**

[callable] The callable to test.

**\*args**

[Arguments] Arguments passed to *func*.

**\*\*kwargs**

[Kwargs] Keyword arguments passed to *func*.

**Returns**

The value returned by *func*.

testing.**assert\_no\_gc\_cycles**(\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Fail if the given callable produces any reference cycles.

If called with all arguments omitted, may be used as a context manager:

```
with assert_no_gc_cycles():
    do_something()
```

New in version 1.15.0.

**Parameters**

**func**

[callable] The callable to test.

**\*args**

[Arguments] Arguments passed to *func*.

**\*\*kwargs**

[Kwargs] Keyword arguments passed to *func*.

**Returns**

**Nothing.** The result is deliberately discarded to ensure that all cycles  
are found.

**testing.assert\_string\_equal(*actual*, *desired*)**

Test if two strings are equal.

If the given strings are equal, *assert\_string\_equal* does nothing. If they are not equal, an `AssertionError` is raised, and the diff between the strings is shown.

**Parameters****actual**

[str] The string to test for equality against the expected string.

**desired**

[str] The expected string.

**Examples**

```
>>> np.testing.assert_string_equal('abc', 'abc')
>>> np.testing.assert_string_equal('abc', 'abcd')
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
...
AssertionError: Differences in strings:
- abc+ abcd?
```

**5.26.2 Asserts (not recommended)**

It is recommended to use one of `assert_allclose`, `assert_array_almost_equal_nulp` or `assert_array_max_ulp` instead of these functions for more consistent floating point comparisons.

<code>assert_(val[, msg])</code>	Assert that works in release mode.
<code>assert_almost_equal(actual, desired[, ...])</code>	Raises an AssertionError if two items are not equal up to desired precision.
<code>assert_approx_equal(actual, desired[, ...])</code>	Raises an AssertionError if two items are not equal up to significant digits.
<code>assert_array_almost_equal(x, y[, decimal, ...])</code>	Raises an AssertionError if two objects are not equal up to desired precision.
<code>print_assert_equal(test_string, actual, desired)</code>	Test if two objects are equal, and print an error message if test fails.

`testing.assert_(val, msg=")`

Assert that works in release mode. Accepts callable msg to allow deferring evaluation until failure.

The Python built-in `assert` does not work when executing code in optimized mode (the `-O` flag) - no byte-code is generated for it.

For documentation on usage, refer to the Python documentation.

`testing.assert_almost_equal(actual, desired, decimal=7, err_msg="", verbose=True)`

Raises an AssertionError if two items are not equal up to desired precision.

---

**Note:** It is recommended to use one of `assert_allclose`, `assert_array_almost_equal_nulp` or `assert_array_max_ulp` instead of this function for more consistent floating point comparisons.

---

The test verifies that the elements of `actual` and `desired` satisfy.

```
abs(desired-actual) < 1.5 * 10**(-decimal)
```

That is a looser test than originally documented, but agrees with what the actual implementation in `assert_array_almost_equal` did up to rounding vagaries. An exception is raised at conflicting values. For ndarrays this delegates to `assert_array_almost_equal`

## Parameters

### actual

[array\_like] The object to check.

### desired

[array\_like] The expected object.

### decimal

[int, optional] Desired precision, default is 7.

### err\_msg

[str, optional] The error message to be printed in case of failure.

### verbose

[bool, optional] If True, the conflicting values are appended to the error message.

## Raises

### AssertionError

If `actual` and `desired` are not equal up to specified precision.

See also:

[`assert\_allclose`](#)

Compare two array\_like objects for equality with desired relative and/or absolute precision.

[`assert\_array\_almost\_equal\_nulp`](#), [`assert\_array\_max\_ulp`](#), [`assert\_equal`](#)

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy.testing import assert_almost_equal
>>> assert_almost_equal(2.33333333333333, 2.33333334)
>>> assert_almost_equal(2.33333333333333, 2.33333334, decimal=10)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Arrays are not almost equal to 10 decimals
ACTUAL: 2.333333333333
DESIRED: 2.33333334
```

```
>>> assert_almost_equal(np.array([1.0, 2.33333333333333]),
...                      np.array([1.0, 2.33333334]), decimal=9)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Arrays are not almost equal to 9 decimals

Mismatched elements: 1 / 2 (50%)
Max absolute difference: 6.6669964e-09
Max relative difference: 2.85715698e-09
x: array([1.          , 2.33333333])
y: array([1.          , 2.33333334])
```

`testing.assert_approx_equal(actual, desired, significant=7, err_msg='', verbose=True)`

Raises an `AssertionError` if two items are not equal up to significant digits.

---

**Note:** It is recommended to use one of `assert_allclose`, `assert_array_almost_equal_nulp` or `assert_array_max_ulp` instead of this function for more consistent floating point comparisons.

---

Given two numbers, check that they are approximately equal. Approximately equal is defined as the number of significant digits that agree.

### Parameters

**actual**

[scalar] The object to check.

**desired**

[scalar] The expected object.

**significant**

[int, optional] Desired precision, default is 7.

**err\_msg**

[str, optional] The error message to be printed in case of failure.

**verbose**

[bool, optional] If True, the conflicting values are appended to the error message.

**Raises****AssertionError**

If actual and desired are not equal up to specified precision.

**See also:****`assert_allclose`**

Compare two array\_like objects for equality with desired relative and/or absolute precision.

**`assert_array_almost_equal_nulp`, `assert_array_max_ulp`, `assert_equal`****Examples**

```
>>> np.testing.assert_approx_equal(0.1234567777777e-20, 0.1234567e-20)
>>> np.testing.assert_approx_equal(0.12345670e-20, 0.12345671e-20,
...                                significant=8)
>>> np.testing.assert_approx_equal(0.12345670e-20, 0.12345672e-20,
...                                significant=8)
...
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Items are not equal to 8 significant digits:
ACTUAL: 1.234567e-21
DESIRED: 1.2345672e-21
```

the evaluated condition that raises the exception is

```
>>> abs(0.12345670e-20/1e-21 - 0.12345672e-20/1e-21) >= 10**-(8-1)
True
```

`testing.assert_array_almost_equal(x, y, decimal=6, err_msg='', verbose=True)`

Raises an `AssertionError` if two objects are not equal up to desired precision.

---

**Note:** It is recommended to use one of `assert_allclose`, `assert_array_almost_equal_nulp` or `assert_array_max_ulp` instead of this function for more consistent floating point comparisons.

---

The test verifies identical shapes and that the elements of `actual` and `desired` satisfy.

$$\text{abs}(\text{desired}-\text{actual}) < 1.5 * 10^{**(-\text{decimal})}$$

That is a looser test than originally documented, but agrees with what the actual implementation did up to rounding vagaries. An exception is raised at shape mismatch or conflicting values. In contrast to the standard usage in numpy, NaNs are compared like numbers, no assertion is raised if both objects have NaNs in the same positions.

**Parameters**

**x**

[array\_like] The actual object to check.

**y**

[array\_like] The desired, expected object.

**decimal**

[int, optional] Desired precision, default is 6.

**err\_msg**

[str, optional] The error message to be printed in case of failure.

**verbose**

[bool, optional] If True, the conflicting values are appended to the error message.

**Raises****AssertionError**

If actual and desired are not equal up to specified precision.

**See also:****[assert\\_allclose](#)**

Compare two array\_like objects for equality with desired relative and/or absolute precision.

**[assert\\_array\\_almost\\_equal\\_nulp](#), [assert\\_array\\_max\\_ulp](#), [assert\\_equal](#)****Examples**

the first assert does not raise an exception

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_almost_equal([1.0, 2.333, np.nan],
...                                         [1.0, 2.333, np.nan])
```

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_almost_equal([1.0, 2.33333, np.nan],
...                                         [1.0, 2.33339, np.nan], decimal=5)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Arrays are not almost equal to 5 decimals

Mismatched elements: 1 / 3 (33.3%)
Max absolute difference: 6.e-05
Max relative difference: 2.57136612e-05
x: array([1.        , 2.33333,      nan])
y: array([1.        , 2.33339,      nan])
```

```
>>> np.testing.assert_array_almost_equal([1.0, 2.33333, np.nan],
...                                         [1.0, 2.33333, 5], decimal=5)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError:
Arrays are not almost equal to 5 decimals
```

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```
x and y nan location mismatch:  
x: array([1.      , 2.33333,      nan])  
y: array([1.      , 2.33333, 5.      ])
```

## testing.print\_assert\_equal(*test\_string*, *actual*, *desired*)

Test if two objects are equal, and print an error message if test fails.

The test is performed with *actual* == *desired*.

### Parameters

#### **test\_string**

[str] The message supplied to AssertionError.

#### **actual**

[object] The object to test for equality against *desired*.

#### **desired**

[object] The expected result.

## Examples

```
>>> np.testing.print_assert_equal('Test XYZ of func xyz', [0, 1], [0, 1])
>>> np.testing.print_assert_equal('Test XYZ of func xyz', [0, 1], [0, 2])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AssertionError: Test XYZ of func xyz failed
ACTUAL:
[0, 1]
DESIRED:
[0, 2]
```

### 5.26.3 Decorators

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`dec.deprecated([conditional])`

Deprecated since version 1.21.

---

`dec.knownfailureif(fail_condition[, msg])`

Deprecated since version 1.21.

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`dec.setastest([tf])`

Deprecated since version 1.21.

---

`dec.skipif(skip_condition[, msg])`

Deprecated since version 1.21.

---

`dec.slow(t)`

Deprecated since version 1.21.

---

`decorate_methods(cls, decorator[, testmatch])`

Apply a decorator to all methods in a class matching a regular expression.

`testing.dec.deprecated(conditional=True)`

Deprecated since version 1.21: This decorator is retained for compatibility with the nose testing framework, which is being phased out. Please use the nose2 or pytest frameworks instead.

Filter deprecation warnings while running the test suite.

This decorator can be used to filter DeprecationWarning's, to avoid printing them during the test suite run, while checking that the test actually raises a DeprecationWarning.

#### Parameters

##### **conditional**

[bool or callable, optional] Flag to determine whether to mark test as deprecated or not. If the condition is a callable, it is used at runtime to dynamically make the decision. Default is True.

#### Returns

##### **decorator**

[function] The `deprecated` decorator itself.

#### Notes

New in version 1.4.0.

`testing.dec.knownfailureif(fail_condition, msg=None)`

Deprecated since version 1.21: This decorator is retained for compatibility with the nose testing framework, which is being phased out. Please use the nose2 or pytest frameworks instead.

Make function raise KnownFailureException exception if given condition is true.

If the condition is a callable, it is used at runtime to dynamically make the decision. This is useful for tests that may require costly imports, to delay the cost until the test suite is actually executed.

#### Parameters

**fail\_condition**

[bool or callable] Flag to determine whether to mark the decorated test as a known failure (if True) or not (if False).

**msg**

[str, optional] Message to give on raising a KnownFailureException exception. Default is None.

**Returns****decorator**

[function] Decorator, which, when applied to a function, causes KnownFailureException to be raised when *fail\_condition* is True, and the function to be called normally otherwise.

**Notes**

The decorator itself is decorated with the `nose.tools.make_decorator` function in order to transmit function name, and various other metadata.

`testing.dec.setastest(if=True)`

Deprecated since version 1.21: This decorator is retained for compatibility with the nose testing framework, which is being phased out. Please use the nose2 or pytest frameworks instead.

Signals to nose that this function is or is not a test.

**Parameters****tf**

[bool] If True, specifies that the decorated callable is a test. If False, specifies that the decorated callable is not a test. Default is True.

**Notes**

This decorator can't use the nose namespace, because it can be called from a non-test module. See also `istest` and `nottest` in `nose.tools`.

**Examples**

`setastest` can be used in the following way:

```
from numpy.testing import dec

@dec.setastest(False)
def func_with_test_in_name(arg1, arg2):
    pass
```

`testing.dec.skipif(skip_condition, msg=None)`

Deprecated since version 1.21: This decorator is retained for compatibility with the nose testing framework, which is being phased out. Please use the nose2 or pytest frameworks instead.

Make function raise SkipTest exception if a given condition is true.

If the condition is a callable, it is used at runtime to dynamically make the decision. This is useful for tests that may require costly imports, to delay the cost until the test suite is actually executed.

**Parameters****skip\_condition**

[bool or callable] Flag to determine whether to skip the decorated test.

**msg**

[str, optional] Message to give on raising a SkipTest exception. Default is None.

**Returns****decorator**

[function] Decorator which, when applied to a function, causes SkipTest to be raised when *skip\_condition* is True, and the function to be called normally otherwise.

**Notes**

The decorator itself is decorated with the `nose.tools.make_decorator` function in order to transmit function name, and various other metadata.

`testing.dec.slow(t)`

Deprecated since version 1.21: This decorator is retained for compatibility with the nose testing framework, which is being phased out. Please use the nose2 or pytest frameworks instead.

Label a test as ‘slow’.

The exact definition of a slow test is obviously both subjective and hardware-dependent, but in general any individual test that requires more than a second or two should be labeled as slow (the whole suite consists of thousands of tests, so even a second is significant).

**Parameters****t**

[callable] The test to label as slow.

**Returns****t**

[callable] The decorated test *t*.

**Examples**

The `numpy.testing` module includes import decorators as `dec`. A test can be decorated as slow like this:

```
from numpy.testing import *
@dec.slow
def test_big(self):
    print('Big, slow test')
```

---

```
testing.decorate_methods(cls, decorator, testmatch=None)
```

Apply a decorator to all methods in a class matching a regular expression.

The given decorator is applied to all public methods of *cls* that are matched by the regular expression *testmatch* (*testmatch*.search(*methodname*)). Methods that are private, i.e. start with an underscore, are ignored.

#### Parameters

##### **cls**

[class] Class whose methods to decorate.

##### **decorator**

[function] Decorator to apply to methods

##### **testmatch**

[compiled regexp or str, optional] The regular expression. Default value is None, in which case the nose default (re.compile(r'^(?:(^|[\b\.\%s-]) [Tt]est' % os.sep)) is used. If *testmatch* is a string, it is compiled to a regular expression first.

## 5.26.4 Test Running

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<i>Tester</i>	alias of numpy.testing._private.nosetester.NoseTester
<i>clear_and_catch_warnings</i> ([ <i>record</i> , <i>modules</i> ])	Context manager that resets warning registry for catching warnings
<i>measure</i> ( <i>code_str</i> [, <i>times</i> , <i>label</i> ])	Return elapsed time for executing code in the namespace of the caller.
<i>run_module_suite</i> ([ <i>file_to_run</i> , <i>argv</i> ])	Run a test module.
<i>rundocs</i> ([ <i>filename</i> , <i>raise_on_error</i> ])	Run doctests found in the given file.
<i>suppress_warnings</i> ([ <i>forwarding_rule</i> ])	Context manager and decorator doing much the same as warnings.catch_warnings.

---

`numpy.testing.Tester`

alias of numpy.testing.\_private.nosetester.NoseTester

**class** `numpy.testing.clear_and_catch_warnings(record=False, modules=())`

Context manager that resets warning registry for catching warnings

Warnings can be slippery, because, whenever a warning is triggered, Python adds a `__warningregistry__` member to the *calling* module. This makes it impossible to retrigger the warning in this module, whatever you put in the warnings filters. This context manager accepts a sequence of *modules* as a keyword argument to its constructor and:

- stores and removes any `__warningregistry__` entries in given *modules* on entry;
- resets `__warningregistry__` to its previous state on exit.

This makes it possible to trigger any warning afresh inside the context manager without disturbing the state of warnings outside.

For compatibility with Python 3.0, please consider all arguments to be keyword-only.

#### Parameters

**record**

[bool, optional] Specifies whether warnings should be captured by a custom implementation of `warnings.showwarning()` and be appended to a list returned by the context manager. Otherwise `None` is returned by the context manager. The objects appended to the list are arguments whose attributes mirror the arguments to `showwarning()`.

**modules**

[sequence, optional] Sequence of modules for which to reset warnings registry on entry and restore on exit. To work correctly, all ‘ignore’ filters should filter by one of these modules.

**Examples**

```
>>> import warnings
>>> with np.testing.clear_and_catch_warnings(
...     modules=[np.core.fromnumeric]):
...     warnings.simplefilter('always')
...     warnings.filterwarnings('ignore', module='np.core.fromnumeric')
...     # do something that raises a warning but ignore those in
...     # np.core.fromnumeric
```

`testing.measure(code_str, times=1, label=None)`

Return elapsed time for executing code in the namespace of the caller.

The supplied code string is compiled with the Python builtin `compile`. The precision of the timing is 10 milliseconds. If the code will execute fast on this timescale, it can be executed many times to get reasonable timing accuracy.

**Parameters****code\_str**

[str] The code to be timed.

**times**

[int, optional] The number of times the code is executed. Default is 1. The code is only compiled once.

**label**

[str, optional] A label to identify `code_str` with. This is passed into `compile` as the second argument (for run-time error messages).

**Returns****elapsed**

[float] Total elapsed time in seconds for executing `code_str times` times.

## Examples

```
>>> times = 10
>>> etime = np.testing.measure('for i in range(1000): np.sqrt(i**2)', times=times)
>>> print("Time for a single execution : ", etime / times, "s")
Time for a single execution :  0.005 s
```

`testing.run_module_suite(file_to_run=None, argv=None)`

Run a test module.

Equivalent to calling \$ nosetests <argv> <file\_to\_run> from the command line

### Parameters

#### `file_to_run`

[str, optional] Path to test module, or None. By default, run the module from which this function is called.

#### `argv`

[list of strings] Arguments to be passed to the nose test runner. `argv[0]` is ignored. All command line arguments accepted by nosetests will work. If it is the default value None, `sys.argv` is used.

New in version 1.9.0.

## Examples

Adding the following:

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
    run_module_suite(argv=sys.argv)
```

at the end of a test module will run the tests when that module is called in the python interpreter.

Alternatively, calling:

```
>>> run_module_suite(file_to_run="numpy/tests/test_matlib.py")
```

from an interpreter will run all the test routine in 'test\_matlib.py'.

`testing.rundocs(filename=None, raise_on_error=True)`

Run doctests found in the given file.

By default `rundocs` raises an `AssertionError` on failure.

### Parameters

#### `filename`

[str] The path to the file for which the doctests are run.

#### `raise_on_error`

[bool] Whether to raise an `AssertionError` when a doctest fails. Default is True.

## Notes

The doctests can be run by the user/developer by adding the `doctests` argument to the `test()` call. For example, to run all tests (including doctests) for `numpy.lib`:

```
>>> np.lib.test(doctests=True)
```

```
class numpy.testing.suppress_warnings(forwarding_rule='always')
```

Context manager and decorator doing much the same as `warnings.catch_warnings`.

However, it also provides a filter mechanism to work around <https://bugs.python.org/issue4180>.

This bug causes Python before 3.4 to not reliably show warnings again after they have been ignored once (even within `catch_warnings`). It means that no “ignore” filter can be used easily, since following tests might need to see the warning. Additionally it allows easier specificity for testing warnings and can be nested.

### Parameters

#### `forwarding_rule`

[str, optional] One of “always”, “once”, “module”, or “location”. Analogous to the usual `warnings` module filter mode, it is useful to reduce noise mostly on the outmost level. Unsuppressed and unrecorded warnings will be forwarded based on this rule. Defaults to “always”. “location” is equivalent to the `warnings “default”`, match by exact location the warning originated from.

## Notes

Filters added inside the context manager will be discarded again when leaving it. Upon entering all filters defined outside a context will be applied automatically.

When a recording filter is added, matching warnings are stored in the `log` attribute as well as in the list returned by `record`.

If filters are added and the `module` keyword is given, the warning registry of this module will additionally be cleared when applying it, entering the context, or exiting it. This could cause warnings to appear a second time after leaving the context if they were configured to be printed once (default) and were already printed before the context was entered.

Nesting this context manager will work as expected when the forwarding rule is “always” (default). Unfiltered and unrecorded warnings will be passed out and be matched by the outer level. On the outmost level they will be printed (or caught by another `warnings` context). The forwarding rule argument can modify this behaviour.

Like `catch_warnings` this context manager is not threadsafe.

## Examples

With a context manager:

```
with np.testing.suppress_warnings() as sup:
    sup.filter(DeprecationWarning, "Some text")
    sup.filter(module=np.ma.core)
    log = sup.record(FutureWarning, "Does this occur?")
    command_giving_warnings()
    # The FutureWarning was given once, the filtered warnings were
    # ignored. All other warnings abide outside settings (may be
```

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```
# printed/error)
assert_(len(log) == 1)
assert_(len(sup.log) == 1) # also stored in log attribute
```

Or as a decorator:

```
sup = np.testing.suppress_warnings()
sup.filter(module=np.ma.core) # module must match exactly
@sup
def some_function():
    # do something which causes a warning in np.ma.core
    pass
```

## Methods

<code>__call__(func)</code>	Function decorator to apply certain suppressions to a whole function.
<code>filter([category, message, module])</code>	Add a new suppressing filter or apply it if the state is entered.
<code>record([category, message, module])</code>	Append a new recording filter or apply it if the state is entered.

method

`testing.suppress_warnings.__call__(func)`

Function decorator to apply certain suppressions to a whole function.

method

`testing.suppress_warnings.filter(category=<class 'Warning'>, message='', module=None)`

Add a new suppressing filter or apply it if the state is entered.

### Parameters

#### `category`

[class, optional] Warning class to filter

#### `message`

[string, optional] Regular expression matching the warning message.

#### `module`

[module, optional] Module to filter for. Note that the module (and its file) must match exactly and cannot be a submodule. This may make it unreliable for external modules.

## Notes

When added within a context, filters are only added inside the context and will be forgotten when the context is exited.

method

```
testing.suppress_warnings.record(category=<class 'Warning'>, message='', module=None)
```

Append a new recording filter or apply it if the state is entered.

All warnings matching will be appended to the `log` attribute.

## Parameters

### category

[class, optional] Warning class to filter

### message

[string, optional] Regular expression matching the warning message.

### module

[module, optional] Module to filter for. Note that the module (and its file) must match exactly and cannot be a submodule. This may make it unreliable for external modules.

## Returns

### log

[list] A list which will be filled with all matched warnings.

## Notes

When added within a context, filters are only added inside the context and will be forgotten when the context is exited.

## 5.26.5 Guidelines

### Testing Guidelines

#### Introduction

Until the 1.15 release, NumPy used the `nose` testing framework, it now uses the `pytest` framework. The older framework is still maintained in order to support downstream projects that use the old numpy framework, but all tests for NumPy should use `pytest`.

Our goal is that every module and package in NumPy should have a thorough set of unit tests. These tests should exercise the full functionality of a given routine as well as its robustness to erroneous or unexpected input arguments. Well-designed tests with good coverage make an enormous difference to the ease of refactoring. Whenever a new bug is found in a routine, you should write a new test for that specific case and add it to the test suite to prevent that bug from creeping back in unnoticed.

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**Note:** SciPy uses the testing framework from `numpy.testing`, so all of the NumPy examples shown below are also applicable to SciPy

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## Testing NumPy

NumPy can be tested in a number of ways, choose any way you feel comfortable.

### Running tests from inside Python

You can test an installed NumPy by `numpy.test`, for example, To run NumPy's full test suite, use the following:

```
>>> import numpy  
>>> numpy.test(label='slow')
```

The test method may take two or more arguments; the first `label` is a string specifying what should be tested and the second `verbose` is an integer giving the level of output verbosity. See the docstring `numpy.test` for details. The default value for `label` is 'fast' - which will run the standard tests. The string 'full' will run the full battery of tests, including those identified as being slow to run. If `verbose` is 1 or less, the tests will just show information messages about the tests that are run; but if it is greater than 1, then the tests will also provide warnings on missing tests. So if you want to run every test and get messages about which modules don't have tests:

```
>>> numpy.test(label='full', verbose=2) # or numpy.test('full', 2)
```

Finally, if you are only interested in testing a subset of NumPy, for example, the `core` module, use the following:

```
>>> numpy.core.test()
```

### Running tests from the command line

If you want to build NumPy in order to work on NumPy itself, use `runtests.py`. To run NumPy's full test suite:

```
$ python runtests.py
```

Testing a subset of NumPy:

```
$python runtests.py -t numpy/core/tests
```

For detailed info on testing, see [testing-builds](#)

### Other methods of running tests

Run tests using your favourite IDE such as `vscode` or `pycharm`

### Writing your own tests

If you are writing a package that you'd like to become part of NumPy, please write the tests as you develop the package. Every Python module, extension module, or subpackage in the NumPy package directory should have a corresponding `test_<name>.py` file. Pytest examines these files for test methods (named `test*`) and test classes (named `Test*`).

Suppose you have a NumPy module `numpy/xxx/yyy.py` containing a function `zzz()`. To test this function you would create a test module called `test_yyy.py`. If you only need to test one aspect of `zzz`, you can simply add a test function:

```
def test_zzz():  
    assert zzz() == 'Hello from zzz'
```

More often, we need to group a number of tests together, so we create a test class:

```

import pytest

# import xxx symbols
from numpy.xxx.yyy import zzz
import pytest

class TestZzz:
    def test_simple(self):
        assert zzz() == 'Hello from zzz'

    def test_invalid_parameter(self):
        with pytest.raises(ValueError, match='.*some matching regex.*'):
            ...

```

Within these test methods, `assert` and related functions are used to test whether a certain assumption is valid. If the assertion fails, the test fails. `pytest` internally rewrites the `assert` statement to give informative output when it fails, so should be preferred over the legacy variant `numpy.testing.assert_`. Whereas plain `assert` statements are ignored when running Python in optimized mode with `-O`, this is not an issue when running tests with `pytest`.

Similarly, the `pytest.raises` and `pytest.warns` should be preferred over their legacy counterparts `numpy.testing.assert_raises` and `numpy.testing.assert_warns`, since the `pytest` variants are more broadly used and allow more explicit targeting of warnings and errors when used with the `match` regex.

Note that `test_` functions or methods should not have a docstring, because that makes it hard to identify the test from the output of running the test suite with `verbose=2` (or similar verbosity setting). Use plain comments (#) if necessary.

Also since much of NumPy is legacy code that was originally written without unit tests, there are still several modules that don't have tests yet. Please feel free to choose one of these modules and develop tests for it.

## Using C code in tests

NumPy exposes a rich [C-API](#). These are tested using c-extension modules written “as-if” they know nothing about the internals of NumPy, rather using the official C-API interfaces only. Examples of such modules are tests for a user-defined rational dtype in `_rational_tests` or the ufunc machinery tests in `_umath_tests` which are part of the binary distribution. Starting from version 1.21, you can also write snippets of C code in tests that will be compiled locally into c-extension modules and loaded into python.

```
numpy.testing.extbuild.build_and_import_extension(modname, functions, *, prologue="",
                                                 build_dir=None, include_dirs=[], more_init="")
```

Build and imports a c-extension module `modname` from a list of function fragments `functions`.

### Parameters

#### `functions`

[list of fragments] Each fragment is a sequence of `func_name`, calling convention, snippet.

#### `prologue`

[string] Code to precede the rest, usually extra `#include` or `#define` macros.

#### `build_dir`

[`pathlib.Path`] Where to build the module, usually a temporary directory

#### `include_dirs`

[list] Extra directories to find include files when compiling

**more\_init**

[string] Code to appear in the module PyMODINIT\_FUNC

**Returns****out: module**

The module will have been loaded and is ready for use

**Examples**

```
>>> functions = [ ("test_bytes", "METH_O", """
    if ( !PyBytesCheck(args) ) {
        Py_RETURN_FALSE;
    }
    Py_RETURN_TRUE;
""")
]
>>> mod = build_and_import_extension("testme", functions)
>>> assert not mod.test_bytes(u'abc')
>>> assert mod.test_bytes(b'abc')
```

**Labeling tests**

Unlabeled tests like the ones above are run in the default `numpy.test()` run. If you want to label your test as slow - and therefore reserved for a full `numpy.test(label='full')` run, you can label it with `pytest.mark.slow`:

```
import pytest

@pytest.mark.slow
def test_big(self):
    print('Big, slow test')
```

Similarly for methods:

```
class test_zzz:
    @pytest.mark.slow
    def test_simple(self):
        assert_(zzz() == 'Hello from zzz')
```

**Easier setup and teardown functions / methods**

Testing looks for module-level or class-level setup and teardown functions by name; thus:

```
def setup():
    """Module-level setup"""
    print('doing setup')

def teardown():
    """Module-level teardown"""
    print('doing teardown')
```

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```
class TestMe:
    def setup():
        """Class-level setup"""
        print('doing setup')

    def teardown():
        """Class-level teardown"""
        print('doing teardown')
```

Setup and teardown functions to functions and methods are known as “fixtures”, and their use is not encouraged.

## Parametric tests

One very nice feature of testing is allowing easy testing across a range of parameters - a nasty problem for standard unit tests. Use the `pytest.mark.parametrize` decorator.

## Doctests

Doctests are a convenient way of documenting the behavior of a function and allowing that behavior to be tested at the same time. The output of an interactive Python session can be included in the docstring of a function, and the test framework can run the example and compare the actual output to the expected output.

The doctests can be run by adding the `doctests` argument to the `test()` call; for example, to run all tests (including doctests) for `numpy.lib`:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> np.lib.test(doctests=True)
```

The doctests are run as if they are in a fresh Python instance which has executed `import numpy as np`. Tests that are part of a NumPy subpackage will have that subpackage already imported. E.g. for a test in `numpy/linalg/tests/`, the namespace will be created such that `from numpy import linalg` has already executed.

`tests/`

Rather than keeping the code and the tests in the same directory, we put all the tests for a given subpackage in a `tests/` subdirectory. For our example, if it doesn't already exist you will need to create a `tests/` directory in `numpy/xxx/`. So the path for `test_yyy.py` is `numpy/xxx/tests/test_yyy.py`.

Once the `numpy/xxx/tests/test_yyy.py` is written, its possible to run the tests by going to the `tests/` directory and typing:

```
python test_yyy.py
```

Or if you add `numpy/xxx/tests/` to the Python path, you could run the tests interactively in the interpreter like this:

```
>>> import test_yyy
>>> test_yyy.test()
```

**`__init__.py` and `setup.py`**

Usually, however, adding the `tests/` directory to the python path isn't desirable. Instead it would better to invoke the test straight from the module `xxx`. To this end, simply place the following lines at the end of your package's `__init__.py` file:

```
...
def test(level=1, verbosity=1):
    from numpy.testing import Tester
    return Tester().test(level, verbosity)
```

You will also need to add the `tests` directory in the configuration section of your `setup.py`:

```
...
def configuration(parent_package='', top_path=None):
    ...
    config.add_subpackage('tests')
    return config
...
```

Now you can do the following to test your module:

```
>>> import numpy
>>> numpy.xxx.test()
```

Also, when invoking the entire NumPy test suite, your tests will be found and run:

```
>>> import numpy
>>> numpy.test()
# your tests are included and run automatically!
```

**Tips & Tricks****Creating many similar tests**

If you have a collection of tests that must be run multiple times with minor variations, it can be helpful to create a base class containing all the common tests, and then create a subclass for each variation. Several examples of this technique exist in NumPy; below are excerpts from one in `numpy/linalg/tests/test_linalg.py`:

```
class LinalgTestCase:
    def test_single(self):
        a = array([[1., 2.], [3., 4.]], dtype=single)
        b = array([2., 1.], dtype=single)
        self.do(a, b)

    def test_double(self):
        a = array([[1., 2.], [3., 4.]], dtype=double)
        b = array([2., 1.], dtype=double)
        self.do(a, b)

    ...

class TestSolve(LinalgTestCase):
    def do(self, a, b):
        x = linalg.solve(a, b)
        assert_allclose(b, dot(a, x))
```

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```

    assert imply(isinstance(b, matrix), isinstance(x, matrix))

class TestInv(LinalgTestCase):
    def do(self, a, b):
        a_inv = linalg.inv(a)
        assert_allclose(dot(a, a_inv), identity(asarray(a).shape[0]))
        assert imply(isinstance(a, matrix), isinstance(a_inv, matrix))

```

In this case, we wanted to test solving a linear algebra problem using matrices of several data types, using `linalg.solve` and `linalg.inv`. The common test cases (for single-precision, double-precision, etc. matrices) are collected in `LinalgTestCase`.

## Known failures & skipping tests

Sometimes you might want to skip a test or mark it as a known failure, such as when the test suite is being written before the code it's meant to test, or if a test only fails on a particular architecture.

To skip a test, simply use `skipif`:

```

import pytest

@pytest.mark.skipif(SkipMyTest, reason="Skipping this test because...")
def test_something(foo):
    ...

```

The test is marked as skipped if `SkipMyTest` evaluates to nonzero, and the message in verbose test output is the second argument given to `skipif`. Similarly, a test can be marked as a known failure by using `xfail`:

```

import pytest

@pytest.mark.xfail(MyTestFails, reason="This test is known to fail because...")
def test_something_else(foo):
    ...

```

Of course, a test can be unconditionally skipped or marked as a known failure by using `skip` or `xfail` without argument, respectively.

A total of the number of skipped and known failing tests is displayed at the end of the test run. Skipped tests are marked as '`S`' in the test results (or '`SKIPPED`' for `verbose > 1`), and known failing tests are marked as '`x`' (or '`XFAIL`' if `verbose > 1`).

## Tests on random data

Tests on random data are good, but since test failures are meant to expose new bugs or regressions, a test that passes most of the time but fails occasionally with no code changes is not helpful. Make the random data deterministic by setting the random number seed before generating it. Use either Python's `random.seed(some_number)` or NumPy's `numpy.random.seed(some_number)`, depending on the source of random numbers.

Alternatively, you can use `Hypothesis` to generate arbitrary data. `Hypothesis` manages both Python's and NumPy's random seeds for you, and provides a very concise and powerful way to describe data (including `hypothesis.extra.numpy`, e.g. for a set of mutually-broadcastable shapes).

The advantages over random generation include tools to replay and share failures without requiring a fixed seed, reporting *minimal* examples for each failure, and better-than-naive-random techniques for triggering bugs.

**Documentation for `numpy.test`**

`numpy.test(label='fast', verbose=1, extra_argv=None, doctests=False, coverage=False, durations=-1, tests=None)`

Pytest test runner.

A test function is typically added to a package's `__init__.py` like so:

```
from numpy._pytesttester import PytestTester
test = PytestTester(__name__).test
del PytestTester
```

Calling this test function finds and runs all tests associated with the module and all its sub-modules.

**Parameters****module\_name**

[module name] The name of the module to test.

**Notes**

Unlike the previous `nose`-based implementation, this class is not publicly exposed as it performs some numpy-specific warning suppression.

**Attributes****module\_name**

[str] Full path to the package to test.

## 5.27 Window functions

### 5.27.1 Various windows

<code>bartlett(M)</code>	Return the Bartlett window.
<code>blackman(M)</code>	Return the Blackman window.
<code>hamming(M)</code>	Return the Hamming window.
<code>hanning(M)</code>	Return the Hanning window.
<code>kaiser(M, beta)</code>	Return the Kaiser window.

`numpy.bartlett(M)`

Return the Bartlett window.

The Bartlett window is very similar to a triangular window, except that the end points are at zero. It is often used in signal processing for tapering a signal, without generating too much ripple in the frequency domain.

**Parameters****M**

[int] Number of points in the output window. If zero or less, an empty array is returned.

**Returns**

**out**

[array] The triangular window, with the maximum value normalized to one (the value one appears only if the number of samples is odd), with the first and last samples equal to zero.

**See also:**

[blackman](#), [hamming](#), [hanning](#), [kaiser](#)

**Notes**

The Bartlett window is defined as

$$w(n) = \frac{2}{M-1} \left( \frac{M-1}{2} - \left| n - \frac{M-1}{2} \right| \right)$$

Most references to the Bartlett window come from the signal processing literature, where it is used as one of many windowing functions for smoothing values. Note that convolution with this window produces linear interpolation. It is also known as an apodization (which means “removing the foot”, i.e. smoothing discontinuities at the beginning and end of the sampled signal) or tapering function. The Fourier transform of the Bartlett window is the product of two sinc functions. Note the excellent discussion in Kanasewich [2].

**References**

[1], [2], [3], [4], [5]

**Examples**

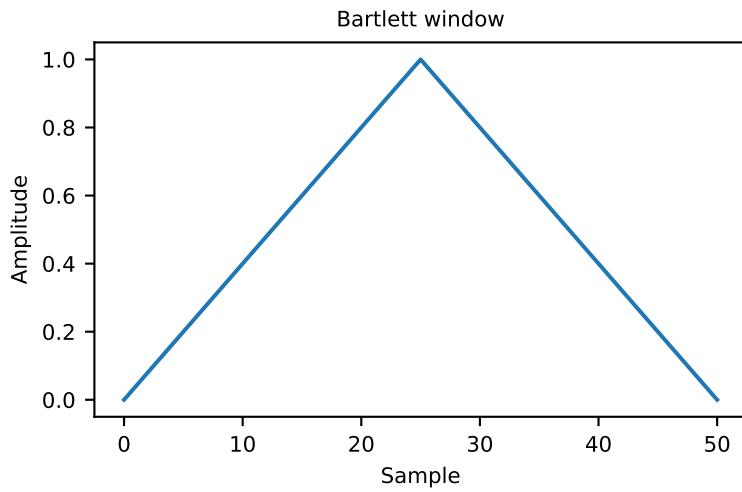
```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> np.bartlett(12)
array([ 0.          ,  0.18181818,  0.36363636,  0.54545455,  0.72727273, # may vary
       0.90909091,  0.90909091,  0.72727273,  0.54545455,  0.36363636,
       0.18181818,  0.          ])
```

Plot the window and its frequency response (requires SciPy and matplotlib):

```
>>> from numpy.fft import fft, fftshift
>>> window = np.bartlett(51)
>>> plt.plot(window)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Bartlett window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Bartlett window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Amplitude')
>>> plt.xlabel("Sample")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Sample')
>>> plt.show()
```

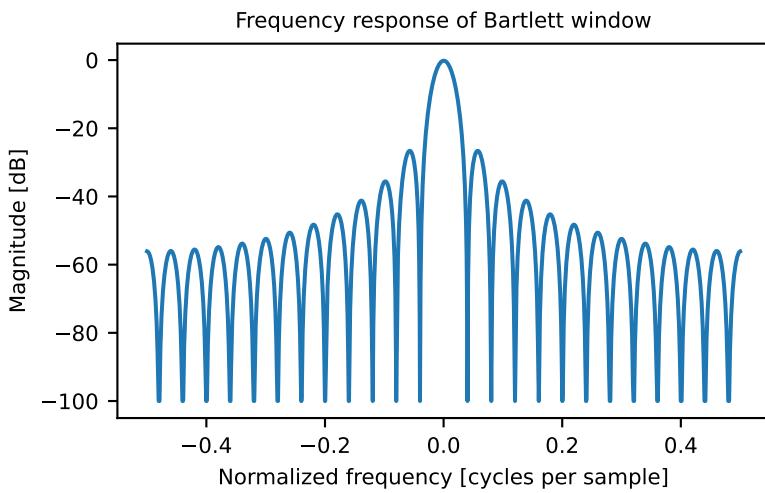
```
>>> plt.figure()
<Figure size 640x480 with 0 Axes>
>>> A = fft(window, 2048) / 25.5
>>> mag = np.abs(fftshift(A))
>>> freq = np.linspace(-0.5, 0.5, len(A))
```

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```
>>> with np.errstate(divide='ignore', invalid='ignore'):
...     response = 20 * np.log10(mag)
...
>>> response = np.clip(response, -100, 100)
>>> plt.plot(freq, response)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Frequency response of Bartlett window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Frequency response of Bartlett window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Magnitude [dB]")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Magnitude [dB]')
>>> plt.xlabel("Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]')
>>> _ = plt.axis('tight')
>>> plt.show()
```



**numpy.blackman(M)**

Return the Blackman window.

The Blackman window is a taper formed by using the first three terms of a summation of cosines. It was designed to have close to the minimal leakage possible. It is close to optimal, only slightly worse than a Kaiser window.

**Parameters****M**

[int] Number of points in the output window. If zero or less, an empty array is returned.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray] The window, with the maximum value normalized to one (the value one appears only if the number of samples is odd).

**See also:**

[\*\*bartlett\*\*](#), [\*\*hamming\*\*](#), [\*\*hanning\*\*](#), [\*\*kaiser\*\*](#)

**Notes**

The Blackman window is defined as

$$w(n) = 0.42 - 0.5 \cos(2\pi n/M) + 0.08 \cos(4\pi n/M)$$

Most references to the Blackman window come from the signal processing literature, where it is used as one of many windowing functions for smoothing values. It is also known as an apodization (which means “removing the foot”, i.e. smoothing discontinuities at the beginning and end of the sampled signal) or tapering function. It is known as a “near optimal” tapering function, almost as good (by some measures) as the kaiser window.

**References**

Blackman, R.B. and Tukey, J.W., (1958) The measurement of power spectra, Dover Publications, New York.

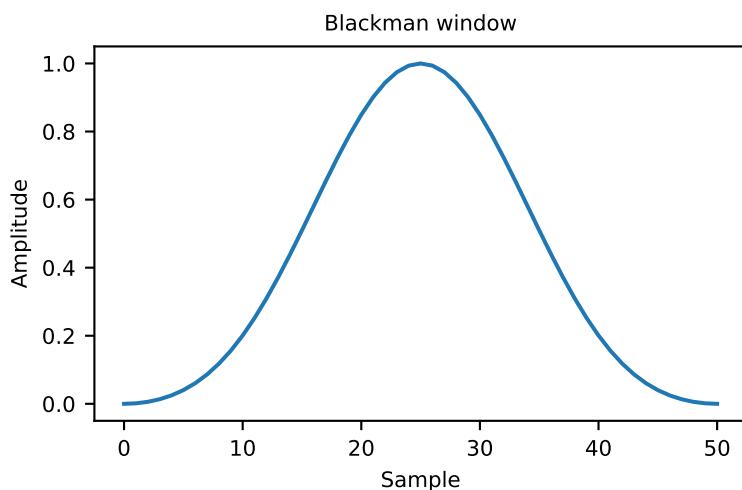
Oppenheim, A.V., and R.W. Schafer. Discrete-Time Signal Processing. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice-Hall, 1999, pp. 468-471.

**Examples**

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> np.blackman(12)
array([-1.38777878e-17,    3.26064346e-02,    1.59903635e-01, # may vary
       4.14397981e-01,    7.36045180e-01,    9.67046769e-01,
       9.67046769e-01,    7.36045180e-01,    4.14397981e-01,
      1.59903635e-01,    3.26064346e-02,   -1.38777878e-17])
```

Plot the window and the frequency response:

```
>>> from numpy.fft import fft, fftshift
>>> window = np.blackman(51)
>>> plt.plot(window)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Blackman window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Blackman window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Amplitude')
>>> plt.xlabel("Sample")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Sample')
>>> plt.show()
```

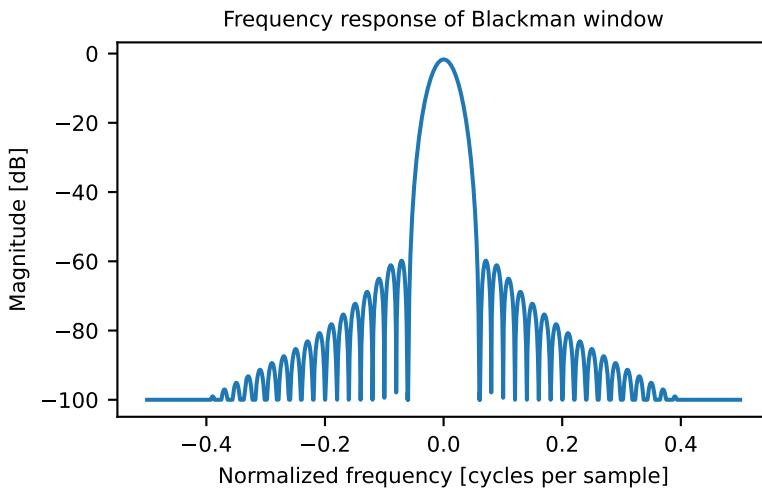


```
>>> plt.figure()
<Figure size 640x480 with 0 Axes>
>>> A = fft(window, 2048) / 25.5
>>> mag = np.abs(fftshift(A))
>>> freq = np.linspace(-0.5, 0.5, len(A))
>>> with np.errstate(divide='ignore', invalid='ignore'):
...     response = 20 * np.log10(mag)
...
>>> response = np.clip(response, -100, 100)
>>> plt.plot(freq, response)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Frequency response of Blackman window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Frequency response of Blackman window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Magnitude [dB]")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Magnitude [dB]')
>>> plt.xlabel("Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]')
>>> _ = plt.axis('tight')
>>> plt.show()
```

**numpy.hamming(M)**

Return the Hamming window.

The Hamming window is a taper formed by using a weighted cosine.



## Parameters

### M

[int] Number of points in the output window. If zero or less, an empty array is returned.

## Returns

### out

[ndarray] The window, with the maximum value normalized to one (the value one appears only if the number of samples is odd).

## See also:

[`bartlett`](#), [`blackman`](#), [`hanning`](#), [`kaiser`](#)

## Notes

The Hamming window is defined as

$$w(n) = 0.54 - 0.46 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{M-1}\right) \quad 0 \leq n \leq M-1$$

The Hamming was named for R. W. Hamming, an associate of J. W. Tukey and is described in Blackman and Tukey. It was recommended for smoothing the truncated autocovariance function in the time domain. Most references to the Hamming window come from the signal processing literature, where it is used as one of many windowing functions for smoothing values. It is also known as an apodization (which means “removing the foot”, i.e. smoothing discontinuities at the beginning and end of the sampled signal) or tapering function.

## References

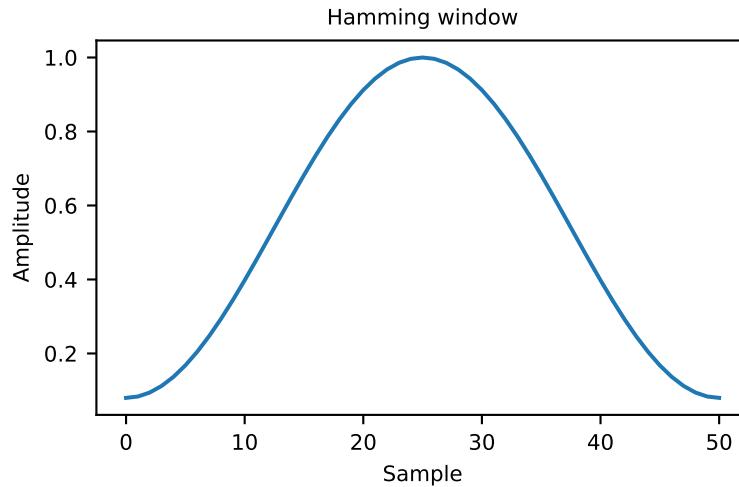
[1], [2], [3], [4]

## Examples

```
>>> np.hamming(12)
array([ 0.08         ,  0.15302337,  0.34890909,  0.60546483,  0.84123594, # may vary
       0.98136677,  0.98136677,  0.84123594,  0.60546483,  0.34890909,
       0.15302337,  0.08         ])
```

Plot the window and the frequency response:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from numpy.fft import fft, fftshift
>>> window = np.hamming(51)
>>> plt.plot(window)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Hamming window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Hamming window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Amplitude')
>>> plt.xlabel("Sample")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Sample')
>>> plt.show()
```

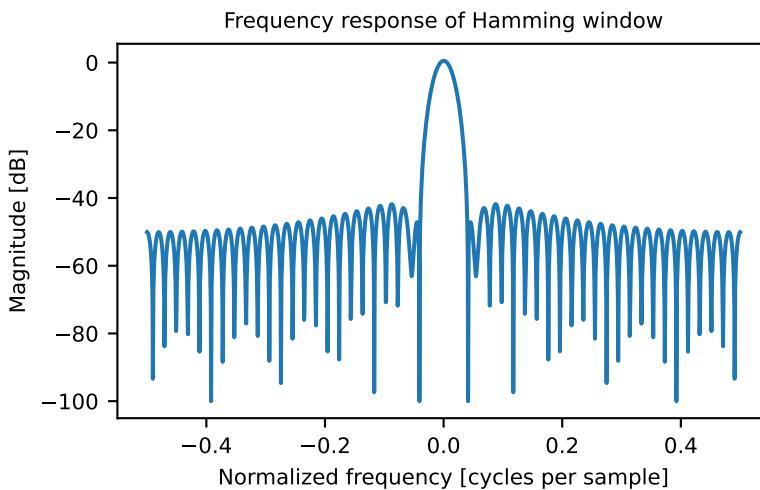


```
>>> plt.figure()
<Figure size 640x480 with 0 Axes>
>>> A = fft(window, 2048) / 25.5
>>> mag = np.abs(fftshift(A))
>>> freq = np.linspace(-0.5, 0.5, len(A))
>>> response = 20 * np.log10(mag)
>>> response = np.clip(response, -100, 100)
>>> plt.plot(freq, response)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
```

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```
>>> plt.title("Frequency response of Hamming window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Frequency response of Hamming window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Magnitude [dB]")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Magnitude [dB]')
>>> plt.xlabel("Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]')
>>> plt.axis('tight')
...
>>> plt.show()
```

**numpy.hanning(M)**

Return the Hanning window.

The Hanning window is a taper formed by using a weighted cosine.

**Parameters****M**

[int] Number of points in the output window. If zero or less, an empty array is returned.

**Returns****out**

[ndarray, shape(M,)] The window, with the maximum value normalized to one (the value one appears only if  $M$  is odd).

**See also:**

[\*\*bartlett\*\*](#), [\*\*blackman\*\*](#), [\*\*hamming\*\*](#), [\*\*kaiser\*\*](#)

## Notes

The Hanning window is defined as

$$w(n) = 0.5 - 0.5 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{M-1}\right) \quad 0 \leq n \leq M-1$$

The Hanning was named for Julius von Hann, an Austrian meteorologist. It is also known as the Cosine Bell. Some authors prefer that it be called a Hann window, to help avoid confusion with the very similar Hamming window.

Most references to the Hanning window come from the signal processing literature, where it is used as one of many windowing functions for smoothing values. It is also known as an apodization (which means “removing the foot”, i.e. smoothing discontinuities at the beginning and end of the sampled signal) or tapering function.

## References

[1], [2], [3], [4]

## Examples

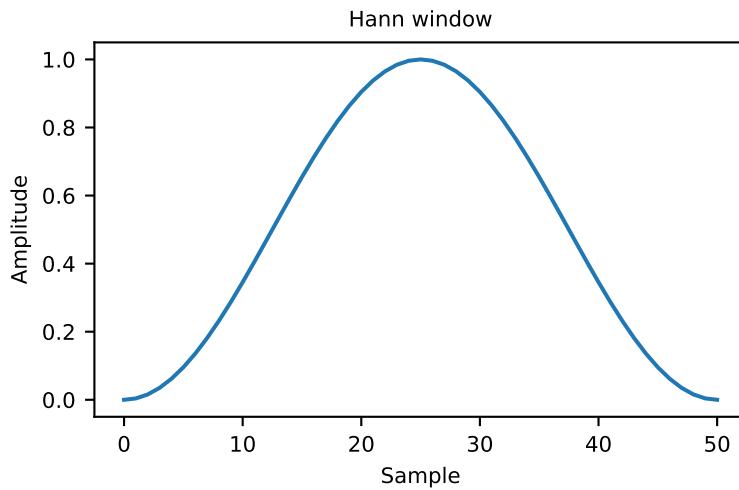
```
>>> np.hanning(12)
array([0.          , 0.07937323, 0.29229249, 0.57115742, 0.82743037,
       0.97974649, 0.97974649, 0.82743037, 0.57115742, 0.29229249,
       0.07937323, 0.          ])
```

Plot the window and its frequency response:

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> from numpy.fft import fft, fftshift
>>> window = np.hanning(51)
>>> plt.plot(window)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Hann window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Hann window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Amplitude')
>>> plt.xlabel("Sample")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Sample')
>>> plt.show()
```

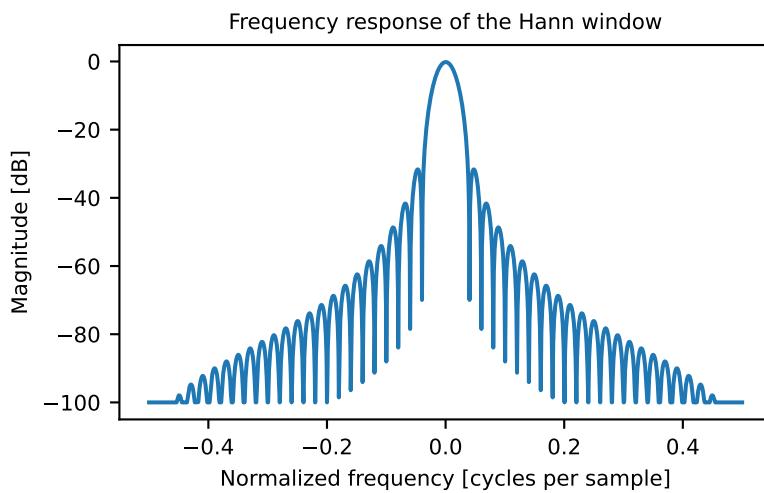
```
>>> plt.figure()
<Figure size 640x480 with 0 Axes>
>>> A = fft(window, 2048) / 25.5
>>> mag = np.abs(fftshift(A))
>>> freq = np.linspace(-0.5, 0.5, len(A))
>>> with np.errstate(divide='ignore', invalid='ignore'):
...     response = 20 * np.log10(mag)
...
>>> response = np.clip(response, -100, 100)
>>> plt.plot(freq, response)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Frequency response of the Hann window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Frequency response of the Hann window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Magnitude [dB]")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Magnitude [dB]')
```

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```
>>> plt.xlabel("Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]')
>>> plt.axis('tight')
...
>>> plt.show()
```



`numpy.kaiser(M, beta)`

Return the Kaiser window.

The Kaiser window is a taper formed by using a Bessel function.

#### Parameters

`M`

[int] Number of points in the output window. If zero or less, an empty array is returned.

### beta

[float] Shape parameter for window.

### Returns

#### out

[array] The window, with the maximum value normalized to one (the value one appears only if the number of samples is odd).

See also:

[bartlett](#), [blackman](#), [hamming](#), [hanning](#)

### Notes

The Kaiser window is defined as

$$w(n) = I_0 \left( \beta \sqrt{1 - \frac{4n^2}{(M-1)^2}} \right) / I_0(\beta)$$

with

$$-\frac{M-1}{2} \leq n \leq \frac{M-1}{2},$$

where  $I_0$  is the modified zeroth-order Bessel function.

The Kaiser was named for Jim Kaiser, who discovered a simple approximation to the DPSS window based on Bessel functions. The Kaiser window is a very good approximation to the Digital Prolate Spheroidal Sequence, or Slepian window, which is the transform which maximizes the energy in the main lobe of the window relative to total energy.

The Kaiser can approximate many other windows by varying the beta parameter.

beta	Window shape
0	Rectangular
5	Similar to a Hamming
6	Similar to a Hanning
8.6	Similar to a Blackman

A beta value of 14 is probably a good starting point. Note that as beta gets large, the window narrows, and so the number of samples needs to be large enough to sample the increasingly narrow spike, otherwise NaNs will get returned.

Most references to the Kaiser window come from the signal processing literature, where it is used as one of many windowing functions for smoothing values. It is also known as an apodization (which means “removing the foot”, i.e. smoothing discontinuities at the beginning and end of the sampled signal) or tapering function.

## References

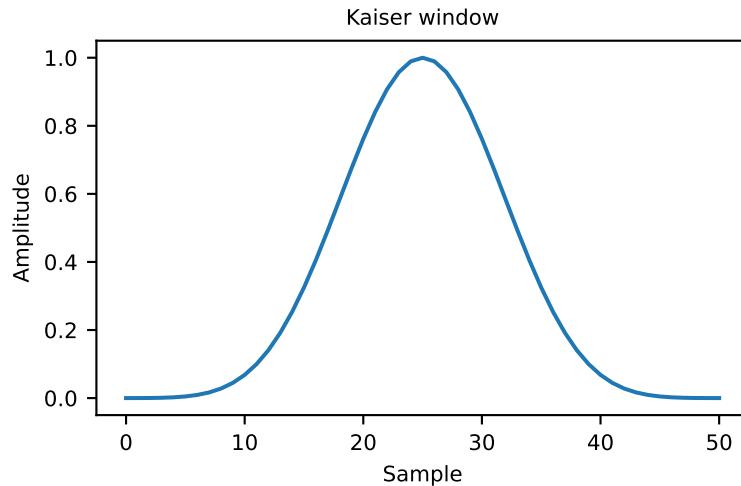
[1], [2], [3]

## Examples

```
>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> np.kaiser(12, 14)
array([7.72686684e-06, 3.46009194e-03, 4.65200189e-02, # may vary
       2.29737120e-01, 5.99885316e-01, 9.45674898e-01,
       9.45674898e-01, 5.99885316e-01, 2.29737120e-01,
       4.65200189e-02, 3.46009194e-03, 7.72686684e-06])
```

Plot the window and the frequency response:

```
>>> from numpy.fft import fft, fftshift
>>> window = np.kaiser(51, 14)
>>> plt.plot(window)
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Kaiser window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Kaiser window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Amplitude')
>>> plt.xlabel("Sample")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Sample')
>>> plt.show()
```

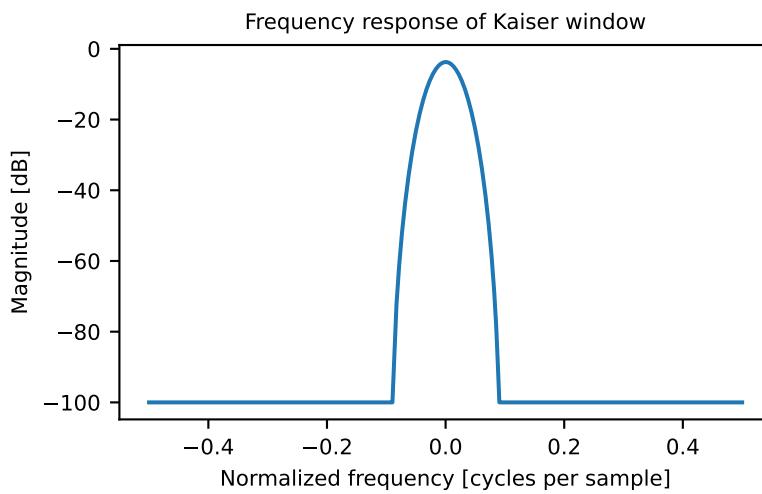


```
>>> plt.figure()
<Figure size 640x480 with 0 Axes>
>>> A = fft(window, 2048) / 25.5
>>> mag = np.abs(fftshift(A))
>>> freq = np.linspace(-0.5, 0.5, len(A))
>>> response = 20 * np.log10(mag)
>>> response = np.clip(response, -100, 100)
>>> plt.plot(freq, response)
```

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```
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x...>]
>>> plt.title("Frequency response of Kaiser window")
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Frequency response of Kaiser window')
>>> plt.ylabel("Magnitude [dB]")
Text(0, 0.5, 'Magnitude [dB]')
>>> plt.xlabel("Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]")
Text(0.5, 0, 'Normalized frequency [cycles per sample]')
>>> plt.axis('tight')
(-0.5, 0.5, -100.0, ...) # may vary
>>> plt.show()
```



## TYPING (NUMPY.TYPING)

New in version 1.20.

Large parts of the NumPy API have PEP-484-style type annotations. In addition a number of type aliases are available to users, most prominently the two below:

- *ArrayLike*: objects that can be converted to arrays
- *DTypeLike*: objects that can be converted to dtypes

### 6.1 Mypy plugin

New in version 1.21. A `mypy` plugin for managing a number of platform-specific annotations. Its functionality can be split into three distinct parts:

- Assigning the (platform-dependent) precisions of certain `number` subclasses, including the likes of `int_`, `intp` and `longlong`. See the documentation on `scalar types` for a comprehensive overview of the affected classes. Without the plugin the precision of all relevant classes will be inferred as `Any`.
- Removing all extended-precision `number` subclasses that are unavailable for the platform in question. Most notably this includes the likes of `float128` and `complex256`. Without the plugin *all* extended-precision types will, as far as mypy is concerned, be available to all platforms.
- Assigning the (platform-dependent) precision of `c_intp`. Without the plugin the type will default to `ctypes.c_int64`.

New in version 1.22.

#### 6.1.1 Examples

To enable the plugin, one must add it to their mypy configuration file:

```
[mypy]
plugins = numpy.typing.mypy_plugin
```

## 6.2 Differences from the runtime NumPy API

NumPy is very flexible. Trying to describe the full range of possibilities statically would result in types that are not very helpful. For that reason, the typed NumPy API is often stricter than the runtime NumPy API. This section describes some notable differences.

### 6.2.1 ArrayLike

The `ArrayLike` type tries to avoid creating object arrays. For example,

```
>>> np.array(x**2 for x in range(10))
array(<generator object <genexpr> at ...>, dtype=object)
```

is valid NumPy code which will create a 0-dimensional object array. Type checkers will complain about the above example when using the NumPy types however. If you really intended to do the above, then you can either use a `# type: ignore` comment:

```
>>> np.array(x**2 for x in range(10)) # type: ignore
```

or explicitly type the array like object as `Any`:

```
>>> from typing import Any
>>> array_like: Any = (x**2 for x in range(10))
>>> np.array(array_like)
array(<generator object <genexpr> at ...>, dtype=object)
```

### 6.2.2 ndarray

It's possible to mutate the `dtype` of an array at runtime. For example, the following code is valid:

```
>>> x = np.array([1, 2])
>>> x.dtype = np.bool_
```

This sort of mutation is not allowed by the types. Users who want to write statically typed code should instead use the `numpy.ndarray.view` method to create a view of the array with a different `dtype`.

### 6.2.3 DTypeLike

The `DTypeLike` type tries to avoid creation of `dtype` objects using dictionary of fields like below:

```
>>> x = np.dtype({"field1": (float, 1), "field2": (int, 3)})
```

Although this is valid NumPy code, the type checker will complain about it, since its usage is discouraged. Please see : [Data type objects](#)

## 6.2.4 Number precision

The precision of `numpy.number` subclasses is treated as a covariant generic parameter (see `NBitBase`), simplifying the annotating of processes involving precision-based casting.

```
>>> from typing import TypeVar
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import numpy.typing as npt

>>> T = TypeVar("T", bound=npt.NBitBase)
>>> def func(a: "np.floating[T]", b: "np.floating[T]") -> "np.floating[T]":
...     ...
```

Consequently, the likes of `float16`, `float32` and `float64` are still sub-types of `floating`, but, contrary to runtime, they're not necessarily considered as sub-classes.

## 6.2.5 Timedelta64

The `timedelta64` class is not considered a subclass of `signedinteger`, the former only inheriting from `generic` while static type checking.

## 6.2.6 0D arrays

During runtime numpy aggressively casts any passed 0D arrays into their corresponding `generic` instance. Until the introduction of shape typing (see [PEP 646](#)) it is unfortunately not possible to make the necessary distinction between 0D and >0D arrays. While thus not strictly correct, all operations that can potentially perform a 0D-array -> scalar cast are currently annotated as exclusively returning an `ndarray`.

If it is known in advance that an operation \_will\_ perform a 0D-array -> scalar cast, then one can consider manually remedying the situation with either `typing.cast` or a `# type: ignore` comment.

## 6.2.7 Record array dtypes

The dtype of `numpy.recarray`, and the `numpy.rec` functions in general, can be specified in one of two ways:

- Directly via the `dtype` argument.
- With up to five helper arguments that operate via `numpy.format_parser`: `formats`, `names`, `titles`, `aligned` and `byteorder`.

These two approaches are currently typed as being mutually exclusive, *i.e.* if `dtype` is specified than one may not specify `formats`. While this mutual exclusivity is not (strictly) enforced during runtime, combining both dtype specifiers can lead to unexpected or even downright buggy behavior.

## 6.3 API

`numpy.typing.ArrayLike = typing.Union[...]`

A `Union` representing objects that can be coerced into an `ndarray`.

Among others this includes the likes of:

- Scalars.
- (Nested) sequences.
- Objects implementing the `__array__` protocol.

New in version 1.20.

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### See Also

`array_like`:

Any scalar or sequence that can be interpreted as an ndarray.

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### Examples

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import numpy.typing as npt

>>> def as_array(a: npt.ArrayLike) -> np.ndarray:
...     return np.array(a)
```

`numpy.typing.DTypeLike = typing.Union[...]`

A `Union` representing objects that can be coerced into a `dtype`.

Among others this includes the likes of:

- `type` objects.
- Character codes or the names of `type` objects.
- Objects with the `.dtype` attribute.

New in version 1.20.

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### See Also

*Specifying and constructing data types*

A comprehensive overview of all objects that can be coerced into data types.

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## Examples

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import numpy.typing as npt

>>> def as_dtype(d: npt.DTypeLike) -> np.dtype:
...     return np.dtype(d)
```

`numpy.typing.NDArray = numpy.ndarray[typing.Any, numpy.dtype[+ScalarType]]`

A generic version of `np.ndarray[Any, np.dtype[+ScalarType]]`.

Can be used during runtime for typing arrays with a given dtype and unspecified shape.

New in version 1.21.

## Examples

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import numpy.typing as npt

>>> print(npt.NDArray)
numpy.ndarray[typing.Any, numpy.dtype[+ScalarType]]

>>> print(npt.NDArray[np.float64])
numpy.ndarray[typing.Any, numpy.dtype[numpy.float64]]

>>> NDArrInt = npt.NDArray[np.int_]
>>> a: NDArrInt = np.arange(10)

>>> def func(a: npt.ArrayLike) -> npt.NDArray[Any]:
...     return np.array(a)
```

`class numpy.typing.NBitBase`

A type representing `numpy.number` precision during static type checking.

Used exclusively for the purpose static type checking, `NBitBase` represents the base of a hierarchical set of subclasses. Each subsequent subclass is herein used for representing a lower level of precision, e.g. `64Bit > 32Bit > 16Bit`.

New in version 1.20.

## Examples

Below is a typical usage example: `NBitBase` is herein used for annotating a function that takes a float and integer of arbitrary precision as arguments and returns a new float of whichever precision is largest (e.g. `np.float16 + np.int64 -> np.float64`).

```
>>> from __future__ import annotations
>>> from typing import TypeVar, TYPE_CHECKING
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import numpy.typing as npt

>>> T1 = TypeVar("T1", bound=npt.NBitBase)
>>> T2 = TypeVar("T2", bound=npt.NBitBase)
```

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```
>>> def add(a: np.floating[T1], b: np.integer[T2]) -> np.floating[T1 | T2]:  
...     return a + b  
  
>>> a = np.float16()  
>>> b = np.int64()  
>>> out = add(a, b)  
  
>>> if TYPE_CHECKING:  
...     reveal_locals()  
...     # note: Revealed local types are:  
...     # note:     a: numpy.floating[numpy.typing._16Bit*]  
...     # note:     b: numpy.signedinteger[numpy.typing._64Bit*]  
...     # note:     out: numpy.floating[numpy.typing._64Bit*]
```

## GLOBAL STATE

NumPy has a few import-time, compile-time, or runtime options which change the global behaviour. Most of these are related to performance or for debugging purposes and will not be interesting to the vast majority of users.

### 7.1 Performance-Related Options

#### 7.1.1 Number of Threads used for Linear Algebra

NumPy itself is normally intentionally limited to a single thread during function calls, however it does support multiple Python threads running at the same time. Note that for performant linear algebra NumPy uses a BLAS backend such as OpenBLAS or MKL, which may use multiple threads that may be controlled by environment variables such as `OMP_NUM_THREADS` depending on what is used. One way to control the number of threads is the package `threadpoolctl`

#### 7.1.2 Madvise Hugepage on Linux

When working with very large arrays on modern Linux kernels, you can experience a significant speedup when `transparent_hugepage` is used. The current system policy for transparent hugepages can be seen by:

```
cat /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled
```

When set to `madvise` NumPy will typically use hugepages for a performance boost. This behaviour can be modified by setting the environment variable:

```
NUMPY_MADVISE_HUGEPAGE=0
```

or setting it to 1 to always enable it. When not set, the default is to use `madvise` on Kernels 4.6 and newer. These kernels presumably experience a large speedup with hugepage support. This flag is checked at import time.

### 7.2 Interoperability-Related Options

The array function protocol which allows array-like objects to hook into the NumPy API is currently enabled by default. This option exists since NumPy 1.16 and is enabled by default since NumPy 1.17. It can be disabled using:

```
NUMPY_EXPERIMENTAL_ARRAY_FUNCTION=0
```

See also `numpy.class.__array_function__` for more information. This flag is checked at import time.

## 7.3 Debugging-Related Options

### 7.3.1 Relaxed Strides Checking

The *compile-time* environment variable:

```
NPY_RELAXED_STRIDES_DEBUG=0
```

can be set to help debug code written in C which iterates through arrays manually. When an array is contiguous and iterated in a contiguous manner, its `strides` should not be queried. This option can help find errors where the `strides` are incorrectly used. For details see the [memory layout](#) documentation.

### 7.3.2 Warn if no memory allocation policy when deallocating data

Some users might pass ownership of the data pointer to the `ndarray` by setting the `OWNDATA` flag. If they do this without setting (manually) a memory allocation policy, the default will be to call `free`. If `NUMPY_WARN_IF_NO_MEM_POLICY` is set to "1", a `RuntimeWarning` will be emitted. A better alternative is to use a `PyCapsule` with a deallocator and set the `ndarray.base`.

## PACKAGING (NUMPY.DISTUTILS)

**Warning:** `numpy.distutils` is deprecated, and will be removed for Python >= 3.12. For more details, see [Status of numpy.distutils and migration advice](#)

NumPy provides enhanced distutils functionality to make it easier to build and install sub-packages, auto-generate code, and extension modules that use Fortran-compiled libraries. To use features of NumPy distutils, use the `setup` command from `numpy.distutils.core`. A useful `Configuration` class is also provided in `numpy.distutils.misc_util` that can make it easier to construct keyword arguments to pass to the `setup` function (by passing the dictionary obtained from the `todict()` method of the class). More information is available in the [NumPy Distutils - Users Guide](#).

The choice and location of linked libraries such as BLAS and LAPACK as well as include paths and other such build options can be specified in a `site.cfg` file located in the NumPy root repository or a `.numpy-site.cfg` file in your home directory. See the `site.cfg.example` example file included in the NumPy repository or `sdist` for documentation.

## 8.1 Modules in `numpy.distutils`

### 8.1.1 `distutils.misc_util`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.all_strings(lst)`

Return True if all items in `lst` are string objects.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.allpath(name)`

Convert a `/`-separated pathname to one using the OS's path separator.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.appendpath(prefix, path)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.asList(seq)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.blue_text(s)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.cyan_text(s)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.cyg2win32(path: str) → str`

Convert a path from Cygwin-native to Windows-native.

Uses the `cypath` utility (part of the Base install) to do the actual conversion. Falls back to returning the original path if this fails.

Handles the default /cygdrive mount prefix as well as the /proc/cygdrive portable prefix, custom cygdrive prefixes such as / or /mnt, and absolute paths such as /usr/src/ or /home/username

### Parameters

#### path

[str] The path to convert

### Returns

#### converted\_path

[str] The converted path

### Notes

Documentation for cygpath utility: <https://cygwin.com/cygwin-ug-net/cygpath.html> Documentation for the C function it wraps: <https://cygwin.com/cygwin-api/func-cygwin-conv-path.html>

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.default_config_dict(name=None, parent_name=None, local_path=None)`

Return a configuration dictionary for usage in configuration() function defined in file setup\_<name>.py.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.dict_append(d, **kws)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.dot_join(*args)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.exec_mod_from_location(modname, modfile)`

Use importlib machinery to import a module *modname* from the file *modfile*. Depending on the *spec.loader*, the module may not be registered in sys.modules.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.filter_sources(sources)`

Return four lists of filenames containing C, C++, Fortran, and Fortran 90 module sources, respectively.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.generate_config_py(target)`

Generate config.py file containing system\_info information used during building the package.

### Usage:

`config['py_modules'].append((packagename, '__config__', generate_config_py))`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_build_architecture()`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_cmd(cmdname, _cache={})`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_data_files(data)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_dependencies(sources)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_ext_source_files(ext)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_frame(level=0)`

Return frame object from call stack with given level.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_info(pkgname, dirs=None)`

Return an info dict for a given C library.

The info dict contains the necessary options to use the C library.

### Parameters

#### `pkgname`

[str] Name of the package (should match the name of the .ini file, without the extension, e.g. foo for the file foo.ini).

#### `dirs`

[sequence, optional] If given, should be a sequence of additional directories where to look for npy-pkg-config files. Those directories are searched prior to the NumPy directory.

### Returns

#### `info`

[dict] The dictionary with build information.

### Raises

#### `PkgNotFound`

If the package is not found.

### See also:

`Configuration.add_npy_pkg_config`, `Configuration.add_installed_library`  
`get_pkg_info`

### Examples

To get the necessary information for the npymath library from NumPy:

```
>>> npymath_info = np.distutils.misc_util.get_info('npymath')
>>> npymath_info
{'define_macros': [], 'libraries': ['npymath'], 'library_dirs': ['../../numpy/core/lib'], 'include_dirs': ['../../numpy/core/include']}
```

This info dict can then be used as input to a `Configuration` instance:

```
config.add_extension('foo', sources=['foo.c'], extra_info=npymath_info)
```

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_language(sources)`

Determine language value (c,f77,f90) from sources

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_lib_source_files(lib)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_mathlibs(path=None)`

Return the MATHLIB line from numpyconfig.h

```
numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_num_build_jobs()
```

Get number of parallel build jobs set by the `-parallel` command line argument of `setup.py`. If the command did not receive a setting the environment variable `NPY_NUM_BUILD_JOBS` is checked. If that is unset, return the number of processors on the system, with a maximum of 8 (to prevent overloading the system if there are a lot of CPUs).

#### Returns

##### out

[int] number of parallel jobs that can be run

```
numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_numpy_include_dirs()
```

```
numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_pkg_info(pkgname, dirs=None)
```

Return library info for the given package.

#### Parameters

##### pkgname

[str] Name of the package (should match the name of the .ini file, without the extension, e.g. `foo` for the file `foo.ini`).

##### dirs

[sequence, optional] If given, should be a sequence of additional directories where to look for `npy-pkg-config` files. Those directories are searched prior to the NumPy directory.

#### Returns

##### pkginfo

[class instance] The *LibraryInfo* instance containing the build information.

#### Raises

##### PkgNotFound

If the package is not found.

#### See also:

`Configuration.add_npy_pkg_config`, `Configuration.add_installed_library`

`get_info`

```
numpy.distutils.misc_util.get_script_files(scripts)
```

```
numpy.distutils.misc_util.gpaths(paths, local_path=”, include_non_existing=True)
```

Apply glob to paths and prepend `local_path` if needed.

```
numpy.distutils.misc_util.green_text(s)
```

```
numpy.distutils.misc_util.has_cxx_sources(sources)
```

Return True if sources contains C++ files

```
numpy.distutils.misc_util.has_f_sources(sources)
```

Return True if sources contains Fortran files

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`numpy.distutils.misc_util.is_local_src_dir(directory)`

Return true if directory is local directory.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.is_sequence(seq)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.is_string(s)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.mingw32()`

Return true when using mingw32 environment.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.minrelpath(path)`

Resolve ‘.’ from path.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.njoin(*path)`

Join two or more pathname components + - convert a /-separated pathname to one using the OS’s path separator.  
- resolve and from path.

Either passing n arguments as in `njoin('a','b')`, or a sequence of n names as in `njoin(['a','b'])` is handled, or a mixture of such arguments.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.red_text(s)`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.sanitize_cxx_flags(cxxflags)`

Some flags are valid for C but not C++. Prune them.

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.terminal_has_colors()`

`numpy.distutils.misc_util.yellow_text(s)`

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## ccompiler

### ccompiler\_opt

Provides the `CCompilerOpt` class, used for handling the CPU/hardware optimization, starting from parsing the command arguments, to managing the relation between the CPU baseline and dispatch-able features, also generating the required C headers and ending with compiling the sources with proper compiler’s flags.

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### cpuinfo.cpu

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#### `core.Extension(name, sources[, ...])`

##### Parameters

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<code>exec_command</code>	<code>exec_command</code>
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<code>log.set_verbosity(v[, force])</code>	
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<code>system_info.get_info(name[, found_action])</code>	not- found_action:
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<code>system_info.get_standard_file(fname)</code>	Returns a list of files named ‘fname’ from 1) System-wide directory (directory-location of this module) 2) Users HOME directory ( <code>os.environ['HOME']</code> ) 3) Local directory
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## Functions

<code>CCompiler_compile(self, sources[, ...])</code>	Compile one or more source files.
<code>CCompiler_customize(self, dist[, need_cxx])</code>	Do any platform-specific customization of a compiler instance.
<code>CCompiler_customize_cmd(self, cmd[, ignore])</code>	Customize compiler using distutils command.
<code>CCompiler_cxx_compiler(self)</code>	Return the C++ compiler.
<code>CCompiler_find_executables(self)</code>	Does nothing here, but is called by the get_version method and can be overridden by subclasses.
<code>CCompiler_get_version(self[, force, ok_status])</code>	Return compiler version, or None if compiler is not available.
<code>CCompiler_object_filenames(self, ...[, ...])</code>	Return the name of the object files for the given source files.
<code>CCompiler_show_customization(self)</code>	Print the compiler customizations to stdout.
<code>CCompiler_spawn(self, cmd[, display, env])</code>	Execute a command in a sub-process.
<code>gen_lib_options(compiler, library_dirs, ...)</code>	
<code>new_compiler([plat, compiler, verbose, ...])</code>	
<code>replace_method(klass, method_name, func)</code>	
<code>simple_version_match([pat, ignore, start])</code>	Simple matching of version numbers, for use in CCompiler and FCompiler.

```
distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_compile (self, sources, output_dir=None, macros=None,
                                       include_dirs=None, debug=0, extra_pargs=None,
                                       extra_postargs=None, depends=None)
```

Compile one or more source files.

Please refer to the Python distutils API reference for more details.

### Parameters

#### **sources**

[list of str] A list of filenames

#### **output\_dir**

[str, optional] Path to the output directory.

#### **macros**

[list of tuples] A list of macro definitions.

#### **include\_dirs**

[list of str, optional] The directories to add to the default include file search path for this compilation only.

#### **debug**

[bool, optional] Whether or not to output debug symbols in or alongside the object file(s).

#### **extra\_pargs, extra\_postargs**

[?] Extra pre- and post-arguments.

**depends**

[list of str, optional] A list of file names that all targets depend on.

**Returns****objects**

[list of str] A list of object file names, one per source file *sources*.

**Raises****CompileError**

If compilation fails.

```
distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_customize(self, dist, need_cxx=0)
```

Do any platform-specific customization of a compiler instance.

This method calls `distutils.sysconfig.customize_compiler` for platform-specific customization, as well as optionally remove a flag to suppress spurious warnings in case C++ code is being compiled.

**Parameters****dist**

[object] This parameter is not used for anything.

**need\_cxx**

[bool, optional] Whether or not C++ has to be compiled. If so (True), the "-Wstrict-prototypes" option is removed to prevent spurious warnings. Default is False.

**Returns****None****Notes**

All the default options used by distutils can be extracted with:

```
from distutils import sysconfig
sysconfig.get_config_vars('CC', 'CXX', 'OPT', 'BASECFLAGS',
                         'CCSHARED', 'LDSHARED', 'SO')
```

```
distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_customize_cmd(self, cmd, ignore=())
```

Customize compiler using distutils command.

**Parameters****cmd**

[class instance] An instance inheriting from `distutils.cmd.Command`.

**ignore**

[sequence of str, optional] List of CCompiler commands (without 'set\_') that should not be altered. Strings that are checked for are: ('include\_dirs', 'define', 'undef', 'libraries', 'library\_dirs', 'rpath', 'link\_objects').

**Returns****None**

`distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_cxx_compiler(self)`

Return the C++ compiler.

**Parameters****None****Returns****cxx**

[class instance] The C++ compiler, as a CCompiler instance.

`distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_find_executables(self)`

Does nothing here, but is called by the get\_version method and can be overridden by subclasses. In particular it is redefined in the FCompiler class where more documentation can be found.

`distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_get_version(self, force=False, ok_status=[0])`

Return compiler version, or None if compiler is not available.

**Parameters****force**

[bool, optional] If True, force a new determination of the version, even if the compiler already has a version attribute. Default is False.

**ok\_status**

[list of int, optional] The list of status values returned by the version look-up process for which a version string is returned. If the status value is not in *ok\_status*, None is returned. Default is [0].

**Returns****version**

[str or None] Version string, in the format of `distutils.version.LooseVersion`.

`distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_object_filenames(self, source_filenames, strip_dir=0, output_dir="")`

Return the name of the object files for the given source files.

**Parameters**

**source\_filenames**

[list of str] The list of paths to source files. Paths can be either relative or absolute, this is handled transparently.

**strip\_dir**

[bool, optional] Whether to strip the directory from the returned paths. If True, the file name prepended by *output\_dir* is returned. Default is False.

**output\_dir**

[str, optional] If given, this path is prepended to the returned paths to the object files.

**Returns****obj\_names**

[list of str] The list of paths to the object files corresponding to the source files in *source\_filenames*.

```
distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_show_customization(self)
```

Print the compiler customizations to stdout.

**Parameters****None****Returns****None****Notes**

Printing is only done if the distutils log threshold is < 2.

```
distutils.ccompiler.CCompiler_spawn(self, cmd, display=None, env=None)
```

Execute a command in a sub-process.

**Parameters****cmd**

[str] The command to execute.

**display**

[str or sequence of str, optional] The text to add to the log file kept by *numpy.distutils*. If not given, *display* is equal to *cmd*.

**env**

[a dictionary for environment variables, optional]

**Returns****None****Raises**

## DistutilsExecError

If the command failed, i.e. the exit status was not 0.

```
distutils.ccompiler.gen_lib_options(compiler, library_dirs, runtime_library_dirs, libraries)
distutils.ccompiler.new_compiler(plat=None, compiler=None, verbose=None, dry_run=0, force=0)
distutils.ccompiler.replace_method(klass, method_name, func)
distutils.ccompiler.simple_version_match(pat='[-.\d]+', ignore='', start='')
```

Simple matching of version numbers, for use in CCompiler and FCompiler.

### Parameters

#### pat

[str, optional] A regular expression matching version numbers. Default is `r'[-.\d]+'.`

#### ignore

[str, optional] A regular expression matching patterns to skip. Default is '', in which case nothing is skipped.

#### start

[str, optional] A regular expression matching the start of where to start looking for version numbers. Default is '', in which case searching is started at the beginning of the version string given to *matcher*.

### Returns

#### matcher

[callable] A function that is appropriate to use as the `.version_match` attribute of a CCompiler class. *matcher* takes a single parameter, a version string.

Provides the `CCompilerOpt` class, used for handling the CPU/hardware optimization, starting from parsing the command arguments, to managing the relation between the CPU baseline and dispatchable features, also generating the required C headers and ending with compiling the sources with proper compiler's flags.

`ccompilerOpt` doesn't provide runtime detection for the CPU features, instead only focuses on the compiler side, but it creates abstract C headers that can be used later for the final runtime dispatching process.

## Functions

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<code>new_ccompiler_opt(compiler, dispatch_hpath, ...)</code>	Create a new instance of 'CCompilerOpt' and generate the dispatch header which contains the #definitions and headers of platform-specific instruction-sets for the enabled CPU baseline and dispatchable features.
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`distutils.ccompiler_opt.new_ccompiler_opt(compiler, dispatch_hpath, **kwargs)`

Create a new instance of 'CCompilerOpt' and generate the dispatch header which contains the #definitions and headers of platform-specific instruction-sets for the enabled CPU baseline and dispatchable features.

### Parameters

**compiler**

[CCompiler instance]

**dispatch\_hpath**

[str] path of the dispatch header

**\*\*kwargs:** passed as-is to ‘CCompilerOpt(...)'

**Returns**

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new instance of CCompilerOpt

**Classes**

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*CCompilerOpt*(ccompiler[, cpu\_baseline, ...])

A helper class for *CCompiler* aims to provide extra build options to effectively control of compiler optimizations that are directly related to CPU features.

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**class** numpy.distutils.ccompiler\_opt.**CCompilerOpt** (ccompiler, cpu\_baseline='min',  
cpu\_dispatch='max', cache\_path=None)

A helper class for *CCompiler* aims to provide extra build options to effectively control of compiler optimizations that are directly related to CPU features.

**Attributes**

**conf\_cache\_factors**

**conf\_tmp\_path**



## Methods

<code>cache_flush()</code>	Force update the cache.
<code>cc_normalize_flags(flags)</code>	Remove the conflicts that caused due gathering implied features flags.
<code>conf_features_partial()</code>	Return a dictionary of supported CPU features by the platform, and accumulate the rest of undefined options in <code>conf_features</code> , the returned dict has same rules and notes in class attribute <code>conf_features</code> , also its override any options that been set in 'conf_features'.
<code>cpu_baseline_flags()</code>	Returns a list of final CPU baseline compiler flags
<code>cpu_baseline_names()</code>	return a list of final CPU baseline feature names
<code>cpu_dispatch_names()</code>	return a list of final CPU dispatch feature names
<code>dist_compile(sources, flags[, ccompiler])</code>	Wrap CCompiler.compile()
<code>dist_error(*args)</code>	Raise a compiler error
<code>dist_fatal(*args)</code>	Raise a distutils error
<code>dist_info()</code>	Return a tuple containing info about (platform, compiler, extra_args), required by the abstract class '_CCompiler' for discovering the platform environment.
<code>dist_load_module(name, path)</code>	Load a module from file, required by the abstract class '_Cache'.
<code>dist_log(*args[, stderr])</code>	Print a console message
<code>dist_test(source, flags[, macros])</code>	Return True if 'CCompiler.compile()' able to compile a source file with certain flags.
<code>feature_ahead(names)</code>	Return list of features in 'names' after remove any implied features and keep the origins.
<code>feature_c_preprocessor(feature_name[, tabs])</code>	Generate C preprocessor definitions and include headers of a CPU feature.
<code>feature_detect(names)</code>	Return a list of CPU features that required to be detected sorted from the lowest to highest interest.
<code>feature_get_til(names, keyisfalse)</code>	same as <code>feature_implies_c()</code> but stop collecting implied features when feature's option that provided through parameter 'keyisfalse' is False, also sorting the returned features.
<code>feature_implies(names[, keep_origins])</code>	Return a set of CPU features that implied by 'names'
<code>feature_implies_c(names)</code>	same as <code>feature_implies()</code> but combining 'names'
<code>feature_is_exist(name)</code>	Returns True if a certain feature is exist and covered within <code>_Config.conf_features</code> .
<code>feature_names([names, force_flags, macros])</code>	Returns a set of CPU feature names that supported by platform and the C compiler.
<code>feature_sorted(names[, reverse])</code>	Sort a list of CPU features ordered by the lowest interest.
<code>feature_untied(names)</code>	same as 'feature_ahead()' but if both features implied each other and keep the highest interest.
<code>generate_dispatch_header(header_path)</code>	Generate the dispatch header which contains the #definitions and headers for platform-specific instruction-sets for the enabled CPU baseline and dispatch-able features.
<code>is_cached()</code>	Returns True if the class loaded from the cache file
<code>me(cb)</code>	A static method that can be treated as a decorator to dynamically cache certain methods.
<code>parse_targets(source)</code>	Fetch and parse configuration statements that required for defining the targeted CPU features, statements should be declared in the top of source in between C comment and start with a special mark <code>@targets</code> .
<code>try_dispatch(sources[, src_dir, ccompiler])</code>	Compile one or more dispatch-able sources and generates object files, also generates abstract C config header.

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method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.cache_flush()
```

Force update the cache.

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.cc_normalize_flags(flags)
```

Remove the conflicts that caused due gathering implied features flags.

#### Parameters

**'flags' list, compiler flags**

flags should be sorted from the lowest to the highest interest.

#### Returns

**list, filtered from any conflicts.**

### Examples

```
>>> self.cc_normalize_flags(['-march=armv8.2-a+fp16', '-march=armv8.2-
   ↵a+dotprod'])
['armv8.2-a+fp16+dotprod']
```

```
>>> self.cc_normalize_flags(
    ['-msse', '-msse2', '-msse3', '-mssse3', '-msse4.1', '-msse4.2', '-mavx',
   ↵'-march=core-avx2']
)
['-march=core-avx2']
```

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.conf_features_partial()
```

Return a dictionary of supported CPU features by the platform, and accumulate the rest of undefined options in `conf_features`, the returned dict has same rules and notes in class attribute `conf_features`, also its override any options that been set in '`conf_features`'.

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.cpu_baseline_flags()
```

Returns a list of final CPU baseline compiler flags

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.cpu_baseline_names()
```

return a list of final CPU baseline feature names

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.cpu_dispatch_names()
```

return a list of final CPU dispatch feature names

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.dist_compile(sources, flags, ccompiler=None,
                                                **kwargs)
    Wrap CCompiler.compile()

method

static distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.dist_error(*args)
    Raise a compiler error

method

static distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.dist_fatal(*args)
    Raise a distutils error

method

distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.dist_info()
    Return a tuple containing info about (platform, compiler, extra_args), required by the abstract class '_CCompiler' for discovering the platform environment. This is also used as a cache factor in order to detect any changes happening from outside.

method

static distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.dist_load_module(name, path)
    Load a module from file, required by the abstract class '_Cache'.

method

static distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.dist_log(*args, stderr=False)
    Print a console message

method

distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.dist_test(source, flags, macros[])
    Return True if 'CCompiler.compile()' able to compile a source file with certain flags.

method

distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_ahead(names)
    Return list of features in 'names' after remove any implied features and keep the origins.
```

### Parameters

#### 'names': sequence

sequence of CPU feature names in uppercase.

### Returns

#### list of CPU features sorted as-is 'names'

## Examples

```
>>> self.feature_ahead(["SSE2", "SSE3", "SSE41"])
["SSE41"]
# assume AVX2 and FMA3 implies each other and AVX2
# is the highest interest
>>> self.feature_ahead(["SSE2", "SSE3", "SSE41", "AVX2", "FMA3"])
["AVX2"]
# assume AVX2 and FMA3 don't implies each other
>>> self.feature_ahead(["SSE2", "SSE3", "SSE41", "AVX2", "FMA3"])
["AVX2", "FMA3"]
```

method

`distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_c_preprocessor(feature_name, tabs=0)`

Generate C preprocessor definitions and include headers of a CPU feature.

### Parameters

**'feature\_name': str**

CPU feature name in uppercase.

**'tabs': int**

if > 0, align the generated strings to the right depend on number of tabs.

### Returns

**str, generated C preprocessor**

## Examples

```
>>> self.feature_c_preprocessor("SSE3")
/** SSE3 ***/
#define NPY_HAVE_SSE3 1
#include <pmmmintrin.h>
```

method

`distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_detect(names)`

Return a list of CPU features that required to be detected sorted from the lowest to highest interest.

method

`distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_get_til(names, keyisfalse)`

same as `feature_implies_c()` but stop collecting implied features when feature's option that provided through parameter 'keyisfalse' is False, also sorting the returned features.

method

`distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_implies(names, keep_origins=False)`

Return a set of CPU features that implied by 'names'

### Parameters

**names**

[str or sequence of str] CPU feature name(s) in uppercase.

**keep\_origins**

[bool] if False(default) then the returned set will not contain any features from ‘names’. This case happens only when two features imply each other.

**Examples**

```
>>> self.feature_implies("SSE3")
{'SSE', 'SSE2'}
>>> self.feature_implies("SSE2")
{'SSE'}
>>> self.feature_implies("SSE2", keep_origins=True)
# 'SSE2' found here since 'SSE' and 'SSE2' imply each other
{'SSE', 'SSE2'}
```

method

`distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_implies_c(names)`  
same as `feature_implies()` but combining ‘names’

method

`distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_is_exist(name)`  
Returns True if a certain feature is exist and covered within `_Config.conf_features`.

**Parameters****‘name’: str**

feature name in uppercase.

method

`distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_names(names=None, force_flags=None, macros=[])`

Returns a set of CPU feature names that supported by platform and the C compiler.

**Parameters****names**

[sequence or None, optional] Specify certain CPU features to test it against the C compiler. if None(default), it will test all current supported features. **Note:** feature names must be in upper-case.

**force\_flags**

[list or None, optional] If None(default), default compiler flags for every CPU feature will be used during the test.

**macros**

[list of tuples, optional] A list of C macro definitions.

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_sorted(names, reverse=False)
```

Sort a list of CPU features ordered by the lowest interest.

#### Parameters

##### 'names': sequence

sequence of supported feature names in uppercase.

##### 'reverse': bool, optional

If true, the sorted features is reversed. (highest interest)

#### Returns

##### list, sorted CPU features

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.feature_untied(names)
```

same as 'feature\_ahead()' but if both features implied each other and keep the highest interest.

#### Parameters

##### 'names': sequence

sequence of CPU feature names in uppercase.

#### Returns

##### list of CPU features sorted as-is 'names'

## Examples

```
>>> self.feature_untied(["SSE2", "SSE3", "SSE41"])
["SSE2", "SSE3", "SSE41"]
# assume AVX2 and FMA3 implies each other
>>> self.feature_untied(["SSE2", "SSE3", "SSE41", "FMA3", "AVX2"])
["SSE2", "SSE3", "SSE41", "AVX2"]
```

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.generate_dispatch_header(header_path)
```

Generate the dispatch header which contains the #definitions and headers for platform-specific instruction-sets for the enabled CPU baseline and dispatch-able features.

Its highly recommended to take a look at the generated header also the generated source files via *try\_dispatch()* in order to get the full picture.

method

```
distutils.ccompiler_opt.CCompilerOpt.is_cached()
```

Returns True if the class loaded from the cache file

method

**static** distutils.ccompiler\_opt.CCompilerOpt.**me** (*cb*)

A static method that can be treated as a decorator to dynamically cache certain methods.

method

distutils.ccompiler\_opt.CCompilerOpt.**parse\_targets** (*source*)

Fetch and parse configuration statements that required for defining the targeted CPU features, statements should be declared in the top of source in between C comment and start with a special mark **@targets**.

Configuration statements are sort of keywords representing CPU features names, group of statements and policies, combined together to determine the required optimization.

**Parameters****source**

[str] the path of C source file.

**Returns**

- **bool**, True if group has the ‘baseline’ option
- **list, list of CPU features**
- **list, list of extra compiler flags**

method

distutils.ccompiler\_opt.CCompilerOpt.**try\_dispatch** (*sources*, *src\_dir=None*,  
*ccompiler=None*, **\*\*kwargs**)

Compile one or more dispatch-able sources and generates object files, also generates abstract C config headers and macros that used later for the final runtime dispatching process.

The mechanism behind it is to takes each source file that specified in ‘sources’ and branching it into several files depend on special configuration statements that must be declared in the top of each source which contains targeted CPU features, then it compiles every branched source with the proper compiler flags.

**Parameters****sources**

[list] Must be a list of dispatch-able sources file paths, and configuration statements must be declared inside each file.

**src\_dir**

[str] Path of parent directory for the generated headers and wrapped sources. If None(default) the files will generated in-place.

**ccompiler**

[CCompiler] Distutils *CCompiler* instance to be used for compilation. If None (default), the provided instance during the initialization will be used instead.

**\*\*kwargs**

[any] Arguments to pass on to the *CCompiler.compile()*

**Returns**

**list**

[generated object files]

**Raises****CompileError**

Raises by *CCompiler.compile()* on compiling failure.

**DistutilsError**

Some errors during checking the sanity of configuration statements.

**See also:*****parse\_targets***

Parsing the configuration statements of dispatchable sources.

<b>cache_hash</b>	
<b>cc_test_cexpr</b>	
<b>cc_test_flags</b>	
<b>feature_can_autovec</b>	
<b>feature_extra_checks</b>	
<b>feature_flags</b>	
<b>feature_is_supported</b>	
<b>feature_test</b>	
<b>report</b>	

```
distutils.cpuinfo.cpu = <numpy.distutils.cpuinfo.LinuxCPUInfo object>

class numpy.distutils.core.Extension(name, sources, include_dirs=None, define_macros=None,
                                      undef_macros=None, library_dirs=None, libraries=None,
                                      runtime_library_dirs=None, extra_objects=None,
                                      extra_compile_args=None, extra_link_args=None,
                                      export_symbols=None, swig_opts=None, depends=None,
                                      language=None, f2py_options=None, module_dirs=None,
                                      extra_c_compile_args=None, extra_cxx_compile_args=None,
                                      extra_f77_compile_args=None,
                                      extra_f90_compile_args=None)
```

**Parameters****name**

[str] Extension name.

**sources**

[list of str] List of source file locations relative to the top directory of the package.

**extra\_compile\_args**

[list of str] Extra command line arguments to pass to the compiler.

**extra\_f77\_compile\_args**

[list of str] Extra command line arguments to pass to the fortran77 compiler.

**extra\_f90\_compile\_args**

[list of str] Extra command line arguments to pass to the fortran90 compiler.

**Methods**

<b>has_cxx_sources</b>	
<b>has_f2py_sources</b>	

**exec\_command**

Implements exec\_command function that is (almost) equivalent to commands.getstatusoutput function but on NT, DOS systems the returned status is actually correct (though, the returned status values may be different by a factor). In addition, exec\_command takes keyword arguments for (re-)defining environment variables.

Provides functions:

**exec\_command — execute command in a specified directory and**

in the modified environment.

**find\_executable — locate a command using info from environment**

variable PATH. Equivalent to posix *which* command.

Author: Pearu Peterson <pearu@cens.ioc.ee> Created: 11 January 2003

Requires: Python 2.x

Successfully tested on:

os.name	sys.platform	comments
posix	linux2	Debian (sid) Linux, Python 2.1.3+, 2.2.3+, 2.3.3 PyCrust 0.9.3, Idle 1.0.2
posix	linux2	Red Hat 9 Linux, Python 2.1.3, 2.2.2, 2.3.2
posix	sunos5	SunOS 5.9, Python 2.2, 2.3.2
posix	dar-win	Darwin 7.2.0, Python 2.3
nt	win32	Windows Me Python 2.3(EE), Idle 1.0, PyCrust 0.7.2 Python 2.1.1 Idle 0.8
nt	win32	Windows 98, Python 2.1.1. Idle 0.8
nt	win32	Cygwin 98-4.10, Python 2.1.1(MSC) - echo tests fail i.e. redefining environment variables may not work. FIXED: don't use cygwin echo! Comment: also cmd /c echo will not work but redefining environment variables do work.
posix	cyg-win	Cygwin 98-4.10, Python 2.3.3(cygming special)
nt	win32	Windows XP, Python 2.3.3

Known bugs:

- Tests, that send messages to stderr, fail when executed from MSYS prompt because the messages are lost at some point.

## Functions

<code>exec_command(command[, execute_in, ...])</code>	Return (status,output) of executed command.
<code>filepath_from_subprocess_output(output)</code>	Convert <i>bytes</i> in the encoding used by a subprocess into a filesystem-appropriate <i>str</i> .
<code>find_executable(exe[, path, _cache])</code>	Return full path of a executable or None.
<code>forward_bytes_to_stdout(val)</code>	Forward bytes from a subprocess call to the console, without attempting to decode them.
<code>get_pythonexe()</code>	
<code>temp_file_name()</code>	

---

```
distutils.exec_command.exec_command(command, execute_in='', use_shell=None, use_tee=None,
                               _with_python=1, **env)
```

Return (status,output) of executed command.

Deprecated since version 1.17: Use subprocess.Popen instead

### Parameters

#### command

[str] A concatenated string of executable and arguments.

#### execute\_in

[str] Before running command cd execute\_in and after cd -.

#### use\_shell

[{bool, None}, optional] If True, execute sh -c command. Default None (True)

#### use\_tee

[{bool, None}, optional] If True use tee. Default None (True)

### Returns

#### res

[str] Both stdout and stderr messages.

## Notes

On NT, DOS systems the returned status is correct for external commands. Wild cards will not work for non-posix systems or when use\_shell=0.

```
distutils.exec_command.filepath_from_subprocess_output(output)
```

Convert *bytes* in the encoding used by a subprocess into a filesystem-appropriate *str*.

Inherited from `exec_command`, and possibly incorrect.

```
distutils.exec_command.find_executable(exe, path=None, _cache={})
```

Return full path of a executable or None.

Symbolic links are not followed.

```
distutils.exec_command.forward_bytes_to_stdout(val)
    Forward bytes from a subprocess call to the console, without attempting to decode them.

    The assumption is that the subprocess call already returned bytes in a suitable encoding.

distutils.exec_command.get_pythonexe()
distutils.exec_command.temp_file_name()
distutils.log.set_verbosity(v, force=False)
distutils.system_info.get_info(name, notfound_action=0)
```

**notfound\_action:**

0 - do nothing 1 - display warning message 2 - raise error

```
distutils.system_info.get_standard_file(fname)
    Returns a list of files named ‘fname’ from 1) System-wide directory (directory-location of this module) 2) Users HOME directory (os.environ[‘HOME’]) 3) Local directory
```

## 8.2 Configuration class

```
class numpy.distutils.misc_util.Configuration(package_name=None, parent_name=None,
                                             top_path=None, package_path=None, **attrs)
```

Construct a configuration instance for the given package name. If *parent\_name* is not None, then construct the package as a sub-package of the *parent\_name* package. If *top\_path* and *package\_path* are None then they are assumed equal to the path of the file this instance was created in. The setup.py files in the numpy distribution are good examples of how to use the *Configuration* instance.

**todict()**

Return a dictionary compatible with the keyword arguments of distutils setup function.

### Examples

```
>>> setup(**config.todict())
```

**get\_distribution()**

Return the distutils distribution object for self.

**get\_subpackage**(subpackage\_name, subpackage\_path=None, parent\_name=None, caller\_level=1)

Return list of subpackage configurations.

#### Parameters

**subpackage\_name**

[str or None] Name of the subpackage to get the configuration. ‘\*’ in subpackage\_name is handled as a wildcard.

**subpackage\_path**

[str] If None, then the path is assumed to be the local path plus the subpackage\_name. If a setup.py file is not found in the subpackage\_path, then a default configuration is used.

**parent\_name**

[str] Parent name.

**add\_subpackage** (*subpackage\_name*, *subpackage\_path=None*, *standalone=False*)

Add a sub-package to the current Configuration instance.

This is useful in a setup.py script for adding sub-packages to a package.

**Parameters****subpackage\_name**

[str] name of the subpackage

**subpackage\_path**

[str] if given, the subpackage path such as the subpackage is in subpackage\_path / subpackage\_name. If None, the subpackage is assumed to be located in the local path / subpackage\_name.

**standalone**

[bool]

**add\_data\_files** (\**files*)

Add data files to configuration data\_files.

**Parameters****files**

[sequence] Argument(s) can be either

- 2-sequence (<datadir prefix>, <path to data file(s)>)
- paths to data files where python datadir prefix defaults to package dir.

**Notes**

The form of each element of the files sequence is very flexible allowing many combinations of where to get the files from the package and where they should ultimately be installed on the system. The most basic usage is for an element of the files argument sequence to be a simple filename. This will cause that file from the local path to be installed to the installation path of the self.name package (package path). The file argument can also be a relative path in which case the entire relative path will be installed into the package directory. Finally, the file can be an absolute path name in which case the file will be found at the absolute path name but installed to the package path.

This basic behavior can be augmented by passing a 2-tuple in as the file argument. The first element of the tuple should specify the relative path (under the package install directory) where the remaining sequence of files should be installed to (it has nothing to do with the file-names in the source distribution). The second element of the tuple is the sequence of files that should be installed. The files in this sequence can be filenames, relative paths, or absolute paths. For absolute paths the file will be installed in the top-level package installation directory (regardless of the first argument). Filenames and relative path names will be installed in the package install directory under the path name given as the first element of the tuple.

Rules for installation paths:

1. file.txt -> (., file.txt) -> parent/file.txt
2. foo/file.txt -> (foo, foo/file.txt) -> parent/foo/file.txt

3. ./foo/bar/file.txt -> (., ./foo/bar/file.txt) -> parent/file.txt
4. \*.txt -> parent/a.txt, parent/b.txt
5. foo/\*.\*txt -> parent/foo/a.txt, parent/foo/b.txt
6. \*/\*.txt -> (\*, \*/\*.txt) -> parent/c/a.txt, parent/d/b.txt
7. (sun, file.txt) -> parent/sun/file.txt
8. (sun, bar/file.txt) -> parent/sun/file.txt
9. (sun, ./foo/bar/file.txt) -> parent/sun/file.txt
10. (sun, \*.txt) -> parent/sun/a.txt, parent/sun/b.txt
11. (sun, bar/\*.txt) -> parent/sun/a.txt, parent/sun/b.txt
12. (sun/\*, /\*.\*txt) -> parent/sun/c/a.txt, parent/d/b.txt

An additional feature is that the path to a data-file can actually be a function that takes no arguments and returns the actual path(s) to the data-files. This is useful when the data files are generated while building the package.

## Examples

Add files to the list of `data_files` to be included with the package.

```
>>> self.add_data_files('foo.dat',
...     ('fun', ['gun.dat', 'nun/pun.dat', '/tmp/sun.dat']),
...     'bar/cat.dat',
...     '/full/path/to/can.dat')
```

will install these data files to:

```
<package install directory>/
foo.dat
fun/
    gun.dat
    nun/
        pun.dat
    sun.dat
bar/
    cat.dat
can.dat
```

where `<package install directory>` is the package (or sub-package) directory such as ‘/usr/lib/python2.4/site-packages/mypackage’ (‘C: Python2.4 Lib site-packages mypackage’) or ‘/usr/lib/python2.4/site-packages/mypackage/mysubpackage’ (‘C: Python2.4 Lib site-packages mypackage mysubpackage’).

### `add_data_dir(data_path)`

Recursively add files under `data_path` to `data_files` list.

Recursively add files under `data_path` to the list of `data_files` to be installed (and distributed). The `data_path` can be either a relative path-name, or an absolute path-name, or a 2-tuple where the first argument shows where in the install directory the data directory should be installed to.

#### Parameters

##### `data_path`

[seq or str] Argument can be either

- 2-sequence (<datadir suffix>, <path to data directory>)
- path to data directory where python datadir suffix defaults to package dir.

## Notes

Rules for installation paths:

```
foo/bar -> (foo/bar, foo/bar) -> parent/foo/bar
(gun, foo/bar) -> parent/gun
foo/* -> (foo/a, foo/a), (foo/b, foo/b) -> parent/foo/a, parent/foo/b
(gun, foo/*) -> (gun, foo/a), (gun, foo/b) -> gun
(gun/*, foo/*) -> parent/gun/a, parent/gun/b
/foo/bar -> (bar, /foo/bar) -> parent/bar
(gun, /foo/bar) -> parent/gun
(fun/*/gun/*, sun/foo/bar) -> parent/fun/foo/gun/bar
```

## Examples

For example suppose the source directory contains fun/foo.dat and fun/bar/car.dat:

```
>>> self.add_data_dir('fun')
>>> self.add_data_dir(('sun', 'fun'))
>>> self.add_data_dir(('gun', '/full/path/to/fun'))
```

Will install data-files to the locations:

```
<package install directory>/
  fun/
    foo.dat
  bar/
    car.dat
  sun/
    foo.dat
    bar/
      car.dat
  gun/
    foo.dat
    car.dat
```

### `add_include_dirs(*paths)`

Add paths to configuration include directories.

Add the given sequence of paths to the beginning of the include\_dirs list. This list will be visible to all extension modules of the current package.

### `add_headers(*files)`

Add installable headers to configuration.

Add the given sequence of files to the beginning of the headers list. By default, headers will be installed under <python-include>/<self.name.replace('.','')>/ directory. If an item of files is a tuple, then its first argument specifies the actual installation location relative to the <python-include> path.

## Parameters

### files

[str or seq] Argument(s) can be either:

- 2-sequence (<includedir suffix>,<path to header file(s)>)
- path(s) to header file(s) where python includedir suffix will default to package name.

### `add_extension(name, sources, **kw)`

Add extension to configuration.

Create and add an Extension instance to the ext\_modules list. This method also takes the following optional keyword arguments that are passed on to the Extension constructor.

#### Parameters

##### `name`

[str] name of the extension

##### `sources`

[seq] list of the sources. The list of sources may contain functions (called source generators) which must take an extension instance and a build directory as inputs and return a source file or list of source files or None. If None is returned then no sources are generated. If the Extension instance has no sources after processing all source generators, then no extension module is built.

##### `include_dirs`

##### `define_macros`

##### `undef_macros`

##### `library_dirs`

##### `libraries`

##### `runtime_library_dirs`

##### `extra_objects`

##### `extra_compile_args`

##### `extra_link_args`

##### `extra_f77_compile_args`

##### `extra_f90_compile_args`

##### `export_symbols`

##### `swig_opts`

##### `depends`

The depends list contains paths to files or directories that the sources of the extension module depend on. If any path in the depends list is newer than the extension module, then the module will be rebuilt.

##### `language`

##### `f2py_options`

##### `module_dirs`

##### `extra_info`

[dict or list] dict or list of dict of keywords to be appended to keywords.

## Notes

The self.paths(...) method is applied to all lists that may contain paths.

### `add_library(name, sources, **build_info)`

Add library to configuration.

#### Parameters

##### `name`

[str] Name of the extension.

##### `sources`

[sequence] List of the sources. The list of sources may contain functions (called source generators) which must take an extension instance and a build directory as inputs and return a source file or list of source files or None. If None is returned then no sources are generated. If the Extension instance has no sources after processing all source generators, then no extension module is built.

##### `build_info`

[dict, optional] The following keys are allowed:

- depends
- macros
- include\_dirs
- extra\_compiler\_args
- extra\_f77\_compile\_args
- extra\_f90\_compile\_args
- f2py\_options
- language

### `add_scripts(*files)`

Add scripts to configuration.

Add the sequence of files to the beginning of the scripts list. Scripts will be installed under the <prefix>/bin/ directory.

### `add_installed_library(name, sources, install_dir, build_info=None)`

Similar to add\_library, but the specified library is installed.

Most C libraries used with `distutils` are only used to build python extensions, but libraries built through this method will be installed so that they can be reused by third-party packages.

#### Parameters

##### `name`

[str] Name of the installed library.

##### `sources`

[sequence] List of the library's source files. See `add_library` for details.

**install\_dir**

[str] Path to install the library, relative to the current sub-package.

**build\_info**

[dict, optional] The following keys are allowed:

- depends
- macros
- include\_dirs
- extra\_compiler\_args
- extra\_f77\_compile\_args
- extra\_f90\_compile\_args
- f2py\_options
- language

**Returns**

**None**

See also:

[`add\_library`](#), [`add\_npy\_pkg\_config`](#), [`get\_info`](#)

**Notes**

The best way to encode the options required to link against the specified C libraries is to use a “libname.ini” file, and use [`get\_info`](#) to retrieve the required options (see [`add\_npy\_pkg\_config`](#) for more information).

**add\_npy\_pkg\_config** (*template*, *install\_dir*, *subst\_dict=None*)

Generate and install a npy-pkg config file from a template.

The config file generated from *template* is installed in the given install directory, using *subst\_dict* for variable substitution.

**Parameters****template**

[str] The path of the template, relatively to the current package path.

**install\_dir**

[str] Where to install the npy-pkg config file, relatively to the current package path.

**subst\_dict**

[dict, optional] If given, any string of the form @key@ will be replaced by *subst\_dict* [key] in the template file when installed. The install prefix is always available through the variable @prefix@, since the install prefix is not easy to get reliably from setup.py.

See also:

`add_installed_library, get_info`

## Notes

This works for both standard installs and in-place builds, i.e. the `@prefix@` refer to the source directory for in-place builds.

## Examples

```
config.add_npy_pkg_config('foo.ini.in', 'lib', {'foo': bar})
```

Assuming the `foo.ini.in` file has the following content:

```
[meta]
Name=@foo@
Version=1.0
Description=dummy description

[default]
Cflags=-I@prefix@/include
Libs=
```

The generated file will have the following content:

```
[meta]
Name=bar
Version=1.0
Description=dummy description

[default]
Cflags=-Iprefix_dir/include
Libs=
```

and will be installed as `foo.ini` in the `'lib'` subpath.

When cross-compiling with numpy distutils, it might be necessary to use modified npy-pkg-config files. Using the default/generated files will link with the host libraries (i.e. `libnpymath.a`). For cross-compilation you of course need to link with target libraries, while using the host Python installation.

You can copy out the `numpy/core/lib/npy-pkg-config` directory, add a `pkgdir` value to the `.ini` files and set `NPY_PKG_CONFIG_PATH` environment variable to point to the directory with the modified npy-pkg-config files.

Example `npymath.ini` modified for cross-compilation:

```
[meta]
Name=npymath
Description=Portable, core math library implementing C99 standard
Version=0.1

[variables]
pkgname=numpy.core
pkgdir=/build/arm-linux-gnueabi/sysroot/usr/lib/python3.7/site-packages/numpy/
    ↵core
prefix=${pkgdir}
libdir=${prefix}/lib
```

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```

includedir=${prefix}/include

[default]
Libs=-L${libdir} -lnpymath
Cflags=-I${includedir}
Requires=mlib

[msvc]
Libs=/LIBPATH:${libdir} npymath.lib
Cflags=/INCLUDE:${includedir}
Requires=mlib

```

**paths** (\**paths*, \*\**kws*)

Apply glob to paths and prepend local\_path if needed.

Applies glob.glob(...) to each path in the sequence (if needed) and pre-pends the local\_path if needed. Because this is called on all source lists, this allows wildcard characters to be specified in lists of sources for extension modules and libraries and scripts and allows path-names be relative to the source directory.

**get\_config\_cmd()**

Returns the numpy.distutils config command instance.

**get\_build\_temp\_dir()**

Return a path to a temporary directory where temporary files should be placed.

**have\_f77c()**

Check for availability of Fortran 77 compiler.

Use it inside source generating function to ensure that setup distribution instance has been initialized.

**Notes**

True if a Fortran 77 compiler is available (because a simple Fortran 77 code was able to be compiled successfully).

**have\_f90c()**

Check for availability of Fortran 90 compiler.

Use it inside source generating function to ensure that setup distribution instance has been initialized.

**Notes**

True if a Fortran 90 compiler is available (because a simple Fortran 90 code was able to be compiled successfully)

**get\_version** (*version\_file=None*, *version\_variable=None*)

Try to get version string of a package.

Return a version string of the current package or None if the version information could not be detected.

## Notes

This method scans files named `__version__.py`, `<packagename>_version.py`, `version.py`, and `__svn_version__.py` for string variables `version`, `__version__`, and `<packagename>_version`, until a version number is found.

### `make_svn_version_py(delete=True)`

Appends a data function to the `data_files` list that will generate `__svn_version__.py` file to the current package directory.

Generate package `__svn_version__.py` file from SVN revision number, it will be removed after python exits but will be available when `sdist`, etc commands are executed.

## Notes

If `__svn_version__.py` existed before, nothing is done.

This is intended for working with source directories that are in an SVN repository.

### `make_config_py(name='__config__')`

Generate package `__config__.py` file containing `system_info` information used during building the package.

This file is installed to the package installation directory.

### `get_info(*names)`

Get resources information.

Return information (from `system_info.get_info`) for all of the names in the argument list in a single dictionary.

## 8.3 Building Installable C libraries

Conventional C libraries (installed through `add_library`) are not installed, and are just used during the build (they are statically linked). An installable C library is a pure C library, which does not depend on the python C runtime, and is installed such that it may be used by third-party packages. To build and install the C library, you just use the method `add_installed_library` instead of `add_library`, which takes the same arguments except for an additional `install_dir` argument:

```
.. hidden in a comment so as to be included in refguide but not rendered documentation
>>> import numpy.distutils.misc_util
>>> config = np.distutils.misc_util.Configuration(None, '', '')
>>> with open('foo.c', 'w') as f: pass

>>> config.add_installed_library('foo', sources=['foo.c'], install_dir='lib')
```

### 8.3.1 npy-pkg-config files

To make the necessary build options available to third parties, you could use the `npy-pkg-config` mechanism implemented in `numpy.distutils`. This mechanism is based on a .ini file which contains all the options. A .ini file is very similar to .pc files as used by the pkg-config unix utility:

```
[meta]
Name: foo
Version: 1.0
```

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```
Description: foo library

[variables]
prefix = /home/user/local
libdir = ${prefix}/lib
includedir = ${prefix}/include

[default]
cflags = -I${includedir}
libs = -L${libdir} -lfoo
```

Generally, the file needs to be generated during the build, since it needs some information known at build time only (e.g. prefix). This is mostly automatic if one uses the *Configuration* method `add_npy_pkg_config`. Assuming we have a template file `foo.ini.in` as follows:

```
[meta]
Name: foo
Version: @version@
Description: foo library

[variables]
prefix = @prefix@
libdir = ${prefix}/lib
includedir = ${prefix}/include

[default]
cflags = -I${includedir}
libs = -L${libdir} -lfoo
```

and the following code in `setup.py`:

```
>>> config.add_installed_library('foo', sources=['foo.c'], install_dir='lib')
>>> subst = {'version': '1.0'}
>>> config.add_npy_pkg_config('foo.ini.in', 'lib', subst_dict=subst)
```

This will install the file `foo.ini` into the directory `package_dir/lib`, and the `foo.ini` file will be generated from `foo.ini.in`, where each `@version@` will be replaced by `subst_dict['version']`. The dictionary has an additional prefix substitution rule automatically added, which contains the install prefix (since this is not easy to get from `setup.py`). `npy-pkg-config` files can also be installed at the same location as used for numpy, using the path returned from `get_npy_pkg_dir` function.

### 8.3.2 Reusing a C library from another package

Info are easily retrieved from the `get_info` function in `numpy.distutils.misc_util`:

```
>>> info = np.distutils.misc_util.get_info('npymath')
>>> config.add_extension('foo', sources=['foo.c'], extra_info=info)
<numpy.distutils.extension.Extension object at 0x...>
```

An additional list of paths to look for .ini files can be given to `get_info`.

## 8.4 Conversion of .src files

NumPy distutils supports automatic conversion of source files named <somefile>.src. This facility can be used to maintain very similar code blocks requiring only simple changes between blocks. During the build phase of setup, if a template file named <somefile>.src is encountered, a new file named <somefile> is constructed from the template and placed in the build directory to be used instead. Two forms of template conversion are supported. The first form occurs for files named <file>.ext.src where ext is a recognized Fortran extension (f, f90, f95, f77, for, ftn, pyf). The second form is used for all other cases. See [Conversion of .src files using Templates](#).

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**Warning:** `numpy.distutils` is deprecated, and will be removed for Python >= 3.12. For more details, see [Status of numpy.distutils and migration advice](#)

### 9.1 SciPy structure

Currently SciPy project consists of two packages:

- NumPy — it provides packages like:
  - `numpy.distutils` - extension to Python distutils
  - `numpy.f2py` - a tool to bind Fortran/C codes to Python
  - `numpy.core` - future replacement of Numeric and numarray packages
  - `numpy.lib` - extra utility functions
  - `numpy.testing` - numpy-style tools for unit testing
  - etc
- SciPy — a collection of scientific tools for Python.

The aim of this document is to describe how to add new tools to SciPy.

### 9.2 Requirements for SciPy packages

SciPy consists of Python packages, called SciPy packages, that are available to Python users via the `scipy` namespace. Each SciPy package may contain other SciPy packages. And so on. Therefore, the SciPy directory tree is a tree of packages with arbitrary depth and width. Any SciPy package may depend on NumPy packages but the dependence on other SciPy packages should be kept minimal or zero.

A SciPy package contains, in addition to its sources, the following files and directories:

- `setup.py` — building script
- `__init__.py` — package initializer
- `tests/` — directory of unittests

Their contents are described below.

## 9.3 The setup.py file

In order to add a Python package to SciPy, its build script (`setup.py`) must meet certain requirements. The most important requirement is that the package define a `configuration(parent_package='', top_path=None)` function which returns a dictionary suitable for passing to `numpy.distutils.core.setup(..)`. To simplify the construction of this dictionary, `numpy.distutils.misc_util` provides the `Configuration` class, described below.

### 9.3.1 SciPy pure Python package example

Below is an example of a minimal `setup.py` file for a pure SciPy package:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
def configuration(parent_package='', top_path=None):
    from numpy.distutils.misc_util import Configuration
    config = Configuration('mypackage', parent_package, top_path)
    return config

if __name__ == "__main__":
    from numpy.distutils.core import setup
    #setup(**configuration(top_path='').todict())
    setup(configuration=configuration)
```

The arguments of the `configuration` function specify the name of parent SciPy package (`parent_package`) and the directory location of the main `setup.py` script (`top_path`). These arguments, along with the name of the current package, should be passed to the `Configuration` constructor.

The `Configuration` constructor has a fourth optional argument, `package_path`, that can be used when package files are located in a different location than the directory of the `setup.py` file.

Remaining `Configuration` arguments are all keyword arguments that will be used to initialize attributes of `Configuration` instance. Usually, these keywords are the same as the ones that `setup(..)` function would expect, for example, `packages`, `ext_modules`, `data_files`, `include_dirs`, `libraries`, `headers`, `scripts`, `package_dir`, etc. However, the direct specification of these keywords is not recommended as the content of these keyword arguments will not be processed or checked for the consistency of SciPy building system.

Finally, `Configuration` has `.todict()` method that returns all the configuration data as a dictionary suitable for passing on to the `setup(..)` function.

### 9.3.2 Configuration instance attributes

In addition to attributes that can be specified via keyword arguments to `Configuration` constructor, `Configuration` instance (let us denote as `config`) has the following attributes that can be useful in writing `setup` scripts:

- `config.name` - full name of the current package. The names of parent packages can be extracted as `config.name.split('.')`.
- `config.local_path` - path to the location of current `setup.py` file.
- `config.top_path` - path to the location of main `setup.py` file.

### 9.3.3 Configuration instance methods

- `config.todict()` — returns configuration dictionary suitable for passing to `numpy.distutils.core.setup(...)` function.
- `config.paths(*paths)` --- applies ```glob.glob(..)` to items of `paths` if necessary. Fixes `paths` item that is relative to `config.local_path`.
- `config.get_subpackage(subpackage_name, subpackage_path=None)` — returns a list of subpackage configurations. Subpackage is looked in the current directory under the name `subpackage_name` but the path can be specified also via optional `subpackage_path` argument. If `subpackage_name` is specified as `None` then the subpackage name will be taken the basename of `subpackage_path`. Any `*` used for subpackage names are expanded as wildcards.
- `config.add_subpackage(subpackage_name, subpackage_path=None)` — add SciPy subpackage configuration to the current one. The meaning and usage of arguments is explained above, see `config.get_subpackage()` method.
- `config.add_data_files(*files)` — prepend `files` to `data_files` list. If `files` item is a tuple then its first element defines the suffix of where data files are copied relative to package installation directory and the second element specifies the path to data files. By default data files are copied under package installation directory. For example,

```
config.add_data_files('foo.dat',
                     ('fun', ['gun.dat', 'nun/pun.dat', '/tmp/sun.dat']),
                     'bar/car.dat',
                     '/full/path/to/can.dat',
                     )
```

will install data files to the following locations

```
<installation path of config.name package>/
  foo.dat
  fun/
    gun.dat
    pun.dat
    sun.dat
  bar/
    car.dat
    can.dat
```

Path to data files can be a function taking no arguments and returning path(s) to data files – this is a useful when data files are generated while building the package. (XXX: explain the step when this function are called exactly)

- `config.add_data_dir(data_path)` — add directory `data_path` recursively to `data_files`. The whole directory tree starting at `data_path` will be copied under package installation directory. If `data_path` is a tuple then its first element defines the suffix of where data files are copied relative to package installation directory and the second element specifies the path to data directory. By default, data directory are copied under package installation directory under the basename of `data_path`. For example,

```
config.add_data_dir('fun') # fun/ contains foo.dat bar/car.dat
config.add_data_dir(('sun', 'fun'))
config.add_data_dir(('gun', '/full/path/to/fun'))
```

will install data files to the following locations

```
<installation path of config.name package>/
  fun/
```

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```

foo.dat
bar/
    car.dat
sun/
    foo.dat
    bar/
        car.dat
gun/
    foo.dat
    bar/
        car.dat

```

- `config.add_include_dirs(*paths)` — prepend paths to `include_dirs` list. This list will be visible to all extension modules of the current package.
- `config.add_headers(*files)` — prepend files to `headers` list. By default, headers will be installed under `<prefix>/include/pythonX.X/<config.name.replace('.','/')>/` directory. If `files` item is a tuple then its first argument specifies the installation suffix relative to `<prefix>/include/pythonX.X/` path. This is a Python `distutils` method; its use is discouraged for NumPy and SciPy in favour of `config.add_data_files(*files)`.
- `config.add_scripts(*files)` — prepend files to `scripts` list. Scripts will be installed under `<prefix>/bin/` directory.
- `config.add_extension(name, sources, **kw)` — create and add an `Extension` instance to `ext_modules` list. The first argument `name` defines the name of the extension module that will be installed under `config.name` package. The second argument is a list of sources. `add_extension` method takes also keyword arguments that are passed on to the `Extension` constructor. The list of allowed keywords is the following: `include_dirs`, `define_macros`, `undef_macros`, `library_dirs`, `libraries`, `runtime_library_dirs`, `extra_objects`, `extra_compile_args`, `extra_link_args`, `export_symbols`, `swig_opts`, `depends`, `language`, `f2py_options`, `module_dirs`, `extra_info`, `extra_f77_compile_args`, `extra_f90_compile_args`.

Note that `config.paths` method is applied to all lists that may contain paths. `extra_info` is a dictionary or a list of dictionaries that content will be appended to keyword arguments. The list `depends` contains paths to files or directories that the sources of the extension module depend on. If any path in the `depends` list is newer than the extension module, then the module will be rebuilt.

The list of sources may contain functions ('source generators') with a pattern `def <funcname>(ext, build_dir): return <source(s) or None>`. If `funcname` returns `None`, no sources are generated. And if the `Extension` instance has no sources after processing all source generators, no extension module will be built. This is the recommended way to conditionally define extension modules. Source generator functions are called by the `build_src` sub-command of `numpy.distutils`.

For example, here is a typical source generator function:

```

def generate_source(ext, build_dir):
    import os
    from distutils.dep_util import newer
    target = os.path.join(build_dir, 'somesource.c')
    if newer(target, __file__):
        # create target file
    return target

```

The first argument contains the `Extension` instance that can be useful to access its attributes like `depends`, `sources`, etc. lists and modify them during the building process. The second argument gives a path to a build directory that must be used when creating files to a disk.

- `config.add_library(name, sources, **build_info)` — add a library to libraries list. Allowed keywords arguments are depends, macros, include\_dirs, extra\_compiler\_args, f2py\_options, extra\_f77\_compile\_args, extra\_f90\_compile\_args. See `.add_extension()` method for more information on arguments.
- `config.have_f77c()` — return True if Fortran 77 compiler is available (read: a simple Fortran 77 code compiled successfully).
- `config.have_f90c()` — return True if Fortran 90 compiler is available (read: a simple Fortran 90 code compiled successfully).
- `config.get_version()` — return version string of the current package, None if version information could not be detected. This methods scans files `__version__.py`, `<packagename>_version.py`, `version.py`, `__svn_version__.py` for string variables `version`, `__version__`, `<packagename>_version`.
- `config.make_svn_version_py()` — appends a data function to `data_files` list that will generate `__svn_version__.py` file to the current package directory. The file will be removed from the source directory when Python exits.
- `config.get_build_temp_dir()` — return a path to a temporary directory. This is the place where one should build temporary files.
- `config.get_distribution()` — return distutils Distribution instance.
- `config.get_config_cmd()` — returns numpy.distutils config command instance.
- `config.get_info(*names)` —

### 9.3.4 Conversion of .src files using Templates

NumPy distutils supports automatic conversion of source files named `<somefile>.src`. This facility can be used to maintain very similar code blocks requiring only simple changes between blocks. During the build phase of setup, if a template file named `<somefile>.src` is encountered, a new file named `<somefile>` is constructed from the template and placed in the build directory to be used instead. Two forms of template conversion are supported. The first form occurs for files named `<file>.ext.src` where ext is a recognized Fortran extension (f, f90, f95, f77, for, ftn, pyf). The second form is used for all other cases.

### 9.3.5 Fortran files

This template converter will replicate all **function** and **subroutine** blocks in the file with names that contain ‘`<...>`’ according to the rules in ‘`<...>`’. The number of comma-separated words in ‘`<...>`’ determines the number of times the block is repeated. What these words are indicates what that repeat rule, ‘`<...>`’, should be replaced with in each block. All of the repeat rules in a block must contain the same number of comma-separated words indicating the number of times that block should be repeated. If the word in the repeat rule needs a comma, leftarrow, or rightarrow, then prepend it with a backslash ‘\’. If a word in the repeat rule matches ‘\<index>’ then it will be replaced with the `<index>`-th word in the same repeat specification. There are two forms for the repeat rule: named and short.

## Named repeat rule

A named repeat rule is useful when the same set of repeats must be used several times in a block. It is specified using `<rule1=item1, item2, item3, ..., itemN>`, where N is the number of times the block should be repeated. On each repeat of the block, the entire expression, '`<...>`' will be replaced first with item1, and then with item2, and so forth until N repeats are accomplished. Once a named repeat specification has been introduced, the same repeat rule may be used **in the current block** by referring only to the name (i.e. `<rule1>`).

## Short repeat rule

A short repeat rule looks like `<item1, item2, item3, ..., itemN>`. The rule specifies that the entire expression, '`<...>`' should be replaced first with item1, and then with item2, and so forth until N repeats are accomplished.

## Pre-defined names

The following predefined named repeat rules are available:

- `<prefix=s,d,c,z>`
- `<_c=s,d,c,z>`
- `<_t=real, double precision, complex, double complex>`
- `<ftype=real, double precision, complex, double complex>`
- `<cotype=float, double, complex_float, complex_double>`
- `<ftypereal=float, double precision, \0, \1>`
- `<ctypereal=float, double, \0, \1>`

## 9.3.6 Other files

Non-Fortran files use a separate syntax for defining template blocks that should be repeated using a variable expansion similar to the named repeat rules of the Fortran-specific repeats.

NumPy Distutils preprocesses C source files (extension: `.c.src`) written in a custom templating language to generate C code. The `@` symbol is used to wrap macro-style variables to empower a string substitution mechanism that might describe (for instance) a set of data types.

The template language blocks are delimited by `/**begin repeat` and `/**end repeat**/` lines, which may also be nested using consecutively numbered delimiting lines such as `/**begin repeat1` and `/**end repeat1**/`:

1. `/**begin repeat` on a line by itself marks the beginning of a segment that should be repeated.
2. Named variable expansions are defined using `#name=item1, item2, item3, ..., itemN#` and placed on successive lines. These variables are replaced in each repeat block with corresponding word. All named variables in the same repeat block must define the same number of words.
3. In specifying the repeat rule for a named variable, `item*N` is short-hand for `item, item, ..., item` repeated N times. In addition, parenthesis in combination with `*N` can be used for grouping several items that should be repeated. Thus, `#name=(item1, item2)*4#` is equivalent to `#name=item1, item2, item1, item2, item1, item2#`.
4. `*/` on a line by itself marks the end of the variable expansion naming. The next line is the first line that will be repeated using the named rules.
5. Inside the block to be repeated, the variables that should be expanded are specified as `@name@`.

6. `/**end repeat**/` on a line by itself marks the previous line as the last line of the block to be repeated.
7. A loop in the NumPy C source code may have a `@TYPE@` variable, targeted for string substitution, which is pre-processed to a number of otherwise identical loops with several strings such as `INT`, `LONG`, `UINT`, `ULONG`. The `@TYPE@` style syntax thus reduces code duplication and maintenance burden by mimicking languages that have generic type support.

The above rules may be clearer in the following template source example:

```

1  /* TIMEDELTA to non-float types */
2
3  /**begin repeat
4  *
5  * #TOTYPE = BYTE, UBYTE, SHORT, USHORT, INT, UINT, LONG, ULONG,
6  *           LONGLONG, ULONGLONG, DATETIME,
7  *           TIMEDELTA#
8  * #totype = npy_byte, npy_ubyte, npy_short, npy_ushort, npy_int, npy_uint,
9  *           npy_long, npy_ulong, npy_longlong, npy_ulonglong,
10 *          npy_datetime, npy_timedelta#
11 */
12
13 /**begin repeat1
14 *
15 * #FROMTYPE = TIMEDELTA#
16 * #fromtype = npy_timedelta#
17 */
18 static void
19 @FROMTYPE@_to_@TOTYPE@(void *input, void *output, npy_intp n,
20                      void *NPY_UNUSED(aip), void *NPY_UNUSED(aop))
21 {
22     const @fromtype@ *ip = input;
23     @totype@ *op = output;
24
25     while (n--) {
26         *op++ = (@totype@)*ip++;
27     }
28 }
29 /**end repeat1**/
30
31 /**end repeat**/

```

The preprocessing of generically-typed C source files (whether in NumPy proper or in any third party package using NumPy Distutils) is performed by `conv_template.py`. The type-specific C files generated (extension: `.c`) by these modules during the build process are ready to be compiled. This form of generic typing is also supported for C header files (preprocessed to produce `.h` files).

### 9.3.7 Useful functions in `numpy.distutils.misc_util`

- `get_numpy_include_dirs()` — return a list of NumPy base include directories. NumPy base include directories contain header files such as `numpy/arrayobject.h`, `numpy/funcobject.h` etc. For installed NumPy the returned list has length 1 but when building NumPy the list may contain more directories, for example, a path to `config.h` file that `numpy/base/setup.py` file generates and is used by numpy header files.
- `append_path(prefix, path)` — smart append path to `prefix`.
- `gpaths(paths, local_path='')` — apply glob to paths and prepend `local_path` if needed.
- `njoin(*path)` — join pathname components + convert `/`-separated path to `os.sep`-separated path and

resolve ., . from paths. Ex. `njoin('a', ['b', './c'], '...', 'g')` -> `os.path.join('a', 'b', 'g')`.

- `minrelpath(path)` — resolves dots in path.
- `rel_path(path, parent_path)` — return path relative to parent\_path.
- `def get_cmd(cmdname, _cache={})` — returns `numpy.distutils` command instance.
- `all_strings(lst)`
- `has_f_sources(sources)`
- `has_cxx_sources(sources)`
- `filter_sources(sources) — return c_sources, cxx_sources, f_sources, fmodule_sources`
- `get_dependencies(sources)`
- `is_local_src_dir(directory)`
- `get_ext_source_files(ext)`
- `get_script_files(scripts)`
- `get_lib_source_files(lib)`
- `get_data_files(data)`
- `dot_join(*args)` — join non-zero arguments with a dot.
- `get_frame(level=0)` — return frame object from call stack with given level.
- `cyg2win32(path)`
- `mingw32()` — return True when using mingw32 environment.
- `terminal_has_colors(), red_text(s), green_text(s), yellow_text(s), blue_text(s), cyan_text(s)`
- `get_path(mod_name, parent_path=None)` — return path of a module relative to parent\_path when given. Handles also `__main__` and `__builtin__` modules.
- `allpath(name)` — replaces / with `os.sep` in name.
- `cxx_ext_match, fortran_ext_match, f90_ext_match, f90_module_name_match`

### 9.3.8 `numpy.distutils.system_info` module

- `get_info(name, notfound_action=0)`
- `combine_paths(*args, **kws)`
- `show_all()`

### 9.3.9 numpy.distutils.cpuinfo module

- `cpuinfo`

### 9.3.10 numpy.distutils.log module

- `set_verbosity(v)`

### 9.3.11 numpy.distutils.exec\_command module

- `get_pythonexe()`
- `find_executable(exe, path=None)`
- `exec_command(command, execute_in='', use_shell=None, use_tee=None, **env)`

## 9.4 The `__init__.py` file

The header of a typical SciPy `__init__.py` is:

```
"""
Package docstring, typically with a brief description and function listing.
"""

# import functions into module namespace
from .subpackage import *
...

__all__ = [s for s in dir() if not s.startswith('_')]

from numpy.testing import Tester
test = Tester().test
bench = Tester().bench
```

## 9.5 Extra features in NumPy Distutils

### 9.5.1 Specifying config\_fc options for libraries in setup.py script

It is possible to specify config\_fc options in `setup.py` scripts. For example, using

```
config.add_library('library',
    sources=[...], config_fc={'noopt':(__file__,1)})
```

will compile the `library` sources without optimization flags.

It's recommended to specify only those config\_fc options in such a way that are compiler independent.

## 9.5.2 Getting extra Fortran 77 compiler options from source

Some old Fortran codes need special compiler options in order to work correctly. In order to specify compiler options per source file, `numpy.distutils` Fortran compiler looks for the following pattern:

```
CF77FLAGS(<fcompiler type>) = <fcompiler f77flags>
```

in the first 20 lines of the source and use the `f77flags` for specified type of the `fcompiler` (the first character `C` is optional).

TODO: This feature can be easily extended for Fortran 90 codes as well. Let us know if you would need such a feature.

## STATUS OF NUMPY.DISTUTILS AND MIGRATION ADVICE

`numpy.distutils` has been deprecated in NumPy 1.23.0. It will be removed for Python 3.12; for Python <= 3.11 it will not be removed until 2 years after the Python 3.12 release (Oct 2025).

**Warning:** `numpy.distutils` is only tested with `setuptools < 60.0`, newer versions may break. See [\*Interaction of numpy.distutils with setuptools\*](#) for details.

### 10.1 Migration advice

It is **not necessary** to migrate immediately - the release date for Python 3.12 is October 2023. It may be beneficial to wait with migrating until there are examples from other projects to follow (see below).

There are several build systems which are good options to migrate to. Assuming you have compiled code in your package (if not, we recommend using [Flit](#)) and you want to be using a well-designed, modern and reliable build system, we recommend:

1. [Meson](#)
2. [CMake](#) (or [scikit-build](#) as an interface to CMake)

If you have modest needs (only simple Cython/C extensions, and perhaps nested `setup.py` files) and have been happy with `numpy.distutils` so far, you can also consider switching to `setuptools`. Note that most functionality of `numpy.distutils` is unlikely to be ported to `setuptools`.

#### 10.1.1 Moving to Meson

SciPy is moving to Meson for its 1.9.0 release, planned for July 2022. During this process, any remaining issues with Meson's Python support and achieving feature parity with `numpy.distutils` will be resolved. *Note: parity means a large superset, but right now some BLAS/LAPACK support is missing and there are a few open issues related to Cython.* SciPy uses almost all functionality that `numpy.distutils` offers, so if SciPy has successfully made a release with Meson as the build system, there should be no blockers left to migrate, and SciPy will be a good reference for other packages who are migrating. For more details about the SciPy migration, see:

- [RFC: switch to Meson as a build system](#)
- [Tracking issue for Meson support](#)

NumPy itself will very likely migrate to Meson as well, once the SciPy migration is done.

## 10.1.2 Moving to CMake / scikit-build

See the [scikit-build documentation](#) for how to use scikit-build. Please note that as of Feb 2022, scikit-build still relies on setuptools, so it's probably not quite ready yet for a post-distutils world. How quickly this changes depends on funding, the current (Feb 2022) estimate is that if funding arrives then a viable numpy.distutils replacement will be ready at the end of 2022, and a very polished replacement mid-2023. For more details on this, see [this blog post by Henry Schreiner](#).

## 10.1.3 Moving to setuptools

For projects that only use numpy.distutils for historical reasons, and do not actually use features beyond those that setuptools also supports, moving to setuptools is likely the solution which costs the least effort. To assess that, there are the numpy.distutils features that are *not* present in setuptools:

- Nested setup.py files
- Fortran build support
- BLAS/LAPACK library support (OpenBLAS, MKL, ATLAS, Netlib LAPACK/BLAS, BLIS, 64-bit ILP interface, etc.)
- Support for a few other scientific libraries, like FFTW and UMFPACK
- Better MinGW support
- Per-compiler build flag customization (e.g. -O3 and SSE2 flags are default)
- a simple user build config system, see [site.cfg.example](<https://github.com/numpy/numpy/blob/master/site.cfg.example>)
- SIMD intrinsics support

The most widely used feature is nested setup.py files. This feature will likely be ported to setuptools (see [gh-18588](#) for status). Projects only using that feature could move to setuptools after that is done. In case a project uses only a couple of setup.py files, it also could make sense to simply aggregate all the content of those files into a single setup.py file and then move to setuptools. This involves dropping all Configuration instances, and using Extension instead. E.g.:

```
from distutils.core import setup
from distutils.extension import Extension
setup(name='foobar',
      version='1.0',
      ext_modules=[
          Extension('foopkg.foo', ['foo.c']),
          Extension('barpkg.bar', ['bar.c']),
      ],
)
```

For more details, see the setuptools documentation

## 10.2 Interaction of numpy.distutils with setuptools

It is recommended to use `setuptools < 60.0`. Newer versions may work, but are not guaranteed to. The reason for this is that `setuptools 60.0` enabled a vendored copy of `distutils`, including backwards incompatible changes that affect some functionality in `numpy.distutils`.

If you are using only simple Cython or C extensions with minimal use of `numpy.distutils` functionality beyond nested `setup.py` files (its most popular feature, see [Configuration](#)), then latest `setuptools` is likely to continue working. In case of problems, you can also try `SETUPTOOLS_USE_DISTUTILS=stdlib` to avoid the backwards incompatible changes in `setuptools`.

Whatever you do, it is recommended to put an upper bound on your `setuptools` build requirement in `pyproject.toml` to avoid future breakage - see [for-downstream-package-authors](#).



## NUMPY C-API

Beware of the man who won't be bothered with details.

— William Feather, Sr.

The truth is out there.

— Chris Carter, *The X Files*

NumPy provides a C-API to enable users to extend the system and get access to the array object for use in other routines. The best way to truly understand the C-API is to read the source code. If you are unfamiliar with (C) source code, however, this can be a daunting experience at first. Be assured that the task becomes easier with practice, and you may be surprised at how simple the C-code can be to understand. Even if you don't think you can write C-code from scratch, it is much easier to understand and modify already-written source code than create it *de novo*.

Python extensions are especially straightforward to understand because they all have a very similar structure. Admittedly, NumPy is not a trivial extension to Python, and may take a little more snooping to grasp. This is especially true because of the code-generation techniques, which simplify maintenance of very similar code, but can make the code a little less readable to beginners. Still, with a little persistence, the code can be opened to your understanding. It is my hope, that this guide to the C-API can assist in the process of becoming familiar with the compiled-level work that can be done with NumPy in order to squeeze that last bit of necessary speed out of your code.

### 11.1 Python Types and C-Structures

Several new types are defined in the C-code. Most of these are accessible from Python, but a few are not exposed due to their limited use. Every new Python type has an associated `PyObject`\* with an internal structure that includes a pointer to a “method table” that defines how the new object behaves in Python. When you receive a Python object into C code, you always get a pointer to a `PyObject` structure. Because a `PyObject` structure is very generic and defines only `PyObject_HEAD`, by itself it is not very interesting. However, different objects contain more details after the `PyObject_HEAD` (but you have to cast to the correct type to access them — or use accessor functions or macros).

### 11.1.1 New Python Types Defined

Python types are the functional equivalent in C of classes in Python. By constructing a new Python type you make available a new object for Python. The ndarray object is an example of a new type defined in C. New types are defined in C by two basic steps:

1. creating a C-structure (usually named `Py{Name}Object`) that is binary-compatible with the `PyObject` structure itself but holds the additional information needed for that particular object;
2. populating the `PyTypeObject` table (pointed to by the `ob_type` member of the `PyObject` structure) with pointers to functions that implement the desired behavior for the type.

Instead of special method names which define behavior for Python classes, there are “function tables” which point to functions that implement the desired results. Since Python 2.2, the `PyTypeObject` itself has become dynamic which allows C types that can be “sub-typed” from other C-types in C, and sub-classed in Python. The children types inherit the attributes and methods from their parent(s).

There are two major new types: the ndarray (`PyArray_Type`) and the ufunc (`PyUFunc_Type`). Additional types play a supportive role: the `PyArrayIter_Type`, the `PyArrayMultiIter_Type`, and the `PyArrayDescr_Type`. The `PyArrayIter_Type` is the type for a flat iterator for an ndarray (the object that is returned when getting the `flat` attribute). The `PyArrayMultiIter_Type` is the type of the object returned when calling `broadcast()`. It handles iteration and broadcasting over a collection of nested sequences. Also, the `PyArrayDescr_Type` is the data-type-descriptor type whose instances describe the data. Finally, there are 21 new scalar-array types which are new Python scalars corresponding to each of the fundamental data types available for arrays. An additional 10 other types are place holders that allow the array scalars to fit into a hierarchy of actual Python types.

#### `PyArray_Type` and `PyArrayObject`

##### `PyTypeObject PyArray_Type`

The Python type of the ndarray is `PyArray_Type`. In C, every ndarray is a pointer to a `PyArrayObject` structure. The `ob_type` member of this structure contains a pointer to the `PyArray_Type` typeobject.

type `PyArrayObject`

type `NPY_AO`

The `PyArrayObject` C-structure contains all of the required information for an array. All instances of an ndarray (and its subclasses) will have this structure. For future compatibility, these structure members should normally be accessed using the provided macros. If you need a shorter name, then you can make use of `NPY_AO` (deprecated) which is defined to be equivalent to `PyArrayObject`. Direct access to the struct fields are deprecated. Use the `PyArray_*(arr)` form instead. As of NumPy 1.20, the size of this struct is not considered part of the NumPy ABI (see note at the end of the member list).

```
typedef struct PyArrayObject {
    PyObject_HEAD
    char *data;
    int nd;
    npy_intp *dimensions;
    npy_intp *strides;
    PyObject *base;
    PyArray_Descr *descr;
    int flags;
    PyObject *weakreflist;
    /* version dependent private members */
} PyArrayObject;
```

##### `PyObject_HEAD`

This is needed by all Python objects. It consists of (at least) a reference count member (`ob_refcnt`) and

a pointer to the typeobject (`ob_type`). (Other elements may also be present if Python was compiled with special options see `Include/object.h` in the Python source tree for more information). The `ob_type` member points to a Python type object.

#### `char *data`

Accessible via `PyArray_DATA`, this data member is a pointer to the first element of the array. This pointer can (and normally should) be recast to the data type of the array.

#### `int nd`

An integer providing the number of dimensions for this array. When `nd` is 0, the array is sometimes called a rank-0 array. Such arrays have undefined dimensions and strides and cannot be accessed. Macro `PyArray_NDIM` defined in `ndarraytypes.h` points to this data member. `NPY_MAXDIMS` is the largest number of dimensions for any array.

#### `npy_intp dimensions`

An array of integers providing the shape in each dimension as long as `nd`  $\geq 1$ . The integer is always large enough to hold a pointer on the platform, so the dimension size is only limited by memory. `PyArray_DIMS` is the macro associated with this data member.

#### `npy_intp *strides`

An array of integers providing for each dimension the number of bytes that must be skipped to get to the next element in that dimension. Associated with macro `PyArray_STRIDES`.

#### `PyObject *base`

Pointed to by `PyArray_BASE`, this member is used to hold a pointer to another Python object that is related to this array. There are two use cases:

- If this array does not own its own memory, then `base` points to the Python object that owns it (perhaps another array object)
- If this array has the `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEBACKIFCOPY` flag set, then this array is a working copy of a “misbehaved” array.

When `PyArray_ResolveWritebackIfCopy` is called, the array pointed to by `base` will be updated with the contents of this array.

#### `PyArray_Descr *descr`

A pointer to a data-type descriptor object (see below). The data-type descriptor object is an instance of a new built-in type which allows a generic description of memory. There is a descriptor structure for each data type supported. This descriptor structure contains useful information about the type as well as a pointer to a table of function pointers to implement specific functionality. As the name suggests, it is associated with the macro `PyArray_DESCR`.

#### `int flags`

Pointed to by the macro `PyArray_FLAGS`, this data member represents the flags indicating how the memory pointed to by `data` is to be interpreted. Possible flags are `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS`, `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS`, `NPY_ARRAY_OWNDATA`, `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`, `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE`, `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEBACKIFCOPY`.

#### `PyObject *weakreflist`

This member allows array objects to have weak references (using the `weakref` module).

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**Note:** Further members are considered private and version dependent. If the size of the struct is important for your code, special care must be taken. A possible use-case when this is relevant is subclassing in C. If your code relies on `sizeof(PyArrayObject)` to be constant, you must add the following check at import time:

```

if (sizeof(PyArrayObject) < PyArray_Type.tp_basicsize) {
    PyErr_SetString(PyExc_ImportError,
        "Binary incompatibility with NumPy, must recompile/update X.");
    return NULL;
}

```

To ensure that your code does not have to be compiled for a specific NumPy version, you may add a constant, leaving room for changes in NumPy. A solution guaranteed to be compatible with any future NumPy version requires the use of a runtime calculate offset and allocation size.

## PyArrayDescr\_Type and PyArray\_Descr

### PyTypeObject PyArrayDescr\_Type

The `PyArrayDescr_Type` is the built-in type of the data-type-descriptor objects used to describe how the bytes comprising the array are to be interpreted. There are 21 statically-defined `PyArray_Descr` objects for the built-in data-types. While these participate in reference counting, their reference count should never reach zero. There is also a dynamic table of user-defined `PyArray_Descr` objects that is also maintained. Once a data-type-descriptor object is “registered” it should never be deallocated either. The function `PyArray_DescrFromType` (...) can be used to retrieve a `PyArray_Descr` object from an enumerated type-number (either built-in or user-defined).

### type PyArray\_Descr

The `PyArray_Descr` structure lies at the heart of the `PyArrayDescr_Type`. While it is described here for completeness, it should be considered internal to NumPy and manipulated via `PyArrayDescr_*` or `PyDataType_*` functions and macros. The size of this structure is subject to change across versions of NumPy. To ensure compatibility:

- Never declare a non-pointer instance of the struct
- Never perform pointer arithmetic
- Never use `sizof`(`PyArray_Descr`)

It has the following structure:

```

typedef struct {
    PyObject_HEAD
    PyTypeObject *typeobj;
    char kind;
    char type;
    char byteorder;
    char flags;
    int type_num;
    int elsize;
    int alignment;
    PyArray_ArrayDescr *subarray;
    PyObject *fields;
    PyObject *names;
    PyArray_ArrFuncs *f;
    PyObject *metadata;
    NpyAuxData *c_metadata;
    npy_hash_t hash;
} PyArray_Descr;

```

**PyTypeObject \*[typeobj](#)**

Pointer to a typeobject that is the corresponding Python type for the elements of this array. For the builtin types, this points to the corresponding array scalar. For user-defined types, this should point to a user-defined typeobject. This typeobject can either inherit from array scalars or not. If it does not inherit from array scalars, then the [NPY\\_USE\\_GETITEM](#) and [NPY\\_USE\\_SETITEM](#) flags should be set in the [flags](#) member.

**char [kind](#)**

A character code indicating the kind of array (using the array interface typestring notation). A ‘b’ represents Boolean, a ‘i’ represents signed integer, a ‘u’ represents unsigned integer, ‘f’ represents floating point, ‘c’ represents complex floating point, ‘S’ represents 8-bit zero-terminated bytes, ‘U’ represents 32-bit/character unicode string, and ‘V’ represents arbitrary.

**char [type](#)**

A traditional character code indicating the data type.

**char [byteorder](#)**

A character indicating the byte-order: ‘>’ (big-endian), ‘<’ (little- endian), ‘=’ (native), ‘!’ (irrelevant, ignore). All builtin data- types have byteorder ‘=’.

**char [flags](#)**

A data-type bit-flag that determines if the data-type exhibits object- array like behavior. Each bit in this member is a flag which are named as:

**int [alignment](#)**

Non-NULL if this type is an array (C-contiguous) of some other type

**[NPY\\_ITEM\\_REFCOUNT](#)**

Indicates that items of this data-type must be reference counted (using [Py\\_INCREF](#) and [Py\\_DECREF](#) ).

**[NPY\\_ITEM\\_HASOBJECT](#)**

Same as [NPY\\_ITEM\\_REFCOUNT](#).

**[NPY\\_LIST\\_PICKLE](#)**

Indicates arrays of this data-type must be converted to a list before pickling.

**[NPY\\_ITEM\\_IS\\_POINTER](#)**

Indicates the item is a pointer to some other data-type

**[NPY\\_NEEDS\\_INIT](#)**

Indicates memory for this data-type must be initialized (set to 0) on creation.

**[NPY\\_NEEDS\\_PYAPI](#)**

Indicates this data-type requires the Python C-API during access (so don’t give up the GIL if array access is going to be needed).

**[NPY\\_USE\\_GETITEM](#)**

On array access use the `f->getitem` function pointer instead of the standard conversion to an array scalar. Must use if you don’t define an array scalar to go along with the data-type.

**[NPY\\_USE\\_SETITEM](#)**

When creating a 0-d array from an array scalar use `f->setitem` instead of the standard copy from an array scalar. Must use if you don’t define an array scalar to go along with the data-type.

**[NPY\\_FROM\\_FIELDS](#)**

The bits that are inherited for the parent data-type if these bits are set in any field of the data-type. Currently ([NPY\\_NEEDS\\_INIT](#) | [NPY\\_LIST\\_PICKLE](#) | [NPY\\_ITEM\\_REFCOUNT](#) | [NPY\\_NEEDS\\_PYAPI](#) ).

**NPY\_OBJECT\_DTYPE\_FLAGS**

Bits set for the object data-type: (`NPY_LIST_PICKLE` | `NPY_USE_GETITEM` | `NPY_ITEM_IS_POINTER` | `NPY_ITEM_REFCOUNT` | `NPY_NEEDS_INIT` | `NPY_NEEDS_PYAPI`).

int **PyDataType\_FLAGCHK** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*dtype, int flags)

Return true if all the given flags are set for the data-type object.

int **PyDataType\_REFCHK** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*dtype)

Equivalent to `PyDataType_FLAGCHK(dtype, NPY_ITEM_REFCOUNT)`.

int **type\_num**

A number that uniquely identifies the data type. For new data-types, this number is assigned when the data-type is registered.

int **elsize**

For data types that are always the same size (such as long), this holds the size of the data type. For flexible data types where different arrays can have a different elementsize, this should be 0.

int **alignment**

A number providing alignment information for this data type. Specifically, it shows how far from the start of a 2-element structure (whose first element is a `char`), the compiler places an item of this type:  
`offsetof(struct {char c; type v;}, v)`

type **PyArray\_ArrayDescr** \***subarray**

If this is non-NULL, then this data-type descriptor is a C-style contiguous array of another data-type descriptor. In other-words, each element that this descriptor describes is actually an array of some other base descriptor. This is most useful as the data-type descriptor for a field in another data-type descriptor. The `fields` member should be NULL if this is non-NULL (the `fields` member of the base descriptor can be non-NULL however).

type **PyArray\_ArrayDescr**

```
typedef struct {
    PyArray_Descr *base;
    PyObject *shape;
} PyArray_ArrayDescr;
```

type **PyArray\_Descr** \***base**

The data-type-descriptor object of the base-type.

PyObject \***shape**

The shape (always C-style contiguous) of the sub-array as a Python tuple.

PyObject \***fields**

If this is non-NULL, then this data-type-descriptor has fields described by a Python dictionary whose keys are names (and also titles if given) and whose values are tuples that describe the fields. Recall that a data-type-descriptor always describes a fixed-length set of bytes. A field is a named sub-region of that total, fixed-length collection. A field is described by a tuple composed of another data-type-descriptor and a byte offset. Optionally, the tuple may contain a title which is normally a Python string. These tuples are placed in this dictionary keyed by name (and also title if given).

PyObject \***names**

An ordered tuple of field names. It is NULL if no field is defined.

`PyArray_ArrFuncs *f`

A pointer to a structure containing functions that the type needs to implement internal features. These functions are not the same thing as the universal functions (ufuncs) described later. Their signatures can vary arbitrarily.

`PyObject *metadata`

Metadata about this dtype.

`NpyAuxData *c_metadata`

Metadata specific to the C implementation of the particular dtype. Added for NumPy 1.7.0.

`type npy_hash_t`

`npy_hash_t *hash`

Currently unused. Reserved for future use in caching hash values.

`type PyArray_ArrFuncs`

Functions implementing internal features. Not all of these function pointers must be defined for a given type. The required members are `nonzero`, `copyswap`, `copyswappn`, `setitem`, `getitem`, and `cast`. These are assumed to be non-NULL and NULL entries will cause a program crash. The other functions may be NULL which will just mean reduced functionality for that data-type. (Also, the `nonzero` function will be filled in with a default function if it is NULL when you register a user-defined data-type).

```
typedef struct {
    PyArray_VectorUnaryFunc *cast[NPY_NTYPES];
    PyArray_GetItemFunc *getitem;
    PyArray_SetItemFunc *setitem;
    PyArray_CopySwapNFunc *copyswappn;
    PyArray_CopySwapFunc *copyswap;
    PyArray_CompareFunc *compare;
    PyArray_ArgFunc *argmax;
    PyArray_DotFunc *dotfunc;
    PyArray_ScanFunc *scanfunc;
    PyArray_FromStrFunc *fromstr;
    PyArray_NonzeroFunc *nonzero;
    PyArray_FillFunc *fill;
    PyArray_FillWithScalarFunc *fillwithscalar;
    PyArray_SortFunc *sort[NPY_NSORTS];
    PyArray_ArgSortFunc *argsort[NPY_NSORTS];
    PyObject *castdict;
    PyArray_ScalarKindFunc *scalarkind;
    int **cancastscalarkindto;
    int *cancastto;
    PyArray_FastClipFunc *fastclip; /* deprecated */
    PyArray_FastPutmaskFunc *fastputmask; /* deprecated */
    PyArray_FastTakeFunc *fasttake; /* deprecated */
    PyArray_ArgFunc *argmin;
} PyArray_ArrFuncs;
```

The concept of a behaved segment is used in the description of the function pointers. A behaved segment is one that is aligned and in native machine byte-order for the data-type. The `nonzero`, `copyswap`, `copyswappn`, `getitem`, and `setitem` functions can (and must) deal with mis-behaved arrays. The other functions require behaved memory segments.

`void cast (void *from, void *to, npy_intp n, void *fromarr, void *toarr)`

An array of function pointers to cast from the current type to all of the other builtin types. Each function casts a contiguous, aligned, and notswapped buffer pointed at by `from` to a contiguous, aligned, and notswapped

buffer pointed at by *to*. The number of items to cast is given by *n*, and the arguments *fromarr* and *toarr* are interpreted as PyArrayObjects for flexible arrays to get itemsize information.

**PyObject \*getitem** (void \*data, void \*arr)

A pointer to a function that returns a standard Python object from a single element of the array object *arr* pointed to by *data*. This function must be able to deal with “misbehaved” (misaligned and/or swapped) arrays correctly.

**int setitem** (PyObject \*item, void \*data, void \*arr)

A pointer to a function that sets the Python object *item* into the array, *arr*, at the position pointed to by *data*. This function deals with “misbehaved” arrays. If successful, a zero is returned, otherwise, a negative one is returned (and a Python error set).

**void copyswapn** (void \*dest, *npy\_intp* dstride, void \*src, *npy\_intp* sstride, *npy\_intp* n, int swap, void \*arr)

**void copyswap** (void \*dest, void \*src, int swap, void \*arr)

These members are both pointers to functions to copy data from *src* to *dest* and *swap* if indicated. The value of *arr* is only used for flexible (*NPY\_STRING*, *NPY\_UNICODE*, and *NPY\_VOID*) arrays (and is obtained from *arr*->*descr*->*elsize*). The second function copies a single value, while the first loops over *n* values with the provided strides. These functions can deal with misbehaved *src* data. If *src* is NULL then no copy is performed. If *swap* is 0, then no byteswapping occurs. It is assumed that *dest* and *src* do not overlap. If they overlap, then use *memmove* (...) first followed by *copyswap* (*n*) with NULL valued *src*.

**int compare** (const void \*d1, const void \*d2, void \*arr)

A pointer to a function that compares two elements of the array, *arr*, pointed to by *d1* and *d2*. This function requires behaved (aligned and not swapped) arrays. The return value is 1 if *\* d1 > \* d2*, 0 if *\* d1 == \* d2*, and -1 if *\* d1 < \* d2*. The array object *arr* is used to retrieve itemsize and field information for flexible arrays.

**int argmax** (void \*data, *npy\_intp* n, *npy\_intp* \*max\_ind, void \*arr)

A pointer to a function that retrieves the index of the largest of *n* elements in *arr* beginning at the element pointed to by *data*. This function requires that the memory segment be contiguous and behaved. The return value is always 0. The index of the largest element is returned in *max\_ind*.

**void dotfunc** (void \*ip1, *npy\_intp* is1, void \*ip2, *npy\_intp* is2, void \*op, *npy\_intp* n, void \*arr)

A pointer to a function that multiplies two *n*-length sequences together, adds them, and places the result in element pointed to by *op* of *arr*. The start of the two sequences are pointed to by *ip1* and *ip2*. To get to the next element in each sequence requires a jump of *is1* and *is2* bytes, respectively. This function requires behaved (though not necessarily contiguous) memory.

**int scanfunc** (FILE \*fd, void \*ip, void \*arr)

A pointer to a function that scans (scanf style) one element of the corresponding type from the file descriptor *fd* into the array memory pointed to by *ip*. The array is assumed to be behaved. The last argument *arr* is the array to be scanned into. Returns number of receiving arguments successfully assigned (which may be zero in case a matching failure occurred before the first receiving argument was assigned), or EOF if input failure occurs before the first receiving argument was assigned. This function should be called without holding the Python GIL, and has to grab it for error reporting.

**int fromstr** (char \*str, void \*ip, char \*\*endptr, void \*arr)

A pointer to a function that converts the string pointed to by *str* to one element of the corresponding type and places it in the memory location pointed to by *ip*. After the conversion is completed, *\*endptr* points to the rest of the string. The last argument *arr* is the array into which *ip* points (needed for variable-size data- types). Returns 0 on success or -1 on failure. Requires a behaved array. This function should be called without holding the Python GIL, and has to grab it for error reporting.

`npy_bool nonzero (void *data, void *arr)`

A pointer to a function that returns TRUE if the item of `arr` pointed to by `data` is nonzero. This function can deal with misbehaved arrays.

`void fill (void *data, npy_intp length, void *arr)`

A pointer to a function that fills a contiguous array of given length with data. The first two elements of the array must already be filled-in. From these two values, a delta will be computed and the values from item 3 to the end will be computed by repeatedly adding this computed delta. The data buffer must be well-behaved.

`void fillwithscalar (void *buffer, npy_intp length, void *value, void *arr)`

A pointer to a function that fills a contiguous buffer of the given `length` with a single scalar `value` whose address is given. The final argument is the array which is needed to get the itemsize for variable-length arrays.

`int sort (void *start, npy_intp length, void *arr)`

An array of function pointers to a particular sorting algorithms. A particular sorting algorithm is obtained using a key (so far `NPY_QUICKSORT`, `NPY_HEAPSORT`, and `NPY_MERGESORT` are defined). These sorts are done in-place assuming contiguous and aligned data.

`int argsort (void *start, npy_intp *result, npy_intp length, void *arr)`

An array of function pointers to sorting algorithms for this data type. The same sorting algorithms as for `sort` are available. The indices producing the sort are returned in `result` (which must be initialized with indices 0 to `length-1` inclusive).

`PyObject *castdict`

Either NULL or a dictionary containing low-level casting functions for user-defined data-types. Each function is wrapped in a `PyCapsule*` and keyed by the data-type number.

`NPY_SCALAR_KIND scalarkind (PyArrayObject *arr)`

A function to determine how scalars of this type should be interpreted. The argument is NULL or a 0-dimensional array containing the data (if that is needed to determine the kind of scalar). The return value must be of type `NPY_SCALAR_KIND`.

`int **cancastscalarkindto`

Either NULL or an array of `NPY_NSCALAR_KINDS` pointers. These pointers should each be either NULL or a pointer to an array of integers (terminated by `NPY_NOTYPE`) indicating data-types that a scalar of this data-type of the specified kind can be cast to safely (this usually means without losing precision).

`int *cancastto`

Either NULL or an array of integers (terminated by `NPY_NOTYPE`) indicated data-types that this data-type can be cast to safely (this usually means without losing precision).

`void fastclip (void *in, npy_intp n_in, void *min, void *max, void *out)`

Deprecated since version 1.17: The use of this function will give a deprecation warning when `np.clip`. Instead of this function, the datatype must instead use `PyUFunc_RegisterLoopForDescr` to attach a custom loop to `np.core.umath.clip`, `np.minimum`, and `np.maximum`.

Deprecated since version 1.19: Setting this function is deprecated and should always be NULL, if set, it will be ignored.

A function that reads `n_in` items from `in`, and writes to `out` the read value if it is within the limits pointed to by `min` and `max`, or the corresponding limit if outside. The memory segments must be contiguous and behaved, and either `min` or `max` may be NULL, but not both.

`void fastputmask (void *in, void *mask, npy_intp n_in, void *values, npy_intp nv)`

Deprecated since version 1.19: Setting this function is deprecated and should always be NULL, if set, it will be ignored.

A function that takes a pointer `in` to an array of `n_in` items, a pointer `mask` to an array of `n_in` boolean values, and a pointer `vals` to an array of `nv` items. Items from `vals` are copied into `in` wherever the value in `mask` is non-zero, tiling `vals` as needed if `nv < n_in`. All arrays must be contiguous and behaved.

```
void fasttake (void *dest, void *src, npy_intp *indarray, npy_intp nindarray, npy_intp n_outer, npy_intp m_middle, npy_intp nelem, NPY_CLIPMODE clipmode)
```

Deprecated since version 1.19: Setting this function is deprecated and should always be NULL, if set, it will be ignored.

A function that takes a pointer `src` to a C contiguous, behaved segment, interpreted as a 3-dimensional array of shape (`n_outer`, `nindarray`, `nelem`), a pointer `indarray` to a contiguous, behaved segment of `m_middle` integer indices, and a pointer `dest` to a C contiguous, behaved segment, interpreted as a 3-dimensional array of shape (`n_outer`, `m_middle`, `nelem`). The indices in `indarray` are used to index `src` along the second dimension, and copy the corresponding chunks of `nelem` items into `dest`. `clipmode` (which can take on the values `NPY_RAISE`, `NPY_WRAP` or `NPY_CLIP`) determines how will indices smaller than 0 or larger than `nindarray` will be handled.

```
int argmin (void *data, npy_intp n, npy_intp *min_ind, void *arr)
```

A pointer to a function that retrieves the index of the smallest of `n` elements in `arr` beginning at the element pointed to by `data`. This function requires that the memory segment be contiguous and behaved. The return value is always 0. The index of the smallest element is returned in `min_ind`.

The `PyArray_Type` typeobject implements many of the features of Python objects including the `tp_as_number`, `tp_as_sequence`, `tp_as_mapping`, and `tp_as_buffer` interfaces. The `rich comparison` is also used along with new-style attribute lookup for member (`tp_members`) and properties (`tp_getset`). The `PyArray_Type` can also be sub-typed.

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**Tip:** The `tp_as_number` methods use a generic approach to call whatever function has been registered for handling the operation. When the `_multiarray_umath` module is imported, it sets the numeric operations for all arrays to the corresponding ufuncs. This choice can be changed with `PyUFunc.ReplaceLoopBySignature`. The `tp_str` and `tp_repr` methods can also be altered using `PyArray_SetStringFunction`.

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## PyUFunc\_Type and PyUFuncObject

### PyTypeObject PyUFunc\_Type

The ufunc object is implemented by creation of the `PyUFunc_Type`. It is a very simple type that implements only basic getattribute behavior, printing behavior, and has call behavior which allows these objects to act like functions. The basic idea behind the ufunc is to hold a reference to fast 1-dimensional (vector) loops for each data type that supports the operation. These one-dimensional loops all have the same signature and are the key to creating a new ufunc. They are called by the generic looping code as appropriate to implement the N-dimensional function. There are also some generic 1-d loops defined for floating and complexfloating arrays that allow you to define a ufunc using a single scalar function (e.g. `atanh`).

### type PyUFuncObject

The core of the ufunc is the `PyUFuncObject` which contains all the information needed to call the underlying C-code loops that perform the actual work. While it is described here for completeness, it should be considered internal to NumPy and manipulated via `PyUFunc_*` functions. The size of this structure is subject to change across versions of NumPy. To ensure compatibility:

- Never declare a non-pointer instance of the struct
- Never perform pointer arithmetic
- Never use `sizeof` (`PyUFuncObject`)

It has the following structure:

```
typedef struct {
    PyObject_HEAD
    int nin;
    int nout;
    int nargs;
    int identity;
    PyUFuncGenericFunction *functions;
    void **data;
    int ntypes;
    int reserved1;
    const char *name;
    char *types;
    const char *doc;
    void *ptr;
    PyObject *obj;
    PyObject *userloops;
    int core_enabled;
    int core_num_dim_ix;
    int *core_num_dims;
    int *core_dim_ixs;
    int *core_offsets;
    char *core_signature;
    PyUFunc_TypeResolutionFunc *type_resolver;
    PyUFunc_LegacyInnerLoopSelectionFunc *legacy_inner_loop_selector;
    void *reserved2;
    npy_uint32 *op_flags;
    npy_uint32 *iter_flags;
    /* new in API version 0x0000000D */
    npy_intp *core_dim_sizes;
    npy_uint32 *core_dim_flags;
    PyObject *identity_value;
    /* Further private slots (size depends on the NumPy version) */
} PyUFuncObject;
```

#### int **nin**

The number of input arguments.

#### int **nout**

The number of output arguments.

#### int **nargs**

The total number of arguments (*nin* + *nout*). This must be less than `NPY_MAXARGS`.

#### int **identity**

Either `PyUFunc_One`, `PyUFunc_Zero`, `PyUFunc_MinusOne`, `PyUFunc_None`, `PyUFunc_ReorderableNone`, or `PyUFunc_IdentityValue` to indicate the identity for this operation. It is only used for a reduce-like call on an empty array.

#### void **functions** (char \*\*args, `npy_intp` \*dims, `npy_intp` \*steps, void \*extradata)

An array of function pointers — one for each data type supported by the ufunc. This is the vector loop that is called to implement the underlying function *dims* [0] times. The first argument, *args*, is an array of *nargs* pointers to behaved memory. Pointers to the data for the input arguments are first, followed by the pointers to the data for the output arguments. How many bytes must be skipped to get to the next element in the sequence is specified by the corresponding entry in the *steps* array. The last argument allows the loop to receive extra information. This is commonly used so that a single, generic vector loop can be used for multiple functions.

In this case, the actual scalar function to call is passed in as *extradata*. The size of this function pointer array is *ntypes*.

**void \*\*data**

Extra data to be passed to the 1-d vector loops or NULL if no extra-data is needed. This C-array must be the same size (*i.e.* *ntypes*) as the functions array. NULL is used if extra\_data is not needed. Several C-API calls for UFuncs are just 1-d vector loops that make use of this extra data to receive a pointer to the actual function to call.

**int ntypes**

The number of supported data types for the ufunc. This number specifies how many different 1-d loops (of the builtin data types) are available.

**int reserved1**

Unused.

**char \*name**

A string name for the ufunc. This is used dynamically to build the `__doc__` attribute of ufuncs.

**char \*types**

An array of  $nargs \times ntypes$  8-bit type\_numbers which contains the type signature for the function for each of the supported (builtin) data types. For each of the *ntypes* functions, the corresponding set of type numbers in this array shows how the *args* argument should be interpreted in the 1-d vector loop. These type numbers do not have to be the same type and mixed-type ufuncs are supported.

**char \*doc**

Documentation for the ufunc. Should not contain the function signature as this is generated dynamically when `__doc__` is retrieved.

**void \*ptr**

Any dynamically allocated memory. Currently, this is used for dynamic ufuncs created from a python function to store room for the types, data, and name members.

**PyObject \*obj**

For ufuncs dynamically created from python functions, this member holds a reference to the underlying Python function.

**PyObject \*userloops**

A dictionary of user-defined 1-d vector loops (stored as CObject ptrs) for user-defined types. A loop may be registered by the user for any user-defined type. It is retrieved by type number. User defined type numbers are always larger than `NPY_USERDEF`.

**int core\_enabled**

0 for scalar ufuncs; 1 for generalized ufuncs

**int core\_num\_dim\_ix**

Number of distinct core dimension names in the signature

**int \*core\_num\_dims**

Number of core dimensions of each argument

**int \*core\_dim\_ixs**

Dimension indices in a flattened form; indices of argument *k* are stored in `core_dim_ixs[core_offsets[k] : core_offsets[k] + core_numdims[k]]`

**int \*core\_offsets**

Position of 1st core dimension of each argument in `core_dim_ixs`, equivalent to `cumsum(core_num_dims)`

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```

char *core_signature
    Core signature string

PyUFunc_TypeResolutionFunc *type_resolver
    A function which resolves the types and fills an array with the dtypes for the inputs and outputs

PyUFunc_LegacyInnerLoopSelectionFunc *legacy_inner_loop_selector
    Deprecated since version 1.22: Some fallback support for this slot exists, but will be removed eventually. A universal function that relied on this will have to be ported eventually. See ref:NEP 41 and ref:NEP 43

void *reserved2
    For a possible future loop selector with a different signature.

npy_uint32 op_flags
    Override the default operand flags for each ufunc operand.

npy_uint32 iter_flags
    Override the default nditer flags for the ufunc.

Added in API version 0x0000000D

npy_intp *core_dim_sizes
    For each distinct core dimension, the possible frozen size if UFUNC_CORE_DIM_SIZE_INFERRRED is 0

npy_uint32 *core_dim_flags
    For each distinct core dimension, a set of UFUNC_CORE_DIM* flags

UFUNC_CORE_DIM_CAN_IGNORE
    if the dim name ends in ?

UFUNC_CORE_DIM_SIZE_INFERRRED
    if the dim size will be determined from the operands and not from a frozen signature

PyObject *identity_value
    Identity for reduction, when PyUFuncObject.identity is equal to PyUFunc_IdentityValue.

```

## PyArrayIter\_Type and PyArrayIterObject

### PyTypeObject PyArrayIter\_Type

This is an iterator object that makes it easy to loop over an N-dimensional array. It is the object returned from the flat attribute of an ndarray. It is also used extensively throughout the implementation internals to loop over an N-dimensional array. The `tp_as_mapping` interface is implemented so that the iterator object can be indexed (using 1-d indexing), and a few methods are implemented through the `tp_methods` table. This object implements the `next` method and can be used anywhere an iterator can be used in Python.

### type PyArrayIterObject

The C-structure corresponding to an object of `PyArrayIter_Type` is the `PyArrayIterObject`. The `PyArrayIterObject` is used to keep track of a pointer into an N-dimensional array. It contains associated information used to quickly march through the array. The pointer can be adjusted in three basic ways: 1) advance to the “next” position in the array in a C-style contiguous fashion, 2) advance to an arbitrary N-dimensional coordinate in the array, and 3) advance to an arbitrary one-dimensional index into the array. The members of the `PyArrayIterObject` structure are used in these calculations. Iterator objects keep their own dimension and strides information about an array. This can be adjusted as needed for “broadcasting,” or to loop over only specific dimensions.

```
typedef struct {
    PyObject_HEAD
    int nd_m1;
    npy_intp index;
    npy_intp size;
    npy_intp coordinates[NPY_MAXDIMS];
    npy_intp dims_m1[NPY_MAXDIMS];
    npy_intp strides[NPY_MAXDIMS];
    npy_intp backstrides[NPY_MAXDIMS];
    npy_intp factors[NPY_MAXDIMS];
    PyArrayObject *ao;
    char *dataptr;
    npy_bool contiguous;
} PyArrayIterObject;
```

**int `nd_m1`**

$N - 1$  where  $N$  is the number of dimensions in the underlying array.

**npy\_intp `index`**

The current 1-d index into the array.

**npy\_intp `size`**

The total size of the underlying array.

**npy\_intp \*`coordinates`**

An  $N$ -dimensional index into the array.

**npy\_intp \*`dims_m1`**

The size of the array minus 1 in each dimension.

**npy\_intp \*`strides`**

The strides of the array. How many bytes needed to jump to the next element in each dimension.

**npy\_intp \*`backstrides`**

How many bytes needed to jump from the end of a dimension back to its beginning. Note that `backstrides[k] == strides[k] * dims_m1[k]`, but it is stored here as an optimization.

**npy\_intp \*`factors`**

This array is used in computing an N-d index from a 1-d index. It contains needed products of the dimensions.

**PyArrayObject \*`ao`**

A pointer to the underlying ndarray this iterator was created to represent.

**char \*`dataptr`**

This member points to an element in the ndarray indicated by the index.

**npy\_bool `contiguous`**

This flag is true if the underlying array is `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS`. It is used to simplify calculations when possible.

How to use an array iterator on a C-level is explained more fully in later sections. Typically, you do not need to concern yourself with the internal structure of the iterator object, and merely interact with it through the use of the macros `PyArray_ITER_NEXT` (`it`), `PyArray_ITER_GOTO` (`it, dest`), or `PyArray_ITER_GOTO1D` (`it, index`). All of these macros require the argument `it` to be a `PyArrayIterObject*`.

## PyArrayMultiIter\_Type and PyArrayMultiIterObject

### PyTypeObject PyArrayMultiIter\_Type

This type provides an iterator that encapsulates the concept of broadcasting. It allows  $N$  arrays to be broadcast together so that the loop progresses in C-style contiguous fashion over the broadcasted array. The corresponding C-structure is the *PyArrayMultiIterObject* whose memory layout must begin any object, *obj*, passed in to the *PyArray\_Broadcast* (*obj*) function. Broadcasting is performed by adjusting array iterators so that each iterator represents the broadcasted shape and size, but has its strides adjusted so that the correct element from the array is used at each iteration.

type **PyArrayMultiIterObject**

```
typedef struct {
    PyObject_HEAD
    int numiter;
    npy_intp size;
    npy_intp index;
    int nd;
    npy_intp dimensions[NPY_MAXDIMS];
    PyArrayIterObject *iters[NPY_MAXDIMS];
} PyArrayMultiIterObject;
```

#### int **numiter**

The number of arrays that need to be broadcast to the same shape.

#### npy\_intp **size**

The total broadcasted size.

#### npy\_intp **index**

The current (1-d) index into the broadcasted result.

#### int **nd**

The number of dimensions in the broadcasted result.

#### npy\_intp \***dimensions**

The shape of the broadcasted result (only *nd* slots are used).

#### PyArrayIterObject \*\***iters**

An array of iterator objects that holds the iterators for the arrays to be broadcast together. On return, the iterators are adjusted for broadcasting.

## PyArrayNeighborhoodIter\_Type and PyArrayNeighborhoodIterObject

### PyTypeObject PyArrayNeighborhoodIter\_Type

This is an iterator object that makes it easy to loop over an N-dimensional neighborhood.

type **PyArrayNeighborhoodIterObject**

The C-structure corresponding to an object of *PyArrayNeighborhoodIter\_Type* is the *PyArrayNeighborhoodIterObject*.

```
typedef struct {
    PyObject_HEAD
    int nd_m1;
    npy_intp index, size;
    npy_intp coordinates[NPY_MAXDIMS]
```

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```

npy_intp dims_m1[NPY_MAXDIMS];
npy_intp strides[NPY_MAXDIMS];
npy_intp backstrides[NPY_MAXDIMS];
npy_intp factors[NPY_MAXDIMS];
PyArrayObject *ao;
char *dataptr;
npy_bool contiguous;
npy_intp bounds[NPY_MAXDIMS][2];
npy_intp limits[NPY_MAXDIMS][2];
npy_intp limits_sizes[NPY_MAXDIMS];
npy_iter_get_dataptr_t translate;
npy_intp nd;
npy_intp dimensions[NPY_MAXDIMS];
PyArrayIterObject* _internal_iter;
char* constant;
int mode;
} PyArrayNeighborhoodIterObject;

```

## PyArrayFlags\_Type and PyArrayFlagsObject

### PyTypeObject PyArrayFlags\_Type

When the flags attribute is retrieved from Python, a special builtin object of this type is constructed. This special type makes it easier to work with the different flags by accessing them as attributes or by accessing them as if the object were a dictionary with the flag names as entries.

type PyArrayFlagsObject

```

typedef struct PyArrayFlagsObject {
    PyObject_HEAD
    PyObject *arr;
    int flags;
} PyArrayFlagsObject;

```

## ScalarArrayTypes

There is a Python type for each of the different built-in data types that can be present in the array. Most of these are simple wrappers around the corresponding data type in C. The C-names for these types are `Py{TYPE}ArrType_Type` where `{TYPE}` can be

`Bool, Byte, Short, Int, Long, LongLong, UByte, UShort, UInt, ULong, ULongLong, Half, Float, Double, LongDouble, CFloat, CDouble, CLongDouble, String, Unicode, Void, and Object.`

These type names are part of the C-API and can therefore be created in extension C-code. There is also a `PyIntpArrType_Type` and a `PyUIntpArrType_Type` that are simple substitutes for one of the integer types that can hold a pointer on the platform. The structure of these scalar objects is not exposed to C-code. The function `PyArray_ScalarAsCtype(..)` can be used to extract the C-type value from the array scalar and the function `PyArray_Scalar(..)` can be used to construct an array scalar from a C-value.

## 11.1.2 Other C-Structures

A few new C-structures were found to be useful in the development of NumPy. These C-structures are used in at least one C-API call and are therefore documented here. The main reason these structures were defined is to make it easy to use the Python ParseTuple C-API to convert from Python objects to a useful C-Object.

### PyArray\_Dims

type **PyArray\_Dims**

This structure is very useful when shape and/or strides information is supposed to be interpreted. The structure is:

```
typedef struct {
    npy_intp *ptr;
    int len;
} PyArray_Dims;
```

The members of this structure are

*npy\_intp* \***ptr**

A pointer to a list of (*npy\_intp*) integers which usually represent array shape or array strides.

**int** **len**

The length of the list of integers. It is assumed safe to access *ptr* [0] to *ptr* [*len*-1].

### PyArray\_Chunk

type **PyArray\_Chunk**

This is equivalent to the buffer object structure in Python up to the *ptr* member. On 32-bit platforms (*i.e.* if *NPY\_SIZEOF\_INT == NPY\_SIZEOF\_INTP*), the *len* member also matches an equivalent member of the buffer object. It is useful to represent a generic single-segment chunk of memory.

```
typedef struct {
    PyObject_HEAD
    PyObject *base;
    void *ptr;
    npy_intp len;
    int flags;
} PyArray_Chunk;
```

The members are

**PyObject** \***base**

The Python object this chunk of memory comes from. Needed so that memory can be accounted for properly.

**void** \***ptr**

A pointer to the start of the single-segment chunk of memory.

*npy\_intp* **len**

The length of the segment in bytes.

**int** **flags**

Any data flags (*e.g.* *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE*) that should be used to interpret the memory.

## PyArrayInterface

See also:

*The array interface protocol*

type **PyArrayInterface**

The `PyArrayInterface` structure is defined so that NumPy and other extension modules can use the rapid array interface protocol. The `__array_struct__` method of an object that supports the rapid array interface protocol should return a `PyCapsule` that contains a pointer to a `PyArrayInterface` structure with the relevant details of the array. After the new array is created, the attribute should be DECREF'd which will free the `PyArrayInterface` structure. Remember to INCREF the object (whose `__array_struct__` attribute was retrieved) and point the base member of the new `PyArrayObject` to this same object. In this way the memory for the array will be managed correctly.

```
typedef struct {
    int two;
    int nd;
    char typekind;
    int itemsize;
    int flags;
    npy_intp *shape;
    npy_intp *strides;
    void *data;
    PyObject *descr;
} PyArrayInterface;
```

int **two**

the integer 2 as a sanity check.

int **nd**

the number of dimensions in the array.

char **typekind**

A character indicating what kind of array is present according to the typestring convention with ‘t’ -> bitfield, ‘b’ -> Boolean, ‘i’ -> signed integer, ‘u’ -> unsigned integer, ‘f’ -> floating point, ‘c’ -> complex floating point, ‘O’ -> object, ‘S’ -> (byte-)string, ‘U’ -> unicode, ‘V’ -> void.

int **itemsize**

The number of bytes each item in the array requires.

int **flags**

Any of the bits `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS` (1), `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS` (2), `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED` (0x100), `NPY_ARRAY_NOTSWAPPED` (0x200), or `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE` (0x400) to indicate something about the data. The `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`, `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS`, and `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS` flags can actually be determined from the other parameters. The flag `NPY_ARR_HAS_DESCR` (0x800) can also be set to indicate to objects consuming the version 3 array interface that the `descr` member of the structure is present (it will be ignored by objects consuming version 2 of the array interface).

`npy_intp *shape`

An array containing the size of the array in each dimension.

`npy_intp *strides`

An array containing the number of bytes to jump to get to the next element in each dimension.

`void *data`

A pointer to the first element of the array.

`PyObject *descr`

A Python object describing the data-type in more detail (same as the `descr` key in `__array_interface__`). This can be NULL if `typekind` and `itemsize` provide enough information. This field is also ignored unless `NPY_ARR_HAS_DESCR` flag is on in `flags`.

## Internally used structures

Internally, the code uses some additional Python objects primarily for memory management. These types are not accessible directly from Python, and are not exposed to the C-API. They are included here only for completeness and assistance in understanding the code.

`type PyUFuncLoopObject`

A loose wrapper for a C-structure that contains the information needed for looping. This is useful if you are trying to understand the ufunc looping code. The `PyUFuncLoopObject` is the associated C-structure. It is defined in the `ufuncobject.h` header.

`type PyUFuncReduceObject`

A loose wrapper for the C-structure that contains the information needed for reduce-like methods of ufuncs. This is useful if you are trying to understand the reduce, accumulate, and reduce-at code. The `PyUFuncReduceObject` is the associated C-structure. It is defined in the `ufuncobject.h` header.

`type PyUFunc_Loop1d`

A simple linked-list of C-structures containing the information needed to define a 1-d loop for a ufunc for every defined signature of a user-defined data-type.

`PyTypeObject PyArrayMapIter_Type`

Advanced indexing is handled with this Python type. It is simply a loose wrapper around the C-structure containing the variables needed for advanced array indexing. The associated C-structure, `PyArrayMapIterObject`, is useful if you are trying to understand the advanced-index mapping code. It is defined in the `arrayobject.h` header. This type is not exposed to Python and could be replaced with a C-structure. As a Python type it takes advantage of reference-counted memory management.

## 11.2 System configuration

When NumPy is built, information about system configuration is recorded, and is made available for extension modules using NumPy's C API. These are mostly defined in `numpyconfig.h` (included in `ndarrayobject.h`). The public symbols are prefixed by `NPY_*`. NumPy also offers some functions for querying information about the platform in use.

For private use, NumPy also constructs a `config.h` in the NumPy include directory, which is not exported by NumPy (that is a python extension which use the numpy C API will not see those symbols), to avoid namespace pollution.

### 11.2.1 Data type sizes

The NPY\_SIZEOF\_{CTYPE} constants are defined so that sizeof information is available to the pre-processor.

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_SHORT

sizeof(short)

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_INT

sizeof(int)

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_LONG

sizeof(long)

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_LONGLONG

sizeof(longlong) where longlong is defined appropriately on the platform.

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_PY\_LONG\_LONG

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_FLOAT

sizeof(float)

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_DOUBLE

sizeof(double)

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_LONG\_DOUBLE

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_LONGDOUBLE

sizeof(longdouble)

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_PY\_INTPTR\_T

#### NPY\_SIZEOF\_INTP

Size of a pointer on this platform (sizeof(void \*))

### 11.2.2 Platform information

#### NPY\_CPU\_X86

#### NPY\_CPU\_AMD64

#### NPY\_CPU\_IA64

#### NPY\_CPU\_PPC

#### NPY\_CPU\_PPC64

#### NPY\_CPU\_SPARC

#### NPY\_CPU\_SPARC64

#### NPY\_CPU\_S390

#### NPY\_CPU\_PARISC

New in version 1.3.0.

CPU architecture of the platform; only one of the above is defined.

Defined in `numpy/npy_cpu.h`

`NPY_LITTLE_ENDIAN``NPY_BIG_ENDIAN``NPY_BYTE_ORDER`

New in version 1.3.0.

Portable alternatives to the `endian.h` macros of GNU Libc. If big endian, `NPY_BYTE_ORDER == NPY_BIG_ENDIAN`, and similarly for little endian architectures.

Defined in `numpy/npy_endian.h`.

`int PyArray_GetEndianness()`

New in version 1.3.0.

Returns the endianness of the current platform. One of `NPY_CPU_BIG`, `NPY_CPU_LITTLE`, or `NPY_CPU_UNKNOWN_ENDIAN`.

`NPY_CPU_BIG``NPY_CPU_LITTLE``NPY_CPU_UNKNOWN_ENDIAN`

### 11.2.3 Compiler directives

`NPY_LIKELY``NPY_UNLIKELY``NPY_UNUSED`

### 11.2.4 Interrupt Handling

`NPY_INTERRUPT_H``NPY_SIGSETJMP``NPY_SIGLONGJMP``NPY_SIGJMP_BUF``NPY_SIGINT_ON``NPY_SIGINT_OFF`

## 11.3 Data Type API

The standard array can have 24 different data types (and has some support for adding your own types). These data types all have an enumerated type, an enumerated type-character, and a corresponding array scalar Python type object (placed in a hierarchy). There are also standard C typedefs to make it easier to manipulate elements of the given data type. For the numeric types, there are also bit-width equivalent C typedefs and named typenumbers that make it easier to select the precision desired.

**Warning:** The names for the types in c code follows c naming conventions more closely. The Python names for these types follow Python conventions. Thus, `NPY_FLOAT` picks up a 32-bit float in C, but `numpy.float_` in Python corresponds to a 64-bit double. The bit-width names can be used in both Python and C for clarity.

### 11.3.1 Enumerated Types

#### enumerator `NPY_TYPES`

There is a list of enumerated types defined providing the basic 24 data types plus some useful generic names. Whenever the code requires a type number, one of these enumerated types is requested. The types are all called `NPY_{NAME}`:

#### enumerator `NPY_BOOL`

The enumeration value for the boolean type, stored as one byte. It may only be set to the values 0 and 1.

#### enumerator `NPY_BYTE`

#### enumerator `NPY_INT8`

The enumeration value for an 8-bit/1-byte signed integer.

#### enumerator `NPY_SHORT`

#### enumerator `NPY_INT16`

The enumeration value for a 16-bit/2-byte signed integer.

#### enumerator `NPY_INT`

#### enumerator `NPY_INT32`

The enumeration value for a 32-bit/4-byte signed integer.

#### enumerator `NPY_LONG`

Equivalent to either `NPY_INT` or `NPY_LONGLONG`, depending on the platform.

#### enumerator `NPY_LONGLONG`

#### enumerator `NPY_INT64`

The enumeration value for a 64-bit/8-byte signed integer.

#### enumerator `NPY_UBYTE`

#### enumerator `NPY_UINT8`

The enumeration value for an 8-bit/1-byte unsigned integer.

#### enumerator `NPY USHORT`

#### enumerator `NPY_UINT16`

The enumeration value for a 16-bit/2-byte unsigned integer.

#### enumerator `NPY_UINT`

#### enumerator `NPY_UINT32`

The enumeration value for a 32-bit/4-byte unsigned integer.

#### enumerator `NPY ULONG`

Equivalent to either `NPY_UINT` or `NPY_ULONGLONG`, depending on the platform.

#### enumerator `NPY_ULONGLONG`

**enumerator NPY\_UINT64**

The enumeration value for a 64-bit/8-byte unsigned integer.

**enumerator NPY\_HALF****enumerator NPY\_FLOAT16**

The enumeration value for a 16-bit/2-byte IEEE 754-2008 compatible floating point type.

**enumerator NPY\_FLOAT****enumerator NPY\_FLOAT32**

The enumeration value for a 32-bit/4-byte IEEE 754 compatible floating point type.

**enumerator NPY\_DOUBLE****enumerator NPY\_FLOAT64**

The enumeration value for a 64-bit/8-byte IEEE 754 compatible floating point type.

**enumerator NPY\_LONGLONG**

The enumeration value for a platform-specific floating point type which is at least as large as NPY\_DOUBLE, but larger on many platforms.

**enumerator NPY\_CFLOAT****enumerator NPY\_COMPLEX64**

The enumeration value for a 64-bit/8-byte complex type made up of two NPY\_FLOAT values.

**enumerator NPY\_CDOUBLE****enumerator NPY\_COMPLEX128**

The enumeration value for a 128-bit/16-byte complex type made up of two NPY\_DOUBLE values.

**enumerator NPY\_CLONGDOUBLE**

The enumeration value for a platform-specific complex floating point type which is made up of two NPY\_LONGLONG values.

**enumerator NPY\_DATETIME**

The enumeration value for a data type which holds dates or datetimes with a precision based on selectable date or time units.

**enumerator NPY\_TIMDELTA**

The enumeration value for a data type which holds lengths of times in integers of selectable date or time units.

**enumerator NPY\_STRING**

The enumeration value for ASCII strings of a selectable size. The strings have a fixed maximum size within a given array.

**enumerator NPY\_UNICODE**

The enumeration value for UCS4 strings of a selectable size. The strings have a fixed maximum size within a given array.

**enumerator NPY\_OBJECT**

The enumeration value for references to arbitrary Python objects.

**enumerator NPY\_VOID**

Primarily used to hold struct dtypes, but can contain arbitrary binary data.

Some useful aliases of the above types are

**enumerator NPY\_INTP**

The enumeration value for a signed integer type which is the same size as a (void \*) pointer. This is the type used by all arrays of indices.

**enumerator NPY\_UINTP**

The enumeration value for an unsigned integer type which is the same size as a (void \*) pointer.

**enumerator NPY\_MASK**

The enumeration value of the type used for masks, such as with the `NPY_ITER_ARRAYMASK` iterator flag. This is equivalent to `NPY_UINT8`.

**enumerator NPY\_DEFAULT\_TYPE**

The default type to use when no dtype is explicitly specified, for example when calling `np.zeros(shape)`. This is equivalent to `NPY_DOUBLE`.

Other useful related constants are

**NPY\_NTYPES**

The total number of built-in NumPy types. The enumeration covers the range from 0 to NPY\_NTYPES-1.

**NPY\_NOTYPE**

A signal value guaranteed not to be a valid type enumeration number.

**NPY\_USERDEF**

The start of type numbers used for Custom Data types.

The various character codes indicating certain types are also part of an enumerated list. References to type characters (should they be needed at all) should always use these enumerations. The form of them is NPY\_{NAME}LTR where {NAME} can be

**BOOL, BYTE, UBYTE, SHORT, USHORT, INT, UINT, LONG, ULONG, LONGLONG, ULONGLONG, HALF, FLOAT, DOUBLE, LONGDOUBLE, CFLOAT, CDOUBLE, CLONGDOUBLE, DATETIME, TIMDELTA, OBJECT, STRING, VOID**

**INTP, UINTP**

**GENBOOL, SIGNED, UNSIGNED, FLOATING, COMPLEX**

The latter group of {NAME}s corresponds to letters used in the array interface typestring specification.

## 11.3.2 Defines

### Max and min values for integers

**NPY\_MAX\_INT{bits}, NPY\_MAX\_UINT{bits}, NPY\_MIN\_INT{bits}**

These are defined for {bits} = 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, and 256 and provide the maximum (minimum) value of the corresponding (unsigned) integer type. Note: the actual integer type may not be available on all platforms (i.e. 128-bit and 256-bit integers are rare).

**NPY\_MIN\_{type}**

This is defined for {type} = **BYTE, SHORT, INT, LONG, LONGLONG, INTP**

**NPY\_MAX\_{type}**

This is defined for all defined for {type} = **BYTE, UBYTE, SHORT, USHORT, INT, UINT, LONG, ULONG, LONGLONG, ULONGLONG, INTP, UINTP**

## Number of bits in data types

All `NPY_SIZEOF_{CTYPE}` constants have corresponding `NPY_BITSOF_{CTYPE}` constants defined. The `NPY_BITSOF_{CTYPE}` constants provide the number of bits in the data type. Specifically, the available `{CTYPE}`s are

`BOOL, CHAR, SHORT, INT, LONG, LONGLONG, FLOAT, DOUBLE, LONGDOUBLE`

## Bit-width references to enumerated typenums

All of the numeric data types (integer, floating point, and complex) have constants that are defined to be a specific enumerated type number. Exactly which enumerated type a bit-width type refers to is platform dependent. In particular, the constants available are `PyArray_{NAME}{BITS}` where `{NAME}` is `INT, UINT, FLOAT, COMPLEX` and `{BITS}` can be 8, 16, 32, 64, 80, 96, 128, 160, 192, 256, and 512. Obviously not all bit-widths are available on all platforms for all the kinds of numeric types. Commonly 8-, 16-, 32-, 64-bit integers; 32-, 64-bit floats; and 64-, 128-bit complex types are available.

## Integer that can hold a pointer

The constants `NPY_INTP` and `NPY_UINTP` refer to an enumerated integer type that is large enough to hold a pointer on the platform. Index arrays should always be converted to `NPY_INTP`, because the dimension of the array is of type `npy_intp`.

### 11.3.3 C-type names

There are standard variable types for each of the numeric data types and the bool data type. Some of these are already available in the C-specification. You can create variables in extension code with these types.

#### Boolean

```
type npy_bool
    unsigned char; The constants NPY_FALSE and NPY_TRUE are also defined.
```

#### (Un)Signed Integer

Unsigned versions of the integers can be defined by pre-pending a ‘u’ to the front of the integer name.

```
type npy_byte
    char

type npy_ubyte
    unsigned char

type npy_short
    short

type npy_ushort
    unsigned short

type npy_int
    int
```

```
type npy_uint
    unsigned int

type npy_int16
    16-bit integer

type npy_uint16
    16-bit unsigned integer

type npy_int32
    32-bit integer

type npy_uint32
    32-bit unsigned integer

type npy_int64
    64-bit integer

type npy_uint64
    64-bit unsigned integer

type npy_long
    long int

type npy_ulong
    unsigned long int

type npy_longlong
    long long int

type npy_ulonglong
    unsigned long long int

type npy_intp
    Py_intptr_t (an integer that is the size of a pointer on the platform).

type npy_uintp
    unsigned Py_intptr_t (an integer that is the size of a pointer on the platform).
```

## (Complex) Floating point

```
type npy_half
    16-bit float

type npy_float
    32-bit float

type npy_cfloat
    32-bit complex float

type npy_double
    64-bit double

type npy_cdouble
    64-bit complex double
```

```

type npy_longdouble
    long double

type npy_clongdouble
    long complex double

complex types are structures with .real and .imag members (in that order).

```

## Bit-width names

There are also typedefs for signed integers, unsigned integers, floating point, and complex floating point types of specific bit-widths. The available type names are

```
npy_int{bits}, npy_uint{bits}, npy_float{bits}, and npy_complex{bits}
```

where {bits} is the number of bits in the type and can be **8**, **16**, **32**, **64**, 128, and 256 for integer types; 16, **32**, **64**, 80, 96, 128, and 256 for floating-point types; and 32, **64**, **128**, 160, 192, and 512 for complex-valued types. Which bit-widths are available is platform dependent. The bolded bit-widths are usually available on all platforms.

### 11.3.4 Printf Formatting

For help in printing, the following strings are defined as the correct format specifier in printf and related commands.

```

NPY_LONGLONG_FMT
NPY_ULONGLONG_FMT
NPY_INTP_FMT
NPY_UINTP_FMT
NPY_LONGDOUBLE_FMT

```

## 11.4 Array API

The test of a first-rate intelligence is the ability to hold two opposed ideas in the mind at the same time, and still retain the ability to function.

— *F. Scott Fitzgerald*

For a successful technology, reality must take precedence over public relations, for Nature cannot be fooled.

— *Richard P. Feynman*

### 11.4.1 Array structure and data access

These macros access the `PyArrayObject` structure members and are defined in `ndarraytypes.h`. The input argument, `arr`, can be any `PyObject*` that is directly interpretable as a `PyArrayObject*` (any instance of the `PyArray_Type` and its sub-types).

`int PyArray_NDIM (PyArrayObject *arr)`

The number of dimensions in the array.

`int PyArray_FLAGS (PyArrayObject *arr)`

Returns an integer representing the `array-flags`.

`int PyArray_TYPE (PyArrayObject *arr)`

Return the (builtin) typenumber for the elements of this array.

`int PyArray_SETITEM (PyArrayObject *arr, void *itemptr, PyObject *obj)`

Convert `obj` and place it in the ndarray, `arr`, at the place pointed to by `itemptr`. Return -1 if an error occurs or 0 on success.

`void PyArray_ENABLEFLAGS (PyArrayObject *arr, int flags)`

New in version 1.7.

Enables the specified array flags. This function does no validation, and assumes that you know what you're doing.

`void PyArray_CLEARFLAGS (PyArrayObject *arr, int flags)`

New in version 1.7.

Clears the specified array flags. This function does no validation, and assumes that you know what you're doing.

`void *PyArray_DATA (PyArrayObject *arr)`

`char *PyArray_BYTES (PyArrayObject *arr)`

These two macros are similar and obtain the pointer to the data-buffer for the array. The first macro can (and should be) assigned to a particular pointer where the second is for generic processing. If you have not guaranteed a contiguous and/or aligned array then be sure you understand how to access the data in the array to avoid memory and/or alignment problems.

`npy_intp *PyArray_DIMS (PyArrayObject *arr)`

Returns a pointer to the dimensions/shape of the array. The number of elements matches the number of dimensions of the array. Can return `NULL` for 0-dimensional arrays.

`npy_intp *PyArray_SHAPE (PyArrayObject *arr)`

New in version 1.7.

A synonym for `PyArray_DIMS`, named to be consistent with the `shape` usage within Python.

`npy_intp *PyArray_STRIDES (PyArrayObject *arr)`

Returns a pointer to the strides of the array. The number of elements matches the number of dimensions of the array.

`npy_intp PyArray_DIM (PyArrayObject *arr, int n)`

Return the shape in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  dimension.

`npy_intp PyArray_STRIDE (PyArrayObject *arr, int n)`

Return the stride in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  dimension.

`npy_intp PyArray_ITEMSIZE (PyArrayObject *arr)`

Return the itemsize for the elements of this array.

Note that, in the old API that was deprecated in version 1.7, this function had the return type `int`.

`npy_intp PyArray_SIZE (PyArrayObject *arr)`

Returns the total size (in number of elements) of the array.

`npy_intp PyArray_Size (PyArrayObject *obj)`

Returns 0 if `obj` is not a sub-class of ndarray. Otherwise, returns the total number of elements in the array. Safer version of `PyArray_SIZE (obj)`.

`npy_intp PyArray_NBYTES (PyArrayObject *arr)`

Returns the total number of bytes consumed by the array.

`PyObject *PyArray_BASE (PyArrayObject *arr)`

This returns the base object of the array. In most cases, this means the object which owns the memory the array is pointing at.

If you are constructing an array using the C API, and specifying your own memory, you should use the function `PyArray_SetBaseObject` to set the base to an object which owns the memory.

If the `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEBACKIFCOPY` flag is set, it has a different meaning, namely base is the array into which the current array will be copied upon copy resolution. This overloading of the base property for two functions is likely to change in a future version of NumPy.

`PyArray_Descr *PyArray_DESCR (PyArrayObject *arr)`

Returns a borrowed reference to the dtype property of the array.

`PyArray_Descr *PyArray_DTYPE (PyArrayObject *arr)`

New in version 1.7.

A synonym for PyArray\_DESCR, named to be consistent with the ‘dtype’ usage within Python.

`PyObject *PyArray_GETITEM (PyArrayObject *arr, void *itemptr)`

Get a Python object of a builtin type from the ndarray, `arr`, at the location pointed to by `itemptr`. Return NULL on failure.

`numpy.ndarray.item` is identical to PyArray\_GETITEM.

`int PyArray_FinalizeFunc (PyArrayObject *arr, PyObject *obj)`

The function pointed to by the CObject `__array_finalize__`. The first argument is the newly created subtype. The second argument (if not NULL) is the “parent” array (if the array was created using slicing or some other operation where a clearly-distinguishable parent is present). This routine can do anything it wants to. It should return a -1 on error and 0 otherwise.

## Data access

These functions and macros provide easy access to elements of the ndarray from C. These work for all arrays. You may need to take care when accessing the data in the array, however, if it is not in machine byte-order, misaligned, or not writeable. In other words, be sure to respect the state of the flags unless you know what you are doing, or have previously guaranteed an array that is writeable, aligned, and in machine byte-order using `PyArray_FromAny`. If you wish to handle all types of arrays, the copyswap function for each type is useful for handling misbehaved arrays. Some platforms (e.g. Solaris) do not like misaligned data and will crash if you de-reference a misaligned pointer. Other platforms (e.g. x86 Linux) will just work more slowly with misaligned data.

`void *PyArray_GetPtr (PyArrayObject *aobj, npy_intp *ind)`

Return a pointer to the data of the ndarray, `aobj`, at the N-dimensional index given by the c-array, `ind`, (which must be at least `aobj->nd` in size). You may want to typecast the returned pointer to the data type of the ndarray.

`void *PyArray_GETPTR1 (PyArrayObject *obj, npy_intp i)`

```
void *PyArray_GETPTR2 (PyArrayObject *obj, npy_intp i, npy_intp j)
void *PyArray_GETPTR3 (PyArrayObject *obj, npy_intp i, npy_intp j, npy_intp k)
void *PyArray_GETPTR4 (PyArrayObject *obj, npy_intp i, npy_intp j, npy_intp k, npy_intp l)
```

Quick, inline access to the element at the given coordinates in the ndarray, *obj*, which must have respectively 1, 2, 3, or 4 dimensions (this is not checked). The corresponding *i*, *j*, *k*, and *l* coordinates can be any integer but will be interpreted as npy\_intp. You may want to typecast the returned pointer to the data type of the ndarray.

## 11.4.2 Creating arrays

### From scratch

```
PyObject *PyArray_NewFromDescr (PyTypeObject *subtype, PyArray_Descr *descr, int nd, npy_intp const
                                *dims, npy_intp const *strides, void *data, int flags, PyObject *obj)
```

This function steals a reference to *descr*. The easiest way to get one is using *PyArray\_DescrFromType*.

This is the main array creation function. Most new arrays are created with this flexible function.

The returned object is an object of Python-type *subtype*, which must be a subtype of *PyArray\_Type*. The array has *nd* dimensions, described by *dims*. The data-type descriptor of the new array is *descr*.

If *subtype* is of an array subclass instead of the base &*PyArray\_Type*, then *obj* is the object to pass to the *\_\_array\_finalize\_\_* method of the subclass.

If *data* is NULL, then new unitinialized memory will be allocated and *flags* can be non-zero to indicate a Fortran-style contiguous array. Use *PyArray\_FILLWBYTE* to initialize the memory.

If *data* is not NULL, then it is assumed to point to the memory to be used for the array and the *flags* argument is used as the new flags for the array (except the state of *NPY\_ARRAY\_OWNDATA*, *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY* flag of the new array will be reset).

In addition, if *data* is non-NUL, then *strides* can also be provided. If *strides* is NULL, then the array strides are computed as C-style contiguous (default) or Fortran-style contiguous (*flags* is nonzero for *data* = NULL or *flags* & *NPY\_ARRAY\_F\_CONTIGUOUS* is nonzero non-NUL *data*). Any provided *dims* and *strides* are copied into newly allocated dimension and strides arrays for the new array object.

*PyArray\_CheckStrides* can help verify non-NULL stride information.

If *data* is provided, it must stay alive for the life of the array. One way to manage this is through *PyArray\_SetBaseObject*

```
PyObject *PyArray_NewLikeArray (PyArrayObject *prototype, NPY_ORDER order, PyArray_Descr *descr, int
                               subok)
```

New in version 1.6.

This function steals a reference to *descr* if it is not NULL. This array creation routine allows for the convenient creation of a new array matching an existing array's shapes and memory layout, possibly changing the layout and/or data type.

When *order* is *NPY\_ANYORDER*, the result order is *NPY\_FORTRANORDER* if *prototype* is a fortran array, *NPY\_CORDER* otherwise. When *order* is *NPY\_KEEPORDER*, the result order matches that of *prototype*, even when the axes of *prototype* aren't in C or Fortran order.

If *descr* is NULL, the data type of *prototype* is used.

If *subok* is 1, the newly created array will use the sub-type of *prototype* to create the new array, otherwise it will create a base-class array.

`PyObject *PyArray_New`(`PyTypeObject *subtype`, `int nd`, `npy_intp const *dims`, `int type_num`, `npy_intp const *strides`, `void *data`, `int itemsize`, `int flags`, `PyObject *obj`)

This is similar to `PyArray_NewFromDescr`(...) except you specify the data-type descriptor with `type_num` and `itemsize`, where `type_num` corresponds to a builtin (or user-defined) type. If the type always has the same number of bytes, then `itemsize` is ignored. Otherwise, `itemsize` specifies the particular size of this array.

**Warning:** If data is passed to `PyArray_NewFromDescr` or `PyArray_New`, this memory must not be deallocated until the new array is deleted. If this data came from another Python object, this can be accomplished using `Py_INCREF` on that object and setting the base member of the new array to point to that object. If strides are passed in they must be consistent with the dimensions, the `itemsize`, and the data of the array.

`PyObject *PyArray_SimpleNew`(`int nd`, `npy_intp const *dims`, `int typenum`)

Create a new uninitialized array of type, `typenum`, whose size in each of `nd` dimensions is given by the integer array, `dims`. The memory for the array is uninitialized (unless `typenum` is `NPY_OBJECT` in which case each element in the array is set to NULL). The `typenum` argument allows specification of any of the builtin data-types such as `NPY_FLOAT` or `NPY_LONG`. The memory for the array can be set to zero if desired using `PyArray_FILLWBYTE`(`return_object`, 0). This function cannot be used to create a flexible-type array (no `itemsize` given).

`PyObject *PyArray_SimpleNewFromData`(`int nd`, `npy_intp const *dims`, `int typenum`, `void *data`)

Create an array wrapper around `data` pointed to by the given pointer. The array flags will have a default that the data area is well-behaved and C-style contiguous. The shape of the array is given by the `dims` c-array of length `nd`. The data-type of the array is indicated by `typenum`. If data comes from another reference-counted Python object, the reference count on this object should be increased after the pointer is passed in, and the base member of the returned ndarray should point to the Python object that owns the data. This will ensure that the provided memory is not freed while the returned array is in existence.

`PyObject *PyArray_SimpleNewFromDescr`(`int nd`, `npy_intp const *dims`, `PyArray_Descr *descr`)

This function steals a reference to `descr`.

Create a new array with the provided data-type descriptor, `descr`, of the shape determined by `nd` and `dims`.

`void PyArray_FILLWBYTE`(`PyObject *obj`, `int val`)

Fill the array pointed to by `obj`—which must be a (subclass of) ndarray—with the contents of `val` (evaluated as a byte). This macro calls `memset`, so `obj` must be contiguous.

`PyObject *PyArray_Zeros`(`int nd`, `npy_intp const *dims`, `PyArray_Descr *dtype`, `int fortran`)

Construct a new `nd`-dimensional array with shape given by `dims` and data type given by `dtype`. If `fortran` is non-zero, then a Fortran-order array is created, otherwise a C-order array is created. Fill the memory with zeros (or the 0 object if `dtype` corresponds to `NPY_OBJECT`).

`PyObject *PyArray_ZEROS`(`int nd`, `npy_intp const *dims`, `int type_num`, `int fortran`)

Macro form of `PyArray_Zeros` which takes a type-number instead of a data-type object.

`PyObject *PyArray_Empty`(`int nd`, `npy_intp const *dims`, `PyArray_Descr *dtype`, `int fortran`)

Construct a new `nd`-dimensional array with shape given by `dims` and data type given by `dtype`. If `fortran` is non-zero, then a Fortran-order array is created, otherwise a C-order array is created. The array is uninitialized unless the data type corresponds to `NPY_OBJECT` in which case the array is filled with `Py_None`.

`PyObject *PyArray_EMPTY`(`int nd`, `npy_intp const *dims`, `int typenum`, `int fortran`)

Macro form of `PyArray_Empy` which takes a type-number, `typenum`, instead of a data-type object.

`PyObject *PyArray_Arange`(`double start`, `double stop`, `double step`, `int typenum`)

Construct a new 1-dimensional array of data-type, `typenum`, that ranges from `start` to `stop` (exclusive) in increments of `step`. Equivalent to `arange`(`start`, `stop`, `step`, `dtype`).

`PyObject *PyArray_ArangeObj (PyObject *start, PyObject *stop, PyObject *step, PyArray_Descr *descr)`

Construct a new 1-dimensional array of data-type determined by `descr`, that ranges from `start` to `stop` (exclusive) in increments of `step`. Equivalent to `arange( start, stop, step, typenum )`.

`int PyArray_SetBaseObject (PyArrayObject *arr, PyObject *obj)`

New in version 1.7.

This function **steals a reference** to `obj` and sets it as the `base` property of `arr`.

If you construct an array by passing in your own memory buffer as a parameter, you need to set the array's `base` property to ensure the lifetime of the memory buffer is appropriate.

The return value is 0 on success, -1 on failure.

If the object provided is an array, this function traverses the chain of `base` pointers so that each array points to the owner of the memory directly. Once the base is set, it may not be changed to another value.

## From other objects

`PyObject *PyArray_FromAny (PyObject *op, PyArray_Descr *dtype, int min_depth, int max_depth, int requirements, PyObject *context)`

This is the main function used to obtain an array from any nested sequence, or object that exposes the array interface, `op`. The parameters allow specification of the required `dtype`, the minimum (`min_depth`) and maximum (`max_depth`) number of dimensions acceptable, and other `requirements` for the array. This function **steals a reference** to the `dtype` argument, which needs to be a `PyArray_Descr` structure indicating the desired data-type (including required byteorder). The `dtype` argument may be NULL, indicating that any data-type (and byteorder) is acceptable. Unless `NPY_ARRAY_FORCECAST` is present in `flags`, this call will generate an error if the data type cannot be safely obtained from the object. If you want to use NULL for the `dtype` and ensure the array is notswapped then use `PyArray_CheckFromAny`. A value of 0 for either of the depth parameters causes the parameter to be ignored. Any of the following array flags can be added (e.g. using !) to get the `requirements` argument. If your code can handle general (e.g. strided, byte-swapped, or unaligned arrays) then `requirements` may be 0. Also, if `op` is not already an array (or does not expose the array interface), then a new array will be created (and filled from `op` using the sequence protocol). The new array will have `NPY_ARRAY_DEFAULT` as its `flags` member. The `context` argument is unused.

### `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS`

Make sure the returned array is C-style contiguous

### `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS`

Make sure the returned array is Fortran-style contiguous.

### `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`

Make sure the returned array is aligned on proper boundaries for its data type. An aligned array has the data pointer and every strides factor as a multiple of the alignment factor for the data-type- descriptor.

### `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE`

Make sure the returned array can be written to.

### `NPY_ARRAY_ENSURECOPY`

Make sure a copy is made of `op`. If this flag is not present, data is not copied if it can be avoided.

### `NPY_ARRAY_ENSUREARRAY`

Make sure the result is a base-class ndarray. By default, if `op` is an instance of a subclass of ndarray, an instance of that same subclass is returned. If this flag is set, an ndarray object will be returned instead.

**NPY\_ARRAY\_FORCECAST**

Force a cast to the output type even if it cannot be done safely. Without this flag, a data cast will occur only if it can be done safely, otherwise an error is raised.

**NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY**

If *op* is already an array, but does not satisfy the requirements, then a copy is made (which will satisfy the requirements). If this flag is present and a copy (of an object that is already an array) must be made, then the corresponding *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY* flag is set in the returned copy and *op* is made to be read-only. You must be sure to call *PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy* to copy the contents back into *op* and the *op* array will be made writeable again. If *op* is not writeable to begin with, or if it is not already an array, then an error is raised.

**NPY\_ARRAY\_BEHAVED**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_CARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_C\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_BEHAVED*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_CARRAY\_RO**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_C\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_FARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_F\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_BEHAVED*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_FARRAY\_RO**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_F\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_DEFAULT**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_CARRAY*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_IN\_ARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_C\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_IN\_FARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_F\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED*

**NPY\_OUT\_ARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_C\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_OUT\_ARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_C\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_OUT\_FARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_F\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_INOUT\_ARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_C\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED* |  
*NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY*

**NPY\_ARRAY\_INOUT\_FARRAY**

*NPY\_ARRAY\_F\_CONTIGUOUS* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE* | *NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED* |  
*NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY*

```
int PyArray_GetArrayParamsFromObject (PyObject *op, PyArray_Descr *requested_dtype, npy_bool
writeable, PyArray_Descr **out_dtype, int *out_ndim, npy_intp
*out_dims, PyArrayObject **out_arr, PyObject *context)
```

Deprecated since version NumPy: 1.19

Unless NumPy is made aware of an issue with this, this function is scheduled for rapid removal without replacement.

Changed in version NumPy: 1.19

*context* is never used. Its use results in an error.

New in version 1.6.

`PyObject *PyArray_CheckFromAny (PyObject *op, PyArray_Descr *dtype, int min_depth, int max_depth, int requirements, PyObject *context)`

Nearly identical to `PyArray_FromAny` (...) except *requirements* can contain `NPY_ARRAY_NOTSWAPPED` (over-riding the specification in *dtype*) and `NPY_ARRAY_ELEMENTSTRIDES` which indicates that the array should be aligned in the sense that the strides are multiples of the element size.

In versions 1.6 and earlier of NumPy, the following flags did not have the `_ARRAY_` macro namespace in them. That form of the constant names is deprecated in 1.7.

#### `NPY_ARRAY_NOTSWAPPED`

Make sure the returned array has a data-type descriptor that is in machine byte-order, over-riding any specification in the *dtype* argument. Normally, the byte-order requirement is determined by the *dtype* argument. If this flag is set and the *dtype* argument does not indicate a machine byte-order descriptor (or is NULL and the object is already an array with a data-type descriptor that is not in machine byte-order), then a new data-type descriptor is created and used with its byte-order field set to native.

#### `NPY_ARRAY_BEHAVED_NS`

`NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED | NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE | NPY_ARRAY_NOTSWAPPED`

#### `NPY_ARRAY_ELEMENTSTRIDES`

Make sure the returned array has strides that are multiples of the element size.

`PyObject *PyArray_FromArray (PyArrayObject *op, PyArray_Descr *newtype, int requirements)`

Special case of `PyArray_FromAny` for when *op* is already an array but it needs to be of a specific *newtype* (including byte-order) or has certain *requirements*.

`PyObject *PyArray_FromStructInterface (PyObject *op)`

Returns an ndarray object from a Python object that exposes the `__array_struct__` attribute and follows the array interface protocol. If the object does not contain this attribute then a borrowed reference to `Py_NotImplemented` is returned.

`PyObject *PyArray_FromInterface (PyObject *op)`

Returns an ndarray object from a Python object that exposes the `__array_interface__` attribute following the array interface protocol. If the object does not contain this attribute then a borrowed reference to `Py_NotImplemented` is returned.

`PyObject *PyArrayFromArrayAttr (PyObject *op, PyArray_Descr *dtype, PyObject *context)`

Return an ndarray object from a Python object that exposes the `__array__` method. The `__array__` method can take 0, or 1 argument ([*dtype*]). *context* is unused.

`PyObject *PyArray_ContiguousFromAny (PyObject *op, int typenum, int min_depth, int max_depth)`

This function returns a (C-style) contiguous and behaved function array from any nested sequence or array interface exporting object, *op*, of (non-flexible) type given by the enumerated *typenum*, of minimum depth *min\_depth*, and of maximum depth *max\_depth*. Equivalent to a call to `PyArray_FromAny` with requirements set to `NPY_ARRAY_DEFAULT` and the *type\_num* member of the *type* argument set to *typenum*.

`PyObject *PyArray_ContiguousFromObject` (`PyObject *op`, `int typenum`, `int min_depth`, `int max_depth`)

This function returns a well-behaved C-style contiguous array from any nested sequence or array-interface exporting object. The minimum number of dimensions the array can have is given by `min_depth` while the maximum is `max_depth`. This is equivalent to call `PyArray_FromAny` with requirements `NPY_ARRAY_DEFAULT` and `NPY_ARRAY_ENSUREARRAY`.

`PyObject *PyArray_FromObject` (`PyObject *op`, `int typenum`, `int min_depth`, `int max_depth`)

Return an aligned and in native-byteorder array from any nested sequence or array-interface exporting object, `op`, of a type given by the enumerated `typenum`. The minimum number of dimensions the array can have is given by `min_depth` while the maximum is `max_depth`. This is equivalent to a call to `PyArray_FromAny` with requirements set to BEHAVED.

`PyObject *PyArray_EnsureArray` (`PyObject *op`)

This function **steals a reference** to `op` and makes sure that `op` is a base-class ndarray. It special cases array scalars, but otherwise calls `PyArray_FromAny` (`op`, `NULL`, `0`, `0`, `NPY_ARRAY_ENSUREARRAY`, `NULL`).

`PyObject *PyArray_FromString` (`char *string`, `npy_intp` `slen`, `PyArray_Descr` \*`dtype`, `npy_intp` `num`, `char *sep`)

Construct a one-dimensional ndarray of a single type from a binary or (ASCII) text string of length `slen`. The data-type of the array to-be-created is given by `dtype`. If `num` is -1, then **copy** the entire string and return an appropriately sized array, otherwise, `num` is the number of items to **copy** from the string. If `sep` is `NULL` (or “”), then interpret the string as bytes of binary data, otherwise convert the sub-strings separated by `sep` to items of data-type `dtype`. Some data-types may not be readable in text mode and an error will be raised if that occurs. All errors return `NULL`.

`PyObject *PyArray_FromFile` (`FILE *fp`, `PyArray_Descr` \*`dtype`, `npy_intp` `num`, `char *sep`)

Construct a one-dimensional ndarray of a single type from a binary or text file. The open file pointer is `fp`, the data-type of the array to be created is given by `dtype`. This must match the data in the file. If `num` is -1, then read until the end of the file and return an appropriately sized array, otherwise, `num` is the number of items to read. If `sep` is `NULL` (or “”), then read from the file in binary mode, otherwise read from the file in text mode with `sep` providing the item separator. Some array types cannot be read in text mode in which case an error is raised.

`PyObject *PyArray_FromBuffer` (`PyObject *buf`, `PyArray_Descr` \*`dtype`, `npy_intp` `count`, `npy_intp` `offset`)

Construct a one-dimensional ndarray of a single type from an object, `buf`, that exports the (single-segment) buffer protocol (or has an attribute `__buffer__` that returns an object that exports the buffer protocol). A writeable buffer will be tried first followed by a read-only buffer. The `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE` flag of the returned array will reflect which one was successful. The data is assumed to start at `offset` bytes from the start of the memory location for the object. The type of the data in the buffer will be interpreted depending on the data-type descriptor, `dtype`. If `count` is negative then it will be determined from the size of the buffer and the requested itemsize, otherwise, `count` represents how many elements should be converted from the buffer.

`int PyArray_CopyInto` (`PyArrayObject *dest`, `PyArrayObject *src`)

Copy from the source array, `src`, into the destination array, `dest`, performing a data-type conversion if necessary. If an error occurs return -1 (otherwise 0). The shape of `src` must be broadcastable to the shape of `dest`. The data areas of `dest` and `src` must not overlap.

`int PyArray_CopyObject` (`PyArrayObject *dest`, `PyObject *src`)

Assign an object `src` to a NumPy array `dest` according to array-coercion rules. This is basically identical to `PyArray_FromAny`, but assigns directly to the output array. Returns 0 on success and -1 on failures.

`int PyArray_MoveInto` (`PyArrayObject *dest`, `PyArrayObject *src`)

Move data from the source array, `src`, into the destination array, `dest`, performing a data-type conversion if necessary. If an error occurs return -1 (otherwise 0). The shape of `src` must be broadcastable to the shape of `dest`. The data areas of `dest` and `src` may overlap.

`PyArrayObject *PyArray_GETCONTIGUOUS` (`PyObject *op`)

If `op` is already (C-style) contiguous and well-behaved then just return a reference, otherwise return a (contiguous

and well-behaved) copy of the array. The parameter `op` must be a (sub-class of an) ndarray and no checking for that is done.

`PyObject *PyArray_FROM_O (PyObject *obj)`

Convert `obj` to an ndarray. The argument can be any nested sequence or object that exports the array interface. This is a macro form of `PyArray_FromAny` using `NULL`, `0`, `0`, `0` for the other arguments. Your code must be able to handle any data-type descriptor and any combination of data-flags to use this macro.

`PyObject *PyArray_FROM_OF (PyObject *obj, int requirements)`

Similar to `PyArray_FROM_O` except it can take an argument of `requirements` indicating properties the resulting array must have. Available requirements that can be enforced are `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS`, `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS`, `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`, `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE`, `NPY_ARRAY_NOTSWAPPED`, `NPY_ARRAY_ENSURECOPY`, `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEBACKIFCOPY`, `NPY_ARRAY_FORCECAST`, and `NPY_ARRAY_ENSUREARRAY`. Standard combinations of flags can also be used:

`PyObject *PyArray_FROM_OT (PyObject *obj, int typenum)`

Similar to `PyArray_FROM_O` except it can take an argument of `typenum` specifying the type-number the returned array.

`PyObject *PyArray_FROM_OTF (PyObject *obj, int typenum, int requirements)`

Combination of `PyArray_FROM_OF` and `PyArray_FROM_OT` allowing both a `typenum` and a `flags` argument to be provided.

`PyObject *PyArray_FROMANY (PyObject *obj, int typenum, int min, int max, int requirements)`

Similar to `PyArray_FromAny` except the data-type is specified using a typenumber. `PyArray_DescrFromType (typenum)` is passed directly to `PyArray_FromAny`. This macro also adds `NPY_ARRAY_DEFAULT` to requirements if `NPY_ARRAY_ENSURECOPY` is passed in as requirements.

`PyObject *PyArray_CheckAxis (PyObject *obj, int *axis, int requirements)`

Encapsulate the functionality of functions and methods that take the `axis=` keyword and work properly with `None` as the axis argument. The input array is `obj`, while `*axis` is a converted integer (so that `>=MAXDIMS` is the `None` value), and `requirements` gives the needed properties of `obj`. The output is a converted version of the input so that requirements are met and if needed a flattening has occurred. On output negative values of `*axis` are converted and the new value is checked to ensure consistency with the shape of `obj`.

### 11.4.3 Dealing with types

#### General check of Python Type

`int PyArray_Check (PyObject *op)`

Evaluates true if `op` is a Python object whose type is a sub-type of `PyArray_Type`.

`int PyArray_CheckExact (PyObject *op)`

Evaluates true if `op` is a Python object with type `PyArray_Type`.

`int PyArray_HasArrayInterface (PyObject *op, PyObject *out)`

If `op` implements any part of the array interface, then `out` will contain a new reference to the newly created ndarray using the interface or `out` will contain `NULL` if an error during conversion occurs. Otherwise, `out` will contain a borrowed reference to `Py_NotImplemented` and no error condition is set.

`int PyArray_HasArrayInterfaceType (PyObject *op, PyArray_Descr *dtype, PyObject *context, PyObject *out)`

If `op` implements any part of the array interface, then `out` will contain a new reference to the newly created ndarray using the interface or `out` will contain `NULL` if an error during conversion occurs. Otherwise, `out` will contain a

borrowed reference to `Py_NotImplemented` and no error condition is set. This version allows setting of the `dtype` in the part of the array interface that looks for the `__array__` attribute. `context` is unused.

```
int PyArray_IsZeroDim (PyObject *op)
```

Evaluates true if `op` is an instance of (a subclass of) `PyArray_Type` and has 0 dimensions.

```
PyArray_IsScalar (op, cls)
```

Evaluates true if `op` is an instance of `Py{cls}ArrType_Type`.

```
int PyArray_CheckScalar (PyObject *op)
```

Evaluates true if `op` is either an array scalar (an instance of a sub-type of `PyGenericArr_Type`), or an instance of (a sub-class of) `PyArray_Type` whose dimensionality is 0.

```
int PyArray_IsPythonNumber (PyObject *op)
```

Evaluates true if `op` is an instance of a builtin numeric type (int, float, complex, long, bool)

```
int PyArray_IsPythonScalar (PyObject *op)
```

Evaluates true if `op` is a builtin Python scalar object (int, float, complex, bytes, str, long, bool).

```
int PyArray_IsAnyScalar (PyObject *op)
```

Evaluates true if `op` is either a Python scalar object (see `PyArray_IsPythonScalar`) or an array scalar (an instance of a sub-type of `PyGenericArr_Type`).

```
int PyArray_CheckAnyScalar (PyObject *op)
```

Evaluates true if `op` is a Python scalar object (see `PyArray_IsPythonScalar`), an array scalar (an instance of a sub-type of `PyGenericArr_Type`) or an instance of a sub-type of `PyArray_Type` whose dimensionality is 0.

## Data-type checking

For the typenum macros, the argument is an integer representing an enumerated array data type. For the array type checking macros the argument must be a `PyObject*` that can be directly interpreted as a `PyArrayObject*`.

```
int PyTypeNum_ISUNSIGNED (int num)
```

```
int PyDataType_ISUNSIGNED (PyArray_Descr *descr)
```

```
int PyArray_ISUNSIGNED (PyArrayObject *obj)
```

Type represents an unsigned integer.

```
int PyTypeNum_ISSIGNED (int num)
```

```
int PyDataType_ISSIGNED (PyArray_Descr *descr)
```

```
int PyArray_ISSIGNED (PyArrayObject *obj)
```

Type represents a signed integer.

```
int PyTypeNum_ISINTEGER (int num)
```

```
int PyDataType_ISINTEGER (PyArray_Descr *descr)
```

```
int PyArray_ISINTEGER (PyArrayObject *obj)
```

Type represents any integer.

```
int PyTypeNum_ISFLOAT (int num)
```

```
int PyDataType_ISFLOAT (PyArray_Descr *descr)
```

int **PyArray\_ISFLOAT** (*PyArrayObject* \*obj)

Type represents any floating point number.

int **PyTypeNum\_ISCOMPLEX** (int num)

int **PyDataType\_ISCOMPLEX** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*descr)

int **PyArray\_ISCOMPLEX** (*PyArrayObject* \*obj)

Type represents any complex floating point number.

int **PyTypeNum\_ISNUMBER** (int num)

int **PyDataType\_ISNUMBER** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*descr)

int **PyArray\_ISNUMBER** (*PyArrayObject* \*obj)

Type represents any integer, floating point, or complex floating point number.

int **PyTypeNum\_ISSTRING** (int num)

int **PyDataType\_ISSTRING** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*descr)

int **PyArray\_ISSTRING** (*PyArrayObject* \*obj)

Type represents a string data type.

int **PyTypeNum\_ISPYTHON** (int num)

int **PyDataType\_ISPYTHON** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*descr)

int **PyArray\_ISPYTHON** (*PyArrayObject* \*obj)

Type represents an enumerated type corresponding to one of the standard Python scalar (bool, int, float, or complex).

int **PyTypeNum\_ISFLEXIBLE** (int num)

int **PyDataType\_ISFLEXIBLE** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*descr)

int **PyArray\_ISFLEXIBLE** (*PyArrayObject* \*obj)

Type represents one of the flexible array types ( *NPY\_STRING*, *NPY\_UNICODE*, or *NPY\_VOID* ).

int **PyDataType\_ISUNSIZED** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*descr)

Type has no size information attached, and can be resized. Should only be called on flexible dtypes. Types that are attached to an array will always be sized, hence the array form of this macro not existing.

Changed in version 1.18.

For structured datatypes with no fields this function now returns False.

int **PyTypeNum\_ISUSERDEF** (int num)

int **PyDataType\_ISUSERDEF** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*descr)

int **PyArray\_ISUSERDEF** (*PyArrayObject* \*obj)

Type represents a user-defined type.

int **PyTypeNum\_ISEXTEDDED** (int num)

int **PyDataType\_ISEXTEDDED** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*descr)

int **PyArray\_ISEXTEDDED** (*PyArrayObject* \*obj)

Type is either flexible or user-defined.

```

int PyTypeNum_ISOBJECT (int num)

int PyDataType_ISOBJECT (PyArray_Descr *descr)

int PyArray_ISOBJECT (PyArrayObject *obj)
    Type represents object data type.

int PyTypeNum_ISBOOL (int num)

int PyDataType_ISBOOL (PyArray_Descr *descr)

int PyArray_ISBOOL (PyArrayObject *obj)
    Type represents Boolean data type.

int PyDataType_HASFIELDS (PyArray_Descr *descr)

int PyArray_HASFIELDS (PyArrayObject *obj)
    Type has fields associated with it.

int PyArray_ISNOTSWAPPED (PyArrayObject *m)
    Evaluates true if the data area of the ndarray m is in machine byte-order according to the array's data-type descriptor.

int PyArray_ISBYTESWAPPED (PyArrayObject *m)
    Evaluates true if the data area of the ndarray m is not in machine byte-order according to the array's data-type descriptor.

npy_bool PyArray_EquivTypes (PyArray_Descr *type1, PyArray_Descr *type2)
    Return NPY_TRUE if type1 and type2 actually represent equivalent types for this platform (the fortran member of each type is ignored). For example, on 32-bit platforms, NPY_LONG and NPY_INT are equivalent. Otherwise return NPY_FALSE.

npy_bool PyArray_EquivArrTypes (PyArrayObject *a1, PyArrayObject *a2)
    Return NPY_TRUE if a1 and a2 are arrays with equivalent types for this platform.

npy_bool PyArray_EquivTypenums (int typenum1, int typenum2)
    Special case of PyArray_EquivTypes (...) that does not accept flexible data types but may be easier to call.

int PyArray_EquivByteorders (int b1, int b2)
    True if byteorder characters b1 and b2 (NPY_LITTLE, NPY_BIG, NPY_NATIVE, NPY_IGNORE) are either equal or equivalent as to their specification of a native byte order. Thus, on a little-endian machine NPY_LITTLE and NPY_NATIVE are equivalent where they are not equivalent on a big-endian machine.

```

## Converting data types

```

PyObject *PyArray_Cast (PyArrayObject *arr, int typenum)
    Mainly for backwards compatibility to the Numeric C-API and for simple casts to non-flexible types. Return a new array object with the elements of arr cast to the data-type typenum which must be one of the enumerated types and not a flexible type.

PyObject *PyArray_CastToType (PyArrayObject *arr, PyArray_Descr *type, int fortran)
    Return a new array of the type specified, casting the elements of arr as appropriate. The fortran argument specifies the ordering of the output array.

```

```
int PyArray_CastTo (PyArrayObject *out, PyArrayObject *in)
```

As of 1.6, this function simply calls [PyArray\\_CopyInto](#), which handles the casting.

Cast the elements of the array *in* into the array *out*. The output array should be writeable, have an integer-multiple of the number of elements in the input array (more than one copy can be placed in *out*), and have a data type that is one of the builtin types. Returns 0 on success and -1 if an error occurs.

```
PyArray_VectorUnaryFunc *PyArray_GetCastFunc (PyArray_Descr *from, int totype)
```

Return the low-level casting function to cast from the given descriptor to the builtin type number. If no casting function exists return NULL and set an error. Using this function instead of direct access to *from* ->f->cast will allow support of any user-defined casting functions added to a descriptors casting dictionary.

```
int PyArray_CanCastSafely (int fromtype, int totype)
```

Returns non-zero if an array of data type *fromtype* can be cast to an array of data type *totype* without losing information. An exception is that 64-bit integers are allowed to be cast to 64-bit floating point values even though this can lose precision on large integers so as not to proliferate the use of long doubles without explicit requests. Flexible array types are not checked according to their lengths with this function.

```
int PyArray_CanCastTo (PyArray_Descr *fromtype, PyArray_Descr *totype)
```

[PyArray\\_CanCastTypeTo](#) supersedes this function in NumPy 1.6 and later.

Equivalent to [PyArray\\_CanCastTypeTo](#)(fromtype, totype, NPY\_SAFE\_CASTING).

```
int PyArray_CanCastTypeTo (PyArray_Descr *fromtype, PyArray_Descr *totype, NPY_CASTING casting)
```

New in version 1.6.

Returns non-zero if an array of data type *fromtype* (which can include flexible types) can be cast safely to an array of data type *totype* (which can include flexible types) according to the casting rule *casting*. For simple types with NPY\_SAFE\_CASTING, this is basically a wrapper around [PyArray\\_CanCastSafely](#), but for flexible types such as strings or unicode, it produces results taking into account their sizes. Integer and float types can only be cast to a string or unicode type using NPY\_SAFE\_CASTING if the string or unicode type is big enough to hold the max value of the integer/float type being cast from.

```
int PyArray_CanCastArrayTo (PyArrayObject *arr, PyArray_Descr *totype, NPY_CASTING casting)
```

New in version 1.6.

Returns non-zero if *arr* can be cast to *totype* according to the casting rule given in *casting*. If *arr* is an array scalar, its value is taken into account, and non-zero is also returned when the value will not overflow or be truncated to an integer when converting to a smaller type.

This is almost the same as the result of [PyArray\\_CanCastTypeTo](#)([PyArray\\_MinScalarType](#)(*arr*), *totype*, *casting*), but it also handles a special case arising because the set of uint values is not a subset of the int values for types with the same number of bits.

```
PyArray_Descr *PyArray_MinScalarType (PyArrayObject *arr)
```

New in version 1.6.

If *arr* is an array, returns its data type descriptor, but if *arr* is an array scalar (has 0 dimensions), it finds the data type of smallest size to which the value may be converted without overflow or truncation to an integer.

This function will not demote complex to float or anything to boolean, but will demote a signed integer to an unsigned integer when the scalar value is positive.

```
PyArray_Descr *PyArray_PromoteTypes (PyArray_Descr *type1, PyArray_Descr *type2)
```

New in version 1.6.

Finds the data type of smallest size and kind to which *type1* and *type2* may be safely converted. This function is symmetric and associative. A string or unicode result will be the proper size for storing the max value of the input types converted to a string or unicode.

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`PyArray_Descr *PyArray_ResultType (npy_intp narrs, PyArrayObject **arrs, npy_intp ndtypes, PyArray_Descr **dtypes)`

New in version 1.6.

This applies type promotion to all the inputs, using the NumPy rules for combining scalars and arrays, to determine the output type of a set of operands. This is the same result type that ufuncs produce. The specific algorithm used is as follows.

Categories are determined by first checking which of boolean, integer (int/uint), or floating point (float/complex) the maximum kind of all the arrays and the scalars are.

If there are only scalars or the maximum category of the scalars is higher than the maximum category of the arrays, the data types are combined with `PyArray_PromoteTypes` to produce the return value.

Otherwise, `PyArray_MinScalarType` is called on each array, and the resulting data types are all combined with `PyArray_PromoteTypes` to produce the return value.

The set of int values is not a subset of the uint values for types with the same number of bits, something not reflected in `PyArray_MinScalarType`, but handled as a special case in `PyArray_ResultType`.

`int PyArray_ObjectType (PyObject *op, int mintype)`

This function is superseded by `PyArray_MinScalarType` and/or `PyArray_ResultType`.

This function is useful for determining a common type that two or more arrays can be converted to. It only works for non-flexible array types as no itemsize information is passed. The `mintype` argument represents the minimum type acceptable, and `op` represents the object that will be converted to an array. The return value is the enumerated typenumber that represents the data-type that `op` should have.

`void PyArray_ArrayType (PyObject *op, PyArray_Descr *mintype, PyArray_Descr *outtype)`

This function is superseded by `PyArray_ResultType`.

This function works similarly to `PyArray_ObjectType (...)` except it handles flexible arrays. The `mintype` argument can have an itemsize member and the `outtype` argument will have an itemsize member at least as big but perhaps bigger depending on the object `op`.

`PyArrayObject **PyArray_ConvertToCommonType (PyObject *op, int *n)`

The functionality this provides is largely superseded by iterator `NpyIter` introduced in 1.6, with flag `NPY_ITER_COMMON_DTYPE` or with the same dtype parameter for all operands.

Convert a sequence of Python objects contained in `op` to an array of ndarrays each having the same data type. The type is selected in the same way as `PyArray_ResultType`. The length of the sequence is returned in `n`, and an `n`-length array of `PyArrayObject` pointers is the return value (or NULL if an error occurs). The returned array must be freed by the caller of this routine (using `PyDataMem_FREE`) and all the array objects in it DECREF'd or a memory-leak will occur. The example template-code below shows a typically usage:

Changed in version 1.18.0: A mix of scalars and zero-dimensional arrays now produces a type capable of holding the scalar value. Previously priority was given to the dtype of the arrays.

```
mps = PyArray_ConvertToCommonType (obj, &n);
if (mps==NULL) return NULL;
{code}
<before return>
for (i=0; i<n; i++) Py_DECREF (mps[i]);
PyDataMem_FREE (mps);
{return}
```

`char *PyArray_Zero (PyArrayObject *arr)`

A pointer to newly created memory of size `arr` ->itemsize that holds the representation of 0 for that type. The returned pointer, `ret`, **must be freed** using `PyDataMem_FREE` (`ret`) when it is not needed anymore.

```
char *PyArray_One (PyArrayObject *arr)
```

A pointer to newly created memory of size *arr* ->itemsize that holds the representation of 1 for that type. The returned pointer, *ret*, **must be freed** using *PyDataMem\_FREE* (*ret*) when it is not needed anymore.

```
int PyArray_ValidType (int typenum)
```

Returns *NPY\_TRUE* if *typenum* represents a valid type-number (builtin or user-defined or character code). Otherwise, this function returns *NPY\_FALSE*.

## User-defined data types

```
void PyArray_InitArrFuncs (PyArray_ArrFuncs *f)
```

Initialize all function pointers and members to NULL.

```
int PyArray_RegisterDataType (PyArray_Descr *dtype)
```

Register a data-type as a new user-defined data type for arrays. The type must have most of its entries filled in. This is not always checked and errors can produce segfaults. In particular, the typeobj member of the *dtype* structure must be filled with a Python type that has a fixed-size element-size that corresponds to the elsize member of *dtype*. Also the *f* member must have the required functions: nonzero, copyswap, copyswapn, getitem, setitem, and cast (some of the cast functions may be NULL if no support is desired). To avoid confusion, you should choose a unique character typecode but this is not enforced and not relied on internally.

A user-defined type number is returned that uniquely identifies the type. A pointer to the new structure can then be obtained from *PyArray\_DescrFromType* using the returned type number. A -1 is returned if an error occurs. If this *dtype* has already been registered (checked only by the address of the pointer), then return the previously-assigned type-number.

```
int PyArray_RegisterCastFunc (PyArray_Descr *descr, int totype, PyArray_VectorUnaryFunc *castfunc)
```

Register a low-level casting function, *castfunc*, to convert from the data-type, *descr*, to the given data-type number, *totype*. Any old casting function is over-written. A 0 is returned on success or a -1 on failure.

```
int PyArray_RegisterCanCast (PyArray_Descr *descr, int totype, NPY_SCALARIND scalar)
```

Register the data-type number, *totype*, as castable from data-type object, *descr*, of the given *scalar* kind. Use *scalar* = *NPY\_NOSCALAR* to register that an array of data-type *descr* can be cast safely to a data-type whose type\_number is *totype*. The return value is 0 on success or -1 on failure.

```
int PyArray_TypeNumFromName (char const *str)
```

Given a string return the type-number for the data-type with that string as the type-object name. Returns *NPY\_NOTYPE* without setting an error if no type can be found. Only works for user-defined data-types.

## Special functions for NPY\_OBJECT

```
int PyArray_INCREF (PyArrayObject *op)
```

Used for an array, *op*, that contains any Python objects. It increments the reference count of every object in the array according to the data-type of *op*. A -1 is returned if an error occurs, otherwise 0 is returned.

```
void PyArray_Item_INCREF (char *ptr, PyArray_Descr *dtype)
```

A function to INCREF all the objects at the location *ptr* according to the data-type *dtype*. If *ptr* is the start of a structured type with an object at any offset, then this will (recursively) increment the reference count of all object-like items in the structured type.

```
int PyArray_XDECREF (PyArrayObject *op)
```

Used for an array, *op*, that contains any Python objects. It decrements the reference count of every object in the array according to the data-type of *op*. Normal return value is 0. A -1 is returned if an error occurs.

```
void PyArray_Item_XDECREF (char *ptr, PyArray_Descr *dtype)
```

A function to XDECREF all the object-like items at the location *ptr* as recorded in the data-type, *dtype*. This works recursively so that if *dtype* itself has fields with data-types that contain object-like items, all the object-like fields will be XDECREF'd.

```
void PyArray_FillObjectArray (PyArrayObject *arr, PyObject *obj)
```

Fill a newly created array with a single value *obj* at all locations in the structure with object data-types. No checking is performed but *arr* must be of data-type *NPY\_OBJECT* and be single-segment and uninitialized (no previous objects in position). Use *PyArray\_XDECREF* (*arr*) if you need to decrement all the items in the object array prior to calling this function.

```
int PyArray_SetWritebackIfCopyBase (PyArrayObject *arr, PyArrayObject *base)
```

Precondition: *arr* is a copy of *base* (though possibly with different strides, ordering, etc.) Sets the *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY* flag and *arr->base*, and set *base* to READONLY. Call *PyArray\_ResolveWritebackIfCopy* before calling *Py\_DECREF* in order copy any changes back to *base* and reset the READONLY flag.

Returns 0 for success, -1 for failure.

## 11.4.4 Array flags

The *flags* attribute of the *PyArrayObject* structure contains important information about the memory used by the array (pointed to by the data member) This flag information must be kept accurate or strange results and even segfaults may result.

There are 6 (binary) flags that describe the memory area used by the data buffer. These constants are defined in *arrayobject.h* and determine the bit-position of the flag. Python exposes a nice attribute-based interface as well as a dictionary-like interface for getting (and, if appropriate, setting) these flags.

Memory areas of all kinds can be pointed to by an ndarray, necessitating these flags. If you get an arbitrary *PyArrayObject* in C-code, you need to be aware of the flags that are set. If you need to guarantee a certain kind of array (like *NPY\_ARRAY\_C\_CONTIGUOUS* and *NPY\_ARRAY\_BEHAVED*), then pass these requirements into the *PyArray\_FromAny* function.

### Basic Array Flags

An ndarray can have a data segment that is not a simple contiguous chunk of well-behaved memory you can manipulate. It may not be aligned with word boundaries (very important on some platforms). It might have its data in a different byte-order than the machine recognizes. It might not be writeable. It might be in Fortran-contiguous order. The array flags are used to indicate what can be said about data associated with an array.

In versions 1.6 and earlier of NumPy, the following flags did not have the *\_ARRAY\_* macro namespace in them. That form of the constant names is deprecated in 1.7.

#### **NPY\_ARRAY\_C\_CONTIGUOUS**

The data area is in C-style contiguous order (last index varies the fastest).

#### **NPY\_ARRAY\_F\_CONTIGUOUS**

The data area is in Fortran-style contiguous order (first index varies the fastest).

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**Note:** Arrays can be both C-style and Fortran-style contiguous simultaneously. This is clear for 1-dimensional arrays, but can also be true for higher dimensional arrays.

Even for contiguous arrays a stride for a given dimension *arr.strides[dim]* may be *arbitrary* if *arr.shape[dim] == 1* or the array has no elements. It does *not* generally hold that *self.strides[-1] ==*

`self.itemsize` for C-style contiguous arrays or `self.strides[0] == self.itemsize` for Fortran-style contiguous arrays is true. The correct way to access the `itemsize` of an array from the C API is `PyArray_ITEMSIZE(arr)`.

**See also:**

*Internal memory layout of an ndarray*

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**NPY\_ARRAY\_OWNDATA**

The data area is owned by this array. Should never be set manually, instead create a `PyObject` wrapping the data and set the array's base to that object. For an example, see the test in `test_mem_policy`.

**NPY\_ARRAY\_ALIGNED**

The data area and all array elements are aligned appropriately.

**NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE**

The data area can be written to.

Notice that the above 3 flags are defined so that a new, well-behaved array has these flags defined as true.

**NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY**

The data area represents a (well-behaved) copy whose information should be transferred back to the original when `PyArray_ResolveWritebackIfCopy` is called.

This is a special flag that is set if this array represents a copy made because a user required certain flags in `PyArray_FromAny` and a copy had to be made of some other array (and the user asked for this flag to be set in such a situation). The base attribute then points to the “misbehaved” array (which is set `read_only`). `:c:func`PyArray_ResolveWritebackIfCopy`` will copy its contents back to the “misbehaved” array (casting if necessary) and will reset the “misbehaved” array to `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE`. If the “misbehaved” array was not `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE` to begin with then `PyArray_FromAny` would have returned an error because `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEBACKIFCOPY` would not have been possible.

`PyArray_UpdateFlags` (`obj, flags`) will update the `obj->flags` for flags which can be any of `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS`, `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS`, `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`, or `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE`.

## Combinations of array flags

**NPY\_ARRAY\_BEHAVED**

`NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED | NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE`

**NPY\_ARRAY\_CARRAY**

`NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS | NPY_ARRAY_BEHAVED`

**NPY\_ARRAY\_CARRAY\_RO**

`NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS | NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`

**NPY\_ARRAY\_FARRAY**

`NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS | NPY_ARRAY_BEHAVED`

**NPY\_ARRAY\_FARRAY\_RO**

`NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS | NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`

**NPY\_ARRAY\_DEFAULT**

`NPY_ARRAY_CARRAY`

**NPY\_ARRAY\_UPDATE\_ALL**

`NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS | NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS | NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`

## Flag-like constants

These constants are used in `PyArray_FromAny` (and its macro forms) to specify desired properties of the new array.

### `NPY_ARRAY_FORCECAST`

Cast to the desired type, even if it can't be done without losing information.

### `NPY_ARRAY_ENSURECOPY`

Make sure the resulting array is a copy of the original.

### `NPY_ARRAY_ENSUREARRAY`

Make sure the resulting object is an actual ndarray, and not a sub-class.

## Flag checking

For all of these macros `arr` must be an instance of a (subclass of) `PyArray_Type`.

### `int PyArray_CHKFLAGS (PyObject *arr, int flags)`

The first parameter, `arr`, must be an ndarray or subclass. The parameter, `flags`, should be an integer consisting of bitwise combinations of the possible flags an array can have:  
`NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS`,    `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS`,    `NPY_ARRAY_OWNDATA`,  
`NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`, `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE`, `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEBACKIFCOPY`.

### `int PyArray_IS_C_CONTIGUOUS (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if `arr` is C-style contiguous.

### `int PyArray_IS_F_CONTIGUOUS (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if `arr` is Fortran-style contiguous.

### `int PyArray_ISFORTRAN (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if `arr` is Fortran-style contiguous and *not* C-style contiguous. `PyArray_IS_F_CONTIGUOUS` is the correct way to test for Fortran-style contiguity.

### `int PyArray_ISWRITEABLE (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if the data area of `arr` can be written to

### `int PyArray_ISALIGNED (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if the data area of `arr` is properly aligned on the machine.

### `int PyArray_ISBEHAVED (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if the data area of `arr` is aligned and writeable and in machine byte-order according to its descriptor.

### `int PyArray_ISBEHAVED_RO (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if the data area of `arr` is aligned and in machine byte-order.

### `int PyArray_ISCARRAY (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if the data area of `arr` is C-style contiguous, and `PyArray_ISBEHAVED (arr)` is true.

### `int PyArray_ISFARRAY (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if the data area of `arr` is Fortran-style contiguous and `PyArray_ISBEHAVED (arr)` is true.

### `int PyArray_ISCARRAY_RO (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if the data area of `arr` is C-style contiguous, aligned, and in machine byte-order.

### `int PyArray_ISFARRAY_RO (PyObject *arr)`

Evaluates true if the data area of `arr` is Fortran-style contiguous, aligned, and in machine byte-order .

```
int PyArray_ISONESEGMENT (PyObject *arr)
```

Evaluates true if the data area of *arr* consists of a single (C-style or Fortran-style) contiguous segment.

```
void PyArray_UpdateFlags (PyArrayObject *arr, int flagmask)
```

The `NPY_ARRAY_C_CONTIGUOUS`, `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED`, and `NPY_ARRAY_F_CONTIGUOUS` array flags can be “calculated” from the array object itself. This routine updates one or more of these flags of *arr* as specified in *flagmask* by performing the required calculation.

**Warning:** It is important to keep the flags updated (using `PyArray_UpdateFlags` can help) whenever a manipulation with an array is performed that might cause them to change. Later calculations in NumPy that rely on the state of these flags do not repeat the calculation to update them.

```
int PyArray_FailUnlessWriteable (PyArrayObject *obj, const char *name)
```

This function does nothing and returns 0 if *obj* is writeable. It raises an exception and returns -1 if *obj* is not writeable. It may also do other house-keeping, such as issuing warnings on arrays which are transitioning to become views. Always call this function at some point before writing to an array.

*name* is a name for the array, used to give better error messages. It can be something like “assignment destination”, “output array”, or even just “array”.

## 11.4.5 Array method alternative API

### Conversion

```
PyObject *PyArray_GetField (PyArrayObject *self, PyArray_Descr *dtype, int offset)
```

Equivalent to `ndarray.getfield(self, dtype, offset)`. This function steals a reference to `PyArray_Descr` and returns a new array of the given *dtype* using the data in the current array at a specified *offset* in bytes. The *offset* plus the itemsize of the new array type must be less than *self*  $\rightarrow$ descr $\rightarrow$ elsize or an error is raised. The same shape and strides as the original array are used. Therefore, this function has the effect of returning a field from a structured array. But, it can also be used to select specific bytes or groups of bytes from any array type.

```
int PyArray_SetField (PyArrayObject *self, PyArray_Descr *dtype, int offset, PyObject *val)
```

Equivalent to `ndarray.setfield(self, val, dtype, offset)`. Set the field starting at *offset* in bytes and of the given *dtype* to *val*. The *offset* plus *dtype*  $\rightarrow$ elsize must be less than *self*  $\rightarrow$ descr $\rightarrow$ elsize or an error is raised. Otherwise, the *val* argument is converted to an array and copied into the field pointed to. If necessary, the elements of *val* are repeated to fill the destination array. But, the number of elements in the destination must be an integer multiple of the number of elements in *val*.

```
PyObject *PyArray_Bytewrap (PyArrayObject *self, npy_bool inplace)
```

Equivalent to `ndarray.byteswap(self, inplace)`. Return an array whose data area is byteswapped. If *inplace* is non-zero, then do the byteswap inplace and return a reference to *self*. Otherwise, create a byteswapped copy and leave *self* unchanged.

```
PyObject *PyArray_NewCopy (PyArrayObject *old, NPY_ORDER order)
```

Equivalent to `ndarray.copy(self, fortran)`. Make a copy of the *old* array. The returned array is always aligned and writeable with data interpreted the same as the old array. If *order* is `NPY_CORDER`, then a C-style contiguous array is returned. If *order* is `NPY_FORTRANORDER`, then a Fortran-style contiguous array is returned. If *order* is `NPY_ANYORDER`, then the array returned is Fortran-style contiguous only if the old one is; otherwise, it is C-style contiguous.

```
PyObject *PyArray_ToList (PyArrayObject *self)
```

Equivalent to `ndarray.tolist(self)`. Return a nested Python list from *self*.

`PyObject *PyArray_ToString (PyArrayObject *self, NPY_ORDER order)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.tobytes(self, order)`. Return the bytes of this array in a Python string.

`PyObject *PyArray_ToFile (PyArrayObject *self, FILE *fp, char *sep, char *format)`

Write the contents of `self` to the file pointer `fp` in C-style contiguous fashion. Write the data as binary bytes if `sep` is the string “” or `NULL`. Otherwise, write the contents of `self` as text using the `sep` string as the item separator. Each item will be printed to the file. If the `format` string is not `NULL` or “”, then it is a Python print statement format string showing how the items are to be written.

`int PyArray_Dump (PyObject *self, PyObject *file, int protocol)`

Pickle the object in `self` to the given `file` (either a string or a Python file object). If `file` is a Python string it is considered to be the name of a file which is then opened in binary mode. The given `protocol` is used (if `protocol` is negative, or the highest available is used). This is a simple wrapper around `cPickle.dump(self, file, protocol)`.

`PyObject *PyArray_Dumps (PyObject *self, int protocol)`

Pickle the object in `self` to a Python string and return it. Use the Pickle `protocol` provided (or the highest available if `protocol` is negative).

`int PyArray_FillWithScalar (PyArrayObject *arr, PyObject *obj)`

Fill the array, `arr`, with the given scalar object, `obj`. The object is first converted to the data type of `arr`, and then copied into every location. A -1 is returned if an error occurs, otherwise 0 is returned.

`PyObject *PyArray_View (PyArrayObject *self, PyArray_Descr *dtype, PyTypeObject *ptype)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.view(self, dtype)`. Return a new view of the array `self` as possibly a different data-type, `dtype`, and different array subclass `ptype`.

If `dtype` is `NULL`, then the returned array will have the same data type as `self`. The new data-type must be consistent with the size of `self`. Either the itemsizes must be identical, or `self` must be single-segment and the total number of bytes must be the same. In the latter case the dimensions of the returned array will be altered in the last (or first for Fortran-style contiguous arrays) dimension. The data area of the returned array and `self` is exactly the same.

## Shape Manipulation

`PyObject *PyArray_Newshape (PyArrayObject *self, PyArray_Dims *newshape, NPY_ORDER order)`

Result will be a new array (pointing to the same memory location as `self` if possible), but having a shape given by `newshape`. If the new shape is not compatible with the strides of `self`, then a copy of the array with the new specified shape will be returned.

`PyObject *PyArray_Reshape (PyArrayObject *self, PyObject *shape)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.reshape(self, shape)` where `shape` is a sequence. Converts `shape` to a `PyArray_Dims` structure and calls `PyArray_Newshape` internally. For back-ward compatibility – Not recommended

`PyObject *PyArray_Squeeze (PyArrayObject *self)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.squeeze(self)`. Return a new view of `self` with all of the dimensions of length 1 removed from the shape.

**Warning:** matrix objects are always 2-dimensional. Therefore, `PyArray_Squeeze` has no effect on arrays of matrix sub-class.

`PyObject *PyArray_SwapAxes (PyArrayObject *self, int a1, int a2)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.swapaxes(self, a1, a2)`. The returned array is a new view of the data in `self` with the given axes, `a1` and `a2`, swapped.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Resize** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyArray\_Dims* \**newshape*, int *refcheck*, *NPY\_ORDER* *fortran*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.resize(self, newshape, refcheck = refcheck, order= fortran)`. This function only works on single-segment arrays. It changes the shape of *self* inplace and will reallocate the memory for *self* if *newshape* has a different total number of elements than the old shape. If reallocation is necessary, then *self* must own its data, have *self->base==NULL*, have *self->weakrefs==NULL*, and (unless *refcheck* is 0) not be referenced by any other array. The fortran argument can be *NPY\_ANYORDER*, *NPY\_CORDER*, or *NPY\_FORTRANORDER*. It currently has no effect. Eventually it could be used to determine how the resize operation should view the data when constructing a differently-dimensioned array. Returns None on success and NULL on error.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Transpose** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyArray\_Dims* \**permute*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.transpose(self, permute)`. Permute the axes of the ndarray object *self* according to the data structure *permute* and return the result. If *permute* is NULL, then the resulting array has its axes reversed. For example if *self* has shape  $10 \times 20 \times 30$ , and *permute.ptr* is (0,2,1) the shape of the result is  $10 \times 30 \times 20$ . If *permute* is NULL, the shape of the result is  $30 \times 20 \times 10$ .

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Flatten** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *NPY\_ORDER* *order*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.flatten(self, order)`. Return a 1-d copy of the array. If *order* is *NPY\_FORTRANORDER* the elements are scanned out in Fortran order (first-dimension varies the fastest). If *order* is *NPY\_CORDER*, the elements of *self* are scanned in C-order (last dimension varies the fastest). If *order* is *NPY\_ANYORDER*, then the result of *PyArray\_ISFORTRAN(self)* is used to determine which order to flatten.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Ravel** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *NPY\_ORDER* *order*)

Equivalent to *self.ravel(order)*. Same basic functionality as *PyArray\_Flatten(self, order)* except if *order* is 0 and *self* is C-style contiguous, the shape is altered but no copy is performed.

## Item selection and manipulation

**PyObject \*PyArray\_TakeFrom** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyObject* \**indices*, int *axis*, *PyArrayObject* \**ret*, *NPY\_CLIPMODE* *clipmode*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.take(self, indices, axis, ret, clipmode)` except *axis* =None in Python is obtained by setting *axis* = *NPY\_MAXDIMS* in C. Extract the items from *self* indicated by the integer-valued *indices* along the given *axis*. The *clipmode* argument can be *NPY\_RAISE*, *NPY\_WRAP*, or *NPY\_CLIP* to indicate what to do with out-of-bound indices. The *ret* argument can specify an output array rather than having one created internally.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_PutTo** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyObject* \**values*, *PyObject* \**indices*, *NPY\_CLIPMODE* *clipmode*)

Equivalent to *self.put(values, indices, clipmode)*. Put *values* into *self* at the corresponding (flattened) *indices*. If *values* is too small it will be repeated as necessary.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_PutMask** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyObject* \**values*, *PyObject* \**mask*)

Place the *values* in *self* wherever corresponding positions (using a flattened context) in *mask* are true. The *mask* and *self* arrays must have the same total number of elements. If *values* is too small, it will be repeated as necessary.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Repeat** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyObject* \**op*, int *axis*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.repeat(self, op, axis)`. Copy the elements of *self*, *op* times along the given *axis*. Either *op* is a scalar integer or a sequence of length *self->dimensions[axis]* indicating how many times to repeat each item along the axis.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_ChOOSE** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyObject* \**op*, *PyArrayObject* \**ret*, *NPY\_CLIPMODE* *clipmode*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.choose(self, op, ret, clipmode)`. Create a new array by selecting elements from the sequence of arrays in *op* based on the integer values in *self*. The arrays must all be broadcastable to the same shape and the entries in *self* should be between 0 and *len(op)*. The output is placed in *ret* unless it is NULL in which case a new output is created. The *clipmode* argument determines behavior for when entries in *self* are not between 0 and *len(op)*.

**NPY\_RAISE**

```
raise a ValueError;
```

**NPY\_WRAP**

wrap values < 0 by adding len(*op*) and values >=len(*op*) by subtracting len(*op*) until they are in range;

**NPY\_CLIP**

all values are clipped to the region [0, len(*op*) ).

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Sort** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, int *axis*, *NPY\_SORTKIND* *kind*)

Equivalent to *ndarray.sort* (*self*, *axis*, *kind*). Return an array with the items of *self* sorted along *axis*. The array is sorted using the algorithm denoted by *kind*, which is an integer/enum pointing to the type of sorting algorithms used.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_ArgSort** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, int *axis*)

Equivalent to *ndarray.argsort* (*self*, *axis*). Return an array of indices such that selection of these indices along the given *axis* would return a sorted version of *self*. If *self* ->*descr* is a data-type with fields defined, then *self*->*descr*->*names* is used to determine the sort order. A comparison where the first field is equal will use the second field and so on. To alter the sort order of a structured array, create a new data-type with a different order of names and construct a view of the array with that new data-type.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_LexSort** (*PyObject* \**sort\_keys*, int *axis*)

Given a sequence of arrays (*sort\_keys*) of the same shape, return an array of indices (similar to *PyArray\_ArgSort* (...)) that would sort the arrays lexicographically. A lexicographic sort specifies that when two keys are found to be equal, the order is based on comparison of subsequent keys. A merge sort (which leaves equal entries unmoved) is required to be defined for the types. The sort is accomplished by sorting the indices first using the first *sort\_key* and then using the second *sort\_key* and so forth. This is equivalent to the *lexsort*(*sort\_keys*, *axis*) Python command. Because of the way the merge-sort works, be sure to understand the order the *sort\_keys* must be in (reversed from the order you would use when comparing two elements).

If these arrays are all collected in a structured array, then *PyArray\_Sort* (...) can also be used to sort the array directly.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_SearchSorted** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyObject* \**values*, *NPY\_SEARCHSIDE* *side*, *PyObject* \**perm*)

Equivalent to *ndarray.searchsorted* (*self*, *values*, *side*, *perm*). Assuming *self* is a 1-d array in ascending order, then the output is an array of indices the same shape as *values* such that, if the elements in *values* were inserted before the indices, the order of *self* would be preserved. No checking is done on whether or not *self* is in ascending order.

The *side* argument indicates whether the index returned should be that of the first suitable location (if *NPY\_SEARCHLEFT*) or of the last (if *NPY\_SEARCHRIGHT*).

The *sorter* argument, if not NULL, must be a 1D array of integer indices the same length as *self*, that sorts it into ascending order. This is typically the result of a call to *PyArray\_ArgSort* (...) Binary search is used to find the required insertion points.

**int PyArray\_Partition** (*PyArrayObject* \**self*, *PyArrayObject* \**ktharray*, int *axis*, *NPY\_SELECTKIND* *which*)

Equivalent to *ndarray.partition* (*self*, *ktharray*, *axis*, *kind*). Partitions the array so that the values of the element indexed by *ktharray* are in the positions they would be if the array is fully sorted and places all elements smaller than the kth before and all elements equal or greater after the kth element. The ordering of all elements within the partitions is undefined. If *self*->*descr* is a data-type with fields defined, then *self*->*descr*->*names* is used to determine the sort order. A comparison where the first field is equal will use the second field and so on. To alter the sort order of a structured array, create a new data-type with a different order of names and construct a view of the array with that new data-type. Returns zero on success and -1 on failure.

`PyObject *PyArray_ArgPartition (PyArrayObject *op, PyArrayObject *ktharray, int axis, NPY_SELECTKIND which)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.argpartition (self, ktharray, axis, kind)`. Return an array of indices such that selection of these indices along the given `axis` would return a partitioned version of `self`.

`PyObject *PyArray_Diagonal (PyArrayObject *self, int offset, int axis1, int axis2)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.diagonal (self, offset, axis1, axis2)`. Return the `offset` diagonals of the 2-d arrays defined by `axis1` and `axis2`.

`npy_intp PyArray_CountNonzero (PyArrayObject *self)`

New in version 1.6.

Counts the number of non-zero elements in the array object `self`.

`PyObject *PyArray_Nonzero (PyArrayObject *self)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.nonzero (self)`. Returns a tuple of index arrays that select elements of `self` that are nonzero. If `(nd= PyArray_NDIM ( self ))==1`, then a single index array is returned. The index arrays have data type `NPY_INTP`. If a tuple is returned (`nd ≠ 1`), then its length is `nd`.

`PyObject *PyArray_Compress (PyArrayObject *self, PyObject *condition, int axis, PyArrayObject *out)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.compress (self, condition, axis)`. Return the elements along `axis` corresponding to elements of `condition` that are true.

## Calculation

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**Tip:** Pass in `NPY_MAXDIMS` for `axis` in order to achieve the same effect that is obtained by passing in `axis=None` in Python (treating the array as a 1-d array).

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**Note:** The `out` argument specifies where to place the result. If `out` is NULL, then the output array is created, otherwise the output is placed in `out` which must be the correct size and type. A new reference to the output array is always returned even when `out` is not NULL. The caller of the routine has the responsibility to `Py_DECREF` `out` if not NULL or a memory-leak will occur.

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`PyObject *PyArray_ArgMax (PyArrayObject *self, int axis, PyArrayObject *out)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.argmax (self, axis)`. Return the index of the largest element of `self` along `axis`.

`PyObject *PyArray_ArgMin (PyArrayObject *self, int axis, PyArrayObject *out)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.argmin (self, axis)`. Return the index of the smallest element of `self` along `axis`.

`PyObject *PyArray_Max (PyArrayObject *self, int axis, PyArrayObject *out)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.max (self, axis)`. Returns the largest element of `self` along the given `axis`. When the result is a single element, returns a numpy scalar instead of an ndarray.

`PyObject *PyArray_Min (PyArrayObject *self, int axis, PyArrayObject *out)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.min (self, axis)`. Return the smallest element of `self` along the given `axis`. When the result is a single element, returns a numpy scalar instead of an ndarray.

`PyObject *PyArray_Ptp (PyArrayObject *self, int axis, PyArrayObject *out)`

Equivalent to `ndarray.ptp (self, axis)`. Return the difference between the largest element of `self` along `axis` and the smallest element of `self` along `axis`. When the result is a single element, returns a numpy scalar instead of an ndarray.

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**Note:** The `rtype` argument specifies the data-type the reduction should take place over. This is important if the data-type of the array is not “large” enough to handle the output. By default, all integer data-types are made at least as large as `NPY_LONG` for the “add” and “multiply” ufuncs (which form the basis for mean, sum, cumsum, prod, and cumprod functions).

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Mean** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *axis*, int *rtype*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.mean(self, axis, rtype)`. Returns the mean of the elements along the given *axis*, using the enumerated type *rtype* as the data type to sum in. Default sum behavior is obtained using `NPY_NOTYPE` for *rtype*.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Trace** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *offset*, int *axis1*, int *axis2*, int *rtype*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.trace(self, offset, axis1, axis2, rtype)`. Return the sum (using *rtype* as the data type of summation) over the *offset* diagonal elements of the 2-d arrays defined by *axis1* and *axis2* variables. A positive offset chooses diagonals above the main diagonal. A negative offset selects diagonals below the main diagonal.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Clip** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, *PyObject \*min*, *PyObject \*max*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.clip(self, min, max)`. Clip an array, *self*, so that values larger than *max* are fixed to *max* and values less than *min* are fixed to *min*.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Conjugate** (*PyArrayObject \*self*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.conjugate(self)`. Return the complex conjugate of *self*. If *self* is not of complex data type, then return *self* with a reference.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Round** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *decimals*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.round(self, decimals, out)`. Returns the array with elements rounded to the nearest decimal place. The decimal place is defined as the  $10^{-\text{decimals}}$  digit so that negative *decimals* cause rounding to the nearest 10's, 100's, etc. If *out* is NULL, then the output array is created, otherwise the output is placed in *out* which must be the correct size and type.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Std** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *axis*, int *rtype*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.std(self, axis, rtype)`. Return the standard deviation using data along *axis* converted to data type *rtype*.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Sum** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *axis*, int *rtype*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.sum(self, axis, rtype)`. Return 1-d vector sums of elements in *self* along *axis*. Perform the sum after converting data to data type *rtype*.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_CumSum** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *axis*, int *rtype*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.cumsum(self, axis, rtype)`. Return cumulative 1-d sums of elements in *self* along *axis*. Perform the sum after converting data to data type *rtype*.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Prod** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *axis*, int *rtype*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.prod(self, axis, rtype)`. Return 1-d products of elements in *self* along *axis*. Perform the product after converting data to data type *rtype*.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_CumProd** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *axis*, int *rtype*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.cumprod(self, axis, rtype)`. Return 1-d cumulative products of elements in *self* along *axis*. Perform the product after converting data to data type *rtype*.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_All** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *axis*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.all(self, axis)`. Return an array with True elements for every 1-d sub-array of *self* defined by *axis* in which all the elements are True.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_Any** (*PyArrayObject \*self*, int *axis*, *PyArrayObject \*out*)

Equivalent to `ndarray.any(self, axis)`. Return an array with True elements for every 1-d sub-array of *self* defined by *axis* in which any of the elements are True.

## 11.4.6 Functions

### Array Functions

```
int PyArray_AsCArray (PyObject **op, void *ptr, npy_intp *dims, int nd, PyArray_Descr *typedescr)
```

Sometimes it is useful to access a multidimensional array as a C-style multi-dimensional array so that algorithms can be implemented using C's `a[i][j][k]` syntax. This routine returns a pointer, `ptr`, that simulates this kind of C-style array, for 1-, 2-, and 3-d ndarrays.

#### Parameters

- **op** – The address to any Python object. This Python object will be replaced with an equivalent well-behaved, C-style contiguous, ndarray of the given data type specified by the last two arguments. Be sure that stealing a reference in this way to the input object is justified.
- **ptr** – The address to a (`ctype*` for 1-d, `ctype**` for 2-d or `ctype***` for 3-d) variable where `ctype` is the equivalent C-type for the data type. On return, `ptr` will be addressable as a 1-d, 2-d, or 3-d array.
- **dims** – An output array that contains the shape of the array object. This array gives boundaries on any looping that will take place.
- **nd** – The dimensionality of the array (1, 2, or 3).
- **typedescr** – A `PyArray_Descr` structure indicating the desired data-type (including required byteorder). The call will steal a reference to the parameter.

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**Note:** The simulation of a C-style array is not complete for 2-d and 3-d arrays. For example, the simulated arrays of pointers cannot be passed to subroutines expecting specific, statically-defined 2-d and 3-d arrays. To pass to functions requiring those kind of inputs, you must statically define the required array and copy data.

---

```
int PyArray_Free (PyObject *op, void *ptr)
```

Must be called with the same objects and memory locations returned from `PyArray_AsCArray (...)`. This function cleans up memory that otherwise would get leaked.

```
PyObject *PyArray_Concatenate (PyObject *obj, int axis)
```

Join the sequence of objects in `obj` together along `axis` into a single array. If the dimensions or types are not compatible an error is raised.

```
PyObject *PyArray_InnerProduct (PyObject *obj1, PyObject *obj2)
```

Compute a product-sum over the last dimensions of `obj1` and `obj2`. Neither array is conjugated.

```
PyObject *PyArray_MatrixProduct (PyObject *obj1, PyObject *obj)
```

Compute a product-sum over the last dimension of `obj1` and the second-to-last dimension of `obj2`. For 2-d arrays this is a matrix-product. Neither array is conjugated.

```
PyObject *PyArray_MatrixProduct2 (PyObject *obj1, PyObject *obj, PyArrayObject *out)
```

New in version 1.6.

Same as `PyArray_MatrixProduct`, but store the result in `out`. The output array must have the correct shape, type, and be C-contiguous, or an exception is raised.

```
PyObject *PyArray_EinsteinSum (char *subscripts, npy_intp nop, PyArrayObject **op_in, PyArray_Descr *dtype, NPY_ORDER order, NPY_CASTING casting, PyArrayObject *out)
```

New in version 1.6.

Applies the Einstein summation convention to the array operands provided, returning a new array or placing the result in *out*. The string in *subscripts* is a comma separated list of index letters. The number of operands is in *nop*, and *op\_in* is an array containing those operands. The data type of the output can be forced with *dtype*, the output order can be forced with *order* (*NPY\_KEEPORDER* is recommended), and when *dtype* is specified, *casting* indicates how permissive the data conversion should be.

See the [einsum](#) function for more details.

`PyObject *PyArray_CopyAndTranspose (PyObject *op)`

A specialized copy and transpose function that works only for 2-d arrays. The returned array is a transposed copy of *op*.

`PyObject *PyArray_Correlate (PyObject *op1, PyObject *op2, int mode)`

Compute the 1-d correlation of the 1-d arrays *op1* and *op2*. The correlation is computed at each output point by multiplying *op1* by a shifted version of *op2* and summing the result. As a result of the shift, needed values outside of the defined range of *op1* and *op2* are interpreted as zero. The mode determines how many shifts to return: 0 - return only shifts that did not need to assume zero- values; 1 - return an object that is the same size as *op1*, 2 - return all possible shifts (any overlap at all is accepted).

## Notes

This does not compute the usual correlation: if *op2* is larger than *op1*, the arguments are swapped, and the conjugate is never taken for complex arrays. See `PyArray_Correlate2` for the usual signal processing correlation.

`PyObject *PyArray_Correlate2 (PyObject *op1, PyObject *op2, int mode)`

Updated version of `PyArray_Correlate`, which uses the usual definition of correlation for 1d arrays. The correlation is computed at each output point by multiplying *op1* by a shifted version of *op2* and summing the result. As a result of the shift, needed values outside of the defined range of *op1* and *op2* are interpreted as zero. The mode determines how many shifts to return: 0 - return only shifts that did not need to assume zero- values; 1 - return an object that is the same size as *op1*, 2 - return all possible shifts (any overlap at all is accepted).

## Notes

Compute *z* as follows:

```
z [k] = sum_n op1[n] * conj(op2[n+k])
```

`PyObject *PyArray_Where (PyObject *condition, PyObject *x, PyObject *y)`

If both *x* and *y* are NULL, then return `PyArray_Nonzero (condition)`. Otherwise, both *x* and *y* must be given and the object returned is shaped like *condition* and has elements of *x* and *y* where *condition* is respectively True or False.

## Other functions

`npy_bool PyArray_CheckStrides (int elsize, int nd, npy_intp numbytes, npy_intp const *dims, npy_intp const *newstrides)`

Determine if *newstrides* is a strides array consistent with the memory of an *nd*-dimensional array with shape *dims* and element-size, *elsize*. The *newstrides* array is checked to see if jumping by the provided number of bytes in each direction will ever mean jumping more than *numbytes* which is the assumed size of the available memory segment. If *numbytes* is 0, then an equivalent *numbytes* is computed assuming *nd*, *dims*, and *elsize* refer to a single-segment array. Return *NPY\_TRUE* if *newstrides* is acceptable, otherwise return *NPY\_FALSE*.

```
npy_intp PyArray_MultiplyList (npy_intp const *seq, int n)
```

```
int PyArray_MultiplyIntList (int const *seq, int n)
```

Both of these routines multiply an  $n$ -length array,  $seq$ , of integers and return the result. No overflow checking is performed.

```
int PyArray_CompareLists (npy_intp const *l1, npy_intp const *l2, int n)
```

Given two  $n$ -length arrays of integers,  $l1$ , and  $l2$ , return 1 if the lists are identical; otherwise, return 0.

## 11.4.7 Auxiliary Data With Object Semantics

New in version 1.7.0.

type **NpyAuxData**

When working with more complex dtypes which are composed of other dtypes, such as the struct dtype, creating inner loops that manipulate the dtypes requires carrying along additional data. NumPy supports this idea through a struct **NpyAuxData**, mandating a few conventions so that it is possible to do this.

Defining an **NpyAuxData** is similar to defining a class in C++, but the object semantics have to be tracked manually since the API is in C. Here's an example for a function which doubles up an element using an element copier function as a primitive.

```
typedef struct {
    NpyAuxData base;
    ElementCopier_Func *func;
    NpyAuxData *funcdata;
} eldoubler_aux_data;

void free_element_doubler_aux_data (NpyAuxData *data)
{
    eldoubler_aux_data *d = (eldoubler_aux_data *)data;
    /* Free the memory owned by this auxdata */
    NPY_AUXDATA_FREE(d->funcdata);
    PyArray_free(d);
}

NpyAuxData *clone_element_doubler_aux_data (NpyAuxData *data)
{
    eldoubler_aux_data *ret = PyArray_malloc(sizeof(eldoubler_aux_data));
    if (ret == NULL) {
        return NULL;
    }

    /* Raw copy of all data */
    memcpy(ret, data, sizeof(eldoubler_aux_data));

    /* Fix up the owned auxdata so we have our own copy */
    ret->funcdata = NPY_AUXDATA_CLONE(ret->funcdata);
    if (ret->funcdata == NULL) {
        PyArray_free(ret);
        return NULL;
    }

    return (NpyAuxData *)ret;
}
```

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```
NpyAuxData *create_element_doubler_aux_data(
    ElementCopier_Func *func,
    NpyAuxData *funcdata)
{
    eldoubler_aux_data *ret = PyArray_malloc(sizeof(eldoubler_aux_data));
    if (ret == NULL) {
        PyErr_NoMemory();
        return NULL;
    }
    memset(&ret, 0, sizeof(eldoubler_aux_data));
    ret->base->free = &free_element_doubler_aux_data;
    ret->base->clone = &clone_element_doubler_aux_data;
    ret->func = func;
    ret->funcdata = funcdata;

    return (NpyAuxData *)ret;
}
```

**type `NpyAuxData_FreeFunc`**

The function pointer type for NpyAuxData free functions.

**type `NpyAuxData_CloneFunc`**

The function pointer type for NpyAuxData clone functions. These functions should never set the Python exception on error, because they may be called from a multi-threaded context.

**void `NPY_AUXDATA_FREE` (`NpyAuxData` \*auxdata)**

A macro which calls the auxdata's free function appropriately, does nothing if auxdata is NULL.

**`NpyAuxData` \*`NPY_AUXDATA_CLONE` (`NpyAuxData` \*auxdata)**

A macro which calls the auxdata's clone function appropriately, returning a deep copy of the auxiliary data.

## 11.4.8 Array Iterators

As of NumPy 1.6.0, these array iterators are superseded by the new array iterator, `NpyIter`.

An array iterator is a simple way to access the elements of an N-dimensional array quickly and efficiently. Section 2 provides more description and examples of this useful approach to looping over an array.

**`PyObject` \*`PyArray_IterNew` (`PyObject` \*arr)**

Return an array iterator object from the array, *arr*. This is equivalent to *arr*. `flat`. The array iterator object makes it easy to loop over an N-dimensional non-contiguous array in C-style contiguous fashion.

**`PyObject` \*`PyArray_IterAllButAxis` (`PyObject` \*arr, int \*axis)**

Return an array iterator that will iterate over all axes but the one provided in *\*axis*. The returned iterator cannot be used with `PyArray_ITER_GOTO1D`. This iterator could be used to write something similar to what ufuncs do wherein the loop over the largest axis is done by a separate sub-routine. If *\*axis* is negative then *\*axis* will be set to the axis having the smallest stride and that axis will be used.

**`PyObject` \*`PyArray_BroadcastToShape` (`PyObject` \*arr, `npy_intp` const \*dimensions, int nd)**

Return an array iterator that is broadcast to iterate as an array of the shape provided by *dimensions* and *nd*.

**int `PyArrayIter_Check` (`PyObject` \*op)**

Evaluates true if *op* is an array iterator (or instance of a subclass of the array iterator type).

```
void PyArray_ITER_RESET (PyObject *iterator)
```

Reset an *iterator* to the beginning of the array.

```
void PyArray_ITER_NEXT (PyObject *iterator)
```

Increment the index and the dataptr members of the *iterator* to point to the next element of the array. If the array is not (C-style) contiguous, also increment the N-dimensional coordinates array.

```
void *PyArray_ITER_DATA (PyObject *iterator)
```

A pointer to the current element of the array.

```
void PyArray_ITER_GOTO (PyObject *iterator, npy_intp *destination)
```

Set the *iterator* index, dataptr, and coordinates members to the location in the array indicated by the N-dimensional c-array, *destination*, which must have size at least *iterator* ->nd\_m1+1.

```
void PyArray_ITER_GOTO1D (PyObject *iterator, npy_intp index)
```

Set the *iterator* index and dataptr to the location in the array indicated by the integer *index* which points to an element in the C-styled flattened array.

```
int PyArray_ITER_NOTDONE (PyObject *iterator)
```

Evaluates TRUE as long as the iterator has not looped through all of the elements, otherwise it evaluates FALSE.

## 11.4.9 Broadcasting (multi-iterators)

```
PyObject *PyArray_MultiIterNew (int num, ...)
```

A simplified interface to broadcasting. This function takes the number of arrays to broadcast and then *num* extra ( *PyObject* \* ) arguments. These arguments are converted to arrays and iterators are created. *PyArray\_Broadcast* is then called on the resulting multi-iterator object. The resulting, broadcasted multi-iterator object is then returned. A broadcasted operation can then be performed using a single loop and using *PyArray\_MultiIter\_NEXT* (..)

```
void PyArray_MultiIter_RESET (PyObject *multi)
```

Reset all the iterators to the beginning in a multi-iterator object, *multi*.

```
void PyArray_MultiIter_NEXT (PyObject *multi)
```

Advance each iterator in a multi-iterator object, *multi*, to its next (broadcasted) element.

```
void *PyArray_MultiIter_DATA (PyObject *multi, int i)
```

Return the data-pointer of the *i*<sup>th</sup> iterator in a multi-iterator object.

```
void PyArray_MultiIter_Nexti (PyObject *multi, int i)
```

Advance the pointer of only the *i*<sup>th</sup> iterator.

```
void PyArray_MultiIter_GOTO (PyObject *multi, npy_intp *destination)
```

Advance each iterator in a multi-iterator object, *multi*, to the given *N* -dimensional *destination* where *N* is the number of dimensions in the broadcasted array.

```
void PyArray_MultiIter_GOTO1D (PyObject *multi, npy_intp index)
```

Advance each iterator in a multi-iterator object, *multi*, to the corresponding location of the *index* into the flattened broadcasted array.

```
int PyArray_MultiIter_NOTDONE (PyObject *multi)
```

Evaluates TRUE as long as the multi-iterator has not looped through all of the elements (of the broadcasted result), otherwise it evaluates FALSE.

---

```
int PyArray_Broadcast (PyArrayMultiIterObject *mit)
```

This function encapsulates the broadcasting rules. The *mit* container should already contain iterators for all the arrays that need to be broadcast. On return, these iterators will be adjusted so that iteration over each simultaneously will accomplish the broadcasting. A negative number is returned if an error occurs.

```
int PyArray_RemoveSmallest (PyArrayMultiIterObject *mit)
```

This function takes a multi-iterator object that has been previously “broadcasted,” finds the dimension with the smallest “sum of strides” in the broadcasted result and adapts all the iterators so as not to iterate over that dimension (by effectively making them of length-1 in that dimension). The corresponding dimension is returned unless *mit->nd* is 0, then -1 is returned. This function is useful for constructing ufunc-like routines that broadcast their inputs correctly and then call a strided 1-d version of the routine as the inner-loop. This 1-d version is usually optimized for speed and for this reason the loop should be performed over the axis that won’t require large stride jumps.

## 11.4.10 Neighborhood iterator

New in version 1.4.0.

Neighborhood iterators are subclasses of the iterator object, and can be used to iter over a neighborhood of a point. For example, you may want to iterate over every voxel of a 3d image, and for every such voxel, iterate over an hypercube. Neighborhood iterator automatically handle boundaries, thus making this kind of code much easier to write than manual boundaries handling, at the cost of a slight overhead.

```
PyObject *PyArray_NeighborhoodIterNew (PyArrayIterObject *iter, npy_intp bounds, int mode,
                                         PyArrayObject *fill_value)
```

This function creates a new neighborhood iterator from an existing iterator. The neighborhood will be computed relatively to the position currently pointed by *iter*, the bounds define the shape of the neighborhood iterator, and the mode argument the boundaries handling mode.

The *bounds* argument is expected to be a (2 \* *iter->ao->nd*) arrays, such as the range bound[2\*i]->bounds[2\*i+1] defines the range where to walk for dimension i (both bounds are included in the walked coordinates). The bounds should be ordered for each dimension (bounds[2\*i] <= bounds[2\*i+1]).

The mode should be one of:

**NPY\_NEIGHBORHOOD\_ITER\_ZERO\_PADDING**

Zero padding. Outside bounds values will be 0.

**NPY\_NEIGHBORHOOD\_ITER\_ONE\_PADDING**

One padding, Outside bounds values will be 1.

**NPY\_NEIGHBORHOOD\_ITER\_CONSTANT\_PADDING**

Constant padding. Outside bounds values will be the same as the first item in *fill\_value*.

**NPY\_NEIGHBORHOOD\_ITER\_MIRROR\_PADDING**

Mirror padding. Outside bounds values will be as if the array items were mirrored. For example, for the array [1, 2, 3, 4], x[-2] will be 2, x[-1] will be 1, x[4] will be 4, x[5] will be 1, etc...

**NPY\_NEIGHBORHOOD\_ITER\_CIRCULAR\_PADDING**

Circular padding. Outside bounds values will be as if the array was repeated. For example, for the array [1, 2, 3, 4], x[-2] will be 3, x[-1] will be 4, x[4] will be 1, x[5] will be 2, etc...

If the mode is constant filling (*NPY\_NEIGHBORHOOD\_ITER\_CONSTANT\_PADDING*), *fill\_value* should point to an array object which holds the filling value (the first item will be the filling value if the array contains more than one item). For other cases, *fill\_value* may be NULL.

- The iterator holds a reference to *iter*
- Return NULL on failure (in which case the reference count of *iter* is not changed)

- iter itself can be a Neighborhood iterator: this can be useful for .e.g automatic boundaries handling
- the object returned by this function should be safe to use as a normal iterator
- If the position of iter is changed, any subsequent call to PyArrayNeighborhoodIter\_Next is undefined behavior, and PyArrayNeighborhoodIter\_Reset must be called.
- If the position of iter is not the beginning of the data and the underlying data for iter is contiguous, the iterator will point to the start of the data instead of position pointed by iter. To avoid this situation, iter should be moved to the required position only after the creation of iterator, and PyArrayNeighborhoodIter\_Reset must be called.

```

PyArrayIterObject *iter;
PyArrayNeighborhoodIterObject *neigh_iter;
iter = PyArray_IterNew(x);

/*For a 3x3 kernel */
bounds = {-1, 1, -1, 1};
neigh_iter = (PyArrayNeighborhoodIterObject*)PyArray_NeighborhoodIterNew(
    iter, bounds, NPY_NEIGHBORHOOD_ITER_ZERO_PADDING, NULL);

for(i = 0; i < iter->size; ++i) {
    for (j = 0; j < neigh_iter->size; ++j) {
        /* Walk around the item currently pointed by iter->dataptr */
        PyArrayNeighborhoodIter_Next(neigh_iter);
    }

    /* Move to the next point of iter */
    PyArrayIter_Next(iter);
    PyArrayNeighborhoodIter_Reset(neigh_iter);
}

```

**int PyArrayNeighborhoodIter\_Reset (PyArrayNeighborhoodIterObject \*iter)**

Reset the iterator position to the first point of the neighborhood. This should be called whenever the iter argument given at PyArray\_NeighborhoodIterObject is changed (see example)

**int PyArrayNeighborhoodIter\_Next (PyArrayNeighborhoodIterObject \*iter)**

After this call, iter->dataptr points to the next point of the neighborhood. Calling this function after every point of the neighborhood has been visited is undefined.

### 11.4.11 Array mapping

Array mapping is the machinery behind advanced indexing.

**PyObject \*PyArray\_MapIterArray (PyArrayObject \*a, PyObject \*index)**

Use advanced indexing to iterate an array.

**void PyArray\_MapIterSwapAxes (PyArrayMapIterObject \*mit, PyArrayObject \*\*ret, int getmap)**

Swap the axes to or from their inserted form. MapIter always puts the advanced (array) indices first in the iteration. But if they are consecutive, it will insert/transpose them back before returning. This is stored as mit->consec != 0 (the place where they are inserted). For assignments, the opposite happens: the values to be assigned are transposed (getmap=1 instead of getmap=0). getmap=0 and getmap=1 undo the other operation.

**void PyArray\_MapIterNext (PyArrayMapIterObject \*mit)**

This function needs to update the state of the map iterator and point mit->dataptr to the memory-location of the next object.

Note that this function never handles an extra operand but provides compatibility for an old (exposed) API.

```
PyObject *PyArray_MapIterArrayCopyIfOverlap (PyArrayObject *a, PyObject *index, int
                                            copy_if_overlap, PyArrayObject *extra_op)
```

Similar to `PyArray_MapIterArray` but with an additional `copy_if_overlap` argument. If `copy_if_overlap != 0`, checks if `a` has memory overlap with any of the arrays in `index` and with `extra_op`, and make copies as appropriate to avoid problems if the input is modified during the iteration. `iter->array` may contain a copied array (WRITEBACKIFCOPY set).

## 11.4.12 Array Scalars

```
PyObject *PyArray_Return (PyArrayObject *arr)
```

This function steals a reference to `arr`.

This function checks to see if `arr` is a 0-dimensional array and, if so, returns the appropriate array scalar. It should be used whenever 0-dimensional arrays could be returned to Python.

```
PyObject *PyArray_Scalar (void *data, PyArray_Descr *dtype, PyObject *base)
```

Return an array scalar object of the given `dtype` by **copying** from memory pointed to by `data`. `base` is expected to be the array object that is the owner of the data. `base` is required if `dtype` is a `void` scalar, or if the `NPY_USE_GETITEM` flag is set and it is known that the `getitem` method uses the `arr` argument without checking if it is `NULL`. Otherwise `base` may be `NULL`.

If the data is not in native byte order (as indicated by `dtype->byteorder`) then this function will byteswap the data, because array scalars are always in correct machine-byte order.

```
PyObject *PyArray_ToScalar (void *data, PyArrayObject *arr)
```

Return an array scalar object of the type and itemsize indicated by the array object `arr` copied from the memory pointed to by `data` and swapping if the data in `arr` is not in machine byte-order.

```
PyObject *PyArray_FromScalar (PyObject *scalar, PyArray_Descr *outcode)
```

Return a 0-dimensional array of type determined by `outcode` from `scalar` which should be an array-scalar object. If `outcode` is `NULL`, then the type is determined from `scalar`.

```
void PyArray_ScalarAsCtype (PyObject *scalar, void *ctypeptr)
```

Return in `ctypeptr` a pointer to the actual value in an array scalar. There is no error checking so `scalar` must be an array-scalar object, and `ctypeptr` must have enough space to hold the correct type. For flexible-sized types, a pointer to the data is copied into the memory of `ctypeptr`, for all other types, the actual data is copied into the address pointed to by `ctypeptr`.

```
void PyArray_CastScalarToCtype (PyObject *scalar, void *ctypeptr, PyArray_Descr *outcode)
```

Return the data (cast to the data type indicated by `outcode`) from the array-scalar, `scalar`, into the memory pointed to by `ctypeptr` (which must be large enough to handle the incoming memory).

```
PyObject *PyArray_TypeObjectFromType (int type)
```

Returns a scalar type-object from a type-number, `type`. Equivalent to `PyArray_DescrFromType (type)->typeobj` except for reference counting and error-checking. Returns a new reference to the typeobject on success or `NULL` on failure.

```
NPY_SCALAR_KIND PyArray_ScalarKind (int typenum, PyArrayObject **arr)
```

See the function `PyArray_MinScalarType` for an alternative mechanism introduced in NumPy 1.6.0.

Return the kind of scalar represented by `typenum` and the array in `*arr` (if `arr` is not `NULL`). The array is assumed to be rank-0 and only used if `typenum` represents a signed integer. If `arr` is not `NULL` and the first element is negative then `NPY_INTNEG_SCALAR` is returned, otherwise `NPY_INTPOS_SCALAR` is returned. The possible return values are the enumerated values in `NPY_SCALAR_KIND`.

int **PyArray\_CanCoerceScalar** (char thistype, char neededtype, *NPY\_SCALAR\_KIND* scalar)

See the function *PyArray\_ResultType* for details of NumPy type promotion, updated in NumPy 1.6.0.

Implements the rules for scalar coercion. Scalars are only silently coerced from thistype to needed-type if this function returns nonzero. If scalar is *NPY\_NOSCALAR*, then this function is equivalent to *PyArray\_CanCastSafely*. The rule is that scalars of the same KIND can be coerced into arrays of the same KIND. This rule means that high-precision scalars will never cause low-precision arrays of the same KIND to be upcast.

## 11.4.13 Data-type descriptors

**Warning:** Data-type objects must be reference counted so be aware of the action on the data-type reference of different C-API calls. The standard rule is that when a data-type object is returned it is a new reference. Functions that take *PyArray\_Descr\** objects and return arrays steal references to the data-type their inputs unless otherwise noted. Therefore, you must own a reference to any data-type object used as input to such a function.

int **PyArray\_DescrCheck** (*PyObject* \*obj)

Evaluates as true if *obj* is a data-type object (*PyArray\_Descr\**).

*PyArray\_Descr* \***PyArray\_DescrNew** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*obj)

Return a new data-type object copied from *obj* (the fields reference is just updated so that the new object points to the same fields dictionary if any).

*PyArray\_Descr* \***PyArray\_DescrNewFromType** (int typenum)

Create a new data-type object from the built-in (or user-registered) data-type indicated by *typenum*. All builtin types should not have any of their fields changed. This creates a new copy of the *PyArray\_Descr* structure so that you can fill it in as appropriate. This function is especially needed for flexible data-types which need to have a new elsize member in order to be meaningful in array construction.

*PyArray\_Descr* \***PyArray\_DescrNewByteorder** (*PyArray\_Descr* \*obj, char newendian)

Create a new data-type object with the byteorder set according to *newendian*. All referenced data-type objects (in subdescr and fields members of the data-type object) are also changed (recursively).

The value of *newendian* is one of these macros:

**NPY\_IGNORE**  
**NPY\_SWAP**  
**NPY\_NATIVE**  
**NPY\_LITTLE**  
**NPY\_BIG**

If a byteorder of *NPY\_IGNORE* is encountered it is left alone. If newendian is *NPY\_SWAP*, then all byte-orders are swapped. Other valid newendian values are *NPY\_NATIVE*, *NPY\_LITTLE*, and *NPY\_BIG* which all cause the returned data-typed descriptor (and all its referenced data-type descriptors) to have the corresponding byte-order.

*PyArray\_Descr* \***PyArray\_DescrFromObject** (*PyObject* \*op, *PyArray\_Descr* \*mintype)

Determine an appropriate data-type object from the object *op* (which should be a “nested” sequence object) and the minimum data-type descriptor mintype (which can be NULL). Similar in behavior to array(*op*).dtype. Don’t confuse this function with *PyArray\_DescrConverter*. This function essentially looks at all the objects in the (nested) sequence and determines the data-type from the elements it finds.

`PyArray_Descr *PyArray_DescrFromScalar (PyObject *scalar)`

Return a data-type object from an array-scalar object. No checking is done to be sure that `scalar` is an array scalar. If no suitable data-type can be determined, then a data-type of `NPY_OBJECT` is returned by default.

`PyArray_Descr *PyArray_DescrFromType (int typenum)`

Returns a data-type object corresponding to `typenum`. The `typenum` can be one of the enumerated types, a character code for one of the enumerated types, or a user-defined type. If you want to use a flexible size array, then you need to `flexible typenum` and set the results `elsize` parameter to the desired size. The `typenum` is one of the `NPY_TYPES`.

`int PyArray_DescrConverter (PyObject *obj, PyArray_Descr **dtype)`

Convert any compatible Python object, `obj`, to a data-type object in `dtype`. A large number of Python objects can be converted to data-type objects. See `Data type objects (dtype)` for a complete description. This version of the converter converts None objects to a `NPY_DEFAULT_TYPE` data-type object. This function can be used with the “O&” character code in `PyArg_ParseTuple` processing.

`int PyArray_DescrConverter2 (PyObject *obj, PyArray_Descr **dtype)`

Convert any compatible Python object, `obj`, to a data-type object in `dtype`. This version of the converter converts None objects so that the returned data-type is NULL. This function can also be used with the “O&” character in `PyArg_ParseTuple` processing.

`int Pyarray_DescrAlignConverter (PyObject *obj, PyArray_Descr **dtype)`

Like `PyArray_DescrConverter` except it aligns C-struct-like objects on word-boundaries as the compiler would.

`int Pyarray_DescrAlignConverter2 (PyObject *obj, PyArray_Descr **dtype)`

Like `PyArray_DescrConverter2` except it aligns C-struct-like objects on word-boundaries as the compiler would.

`PyObject *PyArray_FieldNames (PyObject *dict)`

Take the fields dictionary, `dict`, such as the one attached to a data-type object and construct an ordered-list of field names such as is stored in the `names` field of the `PyArray_Descr` object.

## 11.4.14 Conversion Utilities

### For use with `PyArg_ParseTuple`

All of these functions can be used in `PyArg_ParseTuple (...)` with the “O&” format specifier to automatically convert any Python object to the required C-object. All of these functions return `NPY_SUCCEED` if successful and `NPY_FAIL` if not. The first argument to all of these function is a Python object. The second argument is the **address** of the C-type to convert the Python object to.

**Warning:** Be sure to understand what steps you should take to manage the memory when using these conversion functions. These functions can require freeing memory, and/or altering the reference counts of specific objects based on your use.

`int PyArray_Converter (PyObject *obj, PyObject **address)`

Convert any Python object to a `PyArrayObject`. If `PyArray_Check (obj)` is TRUE then its reference count is incremented and a reference placed in `address`. If `obj` is not an array, then convert it to an array using `PyArray_FromAny`. No matter what is returned, you must DECREF the object returned by this routine in `address` when you are done with it.

```
int PyArray_OutputConverter (PyObject *obj, PyArrayObject **address)
```

This is a default converter for output arrays given to functions. If *obj* is `Py_None` or `NULL`, then `*address` will be `NULL` but the call will succeed. If `PyArray_Check (obj)` is `TRUE` then it is returned in `*address` without incrementing its reference count.

```
int PyArray_IntpConverter (PyObject *obj, PyArray_Dims *seq)
```

Convert any Python sequence, *obj*, smaller than `NPY_MAXDIMS` to a C-array of `npy_intp`. The Python object could also be a single number. The *seq* variable is a pointer to a structure with members `ptr` and `len`. On successful return, `seq->ptr` contains a pointer to memory that must be freed, by calling `PyDimMem_FREE`, to avoid a memory leak. The restriction on memory size allows this converter to be conveniently used for sequences intended to be interpreted as array shapes.

```
int PyArray_BufferConverter (PyObject *obj, PyArray_Chunk *buf)
```

Convert any Python object, *obj*, with a (single-segment) buffer interface to a variable with members that detail the object's use of its chunk of memory. The *buf* variable is a pointer to a structure with `base`, `ptr`, `len`, and `flags` members. The `PyArray_Chunk` structure is binary compatible with the Python's buffer object (through its `len` member on 32-bit platforms and its `ptr` member on 64-bit platforms or in Python 2.5). On return, the `base` member is set to *obj* (or its `base` if *obj* is already a buffer object pointing to another object). If you need to hold on to the memory be sure to `INCREF` the `base` member. The chunk of memory is pointed to by `buf->ptr` member and has length `buf->len`. The `flags` member of *buf* is `NPY_ARRAY_ALIGNED` with the `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEABLE` flag set if *obj* has a writeable buffer interface.

```
int PyArray_AxisConverter (PyObject *obj, int *axis)
```

Convert a Python object, *obj*, representing an axis argument to the proper value for passing to the functions that take an integer axis. Specifically, if *obj* is `None`, *axis* is set to `NPY_MAXDIMS` which is interpreted correctly by the C-API functions that take axis arguments.

```
int PyArray_BoolConverter (PyObject *obj, npy_bool *value)
```

Convert any Python object, *obj*, to `NPY_TRUE` or `NPY_FALSE`, and place the result in *value*.

```
int PyArray_BytorderConverter (PyObject *obj, char *endian)
```

Convert Python strings into the corresponding byte-order character: '`>`', '`<`', '`s`', '`=`', or '`l`'.

```
int PyArray_SortkindConverter (PyObject *obj, NPY_SORTKIND *sort)
```

Convert Python strings into one of `NPY_QUICKSORT` (starts with 'q' or 'Q'), `NPY_HEAPSORT` (starts with 'h' or 'H'), `NPY_MERGESORT` (starts with 'm' or 'M') or `NPY_STABLESORT` (starts with 't' or 'T'). `NPY_MERGESORT` and `NPY_STABLESORT` are aliased to each other for backwards compatibility and may refer to one of several stable sorting algorithms depending on the data type.

```
int PyArray_SearchsideConverter (PyObject *obj, NPY_SEARCHSIDE *side)
```

Convert Python strings into one of `NPY_SEARCHLEFT` (starts with 'l' or 'L'), or `NPY_SEARCHRIGHT` (starts with 'r' or 'R').

```
int PyArray_OrderConverter (PyObject *obj, NPY_ORDER *order)
```

Convert the Python strings 'C', 'F', 'A', and 'K' into the `NPY_ORDER` enumeration `NPY_CORDER`, `NPY_FORTRANORDER`, `NPY_ANYORDER`, and `NPY_KEEPORDER`.

```
int PyArray_CastingConverter (PyObject *obj, NPY_CASTING *casting)
```

Convert the Python strings 'no', 'equiv', 'safe', 'same\_kind', and 'unsafe' into the `NPY_CASTING` enumeration `NPY_NO_CASTING`, `NPY_EQUIV_CASTING`, `NPY_SAFE_CASTING`, `NPY_SAME_KIND_CASTING`, and `NPY_UNSAFE_CASTING`.

```
int PyArray_ClipmodeConverter (PyObject *object, NPY_CLIPMODE *val)
```

Convert the Python strings 'clip', 'wrap', and 'raise' into the `NPY_CLIPMODE` enumeration `NPY_CLIP`, `NPY_WRAP`, and `NPY_RAISE`.

```
int PyArray_ConvertClipmodeSequence (PyObject *object, NPY_CLIPMODE *modes, int n)
```

Converts either a sequence of clipmodes or a single clipmode into a C array of `NPY_CLIPMODE` values. The number of clipmodes *n* must be known before calling this function. This function is provided to help functions allow a different clipmode for each dimension.

## Other conversions

```
int PyArray_PyIntAsInt (PyObject *op)
```

Convert all kinds of Python objects (including arrays and array scalars) to a standard integer. On error, -1 is returned and an exception set. You may find useful the macro:

```
#define error_converting(x) (((x) == -1) && PyErr_Occurred())
```

```
npy_intp PyArray_PyIntAsIntp (PyObject *op)
```

Convert all kinds of Python objects (including arrays and array scalars) to a (platform-pointer-sized) integer. On error, -1 is returned and an exception set.

```
int PyArray_IntpFromSequence (PyObject *seq, npy_intp *vals, int maxvals)
```

Convert any Python sequence (or single Python number) passed in as *seq* to (up to) *maxvals* pointer-sized integers and place them in the *vals* array. The sequence can be smaller than *maxvals* as the number of converted objects is returned.

```
int PyArray_TypestrConvert (int itemsize, int gentype)
```

Convert typestring characters (with *itemsize*) to basic enumerated data types. The typestring character corresponding to signed and unsigned integers, floating point numbers, and complex-floating point numbers are recognized and converted. Other values of gentype are returned. This function can be used to convert, for example, the string 'f4' to `NPY_FLOAT32`.

## 11.4.15 Miscellaneous

### Importing the API

In order to make use of the C-API from another extension module, the `import_array` function must be called. If the extension module is self-contained in a single .c file, then that is all that needs to be done. If, however, the extension module involves multiple files where the C-API is needed then some additional steps must be taken.

```
void import_array (void)
```

This function must be called in the initialization section of a module that will make use of the C-API. It imports the module where the function-pointer table is stored and points the correct variable to it.

```
PY_ARRAY_UNIQUE_SYMBOL
```

```
NO_IMPORT_ARRAY
```

Using these #defines you can use the C-API in multiple files for a single extension module. In each file you must define `PY_ARRAY_UNIQUE_SYMBOL` to some name that will hold the C-API (*e.g.* `myextension_ARRAY_API`). This must be done **before** including the `numpy/arrayobject.h` file. In the module initialization routine you call `import_array`. In addition, in the files that do not have the module initialization sub\_routine define `NO_IMPORT_ARRAY` prior to including `numpy/arrayobject.h`.

Suppose I have two files `coolmodule.c` and `coolhelper.c` which need to be compiled and linked into a single extension module. Suppose `coolmodule.c` contains the required `initcool` module initialization function (with the `import_array()` function called). Then, `coolmodule.c` would have at the top:

```
#define PY_ARRAY_UNIQUE_SYMBOL cool_ARRAY_API
#include "numpy/arrayobject.h"
```

On the other hand, coolhelper.c would contain at the top:

```
#define NO_IMPORT_ARRAY
#define PY_ARRAY_UNIQUE_SYMBOL cool_ARRAY_API
#include "numpy/arrayobject.h"
```

You can also put the common two last lines into an extension-local header file as long as you make sure that `NO_IMPORT_ARRAY` is #defined before #including that file.

Internally, these #defines work as follows:

- If neither is defined, the C-API is declared to be `static void**`, so it is only visible within the compilation unit that #includes `numpy/arrayobject.h`.
- If `PY_ARRAY_UNIQUE_SYMBOL` is #defined, but `NO_IMPORT_ARRAY` is not, the C-API is declared to be `void**`, so that it will also be visible to other compilation units.
- If `NO_IMPORT_ARRAY` is #defined, regardless of whether `PY_ARRAY_UNIQUE_SYMBOL` is, the C-API is declared to be `extern void**`, so it is expected to be defined in another compilation unit.
- Whenever `PY_ARRAY_UNIQUE_SYMBOL` is #defined, it also changes the name of the variable holding the C-API, which defaults to `PyArray_API`, to whatever the macro is #defined to.

## Checking the API Version

Because python extensions are not used in the same way as usual libraries on most platforms, some errors cannot be automatically detected at build time or even runtime. For example, if you build an extension using a function available only for numpy >= 1.3.0, and you import the extension later with numpy 1.2, you will not get an import error (but almost certainly a segmentation fault when calling the function). That's why several functions are provided to check for numpy versions. The macros `NPY_VERSION` and `NPY_FEATURE_VERSION` corresponds to the numpy version used to build the extension, whereas the versions returned by the functions `PyArray_GetNDArrayCVersion` and `PyArray_GetNDArrayCFeatureVersion` corresponds to the runtime numpy's version.

The rules for ABI and API compatibilities can be summarized as follows:

- Whenever `NPY_VERSION != PyArray_GetNDArrayCVersion()`, the extension has to be recompiled (ABI incompatibility).
- `NPY_VERSION == PyArray_GetNDArrayCVersion() and NPY_FEATURE_VERSION <= PyArray_GetNDArrayCFeatureVersion()` means backward compatible changes.

ABI incompatibility is automatically detected in every numpy's version. API incompatibility detection was added in numpy 1.4.0. If you want to support many different numpy versions with one extension binary, you have to build your extension with the lowest `NPY_FEATURE_VERSION` as possible.

### `NPY_VERSION`

The current version of the ndarray object (check to see if this variable is defined to guarantee the `numpy/arrayobject.h` header is being used).

### `NPY_FEATURE_VERSION`

The current version of the C-API.

unsigned int `PyArray_GetNDArrayCVersion` (void)

This just returns the value `NPY_VERSION`. `NPY_VERSION` changes whenever a backward incompatible change at the ABI level. Because it is in the C-API, however, comparing the output of this function from the value defined

in the current header gives a way to test if the C-API has changed thus requiring a re-compilation of extension modules that use the C-API. This is automatically checked in the function `import_array`.

```
unsigned int PyArray_GetNDArrayCFeatureVersion (void)
```

New in version 1.4.0.

This just returns the value `NPY_FEATURE_VERSION`. `NPY_FEATURE_VERSION` changes whenever the API changes (e.g. a function is added). A changed value does not always require a recompile.

## Internal Flexibility

```
int PyArray_SetNumericOps (PyObject *dict)
```

NumPy stores an internal table of Python callable objects that are used to implement arithmetic operations for arrays as well as certain array calculation methods. This function allows the user to replace any or all of these Python objects with their own versions. The keys of the dictionary, `dict`, are the named functions to replace and the paired value is the Python callable object to use. Care should be taken that the function used to replace an internal array operation does not itself call back to that internal array operation (unless you have designed the function to handle that), or an unchecked infinite recursion can result (possibly causing program crash). The key names that represent operations that can be replaced are:

```
add, subtract, multiply, divide, remainder, power, square, reciprocal, ones_like, sqrt, negative, positive, absolute, invert, left_shift, right_shift, bitwise_and, bitwise_xor, bitwise_or, less, less_equal, equal, not_equal, greater, greater_equal, floor_divide, true_divide, logical_or, logical_and, floor, ceil, maximum, minimum, rint.
```

These functions are included here because they are used at least once in the array object's methods. The function returns -1 (without setting a Python Error) if one of the objects being assigned is not callable.

Deprecated since version 1.16.

```
PyObject *PyArray_GetNumericOps (void)
```

Return a Python dictionary containing the callable Python objects stored in the internal arithmetic operation table. The keys of this dictionary are given in the explanation for `PyArray_SetNumericOps`.

Deprecated since version 1.16.

```
void PyArray_SetStringFunction (PyObject *op, int repr)
```

This function allows you to alter the `tp_str` and `tp_repr` methods of the array object to any Python function. Thus you can alter what happens for all arrays when `str(arr)` or `repr(arr)` is called from Python. The function to be called is passed in as `op`. If `repr` is non-zero, then this function will be called in response to `repr(arr)`, otherwise the function will be called in response to `str(arr)`. No check on whether or not `op` is callable is performed. The callable passed in to `op` should expect an array argument and should return a string to be printed.

## Memory management

```
char *PyDataMem_NEW (size_t nbytes)
```

```
void PyDataMem_FREE (char *ptr)
```

```
char *PyDataMem_RENEW (void *ptr, size_t newbytes)
```

Macros to allocate, free, and reallocate memory. These macros are used internally to create arrays.

```
npy_intp *PyDimMem_NEW (int nd)
```

```
void PyDimMem_FREE (char *ptr)
```

`npy_intp *PyDimMem_RENEW` (void \*ptr, size\_t newnd)

Macros to allocate, free, and reallocate dimension and strides memory.

`void *PyArray_malloc` (size\_t nbytes)

`void PyArray_free` (void \*ptr)

`void *PyArray_realloc` (`npy_intp` \*ptr, size\_t nbytes)

These macros use different memory allocators, depending on the constant `NPY_USE_PYMEM`. The system malloc is used when `NPY_USE_PYMEM` is 0, if `NPY_USE_PYMEM` is 1, then the Python memory allocator is used.

#### **NPY\_USE\_PYMEM**

`int PyArray_ResolveWritebackIfCopy` (`PyArrayObject` \*obj)

If `obj`.`flags` has `NPY_ARRAY_WRITEBACKIFCOPY`, this function clears the flags, `DECREF`s `obj->base` and makes it writeable, and sets `obj->base` to NULL. It then copies `obj->data` to `obj->base->data`, and returns the error state of the copy operation. This is the opposite of `PyArray_SetWritebackIfCopyBase`. Usually this is called once you are finished with `obj`, just before `Py_DECREF`(`obj`). It may be called multiple times, or with NULL input. See also `PyArray_DiscardWritebackIfCopy`.

Returns 0 if nothing was done, -1 on error, and 1 if action was taken.

## Threading support

These macros are only meaningful if `NPY_ALLOW_THREADS` evaluates True during compilation of the extension module. Otherwise, these macros are equivalent to whitespace. Python uses a single Global Interpreter Lock (GIL) for each Python process so that only a single thread may execute at a time (even on multi-cpu machines). When calling out to a compiled function that may take time to compute (and does not have side-effects for other threads like updated global variables), the GIL should be released so that other Python threads can run while the time-consuming calculations are performed. This can be accomplished using two groups of macros. Typically, if one macro in a group is used in a code block, all of them must be used in the same code block. Currently, `NPY_ALLOW_THREADS` is defined to the python-defined `WITH_THREADS` constant unless the environment variable `NPY_NOSMP` is set in which case `NPY_ALLOW_THREADS` is defined to be 0.

#### **NPY\_ALLOW\_THREADS**

#### **WITH\_THREADS**

### Group 1

This group is used to call code that may take some time but does not use any Python C-API calls. Thus, the GIL should be released during its calculation.

#### **NPY\_BEGIN\_ALLOW\_THREADS**

Equivalent to `Py_BEGIN_ALLOW_THREADS` except it uses `NPY_ALLOW_THREADS` to determine if the macro is replaced with white-space or not.

#### **NPY\_END\_ALLOW\_THREADS**

Equivalent to `Py_END_ALLOW_THREADS` except it uses `NPY_ALLOW_THREADS` to determine if the macro is replaced with white-space or not.

#### **NPY\_BEGIN\_THREADS\_DEF**

Place in the variable declaration area. This macro sets up the variable needed for storing the Python state.

**NPY\_BEGIN\_THREADS**

Place right before code that does not need the Python interpreter (no Python C-API calls). This macro saves the Python state and releases the GIL.

**NPY\_END\_THREADS**

Place right after code that does not need the Python interpreter. This macro acquires the GIL and restores the Python state from the saved variable.

`void NPY_BEGIN_THREADS_DESCR (PyArray_Descr *dtype)`

Useful to release the GIL only if *dtype* does not contain arbitrary Python objects which may need the Python interpreter during execution of the loop.

`void NPY_END_THREADS_DESCR (PyArray_Descr *dtype)`

Useful to regain the GIL in situations where it was released using the BEGIN form of this macro.

`void NPY_BEGIN_THREADS_THRESHOLDED (int loop_size)`

Useful to release the GIL only if *loop\_size* exceeds a minimum threshold, currently set to 500. Should be matched with a `NPY_END_THREADS` to regain the GIL.

**Group 2**

This group is used to re-acquire the Python GIL after it has been released. For example, suppose the GIL has been released (using the previous calls), and then some path in the code (perhaps in a different subroutine) requires use of the Python C-API, then these macros are useful to acquire the GIL. These macros accomplish essentially a reverse of the previous three (acquire the LOCK saving what state it had) and then re-release it with the saved state.

**NPY\_ALLOW\_C\_API\_DEF**

Place in the variable declaration area to set up the necessary variable.

**NPY\_ALLOW\_C\_API**

Place before code that needs to call the Python C-API (when it is known that the GIL has already been released).

**NPY\_DISABLE\_C\_API**

Place after code that needs to call the Python C-API (to re-release the GIL).

**Tip:** Never use semicolons after the threading support macros.

**Priority****NPY\_PRIORITY**

Default priority for arrays.

**NPY\_SUBTYPE\_PRIORITY**

Default subtype priority.

**NPY\_SCALAR\_PRIORITY**

Default scalar priority (very small)

`double PyArray_GetPriority (PyObject *obj, double def)`

Return the `__array_priority__` attribute (converted to a double) of *obj* or *def* if no attribute of that name exists. Fast returns that avoid the attribute lookup are provided for objects of type `PyArray_Type`.

## Default buffers

### **NPY\_BUFSIZE**

Default size of the user-settable internal buffers.

### **NPY\_MIN\_BUFSIZE**

Smallest size of user-settable internal buffers.

### **NPY\_MAX\_BUFSIZE**

Largest size allowed for the user-settable buffers.

## Other constants

### **NPY\_NUM\_FLOATTYPE**

The number of floating-point types

### **NPY\_MAXDIMS**

The maximum number of dimensions allowed in arrays.

### **NPY\_MAXARGS**

The maximum number of array arguments that can be used in functions.

### **NPY\_FALSE**

Defined as 0 for use with Bool.

### **NPY\_TRUE**

Defined as 1 for use with Bool.

### **NPY\_FAIL**

The return value of failed converter functions which are called using the “O&” syntax in `PyArg_ParseTuple`-like functions.

### **NPY\_SUCCEEDED**

The return value of successful converter functions which are called using the “O&” syntax in `PyArg_ParseTuple`-like functions.

## Miscellaneous Macros

### **int PyArray\_SAMESHAPE (*PyArrayObject* \**a1*, *PyArrayObject* \**a2*)**

Evaluates as True if arrays *a1* and *a2* have the same shape.

### **PyArray\_MAX (a, b)**

Returns the maximum of *a* and *b*. If (*a*) or (*b*) are expressions they are evaluated twice.

### **PyArray\_MIN (a, b)**

Returns the minimum of *a* and *b*. If (*a*) or (*b*) are expressions they are evaluated twice.

### **PyArray\_CLT (a, b)**

### **PyArray\_CGT (a, b)**

### **PyArray\_CLE (a, b)**

### **PyArray\_CGE (a, b)**

**PyArray\_CEQ** (a, b)

**PyArray\_CNE** (a, b)

Implements the complex comparisons between two complex numbers (structures with a real and imag member) using NumPy's definition of the ordering which is lexicographic: comparing the real parts first and then the complex parts if the real parts are equal.

*npy\_intp* **PyArray\_REFCOUNT** (PyObject \*op)

Returns the reference count of any Python object.

void **PyArray\_DiscardWritebackIfCopy** (PyObject \*obj)

If *obj*.flags has *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY*, this function clears the flags, *DECREF*'s *obj->base* and makes it writeable, and sets *obj->base* to NULL. In contrast to *PyArray\_DiscardWritebackIfCopy* it makes no attempt to copy the data from *obj->base*. This undoes *PyArray\_SetWritebackIfCopyBase*. Usually this is called after an error when you are finished with *obj*, just before *Py\_DECREF*(*obj*). It may be called multiple times, or with NULL input.

void **PyArray\_XDECREF\_ERR** (PyObject \*obj)

Deprecated in 1.14, use *PyArray\_DiscardWritebackIfCopy* followed by *Py\_XDECREF*

*DECREF*'s an array object which may have the *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEBACKIFCOPY* flag set without causing the contents to be copied back into the original array. Resets the *NPY\_ARRAY\_WRITEABLE* flag on the base object. This is useful for recovering from an error condition when writeback semantics are used, but will lead to wrong results.

## Enumerated Types

enum **NPY\_SORTKIND**

A special variable-type which can take on different values to indicate the sorting algorithm being used.

enumerator **NPY\_QUICKSORT**

enumerator **NPY\_HEAPSORT**

enumerator **NPY\_MERGESORT**

enumerator **NPY\_STABLESORT**

Used as an alias of *NPY\_MERGESORT* and vica versa.

enumerator **NPY\_NSORTS**

Defined to be the number of sorts. It is fixed at three by the need for backwards compatibility, and consequently *NPY\_MERGESORT* and *NPY\_STABLESORT* are aliased to each other and may refer to one of several stable sorting algorithms depending on the data type.

enum **NPY\_SCALAR\_KIND**

A special variable type indicating the number of “kinds” of scalars distinguished in determining scalar-coercion rules. This variable can take on the values:

enumerator **NPY\_NOSCALAR**

enumerator **NPY\_BOOL\_SCALAR**

enumerator **NPY\_INTPOS\_SCALAR**

enumerator **NPY\_INTNEG\_SCALAR**

enumerator **NPY\_FLOAT\_SCALAR**

enumerator **NPY\_COMPLEX\_SCALAR**

enumerator **NPY\_OBJECT\_SCALAR**

enumerator **NPY\_NSCALAR\_KINDS**

Defined to be the number of scalar kinds (not including *NPY\_NOSCALAR*).

enum **NPY\_ORDER**

An enumeration type indicating the element order that an array should be interpreted in. When a brand new array is created, generally only **NPY\_CORDER** and **NPY\_FORTRANORDER** are used, whereas when one or more inputs are provided, the order can be based on them.

enumerator **NPY\_ANYORDER**

Fortran order if all the inputs are Fortran, C otherwise.

enumerator **NPY\_CORDER**

C order.

enumerator **NPY\_FORTRANORDER**

Fortran order.

enumerator **NPY\_KEEPORDER**

An order as close to the order of the inputs as possible, even if the input is in neither C nor Fortran order.

enum **NPY\_CLIPMODE**

A variable type indicating the kind of clipping that should be applied in certain functions.

enumerator **NPY\_RAISE**

The default for most operations, raises an exception if an index is out of bounds.

enumerator **NPY\_CLIP**

Clips an index to the valid range if it is out of bounds.

enumerator **NPY\_WRAP**

Wraps an index to the valid range if it is out of bounds.

enum **NPY\_SEARCHSIDE**

A variable type indicating whether the index returned should be that of the first suitable location (if *NPY\_SEARCHLEFT*) or of the last (if *NPY\_SEARCHRIGHT*).

enumerator **NPY\_SEARCHLEFT**

enumerator **NPY\_SEARCHRIGHT**

enum **NPY\_SELECTKIND**

A variable type indicating the selection algorithm being used.

enumerator **NPY\_INTROSELECT**

enum **NPY\_CASTING**

New in version 1.6.

An enumeration type indicating how permissive data conversions should be. This is used by the iterator added in NumPy 1.6, and is intended to be used more broadly in a future version.

enumerator **NPY\_NO\_CASTING**

Only allow identical types.

**enumerator NPY\_EQUIV\_CASTING**

Allow identical and casts involving byte swapping.

**enumerator NPY\_SAFE\_CASTING**

Only allow casts which will not cause values to be rounded, truncated, or otherwise changed.

**enumerator NPY\_SAME\_KIND\_CASTING**

Allow any safe casts, and casts between types of the same kind. For example, float64 -> float32 is permitted with this rule.

**enumerator NPY\_UNSAFE\_CASTING**

Allow any cast, no matter what kind of data loss may occur.

## 11.5 Array Iterator API

New in version 1.6.

### 11.5.1 Array Iterator

The array iterator encapsulates many of the key features in ufuncs, allowing user code to support features like output parameters, preservation of memory layouts, and buffering of data with the wrong alignment or type, without requiring difficult coding.

This page documents the API for the iterator. The iterator is named `NpyIter` and functions are named `NpyIter_*`.

There is an [introductory guide to array iteration](#) which may be of interest for those using this C API. In many instances, testing out ideas by creating the iterator in Python is a good idea before writing the C iteration code.

### 11.5.2 Simple Iteration Example

The best way to become familiar with the iterator is to look at its usage within the NumPy codebase itself. For example, here is a slightly tweaked version of the code for `PyArray_CountNonzero`, which counts the number of non-zero elements in an array.

```
npy_intp PyArray_CountNonzero(PyArrayObject* self)
{
    /* Nonzero boolean function */
    PyArray_NonzeroFunc* nonzero = PyArray_DESCR(self)->f->nonzero;

    NpyIter* iter;
    NpyIter_IterNextFunc *iternext;
    char** dataptr;
    npy_intp nonzero_count;
    npy_intp* strideptr,* innersizeptr;

    /* Handle zero-sized arrays specially */
    if (PyArray_SIZE(self) == 0) {
        return 0;
    }

    /*
     * Create and use an iterator to count the nonzeros.
     * flag NPY_ITER_READONLY
    */
}
```

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*      - The array is never written to.
*      flag NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP
*          - Inner loop is done outside the iterator for efficiency.
*      flag NPY_ITER_NPY_ITER_REFS_OK
*          - Reference types are acceptable.
*      order NPY_KEEPORDER
*          - Visit elements in memory order, regardless of strides.
*          This is good for performance when the specific order
*          elements are visited is unimportant.
*      casting NPY_NO_CASTING
*          - No casting is required for this operation.
*/
iter = NpyIter_New(self, NPY_ITER_READONLY |
                    NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP |
                    NPY_ITER_REFS_OK,
                    NPY_KEEPORDER, NPY_NO_CASTING,
                    NULL);
if (iter == NULL) {
    return -1;
}

/*
 * The iternext function gets stored in a local variable
 * so it can be called repeatedly in an efficient manner.
 */
iternext = NpyIter_GetIterNext(iter, NULL);
if (iternext == NULL) {
    NpyIter_Deallocate(iter);
    return -1;
}
/* The location of the data pointer which the iterator may update */
dataptr = NpyIter_GetDataPtrArray(iter);
/* The location of the stride which the iterator may update */
strideptr = NpyIter_GetInnerStrideArray(iter);
/* The location of the inner loop size which the iterator may update */
innersizeptr = NpyIter_GetInnerLoopSizePtr(iter);

nonzero_count = 0;
do {
    /* Get the inner loop data/stride/count values */
    char* data = *dataptr;
    npy_intp stride = *strideptr;
    npy_intp count = *innersizeptr;

    /* This is a typical inner loop for NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP */
    while (count--) {
        if (nonzero(data, self)) {
            ++nonzero_count;
        }
        data += stride;
    }

    /* Increment the iterator to the next inner loop */
} while(iternext(iter));

NpyIter_Deallocate(iter);

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    return nonzero_count;
}

```

### 11.5.3 Simple Multi-Iteration Example

Here is a simple copy function using the iterator. The `order` parameter is used to control the memory layout of the allocated result, typically `NPY_KEEPORDER` is desired.

```

PyObject *CopyArray(PyObject *arr, NPY_ORDER order)
{
    NpyIter *iter;
    NpyIter_IterNextFunc *iternext;
    PyObject *op[2], *ret;
    npy_uint32 flags;
    npy_uint32 op_flags[2];
    npy_intp itemsize, *innersizeptr, innerstride;
    char **dataptrarray;

    /*
     * No inner iteration - inner loop is handled by CopyArray code
     */
    flags = NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP;
    /*
     * Tell the constructor to automatically allocate the output.
     * The data type of the output will match that of the input.
     */
    op[0] = arr;
    op[1] = NULL;
    op_flags[0] = NPY_ITER_READONLY;
    op_flags[1] = NPY_ITER_WRITEONLY | NPY_ITER_ALLOCATE;

    /* Construct the iterator */
    iter = NpyIter_MultiNew(2, op, flags, order, NPY_NO_CASTING,
                           op_flags, NULL);
    if (iter == NULL) {
        return NULL;
    }

    /*
     * Make a copy of the iternext function pointer and
     * a few other variables the inner loop needs.
     */
    iternext = NpyIter_GetIterNext(iter, NULL);
    innerstride = NpyIter_GetInnerStrideArray(iter)[0];
    itemsize = NpyIter_GetDescrArray(iter)[0]->elsize;
    /*
     * The inner loop size and data pointers may change during the
     * loop, so just cache the addresses.
     */
    innersizeptr = NpyIter_GetInnerLoopSizePtr(iter);
    dataptrarray = NpyIter_GetDataPtrArray(iter);

    /*
     * Note that because the iterator allocated the output,
     * it matches the iteration order and is packed tightly,

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 * so we don't need to check it like the input.
 */
if (innerstride == itemsize) {
    do {
        memcpy(dataptrarray[1], dataptrarray[0],
               itemsize * (*innersizeptr));
    } while (iternext(iter));
} else {
    /* For efficiency, should specialize this based on item size... */
    npy_intp i;
    do {
        npy_intp size = *innersizeptr;
        char *src = dataptrarray[0], *dst = dataptrarray[1];
        for(i = 0; i < size; i++, src += innerstride, dst += itemsize) {
            memcpy(dst, src, itemsize);
        }
    } while (iternext(iter));
}

/* Get the result from the iterator object array */
ret = NpyIter_GetOperandArray(iter)[1];
Py_INCREF(ret);

if (NpyIter_Deallocate(iter) != NPY_SUCCEED) {
    Py_DECREF(ret);
    return NULL;
}

return ret;
}

```

## 11.5.4 Iterator Data Types

The iterator layout is an internal detail, and user code only sees an incomplete struct.

**type `NpyIter`**

This is an opaque pointer type for the iterator. Access to its contents can only be done through the iterator API.

**type `NpyIter_Type`**

This is the type which exposes the iterator to Python. Currently, no API is exposed which provides access to the values of a Python-created iterator. If an iterator is created in Python, it must be used in Python and vice versa. Such an API will likely be created in a future version.

**type `NpyIter_IterNextFunc`**

This is a function pointer for the iteration loop, returned by `NpyIter_GetIterNext`.

**type `NpyIter_GetMultiIndexFunc`**

This is a function pointer for getting the current iterator multi-index, returned by `NpyIter_GetGetMultiIndex`.

## 11.5.5 Construction and Destruction

```
NpyIter *NpyIter_New (PyArrayObject *op, npy_uint32 flags, NPY_ORDER order, NPY_CASTING casting,
                      PyArray_Descr *dtype)
```

Creates an iterator for the given numpy array object op.

Flags that may be passed in flags are any combination of the global and per-operand flags documented in `NpyIter_MultiNew`, except for `NPY_ITER_ALLOCATE`.

Any of the `NPY_ORDER` enum values may be passed to order. For efficient iteration, `NPY_KEEPORDER` is the best option, and the other orders enforce the particular iteration pattern.

Any of the `NPY_CASTING` enum values may be passed to casting. The values include `NPY_NO_CASTING`, `NPY_EQUIV_CASTING`, `NPY_SAFE_CASTING`, `NPY_SAME_KIND_CASTING`, and `NPY_UNSAFE_CASTING`. To allow the casts to occur, copying or buffering must also be enabled.

If dtype isn't NULL, then it requires that data type. If copying is allowed, it will make a temporary copy if the data is castable. If `NPY_ITER_UPDATEIFCOPY` is enabled, it will also copy the data back with another cast upon iterator destruction.

Returns NULL if there is an error, otherwise returns the allocated iterator.

To make an iterator similar to the old iterator, this should work.

```
iter = NpyIter_New(op, NPY_ITER_READWRITE,
                    NPY_CORDER, NPY_NO_CASTING, NULL);
```

If you want to edit an array with aligned double code, but the order doesn't matter, you would use this.

```
dtype = PyArray_DescrFromType(NPY_DOUBLE);
iter = NpyIter_New(op, NPY_ITER_READWRITE |
                    NPY_ITER_BUFFERED |
                    NPY_ITER_NBO |
                    NPY_ITER_ALIGNED,
                    NPY_KEEPORDER,
                    NPY_SAME_KIND_CASTING,
                    dtype);
Py_DECREF(dtype);
```

```
NpyIter *NpyIter_MultiNew (npy_intp nop, PyArrayObject **op, npy_uint32 flags, NPY_ORDER order,
                           NPY_CASTING casting, npy_uint32 *op_flags, PyArray_Descr **op_dtypes)
```

Creates an iterator for broadcasting the nop array objects provided in op, using regular NumPy broadcasting rules.

Any of the `NPY_ORDER` enum values may be passed to order. For efficient iteration, `NPY_KEEPORDER` is the best option, and the other orders enforce the particular iteration pattern. When using `NPY_KEEPORDER`, if you also want to ensure that the iteration is not reversed along an axis, you should pass the flag `NPY_ITER_DONT_NEGATE_STRIDES`.

Any of the `NPY_CASTING` enum values may be passed to casting. The values include `NPY_NO_CASTING`, `NPY_EQUIV_CASTING`, `NPY_SAFE_CASTING`, `NPY_SAME_KIND_CASTING`, and `NPY_UNSAFE_CASTING`. To allow the casts to occur, copying or buffering must also be enabled.

If op\_dtypes isn't NULL, it specifies a data type or NULL for each op[i].

Returns NULL if there is an error, otherwise returns the allocated iterator.

Flags that may be passed in flags, applying to the whole iterator, are:

#### **NPY\_ITER\_C\_INDEX**

Causes the iterator to track a raveled flat index matching C order. This option cannot be used with [NPY\\_ITER\\_F\\_INDEX](#).

#### **NPY\_ITER\_F\_INDEX**

Causes the iterator to track a raveled flat index matching Fortran order. This option cannot be used with [NPY\\_ITER\\_C\\_INDEX](#).

#### **NPY\_ITER\_MULTI\_INDEX**

Causes the iterator to track a multi-index. This prevents the iterator from coalescing axes to produce bigger inner loops. If the loop is also not buffered and no index is being tracked (`NpyIter_RemoveAxis` can be called), then the iterator size can be `-1` to indicate that the iterator is too large. This can happen due to complex broadcasting and will result in errors being created when the setting the iterator range, removing the multi index, or getting the next function. However, it is possible to remove axes again and use the iterator normally if the size is small enough after removal.

#### **NPY\_ITER\_EXTERNAL\_LOOP**

Causes the iterator to skip iteration of the innermost loop, requiring the user of the iterator to handle it.

This flag is incompatible with [NPY\\_ITER\\_C\\_INDEX](#), [NPY\\_ITER\\_F\\_INDEX](#), and [NPY\\_ITER\\_MULTI\\_INDEX](#).

#### **NPY\_ITER\_DONT\_NEGATE\_STRIDES**

This only affects the iterator when [NPY\\_KEEPORDER](#) is specified for the order parameter. By default with [NPY\\_KEEPORDER](#), the iterator reverses axes which have negative strides, so that memory is traversed in a forward direction. This disables this step. Use this flag if you want to use the underlying memory-ordering of the axes, but don't want an axis reversed. This is the behavior of `numpy.ravel(a, order='K')`, for instance.

#### **NPY\_ITER\_COMMON\_DTYPE**

Causes the iterator to convert all the operands to a common data type, calculated based on the ufunc type promotion rules. Copying or buffering must be enabled.

If the common data type is known ahead of time, don't use this flag. Instead, set the requested dtype for all the operands.

#### **NPY\_ITER\_REFS\_OK**

Indicates that arrays with reference types (object arrays or structured arrays containing an object type) may be accepted and used in the iterator. If this flag is enabled, the caller must be sure to check whether `NpyIter_IterationNeedsAPI(iter)` is true, in which case it may not release the GIL during iteration.

#### **NPY\_ITER\_ZEROSIZE\_OK**

Indicates that arrays with a size of zero should be permitted. Since the typical iteration loop does not naturally work with zero-sized arrays, you must check that the IterSize is larger than zero before entering the iteration loop. Currently only the operands are checked, not a forced shape.

#### **NPY\_ITER\_REDUCE\_OK**

Permits writeable operands with a dimension with zero stride and size greater than one. Note that such operands must be read/write.

When buffering is enabled, this also switches to a special buffering mode which reduces the loop length as necessary to not trample on values being reduced.

Note that if you want to do a reduction on an automatically allocated output, you must use `NpyIter_GetOperandArray` to get its reference, then set every value to the reduction unit before doing the iteration loop. In the case of a buffered reduction, this means you must also specify the flag [NPY\\_ITER\\_DELAY\\_BUFAALLOC](#), then reset the iterator after initializing the allocated operand to prepare the buffers.

**NPY\_ITER\_RANGED**

Enables support for iteration of sub-ranges of the full iterindex range  $[0, \text{NpyIter_IterSize}(\text{iter})]$ . Use the function `NpyIter_ResetToIterIndexRange` to specify a range for iteration.

This flag can only be used with `NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP` when `NPY_ITER_BUFFERED` is enabled. This is because without buffering, the inner loop is always the size of the innermost iteration dimension, and allowing it to get cut up would require special handling, effectively making it more like the buffered version.

**NPY\_ITER\_BUFFERED**

Causes the iterator to store buffering data, and use buffering to satisfy data type, alignment, and byte-order requirements. To buffer an operand, do not specify the `NPY_ITER_COPY` or `NPY_ITER_UPDATEIFCOPY` flags, because they will override buffering. Buffering is especially useful for Python code using the iterator, allowing for larger chunks of data at once to amortize the Python interpreter overhead.

If used with `NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP`, the inner loop for the caller may get larger chunks than would be possible without buffering, because of how the strides are laid out.

Note that if an operand is given the flag `NPY_ITER_COPY` or `NPY_ITER_UPDATEIFCOPY`, a copy will be made in preference to buffering. Buffering will still occur when the array was broadcast so elements need to be duplicated to get a constant stride.

In normal buffering, the size of each inner loop is equal to the buffer size, or possibly larger if `NPY_ITER_GROWINNER` is specified. If `NPY_ITER_REDUCE_OK` is enabled and a reduction occurs, the inner loops may become smaller depending on the structure of the reduction.

**NPY\_ITER\_GROWINNER**

When buffering is enabled, this allows the size of the inner loop to grow when buffering isn't necessary. This option is best used if you're doing a straight pass through all the data, rather than anything with small cache-friendly arrays of temporary values for each inner loop.

**NPY\_ITER\_DELAY\_BUFAALLOC**

When buffering is enabled, this delays allocation of the buffers until `NpyIter_Reset` or another reset function is called. This flag exists to avoid wasteful copying of buffer data when making multiple copies of a buffered iterator for multi-threaded iteration.

Another use of this flag is for setting up reduction operations. After the iterator is created, and a reduction output is allocated automatically by the iterator (be sure to use READWRITE access), its value may be initialized to the reduction unit. Use `NpyIter_GetOperandArray` to get the object. Then, call `NpyIter_Reset` to allocate and fill the buffers with their initial values.

**NPY\_ITER\_COPY\_IF\_OVERLAP**

If any write operand has overlap with any read operand, eliminate all overlap by making temporary copies (enabling `UPDATEIFCOPY` for write operands, if necessary). A pair of operands has overlap if there is a memory address that contains data common to both arrays.

Because exact overlap detection has exponential runtime in the number of dimensions, the decision is made based on heuristics, which has false positives (needless copies in unusual cases) but has no false negatives.

If any read/write overlap exists, this flag ensures the result of the operation is the same as if all operands were copied. In cases where copies would need to be made, **the result of the computation may be undefined without this flag!**

Flags that may be passed in `op_flags[i]`, where  $0 \leq i < \text{nop}$ :

**NPY\_ITER\_READWRITE****NPY\_ITER\_READONLY**

**NPY\_ITER\_WRITEONLY**

Indicate how the user of the iterator will read or write to `op[i]`. Exactly one of these flags must be specified per operand. Using `NPY_ITER_READWRITE` or `NPY_ITER_WRITEONLY` for a user-provided operand may trigger `WRITEBACKIFCOPY` semantics. The data will be written back to the original array when `NpyIter_Deallocate` is called.

**NPY\_ITER\_COPY**

Allow a copy of `op[i]` to be made if it does not meet the data type or alignment requirements as specified by the constructor flags and parameters.

**NPY\_ITER\_UPDATEIFCOPY**

Triggers `NPY_ITER_COPY`, and when an array operand is flagged for writing and is copied, causes the data in a copy to be copied back to `op[i]` when `NpyIter_Deallocate` is called.

If the operand is flagged as write-only and a copy is needed, an uninitialized temporary array will be created and then copied to back to `op[i]` on calling `NpyIter_Deallocate`, instead of doing the unnecessary copy operation.

**NPY\_ITER\_NBO****NPY\_ITER\_ALIGNED****NPY\_ITER\_CONTIG**

Causes the iterator to provide data for `op[i]` that is in native byte order, aligned according to the dtype requirements, contiguous, or any combination.

By default, the iterator produces pointers into the arrays provided, which may be aligned or unaligned, and with any byte order. If copying or buffering is not enabled and the operand data doesn't satisfy the constraints, an error will be raised.

The contiguous constraint applies only to the inner loop, successive inner loops may have arbitrary pointer changes.

If the requested data type is in non-native byte order, the NBO flag overrides it and the requested data type is converted to be in native byte order.

**NPY\_ITER\_ALLOCATE**

This is for output arrays, and requires that the flag `NPY_ITER_WRITEONLY` or `NPY_ITER_READWRITE` be set. If `op[i]` is NULL, creates a new array with the final broadcast dimensions, and a layout matching the iteration order of the iterator.

When `op[i]` is NULL, the requested data type `op_dtypes[i]` may be NULL as well, in which case it is automatically generated from the dtypes of the arrays which are flagged as readable. The rules for generating the dtype are the same as for UFuncs. Of special note is handling of byte order in the selected dtype. If there is exactly one input, the input's dtype is used as is. Otherwise, if more than one input dtypes are combined together, the output will be in native byte order.

After being allocated with this flag, the caller may retrieve the new array by calling `NpyIter_GetOperandArray` and getting the i-th object in the returned C array. The caller must call `Py_INCREF` on it to claim a reference to the array.

**NPY\_ITER\_NO\_SUBTYPE**

For use with `NPY_ITER_ALLOCATE`, this flag disables allocating an array subtype for the output, forcing it to be a straight ndarray.

TODO: Maybe it would be better to introduce a function `NpyIter_GetWrappedOutput` and remove this flag?

**NPY\_ITER\_NO\_BROADCAST**

Ensures that the input or output matches the iteration dimensions exactly.

**NPY\_ITER\_ARRAYMASK**

New in version 1.7.

Indicates that this operand is the mask to use for selecting elements when writing to operands which have the `NPY_ITER_WRITEMASKED` flag applied to them. Only one operand may have `NPY_ITER_ARRAYMASK` flag applied to it.

The data type of an operand with this flag should be either `NPY_BOOL`, `NPY_MASK`, or a struct dtype whose fields are all valid mask dtypes. In the latter case, it must match up with a struct operand being WRITEMASKED, as it is specifying a mask for each field of that array.

This flag only affects writing from the buffer back to the array. This means that if the operand is also `NPY_ITER_READWRITE` or `NPY_ITER_WRITEONLY`, code doing iteration can write to this operand to control which elements will be untouched and which ones will be modified. This is useful when the mask should be a combination of input masks.

**NPY\_ITER\_WRITEMASKED**

New in version 1.7.

This array is the mask for all `writemasked` operands. Code uses the `writemasked` flag which indicates that only elements where the chosen ARRAYMASK operand is True will be written to. In general, the iterator does not enforce this, it is up to the code doing the iteration to follow that promise.

When `writemasked` flag is used, and this operand is buffered, this changes how data is copied from the buffer into the array. A masked copying routine is used, which only copies the elements in the buffer for which `writemasked` returns true from the corresponding element in the ARRAYMASK operand.

**NPY\_ITER\_OVERLAP\_ASSUME\_ELEMENTWISE**

In memory overlap checks, assume that operands with `NPY_ITER_OVERLAP_ASSUME_ELEMENTWISE` enabled are accessed only in the iterator order.

This enables the iterator to reason about data dependency, possibly avoiding unnecessary copies.

This flag has effect only if `NPY_ITER_COPY_IF_OVERLAP` is enabled on the iterator.

```
NpyIter *NpyIter_AdvancedNew(npy_intp nop, PyArrayObject **op, npy_uint32 flags, NPY_ORDER order,
                               NPY_CASTING casting, npy_uint32 *op_flags, PyArray_Descr **op_dtypes, int
                               oa_ndim, int **op_axes, npy_intp const *itershape, npy_intp buffersize)
```

Extends `NpyIter_MultiNew` with several advanced options providing more control over broadcasting and buffering.

If -1/NULL values are passed to `oa_ndim`, `op_axes`, `itershape`, and `buffersize`, it is equivalent to `NpyIter_MultiNew`.

The parameter `oa_ndim`, when not zero or -1, specifies the number of dimensions that will be iterated with customized broadcasting. If it is provided, `op_axes` must and `itershape` can also be provided. The `op_axes` parameter let you control in detail how the axes of the operand arrays get matched together and iterated. In `op_axes`, you must provide an array of `nop` pointers to `oa_ndim`-sized arrays of type `npy_intp`. If an entry in `op_axes` is NULL, normal broadcasting rules will apply. In `op_axes[j][i]` is stored either a valid axis of `op[j]`, or -1 which means `newaxis`. Within each `op_axes[j]` array, axes may not be repeated. The following example is how normal broadcasting applies to a 3-D array, a 2-D array, a 1-D array and a scalar.

**Note:** Before NumPy 1.8 `oa_ndim == 0` was used for signalling that ```op_axes` and `itershape` are unused. This is deprecated and should be replaced with -1. Better backward compatibility may be achieved by using `NpyIter_MultiNew` for this case.

```
int oa_ndim = 3;                      /* # iteration axes */
int op0_axes[] = {0, 1, 2};             /* 3-D operand */
int op1_axes[] = {-1, 0, 1};             /* 2-D operand */
```

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```
int op2_axes[] = {-1, -1, 0}; /* 1-D operand */
int op3_axes[] = {-1, -1, -1} /* 0-D (scalar) operand */
int* op_axes[] = {op0_axes, op1_axes, op2_axes, op3_axes};
```

The `itershape` parameter allows you to force the iterator to have a specific iteration shape. It is an array of length `oa_ndim`. When an entry is negative, its value is determined from the operands. This parameter allows automatically allocated outputs to get additional dimensions which don't match up with any dimension of an input.

If `buffersize` is zero, a default buffer size is used, otherwise it specifies how big of a buffer to use. Buffers which are powers of 2 such as 4096 or 8192 are recommended.

Returns NULL if there is an error, otherwise returns the allocated iterator.

### `NpyIter *NpyIter_Copy (NpyIter *iter)`

Makes a copy of the given iterator. This function is provided primarily to enable multi-threaded iteration of the data.

*TODO:* Move this to a section about multithreaded iteration.

The recommended approach to multithreaded iteration is to first create an iterator with the flags `NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP`, `NPY_ITER_RANGED`, `NPY_ITER_BUFFERED`, `NPY_ITER_DELAY_BUFAALLOC`, and possibly `NPY_ITER_GROWINNER`. Create a copy of this iterator for each thread (minus one for the first iterator). Then, take the iteration index range `[0, NpyIter_GetIterSize(iter)]` and split it up into tasks, for example using a TBB parallel\_for loop. When a thread gets a task to execute, it then uses its copy of the iterator by calling `NpyIter_ResetToIterIndexRange` and iterating over the full range.

When using the iterator in multi-threaded code or in code not holding the Python GIL, care must be taken to only call functions which are safe in that context. `NpyIter_Copy` cannot be safely called without the Python GIL, because it increments Python references. The `Reset*` and some other functions may be safely called by passing in the `errormsg` parameter as non-NULL, so that the functions will pass back errors through it instead of setting a Python exception.

`NpyIter_Deallocate` must be called for each copy.

### `int NpyIter_RemoveAxis (NpyIter *iter, int axis)`

Removes an axis from iteration. This requires that `NPY_ITER_MULTI_INDEX` was set for iterator creation, and does not work if buffering is enabled or an index is being tracked. This function also resets the iterator to its initial state.

This is useful for setting up an accumulation loop, for example. The iterator can first be created with all the dimensions, including the accumulation axis, so that the output gets created correctly. Then, the accumulation axis can be removed, and the calculation done in a nested fashion.

**WARNING:** This function may change the internal memory layout of the iterator. Any cached functions or pointers from the iterator must be retrieved again! The iterator range will be reset as well.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

### `int NpyIter_RemoveMultiIndex (NpyIter *iter)`

If the iterator is tracking a multi-index, this strips support for them, and does further iterator optimizations that are possible if multi-indices are not needed. This function also resets the iterator to its initial state.

**WARNING:** This function may change the internal memory layout of the iterator. Any cached functions or pointers from the iterator must be retrieved again!

After calling this function, `NpyIter_HasMultiIndex(iter)` will return false.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

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```
int NpyIter_EnableExternalLoop (NpyIter *iter)
```

If `NpyIter_RemoveMultiIndex` was called, you may want to enable the flag `NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP`. This flag is not permitted together with `NPY_ITER_MULTI_INDEX`, so this function is provided to enable the feature after `NpyIter_RemoveMultiIndex` is called. This function also resets the iterator to its initial state.

**WARNING:** This function changes the internal logic of the iterator. Any cached functions or pointers from the iterator must be retrieved again!

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

```
int NpyIter_Deallocate (NpyIter *iter)
```

Deallocates the iterator object and resolves any needed writebacks.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

```
int NpyIter_Reset (NpyIter *iter, char **errmsg)
```

Resets the iterator back to its initial state, at the beginning of the iteration range.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`. If `errmsg` is non-NULL, no Python exception is set when `NPY_FAIL` is returned. Instead, `*errmsg` is set to an error message. When `errmsg` is non-NULL, the function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

```
int NpyIter_ResetToIterIndexRange (NpyIter *iter, npy_intp istart, npy_intp iend, char **errmsg)
```

Resets the iterator and restricts it to the `iterindex` range `[istart, iend]`. See `NpyIter_Copy` for an explanation of how to use this for multi-threaded iteration. This requires that the flag `NPY_ITER_RANGED` was passed to the iterator constructor.

If you want to reset both the `iterindex` range and the base pointers at the same time, you can do the following to avoid extra buffer copying (be sure to add the return code error checks when you copy this code).

```
/* Set to a trivial empty range */
NpyIter_ResetToIterIndexRange(iter, 0, 0);
/* Set the base pointers */
NpyIter_ResetBasePointers(iter, baseptrs);
/* Set to the desired range */
NpyIter_ResetToIterIndexRange(iter, istart, iend);
```

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`. If `errmsg` is non-NULL, no Python exception is set when `NPY_FAIL` is returned. Instead, `*errmsg` is set to an error message. When `errmsg` is non-NULL, the function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

```
int NpyIter_ResetBasePointers (NpyIter *iter, char **baseptrs, char **errmsg)
```

Resets the iterator back to its initial state, but using the values in `baseptrs` for the data instead of the pointers from the arrays being iterated. This function is intended to be used, together with the `op_axes` parameter, by nested iteration code with two or more iterators.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`. If `errmsg` is non-NULL, no Python exception is set when `NPY_FAIL` is returned. Instead, `*errmsg` is set to an error message. When `errmsg` is non-NULL, the function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

*TODO:* Move the following into a special section on nested iterators.

Creating iterators for nested iteration requires some care. All the iterator operands must match exactly, or the calls to `NpyIter_ResetBasePointers` will be invalid. This means that automatic copies and output allocation should not be used haphazardly. It is possible to still use the automatic data conversion and casting features of the iterator by creating one of the iterators with all the conversion parameters enabled, then grabbing the allocated operands with the `NpyIter_GetOperandArray` function and passing them into the constructors for the rest of the iterators.

**WARNING:** When creating iterators for nested iteration, the code must not use a dimension more than once in the different iterators. If this is done, nested iteration will produce out-of-bounds pointers during iteration.

**WARNING:** When creating iterators for nested iteration, buffering can only be applied to the innermost iterator. If a buffered iterator is used as the source for `basetptrs`, it will point into a small buffer instead of the array and the inner iteration will be invalid.

The pattern for using nested iterators is as follows.

```
NpyIter *iter1, *iter1;
NpyIter_IterNextFunc *iternext1, *iternext2;
char **dataptrs1;

/*
 * With the exact same operands, no copies allowed, and
 * no axis in op_axes used both in iter1 and iter2.
 * Buffering may be enabled for iter2, but not for iter1.
 */
iter1 = ...; iter2 = ...;

iternext1 = NpyIter_GetIterNext(iter1);
iternext2 = NpyIter_GetIterNext(iter2);
dataptrs1 = NpyIter_GetDataPtrArray(iter1);

do {
    NpyIter_ResetBasePointers(iter2, dataptrs1);
    do {
        /* Use the iter2 values */
    } while (iternext2(iter2));
} while (iternext1(iter1));
```

**int `NpyIter_GotoMultiIndex`(`NpyIter` \*iter, `npy_intp` const \*multi\_index)**

Adjusts the iterator to point to the `ndim` indices pointed to by `multi_index`. Returns an error if a multi-index is not being tracked, the indices are out of bounds, or inner loop iteration is disabled.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

**int `NpyIter_GotoIndex`(`NpyIter` \*iter, `npy_intp` index)**

Adjusts the iterator to point to the `index` specified. If the iterator was constructed with the flag `NPY_ITER_C_INDEX`, `index` is the C-order index, and if the iterator was constructed with the flag `NPY_ITER_F_INDEX`, `index` is the Fortran-order index. Returns an error if there is no index being tracked, the index is out of bounds, or inner loop iteration is disabled.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

**`npy_intp NpyIter_GetIterSize`(`NpyIter` \*iter)**

Returns the number of elements being iterated. This is the product of all the dimensions in the shape. When a multi index is being tracked (and `NpyIter_RemoveAxis` may be called) the size may be `-1` to indicate an iterator is too large. Such an iterator is invalid, but may become valid after `NpyIter_RemoveAxis` is called. It is not necessary to check for this case.

**`npy_intp NpyIter_GetIterIndex`(`NpyIter` \*iter)**

Gets the `iterindex` of the iterator, which is an index matching the iteration order of the iterator.

**`void NpyIter_GetIterIndexRange`(`NpyIter` \*iter, `npy_intp` \*istart, `npy_intp` \*iend)**

Gets the `iterindex` sub-range that is being iterated. If `NPY_ITER_RANGED` was not specified, this always returns the range `[0, NpyIter_IterSize(iter)]`.

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`int NpyIter_GotoIterIndex (NpyIter *iter, npy_intp iterindex)`

Adjusts the iterator to point to the `iterindex` specified. The `IterIndex` is an index matching the iteration order of the iterator. Returns an error if the `iterindex` is out of bounds, buffering is enabled, or inner loop iteration is disabled.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

`npy_bool NpyIter_HasDelayedBufAlloc (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns 1 if the flag `NPY_ITER_DELAY_BUFALLOC` was passed to the iterator constructor, and no call to one of the `Reset` functions has been done yet, 0 otherwise.

`npy_bool NpyIter_HasExternalLoop (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns 1 if the caller needs to handle the inner-most 1-dimensional loop, or 0 if the iterator handles all looping. This is controlled by the constructor flag `NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP` or `NpyIter_EnableExternalLoop`.

`npy_bool NpyIter_HasMultiIndex (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns 1 if the iterator was created with the `NPY_ITER_MULTI_INDEX` flag, 0 otherwise.

`npy_bool NpyIter_HasIndex (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns 1 if the iterator was created with the `NPY_ITER_C_INDEX` or `NPY_ITER_F_INDEX` flag, 0 otherwise.

`npy_bool NpyIter_RequiresBuffering (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns 1 if the iterator requires buffering, which occurs when an operand needs conversion or alignment and so cannot be used directly.

`npy_bool NpyIter_IsBuffered (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns 1 if the iterator was created with the `NPY_ITER_BUFFERED` flag, 0 otherwise.

`npy_bool NpyIter_IsGrowInner (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns 1 if the iterator was created with the `NPY_ITER_GROWINNER` flag, 0 otherwise.

`npy_intp NpyIter_GetBufferSize (NpyIter *iter)`

If the iterator is buffered, returns the size of the buffer being used, otherwise returns 0.

`int NpyIter_GetNDim (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns the number of dimensions being iterated. If a multi-index was not requested in the iterator constructor, this value may be smaller than the number of dimensions in the original objects.

`int NpyIter_GetNOp (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns the number of operands in the iterator.

`npy_intp *NpyIter.GetAxisStrideArray (NpyIter *iter, int axis)`

Gets the array of strides for the specified axis. Requires that the iterator be tracking a multi-index, and that buffering not be enabled.

This may be used when you want to match up operand axes in some fashion, then remove them with `NpyIter_RemoveAxis` to handle their processing manually. By calling this function before removing the axes, you can get the strides for the manual processing.

Returns NULL on error.

`int NpyIter_GetShape (NpyIter *iter, npy_intp *outshape)`

Returns the broadcast shape of the iterator in `outshape`. This can only be called on an iterator which is tracking a multi-index.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

`PyArray_Descr **NpyIter_GetDescrArray (NpyIter *iter)`

This gives back a pointer to the `nop` data type Descrs for the objects being iterated. The result points into `iter`, so the caller does not gain any references to the Descrs.

This pointer may be cached before the iteration loop, calling `iter.next` will not change it.

`PyObject **NpyIter_GetOperandArray (NpyIter *iter)`

This gives back a pointer to the `nop` operand PyObjects that are being iterated. The result points into `iter`, so the caller does not gain any references to the PyObjects.

`PyObject *NpyIter_GetIterView (NpyIter *iter, npy_intp i)`

This gives back a reference to a new ndarray view, which is a view into the `i`-th object in the array `NpyIter_GetOperandArray`, whose dimensions and strides match the internal optimized iteration pattern. A C-order iteration of this view is equivalent to the iterator's iteration order.

For example, if an iterator was created with a single array as its input, and it was possible to rearrange all its axes and then collapse it into a single strided iteration, this would return a view that is a one-dimensional array.

`void NpyIter_GetReadFlags (NpyIter *iter, char *outreadflags)`

Fills `nop` flags. Sets `outreadflags[i]` to 1 if `op[i]` can be read from, and to 0 if not.

`void NpyIter_GetWriteFlags (NpyIter *iter, char *outwriteflags)`

Fills `nop` flags. Sets `outwriteflags[i]` to 1 if `op[i]` can be written to, and to 0 if not.

`int NpyIter_CreateCompatibleStrides (NpyIter *iter, npy_intp itemsize, npy_intp *outstrides)`

Builds a set of strides which are the same as the strides of an output array created using the `NPY_ITER_ALLOCATE` flag, where `NULL` was passed for `op_axes`. This is for data packed contiguously, but not necessarily in C or Fortran order. This should be used together with `NpyIter_GetShape` and `NpyIter_GetNDim` with the flag `NPY_ITER_MULTI_INDEX` passed into the constructor.

A use case for this function is to match the shape and layout of the iterator and tack on one or more dimensions. For example, in order to generate a vector per input value for a numerical gradient, you pass in `ndim*itemsize` for `itemsize`, then add another dimension to the end with size `ndim` and stride `itemsize`. To do the Hessian matrix, you do the same thing but add two dimensions, or take advantage of the symmetry and pack it into 1 dimension with a particular encoding.

This function may only be called if the iterator is tracking a multi-index and if `NPY_ITER_DONT_NEGATE_STRIDES` was used to prevent an axis from being iterated in reverse order.

If an array is created with this method, simply adding ‘`itemsize`’ for each iteration will traverse the new array matching the iterator.

Returns `NPY_SUCCEED` or `NPY_FAIL`.

`npy_bool NpyIter_IsFirstVisit (NpyIter *iter, int iop)`

New in version 1.7.

Checks to see whether this is the first time the elements of the specified reduction operand which the iterator points at are being seen for the first time. The function returns a reasonable answer for reduction operands and when buffering is disabled. The answer may be incorrect for buffered non-reduction operands.

This function is intended to be used in EXTERNAL\_LOOP mode only, and will produce some wrong answers when that mode is not enabled.

If this function returns true, the caller should also check the inner loop stride of the operand, because if that stride is 0, then only the first element of the innermost external loop is being visited for the first time.

**WARNING:** For performance reasons, ‘`iop`’ is not bounds-checked, it is not confirmed that ‘`iop`’ is actually a reduction operand, and it is not confirmed that EXTERNAL\_LOOP mode is enabled. These checks are the responsibility of the caller, and should be done outside of any inner loops.

## 11.5.6 Functions For Iteration

`NpyIter_IterNextFunc *NpyIter_GetIterNext (NpyIter *iter, char **errmsg)`

Returns a function pointer for iteration. A specialized version of the function pointer may be calculated by this function instead of being stored in the iterator structure. Thus, to get good performance, it is required that the function pointer be saved in a variable rather than retrieved for each loop iteration.

Returns NULL if there is an error. If errmsg is non-NULL, no Python exception is set when NPY\_FAIL is returned. Instead, \*errmsg is set to an error message. When errmsg is non-NULL, the function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

The typical looping construct is as follows.

```
NpyIter_IterNextFunc *iternext = NpyIter_GetIterNext(iter, NULL);
char** dataptr = NpyIter_GetDataPtrArray(iter);

do {
    /* use the addresses dataptr[0], ... dataptr[nop-1] */
} while (iternext(iter));
```

When `NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP` is specified, the typical inner loop construct is as follows.

```
NpyIter_IterNextFunc *iternext = NpyIter_GetIterNext(iter, NULL);
char** dataptr = NpyIter_GetDataPtrArray(iter);
npy_intp* stride = NpyIter_GetInnerStrideArray(iter);
npy_intp* size_ptr = NpyIter_GetInnerLoopSizePtr(iter), size;
npy_intp iop, nop = NpyIter_GetNOp(iter);

do {
    size = *size_ptr;
    while (size--) {
        /* use the addresses dataptr[0], ... dataptr[nop-1] */
        for (iop = 0; iop < nop; ++iop) {
            dataptr[iop] += stride[iop];
        }
    }
} while (iternext());
```

Observe that we are using the dataptr array inside the iterator, not copying the values to a local temporary. This is possible because when `iternext()` is called, these pointers will be overwritten with fresh values, not incrementally updated.

If a compile-time fixed buffer is being used (both flags `NPY_ITER_BUFFERED` and `NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP`), the inner size may be used as a signal as well. The size is guaranteed to become zero when `iternext()` returns false, enabling the following loop construct. Note that if you use this construct, you should not pass `NPY_ITER_GROWINNER` as a flag, because it will cause larger sizes under some circumstances.

```
/* The constructor should have buffersize passed as this value */
#define FIXED_BUFFER_SIZE 1024

NpyIter_IterNextFunc *iternext = NpyIter_GetIterNext(iter, NULL);
char **dataptr = NpyIter_GetDataPtrArray(iter);
npy_intp *stride = NpyIter_GetInnerStrideArray(iter);
npy_intp *size_ptr = NpyIter_GetInnerLoopSizePtr(iter), size;
npy_intp i, iop, nop = NpyIter_GetNOp(iter);
```

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```

/* One loop with a fixed inner size */
size = *size_ptr;
while (size == FIXED_BUFFER_SIZE) {
    /*
     * This loop could be manually unrolled by a factor
     * which divides into FIXED_BUFFER_SIZE
     */
    for (i = 0; i < FIXED_BUFFER_SIZE; ++i) {
        /* use the addresses dataptr[0], ... dataptr[nop-1] */
        for (iop = 0; iop < nop; ++iop) {
            dataptr[iop] += stride[iop];
        }
    }
    iternext();
    size = *size_ptr;
}

/* Finish-up loop with variable inner size */
if (size > 0) do {
    size = *size_ptr;
    while (size--) {
        /* use the addresses dataptr[0], ... dataptr[nop-1] */
        for (iop = 0; iop < nop; ++iop) {
            dataptr[iop] += stride[iop];
        }
    }
} while (iternext());

```

***NpyIter\_GetMultiIndexFunc \*NpyIter\_GetGetMultiIndex (NpyIter \*iter, char \*\*errmsg)***

Returns a function pointer for getting the current multi-index of the iterator. Returns NULL if the iterator is not tracking a multi-index. It is recommended that this function pointer be cached in a local variable before the iteration loop.

Returns NULL if there is an error. If errmsg is non-NULL, no Python exception is set when NPY\_FAIL is returned. Instead, \*errmsg is set to an error message. When errmsg is non-NULL, the function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

***char \*\*NpyIter\_GetDataPtrArray (NpyIter \*iter)***

This gives back a pointer to the nop data pointers. If *NPY\_ITER\_EXTERNAL\_LOOP* was not specified, each data pointer points to the current data item of the iterator. If no inner iteration was specified, it points to the first data item of the inner loop.

This pointer may be cached before the iteration loop, calling *iternext* will not change it. This function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

***char \*\*NpyIter\_GetInitialDataPtrArray (NpyIter \*iter)***

Gets the array of data pointers directly into the arrays (never into the buffers), corresponding to iteration index 0.

These pointers are different from the pointers accepted by *NpyIter\_ResetBasePointers*, because the direction along some axes may have been reversed.

This function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

***npy\_intp \*NpyIter\_GetIndexPtr (NpyIter \*iter)***

This gives back a pointer to the index being tracked, or NULL if no index is being tracked. It is only usable if one of the flags *NPY\_ITER\_C\_INDEX* or *NPY\_ITER\_F\_INDEX* were specified during construction.

When the flag `NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP` is used, the code needs to know the parameters for doing the inner loop. These functions provide that information.

`npy_intp *NpyIter_GetInnerStrideArray (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns a pointer to an array of the `nop` strides, one for each iterated object, to be used by the inner loop.

This pointer may be cached before the iteration loop, calling `iter.next` will not change it. This function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

**WARNING:** While the pointer may be cached, its values may change if the iterator is buffered.

`npy_intp *NpyIter_GetInnerLoopSizePtr (NpyIter *iter)`

Returns a pointer to the number of iterations the inner loop should execute.

This address may be cached before the iteration loop, calling `iter.next` will not change it. The value itself may change during iteration, in particular if buffering is enabled. This function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

`void NpyIter_GetInnerFixedStrideArray (NpyIter *iter, npy_intp *out_strides)`

Gets an array of strides which are fixed, or will not change during the entire iteration. For strides that may change, the value `NPY_MAX_INTP` is placed in the stride.

Once the iterator is prepared for iteration (after a reset if `NPY_ITER_DELAY_BUFALLOC` was used), call this to get the strides which may be used to select a fast inner loop function. For example, if the stride is 0, that means the inner loop can always load its value into a variable once, then use the variable throughout the loop, or if the stride equals the itemsize, a contiguous version for that operand may be used.

This function may be safely called without holding the Python GIL.

## 11.5.7 Converting from Previous NumPy Iterators

The old iterator API includes functions like `PyArrayIter_Check`, `PyArray_Iter*` and `PyArray_ITER_*`. The multi-iterator array includes `PyArray_MultiIter*`, `PyArray_Broadcast`, and `PyArray_RemoveSmallest`. The new iterator design replaces all of this functionality with a single object and associated API. One goal of the new API is that all uses of the existing iterator should be replaceable with the new iterator without significant effort. In 1.6, the major exception to this is the neighborhood iterator, which does not have corresponding features in this iterator.

Here is a conversion table for which functions to use with the new iterator:

<i>Iterator Functions</i>	
<code>PyArray_IterNew</code>	<code>NpyIter_New</code>
<code>PyArray_IterAllButAxis</code>	<code>NpyIter_New + axes parameter or Iterator flag NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP</code>
<code>PyArray_BroadcastToShape</code>	<b>NOT SUPPORTED</b> (Use the support for multiple operands instead.)
<code>PyArrayIter_Check</code>	Will need to add this in Python exposure
<code>PyArray_ITER_RESET</code>	<code>NpyIter_Reset</code>
<code>PyArray_ITER_NEXT</code>	Function pointer from <code>NpyIter_GetIterNext</code>
<code>PyArray_ITER_DATA</code>	<code>NpyIter_GetDataPtrArray</code>
<code>PyArray_ITER_GOTO</code>	<code>NpyIter_GotoMultiIndex</code>
<code>PyArray_ITER_GOTO1D</code>	<code>NpyIter_GotoIndex or NpyIter_GotoIterIndex</code>
<code>PyArray_ITER_NOTDONE</code>	Return value of <code>iternext</code> function pointer
<i>Multi-iterator Functions</i>	
<code>PyArray_MultiIterNew</code>	<code>NpyIter_MultiNew</code>
<code>PyArray_MultiIter_RESET</code>	<code>NpyIter_Reset</code>
<code>PyArray_MultiIter_NEXT</code>	Function pointer from <code>NpyIter_GetIterNext</code>
<code>PyArray_MultiIter_DATA</code>	<code>NpyIter_GetDataPtrArray</code>
<code>PyArray_MultiIter_Nexti</code>	<b>NOT SUPPORTED</b> (always lock-step iteration)
<code>PyArray_MultiIter_GOTO</code>	<code>NpyIter_GotoMultiIndex</code>
<code>PyArray_MultiIter_GOTO1D</code>	<code>NpyIter_GotoIndex or NpyIter_GotoIterIndex</code>
<code>PyArray_MultiIter_NOTDONE</code>	Return value of <code>iternext</code> function pointer
<code>PyArray_Broadcast</code>	Handled by <code>NpyIter_MultiNew</code>
<code>PyArray_RemoveSmallest</code>	Iterator flag <code>NPY_ITER_EXTERNAL_LOOP</code>
<i>Other Functions</i>	
<code>PyArray_ConvertToCommonType</code>	Iterator flag <code>NPY_ITER_COMMON_DTYPE</code>

## 11.6 UFunc API

### 11.6.1 Constants

```
UFUNC_ERR_{HANDLER}
UFUNC_ERR_IGNORE
UFUNC_ERR_WARN
UFUNC_ERR_RAISE
UFUNC_ERR_CALL

UFUNC_{THING}_{ERR}
UFUNC_MASK_DIVIDEBYZERO
UFUNC_MASK_OVERFLOW
UFUNC_MASK_UNDERFLOW
UFUNC_MASK_INVALID
UFUNC_SHIFT_DIVIDEBYZERO
UFUNC_SHIFT_OVERFLOW
```

```

UFUNC_SHIFT_UNDERFLOW
UFUNC_SHIFT_INVALID
UFUNC_FPE_DIVIDEBYZERO
UFUNC_FPE_OVERFLOW
UFUNC_FPE_UNDERFLOW
UFUNC_FPE_INVALID

PyUFunc_{VALUE}
PyUFunc_One
PyUFunc_Zero
PyUFunc_MinusOne
PyUFunc_ReorderableNone
PyUFunc_None
PyUFunc_IdentityValue

```

## 11.6.2 Macros

### `NPY_LOOP_BEGIN_THREADS`

Used in universal function code to only release the Python GIL if loop->obj is not true (*i.e.* this is not an OBJECT array loop). Requires use of `NPY_BEGIN_THREADS_DEF` in variable declaration area.

### `NPY_LOOP_END_THREADS`

Used in universal function code to re-acquire the Python GIL if it was released (because loop->obj was not true).

## 11.6.3 Types

### type `PyUFuncGenericFunction`

Pointers to functions that actually implement the underlying (element-by-element) function  $N$  times with the following signature:

```
void loopfunc (char **args, npy_intp const *dimensions, npy_intp const *steps, void *data)
           args
```

An array of pointers to the actual data for the input and output arrays. The input arguments are given first followed by the output arguments.

*dimensions*

A pointer to the size of the dimension over which this function is looping.

*steps*

A pointer to the number of bytes to jump to get to the next element in this dimension for each of the input and output arguments.

*data*

Arbitrary data (extra arguments, function names, *etc.* ) that can be stored with the ufunc and will be passed in when it is called. May be NULL.

Changed in version 1.23.0: Accepts NULL *data* in addition to array of NULL values.

This is an example of a func specialized for addition of doubles returning doubles.

```
static void
double_add(char **args,
            npy_intp const *dimensions,
            npy_intp const *steps,
            void *extra)
{
    npy_intp i;
    npy_intp is1 = steps[0], is2 = steps[1];
    npy_intp os = steps[2], n = dimensions[0];
    char *i1 = args[0], *i2 = args[1], *op = args[2];
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        *((double *)op) = *((double *)i1) +
            *((double *)i2);
        i1 += is1;
        i2 += is2;
        op += os;
    }
}
```

## 11.6.4 Functions

PyObject \***PyUFunc\_FromFuncAndData** (*PyUFuncGenericFunction* \*func, void \*\*data, char \*types, int ntypes,  
int nin, int nout, int identity, char \*name, char \*doc, int unused)

Create a new broadcasting universal function from required variables. Each ufunc builds around the notion of an element-by-element operation. Each ufunc object contains pointers to 1-d loops implementing the basic functionality for each supported type.

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**Note:** The *func*, *data*, *types*, *name*, and *doc* arguments are not copied by *PyUFunc\_FromFuncAndData*. The caller must ensure that the memory used by these arrays is not freed as long as the ufunc object is alive.

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### Parameters

- **func** – Must point to an array containing *ntypes* *PyUFuncGenericFunction* elements.
- **data** – Should be NULL or a pointer to an array of size *ntypes*. This array may contain arbitrary extra-data to be passed to the corresponding loop function in the func array, including NULL.
- **types** – Length (nin + nout) \* ntypes array of char encoding the *numpy.dtype.num* (built-in only) that the corresponding function in the func array accepts. For instance, for a comparison ufunc with three ntypes, two nin and one nout, where the first function accepts *numpy.int32* and the second *numpy.int64*, with both returning *numpy.bool\_*, types would be (char[]) {5, 5, 0, 7, 7, 0} since NPY\_INT32 is 5, NPY\_INT64 is 7, and NPY\_BOOL is 0.

The bit-width names can also be used (e.g. *NPY\_INT32*, *NPY\_COMPLEX128*) if desired.

`ufuncs.casting` will be used at runtime to find the first `func` callable by the input/output provided.

- **ntypes** – How many different data-type-specific functions the ufunc has implemented.
- **nin** – The number of inputs to this operation.
- **nout** – The number of outputs
- **identity** – Either `PyUFunc_One`, `PyUFunc_Zero`, `PyUFunc_MinusOne`, or `PyUFunc_None`. This specifies what should be returned when an empty array is passed to the reduce method of the ufunc. The special value `PyUFunc_IdentityValue` may only be used with the `PyUFunc_FromFuncAndDataAndSignatureAndIdentity` method, to allow an arbitrary python object to be used as the identity.
- **name** – The name for the ufunc as a NULL terminated string. Specifying a name of ‘add’ or ‘multiply’ enables a special behavior for integer-typed reductions when no `dtype` is given. If the input type is an integer (or boolean) data type smaller than the size of the `numpy.int_` data type, it will be internally upcast to the `numpy.int_` (or `numpy.uint`) data type.
- **doc** – Allows passing in a documentation string to be stored with the ufunc. The documentation string should not contain the name of the function or the calling signature as that will be dynamically determined from the object and available when accessing the `__doc__` attribute of the ufunc.
- **unused** – Unused and present for backwards compatibility of the C-API.

```
PyObject *PyUFunc_FromFuncAndDataAndSignature (PyUFuncGenericFunction *func, void **data, char
                                              *types, int ntypes, int nin, int nout, int identity, char
                                              *name, char *doc, int unused, char *signature)
```

This function is very similar to `PyUFunc_FromFuncAndData` above, but has an extra `signature` argument, to define a *generalized universal functions*. Similarly to how ufuncs are built around an element-by-element operation, gufuncs are around subarray-by-subarray operations, the `signature` defining the subarrays to operate on.

#### Parameters

- **signature** – The signature for the new gufunc. Setting it to NULL is equivalent to calling `PyUFunc_FromFuncAndData`. A copy of the string is made, so the passed in buffer can be freed.

```
PyObject *PyUFunc_FromFuncAndDataAndSignatureAndIdentity (PyUFuncGenericFunction *func,
                                                       void **data, char *types, int ntypes,
                                                       int nin, int nout, int identity, char
                                                       *name, char *doc, int unused, char
                                                       *signature, PyObject
                                                       *identity_value)
```

This function is very similar to `PyUFunc_FromFuncAndDataAndSignature` above, but has an extra `identity_value` argument, to define an arbitrary identity for the ufunc when `identity` is passed as `PyUFunc_IdentityValue`.

#### Parameters

- **identity\_value** – The identity for the new gufunc. Must be passed as NULL unless the `identity` argument is `PyUFunc_IdentityValue`. Setting it to NULL is equivalent to calling `PyUFunc_FromFuncAndDataAndSignature`.

---

```
int PyUFunc_RegisterLoopForType (PyUFuncObject *ufunc, int usertype, PyUFuncGenericFunction function,
                                int *arg_types, void *data)
```

This function allows the user to register a 1-d loop with an already-created ufunc to be used whenever the ufunc is called with any of its input arguments as the user-defined data-type. This is needed in order to make ufuncs work with built-in data-types. The data-type must have been previously registered with the numpy system. The loop is passed in as *function*. This loop can take arbitrary data which should be passed in as *data*. The data-types the loop requires are passed in as *arg\_types* which must be a pointer to memory at least as large as ufunc->nargs.

```
int PyUFunc_RegisterLoopForDescr (PyUFuncObject *ufunc, PyArray_Descr *userdtype,
                                 PyUFuncGenericFunction function, PyArray_Descr **arg_dtypes, void
                                 *data)
```

This function behaves like `PyUFunc_RegisterLoopForType` above, except that it allows the user to register a 1-d loop using `PyArray_Descr` objects instead of `dtype` type num values. This allows a 1-d loop to be registered for structured array data-types and custom data-types instead of scalar data-types.

```
int PyUFunc.ReplaceLoopBySignature (PyUFuncObject *ufunc, PyUFuncGenericFunction newfunc, int
                                    *signature, PyUFuncGenericFunction *oldfunc)
```

Replace a 1-d loop matching the given *signature* in the already-created *ufunc* with the new 1-d loop *newfunc*. Return the old 1-d loop function in *oldfunc*. Return 0 on success and -1 on failure. This function works only with built-in types (use `PyUFunc_RegisterLoopForType` for user-defined types). A signature is an array of data-type numbers indicating the inputs followed by the outputs assumed by the 1-d loop.

```
int PyUFunc_checkfperr (int errmask, PyObject *errobj)
```

A simple interface to the IEEE error-flag checking support. The *errmask* argument is a mask of `UFUNC_MASK_{ERR}` bitmasks indicating which errors to check for (and how to check for them). The *errobj* must be a Python tuple with two elements: a string containing the name which will be used in any communication of error and either a callable Python object (call-back function) or `Py_None`. The callable object will only be used if `UFUNC_ERR_CALL` is set as the desired error checking method. This routine manages the GIL and is safe to call even after releasing the GIL. If an error in the IEEE-compatible hardware is determined a -1 is returned, otherwise a 0 is returned.

```
void PyUFunc_clearfperr ()
```

Clear the IEEE error flags.

```
void PyUFunc_GetPyValues (char *name, int *bufsize, int *errmask, PyObject **errobj)
```

Get the Python values used for ufunc processing from the thread-local storage area unless the defaults have been set in which case the name lookup is bypassed. The name is placed as a string in the first element of *\*errobj*. The second element is the looked-up function to call on error callback. The value of the looked-up buffer-size to use is passed into *bufsize*, and the value of the error mask is placed into *errmask*.

## 11.6.5 Generic functions

At the core of every ufunc is a collection of type-specific functions that defines the basic functionality for each of the supported types. These functions must evaluate the underlying function  $N \geq 1$  times. Extra-data may be passed in that may be used during the calculation. This feature allows some general functions to be used as these basic looping functions. The general function has all the code needed to point variables to the right place and set up a function call. The general function assumes that the actual function to call is passed in as the extra data and calls it with the correct values. All of these functions are suitable for placing directly in the array of functions stored in the `functions` member of the `PyUFuncObject` structure.

```
void PyUFunc_f_f_As_d_d (char **args, npy_intp const *dimensions, npy_intp const *steps, void *func)
```

```
void PyUFunc_d_d (char **args, npy_intp const *dimensions, npy_intp const *steps, void *func)
```

void **PyUFunc\_f\_f** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_g\_g** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_F\_F\_As\_D\_D** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_F\_F** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_D\_D** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_G\_G** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_e\_e** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_e\_e\_As\_f\_f** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_e\_e\_As\_d\_d** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

Type specific, core 1-d functions for ufuncs where each calculation is obtained by calling a function taking one input argument and returning one output. This function is passed in *func*. The letters correspond to dtypechar's of the supported data types ( e - half, f - float, d - double, g - long double, F - cfloat, D - cdouble, G - clongdouble). The argument *func* must support the same signature. The \_As\_X\_X variants assume ndarray's of one data type but cast the values to use an underlying function that takes a different data type. Thus, *PyUFunc\_f\_f\_As\_d\_d* uses ndarrays of data type *NPY\_FLOAT* but calls out to a C-function that takes double and returns double.

void **PyUFunc\_ff\_f\_As\_dd\_d** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_ff\_f** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_dd\_d** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_gg\_g** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_FF\_F\_As\_DD\_D** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_DD\_D** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_FF\_F** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_GG\_G** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_ee\_e** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_ee\_e\_As\_ff\_f** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_ee\_e\_As\_dd\_d** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

Type specific, core 1-d functions for ufuncs where each calculation is obtained by calling a function taking two input arguments and returning one output. The underlying function to call is passed in as *func*. The letters correspond to dtypechar's of the specific data type supported by the general-purpose function. The argument *func* must support the corresponding signature. The \_As\_XX\_X variants assume ndarray's of one data type but cast the values at each iteration of the loop to use the underlying function that takes a different data type.

void **PyUFunc\_O\_O** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

void **PyUFunc\_OO\_O** (char \*\*args, *npy\_intp* const \*dimensions, *npy\_intp* const \*steps, void \*func)

One-input, one-output, and two-input, one-output core 1-d functions for the *NPY\_OBJECT* data type. These functions handle reference count issues and return early on error. The actual function to call is *func* and it must accept calls with the signature (*PyObject*\*) (*PyObject*\*) for *PyUFunc\_O\_O* or (*PyObject*\*) (*PyObject*\*, *PyObject*\*) for *PyUFunc\_OO\_O*.

```
void PyUFunc_O_O_method (char **args, npy_intp const *dimensions, npy_intp const *steps, void *func)
```

This general purpose 1-d core function assumes that *func* is a string representing a method of the input object. For each iteration of the loop, the Python object is extracted from the array and its *func* method is called returning the result to the output array.

```
void PyUFunc_OO_O_method (char **args, npy_intp const *dimensions, npy_intp const *steps, void *func)
```

This general purpose 1-d core function assumes that *func* is a string representing a method of the input object that takes one argument. The first argument in *args* is the method whose function is called, the second argument in *args* is the argument passed to the function. The output of the function is stored in the third entry of *args*.

```
void PyUFunc_On_Om (char **args, npy_intp const *dimensions, npy_intp const *steps, void *func)
```

This is the 1-d core function used by the dynamic ufuncs created by `umath.frompyfunc(function, nin, nout)`. In this case *func* is a pointer to a `PyUFunc_PyFuncData` structure which has definition

type `PyUFunc_PyFuncData`

```
typedef struct {
    int nin;
    int nout;
    PyObject *callable;
} PyUFunc_PyFuncData;
```

At each iteration of the loop, the *nin* input objects are extracted from their object arrays and placed into an argument tuple, the Python *callable* is called with the input arguments, and the *nout* outputs are placed into their object arrays.

## 11.6.6 Importing the API

`PY_UFUNC_UNIQUE_SYMBOL`

`NO_IMPORT_UFUNC`

void `import_ufunc` (void)

These are the constants and functions for accessing the ufunc C-API from extension modules in precisely the same way as the array C-API can be accessed. The `import_ufunc ()` function must always be called (in the initialization subroutine of the extension module). If your extension module is in one file then that is all that is required. The other two constants are useful if your extension module makes use of multiple files. In that case, define `PY_UFUNC_UNIQUE_SYMBOL` to something unique to your code and then in source files that do not contain the module initialization function but still need access to the UFUNC API, define `PY_UFUNC_UNIQUE_SYMBOL` to the same name used previously and also define `NO_IMPORT_UFUNC`.

The C-API is actually an array of function pointers. This array is created (and pointed to by a global variable) by `import_ufunc`. The global variable is either statically defined or allowed to be seen by other files depending on the state of `PY_UFUNC_UNIQUE_SYMBOL` and `NO_IMPORT_UFUNC`.

## 11.7 Generalized Universal Function API

There is a general need for looping over not only functions on scalars but also over functions on vectors (or arrays). This concept is realized in NumPy by generalizing the universal functions (ufuncs). In regular ufuncs, the elementary function is limited to element-by-element operations, whereas the generalized version (gufuncs) supports “sub-array” by “sub-array” operations. The Perl vector library PDL provides a similar functionality and its terms are re-used in the following.

Each generalized ufunc has information associated with it that states what the “core” dimensionality of the inputs is, as well as the corresponding dimensionality of the outputs (the element-wise ufuncs have zero core dimensions). The list

of the core dimensions for all arguments is called the “signature” of a ufunc. For example, the ufunc `numpy.add` has signature `() , () -> ()` defining two scalar inputs and one scalar output.

Another example is the function `inner1d(a, b)` with a signature of `(i) , (i) -> ()`. This applies the inner product along the last axis of each input, but keeps the remaining indices intact. For example, where `a` is of shape `(3, 5, N)` and `b` is of shape `(5, N)`, this will return an output of shape `(3, 5)`. The underlying elementary function is called `3 * 5` times. In the signature, we specify one core dimension `(i)` for each input and zero core dimensions `()` for the output, since it takes two 1-d arrays and returns a scalar. By using the same name `i`, we specify that the two corresponding dimensions should be of the same size.

The dimensions beyond the core dimensions are called “loop” dimensions. In the above example, this corresponds to `(3, 5)`.

The signature determines how the dimensions of each input/output array are split into core and loop dimensions:

1. Each dimension in the signature is matched to a dimension of the corresponding passed-in array, starting from the end of the shape tuple. These are the core dimensions, and they must be present in the arrays, or an error will be raised.
2. Core dimensions assigned to the same label in the signature (e.g. the `i` in `inner1d`'s `(i) , (i) -> ()`) must have exactly matching sizes, no broadcasting is performed.
3. The core dimensions are removed from all inputs and the remaining dimensions are broadcast together, defining the loop dimensions.
4. The shape of each output is determined from the loop dimensions plus the output's core dimensions

Typically, the size of all core dimensions in an output will be determined by the size of a core dimension with the same label in an input array. This is not a requirement, and it is possible to define a signature where a label comes up for the first time in an output, although some precautions must be taken when calling such a function. An example would be the function `euclidean_pdist(a)`, with signature `(n, d) -> (p)`, that given an array of `n` `d`-dimensional vectors, computes all unique pairwise Euclidean distances among them. The output dimension `p` must therefore be equal to `n * (n - 1) / 2`, but it is the caller's responsibility to pass in an output array of the right size. If the size of a core dimension of an output cannot be determined from a passed in input or output array, an error will be raised.

Note: Prior to NumPy 1.10.0, less strict checks were in place: missing core dimensions were created by prepending 1's to the shape as necessary, core dimensions with the same label were broadcast together, and undetermined dimensions were created with size 1.

## 11.7.1 Definitions

### Elementary Function

Each ufunc consists of an elementary function that performs the most basic operation on the smallest portion of array arguments (e.g. adding two numbers is the most basic operation in adding two arrays). The ufunc applies the elementary function multiple times on different parts of the arrays. The input/output of elementary functions can be vectors; e.g., the elementary function of `inner1d` takes two vectors as input.

### Signature

A signature is a string describing the input/output dimensions of the elementary function of a ufunc. See section below for more details.

### Core Dimension

The dimensionality of each input/output of an elementary function is defined by its core dimensions (zero core dimensions correspond to a scalar input/output). The core dimensions are mapped to the last dimensions of the input/output arrays.

## Dimension Name

A dimension name represents a core dimension in the signature. Different dimensions may share a name, indicating that they are of the same size.

## Dimension Index

A dimension index is an integer representing a dimension name. It enumerates the dimension names according to the order of the first occurrence of each name in the signature.

### 11.7.2 Details of Signature

The signature defines “core” dimensionality of input and output variables, and thereby also defines the contraction of the dimensions. The signature is represented by a string of the following format:

- Core dimensions of each input or output array are represented by a list of dimension names in parentheses, (*i\_1*, ..., *i\_N*) ; a scalar input/output is denoted by (). Instead of *i\_1*, *i\_2*, etc, one can use any valid Python variable name.
- Dimension lists for different arguments are separated by ", ". Input/output arguments are separated by "−>" .
- If one uses the same dimension name in multiple locations, this enforces the same size of the corresponding dimensions.

The formal syntax of signatures is as follows:

```

<Signature>      ::= <Input arguments> "−>" <Output arguments>
<Input arguments> ::= <Argument list>
<Output arguments> ::= <Argument list>
<Argument list>  ::= nil | <Argument> | <Argument> "," <Argument list>
<Argument>        ::= "(" <Core dimension list> ")"
<Core dimension list> ::= nil | <Core dimension> |
                           <Core dimension> "," <Core dimension list>
<Core dimension>  ::= <Dimension name> <Dimension modifier>
<Dimension name>  ::= valid Python variable name | valid integer
<Dimension modifier> ::= nil | "?"

```

Notes:

1. All quotes are for clarity.
2. Unmodified core dimensions that share the same name must have the same size. Each dimension name typically corresponds to one level of looping in the elementary function’s implementation.
3. White spaces are ignored.
4. An integer as a dimension name freezes that dimension to the value.
5. If the name is suffixed with the “?” modifier, the dimension is a core dimension only if it exists on all inputs and outputs that share it; otherwise it is ignored (and replaced by a dimension of size 1 for the elementary function).

Here are some examples of signatures:

name	signature	common usage
add	() , () -> ()	binary ufunc
sum1d	(i) -> ()	reduction
inner1d	(i) , (i) -> ()	vector-vector multiplication
matmat	(m, n) , (n, p) -> (m, p)	matrix multiplication
vecmat	(n) , (n, p) -> (p)	vector-matrix multiplication
matvec	(m, n) , (n) -> (m)	matrix-vector multiplication
matmul	(m?, n) , (n, p?) -> (m?, p?)	combination of the four above
outer_inner	(i, t) , (j, t) -> (i, j)	inner over the last dimension, outer over the second to last, and loop/broadcast over the rest.
cross1d	(3) , (3) -> (3)	cross product where the last dimension is frozen and must be 3

The last is an instance of freezing a core dimension and can be used to improve ufunc performance

### 11.7.3 C-API for implementing Elementary Functions

The current interface remains unchanged, and `PyUFunc_FromFuncAndData` can still be used to implement (specialized) ufuncs, consisting of scalar elementary functions.

One can use `PyUFunc_FromFuncAndDataAndSignature` to declare a more general ufunc. The argument list is the same as `PyUFunc_FromFuncAndData`, with an additional argument specifying the signature as C string.

Furthermore, the callback function is of the same type as before, `void (*foo)(char **args, intp *dimensions, intp *steps, void *func)`. When invoked, `args` is a list of length `nargs` containing the data of all input/output arguments. For a scalar elementary function, `steps` is also of length `nargs`, denoting the strides used for the arguments. `dimensions` is a pointer to a single integer defining the size of the axis to be looped over.

For a non-trivial signature, `dimensions` will also contain the sizes of the core dimensions as well, starting at the second entry. Only one size is provided for each unique dimension name and the sizes are given according to the first occurrence of a dimension name in the signature.

The first `nargs` elements of `steps` remain the same as for scalar ufuncs. The following elements contain the strides of all core dimensions for all arguments in order.

For example, consider a ufunc with signature `(i, j), (i) -> ()`. In this case, `args` will contain three pointers to the data of the input/output arrays `a`, `b`, `c`. Furthermore, `dimensions` will be `[N, I, J]` to define the size of `N` of the loop and the sizes `I` and `J` for the core dimensions `i` and `j`. Finally, `steps` will be `[a_N, b_N, c_N, a_i, a_j, b_i]`, containing all necessary strides.

## 11.8 NumPy core libraries

New in version 1.3.0.

Starting from numpy 1.3.0, we are working on separating the pure C, “computational” code from the python dependent code. The goal is twofolds: making the code cleaner, and enabling code reuse by other extensions outside numpy (scipy, etc...).

## 11.8.1 NumPy core math library

The numpy core math library ('npymath') is a first step in this direction. This library contains most math-related C99 functionality, which can be used on platforms where C99 is not well supported. The core math functions have the same API as the C99 ones, except for the `npy_*` prefix.

The available functions are defined in `<numpy/npy_math.h>` - please refer to this header when in doubt.

### Floating point classification

#### `NPY_NAN`

This macro is defined to a NaN (Not a Number), and is guaranteed to have the signbit unset ('positive' NaN). The corresponding single and extension precision macro are available with the suffix F and L.

#### `NPY_INFINITY`

This macro is defined to a positive inf. The corresponding single and extension precision macro are available with the suffix F and L.

#### `NPY_PZERO`

This macro is defined to positive zero. The corresponding single and extension precision macro are available with the suffix F and L.

#### `NPY_NZERO`

This macro is defined to negative zero (that is with the sign bit set). The corresponding single and extension precision macro are available with the suffix F and L.

#### `npy_isnan(x)`

This is a macro, and is equivalent to C99 `isnan`: works for single, double and extended precision, and return a non 0 value if x is a NaN.

#### `npy_isfinite(x)`

This is a macro, and is equivalent to C99 `isfinite`: works for single, double and extended precision, and return a non 0 value if x is neither a NaN nor an infinity.

#### `npy_isinf(x)`

This is a macro, and is equivalent to C99 `isinf`: works for single, double and extended precision, and return a non 0 value if x is infinite (positive and negative).

#### `npy_signbit(x)`

This is a macro, and is equivalent to C99 `signbit`: works for single, double and extended precision, and return a non 0 value if x has the signbit set (that is the number is negative).

#### `npy_copysign(x, y)`

This is a function equivalent to C99 `copysign`: return x with the same sign as y. Works for any value, including inf and nan. Single and extended precisions are available with suffix f and l.

New in version 1.4.0.

## Useful math constants

The following math constants are available in `npy_math.h`. Single and extended precision are also available by adding the `f` and `l` suffixes respectively.

### `NPY_E`

Base of natural logarithm ( $e$ )

### `NPY_LOG2E`

Logarithm to base 2 of the Euler constant ( $\frac{\ln(e)}{\ln(2)}$ )

### `NPY_LOG10E`

Logarithm to base 10 of the Euler constant ( $\frac{\ln(e)}{\ln(10)}$ )

### `NPY_LOGE2`

Natural logarithm of 2 ( $\ln(2)$ )

### `NPY_LOGE10`

Natural logarithm of 10 ( $\ln(10)$ )

### `NPY_PI`

Pi ( $\pi$ )

### `NPY_PI_2`

Pi divided by 2 ( $\frac{\pi}{2}$ )

### `NPY_PI_4`

Pi divided by 4 ( $\frac{\pi}{4}$ )

### `NPY_1_PI`

Reciprocal of pi ( $\frac{1}{\pi}$ )

### `NPY_2_PI`

Two times the reciprocal of pi ( $\frac{2}{\pi}$ )

### `NPY_EULER`

#### The Euler constant

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} - \ln n \right)$$

## Low-level floating point manipulation

Those can be useful for precise floating point comparison.

`double npy_nextafter` (double x, double y)

This is a function equivalent to C99 `nextafter`: return next representable floating point value from x in the direction of y. Single and extended precisions are available with suffix f and l.

New in version 1.4.0.

`double npy_spacing` (double x)

This is a function equivalent to Fortran intrinsic. Return distance between x and next representable floating point value from x, e.g. `spacing(1) == eps`. `spacing` of nan and +/- inf return nan. Single and extended precisions are available with suffix f and l.

New in version 1.4.0.

```
void npy_set_floatstatus_divbyzero()
```

Set the divide by zero floating point exception

New in version 1.6.0.

```
void npy_set_floatstatus_overflow()
```

Set the overflow floating point exception

New in version 1.6.0.

```
void npy_set_floatstatus_underflow()
```

Set the underflow floating point exception

New in version 1.6.0.

```
void npy_set_floatstatus_invalid()
```

Set the invalid floating point exception

New in version 1.6.0.

```
int npy_get_floatstatus()
```

Get floating point status. Returns a bitmask with following possible flags:

- NPY\_FPE\_DIVIDEBYZERO
- NPY\_FPE\_OVERFLOW
- NPY\_FPE\_UNDERFLOW
- NPY\_FPE\_INVALID

Note that `npy_get_floatstatus_barrier` is preferable as it prevents aggressive compiler optimizations reordering the call relative to the code setting the status, which could lead to incorrect results.

New in version 1.9.0.

```
int npy_get_floatstatus_barrier(char*)
```

Get floating point status. A pointer to a local variable is passed in to prevent aggressive compiler optimizations from reordering this function call relative to the code setting the status, which could lead to incorrect results.

Returns a bitmask with following possible flags:

- NPY\_FPE\_DIVIDEBYZERO
- NPY\_FPE\_OVERFLOW
- NPY\_FPE\_UNDERFLOW
- NPY\_FPE\_INVALID

New in version 1.15.0.

```
int npy_clear_floatstatus()
```

Clears the floating point status. Returns the previous status mask.

Note that `npy_clear_floatstatus_barrier` is preferable as it prevents aggressive compiler optimizations reordering the call relative to the code setting the status, which could lead to incorrect results.

New in version 1.9.0.

```
int npy_clear_floatstatus_barrier(char*)
```

Clears the floating point status. A pointer to a local variable is passed in to prevent aggressive compiler optimizations from reordering this function call. Returns the previous status mask.

New in version 1.15.0.

## Complex functions

New in version 1.4.0.

C99-like complex functions have been added. Those can be used if you wish to implement portable C extensions. Since we still support platforms without C99 complex type, you need to restrict to C90-compatible syntax, e.g.:

```
/* a = 1 + 2i */
npy_complex a = npy_cpack(1, 2);
npy_complex b;

b = npy_log(a);
```

## Linking against the core math library in an extension

New in version 1.4.0.

To use the core math library in your own extension, you need to add the npymath compile and link options to your extension in your setup.py:

```
>>> from numpy.distutils.misc_util import get_info
>>> info = get_info('npymath')
>>> _ = config.add_extension('foo', sources=['foo.c'], extra_info=info)
```

In other words, the usage of info is exactly the same as when using blas\_info and co.

## Half-precision functions

New in version 1.6.0.

The header file <numpy/halffloat.h> provides functions to work with IEEE 754-2008 16-bit floating point values. While this format is not typically used for numerical computations, it is useful for storing values which require floating point but do not need much precision. It can also be used as an educational tool to understand the nature of floating point round-off error.

Like for other types, NumPy includes a typedef npy\_half for the 16 bit float. Unlike for most of the other types, you cannot use this as a normal type in C, since it is a typedef for npy\_uint16. For example, 1.0 looks like 0x3c00 to C, and if you do an equality comparison between the different signed zeros, you will get -0.0 != 0.0 (0x8000 != 0x0000), which is incorrect.

For these reasons, NumPy provides an API to work with npy\_half values accessible by including <numpy/halffloat.h> and linking to 'npymath'. For functions that are not provided directly, such as the arithmetic operations, the preferred method is to convert to float or double and back again, as in the following example.

```
npy_half sum(int n, npy_half *array) {
    float ret = 0;
    while(n--) {
        ret += npy_half_to_float(*array++);
    }
    return npy_float_to_half(ret);
}
```

External Links:

- 754-2008 IEEE Standard for Floating-Point Arithmetic
- Half-precision Float Wikipedia Article.

- OpenGL Half Float Pixel Support
- The OpenEXR image format.

**NPY\_HALF\_ZERO**

This macro is defined to positive zero.

**NPY\_HALF\_PZERO**

This macro is defined to positive zero.

**NPY\_HALF\_NZERO**

This macro is defined to negative zero.

**NPY\_HALF\_ONE**

This macro is defined to 1.0.

**NPY\_HALF\_NEGONE**

This macro is defined to -1.0.

**NPY\_HALF\_PINF**

This macro is defined to +inf.

**NPY\_HALF\_NINF**

This macro is defined to -inf.

**NPY\_HALF\_NAN**

This macro is defined to a NaN value, guaranteed to have its sign bit unset.

`float npy_half_to_float (npy_half h)`

Converts a half-precision float to a single-precision float.

`double npy_half_to_double (npy_half h)`

Converts a half-precision float to a double-precision float.

`npy_half npy_float_to_half (float f)`

Converts a single-precision float to a half-precision float. The value is rounded to the nearest representable half, with ties going to the nearest even. If the value is too small or too big, the system's floating point underflow or overflow bit will be set.

`npy_half npy_double_to_half (double d)`

Converts a double-precision float to a half-precision float. The value is rounded to the nearest representable half, with ties going to the nearest even. If the value is too small or too big, the system's floating point underflow or overflow bit will be set.

`int npy_half_eq (npy_half h1, npy_half h2)`

Compares two half-precision floats ( $h1 == h2$ ).

`int npy_half_ne (npy_half h1, npy_half h2)`

Compares two half-precision floats ( $h1 != h2$ ).

`int npy_half_le (npy_half h1, npy_half h2)`

Compares two half-precision floats ( $h1 \leq h2$ ).

`int npy_half_lt (npy_half h1, npy_half h2)`

Compares two half-precision floats ( $h1 < h2$ ).

`int npy_half_ge (npy_half h1, npy_half h2)`

Compares two half-precision floats ( $h1 \geq h2$ ).

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**int `npy_half_gt` (`npy_half` h1, `npy_half` h2)**

Compares two half-precision floats ( $h1 > h2$ ).

**int `npy_half_eq_nonan` (`npy_half` h1, `npy_half` h2)**

Compares two half-precision floats that are known to not be NaN ( $h1 == h2$ ). If a value is NaN, the result is undefined.

**int `npy_half_lt_nonan` (`npy_half` h1, `npy_half` h2)**

Compares two half-precision floats that are known to not be NaN ( $h1 < h2$ ). If a value is NaN, the result is undefined.

**int `npy_half_le_nonan` (`npy_half` h1, `npy_half` h2)**

Compares two half-precision floats that are known to not be NaN ( $h1 \leq h2$ ). If a value is NaN, the result is undefined.

**int `npy_half_iszero` (`npy_half` h)**

Tests whether the half-precision float has a value equal to zero. This may be slightly faster than calling `npy_half_eq(h, NPY_ZERO)`.

**int `npy_half_isnan` (`npy_half` h)**

Tests whether the half-precision float is a NaN.

**int `npy_half_isinf` (`npy_half` h)**

Tests whether the half-precision float is plus or minus Inf.

**int `npy_half_isfinite` (`npy_half` h)**

Tests whether the half-precision float is finite (not NaN or Inf).

**int `npy_half_signbit` (`npy_half` h)**

Returns 1 if h is negative, 0 otherwise.

**`npy_half npy_half_copysign` (`npy_half` x, `npy_half` y)**

Returns the value of x with the sign bit copied from y. Works for any value, including Inf and NaN.

**`npy_half npy_half_spacing` (`npy_half` h)**

This is the same for half-precision float as `npy_spacing` and `npy_spacings` described in the low-level floating point section.

**`npy_half npy_half_nextafter` (`npy_half` x, `npy_half` y)**

This is the same for half-precision float as `npy_nextafter` and `npy_nextafterf` described in the low-level floating point section.

**`npy_uint16 npy_floatbits_to_halfbits` (`npy_uint32` f)**

Low-level function which converts a 32-bit single-precision float, stored as a uint32, into a 16-bit half-precision float.

**`npy_uint16 npy_doublebits_to_halfbits` (`npy_uint64` d)**

Low-level function which converts a 64-bit double-precision float, stored as a uint64, into a 16-bit half-precision float.

**`npy_uint32 npy_halfbits_to_floatbits` (`npy_uint16` h)**

Low-level function which converts a 16-bit half-precision float into a 32-bit single-precision float, stored as a uint32.

**`npy_uint64 npy_halfbits_to_doublebits` (`npy_uint16` h)**

Low-level function which converts a 16-bit half-precision float into a 64-bit double-precision float, stored as a uint64.

## 11.9 C API Deprecations

### 11.9.1 Background

The API exposed by NumPy for third-party extensions has grown over years of releases, and has allowed programmers to directly access NumPy functionality from C. This API can be best described as “organic”. It has emerged from multiple competing desires and from multiple points of view over the years, strongly influenced by the desire to make it easy for users to move to NumPy from Numeric and Numarray. The core API originated with Numeric in 1995 and there are patterns such as the heavy use of macros written to mimic Python’s C-API as well as account for compiler technology of the late 90’s. There is also only a small group of volunteers who have had very little time to spend on improving this API.

There is an ongoing effort to improve the API. It is important in this effort to ensure that code that compiles for NumPy 1.X continues to compile for NumPy 1.X. At the same time, certain API’s will be marked as deprecated so that future-looking code can avoid these API’s and follow better practices.

Another important role played by deprecation markings in the C API is to move towards hiding internal details of the NumPy implementation. For those needing direct, easy, access to the data of ndarrays, this will not remove this ability. Rather, there are many potential performance optimizations which require changing the implementation details, and NumPy developers have been unable to try them because of the high value of preserving ABI compatibility. By deprecating this direct access, we will in the future be able to improve NumPy’s performance in ways we cannot presently.

### 11.9.2 Deprecation Mechanism NPY\_NO\_DEPRECATED\_API

In C, there is no equivalent to the deprecation warnings that Python supports. One way to do deprecations is to flag them in the documentation and release notes, then remove or change the deprecated features in a future major version (NumPy 2.0 and beyond). Minor versions of NumPy should not have major C-API changes, however, that prevent code that worked on a previous minor release. For example, we will do our best to ensure that code that compiled and worked on NumPy 1.4 should continue to work on NumPy 1.7 (but perhaps with compiler warnings).

To use the NPY\_NO\_DEPRECATED\_API mechanism, you need to #define it to the target API version of NumPy before #including any NumPy headers. If you want to confirm that your code is clean against 1.7, use:

```
#define NPY_NO_DEPRECATED_API NPY_1_7_API_VERSION
```

On compilers which support a #warning mechanism, NumPy issues a compiler warning if you do not define the symbol NPY\_NO\_DEPRECATED\_API. This way, the fact that there are deprecations will be flagged for third-party developers who may not have read the release notes closely.

## 11.10 Memory management in NumPy

The `numpy.ndarray` is a python class. It requires additional memory allocations to hold `numpy.ndarray.strides`, `numpy.ndarray.shape` and `numpy.ndarray.data` attributes. These attributes are specially allocated after creating the python object in `__new__`. The `strides` and `shape` are stored in a piece of memory allocated internally.

The `data` allocation used to store the actual array values (which could be pointers in the case of object arrays) can be very large, so NumPy has provided interfaces to manage its allocation and release. This document details how those interfaces work.

### 11.10.1 Historical overview

Since version 1.7.0, NumPy has exposed a set of `PyDataMem_*` functions (`PyDataMem_NEW`, `PyDataMem_FREE`, `PyDataMem_RENEW`) which are backed by `alloc`, `free`, `realloc` respectively. In that version NumPy also exposed the `PyDataMem_EventHook` function (now deprecated) described below, which wrap the OS-level calls.

Since those early days, Python also improved its memory management capabilities, and began providing various `management policies` beginning in version 3.4. These routines are divided into a set of domains, each domain has a `PyMemAllocatorEx` structure of routines for memory management. Python also added a `tracemalloc` module to trace calls to the various routines. These tracking hooks were added to the NumPy `PyDataMem_*` routines.

NumPy added a small cache of allocated memory in its internal `npy_alloc_cache`, `npy_alloc_cache_zero`, and `npy_free_cache` functions. These wrap `alloc`, `alloc-and-memset(0)` and `free` respectively, but when `npy_free_cache` is called, it adds the pointer to a short list of available blocks marked by size. These blocks can be re-used by subsequent calls to `npy_alloc*`, avoiding memory thrashing.

### 11.10.2 Configurable memory routines in NumPy (NEP 49)

Users may wish to override the internal data memory routines with ones of their own. Since NumPy does not use the Python domain strategy to manage data memory, it provides an alternative set of C-APIs to change memory routines. There are no Python domain-wide strategies for large chunks of object data, so those are less suited to NumPy's needs. User who wish to change the NumPy data memory management routines can use `PyDataMem_SetHandler`, which uses a `PyDataMem_Handler` structure to hold pointers to functions used to manage the data memory. The calls are still wrapped by internal routines to call `PyTraceMalloc_Track`, `PyTraceMalloc_Untrack`, and will use the deprecated `PyDataMem_EventHookFunc` mechanism. Since the functions may change during the lifetime of the process, each `ndarray` carries with it the functions used at the time of its instantiation, and these will be used to reallocate or free the data memory of the instance.

type `PyDataMem_Handler`

A struct to hold function pointers used to manipulate memory

```
typedef struct {
    char name[127]; /* multiple of 64 to keep the struct aligned */
    uint8_t version; /* currently 1 */
    PyDataMemAllocator allocator;
} PyDataMem_Handler;
```

where the allocator structure is

```
/* The declaration of free differs from PyMemAllocatorEx */
typedef struct {
    void *ctx;
    void* (*malloc) (void *ctx, size_t size);
    void* (*calloc) (void *ctx, size_t nelem, size_t elsize);
    void* (*realloc) (void *ctx, void *ptr, size_t new_size);
    void (*free) (void *ctx, void *ptr, size_t size);
} PyDataMemAllocator;
```

`PyObject *PyDataMem_SetHandler(PyObject *handler)`

Set a new allocation policy. If the input value is `NULL`, will reset the policy to the default. Return the previous policy, or return `NULL` if an error has occurred. We wrap the user-provided functions so they will still call the python and numpy memory management callback hooks.

`PyObject *PyDataMem_GetHandler()`

Return the current policy that will be used to allocate data for the next `PyArrayObject`. On failure, return `NULL`.

For an example of setting up and using the PyDataMem\_Handler, see the test in `numpy/core/tests/test_mem_policy.py`

```
void PyDataMem_EventHookFunc (void *inp, void *outp, size_t size, void *user_data);
```

This function will be called during data memory manipulation

```
PyDataMem_EventHookFunc *PyDataMem_SetEventHook (PyDataMem_EventHookFunc *newhook, void *user_data, void **old_data)
```

Sets the allocation event hook for numpy array data.

Returns a pointer to the previous hook or NULL. If old\_data is non-NULL, the previous user\_data pointer will be copied to it.

If not NULL, hook will be called at the end of each PyDataMem\_NEW/FREE/RENEW:

```
result = PyDataMem_NEW(size)           -> (*hook)(NULL, result, size, user_data)
PyDataMem_FREE(ptr)                  -> (*hook)(ptr, NULL, 0, user_data)
result = PyDataMem_RENEW(ptr, size)   -> (*hook)(ptr, result, size, user_data)
```

When the hook is called, the GIL will be held by the calling thread. The hook should be written to be reentrant, if it performs operations that might cause new allocation events (such as the creation/destruction numpy objects, or creating/destroying Python objects which might cause a gc).

Deprecated in v1.23

### 11.10.3 What happens when deallocating if there is no policy set

A rare but useful technique is to allocate a buffer outside NumPy, use `PyArray_NewFromDescr` to wrap the buffer in a ndarray, then switch the OWNDATA flag to true. When the ndarray is released, the appropriate function from the ndarray's PyDataMem\_Handler should be called to free the buffer. But the PyDataMem\_Handler field was never set, it will be NULL. For backward compatibility, NumPy will call `free()` to release the buffer. If `NUMPY_WARN_IF_NO_MEM_POLICY` is set to 1, a warning will be emitted. The current default is not to emit a warning, this may change in a future version of NumPy.

A better technique would be to use a PyCapsule as a base object:

```
/* define a PyCapsule_Destructor, using the correct deallocator for buff */
void free_wrap(void *capsule) {
    void * obj = PyCapsule_GetPointer(capsule, PyCapsule.GetName(capsule));
    free(obj);
}

/* then inside the function that creates arr from buff */
...
arr = PyArray_NewFromDescr(... buf, ...);
if (arr == NULL) {
    return NULL;
}
capsule = PyCapsule_New(buf, "my_wrapped_buffer",
                       (PyCapsule_Destructor)&free_wrap);
if (PyArray_SetBaseObject(arr, capsule) == -1) {
    Py_DECREF(arr);
    return NULL;
}
...
```

## CPU/SIMD OPTIMIZATIONS

NumPy comes with a flexible working mechanism that allows it to harness the SIMD features that CPUs own, in order to provide faster and more stable performance on all popular platforms. Currently, NumPy supports the X86, IBM/Power, ARM7 and ARM8 architectures.

The optimization process in NumPy is carried out in three layers:

- Code is *written* using the universal intrinsics which is a set of types, macros and functions that are mapped to each supported instruction-sets by using guards that will enable use of them only when the compiler recognizes them. This allow us to generate multiple kernels for the same functionality, in which each generated kernel represents a set of instructions that related one or multiple certain CPU features. The first kernel represents the minimum (baseline) CPU features, and the other kernels represent the additional (dispatched) CPU features.
- At *compile* time, CPU build options are used to define the minimum and additional features to support, based on user choice and compiler support. The appropriate intrinsics are overlaid with the platform / architecture intrinsics, and multiple kernels are compiled.
- At *runtime import*, the CPU is probed for the set of supported CPU features. A mechanism is used to grab the pointer to the most appropriate kernel, and this will be the one called for the function.

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**Note:** NumPy community had a deep discussion before implementing this work, please check [NEP-38](#) for more clarification.

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## 12.1 CPU build options

### 12.1.1 Description

The following options are mainly used to change the default behavior of optimizations that target certain CPU features:

- **--cpu-baseline:** minimal set of required CPU features.

Default value is `min` which provides the minimum CPU features that can safely run on a wide range of platforms within the processor family.

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**Note:** During the runtime, NumPy modules will fail to load if any of specified features are not supported by the target CPU (raises Python runtime error).

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- **--cpu-dispatch:** dispatched set of additional CPU features.

Default value is `max -xop -fma4` which enables all CPU features, except for AMD legacy features (in case of X86).

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**Note:** During the runtime, NumPy modules will skip any specified features that are not available in the target CPU.

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These options are accessible through `distutils` commands `distutils.command.build`, `distutils.command.build_clib` and `distutils.command.build_ext`. They accept a set of *CPU features* or groups of features that gather several features or *special options* that perform a series of procedures.

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**Note:** If `build_clib` or `build_ext` are not specified by the user, the arguments of `build` will be used instead, which also holds the default values.

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To customize both `build_ext` and `build_clib`:

```
cd /path/to/numpy
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="avx2 fma3" install --user
```

To customize only `build_ext`:

```
cd /path/to/numpy
python setup.py build_ext --cpu-baseline="avx2 fma3" install --user
```

To customize only `build_clib`:

```
cd /path/to/numpy
python setup.py build_clib --cpu-baseline="avx2 fma3" install --user
```

You can also customize CPU/build options through PIP command:

```
pip install --no-use-pep517 --global-option=build \
--global-option="--cpu-baseline=avx2 fma3" \
--global-option="--cpu-dispatch=max" ./
```

## 12.1.2 Quick Start

In general, the default settings tend to not impose certain CPU features that may not be available on some older processors. Raising the ceiling of the baseline features will often improve performance and may also reduce binary size.

The following are the most common scenarios that may require changing the default settings:

### I am building NumPy for my local use

And I do not intend to export the build to other users or target a different CPU than what the host has.

Set *native* for baseline, or manually specify the CPU features in case of option *native* isn't supported by your platform:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="native" bdist
```

Building NumPy with extra CPU features isn't necessary for this case, since all supported features are already defined within the baseline features:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline=native --cpu-dispatch=none bdist
```

---

**Note:** A fatal error will be raised if *native* isn't supported by the host platform.

---

### I do not want to support the old processors of the *x86* architecture

Since most of the CPUs nowadays support at least *AVX*, *F16C* features, you can use:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="avx f16c" bdist
```

---

**Note:** `--cpu-baseline` force combine all implied features, so there's no need to add SSE features.

---

### I'm facing the same case above but with *ppc64* architecture

Then raise the ceiling of the baseline features to Power8:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="vsx2" bdist
```

### Having issues with *AVX512* features?

You may have some reservations about including of *AVX512* or any other CPU feature and you want to exclude from the dispatched features:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-dispatch="max -avx512f -avx512cd \
-avx512_knl -avx512_knm -avx512_skx -avx512_clx -avx512_cnl -avx512_icl" \
bdist
```

## 12.1.3 Supported Features

The names of the features can express one feature or a group of features, as shown in the following tables supported depend on the lowest interest:

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**Note:** The following features may not be supported by all compilers, also some compilers may produce different set of implied features when it comes to features like AVX512, AVX2, and FMA3. See *Platform differences* for more details.

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**On x86**

Name	Implies	Gathers
SSE	SSE2	
SSE2	SSE	
SSE3	SSE SSE2	
SSSE3	SSE SSE2 SSE3	
SSE41	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3	
POPCNT	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41	
SSE42	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT	
AVX	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42	
XOP	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX	
FMA4	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX	
F16C	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX	
FMA3	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C	
AVX2	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C	
AVX512FSSE	SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2	
AVX512CD	SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F	
AVX512KNE	SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD	AVX512ER AVX512PF
AVX512KSM	SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD AVX512_KNL	AVX5124FMAPS AVX5124VNNIW AVX512VPOPCNTDQ
AVX512SKX	SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD	AVX512VL AVX512BW AVX512DQ
AVX512SKX	SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD AVX512_SKX	AVX512VNNI
AVX512SNE	SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD AVX512_SKX	AVX512IFMA AVX512VBMI
AVX512SSE	SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD AVX512_SKX AVX512_CLX AVX512_CNL	AVX512VBMI2 AVX512BITALG AVX512VPOPCNTDQ

**On IBM/POWER big-endian**

Name	Implies
VSX	
VSX2	VSX
VSX3	VSX VSX2
VSX4	VSX VSX2 VSX3

### On IBM/POWER little-endian

Name	Implies
VSX	VSX2
VSX2	VSX
VSX3	VSX VSX2
VSX4	VSX VSX2 VSX3

### On ARMv7/A32

Name	Implies
NEON	
NEON_FP16	NEON
NEON_VFPV4	NEON NEON_FP16
ASIMD	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4
ASIMDHP	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD
ASIMDDP	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD
ASIMDFHM	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD ASIMDHP

### On ARMv8/A64

Name	Implies
NEON	NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD
NEON_FP16	NEON NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD
NEON_VFPV4	NEON NEON_FP16 ASIMD
ASIMD	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4
ASIMDHP	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD
ASIMDDP	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD
ASIMDFHM	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD ASIMDHP

### On IBM/ZSYSTEM(S390X)

Name	Implies
VX	
VXE	VX
VXE2	VX VXE

## 12.1.4 Special Options

- **NONE**: enable no features.
- **NATIVE**: Enables all CPU features that supported by the host CPU, this operation is based on the compiler flags (`-march=native`, `-xHost`, `/QxHost`)
- **MIN**: Enables the minimum CPU features that can safely run on a wide range of platforms:

For Arch	Implies
x86 (32-bit mode)	SSE SSE2
x86_64	SSE SSE2 SSE3
IBM/POWER (big-endian mode)	NONE
IBM/POWER (little-endian mode)	VSX VSX2
ARMHF	NONE
ARM64 A.K. AARCH64	NEON NEON_FP16 NEON_VFPV4 ASIMD
IBM/ZSYSTEM(S390X)	NONE

- **MAX**: Enables all supported CPU features by the compiler and platform.
- Operators `-/+`: remove or add features, useful with options MAX, MIN and NATIVE.

## 12.1.5 Behaviors

- CPU features and other options are case-insensitive, for example:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-dispatch="SSE41 avx2 FMA3"
```

- The order of the requested optimizations doesn't matter:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-dispatch="SSE41 AVX2 FMA3"
# equivalent to
python setup.py build --cpu-dispatch="FMA3 AVX2 SSE41"
```

- Either commas or spaces or ‘+’ can be used as a separator, for example:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-dispatch="avx2 avx512f"
# or
python setup.py build --cpu-dispatch=avx2,avx512f
# or
python setup.py build --cpu-dispatch="avx2+avx512f"
```

all works but arguments should be enclosed in quotes or escaped by backslash if any spaces are used.

- `--cpu-baseline` combines all implied CPU features, for example:

```
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline=sse42
# equivalent to
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="sse sse2 sse3 ssse3 sse41 popcnt sse42"
```

- `--cpu-baseline` will be treated as “native” if compiler native flag `-march=native` or `-xHost` or `/QxHost` is enabled through environment variable `CFLAGS`:

```
export CFLAGS="-march=native"
python setup.py install --user
```

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```
# is equivalent to
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline=native install --user
```

- `--cpu-baseline` escapes any specified features that aren't supported by the target platform or compiler rather than raising fatal errors.

**Note:** Since `--cpu-baseline` combines all implied features, the maximum supported of implied features will be enabled rather than escape all of them. For example:

```
# Requesting `AVX2,FMA3` but the compiler only support **SSE** features
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="avx2 fma3"
# is equivalent to
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="sse sse2 sse3 ssse3 sse41 popcnt
→sse42"
```

- `--cpu-dispatch` does not combine any of implied CPU features, so you must add them unless you want to disable one or all of them:

```
# Only dispatches AVX2 and FMA3
python setup.py build --cpu-dispatch=avx2,fma3
# Dispatches AVX and SSE features
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline=ssse3,sse41,sse42,avx,avx2,fma3
```

- `--cpu-dispatch` escapes any specified baseline features and also escapes any features not supported by the target platform or compiler without raising fatal errors.

Eventually, you should always check the final report through the build log to verify the enabled features. See [Build report](#) for more details.

## 12.1.6 Platform differences

Some exceptional conditions force us to link some features together when it comes to certain compilers or architectures, resulting in the impossibility of building them separately.

These conditions can be divided into two parts, as follows:

### Architectural compatibility

The need to align certain CPU features that are assured to be supported by successive generations of the same architecture, some cases:

- On ppc64le VSX (ISA 2.06) and VSX2 (ISA 2.07) both imply one another since the first generation that supports little-endian mode is Power-8 (ISA 2.07)\*
- On AArch64 NEON NEON\_FP16 NEON\_VFPV4 ASIMD implies each other since they are part of the hardware baseline.

For example:

```
# On ARMv8/A64, specify NEON is going to enable Advanced SIMD
# and all predecessor extensions
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline=neon
# which equivalent to
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="neon neon_fp16 neon_vfpv4 asimd"
```

---

**Note:** Please take a deep look at [Supported Features](#), in order to determine the features that imply one another.

---

### Compilation compatibility

Some compilers don't provide independent support for all CPU features. For instance **Intel's** compiler doesn't provide separated flags for AVX2 and FMA3, it makes sense since all Intel CPUs that comes with AVX2 also support FMA3, but this approach is incompatible with other **x86** CPUs from **AMD** or **VIA**.

For example:

```
# Specify AVX2 will force enables FMA3 on Intel compilers
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline=avx2
# which equivalent to
python setup.py build --cpu-baseline="avx2 fma3"
```

The following tables only show the differences imposed by some compilers from the general context that been shown in the [Supported Features](#) tables:

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**Note:** Features names with strikeout represent the unsupported CPU features.

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### On x86::Intel Compiler

Name	Implies
FMA3	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C AVX2
AVX2	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3
AVX512F	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512CD
XOP	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX
FMA4	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX

### On x86::Microsoft Visual C/C++

Name	Implies	Gathers
FMA3	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C AVX2	
AVX2	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3	
AVX512F	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512CD AVX512_SKX	
AVX512CD	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512_SKX	
AVX512_KNNE	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD	AVX512ER AVX512PF
AVX512_KNNM	SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD AVX512_KNL	AVX5124FMAPS AVX5124VNNIW AVX512VPOPCNTDQ

## 12.1.7 Build report

In most cases, the CPU build options do not produce any fatal errors that lead to hanging the build. Most of the errors that may appear in the build log serve as heavy warnings due to the lack of some expected CPU features by the compiler.

So we strongly recommend checking the final report log, to be aware of what kind of CPU features are enabled and what are not.

You can find the final report of CPU optimizations at the end of the build log, and here is how it looks on x86\_64/gcc:

```
#####
EXT COMPILER OPTIMIZATION #####
Platform      :
Architecture: x64
Compiler      : gcc

CPU baseline  :
Requested     : 'min'
Enabled       : SSE SSE2 SSE3
Flags         : -msse -msse2 -msse3
Extra checks: none

CPU dispatch   :
Requested     : 'max -xop -fma4'
Enabled       : SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD AVX512_
-> KNL AVX512_KNM AVX512_SKX AVX512_CLX AVX512_CNL AVX512_ICL
Generated     :
:
SSE41        : SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3
Flags         : -msse -msse2 -msse3 -mssse3 -msse4.1
Extra checks: none
Detect        : SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41
               : build/src/linux-x86_64-3.9(numpy/core/src/umath/loops_arithmetic.
-> dispatch.c
               : numpy/core/src/umath/_umath_tests.dispatch.c
:
SSE42        : SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT
Flags         : -msse -msse2 -msse3 -mssse3 -msse4.1 -mpopcnt -msse4.2
Extra checks: none
Detect        : SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42
               : build/src/linux-x86_64-3.9(numpy/core/src/_simd/_simd.dispatch.c
:
AVX2         : SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C
Flags         : -msse -msse2 -msse3 -mssse3 -msse4.1 -mpopcnt -msse4.2 -mavx -mf16c -
-> mvx2
Extra checks: none
Detect        : AVX F16C AVX2
               : build/src/linux-x86_64-3.9(numpy/core/src/umath/loops_arithm_fp.
-> dispatch.c
               : build/src/linux-x86_64-3.9(numpy/core/src/umath/loops_arithetic.
-> dispatch.c
               : numpy/core/src/umath/_umath_tests.dispatch.c
:
(FMA3 AVX2)  : SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C
Flags         : -msse -msse2 -msse3 -mssse3 -msse4.1 -mpopcnt -msse4.2 -mavx -mf16c -
-> mfma -mvx2
Extra checks: none
Detect        : AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2
               : build/src/linux-x86_64-3.9(numpy/core/src/_simd/_simd.dispatch.c
```

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```

        : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/umath/loops_exponent_log.

dispatch.c      :
    : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/umath/loops_trigonometric.

dispatch.c      :
    :
AVX512F        : SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2
Flags          : -msse -mssse2 -mssse3 -mssse4.1 -mpopcnt -mssse4.2 -maxx -mf16c -
dispatch.c      : -mfma -maxx2 -maxx512f
Extra checks: AVX512F_REDUCE
Detect         : AVX512F
                : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/_simd/_simd.dispatch.c
                : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/umath/loops_arithm_fp.

dispatch.c      :
    : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/umath/loops_arithmetic.

dispatch.c      :
    : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/umath/loops_exponent_log.

dispatch.c      :
    : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/umath/loops_trigonometric.

dispatch.c      :
    :
AVX512_SKX     : SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F_
dispatch.c      : -msse -mssse2 -mssse3 -mssse4.1 -mpopcnt -mssse4.2 -maxx -mf16c -
AVX512CD       : -mfma -maxx2 -maxx512f -maxx512cd -maxx512vl -maxx512bw -maxx512dq
Extra checks: AVX512BW_MASK AVX512DQ_MASK
Detect         : AVX512_SKX
                : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/_simd/_simd.dispatch.c
                : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/umath/loops_arithmetic.

dispatch.c      :
    : build/src.linux-x86_64-3.9/numpy/core/src/umath/loops_exponent_log.

dispatch.c      :
CCompilerOpt.cache_flush[804] : write cache to path -> /home/seiko/work/repos/numpy/
build/temp.linux-x86_64-3.9/ccompiler_opt_cache_ext.py

##### CLIB COMPILER OPTIMIZATION #####
Platform        :
    Architecture: x64
    Compiler     : gcc

CPU baseline   :
    Requested  : 'min'
    Enabled     : SSE SSE2 SSE3
    Flags       : -msse -mssse2 -mssse3
    Extra checks: none

CPU dispatch   :
    Requested  : 'max -xop -fma4'
    Enabled     : SSSE3 SSE41 POPCNT SSE42 AVX F16C FMA3 AVX2 AVX512F AVX512CD AVX512_
KNL AVX512_KNM AVX512_SKX AVX512_CLX AVX512_CNL AVX512_ICL
    Generated   : none

```

As you see, there is a separate report for each of `build_ext` and `build_clib` that includes several sections, and each section has several values, representing the following:

**Platform:**

- **Architecture:** The architecture name of target CPU. It should be one of `x86`, `x64`, `ppc64`, `ppc64le`, `armhf`, `aarch64`, `s390x` or `unknown`.

- Compiler: The compiler name. It should be one of gcc, clang, msvc, icc, iccw or unix-like.

#### CPU baseline:

- Requested: The specific features and options to --cpu-baseline as-is.
- Enabled: The final set of enabled CPU features.
- Flags: The compiler flags that were used to all NumPy C/C++ sources during the compilation except for temporary sources that have been used for generating the binary objects of dispatched features.
- Extra checks: list of internal checks that activate certain functionality or intrinsics related to the enabled features, useful for debugging when it comes to developing SIMD kernels.

#### CPU dispatch:

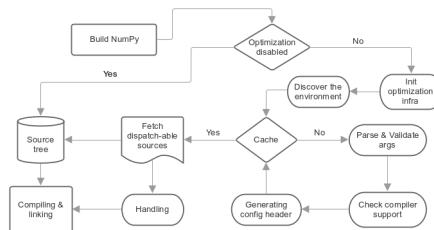
- Requested: The specific features and options to --cpu-dispatch as-is.
- Enabled: The final set of enabled CPU features.
- Generated: At the beginning of the next row of this property, the features for which optimizations have been generated are shown in the form of several sections with similar properties explained as follows:
  - One or multiple dispatched feature: The implied CPU features.
  - Flags: The compiler flags that been used for these features.
  - Extra checks: Similar to the baseline but for these dispatched features.
  - Detect: Set of CPU features that need be detected in runtime in order to execute the generated optimizations.
  - The lines that come after the above property and end with a ‘:’ on a separate line, represent the paths of c/c++ sources that define the generated optimizations.

### 12.1.8 Runtime Trace

To be completed.

## 12.2 How does the CPU dispatcher work?

NumPy dispatcher is based on multi-source compiling, which means taking a certain source and compiling it multiple times with different compiler flags and also with different C definitions that affect the code paths. This enables certain instruction-sets for each compiled object depending on the required optimizations and ends with linking the returned objects together.



This mechanism should support all compilers and it doesn't require any compiler-specific extension, but at the same time it adds a few steps to normal compilation that are explained as follows.

## 12.2.1 1- Configuration

Configuring the required optimization by the user before starting to build the source files via the two command arguments as explained above:

- `--cpu-baseline`: minimal set of required optimizations.
- `--cpu-dispatch`: dispatched set of additional optimizations.

## 12.2.2 2- Discovering the environment

In this part, we check the compiler and platform architecture and cache some of the intermediary results to speed up rebuilding.

## 12.2.3 3- Validating the requested optimizations

By testing them against the compiler, and seeing what the compiler can support according to the requested optimizations.

## 12.2.4 4- Generating the main configuration header

The generated header `_cpu_dispatch.h` contains all the definitions and headers of instruction-sets for the required optimizations that have been validated during the previous step.

It also contains extra C definitions that are used for defining NumPy's Python-level module attributes `__cpu_baseline__` and `__cpu_dispatch__`.

### What is in this header?

The example header was dynamically generated by gcc on an X86 machine. The compiler supports `--cpu-baseline="sse sse2 sse3"` and `--cpu-dispatch="ssse3 sse41"`, and the result is below.

```
// The header should be located at numpy/numpy/core/src/common/_cpu_dispatch.h
/**NOTE
** C definitions prefixed with "NPY_HAVE_" represent
** the required optimizations.
*/
***** baseline features *****/
/** SSE */
#define NPY_HAVE_SSE 1
#include <xmmmintrin.h>
/** SSE2 */
#define NPY_HAVE_SSE2 1
#include <emmintrin.h>
/** SSE3 */
#define NPY_HAVE_SSE3 1
#include <pmmintrin.h>

***** dispatchable features *****/
#ifndef NPY_CPU_TARGET_SSSE3
/** SSSE3 */
#define NPY_HAVE_SSSE3 1
#include <tmmmintrin.h>
```

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```
#endif
#ifndef NPY__CPU_TARGET_SSE41
/** SSE41 ***/
#define NPY_HAVE_SSE41 1
#include <smmintrin.h>
#endif
```

**Baseline features** are the minimal set of required optimizations configured via `--cpu-baseline`. They have no preprocessor guards and they're always on, which means they can be used in any source.

Does this mean NumPy's infrastructure passes the compiler's flags of baseline features to all sources?

Definitely, yes. But the *dispatchable sources* are treated differently.

What if the user specifies certain **baseline features** during the build but at runtime the machine doesn't support even these features? Will the compiled code be called via one of these definitions, or maybe the compiler itself auto-generated/vectorized certain piece of code based on the provided command line compiler flags?

During the loading of the NumPy module, there's a validation step which detects this behavior. It will raise a Python runtime error to inform the user. This is to prevent the CPU reaching an illegal instruction error causing a segfault.

**Dispatchable features** are our dispatched set of additional optimizations that were configured via `--cpu-dispatch`. They are not activated by default and are always guarded by other C definitions prefixed with `NPY__CPU_TARGET_`. C definitions `NPY__CPU_TARGET_` are only enabled within **dispatchable sources**.

## 12.2.5 5- Dispatchable sources and configuration statements

Dispatchable sources are special C files that can be compiled multiple times with different compiler flags and also with different C definitions. These affect code paths to enable certain instruction-sets for each compiled object according to “**the configuration statements**” that must be declared between a C comment `(/**/)` and start with a special mark `@targets` at the top of each dispatchable source. At the same time, dispatchable sources will be treated as normal C sources if the optimization was disabled by the command argument `--disable-optimization`.

### What are configuration statements?

Configuration statements are sort of keywords combined together to determine the required optimization for the dispatchable source.

Example:

```
/*@targets avx2 avx512f vsx2 vsx3 asimd asimdhp */
// C code
```

The keywords mainly represent the additional optimizations configured through `--cpu-dispatch`, but it can also represent other options such as:

- Target groups: pre-configured configuration statements used for managing the required optimizations from outside the dispatchable source.
- Policies: collections of options used for changing the default behaviors or forcing the compilers to perform certain things.
- “baseline”: a unique keyword represents the minimal optimizations that configured through `--cpu-baseline`

### Numpy's infrastructure handles dispatchable sources in four steps:

- **(A) Recognition:** Just like source templates and F2PY, the dispatchable sources requires a special extension `*.dispatch.c` to mark C dispatchable source files, and for C++ `*.dispatch.cpp` or `*.dispatch.cxx`
- NOTE:** C++ not supported yet.

- **(B) Parsing and validating:** In this step, the dispatch-able sources that had been filtered by the previous step are parsed and validated by the configuration statements for each one of them one by one in order to determine the required optimizations.
- **(C) Wrapping:** This is the approach taken by NumPy's infrastructure, which has proved to be sufficiently flexible in order to compile a single source multiple times with different C definitions and flags that affect the code paths. The process is achieved by creating a temporary C source for each required optimization that related to the additional optimization, which contains the declarations of the C definitions and includes the involved source via the C directive **#include**. For more clarification take a look at the following code for AVX512F :

```
/*
 * this definition is used by NumPy utilities as suffixes for the
 * exported symbols
 */
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_CURRENT AVX512F
/*
 * The following definitions enable
 * definitions of the dispatch-able features that are defined within the main
 * configuration header. These are definitions for the implied features.
 */
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_SSE
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_SSE2
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_SSE3
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_SSSE3
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_SSE41
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_POPCNT
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_SSE42
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_AVX
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_F16C
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_FMA3
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_AVX2
#define NPY__CPU_TARGET_AVX512F
// our dispatch-able source
#include "/the/absolute/path/of/hello.dispatch.c"
```

- **(D) Dispatch-able configuration header:** The infrastructure generates a config header for each dispatch-able source, this header mainly contains two abstract C macros used for identifying the generated objects, so they can be used for runtime dispatching certain symbols from the generated objects by any C source. It is also used for forward declarations.

The generated header takes the name of the dispatch-able source after excluding the extension and replace it with .h, for example assume we have a dispatch-able source called hello.dispatch.c and contains the following:

```
// hello.dispatch.c
/*@targets baseline sse42 avx512f */
#include <stdio.h>
#include "numpy/utils.h" // NPY_CAT, NPY_TOSTR

#ifndef NPY__CPU_TARGET_CURRENT
    // wrapping the dispatch-able source only happens to the additional
    ↵optimizations
    // but if the keyword 'baseline' provided within the configuration statements,
    // the infrastructure will add extra compiling for the dispatch-able source by
    // passing it as-is to the compiler without any changes.
    #define CURRENT_TARGET(X) X
    #define NPY__CPU_TARGET_CURRENT baseline // for printing only
#else
    // since we reach to this point, that's mean we're dealing with
```

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```

// the additional optimizations, so it could be SSE42 or AVX512F
#define CURRENT_TARGET(X) NPY_CAT(NPY_CAT(X, _), NPY__CPU_TARGET_CURRENT)
#endif
// Macro 'CURRENT_TARGET' adding the current target as suffix to the exported
// symbols,
// to avoid linking duplications, NumPy already has a macro called
// 'NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_CURFX' similar to it, located at
// numpy/numpy/core/src/common/npy_cpu_dispatch.h
// NOTE: we tend to not adding suffixes to the baseline exported symbols
void CURRENT_TARGET(simd_whoami) (const char *extra_info)
{
    printf("I'm " NPY_TOSTR(NPY__CPU_TARGET_CURRENT) ", %s\n", extra_info);
}

```

Now assume you attached **hello.dispatch.c** to the source tree, then the infrastructure should generate a temporary config header called **hello.dispatch.h** that can be reached by any source in the source tree, and it should contain the following code :

```

#ifndef NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_EXPAND
// To expand the macro calls in this header
#define NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_EXPAND_(X) X
#endif
// Undefining the following macros, due to the possibility of including config_
// headers
// multiple times within the same source and since each config header represents
// different required optimizations according to the specified configuration
// statements in the dispatch-able source that derived from it.
#undef NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_BASELINE_CALL
#undef NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_CALL
// nothing strange here, just a normal preprocessor callback
// enabled only if 'baseline' specified within the configuration statements
#define NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_BASELINE_CALL(CB, ...) \
    NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_EXPAND_(CB(__VA_ARGS__))
// 'NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_CALL' is an abstract macro is used for dispatching
// the required optimizations that specified within the configuration statements.
//
// @param CHK, Expected a macro that can be used to detect CPU features
// in runtime, which takes a CPU feature name without string quotes and
// returns the testing result in a shape of boolean value.
// NumPy already has macro called "NPY_CPU_HAVE", which fits this requirement.
//
// @param CB, a callback macro that expected to be called multiple times depending
// on the required optimizations, the callback should receive the following_
// arguments:
// 1- The pending calls of @param CHK filled up with the required CPU features,
//     that need to be tested first in runtime before executing call belong to
//     the compiled object.
// 2- The required optimization name, same as in 'NPY__CPU_TARGET_CURRENT'
// 3- Extra arguments in the macro itself
//
// By default the callback calls are sorted depending on the highest interest
// unless the policy "$keep_sort" was in place within the configuration statements
// see "Dive into the CPU dispatcher" for more clarification.
#define NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_CALL(CHK, CB, ...) \
    NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_EXPAND_(CB((CHK(AVX512F)), AVX512F, __VA_ARGS__)) \
    NPY__CPU_DISPATCH_EXPAND_(CB((CHK(SSE) &&CHK(SSE2) &&CHK(SSE3) &&CHK(SSSE3) &&
    ↪CHK(SSE41)), SSE41, __VA_ARGS__))

```

An example of using the config header in light of the above:

```
// NOTE: The following macros are only defined for demonstration purposes only.
// NumPy already has a collections of macros located at
// numpy/numpy/core/src/common/npy_cpu_dispatch.h, that covers all dispatching
// and declarations scenarios.

#include "numpy/npy_cpu_features.h" // NPY_CPU_HAVE
#include "numpy/utils.h" // NPY_CAT, NPY_EXPAND

// An example for setting a macro that calls all the exported symbols at once
// after checking if they're supported by the running machine.
#define DISPATCH_CALL_ALL(FN, ARGS) \
    NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_CALL(NPY_CPU_HAVE, DISPATCH_CALL_ALL_CB, FN, ARGS) \
    NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_BASELINE_CALL(DISPATCH_CALL_BASELINE_ALL_CB, FN, ARGS)
// The preprocessor callbacks.
// The same suffixes as we define it in the dispatch-able source.
#define DISPATCH_CALL_ALL_CB(CHECK, TARGET_NAME, FN, ARGS) \
    if (CHECK) { NPY_CAT(NPY_CAT(FN, _), TARGET_NAME) ARGS; }
#define DISPATCH_CALL_BASELINE_ALL_CB(FN, ARGS) \
    FN NPY_EXPAND(ARGS);

// An example for setting a macro that calls the exported symbols of highest
// interest optimization, after checking if they're supported by the running
// machine.
#define DISPATCH_CALL_HIGH(FN, ARGS) \
    if (0) {} \
    NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_CALL(NPY_CPU_HAVE, DISPATCH_CALL_HIGH_CB, FN, ARGS) \
    NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_BASELINE_CALL(DISPATCH_CALL_BASELINE_HIGH_CB, FN, ARGS)
// The preprocessor callbacks
// The same suffixes as we define it in the dispatch-able source.
#define DISPATCH_CALL_HIGH_CB(CHECK, TARGET_NAME, FN, ARGS) \
    else if (CHECK) { NPY_CAT(NPY_CAT(FN, _), TARGET_NAME) ARGS; }
#define DISPATCH_CALL_BASELINE_HIGH_CB(FN, ARGS) \
    else { FN NPY_EXPAND(ARGS); }

// NumPy has a macro called 'NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_DECLARE' can be used
// for forward declarations any kind of prototypes based on
// 'NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_CALL' and 'NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_BASELINE_CALL'.
// However in this example, we just handle it manually.
void simd_whoami(const char *extra_info);
void simd_whoami_AVX512F(const char *extra_info);
void simd_whoami_SSE41(const char *extra_info);

void trigger_me(void)
{
    // bring the auto-generated config header
    // which contains config macros 'NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_CALL' and
    // 'NPY_CPU_DISPATCH_BASELINE_CALL'.
    // it is highly recommended to include the config header before executing
    // the dispatching macros in case if there's another header in the scope.
    #include "hello.dispatch.h"
    DISPATCH_CALL_ALL(simd_whoami, ("all"))
    DISPATCH_CALL_HIGH(simd_whoami, ("the highest interest"))
    // An example of including multiple config headers in the same source
    // #include "hello2.dispatch.h"
    // DISPATCH_CALL_HIGH(another_function, ("the highest interest"))
}
```

## NUMPY AND SWIG

### 13.0.1 Introduction

The Simple Wrapper and Interface Generator (or **SWIG**) is a powerful tool for generating wrapper code for interfacing to a wide variety of scripting languages. **SWIG** can parse header files, and using only the code prototypes, create an interface to the target language. But **SWIG** is not omnipotent. For example, it cannot know from the prototype:

```
double rms(double* seq, int n);
```

what exactly `seq` is. Is it a single value to be altered in-place? Is it an array, and if so what is its length? Is it input-only? Output-only? Input-output? **SWIG** cannot determine these details, and does not attempt to do so.

If we designed `rms`, we probably made it a routine that takes an input-only array of length `n` of `double` values called `seq` and returns the root mean square. The default behavior of **SWIG**, however, will be to create a wrapper function that compiles, but is nearly impossible to use from the scripting language in the way the C routine was intended.

For Python, the preferred way of handling contiguous (or technically, *strided*) blocks of homogeneous data is with NumPy, which provides full object-oriented access to multidimensional arrays of data. Therefore, the most logical Python interface for the `rms` function would be (including doc string):

```
def rms(seq):
    """
    rms: return the root mean square of a sequence
    rms(numpy.ndarray) -> double
    rms(list) -> double
    rms(tuple) -> double
    """
```

where `seq` would be a NumPy array of `double` values, and its length `n` would be extracted from `seq` internally before being passed to the C routine. Even better, since NumPy supports construction of arrays from arbitrary Python sequences, `seq` itself could be a nearly arbitrary sequence (so long as each element can be converted to a `double`) and the wrapper code would internally convert it to a NumPy array before extracting its data and length.

**SWIG** allows these types of conversions to be defined via a mechanism called *typemaps*. This document provides information on how to use `numpy.i`, a **SWIG** interface file that defines a series of typemaps intended to make the type of array-related conversions described above relatively simple to implement. For example, suppose that the `rms` function prototype defined above was in a header file named `rms.h`. To obtain the Python interface discussed above, your **SWIG** interface file would need the following:

```
%{
#define SWIG_FILE_WITH_INIT
#include "rms.h"
%}
```

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```
%include "numpy.i"

%init %{
import_array();
%}

%apply (double* IN_ARRAY1, int DIM1) {(double* seq, int n)};
%include "rms.h"
```

Typemaps are keyed off a list of one or more function arguments, either by type or by type and name. We will refer to such lists as *signatures*. One of the many typemaps defined by `numpy.i` is used above and has the signature `(double* IN_ARRAY1, int DIM1)`. The argument names are intended to suggest that the `double*` argument is an input array of one dimension and that the `int` represents the size of that dimension. This is precisely the pattern in the `rms` prototype.

Most likely, no actual prototypes to be wrapped will have the argument names `IN_ARRAY1` and `DIM1`. We use the `SWIG %apply` directive to apply the typemap for one-dimensional input arrays of type `double` to the actual prototype used by `rms`. Using `numpy.i` effectively, therefore, requires knowing what typemaps are available and what they do.

A `SWIG` interface file that includes the `SWIG` directives given above will produce wrapper code that looks something like:

```
1 PyObject *_wrap_rms(PyObject *args) {
2     PyObject *resultobj = 0;
3     double *arg1 = (double *) 0 ;
4     int arg2 ;
5     double result;
6     PyArrayObject *array1 = NULL ;
7     int is_new_object1 = 0 ;
8     PyObject * obj0 = 0 ;
9
10    if (!PyArg_ParseTuple(args,(char *)"O:rms",&obj0)) SWIG_fail;
11    {
12        array1 = obj_to_array_contiguous_allow_conversion(
13                    obj0, NPY_DOUBLE, &is_new_object1);
14        npy_intp size[1] = {
15            -1
16        };
17        if (!array1 || !require_dimensions(array1, 1) ||
18            !require_size(array1, size, 1)) SWIG_fail;
19        arg1 = (double*) array1->data;
20        arg2 = (int) array1->dimensions[0];
21    }
22    result = (double)rms(arg1,arg2);
23    resultobj = SWIG_From_double((double)(result));
24    {
25        if (is_new_object1 && array1) Py_DECREF(array1);
26    }
27    return resultobj;
28 fail:
29    {
30        if (is_new_object1 && array1) Py_DECREF(array1);
31    }
32    return NULL;
33 }
```

The typemaps from `numpy.i` are responsible for the following lines of code: 12–20, 25 and 30. Line 10 parses the

input to the `rms` function. From the format string "`O:rms`", we can see that the argument list is expected to be a single Python object (specified by the `O` before the colon) and whose pointer is stored in `obj0`. A number of functions, supplied by `numpy.i`, are called to make and check the (possible) conversion from a generic Python object to a NumPy array. These functions are explained in the section [Helper Functions](#), but hopefully their names are self-explanatory. At line 12 we use `obj0` to construct a NumPy array. At line 17, we check the validity of the result: that it is non-null and that it has a single dimension of arbitrary length. Once these states are verified, we extract the data buffer and length in lines 19 and 20 so that we can call the underlying C function at line 22. Line 25 performs memory management for the case where we have created a new array that is no longer needed.

This code has a significant amount of error handling. Note the `SWIG_fail` is a macro for `goto fail`, referring to the label at line 28. If the user provides the wrong number of arguments, this will be caught at line 10. If construction of the NumPy array fails or produces an array with the wrong number of dimensions, these errors are caught at line 17. And finally, if an error is detected, memory is still managed correctly at line 30.

Note that if the C function signature was in a different order:

```
double rms(int n, double* seq);
```

that `SWIG` would not match the typemap signature given above with the argument list for `rms`. Fortunately, `numpy.i` has a set of typemaps with the data pointer given last:

```
%apply (int DIM1, double* IN_ARRAY1) { (int n, double* seq) };
```

This simply has the effect of switching the definitions of `arg1` and `arg2` in lines 3 and 4 of the generated code above, and their assignments in lines 19 and 20.

## 13.0.2 Using `numpy.i`

The `numpy.i` file is currently located in the `tools/swig` sub-directory under the `numpy` installation directory. Typically, you will want to copy it to the directory where you are developing your wrappers.

A simple module that only uses a single `SWIG` interface file should include the following:

```
%{
#define SWIG_FILE_WITH_INIT
%
#include "numpy.i"
%init %{
import_array();
%}
```

Within a compiled Python module, `import_array()` should only get called once. This could be in a C/C++ file that you have written and is linked to the module. If this is the case, then none of your interface files should `#define SWIG_FILE_WITH_INIT` or call `import_array()`. Or, this initialization call could be in a wrapper file generated by `SWIG` from an interface file that has the `%init` block as above. If this is the case, and you have more than one `SWIG` interface file, then only one interface file should `#define SWIG_FILE_WITH_INIT` and call `import_array()`.

### 13.0.3 Available Typemaps

The typemap directives provided by `numpy.i` for arrays of different data types, say `double` and `int`, and dimensions of different types, say `int` or `long`, are identical to one another except for the C and NumPy type specifications. The typemaps are therefore implemented (typically behind the scenes) via a macro:

```
%numpy_tymepmaps (DATA_TYPE, DATA_TYPECODE, DIM_TYPE)
```

that can be invoked for appropriate `(DATA_TYPE, DATA_TYPECODE, DIM_TYPE)` triplets. For example:

```
%numpy_tymepmaps (double, NPY_DOUBLE, int)
%numpy_tymepmaps (int, NPY_INT, int)
```

The `numpy.i` interface file uses the `%numpy_tymepmaps` macro to implement typemaps for the following C data types and `int` dimension types:

- `signed char`
- `unsigned char`
- `short`
- `unsigned short`
- `int`
- `unsigned int`
- `long`
- `unsigned long`
- `long long`
- `unsigned long long`
- `float`
- `double`

In the following descriptions, we reference a generic `DATA_TYPE`, which could be any of the C data types listed above, and `DIM_TYPE` which should be one of the many types of integers.

The typemap signatures are largely differentiated on the name given to the buffer pointer. Names with `FARRAY` are for Fortran-ordered arrays, and names with `ARRAY` are for C-ordered (or 1D arrays).

## Input Arrays

Input arrays are defined as arrays of data that are passed into a routine but are not altered in-place or returned to the user. The Python input array is therefore allowed to be almost any Python sequence (such as a list) that can be converted to the requested type of array. The input array signatures are

1D:

- `( DATA_TYPE IN_ARRAY1 [ANY] )`
- `( DATA_TYPE* IN_ARRAY1, int DIM1 )`
- `( int DIM1, DATA_TYPE* IN_ARRAY1 )`

2D:

- `( DATA_TYPE IN_ARRAY2 [ANY] [ANY] )`

- ( DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_ARRAY2, int DIM1, int DIM2 )
- ( int DIM1, int DIM2, DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_ARRAY2 )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_FARRAY2, int DIM1, int DIM2 )
- ( int DIM1, int DIM2, DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_FARRAY2 )

3D:

- ( DATA\_TYPE IN\_ARRAY3 [ANY] [ANY] [ANY] )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_ARRAY3, int DIM1, int DIM2, int DIM3 )
- ( int DIM1, int DIM2, int DIM3, DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_ARRAY3 )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_FARRAY3, int DIM1, int DIM2, int DIM3 )
- ( int DIM1, int DIM2, int DIM3, DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_FARRAY3 )

4D:

- (DATA\_TYPE IN\_ARRAY4 [ANY] [ANY] [ANY] [ANY])
- (DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_ARRAY4, DIM\_TYPE DIM1, DIM\_TYPE DIM2, DIM\_TYPE DIM3, DIM\_TYPE DIM4)
- (DIM\_TYPE DIM1, DIM\_TYPE DIM2, DIM\_TYPE DIM3, , DIM\_TYPE DIM4, DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_ARRAY4)
- (DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_FARRAY4, DIM\_TYPE DIM1, DIM\_TYPE DIM2, DIM\_TYPE DIM3, DIM\_TYPE DIM4)
- (DIM\_TYPE DIM1, DIM\_TYPE DIM2, DIM\_TYPE DIM3, DIM\_TYPE DIM4, DATA\_TYPE\* IN\_FARRAY4)

The first signature listed, ( DATA\_TYPE IN\_ARRAY[ANY] ) is for one-dimensional arrays with hard-coded dimensions. Likewise, ( DATA\_TYPE IN\_ARRAY2[ANY] [ANY] ) is for two-dimensional arrays with hard-coded dimensions, and similarly for three-dimensional.

## In-Place Arrays

In-place arrays are defined as arrays that are modified in-place. The input values may or may not be used, but the values at the time the function returns are significant. The provided Python argument must therefore be a NumPy array of the required type. The in-place signatures are

1D:

- ( DATA\_TYPE INPLACE\_ARRAY1 [ANY] )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY1, int DIM1 )
- ( int DIM1, DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY1 )

2D:

- ( DATA\_TYPE INPLACE\_ARRAY2 [ANY] [ANY] )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY2, int DIM1, int DIM2 )
- ( int DIM1, int DIM2, DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY2 )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_FARRAY2, int DIM1, int DIM2 )
- ( int DIM1, int DIM2, DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_FARRAY2 )

3D:

- ( DATA\_TYPE INPLACE\_ARRAY3 [ANY] [ANY] [ANY] )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY3, int DIM1, int DIM2, int DIM3 )
- ( int DIM1, int DIM2, int DIM3, DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY3 )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_FARRAY3, int DIM1, int DIM2, int DIM3 )
- ( int DIM1, int DIM2, int DIM3, DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_FARRAY3 )

4D:

- (DATA\_TYPE INPLACE\_ARRAY4 [ANY] [ANY] [ANY] [ANY])
- (DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY4, DIM\_TYPE DIM1, DIM\_TYPE DIM2, DIM\_TYPE DIM3, DIM\_TYPE DIM4)
- (DIM\_TYPE DIM1, DIM\_TYPE DIM2, DIM\_TYPE DIM3, , DIM\_TYPE DIM4, DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY4)
- (DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_FARRAY4, DIM\_TYPE DIM1, DIM\_TYPE DIM2, DIM\_TYPE DIM3, DIM\_TYPE DIM4)
- (DIM\_TYPE DIM1, DIM\_TYPE DIM2, DIM\_TYPE DIM3, DIM\_TYPE DIM4, DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_FARRAY4)

These typemaps now check to make sure that the INPLACE\_ARRAY arguments use native byte ordering. If not, an exception is raised.

There is also a “flat” in-place array for situations in which you would like to modify or process each element, regardless of the number of dimensions. One example is a “quantization” function that quantizes each element of an array in-place, be it 1D, 2D or whatever. This form checks for continuity but allows either C or Fortran ordering.

ND:

- (DATA\_TYPE\* INPLACE\_ARRAY\_FLAT, DIM\_TYPE DIM\_FLAT)

## Argout Arrays

Argout arrays are arrays that appear in the input arguments in C, but are in fact output arrays. This pattern occurs often when there is more than one output variable and the single return argument is therefore not sufficient. In Python, the conventional way to return multiple arguments is to pack them into a sequence (tuple, list, etc.) and return the sequence. This is what the argout typemaps do. If a wrapped function that uses these argout typemaps has more than one return argument, they are packed into a tuple or list, depending on the version of Python. The Python user does not pass these arrays in, they simply get returned. For the case where a dimension is specified, the python user must provide that dimension as an argument. The argout signatures are

1D:

- ( DATA\_TYPE ARGOUT\_ARRAY1 [ANY] )
- ( DATA\_TYPE\* ARGOUT\_ARRAY1, int DIM1 )
- ( int DIM1, DATA\_TYPE\* ARGOUT\_ARRAY1 )

2D:

- ( DATA\_TYPE ARGOUT\_ARRAY2 [ANY] [ANY] )

3D:

- ( DATA\_TYPE ARGOUT\_ARRAY3 [ANY] [ANY] [ANY] )

4D:

- ( DATA\_TYPE ARGOUT\_ARRAY4 [ANY] [ANY] [ANY] [ANY] )

These are typically used in situations where in C/C++, you would allocate a(n) array(s) on the heap, and call the function to fill the array(s) values. In Python, the arrays are allocated for you and returned as new array objects.

Note that we support `DATA_TYPE*` argout typemaps in 1D, but not 2D or 3D. This is because of a quirk with the [SWIG](#) typemap syntax and cannot be avoided. Note that for these types of 1D typemaps, the Python function will take a single argument representing `DIM1`.

## Argout View Arrays

Argoutview arrays are for when your C code provides you with a view of its internal data and does not require any memory to be allocated by the user. This can be dangerous. There is almost no way to guarantee that the internal data from the C code will remain in existence for the entire lifetime of the NumPy array that encapsulates it. If the user destroys the object that provides the view of the data before destroying the NumPy array, then using that array may result in bad memory references or segmentation faults. Nevertheless, there are situations, working with large data sets, where you simply have no other choice.

The C code to be wrapped for argoutview arrays are characterized by pointers: pointers to the dimensions and double pointers to the data, so that these values can be passed back to the user. The argoutview typemap signatures are therefore

1D:

- ( `DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_ARRAY1, DIM_TYPE* DIM1` )
- ( `DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_ARRAY1` )

2D:

- ( `DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_ARRAY2, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2` )
- ( `DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_ARRAY2` )
- ( `DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_FARRAY2, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2` )
- ( `DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_FARRAY2` )

3D:

- ( `DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_ARRAY3, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3` )
- ( `DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_ARRAY3` )
- ( `DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_FARRAY3, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3` )
- ( `DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_FARRAY3` )

4D:

- ( `DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_ARRAY4, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DIM_TYPE* DIM4` )
- ( `DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DIM_TYPE* DIM4, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_ARRAY4` )
- ( `DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_FARRAY4, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DIM_TYPE* DIM4` )
- ( `DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DIM_TYPE* DIM4, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEW_FARRAY4` )

Note that arrays with hard-coded dimensions are not supported. These cannot follow the double pointer signatures of these typemaps.

## Memory Managed Argout View Arrays

A recent addition to `numpy.i` are typemaps that permit argout arrays with views into memory that is managed. See the discussion [here](#).

1D:

- `(DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_ARRAY1, DIM_TYPE* DIM1)`
- `(DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_ARRAY1)`

2D:

- `(DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_ARRAY2, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2)`
- `(DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_ARRAY2)`
- `(DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_FARRAY2, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2)`
- `(DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_FARRAY2)`

3D:

- `(DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_ARRAY3, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3)`
- `(DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_ARRAY3)`
- `(DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_FARRAY3, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3)`
- `(DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_FARRAY3)`

4D:

- `(DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_ARRAY4, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DIM_TYPE* DIM4)`
- `(DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DIM_TYPE* DIM4, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_ARRAY4)`
- `(DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_FARRAY4, DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DIM_TYPE* DIM4)`
- `(DIM_TYPE* DIM1, DIM_TYPE* DIM2, DIM_TYPE* DIM3, DIM_TYPE* DIM4, DATA_TYPE** ARGOUTVIEWM_FARRAY4)`

## Output Arrays

The `numpy.i` interface file does not support typemaps for output arrays, for several reasons. First, C/C++ return arguments are limited to a single value. This prevents obtaining dimension information in a general way. Second, arrays with hard-coded lengths are not permitted as return arguments. In other words:

```
double[3] newVector(double x, double y, double z);
```

is not legal C/C++ syntax. Therefore, we cannot provide typemaps of the form:

```
%typemap(out) (TYPE[ANY]);
```

If you run into a situation where a function or method is returning a pointer to an array, your best bet is to write your own version of the function to be wrapped, either with `%extend` for the case of class methods or `%ignore` and `%rename` for the case of functions.

## Other Common Types: `bool`

Note that C++ type `bool` is not supported in the list in the *Available Typemaps* section. NumPy bools are a single byte, while the C++ `bool` is four bytes (at least on my system). Therefore:

```
%numpy_tymepmaps(bool, NPY_BOOL, int)
```

will result in typemaps that will produce code that reference improper data lengths. You can implement the following macro expansion:

```
%numpy_tymepmaps(bool, NPY_UINT, int)
```

to fix the data length problem, and *Input Arrays* will work fine, but *In-Place Arrays* might fail type-checking.

## Other Common Types: `complex`

Typemap conversions for complex floating-point types is also not supported automatically. This is because Python and NumPy are written in C, which does not have native complex types. Both Python and NumPy implement their own (essentially equivalent) `struct` definitions for complex variables:

```
/* Python */
typedef struct {double real; double imag;} Py_complex;

/* NumPy */
typedef struct {float real, imag;} npy_cfloat;
typedef struct {double real, imag;} npy_cdouble;
```

We could have implemented:

```
%numpy_tymepmaps(Py_complex, NPY_CDOUBLE, int)
%numpy_tymepmaps(npy_cfloat, NPY_CFLOAT, int)
%numpy_tymepmaps(npy_cdouble, NPY_CDOUBLE, int)
```

which would have provided automatic type conversions for arrays of type `Py_complex`, `npy_cfloat` and `npy_cdouble`. However, it seemed unlikely that there would be any independent (non-Python, non-NumPy) application code that people would be using `SWIG` to generate a Python interface to, that also used these definitions for complex types. More likely, these application codes will define their own complex types, or in the case of C++, use `std::complex`. Assuming these data structures are compatible with Python and NumPy complex types, `%numpy_tymepmap` expansions as above (with the user's complex type substituted for the first argument) should work.

### 13.0.4 NumPy Array Scalars and SWIG

[SWIG](#) has sophisticated type checking for numerical types. For example, if your C/C++ routine expects an integer as input, the code generated by [SWIG](#) will check for both Python integers and Python long integers, and raise an overflow error if the provided Python integer is too big to cast down to a C integer. With the introduction of NumPy scalar arrays into your Python code, you might conceivably extract an integer from a NumPy array and attempt to pass this to a [SWIG](#)-wrapped C/C++ function that expects an `int`, but the [SWIG](#) type checking will not recognize the NumPy array scalar as an integer. (Often, this does in fact work – it depends on whether NumPy recognizes the integer type you are using as inheriting from the Python integer type on the platform you are using. Sometimes, this means that code that works on a 32-bit machine will fail on a 64-bit machine.)

If you get a Python error that looks like the following:

```
TypeError: int method 'MyClass_MyMethod', argument 2 of type 'int'
```

and the argument you are passing is an integer extracted from a NumPy array, then you have stumbled upon this problem. The solution is to modify the [SWIG](#) type conversion system to accept NumPy array scalars in addition to the standard integer types. Fortunately, this capability has been provided for you. Simply copy the file:

```
pyfragments.swg
```

to the working build directory for your project, and this problem will be fixed. It is suggested that you do this anyway, as it only increases the capabilities of your Python interface.

#### Why is There a Second File?

The [SWIG](#) type checking and conversion system is a complicated combination of C macros, [SWIG](#) macros, [SWIG](#) typemaps and [SWIG](#) fragments. Fragments are a way to conditionally insert code into your wrapper file if it is needed, and not insert it if not needed. If multiple typemaps require the same fragment, the fragment only gets inserted into your wrapper code once.

There is a fragment for converting a Python integer to a C `long`. There is a different fragment that converts a Python integer to a C `int`, that calls the routine defined in the `long` fragment. We can make the changes we want here by changing the definition for the `long` fragment. [SWIG](#) determines the active definition for a fragment using a “first come, first served” system. That is, we need to define the fragment for `long` conversions prior to [SWIG](#) doing it internally. [SWIG](#) allows us to do this by putting our fragment definitions in the file `pyfragments.swg`. If we were to put the new fragment definitions in `numpy.i`, they would be ignored.

### 13.0.5 Helper Functions

The `numpy.i` file contains several macros and routines that it uses internally to build its typemaps. However, these functions may be useful elsewhere in your interface file. These macros and routines are implemented as fragments, which are described briefly in the previous section. If you try to use one or more of the following macros or functions, but your compiler complains that it does not recognize the symbol, then you need to force these fragments to appear in your code using:

```
%fragment ("NumPy_Fragments");
```

in your [SWIG](#) interface file.

## Macros

### **is\_array(a)**

Evaluates as true if `a` is non-NULL and can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_type(a)**

Evaluates to the integer data type code of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_numdims(a)**

Evaluates to the integer number of dimensions of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_dimensions(a)**

Evaluates to an array of type `npy_intp` and length `array_numdims(a)`, giving the lengths of all of the dimensions of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_size(a,i)**

Evaluates to the `i`-th dimension size of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_strides(a)**

Evaluates to an array of type `npy_intp` and length `array_numdims(a)`, giving the strides of all of the dimensions of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`. A stride is the distance in bytes between an element and its immediate neighbor along the same axis.

### **array\_stride(a,i)**

Evaluates to the `i`-th stride of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_data(a)**

Evaluates to a pointer of type `void*` that points to the data buffer of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_descr(a)**

Returns a borrowed reference to the `dtype` property (`PyArray_Descr*`) of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_flags(a)**

Returns an integer representing the flags of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_enableflags(a,f)**

Sets the flag represented by `f` of `a`, assuming `a` can be cast to a `PyArrayObject*`.

### **array\_is\_contiguous(a)**

Evaluates as true if `a` is a contiguous array. Equivalent to (`PyArray_ISCONTIGUOUS(a)`).

### **array\_is\_native(a)**

Evaluates as true if the data buffer of `a` uses native byte order. Equivalent to (`PyArray_ISNOTSWAPPED(a)`).

### **array\_is\_fortran(a)**

Evaluates as true if `a` is FORTRAN ordered.

## Routines

### `pytype_string()`

Return type: `const char*`

Arguments:

- `PyObject* py_obj`, a general Python object.

Return a string describing the type of `py_obj`.

### `typecode_string()`

Return type: `const char*`

Arguments:

- `int typecode`, a NumPy integer typecode.

Return a string describing the type corresponding to the NumPy `typecode`.

### `type_match()`

Return type: `int`

Arguments:

- `int actual_type`, the NumPy typecode of a NumPy array.
- `int desired_type`, the desired NumPy typecode.

Make sure that `actual_type` is compatible with `desired_type`. For example, this allows character and byte types, or int and long types, to match. This is now equivalent to `PyArray_EquivTypenums()`.

### `obj_to_array_no_conversion()`

Return type: `PyArrayObject*`

Arguments:

- `PyObject* input`, a general Python object.
- `int typecode`, the desired NumPy typecode.

Cast `input` to a `PyArrayObject*` if legal, and ensure that it is of type `typecode`. If `input` cannot be cast, or the `typecode` is wrong, set a Python error and return `NULL`.

### `obj_to_array_allow_conversion()`

Return type: `PyArrayObject*`

Arguments:

- `PyObject* input`, a general Python object.
- `int typecode`, the desired NumPy typecode of the resulting array.
- `int* is_new_object`, returns a value of 0 if no conversion performed, else 1.

Convert `input` to a NumPy array with the given `typecode`. On success, return a valid `PyArrayObject*` with the correct type. On failure, the Python error string will be set and the routine returns `NULL`.

### `make_contiguous()`

Return type: PyArrayObject\*

Arguments:

- PyArrayObject\* ary, a NumPy array.
- int\* is\_new\_object, returns a value of 0 if no conversion performed, else 1.
- int min\_dims, minimum allowable dimensions.
- int max\_dims, maximum allowable dimensions.

Check to see if ary is contiguous. If so, return the input pointer and flag it as not a new object. If it is not contiguous, create a new PyArrayObject\* using the original data, flag it as a new object and return the pointer.

### **make\_fortran()**

Return type: PyArrayObject\*

Arguments

- PyArrayObject\* ary, a NumPy array.
- int\* is\_new\_object, returns a value of 0 if no conversion performed, else 1.

Check to see if ary is Fortran contiguous. If so, return the input pointer and flag it as not a new object. If it is not Fortran contiguous, create a new PyArrayObject\* using the original data, flag it as a new object and return the pointer.

### **obj\_to\_array\_contiguous\_allow\_conversion()**

Return type: PyArrayObject\*

Arguments:

- PyObject\* input, a general Python object.
- int typecode, the desired NumPy typecode of the resulting array.
- int\* is\_new\_object, returns a value of 0 if no conversion performed, else 1.

Convert input to a contiguous PyArrayObject\* of the specified type. If the input object is not a contiguous PyArrayObject\*, a new one will be created and the new object flag will be set.

### **obj\_to\_array\_fortran\_allow\_conversion()**

Return type: PyArrayObject\*

Arguments:

- PyObject\* input, a general Python object.
- int typecode, the desired NumPy typecode of the resulting array.
- int\* is\_new\_object, returns a value of 0 if no conversion performed, else 1.

Convert input to a Fortran contiguous PyArrayObject\* of the specified type. If the input object is not a Fortran contiguous PyArrayObject\*, a new one will be created and the new object flag will be set.

### **require\_contiguous()**

Return type: int

Arguments:

- PyArrayObject\* ary, a NumPy array.

Test whether `ary` is contiguous. If so, return 1. Otherwise, set a Python error and return 0.

**require\_native()**

Return type: int

Arguments:

- `PyArrayObject*` `ary`, a NumPy array.

Require that `ary` is not byte-swapped. If the array is not byte-swapped, return 1. Otherwise, set a Python error and return 0.

**require\_dimensions()**

Return type: int

Arguments:

- `PyArrayObject*` `ary`, a NumPy array.
- `int exact_dimensions`, the desired number of dimensions.

Require `ary` to have a specified number of dimensions. If the array has the specified number of dimensions, return 1. Otherwise, set a Python error and return 0.

**require\_dimensions\_n()**

Return type: int

Arguments:

- `PyArrayObject*` `ary`, a NumPy array.
- `int* exact_dimensions`, an array of integers representing acceptable numbers of dimensions.
- `int n`, the length of `exact_dimensions`.

Require `ary` to have one of a list of specified number of dimensions. If the array has one of the specified number of dimensions, return 1. Otherwise, set the Python error string and return 0.

**require\_size()**

Return type: int

Arguments:

- `PyArrayObject*` `ary`, a NumPy array.
- `npy_int* size`, an array representing the desired lengths of each dimension.
- `int n`, the length of `size`.

Require `ary` to have a specified shape. If the array has the specified shape, return 1. Otherwise, set the Python error string and return 0.

**require\_fortran()**

Return type: int

Arguments:

- `PyArrayObject*` `ary`, a NumPy array.

Require the given `PyArrayObject` to be Fortran ordered. If the `PyArrayObject` is already Fortran ordered, do nothing. Else, set the Fortran ordering flag and recompute the strides.

## 13.0.6 Beyond the Provided Typemaps

There are many C or C++ array/NumPy array situations not covered by a simple `%include "numpy.i"` and subsequent `%apply` directives.

### A Common Example

Consider a reasonable prototype for a dot product function:

```
double dot(int len, double* vec1, double* vec2);
```

The Python interface that we want is:

```
def dot(vec1, vec2):
    """
    dot(PyObject, PyObject) -> double
    """
```

The problem here is that there is one dimension argument and two array arguments, and our typemaps are set up for dimensions that apply to a single array (in fact, `SWIG` does not provide a mechanism for associating `len` with `vec2` that takes two Python input arguments). The recommended solution is the following:

```
%apply (int DIM1, double* IN_ARRAY1) {(int len1, double* vec1),
                                      (int len2, double* vec2)}
%rename (dot) my_dot;
%exception my_dot {
    $action
    if (PyErr_Occurred()) SWIG_fail;
}
%inline @{
double my_dot(int len1, double* vec1, int len2, double* vec2) {
    if (len1 != len2) {
        PyErr_Format(PyExc_ValueError,
                    "Arrays of lengths (%d,%d) given",
                    len1, len2);
        return 0.0;
    }
    return dot(len1, vec1, vec2);
}
%}
```

If the header file that contains the prototype for `double dot()` also contains other prototypes that you want to wrap, so that you need to `%include` this header file, then you will also need a `%ignore dot;` directive, placed after the `%rename` and before the `%include` directives. Or, if the function in question is a class method, you will want to use `%extend` rather than `%inline` in addition to `%ignore`.

**A note on error handling:** Note that `my_dot` returns a `double` but that it can also raise a Python error. The resulting wrapper function will return a Python float representation of 0.0 when the vector lengths do not match. Since this is not `NULL`, the Python interpreter will not know to check for an error. For this reason, we add the `%exception` directive above for `my_dot` to get the behavior we want (note that `$action` is a macro that gets expanded to a valid call to `my_dot`). In general, you will probably want to write a `SWIG` macro to perform this task.

## Other Situations

There are other wrapping situations in which `numpy.i` may be helpful when you encounter them.

- In some situations, it is possible that you could use the `%numpy_typemaps` macro to implement typemaps for your own types. See the [Other Common Types: `bool`](#) or [Other Common Types: `complex`](#) sections for examples. Another situation is if your dimensions are of a type other than `int` (say `long` for example):

```
%numpy_typemaps(double, NPY_DOUBLE, long)
```

- You can use the code in `numpy.i` to write your own typemaps. For example, if you had a five-dimensional array as a function argument, you could cut-and-paste the appropriate four-dimensional typemaps into your interface file. The modifications for the fourth dimension would be trivial.
- Sometimes, the best approach is to use the `%extend` directive to define new methods for your classes (or overload existing ones) that take a `PyObject*` (that either is or can be converted to a `PyArrayObject*`) instead of a pointer to a buffer. In this case, the helper routines in `numpy.i` can be very useful.
- Writing typemaps can be a bit nonintuitive. If you have specific questions about writing [SWIG](#) typemaps for NumPy, the developers of `numpy.i` do monitor the [Numpy-discussion](#) and [Swig-user](#) mail lists.

## A Final Note

When you use the `%apply` directive, as is usually necessary to use `numpy.i`, it will remain in effect until you tell [SWIG](#) that it shouldn't be. If the arguments to the functions or methods that you are wrapping have common names, such as `length` or `vector`, these typemaps may get applied in situations you do not expect or want. Therefore, it is always a good idea to add a `%clear` directive after you are done with a specific typemap:

```
%apply (double* IN_ARRAY1, int DIM1) { (double* vector, int length) }
%include "my_header.h"
%clear (double* vector, int length);
```

In general, you should target these typemap signatures specifically where you want them, and then clear them after you are done.

### 13.0.7 Summary

Out of the box, `numpy.i` provides typemaps that support conversion between NumPy arrays and C arrays:

- That can be one of 12 different scalar types: `signed char`, `unsigned char`, `short`, `unsigned short`, `int`, `unsigned int`, `long`, `unsigned long`, `long long`, `unsigned long long`, `float` and `double`.
- That support 74 different argument signatures for each data type, including:
  - One-dimensional, two-dimensional, three-dimensional and four-dimensional arrays.
  - Input-only, in-place, `argout`, `argoutview`, and memory managed `argoutview` behavior.
  - Hard-coded dimensions, data-buffer-then-dimensions specification, and dimensions-then-data-buffer specification.
  - Both C-ordering (“last dimension fastest”) or Fortran-ordering (“first dimension fastest”) support for 2D, 3D and 4D arrays.

The `numpy.i` interface file also provides additional tools for wrapper developers, including:

- A [SWIG](#) macro (`%numpy_t typemaps`) with three arguments for implementing the 74 argument signatures for the user’s choice of (1) C data type, (2) NumPy data type (assuming they match), and (3) dimension type.
- Fourteen C macros and fifteen C functions that can be used to write specialized typemaps, extensions, or inlined functions that handle cases not covered by the provided typemaps. Note that the macros and functions are coded specifically to work with the NumPy C/API regardless of NumPy version number, both before and after the deprecation of some aspects of the API after version 1.6.

## 13.1 Testing the numpy.i Typemaps

### 13.1.1 Introduction

Writing tests for the `numpy.i` [SWIG](#) interface file is a combinatorial headache. At present, 12 different data types are supported, each with 74 different argument signatures, for a total of 888 typemaps supported “out of the box”. Each of these typemaps, in turn, might require several unit tests in order to verify expected behavior for both proper and improper inputs. Currently, this results in more than 1,000 individual unit tests executed when `make test` is run in the `numpy/tools/swig` subdirectory.

To facilitate this many similar unit tests, some high-level programming techniques are employed, including C and [SWIG](#) macros, as well as Python inheritance. The purpose of this document is to describe the testing infrastructure employed to verify that the `numpy.i` typemaps are working as expected.

### 13.1.2 Testing Organization

There are three independent testing frameworks supported, for one-, two-, and three-dimensional arrays respectively. For one-dimensional arrays, there are two C++ files, a header and a source, named:

```
Vector.h
Vector.cxx
```

that contain prototypes and code for a variety of functions that have one-dimensional arrays as function arguments. The file:

```
Vector.i
```

is a [SWIG](#) interface file that defines a python module `Vector` that wraps the functions in `Vector.h` while utilizing the typemaps in `numpy.i` to correctly handle the C arrays.

The Makefile calls `swig` to generate `Vector.py` and `Vector_wrap.cxx`, and also executes the `setup.py` script that compiles `Vector_wrap.cxx` and links together the extension module `_Vector.so` or `_Vector.dylib`, depending on the platform. This extension module and the proxy file `Vector.py` are both placed in a subdirectory under the `build` directory.

The actual testing takes place with a Python script named:

```
testVector.py
```

that uses the standard Python library module `unittest`, which performs several tests of each function defined in `Vector.h` for each data type supported.

Two-dimensional arrays are tested in exactly the same manner. The above description applies, but with `Matrix` substituted for `Vector`. For three-dimensional tests, substitute `Tensor` for `Vector`. For four-dimensional tests, substitute `SuperTensor` for `Vector`. For flat in-place array tests, substitute `Flat` for `Vector`. For the descriptions that follow, we will reference the `Vector` tests, but the same information applies to `Matrix`, `Tensor` and `SuperTensor` tests.

The command `make test` will ensure that all of the test software is built and then run all three test scripts.

### 13.1.3 Testing Header Files

`Vector.h` is a C++ header file that defines a C macro called `TEST_FUNC_PROTOS` that takes two arguments: `TYPE`, which is a data type name such as `unsigned int`; and `SNAME`, which is a short name for the same data type with no spaces, e.g. `uint`. This macro defines several function prototypes that have the prefix `SNAME` and have at least one argument that is an array of type `TYPE`. Those functions that have return arguments return a `TYPE` value.

`TEST_FUNC_PROTOS` is then implemented for all of the data types supported by `numpy.i`:

- `signed char`
- `unsigned char`
- `short`
- `unsigned short`
- `int`
- `unsigned int`
- `long`
- `unsigned long`
- `long long`
- `unsigned long long`
- `float`
- `double`

### 13.1.4 Testing Source Files

`Vector.cxx` is a C++ source file that implements compilable code for each of the function prototypes specified in `Vector.h`. It defines a C macro `TEST_FUNCS` that has the same arguments and works in the same way as `TEST_FUNC_PROTOS` does in `Vector.h`. `TEST_FUNCS` is implemented for each of the 12 data types as above.

### 13.1.5 Testing SWIG Interface Files

`Vector.i` is a [SWIG](#) interface file that defines python module `Vector`. It follows the conventions for using `numpy.i` as described in this chapter. It defines a [SWIG](#) macro `%apply_numpy_typemaps` that has a single argument `TYPE`. It uses the [SWIG](#) directive `%apply` to apply the provided typemaps to the argument signatures found in `Vector.h`. This macro is then implemented for all of the data types supported by `numpy.i`. It then does a `%include "Vector.h"` to wrap all of the function prototypes in `Vector.h` using the typemaps in `numpy.i`.

### 13.1.6 Testing Python Scripts

After make is used to build the testing extension modules, `testVector.py` can be run to execute the tests. As with other scripts that use `unittest` to facilitate unit testing, `testVector.py` defines a class that inherits from `unittest.TestCase`:

```
class VectorTestCase(unittest.TestCase):
```

However, this class is not run directly. Rather, it serves as a base class to several other python classes, each one specific to a particular data type. The `VectorTestCase` class stores two strings for typing information:

#### `self.typeStr`

A string that matches one of the SNAME prefixes used in `Vector.h` and `Vector.cxx`. For example, "double".

#### `self.typeCode`

A short (typically single-character) string that represents a data type in numpy and corresponds to `self.typeStr`. For example, if `self.typeStr` is "double", then `self.typeCode` should be "d".

Each test defined by the `VectorTestCase` class extracts the python function it is trying to test by accessing the `Vector` module's dictionary:

```
length = Vector.__dict__[self.typeStr + "Length"]
```

In the case of double precision tests, this will return the python function `Vector.doubleLength`.

We then define a new test case class for each supported data type with a short definition such as:

```
class doubleTestCase(VectorTestCase):
    def __init__(self, methodName="runTest"):
        VectorTestCase.__init__(self, methodName)
        self.typeStr = "double"
        self.typeCode = "d"
```

Each of these 12 classes is collected into a `unittest.TestSuite`, which is then executed. Errors and failures are summed together and returned as the exit argument. Any non-zero result indicates that at least one test did not pass.



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