



PYTHON FOR MATLAB USERS

Welcome to Python!

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Prerequisite: Manipulating matrices in MATLAB

```
% Example of manipulating matrices in MATLAB

v = [16 5 9 4 2 11 7 14];
disp(v(5:end))

A = magic(4);
disp(A(2:4,1:2))

A(A>12) = 10;

disp(A(:,1))
```



Prerequisite: Plotting data in MATLAB

```
% Example of plotting data in MATLAB
```

```
figure  
plot(t,y,'b-')  
xlabel('Time (s)')  
ylabel('Sensor A')
```

```
figure  
scatter(y1,y2,'go')  
xlabel('Sensor A')  
ylabel('Sensor B')
```

```
figure  
histogram(y1,[0:0.01:1])
```

Prerequisite: Control flow of MATLAB scripts

```
% Example of control flow in MATLAB

fid = fopen('magic.m','r');
count = 0;
while ~feof(fid)
    line = fgetl(fid);
    if isempty(line) || strncmp(line,'% ',1) || ~ischar(line)
        continue
    end
    count = count + 1;
end
count
```



If you don't know MATLAB...





Python does more than Data Science

- General purpose programming language
 - Integrate machine learning models into large-scale applications
 - Query data from public APIs
 - Build websites that can handle large traffic volumes



Getting started with data types

- Integer
- Float
- Boolean
- String

```
# Integer  
x = 1  
  
print(x)  
  
1
```

```
type(x)  
  
<class 'int'>
```

```
# Float  
x = 1.0  
print(x)  
  
1.0
```

```
type(x)  
  
<class 'float'>
```



Mathematical operators

Operation	Python Operator
Addition	+
Subtraction	-
Multiplication	*
Division	/
Exponentiation	**

```
a = 3 + 12
print(a)

15

b = 4 * 5.0
print(b)

20.0
```




Exponentiation in Python

$$area = \pi r^2$$

```
radius = 5
pi = 3.14

area = pi * (radius ** 2)
print(area)

78.5
```

Warning: Do NOT use the caret operator, ^

```
# This won't take 4 to the second power
print(4 ^ 2)

# This is the bitwise XOR
6
```



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Let's get started!



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Methods and Packages

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Methods are functions attached to variables

- Specific to the variable type
- Accessed with a period

```
yelling = "WHY ARE YOU YELLING?"  
whispering = yelling.lower()  
print(whispering)  
  
why are you yelling?
```



The .format() method

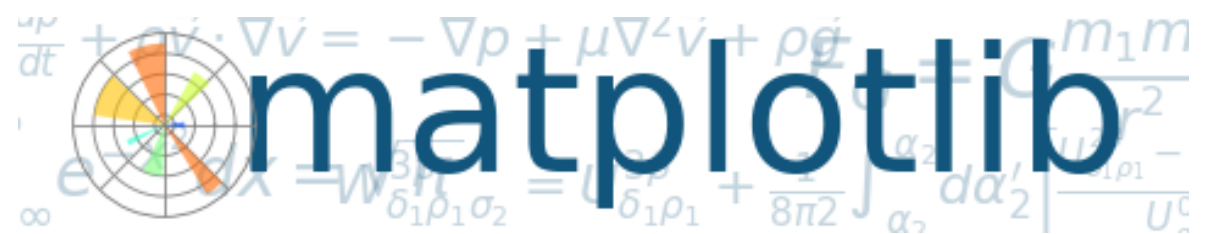
```
n_avocados = 1765
message = "I have {} avocados!".format(n_avocados)

print(message)

I have 1765 avocados!
```

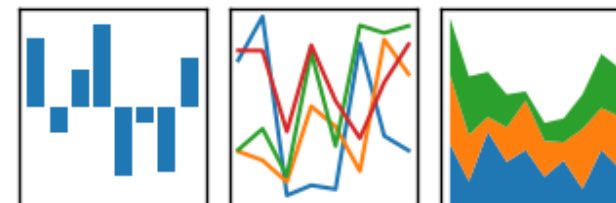


Python packages



pandas

$$y_{it} = \beta' x_{it} + \mu_i + \epsilon_{it}$$





Packages have to be imported

```
import math  
  
math.pi  
  
3.141592653589793  
  
math.log(0.9)  
  
-0.10536051565782628
```

Importing part of a package:

```
from math import log  
  
log(0.9)  
  
-0.10536051565782628
```

Package aliasing

```
import datetime as dt
```

```
birth_date = dt.datetime(1961,8,4)
```

```
# Import NumPy package with common alias
```

```
import numpy as np
```

```
x = np.ndarray([1, 2, 3])
```

```
# Import pandas package with common alias
```

```
import pandas as pd
```

```
df = pd.DataFrame()
```

```
# Import Matplotlib pyplot module with common alias
```

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
plt.show()
```

```
# Import Seaborn package with common alias
```

```
import seaborn as sns
```

```
sns.set()
```




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**Let's explore some useful
methods and packages**



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Arrays & plotting

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NumPy arrays

- Arrays = matrices
- Arrays can be multidimensional
- Every element is the same type



Indexing into NumPy arrays

```
print(arr)

[[2, 4, 8, 16, 32]]
```

- Zero-based indexing

```
print(arr[2])

8
```

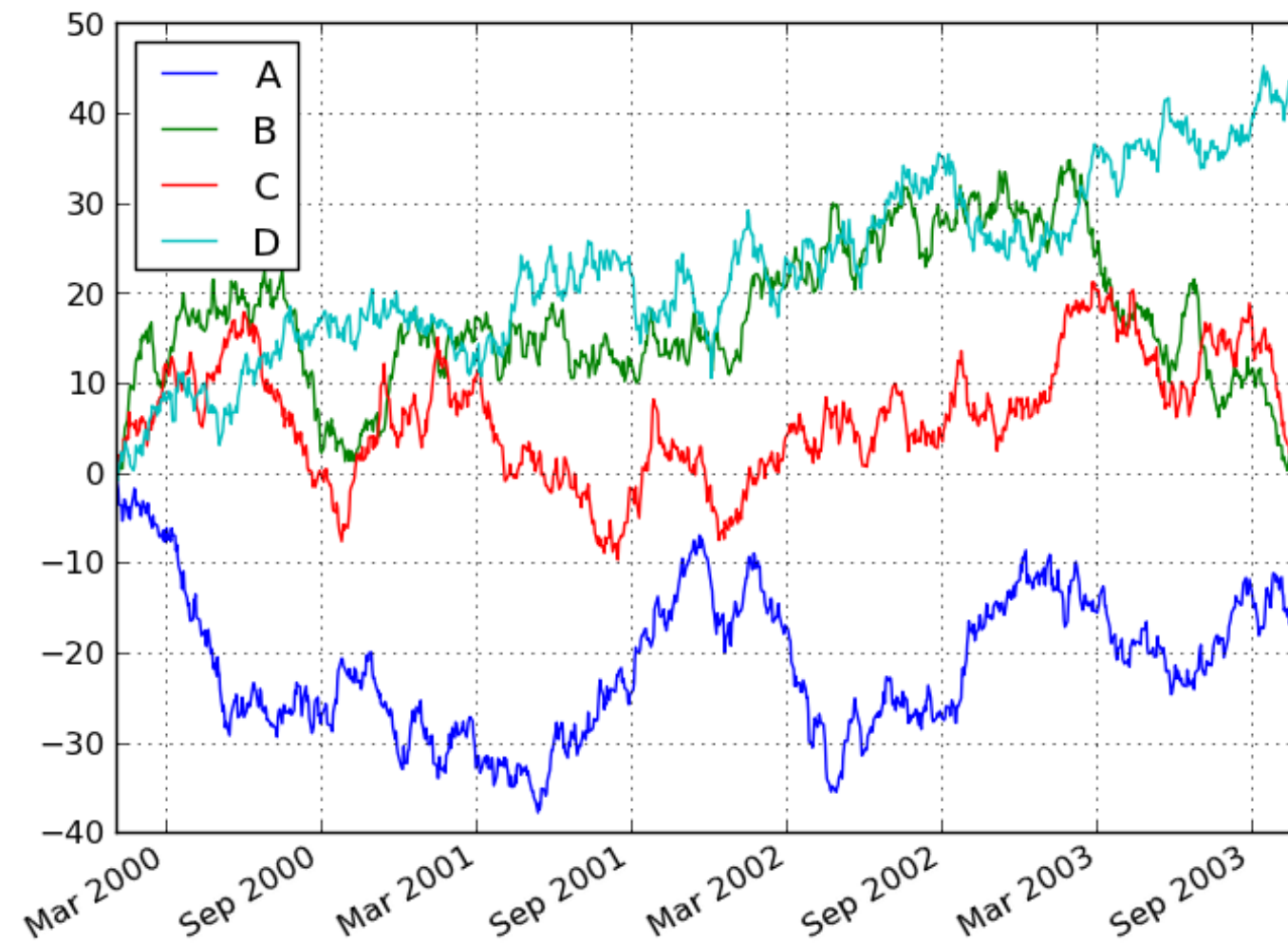
```
print(arr[0])

2
```

```
print(arr[-1])

32
```

Visualizing data with Matplotlib





Using matplotlib

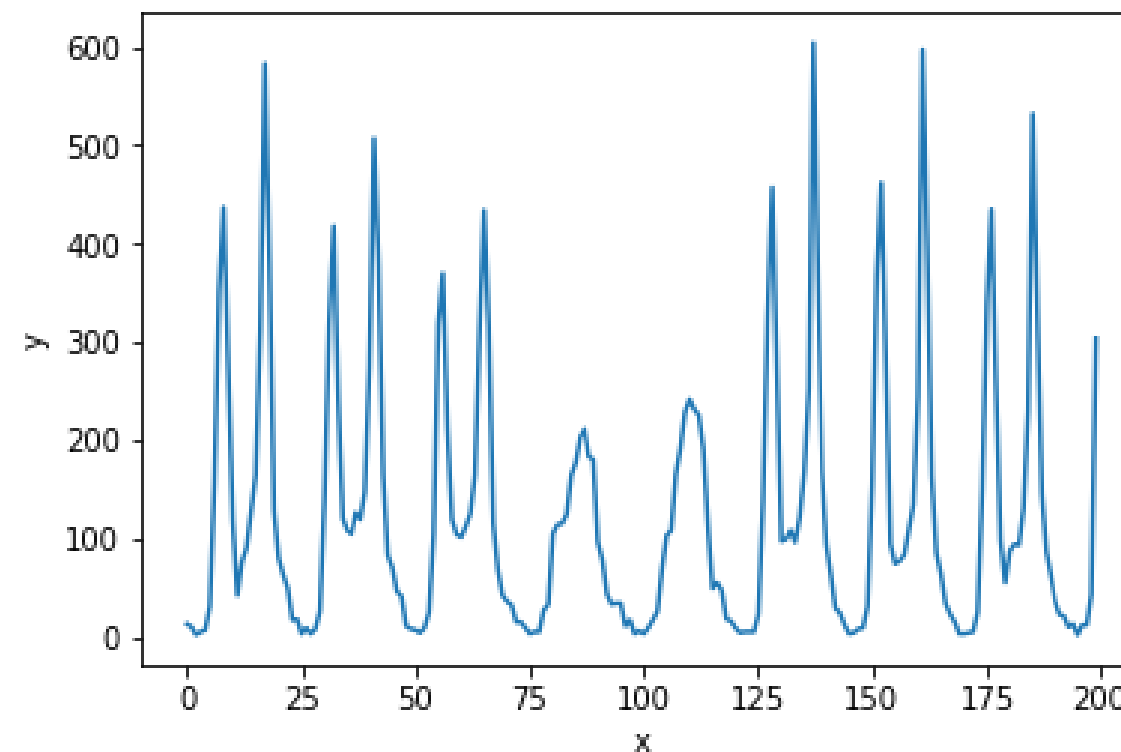
```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
# Create a new figure
plt.figure()

# Plot y as a function of x
plt.plot(x, y)

# Set the x-label and y-label
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

# Be sure to show the plot!
plt.show()
```





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Let's practice!