

BC COMS 1016: Intro to Comp Thinking & Data Science

Lecture 4

Arrays, Sequences, Tables

Thursday 01/27/22

Reminders



- HW00 due tonight
 - Individual assignment
 - Only 41 submissions (as of 10am today)
 - You can use 2 late days
- Lab01 due Monday
- Lab00:
 - If you haven't gotten it in yet, do it before the other assignments
- HW01
 - Will be released tonight
 - Due Thursday 02/03

Office Hours & Next few classes



- Today:
 - Adam 1pm-2pm after class
- Next week:
 - Tuesday still remote
 - Thursday TBD
- Tuesday Feb 8th:
 - TA review or watch last year's recording or no class
 - Your choice

Gradescope – Results vs Code View



Results	Code
STUDENT Adam Poliak	
AUTOGRADE SCORE - / 16.0	
QUESTION 2 Question 1 - / 2.0 pts	
QUESTION 3 Question 4.3 - / 1.0 pts	
QUESTION 4 Question 6.1 - / 2.0 pts	
QUESTION 5 Question 6.2 - / 1.0 pts	
QUESTION 6 Question 6.3 - / 1.0 pts	
QUESTION 7 Question 6.4 - / 1.0 pts	
QUESTION 8 Question 9.2 - / 0.0 pts	
RESULTS	
CODE	
STUDENT Adam Poliak	
AUTOGRADE SCORE - / 16.0	
FAILED TESTS q2_1 - Public (0.0/1.0) q2_2 - Public (0.0/1.0) q3_1 - Public (0.0/1.0) q3_2 - Public (0.0/1.0) q3_3 - Public (0.0/1.0) q4_1 - Public (0.0/1.0) q4_2 - Public (0.0/1.0) q5_1 - Public (0.0/1.0) q5_2 - Public (0.0/1.0) q5_3 - Public (0.0/3.0) q5_4 - Public (0.0/1.0) q8_1 - Public (0.0/1.0) q7_1 - Public (0.0/1.0)	
PASSED TESTS q9_1 - Public (0.0/0.0)	
QUESTION 2 Question 1 - / 2.0 pts	
QUESTION 3 Question 4.3 - / 1.0 pts	
QUESTION 4 Question 6.1 - / 2.0 pts	
QUESTION 5 Question 6.2 - / 1.0 pts	

Course Outline



- Exploration
 - Introduction to Python
 - Working with data

 - Inference
 - Probability
 - Statistics

 - Prediction
 - Machine Learning
 - Regression & Classification
- Week 1 - 5**
- Week 6 - 10**
- Week 11-14**



- Exploration **Week 1 - 5**
 - Discover patterns
 - Articulate insights
- Inference **Week 6 - 10**
 - Make reliable conclusions about the world
 - Statistics is useful
- Prediction **Week 11-14**
 - Informed guesses about unseen data

Types – Every value has a type



We've seen 5 types so far:

- int: 2
- float: 2.2
- str: 'Red fish, blue fish'
- builtin_function_or_method: abs, max, min
- Table



Tables



Table Structure

- A Table is a sequence of labeled columns
- Row: represents one individual
- Column: represents one attribute of the individuals

Name	Code	Area (m2)
California	CA	163696
Nevada	NV	110567



Table methods

- Creating and extending tables:
 - `Table().with_column` and `Table.read_table`
- Finding the size:
 - `num_rows`, `num_columns`
- Referring to columns: labels, relabeling and indices
 - `labels` and `relabel`; column indices start at 0

Tables – select and drop



- `t.select(...)` – constructs a new table with just the specified columns
- `t.drop(...)` – constructs a new table in which the specified columns are omitted
- These operations create a new table



Tables – select and drop

- `.select(<Column Name>)`
 - Returns a new table with the specified columns
- `.select(<Int i>)`
 - Returns a new table with the column at index I
- `drop(<Column Name>)`
 - Returns a new table without the specified columns
- `.drop(<Int i>)`
 - Returns a new table without the column at index i

Some Table Operations



- `t.sort(label)` – constructs a new table with rows sorted by the specified column
- `t.where(label, condiction)` – constructs a new table with just the rows that match the condition
- More are listed at
<http://coms1016.barnard.edu/python-reference.html>



— Array





An array contains a sequence of values

- All elements of an array should have the same type
- Arithmetic is applied to each element individually
- Adding arrays add elements (**if same length!**)
- A column of a table is in an array
 - All values in a single column are the same type



A range is an array of consecutive numbers

- `np.arange(end):`
An array of increasing integers from 0 up to end
- `np.arange(start, end):`
An array of increasing integers from start up to end
- `np.arange(start, end, step):`
A range with step between consecutive values

The range always include start but excludes end

Array Functions & Methods



Name	Chapter	Description
<code>max(array)</code>	3.3	Returns the maximum value of an array
<code>min(array)</code>	3.3	Returns the minimum value of an array
<code>sum(array)</code>	3.3	Returns the sum of the values in an array
<code>abs(num), np.abs(array)</code>	3.3	Take the absolute value of number or each number in an array.
<code>round(num), np.round(array)</code>	3.3	Round number or array of numbers to the nearest integer.
<code>len(array)</code>	3.3	Returns the length (number of elements) of an array
<code>make_array(val1, val2, ...)</code>	5	Makes a numpy array with the values passed in
<code>np.average(array) np.mean(array)</code>	5.1	Returns the mean value of an array
<code>np.std(array)</code>	14.2	Returns the standard deviation of an array
<code>np.diff(array)</code>	5.1	Returns a new array of size <code>len(arr)-1</code> with elements equal to the difference between adjacent elements; <code>val_2 - val_1, val_3 - val_2</code> , etc.
<code>np.sqrt(array)</code>	5.1	Returns an array with the square root of each element
<code>np.arange(start, stop, step) np.arange(start, stop) np.arange(stop)</code>	5.2	An array of numbers starting with <code>start</code> , going up in increments of <code>step</code> , and going up to but excluding <code>stop</code> . When <code>start</code> and/or <code>step</code> are left out, default values are used in their place. Default step is 1; default start is 0.
<code>array.item(index)</code>	5.3	Returns the i-th item in an array (remember Python indices start at 0!)
<code>np.random.choice(array, n) np.random.choice(array)</code>	9	Picks one (by default) or some number 'n' of items from an array at random. By default, with replacement.
<code>np.count_nonzero(array)</code>	9	Returns the number of non-zero (or <code>True</code>) elements in an array.
<code>np.append(array, item)</code>	9.2	Returns a copy of the input array with <code>item</code> (must be the same type as the other entries in the array) appended to the end.
<code>percentile(percentile, array)</code>	13.1	Returns the corresponding percentile of an array.



— Tables & Arrays —

Table methods



- Accessing data in a column
 - `Column` takes a label or index and returns an array
- Using array methods to work with data in columns
 - `item`, `sum`, `min`, `max`, and so on
- Creating new tables containing some of the original columns
 - `select`, `drop`

Questions in notebook

Questions:



The table `nba` has columns

`PLAYER`, `POSITION`, and `SALARY`

```
table = Table.read_table('https://www.inferentialthinking.com/data/nba_salaries.csv')
```

1. Create an array containing the names of all centers (C) who make more than \$15M/year

```
centers = table.where('POSITION', 'C')
```

```
centers.where('\'15-\'16 SALARY', are.above(15)).column('PLAYER')
```

Answer:

'Dwight Howard', 'Roy Hibbert', 'Marc Gasol', 'Enes Kanter', 'DeMarcus Cousins'



Attribute Types

Types of Attributes



All values in a column of a table should be both the same type **and** be comparable to each other

- **Numerical** – values are from a numerical scale
 - Numerical measurements are ordered
 - Differences are meaningful
- **Categorical** – values from a fixed inventory
 - May or may not have an ordering
 - Categories are the same or different



Values as numbers are not guaranteed to be numerical

- Census example: SEX code (0, 1, 2)
- Arithmetic on these “numbers” is meaningless
- The variable SEX is still categorical, even though numbers were used for the categories



Census Data

The Decennial Census



- Every ten years, Census Bureau counts how many people there are in the U.S.
- Census Bureau estimates how many people are in US during the other 9 years
- U.S. Constitution Article 1, Section 2:
 - “Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States ... according to their respective Numbers ...”



- <https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/datasets/>
- <https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/datasets/2010-2015/national/totals/>
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