# intro\_Scipy

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## 1 E Introduction to Scipy

This is part of the Python lecture given by Christophe Morisset at IA-UNAM.

Scipy is a library with a lot of foncionalities, we will not cover everything here, but rather point to some of them with examples. Some useful links about scipy:

- $\bullet \ \, \rm https://scipy-lectures.github.io/intro/scipy.html$
- http://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/tutorial/

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In [2]: %matplotlib inline
    import numpy as np
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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In [3]: import scipy # This imports a lot of scipy stuff, but not the "important" modules

#### 1.0.1 Some usefull methods

List there: http://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/constants.html#constants-database

#### 1.0.2 Integrations

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In [6]: from scipy.integrate import trapz, cumtrapz, simps
      #help(scipy.integrate) # a big one...
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      print('-----
      help(trapz)
      print('-----')
      help(cumtrapz)
      print('-----')
      help(simps)
Help on function trapz in module numpy.lib.function_base:
trapz(y, x=None, dx=1.0, axis=-1)
   Integrate along the given axis using the composite trapezoidal rule.
   Integrate 'y' ('x') along given axis.
   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
      Definite integral as approximated by trapezoidal rule.
   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
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- .. [1] Wikipedia page: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trapezoidal\_rule
- .. [2] Illustration image:

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Examples
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   >>> np.trapz([1,2,3])
   >>> np.trapz([1,2,3], x=[4,6,8])
   8.0
   >>> np.trapz([1,2,3], dx=2)
   8.0
   >>> 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.])
 ______
Help on function cumtrapz in module scipy.integrate.quadrature:
cumtrapz(y, x=None, dx=1.0, axis=-1, initial=None)
   Cumulatively integrate y(x) using the composite trapezoidal rule.
   Parameters
   y : array_like
       Values to integrate.
   x : array_like, optional
       The coordinate to integrate along. If None (default), use spacing 'dx'
       between consecutive elements in 'y'.
   dx : float, optional
       Spacing between elements of 'y'. Only used if 'x' is None.
   axis : int, optional
       Specifies the axis to cumulate. Default is -1 (last axis).
   initial : scalar, optional
       If given, uses this value as the first value in the returned result.
       Typically this value should be 0. Default is None, which means no
       value at "x[0]" is returned and "res" has one element less than "y"
       along the axis of integration.
   Returns
   res : ndarray
       The result of cumulative integration of 'y' along 'axis'.
       If 'initial' is None, the shape is such that the axis of integration
       has one less value than 'y'. If 'initial' is given, the shape is equal
       to that of 'y'.
   See Also
   numpy.cumsum, numpy.cumprod
   quad: adaptive quadrature using QUADPACK
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romberg: adaptive Romberg quadrature
quadrature: adaptive Gaussian quadrature
fixed_quad: fixed-order Gaussian quadrature
dblquad: double integrals
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dblquad: double integrals
tplquad: triple integrals

romb: integrators for sampled data

ode: ODE integrators
odeint: ODE integrators

#### Examples

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>>> from scipy import integrate
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>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

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>>> x = np.linspace(-2, 2, num=20)
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>>> y = x

>>> y\_int = integrate.cumtrapz(y, x, initial=0)

>>> plt.plot(x, y\_int, 'ro', x, y[0] + 0.5 \* x\*\*2, 'b-')

>>> plt.show()

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Help on function simps in module scipy.integrate.quadrature:

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simps(y, x=None, dx=1, axis=-1, even='avg')
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Integrate y(x) using samples along the given axis and the composite Simpson's rule. If x is None, spacing of dx is assumed.

If there are an even number of samples, N, then there are an odd number of intervals (N-1), but Simpson's rule requires an even number of intervals. The parameter 'even' controls how this is handled.

#### Parameters

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y : array\_like

Array to be integrated.

x : array\_like, optional

If given, the points at which 'y' is sampled.

 ${\tt dx}$  : int, optional

Spacing of integration points along axis of 'y'. Only used when 'x' is None. Default is 1.

axis : int, optional

Axis along which to integrate. Default is the last axis.

even : str {'avg', 'first', 'last'}, optional

'avg' : Average two results:1) use the first N-2 intervals with a trapezoidal rule on the last interval and 2) use the last N-2 intervals with a trapezoidal rule on the first interval.

'first' : Use Simpson's rule for the first N-2 intervals with a trapezoidal rule on the last interval.

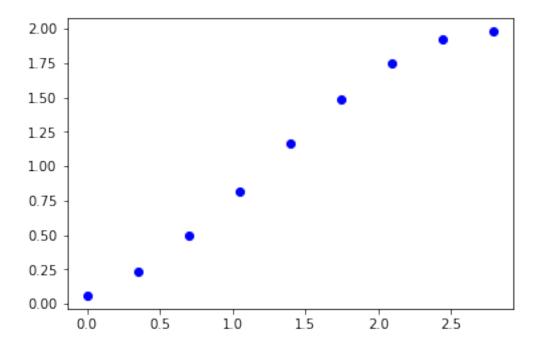
'last': Use Simpson's rule for the last N-2 intervals with a trapezoidal rule on the first interval.

See Also

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quad: adaptive quadrature using QUADPACK
    romberg: adaptive Romberg quadrature
    quadrature: adaptive Gaussian quadrature
    fixed_quad: fixed-order Gaussian quadrature
    dblquad: double integrals
    tplquad: triple integrals
    romb: integrators for sampled data
    cumtrapz: cumulative integration for sampled data
    ode: ODE integrators
    odeint: ODE integrators
    Notes
    For an odd number of samples that are equally spaced the result is
    exact if the function is a polynomial of order 3 or less. If
    the samples are not equally spaced, then the result is exact only
    if the function is a polynomial of order 2 or less.
In [16]: dir(scipy.integrate)
Out[16]: ['IntegrationWarning',
          'Tester',
          '__all__',
          '__builtins__',
          '__doc__',
          '__file__',
          '__name__',
          '__package__',
          '__path__',
          '_bvp',
          '_dop',
          '_ode',
          '_odepack',
          '_quadpack',
          'absolute_import',
          'complex_ode',
          'cumtrapz',
          'dblquad',
          'division',
          'fixed_quad',
          'lsoda',
          'newton_cotes',
          'nquad',
          'ode',
          'odeint',
          'odepack',
          'print_function',
          'quad',
          'quad_explain',
          'quadpack',
          'quadrature',
          'romb',
          'romberg',
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'simps',
          'solve_bvp',
          'test',
          'tplquad',
          'trapz',
          'vode']
In [7]: # Defining x and y
       x = np.linspace(0, np.pi, 100)
       y = np.sin(x)
        # Compare the integrales using two methods
       %timeit i1 = trapz(y, x)
       %timeit i2 = simps(y, x)
       print(trapz(y, x))
       print(simps(y, x))
       x = np.linspace(0, np.pi, 10)
       y = np.sin(x)
       %timeit i1 = trapz(y, x)
       %timeit i2 = simps(y, x)
       print(trapz(y, x))
       print(simps(y, x))
27.6~\mu s~\pm~133~ns per loop (mean \pm~std. dev. of 7 runs, 10000 loops each)
150 \mu \text{s} \pm 2.02~\mu \text{s} per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 10000 loops each)
1.99983216389
1.99999996902
26.5 \mu s \pm 109 ns per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 10000 loops each)
146 \mu \text{s} \pm 140 \text{ ns} per loop (mean \pm \text{ std.} dev. of 7 runs, 10000 loops each)
1.97965081122
1.99954873658
In [8]: # Cumulative integrale
       print(cumtrapz(np.abs(y), x))
1.74807566 1.91995704 1.97965081]
In [9]: # Cumulative integral
       print('{} {}'.format(len(x), len(cumtrapz(np.abs(y), x))))
       f, ax = plt.subplots()
       ax.plot(x[0:-1], cumtrapz(np.abs(y), x), 'bo');
10 9
```



We now want to evaluate:

$$\int_0^1 1 + 2x + 3x^2 dx$$

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In [11]: # We want here integrate a user-defined function (here polynome) between 0 and 1 def f(x, a, b, c):

""" Returning a 2nd order polynome """

return a + b * x + c * x**2

%timeit I = quad(f, 0, 1, args=(1,2,3)) # args will send 1, 2, 3 to f

I = quad(f, 0, 1, args=(1,2,3)) # args will send 1, 2, 3 to f

print(I)

Integ = I[0]

print(Integ)

16.6 \( \mu s \pm \pm \pm 464 \) ns per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 100000 loops each)

(3.0, 3.3306690738754696e-14)
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#### 1.0.3 Interpolations

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In [12]: from scipy.interpolate import interp1d, interp2d, splrep, splev, griddata

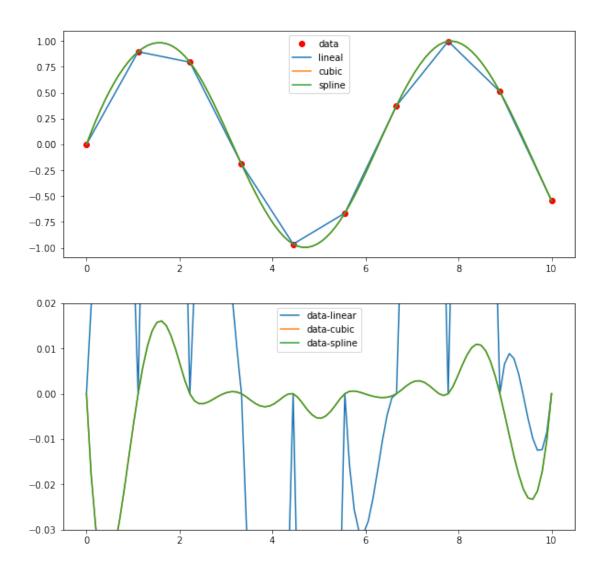
In [13]: #help(scipy.interpolate) # a huge one...
help(interp1d)

Help on class interp1d in module scipy.interpolate.interpolate:

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class interp1d(scipy.interpolate.polyint._Interpolator1D)
   Interpolate a 1-D function.
   'x' and 'y' are arrays of values used to approximate some function f:
   "y = f(x)". This class returns a function whose call method uses
  interpolation to find the value of new points.
 | Note that calling 'interp1d' with NaNs present in input values results in
  undefined behaviour.
  Parameters
   _____
  x : (N,) array_like
       A 1-D array of real values.
   y : (...,N,...) array_like
       A N-D array of real values. The length of 'y' along the interpolation
       axis must be equal to the length of 'x'.
   kind : str or int, optional
       Specifies the kind of interpolation as a string
        ('linear', 'nearest', 'zero', 'slinear', 'quadratic', 'cubic'
       where 'zero', 'slinear', 'quadratic' and 'cubic' refer to a spline
       interpolation of zeroth, first, second or third order) or as an
       integer specifying the order of the spline interpolator to use.
       Default is 'linear'.
   axis : int, optional
       Specifies the axis of 'y' along which to interpolate.
       Interpolation defaults to the last axis of 'y'.
   copy : bool, optional
       If True, the class makes internal copies of {\bf x} and {\bf y}.
       If False, references to 'x' and 'y' are used. The default is to copy.
   bounds_error : bool, optional
       If True, a ValueError is raised any time interpolation is attempted on
       a value outside of the range of x (where extrapolation is
       necessary). If False, out of bounds values are assigned 'fill_value'.
       By default, an error is raised unless 'fill_value="extrapolate"'.
   fill_value : array-like or (array-like, array_like) or "extrapolate", optional
       - if a ndarray (or float), this value will be used to fill in for
         requested points outside of the data range. If not provided, then
         the default is NaN. The array-like must broadcast properly to the
         dimensions of the non-interpolation axes.
       - If a two-element tuple, then the first element is used as a
         fill value for ''x_new < x[0]'' and the second element is used for
          "x_n = x = 1". Anything that is not a 2-element tuple (e.g.,
         list or ndarray, regardless of shape) is taken to be a single
         array-like argument meant to be used for both bounds as
         "below, above = fill_value, fill_value".
         .. versionadded:: 0.17.0
       - If "extrapolate", then points outside the data range will be
         extrapolated.
         .. versionadded:: 0.17.0
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assume_sorted : bool, optional
      If False, values of 'x' can be in any order and they are sorted first.
      If True, 'x' has to be an array of monotonically increasing values.
Methods
l __call__
| See Also
| splrep, splev
      Spline interpolation/smoothing based on FITPACK.
 UnivariateSpline : An object-oriented wrapper of the FITPACK routines.
 interp2d : 2-D interpolation
| Examples
| >>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
| >>> from scipy import interpolate
\mid >>> x = np.arange(0, 10)
| >>> y = np.exp(-x/3.0)
| >>> f = interpolate.interp1d(x, y)
| >>> xnew = np.arange(0, 9, 0.1)
| >>> ynew = f(xnew)  # use interpolation function returned by 'interp1d'
| >>> plt.plot(x, y, 'o', xnew, ynew, '-')
| >>> plt.show()
 Method resolution order:
      interp1d
      scipy.interpolate.polyint._Interpolator1D
      builtins.object
 Methods defined here:
  __init__(self, x, y, kind='linear', axis=-1, copy=True, bounds_error=None, fill_value=nan, assume_sor
      Initialize a 1D linear interpolation class.
  ______
 Data descriptors defined here:
      dictionary for instance variables (if defined)
  __weakref__
      list of weak references to the object (if defined)
 fill_value
 Methods inherited from scipy.interpolate.polyint._Interpolator1D:
 _{-}call_{-}(self, x)
      Evaluate the interpolant
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Parameters
       _____
       x : array_like
           Points to evaluate the interpolant at.
       Returns
       y : array_like
            Interpolated values. Shape is determined by replacing
            the interpolation axis in the original array with the shape of x.
   Data descriptors inherited from scipy.interpolate.polyint._Interpolator1D:
   dtype
In [14]: x = np.linspace(0, 10, 10)
         y = np.sin(x)
         f = interp1d(x, y) # this creates a function that can be call at any interpolate point
         f2 = interp1d(x, y, kind='cubic') # The same but using cubic interpolation
         tck = splrep(x, y, s=0) # This initiate the spline interpolating function, finding the B-splin
         # tck is a sequence of length 3 returned by 'splrep' or 'splprep' containing the knots, coeffi
         f3 = lambda x: splev(x, tck) # Evaluate the B-spline or its derivatives.
In [15]: # Defining the high resolution mesh
         xfine = np.linspace(0, 10, 100)
         yfine = np.sin(xfine)
         # Plot to compare the results
         fig, (ax1, ax2) = plt.subplots(2, figsize=(10,10))
         ax1.plot(x, y, 'or', label='data')
         ax1.plot(xfine, f(xfine), label='lineal')
         ax1.plot(xfine, f2(xfine), label='cubic')
         ax1.plot(xfine, f3(xfine), label='spline')
         ax1.legend(loc=9)
         ax2.plot(xfine, (yfine-f(xfine)), label='data-linear')
         ax2.plot(xfine, (yfine-f2(xfine)), label='data-cubic')
         ax2.plot(xfine, (yfine-f3(xfine)), label='data-spline')
         ax2.legend(loc='best')
         ax2.set_ylim((-0.03, 0.02));
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In [16]: x0 = 3.5
    print('{} {} {} {}'.format(np.sin(x0), f(x0), f2(x0), f3(x0)))
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[ 0.01010101 0.01010101 0.01010101 ..., 0.01010101 0.01010101

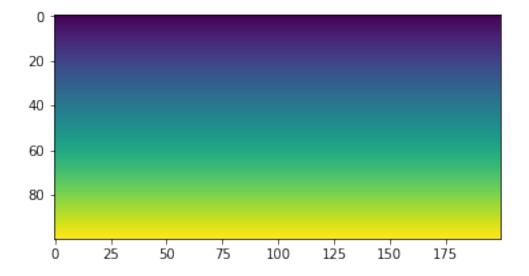
 $-0.35078322768961984 \ -0.3066303359834792 \ -0.34959725240218925 \ -0.3495972524021892$ 

## 2D interpolation

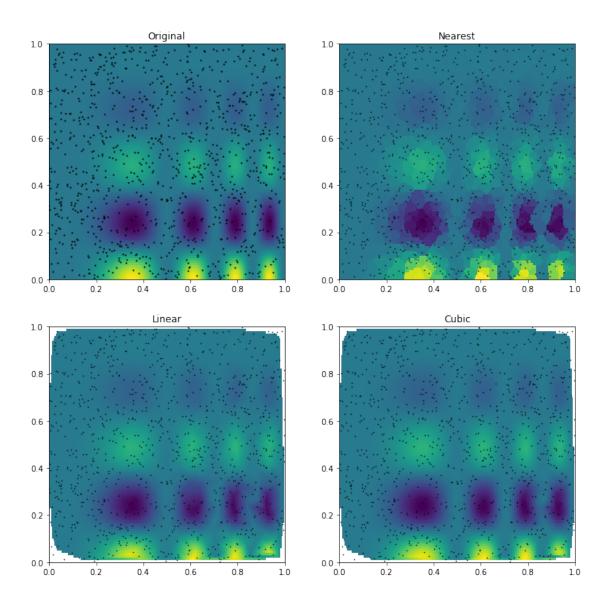
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0.01010101]
[ 0.02020202  0.02020202  0.02020202  ...,  0.02020202  0.02020202
  0.02020202]
0.97979798]
0.98989899]
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           0.00502513 0.01005025 ..., 0.98994975 0.99497487
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           0.00502513 0.01005025 ..., 0.98994975 0.99497487
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In [20]: plt.imshow(grid\_x)

Out[20]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f01004a15f8>



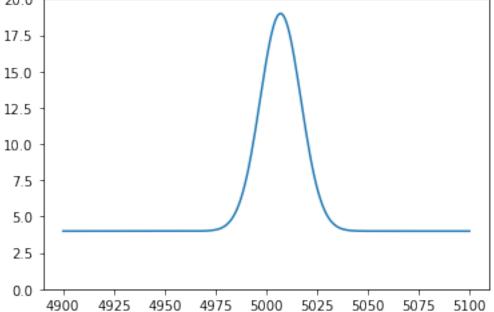
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In [22]: # griddata is the 2D-interpolating method. We want to obtain values on (grid_x, grid_y) points
         # using "points" and "values".
         %timeit grid_z0 = griddata(points, values, (grid_x, grid_y), method='nearest')
         %timeit grid_z1 = griddata(points, values, (grid_x, grid_y), method='linear')
         %timeit grid_z2 = griddata(points, values, (grid_x, grid_y), method='cubic')
19.7 ms \pm 419 \mus per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 100 loops each)
11.7 ms \pm 223 \mus per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
25.2 ms \pm 339 \mus per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 10 loops each)
In [23]: # 4 subplots
         grid_z0 = griddata(points, values, (grid_x, grid_y), method='nearest')
         grid_z1 = griddata(points, values, (grid_x, grid_y), method='linear')
         grid_z2 = griddata(points, values, (grid_x, grid_y), method='cubic')
         fig, ((ax1, ax2), (ax3, ax4)) = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(12, 12))
         ax1.imshow(func(grid_x, grid_y), extent=(0,1,0,1), interpolation='none',
                    origin='upper')
         ax1.plot(points[:,0], points[:,1], 'ko', ms=1)
         ax1.set_title('Original')
         ax2.imshow(grid_z0, extent=(0,1,0,1), interpolation='none',
                    origin='upper')
         ax2.plot(points[:,0], points[:,1], 'k.', ms=1)
         ax2.set_title('Nearest')
         ax3.imshow(grid_z1, extent=(0,1,0,1), interpolation='none',
                    origin='upper')
         ax3.plot(points[:,0], points[:,1], 'k.', ms=1)
         ax3.set_title('Linear')
         ax4.imshow(grid_z2, extent=(0,1,0,1), interpolation='none',
                    origin='upper')
         ax4.plot(points[:,0], points[:,1], 'k.', ms=1)
         ax4.set_title('Cubic');
```



#### 1.0.4 Linear algebra

Scipy is able to deal with matrices, solving linear equations, solving linear least-squares problems and pseudo-inverses, finding eigenvalues and eigenvectors, and more, see here:  $\frac{http:}{docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/tutorial/linalg.html}$ 

#### 1.0.5 Data fit

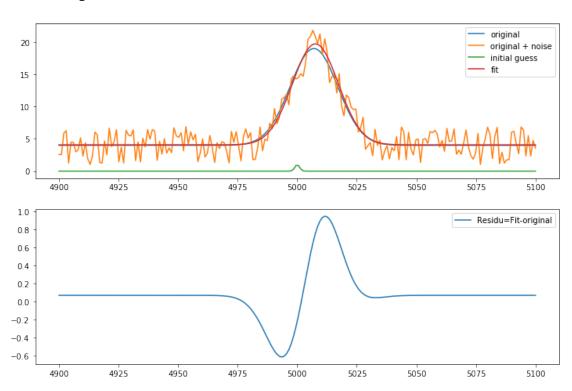


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In [28]: SN = 5. # Signal/Noise
    noise = B / SN * (np.random.rand(N_lam)*2 - 1)
    fl2 = fl + noise
    f, ax =plt.subplots()
    ax.plot(lam, fl, label='signal')
    ax.plot(lam, noise, label='noise')
    ax.plot(lam, fl2, label='signal + noise')
    ax.legend(loc='best');
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signal
20
                                                         noise
                                                         signal + noise
15
10
 5
 0
                                                    5050
            4925
                    4950
                            4975
                                    5000
                                            5025
                                                            5075
                                                                   5100
    4900
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In [29]: # Initial quess:
        A_i = 0.
        B_i = 1.
        Lam0_i = 5000.
        Sigma_i = 1.
        fl_init = gauss(lam, A_i, B_i, Lam0_i, Sigma_i)
         error = np.ones_like(lam) * np.mean(np.abs(noise)) # We define the error (the same on each pix
In [30]: # fitting the noisy data with the gaussian function, using the initial guess and the errors
        fit, covar = curve_fit(gauss, lam, f12, [A_i, B_i, LamO_i, Sigma_i], error)
                        В
                             Lam0
        print('
                 Α
                                       S')
        print('{0:.2f} {1:5.2f} {2:.2f} {3:5.2f}'.format(A, B, LamO, Sigma))
        print('{0:.2f} {1:5.2f} {2:.2f} {3:5.2f}'.format(A_i, B_i, LamO_i, Sigma_i))
         print('{0[0]:.2f} {0[1]:5.2f} {0[2]:5.2f} {0[3]:.2f}'.format(fit))
     В
           Lam0
4.00 15.00 5007.00 10.00
0.00 1.00 5000.00 1.00
4.07 15.66 5007.61 9.63
In [31]: # Computing the fit on the lambdas
         fl_fit = gauss(lam, fit[0], fit[1], fit[2], fit[3])
In [32]: fig, (ax1, ax2) = plt.subplots(2, 1, figsize=(12, 8))
         ax1.plot(lam, fl, label='original')
         ax1.plot(lam, fl2, label='original + noise')
         ax1.plot(lam, fl_init, label='initial guess')
         ax1.plot(lam, fl_fit, label='fit')
         ax1.legend()
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ax2.plot(lam, fl_fit - fl, label='Residu=Fit-original')
ax2.legend();
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"""Measurement model, return two coupled measurements."""

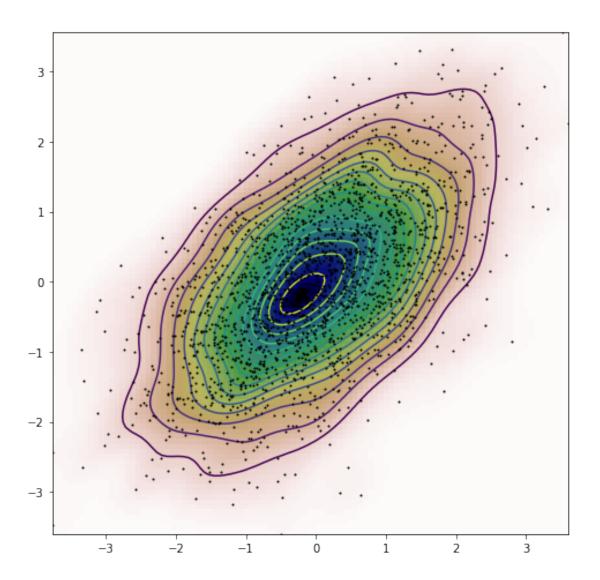
m1 = np.random.normal(size=n)

return m1+m2, m1-m2

m2 = np.random.normal(scale=0.5, size=n)

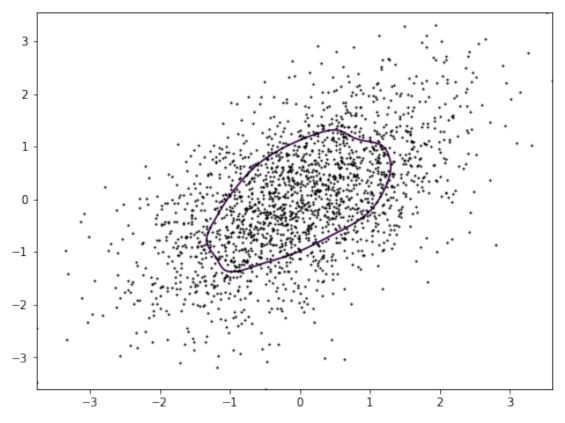
In [36]: def measure(n):

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In [38]: m1, m2 = measure(2000)
         xmin = m1.min()
         xmax = m1.max()
         ymin = m2.min()
         ymax = m2.max()
         print(xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)
-3.76250156395 3.6123769827 -3.60100846935 3.5660860828
In [39]: X, Y = np.mgrid[xmin:xmax:100j, ymin:ymax:100j]
         positions = np.vstack([X.ravel(), Y.ravel()])
         values = np.vstack([m1, m2])
        kernel = stats.gaussian_kde(values)
         Z = np.reshape(kernel.evaluate(positions).T, X.shape)
         print(Z.shape)
(100, 100)
In [40]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 8))
         ax.imshow(np.rot90(Z), cmap=plt.cm.gist_earth_r, extent=[xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax], origin='uppe
         ax.plot(m1, m2, 'k.', markersize=2)
         ax.set_xlim([xmin, xmax])
         ax.set_ylim([ymin, ymax])
         levels = [0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09, 0.10, 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14,
         cs = ax.contour(X, Y, Z, levels=levels); # I dont't know what those levels mean... but it work
```



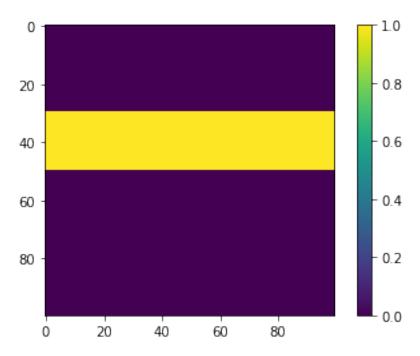
level 0.01 contains 95% of the data level 0.02 contains 88% of the data

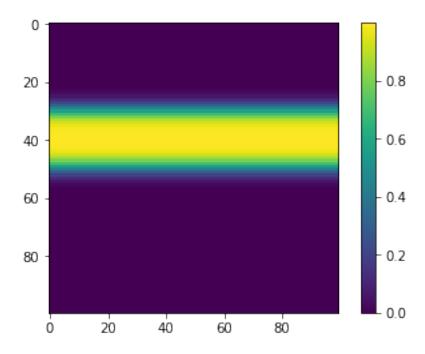
```
level 0.03 contains 82% of the data
level 0.04 contains 75% of the data
level 0.05 contains 69% of the data
level 0.06 contains 62% of the data
level 0.07 contains 56% of the data
level 0.08 contains 48% of the data
level 0.09 contains 39% of the data
level 0.10 contains 32% of the data
level 0.11 contains 25% of the data
level 0.12 contains 17% of the data
level 0.13 contains 10% of the data
level 0.14 contains 4% of the data
In [45]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8, 6))
         ax.plot(m1, m2, 'k.', markersize=2)
         ax.set_xlim([xmin, xmax])
         ax.set_ylim([ymin, ymax])
         cs = ax.contour(X, Y, Z, levels=[0.078]); # seems to correspond to 50% of the points inside
```



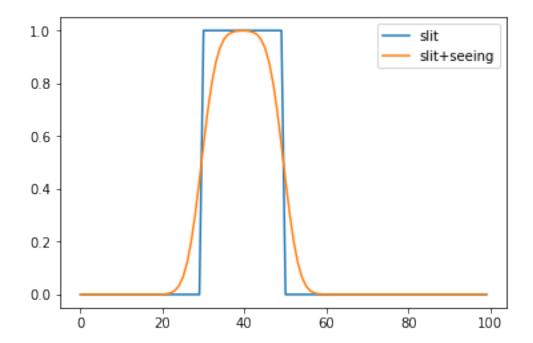
#### 1.0.7 Convolution

More information there: http://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/tutorial/ndimage.html





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In [50]: f, ax =plt.subplots()
          ax.plot(slit[:,50], label='slit') # original slit
          ax.plot(slit_seeing[:,50], label='slit+seeing') # slit with seeing
          ax.legend(loc='best');
```



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In [51]: # Check that the slit transmission is conserved:
         print(simps(slit[:,50]), simps(slit_seeing[:,50]))
20.0 20.0
1.0.8 Quantiles
In [52]: from scipy.stats.mstats import mquantiles
In [53]: #help(mquantiles)
In [54]: data = np.random.randn(1000)
In [55]: mquantiles(data, [0.16, 0.84]) # should return something close to -1, 1 (the stv of the normal
Out[55]: array([-0.97066278, 1.04647155])
In [56]: data = np.array([[
                              6.,
                                     7.,
                                             1.],
                                  [ 47.,
                                             15.,
                                                     2.],
                                    49.,
                                             36.,
                                                     3.],
                                  [ 15.,
                                             39.,
                                                     4.],
                                  [ 42.,
                                            40., -999.],
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41.,

41., -999.],

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7., -999., -999.],
                                  [ 39., -999., -999.],
                                  [ 43., -999., -999.],
                                  [ 40., -999., -999.],
                                  [ 36., -999., -999.]])
In [57]: mq = mquantiles(data, axis=0, limit=(0, 50))
         print(mq)
         print(type(mq))
         mq?
         print(mq.mask)
[[ 19.2
          14.6
                  1.45]
 [ 40.
          37.5
                  2.5]
 [ 42.8
          40.05
                  3.55]]
<class 'numpy.ma.core.MaskedArray'>
False
```

### 1.0.9 Input/Output

Scipy has many modules, classes, and functions available to read data from and write data to a variety of file formats.

Including MATLAB and IDL files. See http://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/io.html