Complex Indexing Using NumPy

Overview

Complex indexing operations to access specific elements in an array

Working with boolean array generated using conditions

Introducing arrays with structured data - a precursor to data frames

Working with mismatched arrays using broadcasting rules

Indexing using arrays of indices

Fancy indexing using GDP data

Indexing with boolean arrays generated using specified conditions

Working with structured data in arrays

Broadcasting

Allow operations on arrays with mismatched shapes

Broadcasting

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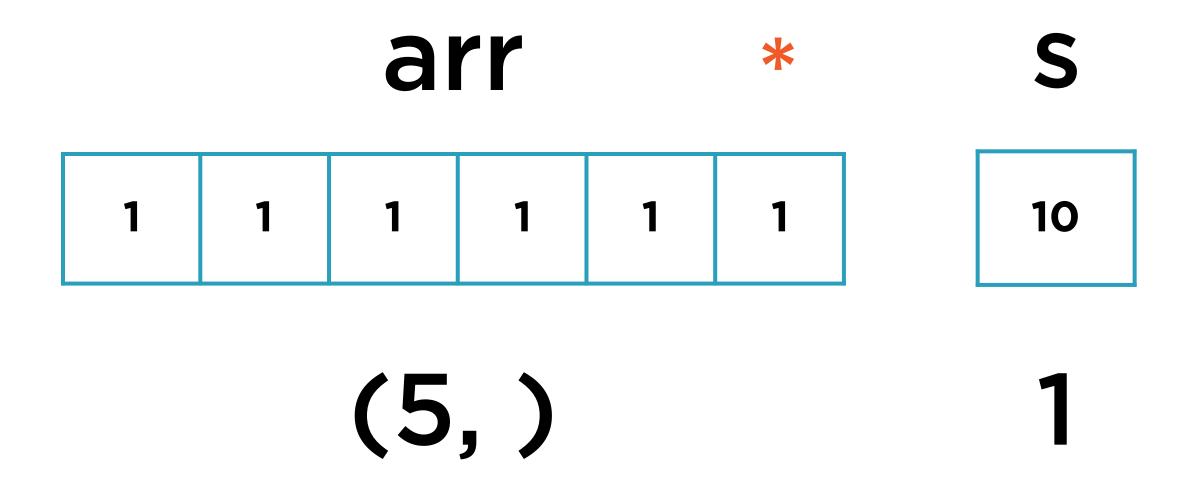
Compatibility in Broadcasting

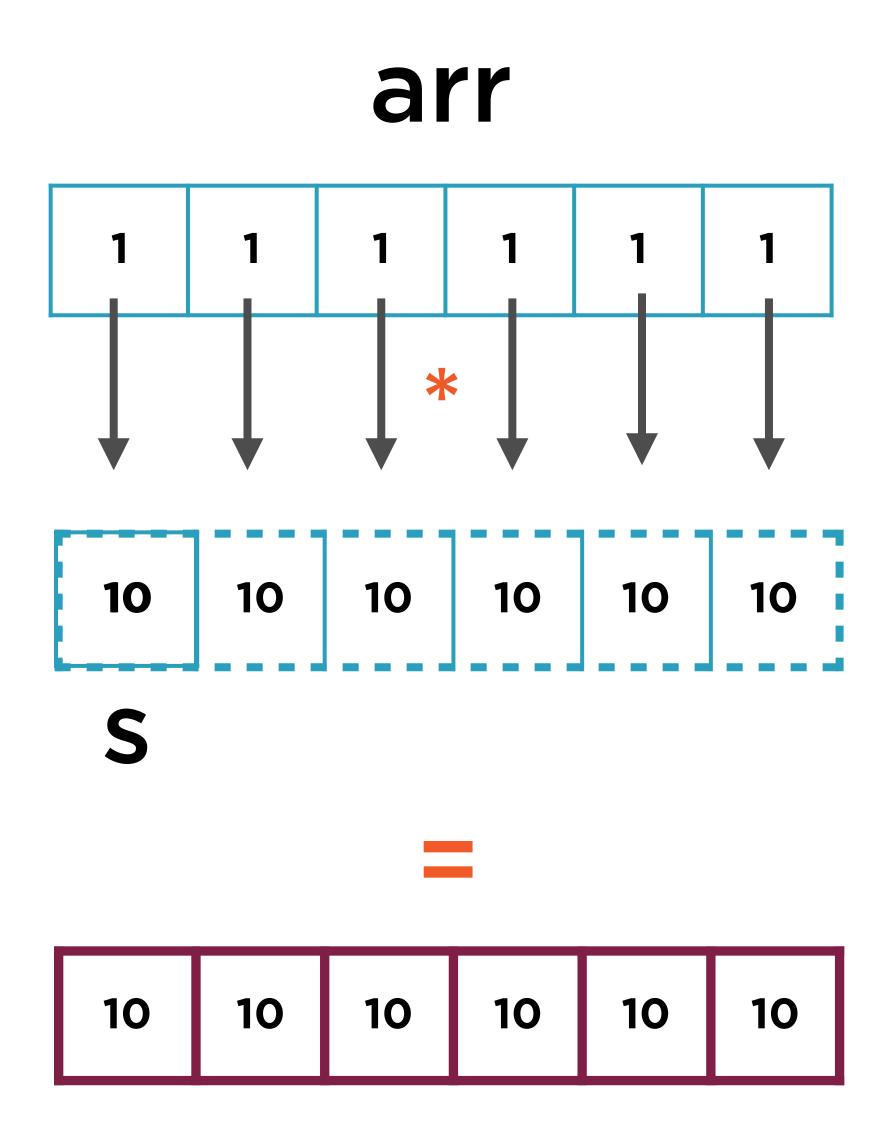
Broadcasting Scalars

Can always broadcast, independent of the other array in the operation

Broadcasting Arrays

Can only be broadcast if the shapes of the two arrays match





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Performed on pairs of arrays on an element-by-element basis.

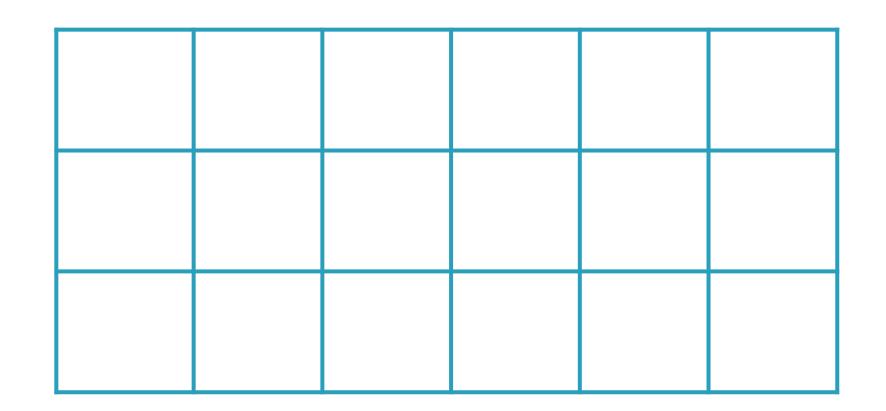
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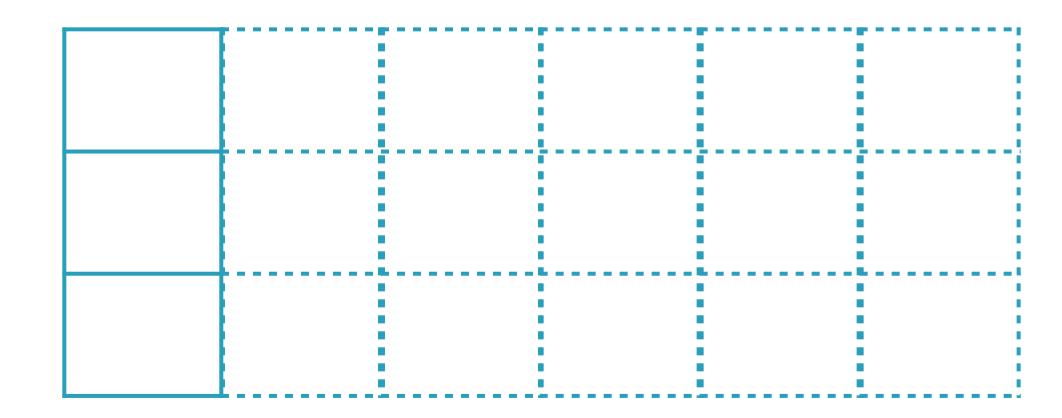
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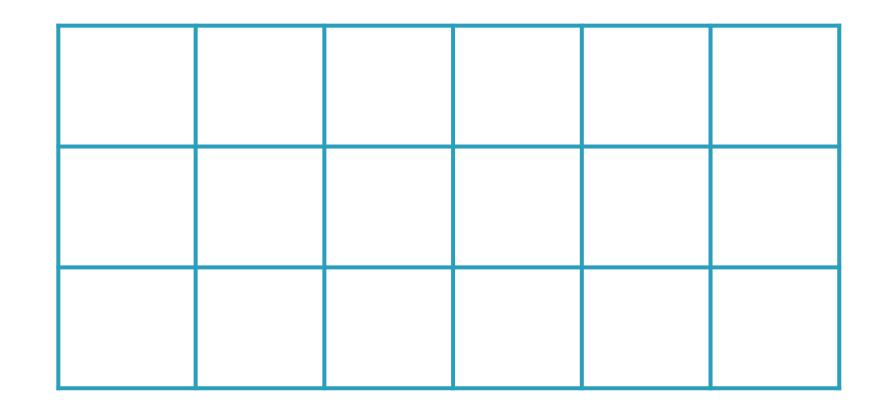


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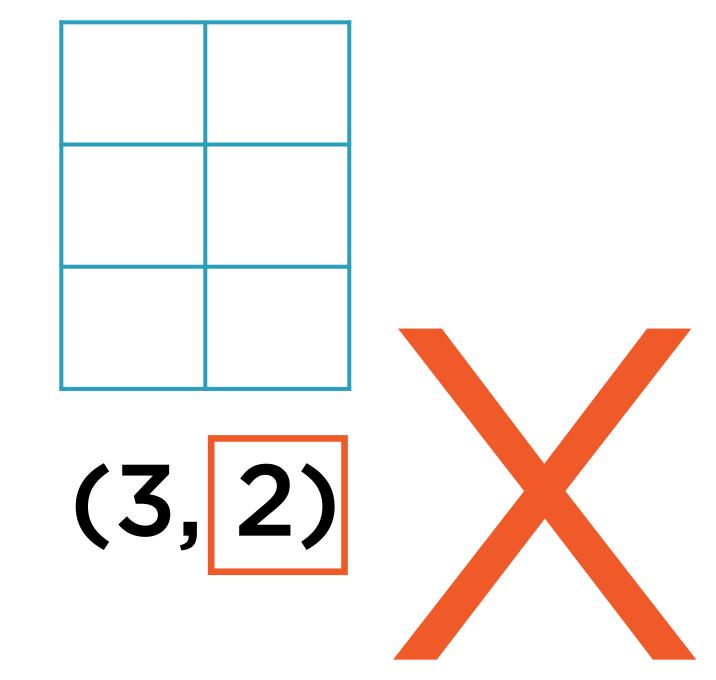


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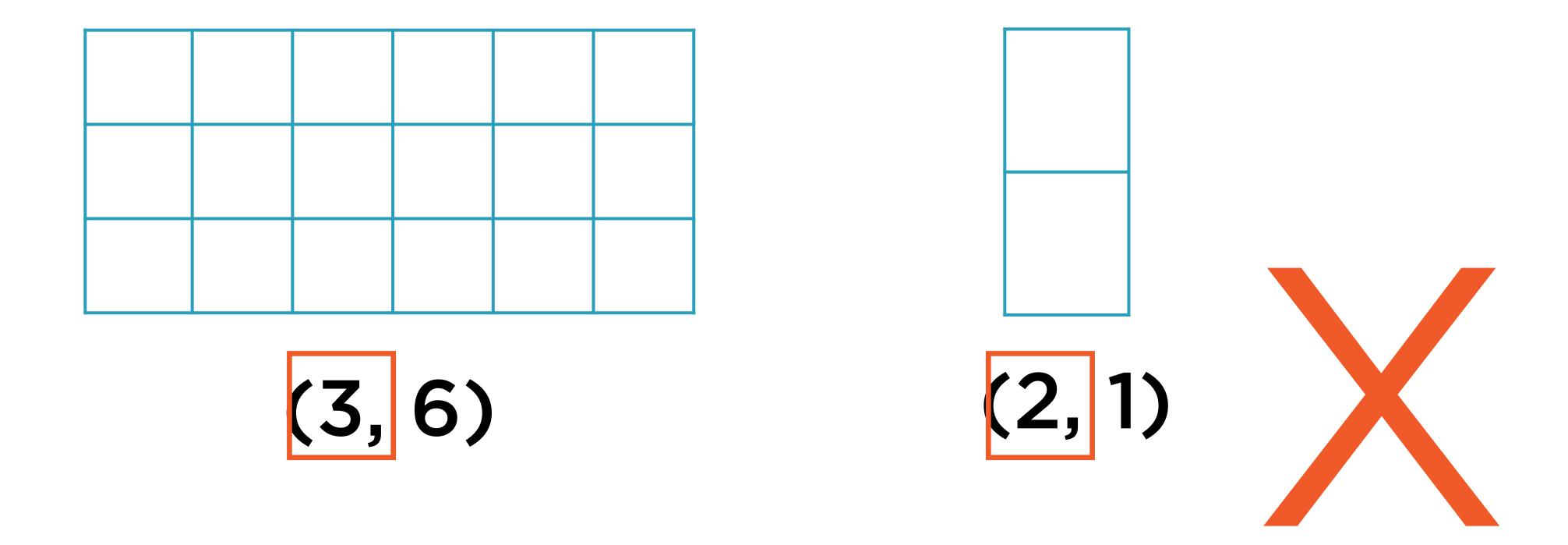
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Dimensions are considered in reverse order, starting with the trailing dimensions, and working forward

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Stretch the smaller array by making copies of its elements

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Either corresponding dimensions are equal or one of the two dimensions is 1

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Powerful: Allows arrays of different shapes to be combined

Memory-efficient: Needless copies avoided

Computationally-efficient: Looping ops in C rather than in Python

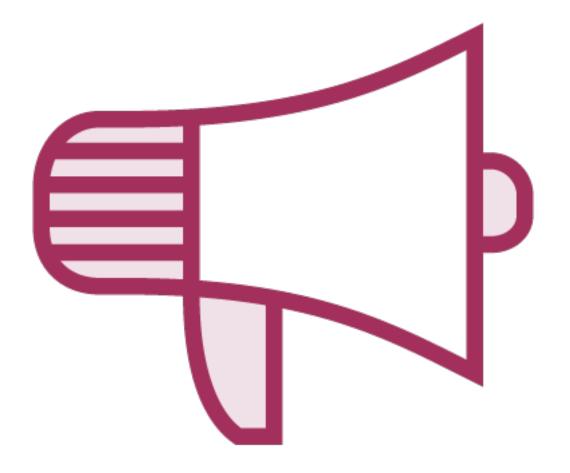
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Scalars are easy to broadcast

Just replicate 1 element

Can always broadcast

Independent of the other array

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Shapes of the two arrays are compared
Starting from trailing end
Each dimension must be compatible

Broadcasting rules

Automatic array reshaping

Vector array stacking

Histograms

Miscellaneous functions

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