Python for Science!

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Why SciPy?

- Free (as in software and as in beer)
- Cross platform coding
- Real time integration
 - Live data measurement and plotting
 - Robotics
- Easy as Python!

SciPy Available Tool Stack

http://scipy.org/docs.html

- Numpy- numerical data structures and symbols for use in Python
- Scipy- Signal and image processing, linear algebra, Fourier transforms, statistics
- MatPlotLib- Graphs of all kinds, GUIs, and animations
- SymPy- Symbolic math (calculus, matrices, and geometric algebra)
- Pandas- Easy data file processing from many filetypes

Why all this stuff?

- In today's scientific environment, everybody codes
 - MATLAB
 - Excel
 - MySQL
 - Traditional computer languages
 - Code from the Web

Boring things in the way of Science:

- Parsing files from a scientific instrument or sensor
- String parsing data exported from a database
- Resampling data to process it
- Filling in all the blank spots with zeroes
- ...and the list goes on.

Getting started: your tools

 Python 2.7 + Scipy + MatPlotLib all downloaded separately and installed on your machine

OR...

- Canopy package manager and IDE installed on your machine
- Sample Data- housing price data from Ames, Iowa

http://www.amstat.org/publications/jse/v19n3/decock/AmesHousing.txt

• Sample Python code (we'll create this as we go)

So you want to...

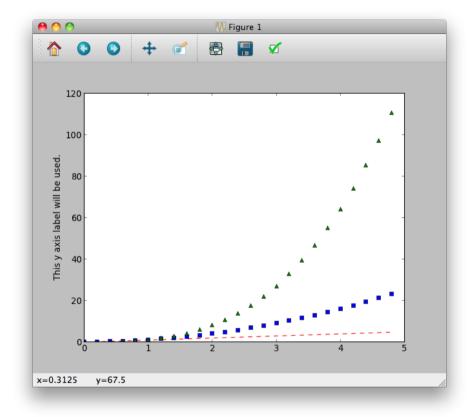
...plot data and arrays like MATLAB?

Enter Matplotlib

Hello Matplotlib!

http://matplotlib.org/users/pyplot_tutorial.html

```
import numpy
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
#uses MatPlotLib the way you use Matlab-
as an interactive console
t = numpy.arange(0., 5., 0.2) # evenly
sampled time at 200ms intervals
plt.plot(t, t, 'r--', t, t**2, 'bs', t,
t**3, 'q^') # red dashes, blue squares
and green triangles
plt.ylabel('This y axis label will be
used.')
plt.show()
plt.ylabel('This label will NOT appear')
#isn't called until AFTER we "show" the
plot, so it's ignored
```



So you want to... ...have fast numerical computation?

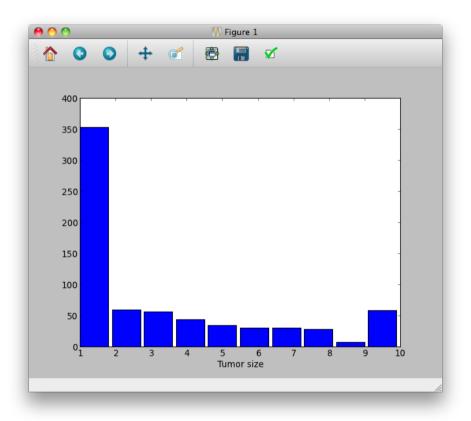
You've noticed that...
... Python lists don't replace matrices very well?

Enter Numpy.

Hello Numpy!

http://docs.scipy.org/doc/numpy/reference/generated/numpy.histogram.html

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import os, sys
#Numpy has a BUILT IN function for data
loading... if all your data is numeric
present directory =
os.path.dirname(sys.argv[0])
data = np.loadtxt(present directory +
os.sep + 'breast-cancer-wisconsin.data',
delimiter=",", skiprows=0)
tumor_cell_size = data[:,3]
#Numpy has built in statistics functions
as well:
histogram data, bin edges =
np.histogram(tumor cell size);
plt.bar(bin_edges[:-1], histogram_data)
#Bar graph the generated histogram data
plt.xlabel("Tumor size")
plt.xlim(min(bin_edges), max(bin_edges))
plt.show()
```



So you want to avoid spending all your time parsing data files?

You want...

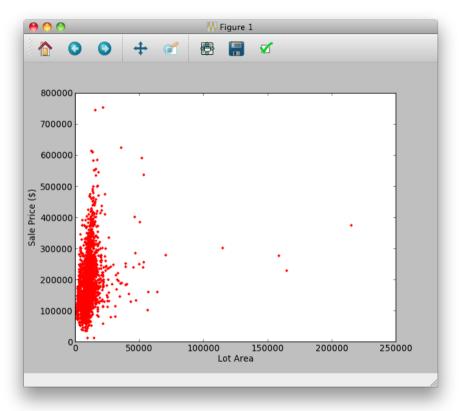
... **one line of code** to import your files into labeled rows and columns like Excel?

Enter Pandas.

Hello Pandas!

http://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/dev/cookbook.html

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas
import os, sys
present_directory = os.path.dirname(sys.argv[0])
Filename = present_directory + os.sep +
'ames iowa housing dataset.txt'
data = pandas.read csv( filename, header=0,
delimiter="\t")
print "Listing available columns:", data.columns
plt.plot(data["Lot Area"], data["SalePrice"], 'r.')
#Uses MATLAB style data formatting: red dot for plotted
points
plt.xlabel("Lot Area")
plt.ylabel("Sale Price ($)")
plt.show()
```



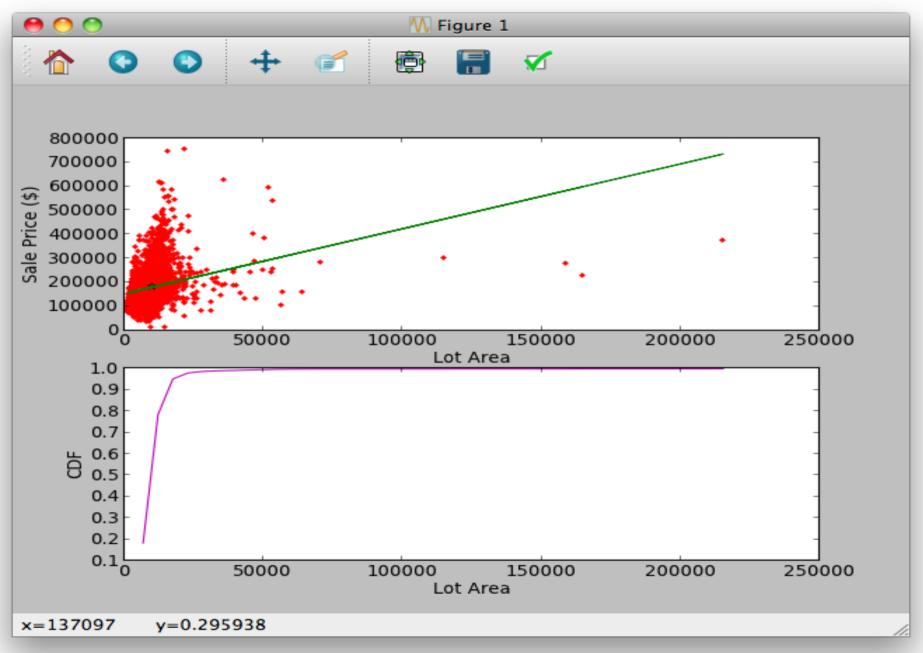
But I was promised a statistics library!

... Ok fine.

Hello statistics!

```
#Calculate some statistics about these houses:
mean_sale_price = np.mean(data["SalePrice"])
mean lot area = np.mean(data["Lot Area"])
#Calculate and plot a correlation line using the numpy linear regression linalg
library:
A = np.array([data["Lot Area"], np.ones(len(data["Lot Area"]))])
w = np.linalg.lstsq(A.T,data["SalePrice"])[0]
line = w[0]*data["Lot Area"] +w[1] # regression line
#CDF for the Lot Area:
n counts, bin edges = np.histogram(data["Lot Area"],bins=40,normed=True)
cdf = np.cumsum(n_counts) # cdf not normalized, despite above
scale = 1.0/cdf[-1]
ncdf = scale * cdf
```

Hello statistics!

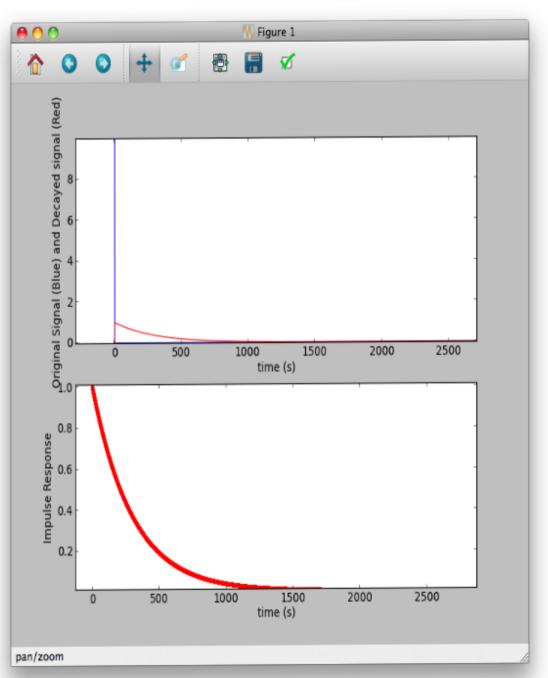


And I can't afford MATLAB's Signal Processing Toolbox!

Hello signal processing!

http://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/signal.html

```
#...Code continued from previous slide
plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
plt.plot(h times, impulse function, 'b-')
plt.plot(system_output_t, system_output, 'r-')
plt.xlabel('time (s)')
plt.ylabel('Original Signal (Blue) and Decayed
signal (Red)')
plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
plt.plot(h_times,
impulse response/impulse response.max(), 'r.-')
plt.xlabel('time (s)')
plt.ylabel('Impulse Response')
#
plt.show()
```



Hello signal processing!

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```
import numpy as np
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
from scipy import signal
tau = 5.0*60 # 5 minutes
h times = np.arange(0.0, 10*tau, 0.1)
impulse_function = len(h_times)*[0]
impulse function[1] = 10
#Simple first order system model. Example = X = Xo * e^{-t/T}
#Physical examples: Voltage in a capacitor in an RC circuit, temperature of a
cooling off pot of water
sys = signal.lti(1,[1, 1/tau]) #Signal with a 1/t decay, like a swinging door
#2 ways to simulate the same basic dynamic
#1. we can simulate an input and plot the output (more general cases)
system_output_t, system_output, system_output_state_vector = signal.lsim(sys,
impulse_function, h_times)
#2. Or, we can use the LTI class to just ask for an impulse response
impulse_response = sys.impulse(T=h_times)[1]
```