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The program



- Move through each of the topics in the outline
- For each topic there will be:
 - A presentation by me
 - A "type along" session, where we type the new things together
 - A few exerciser (the exercises are meant mainly for typing repetition, so most are simple)



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The ecosystem for scientific computing in Python



- numpy arrays and math functions
 - polynomials, sin, exp, etc.
- scipy algorithms for arrays
 - fitting, smoothing, searching, FFT, etc...
- matplotlib plotting
- scitkits SciPy toolkits
 - scikit-learn: Machine learning
 - scikit-parse: Sparse matrices

• ...

The core

Many more extra packages



- sympy symbolic manipulation
- Imfit for better controlled least squares fit
- pandas for data munging
- seaborne for quick correlation plotting
- more on https://wiki.python.org/moin/NumericAndScientific

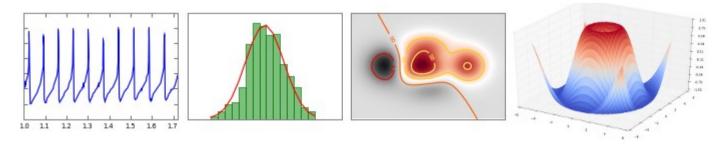


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matplotlib



 "matplotlib is a python 2D plotting library which produces publication quality figures in a variety of hardcopy formats and interactive environments across platforms. matplotlib can be used in python scripts, the python and ipython shell (ala MATLAB®* or Mathematica®†), web application servers, and six graphical user interface toolkits."



matplotlib

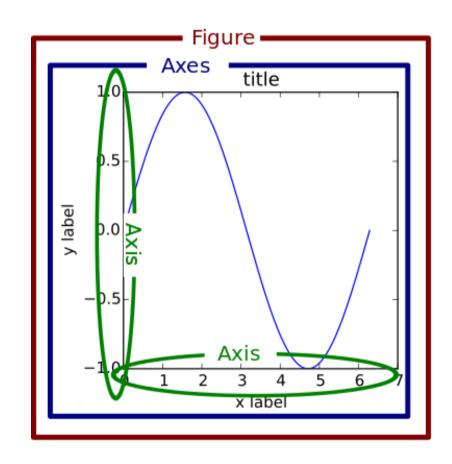


- matplotlib is incredibly features rich
- Many different types of plots
- Publication quality figures
- Can be created scripted
 - Which is good for reproducability
 - And bad for manual fidling with e.g. arrows
- http://matplotlib.org/

Anatomy of a figure



- Figure is the whole thing
 - Can contain subplots
- Axes if the single plot object
- Axis used to set limits etc.
- Inside are Line2D



http://matplotlib.org/faq/usage_faq.html

matplotlib and matlab



- matplotlib was created with inspiration from matlab
- Attempt to provide drop-in-replacement
- The has a few negative consequences from a python point of view:
 - matplotlib count from 1 ...
 - Extrensive use of get set instead of properties



 Two entry points for usage (the two faces of matplotlib)

pyplot



- pyplot is a module witin matplotlib
- Resemble Matlab plotting as closely as possible
- pyplot is a state machine
 - It holds the figure objects for you
 - Has a notion about "the current figure"
 - All action performed with pyplot works on the current figure

pyplot



```
from matplotlib.pyplot import pyplot as plt
# plt contains the figure and axes
plt.plot([1, 2, 3], [4, 3, 5], label='First line')
# Creates the legend
plt.legend()
# Titles and labels
plt.title('The title')
plt.xlabel('The xlabel')
plt.ylabel('The ylabel')
plt.show()
```

pyplot only as start (object oriented)



```
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
figure = plt.figure()
axes = figure.add subplot(111)
axes.plot([1, 2, 3], [4, 3, 5], label='First line')
axes.legend()
axes.set title('The title')
axes.set xlabel('The xlabel')
axes.set ylabel('The ylabel')
plt.show()
```

Next to one another ...



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On the two faces



- Some more advanced functionality is only available in object orinted style
- We already know that everything is an object
- Pull them out and use them

- Recommend to use the object oriented style
- But will not outright say that pyplot style is a bad idea
- Examples online exist in both

Docs



• Pyplot reference:

http://matplotlib.org/api/pyplot_summary.html

Object oriented:

Axes: http://matplotlib.org/api/axes_api.html

Fugure: http://matplotlib.org/api/figure_api.html

Subplots



- Ability to create several axes
- Use three integers e.g. 121
 - num_rows, num_columns, num_figure
- Written as just on integer
- Or string
- plt.subplot(211) # pyplot
- figure.add_subplot(211) # object orient
- Both pyplot and figure has tight_layout() which is usefull

matplotlib – Type along



Type along session in the terminal: matplotlib

Types - Exercises



- With both examples, experiment with:
 - modifying line style and color
 - line width

Make a figure with two axes (sub plots) in it
 You will probably find tight_layout() useful



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scipy



- "Fundamental library for scientific computing"
- Basically algorithms to work on arrays
 - Special functions
 - Integration
 - Optimization
 - Interpolation
 - Fourier transform
 - Linear algebra
 - Statistics
 - •

scipy docs



- Get the version: scipy.__version__
- http://docs.scipy.org/doc/

scipy



- Is fairly extensive
- To find an algorithm
 - Start with google
 - Then go to the documentation to figure out what it does
- Ex: polyfit



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Examples



- Databases and general fitting
 - Welcome back Robert
- Specific fitting and cutting
- Organzing code and making it look good



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The iPython notebook



- Is yet another way to run Python code
- In a browser (but with local files)
- Runs of a local server
- Provides a mathematica like "notebook" interface
- Very popular, lots of on-line documentation

iPython notebook – Type along



Type along session in the terminal: iPython notebook



Summary

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- Matplotlib is powerful
 - Publication quality figures
 - Fast plotting on-the-fly
 - But has to faces
- Scipy has a lot of extra algorithms
 - Go look for them
- The iPython notebook is a fun new way to use Python
 - Have a look at it

