SciPy

Data Analytics in Python

The SciPy Stack

SciPy is a Python-based ecosystem of libraries and tools for scientific computing and data analytics

- ▶ iPython
- Jupyter notebooks
- Numpy
- Pandas
- Matplotlib

iPython is the primary way of interacting with the SciPy stack – whether through the shell or a Jupyter notebook – so we'll learn iPython first

*i*Python

Two modes:

- ► Interactive shell
 - Replacement for python REPL
- ► Jupyter notebook
 - ▶ Interactive documents mixing text, executable code, graphics

iPython Shell History

```
In [1]: ['Sage', 'Thyme', 'Oragano', 'Posh']
Out[1]: ['Sage', 'Thyme', 'Oragano', 'Posh']
In [2]: type(In[1])
Out[2]: str
In [3]: type(Out[1])
Out[3]: list
In [4]: spices = Out[1]
In [5]: spices
Out[5]: ['Sage', 'Thyme', 'Oragano', 'Posh']
In [6]: spices is Out[1]
Out[6]: True
```

In is a list, Out is a dict.

iPython Help

Single ? gives abbeviated version of python's help

```
In [7]: def add(a, b):
    ...: """Return the result of + operation on a and b"""
    ...: return a + b
    ...:
In [8]: add?
Signature: add(a, b)
Docstring: Return the result of + operation on a and b
File: "/cs2316/<ipython-input-7-af5293282e78>
Type: function
```

Double ?? gives source code, if available.

iPython Magic Commands

Special commands provided by iPython, prepended by %.

▶ Run a Python script from within iPython:

```
In [35]: %run people.py

[<Stan, 2008-08-13, 150cm, 45kg>,

<Kyle, 2008-02-25, 160cm, 50kg>,

<Cartman, 2008-05-26, 140cm, 100kg>,

<Kenny, 2009-07-30, 130cm, 40kg>]
```

► Get help with a magic command with ?

```
In [2]: %cd?
Docstring:
Change the current working directory.

This command automatically maintains an internal list of directories you visit during your IPython session, in the variable _dh. The command %dhist shows this history nicely formatted. You can also do 'cd -<tab>' to see directory history conveniently.

Usage:

cd 'dir': changes to directory 'dir'.
(additional output elided)
```

Get a list of all magic commands with %1smagic

iPython Shell Commands

Run shell commands by prepending with a !

```
In [27]: !ls *.py
fun.py    grades.py maths.py people.py pp.py
In [28]: pyscripts = !ls *.py
In [29]: pyscripts
Out[29]: ['fun.py', 'grades.py', 'maths.py', 'people.py', 'pp.py']
```

iPython provides magic commands for most common shell commands.

iPython Direcotry Bookmarking

Great timesaving feature: bookmark directories

```
In [3]: %pwd
Out[3]: '/home/chris/vcs/github.com/cs2316/cs2316.github.io/code'
In [4]: %cd
/home/chris
In [5]: %bookmark cs2316code ~chris/vcs/github.com/cs2316/cs2316.github.io/code
In [6]: cd cs2316code
(bookmark:cs2316code) -> ~chris/vcs/github.com/cs2316/cs2316.github.io/code
/home/chris/vcs/github.com/cs2316/cs2316.github.io/code
```

iPython Automagic commands

With automagic turned on, some shell commands can be run as if they were built into iPython:

```
In [22]: pwd
Out[22]: '/Users/chris/cs2316'
In [23]: ls *.py
fun.py grades.py maths.py people.py pp.py
```

- ► Toggle automagic on and off with %automagic.
- ▶ These commands work with automagic:
 - %cd, %cat, ~ %cp~,~ %env~, ~ %ls~, ~ %man~, ~ %mkdir~, ~ %more~, ~ %mv~, ~ %pwd~, ~ %rm~, and %rmdir

iPython Developement Tools

▶ Timing code with %time and %timeit

```
In [23]: import numpy as np
In [24]: pylist = list(range(1, 100000))
In [25]: nparray = np.arange(1, 1000000)
In [35]: %timeit _ = [x * 2 for x in pylist]
100 loops, best of 3: 7.89 ms per loop
In [37]: %timeit _ = nparray.copy() * 2
100 loops, best of 3: 3.76 ms per loop
```

- ▶ Profiling with %prun
- ▶ Interactive debugging wity %debug and %pdb

Plotting in iPython

Jupyter Notebooks