Relevant Python modules: Numpy

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Motivations

Python does not cover the data structures normally used in science and technology work.

Numpy comes in to support data manipulation of n-dimensional arrays.

Extensive library of functions to reshape data.

Comprehensive collection of mathematical operations.

```
pip install numpy

default with Anaconda
```

Arrays

A computer version of vectors and matrices: sequence of uniform-type values with indexing mechanism by integers.

Numpy arrays have methods, applied element-wise, and functions that take into account the position of each element in the array.

```
import numpy as np

# nr from 2 to 20 (excl.) with step 2

b = np.arange(2, 20, 2)

b
```

```
array([ 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18])
```

element-wise operations
2*b

array([4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 28, 32, 36])

cumulative step-by-step sum
b.cumsum()

array([2, 6, 12, 20, 30, 42, 56, 72, 90])

Lists vs. Arrays

Same indexing notation:

mylist[0]
mylistoflists[0][1]

A list is a generic sequence of heterogenous objects.

So, strings, numbers, characters, file name, URLs can be all mixed up!

An array is a sequence of strictly-homogenous objects, normally int or float

myarray[1]
mymatrix[1][3]

Notation

```
1-dimension: an array (a line of numbers): [1, 23, ...]
2-dimensions: a matrix (a table of numbers) [ [1, 23, ...], [14, 96, ...], ...]
3-dimensions: a tensor (a box/cube/cuboid) of numbers: [ [1, 23, ...], [14, 96, ...], ...]
```

2-D Numpy Arrays

(2, 8)

Axes

Numpy arrays can have multiple dimensions.

Unlike Pandas, not specifying the axis will apply a function to the entire array.

Shapes

Using information about the shape we can create/manipulate (or reshape, or transpose) Numpy variables.

```
# Create 2x3 Numpy array and initialise it to 0s
e = np.zeros((2, 3), dtype = 'i')
e
```

```
array([[0, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0]], dtype=int32)
# Change the shape
e.reshape(3, 2)
array([[0, 0],
       [0, 0],
       [0, 0]], dtype=int32)
# Take another array to infer shape
f = np.ones_like(e, dtype = 'i')
f
array([[1, 1, 1],
       [1, 1, 1]], dtype=int32)
# Transposition
f.T
array([[1, 1],
       [1, 1],
       [1, 1]], dtype=int32)
```

Stacking

2-D arrays with the same dimensions can be merged

```
# Create an identity matrix of order 5
i = np.eye(5)
i
```

```
array([[1., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 1., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 0., 1.]
# stacking combines two 2-d arrays: vertically
np.vstack((i, i))
array([[1., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 1., 0., 0., 0.]
       [0., 0., 1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 0., 1.],
       [1., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 1., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 0., 1.]])
# stacking combines two 2-d arrays: horizontally
np.hstack((i, i))
array([[1., 0., 0., 0., 0., 1., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 1., 0., 0., 0., 0., 1., 0., 0., 0.]
       [0., 0., 1., 0., 0., 0., 0., 1., 0., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 1., 0., 0., 0., 0., 1., 0.],
       [0., 0., 0., 0., 1., 0., 0., 0., 0., 1.]])
```

Detour: N-dimensional arrays

Numpy can handle multiple dimensions.

This is useful when dealing with multivariate data, from time series to documents.

Two samples, each with three rows and four columns.

Slicing by Boolean filters

Data can be selected according to specific conditions.

The Boolean filter itself can be represented by a Numpy array

```
1 = np.array([np.arange(9)])
1
array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]])
1.reshape((3, 3))
1
array([[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]])
# Let's apply a high-pass filter
1[1>4]
```

```
array([5, 6, 7, 8])
# Generate a Boolean array (False=0, True=1)

(l>4).astype(int)

array([[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1]])
```

From Numpy to Pandas: where()

Even though Pandas is built on Numpy, where() has a distinct semantics Numpy allows specifying the respective action associated to True and False

```
1 = np.array([np.arange(9)])
1 = 1.reshape((3, 3))
1

array([[0, 1, 2],
        [3, 4, 5],
        [6, 7, 8]])

# If True then make it double, else halve it

np.where(1<5, 1*2, 1/2)

array([[0. , 2. , 4. ],
        [6. , 8. , 2.5],
        [3. , 3.5, 4. ]])</pre>
```

In Pandas, when False we assign n/a

Numpy func. to Pandas objects

```
import pandas as pd

# l is a Numpy matrix which readily interoperates with Pandas
my_df = pd.DataFrame(l, columns=['A', 'B', 'C'])
my_df
```

```
A B C

0 0 1 2

1 3 4 5

2 6 7 8
```

```
\label{eq:continuous} \begin{tabular}{ll} $\tt\# Extract the square root of each el. of column B (NB: my_df remains unchanged) \\ np.sqrt(my_df.B) \end{tabular}
```

```
0 1.000000
1 2.000000
```

2 2.645751

Name: B, dtype: float64

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