Importing Data

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Importing Data in Python

Most of the time, you'll use either NumPy or pandas to import your data:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> import pandas as pd
```

Help

```
>>> np.info(np.ndarray.dtype)
>>> help(pd.read csv)
```

Text Files

Plain Text Files

```
>>> filename = 'huck finn.txt'
>>> file = open(filename, mode='r')
                                            Open the file for reading
>>> text = file.read()
                                            Read a file's contents
                                            Check whether file is closed
>>> print(file.closed)
>>> file.close()
                                            Close file
>>> print(text)
```

Using the context manager with

```
>>> with open('huck finn.txt', 'r') as file:
         print(file.readline())
                                                 Read a single line
         print(file.readline())
         print(file.readline())
```

Table Data: Flat Files

Importing Flat Files with numpy

Files with one data type

```
>>> filename = 'mnist.txt'
>>> data = np.loadtxt(filename,
                                              String used to separate values
                           delimiter='
                           skiprows=2,
                                              Skip the first 2 lines
                                              Read the 1st and 3rd column
                           usecols=[0,2],
                           dtype=str)
                                              The type of the resulting array
```

Files with mixed data types

```
>>> filename = 'titanic.csv
>>> data = np.genfromtxt(filename,
                           delimiter=','
                           names=True,
                                           Look for column header
                           dtvpe=None)
```

>>> data array = np.recfromcsv(filename)

The default dtype of the np.recfromcsv() function is None.

Importing Flat Files with pandas

```
>>> filename = 'winequality-red.csv'
>>> data = pd.read csv(filename,
                          nrows=5,
                                             Number of rows of file to read
                          header=None,
                                             Row number to use as col names
                           sep='\t',
                                             Delimiter to use
                          comment='#'
                                             Character to split comments
                          na values=[""])
                                             String to recognize as NA/NaN
```

```
>>> file = 'urbanpop.xlsx'
>>> data = pd.ExcelFile(file)
>>> df sheet2 = data.parse('1960-1966',
                            skiprows=[0],
                            names=['Country',
                                   'AAM: War(2002)'])
>>> df sheet1 = data.parse(0,
                            parse cols=[0],
                            skiprows=[0],
                            names=['Country'])
```

To access the sheet names, use the sheet names attribute:

```
>>> data.sheet names
```

SAS Files

```
>>> from sas7bdat import SAS7BDAT
>>> with SAS7BDAT('urbanpop.sas7bdat') as file:
        df sas = file.to data frame()
```

Stata Files

```
>>> data = pd.read stata('urbanpop.dta')
```

Relational Databases

```
>>> from sqlalchemy import create engine
>>> engine = create engine('sqlite://Northwind.sqlite')
```

Use the table names () method to fetch a list of table names:

```
>>> table names = engine.table names()
```

Querving Relational Databases

```
>>> con = engine.connect()
>>> rs = con.execute("SELECT * FROM Orders")
>>> df = pd.DataFrame(rs.fetchall())
>>> df.columns = rs.keys()
>>> con.close()
```

Using the context manager with

```
>>> with engine.connect() as con:
        rs = con.execute("SELECT OrderID FROM Orders")
        df = pd.DataFrame(rs.fetchmany(size=5))
        df.columns = rs.keys()
```

Querying relational databases with pandas

```
>>> df = pd.read sql query("SELECT * FROM Orders", engine)
```

Exploring Your Data

NumPy Arrays

```
>>> data array.dtype
                                          Data type of array elements
>>> data array.shape
                                          Array dimensions
>>> len(data array)
                                          Length of array
```

pandas DataFrames

```
>>> df.head()
                                           Return first DataFrame rows
>>> df.tail()
                                           Return last DataFrame rows
>>> df.index
                                           Describe index
>>> df.columns
                                           Describe DataFrame columns
>>> df.info()
                                           Info on DataFrame
>>> data arrav = data.values
                                           Convert a DataFrame to an a NumPy array
```

Pickled Files

```
>>> import pickle
>>> with open('pickled fruit.pkl', 'rb') as file:
        pickled data = pickle.load(file)
```

HDF5 Files

```
>>> import h5pv
>>> filename = 'H-H1 LOSC 4 v1-815411200-4096.hdf5'
>>> data = h5py.File(filename, 'r')
```

Matlab Files

```
>>> import scipy.io
>>> filename = 'workspace.mat'
>>> mat = scipy.io.loadmat(filename)
```

Exploring Dictionaries

Accessing Elements with Functions

```
>>> print(mat.keys())
                                      Print dictionary keys
>>> for key in data.keys():
                                      Print dictionary keys
         print(key)
meta
quality
>>> pickled data.values()
                                      Return dictionary values
>>> print(mat.items())
                                      Returns items in list format of (key, value)
```

Accessing Data Items with Keys

```
>>> for key in data ['meta'].keys()
                                                  Explore the HDF5 structure
         print (key)
Description
DescriptionURL
Detector
Duration
GPSstart
Observatory
Type
>>> print (data['meta']['Description'].value) Retrieve the value for a key
```

Navigating Your FileSystem

Magic Commands

```
!ls
                                  List directory contents of files and directories
%cd ..
                                 Change current working directory
                                 Return the current working directory path
%pwd
```

os Librarv

```
>>> import os
>>> path = "/usr/tmp"
>>> wd = os.getcwd()
                                 Store the name of current directory in a string
                                 Output contents of the directory in a list
>>> os.listdir(wd)
>>> os.chdir(path)
                                 Change current working directory
>>> os.rename("test1.txt"
                                 Rename a file
                 "test2.txt"
                                Delete an existing file
>>> os.remove("test1.txt")
                                 Create a new directory
>>> os.mkdir("newdir")
```

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