Lecture 9

Introduction to Statistics in Python

Workshop 3 Review

Review: What have you learned so far?

How to do simple math and algebra

How to write functions and loops

How to work with data



What's Next...



- Now that we can import and manipulate data
 - We need to be able to analyze and interpret it

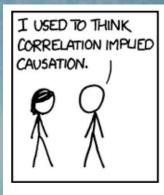
- To do that we use statistics
 - Luckily, this is something python is built for

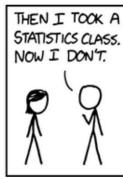
Pre-made and Easy: Mean and standard deviation

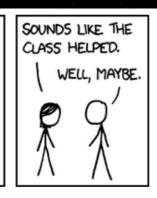
Numpy has made this part easy for you

No need to memorize any formulas

Mean = np.mean()

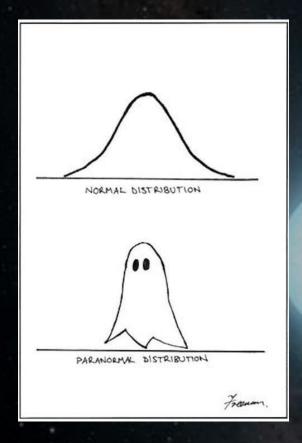






Standard Deviation = np.std()

What else can numpy do for you?



Different pre-made numpy functions:

Maximum = np.max()

Minimum = np.min()

Median = np.median()

 More found at <u>https://numpy.org/doc/stable/reference/routines.statistics.html</u>

Let us Introduce You to Scipy

 Another new python package (numpy, pandas, etc.)

 Used for statistics and data modeling

 Will be your best friend when you need to start fitting data to specific models



Randomness in Python

- As we have already seen, python has a lot of built in functions to simulate randomness
 - Example: np.random.rand()
- We also have access to functions that create random distributions of particular shapes (gaussian, poissonian, etc.)
- As we will see today, it generating these data sets can be a very useful way to solve problems





Monte Carlo Techniques

 Computational techniques that use random sampling to obtain a result

The more samples the better the final estimate will be

Ex: Molecular Modeling, galaxy evolution modeling



Coding Demo Time