# **Practice with NumPy**

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# **Learning Objectives**

After this lesson, students will be able to

- Generate NumPy arrays from the contents of files
- Traverse NumPy arrays with loops
- Visualize the contents of NumPy arrays with matplotlib

## Check-in

- Homework 3 due Friday (start early!)
- Come to office hours or post on discussion board if you have issues
- Homework 4 will be posted on Friday (smaller problem plus creative programming)

## Framing the Problem

Today, work an example that will allow us to practice with NumPy and plotting.

**Objective:** Post-process and visualize data from an Acoustic Doppler Velocimeter (ADV):

- Measures fluid velocity at a point using reflections of acoustic "pings"
- Measures X, Y, and 2 estimates of Z velocity (Z1 and Z2)

#### **Provided text files:**

- vectrinoData.txt contains raw data output from the sensor
  - First column: Timestamps (s)
  - Columns 2-5: Beam velocities (m/s)
  - Columns 6-9: Beam amplitudes
  - Columns 10-13: Beam correlation as integer between 0 and 255 (255 = perfect correlation)
- vectrinoTransform.txt contains a 4x4 coordinate transformation matrix for transforming from beam coordinates to XYZ coordinates

#### Post processing pipeline:

- Import data
- Filter readings with correlations below a certain % threshold
- Convert beam velocities to XYZ
- Plot filtered and unfiltered velocities

## 1) Pseudocode

Our pseudocode is essentially the post processing pipeline!

# 2) Write function for importing the data

NumPy provides a handy function for importing simple text data: numpy.loadtxt

```
In [ ]: np.info(np.loadtxt)
```

Let's use this to import the data. Since this is a distinct task, define a function:

• (Note, we need to specify the delimiter or else we get an error)

```
def importData(dataFile):
In [ ]:
            Given a Vectrino data file, extracts and returns timestamps, beam
            velocities, and beam correlations.
            Parameters
            dataFile : str
               Name of the Vectrino .txt file
            Returns
            timeStamps: numpy array of floats
               Timestamp for each sample, in seconds.
           beamVels : numpy array of floats
               nx4 array of velocity readings, in m/s. Rows represent samples,
               columns represent each beam.
            beamCorr : numpy array of floats
                nx4 array of beam correlations, in %. Rows represent samples, columns
                represent each beam.
            # Import full data matrix
```

```
allData = np.loadtxt(dataFile, delimiter=',')

# Extract quantities of interest
timeStamps = allData[:,0]
beamVels = allData[:,1:5]
beamCorr = allData[:,9:] / 255 * 100

return timeStamps, beamVels, beamCorr
```

```
In [ ]: timeStamps, beamVels, beamCorr = importData('vectrinoData.txt')
    print(beamVels)
```

# 3) Write function for cleaning velocity

Let's think about this a bit more (draw on board):

- We want to throw out all readings for a given sample if the correlation on any beam is less than a threshold
- For each beam, we want to replace those readings with linear interpolation based on the surrounding "good" points

#### Take 1 min to pseudocode this

#### Code it up:

- Use np.any to consider entire rows as "bad" if one element is "bad".
- Use np.interp to perform interpolation.
- Add threshold as optional parameter because maybe we want to change it!

```
In []: def cleanVelocity(timeStamps, beamVel, beamCorr, corrThresh=75):
    '''
    Given Vectrino time stamps, beam velocities, beam correlations, removes
    readings where the correlation on any beam is below a specified threshold,
    and replaces them via linear interpolation of the surrounding points.
    The cleaned velocities are returned.

Parameters
-----
timeStamps: numpy array of floats
    Timestamp for each sample, in seconds.
beamVels: numpy array of floats
    nx4 array of velocity readings, in m/s. Rows represent samples,
    columns represent each beam.
beamCorr: numpy array of floats
    nx4 array of beam correlations, in %. Rows represent samples, columns
```

```
represent each beam.
    corrThresh : float, optional
        Threshold (as a percentage) at and below which readings are replaced via linear
        interpolation. The default is 75.
    Returns
    cleanVel : numpy array of floats
        nx4 array of velocity readings with "bad" readings replaced, in m/s.
        Rows represent samples, columns represent each beam.
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    # Identify "bad" readings
    badReading = beamCorr <= corrThresh</pre>
    badRows = np.any(badReading, axis=1) # If an element of a row is false, the whole ro
    # Preallocate matrix for filtered readings
    cleanVel = np.zeros(beamVel.shape)
    nBeams = beamVel.shape[-1]
    for i in range(nBeams): # For each beam of the Vectrino
        # Pull out "good" points to base interpolation on
        goodTime = timeStamps[~badRows]
        goodVel = beamVel[~badRows, i]
        # Interpolate all time stamps with good time stamps as basis
        cleanVel[:,i] = np.interp(timeStamps, goodTime, goodVel)
    return cleanVel
beamVel = cleanVelocity(timeStamps, beamVels, beamCorr)
```

# 4) Write a function for performing the coordinate transformation

First, we need to import the transformation matrix (use np.loadtxt again).

```
In [ ]: tMat = np.loadtxt('vectrinoTransform.txt', delimiter=',')
```

Now perform the transformation.

- Coordinate transformation -> matrix product
- Transformation matrix usually operates on column vector (where rows are unique dimenisons).
- But here, the columns are unique dimensions

So how do we apply it?

- Use @ operator to perform matrix multiplication
- Transpose beam velocities to match convention we are used to for rotation matrices
- Transpose back so that matrix is shaped how we expect

```
beamVels: numpy array of floats
    nx4 array of velocity readings in beam coordinates. Rows represent
    samples, columns represent each beam.

tMat: numpy array of floats
    Coordinate transformation matrix for beam to xyz, as a 4x4 matrix.

Returns
-----
numpy array of floats
    nx4 array of velocity readings in xyz coordinates. Rows represent
    samples, columns represent each beam (X, Y, Z1, Z2).

'''
xyzVels = tMat @ beamVels.T
return xyzVels.T
```

## 5) Put it all together!

```
In []: import numpy as np

# Define data files
dataFile = 'vectrinoData.txt'
transformFile = 'vectrinoTransform.txt'

# Import data from these files
time, beamVel, beamCorr = importData(dataFile)

# Clean velocity time series based on correlation values
beamFilt = cleanVelocity(time, beamVel, beamCorr, corrThresh=95)

# Import transformation matrix and apply coordinate transformation
tMat = np.loadtxt(transformFile, delimiter=',')
vel = coordinateTransform(beamVel, tMat)
velFilt = coordinateTransform(beamFilt, tMat)
```

## 6) Plot using matplotlib

Plotting package provides simple plotting interface (we'll do a deep dive later in the quarter)

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
In [ ]:
        def plotVelocity(time, vel, velFilt, coordInd):
            Plots a time series of the measured velocity (both filtered and unfiltered)
            in the given coorindate direction
            Parameters
            time : numpy vector of floats
               Time stamps of each velocity reading, in seconds
            vel : numpy array of floats
               nx4 array of raw velocity readings in beam coordinates. Rows represent
                samples, columns represent each beam.
            velFilt : numpy array of floats
               nx4 array of filtered velocity readings in beam coordinates. Rows represent
                samples, columns represent each beam.
            coordInd : int
                Integer that represents which coordinate direction to plot:
```

```
0 = X
        1 = Y
        2 = Z1
        3 = Z2
Returns
None.
# Generate plot of velocity in given coordinate direction
plt.figure()
plt.plot(time, vel[:,coordInd])
plt.plot(time, velFilt[:,coordInd])
plt.grid()
plt.xlabel('Time [s]')
plt.ylabel('Velocity [m/s]')
plt.legend(['Unfiltered', 'Filtered'])
# Generate text for title based on coordinate index
coords = ['X', 'Y', 'Z1', 'Z2']
plt.title('Velocity in ' + coords[coordInd] + ' direction')
```

## 8) Compare the results with data cleaning to those without

Adjust correlation threshold parameter to change how much filtering is imposed on the velocity readings.

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        vel = coordinateTransform(beamVel, tMat)
        velFilt = coordinateTransform(beamFilt, tMat)
        # Plot the velocity in a given direction
       beamInd = 0
        plotVelocity(time, vel, velFilt, beamInd)
```

What if we wanted to use this for several data files? Define a function that performs all of the processing (and, if you want, produces a plot), given a data file as an input. Then pass in each file using a loop.

## Other packages use NumPy!

Many other packages build upon the scientific computing foundation provided by NumPy:

## **Matplotlib**

- Popular plotting package
- MATLAB-like plotting functionality

To import and use Matplotlib, typically import matplotlib.pyplot : the interface that gives us useful scripting commands

## **SciPy**

- "Scientific Python"
- Many useful numerical routines
  - Numerical integration (trapezoidal method, ODE solvers)
  - Root-finding
  - Optimization

## **Scikit-learn**

- Popular machine learning package
- Built on NumPy and SciPy

### **Pandas**

- Useful package for working with tabular data (i.e., spreadsheets)
- More on this next week

In [ ]: