

Introduction to



python

for scientific computing

- Lecture 9


Review last lecture

- More control!
 - variables scope
 - None
 - keyword arguments
 - documentation, comments...
- Pandas

Control loops

- break a loop => stop it

```
for line in file:  
    if line.startswith('#'):  
        break  
    do_something(line)  
  
print("I am done")
```




Control loops

- `continue` => go on to the next iteration

```
for line in file:
    if line.startswith('#'):
        continue
    do_something(line)

print("I am done")
```



Control statements

- pass => do nothing

```
for line in file:
    if len(line) > 40:
        # TODO find out what to do here
        pass
    do_something(line)
```

```
my_list = ['Initial element 1', 'Initial element 2']

def function_returning_values():
    return ['Function element 1', 'Function element 2']

my_list = function_returning_values()
print(my_list)
['Function element 1', 'Function element 2']
```

```
In [52]: my_list = ['Initial element 1', 'Initial element 2']

def function_returning_values():
    my_list = ['Function element 1', 'Function element 2']

function_returning_values()
print(my_list)

['Initial element 1', 'Initial element 2']
```

```
In [54]: my_list = ['Initial element 1', 'Initial element 2']

def function_returning_values(li):
    li = ['Function element 1', 'Function element 2']

my_list = function_returning_values(my_list)
print(my_list)
```

None

`None` means "nothing". Use it to check your variables

```
variable = 0
if variable:
    print('if variable')
if not variable:
    print('if not variable')
if variable is not None:
    print('if variable is not None')
if variable is None:
    print('if variable is None')
if not variable
if variable is not None
```

Keyword arguments

```
open(filename, encoding="utf-8")
```

```
open(file, mode='r', buffering=-1, encoding=None, errors=None, newline=None, cl  
osefd=True, opener=None)
```


Documentation and getting help

- `help(sys)`
- write comments `# why do I do this?`
- write documentation `"""what is this? how do you use it?"""`

Writing readable code

```
def f(a, b):  
    for c in open(a):  
        if c.startswith(b):  
            print(c)
```

==>

```
def print_lines(filename, start):  
    """Print all lines in the file that starts with the given string."""  
    for line in open(filename):  
        if line.startswith(start):  
            print(line)
```

Care about the names of your variables and functions

Pandas

- Read tables

```
dataframe = pandas.read_table('mydata.txt', sep='|', index_col=0)  
dataframe = pandas.read_csv('mydata.csv')
```

- Select rows and columns

```
dataframe.columnname  
dataframe.loc[rowname]  
dataframe.loc[dataframe.age == 20 ]
```

- Plot it

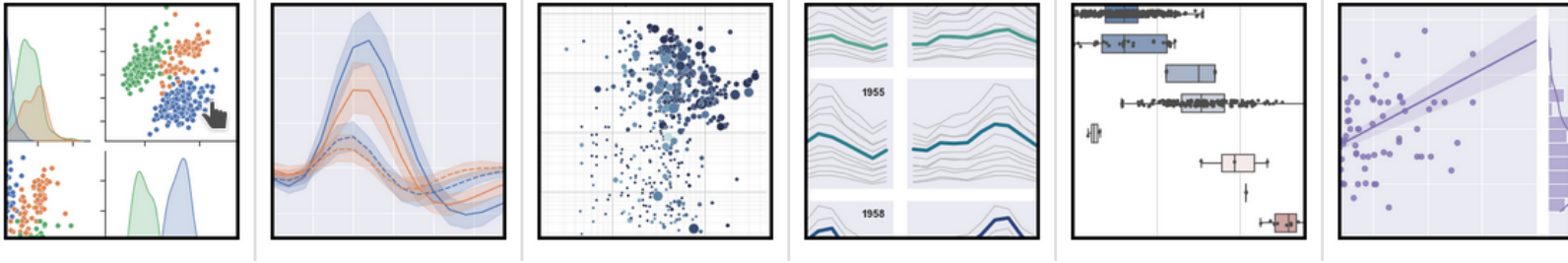
```
dataframe.plot(kind='line', x='column1', y='column2')
```

TODAY

- Plotting (and a bit of numerical computation)
- Regular expressions

Plotting with python

- Hundreds of different ways of plotting the same thing
 - Scatter plots, line plots, bar plots, box plots...
- Different libraries too!
 - pandas, matplotlib, seaborn...

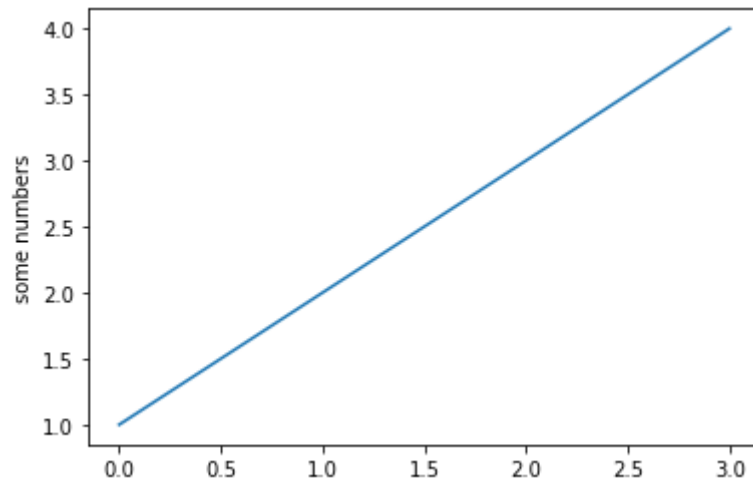


- Let's look at the basics with matplotlib, then you can adapt to your own problem

Basic plot

- Take a list of numbers, plot them on the y axis
- matplotlib will automatically use the index of each number as x

```
In [58]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
plt.plot([1, 2, 3, 4])  
plt.ylabel('some numbers')  
plt.show()
```

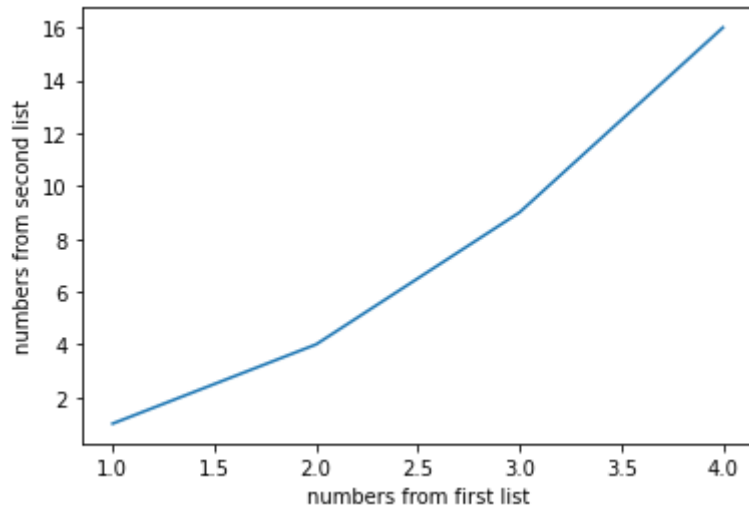


Basic plot

- You might want to specify both x and y, then you pass two lists:

```
In [59]: plt.plot([1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 4, 9, 16])  
plt.xlabel('numbers from first list')  
plt.ylabel('numbers from second list')
```

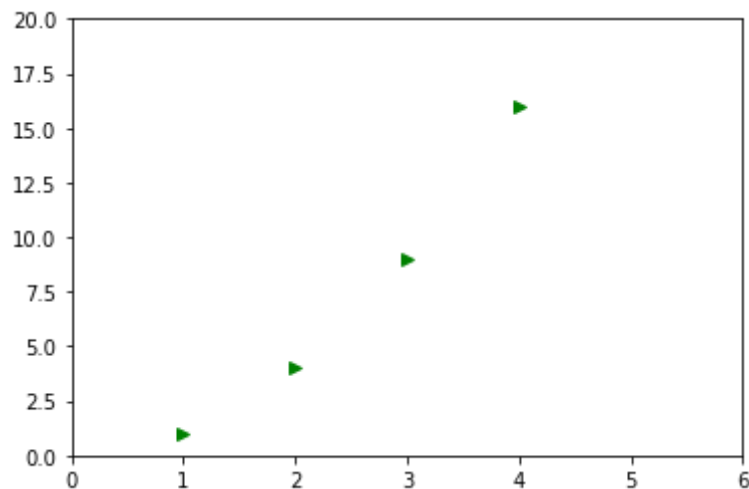
```
Out[59]: Text(0, 0.5, 'numbers from second list')
```



Line style

- Follows matlab notation in a third optional variable
 - [List of markers and colors \(https://matplotlib.org/stable/api/_as_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.plot.html#matplotlib.pyplot.plot\)](https://matplotlib.org/stable/api/_as_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.plot.html#matplotlib.pyplot.plot)
- Limit axes start/end with `.axis(xstart, xend, ystart, yend)`

```
In [61]: plt.plot([1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 4, 9, 16], 'ro') # r -> red o -> circular marker  
plt.axis([0, 6, 0, 20])  
plt.show()
```



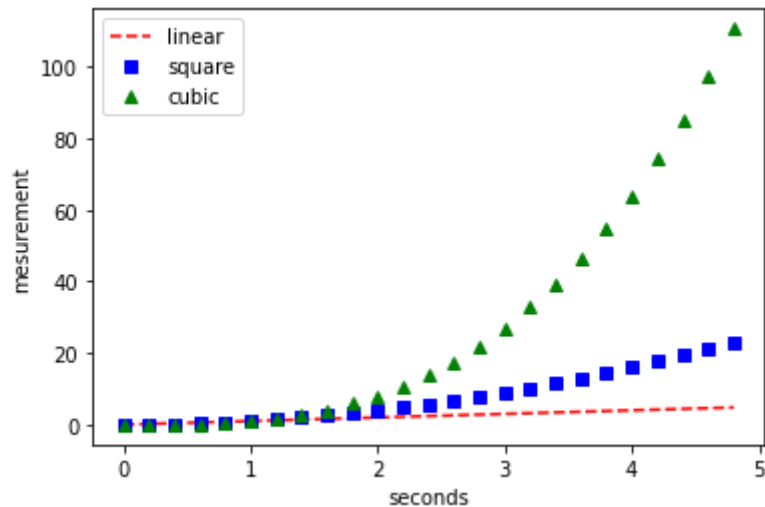
Scientific plotting

- Need to generate finer numeric intervals (not just lists of integers)
 - Uses a new library: [numpy](https://numpy.org/doc/stable/user/absolute_beginners.html) (https://numpy.org/doc/stable/user/absolute_beginners.html)
- Let's say I want to plot a measurement taken every 0.2 seconds
 - x axis: time (0s, 0.2s, 0.4s...)
 - y axis: measurement at that time

```
In [106]: import numpy as np

# evenly sampled time at 200ms intervals
timesteps = np.arange(0., 5., 0.2)

# red dashes, blue squares and green triangles
plt.plot(timesteps, timesteps, 'r--')
plt.plot(timesteps, timesteps**2, 'bs')
plt.plot(timesteps, timesteps**3, 'g^')
plt.legend(["linear", "square", "cubic"])
plt.xlabel("seconds")
plt.ylabel("measurement")
plt.show()
```



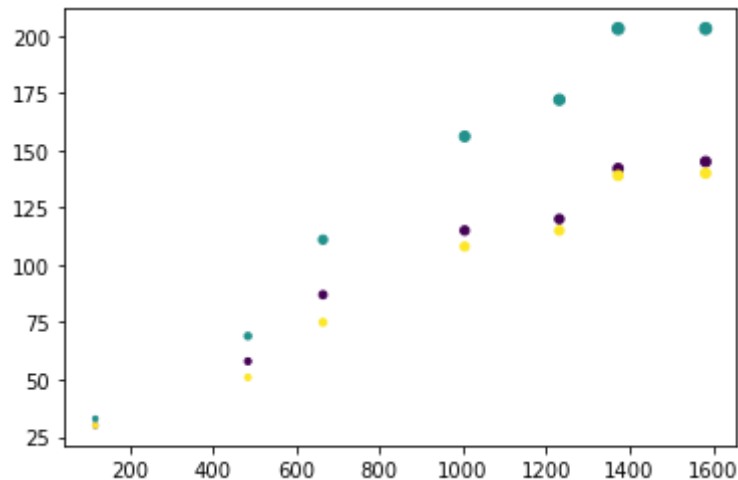
Plotting from dictionaries or dataframes

```
In [105]: import pandas as pd
import math

# trees could also be a dictionary! trees = {"age": [...], "Tree": [...], "circu
mference": [...]}
trees = pd.read_table('../downloads/Orange.tsv')
trees["radius"] = trees["circumference"] / 2.0 / math.pi

plt.scatter("age", "circumference", c="Tree", s="radius", data=trees)
```

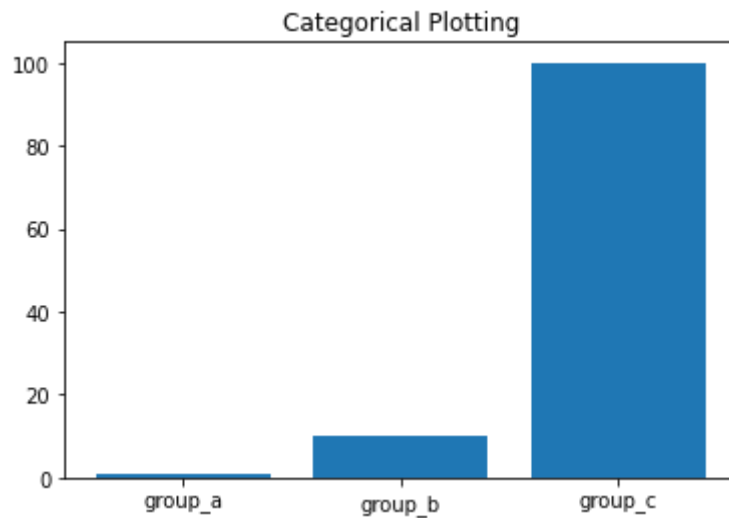
Out[105]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x7f38f96085b0>



Plotting with categorical variables

- You can plot strings (categories) and numbers together

```
In [108]: names = ['group_a', 'group_b', 'group_c']  
values = [1, 10, 100]  
  
plt.bar(names, values)  
#plt.scatter(names, values)  
#plt.plot(names, values)  
plt.title('Categorical Plotting')  
plt.show()
```



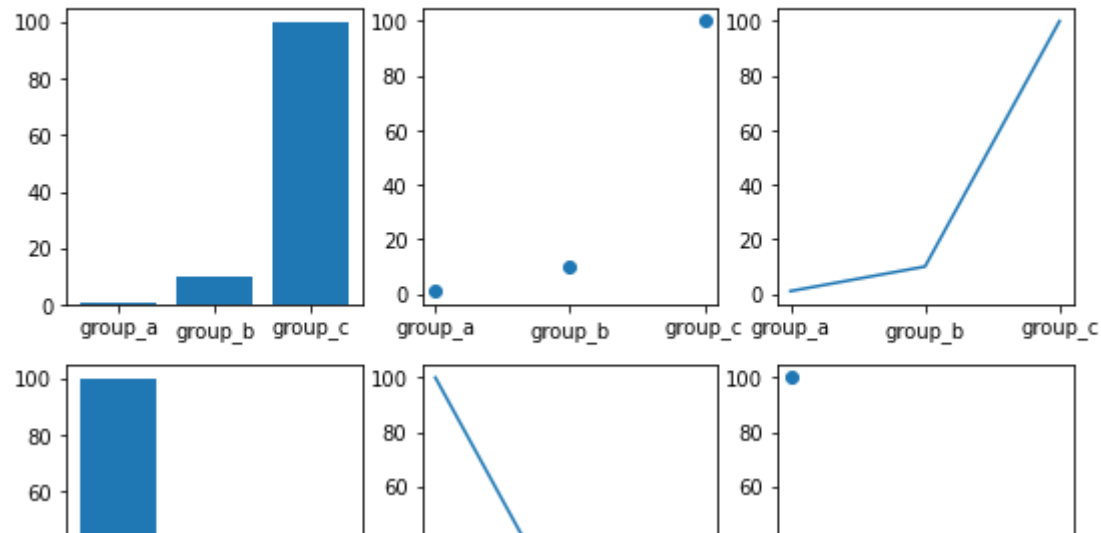
Multiple plots in one (subplots)

- Create a figure
- Create subplots by using a jkl numeric code:
 - j: number of rows
 - k: number of columns
 - l: number of current plot

```
names = ['group_a', 'group_b', 'group_c']
values = [1, 10, 100]
values2 = [100, 10, 1]
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(9, 6))
# 2 rows, 3 columns
plt.subplot(231)
plt.bar(names, values)
plt.subplot(232)
plt.scatter(names, values)
plt.subplot(233)
plt.plot(names, values)
plt.subplot(234)
plt.bar(names, values2)
plt.subplot(235)
plt.plot(names, values2)
plt.subplot(236)
plt.scatter(names, values2)
plt.suptitle('Subplotting')
plt.show()
```

Subplotting



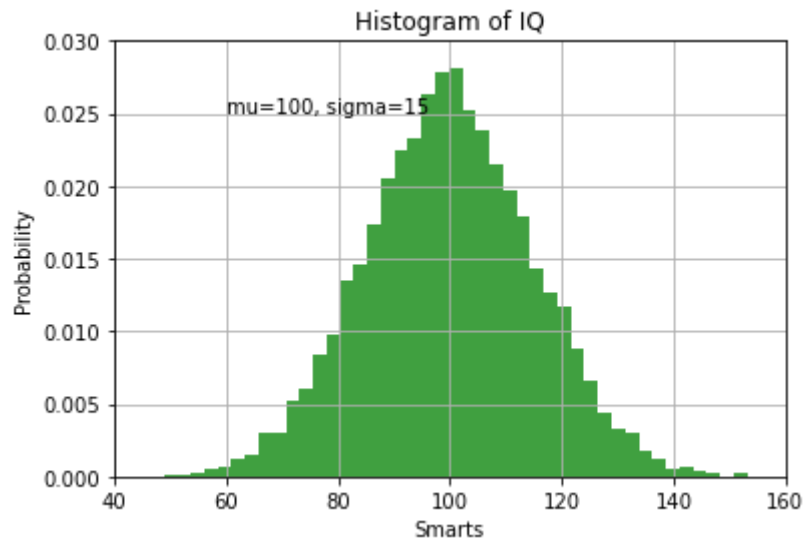
Adding text to plots

- Use `.text()` and specify `x`, `y` position for bottom-left corner of text
- Can also add a title to the plot!


```
In [114]: mu, sigma = 100, 15
# make a gaussian distribution with mean mu, std sigma
samples = mu + sigma * np.random.randn(10000)

# the histogram of the data
n, bins, patches = plt.hist(samples, bins=50, density=True, facecolor='g', alpha=0.75)

plt.xlabel('Smarts')
plt.ylabel('Probability')
plt.title('Histogram of IQ')
plt.text(60, .025, 'mu=100, sigma=15')
plt.axis([40, 160, 0, 0.03])
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



Logarithmic axes

```
In [50]: # make up some exponential data
x = np.arange(10)
y = np.exp(x)

# plot with various axes scales
plt.figure()

# linear
plt.subplot(221)
plt.plot(x, y)
plt.yscale('linear')
plt.title('linear')
plt.grid(True)

# log
plt.subplot(222)
plt.plot(x, y)
plt.yscale('log')
plt.title('log')
plt.grid(True)
```

