Introduction to High Performance Scientific Computing

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Lecture 5

Basic data input/output

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If we run this code and look at output.txt:

```
$ cat output.txt
This is a header for output.txt
x = 2.000, y = 1.000
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```
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#loop through lines in file
for line in infile:
    print line
```

Output:

```
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y = float(words[-1]) #pick out y, convert from string to float
print "y=",y
```

Output: y= 1000.0

Numpy: scientific computing with Python

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- Numpy provides Matlab-like linear algebra capabilities
- With matplotlib, numpy provides Matlab-like visualization
- With scipy, numpy provides tools for differential equations, optimization, and much more...

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3. Use np.arange(start, stop, step) – same as range, generates array instead of a list; does not include "stop" value:

In [121]: z=np.arange(3,14,2)

In [122]: print z
[3 5 7 9 11 13]

Math with arrays

Math works basically as you would expect. A few examples:

```
In [128]: print x
[ 3. 5. 7. 9. 11. 13.]
In [129]: y=x+3
In [130]: print y
[ 6. 8. 10. 12. 14. 16.]
In [131]: print x*3
[ 9. 15. 21. 27. 33. 39.]
In [132]: print x**2
[ 9. 25. 49. 81. 121. 169.]
In [133]: print sin(x)
[0.14112001 -0.95892427 0.6569866 0.41211849 -0.99999021 0.42016704]
```

(What would happen if x was a list?)

Math with arrays

But be careful when making a copy:

```
print x
[ 3 5 7 9 11 13]
In [91]: y=x
In [92]: id(x),id(y)
Out[92]: (4504682688, 4504682688)
```

x and y occupy the same location in memory so changing x can also change y!:

```
In [109]: x[3]=100

In [110]: print x
[ 3 5 7 100 11 13]

In [111]: print y
[ 3 5 7 100 11 13]
```

```
Instead, use y=x.copy()
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```

Analyzing arrays

- Use <tab> completion to see your options: x.<tab>
- A few examples:

```
In [19]: print x
[ 3. 5. 7. 9. 11. 13.]
In [20]: x.sum()
Out[20]: 48.0
In [21]: sum(x)
Out[21]: 48.0
In [22]: print max(x)
13.0
In [23]: print mean(x)
8.0
In [24]: print var(x)
11.6666666667
In [25]: print cumsum(x)
[ 3. 8. 15. 24. 35. 48.]
```

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```
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Example: generate step function

```
In [24]: y=x.copy()

In [25]: y[x>0]=1.0

In [26]: y[x<=0]=0.0

In [27]: print y
[ 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.]
```

First approach -- array of arrays:

```
In [45]: row1 = np.array([1, 3, 5])
```

In [46]: row2 = np.array([2, 4, 6])

In [47]: row3 = np.array([3, 5, 7])

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```
In [57]: print M
[[1 3 5]
[2 4 6]
[3 5 7]]
In [58]: shape(M)
Out[58]: (3, 3)
```

Second approach: meshgrid

```
In [90]: x=np.linspace(0,1,11)
In [91]: y=np.linspace(0,2,6)
In [92]: [xg,yg]=np.meshgrid(x,y)
In [93]: print xg[0:3,0:3]
[[ 0. 0.1 0.2]
[0. 0.1 0.2]
[0. 0.1 0.2]
In [94]: print yg[0:3,0:3]
[[ 0. 0. 0. ]
[0.4 \ 0.4 \ 0.4]
[0.8 \ 0.8 \ 0.8]
```

See also mgrid and ogrid

A few more useful commands are zeros, ones, and eye:

```
In [108]: np.zeros((3,2))
Out[108]:
array([[ 0., 0.],
    [0., 0.],
    [0., 0.]
In [109]: np.ones((3,2))
Out[109]:
array([[ 1., 1.],
    [ 1., 1.],
    [1., 1.]])
In [110]: np.eye(3)
Out[110]:
array([[ 1., 0., 0.],
    [0., 1., 0.],
    [0., 0., 1.]]
```

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dot product:

```
X
Out[116]: array([ 0., 1., 2., 3., 4.])
In [117]: y=x*2
In [118]: print y
[0. 2. 4. 6. 8.]
In [119]: z = dot(x,y)
In [120]: print z
60.0
```

(what will x * y give?)

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matrix-vector:

```
In [129]: print M
[[1 3 5]
[2 4 6]
[3 5 7]]

In [130]: v=array([1, 2, 1])

In [131]: dot(M,v)
Out[131]: array([12, 16, 20])
```

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matrix-matrix:

```
In [148]: print M1
[[1 2]
[3 4]]
In [149]: print M2
[[1 1]]
[2 2]]
In [150]: print dot(M1,M2)
[[5 5]
[11 11]]
In [151]: print dot(M2,M1)
[[ 4 6]
[8 12]]
```

For more standard operations, np.linalg. <tab>

Examples for determinant, inverse, and eigenvalues/eigenvectors:

```
In [20]: det(M1)
Out[20]: -2.0000000000000004
In [21]: inv(M1)
Out[21]:
array([[-2., 1.],
    [ 1.5, -0.5]])
In [22]: [I,v]=eig(M1)
In [23]: print I
[-0.37228132 5.37228132]
In [24]: print v
[[-0.82456484 -0.41597356]
[ 0.56576746 -0.90937671]]
```

Solve Ax=b **using...** solve:

```
In [63]: A
Out[63]:
array([[1, 2],
    [3, 4]])
In [64]: b
Out[64]: array([1, 2])
In [65]: x=solve(A,b)
In [66]: print x
[0. 0.5]
In [67]: print dot(A,x)-b
[0.0.]
```