

## Phys 129 lectures

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### Note to students

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These are my raw, unedited lecture notes. They are intended to remind me what to say during lecture, so you are reading a very terse conversation between me and myself. You will not find good explanations here, though you will find some useful examples. I am providing the notes to you as an index to the course content, so that you can, for example, find where a particular topic is discussed in the recorded lectures. This will work most of the time, but there are places where the order of the material in the recordings is somewhat different than what you see here.

At the beginning of each lecture, you will see the names of the video files in which the corresponding content is covered. You can see the video file names on the course web page by moving the mouse cursor over the lecture links. The time at which a particular topic appears in a recorded lecture is sometimes shown in square brackets, for example like this: [12:46].

**WARNING:** The recorded lectures are from spring 2020, and some of these notes are from before then. While the content they contain is still useful, you must refer to the course web page for the current versions of due dates, assignment guidelines, and course rules and procedures. In addition, some of the programs and hardware discussed in the recordings have been replaced with newer versions.

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1.

=====  
Online:  
    unpack\_rpi.mp4  
    rpi\_install.mp4  
    passwords.mp4  
    homework\_overview.mp4  
=====

Introduction  
    textbooks

attendance required  
lab times, 5223 hours

Install Raspbian  
assemble RPi  
use cover with opening for jumper wires  
insert SD card

run through rpi\_install.txt - stop before update script

shutting down safely

password security  
hash functions (md5, sha1, sha256)  
password hashing and shadow file (salting)

Preview web page

Homework guidelines on course web page  
tar

Homework #1 on course web page  
document password  
preview HW #1

keyboards, mice, monitors  
UCSB surplus

2.

=====  
Online:  
course\_info.mp4  
course\_intro.mp4  
numbers\_and\_files.mp4  
=====

Turn on networking  
Run update script

Intro to 129L presentation

Late hw -10% 24 h, 0 after  
grading

		summer with final exam
attendance	10	10
homework	65	45
final project	25	45

Office hours: Tuesday 5:00-6:00

fixres  
vm

<Ctrl-Alt> F1

Introduction to files  
xxd  
binary numbers  
hexadecimal numbers  
octal numbers  
ASCII

```
cat
less
```

#### Python

```
python3
ipython3
spyder3
```

```
1 + 1
0b111110000
0xf0
bin(240)
hex(240)
oct(240)
0o10
```

```
#####
```

3.

```
=====
Online:
    theshell.mp4
=====
```

```
ls (with options: -a, -l, -F)
type -a
man
    searching in man page
help
```

#### Directories

##### Filesystem

```
pwd
cd
mkdir
rmdir
```

#### Typing tricks

```
tab completion
<ESC>-
history, up and down arrows, !N
.bash_history
```

#### Shell aliases

```
alias foo='echo "Hi there!"'
.bashrc
    # begins shell comments
type -a
```

#### Shell variables, environment variables

```
var='hello there'
echo $var
export FOO='this is foo'
python3
    import os
    a = os.getenv('FOO')
    print(a)
```

```
export var
env
```

Control characters - demonstrate with vi

^D - End of transmission 0x04  
^C - Interrupt  
^Z - Stop process  
    jobs  
    fg  
^S - Pause terminal output (XOFF)  
^Q - Resume terminal output (XON)

cat  
    > (file redirection)  
    >> (append)  
    concatenate using multiple files on command line  
    cat file.txt | cat | cat | rev

Files  
    file  
    cp  
    mv  
    rm  
    less

4.

=====  
Online:  
    more\_shell.mp4  
    flashdrive.mp4  
=====

grep

wc

Pipes  
    ls | grep

Shell wildcards  
    \*  
        ls \*.txt  
        ls /etc/\*.conf  
    ?  
        ls .??\*

File extensions not so important in UNIX

command substitution  
    \$(  
    `  
    cat `ls \*.txt`  
    cat \$(ls \*.txt)

Files, processes, kernel  
    htop  
    ps  
    echo "Hi there!" > /dev/pts/0

Standard input, output, error (file descriptors vs. files)

cat  
    stdin -> stdout  
    takes stdin from command line arguments, more than one possible  
    concatenate

```
grep foo * 2>/dev/null
```

#### Permissions

```
id -a
chmod
sudo
/etc/passwd
/etc/shadow
/etc/group
/dev/snd/*
```

#### PATH

```
run proctemp script from ~
```

#### CDPATH

#### Text editor

```
vi
.vimrc
:r in vi
:r! in vi
```

#### Format flash drives

```
rsync
```

#### Intro to shell scripts

```
#!/bin/sh
clear
echo "Hello, world!"
```

#####

5.

```
=====
Online:
python1.mp4
=====
```

Machine code, assembly language, compiler, interpreter

#### Python scripts

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

#
# hello.py - Say hello
#
# 29Apr19 Everett Lipman
#

print('Hello, world!')
```

#### Comments in code

#### 6 ways to execute Python:

```
interpreter, #!, command line, IDE,
ipython, jupyter
```

#### Implicit and explicit typecasting

```
type()
a = 5
type(a)
b = 5.5
type(b)
```

```

c = 'foo'
type(c)
d = '5.5'
d
x = float(d)
x = float(c) -> error

```

print

```

introduce print formatting
a = 5.5
print('%d' % a)
print('%f' % a)
print('%.3f' % a)

```

```

scientific notation
b = 5.5e10
print('%.3f' % b)

```

```

print('first: %f second: %e' % (a,b))

```

tuples

```

c = (a,b)
print('first: %f second: %e' % c)

```

```

print(..., end='')

```

\n in strings

```

print('Hello\n\nThere\n')

```

formatting need not be inside a print call

```

s = 'The number is %.3f' % 3.1415

```

man 3 printf

dir()

```

a = 5.5
dir(a)
dir(float)
b = 5 + 2j
dir(b)
b.conjugate()

```

import

```

sin(3)
import math
dir(math)
math.sin(3)
from math import *
sin(3)
PYTHONSTARTUP
startup3.py
np.sin(3) - will operate on arrays
np.sin(np.arange(100))

```

Python help()

```

help(np.arange)
help(print)
import math
help(math.sin)
help('modules')

```

PYTHONPATH

6.

```
=====
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  programming1.mp4
=====
```

```
range(), lists, tuples
iterables vs. lists
list()
a = list(range(10))
b = tuple(range(10))
a[3] = 100
b[3] = 100
  tuples immutable

range(1, 6, 1)
a = np.arange(10)
a
b = np.arange(1,100,2)

len()
```

for loops

```
while loops
import time
while True:
    print('still going...')
    time.sleep(0.5)

i = 0
while i < 5:
    i = i + 1
    print(i)
```

input

```
instr = input('string, please: ')
print(instr)
type(instr)
instr = input('number, please: ')
conversion int(), float()
a = int(instr)
type(a)
```

Exit codes

```
ls foo.txt
echo $?
```

subprocess

```
subproc_ls.py
demonstrate in Python shell
```

Functions and methods [33:25]

```
def add(a,b):
    c = a + b
    return(c)
add strings
operator overloading
__add__() method
docstring
```

```

"""', '''
a = """This is a
      multi-line string."""
a
print(a)

```

#### Reading and writing files

```

file_readlines.py
help(open)
careful_write.py
open files for append
with/as
    with open('lines.txt', 'r') as infile:
        lines = infile.readlines()
        print(lines)

    with open('out.txt', 'w') as outfile:
        outfile.write('Hello, file!\n')

```

#### Clarify files vs. file descriptors

```

file is a place to send data to or get data from
disk vs. virtual (in kernel)

```

#### Conditionals

```

1 < 2
1 > 2
i == 6 vs i = 6

for i in range(10):
    print(i)
    if i > 5:
        print('i > 5 !!!')
        break
    else:
        print('i <= 5')

```

```

i = -1
while i <= 5:
    i = i + 1
    print(i)

```

```

if 1 < 2 and True:
    print('hi')

```

```

if 1 < 2 or True:
    print('hi')

```

```

5 // 2 and 5 / 2

```

```

5 % 2

```

#### Python objects [1:14:25]

```

strings
    string methods
    help(str)
    split() with and without argument
        a = 'Hello, there, this is a string.'
        a.split()
        a.split(',')
        a.split('ll')
list methods

```



```

        a = list(range(6))
        dir(a)
        a.reverse()
        a.append()
    in
#####

```

7.

```

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Online:
    programming2.mp4
=====

```

#### Integer overflow

```

r = range(1,10000,2)
list(r)
b = 0
for a in r:
    b = b + a*a
b

```

```

a = np.arange(1,10000,2)
b = a*a
b.sum()  # -837059544 on RPi

```

```

a = np.arange(1, 100000, 2)
type(a[0])  # <class 'numpy.int32'> on RPi
a.dtype
b = np.arange(1, 100000, 2, dtype='int64')
type(b[0])  # <class 'numpy.int64'> on RPi
a.sum()
b.sum()

```

#### Integer calculation with proper size [12:46]

```

a = np.arange(1, 10000, 2, dtype='int64')
b = a*a
b.sum()  # 166666665000 on RPi

```

#### Parallel calculation with numpy

```

a = np.arange(1000000)
b = np.sqrt(a)
never use loops if numpy function can do the job

```

#### Arbitrary precision integers

```

21580943287502943875934 * 42549872943879274
-> 918266394892314543987627518927329991916
918266394892314543987627518927329991916 / 42549872943879274
918266394892314543987627518927329991916 // 42549872943879274

```

#### Floating point numbers

```

binary representation
mantissa, exponent
IEEE 754
float.hex()
def md(x):
    print('%0.55f' % x)

```

```

a = 2.0
a = 4.0
a = 3.5
md(a)

```

```
a.hex()
```

```
a = 0.7
md(a)
a.hex()
'0x1.6666666666666p-1'
= (1 + 6/16 + 6/256 + 6/4096 + ...) * 2{-1}
~= (1 + 0.375 + 0.0234375 + 0.00146484375) * 0.5
= 0.69951171875
```

```
a.as_integer_ratio()
```

```
sys.float_info
print (np.finfo(np.float))
```

Representation error and roundoff error

```
a = [0.1] * 10
a
sum(a)
sum(a) == 1.0
```

List comprehensions

```
[ i + i for i in range(10) ]
```

Bytes and character strings

```
chr(65), chr(0x41), ord('A'), hex(ord('A'))
a = b'Abytestring', list(a)
b = [102, 111, 111]
''.join([chr(x) for x in b])
```

Names and objects

```
immutable types
    integers
    tuples
a = list(range(10))
b = list(range(10))
a
b
is keyword
    a is b
a.reverse()
a
b
c = b
c is b
b
c.reverse()
b
d = c.copy()
d.reverse()
c
```

Scoping and local variables

```
a = 1
def add(x, y):
    a = x + y
    return(a)
a
def add(x, y):
    global a
    a = x + y
```

```

    return(a)
a

```

```

Exceptions and error handling
error_handling.py
errprint.py
try:
    1/0
except Exception as foo:
    print(foo)

```

8.

```

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Online:
    programming3.mp4
=====

```

```

Slicing, zero first
a = list(range(100))
b = list(range(10,110,1))
a[10:20]
b[10:20]
a[:50]
a[50:]
a[-10]
a[-10:]
a[10:20:2]
a[::-1]
    [i:j:k] - if i omitted, 0 for k > 0, n-1 for k<0.
             - if j omitted, n for k > 0, -n-1 for k<0.
             - if k omitted, 1

```

```

assignment with slicing
a[30:40] = range(10)
a[40:60] = 5 -> error
    a[40:60] = [5]*20
    [5]*20
    a
    a[40:60] = [5]*10
    a
    len a

```

```

a = np.arange(100)
a[40:60] = 5
a

```

```

Dictionaries [11:19]
person = {}
person['color'] = 'blue'
person['age'] = 47
person['height'] = 1.776
person['food'] = 'pizza'
person['car'] = 'Toyota'

```

keys() method

```

sorted(iterable)
    iterable may be dict
a = list('hi there')
sorted(a)

```

```
List sort() method
  a = list('hi there')
  a.sort()
  a
```

```
None
  months list
  months dictionary keyed on numbers
```

```
Debugging with print()
  reportloop.py
```

```
ps, htop, kill
  kill cat in another terminal
  kill -9 bash
  kill -STOP cat
  man 7 signal
  echo $$
```

```
Symbolic links
  demonstrate ln -s
  mv, rm a symlink
  /usr/bin/python3
  absolute and relative symbolic links
```

```
Optimization [55:05]
  don't do more computation than necessary
  polynomial evaluation
    a + bx + cx^2 + dx^3 : 3 additions, 6 multiplications
    a + x(b + x(c + xd)) : 3 additions, 3 multiplications
  optimize inner loops
  use more memory
    swapping two elements in a list vs. creating a swapped list
    lookup tables
  avoid function calls
  recursion - not good in Python
```

```
time shell builtin
  time -p sleep 2
```

```
time module [1:12:42]
  time.perf_counter()
  timeloop.py
  pass
```

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9.

```
=====
Online:
  graphics1.mp4
=====
```

prime.c and prime.py

```
prime.py optimization
  roundoff - // vs. / with 86795643218674325
    a = 86795643218674325.0
    a.as_integer_ratio()
  optimize inner loop by removing else: - 10% improvement
```

### Pythonic factorization

```
a = 1232324123
np.sqrt(a)
b = np.arange(35105) + 2
b
c = a % b
b[c == 0]
a/_
23957*51439
```

### apt-get and aptitude

```
sudo aptitude install sysvbanner
```

### argc, argv

```
arguments.py
```

### Operator precedence

```
1+1*3
6/2*3
https://docs.python.org/3.9/reference/expressions.html
```

### Numpy arrays

```
np.arange()
np.linspace()
a = np.loadtxt('wind.dat')
type(a)
dir(a)
help(a)
a.dtype
a.shape
type(a[0])
a[0].shape
a[0][0]
a[0][2]
type(a[0][0])
a.T
    different view of a, not a new object
b = a.T
c = a.copy().T
a[1][1] = 99
a
b
c
a = np.zeros(100, dtype='complex')
```

### Plotting [59:08]

```
drows = np.loadtxt('wind.dat')
wdat = drows.T

f1, ax1 = plt.subplots()
ax1.plot(wdat[0], wdat[1], 'o')
ax1.set_xlim(-5, 25)
ax1.set_ylim(0, 12)
ax1.errorbar(wdat[0], wdat[1], yerr=wdat[2], fmt='o', capsize=3)
# ax1.plot(wdat[0], wdat[1], 'o')
f1.show()

f2, ax2 = plt.subplots()
ax2.plot(np.sin(np.linspace(0, np.pi, 1000)))
f2.show()
ax2.plot(np.cos(np.linspace(0, np.pi, 1000)))
```

```
f2.show()
```

```
simple_plot.py
```

```
demonstrate saving .eps files [1:10:07]
```

```
view .eps file with gv [1:11:29]
```

10.

```
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```

```
Online:
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```
graphics2.mp4
```

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Summer only:
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```
Project
```

```
guidelines
```

```
https://www.adafruit.com/category/105
```

```
Use of packaged equation solvers, ray tracers, etc. in projects
```

```
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```

```
Online: project.mp4
```

```
=====
```

```
Graphics [00:18]
```

```
pixels, screen memory, 24-bit color
```

```
xmag demonstration
```

```
X = 100
```

```
Y = 100
```

```
f1, ax1 = plt.subplots()
```

```
pvals = np.zeros((X, Y, 3), dtype='uint8')
```

```
pvals[50,50,:] = (255,0,0)
```

```
ax1.imshow(pvals, interpolation='none')
```

```
f1.show()
```

```
for i in range(16,64,1):
```

```
    for j in range(16,64,1):
```

```
        pvals[i,j,:] = (0,0xee,0)
```

```
ax1.imshow(pvals, interpolation='none')
```

```
f1.show()
```

```
set color block with slicing instead of loop
```

```
pvals[20:40, 20:40, :] = (0,0,0xff)
```

```
ax1.imshow(pvals, interpolation='none')
```

```
f1.show()
```

```
img.py [22:13]
```

```
cmapimg.py [39:16]
```

```
Complex numbers [46:22]
```

```
a = 5+2j
```

```
type(a)
```

```
a = 5+j does not work
```

```
b = complex(5)
```

```
b
```

```
a = 5+1j
```

```
a*a
```

```
a+a
```

```
5+1j * 5+1j (unexpected result)
```

(5+1j)\*(5+1j)

Mandelbrot and Julia sets [50:58]

```
Fifos (queues)
  from collections import deque
  a = [1,2,3]
  q = deque(a)
  q.append()
  q.popleft()
```

```
Stacks [1:00:45]
  append(), pop()
  dc
```

```
PostScript [1:06:50]
  gs
  hello, world
    stack-based syntax
    coordinate system
  gv
  rt345.eps [1:13:23]
  Blue Book and PLRM
```

```
vector graphics
  curveto.ps
  bigletter.ps
```

```
EPS
  rt345.eps
  PS translate and scale [1:35:25]
  gv coordinate display
```

```
petal.ps [1:42:10]
```

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11.

```
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Online:
  networking1.mp4
=====
```

```
School year only:
Project
  guidelines
  https://www.adafruit.com/category/105
  Use of packaged equation solvers, ray tracers, etc. in projects
  =====
  Online: project.mp4
  =====
```

```
Network protocol stack
  application  email, http
  transport    TCP, UDP
  network      IP
  link         ethernet
  physical     cable, radio wave, optical fiber, etc.
```

```
ifconfig
  ip command Linux-specific
  netstat -ie
```

IP  
    IP numbers  
    port numbers  
    /etc/services  
UDP  
TCP

Basics of DNS  
    host

traceroute  
ping

URLs

nc -Cv web.physics.ucsb.edu 80  
    GET /~phys129/lipman/ HTTP/1.0

CRLF in HTTP and SMTP

wget  
    update script function

12.

=====  
Online:  
    networking2.mp4  
=====

nc -Cv elo.physics.ucsb.edu 25  
    HELO ealrpil  
    MAIL FROM:mrsmtip@example.com  
    RCPT TO:lipml@elo.physics.ucsb.edu  
    DATA  
    Subject: fake mail  
  
    This is fake mail  
    .  
    QUIT

RFCs  
    <http://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc-index.html>  
    SMTP 821  
    HTTP 2068  
        RFC 7230, section 3.1.1 "Request Line"

nc -lv 1024 < file  
nc 127.0.0.1 1024

netstat --inet  
lsof -i

Buffer overflows and stack smashing

client.py  
    also can write to socket

server.py  
    also can read from socket



Python Requests library and Beautiful Soup

<http://docs.python-requests.org/en/master/>

<https://www.crummy.com/software/BeautifulSoup/bs4/doc/>

```
import requests
r = requests.get('http://web.physics.ucsb.edu/~phys129/lipman/')
type(r)
dir(r)
r.content
r.encoding
r.text
print(r.text)
```

BRING HARDWARE TO NEXT LECTURE

#####

13.

```
=====
Online:
    data_acquisition.mp4
=====
```

--> Air Can

School year only:

Detailed project scope due to me

```
generators
def gen():
    yield 1
    yield 2
    yield 3
a = gen()
a
next(a)
next(a)
next(a)
next(a)
```

Object-oriented programming vs. imperative programming

stripchart.py  
classes

I2C bus

MCP9808  
<https://www.adafruit.com/product/1782>  
Wiring diagram on course web page  
tempdemo.py

ADS1015 and solar cell  
adcdemo.py  
fastadc.py  
Real-time kernels

14.

```
=====
Online:
```

```
fourier.mp4
=====
```

#### Sampling

Nyquist theorem

aliasing

convolution and signal recovery from samples

$$(f*g)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)g(t - \tau) d\tau$$

/etc/init.d, /etc/init

man service

#### FFT

evaluate polynomial at n complex nth roots of 1

$$O(n^2) \rightarrow O(n \log(n))$$

matplotlib.mlab.psd() and numpy.fft

fft\_spectrum.py

psd\_spectrum.py

#####

15.

=====

Online:

random.mp4

=====

man random

RNG period

dir(np.random)

help(np.random)

np.random.random()

np.random.random(100)

np.random.random((10,10))

np.random.seed()

np.random.randint()

np.random.uniform()

Monte Carlo

area/value of pi

simple integration

For N evaluations, error goes as  $1/\sqrt{N}$

for any number of dimensions. For grid

(trapezoidal rule), error goes as  $1/N^{2/d}$

in d dimensions.

LaTeX

latex texample.tex

latex texample.tex

dvips texample.dvi

ps2pdf texample.ps

16.

=====

Online:

fork\_exec\_tracing.mp4

=====

fork() and threading

fork\_example.py

starting a new process

```
help exec
sleep 3
exec sleep 3
man exec, execve
shell forks, then calls wait(2)
```

```
import os
help(os.execv)
-> in second terminal, ps -uxw | tail -5
os.execv('/bin/sleep', ['/bin/sleep', '10'])
-> ps -uxw | tail -5; show that process name changed
```

```
import threading
dir(threading)
```

thread\_example.py

Homework problems

```
fork_ls.py demo
threadchart.py demo
```

System call tracing

```
man strace
strace ls
    trace output goes to stderr
strace ls nosuchfile 2> foo
trp
    run on date
    run on errprint.py
    run on fork_example.py
```

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Online:
    distributions1.mp4
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```

Coin toss/binomial mean and SD

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$$P(N, k) = \frac{N!}{k!(N-k)!} p^k q^{(N-k)}$$

mean =  $Np$ 
 $\sigma = \sqrt{Npq}$ 
```

Binomial sampling example

```
Dice game: win $5 on 6, lose $1 on any other roll
you play:
N = 300
w = 50
p = 1/6, uncertainty?
 $Npq = 300 * (1/6) * (5/6) = 41.667$ 
 $\sigma = 6.45$ 
w = 50 +/- 6.45
p = 0.167 +/- 0.022
```

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cousin plays:
N = 100
w = 31, fair?
 $Np = 16.67, \sigma(Npq) = 3.73$ 
```

$(31 - 16.67)/3.73 = 3.8 \text{ sd}$   
 Both tails:  $1/6900$   
 Probability of  $w = 31$  or greater is  $1/13,800$

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 Best estimate for cousin:  
 $N = 100, w = 31$   
 $p = w/N = 0.31$   
 $\text{sqrt}(Npq) = 4.6, 4.6/100 = 0.046$   
 $p = 0.31 \pm 0.046$

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 Other examples  
     election polling  
     count fish in lake  
     all error bars touch line

Poisson distribution  
 Binomial as  $Np \rightarrow 0, q \rightarrow 1$   
 $P(n) = (\mu^n/n!)e^{-\mu}$   
 $\sigma = \sqrt{Np} \quad (q \approx 1)$   
 histogram fluctuation for uniform random numbers  
 $a = \text{np.random.random}(10000)$   
 $f1, ax1 = \text{plt.subplots}()$   
 $ahist = ax1.hist(a, 10)$   
 $f1.show()$   
 compare  $\text{np.sqrt}(Npq)$  to  $\text{np.sqrt}(Np)$   
  
 $f2, ax2 = \text{plt.subplots}()$   
 $ahist = ax2.hist(a, 100)$   
 $f2.show()$   
 compare  $\text{np.sqrt}(Npq)$  to  $\text{np.sqrt}(Np)$

Nonuniform random numbers  
 Gaussian distribution  
 $1/\sigma \sqrt{2\pi} \exp(-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2)$   
  
 $a = \text{np.random.random}(10000)$   
 $f1, ax1 = \text{plt.subplots}()$   
 $ahist = ax1.hist(a, 50)$   
 $f1.show()$   
  
 $b = \text{np.random.normal}(1.0, 0.1, 10000)$   
 $f2, ax2 = \text{plt.subplots}()$   
 $bhist = ax2.hist(b, 50, (0.6, 1.4))$   
 $f2.show()$   
  
 from scipy import stats  
 $x = \text{np.linspace}(0.6, 1.4, 1000)$   
 $ax2.plot(x, 160 \cdot \text{stats.norm.pdf}(x, 1.0, 0.1))$   
 $f2.show()$

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 Online:  
     integration.mp4  
     distributions2.mp4  
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Discrete integration  
     careful with  $dx$   
     find the integral of  $y = x$  from 0 to 1:

```

N = 10000
dx = 1.0/N
x = np.linspace(0, 1.0-dx, N)
x
y = x
ydx = y*dx
ydx.sum()
y.sum()*dx

```

trapezoidal rule  
 simpson's rule (parabola)  
 other methods

numint.py

For the error function,  $\sigma = 1/\sqrt{2}$ .  
 So we integrate one tail by giving the number  
 of standard deviations divided by  $\sqrt{2}$   
 as the argument to `erfc()`. With  $N = 100$ ,  
 $p = 1/6$ ,  $w = 31$ , we are  $3.846\sigma$  from  
 the mean, so:

```

from scipy import special
0.5*special.erfc( 3.846/np.sqrt(2) )
6.0030881107545723e-05 = 1 in 16658.

```

```

from scipy import stats
x = np.arange(101)
a = stats.binom.pmf(x, 100, 1.0/6.0)
a[31:].sum()
0.00029578488275368661 = 1 in 3381.
f, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(a, drawstyle='steps-post')
f.show()

```

Integer histograms

```

a = np.random.randint(1,7,1000)
f, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.hist(a)
f.show()

```

inthist.py

Arbitrary nonuniform random numbers demo

```

g(y) = 2y, f(x)dx = dx = g(y)dy = 2ydy (2y is normalized on 0-1)
dx = 2ydy
x = y^2, y = sqrt(x)

```

```

x = np.random.random(10000)
f1, ax1 = plt.subplots()
xhist = ax1.hist(x, 50)
f1.show()

```

```

y = np.sqrt(x)
f2, ax2 = plt.subplots()
yhist = ax2.hist(y, 50)
f2.show()

```

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Online:

diffeq1.mp4

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Finite differencing

draw curve with straight line approximation to tangent  
 $[x(t + dt) - x(t)]/dt$

$$Q/C - iR = 0$$

$$i = -dQ/dt$$

$$dQ/dt + Q/RC = 0$$

$$C = 10 \text{ uF}, R = 20k, RC = 0.2$$

$$Q(t + dt) - Q(t) = -Q(t)dt/RC$$

$$Q(t + dt) = Q(t) * (1 - dt/RC)$$

capfd.py

Second derivative finite difference

draw curve with straight line approximation to tangent  
three points, two slopes

$$\{ [x(t+2dt) - x(t+dt)]/dt - [x(t+dt) - x(t)]/dt \}/dt$$

$$\{ x(t+2dt) - 2x(t+dt) + x(t) \}/dt^2$$

$$m d^2x/dt^2 + kx = 0$$

$$d^2x/dt^2 + w^2x = 0$$

$$x(t+2dt) = 2x(t+dt) - x(t) (1 + w^2dt^2)$$

shmfd.py

Senior thesis overview (Laplace's equation in einzel lens)

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Online:

diffeq2.mp4

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2-d finite differencing

D = del, p = phi

Laplace eqn

$$E = -Dp$$

$$D.E = D.(-Dp) = d^2p/dx^2 + d^2p/dy^2 = \rho/\epsilon$$

= 0 in free space

$$\{p(x+dx, y) - 2p(x, y) + p(x-dx, y)\}/dx^2 +$$

$$\{p(x, y+dy) - 2p(x, y) + p(x, y-dy)\}/dy^2 = 0$$

$$4 p(x, y) = p(x+dx, y) + p(x-dx, y) + p(x, y+dy) + p(x, y-dy)$$

$$p(x, y) = [p(x+dx, y) + p(x-dx, y) + p(x, y+dy) + p(x, y-dy)]/4$$

Relaxation

laplace\_cap.py

a = np.arange(9).reshape((3,3)) + 1

np.roll(a, -1, axis=0)

np.roll(a, 1, axis=0)

np.roll(a, -1, axis=1)

lapcap\_roll.py  
lapcap\_live.py

Sparse matrices

$$-4p(x,y) + p(x+dx,y) + p(x-dx,y) + p(x,y+dy) + p(x,y-dy) - b = 0$$

$Ax = b$ ;  $b$  from boundary points

$$x = A^{-1}b$$

ESCI evaluations

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