

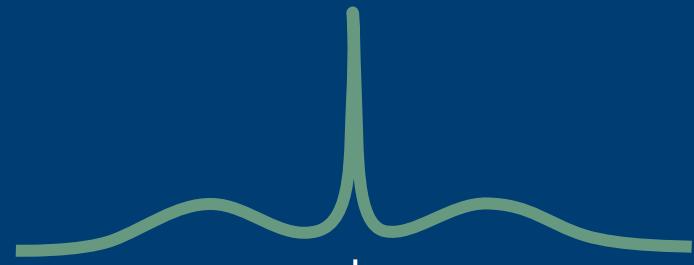
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# Outline

1) Intro to Linux and bash scripts (sed / grep / regex )

2) Introduction to python

→ code editors and overall syntax

3) Brief introduction to numpy and matplotlib

→ main features and commands

→ input/output

→ exercise: data smoothing

4) Data representation and multiple precision

→ Python: mpmath [ equiv. in C: GMP & MPFR ]

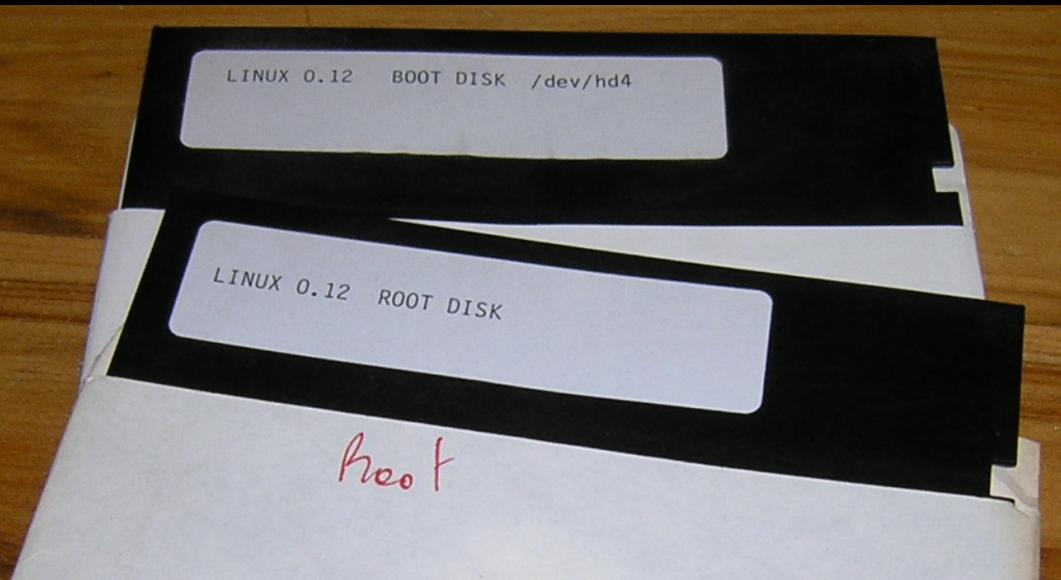
\*\* see also my “book” on

Introduction to Computational Physics (with Julia)

<http://www.infis.ufu.br/~gerson/>

# What is Linux?

“Microsoft isn't evil, they just make  
really crappy operating systems”  
- Linus Torvalds (2013-01-29)



# Some useful links

→ <https://www.tutorialspoint.com/> ←

Linux tutorials: (includes bash, sed, awk, regex)

<http://ryanstutorials.net/>  
<https://linuxjourney.com/>  
<http://www.grymoire.com/Unix>

Bash script:

<https://linuxconfig.org/bash-scripting-tutorial>  
<http://tldp.org/HOWTO/Bash-Prog-Intro-HOWTO.html>  
<http://matt.might.net/articles/bash-by-example/>

Perl: <https://www.tutorialspoint.com/perl/>

Sed: <http://www.grymoire.com/Unix/Sed.html>  
<http://sed.sourceforge.net/sed1line.txt>  
<https://www.tutorialspoint.com/unix/unix-regular-expressions.htm>

Awk: <https://likegeeks.com/awk-command/>

Regular expressions (regex): <https://regexone.com/>  
<https://regex101.com/>  
<https://medium.com/factory-mind/regex-tutorial-a-simple-cheatsheet-4-by-examples-649dc1c3f285>

## UNIX filosofy: minimalism!

→ Doug McIlroy (1978), Peter H. Salus (1994)

### Software must...

... perform a single task!

→ and do it efficiently

... work together

→ communication via I/O (fs, text, pipes)

...use the shell to combine commands

→ and perform complex tasks

## GNU, Free Software Foundation

→ R. Stallman (1983)

→ promotes the universal freedom to study,  
distribute, create, and modify computer software

Hello everybody out there using minix -

25/agosto/1991

I'm doing a (free) operating system (just a hobby, won't be big and professional like gnu) for 386(486) AT clones. This has been brewing since april, and is starting to get ready. I'd like any feedback on things people like/dislike in minix, as my OS resembles it somewhat (same physical layout of the file-system (due to practical reasons) among other things).

I've currently ported bash(1.08) and gcc(1.40), and things seem to work. This implies that I'll get something practical within a few months, and I'd like to know what features most people would want. Any suggestions are welcome, but I won't promise I'll implement them :-)

Linus (torv...@kruuna.helsinki.fi)

PS. To make things really clear - yes I can run **gcc** on it, and **bash**, and most of the **gnu [bin/file]** utilities, but it's not very debugged, and the library is really minimal. It doesn't even support floppy-disks yet. It won't be ready for distribution for a couple of months. Even then it probably won't be able to do much more than minix, and much less in some respects. It will be free though (probably under gnu-license or similar)

# BASH - Bourne-Again SHeLL

```
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`...:_:':`--'`-`-'`:_:...`'
```

# Moving around

- Open the terminal (`bash`), to access the command prompt (\$)
- It opens at the users `$HOME` folder.
  - check where you are by running `$ pwd`
  - this is your folder (user/group)
  - run `$ ls` to list the files at your `$HOME`
  - but there can be hidden files: run `$ ls -a`
    - files that start with `.` are “hidden” (config files)
- Let's go to `/var/log`  
`$ cd /var/log`  
`$ pwd`  
`$ ls`
- Special characters and relative path:
  - `..` refers to the parent folder. Run `$ cd ..` and `$ pwd`
  - `~` is a shortcut to `$HOME`. Run `$ cd ~` and `$ pwd`
  - `.` is the current folder. Useful to copy files, etc...  
example: `$ cp /etc/ssh/ssh_config .`
- Tip:  
Use TAB to autocomplete commands and file names

# Complex file names

- File names are case sensitive
- Avoid unusual characters !@#\$&\*
- It is better to use only
  - letters [a..z]
  - numbers [0..9] and
  - simple symbols - \_ .
- extensions (.txt, .dat, .png) are optional, only for organization
- Spaces are allowed, but be careful:

Try it:

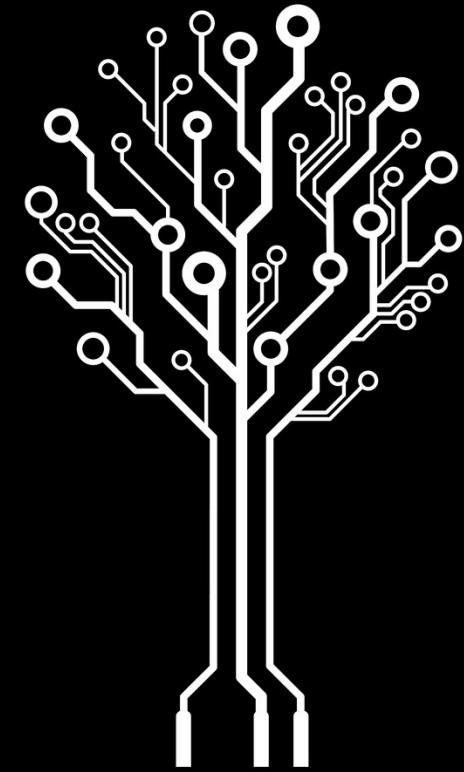
```
$ mkdir Folder with long name  
$ ls -l
```

```
$ mkdir “Better use quotes”  
$ ls -l
```

```
$ mkdir This\ slash\ notation\ is\ terrible  
$ ls -l
```

# System tree

/ - system root  
/**home** - home folders for all normal users  
/**media** - external devices (pendrive, cd, floppy??, ...)  
/**etc** - system config files and init scripts  
/**dev** - devices... within Linux, everything is a file  
/**var** - system logs, caches  
/**usr** - main folder for installed software  
/**bin** - core binary files  
/**sbin** - system binary files (config, admin)  
/**root** - superuser home folder  
/**lib** - libraries  
/**boot** - kernel and boot (grub, efi, ...)  
/**mnt** - aux folder for devices or external mounts  
/**opt** - aux folder to store extra softwares  
/**proc** - system and processes information  
/**tmp** - temporary files  
...



# Permissions

→ Categories

u = user, g = group, o = others

Who are you? Who, who, who, who? Run: \$ whoami and \$ groups

→ Let's create a file and check its permissions:

```
$ echo "Write something creative here" > myfile.txt  
$ ls -l
```

permissions	# links	user & group	size	last modification date	file name or folder
-rw-rw-r--	1	gerson users	18	Set 24 15:44	myfile.txt
drwxr-xr-x	2	gerson users	4,0K	Set 22 11:03	Desktop
drwxr-xr-x	5	gerson users	4,0K	Set 23 18:59	Documents
drwxr-xr-x	5	gerson users	4,0K	Set 24 15:24	Downloads
drwx-----	35	gerson users	4,0K	Set 22 09:02	Dropbox
drwxr-xr-x	8	gerson users	4,0K	Set 9 07:57	public_html
drwx-----	16	gerson users	4,0K	Jul 21 22:25	Sync
drwxrwxr-x	4	gerson users	4,0K	Set 21 20:45	tmp

# Permissions

```
-rw-rw-r-- 1 gerson gerson 18 Set 24 15:44 myfile.txt  
drwx----- 35 gerson gerson 4,0K Set 22 09:02 Dropbox  
drwxr-xr-x 8 gerson gerson 4,0K Set 9 07:57 public_html
```

→ read it as: d | **rwx** | **r-x** | **r-x**  
              u       $g$        $o$

→ First field:

“d” indicates a directory/folder  
“-” indicates a file

→ Other fields refer to the **user/group/others** permissions  
“r” permission to **read**  
“w” permission to **write/modify/delete**  
“x” permission to **run (exec)**

→ Changing permissions

```
$ chmod go-rw myfile.txt ← removes(-) rw from g and o
```

→ Changing the ownership

```
$ chown root:gerson myfile.txt ← owner=root, group=gerson
```

# Man pages

- We'll go through many commands
- To check the details on how to use each command...  
**read the manual!! ;-)**

\$ man man (read the manual on how to use the manual)

- to navigate: **arrows**
- to search: **/**, **n** (next)
- to quite: **q**
- help: **h**

Example:

\$ man grep

→ search por “**case**”

→ check also the command **whatis**:

\$ whatis cp

\$ whatis grep

# Files: creating/removing/copying/...

→ Create a blank file

```
$ touch blank.txt  
$ ls -l
```

→ Create some folders

```
$ mkdir My_Files Another_Folder
```

→ Move `blank.txt` to `My_Files`

```
$ mv blank.txt My_Files  
$ ls My_Files
```

→ Renaming files or folders is the same as moving

```
$ mv My_Files New_Name  
$ ls
```

→ Using relative paths:

```
$ cd Another_Folder  
$ mv ../../New_Name .
```

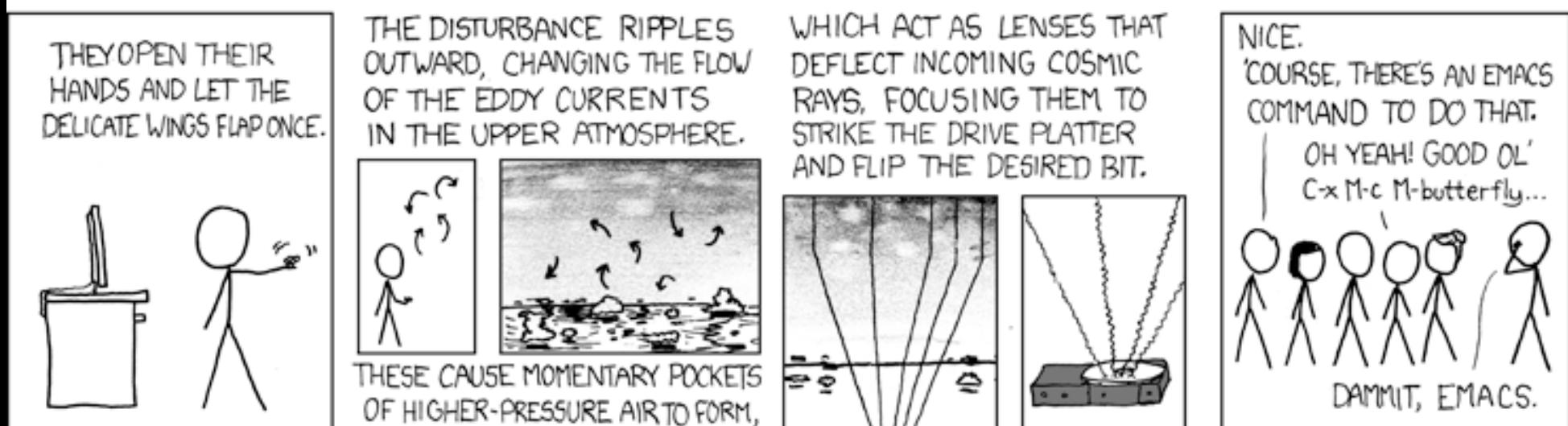
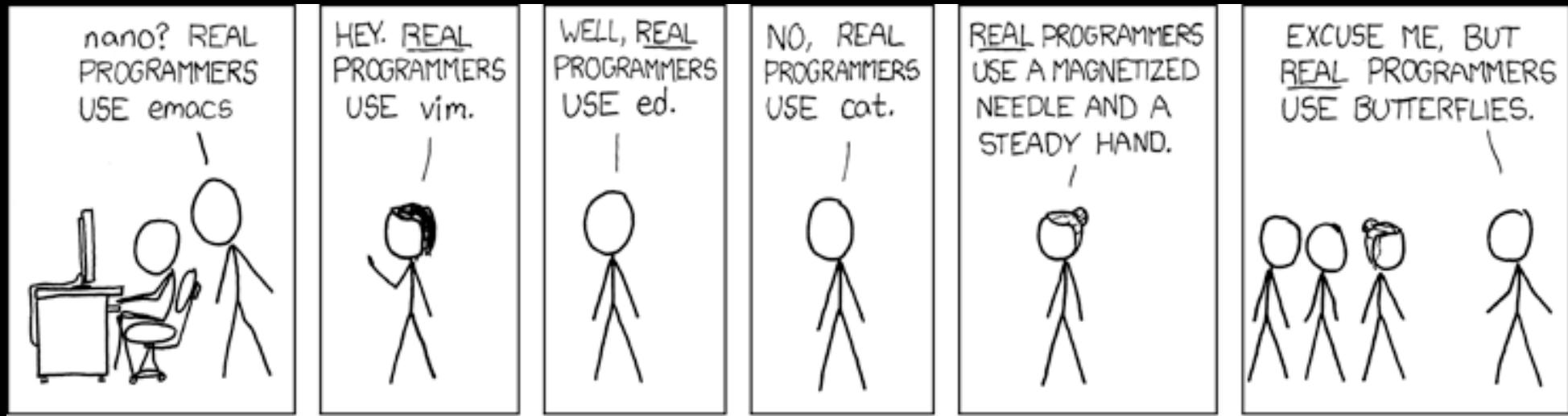
→ Let's delete all files and folders we have created here

```
$ rm <file1> <file2> ...  
$ rmdir <dir1> <dir2> ...
```

# File editors

→ Main editors: `vim`, `emacs`

... both complicated, both powerful!!



Real programmers set the universal constants at the start such that <sup>15</sup> the universe evolves to contain the disk with the data they want.

# File editors

minimalist set of commands

## emacs

---

```
$ emacs myfile.txt
```

Save → CTRL+x CTRL+s

Quit → CTRL+x CTRL+c

Abort → CTRL+g

More:

<https://www.gnu.org/software/emacs/refcards/pdf/refcard.pdf>

## vim

---

```
$ vim myfile.txt
```

Edit → i

Commands → ESC

Save → :w

Quit → :q

Force → :q!

More:

<http://tnerual.eriogerg.free.fr/vimqrc.pdf>

## nano

---

```
$ nano myfile.txt
```

Save → CTRL+o

Quit → CTRL+x

## gedit

---

```
$ gedit myfile.txt
```

(graphical interface)

# Quickly reading files

→ cat (tac) prints (stnirp) the file on screen:

```
$ cat myfile.txt
```

→ less: show file interactively

```
$ less myfile.txt (arrows, /=search, h=help, q=quit)
```

→ head -n 3 myfile.txt : prints the first 3 lines

→ tail -n 3 myfile.txt : prints the last 3 lines

→ grep: prints lines that match a pattern (see regex)

Try it:

```
$ grep --color Nobel nrg.txt
```

# Input / output redirect

```
$ command > file.txt : redirect output to file  
$ command >> file.txt : append into file
```

```
$ command 1> file.txt 2> errors.txt  
      redirects main output to file.txt  
      error output to errors.txt
```

```
$ command_1 | command_2 : |=pipe captures output from 1  
                           and redirects as the input of 2
```

Examples (check the commands without redirection as well)

```
$ echo "Hello world" > hello.txt  
$ ls -l  
$ cat hello.txt
```

```
$ echo "one more line" >> hello.txt  
$ cat hello.txt
```

```
$ ls / | grep bin  
$ ps -ef | grep bash
```

# Scripts

- Scripts start with `#! = hash(#)` `bang(!) = hashbang`  
Indicates the language, which must work with pipes |

- bash: `#!/bin/bash`
- gnuplot: `#!/usr/bin/gnuplot`
- python: `#!/usr/bin/python3`
- perl: `#!/usr/bin/perl`

Examples:

- Edit `hello.sh`, and give it permission to run `$ chmod +x hello.sh`
- To run, call `$ ./hello.sh`

```
#!/bin/bash
myname=`whoami`
echo "Hello world! My name is $myname."
```

- Now in Perl:

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
$myname=`whoami`;
print("Hello world! My name is $myname.\n");
```

# Gnuplot example

see <http://gnuplot.sourceforge.net/demo/>  
my old gnuplot class in [www.infis.ufu.br/~gerson](http://www.infis.ufu.br/~gerson)

→ Example 1: plot on screen

```
#!/usr/bin/gnuplot --persist

set xlabel('T')
set ylabel('S_z')
# from file termo.dat, plot using x = column 1, y=column 2
# with lines and points and point type = circles (7)
plot 'termo.dat' u 1:2 w lp pt 7
```

→ Example 2: plot to file

```
#!/usr/bin/gnuplot --persist
set terminal png size 800,600 nocrop
set output "gpfigure.png"

set xlabel('T')
set ylabel('S_z')
plot 'termo.dat' u 1:2 w lp pt 7
```

# Scripts

→ good scripts require knowledge of the linux commands

`#!` - hashbang, first line, defines the language

`cd` - change directory

`ls` - list content of directory

`pwd` - print working directory

`mkdir` - make directory

`rm` - remove / delete

`rmdir` - remove / delete folders (directories)

`mv` - move / rename

`cat` - print file on screen (see `tac` as well)

`echo` - print text or variables on screen

`less` - show file on screen interactively

`grep` - capture lines accordingly to pattern (see `regex`)

`kill` - signals a process, usually to kill it

redirecting: `>` (write) `>>` (append) `<` (read) `|` (pipe)

# Scripts

→ many... many useful commands (all work with files or pipes)

`head` - print the first lines

`tail` - print the last lines

`sort` - sort lines (check \$ man sort)

`nl` - count number of lines

`wc` - count characters, words, paragraphs...

`cut` - cut sections

`paste` - merge sections

`join` - join lines

`uniq` - remove repeated lines

`tr` - translate or delete characters

`egrep` - grep + regular expressions (regex)

`regex` - advanced pattern matching

`sed` - stream editor to transform / manipulate text

`awk` - pattern processing language

...

# Example: simple backup

→ Create backup.sh:

```
#!/bin/bash

# save backup to
bakdir="$HOME/backup"
echo "Backup directory: $bakdir"

# creates folder if necessary
mkdir -p $bakdir

# today's date on ISO8601 format YYYY-MM-DD
today=`date -I`

# backup file name
fname="$bakdir/$today.tgz"

# compacts the current directory and save it
# in the backup folder
tar -czf $fname ./*
```

## Example: special vars

→ Edit args.sh:

```
#!/bin/bash

echo "Script name: $0"
echo "Number of parameters: $#"
echo "Parameter array: $@"

id=1
for par in $@; do
    echo "Parameter $id = $par"
    let id++
done
```

→ Arithmetic operations in bash require

(i) the macro let

```
let id++
let id=id+1
```

(ii) or the double parenthesis:

```
(( id++ ))
id=$((id+1))
(( id=id+1 ))
```

## Examples: cut and paste columns

→ Edit `cutpaste.sh`:

```
#!/bin/bash

# using redirect to merge one under the other
files=`ls file*.txt`
new="merged.txt"
echo -n "" > $new
for eachfile in $file; do
    cat $eachfile >> $new
done
```

→ run these directly on bash

```
# merge all columns side by side
paste -d ' ' file1.txt file2.txt > pasted.txt
```

```
# extracts some columns
cut -d ' ' -f 1,3 pasted.txt > cut.txt
```

```
# equivalently:
paste -d ' ' file1.txt file2.txt | cut -d ' ' -f 1,3 > cut2.txt
```

# Using sed

→ Check the file `Linux_win.txt`. Clearly wrong! Let's fix it!

→ Replace first occurrence on each paragraph

```
$ sed 's/windows/linux/' Linux_win.txt
```

→ Replace `n-st` occurrence in each paragraph

```
$ sed 's/windows/linux/2' Linux_win.txt
```

→ Replace all occurrences

```
$ sed 's/windows/linux/g' Linux_win.txt
```

→ Run and try to explain these commands to me:

check `$ man sed` if necessary

```
$ sed 's/windows/!&?!/g' Linux_win.txt ← try also with &&
```

```
$ sed -i 's/windows/{aux}/g; s/linux/windows/g;
          s/{aux}/linux/g' Linux_win.txt
```

→ great! now it looks good!!

# Regular expressions (regex)

Can be used with bash, perl, python, C, ...

Let's use the file `cordel.txt` in our examples:

```
# print lines that contain 'capaz'  
grep --color capaz cordel.txt
```

```
# print lines that start (^) with 'Eu'  
grep --color ^Eu cordel.txt
```

```
# print lines that end ($) with ';' (special character)  
grep --color \;$ cordel.txt
```

```
# print lines that cotain 'sã' or 'nã'  
grep --color [sn]ã cordel.txt
```

```
# print lines that start with A, B, C, D  
grep --color ^[A-D] cordel.txt
```

...

# *Introduction to Python*

Overall syntax and Code editors

# Python Code Editors: my favorites

ATOM  
+ Hydrogen package  
[[www.atom.io](http://www.atom.io)]

nteract  
[[www.nteract.io](http://www.nteract.io)]



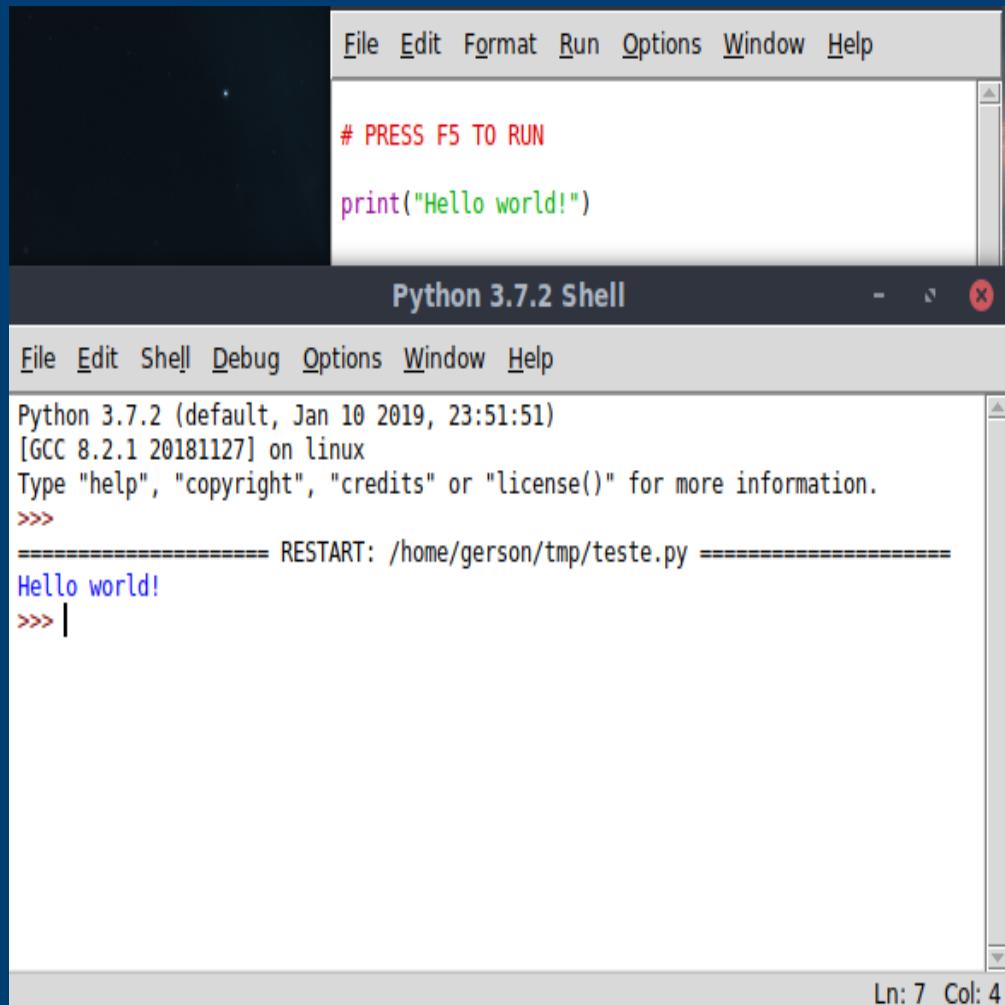
[[www.jupyter.org](http://www.jupyter.org)]



JupyterLab  
[<https://github.com/jupyterlab/jupyterlab>]

# Python Code Editors: available in this class

IDLE: simple, but useful  
→ make sure to open the Python 3 version!



The screenshot shows the Python 3.7.2 Shell interface. The menu bar includes File, Edit, Format, Run, Options, Window, and Help. The main window displays the code: 

```
# PRESS F5 TO RUN
print("Hello world!")
```

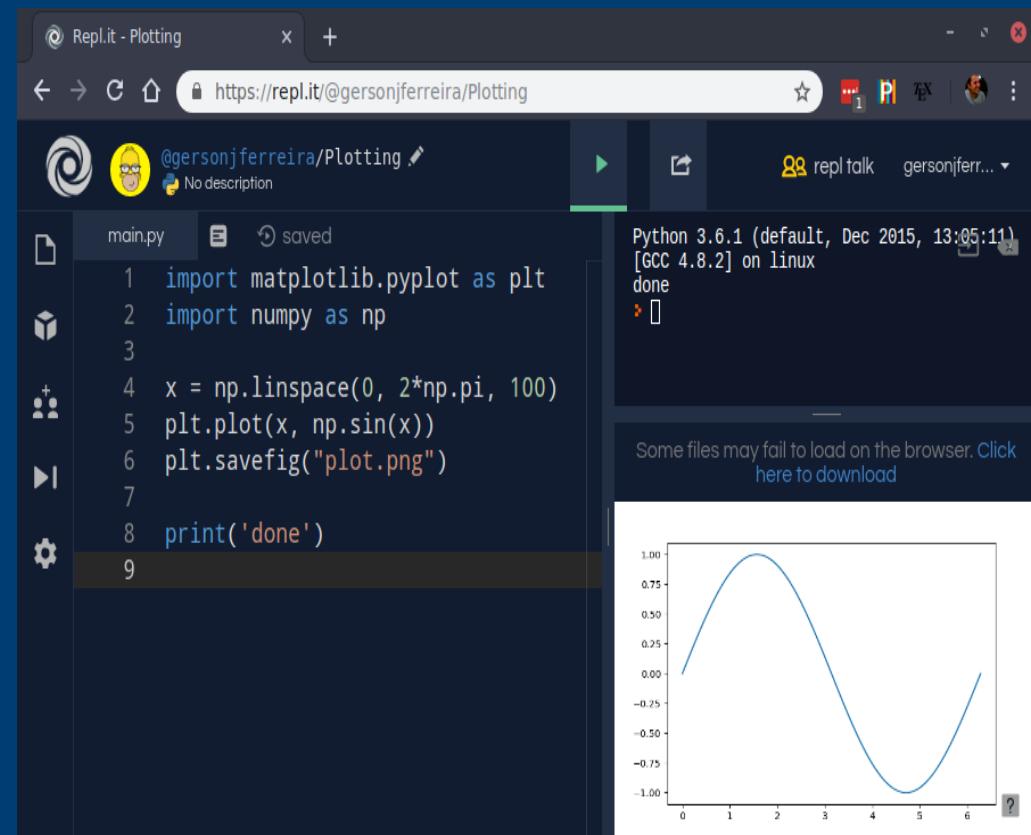
 Below the code, the title bar says "Python 3.7.2 Shell". The terminal window shows the output of running the script: 

```
Python 3.7.2 (default, Jan 10 2019, 23:51:51)
[GCC 8.2.1 20181127] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>>
===== RESTART: /home/gerson/tmp/teste.py =====
Hello world!
>>> |
```

 At the bottom, it says "Ln: 7 Col: 4".



Online: [www.repl.it](https://www.repl.it)



The screenshot shows the repl.it online code editor. The browser address bar shows "https://repl.it/@gersonjferreira/Plotting". The code editor window has a dark theme and shows the file "main.py" with the following content: 

```
1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 import numpy as np
3
4 x = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 100)
5 plt.plot(x, np.sin(x))
6 plt.savefig("plot.png")
7
8 print('done')
9
```

 To the right, a terminal window shows the output: 

```
Python 3.6.1 (default, Dec 2015, 13:05:11)
[GCC 4.8.2] on linux
done
> |
```

 Below the code editor, a message says "Some files may fail to load on the browser. Click here to download". At the bottom right, there is a plot of the sine function from 0 to 2π.

# *Python tutorial*

[[https://www.w3schools.com/python/python\\_intro.asp](https://www.w3schools.com/python/python_intro.asp)]

# Python: basic operations

## 1) Assignment

```
a = 3  
b = 4  
c = a**2 + b**2  
print('c = ', c)
```

## 2) if statement

```
if a > b:  
    print('a is larger than b')  
elif a < b:  
    print('b is larger than a')  
else:  
    print('a is equal to b')
```

## 3) types of variables

```
x = 5      # int  
y = 4.2 # float  
Na = 6.022e23 # float  
z = 3 + 4j # complex  
a = 'hello' # string  
  
print(type(z))  
...
```

## 4) operators

Arithmetic: + , - , \* , /  
Exponentiation: \*\*,  
 ex: 1024 == 2\*\*10  
Assignment: = , += , -= , \*= , /=  
 ex: x \*= 3 → x = x\*3  
Comparison: ==, !=, >, >=, <, <=  
Logical: and , or , not  
Membership: in , not in  
 ex: 5 in [3, 2, 9] → False

# Python: basic operations

## 5) Lists (for vectors → see numpy)

```
fruits = ['banana', 'orange']
fruits.append('apple')
fruits.sort()
print('Length:', len(fruits))
print('first:', fruits[0])
print('last:', fruits[-1])
```

## 6) For loop over lists

```
for fruit in fruits:
    print('we have ', fruit)
```

## 7) Membership

```
if 'grape' in fruits:
    print('yes, we have grapes')
else:
    print('no, we don't have grapes')
```

## 8) Lists over range of integers

syntax:

range(n) → 0, 1, ..., n-1  
range(i, f, s)  
i → initial  
f → final, not included  
s → step

```
for i in range(3, 15, 2):
    print(i)
```

```
for i in range(len(fruits)):
    print(i, fruits[i])
```

# Python: basic operations

## 9) Functions

```
# import single function
# from the math library
from math import sqrt

# define the function
# here c has a default value
def bhaskara(a, b, c=0):
    d = sqrt(0j+b**2-4*a*c)
    x1 = (-b+d)/(2*a)
    x2 = (-b-d)/(2*a)
    return x1, x2

# calling the function
s1, s2 = bhaskara(1, -5, 6)
print('sols:', s1, 'and', s2)

# check with bhaskara(1, -5, 0)
```

## 10) Lambda inline functions

```
from math import exp, sin

# short function can be written
# in a compact notation
sinc = lambda x: sin(x)/x
gauss = lambda x: exp(-x**2)

y = sinc(1.0)*gauss(3.0)

print('y = ', y)
```

# Python: basic operations

## 11) Libraries

```
# to import a single function  
from math import sqrt  
print(sqrt(2))  
help(sqrt) # help only works with imported objects
```

```
# to import everything  
# not recommended → possible conflicts  
from math import *  
print(cos(pi))
```

```
# import under a short name  
import math as m  
print(m.sin(m.pi/2))  
help(m)
```

Instead of the **math** library, we will typically prefer to use **numpy**:  
→ includes math, num. calculus, linear algebra, ...

```
import numpy as np  
print(np.cos(np.pi))
```

# Python: basic operations

→ Comprehensions : simple form to create lists and matrices (+ numpy)

```
mylist = np.array([ f(x) for x in xlist ])
```

Nested lists form matrices:

```
mymatrix = np.array([ [g(x,y) for x in xlist] for y in ylist ])
```

→ Dictionaries : very useful to store/organize input parameters

```
params = {}  
params['temperature'] = 300  
params['mag. field'] = 10  
params['method'] = 'RK4'
```

```
print(params)  
print('T = ', params['temperature'])
```

## Exercise: factorial

- Create a function called “myfactorial” that receives a number  $n$  and returns the factorial  $n!$ .
- Do not use recursive functions! Implement the factorial using a for loop.
- Compare the result with the native factorial function from the math library.
- Test it with the code below:

```
from math import factorial

def ... # implement your function here

# testing:
n = 10
print('Exact: ', factorial(n))
print('Mine: ', myfactorial(n))
```

Answer:

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Expected result: 3628800

# *Intro to numpy and matplotlib*

reading/saving files, manipulating data, plotting

[<https://www.tutorialspoint.com/numpy/index.htm>]

[[https://www.tutorialspoint.com/python/python\\_matplotlib.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/python/python_matplotlib.htm)]

# Python + numpy : vector-based language

The main element in **numpy** are the **nd-arrays** (**nd** = n-dimensional)

→ vectors

[ = vector/matrix/tensor ]

```
import numpy as np
```

```
v1 = np.array([7, 4, 9, 10]) # 4-component vector  
v2 = np.linspace(5, 12, 4) # (initial, final*, step)  
print('v1 = ', v1, ', v2 = ', v2)
```

```
d = np.dot(v1, v2) # nd-scalar product  
print('scalar product = ', d)
```

```
x = np.array([1, 0, 0])  
y = np.array([0, 1, 0])  
z = np.cross(x, y) # cross product only for 2D and 3D arrays  
print('z = ', z)
```

# Python + numpy: vector-based language

→ matrices

```
import numpy as np

mat1 = np.array([ [1,2] , [3,4] ]) # a 2x2 matrix

line1 = np.array([1,2]) # each line is a vector
line2 = np.array([3,4])

mat2 = np.array([ line1, line2 ]) # another way to write mat1

print('matrix 1 = ', mat1)
print('matrix 2 = ', mat2)
```

# Python + numpy : vector and matrix operations

## vectors

```
v1 = np.array([1,2,3])
v2 = np.array([4,5,6])

print(v1+v2)
print(v1*v2)
print(v1**2)
print(np.sin(v1*np.pi))

v3 = np.zeros(5)
v4 = np.ones(5)

print(v3)
print(v4)
```

## matrices

```
m0 = np.zeros((5,5))
m1 = 2*np.diag(np.ones(5))
m2 = -np.diag(np.ones(4), +1)
m3 = -np.diag(np.ones(4), -1)
m4 = m1 + m2 + m3

print(m4) # Exercise: explain the commands

v0 = np.array([1, -1, 0, 1, -1])

print(m4*v0) # what is the difference
print(np.dot(m4, v0)) # between these two?
```

# Python + numpy : vector and matrix elements

→ array indexes start from 0

## vectors

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```
v1 = np.array([6, 3, 4, 2])
```

```
print(v1[0]) # to access an specific element  
print(v1[-3]) # can count backwards, -1=end, and so on
```

```
v1[-3] = 5 # or change its value  
print(v1)
```

```
print(v1[1:3]) # open interval (i:f)  
print(v1[:3]) # i=0 if omitted  
print(v1[1:]) # f=-1 if omitted  
print(v1[0:-2]) # counting backwards
```

# Python + numpy : vector and matrix elements

## matrices

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```
m1 = np.array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])  
  
print(m1)  
print(m1[1,2])  
# line 1, column 2 : recalling that starts from 0  
  
print(m1[:,2])  
#[:,2] = [0:-1,2] = all lines, column 2  
  
print(m1[1,:]) # line 1, all columns  
  
print(m1[1:, 1:]) # extracting a submatrix
```

# Python + numpy : linspace vs arange

Important, similar, and confusing ways of defining a discrete axis



## np.linspace

(initial, final, number of points)

```
a = 5    # initial point  
b = 11   # final point  
N = 4    # number of points
```

```
x = np.linspace(a, b, N)  
print(x)
```

```
dx = x[1]-x[0]
```

## np.arange

(initial, final\*, step)

```
a = 5    # initial point  
b = 11   # final* point  
dx = 2   # step size
```

```
x = np.arange(a, b+dx/2, dx)  
print(x)
```

\* open interval

```
N = len(x)
```

# Matplotlib: simple plots

Let's start with some basic plots

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # standard call
plt.rc('font', size=22) # overall font size

k_rng = np.linspace(-50, 50, 100) # elements ( k[i], ek[i] )
ek_rng = 0.5*k**2 # form ordered pairs for the plot

plt.figure(figsize=(6,4)) # figure size in inches [1 in = 2.54 cm ]

#          x      y
plt.plot(k_rng, ek_rng, lw=3, color='red')

plt.xlabel(R'$k$') # R indicates Latex
plt.ylabel(R'$\varepsilon(k)$')
plt.tight_layout() # recenter figure to the visible window
plt.savefig('parabola.png') # relative to running path
plt.show() # to show on screen
```

# Python + numpy: input / output

Check the file termo.dat → 8 columns

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.rc('font', size=22)

→ data = np.loadtxt('termo.dat') # read and store as nd-array

print('lines and cols = ', data.shape)

plt.plot(data[:,0], data[:,1]) # x=col 0, y=col 1
plt.xlabel(R'$T$')
plt.ylabel(R'$\langle S_z^2 \rangle$')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

# Python + numpy: input / output

To save data in a N-columns data file,  
organize it as a matrix.

```
import numpy as np

theta = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 13)
sin = np.sin(theta)
cos = np.cos(theta)

tosave = np.array([theta, sin, cos]) # lines
print('shape = ', tosave.shape)

→ tosave = np.array([theta, sin, cos]).T # transpose to columns
print('shape = ', tosave.shape)

→ np.savetxt('out.dat', tosave)
```

# Exercise: 1D density of states $\leftrightarrow$ data smoothing

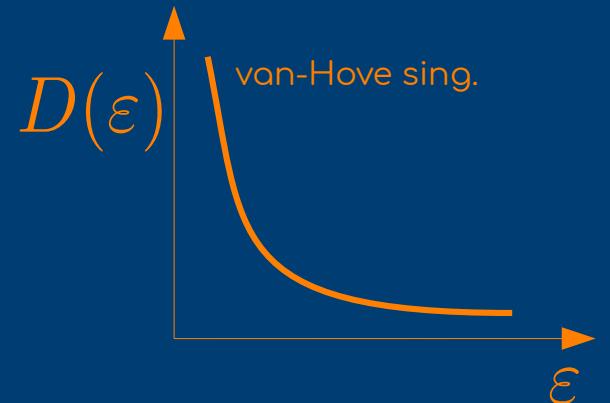
From Solid State Physics:

$$D(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_k \delta(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k) \text{ such that } \rightarrow n_{1\text{D}} = \frac{N}{L} = \int_0^{\varepsilon_F} D(\varepsilon) d\varepsilon$$

If we know the dispersion exactly:  $\varepsilon_k = \frac{1}{2}k^2$

we can proceed to obtain :

$$D(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k) dk = \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{2\varepsilon}}$$



But instead, let us replace delta  $\rightarrow$  gaussian, and sum numerically

$$D(\varepsilon) \approx \frac{\Delta k}{2\pi} \sum_k g(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k)$$

$$g(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon/\sigma)^2 \right]$$

# Exercise: 1D density of states

$$D(\varepsilon) \approx \frac{\Delta k}{2\pi} \sum_k g(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k) \quad \varepsilon_k = \frac{1}{2}k^2 \quad g(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon/\sigma)^2\right]$$

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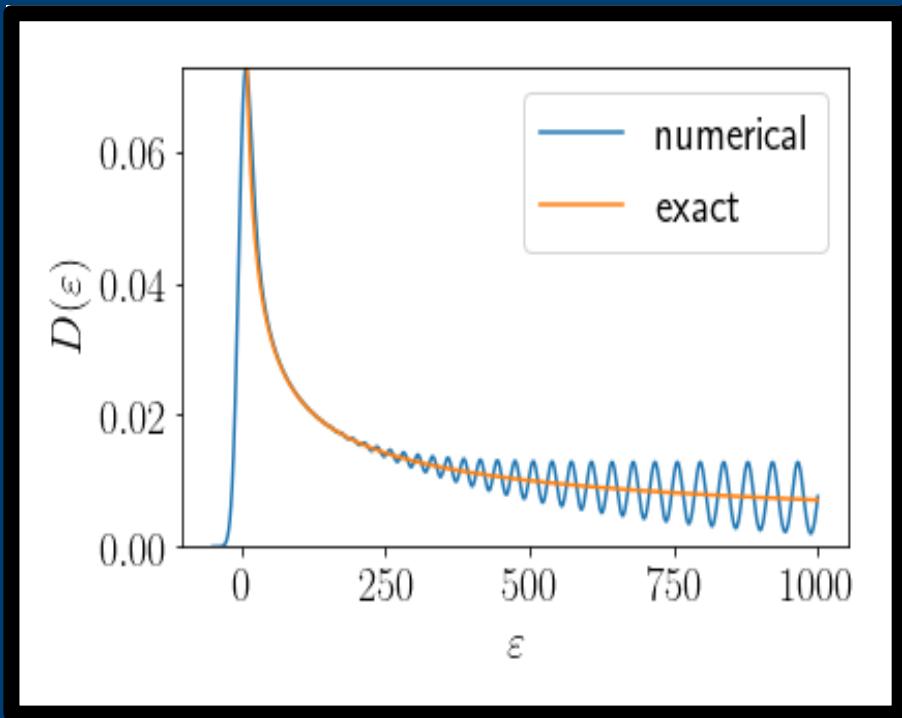
- 1) From the `matplotlib` example, we already have  
 $k \rightarrow k\_rng$ , and  $\varepsilon_k \rightarrow ek\_rng$
- 2) From `k_rng`, calculate  $\Delta k$  (see `linspace`)
- 3) Define a function `gauss( $\varepsilon$ , s)`, following the Gaussian definition above  
→ later we will use  $s \rightarrow \sigma=10$
- 4) Use `linspace` to define an energy range from -50 to 1000 with 1000 points
- 5) Initialize a variable `dos` using `np.zeros(...)` with the same number of points
- 6) Loop over `ek_rng` to sum the `dos`, and plot  $D(\varepsilon)$  vs  $\varepsilon$ . Result → next slide

# Exercise: 1D density of states

$$D(\varepsilon) \approx \frac{\Delta k}{2\pi} \sum_k g(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k) \quad \varepsilon_k = \frac{1}{2}k^2 \quad g(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon/\sigma)^2\right]$$

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7) Try to plot the final figure like this one



- Why are there oscillations?
- Try increasing the number of points in `k_rng`
- Code will be available after the class

# *Numerical calculus and linear algebra*

Simple examples on how to use numpy / lapack

# The numpy & scipy libraries

main libraries for scientific computing in Python

```
import numpy as np  
import scipy as sp
```

Main features:

- ND Arrays = vectors, matrices, tensors
- Linear Algebra = matrix/vector products,  
eigenproblems (LAPACK), decompositions,
- ...
- Fast Fourier Transforms (FFT)
- Input / output
- Special functions
- Integration, differential equations, Runge-Kutta, ...
- Interpolation
- Symbolic mathematics

# Eigenproblem example: infinite quantum well

The discrete kinetic energy is

$$H_k = \frac{1}{2}k^2 = -\frac{1}{2}\partial_x^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & & \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let's calculate its eigenvalues and eigenvectors

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

N = 15 # size of the matrix, well length
Hk = -2*np.diag(np.ones(N)) # diagonal
Hk += np.diag(np.ones(N-1), +1) # top subdiagonal
Hk += np.diag(np.ones(N-1), -1) # lower subdiagonal
Hk *= -1/2 # common prefactor

→ evals, evecs = np.linalg.eigh(Hk)
print('Energies: ', evals[0:3]) # first 3 energies

# trick to add the outer points (boundary condition, psi=0)
evecs_bc = np.vstack([np.zeros(N), evecs, np.zeros(N)])

plt.plot(evecs_bc[:, 0:3]) # plot first three psi
plt.show()
```

# *Data representation*

Floating-point numbers and multiple-precision

# Data representation

Real numbers

Example of exact representations:

$$123.456 = 123456 \times 10^{-3} = 1.23456 \times 10^2$$

significand x base <sup>exponent</sup>

Integers

42 : what is the meaning of all this?

how does the computer store these numbers?

what are the limitations?

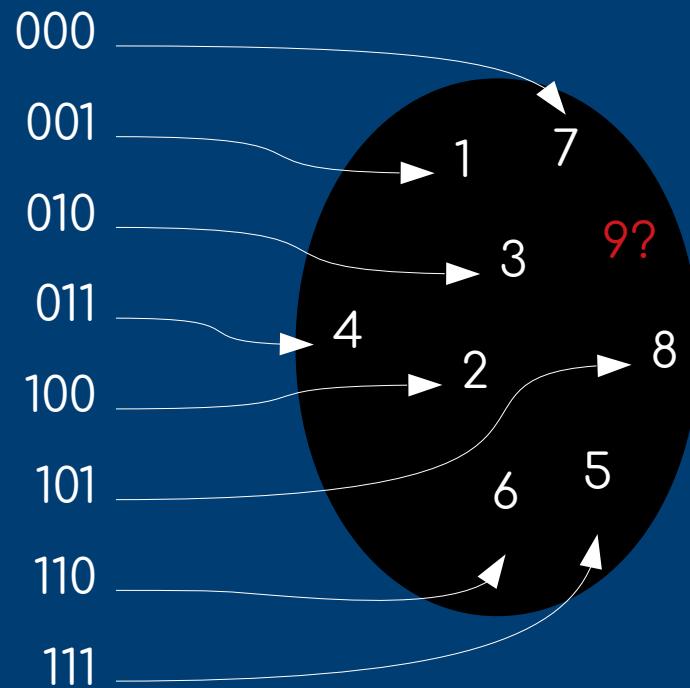
# 8-bits, 16-bits, 32-bits, 64-bits, 128-bits ... ?

(nes, snes, ps, n64, ps2, xbox, ... ;-)

Each CPU implements native **n**-bits operations [ current PCs: 64-bits ]

Example: it limits the memory allocation and data representation

A 3-bit memory controller can only **point** to  $2^3 = 8$  addresses



A 3-bit memory bank can only **represent** 8 abstract entities

000 = apple

001 = avocado

010 = banana

011 = lemon

100 = pineapple

101 = strawberry

110 = kiwi

111 = grape



# Integer representation

From the previous slide, a 3-bit computer can only represent 8 integers

3-bit binary memory

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array} = 1 \times 2^2 + 0 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0 = 5$$

Min:  $(000)_b = 0$   
Max:  $(111)_b = 7$

Signed 32-bit integer standard



$$= (-1)^{b_{31}} \times (b_{30} \times 2^{30} + b_{29} \times 2^{29} + \dots + b_0 \times 2^0)$$

“sign-magnitude representation”

Range 9+ digits

$$\text{Min: } -2^{31} = -2,147,483,648$$
$$\text{Max: } +2^{31}-1 = +2,147,483,647$$

“2's complement representation”

# Real numbers : floating point

significand  $\times$  base<sup>exponent</sup>

Signed 32-bit float standard



While the set of real numbers is dense / continuous...  
only a limited number of entities can be represented on a finite structure  
→ loss of precision

# Comparing real numbers

Let us try this in Python

1) initialize the variables as

```
x = 0.1  
y = 3*x  
z = 0.3
```

2) check the output of the equality tests

```
z == 0.3  
y == 0.3  
y == 3*0.1
```

3) What is happening? Let us print x, y, z with many digits

```
print('x = ', format(x, '0.30f'))  
print('y = ', format(y, '0.30f'))  
print('z = ', format(z, '0.30f'))
```

# Why is $0.1 = 0.1000000000000000555115123126$ ?

If a float is simply stored as **significand**  $\times$  **base** <sup>exponent</sup>  
shouldn't we have  $0.1 = 1 \times 10^{-1}$ ?  
... but computers use **base 2** !!!

Examples

- the fraction  $1/10$  in base 10 is  $0.1$  (exact)
- the fraction  $1/3$  in base 10 is  $0.\overline{3} = 0.333333\dots \sim 0.333334$
- the fraction  $1/10$  in base 2 is  $0.0\overline{0011} = 0.00011001100110011\dots$

An exact fraction in base 10 might be a repeating fraction in base 2

Truncation yields:  $(0.0001100110011)_2 = (0.0999755859375)_{10}$

# Multiple, or arbitrary-precision

Default types:

C

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[int] = 32 bits  
[float] = 32 bits  
[double] = 64 bits  
...

Python

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[int] = arbitrary  
[float] = 64 bits

Allows you to freely choose the precision

Floats: 32 bits ~ 7 digits, 64 bits ~ 16 digits, 128 bits ~ 34 digits

GMP: GNU Multiple Precision Arithmetic Library

[<https://gmplib.org/>]

MPFR: multiple-precision floating-point computations  
with correct rounding

[<https://www.mpfr.org/>]

Python mpmath

[<http://mpmath.org/>]

→ for multiple-precision in Python, uses GMP if available

Python SymPy

[<https://www.sympy.org/>]

→ for **Symbolic** mathematics in Python

# Example in Python

From “Why and How to Use Arbitrary Precision”,

Ghazi et al, Computing in Science & Engineering 12, 62-65 (2010)

Let us try to calculate  $d = 173746a + 94228b - 78487c$ , with

$$a = \sin(10^{22}), b = \log_{10}(17.1), c = \exp(0.42)$$

Standard Python

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```
import numpy as np  
a = np.sin(1e22)  
b = np.log(17.1)  
c = np.exp(0.42)  
d = 173746*a + 94228*b - 78487*c  
print('d =', d)  
2.9103830456733704e-11
```

Exact value:  
 $-1.341818958... \times 10^{-12}$

## The same Python example, but using `mpmath`

```
from mpmath import mp  
mp.dps = 40 # defines the decimal precision  
print(mp) # to check again
```

```
a = mp.sin('1e22')  
b = mp.log('17.1')  
c = mp.exp('0.42')  
d = 173746*a + 94228*b - 78487*c  
print('d = ', d)
```

Exact value:  
-1.341818958... × 10<sup>-12</sup>

-1.34181895782961046706215258814e-12

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Notice that the real numbers are set by strings, otherwise Python would first convert to floating-point and lose precision. TRY IT!

# Overall features of these libraries

	python numpy+scipy	python mpmath	C+GMP+MPFR
Float precision	64 bits	arbitrary	arbitrary
Trigonometric functions + Special functions	<code>np.sin(...)</code> <code>np.exp(...)</code> <code>sp.special.jv(...)</code> <code>sp.special.zeta(...)</code>	<code>mp.sin(...)</code> <code>mp.exp(...)</code> <code>mp.besselj(...)</code> <code>mp.zeta(...)</code>	<code>mpfr_sin(...)</code> <code>mpfr_exp(...)</code> <code>mpfr_jn(...)</code> <code>mpfr_zeta(...)</code>
Numerical calculus	Root finding, sum, quadrature (integrals), differentiation, ODE (RK4), Taylor, Fourier, ...		Check other libraries: GSL  mpack = blas+lapack
Linear algebra	Matrix/vector operations (products, inverse, determinant), SVD, linear systems, eigenproblems, matrix functions ( $\exp$ , $\cos$ , ...), ...		Boost C++ [ <a href="http://www.boost.org">www.boost.org</a> ]

# Exercise: factorial

Let us go back to our factorial implemented on a for loop:

```
def myfactorial(n):
    f = 1
    for i in range(1, n+1):
        f *= i
    return f
```

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1) Try to run it for n=30

→ expected result: 265252859812191058636308480000000

2) Now, change your implementation to have the initial f as a float:

→ f = 1.0

3) And check again for n=10 and n=30. Float → loss of precision!

4) Change the code to initialize f as a multiple precision float