

Module – 1

Importing datasets

1. Important Libraries we'll use:

A. Scientific Computing;

- **Pandas**
 - Data structures and tools for effective data manipulation and analysis
 - 2D tables consisting of columns and row labels, called data frames
- **NumPy**
 - Mostly for arrays, matrices and vectors in I/O form
- **SciPy**
 - Advanced math problems

B. Data Visualisation

- **Matplotlib**
 - for graphs and charts
- **Seaborn** (*Made on top of Matplotlib*)
 - heatmaps, violin plots and timeseries

C. Algorithmic Learning

- **SciKit Learn**
 - statistical modeling
 - regressions, classification and clustering
- **Stats models**
 - exploration datasets
 - estimation of statistical models
 - performing statistical tests

2. Import/Export Data in Python

- Data acquisition
 - Loading & reading data into notebook from various sources
- Important factors to consider:
 - format of files
 - file path
- in csv, each row is a data point
- csv stands for comma separated values
- `.read_csv` method can read csv files in pandas

```
import pandas as pd
url = "url_name"
df = pd.read_csv(url) #the shortname we give to our dataframe
```

- This method **assumes** that our data contains headers, which is not necessarily true
- If no headers are present:

```
pd.read_csv(url, header=None)
```

– Headers are naturally set to integers in this case

- **Printing Datasets**

- printing the entire datasets for verification can be a time consuming task
- we have special functions to limit the no. of printed rows

```
>> df.head(n)
# prints 1st n rows
>> df.tail(n)
# bottom rows
```

- **Headers can be added separately**

- make a list of headers / store them in a list if you already have them in some other format and write this line:

```
df.columns = list_name
```

- After having worked with our data frames, we might want to read it into another csv file or store as another csv file

```
path = "path_name_for_saving/file_name"
df.to_csv(path)
```

- The same principles of I/O apply to these formats as well:
 - json
 - excel
 - sql