

# NumPy

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## 1 What is NumPy

NumPy is a package that allows for manipulation and handling of n-dimensional arrays  
It does effectively in terms of computational time by using C++ code  
We often abbreviate it *np* when we import it

```
[1]: import numpy as np
```

### 1.1 Dimensions in NumPy

Arrays can be of n dimensions where  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$   
Except for zero-dimensional arrays they can be defined from lists or lists of lists

```
[2]: # zero-dimensional array

zero_dim = np.array(0)
print('Zero-dimensional array:')
print('n dimensions: ' + str(zero_dim.ndim))
print('shape: ' + str(zero_dim.shape))
print('values:\n' + str(zero_dim))
print('\n')

# one-dimensional array
a_list = [0, 1] # lists are basic python classes
one_dim = np.array(a_list)
print('One-dimensional array:')
print('n dimensions: ' + str(one_dim.ndim))
print('shape: ' + str(one_dim.shape))
print('values:\n' + str(one_dim))
print('\n')

# two-dimensional array
a_list_of_lists = [[0, 1], [2, 3]] # lists are basic python classes
two_dim = np.array(a_list_of_lists)
```

```

print('Two-dimensional array:')
print('n dimensions: ' + str(two_dim.ndim))
print('shape: ' + str(two_dim.shape))
print('values:\n' + str(two_dim))
print('\n')

# three-dimensional array
a_list_of_lists_of_lists = [[[0, 1], [2, 3]], [[4, 5], [6, 7]]] # lists are ↪
↪basic python classes
three_dim = np.array(a_list_of_lists_of_lists)
print('Three-dimensional array:')
print('n dimensions: ' + str(three_dim.ndim))
print('shape: ' + str(three_dim.shape))
print('values:\n' + str(three_dim))
print('\n')

# and so on ad nauseam

```

Zero-dimensional array:

```

n dimensions: 0
shape: ()
values:
0

```

One-dimensional array:

```

n dimensions: 1
shape: (2,)
values:
[0 1]

```

Two-dimensional array:

```

n dimensions: 2
shape: (2, 2)
values:
[[0 1]
 [2 3]]

```

Three-dimensional array:

```

n dimensions: 3
shape: (2, 2, 2)
values:
[[[0 1]
  [2 3]]

```

```
[[4 5]
 [6 7]]
```

## 1.2 Operations over dimensions

Many operations can be done over specific dimensions

Here, we'll apply `np.mean` in different ways - but first have a look at the default of the *axis* parameter in the documentation, before we carry on.

What does it mean to flatten an array?

```
[3]: ?np.mean
```

### 1.2.1 Flattening an array

Flattening means making the array one-dimensional by stacking the entries horizontally on end of another

```
[4]: print(np.ravel(zero_dim))
      print(np.ravel(one_dim))
      print(np.ravel(two_dim))
      print(np.ravel(three_dim))
```

```
[0]
[0 1]
[0 1 2 3]
[0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7]
```

### 1.2.2 Finding the mean

Now, we'll apply `np.mean` with the default axis (`axis=None`), which results in a single number because it is done over the flattened array

```
[5]: print(np.mean(zero_dim))
      print(np.mean(one_dim))
      print(np.mean(two_dim))
      print(np.mean(three_dim))
```

```
0.0
0.5
1.5
3.5
```

now, we are going to set `axis=0` - why can't we do it for `zero_dim`?

```
[ ]:
```

```
[6]: print('Original data - one dim')
      print(one_dim)
```

```

print('Mean over first axis')
print(np.mean(one_dim, axis=0))
print('\n') # adding a line

print('Original data - two dim')
print(two_dim)
print('Mean over first axis')
print(np.mean(two_dim, axis=0))
print('\n') # adding a line

print('Original data - three dim')
print(three_dim)
print('Mean over first axis')
print(np.mean(three_dim, axis=0))
print('\n') # adding a line

```

```

Original data - one dim
[0 1]
Mean over first axis
0.5

```

```

Original data - two dim
[[0 1]
 [2 3]]
Mean over first axis
[1. 2.]

```

```

Original data - three dim
[[[0 1]
   [2 3]]
  [[4 5]
   [6 7]]]
Mean over first axis
[[2. 3.]
 [4. 5.]]

```

When we are taking the mean over an axis, we are effectively removing that axis by collapsing it to a single number, i.e. the mean. That means that we reduce the number of dimensions by 1

```

[7]: one_dim_0_mean    = np.mean(one_dim,    axis=0)
     two_dim_0_mean    = np.mean(two_dim,    axis=0)
     three_dim_0_mean  = np.mean(three_dim,  axis=0)

```

```

print('n dimensions')
print(one_dim_0_mean.ndim)
print(two_dim_0_mean.ndim)
print(three_dim_0_mean.ndim)

print('shapes')
print(one_dim_0_mean.shape)
print(two_dim_0_mean.shape)
print(three_dim_0_mean.shape)

```

```

n dimensions
0
1
2
shapes
()
(2,)
(2, 2)

```

### 1.2.3 Calculating the means manually

We'll now calculate the means manually to showcase how they are calculated by `np.mean`.

```

[8]: one_dim_0_man_mean = (one_dim[0] + one_dim[1]) / 2
two_dim_0_man_mean = (two_dim[0] + two_dim[1]) / 2 ## == (two_dim[0, :] +
↳ two_dim[1, :])
three_dim_0_man_mean = (three_dim[0] + three_dim[1]) / 2 ## == (three_dim[0, :, :]
↳ + three_dim[1, :, :])

## check whether they agree with the means calculated by np.mean

print('logical tests')
print(one_dim_0_mean == one_dim_0_man_mean)
print(two_dim_0_mean == two_dim_0_man_mean)
print(three_dim_0_mean == three_dim_0_man_mean)
print('\n')

## let's look a bit further at the two- and three-dimensional arrays
print('2d')
print(two_dim[0, :])
print(two_dim[1, :])
print('2d mean')
print(two_dim_0_mean)
print('\n')

print('3d')
print(three_dim[0, :, :])

```

```

print(three_dim[1, :, :])
print('3d mean')
print(three_dim_0_mean)
print('\n')

```

```

logical tests
True
[ True  True]
[[ True  True]
 [ True  True]]

```

```

2d
[0 1]
[2 3]
2d mean
[1. 2.]

```

```

3d
[[0 1]
 [2 3]]
[[4 5]
 [6 7]]
3d mean
[[2. 3.]
 [4. 5.]]

```

### 1.3 Logical indexing

We'll now have a quick look at how to logically index arrays

```

[9]: x = np.arange(0, 10)
     y = np.array([1, 1, 1, 1, 1,
                   2, 2, 2, 2, 2])
     print(x[y == 1])
     print(x[y == 2])
     print(x[y == 3])

     X = np.repeat(x, 10).reshape(10, 10)
     print(X)

     print(X[y==1, y==2])

```

```

[0 1 2 3 4]
[5 6 7 8 9]

```

```
[]  
[[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]  
 [1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]  
 [2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2]  
 [3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3]  
 [4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4]  
 [5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5]  
 [6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6]  
 [7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7]  
 [8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8]  
 [9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9]]  
[0 1 2 3 4]
```