

# **Week 2**Intermediate Python — Data Structures for your Analysis

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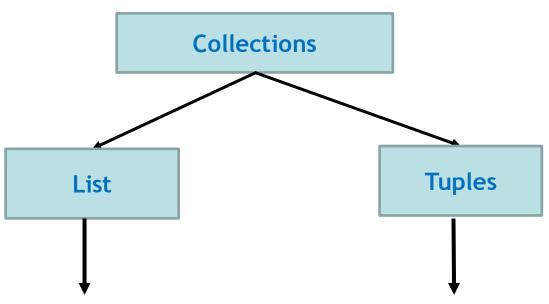
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# **Python Data Structures- Collections**



In addition to basic data types like strings and floating integers, there are collections.



Lists are collections, that are;

- Sequential
- Ordered
- Mutable

Tuples are collections, that are;

- Sequential
- Ordered
- Immutable



# Key properties

- collection of related objects
- \* ordered or sequential collection
- \* mutable. Lists can be modified

# Examples

list\_of\_names = ["John","Jack","Jill","Joan"] list\_of\_tickers = ["AAPL","IONS","GE","DB"]  $list_of_natural_numbers = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7]$ long\_list = [1,['a',['b','c']],43,"Too many cooks spoil the broth"]

objects in a list don't have to be of the same

type

# **Operations on Lists**



long\_list = [1,['a',['b','c']],43,"Too many cooks spoil the broth"]
long\_list.append('Many hands make light work') #adds an item to the back of the list
long\_list[3] #Gets the 4th item in the list
long\_list[1][1][0] #Accessing nested items
long\_list.extend(['e','f']) #appends contents of a list
long\_list.remove(1) #Removes the item with the VALUE 1
long\_list.pop() #Removes and returns the last item
long\_list.pop(1) #Removes and returns the ith item
len(long\_list) #Returns the length of the list

# Lists: Sequential, Ordered Collection



#### Creating lists

```
In [ ]: x = [4,2,6,3] #Create a list with values
    y = list() # Create an empty list
    y = [] #Create an empty list
    print(x)
    print(y)
```

#### Adding items to a list

```
In []: x=list()
    print(x)
    x.append('One') #Adds 'One' to the back of the empty list
    print(x)
    x.append('Two') #Adds 'Two' to the back of the list ['One']
    print(x)

In []: x.insert(0, 'Half') #Inserts 'Half' at location 0. Items will shift to make roomw
    print(x)

In []: x=list()
    x.extend([1,2,3]) #Unpacks the list and adds each item to the back of the list
    print(x)
```

#### Indexing and slicing

```
In []: x=[1,7,2,5,3,5,67,32]
    print(len(x))
    print(x[3])
    print(x[2:5])
    print(x[-1])
    print(x[::-1])
```

#### Removing items from a list

```
In [ ]: x=[1,7,2,5,3,5,67,32]
    x.pop() #Removes the last element from a list
    print(x)
    x.pop(3) #Removes element at item 3 from a list
    print(x)
    x.remove(7) #Removes the first 7 from the list
    print(x)
```

#### Anything you want to remove must be in the list or the location must be inside the list

```
In [ ]: x.remove(20)
```

#### Mutablility of lists

# Mutability: Lists are mutable



### Contents of a list can be changed

#### Examples

$$x = [1,2,3,4]$$
  
 $x[0]=8 \longrightarrow [8,2,3,4]$ 

immutable: data objects that cannot be changed e.g. the number 5 is immutable (we can't make it into an 8!)

mutable: data objects that can be changed e.g., a list of objects owned by Jack and Jill ['pail','water'] (it can be changed to ['pail'])

int, str, bool, float are immutable
list objects are mutable
every python object is either mutable or immutable

## Mutable vs Immutable: What's the difference?

def eggs(item,total=0): total+=item return total print(eggs(1)) print(eggs(2)) def spam(elem,some\_list=[]):
 some\_list.append(elem)
 return some\_list
print(spam(1))
print(spam(2))



```
price = ("20150904",545.23)

price[0] -> "20140904"

price[1] --> 545.23

price[1]=26.3 --> TypeError

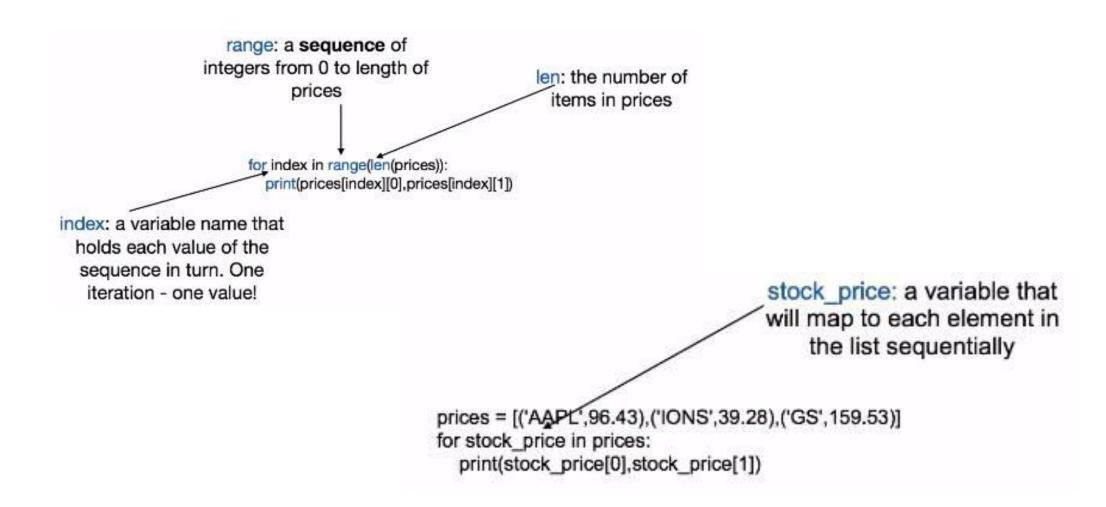
price[2] --> IndexError
```

Tuples are just like lists except they are not mutable (cannot be changed)

All list operations, except for the ones that change the value of a list, are also valid tuple operations

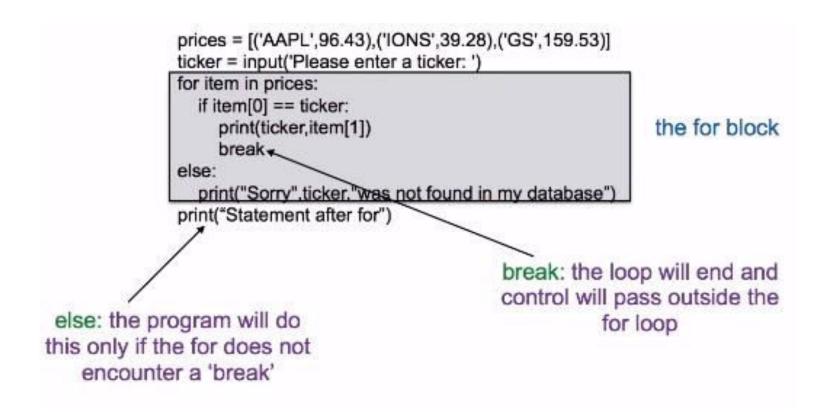
# Iterating Using Location Indices and Accessing Items Sequentially





# Controlling Iteration: Break and Else





# **Iteration**



# Range iteration

```
In [ ]: #The for loop creates a new variable (e.g., index below)
           #range(len(x)) generates values from 0 to len(x)
           x=[1,7,2,5,3,5,67,32]
           for index in range(len(x)):
                 print(x[index])
In [ ]: list(range(len(x)))
         List element iteration
In [25]: x=[1,7,2,5,3,5,67,32]
         for element in X: FThe for draws elements - sequentially - from the list x and uses the variable "element" to store val
         32
         Practice problem
         Write a function search_list that searches a list of tuple pairs and returns the value associated with the first element of the pair
 In [ ]: def search_list(list_of_tuples, value):
             #Write the function here
 In [ ]: prices = [('AAPL',96.43),('IONS',39.28),('GS',159.53)]
         ticker = 'IONS'
         print(search_list(prices, ticker))
         Dictionaries
 In [ ]: mktcaps = {'AAFL':538.7,'GOOG':68.7,'IONS':4.6}
 In [ ]: mktcaps['AAFL'] #Returns the value associated with the key "AAFL"
 In [ ]: mktcaps['GS'] #Error because GS is not in mktcaps
```



# Dictionaries are collections that are;

- Unordered
- Pair of elements with a key and a value
- Access values through keys
- Keys are immutable

# Sets are collections that are;

- Unordered
- Collection of unique elements
- Does not contain key-value pairs
- Values are immutable

# **Dictionaries: Key-value Pairs**



mktcaps = {'AAPL':538.7,'GOOG':68.7,'IONS':4.6}
mktcaps['AAPL'] #key-based retrieval
print(mktcaps['AAPL'])
mktcaps['GE'] #error (no "GE")
'GE' in mktcaps
mktcaps.keys() #returns a list of keys
sorted(mktcaps.keys()) #returns a sorted list of keys

```
Dictionaries
In [50]: Mktcapa = ('AAFL':538.7,'GOOG':68.7,'IOMS':4.6)
         type(mktcape)
         вилсеря
Out[50]: ('AAPL': 538.7, 'GOOG': 68.7, 'DOMS': 4.6)
In [47]: mktcaps['AAPL'] FReturns the value associated with the key "AAPL"
044[47]: 538.7
In [48]: mktcapa["GB"] Firror because dB is not in mktcaps
                                                  Traceback (most recent call last)
         <ipython-isput-48-40312e9444ed> in <module>()
         ---- 1 mktcaps['GS'] #Error because GS is not in mktcaps
         Reytrror: 'GS'
In [49]: Mktcape.get('GA') #Meturns None because GS is not in mktcaps
In [51]: matcapa['GS'] = #8.65 #Adds GS to the dictionary
         print(mktcaps)
        ('AAPL': 538.7, 'GOOG': 68.7, 'DOMS': 4.6, 'GS': 88.65)
In [52]: del(mktcape['GOOG']) #Removes GOOG from mktcaps
         print(mateaps)
         ('AAPL': 538.7, 'IONS': 4.6, 'GS': 88.65)
In [53]: Extraps.keys() #Heturns all the keys
Out[53]: 6164_keys(('AAFL', 'IONS', 'GS'))
In [ ]: matcaps.values() /Neturns all the values
In [ ]: sorted(mktcaps.keys | h
```





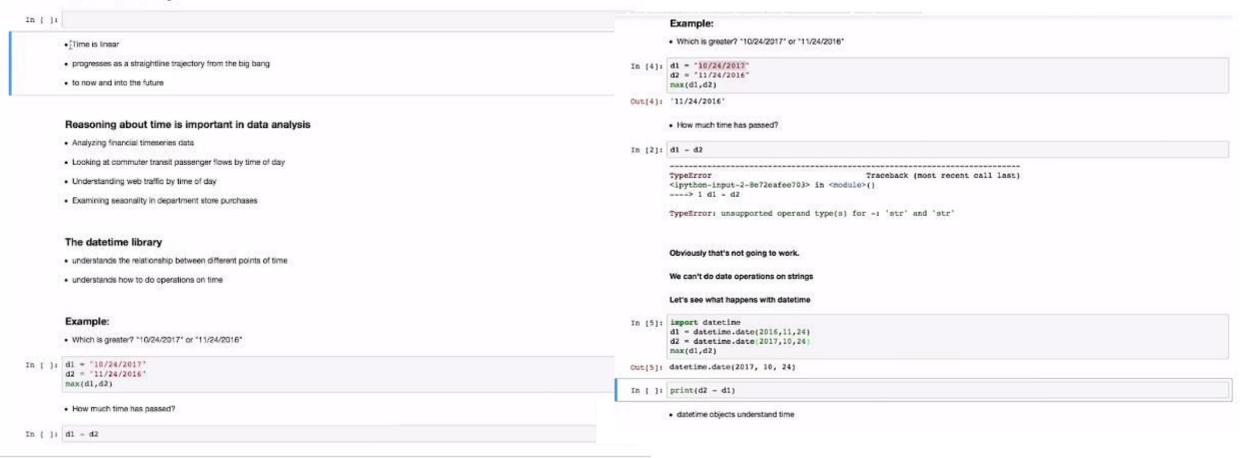
```
tickers={"AAPL","GE","NFLX","IONS"}
regions={"North East","South","West coast","Mid-
West"}
"AAPL" in tickers #membership test
"IBM" not in tickers #non-membership test
pharma_tickers={"IONS","IMCL"}
tickers.isdisjoint(pharma_tickers) #empty intersection
pharma_tickers <= tickers #subset test
pharma_tickers < tickers #proper-subset test
tickers > pharma_tickers #superset
tickers & pharma_tickers #intersection
tickers | pharma_tickers #union
tickers - pharma_tickers #set difference
```

# The Datetime Library



In Python, the 'datetime' library is an extremely useful library for data analysis because time is a critical data element.

#### datetime library



# The Datetime Library: Types 1

#### The datetime library contains several useful types

- · date: stores the date (month,day,year)
- . time; stores the time (hours, minutes, seconds)
- · datetime: stores the date as well as the time (month,day,year,hours,minutes,seconds)
- · timedelta: duration between two datetime or date objects

#### datetime.date

```
In {7}: import datetine
    century_start = datetime.date(2000,1,1)
    today = datetime.date.today()
    print(century_start,today)
    print("We are",today-century_start,"days into this century")

2000-01-01 2017-05-09
We are 6338 days, 0:00:00 days into this century
```

#### For a cleaner output

```
In [8]: print("We are",(today-century_start).days,"days into this century")
We are 6338 days into this century
```

#### datetime.datetime

```
In []: century_start = datetime.datetime(2000,1,1,0,0,0)
    time_now = datetime.datetime.now()
    print(century_start,time_now)
    print("we are",time_now = century_start,"days, hour, minutes and seconds into this century")
```

#### datetime objects can check validity

· A ValueError exception is raised if the object is invalid



#### datetime.timedelta

Used to store the duration between two points in time

```
In [15]: century_start = datetime.datetime.(2000,1,1,0,0,0)
time_now = datetime.datetime.now()
time_stince_century_start = time_now = century_start
print("days since_century_start", time_since_century_start.days)
print("accounds_since_century_start", time_since_century_start.total_seconds())
print("minutes_since_century_start", time_since_century_start.total_seconds()/60)
print("hours_since_century_start", time_since_century_start.total_seconds()/60/60)
days_since_century_start_6338
seconds_since_century_start_547640865.589801
minutes_since_century_start_9127347.759830017
```

#### datetime.time

In [16]: date\_and\_time\_now = datetime.datetime.now()
 time\_now = date\_and\_time\_now.time()
 print(time\_now)

10:28:06.130552

#### You can do arithmetic operations on datetime objects

hours since century start 152122.4626638336

. You can use timedelta objects to calculate new dates or times from a given date

```
In [ ]:
    today=datetime.date.today()
    five_days_later+today+datetime.timedelta(days=5)
    print(five_days_later)

In [ ]: now=datetime.datetime.today()
    five_minutes_and_five_seconds_later = now + datetime.timedelta(minutes=5, seconds=5)
    print(five_minutes_and_five_seconds_later)

In [ ]: now=datetime.datetime.today()
    five_minutes_and_five_seconds_earlier = now+datetime.timedelta(minutes=-5, seconds=-5)
    print(five_minutes_and_five_seconds_earlier)
```

. But you can't use timedelta on time objects. If you do, you'll get a TypeError exception

In 1 1: time now-datetime.datetime.now().time() #Returns the time component (drops the day)

# The Datetime Library: Types 2



#### NAME

strptime - date and time conversion

The locale's equivalent of a.m or p.m.

#### SYNOPSIS

#### DESCRIPTION

The strptime() function shall convert the character string pointed to by buf to values which are stored in the tm structure pointed to by tm, using the format specified by format.

12-hour clock time using the AM/PM notation if t. fmt. ampm is not an empty string in the LC. TIME portion of the current locale; in the POSIX locale, this shall be equivalent to %1 : %5 %p.

The format is composed of zero or more directives. Each directive is composed of one of the following: one or more white-space characters (as specified by (aspace()); an ordinary character (neither '\*\* nor a white-space character); or a conversion specification. Each conversion specification is composed of a '\* character followed by a conversion specifications. The application shall ensure that there is white-space or other non-alphanumeric characters between any two conversions specifications. The following conversions specifications are supported:

The day of the week, using the locale's weekday names; either the abbreviated or full name may be specified. 84 Equivalent to %a... The month, using the locale's month names; either the abbreviated or full name may be specified. Equivalent to %b. Replaced by the locale's appropriate date and time representation. The century number [00,99]; leading zeros are permitted but not required. The day of the month [01,31]; leading zeros are permitted but not required. The date as %m / %d / %y. Equivalent to %d. The hour (24-hour clock) [00,23]; leading zeros are permitted but not required. The hour (12-hour clock) [01,12]; leading zeros are permitted but not required. The day number of the year [001,366]; leading zeros are permitted but not required. The month number [01,12]; leading zeros are permitted but not required The minute [00,59]; leading zeros are permitted but not required. Any white space.

# **Datetime and Strings**



#### datetime and strings

```
More often than not, the program will need to get the date or time from a string;

From a website (bus/train timings)

From a file (date or datetime associated with a stock price)

From the user (from the input statement)

Python needs to parse the string so that it correctly creates a date or time object
```

#### datetime.strptime

- · datetime.strptime(): grabs time from a string and creates a date or datetime or time object
- . The programmer needs to tell the function what format the string is using
- See http://pubs.opengroup.org/onlinepubs/009695399/functions/strprime.html for how to specify the format.



#### **Bucketing time**

The file "sample\_data.csv" contains start times and processing times for all complaints registered with New York City's 311 complaint hotline on 01/01/2016. Our goal is to compute the average processing time for each hourly bucket.

Let's take a quick look at the data

```
In [1]: #Unfortunate1, this won't wDrk on Windows.

Thead sample_data.csv

2016-01-01 00:00:09,0.0815162037037037
2016-01-01 00:00:40,0.1334837962962963
2016-01-01 00:01:09,20.388726851851853
2016-01-01 00:02:59,0.9811458333333334
2016-01-01 00:03:03,7.04897638888889
2016-01-01 00:03:03,7.0408810185185185
2016-01-01 00:03:29,0.110888055555555
2016-01-01 00:04:06,0.016967592592592593
2016-01-01 00:04:37,0.1597222222222222
2016-01-01 00:04:56,2.996585648148148
```

#### Step 1: Read the data

#### Let's look at the first 10 lines

```
In [ ]: data_tuples[0:10]
```

- . Element 1 of the tuple is a date inside a string
- . Element 2 is double inside a string
- · Let's convert them

#### We can replace the datetime by hourly buckets

Out[8]: [[datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 0, 9), 0.08151620370370370], [datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 0, 40), 0.1334837962963963], [datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 1, 9), 20.388726831851853],

> [datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 2, 59], 0.981145833333334], [datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 3, 3), 7.048576388888889], [datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 3, 3), 0.1400810185185185],

[datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 3, 29], 0.1108680555555555],

[datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 4, 6), 0.016967592592592593],

[datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 4, 37], 0.159722222222222],

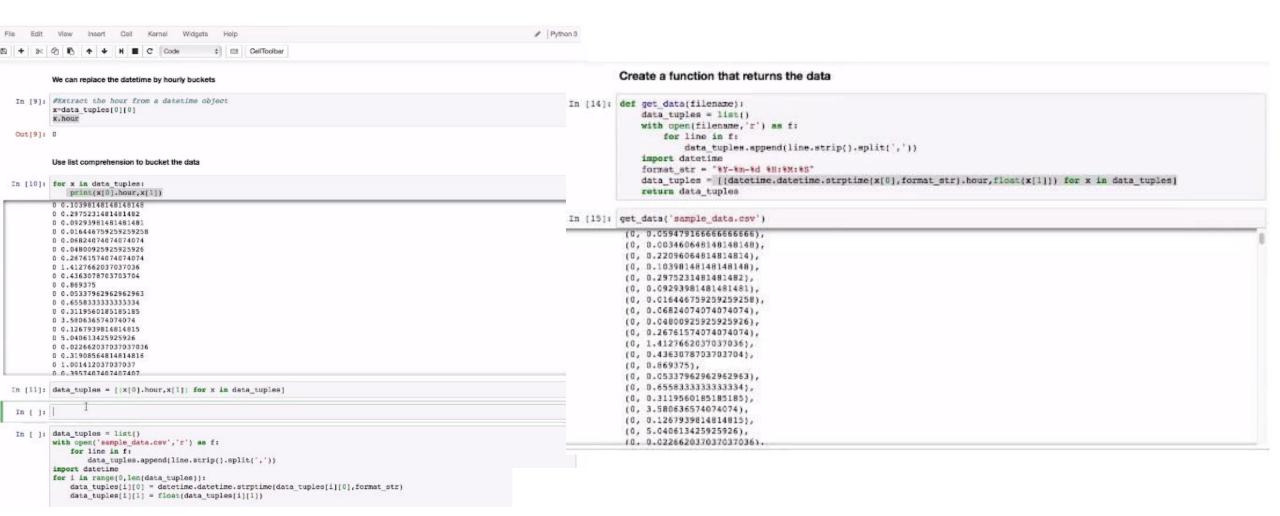
[datetime.datetime(2016, 1, 1, 0, 4, 56), 2.996585648148148]]

In [8]: #Let's see if this worked

data tuples[0:10]

```
In | 1: #Extract the hour from a datetime object x=data_tuples[0][0] x.hour
```







#### Let's print them to see what sort of pattern is there in the data

Bear in mind that this is just one day's data!

```
In [19]: for key, value in buckets.items():
             print("Bour:", key, "\tAverage:", value(1)/value(0))
         Hours 0
                          Average: 0.6570511564469035
         Hour: 1
                          Average: 2.9613477328431377
         Hourt 2
                          Average: 2,334965452261305
         Hour: 3
                          Average: 3.0839338759007866
         Hour: 4
                          Average: 4.663183017810805
         Hours 5
                          Average: 2,550054976851854
         Hour: 6
                          Average: 5.344349826388891
         Hours 7
                          Average: 2.5844597678664565
         Hour: 8
                          Average: 6.0724520669659565
         Hours 9
                          Average: 8.564869090207626
         Hour: 10
                          Average: 12.671294691132733
         Hours 11
                         Average: 5.901653566341063
         Hour: 12
                          Average: 13.66402543540564
         Hour: 13
                          Average: 8.593492462013293
         Hour: 14
                          Average: 8.100135135135135
         Hour: 15
                          Average: 12.776634463154863
         Hour: 16
                          Average: 10.943701434277418
         Hour: 17
                          Average: 6.634365784623489
         Hours 18
                         Average: 7.324956692612944
         Hour: 19
                          Average: 9.098796085858586
         Hours 20
                         Average: 5.199433822667603
         Bour: 21
                          Average: 4.74319171267541
         Hours 22
                         Average: 8.449229102956167
         Hour: 23
                         Average: 5.184938602292768
```

#### Step 2: Accumulate counts and sums for each bucket

```
In [16]: buckets = dict()
         for item in get data('sample data.csv'):
             if item[0] in buckets:
                  buckets[item[0]][0] += 1
                  buckets[item[0]][1] += item[1]
                  buckets[item[0]] = [1,item[1]]
In [17]; buckets
Out[17]: {0: [241, 158.34932870370175],
          1: [340, 1006.8582291666668],
          2: [199, 464.6581249999997],
          3: [221, 681.5493865740739],
          4: [157, 732.1197337962964],
          5: [112, 285.60615740740764],
          6: [80, 427.54798611111124],
          7: [71, 183.4966435185184],
          8: [99, 601.1727546296297],
          9: [132, 1130.5627199074067],
          10; [137, 1735.9673726851845],
          11: [182, 1074.1009490740735],
          12: [168, 2295.5562731481473],
          13: [195, 1675.7310300925922],
          14: [185, 1498.5249999999999],
          15: [193, 2465.890451388889],
          16: [204, 2232.515092592593],
          17: [211, 1399.851180555556],
          18: [182, 1333.1421180555558],
          19: [165, 1501.3013541666667],
          20: [158, 821.5105439814813],
          21: [161, 763.653865740741],
          22: [218, 1841.9319444444443],
          23: [210, 1088.8371064814814]}
```



#### Put everything into a function

(5, 2.550054976851854),

(6, 5.344349826388891),

(7, 2.5844597678664565), (8, 6.0724520669659565), (9, 8.564869090207626),

This way, we can easily test other similar datasets

```
In [20]: def get hour bucket averages(filename):
             def get data(filename);
                 data tuples = list()
                 with open(filename, 'r') as f:
                     for line in f:
                          data tuples.append(line.strip().split(','))
                 import datetime
                 format str = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S"
                 data tuples = [(datetime.datetime.strptime(x[0],format str).hour,float(x[1])) for x in data tuples}
             buckets = dict()
             for item in get data(filename):
                 if item[0] in buckets:
                     buckets[item[0]][0] += 1
                     buckets[item[0]][1] += item[1]
                 alse:
                      buckets[item[0]] = [1,item[1]]
             return ((key, value[1]/value[0]) for key, value in buckets.items()]
In [21]: get hour bucket averages ('sample data.csv')
Out[21]: ((0, 0.6570511564469035),
          (1, 2.9613477328431377),
          (2, 2.334965452261305),
          (3, 3.0839338759007866),
          (4, 4.663183017810805),
```

#### The file all\_data.csv contains data from January to September 2016

We can test whether our one day result is generally true or not

```
In (2): get hour bucket averages ('all data.csv')
Cut[2]: [(0, 4.485612099128487),
         (1, 2.8263083049680278),
         (2, 2.859209391496003),
         (3, 2.9813212672915657),
         (4, 3,520777693173893),
         (5, 4.028842839550067),
         (6, 5.3501635819789914),
         (7, 4.305984716000046),
         (8, 5.090230597495249),
         (9, 6.767684356105564),
         (10, 7.252764762298842),
         (11, 7.156706204701707),
         (12, 7.422673351052525),
         (13, 7.402425948682307),
         (14, 7.546603227374128),
         (15, 8.001251635520441),
         (16, 8.191847429766709),
         (17, 7,275740883284791),
         (18, 6.464817194100053),
         (19, 5.6403138675375155),
         (20, 4.989414785443646),
         (21, 4.275270320395889),
         (22, 3.5846441619204086),
         (23, 3.0346464768596855)]
```



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