

for example, if we combine a column vector and a row vector within the indices, we get a two-dimensional result:

```
In[7]: X[row[:, np.newaxis], col]
Out[7]: array([[ 2,  1,  3],
               [ 6,  5,  7],
               [10,  9, 11]])
```

Here, each row value is matched with each column vector, exactly as we saw in broadcasting of arithmetic operations. For example:

```
In[8]: row[:, np.newaxis] * col
Out[8]: array([[0, 0, 0],
               [2, 1, 3],
               [4, 2, 6]])
```

It is always important to remember with fancy indexing that the return value reflects the *broadcasted shape of the indices*, rather than the shape of the array being indexed.

## Combined Indexing

For even more powerful operations, fancy indexing can be combined with the other indexing schemes we've seen:

```
In[9]: print(X)
[[ 0  1  2  3]
 [ 4  5  6  7]
 [ 8  9 10 11]]
```

We can combine fancy and simple indices:

```
In[10]: X[2, [2, 0, 1]]
Out[10]: array([10,  8,  9])
```

We can also combine fancy indexing with slicing:

```
In[11]: X[1:, [2, 0, 1]]
Out[11]: array([[ 6,  4,  5],
               [10,  8,  9]])
```

And we can combine fancy indexing with masking:

```
In[12]: mask = np.array([1, 0, 1, 0], dtype=bool)
        X[row[:, np.newaxis], mask]
Out[12]: array([[ 0,  2],
               [ 4,  6],
               [ 8, 10]])
```

All of these indexing options combined lead to a very flexible set of operations for accessing and modifying array values.

## Example: Selecting Random Points

One common use of fancy indexing is the selection of subsets of rows from a matrix. For example, we might have an  $N$  by  $D$  matrix representing  $N$  points in  $D$  dimensions, such as the following points drawn from a two-dimensional normal distribution:

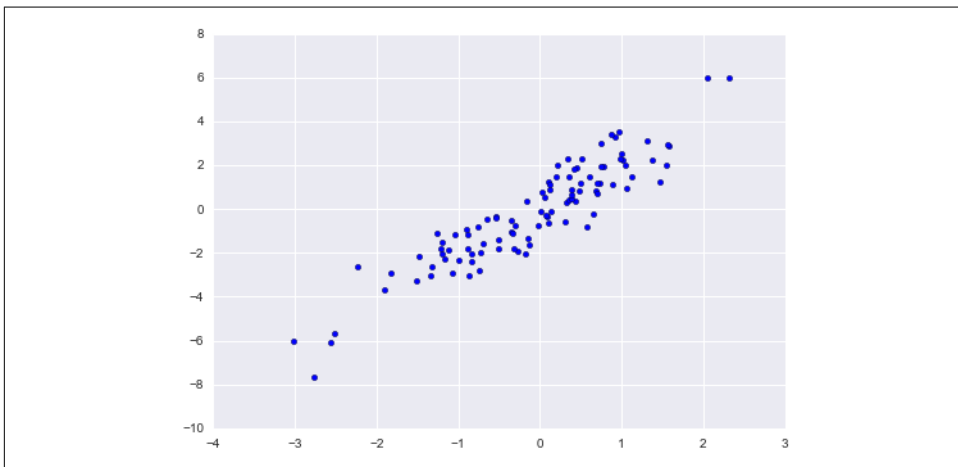
```
In[13]: mean = [0, 0]
        cov = [[1, 2],
               [2, 5]]
        X = rand.multivariate_normal(mean, cov, 100)
        X.shape
```

```
Out[13]: (100, 2)
```

Using the plotting tools we will discuss in [Chapter 4](#), we can visualize these points as a scatter plot ([Figure 2-7](#)):

```
In[14]: %matplotlib inline
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import seaborn; seaborn.set() # for plot styling

        plt.scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1]);
```



*Figure 2-7. Normally distributed points*

Let's use fancy indexing to select 20 random points. We'll do this by first choosing 20 random indices with no repeats, and use these indices to select a portion of the original array:

```
In[15]: indices = np.random.choice(X.shape[0], 20, replace=False)
        indices
```

```
Out[15]: array([93, 45, 73, 81, 50, 10, 98, 94,  4, 64, 65, 89, 47, 84, 82,
               80, 25, 90, 63, 20])
```