Introduction to computing and data handling 2023

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>>>plt.plot(lamda,Weins)

#2nd case

>>>plt.plot(lamda, approx)
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Why do we have to make variable or function named *approx*? What goes wrong in plotting if you have a 30 element array for RJ and a 70 element array named Weins?

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Need of log scale - if there is a dramatic variation along any of the axes, use log scale to capture the behaviour of the quantity better. There are two ways a log plot can be done. Either using functions *plt.loglog*, *plt.semilogx*, & *plt.semilogy*

OR

Using functions plt.xscale & plt.yscale

Next our aim is to generate (nearly) "publication quality" figures.

Find out (i) how to label axes using functions *plt.xlabel* and *plt.ylabel*, (ii) how to set x and y ranges using *plt.xlim* and *plt.ylim*, (iii) how to add a legend to the curve using *label="text"* in the plot command along with *plt.legend* afterwards, (iv) how to change plot styles.

There are more controls possible. You can explore yourself.

Back to numpy array

Numpy arrays are powerful tools for numerical computing*. So far we have only seen 1-dimensional arrays. It is possible to create arrays of any dimensions.

Let us create

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>>>y = np.array([ [2., 15., -5., 0.9])
>>>z = np.array([ [2., 15., -5., 0.9],[10., 25., 8., 0.001] ] )
```

Use functions

len

np.shape

np.size

and see how the results differ. Which function will you use to find out the dimensions of an n-dimension array ?

Create an n dimension array of arbitrary n using np.reshape

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>>>y.reshape(2,2)
>>>w = np.arange(1,5)
>>>w.reshape(2,2)
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Follow the same method, use arange and create a 3 dimensional array.

^{*} Numpy arrays can be made out of strings also. But we'll focus on floats and integers.

Array slicing.

To slice a numpy array, the syntax is *a*[*start:end:step*, *start:end:step*,]

The slicing details on each axis is given separated by comma. The start:end:step will give the details of how an axis should be sliced. That is, [*start:end:step*] will result in index = *start*, *start+step*, *start+2.*step.... start+n*step*, where *start+n*step< end*

Let us take it as a write it in this form. The below is a 3X4 matrix.

| a ₀₀ | a ₀₁ | a ₀₂ | a ₀₃ | Zeroth row |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| a ₁₀ | a ₁₁ | a ₁₂ | a ₁₃ | First row |
| a ₂₀ | a ₂₁ | a ₂₂ | a ₂₃ | Second row |
| Column 0 | Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 | |

Let us say, row number is decided by index j and column number by index k. Operation [0:1:1] on row will give row number 0, ie, j=0, operation [0:1:1] on column will give column number 0, ie., k=0 leading to a_{00} as the answer. If you consider [0:3:2] on the row, the row indices resulted are j=0,2. If you consider [1:3:1] on the column, it will lead to k=1,2 (3 is not included that is, the end index is not included). Therefore the final result will be

 a_{01} a_{02}

a22

 a_{21}

Example: Use the numpy array *slice_test* given below and make various slices.

This matrix has three rows and 4 columns

>>>np.shape(slice_test) #will give you(3,4)

| 2.0 | 15.0 | -5.0 | 0.9 | Zeroth row |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|
| 10 | 25 | 8 | 0.001 | First row |
| 12.0 | 89 | 0.5 | -2.4 | Second row |
| Column 0 | Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 | |

Try out different slices and see what you get. On the other way round, see what operation you need to get a particular slice.

For example the above slicing will lead to a 2X2 matrix

15.0 -5.0

89. 0.5

If you do z [0:1:1,0:1:1] you will get the zeroth row and zeroth column, i.e, just element 2.