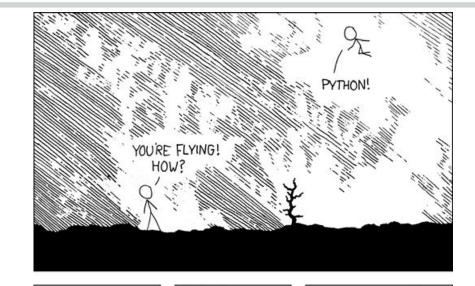
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Lecture 3: Python for Data Science I

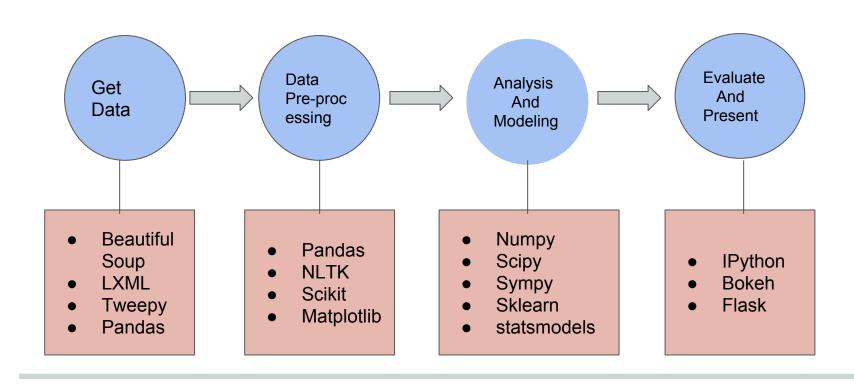




Lecture Goals

- Overview of how to use Python for Data Science.
- Not a Python 101
 - Assume you already know Python or are willing to learn.
 - See http://www.learnpython.org/
- Learn by example
 - Demonstrate by solving actual problems.

Data Science with Python



Step 1: Get Data

- Several Python packages to easily scrape and download data
 - HTML and XML: Beautiful Soup
 - Twitter: Tweepy
 - Reddit: PRAW
 - Wikipedia Processing: wikipedia
 - Stackoverflow PyStackExchange

Example

 Scrape IMDB and get actor names and characters in Shawshank Redemption



Sample code using Beautiful Soup

```
link = 'http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0111161/?ref_=nv_sr_1'
movie_page = requests.get(link)
# Strain the cast_list table from the movie_page
soup = BeautifulSoup(movie_page.content)
# Iterate through rows and extract the name and character
# Remember that some rows might not be a row of interest (e.g., a blank
# row for spacing the layout). Therefore, we need to use a try-except
# block to make sure we capture only the rows we want, without python
# complainina.
for row in soup.find_all('tr'):
    try:
        actor = clean_text(row.find(itemprop='name').text)
        character = clean_text(row.find(class_='character').text)
        print '\t'.join([actor, character])
    except AttributeError:
        pass
```

See https://raw.githubusercontent.com/5harad/datascience/master/webscraping/01-bs/get_cast_from_movie.py for full code

Using Pandas to load CSV or Tables

- Pandas is spreadsheet software for Python
 - A table is called a DataFrame
 - A 1-D array of numbers is called a Series
- Important Features
 - Easily load CSV, TSV files
 - Can easily load data in chunks if needed.
 - Support group-by, indexing, selection, merge operations
 - Data Analysis Functions like mean, median

Example

 Load data containing height in centimeters of boys and girls through ages 2, 9,18 years.

```
import pandas as pd
df = pd.read_csv('children_heights.csv', '\t')
```

	Boys_2	Boys_9	Boys_18	Girls_2	Girls_9	Girls_18
0	90.2	139.4	179.0	83.8	136.5	169.6
1	91.4	144.3	195.1	86.2	137.0	166.8
2	86.4	136.5	183.7	85.1	129.0	157.1
3	87.6	135.4	178.7	88.6	139.4	181.1
4	86.7	128.9	171.5	83.0	125.6	158.4
5	88.1	136.0	181.8	88.9	137.1	165.6

Step 2: Preprocessing

- Raw data might need to be pre-processed
- Specialized packages might need to be used based on type of data
 - Numeric Data: numpy, pandas
 - Text Data: NLTK
 - Image Data: scikit-image
- Preprocess the data only once! Don't waste
 CPU cycles doing it each time!

Example: Textual Data

Split text into sentences

```
import nltk
sents = 'What is this life if full of care we have no time to stand and stare! A thing of beauty is a joy forever.'
nltk.sent_tokenize(sents)
```

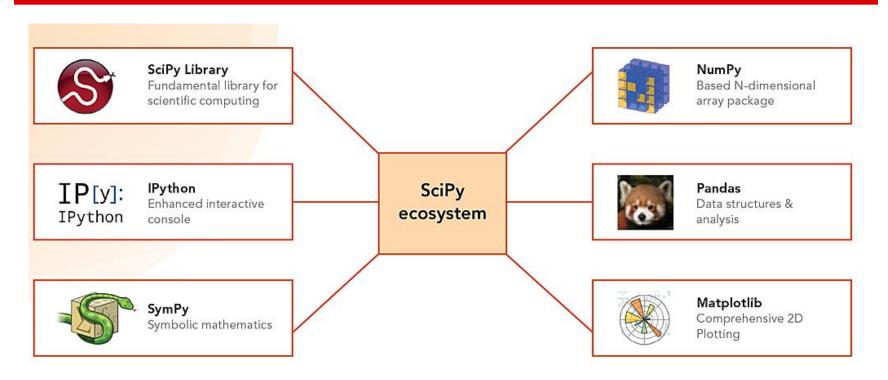
Output

```
['What is this life if full of care we have no time to stand and stare!', 'A thing of beauty is a joy forever.']
```

Step 3: Modeling and Analysis

- Build or infer a mathematical model for the problem
- The Scientific Python (Scipy) stack is most useful in this step
- Several Distributions (pre-packaged) available:
 - Enthought
 - Anaconda

Scientific Python Eco-system



http://www.esri.com/~/media/Images/Content/news/arcuser/0115/scipy_2-lg.jpg

Numpy overview

- Provides a fast, efficient implementation of N-d array (ndarray)
- Several statistical operations supported:np.mean, np.std, np.median
- Supports linear algebra operations: dot product, cross product
- Fast Fourier Transforms, Signal Processing operations also supported

Using Numpy Example

• Invert the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Sample code using Numpy

```
import numpy as np
# Create the matrix we want to invert
A = np.array([[2,3],[2,2]])
# Invert the matrix using linalg.inv
AI = np.linalg.inv(A)
# Print the inverse out
```

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Scipy overview

- Package containing extensive functionality for use by scientists
 - Linear Algebra (scipy.linalg)
 - Optimization (scipy.optimize)
 - Statistics (scipy.stats)
 - Signal Processing: (scipy.signal)
 - Special functions (like Gamma): (scipy.special)

Using SciPy example

- A car's velocity in (mph) at time t is given by:
 25 + 10t. Find the distance in miles covered by the car in 3 hours.
- Solution: 120 miles

```
# Velocity of car
def velocity(t):
    return 25 + 10.0*t

# Integrate velocity from from 0 to 3
distance = scipy.integrate.quad(velocity, 0, 3)
print "Distance", distance
```

SymPy overview

- Symbolic Manipulation in Python
- Supports differentiation, integration, simplifying equations etc
- Useful in modeling especially machine learning
- Most used for computing exact solutions

Using SymPy

Differentiate an expression analytically

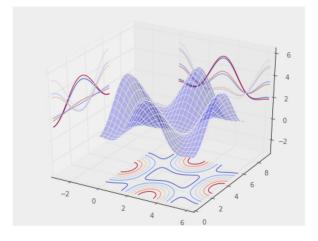
```
import sympy
from sympy import sin, cos
from sympy.abc import x, y
# Differentiate below expression
sympy.diff(x^{**2} + x^{**3} + \cos(x), x)
Derivative is: 3*x**2 + 2*x - sin(x)
```

Visualization in Python: Matplotlib

- Matplotlib is basic plotting library in Python
- Can easily create figures and manipulate them
- Support for
 - Scatter plots
 - Charts
 - Bar Charts, Pie Charts
 - Box and Whisker Plots
 - Lines

Example Visualiztion

```
from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d.axes3d import Axes3D
alpha = 0.7
phi_ext = 2 * np.pi * 0.5
def flux_qubit_potential(phi_m, phi_p):
    return 2 + alpha - 2 * np.cos(phi_p)*np.cos(phi_m) - alpha * np.cos(phi_ext - 2*phi_p)
phi_m = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 100)
phi_p = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 100)
X,Y = np.meshgrid(phi_p, phi_m)
Z = flux_qubit_potential(X, Y).T
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
ax = fig.add_subplot(1,1,1, projection='3d')
ax.plot_surface(X, Y, Z, rstride=4, cstride=4, alpha=0.25)
cset = ax.contour(X, Y, Z, zdir='z', offset=-np.pi, cmap=plt.cm.coolwarm)
cset = ax.contour(X, Y, Z, zdir='x', offset=-np.pi, cmap=plt.cm.coolwarm)
cset = ax.contour(X, Y, Z, zdir='y', offset=3*np.pi, cmap=plt.cm.coolwarm)
ax.set_xlim3d(-np.pi, 2*np.pi);
ax.set_ylim3d(0, 3*np.pi);
ax.set_zlim3d(-np.pi, 2*np.pi);
```



Problem

- Are boys taller than girls on an average?
 - Get data
 - Form hypothesis
 - Analyze data
 - Interpret results