

NumPy and SciPy Worksheet

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Further problems on using NumPy and SciPy functionalities.

1.1 NumPy

1. Slicing

Create a random 5×5 array, A , of integers in the range 1 to 10. (*Hint*: you may find the `randint` function helpful.) Use slicing to extract:

- (a) the first two rows of A ;
- (b) the last two columns of A ;
- (c) and the 3×3 matrix in the “bottom right corner” of A . Call this new matrix A_{slice} . Now change the $[0, 0]$ entry of A_{slice} to any (different) integer you want, then print both the original matrix A and A_{slice} . What do you notice? Finally, create a new matrix A_{copy} *via* the following command

```
A_copy = np.array(A_slice)
```

and repeat the foregoing exercise of changing one of the values of A_{copy} , printing both A and A_{copy} .

2. Array indexing

It can sometimes be useful to use an array of indices to access or change elements. Create a 4×4 array called B with elements of your choosing. Now, create two new 4×1 arrays as follows:

```
row_indcs = np.array([0, 1, 2, 3])
```

```
col_indcs = np.array([0, 2, 3, 1])
```

Knowing what you know about indexing of matrices in NumPy, can you work out how to extract the $[0, 0]$, $[1, 2]$, $[2, 3]$, and $[3, 1]$ entries of B ? Using the `+=` command, add 1000 to these entries and print the result.

3. Filtering

Create a function that takes in an array, `mat`, and two parameters, `a` and `b`, and returns an array whose values are the entries of `mat` that are greater than `a` and less than `b`.

Test your function by creating a *Vandermonde matrix* of size no more than 10×10 and by choosing two parameters a and b . Print the result. Is it what you expect?

(*Hint*: use the NumPy function `np.vander()` to efficiently create the Vandermonde matrix.)

4. Broadcasting

Broadcasting is the name used for how NumPy deals with operations with arrays of different sizes. For example, broadcasting can be a useful tool by replacing the occurrence of loops with efficient *vectorized* operations. However, broadcasting is subject to some constraints. From the NumPy documentation:

”When operating on two arrays, NumPy compares their shapes *element-wise*. It starts with the trailing dimensions and works its way forward. Two dimensions are *compatible* when

- they are equal, or
- one of them is 1”

Here are some functioning and non-functioning examples for you to try. In each of the following, compute the sum ($A + B$) and element-wise multiplication ($A * B$) of the two arrays requested in each part of the question.

- Create a two-dimensional array, A , of dimension 8×3 and a one-dimensional array, B (or just a number).
- Create a *three-dimensional array* A of dimension $5 \times 6 \times 2$ and a two-dimensional array B of size 6×2 .

Whats happens if

- in (b), A is of size $5 \times 3 \times 2$;
- instead of B , we take the transpose of B and apply the operations?

5. Finding roots of polynomial in NumPy

Research the `np.roots` function in NumPy to find the roots of the following polynomials.

- $x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$
- $2x^3 + 6x^2 - 7x + 2 = 0$
- A 10-degree polynomial whose coefficients are an array of random integers.
- A 1000-degree polynomial whose coefficients are an array of random integers. (Note how fast you can do this!)

1.2 SciPy

- Using `solve_ivp`, solve the differential equation $dy/dt = y$ subject to $y(0) = 1$ for $0 < t < 5$. (The exact solution is of course $y = \exp(t)$).

7. Solving a second order differential equation

Using `solve_ivp`, solve the *damped harmonic oscillator*

$$y'' + by' + \omega^2 y = 0 \text{ subject to } y(0) = 1 \text{ and } y'(0) = 0 \text{ for } 0 < t < 10,$$

where b is the damping coefficients and ω is the natural frequency.

Hint: by defining $y' = u$, write the second-order differential equation above as a *system* of first-order differential equations for the unknowns y and u (similar to the SIR example in the notes).

Recalling the syntax

```
sol = solve_ivp(func, t_span, y0, t_eval = np.linspace(0, tend, num = 101))
```

use the following code snippet to plot the *phase portrait* of the solution for different values of the damping parameter b :

```
plt.plot(sol.y[1,:], sol.y[0,:])  
plt.xlabel('y')  
plt.ylabel('dy/dt')  
plt.title('Damped harmonic oscillator')
```

Do the results correspond to your physical intuition?

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