

Advanced Data Management (CSCI 640/490)

Python

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JupyterLab

JupyterLab interface showing a notebook titled "Lorenz.ipynb" and a terminal window.

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Notebook Content:

In this Notebook we explore the Lorenz system of differential equations:

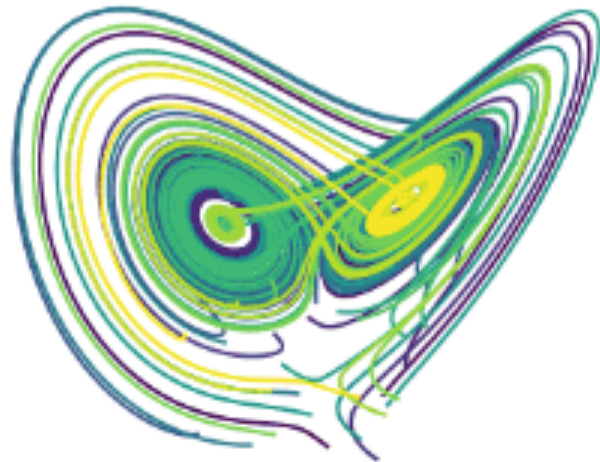
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \sigma(y - x) \\ \dot{y} &= \rho x - y - xz \\ \dot{z} &= -\beta z + xy\end{aligned}$$

Let's call the function once to view the solutions. For this set of parameters, we see the trajectories swirling around two points, called attractors.

In [4]: `from lorenz import solve_lorenz
t, x_t = solve_lorenz(N=10)`

Output View:

sigma: 10.00
beta: 2.67
rho: 28.00



lorenz.py:

```
def solve_lorenz(N=10, max_time=4.0, sigma=10.0, beta=8./3, rho=28.0):  
    """Plot a solution to the Lorenz differential equations."""  
    fig = plt.figure()  
    ax = fig.add_axes([0, 0, 1, 1], projection='3d')  
    ax.axis('off')  
  
    # prepare the axes limits  
    ax.set_xlim((-25, 25))  
    ax.set_ylim((-35, 35))  
    ax.set_zlim((5, 55))  
  
    def lorenz_deriv(x_y_z, t0, sigma=sigma, beta=beta, rho=rho):  
        """Compute the time-derivative of a Lorenz system."""  
        x, y, z = x_y_z  
        return [sigma * (y - x), x * (rho - z) - y, x * y - beta * z]  
  
    # Choose random starting points, uniformly distributed from -15 to 15  
    np.random.seed(1)  
    x0 = -15 + 30 * np.random.random((N, 3))
```

JupyterLab Notebooks

- Can write code or plain text (can be styled Markdown)
 - Choose the type of cell using the dropdown menu
- Cells break up your code, but all data is **global**
 - Defining a variable `a` in one cell means it is available in **any** other cell
 - This includes cells **above** the cell `a` was defined in!
- Remember **Shift+Enter** to execute
- Enter just adds a new line
- Use `?<function_name>` for help
- Use Tab for **auto-complete** or suggestions
- Tab also indents, and Shift+Tab unindents

Local Jupyter Environment

- www.anaconda.com/download/ or
- <https://github.com/conda-forge/miniforge>
- Use Python 3.12 version (3.10 or 3.11 ok)
- Anaconda Navigator
 - GUI application for managing Python environment
 - Can install packages
 - Can start JupyterLab
- Can also use the shell to do this:
 - `$ jupyter lab`
 - `$ conda install <pkg_name>`



Hosted Jupyter Environments

- Nice to have ability to configure everything locally, but... you have to configure everything locally
- Solution: Cloud-hosted Jupyter (and Jupyter-like) environments
- Pros: No setup
- Cons: Limitations on resources: data and compute
- Options:
 - Google Colab (need a Google account)
 - Intel DevCloud
 - JupyterLite: still beta

Using Hosted Jupyter Environments

- Data:
 - Either point to a public URL or upload the data
 - Large datasets may not be supported, data may be deleted if uploaded (and isn't in Google Drive, etc.)
- Notebooks:
 - Can download the notebook locally (e.g. to use with a conda environment)
 - Sometimes default python versions are older
- Differences:
 - Colab has tweaked the interface (e.g. different nomenclature)

Assignment 1

- To be released soon
- Using Python for data analysis
- Use basic python for now to work on language knowledge
- Use Anaconda or a hosted Python environment
- Turn .ipynb file in via Blackboard

Questions about Python?

Python Strings

- Strings can be delimited by single or double quotes
 - `"abc"` and `'abc'` are exactly the same thing
 - Easier use of quotes in strings: `"Joe's"` or `'He said "Stop!"'`
- String concatenation: `"abc" + "def"`
- Repetition: `"abc" * 3`
- Special characters: `\n` `\t` like Java/C++

Python Strings

- Indexing:

```
a = "abcdef"
a[0]
```

- Slicing: `a[1:3]`

- Format:

```
name = "Jane"
print("Hello, {}".format(name))
```

- or

```
print(f"Hello, {name}")
```

Loops

- `while <condition>:`
 `<indented block>`
 `# end of while block (indentation done)`
- Remember the colon!
- `a = 5`
 `while a > 0:`
 `print(a)`
 `a -= 2`
- `a > 0` is the condition
- Python has standard boolean operators (`<`, `>`, `<=`, `>=`, `==`, `!=`)
 - What does a boolean operation return?
 - Linking boolean comparisons (`and`, `or`)

Conditionals

- `if, else`
 - Again, indentation is required
- `elif`
 - Shorthand for `else: if:`
- Same type of boolean expressions (`and or`)

break and continue

- `break` stops the execution of the loop
- `continue` skips the rest of the loop and goes to the next iteration

- ```
a = 7
while a > 0:
 a -= 2
 if a < 4:
 break
print(a)
```

- ```
a = 7
while a > 0:
    a -= 2
    if a < 4 and a > 2:
        continue
print(a)
```

True and False

- `True` and `False` (**capitalized**) are defined values in Python
- `v == 0` will evaluate to either `True` or `False`

Why do we create and use functions?

Functions

- Calling functions is as expected:

```
mul(2,3) # computes 2*3 (mul from operator package)
```

- Values passed to the function are parameters
- May be variables!

```
a = 5  
b = 7  
mul(a,b)
```

- `print` is a function

```
print("This line doesn't end.", end=" ")  
print("See it continues")
```

- `end` is also a parameter, but this has a different syntax (keyword argument!)

Defining Functions

- `def` keyword
- Arguments have names but **no types**

```
def hello(name):  
    print(f"Hello {name}")
```

- Can have defaults:

```
def hello(name="Jane Doe"):  
    print(f"Hello {name}")
```

- With defaults, we can skip the parameter: `hello()` or `hello("John")`

- Also can pick and choose arguments:

```
def hello(name1="Joe", name2="Jane"):  
    print(f"Hello {name1} and {name2}")  
hello(name2="Mary")
```

Return statement

- Return statement gives back a value:

```
def mul(a,b):  
    return a * b
```

- Variables changed in the function won't be updated:

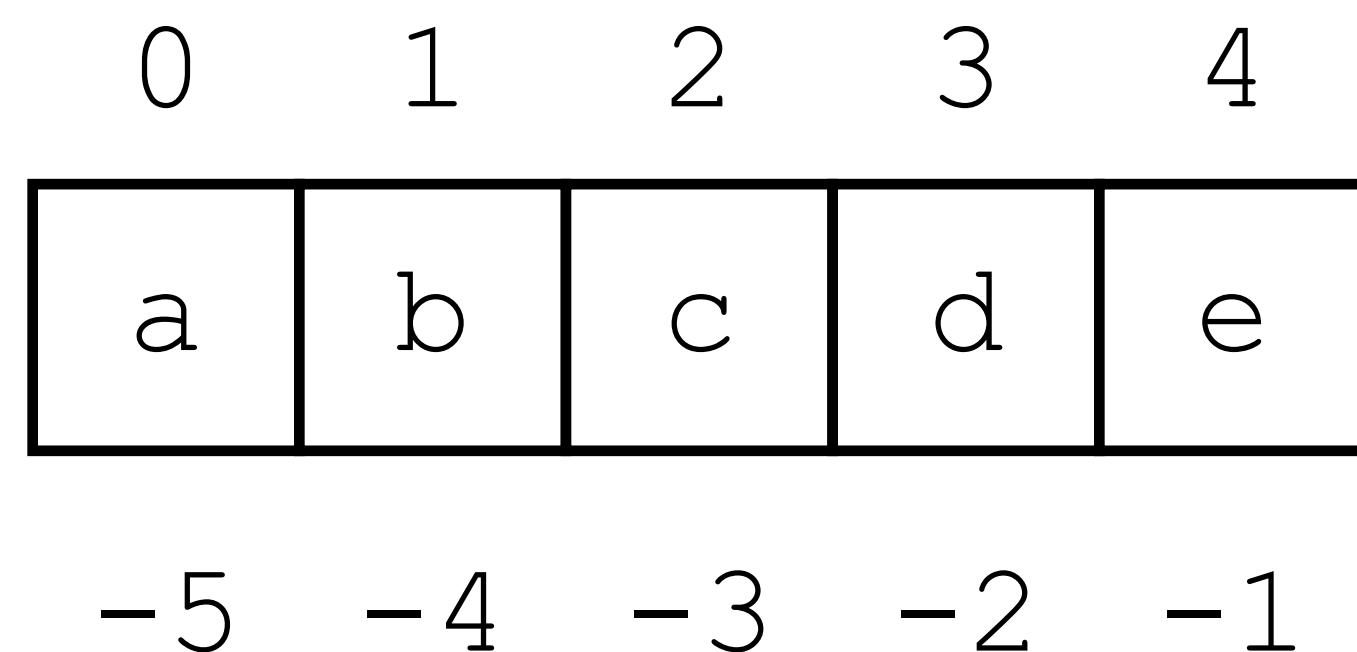
```
def increment(a):  
    a += 1  
    return a  
  
b = 12  
c = increment(b)  
print(b,c)
```

Python Containers

- Container: store more than one value
- Mutable versus immutable: Can we update the container?
 - Yes → mutable
 - No → immutable
 - Lists are mutable, tuples are immutable
- Lists and tuples may contain values of different types:
- List: `[1, "abc", 12.34]`
- Tuple: `(1, "abc", 12.34)`
- You can also put functions in containers!
- `len` function: number of items: `len(l)`

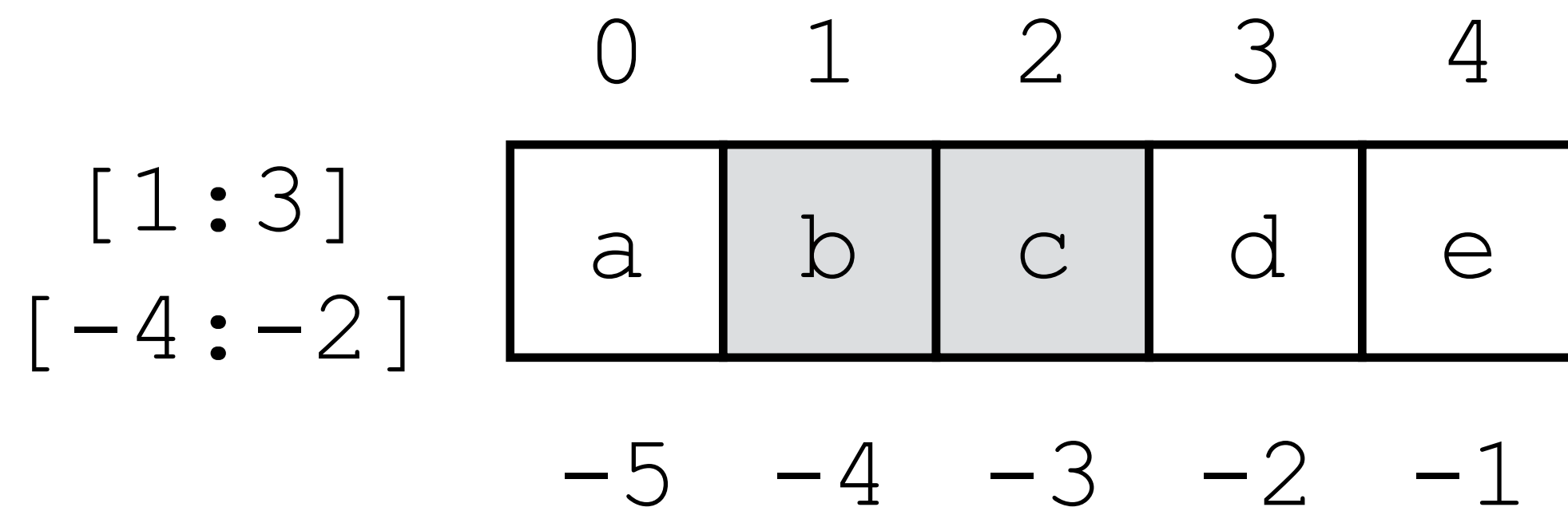
Indexing (Positive and Negative)

- Positive indices start at zero, negative at -1
- `my_str = "abcde"; my_str[1] # "b"`
- `my_list = [1,2,3,4,5]; my_list[-3] # 3`
- `my_tuple = (1,2,3,4,5); my_tuple[-5] # 1`



Slicing

- Positive or negative indices can be used at any step
- `my_str = "abcde"; my_str[1:3] # "bc"`
- `my_list = [1,2,3,4,5]; my_list[3:-1] # [4]`
- Implicit indices
 - `my_tuple = (1,2,3,4,5); my_tuple[-2:] # (4,5)`
 - `my_tuple[:3] # (1,2,3)`



Tuples

- `months = ('January', 'February', 'March', 'April', 'May', 'June', 'July', 'August', 'September', 'October', 'November', 'December')`
- Useful when you know you're not going to change the contents or add or delete values
- Can index and slice
- Also, can create new tuples from existing ones:
 - `t = (1, 2, 3)`
`u = (4, 5, 6)`
 - `v = t + u` # `v` points to a **new** object
 - `t += u` # `t` is a **new** object

Modifying Lists

- Add to a list `l`:
 - `l.append(v)`: add one value (`v`) to the end of the list
 - `l.extend(vlist)`: add multiple values (`vlist`) to the end of `l`
 - `l.insert(i, v)`: add one value (`v`) at index `i`
- Remove from a list `l`:
 - `del l[i]`: deletes the value at index `i`
 - `l.pop(i)`: removes the value at index `i` (and returns it)
 - `l.remove(v)`: removes the **first** occurrence of value `v` (careful!)
- Changing an entry:
 - `l[i] = v`: changes the value at index `i` to `v` (Watch out for `IndexError`!)

Modifying a list

- `v = [1, 2, 3]`
`w = [4, 5, 6]`
- `x = v + w` # `x` is a **new** list `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]`
- `v.extend(w)` # `v` is mutated to `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]`
- `v += w` # `v` is mutated to `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]`
- `v.append(w)` # `v` is mutated to `[1, 2, 3, [4, 5, 6]]`
- `x = v + 4` # **error**
- `v += 4` # **error**
- `v += [4]` # `v` is mutated to `[1, 2, 3, 4]`

in: Checking for a value

- The `in` operator:
 - `'a' in l`
 - `'a' not in l`
- Not very fast for lists

For loops

- Used much more frequently than while loops
- Is actually a "for-each" type of loop
- In Java, this is:
 - ```
for (String item : someList) {
 System.out.println(item);
}
```
- In Python, this is:
  - ```
for item in someList:  
    print(item)
```
- Grabs each element of `someList` in order and puts it into `item`
- Be careful modifying container in a for loop! (e.g. `someList.append(new_item)`)

What about counting?

- In C++:
 - ```
for(int i = 0; i < 100; i++) {
 cout << i << endl;
}
```
- In Python:
  - ```
for i in range(0,100): # or range(100)  
    print(i)
```
 - `range(100)` vs. `list(range(100))`
 - What about only even integers?

Dictionaries

- One of the most useful features of Python
- Also known as associative arrays
- Exist in other languages but a core feature in Python
- Associate a key with a value
- When I want to find a value, I give the dictionary a key, and it returns the value
- Example: InspectionID (key) → InspectionRecord (value)
- Keys must be immutable (technically, hashable):
 - Normal types like numbers, strings are fine
 - Tuples work, but lists do not (TypeError: unhashable type: 'list')
- There is only one value per key!

Dictionaries

- Defining a dictionary: curly braces
- `states = {'MA': 'Massachusetts', 'RI': 'Road Island', 'CT': 'Connecticut'}`
- Accessing a value: use brackets!
- `states['MA']` or `states.get('MA')`
- Adding a value:
- `states['NH'] = 'New Hampshire'`
- Checking for a key:
- `'ME' in states` → returns `True` or `False`
- Removing a value: `states.pop('CT')` or `del states['CT']`
- Changing a value: `states['RI'] = 'Rhode Island'`

Dictionaries

- Combine dictionaries: `d1.update(d2)`
 - `update` overwrites any key-value pairs in `d1` when the same key appears in `d2`
 - `d1 | d2`
- `len(d)` is the number of entries in `d`

Extracting Parts of a Dictionary

- `d.keys()`: the keys only
- `d.values()`: the values only
- `d.items()`: key-value pairs as a collection of tuples:
`[(k1, v1), (k2, v2), ...]`
- Unpacking a tuple or list
 - `t = (1, 2)`
`a, b = t`
- Iterating through a dictionary:

```
for (k,v) in d.items():  
    if k % 2 == 0:  
        print(v)
```
- Important: keys, values, and items are in added order!

Sets

- Just the keys from a dictionary
- Only one copy of each item
- Define like dictionaries without values
 - `s = {'a', 'b', 'c', 'e'}`
 - `'a' in s` # True
- Mutation
 - `s.add('f')`
 - `s.add('a')` # only one copy
 - `s.remove('c')`
- One gotcha:
 - `{ }` is an empty **dictionary** not an empty set

Exercises

Exercise

- Given variables x and y , print the long division answer of x divided by y with the remainder.
- Examples:
 - $x = 11, y = 4$ should print "2R3"
 - $x = 15, y = 2$ should print "7R1"

Exercise

- Suppose I want to write Python code to print the numbers from 1 to 100. What errors do you see?

```
// print the numbers from 1 to 100
int counter = 1
while counter < 100 {
    print counter
    counter++
}
```