

cs224n-python-review-code-updated

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0.0.1 Agenda

1. Installation
2. Basics
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5. Matplotlib (for plotting)
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```
[1]: # Note: This tutorial is based on Python 3.8
#      but it should apply to all Python 3.X versions
# Please note that this tutorial is NOT exhaustive
# We try to cover everything you need for class assignments
# but you should also navigate external resources
#
# More tutorials:
# NUMPY:
# https://cs231n.github.io/python-numpy-tutorial/#numpy
# https://numpy.org/doc/stable/user/quickstart.html
# MATPLOTLIB:
# https://matplotlib.org/gallery/index.html
# BASICS:
# https://www.w3schools.com/python/
# CONSULT THESE WISELY:
# The official documentation, Google, and Stack-overflow are your friends!
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0.0.2 1. Installation

Anaconda for environment management <https://www.anaconda.com/>

common commands

conda env list <- list all environments

conda create -n newenv python=3.8 <- create new environment

conda env create -f env.yml <- create environment from config file

conda activate envname <- activate a environment

conda deactivate <- exit environment

pip install packagename <- install package for current environment

jupyter notebook <- open jupyter in current environment

Package installation using conda/pip Live demo

Recommended IDEs Spyder (in-built in Anaconda)

Pycharm (the most popular choice, compatible with Anaconda)

```
[2]: # common anaconda commands
#conda env list
#conda create -n name python=3.8
#conda env create -f env.yml
#conda activate python2.7
#conda deactivate
#install packages
#pip install <package>
```

0.0.3 2. Basics

<https://www.w3schools.com/python/>

```
[3]: # input and output
name = input()
print("hello, " + name)
```

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hello, 224N

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[4]: # print multiple variables separated by a space
print("hello", name, 1, 3.0, True)
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hello 224N 1 3.0 True

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[5]: # line comment
"""
block
comments
"""
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[5]: '\nblock \ncomments\n'
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[6]: # variables don't need explicit declaration
var = "hello" # string
var = 10.0    # float
var = 10     # int
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var = True    # boolean
var = [1,2,3] # pointer to list
var = None    # empty pointer
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[7]: # type conversions
var = 10
print(int(var))
print(str(var))
print(float(var))
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10
10
10.0
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[8]: # basic math operations
var = 10
print("var + 4 =", 10 + 4)
print("var - 4 =", 10 - 4)
print("var * 4 =", 10 * 4)
print("var ^ 4=", 10 ** 4)
print("int(var) / 4 =", 10//4)    # // for int division
print("float(var) / 4 =", 10/4)  # / for float division
# All compound assignment operators available
# including += -= *= **= /= //=
# pre/post in/decrementers not available (++ --)
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var + 4 = 14
var - 4 = 6
var * 4 = 40
var ^ 4= 10000
int(var) / 4 = 2
float(var) / 4 = 2.5
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[9]: # basic boolean operations include "and", "or", "not"
print("not True is", not True)
print("True and False is", True and False)
print("True or False is", True or False)
```

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not True is False
True and False is False
True or False is True
```

```
[10]: # String operations
# ' and "" are equivalent
s = "String"
#s = 'Mary said "Hello" to John'
#s = "Mary said \"Hello\" to John"
```

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# basic
print(len(s)) # get length of string and any iterable type
print(s[0]) # get char by index
print(s[1:3]) # [1,3)
print("This is a " + s + "!")

# handy tools
print(s.lower())
print(s*4)
print("ring" in s)
print(s.index("ring"))

# slice by delimiter
print("I am a sentence".split(" "))
# concatenate a list of string using a delimiter
print("..." .join(['a','b','c']))

# formatting variables
print("Formatting a string like %.2f"%(0.12345))
print(f"Or like {s}!")

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6
S
tr
This is a String!
string
StringStringStringString
True
2
['I', 'am', 'a', 'sentence']
a...b...c
Formatting a string like 0.12
Or like String!

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[ ]: # control flows
# NOTE: No parentheses or curly braces
#       Indentation is used to identify code blocks
#       So never ever mix spaces with tabs
for i in range(0,5):
    for j in range(i, 5):
        print("inner loop")
    print("outer loop")

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[11]: # if-else
var = 10
if var > 10:

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    print(">")
elif var == 10:
    print("=")
else:
    print("<")
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[12]: # use "if" to check null pointer or empty arrays
var = None
if var:
    print(var)
var = []
if var:
    print(var)
var = "object"
if var:
    print(var)
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object

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[13]: # while-loop
var = 5
while var > 0:
    print(var)
    var -=1
```

5
4
3
2
1

```
[14]: # for-loop
for i in range(3): # prints 0 1 2
    print(i)

"""
equivalent to
for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++)
"""
print("-----")
# range (start-inclusive, stop-exclusive, step)
for i in range(2, -3, -2):
    print(i)
"""
equivalent to
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for (int i = 2; i > -3; i-=2)
    ""
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```
0
1
2
-----
2
0
-2
```

[14]: '\nequivalent to\nfor (int i = 2; i > -3; i-=2)\n'

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[15]: # define function
def func(a, b):
    return a + b
func(1,3)
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[15]: 4

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[16]: # use default parameters and pass values by parameter name
def rangeCheck(a, min_val = 0, max_val=10):
    return min_val < a < max_val    # syntactic sugar
rangeCheck(5, max_val=4)
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[16]: False

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[17]: # define class
class Foo:

    # optional constructor
    def __init__(self, x):
        # first parameter "self" for instance reference, like "this" in JAVA
        self.x = x

    # instance method
    def printX(self): # instance reference is required for all function
    ↪parameters
        print(self.x)

    # class methods, most likely you will never need this
    @classmethod
    def printHello(self):
        print("hello")

obj = Foo(6)
obj.printX()
```

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[18]: # class inheritance - inherits variables and methods
# You might need this when you learn more PyTorch
class Bar(Foo):
    pass
obj = Bar(3)
obj.printX()
```

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0.0.4 3. Iterables

```
[19]: alist = list() # linear, size not fixed, not hashable
atuple = tuple() # linear, fixed size, hashable
adict = dict() # hash table, not hashable, stores (key,value) pairs
aset = set() # hash table, like dict but only stores keys
acopy = alist.copy() # shallow copy
print(len(alist)) # gets size of any iterable type
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[20]: # exemplar tuple usage
# creating a dictionary to store ngram counts
d = dict()
d[("a","cat")] = 10
d[["a","cat"]] = 11
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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-20-47597361a541> in <module>
      3 d = dict()
      4 d[("a","cat")] = 10
----> 5 d[["a","cat"]] = 11

TypeError: unhashable type: 'list'
```

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[21]: """
List: not hashable (i.e. can't use as dictionary key)
      dynamic size
      allows duplicates and inconsistent element types
      dynamic array implementation
      """
# list creation
alist = [] # empty list, equivalent to list()
alist = [1,2,3,4,5] # initialized list
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print(alist[0])
alist[0] = 5
print(alist)

print("-"*10)
# list indexing
print(alist[0]) # get first element (at index 0)
print(alist[-2]) # get last element (at index len-1)
print(alist[3:]) # get elements starting from index 3 (inclusive)
print(alist[:3]) # get elements stopping at index 3 (exclusive)
print(alist[2:4]) # get elements within index range [2,4)
print(alist[6:]) # prints nothing because index is out of range
print(alist[::-1]) # returns a reversed list

print("-"*10)
# list modification
alist.append("new item") # insert at end
alist.insert(0, "new item") # insert at index 0
alist.extend([2,3,4]) # concatenate lists
# above line is equivalent to alist += [2,3,4]
alist.index("new item") # search by content
alist.remove("new item") # remove by content
alist.pop(0) # remove by index
print(alist)

print("-"*10)
if "new item" in alist:
    print("found")
else:
    print("not found")

print("-"*10)
# list traversal
for ele in alist:
    print(ele)

print("-"*10)
# or traverse with index
for i, ele in enumerate(alist):
    print(i, ele)

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1
[5, 2, 3, 4, 5]
-----
5
4
[4, 5]

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[5, 2, 3]
[3, 4]
[]
[5, 4, 3, 2, 5]
-----
[2, 3, 4, 5, 'new item', 2, 3, 4]
-----
found
-----
2
3
4
5
new item
2
3
4
-----
0 2
1 3
2 4
3 5
4 new item
5 2
6 3
7 4

```

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[22]: """
      Tuple: hashable (i.e. can use as dictionary key)
           fixed size (no insertion or deletion)
      """
      # it does not make sense to create empty tuples
      atuple = (1,2,3,4,5)
      # or you can cast other iterables to tuple
      atuple = tuple([1,2,3])

      # indexing and traversal are same as list

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[23]: """
      Named tuples for readability
      """
      from collections import namedtuple
      Point = namedtuple('Point', 'x y')
      pt1 = Point(1.0, 5.0)
      pt2 = Point(2.5, 1.5)
      print(pt1.x, pt1.y)

```

```
1.0 5.0
```

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[24]: """
      Dict: not hashable
           dynamic size
           no duplicates allowed
           hash table implementation which is fast for searching
      """
      # dict creation
      adict = {} # empty dict, equivalent to dict()
      adict = {'a':1, 'b':2, 'c':3}
      print(adict)

      # get all keys in dictionary
      print(adict.keys())

      # get value paired with key
      print(adict['a'])
      key = 'e'

      # NOTE: accessing keys not in the dictionary leads to exception
      if key in adict:
          print(adict[key])

      # add or modify dictionary entries
      adict['e'] = 10 # insert new key
      adict['e'] = 5 # modify existing keys

      print("-"*10)
      # traverse keys only
      for key in adict:
          print(key, adict[key])

      print("-"*10)
      # or traverse key-value pairs together
      for key, value in adict.items():
          print(key, value)

      print("-"*10)
      # NOTE: Checking if a key exists
      key = 'e'
      if key in adict: # NO .keys() here please!
          print(adict[key])
      else:
          print("Not found!")

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{'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
dict_keys(['a', 'b', 'c'])

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1
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-----  
a 1  
b 2  
c 3  
e 5  
-----  
a 1  
b 2  
c 3  
e 5  
-----  
5
```

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[25]: """  
Special dictionaries  
"""  
  
# set is a dictionary without values  
aset = set()  
aset.add('a')  
  
# deduplication short-cut using set  
alist = [1,2,3,3,3,4,3]  
alist = list(set(alist))  
print(alist)  
  
# default_dictionary returns a value computed from a default function  
# for non-existent entries  
from collections import defaultdict  
adict = defaultdict(lambda: 'unknown')  
adict['cat'] = 'feline'  
print(adict['cat'])  
print(adict['dog'])
```

```
[1, 2, 3, 4]  
feline  
unknown
```

```
[26]: # counter is a dictionary with default value of 0  
# and provides handy iterable counting tools  
from collections import Counter  
  
# initialize and modify empty counter  
counter1 = Counter()  
counter1['t'] = 10  
counter1['t'] += 1  
counter1['e'] += 1  
print(counter1)
```

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print("-"*10)

# initialize counter from iterable
counter2 = Counter("letters to be counted")
print(counter2)
print("-"*10)

# computations using counters
print("1", counter1 + counter2)
print("2", counter1 - counter2)
print("3", counter1 or counter2) # or for intersection, and for union

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Counter({'t': 11, 'e': 1})
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Counter({'e': 4, 't': 4, ' ': 3, 'o': 2, 'l': 1, 'r': 1, 's': 1, 'b': 1, 'c': 1, 'u': 1, 'n': 1, 'd': 1})
```

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1 Counter({'t': 15, 'e': 5, ' ': 3, 'o': 2, 'l': 1, 'r': 1, 's': 1, 'b': 1, 'c': 1, 'u': 1, 'n': 1, 'd': 1})
2, Counter({'t': 7})
3 Counter({'t': 11, 'e': 1})
```

```
[27]: # sorting
a = [4,6,1,7,0,5,1,8,9]
a = sorted(a)
print(a)
a = sorted(a, reverse=True)
print(a)
```

```
[0, 1, 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

```
[9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 1, 1, 0]
```

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[28]: # sorting
a = [("cat",1), ("dog", 3), ("bird", 2)]
a = sorted(a)
print(a)
a = sorted(a, key=lambda x:x[1])
print(a)
```

```
[('bird', 2), ('cat', 1), ('dog', 3)]
```

```
[('cat', 1), ('bird', 2), ('dog', 3)]
```

```
[29]: # useful in dictionary sorting
adict = {'cat':3, 'bird':1}
print(sorted(adict.items(), key=lambda x:x[1]))
```

```
[('bird', 1), ('cat', 3)]
```

```
[30]: # Syntax sugar: one-line control flow + list operation
sent = ["i am good", "a beautiful day", "HELLO FRIEND"]
"""
for i in range(len(sent)):
    sent[i] = sent[i].lower().split(" ")
"""
sent1 = [s.lower().split(" ") for s in sent]
print(sent1)

sent2 = [s.lower().split(" ") for s in sent if len(s) > 10]
print(sent2)

# Use this for deep copy!
# copy = [obj.copy() for obj in original]

[['i', 'am', 'good'], ['a', 'beautiful', 'day'], ['hello', 'friend']]
[['a', 'beautiful', 'day'], ['hello', 'friend']]
```

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[31]: # Syntax sugar: * operator for repeating iterable elements
print("-"*10)
print([1]*10)

# Note: This only repeating by value
#       So you cannot apply the trick on reference types

# To create a double list
# DONT
doublelist = [[]]*10
doublelist[0].append(1)
print(doublelist)
# DO
doublelist = [[] for _ in range(10)]
doublelist[0].append(1)
print(doublelist)
```

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-----
[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]
[[1], [1], [1], [1], [1], [1], [1], [1], [1], [1]]
[[1], [], [], [], [], [], [], [], [], []]
```

0.0.5 4. Numpy

Very powerful python tool for handling matrices and higher dimensional arrays

```
[32]: import numpy as np
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[33]: # create arrays
a = np.array([[1,2],[3,4],[5,6]])
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print(a)
print(a.shape)
# create all-zero/one arrays
b = np.ones((3,4)) # np.zeros((3,4))
print(b)
print(b.shape)
# create identity matrix
c = np.eye(5)
print(c)
print(c.shape)

```

```

[[1 2]
 [3 4]
 [5 6]]
(3, 2)
[[1. 1. 1. 1.]
 [1. 1. 1. 1.]
 [1. 1. 1. 1.]]
(3, 4)
[[1. 0. 0. 0. 0.]
 [0. 1. 0. 0. 0.]
 [0. 0. 1. 0. 0.]
 [0. 0. 0. 1. 0.]
 [0. 0. 0. 0. 1.]]
(5, 5)

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[34]: # reshaping arrays
a = np.arange(8)           # [8,] similar range() you use in for-loops
b = a.reshape((4,2))      # shape [4,2]
c = a.reshape((2,2,-1))  # shape [2,2,2] -- -1 for auto-fill
d = c.flatten()           # shape [8,]
e = np.expand_dims(a, 0) # [1,8]
f = np.expand_dims(a, 1) # [8,1]
g = e.squeeze()           # shape[8, ] -- remove all unnecessary dimensions
print(a)
print(b)

```

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[0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7]
[[0 1]
 [2 3]
 [4 5]
 [6 7]]

```

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[35]: # concatenating arrays
a = np.ones((4,3))
b = np.ones((4,3))
c = np.concatenate([a,b], 0)

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print(c.shape)
d = np.concatenate([a,b], 1)
print(d.shape)
```

(8, 3)
(4, 6)

```
[36]: # one application is to create a batch for NN
x1 = np.ones((32,32,3))
x2 = np.ones((32,32,3))
x3 = np.ones((32,32,3))
# --> to create a batch of shape (3,32,32,3)
x = [x1, x2, x3]
x = [np.expand_dims(xx, 0) for xx in x] # xx shape becomes (1,32,32,3)
x = np.concatenate(x, 0)
print(x.shape)
```

(3, 32, 32, 3)

```
[37]: # access array slices by index
a = np.zeros([10, 10])
a[:3] = 1
a[:, :3] = 2
a[:3, :3] = 3
rows = [4,6,7]
cols = [9,3,5]
a[rows, cols] = 4
print(a)
```

```
[[3. 3. 3. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.]
 [3. 3. 3. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.]
 [3. 3. 3. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.]
 [2. 2. 2. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.]
 [2. 2. 2. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 4.]
 [2. 2. 2. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.]
 [2. 2. 2. 4. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.]
 [2. 2. 2. 0. 0. 4. 0. 0. 0. 0.]
 [2. 2. 2. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.]
 [2. 2. 2. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.]
```

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[38]: # transposition
a = np.arange(24).reshape(2,3,4)
print(a.shape)
print(a)
a = np.transpose(a, (2,1,0)) # swap 0th and 2nd axes
print(a.shape)
print(a)
```

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(2, 3, 4)
[[[ 0  1  2  3]
  [ 4  5  6  7]
  [ 8  9 10 11]]

 [[12 13 14 15]
  [16 17 18 19]
  [20 21 22 23]]]
(4, 3, 2)
[[[ 0 12]
  [ 4 16]
  [ 8 20]]

 [[ 1 13]
  [ 5 17]
  [ 9 21]]

 [[ 2 14]
  [ 6 18]
  [10 22]]

 [[ 3 15]
  [ 7 19]
  [11 23]]]

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[39]: c = np.array([[1,2],[3,4]])
      # pinv is pseudo inversion for stability
      print(np.linalg.pinv(c))
      # l2 norm by default, read documentation for more options
      print(np.linalg.norm(c))
      # summing a matrix
      print(np.sum(c))
      # the optional axis parameter
      print(c)
      print(np.sum(c, axis=0)) # sum along axis 0
      print(np.sum(c, axis=1)) # sum along axis 1

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[[-2.  1. ]
 [ 1.5 -0.5]]
5.477225575051661
10
[[1 2]
 [3 4]]
[4 6]
[3 7]

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[40]: # dot product
c = np.array([1,2])
d = np.array([3,4])
print(np.dot(c,d))
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[41]: # matrix multiplication
a = np.ones((4,3)) # 4,3
b = np.ones((3,2)) # 3,2 --> 4,2
print(a @ b)      # same as a.dot(b)
c = a @ b        # (4,2)

# automatic repetition along axis
d = np.array([1,2,3,4]).reshape(4,1)
print(c + d)
# handy for batch operation
batch = np.ones((3,32))
weight = np.ones((32,10))
bias = np.ones((1,10))
print((batch @ weight + bias).shape)
```

```
[[3. 3.]
 [3. 3.]
 [3. 3.]
 [3. 3.]]
[[4. 4.]
 [5. 5.]
 [6. 6.]
 [7. 7.]]
(3, 10)
```

```
[42]: # speed test: numpy vs list
a = np.ones((100,100))
b = np.ones((100,100))

def matrix_multiplication(X, Y):
    result = [[0]*len(Y[0]) for _ in range(len(X))]
    for i in range(len(X)):
        for j in range(len(Y[0])):
            for k in range(len(Y)):
                result[i][j] += X[i][k] * Y[k][j]
    return result

import time

# run numpy matrix multiplication for 10 times
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start = time.time()
for _ in range(10):
    a @ b
end = time.time()
print("numpy spends {} seconds".format(end-start))

# run list matrix multiplication for 10 times
start = time.time()
for _ in range(10):
    matrix_multiplication(a,b)
end = time.time()
print("list operation spends {} seconds".format(end-start))

# the difference gets more significant as matrices grow in size!

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numpy spends 0.001990079879760742 seconds
list operation spends 8.681961059570312 seconds

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[43]: # element-wise operations, for examples
np.log(a)
np.exp(a)
np.sin(a)
# operation with scalar is interpreted as element-wise
a * 3

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[43]: array([[3., 3., 3., ..., 3., 3., 3.],
            [3., 3., 3., ..., 3., 3., 3.],
            [3., 3., 3., ..., 3., 3., 3.],
            ...,
            [3., 3., 3., ..., 3., 3., 3.],
            [3., 3., 3., ..., 3., 3., 3.],
            [3., 3., 3., ..., 3., 3., 3.]])

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0.0.6 5. Matplotlib

Powerful tool for visualization Many tutorials online. We only go over the basics here

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[44]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

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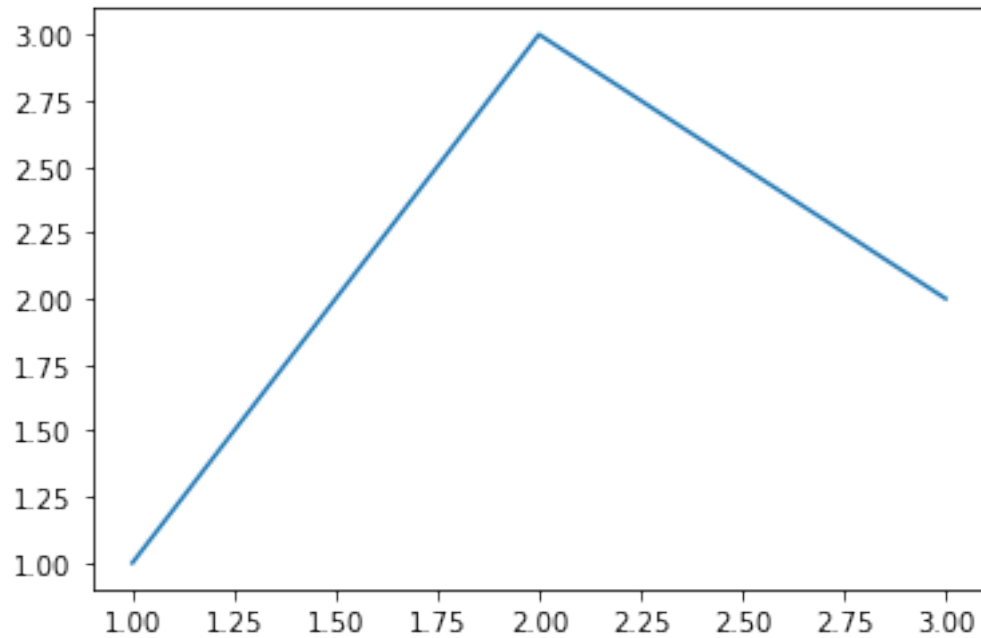
[45]: # line plot
x = [1,2,3]
y = [1,3,2]
plt.plot(x,y)

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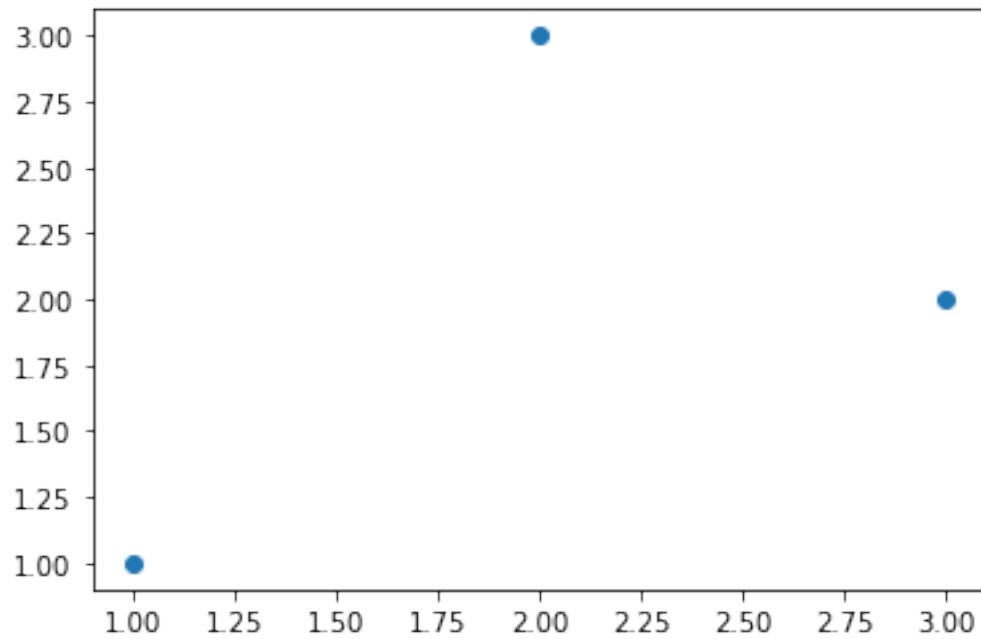
[45]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x17b1b50a040>]

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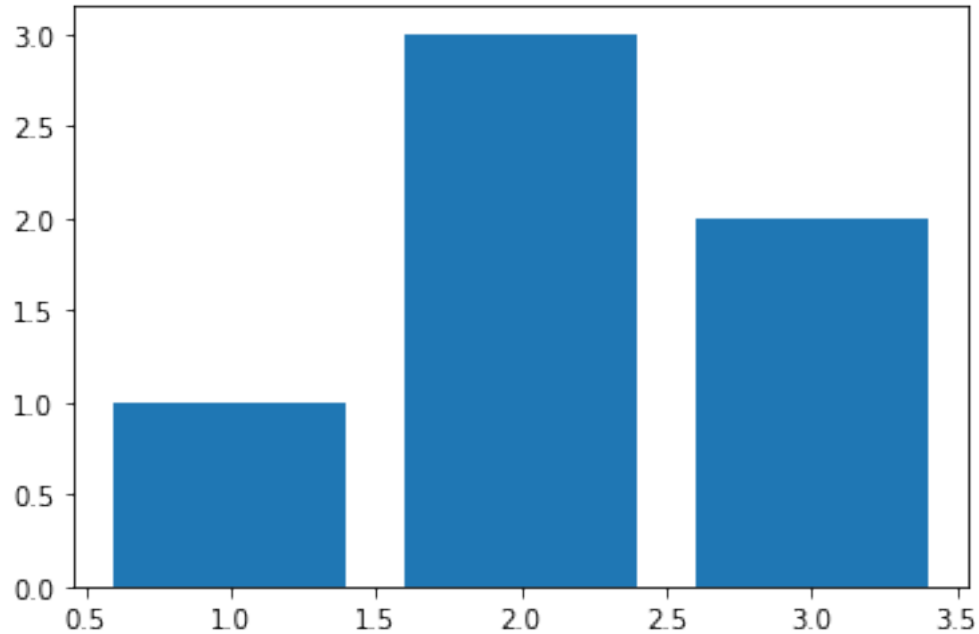
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[46]: # scatter plot  
plt.scatter(x,y)
```

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[46]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x17b1b530490>
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[47]: # bar plots
plt.bar(x,y)
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[47]: <BarContainer object of 3 artists>
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[48]: # plot configurations
x = [1,2,3]
y1 = [1,3,2]
y2 = [4,0,4]

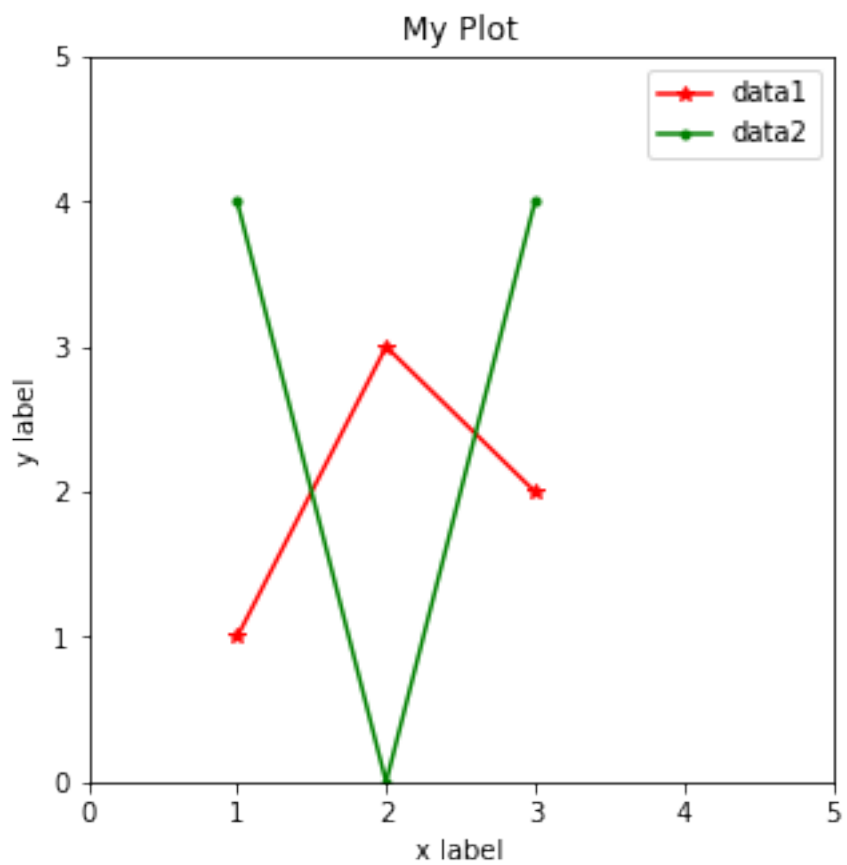
# set figure size
plt.figure(figsize=(5,5))

# set axes
plt.xlim(0,5)
plt.ylim(0,5)
plt.xlabel("x label")
plt.ylabel("y label")

# add title
plt.title("My Plot")

plt.plot(x,y1, label="data1", color="red", marker="*")
plt.plot(x,y2, label="data2", color="green", marker=".")
plt.legend()
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[48]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x17b1b669d00>



0.0.7 Q&A

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