

Big Data Analytics

Lecture BigData Analytics

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About DKRZ

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Scientific Computing

- Research Group of Prof. Ludwig at the University of Hamburg
- Embedded into DKRZ



Research

- Analysis of parallel I/O
- I/O & energy tracing tools
- Middleware optimization
- Alternative I/O interfaces
- Data reduction techniques
- Cost & energy efficiency

Lecture

Concept of the lecture

- The lecture is focusing on applying technology and some theory
 - Theory
 - Data models and data processing
 - Statistics and machine learning
 - System architectures
 - Algorithms and data structures
 - Applying technology
 - Learning about various state-of-the art technology
 - Hands-on for understanding the key concepts
 - Languages: R and Python, (Java is important but not used)
 - The domain of big data is overwhelming, especially technology
 - It is a crash course for several topics such as statistics and databases
- ⇒ it is not the goal to learn and understand every aspect in this lecture

Lecture (2)

Slides

- Many openly accessible sources have been used
 - They are cited by a number
 - The reference slide provides the link to the sources
- For figures, a reference is indicated by *Source: [Author]¹ [title]¹ [ref]*
- In the title, an [ref] means that this reference has been used for the slide, some text may be taken literally

Exercise

- Unfortunately no student assistant found so corrections during exercise...
- Weekly delivery, processing time about 8 hours / per week estimated
- Teamwork of two people (groups are important to keep the time limit)

¹If available

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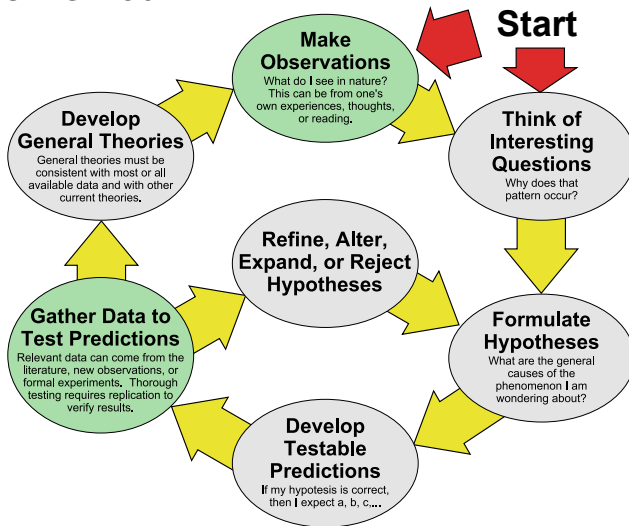
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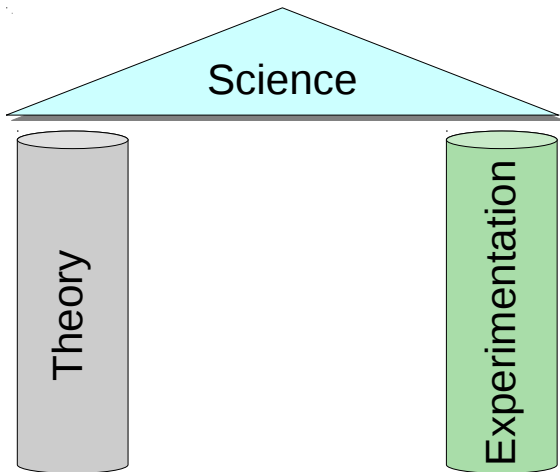
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Scientific Method

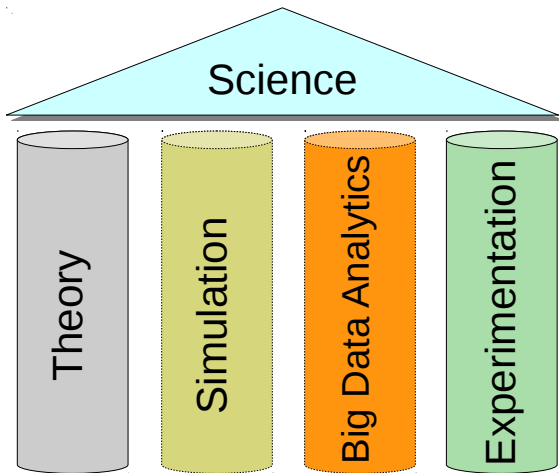


Based on: The Scientific Method as an Ongoing Process, ArchonMagnus[22]

Pillars of the Scientific Method



Pillars of Science: **Modern Perspective**



Idea of Big Data Analytics

Big Data

- Vast amounts of data are available
- Many heterogeneous data sources
- Raw data is of low value (fine grained)

Analytics

- Analyzing data \Rightarrow Insight == value
 - For academia: knowledge
 - For industry: business advantage and money
- Levels of insight – primary abstraction levels of analytics
 - **Exploration**: study data and identify properties of (subsets) of data
 - **Induction/Inference**: infer properties of the full population
- Big data tools allow to construct a theory/model and validate it with data
 - **Statistics** and **machine learning** provide **algorithms and models**
 - Visual methods support data exploration and analysis

Example Models

Similarity is a (very) simplistic model and predictor for the world

- Humans use this approach in their cognitive process
- Uses the advantage of BigData

Weather prediction

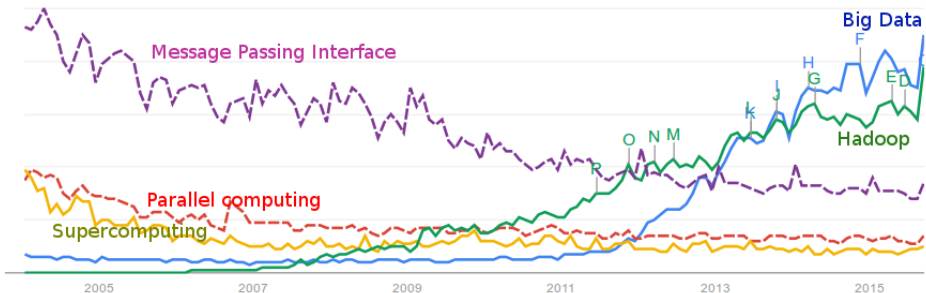
- You may develop and rely on complex models of physics
- Or use a simple model for a particular day; e.g., expect it to be similar to the weather of the typical day over the last X years
 - Used by humans: rule of thumb for farmers

Preferences of Humans

- Identify a set of people which liked items you like
- Predict you like also the items those people like but haven't rated

Relevance of Big Data

- Big Data Analytics is emerging
- Relevance increases compared to supercomputing



Google Search Trends, relative searches

Roles in the Big Data Business

Data scientist

Data science is a systematic method dedicated to knowledge discovery via data analysis [1]

- In business, optimize organizational processes for efficiency
- In science, analyze experimental/observational data to derive results

Data engineer

Data engineering is the domain that develops and provides systems for managing and analyzing big data

- Build modular and scalable data platforms for data scientists
- Deploy big data solutions

Typical Skills

Data scientist

- Statistics + (mathematics) background
- Computer science
 - Programming, e.g.: R, (SAS,) Java, Scala, Python
 - Machine learning
- Some domain knowledge for the problem to solve

Data engineer

- Computer science background
 - Databases
 - Software engineering
 - Massively parallel processing
 - Real-time processing
- Languages: C++, Java, (Scala,) Python
- Understand performance factors and limitations of systems

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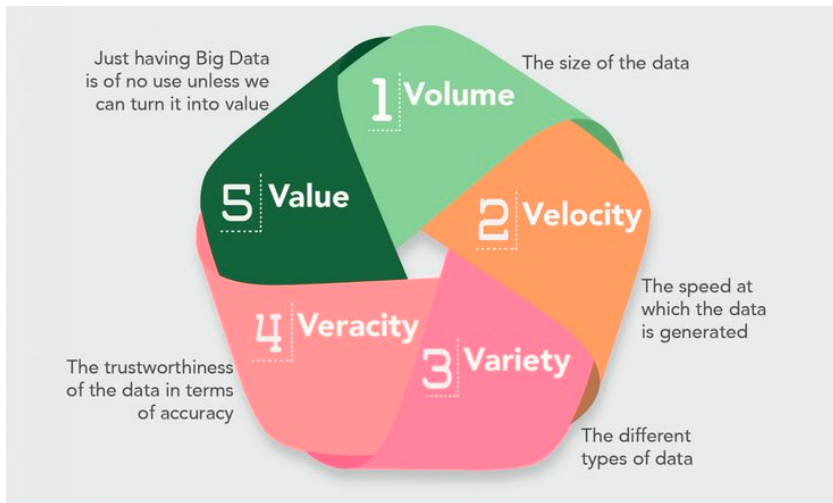
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BigData Challenges & Characteristics



Source: MarianVesper [4]

Volume: The size of the Data

What is Big Data

Terrabytes to 10s of petabytes

What is not Big Data

A few gigabytes

Examples

- Wikipedia corpus with history ca. 10 TByte
- Wikimedia commons ca. 23 TByte
- Google search index ca. 46 Gigawebpages²
- YouTube per year 76 PByte (2012³)

²<http://www.worldwidewebsize.com/>

³<https://sumanrs.wordpress.com/2012/04/14/youtube-yearly-costs-for-storagenetworking-estimate/>

Velocity: Data Volume per Time

What is Big Data

30 KiB to 30 GiB per second
(902 GiB/year to 902 PiB/year)

What is not Big Data

A never changing data set

Examples

- LHC (Cern) with all experiments about 25 GB/s ⁴
- Square Kilometre Array 700 TB/s (in 2018) ⁵
- 50k Google searches per s ⁶
- Facebook 30 Billion content pieces shared per month ⁷

⁴<http://home.web.cern.ch/about/computing/processing-what-record>

⁵<http://venturebeat.com/2014/10/05/how-big-data-is-fueling-a-new-age-in-space-exploration/>

⁶<http://www.internetlivestats.com/google-search-statistics/>

⁷<https://blog.kissmetrics.com/facebook-statistics/>

Data Sources

Enterprise data

- Serves business objectives, well defined
- Customer information
- Transactions, e.g., purchases

Experimental/Observational data (EOD)

- Created by machines from sensors/devices
- Trading systems, satellites
- Microscopes, video streams, smart meters

Social media

- Created by humans
- Messages, posts, blogs, Wikis

Variety: Types of Data

■ Structured data

- Like tables with fixed attributes
- Traditionally handled by relational databases

■ Unstructured data

- Usually generated by humans
- Examples: natural language, voice, Wikipedia, Twitter posts
- Must be processed into (semi-structured) data to gain value

■ Semi-structured data

- Has some structure in tags but it changes with documents
- Examples: HTML, XML, JSON files, server logs

What is Big Data

- Use data from multiple sources and in multiple forms
- Involve unstructured and semi-structured data

Veracity: Trustworthiness of Data

What is Big Data

- Data involves some uncertainty and ambiguities
- Mistakes can be introduced by humans and machines
- Examples
 - People sharing accounts
 - Like sth. today, dislike it tomorrow
 - Wrong system timestamps

Data Quality is vital!

Analytics and conclusions rely on good data quality

- Garbage data + perfect model => garbage results
- Perfect data + garbage model => garbage results

GIGO paradigm: *Garbage In – Garbage Out*

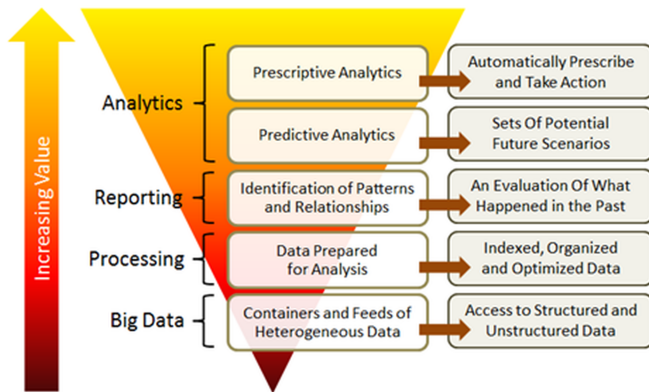
Value of Data

What is Big Data

- Raw data of Big Data is of low value
 - For example, single observations
- Analytics and theory about the data increases the value
 - Analytics transform big data into smart (valuable) data!

Big Data Analytics Value Chain

- There are many visualizations of the processing and value chain



Source: Andrew Stein [8]

From Big Data to the Data Lake [20]

- With cheap storage costs, people promote the concept of the data lake
- Combines data from many sources and of any type
- Allows for conducting future analysis and not miss any opportunity

Attributes of the data lake

- Collect everything: all time all data: raw sources and processed data
 - Decide during analysis which data is important, e.g., no “schema“ until read
- Dive in anywhere: enable users across multiple business units to
 - Refine, explore and enrich data on their terms
- Flexible access: shared infrastructure supports various patterns
 - Batch, interactive, online, search

Data Science vs. Business Intelligence (BI)

Characteristics of BI

- Provides pre-created dashboards for management
 - Repeated visualization of well known analysis steps
- Deals with structured data
- Typically data is generated within the organization
- Central data storage (vs. multiple data silos)
- Handeled well by specialized database techniques

Typical types of questions and insight

- Customer service data: “what business causes customer wait times”
- Sales and marketing data: “which marketing is most effective”
- Operational data: “efficiency of the help desk”
- Employee performance data: “who is most/least productive”

Privacy

- Privacy is a challenge for the big data business
- Be aware of privacy issues if you deal with personal/private information
- German privacy laws are more strict than those of other countries

Ziel des Datenschutzes

Recht auf informationelle **Selbstbestimmung**

- Schutz des Einzelnen vor beeinträchtigung des Persönlichkeitsrechts durch den Umgang mit seinen personenbezogenen⁸ Daten
- Besonderer Schutz für Daten über Gesundheit, ethnische Herkunft, religiöse, gewerkschaftschliche oder sexuelle Orientierung

⁸§3 BDSG, Einzelangaben über persönliche oder sachliche Verhältnisse einer bestimmten oder bestimmbaren natürlichen Person

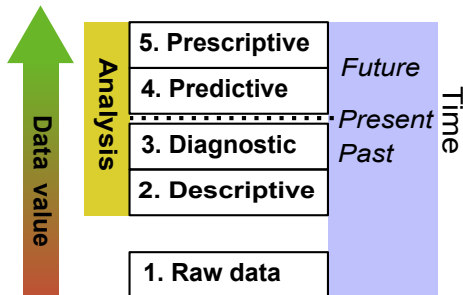
Wichtige Grundsätze des Gesetzes [10]

- Verbotssprinzip mit Erlaubnisvorbehalt
 - Erhebung, Verarbeitung, Nutzung und Weitergabe von personenbezogenen Daten sind verboten
 - Nutzung nur mit Rechtsgrundlage oder mit Zustimmung der Person
- Unternehmen mit 10 Personen benötigen Datenschutzbeauftragten
- Verfahren zur automatischen Verarbeitung sind vom Datenschutzbeauftragten zu prüfen und anzeigepflichtig
- Sitz der verantwortlichen Stelle maßgeblich
 - Bei einer Niederlassung in D gilt BDSG
- Prinzipien: Datenvermeidung, -sparsamkeit
- Schutz vor Zugriffen, Änderungen und Weitergabe
- Betroffene haben Recht auf Auskunft, Löschung oder Sperrung
- Anonymisierung/Pseudonymisierung: Ist die Zuordnung zu Einzelpersonen (nahezu) ausgeschlossen, so können Daten verarbeitet werden

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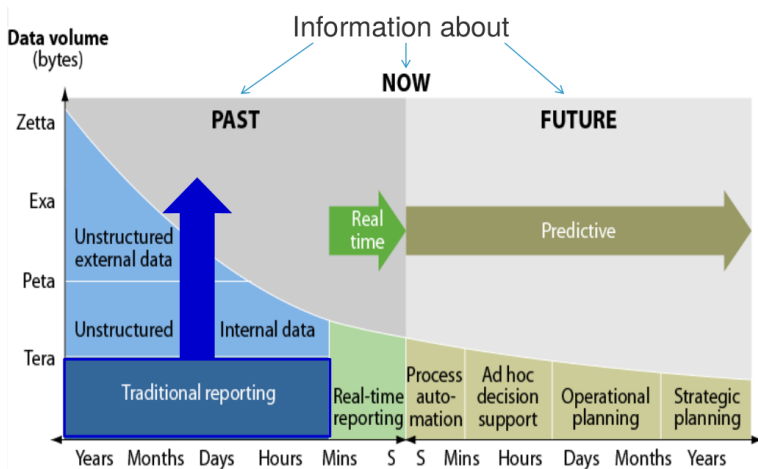
Abstraction Levels of Analytics and the Value of Data

- 1 Prescriptive analytics
(*Empfehlen*)
 - “What should we do and why?”
- 2 Predictive analytics
(*Vorhersagen*)
 - “What will happen?”
- 3 Diagnostic analytics
 - “What went wrong?”
 - “Why did this happen”
- 4 Descriptive analytics
(*Beschreiben*)
 - “What happened?”
- 5 Raw (observed) data



For me, descriptive and diagnostic analysis is forensics!

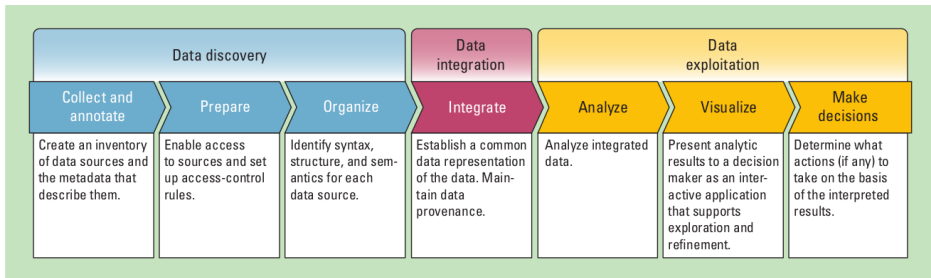
Analytics Abstraction Level



Source: Forrester report. Understanding The Business Intelligence Growth Opportunity. 20-08-2011

Data Analysis Workflow

The traditional approach proceeds in phases:



Source: Gilbert Miller, Peter Mork From Data to Decisions: A Value Chain for Big Data.

- Analysis tools: machine learning, statistics, interactive visualization
- Limitation: Interactivity by browsing through prepared results
- Indirect feedback between visualization and analysis

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) [23]

Definition

The approach of analyzing data sets to **summarize** their main **characteristic**, often with visual methods

Objectives

- Suggest hypotheses about the causes of observed phenomena
- Identify assumptions about the data to drive statistical inference
- Support selection of appropriate statistical tools and techniques
- Provide a basis for further data collection through surveys or experiments

Methods from EDA can also be used for analyzing model results / outliers

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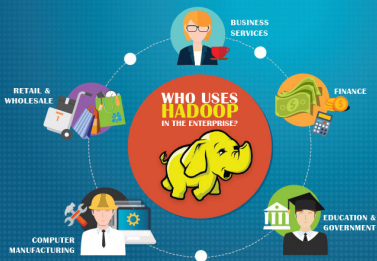
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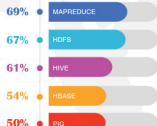
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Apache Hadoop is an open source software framework created in 2005.
Engineered for Big Data and large-scale processing applications.



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THE FUTURE OF HADOOP



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Source: [21]

Use Cases for BigData Analytics

Increase efficiency of processes and systems

- Advertisement: Optimize for target audience
- Product: Acceptance (like/dislike) of buyer, dynamic pricing
- Decrease financial risks: fraud detection, account takeover
- Insurance policies: Modeling of catastrophes
- Recommendation engine: Stimulate purchase/consume
- Systems: Fault prediction and anomaly detection
- Monetization: Extract money from gamers [27]

Science

- Epidemiology research: Google searches indicate Flu spread
- Personalized Healthcare: Recommend good treatment
- Physics: Finding the Higgs-Boson, analyze telescope data
- Enabler for social sciences: Analyze people's mood

Example Use Case: Deutschland Card [2]

Goals

- Customer bonus card which tracks purchases
- Increase scalability and flexibility
- Previous solution based on OLAP

Big Data Characteristics

- Volume: $O(10)$ TB
- Variety: mostly structured data, schemes are extended steadily
- Velocity: data growth rate $O(100)$ GB / month

Results

- Much better scalability of the solution
- From dashboards to ad-hoc analysis within minutes

Example Use Case: DM [2]

Goals

- Predict required number of employees per day and store
- Prevent staff changes on short-notice

Big Data Characteristics

- Input data: Opening hours, incoming goods, empl. preferences, holidays, weather ...
- Model: NeuroBayes (Bayes + neuronal networks)
- Predictions: Sales, employee planning
- 450.000 predictions per week

Results

- Daily updated sales per store
- Reliable predictions for staff planning
- Customer and employee satisfaction

Example Use Case: OTTO [2]

Goals

Optimize inventory and prevent out-of-stock situations

Big Data Characteristics

- Input data: product characteristics, advertisement
- Volume/Velocity: 135 GB/week, 300 million records
- Model: NeuroBayes (Bayes + neuronal networks)
- 1 billion predictions per year

Results

- Better prognostics of product sales (up to 40%)
- Real time data analytics

Example Use Case: Smarter Cities (by KTH) [2]

Goals

- Improve traffic management in Stockholm
- Prediction of alternative routes

Big Data Characteristics

- Input data: Traffic videos/sensors, weather, GPS
- Volume/Velocity: 250k GPS-data/s + other data sources

Results

- 20% less traffic
- 50% reduction in travel time
- 20% less emissions

Example Facebook Studies

“Insight” from [11] by exploring posts

- Young narcissists tweet more likely.
Middle-aged narcissists update their status
- US students post more problematic information than German students
- US Government checks tweets/facebook messages for several reasons
- Human communication graph has an average diameter of 4.74

Manipulation of news feeds [13]

- News feeds have been changed to analysis people’s behavior in subsequent posts
- Paper: “Experimental evidence of massive-scale emotional contagion through social networks”

Learning Behavior

Games

- DeepMind playing atari games [29]
- AlphaGo wins vs. humans in playing Go [26]
- AI beating world's best gamer in Dota 2 [28]

Motion

- Learning hand motion by human training [30]
- Robots learning to pick up items [31]

Systems: Fault Prediction and Anomaly Detection

Smart buildings [24]

- Predicting faults of heating and ventilation of an hospital
- Predicted 76 of 124 real faults and 41 of 44 exceptional temperatures
- May consider weather to control systems automatically

Google DeepMind AI [25]

- Controlling 120 variables in the data center (fans, ...)
- Saves 15% energy of the overall bill

Automatize Classification

Analysis of multimedia

- Voice, face, biometric recognition
- Speech recognition
- Counting (animal) species on pictures / videos
- Finding patterns on satellite images (e.g., damn, thunderstorms)
- Anomalies in behavior (depressed people)
- Anomalies in structures (operational condition)

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Programming BigData Analytics

High-level concepts

- SQL and derivatives
- Domain-specific languages (Cypher, PigLatin)

Programming languages

- Java interfaces are widely available but low-level
- Scala language increases productivity over Java
- Python and R have connectors to popular BigData solutions

In the exercises, we'll learn and use Python and R

Tools for Data Exploration

Mandatory features

- Interactive
- Rich set: visualization, data manipulations, algorithms
- Real-time processing of big data

Tools (excerpt)

- Closed source: SAS, Spotfire, Domo, Tableau
- Open source: **R, Python/Jupyter**/Bokeh, GoogleVis
- Other open source tools, see [19]

Requirements

- Usability
- Flexible
- Performance

Productivity

Productivity is a very important metric for Big Data tools

Development environments

- 1 Text editor; workflow: edit, save, (compile), run on a server
 - Notepad, gedit
- 2 Interactive shell; type code and execute it
 - Python, SQL frontend
- 3 IDE; optimized workflow of the text editor, may run code on a server
 - NetBeans, Eclipse, VisualStudio
- 4 Interactive lab notebook; type code and store it together with results
 - Examples: Jupyter, Apache Zeppelin
 - Embedded in GitHub:
https://github.com/jakevdp/PythonDataScienceHandbook/blob/master/code_listings/03.11-Working-with-Time-Series.ipynb
- 5 Lab notebook + IDE;
 - Examples: Spyder

Introduction to Python

- Open source
- Position 5 on TIOBE index
- Interpreted language
- Weak type system (errors at runtime)
- Development tools: any editor, interactive shell, Spyder
- Many useful libraries: matplotlib⁹, NumPy, SciPy, Pandas
- *Note: Use and learn Python 3*

Specialties

- Strong text processing
- Simple to use
- Support for object oriented programming
- Indentation is relevant for code blocks

⁹<http://matplotlib.org/gallery.html>

Example Python Program

```
1 #!/bin/env python
2 import re # use the module 're'
3
4 # function reading a file
5 def readFile(filename):
6     with open(filename, 'r') as f:
7         data = f.readlines()
8         f.close()
9         return data
10    return [] # return an empty array/list
11
12 # the main function
13 if __name__ == "__main__":
14     data = readFile('intro.py')
15     # iterate over the array
16     for x in data:
17         # extract imports from a python file using a regex
18         m = re.match("import[ \t]+(?P<WHAT>[^\# ]*)", x)
19         if m:
20             print(m.group("WHAT"))
21             # dictionary (key value pair)
22             dic = m.groupdict()
23             dic.update( {"FILE" : 'intro.py'}) # append a new dict. with one key
24             # use format string with dictionary
25             print("Found import '%(WHAT)s' in file %(FILE)s" % dic )
26             # Prints: Found import 're' in file intro.py
```

Example Python Classes

```
1 from abc import abstractmethod
2
3 class Animal():
4     # constructor, self are instance methods, else class methods
5     def __init__(self, weight):
6         self.__weight = weight # private variables start with __
7
8     # decorator
9     @abstractmethod
10    def name(self):
11        return self.__class__.__name__ # reflection like
12
13    def __str__(self):
14        return "I'm a %s with weight %f" % (self.name(), self.__weight)
15
16    class Rabbit(Animal):
17        def __init__(self):
18            # super() is available with python 3
19            super().__init__(2.5)
20
21        def name(self):
22            return "Small Rabbit" # override name
23
24    if __name__ == "__main__":
25        r = Rabbit()
26        print(r) # print: I'm a Small Rabbit with weight 2.500000
```

Introduction to R

- Based on S language for statisticians
- Open source
- Position 19 on TIOBE index (but rising)
- Interpreter with C modules (packages)
- Libraries: Easy installation of packages via CRAN¹⁰
- Popular language for data analytics
- Development tools: RStudio (or any editor), interactive shell
- Recommended plotting library: ggplot2¹¹

Specialties

- Vector/matrix operations. *Note: Loops are slow, so avoid them*
- Table data structure (data frames)

¹⁰Comprehensive R Archive Network

¹¹<http://docs.ggplot2.org/current/>

Course for Learning R Programming

```
1 # Run with "Rscript intro.R" or run "R" and copy&paste into interactive shell
2 # Installing a new package is as easy as:
3 install.packages("swirl")
4 # Note: sometimes packages are not available on all mirrors!
5 library(swirl) # load the package
6
7 help(swirl) # read help about the function swirl
8
9 swirl() # start an interactive course to learn R
10
11 # a simple for loop
12 for (x in 1:10){
13   if (x < 5){
14     print(x)
15   }else{
16     print(x * 2)
17   }
18 }
```

Example R Program

```

1 # create an array
2 x = c(1, 2, 10:12)
3
4 # apply an operator on the full vector and output it
5 print( x*2 ) # prints: 2  4 20 22 24
6
7 # slice arrays, i.e., create subsets based on row numbers/names
8 print ( x[3:5] ) # prints: 10 11 12
9 print( x[c(1,4,8)] ) # prints: 1 11 NA
10
11 r = runif(100, min=0, max=100) # create array with random numbers
12 m = matrix(r, ncol=4, byrow = TRUE) # create a matrix
13
14 # slice matrix rows "m[row(s), column(s)]"
15 print( m[10:12, ] ) # Output:
16 #           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
17 #[1,] 85.46609 60.749703 10.5062183  7.449173
18 #[2,] 79.76042 52.199321 96.9699856 97.877946
19 #[3,] 37.34286  8.266282  0.3398741  1.957607
20
21 # slice rows & columns
22 print ( m[10, c(1,4)] ) # Output: [1] 85.466085  7.449173
23
24 # subset the 2D table based on a mask
25 set = m[ (m[,1] < 20 & m[,2] > 2) , ]

```

Accessing CSV Files with R

```
1 # function to create a table (data frame) and fill it with random data
2 createTable = function (size){
3   tbl = read.table(text="", col.names = c("Type", "Time"))
4   tbl[1:size, ] = 0 # initialize size times a full rows
5   tbl$Time = runif(size, min=0, max=100) # address by column name
6   # create random types, factor() for nominal data and
7   # ordered() for ordinal data
8   tbl$Type = factor(round(runif(size, min=0.5, max=3.49)),
9     levels=1:3, # three categories
10    labels=c("unknown", "good", "bad"))
11   tbl$Type[size] = "bad" # assign last element to be bad
12   return (tbl)
13 }
14 # change column names
15 colnames(tbl) = c("Typ", "Duration")
16
17 d = createTable(5)
18 # Assign the column with the name
19 print( d )
20 print( summary (d) ) # some statistics about d
21 # Write CSV incl. header
22 write.table(d, file = "mydata.csv", sep="," , row.names=FALSE)
23 # reread table
24 d = read.table("mydata.csv", header = TRUE, sep = ",")
```

Introduction to Java

- Developed by Sun Microsystems in 1995
- Object oriented programming language
- OpenJDK implementation is open source
- Source code ⇒ byte code ⇒ just-in-time compiler
 - Byte code is portable & platform independent
 - Virtual machine abstracts from systems
- Strong and static type system
- Popular language for Enterprise & Big Data applications
 - Most popular programming language (Pos. 1 on the TIOBE index)
- Development tools: Eclipse

Specialties

- Good runtime and compile time error reporting
- Generic data types (vs. templates of C++)
- Introspection via. Reflection

Example Java Program

```
1 import java.util.Scanner;
2 import java.io.FileReader;
3 import java.io.FileNotFoundException;
4 // compile with javac program.java
5 // run with java program
6 public class program{
7     // the main method is part of a class
8     public static void main(String [ ] args) throws FileNotFoundException{
9         try{
10            // read from file "program.java" and create simple tokens
11            Scanner data = new Scanner(new FileReader("program.java"));
12            while(data.hasNext()){
13                System.out.println(data.next());
14            }
15        }catch(Exception e){
16            // handle error here, we'll just rethrow the error
17            throw(e);
18        }
19    }
20 }
```

Example Java Classes

```
1 // Run: javac classes1.java and java Rabbit
2 // An abstract class is not completely implemented
3 abstract class Animal{
4     // instance member
5     private float weight;
6     // not-implemented instance function
7     public abstract String name();
8     // constructor
9     public Animal(float weight){ this.weight = weight; }
10    public String toString(){ return "I'm a " + name() + " with " +
11        weight + " kg"; }
12 }
13
14 class Rabbit extends Animal{
15     // invoke the constructor of the parent
16     public String name(){ return "Rabbit"; }
17     public Rabbit(){ super(2.5f); }
18
19     // the main method is part of a class
20     public static void main(String [ ] args){
21         Animal a = new Rabbit();
22         System.out.println(a); // I'm a Rabbit with 2.5 kg
23     }
24 }
25
26
```

Summary

- Big data analytics is a pillar of science
 - Supports building of hypothesis and experimentation
 - Challenges: 5 Vs – Volume, velocity, variety, veracity, value
- Data sources: Enterprise, humans, Exp./Observational data (EOD)
- Types of data: Structured, unstructured and semi-structured
- Roles in big data business: Data scientist and engineer
- Data science != business intelligence
- Analytics: Descriptive, diagnostic; predictive, prescriptive

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