# Python tools for MIR research

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#### We're back!

 Last time: general comments on starting project, writing code, tests, publishing code, dealing with data

 Now: some specific tips on how to organise your python projects better, and to write better\* code

#### \* organised, easy to maintain, easy to understand, faster



- \* project setup and dependency management
- \* code best practises for layout and separation
- defensive programming
- strings and files
- data formats
- \* notebooks
- visualisations
- some other python tips

### Other material

- \* ISMIR tutorial from last year
- \* MTG python tips: <u>https://mtg.github.io/pymtg/tips/tips.html</u>

- Not in this presentation (No time)
  - Testing
  - Docker
  - \* More interesting things in the python standard library
  - \* MIR tools (!)

# first things first

# don't use python 2

# Setting up projects

- You need to know what dependencies are needed to run your software
- Sometimes a library might change from version to version, keep a record of which one you used
- Different projects of yours may need different versions of libraries, or of python

# Installing python dependencies

 You should never need to use sudo to install dependencies with pip

virtualenv, pipenv, anaconda

#### virtualenv

\* \$ virtualenv env

Using base prefix '/Users/alastair/.pyenv/versions/3.7.2' New python executable in /Users/alastair/2019-05-mipfrontiers/ env/bin/python3.7 Also creating executable in /Users/alastair/2019-05-mipfrontiers/ env/bin/python Installing setuptools, pip, wheel... done.

- What should your environment be called? It's up to you. I use ENV, others use VE
- https://virtualenv.pypa.io/en/latest/

# Fully-contained python

- \* \$ ls env/ bin include lib
- \* \$ ls env/bin/ activate easy\_install activate.csh easy\_install-3.7 activate.fish pip activate.ps1 pip3 activate.xsh pip3.7 activate\_this.py python

```
python-config
python3
python3.7
wheel
```

Turn on your environment
 env/bin/activate
 source env/bin/activate

```
pip
```

```
* (env) $ pip install numpy matplotlib
   [...]
   Successfully installed cycler-0.10.0 kiwisolver-1.1.0 matplotlib-3.1.0
   numpy-1.16.3 pyparsing-2.4.0 python-dateutil-2.8.0 six-1.12.0
```

```
$ ls env/lib/python3.7/site-packages/
  __pycache__ matplotlib-3.1.0.dist-info
                                                    pyparsing.py
  cycler-0.10.0.dist-info mpl_toolkits
  python_dateutil-2.8.0.dist-info
  cycler.py
                                          setuptools
                      numpy
  dateutil
                  numpy-1.16.3.dist-info
  setuptools-41.0.1.dist-info
  easy_install.py
                                         six-1.12.0.dist-info
                          pip
  kiwisolver-1.1.0.dist-info pip-19.1.1.dist-info
                                                      six.py
  kiwisolver.cpython-37m-darwin.so pkg_resources
                                                       wheel
                      pylab.py wheel-0.33.4.dist-info
  matplotlib
  matplotlib-3.1.0-py3.7-nspkg.pth pyparsing-2.4.0.dist-info
```

# why does a venv work?

- If you run pip or python, the version from your virtualenv will be called
- This python has access to all of the packages you installed
  - how?
- \* the activate script changes \$PATH
- \* (env) \$ which python /Users/alastair/2019-05-mipfrontiers/env/bin/python (env) \$ which python /Users/alastair/2019-05-mipfrontiers/env/bin/pip

## What does this mean?

- You can actually run python or pip with a full path, and it will use the dependencies from your virtualenv
- This is really useful when you're calling your python from a script (e.g. on a cluster)

\* /scratch/aporter/project/env/bin/python -c 'import numpy; print(numpy.array(2))'

# saving and loading dependencies

- \* pip freeze > requirements.txt
- \* \$ cat requirements.txt cycler==0.10.0 kiwisolver==1.1.0 matplotlib==3.1.0 numpy==1.16.3 pyparsing==2.4.0 python-dateutil==2.8.0 six==1.12.0

\* pip install -r requirements.txt

# pipenv

- virtualenv and pip have some problems
  - if you use pip freeze, you don't know if package versions are selected specifically, or if they just came from a dependency
  - \* some people don't like the behaviour of the activate script
  - virtualenv and pip are two different programs, pipenv does the same as both in one program
- https://docs.pipenv.org/en/latest/

# using pipenv

- \* install once with pip install pipenv, or with homebrew
- \* pipenv install numpy
  - Will automatically create a virtualenv if you don't already have one
  - will create a Pipfile (your explicit packages) and
     Pipfile.lock (implicit dependencies, with exact versions)

# virtualenvwrapper and anaconda

- \* https://virtualenvwrapper.readthedocs.io/en/latest/
- Allows you to give names to your virtualenvs, manages the location of them

- https://docs.conda.io/en/latest/
- Dependency and environment management for Python and other languages
- Contains compiled binary packages for a lot of software, including non-python software

#### let's write some code

#### Project structure

- If you're writing a software package to distribute to other people, consider your package name
  - \* does it already exist on <u>https://pypi.org/</u>?
- README.md file, basic outline about what this package does
- License

## Package structure

\* mirth/ \_\_\_init\_\_.py data.py process.py README.md COPYING setup.py





- \* git init
- \* git add README.md requirements.txt Pipfile
- \* git commit
- \* git remote add origin
- \* git push -u origin master

 Don't use git add . because you might add items that you don't want in the repository

# using git efficiently

- Some types of automatically generated files shouldn't be included in your git repository
  - \* .pyc files (compiled python code)
  - your entire virtual env
  - \* .DS\_Store (from a mac)
- \* put these in a .gitignore file so that you don't accidentally commit them <u>https://github.com/github/gitignore</u>

# git out of here

- Other types of files you shouldn't include
  - \* Large data files
    - \* github has a limit of ~100MB per file, 1000MB per repo
    - If you have small data that you want to include, it's generally OK, but remember that this stays in your git history forever
  - Secrets! Be very careful about access codes (e.g. for AWS).
     People scan github and will steal your key within seconds <u>https://medium.com/@nagguru/exposing-your-aws-access-keys-on-github-can-be-extremely-costly-a-personal-experience-960be7aad039</u>



- Python doesn't put many requirements on the structure or appearance of your code
- However, consistency in code makes it easier to see patterns, find mistakes
- \* Choose a style and stick with it, but use tools to help you
- The pep8 styleguide lists some best-practises <u>https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/</u>
- \* black will automatically format your code for you <u>https://github.com/python/black</u>

# what problems do you see?



# what problems do you see?

- imports not ordered
- imports not separated
- unused import
- spacing between functions
- extra spaces in fuction def
- no spaces in assignment
- reserved keyword as variable
- use of [] in function definition
- no main guard
- \* sys.argv instead of argument parser



# code linting

 the dynamic nature of python makes it easy to make mistakes by missing variables, ordering code incorrectly, or making spelling mistakes

- pylint is a static code checker to look at your code and find common errors
- flake8 integrates pylint checks and pep8 formatting checks: <u>https://flake8.readthedocs.io/en/latest/index.html</u>

```
    $ flake8 process.py

  process.py:5:1: F401 'json' imported but unused
  process.py:7:1: E302 expected 2 blank lines, found 1
  process.py:7:16: E251 unexpected spaces around keyword /
  parameter equals
  process.py:7:18: E251 unexpected spaces around keyword /
  parameter equals
  process.py:7:21: E203 whitespace before ','
  process.py:8:5: F841 local variable 'a' is assigned to but
  never used
  process.py:8:6: E225 missing whitespace around operator
  process.py:13:1: E305 expected 2 blank lines after class or
  function definition, found 1
  process.py:13:21: W292 no newline at end of file
```

#### real-time tools for linting and formatting

# pycharm does this for you!

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# after formatting

 Doesn't rename variables for you

	∣ <b>jimport os</b>
2	import sys
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4	dimport data
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7	def do scan(dir=11.):
8	a = 1
ġ.	files = os_scandir(dir)
iñ	for f in files.
LU 11	data read datafile(f)
11	
12	
13	
14	do_scan(sys.argv[1])
15	

# learn your tools

- Find some tutorials for your favourite text editor and learn how to let them help you
- PyCharm:
  - https://twitter.com/pycharm
  - \* 42 PyCharm tips and tricks: <u>https://www.youtube.com/</u> watch?v=NSuHlqD2y94



 Don't write all of your script at the same level without functions or a main guard

\* Why?

- if you import this file, it will re-run everything
- if a processing step fails, you have to start again
- if you need to change a parameter you have to make many edits in the file

```
📥 data.py
    📥 badscript.py
import json
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from mirth import data
input_data = json.load(open("datafile.json"))
output = data.some_long_process(input_data)
fields = []
for o in output:
    fields.append(o["value"] * 1.1)
plt.plot(fields)
plt.ylabel('some numbers')
plt.show()
```

```
jimport argparse
           import json
           import os
          from mirth import data
          MULTIPLY_FACTOR = 1.1
           def read_data(filename: str) -> dict:
                       """Read a json file that contains important information."""
                       with open(filename) as fp:
                                  return json.load(fp)
          def process_data(input_data, mult_factor: float):
                       output = data.some_long_process(input_data)
                       fields = []
                       for o in output:
                                   fields.append(o['value'] * mult_factor)
                       return fields
          def main(filename: str, mult_factor: float):
                       input_data = read_data(filename)
                       output_data = process_data(input_data, mult_factor)
                       jsonname = '{}.json'.format(os.path.splitext(filename[0]))
                       with open(jsonname, 'w') as fp:
                                   json.dump(output_data, fp)
b dif __name__ == '__main__':
                       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Process important data')
                       parser.add_argument('datafile', help='json file containing important data')
                       parser.add_argument('-m', '--multiply', type=float, default=MULTIPLY_FACTOR, help='factor to multiply', type=float, default=MU
                       args = parser.parse_args()
                       main(args.datafile, args.m)
```

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# plotting in a separate file

- Save intermediate data
- If you want to change your plot layout you don't need to recompute data

import argparse import json import os from typing import List import matplotlib.pyplot as plt def plot\_data(fields: List[float], filename: str): plt.plot(fields) plt.ylabel('some numbers') plt.savefig(filename) def main(filename: str, force\_write: bool): with open(filename) as fp: data = json.load(fp) figname = '{}.png'.format(os.path.splitext(filename[0])) ath.exists(figname) or force\_write: (env) alastair@apmini:~/2019-05-mipfrontiers\$ python plotdata.py --help ta(data, figname)

Process important data

usage: plotdata.py [-h] [-f] datafile

```
positional arguments:
             json file containing result of computation
 datafile
```

#### optional arguments:

```
-h, --help show this help message and exit
           overwrite output image
```

#### ' main ':

gparse.ArgumentParser(description='Process im argument('-f', action='store\_true', default=F argument('datafile', help='json file containi

```
er.parse_args()
atafile, args.f)
```

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#### functions

 how do you remember what parameter is for what? (documentation!)

```
def process_data(data, parameter_a, parameter_b, parameter_c):
    data += 1
    parameter_a += 1
    parameter_b += 2
    parameter_c += 3
    return data + parameter_a + parameter_b + parameter_c
def read_data(filename):
    data = open(filename).read()
    process_data(data, 1, 2, 3)
                                def process_data(data, offset, parameter_a, parameter_b, parameter_c):
                                    data += 1
                                    parameter_a += offset
                                    parameter_b += offset
                                    parameter_c += offset
                                    return data + parameter_a + parameter_b + parameter_c
                                def read_data(filename):
                                    data = open(filename).read()
                                    process_data(data, 1, 2, 3, 4)
```
## named function parameters

#### \* are parameter names important? Make them required

```
def process_data(data, *, offset, parameter_a, parameter_b, parameter_c):
    data += 1
    parameter_a += offset
    parameter_b += offset
    parameter_c += offset
    return data + parameter_a + parameter_b + parameter_c
def read_data(filename):
                                          def process_data(data, *, offset, parameter_a, parameter_b, parame
    data = open(filename).read()
                                              data += 1
    process_data(data, 1, 2, 3, 4)
                                              parameter_a += offset
                                              parameter_b += offset
              Unexpected argument more... (%F1)
                                              parameter_c += offset
                                              return data + parameter_a + parameter_b + parameter_c
                                          def read_data(filename):
                                              data = open(filename).read()
                                              process_data(data, offset=4, parameter_a=1, parameter_b=2, par
```

https://python-3-for-scientists.readthedocs.io/en/latest/python3\_advanced.html

# type hints

- \* Ensure that the values of your parameters are correct
- This is not checked by python when you run it, but external tools (e.g. pycharm) can use it for notifying you of potential errors

# defensive programming

Python's dynamic nature makes it easy to make mistakes

```
>>> mydict = {}
>>> mydict['no_data']
Traceback (most recent call last):
   File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
KeyError: 'no_data'
```

- \* Did you get this data from an external source?
  - \* first thing to ask is "what happens if this data isn't available?"
  - Are you sure that all items in the dictionary have the key that you want?
- KeyError, AttributeError imagine if this happens after it's been running for hours or days

# defensive programming

- \* Getting data from the web, what if the site goes down?
  - \* always consider possible HTTPErrors
- \* reading files, what if there's a parsing error?
  - \* json can raise ValueError
- If the file doesn't exist?
  - \* Or the folder that you want to write something to?
- \* if you call int() to turn a string into an integer, what if it's not an integer?

# defensive programming



Tools can help

- Think carefully about your data and the operations you are performing on it
- Never trust data from other people (or even from yourself)

strings!

- Lots of people complained about the changes to strings in python 3, but I think it's made things a lot simpler
  - written text is a string
  - when you read and write files, the string is turned into bytes using an encoding (e.g. utf-8)
  - some functions implicitly perform this translation for you, but you can force it if you need to

In [ <b>1</b> ]:	<pre>mytext = "español"</pre>
In [ <b>2</b> ]:	type(mytext)
Out[ <b>2</b> ]:	str
In [ <b>3</b> ]:	mytext.encode("utf-8")
Out[ <b>3</b> ]:	b'espa\xc3\xb1ol'
In <b>[4]</b> : Out <b>[4]</b> :	<pre>type(mytext.encode("utf-8")) bytes</pre>

https://medium.com/@andreacolangelo/strings-unicode-and-bytes-inpython-3-everything-you-always-wanted-to-know-27dc02ff2686

# reading strings



# reading bytes

- \* Why might you want to read bytes?
  - data file that you want to process
  - \* spectrogram images?
  - \* manually-encoded data



# strings from the internet



# writing strings

- \* Reading in reverse!
- \* Make sure everything is a string and use implicit conversion

```
In [5]: with open("datafile", "w", encoding="utf-8") as fp:
...: fp.write(mytext)
...:
In [6]: with open("datafile", "w", encoding="utf-8") as fp:
...: fp.write(mytext.encode("utf-8"))
...:
TypeError Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-6-9f205e5fd76e> in <module>
1 with open("datafile", "w", encoding="utf-8") as fp:
----> 2 fp.write(mytext.encode("utf-8"))
3
TypeError: write() argument must be str, not bytes
```

# writing strings

\* or make sure everything is a byte and use explicit conversion



# storing data on disk

- Do you have more than 5,000 items? split them into multiple folders based on part of the filename or id
- Why? the way filesystems work can make it slow to get listings of files when there are thousands of files in a directory

```
def write_file(basedir, item_id, data):
    """Write data to a file inside a subdirectory based on
        the item_id mod 10"""
        dirname = item_id % 10
        dirname = os.path.join(basedir, '{:02d}'.format(dirname))
        os.makedirs(dirname, exist_ok=True)
        filename = os.path.join(dirname, '{}.dat'.format(item_id))
        with open(filename, 'wb') as fp:
            fp.write(data)
```

# reading files

\* use os.walk to get a list of filenames in a directory



# how many files should you have?

- \* Consider also how many files you want to write
  - Lots of small files (10s of thousands or more) means that you'll spend a lot of time just opening or writing files
  - This can impact runtime
- Consider bundling data into fewer larger files
- \* Don't read/write the same file over and over again

## file formats

\* What format should you use to store data?

- Python has many formats that it can read and write natively
  - \* pickle, json, csv
- Many other libraries that do similar things, depending on the type of data
  - \* numpy array, hdf5
- \* use modules for these libraries, don't write it yourself



- A representation of the memory structure of the object in python
  - Quite fast to read and write
  - Has some different versions e.g. you can't open a pickle from python 3 in python 2
  - Don't share data to other people with it a pickle can contain executable code and is therefore a potential security issue. Use a data format instead

#### CSV

- See our CSV tip: <u>https://mtg.github.io/pymtg/tips/tips.html</u>
- \* always use the csv module
- \* Don't do this: data = open('myfile.csv').read() lines = data.split('\n') rows = lines[0].split(',')
- \* pandas will read csv files, but they must be "square"

#### CSV

Remember that you can read large files line by line to get just the data that you need with open('myfile.csv') as fp: r = csv.reader(fp) for line in r: data.append(line[9])

```
json
```

- is easy to deal with, and reflects python dictionaries really well
- However, it's really inefficient
- You load all of the data into memory to read just a single field

```
"calan-yaman": {
  "info": {
    "title": "".
   "artist": "Yashaswi Sirpotdar",
   "link": "https://www.kadenze.com/courses/north-inc
   "trackFile": "calan-yaman.mp3",
    "duration": 92.08014583333333
  },
  "rag": {
    "name": "राग यमन",
   "nameTrans": "Rāg Yaman",
   "pitchSpace": [
        "svara": "Dha",
        "pitch": 187.147,
        "cent": -280.0,
        "function": "",
        "key": "q"
      },
      Ł
        "svara": "Ni",
        "pitch": 207.652,
        "cent": -100.0,
        "function": "samvadi",
        "kev": "w"
     },
        "svara": "Sa",
        "pitch": 220.0,
        "cent": 0.0,
        "function": "sadja",
        "kev": "a"
      },
                                                  55
```

# improving json

- Consider the size of repeated key names \*
  - \* if you have 1000 items with 5 keys each, length 10 that's almost half a megabyte of just keys!
- \* numbers are stored as text! pitch here is 7 bytes (56 bits)
  - do you really need decimal points in Hz? a 16-bit integer would store the same data
- \* spaces after key names are optional, as are newlines
  - save 2 bytes per line

"svara": "Dha", "pitch": 187.147, "cent": -280.0, "function": "", "kev": "a" },

{

#### json caveats

\* with open(filename, 'w') as fp: json.write(data, fp, indent=0, separators=(',', ':'))

\* but! if you have newlines, git diffs look good. consider your data

```
alastair@apmini:~/2019-05-mipfrontiers$ git diff data.json
diff --git a/data.json b/data.json
index 2c9570b..e3eaa37 100644
--- a/data.json
+++ b/data.json
@@ -1,7 +1,7 @@
{
    "pitchSpace": [
        {
        " svara": "Dha",
        + "svara": "newvalue",
        "pitch": 187.147,
        "cent": -280.0,
        "function": "",
```

### other file limitations

- \* Some filesize limits to keep in mind
  - \* FAT32 has a 4gb file limit
  - \* The original zip format has a 4gb archive size limit
- People might not always want to download a huge archive to get just a small amount of data
  - if you're splitting data up into folders, consider making archives of each folder - smaller to download

## notebooks



- https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/In2RIMdmvIp25Xy5thJUhkKGvjtV-dkAIsUXP-AL4ffl/edit#slide=id.g362da58057\_0\_1
- video of presentation <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7jiPelFXb6U</u>

### notebooks can be great...

#### https://github.com/MTG/Ismir2018TutorialNotebooks/blob/master/notebooks/tuningAnalysis\_SingleRecording.ipynb

#Detect intervals from pitch distribution and plot them on the figure intervals = np.array(peakLocationDetection(pcd)) \* pd\_params['step\_size'] plt.vlines(intervals, 0, max(pcd), color='r', lw=2) print('Intervals computed: {} (cents with respect to tonic)'.format(intervals)) Intervals computed: [ 160 300 500 710 800 885 1000] (cents with respect to tonic) Pitch distribution 0.020 0.015 ğ ď 0.010 5 æ Relative 0.005 0.000 1500 -500 500 1000 Ó Distance to tonic(cents) Octave folded pitch distribution 0.025 0.020 0.015 of freq. 0.010 0.005 Re 0.000 200 400 600 800 1000 1200 Distance to tonic(cents)

#### Creating the Scala file

Pytho

Writing the scale to .scl file which can be loaded in Scala with which one can sonify the estimated scale

```
In [ ]: scalaFile = os.path.join(dataDir, '{}.scl'.format(mbid))
with open(scalaFile, 'w') as fp:
    fp.write('! autopeak.scl\n!\nFile created by tuningAnalysis\n'+str(len(intervals)+1)+'\n!\n')
#First octave
for interval in intervals:
    fp.write(str(float(interval))+'\n')
fp.write(str(float(cENTS_IN_OCTAVE))+'\n')#octave
fp.close()
```

#### Loading the estimated scale in Scala

Initiate a synthesizer your Scala software can communicate with for synthesis (for example simplesynth). Open Scala and click

## but...

- You can execute cells out of order, encouraging you to not think about your program flow
- The editor doesn't have a lot of great functionality that other tools give you (code formatting, autocomplete, code checking)
- It encourages you to not think about the structure and reproducibility of your code
- difficult to test
- difficult to copy/paste examples

# how do you use git?

diffgit a/My Notebook.ipynb b/My Notebook.ipynb	
index dbcc2947b1392c 100644	
a/My Notebook.ipynb	
+++ b/My Notebook.ipynb	
@@ -52,13 +52,32 @@	
},	
{	
"cell_type": "code",	
- "execution_count": null,	
+ "execution_count": 6,	
"metadata": {},	
- "outputs": [],	
+ "outputs": [	
+ {	
+ "ename": "AttributeError",	
+ "evalue": "module 'csv' has no attribute 'open'",	
+ "output_type": "error",	
+ "traceback": [	
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Python tools " n = csv "	
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## notebook recommendations

- \* Go and watch the presentation
- This doesn't mean that you shouldn't use notebooks. Know their strengths and weaknesses

- \* A good compromise is to write your code in a file and then use a notebook to show it off and display visualisations
  - your code benefits from source control, tests
  - you still get pretty inline pictures, and you can tell a story with your code

#### visualisation

- presentation of your data is important to get your point across
- be careful with matplotlib default settings, they often don't look great
  - If you have time, play around with the colour pallets and themes (<u>https://matplotlib.org/users/dflt\_style\_changes.html</u>)
  - \* Take a look at seaborn for graphs (<u>https://seaborn.pydata.org/</u>)
  - Think about the layout of your data

### data-to-ink ratio

\* Take some time to think about the data that you're presenting





\* https://www.darkhorseanalytics.com/blog/data-looks-better-naked

#### can you remove more?





\* see also <u>https://gorelik.net/2018/03/21/three-most-common-mistakes-in-data-visualization-%E2%80%A8and-how-to-avoid-them-now-the-slides/</u>

# pie charts

\* Pie charts make it difficult for people to intuit ratios



https://www.darkhorseanalytics.com/blog/salvaging-the-pie

## tables

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Role	Name	Year of the	Debut	Number of Fans	Takedown Rate
Face (The Hero)	The Ultimate Warrior	Tiger	May-2011	97320.00	86.2
Face (The Hero)	Hulk Hogan	Oxen	Jan-2008	988551.00	61.978
Face (The Hero)	Macho Man Randy Savage	Monkey	Feb-2008	157618.00	59.29
Face (The Hero)	Hacksaw Jim Duggan	Pig	Mar-2008	30300.00	53.4332
Face (The Hero)	Superfly Jimmy Snuka	Dragon	Mar-2008	12341.00	52.7
Heel (The Bad Guy)	Rowdy Roddy Piper	Rooster	Jun-1968	71645.00	45.4
Heel (The Bad Guy)	The Million Dollar Man Ted DiBiase	Rat	Apr-1975	449342.00	43.7689
Heel (The Bad Guy)	Mr. Perfect Curt Henning	Rat	May-1980	13773.00	38
Heel (The Bad Guy)	Jake the Snake Roberts	Snake			
Jobber (The Unknown)	Brad Smith	Sheep	Pole	Na	

Sheep

Snake

Role	Name	Year of the	Debut	Thousands of Fans	Takedown Rate
Face (The Hero)	The Ultimate Warrior	Tiger	May-2011	97.3	86.2
	Hulk Hogan	Oxen	Jan-2008	988.6	62.0
	Macho Man Randy Savage	Monkey	Feb-2008	157.6	59.3
	Hacksaw Jim Duggan	Pig	Mar-2008	30.3	53.4
	Superfly Jimmy Snuka	Dragon	Mar-2008	12.3	52.7
Heel (The Bad Guy)	Rowdy Roddy Piper	Rooster	Jun-1968	71.6	45.4
	The Million Dollar Man Ted DiBiase	Rat	Apr-1975	449.3	43.8
	Mr. Perfect Curt Henning	Rat	May-1980	13.8	38.0
	Jake the Snake Roberts	Snake	Jul-1975	5.6	38.0
Jobber (The Unknown)	Brad Smith	Sheep	Aug-2008	1.1	36.3
	Ted Duncan	Sheep	Aug-2008	0.2	33.6
	Joey the Uber Nerd Cherdarchuk	Snake	Aug-2008	0.0	21.0

https://www.darkhorseanalytics.com/blog/clear-off-the-table

Jobber (The

Unknown)

Jobber (The

Unknown)

Ted Duncan

Joey the Uber Nerd

Cherdarchuk

#### tables in latex

\* like visualisations, consider what data you can remove



Classifier	Accuracy	Normalized	Random	Size	Number
		accuracy	baseline		of classes
GTZAN	75.5165 %	75.6501 %	10 %	1,000	10
MABDS	60.2543 %	43.5339 %	11.1 %	1,886	9
ROS	87.5632 %	87.5838 %	12.5 %	400	8
MAGD	47.7491 %	47.7499 %	9.09 %	2,266	11
TAG	47.8711 %	47.8730 %	7.69 %	2,964	13

Table 1: Cross-validation accuracies for all classifier models.

### tables in latex

#### \* use booktabs for nice looking tables

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Classifier	Accuracy	Normalized accuracy	Random baseline	Size	Number of classes
GTZAN	75.52	75.65	10	1000	10
MABDS	60.25	43.5	11.1	1886	9
ROS	87.56	87.58	12.5	400	8
MAGD	47.75	47.75	9.09	2266	11
TAG	47.87	47.87	7.69	2964	13

Table 1: Cross-validation accuracies (%) for all classifier models.

# a bunch of python tips

# mtg python tips

- \* we publish "tip of the week" (every few weeks/once a month)
- \* See them here: https://mtg.github.io/pymtg/tips/tips.html
## speed of access in datastructures

- As a list gets longer, checking for set membership takes longer >>> mylist = [1, 2, 3, 4, ..., 1million, ..., 2million] >>> 50 in mylist False
- \* Use a set when you want to check
  >>> myset = set(mylist)
  >>> 50 in myset # <- super fast</pre>

https://docs.python.org/3.7/library/stdtypes.html#set-types-set-frozenset

# looping

- dictionaries
- \* don't do this
  for k in mydict.keys():
   v = mydict[k]
- \* lists
- \* i = 0
  for item in mylist:
   print(i, item)
   i += 1

\* do this
for k, v in mydict.items():

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* for i, item in
enumerate(mylist):
    print(i, item)
```

. . .

### dictionary tricks

data = {}
for r in response:
 if r not in data:
 data[r] = 1
 else:
 data[r] += 1

import collections
data = collections.defaultdict(int)
for r in response:
 data[r] += 1

data = collections.Counter(response)
data.most\_common()

#### files

- Don't concatenate directories and filenames
  - \* mydir = "output/"
    filename = mydir + "filename.json"
  - \* filename = os.path.join(mydir, "filename.json")
  - Works even if mydir doesn't end in a /
- Making a directory tree
  - \* os.makedirs(os.path.join("full", "directory", "path"), exist\_ok=True)
  - \* exist\_ok means that it won't fail if the directory already exists (os.mkdir will fail)

#### the internet

- \* the requests package makes loading data from the internet easy, use it!
- \* Remember to consider your failure cases
  - site down, url doesn't exist, data isn't the format that you expect

\* <u>https://www.peterbe.com/plog/best-practice-with-retries-</u> with-requests

#### requests

\* import requests
response = requests.get('https://api.ipify.org?format=json').json()

\* from requests.adapters import HTTPAdapter from requests.packages.urllib3.util.retry import Retry ret = Retry(total=10, backoff\_factor=0.2) adaptor = HTTPAdapter(max\_retries=ret) session = requests.Session() session.mount('https://', adaptor)

```
result = session.get('https://api.ipify.org?format=json')
try:
    data = result.raise_for_status()
    parsed = data.json()
except HTTPError:
    # there was an error
except ValueError:
    # it wasn't json
```

#### more tips

- https://realpython.com/
- Python 3 cookbook: <u>http://shop.oreilly.com/product/</u> 0636920027072.do



#### **Python Cookbook, 3rd Edition** Recipes for Mastering Python 3

By Brian Jones, David Beazley

Publisher: O'Reilly Media Release Date: May 2013 Pages: 706

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