

Intro to sympy:

- variables
- differentiation
- integration
- evaluation of symbolic expressions

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In [1]: import sympy as sym
sym.init_printing() # for LaTeX formatted output

import scipy as sp

import matplotlib as mpl      # As of July 2017 Bucknell computers use v. 2.x
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Following is an Ipython magic command that puts figures in the notebook.
# For figures in separate windows, comment out following line and uncomment
# the next line
# Must come before defaults are changed.
%matplotlib notebook
#%matplotlib

# As of Aug. 2017 reverting to 1.x defaults.
# In 2.x text.ustex requires dvipng, texlive-latex-extra, and texlive-fonts-recommended
# which don't seem to be universal
# See https://stackoverflow.com/questions/38906356/error-running-matplotlib-in-latex-type
mpl.style.use('classic')

# M.L. modifications of matplotlib defaults using syntax of v.2.0
# More info at http://matplotlib.org/2.0.0/users/deflt_style_changes.html
# Changes can also be put in matplotlibrc file, or effected using mpl.rcParams[]
plt.rc('figure', figsize = (6, 4.5))      # Reduces overall size of figures
plt.rc('axes', labelsz=16, titlesz=14)
plt.rc('figure', autolayout = True)      # Adjusts subplot parameters for new s.
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NOTES

- Sympy functions, and variables, and even floats aren't the same as numpy/scipy/python analogues. For example
 - `sym.exp != sp.exp`
- Sympy has some math functions included, but not full numpy/scipy, as demonstrated in the following cells.
- Symbols that are going to be used as symbolic variable must be declared as such. This is different than in *Mathematica*.
- One consequence is that sympy symbolic expressions must be turned into scipy/numpy/python expressions if they are to be evaluated for plotting or numerical results. This is done with the `lambdify` command.
- In fall 2016 we're using sympy 1.0. Documentation and tutorial can be found at <http://docs.sympy.org/latest/> (<http://docs.sympy.org/latest/>)
- ML's conclusion as of 9/17/16: Don't mix sympy and scipy/numpy. Do symbolic work with sympy, and then switch by "lambdifying" symbolic expressions, turning them into python functions.

- sympy does have it's own plotting capabilities for symbolic expressions (matplotlib is a back-end). ML hasn't explored this very deeply; so far just using matplotlib on "lambdified" expressions.

Symbolic variables

Given the way I imported things, the following cell doesn't work.

In [2]: `exp(3.)`

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NameError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-2-d2e14ecff293> in <module>()
----> 1 exp(3.)
```

NameError: name 'exp' is not defined

This does work.

In [3]: `sym.exp(3.)`

Out[3]: 20.0855369231877

And, as in *Mathematica*, the output of the following cell will be symbolic.

In [4]: `sym.exp(3)`

Out[4]: e^3

The analogue of *Mathematica*'s `Exp[3]/N`, or `N[Exp[3]]`, is

In [5]: `sym.exp(3).evalf()`

Out[5]: 20.0855369231877

The analogue of *Mathematica*'s "slash-dot using" syntax `Exp[x]/.x->3` is

In [6]: `sym.exp(x).subs({x:3})`

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NameError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-6-abbceec8362> in <module>()
----> 1 sym.exp(x).subs({x:3})
```

NameError: name 'x' is not defined

Oops! This is an example of not having declared `x` to be a symbolic variable. Let's try again.

In sympy, variables that are going to be used as algebraic symbols must be declared as such. Here's an example of a simple declaration:

```
In [7]: x = sym.symbols('x')
        sym.exp(x).subs({x:3.})
```

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Out[7]: 20.0855369231877
```

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In [8]: type(x)
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Out[8]: sympy.core.symbol.Symbol
```

You can control, to some degree, assumptions about the symbolic variables. (As of sympy 1.0, this is still a work in progress for sophisticated assumptions.)

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In [9]: y = sym.symbols('y',negative=True)
        (4 - y).is_positive
```

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Out[9]: True
```

The variable name used in python code, and the output representation do not have to be the same. Here's a built-in example:

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In [10]: sym.pi, sym.E
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Out[10]: ( $\pi$ ,  $e$ )
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In [11]: sym.pi.evalf(), sym.E.evalf()
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Out[11]: (3.14159265358979, 2.71828182845905)
```

Sympy knows how to convert some standard variables to LaTeX output:

```
In [12]: Sigma = sym.symbols('Sigma')
        Sigma
```

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Out[12]:  $\Sigma$ 
```

But you can be more creative:

```
In [13]: sigma, sigma_p = sym.symbols('Sigma, \Sigma^{\prime}')
        sigma, sigma_p
```

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Out[13]: ( $\Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma'$ )
```

There are other shorter ways to declare symbolic variables, but you lose some of the flexibility demonstrated above. You can import directly from a set of common symbols in the following way:

- `from sympy.abc import w`

Integration

Now let's evaluate the following integral:

$$\int [\sin(xy) + \cos(yz)] dx$$

```
In [14]: x,y,z = sym.symbols('x,y,z')
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In [15]: f = sym.sin(x*y) + sym.cos(y*z) # scipy trig functions won't work!
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In [16]: sym.integrate(f,x)
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Out[16]: x cos(yz) + { 0 for y = 0
                     -1/y cos(xy) otherwise
```

Now let's make it a definite integral:

$$\int_{-1}^1 [\sin(xy) + \cos(yz)] dx$$

```
In [17]: sym.integrate(f,(x,-1,1))
```

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Out[17]: 2 cos(yz)
```

And now a 2-d integral with infinity as a limit:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2-y^2} dx dy$$

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In [18]: sym.integrate(sym.exp(-x**2 - y**2), \
                      (x, -sym.oo, sym.oo), (y, -sym.oo, sym.oo))
```

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Out[18]: pi
```

Differentiation

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In [19]: x,y,z = sym.symbols('x,y,z')
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In [20]: g = sym.cos(x)**2
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In [21]: sym.diff(g,x) # First derivative (or sym.diff(g,x,1))
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Out[21]: -2 sin(x) cos(x)
```

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In [22]: sym.diff(g,x,2) # Higher order derivative (or sym.diff(g,x,x))
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Out[22]: 2 (sin^2(x) - cos^2(x))
```

Evaluate

$$\frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial y} e^{xyz}$$

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In [23]: h = sym.exp(x*y*z)
          sym.diff(h,x,x,y)
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Out[23]: yz^2 (xyz + 2) e^{xyz}
```

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In [24]: def m(x):  
         return 3*x**4
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In [25]: sym.diff(m(x),x)
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Out[25]: 12x3
```

Evaluating sympy expressions numerically

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In [26]: x,y,z = sym.symbols('x,y,z')
```

Evaluation at a single point

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In [27]: a = 12*x**3
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In [28]: a.subs(x,2) # or a.sub({x:2}). In general, the argument is a dictionary
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Out[28]: 96
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In [29]: b = a*sym.exp(y)  
         b
```

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Out[29]: 12x3ey
```

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In [30]: b.subs(x,2)
```

```
Out[30]: 96ey
```

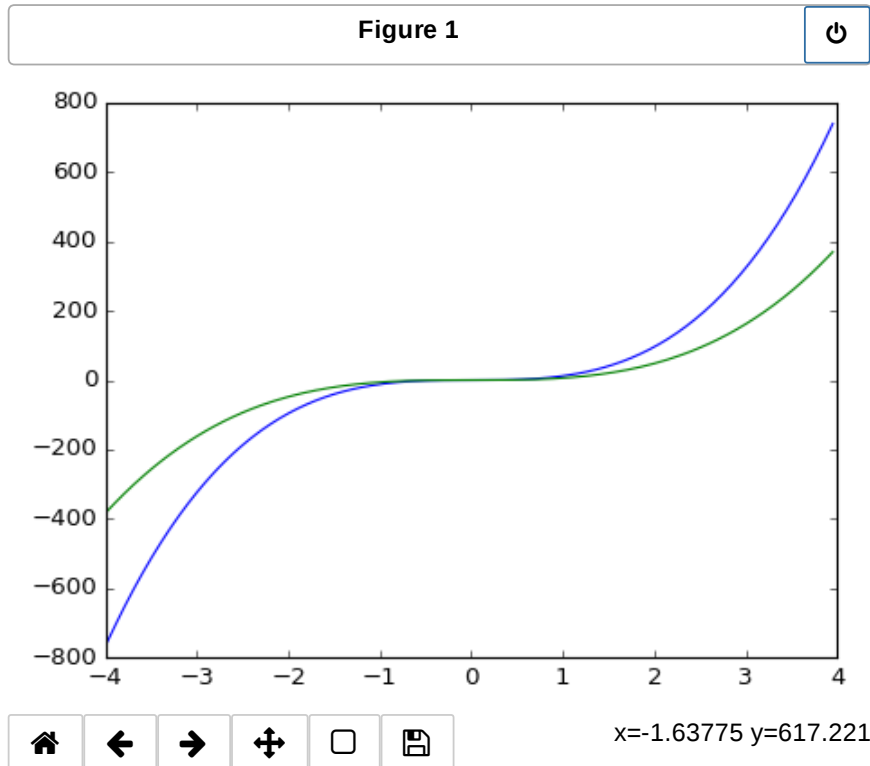
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In [31]: b.subs({x:2,y:sym.log(1/2)})
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Out[31]: 48.0
```

Turn sympy expression into a python function for subsequent use

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In [32]: f = sym.lambdify(x,a)      # Creates a python function f(x)  
         g = sym.lambdify((x,y),b)  # Creates a python function g(x,y)
```

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In [33]: xx = sp.arange(-4,4,0.05) # xx so that it doesn't collide with symbolic x
y = f(xx)
z = g(xx,sp.log(1/2))
plt.figure(1)
plt.plot(xx,y)
plt.plot(xx,z);
```



Version Information

version_information is from J.R. Johansson (jrjohansson at gmail.com)

See Introduction to scientific computing with Python:

<http://nbviewer.jupyter.org/github/jrjohansson/scientific-python-lectures/blob/master/Lecture-0-Scientific-Computing-with-Python.ipynb> (<http://nbviewer.jupyter.org/github/jrjohansson/scientific-python-lectures/blob/master/Lecture-0-Scientific-Computing-with-Python.ipynb>)

for more information and instructions for package installation.

If version_information has been installed system wide (as it has been on linuxremotes), continue with next cell as written. If not, comment out top line in next cell and uncomment the second line.

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In [34]: %load_ext version_information
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#%install_ext http://raw.githubusercontent.com/jrjohansson/version_information/master/version_info
```

Loading extensions from ~/.ipython/extensions is deprecated. We recommend managing extensions like any other Python packages, in site-packages.

In [35]: `version_information scipy, sympy, matplotlib`

Out[35]:

Software	Version
Python	3.6.1 64bit [GCC 4.4.7 20120313 (Red Hat 4.4.7-1)]
IPython	6.1.0
OS	Linux 3.10.0 327.36.3.el7.x86_64 x86_64 with redhat 7.2 Maipo
scipy	0.19.1
sympy	1.1
matplotlib	2.0.2

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In []: