NumPy arrays

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Vectorized computation



Procedural approach: for loop

```
price_list = [3.89, 14.78, 20.01, 99.62, 0.47]
euro_conversion_factor = 0.93
```

```
euro_list = []
for price in price_list:
    euro_list.append(price * euro_conversion_factor)
```

print(euro list)

NumPy library

import numpy as np

This is the convention for import and should be followed.

Vectorized computation approach

A numpy **ndarray** object is designed for **vectorized computation**.

```
import numpy as np
price_array = np.array([3.89, 14.78, 20.01, 99.62, 0.47])
euro_conversion_factor = 0.93
euro_array = price_array * euro_conversion_factor
print(euro_array)
```

Comparison of approaches

- The **procedural** approach requires the operation to be applied to each item **one at a time**.
- The vectorized approach automatically applies the operation to all elements of the array.

 Operations on NumPy arrays are carried out 10 to 100 times faster than on "normal" Python lists.

Dimensions and indexing



One vs. two dimensions

One dimension is like a list:

```
[ 3.89 14.78 20.01 99.62 0.47]
```

Two dimensions are like a table:

```
[[34506 35446 40190 43824 46456]
[45369 46894 43901 44870 45978]
[21554 28745 34369 43593 53982]]
```

More than two dimensions are possible

Indexing

```
• prices[3]
[3.6177, 13.7454, 18.6093, 92.6466, 0.4371]
• annual_sales[1, 2]
[[34506 35446 40190 43824 46456]
[45369 46894 43901 44870 45978]
```

[21554 28745 34369 43593 53982]]

• Displayed as [row, column] with zero-based indexing

Array-based calculations



where () function

- The np.where () function applies a boolean test to all array elements.
- Similar to **if** function in Excel.

• Return value is an array of the same size with pairwise substitution.

where () function



Return value is an array of the same size with pairwise substitution.

Image examples





An image can be considered a 2D array

- Each pixel is an array element
- The grayscale value ranges from 0=black to 255=white

```
[[156 157 160 ... 152 152 152]
[156 157 159 ... 152 152 152]
[158 157 156 ... 152 152 152]
...
[121 123 126 ... 121 113 111]
[121 123 126 ... 121 113 111]
```

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