

Programming for Engineers

Lecture 9 - Scientific Python: Loading and Processing Data

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Overview

1. [NumPy: Numerical Data Handling](#)

NumPy (Numerical Python) is the foundational package for numerical computing in Python. It provides support for large, multi-dimensional arrays and matrices, along with a collection of mathematical functions to operate on these arrays efficiently. NumPy's array-oriented computing is essential for scientific computing tasks, enabling high-performance operations on large datasets.

2. [SciPy: Scientific Computations](#)

```
!pip install scipy
```

SciPy is a library used for scientific and technical computing. It builds on NumPy by adding a collection of algorithms and high-level commands for data manipulation and analysis. SciPy includes modules for optimization, integration, interpolation, eigenvalue problems, algebraic and differential equations, and others, making it a powerful tool for scientific applications.

3. [Pandas: Tabular Data Processing](#)

```
!pip install pandas
```

Pandas is a library for data manipulation and analysis. It offers data structures and operations for manipulating numerical tables and time series. Pandas introduces two new data structures to Python: Series and DataFrame, which are built on top of NumPy arrays. These structures allow for fast and efficient data manipulation.

To use Pandas with excel files, you need to install the `openpyxl` package.

```
!pip install openpyxl
```

4. [scikit-learn: Machine Learning Preprocessing](#)

```
!pip install scikit-learn
```

scikit-learn is a machine learning library for the Python programming language. It features various classification, regression, and clustering algorithms, including support-vector machines, random forests, gradient boosting, k-means, and DBSCAN. Designed to interoperate with the Python numerical and scientific libraries NumPy and SciPy, scikit-learn is widely used for its simplicity and efficiency in implementing machine learning models.

5. [scikit-image: Image Processing](#)

```
!pip install scikit-image
```

scikit-image is a collection of algorithms for image processing. It is designed to interoperate with NumPy and SciPy, providing a versatile toolkit for image analysis. scikit-image includes algorithms for segmentation, geometric transformations, color space manipulation, analysis, filtering, morphology, feature detection, and more. It is widely used in academic research and industry for processing and analyzing images.

Modules

NumPy: Numerical Data Handling

Loading Data

We have covered NPY and NPZ loading in previous lectures. It is also possible to load structured text (CSV) files using NumPy.

```
# Load data from a text file
data = np.loadtxt('data.csv', delimiter=',')

# Save array to a file
np.savetxt('output.csv', data, delimiter=',')
```

Pandas: Tabular Data Processing

Even though NumPy can load CSV data, it is best to use the library dedicated to loading and processing of tabular data: Pandas.

```
import pandas as pd
```

Loading Data

```
df_csv = pd.read_csv('sales.csv', parse_dates=['order_date'])  
df_excel = pd.read_excel('sales.xlsx')
```

Creating tables

```
# From dictionary  
data = {  
    'Name': ['Alice', 'Bob', 'Charlie'],  
    'Age': [25, 30, 35],  
    'Score': [85, 92, 78]  
}  
  
df = pd.DataFrame(data)  
print(df)
```

	Name	Age	Score
0	Alice	25	85
1	Bob	30	92
2	Charlie	35	78

Data Exploration

```
print("Display first few rows")  
print(df_csv.head())  
print("---" * 20)  
  
print("Display last few rows")  
print(df_csv.tail())  
print("---" * 20)  
  
print("Display summary statistics")  
df_csv.info()
```

```

print("--" * 20)

print("Data types")
print(df_csv.dtypes)
print("--" * 20)

print("Summary statistics")
print(df_csv.describe())
print("--" * 20)

print("Unique values")
print(df_csv.nunique())
print("--" * 20)

print("Single column stats")
print("Mean sales:", df_csv['sales'].mean())
print("--" * 20)

```

Display first few rows

	order_id	order_date	category	region	sales	quantity	returned
0	ORD100083	2023-03-25	Books	South	19.06	14	False
1	ORD100366	2024-01-02	Clothing	East	30.88	11	False
2	ORD100564	2024-07-18	Books	South	10.31	11	False
3	ORD100490	2024-05-05	Books	East	20.66	11	False
4	ORD100507	2024-05-22	Electronics	South	19.22	13	False

Display last few rows

	order_id	order_date	category	region	sales	quantity	returned
995	ORD100387	2024-01-23	Books	North	11.48	5	False
996	ORD100324	2023-11-21	Books	East	28.33	3	False
997	ORD100861	2025-05-11	Books	South	37.67	6	False
998	ORD100708	2024-12-09	Clothing	North	13.89	6	False
999	ORD100484	2024-04-29	Clothing	North	16.61	18	False

Display summary statistics

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
```

RangeIndex: 1000 entries, 0 to 999

Data columns (total 7 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	order_id	1000 non-null	object
1	order_date	1000 non-null	datetime64[ns]

```

2   category      1000 non-null   object
3   region        1000 non-null   object
4   sales         1000 non-null   float64
5   quantity      1000 non-null   int64
6   returned      1000 non-null   bool
dtypes: bool(1), datetime64[ns](1), float64(1), int64(1), object(3)
memory usage: 48.0+ KB

```

Data types

```

order_id          object
order_date        datetime64[ns]
category          object
region            object
sales             float64
quantity          int64
returned          bool
dtype: object

```

Summary statistics

	order_date	sales	quantity
count	1000	1000.000000	1000.000000
mean	2024-05-14 12:00:00	21.866070	9.956000
min	2023-01-01 00:00:00	4.340000	1.000000
25%	2023-09-07 18:00:00	13.725000	5.000000
50%	2024-05-14 12:00:00	19.770000	10.000000
75%	2025-01-19 06:00:00	26.900000	15.000000
max	2025-09-26 00:00:00	86.240000	19.000000
std	NaN	11.861339	5.346649

Unique values

```

order_id          1000
order_date        1000
category           4
region             4
sales             870
quantity           19
returned           2
dtype: int64

```

Single column stats

```

Mean sales: 21.86607

```

Accessing Data

```
print("Column:", df['Age']) # Column
print("Multiple columns:", df[['Name', 'Score']]) # Multiple columns
print("Row by index:", df.iloc[1]) # Row by index
print("Row by label:", df.loc[1]) # Row by label
print("Rows by index:", df.iloc[1:3]) # Rows by index
print("Rows by label:", df.loc[1:3]) # Rows by label
print("Rows by condition:", df[df['Age'] > 30]) # Rows by condition
print("Column by index:", df.iloc[:, 1]) # Column by index
print("Column by label:", df['Age']) # Column by label
```

```
Column: 0    25
1    30
2    35
Name: Age, dtype: int64
Multiple columns:      Name  Score
0    Alice    85
1     Bob    92
2  Charlie    78
Row by index: Name    Bob
Age         30
Score       92
Name: 1, dtype: object
Row by label: Name    Bob
Age         30
Score       92
Name: 1, dtype: object
Rows by index:      Name  Age  Score
1     Bob    30    92
2  Charlie    35    78
Rows by label:      Name  Age  Score
1     Bob    30    92
2  Charlie    35    78
Rows by condition:      Name  Age  Score
2  Charlie    35    78
Column by index: 0    25
1    30
2    35
Name: Age, dtype: int64
Column by label: 0    25
```

```
1    30
2    35
Name: Age, dtype: int64
```

Filtering and selection

```
# Filter by condition
print("Filter by condition:", df[df['Age'] >= 30])

print("Filter by multiple conditions:", df[(df['Age'] >= 30) & (df['Score'] < 90)])
```

```
Filter by condition:      Name  Age  Score
1      Bob    30    92
2  Charlie    35    78
Filter by multiple conditions:      Name  Age  Score
2  Charlie    35    78
```

Grouping and aggregation

```
df_csv.groupby('region').agg({'sales': 'sum'})
df_csv.groupby('category').agg({'sales': ['mean', 'count']})
```

category	sales	
	mean	count
Books	21.376166	253
Clothing	22.035588	238
Electronics	22.467233	253
Home	21.598516	256

Saving Data

```
# Save to CSV
df.to_csv('cleaned_data.csv', index=False)
```

```
# Save to Excel
df.to_excel('cleaned_data.xlsx', index=False)
```

SciPy: Scientific Computations

optimize: Function Minimization & Curve Fitting

The `scipy.optimize` package offers algorithms for function minimization (scalar or multi-dimensional), root-finding, and curve-fitting.

Key Functions & Classes

- `scipy.optimize.minimize`: General-purpose minimization of scalar functions of one or more variables.
- `scipy.optimize.curve_fit`: Non-linear least squares fitting of a function to data.
- `scipy.optimize.root`: Find roots of a function.
- `scipy.optimize.least_squares`: Solve nonlinear least-squares with bounds.

Example: Minimizing a Non-Convex Function

```
import numpy as np
from scipy.optimize import minimize
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt

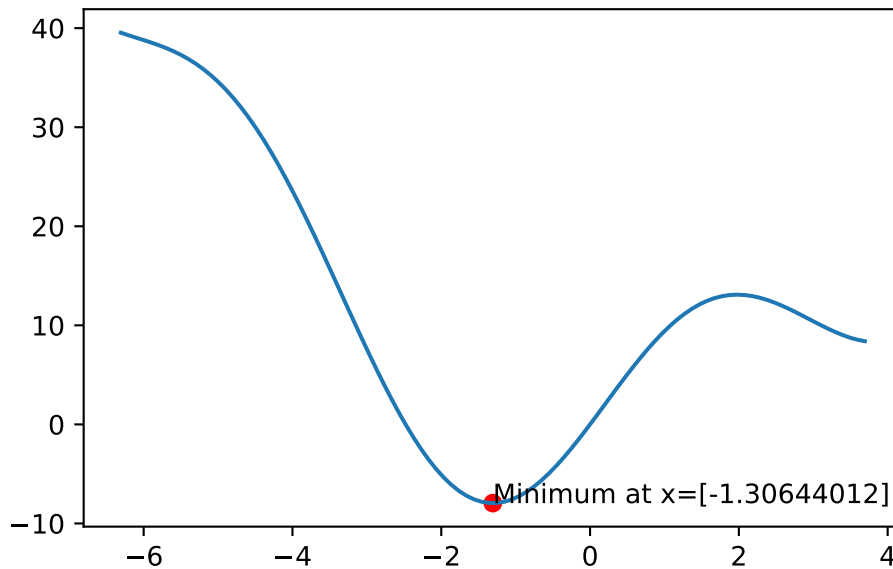
def f(x):
    return x**2 + 10*np.sin(x)

res = minimize(f, x0=0.0, method='BFGS')
print("Minimum at x =", res.x, "with value f(x) =", res.fun)

x_vals = np.linspace(res.x - 5, res.x + 5, 100)
y_vals = f(x_vals)

plt.plot(x_vals, y_vals)
plt.scatter(res.x, f(res.x), color='red')
plt.annotate(f"Minimum at x={res.x}", (res.x, f(res.x)))
plt.show()
```

Minimum at x = [-1.30644012] with value f(x) = -7.945823375615215



Example: Curve Fitting

```
import numpy as np
from scipy.optimize import curve_fit
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

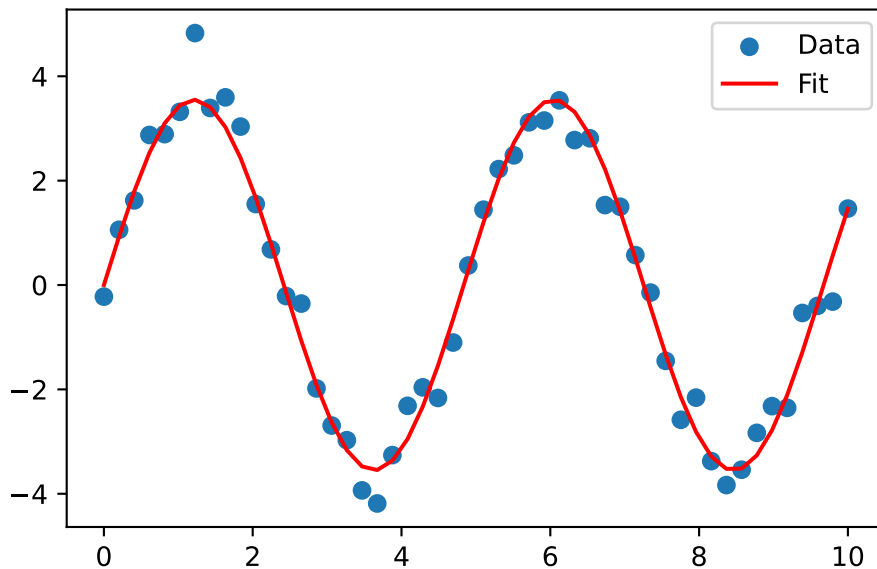
# Generate synthetic data
x = np.linspace(0, 10, 50)
y = 3.5 * np.sin(1.3 * x) + np.random.normal(0, 0.5, x.size)

# Define model
def model(x, a, b):
    return a * np.sin(b * x)

# Fit parameters
params, cov = curve_fit(model, x, y)
print("Fitted params:", params)

# Plot
plt.scatter(x, y, label='Data')
plt.plot(x, model(x, *params), 'r-', label='Fit')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

Fitted params: [3.55125647 1.29908483]



integrate: Numerical Integration & ODE Solvers

`scipy.integrate` provides functions to compute definite integrals, solve ordinary differential equations (ODEs), and perform multi-dimensional integration.

Key Functions

- `scipy.integrate.quad`: Adaptive quadrature for single integrals.
- `scipy.integrate.solve_ivp`: Modern ODE solver interface.

Example: Definite Integral

```
from scipy.integrate import quad

f = lambda t: np.exp(-t**2)
result, error = quad(f, 0, np.inf)
print("Integral of exp(-t^2) from 0 to ∞ =", result)
```

Integral of $\exp(-t^2)$ from 0 to ∞ = 0.8862269254527579

interpolate: Data Interpolation

`scipy.interpolate` offers classes and functions for one- and multi-dimensional interpolation and smoothing splines.

Key Classes & Functions

- `scipy.interpolate.interp1d`: 1-D linear and spline interpolation.
- `scipy.interpolate.griddata`: Interpolation over irregular 2-D data.
- `scipy.interpolate.BarycentricInterpolator`, `UnivariateSpline`, `RectBivariateSpline`.

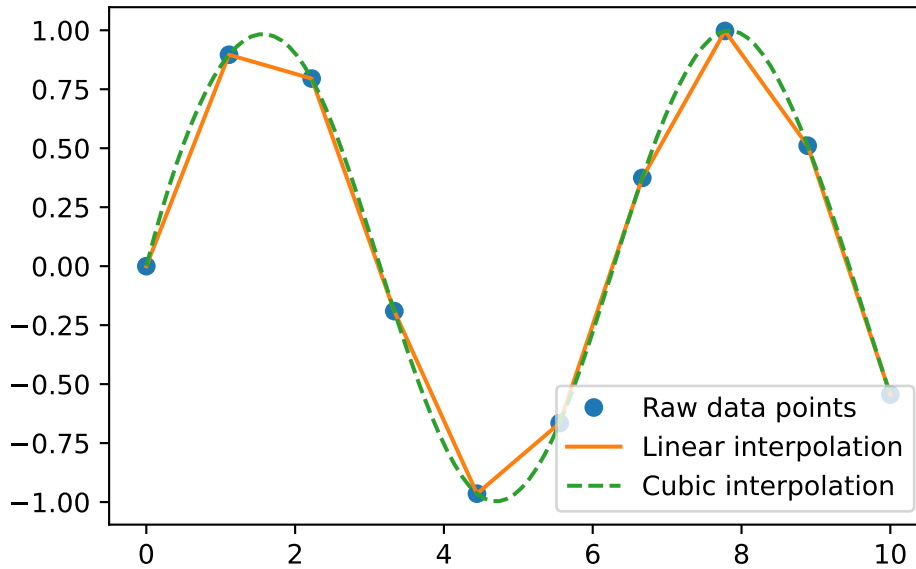
Example: 1-D Interpolation

```
from scipy.interpolate import interp1d

# Original coarse data
x_raw = np.linspace(0, 10, 10)
y_raw = np.sin(x_raw)

# Create interpolator
f_linear = interp1d(x_raw, y_raw, kind='linear')
f_cubic = interp1d(x_raw, y_raw, kind='cubic')

# Evaluate at finer grid
x_fine = np.linspace(0, 10, 100)
plt.plot(x_raw, y_raw, 'o', label='Raw data points')
plt.plot(x_fine, f_linear(x_fine), '-', label='Linear interpolation')
plt.plot(x_fine, f_cubic(x_fine), '--', label='Cubic interpolation')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



signal: Digital Signal Processing

`scipy.signal` provides signal processing tools: filtering, spectral analysis, window functions, and convolution.

Key Functions

- `scipy.signal.butter`, `scipy.signal.sosfilt` / `filtfilt`: Digital filter design and application.
- `scipy.signal.welch`: Power spectral density estimation.
- `scipy.signal.convolve`, `correlate`, `decimate`, `resample`.

Example: Butterworth Low-Pass Filter

```
from scipy.signal import butter, sosfiltfilt, convolve

# Design filter
sos = butter(4, 0.2, btype='low', output='sos')
# Create noisy signal
t = np.linspace(0, 1, 500)
sig = np.sin(2*np.pi*5*t) + 0.5*np.random.randn(500)
```

```

# Apply zero-phase filter
filtered = sosfiltfilt(sos, sig)

# Convolution with Gaussian kernel
kx = np.arange(-4, 5)
kernel = np.exp(-kx**2 / 2)
kernel /= kernel.sum()
print(kernel)
smoothed = convolve(sig, kernel, mode='same')

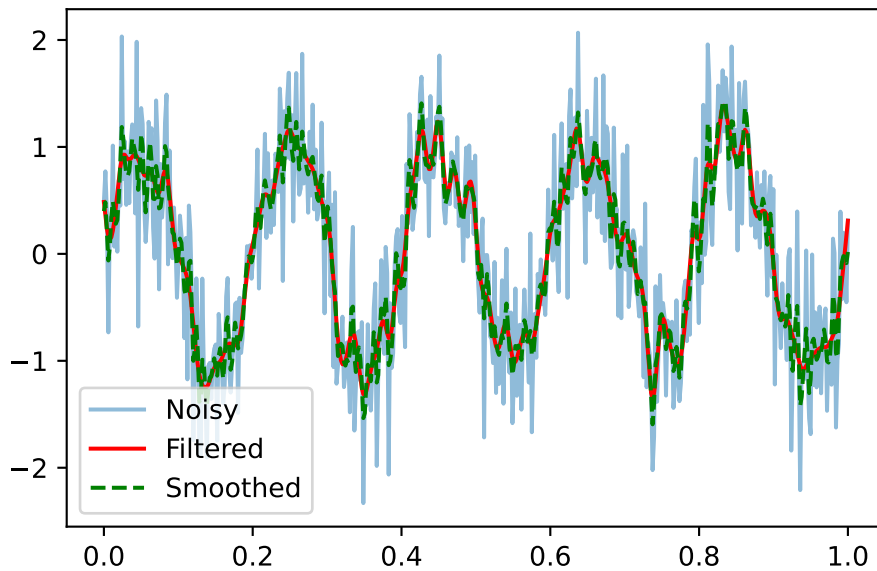
plt.plot(t, sig, alpha=0.5, label='Noisy')
plt.plot(t, filtered, 'r-', label='Filtered')
plt.plot(t, smoothed, 'g--', label='Smoothed')
plt.legend()
plt.show()

```

```

[1.33830625e-04 4.43186162e-03 5.39911274e-02 2.41971446e-01
 3.98943469e-01 2.41971446e-01 5.39911274e-02 4.43186162e-03
 1.33830625e-04]

```



fft: Fourier Transforms

`scipy.fft` Fast Fourier Transform routines for one- and multi-dimensional arrays.

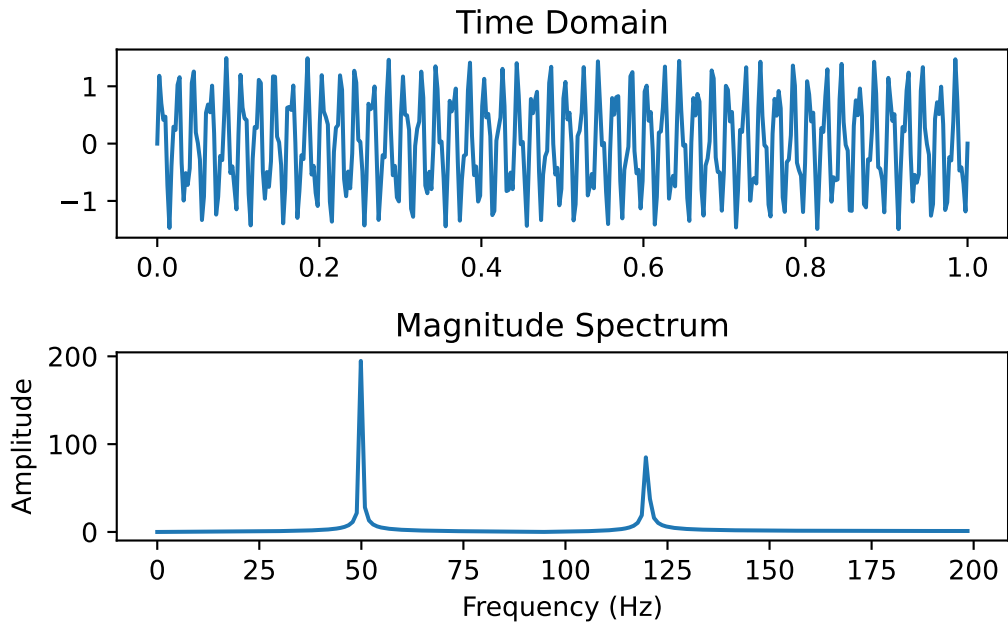
Key Functions

- `scipy.fft.fft, ifft`: Forward and inverse 1-D FFT.
- `scipy.fft.fft2, ifft2`: 2-D transforms.
- `rfft, irfft`: Real-input optimized transforms.

Example: 1-D FFT Spectral Analysis

```
from scipy.fft import fft, fftfreq

# Signal
t = np.linspace(0, 1, 400)
x = np.sin(2*np.pi*50*t) + 0.5*np.sin(2*np.pi*120*t)
# Compute FFT
X = fft(x)
freqs = fftfreq(t.size, d=t[1]-t[0])
fig, [ax1, ax2] = plt.subplots(2, 1)
ax1.plot(t, x)
ax1.set_title("Time Domain")
ax2.plot(freqs[:200], np.abs(X)[:200])
plt.title("Magnitude Spectrum")
plt.xlabel("Frequency (Hz)")
plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



stats: Statistical Functions & Tests

`scipy.stats` provides a vast collection of statistical distributions, descriptive statistics, and hypothesis tests.

Key Functions & Classes

- `scipy.stats.norm`, `gamma`, ...: Continuous distributions.
- `scipy.stats.ttest_ind`, `ttest_rel`: T-tests for independent and related samples.
- `scipy.stats.pearsonr`, `spearmanr`: Correlation coefficients.
- `scipy.stats.kstest`, `chisquare`: Goodness-of-fit tests.

Example: Two-Sample T-Test

```
from scipy.stats import ttest_ind

# Generate two samples
a = np.random.randn(100) + 0.5
b = np.random.randn(100)
```

```
stat, p = ttest_ind(a, b)
print("t-statistic =", stat, "p-value =", p)
```

t-statistic = 3.2832265469906057 p-value = 0.0012132727069695383

sparse: Sparse Matrix Tools

scipy.sparse supports sparse matrix representations for memory-efficient storage and fast arithmetic on large, sparse arrays.

Key Classes

- `lil_matrix`, `csr_matrix`, `csc_matrix`, `coo_matrix`.
 - Methods: `.dot()`, `.tocsc()`, `.toarray()`.
-

spatial: KD-Tree for Nearest Neighbors

scipy.spatial.KDTree provides efficient nearest-neighbor searches in k-dimensional space.

Key Methods

- `query`, `query_ball_point`, `query_pairs`.

Example: Nearest-Neighbor Query

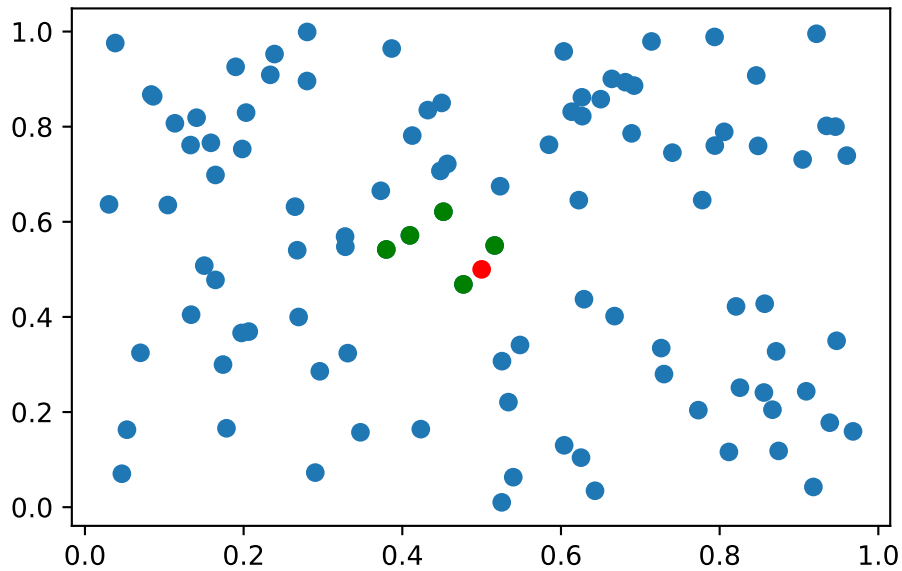
```
from scipy.spatial import KDTree

points = np.random.rand(100, 2)
tree = KDTree(points)
dist, idx = tree.query([0.5, 0.5], k=5)
print("Nearest indices:", idx)

# Plot points and nearest neighbors
plt.scatter(points[:, 0], points[:, 1])
```

```
plt.scatter([0.5], [0.5], c='r')
plt.scatter(points[idx, 0], points[idx, 1], c='g')
plt.show()
```

Nearest indices: [65 98 46 48 92]



Further Reading

- Official SciPy Reference: <https://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/>
- “SciPy Lecture Notes” for deeper dives: <https://scipy-lectures.org/>

scikit-learn: Machine Learning Preprocessing

`scikit-learn` provides a unified interface to many machine-learning algorithms and data tools from preprocessing to model selection and evaluation.

Preprocessing sklearn.preprocessing

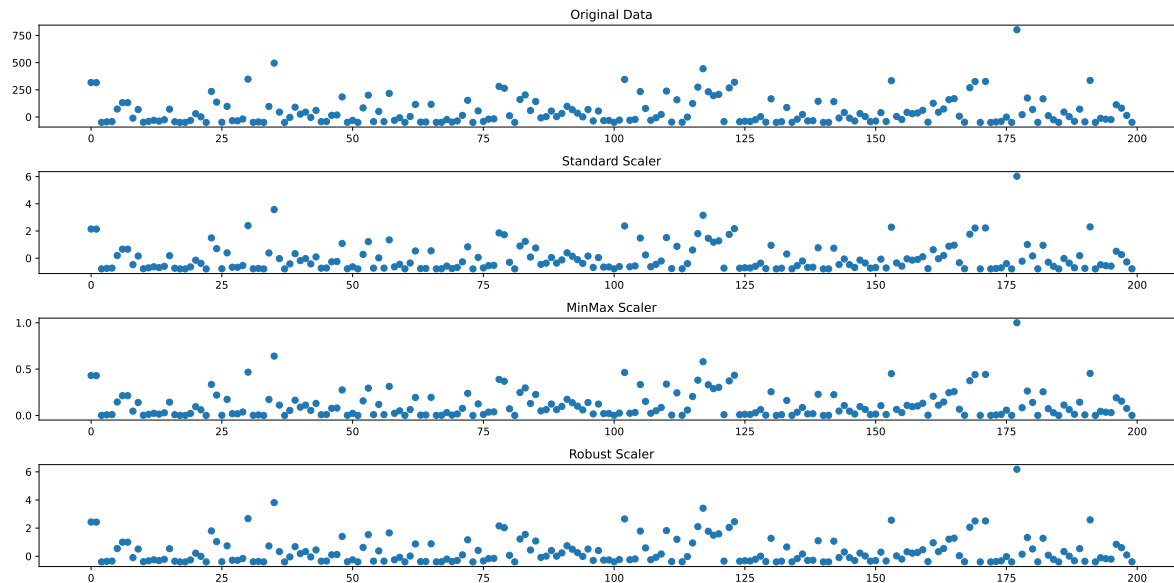
Scaling & Normalization

- **StandardScaler**: Centers features to zero mean and unit variance. Critical for algorithms assuming Gaussian-distributed features (e.g. SVM, linear models).
- **MinMaxScaler**: Scales features to a fixed range [0,1], preserving shape of original distribution but sensitive to outliers.
- **RobustScaler**: Uses median and IQR (inter-quartile range) for centering/scaling, robust to outliers.

```
import numpy as np
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, MinMaxScaler, RobustScaler

N = 200
input_data = np.random.randn(N, 1)**2 * 100 - 50
sc1 = StandardScaler().fit(input_data)
data_std = sc1.transform(input_data)
sc2 = MinMaxScaler().fit(input_data)
data_mm = sc2.transform(input_data)
sc3 = RobustScaler().fit(input_data)
data_rb = sc3.transform(input_data)

# Plot
x_vals = np.arange(N)
fig, ax = plt.subplots(4, 1, figsize=(16, 8))
ax[0].scatter(x_vals, input_data)
ax[1].scatter(x_vals, data_std)
ax[2].scatter(x_vals, data_mm)
ax[3].scatter(x_vals, data_rb)
ax[0].set_title('Original Data')
ax[1].set_title('Standard Scaler')
ax[2].set_title('MinMax Scaler')
ax[3].set_title('Robust Scaler')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



Data Splitting and Model Selection `sklearn.model_selection`

- `train_test_split`: Quick split for train/test sets.
- `KFold`, `StratifiedKFold`: Cross-validation iterators preserving distribution.

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, KFold
X = np.arange(100).reshape(10, 10)
y = np.arange(10)

X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=0)
kf = KFold(n_splits=5, shuffle=True)

for train_index, test_index in kf.split(X, y):
    print("TRAIN:", train_index, "TEST:", test_index)
    X_train, X_test = X[train_index], X[test_index]
    y_train, y_test = y[train_index], y[test_index]
```

```
TRAIN: [0 1 2 4 5 7 8 9] TEST: [3 6]
TRAIN: [1 2 3 4 5 6 7 9] TEST: [0 8]
TRAIN: [0 1 3 4 5 6 7 8] TEST: [2 9]
TRAIN: [0 2 3 5 6 7 8 9] TEST: [1 4]
TRAIN: [0 1 2 3 4 6 8 9] TEST: [5 7]
```

Estimators

Linear Models

- **LinearRegression**: Ordinary Least Squares regression.
- **LogisticRegression**: Regularized logistic classifier; supports 11/12 penalties.

```
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression, LogisticRegression

X_train = np.arange(100).reshape(10, 10)
y_tr_reg = np.arange(10)
y_tr_clf = np.array([0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1])

lr = LinearRegression().fit(X_train, y_tr_reg)
logr = LogisticRegression().fit(X_train, y_tr_clf)

print("Linear Regression intercept:", lr.intercept_)
print("Linear predictions:")
print([f"{v:.2f}" for v in lr.predict(X_train)])
print("Actual values:")
print(y_tr_reg)

print("Logistic Regression intercept:", logr.intercept_)
print("Logistic predictions:")
print(logr.predict(X_train))
print("Actual values:")
print(y_tr_clf)
```

```
Linear Regression intercept: -0.4499999999999993
Linear predictions:
['0.00', '1.00', '2.00', '3.00', '4.00', '5.00', '6.00', '7.00', '8.00', '9.00']
Actual values:
[0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9]
Logistic Regression intercept: [-36.85911953]
Logistic predictions:
[0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1]
Actual values:
[0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1]
```

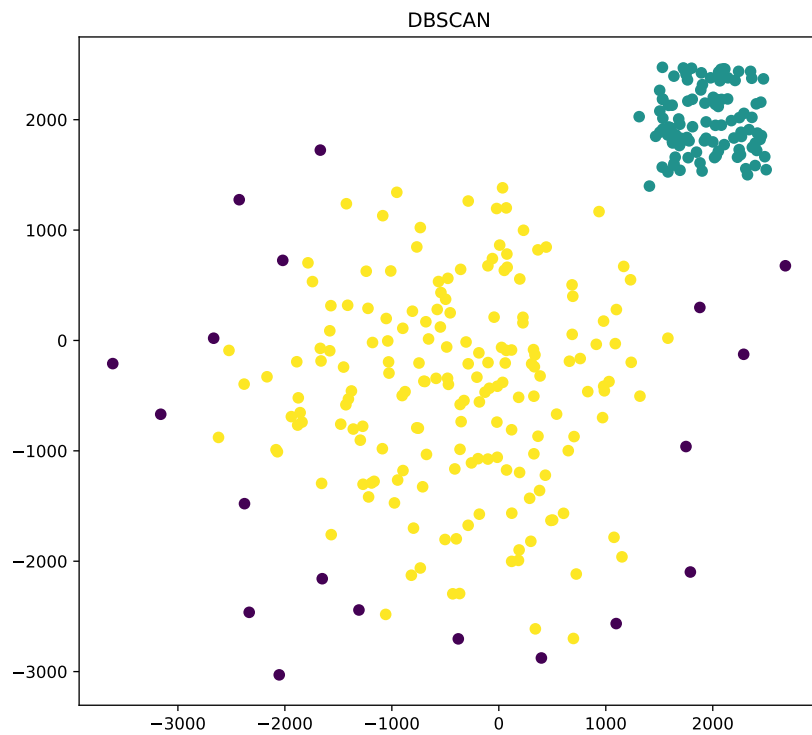
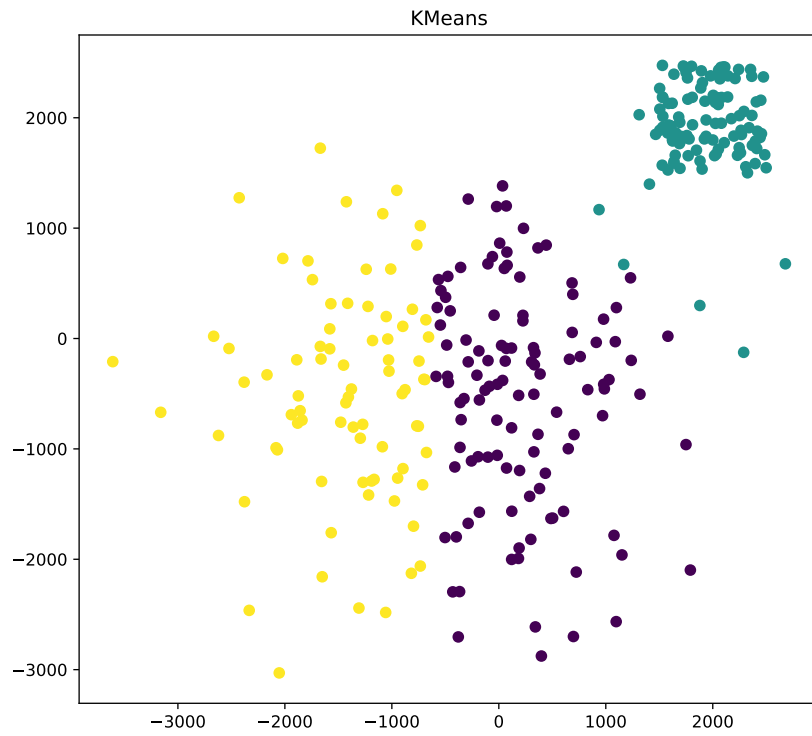
Clustering

- **KMeans**: Centroid-based clustering.

- **DBSCAN**: Density-based clustering; identifies arbitrarily shaped clusters.

```
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans, HDBSCAN
X = np.vstack([
    np.random.rand(100, 2) * 1000 + 1500,
    np.random.randn(200, 2) * 1000 - 400
])
km = KMeans(n_clusters=3).fit(X)
db = HDBSCAN().fit(X)

# Plot
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 1, figsize=(8, 16))
ax[0].scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], c=km.labels_)
ax[1].scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], c=db.labels_)
ax[0].set_title('KMeans')
ax[1].set_title('DBSCAN')
plt.show()
```



Evaluation Metrics `sklearn.metrics`

- **Classification:** `accuracy_score`, `confusion_matrix`, `roc_auc_score`.
- **Regression:** `mean_squared_error`, `r2_score`.
- **Clustering:** `silhouette_score`, `adjusted_rand_score`.

```
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, mean_squared_error

X_train = np.arange(100).reshape(10, 10)
X_test = np.arange(101, 201).reshape(10, 10)
y_train = np.arange(10)
y_test = np.arange(10, 20).astype(float)

lr = LinearRegression().fit(X_train, y_train)

y_pred = lr.predict(X_test)

print("Accuracy:", accuracy_score(y_test.astype(int), y_pred.astype(int)))
print("MSE:", mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred))
```

```
Accuracy: 1.0
MSE: 0.0099999999999999468
```

scikit-image: Image Processing

scikit-image is a library of image processing algorithms built on NumPy and SciPy.

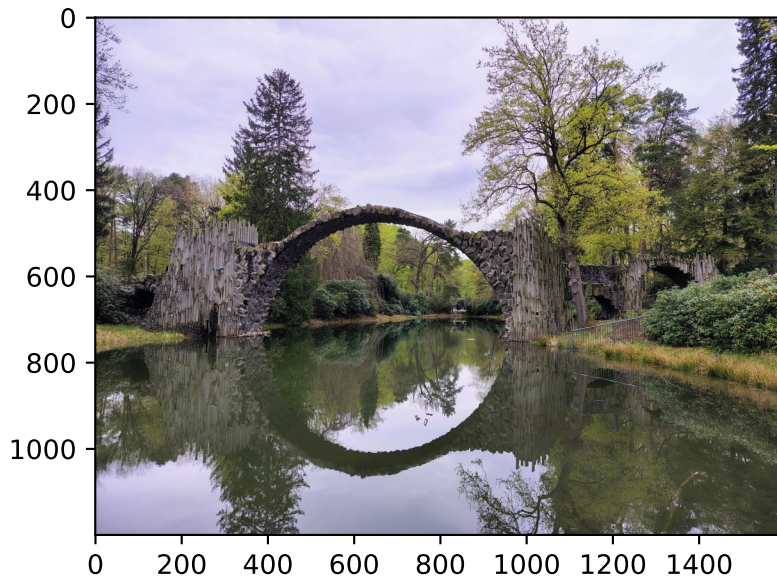
I/O Plugins `skimage.io`

- **`imread/imsave`:** Read/write images in multiple formats via plugins (PIL, imageio, tiffle, GDAL).
- **`ImageCollection`, `MultiImage`:** Efficiently handle batches of images or multi-frame TIFFs.

```

from skimage import io
import os
# base_path = os.path.dirname(__file__)
base_path = os.getcwd()
path = os.path.join(base_path, 'bridge.jpg')
img = io.imread(path)
plt.imshow(img)
io.imsave(os.path.join(base_path, 'out.png'), img)

```



```

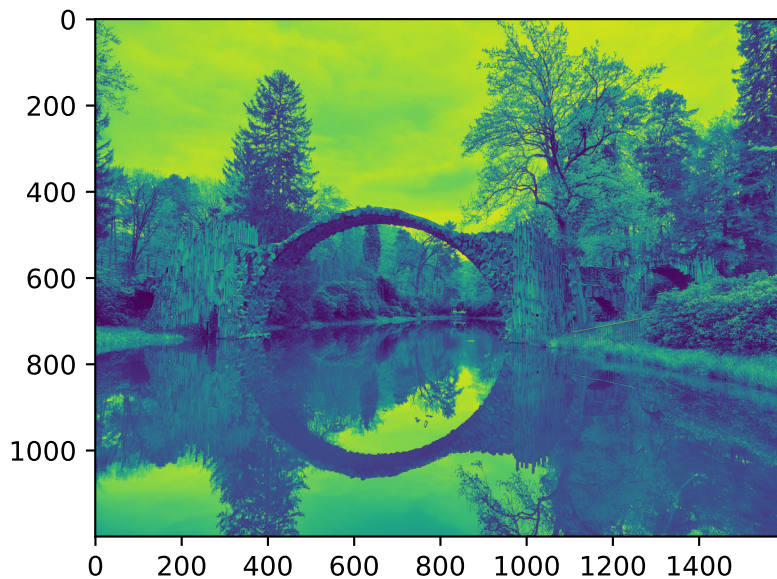
# Load a collection of images
col = io.imread_collection(
    os.path.join(base_path, multi_frames, 'frames_*.png')
)
stack = io.concatenate_images(col)

```

Color Space (skimage.color)

- `rgb2gray`, `gray2rgb`, `rgb2hsv`: Convert between color spaces.

```
from skimage.color import rgb2gray, gray2rgb
gray = rgb2gray(img)
rgb = gray2rgb(gray)
plt.imshow(gray)
```



Filtering (skimage.filters)

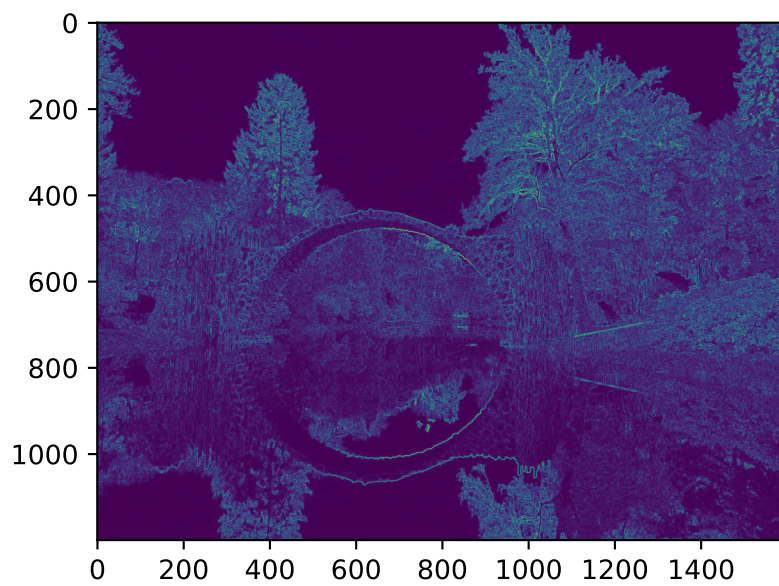
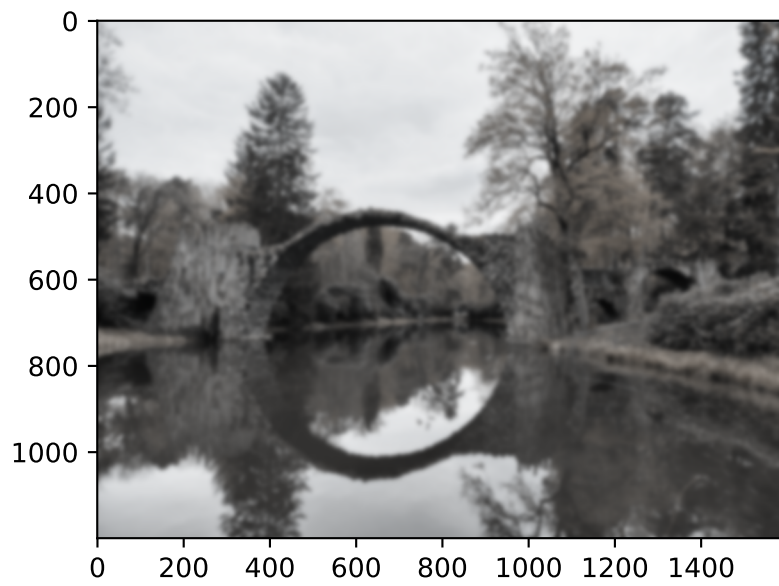
- **Edge Detectors:** `sobel`, `scharr`, `prewitt` compute image gradients.
- **Noise Reduction:** `gaussian`, `median`, `threshold_otsu` for binarization.

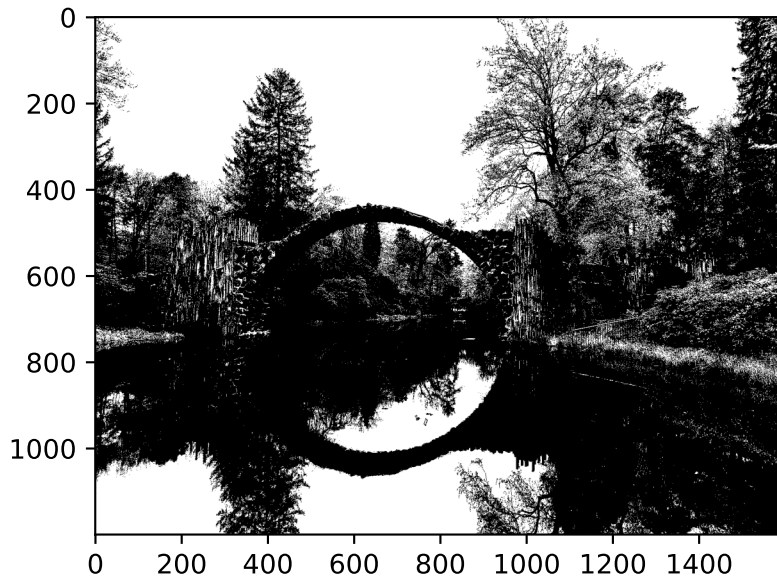
```
from skimage.filters import sobel, gaussian, threshold_otsu
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt

edges = sobel(gray)
blur = gaussian(img, sigma=5)
th = threshold_otsu(gray)
binary = gray > th

plt.imshow(blur)
plt.show()
plt.imshow(edges)
plt.show()
```

```
plt.imshow(binary, cmap='gray')  
plt.show()
```



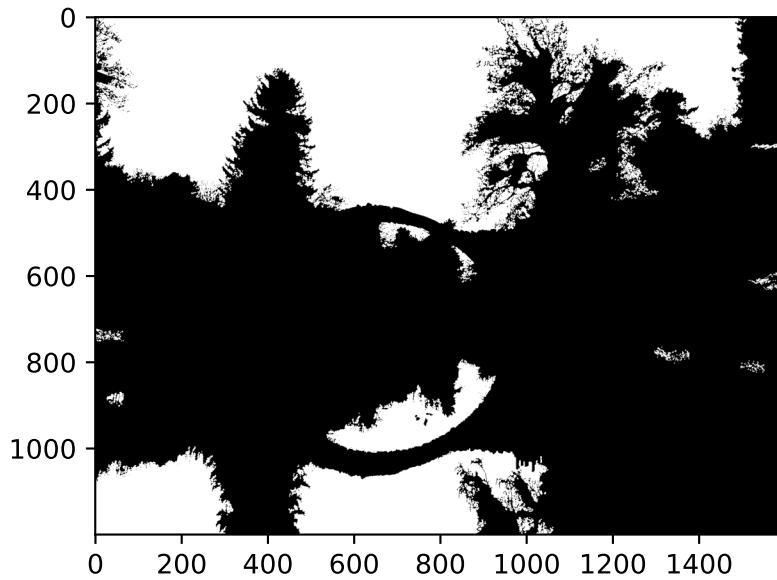


Morphology (skimage.morphology)

- Basic Ops: erosion, dilation, opening, closing.
- Advanced: skeletonize, remove_small_objects, area_closing.

```
from skimage.morphology import opening, remove_small_objects
mask = gray > th
clean = remove_small_objects(mask, min_size=512)
opened = opening(clean)

plt.imshow(opened, cmap='gray')
plt.show()
```



Geometric Transforms (`skimage.transform`)

- `resize`, `rotate`, `warp` for image warping.
- **Hough Transforms**: `hough_line`, `probabilistic_hough_line` for line detection.

```
from skimage.transform import resize, rotate
small = resize(img, (256,256))
rotated = rotate(small, 45)

plt.imshow(small)
plt.show()
plt.imshow(rotated)
plt.show()
```

