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This code reads an original data file, then, creates two lists of x-data and y-data. After that it convert both the x-data list and the y-data list from strings to floating point numbers. SL, August 25 – 26, 2020.

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f = open("C:\\LSFT\\TXT\\inv3.txt", "r") # inv3.txt is a comma separated data
a = [] # define an original list a[], all strings
b = [] # define an original list b[], all strings
list_floats_a = [] # converted list, all integer
list_floats_b = [] # converted list, all floating point numbers

for line in f:
    sp = line.split(",") # "," is very important. not ", " (no space after ",") for inv3.txt
    x = sp[0] # the string is separated into two parts, before "," and after it
    y = sp[1] # the first part is sp[0], the second part is sp[1]

    a.append(sp[0]) # creating list a (x-data), using .append method
    b.append(sp[1]) # creating list b (y-data), using .append method

for item in a: # operation in list a [ ]
    list_floats_a.append(float(item)) # convert strings in a to float using float()
    # item is the value corresponding the counter in the list.

for item in b: # operation in list b [ ];
    list_floats_b.append(float(item)) # convert strings in b to float, using float() function

f.close()

print(list_floats_a, "\n") # contents in lists and variables can be carried out to beyond
print(list_floats_b, "\n")
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