

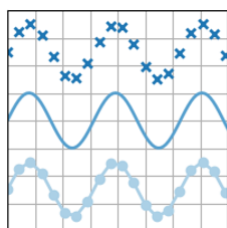
Plot types

Overview of many common plotting commands provided by Matplotlib.

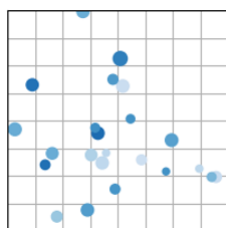
See the [gallery](#) for more examples and the [tutorials page](#) for longer examples.

Pairwise data

Plots of pairwise (x, y) , tabular (var_0, \dots, var_n) , and functional $f(x) = y$ data.

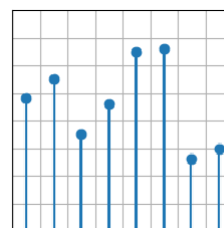


plot(x, y)

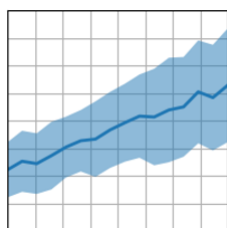


scatter(x, y)

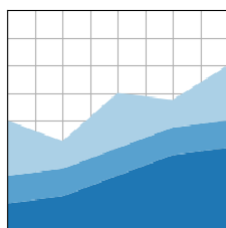
See
~matplotlib.axes.Axes



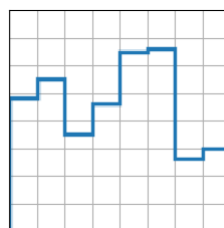
stem(x, y)



fill_between(x, y1,
y2)



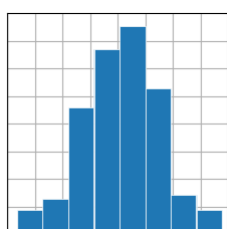
stackplot(x, y)



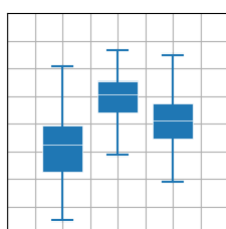
stairs(values)

Statistical distributions

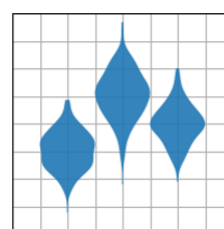
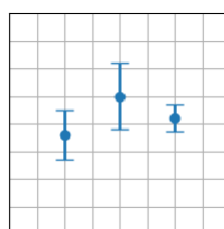
Plots of the distribution of at least one variable in a dataset. Some of these methods also compute the distributions.



hist(x)

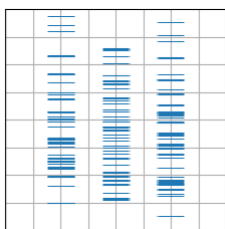


boxplot(X)

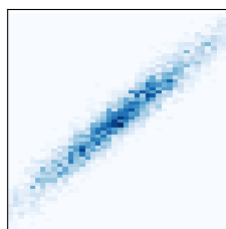


violinplot(D)

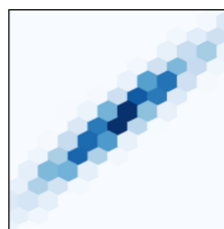
`errorbar(x, y, yerr,
xerr)`



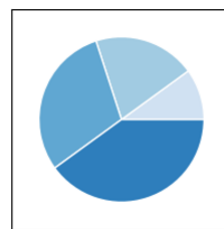
`eventplot(D)`



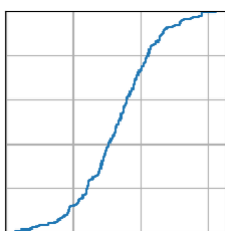
`hist2d(x, y)`



`hexbin(x, y, C)`



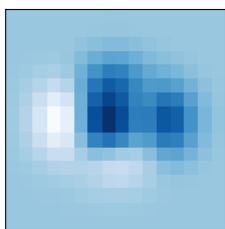
`pie(x)`



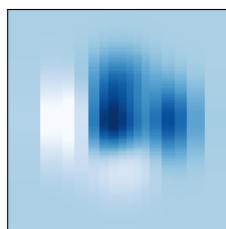
`ecdf(x)`

Gridded data

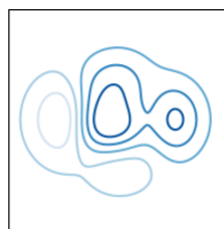
Plots of arrays and images $Z_{i,j}$ and fields $U_{i,j}$, $V_{i,j}$ on regular grids and corresponding coordinate grids $X_{i,j}$, $Y_{i,j}$.



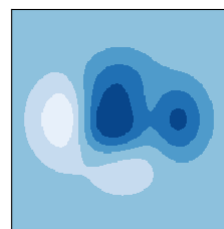
`imshow(Z)`



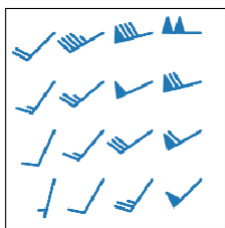
`pcolormesh(X, Y, Z)`



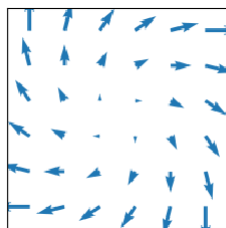
`contour(X, Y, Z)`



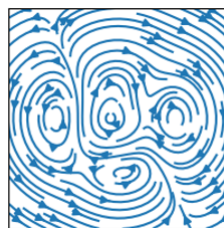
`contourf(X, Y, Z)`



`barbs(X, Y, U, V)`



`quiver(X, Y, U, V)`



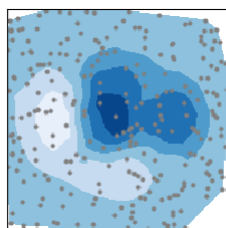
`streamplot(X, Y, U,
V)`

Irregularly gridded data

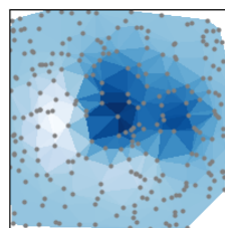
Plots of data $Z_{x,y}$ on [unstructured grids](#), unstructured coordinate grids (x, y) , and 2D functions $f(x, y) = z$.



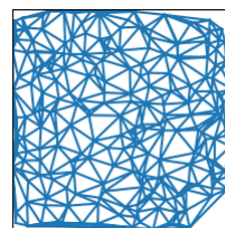
`tricontour(x, y, z)`



`tricontourf(x, y, z)`



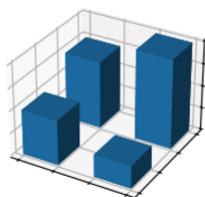
`tripcolor(x, y, z)`



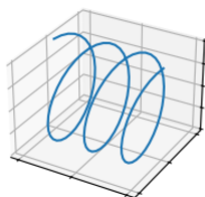
`triplot(x, y)`

3D and volumetric data

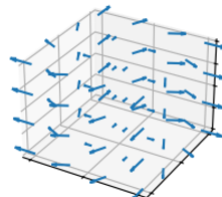
Plots of three-dimensional (x, y, z) , surface $f(x, y) = z$, and volumetric $V_{x,y,z}$ data using the [mpl_toolkits.mplot3d](#) library.



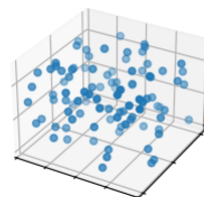
`bar3d(x, y, z, dx, dy, dz)`



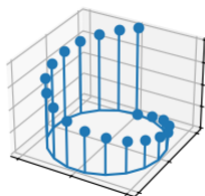
`plot(xs, ys, zs)`



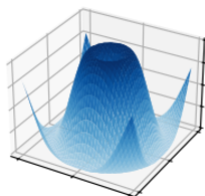
`quiver(X, Y, Z, U, V, W)`



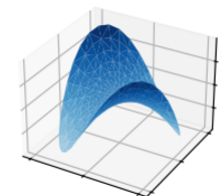
`scatter(xs, ys, zs)`



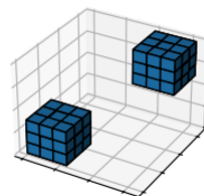
`stem(x, y, z)`



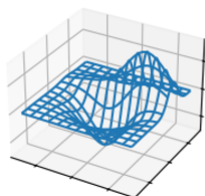
`plot_surface(X, Y, Z)`



`plot_trisurf(x, y, z)`



`voxels([x, y, z], filled)`



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plot_wireframe(X,  
Y, Z)
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 [Download all examples in Python source code: plot_types_python.zip](#)

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