

Data Collection & Presentation

1. Data Collection Methods

There are three main ways to collect data:

- a. Survey:** Asking people (e.g., online forms, interviews)
- b. Observation:** Watching and recording behavior (e.g., traffic patterns)
- c. Experiment:** Performing controlled tests (e.g., drug trials)

Example: You survey 10 students to ask their age and favorite subject.

2. Population vs Sample

Term	Meaning
Population	Entire group you want to study
Sample	Subset of population used for analysis

Example: If your college has 1000 students (population), and you survey 100 students (sample), you're using a sample to represent the population.

3. Sampling Techniques

Method	Description
Random Sampling	Every item has an equal chance
Stratified	Dividing into sub-groups (e.g., by gender)
Systematic	Every 5th or 10th item
Cluster	Dividing into groups and choosing whole group(s)

4. Frequency Distribution

A frequency distribution shows how many times each value occurs.

Age	Frequency
18	2
19	3
20	1

5. Data Visualization Techniques

These are used to present data clearly.

Chart Type	Use For
Bar Chart	Comparing categories
Pie Chart	Showing parts of a whole
Histogram	Frequency of numerical data
Line Graph	Trends over time
Box Plot	Summary of distribution (median, IQR)

Python Example: Data Collection & Visualization

Let's create a simple dataset and present it using pandas and matplotlib.

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In [1]: import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Step 1: Create a simple dataset (simulated survey data)
data = {
    'Name': ['Ali', 'Sara', 'John', 'Zara', 'Ahmed', 'Fatima', 'Leo', 'Ayesha'],
    'Age': [19, 20, 19, 18, 20, 18, 21, 19],
    'Favorite_Subject': ['Math', 'Biology', 'Math', 'Physics', 'Math', 'Biology', 'Math', 'Biology']
}

df = pd.DataFrame(data)

# Step 2: Frequency distribution of Ages
age_counts = df['Age'].value_counts().sort_index()
print("Age Frequency Distribution:")
print(age_counts)

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# Step 3: Bar chart for Age distribution
age_counts.plot(kind='bar', color='skyblue')
plt.title('Age Distribution')
plt.xlabel('Age')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()

# Step 4: Pie chart for Favorite Subjects
subject_counts = df['Favorite_Subject'].value_counts()
subject_counts.plot(kind='pie', autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=140, figsize=(6, 6))
plt.title('Favorite Subjects')
plt.ylabel('')
plt.show()

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Age Frequency Distribution:

Age

18 2

19 3

20 2

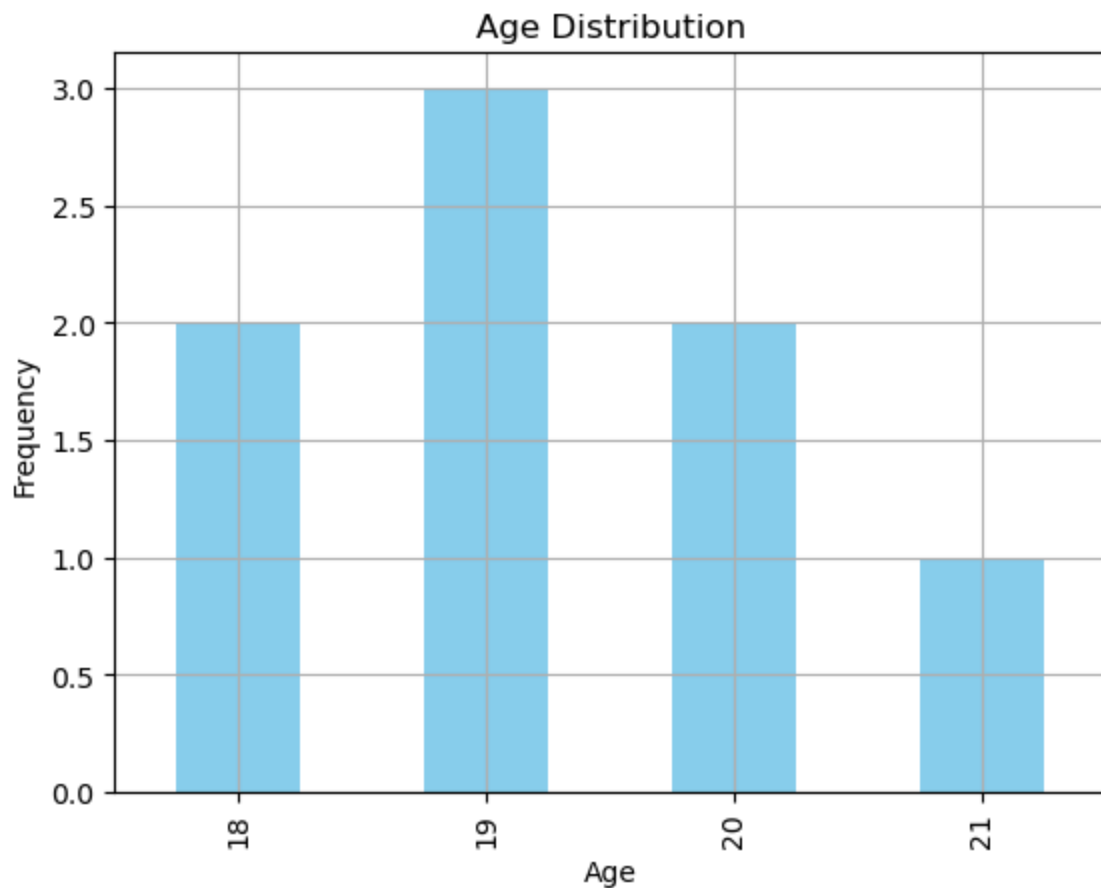
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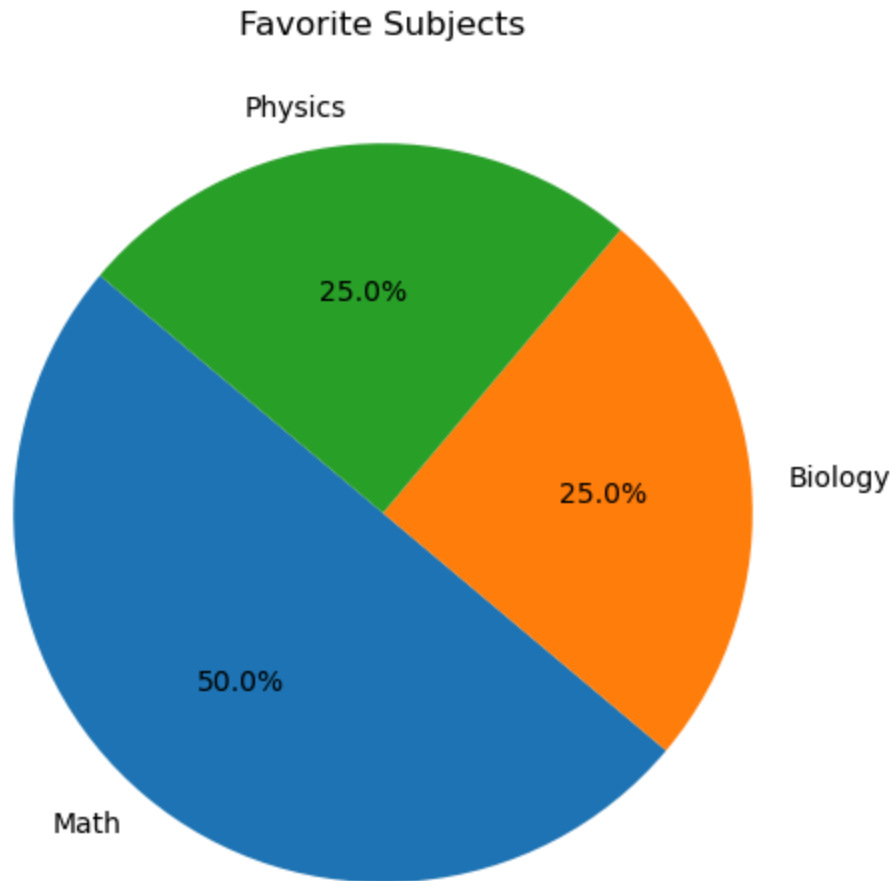
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✓ **Output Explained:**

Bar Chart: Shows how many students belong to each age.

Pie Chart: Shows percentage of students preferring each subject.

✓ **Practice Task for You:**

Try changing the dataset to include:

Gender

City

Test Scores

Then visualize:

Gender with a pie chart

Test scores with a histogram

