### Introduction to Data Visualization with Matplotlib

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## **Chapter 1: Introduction to Matplotlib**

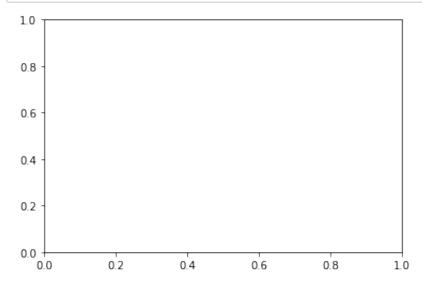
```
In [1]: # Import libraries required
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # Import the matplotlib.pyplot subm
   odule and name it plt
   import pandas as pd
   import requests
   import calendar
   import itertools
   from sorted_months_weekdays import *
   from sort_dataframeby_monthorweek import *
```

## Using the matplotlib.pyplot interface

The pyplot interface is used to create two kinds of objects: Figure objects and Axes objects.

```
In [2]: # Create a Figure and an Axes with plt.subplots
fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Call the show function to show the result
plt.show()
```



In [3]: #Read csv from online into a pandas dataframe
 url='https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/3634/datas
 ets/6fd451508ecce0d63354fad86704236592eed8ca/seattle\_weather.csv'
 seattle\_weather=pd.read\_csv(url)

#Convert the DATE column from number to month names
 seattle\_weather['DATE'] = seattle\_weather['DATE'].apply(lambda x: c
 alendar.month\_abbr[x])

#Rename the DATE column to MONTH
 seattle\_weather.rename(columns = {'DATE':'MONTH'}, inplace = True)
 seattle\_weather

### Out[3]:

	STATION	NAME	MONTH	MLY- CLDD- BASE45	MLY- CLDD- BASE50	MLY- CLDD- BASE55	MLY- CLDD- BASE57	MLY- CLDD- BASE60	MI CLD BASE
0	USC00456295	PALMER 3 ESE, WA US	Jan	13.0	1.0	-7777.0	0.0	0.0	(
1	USC00456295	PALMER 3 ESE, WA US	Feb	23.0	3.0	-7777.0	-7777.0	0.0	(
2	USC00456295	PALMER 3 ESE, WA US	Mar	50.0	11.0	1.0	-7777.0	-7777.0	(
3	USC00456295	PALMER 3 ESE, WA US	Apr	108.0	40.0	12.0	7.0	3.0	-7777
4	USC00456295	PALMER 3 ESE, WA US	May	255.0	130.0	56.0	38.0	19.0	-
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199	USC00454169	KENT, WA US	Aug	673.0	518.0	363.0	301.0	209.0	17
200	USC00454169	KENT, WA US	Sep	493.0	344.0	200.0	149.0	85.0	;
201	USC00454169	KENT, WA US	Oct	248.0	118.0	34.0	17.0	5.0	-7777
202	USC00454169	KENT, WA US	Nov	78.0	19.0	2.0	1.0	-7777.0	(
203	USC00454169	KENT, WA US	Dec	22.0	2.0	-7777.0	-7777.0	0.0	(

204 rows × 80 columns

# **Data Cleaning**

The seattle data file was not cleaned. I needed to sort out the Month column in order to get the same results as the datacamp course. I grouped the file by MONTH as can be seen I then reset the index in order to match the format of the file. Through researching I found a method that allowed me to arrange the MONTHS Jan-Dec.

```
In [4]: grouped_df = seattle_weather.groupby("MONTH")
    maximums = grouped_df.mean() #Get mean values in each group

maximums = maximums.reset_index() #Reset indices to match format
    maximums
```

#### Out[4]:

	MONTH	MLY- CLDD- BASE45	MLY-CLDD- BASE50	0222 0222		MLY-CLDD- BASE60	MLY-CLI BAS
0	Apr	155.466667	58.000000	14.933333	7.866667	2.400000	-1555.400
1	Aug	623.266667	468.266667	314.133333	253.600000	167.466667	11.066
2	Dec	14.600000	-1554.000000	-5703.133333	-3110.800000	0.000000	0.000
3	Feb	27.866667	3.466667	-7258.466667	-6740.066667	-1036.933333	0.000
4	Jan	24.466667	-515.133333	-6221.466667	-3629.266667	-518.466667	0.000
5	Jul	611.266667	456.333333	302.800000	242.933333	159.133333	13.733
6	Jun	452.866667	304.266667	165.800000	118.466667	63.333333	3.266
7	Mar	74.800000	17.333333	-516.400000	-3110.200000	-7777.000000	0.000
8	May	318.133333	176.333333	72.666667	46.200000	21.133333	-4147.266
9	Nov	62.600000	14.266667	-1035.533333	-4147.266667	-6221.600000	0.000
10	Oct	218.733333	96.933333	26.200000	13.000000	3.600000	-4147.733
11	Sep	451.000000	302.666667	165.466667	118.933333	63.400000	-1035.333

12 rows × 78 columns

```
In [20]: # This is handy to sort out the Months from Jan-Dec
    df = Sort_Dataframeby_MonthandNumeric_cols(df = maximums , monthcol
    umn='MONTH', numericcolumn='MLY-PRCP-NORMAL')
    df
```

#### Out[20]:

	MONTH	MLY- PRCP- NORMAL	MLY- CLDD- BASE45	MLY-CLDD- BASE50	MLY-CLDD- BASE55	MLY-CLDD- BASE57	MLY-CLDD- BASE60
0	Jan	7.442353	24.466667	-515.133333	-6221.466667	-3629.266667	-518.466667
1	Feb	4.958235	27.866667	3.466667	-7258.466667	-6740.066667	-1036.933333
2	Mar	5.389412	74.800000	17.333333	-516.400000	-3110.200000	-7777.000000
3	Apr	4.174706	155.466667	58.000000	14.933333	7.866667	2.400000
4	May	3.370000	318.133333	176.333333	72.666667	46.200000	21.133333
5	Jun	2.630000	452.866667	304.266667	165.800000	118.466667	63.333333
6	Jul	1.265882	611.266667	456.333333	302.800000	242.933333	159.133333
7	Aug	1.343529	623.266667	468.266667	314.133333	253.600000	167.466667
8	Sep	2.324118	451.000000	302.666667	165.466667	118.933333	63.400000
9	Oct	4.915882	218.733333	96.933333	26.200000	13.000000	3.600000
10	Nov	8.477647	62.600000	14.266667	-1035.533333	-4147.266667	-6221.600000
11	Dec	7.131765	14.600000	-1554.000000	-5703.133333	-3110.800000	0.000000

12 rows × 78 columns

```
In [6]: url2='https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/3634/data
    sets/e76b460b41dc7ff286d78246daf3a8c324cb5587/austin_weather.csv'
    austin_weather=pd.read_csv(url2)

#Convert the DATE column from number to month names
    austin_weather['DATE'] = austin_weather['DATE'].apply(lambda x: cal
    endar.month_abbr[x])

#Rename the DATE column to MONTH
    austin_weather.rename(columns = {'DATE':'MONTH'}, inplace = True)

austin_weather
```

	STATION	NAME	MONTH	MLY- CLDD- BASE45	MLY- CLDD- BASE50	MLY- CLDD- BASE55	MLY- CLDD- BASE57	MLY- CLDD- BASE60
0	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Jan	190	103	50	35	18
1	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Feb	228	132	68	49	29
2	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Mar	446	306	185	146	98
3	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Apr	668	519	373	318	240
4	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	May	936	781	626	564	471
5	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Jun	1081	931	781	721	631
6	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Jul	1192	1037	882	820	727
7	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Aug	1199	1044	889	827	735
8	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Sep	985	835	685	625	536
9	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Oct	745	591	438	379	295
10	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Nov	412	281	172	136	91
11	USW00013904	AUSTIN BERGSTROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TX US	Dec	208	119	63	47	29

## Adding data to an Axes object

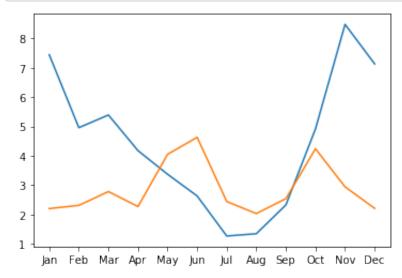
Adding data to a figure is done by calling methods of the Axes object.

```
In [21]: # Create a Figure and an Axes with plt.subplots
fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Plot MLY-PRCP-NORMAL from seattle_weather against the MONTH
ax.plot(df['MONTH'], df['MLY-PRCP-NORMAL'])

# Plot MLY-PRCP-NORMAL from austin_weather against MONTH
ax.plot(austin_weather['MONTH'], austin_weather['MLY-PRCP-NORMAL'])

# Call the show function
plt.show()
```



## **Customizing data appearance**

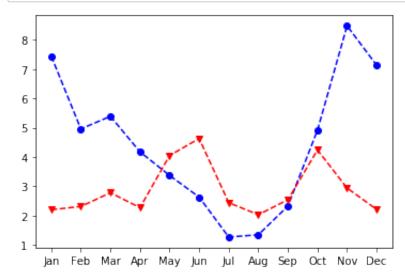
We can customize the appearance of data in our plots, while adding the data to the plot, using key-word arguments to the plot command.

```
In [9]: # Create a Figure and an Axes with plt.subplots
fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Plot Seattle data, setting data appearance
ax.plot(df["MONTH"], df["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"], color = 'b', marker = '
o', linestyle = '--')

# Plot Austin data, setting data appearance
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],
color = 'r', marker = 'v', linestyle = '--')

# Call show to display the resulting plot
plt.show()
```



# Customizing axis labels and adding titles

Customizing the axis labels requires using the set\_xlabel and set\_ylabel methods of the Axes object. Adding a title uses the set\_title method.

```
In [16]: # Create a Figure and an Axes with plt.subplots
fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Plot MLY-PRCP-NORMAL from seattle_weather against the MONTH
ax.plot(df['MONTH'], df['MLY-PRCP-NORMAL'])

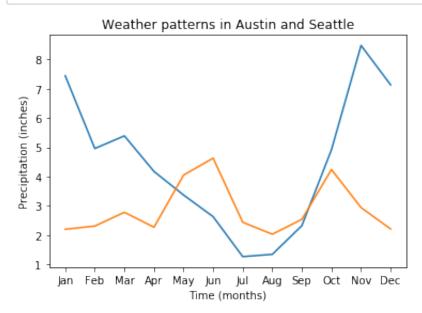
# Plot MLY-PRCP-NORMAL from austin_weather against MONTH
ax.plot(austin_weather['MONTH'], austin_weather['MLY-PRCP-NORMAL'])

# Customize the x-axis label
ax.set_xlabel("Time (months)")

# Customize the y-axis label
ax.set_ylabel("Precipitation (inches)")

# Add the title
ax.set_title("Weather patterns in Austin and Seattle")

# Display the figure
plt.show()
```



# Creating small multiples with plt.subplots

Small multiples are used to plot several datasets side-by-side. In Matplotlib, small multiples can be created using the plt.subplots() function. The first argument is the number of rows in the array of Axes objects generate and the second argument is the number of columns.

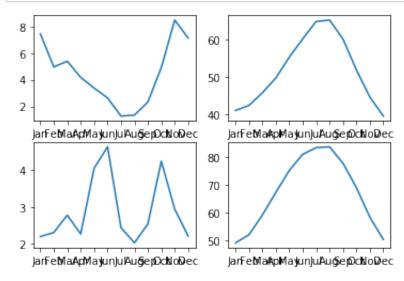
```
In [17]: # Create a Figure and an array of subplots with 2 rows and 2 column
s
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 2)

# Addressing the top left Axes as index 0, 0, plot month and Seattl
e precipitation
ax[0, 0].plot(df["MONTH"], df["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"])

# In the top right (index 0,1), plot month and Seattle temperatures
ax[0, 1].plot(df["MONTH"], df["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])

# In the bottom left (1, 0) plot month and Austin precipitations
ax[1, 0].plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-PRCP-NOR
MAL"])

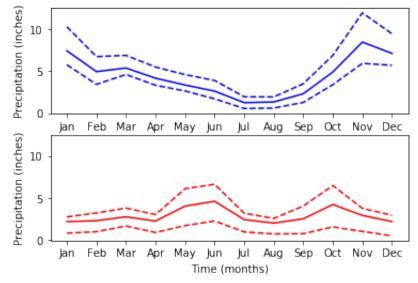
# In the bottom right (1, 1) plot month and Austin temperatures
ax[1, 1].plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NOR
MAL"])
plt.show()
```



## Small multiples with shared y axis

When creating small multiples, it is often preferable to make sure that the different plots are displayed with the same scale used on the y-axis. This can be configured by setting the sharey key-word to True.

```
# Create a figure and an array of axes: 2 rows, 1 column with share
In [19]:
         d y axis
         fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 1, sharey=True)
         # Plot Seattle precipitation data in the top axes
         ax[0].plot(df['MONTH'], df['MLY-PRCP-NORMAL'], color = 'b')
         ax[0].plot(df['MONTH'], df["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"], color = 'b', linesty
         ax[0].plot(df['MONTH'], df["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL" ], color = 'b', linest
         yle = '--')
         # Plot Austin precipitation data in the bottom axes
         ax[1].plot(austin_weather['MONTH'], austin_weather['MLY-PRCP-NORMAL
         '], color = 'r')
         ax[1].plot(austin weather['MONTH'], austin weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL
         "], color = 'r', linestyle = '--')
         ax[1].plot(austin weather['MONTH'], austin weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL
         "], color = 'r', linestyle = '--')
         ax[0].set_ylabel("Precipitation (inches)")
         ax[1].set ylabel("Precipitation (inches)")
         ax[1].set xlabel("Time (months)")
         plt.show()
```



**Chapter 2: Plotting time-series** 

```
In [25]: # Read the data from file using read_csv
url3='https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/3634/data
sets/411add3f8570d5adf891127fd64095020210711b/climate_change.csv'
climate_change=pd.read_csv(url3,parse_dates=['date'], index_col = '
date')
climate_change.head()
```

### Out[25]:

	002	rolativo_tomp
date		
1958-03-06	315.71	0.10
1958-04-06	317.45	0.01
1958-05-06	317.50	0.08
1958-06-06	NaN	-0.05
1958-07-06	315.86	0.06
2016-08-06	402.27	0.98
2016-09-06	401.05	0.87
2016-10-06	401.59	0.89
2016-11-06	403.55	0.93
2016-12-06	404.45	0.81

co2 relative temp

706 rows × 2 columns

### Plot time-series data

To plot time-series data, we use the Axes object plot command. The first argument to this method are the values for the x-axis and the second argument are the values for the y-axis.

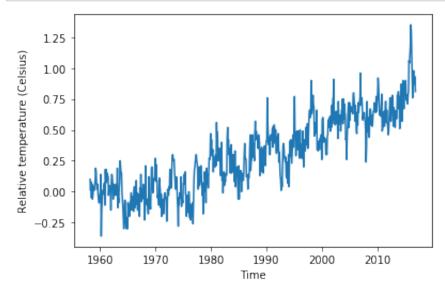
```
In [27]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Add the time-series for "relative_temp" to the plot
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["relative_temp"])

# Set the x-axis label
ax.set_xlabel('Time')

# Set the y-axis label
ax.set_ylabel('Relative temperature (Celsius)')

# Show the figure
plt.show()
```



## Using a time index to zoom in

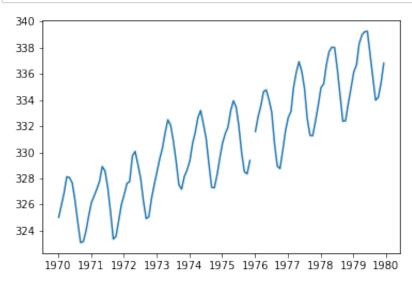
When a time-series is represented with a time index, we can use this index for the x-axis when plotting. We can also select a to zoom in on a particular period within the time-series using Pandas' indexing facilities.

```
In [28]: # Use plt.subplots to create fig and ax
fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Create variable seventies with data from "1970-01-01" to "1979-12
-31"
seventies = climate_change["1970-01-01":"1979-12-31"]

# Add the time-series for "co2" data from seventies to the plot
ax.plot(seventies.index, seventies["co2"])

# Show the figure
plt.show()
```



# Plotting two variables

If you want to plot two time-series variables that were recorded at the same times, you can add both of them to the same subplot.

If the variables have very different scales, you'll want to make sure that you plot them in different twin Axes objects. These objects can share one axis (for example, the time, or x-axis) while not sharing the other (the y-axis).

To create a twin Axes object that shares the x-axis, we use the twinx method.

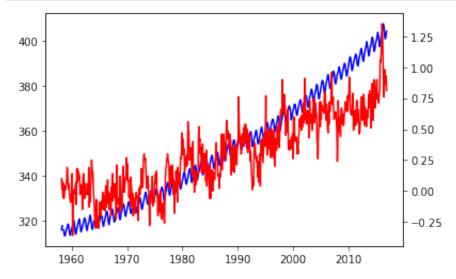
```
In [29]: # Initalize a Figure and Axes
fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Plot the CO2 variable in blue
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change['co2'], color='b')

# Create a twin Axes that shares the x-axis
ax2 = ax.twinx()

# Plot the relative temperature in red
ax2.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change['relative_temp'], color='r')

plt.show()
```



# Defining a function that plots time-series data

Once you realize that a particular section of code that you have written is useful, it is a good idea to define a function that saves that section of code for you, rather than copying it to other parts of your program where you would like to use this code.

Here, we will define a function that takes inputs such as a time variable and some other variable and plots them as x and y inputs. Then, it sets the labels on the x- and y-axis and sets the colors of the y-axis label, the y-axis ticks and the tick labels.

```
In [31]: # Define a function called plot_timeseries
def plot_timeseries(axes, x, y, color, xlabel, ylabel):

# Plot the inputs x,y in the provided color
axes.plot(x, y, color=color)

# Set the x-axis label
axes.set_xlabel(xlabel)

# Set the y-axis label
axes.set_ylabel(ylabel, color=color)

# Set the colors tick params for y-axis
axes.tick_params('y', colors=color)
```

# Using a plotting function

Defining functions allows us to reuse the same code without having to repeat all of it. Programmers sometimes say "Don't repeat yourself".

In the previous exercise, you defined a function called plot\_timeseries:

plot\_timeseries(axes, x, y, color, xlabel, ylabel)

that takes an Axes object (as the argument axes), time-series data (as x and y arguments) the name of a color (as a string, provided as the color argument) and x-axis and y-axis labels (as xlabel and ylabel arguments).

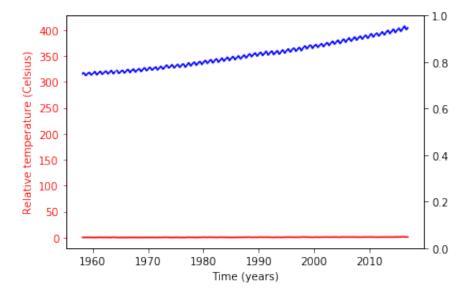
```
In [32]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Plot the CO2 levels time-series in blue
plot_timeseries(ax, climate_change.index, climate_change['co2'], "b
lue", 'Time (years)', 'CO2 levels')

# Create a twin Axes object that shares the x-axis
ax2 = ax.twinx()

# Plot the relative temperature data in red
plot_timeseries(ax, climate_change.index, climate_change['relative_temp'], "red", 'Time (years)', 'Relative temperature (Celsius)')

plt.show()
```



## Annotating a plot of time-series data

Annotating a plot allows us to highlight interesting information in the plot. For example, in describing the climate change dataset, we might want to point to the date at which the relative temperature first exceeded 1 degree Celsius.

More information on annotations can be found:

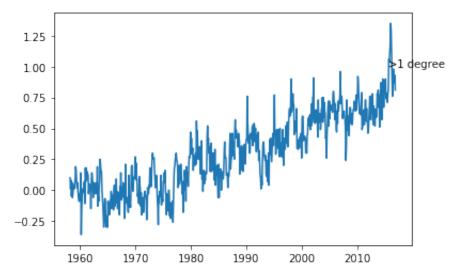
https://matplotlib.org/tutorials/text/annotations.html (https://matplotlib.org/tutorials/text/annotations.html)

```
In [33]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Plot the relative temperature data
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change['relative_temp'])

# Annotate the date at which temperatures exceeded 1 degree
ax.annotate('>1 degree', xy = (pd.Timestamp('2015-10-06'), 1))

plt.show()
```



# Plotting time-series: putting it all together

```
In [34]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

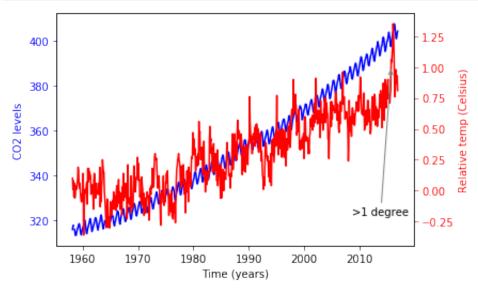
# Plot the CO2 levels time-series in blue
plot_timeseries(ax, climate_change.index, climate_change["co2"], 'b
lue', "Time (years)", "CO2 levels")

# Create an Axes object that shares the x-axis
ax2 = ax.twinx()

# Plot the relative temperature data in red
plot_timeseries(ax2, climate_change.index, climate_change['relative_temp'], 'red', "Time (years)", "Relative temp (Celsius)")

# Annotate the point with relative temperature >1 degree
ax2.annotate(">1 degree", xy=(pd.Timestamp('2015-10-06'), 1), xytex
t=(pd.Timestamp('2008-10-06'), -0.2), arrowprops={'arrowstyle':'->'
, 'color':'gray'})

plt.show()
```



Chapter 3: Quantitative comparisons and statistical visualizations

```
In [36]: url4 = 'https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/3634/da
    tasets/ec663f9f509bf633d40932f65bd4cc51205689e2/medals_by_country_2
    016.csv'
    medals=pd.read_csv(url4, index_col=0)
medals
```

### Out[36]:

	Bronze	Gold	Silver
United States	67	137	52
Germany	67	47	43
Great Britain	26	64	55
Russia	35	50	28
China	35	44	30
France	21	20	55
Australia	25	23	34
Italy	24	8	38
Canada	61	4	4
Japan	34	17	13

### **Bar chart**

Bar charts visualize data that is organized according to categories as a series of bars, where the height of each bar represents the values of the data in this category.

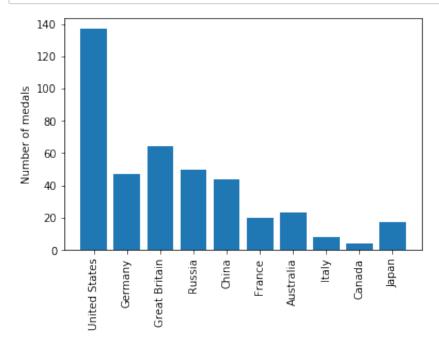
```
In [38]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Plot a bar-chart of gold medals as a function of country
ax.bar(medals.index, medals['Gold'])

# Set the x-axis tick labels to the country names
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation = 90)

# Set the y-axis label
ax.set_ylabel('Number of medals')

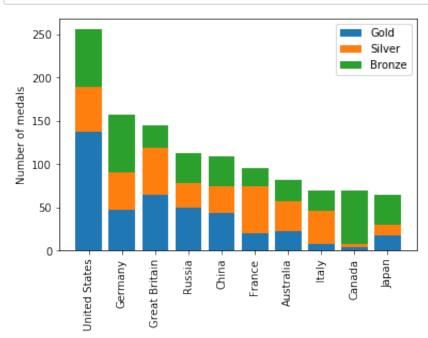
plt.show()
```



### Stacked bar chart

A stacked bar chart contains bars, where the height of each bar represents values. In addition, stacked on top of the first variable may be another variable. The additional height of this bar represents the value of this variable. And you can add more bars on top of that.

```
In [42]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
         # Add bars for "Gold" with the label "Gold"
         ax.bar(medals.index, medals['Gold'], label='Gold')
         # Stack bars for "Silver" on top with label "Silver"
         ax.bar(medals.index, medals['Silver'], bottom=medals['Gold'], label
         = 'Silver')
         # Stack bars for "Bronze" on top of that with label "Bronze"
         ax.bar(medals.index, medals['Bronze'], bottom=medals['Gold'] + meda
         ls['Silver'], label ='Bronze')
         # Set the x-axis tick labels to the country names
         ax.set xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)
         # Set the y-axis label
         ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")
         # Display the legend
         ax.legend()
         plt.show()
```



In [99]: url5 = https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/3634/dat asets/67d7344085ace400d612275b87738615698127a3/summer2016.csv' summer\_2016\_medals =pd.read\_csv(url5)

summer\_2016\_medals.head()

### Out[99]:

	Unnamed: 0	ID	Name	Sex	Age	Height	Weight	Team	NOC	Games	Yea
0	158	62	Giovanni Abagnale	М	21.0	198.0	90.0	Italy	ITA	2016 Summer	2010
1	161	65	Patimat Abakarova	F	21.0	165.0	49.0	Azerbaijan	AZE	2016 Summer	2010
2	175	73	Luc Abalo	М	31.0	182.0	86.0	France	FRA	2016 Summer	2010
3	450	250	Saeid Morad Abdevali	М	26.0	170.0	80.0	Iran	IRI	2016 Summer	2010
4	794	455	Denis Mikhaylovich Ablyazin	М	24.0	161.0	62.0	Russia	RUS	2016 Summer	2010

```
In [100]: mens_rowing = summer_2016_medals[(summer_2016_medals["Sex"] == 'M')
& (summer_2016_medals["Sport"] == 'Rowing')]
mens_rowing.head()
```

### Out[100]:

	Unnamed: 0	ID	Name	Sex	Age	Height	Weight	Team	NOC	Games	Yea
0	158	62	Giovanni Abagnale	М	21.0	198.0	90.0	Italy	ITA	2016 Summer	201
78	11648	6346	Jrmie Azou	М	27.0	178.0	71.0	France	FRA	2016 Summer	201
93	14871	8025	Thomas Gabriel Jrmie Baroukh	М	28.0	183.0	70.0	France	FRA	2016 Summer	201
97	15215	8214	Jacob Jepsen Barse	М	27.0	188.0	73.0	Denmark	DEN	2016 Summer	201
119	18441	9764	Alexander Belonogoff	М	26.0	187.0	90.0	Australia	AUS	2016 Summer	201

Out[101]:

	Unnamed: 0	ID	Name	Sex	Age	Height	Weight	Team	NOC	Games	Yea
4	794	455	Denis Mikhaylovich Ablyazin	М	24.0	161.0	62.0	Russia	RUS	2016 Summer	2010
5	796	455	Denis Mikhaylovich Ablyazin	М	24.0	161.0	62.0	Russia	RUS	2016 Summer	2010
6	797	455	Denis Mikhaylovich Ablyazin	М	24.0	161.0	62.0	Russia	RUS	2016 Summer	2010
122	18577	9829	David Sagitovich Belyavsky	М	24.0	165.0	55.0	Russia	RUS	2016 Summer	2010
123	18579	9829	David Sagitovich Belyavsky	М	24.0	165.0	55.0	Russia	RUS	2016 Summer	2010

# **Creating histograms**

Histograms show the full distribution of a variable.

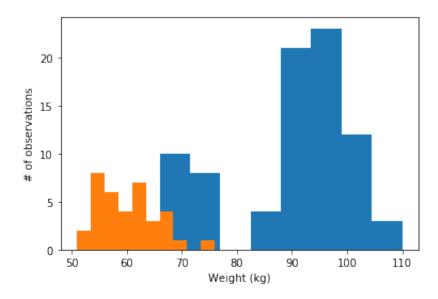
```
In [84]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
# Plot a histogram of "Weight" for mens_rowing
ax.hist(mens_rowing['Weight'])

# Compare to histogram of "Weight" for mens_gymnastics
ax.hist(mens_gymnastics['Weight'])

# Set the x-axis label to "Weight (kg)"
ax.set_xlabel("Weight (kg)")

# Set the y-axis label to "# of observations"
ax.set_ylabel("# of observations")
```

Out[84]: Text(0, 0.5, '# of observations')



## "Step" histogram

Histograms allow us to see the distributions of the data in different groups in our data.

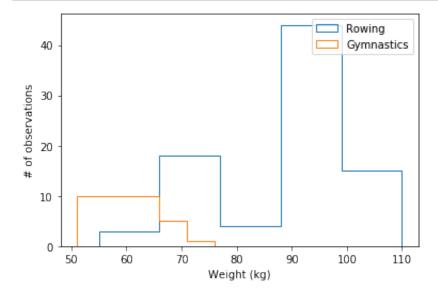
```
In [85]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Plot a histogram of "Weight" for mens_rowing
ax.hist(mens_rowing["Weight"], label="Rowing", histtype="step", bins = 5)

# Compare to histogram of "Weight" for mens_gymnastics
ax.hist(mens_gymnastics['Weight'], label="Gymnastics", histtype="step", bins=5)

ax.set_xlabel("Weight (kg)")
ax.set_ylabel("# of observations")

# Add the legend and show the Figure
ax.legend()
plt.show()
```



## Adding error-bars to a bar chart

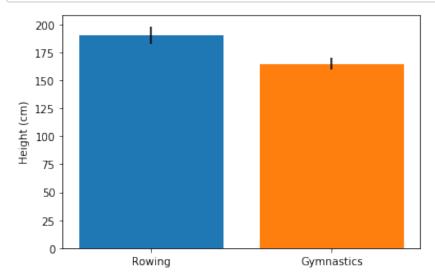
Statistical plotting techniques add quantitative information for comparisons into the visualization. Error bars quantify not only the difference in the means of the height of medalists in the 2016 Olympic Games, but also the standard deviation of each of these groups, as a way to assess whether the difference is substantial relative to the variability within each group.

```
In [86]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Add a bar for the rowing "Height" column mean/std
ax.bar("Rowing", mens_rowing['Height'].mean(), yerr=mens_rowing['Height'].std())

# Add a bar for the gymnastics "Height" column mean/std
ax.bar('Gymnastics', mens_gymnastics['Height'].mean(), yerr=mens_gymnastics['Height'].std())

# Label the y-axis
ax.set_ylabel("Height (cm)")
plt.show()
```



# Adding error-bars to a plot

Adding error-bars to a plot is done by using the errorbars method of the Axes object.

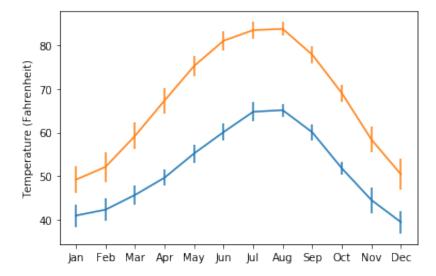
```
In [87]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Add Seattle temperature data in each month with error bars
ax.errorbar(df["MONTH"], df["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"], yerr=df["MLY-TAVG-S
TDDEV"])

# Add Austin temperature data in each month with error bars
ax.errorbar(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMA
L"], yerr=austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-STDDEV"])

# Set the y-axis label
ax.set_ylabel("Temperature (Fahrenheit)")

plt.show()
```



# **Creating boxplots**

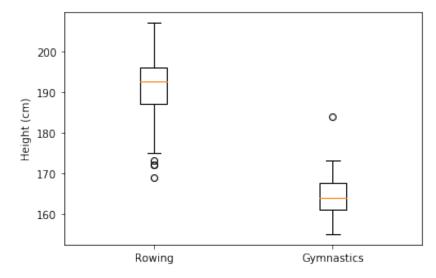
Boxplots provide additional information about the distribution of the data that they represent. They tell us what the median of the distribution is, what the inter-quartile range is and also what the expected range of approximately 99% of the data should be. Outliers beyond this range are particularly highlighted.

```
In [88]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Add a boxplot for the "Height" column in the DataFrames
ax.boxplot([mens_rowing['Height'], mens_gymnastics['Height']]))

# Add x-axis tick labels:
ax.set_xticklabels(["Rowing", "Gymnastics"])

# Add a y-axis label
ax.set_ylabel("Height (cm)")
plt.show()
```



# Simple scatter plot

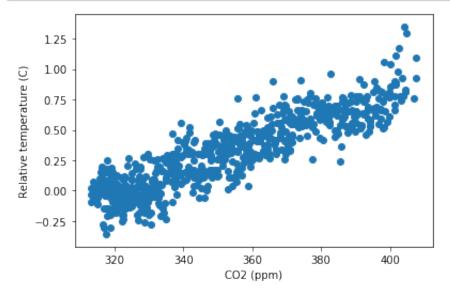
Scatter are a bi-variate visualization technique. They plot each record in the data as a point. The location of each point is determined by the value of two variables: the first variable determines the distance along the x-axis and the second variable determines the height along the y-axis.

```
In [89]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Add data: "co2" on x-axis, "relative_temp" on y-axis
ax.scatter(climate_change['co2'], climate_change['relative_temp'])

# Set the x-axis label to "CO2 (ppm)"
ax.set_xlabel('CO2 (ppm)')

# Set the y-axis label to "Relative temperature (C)"
ax.set_ylabel('Relative temperature (C)')
```



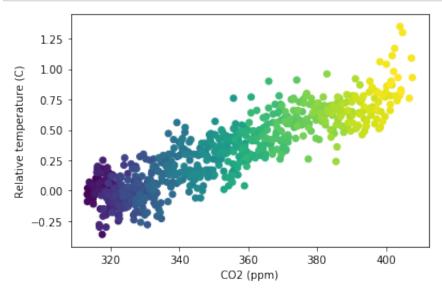
# **Encoding time by color**

```
In [90]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Add data: "co2", "relative_temp" as x-y, index as color
ax.scatter(climate_change['co2'], climate_change['relative_temp'],
c=climate_change.index)

# Set the x-axis label to "CO2 (ppm)"
ax.set_xlabel('CO2 (ppm)')

# Set the y-axis label to "Relative temperature (C)"
ax.set_ylabel("Relative temperature (C)")
```



**Chapter 4: Sharing visualizations with others** 

There are different styles to choose from examples include:

- plt.style.use('seaborn-colorblind')
- plt.style.use('grayscale')
- plt.style.use('tableau-colorblind10')
- plt.style.use('bmh')
- plt.style.use('ggplot')

#### Back to default

• plt.style.use("default")

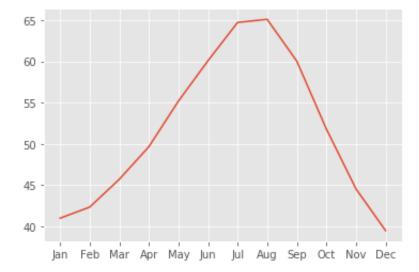
### More styles available at:

https://matplotlib.org/gallery/style\_sheets/style\_sheets\_reference.html (https://matplotlib.org/gallery/style\_sheets/style\_sheets\_reference.html)

### **Guidelines for choosing plotting style**

- Dark backgrounds are usually less visible
- If color is important, consider choosing colorblind-friendly
  - options"seaborn-colorblind" or "tableau-colorblind10"
- If you think that someone will want to print your gure, use less ink
- If it will be printed in black-and-white, use the "grayscale" style

```
In [93]: # Use the "ggplot" style and create new Figure/Axes
    plt.style.use('ggplot')
    fig, ax = plt.subplots()
    ax.plot(df["MONTH"], df["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
    plt.show()
```



```
In [94]: # Use the "Solarize_Light2" style and create new Figure/Axes
    plt.style.use('Solarize_Light2')
    fig, ax = plt.subplots()
    ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
    plt.show()
```



### Different file formats

### Save as a jpg file

- fig.savefig("gold\_medals.jpg")
- fig.savefig("gold\_medals.jpg", quality=50)

### Save as a Svg file - good for editing

- fig.savefig("gold\_medals.svg") Save as a PNG file
- fig.savefig('my\_figure.png')

### Save as a PNG file with 300 dpi

• fig.savefig('my\_figure\_300dpi.png', dpi = 300)

### Set figure dimensions and save as a PNG

fig.savefig('figure\_3\_5.png') fig.set\_size\_inches([3, 5])

### Set figure dimensions and save as a PNG

fig.savefig('figure\_5\_3.png') fig.set\_size\_inches([5, 3])

## Unique values of a column

One of the main strengths of Matplotlib is that it can be automated to adapt to the data that it receives as input. For example, if you receive data that has an unknown number of categories, you can still create a bar plot that has bars for each category.

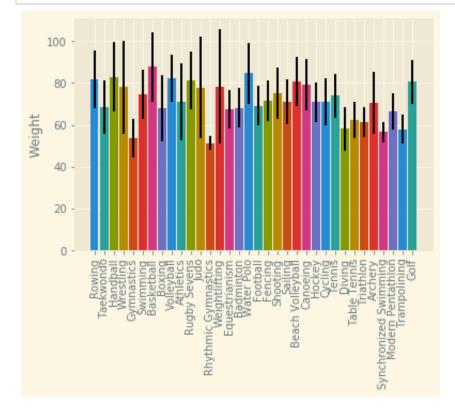
## **Automate your visualization**

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```
In [104]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()

# Loop over the different sports branches
for sport in sports:
    # Extract the rows only for this sport
    sport_df = summer_2016_medals[summer_2016_medals["Sport"] == spor
t]
    # Add a bar for the "Weight" mean with std y error bar
    ax.bar(sport, sport_df["Weight"].mean(), yerr=sport_df["Weight"].
std())

ax.set_ylabel("Weight")
ax.set_xticklabels(sports, rotation=90)
plt.show()
```



## Where to go Next

If you want to learn more the following links are useful:

The Matplotlib gallery
 https://matplotlib.org/gallery.html (https://matplotlib.org/gallery.html)

Plotting data in 3D
 <u>https://matplotlib.org/mpl\_toolkits/mplot3d/tutorial.html</u>
 (https://matplotlib.org/mpl\_toolkits/mplot3d/tutorial.html)

 Visualizing images with pseudo-color <a href="https://matplotlib.org/tutorials/introductory/images.html">https://matplotlib.org/tutorials/introductory/images.html</a>) (https://matplotlib.org/tutorials/introductory/images.html)

Animations
 <a href="https://matplotlib.org/api/animation\_api.html">https://matplotlib.org/api/animation\_api.html</a> (<a href="https://matplotlib.org/api.html">https://matplotlib.org/api.html</a> (<a href="https://matplotlib.org/api.html">https://matplotlib.org/api.html</a> (<a href="https://matplotlib.org/api.ht

 Using Matplotlib for geospatial data <a href="https://scitools.org.uk/cartopy/docs/latest/">https://scitools.org.uk/cartopy/docs/latest/</a> (<a href="https://scitools.org.uk/cartopy/">https://scitools.org.uk/cartopy/</a> (<a href="https://scitools.org.uk/cartopy/">htt

 Seaborn example gallery <a href="https://seaborn.pydata.org/examples/index.html">https://seaborn.pydata.org/examples/index.html</a> (https://seaborn.pydata.org/examples/index.html)