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## matplotlib.pyplot.plot

`matplotlib.pyplot.plot(*args, **kwargs)`

Plot  $y$  versus  $x$  as lines and/or markers.

Call signatures:

```
plot([x], y, [fmt], data=None, **kwargs)
plot([x], y, [fmt], [x2], y2, [fmt2], ..., **kwargs)
```

The coordinates of the points or line nodes are given by  $x$ ,  $y$ .

The optional parameter *fmt* is a convenient way for defining basic formatting like color, marker and linestyle. It's a shortcut string notation described in the *Notes* section below.

```
>>> plot(x, y)           # plot x and y using default line
>>> plot(x, y, 'bo')     # plot x and y using blue circle markers
>>> plot(y)              # plot y using x as index array 0..len(y)-1
>>> plot(y, 'r+')        # ditto, but with red plusses
```

You can use [Line2D](#) properties as keyword arguments for more control on the appearance. Line properties and *fmt* can be mixed. The following two calls yield identical results:

```
>>> plot(x, y, 'go--', linewidth=2, markersize=12)
>>> plot(x, y, color='green', marker='o', linestyle='dashed',
         linewidth=2, markersize=12)
```

When conflicting with *fmt*, keyword arguments take precedence.

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Line Styles

character	description
'_'	solid line style
'--'	dashed line style
'-.'	dash-dot line style
':'	dotted line style

Example format strings:

```
'b'      # blue markers with default shape
'ro'     # red circles
'g-'     # green solid line
'--'     # dashed line with default color
'k^:'    # black triangle_up markers connected by a dotted line
```

Note

In addition to the above described arguments, this function can take a **data** keyword argument. If such a **data** argument is given, the following arguments are replaced by **data[<arg>]**:

- All arguments with the following names: 'x', 'y'.

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