

MatplotlibMatplotlib intro

→ Matplotlib is a Python Library for creating charts and graphs
→ This has the power to convert the plain numbers into visually appealing graphs

→ We can make

1. Line Charts

2. Bar Charts

3. Scatter plots

4. Histograms

5. Pie charts

→ We can even customize the size and pretty much all

Install the Library :-

pip install matplotlib

checking the version of the installed matplotlib

`Print(matplotlib.__version__)`

These `__func__` are called dunder functions.

→ There is a module called pyplot which exists in the library of matplotlib

→ pyplot provides a user-friendly interface for plotting

So we'll import it along with matplotlib

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

→ instead of calling the full name we import matplotlib.pyplot as plt.

Creating a basic plot

→ To create any plot we need x and y coordinates here

let's just use python list

$x = [2023, 2024, 2025, 2026]$ → for x coordinates

$y = [15, 25, 30, 20]$ → for y coordinates

→ make sure that no. of x coord == no. of y coord

→ To create a basic plot across the plt and - call the plot function. and pass the coordinates

```
plt.plot(x, y)
```

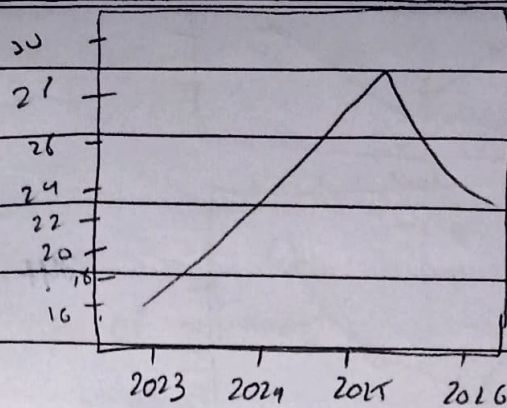
The first argument is for the x-axis
The second argument is for the y-axis

→ if we run this nothing displays

→ we need to call the show function in order to view the plot

```
plt.show()
```


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→ if we only pass one argument this argument would be for points on the y axis

Default Behavior for plot:-

1. Start at 0 and place a point at each increment of one
2. each of these ticks they increment by .5 each
3. The points on the x-axis will be provided to us

Using numpy arrays → Because numpy arrays are faster and give more functionality

```
import numpy as np
```

```
x = np.array([2013, 2014, 2015, 2016])
```

```
y = np.array([18, 24, 28, 23])
```

```
plt.plot(x, y)
```

```
plt.show
```


plot Customization

- We can customize the plots which we create, ~~more~~
- More specially we can customize the lines and markers
- To do this pass a keyword into the plot function which is called *marker*

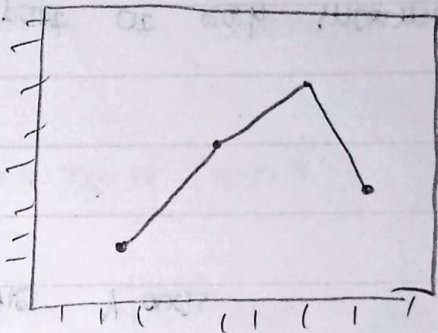
```
plt.plot(x, y, marker = '')
```

- marker equals a given character.
- Depending on the character that we set for markers, our marker will be one of a few symbols

eg

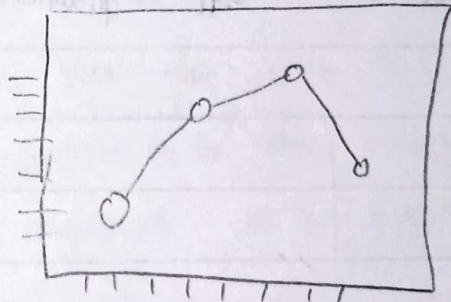
```
plt.plot(x, y, marker = '.')
```

- Then each set of coordinates has a point



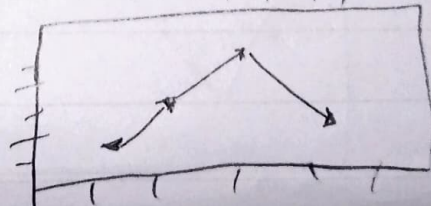
- Another is circle to get it set the character to 'o'

```
plt.plot(x, y, marker = 'o')
```

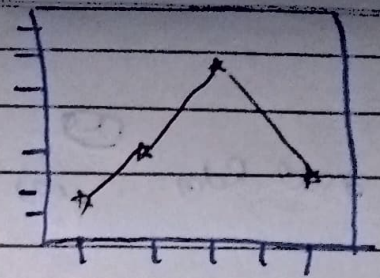


- To get a Triangle marker make the character to 'v'

```
plt.plot(x, y, marker = 'v')
```



→ To get a star set the character to `*`
`plt.plot(x, y, marker = '*')`



To change or set the size of marker

→ use the `markersize` keyword

→ The size can be anything our wish

`plt.plot(x, y, marker = 'o', markersize = 20)`

→ It can also be abbreviated to `ms` meaning `markersize`

To change the color of the marker

→ use the `markerfacecolor = ""` #to change face of the marker

→ You can use

- RGB values

- Name of the colour

- hexadecimal values

- HSL values

→ You can also make this shorter '`mfc`' meaning `markerfacecolor`.

→ Using short forms is good but not readable so don't try to use them.

→ You can also change the edge color of the marker

use the `markeredgecolor = ""` #to change the color of edge

→ the short form is `mec`

Customizing the Lines

① Line style:-

- You can change the style of the line shown
- The Default is solid

→ By the keyword `linestyle = " "`

eg `linestyle = "dashed"`

eg `linestyle = "dotted"`

eg `linestyle = "dashdot"`

eg `linestyle = None`

only point no line

② line width

Key word :-

`linewidth`

• Normal value is 1

③ line color

Key word

`color = " "`

• Select any color you want ← instructions similar to earlier

More than one line to customize

eg

```
x = np.array([2023, 2024, 2025, 2026])
```

```
y1 = np.array([15, 25, 30, 20])
```

```
y2 = np.array([17, 23, 38, 5])
```

```
plt.plot(x, y1, Customizations)
```

```
plt.plot(x, y2, )
```

```
plt.show()
```

→ Here the second line won't have the customizations similar to ①

so you can copy paste it

②

⇒ Create a dictionary with Key-value pairs

```
line_style = dict(customization)
```

```
plt.plot(x, y1, **line_style)
```

```
plt.plot(x, y2, **line_style)
```

→ It would be like to unpack the entire dictionary as if each key-value pair is passed as an individual keyword arguments

Labels :-

→ Setting a title for the chart :-

→ The `plt.title(" ")` is the function which is used to set the title for the plot

→ pass the title as a string

Customization of title :-

→ To do this we can pass in some keyword arguments.

① → font_size :- Change the font size of the title

② → family :- To change the font family

③ fontweight:- = "bold",

→ This makes the font to be bold

④ color:-

→ used to set the color of the title

→ Labels:-

→ These are like the quantities which are present at the coordinates

→ XLabel → set the label for x-axis

→ YLabel → sets the label for y-axis

eg

`plt.xlabel("Years")`

→ You can change the fontsize, fontfamily, fontweight and color same as title

→ The coordinates of the graphs ie ticks are

incrementing everytime by 5 to not make it do like this we can do

`plt.xticks(x)` → which makes the ticks only at the elements of x

Customizing the ticks

→ To do this call the `tick_params()` function re the ticks parameter function

`plt.tick_params()`

→ To select a certain axis use the keyword argument of `axes`

`axis = "x"` → only x axis is selected

`axis = "y"` → only y-axis is selected

`axis = "both"` → Both the axes are selected

→ To customize use the plural keyword argument

`plt.tick_params(axis = "both",
 colors = "Blue")`