Introduction to Seaborn

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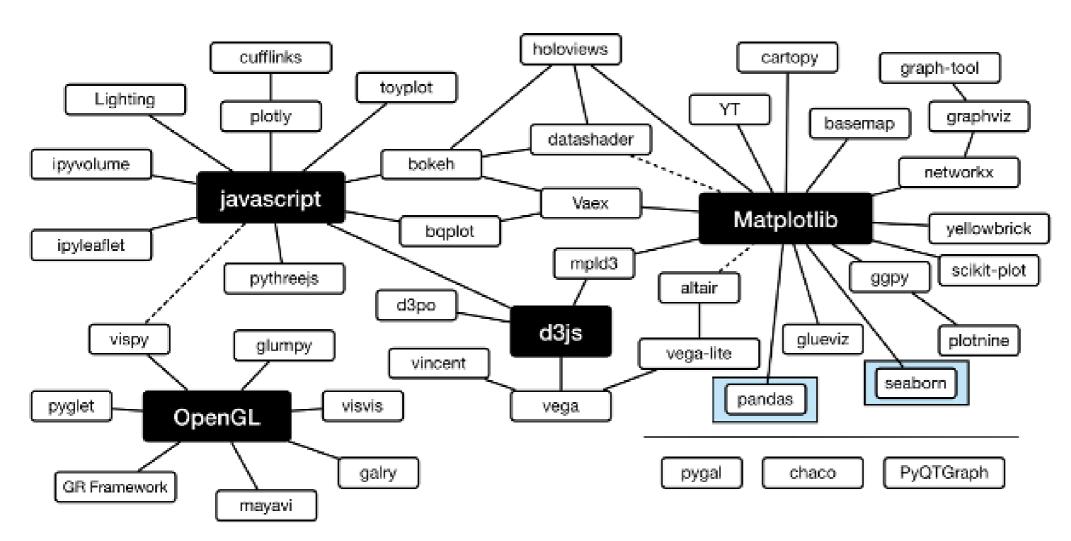


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Python Visualization Landscape

• The python visualization landscape is complex and can be overwhelming



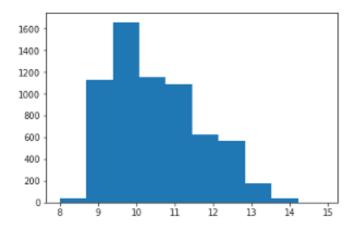
Matplotlib

- matplotlib provides the raw building blocks for Seaborn's visualizations
- It can also be used on its own to plot data

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas as pd

df = pd.read_csv("wines.csv")

fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.hist(df['alcohol'])
```



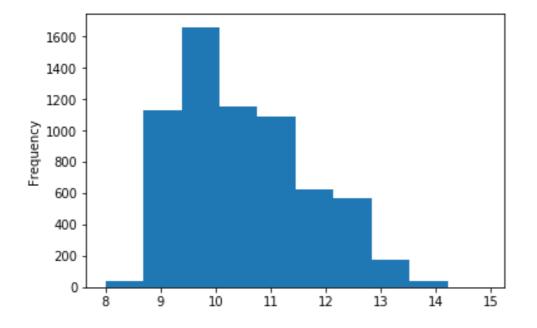
Pandas

- pandas is a foundational library for analyzing data
- It also supports basic plotting capability

```
import pandas as pd

df = pd.read_csv("wines.csv")

df['alcohol'].plot.hist()
```



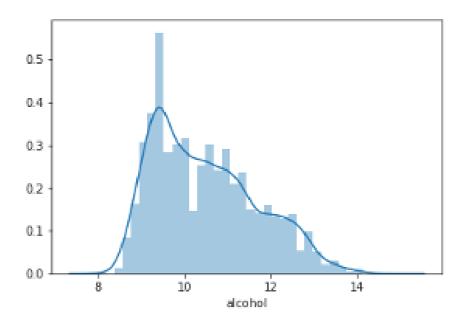
Seaborn

- Seaborn supports complex visualizations of data
- It is built on matplotlib and works best with pandas' dataframes

Seaborn

- The distplot is similar to the histogram shown in previous examples
- By default, generates a Gaussian Kernel Density Estimate (KDE)

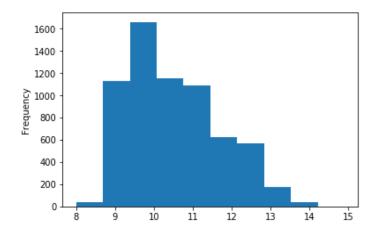
```
import seaborn as sns
sns.distplot(df['alcohol'])
```



Histogram vs. Distplot

Pandas histogram

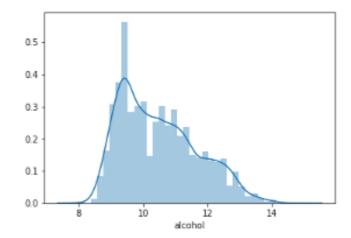
```
df['alcohol'].plot.hist()
```



- Actual frequency of observations
- No automatic labels
- Wide bins

Seaborn distplot

```
sns.distplot(df['alcohol'])
```



- Automatic label on x axis
- Muted color palette
- KDE plot
- Narrow bins

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Using the distribution plot

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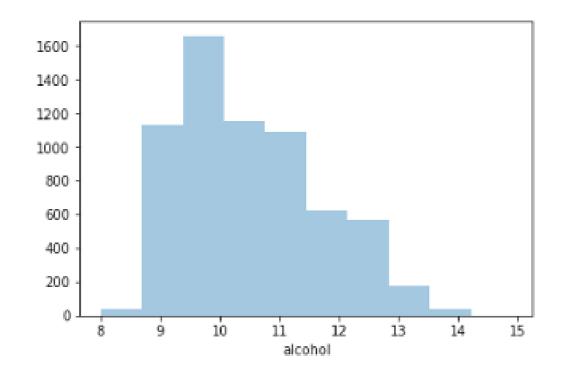
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Creating a histogram

- Distplot function has multiple optional arguments
- In order to plot a simple histogram, you can disable the kde and specify the number of bins to use

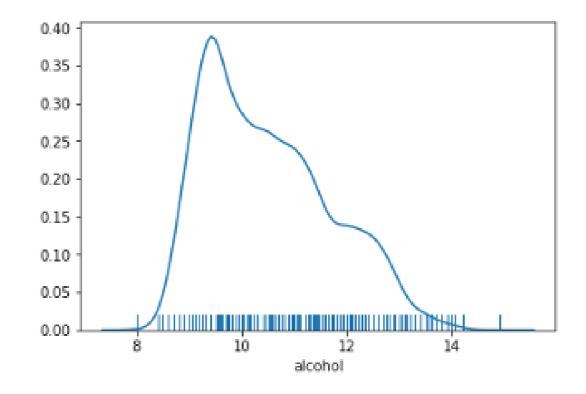
```
sns.distplot(df['alcohol'], kde=False, bins=10)
```



Alternative data distributions

- A rug plot is an alternative way to view the distribution of data
- A kde curve and rug plot can be combined

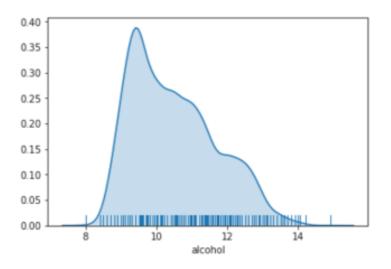
```
sns.distplot(df['alcohol'], hist=False, rug=True)
```



Further Customizations

- The distplot function uses several functions including
 kdeplot and rugplot
- It is possible to further customize a plot by passing arguments to the underlying function

```
sns.distplot(df['alcohol'], hist=False,
    rug=True, kde_kws={'shade':True})
```



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Regression Plots in Seaborn

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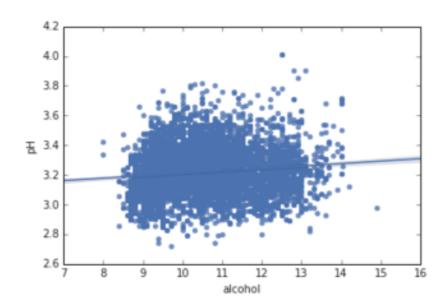
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Introduction to regplot

- The regplot function generates a scatter plot with a regression line
- Usage is similar to the distplot
- The data and x and y variables must be defined

```
sns.regplot(x="alcohol", y="pH", data=df)
```

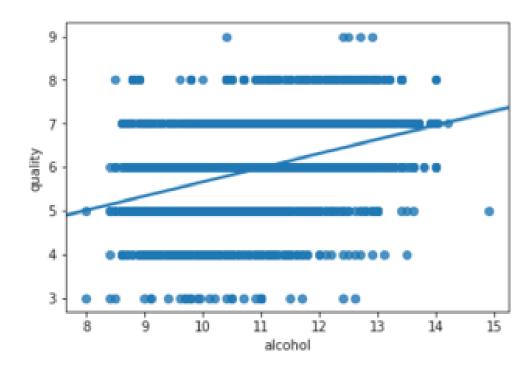


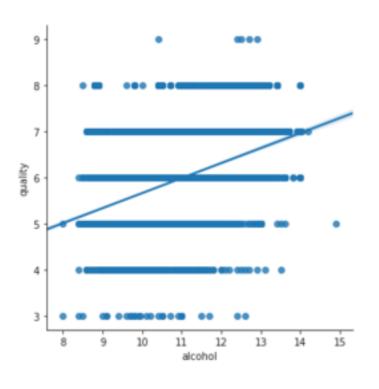
Implot() builds on top of the base regplot()

regplot - low level

```
sns.regplot(x="alcohol",
    y="quality",
    data=df)
```

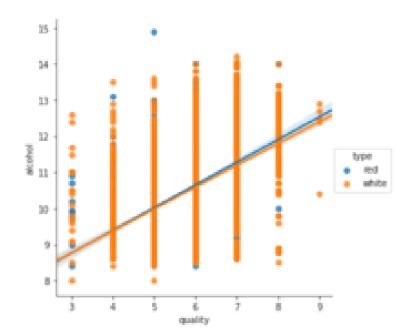
lmplot - high level



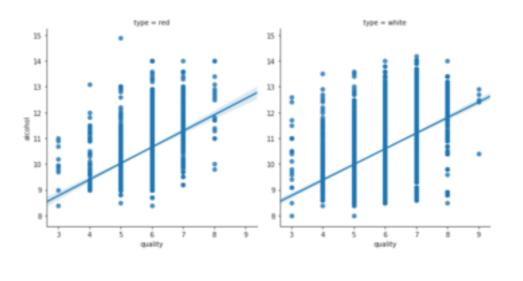


Implot faceting

Organize data by colors (hue)



Organize data by columns (col)



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