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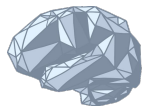


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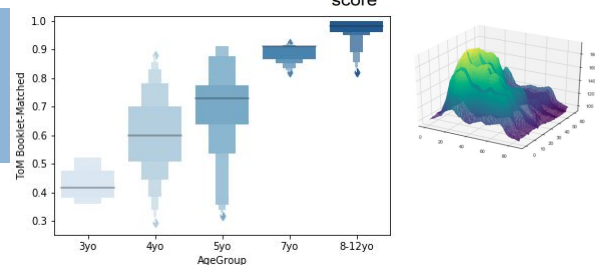
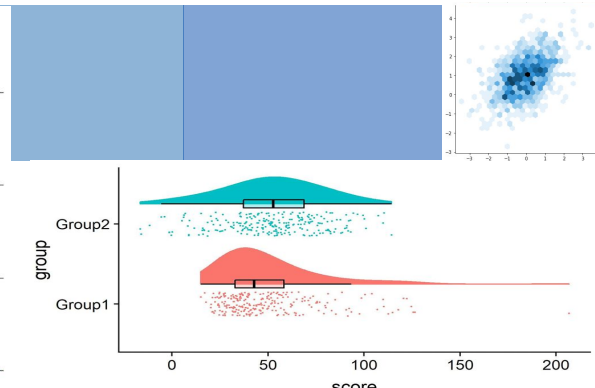
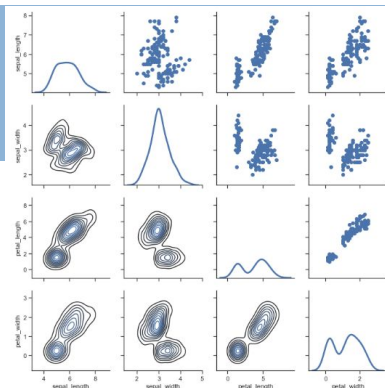
Data Visualization in Python

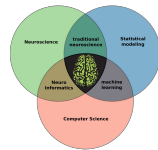
Neuro-Data-Science course 2021

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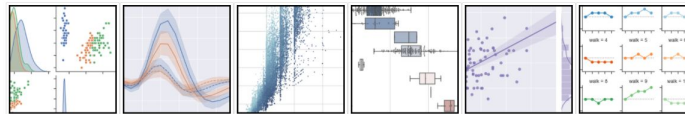
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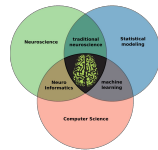
- Python provides a wide array of options
- Low-level and high-level plotting APIs
- Static images vs. HTML output vs. interactive plots
- Domain-general and domain-specific packages
- Python has many different modules to visualize data, the most prominent/famous/versatile are:
 - MATLAB based plotting system: [matplotlib](#)
 - based on matplotlib but nicer looking: [Seaborn](#) or [Pandas](#)
 - interactive plotting tools: [Bokeh](#) and [Plotly](#)

matplotlib



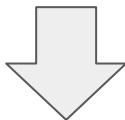
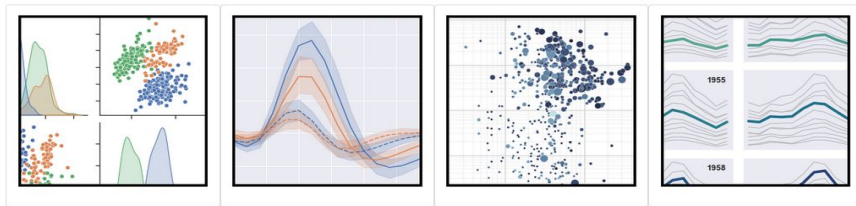
seaborn: statistical data visualization





Invest in learning both “high level” and “low level” packages

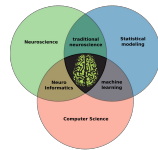
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matplotlib

Why do you need to know the principles / some of matplotlib?

- Because you most often, for article ready quality figures, you will need or want to tweak! If you can't do it in Seaborn, you will be able to go one level below and do the tweaking in Matplotlib.



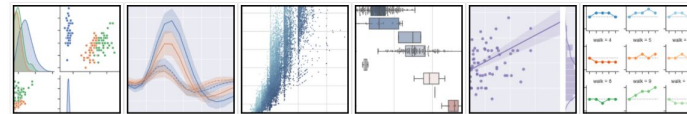
All the graphics...

- After this lecture, in the we will use a
`jupyter notebook` that lets you explore the concepts
In the office hours exercises, we'll go over using real data:
`Python_visualization_for_data.ipynb`

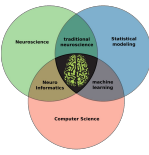
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<https://github.com/neurodatascience/course-materials-2021>

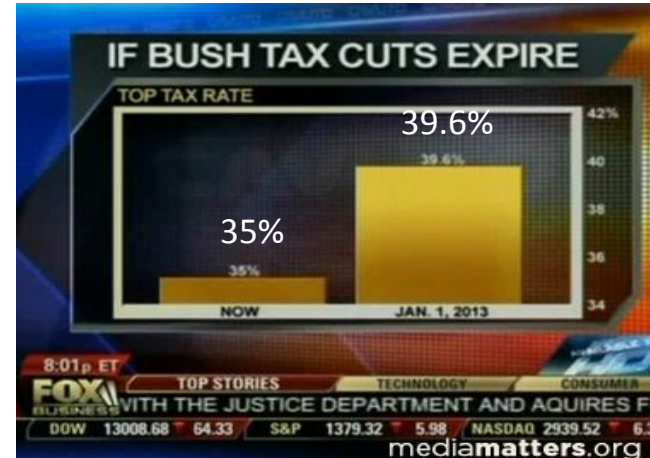


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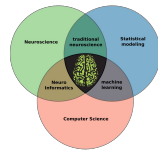
- while this is all fancy and cool, what's a major problem with most graphics?



<https://i2.wp.com/flowingdata.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Fox-News-bar-chart-1.jpg?w=645&ssl=1>



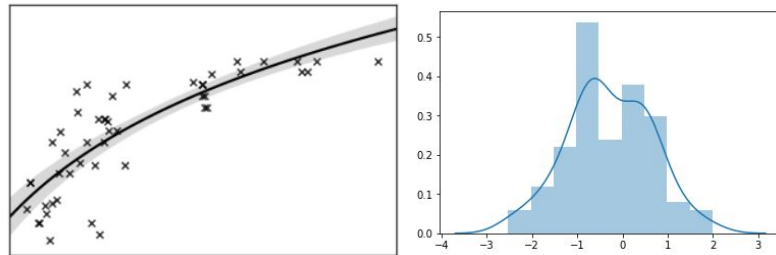
<http://forums.ancientcentral.com/ubbthreads.php?topic=58000921>



Understanding your data: What does it mean?

- Do: Learn the structure of your data

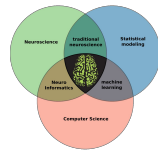
- Data distribution
- Summary statistics
- Identify missing data
- Data structure (dimensions of data)
- Basic associations



- Don't: Go on a fishing expedition

- Search your data for “significant” associations
- Test every association you can think of until one works
- hide things and/or emphasize artifacts/wrong things
- As soon as you have “seen” data : you may be biased in your “hypotheses”





Data analysis by design

Have a hypothesis?

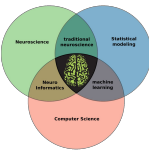
- Data collection
- analysis plan
- preregistration

approach

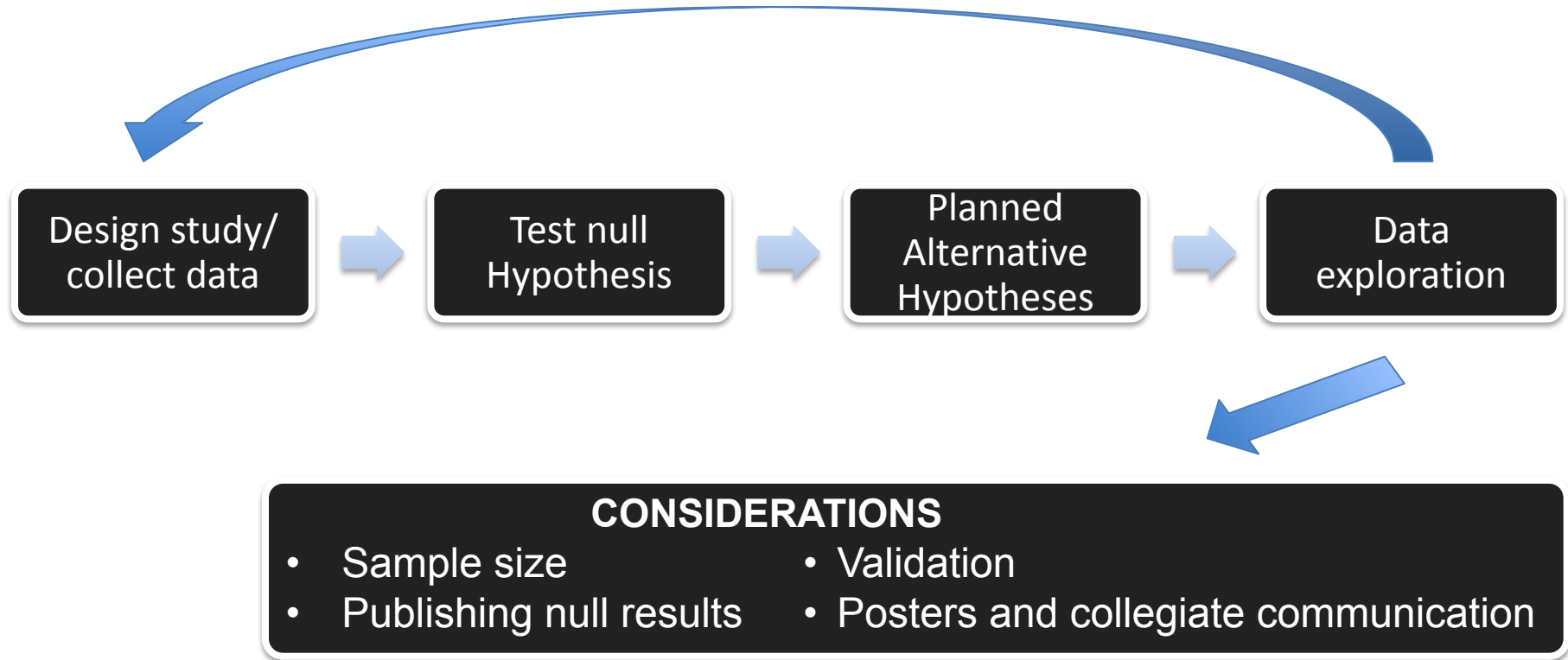
important
steps

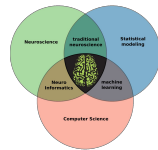
Don't have a hypothesis?

- Cross-validation
- Left-out test set
- External dataset



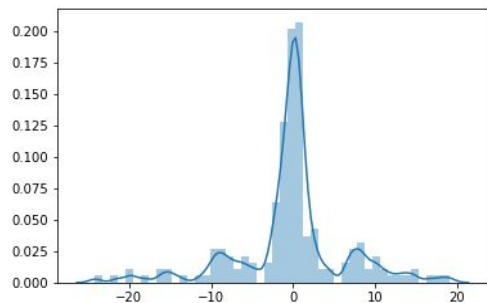
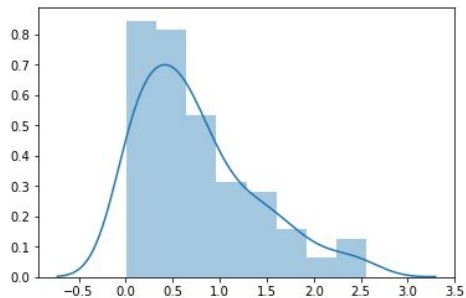
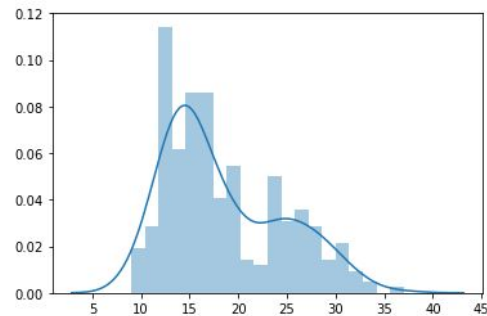
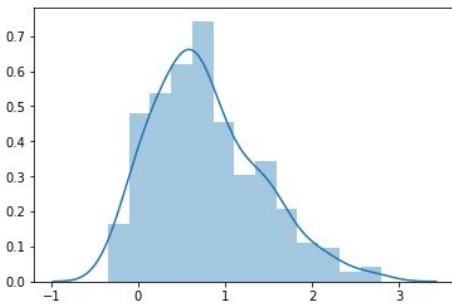
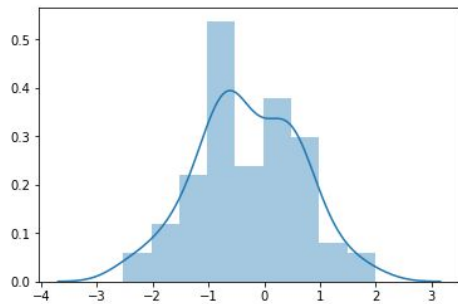
The train of stubborn null hypothesis

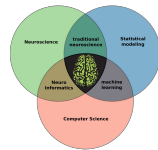




Getting to know your data

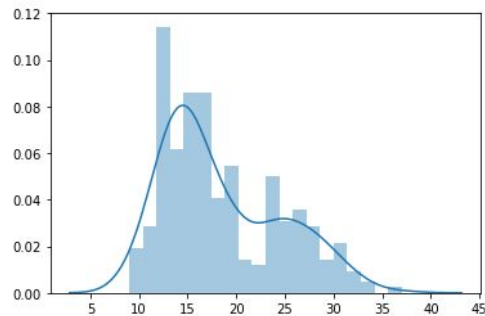
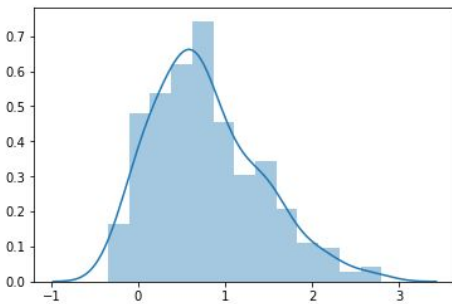
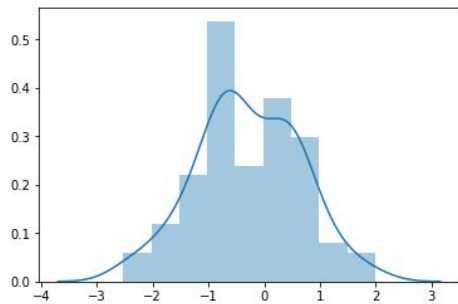
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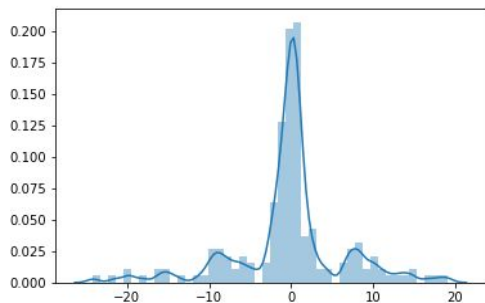
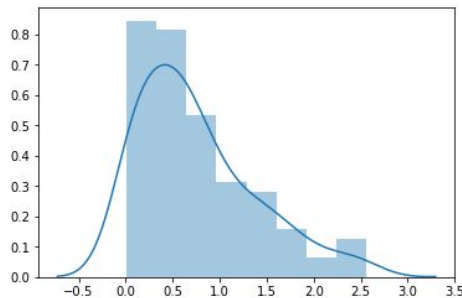
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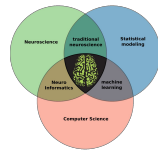
Skewed

Likely Bimodal

Floor/Ceiling

Laplace-ish

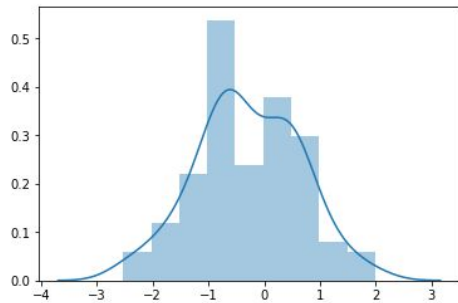




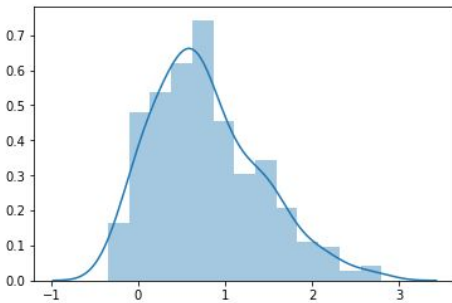
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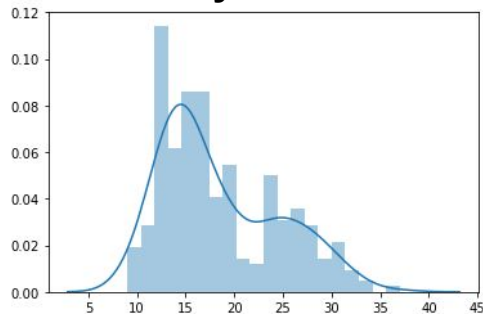
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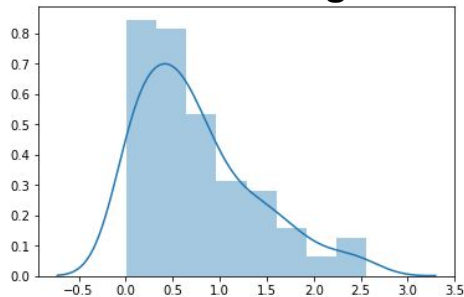
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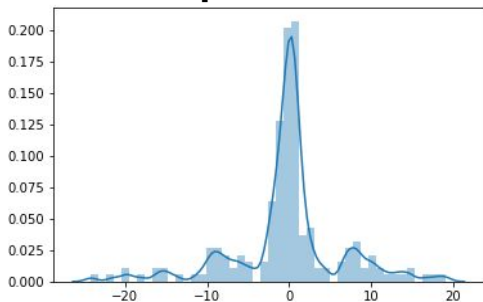
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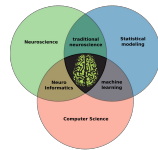


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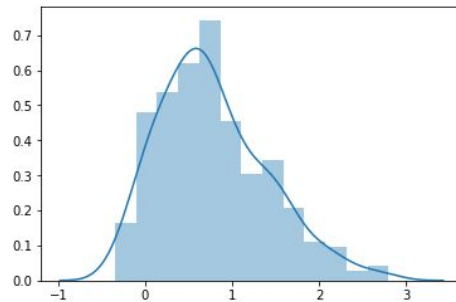
Getting to know your data

- real data distributions and how to tackle them

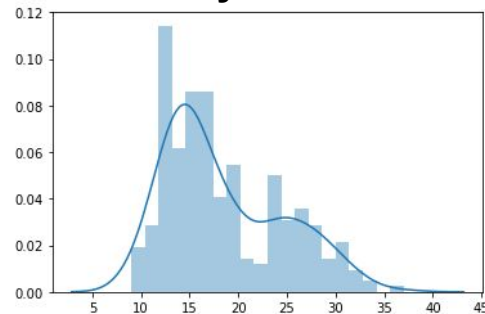
Strategies

- Non-parametric tests
- Categorization/encoding
- Normalization (e.g Log-norm)

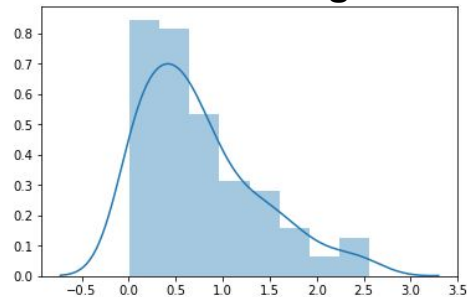
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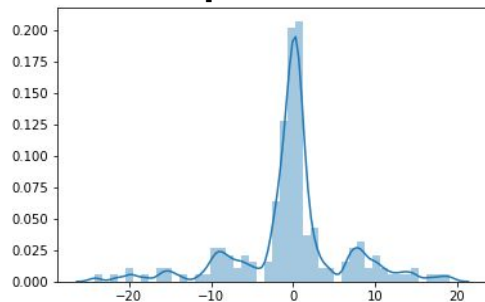
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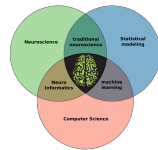


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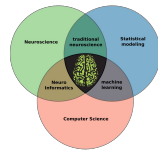
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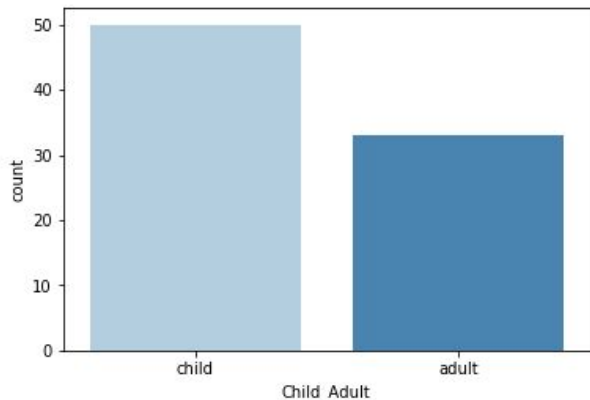
- Degrees of freedom
- Interpretability
- Generalizability



Visualizing your data: Univariate

Categorical

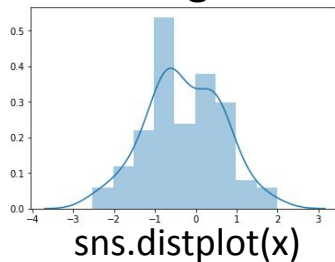
Countplot



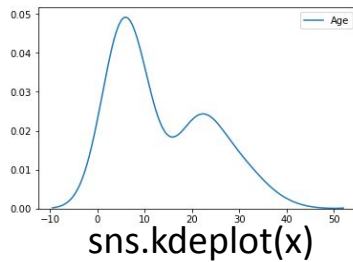
Pie Chart (Not recommended)

Scalar

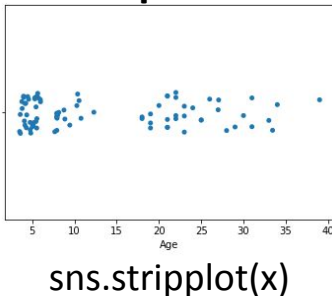
Histogram



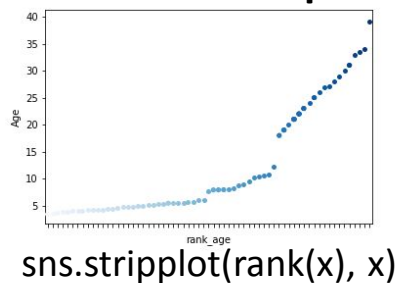
KDE Plot

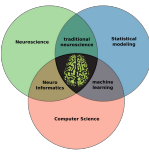


Strip Plot



Ranked Strip



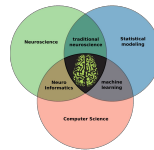


Visualizing your data: Bivariate

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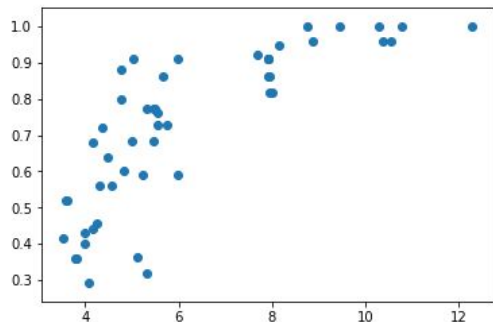
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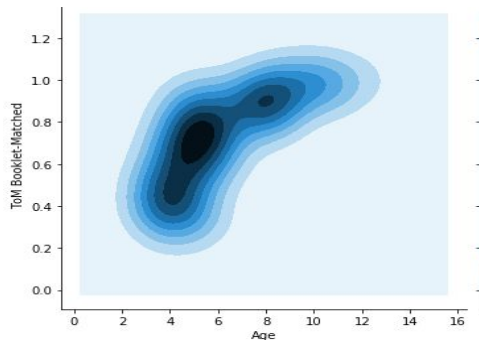
Scatterplot



`sns.regplot(x,y)`
`sns.lmplot(x,y)`
`sns.jointplot(x,y)`

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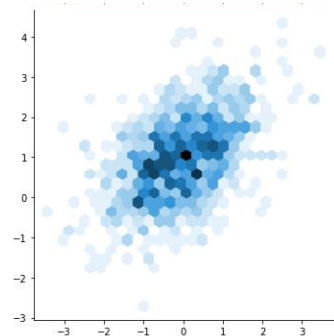
Density plot



`sns.jointplot(x,y, kind = 'kde')`

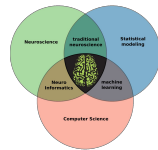
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Hexplot



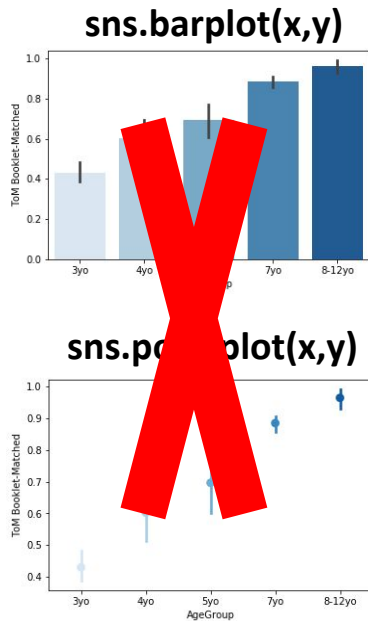
`sns.jointplot(x,y, kind = 'hex')`

Good for large sample sizes

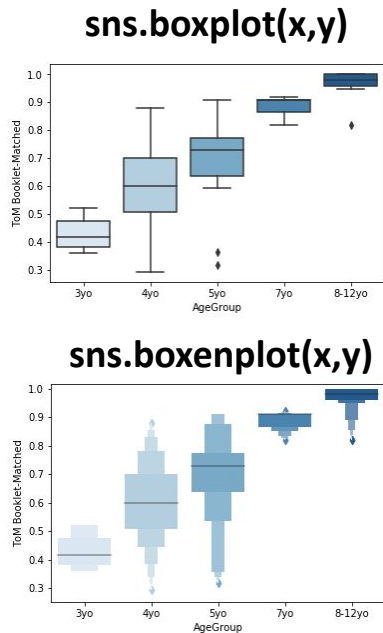


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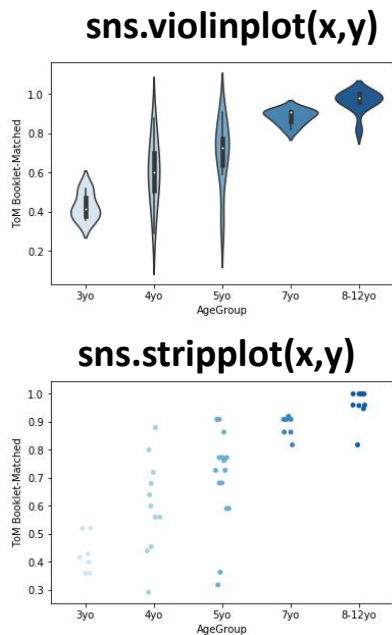
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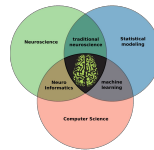


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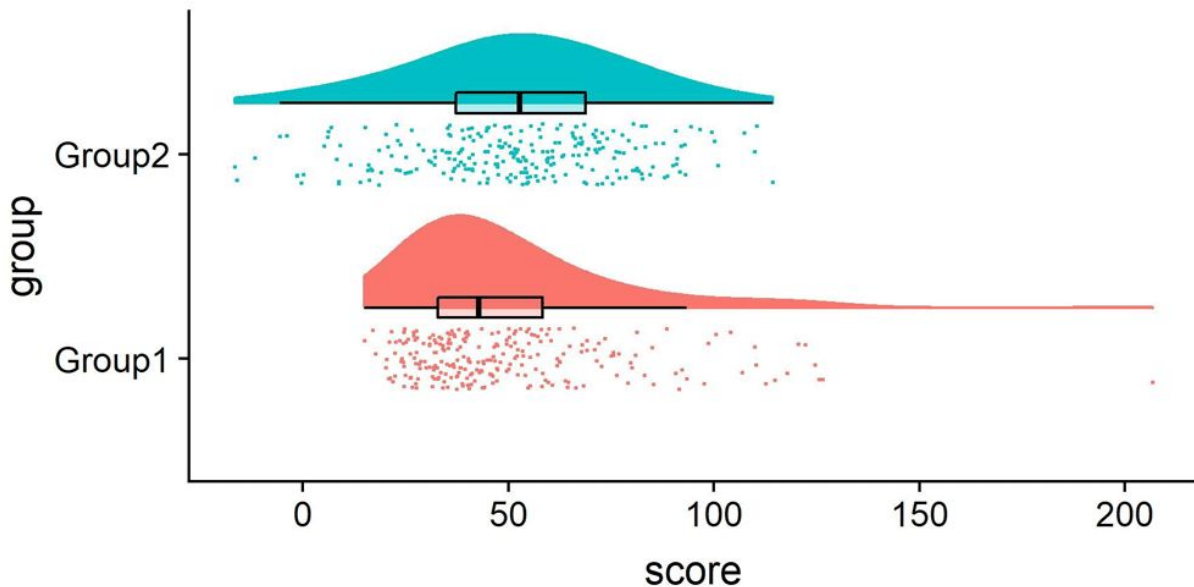
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Raincloud Plots



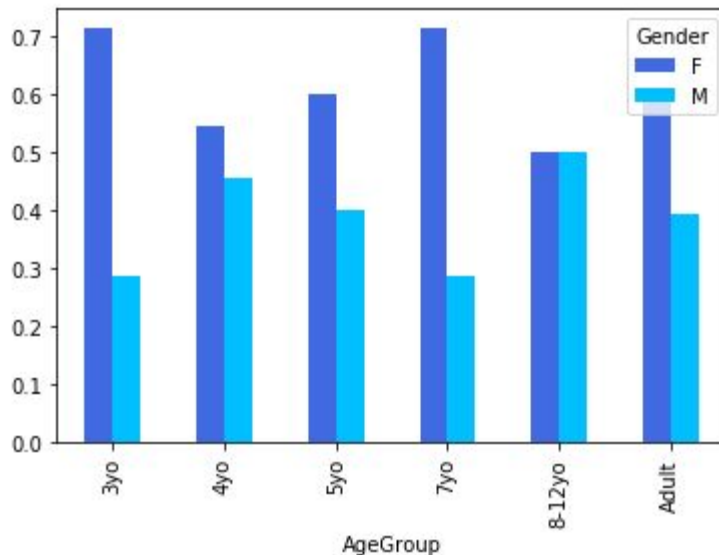
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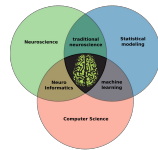
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**Barplots are
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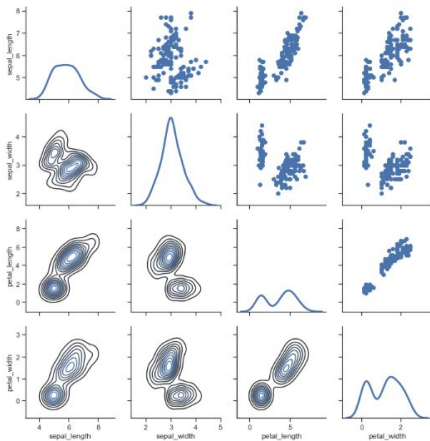




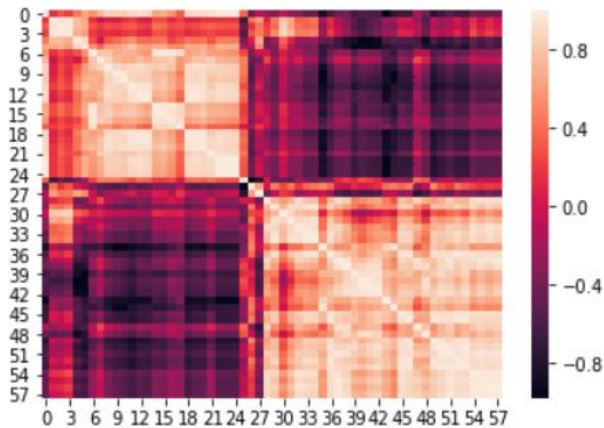
Visualizing your data: Multivariate

- Visualize several pairwise relationships at once with pairplots, heatmaps or clustermaps

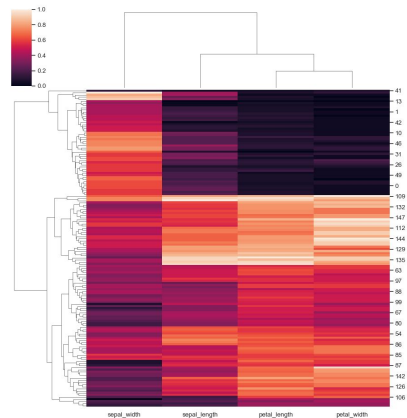
pairplot

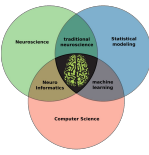


heatmap



clustermmap

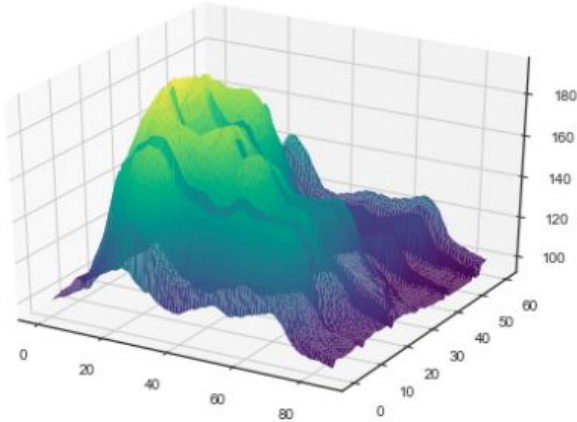




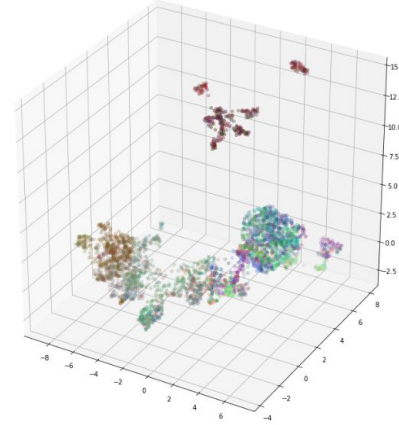
Visualizing your data: Multivariate

- Visualize the interaction between three variables with 3D plots

3D surface plot

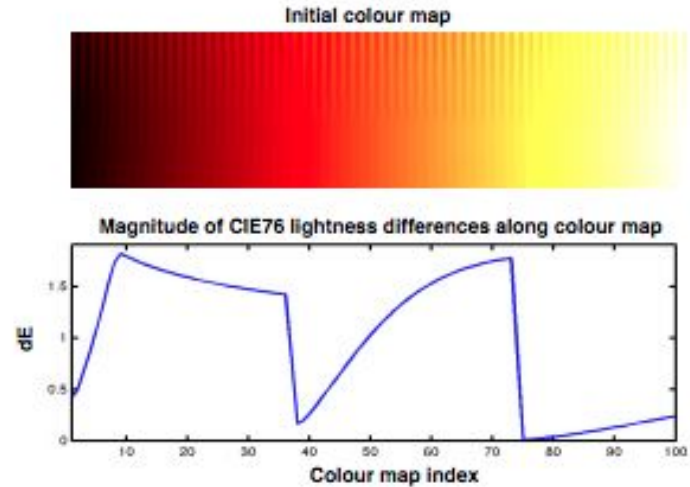
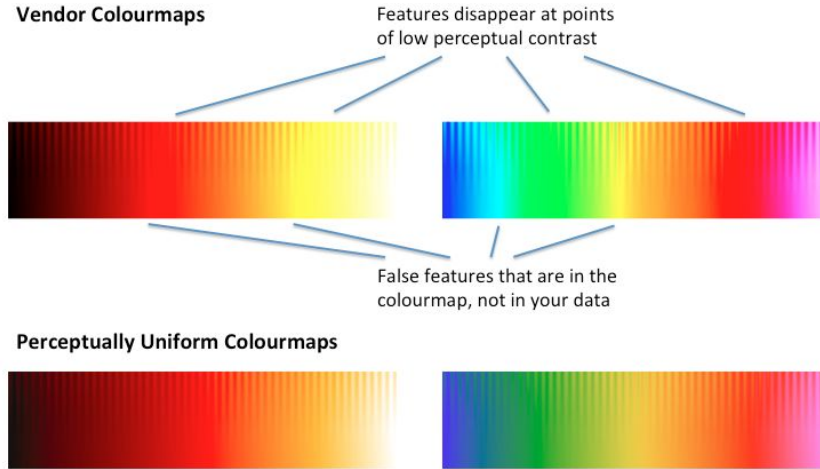


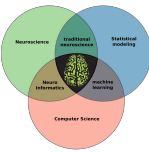
U-MAP + 3D scatter



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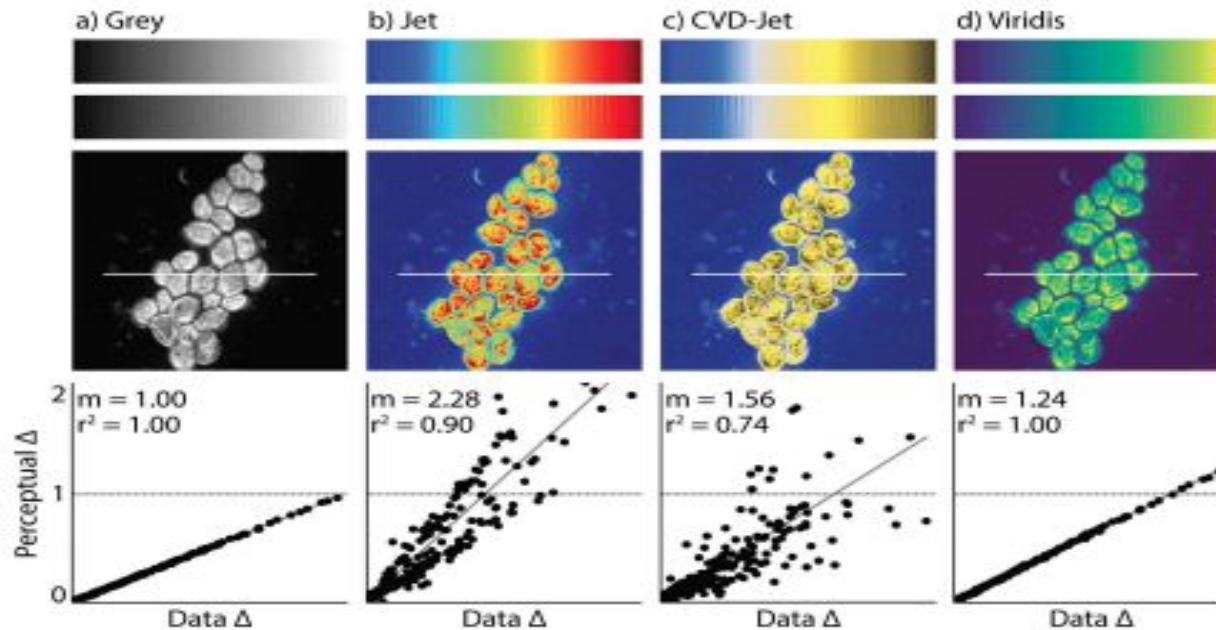
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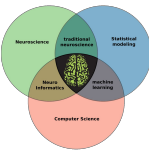


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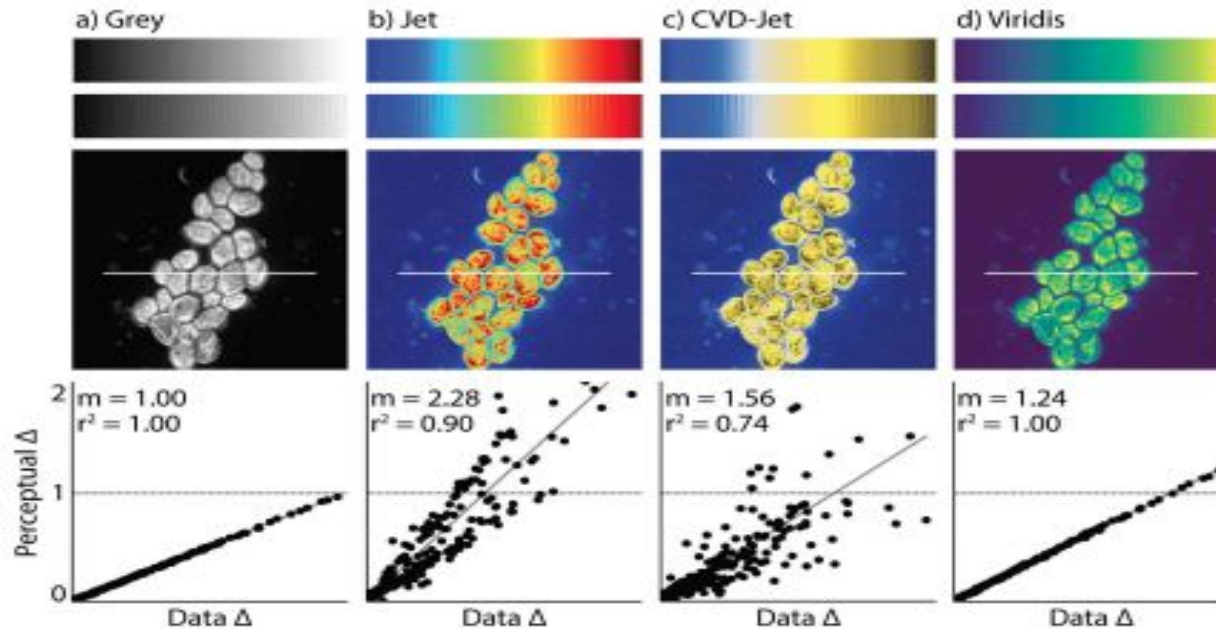


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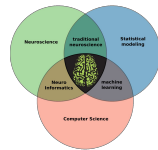


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- Consider color choices (perceptually uniform, colorblind-sensitive, is color necessary?)

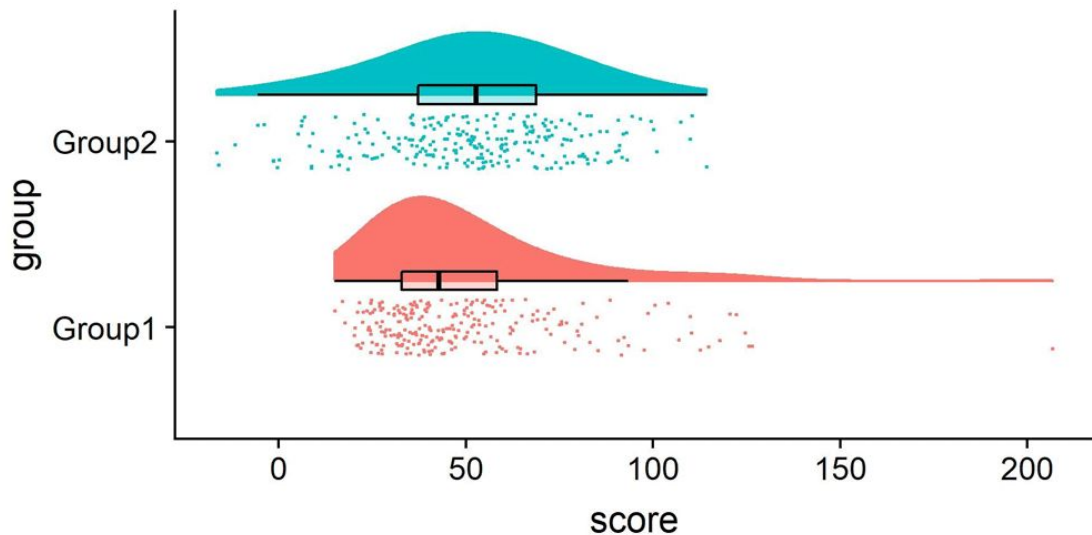


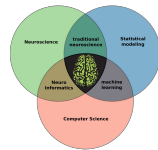
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- Save time by using python for all aspects of plot creation (Everything is customizable!)
- Show me the data!!





A word on style

- Check out the very helpful and cool new homepage <https://python-graph-gallery.com/> to see how you can create different kinds of graphs
- familiarize yourself with different color maps: <https://matplotlib.org/3.1.0/tutorials/colors/colormaps.html>

- don't use jet!


Fighting against Rainbow Colormaps everywhere!

Scientists co-opt our visual system to convey numerical data in a format that's easily understandable using spatial and color variation to capture details of the underlying data. A "colormap" transforms the set of numbers into a pattern of plotted colors.

When done poorly, this transformation introduces well-established visual artifacts and obscures the underlying detail. Furthermore, certain colormaps create images that are inaccessible to readers with anomalous color vision (i.e. colorblindness).

Unfortunately, widely-used rainbow colormaps, like "jet", face these issues but are pervasive in the scientific literature. Jetfighter aims to prevent this by detecting problematic colormaps in publicly available pre-print manuscripts and then contacting the authors, if necessary.

Explore recently screened manuscripts here, and check out a companion website that provides a solution for published figures, fluxjet.caltech.edu, as well!



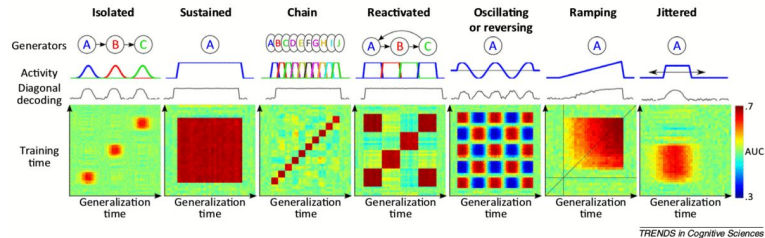
Check out the tech behind JetFighter!

Colormap resources

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fix_your_jet

You wished you hadn't used jet when you saved that figure? Here is a quick fix!



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Conclusions

- Visualization is a useful tool to figure out what is going on in data.
- Your figures should be reproducible (code + data).
- Display your data without forcing a perception of it.
- Be careful that the trends you see in exploratory analyses don't bias your hypotheses and tests.
- It is good to know both the high- and low-level libraries!