```
np.random.rand(3, 2)  # Output: 2D array with random floats
np.random.randint(1, 10, 5) # Output: Array of random integers from 1 to 10
```

These **NumPy** notes should give freshers a strong understanding of fundamental concepts and functions frequently asked in interviews.

Give matplotlib notes for freshers interview in detail

Here's a detailed guide to **Matplotlib** for freshers, covering key topics, syntax, and examples that are essential for interview preparation.

## 1. Introduction to Matplotlib

• What is Matplotlib?

Matplotlib is a powerful Python library used for data visualization. It is particularly useful for creating static, interactive, and animated plots.

- Why Use Matplotlib?
  - Highly customizable.
  - Integrates well with libraries like Pandas, NumPy, and SciPy.
  - Used extensively for data analysis and data science projects.

# 2. Getting Started with Matplotlib

- Importing Matplotlib:
  - The pyplot module is commonly used for plotting, typically imported as plt.

```
python
```

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

#### Basic Plot Structure:

- **Figure**: The entire canvas or plotting area.
- Axes: The area where the data is plotted (a figure can have multiple axes).
- Axis: X and Y (or Z) dimensions in the plot.

## 3. Basic Plotting Commands

#### • Line Plot:

• Used to visualize data trends over time or ordered data points.

```
python

plt.plot([1, 2, 3, 4], [10, 20, 25, 30], label='Line 1')

plt.xlabel('X-axis')

plt.ylabel('Y-axis')

plt.title('Line Plot')

plt.legend()

plt.show()
```

#### Scatter Plot:

• Displays individual data points and is ideal for showing relationships between variables.

```
python

x = [5, 7, 8, 7, 2, 17, 2, 9]
y = [99, 86, 87, 88, 100, 86, 103, 87]
plt.scatter(x, y, color='blue')
plt.xlabel('X-axis')
plt.ylabel('Y-axis')
plt.title('Scatter Plot')
plt.show()
```

#### Bar Plot:

Used to compare values across different categories.

```
categories = ['A', 'B', 'C']
values = [10, 15, 7]
plt.bar(categories, values, color='green')
plt.xlabel('Categories')
plt.ylabel('Values')
plt.title('Bar Plot')
plt.show()
```

### Histogram:

• Useful for showing data distribution over intervals.

```
python

data = [1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5]

plt.hist(data, bins=5, color='purple')

plt.xlabel('Bins')

plt.ylabel('Frequency')

plt.title('Histogram')

plt.show()
```

#### • Pie Chart:

Visualizes part-to-whole relationships.

```
python

sizes = [20, 30, 25, 25]
labels = ['Category A', 'Category B', 'Category C', 'Category D']
plt.pie(sizes, labels=labels, autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=140)
plt.title('Pie Chart')
plt.show()
```

# 4. Customizing Plots

• Titles and Labels:

• Use plt.title(), plt.xlabel(), and plt.ylabel() to add titles and axis labels.

### • Legend:

• Add legends with plt.legend(). You can specify location with loc.

```
python

plt.plot([1, 2, 3], label='Line 1')

plt.plot([3, 2, 1], label='Line 2')

plt.legend(loc='upper right')

plt.show()
```

### Colors and Line Styles:

• Customize lines with color (e.g., 'blue', 'r') and line styles ( '-', '--', ':').

```
python

plt.plot([1, 2, 3], color='red', linestyle='--', linewidth=2)
plt.show()
```

#### Markers:

• Add markers to highlight data points. Common markers are 'o', '\*', 's'.

```
python

plt.plot([1, 2, 3], marker='o')
plt.show()
```

#### Grid:

• Add grids with plt.grid(), which enhances plot readability.

```
python

plt.plot([1, 2, 3])
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```

# **5. Advanced Plotting Techniques**

### Subplots:

• Allows multiple plots in a single figure.

```
fig, (ax1, ax2) = plt.subplots(1, 2)
ax1.plot([1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6])
ax2.plot([1, 2, 3], [7, 8, 9])
plt.show()
```

### Adding Annotations:

Adds text or shapes to highlight specific parts of a plot.

#### Twin Axes:

• Used when plotting two datasets with different y-axes on the same plot.

```
fig, ax1 = plt.subplots()
ax2 = ax1.twinx()
ax1.plot([1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], 'g-')
ax2.plot([1, 2, 3], [10, 15, 25], 'b-')
plt.show()
```

# 6. Working with Matplotlib and Pandas

- Plotting Pandas DataFrame:
  - Pandas integrates seamlessly with Matplotlib for easy data visualization.

```
import pandas as pd
data = {'Category': ['A', 'B', 'C'], 'Values': [4, 3, 5]}
df = pd.DataFrame(data)
df.plot(kind='bar', x='Category', y='Values', color='orange')
plt.show()
```

## 7. Plot Styling

- Styles:
  - Use predefined styles to give plots a professional look. Available styles can be listed with plt.style.available.

```
python

plt.style.use('ggplot') # Apply 'ggplot' style

plt.plot([1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6])

plt.show()
```

- Saving Figures:
  - Save plots as image files using plt.savefig().

```
python

plt.plot([1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6])

plt.savefig('plot.png', dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')

plt.show()
```

## 8. Common Interview Questions on Matplotlib

- What is the difference between plt.plot() and plt.scatter()?
  - plt.plot() is used for line plots and connects data points with a line, while plt.scatter() is used for scatter plots, displaying individual data points without

connecting them.

### How do you create subplots in Matplotlib?

• Using plt.subplot() for a single subplot or plt.subplots() to create a grid of multiple subplots in a figure.

## • How can you customize line properties in a plot?

• Use parameters like color, linestyle, and linewidth within plt.plot() to customize line appearance.

## How do you add a legend to a plot?

• Add labels to each plot using label within the plotting command, then call plt.legend() to display the legend.

## How can you make a plot interactive?

Use %matplotlib inline in Jupyter notebooks or %matplotlib notebook for interactive plots. Additionally, libraries like Plotly can add interactivity on top of Matplotlib.

# 9. Summary of Commonly Used Functions

Function	Description
<pre>plt.plot()</pre>	Creates line plots.
<pre>plt.scatter()</pre>	Creates scatter plots.
<pre>plt.bar()</pre>	Creates bar plots.
<pre>plt.hist()</pre>	Creates histograms.
<pre>plt.pie()</pre>	Creates pie charts.
<pre>plt.xlabel() / plt.ylabel()</pre>	Sets labels for x and y axes.
<pre>plt.title()</pre>	Sets title for the plot.
<pre>plt.legend()</pre>	Adds legend to the plot.
<pre>plt.grid()</pre>	Adds grid lines to the plot.
<pre>plt.subplot() / plt.subplots()</pre>	Adds subplots to the figure.
<pre>plt.savefig()</pre>	Saves plot as an image file.