

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

1. Introduction to Seaborn

- **What is Seaborn?**

Seaborn is a powerful Python visualization library based on Matplotlib. It provides a high-level interface for drawing attractive and informative statistical graphics.

- **Why Use Seaborn?**

- Simplifies complex visualizations with minimal code.
 - Integrates well with Pandas DataFrames.
 - Provides built-in themes for more aesthetically pleasing plots.
 - Supports advanced statistical plotting.
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2. Installing Seaborn

To install Seaborn, you can use pip:

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bash

pip install seaborn
```

3. Getting Started with Seaborn

- **Importing Seaborn:**

```
python
```

```
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

- **Setting the Aesthetic Style:** Seaborn provides various themes for visualizations:

```
python
```

```
sns.set(style="whitegrid") # Other options: darkgrid, ticks, dark, white
```

4. Basic Plotting Commands

- **Scatter Plot:**

```
python
```

```
# Sample data
tips = sns.load_dataset('tips')

# Create a scatter plot
sns.scatterplot(x='total_bill', y='tip', data=tips)
plt.title('Scatter Plot of Total Bill vs Tip')
plt.show()
```

- **Line Plot:**

```
python
```

```
sns.lineplot(x='day', y='total_bill', data=tips, estimator='mean')
plt.title('Line Plot of Average Total Bill by Day')
plt.show()
```

- **Bar Plot:**

```
python
```

```
sns.barplot(x='day', y='total_bill', data=tips)
plt.title('Bar Plot of Total Bill by Day')
plt.show()
```

- **Histogram:**

python

```
sns.histplot(tips['total_bill'], bins=10, kde=True) # kde=True adds a Kernel
Density Estimate
plt.title('Histogram of Total Bill')
plt.show()
```

- **Box Plot:**

python

```
sns.boxplot(x='day', y='total_bill', data=tips)
plt.title('Box Plot of Total Bill by Day')
plt.show()
```

- **Violin Plot:**

python

```
sns.violinplot(x='day', y='total_bill', data=tips)
plt.title('Violin Plot of Total Bill by Day')
plt.show()
```

- **Heatmap:**

python

```
# Create a pivot table for heatmap
flights = sns.load_dataset('flights').pivot('month', 'year', 'passengers')
sns.heatmap(flights, cmap='YlGnBu')
plt.title('Heatmap of Flights Data')
plt.show()
```

5. Customizing Plots

- **Adding Titles and Labels:**

```
python

plt.title('Title Here')
plt.xlabel('X-axis Label')
plt.ylabel('Y-axis Label')
```

- **Changing Color Palettes:** Seaborn has built-in color palettes.

```
python

sns.set_palette('pastel') # Other options: deep, muted, bright, colorblind
```

- **Adding a Legend:**

```
python

sns.scatterplot(x='total_bill', y='tip', hue='time', data=tips) # hue
differentiates data points
plt.legend(title='Time of Day')
plt.show()
```

- **Customizing Axes:**

```
python

plt.xticks(rotation=45) # Rotate x-axis labels
```

6. Working with Pandas DataFrames

Seaborn works seamlessly with Pandas DataFrames, allowing for easy plotting of DataFrame columns.

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python

# Using the 'tips' dataset
tips.head()
```

- **Pair Plot:** Creates a matrix of scatter plots for pairwise relationships in the dataset.

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python

sns.pairplot(tips, hue='species') # Specify a hue for categorical differentiation
plt.show()
```

- **Facet Grid:** Used for creating a grid of plots based on a categorical variable.

```
python

g = sns.FacetGrid(tips, col='time')
g.map(sns.scatterplot, 'total_bill', 'tip')
plt.show()
```

7. Statistical Plotting

- **Regression Plot:** Shows a linear relationship between two variables along with a confidence interval.

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python

sns.regplot(x='total_bill', y='tip', data=tips)
plt.title('Regression Plot of Total Bill vs Tip')
plt.show()
```

- **Joint Plot:** Combines scatter plots with histograms or KDE plots for two variables.

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python
```

```
sns.jointplot(x='total_bill', y='tip', data=tips, kind='scatter')
plt.show()
```

8. Advanced Customization

- **Creating Custom Color Palettes:**

python

```
custom_palette = sns.color_palette("husl", 8) # Custom palette with 8 colors
sns.set_palette(custom_palette)
```

- **Subplot Customization:**

python

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(10, 10)) # Create 2x2 subplot
sns.histplot(tips['total_bill'], ax=ax[0, 0])
sns.boxplot(x='day', y='total_bill', data=tips, ax=ax[0, 1])
sns.violinplot(x='day', y='total_bill', data=tips, ax=ax[1, 0])
sns.barplot(x='day', y='total_bill', data=tips, ax=ax[1, 1])
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

9. Common Interview Questions on Seaborn

- **What are the advantages of using Seaborn over Matplotlib?**
 - Seaborn provides a more user-friendly interface for statistical visualizations, better aesthetics, and built-in themes compared to Matplotlib.
- **How can you change the color palette in Seaborn?**
 - Use `sns.set_palette()` to change the color palette before plotting.

- What is the difference between `sns.boxplot()` and `sns.violinplot()` ?
 - A box plot shows the summary statistics (median, quartiles) while a violin plot also includes the distribution of the data across different categories.
 - How do you create multiple plots with different subsets of data in Seaborn?
 - Use `sns.FacetGrid()` to create a grid of plots for different subsets of data based on categorical variables.
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10. Summary of Commonly Used Functions

Function	Description
<code>sns.scatterplot()</code>	Creates scatter plots.
<code>sns.lineplot()</code>	Creates line plots.
<code>sns.barplot()</code>	Creates bar plots.
<code>sns.histplot()</code>	Creates histograms with optional KDE.
<code>sns.boxplot()</code>	Creates box plots.
<code>sns.violinplot()</code>	Creates violin plots.
<code>sns.heatmap()</code>	Creates heatmaps from data matrices.
<code>sns.pairplot()</code>	Creates a matrix of scatter plots.
<code>sns.regplot()</code>	Creates regression plots.
<code>sns.jointplot()</code>	Combines scatter plots with marginal histograms.

Conclusion

These notes should provide freshers with a solid foundation in Seaborn for data visualization. Understanding these concepts and functions will prepare candidates for questions commonly asked in interviews and help them apply Seaborn effectively in real-world projects.