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📄 PLOTTING CHEAT SHEET

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SETUP

```
%matplotlib inline %úsè cõmmanď tō dīsqlay qlõts ñ ñõtèbõõks

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt %řõ úsè èwèřýthĩğ wĩth qlt»

import matplotlib.ticker as ticker

import matplotlib.dates as dates

matplotlib.rcParams['pdf.fonttype'] = 42 %řõ èyqõřt ñ tỳqè4 fõñts ñõť tỳqè6
```

PANDAS BUILT-IN FUNCTION

```
df.plot() %dèfaúlt>a ñĩhè čhářť (reference)

• linewidth=n %wĩdťh õf ñĩhè ñ ñĩhèčhářť

kind="bar" %wèřtĩcal bār čhářť

• stacked=True/False %řõř šťacķèd bār čhářťs
• x="field1", y="field2" %sqècĩfý sèřĩès tō úsè řõř y ańď ý èyqlĩcĩťlỳ

kind="barh" %řõřĩžõňťal bār čhářť

• stacked=True/False %řõř šťacķèd bār čhářťs
• x="field1", y="field2" %sqècĩfý sèřĩès tō úsè řõř y ańď ý èyqlĩcĩťlỳ

kind="scatter" %ścattèřqlõť

• s=number %sĩžè õf tĩhè dõťs ñ a ścattèřqlõť řcañ bè a ñĩšť/
• x="field1", y="field2" %sqècĩfý sèřĩès tō úsè řõř y ańď ý èyqlĩcĩťlỳ
• alpha=number %alqħawalúè řřańšqařèńćý/
• s=number %sĩžè õf ścattèřqlõťs«cañ bè a ñĩšť
• ylim=(val1, val2) %sèt mĩñ ańď mạy õf ý %yĩs
```

Format Options

```
• figsize=(valx, valy) %dèfĩhè sĩžè õf tĩhè ģřaqħ
• title="title" %řhè řĩťlè
• legend="True/False" %dīsqlay a ñèğèńď
• label="labellist"
• color="color/colorlist" %sèt cõłõř õf ñĩhè-bār«cañ bè a ñĩšť
```

WHERE TO PLOT

- `ax=otherplot` `ax=otherplot`

Histograms

```
df["field1"].hist()
```

- `bins=n`
- `bins=[n1, n2, n3, ...]`

MATPLOTLIB PLOTTING

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots() #create separate handles for the figure and axis
```

```
df.plot(ax=ax) #add a plot to the figure and axis specified ax.plot() #other way to add a plot to the figure and axis
```

```
ax.scatter() ax.pie() ax.bar() ax.barh() ax.hlines() ... #overview: https://matplotlib.org/2.0.2/api/axes\_api.html
```

MULTIPLE SUBPLOTS

```
fig = plt.figure() #create the figure separately ax = fig.add_subplot(vpos, hpos, n) #add an axis to the figure, at the nth position in a (v*h) grid
```

```
#FORMATTING THE PLOT - MAIN SETUP fig.set_size_inches(x, y) #Set the sizes
```

```
.set_title("Title") #Set the title fontsize=number .spines['right'].set_visible(True/False) #display borders around canvas 'left' 'top' 'bottom' .set_xlim([min, max]) #set range on the x-Axis .set_ylim([min, max]) #Set range on the y-Axis
```

```
#FORMATTING THE AXES - LABELS .axis('off') #remove the axes completely .set_xlabel("Label") #Set label of horizontal axis fontsize=number .set_ylabel("Label") #Set label of vertical axis fontsize=number .axis.set_ticks_position('top') #position of ticks 'bottom' 'none'
```

```
#FORMATTING THE AXES - TICKS .axis.set_ticks(listofticks)
```

```
.axis.set_major_locator() #define ticks frequency in a time plot dates.YearLocator() dates.MonthLocator()
```

```
.axis.set_major_formatter() #define the date format of the ticks in a time plot dates.DateFormatter('format') ticker.FormatStrFormatter('%0.1f')
```

```
fig.autofmt_xdate() #auto-rotate labels
```

```
.axes.set_xticklabels() #define and format the tick labels (non-time graph) fontsize=n rotation=n
```

```
#FORMATTING THE LEGEND ax.legend(True) #Complete list of options: fontsize=number
```

```
#https://matplotlib.org/2.0.2/api/\_as\_gen/matplotlib.axes.Axes.legend.html#matplotlib.axes.Axes.legend loc=n #0=best, 1=up,right, 2=up,left, ...
```

```
#FORMATTING THE GRID .grid(True) #Turn on all grid .grid(axis='y') #Turn on grid on y-axis only
```

```
#FORMATTING THE BACKGROUND ax.set_facecolor("color") #
```

```
#SPECIAL FEATURES ax.fill_between(x_values, y_mins, y_maxes) #Fill the area between y_mins and y_maxes
```

```
#EXPORT import matplotlib matplotlib.rcParams['pdf.fonttype'] = 42 #important for the fonts
```

```
plt.tight_layout() #make sure the layout has no overlap in export
```

```
plt.savefig("file.pdf") #export to pdf transparent=True
```

```
plt.savefig("file.svg") #export to pdf transparent=True/False #Transparency bbox_inches=n/'tight' #define the box pad_inches=n #padding around the figure
```