

Matplotlib L-3

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- ★ Import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline # using this line to see plots in the notebook.
- ★ Import numpy as np.
 $x = np.linspace(0, 5, 11)$
 $y = x^2$

Basic matplotlib commands

```
plt.plot(x, y, 'r') # 'r' is the colour red.  
plt.xlabel('x axis. Title here')  
plt.ylabel('y axis. Title Here')  
plt.title('String Title here')  
plt.show()
```

Creating multiple plots on same canvas

```
plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)  
plt.plot(x, y, 'r--') # more on later options later.  
plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)  
plt.plot(y, x, 'g*-')
```

Matplotlib Object Oriented Method

```
# Create figure (empty canvas)  
fig = plt.figure()  
# Add set of axes to figure.  
axes = fig.add_axes([0.1, 0.1, 0.8, 0.8])  
# Left, bottom, width, height [Range 0 to 1]  
axes.plot(x, y, 'b')  
axes.set_xlabel('Set x label') # Notice the use of set method  
axes.set_ylabel('Set y label') # set method for y axis.  
axes.set_title('Set title')
```


Create blank canvas

```
fig = plt.figure()
axes1 = fig.add-axes([0.1, 0.1, 0.8, 0.8]) # main axes
axes2 = fig.add-axes([0.2, 0.5, 0.4, 0.3]) # inset axes
```

Larger fig axes.1

```
axes1.plot(x, y, 'b')
axes1.set_xlabel('x-label-axes1')
axes1.set_ylabel('y-label-axes1')
axes1.set_title('Axes 1 title')
```

Insert Figure Axes 2

```
axes2.plot(x, y, 'r')
axes2.set_xlabel('x-label-axes2')
axes2.set_ylabel('y-label-axes2')
axes2.set_title('Axes 2 title')
```

Subplots

The `plt.subplots()` object will act as a more automatic axis manager.

Use similar to `plt.figure()` except use tuple unpacking to Grab fig and axes.

```
fig, axes = plt.subplots()
```

Now use the axes object to add stuff to plot.

```
axes.plot(x, y, 'r')
axes.set_xlabel('x')
axes.set_ylabel('y')
axes.set_title('title')
```


Empty canvas of 1 by 2 subplots.

```
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2)
```

axes # axes is an array of axes to plot on.

for ax in axes:

```
ax.plot(x, y, 'b')
```

```
ax.set_xlabel('x')
```

```
ax.set_ylabel('y')
```

```
ax.set_title('title').
```

fig # display the figure object.

→ A common issue with matplotlib is overlapping subplots or figures. we can use `plt.tight_layout()` method, which automatically adjusts the position of the axes on the figure canvas so that there is no overlapping content.

```
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2)
```

for ax in axes:

```
ax.plot(x, y, 'g')
```

```
ax.set_xlabel('x')
```

```
ax.set_ylabel('y')
```

```
ax.set_title('title')
```

```
plt.tight_layout()
```

figsize, aspect ratio and DPI

matplotlib allows the aspect ratio, DPI and figure size to be specified when the figure object is created. You can use the `figsize` and `dpi` keywords arguments.

`figsize` \rightarrow Tuple of width and height of the figure in inches.

`dpi` \rightarrow dots-per-inch (pixel per inch)

For example:-

`fig = plt.figure(figsize=(8,4), dpi=100)`

* The same arguments can also be passed to layout managers, such as the subplots functions:

`fig, axes = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,3))`

`axes.plot(x,y, 'r')`

`axes.set_xlabel('x')`

`axes.set_ylabel('y')`

`axes.set_title('title')`

Saving Figures

matplotlib can generate high-quality output in a number formats.

\rightarrow `fig.savefig("filename.png")`

\rightarrow `fig.savefig("filename.png", dpi=200)`

Legends, Labels and Titles

Figure titles

- A title can be added to each axis instance in figure.
- To set the title, use the set-title method in the axes instance.
- `ax.set_title("title")`

Axes label

- `ax.set_xlabel("x")`
- `ax.set_ylabel("y")`

Legends

```
fig = plt.figure()
ax = fig.add_axes([0,0,1,1])
ax.plot(x, x**2, label="x**2")
ax.plot(x, x**3, label="x**3")
ax.legend()
```

- The Legend function takes an optional keyword argument loc that can be used to specify where in the figure the legend is to be drawn

```
ax.legend(loc=1)  ## upper right corner
ax.legend(loc=2)  ## upper left corner
ax.legend(loc=3)  ## lower left corner
ax.legend(loc=4)  ## lower right corner
ax.legend(loc=0)  ## let mat decide the optimal location.
```


Setting colors, linewidths, line types

matplotlib style line color and style

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
```

```
ax.plot(x, x**2, 'b--') # blue line with dots
```

```
ax.plot(x, x**3, 'g--') # green dashed line
```

Colors with the color= parameter

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
```

```
ax.plot(x, x+1, color="blue", alpha=0.5) # half transparent
```

```
ax.plot(x, x+2, color="#8B008B") # RGB hex code.
```

```
ax.plot(x, x+3, color="#FF8C00") # RGB hex code.
```

Marker size and color

```
ax.plot(x, x+13, color="purple", lw=1, ls='-',  
        marker='o', markersize=2)
```

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,6)).
```

Plot Range

→ we can configure the ranges of the axes using the `set_ylim` and `set_xlim` methods in the axis objects, or `axis('tight')` for automatically getting tightly fitted.


```
fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize = (12, 4))
```

```
axes[0].plot(x, x**2, x, x**3)
```

```
axes[0].set_title("default axes ranges").
```

```
axes[1].plot(x, x**2, x, x**3)
```

```
axes[1].axis('tight')
```

```
axes[1].set_title("tight axes")
```

```
axes[2].plot(x, x**2, x, x**3)
```

```
axes[2].set_xlim([0, 60])
```

```
axes[2].set_ylim([2, 5])
```

```
axes[2].set_title("Custom axes range")
```

★ Special Plot Types

plt.scatter(x, y)