Figure and Axes

- plt.figure(figsize=(width, height), dpi=resolution)

figsize: Tuple for width and height in inches.

dpi : Dots per inch (resolution).

~ plt.subplot(nrows, ncols, index)

nrows : Number of rows of subplots.ncols : Number of columns of subplots.

index: Position of the subplot.

plt.subplots(nrows, ncols, figsize=(width, height), dpi=resolution)

- Same as above, plus :

figsize: Tuple for figure size.

plt.gca(): Returns the current Axes instance.plt.gcf(): Returns the current Figure instance.

Plotting Functions

~ plt.plot(x, y, fmt, label='label', color='color', linewidth=lw, markersize=ms)

x : Data for x-axis.y : Data for y-axis.

fmt : Format string (e.g., 'ro' for red circles).label : Label for the line (for the legend).

color : Line color.

linewidth: Width of the line. **markersize**: Size of the markers.

plt.scatter(x, y, s=size, c=color, alpha=opacity)

s : Marker size.

c : Color (can be a sequence). **alpha** : Transparency level.

~ plt.bar(x, height, width=bar_width, color='color', label='label')

x : Position of bars on x-axis.height : Height of bars.

width: Width of bars.

color: Bar color.label: Label for the bars.

~ plt.barh(y, width, height=bar_height, color='color', label='label')

y : Position of bars on y-axis.

width : Width of bars.height : Height of bars.

~ plt.hist(data, bins=number_of_bins, color='color', alpha=opacity)

data : Input data.bins : Number of bins.color : Histogram color.alpha : Transparency level.

~ plt.boxplot(data, vert=True, patch artist=True)

data: Input data.

vert : Orientation (True for vertical).patch_artist : Fill box with color.

- plt.pie(data, labels=labels, autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=90)

data: Input data.

labels: Labels for each wedge.

autopct : String format for percentage display.startangle : Start angle for the pie chart.

· plt.fill(x, y, color='color', alpha=opacity)

x : x-coordinates.y : y-coordinates.

- plt.errorbar(x, y, yerr=error, fmt='o', label='label')

x : Data for x-axis.y : Data for y-axis.

yerr : Error bars for y values.fmt : Format string for markers

Customising Plots

~ plt.title('Title', fontsize=size)

fontsize: Size of the title font.

~ plt.xlabel('Label', fontsize=size)

fontsize: Size of the x-axis label font.

~ plt.ylabel('Label', fontsize=size)

fontsize: Size of the y-axis label font.

~ plt.xlim(left, right)

left : Lower limit of x-axis.right : Upper limit of x-axis.

~ plt.ylim(bottom, top)

bottom: Lower limit of y-axis. **top**: Upper limit of y-axis.

~ plt.legend(loc='best')

loc : Location of the legend.

~plt.grid(visible=True, which='both', axis='both', color='color', linestyle='--', linewidth=0.5)

visible: True or False.

which : 'both', 'major', or 'minor'.

axis: 'both', 'x', or 'y'.

plt.xticks(ticks=locations, labels=labels, rotation=angle)

ticks: Locations of ticks. **labels**: Labels for ticks.

rotation: Angle for tick labels.

plt.yticks(ticks=locations, labels=labels, rotation=angle)

- Same as 'xticks'.

Saving and Showing Figures

~ plt.show(): Displays the figure window.

~ plt.savefig('filename.png', dpi=resolution, bbox_inches='tight')

filename: Name of the file to save.

dpi: Dots per inch.

bbox_inches: Controls bounding box.

Advanced Customization

~ plt.style.use('style_name') : Applies a predefined style to plots.

- plt.annotate('text', xy=(x, y), xytext=(xtext, ytext), arrowprops=dict(arrowstyle='->'))

xy : Point to annotate.

xytext : Position of the annotation text.arrowprops : Dictionary of arrow properties.

~ plt.text(x, y, 'text', fontsize=size, color='color')

x : x-coordinate.y : y-coordinate.

fontsize: Size of the text font.

color : Color of the text.

Data Handling

~ plt.plot_date(x, y, fmt='format')

x : Date data for x-axis.y : Data for y-axis.

fmt : Format string for the markers.

plt.imshow(data, cmap='colormap', interpolation='nearest')

data: 2D array for image data.

cmap: Colormap.

interpolation: Interpolation method.

Color and Colormaps

~ plt.colormaps() : Lists available colormaps.

plt.colorbar(mappable=None, cax=None, ax=None)

mappable: The mappable instance (e.g., from `imshow`).

cax : Axes for the colorbar.

ax: Axes that the colorbar will be added to.

Layout Management

~ plt.tight layout() : Adjusts subplot parameters for better spacing.

plt.subplots_adjust(left, right, top, bottom, wspace, hspace)

left, right, top, bottom: Margins as a fraction of the figure size.

wspace : Width space between subplots.hspace : Height space between subplots.

Interactivity

plt.ion(): Turns on interactive mode.plt.ioff(): Turns off interactive mode.

Miscellaneous

~ plt.clf() : Clears the current figure.

~ plt.cla() : Clears the current Axes.

~ plt.close(fig) : Closes a specific figure.