Plotting and Visualization using Matplotlib

- Matplotlib is a Python library for publication-quality 2D and 3D graphics, with support for a variety of different output formats.
- It is built on NumPy arrays and designed to work with the broader SciPy stack and consists of several plots like line, bar, scatter, histogram, etc.

Install Matplotlib on Windows

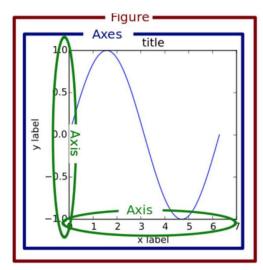
Users who prefer to use pip can use the below command to install Matplotlib:
 pip install matplotlib

Matplotlib - Object Hierarchy

- Figure: Outermost container for a Matplotlib graphic. Can contain multiple Axes objects.
- Axes: Actual plots. Contain smaller objects (tick marks, individual lines, etc.)
- Artist: Everything that is seen on the figure is an artist.

Creating Different Types of Plot

• In data visualization, creating various types of plots is essential for effectively conveying insights from data. Below, we'll explore how to create different types of plots using Matplotlib, a powerful plotting library in Python.



Different Types of Charts

Matplotlib supports a variety of charts, each suitable for different data visualization needs:

- **Line Charts**: Ideal for showing trends over time. A line chart can be created using the plot() function.
- **Bar Charts**: Useful for comparing quantities corresponding to different groups. Bar charts can be vertical or horizontal and are generated using the bar() or barh() functions.
- **Histograms**: Great for showing the frequency distribution of a dataset. Histograms are created using the hist() function.
- **Box Plots**: Used to show the distribution of a dataset. It can be created with the boxplot() function and is useful for detecting outliers.
- **Scatter Plots**: Perfect for showing the relationship between two variables. Created using the **scatter()** function.
- **Pie Charts**: Best for showing the proportional makeup of a dataset. Pie charts are generated using the pie() function.
- **Area Charts**: Similar to line charts but with the area below the line filled in. Created using the stackplot() function.
- **Density Plots**: Useful for visualizing the distribution of a dataset. Density plots can be created using the kde() function.
- **Hexbin Plots**: Ideal for representing the intensity of data points in two dimensions. Created using the **hexbin()** function.

Markers

character	description	
1.1	point marker	
1 1	pixel marker	
'0'	circle marker	
'v'	triangle_down marker	
' ^ '	triangle_up marker	
'<'	triangle_left marker	
'>'	triangle_right marker	
'1'	tri_down marker	
'2'	tri_up marker	
'3'	tri_left marker	
'4'	tri_right marker	
'8'	octagon marker	
's'	square marker	
'p'	pentagon marker	
'P'	plus (filled) marker	
'*'	star marker	
'h'	hexagon1 marker	
'H'	hexagon2 marker	
1+1	plus marker	
'x'	x marker	
'X'	x (filled) marker	
'D'	diamond marker	
'd'	thin_diamond marker	
' '	vline marker	
121	hline marker	

Line Styles

character	description	
1-1	solid line style	
11	dashed line style	
1 - 1	dash-dot line style	
1:1	dotted line style	

Colors

character	color
'b'	blue
'g'	green
'r'	red
'c'	cyan
'm'	magenta
'y'	yellow
'k'	black
'w'	white

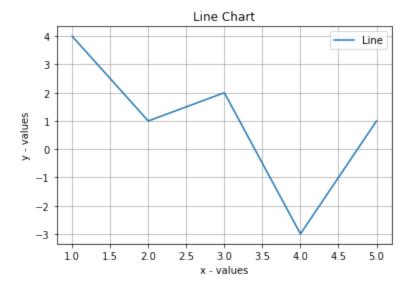
Subplot Placement

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A Basic Line Plot

```
In [1]:
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          # data to display on plots
          x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
          y = [4, 1, 2, -3, 1]
          # This will plot a simple line chart
          \# with elements of x as x axis and y
          # as y axis
          plt.plot(x, y)
          plt.grid()
          plt.title("Line Chart")
          plt.xlabel('x - values')
          plt.ylabel('y - values')
          # Adding the Legends
          plt.legend(["Line"])
          plt.show()
```

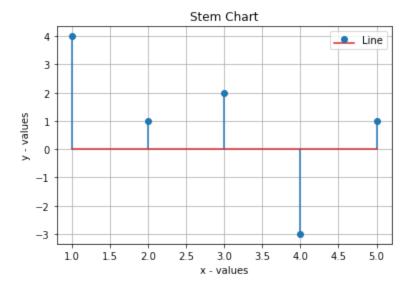


A Stem Plot

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
# data to display on plots
x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
y = [4, 1, 2, -3, 1]

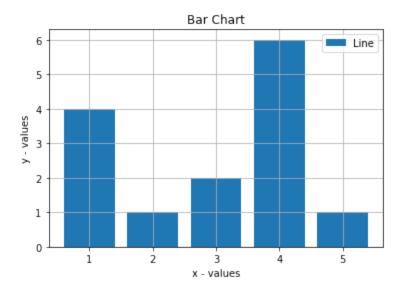
# This will plot a simple line chart
# with elements of x as x axis and y
# as y axis
plt.stem(x, y)
plt.grid()
plt.title("Stem Chart")
plt.xlabel('x - values')
plt.ylabel('y - values')
```

```
# Adding the Legends
plt.legend(["Line"])
plt.show()
```



A Bar Plot

```
In [3]:
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          # data to display on plots
          x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
          y = [4, 1, 2, 6, 1]
          # This will plot a simple line chart
          \# with elements of x as x axis and y
          # as y axis
          plt.bar(x, y)
          plt.grid()
          plt.title("Bar Chart")
          plt.xlabel('x - values')
          plt.ylabel('y - values')
          # Adding the Legends
          plt.legend(["Line"])
          plt.show()
```

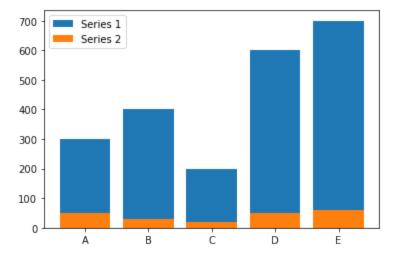


Multiple Data on Bar Plot (The incorrect method)

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

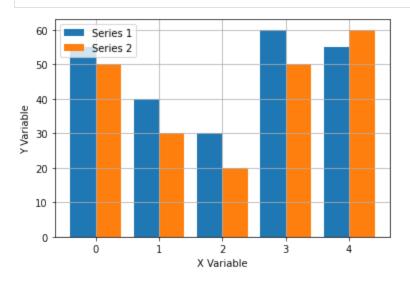
x = ['A','B','C','D','E']
y1 = [300,400,200,600,700]
y2 = [50,30,20,50,60]

plt.bar(x,y1) # Plot some data on the axes.
plt.bar(x,y2) # Plot some data on the axes.
plt.legend(['Series 1', 'Series 2'])
plt.show()
```



Multiple Data on Bar Plot (The correct method)

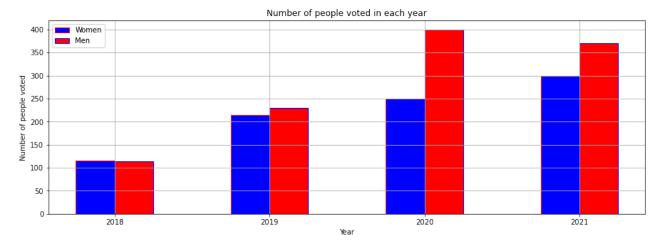
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In [5]:
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          import numpy as np
          x = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E']
          y1 = [55,40,30,60,55]
          y2 = [50,30,20,50,60]
          x_axis = np.arange(len(x))
          # plt.bar(x_axis-0.2,y1,0.4)
          # plt.bar(x_axis+0.2,y2,0.4)
          bar_width = 0.4
          plt.bar(x_axis-bar_width/2,y1,bar_width) # Plot some data on the axes.
          plt.bar(x_axis+bar_width/2,y2,bar_width) # Plot some data on the axes.
          plt.legend(['Series 1', 'Series 2'])
          plt.grid()
          plt.xlabel('X Variable')
          plt.ylabel('Y Variable')
          plt.show()
```



```
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("Number of people voted")
plt.title("Number of people voted in each year")

# plt.grid(linestyle='--')
plt.xticks(x_axis + width/2,['2018','2019','2020','2021'])
plt.legend()
plt.grid()

plt.show()
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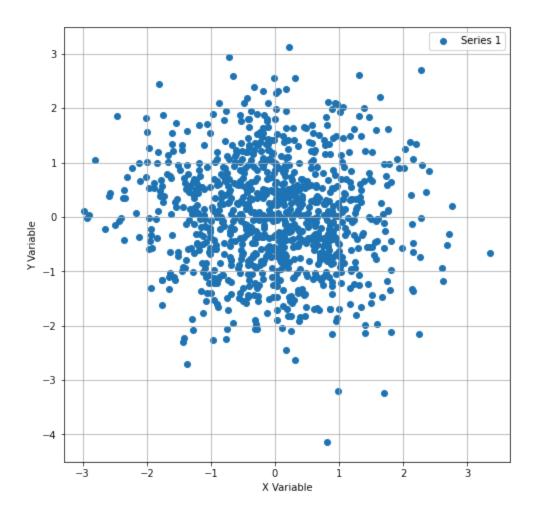
Scatter Plot

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

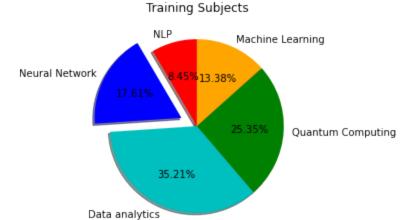
x = np.random.randn(1, 1000)
y = np.random.randn(1, 1000)

plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
plt.scatter(x,y) # Plot some data on the axes.
plt.legend(['Series 1', 'Series 2'])

plt.xlabel('X Variable')
plt.ylabel('Y Variable')
plt.grid()
plt.show()
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A Pie Chart



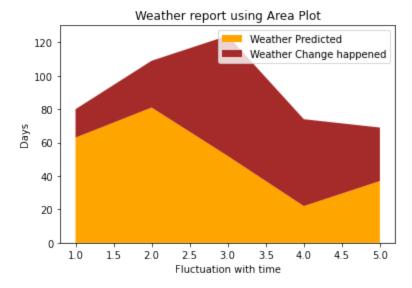
Area Plot

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

days = [1,2,3,4,5]
    age = [63, 81, 52, 22, 37]
    weight = [17, 28, 72, 52, 32]

plt.stackplot(days, age, weight, colors = ['orange', 'brown'])
    plt.xlabel('Fluctuation with time')
    plt.ylabel('Days')
    plt.title('Weather report using Area Plot')
    plt.legend(['Weather Predicted', 'Weather Change happened'])

# Print the chart
    plt.show()
```



Histogram Plot

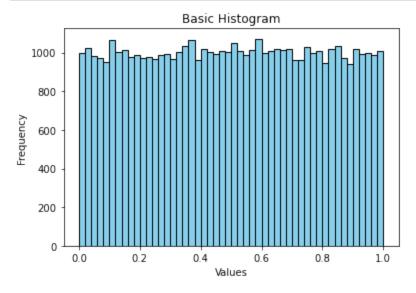
```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
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# Generate random data for the histogram
data = np.random.rand(50000)

# Plotting a basic histogram
plt.hist(data, bins=50, color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')

# Adding labels and title
plt.xlabel('Values')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.title('Basic Histogram')

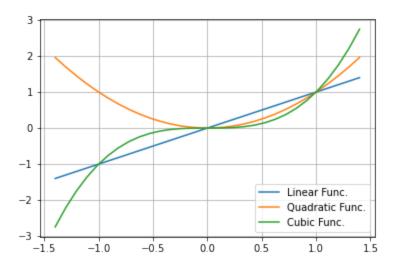
# Display the plot
plt.show()
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Line Styles, Colours

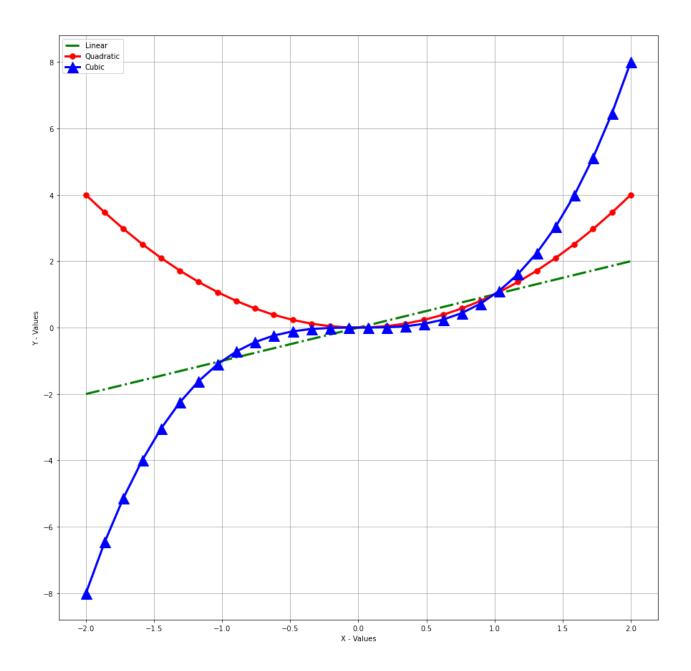
```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

x = np.linspace(-1.4, 1.4, 30)
plt.plot(x, x)
plt.plot(x, x**2)
plt.plot(x, x**3)
plt.legend(['Linear Func.', 'Quadratic Func.', 'Cubic Func.'])
plt.grid()
plt.show()
```



```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

x = np.linspace(-2, 2, 30)
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 15))
plt.plot(x, x, 'g-.', label = 'Linear', linewidth = 3, markersize=15)
plt.plot(x, x**2, 'r.-', label = 'Quadratic', linewidth = 3, markersize=15)
plt.plot(x, x**3, 'b^-', label = 'Cubic', linewidth = 3, markersize=15)
plt.xlabel('X - Values')
plt.ylabel('Y - Values')
plt.grid()
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



Subplots

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

x = np.linspace(-2, 2, 30)

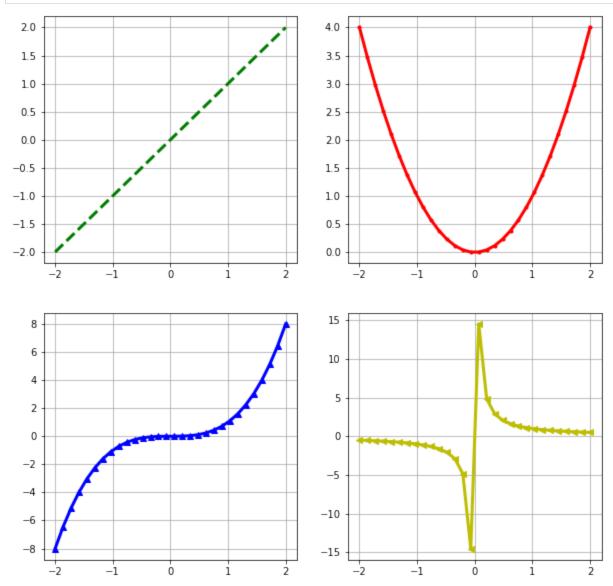
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 10))
plt.subplot(221)
plt.plot(x, x, 'g--', label = 'Linear', linewidth = 3)
plt.grid()

plt.subplot(2, 2, 2)
plt.plot(x, x**2, 'r.-', label = 'Quadratic', linewidth = 3)
plt.grid()

plt.subplot(2, 2, 3)
plt.plot(x, x**3, 'b^-', label = 'Cubic', linewidth = 3)
plt.grid()
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plt.subplot(2, 2, 4)
plt.plot(x, x**-1, 'y<-', label = 'Reciprocal', linewidth = 3)
plt.grid()

plt.show()</pre>
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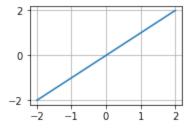
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

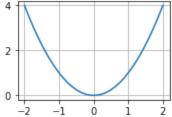
def plotCustom(x,y, plotNum, style, plotLabel):
    plt.subplot(2, 2, plotNum)
    plt.plot(x,y, 1, style, label = plotLabel)
    plt.grid()
    plt.show()

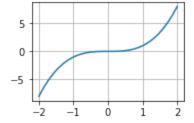
x = np.linspace(-2, 2, 30)

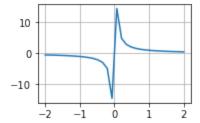
plotCustom(x, x, 1, 'g--', 'Linear')
    plotCustom(x, x**2, 2, 'g--', 'Quadratic')
```

```
plotCustom(x, x**3, 3, 'g--', 'Cubic')
plotCustom(x, x**-1, 4, 'g--', 'Inverse')
```









More Customizations

