

# Area Plots, Histograms, and Bar Plots

### Importing required libraries

```
In [27]:
         %matplotlib inline
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         import pandas as pd
         import numpy as np
```

### Loading data

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Note: All steps that are performed below are explain in detail in Tutorial
In [7]:
           df = pd.read excel(
                 https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBMDeveloperSkillsNetwork-DV0101EN-Skil'
                 sheet name='Canada by Citizenship',
                skiprows=range(20),
                 skipfooter=2)
           print('Data read into a pandas dataframe!')
           Data read into a pandas dataframe!
          # in pandas axis=0 represents rows (default) and axis=1 represents columns.
df.drop(['AREA','REG','DEV','Type','Coverage'], axis=1, inplace=True)
df.rename(columns={'OdName':'Country', 'AreaName':'Continent', 'RegName':'Region'}, inplace=True)
In [8]:
           df['Total'] = df.sum(axis=1)
           df.set_index('Country', inplace=True)
           C:\Users\Meer Moazzam\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_8116\3820691460.py:4: FutureWarning: Dropping of nuisance co lumns in DataFrame reductions (with 'numeric_only=None') is deprecated; in a future version this will raise Typ
           eError. Select only valid columns before calling the reduction.
             df['Total'] = df.sum(axis=1)
In [9]: df.head()
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          5 rows × 38 columns
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## Area Plots

In the last module, we created a line plot that visualized the top 5 countries that contribued the most immigrants to Canada from 1980 to 2013. With a little modification to the code, we can visualize this plot as a cumulative plot, also knows as a Stacked Line Plot or Area plot.

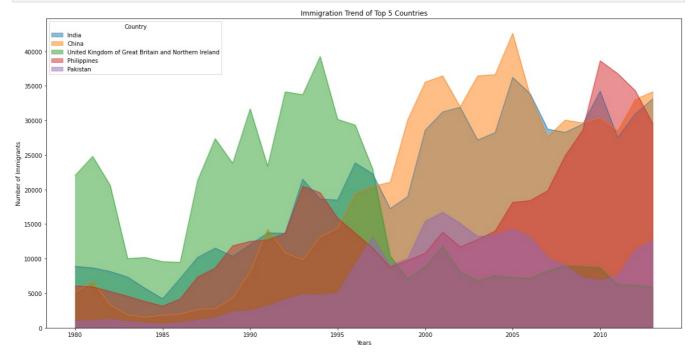
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In [28]: df.sort_values(['Total'], ascending=False, axis=0, inplace=True)
         # get the top 5 entries
         df top5 = df.head()
```

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years=list(range(1980,2014))
# transpose the dataframe
df_top5 = df_top5[years].transpose()

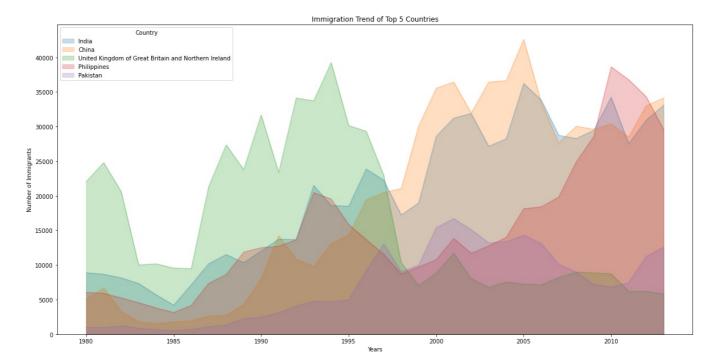
df_top5.head()
```

#### Out [28]: Country India China United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Philippines Pakistan

Area plots are stacked by default. And to produce a stacked area plot, each column must be either all positive or all negative values (any NaN, i.e. not a number, values will default to 0). To produce an unstacked plot, set parameter stacked to value False.



The unstacked plot has a default transparency (alpha value) at 0.5. We can modify this value by passing in the alpha parameter.



**Question**: Use the scripting layer to create a stacked area plot of the 5 countries that contributed the least to immigration to Canada **from** 1980 to 2013. Use a transparency value of 0.45.

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In [58]: ### type your answer here
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# Histograms

A histogram is a way of representing the *frequency* distribution of numeric dataset. The way it works is it partitions the x-axis into *bins*, assigns each data point in our dataset to a bin, and then counts the number of data points that have been assigned to each bin. So the y-axis is the frequency or the number of data points in each bin. Note that we can change the bin size and usually one needs to tweak it so that the distribution is displayed nicely.

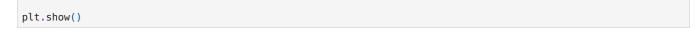
**Question:** What is the frequency distribution of the number (population) of new immigrants from the various countries to Canada in 2013?

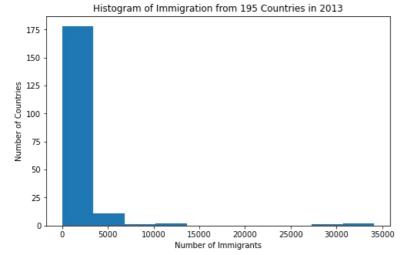
Before we proceed with creating the histogram plot, let's first examine the data split into intervals. To do this, we will us **Numpy**'s histrogram method to get the bin ranges and frequency counts as follows:

```
In [31]: # let's quickly view the 2013 data
         df[2013].head()
         Country
Out[31]:
                                                                  33087
         India
         China
                                                                  34129
         United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
                                                                   5827
         Philippines
                                                                  29544
         Pakistan
                                                                  12603
         Name: 2013, dtype: int64
         # np.histogram returns 2 values
In [32]:
         count, bin_edges = np.histogram(df[2013])
         print(count) # frequency count
         print(bin_edges) # bin ranges, default = 10 bins
                                0
                                    0
         [178
              11
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                                                21
              0.
                   3412.9 6825.8 10238.7 13651.6 17064.5 20477.4 23890.3 27303.2
          30716.1 34129. ]
```

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In [33]: df[2013].plot(kind='hist', figsize=(8, 5))
# add a title to the histogram
plt.title('Histogram of Immigration from 195 Countries in 2013')
# add y-label
plt.ylabel('Number of Countries')
# add x-label
plt.xlabel('Number of Immigrants')
```

We can easily graph this distribution by passing kind=hist to plot().





In the above plot, the x-axis represents the population range of immigrants in intervals of 3412.9. The y-axis represents the number of countries that contributed to the aforementioned population.

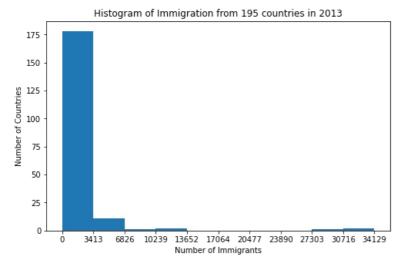
Notice that the x-axis labels do not match with the bin size. This can be fixed by passing in a xticks keyword that contains the list of the bin sizes, as follows:

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In [35]: # 'bin_edges' is a list of bin intervals
    count, bin_edges = np.histogram(df[2013])

df[2013].plot(kind='hist', figsize=(8, 5), xticks=bin_edges)

plt.title('Histogram of Immigration from 195 countries in 2013') # add a title to the histogram
    plt.ylabel('Number of Countries') # add y-label
    plt.xlabel('Number of Immigrants') # add x-label

plt.show()
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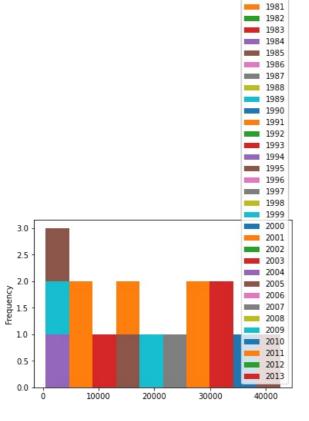


We can also plot multiple histograms on the same plot. For example, let's try to answer the following questions using a histogram.

Question: What is the immigration distribution for Pakistan, China, and India for years 1980 - 2013?

```
In [38]: # let's quickly view the dataset
          df.loc[['Pakistan', 'China', 'India'], years]
                   1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986
Out[38]:
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          3 rows × 34 columns
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In [39]: df.loc[['Pakistan', 'China', 'India'], years].plot.hist()
Out[39]: <AxesSubplot:ylabel='Frequency'>
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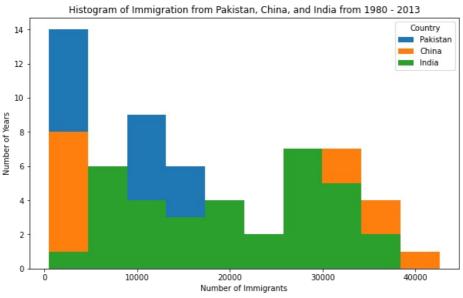
That does not look right!

Don't worry, you'll often come across situations like this when creating plots. The solution often lies in how the underlying dataset is structured.

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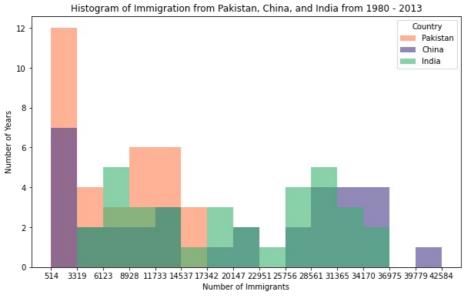
Instead of plotting the population frequency distribution of the population for the 3 countries, *pandas* instead plotted the population frequency distribution for the years.

This can be easily fixed by first transposing the dataset, and then plotting as shown below.

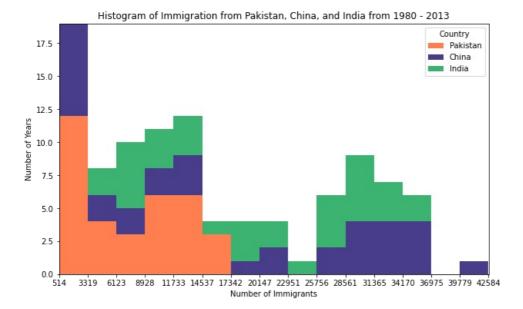


Let's make a few modifications to improve the impact and aesthetics of the previous plot:

- increase the bin size to 15 by passing in bins parameter;
- set transparency to 60% by passing in alpha parameter;
- label the x-axis by passing in x-label parameter;
- change the colors of the plots by passing in color parameter.



If we do not want the plots to overlap each other, we can stack them using the stacked parameter. Let's also adjust the min and max x-axis labels to remove the extra gap on the edges of the plot. We can pass a tuple (min,max) using the xlim parameter, as show below.



**Question**: Use the scripting layer to display the immigration distribution for Greece, Albania, and Bulgaria for years 1980 - 2013? Use an overlapping plot with 15 bins and a transparency value of 0.35.

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In [58]: ### type your answer here
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# Bar Charts (Dataframe)

A bar plot is a way of representing data where the *length* of the bars represents the magnitude/size of the feature/variable. Bar graphs usually represent numerical and categorical variables grouped in intervals.

To create a bar plot, we can pass one of two arguments via kind parameter in plot():

- kind=bar creates a vertical bar plot
- kind=barh creates a horizontal bar plot

#### Vertical bar plot

In vertical bar graphs, the x-axis is used for labelling, and the length of bars on the y-axis corresponds to the magnitude of the variable being measured. Vertical bar graphs are particularly useful in analyzing time series data. One disadvantage is that they lack space for text labelling at the foot of each bar.

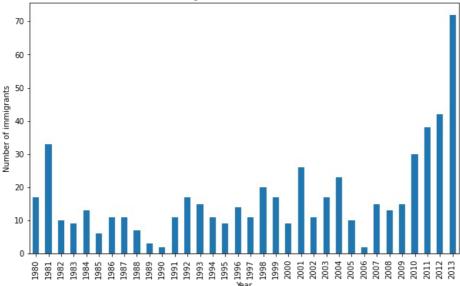
#### Let's start off by analyzing the effect of Iceland's Financial Crisis:

The 2008 - 2011 Icelandic Financial Crisis was a major economic and political event in Iceland. Relative to the size of its economy, Iceland's systemic banking collapse was the largest experienced by any country in economic history. The crisis led to a severe economic depression in 2008 - 2011 and significant political unrest.

Question: Let's compare the number of Icelandic immigrants (country = 'Iceland') to Canada from year 1980 to 2013.

```
# step 1: get the data
         df iceland = df.loc['Iceland', years]
         df_iceland.head()
         1980
                 17
         1981
                 33
         1982
                 10
                  9
         1983
                 13
         1984
         Name: Iceland, dtype: object
         # step 2: plot data
In [52]:
         df_iceland.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(10, 6))
         plt.xlabel('Year') # add to x-label to the plot
         plt.ylabel('Number of immigrants') # add y-label to the plot
         plt.title('Icelandic immigrants to Canada from 1980 to 2013') # add title to the plot
         plt.show()
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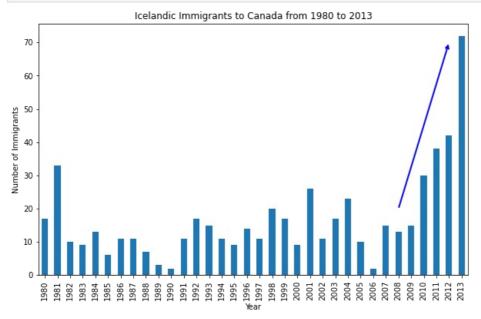




The bar plot above shows the total number of immigrants broken down by each year. We can clearly see the impact of the financial crisis; the number of immigrants to Canada started increasing rapidly after 2008.

Let's annotate this on the plot using the annotate method of the **scripting layer** or the **pyplot interface**. We will pass in the following parameters:

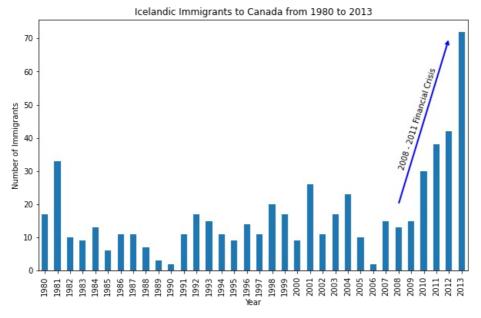
- s : str, the text of annotation.
- xy: Tuple specifying the (x,y) point to annotate (in this case, end point of arrow).
- xytext : Tuple specifying the (x,y) point to place the text (in this case, start point of arrow).
- xycoords: The coordinate system that xy is given in 'data' uses the coordinate system of the object being annotated (default).
- arrowprops: Takes a dictionary of properties to draw the arrow:
  - arrowstyle: Specifies the arrow style, '->' is standard arrow.
  - connectionstyle : Specifies the connection type. arc3 is a straight line.
  - color: Specifies color of arrow.
  - lw : Specifies the line width.



Let's also annotate a text to go over the arrow. We will pass in the following additional parameters:

- rotation : rotation angle of text in degrees (counter clockwise)
- va : vertical alignment of text ['center' | 'top' | 'bottom' | 'baseline']
- ha: horizontal alignment of text ['center' | 'right' | 'left']

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In [55]: df iceland.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(10, 6), rot=90)
            plt.xlabel('Year')
            plt.ylabel('Number of Immigrants')
            plt.title('Icelandic Immigrants to Canada from 1980 to 2013')
            # Annotate arrow
                                  # s: str. will leave it blank for no text
            plt.annotate('',
                            xy=(32, 70), # place head of the arrow at point (year 2012 , pop 70)
xytext=(28, 20), # place base of the arrow at point (year 2008 , pop 20)
xycoords='data', # will use the coordinate system of the object being annotated
                             arrowprops=dict(arrowstyle='->', connectionstyle='arc3', color='blue', lw=2)
            # Annotate Text
            plt.annotate('2008 - 2011 Financial Crisis', # text to display
                             xy=(28, 30), # start the text at at point (year 2008 , pop 30)
                             rotation=72.5,
                                                # based on trial and error to match the arrow
                             va='bottom', # want the text to be vertically 'bottom' aligned
ha='left', # want the text to be horizontally 'left' algned.
            plt.show()
```



### Horizontal Bar Plot

Sometimes it is more practical to represent the data horizontally, especially if you need more room for labelling the bars. In horizontal bar graphs, the y-axis is used for labelling, and the length of bars on the x-axis corresponds to the magnitude of the variable being measured. As you will see, there is more room on the y-axis to label categorical variables.

**Question:** Using the scripting later and the df\_can dataset, create a *horizontal* bar plot showing the *total* number of immigrants to Canada from the top 15 countries, for the period 1980 - 2013. Label each country with the total immigrant count.

In [58]: ### type your answer here

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### Thank you

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