

Basic Matplotlib exercises

The following small steps can be done in jupyter notebook (if you encounter problems with a strange login screen in your browser start the notebook as follows:

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jupyter notebook --NotebookApp.token='' --NotebookApp.password=''
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1. Plot a sine and a cosine in one plot. Take the range 0 to 2 pi. Plot also a legend in the plot. Experiment with the arguments.
`plt.legend(frameon=False, loc=5)`
Use different colors using "ro" for red dots "bx" for blue x.
Use a label otherwise the legend will not contain much information.
2. Create a subplot using `plt.subplot(211)`
create a x vector containing 100 points between 0 and 5
plot $y = x^3 - 4x$
and plot $y = \exp(-x^2)$
use a log scale by setting:
`ax = plt.gca()`
`ax.set_yscale('log')`
Now add the following:
`f = plt.gcf() #get the figure and set size`
`f.setsize_inches(6,8)`
`plt.tight_layout()`
3. Now let's add some error bars to our plots. We start again.
Use the following as a start:
`N = 40`
`#create a vector x of N points between 0 and 100.0`
`sigma = 25.0 * np.ones(N) #look up what this is doing!!`
`r = np.random.randn(N)`
`y = 10.0 + 3.0*x + sigma*r`
plot the result: `plt.errorbar(x,y, yerr=sigma, fmt='o')`
4. surface plot:
create a vector theta between -4 pi and 4 pi, 100 points
and vector z between -2 and 2 of also 100 points
`r = z**2 + 1`
create 2 vector x and y which use the theta and r to get cartesian points instead of the polar representation.
add:
`from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D`
`fig = plt.figure()`

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ax = fig.gca('projection = '3d')  
ax.plot(x,yz)
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we should see a nice contour plot.

5. See also the meshgrid exercise