Matplotlib

This powerful library of <u>matplotlib</u> creates almost every type of <u>data</u> <u>visualization</u> with simple line plots to complex 2D and <u>3D graphs</u>. It is quite famous for data exploration and presentation purposes, providing wide customization scope on colors, labels, and layouts. Whether you are a beginner or pro, Matplotlib makes data visualization intuitive and efficient.

Installing Matplotlib

pip install matplotlib

Importing Matplotlib

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

Basic	Basic Plots		
Command	Execution		
plt.plot(x, y)	Line plot connects the data points with continuous Techniques.		
plt.scatter(x, y)	Scatter plot display individual data points		
plt.bar(x,height)	Bar plot shows the distribution of data for a categorical variable.		
plt.barh(y, width)	A horizontal bar plot is a version of the bar plot with the bars going horizontally instead of vertically.		
plt.hist(data, bins=10)	Histogram useful for understanding frequency distribution in numerical data and picking up patterns such as skewness, outliers, or gaps.		
plt.boxplot(data)	A box plot is another way of visual summarization of the data distribution, showing median and quartiles, as well as outliers.		
plt.pie(sizes, labels=labels, autopct='%1.1f%%')	A pie chart is a circular statistical graphic used to illustrate numerical data as slices of the whole.		

Styles and Themes		
Command	Execution	
plt.style.use('style_name')	Changing the style of your plots in Matplotlib really helps make them much better looking and more readable.	

Saving and Showing		
Command	Execution	
plt.show()	In order to display a plot, use <u>`plt.show()`</u> following your plotting call.	
plt.savefig('filename.png', dpi=300)	You can save a plot to a file using the function plt.savefig().	

Customization		
Command	Execution	
plt.title("Title Here")	Customizing titles in Matplotlib makes your visualizations clearer and aesthetically pleasing.	
plt.xlabel("X-axis Label") plt.ylabel("Y-axis Label")	Customizing axis labels in Matplotlib helps in making your plots more readable and presentable	
plt.grid(True)	Matplotlib's use of grids can make plots easier to read.	
plt.style.use('seaborn-darkgrid')	Matplotlib offers several styles to alter the look of your plots.	
plt.xlim(min, max) plt.ylim(min, max)	You can limit the range of your x-axis and y-axis in Matplotlib to concentrate only on a portion of your data.	
plt.legend(["Label1", "Label2"])	Legends help in plotting interpretation because they explain each element presented to view in the graph.	

Creating Subplots		
Command	Execution	
plt.subplot(rows, columns, index)	The plt.subplot(nrows, ncols, index) function in matplotlib creates a grid of subplots.	
ig, axs = plt.subplots(2, 2) axs[0, 0].plot(x, y) axs[0, 1].bar(categories, values)	We use the <u>`plt.subplots()`</u> function for creating multiple subplots. It returns a figure and an array of axes.	

Customizing Subplots		
Command	Execution	
plt.suptitle('Main Title for All Subplots')	For writing a general title that applies to all subplots of a figure using Matplotlib, you may use the function plt.suptitle().	
plt.tight_layout()	Use the plt.subplots_adjust() function to adjust the layout of subplots in Matplotlib.	

Advanced Features	
Command	Execution
plt.annotate('Text', xy=(x, y), xytext=(x+1, y+1), arrowprops=dict(facecolor='black', arrowstyle='->'))	Annotations in Matplotlib are used to add text or markers that explain something about a point in a plot.
plt.yscale('log')	Logarithmic scales are very important in Matplotlib for plotting data that ranges over several orders of magnitude.
rom mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D ax = plt.figure().add_subplot(projection='3d') ax.scatter(x, y, z)	Matplotlib is used for performing 3D plotting and visualizes data in three dimensions.

Matplotlib Cheat sheet

A Matplotlib cheat sheet is a concise guide that summarizes the key functions, commands, and techniques for creating visualizations using Matplotlib. It's a handy reference for beginners and experienced users alike helping them quickly recall how to generate and customize plots, charts and graphs efficiently.

Load the Matplotlib Libraries

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import numpy as np

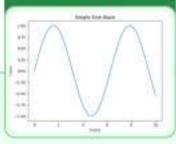
Basic plots

Line plots

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # Sample data x = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5] y = [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25]

- # Create a simple line plot plt.plot(x, y, label="y = x^2")
- # Add title and labels plt.title("Simple Line Plot") plt.xlabel("X-axis") plt.ylabel("Y-axis")
- # Display the plot plt.legend() plt.show()

Output

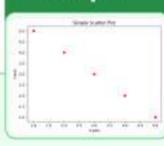


Scatter plot

Sample data x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] y = [5, 4, 3, 2, 1]

- # Create a scatter plot plt.scatter(x, y, color='red')
- # Add title and labels plt.title("Simple Scatter Plot") plt.xlabel("X-axis") plt.ylabel("Y-axis")
- # Display the plot plt.show()

Output



Bar plot

Categories and values categories = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D'] values = [3, 7, 5, 8]

- # Create a bar plot plt.bar(categories,values, color='green')
- # Add title and labels plt.title("Simple Bar Plot") plt.xlabel("Categories") plt.ylabel("Values")
- # Display the plot plt.show()

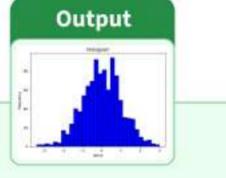
Output



Histogram

import numpy as np

- # Generate random data data=np.random.randn(1000)
- # Create a histogram plt.hist(data,bins=30,color='blue', edgecolor='black')
- # Add title and labels plt.title("Histogram") plt.xlabel("Value") plt.ylabel("Frequency")
- # Display the plot plt.show()

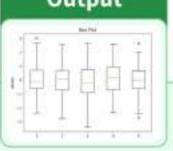


Box Plot

Sample data data= [np.random.normal(0,1, 100) for _ in range(5)]

- # Create a box plot plt.boxplot(data)
- # Add title and labels plt.title("Box Plot") plt.ylabel("Values")
- # Display the plot plt.show()

Output



Pie chart

- # Data for pie chart labels = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D'] sizes = [15, 30, 45, 10]
- # Create a pie chart plt.pie(sizes, labels=labels, autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=140)
- # Add title plt.title("Pie Chart")
- # Display the plot plt.show()

Output



Customizing Plots

Sample data x = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

y = [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25]

marker='o', markersize=8)

- # Create a customized plot plt.plot(x, y, linestyle='-', color='purple',
- # Customize title and labels
 plt.title("Customized Plot", fontsize=14,
 color='orange')
 plt.xlabel("X-axis", fontsize=12)
 plt.ylabel("Y-axis", fontsize=12)
- # Display grid plt.grid(True)
- # Display the plot plt.show()

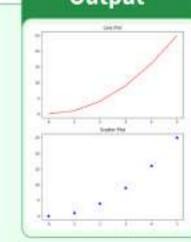
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Subplots

- # Create subplots fig, axs = plt.subplots(2, 1, figsize=(6, 8))
- # Plot on the first subplot axs[0].plot(x, y, 'r-') axs[0].set_title("Line Plot")
- # Plot on the second subplot axs[1].scatter(x, y, color='blue') axs[1].set_title("Scatter Plot")
- # Display the plots plt.tight_layout() plt.show()

Output



Customized Grid and Axes

- # Sample data
- x = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]y = [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
- # Create plot plt.plot(x, y)
- # Add grid plt.grid(True, which='both', axis='both', linestyle=':', color='gray')
- # Customize axes limits plt.xlim(0,5) plt.ylim(0,30)
- # Add title and labels plt.title("Plot with Grid and Customized Axes")

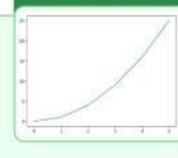
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- plt.xlabel("X-axis") plt.ylabel("Y-axis")
- # Display the plot plt.show()

Saving plot

- # Sample data x = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5] y = [0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
- # Create plot plt.plot(x, y)
- # Save the plot plt.savefig('plot.png')
- # Display the plot plt.show()

Output



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