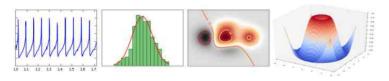
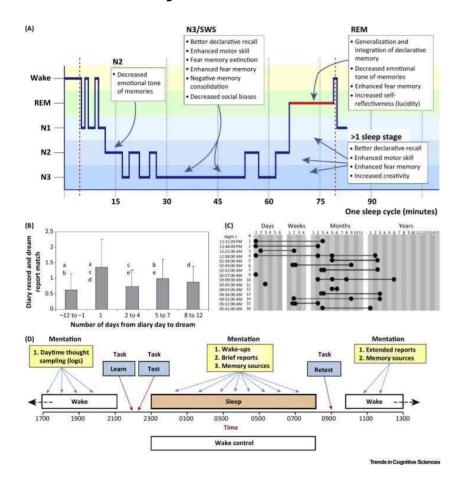
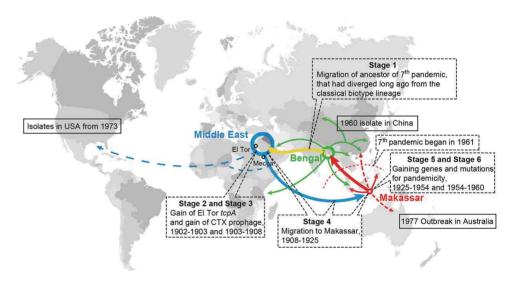
Let's do something useful for a change

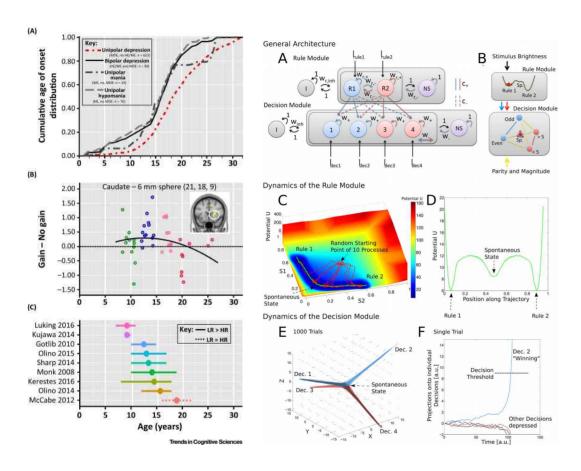


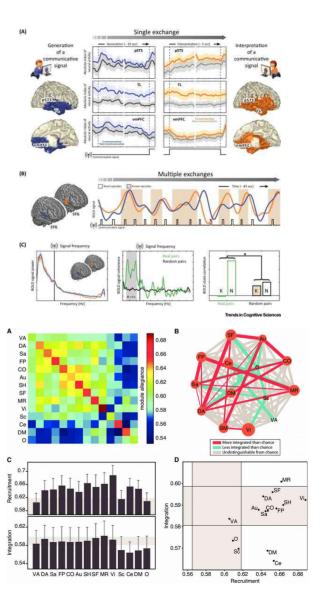
- Programming plots instead of making them in excel, SPSS,...
 - Write a program that constructs a plot step by step
- Why?
 - Flexibility: scientific plotting has moved beyond single line graphs
 - Exploration and on-line visualization
 - Data might change
 - Your ideas might change
 - Consistency: define a style and use in all plots
 - Quality there is no substitute for a good plot

Flexibility

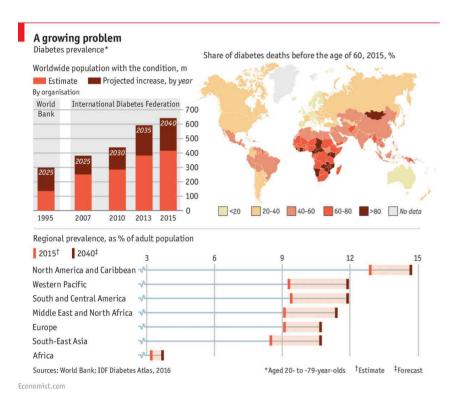


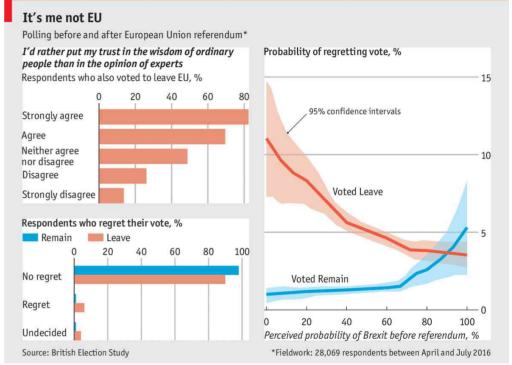






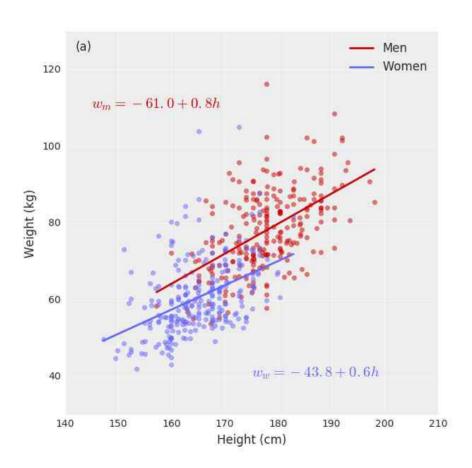
But it's not just science journals

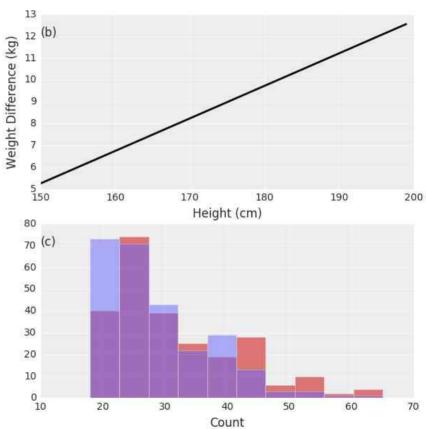




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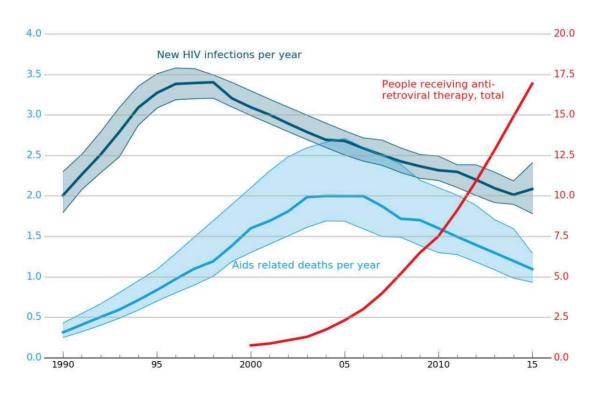
Example 1





Example 2

Keeping the pressure up



Typical work flow

- Enter or Read in the data
- Plot it quick and dirty
- Spend a lot of time refining, tuning and polishing the plot
 - Change aspect ratio, choose colors, line styles, add titles, labels, annotations
- Think you're done
- Refine some more
- Enjoy the work of art you've created
- Mock excel and spss graphs



- Pyplot is the (sub)module that contains most plotting commands
- Documentation:
 - Go to the matplotlib website
 - Go to pyplot: https://tinyurl.com/y8xslmv6
 - Go over the **scatter** command

scatter	Make a scatter plot of x vs y Marker size is scaled by s and marker color is mapped to c Parameters



X and Y are required arguments

All the others are optional and their default value is listed

not be a single numeric RGB or RGBA sequence because that is indistinguishable from an array of values to be colormapped, c can be a 2-D array in which the rows are RGB or RGBA, however, including the case of a single row to specify the same color for all points. marker: MarkerStyle, optional, default: 'o' See markers for more information on the different styles of markers scatter supports, marker can be either an instance of the class or the text shorthand for a particular marker cmap : Colormap, optional, default: None A Colormap Instance or registered name, cmap is only used if c is an array of floats. If None, defaults to ro image.cmap. norm: Normalize, optional, default: None A Norma Lize instance is used to scale luminance data to 0, 1, norm is only used if c is an array of floats. If None, use the default normalize(). vmin, vmax : scalar, optional, default: None vmin and vmax are used in conjunction with norm to normalize luminance data. If either are None, the min and max of the color array is used. Note if you pass a norm instance, your settings for vmin and vmax will be ignored. alpha: scalar, optional, default: None The alpha blending value, between 0 (transparent) and 1 (opaque)

linewidths: scalar or array like, optional, default: None

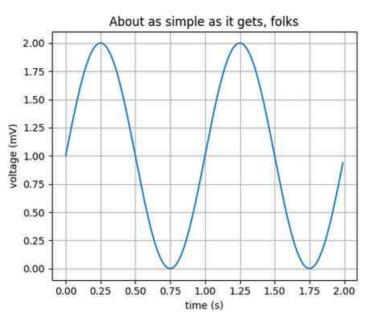
If None, defaults to (lines.linewidth,),



- Gallery: good source of examples
 - Go to the matplotlib website
 - Go to the gallery:
 - simple_plot

pylab_examples example code: simple_plot.py

(Source code, png, pdf)



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

t = np.arange(0.0, 2.0, 0.01)
s = 1 + np.sin(2*np.pi*t)
plt.plot(t, s)

plt.xlabel('time (s)')
plt.ylabel('voltage (mV)')
plt.title('About as simple as it gets, folks')
plt.grid(True)
plt.savefig("test.png")
plt.show()
```

seaborn

- https://seaborn.pydata.org/index.html
- Built on top of matplotlib

Other plotting packages: bokeh

- New plot types
- Interactivity
- Large data

