



INTRODUCTION TO MATPLOTLIB

Introduction to Data Visualization with Matplotlib

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Data visualization

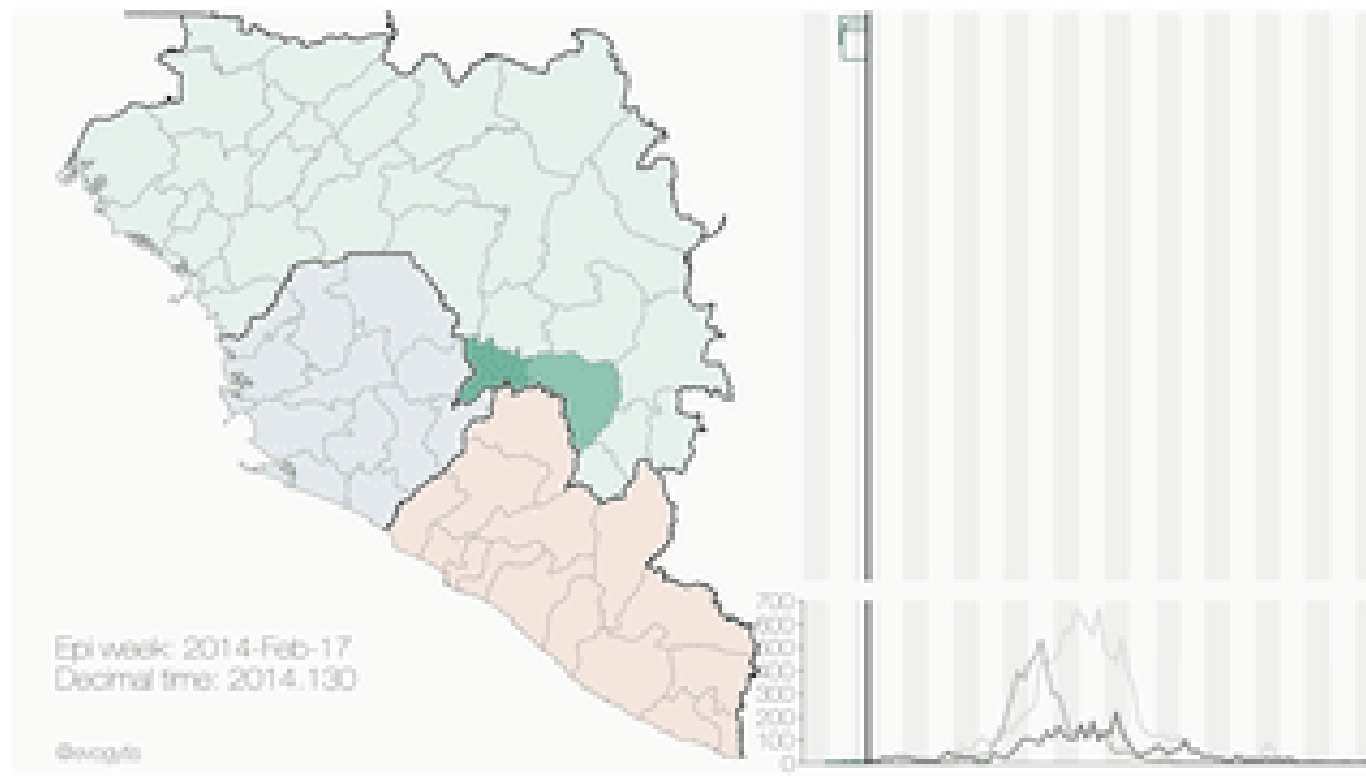
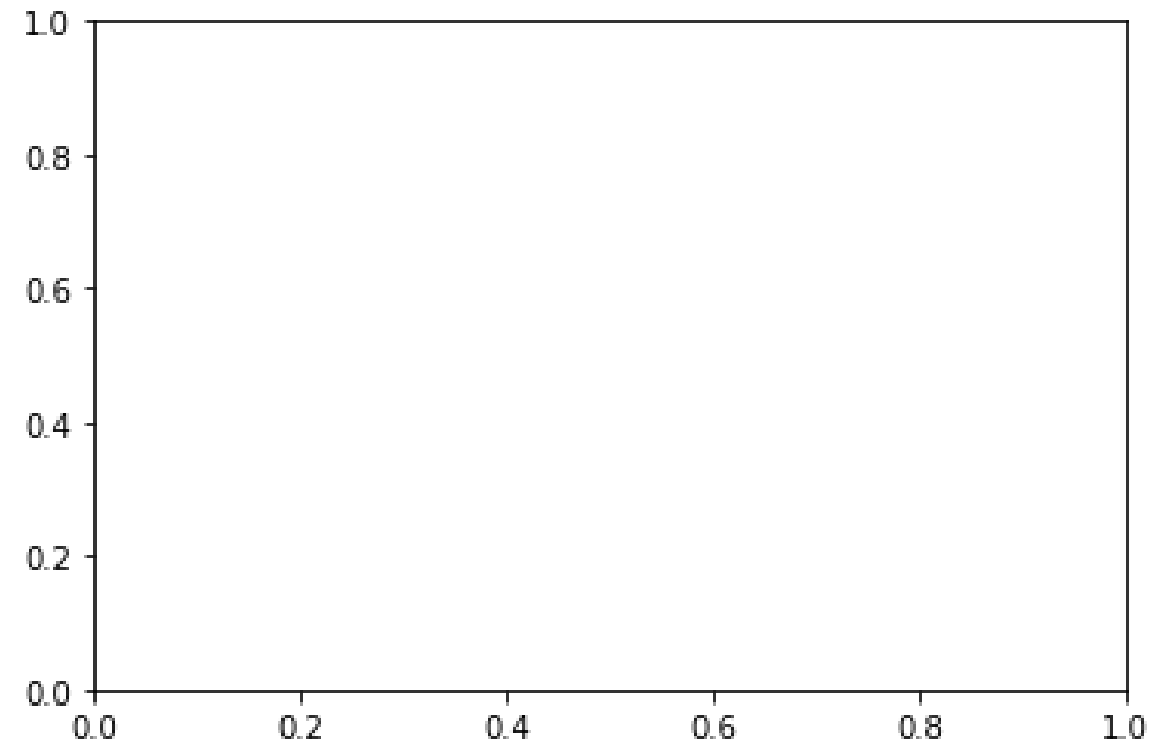


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Introducing the pyplot interface

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
  
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
  
plt.show()
```



Adding data to axes

```
seattle_weather["MONTH"]
```

DATE

1	Jan
2	Feb
3	Mar
4	Apr
5	May
6	Jun
7	Jul
8	Aug
9	Sep
10	Oct
11	Nov
12	Dec

Name: MONTH, dtype: object

```
seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"]
```

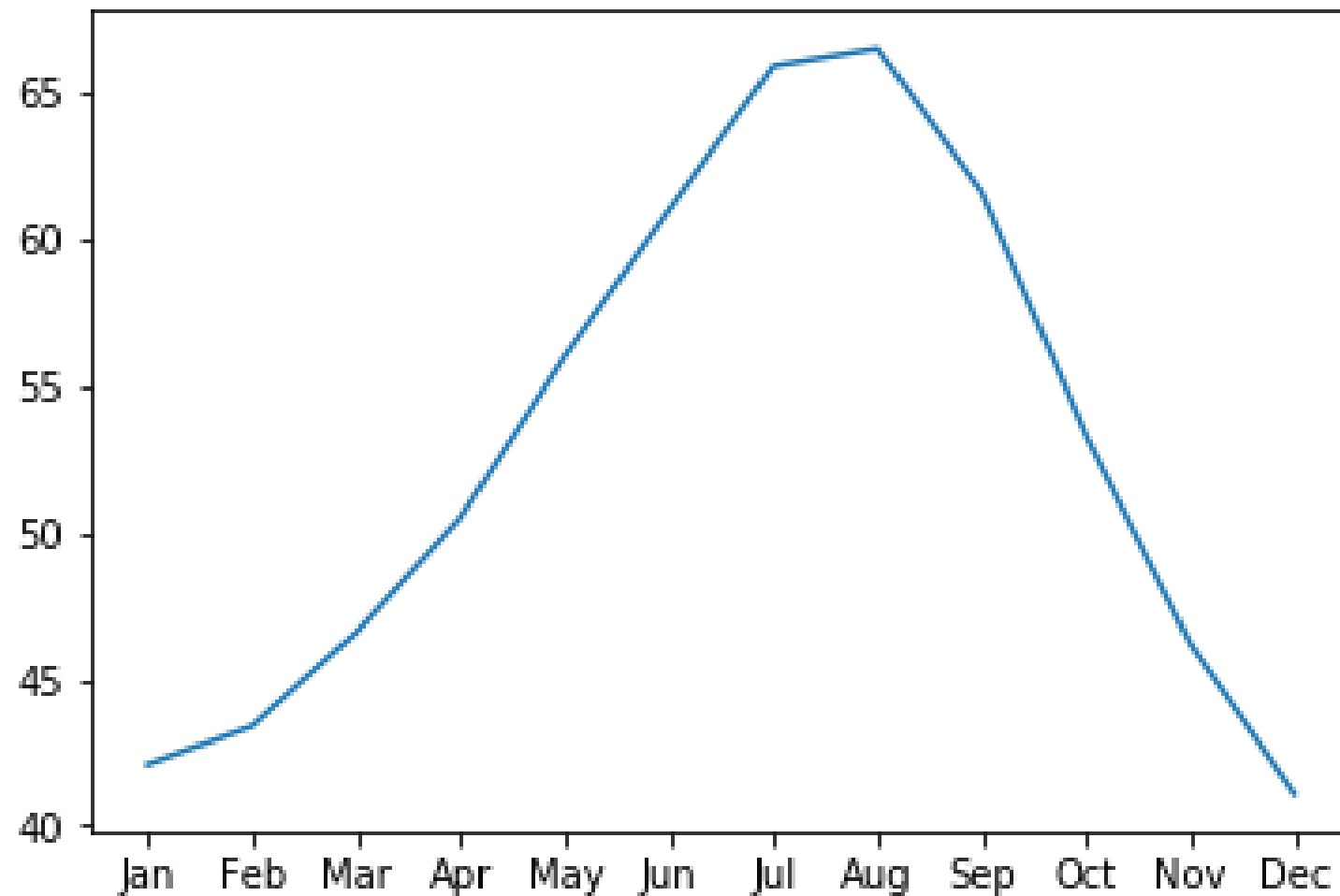
1	42.1
2	43.4
3	46.6
4	50.5
5	56.0
6	61.0
7	65.9
8	66.5
9	61.6
10	53.3
11	46.2
12	41.1

Name: MLY-TAVG-NORMAL, dtype: float64



Adding data to axes

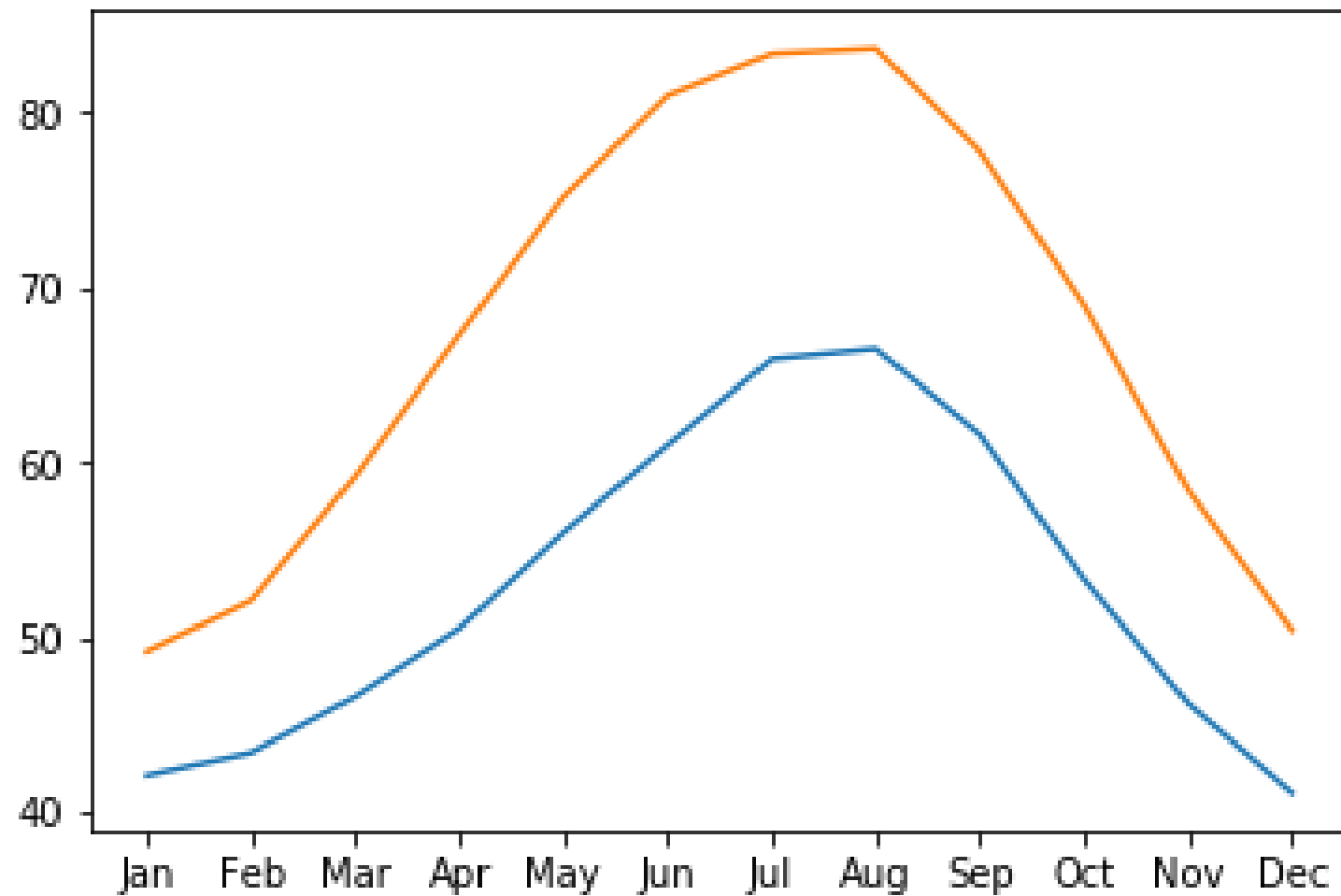
```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])\nplt.show()
```





Adding more data

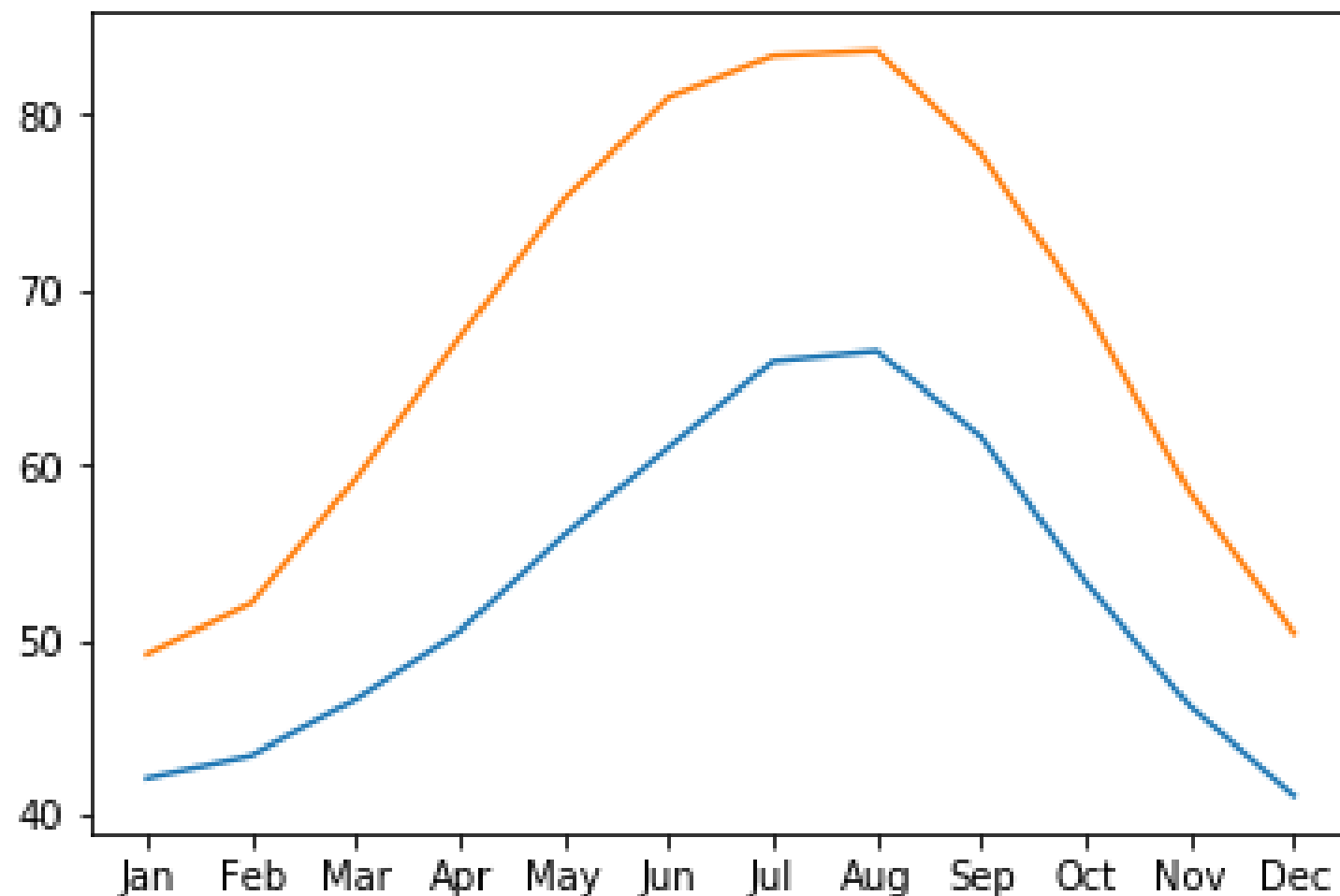
```
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])\nplt.show()
```





Putting it all together

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
plt.show()
```





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Practice making a figure!



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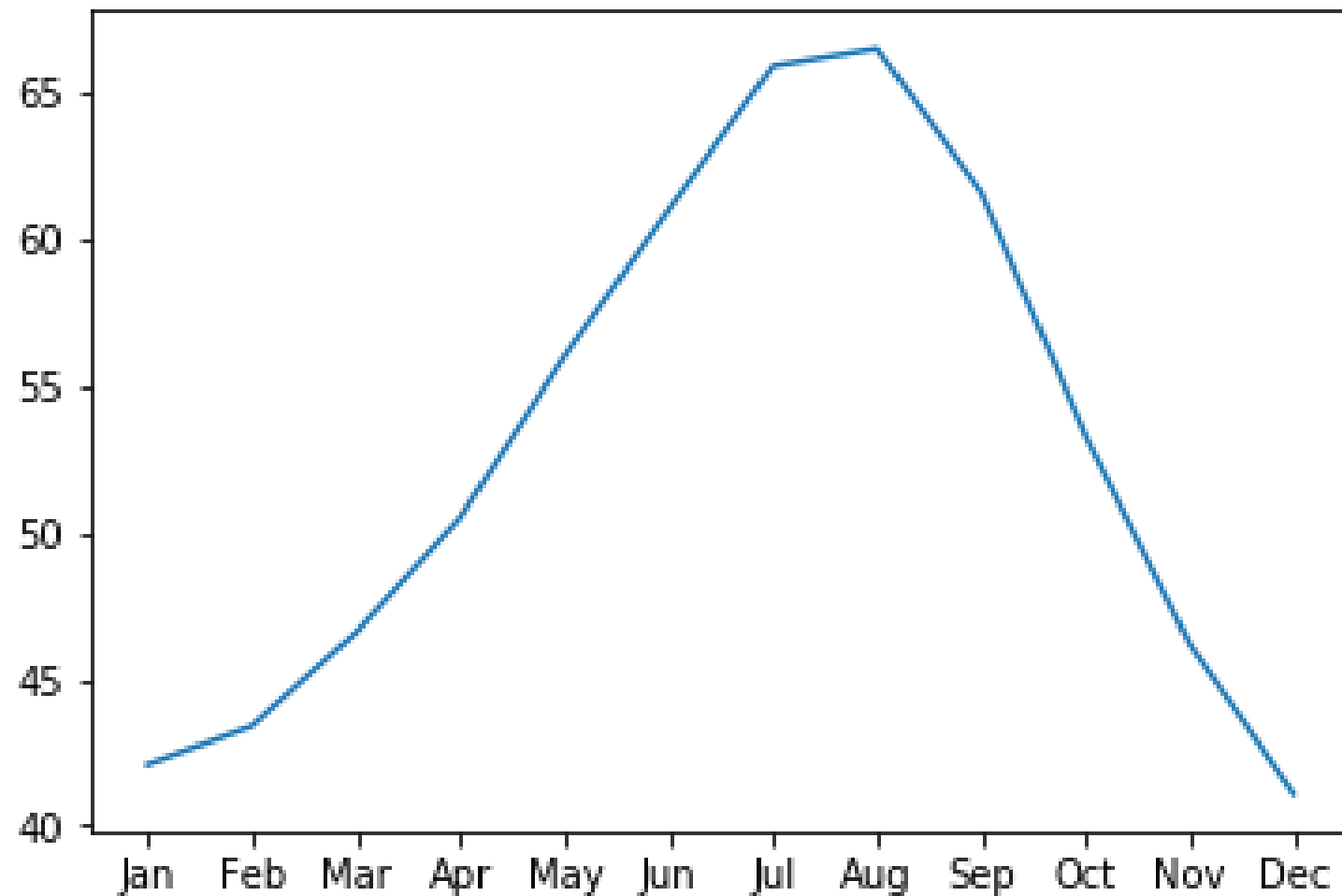
Customizing your plots

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Customizing data appearance

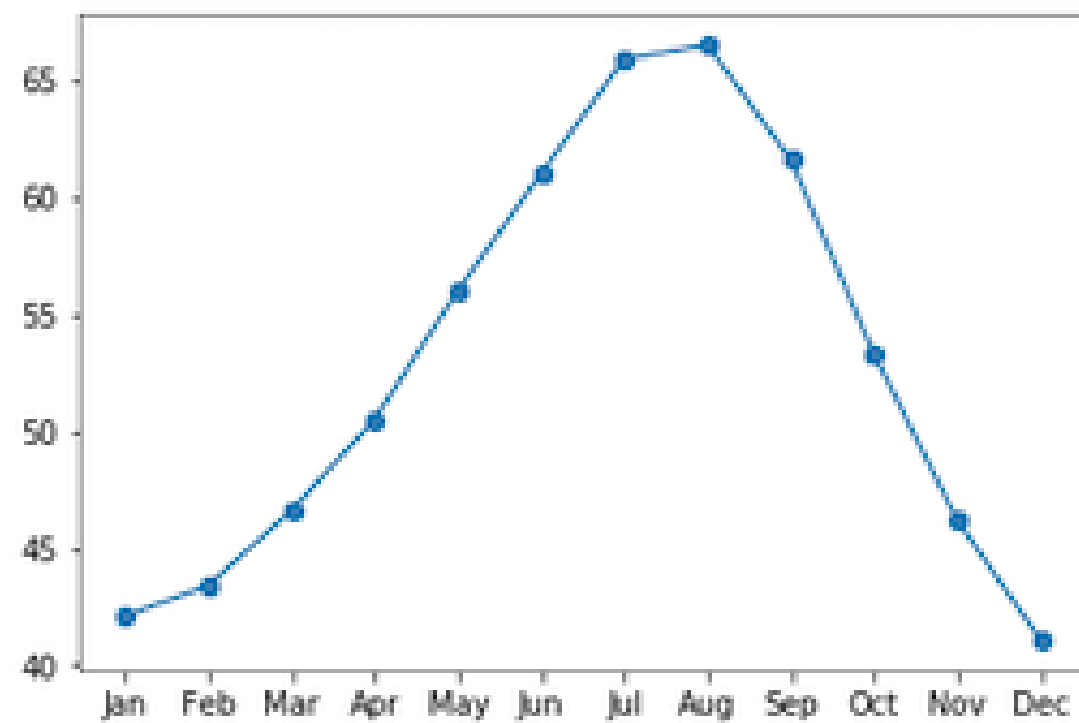
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ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"])\nplt.show()
```





Adding markers

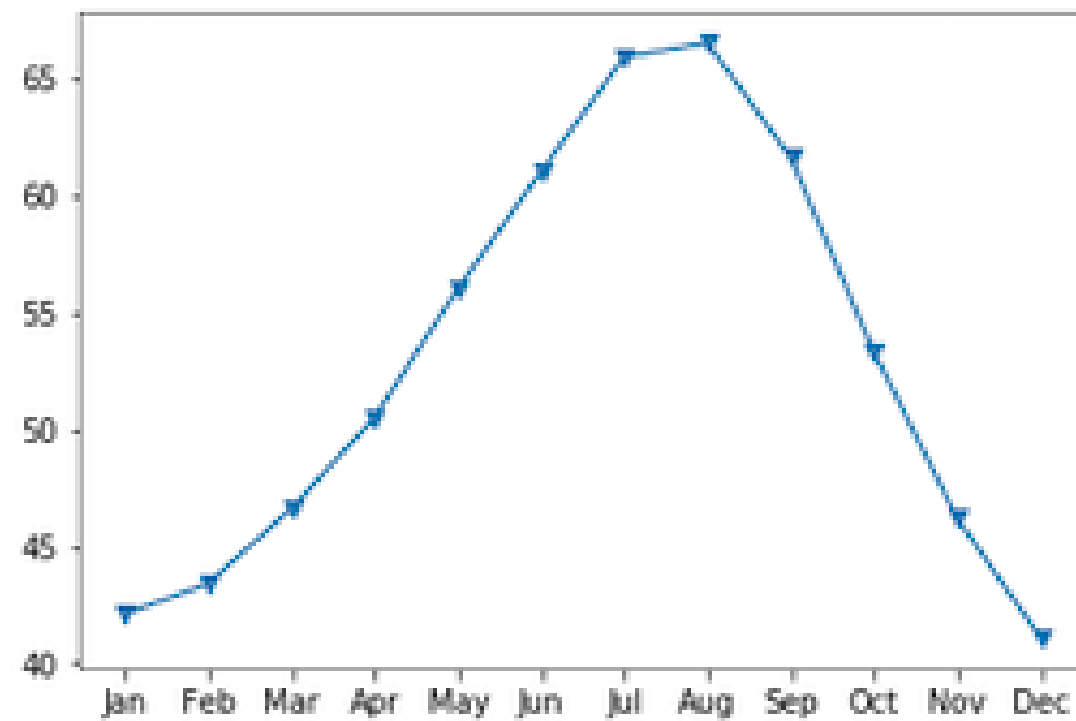
```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],  
        marker="o")  
plt.show()
```





Choosing markers

```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],  
        marker="v")  
plt.show()
```

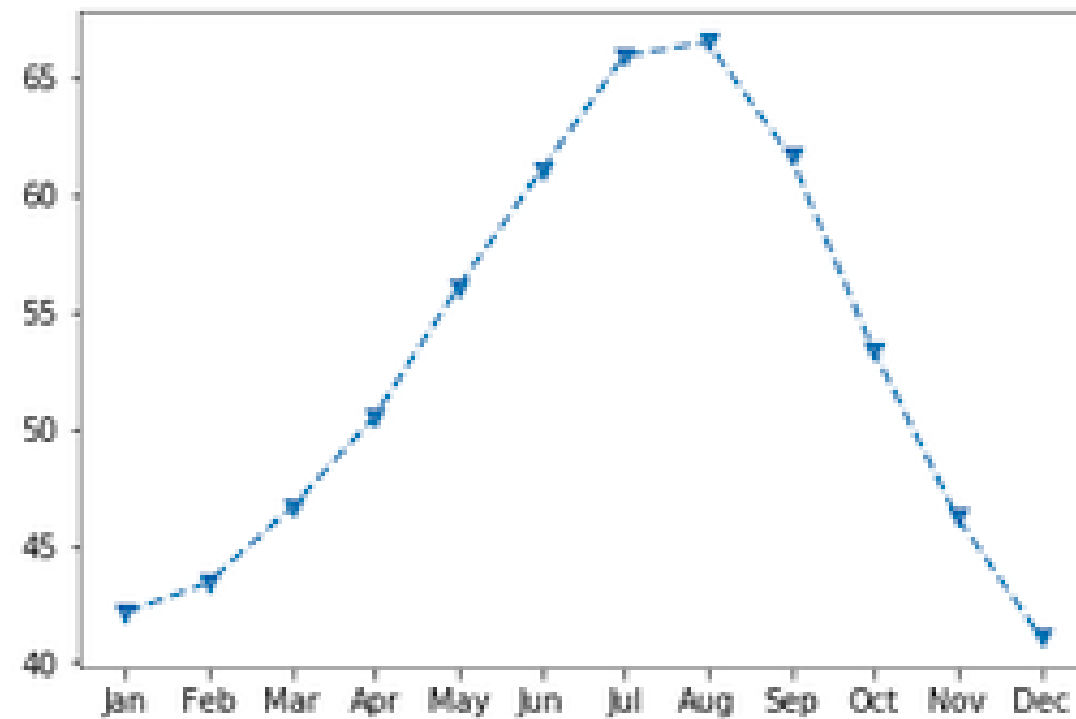


https://matplotlib.org/api/markers_api.html



Setting the linestyle

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"],
        marker="v", linestyle="--")
plt.show()
```

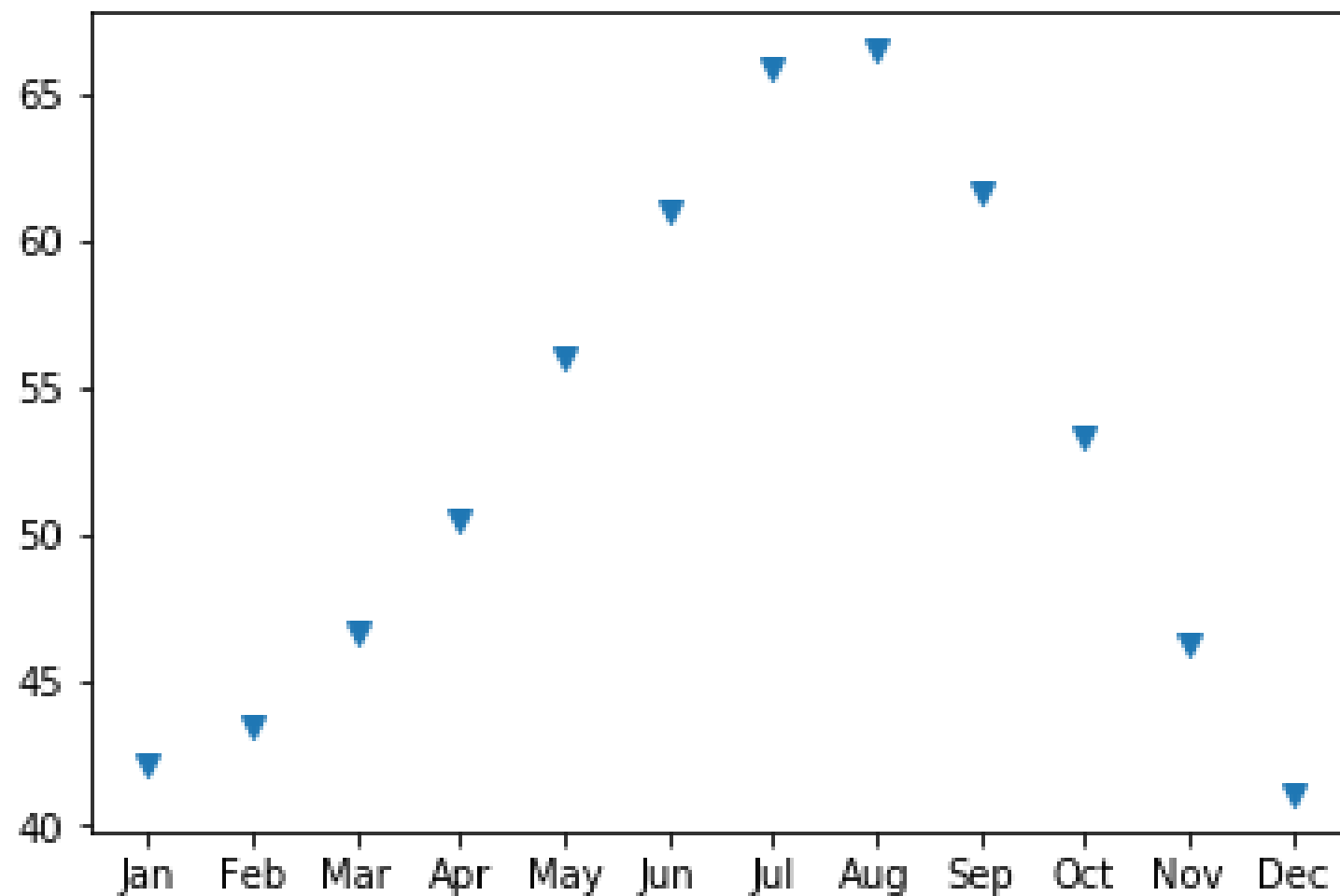


https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines_bars_and_markers/line_styles_reference.html



Eliminating lines with linestyle

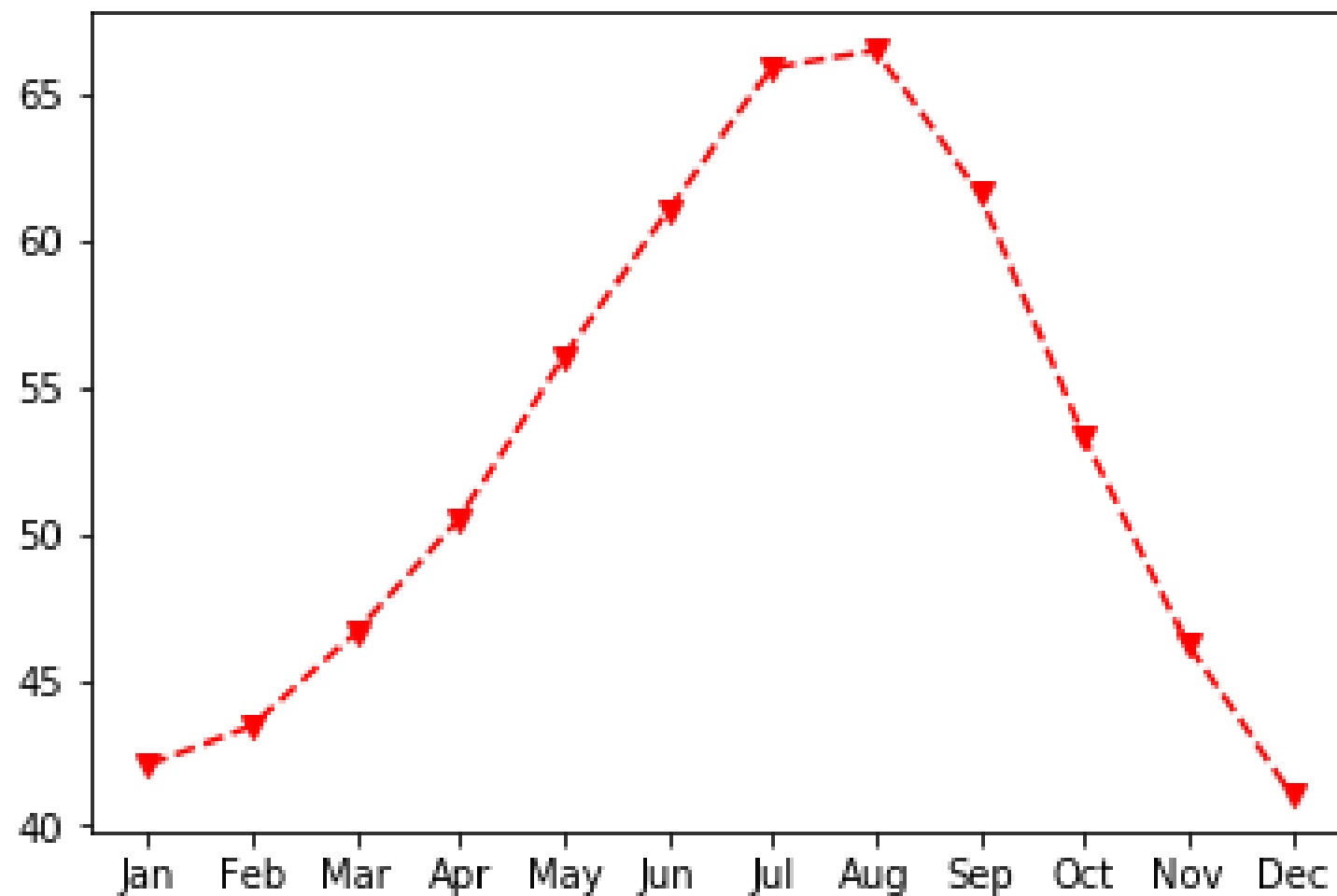
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"],
        marker="v", linestyle="None")
plt.show()
```





Choosing color

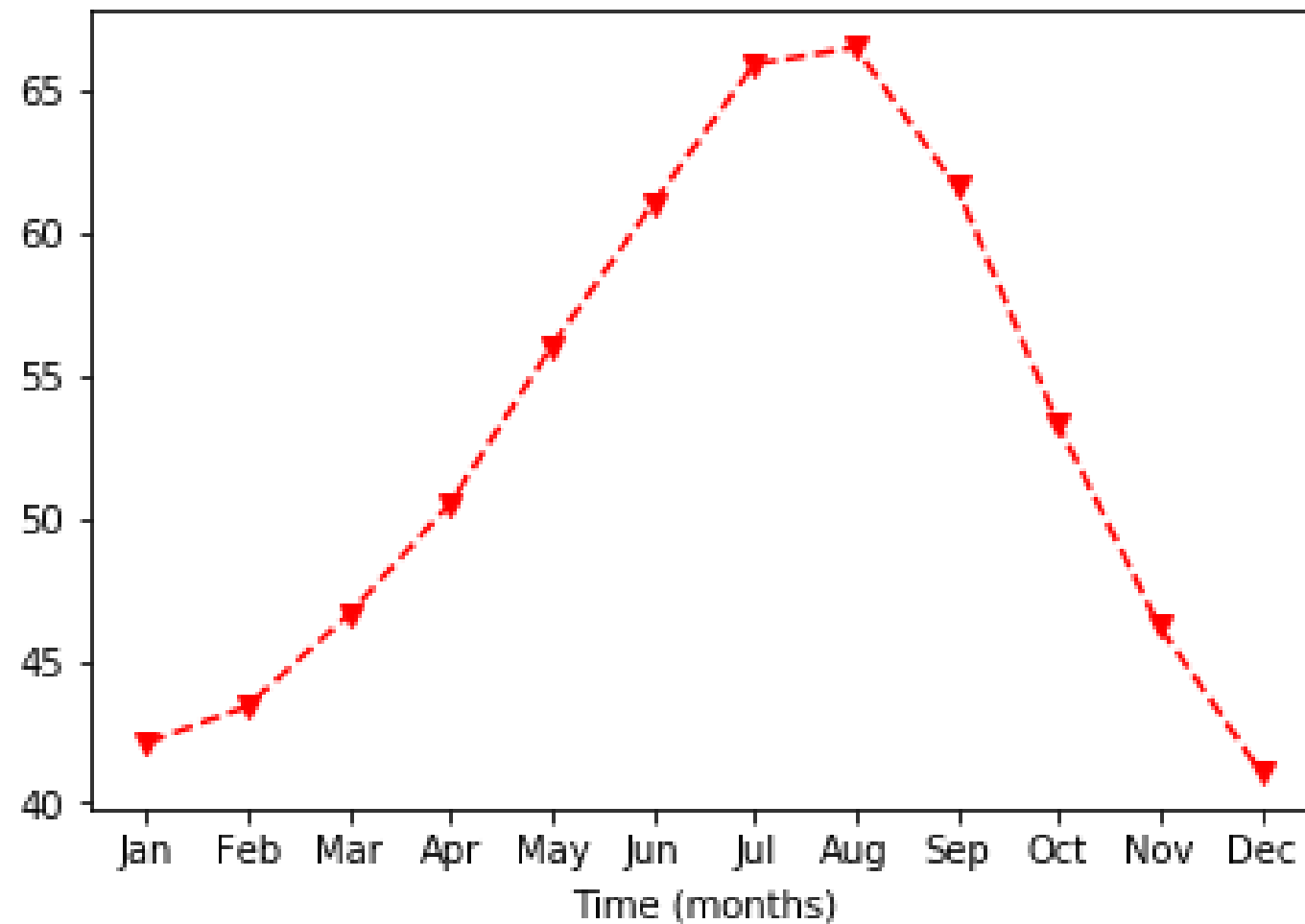
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"],
        marker="v", linestyle="--", color="r")
plt.show()
```





Customizing the axes labels

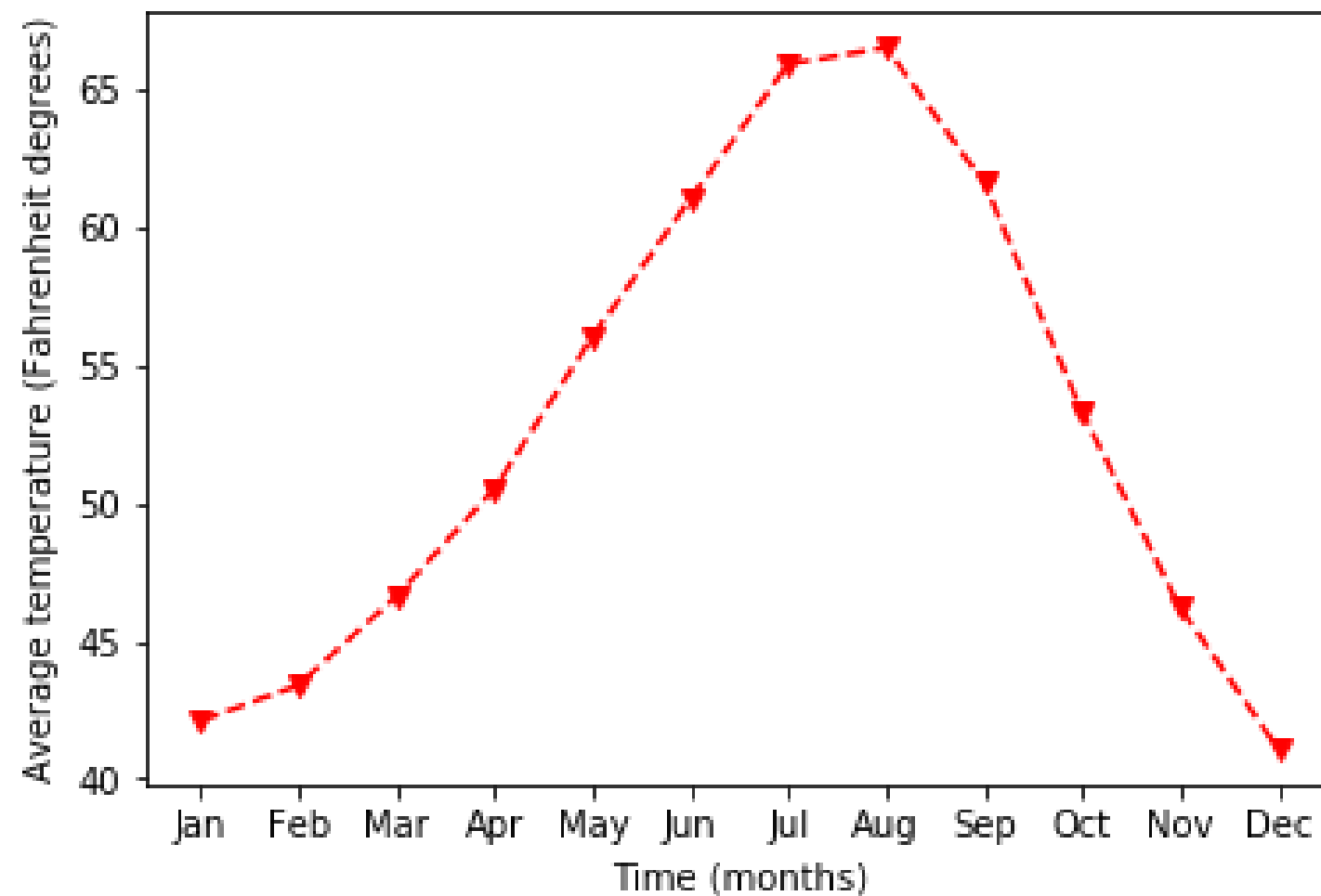
```
ax.set_xlabel("Time (months)")  
plt.show()
```





Setting the y axis label

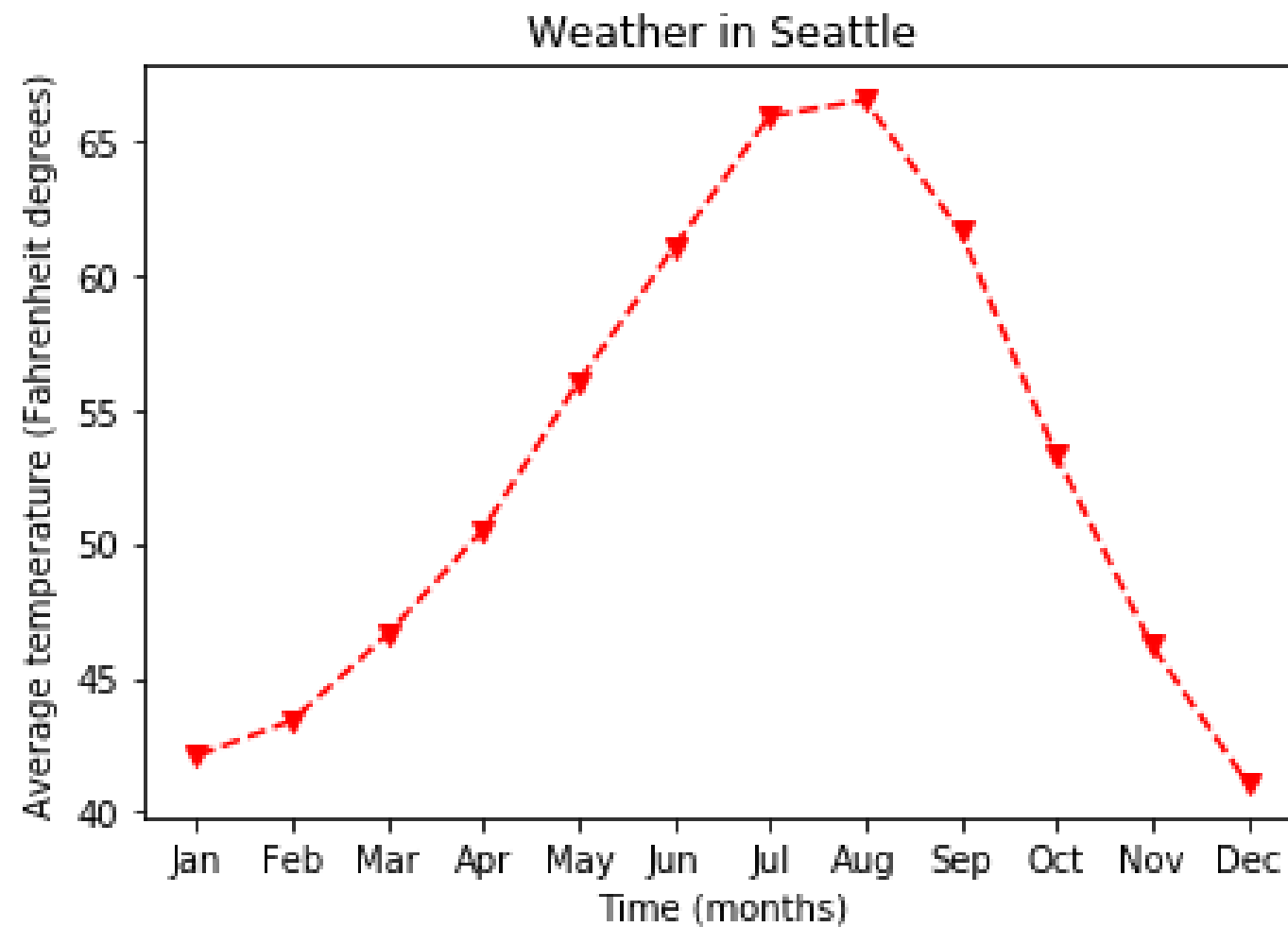
```
ax.set_xlabel("Time (months)")  
ax.set_ylabel("Average temperature (Fahrenheit degrees)")  
plt.show()
```





Adding a title

```
ax.set_title("Weather in Seattle")  
plt.show()
```





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**Practice customizing your
plots!**



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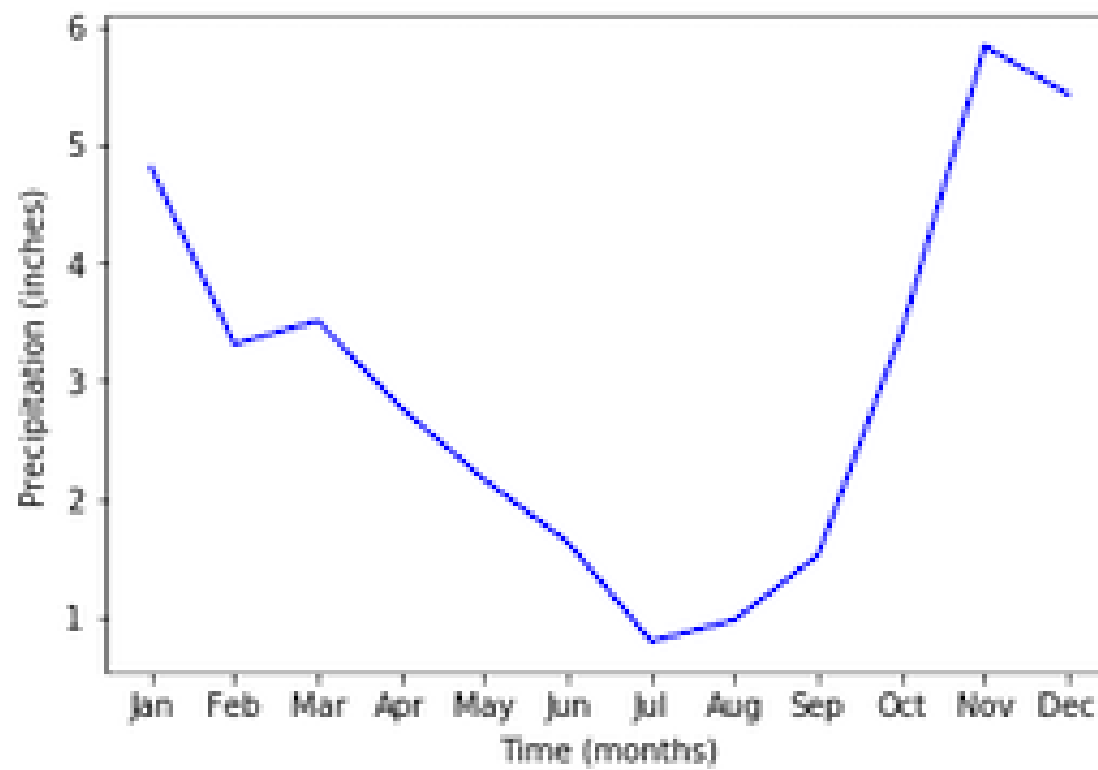
Small multiples

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Adding data

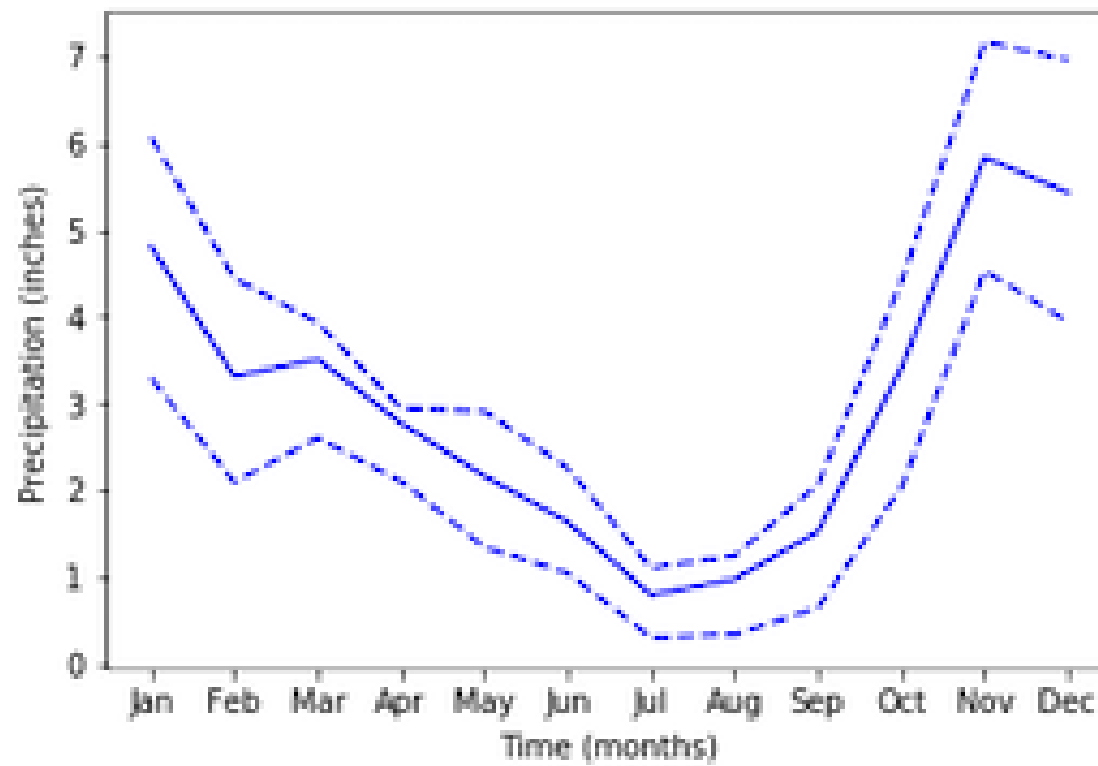
```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],  
        color='b')  
ax.set_xlabel("Time (months)")  
ax.set_ylabel("Precipitation (inches)")  
plt.show()
```





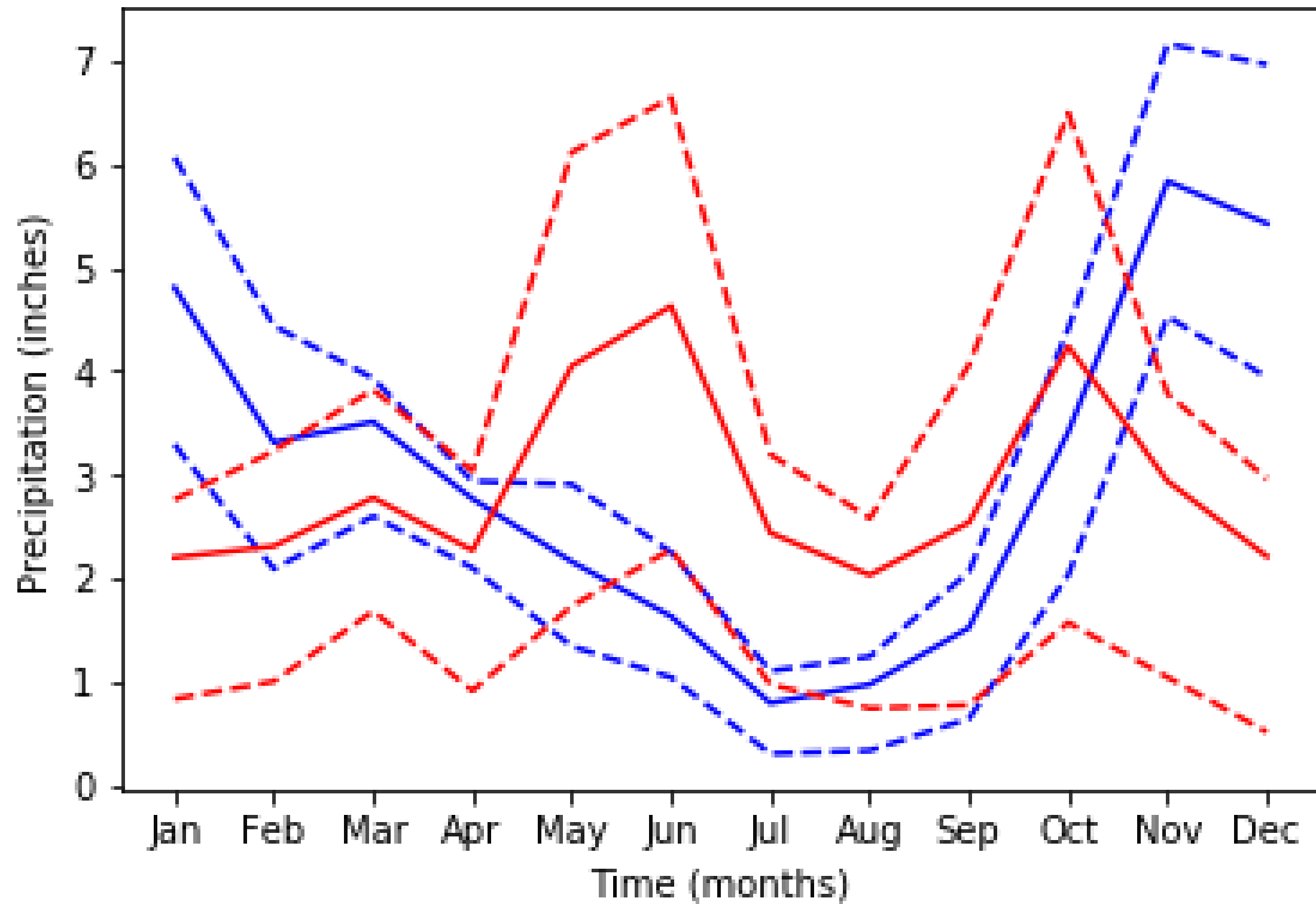
Adding more data

```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"],  
        linestyle='--', color='b')  
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL"],  
        linestyle='--', color='b')  
plt.show()
```



And more data

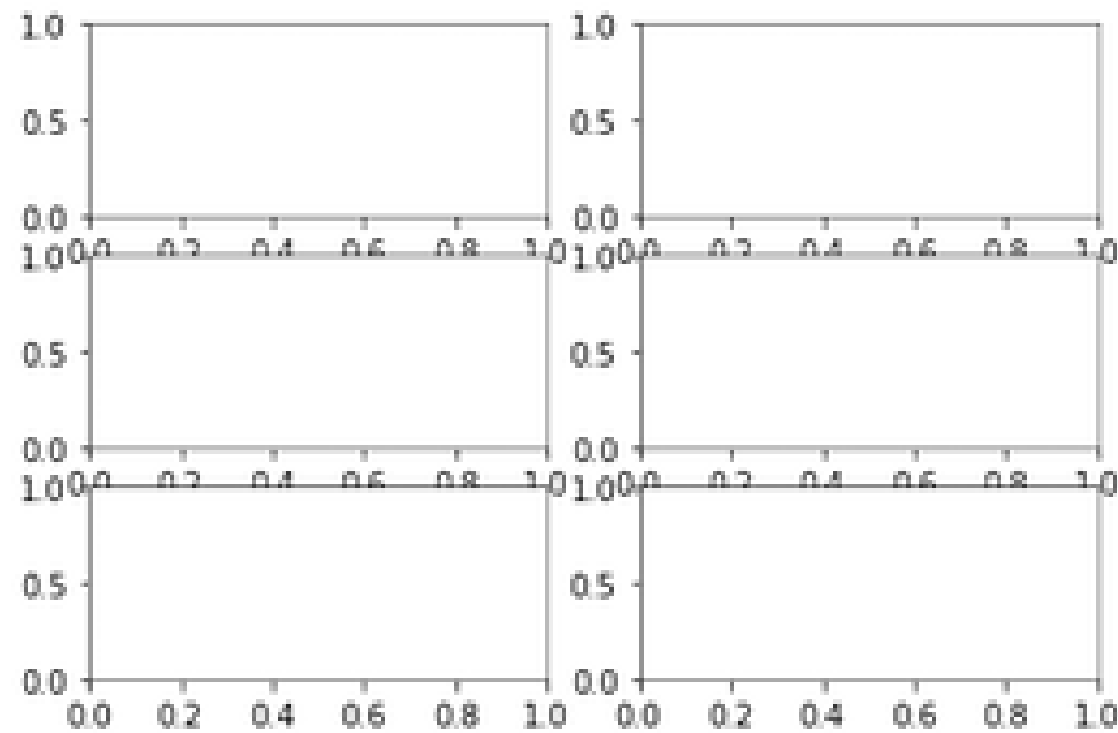
```
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],
        color='r')
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"],
        linestyle='--', color='r')
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL"],
        linestyle='--', color='r')
plt.show()
```



Small multiples with plt.subplots

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
```

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(3, 2)  
plt.show()
```



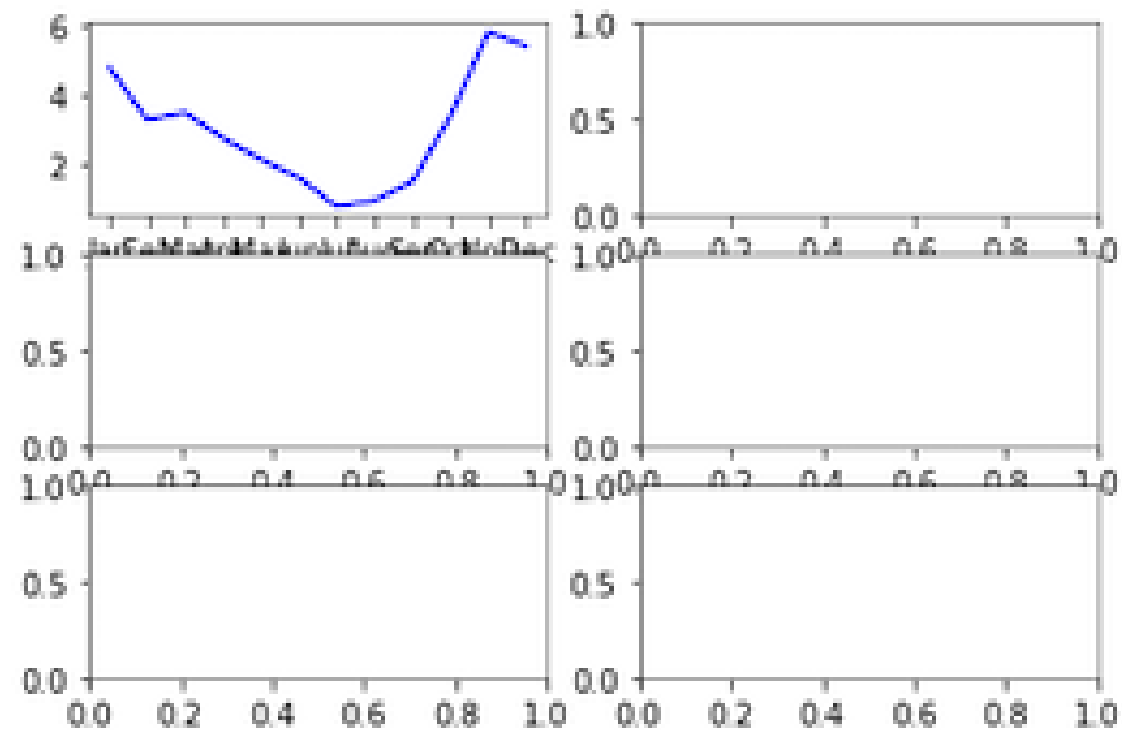
Adding data to subplots

```
ax.shape
```

```
(3, 2)
```

```
ax[0, 0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],  
              color='b')
```

```
plt.show()
```



Subplots with data

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 1)

ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"], color='r')
ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"],
           linestyle='--', color='b')
ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL"],
           linestyle='--', color='b')

ax[1].plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"], color='r')
ax[1].plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"],
           linestyle='--', color='r')
ax[1].plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL"],
           linestyle='--', color='r')

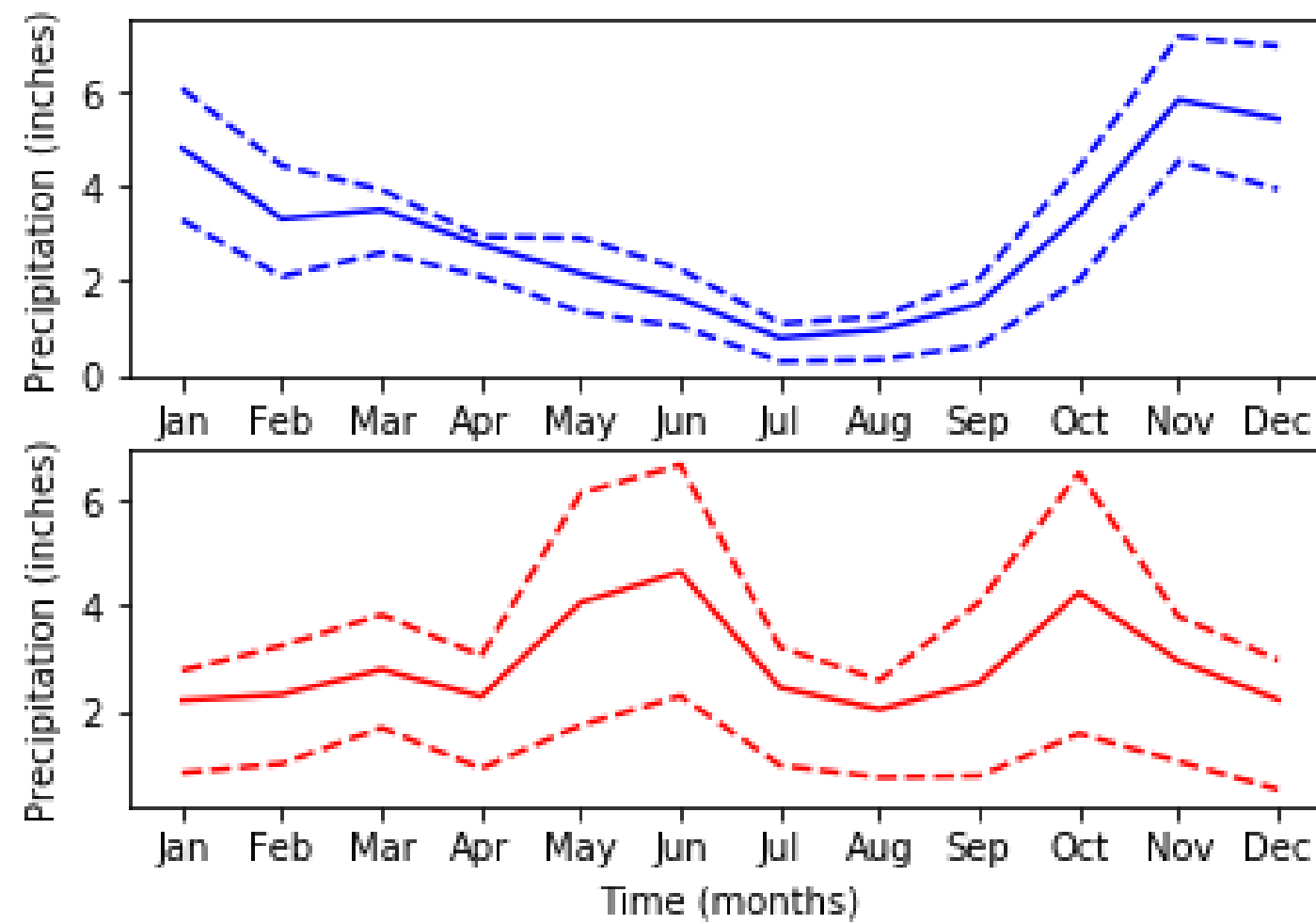
ax[0].set_ylabel("Precipitation (inches)")
ax[1].set_ylabel("Precipitation (inches)")

ax[1].set_xlabel("Time (months)")

plt.show()
```



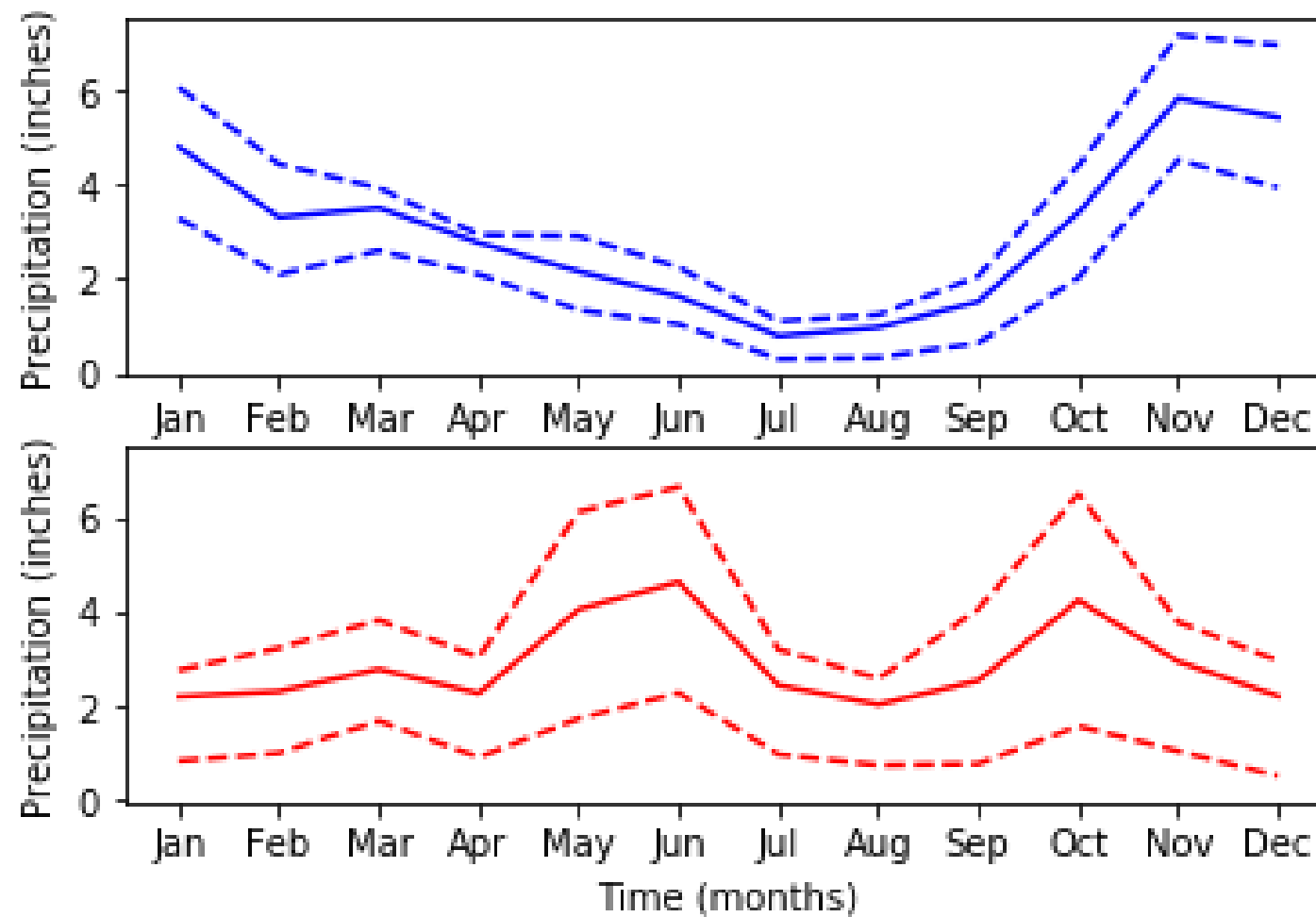
Subplots with data





Sharing the y-axis range

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 1, sharey=True)
```





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Practice making subplots!