

Python – figures workshop

Prior to the workshop:

- Install Python 3.7 or 3.8
- Install an IDE (PyCharm [preferred], Visual Studio or Spyder)

Workshop steps

Part 1: Setup

1. Create a new project called 'report-qcer-figures-workshop'
2. Set up virtualenv
3. Command: ``pip install pypaper``
4. Command: ``python -m pypaper.init_project``
5. Command: ``python manage.py init qf``
6. Get everyone to file 'fw_scripts/research/fig_playground/figure_eg_1_basic_plot.py' into same location in their own project.
7. Run script and note that packages are missing and use:
 - a. ``pip install <package-name>`` or
 - b. Command: ``pip install -r requirements.txt``
8. Share link to medium post about folder setup in README folder

Part 1: Basics

In figure_eg_1_basic_plot.py

9. Add a legend and axis labels
10. change the font
11. Add multiple lines with different colours
12. Add text to the figure ``subplot.text(2, 3, 'some text')``
13. save the figure

Part 2: Deal with data

14. copy the file 'fw_scripts/build_databases/generate_basic_raw_data.py'
 - a. Explain the use of `__file__` to get name
 - b. Explain kwargs in ``np.savetxt``
 - c. Explain ``ap.MODULE_DATA_PATH``
15. copy the file 'fw_scripts/research/duration_study/figure_raw_data_w_pandas.py'
 - a. Explain the thresholding and supports titles
16. copy the file 'fw_scripts/research/duration_study/figure_raw_data_w_numpy.py'
17. compare 'figure_raw_data_w_numpy.py' to 'figure_fit_raw_data_w_numpy.py'
 - a. Show the polyfit command
 - b. Show how to add equation to figure
 - c. Explain the string formatting
18. Fig_paper_v0
 - a. Show how to set xlimits
 - b. Show how to write function to set them automatically

19. Figure_paper_v1
 - a. Show problem with legend
 - b. Show how engformat revamp_legend removes this
 - c. Show how to look at functions in PyCharm (ctrl + click)
20. Figure_paper_v2
 - a. Show how to add axvspan
 - b. Show how to add custom legend patch
21. Figure_paper_v3
 - a. Add axis labels and tight_layout
 - b. Explain GridSpec is an option
22. Figure_paper_v4 – explain why it is in 'outputs' folder
 - a. Change font
 - b. Use engformat xy
 - c. Add the save and show options
 - d. Explain the figure size and settings.py file
 - e. Explain the additional latex insert option
23. Figure_paper_v5
 - a. Show how to add multiple subplots, sharex option
 - b. Explain bwplot
24. In terminal run `pip freeze -> requirements_20200915.txt`

Extras:

- Zorder
- Grid lines
- Change markers