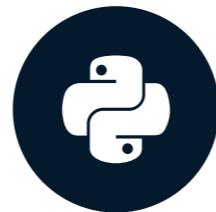


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# Data visualization

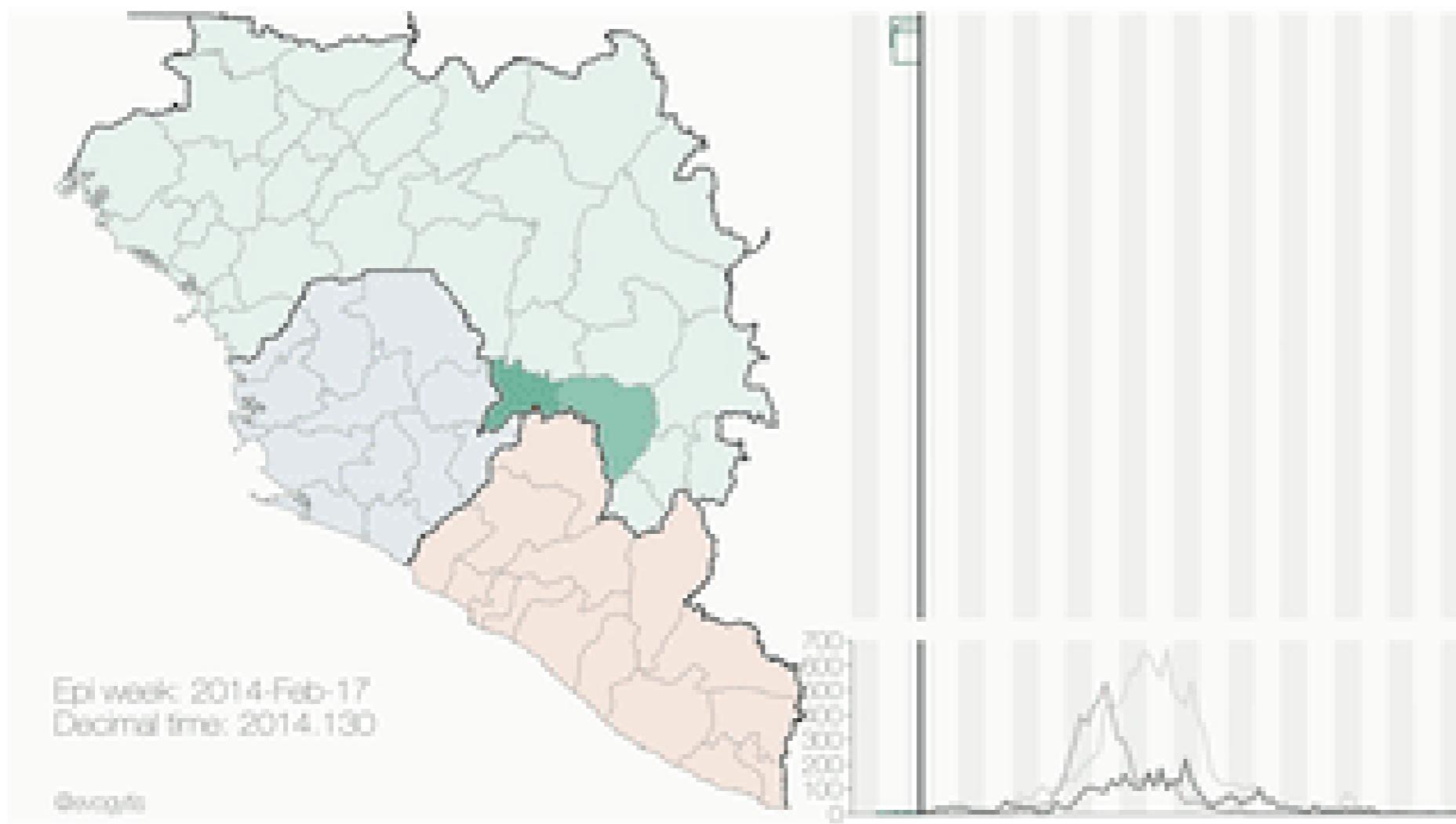
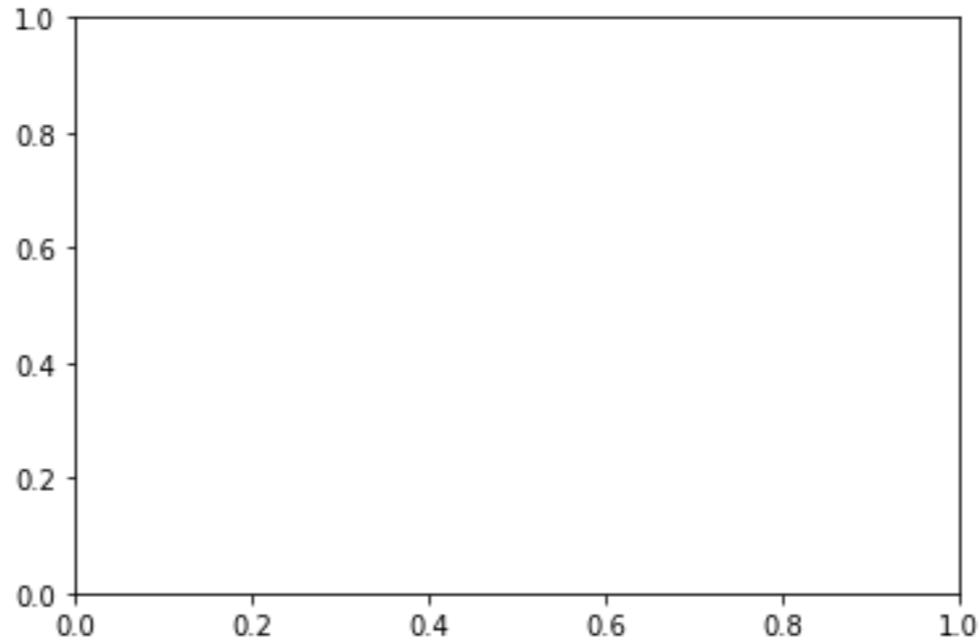


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# Introducing the pyplot interface

```
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
```

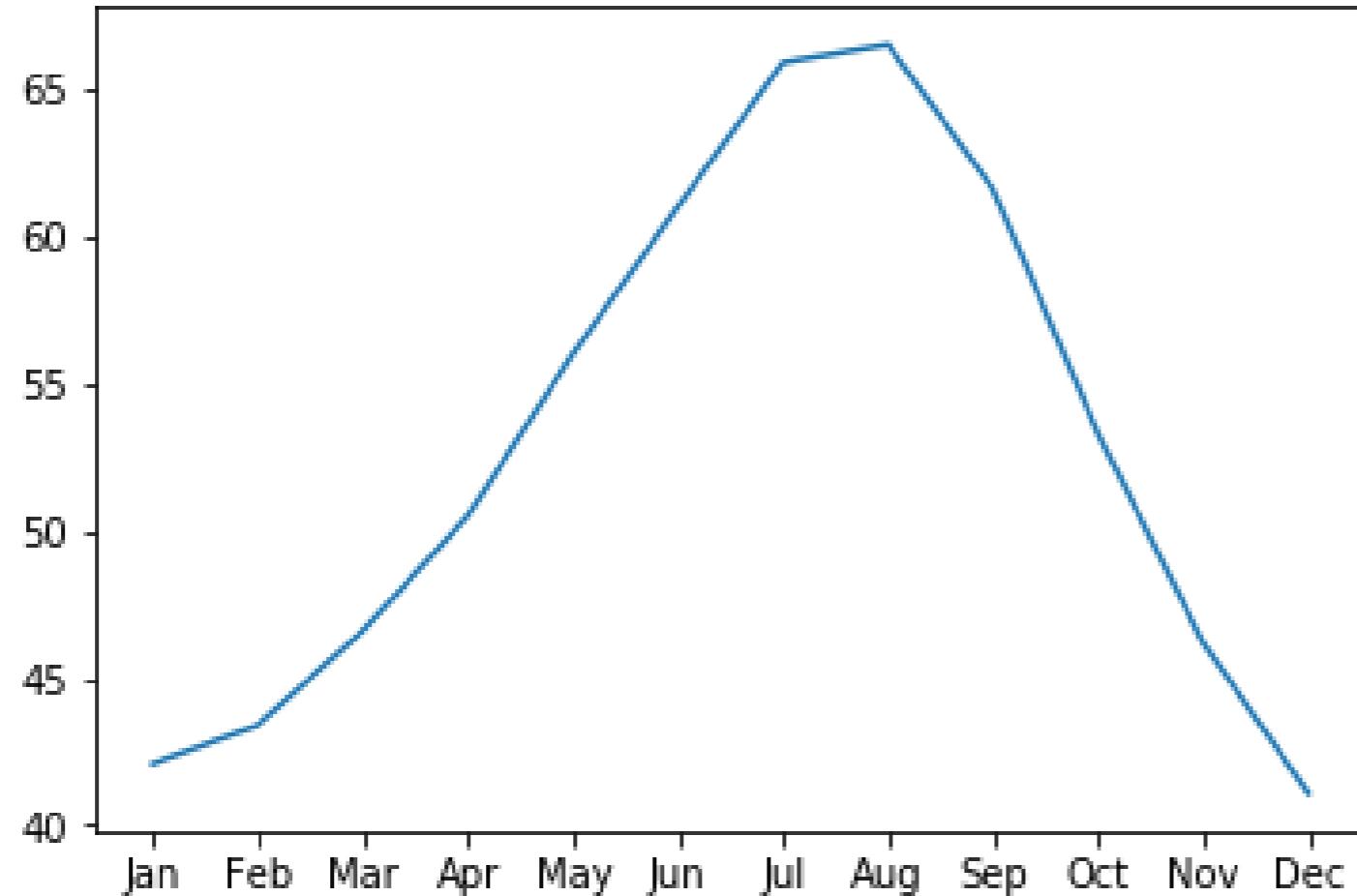
```
Name: MONTH, dtype: object
```

```
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
```

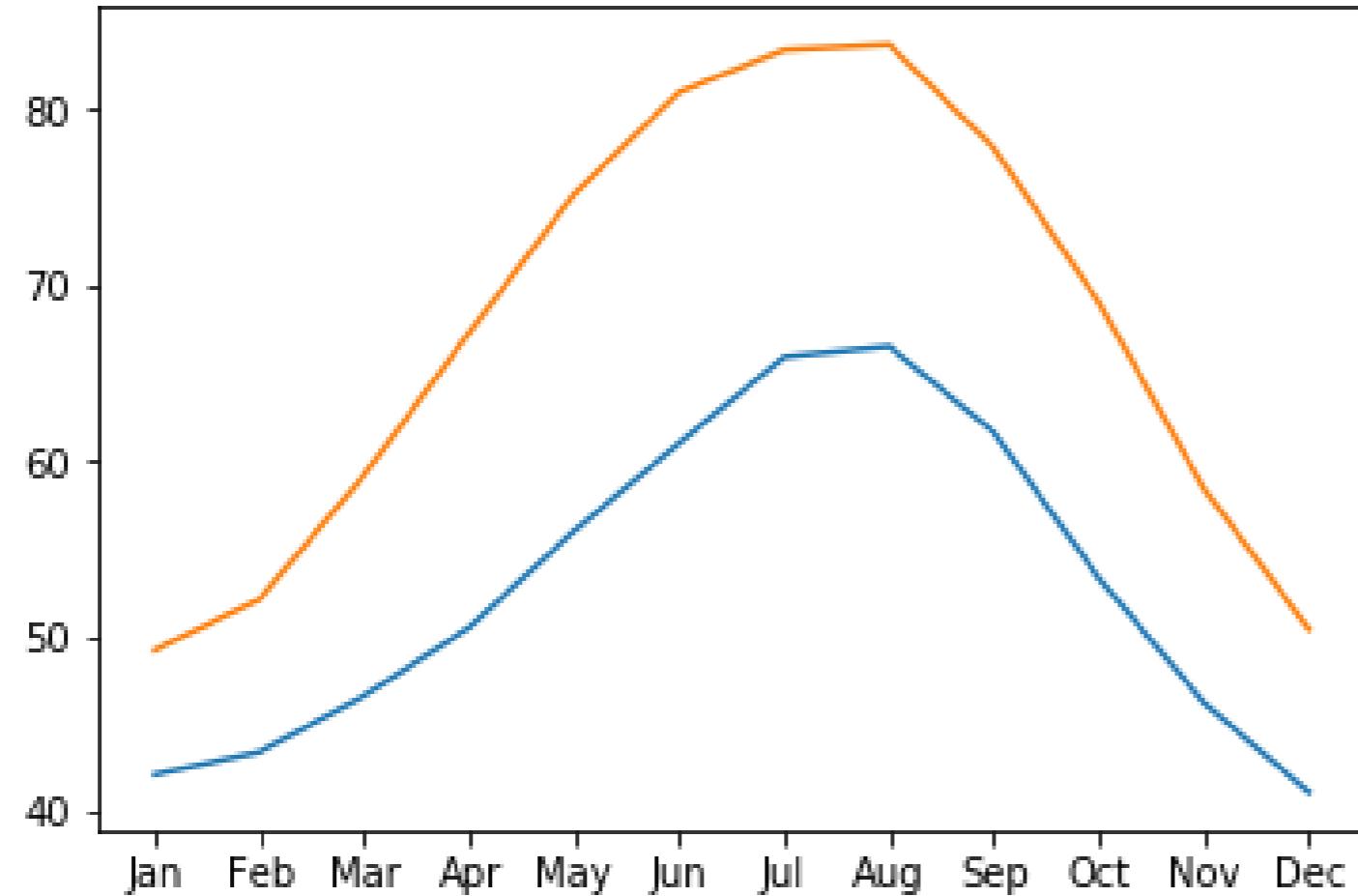
# Adding data to axes

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



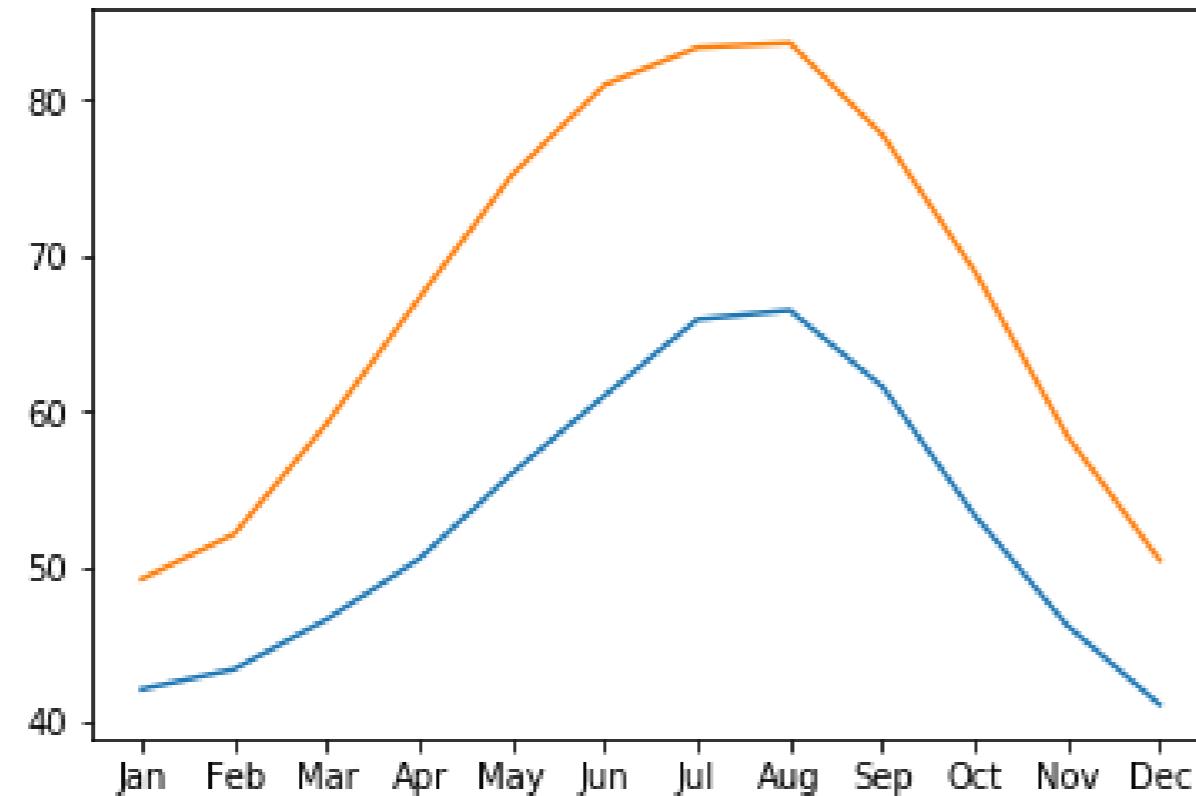
# Adding more data

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

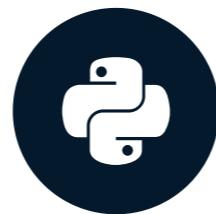


# **Practice making a figure!**

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# Customizing your plots

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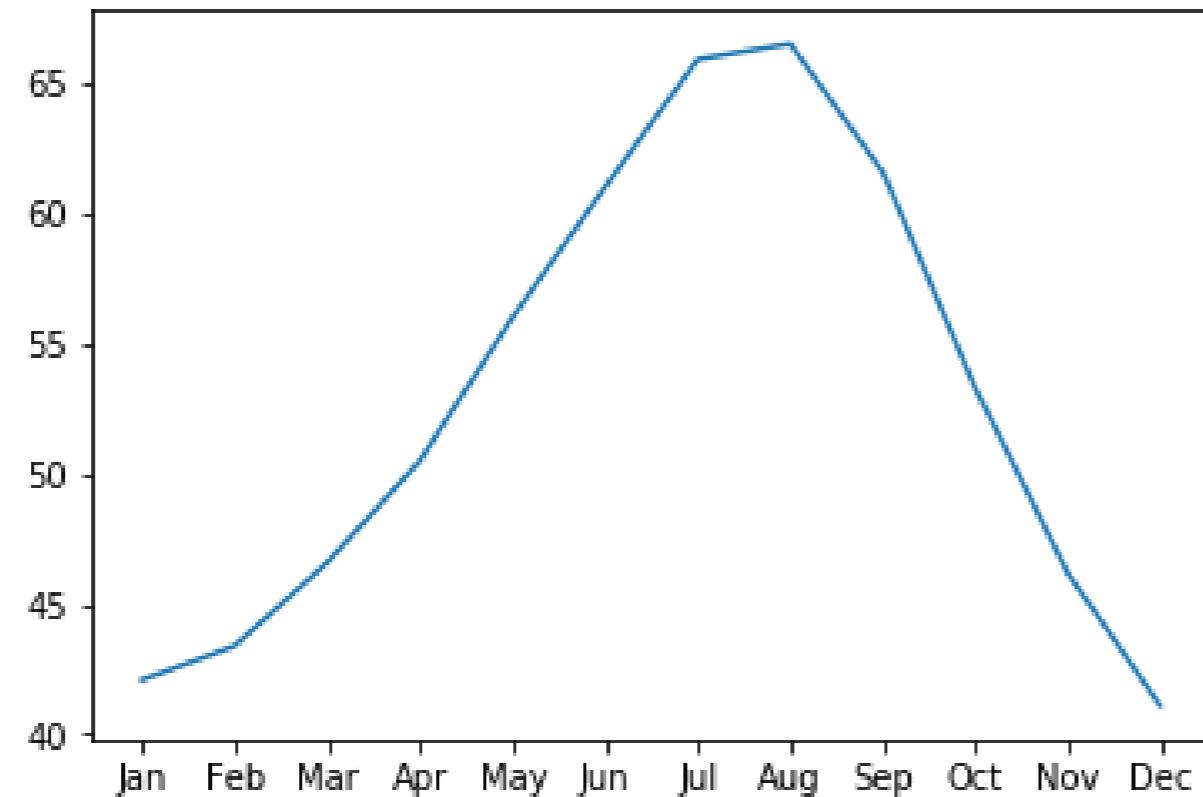


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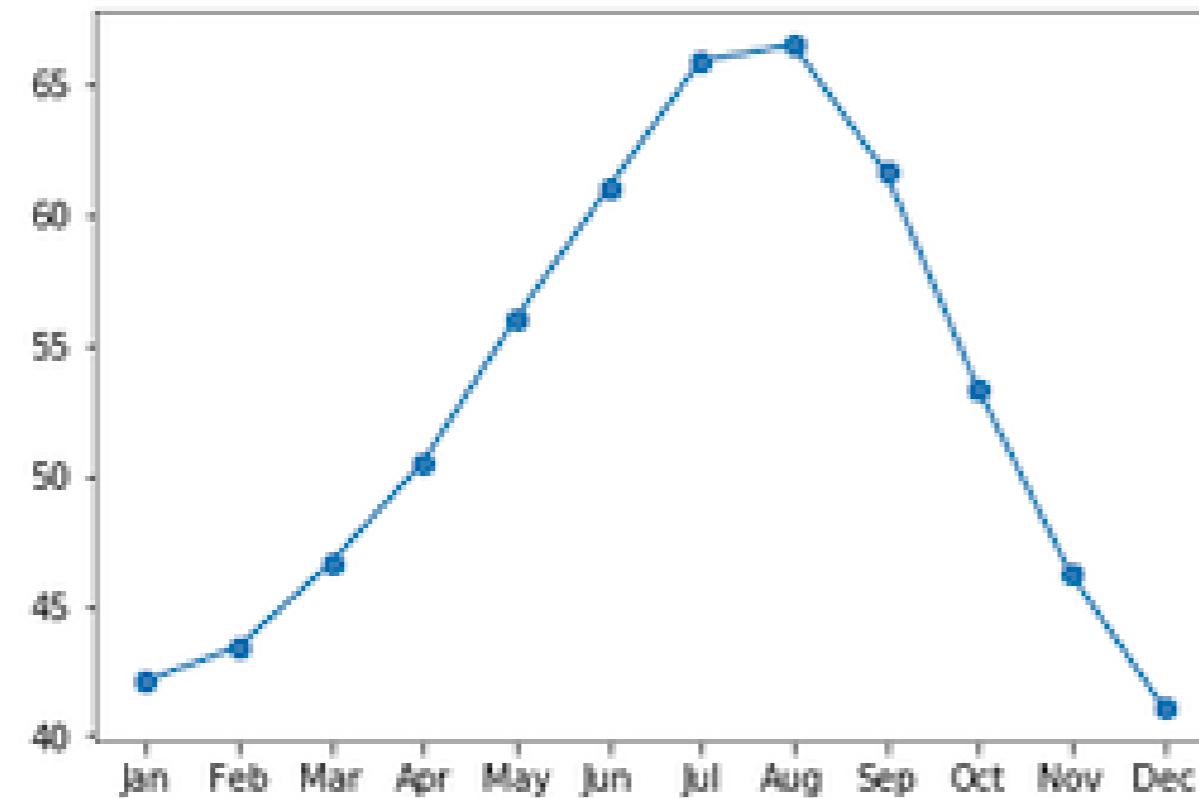
# Customizing data appearance

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



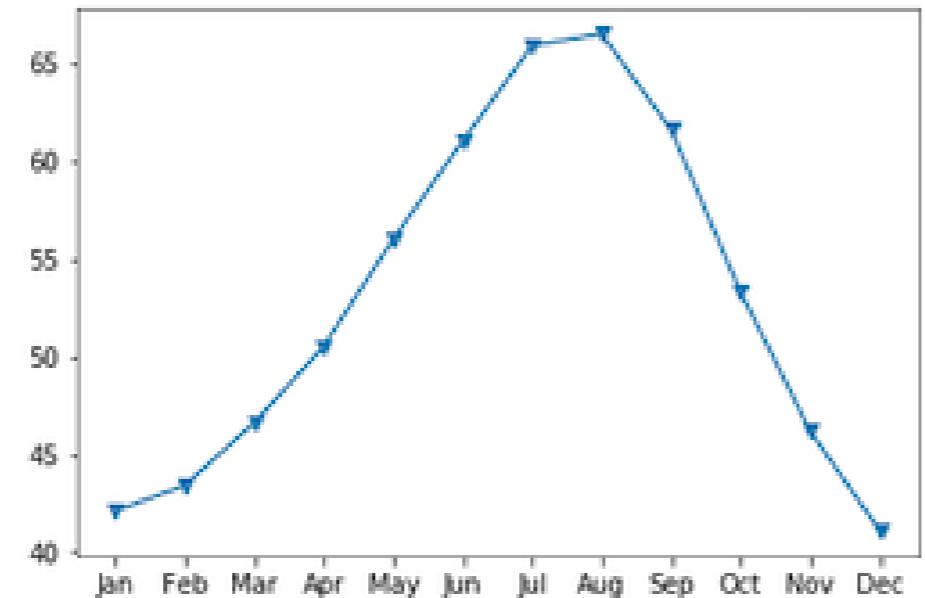
# Adding markers

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



# Choosing markers

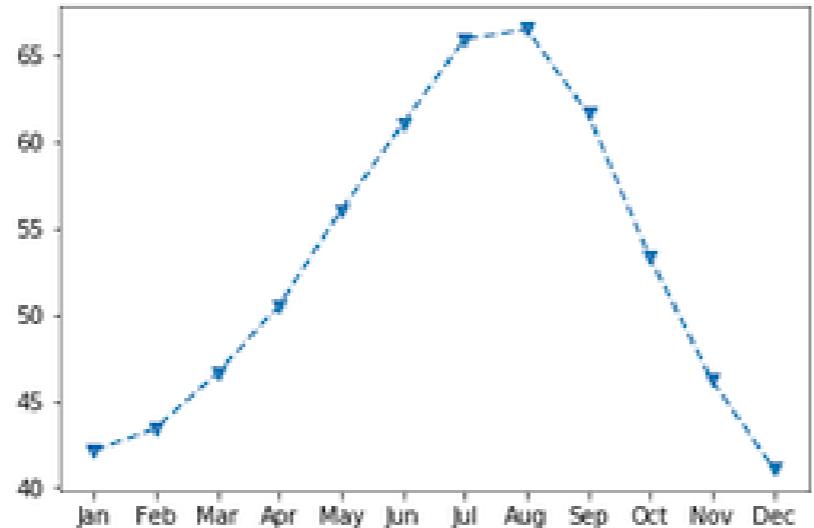
```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"],  
        seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],  
        marker="v")  
  
plt.show()
```



[https://matplotlib.org/api/markers\\_api.html](https://matplotlib.org/api/markers_api.html)

# Setting the linestyle

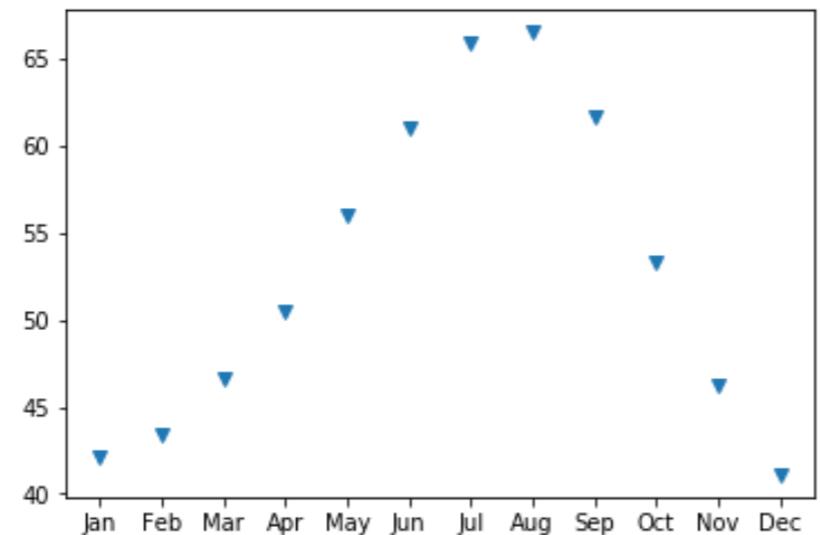
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"],  
        seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"],  
        marker="v", linestyle="--")  
plt.show()
```



[https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines\\_bars\\_and\\_markers/line\\_styles\\_reference.html](https://matplotlib.org/gallery/lines_bars_and_markers/line_styles_reference.html)

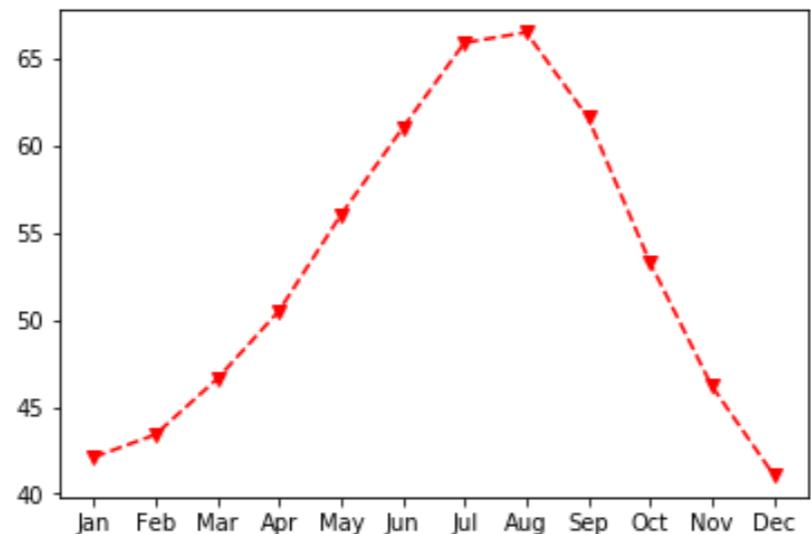
# Eliminating lines with linestyle

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



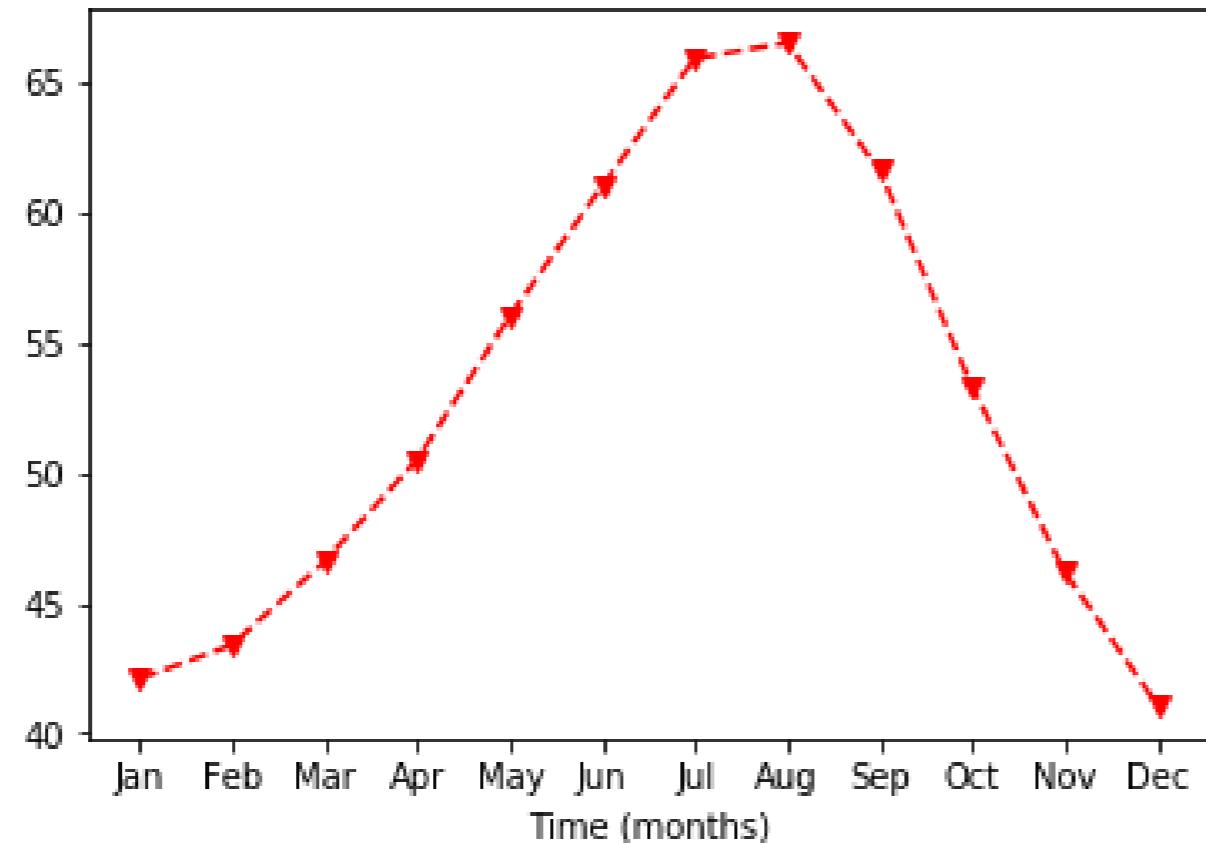
# Choosing color

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



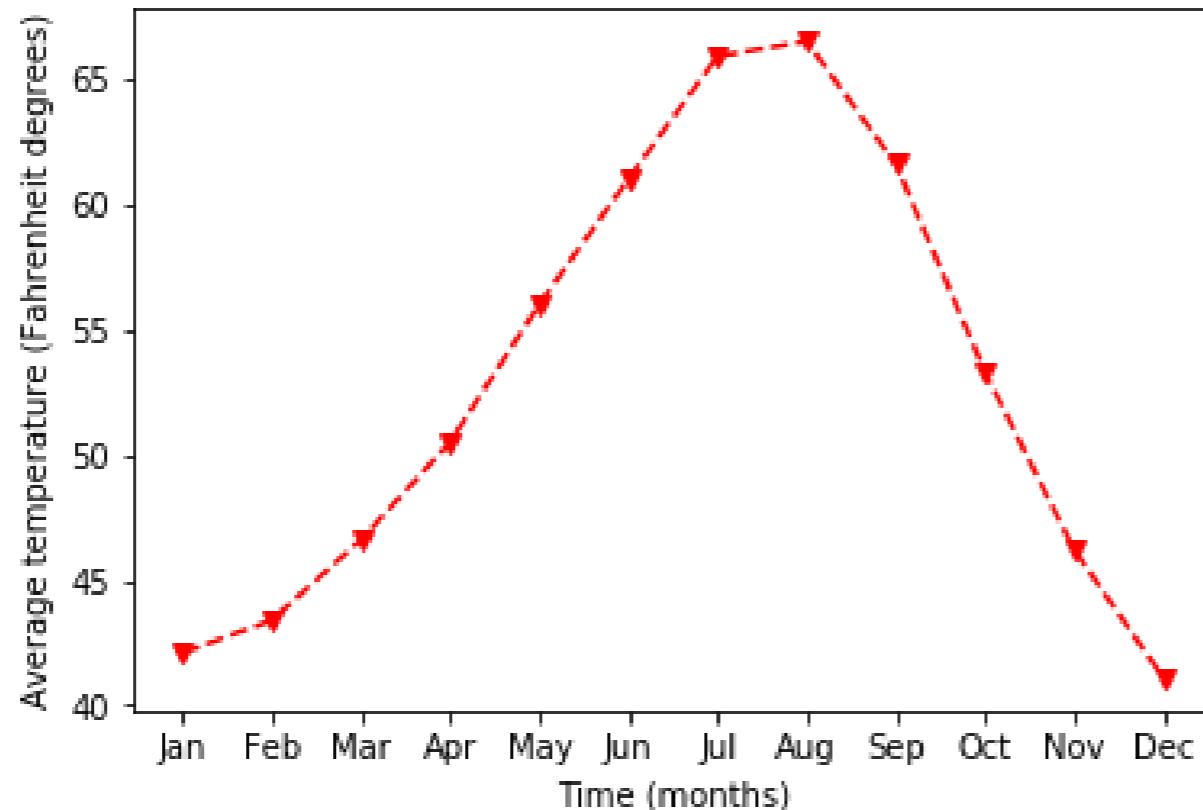
# Customizing the axes labels

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



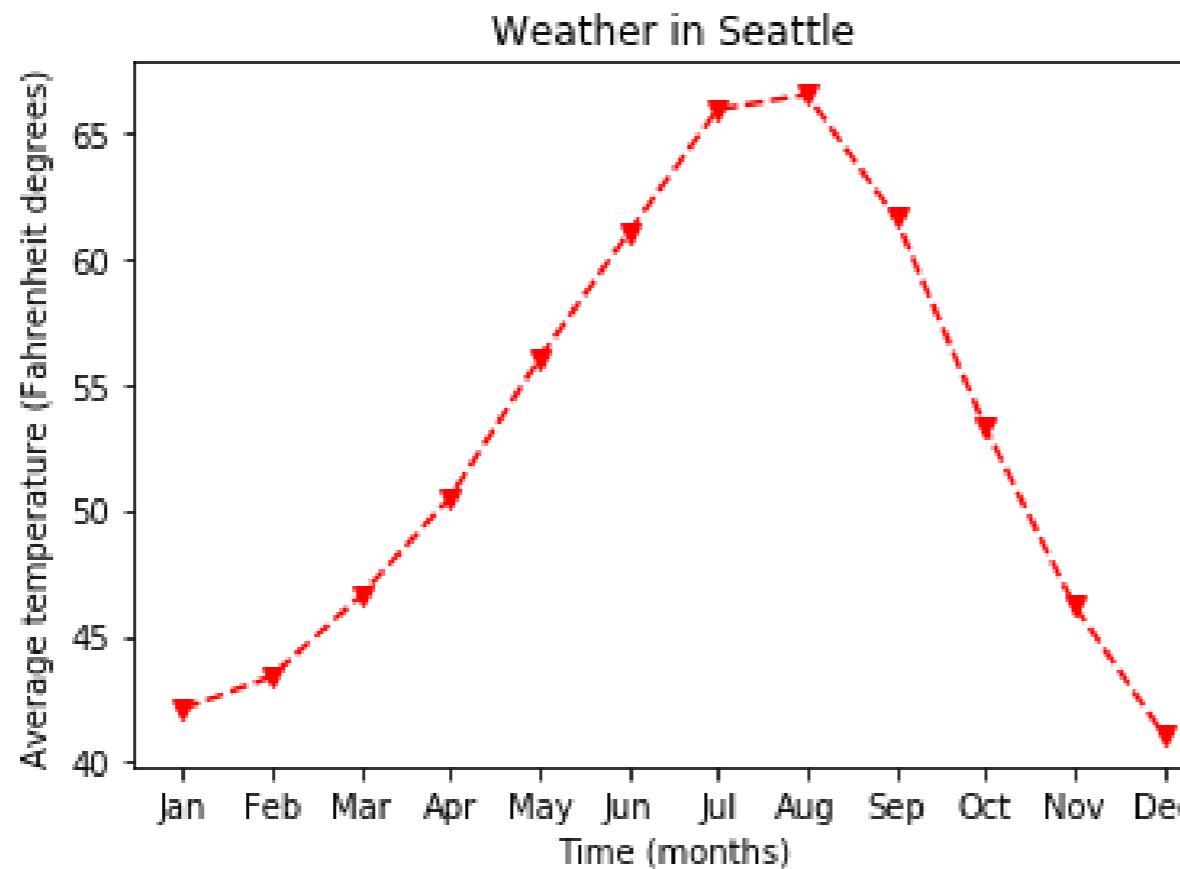
# Setting the y axis label

```
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()
```

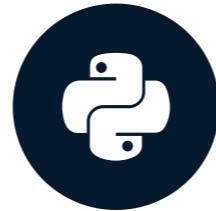


# Practice customizing your plots!

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# Small multiples

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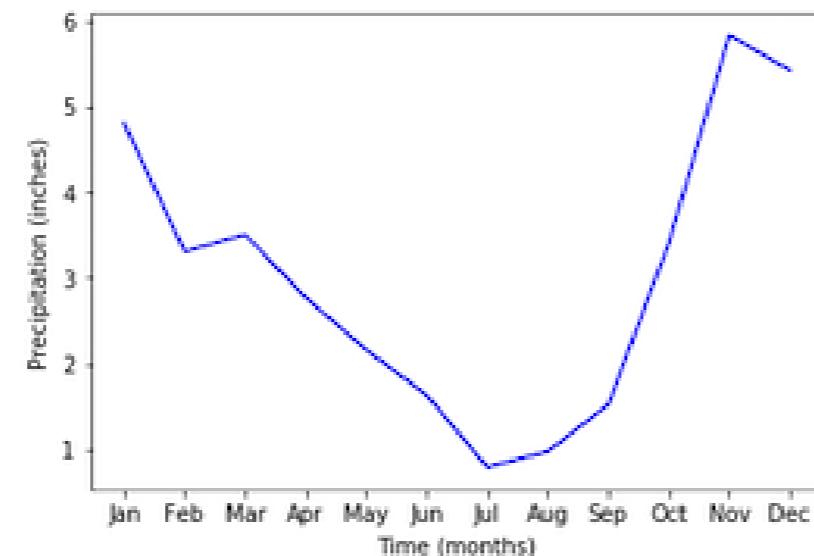


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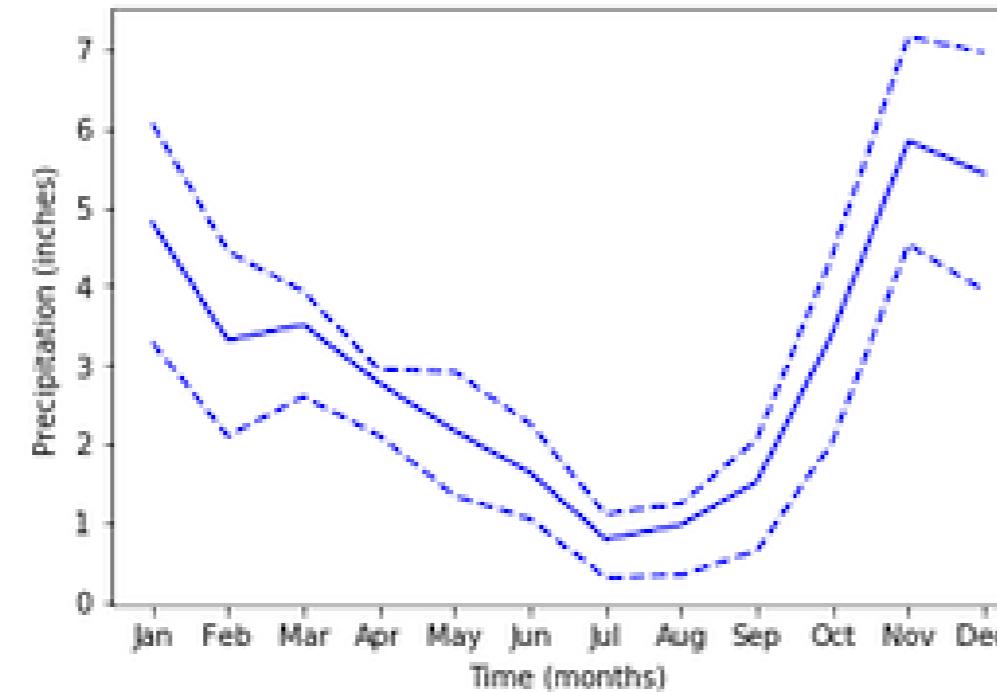
# Adding data

```
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

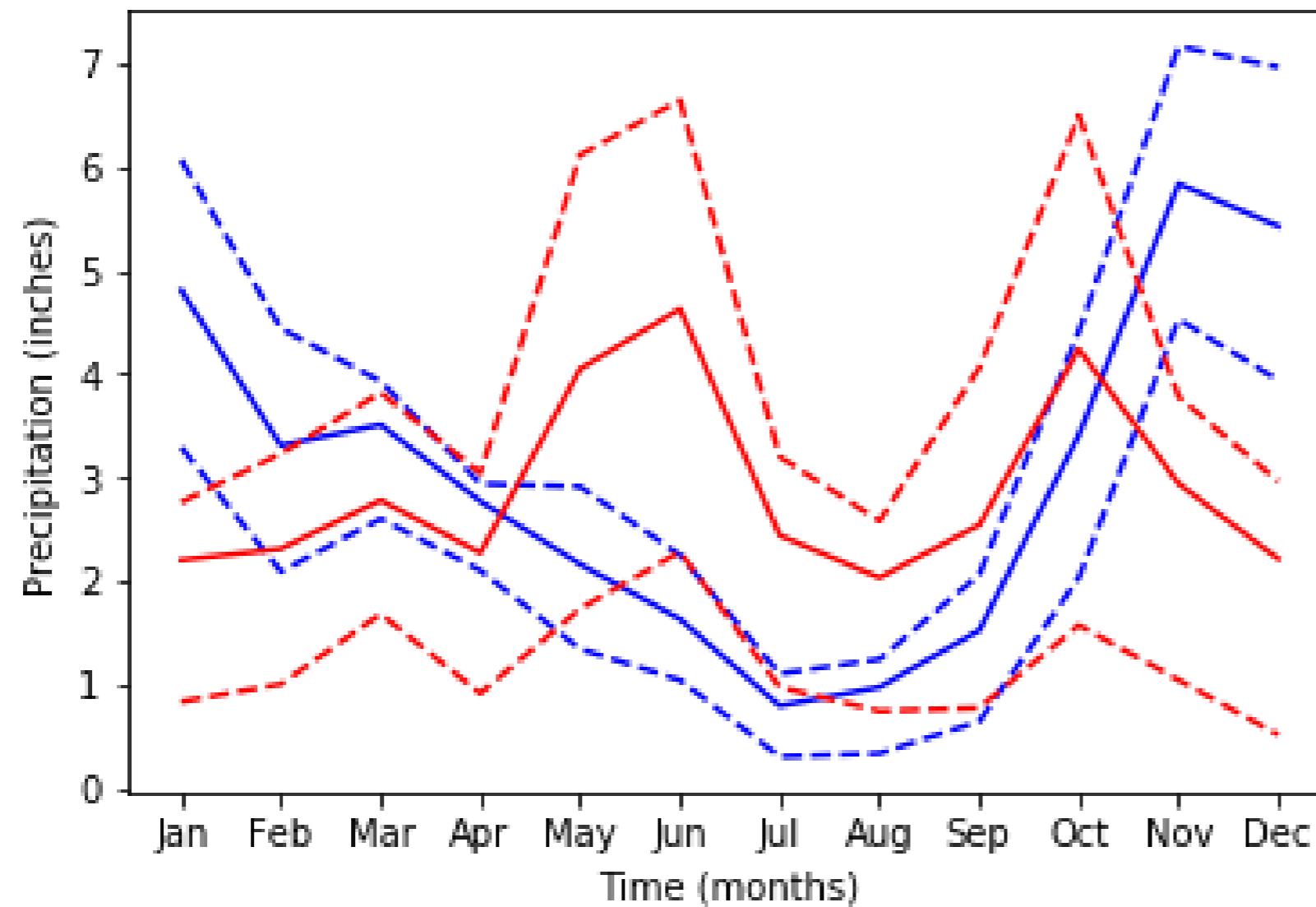
```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"],
        linestyle='--', color='b')
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL"],
        linestyle='--', color=color)
plt.show()
```



# 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()
```

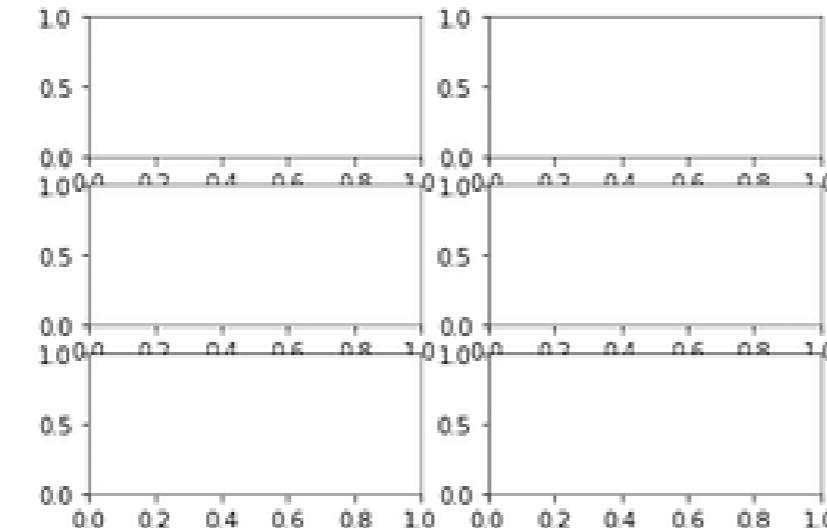
# Too much data!



# Small multiples with plt.subplots

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

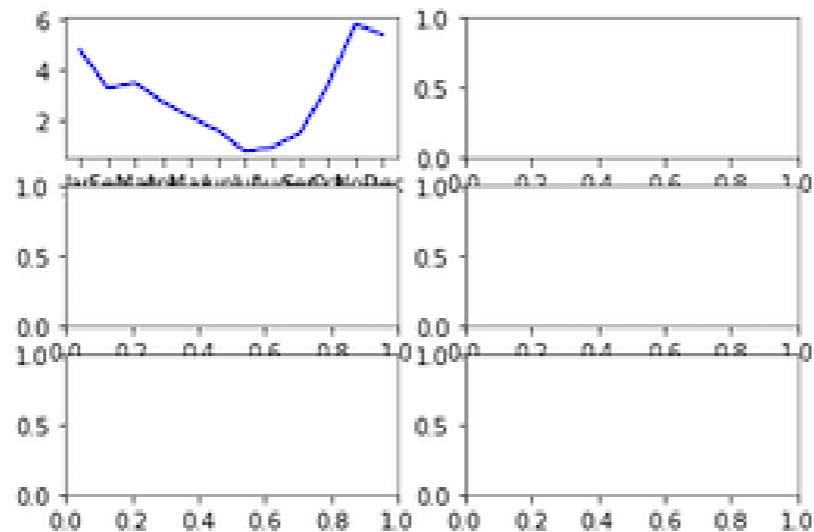
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(3, 2)  
plt.show()
```



# Adding data to subplots

```
ax.shape  
(3, 2)
```

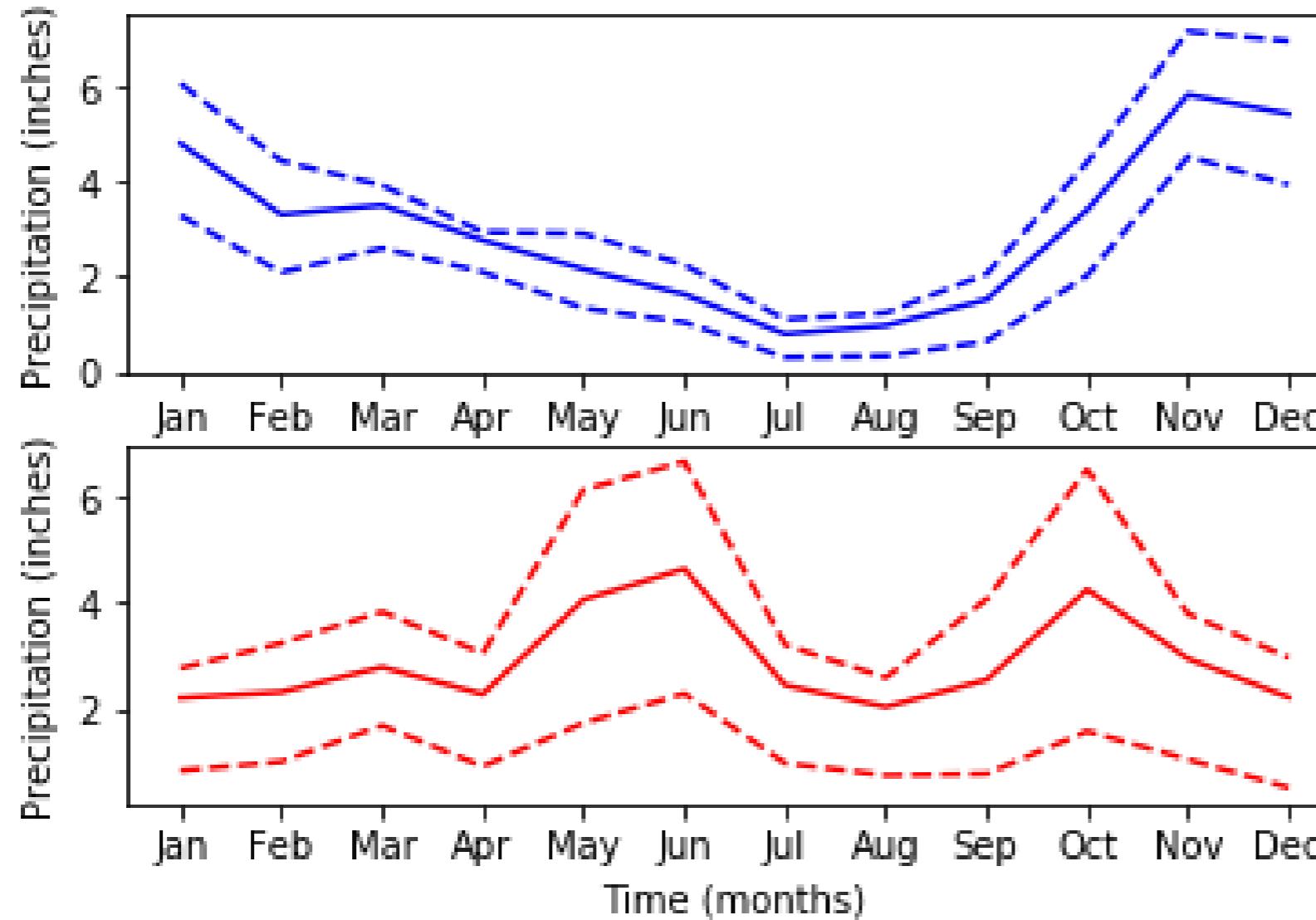
```
ax[0, 0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"],  
               seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],  
               color='b')  
  
plt.show()
```



# Subplots with data

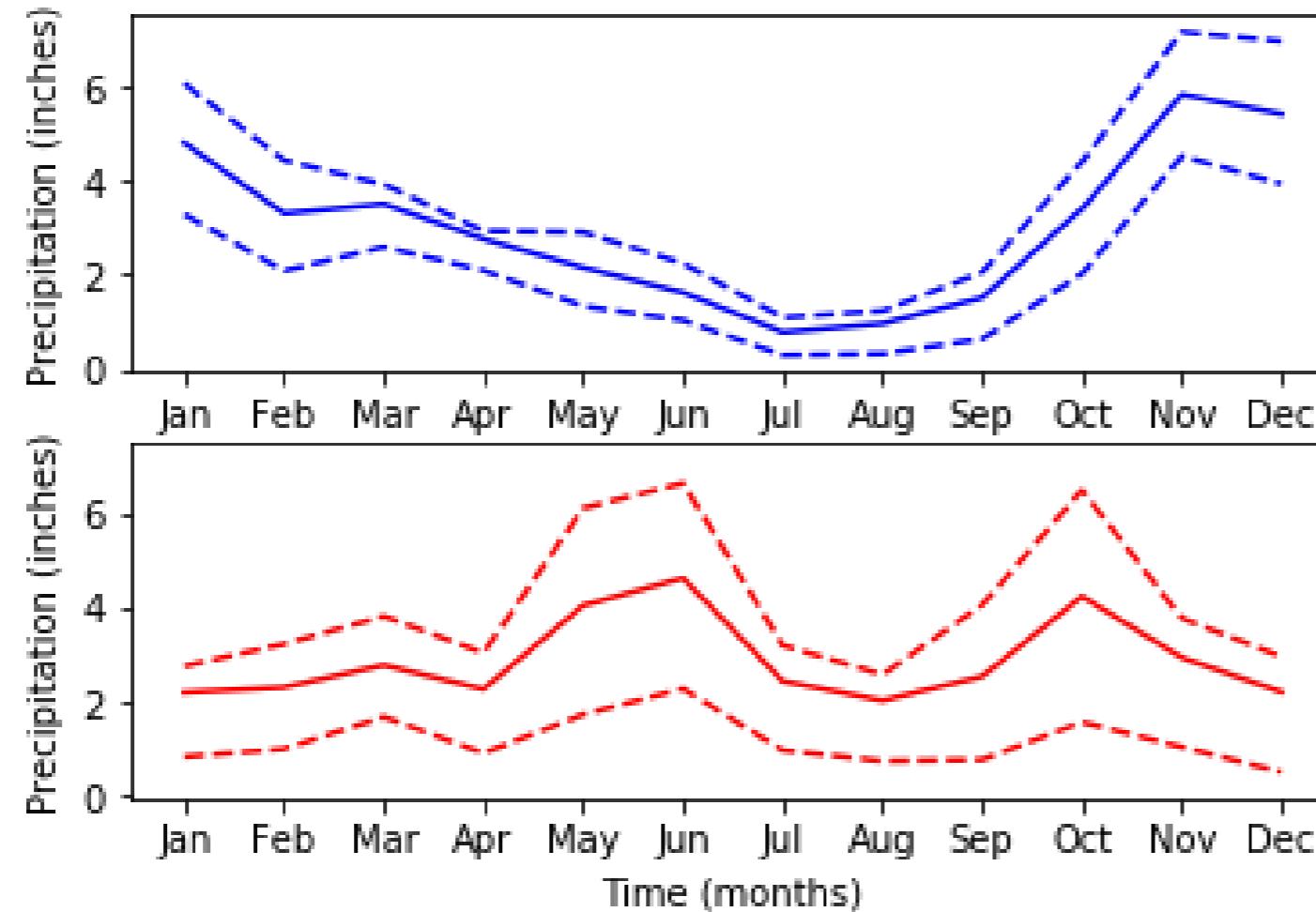
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 1)
ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],
            color='b')
ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"],
            linestyle='--', color='b')
ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL"],
            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)
```

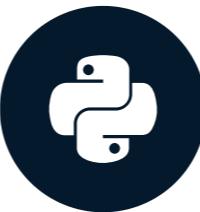


# **Practice making subplots!**

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# Plotting time-series data

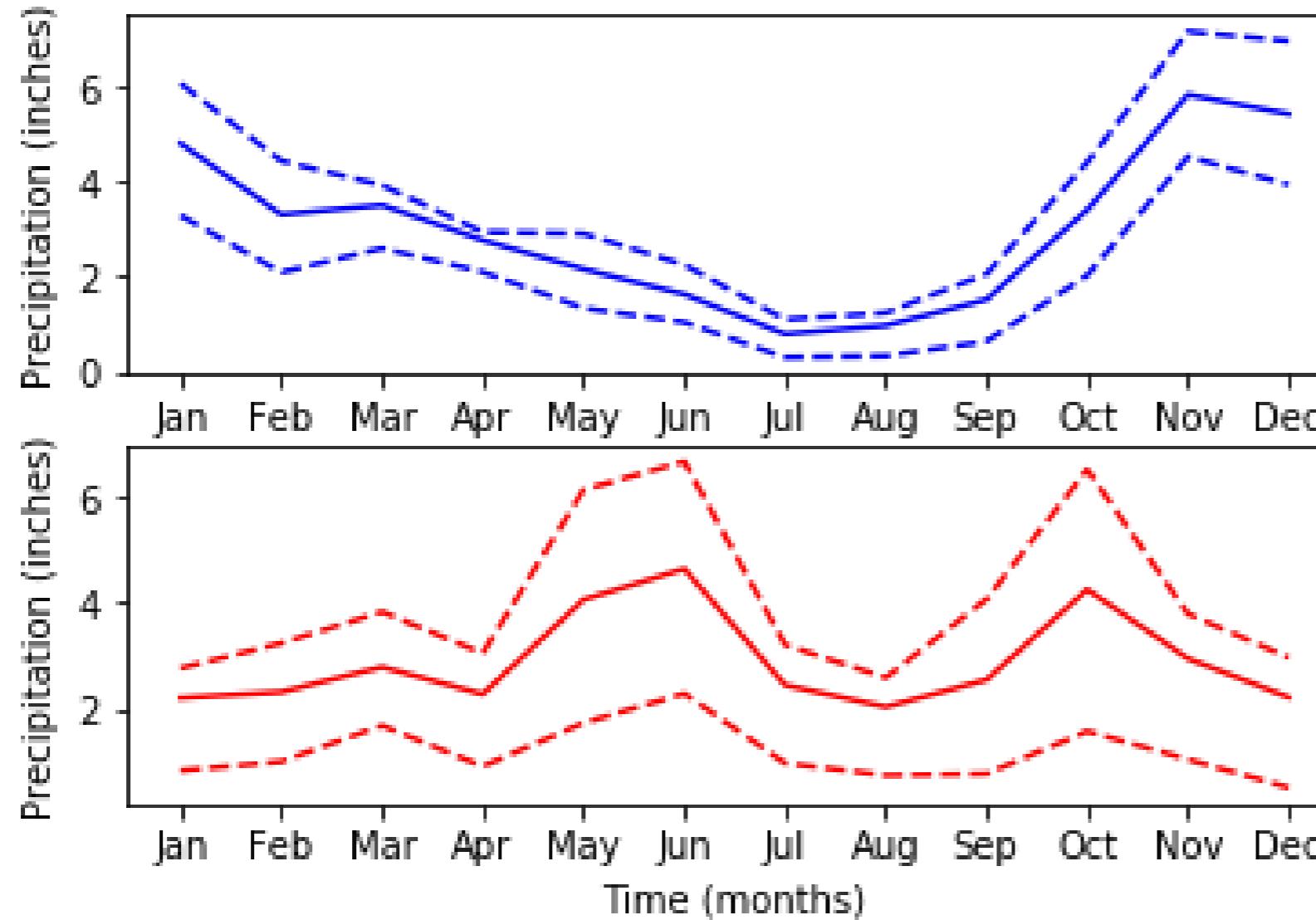
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# Time-series data



# Climate change time-series

```
date,co2,relative_temp  
1958-03-06,315.71,0.1  
1958-04-06,317.45,0.01  
1958-05-06,317.5,0.08  
1958-06-06,-99.99,-0.05  
1958-07-06,315.86,0.06  
1958-08-06,314.93,-0.06  
...  
2016-08-06,402.27,0.98  
2016-09-06,401.05,0.87  
2016-10-06,401.59,0.89  
2016-11-06,403.55,0.93  
2016-12-06,404.45,0.81
```

# DatetimeIndex

```
climate_change.index
```

```
DatetimeIndex(['1958-03-06', '1958-04-06', '1958-05-06', '1958-06-06',
                 '1958-07-06', '1958-08-06', '1958-09-06', '1958-10-06',
                 '1958-11-06', '1958-12-06',
                 ...
                 '2016-03-06', '2016-04-06', '2016-05-06', '2016-06-06',
                 '2016-07-06', '2016-08-06', '2016-09-06', '2016-10-06',
                 '2016-11-06', '2016-12-06'],
                dtype='datetime64[ns]', name='date', length=706, freq=None)
```

# Time-series data

```
climate_change['relative_temp']
```

```
0      0.10
1      0.01
2      0.08
3     -0.05
4      0.06
5     -0.06
6     -0.03
7      0.04
...
701    0.98
702    0.87
703    0.89
704    0.93
705    0.81
Name:co2, Length: 706, dtype: float64
```

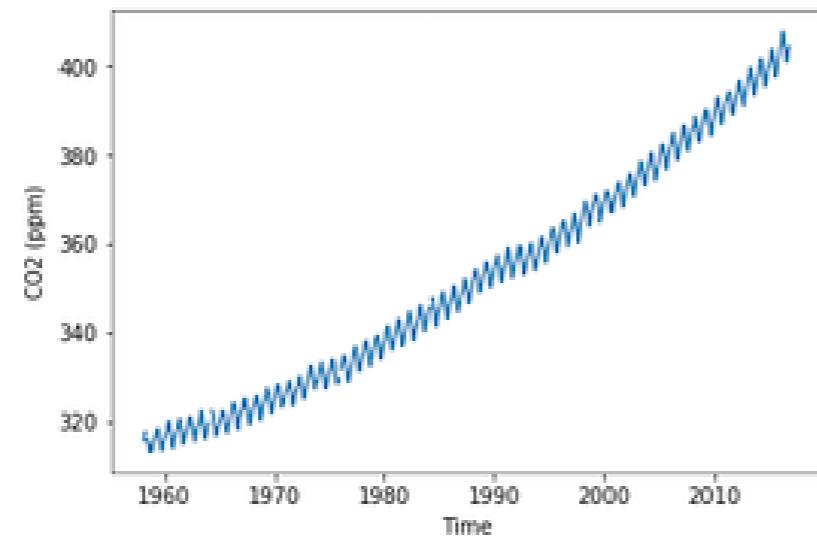
```
climate_change['co2']
```

```
0      315.71
1      317.45
2      317.50
3        NaN
4      315.86
5      314.93
6      313.20
7        NaN
...
701    402.27
702    401.05
703    401.59
704    403.55
705    404.45
Name:co2, Length: 706, dtype: float64
```

# Plotting time-series data

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

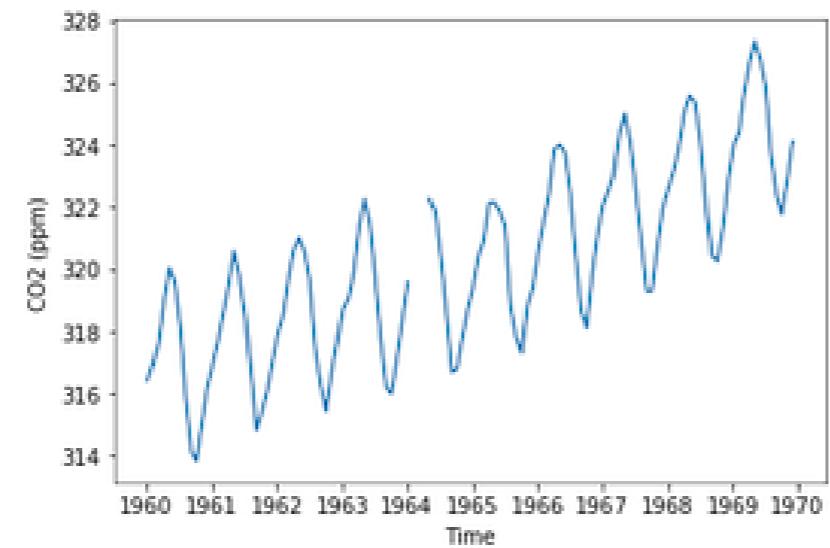
```
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change['co2'])  
ax.set_xlabel('Time')  
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm)')  
plt.show()
```



# Zooming in on a decade

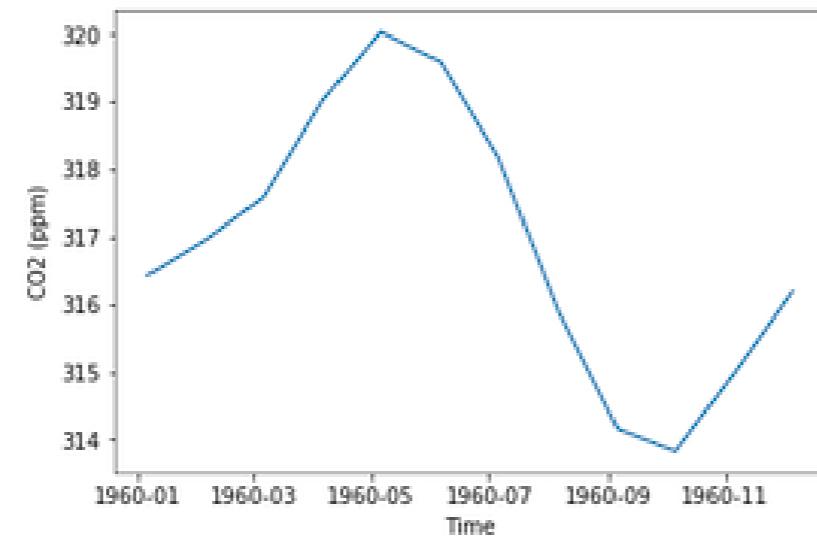
```
sixties = climate_change["1960-01-01":"1969-12-31"]
```

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.plot(sixties.index, sixties['co2'])  
ax.set_xlabel('Time')  
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm)')  
plt.show()
```



# Zooming in on one year

```
sixty_nine = climate_change["1969-01-01":"1969-12-31"]
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(sixty_nine.index, sixty_nine['co2'])
ax.set_xlabel('Time')
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm)')
plt.show()
```



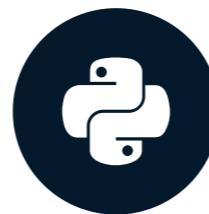
# **Let's practice time-series plotting!**

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# Plotting time-series with different variables

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# Plotting two time-series together

```
import pandas as pd  
climate_change = pd.read_csv('climate_change.csv',  
                             parse_dates=["date"],  
                             index_col="date")
```

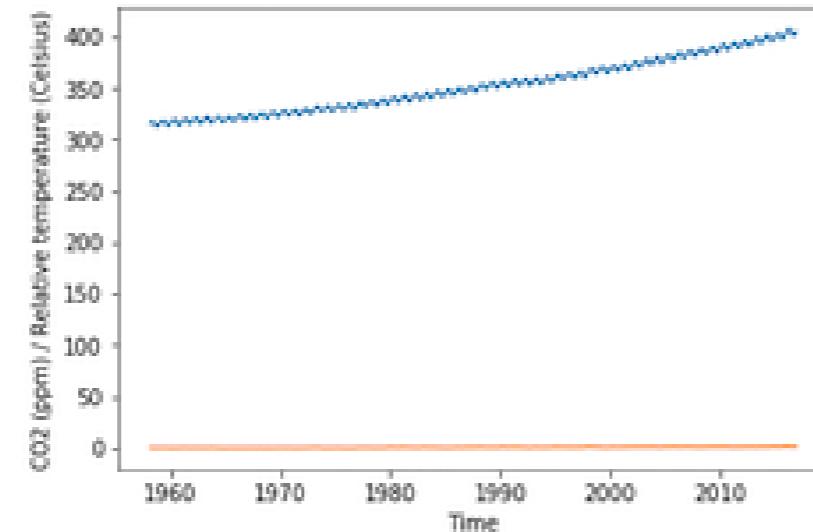
```
climate_change
```

```
      co2  relative_temp  
date  
1958-03-06    315.71        0.10  
1958-04-06    317.45        0.01  
1958-07-06    315.86        0.06  
...            ...          ...  
2016-11-06    403.55        0.93  
2016-12-06    404.45        0.81
```

[706 rows x 2 columns]

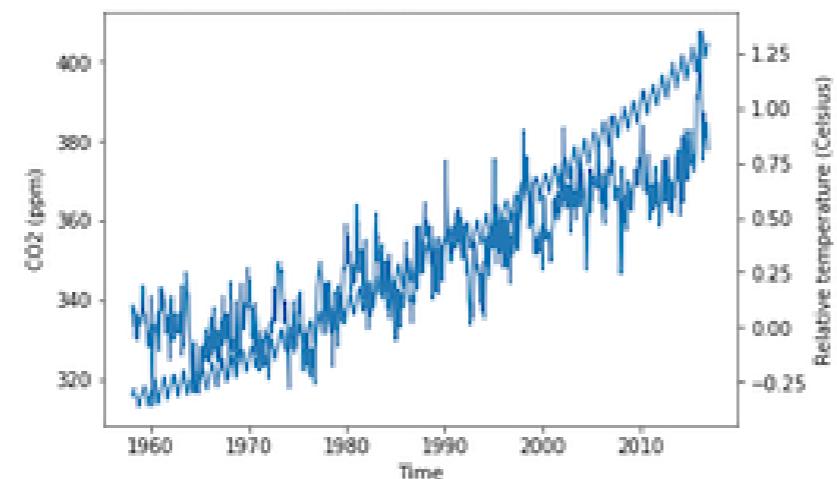
# Plotting two time-series together

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["co2"])  
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["relative_temp"])  
ax.set_xlabel('Time')  
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm) / Relative temperature')  
plt.show()
```



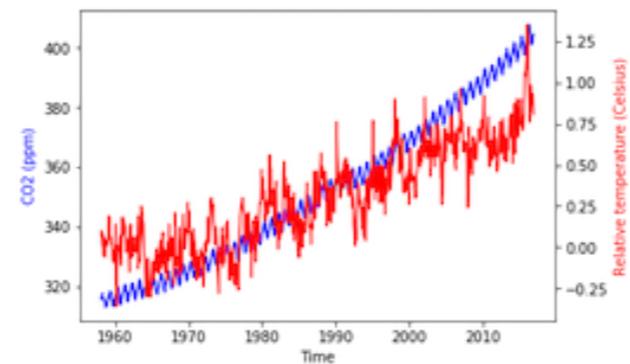
# Using twin axes

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["co2"])  
ax.set_xlabel('Time')  
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm)')  
ax2 = ax.twinx()  
ax2.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["relative_temp"])  
ax2.set_ylabel('Relative temperature (Celsius)')  
plt.show()
```



# Separating variables by color

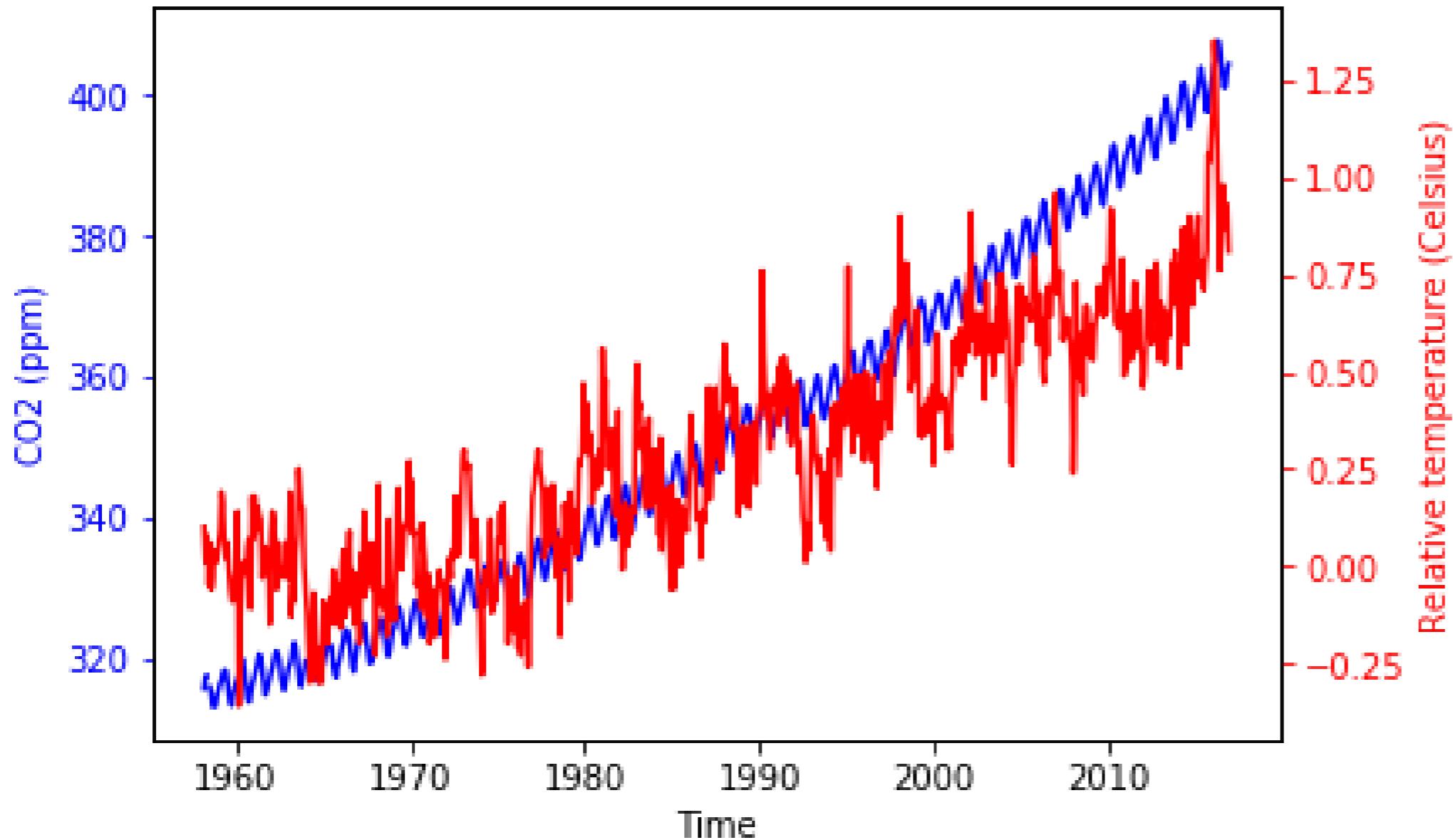
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["co2"], color='blue')
ax.set_xlabel('Time')
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm)', color='blue')
ax2 = ax.twinx()
ax2.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["relative_temp"],
          color='red')
ax2.set_ylabel('Relative temperature (Celsius)', color='red')
plt.show()
```



# Coloring the ticks

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["co2"],
         color='blue')
ax.set_xlabel('Time')
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm)', color='blue')
ax.tick_params('y', colors='blue')
ax2 = ax.twinx()
ax2.plot(climate_change.index,
          climate_change["relative_temp"],
          color='red')
ax2.set_ylabel('Relative temperature (Celsius)',
color='red')
ax2.tick_params('y', colors='red')
plt.show()
```

# Coloring the ticks

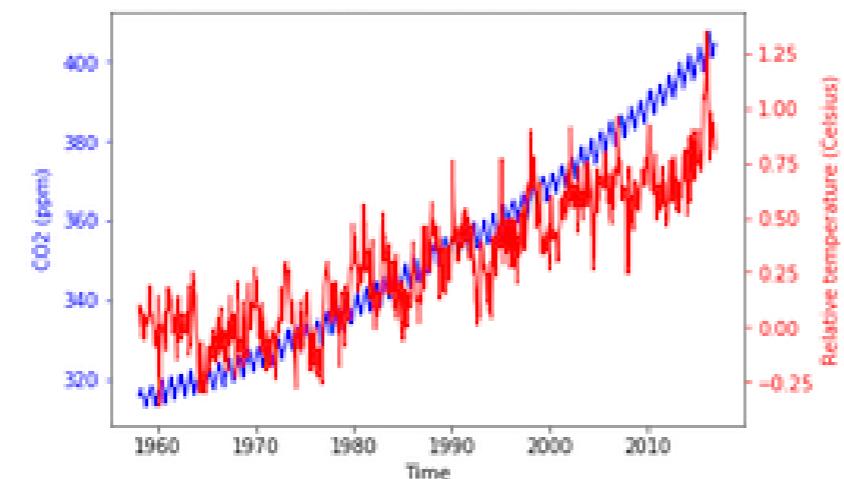


# A function that plots time-series

```
def plot_timeseries(axes, x, y, color, xlabel, ylabel):  
    axes.plot(x, y, color=color)  
    axes.set_xlabel(xlabel)  
    axes.set_ylabel(ylabel, color=color)  
    axes.tick_params('y', colors=color)
```

# Using our function

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
plot_timeseries(ax, climate_change.index, climate_change['co2'],
                 'blue', 'Time', 'CO2 (ppm)')
ax2 = ax.twinx()
plot_timeseries(ax, climate_change.index,
                 climate_change['relative_temp'],
                 'red', 'Time', 'Relative temperature (Celsius)')
plt.show()
```

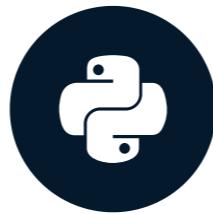


# Create your own function!

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# Annotating time-series data

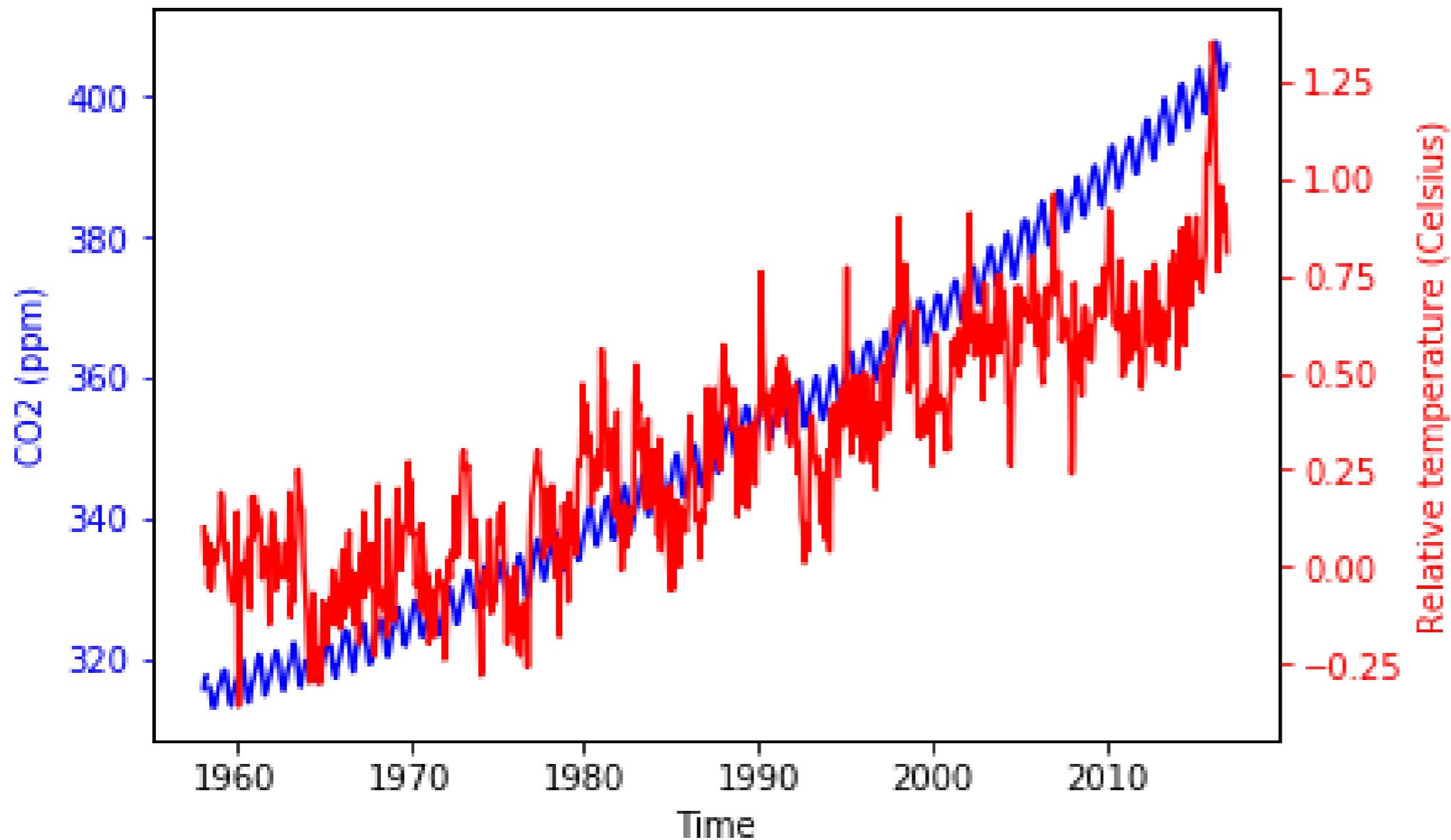
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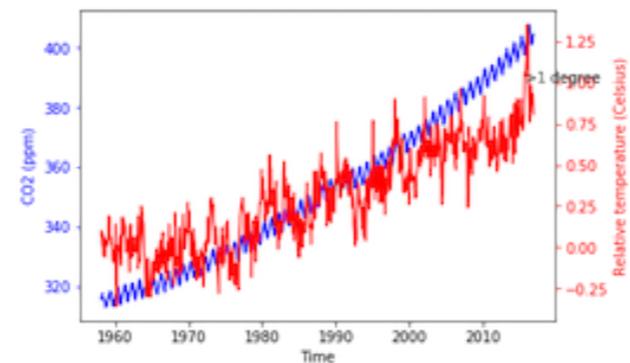
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# Time-series data



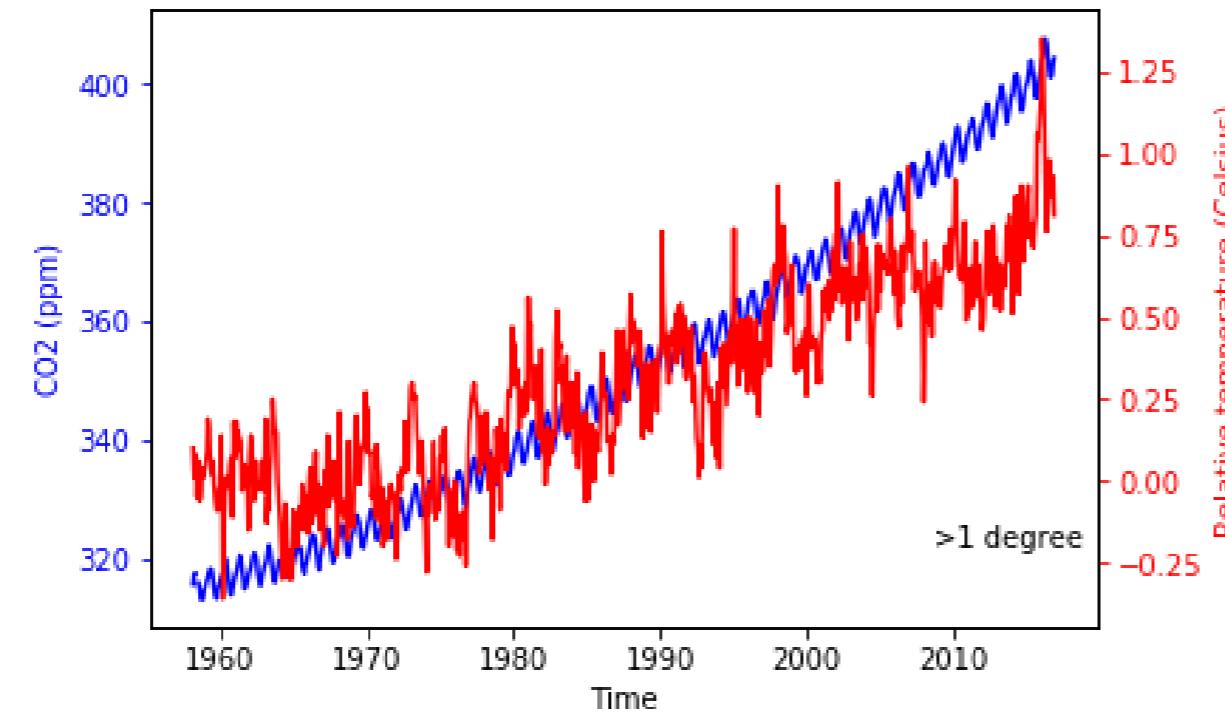
# Annotation

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
plot_timeseries(ax, climate_change.index, climate_change['co2'],
                 'blue', 'Time', 'CO2 (ppm)')
ax2 = ax.twinx()
plot_timeseries(ax2, climate_change.index,
                 climate_change['relative_temp'],
                 'red', 'Time', 'Relative temperature (Celsius)')
ax2.annotate(">1 degree", xy=[pd.Timestamp("2015-10-06"), 1])
plt.show()
```



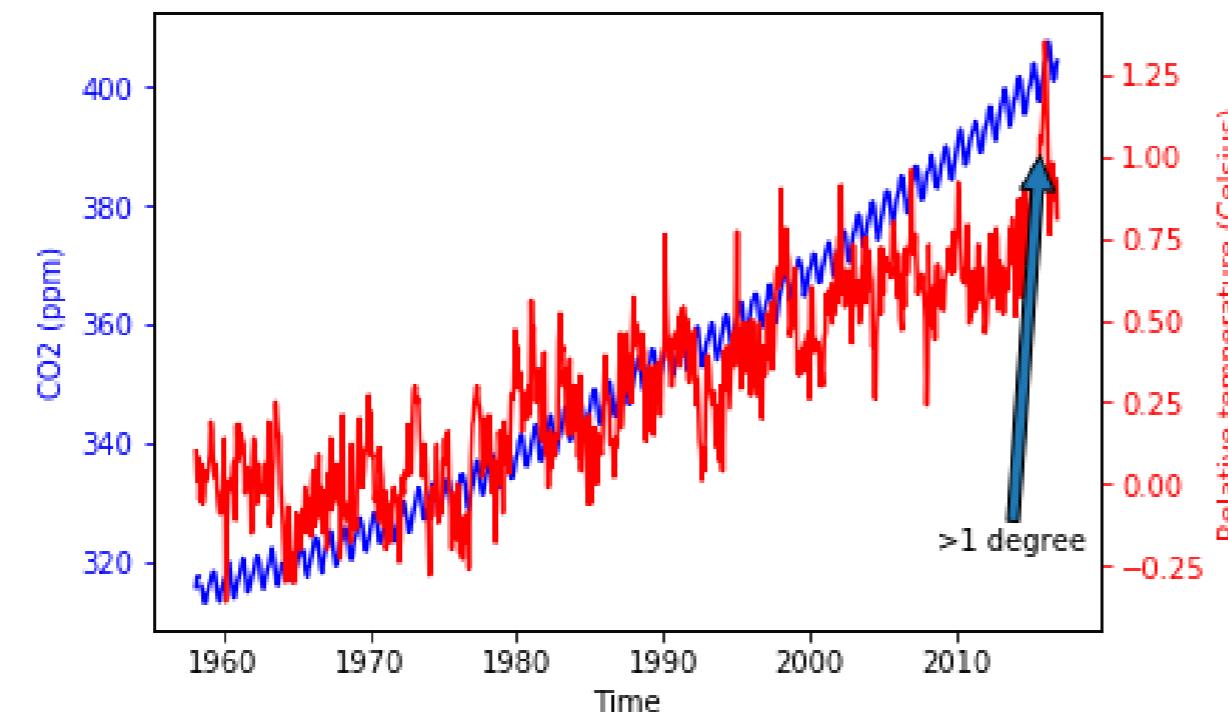
# Positioning the text

```
ax2.annotate(">1 degree",  
            xy=(pd.Timestamp('2015-10-06'), 1),  
            xytext=(pd.Timestamp('2008-10-06'), -0.2))
```



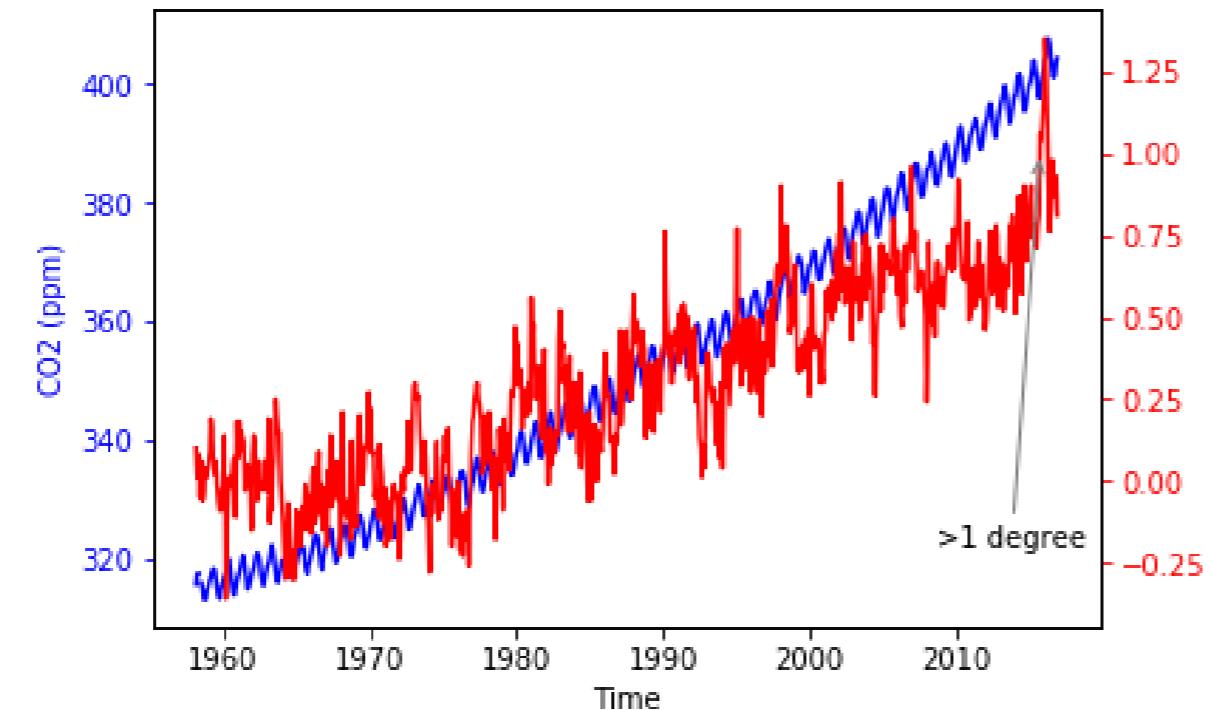
# Adding arrows to annotation

```
ax2.annotate(">1 degree",
            xy=(pd.Timestamp('2015-10-06'), 1),
            xytext=(pd.Timestamp('2008-10-06'), -0.2),
            arrowprops={})
```



# Customizing arrow properties

```
ax2.annotate(">1 degree",
    xy=(pd.Timestamp('2015-10-06'), 1),
    xytext=(pd.Timestamp('2008-10-06'), -0.2),
    arrowprops={"arrowstyle": "->", "color": "gray"})
```



# Customizing annotations

<https://matplotlib.org/users/annotations.html>

# **Practice annotating plots!**

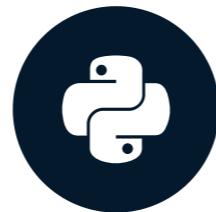
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# Quantitative comparisons: bar- charts

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# Olympic medals

, Gold, Silver, Bronze

United States, 137, 52, 67

Germany, 47, 43, 67

Great Britain, 64, 55, 26

Russia, 50, 28, 35

China, 44, 30, 35

France, 20, 55, 21

Australia, 23, 34, 25

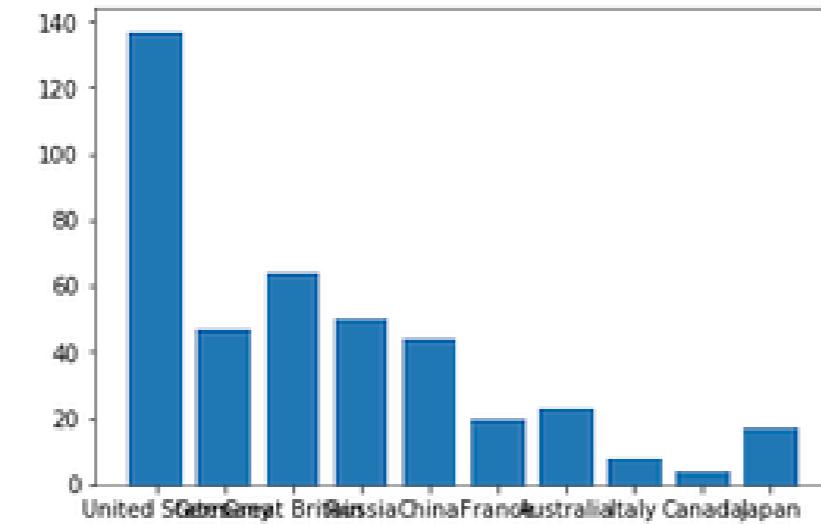
Italy, 8, 38, 24

Canada, 4, 4, 61

Japan, 17, 13, 34

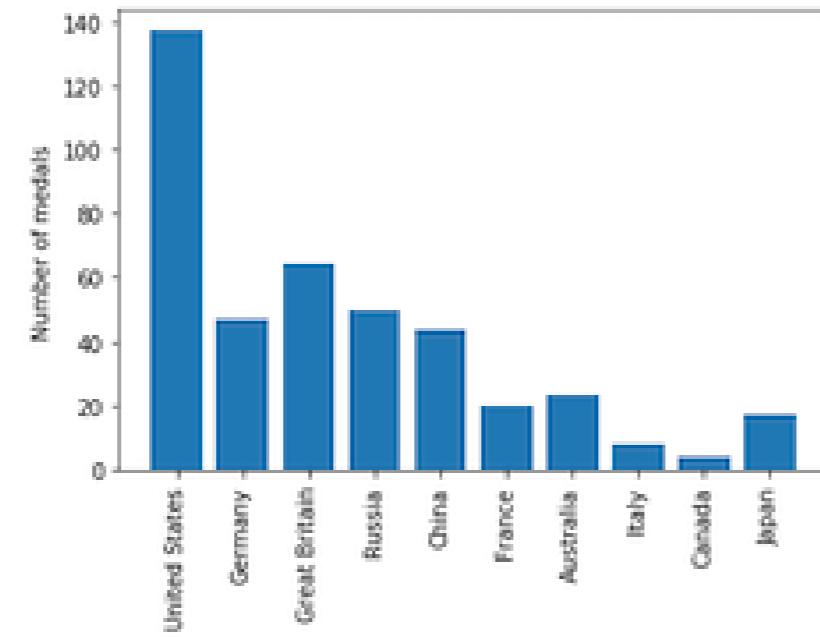
# Olympic medals: visualizing the data

```
medals = pd.read_csv('medals_by_country_2016.csv', index_col=0)
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Gold"])
plt.show()
```



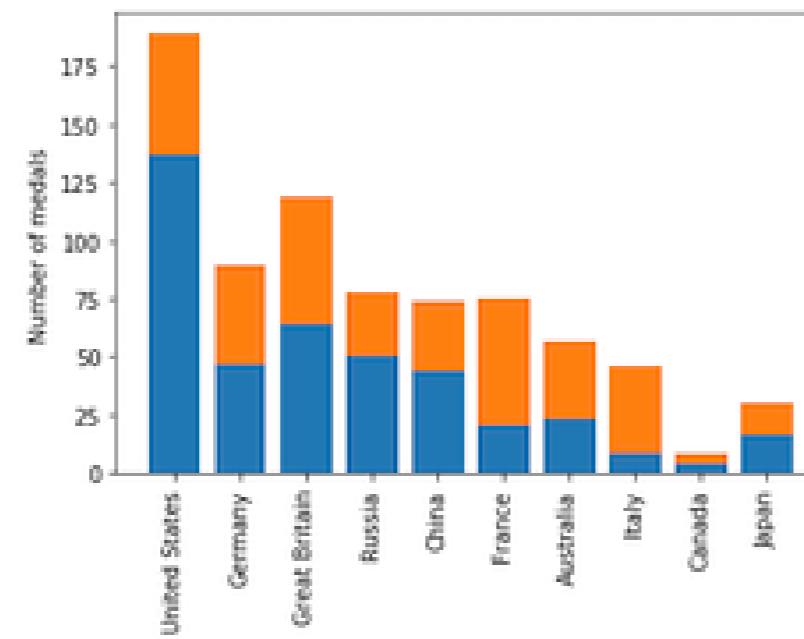
# Interlude: rotate the tick labels

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Gold"])  
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)  
ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")  
plt.show()
```



# Olympic medals: visualizing the other medals

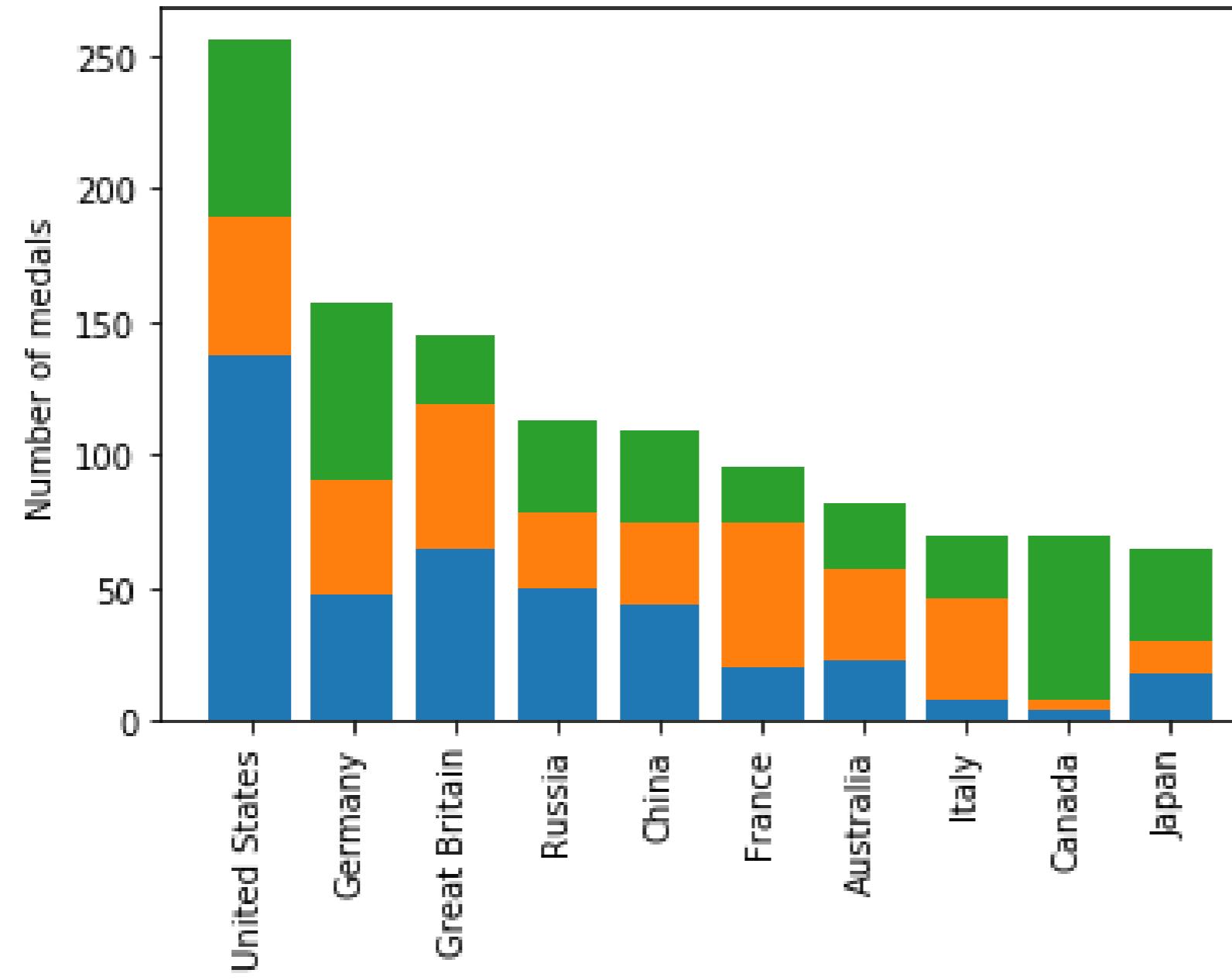
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Gold"])  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Silver"], bottom=medals["Gold"])  
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)  
ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")  
plt.show()
```



# Olympic medals: visualizing all three

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Gold"])  
  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Silver"], bottom=medals["Gold"])  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Bronze"],  
       bottom=medals["Gold"] + medals["Silver"])  
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)  
ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")  
plt.show()
```

# Stacked bar chart



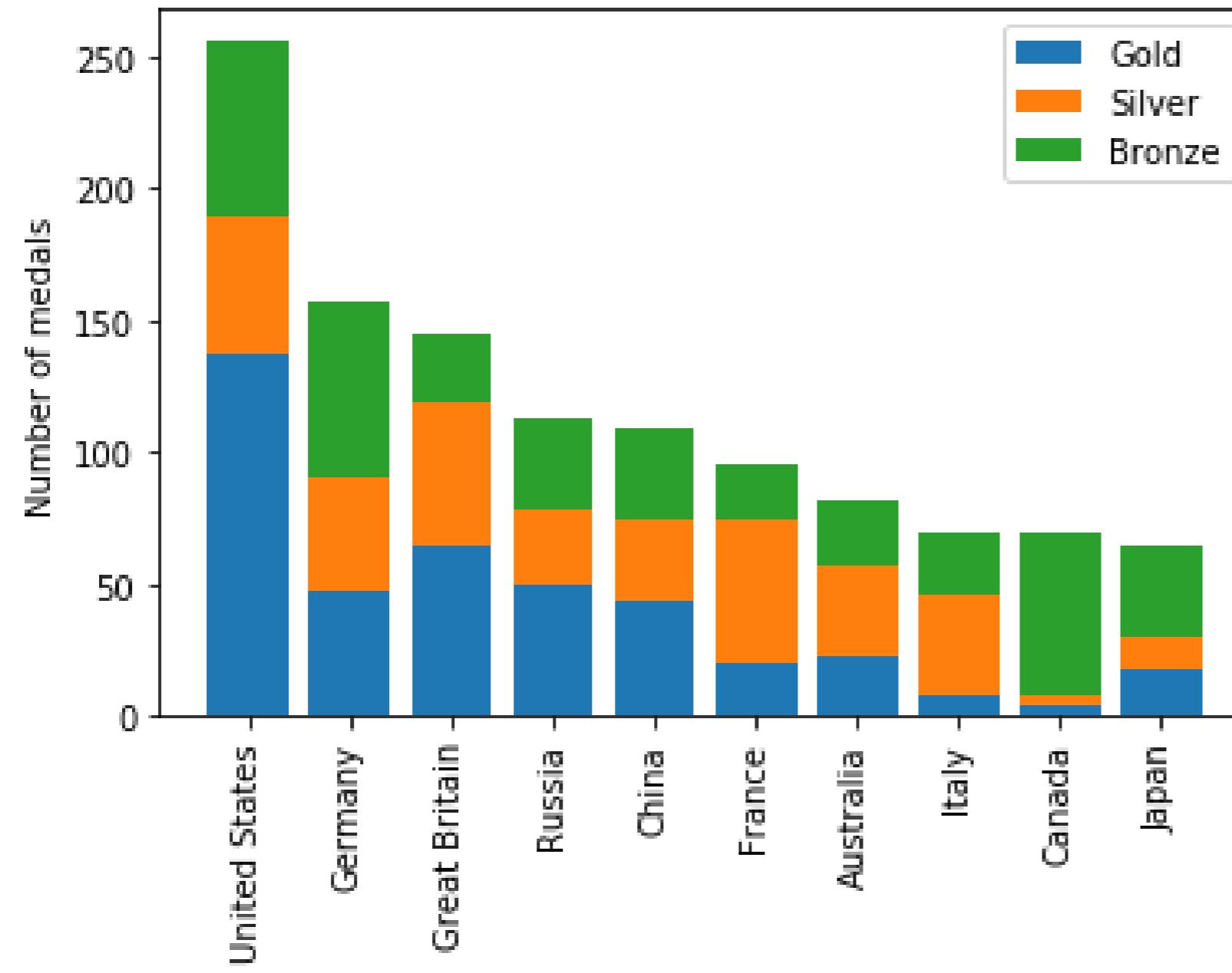
# Adding a legend

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Gold"])  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Silver"], bottom=medals["Gold"])  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Bronze"],  
       bottom=medals["Gold"] + medals["Silver"])  
  
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)  
ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")
```

# Adding a legend

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Gold"], label="Gold")  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Silver"], bottom=medals["Gold"],  
       label="Silver")  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Bronze"],  
       bottom=medals["Gold"] + medals["Silver"],  
       label="Bronze")  
  
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)  
ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")  
ax.legend()  
plt.show()
```

# Stacked bar chart with legend



# Create a bar chart!

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# Quantitative comparisons: histograms

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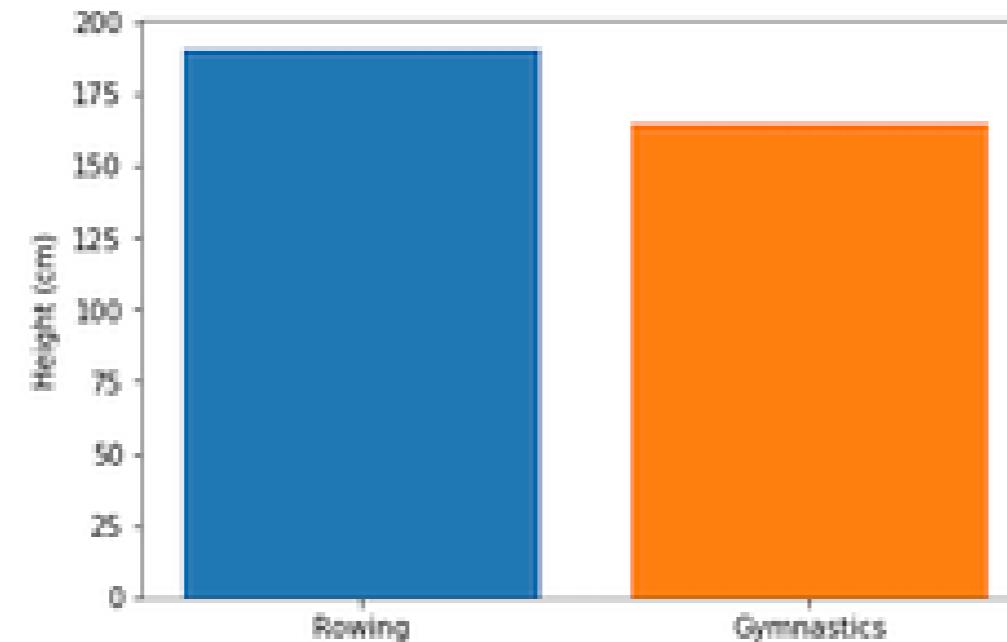


# Histograms

ID		Name	Sex	Age	Height	Weight	Team	NOC	Games	Year	Season	City	Sport	Event	Medal
158	62	Giovanni Abagnale	M	21.0	198.0	90.0	Italy	ITA	2016 Summer	2016	Summer	Rio de Janeiro	Rowing	Rowing Men's Coxless Pairs	Bronze
11648	6346	Jrmie Azou	M	27.0	178.0	71.0	France	FRA	2016 Summer	2016	Summer	Rio de Janeiro	Rowing	Rowing Men's Lightweight Double Sculls	Gold
14871	8025	Thomas Gabriel Jrmie Baroukh	M	28.0	183.0	70.0	France	FRA	2016 Summer	2016	Summer	Rio de Janeiro	Rowing	Rowing Men's Lightweight Coxless Fours	Bronze
15215	8214	Jacob Jepsen Barse	M	27.0	188.0	73.0	Denmark	DEN	2016 Summer	2016	Summer	Rio de Janeiro	Rowing	Rowing Men's Lightweight Coxless Fours	Silver
18441	9764	Alexander Belonogoff	M	26.0	187.0	90.0	Australia	AUS	2016 Summer	2016	Summer	Rio de Janeiro	Rowing	Rowing Men's Quadruple Sculls	Silver

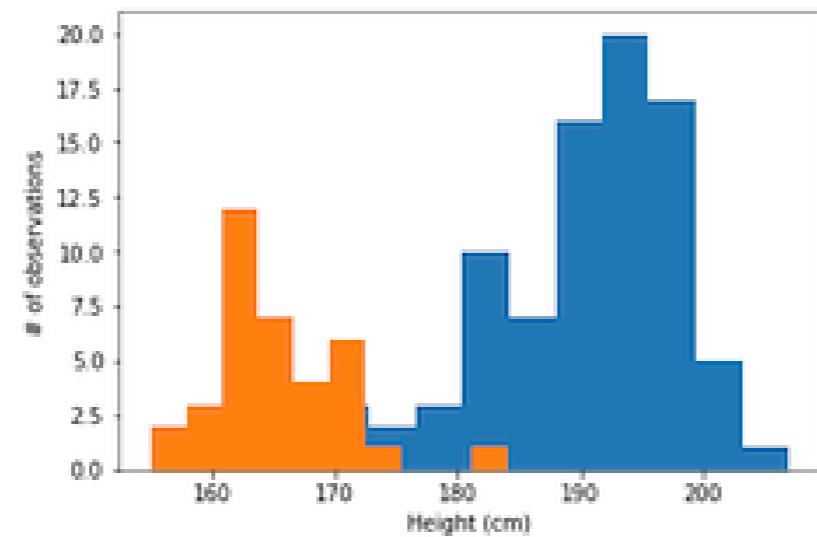
# A bar chart again

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.bar("Rowing", mens_rowing["Height"].mean())  
ax.bar("Gymnastics", mens_gymnastics["Height"].mean())  
ax.set_ylabel("Height (cm)")  
plt.show()
```



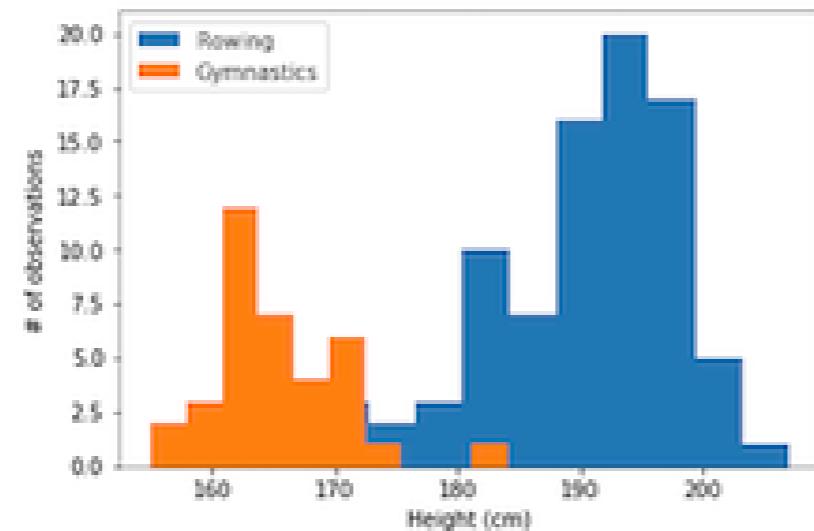
# Introducing histograms

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.hist(mens_rowing["Height"])  
ax.hist(mens_gymnastic["Height"])  
ax.set_xlabel("Height (cm)")  
ax.set_ylabel("# of observations")  
plt.show()
```



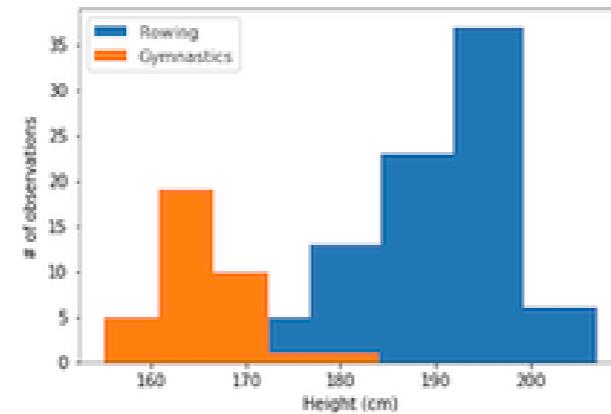
# Labels are needed

```
ax.hist(mens_rowing["Height"], label="Rowing")
ax.hist(mens_gymnastic["Height"], label="Gymnastics")
ax.set_xlabel("Height (cm)")
ax.set_ylabel("# of observations")
ax.legend()
plt.show()
```



# Customizing histograms: setting the number of bins

```
ax.hist(mens_rowing["Height"], label="Rowing", bins=5)
ax.hist(mens_gymnastic["Height"], label="Gymnastics", bins=5)
ax.set_xlabel("Height (cm)")
ax.set_ylabel("# of observations")
ax.legend()
plt.show()
```

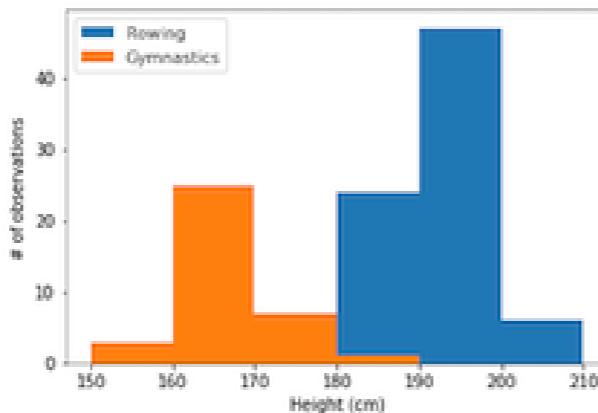


# Customizing histograms: setting bin boundaries

```
ax.hist(mens_rowing["Height"], label="Rowing",
        bins=[150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210])

ax.hist(mens_gymnastic["Height"], label="Gymnastics",
        bins=[150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210])

ax.set_xlabel("Height (cm)")
ax.set_ylabel("# of observations")
ax.legend()
plt.show()
```



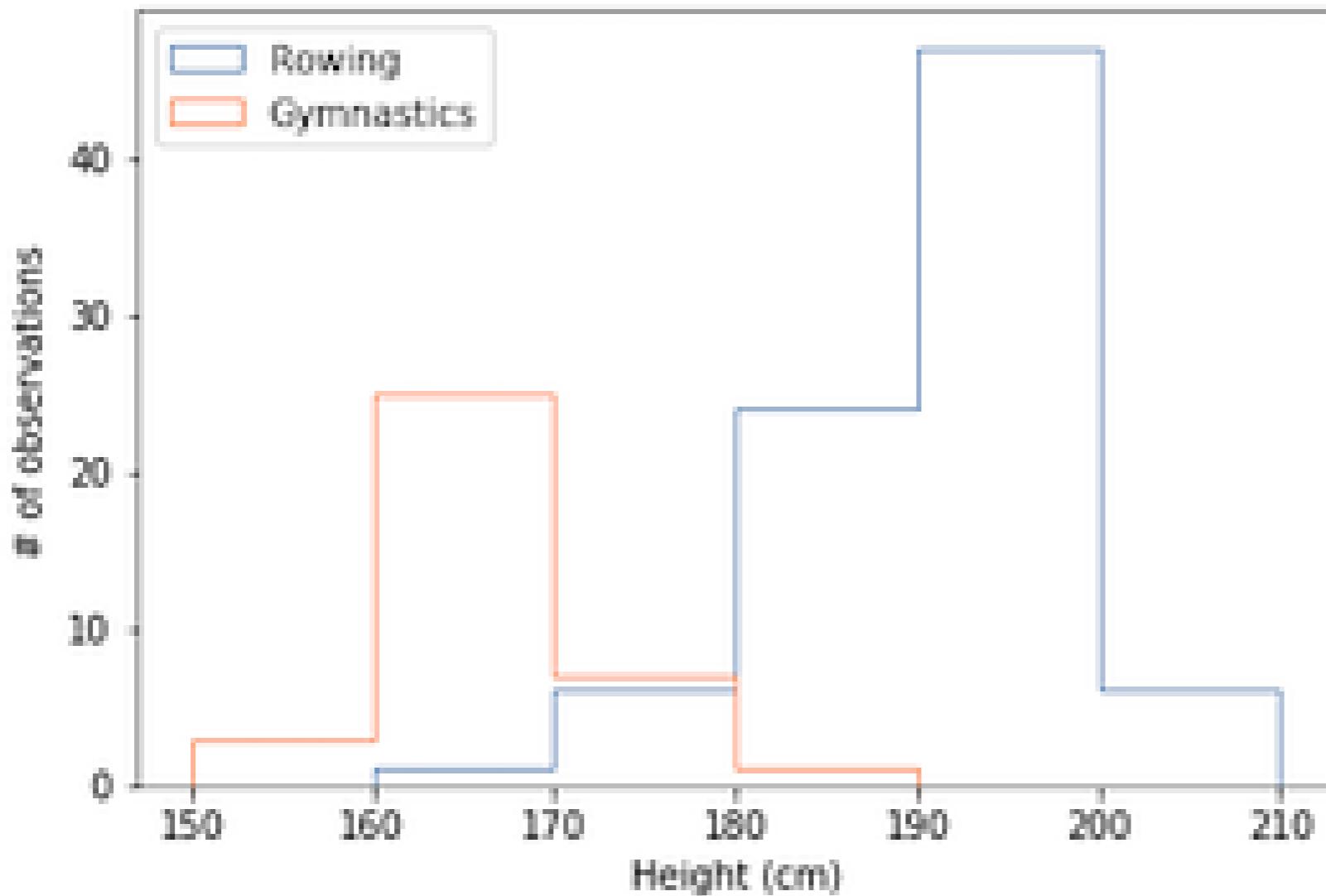
# Customizing histograms: transparency

```
ax.hist(mens_rowing["Height"], label="Rowing",
        bins=[150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210],
        histtype="step")

ax.hist(mens_gymnastic["Height"], label="Gymnastics",
        bins=[150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210],
        histtype="step")

ax.set_xlabel("Height (cm)")
ax.set_ylabel("# of observations")
ax.legend()
plt.show()
```

# Histogram with a histtype of step

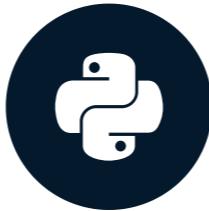


# Create your own histogram!

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# Statistical plotting

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# Adding error bars to bar charts

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

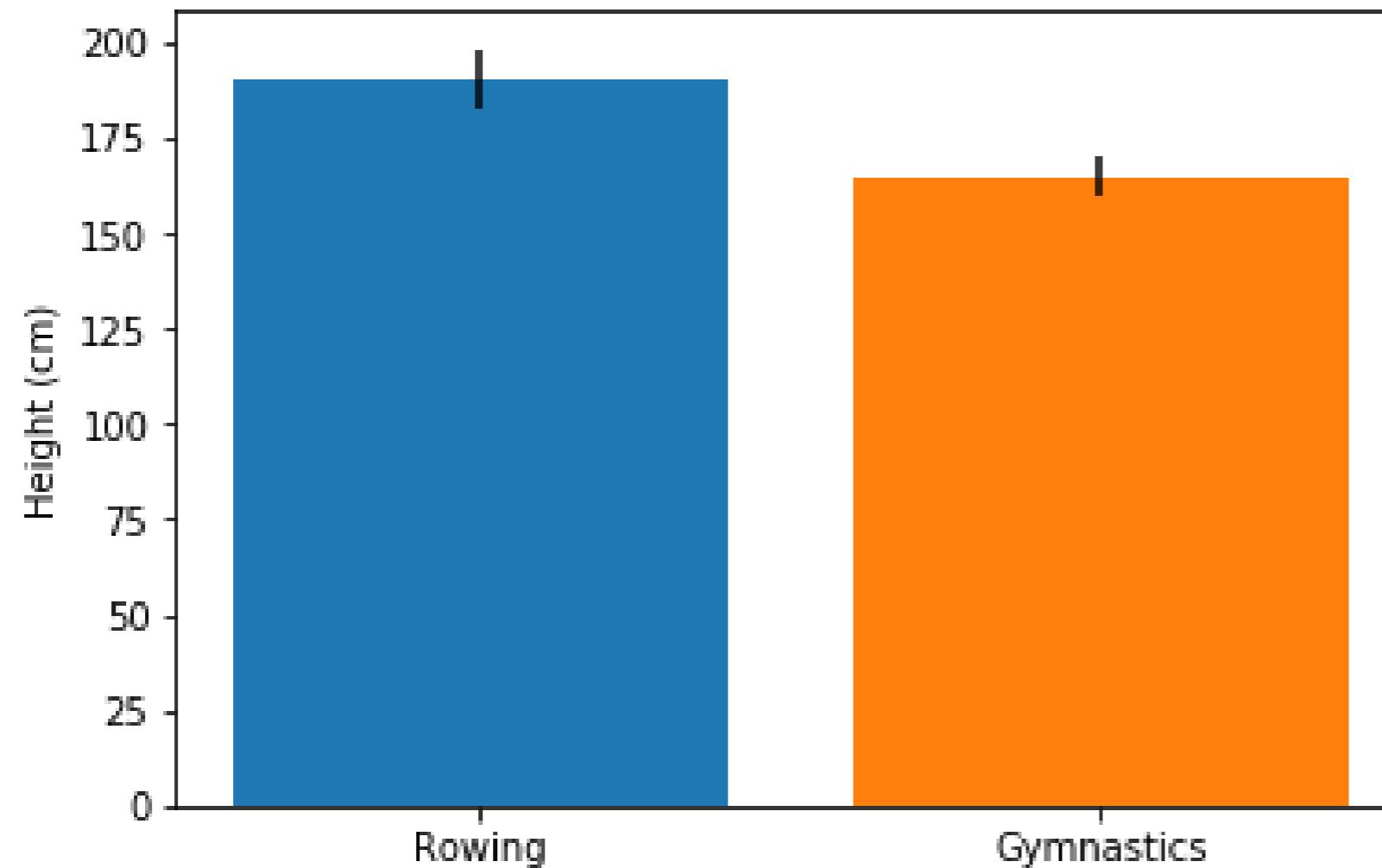
ax.bar("Rowing",
       mens_rowing["Height"].mean(),
       yerr=mens_rowing["Height"].std())

ax.bar("Gymnastics",
       mens_gymnastics["Height"].mean(),
       yerr=mens_gymnastics["Height"].std())

ax.set_ylabel("Height (cm)")

plt.show()
```

# Error bars in a bar chart



# Adding error bars to plots

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

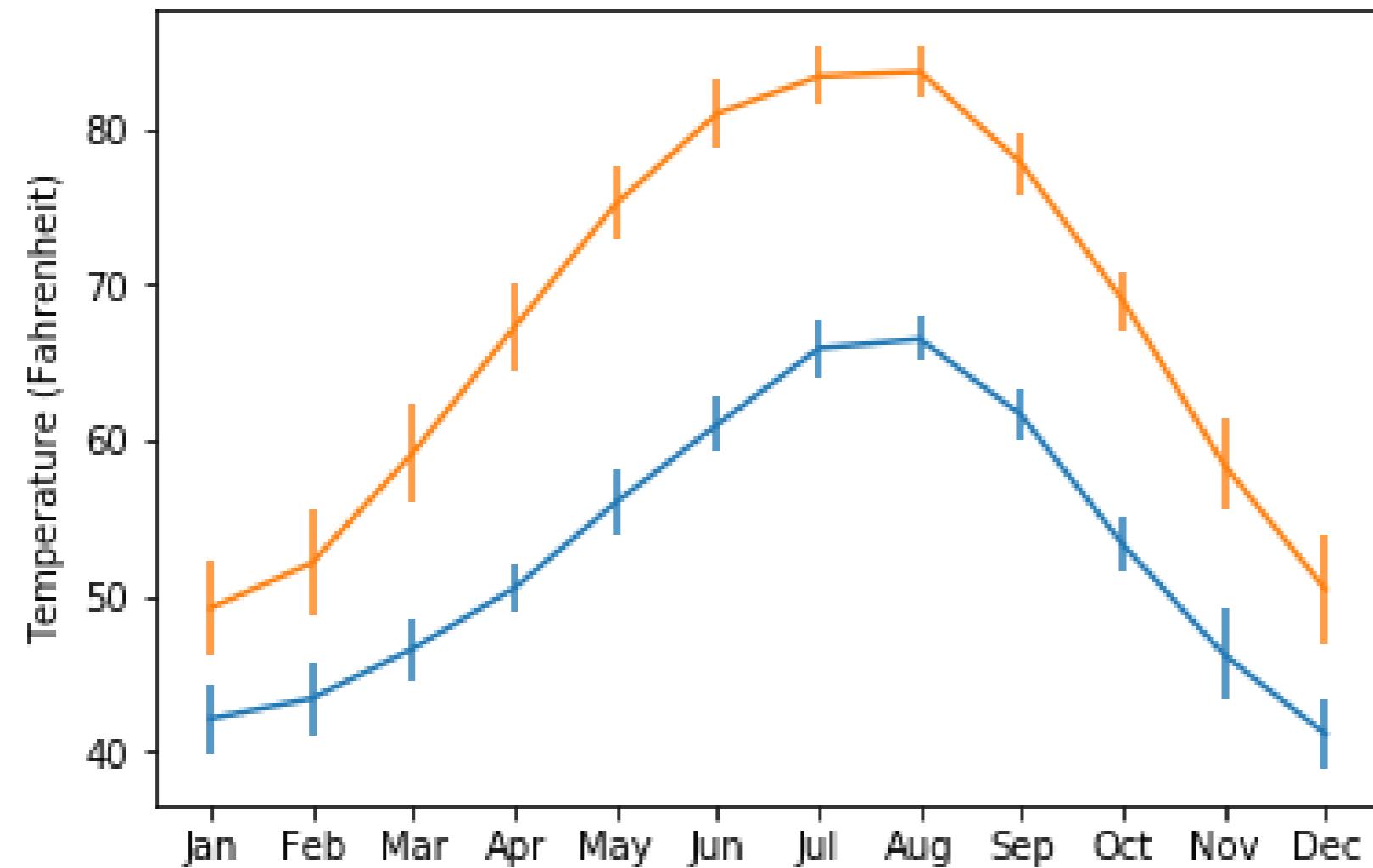
ax.errorbar(seattle_weather["MONTH"],
            seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"],
            yerr=seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-STDDEV"])

ax.errorbar(austin_weather["MONTH"],
            austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"],
            yerr=austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-STDDEV"])

ax.set_ylabel("Temperature (Fahrenheit)")

plt.show()
```

# Error bars in plots

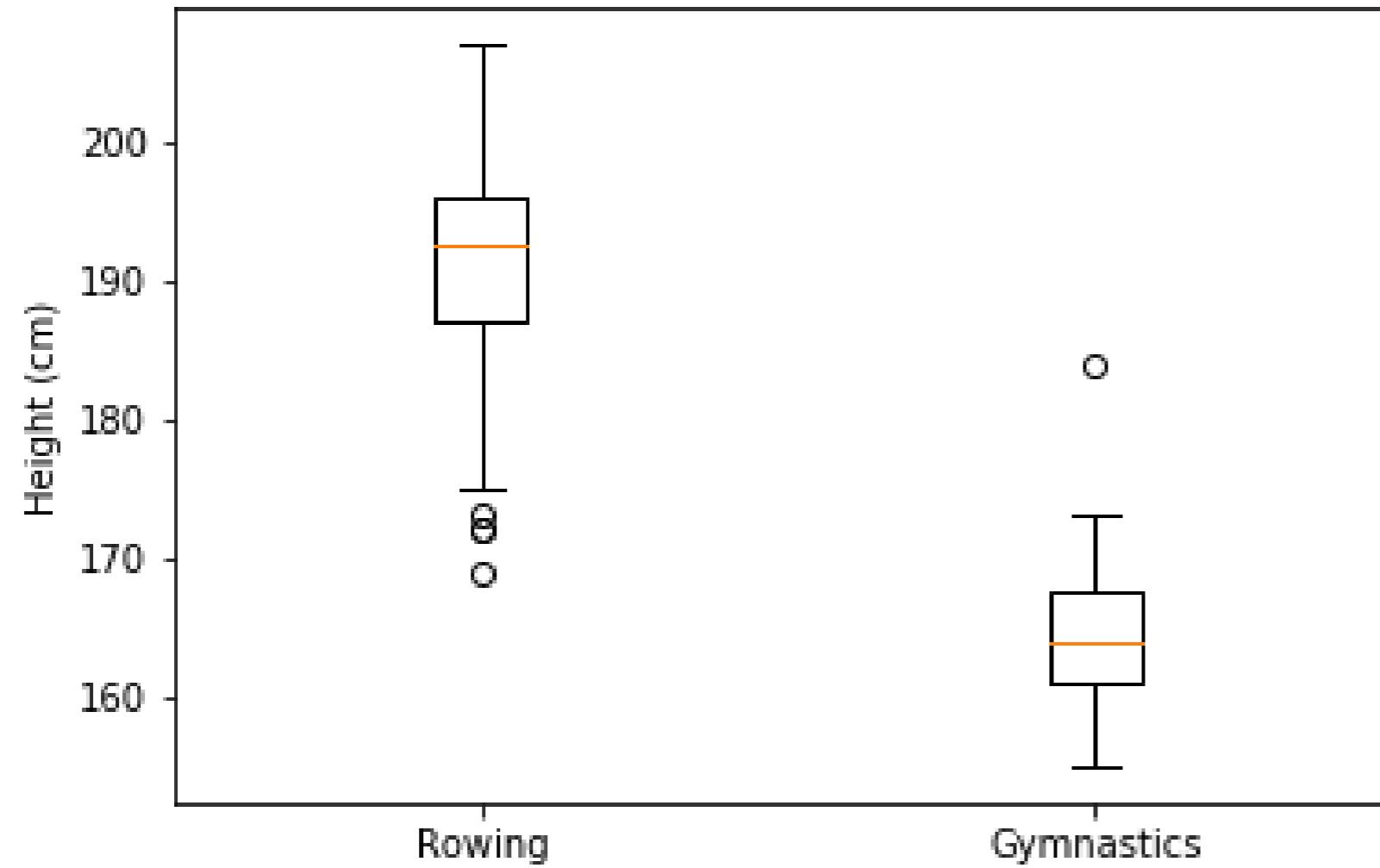


# Adding boxplots

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.boxplot([mens_rowing["Height"],
            mens_gymnastics["Height"]])
ax.set_xticklabels(["Rowing", "Gymnastics"])
ax.set_ylabel("Height (cm)")

plt.show()
```

# Interpreting boxplots



# Try it yourself!

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# Quantitative comparisons: scatter plots

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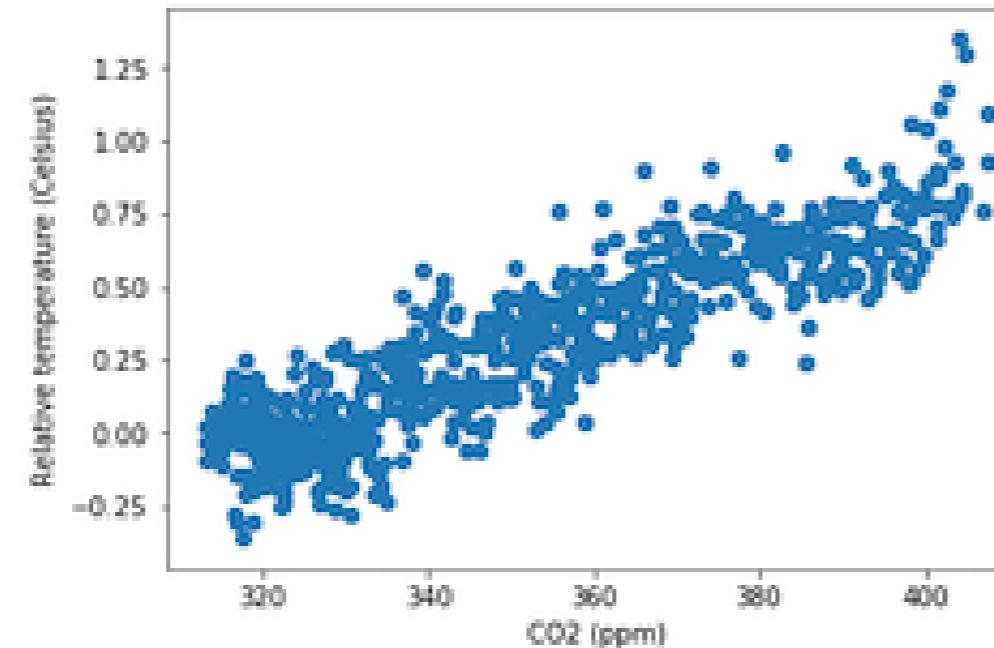
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# Introducing scatter plots

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.scatter(climate_change["co2"], climate_change["relative_temp"])  
ax.set_xlabel("CO2 (ppm)")  
ax.set_ylabel("Relative temperature (Celsius)")  
plt.show()
```



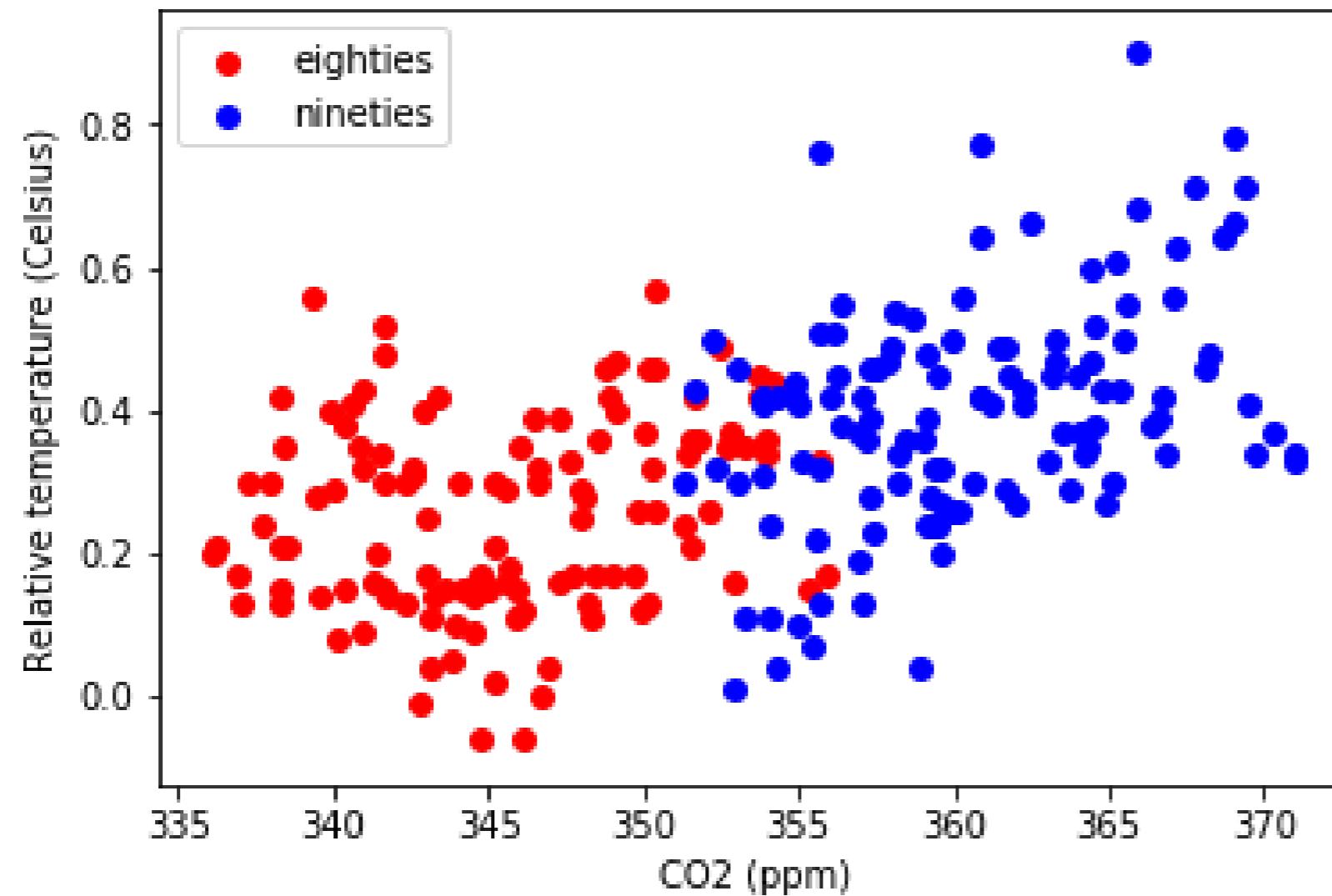
# Customizing scatter plots

```
eighties = climate_change["1980-01-01":"1989-12-31"]
nineties = climate_change["1990-01-01":"1999-12-31"]
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.scatter(eighties["co2"], eighties["relative_temp"],
           color="red", label="eighties")
ax.scatter(nineties["co2"], nineties["relative_temp"],
           color="blue", label="nineties")
ax.legend()

ax.set_xlabel("CO2 (ppm)")
ax.set_ylabel("Relative temperature (Celsius)")

plt.show()
```

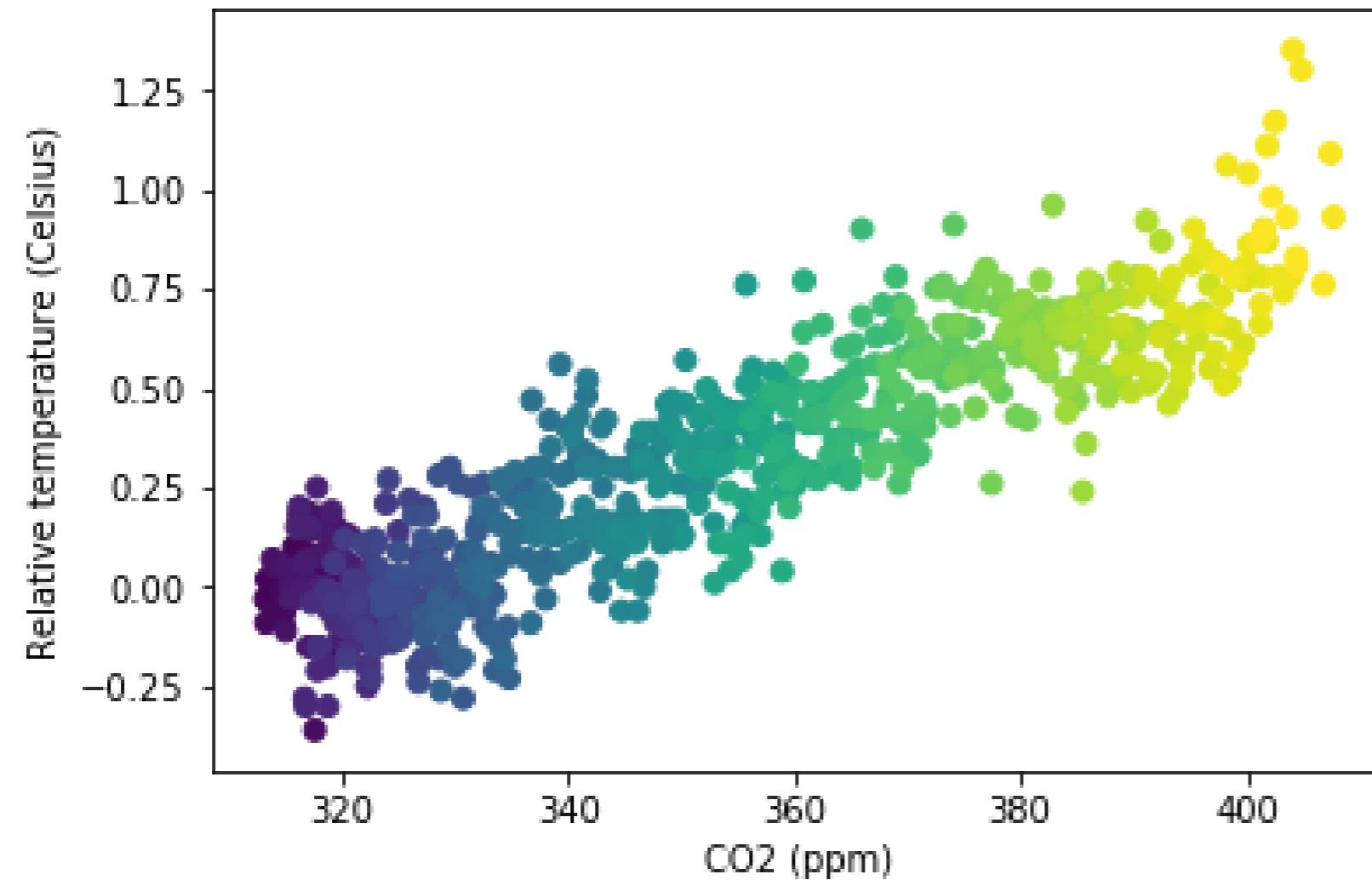
# Encoding a comparison by color



# Encoding a third variable by color

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.scatter(climate_change["co2"], climate_change["relative_temp"],  
           c=climate_change.index)  
ax.set_xlabel("CO2 (ppm)")  
ax.set_ylabel("Relative temperature (Celsius)")  
plt.show()
```

# Encoding time in color



**Practice making  
your own scatter  
plots!**

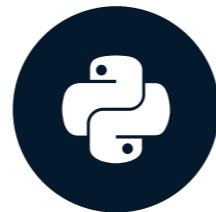
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# Preparing your figures to share with others

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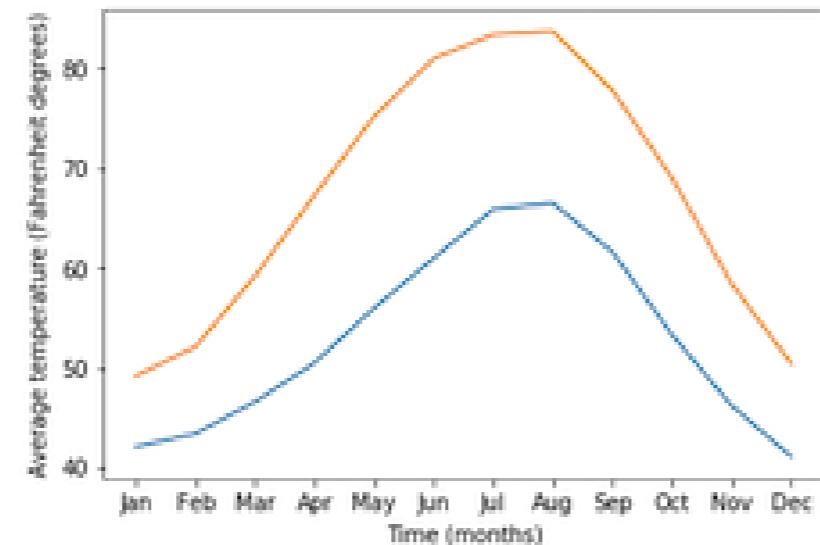
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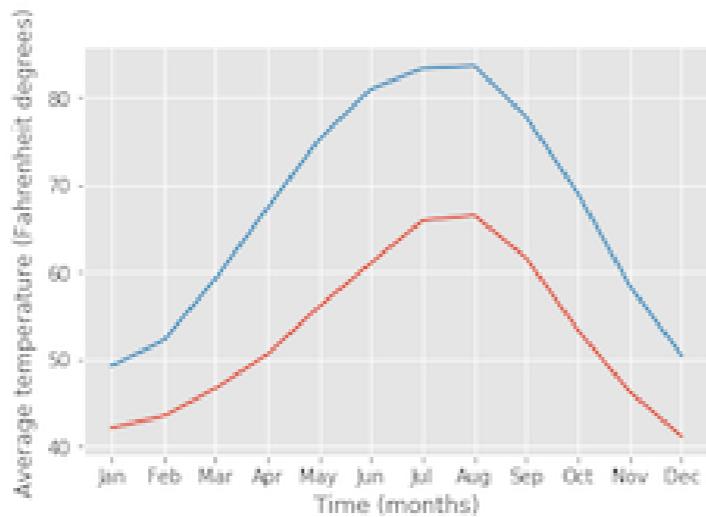
# Changing plot style

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"]  
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])  
ax.set_xlabel("Time (months)")  
ax.set_ylabel("Average temperature (Fahrenheit degrees)")  
plt.show()
```



# Choosing a style

```
plt.style.use("ggplot")
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
ax.set_xlabel("Time (months)")
ax.set_ylabel("Average temperature (Fahrenheit degrees)")
plt.show()
```



# Back to the default

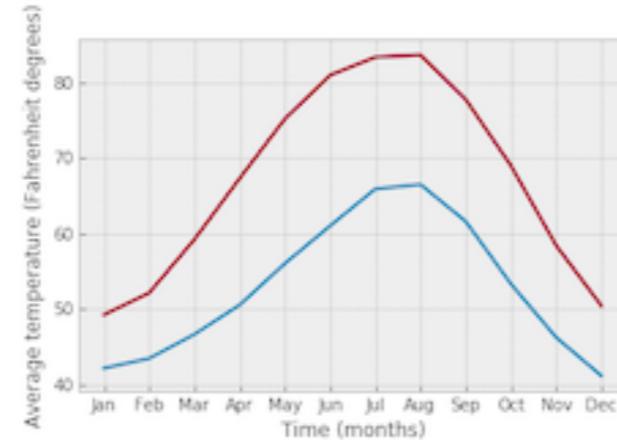
```
plt.style.use("default")
```

# The available styles

[https://matplotlib.org/gallery/style\\_sheets/style\\_sheets\\_reference.html](https://matplotlib.org/gallery/style_sheets/style_sheets_reference.html)

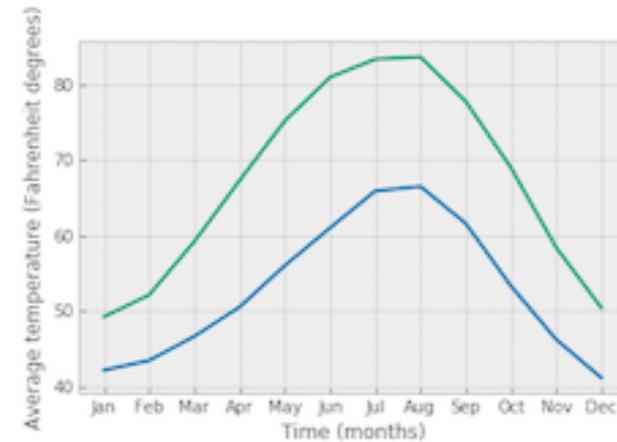
# The "bmh" style

```
plt.style.use("bmh")
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
ax.set_xlabel("Time (months)")
ax.set_ylabel("Average temperature (Fahrenheit degrees)")
plt.show()
```



# Seaborn styles

```
plt.style.use("seaborn-colorblind")
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
ax.plot(austin_weather["MONTH"], austin_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"])
ax.set_xlabel("Time (months)")
ax.set_ylabel("Average temperature (Fahrenheit degrees)")
plt.show()
```



# Guidelines for choosing plotting style

- Dark backgrounds are usually less visible
- If color is important, consider choosing colorblind-friendly options
  - "seaborn-colorblind" or "tableau-colorblind10"
- If you think that someone will want to print your figure, use less ink
- If it will be printed in black-and-white, use the "grayscale" style

**Practice choosing  
the right style for  
you!**

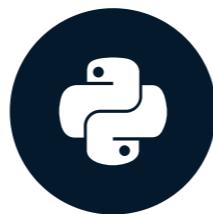
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# Sharing your visualizations with others

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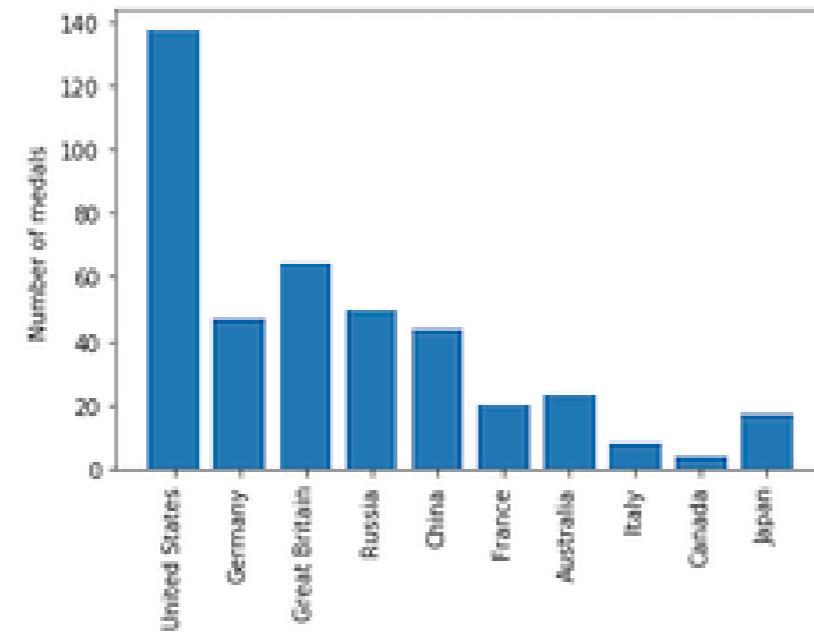


# A figure to share

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

ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Gold"])
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)
ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")

plt.show()
```



# Saving the figure to file

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()  
  
ax.bar(medals.index, medals["Gold"])  
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)  
ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")  
  
fig.savefig("gold_medals.png")
```

```
ls
```

```
gold_medals.png
```

# Different file formats

```
fig.savefig("gold_medals.jpg")
```

```
fig.savefig("gold_medals.jpg", quality=50)
```

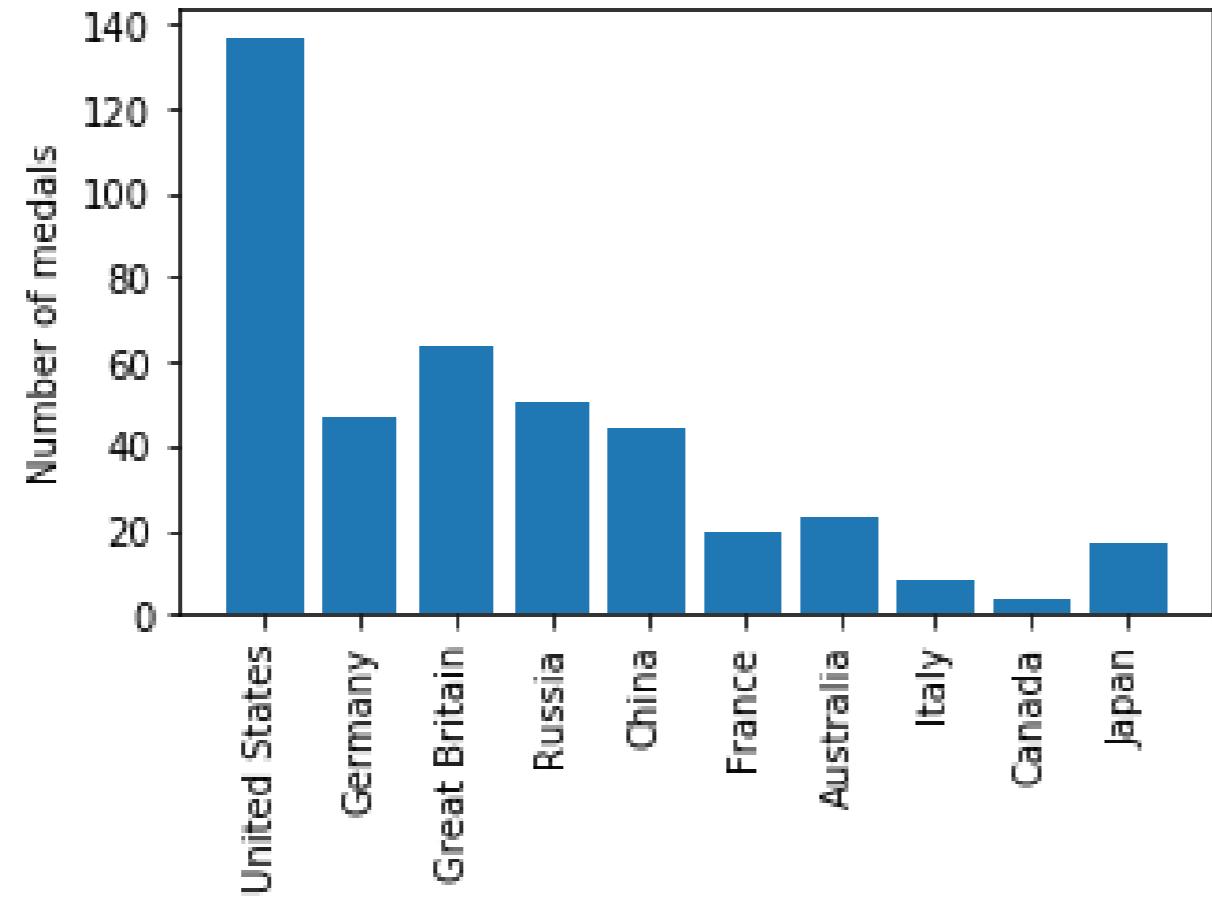
```
fig.savefig("gold_medals.svg")
```

# Resolution

```
fig.savefig("gold_medals.png", dpi=300)
```

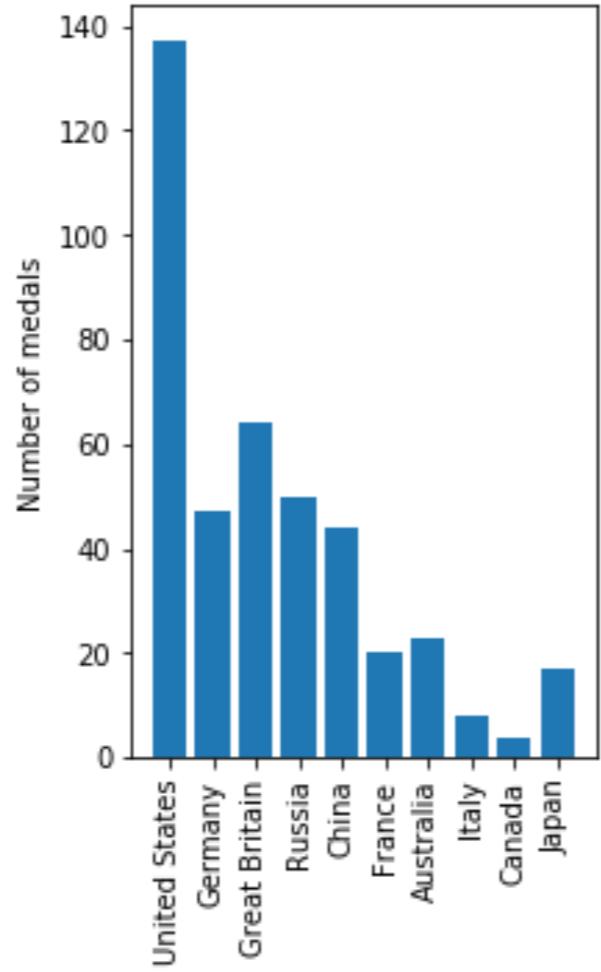
# Size

```
fig.set_size_inches([5, 3])
```



# Another aspect ratio

```
fig.set_size_inches([3, 5])
```

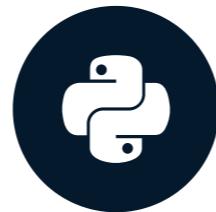


# **Practice saving your visualizations!**

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# Automating figures from data

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# Why automate?

- Ease and speed
- Flexibility
- Robustness
- Reproducibility

# How many different kinds of data?

```
summer_2016_medals["Sport"]
```

```
ID  
62      Rowing  
65      Taekwondo  
73      Handball  
       ...  
134759   Handball  
135132   Volleyball  
135205   Boxing  
Name: Sport, Length: 976, dtype: object
```

# Getting unique values of a column

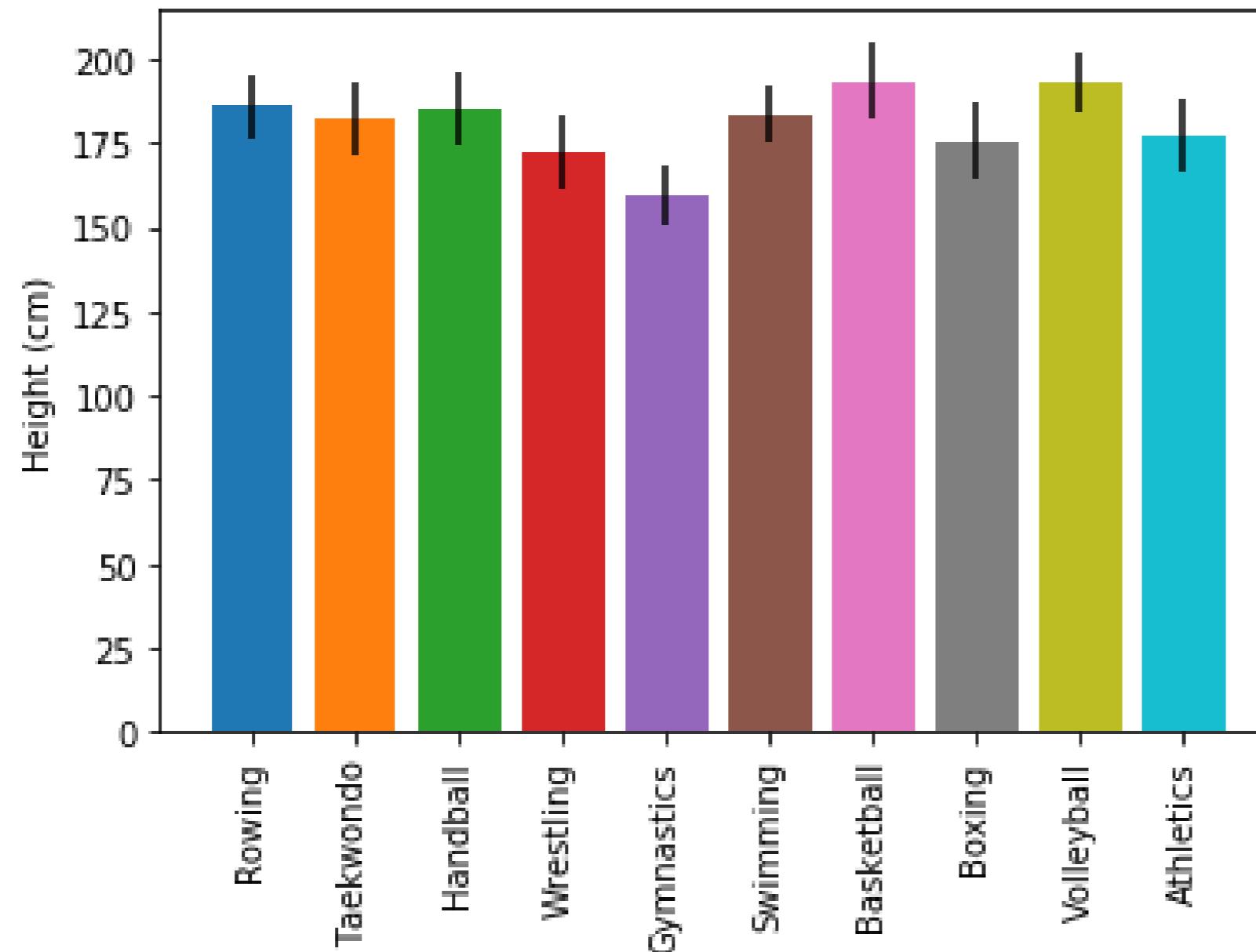
```
sports = summer_2016_medals["Sport"].unique()  
print(sports)  
['Rowing' 'Taekwondo' 'Handball' 'Wrestling'  
'Gymnastics' 'Swimming' 'Basketball' 'Boxing'  
'Volleyball' 'Athletics']
```

# Bar-chart of heights for all sports

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

for sport in sports:
    sport_df = summer_2016_medals[summer_2016_medals["Sport"] == sport]
    ax.bar(sport, sport_df["Height"].mean(),
           yerr=sport_df["Height"].std())
ax.set_ylabel("Height (cm)")
ax.set_xticklabels(sports, rotation=90)
plt.show()
```

# Figure derived automatically from the data

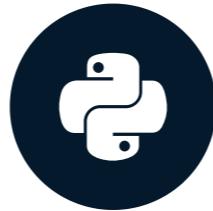


# **Practice automating visualizations!**

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# Where to go next

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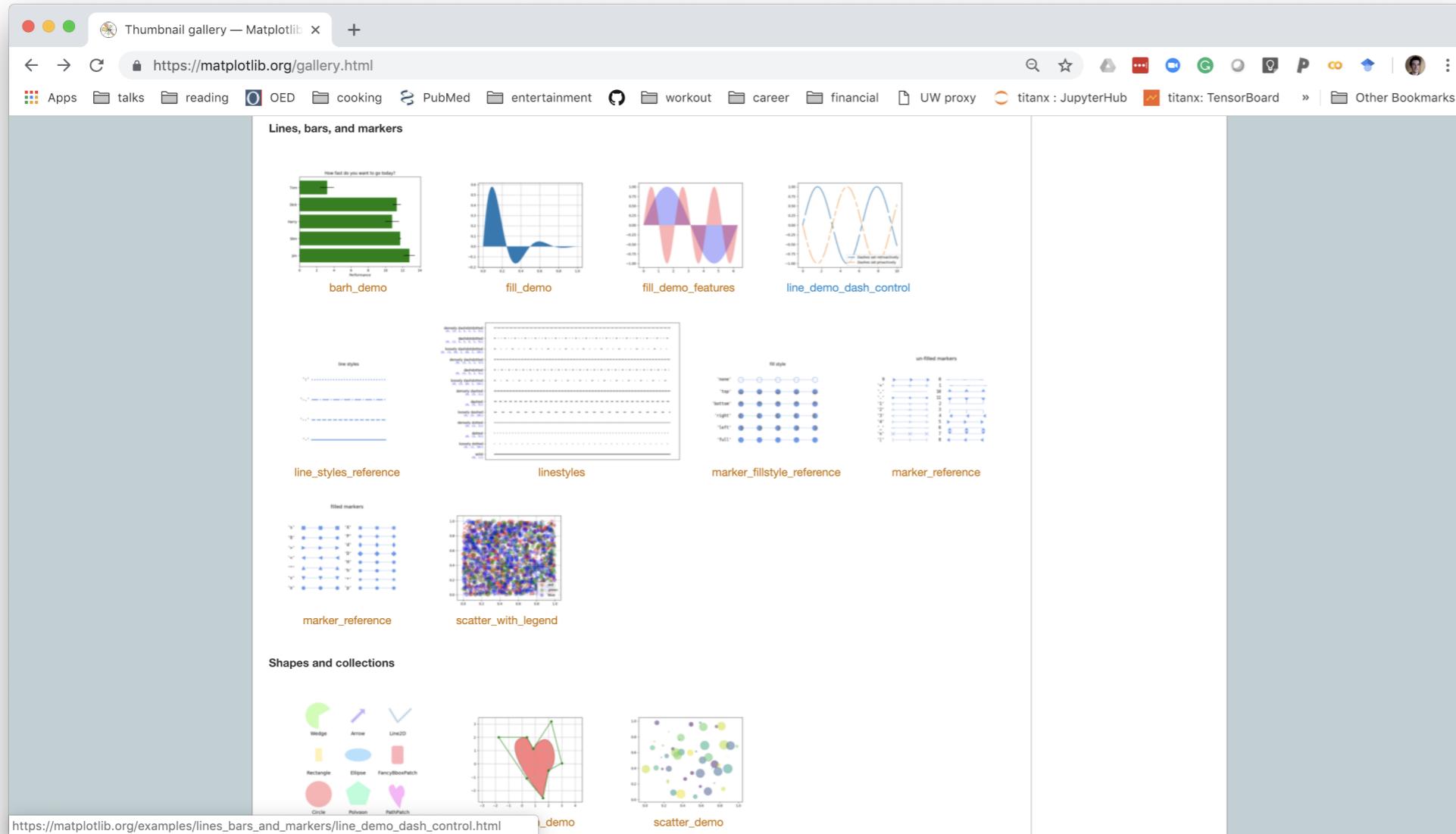
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# The Matplotlib gallery

<https://matplotlib.org/gallery.html>

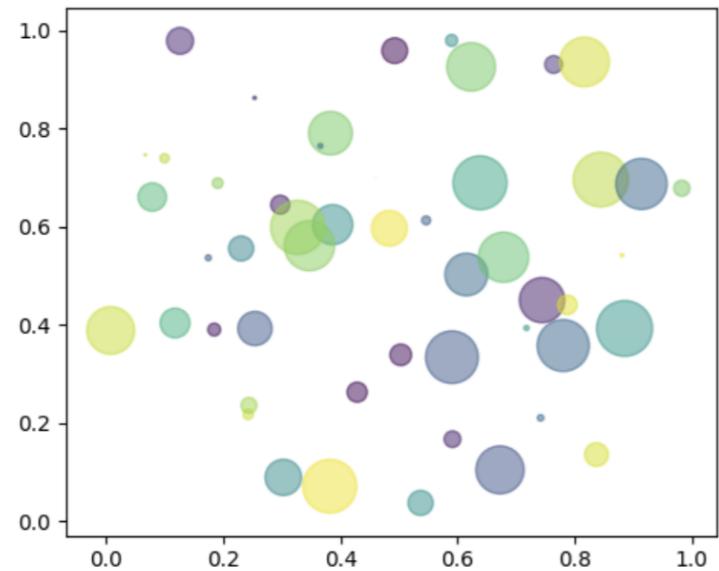
# Gallery of examples



# Example page with code

## shapes\_and\_collections example code: scatter\_demo.py

([Source code](#), [png](#), [pdf](#))



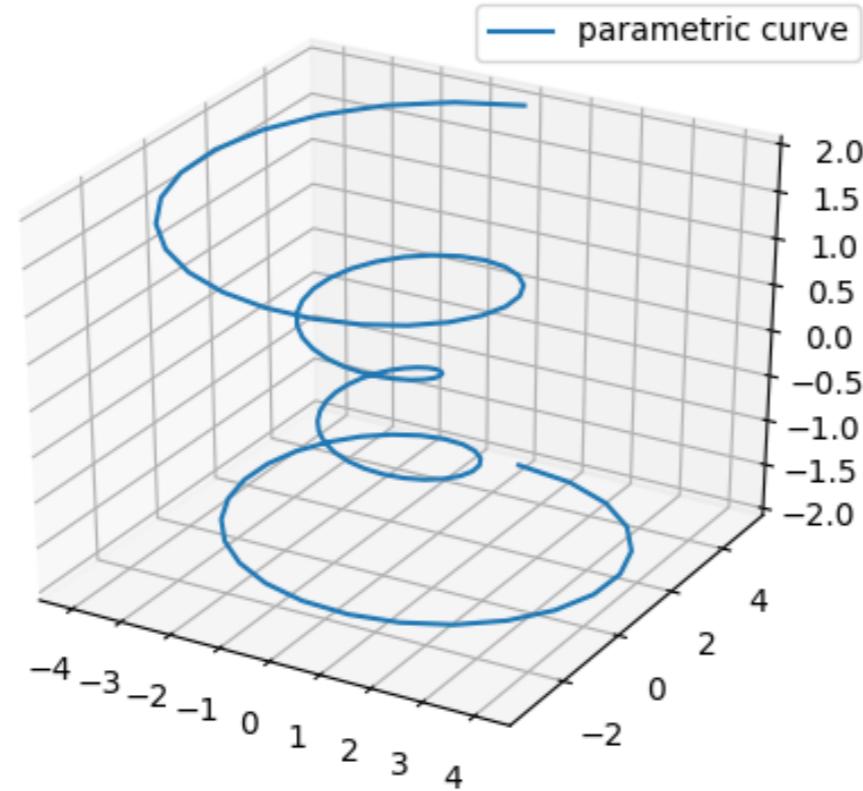
```
"""
Simple demo of a scatter plot.
"""

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

N = 50
x = np.random.rand(N)
y = np.random.rand(N)
colors = np.random.rand(N)
area = np.pi * (15 * np.random.rand(N))**2 # 0 to 15 point radii

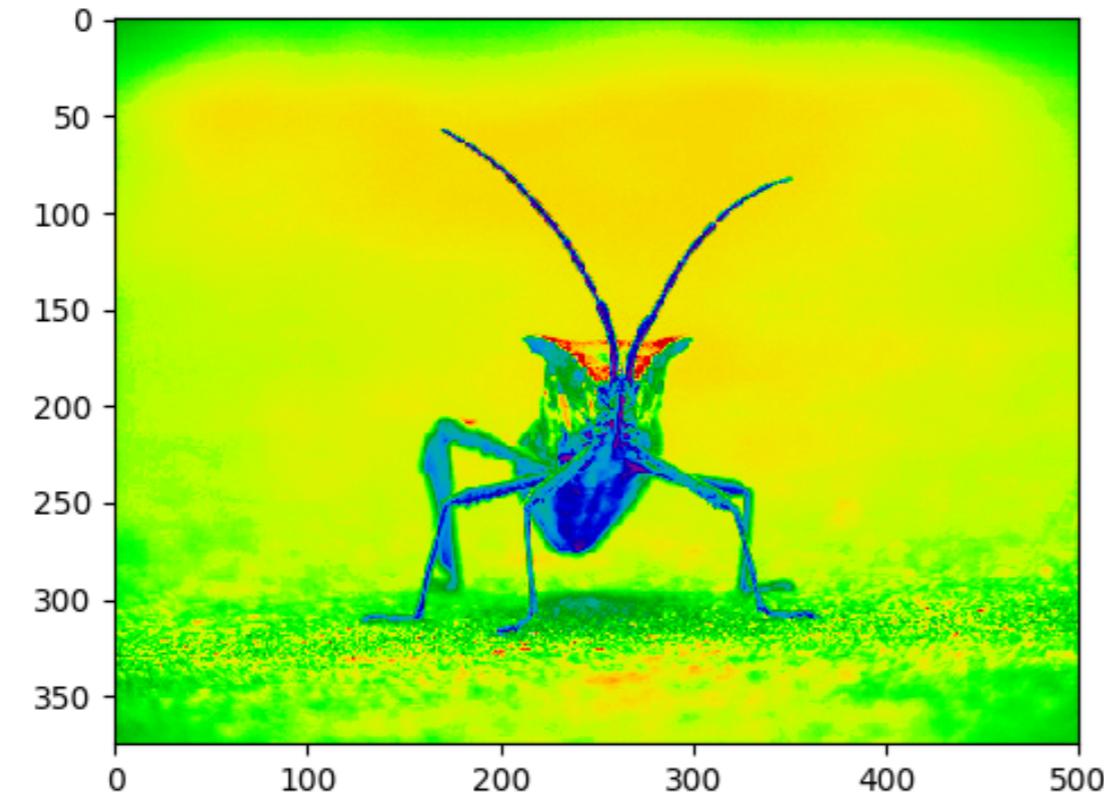
plt.scatter(x, y, s=area, c=colors, alpha=0.5)
plt.show()
```

# Plotting data in 3D



[https://matplotlib.org/mpl\\_toolkits/mplot3d/tutorial.html](https://matplotlib.org/mpl_toolkits/mplot3d/tutorial.html)

# Visualizing images with pseudo-color



[https://matplotlib.org/users/image\\_tutorial.html](https://matplotlib.org/users/image_tutorial.html)

# Animations

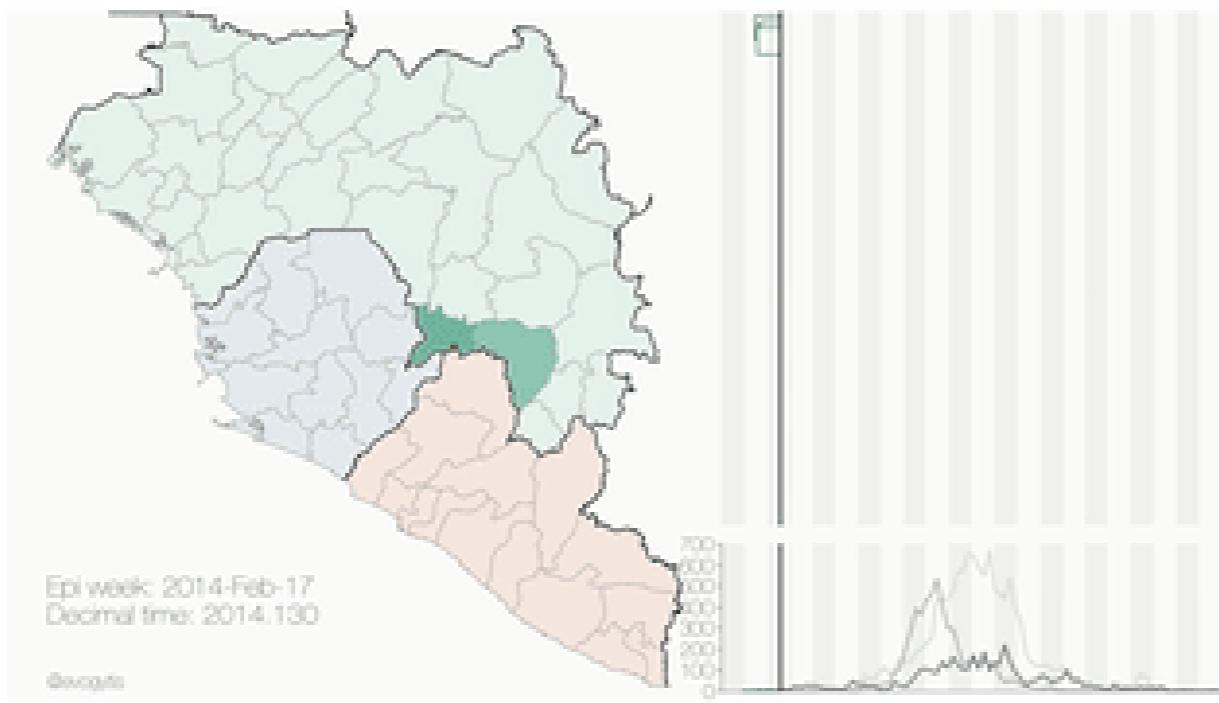
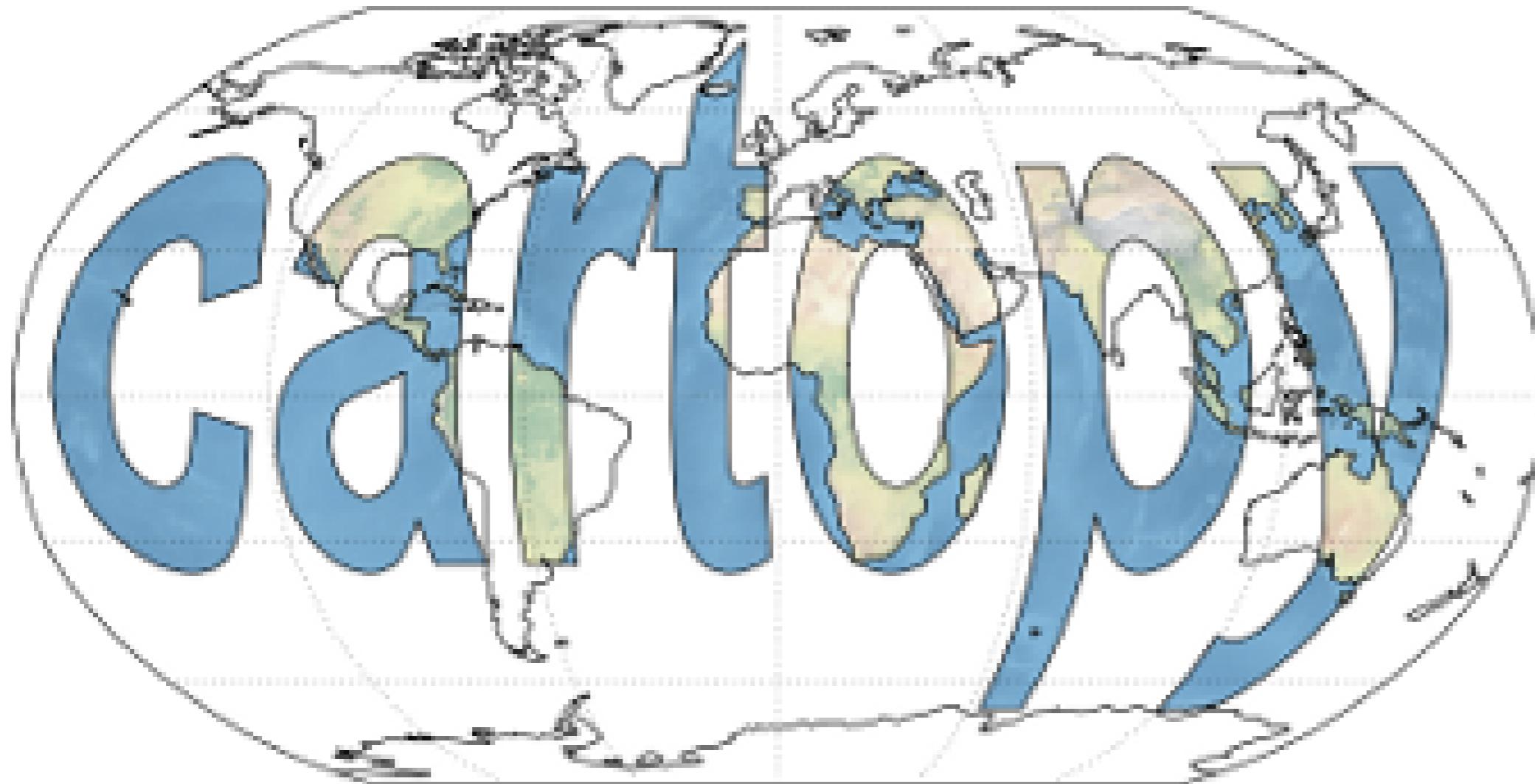


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[https://matplotlib.org/api/animation\\_api.html](https://matplotlib.org/api/animation_api.html)

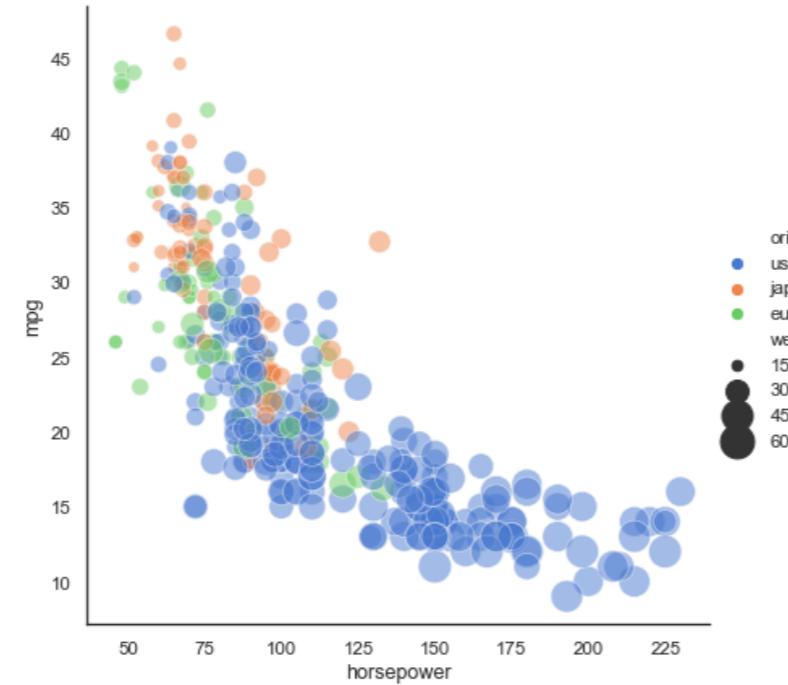
# Using Matplotlib for geospatial data



<https://scitools.org.uk/cartopy/docs/latest/>

# Pandas + Matplotlib = Seaborn

```
seaborn.relplot(x="horsepower", y="mpg", hue="origin", size="weight  
sizes=(40, 400), alpha=.5, palette="muted",  
height=6, data=mpg)
```



# Seaborn example gallery

<https://seaborn.pydata.org/examples/index.html>

**Good luck  
visualizing your  
data!**

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