

# pandas.DataFrame.plot.hexbin

`DataFrame.plot.hexbin(x, y, C=None, reduce_C_function=None, gridsize=None, **kwargs)` [\[source\]](#)

Generate a hexagonal binning plot.

Generate a hexagonal binning plot of *x* versus *y*. If *C* is *None* (the default), this is a histogram of the number of occurrences of the observations at `(x[i], y[i])`.

If *C* is specified, specifies values at given coordinates `(x[i], y[i])`. These values are accumulated for each hexagonal bin and then reduced according to *reduce\_C\_function*, having as default the NumPy's mean function (`numpy.mean()`). (If *C* is specified, it must also be a 1-D sequence of the same length as *x* and *y*, or a column label.)

## Parameters:

**x** : *int or str*

The column label or position for x points.

**y** : *int or str*

The column label or position for y points.

**C** : *int or str, optional*

The column label or position for the value of (x, y) point.

**reduce\_C\_function** : *callable, default np.mean*

Function of one argument that reduces all the values in a bin to a single number (e.g. `np.mean`, `np.max`, `np.sum`, `np.std`).

**gridsize** : *int or tuple of (int, int), default 100*

The number of hexagons in the x-direction. The corresponding number of hexagons in the y-direction is chosen in a way that the hexagons are approximately regular. Alternatively, *gridsize* can be a tuple with two elements specifying the number of hexagons in the x-direction and the y-direction.

**\*\*kwargs**

Additional keyword arguments are documented in `DataFrame.plot()`.

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## Returns:

### `matplotlib.AxesSubplot`

The matplotlib `Axes` on which the hexbin is plotted.

## See also

### `DataFrame.plot`

Make plots of a DataFrame.

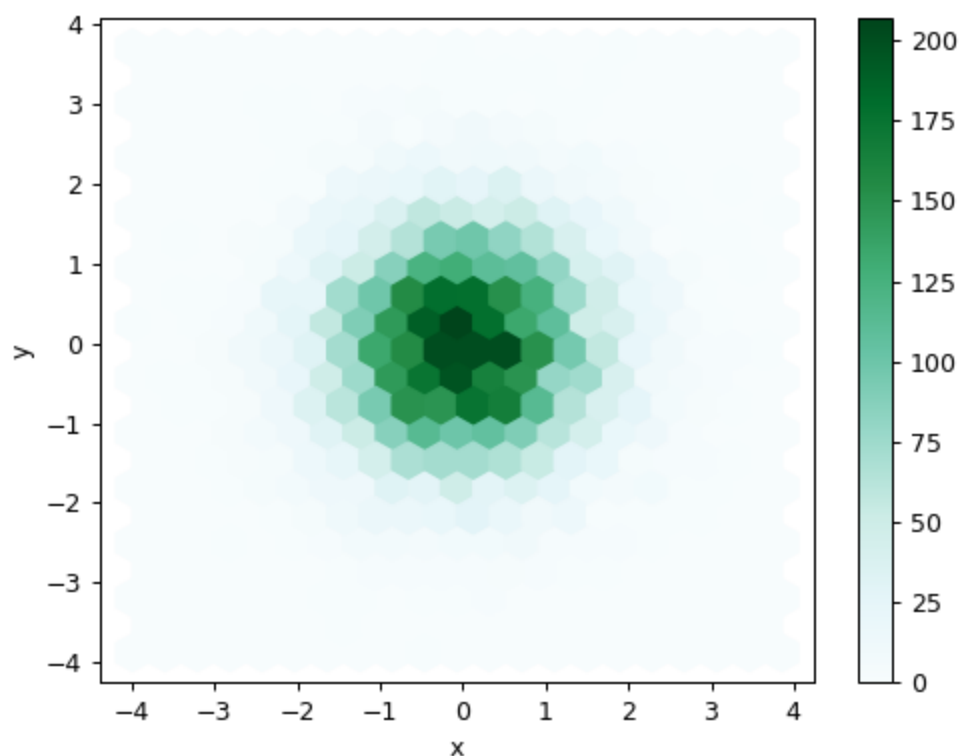
### `matplotlib.pyplot.hexbin`

Hexagonal binning plot using matplotlib, the matplotlib function that is used under the hood.

## Examples

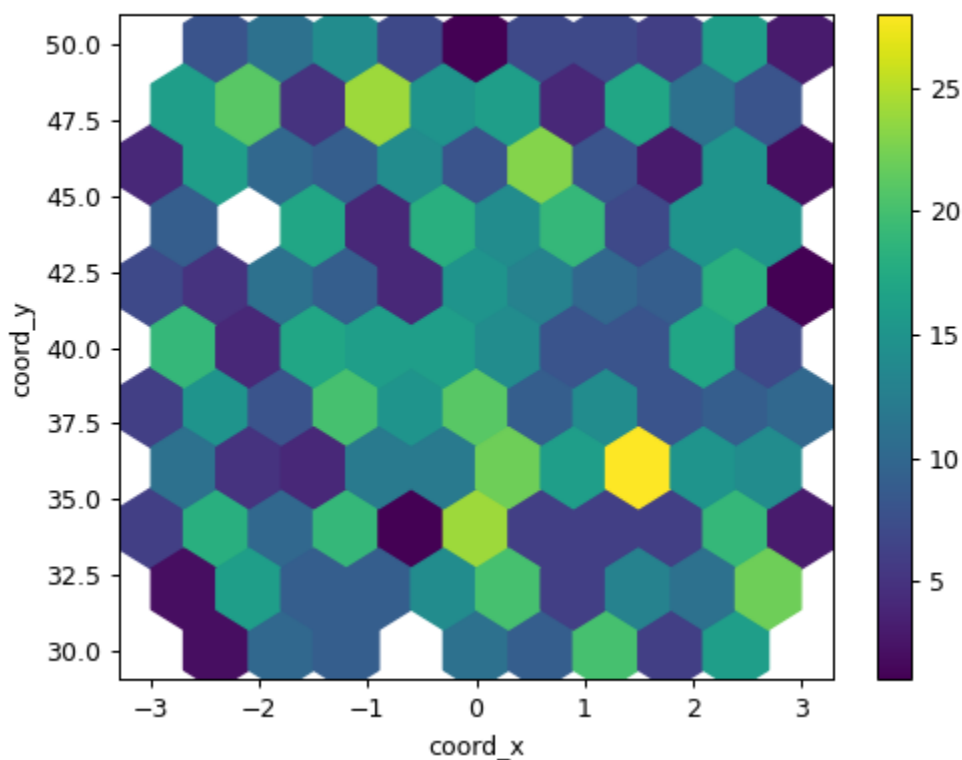
The following examples are generated with random data from a normal distribution.

```
>>> n = 10000
>>> df = pd.DataFrame({'x': np.random.randn(n),
...                    'y': np.random.randn(n)})
>>> ax = df.plot.hexbin(x='x', y='y', gridsize=20)
```



The next example uses `C` and `np.sum` as `reduce_C_function`. Note that `'observations'` values ranges from 1 to 5 but the result plot shows values up to more than 25. This is because of the `reduce_C_function`.

```
>>> n = 500
>>> df = pd.DataFrame({
...     'coord_x': np.random.uniform(-3, 3, size=n),
...     'coord_y': np.random.uniform(30, 50, size=n),
...     'observations': np.random.randint(1,5, size=n)
... })
>>> ax = df.plot.hexbin(x='coord_x',
...                      y='coord_y',
...                      C='observations',
...                      reduce_C_function=np.sum,
...                      gridsize=10,
...                      cmap="viridis")
```



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