1 Review

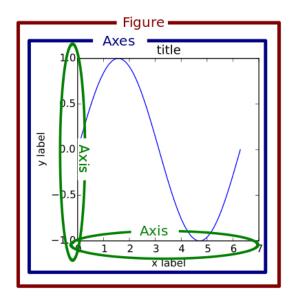
Last time:

- Numpy
- Questions?
- Today: Plotting with Matplotlib and Pandas

2 Matplotlib Intro

- Matplotlib (Matlab Plotting Library) is a package for creating plots and figures
- Importing matplotlib:

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt



- Figure: container for a matplotlib graphic. A figure contains multiple Axes objects.
- Axes: an individual plot. (Note: not be confused with Axis. Multiple AXIS form an AXES).
- The Axes contains most of the smaller objects that we care about. E.g. title, xlabel, etc...

3 Axes

Reference: https://matplotlib.org/stable/api/axes_api.html#plotting

• subplots method creates and returns a Figure and Axes(s). By default, subplots populates the Figure with one Axes. We can optionally specify the figure size.

- We use the plot method to plot our data. We can optionally specify a label
- set_title, set_xlabel, set_ylabel
- In order to display the Figure, we use plt.show(). This command finds and displays the current Figure
- Basic plot example:

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8,6))

x = np.linspace(0, 10, 20)
y1 = 2*x+1
y2 = 3*x+1

ax.plot(x, y1, label='a line')
ax.plot(x, y2, label='a steeper line')
ax.set_title('A title!')
ax.set_xlabel('x')
ax.set_ylabel(r'$y = 2 \cdot x +1$')
fig.legend()

plt.show()
```

ax.plot format:

• ax.plot(x, y, [format])

Character	Color	Character	Description
'b'	Blue	·:	Point marker
	Dido	ʻo'	Circle marker
ʻg'	Green	'x'	X marker
'r'	Red	'D'	Diamond marker
'b'	Blue	'H'	Hexagon marker
'c'	Cuan	's'	Square marker
С	Cyan	·+·	Plus marker
'm'	Magenta	Character	Description
'y'	Yellow	··	Solid line
'k'	Black	·'	Dashed line
4.1		· ''	Dash-dot line
ʻb'	Blue	4.2	Dotted line
'w'	White	'H'	Hexagon marker

• plot has other properties, e.g. linewidth, markersize, etc...(read the docs)

Additional Axes Methods (Demo):

- ax.grid()
- ax.set_xlim(min, max), ax.set_ylim(min, max)
- ax.xscale(value), ax.yscale(value), e.g. ax.xscale('log')
- ax.axhline(y), ax.axvline(y)
- ax.errorbar(x, y, yerr=None, xerr=None, capsize=None)

Other types of plots (read the docs):

- Bar and Histogram
- Pie
- Box and wisker
- etc...

4 Subplots

- Recall: we use the subplots function to create a Figure. By default, this creates one Axes. However, we can specify a grid of Axes: ax.subplots(rows, cols)
- subplots returns the figure and array of Axes
- Example:

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 3, figsize=(8,6))
ax[0][1].plot(x,y1)
ax[1][0].plot(x,y2)
plt.show()
```

• We can arrange the Axes in more complicated manners. Read the docs...

5 2D Plots

Plotting a 2d function: z(x,y) = x + y

X			
0	1	2	3
0	1	2	3
0	1	2	3

Υ			
0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2

COORDINATE			
0,0	1,0	2,0	3,0
0,1	1,1	2,1	3,1
0,2	1,2	2,2	3,2

COODDINATE

Z = X + Y			
0	1	2	3
1	2	3	4
2	3	4	5

• How do we generate x, y, and z? Numpy!

```
x = np.arange(4)
y = np.arange(3)
X, Y = np.meshgrid(x,y)
Z = X + Y
>>> X
array([[0, 1, 2, 3],
       [0, 1, 2, 3],
       [0, 1, 2, 3]]
>>> Y
array([[0, 0, 0, 0],
       [1, 1, 1, 1],
       [2, 2, 2, 2]
>>> Z
array([[0, 1, 2, 3],
       [1, 2, 3, 4],
       [2, 3, 4, 5]])
```

- Two ways to plot: imshow and pcolormesh
- imshow(Z): assumes values are equally spaced (for plotting images and 2d functions).

• pcolormesh(X, Y, C): does not assumed equally spaced values. X and Y specify the quadrilateral corners. This is a mesh (cells do not have to be evenly spaced)!

• We will use imshow:

• Color-map: key for how to map a value to a color. Matplotlib has many built-in cmaps and you can define your own.

```
# default color map
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8, 5))
image = ax.imshow(Z)
plt.colorbar(image)
plt.show()

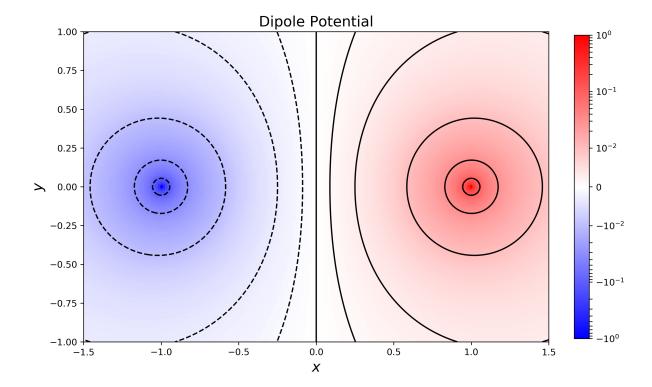
# example of a monotone cmap
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8, 5))
image = ax.imshow(Z, cmap='Purples')
plt.colorbar(image)
plt.show()
```

• We can also plot contours using ax.contour([X, Y], Z, [levels])

6 (Optional) Example: Plotting a Dipole Potential

Note: this demo includes many optional arguments/features not covered in lecture. It's impossible cover nor remember everything. Searching the docs is an important skill!

```
import matplotlib
x = np.linspace(-1.5, 1.5, 200)
y = np.linspace(-1, 1, 200)
X, Y = np.meshgrid(x,y)
# calculate dipole potential
R1 = np.sqrt((X-1)**2 + Y**2)
R2 = np.sqrt((X+1)**2 + Y**2)
Z = (1/R1 - 1/R2)
Z /= np.max(Z) # normalize
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 7))
image = ax.imshow(Z, origin='lower', cmap='bwr',
                  extent=[np.min(x), np.max(x), np.min(y), np.max(y)],
                  norm=matplotlib.colors.SymLogNorm(0.01))
eqipots = [-0.1, -0.03, -0.01, -0.003, -0.001, 0,
           0.001, 0.003, 0.01, 0.03, 0.1]
ax.contour(X, Y, Z, eqipots, colors='k')
ax.set_title('Dipole Potential', fontsize=16)
ax.set_xlabel(r'$x$', fontsize=16)
ax.set_ylabel(r'$y$', fontsize=16)
plt.colorbar(image, fraction=.03)
plt.savefig('dipole.png', dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')
plt.show()
```



7 Save Figure

- plt.savefig(name)
- Recommend args: dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight'
- If you want to show and save figure, you must save BEFORE showing
- Example:

```
plt.savefig('fig.png',dpi=300,bbox_inches='tight')
```

8 Pandas

- Pandas is a package for reading and cleaning data. This is a topic that deserves a separate workshop. I will only show a limited functionality.
- Reading in csv/txt file from computer/online (bb.txt is included as a backup):

```
>>> data
          Lambda (nm)
                        Specific Intensity (W/m^3*Sr)
0
      300.000000
                                      7.940206e+12
      303.517588
                                      8.338975e+12
1
2
      307.035176
                                      8.756094e+12
3
      310.552764
                                      8.857883e+12
      314.070352
                                      9.422244e+12
4
195
      985.929648
                                      9.643322e+12
196
      989.447236
                                      9.643796e+12
                                      9.547717e+12
197
      992.964824
                                      9.461644e+12
198
      996.482412
199
     1000.000000
                                      9.485265e+12
[200 rows x 2 columns]
>>>1am
         300.000000
1
         303.517588
2
         307.035176
         310.552764
3
4
         314.070352
195
         985.929648
196
        989.447236
         992.964824
197
198
         996.482412
199
        1000.000000
Name: Lambda (nm), Length: 200, dtype: float64
```

• Some common optional arguments for pd.read_csv: header=None, encoding = 'utf8'

9 Conclusion

This is the end of the Python lecture series. This series is by no means comprehensive, but intended to prepare you to further learn/explore Python on your own. Remember:

- Read the documentation
- Read the error tracebacks
- Google, StackOverflow, etc... is your friend
- Don't hesistate to reach out to the ULAB staff for help!