

Introduction to Data Visualization with Matplotlib

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Data visualization

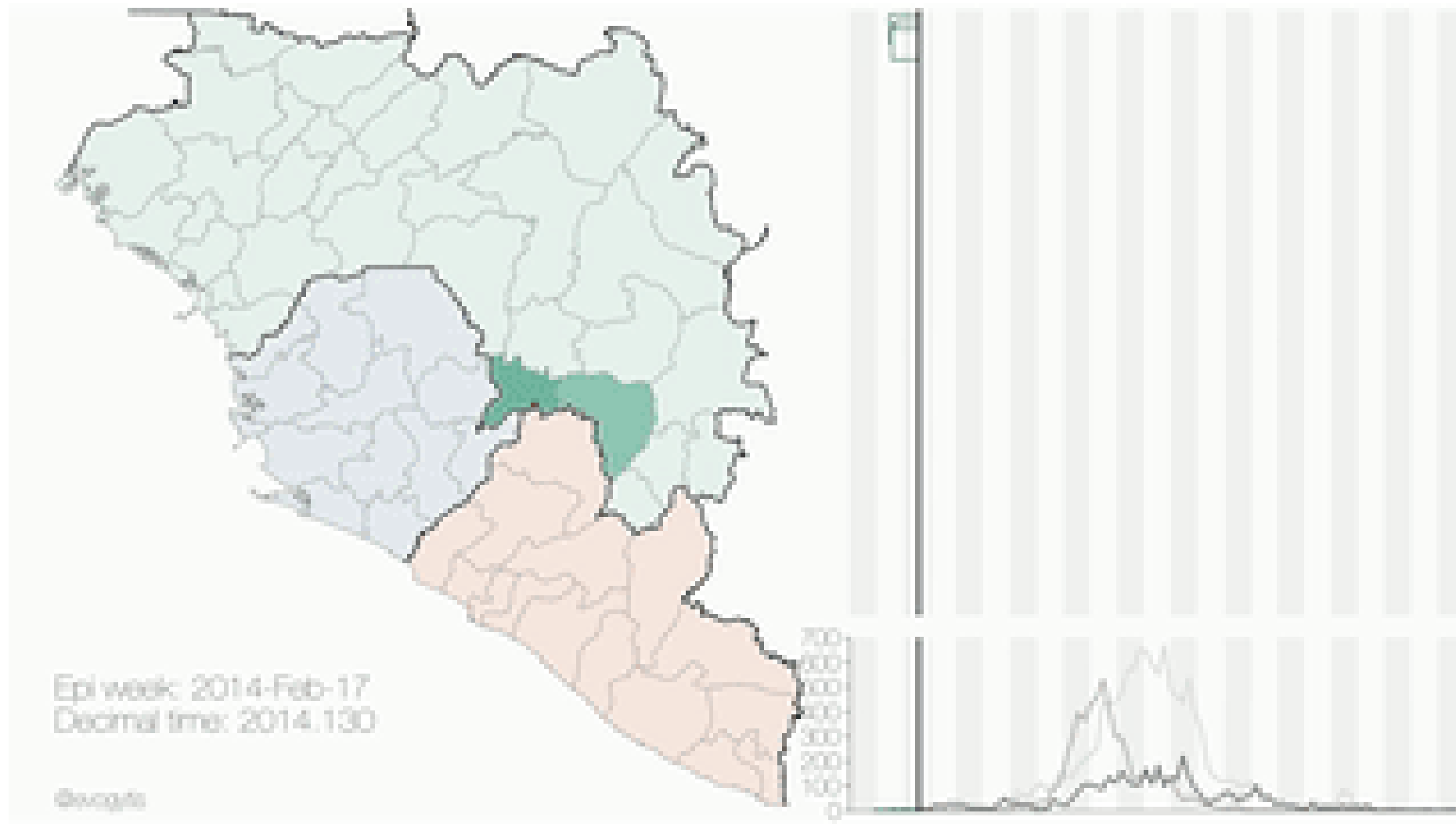
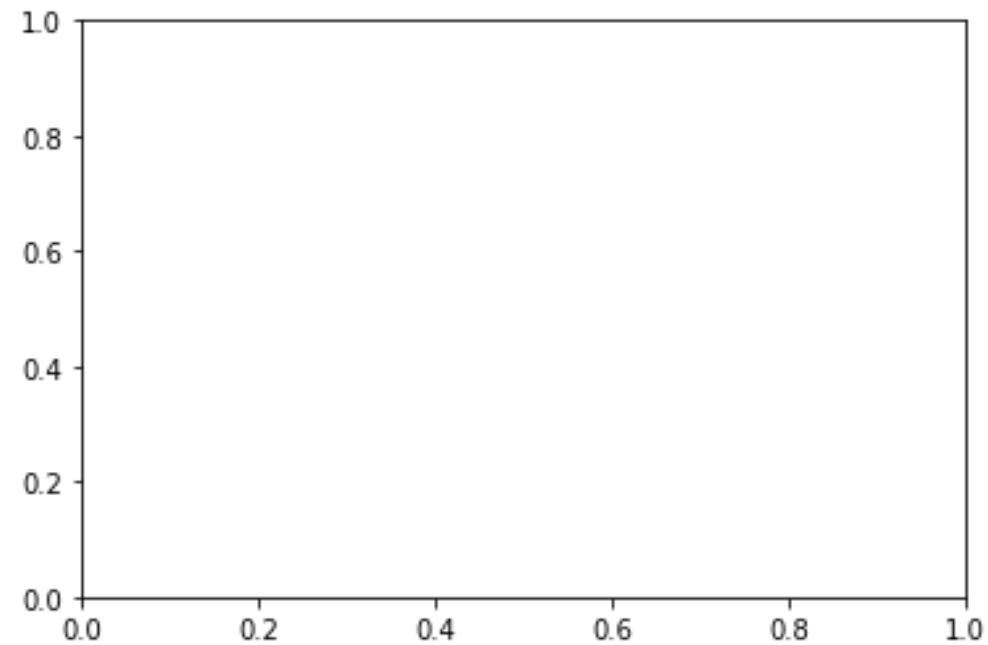


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Introducing the pyplot interface

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



Adding data to axes

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

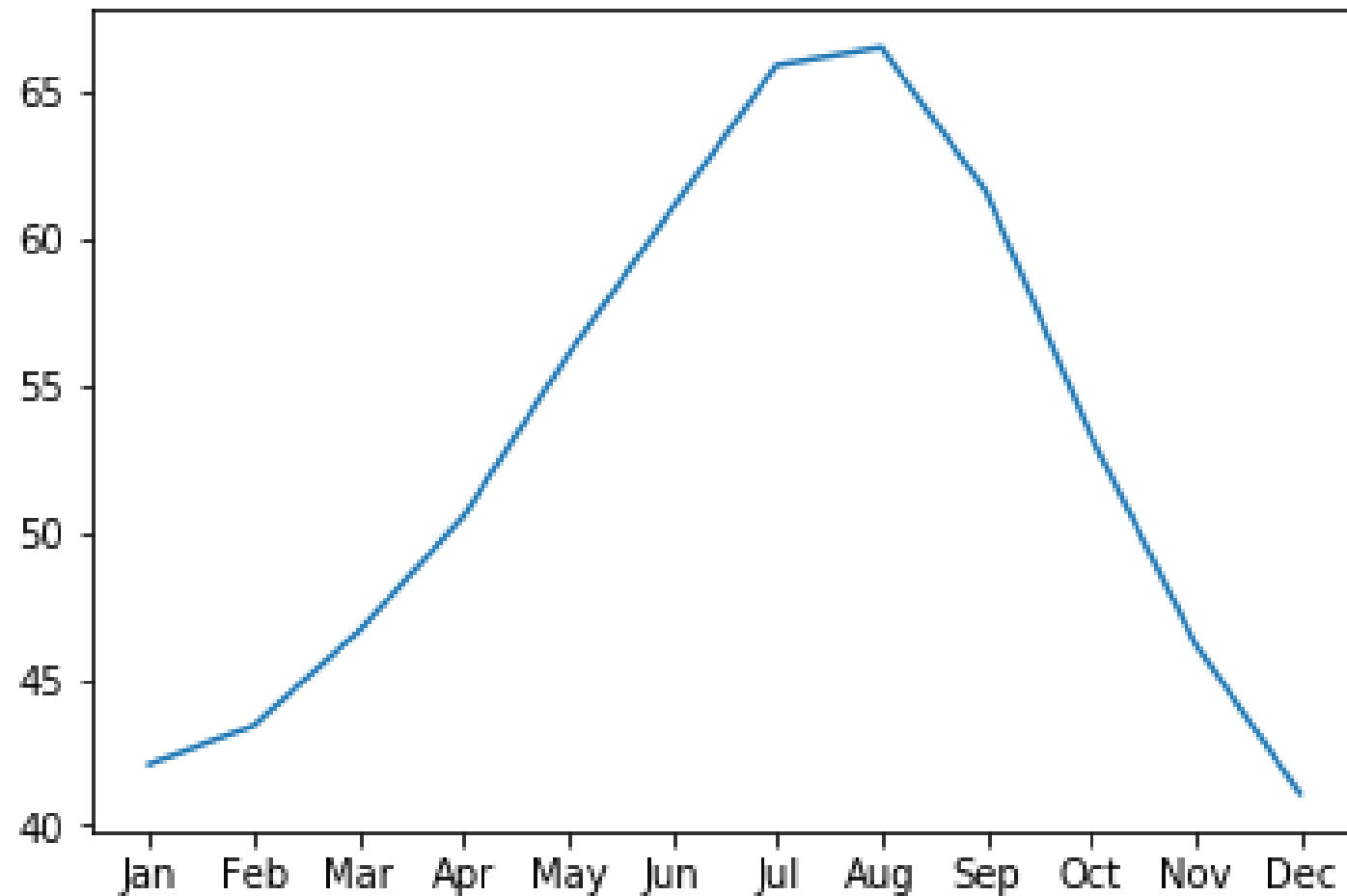
```
DATE
1    Jan
2    Feb
3    Mar
4    Apr
5    May
6    Jun
7    Jul
8    Aug
9    Sep
10   Oct
11   Nov
12   Dec
Name: MONTH, dtype: object
```

```
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
```

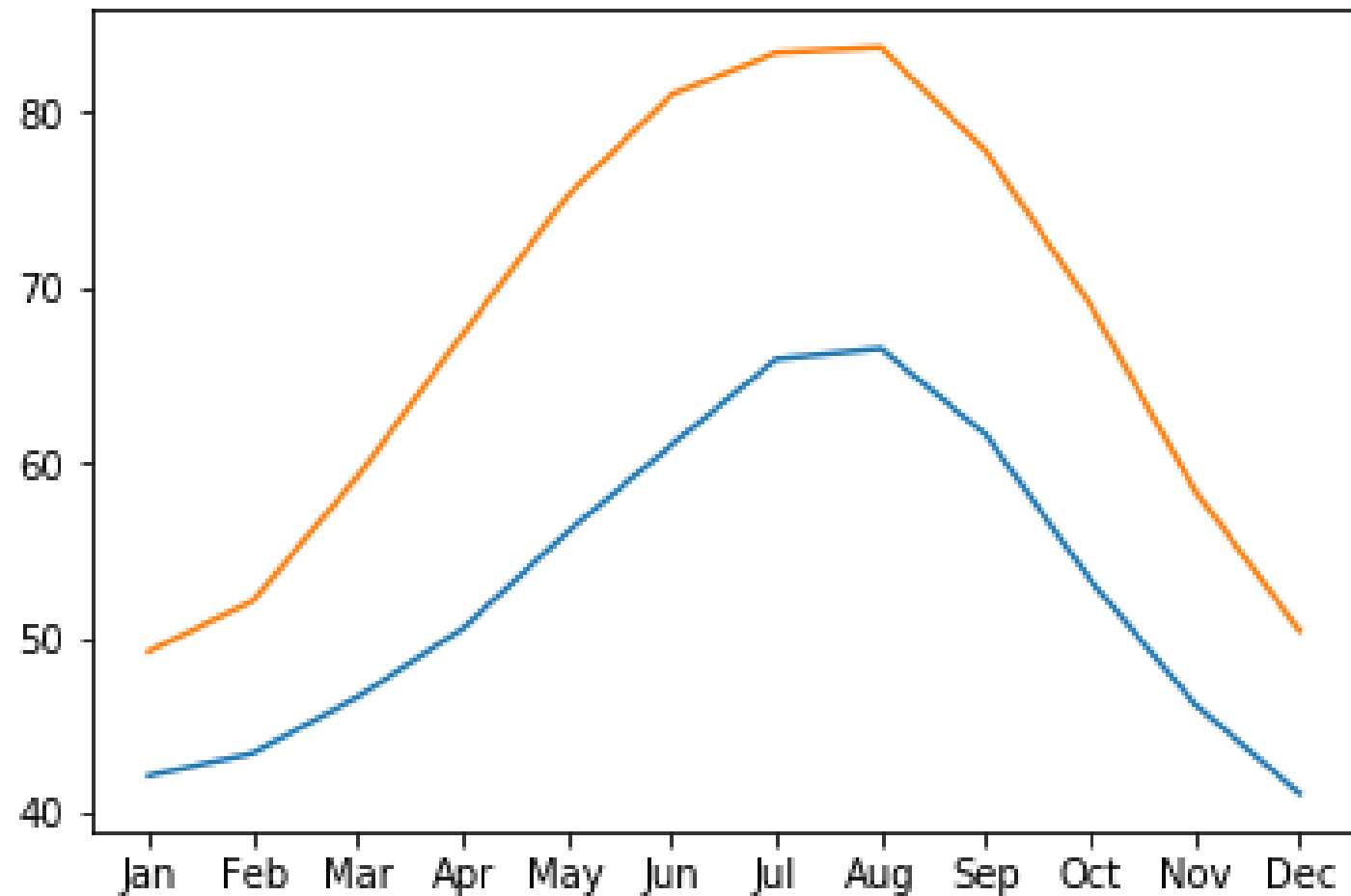
Adding data to axes

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



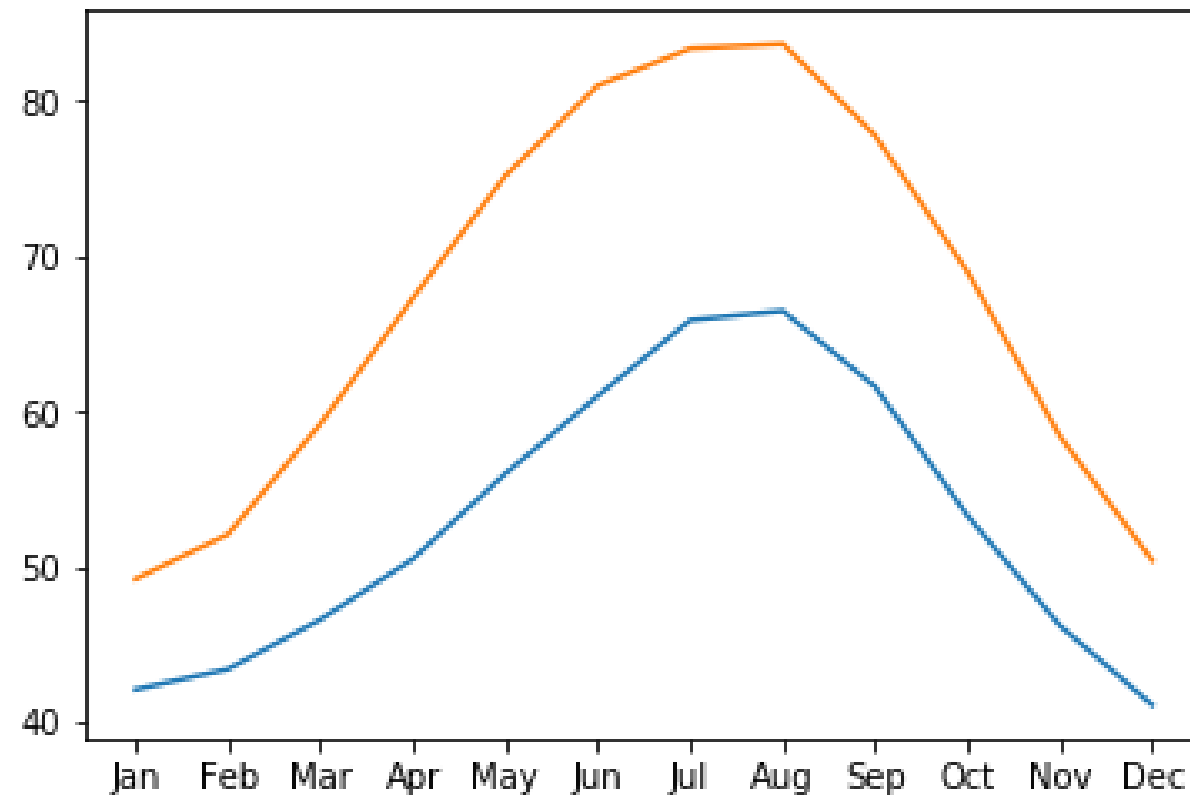
Adding more data

```
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()
```



Practice making a figure!

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Customizing your plots

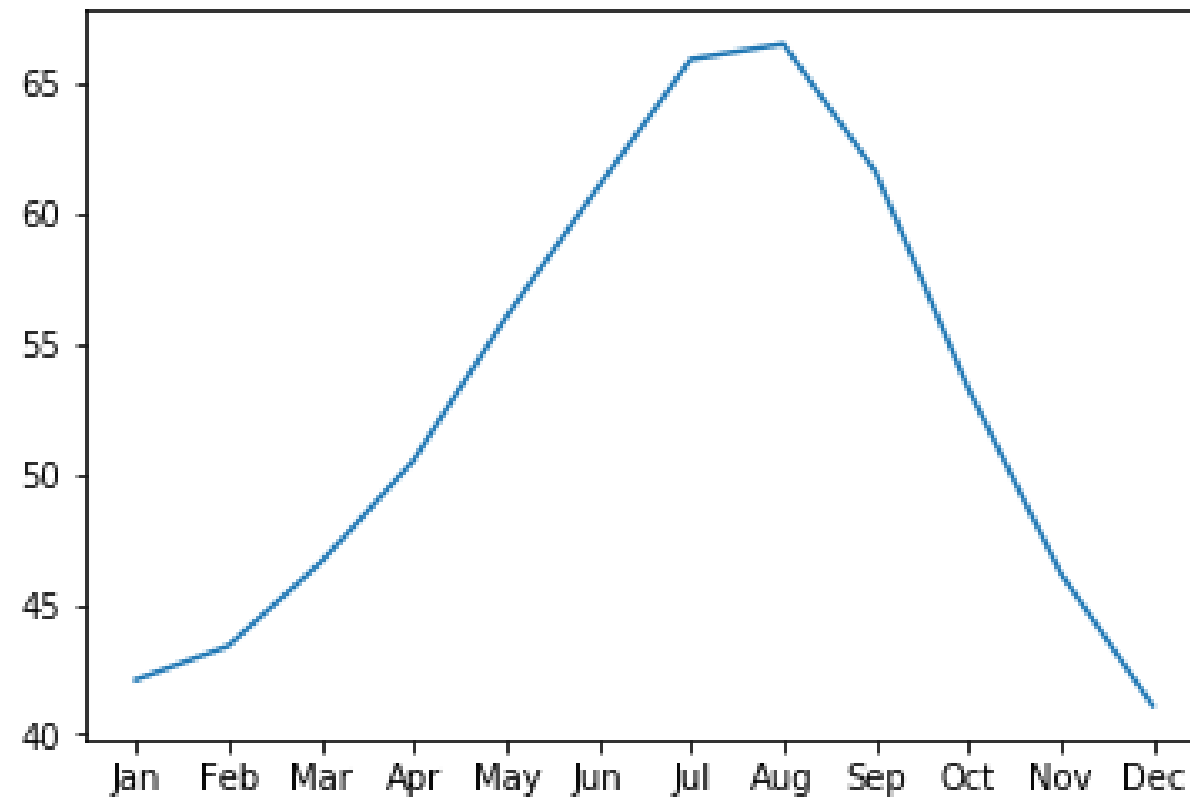
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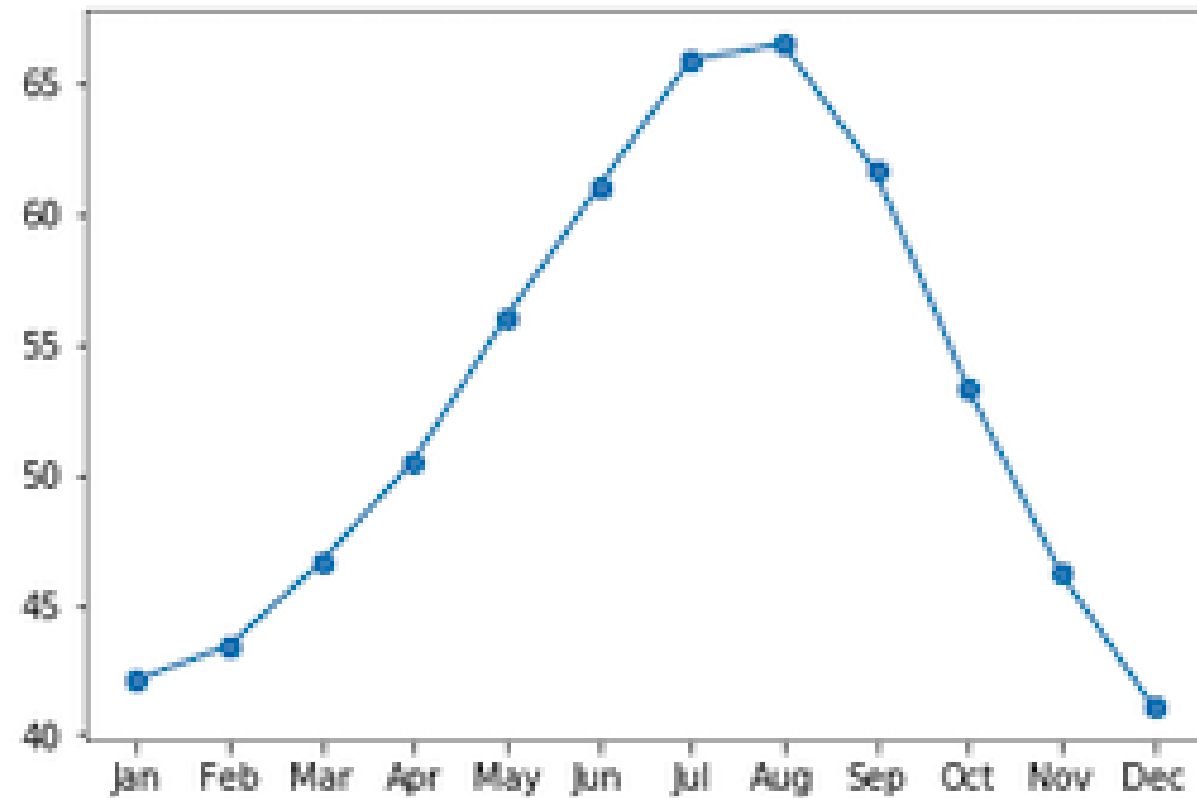
Customizing data appearance

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



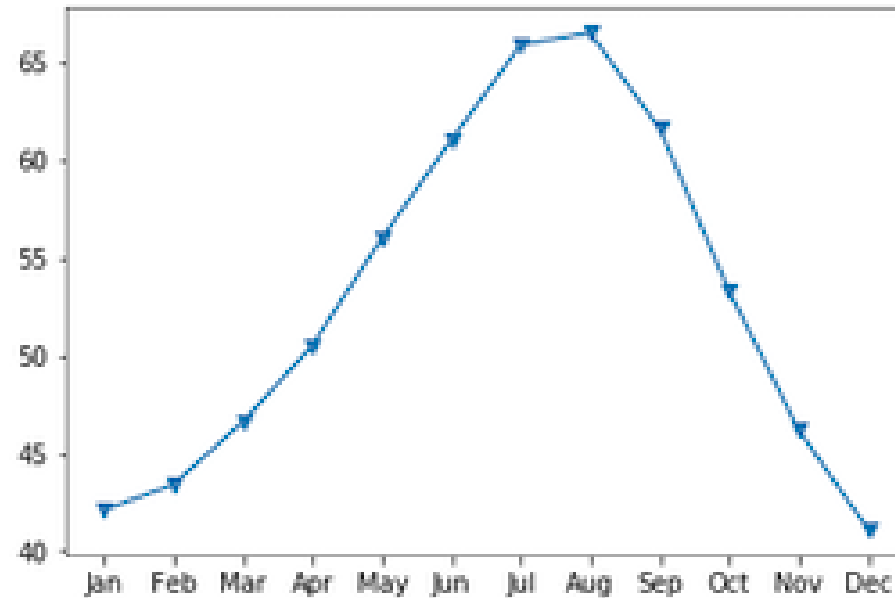
Adding markers

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



Choosing markers

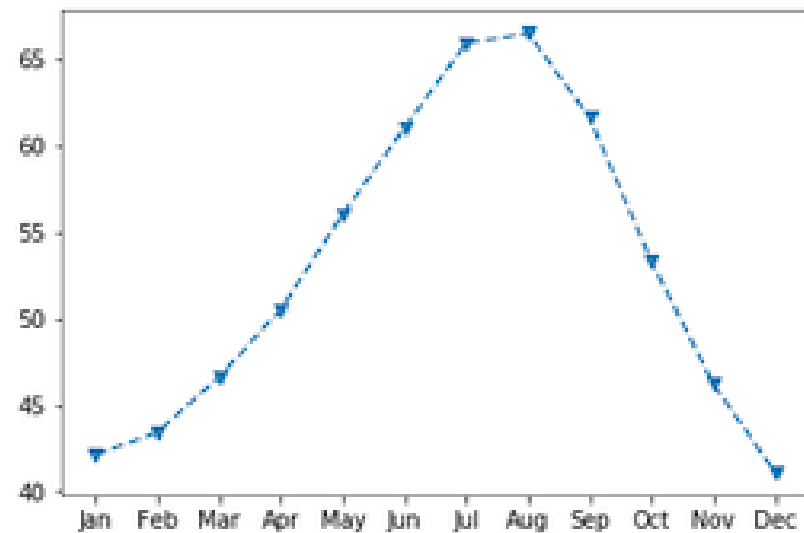
```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"],  
        seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],  
        marker="v")  
plt.show()
```



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

Setting the linestyle

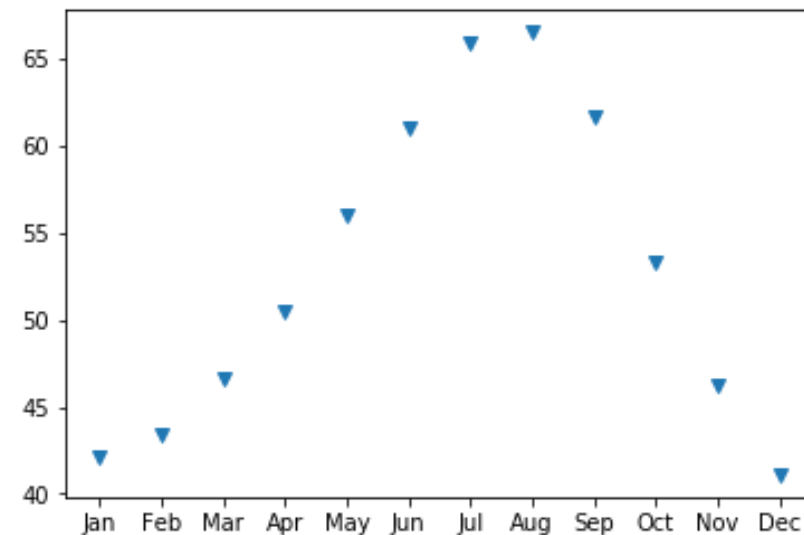
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"],
        seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"],
        marker="v", linestyle="--")
plt.show()
```



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

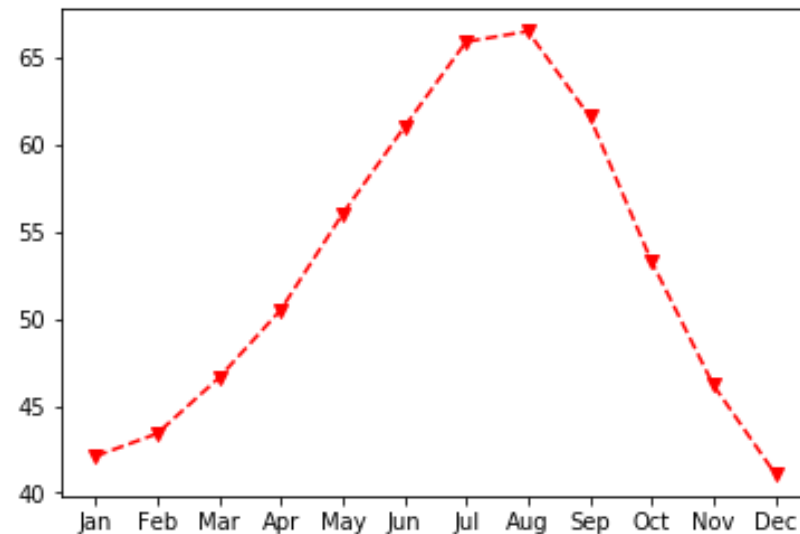
Eliminating lines with linestyle

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



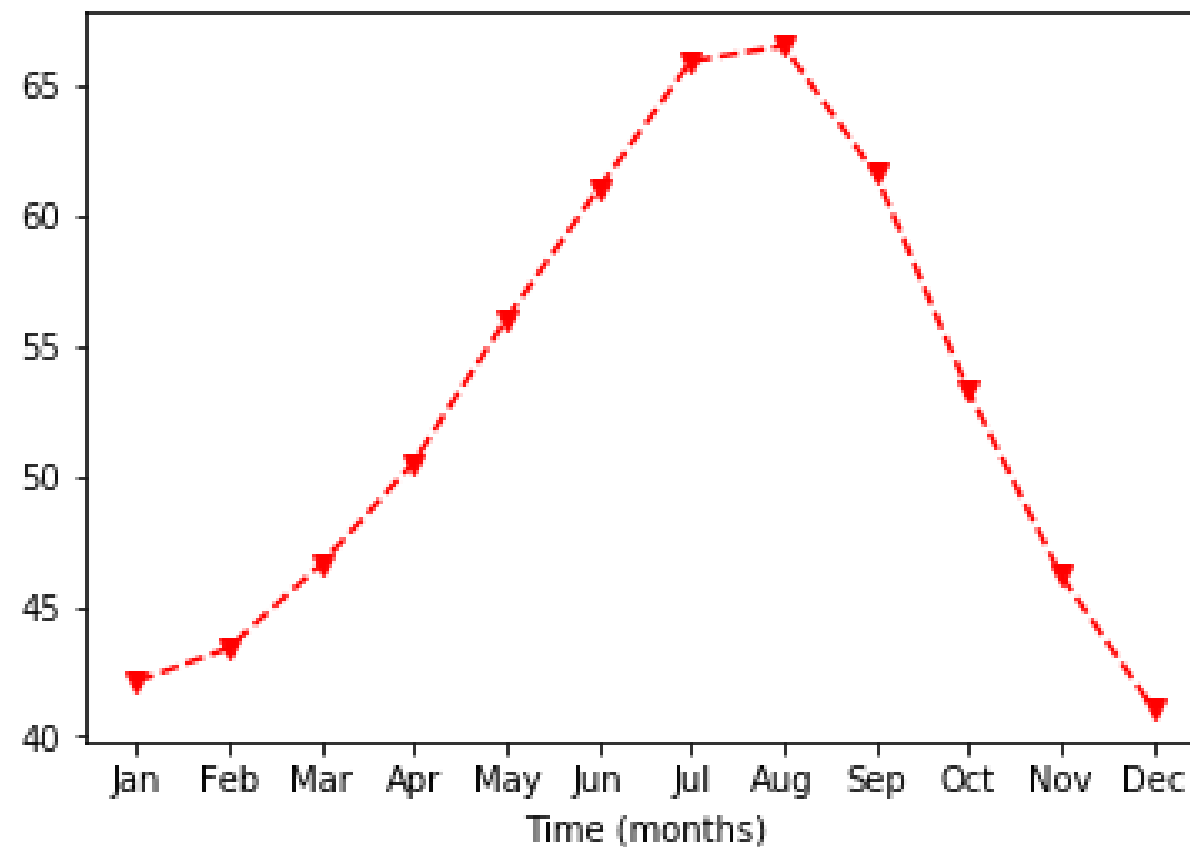
Choosing color

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



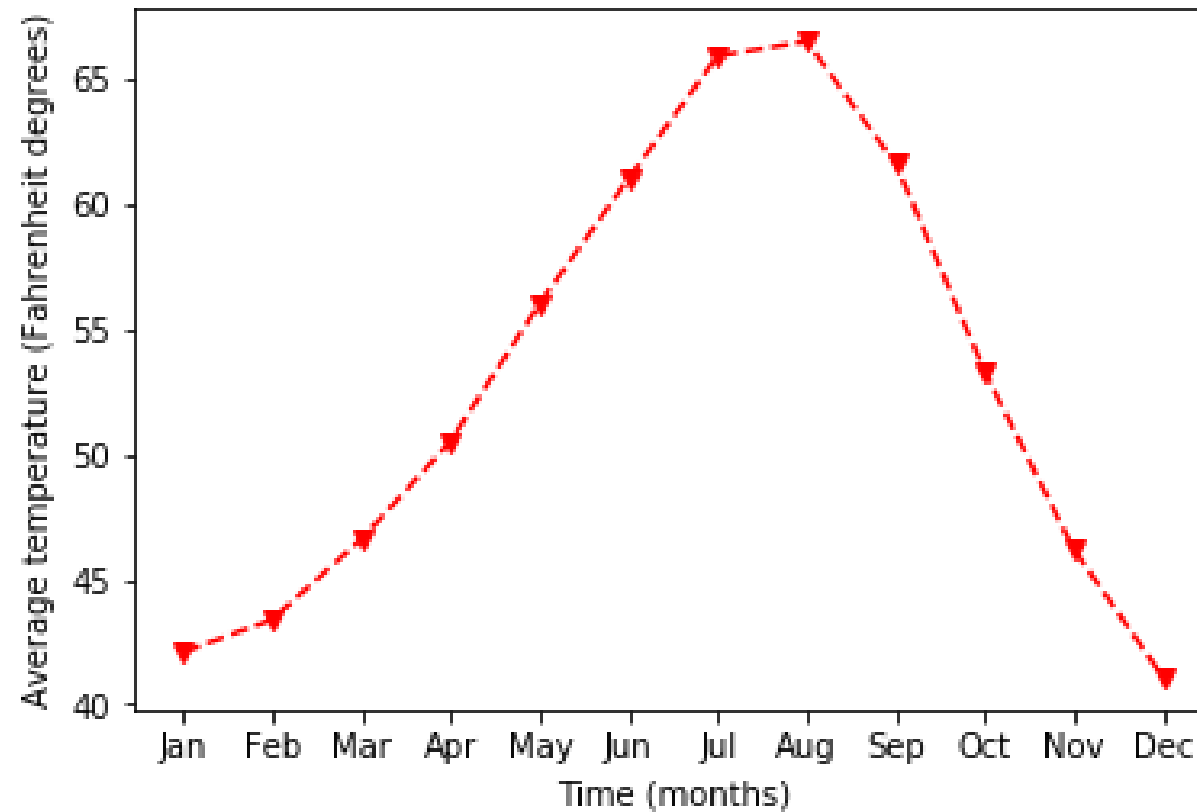
Customizing the axes labels

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



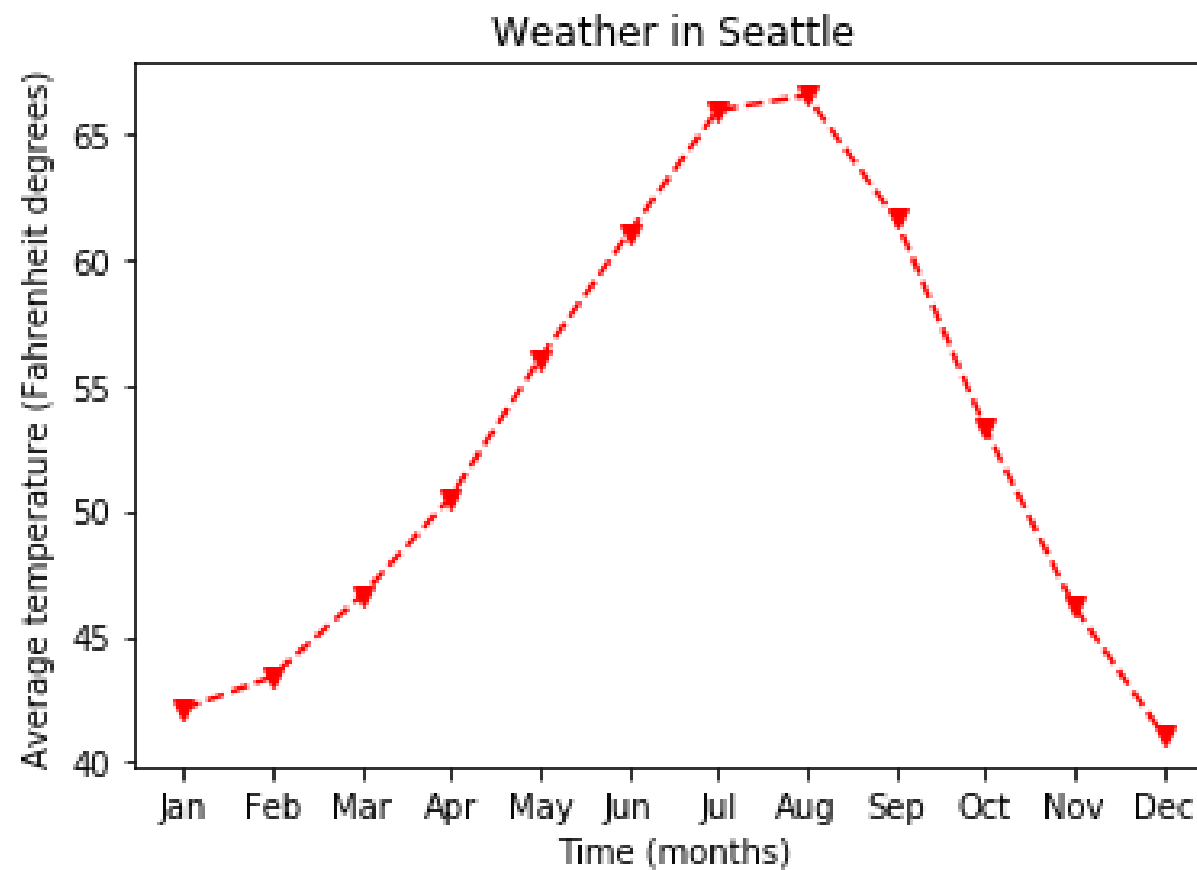
Setting the y axis label

```
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()
```



Practice customizing your plots!

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Small multiples

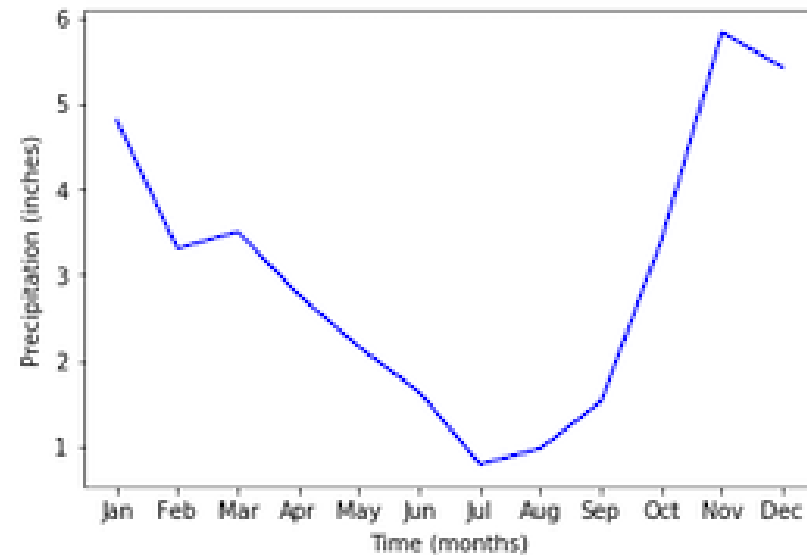
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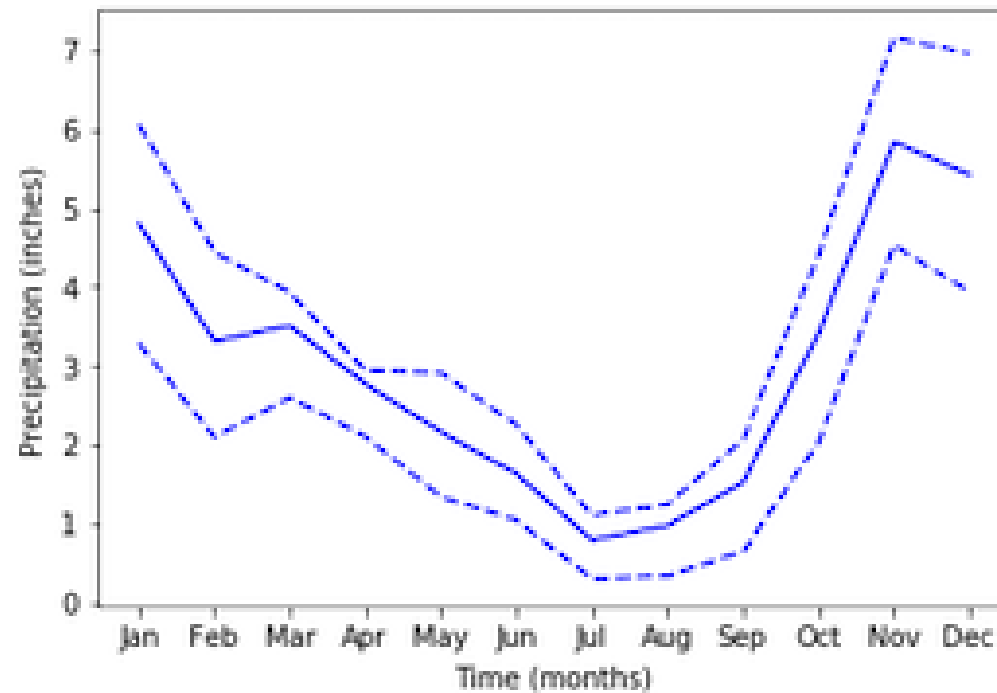
Adding data

```
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

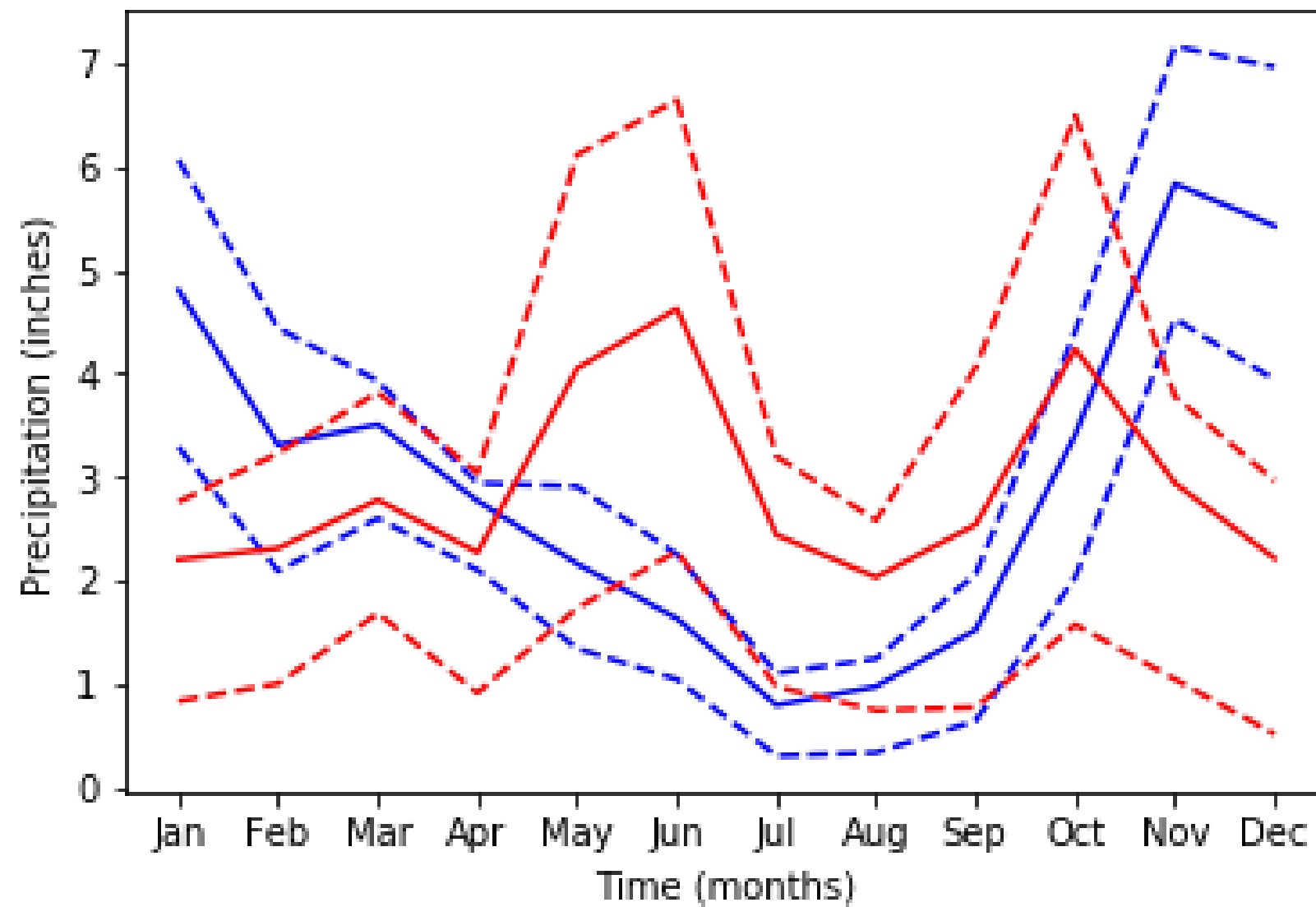
```
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"],  
        linestyle='--', color='b')  
ax.plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL"],  
        linestyle='--', color='b')  
plt.show()
```



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()
```

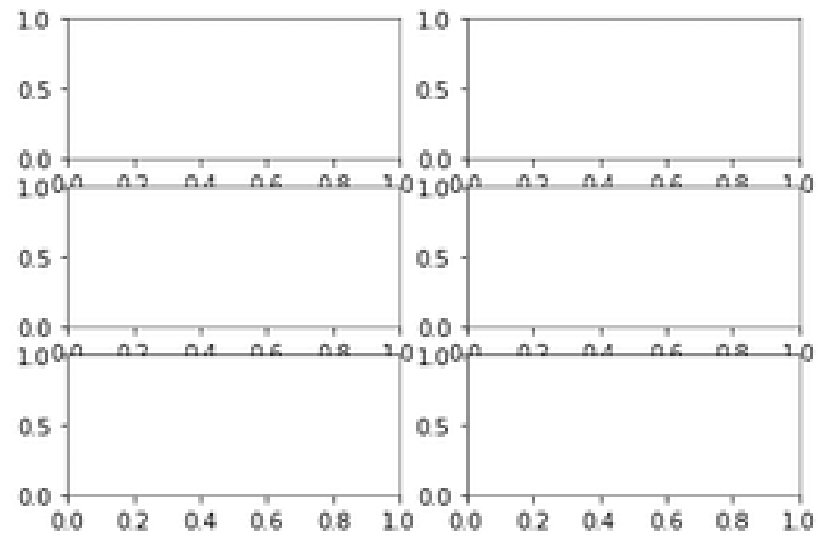
Too much data!



Small multiples with plt.subplots

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

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



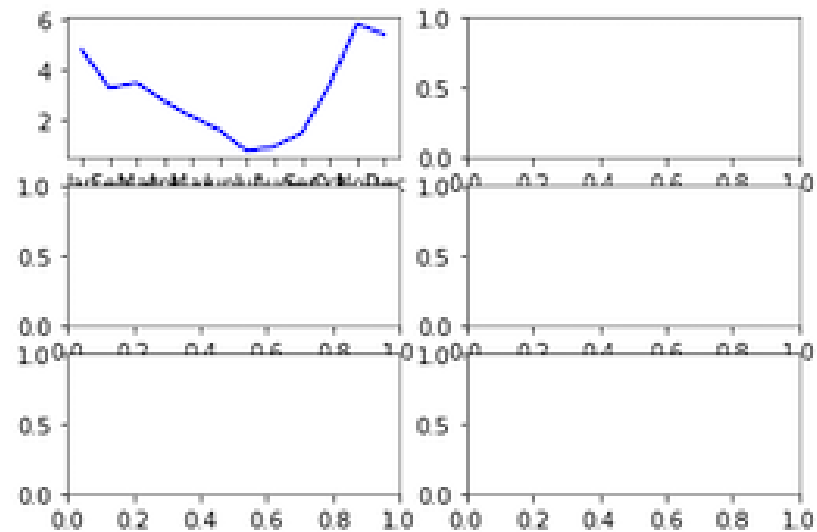
Adding data to subplots

```
ax.shape
```

```
(3, 2)
```

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

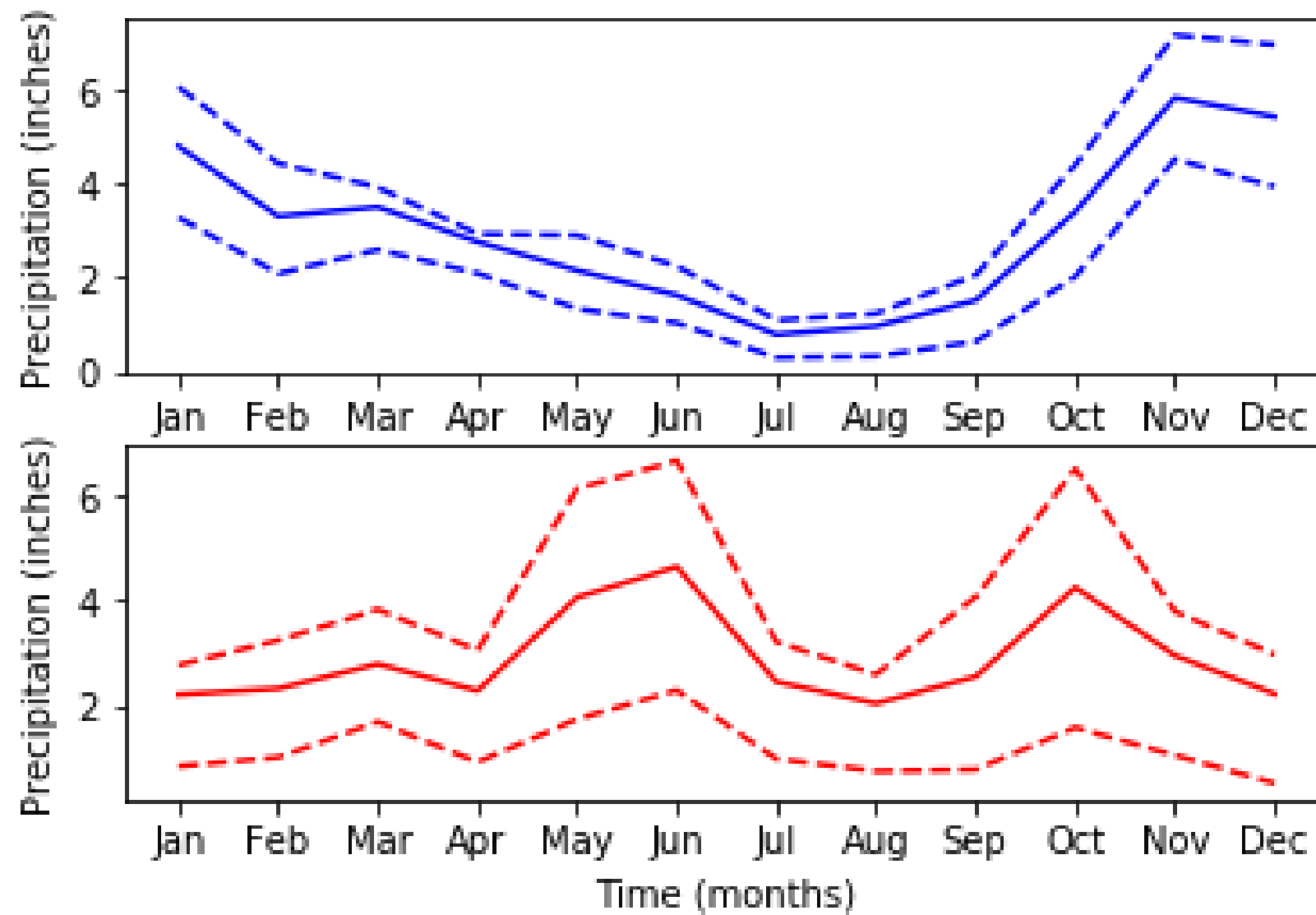
```
plt.show()
```



Subplots with data

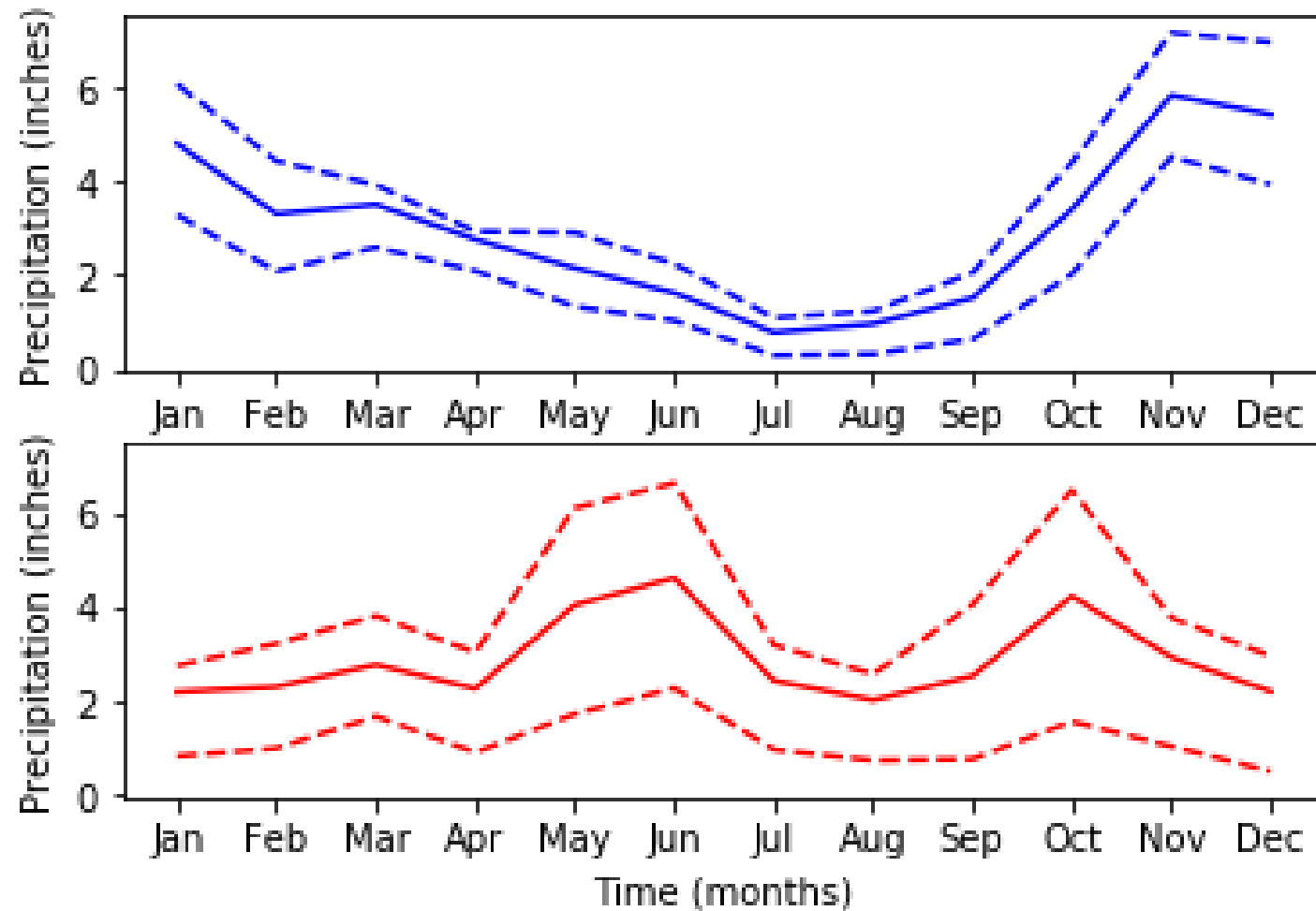
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2, 1)
ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-NORMAL"],
           color='b')
ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-25PCTL"],
           linestyle='--', color='b')
ax[0].plot(seattle_weather["MONTH"], seattle_weather["MLY-PRCP-75PCTL"],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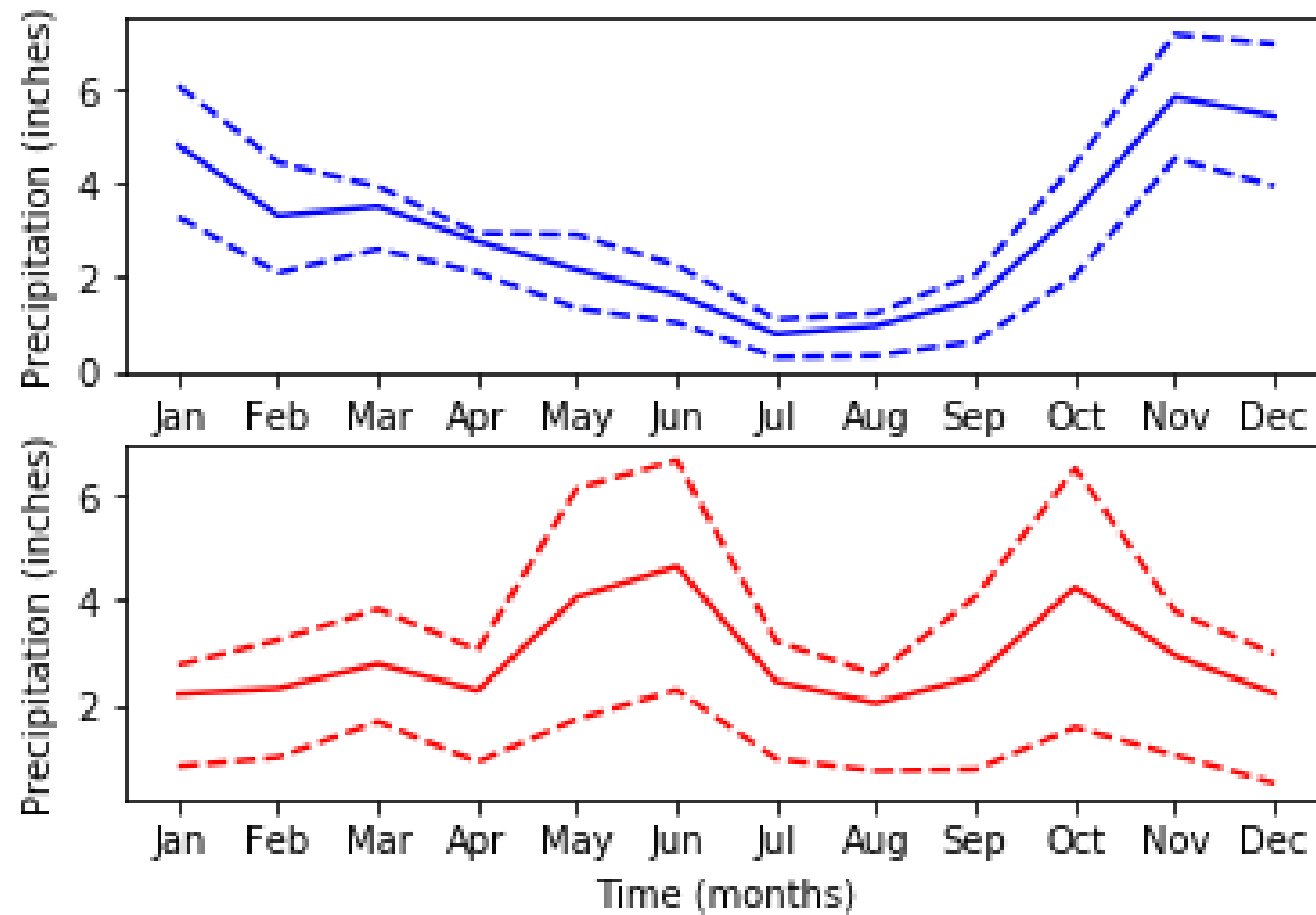
Plotting time-series data

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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
```

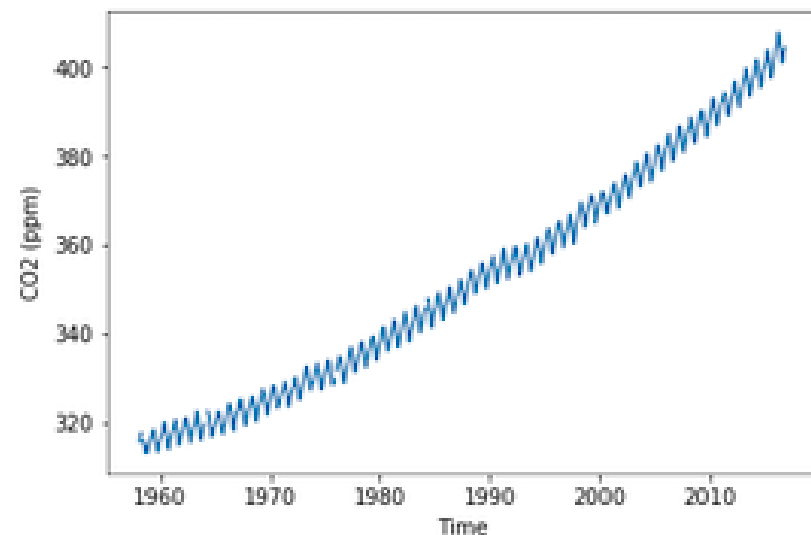
```
climate_change['co2']
```

```
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()
```

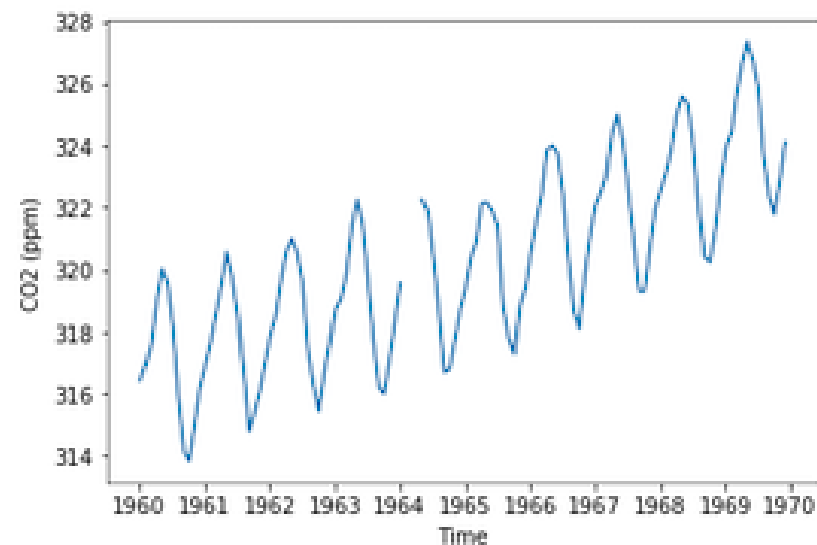
```
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change['co2'])  
ax.set_xlabel('Time')  
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm)')  
plt.show()
```



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()
```

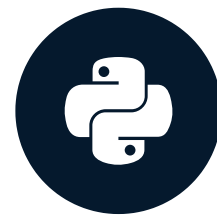


Let's practice time-series plotting!

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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")
```

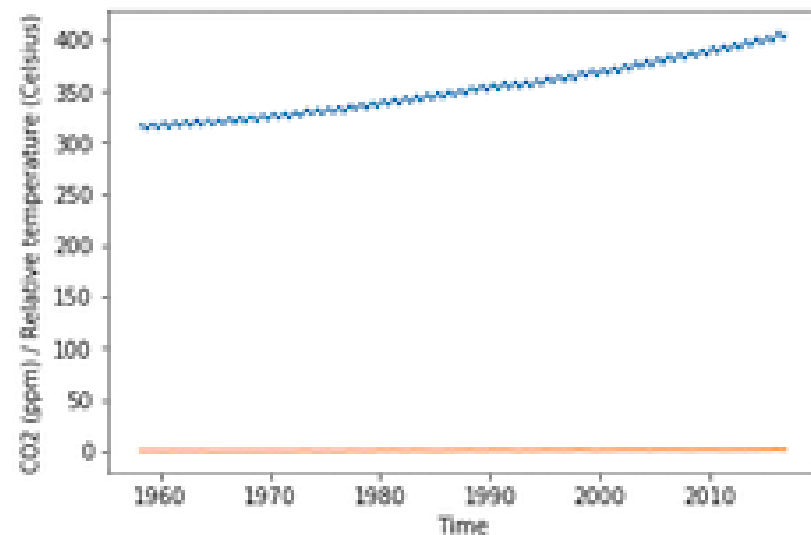
climate_change

```
      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]
```

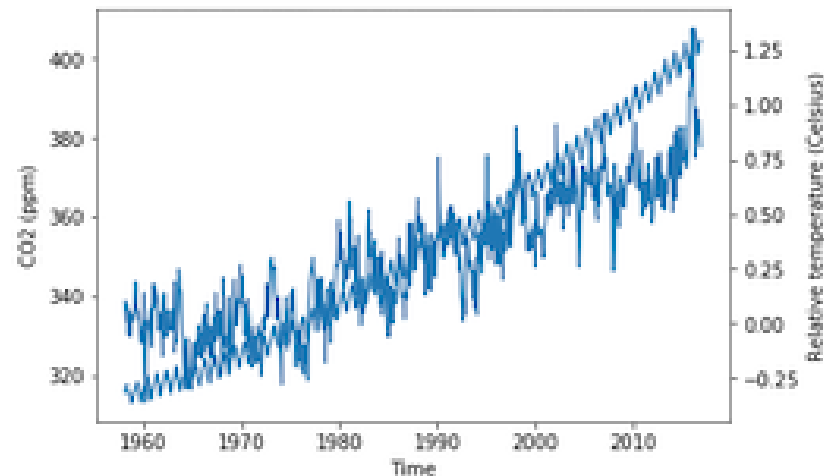
Plotting two time-series together

```
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()
```



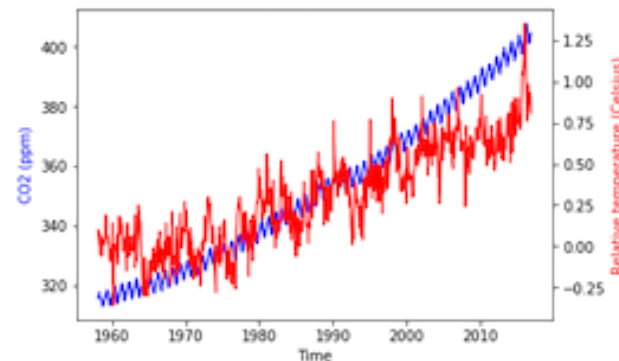
Using twin axes

```
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

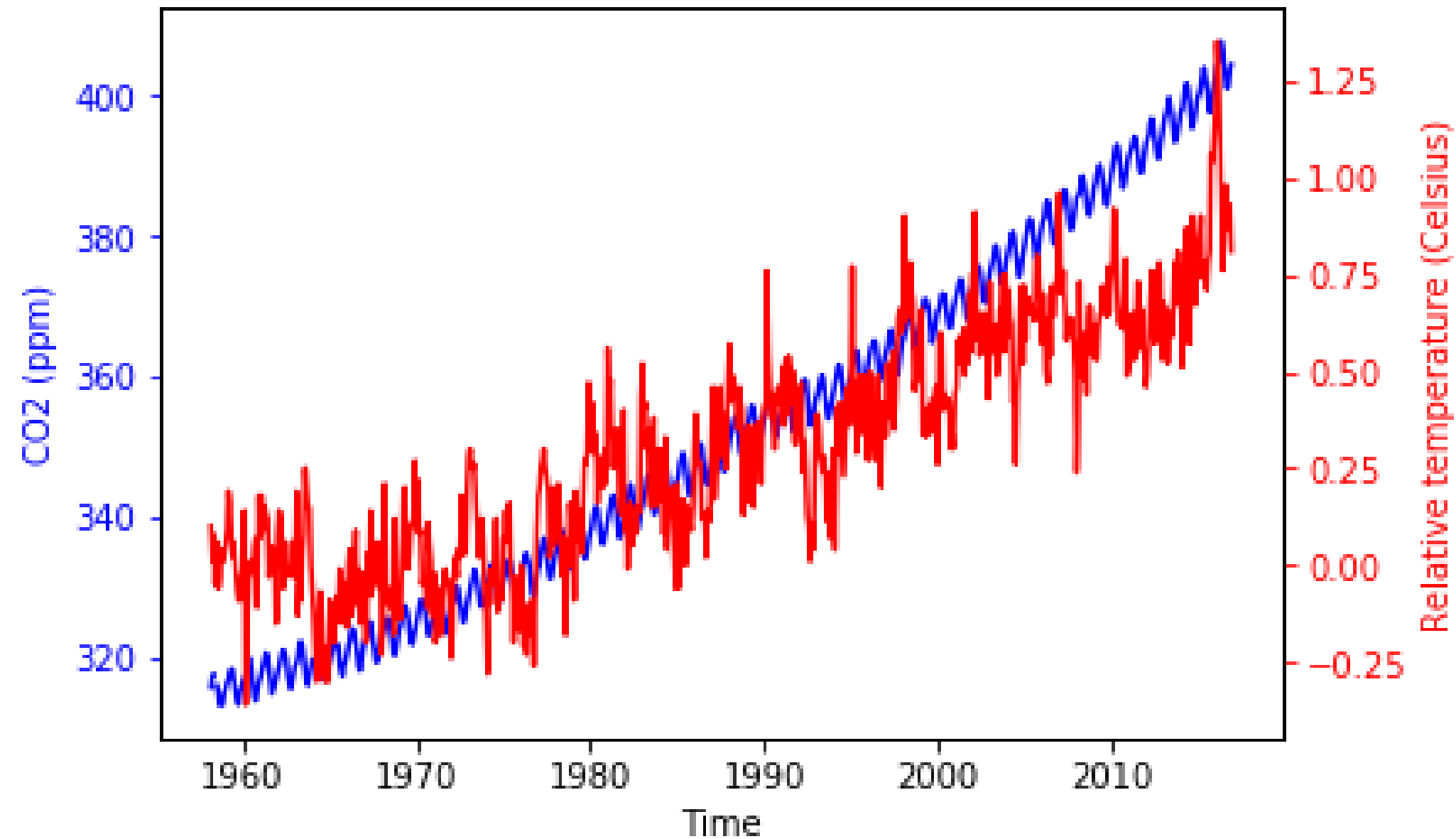
```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["co2"], color='blue')
ax.set_xlabel('Time')
ax.set_ylabel('CO2 (ppm)', color='blue')
ax2 = ax.twinx()
ax2.plot(climate_change.index, climate_change["relative_temp"],
         color='red')
ax2.set_ylabel('Relative temperature (Celsius)',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

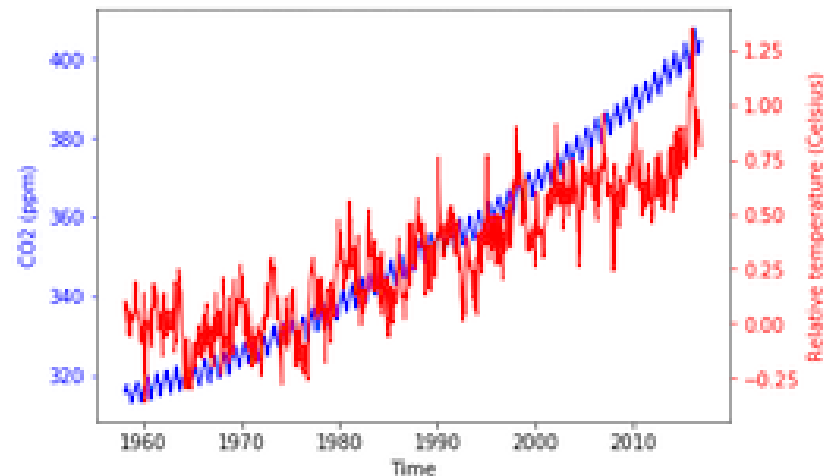


A function that plots time-series

```
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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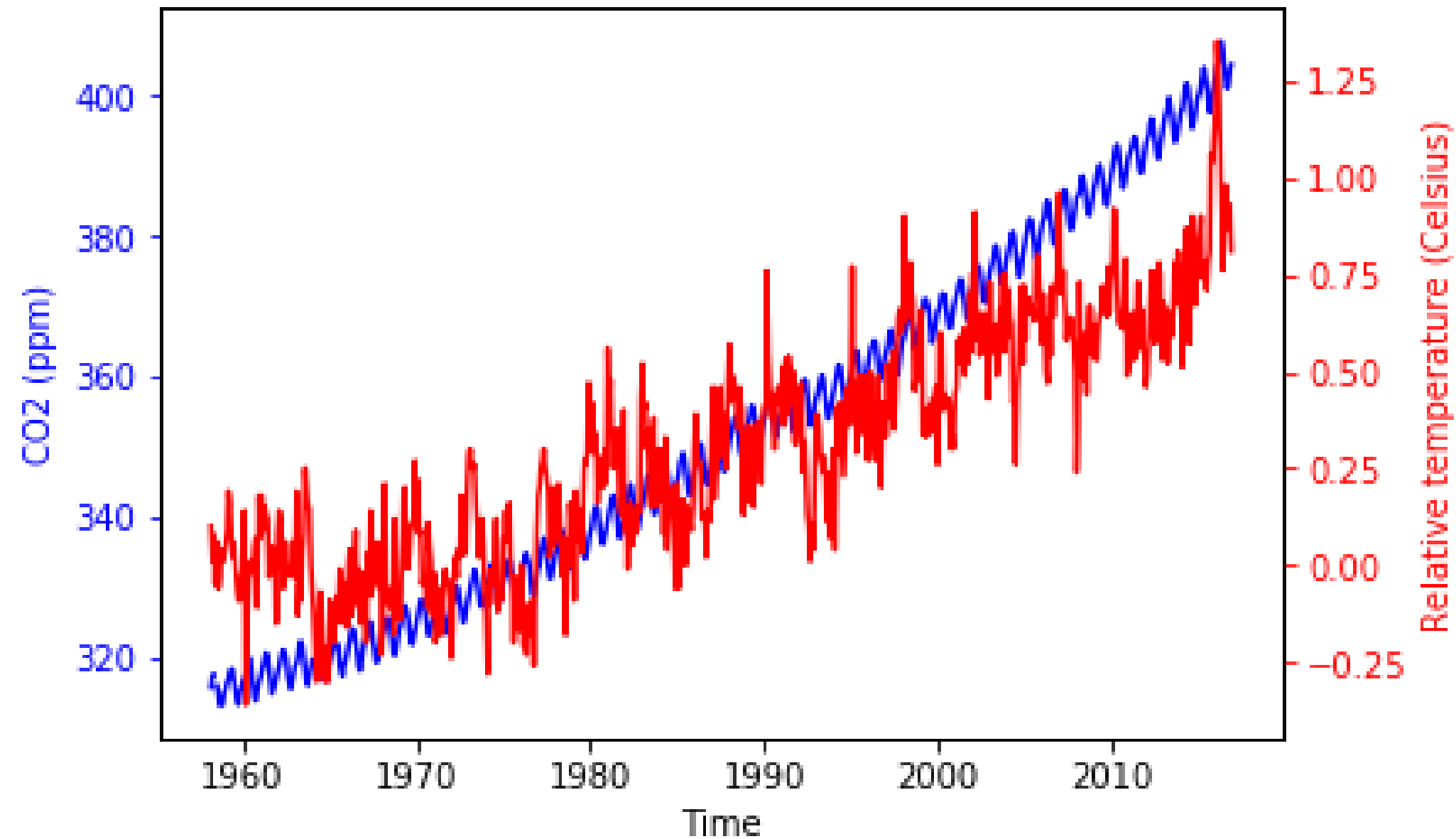
Annotating time-series data

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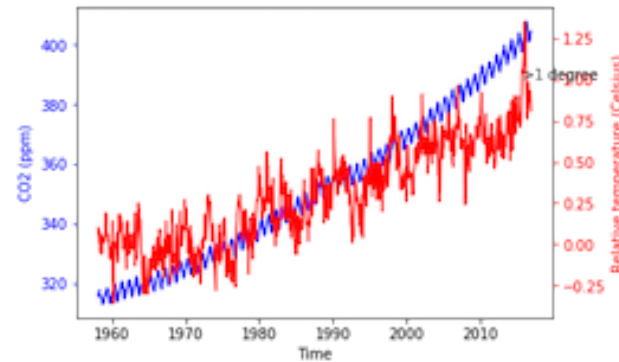
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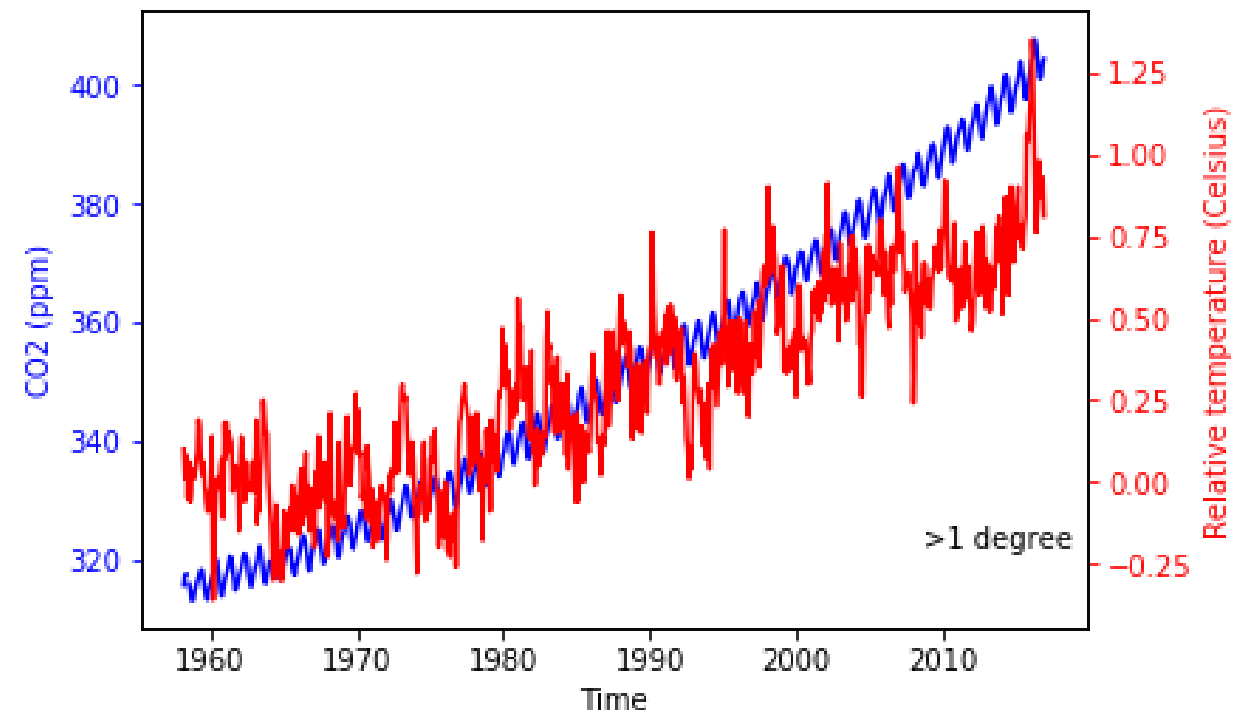
Annotation

```
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()
```



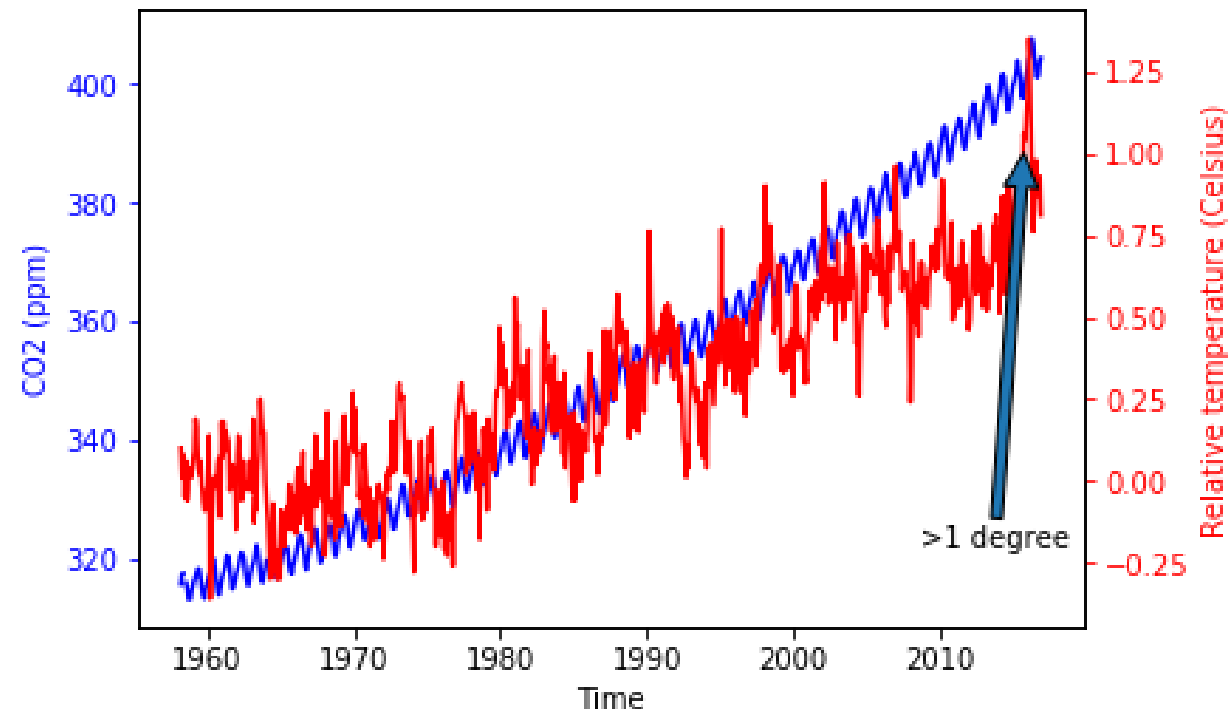
Positioning the text

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



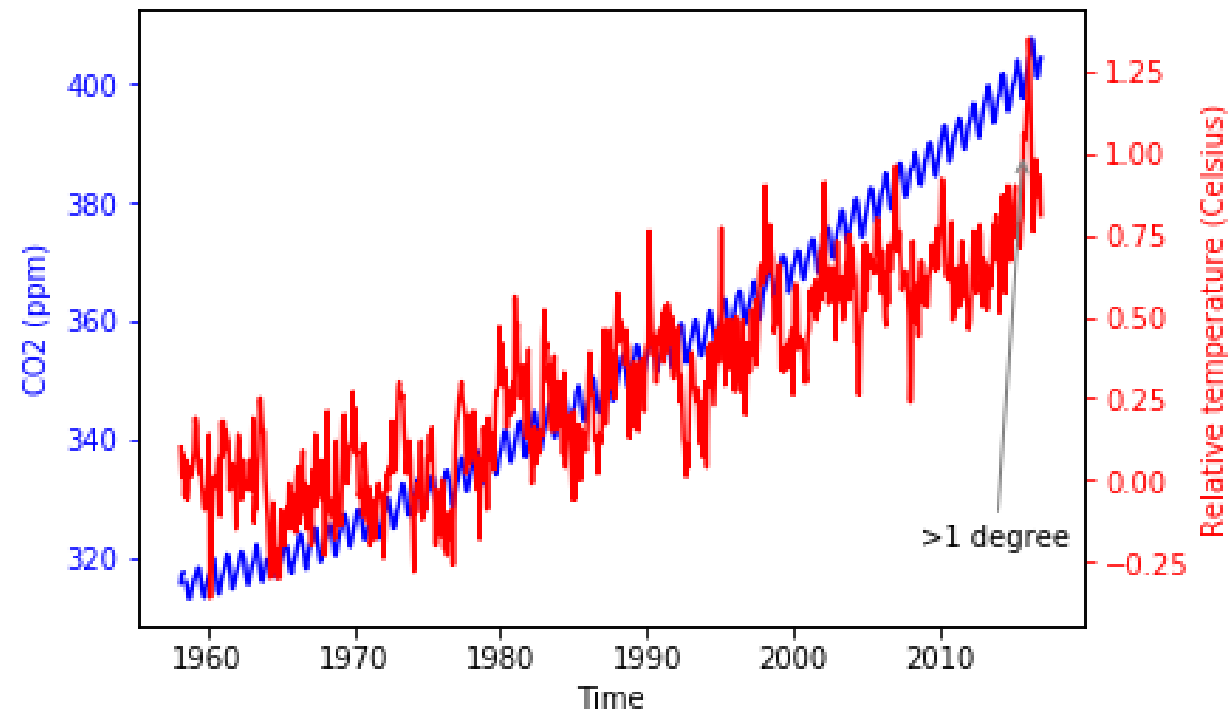
Adding arrows to annotation

```
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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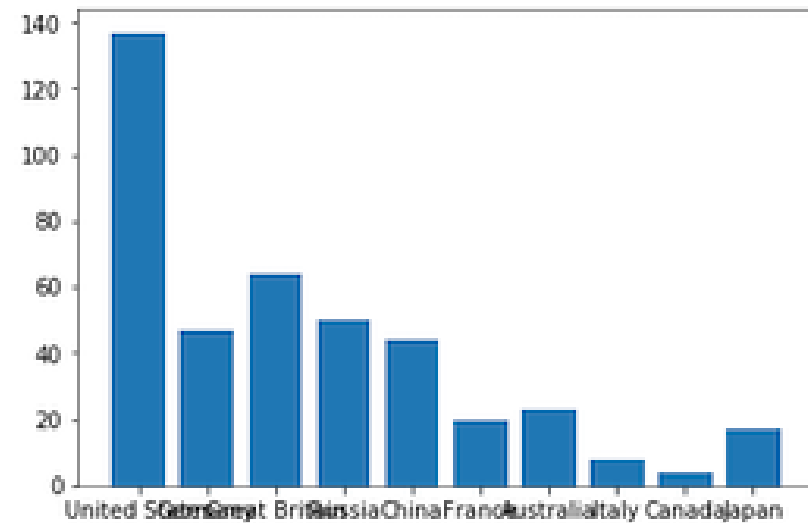
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Olympic medals

```
,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
```

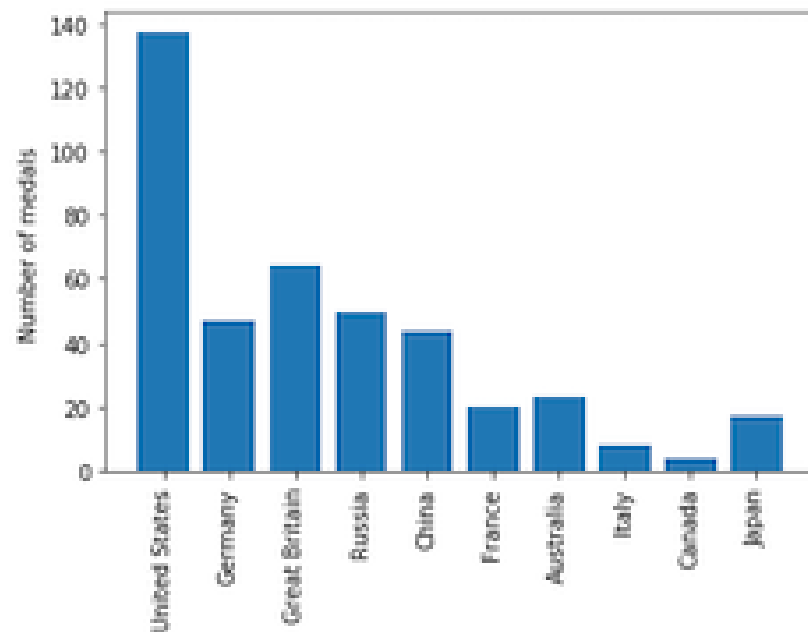
Olympic medals: visualizing the data

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



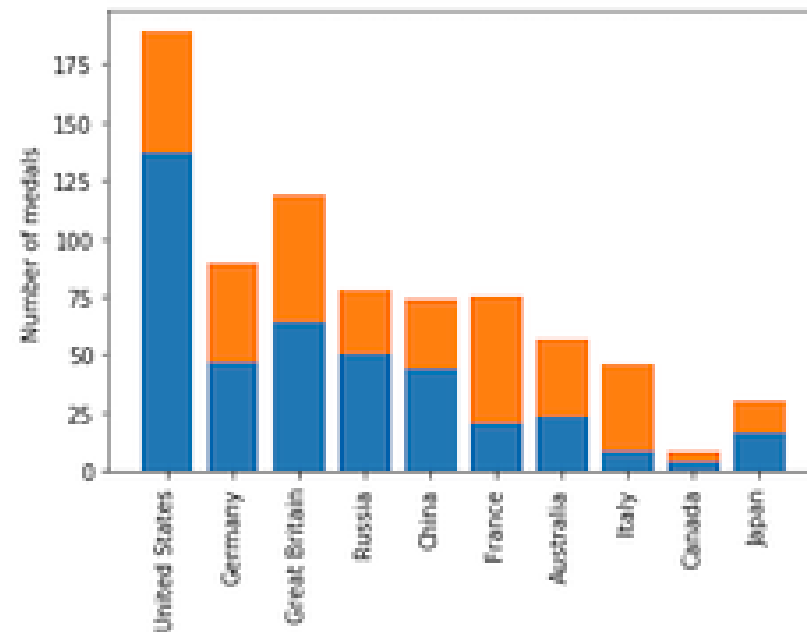
Interlude: rotate the tick labels

```
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()
```

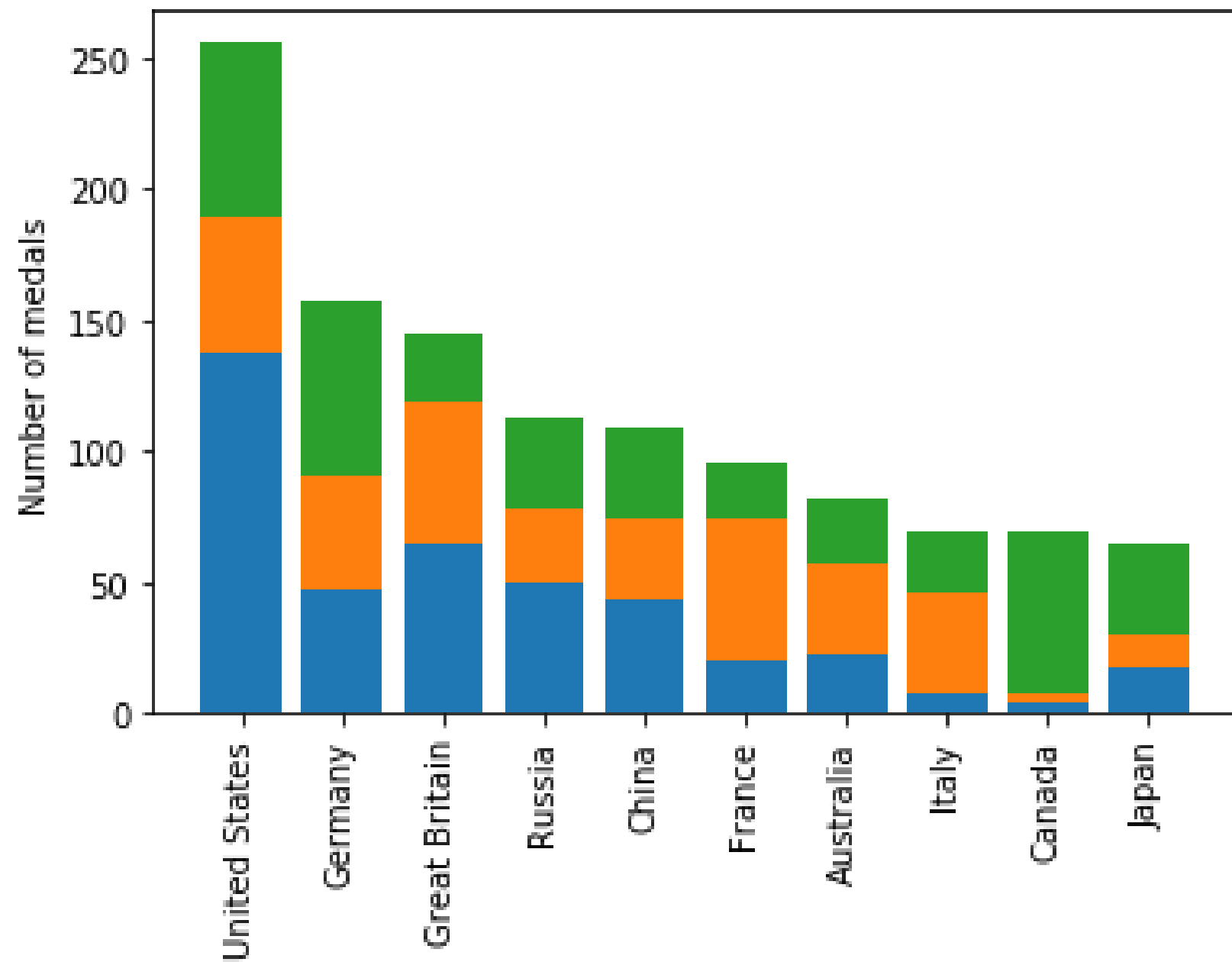


Olympic medals: visualizing all three

```
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"])

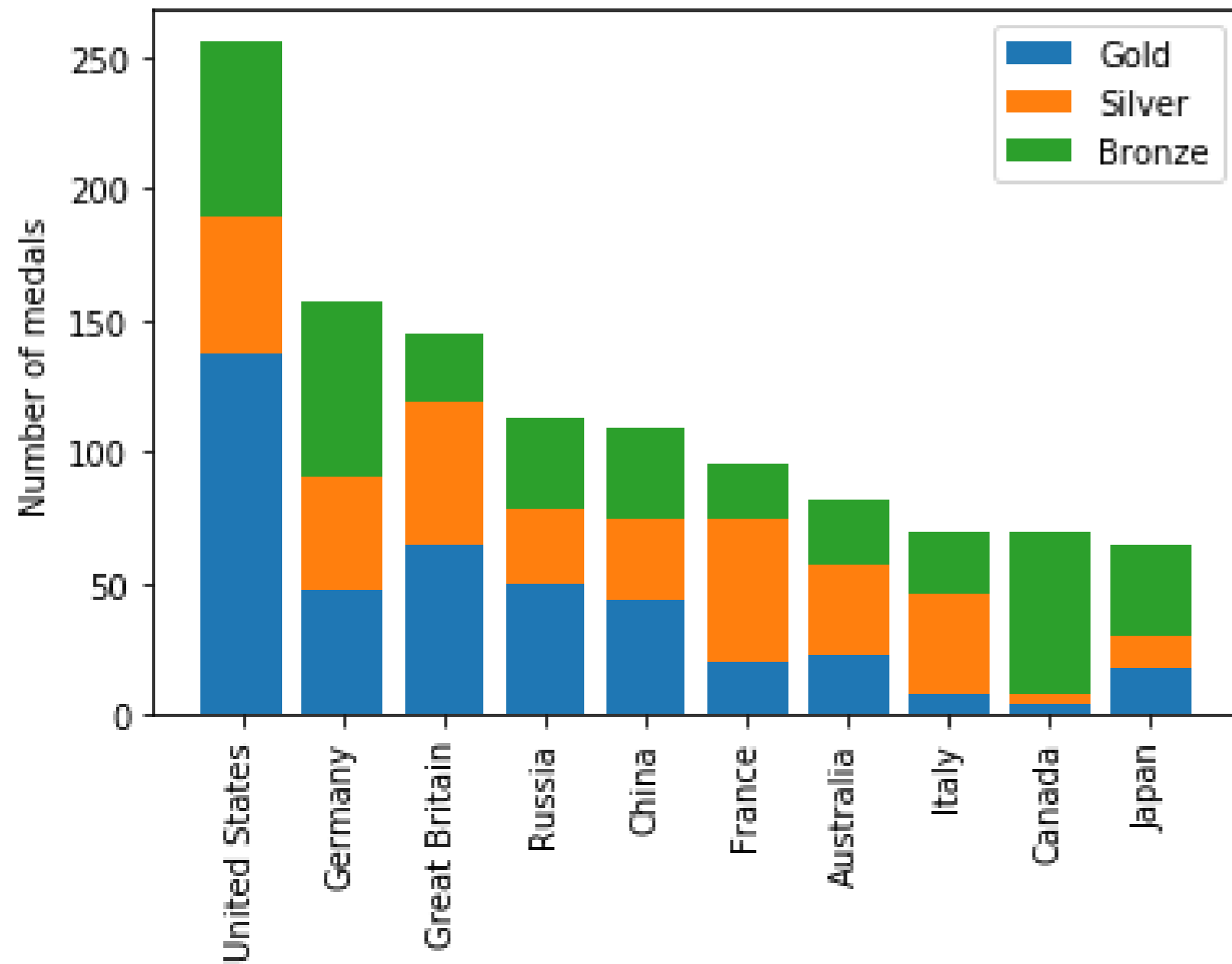
ax.set_xticklabels(medals.index, rotation=90)
ax.set_ylabel("Number of medals")
```

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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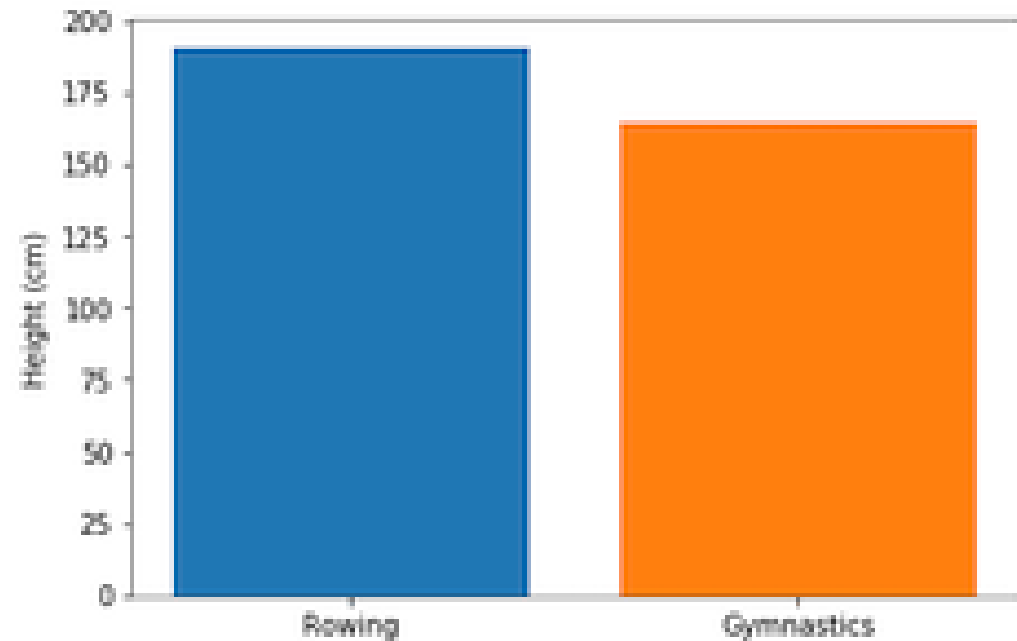
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Histograms

| 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 |

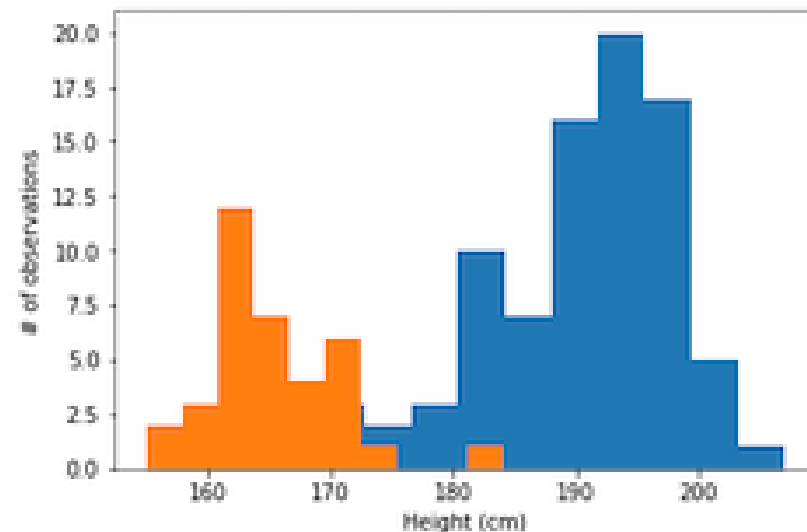
A bar chart again

```
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()
```



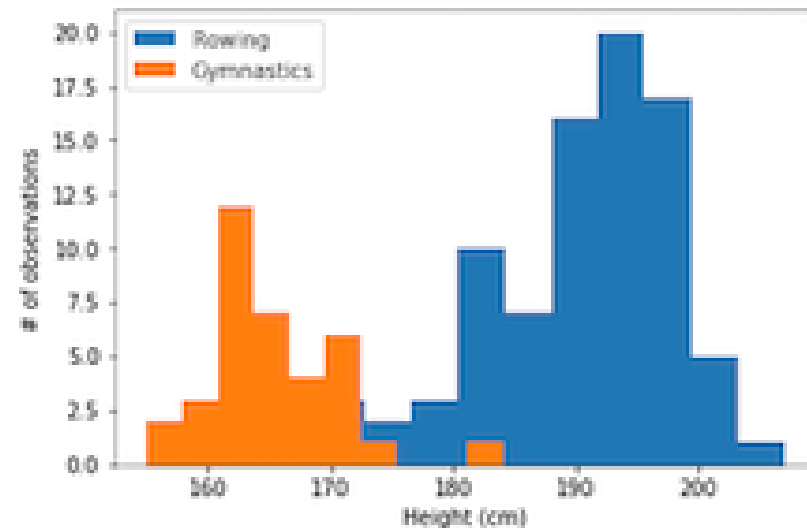
Introducing histograms

```
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()
```



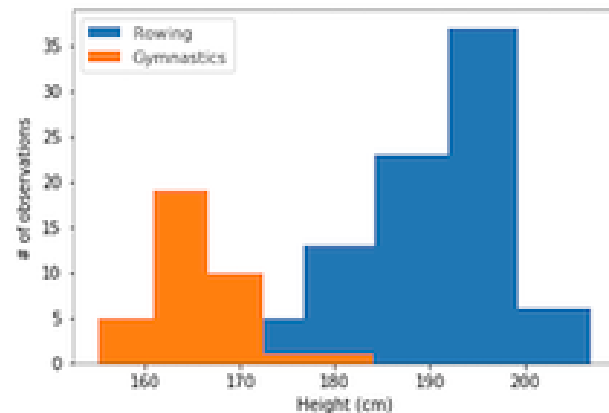
Labels are needed

```
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()
```



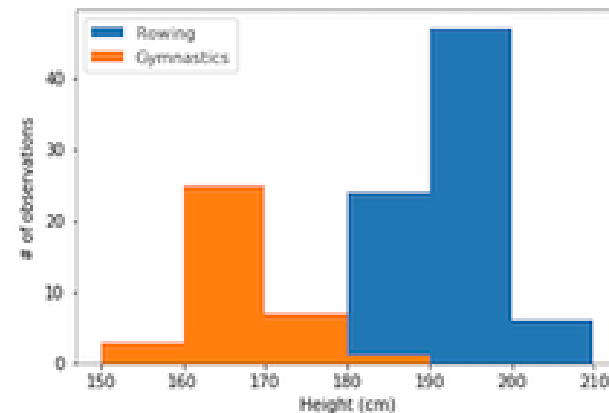
Customizing histograms: setting the number of bins

```
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

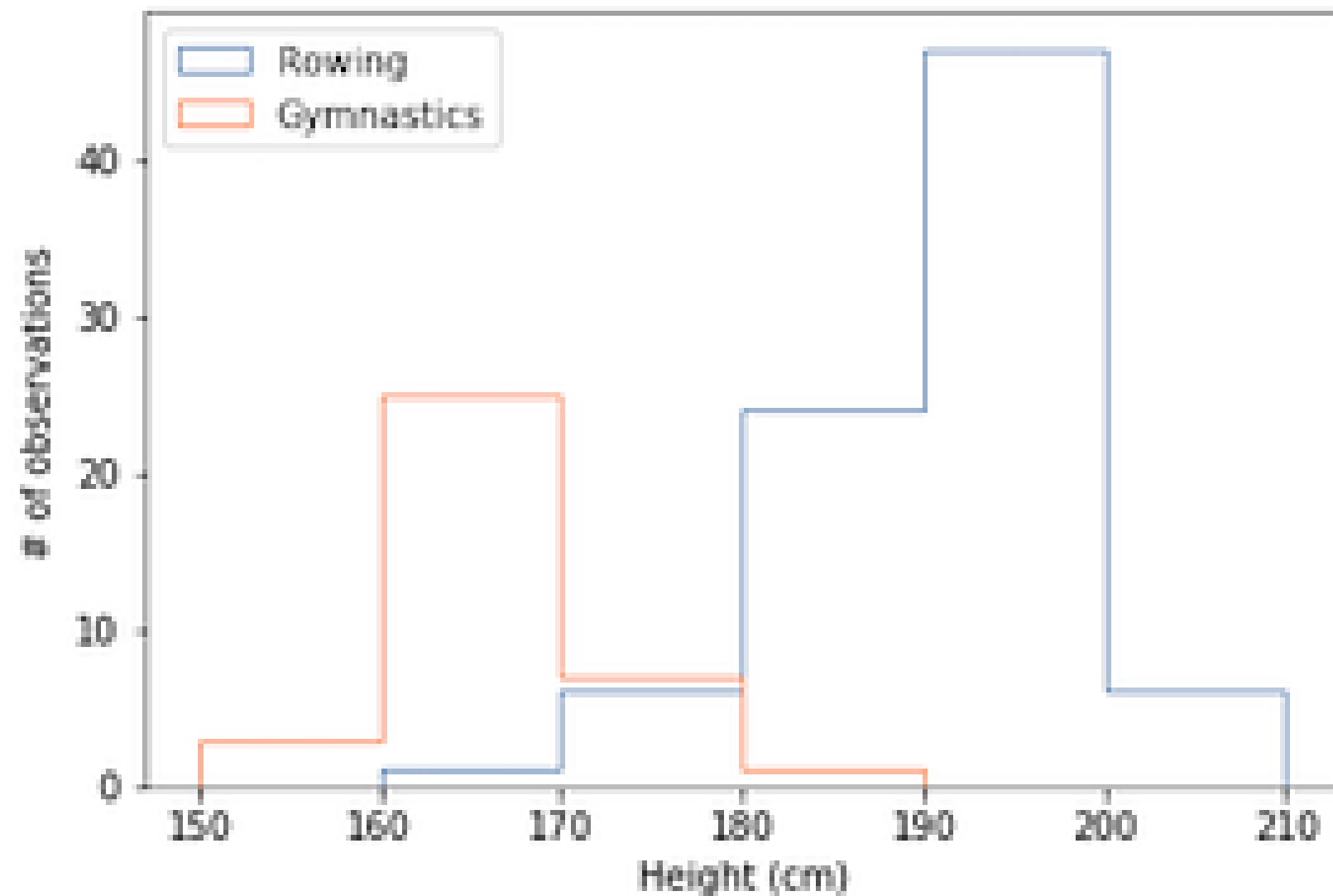
```
ax.hist(mens_rowing["Height"], label="Rowing",  
        bins=[150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210])  
  
ax.hist(mens_gymnastic["Height"], label="Gymnastics",  
        bins=[150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210])  
  
ax.set_xlabel("Height (cm)")  
ax.set_ylabel("# of observations")  
ax.legend()  
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

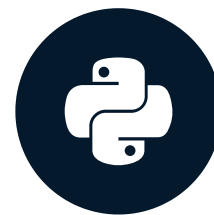


Create your own histogram!

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Adding error bars to bar charts

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

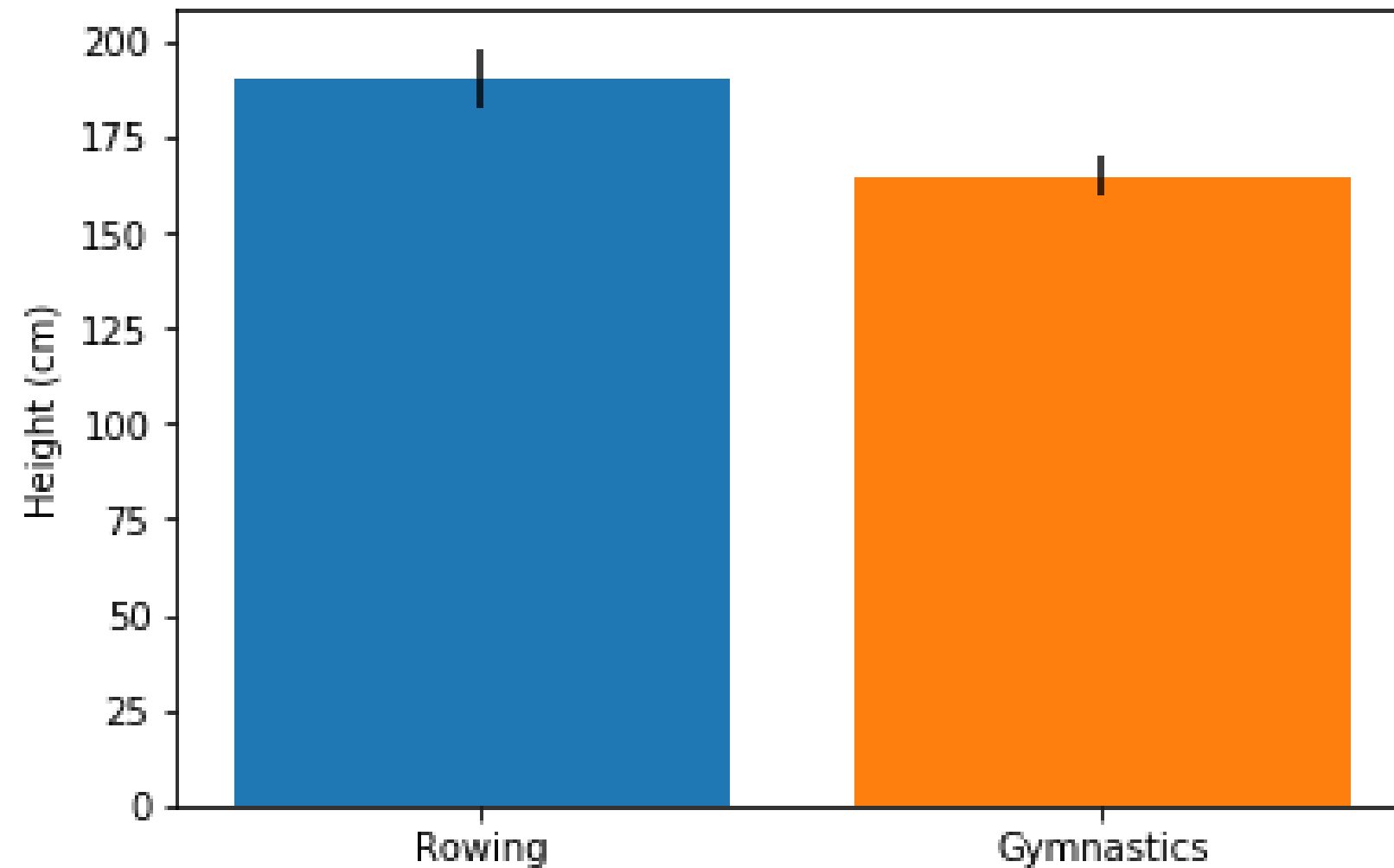
ax.bar("Rowing",
      mens_rowing["Height"].mean(),
      yerr=mens_rowing["Height"].std())

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()

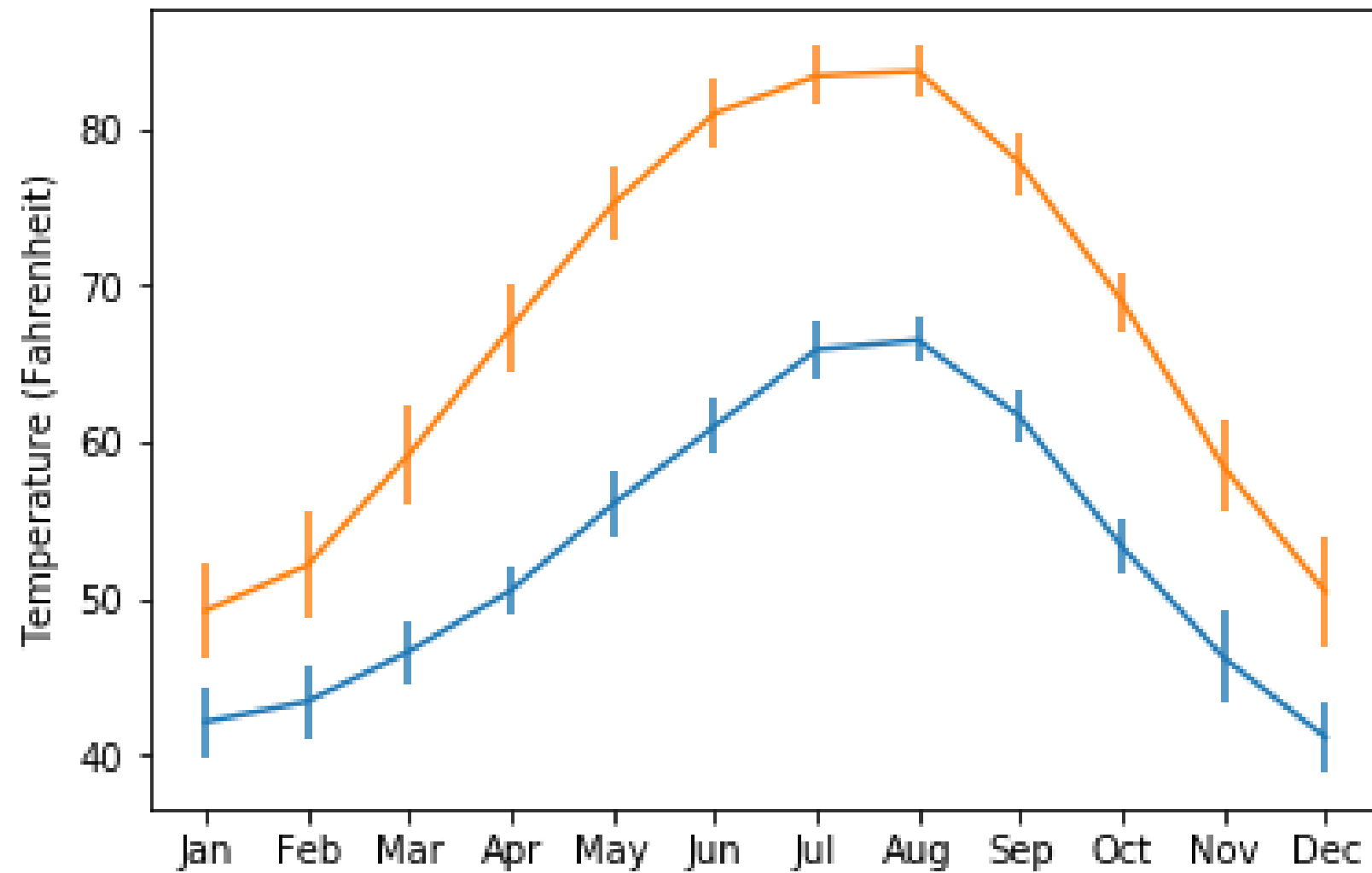
ax.errorbar(seattle_weather["MONTH"],
            seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-NORMAL"],
            yerr=seattle_weather["MLY-TAVG-STDDEV"])

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

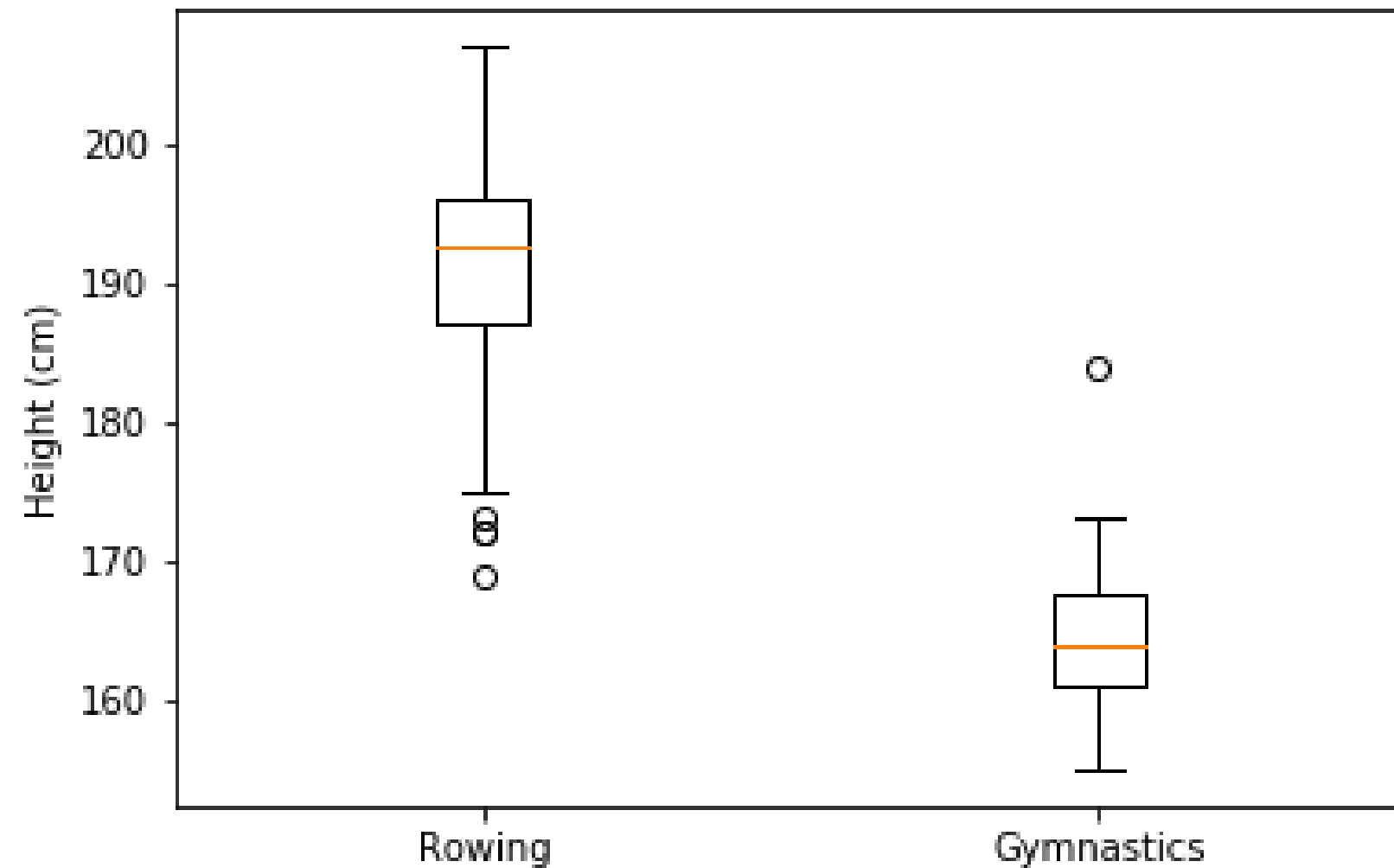


Adding boxplots

```
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

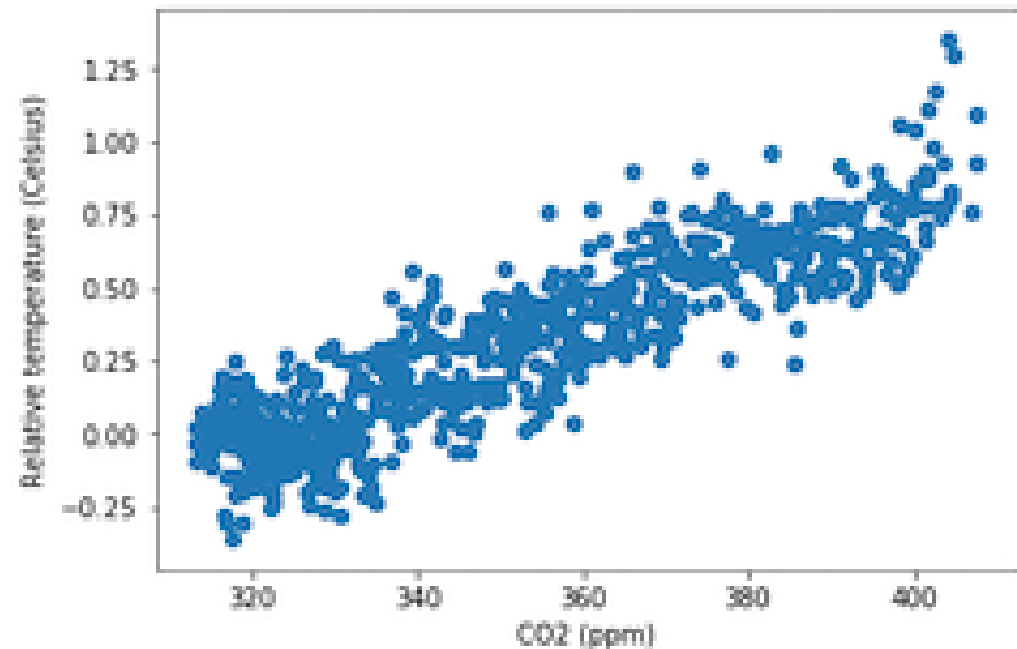
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Introducing scatter plots

```
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()
```



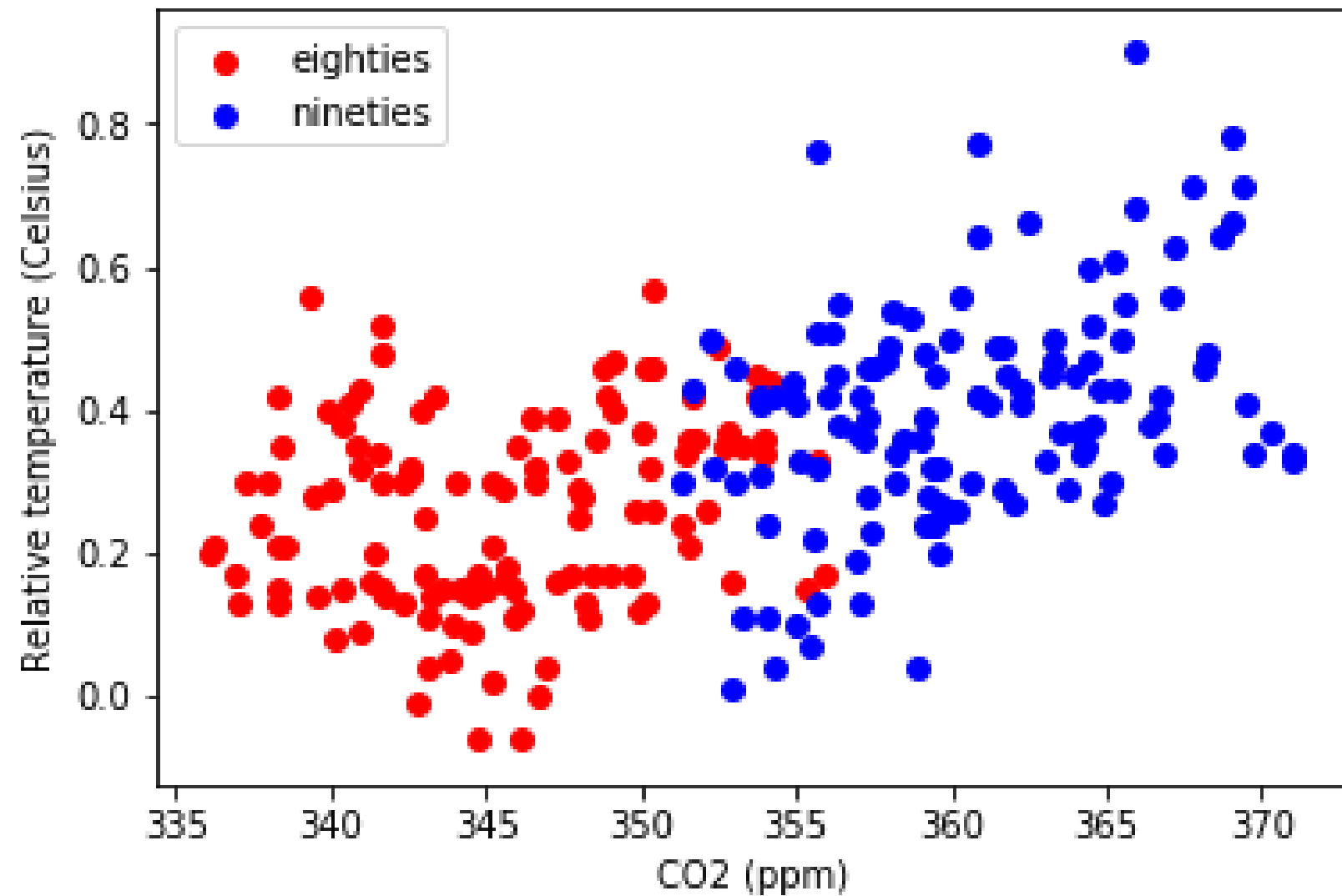
Customizing scatter plots

```
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"], eighty["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()
```

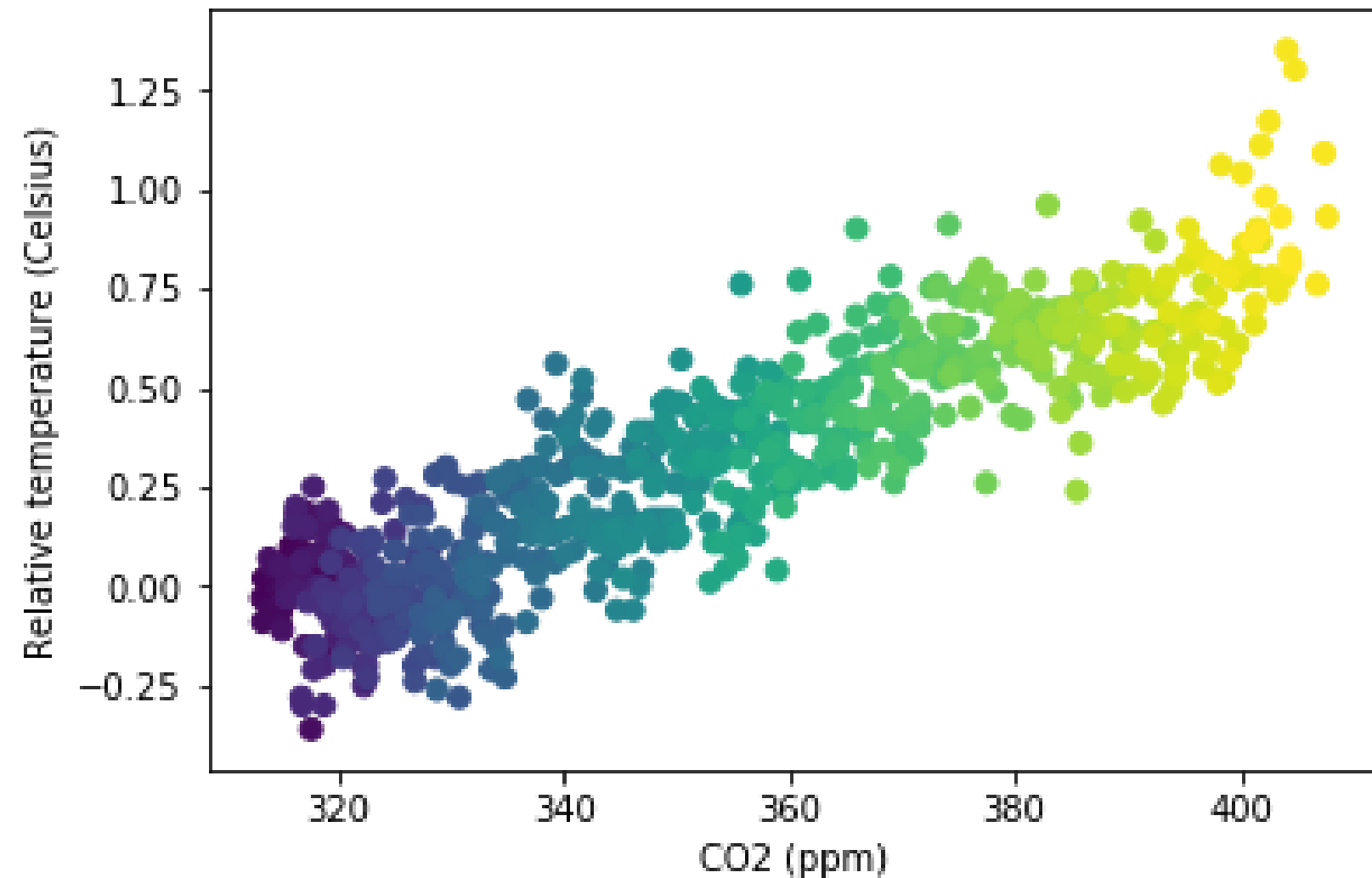
Encoding a comparison by color



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

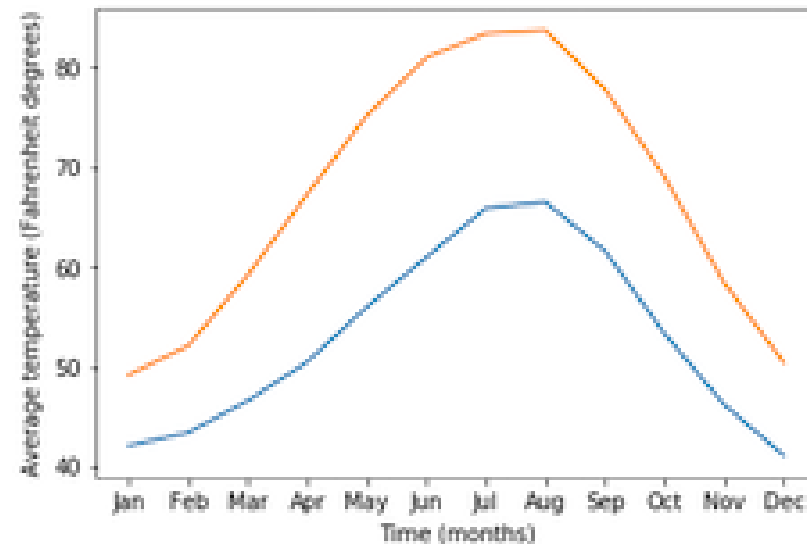
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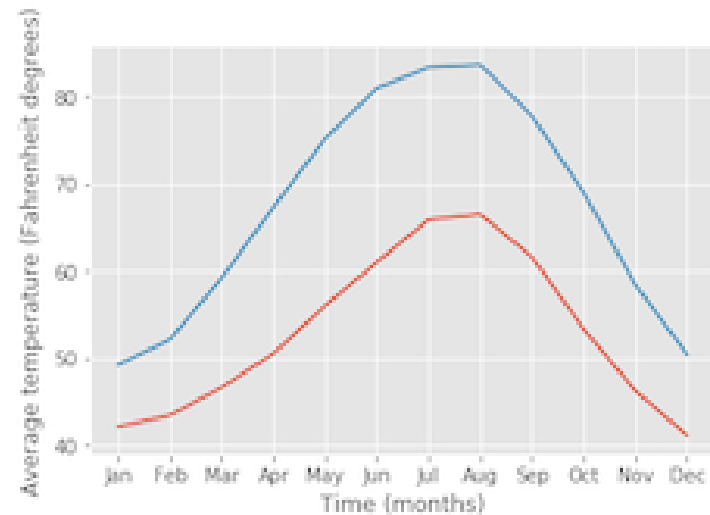
Changing plot style

```
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

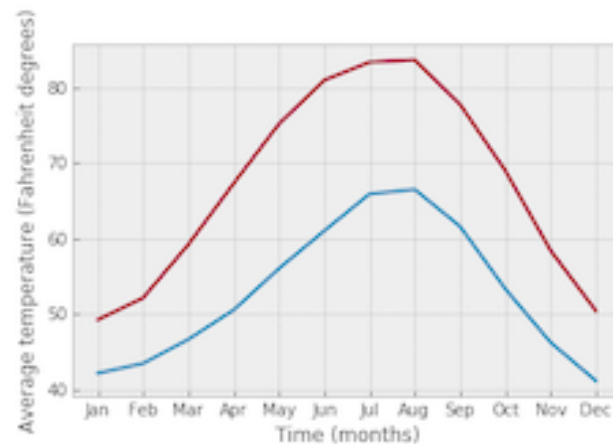
```
plt.style.use("default")
```

The available styles

[https://matplotlib.org/gallery/style_sheets/style_sheets_refer](https://matplotlib.org/gallery/style_sheets/style_sheets_reference.html)

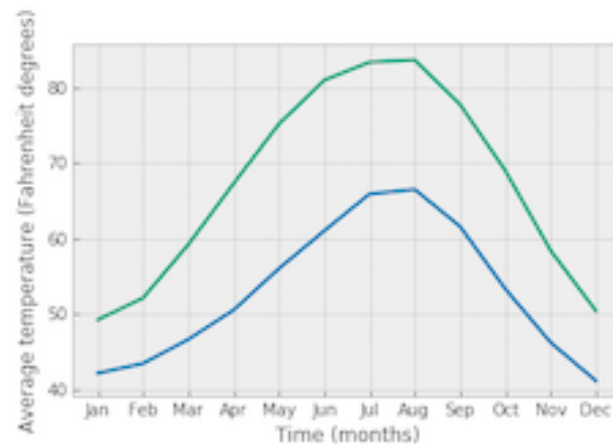
The "bmh" style

```
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

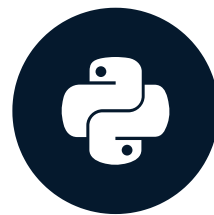
- Dark backgrounds are usually less visible
- If color is important, consider choosing colorblind-friendly options
 - "seaborn-colorblind" or "tableau-colorblind10"
- If you think that someone will want to print your figure, use less ink
- If it will be printed in black-and-white, use the "grayscale"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

Practice choosing the right style for you!

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Sharing your visualizations with others

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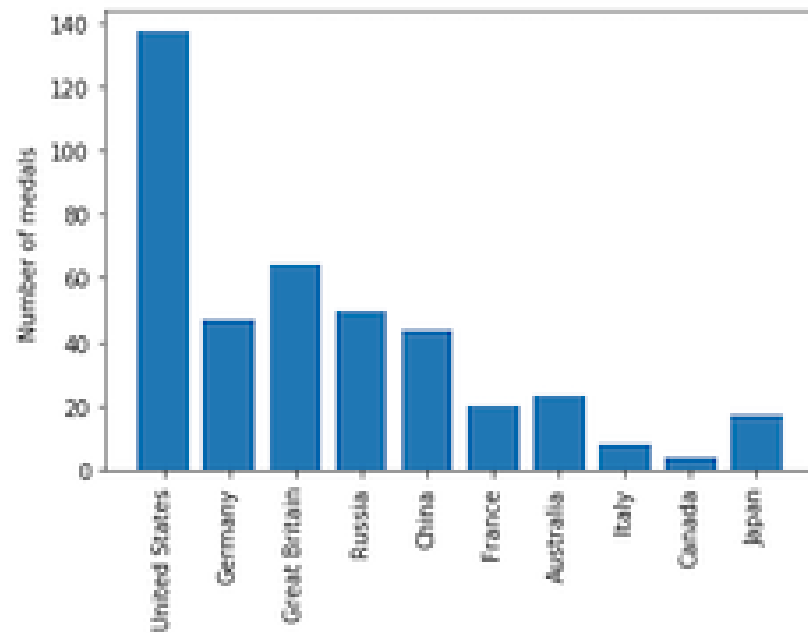
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A figure to share

```
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)
```

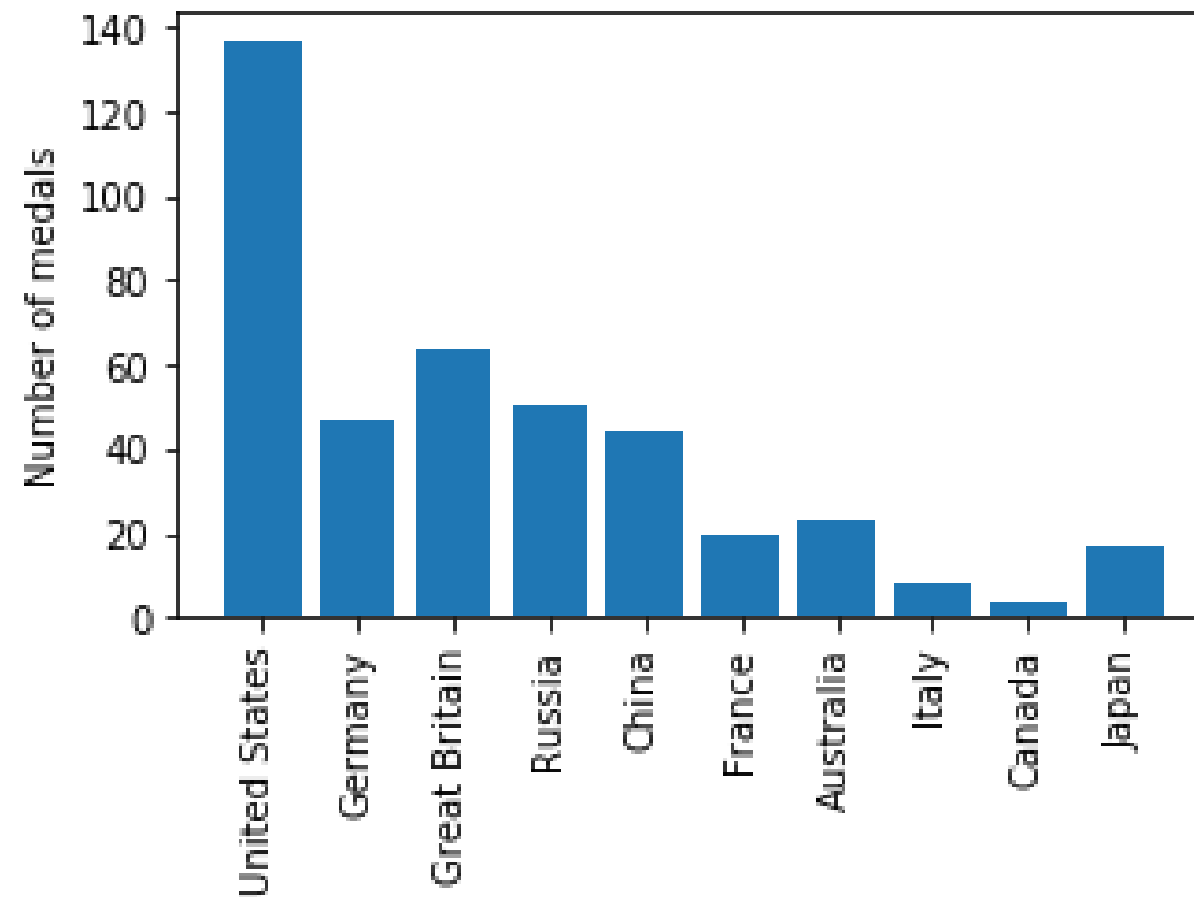
```
fig.savefig("gold_medals.svg")
```

Resolution

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

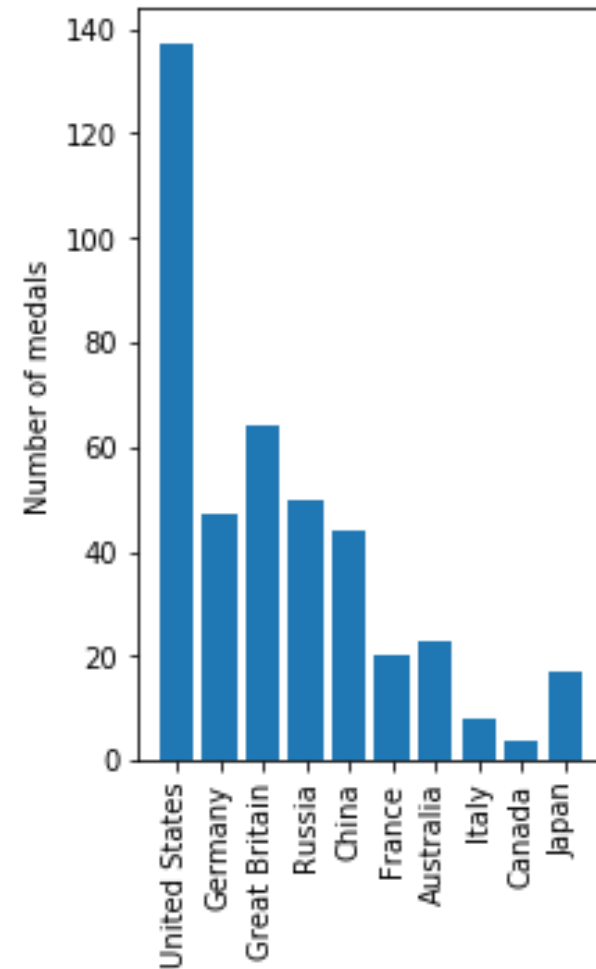
Size

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



Another aspect ratio

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

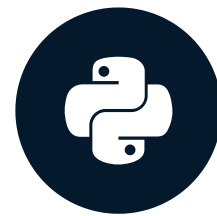


Practice saving your visualizations!

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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)

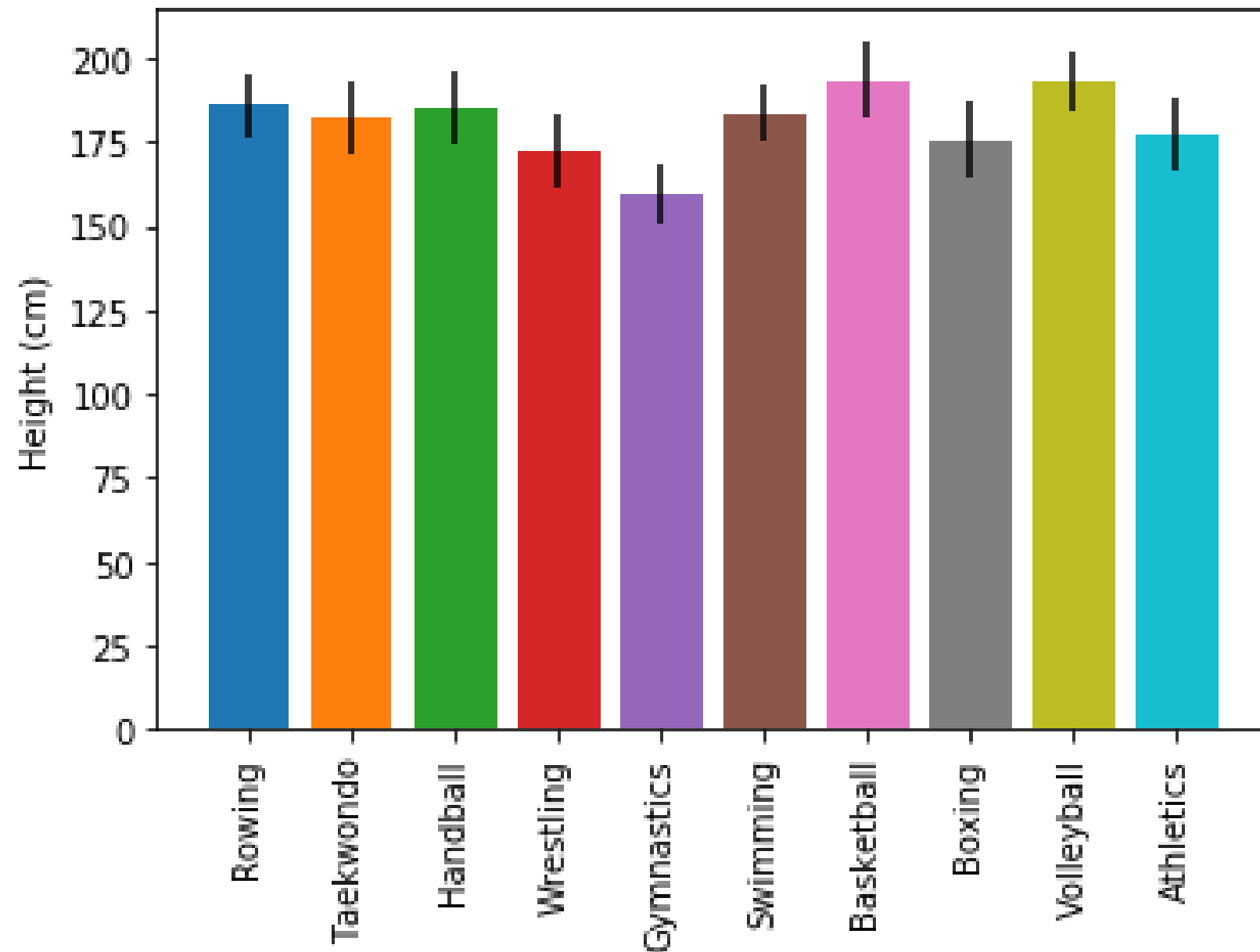
['Rowing' 'Taekwondo' 'Handball' 'Wrestling'
 'Gymnastics' 'Swimming' 'Basketball' 'Boxing'
 'Volleyball' 'Athletics']
```

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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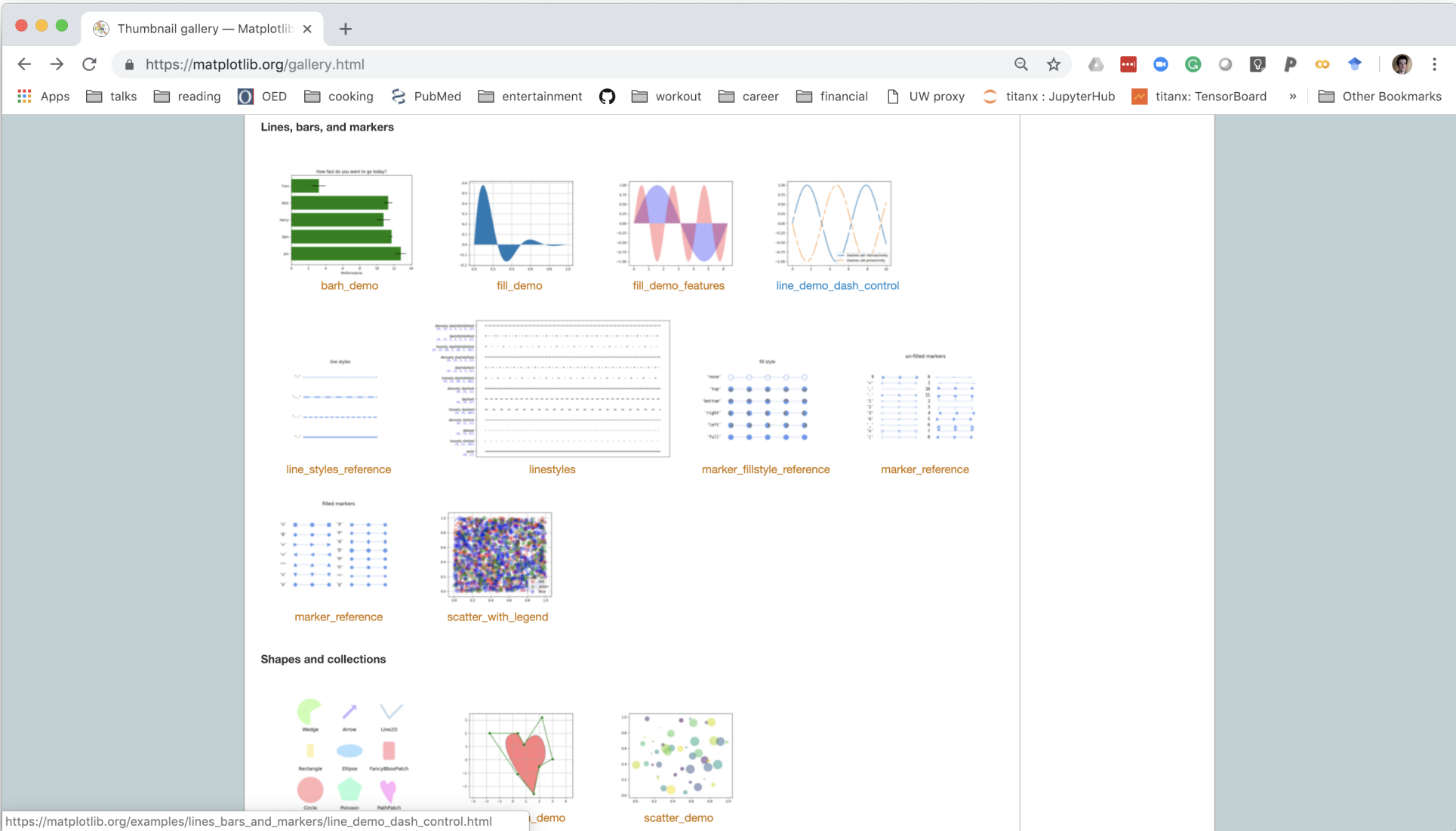


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The Matplotlib gallery

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

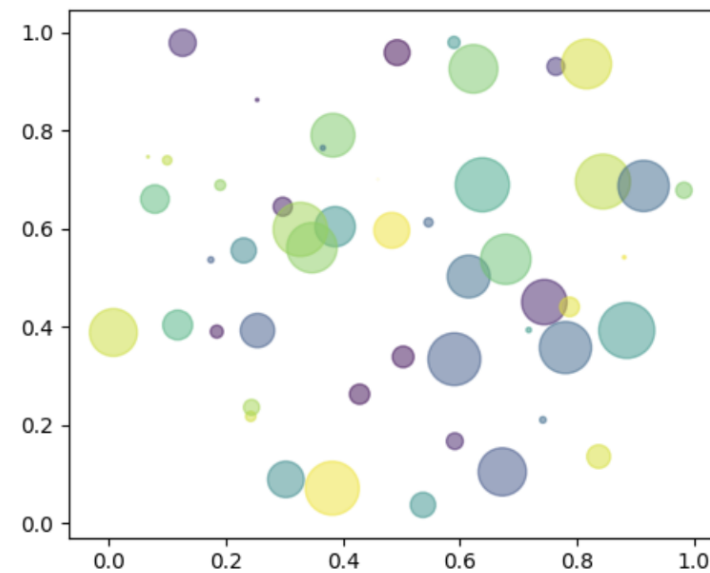
Gallery of examples



Example page with code

shapes_and_collections example code: scatter_demo.py

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

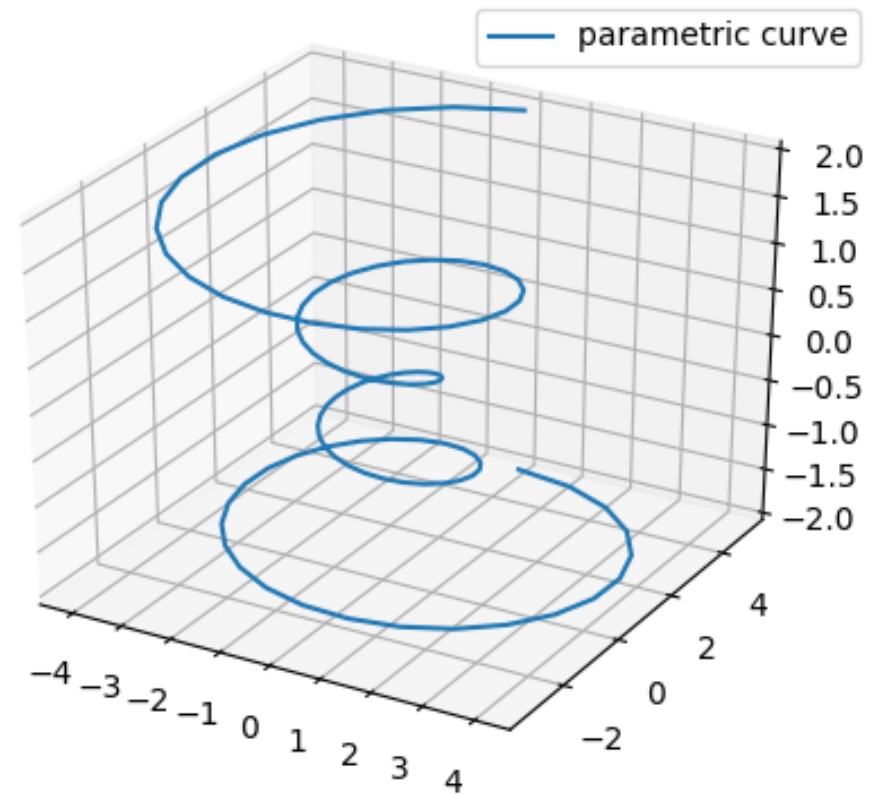


```
"""
Simple demo of a scatter plot.
"""
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

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

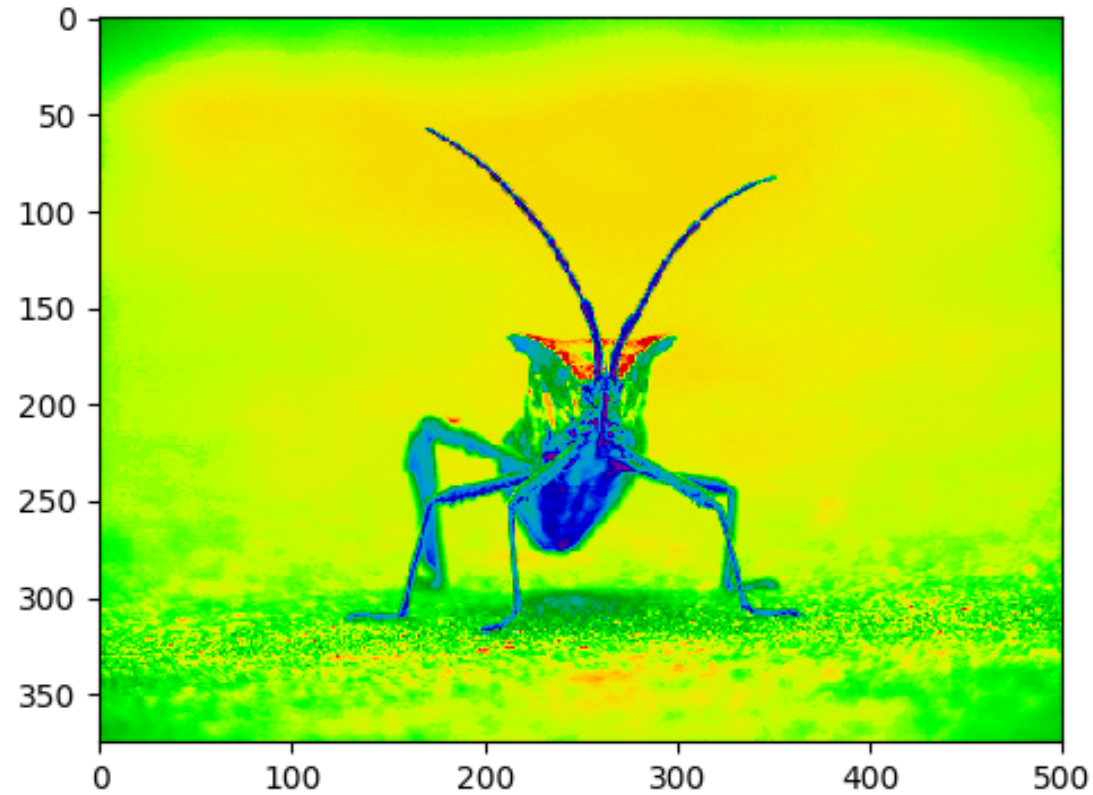
plt.scatter(x, y, s=area, c=colors, alpha=0.5)
plt.show()
```

Plotting data in 3D



https://matplotlib.org/mpl_toolkits/mplot3d/tutorial.html

Visualizing images with pseudo-color



https://matplotlib.org/users/image_tutorial.html

Animations

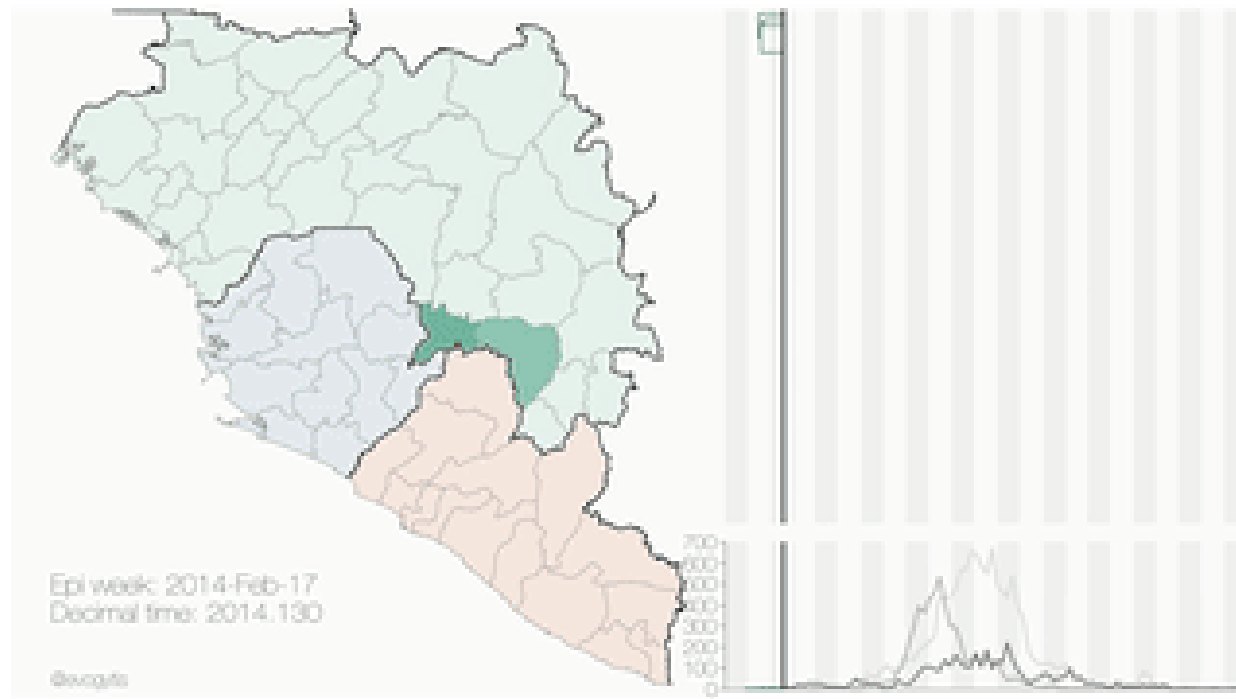
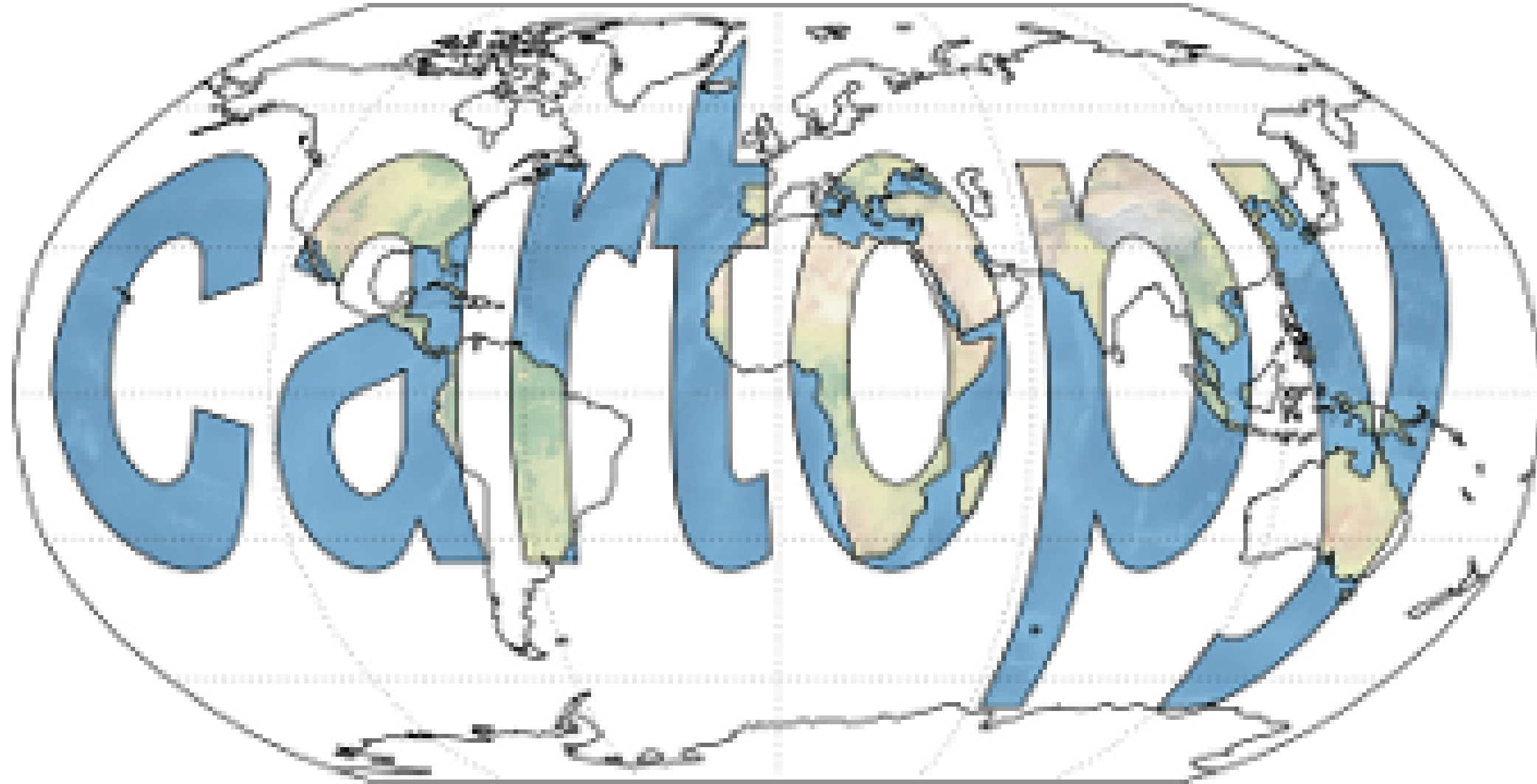


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https://matplotlib.org/api/animation_api.html

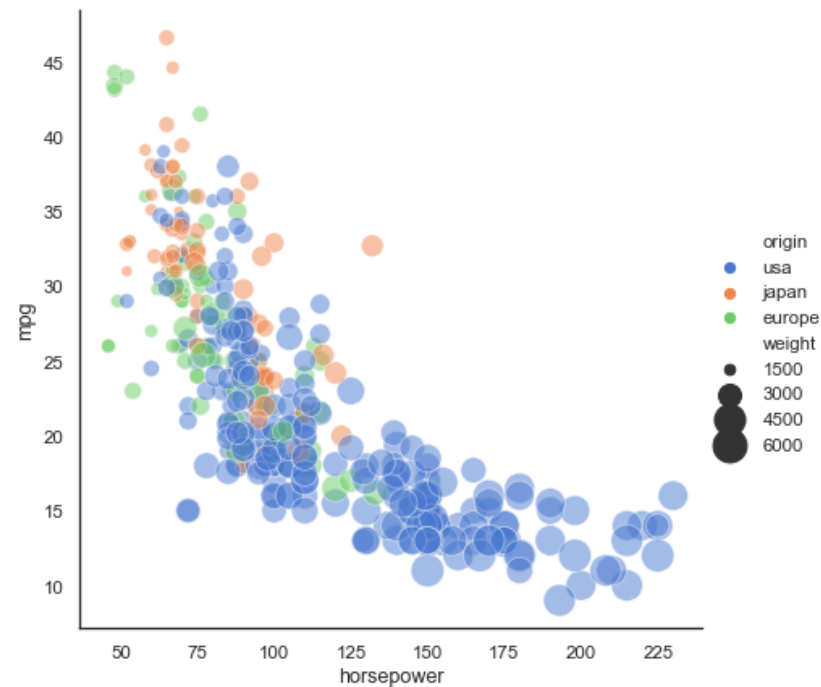
Using Matplotlib for geospatial data



<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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