

# CDS 230

## Modeling and Simulation I

### Module 7

### Matplotlib

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# matplotlib

- Capabilities and terminology (axis, figure, plot etc.) are inspired by Matlab's plotting functionality

## Two similar ways to use Matplotlib

### 1) object-oriented way

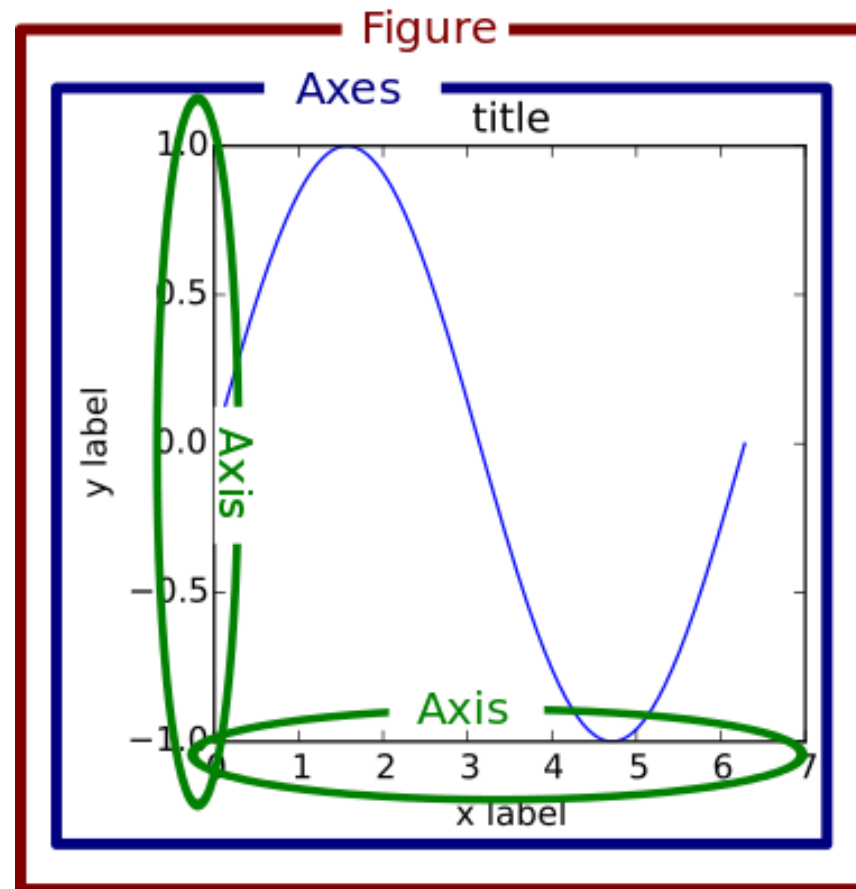
- The user can extend Figure class
- Each state of a figure/axis etc. should be tracked by the user.
- Allows making more customized plots
- Good for production code

### 2) `pyplot`

- Matlab style plotting
- Keeps the state of current plot without the user saving it
- Ideal for Anaconda Notebooks

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

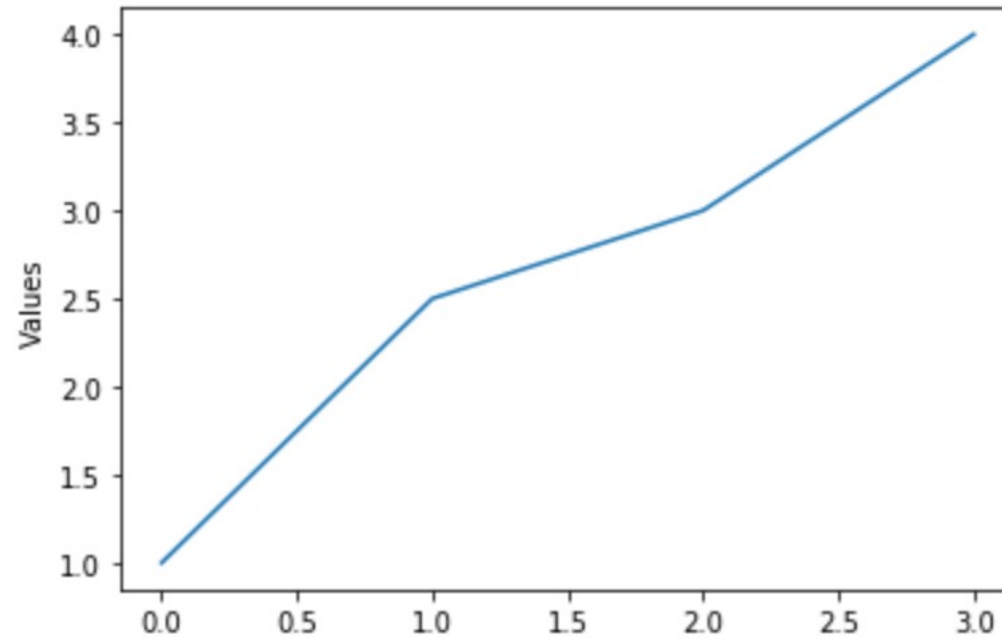
# Basic Matplotlib terms



Source: <https://realpython.com/python-matplotlib-guide/>

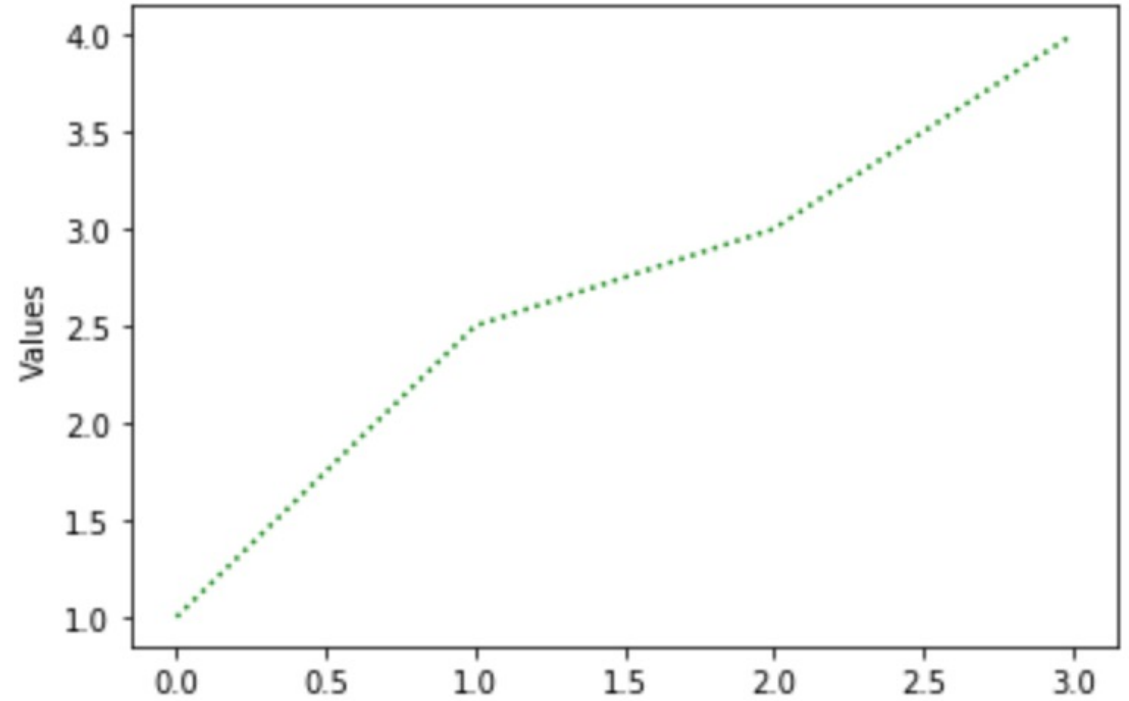
# Our first plot

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.plot([1, 2.5, 3, 4])
plt.ylabel('Values')
plt.show()
```



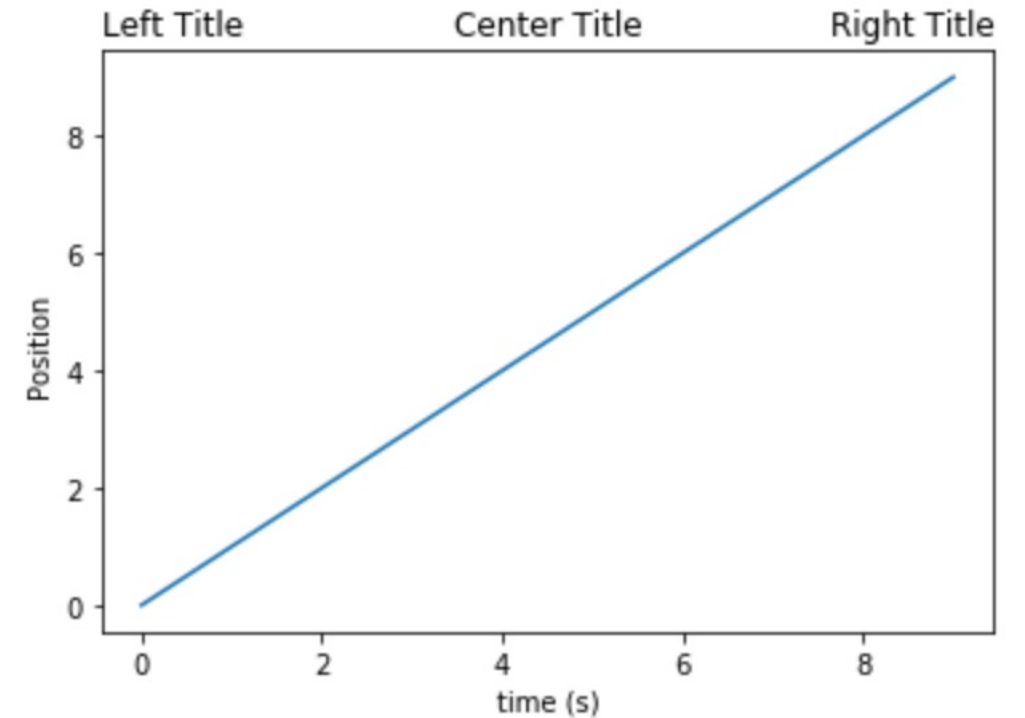
# Customization

```
plt.plot([1,2.5,3,4],linestyle='dotted',color='green')  
plt.ylabel('Values')  
plt.show()
```



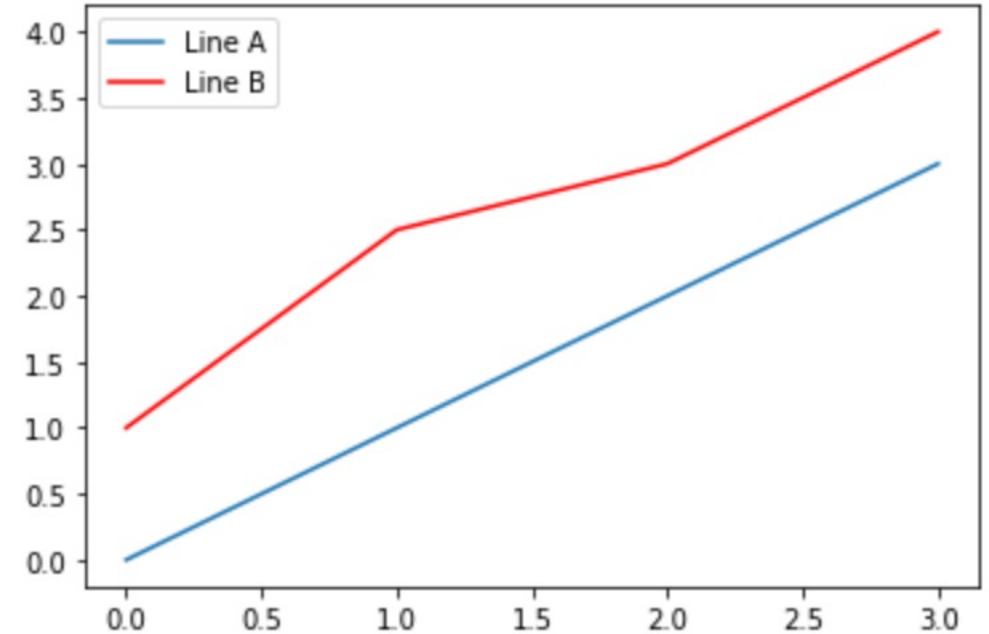
# More customization

```
plt.plot(range(10))
plt.title('Center Title')
plt.title('Left Title', loc='left')
plt.title('Right Title', loc='right')
plt.xlabel('time (s)')
plt.ylabel('Position')
plt.show()
```



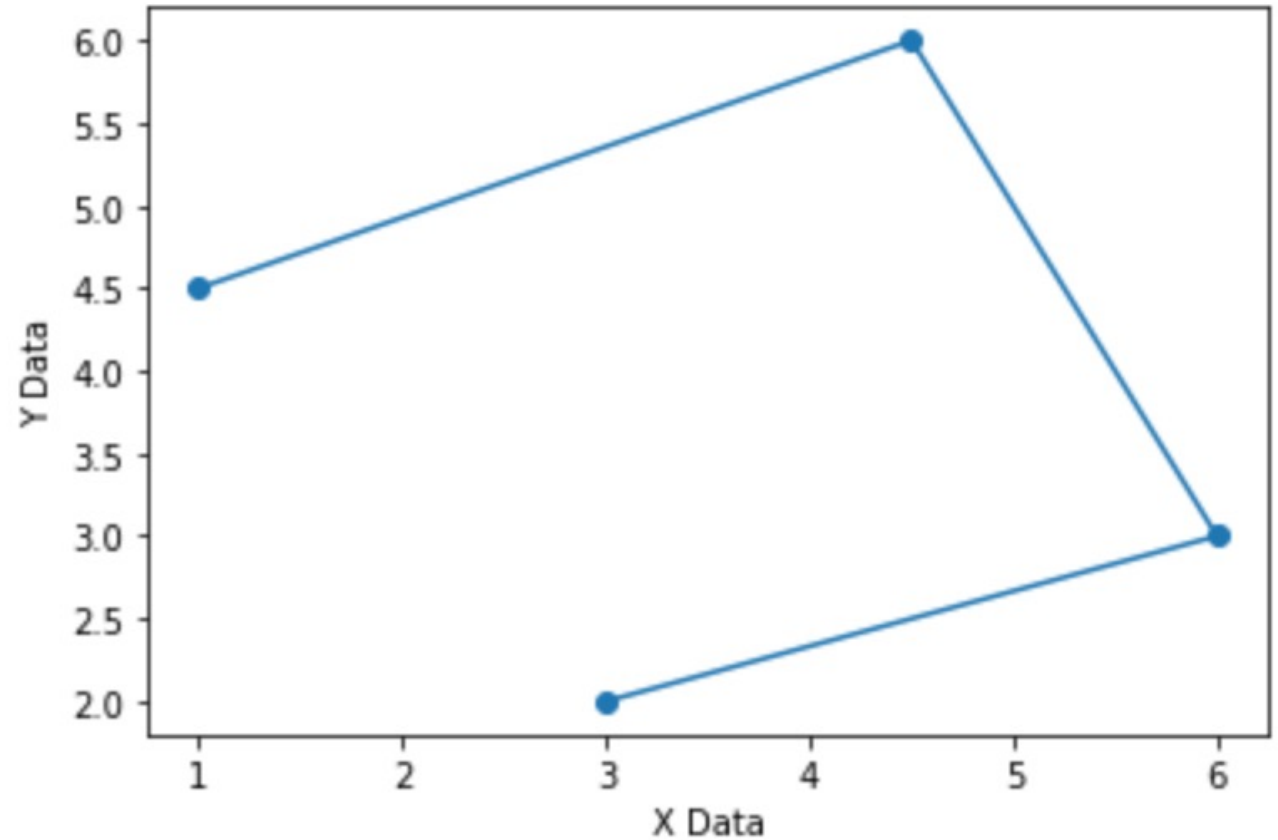
# Plotting multiple lines

```
plt.plot(range(4), label="Line A")  
plt.plot([1,2.5,3,4], color="red", label="Line B")  
plt.legend()  
plt.show()
```



# Plotting two dimensional data

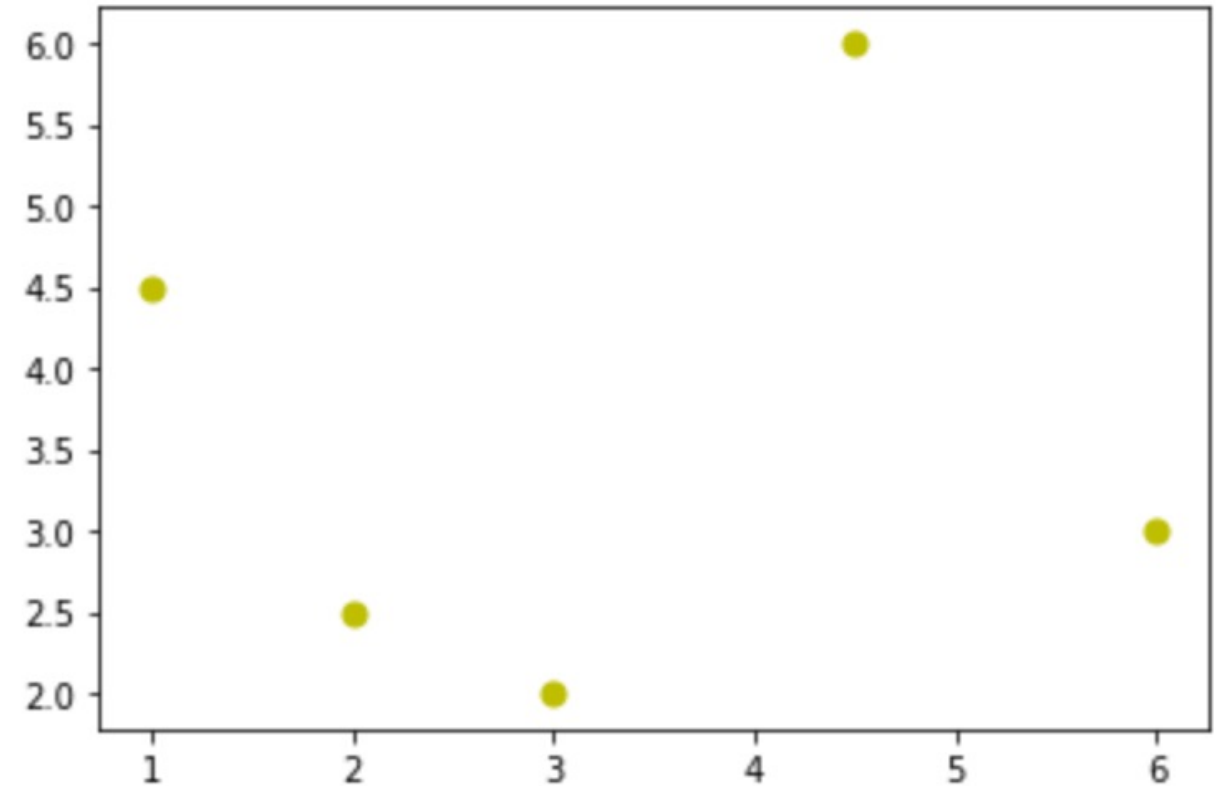
```
x = [1,4.5,6,3]
y = [4.5,6,3,2]
plt.plot(x,y, marker='o')
plt.xlabel('X Data')
plt.ylabel('Y Data')
plt.show()
```



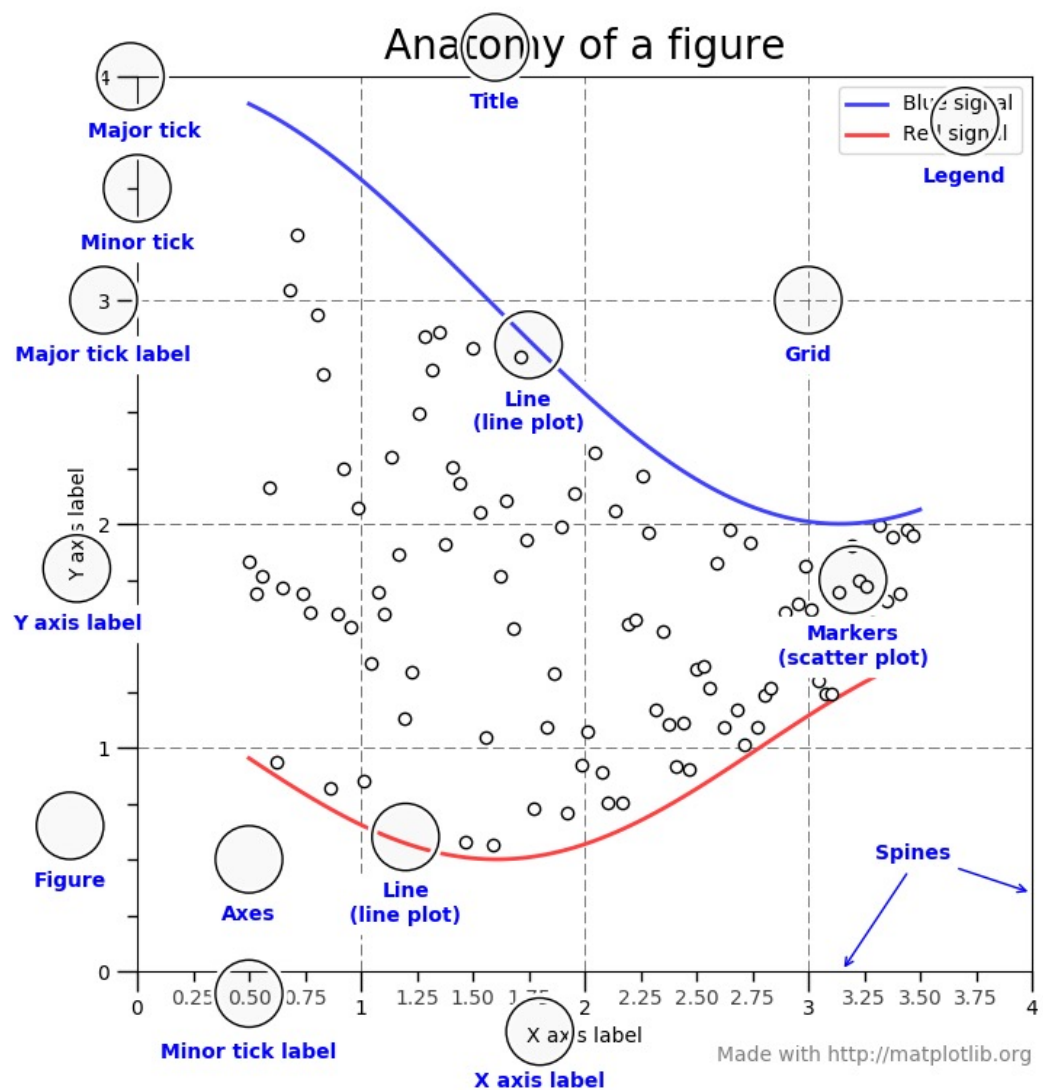


# Scatter plot

```
x = [1, 4.5, 6, 3, 2]  
y = [4.5, 6, 3, 2, 2.5]  
plt.scatter(x, y, 50, "y")  
plt.show()
```



# Anatomy of Matplotlib figures



Source:  
<https://matplotlib.org/examples/showcase/anatomy.html>

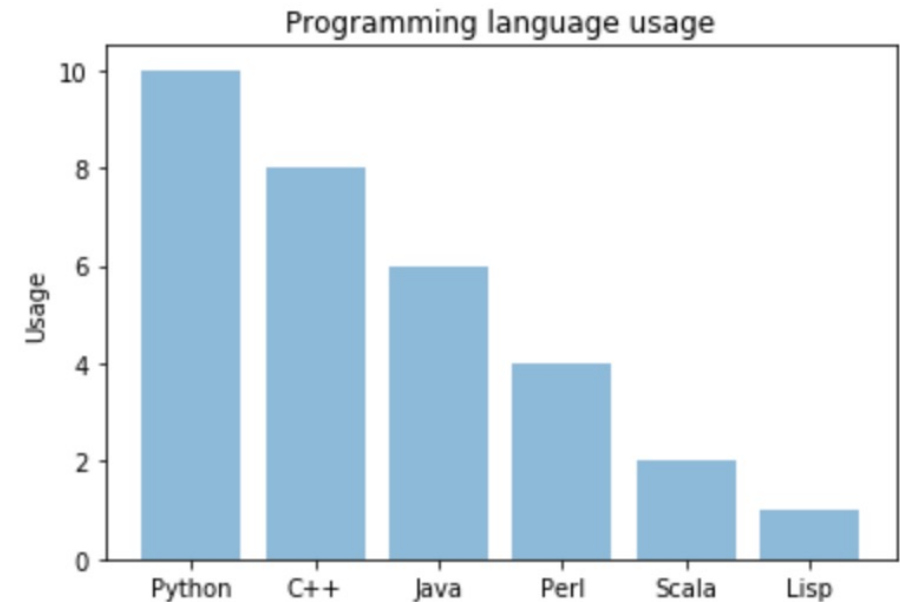
# Matplotlib bar chart

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

objects = ('Python', 'C++', 'Java', 'Perl', 'Scala', 'Lisp')
x_pos = np.arange(len(objects))
performance = [10,8,6,4,2,1]

plt.bar(x_pos, performance, align='center', alpha=0.5)
plt.xticks(x_pos, objects)
plt.ylabel('Usage')
plt.title('Programming language usage')

plt.show()
```

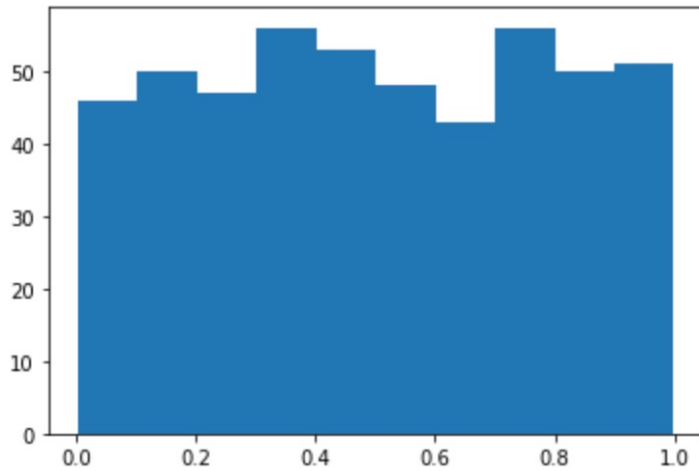


Source: <https://pythonspot.com/matplotlib-bar-chart/>

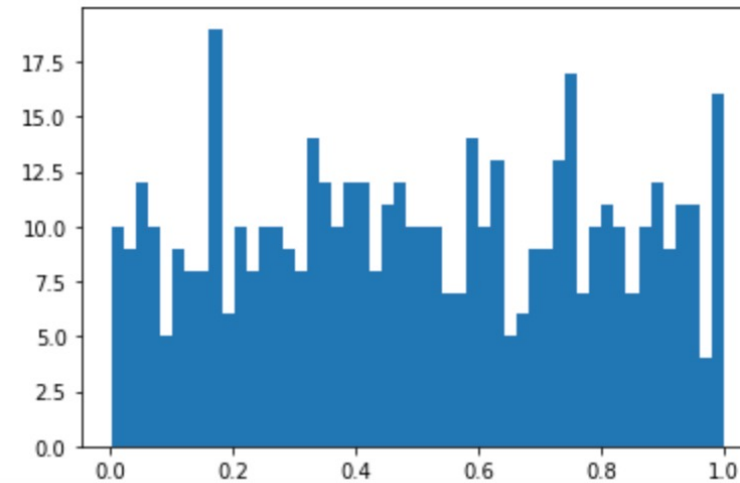
# Histogram

```
vals = np.random.random(500)
```

```
plt.hist(vals)  
plt.show()
```



```
plt.hist(vals, bins=50)  
plt.show()
```



# Other plotting options?

- Visit Matplotlib Gallery  
<https://matplotlib.org/stable/gallery/index.html>
- Other great packages
  - Seaborn
  - ggplot
  - Bokeh
  - Plotly
  - geoplotlib

