

# MATLAB TUTORIAL

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#### What is MATLAB?

- A high-performance language for technical computing (Mathworks, 1998)
- > The name is derived from MATrix Laboratory
- Typical uses of MATLAB
  - Mathematical computations
  - Algorithmic development
  - Model prototyping
  - Data analysis and exploration of data (visualization)
  - Scientific and engineering graphics for presentation

### Why Matlab?

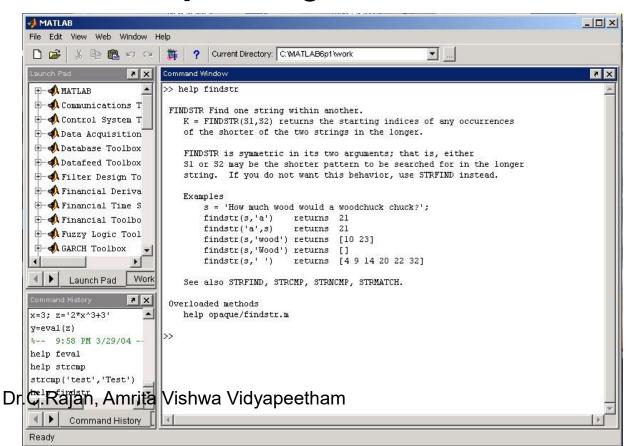
- Because it simplifies the analysis of mathematical models
- It frees you from coding in high-level languages (saves a lot of time - with some computational speed penalties)
- Provides an extensible programming/visualization environment
- Provides professional looking graphs

# Why MATLAB?

- If MATLAB can process and visualize data, why ever use FORTRAN, C, or some other language?
- MATLAB is an interpreted language
  - It is not a compiled language
  - Therefore identical code executes more slowly, sometimes MUCH more slowly in MATLAB
  - MATLAB has more memory overhead than equivalent FORTRAN or C programs
  - MATLAB may be unsafe for some critical systems

# Getting Help and Looking Up Functions

- To get help on a function type "help function\_name", e.g., "help plot".
- To find a topic, type "lookfor topic", e.g., "lookfor matrix"



# Matlab's Workspace

- who, whos current workspace vars.
- save save workspace vars to \*.mat file.
- load load variables from \*.mat file.
- clear all clear workspace vars.
- close all close all figures
- clc clear screen
- clf clear figure

### **Basic Commands**

- % used to denote a comment
- ; suppresses display of value (when placed at end of a statement)
- ... continues the statement on next line
- eps machine epsilon
- inf infinity
- NaN not-a number, e.g., 0/0.

### Other symbols

prompt
continue statement on next line
separate statements and data
start comment which ends at end of line
(1) suppress output
(2) used as a row separator in a matrix
specify range

# Relational Operators

MATLAB supports six relational operators.

```
Less Than

Less Than or Equal

Greater Than

Greater Than or Equal

Equal To

Not Equal To

~=
```

# MATLAB Logical Operators

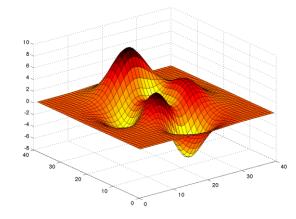
MATLAB supports five logical operators.

not/~ and/& or / | && element wise/scalar logical NOT
element wise logical AND
element wise logical OR
logical (short-circuit) AND
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# Logical Functions

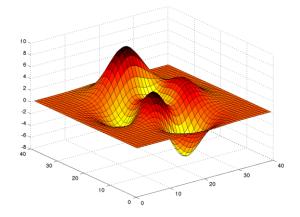
- MATLAB also supports some logical functions.
  - xor (a, b) exclusive or
  - any(x) returns 1 if any element of x is nonzero
  - all(x) returns 1 if all elements of x are nonzero
  - isnan(x) returns 1 at each NaN in x
  - isinf(x) returns 1 at each infinity in x
  - finite(x) returns 1 at each finite value in x
  - find(x) find indices and values of non zero elements

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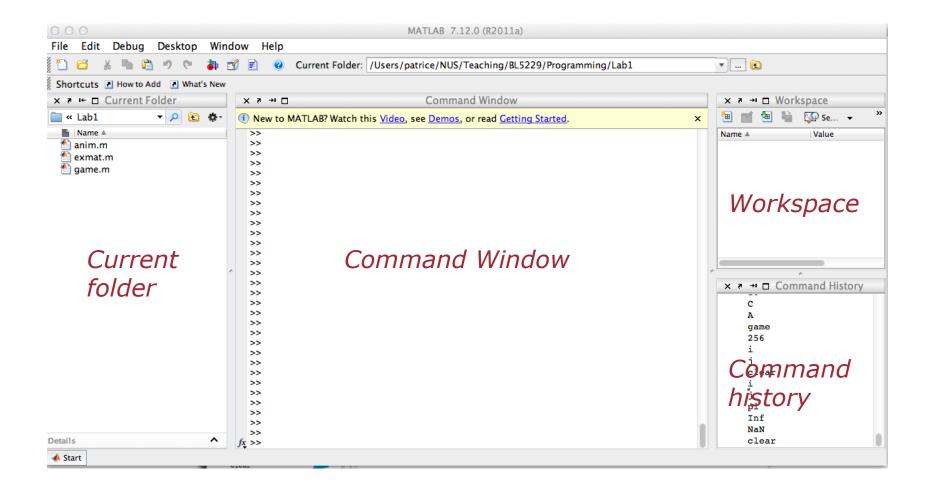
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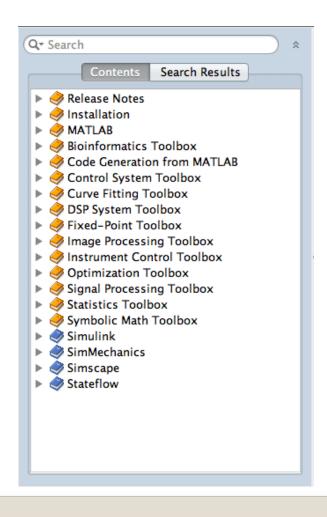


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#### The Matlab Environment



### Help in Matlab



#### **Help Browser**

-> Product Help

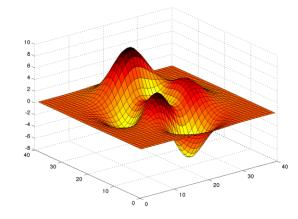
#### **Command line:**

>> help <command>

#### Example:

>> help sqrt

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#### Variables in Matlab

- ➤ Begin with an alphabetic character: a
- ➤ Case sensitive: a, A
- $\triangleright$  No data typing: a=10; a='OK'; a=2.5
- ➤ Default output variable: ans
- Built-in constants: pi i j Inf
- >clear removes variables
- > who lists variables
- whos list variables and gives size
- ➤ Special characters : [] () {}; % : = . ... @

# Special Variables

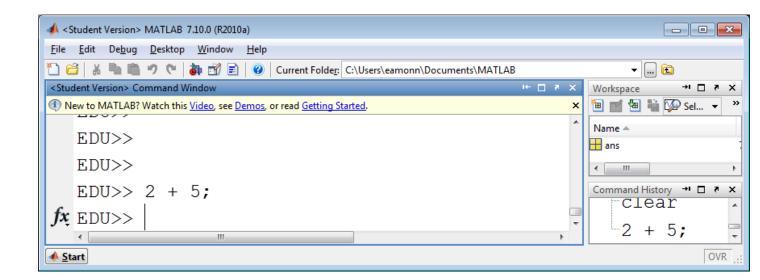
- Special variables:
  - -ans : default variable name for the result
  - -pi:  $\pi = 3.1415926.....$
  - -eps: ∈ = 2.2204e-016, smallest amount by which 2 numbers can differ.
  - —Inf or inf :  $\infty$ , infinity
  - -NaN or nan: not-a-number

# Vectors

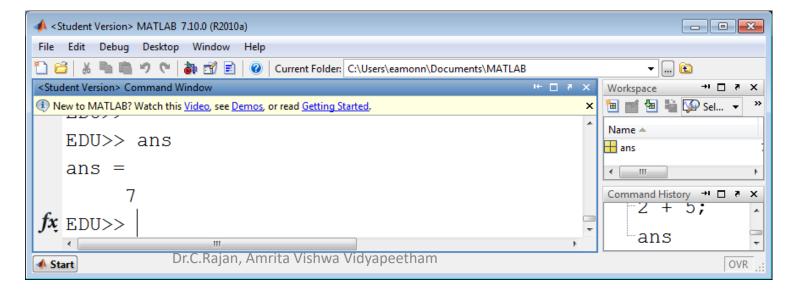
#### Some useful commands:

x = start:end	create row vector x starting with start, counting by one, ending at end	
x = start:increment:end	create row vector x starting with start, counting by increment, ending at or before end	
linspace(start,end,number)	create row vector x starting with start, ending at end, having number elements	
length(x)	returns the length of vector x	
y = x'	transpose of vector x	
dot (x, y)	returns the scalar dot product of the vector x and y.	

#### Using the semicolon to suppress echoing



We can examine the contents of **ans** at any time, simply by typing its name.



# (arithmetic) Operators

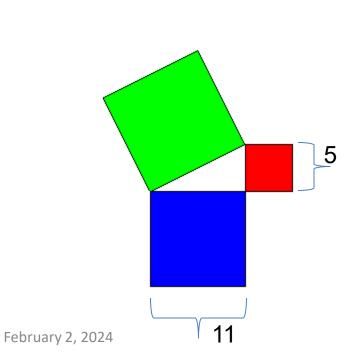
Scalar arithmetic operations

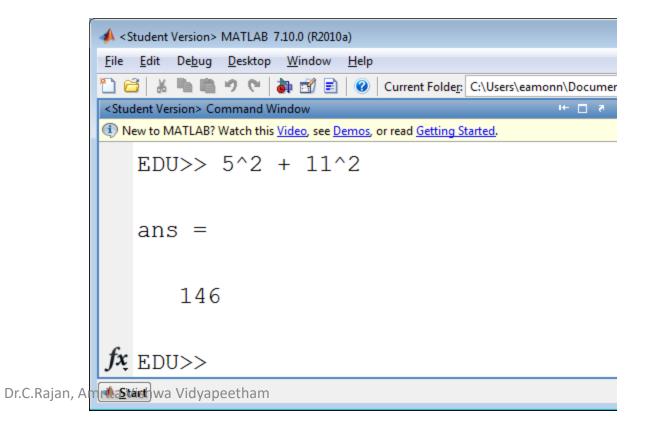
Operation		MATLAB form
– Exponentiation: ^	a <sup>b</sup>	a^b
– Multiplication: *	ab	a*b
– Right Division: /	a / b = a/b	a/b
<pre>– Left Division: \</pre>	a \ b = b/a	a\b
<pre>– Addition: +</pre>	a + b	a+b
<ul><li>Subtraction: -</li></ul>	a – b	a-b

MATLAB will ignore white space between variables and operators

# Examples

- What is the area of the green square?
- We know it is the sum of the area of the two smaller squares (for a right triangle)
- So it is:  $5^2 + 11^2$

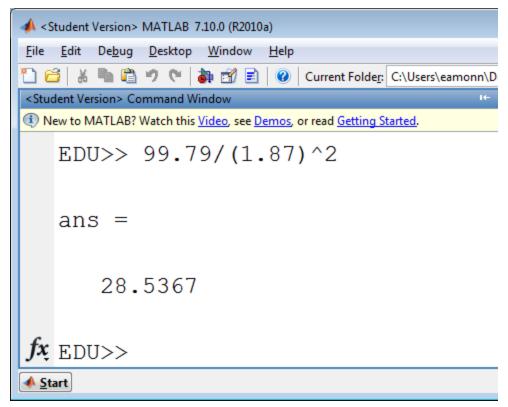




### Examples

 What is Eamonn's BMI? He is 1.87m tall and 99.79 kg in weight

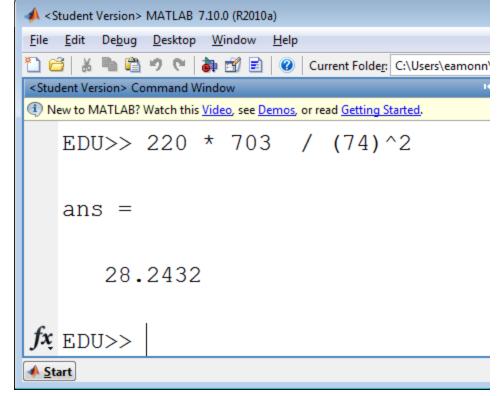
$$BMI = \frac{mass (kg)}{(height(m))^2}$$



# Examples

- What is Eamonn's BMI, using imperial units?
- He is 74 inches tall and 220 lbs in weight

$$BMI = \frac{mass (lb) \times 703}{(height(in))^2}$$



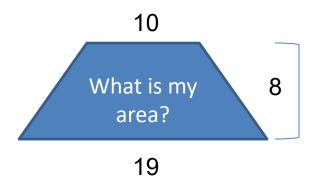
It is a little different to the metric

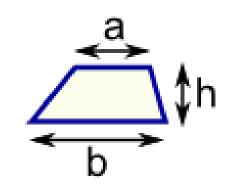
# Precedence: Order of Operations

An expression inside parentheses is
 Parentheses
 Parentheses
 evaluated on its own before being used by operands outside the parentheses

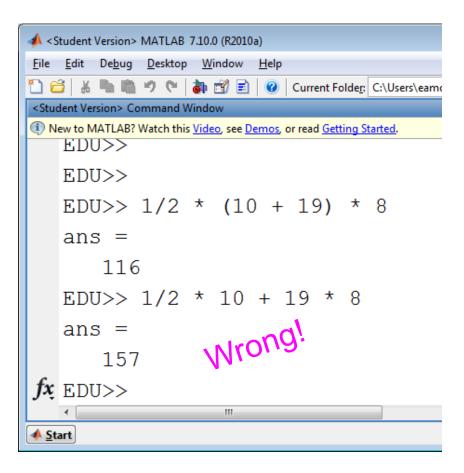
- Exponentiation
- Multiplication and division have equal precedence
- Addition and subtraction have equal precedence
- Evaluation occurs from left to right
- When in doubt, use parentheses
  - MATLAB will help match parentheses for you

# Area of a Trapezoid





$$= \frac{1}{2}(a+b) \times h$$



In the wrong example Matlab did...

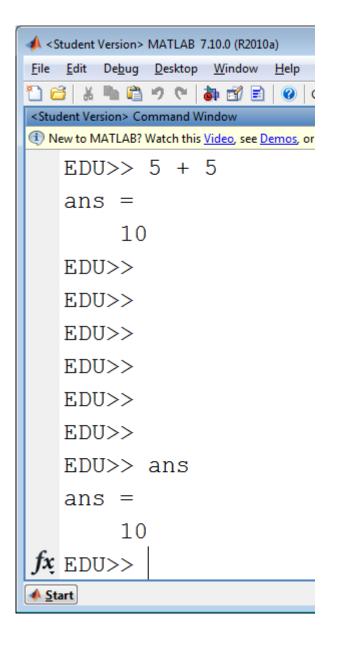
The value of 'ans', stays there forever, until we exit matlab, or we change it.

We can get the value of 'ans' at anytime simply by typing its name (and hitting <enter>)

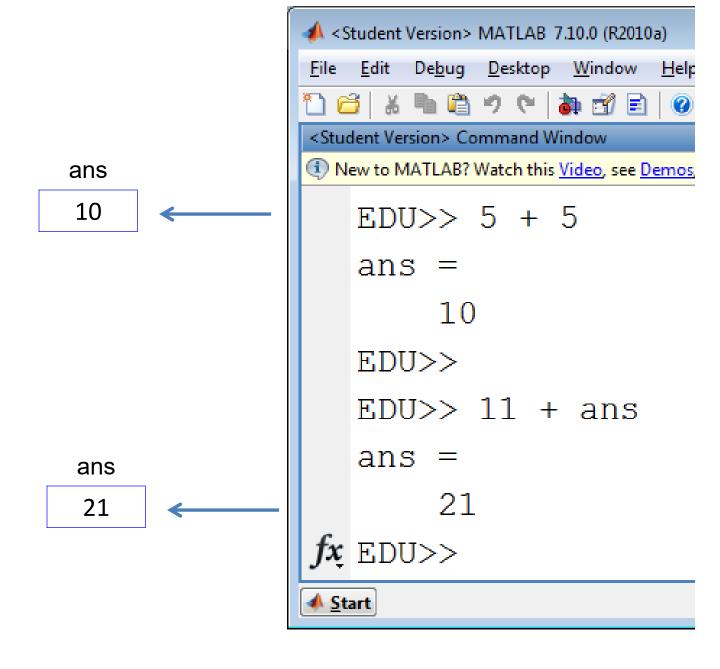
We can read the value in ans as many times as we want, without changing it

This is a *nondestructive read* 

ans
10
Computer memory



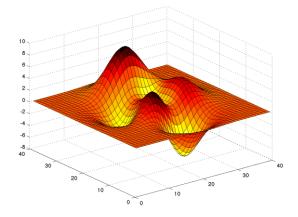
The variable 'ans', can appear in an expression



### Element wise operations

#### Operators .\*, ./, and .^

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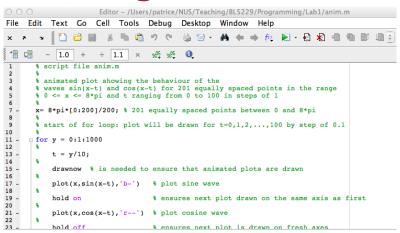
#### M-file programming

#### **≻**Script M-Files

- Automate a series of steps.
- •Share workspace with other scripts and the command line interface.

#### > Function M-Files

- •Extend the MATLAB language.
- Can accept input arguments and return output arguments.
- Store variables in internal workspace.



#### M-file programming

- **▶** Always has one script M-File
- Uses built-in and user-defined functions
- **▶** Created in MATLAB Editor
- >> edit model.m
- > Run from Command Line Window
- >> model

### Example of script

### Example: model.m

```
% Define input
\mathbf{T} = [0 : 0.01 : 30]
% Compute model
Y = exp(-T);
% Plot model
plot (T, Y);
```

### Example of function

Example: amodel.m

```
function Y = amodel(t, A, B, a, w, p)
% H1 line: AMODEL computes step response.
% Help text: appears when you type
% "help amodel" in command line window.
% Comment: function body is below.
Y = A * exp(-b.*t).*cos(w.*t + p) + B;
```

### function DummyVar = CountToTen()

```
for i = 1 : 10
disp(i)
end
```

```
EDU>> CountToTen

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
EDU>>
```

### Input / Output

➤ Get input from command window:

```
>> num = input('What is the altitude :')
>> str = input('Enter name of the planet','s')
```

➤ Display output in command window:

# Example of a Function M-File

function answer = average3(arg1,arg2, arg3)

```
% A simple example about how MATLAB deals with user
% created functions in M-files.
% average3 is a user-defined function. It could be named anything.
% average3 takes the average of the three input parameters: arg1,
% arg2, arg3
% The output is stored in the variable answer and returned to the
% user.
% This M file must be saved as average3.m
answer = (arg1+arg2+arg3)/3;
```

## How to call a function in matlab

```
X = sin(pi);
% call the interior function of Matlab, sin

Y = input("How are you?")
% call the interior function of Matlab, input
% input is a function that requests information from
% the user during runtime

Y=average3(1, 2, 3);.
% average3 is a user-defined function.
% The average value of 1,2 and 3 will be stored in Y
```

# Example: Calling a Function from within the Main program.

```
% Example1: This is a main program example to
  illustrate how functions are called.
% input is a function that requests information from
% the user during runtime.
VarA = input('What is the first number?');
VarB = input('What is the second number?');
VarC = input('What is the third number?');
VarAverage=average3(VarA, VarB, VarC);
% num2str converts a number to a string.
result=['The average value was', num2str(VarAverage)]
```

### **Functions**

- A MATLAB function is very similar to a script, but:
  - Starts with a function declaration line
  - May have defined input arguments
  - May have defined output arguments

```
function [out1,out2]=function_name(in1)
```

 Executes in its own workspace: it CANNOT see, or modify variables in the calling workspace – values must be passed as input & output variables

# MATLAB function can return multiple values

```
function [x1,x2,x3]=powers1to3(n)
% calculate first three powers of [1:n]
% (a trivial example function)
x1=[1:n];
x2=x1.^2;
x3=x1.^3;
```

If fewer output parameters used than are declared, only those used are returned.

### **Operators**

- Arithmetic: x+y; A\*B; X.\*Y; etc.
- Logical
  - o Element-wise AND: a & b
  - o Element-wise OR: a | b
- Relational

```
a == 5; a >= b; b \sim= 6;
```

Operator precedence

```
() {} [] -> Arithmetic -> Relational -> Logical
```

### DIFFERENTIATION

Polynomial derivatives are easy to find

$$p(x) = x^2 - 3^*x + 5,$$
  
polyder(p)

 $p(x) = x^2 - 3*x + 5$ is represented by the vector p = [1, -3, 5]polyder(p) % returns coeff of derivative as 2 -3 polyval(polyder(p),1) % eval derivative at x=1Diff is used for differentiation of arbitrary function

### Program flow control: For

Simple program that sums the squares of all the elements of a matrix A:

```
M = 20;
A = rand(10,20)
Sum = 0;
for i = 1:N
   for j = 1:M
       Sum = Sum + A(i,j)^2;
   end
end
Note that this can be done in one line:
Sum2 = sum(sum(A.*A));
```

N = 10;

# For loops

• x = 0;

**for i=1:2:5** % start at 1, increment by 2

x = x+i; % end with 5.

end

This computes x = 0+1+3+5=9.

# While loops

```
    x=7;
    while (x > = 0)
    x = x-2;
    end;
```

This computes x = 7-2-2-2 = -1.

## If statements

```
• if (x == 3)
   disp('The value of x is 3.');
 elseif (x == 5)
   disp('The value of x is 5.');
 else
   disp('The value of x is not 3 or 5.');
 end;
```

### Program flow control: if

Simple program that compares two numbers a and b: set j to 1 if a>b, -1 if a<b, and 0 if a=b:

```
if a > b

j = 1;

else if a < b

j = -1;

else

j = 0;

end
```

### **Break statements**

 break – terminates execution of for and while loops. For nested loops, it exits the innermost loop only.

## Switch statement

```
    switch face
        case {1}
        disp('Rolled a 1');
        case {2}
        disp('Rolled a 2');
        otherwise
        disp('Rolled a number >= 3');
        end
```

 NOTE: Unlike C, ONLY the SWITCH statement between the matching case and the next case, otherwise, or end are executed. (So breaks are unnecessary.)

### switch, case

#### Generic form:

```
switch statement
case value1
   statements;
case value2
   statements;
case value2
   statements;
otherwise
   statements;
end
```

#### example

```
switch A*B
case 0
  disp('A or B is zero')
case 1
  disp('A*B equals 1')
case C*D
  disp('A*B equals C*D')
otherwise
  disp('no cases match')
end
```

A case is matched when the switch statement equals the case value (may be the result of a statement). Only first matching case is executed, then switch statement exits, remaining cases are not tested.

### continue, break, return

- continue forces current iteration of loop to stop and execution to resume at the start of next iteration.
- break forces loop to exit, and execution to resume at first line after loop.
- return forces current function to terminate, and control to be passed back to the calling function or keyboard.

# Cell arrays

- Cell arrays are arrays of arbitrary data objects, as a whole they
  are dimensioned similar to regular arrays/matrices, but each
  element can hold any valid matlab data object: a single number, a
  matrix or array, a string, another cell array...
- They are indexed in the same manner as ordinary arrays, but with curly brackets

```
>> X{1}=[1 2 3 4];
>> X{2}='some random text'
X =
      [1x4 double] 'some random text'
```

### Other useful commands

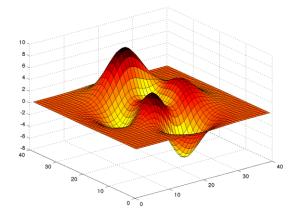
#### **≻**Workspace

- >> clear
- >> who
- >> whos
- >> close

### **≻**File operations

- >> |s
- >> dir
- >> cd
- >> pwd
- >> mkdir

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# **Plotting**

- MATLAB will plot one vector vs. another. The first one will be treated as the abscissa (or x) vector and the second as the ordinate (or y) vector. The vectors have to be the same length.
- MATLAB will also plot a vector vs. its own index. The index will be treated as the abscissa vector. Given a vector "time" and a vector "dist" we could say:

```
>> plot (time, dist) % plotting versus time
```

- >> plot (time + i\*dist) % plotting versus time
- >> plot (dist) % plotting versus index
- Sometime we want to see it with different color\line stile
- >> plot (time, dist, line\_characteristics)
- And sometimes we want to plot few functions in graphs
- >> plot(...), hold, plot(...)
- >> plot(t,d1,l\_c1, t,d2, l\_c2)
- To split page to several axes check use
- >> subplot (rows, cols, place)

# Graphics

```
• x = linspace(-1,1,10);
• y = \sin(x);

    plot(x,y);

                         % plots y vs. x.
plot(x,y,'k-');
                         % plots a black line
                               of y vs. x.

    hold on;

                         % put several plots in the
            same figure window.
                         % open new figure window.

    figure;
```

# Graphics (2)

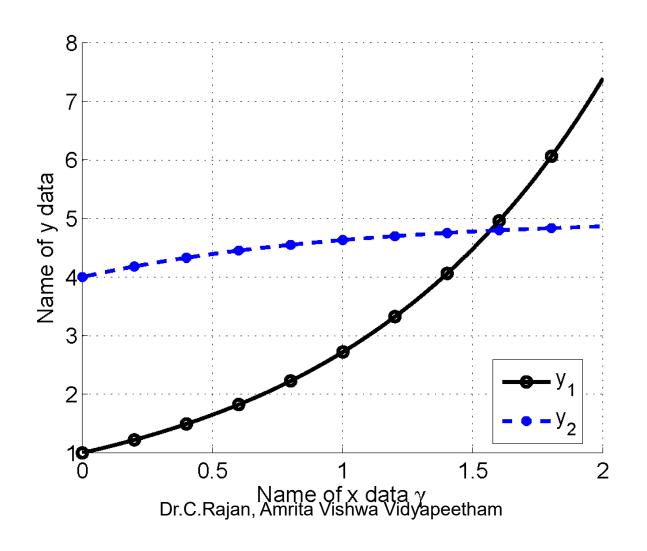
• **subplot(m,n,1)** % Makes an mxn array for plots. Will place plot in 1<sup>st</sup> position.

X										
Here m = 2 and n = 3.										

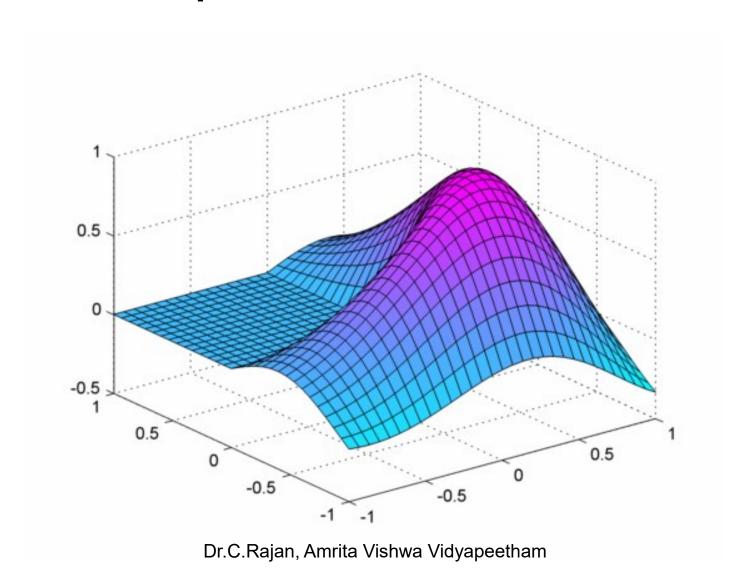
# Graphics (3)

- plot3(x,y,z) % plot 2D function.
- mesh(x\_ax,y\_ax,z\_mat) surface plot.
- contour(z\_mat) contour plot of z.
- axis([xmin xmax ymin ymax]) change axes
- title('My title'); add title to figure;
- xlabel, ylabel label axes.
- legend add key to figure.

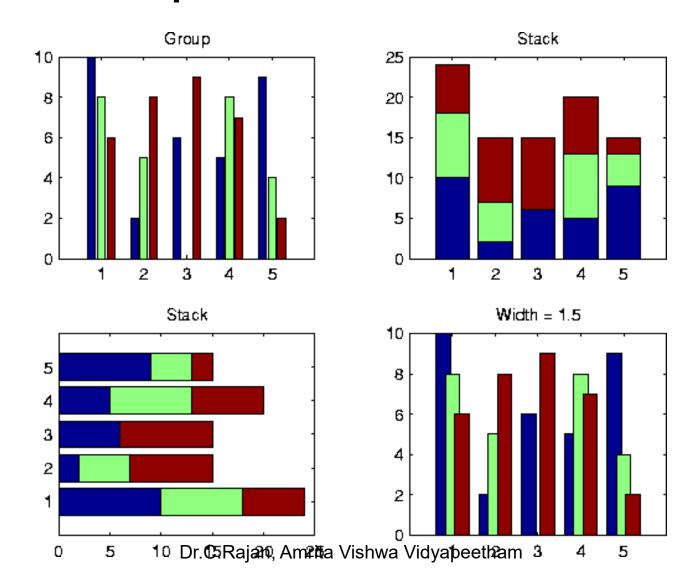
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### Linear plots

```
>> plot (X, Y)
```

Plotting commands open the Figure editor.

### Multiple datasets on a plot

```
>> plot(xcurve, ycurve)
>> hold on
>> plot(Xpoints, Ypoints)
>> hold off
```

### Subplots on a figure

```
>> subplot(1, 2, 1)
>> plot(time, velocity)
>> subplot(1, 2, 2)
>> plot(time, acceleration)
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```

2D linear plots: plot

```
>> plot (X, Y, 'r-')

Colors: b, r, g, y, m, c, k, w

Markers: o, *, ., +, x, d

Line styles: -, --, -., :
```

Annotating graphs

```
>> plot (X, Y, 'ro')
>> legend ('Points')
>> title ('Coordinates')
>> xlabel ('X')
>> ylabel ('Y')
```

■ Plot Edit mode: icon in Figure Editor

### Vectors in Matlab

#### ➤ Row vectors

$$>> R1 = [16385]$$

$$>> R2 = [1:5]$$

$$>> R3 = [-pi : pi/3 : pi]$$

#### Column vectors

# **Arrays and Matrices**

```
• v = [-2 3 0 4.5 -1.5]; % length 5 row vector.
```

```
• v = v'; % transposes v.
```

• 
$$a=1:3$$
;  $b=2:3$ ;  $c=[a b]$ ;  $\rightarrow c = [1 2 3 2 3]$ ;

#### Matrices in Matlab

#### **▶** Creating a matrix

```
>> A = [1 2.5 5 0; 1 1.3 pi 4]
>> A = [R1; R2]
>> A = zeros(10,5)
>> A = ones(10,5)
>> A = eye(10)
```

#### > Accessing elements

```
>> A(1,1)
>> A(1:2, 2:4)
>> A(:,2)
```

### Matrix Operations

#### **≻**Operators + and -

$$>> X = [1 2 3]$$

$$>> A = X + Y$$

#### **▶**Operators \*, /, and ^

>> Ainv = A^-1 Matrix math is default!

# Arrays and Matrices (2)

- x = linspace(-pi,pi,10); % creates 10 linearly-spaced elements from –pi to pi.
- logspace is similar.
- A = [1 2 3; 4 5 6]; % creates 2x3 matrix
- **A(1,2)** % the element in row 1, column 2.
- A(:,2) % the second column.
- **A(2,:)** % the second row.

# Arrays and Matrices (3)

- A+B, A-B, 2\*A, A\*B % matrix addition, matrix subtraction, scalar multiplication, matrix multiplication
- A.\*B % element-by-element mult.
- A' % transpose of A (complex-conjugate transpose)
- det(A) % determinant of A

# Creating special matrices

- diag(v) % change a vector v to a diagonal matrix.
- diag(A) % get diagonal of A.
- eye(n) % identity matrix of size n.
- zeros(m,n) % m-by-n zero matrix.
- ones(m,n) % m\*n matrix with all ones.

#### **Matrices**

Data in Matlab is always held as a **matrix**. Most are 2-D, in which individual elements are referenced by *row* and *column*. This is a  $6 \times 10$  matrix:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	12	15	12	18	19	20	19	17	16	15
2	13	14	61	19	11	9	10	12	14	19
3	13	15	18	17	19	20	23	11	10	12
4	14	15	14	14	17	20	21	10	9	12
5	12	13	13	19	30	35	36	15	19	15
6	15	16	17	18	45	40	38	16	15	12

If this matrix is given the name m, then m(5,4) = 19, for example.

Remember: row then column.

In Matlab, rows and columns are always numbered starting at 1.

### Matrices

#### Some commands

Transpose	B = A'
Identity Matrix	eye(n) → returns an n x n identity matrix eye(m,n) → returns an m x n matrix with ones on the main diagonal and zeros elsewhere.
Addition and subtraction	C = A + B C = A - B
Scalar Multiplication	B = $\alpha$ A, where $\alpha$ is a scalar.
Matrix Multiplication	C = A*B
Matrix Inverse	B = inv(A), A must be a square matrix in this case. rank (A) → returns the rank of the matrix A.
Matrix Powers	B = A.^2 → squares each element in the matrix C = A * A → computes A*A, and A must be a square matrix.
Determinant	det (A), and A must be a square matrix.

A, B, C are matrices, and m, n,  $\alpha$  are scalars.

#### **Matrices**

Some operators must be handled with care:

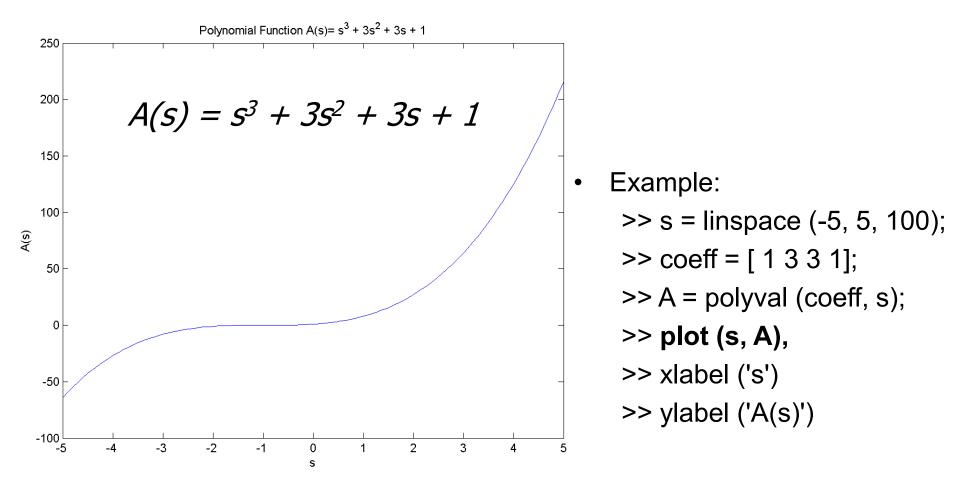
$$A = [1 \ 2 \ ; 4 \ 5]$$

$$B = A * A$$
 prints

$$B = A .* A$$
 prints

Element by element multiplication

## Visualization: Plotting

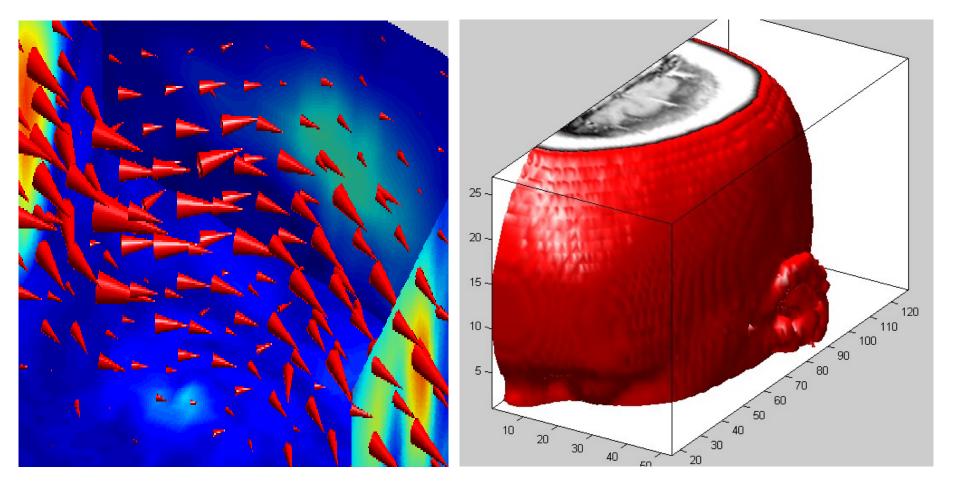


## Plotting (con't)

#### Plot a Helix

```
t = linspace (-5, 5, 101);
x = cos(t);
y = sin(t);
z = t
plot3(x,y,z);
box on;
```

### **Advanced Visualization**



## File Input/Output

- fid = fopen('in.dat','rt'); % open text file for reading.
- v = fscanf(fid,'%lg',10);
   % read 10
   doubles
- fclose(fid); % close the file.
- help textread; % formatted read.
- help fprintf; % formatted write.

## **Example Data File**

Sally Type1 12.34 45 Yes

Joe Type2 23.54 60 No

Bill Type1 34.90 12 No

#### Read Entire Dataset

**fid = fopen('mydata.dat', 'r');** % open file for reading.

% Read-in data from mydata.dat.

[names,types,x,y,answer] =
 textread(fid,'%s%s%f%d%s');

fclose(fid); % close file.

#### Read Partial Dataset

fid = fopen('mydata.dat', 'r'); % open file
for reading.

% Read-in first column of data from mydata.dat.

[names] = textread(fid,'%s %\*s %\*f %\*d %\*s');

fclose(fid); % close file.

#### Read 1 Line of Data

## Writing formatted data.

```
% open file for writing.

fid = fopen('out.txt','w');
```

% Write out Joe's info to file.

```
fprintf(fid,'%s %s %f %d...
%s\n',name,type,x,y,answer);
```

fclose(fid); % close the file.

## Keeping a record

To keep a record of your session, use the diary command:

diary filename

x = 3

diary off

This will keep a diary called filename showing the value of x (your work for this session).

# Timing

 Use tic, toc to determine the running time of an algorithm as follows:

tic

commands...

toc

This will give the elapsed time.