

# Introducción a Psychtoolbox

Int. a la Neurociencia Cognitiva y Computacional

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# Registrando

Nos interesa saber qué algoritmo corre el cerebro para resolver una tarea.

¿Qué podemos medir?

Fisiología:

- ▶ Técnicas invasivas (*pinchar* moscas, ratas, monos, etc...)
- ▶ No invasivas (EEG, NIRS, fMRI, etc...)

Psicofísica:

- ▶ Tipo de respuesta
- ▶ Tiempo de respuesta

Vamos a inferir la algoritmia del cómputo humano a partir de experimentos psicofísicos.

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Software para psicofísica que usaremos: Psychophysics Toolbox, versión 3. <http://psychtoolbox.org/>

*Psychophysics Toolbox Version 3 (PTB-3) is a free set of Matlab and GNU/Octave functions for vision research. It makes it easy to synthesize and show accurately controlled visual and auditory stimuli and interact with the observer.*

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## Instalación:

### 1. Instalar Subversion (SVN)

- ▶ Windows: <http://tortoisesvn.tigris.org/>
- ▶ Mac:  
<http://downloads.open.collab.net/binaries.html>
- ▶ Linux: Debian/Ubuntu: `apt-get install subversion`

### 2. Bajar el instalador

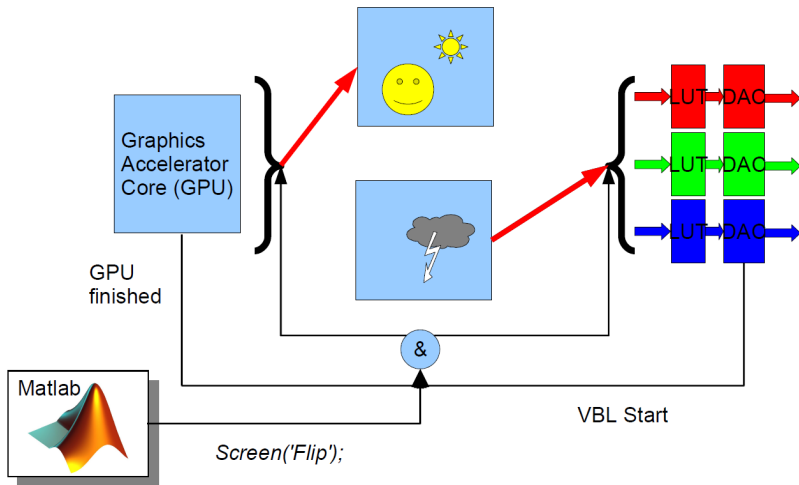
`http://svn.berlios.de/viewvc/\*checkout\*/osxptb/trunk/Psychtoolbox/DownloadPsychtoolbox.m`

### 3. En Matlab, ejecutar:

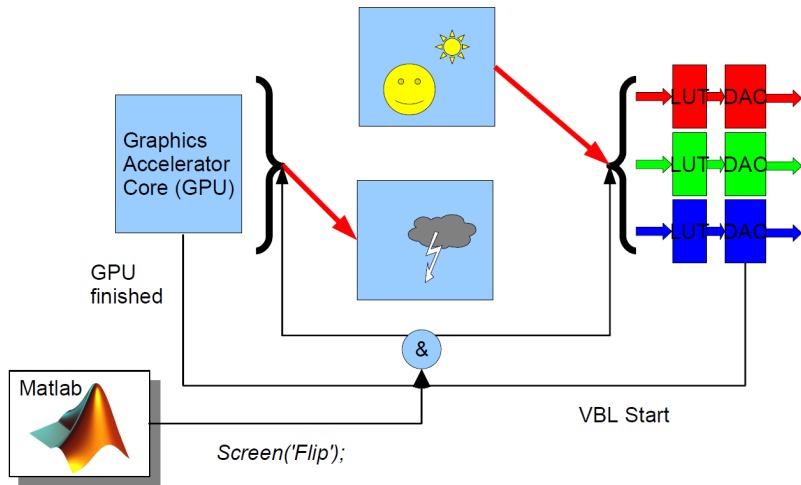
`DownloadPsychtoolbox('<directorio donde quieren instalar>')`

### 4. Testearlo: `>>ScreenTest`

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“Todo” se hace con `Screen(...)`. Primer “experimento”: pantalla negra, pantalla blanca.

```
1 screenNum=0;
  res=[1280 1024];
3 clrdepth=32;
  [wPtr, rect]=Screen('OpenWindow',screenNum,0,[0 0 res(1) res(2)], clrdepth);
5 black=BlackIndex(wPtr);
  white=WhiteIndex(wPtr);
7 Screen('FillRect',wPtr,black);
  Screen(wPtr, 'Flip');
9
  HideCursor;
11 tic
  while toc<3
13     ;
  end
15 Screen('FillRect',wPtr,white);
  Screen(wPtr, 'Flip');
17 HideCursor;
  tic
19 while toc<3
  ;
21 end
  Screen('CloseAll');
23 ShowCursor;
```

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- ▶ `[windowPtr, rect] = Screen('OpenWindow', windowPtrOrScreenNumber  
[,color] [,rect] [,pixelSize] [,numberOfBuffers] [,stereomode]  
[,multisample] [,imagingmode] [,specialFlags]);`
- ▶ `[VBLTimestamp StimulusOnsetTime FlipTimestamp Missed Beampos] =  
Screen('Flip', windowPtr [,when] [,dontclear] [,dontsync]  
[,multiflip]);`
- ▶ `[ monitorFlipInterval nrValidSamples stddev ] =  
Screen('GetFlipInterval', windowPtr [,nrSamples] [,stddev]  
[,timeout]);`



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## Segundo “experimento”: pantalla negra, pantalla blanca.

```
1 screenNum=0;
  res=[1280 1024];
3 clrdepth=32;
  [win,rect]=Screen('OpenWindow',screenNum,0,[0 0 res(1) res(2)], clrdepth);
5 black=BlackIndex(win);
  white=WhiteIndex(win);
7 Screen('FillRect',win,black);

9 refresh = Screen('GetFlipInterval', win)
  %Synchronize to retrace at start of trial/animation loop:
11 vbl = Screen('Flip', win);
  %Loop: Cycle through 300 images:
13 tic
  for i=1:300
15     %Draw i'th image to backbuffer:
      Screen('DrawTexture', win, myImage(i));
17     %Show images exactly 2 refresh cycles apart of each other:
      if mod(i,2)==0
19         Screen('FillRect',win,black);
      else
21         Screen('FillRect',win,white);
      end
23     vbl = Screen('Flip', win, vbl + (2-0.1) * refresh);
      %Keyboard checks, whatever... Next loop iteration.
25 end;
  %End of animation loop, blank screen, record offset time:
27 toffset = Screen('Flip', win, vbl + (2 - 0.5) * refresh);
  toc
29 Screen('CloseAll');
  ShowCursor;
```

## Dibujando con PsychToolBox:

- ▶ (Filled) Circles and ellipses:
  - ▶ `Screen('FrameOval', window, color, boundingrect [, penWidth]);`
  - ▶ `Screen('FillOval', window, color, boundingrect);`
- ▶ (Filled) Rectangles:
  - ▶ `Screen('FrameRect', window, color, boundingrect [, penWidth]);`
  - ▶ `Screen('FillRect', window, color, boundingrect);`
- ▶ Lines of different thickness and stipple patterns:
  - ▶ `Screen('DrawLine', window, color, fromH, fromV, toH, toV[,penWidth]);`
- ▶ (Filled) Arcs:
  - ▶ `Screen('DrawArc', window, color, boundingrect, startAngle, arcAngle);`
  - ▶ `Screen('FrameArc', window, color, boundingrect, startAngle, arcAngle);`
  - ▶ `Screen('FillArc', window, color, boundingrect, startAngle, arcAngle);`
- ▶ (Filled) convex and concave Polygons:
  - ▶ `Screen('FillPoly', window, color, xy);`

## Procesando Batch:

### ► En lugar de:

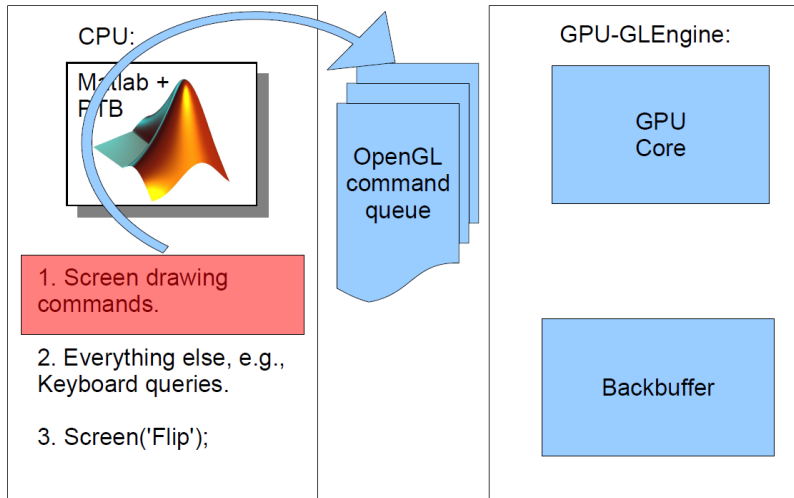
```
Screen('FillRect', win, [red1 green1 blue1], [left1 top1 right1 bot1]);  
Screen('FillRect', win, [red2 green2 blue2], [left2 top2 right2 bot2]);  
...  
Screen('FillRect', win, [redn greenn bluen], [leftn topn rightn botn]);
```

### ► Usar:

```
mycolors = [red1 green1 blue1; red2 green2 blue2; ... ; redn greenn bluen];  
myrects = [left1 top1 right1 bot1; left2 top2 right2 bot2; ... ; leftn topn rightn botn];  
Screen('FillRect', win, mycolors, myrects);
```

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```
image2D=255*rand(100, 100);  
textureIndex=Screen('MakeTexture', wPtr, image2D);  
Screen('DrawTexture', wPtr, textureIndex);
```

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## System control and timing:

- ▶ `T = GetSecs`
  - ▶ Query time with microsecond resolution.
  - ▶ Uses highest resolution system clock for measurement of time.
- ▶ `WaitSecs(duration)`
  - ▶ Wait for a specified amount of time 'duration'.
  - ▶ On MacOS/X: Accurate to 0.3 milliseconds on average.
  - ▶ On MS-Windows: Accurate to 2 milliseconds on average on a modern machine.
- ▶ `Priority()` - Switch Matlab process to realtime-scheduling mode.

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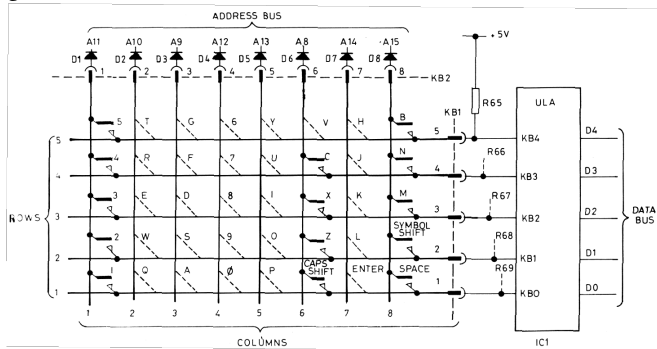
Obteniendo respuestas de teclado y mouse:

- ▶ `[x,y,buttons]=GetMouse(window);` Query current mouse position and mouse button state.
- ▶ `[down, secs, keycode]=KbCheck;` Query current state of all keys on a keyboard
- ▶ `secs = KbWait;` Just like Kb, but it waits until a key on the keyboard is pressed down and simply returns the time that the key was pressed
  - ▶ Can detect and report multiple simultaneous keypresses.
  - ▶ Can query multiple keyboards on Linux and OS/X, one on Windows.
  - ▶ Can mask out dead or stuck keys, often a problem on Laptops.  
`DisableKeysForKbCheck()`

Importante:

- ▶ Queries are fast, bypassing OS queues and application event queues.
- ▶ Despite that: Standard keyboards problematic for RT measurements!

¿El teclado es lento?



Kb-Encoder: 5-20 ms

Debouncer: Up to 20 ms

USB: Up to 10 ms



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