

MATLAB lesson 4: Graphics

Exercise sheet

1 Based on the lesson

These exercises can be completed using information found in the lesson

1. Basic x-y plot
 - (a) Create an array `x`, with values 1 to 10
 - (b) Create an array `y`, containing 10 random numbers
 - (c) Plot `y` against `x`
 - (d) Close the figure
2. Customise lines and markers

Recreate the same `y` vs `x` plot but:

 - (a) Set the line width to 2 and set the line style to dashed
 - (b) Set the marker style to circles and set the marker size to 8
3. Set axis range
 - (a) Set the x-axis range to 2-8, and the y-axis range to 0.2-0.8
 - (b) Set the x-range back to 0-10
 - (c) Return both axis ranges to the default values
4. Turn the grid on
5. Clear the figure window (without closing it)
6. Plot `y` vs `x` on log-log axes
7. Make your figure intelligible to others
 - (a) Give your figure a title
 - (b) Label the `x` and `y` axes
 - (c) Add a legend in the bottom right corner
8. Sub-plots
 - (a) Create an array `y1`, equal to `x` squared
 - (b) Create an array `y2`, equal to `x` cubed

- (c) Create a figure window
 - (d) Using a 2*2 tiling pattern, create subplots for y vs x (top left), y1 vs x (top right) and y2 vs x (full width of bottom row).
9. Surface plot
- Using the `peaks(500)` function, create a surface plot
10. Bar chart with sub-plot
- (a) Use the `rand` function to create a matrix with 3 row and 4 columns of data
 - (b) Display the data as a bar chart and a stacked bar chart, together in the same figure window
11. Save (hint: `print`) the figure from the previous question as a png image file
12. Save the current figure as a figure file which can be loaded back into MATLAB

2 Using the MATLAB documentation

These exercises require information from the MATLAB help files

1. Open the figure from the previous question in MATLAB
 2. Image plot
- Using the `peaks(500)` function, create an image plot with the colours scaled to represent the values of the matrix.
(hint: read about 'CDataMapping' on the image plot help page)