

MATLAB lesson 4: Graphics

Exercise sheet

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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

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- (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)