

# 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 a ten-element vector  $\mathbf{x}$ , with values 1 to 10
  - (b) Create a vector  $\mathbf{y}$ , containing 10 random numbers
  - (c) Plot  $\mathbf{y}$  against  $\mathbf{x}$
  - (d) Close the figure
2. Customise lines and markers

Recreate the same  $\mathbf{y}$  vs  $\mathbf{x}$  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  $\mathbf{y}$  vs  $\mathbf{x}$  on log-log axes
7. Make your figure intelligible to others
  - (a) Give your figure a title
  - (b) Label the  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  axes
  - (c) Add a legend in the bottom right corner

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8. Sub-plots

- (a) Create a vector **y1**, equal to **x** squared
- (b) Create a vector **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)