# Introduction to MATLAB

### Important Links

• Course Notes: <a href="https://swcarpentry.github.io/matlab-novice-inflammation/">https://swcarpentry.github.io/matlab-novice-inflammation/</a>

#### Timetable

- 09:00 10:30 Session 1, part 1
- 10:30 10:45 Break
- 10:45 12:00 Session 1, part 2
- 12:00 13:00 Lunch
- 13:00 14:30 Session 2, part 1
- 14:30 14:45 Break
- 14:45 16:00 Session 2, part 2

## Teaching methods

- Live coding
- Exercises to try out what you're learning
- Course notes and slides available online
- All examples and exercises included in notes

## Getting help / asking questions

- Use Zoom reactions:
- Green tick' if you're okay
- 'Red cross' if you need help / you're not okay
- 'Raise hand' if you want to ask question
- You will have questions, please ask them!

#### MATLAB

- MATLAB (MATrix LABoratory) is a programming language and numerical computing environment with its own IDE (Interactive Development Environment
- [Advantage] Very good at matrix operations
- [Advantage] Large user base in science and engineering
- [Advantage] Well documented
- [Advantage] Can do a lot with it
- [Advantage] "Semi-interpreted" language easy to use, great for prototyping and debugging
- [Disadvantage] "Semi-interpreted" language slower than "compiled" language (eg C/C++)
- [Disadvantage] Not free to use or open source