

Unscramble the following letters to reveal an October word

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# ENGR 101 - Lecture 8

Plotting

# Lecture Goals



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- Previous lecture: Working with Images
  - Greyscale image representation
  - RGB image representation
  - HSV image representation
  - **Suggested readings, Attaway, Chap 13.2**
  - Project 2 Overview
- Today's lecture: plotting with MATLAB
  - Potpourri of MATLAB plotting commands
  - **Suggested readings, Attaway, Chap 3.5, 11.1**

# Announcements

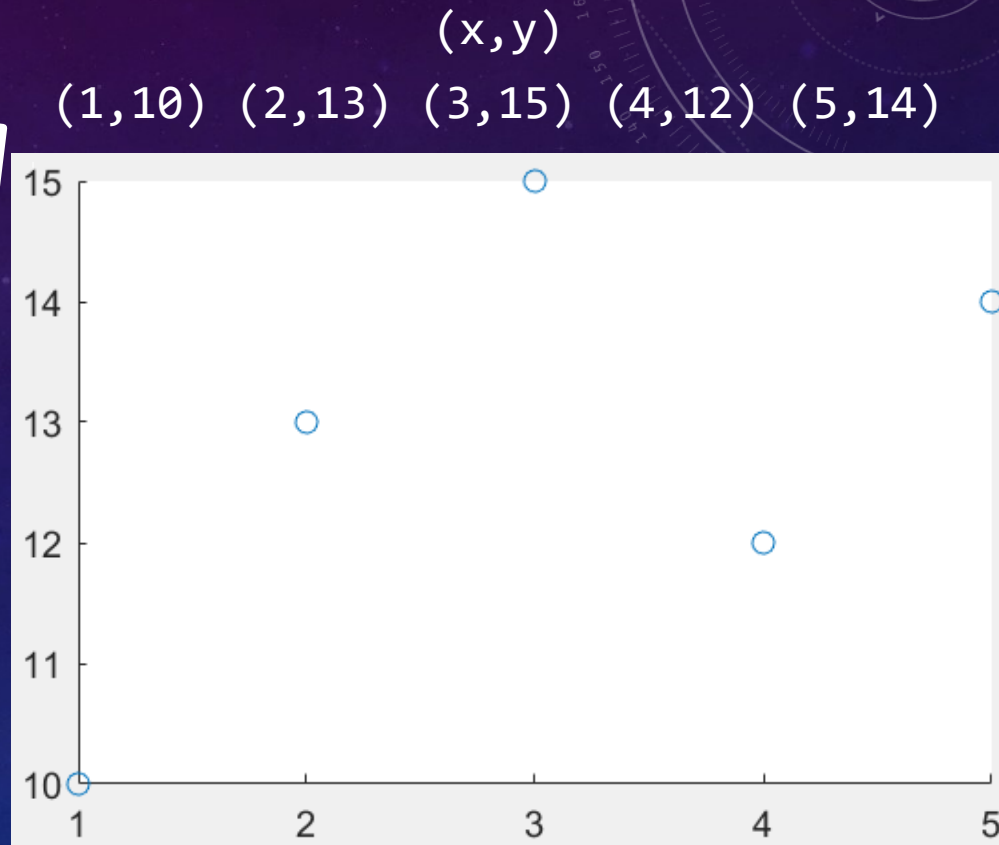
- I always hold “office hours” after lecture behind Stamps Auditorium.
- Mondays/Wednesdays, 10:30am until done
  - Project 2
  - Lecture questions
  - Any other business

# Creating a Scatterplot

- To show a scatterplot, use the scatter function.

```
x = [1,2,3,4,5];  
y = [10,13,15,12,14];  
scatter(x,y);
```

- It takes two arguments, which are interpreted as coordinates of ordered pairs to be plotted.



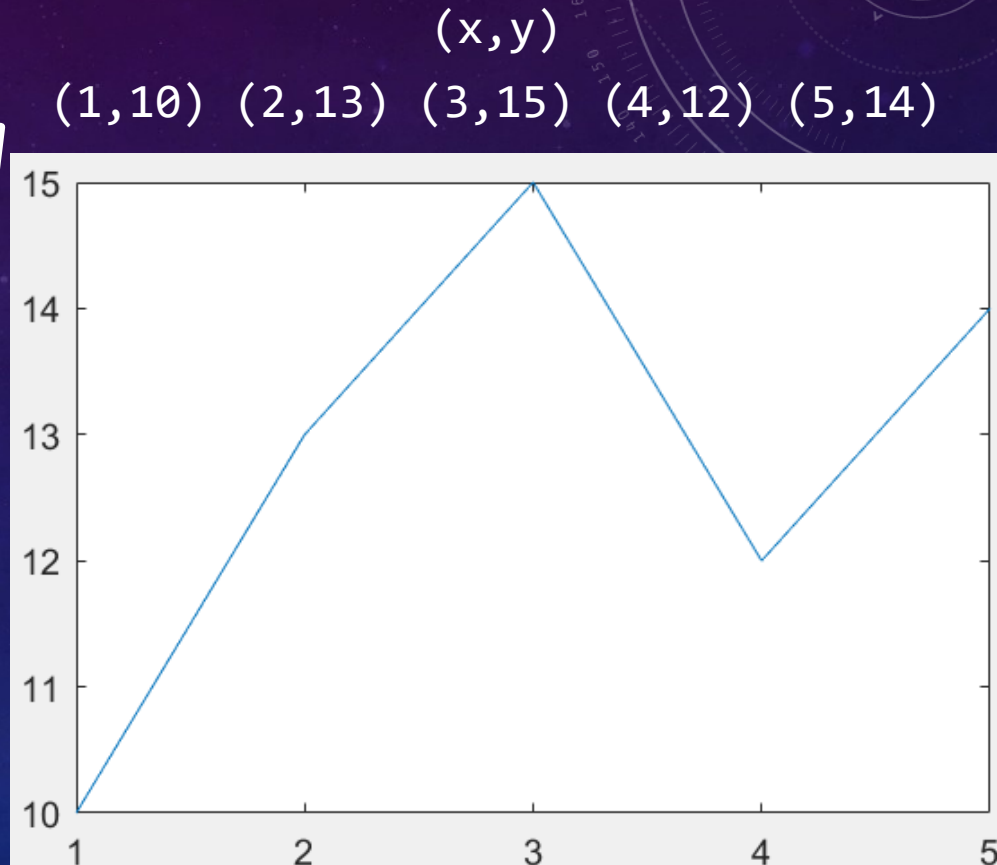


# The plot Function

- plot works similarly to scatter, but connects the data points.

```
x = [1,2,3,4,5];  
y = [10,13,15,12,14];  
plot(x,y);
```

- The ordering of the (x,y) pairs matters (as opposed to scatter).



# Plotting Functions

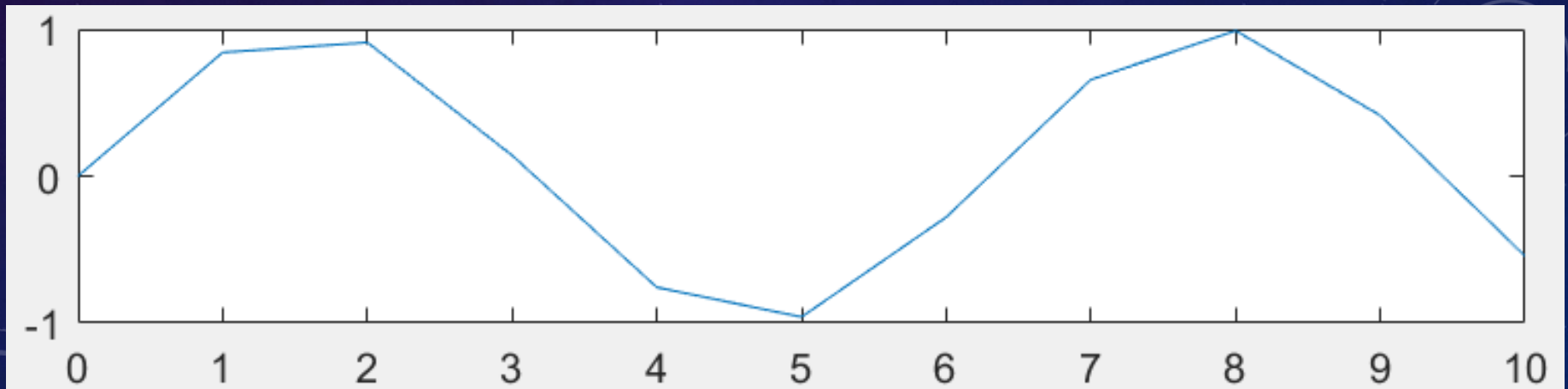
- Can we use MATLAB like a graphing calculator?
  - This doesn't work: `plot(sin);`
- **plot requires a set of ordered pairs**
  - We can generate these easily using vectorized code!

```
x = 0:10;
```

```
y = sin(x);
```

```
plot(x,y);
```

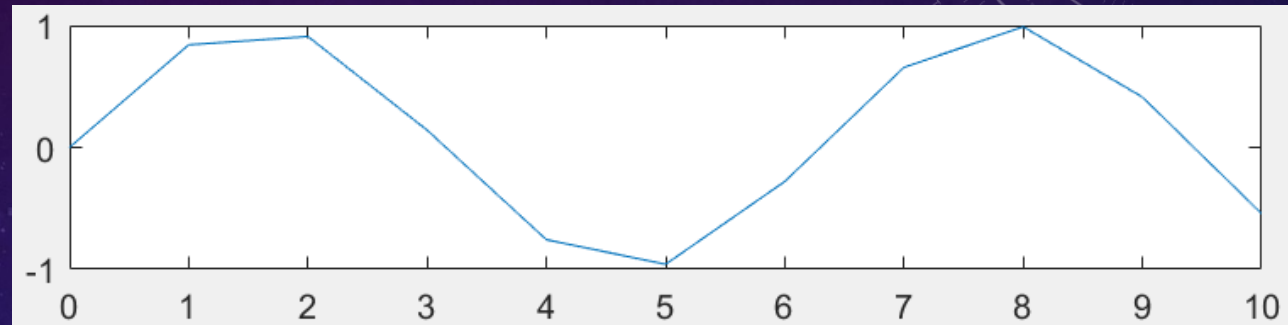
x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
y	0	0.84	0.91	0.14	-0.76	-0.96	-0.28	0.66	0.99	0.41	-0.54



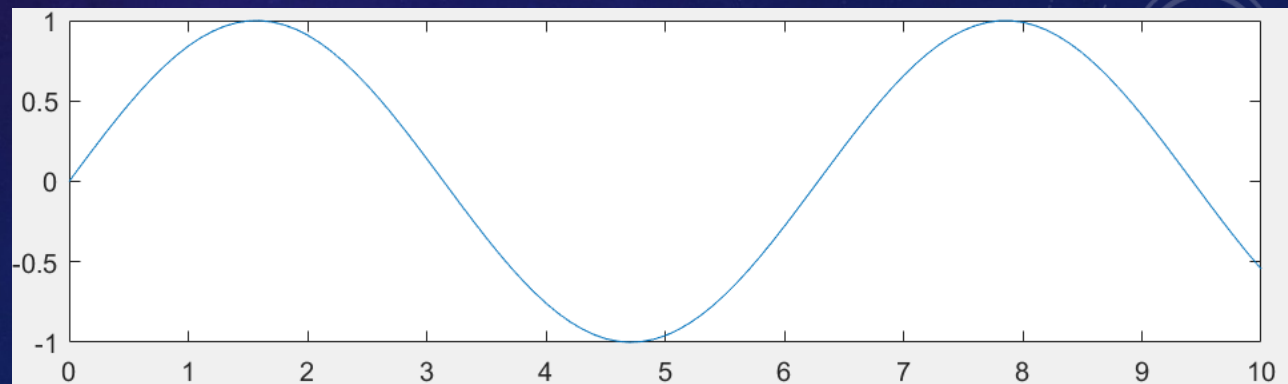
# Plotting Functions

- To create a smoother plot of a math function, just use more data points. To do this with a range, decrease the step size.

```
x = 0:10;  
y = sin(x);  
plot(x,y);
```



```
x = 0:0.1:10;  
y = sin(x);  
plot(x,y);
```





# Your turn #1 - projectile motion

- Write a function **ex01** that calculates, as a function of time, the height of a baseball thrown vertically upwards

**function [h] = ex01(h0,vi,a,t)**

- Use  **$h = h0 + vi*t + a*t^2/2$**

where **a = acceleration due to gravity** (Google it)

- Let time **t = [0:0.1:10] s**

assume **h0 = 0, vi = 40 m/s** (fastball is 90 mi/hr)

- **plot(t,h)** for only those values with positive height

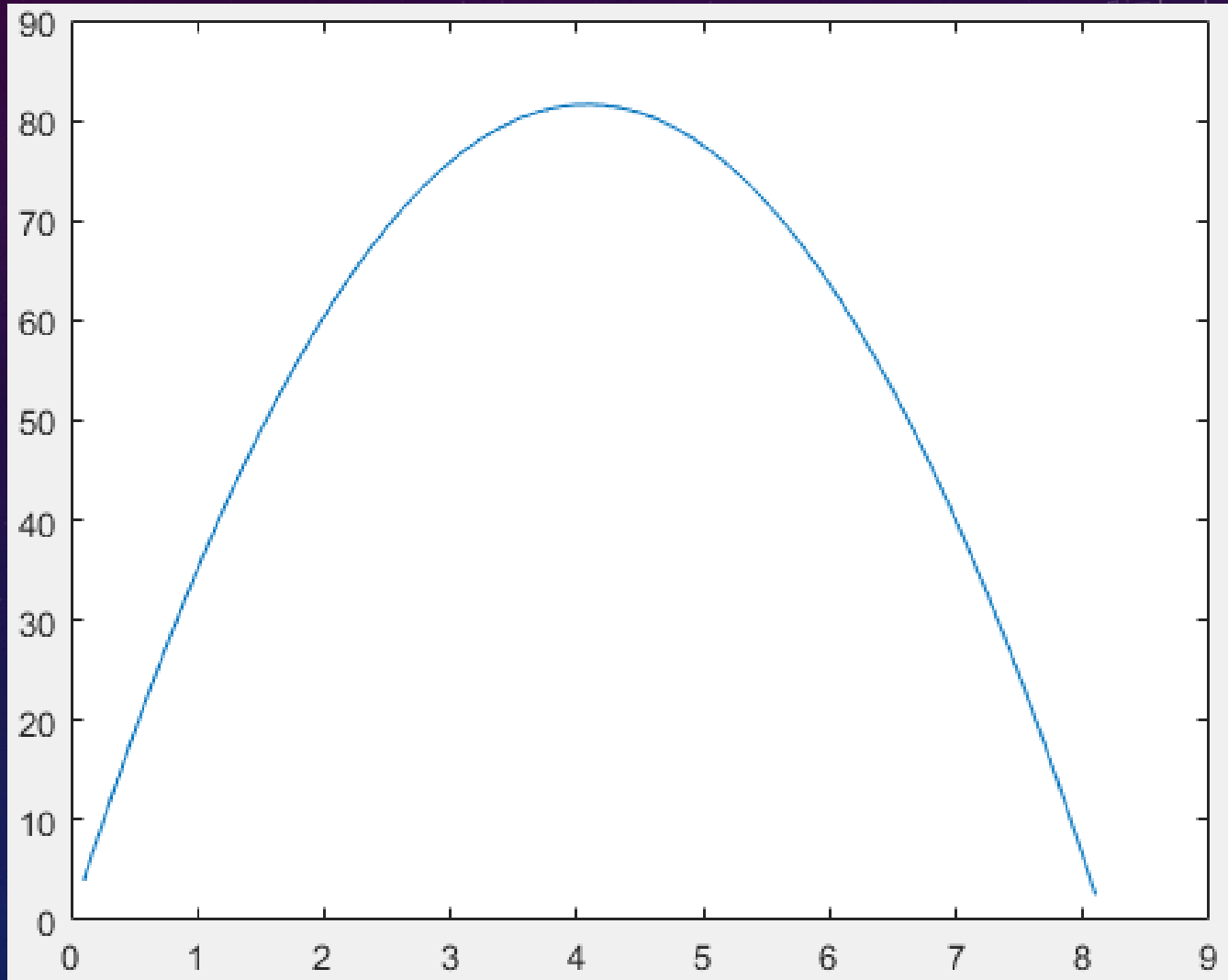
- Call your function from the command window

## Exercise #1 - projectile motion

```
function [h] = ex01(h0,vi,a,t)
% vertical height, projectile motion
    h = h0 + vi.*t + 0.5.*a.*t.^2;
    plot(t(h>0),h(h>0)); % here or in a script
end
```

```
>> h=ex01(0,40,-9.8,[0:.1:10]);
```

# Exercise #1 - projectile motion





# Plotting Multiple Sets of Data

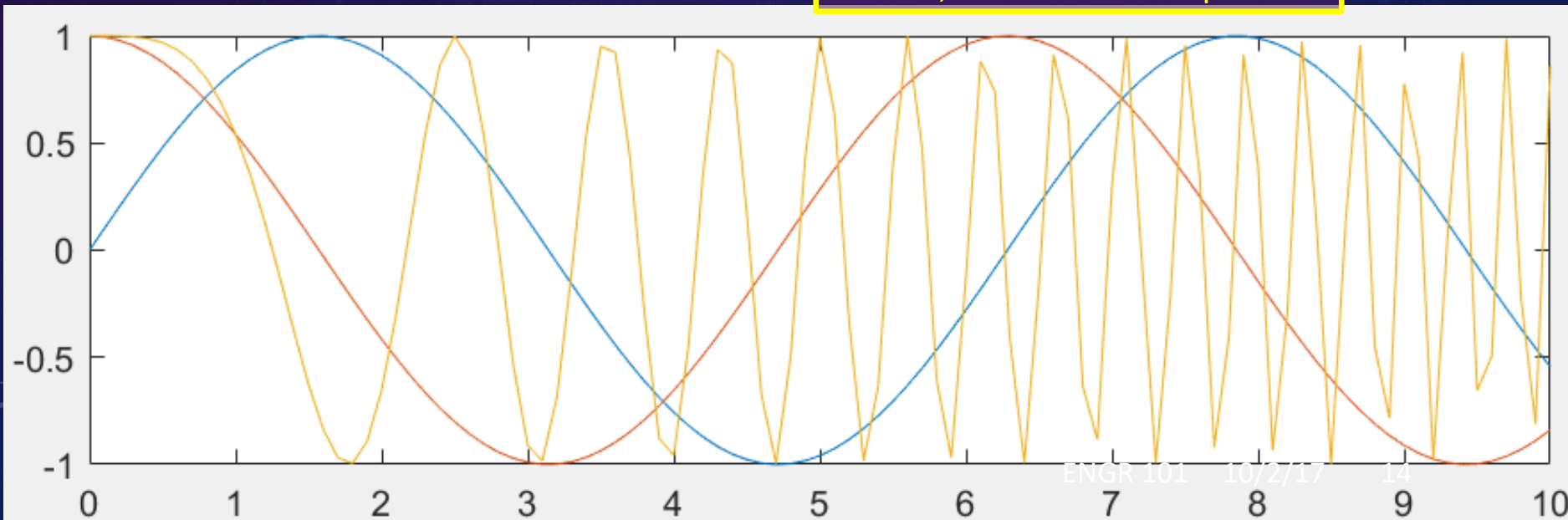
- `plot` and `scatter` allow you to specify multiple sets of data that may be shown together.

Change to `x = 0:0.01:10;` → `x = 0:0.1:10;`

```
plot(x, sin(x), x, cos(x), x, cos(x.^2));
```

Why does the plot of  $\cos(x^2)$  look so bad?

The "x" values will often be the same, but this is not required.



# The linspace Function

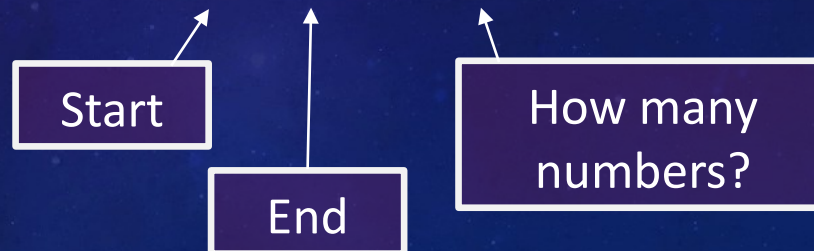
- The linspace function provides an alternate way to create evenly spaced vectors of numbers.
- Range Notation:

```
x = [0:0.01:10];
```



- linspace:

```
linspace(0,10,1001);
```





# Figures

- In MATLAB, **figures** are used to display graphics (e.g. plots, charts, images, etc.) in a separate window.
- You can have several figures at once.
  - Each figure has a unique number (e.g. figure 1, figure 2, ...)
  - **The current figure will be the target of any display operations.**
  - Initially, figure 1 is the current figure.
- Use the `figure` function to manage figures.
  - `figure();`
  - `figure(n);`

Creates a new figure, which becomes the current figure.

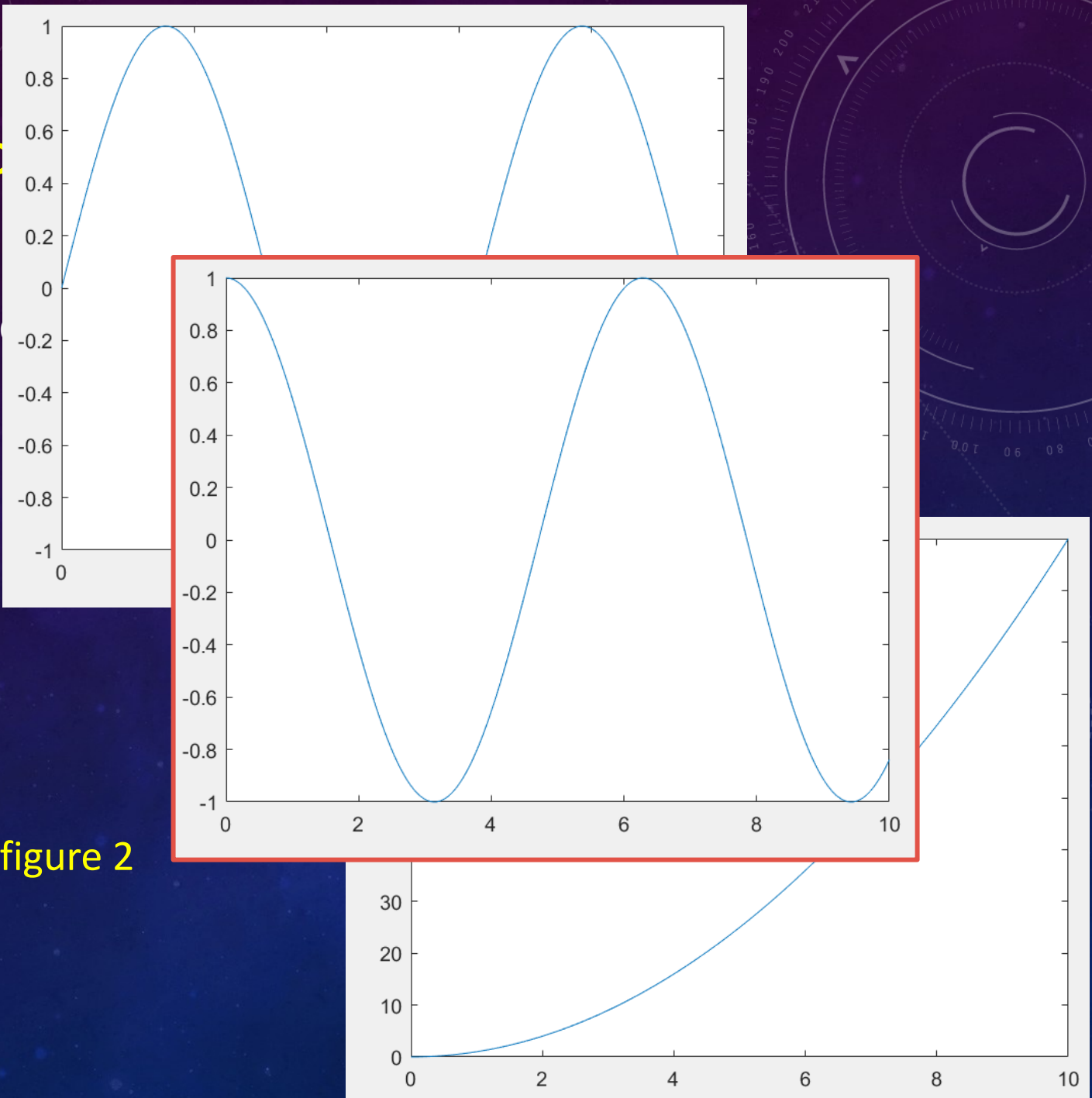
Sets figure n to be the current figure.  
(It is created if it doesn't exist already.)

## Using Multiple Figures

➤ Here's an example:

```
x=linspace(0,10,1000);  
figure();  
plot(x, sin(x));  
  
figure();  
plot(sin(x), x);  
  
figure(42);  
plot(x, x.^2);  
  
figure(2);  
plot(x, cos(x));
```

➤ The original plot in figure 2 disappeared :(



# Closing Figures

- To close the current figure:

```
close
```

- To close all figures:

```
close all
```

- To close a particular figure:

```
close n
```

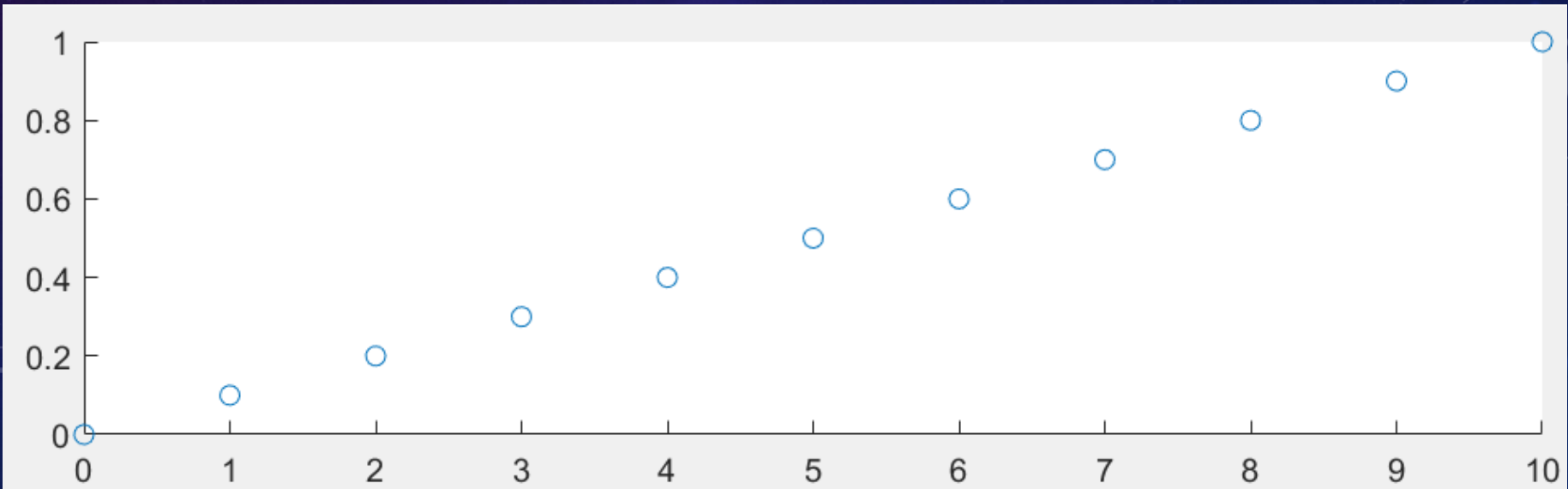


# Multiple Plots in One Figure

- We've seen that `plot` can accept multiple sets of data, but what if you also wanted a scatterplot on the same axes?

```
figure();  
x1 = 0:0.1:10;  
plot(x1, sin(x1));  
x2 = 0:10;  
scatter(x2, x2 ./ 10);
```

MATLAB's default behavior is to replace the old plot with the new one.



# The hold Command

- The hold command tells MATLAB to add new plots to the same set of axes instead of replacing the old plot.

```
figure();
```

```
hold on;
```

MATLAB will now add new plots without replacing the old ones.

```
x1 = 0:0.1:10;
```

```
plot(x1, sin(x1));
```

```
x2 = 0:10;
```

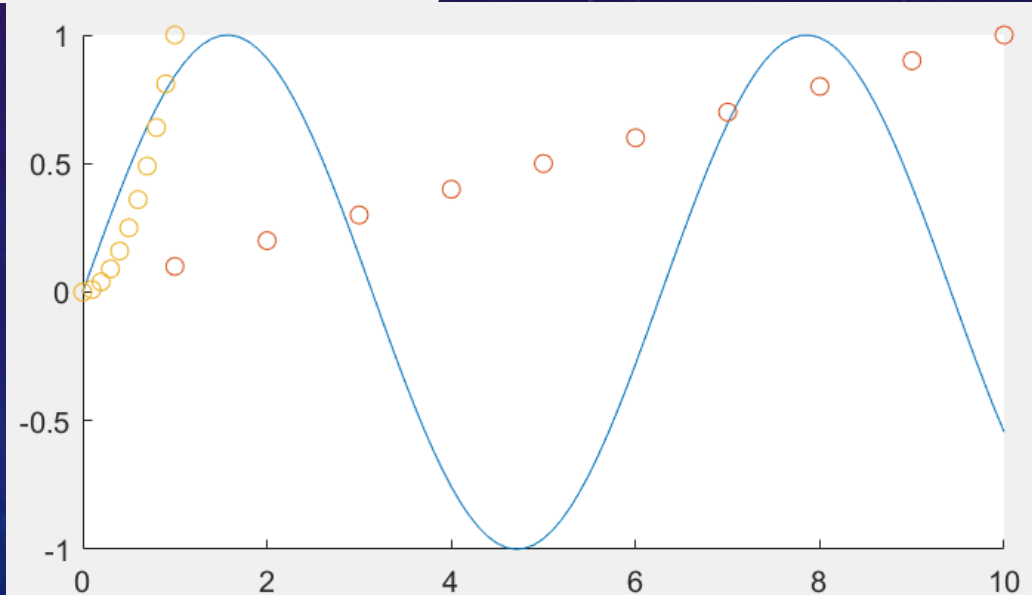
```
scatter(x2, x2 ./ 10);
```

```
x3 = 0:0.1:1;
```

```
scatter(x3, x3.^ 2);
```

```
hold off;
```

After hold is turned off, new plots will once again replace old ones.





## Your turn #2 - actual projectile motion

- Same as before, but the ball is thrown at a 45 deg angle. Write a new function that determines the (x,y) positions of the ball over the same time period, t, starting at  $x_0=y_0=0$ ,  $v_i=40$ ,  $t=[0:0.1:10]$ .

- $x = x_0 + v_i * t * \cos(\theta)$
- $y = y_0 + v_i * t * \sin(\theta) + a * t^2 / 2$

**function [x,y] = ex02(x0,y0,vi,a,t,theta)**

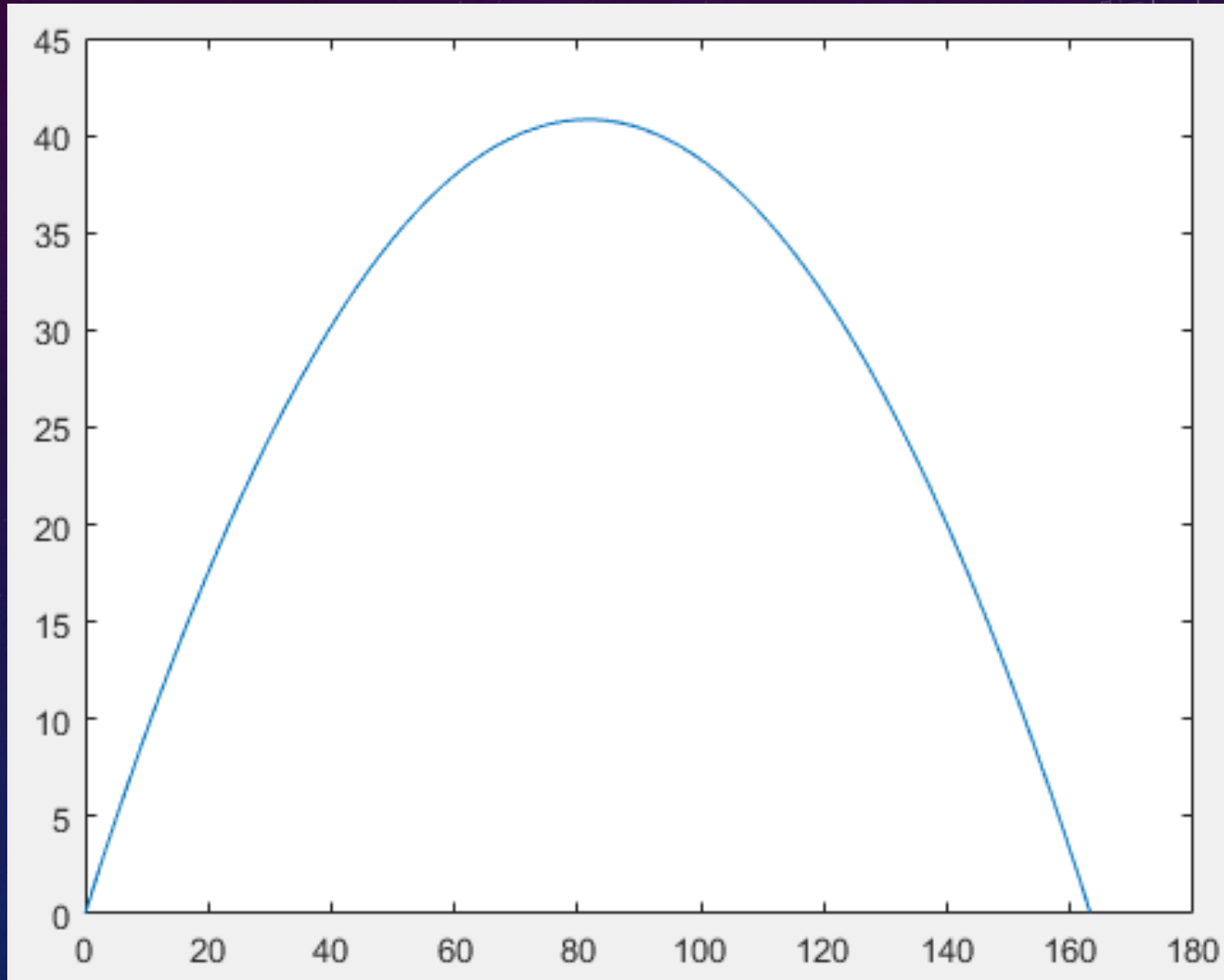
- The function must have two returns, vectors [x, y], which are both a function of time, t. Change h0 to x0,y0, and add theta as parameter inputs
- Call your function from the command window and plot(x,y) for only those values with positive height (y)

## Exercise #2 - actual projectile motion

```
function [x,y] = ex02(x0,y0,vi,a,t,theta)
% vector heights, projectile motion
    ang = theta.*pi./180.;
    x = x0 + vi.*t.*cos(ang);
    y = y0 + vi.*t.*sin(ang) + 0.5.*a.*t.^2;
    plot(x(y>=0),y(y>=0))
end

>> [x,y] = ex02(0,0,40,-9.8,[0:0.1:10],45);
```

## Exercise #2 - actual projectile motion





# Creating a Pie Chart

- To show a pie chart, use the `pie` function.

```
votes = [20,36,75,40,14,34];
```

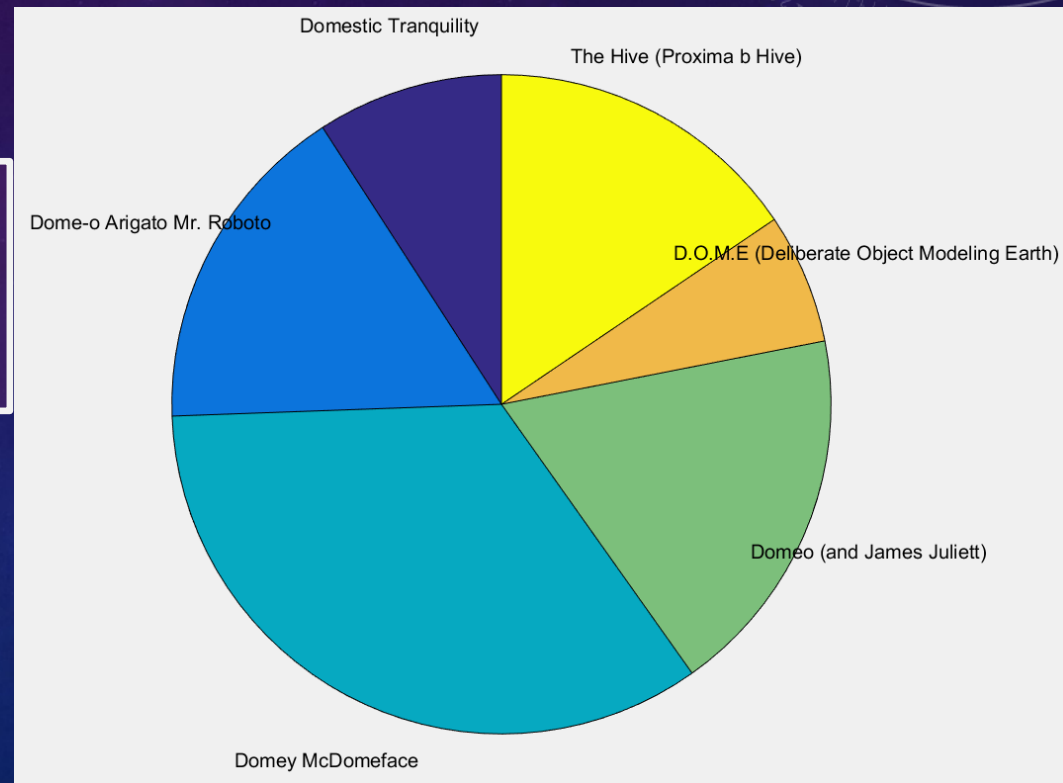
```
names = {'Domestic Tranquility', 'Dome-o Arigato  
Mr. Roboto', 'Domey McDomeface', 'a', 'b', 'c'};
```

```
pie(votes, names);
```

The first input  
is a vector of  
either counts or  
percentages.

The next input  
contains the  
labels for each  
category.

- The `pie3` function works similarly but produces a 3D pie chart instead.



# Creating a Bar Chart

- To show a bar chart, use the bar function.

```
projects = [0,1,2,3,4,5,6];
```

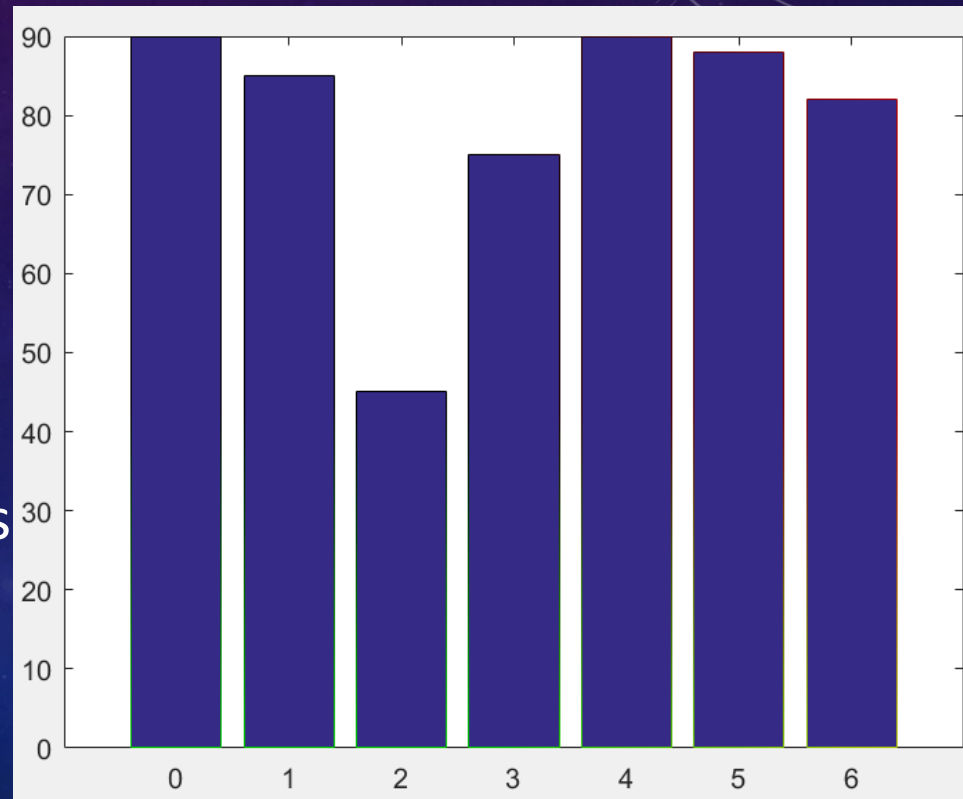
```
scores = [90,85,45,75,90,88,82];
```

```
bar(projects, scores);
```

The first input controls default labels and bar positions.

The next input contains the amount for each bar.

- The barh and bar3 functions work similarly but produce horizontal and 3D charts, respectively.



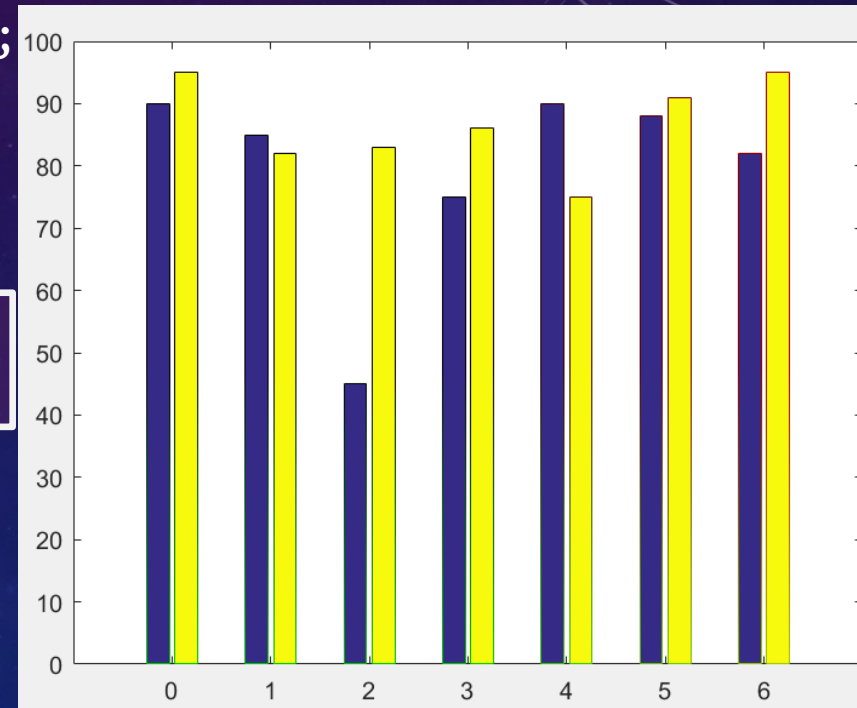


# Creating a Bar Chart

- To show grouped bars, use a matrix where each row corresponds to a single group of bars.

```
projects = [0,1,2,3,4,5,6];  
autograder = [90;85;45;75;90;88;82];  
style = [95;82;83;86;75;91;95];  
bar(projects, [autograder,style]);
```

Combine so that each row has one score for both autograder and style.

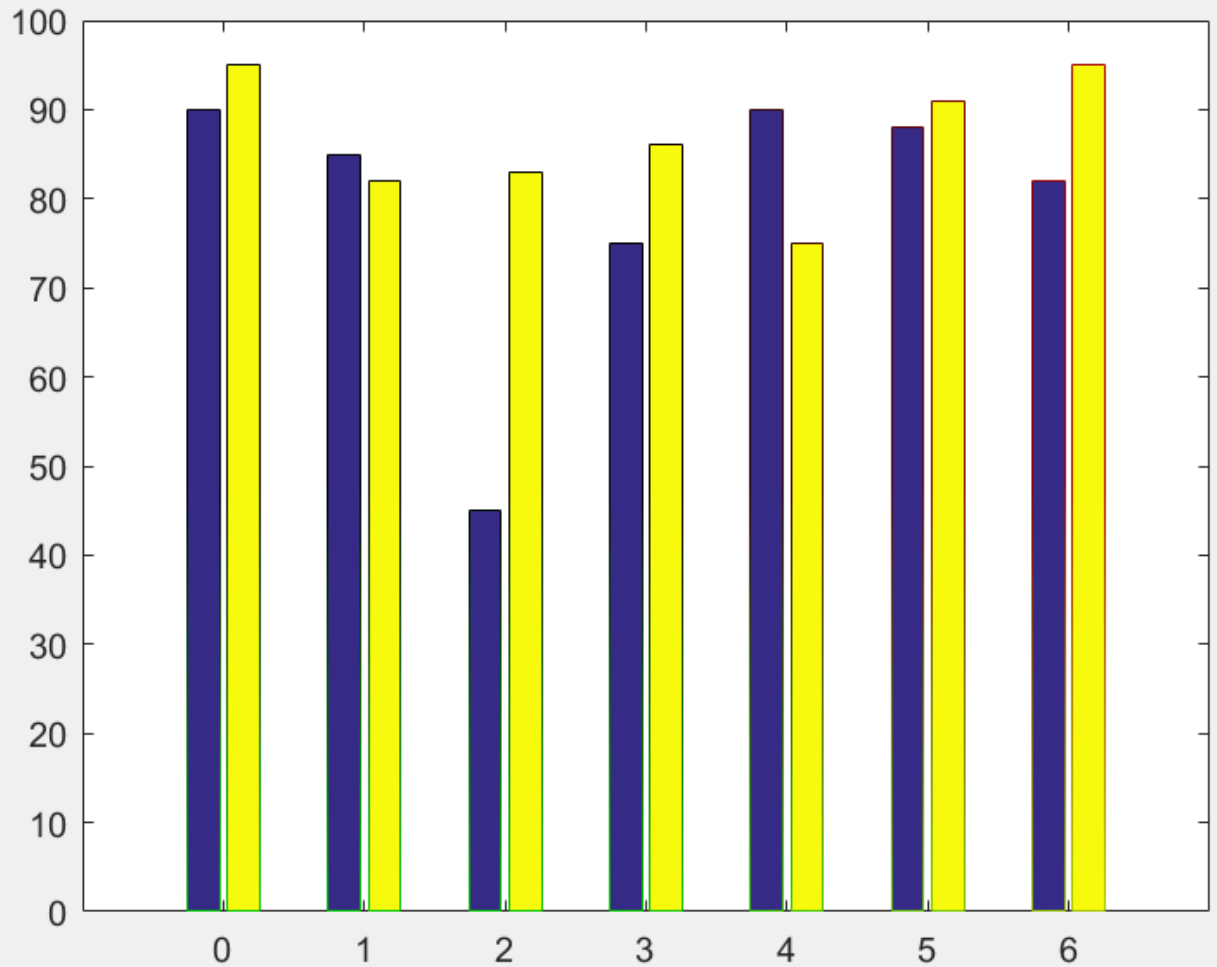


# Break Time

We'll start again in 5 minutes.



# What's wrong with this chart?

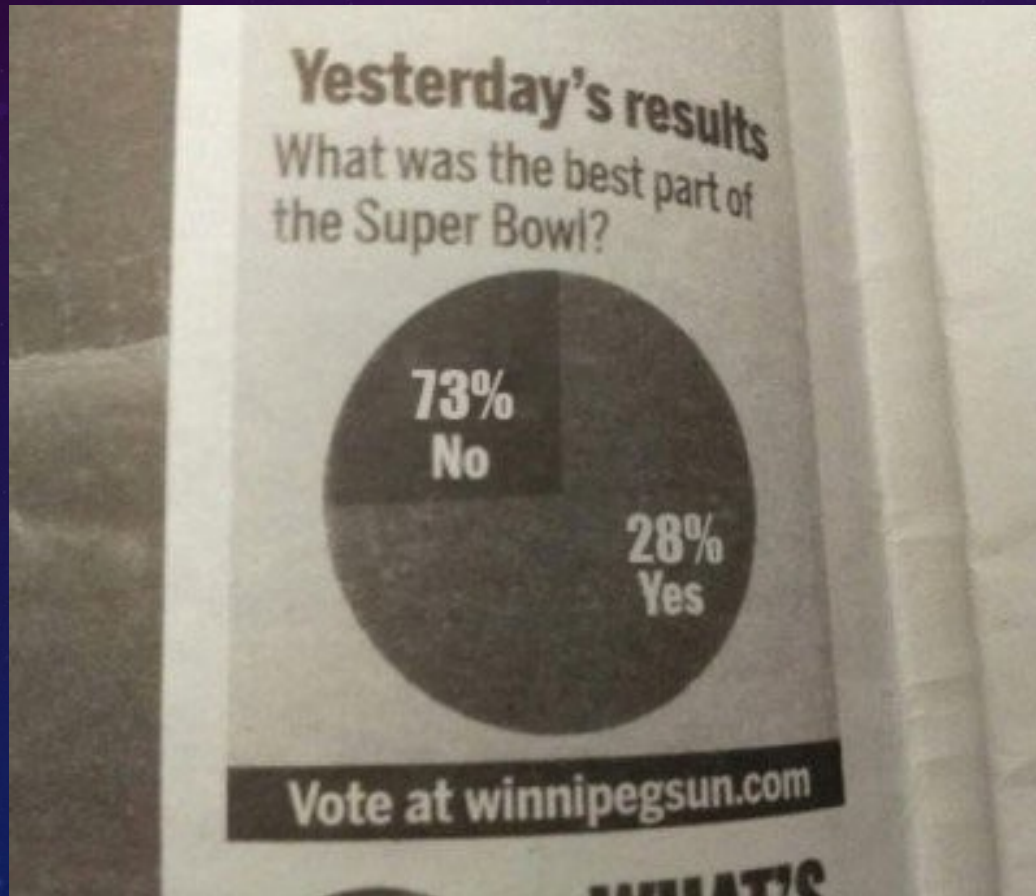


How is anyone going to know what this chart is supposed to be?



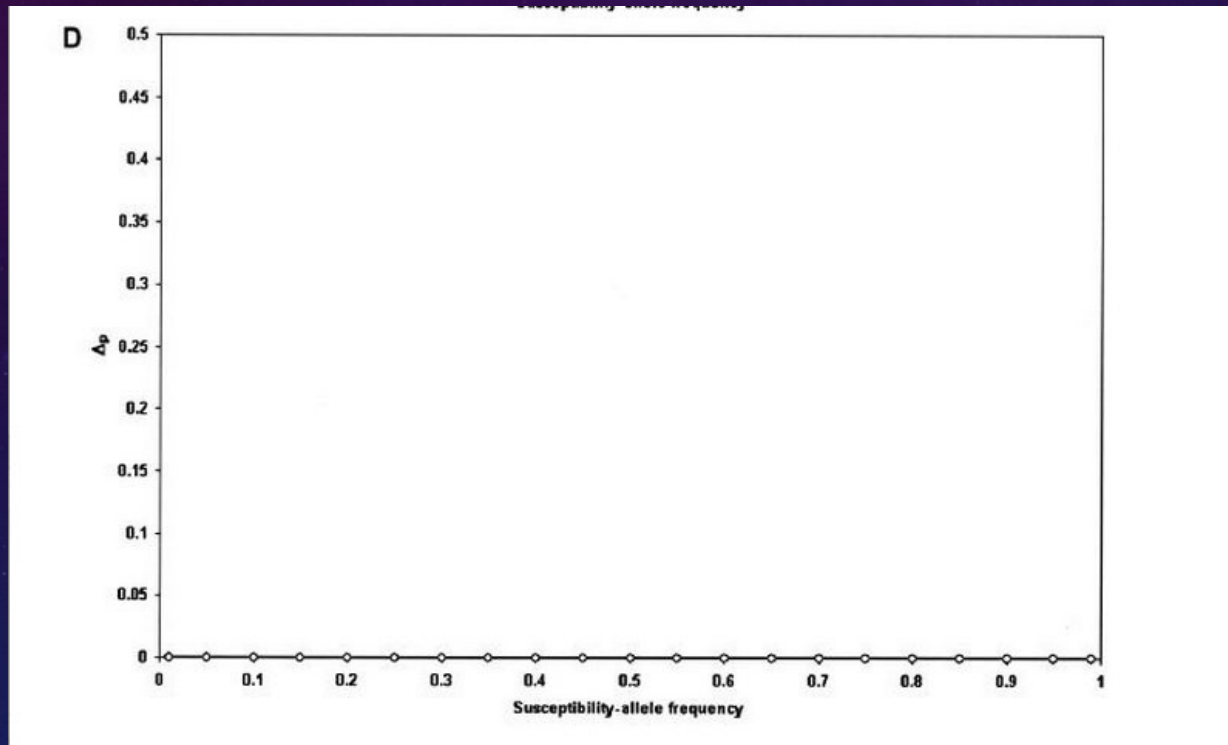
# Motivation for Making Good Plots

- Because someone did this



# Motivation for Making Good Plots

- Because someone did this, and this



Wittke-Thompson JK, Pluzhnikov A, Cox NJ (2005) Rational inferences about departures from Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium. *American Journal of Human Genetics* 76:967-986



# Your Graphs Will Out-Live You

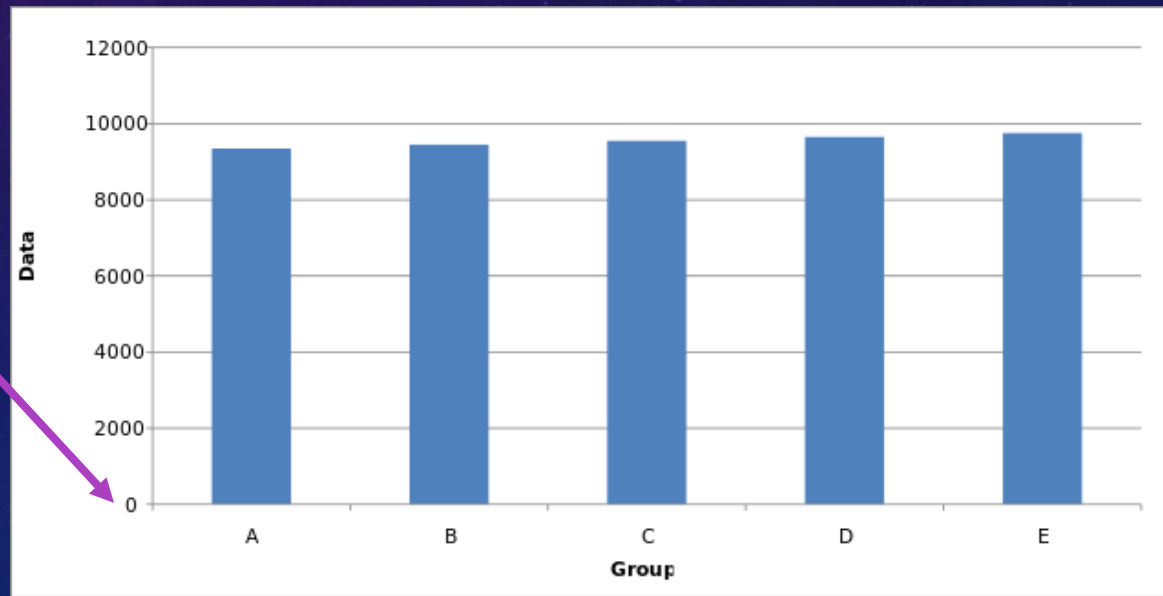
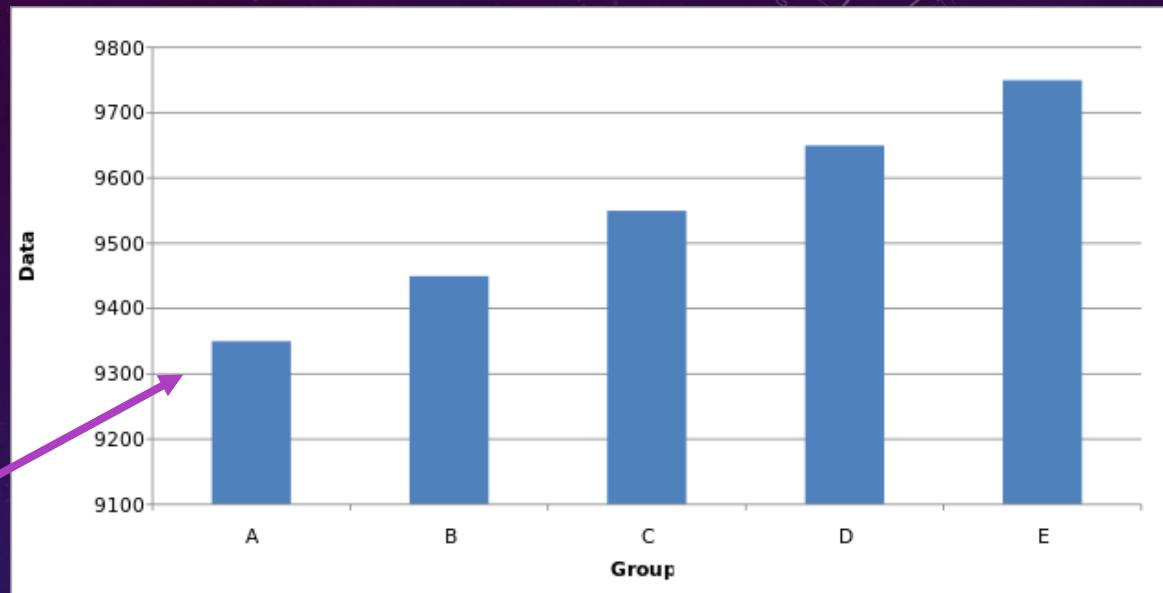
- The graphs and figures you make will go on to have a life of their own
- **To be successful in engineering or science, create figures that will “stand on their own”**
- Graphs and figures can show relationships between data that are difficult, if not impossible, to explain with words
- Graphs and figures can help you (and your audience) grasp what an equation actually *means*

# Don't Mislead with Your Plots

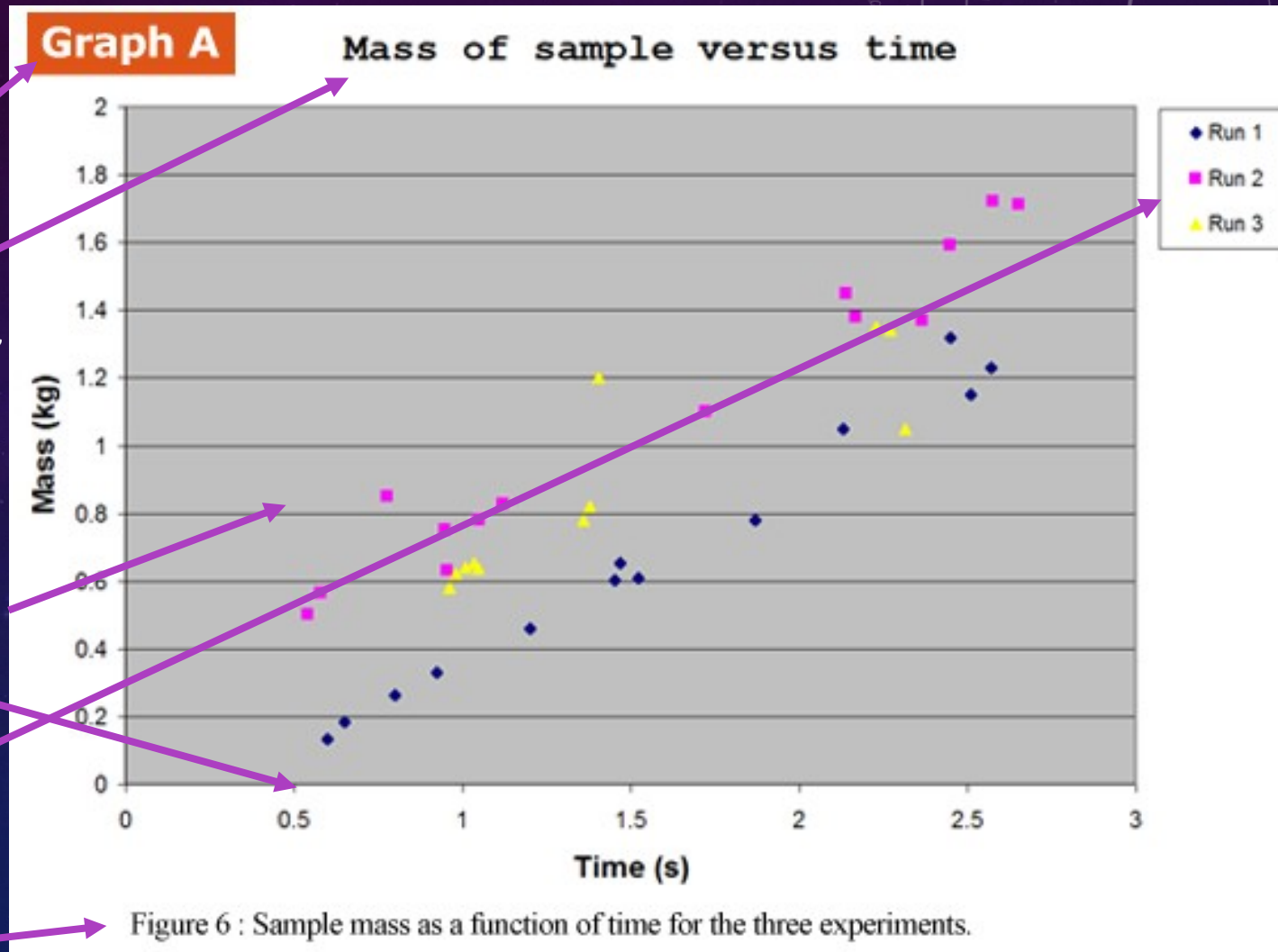
Wow! Look at the  
differences between  
the groups!

Oh wait... When the  
y-axis starts at zero,  
there's almost no  
difference.

for more information:  
[https://en.wikipedia.org  
/wiki/Misleading\\_graph](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Misleading_graph)



# Do Maximize your “Signal-Noise Ratio”



remove this

delete the title

(if you *MUST* have a title,  
describe the relationship  
between  $x, y$ )

Use a white background

add vertical grid lines

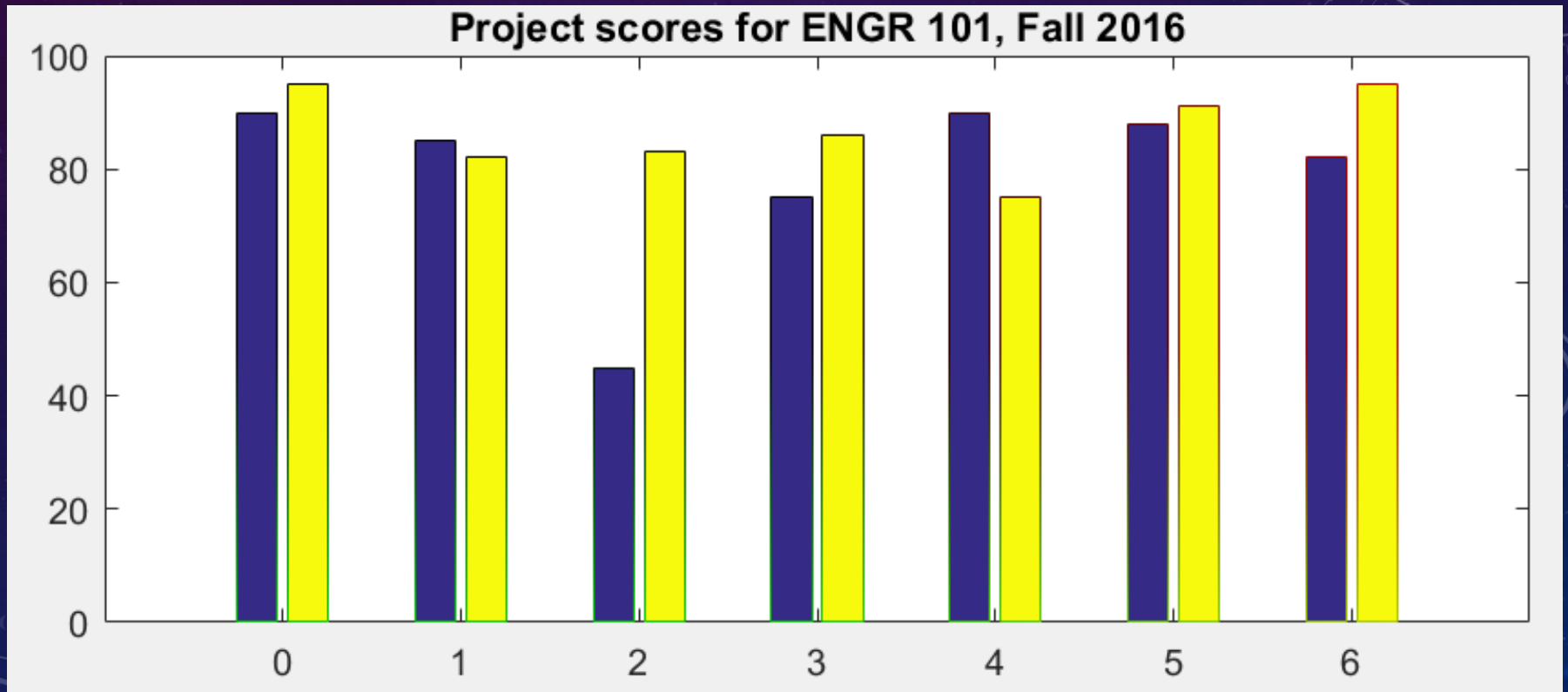
Consider colour  
blindness!

The caption must stand on it's own: mass of ?,  
time since ?, runs are ?

## Adding a Title

- The `title` function adds a title to the current figure.

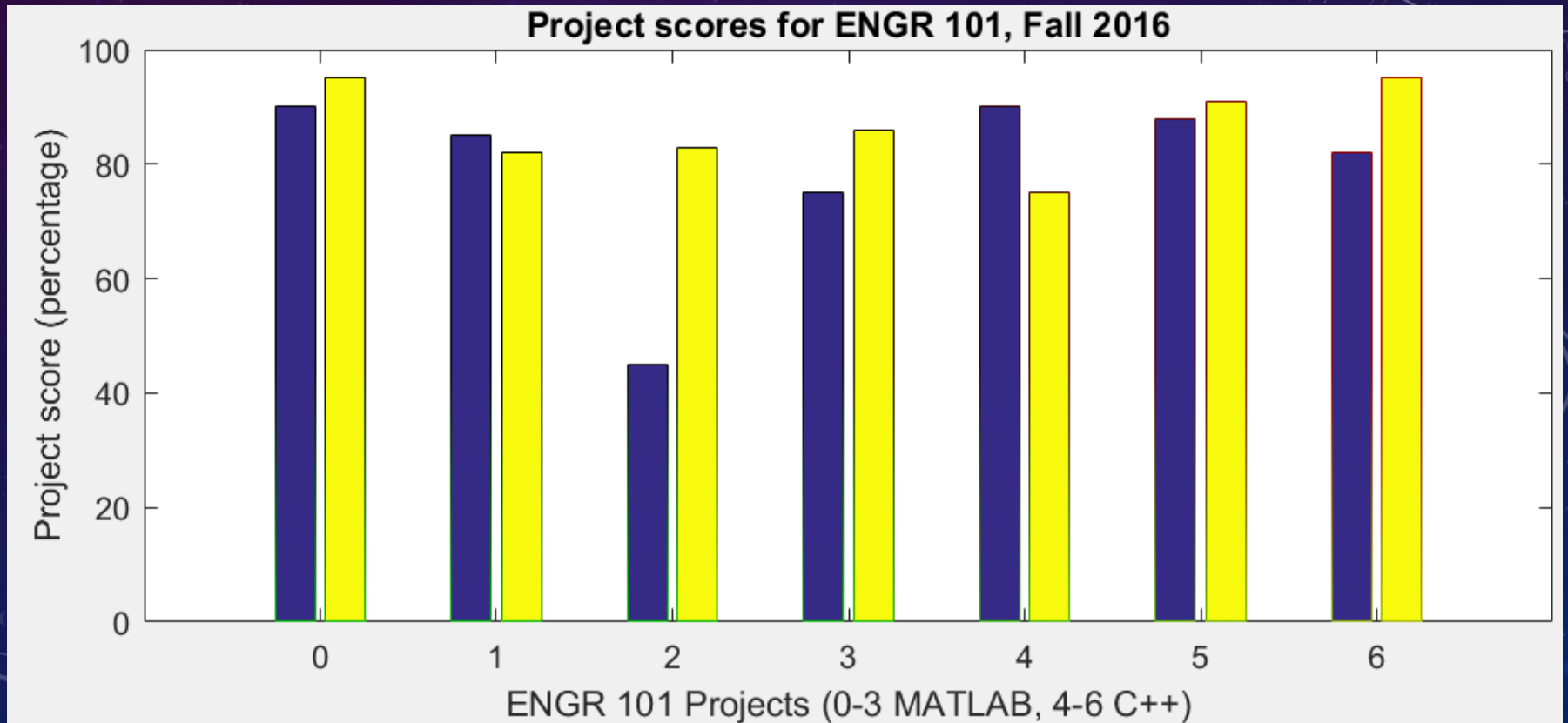
```
title('Project scores for ENGR 101, Fall 2016');
```





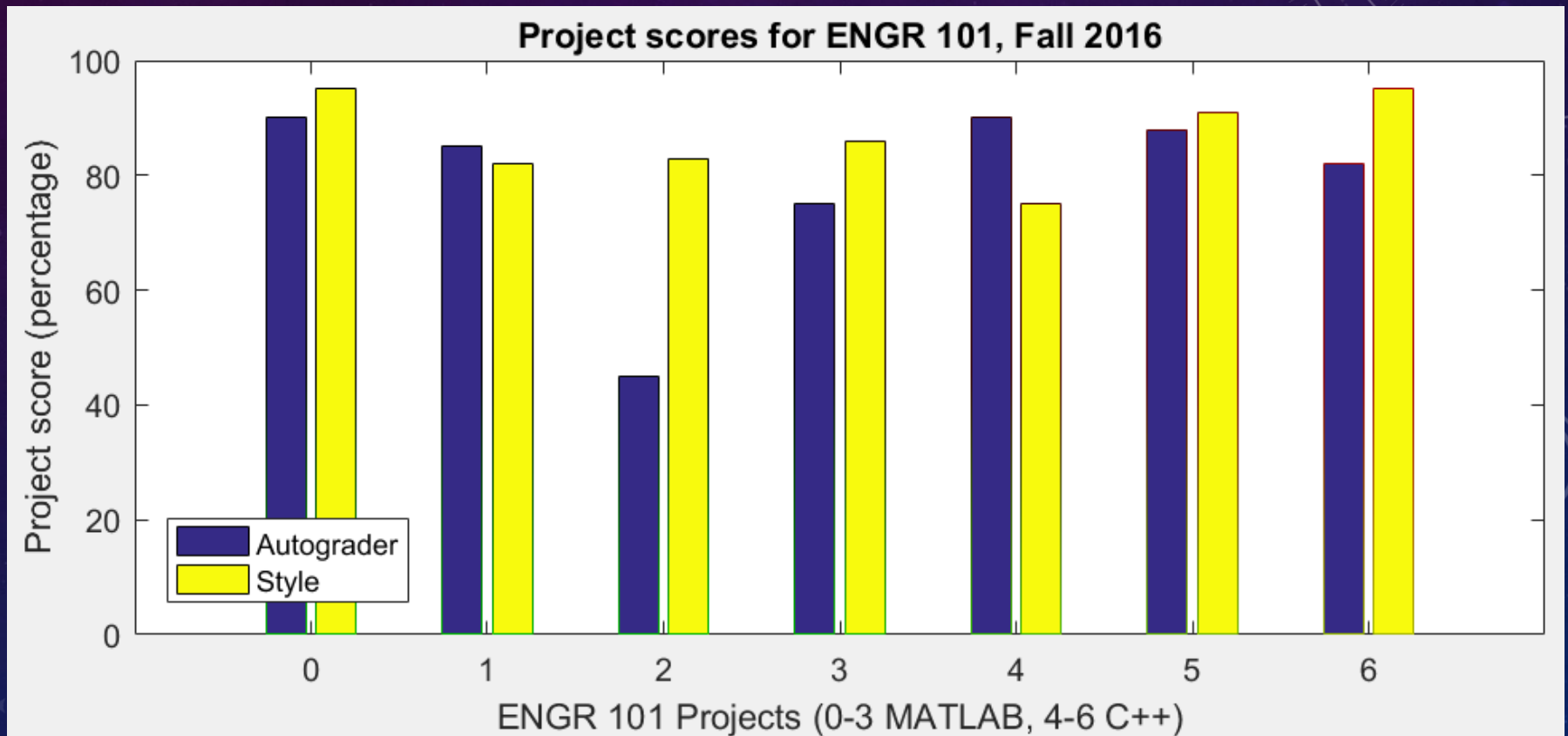
# Adding Axis Labels

```
xlabel('ENGR 101 Projects (0-3 MATLAB, 4-6 C++)');  
ylabel('Project score (percentage)');
```



# Adding a Legend

```
legend('Autograder', 'Style');
```



# Plotting and Scripts/Functions

- Scripts and/or functions can be helpful as a way to collect together all the individual commands to customize a plot.
- You can change just a bit and then rerun the whole thing.

```
function [ ] = plot101Grades(projects, autograder, style)
```

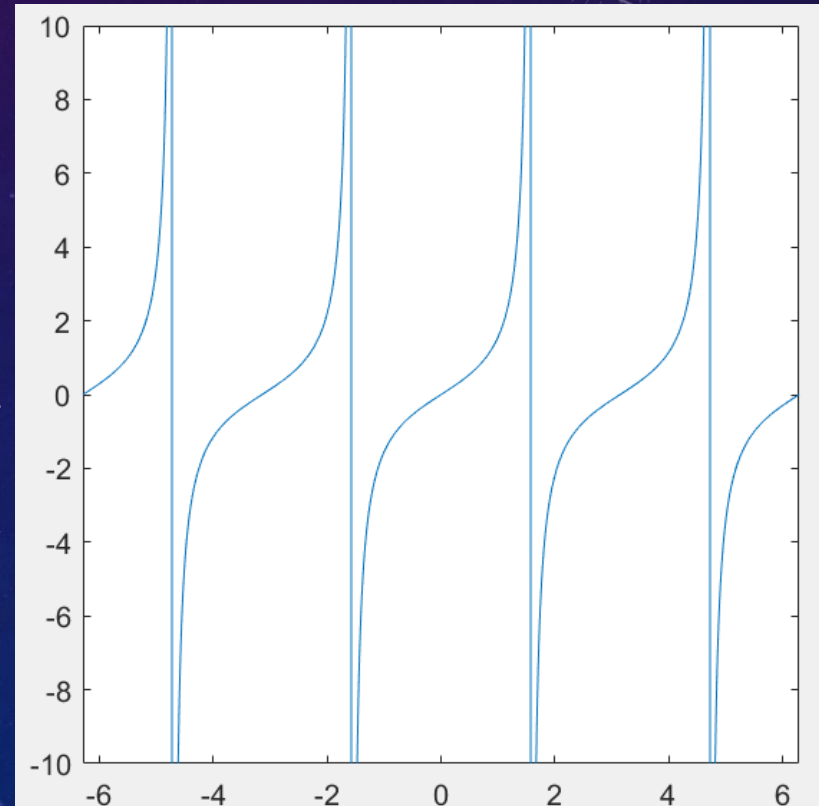
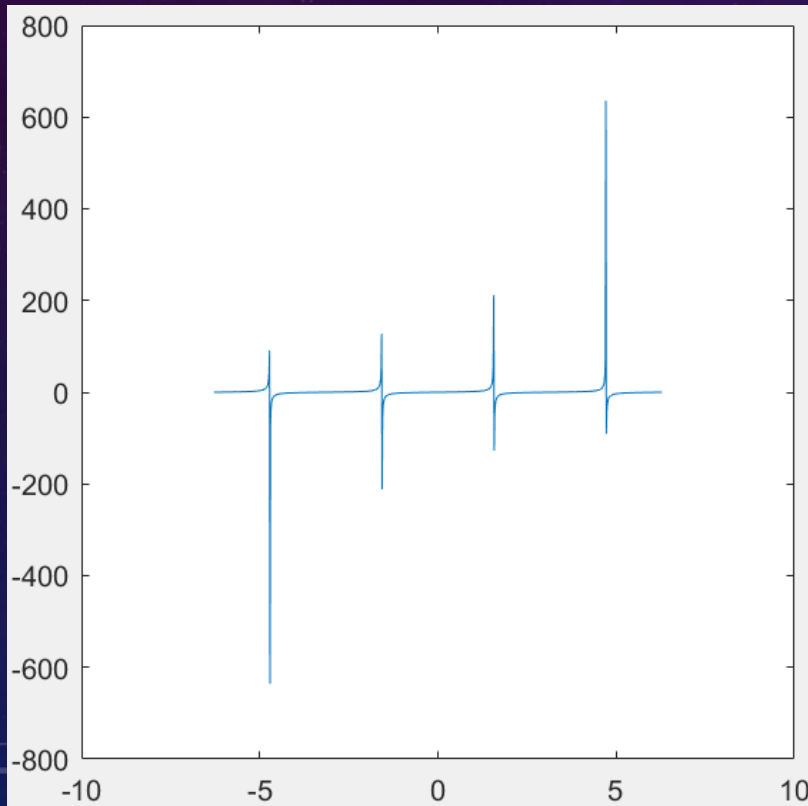
```
    figure();  
    bar(projects, [autograder,style]);  
    title('Project scores for ENGR 101, Fall 2016');  
    xlabel('ENGR 101 Projects (0-3 MATLAB, 4-6 C++)');  
    ylabel('Project score (percentage)');  
    legend('Autograder', 'Style');
```

```
end
```

# Customizing Axes

- MATLAB tries to guess appropriate axes ranges, but sometimes it just takes a human touch. Try plotting the tan function !!!

```
xlim([-2.*pi, 2.*pi]);  
ylim([-10, 10]);
```





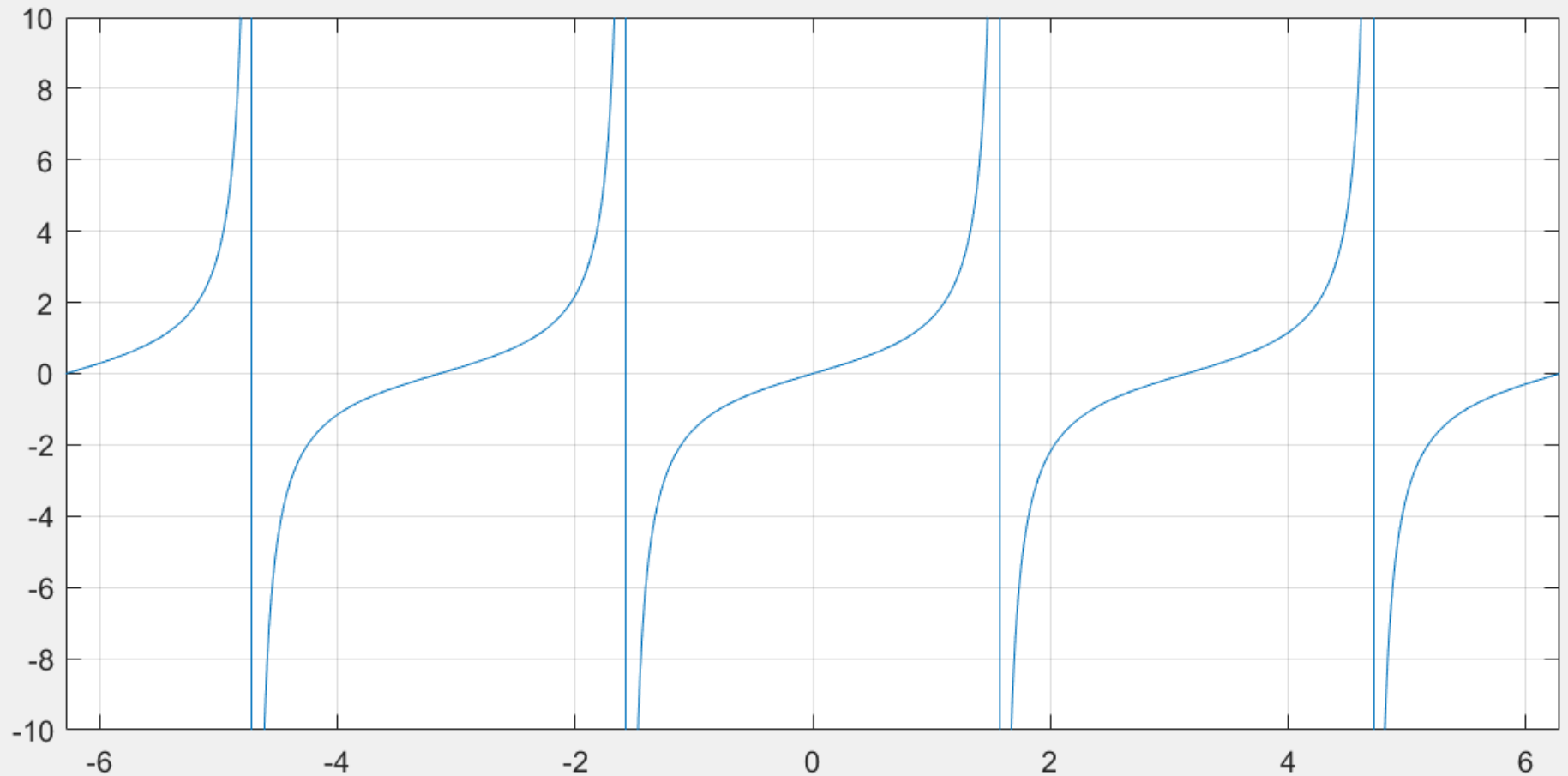
# Gridlines

➤ To turn on gridlines:

`grid on`

➤ To turn off gridlines:

`grid off`



# Customizing Line Plots

```
x = 0:0.1:10;  
plot(x, sin(x), '--sg', x, cos(x), ':or');
```

--  
dashed line

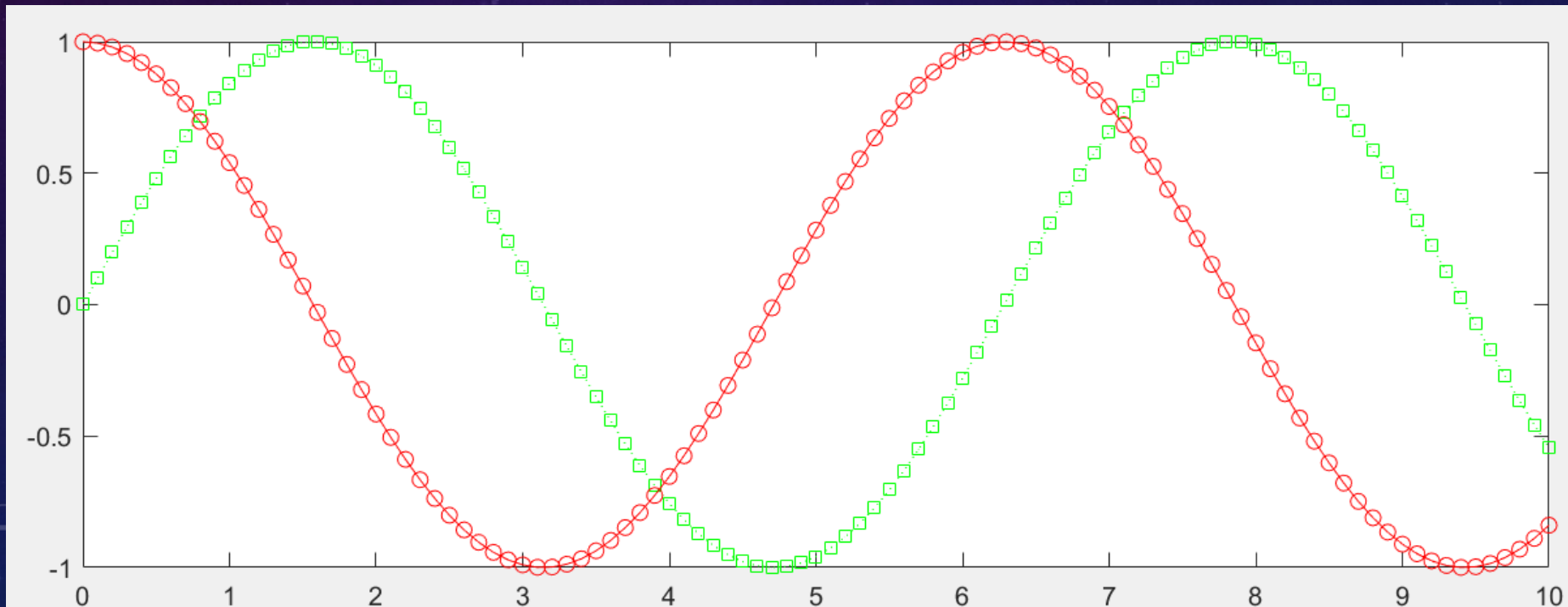
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square  
marker

g  
green color

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dotted line

o  
circle  
marker

r  
red color



# Plotting in General

- So far, we've only scratched the surface of what you can do with plots in MATLAB. There's so many more options!
- Here's the truth:

*Nobody memorizes all the different kinds of plots and the ways you can customize them.*

- Refer to online documentation for general guidance.
- Search online if there's something specific you're looking for.
  - [https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/creating\\_plots/types-of-matlab-plots.html](https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/creating_plots/types-of-matlab-plots.html)




5  
min

## Challenge: Rainfall Data

- Download the file `rainfall.mat` from the Google Drive.
- Use `load('rainfall.mat')` to load the dataset:
  - `days` – Numbered days 1-276 (October 2<sup>nd</sup> is day 276)
  - `dailyRain` – Amounts of rainfall on each day.
  - `totalRain` – A cumulative sum of rainfall up to that day.
- Create charts that show both the daily rainfall amounts and the cumulative total as a function of the day.
  - Think about which kind of plot is appropriate to use for each case!





**See you  
Wednesday**