



Chapter 6: Complex Data, Character Data, and Additional Plot Types

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Complex Data

- Commonly used in electrical engineering and mechanical systems

- $c = a + bi$

a : real part

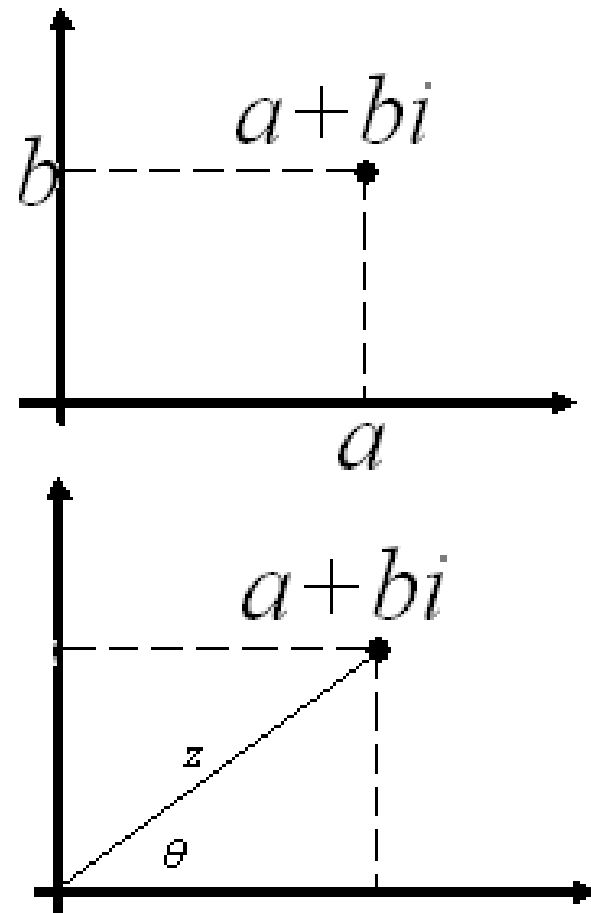
b : imaginary part

$$a = z \cos \theta$$

$$b = z \sin \theta$$

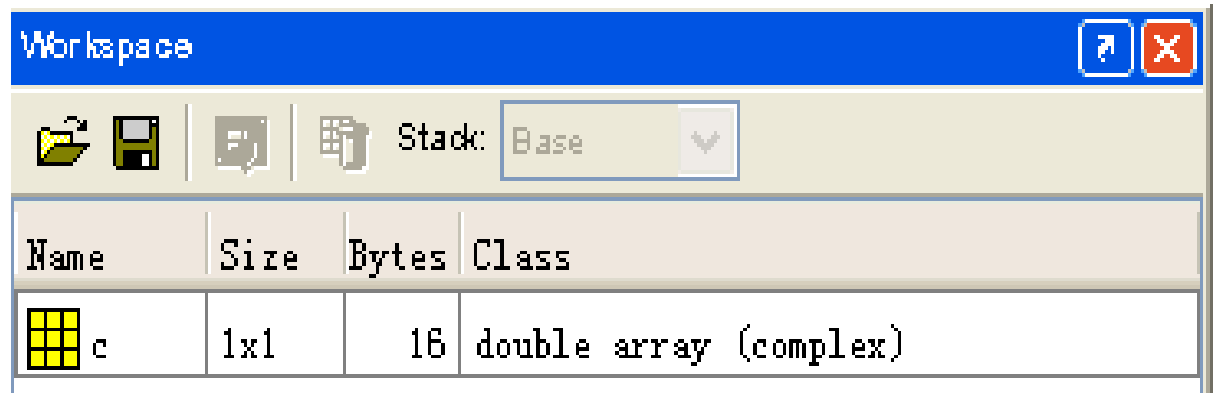
$$z = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(b/a)$$




Complex Data (Cont.)

- $c=4+3i$, or
- $c=4+3*i$



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Name	Size	Bytes	Class
 c	1x1	16	double array (complex)

>> help i

I Imaginary unit.

As the basic imaginary unit $\text{SQRT}(-1)$, i and j are used to enter complex numbers. For example, the expressions $3+2i$, $3+2*i$, $3+2j$, $3+2*j$ and $3+2*\text{sqrt}(-1)$ all have the same value.

Since both i and j are functions, they can be **overridden** and used as a variable. This permits you to use i or j as an index in FOR loops, etc.

See also J.

override 重写、覆盖 ₃



Using complex numbers with relational operators

- $c1 = a1 + b1*i; c2 = a2 + b2*i$

- $==$

$c1 = c2$ if and only if $a1 = a2$ and $b1 = b2$

- $\sim =$

$c1 \sim c2$ if $a1 \sim a2$ or $b1 \sim b2$

- $>, <, >=, <=$

Only the **real** parts of the numbers are compared



Complex Functions

- **conj(c):** $\text{conj}(c) = a - b*i$
- **real(c):** Returns the real part of c
- **imag(c):** Returns the imaginary part of c
- **isreal(c):** Returns true (1) if no element of c has an imaginary component
- **abs(c):** Returns the magnitude of c
- **angle(c):** Returns the angle of c

Complex Functions



```
>> help exp
```

```
EXP    Exponential.
```

EXP(X) is the exponential of the elements of X, **e to the X**.

For complex $Z=X+i*Y$, $\text{EXP}(Z)=\text{EXP}(X)*(\text{COS}(Y)+i*\text{SIN}(Y))$.

See also LOG, LOG10, EXPM, EXPINT.

Overloaded methods: help sym/exp.m

```
>> c=3+4i ➔ c = 3.0000 + 4.0000i
```

```
>> exp(c) ➔ ans = -13.1288 -15.2008i
```

```
>> exp(2i) ➔ ans = -0.4161 + 0.9093i
```

```
>> exp(-2i) ➔ ans = -0.4161 - 0.9093i
```

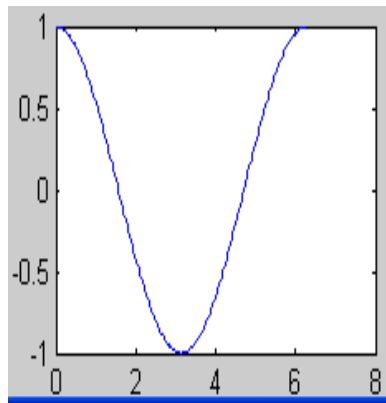
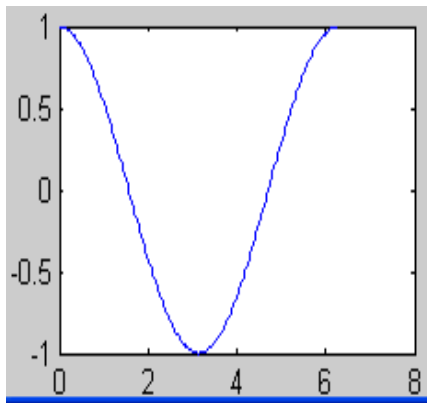
Plotting Complex Data

```
t: [0, 2*pi];  
y(t)=cos(t);
```

```
t=0:pi/100:2*pi;  
y=cos(t);  
plot(t,y);
```

```
t: [0, 2*pi];  
y(t)=cos(t)+ i*sin(t);
```

```
t=0:pi/100:2*pi;  
y=cos(t)+i*sin(t);  
plot(t,y)?
```

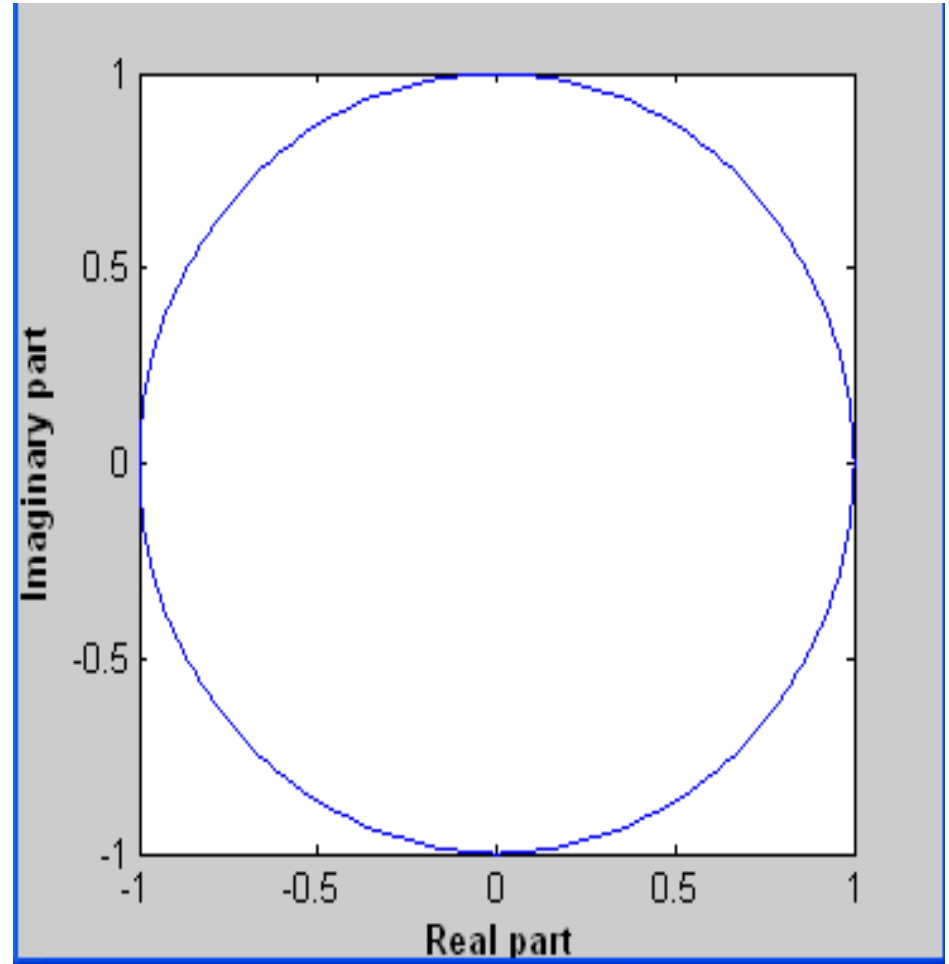


plot command:

Only the **real part** is plotted;
the imaginary part is ignored

Plotting Complex Data (Cont.)

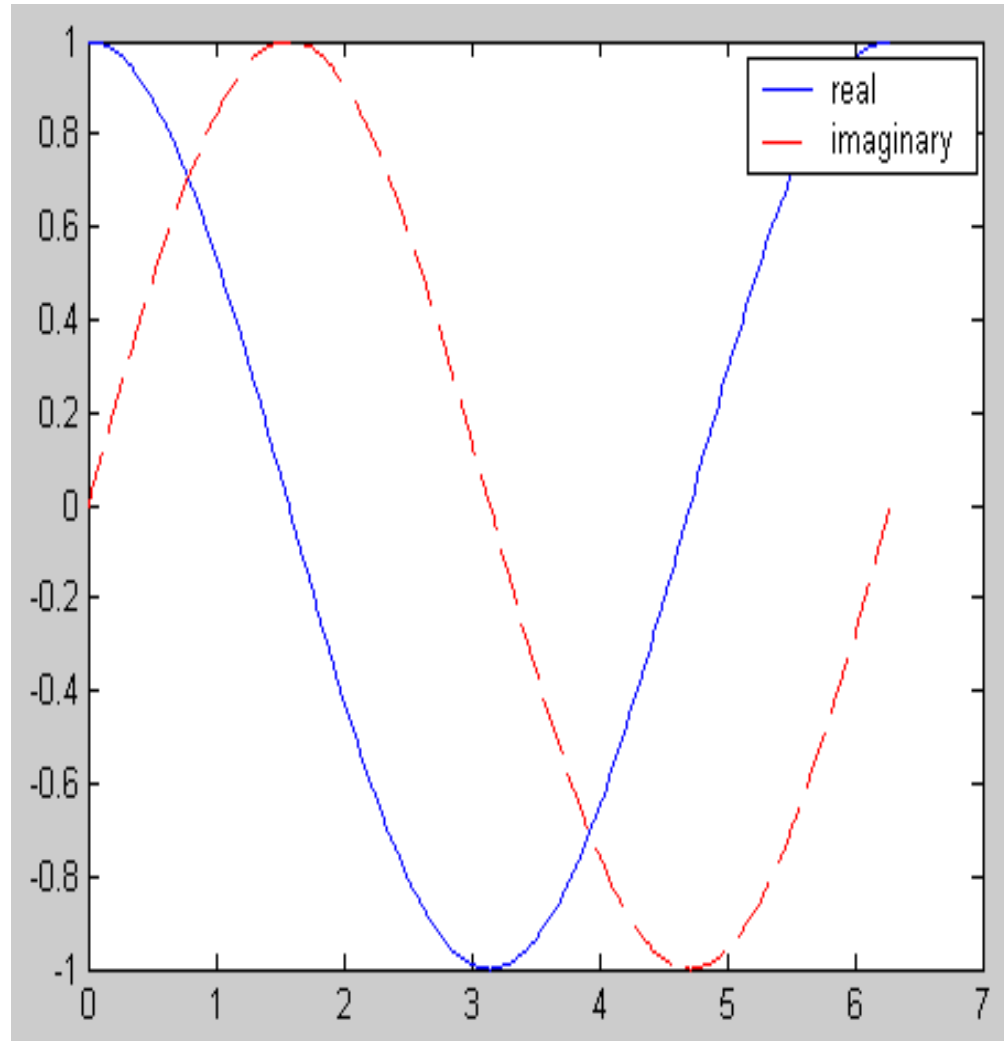
```
t: [0, 2*pi];  
y(t)=cos(t)+ i*sin(t);  
  
t=0:pi/100:2*pi;  
y=cos(t)+i*sin(t);  
plot(y);  
xlabel('\bf Real part');  
ylabel('\bf Imaginary part');
```



Plotting Complex Data (Cont.)

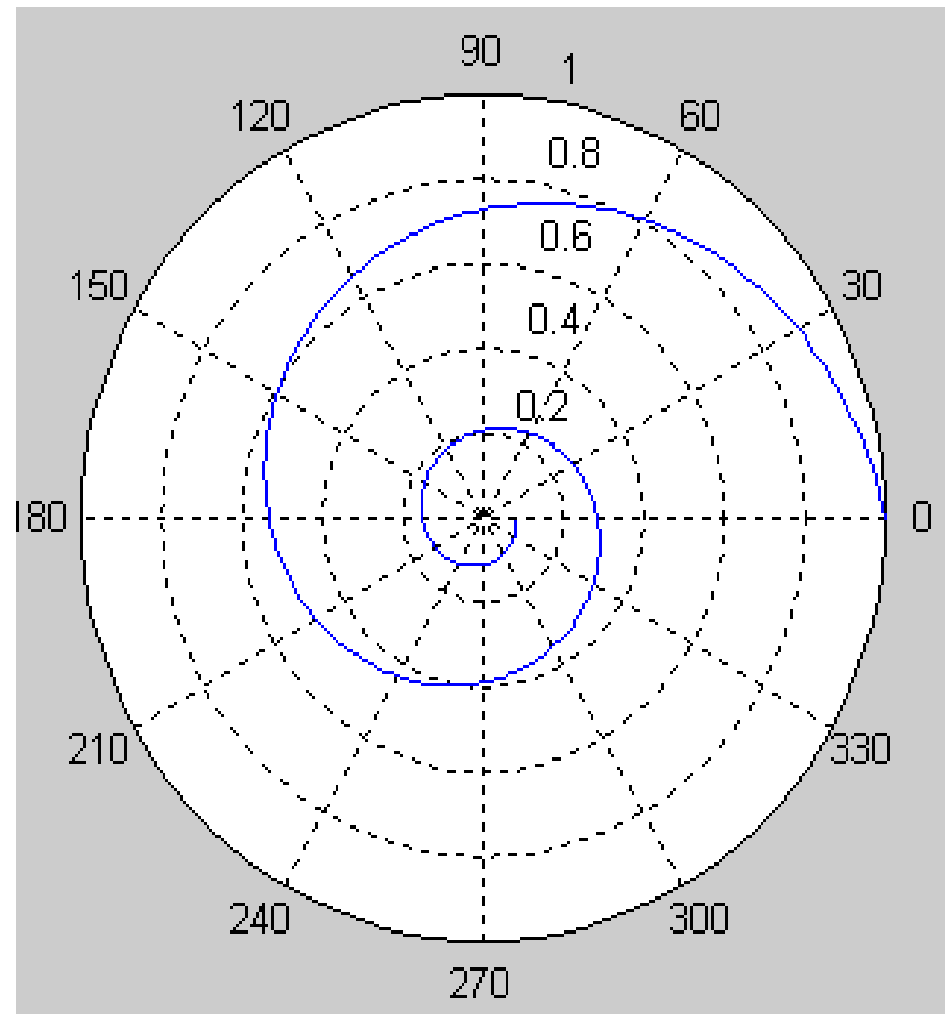
```
t: [0, 2*pi];  
y(t)=cos(t)+ i*sin(t);
```

```
t=0:pi/100:2*pi;  
y=cos(t)+i*sin(t);  
plot(t,real(y),'b-');  
hold on;  
plot(t,imag(y),'r--');  
legend('real','imaginary');
```



Plotting Complex Data (Cont.)

```
t=0:pi/100:4*pi;  
y=exp(-0.2*t).*(cos(t)+i*sin(t));  
polar(angle(y),abs(y));
```





String Functions

- `str='Matlab programming';`
- `str1=['Matlab programming', 'Stephen'];`
- `book=['Matlab programming';
 'Stephen'];`

Illegal! Same length is required!
- `book=char('Matlab programming', 'Stephen');`

String Functions (Cont.)

```
>> str1=['Matlab programming', 'Stephen']
```

```
str1 =
```

```
Matlab programmingStephen
```

```
>> book=['Matlab programming'; 'Stephen']
```

```
??? Error using ==> vertcat
```



```
All rows in the bracketed expression must have the same  
number of columns.
```

```
>> book=char('Matlab programming', 'Stephen')
```

```
book =
```

```
Matlab programming  
Stephen
```

Workspace

Name	Size	Bytes	Class
 book	2x18	72	char array
 str1	1x25	50	char array



```
>> help char
```

CHAR Create character array (string).

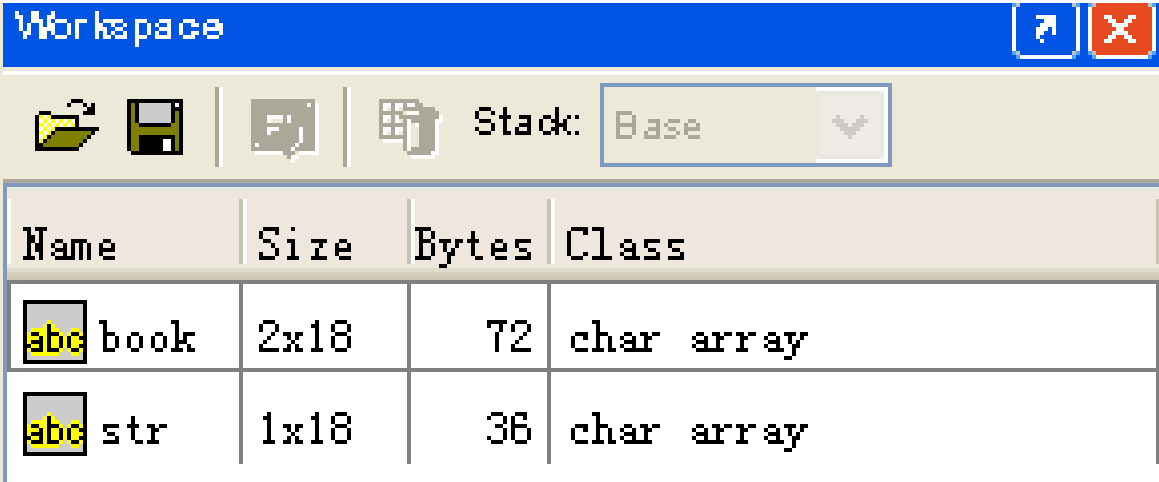
`S = CHAR(X)` converts the array `X` that contains positive integers representing character codes into a MATLAB character array (the first 127 codes are ASCII). The actual characters displayed depends on the character set encoding for a given font. The result for any elements of `X` outside the range from 0 to 65535 is not defined (and may vary from platform to platform). Use `DOUBLE` to convert a character array into its numeric codes.



`S = CHAR(C)`, when `C` is a cell array of strings, places each element of `C` into the rows of the character array `S`. Use `CELLSTR` to convert back.

`S = CHAR(T1,T2,T3,...)` forms the character array `S` containing the text strings `T1,T2,T3,...` as rows. Automatically pads each string with blanks in order to form a valid matrix. Each text parameter, `Ti`, can itself be a character array. This allows the creation of arbitrarily large character arrays. Empty strings are significant.

String Functions (Cont.)

- Each character is stored in two bytes of memory



Name	Size	Bytes	Class
 book	2x18	72	char array
 str	1x18	36	char array



String Conversion Functions

- Convert data from the **character** type to the **double** type using the **double** function
- `str='Matlab programming';`
- `x=double(str)`

`x =`

```
77    97   116   108   97   98   32   112   114
111   103   114    97   109   109   105   110
103
```



String Conversion Functions (Cont.)

- Convert data from the `double` type to the `character` type using the `char` function
- `z=char(x)`

`z =`

Matlab programming



Concatenating Strings

- `strcat` concatenates two or more strings horizontally, ignoring any trailing spaces
- `strcat('string 1 ', 'string 2');`
- `new_str=strcat('Matlab ', 'Programming')`

`new_str =`
`MatlabProgramming`



Concatenating Strings (Cont.)

```
>> help strcat
```

STRCAT Concatenate strings.

`T = STRCAT(S1,S2,S3,...)` horizontally concatenates the corresponding rows of the character arrays `S1`, `S2`, `S3` etc. All input arrays must have the same number of rows (or any can be a single string). When the inputs are all character arrays, the output is also a character array.

When any of the inputs is a cell array of strings, `STRCAT` returns a cell array of strings formed by concatenating the corresponding elements of `S1`, `S2`, etc. The inputs must all have the same size (or any can be a scalar). Any of the inputs can also be character arrays.

Trailing **spaces** in character array inputs are ignored and do not appear in the output. This is not true for inputs that are cell arrays of strings. Use the concatenation syntax `[S1 S2 S3 ...]` to preserve trailing spaces.



Concatenating Strings (Cont.)

- `strvcat` concatenates two or more strings vertically

```
>>new_str=strvcat('Matlab','Programming')
```

```
new_str =
```

```
Matlab
```

```
Programming
```



Comparing Strings

- **strcmp**: Determines if two strings are identical
- **strcmpi**: Determines if two strings are identical ignoring case
- **strncmp**: Determines if the first **n** characters of two strings are identical
- **strncmpi**: Determines if the first **n** characters of two strings are identical ignoring case



Comparing Strings (Cont.)

str1='hello'

str2='Hello'

str3='help'

result=strcmp(str1,str2); result=0

result=strcmpi(str1,str2); result=1

result=strcmpi(str1,str3,2) result=1



Comparing Strings (Cont.)

str1='hello'

str2='Hello'

str3='help'

■ == operator

>>result=(str1==str2)

result=

0 1 1 1 1



Searching/Replacing Characters within a String

- Function findstr returns the starting position of all occurrences of the shorter of two strings within a longer string
- Function strrep finds all occurrences of one string within another one, and **re**places them by a third string

请您思考、规划和做出函数/程序findvec，其returns the starting position of all occurrences of the shorter of two vectors（如[1,3,5]） within a longer vector（如[0,9,8,1,3,5,2,4,6,1,3,5,2,4,7,1,3,3,5,5,6,7,1,3,5]）。



Searching/Replacing Characters within a String (Cont.)

- Function `strrep` finds all occurrences of one string within another one, and replaces them by a third string
- `strrep(str,searched_str,replaced_str)`
- `book='Matlab programming';
result=strrep(book,'ab','cd')
'Matlcd programming'`



Uppercase and Lowercase Conversion

- `upper()`, `lower()`
- `book='Matlab programming'`
`>> result=upper(book)`

`result =`

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Uppercase and Lowercase Conversion (Cont.)

```
>> result=lower(book)
```

```
result =
```

```
matlab programming
```

Numeric-to-String Conversions

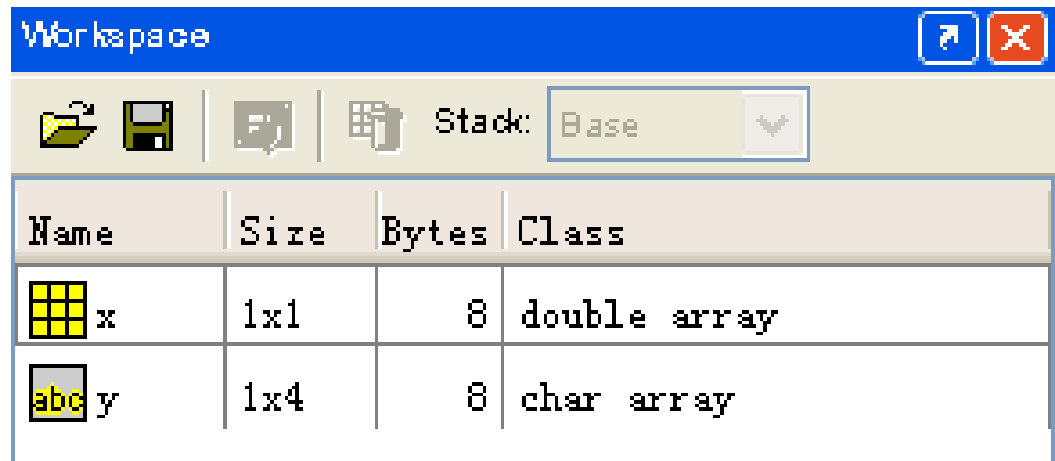
- `int2str()` converts an integer to a string array

```
x=5618;
```



```
>> y=int2str(x)
```

```
y =
```

```
5618
```



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Name	Size	Bytes	Class
 x	1x1	8	double array
 y	1x4	8	char array

眼见相同，其实不同（类型不同）



Numeric-to-String Conversions (Cont.)

- `T=num2str (X)` converts the matrix `X` into a string representation `T` with about 4 digits and an exponent if required.

```
>> p=num2str(pi)
```

```
p =
```

```
3.1416
```



Numeric-to-String Conversions (Cont.)

- `T = num2str(X,N)` converts the matrix `X` into a string representation with a maximum `N` digits of precision.

```
>> p=num2str(pi,10)
```

```
p =
```

```
3.141592654
```

不会就自己查，还不会就同学讨论，再不会就问老师...



>> `help num2str`

NUM2STR Convert number to string.

`T = NUM2STR(X)` converts the matrix `X` into a string representation `T` with about 4 digits and an exponent if required. This is useful for labeling plots with the `TITLE`, `XLABEL`, `YLABEL`, and `TEXT` commands.

`T = NUM2STR(X,N)` converts the matrix `X` into a string representation with a maximum `N` digits of precision. The default number of digits is based on the magnitude of the elements of `X`.

`T = NUM2STR(X,FORMAT)` uses the format string `FORMAT` (see `SPRINTF` for details).

Example: `num2str(randn(2,2),3)` produces the string matrix

`'-0.433 0.125'`

`' -1.67 0.288'`



Numeric-to-String Conversions (Cont.)

? cf. decimal point, decimal digits

- `dec2bin`: Convert decimal integer to binary string
- `bin2dec`: Convert binary string to decimal integer
- `dec2hex`: Convert decimal integer to hexadecimal string
- `hex2dec`: Convert hexadecimal string to decimal integer



Numeric-to-String Conversions (Cont.)

```
>> x=5618;
```

```
>> result=dec2bin(x)
```

```
result =
```

```
1010111110010
```




Numeric-to-String Conversions (Cont.)

```
>> result=dec2hex(x)
```

```
result =
```

```
15F2
```



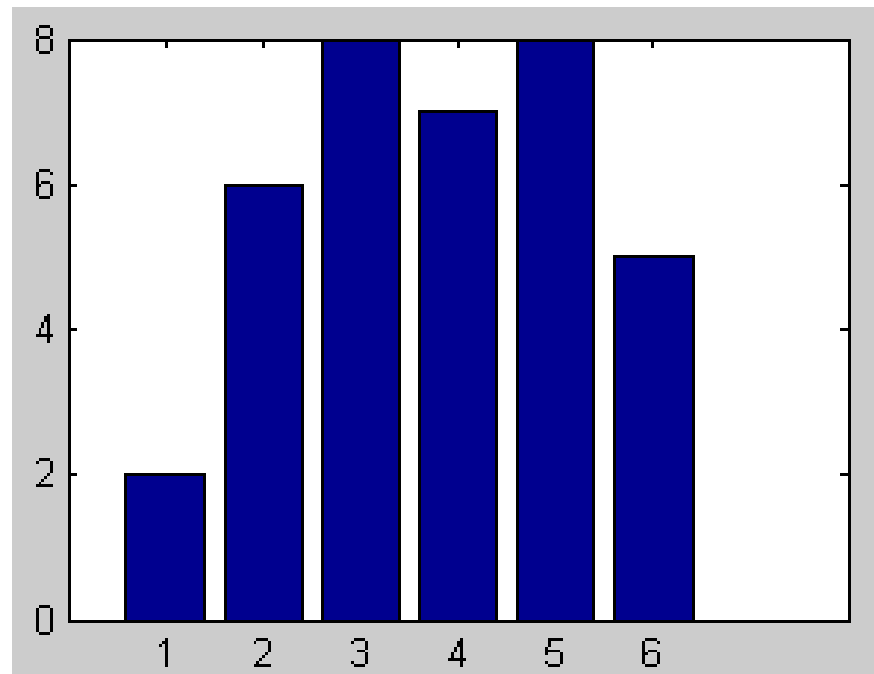
My simple testing

```
>> dec2bin(0.88)          ans = 0
>> dec2bin(-1)           ans = /
>> dec2bin(-10)          ans = 0//0
>> dec2bin(-100)         ans = 00///00
>> dec2bin(100)          ans = 1100100
>> dec2hex(1.011)
??? Error using ==> reshape
To RESHAPE the number of elements must not change.
Error in ==> C:\MATLAB6p1\toolbox\matlab\strfun\...
On line 41 ==> h = reshape(h,n,length(d))';
>> dec2hex(0.011)
??? Error using ==> reshape
```

Additional two-dimensional plots

- `bar(x,y)`: draws y as vertical bars at the positions of x . The vector x must be monotonically increasing or decreasing.

```
>> x=[1 2 3 4 5 6];  
>> y=[2 6 8 7 8 5];  
>> bar(x,y);
```





Additional Two-dimensional plots (Cont.)

- `bar(x,y,width)` specifies the width of the bars. Values of `width > 1`, produce overlapped bars. The default value is `width=0.8`.

```
>> x=[1 2 1 4 7 5];
```

```
>> y=[2 6 8 7 8 5];
```

```
>> bar(x,y)
```

```
??? Error using ==> set
```

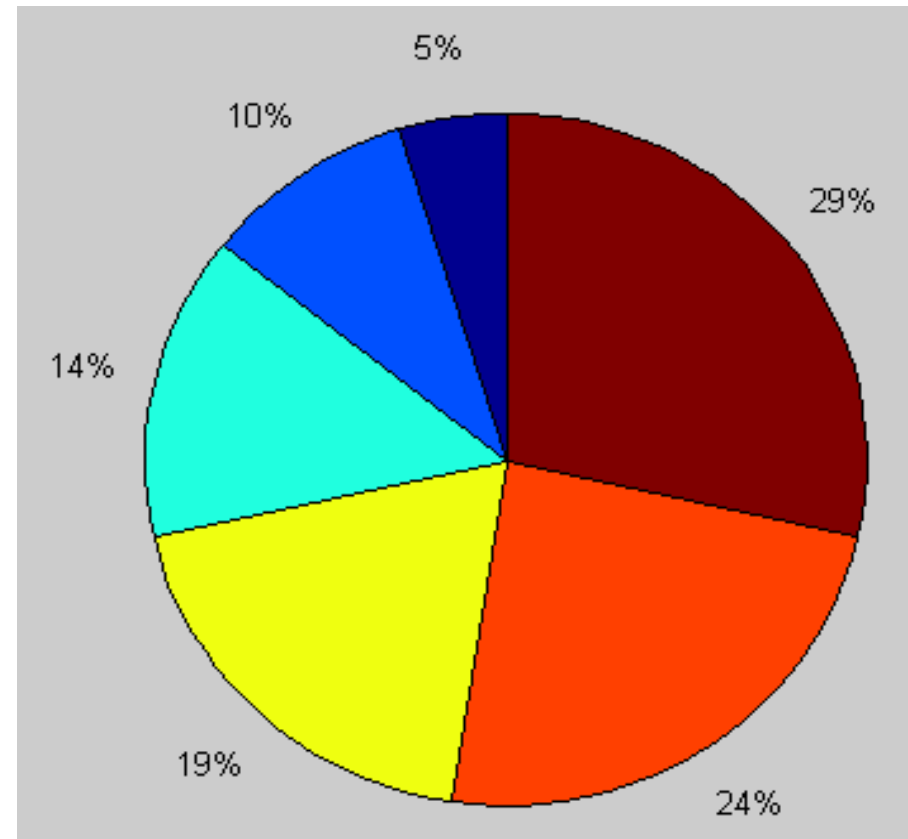
Values must be monotonically increasing.

Additional Two-dimensional plots (Cont.)

- `pie(x)`: draws a pie plot of the data in the vector `x`. The values in `x` are normalized via $x/\text{sum}(x)$ to determine the area of each slice of pie.

```
>> x=[1 2 3 4 5 6];
```

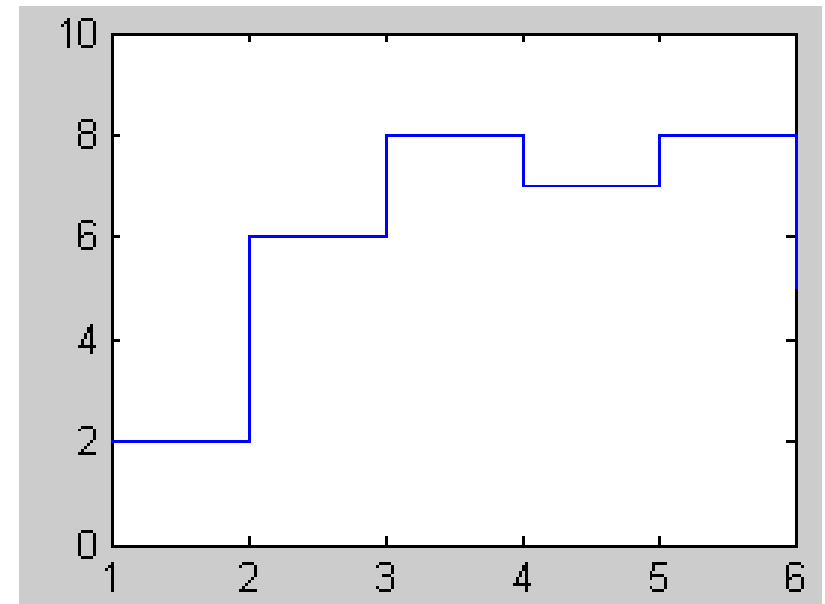
```
>> pie(x);
```



Additional Two-dimensional plots (Cont.)

- `stairs(x,y)`: draws a stairstep graph of the elements in vector `y` at the locations specified in `x`. The `x`-values must be in **ascending order** and **evenly spaced**

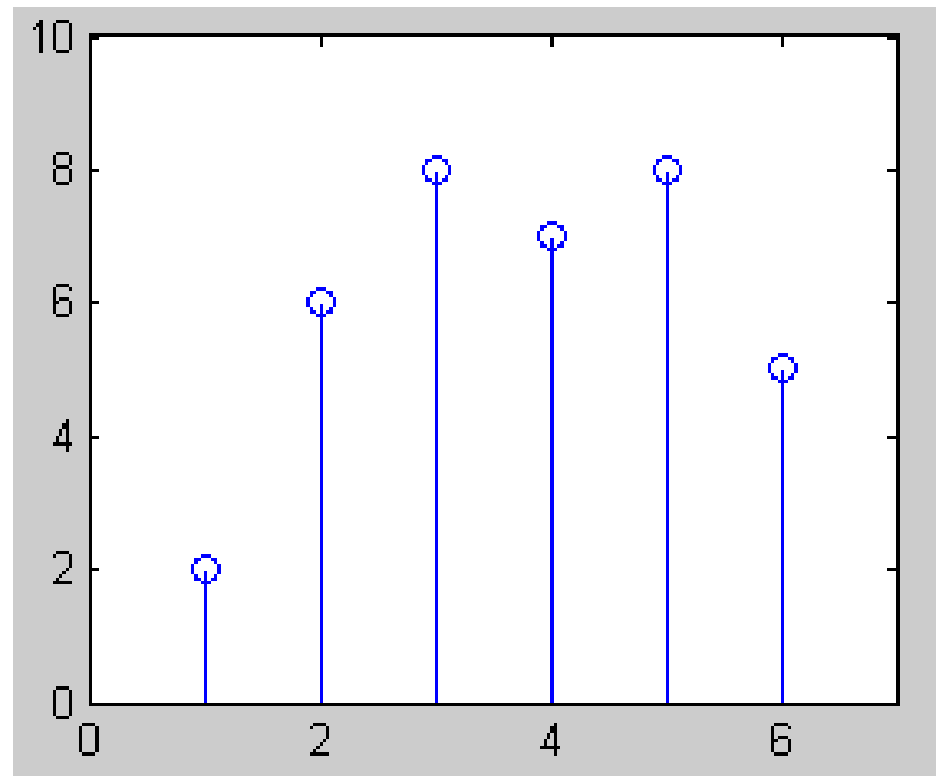
```
>> x=[1 2 3 4 5 6];  
>> y=[2 6 8 7 8 5];  
>> stairs(x,y);
```



Additional Two-dimensional plots (Cont.)

- `stem(x,y)`: plots the data sequence `y` as stems from the `x` axis terminated with circles for the data value

```
>> x=[1 2 3 4 5 6];  
>> y=[2 6 8 7 8 5];  
>> stem(x,y);
```



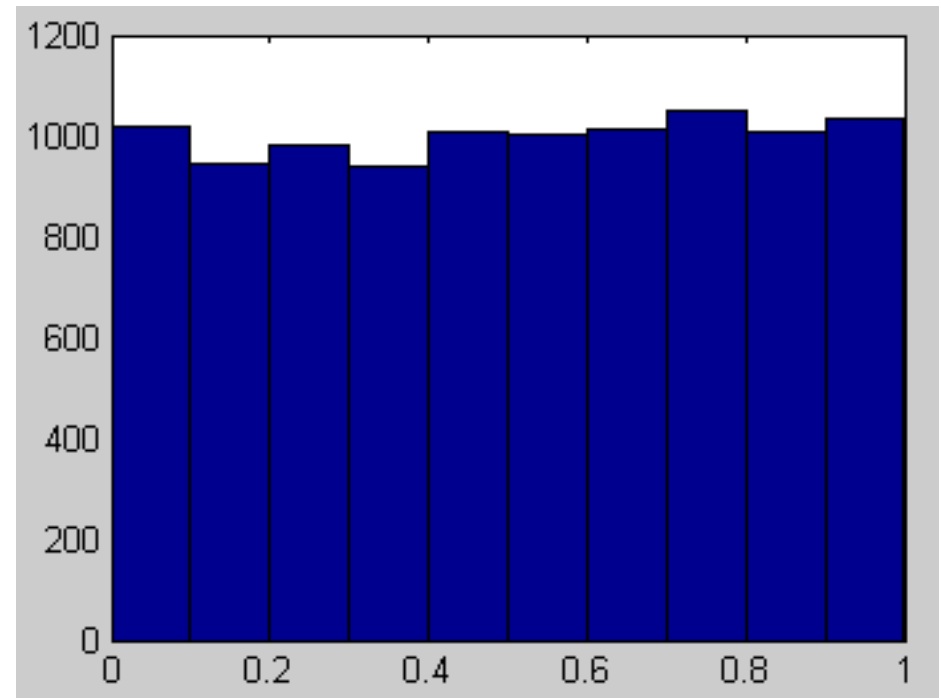
Additional Two-dimensional plots (Cont.)

- `hist(y)`: produces a **hist**ogram bar plot of the results with 10 equally spaced bins

```
>> y=rand(10000,1);
```

```
>> hist(y);
```

- `hist(y,nbins)`



dust bin 垃圾箱



Three-dimensional Plots

- $z=f(x,y);$
- `plot3(x,y,z);`

$$z(x, y) = e^{-0.5[x^2 + 0.5(x-y)^2]}$$

$$x \in [-4,4], y \in [-4,4]$$



Three-dimensional Plots (Cont.)

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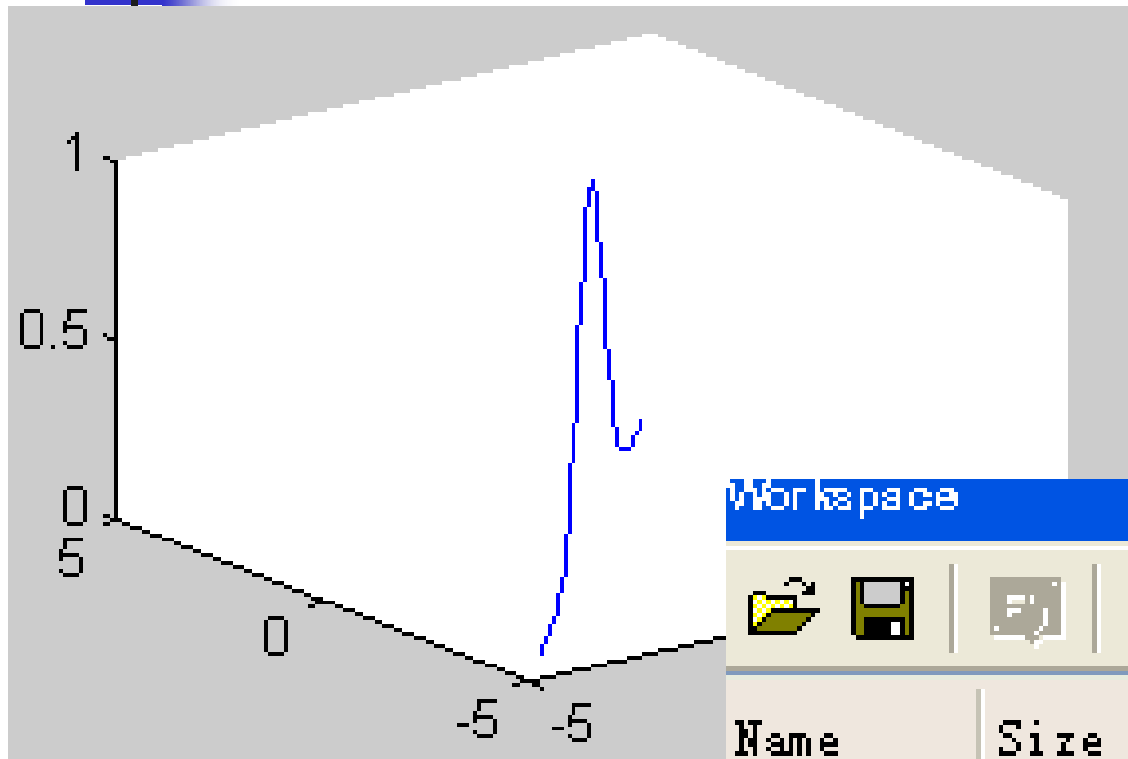
```
x=-4:0.2:4;
```

```
y=-4:0.2:4;
```

```
z=exp(-0.5*(x.*x+0.5*(x-y).^2));
```

```
plot3(x,y,z);
```

Three-dimensional Plots (Cont.)



```
[x1,x2,...,x41];  
[y1,y2,...,y41];  
[z1,z2,...,z41];
```

Workspace



Stack: Base



Name

Size

Bytes

Class



x

1x41

328

double array



y

1x41

328

double array



z

1x41

328

double array

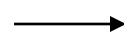


Three-dimensional Plots (Cont.)

```
y=y1  
x=[x1,x2,...,xn];  
z=[z11,z12,...,z1n];
```

```
y=y2  
x=[x1,x2,...,xn];  
z=[z21,z22,...,z2n];  
...  
y=ym  
x=[x1,x2,...,xn];  
z=[zm1,zm2,...,zmn];
```

遍历思想



```
X=[x1,x2,...,xn  
    x1,x2,...,xn  
    ...  
    x1,x2,...,xn];
```

```
Y=[y1,y1,...,y1  
    y2,y2,...,y2  
    ...  
    ym,ym,...,ym];  
Z=[z11,z12,...,z1n  
    z21,z22,...,z2n  
    ...  
    zm1,zm2,...,zmn];
```

有点“绕脑”

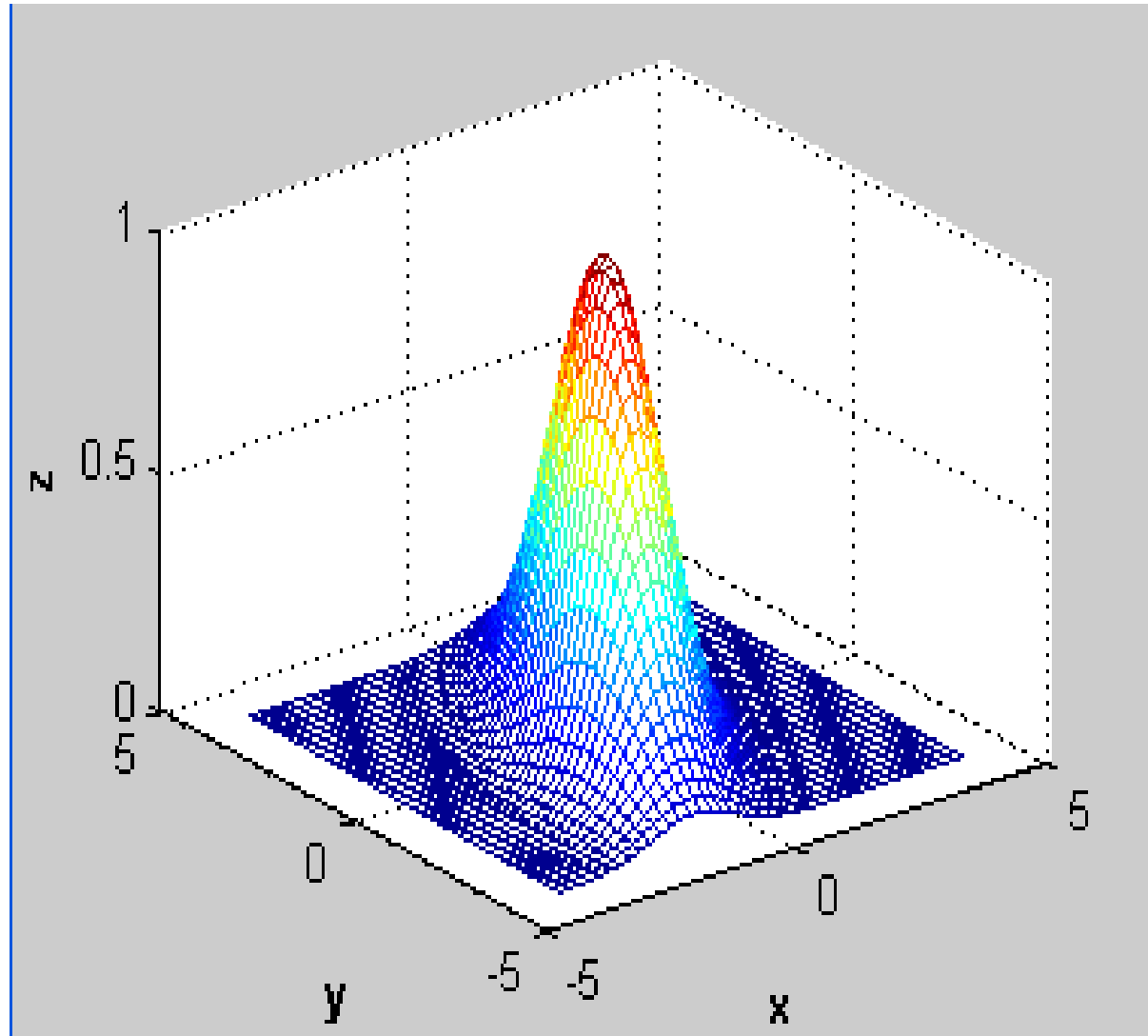
Three-dimensional Plots (Cont.)

```
mesh(X,Y,Z);  
surf(X,Y,Z);  
contour(X,Y,Z);
```

Mesh 网状

Surface 表面

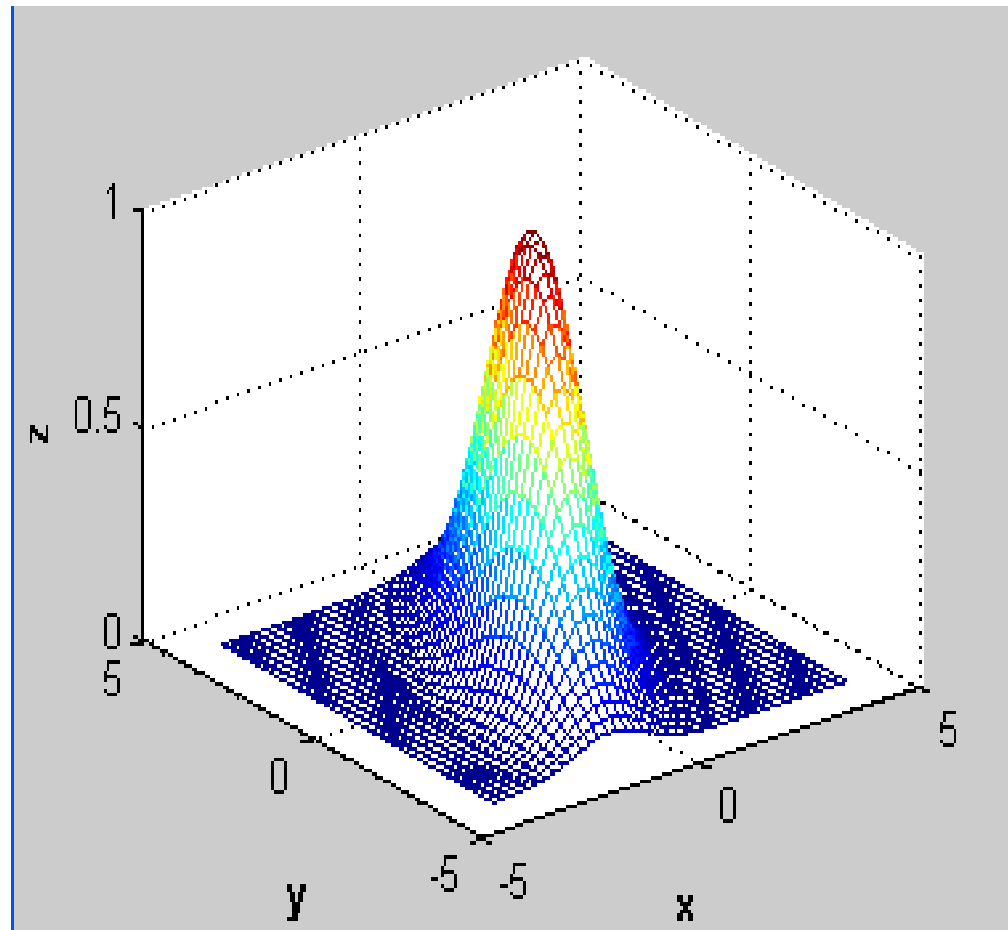
Contour 等高线



Three-dimensional Plots (Cont.)

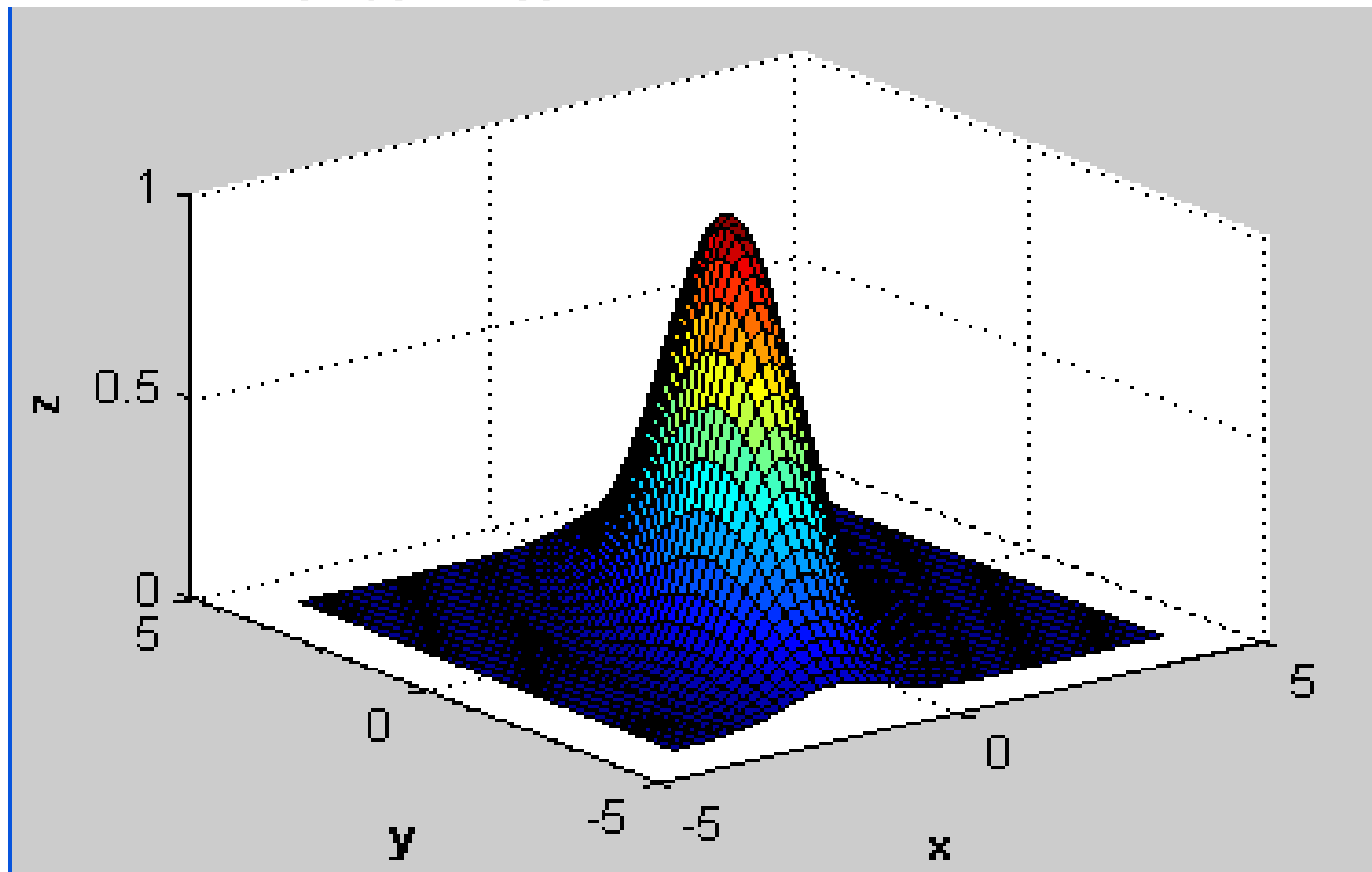
```
[x y]=meshgrid(-4:0.2:4,-4:0.2:4);  
z=exp(-0.5*(x.*x+0.5*(x-y).^2));  
mesh(x,y,z);  
xlabel('\bfx');  
ylabel('\bfy');  
zlabel('\bfz');
```

```
>> [x y]=meshgrid(1:3,4:6);  
>> x  
x =  
  
    1    2    3  
    1    2    3  
    1    2    3  
  
>> y  
y =  
  
    4    4    4  
    5    5    5  
    6    6    6
```



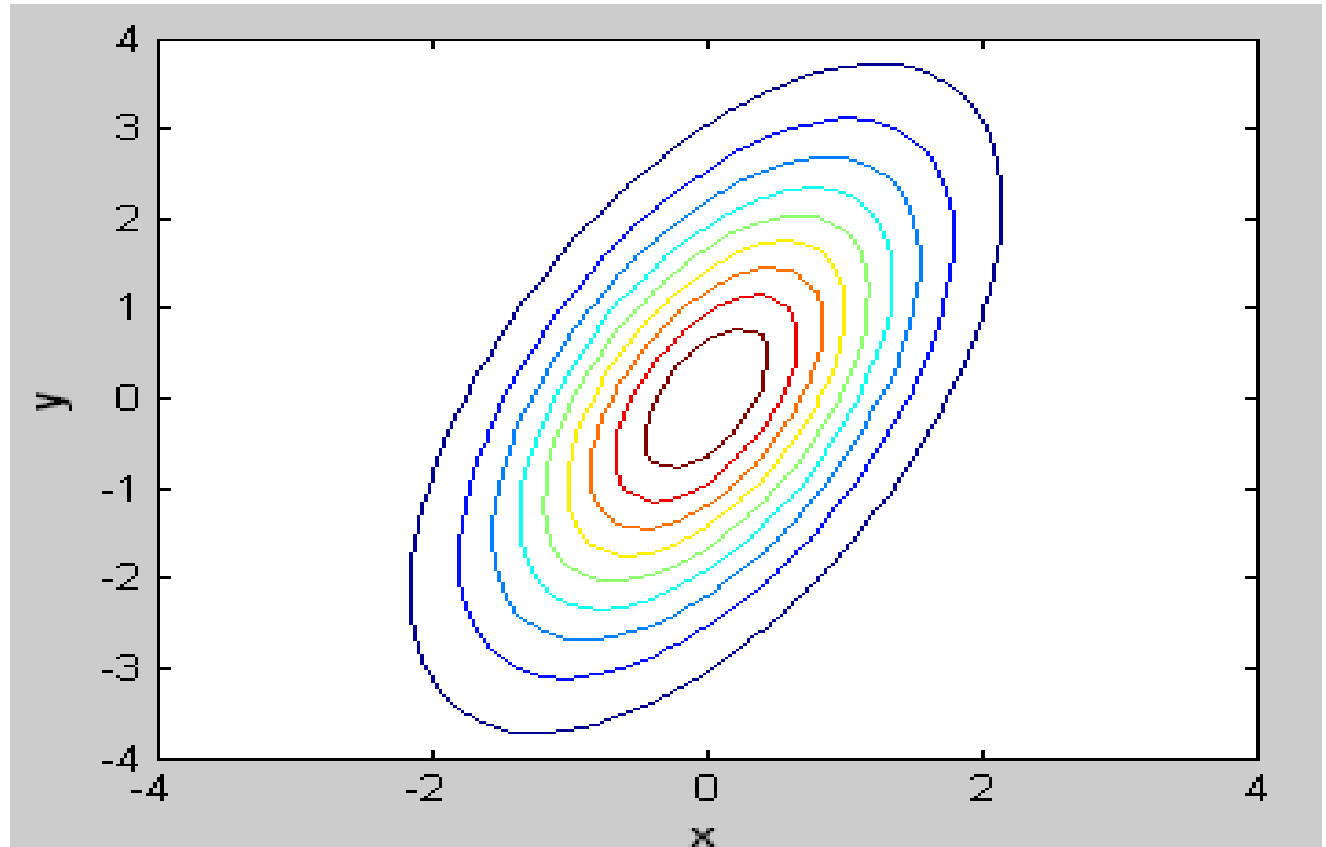
Three-dimensional Plots (Cont.)

```
[x y]=meshgrid(-4:0.2:4,-4:0.2:4);  
z=exp(-0.5*(x.*x+0.5*(x-y).^2));  
surf(x,y,z);  
xlabel('\bf x');  
ylabel('\bf y');  
zlabel('\bf z');
```



Three-dimensional Plots (Cont.)

```
[x y]=meshgrid(-4:0.2:4,-4:0.2:4);  
z=exp(-0.5*(x.*x+0.5*(x-y).^2));  
contour(x,y,z);  
xlabel('\bfx');  
ylabel('\bfy');
```





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