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Introduction to MATLAB

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- II. Basic Matrix Operations
- III. Plots that Support Tables
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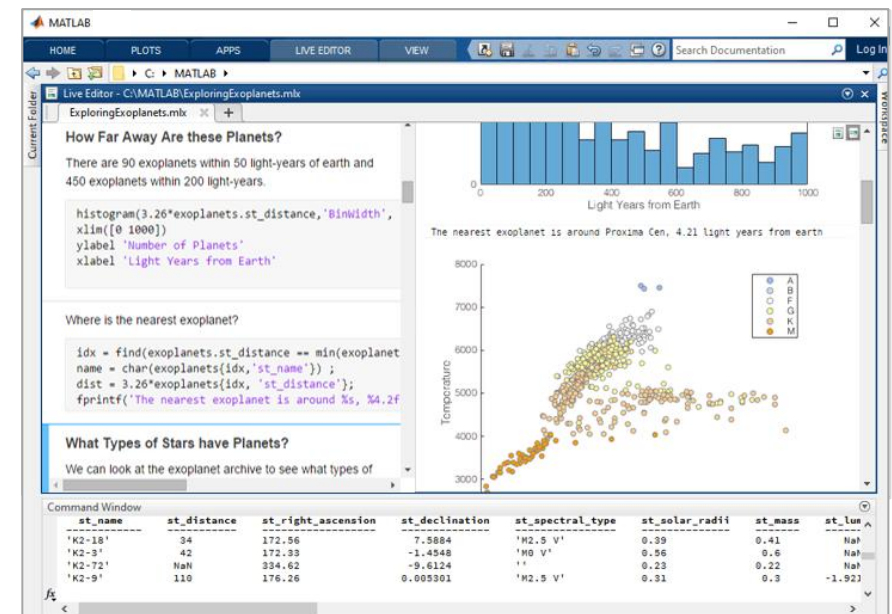
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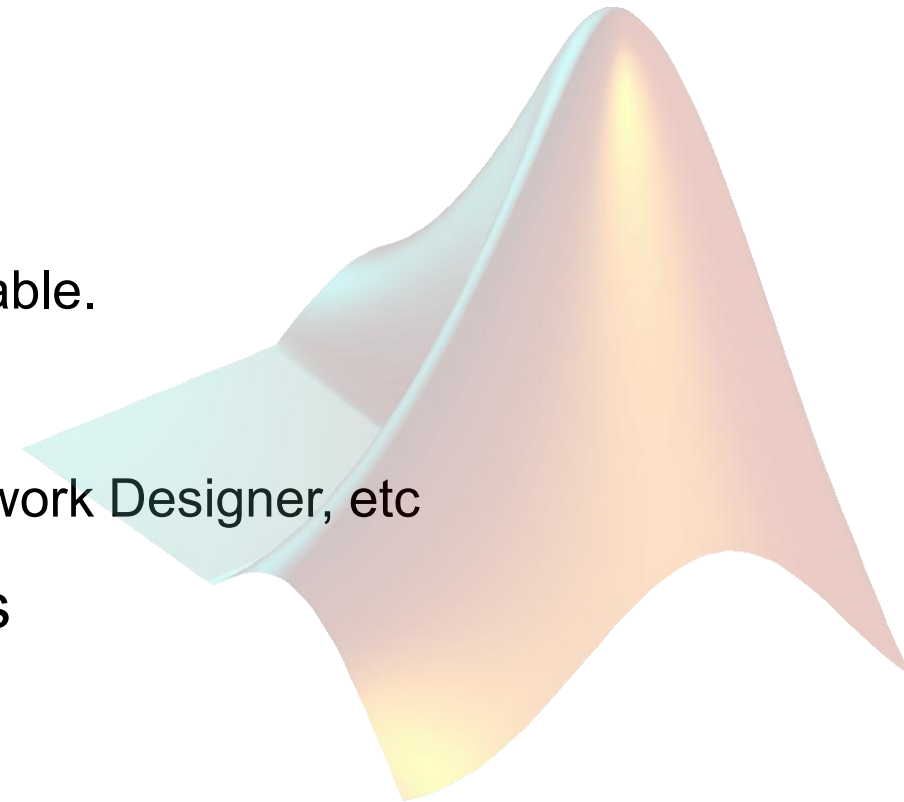
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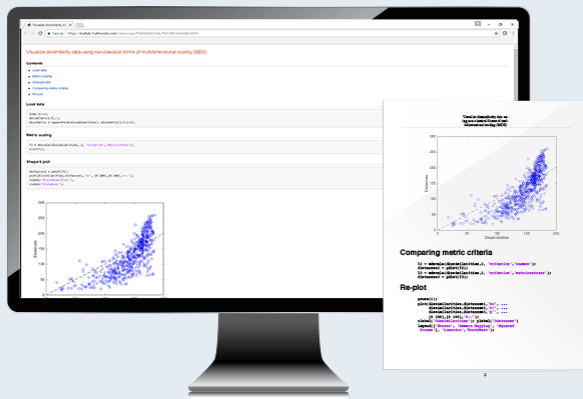
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- Extremely easy to code
 - Can be used for rapid prototyping and trying out ideas before production
- MATLAB speaks Math
 - Solve equations like you do on your book.
- Specially designed for scientists and engineers
 - Function names and signatures are familiar and memorable.
- Inbuilt apps
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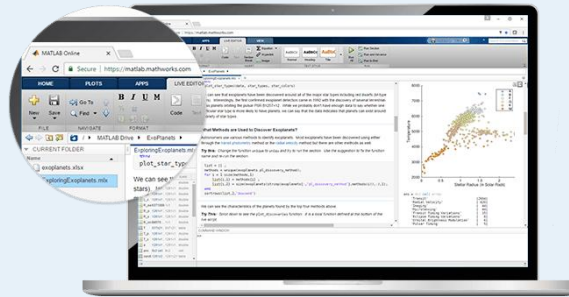
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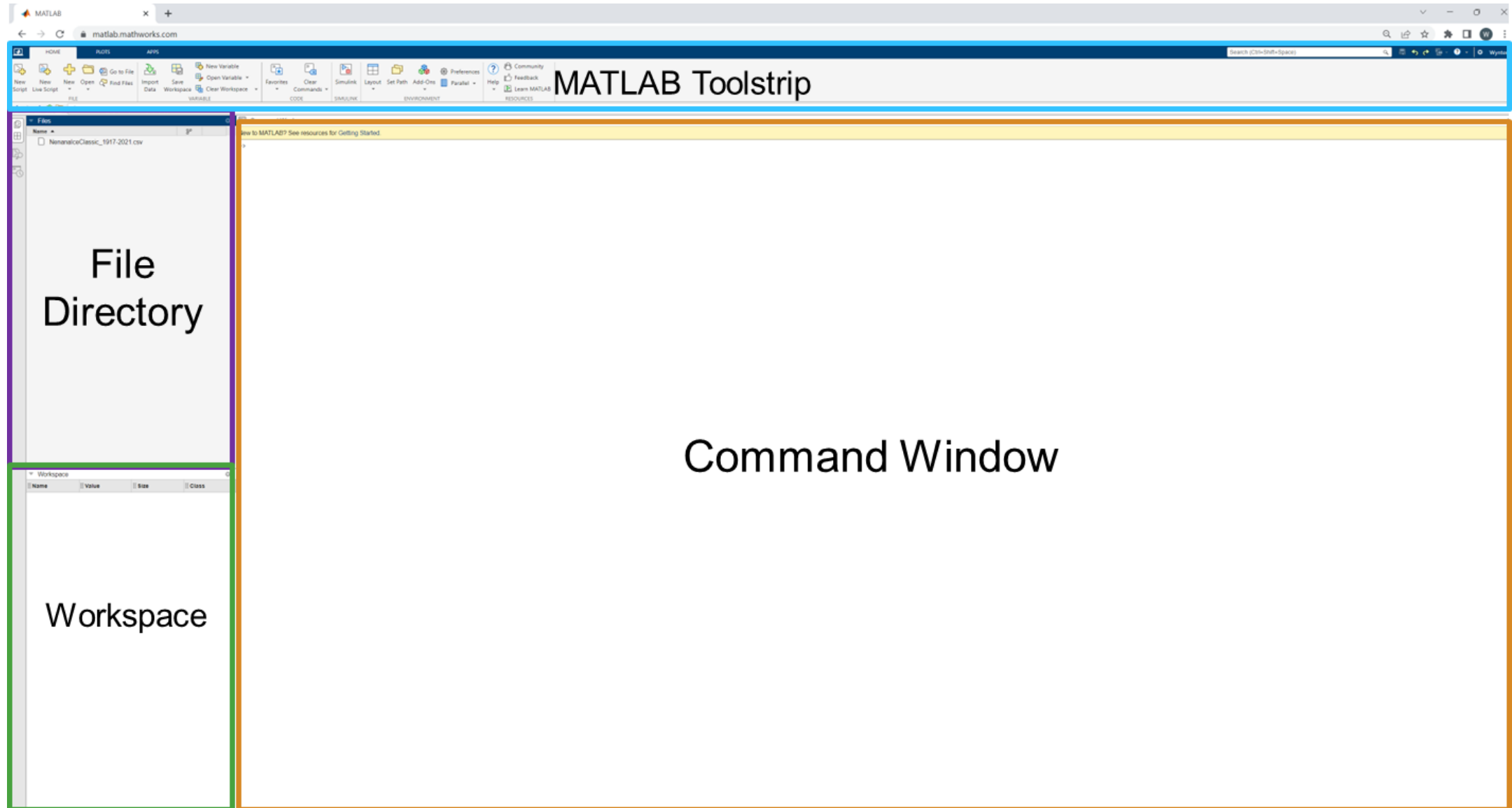


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MATLAB Environment Introduction



Exercise 1: Basic Matrix Operations

Basic Matrix Operations

This example shows basic techniques and functions for working with matrices in the MATLAB® language.

First, let's create a simple vector with 9 elements called `a`.

```
a = [1 2 3 4 6 4 3 4 5]
```

```
a = 1×9
```

```
1    2    3    4    6    4    3    4    5
```

Now let's add 2 to each element of our vector, `a`, and store the result in a new vector.

Notice how MATLAB requires no special handling of vector or matrix math.

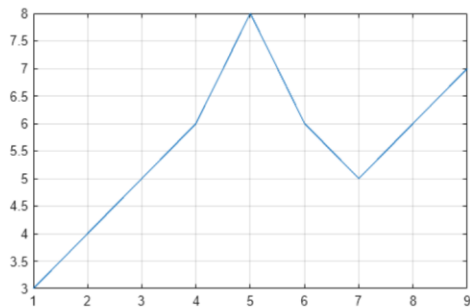
```
b = a + 2
```

```
b = 1×9
```

```
3    4    5    6    8    6    5    6    7
```

Creating graphs in MATLAB is as easy as one command. Let's plot the result of our vector addition with grid lines.

```
plot(b)  
grid on
```



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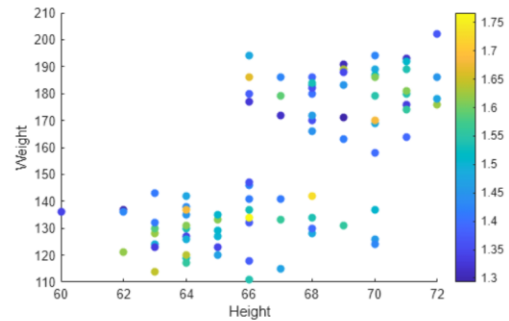
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Exercise 2: Plotting with Tabular Data

```
% Vary the color by blood pressure ratio
bpratio = tbl.Systolic./tbl.Diastolic;
s.CData = bpratio;

% Add a colorbar
colorbar
```

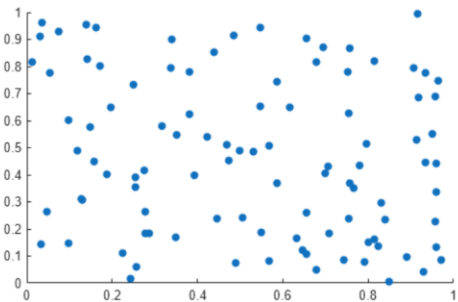
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You can also plot vectors or matrices, and modify the plot using table variables. After you create the plot, set the `SourceTable` property, and then set the table-related properties that you want. Table-related properties typically have the word `Variable` in their names. For example, plot two vectors of 100 random numbers.

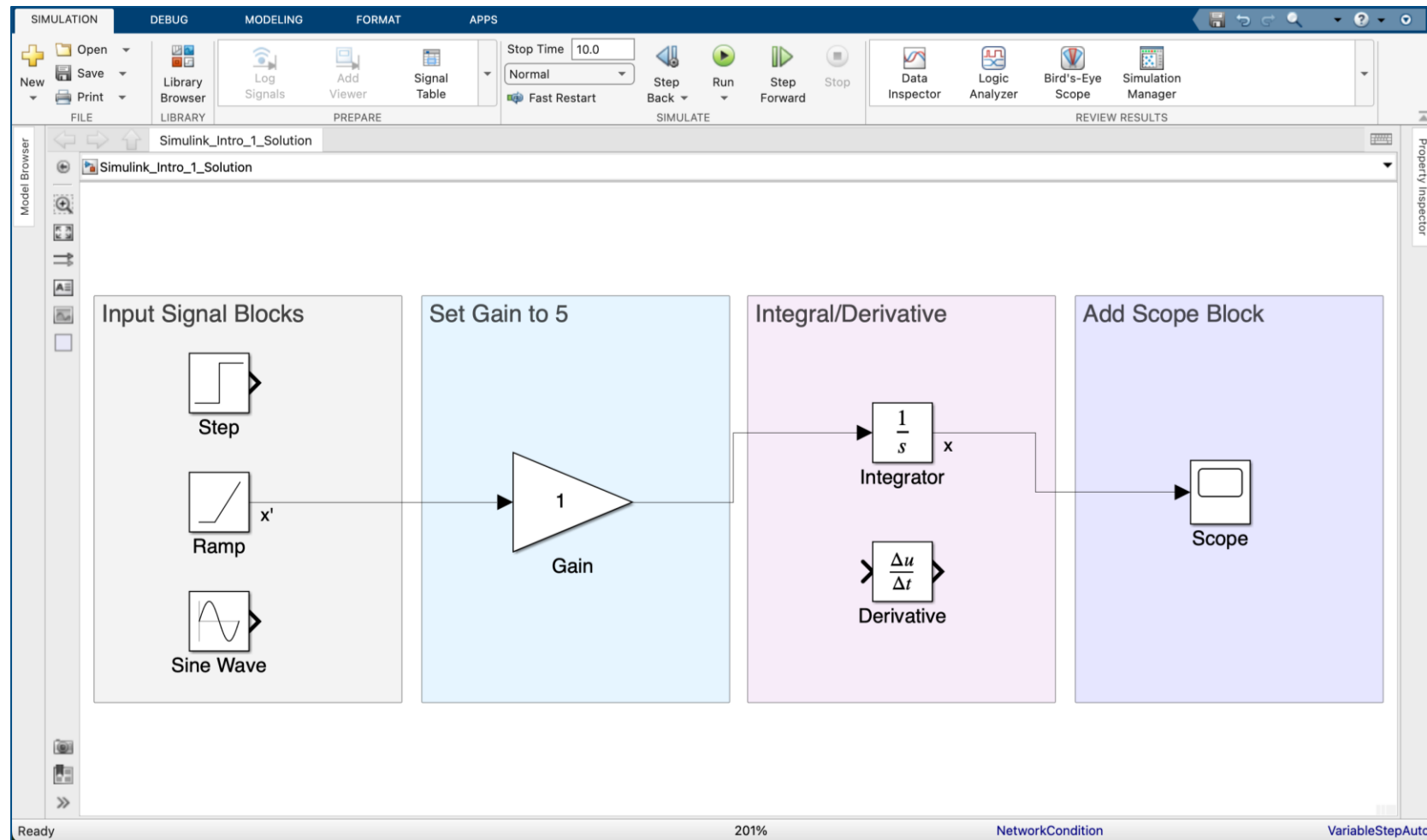
```
x = rand(100,1);
y = rand(100,1);
s = scatter(x,y,"filled");
```

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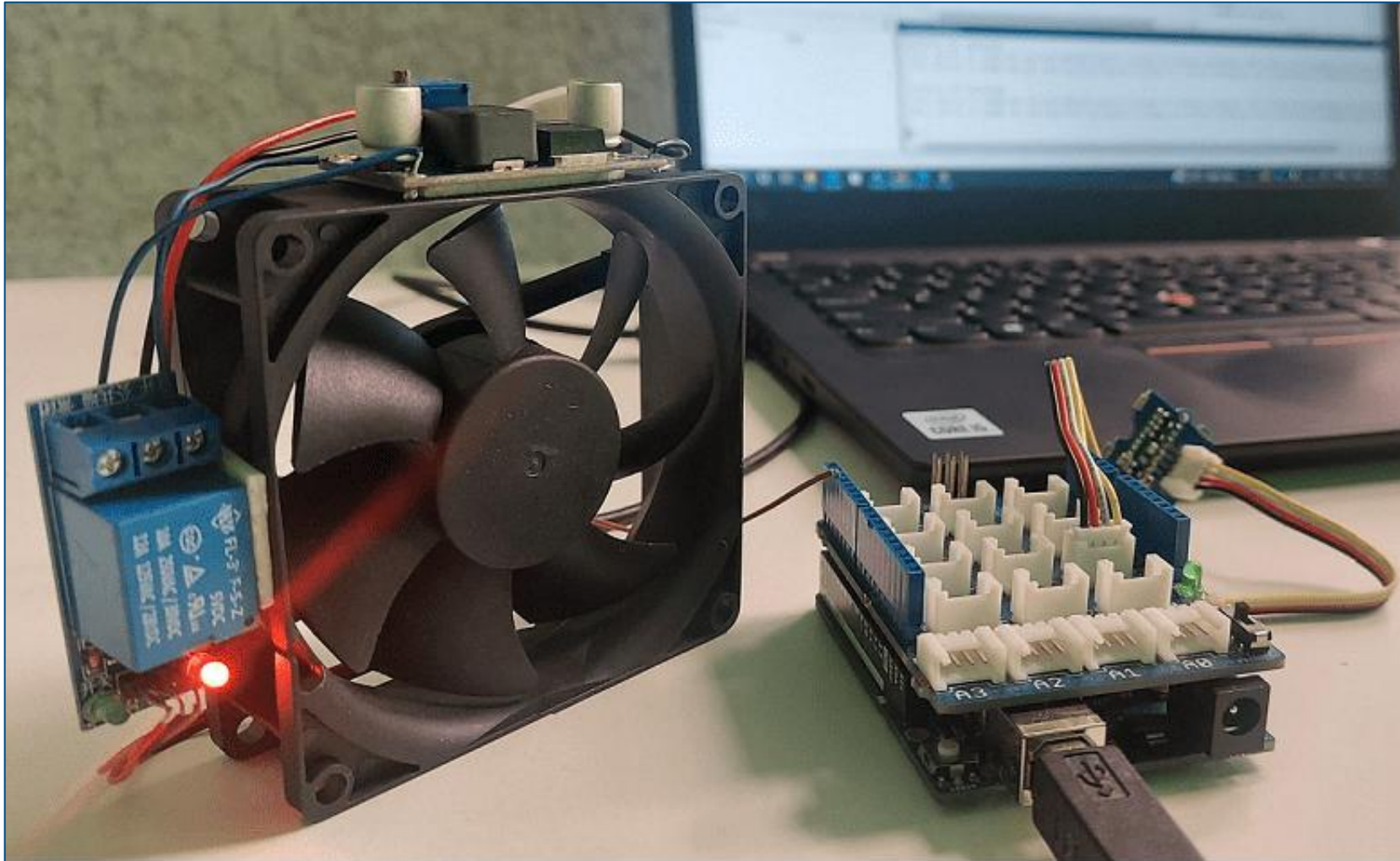


Change the marker colors so that they vary according to the values in a table variable. Read `patients.xls` as the table `tbl`. Set the `SourceTable` property and vary the marker colors according to the `Age` variable in the table. Because the table has 100 rows, and the plot has 100 points, the `Age` variable is compatible with the plot. Then, add a colorbar to the plot.

Exercise 3: What is Simulink?



Demo: Arduino Control



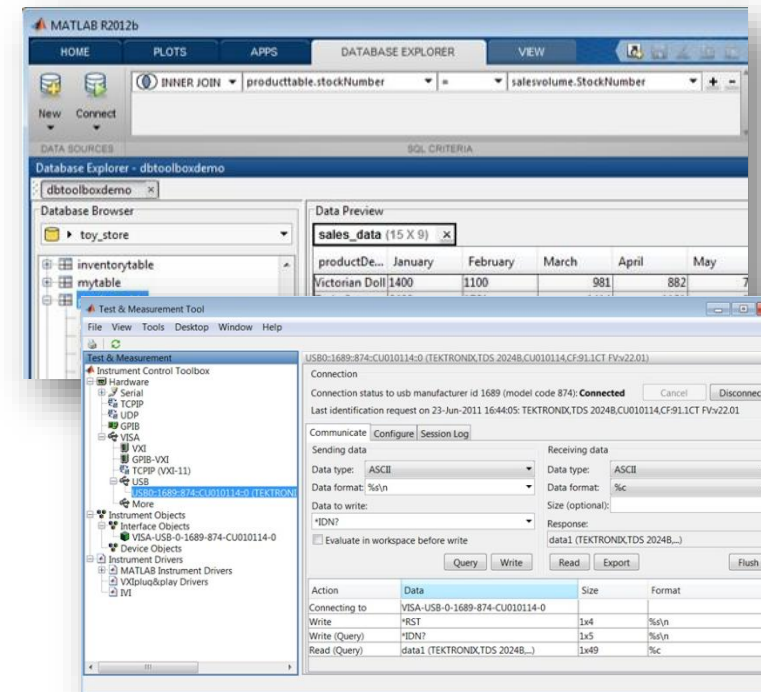
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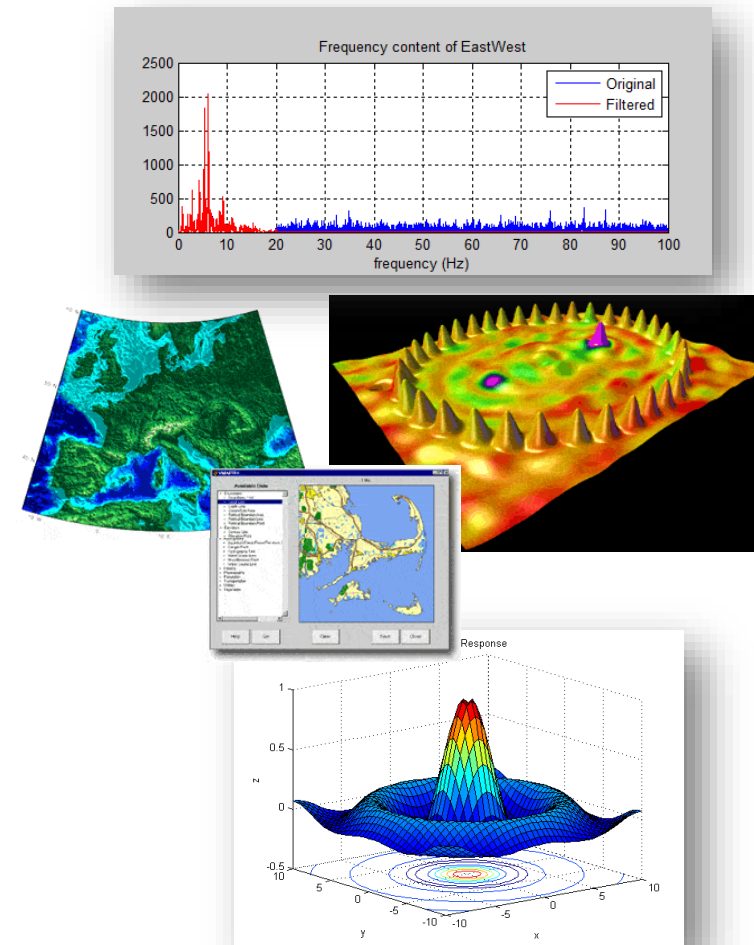
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- Data analysis
 - Manipulate, preprocess, and manage data
 - Fast, accurate analysis with pre-built math and engineering functions
- Visualization
 - Built in graphics functions for engineering and science (2D, 3D, volume visualization)
 - Interactive tools to annotate and customize graphics



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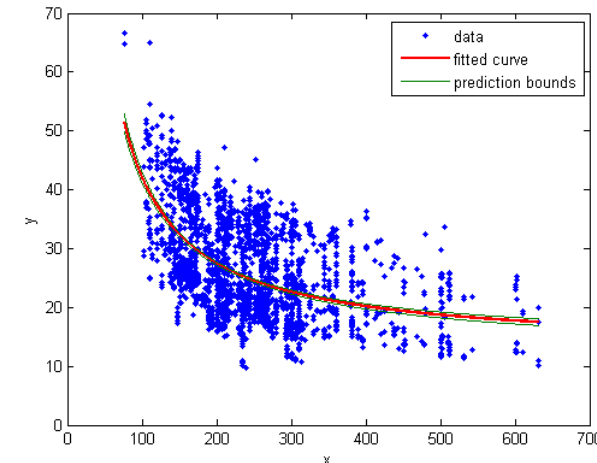
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- Package as an app
- Deploy applications to other environments

Plot Data and Model

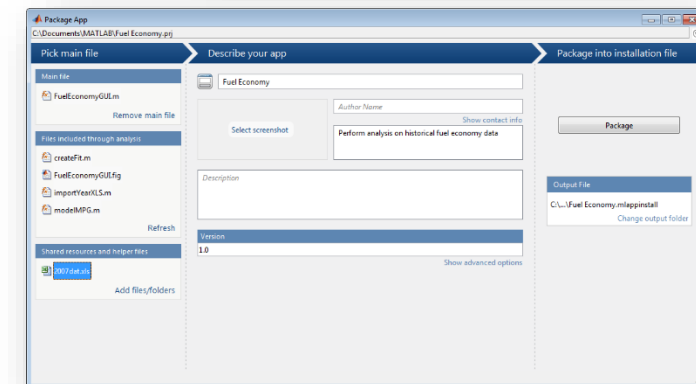
The result from the Curve Fitting Toolbox has a `plot` method for displaying the result graphically. We can choose to display the prediction bounds for the fit.

```
figure;  
hh = plot(cf, 'r', carDataDS.RatedHP, carDataDS.MPG, 'predfunc', 0.95);  
set(hh(2), 'LineWidth', 2);  
set(hh(3:4), 'LineStyle', '-', 'Color', [0 .5 0]);
```



Packaging and Sharing MATLAB Apps

- MATLAB apps
 - Interactive applications to perform technical computing tasks
 - Displayed in apps gallery
- Included in many MATLAB products
- Package your own app
 - Create single file for distribution and installation into gallery
 - Packaging tool:
 - Automatically includes all necessary files
 - Documents required products



Examples of MathWorks Supported Hardware



Arduino



Lego EV3



Raspberry Pi



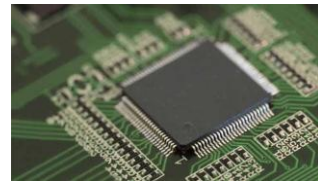
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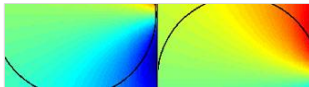
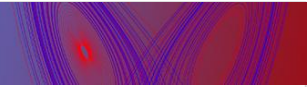
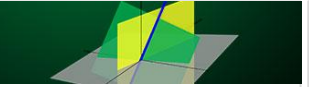

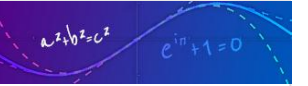
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