Introduction to MATLAB

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Outline

- Basics: How to get started, declare variables, basic commands, for loops, if statements
- Functions: What are functions; How to create and execute simple functions
- Solving ODEs: how to solve (a) 1 ODE, (b) system of ODEs
- Useful tips regarding solvers

Basics of MATLAB

Command Window

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```
A =

     5

>> A=[2,3]

A =

     2     3

>> A=[2;3]

A =

     2
     3

>> A = rand(2,2)

A =

    0.8147    0.1270
    0.9058    0.9134

>> A=zeros(2,3)

A =

     0     0     0
     0     0     0
```

For Loops

For Loops

For loops require explicit values in order to function. These values can be predefined or stated within the loop.
The Matlab syntax is:

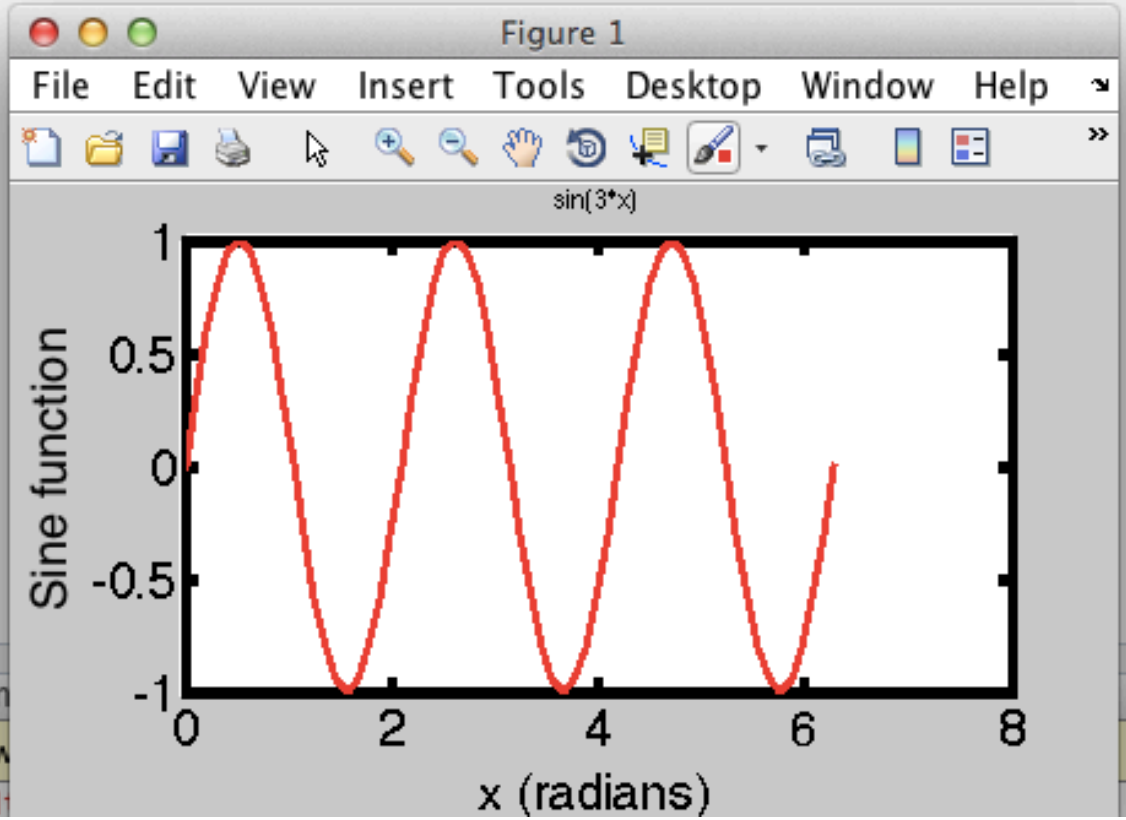
```
for value=start:counter:finish
  [do something]
end
```

For example:

```
for i = 1:10
  disp(['Hello I am the number ',int2str(i)]);
end
```

Plotting Data

```
x = 0:pi/30:2*pi;           %  x vector, 0 <= x <= 2*pi, increments of pi/3
y = sin(3*x);               %  vector of y values
plot(x,y,'r','linewidth',3)%  create the plot, set color, set linewidth
xlabel('x (radians)','fontsize',20);     %  label the x-axis
ylabel('Sine function','fontsize',20);   %  label the y-axis
title('sin(3*x)');                       %  put a title on the plot
set (gca,'Linewidth',5);                 %  set axis width
set(gca,'fontsize',20);                  %  set fontsize of axis
```



For Loops

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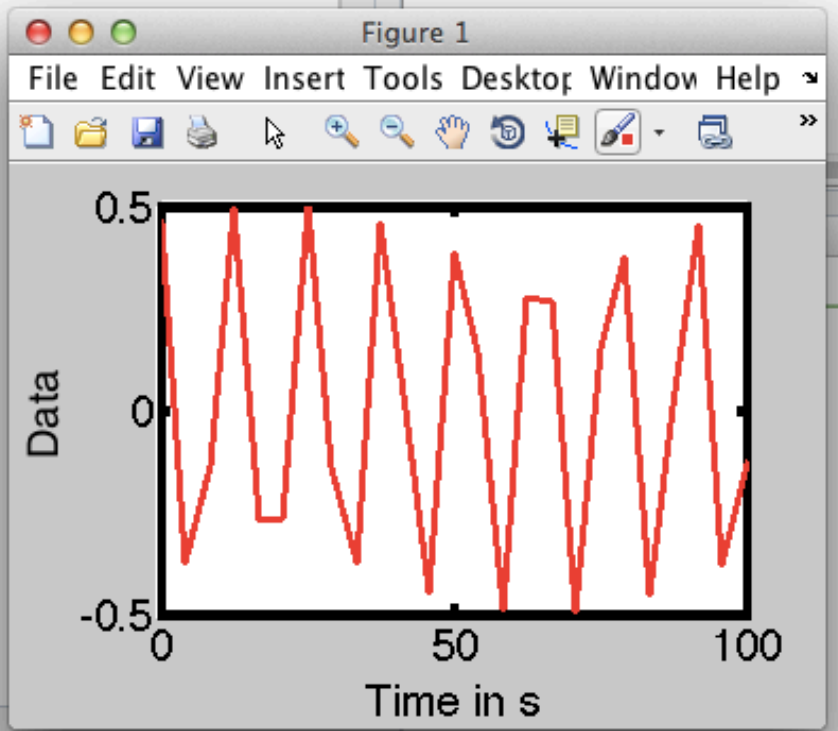
```
1 -   clc; % clears workspace
2 -   clear all; % clears parameter space
3 -   close all; % closes all figures
4
5     %begin for loop, calculate sin times cos; MATLAB treats value in radians,
6     %to use degrees use radtodeg(45) for 45 degrees.
7 -   for theta=1:1:25
8         %begin for loop; theta starts at 1, increments by 1 till 25
9 -       data(theta)=sin(theta).*cos(theta); %calculate data
10 -  end %end for loop
11
12    %PLOT DATA
13    %linspace creates 25 data point array from 0 to 100
14 -  t=linspace(0,100,25);
15    %make figure 1
16 -  figure(1)
17    %plot x vs y
18 -  plot(t,data,'r','linewidth',3);
19    %set graphic font size, border width
20 -  set (gca,'Linewidth',5);
21 -  set(gca,'fontsize',20);
22    %set x and y labels
23 -  xlabel('Time in s','fontsize',20)
24 -  ylabel('Data','fontsize',20)
25
26
27
```

Workspace

Name	Value
data	1x25 double
t	1x25 double
theta	25



If Statements

```
if expression
   statements
end
```

```
if expression1
   statements1
elseif expression2
   statements2
else
   statements3
end
```

Given matrices `A` and `B`

```
A =                    B =
     1     0                1     1
     2     3                3     4
```

Expression	Evaluates As	Because
`A < B`	`false`	`A(1,1)` is not less than `B(1,1)`.
`A < (B + 1)`	`true`	Every element of `A` is less than that same element of `B` with `1` added.
`A & B`	`false`	`A(1,2) & B(1,2)` is false.
`B < 5`	`true`	Every element of `B` is less than `5`.

If statements

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```
1 -    clc; % clears workspace
2 -    clear all; % clears parameter space
3 -    close all; % closes all figures
4
5 -    tick=1; %set a ticker
6
7 -    for theta=1:25
8          %if theta is an even number, calculate data
9 -        if (mod(theta,2) ==0)
10 -       data(tick)=sin(theta).*cos(theta);
11 -       tick=tick+1; %increment ticker
12 -       end
13 -   end
14
15     %PLOT DATA
16     %linspace creates 25 data point array from 0 to 100
17 -   t=linspace(0,100,tick-1);
18     %make figure 1
19 -   figure(1)
20     %plot x vs y
21 -   plot(t,data,'r','linewidth',3);
22     %set graphic font size, border width
23 -   set (gca,'Linewidth',5);
24 -   set(gca,'fontsize',20);
25     %set x and y labels
26 -   xlabel('Time in s','fontsize',20)
27 -   ylabel('Data','fontsize',20)
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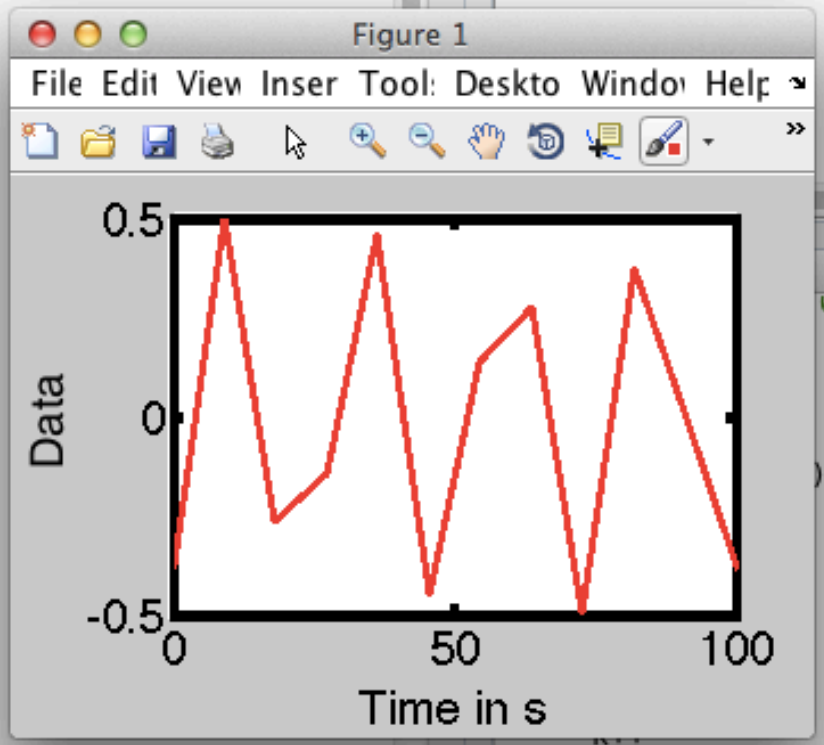
```

Workspace

Name	Va
data	1x
t	1x
theta	25
tick	13



Functions

- Format:

function [outputs] = function_name (inputs)

- Functions make programming easy, your code reusable
- A function need not always output data
- A function can call another function and so on

Function: example 1

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```
1   function [x] = ex3 (r)
2   % I don't have enough creativity to come up
3   % with random functions that have no purpose
4   % but then again, I have to show you how to write on
5   % this function computes sin times cos
6 -   x = sin(r).*cos(r);
```

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>> help ex3
  I don't have enough creativity to come up
  with random functions that have no purpose
  but then again, I have to show you how to write on
  this function computes sin times cos

>> ex3(3)

ans =

   -0.1397

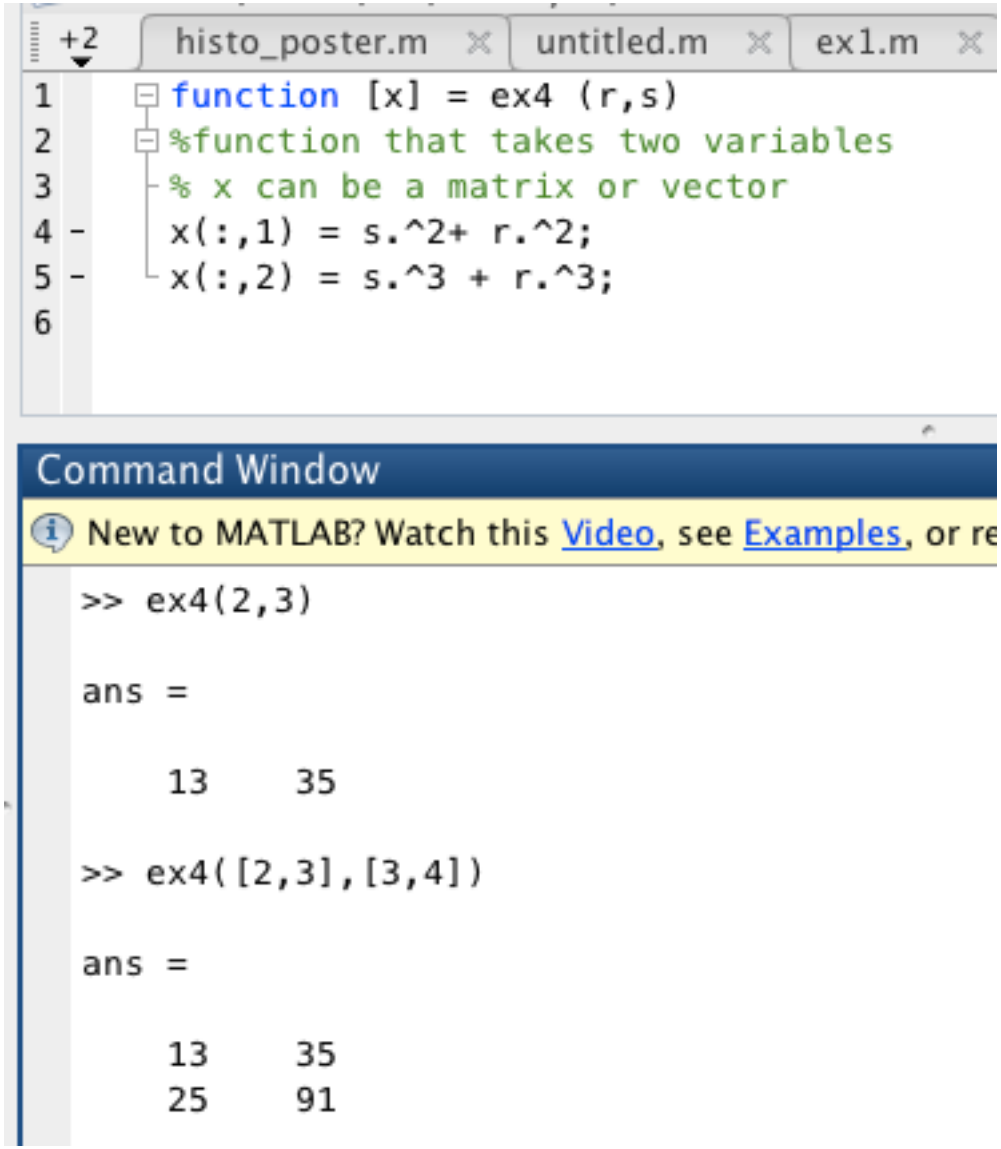
>> ex3(rand(3,1))

ans =

    0.4768
    0.0969
    0.2643

fx >>
```

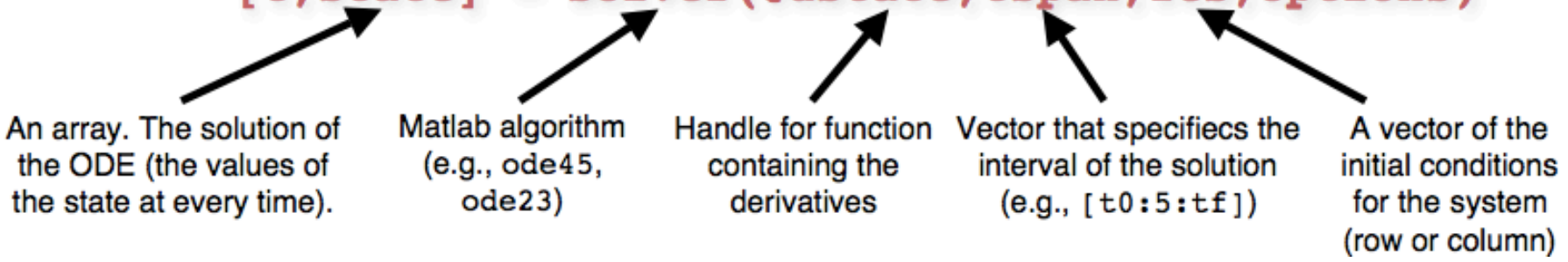
Function: example 2



Solving ODEs

- Matlab has several different functions (built-ins) for the numerical solution of ODEs. These solvers can be used with the following syntax:

```
[outputs] = function_handle(inputs)
[t,state] = solver(@dstate,tspan,ICs,options)
```



- Ode45 is a MATLAB function that takes another function (dstate) as input
- You need to write a function dstate, and call ode45 (or other solvers)

Solving 1 ODE

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y'(t) = \alpha y(t) - \gamma y(t)^2$$

$$y(0) = 10$$

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```
1  function dydt = ex51 (t,y)
2  %this function writes out the differential equation
3  %define constants
4  alpha=2; gamma=2;
5  %dydt is y';
6  dydt = alpha* y-gamma *y^2;
7  end
```

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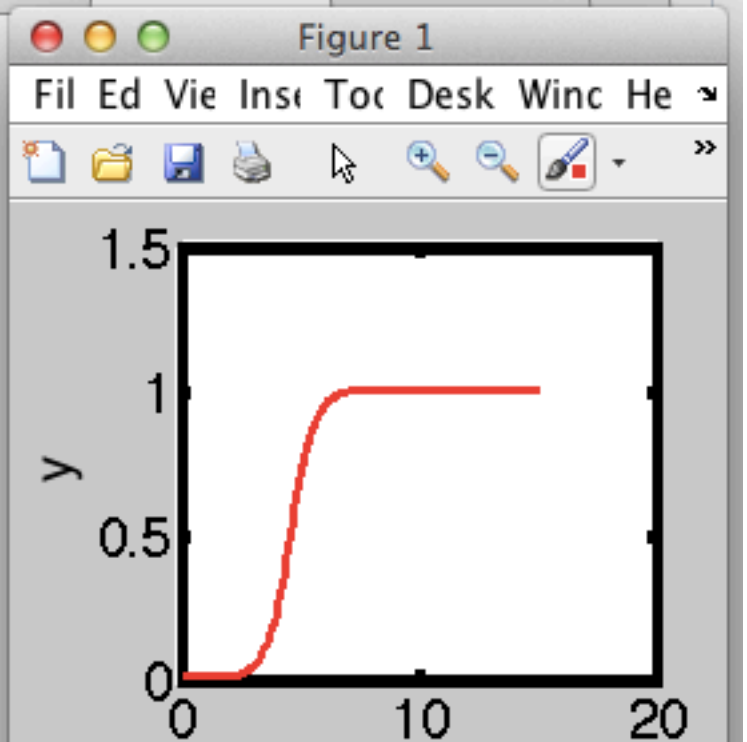
```
1  function [t,y] = ex52()
2  tspan = [0 15]; % set time interval
3  y0 = 10E-5; % set initial condition
4  [t,y] = ode45( @ex51 ,[0 15] ,10E-5);
5  plot(t,y,'r','linewidth',3);
6  set (gca,'Linewidth',5);
7  set(gca,'fontsize',20);
8  %set x and y labels
9  xlabel('Time in s','fontsize',20)
10 ylabel('y','fontsize',20)
11 end
```



Solve Rate Equations: system of ODEs

$$A \leftrightarrow B \rightarrow C$$

- Rates: k1,k2 and k3
- Initial value: A0=1; B0=0; C0=0
- Rate values: k1=5; k2=2; k3=1

Solve Rate Equations: system of ODEs

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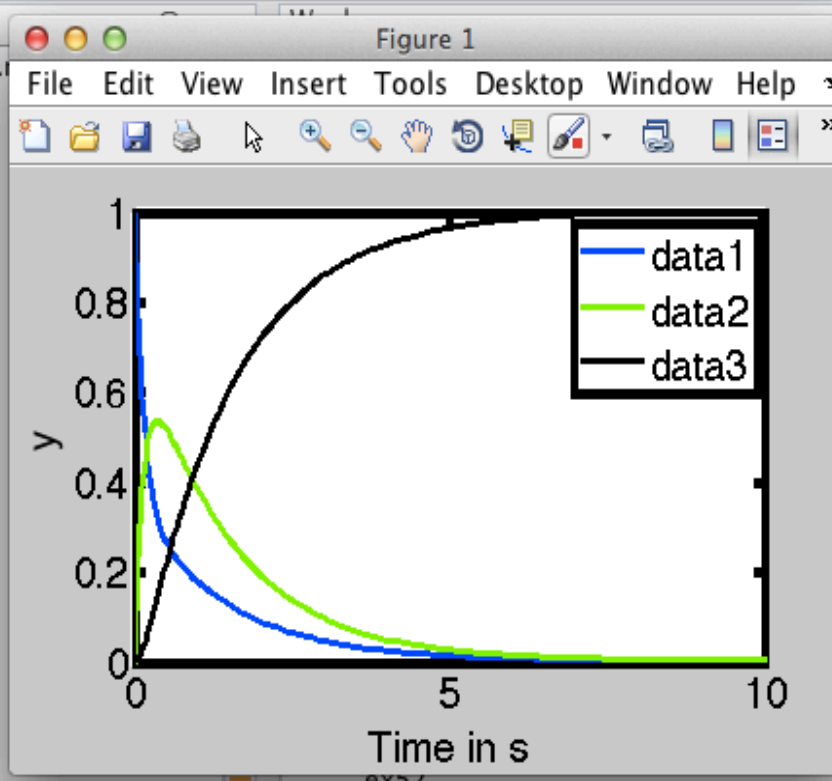
```
1  function [t,y] = ex62()
2  [t,y] = ode45( @ex61 ,[0 10] ,[1 0 0]);
3  plot(t,y(:,1),'b','linewidth',3);
4  hold on
5  plot(t,y(:,2),'g','linewidth',3);
6  plot(t,y(:,3),'k','linewidth',3);
7  legend('show')
8  set (gca,'Linewidth',5);
9  set(gca,'fontsize',20);
10 %set x and y labels
11 xlabel('Time in s','fontsize',20)
12 ylabel('y','fontsize',20)
13     function dydt = ex61 (t,y)
14         %this function writes out the differential equation
15         %define constants
16         dydt=zeros(size(y));
17         k1=5;k2=2;k3=1;
18         A=y(1);B=y(2);C=y(3);
19         dydt(1)= -k1*A + k2*B;
20         dydt(2)= k1*A-k2*B-k3*B
21         dydt(3)=k3*B
22     end
23 end
```



ex52
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ex52

Solver	Accuracy	Description
ode45	Medium	This should be the first solver you try
ode23	Low	Less accurate than ode45
ode113	Low to high	For computationally intensive problems
ode15s	Low to medium	Use if ode45 fails because the problem is stiff*

Runge-Kutta (4,5) formula

*No precise definition of stiffness, but the main idea is that the equation includes some terms that can lead to rapid variation in the solution.