

MATLAB Tutorial

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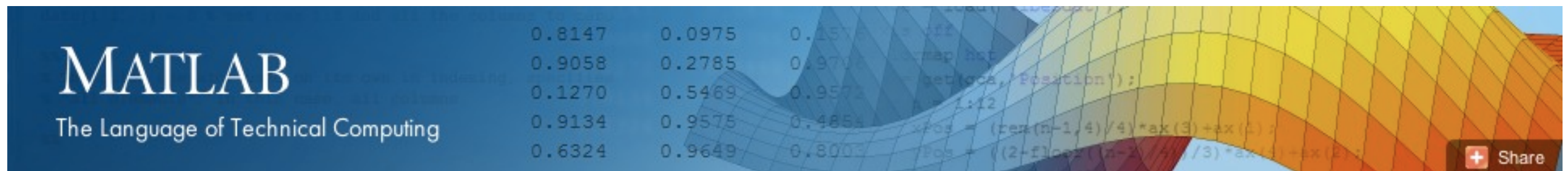
Optimization, polyphonic transcription, speech recognition, anything to do with time-series data



MATLAB

— Matrix Laboratory —

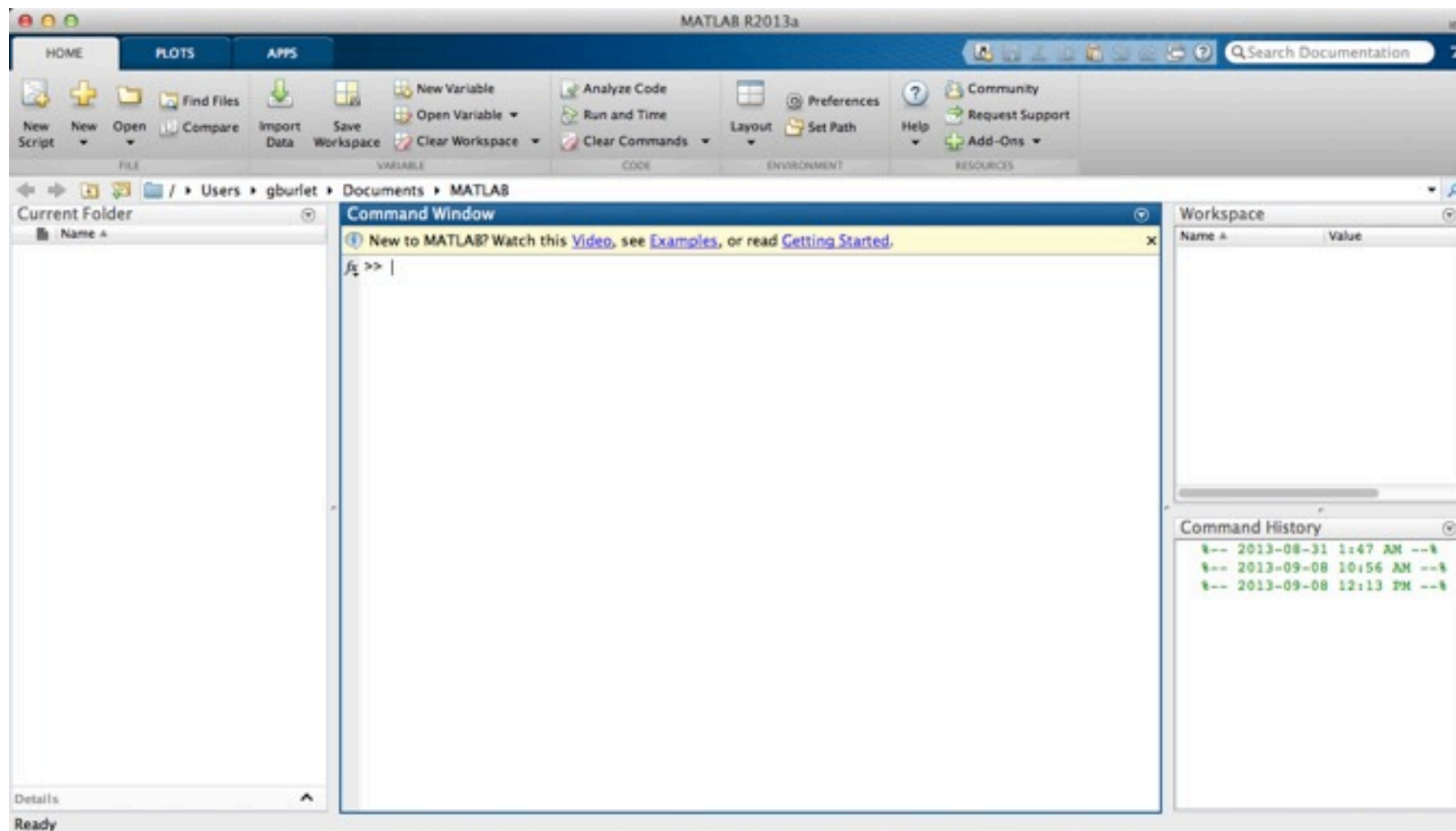
- Programming Language for numerical computing and visualization
- Ideal for matrix computations



www.mathworks.com/products/matlab

Using MATLAB

- Graphical User Interface



- Command line, type matlab to quit, type exit
>>

Matrices

- 2 x 3 matrix

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

```
ans = 1    2    3  
      4    5    6
```

- 2 x 2 matrix of ones

```
>> ones(2)
```

```
ans = 1    1  
      1    1
```

- 2 x 4 matrix of zeros

```
>> zeros(2,4)
```

```
ans = 0    0    0    0  
      0    0    0    0
```

- 2 x 2 identity matrix

```
>> eye(2)
```

```
ans = 1    0  
      0    1
```

Matrices

- 2 x 3 random (uniformly distributed) matrix
`>> rand(2,3)`

```
ans = 0.8147    0.1270    0.6324  
      0.9058    0.9134    0.0975
```

- 2 x 3 random (normally distributed) matrix
`>> randn(2,3)`

```
ans = -0.4336    3.5784   -1.3499  
      0.3426    2.7694    3.0349
```

Concatenation

- Concatenate matrices horizontally:

```
>> a = [eye(2), ones(2,3)]
```

```
ans = 1    0    1    1    1  
      0    1    1    1    1
```

- Concatenate matrices vertically:

```
>> b = [zeros(2); eye(1,2)]
```

```
ans = 0    0  
      0    0  
      1    0
```

- Warning: make sure dimensions work with each other!

Variables

- Built-in constants and variables:
pi, eps (2.2204e-16), inf, i, j, NaN
- case sensitive variable & function names

```
>> a = 2;
```

```
>> b = 'foo';
```

```
>> c = rand(a);
```

- List all variables: who

Indexing

- Indices start at one, not zero!

- Access particular element:

```
>> a = reshape(1:12, [3,4])
```

```
a = 1    4    7   10  
     2    5    8   11  
     3    6    9   12
```

```
>> a(2,2) = 5
```

```
>> a(1,:) = 1    4    7   10
```

```
>> a(:,3) = 7  
           8  
           9
```

Indexing

```
>> a(:, 1:2:4)
ans = 1    7
      2    8
      3    9
```

- Can also generate sequences with this syntax:

```
>> b = [1:3:10]
b = 1    4    7   10
```

Deleting Elements

```
>> b = [1:4]  
b = 1  2  3  4
```

```
>> b(2) = []  
b = 1  3  4
```

Matrix Operations

- Transpose:

```
>> a = [1:3]
```

```
>> a = 1    2    3
```

```
>> a'
```

```
ans = 1  
      2  
      3
```

Matrix Operations

- Addition:

```
>> a = eye(3);  
>> b = ones(3);  
>> a + b
```

```
ans = 2    1    1  
       1    2    1  
       1    1    2
```

- Subtraction works the same way

Matrix Operations

- Multiplication:

```
>> a = [1:3];  
>> b = [2:4];  
>> a * b'
```

ans = 20

- Element-wise multiplication:

```
>> a = [1:3];  
>> b = [2:4];  
>> a .* b
```

ans = 2 6 12

Can also do ./ for
element-wise division

Matrix Operations

- Exponentiate:

```
>> a = [1:3];
```

```
>> b = ones(1,3) .* 2;
```

```
>> b.^ a
```

```
ans = 2    4    8
```

Saving & Loading

- Save matrix to data file:
 >> a = rand(3,4);
 >> save a
- matrix a is saved to file a.mat
- Load matrix a to data file:
 >> load('filepath')

Functions

- Frequently used functions:
 - >> det(X): determinant of X
 - >> eig(X): eigenvalues and vectors
 - >> inv(X): inverse of X
 - >> svd(X): singular value decomposition
 - >> norm(X): norm of matrix
 - >> find(X > n): indices of elements > n
 - >> sqrt(X): square root
 - >> sin(X): sinusoidal function
 - >> abs(X): absolute value

Functions

- and so many more ...
- Don't know which function to use or which functions are available?

`help <function name>`

`doc <function name>`

or `doc` and `browse` for functions

If else

- Boolean operators: `==`, `~=`
- Conditional statements:

```
>> a = 1;  
>> if a > 0  
>>   display('foo')  
>> else  
>>   display('bar')  
>> end
```

Loops

- for loop:

```
>> a = 0;  
>> for i = 1:3  
>>     a = a + i;  
>> end
```

- while loop:

```
>> a = 3;  
>> while a ~= 0  
>>     a = a - 1  
>> end
```

Plotting

- Plotting a sinusoid:

```
>> Fs = 44100
```

```
>> t = (0:Fs)*(1/Fs)
```

```
>> x = Fs*t
```

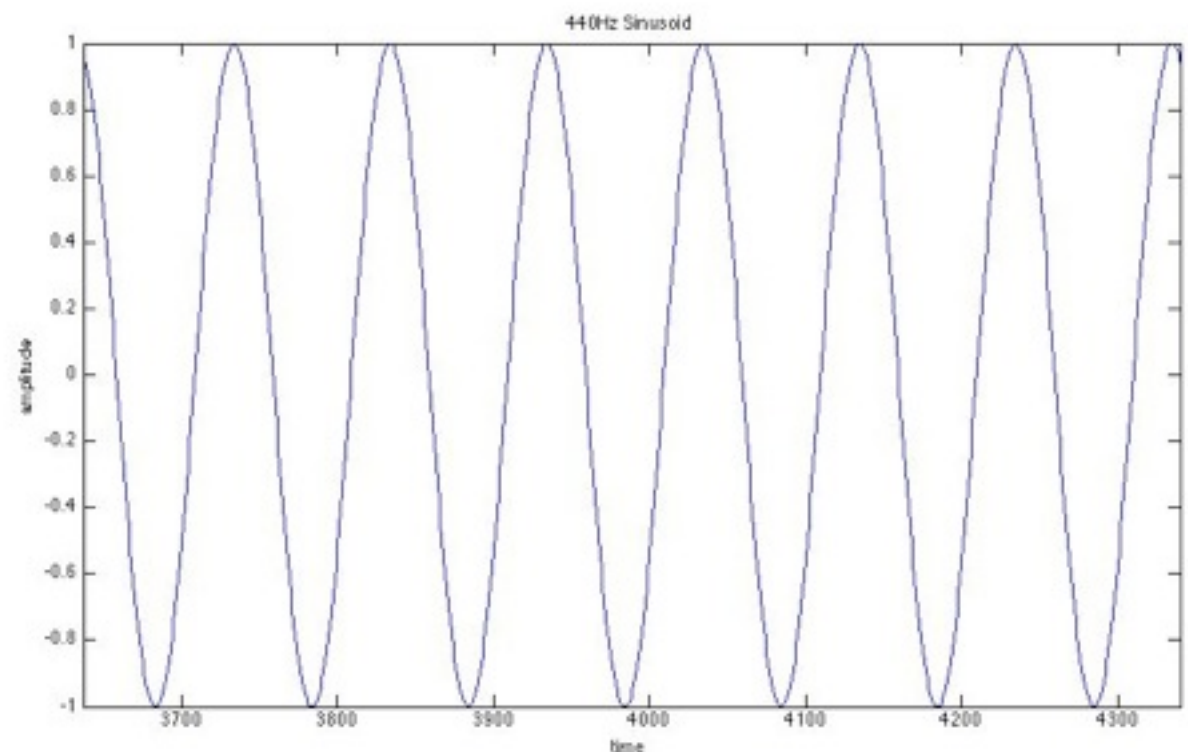
```
>> y = sin(2*pi*440*t)    % 440 Hz sinusoid
```

```
>> plot(x, y)
```

```
>> title('440 Hz Sinusoid')
```

```
>> xlabel('time')
```

```
>> ylabel('amplitude')
```



Scripts

- Add commands to a .m file
- From the command line, type the file name and the script will be run.
- Comments are made using the % character
- Function files declared using
`function [y1,...,yN] = funcName(x1,...,xM)`
`end`

Practical Example

—Least Squares—

- Find the least squares solution of the linear system:

$$x_1 - x_2 = 4$$

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 = 1$$

$$-2x_1 + 4x_2 = 3$$

- Matrix representation of the linear system $Ax=b$,
such that $x = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$:

$$>> A = [1 \ -1; \ 3 \ 2; \ -2 \ 4];$$

$$>> b = [4 \ 1 \ 3]';$$

$$>> x = (A' * A) \backslash A' * b$$

$$x = 0.1789, 0.5018$$