A Crash Course in MatLab

For Masters and other students

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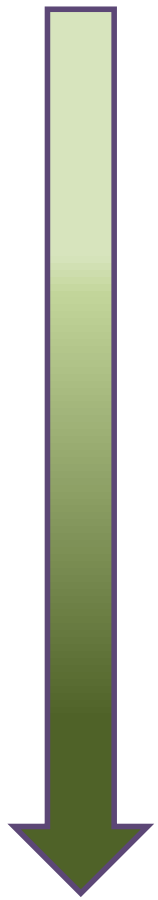
Today's objective

Get comfortable playing with Matlab…

- Interacting with Matlab
- Enter Data
- Operations
- Some Commonly Used Functions
- Making Pretty Pictures
- M-Files and Scripts
- For, While, and If
- Solving ODEs

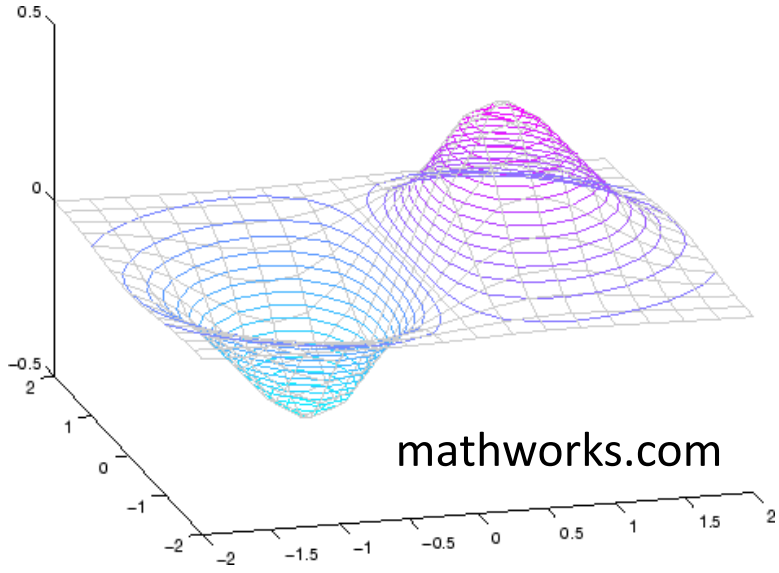


What is Matlab?

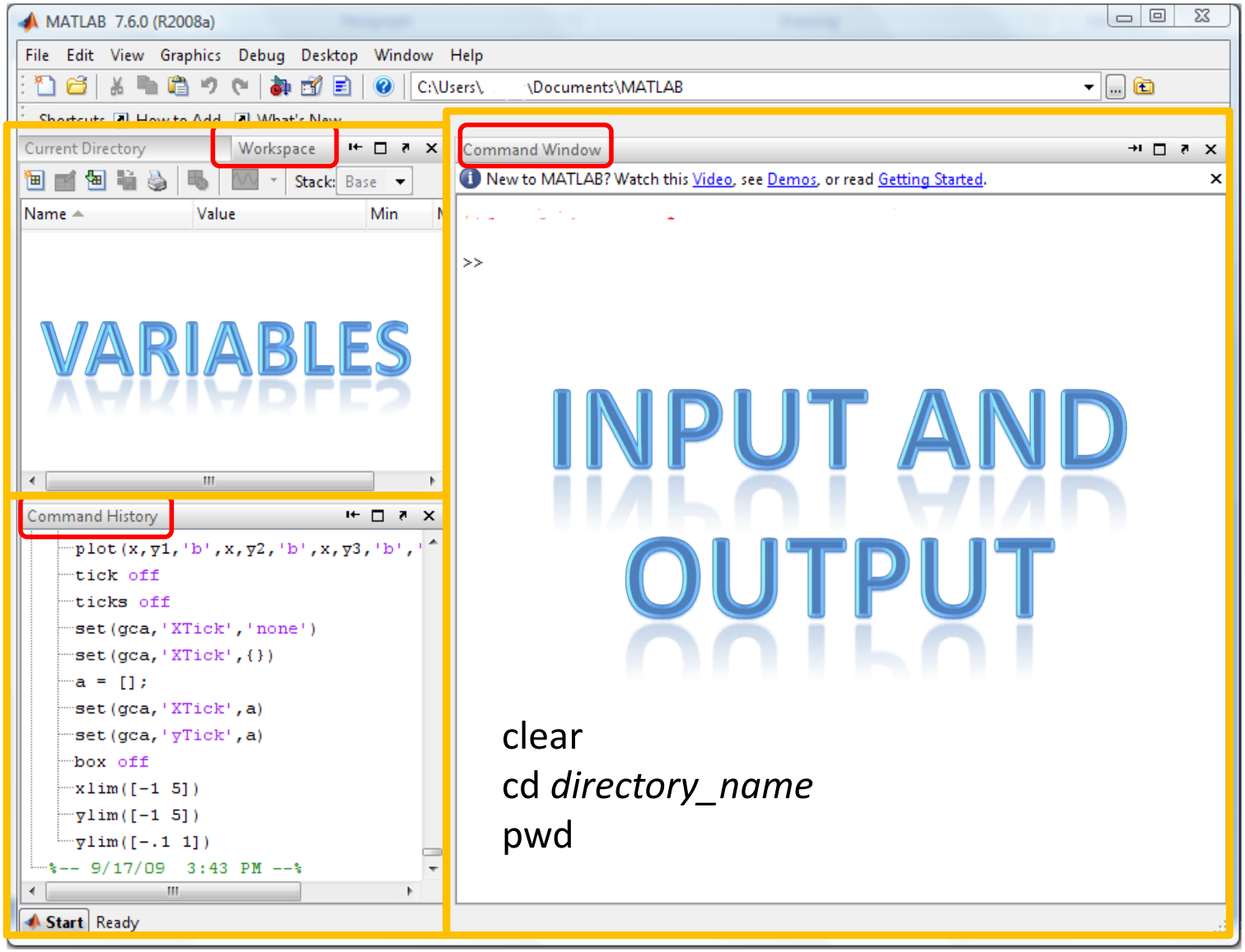
- Matlab = Matrix Laboratory
- Problem-solving environment
- Designed for convenient *numerical* computations (e.g. matrix manipulation, differential eqns, stats, and graphics)
- Developed by Cleve Moler in 1970s as a teaching tool
- Now ubiquitous in education and industry

Why Matlab?

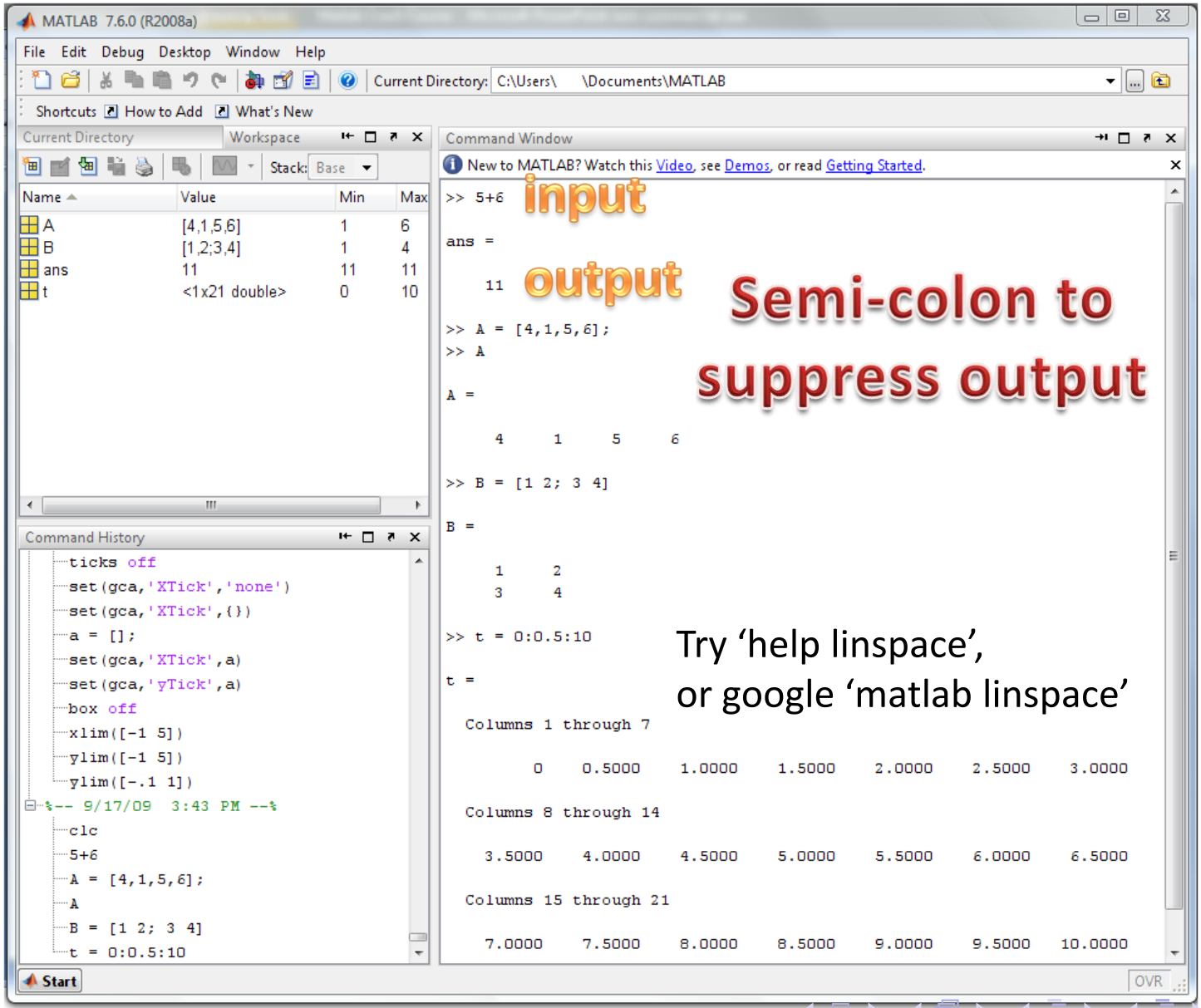
- Great tool for simulation and data analysis
- User-friendly interface
- Many easy to use built-in functions and tool boxes
- Easy visualization
- Easy to get help:
  - help *function_name*
  - lookfor *topic*
  - www.mathworks.com



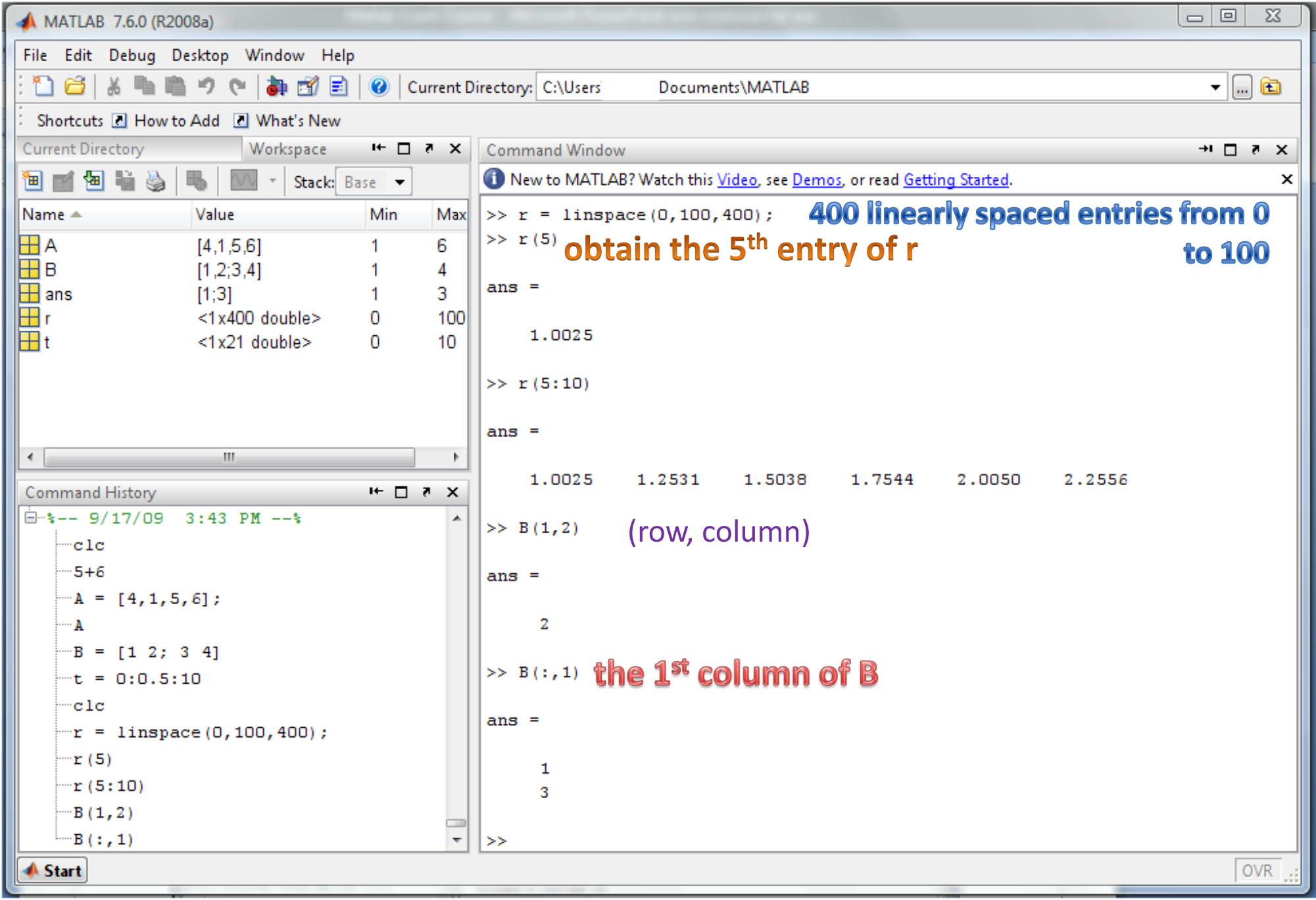
Interacting with Matlab



Entering Data



Try ‘help linspace’,
or google ‘matlab linspace’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B [1,2;3,4] 1 4
ans [1;3] 1 3
r <1x400 double> 0 100
t <1x21 double> 0 10
Command History
%-- 9/17/09 3:43 PM --%
clc
5+6
A = [4,1,5,6];
A
B = [1 2; 3 4]
t = 0:0.5:10
clc
r = linspace(0,100,400);
r(5)
r(5:10)
B(1,2)
B(:,1)
Command Window
New to MATLAB? Watch this Video, see Demos, or read Getting Started.
>> r = linspace(0,100,400);
400 linearly spaced entries from 0 to 100
>> r(5)
obtain the 5th entry of r
ans =
1.0025
>> r(5:10)
ans =
1.0025 1.2531 1.5038 1.7544 2.0050 2.2556
>> B(1,2)
(row, column)
ans =
2
>> B(:,1)
the 1st column of B
ans =
1
3
>>
Start
OVR

Some Frequently Used Commands

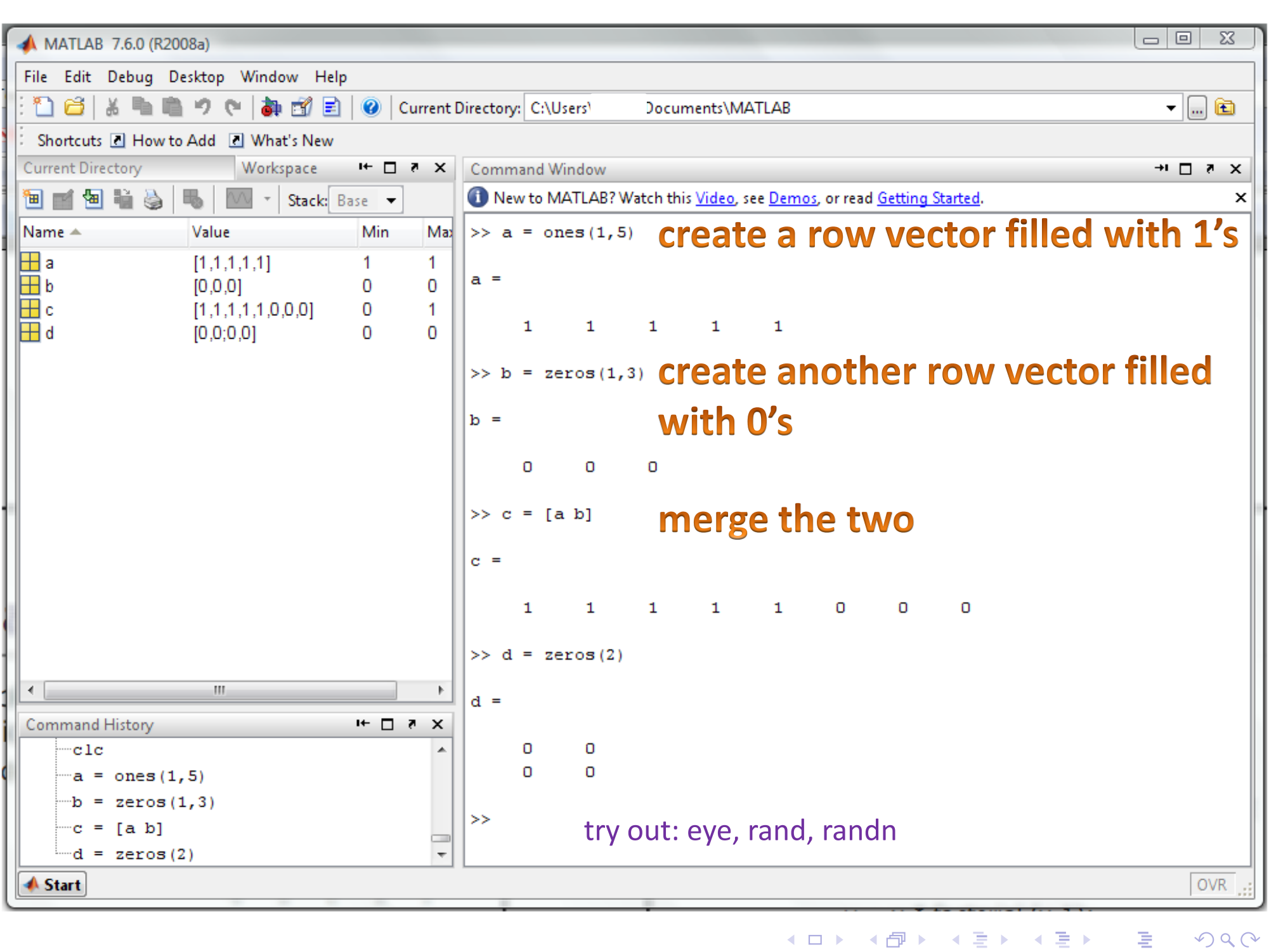
- To show variable: `who` and `whos`
- To get help on any command: `help any_command`
- To get documentation of any command: `doc any_command`
- For clearing screen: `cls`
- For removing variables from memory: clear variable_name

Entering data (in workspace/command line):

- Quite simple 0 : `a = 2`
- Semicolon, stops printing values for variables. : `a = 2;`
- Vectors in brackets [ ] : `vec = [1 2 3];`
- Matrices, as combination of vectors:`mat = [1 2 3;4 5 6;7 8 9]`
- Using existing arrays(vectors and matrices); for e.g. using first row of above matrix `mat(1,:)`

Some Functions:

- To get vectors(or matrices) of elements 0 : `zeros(m,n)`
- To get vectors(or matrices) of elements 1 : `ones(m,n)`
- Sum, Subtract, Multiplication and Division : `+, -, *, /` for all objects.
- Point-wise operations: `.* , ./ and so on`
- Exponential, Logarithm and other functions: `exp, log,`
- Formatting numbers: for e.g. `format short, format long, and others`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d [0,0;0,0] 0 0
Command History
clc
a = ones(1,5)
b = zeros(1,3)
c = [a b]
d = zeros(2)
Command Window
New to MATLAB? Watch this Video, see Demos, or read Getting Started.
>> a = ones(1,5)
create a row vector filled with 1's
a =
1 1 1 1 1
>> b = zeros(1,3)
create another row vector filled with 0's
b =
0 0 0
>> c = [a b]
merge the two
c =
1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0
>> d = zeros(2)
d =
0 0
0 0
>>
try out: eye, rand, randn
Start
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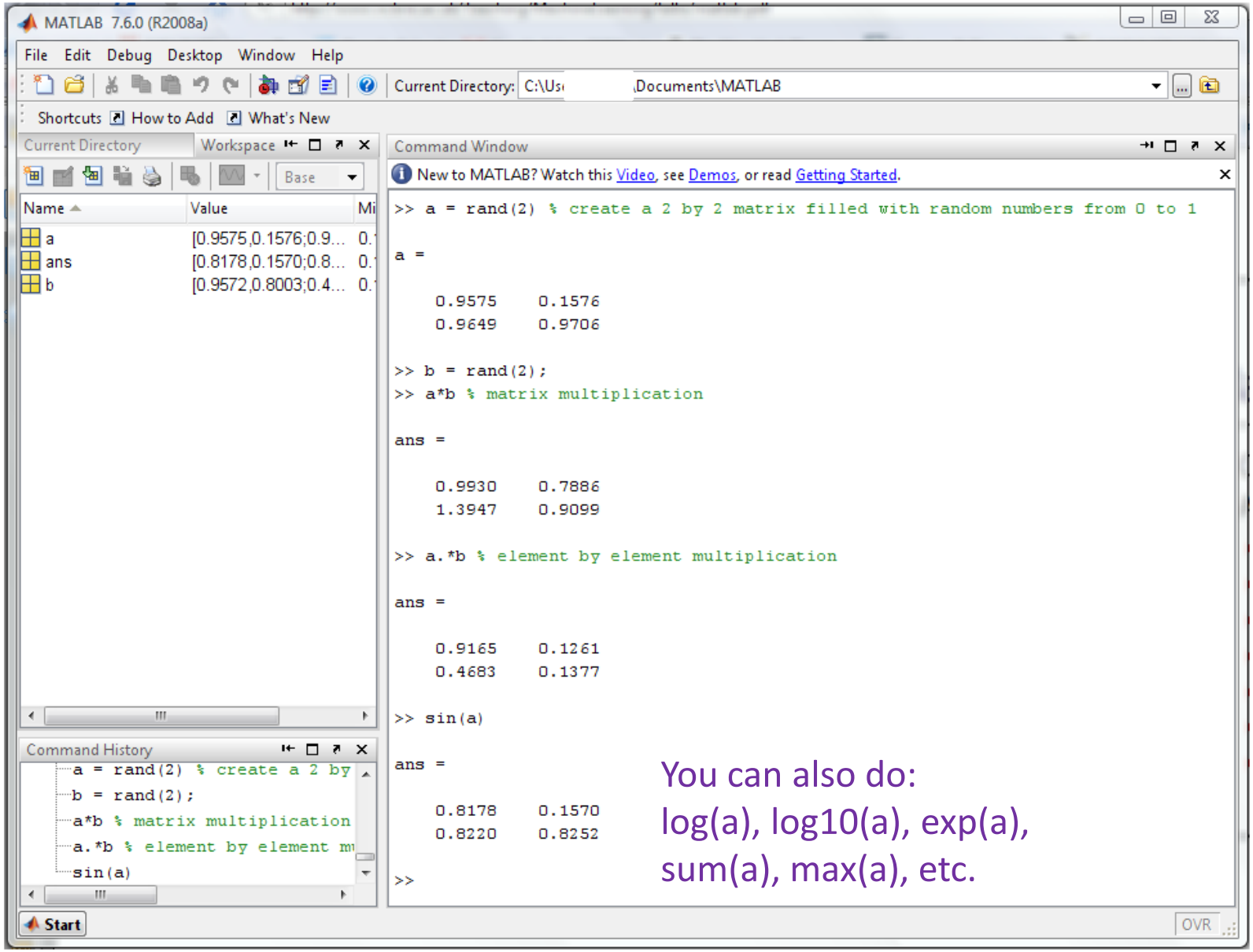
Operations

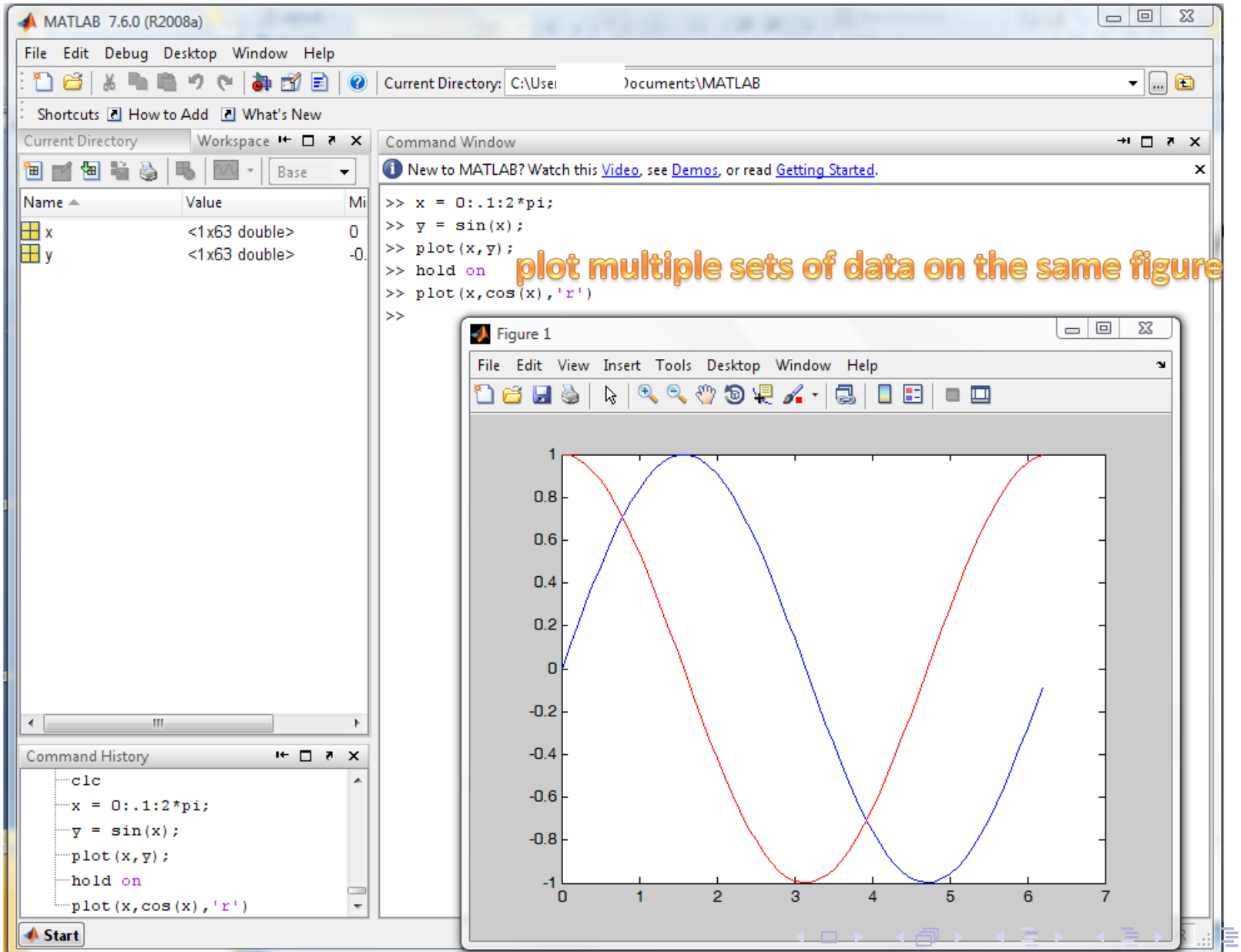


You can also do:
log(a), log10(a), exp(a),
sum(a), max(a), etc.

Plotting :

- To start blank figure : `figure`
- plot : `plot(y,x,'OPTIONS')`, where y and x are vectors(or matrices) and options are like line style, line color, etcetera.

Plotting Data / Making Pretty Pictures



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Base

Name	Value	Mi
x	<1x63 double>	0
y	<1x63 double>	-0.

Command Window

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```
>> xlabel('x')
>> ylabel('y')
>> title('My First MATLAB Plot')
>> legend('sin(x)','cos(x)','Location','SouthWest')
>>
```

Try 'help plot',
'help title',
'help legend',
and 'help axis'
for more info

Command History

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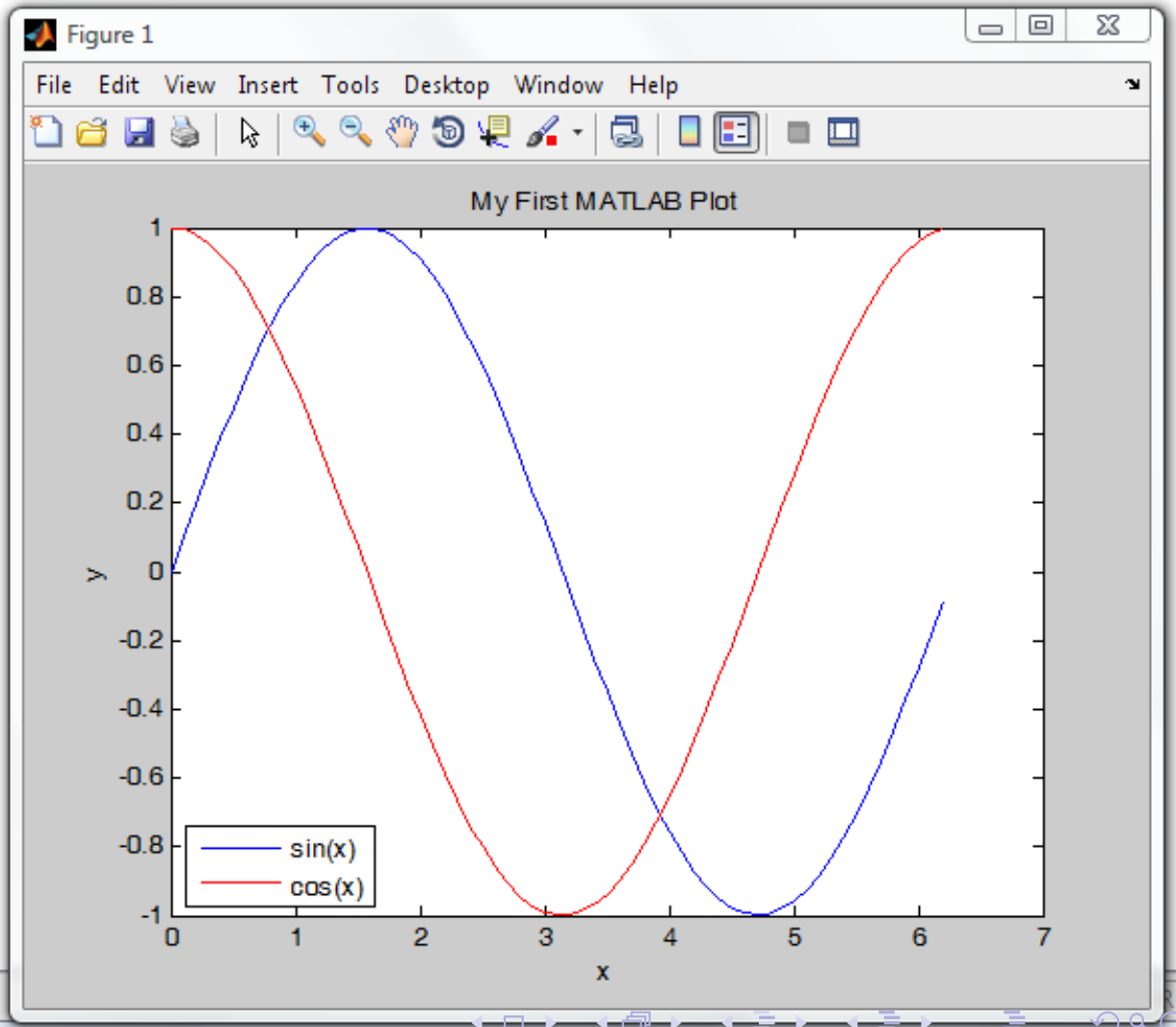

More About Plotting

```
t = 0:pi/20:2*pi;
[x,y] = meshgrid(t);   % look up meshgrid

subplot(2,2,1)    % creates a 2x2 array of plots, and plot in the first subplot
plot(sin(t),cos(t))
axis equal   % this is a parametric plot

subplot(2,2,2)
z = sin(x)+cos(y);    % z is a matrix
plot(t,z)
axis([0 2*pi -2 2])    % plotting each column of z
                       % versus t

subplot(2,2,3)
z = sin(x).*cos(y);
plot(t,z)
axis([0 2*pi -1 1])

subplot(2,2,4)
z = (sin(x).^2)-(cos(y).^2);
plot(t,z);
axis([0 2*pi -1 1])
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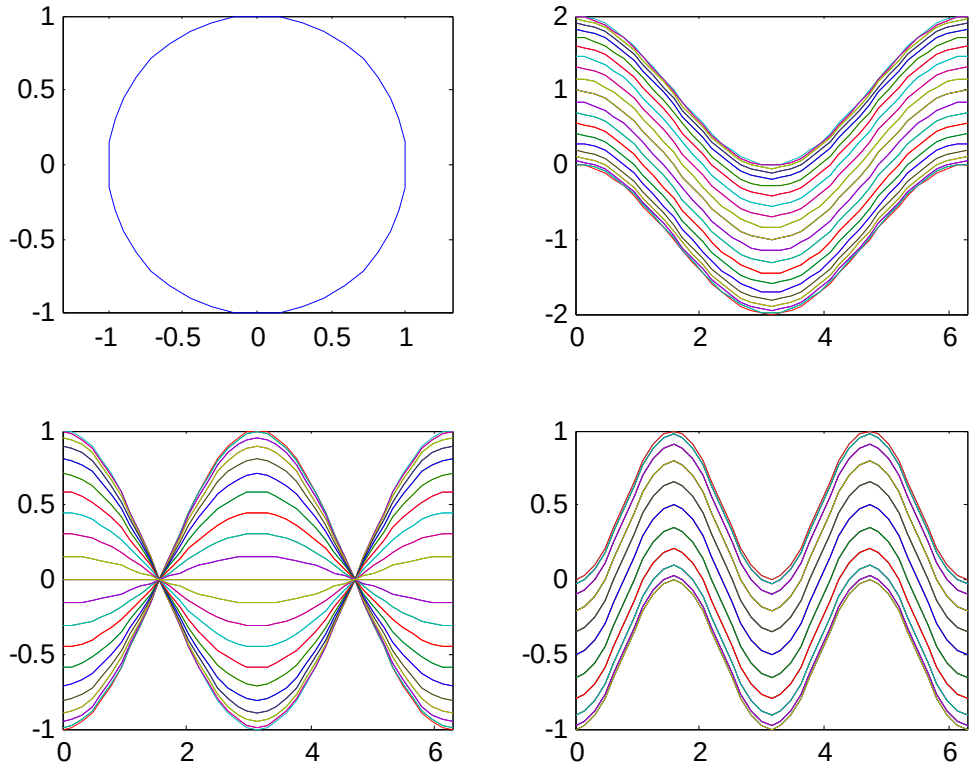


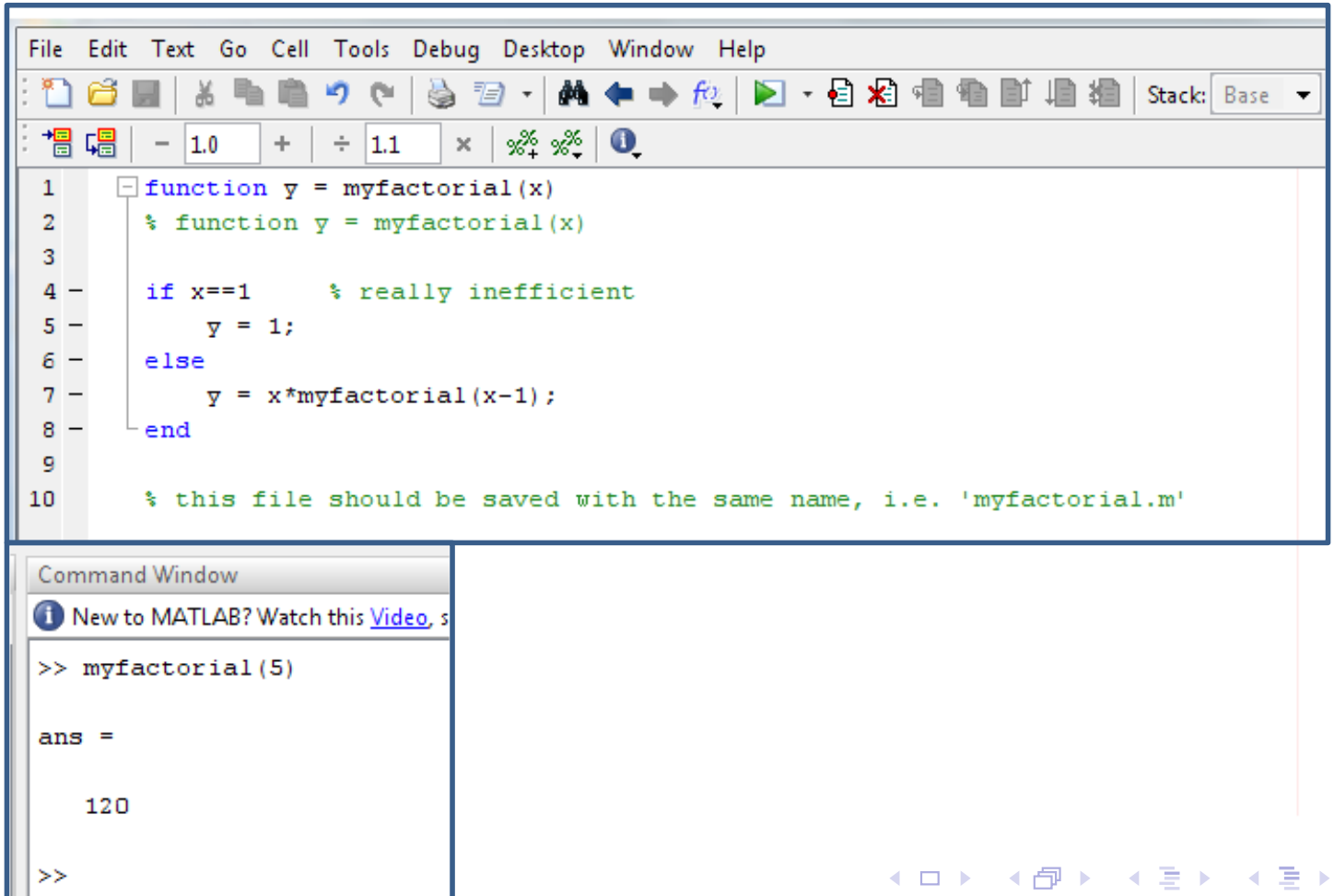
% for 3-D plotting, try mesh, surf, surfl, waterfall, etc

Creating files and M-Files :

- creat files in editor : `edit newfile.m`
- Functions in m-files : `ones(m,n)`

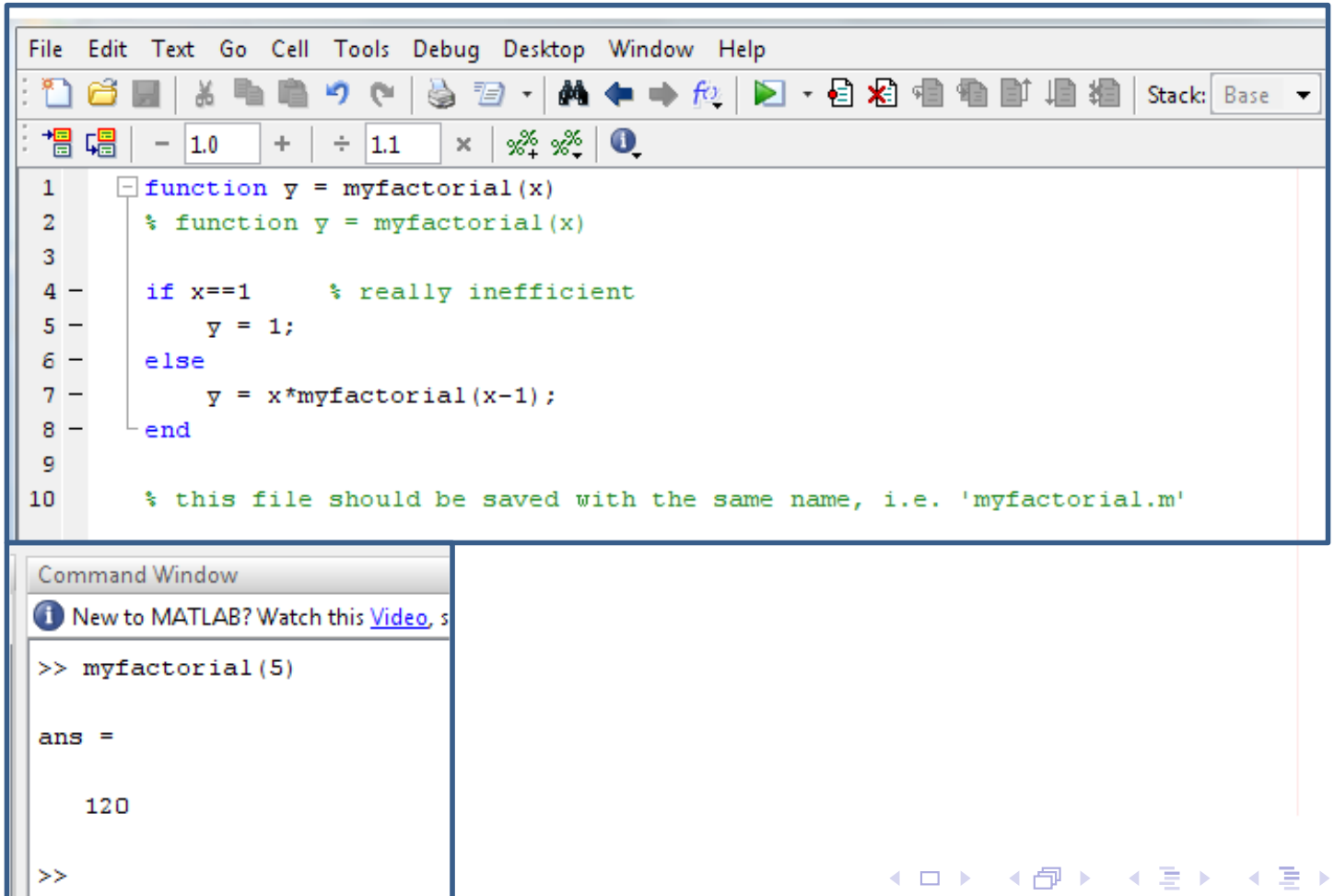
M-Files and Functions

- Let's make our own functions
- To start the editor, type 'edit'



M-Files and Functions

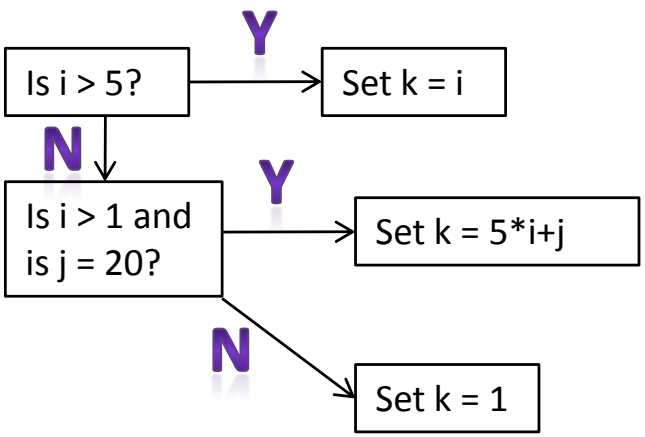
- Local workspace and Scoping
- To make variables global: global *variable_name*



For, if and while loops :

- Several built-in functions for e.g. : `ode23, ode45, ode23s, ode113 etcetera`
- Lot of other ode solver function in external libraries.

For, While, and If




```
for m = 1:100
        num = 1/(m+1)
end
----------------------------
% find all the powers
% of 2 below 10000
while num < 10000
        num = 2^i;
        v = [v; num];
        i = i+1;
end
----------------------------
i = 6; j = 21;
if i > 5
        k = i;
elseif (i > 1) & (j == 20)
        k = 5*i+j;
else
        k = 1;
end
```

A for loop

A while loop

- And: a & b
- Or: a | b
- Not-equal: a ~=b
- Equal: a == b

Solving Differential Equations numerically :

- Several built-in functions for e.g. : `ode23`, `ode45`, `ode23s`, `ode113` `etcetera`
- Lot of other ode solver function in external libraries.

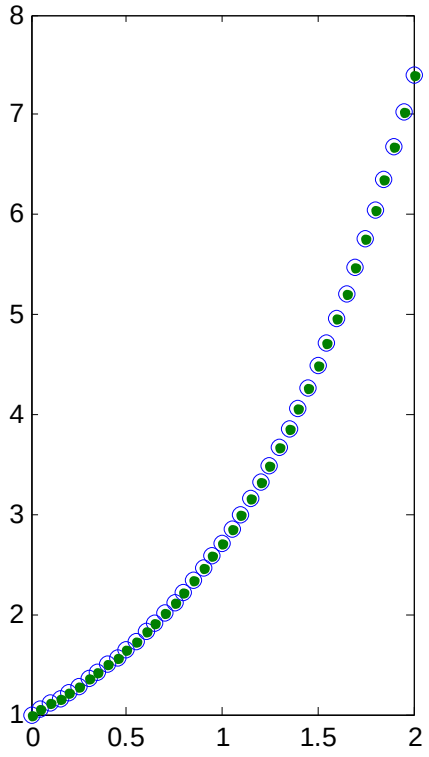
Solving ODEs

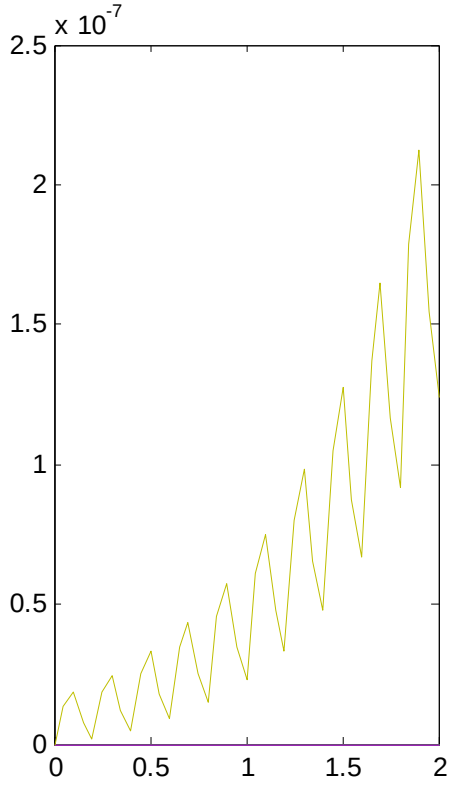
- A very simple case: $\frac{dy}{dt} = y(t) \qquad 0 \le t \le 2 \qquad y(0) = 1$

```
function dy = simpleode(t,y)
dy = y;  % save as simpleode.m
```

- Type in command line:

```
[t y] = ode45(@simpleode, [0, 2], [1]);
subplot(1,2,1),plot (t,y,'o',t,exp(t),'.')
subplot(1,2,2),plot(t,(y-exp(t))/exp(t))
```





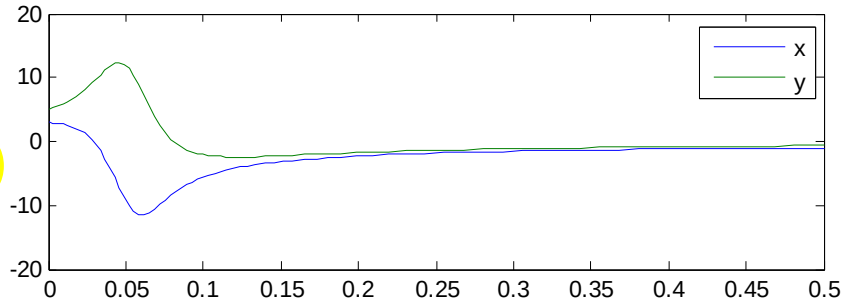
Solving ODEs

- A system of eqns:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2x - y + 3(x^2 - y^2) + 2xy \qquad 0 \le t \le \frac{1}{2}$$

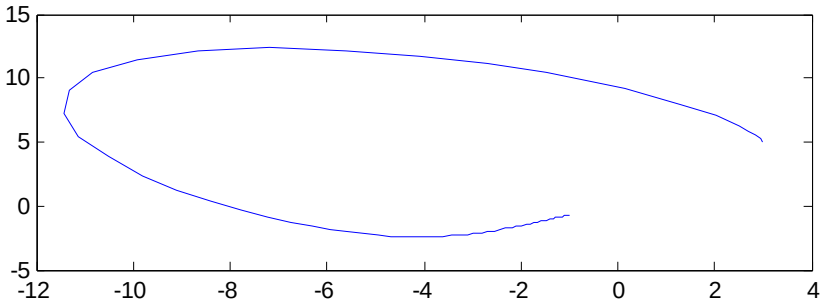
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x - 3y - 3(x^2 - y^2) + 3xy \qquad y(0) = 3, x(0) = 5$$

```
function xdot = aode(t,y)
% y(1) = x
% y(2) = y
xdot = zeros(2,1); % initialize the xdot vector
xdot = [2*y(1)-y(2)+3*(y(1)^2-y(2)^2)+2*y(1)*y(2)
        y(1)-3*y(2)-3*(y(1)^2-y(2)^2)+3*y(1)*y(2)];
%save as aode.m
```



- Type in command line:

```
[t,y] = ode45(@aode,[0,.5],[3;5]);
subplot(2,1,1),plot(t,y)
subplot(2,1,2),plot(y(:,1),y(:,2)) % plot the phase portrait
```



Solving ODEs

- A second order system: $\ddot{\theta} + \omega^2 \sin\theta = 0$ $\quad \theta(0) = 1$, $\dot{\theta}(0) = 0$

- First, convert to a system of two first-order equations, *by hand*.
  let $u_1 = \theta$, $u_2 = \dot{\theta}$, then $\begin{bmatrix} \dot{u}_1 \\ \dot{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_2 \\ -\omega^2 \sin(u_1) \end{bmatrix}$

```
function udot = pend(t,u,omega)
udot = zeros(2,1)
udot = [u(2); -omega^2*sin(u(1))];
%save as pend.m
```

- Type in command line:

```
%omega = 1.56
[t, y] = ode45(@pend,[0 20],[1;0],[],1.56);
subplot(2,1,1),plot(t,y)
subplot(2,1,2),plot(y(:,1),y(:,2)) % plot the phase portrait
```