

# Introduction to Scientific Programming

Part I: Matlab

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# General information

# Homepages + Accounts

- ▶ **TISS homepage** (login required)
  - <https://tiss.tuwien.ac.at> + search for lecture
  - Registration (mandatory)
  
- ▶ **TUWEL homepage** (login required)
  - <https://tuwel.tuwien.ac.at/course/view.php?id=54001>
  - Schedule & Course material
  - Weekly assignments (download & handing-in)
  - Forum to ask questions on lecture + exercises
  
- ▶ **Server lva.student.tuwien.ac.at**
  - Remote login via
    - `ssh -X name@lva.student.tuwien.ac.at`
    - `name` = e + student ID, e.g., `e12173378`
  - Requires valid VPN connection outside TU Wien
    - see [TU.it \(vpn\)](#)
  - Working on a remote server will be important later when you work on the VSC supercomputer
  
- ▶ If you have problems with your TU passwords, you must contact [TU.it \(TU accounts\)](#)

## Course contents

- ▶ Quick introduction to Unix
  - needed to work on the VSC
- ▶ Quick introduction to MATLAB
  - needed for exercises on Numerics of ODEs and Numerics of PDEs
  - basics must be available until March 10
- ▶ Introduction to C
  - needed for Parallel Computing on the supercomputer VSC (Vienna Scientific Cluster)
  - full proficiency must be reached until May 10

## Course organization

- ▶ The course will deal with hands-on programming of mathematical problems in MATLAB and C
- ▶ It accompanies the lectures *Numerics of ODEs*, *Numerics of PDEs*, and *Parallel Computing*
- ▶ The regular course takes place 6h per week
  - Friday 08:30–10:00: Presentation of homework
  - Friday 10:30–12:00: Joint work on theory
  - Friday 13:00–14:30: Hands-on programming
- ▶ Course start: March 03, 2023 (but only 2h)
  - only 08:30–10:00: Introduction to Unix
  - homework: make yourself familiar with MATLAB
- ▶ Course dates:
  - MATLAB: 10.03 + 17.03 + 24.03 + 31.03
  - C: 21.04 + 28.04 + 05.05 + 12.05
- ▶ Course end: May 12, 2023
- ▶ No exam, but grades according to homework
  - A positive grade requires the solution of  $\geq 50\%$  of all exercises
  - Active contribution to class will have positive impact on the final grade
    - and non-contribution has negative impact!

# General information

- ▶ start and quit MATLAB
- ▶ MATLAB online help
- ▶ m-files
- ▶ help

## What is MATLAB?

- ▶ MATLAB (MATrix LABoratory) is a numeric computing environment that provides a full programming language together with an IDE (integrated development environment)
- ▶ 1970: developed for academic teaching
  - on Linear Algebra
  - on Numerical Mathematics
- ▶ Powerful tool for mathematicians and engineers
  - Numerical solution of mathematical problems

## Why MATLAB?

- ▶ Easy development of mathematical algorithms
  - Most mathematical core functionality is already provided by MATLAB functions
    - e.g.,  $x = A \backslash b$  to solve  $Ax = b$  via Gaussian elimination
- ▶ Matrices & vectors are built-in ingredients
- ▶ MATLAB allows the programmer to concentrate on mathematical key problems
- ▶ Therefore, MATLAB is the first choice for developing mathematical algorithms

# Selling points of MATLAB

- ▶ Easy to learn
- ▶ Quick implementation of “strong” algorithms
- ▶ Built-in & powerful MATLAB editor
  - code folding
  - break points
  - real-time debugger
  - profiler
- ▶ MATLAB can be combined with C, C++, Fortran
  - **first:** development of algorithms in MATLAB
  - **then:** successive re-implementation for speed-up
    - e.g., in C
- ▶ Many (free) online tutorials
  - e.g., [MATLAB Onramp](#)
- ▶ Large and active community
  - [MATLAB file exchange](#)



# Availability

- ▶ MATLAB is a commercial product
- ▶ Available on server [lva.student.tuwien.ac.at](http://lva.student.tuwien.ac.at)
- ▶ Free student version for all students of TU Wien
  - <http://www.sss.tuwien.ac.at/sss/mla/>
  - <https://de.mathworks.com/academia/tah-portal/technische-universitat-wien-30338656.html>
- ▶ Free MATLAB clone: Octave
  - <http://www.octave.org>

# Toolboxes

- ▶ Toolbox = library for MATLAB
- ▶ To solve **special** math problems, e.g.,
  - Symbolic Math Toolbox
  - Partial Differential Equations Toolbox
  - Statistics Toolbox
  - Parallel Computing Toolbox ...
- ▶ Usually, one must buy MATLAB and toolboxes separately
- ▶ TU Wien has a quite strong bundle of toolboxes included in its campus license

# Program

- ▶ A **computer program** (or, briefly, a **program**) is a collection of statements, written in a programming language, that performs a specific task when executed by a computer
  - Statement = **declaration** or **instruction**
    - **Declaration** = e.g., definition of variables
    - **Instruction** = ‘do something’
  - Example: Search for a phonebook entry
  - Example: Compute the value of an integral

# Algorithm

- ▶ An **algorithm** is a finite sequence of unambiguous operations which specifies how to solve a problem (or a class of problems)
  - **Example:** Compute the solution of a linear system of equations via Gaussian elimination
  - **Example:** Compute the zero of a quadratic polynomial using the quadratic formula
  - **Note:** A program is only an algorithm if it stops eventually
- ▶ There exist many algorithms to solve a problem
  - Not all algorithms are “good”
    - What does “good” mean? (see later)

## Source code

- ▶ Text of a computer program written in a programming language
- ▶ It is processed **step-by-step** while executing or compiling
- ▶ In the easiest situation: **sequentially**
  - Line-by-line
  - From the top to the bottom

## Programming language

- ▶ Programming languages can be classified into **interpreted** and **compiled** languages
- ▶ The **interpreter** executes source code line-by-line during the “translation”
  - i.e., translate and execute at the same time
  - e.g., Matlab, Java, PHP, Python
- ▶ The **compiler** “translates” the source code and produces a stand-alone program written in assembly language (executable)
  - i.e., first translate, then execute
  - e.g., C, C++, Fortran
- ▶ Alternative classification:
  - **Imperative languages**, e.g., Matlab, C, Fortran
  - **Object-oriented languages**, e.g., C++, Java
  - **Functional languages**, e.g., Lisp, Haskell

# Start MATLAB

- ▶ Windows/Mac OS
  - graphical interface
- ▶ UNIX/Linux
  - Enter `matlab` in UNIX-Shell to start
    - **note:** UNIX is case sensitive
  - If possible: graphical interface
  - Or: text-only `matlab -nodisplay`
  - Or: text-based with figures `matlab -nodesktop`

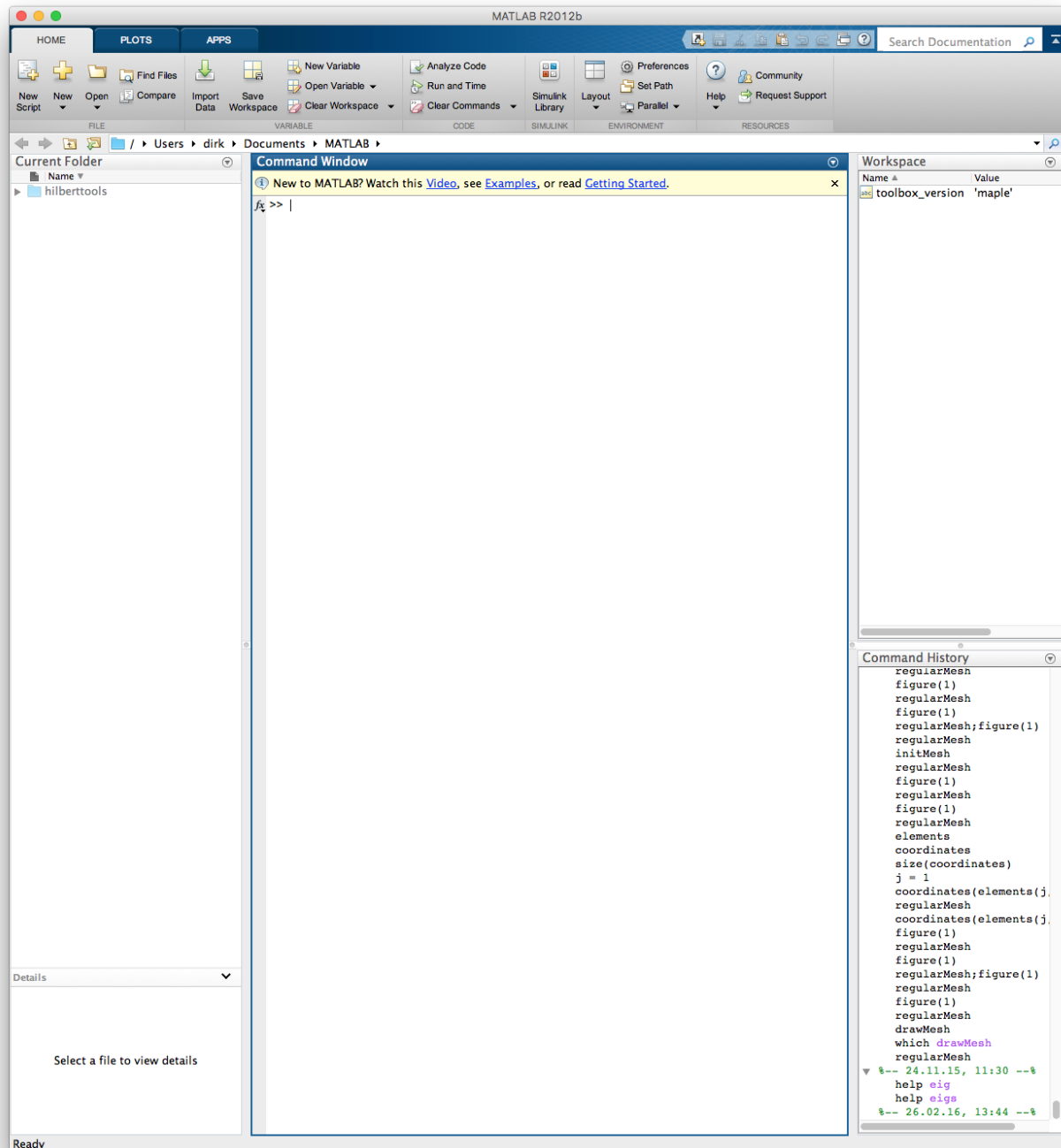
## MATLAB Command Window

- ▶ Main window of MATLAB is **Command Window**
- ▶ MATLAB shell is a command line
  - The MATLAB shells knows the most important UNIX commands, e.g., `ls`, `mkdir`, ...
  - Further UNIX commands are available in MATLAB shell via `!command`
- ▶ MATLAB can be used like a pocket calculator

## Quit MATLAB

- ▶ Enter `exit` into MATLAB shell

# Screenshot MATLAB



- ▶ middle = MATLAB shell
- ▶ left = current directory
- ▶ upper/right = variables in workspace
- ▶ lower/right = last commands entered

# Variable

- ▶ **Variable** = symbolic name (**identifier**) of a storage location (**memory address**) containing some quantity of information (**value**)

## Variable names (identifiers)

- ▶ Made of letters, digits and underscore `_`
  - in MATLAB: maximum length = 63
  - in MATLAB: The first character must be a letter
- ▶ in MATLAB (and usually): Variable names are case-sensitive
  - i.e. `Var`, `var`, `VAR` are three different variables
- ▶ **Usual convention:** `lowercase_with_underscores`

## Data types

- ▶ Usually, the **data type** of a variable must be declared before using it
- ▶ Elementary data types:
  - **Floating-point numbers** for values in  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$ , e.g., `double`
  - **Integer** for values in  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$
  - Characters (letters), e.g., `char`

# Working in Workspace

- ▶ **Dynamic declaration of variables**
  - i.e., variables are generated by first assignment
  - No formal declaration (and data type) is needed
- ▶ By default, all variables are **double**
- ▶ All arithmetic operations can be used
- ▶ End of statement by line feed
- ▶ Some statements provide an echo / output
  - that can be suppressed by use of a semicolon

## Example

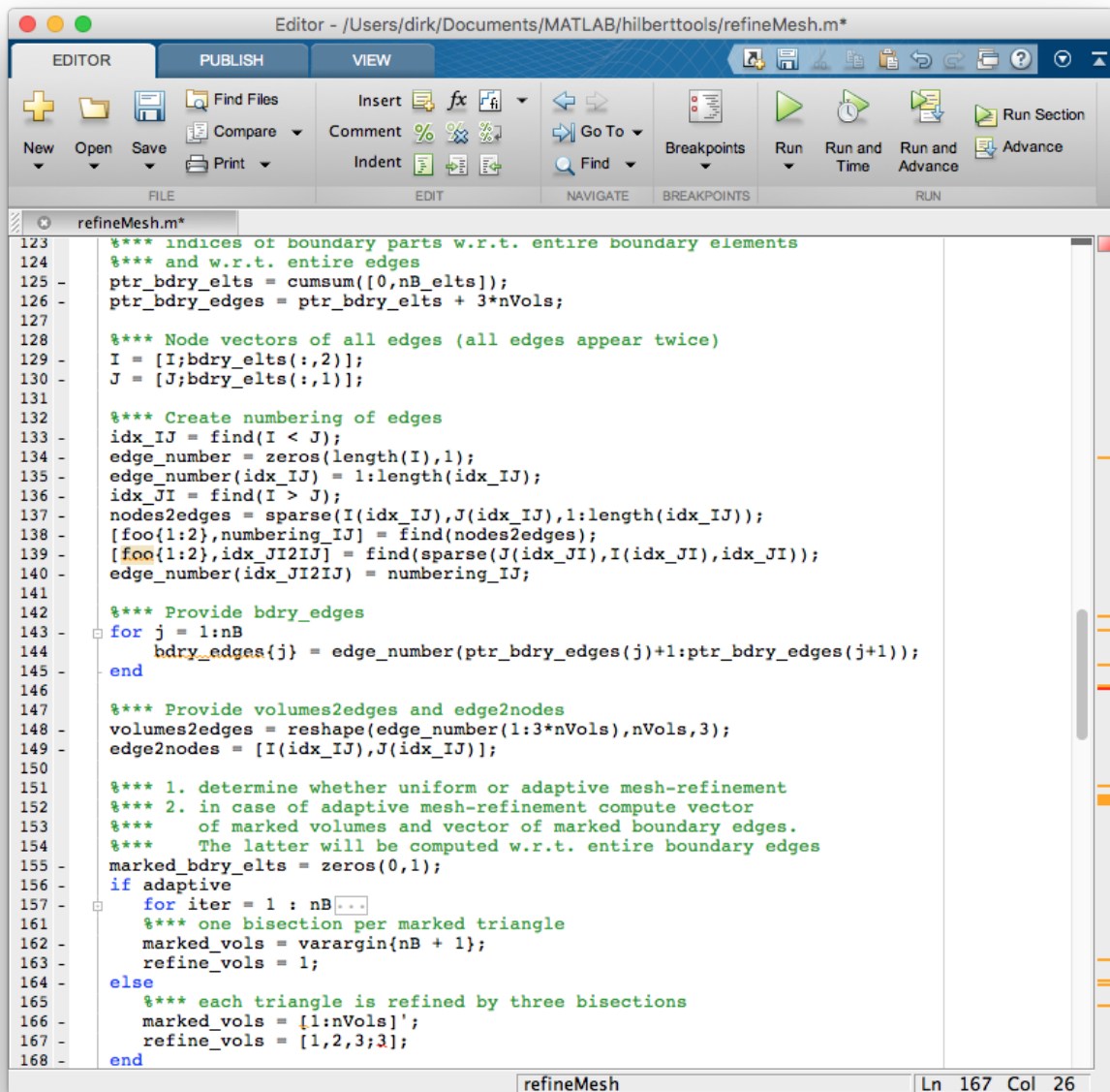
- ▶ Start MATLAB by entering **matlab** in Unix shell
- ▶ Create variables  $a = 3$  and  $b = 2.5$ 
  - » `a=3`
  - leads to echo: `a = 3`
  - » `b=2.5;`
  - No echo because of semicolon
- ▶ Compute  $\sqrt{ab}$ 
  - » `sqrt(a*b)`
  - Leads to echo: `ans = 2.7386`
- ▶ Result of last computation is always stored in system variable **ans** (“answer”)
- ▶ **sqrt** is square root function in MATLAB

# MATLAB files

- ▶ MATLAB is an interpreted language
- ▶ MATLAB files are called `name.m`, and there are two types of MATLAB files `name.m`
  - **Script files**
    - They are executed by entering `name` at the MATLAB command line
    - They contain a sequence of statements that are sequentially executed
    - They modify the workspace memory (i.e., variables are changed)
    - They must not start with functions, but may contain local functions (which can only be called from inside the script)
  - **Function files**
    - First line of file declares the main function  
`function output = name(input)`
    - Function name `name`  $\Leftrightarrow$  file name `name.m`
    - End of function is given by `end`
    - Then, the function can be called from outside by `out = name(in)`
    - A file can contain further functions, but only the main function can be called from outside
    - All variables in functions are local variables, i.e., they can only be accessed during runtime of the function
- ▶ Executing is interrupted by `Ctrl+C` during runtime



# Screenshot MATLAB-Editor



```
123 %*** indices of boundary parts w.r.t. entire boundary elements
124 %*** and w.r.t. entire edges
125 ptr_bdry_elts = cumsum([0,nB_elts]);
126 ptr_bdry_edges = ptr_bdry_elts + 3*nVols;
127
128 %*** Node vectors of all edges (all edges appear twice)
129 I = [I;bdry_elts(:,2)];
130 J = [J;bdry_elts(:,1)];
131
132 %*** Create numbering of edges
133 idx_IJ = find(I < J);
134 edge_number = zeros(length(I),1);
135 edge_number(idx_IJ) = 1:length(idx_IJ);
136 idx_JI = find(I > J);
137 nodes2edges = sparse(I(idx_IJ),J(idx_IJ),1:length(idx_IJ));
138 [foo{1:2},numbering_IJ] = find(nodes2edges);
139 [foo{1:2},idx_JI2IJ] = find(sparse(J(idx_JI),I(idx_JI),idx_JI));
140 edge_number(idx_JI2IJ) = numbering_IJ;
141
142 %*** Provide bdry_edges
143 for j = 1:nB
144     bdry_edges{j} = edge_number(ptr_bdry_edges(j)+1:ptr_bdry_edges(j+1));
145 end
146
147 %*** Provide volumes2edges and edge2nodes
148 volumes2edges = reshape(edge_number(1:3*nVols),nVols,3);
149 edge2nodes = [I(idx_IJ),J(idx_IJ)];
150
151 %*** 1. determine whether uniform or adaptive mesh-refinement
152 %*** 2. in case of adaptive mesh-refinement compute vector
153 %*** of marked volumes and vector of marked boundary edges.
154 %*** The latter will be computed w.r.t. entire boundary edges
155 marked_bdry_elts = zeros(0,1);
156 if adaptive
157     for iter = 1 : nB
158         %*** one bisection per marked triangle
159         marked_vols = varargin{nB + 1};
160         refine_vols = 1;
161     else
162         %*** each triangle is refined by three bisections
163         marked_vols = [1:nVols]';
164         refine_vols = [1,2,3;3];
165     end
166 end
```

- ▶ MATLAB command `edit` opens editor window
- ▶ left = line numbers (and possible break points)
- ▶ left = code folding for loops
  - line 143 (non-folded), line 157 (folded loop)
- ▶ right = real-time code check
  - green = code OK
  - orange = recommendations / improvements
  - red = errors

# Help!

- ▶ MATLAB has built-in help / documentation of all functions
  - `help` `command`
    - text based in MATLAB shell
  - `doc` `command`
    - opens full documentation in help window
- ▶ full online documentation
  - <http://www.mathworks.com/products/matlab/>

## Good to know

- ▶ MATLAB is *case sensitive* for names of variables and functions
- ▶ many MATLAB commands are actually m-files
  - Exception: all linear algebra functions are taken from the LAPACK library
    - so-called `MATLAB built-in functions`
  - `which` `command` returns directory + filename
    - One can copy and adapt `command` if needed
  - `type` `command` shows MATLAB code if m-file
  - `edit` `command` opens MATLAB code in editor
    - if you are working with MATLAB in a graphical environment
- ▶ Example: `lu`, `fft` (built-in), `pcg` (m-file)

# Variables

- ▶ dynamic declaration
- ▶ dynamic memory allocation
- ▶ all variables are matrices
- ▶ complex numbers
- ▶ assignment operator
- ▶ semicolon

- ▶ `double, char, logical`
- ▶ `real, imag`
- ▶ `'...'`
- ▶ imaginary unit `i`

## Dynamic declaration

- ▶ `=` is the assignment operator
- ▶ Variables are declared through first assignment
  - `var = 7;` assigns `var` the value 7
    - Data type is chosen according to assignment
    - Standard data type for all numbers is `double`
  - `var = 'hello';` assigns `var` the string `hello`
    - String = row vector of type `char`
- ▶ Each assignment updates the data type
  - e.g., `var = 7; var = 'hallo';` is admissible

## Semicolon

- ▶ Lines ending with semicolon `;` suppress the result output (so-called echo)
  - `var = 7` assignment with echo
    - `>> var = 7`
  - `var = 7;` assignment without echo

# Data types

- ▶ All numeric variables are a-priori **double**
  - according to IEEE 754 standard
  - i.e., floating point numbers with approximately 16 significant digits
- ▶ MATLAB provides also other numeric data types
  - e.g., **single**, **int8**, etc.
- ▶ Data type **char** for characters (letters)
- ▶ Data type **logical** for logical results
  - Takes only two values: **0 false**, **1 true**
  - Numeric values  $\neq 0$  are interpreted as **true**

# Complex numbers

- ▶ All MATLAB arithmetics is provided for complex numbers
  - imaginary unit is **i** or **1i** (and also **j** or **1j**)
  - **var = 7 + 5i**; assigns **var** the value  $7 + 5i$ 
    - **Note:** Only here, **\*** can be omitted
    - e.g., **5.5i** and **5.5\*i** is both OK
  - real and imaginary part are stored as **double**
    - also other data types are possible

## Further numeric data types

- ▶ MATLAB knows further numeric data types
  - `single`
    - according to IEEE 754 standard
    - i.e., floating point numbers with approximately 8 significant digits
    - corresponds to `float` in C/C++
  - `int8`, `int16`, `int32`, `int64`
    - for integers (with fixed bit length)
    - `int32` (4 Byte) corresponds to `int` in C/C++
  - `uint8`, `uint16`, `uint32`, `uint64`
    - unsigned integer
- ▶ Will not be used in this lecture!
- ▶ MATLAB behaves differently than other programming languages. Therefore, I do not use other numeric data types than `double`.
  - `>> a = int8(3.7)`  
Echo: `a = 4`
    - C would return the value 3 (truncation instead of rounding)
  - `>> b = single(4)*double(3)`  
Echo: `b = 12`
  - But `b` has data type `single`!
    - C would compute the `double` value 12 and would cast it according to the prescribed data type of `b`!

# Names of variables

- ▶ Variables have a unique name
  - MATLAB is **case-sensitive**
  - The maximal length is 63, further characters are ignored
- ▶ Admissible characters for names of variables and functions are
  - **letters** (no special letters like German ö)
  - **digits**
  - **underscore**
- ▶ A name must begin with a letter!
- ▶ Admissible names are, e.g.,
  - A, a, A\_p\_e, a2Dsju\_\_s
- ▶ Non-admissible names are, e.g.,  
3a, äöüß, some-Variable
- ▶ Some names are pre-defined like **pi** or **sin** or **i**
  - They can be overwritten, but this is probably not a good idea in practice
    - e.g., **pi** = 3; would be admissible
  - One can delete a variable **var** via **clear var**
    - If the name was pre-defined, then you return to the original meaning (e.g., **pi**).

# All variables are matrices!

- ▶ In MATLAB, all variables are matrices:
  - `var = 7;` declares a  $1 \times 1$  matrix
  - row vector =  $1 \times N$  matrix
  - column vector =  $N \times 1$  matrix

## Strings

- ▶ There are two ways to handle strings in MATLAB
  - either `"hello"` or `'hello'`
- ▶ `a = 'hello'` creates a  $1 \times 4$  matrix of type `char`
- ▶ `a = "hello"` creates a  $1 \times 1$  matrix which contains a string
  - This variant is better if you need a vector of strings that are not of the same length



# Dynamic memory allocation

- ▶ First assignment to a non-existing entry extends a matrix accordingly
  - new **double** entries are initialized with 0
  - new **char** entries are initialized with blanks
    - Example: `A = 1; A(3) = 7;` extends `A` to a  $1 \times 3$  matrix  $A = (1, 0, 7)$
- ▶ Numerical matrices have always a real and an imaginary part
  - The imaginary part is dynamically allocated if the first entry becomes complex (instead of real)
    - A complex matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is internally stored by two real  $n \times n$  matrices
  - `real(var)` returns the matrix of the real parts
  - `imag(var)` returns the matrix of imaginary parts
- ▶ Try to avoid dynamic re-allocation of matrices, since this leads to unnecessarily high runtime
  - Each allocation calls the memory management of the operating system!
  - MATLAB stores matrices column-wise
    - since the MATLAB kernel is based on LAPACK, which is a Fortran library
    - Whenever a matrix gets new rows, essentially all old entries have to be copied and moved. This leads to a hidden runtime inefficiency!
  - Therefore, allocate matrices at the needed size, before you work with them!

# Vectors

- ▶ Vectors
- ▶ Indexing of vectors and sub-vectors
- ▶ `double`, `char`
- ▶ `length`
- ▶ `sort`, `unique`, `find`
- ▶ `min`, `max`
- ▶ `abs`
- ▶ `sum`, `prod`
- ▶ `zeros`, `ones`, `rand`
- ▶ Operator `'` and `.'`
- ▶ `help strfun`, `doc strfun`

# Vectors

## ► Create a row vector

- `x = [1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8];`
- `x = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8];`
  - Entries are separated by blanks or commas

## ► Create a column vector

- `x = [1;2;3;4;5;6;7;8];`
  - Entries are separated by semicolons
- `x = [1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8]';`
  - Operator `'` means  $A \mapsto A^H := \overline{A}^T$
  - Operator `.'` means  $A \mapsto A^T$

## ► If `x` is a vector, then `x(j)` is the $j$ -th entry $x_j$

- Indices run from  $j = 1, \dots, N$  for  $x \in \mathbb{C}^N$
- The length of a vector is returned by `length(x)`
- Access to a column vector can be done by `x(j,1)`
- Access to a row vector can be done by `x(1,j)`

## ► Dynamic allocation

- `x = 0;` creates  $1 \times 1$  matrix = scalar
- `x(10,1) = 1;` extends `x` to column vector
  - `x` is  $10 \times 1$  matrix = column vector
  - all entries but `x(10)` are 0
- analogously for row vector

## Allocating a vector

- ▶ `x = zeros(N,1);` creates a zero column vector
  - `x = zeros(1,N);` for row vector
- ▶ `x = ones(N,1);` creates col. vector with entries 1
  - `x = ones(1,N);` for row vector
- ▶ `x = rand(N,1);` for col. vector with random entries
  - `x = rand(1,N);` for row vector
- ▶ Function `rand` creates random numbers  $\in [0, 1]$
- ▶ Function `irand` creates random integer numbers
  - see `help irand`

## Creating a row vector

- ▶ `x = start:stepsize:stop;` creates row vector
  - from `start` to  $\leq$ `stop` for `stepsize`  $> 0$
  - from `start` to  $\geq$ `stop` for `stepsize`  $< 0$
  - `stepsize` is optional, default stepsize is 1
    - e.g., `x = 1:8;` yields  $x = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)$
    - e.g., `x = 1:3:8;` yields  $x = (1, 4, 7);$
    - e.g., `x = 8:-3:1;` yields  $x = (8, 5, 2);$
    - nonsense creates `empty matrix`, e.g., `x = 6:2;`
- ▶ Further useful functions are `linspace` and `logspace`

## Concatenating vectors

- ▶  $x$  and  $y$  row vectors
  - $[x \ y]$  concatenated row vector
  - Example:  $x = [1 \ 2 \ 3]$ ;  $y = [4 \ 5]$ ;
    - $[x \ y]$  yields  $[1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5]$
- ▶  $x$  and  $y$  column vectors
  - $[x;y]$  concatenated column vector
  - Example:  $x = [1;2;3]$ ;  $y = [4;5]$ ;
    - $[x;y]$  yields  $[1;2;3;4;5]$

# Indexing

- ▶  $x \in \mathbb{C}^N$  row or column vector
- ▶  $j \in 1, \dots, N \Rightarrow x(j)$  returns  $x_j$
- ▶  $J$  index vector with entries  $\in \{1, \dots, N\}$
- ▶  $x(J)$  is admissible and returns a vector
  - Length depends on length of  $J$
  - Row or column shape depends on  $x$ 
    - $x$  column vector  $\Rightarrow x(J)$  column vector
    - $x$  row vector  $\Rightarrow x(J)$  row vector
- ▶ Example  $x = [1 \ 8 \ 2 \ 7 \ 3 \ 6 \ 4 \ 5 \ 1];$
- ▶  $J = [1 \ 2 \ 1 \ 3]$ 
  - $x(J)$  yields  $[1 \ 8 \ 1 \ 2]$
- ▶  $J = 1:2:9$ 
  - $x(J)$  yields  $[1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 1]$
- ▶  $x(10)$  returns an error, since  $x$  has length 9
  - Index exceeds the number of array elements.

# Assignment

- ▶  $x \in \mathbb{C}^N$  row or column vector
- ▶  $J \in \mathbb{R}^n$  index vector with entries  $\in \{1, \dots, N\}$
- ▶  $x(J) = y$  is admissible,
  - if  $y$  is a scalar
    - Then, assignment  $x(j) = y$  for all  $j \in J$
  - if  $y$  is a vector of length  $n$  with the same shape as  $x$ , i.e., both are row vectors or both are column vectors
    - Then,  $x(J(j)) = y(j)$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$
- ▶ Example:  $x = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5]$ 
  - $x([1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 2]) = [4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 1]$
  - yields  $x = [2 \ 1 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5]$

## Examples on MATLAB elegance

- ▶ Create row vector  $x = (0, 1, 0, 1, \dots) \in \mathbb{R}^N$

```
x = zeros(1,N);  
x(2:2:N) = 1;
```

or

```
x = zeros(1,N);  
x(2:2:end) = 1;
```

- ▶ keyword **end** is short-hand notation for **length(x)**

- ▶ Create row vector  $x = (0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 3, 0, 4, \dots) \in \mathbb{R}^N$

```
x = zeros(1,N);  
x(2:2:end) = 1:N/2;
```

- ▶ Create  $x = (N, 0, N - 1, 0, N - 2, 0, \dots, 1) \in \mathbb{R}^{2N-1}$

```
x = zeros(1,2*N-1);  
x(1:2:end) = N:-1:1;
```

- ▶ Take  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_N)$  and return  $y = (x_N, \dots, x_1)$

```
y = x(end:-1:1);
```

or

```
y = flip(x);
```



# Useful functions on vectors

- ▶ **sort** : sorts a vector in ascending order
  - e.g., `x = [1 8 2 7 3 6 4 5 1];`
  - `sort(x)` yields (1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)
  
- ▶ **unique** : sorts a vector in ascending order and eliminates multiple values
  - `unique(x)` yields (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)
  
- ▶ **find** : returns those indices  $j$ , where the coefficients  $x_j$  satisfy a given condition
  - `find(x>3)` yields (2, 4, 6, 7, 8)
  - `x(find(x>3))` yields (8, 7, 6, 4, 5)
    - see also later → *logical indexing*
  
- ▶ **max, min** : returns maximum / minimum of a vector
  - plus indices, where these are attained
  
- ▶ **abs** : returns the vector of the absolute values
  
- ▶ **sum** : computes the sum of entries  $\sum_{j=1}^N x_j$
  
- ▶ **prod** : computes the product of entries  $\prod_{j=1}^N x_j$

## Examples

- ▶ Compute the factorial  $n!$ 
  - `factorial = prod(1:n);`
- ▶ Sort a vector in descending order
  - `x = sort(x); x = x(end:-1:1);`
  - or: `x(end:-1:1) = sort(x);`
  - or: `x = sort(x,'descend');`
- ▶ Eliminate the minimal entries of a vector
  - e.g.,  $x = (1, 2, 1, 2, 3, 1, 4, 5) \mapsto x = (2, 2, 3, 4, 5)$
  - `x = x( find(x > min(x)) );`
- ▶ Count the number of the minimal entries
  - e.g.,  $x = (1, 2, 1, 2, 3, 1, 4, 5) \rightarrow 3 \times$  minimum
  - `count = length( find(x == min(x)) );`

## An example function

```
1 function [mean,n] = meanDeviation(x,C)
2     mean = sum(x)/length(x);
3     idx = find( (x > mean + C) | (x < mean - C) );
4     n = length(idx);
5 end
```

- ▶ What is the mean of a vector and how many entries are “far” from the mean?

# Strings

- ▶ If we use row vectors of `char` to create strings,
  - then manipulation as for `double` vectors
    - `hello = 'Hello';`
    - `world = 'World!';`
    - `helloworld = [hello, ' ', world];`
    - `helloworld(2:5)` yields `ello`
- ▶ If we use “real” MATLAB strings (e.g., `"hello"`),
  - then we need string functions
    - see `help strfun` or `doc strfun`
  - concatenation via `"Hello" + " " + "World"`
- ▶ Use `disp(text)` to print a string to the shell
  - for both types of strings

# Matrices

- ▶ Matrices
- ▶ Indexing of matrices and sub-matrices
- ▶ `length, size`
- ▶ `zeros, ones, rand, eye`
- ▶ Operator :
- ▶ `help matfun, doc matfun`

# Matrices

- ▶ We can define matrices row-wise (as for vectors)

- $A = [1\ 2\ 3; 4\ 5\ 6];$  creates  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}.$

- ▶ And we can replace the semicolon by a line break

- $A = [1\ 2\ 3$   
     $4\ 5\ 6];$

- ▶ Or we can define the same matrix column-wise

- $A = [[1;4]\ [2;5]\ [3;6]];$

- ▶ Or we can define the same matrix block-wise

- $A = [[1;4]\ [2\ 3;5\ 6]];$

- The dimensions of the blocks must be consistent

- ▶  $C = [A\ B]$  or  $C = [A,B]$  concatenates row-wise

- creates  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times (N+n)}$  from  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times n}$

- with error if the dimensions mismatch:

Error using horzcat

Dimensions of matrices being concatenated  
are not consistent.

- ▶  $C = [A;B]$  concatenates column-wise

- creates  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{(M+n) \times N}$  from  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times N}$

- with error if the dimensions mismatch:

Error using vertcat

Dimensions of matrices being concatenated  
are not consistent.

## Allocating a matrix

- ▶ `A = zeros(M,N);` creates zero matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$
- ▶ `A = ones(M,N);` creates  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$  with  $A_{jk} = 1$
- ▶ `A = rand(M,N);` creates  $A$  with random  $A_{jk} \in [0, 1]$
- ▶ `A = eye(N);` creates the identity matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$
- ▶ Dynamic memory allocation
  - `x = 1:3:12` yields row vector  $x = (1, 4, 7, 10)$
  - `x(100,3) = 5` extends it to  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{100 \times 4}$ 
    - only 5 non-zero entries
- ▶ Recall that changing the size of a matrix is a costly operator due to the internal storage and the memory management
  - Hence, it is recommended to allocate matrices in advance!

## Indexing 1/3

- ▶  $A(j,k)$  yields access to entry  $A_{jk}$ 
  - with  $j = 1, \dots, M$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, N$  for  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N}$
- ▶ Since matrices are stored columnwise as a vector, MATLAB allows access via  $A(\ell)$  for  $1 \leq \ell \leq MN$ 
  - e.g.,  $A(4) = 5$  for  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$
- ▶ The dimensions of  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N}$  are returned by
  - $[M,N] = \text{size}(A);$
  - $M = \text{size}(A,1);$  and  $N = \text{size}(A,2);$
  - $\text{length}(A)$  yields  $\max\{M, N\}$
  - $\text{numel}(A)$  yields  $MN$

## Indexing 2/3

- ▶ MATLAB allows block-wise indexing of matrices
  - $A \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N}$
  - $J$  vector with entries  $\in \{1, \dots, M\}$
  - $K$  vector with entries  $\in \{1, \dots, N\}$
  - Then,  $A(J, K)$  returns a matrix, whose dimension depends on the lengths of  $J$  and  $K$
- ▶  $A = [1 \ 2 \ 3; 4 \ 5 \ 6]$ ; declares  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- ▶  $A([1 \ 2 \ 1], [1 \ 3])$  yields  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- ▶ Operator  $:$  stands for the full index set
  - $A(1, :)$  yields the first row of  $A$
  - $A(:, [1 \ 2])$  yields  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- ▶  $A(:)$  returns  $A$  as its storage vector
  - and yields  $(1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6)$
  - Note the columnwise storage of  $A$
- ▶ The keyword **end** stands for the maximum index per dimension
  - $A(:, 1:2:\text{end})$  yields  $A(:, [1 \ 3])$
  - since **end** is  $\text{size}(A, 2)$  for this use



## Indexing 3/3

- ▶ Indexing allows to cancel rows from a matrix
  - e.g.,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $A(1,:) = []$ ; yields  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ 
    - where  $[]$  is the empty matrix
  
- ▶ Indexing allows to cancel columns from a matrix
  - $A(:,2) = []$ ; yields  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $A(:, [2 \ 3]) = []$ ; yields  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$
  
- ▶ Alternatively, use  $A = A(I,J)$  with index vectors  $I,J$ 
  - e.g.,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $A = A([1 \ 2], :)$  yields  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $A = A([1 \ 2], [2 \ 3])$  yields  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

## Useful functions on matrices

- ▶ Essentially all MATLAB functions are natively provided for matrices
  - e.g., `help sort` or `doc sort`
    - [...] For vectors, `sort(X)` sorts the elements of  $X$  in ascending order. For matrices, `sort(X)` sorts each column of  $X$  in ascending order. [...]
- ▶ The same applies for math functions, which usually return the matrix with entries  $f(A_{ij})$ 
  - e.g., `exp`, `log`, `sin`, `cos`, `tan`
- ▶ Available functions from numerical linear algebra:
  - `help matfun`, `doc matfun`

# Operators

- ▶ matrix arithmetics
- ▶ scalar-matrix arithmetics
- ▶ entry-wise arithmetics
- ▶ logical operators

▶ +   -   \*   /   \

▶ .\*   ./   .\   .^

▶ ^

## Matrix arithmetics 1/3

- ▶ All variables are matrices
- ▶ Therefore, the standard arithmetics is a matrix arithmetics
- ▶  $+$ ,  $-$  depends on the dimensions:
  - either matrix  $\pm$  matrix (entry-wise)
  - or scalar  $\pm$  matrix in each entry
  - or matrix  $\pm$  scalar in each entry
  - Recall: Same dimension or one is a scalar!
    - Otherwise, you get an error:  
Error using +  
Matrix dimensions must agree.
- ▶ e.g.,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 20 \\ 30 & 40 \end{pmatrix}$ 
  - $C = A + 10$  yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $C = 10 + A$  yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $C = 1 - A$  yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $C = A + B$  yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 22 \\ 33 & 44 \end{pmatrix}$

## Matrix arithmetics 2/3

- ▶ \* depends on the dimensions:
  - either matrix \* matrix (usual matrix product)
  - or scalar \* matrix in each entry
  - or matrix \* scalar in each entry
  - Recall: Fitting dimension or one is a scalar!
- ▶ e.g.,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 20 \\ 30 & 40 \end{pmatrix}$ 
  - $C = A * 10$  yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 20 \\ 30 & 40 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $C = 10 * A$  yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 20 \\ 30 & 40 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $C = A * B$  yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 70 & 100 \\ 150 & 220 \end{pmatrix}$

## Matrix arithmetics 3/3

- ▶ Division  $\backslash$  and  $/$  depends on the dimensions:
  - either matrix-scalar Division (entry-wise)
  - or solution of a linear system
    - for  $x$  scalar and  $A$  matrix,  $x \backslash A = A/x$
    - for  $X$  and  $A$  matrices the order matters:
      - $X \backslash A \mapsto X^{-1}A$
      - $A \backslash X \mapsto A^{-1}X$
      - $X/A \mapsto XA^{-1}$
      - $A/X \mapsto AX^{-1}$
  - NOTE:  $\backslash$  and  $/$  are also defined for non-invertible matrices via regression

▶ e.g.,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$

- $A / 2$  yields  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$
- $2 \backslash A$  yields  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$
- $X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = AX = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 12 & 18 \\ 14 & 28 & 42 \end{pmatrix}$
- $A \backslash B$  yields  $X$
- $B / A$  yields error  
 Error using  $/$   
 Matrix dimensions must agree.

## Entry-wise arithmetics 1/2

- ▶  $+$ ,  $-$  are entry-wise addition/subtraction
  - matrix  $\pm$  matrix for matrices of the same dim.
  - or scalar  $\pm$  matrix
  - or matrix  $\pm$  scalar

- ▶  $.*$  is entry-wise multiplication
  - for matrices of the same dimension
    - i.e.,  $X.*A$  yields matrix with entries  $X_{jk}A_{jk}$
  - or scalar-matrix multiplication
  - or matrix-scalar multiplication
    - identical to  $*$  in the latter cases

- ▶ e.g.,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 20 \\ 30 & 40 \end{pmatrix}$

- $C = A*10$  and  $C = A.*10$  yield  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 20 \\ 30 & 40 \end{pmatrix}$
- $C = A*B$  yields matrix product  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 70 & 100 \\ 150 & 220 \end{pmatrix}$
- $C = A.*B$  yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 40 \\ 90 & 160 \end{pmatrix}$

## Entry-wise arithmetics 2/2

- ▶ `./` and `.\` entry-wise division
  - for matrices of the same dimension
  - or scalar-matrix division
  - or matrix-scalar division
  
- ▶ `.^` entry-wise power
  - for matrices of the same dimension
    - i.e., `X.^A` yields matrix with entries  $X_{jk}^{A_{jk}}$
  - or scalar-matrix `x.^A` yields matrix with  $x^{A_{jk}}$
  - or matrix-scalar `X.^a` yields matrix with  $X_{jk}^a$
  
- ▶ `^` normal matrix power
  - matrix `^` scalar is only defined for quadratic matrices!
    - `A^3` means `A*A*A`
  
- ▶ e.g.,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ 
  - `C = A^2` yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 10 \\ 15 & 22 \end{pmatrix}$
  - `C = A.^2` yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 9 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$
  - `C = 2.^A` yields  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 8 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$



## Arithmetics instead of loops

- ▶ Often, loops from other programming languages can be avoided in MATLAB by means of vector arithmetics (and appropriate vector functions)
- ▶ Usually, this is more efficient, since built-in functions are optimized
  - i.e., same computational cost as for loops
  - but much faster due to precompiled kernel-code

## Example: Supremum norm

- ▶  $\|x\| = \max_{j=1,\dots,N} |x_j|$  on  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , e.g., in C

```
int j = 0;
double tmp = 0;
double norm = fabs(x[0]);
for (j=1; j<N; ++j) {
    tmp = fabs(x[j]);
    if (tmp > norm) {
        norm = tmp;
    }
}
```

- ▶ MATLAB is closer to mathematical thinking:
  - Create vector of absolute values `abs(x)`
  - Take the maximum of this vector
  - `result = max(abs(x));`
- ▶ Computational cost is still  $\mathcal{O}(N)$ !

## Example: Scalar product

- ▶  $x \cdot y = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j y_j$  is the scalar product on  $\mathbb{R}^N$ 
  - We interpret this as a matrix-matrix product
    - with  $(1 \times N)$  matrix  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $(N \times 1)$  matrix  $\mathbf{y}$
  - If  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  are row vectors, we get `result = x*y'`;
  - or: `result = sum(x.*y)`;
    - which also works if  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  are column vectors

## Example: Frobenius norm

- ▶ The Frobenius norm reads  $\|A\| = \left( \sum_{j,k=1}^N A_{jk}^2 \right)^{1/2}$
- ▶ in C:

```
int j,k;
double norm = 0;
for (j=0; j<N; ++j) {
    for (k=0; k<N; ++k) {
        norm = norm + A[j][k]*A[j][k];
    }
}
result = sqrt(norm);
```

- ▶ in MATLAB: Square all entries and sum it up
  - `result = sqrt( sum( sum(A.^2, 2) ) );`
  - `result = sqrt( sum(A(:).^2) );`
  - `result = norm(A,'fro');`

## Example: Evaluate polynomial

- ▶ Consider the polynomial  $p(x) = \sum_{j=0}^N a_j x^j$ 
  - suppose that **a** is a row vector, **x** is a scalar
  - Recall that MATLAB indices are  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ 
    - i.e.,  $N = \text{length}(\mathbf{a}) - 1$
  - `result = sum( a.*(x.^[0:length(a)-1]))` ;
  - or: `result = a*(x.^[0:length(a)-1])'` ;

## Example: Vandermonde matrix

- ▶ Given  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , create  $X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_1^2 & x_1^3 & \cdots & x_1^n \\ x_2 & x_2^2 & x_2^3 & \cdots & x_2^n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n & x_n^2 & x_n^3 & \cdots & x_n^n \end{pmatrix}$

- ▶ Idea:  $X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_1 & \cdots & x_1 \\ x_2 & x_2 & \cdots & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n & x_n & \cdots & x_n \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \end{pmatrix}$

- ▶ With column vector **x**, this is done as follows

```
n = length(x);  
X = x * ones(1,n);  
X = X .^ ( ones(n,1) * (1:n) );
```

# Logical operators

- ▶ logical NOT  $\sim$
- ▶ logical OR  $|$  (general) ,  $||$  (short circuit, only scalars)
- ▶ logical AND  $\&$  (general),  $\&\&$  (short circuit, only scalars)
  
- ▶ less  $<$
- ▶ less or equal  $\leq$
- ▶ greater  $>$
- ▶ greater or equal  $\geq$
- ▶ equal  $==$
- ▶ unequal  $\sim=$
  
- ▶ These operators apply entry-wise
  - for matrices of the same dimension
  - or for matrix-scalar or scalar-matrix
- ▶ They return the matrix with the corresponding logical results
  
- ▶ `any(a > b)` is an iterated OR for vectors
- ▶ `all(a > b)` is an iterated AND for vectors
  - For matrices, see `help any` and `help all`

# Logical indexing

- ▶ `x` vector of length  $N$
- ▶ `J` **logical** vector of length  $N$  with  $J(k) \in \{0, 1\}$
- ▶ Then, `x(J)` is sub-vector of all `x(k)` with  $J(k) == 1$
- ▶ e.g., `x = [1 8 2 7 3 6 4 5 1];`
  - `x > 3` yields `[0 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 0]`
    - resulting data type is **logical**, *not double*
  - `x(x > 3)` yields `[8 7 6 4 5]`
- ▶ NOTE: Indexing with **logical** vs. **double**
  - `J = [1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1];` (hence **double**)
    - `x(J)` yields `[4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4]`
    - `x(logical(J))` yields `[1 8 2 7 3 6 4 5 1]`
  - Note the error for `x([0 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 0])`
    - Subscript indices must either be real positive integers or logicals.
- ▶ **find** returns indices of non-zero entries of a vector
  - `x > 3` yields `[0 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 0]`
  - `find(x > 3)` yields `[2 4 6 7 8]`
- ▶ Example: How many entries of `x` are  $> 3$ ?
  - `count = length( find(x > 3) );`
  - or: `count = sum(x > 3);`
  - or: `count = nnz(x > 3);`

## Examples

- ▶ Has  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$  at least one positive entry?
  - `answer = any( x > 0 );`
- ▶ Has  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$  only positive entries?
  - `answer = all( x > 0 );`
- ▶ Replace all entries of  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$  with  $|x_j| > C$  by  $\text{sign}(x_j) C$ 
  - `x( x > C ) = C;`
  - `x( x < -C ) = -C;`
- ▶ Delete minimal entries from  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ 
  - `x = x( x > min(x) );`
  - or: `x( x == min(x) ) = [];`

# Functions

- ▶ Structure of a MATLAB function
- ▶ Comment lines
- ▶ Call by Value
- ▶ local and global variables

▶ `function`

▶ `%`

▶ `global`

▶ `return`

# Structure of a function

```
1  function output = name(input)
2
3  % This text will be shown if "help name" is input
4  % at the MATLAB prompt. Therefore, this text
5  % should comment on
6  % - How can the function be called?
7  % - What will be done?
8  % - What is the necessary (and optional) input?
9  % - What is the output?
10 % This is the final line of the help text.
11
12 % After the empty line, one should comment on
13 % author / source / copyright / last modified etc.
14
15 % Here comes the function body (ended by "end").
16
17 end
18
19 function y = subfunction(x)
20
21 % This is a subfunction that can only be called
22 % from functions inside this file. There should
23 % be comments on what is done / what is input.
24
25 end
```

- ▶ `%` indicates a comment, i.e., the text after `%` until the end of line is only for the programmer and will not be executed by the MATLAB interpreter
- ▶ The first contiguous block of comment lines right after `function` will be shown when `help name` is input at the MATLAB prompt
- ▶ Line numbers are not part of the source code



# Possible function declarations

- ▶ **now:** fixed number of input and output parameters
- ▶ **function name** or **function name()**
  - no input parameters
  - no output parameters
  - called by: **name**; or **name()**;
- ▶ **function name(in1,in2,...)**
  - finitely many input parameters indicated by ...
  - no output
  - called by: **name(in1,in2,...)**;
- ▶ **function out = name**
  - no input [optional () for declaration and call]
  - one single output parameter
  - called by: **out = name**;
- ▶ **function out = name(in1,in2,...)**
  - finitely many input parameters indicated by ...
  - one single output parameter
  - called by: **out = name(in1,in2,...)**;
- ▶ **function [out1,out2,...] = name**
  - no input [optional () for declaration and call]
  - finitely many output parameters indicated by ...
  - called by: **[out1,out2,...] = name**;
- ▶ **function [out1,out2,...] = name(in1,in2,...)**
  - finitely many input parameters indicated by ...
  - finitely many output parameters indicated by ...
  - called by: **[out1,out2,...] = name(in1,in2,...)**;

## Call by value

- ▶ MATLAB employs **call by value**, i.e., functions get all input as values and store these in local variables (with dynamic declaration)
- ▶ All variables that are declared in the signature as well as the body of a function are local variables
  - If a function changes a variable, this has no effect for the calling code (or the workspace)
    - i.e., `fct(var);` does not change the value of `var` for the calling code
  - All variables that are declared in a function lose their lifetime when the function terminates
- ▶ There is no **call by reference** for standard MATLAB functions
  - If a function should change the value of a variable, then it must return this value
    - i.e., one must employ `var = fct(var);`

## Output and return value

- ▶ The names of the output variables are fixed by the function declaration
  - The data type of the output is dynamic
- ▶ The return value of an output variable is the value that is assigned, when the function terminates
- ▶ A function terminates if the interpreter meets the function's **end** or when it meets the keyword **return**
  - Unlike other programming languages, **return** does not have any argument

## Keyword **global**

- ▶ MATLAB knows global variables, but these should only be used for debugging
  - Global variables must be declared by **global var** in calling code and called function **fct**
  - And **var** must not be an input parameter of **fct**
  - Then, changes of **var** in **fct** also change the value of **var** in the calling code.

## Example: supremum norm

```
1  function result = supremumNorm(x)
2
3  % This function computes the supremum norm
4  %
5  %   || x || = max_{j=1...N} |x_j|
6  %
7  % of a vector x in C^N.
8  %
9  % RESULT = supremumNorm(X) returns the supremum
10 % norm of X, where X is a numeric row or
11 % column vector.
12
13 % author: Dirk Praetorius
14 % last modified: 06.03.2022
15
16 result = max(abs(x));
```

► This is also provided by MATLAB as `norm(x,Inf)`

## Example: evaluate polynomial

```
1  function px = evaluatePolynomial(a,x)
2
3  % This function evaluates a polynomial p(x) that
4  % is given in terms of its coefficient vector.
5  %
6  % PX = evaluatePolynomial(A,X), where A is a row
7  % vector and X is a scalar. The return value is
8  %
9  %   PX = sum(j=1...length(A)) A(j)*X^(j-1)
10 %
11 % i.e., A(1) is the coefficient in front of
12 % the smallest power X^0 and p(x) is of
13 % degree n = length(A)-1.
14
15 % author: Dirk Praetorius
16 % last modified: 06.03.2022
17
18 px = a * (x.^[0:length(a)-1])' ;
```

- ▶ MATLAB employs indexing  $j = 1, \dots, N + 1$
- ▶  $p(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{N+1} a_j x^{j-1}$  is a polynomial of degree  $N$ 
  - Given:  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$
  - Goal: compute  $p(x)$

## Ex: polynomial interpolation 1/4

- ▶ Given: Values of a continuous function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- ▶ Sought: Polynomial  $p$  of degree  $N$  with  $p \approx f$
- ▶ Fix  $p$  by  $p(x_j) = f(x_j)$  for  $j = 0, \dots, N$ 
  - with  $x_0, \dots, x_N \in [a, b]$  being pairwise different
- ▶ Mathematical questions:
  - Existence and uniqueness of  $p$ ?
  - How to compute  $p$ ?
- ▶ Consider the space  $\mathbb{P}_N = \{p \text{ poly. of degree } \leq N\}$ 
  - i.e.,  $p \in \mathbb{P}_N$  can be written as  $p(x) = \sum_{j=0}^N a_j x^j$
  - **clearly:**  $\mathbb{P}_N$  is a vector space with  $\dim \mathbb{P}_N \leq N + 1$
  - **next step:**  $\dim \mathbb{P}_N \geq N + 1$  by construction

- ▶ Define  $L_j(x) := \prod_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \neq j}}^N \frac{x - x_k}{x_j - x_k}$  for all  $j = 0, \dots, N$ 
  - **clearly:**  $L_j \in \mathbb{P}_N$ ,  $L_j(x_j) = 1$ ,  $L_j(x_k) = 0$  for  $k \neq j$
  - **next:**  $\{L_0, \dots, L_N\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}_N$  are linearly independent
    - Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$  with  $0 = \sum_{j=0}^N a_j L_j$
    - Then,  $0 = \sum_{j=0}^N a_j L_j(x_k) = a_k$  for all  $k$
    - **thus:**  $a = 0$ , which proves linear independence

## Ex: polynomial interpolation 2/4

- ▶  $\mathbb{P}_N = \{p \text{ polynomial of degree } \leq N\}$ 
  - $\dim \mathbb{P}_N \leq N + 1$
  - $\{L_0, \dots, L_N\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}_N$  linearly independent
  - **hence:**  $\dim \mathbb{P}_N = N + 1$
  
- ▶ Consider the evaluation  $Tp := (p(x_0), \dots, p(x_N))$ 
  - $T : \mathbb{P}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$
  - **clearly:**  $T$  linear
  - **goal:**  $T$  is surjective
    - **show that:**  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1} \exists p \in \mathbb{P}_N : Tp = a$
    - Given  $a \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$ , define  $p := \sum_{j=0}^N a_j L_j$
    - Then,  $p(x_k) = \sum_{j=0}^N a_j L_j(x_k) = a_k$
  
- ▶ One main theorem of Linear Algebra:
  - $\dim(\text{domain}) = \dim(\text{range}) + \dim(\text{nullspace})$
  
- ▶ **here:**  $\dim \mathbb{P}_N = \dim T(\mathbb{P}_N) + \dim \ker(T)$
  
- ▶ **hence:**  $\dim \ker(T) = 0$
  
- ▶ **hence:**  $T$  is injective and hence even bijective
  - **overall:**  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1} \exists! p \in \mathbb{P}_N : Tp = a$

## Ex: polynomial interpolation 3/4

- ▶  $T : \mathbb{P}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$ ,  $Tp := (p(x_0), \dots, p(x_N))$ 
  - linear and bijective
- ▶ **Given:** Values of a continuous function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ 
  - Then, there exists a unique  $p \in \mathbb{P}_N$ 
    - with  $p(x_j) = f(x_j)$  for all  $j = 0, \dots, N$
- ▶ **Question:** How to compute  $p$ ?
- ▶ Consider the monome basis  $p(x) = \sum_{j=0}^N a_j x^j$ 
  - **then:**  $a \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1} \mapsto (p(x_0), \dots, p(x_N)) = \mathbf{T}a$
  - **clearly:** The matrix takes the following form

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0^0 & x_0^1 & x_0^2 & \cdots & x_0^N \\ x_1^0 & x_1^1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^N \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_N^0 & x_N^1 & x_N^2 & \cdots & x_N^N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 & x_0^2 & \cdots & x_0^N \\ 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^N \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & x_N & x_N^2 & \cdots & x_N^N \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ **from Linear Algebra:**  $\mathbf{T}$  is invertible
- ▶ Define  $b := (f(x_0), \dots, f(x_N)) \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$ 
  - Define  $a := \mathbf{T}^{-1}b$
  - Then,  $p(x) := \sum_{j=0}^N a_j x^j$  is the unique  $p \in \mathbb{P}_N$  with  $p(x_j) = f(x_j)$  for all  $j = 0, \dots, N$



## Ex: polynomial interpolation 4/4

```
1  function a = fitpol(b,x)
2
3  % For given vectors X and B in R^n with pairwise
4  % different entries X(j), this function computes
5  % the coefficient vector A of the unique Lagrange
6  % interpolation polynomial of degree n-1.
7  %
8  % A = fitpol(B,X), where A, B, and X are column
9  % vectors of the same length n. Then, the
10 % polynomial
11 %
12 %   p(x) = sum(j=1...length(B)) A(j)*x^(j-1)
13 %
14 % satisfies
15 %
16 %   p(X(j)) = B(j) for all j = 1,...,n
17
18 % author: Dirk Praetorius
19 % last modified: 07.03.2022
20
21 n = length(x);
22 T = (x * ones(1,n)) .^ (ones(n,1) * (0:n-1));
23 a = T\b;
```

$$\blacktriangleright \mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^0 & x_1^1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^{N-1} \\ x_2^0 & x_2^1 & x_2^2 & \cdots & x_2^{N-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_N^0 & x_N^1 & x_N^2 & \cdots & x_N^{N-1} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$$

$$\blacktriangleright a = \mathbf{T}^{-1}b$$

## Function handles

- ▶ Recall that in MATLAB the use of a function name `fct` calls the function.
- ▶ If a function should be the input argument of another function, then one must use so-called **function handles**
- ▶ If `fct` is a function, then `@fct` provides the function handle.
  - Let `fct` be of the type `output = fct(input)`
  - Then, `ptr = @fct` assigns the function handle of `fct` to `ptr`
  - One can call `fct` also by `output = ptr(input)`
    - cf. function pointers in C
- ▶ In particular, `@fct` can be the input argument of another function (e.g., an implementation of Newton's method)

## Passing functions to functions

- ▶ Functions can take other functions as input by taking either their name or their function handle
- ▶ In either case, one can evaluate this argument via `output = feval(fct,input)`
  - e.g., `y = feval('sin',x);`
  - e.g., `y = feval(@sin,x);`

## Anonymous functions

- ▶ Sometimes it is useful to create simple functions just in one line of code
- ▶ Using the function handle operator `@`, this is done as follows:

`f = @(input) output`

- Then, `f` takes a list of input parameters `input`
- and returns the result `output`
  - e.g., `f = @(x) x.^2+exp(x)-2;`
  - defines  $f(x) = x^2 + \exp(x) - 2$
  - e.g., `f = @(x,y) x.*exp(-x.^2-y.^2);`
  - defines  $f(x, y) = x \cdot e^{-(x^2+y^2)}$
- ▶ These so-called **anonymous functions** are used as normal functions
  - i.e., `output = f(input)`
  - Formally, they define a function handle

# Conditionals

- ▶ Conditional statement

- ▶ `if - elseif - else - end`

- ▶ `switch - case - otherwise - end`

## Simple conditionals

```
1  if a > b
2
3      % The following code is executed if and only
4      % if the condition (a > b) is evaluated true
5      disp('a > b');
6
7  elseif a == b
8
9      % MATLAB allows arbitrarily many "else if"
10     disp('a == b');
11
12 else
13
14     % if none of the preceding conditions was
15     % evaluated true, then this case is executed
16     disp('a < b');
17
18 end
```

- ▶ Unlike other programming languages, MATLAB does not enforce brackets around conditions
  - But `if (a > b)` is more readable than `if a > b`
- ▶ The conditional code is indicated by keywords
  - `if` – `elseif` – `else` – `end`
  - All cases are exclusive
- ▶ The branches with `elseif` and `else` are optional

## Example: adding polynomials

```
1  function c = addPolynomials(a,b)
2
3  % Compute the coefficient vector of the polynomial
4  %
5  %   (p+q)(x) = sum(ell=1...) C(ell) * x^(ell-1)
6  %
7  % where the polynomials
8  %
9  %   p(x) = sum(j=1...M) A(j) * x^(j-1)
10 %   q(x) = sum(k=1...N) B(k) * x^(k-1)
11 %
12 % are given in terms of their coefficient vectors.
13 %
14 % C = addPolynomials(A,B) returns C, where A and
15 % B are either both column vectors or row vectors.
16
17 % author: Dirk Praetorius
18 % last modified: 07.03.2022
19
20 m = length(a);
21 n = length(b);
22 if (m < n)
23     c = b;
24     c(1:m) = c(1:m) + a;
25 else
26     c = a;
27     c(1:n) = c(1:n) + b;
28 end
```

► **given:**  $p(x) = \sum_{j=1}^M a_j x^{j-1}, \quad q(x) = \sum_{k=1}^N b_k x^{k-1}$

► **sought:**  $(p + q)(x) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{\max\{M,N\}} c_\ell x^{\ell-1}$

## Multi-case conditionals

```
1  switch x
2      case 1
3          disp("x==1")
4      case {2,3}
5          disp("x==2 or x==3")
6      otherwise
7          disp("x~=1,2,3")
8  end
```

- ▶ Variable `x` must be a scalar or a string
  - Optionally, one may also write `switch(x)`
- ▶ `case` provides conditions on the value of `x`
  - The code after `case` is executed if `x` has the stated value
  - Multiple equivalent values are possible via `{...}`
  - All cases are exclusive
- ▶ The code after `otherwise` is executed if none of the preceding cases was met.
  - `otherwise` is optional
- ▶ The above code can also be stated with `if ... end`

```
1  if (x==1)
2      disp("x==1");
3  elseif (x==2 || x==3)
4      disp("x==2 or x==3");
5  else
6      disp("x~=1,2,3");
7  end
```

## Example: days per month

```
1  function days = daysPerMonth(month,year)
2
3  switch(month)
4      case {1,3,5,7,8,10,12}
5          days = 31;
6      case {4,6,9,11}
7          days = 30;
8      case 2
9          if (mod(year,400) == 0)
10             days = 29;
11             elseif (mod(year,100) == 0)
12                 days = 28;
13                 elseif (mod(year,4) == 0)
14                     days = 29;
15                 else
16                     days = 28;
17             end
18         otherwise
19             days = -1;
20     end
```

- ▶ Determine the number of days per month
- ▶ A year is a leap year (and the February has 29 days) if the year is divisible by 4
  - **Exeption:** The year is not a leap year if it is divisible by 100 (& 4)
  - **Another Exeption:** The year is nevertheless a leap year if it is divisible by 400 (& 100 and 4)
- ▶ **mod(x,y)** returns the remainder after division of two integers **x** and **y**
  - see **help mod** for arbitrary **double** input



# Loops

- ▶ Counting loop `for`
- ▶ Conditional loop `while`
- ▶ `for - end`
- ▶ `while - end`
- ▶ `break`

## for loop 1/3

```
1 out = 0;
2 for j = rowvector
3     out = out + j;
4 end
```

- ▶ The **for** loop iterates some code for **length(rowvector)** times
  - For the 1st iteration, it holds **j = rowvector(1)**
  - For the 2nd iteration, it holds **j = rowvector(2)**
  - etc.
- ▶ By definition, there is no iteration if **rowvector** is empty
- ▶ The iteration terminates after **length(rowvector)** iterations
- ▶ **break** can be used to prematurely terminate the loop at any time
- ▶ **break** applies only to the current (innermost) loop
  - and cannot be used to terminate nested loops

```
1 out = 0;
2 for j = rowvector
3     out = out + j;
4     j = 42;
5     rowvector = 42;
6 end
```

- ▶ The code leads to the same result as above
- ▶ **j** takes the entries of **rowvector** as values, where **rowvector** is fixed before the iteration starts

## for loop 2/3

```
1  result = 0;
2  for j = 1:2:100
3      result = result + j^2;
4  end
5  disp(result)
```

► Often: `rowvector` takes the form `start:step:end`

► Example: Compute  $\sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \text{ odd}}}^{100} j^2 = 166650$

► But: Such a computation can often be replaced by vector arithmetics, which is more efficient in MATLAB

- e.g., `result = sum( (1:2:100).^2 );`

## for loop 3/3

```
1  A = [1 2 ; 3 4 ; 5 6 ; 7 8];
2  for j = A
3      j
4  end
```

- ▶ If **for** is applied to a matrix  $A$  (instead of a row vector), then **for** iterates over the columns of  $A$
- ▶ It is an often made mistake to apply a **for** loop to a column vector (instead of a row vector)
- ▶ Output:

j =

1  
3  
5  
7

j =

2  
4  
6  
8

## Example: product of polynomials

```
1  function c = multiplyPolynomials(a,b)
2
3  % Return the coefficient vector of the polynomial
4  %
5  %    $r = \sum_{\ell=1}^{m+n-1} c_{\ell} x^{\ell-1}$ 
6  %
7  % obtained by multiplication  $r = p*q$  of
8  %
9  %    $p = \sum_{j=1}^m a_j x^{j-1}$ 
10 %    $q = \sum_{k=1}^n b_k x^{k-1}$ 
11 %
12 % C = multiplyPolynomials(A,B) takes the
13 % coefficient vectors A and B and returns the row
14 % vector C of the coefficients of the product
15 % polynomial  $r = p*q$ 
16
17 m = length(a);
18 n = length(b);
19 c = zeros(1,m+n-1);
20
21 for j = 1:m
22     for k = 1:n
23         c(j+k-1) = c(j+k-1) + a(j)*b(k);
24     end
25 end
```

► Compute the product  $r = pq$  of two polynomials

- $a \in \mathbb{C}^m$ ,  $p(x) = \sum_{j=1}^m a_j x^{j-1}$ ,  $\text{degree}(p) = m - 1$

- $b \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $q(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n b_k x^{k-1}$ ,  $\text{degree}(q) = n - 1$

- **note:**  $c \in \mathbb{C}^{m+n-1}$ ,  $r(x) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{m+n-1} c_{\ell} x^{\ell-1}$

- **with**  $c_{\ell} = \sum_{j+k=\ell+1} a_j b_k$

► This is already provided by MATLAB as **conv**

## while loop

► Syntax:

```
while condition
    body
end
```

- The **while** loop iterates some code as long as **condition** (of type **logical**) remains true,
  - There is no iteration if **condition** is false
- Unlike other programming languages, MATLAB does not enforce brackets around conditions
  - But **while (condition)** is more readable

## Example: Euclidean algorithm

```
1  function a = euclid(a,b)
2
3  % Compute the greatest common divisor (gcd) of
4  % two positive integers by means of Euclidean
5  % algorithm which is based on
6  %   gcd(A,B) = gcd(B,A)
7  % and, for A>B,
8  %   gcd(A,B) = gcd(A-B,B)
9  %
10 % RESULT = EUCLID(A,B) returns the gcd of two
11 % positive integer scalars A and B
12
13 while (a~=b)
14     if (a<b) % guarantee a>=b
15         tmp = a;
16         a = b;
17         b = tmp;
18     end
19     a = a-b;
20 end
21 end
```

- ▶ The Euclidean algorithm computes the greatest common divisor (gcd) of two positive integers **a** and **b**
  - It exploits the observations that
    - $\text{gcd}(a, b) = \text{gcd}(b, a)$
    - $\text{gcd}(a, b) = \text{gcd}(a - b, b)$  if  $a > b$
    - $\text{gcd}(a, a) = a$
- ▶ This is already provided by MATLAB as **gcd**

## Example: binary search

```
1  function index = binsearch(vector,query)
2
3  % Seek an index J such that the J-th entry X(J)
4  % of a vector X coincides with a sought query Q.
5  % Return -1 if no such index exists. The vector X
6  % is required to be sorted in ascending order
7  %
8  % J = binsearch(X,Q) with X being a numeric
9  % vector and Q being a scalar.
10
11  lower = 1;
12  upper = length(vector);
13  while (lower <= upper)
14      index = floor(0.5*(lower + upper));
15      if (vector(index) == query)
16          return
17      elseif (vector(index) > query)
18          upper = index - 1;
19      else
20          lower = index + 1;
21      end
22  end
23  index = -1;
```

- ▶ Suppose that **vector** is sorted in ascending order and that searching for equality makes sense (e.g., integers)
- ▶ Find an index **j** with **vector(j) == query**
  - Return -1 if no such index exists
- ▶ Use bisection as for searching a dictionary
  - Consider the middle entry of **vector** and reduce the search to a vector of half length



## “while” vs. “repeat ... until”

- ▶ Recall the syntax

```
while (condition)
    % body
end
```

- ▶ where **while** iterates as long as **condition** is true
- ▶ However, most mathematical algorithms have a termination criterion **done**
  - i.e., the algorithm is terminated as soon as **done** is true
  - Logically, **done** is the negation of **condition**
- ▶ This is easily implemented by use of a formally infinite loop to avoid errors if **done** is complicated
- ▶ Suggested syntax:

```
while true
    if (done)
        break
    end
    % body
end
```

## Example: Heron's method

- Realization via negation of termination condition

```
1  function xn = heron(x,tol)
2
3  % XN = heron(X,TOL) realizes the Heron algorithm
4  % for the computation of sqrt(X). For a given
5  % tolerance TOL > 0, it returns the first iterate
6  % XN such that | XN^2 - X | <= TOL.
7
8  xn = x;
9  while ( abs(xn^2 - x) > tol )
10     xn = 0.5*(xn + x/xn);
11 end
```

- Realization via infinite loop and break

```
1  function xn = heron(x,tol)
2
3  % XN = heron(X,TOL) realizes the Heron algorithm
4  % for the computation of sqrt(X). For a given
5  % tolerance TOL > 0, it returns the first iterate
6  % XN such that | XN^2 - X | <= TOL.
7
8  xn = x;
9  while true
10     xn = 0.5*(xn + x/xn);
11     if ( abs(xn^2 - x) <= tol )
12         break
13     end
14 end
```

- Define  $x_0 := x$  and  $x_{n+1} := (x_n + x/x_n)/2$

- **Then:** There holds convergence  $x_n \rightarrow \sqrt{x}$

- Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , return the first  $x_n$  with  $|x_n^2 - x| \leq \varepsilon$

## Example: bisection method

```
1  function [c,fc] = bisection(f,a,b,tol)
2
3  % Given a continuous real-valued function F on a
4  % compact interval [A,B] with  $F(A)*F(B) \leq 0$ , the
5  % intermediate value theorem guarantees a root
6  %  $F(X) = 0$  in  $[A,B]$ . Given a tolerance  $tol > 0$ ,
7  % the bisection algorithm returns  $X_0$  such that
8  %  $|X - X_0| \leq tol$  and  $|F(X_0)| \leq tol$ 
9  %
10 %  $[X_0, F(X_0)] = \text{BISECTION}(F, A, B, tol)$  takes the
11 % function handle of F, the scalar endpoint A, B
12 % of the interval  $[A,B]$ , and the scalar tolerance.
13 % It returns the approximate root  $X_0$  as well as
14 % the corresponding function value  $F(X_0)$ .
15
16 fa = feval(f,a);
17 fb = feval(f,b);
18
19 while true
20     c = (a+b)/2;
21     fc = feval(f,c);
22     if ( abs(b-a) <= 2*tol && abs(fc) <= tol )
23         return
24     elseif ( fa*fc <= 0 )
25         b = c;
26         fb = fc;
27     else
28         a = c;
29         fa = fc;
30     end
31 end
```

- ▶ Adapts the idea of binary search for continuous **f**
- ▶ The input **f** is either a function handle or the name of a function (as a string)

# Basic graphics

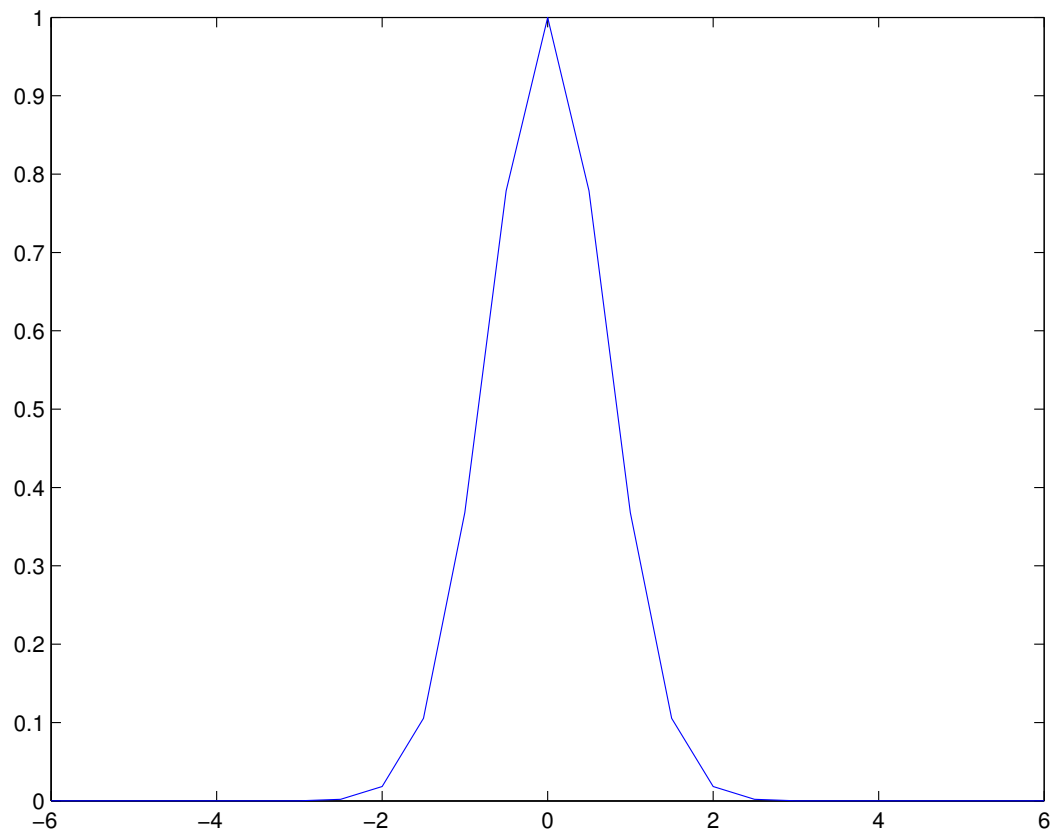
- ▶ Export of figures as EPS-files
- ▶ `plot`
- ▶ `figure`, `clf`, `close`
- ▶ `hold on`, `hold off`
- ▶ `axis`, `axis on`, `axis off`
- ▶ `axis equal`, `axis tight`, `axis square`
- ▶ `grid on`, `grid off`
- ▶ `box on`, `box off`
- ▶ `title`, `xlabel`, `ylabel`, `legend`
- ▶ `text`
- ▶ `print`

## The plot command

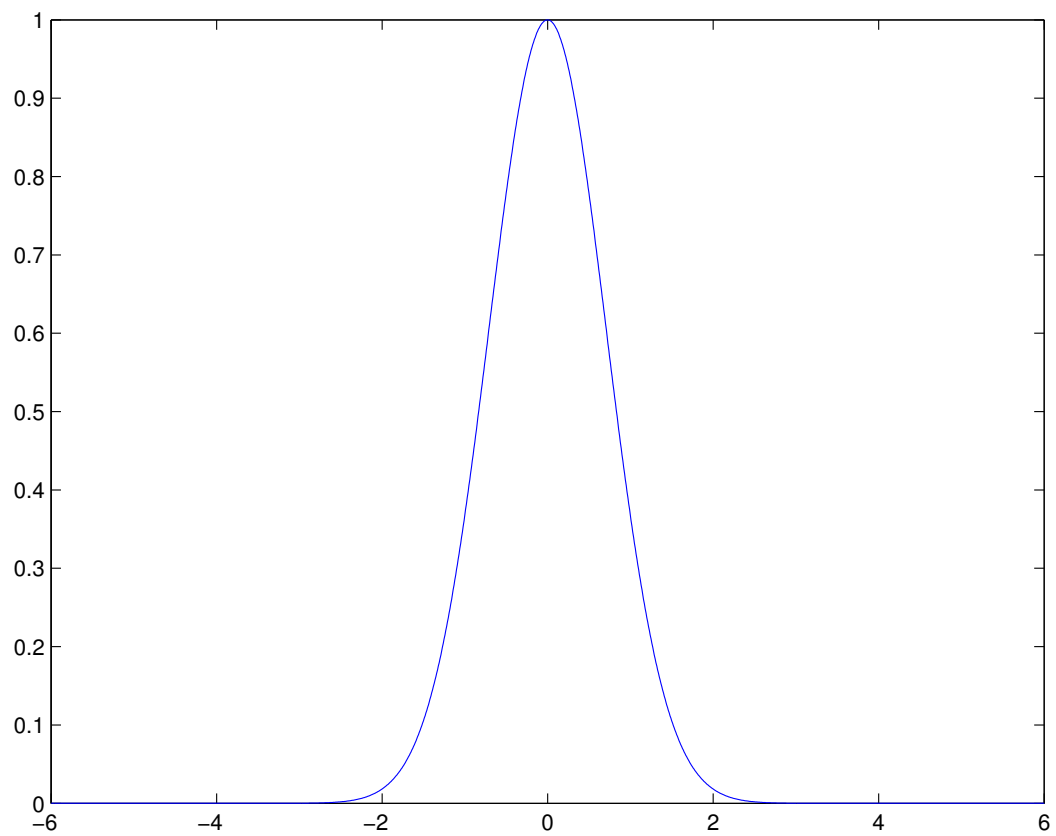
```
1 figure(1)
2 x = -6:.5:6;
3 y = exp(-x.^2);
4 plot(x,y)
5
6 figure(2)
7 x = -6:.01:6;
8 y = exp(-x.^2);
9 plot(x,y)
```

- ▶ **plot(x,y)** plots  $y_j$  over  $x_j$ 
  - $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are vectors of same length
  - Points  $(x_j, y_j)$  are connected with lines
- ▶ **figure(nr)** selects active figure
  - All graphics commands are applied to active figures
  - If figure **nr** does not exist, a new window is spawned
- ▶ **close(nr)** closes figure **nr**
  - **close** closes active figure
  - **close all** closes all figures
- ▶ **clf(nr)** deletes figure **nr**
  - **clf** deletes active figure
    - Windows are preserved

► figure(1)



► figure(2)



## Optional parameters of plot

```
1  figure(1)
2  x = -6:.4:6;
3  y = exp(-x.^2);
4  plot(x,y,'r.--','LineWidth',2)
5
6  figure(2)
7  x = -6:.5:6;
8  y = exp(-x.^2);
9  plot(x,y,'ro','MarkerSize',12, ...
10      'MarkerFaceColor','g')
```

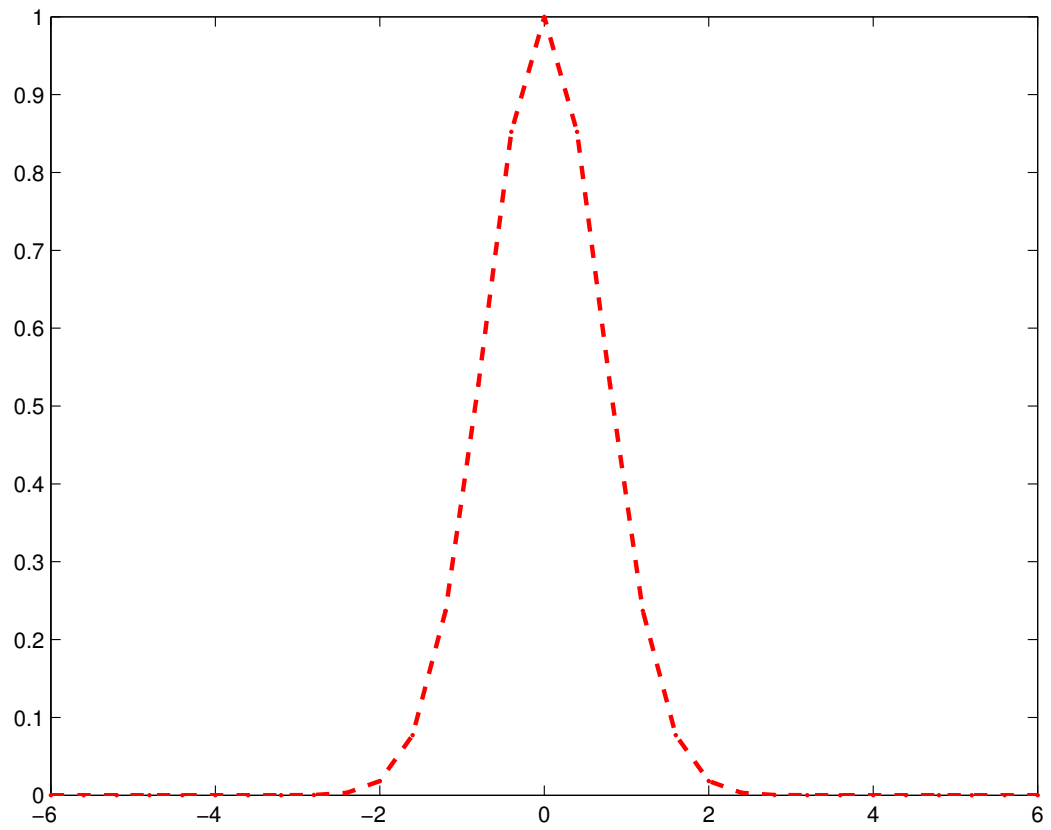
### ► `plot(x,y,string)`

- Optional `string` defines plot style
  - blue `b`, red `r`, green `g`, black `k`
  - dot `.`, circle `o`, cross `x`, plus `+`, star `*`
  - solid `-`, dotted `:`, dash-dotted `-.`, dashed `--`
- 1 option for color/marker/line-style each
  - All options: `help plot` or `doc linespec`
  - Default `'b-'` = blue/no marker/solid line

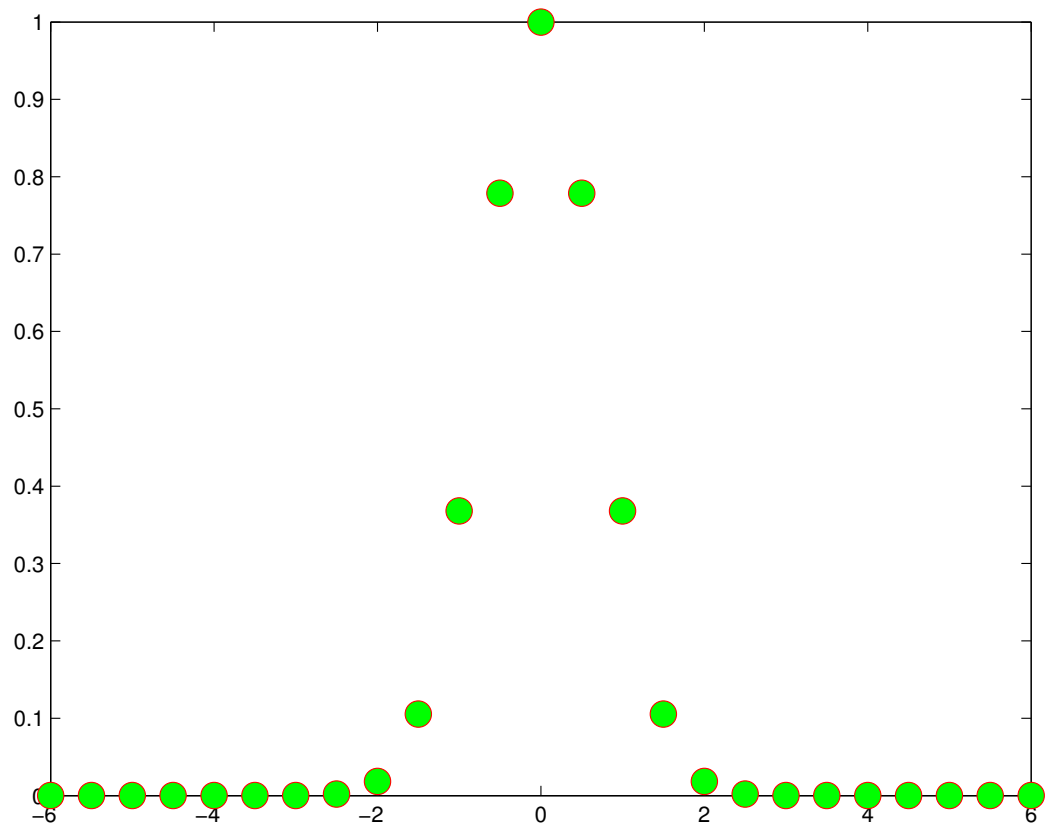
### ► `plot(x,y,string, opt1,val1,... )`

- Further options for all plot commands
  - `opt1` = predefined string
  - `val1` = new value
- e.g., `'LineWidth'` (default = 0.5)
- e.g., `'MarkerSize'` (default = 6)
- e.g., `'MarkerEdgeColor'` (default = 'auto')
- e.g., `'MarkerFaceColor'` (default = 'none')

► figure(1)



► figure(2)



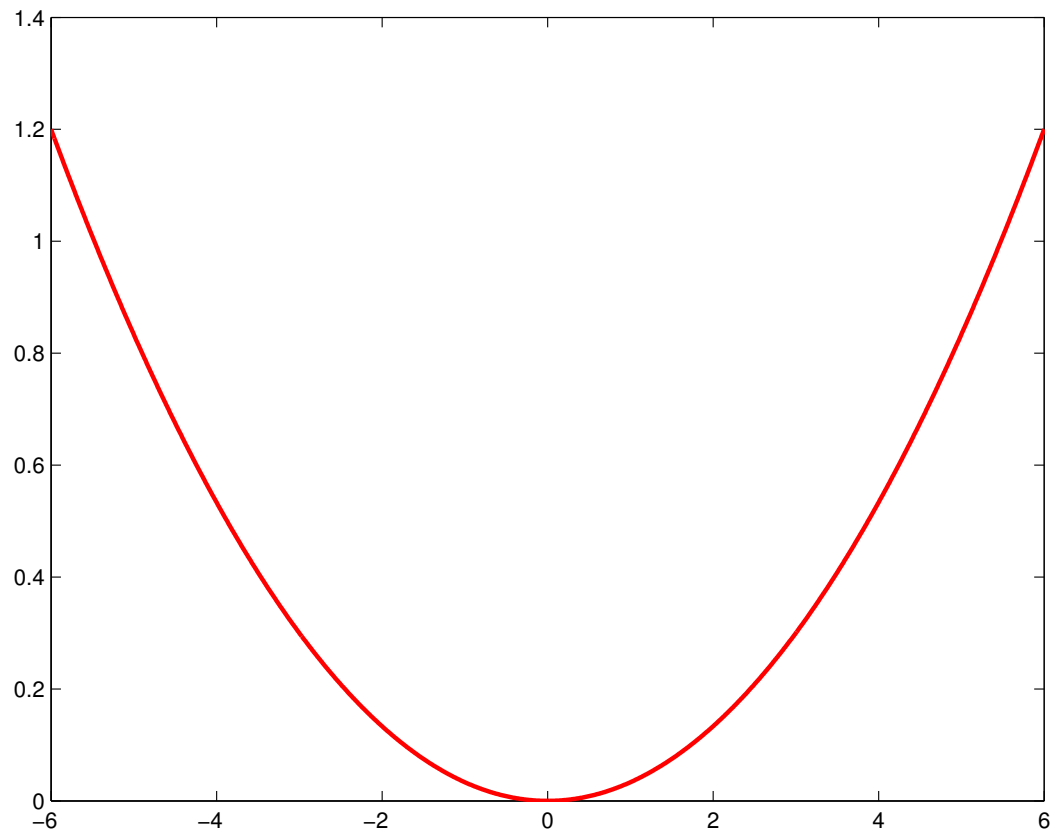


## Multiple plots in one figure

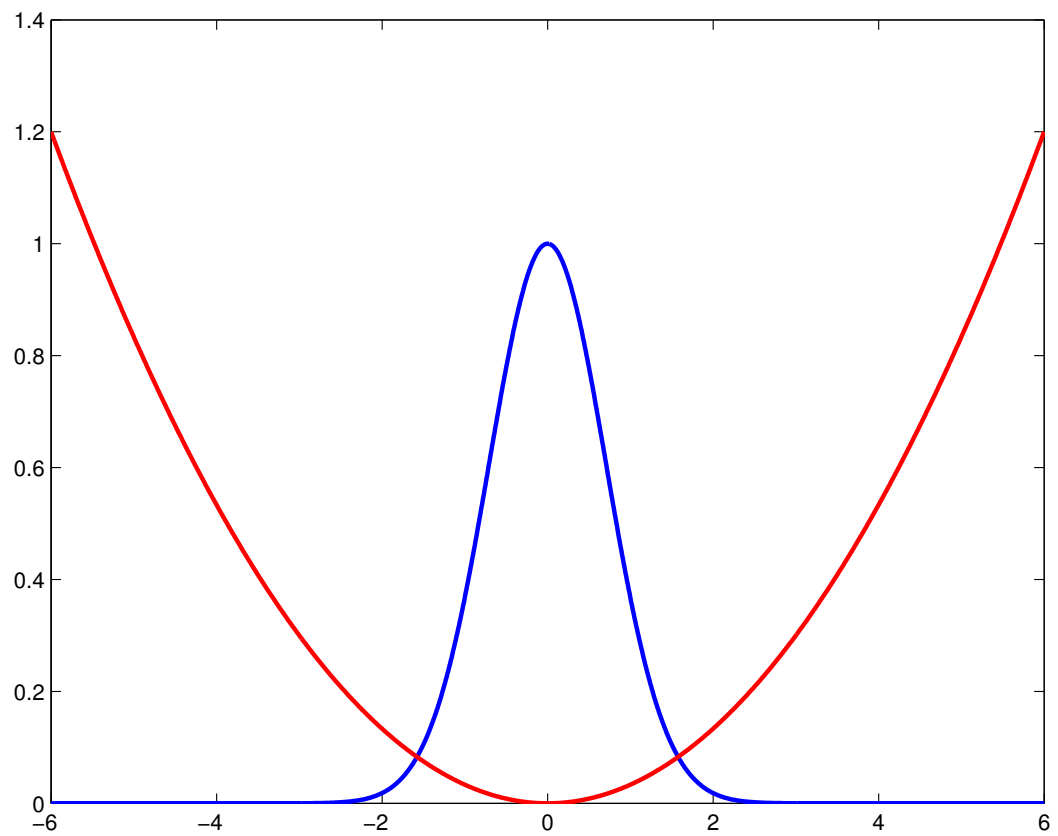
```
1  x = -6:.01:6;
2  y = exp(-x.^2);
3  z = x.^2/30;
4
5  figure(1)
6  plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)
7  plot(x,z,'r','LineWidth',2)
8
9  figure(2)
10 plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)
11 hold on
12 plot(x,z,'r','LineWidth',2)
13 hold off
```

- ▶ Often, one wants multiple plots in one figure
  - Each new plot executes **clf** per default
- ▶ **hold off** = automatic **clf** in active figure
  - This is the default
- ▶ **hold on** = no automatic **clf** in active figure

► `figure(1)`



► `figure(2)`

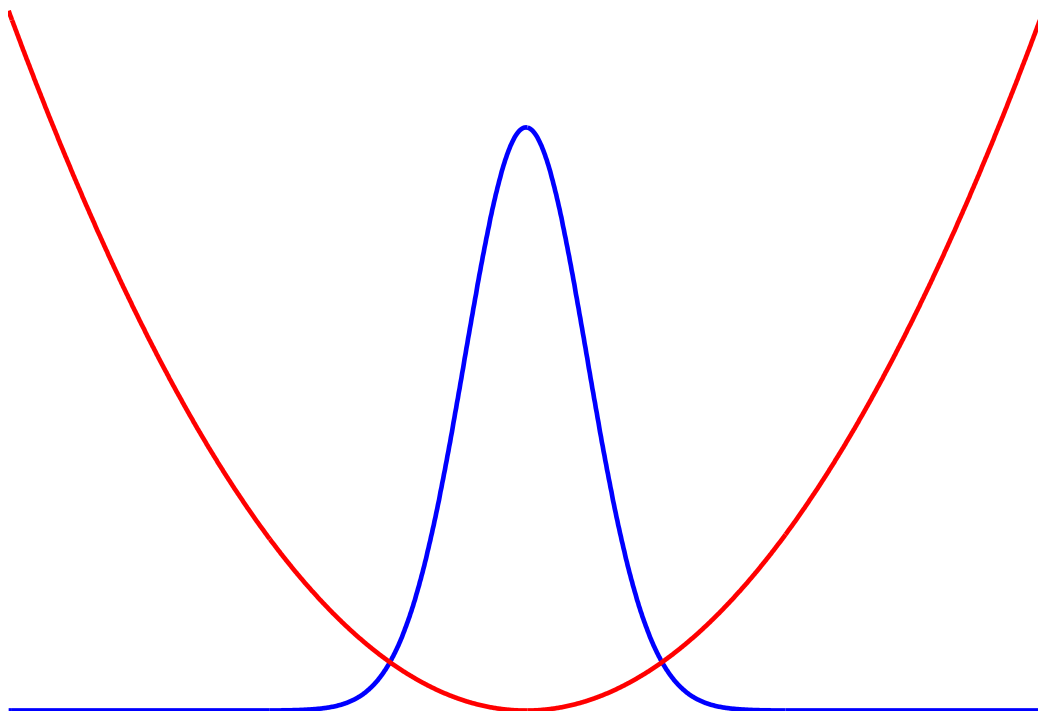


## Axes in plots 1/2

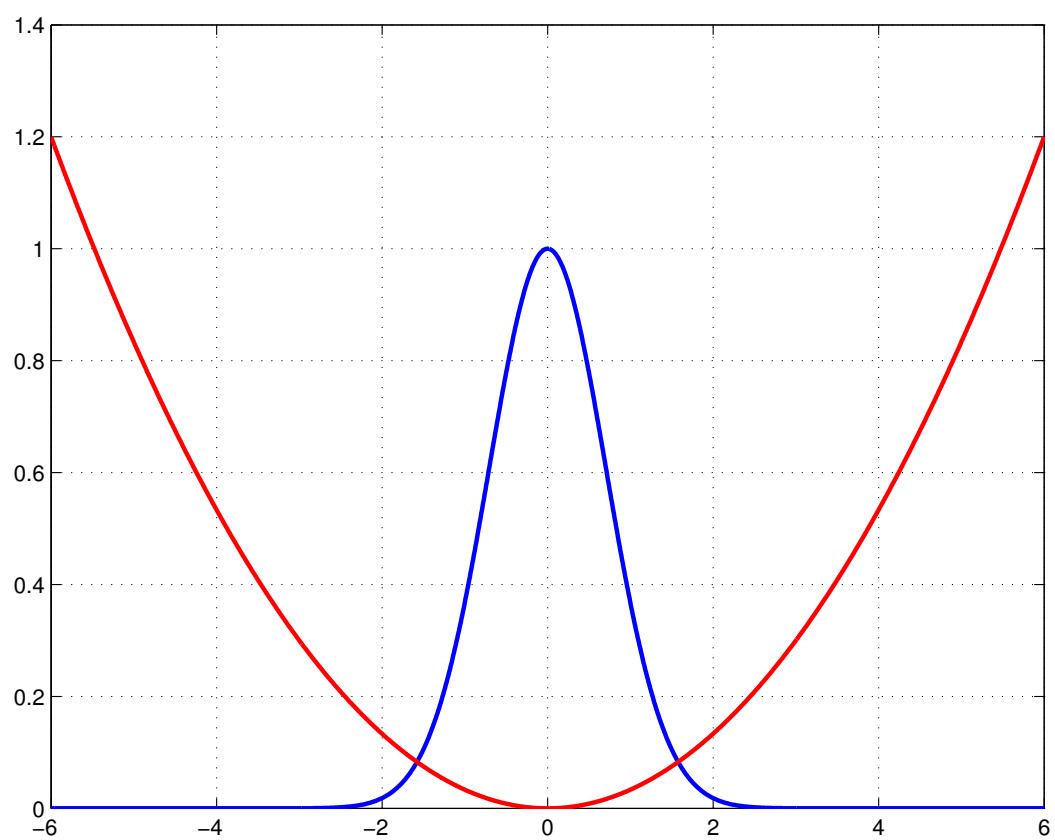
```
1  x = -6:.01:6;
2  y = exp(-x.^2);
3  z = x.^2/30;
4
5  figure(1)
6  plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)
7  hold on
8  plot(x,z,'r','LineWidth',2)
9  hold off
10 axis off
11
12 figure(2)
13 plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)
14 hold on
15 plot(x,z,'r','LineWidth',2)
16 hold off
17 grid on
```

- ▶ `axis on` (`axis off`) = coordinate axes
- ▶ `grid off` (`grid on`) = grid lines
- ▶ `box on` (`box off`) = coordinate axes as box
- ▶ `axis([xmin,xmax,ymin,ymax])` sets axis limits
  - `axis` returns current vector of axis limits

► figure(1)



► figure(2)

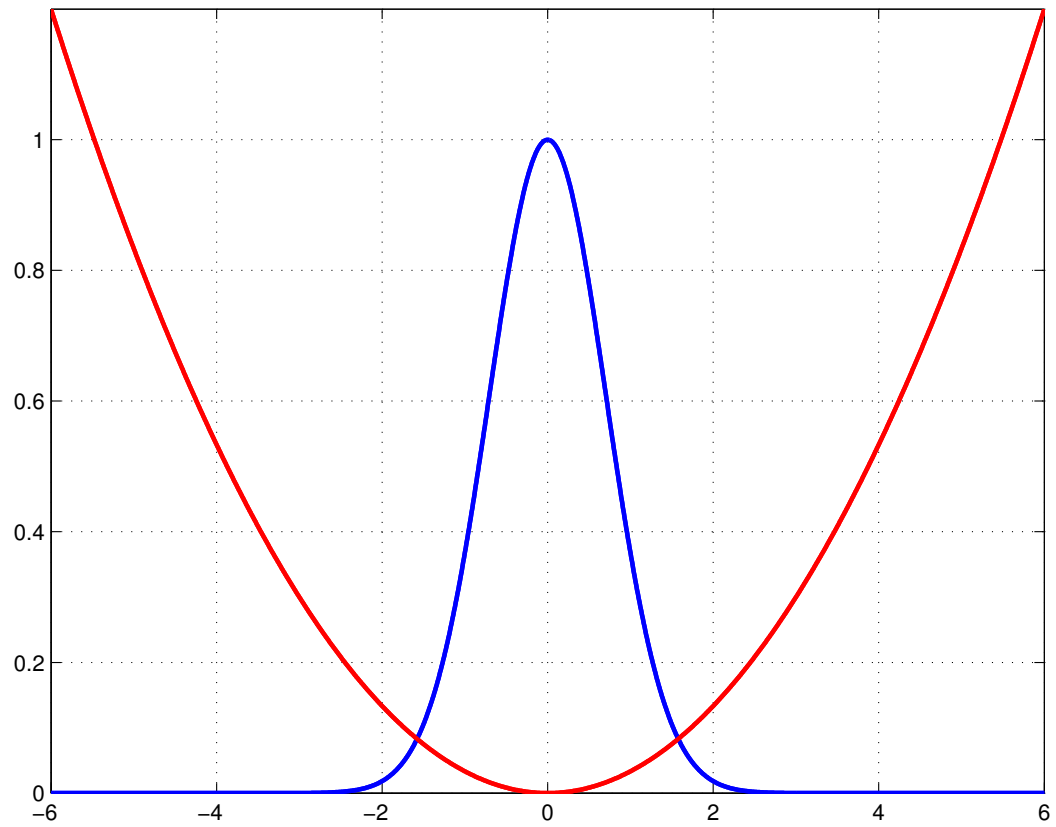


## Axes in plots 2/2

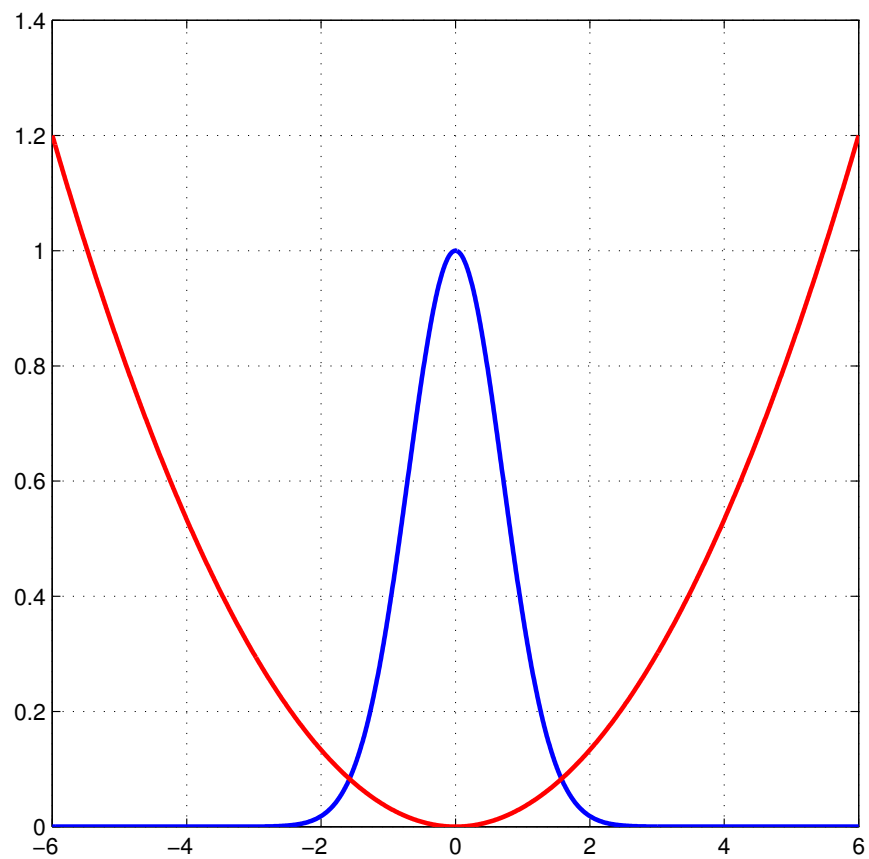
```
1  x = -6:.01:6;
2  y = exp(-x.^2);
3  z = x.^2/30;
4
5  figure(1)
6  plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)
7  hold on
8  plot(x,z,'r','LineWidth',2)
9  axis tight
10 grid on
11
12 figure(2)
13 plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)
14 hold on
15 plot(x,z,'r','LineWidth',2)
16 axis square
17 grid on
```

- ▶ **axis equal** = equal unit lengths on both axes
- ▶ **axis tight** = image section as small as possible
- ▶ **axis square** = square image section

► figure(1)



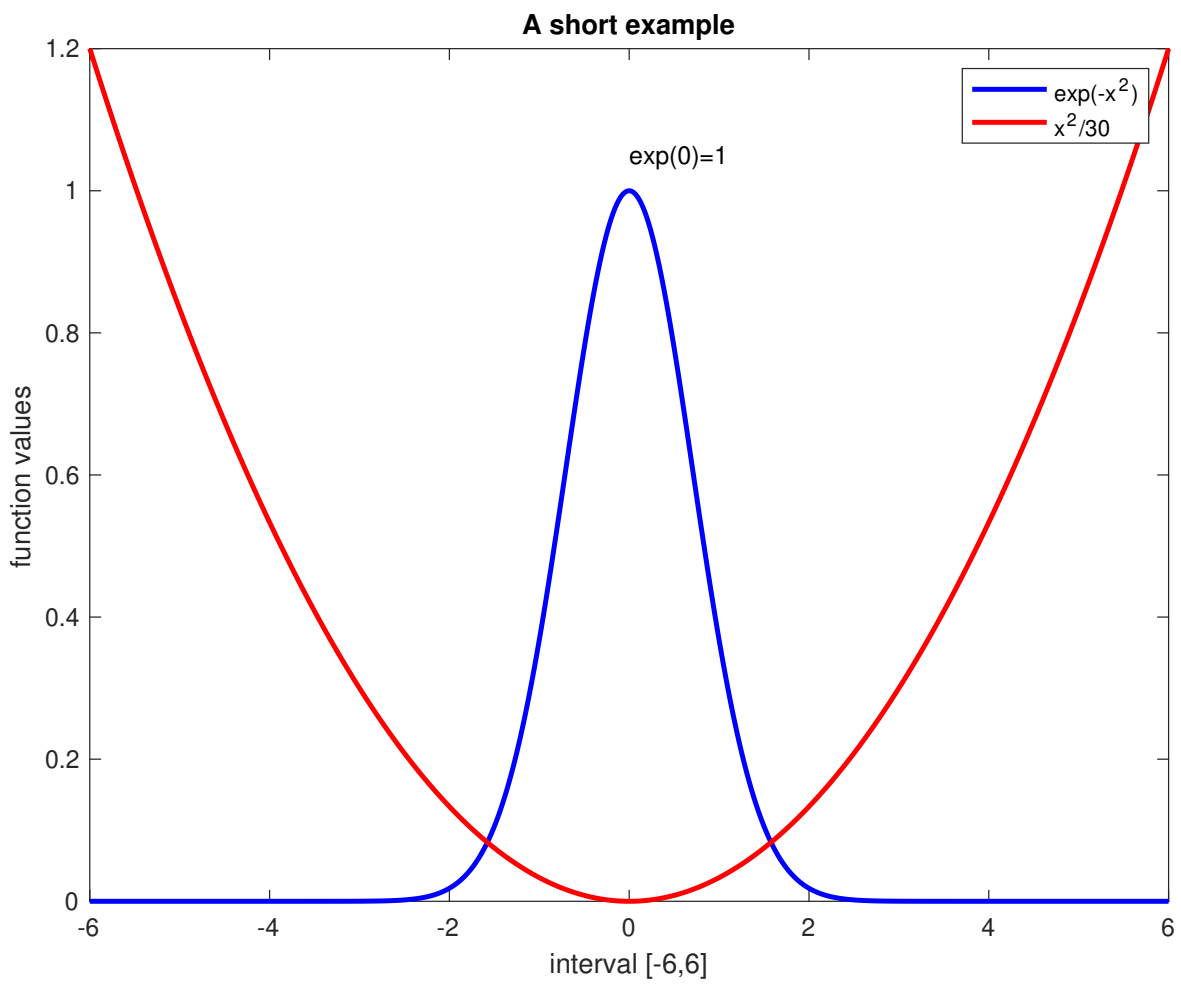
► figure(2)



## Labeling of plots

```
1  x = -6:.01:6;
2  y = exp(-x.^2);
3  z = x.^2/30;
4
5  plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)
6  hold on
7  plot(x,z,'r','LineWidth',2)
8  text(0,1.05,'exp(0)=1')
9  hold off
10
11 legend('exp(-x^2)','x^2/30')
12 xlabel('interval [-6,6]')
13 ylabel('function values')
14 title('A short example')
```

- ▶ `legend(text1,text2,...)` creates legend
  - in order of the used plot commands
- ▶ `legend(...,'Location',lcn)` positions legend
  - e.g., `'northeast'` or `'southoutside'`
- ▶ `legend boxoff` = no box outline around legend
  - better for  $\text{\LaTeX}$ -replacements (below!)
- ▶ `xlabel(text)` labels  $x$ -axis
- ▶ `ylabel(text)` labels  $y$ -axis
- ▶ `title(text)` creates title
- ▶ `text(x,y,text)` writes text `text` at coordinate  $(x,y)$
- ▶ MATLAB can deal with basic  $\text{\LaTeX}$ ,
  - e.g.,  $x^2/30$  in above code





## Export of images

```
1  % demoprint.m
2  x = -6:.01:6;
3  y = exp(-x.^2);
4  z = x.^2/30;
5
6  plot(x,y,'b--')
7  hold on
8  plot(x,z,'r')
9  text(0,1.05,'exp(0)=1')
10 hold off
11
12 legend('exp(-x^2)', 'x^2/30')
13 xlabel('interval [-6,6]')
14 ylabel('function values')
15 title('A short example')
16
17 print('-r600','-depsc2','demoprint.eps')
18 print('-r600','-djpeg','demoprint.jpg')
19
20 close
```

- ▶ `print(opt1,opt2,...,name)` creates file `name`
  - Optional strings `opt` specify
    - e.g., resolution: `'-r200'` = 200dpi (def. 150dpi)
    - e.g., data type:
      - `'-deps'`, `'-deps2'` = EPS grayscale
      - `'-depsc'`, `'-depsc2'` = EPS colored
      - `'-djpeg90'` = JPG, quality 90% (def. 75%)
- ▶ Colored plots should be recognizable in grayscale
- ▶ If you use MATLAB figures for  $\text{\LaTeX}$  documents, then the EPS format allows to replace any text in the graphics in  $\text{\LaTeX}$  by use of the `psfrag` package

# loglog

- ▶ Experimental convergence rate
- ▶ `loglog`, `semilogx`, `semilogy`

# Convergence rate of a method

- ▶ In numerical mathematics,  $h > 0$  is often the discretization parameter
  - e.g.,  $\Phi(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  as approximation of the derivative  $\Phi(0) = f'(x)$

▶ **Clearly:**  $\Phi(h) \rightarrow f'(x)$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$

▶ **Question:** Can something be said about the size of the approximation error?

- **Taylor theorem**

- For  $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$ , it holds that

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + R_1(f, x, h)$$

- with remainder term

$$R_n = \int_x^{x+h} \frac{(x+h-t)^n}{n!} f^{(n+1)}(t) dt = \mathcal{O}(h^{n+1})$$

- **Hence,**

$$\Phi(h) = \frac{f'(x)h + R_1(f, x, h)}{h} = f'(x) + \mathcal{O}(h)$$

## Experimental convergence rate

- ▶ Approximation errors  $e_h = |\Phi(h) - \Phi(0)|$  usually satisfy that
  - $e_h = \mathcal{O}(h^\alpha)$  for  $h \rightarrow 0$  and  $\alpha > 0$ 
    - i.e.,  $e_h \leq C h^\alpha$  with a constant  $C > 0$
  - $\alpha$  is called **convergence rate**
    - In general,  $C$  and  $\alpha$  are unknown and only known for special cases, e.g.,  $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$
- ▶ One can experimentally determine  $C$  and  $\alpha$ 
  - Ansatz: Let  $e_h = Ch^\alpha$
  - For  $h_1 > h_2 > 0$  compute  $e_1 = e_{h_1}$ ,  $e_2 = e_{h_2}$
  - Division yields  $e_1/e_2 = (h_1/h_2)^\alpha$
  - Taking the logarithm yields  $\alpha = \frac{\log(e_1/e_2)}{\log(h_1/h_2)}$ 
    - so-called **experimental convergence rate**

# Visualization

- ▶ Let  $h_1 > h_2 > 0$  and corresponding  $e_1, e_2$  be given
- ▶ Plot points in a graph:
  - $x$ -axis is  $x = \log(1/h)$
  - $y$ -axis is  $y = \log(e)$
- ▶ Straight line through  $(\log(1/h_j), \log(e_j))$  has slope
  - $m = \frac{\log(e_1) - \log(e_2)}{\log(1/h_1) - \log(1/h_2)} = \frac{\log(e_1/e_2)}{\log(h_2/h_1)}$
  - hence,  $-m = \frac{\log(e_1/e_2)}{\log(h_1/h_2)} = \alpha$  is exp. conv. rate

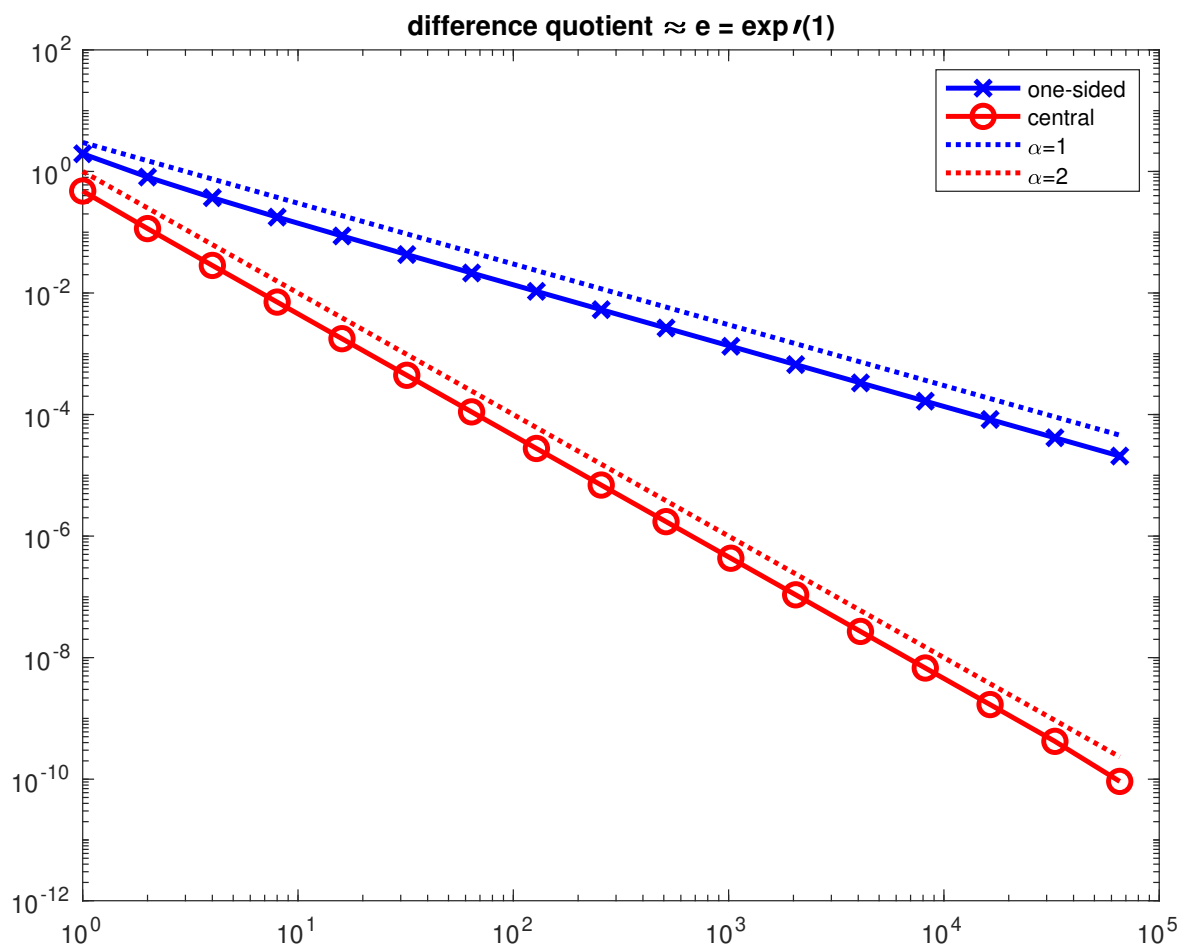
## The loglog command

- ▶ `loglog(x,y)` corresponds to `plot(log(x),log(y))`
  - Optional parameters as for `plot`
- ▶ `loglog(x,y)` is used to visualize algebraic dependence  $y = \mathcal{O}(x^\alpha)$ 
  - $\alpha$  can be observed as slope of a line!
  - e.g., for experimental conv. rate  $e_h = \mathcal{O}(h^\alpha)$
  - e.g., for complexity  $\text{time}(N) = \mathcal{O}(N^\alpha)$
- ▶ Further variants of `plot`:
  - `semilogx`, `semilogy`

## A smooth example

```
1  %*** problem
2  h = 2.^-[0:16];
3  x = 1;
4  f = @(x) exp(x);          % def. f(x) = exp(x)
5  fprime = @(x) exp(x);     % def. fprime(x) = exp(x)
6
7  %*** one-sided difference quotient
8  phi = (f(x+h)-f(x))./h;
9  e = abs(fprime(x)-phi);
10 loglog(1./h,e,'bx-','LineWidth',2,'MarkerSize',9)
11 hold on
12
13 %*** central difference quotient
14 phi = 0.5*(f(x+h)-f(x-h))./h;
15 e = abs(fprime(x)-phi);
16 loglog(1./h,e,'ro-','LineWidth',2,'MarkerSize',9)
17
18 %*** reference lines
19 loglog(1./h,3*h,'b:', 'LineWidth',2) % alpha = 1
20 loglog(1./h,h.^2,'r:', 'LineWidth',2) % alpha = 2
21 hold off
22
23 title(['difference quotient ',...
24        '\approx e = exp\prime(1)'])
25 legend('one-sided','central', ...
26        '\alpha=1','\alpha=2')
```

- ▶ One-sided  $\Phi(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 
  - maximal convergence rate  $\alpha = 1$  for  $f \in C^2$
- ▶ Central  $\Phi(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$ 
  - maximal convergence rate  $\alpha = 2$  for  $f \in C^3$

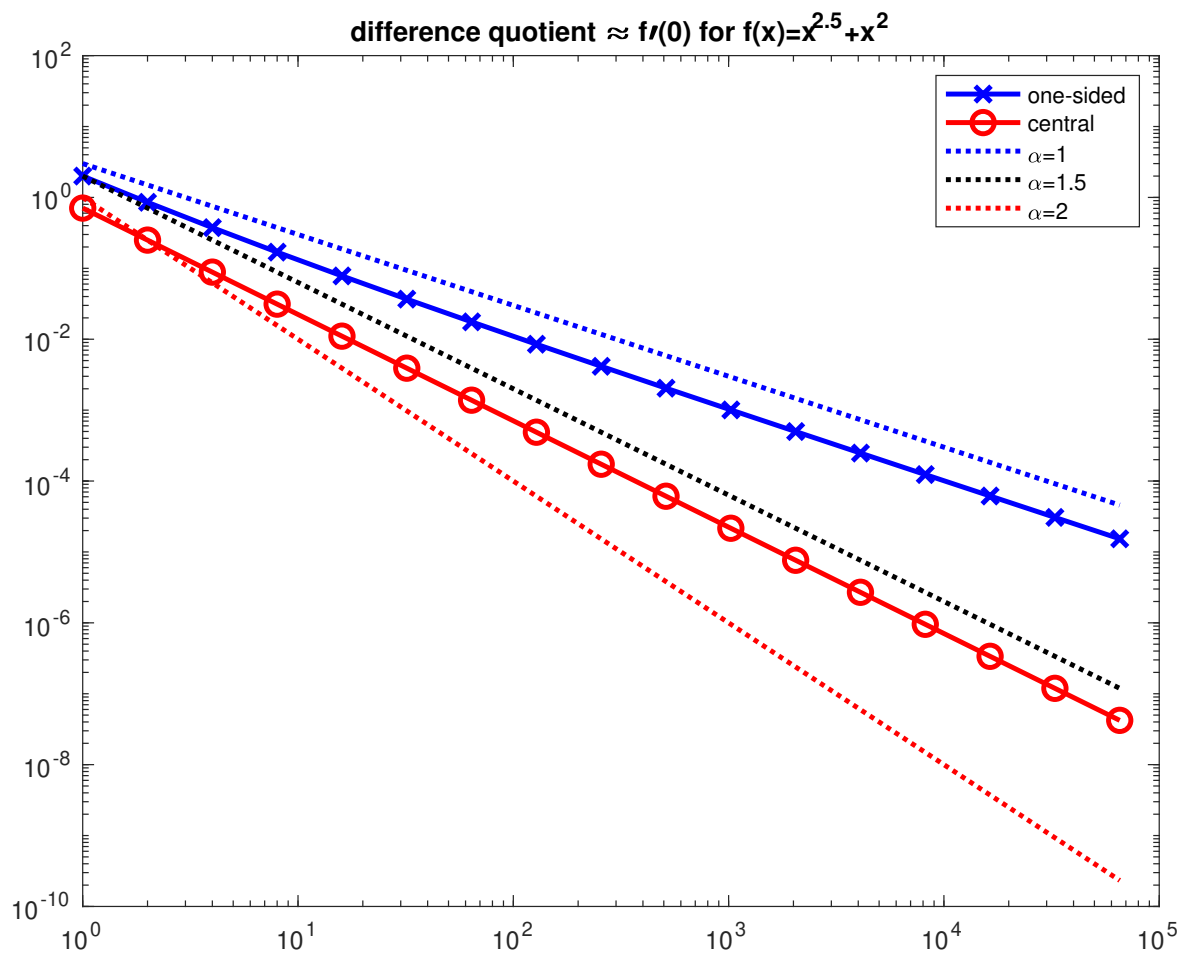


- ▶  $f \in C^2 \Rightarrow$  one-sided diff.quot  $\Phi(h) = f'(x) + \mathcal{O}(h)$
- ▶  $f \in C^3 \Rightarrow$  central diff.quot  $\Phi(h) = f'(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$
- ▶ Example:  $f(x) = \exp(x)$  satisfies  $f \in C^\infty$ 
  - Experiment confirms theory

## A less smooth example

```
1  %*** problem
2  h = 2.^-[0:16];
3  x = 0;
4  f = @(x) x.^2.5 + x.^2;
5  fprime = @(x) 2.5*x.^1.5 + 2*x;
6
7  %*** one-sided difference quotient
8  phi = (f(x+h)-f(x))./h;
9  e = abs(fprime(x)-phi);
10 loglog(1./h,e,'bx-','LineWidth',2,'MarkerSize',9)
11 hold on
12
13 %*** central difference quotient
14 phi = (f(x+h)-f(x-h))./h/2;
15 e = abs(fprime(x)-phi);
16 loglog(1./h,e,'ro-','LineWidth',2,'MarkerSize',9)
17
18 %*** reference lines
19 loglog(1./h,3*h,'b:','LineWidth',2)
20 loglog(1./h,2*h.^1.5,'k:','LineWidth',2)
21 loglog(1./h,h.^2,'r:','LineWidth',2)
22 hold off
23
24 title(['difference quotient ',...
25        '\approx f\prime(0) ',...
26        'for f(x)=x^{2.5}+x^2'])
27 legend('one-sided','central', ...
28        '\alpha=1','\alpha=1.5','\alpha=2')
```





- ▶  $f \in C^2 \Rightarrow$  one-sided diff.quot  $\Phi(h) = f'(x) + \mathcal{O}(h)$
- ▶  $f \in C^3 \Rightarrow$  central diff.quot  $\Phi(h) = f'(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$
- ▶ Example:  $f(x) = x^{2.5} + x^2$  satisfies only  $f \in C^2 \setminus C^3$ 
  - Experiment does not contradict theory!

# Input / Output

- ▶ Input from keyboard
- ▶ Output in MATLAB shell
- ▶ Load and save variables
- ▶ Load matrices from text files
- ▶ Save matrices to text files

- ▶ `input`
- ▶ `disp`
- ▶ `fprintf`
- ▶ `load`
- ▶ `save`
- ▶ `fopen, fclose`

## Input from keyboard

► `var = input(string);`

- displays the text `string` in the MATLAB shell
- waits for input from the keyboard
- interprets the input and assigns the value to `var`
  - e.g., from the input `2 + [1 2 3]`, the variable `var` takes the value `[3 4 5]`
- If input cannot be interpreted, MATLAB returns an error
  - e.g., the input `Hello World` leads to  
`Error: Unexpected MATLAB expression.`

► `var = input(string,'s');`

- displays the text `string` in the MATLAB shell
- waits for input from the keyboard
- assigns the input to `var` (as array of characters)

# Output to MATLAB shell

- ▶ `disp(var)` displays the value of the variable `var` in the MATLAB shell
- ▶ `fprintf(string,var1,var2,...)`
  - displays the text `string` in the MATLAB shell
  - works like `printf` in C
  - `string` can contain conversion specifiers indicated by `%`, e.g.,
    - `%d` for an integer
    - `%f` or `%e` for a floating point number
    - `%s` for string
    - See `help fprintf` for details on the specifiers
  - The conversion specifiers are replaced by the given values `var1` etc. (from left to right)
  - The number of conversion specifiers and additional values must coincide
  - Line breaks are indicated by the so-called escape sequence `\n` in `string`
  - Note that `fprintf` works only for real numbers, not for complex numbers!
    - Use `real()` and `imag()` to output real and imaginary part separately
- ▶ e.g., `fprintf('%1.4f\n',pi)` gives `3.1416`
  - where `%1.4f` also specifies the number of digits
- ▶ e.g., `fprintf('%1.8e\n',2/3)` gives `6.66666667e-01`
- ▶ e.g., `fprintf('%f\n',2+3i)` gives `2.000000`

## Functions load / save

- ▶ **Goal:** Save (partial) results from computations
  - This avoids the need to compute everything from scratch, if the computation is aborted (e.g., when the PC crashes)
  - Moreover, it is good programming style to separate the codes for computation and postprocessing (e.g., visualization)
  
- ▶ `save('name')` saves all variables in the current scope to the data file `name.mat`
  
- ▶ `save('name','var1','var2',...)` saves only the variables `var1`, `var2`, ... to the data file `name.mat`
  
- ▶ `load('name')` loads the variables from the data file `name.mat` to the current scope
  
- ▶ `A = load('name.dat');` creates a matrix `A`
  - `name.dat` must be a text file with clear matrix structure, i.e.,
    - rows are ended by line breaks
    - all lines have the same number of entries
    - comments indicated by `%` are neglected
  - This is a very good way for data import from other programs / programming languages

# Formatted writing

- ▶ **Goal:** Create text files that can be read by other programs / programming languages
- ▶ Open a text file `filename` for writing data by
  - `fid = fopen(filename, 'w')`
  - `fid` is the so-called file identifier
    - see `help fopen` for further details
- ▶ Write data in ASCII format to the file via `fprintf`
  - `fprintf(fid, string, var1, var2, ...)` like in C
    - `\n` creates new line in the output file
    - `\\` creates the backslash symbol `\`
    - `%%` creates the percentage symbol `%`
    - Use conversion specifiers to write numerical values, e.g., `%d` for integers and `%f` or `%e` for floating point numbers
- ▶ **Note:** Use the conversion specifier `%1.16e` to write `double` values to a file
  - Note that `double` values have about 16 digits
  - Recall that `fprintf` works only for real values
- ▶ Use `fclose(fid)` to close the file when writing is completed
- ▶ MATLAB also allows for formatted reading via `fscanf`, but it is recommended to use `load` instead
  - see `help fscanf`

# Error control

- ▶ Warnings and error
  - ▶ Controlled termination
- 
- ▶ `warning`
  - ▶ `lastwarn`
  - ▶ `error`, `assert`
  - ▶ `lasterr`
  - ▶ `try-catch`

## Output of warnings

- ▶ Your programs can give warnings to users, e.g., if the condition number is high and the computed solution of a linear system is possibly inaccurate
  - Warnings give information to the user without terminating the program
- ▶ `warning(string)`; creates a warning
- ▶ `warning off` ensures that no warnings will be displayed to the user (not even those from other functions)
- ▶ Default: `warning on` ensures that all warnings will be displayed in the MATLAB shell
- ▶ `var = lastwarn`; returns the last warning message
  - `lastwarn('')` resets the last warning

## Controlled termination

- ▶ `error(string)` displays an error message `string` and terminates the execution
- ▶ `assert(condition)` leads to termination, if `condition` fails
  - `assert(condition,string)` additionally displays the error message `string`
  - `assert(condition,string,var1,var2,...)` displays the formatted error message `string`, which is interpreted as for `fprintf`
- ▶ `var = lasterr`; returns the last error message
  - i.e., `string` from `error` or `assert`



## Example: Euclidean algorithm

```
1  function a = euclid(a,b)
2
3  % Compute the greatest common divisor (gcd) of
4  % two positive integers by means of Euclidean
5  % algorithm which is based on
6  %   gcd(A,B) = gcd(B,A)
7  % and, for A>B,
8  %   gcd(A,B) = gcd(A-B,B)
9  %
10 % RESULT = EUCLID(A,B) returns the gcd of two
11 % positive integer scalars A and B
12
13 % ensure that input is admissible
14 if ~(isscalar(a) && isscalar(b))
15     error('Input arguments have to be scalars');
16 elseif ( a~=round(a) || b~=round(b) )
17     error('Input arguments have to be integers');
18 elseif (a<=0 || b<=0)
19     error('Input arguments have to be positive');
20 end
21
22 % loop of the Euclidean algorithm
23 while (a~=b)
24     if (a<b) % guarantee a>=b
25         tmp = a;
26         a = b;
27         b = tmp;
28     end
29     a = a-b;
30 end
31 end
```

- ▶ The function checks that all input is admissible, i.e., the arguments are positive integer scalars
- ▶ This is already provided by MATLAB as **gcd**

## Catching errors

```
1  input_is_valid = false;
2  while (~input_is_valid)
3      try
4          disp('Input two positive integers:')
5          a = input('a = ');
6          b = input('b = ');
7          ggT = euclid(a,b);
8          input_is_valid = true;
9      catch
10         disp(lasterr)
11         disp('Please repeat your input!')
12     end
13 end
14 fprintf('ggT(%d,%d) = %d\n',a,b,ggT)
```

- ▶ MATLAB tries to execute the **try** block
- ▶ If an error occurs (or an error is thrown by means of **error** or **assert**), then the code continues with the execution of the **catch** block
- ▶ Recall that the function **lasterr** returns the last error message
- ▶ Usually, the **catch**-block of **try-catch-end** is used to store the current data/variables for later debugging

# Functions II

- ▶ Cell Arrays
  - ▶ Optional input
  - ▶ Optional output
- 
- ▶ `nargin, varargin`
  - ▶ `nargout`
  - ▶ `pwd`
  - ▶ `path, addpath, rmpath`

## Cell Arrays

```
1  A = cell(1,3);
2
3  A{1} = 2;
4  A{2} = 1:2:10;
5  A{3} = 'red';
6
7  n = length(A);
8  vector = A{2};
9  disp(A{end});
```

- ▶ Cell arrays are arrays, where the entries may have different data types
- ▶ Cell arrays are allocated via `container = cell(M,N);`
  - Dynamic allocation is possible, but should be avoided
- ▶ The entries of a cell array are `container{j,k}`
  - as for normal arrays, but with curly brackets instead of round brackets
  - e.g., linear indexing `container{j}` as for matrices,
  - e.g., `size` and `length` are applicable

## Optional output of a function

- ▶ If a function would return  $N$  output values, but the calling code takes only  $n \leq N$ , then the remaining  $N - n$  are automatically discarded
  - e.g., `[x,fx] = bisection(f,a,b)` returns the approximation `x` of a root together with the function value `fx` =  $f(x)$
  - Then, the call `x = bisection(f,a,b)` assigns only the approximate root `x`, while `fx` is discarded
  - Alternatively, one can use
    - `[x,~] = bisection(f,a,b)` to discard `fx`, but only take `x`
    - `[~,fx] = bisection(f,a,b)` to discard `x`, but only take `fx`
- ▶ Any function can use the system variable `nargout` (“number of arguments out”) to get the number of output arguments that are taken by the calling code (i.e.,  $n$  above)
  - This information can be used to avoid unnecessary computations

## Optional input to a function

- ▶ Any function in MATLAB can have obligatory and optional input
  - The system variable `nargin` (“number of arguments in”) provides the information how many arguments are passed to a function
  - If the function expects  $n$  obligatory input parameters, but is called with  $N \geq n$  input parameters, then the last  $N - n$  are optional
- ▶ To allow for optional input, a function must have the signature

```
function [out1,out2,...] = fct(in1,in2,...,varargin)
```

  - with `out1`, `out2`, etc. being the output
  - with `in1`, `in2`, etc. being the obligatory input
  - with `varargin` (“variable arguments in”) being a cell array containing the optional input
- ▶ Suppose that the function `fct` takes  $n$  obligatory input parameters
  - Then, `varargin{j}` contains the additional optional input for  $j = 1, \dots, \text{nargin} - n$  that has been passed to `fct` by the calling code

## Ex: binary search with tolerance

```
1  function index = binsearch(vector,query,varargin)
2
3  % Given a query Q and a tolerance TOL, seek an
4  % index J such that the J-th entry X(J) of a
5  % vector X satisfies |X(J)-Q| <= TOL. Return -1
6  % if no such index exists. The vector X is
7  % required to be sorted in ascending order
8  %
9  % J = binsearch(X,Q [,TOL]) with X being a
10 % numeric vector, Q being a scalar, and TOL being
11 % the optional tolerance which is 0 by default.
12
13 if nargin >= 3
14     tolerance = varargin{1};
15 else
16     tolerance = 0;
17 end
18
19 lower = 1;
20 upper = length(vector);
21 while (lower <= upper)
22     index = floor(0.5*(lower + upper));
23     if ( abs(vector(index)-query) <= tolerance )
24         return
25     elseif (vector(index) >= query)
26         upper = index - 1;
27     else
28         lower = index + 1;
29     end
30 end
31 index = -1;
32 end
```

- The function requires that **vector** is sorted in ascending order.

## Example: secant method

```
1  function x0 = secantMethod(f,x,varargin)
2
3      if nargin >= 3
4          tolerance = varargin{1};
5      else
6          tolerance = 1e-12;
7      end
8      fx = f(x);
9      while true
10         dx = x(2)-x(1);
11         assert(dx~=0,'Iteration led to x_{n} = x_{n-1}');
12         df = (fx(2)-fx(1))/dx;
13         assert(df~=0,'Difference quotient is zero!')
14         if (abs(df) <= tol)
15             warning('Diff. quotient is close to zero!')
16         end
17         x = [x(2), x(2)-df\fx(2)];
18         fx = [fx(2), f(x(2))];
19         abs_dx = abs(dx);
20         max_x = max(abs(x));
21         if ( abs(fx(2))<=tol && ...
22             ( (abs_dx<=tol && max_x<=tol) || ...
23               (abs_dx<=tol*max_x && max_x>tol) ) )
24             break
25         end
26     end
27     x0 = x(2);
28 end
```

- ▶ **Goal:** Approximate a root  $x_0$  of  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- ▶ Given  $x_{n-1}, x_n \in [a, b]$  with  $x_{n-1} \neq x_n$ , compute the root of the secant, i.e.,  $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n - x_{n-1}}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})} f(x_n)$
- ▶ If  $f(x_{n+1}) \approx 0$  and  $x_{n+1} \approx x_n$ , then terminate



## File paths

- ▶ If a function is called, then MATLAB searches certain directories to find appropriate files `name.m`
  - First, current directory, which is returned by `pwd` (“print working directory”)
  - Second, all directories that are contained in MATLAB search path, which is returned by `path`
- ▶ `path` can be modified and adapted
  - `addpath('name')` adds the directory `name`
  - `rmpath('name')` removes the directory `name`
- ▶ One can overload a MATLAB command `name` by providing `name.m` in the current directory
  - MATLAB will always execute the first file that is found in the MATLAB path
- ▶ `which name` shows, which file will be used when `name` is called in MATLAB

# Complexity

- ▶ Complexity of algorithms
- ▶ Landau symbol  $\mathcal{O}$

# Computational complexity

- ▶ The **complexity of an algorithm** is the amount of time, storage, and/or other resources that is necessary to execute it
  - It allows to compare different algorithms
- ▶ **Recall:** An **algorithm** is a finite sequence of unambiguous operations which specify how to solve a problem
- ▶ The **computational complexity of an algorithm** is the number of required elementary operations, i.e.,
  - assignments
  - comparisons
  - arithmetic operations
- ▶ Language-specific operations usually do not count, e.g.,
  - declarations & initializations
  - loops, conditional statements, etc.
  - counters
- ▶ For ease of presentation, we consider the **worst-case computational complexity**, i.e., the maximum number of operations required for inputs of a given size

## Example: Maximum of a vector

```
1  function out = max(x)
2      out = x(1);
3      for j = 2:length(x)
4          if (out < x(j))
5              out = x(j);
6          end
7      end
8  end
```

► Complexity computation:

- 1 assignment ↪ Line 2
- In each step of the **for** loop ↪ Lines 3–7
  - 1 comparison ↪ Line 4
  - 1 assignment (worst case!) ↪ Line 5

► Loops always translate to a sum of operations

- i.e., **for** in line 6 implies  $\sum_{j=2}^n$

► Altogether:

$$1 + \sum_{j=2}^n 2 = 1 + 2(n-1) = 2n - 1$$

- Note: We neglect the evaluation **x(1)** in Line 2 as well as the call of **length(x)** in Line 3. We will see in the following that this is fine asymptotically, if the effort for these operations is constant

# Landau symbol $\mathcal{O}$ (= big O)

- ▶ Very often, only the **order of magnitude** of the computational complexity is of interest
- ▶ Definition: One writes  $f = \mathcal{O}(g)$  as  $x \rightarrow x_0$ 
  - if  $\limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| < \infty$
  - i.e.,  $|f(x)| \leq C |g(x)|$  as  $x \rightarrow x_0$
  - i.e.,  $f$  grows at most like  $g$  for  $x \rightarrow x_0$
- ▶ Example: The determination of the maximum of a vector of length  $n$  has complexity  $2n - 1 = \mathcal{O}(n)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$
- ▶ Often, “as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ” is omitted, as it is clear from the context
  - Standard choice (asymptotic complexity)
- ▶ In words:
  - An algorithm has **linear complexity**, if its complexity is  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  for problems of size  $n$ 
    - e.g., determine the maximum of a vector
  - An algorithm has **quasilinear complexity**, if its complexity is  $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$  for problems of size  $n$
  - An algorithm has **quadratic complexity**, if its complexity is  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  for problems of size  $n$
  - An algorithm has **cubic complexity**, if its complexity is  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$  for problems of size  $n$

## Matrix-vector multiplication

```
1  function b = matrixVectorProduct(A,x)
2      [m,n] = size(A);
3      b = zeros(m,1);
4      for j = 1:m
5          for k = 1:n
6              b(j) = b(j) + A(j,k)*x(k);
7          end
8      end
9  end
```

- ▶ 2 assignments for  $m$  and  $n$
- ▶ 1 assignments for each entry of  $b$
- ▶ In each step of the **for** loop over  $j$   $\rightsquigarrow$  Lines 4–8
  - In each step of the **for** loop over  $k$   $\rightsquigarrow$  Lines 5–7
    - 1 multiplication  $\rightsquigarrow$  Line 6
    - 1 addition  $\rightsquigarrow$  Line 6
    - 1 assignment  $\rightsquigarrow$  Line 6
- ▶ Altogether:

$$2 + m + \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n 3 = 2 + m + 3mn = \mathcal{O}(mn)$$

- ▶ Complexity  $\mathcal{O}(mn)$ 
  - i.e., complexity  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  for  $m = n$
  - i.e., quadratic complexity for  $m = n$

## Linear search in a vector

```
1  function index = search(vector, query, tolerance)
2      for index = 1:length(vector)
3          if ( abs(vector(index)-query) <= tolerance )
4              return
5          end
6      end
7      index = -1;
8  end
```

► **Task:** Given a vector  $x \in \mathbb{K}^n$  and a query  $q \in \mathbb{K}$ , seek an index  $j$  with  $|x_j - q| \leq \text{tolerance}$

- Return  $-1$  if no such index exists

► In each step of the **for** loop over  $j$

- 1 subtraction
- 1 absolute value
- 1 comparison

► Altogether:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n 3 = 3n$$

► Complexity  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

## Binary search in sorted vector

```
1  function index = binarySearch(vector,query,tol)
2      lower = 1;
3      upper = length(vector);
4      while (lower <= upper)
5          index = floor(0.5*(lower + upper));
6          if ( abs(vector(index)-query) <= tol )
7              return
8          elseif (vector(index) > query)
9              upper = index - 1;
10         else
11             lower = index + 1;
12         end
13     end
14     index = -1;
15 end
```

- ▶ **Task:** Given a vector  $x \in \mathbb{K}^n$  and a query  $q \in \mathbb{K}$ , seek an index  $j$  with  $|x_j - q| \leq \text{tol}$ 
  - Return  $-1$  if no such index exists
- ▶ **Assumption:** Vector is sorted in ascending order
- ▶ Adapt the idea of dictionary search and consider halved vector, if  $|x_j - q| > \text{tol}$
- ▶ **Question:** How many iterations does the alg. have?
  - Each step halves the vector
  - If  $n$  is even, choose  $k$  with  $n/2^k = 1$
  - Hence, at most  $k = \log_2 n$  steps with each
    - 2 comparisons, 2 assignments, 1 call of **floor** and **abs**, 1 multiplication, 3 additions
- ▶ Complexity  $\mathcal{O}(\log_2 n)$ , i.e., logarithmic complexity
  - Sublinear complexity  $\mathcal{O}(\log_2 n) \ll \mathcal{O}(n)$



# Selection sort

```
1  function vector = selectionSort(vector)
2      for j = 1:length(vector)-1
3          argmin = j;
4          for k = j+1:length(vector)
5              if ( vector(argmin) > vector(k) )
6                  argmin = k;
7              end
8          end
9          if ( argmin > j)
10             vector([j argmin]) = vector([argmin j]);
11         end
12     end
13 end
```

- ▶ Selection sort is probably the most naive algorithm that sorts a vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  in ascending order
- ▶ Call by value requires  $n$  assignments to copy  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- ▶ In each step of the **for** loop over  $j$ 
  - 1 assignment
  - In each step of the **for** loop over  $k$ 
    - 1 comparison
    - 1 assignment (worst case!)
  - 1 comparison
  - 2 assignments (worst case!)
- ▶ quadratic complexity  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ , because:

$$\begin{aligned} n + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \left( 4 + \sum_{k=j+1}^n 2 \right) &= n + 4(n-1) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (n-j)2 \\ &= 5n - 4 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k = 5n - 4 + 2 \frac{n(n-1)}{2} = \mathcal{O}(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

# Cost and computational time

- ▶ Why time measurement?
  - Comparison of algorithms/implementations
  - Validation of theoretical considerations
- ▶ We suppose that all operations that have been counted for the computational complexity require the same amount of time
- ▶ Then, we can make theoretical predictions on the runtime of an algorithm
  - **Linear complexity**
    - Problem size  $n \Rightarrow Cn$  operations
    - Problem size  $kn \Rightarrow Ckn$  operations
    - i.e.,  $3\times$  problem size  $\Rightarrow 3\times$  runtime
  - **Quadratic complexity**
    - Problem size  $n \Rightarrow Cn^2$  operations
    - Problem size  $kn \Rightarrow Ck^2n^2$  operations
    - i.e.,  $3\times$  problem size  $\Rightarrow 9\times$  runtime
  - **Cubic complexity**
    - Problem size  $n \Rightarrow Cn^3$  operations
    - Problem size  $kn \Rightarrow Ck^3n^3$  operations
    - i.e.,  $3\times$  problem size  $\Rightarrow 27\times$  runtime
  - etc.
- ▶ E.g., if a program takes 1 s for  $n = 1.000$ , then:
  - Complexity  $\mathcal{O}(n) \Rightarrow 10$  s for  $n = 10.000$
  - Complexity  $\mathcal{O}(n^2) \Rightarrow 100$  s for  $n = 10.000$
  - Complexity  $\mathcal{O}(n^3) \Rightarrow 1.000$  s for  $n = 10.000$

# Measuring the computational time

▶ Stopping the real time:

- Use `tic` to start the stopwatch
- Use `toc` to get the elapsed time in seconds

▶ Example:

```
>> tic  
>> A = rand(10000,10000);  
>> elapsed_time = toc
```

Then, `elapsed_time` contains the time needed to create the matrix containing random entries

▶ Stopping the computational time:

- `cputime` returns the CPU time of MATLAB elapsed since its start (measured in seconds)

▶ Example:

```
>> t = cputime;  
>> A = rand(10000,10000);  
>> elapsed_time = cputime-t
```

Then, `elapsed_time` contains the CPU time needed to create the matrix containing random entries

## Runtime comparison 1/2

```
1  clear all
2
3  Nmin = 500;
4  Jmax = 22;
5  for j = 1:Jmax
6      x = 1:Nmin*2^j;
7      t1(j) = cputime;
8      binarySearch(x,0,0);          %*** sublinear cost
9      t1(j) = cputime - t1(j);
10     fprintf('binarySearch, %d: %d, %1.2f\n',
11             j, length(x), t1(j));
12 end
13 n1 = Nmin*2.^(1:Jmax);
14
15 for j = 1:Jmax
16     x = 1:Nmin*2^j;
17     t2(j) = cputime;
18     search(x,0,0);                 %*** linear cost
19     t2(j) = cputime - t2(j);
20     fprintf('search, %d: %d, %1.2f\n',
21             j, length(x), t2(j));
22 end
23 n2 = Nmin*2.^(1:Jmax);
24
25 Jmax = 10;
26 for j = 1:Jmax
27     x = flip(1:Nmin*2^j);
28     t3(j) = cputime;
29     selectionSort(x);              %*** quadratic cost
30     t3(j) = cputime - t3(j);
31     fprintf('selectionSort, %d: %d, %1.2f\n',
32             j, length(x), t3(j));
33 end
34 n3 = Nmin*2.^(1:Jmax);
35
36 save('runtime_comparison');
```

## Runtime comparison 2/2

|               | $\mathcal{O}(n)$ | $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  | $\mathcal{O}(\log_2 n)$ |
|---------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| $n$           | search           | selectionSort       | binarySearch            |
| 1.000         | 0.00             | 0.01                | 0.00                    |
| 2.000         | 0.00             | 0.04                | 0.00                    |
| 4.000         | 0.00             | 0.10                | 0.00                    |
| 8.000         | 0.00             | 0.10                | 0.00                    |
| 16.000        | 0.00             | 0.33                | 0.00                    |
| 32.000        | 0.00             | 1.26                | 0.00                    |
| 64.000        | 0.00             | 4.87                | 0.00                    |
| 128.000       | 0.00             | 20.83               | 0.00                    |
| 256.000       | 0.00             | 80.29               | 0.00                    |
| 512.000       | 0.00             | 328.20              | 0.00                    |
| 1.024.000     | 0.01             | $\geq 21\text{min}$ | 0.00                    |
| 2.048.000     | 0.01             | $\geq 84\text{min}$ | 0.00                    |
| 4.096.000     | 0.01             | $\geq 5, 5\text{h}$ | 0.00                    |
| 8.192.000     | 0.02             | $\geq 22\text{h}$   | 0.00                    |
| 16.384.000    | 0.04             | $\geq 3, 5\text{d}$ | 0.00                    |
| 32.768.000    | 0.07             | $\geq 14\text{d}$   | 0.00                    |
| 65.536.000    | 0.14             | $\geq 1, 5\text{m}$ | 0.00                    |
| 131.072.000   | 0.38             | $\geq 6\text{m}$    | 0.00                    |
| 262.144.000   | 0.62             | $\geq 2\text{y}$    | 0.00                    |
| 524.288.000   | 1.42             | $\geq 8\text{y}$    | 0.00                    |
| 1.048.576.000 | 2.41             | $\geq 32\text{y}$   | 0.00                    |
| 2.097.152.000 | 11.09            | $\geq 128\text{y}$  | 0.00                    |

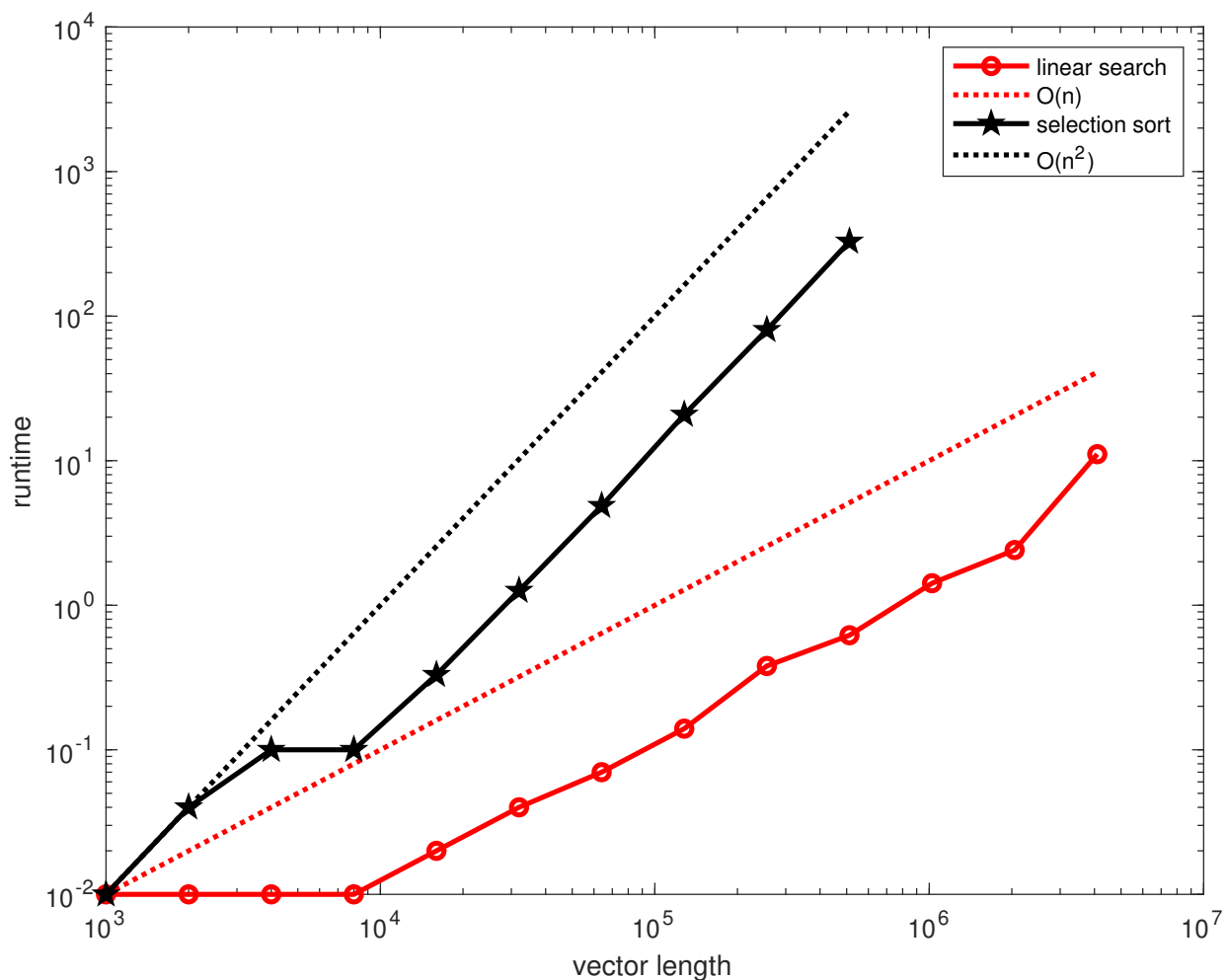
- ▶ Logarithmic complexity is nice, as  $2^{31} > 2.14 \cdot 10^9$
- ▶ Also linear complexity yields good runtime
- ▶ Quadratic complexity for large  $n$  is noticeable
  - Naive sorting of a vector of length 2.097.152.000 would require more than 128 years on my PC!
  - Probably, this could not even be solved by buying new hardware!
- ▶ Algorithms should have minimal complexity
  - This is one of the tasks of numerical analysis
  - Clearly, this is not always possible

## Visualization 1/4

```
1  load runtime_comparison;
2
3  loglog(n2,t2,'r-o','LineWidth',2);
4  hold on;
5  loglog(n2,n2/n2(1)*t2(1),'r:','LineWidth',2);
6
7  loglog(n3,t3,'k-p','LineWidth',2);
8  loglog(n3,n3.^2/n3(1)^2*t3(1),'k:','LineWidth',2);
9  hold off;
10
11 ylabel('runtime')
12 xlabel('vector length')
13 legend('linear search','O(n)',
14        'selection sort','O(n^2)');
15 print -depsc2 complexity_loglog.eps
```

- Recall that  $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^\alpha)$  is visualized via **loglog**
- $T(n)$  is the runtime for a vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
  - $\alpha > 0$  is the dependence
    - $\alpha = 1$  is linear complexity
    - $\alpha = 2$  is quadratic complexity

## Visualization 2/4



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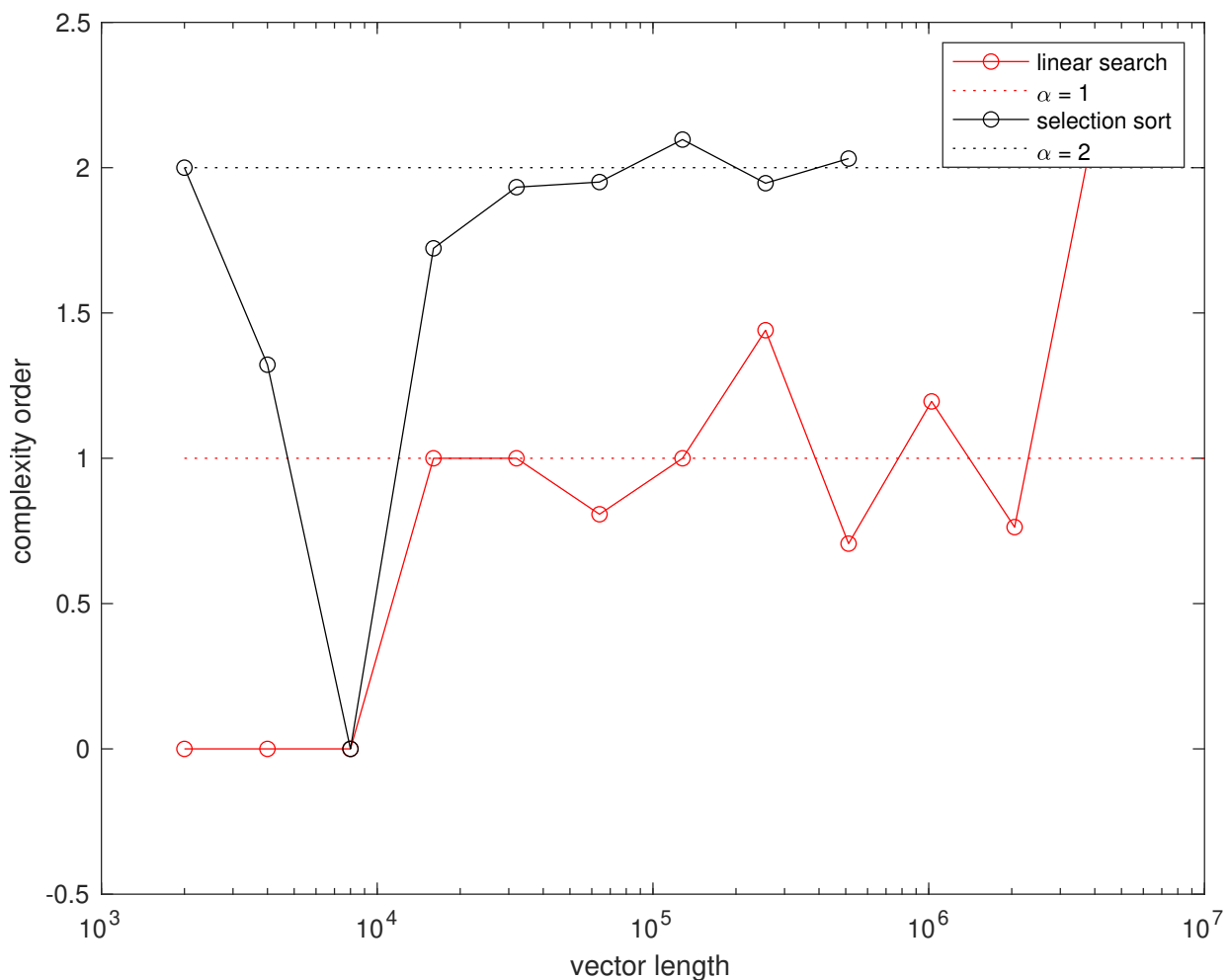
## Visualization 3/4

```
1  load runtime_comparison;
2
3  figure(2);
4  alpha2 = log(t2(2:end)./t2(1:end-1)) / log(2);
5  semilogx(n2(2:end),alpha2,'r-o');
6  hold on;
7  semilogx([n2(2),1e7],[1,1],'r:');
8
9  alpha3 = log(t3(2:end)./t3(1:end-1)) / log(2);
10 semilogx(n3(2:end),alpha3,'k-o');
11 semilogx([n3(2),1e7],[2,2],'k:');
12 hold off;
13
14 ylabel('complexity order');
15 xlabel('vector length');
16 legend('linear search','\alpha = 1',
17        'selection sort','\alpha = 2');
18 print -depsc2 complexity_semilogx.eps
```

- ▶ With  $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^\alpha)$ , we suppose that  $T(n) = Cn^\alpha$ 
  - with unknown  $C, \alpha > 0$
- ▶ Then,  $T(2n)/T(n) = 2^\alpha$ 
  - and hence  $\alpha = \log_2(T(2n)/T(n)) / \log_2(2)$
- ▶ We can thus also plot the experimental  $\alpha$  over  $2n$ , where the  $x$ -axis is scaled logarithmically
- ▶ The computed nodes should be “almost constant”



## Visualization 4/4



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## Necessity of memory allocation 1/3

```
1  clear all;
2  N = 1e8;
3
4  %*** for loop without allocation
5  t = cputime;
6  for i = 1:N
7      x(i) = i;
8  end
9  fprintf("dynamic:    %f sec\n",cputime - t);
10
11  clear x t i
12
13  %*** for loop with allocation
14  t = cputime;
15  x = zeros(1,N);
16  for i = 1:N
17      x(i) = i;
18  end
19  fprintf("allocated:  %f sec\n",cputime - t);
20
21  clear x t i
22
23  %*** MATLAB built-in arithmetics
24  t = cputime;
25  x = 1:N;
26  fprintf("built-in:   %f sec\n",cputime - t);
```

### ► Output:

```
dynamic:    8.600000 sec
allocated:  0.430000 sec
built-in:   0.350000 sec
```

## Necessity of memory allocation 2/3

```
1  clear all;
2  N = 2*1e3;
3
4  %*** for loop without allocation
5  t = cputime;
6  for i = 1:N
7      for j = 1:N
8          x(i,j) = i*j;
9      end
10 end
11 fprintf("dynamic:    %f sec\n",cputime - t);
12
13 clear x t i j
14
15 %*** for loop with allocation
16 t = cputime;
17 x = zeros(N,N);
18 for i = 1:N
19     for j = 1:N
20         x(i,j) = i*j;
21     end
22 end
23 fprintf("allocated: %f sec\n",cputime - t);
```

### ► Output:

```
dynamic:    3.310000 sec
allocated: 0.090000 sec
```

## Hidden computational time

- ▶ Since the previous runtimes do not look intimidating on a first glance, one should consider the computational complexity!
- ▶ Recall that matrices  $A \in \mathbb{K}^{m \times n}$  are stored columnwise in MATLAB
- ▶ If the matrix is getting new rows and is extended to  $A \in \mathbb{K}^{M \times N}$ , then all entries of  $A$  (except  $A_{j1}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ ) must either be moved or initialized
  - This needs  $\mathcal{O}(MN)$  operations
- ▶ In the last example, the matrix grows from a scalar  $A \in \mathbb{R}$  over row vectors  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times k}$  and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times N}$  to matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{j \times N}$  and finally  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ 
  - This amounts to  $\sum_{j=2}^N \mathcal{O}(jN) = \mathcal{O}(N \sum_{j=2}^N j)$  operations
- ▶ Note that  $N \sum_{j=2}^N j = N \left( \frac{N(N+1)}{2} - 1 \right) = \mathcal{O}(N^3)$
- ▶ Overall, dynamic growth of the matrix leads to a hidden cubic complexity  $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$ , while the visible (algorithmic) complexity for filling the matrix is only  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$ .

# Sparse matrices

## Sparse matrices

- ▶ A matrix  $A \in \mathbb{K}^{m \times n}$  is called **sparse** if most of its entries are 0
  - i.e., number  $\#\{(i, j) \mid A_{ij} \neq 0\} = \mathcal{O}(m + n)$  for  $m, n \rightarrow \infty$
- ▶ Important examples are diagonal matrices, tridiagonal matrices, or more general matrices with so-called band structure
  - Such matrices appear often in applications
- ▶ Sparse matrices can be stored more efficiently with  $\mathcal{O}(m + n)$  instead of  $\mathcal{O}(mn)$ , if only the non-zero entries are stored
- ▶ Many algorithms like matrix-vector multiplication (and also solvers) can be implemented more efficiently for sparse matrices

## Coordinate format

- ▶  $N := \#\{(i, j) \mid A_{ij} \neq 0\}$  number of non-zero entries
- ▶ The so-called coordinate format relies on naively storing three vectors  $I \in \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $J \in \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{K}^N$
- ▶ Then,  $1 \leq k \leq N$ ,  $i = I(k)$ ,  $j = J(k) \Rightarrow A_{ij} = a(k)$
- ▶ **Advantage:** Matrix-vector multiplication and storage are clearly  $\mathcal{O}(N)$  instead of  $\mathcal{O}(mn)$
- ▶ **Disadvantage:** Each access to  $A_{ij}$  may also need  $\mathcal{O}(N)$  operations via linear search
- ▶ **Note:** For any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{K}^{m \times n}$  that is dense or sparse, MATLAB provides the coordinate format by `[I,J,a] = find(A);`

## Example

- ▶  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 7 & 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 8 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 & 9 & 13 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$
- ▶  $a = (10, 3, 3 \mid 9, 7, 8, 4 \mid 8, 8 \mid -2, 5, 9, 2 \mid 3, 13, -1)$
- ▶  $I = (1, 2, 4 \mid 2, 3, 5, 6 \mid 3, 4 \mid 1, 4, 5, 6 \mid 2, 5, 6)$
- ▶  $J = (1, 1, 1 \mid 2, 2, 2, 2 \mid 3, 3 \mid 4, 4, 4, 4 \mid 5, 5, 5)$

## CCS-format

- ▶ MATLAB uses the coordinate format for communicating to the user / programmer
- ▶ However, it uses the CCS-format for storage
  - **Compressed Column Storage**  
(also: **Harwell-Boeing-Format**)
- ▶  $N := \#\{(i, j) \mid A_{ij} \neq 0\}$  number of non-zero entries
- ▶ Vectors  $I \in \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{K}^N$  as before
- ▶ Vector  $J \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  as follows:
  - $J(k)$  indicates where the  $k$ -th column starts in vector  $I$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n$
  - $J(n+1) := N+1$
- ▶ **Improvement:** If only  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  elements per column, then the access to  $A_{ij}$  needs only  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  operations
  - However, the CCS format requires sorted data

## Example

- ▶  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 7 & 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 8 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 & 9 & 13 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$
- ▶  $a = (10, 3, 3 \mid 9, 7, 8, 4 \mid 8, 8 \mid -2, 5, 9, 2 \mid 3, 13, -1)$
- ▶  $I = (1, 2, 4 \mid 2, 3, 5, 6 \mid 3, 4 \mid 1, 4, 5, 6 \mid 2, 5, 6)$
- ▶  $J = (1 \mid 4 \mid 8 \mid 10 \mid 14 \mid 17)$ , i.e.,  $N = 16$



# Sparse matrices in MATLAB

- ▶ Sparse matrices are allocated by `sparse`
  - e.g., `A = sparse(m,n);`
  - or conversion `A = sparse(matrix);`
    - convert back by `Afull = full(A);`
- ▶ MATLAB uses optimized algorithms for sparse matrices that are substantially faster than those for full matrices
- ▶ Modification of sparse matrices is costly
  - since CCS-storage vectors are partially sorted
  - and hence memory must be copied
- ▶ Building sparse matrices can be costly
  - if one executes `A = sparse(m,n);`
  - and then assigns `A(i,j)`
  - Better:
    - first, build the naive coordinate format  
 $I, J \in \mathbb{R}^N$  and  $a \in \mathbb{K}^N$
    - then, use `A = sparse(I,J,a,m,n);` to build the matrix in the sparse format
- ▶ **Recall:** For any  $A \in \mathbb{K}^{m \times n}$ , MATLAB provides the coordinate format by `[I,J,a] = find(A);`

## Sparse matrix 1/4

```
1 % sparse_naive.m
2 n = 1e4;
3
4 A = sparse( 2*eye(n) ...
5             - diag(ones(n-1,1),-1) ...
6             + diag(ones(n-1,1),1) );
```

► **Example:** Build tridiagonal matrix with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & +1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & +1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & +1 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 2 on main diagonal
- $\pm 1$  on first diagonals above and below

► Build diagonal matrices with `diag`

- `A = diag(v,n)`
- Parameter `v` vector for diagonal
- Parameter `n` indicates offset from main diagonal

► This is a **bad solution** with runtime  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$

- We assemble a full matrix in  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$
- and convert it to `sparse`
  - For  $n = 1e4 = 10.000$ , this needs  
 $n^2 \times 8 \text{ Bytes} \approx 763 \text{ MB}$  auxiliary memory!
  - compare with  $(3n - 2) \times 8 \text{ Bytes} \approx 0.23 \text{ MB}$ !

## Sparse matrix 2/4

```
1  % sparse_naivefor.m
2  n = 1e4;
3
4  A = sparse(n,n);
5  A(1,1) = 2;
6  A(1,2) = 1;
7  A(n-1,1) = -1;
8  A(n,n) = 2;
9
10 for i = 2:n-1
11     A(i,i-1:i+1) = [-1 2 1];
12 end
```

► **Example:** Build tridiagonal matrix with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & +1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & +1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & +1 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

► This is an **even worse solution**, since the runtime even exceeds  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$

- in  $i$ -th step
  - $2 + 3(i - 2) = \mathcal{O}(i)$  entries in matrix
  - must be sorted for CCS-format
  - Cost is  $\mathcal{O}(i \log i)$  per step
- Hence, the total cost is  $\geq \mathcal{O}(\sum_{i=2}^{n-1} i) = \mathcal{O}(n^2)$

## Sparse matrix 3/4

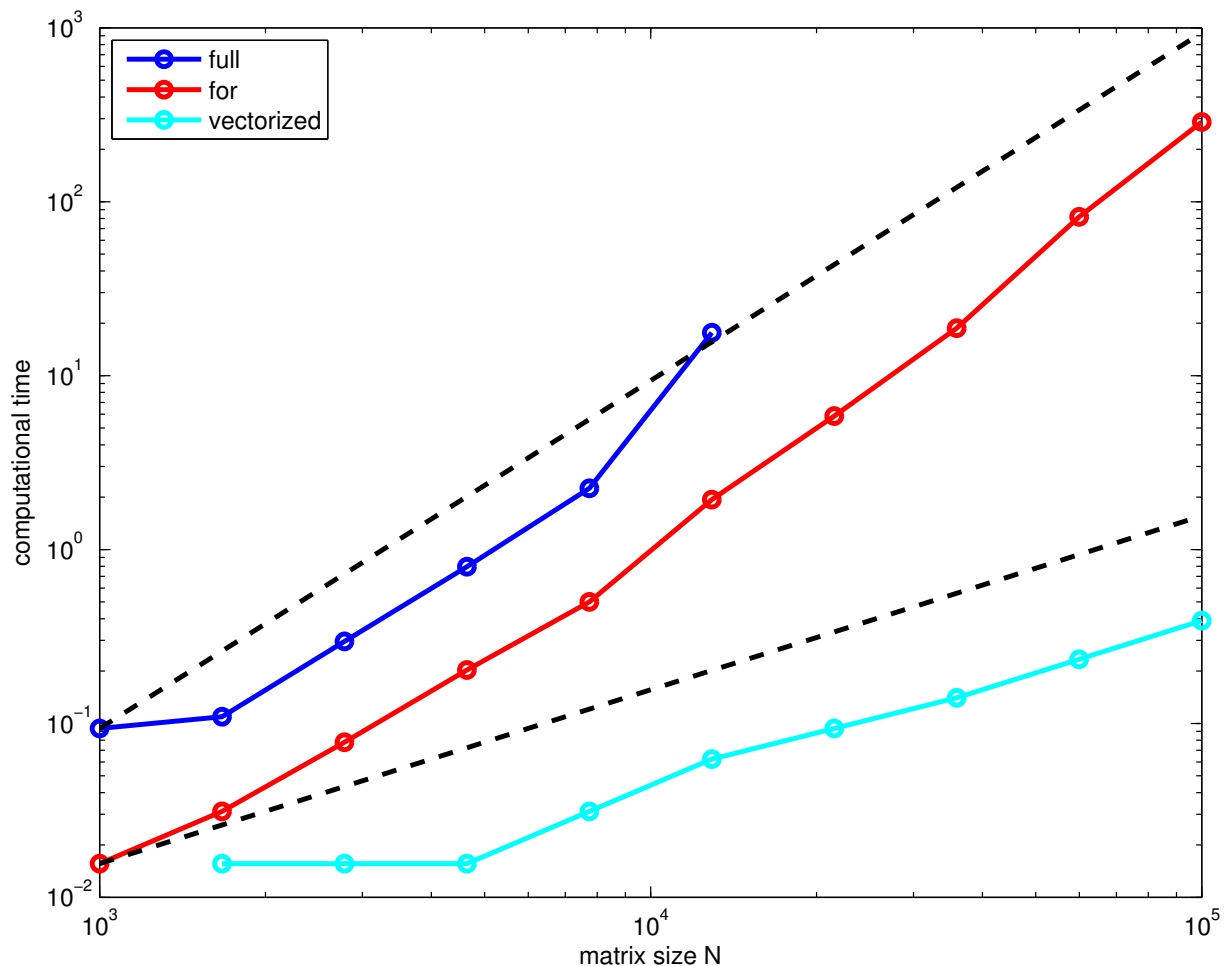
```
1  % sparse_tridiag.m
2  n = 1e4;
3
4  I = zeros(3*(n-2)+4,1);
5  J = zeros(3*(n-2)+4,1);
6  a = zeros(3*(n-2)+4,1);
7
8  I(1:2) = [1 2];
9  J(1:2) = [1 1];
10 a(1:2) = [2 -1];
11
12 for i = 2:n-1
13     I(3+(i-2)*3:2+(i-1)*3) = [i-1 i i+1];
14     J(3+(i-2)*3:2+(i-1)*3) = [i i i];
15     a(3+(i-2)*3:2+(i-1)*3) = [1 2 -1];
16 end
17
18 I(end-1:end) = [n-1 n];
19 J(end-1:end) = [n n];
20 a(end-1:end) = [1 2];
21
22 A = sparse(I,J,a,n,n);
```

- **Example:** Use the coordinate format to build the tridiagonal matrix with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & +1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & +1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & +1 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

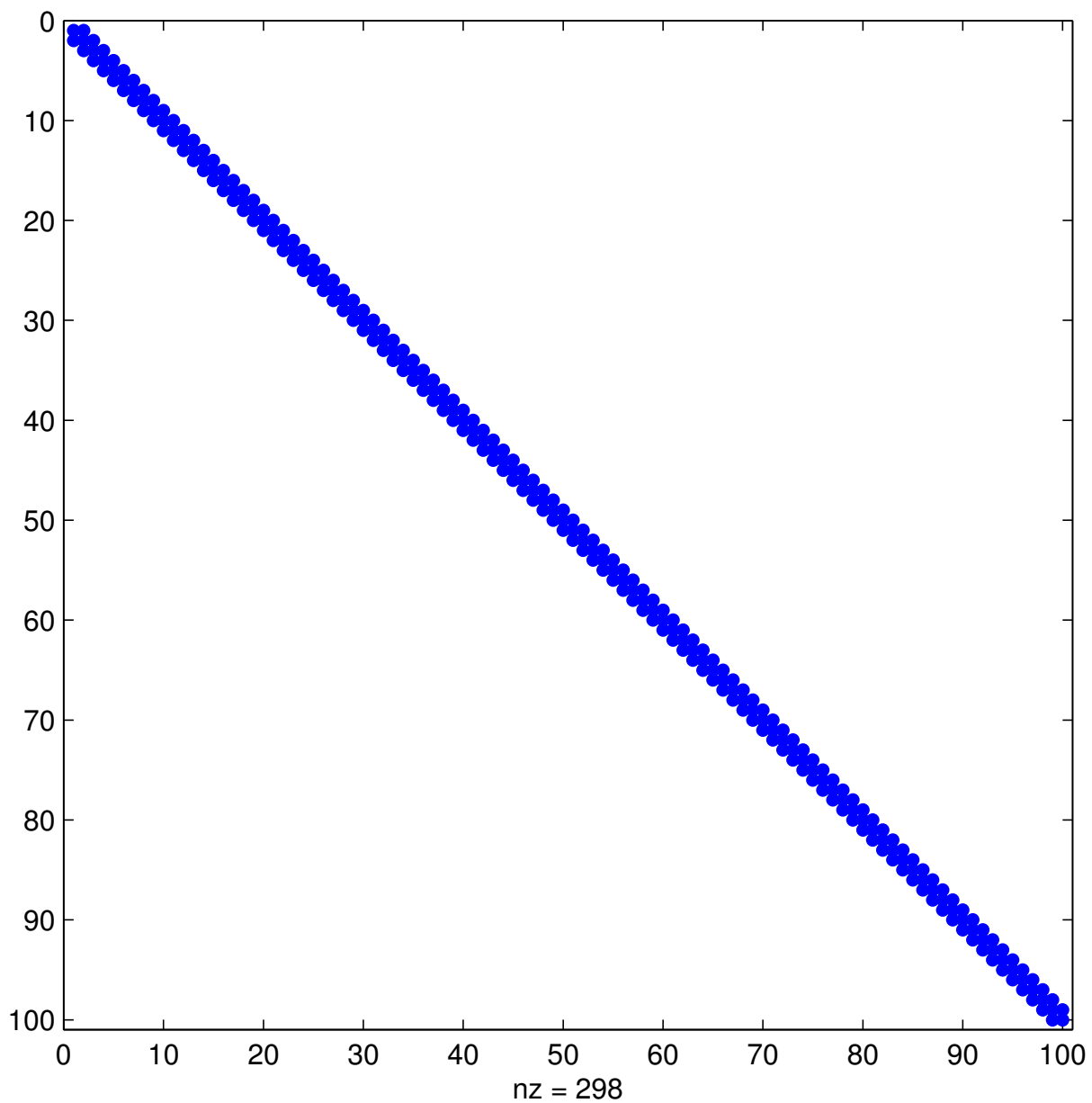
- **Advantage:** No temporary full matrix needed and the runtime is indeed logarithmic-linear in  $n$ , since only  $1 \times$  sort is required to build the CCS-format

## Sparse matrix 4/4



- Visualization by **loglog**
  - time = (size of matrix  $N$ ) $^\alpha$  with  $\alpha > 0$
  - $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$  = straight line with slope 2
  - $\mathcal{O}(N)$  = straight line with slope 1

# Matrix structure



- The structure of the non-zero entries of a matrix is visualized with `spy`
  - Entries  $\neq 0$  are shown in a grid
  - matrix indices on both axes
    - here:  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{100 \times 100}$
    - 298 entries  $\neq 0$  (non-zero entries)

# Visualization

► Visualization of functions  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

► meshgrid

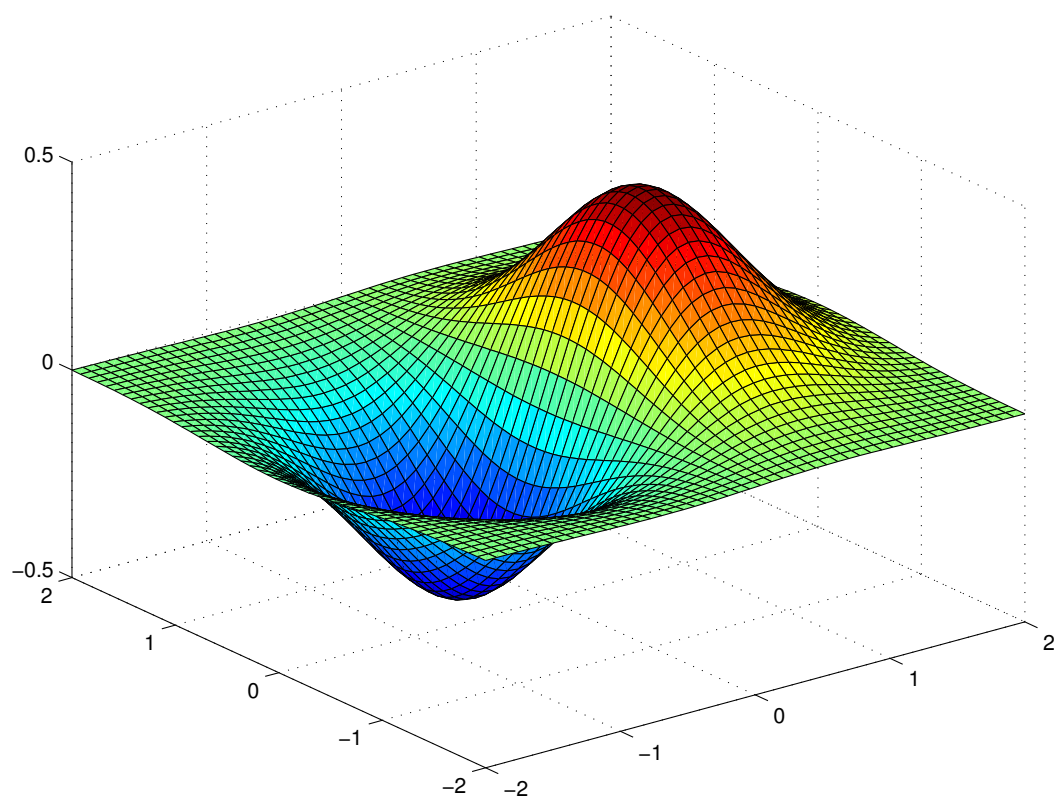
► mesh, surf

► fill

► contour

► colorbar, colormap

## An example function



►  $f(x, y) = x \cdot e^{-(x^2 + y^2)}$

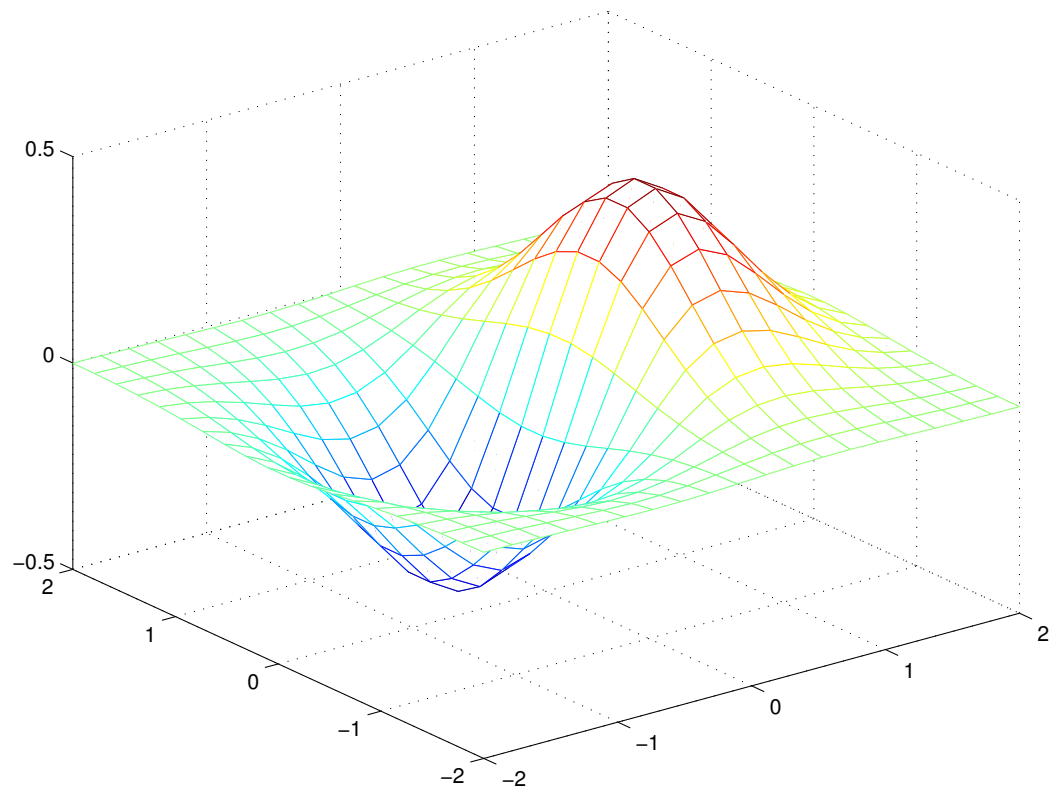


## Tensor grid

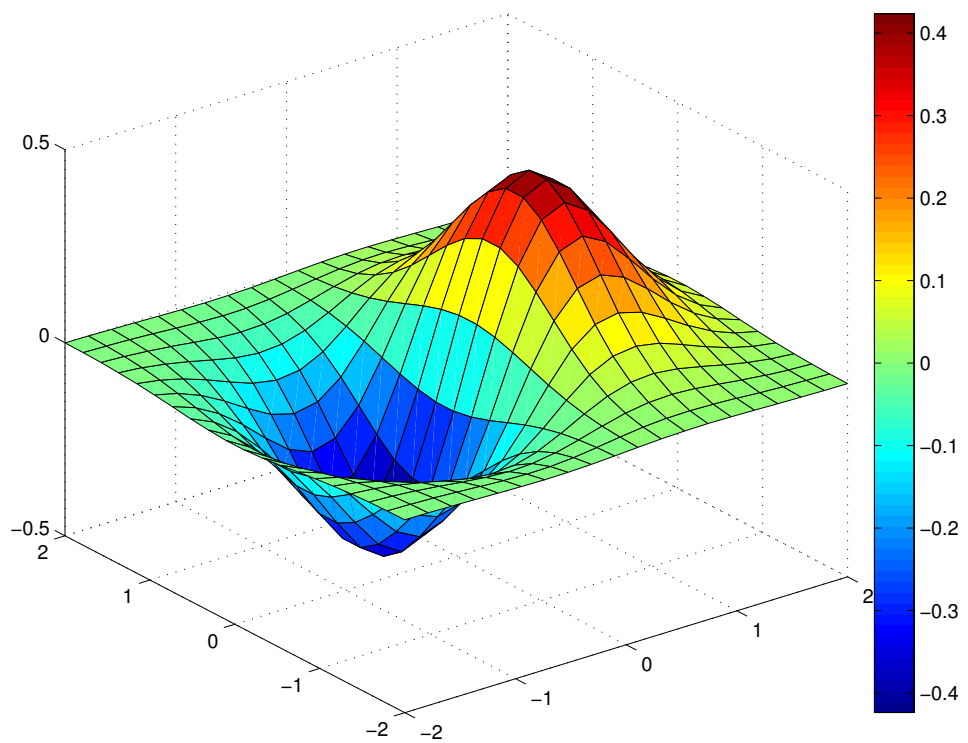
```
1  f = @(x,y) x.*exp(-x.^2-y.^2);
2  x = linspace(-2,2,20);
3  y = linspace(-2,2,20);
4  [X,Y] = meshgrid(x,y);
5  Z = f(X,Y);
6
7  figure(1)
8  mesh(X,Y,Z)
9
10 figure(2)
11 surf(X,Y,Z)
12 colorbar
```

- ▶ Subdivision  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  of interval  $I$ ,  $n$  nodes
- ▶ Subdivision  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$  of interval  $J$ ,  $m$  nodes
- ▶ `[X,Y] = meshgrid(x,y)` a tensor grid for  $I \times J$ 
  - i.e.,  $mn$  nodes in  $I \times J$
  - $X, Y \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$
- ▶ `mesh(X,Y,Z)` plots function values over tensor grid
  - color according to function value
- ▶ `surf(X,Y,Z)` plots function values over tensor grid
  - interpolates between nodes
- ▶ `colorbar` returns color code for  $z = f(x, y)$
- ▶ `colormap(rgb)` chooses RGB-map  $\text{rgb} \in [0, 1]^{N \times 3}$ 
  - e.g., `jet`, `gray`, `copper`, `hot`, `cool`, `summer`, `winter`

► `figure(1)` → `mesh`



► `figure(2)` → `surf`

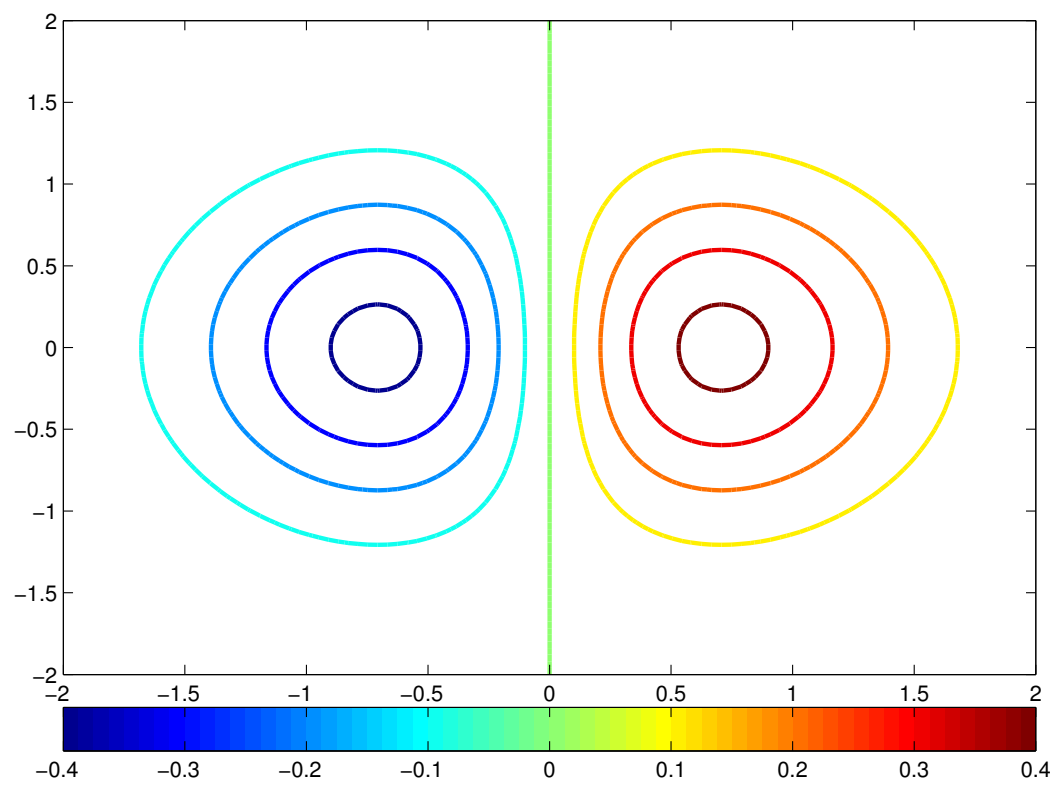


## Contour plot

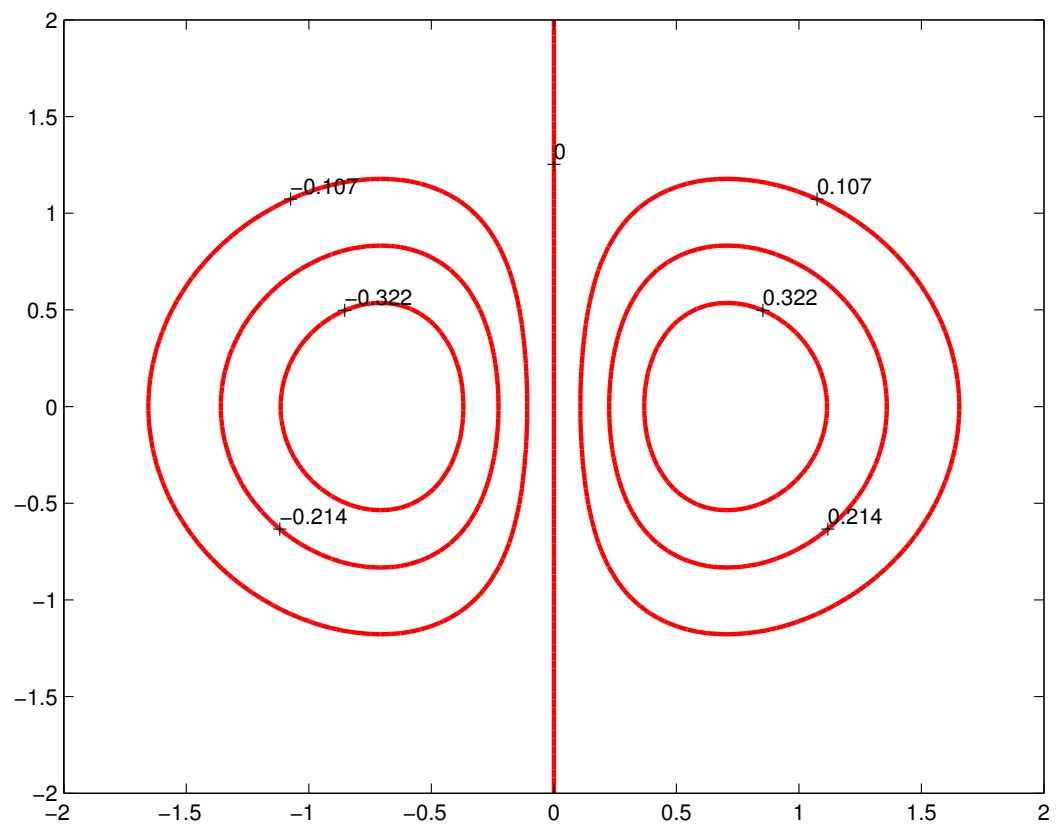
```
1  f = @(x,y) x.*exp(-x.^2-y.^2);
2  x = linspace(-2,2,100);
3  y = linspace(-2,2,100);
4  [X,Y] = meshgrid(x,y);
5  Z = f(X,Y);
6
7  %*** plot colored contour lines
8  figure(1)
9  contour(X,Y,Z,'LineWidth',2)
10 colorbar('SouthOutside')
11
12 %*** contour lines red, labeled
13 figure(2)
14 C = contour(X,Y,Z,...
15             7,'LineColor','r','LineWidth',2);
16 clabel(C)
```

- ▶ `contour(X,Y,Z)` shows colored contour lines
- ▶ Optional parameters
  - number of contour lines (default is 9)
  - further options like for `plot`
- ▶ Labeling of contour lines with `Z`-value
  - by `clabel`

► figure(1)



► figure(2)

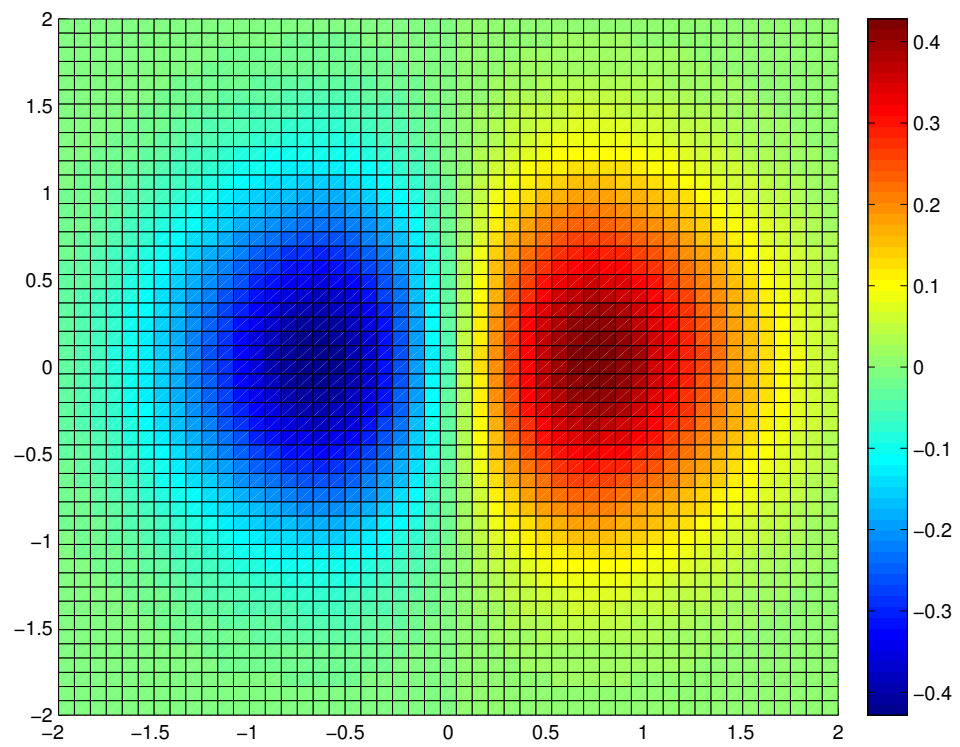


## Projection to plane

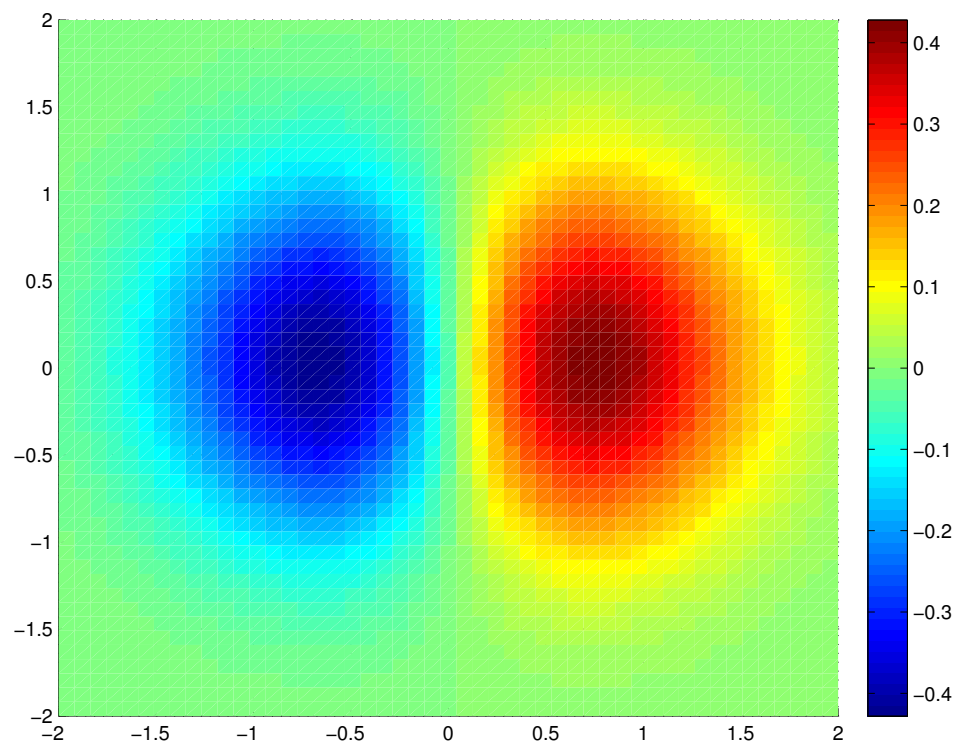
```
1  f = @(x,y) x.*exp(-x.^2-y.^2);
2  x = linspace(-2,2,50);
3  y = linspace(-2,2,50);
4  [X,Y] = meshgrid(x,y);
5  Z = f(X,Y);
6
7  figure(1)
8  surf(X,Y,Z);
9  view(2)
10 colorbar
11
12 figure(2)
13 surf(X,Y,Z,'LineStyle','none');
14 colorbar
15 view(2)
```

- ▶ **view(azimuth,elevation)** : Location of observer
  - **elevation** = altitude angle over x-y-plane
  - **azimuth** = angle in x-y-plane
- ▶ **view(2)** = 2D from above onto x-y-plane
  - i.e., **azimuth**=0, **elevation**=90
- ▶ **view(3)** = standard 3D-settings
- ▶ **[azimuth,elevation] = view** returns current values
  - possible to rotate 3D-picture by mouse
  - read and store “good” settings by this method

► figure(1)



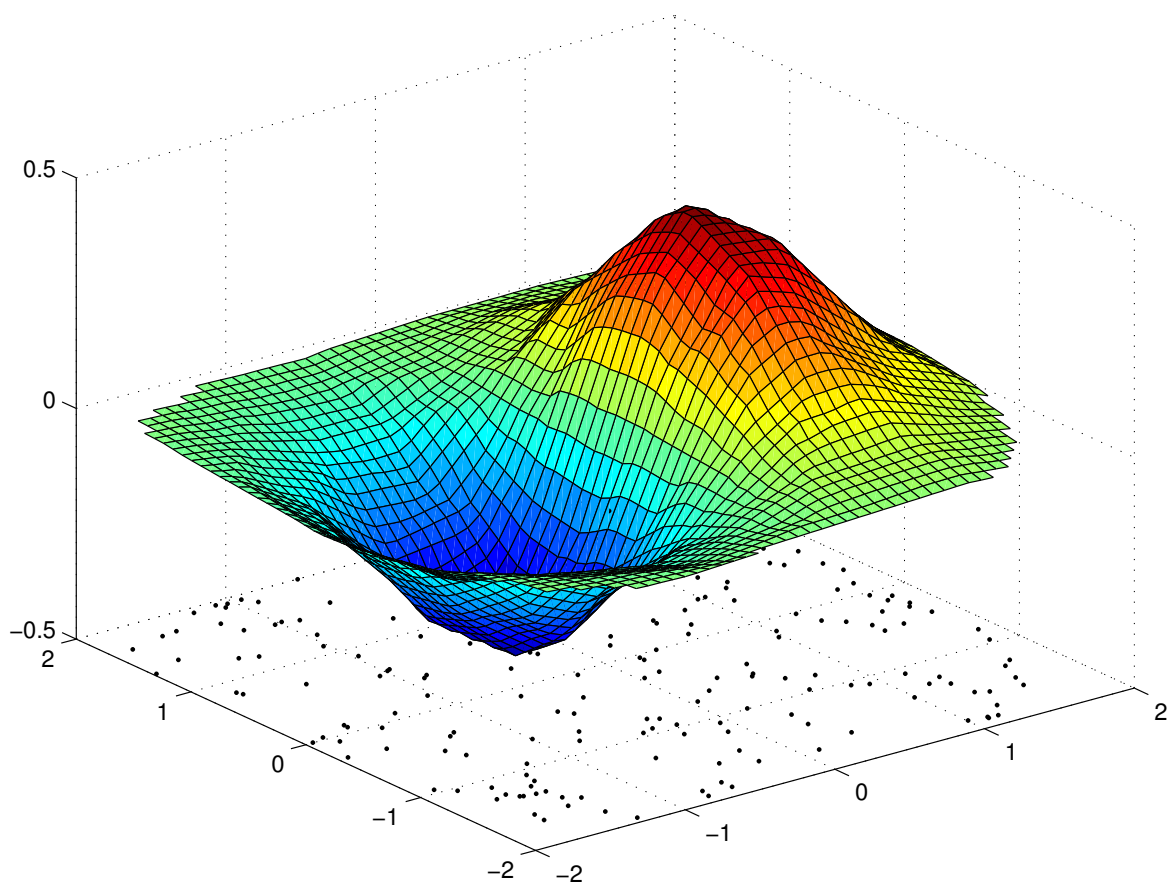
► figure(2)



## Non-tensor grid

```
1  f = @(x,y) x.*exp(-x.^2-y.^2);
2
3  %*** compute known values of function
4  x = 4*rand(1,200)-2; % random numbers in [-2,2]
5  y = 4*rand(1,200)-2; % random numbers in [-2,2]
6  z = f(x,y);
7
8  %*** build tensor grid
9  xx = linspace(-2,2,50);
10 yy = linspace(-2,2,50);
11 [X,Y] = meshgrid(xx,yy);
12
13 %*** approximate function values
14 Z = griddata(x,y,z,X,Y);
15
16 %*** plot approximated function
17 surf(X,Y,Z)
18 hold on
19
20 %*** plot random points
21 plot3(x,y,-.5*ones(size(x)),'k.')
22 hold off
```

- ▶ If data points  $(x, y)$  are not on a tensor grid
  - build tensor grid by **meshgrid**
  - approximate function values on tensor grid from known values



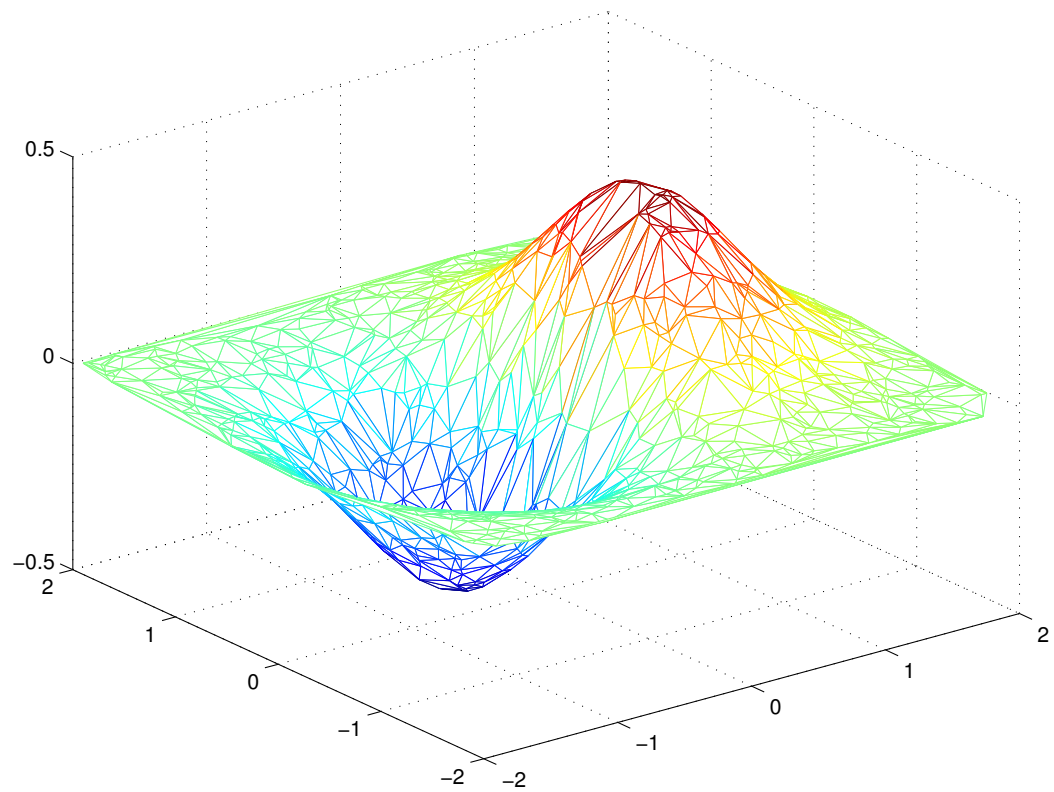


## Triangular grids

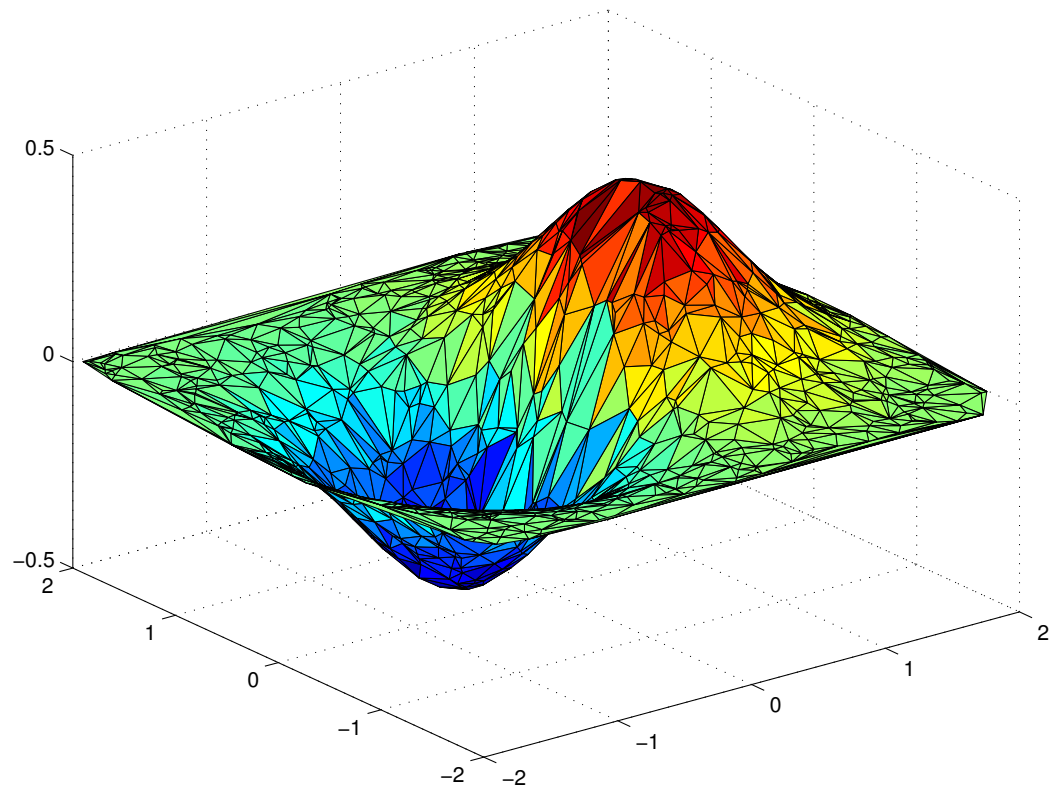
```
1  f = @(x,y) x.*exp(-x.^2-y.^2);
2
3  %*** compute known values of function
4  x = 4*rand(1,1000)-2; % random numbers in [-2,2]
5  y = 4*rand(1,1000)-2; % random numbers in [-2,2]
6  z = f(x,y);
7
8  %*** build triangulation
9  tri = delaunay(x,y);
10
11 %*** plot approximated function
12 figure(1)
13 trimesh(tri,x,y,z);
14
15 figure(2)
16 trisurf(tri,x,y,z);
17
18 %*** show triangulation
19 figure(3)
20 trimesh(tri,x,y,zeros(size(x)), 'EdgeColor', 'k')
21 view(2)
```

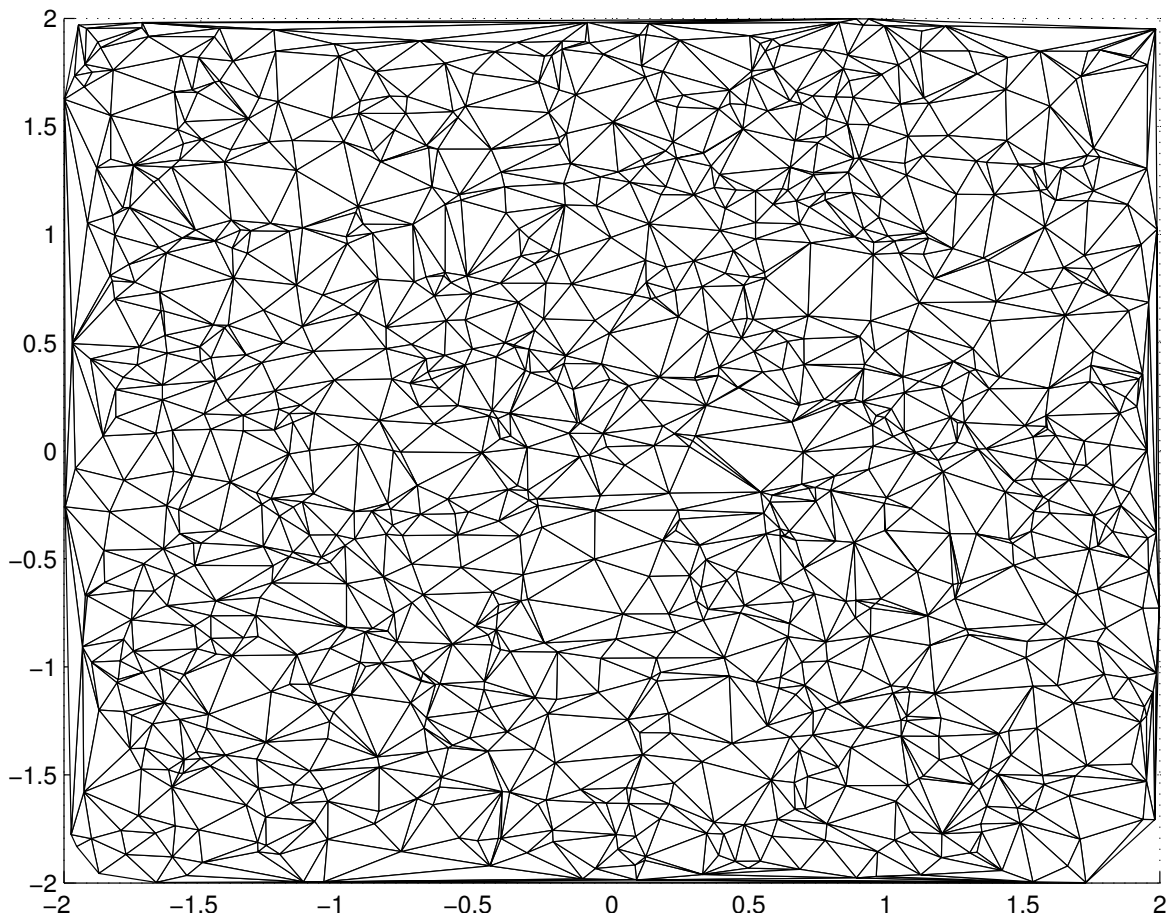
- ▶ Creates a so-called Delaunay triangulation of points into triangles
  - nodes of triangles = given points
  - nodes of each triangle determine a unique circle
    - and this circle does not contain further points
- ▶ This ensures that the angles of the triangles are as large as possible, which is numerically favorable

► `figure(1)` → `trimesh`



► `figure(2)` → `trisurf`





## Some further commands

- ▶ Plots in polar coordinates : `polar`
- ▶ Bar charts : `hist`, `bar`, `barh`
- ▶ Pie charts : `pie`, `pie3`
- ▶ Fill area/volume with color : `fill`, `fill3`
- ▶ Vector fields : `compass`, `quiver`, `quiver3`
- ▶ Animations: `VideoWriter`