# A0B17MTB – Matlab Introduction





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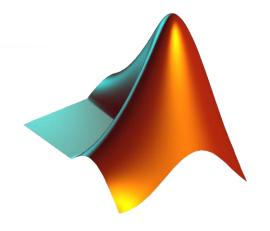
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#### You will learn ...



What is MATLAB?

Why to learn MATLAB?

**Details of the A0B17MTB course** 

**Recommended literature, further resources** 

First steps in MATLAB



#### What is MATLAB?







#### MATLAB is...

- high-level programming language (4th gener. language)
- interpreted language (not compiled, but... JIT)
  - intended mainly for numerical computing (nevertheless includes MuPAD symbolic kernel)
- philosophy:  $kernel + tool boxes + user-defined functions <math>\rightarrow wide application$ 
  - wide possibilities of linking with other tools (Java, C++, Fortran, Python, .NET, Excel, physical-/multi-physical softwares)
- speed (of well written) algorithm comes near to that of C++
- excellent for "fast prototyping"
  - Matlab does not require variables declaration (not always the advantage)
- multi-license for CTU
  - Available for students as well!
  - download.cvut.cz + main access password
  - fel.cvut.cz → computer network → Multi-license software at CTU



# Why to learn MATLAB?

- Matlab is a <u>worldwide standard</u>
- used by more than 5000+ universities worldwide
- licenses used by <u>thousands of corporations</u> in aviation, biotechnology, electronics, cybernetics, mechanical engineering, finance, ...
- knowledge of Matlab can be used in other courses at the University as well as in professional life



#### Where to make use of Matlab?

- data processing and visualization during laboratory exercises
- when elaborating diploma works
- seminar exercises (signals, algorithm development, ...)
- theory verification (mathematics and physics classes, electromagnetic field, electronic circuits, ...)
- studying abroad (Erasmus, Sokrates)

⇒ "everywhere" :)



# **Historical development of MATLAB**

- 70's
  - Cleve Moler, Matlab used instead of Fortran
  - MATrix LABoratory  $\rightarrow$  matrix is the basic data structure
  - Fortran-based syntax
- 1983
  - Jack Little rewriting Matlab in C
  - new functionality and new mathematical libraries added
- 1984 (Matlab is so far for free!)
  - MathWorks founded in 1984
  - http://www.mathworks.com/
- 2004
  - Matlab used by more than 1 million of active users
- now...
  - ... R2015b is the newest version of Matlab
  - local distribution: Humusoft



#### **Alternatives to MATLAB**

- Fortran most of the libraries still in Fortran, used mostly by physisists
- Python for free, fast and intuitive; Spyder provides MATLAB-like features
- Mathematica symbolic and numerical calculations, excellent symbolic kernel, extensive applicability, mostly for mathematicians and physicists
- Maple symbolic and numerical calculations
- MathCad –used for symbolic and numerical calculations, slightly out-ofdate
- Octave for free, syntax and functionality similar to Matlab, not so extensive, smartphone executable
- $\bullet$  R for free, designed particularly for statistical applications
- Scilab Matlab-like, open documentation
- Derive small, fast, Casio calculator executable



#### **Alternatives to MATLAB**

- Matlab vs. C/C++
  - optimal language strongly depends on the application
  - C/C++ faster in general, Matlab, on the other hand, provides implicit parallelism
  - general principle: Matlab more than suitable for everything except commercial compiled code (especially Matlab 6.5 and above: JIT + Real-Time Type Analysis)
- Matlab vs. Fortran
  - Matlab has wider support, more intuitive syntax
  - speed of a well written code is (usually, at least) comparable
  - utilization of Fortran is on the decline
- Matlab vs. Python
  - Matlab offers significant support thanks to MathWorks, Matlab File Exchange
  - Python entirely for free, it's becoming more and more popular



#### A0B17MTB

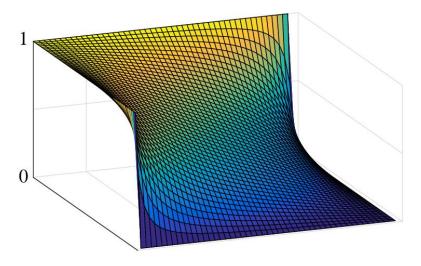
- 13 weeks (14<sup>th</sup> week is a 'reserve')
  - 10 blocks with new theory, 1 block of bonuses, 1 block of examples
- conditions of credit award:
  - to hand in a project (<u>next-to-last week of the semester</u>, 60 points)
    - **competition assignment** (see next slide)
  - to pass a test, 20 points (min. 50%, next-to-last week)
    - on top of that two short tests during semester, 20 points (min. 10 points are needed)
    - 3 bonus examples during the semestr, 5 bonus points
  - max. 2 missed classes (more absences only after prior arrangement)
    - any lecture can be substituted
- could happen that not all of the stuff of the course will be presented, because of time constraint understanding the basics is a priority
  - bonus stuff (slides) available for advanced students

Data types	Code execution	Visualization	Relation and logical operators
Matrix operations	User scripts and functions	Numerical methods	Symbolic math



# **Competition assignment**

#### Jacobi method



- see <a href="https://cw.fel.cvut.cz/wiki/courses/a0b17mtb/start">https://cw.fel.cvut.cz/wiki/courses/a0b17mtb/start</a>
  - > projects > seznam\_projektu
- project can be selected by any number of students
- conditions:
  - project is completed according the assignment → credit award
  - project is the best one  $\rightarrow$  winning the competition
    - prizes for the first three winners



# **A0B17MTB – Course syllabus**

1	Introduction, information on the course, MATLAB workspace, basic arithmetic operators, basic functions
2	Complex numbers, complex matrix design, matrix operations, element-by-element operations, introduction to vectorization, matrix dimension
3	Indexing, data type and size, output format, MATLAB Editor, script design
4	Cycles, relation and logical operators, cycles vs. vectorization, control flow #1
5	Control flow #2, visualization in MATLAB #1, debugging #1
6	Set operations, sorting, searching, user-defined functions #1
7	User interface (main functions, subfunctions, nested functions, anonymous functions)
8	Struct, Strings, 'eval' and 'feval' functions, MATLAB path
9	Visualization in MATLAB #2, GUI #1
10	GUI #2
11	Date and time functions, error handling, cell, I/O, basics of symbolic computations
12	MATLAB profile, p-code, numerical accuracy, publishing MATLAB code, programming style guidelines
13	Exercises, test
14	/reserve/



#### **A0B17MTB – Deadlines**

1	call for project proposals
2	
3	bonus example (1-3 points), list of projects, discussion on own topics
4	short test (approx. 10-15 min) aimed on solving given problem in Matlab, 10 points
5	project choice
6	
7	bonus example (1-3 points)
8	short test (approx. 10-15 min) aimed on solving given problem in Matlab, 10 points
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10	bonus example (1-3 points)
11	
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13	project hand-in (next-to-last week of the semester), test
14	test evaluation, credit award



#### **Credit award**

	Points	Min. points
Bonus example #1	2	
Short test #1	10	
Bonus example #2	1	10
Short test #2	10	
Bonus example #3	2	
Test	20	10
Project	60	30

Grade	Points
А	90–100
В	80–89
С	70–79
D	60–69
E	50–59
F	0–49



#### A0B17MTB - Schedule

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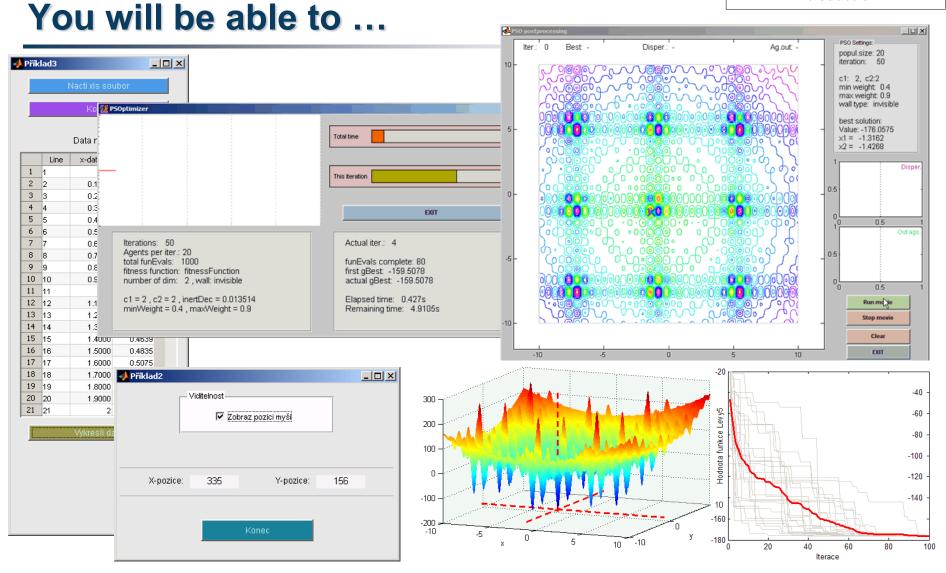
# **A0B17MTB – Principles**

• the aim of the course is to teach you something – if the presentation is to fast, be heard

• if you have an idea / proposal how to solve a problem in a more efficient way, put it forward

• can happen that the lecturer is not able to answer your question immediately, in that case the answer will be provided during the next lecture





• see <a href="http://elmag.org/cs/Matlab/projekty">http://elmag.org/cs/Matlab/projekty</a> for the previous students' projects



#### Recommended literature, resources

Matlab documentation

>> doc % opens the help browser

- Basic web-based textbooks on Matlab (so called primers)
  - www.mathworks.com/help/pdf doc/matlab/getstart.pdf
  - http://artax.karlin.mff.cuni.cz/~beda/cz/matlab/primercz/matlab-primer.html
- Attaway, S.: Matlab A Practical Introduction to Programming and Problem Solving, 3rd ed.
  - available at Department's library
- Hahn, B. H., Valentine, D. T.: Essential Matlab, 5th Ed.
  - available at Department's library
- other literature and sources will be mentioned during the semester...



# **Launching Matlab**



- command line
  - matlab

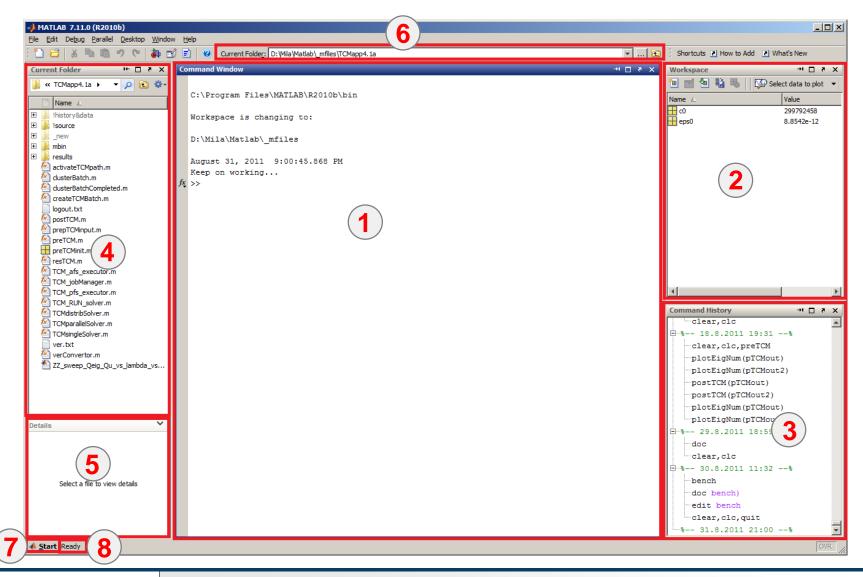


- Matlab can be launched with a set of optional parameters (see later)
  - matlab -r "test(10)"
- version dependent, up to 500MB RAM (win7) per matlab thread





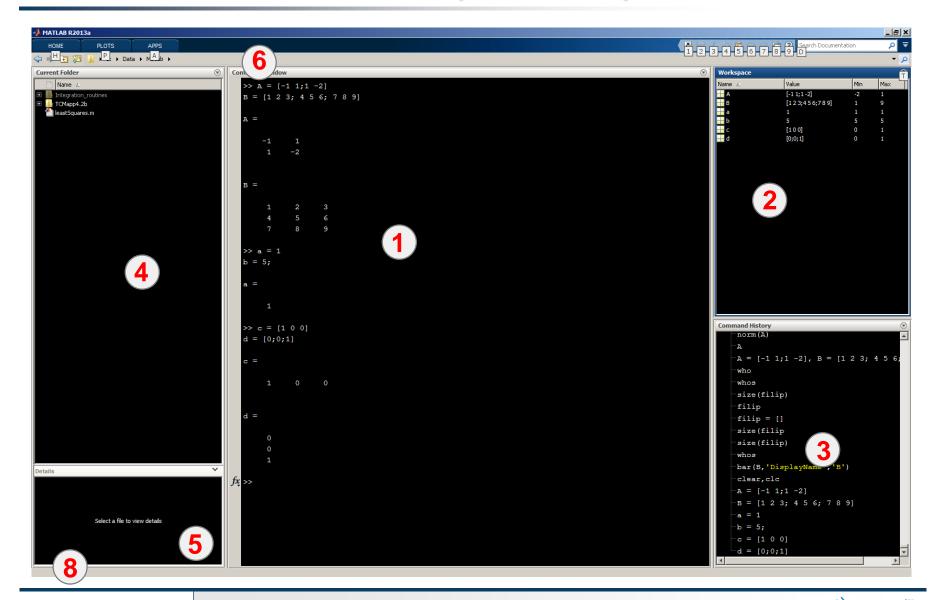
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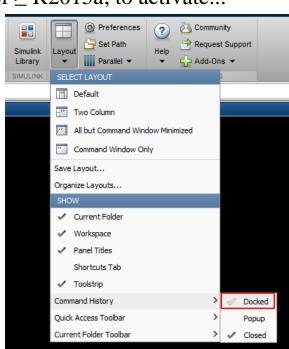
# The Matlab Environment (≥ R2011b)





# The Matlab Environment – panels

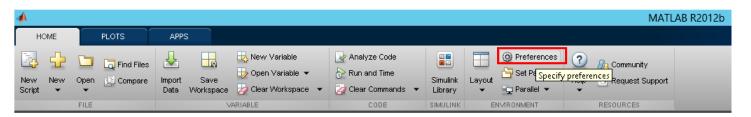
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- Workspace (CTRL+3)
- Command History (CTRL+1) not activated in case of  $\geq$  R2015a; to activate...
- 4 Current Folder (CTRL+2)
- **5** Current Folder Details
- 6 Current Folder (with history)
- 7 Start (Windows like), only for ≤ Matlab R2011b
- 8 status



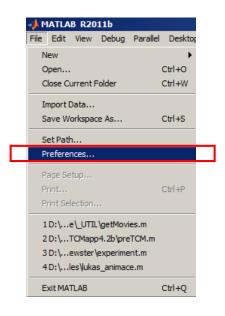




# **Environment setting – basics**

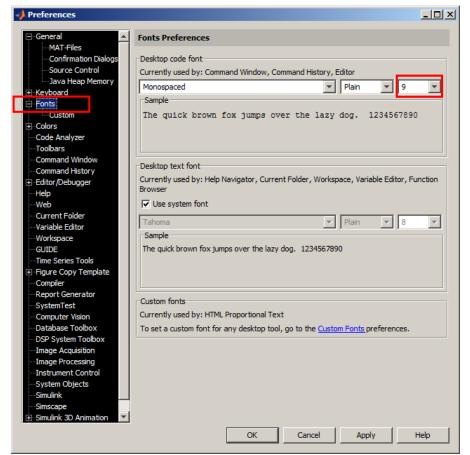


- Matlab R2012a and later
  - ribbon menu
- Matlab R2011b and older



>> preferences

Font size





#### **Matlab termination**

• always terminate Matlab in the command window

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>> quit % terminates Matlab (and all windows)
>> exit % -//-
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more advanced options (see documentation)

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>> quit cancel
>> exit force
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#### **Command line, documentation**

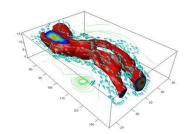
>> doc % opens documentation window

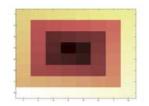
>> help % Matlab help

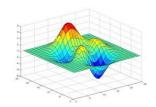
>> demo % tutorials













#### Introduction

#### The Help structure

>> help % displays basic help contents

>> help sin % displays help related to sine function

>> help sin SIN Sine

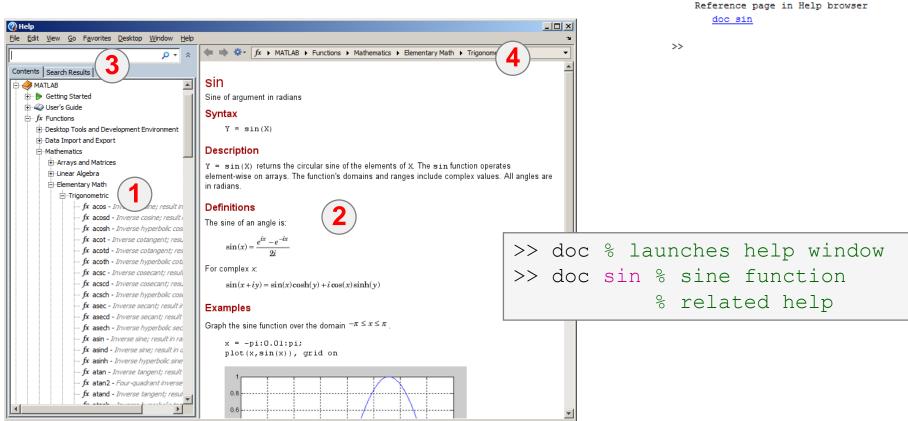
SIN Sine of argument in radians.

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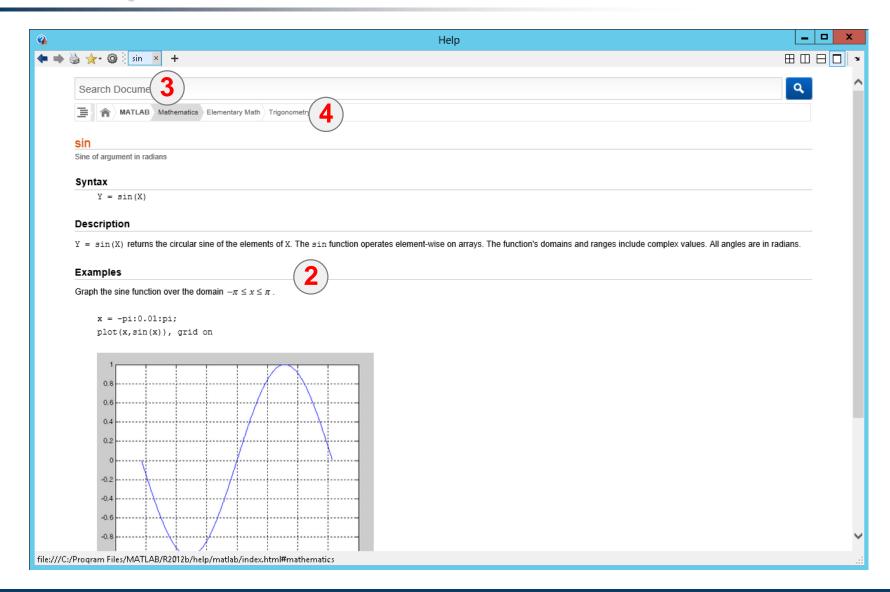
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# The Help structure, Matlab >R2011b





#### **Matlab Help**

240 s

- start and terminate Matlab
- set the Matlab environment to your taste
- try to launch the help
- find the documentation of the following functions: sin, cos, abs
- browse through individual help chapters
  - pay attention to the part *Getting Started*





#### Shortcuts Command Window

key	meaning
ENTER	sends line for processing
ESC	deletes whole line
DEL	deletes one character (right to the cursor)
BACKSPACE	deletes one character (left to the cursor)
HOME	moves cursor to the beginning of line
END	moves cursor to the end of line
CTRL + ↑	moves cursor to the beginning of next word
CTRL + ↓	moves cursor to the beginning of previous word
SHIFT + ENTER	sends cursor to the next line
CTRL + K	deletes all to the right of cursor
CTRL + C	forces interruption of Matlab (e.g. long / erroneous calculation)
CTRL + TAB	switching between windows of Matlabu Environment
↓ a ↑	command history listing (searching is available CTRL+F)
F1	context help related to the word where the cursor is placed (Command Window, Editor)
TAB	function or variable name hint

#### + usual Windows shortcuts for text processing



# **Searching the Help**

key / command	meaning
SHIFT + F1	when pressed in command line, opens searchable function library
F9	evaluation of selected part of the code in Editor
NOT, OR, AND	it is possible to use logical operators in documentation search
*	it is possible to use wildcards in documentation search
11 11	to search exact phrase in documentation

>> docsearch "plot tools"

>> docsearch plot\* tools

#### **Discussed functions**

quit, exit	terminates Matlab	•
preferences	opens Matlab preferences	
doc, help, demo	commands related to documentation and help	•
sin, cos	sample goniometric functions	
abs	absolute value	



# Thank you!



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