



# EP375 Computational Physics

## Topic 4

## MATLAB TUTORIAL

## PLOTTING



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# Content

## 1. 2D and 3D Plotting

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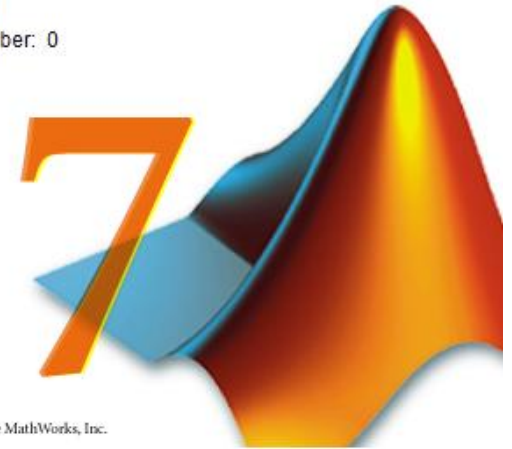
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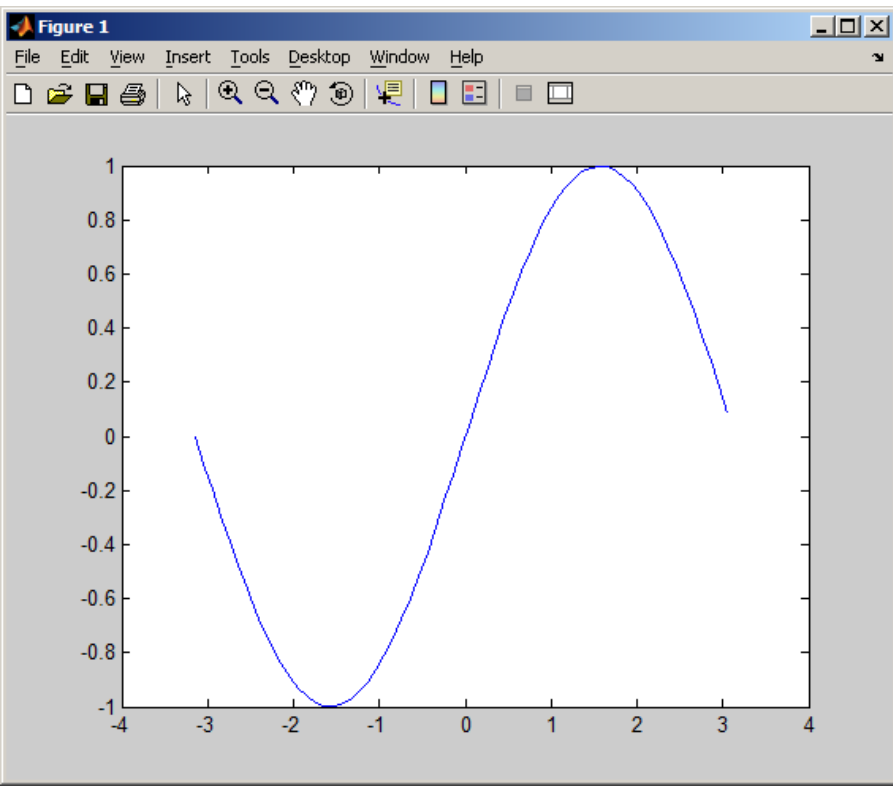
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- MATLAB has extensive plotting capabilities.
- Here we illustrate some basic commands for 2D and 3D plots.

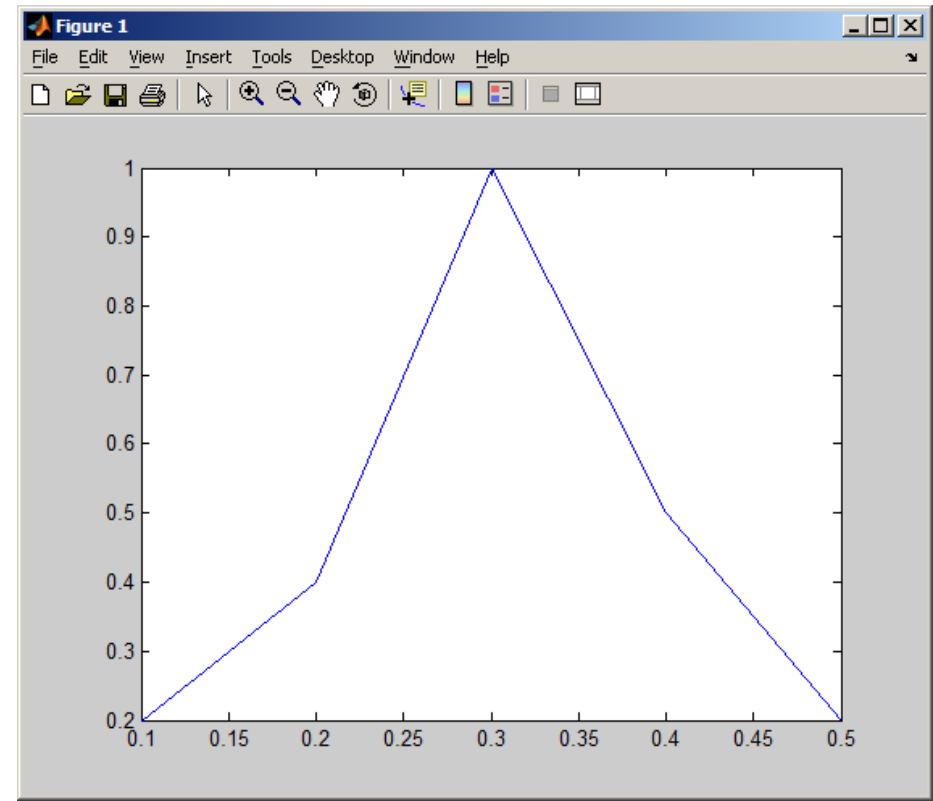
## Plotting functions: 3 categories

<u>Management</u>	<u>Generation</u>	<u>characteristics</u>
figure	<u>2-D</u>	xlabel, ylabel, zlabel
subplot	plot	text
zoom	polar	title
hold	fill	legend
view	plotyy	box
rotated	<u>3-D</u>	set
	plot3	grid
	surf, surf3	
	mesh, meshz	
	contour, contour3	

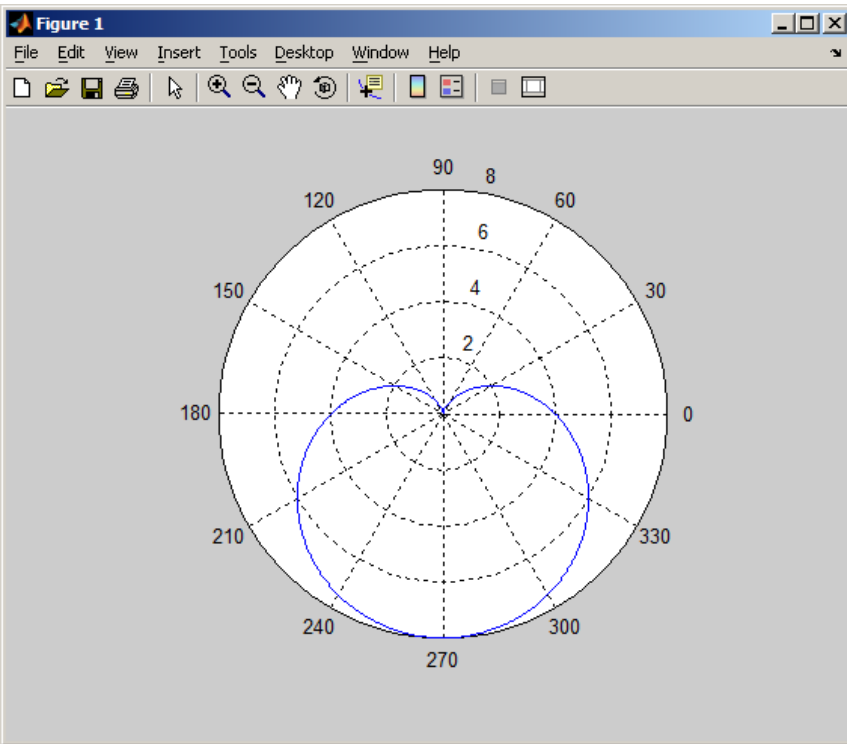
```
>> x = -pi:0.1:pi;  
>> y = sin(x);  
>> plot(x,y)  
>>
```



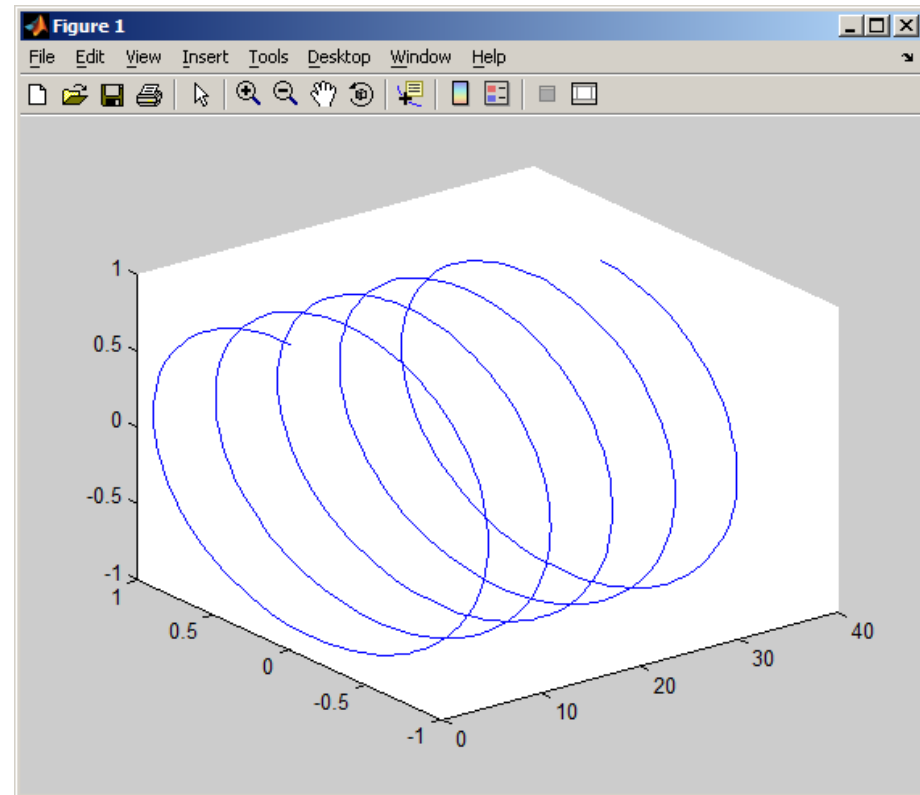
```
>> x = [0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5];  
>> y = [0.2 0.4 1.0 0.5 0.2];  
>> plot(x,y);  
>>
```



```
>> t = 0:0.01:2*pi;  
>> polar(t, 4-4*sin(t));  
>>
```



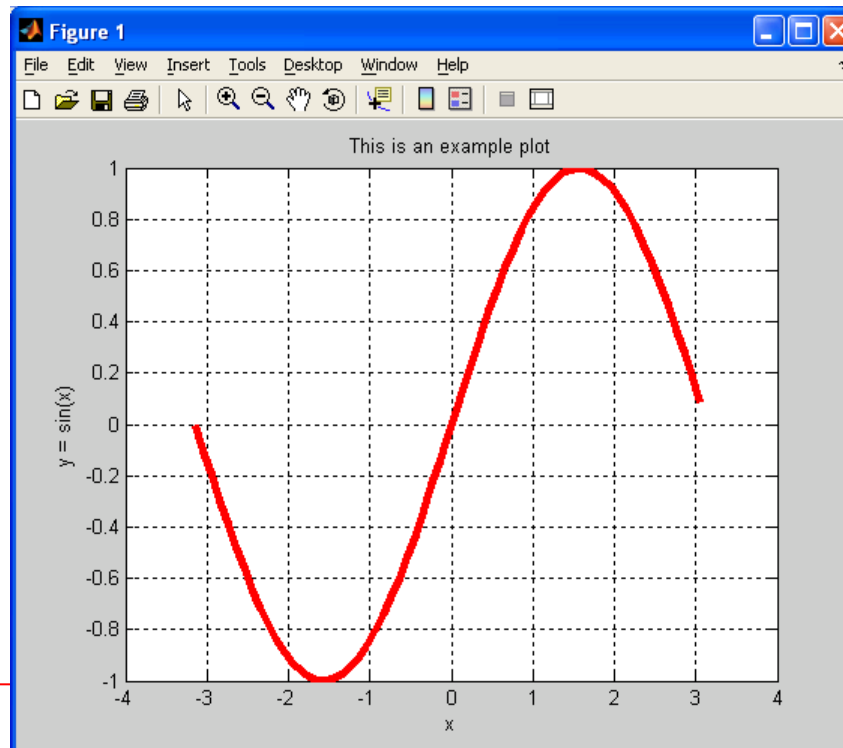
```
>> p = 0:pi/50:10*pi;  
>> plot3(p, sin(p), cos(p))  
>>
```



ciz1.m

```
x = -pi:0.1:pi;  
y = sin(x);  
p = plot(x,y);  
set(p, 'Color', 'red', 'LineWidth', 4);  
title('This is an example plot');  
xlabel('x');  
ylabel('y = sin(x)');  
grid on;
```

```
>> ciz1  
>>
```



### Color Specifiers

Specifier	Color
r	Red
g	Green
b	Blue
c	Cyan
m	Magenta
Y	Yellow
k	Black
w	White

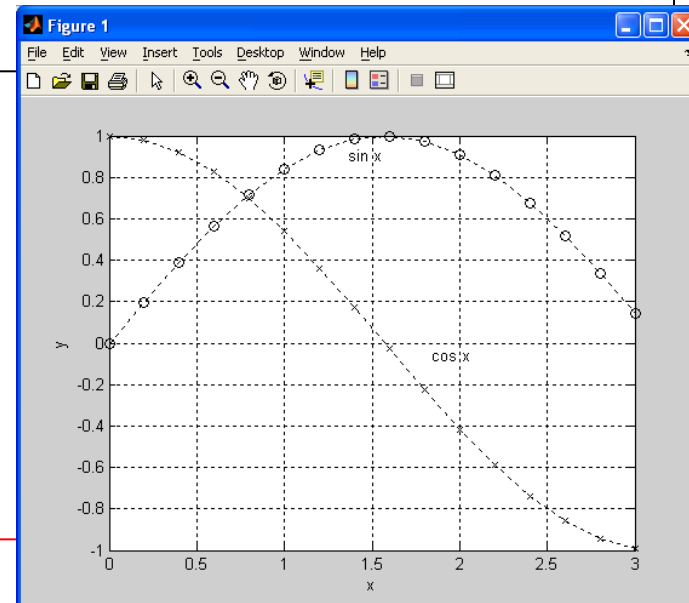
## ciz2.m

```
x = 0:0.2:pi;           % Create x-array
y = sin(x);            % Create y-array
plot(x,y, 'k:o');      % Plot x-y points with specified color
                        % and symbol ('k' = black, 'o' = circles)

hold on;               % Allow overwriting of current plot
z = cos(x);           % Create z-array
plot(x,z, 'b:x');     % Plot x-z points ('x' = crosses)
grid on;              % Display coordinate grid
xlabel('x');           % Display label for x-axis
ylabel('y');           % Display label for y-axis
gtext('sin x');       % Create mouse-movable text
gtext('cos x');       %
```

```
>> ciz2
```

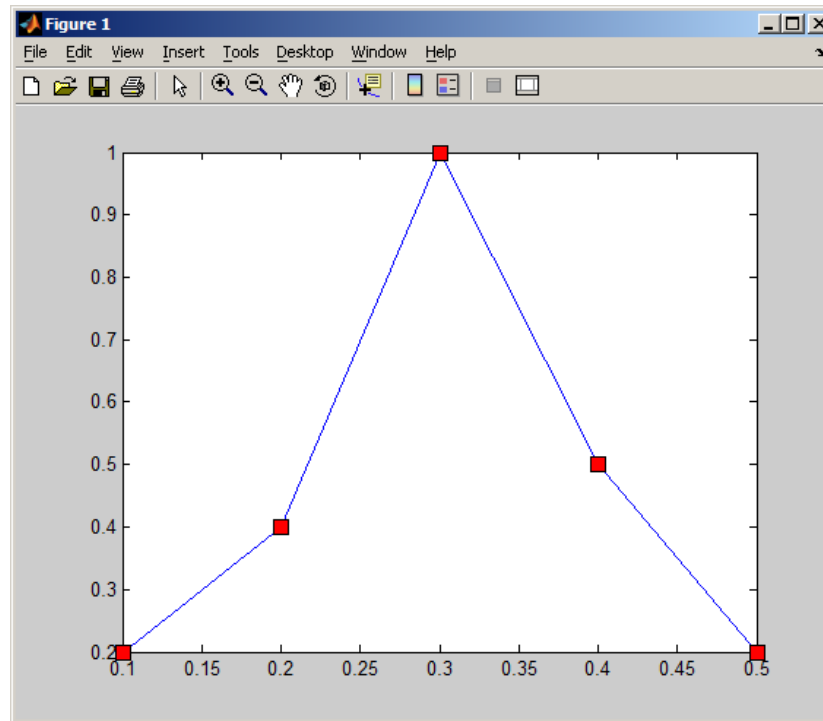
```
>>
```



## ciz3.m

```
x = [0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5];  
y = [0.2 0.4 1.0 0.5 0.2];  
plot(x,y,'-s', 'MarkerFaceColor','r',...  
      'MarkerEdgeColor','k',...  
      'MarkerSize',10);
```

```
>> ciz3  
>>
```



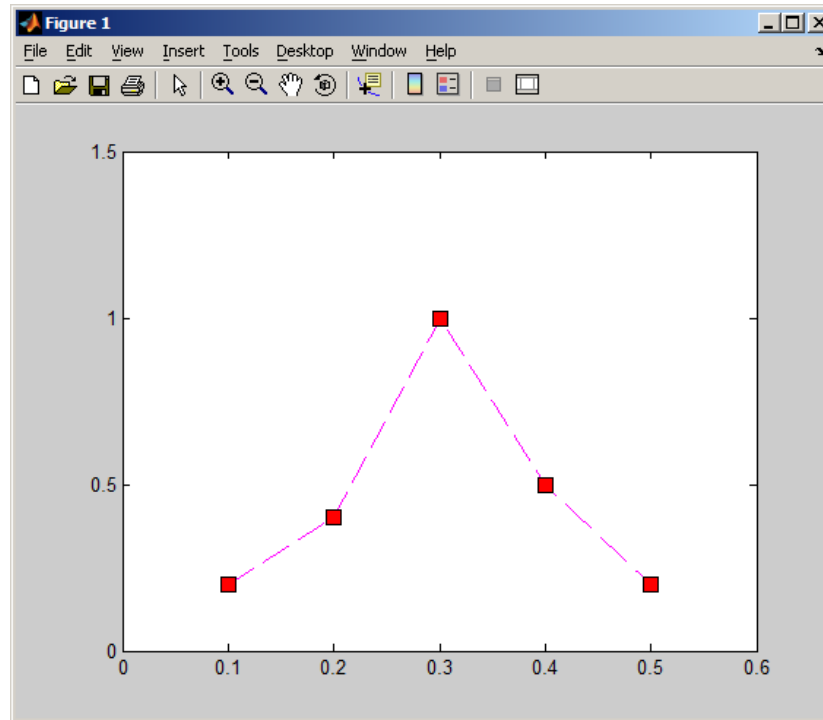
Symbol	Line Style
-	Solid line (default)
--	Dashed line
:	Dotted line
-.	Dash-dot line
none	No line



ciz4.m

```
x = [0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5];  
y = [0.2 0.4 1.0 0.5 0.2];  
plot(x,y,'--ms', 'MarkerFaceColor','r',...  
      'MarkerEdgeColor','k',...  
      'MarkerSize',10);  
axis([0 0.6 0 1.5]);
```

```
>> ciz4  
>>
```



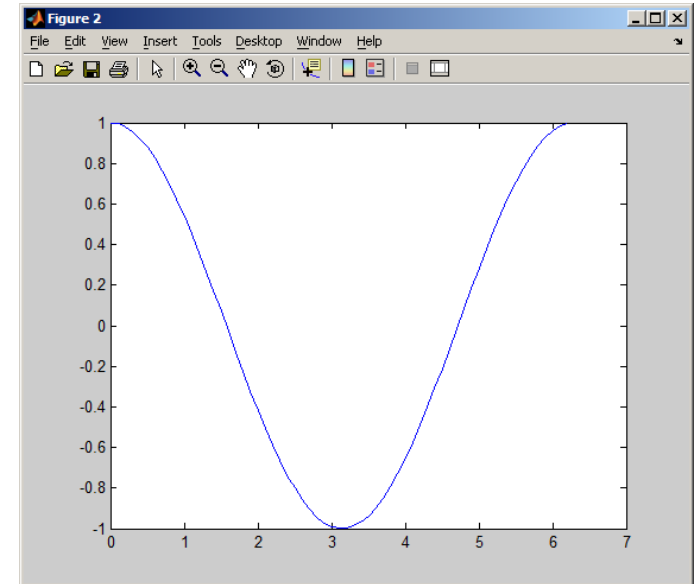
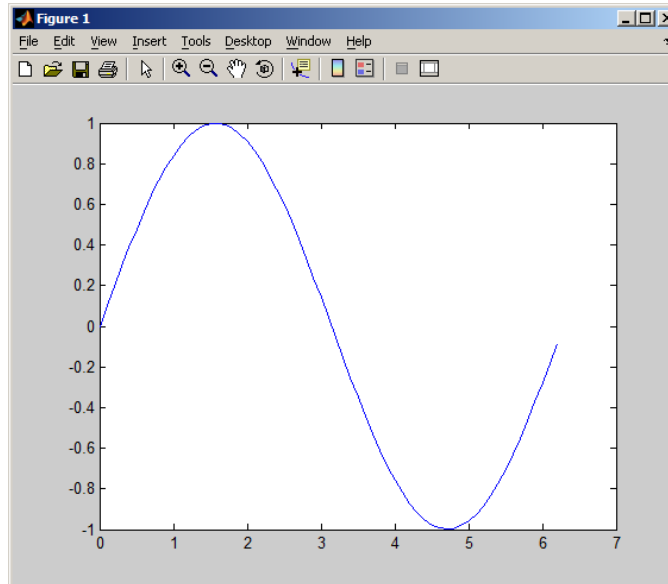
ciz5.m

```
x = 0.0:0.1:2*pi;  
y = sin(x);  
z = cos(x);
```

```
figure(1);  
plot(x,y);
```

```
figure(2);  
plot(x,z);
```

```
>> ciz5  
>>
```



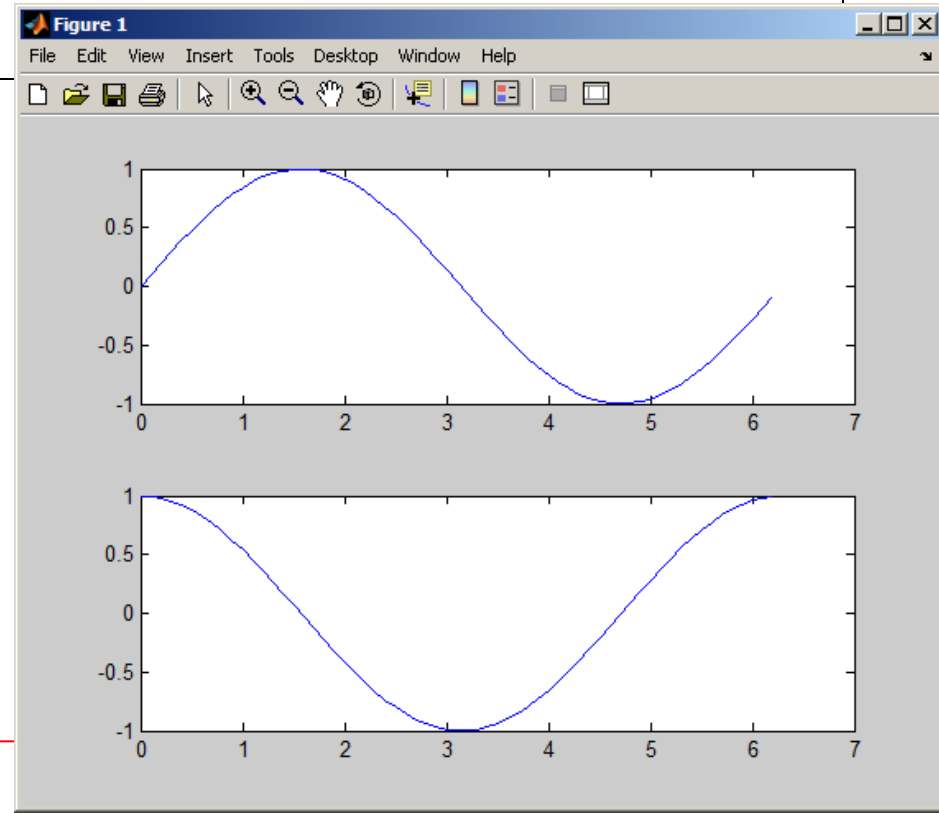
ciz6.m

```
x = 0.0:0.1:2*pi;  
y = sin(x);  
z = cos(x);
```

```
subplot(2,1,1);  
plot(x,y);
```

```
subplot(2,1,2);  
plot(x,z);
```

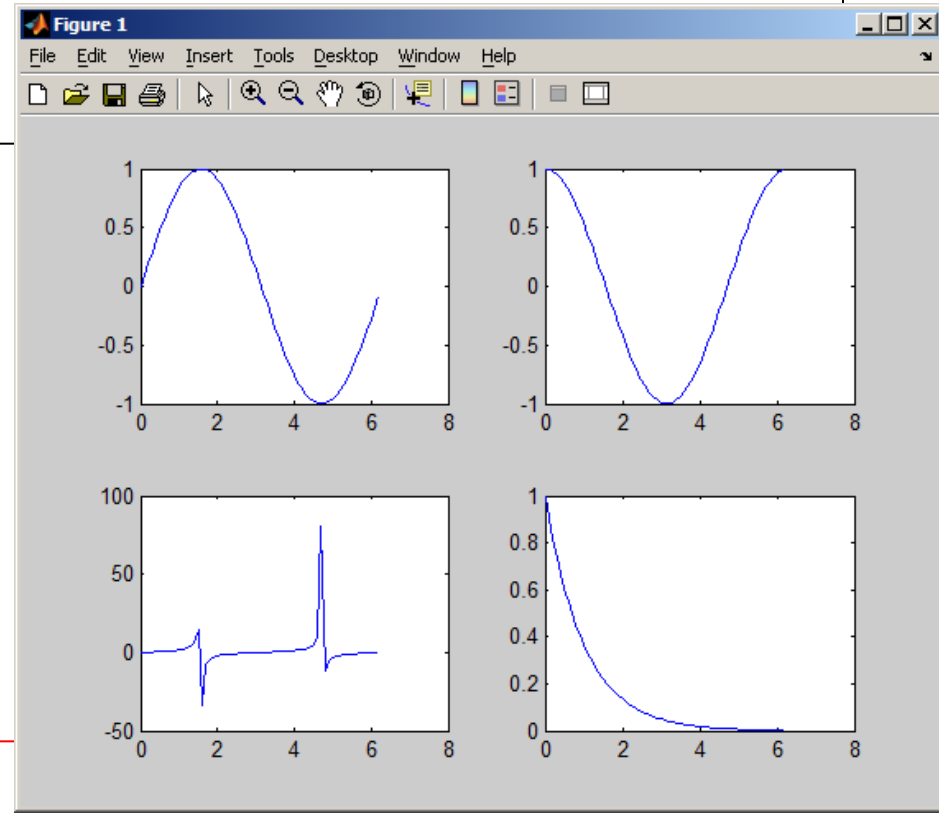
```
>> ciz6  
>>
```



ciz7.m

```
x = 0.0:0.1:2*pi;  
y = sin(x);  
z = cos(x);  
w = tan(x);  
q = exp(-x);  
  
subplot(2,2,1); plot(x,y);  
subplot(2,2,2); plot(x,z);  
subplot(2,2,3); plot(x,w);  
subplot(2,2,4); plot(x,q);
```

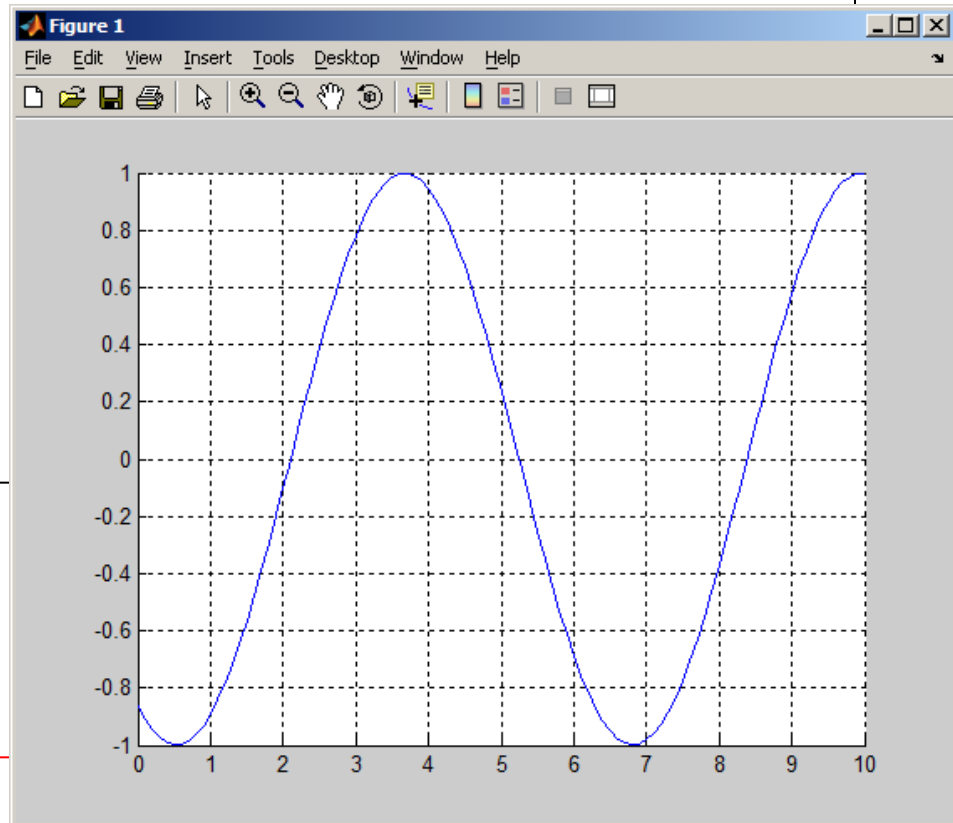
```
>> ciz7  
>>
```



ciz8.m

```
% Dynamic Plot  
figure;  
hold on;  
grid on;  
v = 10.0;  
x = 0.0:0.1:10;  
t = 0.0;  
  
while 1  
    y = sin(x-v*t);  
    h = plot(x,y);  
    pause(0.1);  
    delete(h);  
    t = t + 0.01;  
end
```

```
>> ciz8  
>>
```



## ciz9.m

```
% 3D Plots
clc; clear; close all; grid on;
% defines vectors x and y
vx = -4 :0.2: 4;
vy = -3 :0.2: 3;
% calculates the necessary grid
[x,y] = meshgrid(vx, vy);
% calculates z and avoids a null denominator adding 'eps'
z = x.*x + y.*y;

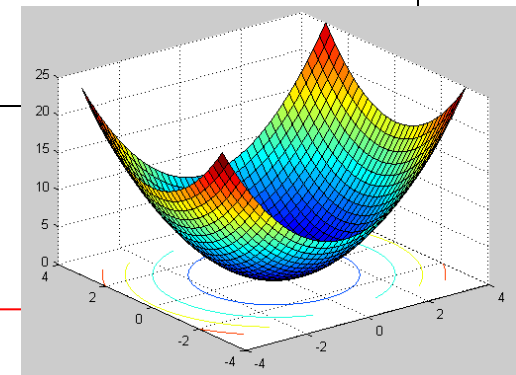
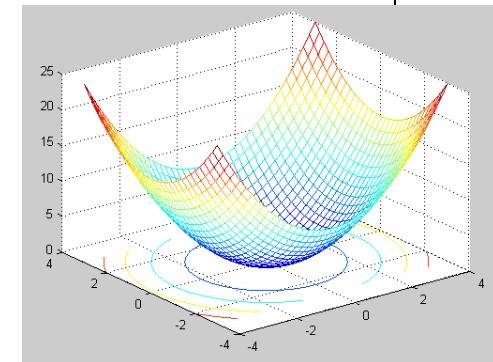
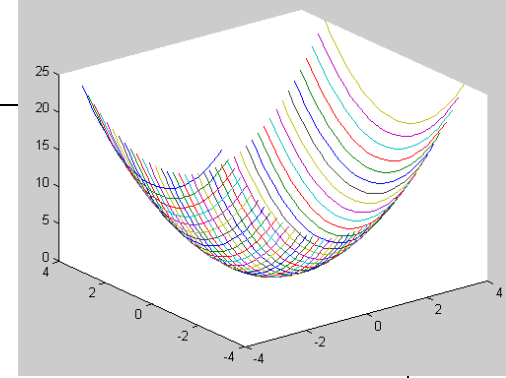
% generates the first figure using 'plot3'
figure
plot3(x,y,z)

% generates the second figure using 'meshc' to include the
% contour in the figure, and rotates the figure with 'view'
figure
meshc(x,y,z)

% generates the third 3D figure using 'surfc' to include the
% contour in the image, and also rotates the figure with 'view'
figure
surfc(x,y,z)
```

```
>> ciz9
```

```
>>
```



# Line and Rectangle

## \* line function

```
>> axis([0 10 0 10])
>> x = [1 2];
>> y = [5 8];
>> line(x,y);
>> line(x,y,'Color','r')
```

## \* rectangle function

```
>> axis([-3 3 -3 3])
>> rectangle('Position',[-1,-1,1,2])
>> rectangle('Position',[0,0,1,2], ...
            'Curvature',[0.8 0.5], ...
            'FaceColor','r')
```

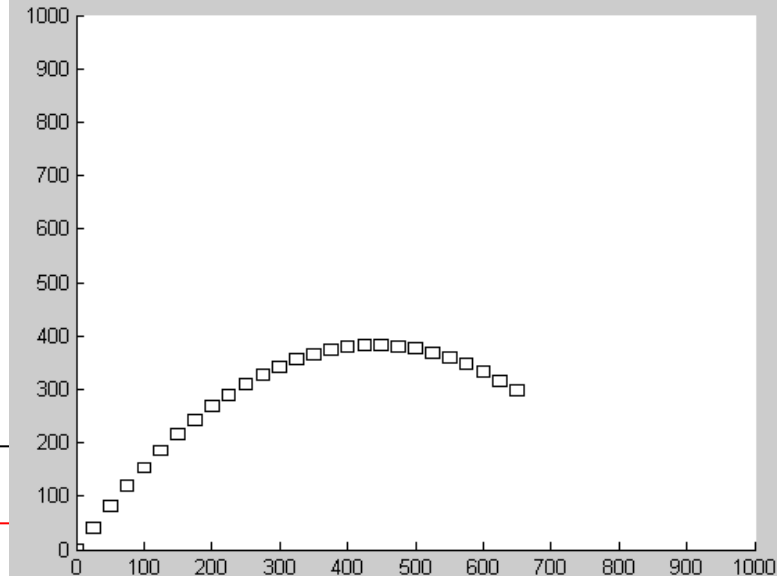
# Basic Animation

ciz10.m

```
% Projectile Motion
hold on;
v0 = 100.0;           % initial velocity (m/s)
theta = 60 * pi/180; % initial angle
g = 9.8;              % gravitational acceleration
t = 0.0;              % time
w = 20;               % width of the object
axis([0 1000 0 1000]); %

while t<=18
    x = v0*cos(theta)*t;
    y = v0*sin(theta)*t-0.5*g*t*t;
    r = rectangle('Position', ...
                  [x-w/2,y-w/2,w,w]);

    t = t + 0.5;
    pause(0.5);
    delete(r);
end
```





## Exercise 1:

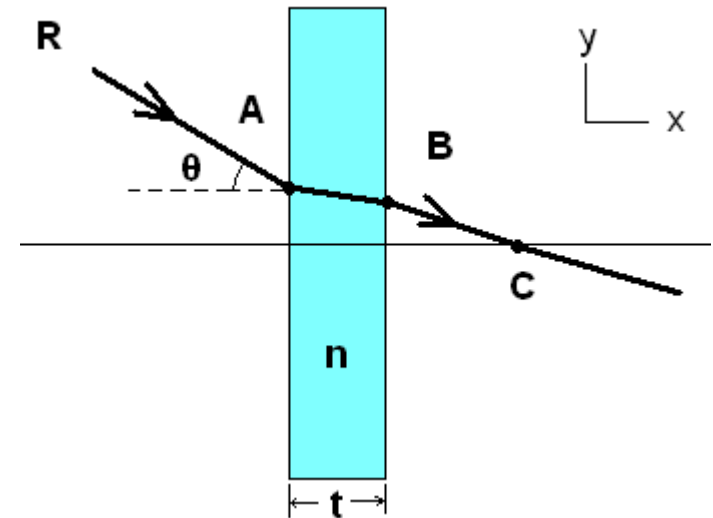
A light ray hits a glass slab, (whose index of refraction is  $n$  and thickness is  $t$ ) at point  $A(x_1, y_1)$  with an angle  $\theta$ . The ray leaves the glass at point  $B(x_2, y_2)$ . Then the ray

crosses the point the principle axis at  $C(x_3, 0)$  as shown.

Write a program to simulate and plot this events in MATLAB.

Inputs:  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $\theta$ ,  $n$ ,  $t$

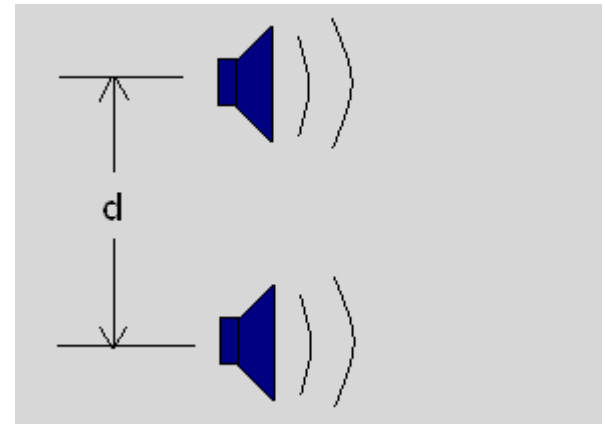
Outputs:  $(x_2, y_2)$ ,  $(x_3, 0)$



## Exercise 2:

Two loudspeakers are placed as shown.  
(Let  $d = 1$  m).

For the given frequency of sound,  
write a MATLAB program to show  
2D distribution of interference pattern.



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