Systems Neuroscience Matlab, indexing and summarizing

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New data set: object and noise perception

View objects and noise Task: press button if pic(t) == pic(t-1) Variables: accuracy, reaction time, object or non-object

Questions:

- What picture was shown?
- What button was pressed?
- How quickly was button pressed?

Results recorded in: ExptRecord

ExptRecord columns

- ExptRecord (:, 3) 0 is noise, 1 is object
- ExptRecord(:,10) 1 should press button, -1 should not press button
- ExptRecord(:,11) 1 subject presses button, 0 subject not press

• ExptRecord (:, 12) - 0-1000ms, number of ms until button press

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figure;plot(ExptRecord(:,3));
axis([0, 200, -.5, 1.5]);
figure;plot(sort(ExptRecord(:,12))
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Exploring your data

- size data dimensions
- plot display data contents in figure
- max maximum value in vector
- min minimum value in vector
- mean mean (average) value in vector
- sort order vector from low to high values
- hist count frequency of values in vector

• MatVariable(:) - convert AxB matrix into single vector

Finding desired values

find(vector<number) find(c<2)
Return indices in vector that are less than number
Example: vector=[5, -1, 0, 12];
 smallLocations=find(vector<2);</pre>

smallLocations contains [2 3]

equality

Comparisons

- d<2, d>2 strict inequality
- d<=2 , d>=2 semi-inequality
- d==2

vector=[5, -1, 0, 12]; Combining searches Logic combinations • d>5 & d<8 the AND operation - all conditions must be true • d<5 | d>8 the OR operation - one or more conditions true Example: find(vector<2 & vector>-2) Can combine results from multiple matrices: vecB=[12 3 8 0]; find(vector<2 | vecB>4)

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Looking at data subsets
• Look at average Reaction Times for all button presses
buttonPress = find(ExptRecord(:,11)==1);
mean(ExptRec(buttonPress,12))
• Look at average Reaction Time for button press for objects vs noise
buttonPressNOISE = find(ExptRecord(:,3)==0 & ExptRecord(:,11)==1);
mean(ExptRec(buttonPressNOISE,12))
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Equivalent code, broken into more lines: pressVector=ExptRecord(:,11); noiseVector=ExptRecord(:,3); buttonPressNOISE = find(noiseVector==0 & pressVector==1); mean(ExptRec(buttonPressNOISE,12))

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objI=find(ExptRecord(:,3)==1);
noiseI=find(ExptRecord(:,3)==0);
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length(find(ExptRecord(objI,10)==ExptRecord(objI,11)))

length(find(ExptRecord(noiseI,10)==ExptRecord(noiseI,11)))

...turns out they are equal