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- Introduction, architecture
- Data types
- Basic arithmetic operations and functions
- Random number generation
- Plotting
- Work with external data files
- Programming fundamentals
- "Hello, World!"



- Cleve Moler (University of New Mexiko) started developing in the late '70s
 - Recent versions: new release in every half year (R201x[a|b])
- Goal: to perform numerical calculations, mostly in engineering and research applications
 - Besides being a tool, MatLab is also a programming language and a software platform
 - Some application requires symbolic calculations (for those use Mathematica for example)



- Platform
 - Built-in functions
 - Toolboxes (e.g. neural networks, image and sound processing, financial, bioinformatics, ...)
 - Both command line and GUI interfaces
 - Custom modules (programming language)
 - Data handling framework
 - File I/O
 - Database connections
- Advantages
 - Rapid prototype developing
 - No need to hassle with low level issues
 - Fast computation, optimized to the latest hardwares (e.g. GPGPU support)



- Dynamic typing
 - No need to declare types
 - Type is assigned based on the right hand operand
- MATrix LABoratory
 - Numerical data are represented as complex matrices
 - Scalar values (1x1), vectors (1xN)
- Structs
 - {'field1', value1, 'field2', value2, ...}
- Object oriented types
 - Strong connection with Java language
- Other types: e.g. strings, database connections

Basic operations (syntax)

Defining constant values

A = [a11 a12; a21 a22]; (row-wise)
row_vector = [v1 v2];
column vector = [v1; v2];

Calling functions

result = myfunc(0);
[a, b, c] = myfunc(0);
(optional number of return values)

Indexing

$$v2 = v(2); a12 = a(1, 2);$$

– Starts from 1



Initializing matrices (faster than the dynamic case)

$$-$$
 A = zeros(n, [m]);

$$- A = ones(n, [m]);$$

- A = eye(n, [m]);
- N = length(v); [N, M] = size(A);
- +, -, *, /, ^ operators
 - No C stlye operators are provided like += or ++
 - A/B = AB⁻¹
 - $A \setminus B = A^{-1}B$ (solves Ax = b linear equation system)
- Logical expressions

 $<, <=, ==, \sim=$ (not != or <>), >=, >, \sim , &, |



Transpose a matrix

a = a.';

- a = a'; (transpose & complex conjugate)
- Element-wise operations (dot)

c = a ./ b; % c(i) = a(i)/b(i);

- Series: v = 0:2:200;
- Select submatrices

$$-$$
 a = a(1:2, 1:2);

- row1 = a(1, :);
- column1 = a(:, 1);
- Append: $v = [1 \ 2]; v = [v \ 3];$



- Comments
 - a = 1; % one line comment
 - Multi-line comments: between % { and % } (separate line)
- Semicolon at the end of the command
 - If presented: perform the operation
 - If not presented: perform the operation and output the result to the console
- sin(), cos(), abs(), sqrt(), exp(), floor(), ceil(), log(), eig()
- min(), max(), mean(), sum(), prod(), std()

Handling complex values (*)

Algebraic representation: z = a + b*i;

- a = real(z);

- b = imag(z);

Trigonometric representation: z = r * exp(fi*i);

- r = abs(z);

- fi = angle(z);



- Coefficient vectors e.g. $4x^4 + 3x^3 - x^2 + 1 \rightarrow 1 = [4 \ 3 \ -1 \ 0 \ 1];$
- Roots

- r = roots(1);

- Characteristic polynom
 - l = poly(r); (normalized, first coeff. will be unit)

Random number generation

- Uniformly distributed pseudorandom numbers in the open interval (0,1)
 - rand(n, [m])
 - How to use it on an arbitrary interval?
- Normally distributed numbers (standard normal)
 - randn(n, [m])
 - How to use it with an arbitrary mean and std. deviation?
- Other distributions
 - random(name, param1, [param2], n, [m])
 - 'Binomial', n, p
 - 'Exponential', mean
 - 'Geomteric', p
 - 'Poisson', lambda
 - 'Normal', mean, stddev
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- New plot window: figure(n);
- plot(x, y, [x2, y2, ...], [params]);
 - $\quad x \to D, \, y \to R$
 - Interpolation (default)
 - Only dots: plot(x, y, '*');
 - Multiple curves in one plot: hold on; plot(...); hold off;
- bar(x); hist(x);
- Adding features
 - **Grid**:grid;
 - Titles: title('abc'); xlabel('x'); ylabel('y');
 legend('a', 'b', 'c');
 - Until opening a new window
 - Graphical editor
- File format: .fig (remains editable, stores the numerical data)
 - Also exportable to static image files of various formats

Work with data files

- Binary format for storing variables: .mat
 - Global variables can be saved from / loaded to workspace
 - From command line
 save('data.mat', 'a1', 'a2');
 load 'data.mat';
 - Remove all variables: clear;
 (scripts should start with this to avoid "interference")
- Loading data from .csv or .xls format
 - Manually in the variable editor (CTRL-C/V)
 - Import wizard
 - Programatically (repeatable) textscan(), textread(), xlsread(), xlswrite(), ...



- Console
 - help command
 - helpdesk
- On-line
 - Detailed toolbox documentation, function reference and forums on mathworks.com



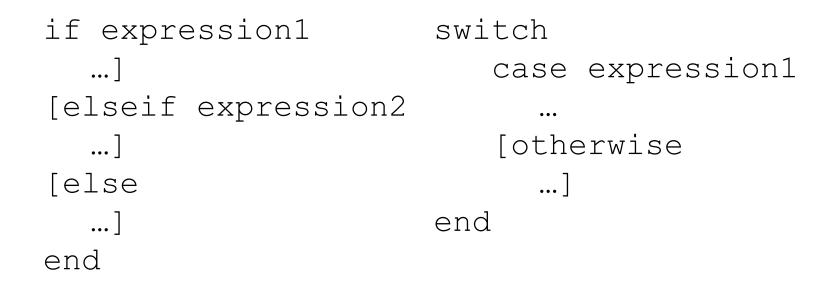
- Scripts
 - Series of commands
 - .m extension
 - Executed by its filename (without extension)
 - All variables will be global (workspace)
 - Must be in the current folder
- Functions
 - .m extension (must have the same name)
 - Invoked by its name with providing the input variables
 - All variables (including the input variables) will be local
 - Must be in the current folder
- Best practice: in order to provide maximal maintainability and reusability put every functionality into separate functions and use a script as a "main" function

Function declaration

function [r1 r2 r3] = myfunction(a, b, c)
...
end

(multiple and named return values \rightarrow no return statement needed, simply assign values to them)

Conditionals





<u>Loops</u>

Count-controlled loop Condition-controlled loop v = 1:10; while expression for i = v ... end end (no do-while loop)

Terminate the loop: break; Continue with the next cycle: continue;



- Handling strings
- Object oriented programming
- Using Java packages
- Creating GUI
- Using SQL databases





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Risk Analysis



- Task #1
 - Create a new script (lab1a.m)
 - Generate M binary vectors using the random generator,
 containing N independently drawn element with pi probability of being 1
 - Display the vectors together with their probability
 Make a helper function: function p = prob(y, pi)

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Hint: fprintf('format', v1, ...)
(\rightarrow %d %f \n \t)
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- Run from console (> lab1;), check global variables
- Task #2 (lab1b.m)
 - Generate all possible binary vectors with N element (try to solve it if we need to store them, and if we don't)
 - Display them similarily



MatLab function reference

http://www.mathworks.com/help/techdoc/ref/f16-6011.html

MatLab Central (forums, file exchange)

http://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral





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