

Start MATLAB

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MATLAB Release 13 → MATLAB 6.5

Prompt “>>” will appear in the command window

Today:

- MATLAB overview
- In-class HW: Chapter 1, Problems 3-4
- Continue MATLAB introduction
 1. Initializing variables
 2. Math Functions
 3. Transposing
 4. Built in functions
 5. Special Matrices

HW due next week (Wed/Th)

- Read Chapters 1 - 2
- Chapter 2, Problems 2, 3, 5

MATLAB = MATrix LABoratory

- by *The Math Works, Inc.*
 - Powerful mathematical computational tool
 - Developed to work with matrices
 - Many engineers & scientists use this tool
 - Use interactively
- or
- Create a MATLAB program script (m-file)

Try a simple program

% Try this. Type each line exactly as it appears & hit enter key.

sqrt (16)

sqrt (144)

ans/2

% Now try this

x=1

x=x+1

% Program to compute average temperature and plot data

time=[0,1,2,3,4,5,6];

temp=[0,1,4,9,16,25,36];

avgtemp=mean(temp)

% You should have gotten 13 for avgtemp

% Now try the graph

plot (time,temp), title('Results'), xlabel('Time, minutes'),...

ylabel ('Temperature, degrees F'), grid

% close graphing window when done

MATLAB notes - 1

- `>>` is the MATLAB command window prompt
- `%` starting a line is a comment
- There are built in functions like: `sqrt` and `mean`
- When you do a calculation, result is stored in `ans`
- `x=x+1` is an assignment (not an algebraic equation)
- `;` at end of line suppresses displaying results
- `up arrow` will retrieve prior command lines

MATLAB notes - 2

- **Scalar** : single number – ex: 5.3 (1x1 matrix)
- **Vector** : row of numbers or column of numbers (1-D array)
 - ex: temp=[0,1,4,9,16,25,36] - 1 row 7 columns (1x7)
- **Matrix** : rows and columns (2-D array)
 - ex: Array1 = [-1, 0, 6.2, 5
4, 0, 10, 14
-7, 8, -18, 0]

Array1 is a 3 x 4 matrix
- A(2,3) refers to element in 2nd row, 3rd column =10
- **MATLAB INDEXING BEGINS WITH 1! (UNLIKE C++)**

In defining a matrix, use:

- Commas or spaces to separate elements
- Semi-colons or “enter key” (next line) to separate rows

Variable names

```
% clear the command window (but not the variables already defined)
clc
```

```
% try this using lower case
```

```
x=1;
```

```
y= 2;
```

```
% try this using upper case
```

```
X=5;
```

```
Y= 8;
```

```
Z=X*Y
```

```
% case matters!! Upper & lower case make it a DIFFERENT variable!
```

```
who      % shows your variables
```

```
whos    % shows your variables + sizes
```

```
% Variable names start with a letter
```

```
% OK to contain letters, numbers, and underscore.
```

```
1A=5*5   % error! – variable names must start with a letter
```

```
X=pi*2   % pi is a built-in function
```

Try creating matrices

```
% Create a 2 x 3 matrix
A=[1,2,3; 4,5,6]
% OK to use variables to define another
B=[A; 5,6,7]
% try this
C(3,2)=1
% defined element in 3rd row, 2nd column to be 1
% prior elements (not defined), set to 0
C(2,2)=5
% replaced single element

% Generate vectors using the colon operator :
D=1:8           % generates all #'s between 1 and 8
E=0 : 2 : 10    % generates between 0 and 10 in increments of 2
F=10 : -0.5 : 6 % ok to use non-integer increments & negative #'s
% end value doesn't have to be an exact multiple of the increment
G=0 : pi/2 : 10

whos           % check variables again
quit           % close MATLAB session by typing quit
```

In-class assignment

Chapter 1, Problems 3-4 (10 minutes).

Get handout if you don't have your textbook.

Initializing variables

1. **Explicit List** (we just did this)

– examples:

```
A=[1,2,3; 4,5,6]
```

```
B=[A; 7,8,9]
```

2. **Colon Operator** – (just did this; you will see this again in HW assignment) ... very powerful.

3. **User asked to input from keyboard**

4. **Read from a data file**

Now try this

X1=1

X2=2

X3=3

X4=4

X5=5

X_combined=[X1, X2, X3, X4, X5]

In-class homework

Chapter 1 – Problem #4 ... One possibility using pseudocode:

1. Add station 1 ratings then divide by 3 to get Average1
2. Add station 2 ratings then divide by 5 to get Average2
3. Add station 3 ratings then divide by 6 to get Average3
4. Add station 4 ratings then divide by 2 to get Average4
5. Average5 is equal to Station 5 rating (only 1 rating for station 5)
6. Display bar graph of 5 stations averages (Average1 thru Average5)
7. Determine maximum of the 5 averages
8. Sum the 5 averages and divide by 5 to get the mean

% try the code for problem 4

Average1=(10.6+9.8+4.5)/3

Average2=(5.6+7.2+3.4+5.8+5.9)/5

Average3=(1.3+1.5+1.8+2.1+1.2+1.1)/6

Average4=(6.5+6.2)/2

Average5=3.4

% put the averages into an array so you can use MATLAB functions

station_averages=[Average1,Average2,Average3,Average4,Average5]

bar(station_averages)

max(station_averages)

mean(station_averages)

Colon Operator

% try this

M=[1,2,3; 4,5,6; 7,8,9]

% Select Columns

C1=M(: ,1)

C2=M(:,2)

% Select a Submatrix

S1=M(2:3, 1:2)

% Make a long column

C3=M(:)

User input

% try this

```
z=input('Enter values for z in brackets:')
```

User must type values within brackets or get
an empty matrix

User could type [0, 1, -1, 2.2] and then hit
enter key

Math Functions

- * **scalar math** : for 2 scalars or for scalar and a single matrix)
- * **matrix math** : start with **element by element** (assume same size matrix)

Addition: $A+B$

Subtraction: $A-B$

Multiplication: $A.*B$

Division: $A./B$

Exponentiation: $A.^B$

Transposing

*** use single quote to turn rows into columns**

% try this

```
X=[2, 3, 5; 4, 10, 5]
```

```
X_transpose=X'
```

% try this

```
x=0:5
```

```
y=0:5:25
```

```
[x' y']
```

More MATLAB

- **Built in functions: pi, i or j**
i or j = square root of -1 (complex numbers)
- **Special Matrices**
 - **matrix of zeros**
A=zeros(3,2)
B=[1,2,3;4,5,6]
C=zeros(size(B))
 - **matrix of ones**
D=ones(3,2)
E=[1,2,3;4,5,6]
F=ones(size(E))

Homework assignment

Reading Assignment:

Chapters 1 & 2 in MATLAB book.

Homework due next Wed/Thurs (3/17-18):

Chapter 2- Problems 2, 3, & 5.