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# **MATLAB**

# Lecture Two MATLAB Basics

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## 2. MATLAB Basics

- The differences between the MATLAB Professional Version and the MATLAB Student Version are rather minor, and virtually unnoticeable to a beginner, or even a mid-level user.
- MATLAB logo, MATLAB Desktop window will launch: title bar, a menu bar, a toolbar, and five embedded windows, one of which is hidden. The largest and most important window is the Command Window in the center.
- The Command History Window, the Current Directory Browser, and the Workspace Browser.
- Command prompt (>>). If the Command Window is "Active," its title bar will be dark, and the prompt will be followed by a cursor (a blinking vertical line).





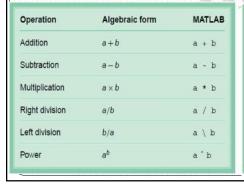
• Help Browser: While help in the Command Window is useful for getting quick information on a particular command, more extensive documentation is available via the MATLAB Help Browser. Different ways of invoke, one is following:

>>doc sin

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- You can type **demo**(or select it in the help browser) to try some of MATLAB's online demonstrations.
- Methods to exit MATLAB: type quit at the prompt, click on (×), close icon, Alt+F4.

#### **Arithmetic**



Precedence	Operator
1	Parentheses (round brackets)
2	Power, left to right
3	Multiplication and division, left to right
4	Addition and subtraction, left to right

**Note:** MATLAB prints the answer and assigns the value to a variable called ans. If you want to perform further calculations with the answer, you can use the variable ans rather than retype the answer.

**Note:** Trigonometric functions in MATLAB use radians, not degrees.

**Note:** MATLAB displays only 5 digits by default. To display more digits, type format long (15 digits). Type format short to return to 5-digit display.

• **Recovering from Problems:** If you make an error in an input line, MATLAB will normally print an error message.

>> 3u^2
??? 3u^2
|
Error: Missing MATLAR operator

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**Note:** MATLAB places a marker (a vertical line segment) at the place where it thinks the error might be; however, the actual error may have occurred earlier or later in the expression.

**Note:** The UP- and DOWN-ARROW keys allow you to scroll back and forth through all the commands you've typed in a MATLAB session, and are very useful when you want to correct, modify, or reenter a previous command.

**Aborting Calculations:** If MATLAB gets hung up in a calculation, or seems to be taking too long to perform an operation, you can usually abort it by typing CTRL+C.

#### **Symbolic Computation**

- Type help symbolic to make sure that the Symbolic Math Toolbox is installed on your system.
- To perform symbolic computations, you must use **syms** to declare the variables you plan to use to be symbolic variables.

- The command expand told MATLAB to multiply out the expression, and factor forced MATLAB to restore it to factored form.
- MATLAB has a command called simplify, which you can sometimes use to express a formula as simply as possible.

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>> simplify((x^3 - y^3)/(x - y))
ans =
x^2+x*y+y^2
```

When you work with symbolic expressions you often need to substitute (using subs) a numerical value, or even another symbolic expression, for one (or more) of the original variables in the expression.

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>> d = 1, syms u v >> w = u^2 - v^2 >> subs(w, u, 2)
>> subs(w, v, d) >> subs(w, v, u + v) >> subs(w,[u v],[4 3])
```

**Note:** when you enter multiple commands on a single line separated by commas, MATLAB evaluates each command and displays the output on separate lines.

• Exact Arithmetic: MATLAB uses floating-point arithmetic for its calculations. You can do exact arithmetic with symbolic expressions.

 $>> \cos(pi/2)$  % really  $\cos(\pi/2)=0$  ans = 6.1232e-17

- The inaccuracy is due to MATLAB gives an approximation to π accurate to about 15 digits, not its exact value.
- To compute an exact answer, instead of an approximate answer, we must create an exact symbolic representation of  $\pi/2$  by:  $>> \cos(\text{sym}(\text{'pi/2'}))$  ans = 0
- **syms** has a lasting effect on its argument (even if x was previously defined, syms x clears that definition and renders x a symbolic variable which it remains until it is redefined) but sym has only a temporary effect unless you assign the output to a variable, as in x = sym('x').
- Here is how to add 1/2 and 1/3 symbolically:
  - >> sym('1/2') + sym('1/3') ans = 5/6

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- Variable-precision arithmetic: with vpa. For example, to print 44 digits of  $\sqrt{2}$ , type:
- > vpa('sqrt(2)', 44)
  ans = 1.4142135623730950488016887242096980785696718
- If you don't specify the number of digits, the default setting is
   32.

**Note:** one should be wary of using vpa on an expression that MATLAB must evaluate before applying variable-precision arithmetic.

3<sup>45</sup> gives a floating-point approximation

vpa(3^45) gives an answer that is correct only in its first 16 digits

vpa('3^45') gives the exact answer

#### **Vectors and Matrices**

• **Vectors:** A vector is an ordered list of numbers. You can enter a vector of any length in MATLAB by typing a list of numbers, separated by commas and/or spaces, inside square brackets. For example:

>> z = [1,4,7,18] >> y = [4 -3 5 -2 8 1]

- vector of values running from 1 to 9:
   > x = 1:9 X = 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- The increment can be specified as the **middle** of three argument: >> x = 0.2:10 x = 0.2:4.6.8.10
- Increments can be fractional or negative, for example,
   0:0.1:1 or 100:-1:0.

linspace(0,10,6) ans = 0 2 4 6 8 10

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The elements of the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  can be extracted as  $\mathbf{x}(1)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}(2)$ , etc. For example:

>> x(3) ans = 4 >> x(4:7), x([4,7])

- To change the vector x from a row vector to a column vector, put a prime (') after x: >> x' >>x1=[5,3,1,23,11],min(x1),max(x1),mean(x1),sort(x1),sum(x1)
- You can perform mathematical operations on vectors. for example, to square the elements of the vector  $\mathbf{x}$ ,  $>> \mathbf{x}.^2$  ans = 0 4 16 36 64 100
- The **period(.)** in this expression says that the numbers in **x** should be squared individually, or *element-by-element*.
- Typing x<sup>2</sup> would tell MATLAB to use matrix multiplication to multiply x by itself and would produce an error message in this case.

 Similarly, you must type .\* or ./ if you want to multiply or divide vectors element-by-element.

$$>> x.*y$$
 ans = 0 -6 20 -12 64 10

- Most MATLAB operations are, by default, performed element-by-element. For example, you do not type a period(.) before: addition, subtraction and exp(x) (the matrix exponential function is expm).
- Matrices: It is a rectangular array of numbers. Row and column vectors are examples of matrices. Consider the 3 × 4 matrix:

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 7 & 15 & 3 \\ 12 & 9 & 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} >> a = [1:4;5,7,15,3;12:-3:3]$$

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**Note:** the matrix elements in any row are separated by commas, and the rows are separated by semicolons. The elements in a row can also be separated by spaces.

- Extract: >> a(7), a(3,2), a(2,:), a(1:3,2:3), a([2 3], [1 3])
- If two matrices A and B are the same size:
   sum: A+B add a scalar (a single number): A + c
   difference: A-B subtracts: A c
- If A and B are multiplicatively compatible, i.e., if A is  $n \times m$  and B is  $m \times \ell$ , then their product A \* B is  $n \times \ell$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 28 \\ 42 & 2 \cdot 6 + 4 \cdot 4 + 6 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 31 & 28 \\ 42 & 40 \end{bmatrix} \qquad A \cdot B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot (-2) + 1 \cdot 4 & 2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot (-1) \\ 3 \cdot (-2) + 5 \cdot 4 & 3 \cdot 3 + 5 \cdot (-1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 14 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

zeros(1,3), ones(2,4), rand(3,5), randn(2,5), eye(n,m), det(A)

■ The product of a number c and the matrix A is given by c\*A, and A' represents the conjugate transpose of A.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ w & x & y & z \end{bmatrix} \qquad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 2i & 2 - i & 3i \\ 4 & -2 + 7i & 6 + 6i \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } A^* = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2i & 4 \\ 2 + i & -2 - 7i \\ -3i & 6 - 6i \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: Typing a semicolon at the end of an input line suppresses printing of the output of the MATLAB command.

#### **Functions**

 In MATLAB you will use both built-in functions and functions that you create yourself.

#### **Built-in Functions**

- MATLAB has many built-in functions.
  - 1. These include: sqrt, cos, sin, tan, log, exp, and atan (for arctan).

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- 2. Specialized mathematical functions like: **gamma**, **erf**, and **besselj**.
- 3. MATLAB also has several **built-in constants**, including: **pi** (the number  $\pi$ ), **i** (the complex number i  $=\sqrt{-1}$ ), and  $\mathbf{Inf}(\infty)$ .

#### **User-Defined Functions**

- Two methods to define your own functions are:
  - 1. The first uses the command **inline**, and the second uses the operator **a** to create what is called an "anonymous function".

>> 
$$f = @(x) x^2$$
  $f = @(x) x^2$   
>>  $f1 = inline('x^2', 'x')$   $f1 = Inline function: f1(x) = x^2$   
>>  $f(4)$  ans = 16 >>  $f1(4)$  ans = 16

Note: To insure that your user-defined function can act on vectors, insert dots before the mathematical operators \*, /, and ^.

>>  $f = @(x) x ^2$  or else >>  $f1 = inline(!x ^2! . !x!)$ 

>> 
$$f = @(x) x.^2$$
 or else >>  $f1 = inline('x.^2', 'x')$   
>>  $f(1:5)$  ans = 1 4 9 16 25

One can also define functions of two or more variables.

>> 
$$g = @(x, y) x^2 + y^2; g(1, 2)$$
 ans = 5  
>>  $g1 = inline('x^2 + y^2', 'x', 'y'); g1(1, 2)$  ans = 5

If instead you define:  $>> g = @(x, y) \times ^2 + y ^2$ ; then you can evaluate on vectors; thus:

gives the values of the function at the points (1,3) and (2,4).

$$g = @(x, y) x.^2 + y^2; g(1:5, 2)$$
 ?

$$g1 = inline('x.^2 + y.^2', 'x', 'y'); g1(1:5, 2:6)$$
?

$$g2 = inline('x.^2 + y.^2', 'x', 'y'); g2([1:3;2:4],2)$$
?

## 1. Equations to be solved in Command window:

433.12*15.7	Function	Description	Mathematical Expression
$5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + \frac{9}{5}$ and $4^3\left[\frac{3}{4} + \frac{9}{(2)3}\right]$	sin(u) cos(u)	Sinus Cosinus	$\sin(u)$ $\cos(u)$
$C = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}$	exp(u) log(u)	Exponential Natural logarithm	$e^u$ $\ln(u)$
$2^{5}/(2^{6}-1)$ $e^{4}$ $\ln(e^{4})$	10^u log10(u)	Power of base 10 Common (base 10) logarithm	$\log(u)$
$\log 10(e^{A})$ $e^{\pi\sqrt{121}}$	u^2 sqrt(u) 1/u	Power 2 Square root Reciprocal	u <sup>2</sup> u <sup>0.5</sup> 1/u
area = $\pi * (\pi/3)^2$	$= e^{(3\sqrt{131})}  c = \ln(e)$ $\log(e) + \log(e^3)$	$+ \ln(e^3)  h = \log(5) -$	$+\log_{e}(5) + \log_{2}(5)$
a = e $b = a^3$	= π	>>Factor(12) >>Factor(24)	ans: 2 2 3 ans: 2 2 2 3

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(x+2)(x-3) = x^2 - x - 6
                                >> syms t
                                >> collect((t+3)*sin(t))
>>  expand((x-1)*(x+4))
                                x^2 - y^2 = (x + y)(x - y)
ans = x^2 + 3*x - 4
                                                       ans =
                                >> factor(x^2-y^2)
expand(cos(x+y))
                                                       (x-y) * (x+y)
ans =
                                >> factor([x^2-y^2, x^3+y^3])
cos(x)*cos(y)-sin(x)*sin(y)
                                 (x^2 + 9)(x^2 - 9) = x^4 - 81
>> expand(sin(x-y))
                                >> simplify((x^4-81)/(x^2-9)) ans =
>> syms y
                                e^{2\log^3 x} = e^{\log^9 x^2} = 9x^2
                                                                  x^2+9
>> expand((y-2)*(y+8))
                                >> simplify(exp(2*log(3*x))) ans =
ans =
                                                                 9*x^2
y^2+6*y-16
                                >> simplify(cos(x)^2-sin(x)^2)
x(x^2 - 2) = x^3 - 2x
                                ans =
                                           2*cos(x)^2-1
>> collect(x*(x^2-2))
                                \Rightarrow simplify(cos(x)^2+sin(x)^2)
   ans =
   x^3-2*x
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(>> format long		, 4, 5] >> w=[1;2;4;5]			
$\Rightarrow x = 3 + 11/16 + 2^1.2 \Rightarrow A = [1,2,3;4,-5,6;5,-6,7]$					
x =>>v+2 _>>B=A' _>>A*B _>>A+B _>> B=A.'					
5.98489670999407	Transpose	B = A'			
>> format short	Identity Matrix	eye(n) → returns an n x n identity matrix			
$>> x = 3 + 11/16 + 2^1.2$	-	eye(m,n) → returns an m x n matrix with			
X =		ones on the main diagonal and zeros			
5.9849		elsewhere.			
>> format bank	Addition and subtraction	C = A + B C = A - B			
>> hourly = 35.55					
>> weekly = hourly*40	Scalar	B = $\alpha$ A, where $\alpha$ is a scalar.			
weekly =	Multiplication	0. 4+0			
1422.00	Matrix Multiplication	C = A*B			
$5.4387 \times 10^3$ as $5.4387e + 003$ .	Matrix Inverse	D = inv(A) A must be a square matrix in			
>> format short e	Matrix inverse	B = inv(A), A must be a square matrix in this case			
>> 7.2*3.1		rank (A) → returns the rank of the matrix			
ans =		A			
2.2320e+001	Matrix Powers	B = A.^2 → squares each element in the			
zeros(n) ones(n) size (A)		matrix			
length(A)		C = A * A → computes A*A, and A must be a square matrix.			
A = zeros(1,3) A = ones(2,4)	Determinant	·			
rand(3,5) $A = randn(2,5)$					
A, B, C are matrices, and m, n, $\alpha$ are scalars.					

```
>> A(2,3) >> A([2 3],[1 2]) B(:,2) = []

>> B=A([3 2],[2 1])

>> B=[A(3,2),A(3,1);A(2,2);A(2,1)]

>> A(1,:) >> A(1:2,:) >> A([1 2],:)

>> v=1:5 >> w=1:2:5 >> z=[1;2;3];

>> x=A\Z >> det(A) >> inv(A)

det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}

Inverse:

A must be square  det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = a_{11}\begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12}\begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13}\begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} 
 A_{n \times n} A^{-1}{}_{n \times n} = A^{-1}{}_{n \times n} A_{n \times n} = I 
>> f = Q(x) exp(x)-1
 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix} 
>> alpha = 1;

>> g = Q(x,y,z) x^2+y^2-alpha*z^2;

>> g(1,2,3)
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