

# WORKING WITH MATLAB

WELCOME AND GOODLUCK

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## OBJECTIVES

On the successful completion of this workshop, you should be able to

- use MATLAB to perform mathematical calculations,
- use MATLAB to define and manipulate scalars, vectors, and matrices,
- use pre-defined functions in MATLAB,
- effectively use the in-built help to accelerate the pace of learning,
- use MATLAB to visualize data by producing appropriate plots, and
- write simple MATLAB programs.

## INTRODUCTION

- 1 What is MATLAB?
- 2 What is available in MATLAB?
- 3 Why MATLAB?
- 4 Where MATLAB?

## INTRODUCTION (CONTD.)

### What is MATLAB?

*A high-level software for*

- *numerical computation,*
- *data analysis,* and
- *visualization.*

### What is available in MATLAB?

- Pre-defined functions.
- Toolboxes.
- SIMULINK.
- Blocksets.

### Why MATLAB?

- de-facto industry standard, especially in engineering,
- easy to use, and
- availability of toolboxes and blocksets.

### Where MATLAB?

- Automotive,
- Signal Processing,
- Communication,
- Aerospace,
- Finance and Economics,
- Computer, and
- *many more.*

- 1 MATLAB User Interface Layout.
- 2 Working with Variables.
- 3 Visualizing Data.
- 4 Programming.
- 5 Case Study.

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## USER INTERFACE

- Basic Components of MATLAB
- MATLAB as a Calculator
- Operators and Operator Precedence
- Pre-defined Functions

## USER INTERFACE (CONTD.)

### Basic Components of MATLAB

- To start
  - *Double-click MATLAB on desktop* or
  - *click start menu.*
- MATLAB user interface or desktop environment
  - *Command Window*
  - *Command History*
  - *Current Directory browser*
  - *Workspace Browser*

## USER INTERFACE (CONTD.)

### MATLAB as a Calculator

```
>> 2*2 - 4/3
```

```
ans =  
2.6667
```

```
>> 16^(1/4) + 3*sin( pi/ 4 )
```

```
ans =  
4.1213
```

```
>> sqrt( 4 ) + exp( j*pi/6 )
```

```
ans =  
2.8660 + 0.5000i
```

## USER INTERFACE (CONTD.)

### Operators and operator precedence

Mathematical operations in MATLAB in order of precedence

- |   |            |
|---|------------|
| ① ( ) parenthesis                               | >> 2*3+2   |
| ② ' complex conjugate transpose                 | >> 2*(3+2) |
| ③ ^ power                                       | >> 2/3     |
| ④ * multiplication; / division; \ left division | >> 2\3     |
| ⑤ + addition; - subtraction                     | >> 2*3^4   |

## USER INTERFACE (CONTD.)

### Pre-defined Functions

- Trigonometric – COS, ACOS, EXP, SIN, ASIN
- Exponential – LOG, EXP, SQRT
- Complex – ABS, ANGLE, CONJ
- Discrete Maths – FACTOR, PRIMES, GCD

Want more information? Type

```
>> help elfun
>>
>> doc elfun
>>
>> help angle
```

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## WORKING WITH VARIABLES

- Creating and Manipulating Variables.
- Accessing and Manipulating Elements in a Matrix.
- Computations with Matrices.

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES

### Creating and Manipulating Variables

*All variables in MATLAB are arrays (matrices).*

- A **scalar** is a  $1 \times 1$  array.

```
>> a = 1
a =
    1
```

- A **(column) vector** is an  $n \times 1$  array.

```
>> b = [ 1; 2 ] % or [ 1 2 ]'
b =
    1
    2
```

- A **row vector** is a  $1 \times m$  array.

```
>> c = [ 1 2 3 ] % or [ 1, 2, 3 ]
c =
    1     2     3
```

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Creating and Manipulating Variables (contd.)

*All variables in MATLAB are arrays (matrices).*

- A **matrix** is an  $n \times m$  array.

```
>> d = [ 1 2; 3 4 ]

d =

     1     2
     3     4
```

- **Strings** are arrays of characters.

```
>> str = 'Hello World!'

str =

Hello World!
```

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Creating and Manipulating Variables (contd.)

```
>> x = 1
```

```
x =
    1
```

```
>> y = 4;
```

```
>> r = sqrt( x^2 + y^2 )
```

```
r =
    4.1231
```

```
>> fx = cos( 2*x + pi/4 )
```

```
fx =
   -0.9372
```

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Creating and Manipulating Variables (contd.)

```
>> x = [ 1 2 3 4 5 ]
```

```
>> x = 1:5
```

```
>> x = 0:0.25:1
```

```
>> x = linspace( 0, 1, 5 )
```

```
>> x = logspace( -1, 2, 4 )
```

#### Exercises:

- Create the vector  $x = [10 \ \pi \ \sin(30^\circ) \ \sqrt{2}]$ .
- Create the vector
- Grid the interval from 1 to 5 using 11 points.
- Create a vector  $w$  with first element 0, last element 4 & increments of 0.5

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}.$$

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Creating and Manipulating Variables (contd.)

#### Special Matrices

```
>> A = zeros( 3 )
>> B = ones( 2, 4 )
>> C = rand( 1, 4 )
>> D = magic( 4 )
>> E = eye( 2 )
>> X = [ ones( 2 ) zeros( 2, 3 ) rand( 2, 1 ) ]
>> sparse( X )
```

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Creating and Manipulating Variables (contd.)

#### Special Matrices (contd.)

#### EXAMPLE

Write MATLAB commands to obtain the following matrices

- 1  $B_1$ : A  $3 \times 2$  matrix with all elements equal to 3.
- 2  $C_1$ : A  $2 \times 4$  matrix whose elements are random values between -1 and 3.
- 3  $D_1$ : A  $5 \times 5$  magic square. What is the sum of each row?

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Accessing and Manipulating Elements in a Matrix

*Array elements are accessed through indices.*

- A single matrix element.
- A sub-matrix.
- Re-order elements.

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Accessing and Manipulating Elements in a Matrix (contd.)

```
>> A = rand( 4, 5 )      >> A( 2:3, 3:4 )
>> A( 2, 3 )            >> A( 2:end, : )
>> A( 2, 3 ) = 5        >> A( end:-1:1, : )
>> A( 1, : )            >> A( [ 1 3 ], : )
>> A( :, 2 )            >> A( 3, [ 2 4 ] )
                        >> A( [ 1 3 ], [ 4 2 ] )
```

#### EXAMPLE

- Create a random  $2 \times 3$  matrix A.
- Modify  $a_{23}$  to  $\pi$ .
- Invert the order of the columns of A.

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Computations with Matrices

#### *Two types of computations*

Suppose

$A_1$  and  $A_2$  are two matrices of order  $m \times n$ ,  
 $B$  is of order  $n \times p$ ,  
 $C$  is  $n \times n$ , and  
 $\alpha$  is a scalar.

- Matrix computations – *Mathematically defined.*  
**Examples:**  $A_1 + A_2$ ,  $A_1 B$ ,  $C^{-1}$ ,  $\alpha A$ , ...
- Element-wise computations – *useful for speeding up computations.*  
**Examples:**  $a_{kl} b_{kl}$ , ...

## WORKING WITH VARIABLES (CONTD.)

### Computations with Matrices (contd.)

#### *Two types of computations*

#### EXAMPLE

Create the matrices

- a random  $2 \times 3$  matrix  $A$ , and
- a random  $3 \times 2$  matrix  $B$ .

Hence, calculate

- $C = AB$ ,
- $E = \varepsilon D$
- $D = C^{-1}$
- $F = E + 2I$
- $H$  where  $h_{kl} = a_{kl}^2$ .

Want to know more matrix functions, type

```
>> help matfun
>>
>> doc matfun
```

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## VISUALIZING DATA

- Basic plotting commands.
- Customizing plots.
- 2-D and 3-D plots.
- Importing data into MATLAB.
- Saving and loading data.
- Basic curve fitting.

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### Basic plotting commands

- Plotting a sinusoidal function  $y = \sin(x)$ .

```
>> x = 0:0.2:2*pi;  
>> y = sin( x );  
>> plot( x, y )
```
- Different looks

```
>> plot( x, y, 'r' )  
>> plot( x, y, ':' )  
>> plot( x, y, 'x' )
```
- Standard form:  
*plot(xdata, ydata, ' <color><linestyle><marker>' )*.

```
>> plot( x, y, 'g-.o' )
```
- For more information

```
>> help plot
```

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### Basic plotting commands (contd.)

- Drawing multiple plots on the same graph:  
 $y = \sin(x)$  and  $z = \cos(x)$ .

```
>> x = 0:0.2:2*pi;  
>> y = sin( x );  
>> z = cos( x );
```
- Does this work?

```
>> plot( x, y )  
>> plot( x, z )
```
- What about this?

```
>> plot( x, y, x, z )  
>> plot( x, y, 'r:o', x, z, 'm--s' )
```
- Or this?

```
>> plot( x, y, 'r:o' ), hold on  
>> plot( x, z, 'm--s' ), hold off
```

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### Customizing Plots

- ```
>> x = 0:0.2:2*pi;  
>> y = sin( x );  
>> z = cos( x );  
>> plot( x, y, 'r:o', x, z, 'm--s' )
```
- Adding a grid

```
>> grid
```
  - Label the axes

```
>> xlabel('Angle (rad)')  
>> ylabel('Amplitude')
```
  - A title

```
>> title('Plot of sinusoidal functions')
```
  - Legend for multiple graphs

```
>> legend('sin(x)', 'cos(x)')
```

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### Customizing Plots (contd.)

- Drawing multiple graphs in the same window:  
 $y = \sin(x)$  and  $z = \cos(x)$ .

```
>> x = 0:0.2:2*pi;  
  
>> y = sin( x );  
>> z = cos( x );  
  
>> subplot(211), plot( x, y, 'r:o' )  
>> subplot(212), plot( x, z, 'm--s' )
```

#### EXAMPLE

##### Plot

$$y = e^{\alpha x} \cos(\omega x + \beta); \alpha = -0.1, \omega = \frac{\pi}{6}, \beta = \pi.$$



## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### 2-D and 3-D Plots

#### Types of 2-D Plots:

```
>> x = 0:0.2:2*pi;
>> y = sin( x );
>> plot( x, y, 'r:o' )
>> stem( x, y )
>> bar( x, y )
>> stairs( x, y )
>> area( x, y )
```

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### 2-D and 3-D Plots (contd.)

#### Using the *plot tool* in *workspace* window.

In the workspace window,

- select the data to be plotted,
- click Plots tab,
- choose desired plot type.

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### 2-D and 3-D Plots (contd.)

#### Exporting to other applications.

In Figure window,

- choose *File* → *Save As ...*, and
- select desired file type,

or

- choose *Edit* → *Copy Figure*, then
- paste in desired file.

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### 2-D and 3-D Plots (contd.)

#### Types of 3-D Plots

```
>> X = membrane;
>> surf( X )
>> imagesc( X )
>> contour( X )
>> mesh( X )
>> surfl( X )
>> waterfall( X )
>> ribbon( X )
>> spy( X )
>> help spy
```

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### Importing Data into MATLAB

- Using the *Import Wizard*.
  - Click *Import Data*.
  - Choose *studmarks.txt*.

- Using MATLAB commands – *importdata*.

```
>> mydata = importdata( 'studmarks.txt' );
```

- For more info, type

```
>> help importdata
>>
>> doc importdata
```

- Alternate commands *xlsread*, *csvread*, *dlmread*.

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### Saving and Loading Data

#### Saving Data.

```
>> x = 0:0.2:2*pi;
>> y = sin( x );
>> z = cos( x );
>> save

Saving to: matlab.mat

>> save mydata
>> save mydata2 x y
>> save mydat3 x y -ascii
```

#### Loading Data.

```
>> clear
>> load mydata2
>>
>> clear
>> load mydata
```

## VISUALIZING DATA (CONTD.)

### Basic Curve Fitting

- In Figure window, choose *Tools* → *Basic Fitting*
- Choose type of curve desired
- Choose other parameters
- Analyze
- Explore

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## PROGRAMMING

- The MATLAB editor.
- Script m-files.
- Function m-files.

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

### The MATLAB Editor

- For writing MATLAB programs.
- Works like any normal text editor.
- Two types of programs
  - Script m-files.
  - Function m-files.
- To open the editor,
  - Choose *Home* tab,
  - Click *New Script* or *New → Script*.

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

**Script (m-)files** Type the following in the editor.

```
%% This is my first MATLAB program
% First clear the mess
close all % Closes all figure windows
clear % clear the workspace
clc % clear the command window

%% Display message
disp('Now I can write script m-files!!!')

%% Determine the variables
x = 0:0.2:2*pi; y = sin( x ); z = cos( x );

%% Plot the figures
plot( x, y, 'r:o', x, z, 'm--s' ), grid
xlabel('x values'), ylabel('y values')
title('Plot of sinusoidal functions')
legend('sin(x)', 'cos(x)')
```

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

### Script (m-)files (contd.)

- To save the program (use *myfirst.m* as the name).
  - click on *Save*, or
  - type *Ctrl-s*.
- To run the program
  - Type the file name (*myfirst*) in the command window, or
  - click the *Run myfirst.m* icon.
- For clarity of the program, add the following (comments) at the top.

```
%% MYFIRST
% This program plots the sinusoidal functions sin(x)
% and cos(x) for x = 0 to pi in steps of 0.2 radians.
%
% Written by ...
% June 22, 2011
% Last modified ...
%
```

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

### Script (m-)files (contd.)

- To publish a MATLAB program, use **Cells** in the Editor.
  - To define a Cell, use `% %`.
- To publish the file, click **PUBLISH** → **Publish**.
- By default, html files are produced.
- To publish to other file types,
  - click **Publish** → **Edit Publishing Options**.
  - In the dialog box, make changes as desired.

### EXAMPLE

Write a MATLAB script file to calculate and plot

$$y = e^{\alpha x} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} x\right)$$

for  $\alpha = 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1$ . Choose range of  $x$  to display at least two cycles. Finally publish a report.

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

### Function (m-)files

- Type the following in the editor,

```
function y = mymean( x )
% Calculates the average of the numbers in a vector
[ m, n ] = size( x ); % No of rows & columns in x.
if m==1 | n==1
    k = max( m, n ); % Number of elements
    y = sum( x )/k;
else
    disp('x must be a vector.')
end
```

- The first line of a function must be **function** [outputs] = function\_name( inputs )
- Save the file as **mymean.m**

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

### Function (m-)files (contd.)

- Type the following in the editor,

```
function [ yavg ymin ymax ] = mymean2( x )
% This program calculates the average, minimum, and
% maximum of the numbers in a vector.
%
[ m, n ] = size( x ); % No of rows & columns in x.
if m==1 | n==1
    k = max( m, n ); yavg = sum( x )/k;
    [ ymin ymax ] = myminmax( x );
else
    disp('x must be a vector.')
end

function [ ymin ymax ] = myminmax( x ) % Subfunction
w = sort( x );
ymin = w( 1 ); ymax = w( end );
end
```

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

### Function (m-)files (contd.)

- To execute the program, type

```
>> x = rand( 1, 4 )

>> mymean( x )

>> y = rand( 4, 1 )

>> mymean( y )

>> z = rand( 2, 4 )

>> mymean( z )
```

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

### Script (m-)files (contd.)

#### EXAMPLE

Write 3 MATLAB function files to calculate and plot

$$y = e^{-ax} \sin(wx); a = 0.1, w = \frac{\pi}{3}.$$

The syntax of each of the functions should be

- `y = myfunc1( x )`
- `y = myfunc2( x, a )`
- `y = myfunc3( x, a, w )`

## PROGRAMMING (CONTD.)

### Script (m-)files & Function (m-)files

#### Comparison

| Script m-files                                                                                                                       | Function m-files                                                                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| No restriction on structure                                                                                                          | First line must be the function definition line.                                 |
| Variables are transparent with the workspace. Workspace variables can be used. script file variables are available in the workspace. | Variables are local. Variables are exchanged through input and output arguments. |
| No restriction on name                                                                                                               | File name must be same as function name.                                         |

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## CASE STUDY

- Universities evaluate students through tests, final exams, assignments, quizzes, projects, etc.
- In this case study, you will apply aspects of MATLAB that you have learnt today.
- You will write a MATLAB program to read student marks from a file and calculate their grades.
- It will also analyze the performance of the entire class.
- Refer to your course notes for the exact question.