

EL2310 – Scientific Programming

Lecture 2: Matlab as a Tool



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Overview

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Wrap Up

Matrices (continued)

Linear Algebra

Plotting & Visualization

Tasks for Home

Changing matrix shape

- ▶ Sometimes useful to change the shape of a matrix
- ▶ Ex: You have an array $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \dots, x_N, y_N$ and you want to make a matrix with (x, y) column vectors
- ▶ `reshape(A, n, m)` ; goes through matrix/vector A column wise

```
A =
    1     4     7    10
    2     5     8    11
    3     6     9    12
```

```
B = reshape(A, 2, 6)
```

```
B =
    1     3     5     7     9    11
    2     4     6     8    10    12
```

Finding elements

- ▶ You can find non-zero elements

```
[ind] = find(A)
```

returns the linear index (single index)

- ▶ Can get the subscripts by providing two output arguments

```
[ii, jj] = find(A)
```

- ▶ Can replace test for non-zero with a logic expression such as

```
[ii, jj] = find(A>3)
```

- ▶ Note that $A>3$ is a matrix of the same dimension as A and with 1-elements for each element in A that is > 3 and 0 for the rest

Linear algebra (some examples)

- ▶ Easy to calculate basic linear algebra
- ▶ Inverse: `inv(A)`
- ▶ Determinant: `det(A)`
- ▶ Rank: `rank(A)`
- ▶ Trace: `trace(A)`

Linear algebra: Eigenvalues

- ▶ Finding eigenvalues

`eig(A)`

- ▶ Getting eigenvalue and vectors

`[V,D] = eig(A)`

V full matrix contains the eigen vectors (columns) and D is a diagonal matrix with the eigenvalues on the diagonal

Fulfills $AV = VD$

Linear algebra: Singular value decomposition (SVD)

- ▶ Calculating svd is simple
 $[U, S, V] = \text{svd}(A)$
- ▶ Fulfills $A = U * S * V^T$
- ▶ $s = \text{svd}(A)$ gives the singular values

Square root matrix

- ▶ Square root matrix fulfills $A = XX$
- ▶ Calculated with $X = \text{sqrtm}(A)$;
- ▶ Remember: Element wise multiplication with `.*`

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

A =

     1     2
     3     4

>> As = sqrtm(A)

As =

 0.5537 + 0.4644i   0.8070 - 0.2124i
 1.2104 - 0.3186i   1.7641 + 0.1458i

>> As*As

ans =

 1.0000 + 0.0000i   2.0000
 3.0000 + 0.0000i   4.0000

>> As.*As

ans =

 0.0909 + 0.5143i   0.6061 - 0.3428i
 1.3636 - 0.7714i   3.0909 + 0.5143i
```

More operations

- ▶ Easy to calculate mean, standard deviation, etc.
- ▶ Applies to a vector or columns of a matrix
- ▶ Mean value: `mean(v)`
- ▶ Standard deviation: `std(v)`
- ▶ Min value : `min(v)` (also `min(A, 2)`)
- ▶ Max value : `max(v)` (also `max(A, 2)`)
- ▶ Sum : `sum(v)`
- ▶ Difference : `diff(v)`
- ▶ Cumulative sum: `cumsum(v)`
- ▶ Covariance: `cov(X)`

More operations cont.

- ▶ Useful tip: Convert a matrix to column vector $A(:)$
What's $\min(A)$ and $\min(A(:))$ if A is a matrix?

- ▶ Additional parameter specifies dimension:

```
mean(A, 1 or 2)
```

```
min(A, [], 1 or 2) Why []?
```

```
max(A, [], 1 or 2)
```

```
sum(A, 1 or 2)
```

Plotting data

- ▶ Plotting data with
`plot(x, y)`
- ▶ With one argument the x-axis will be the vector index and the y-axis the value of the input vector
- ▶ Can specify color and type of line/points, e.g.
`plot(x, y, 'r.')` to get a red dot for every data point
- ▶ For more information do
`help plot`
- ▶ Example: Plot $\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$, i.e. a normal distribution with standard deviation σ and mean value μ .

Titels, labels, etc

- ▶ Label the axes with

```
xlabel('text on the x-axis')
```

```
ylabel('text on the y-axis')
```

- ▶ and give a title with

```
title('Some nice title')
```

- ▶ You can change the font size by adding extra arguments

```
xlabel('text on the x-axis', 'FontSize', 20)
```

Handles and set/get

- ▶ Calls to graphics functions return a “handle”
- ▶ Can use this handle to set/get properties
- ▶ `h = title('Some nice title');`
- ▶ List properties with
`get(h);`
- ▶ Set property with
`set(h, 'FontSize', 20);`
- ▶ Get current handle:
`gcf` - figure
`gca` - axes

Plotting continued

- ▶ You can plot more than one thing at a time:

```
plot(x1, y1, x2, y2)
```

will plot x1 against y1 and x2 against y2 in the same graph

- ▶ Each pair assigned its own color automatically
- ▶ You can manually specify color/marker for each:

```
plot(x1, y1, 'r', x2, y2, 'b')
```

- ▶ Every plot call will clear the figure
- ▶ Use `hold on` and `hold off` to stop from clearing

```
hold on
```

```
plot(x1, y1)
```

```
plot(x2, y2)
```

```
hold off
```

More plotting

- ▶ You can provide labels for your data with `legend`
`plot(x1, y1, x2, y2)`
`legend('data set 1', 'data set 2')`
- ▶ You can specify which figure window something goes to with `figure(n)`
If specified window does not exist it will be created
- ▶ You can clear a figure (the current one) with `clf`
- ▶ Can get grid with `grid`
- ▶ Can plot with one or both axis in logarithmic scale
`semilogx(x, y)`
`semilogy(x, y)`
`loglog(x, y)`

Data Analysis

- ▶ Let's generate, plot and analyse data with Matlab

Exercises

- ▶ Generate a vector of normally distributed random samples
- ▶ Compute the mean and standard deviation from the samples
- ▶ Generate two sequences of random samples and compute covariance

Exercises

- ▶ Generate a "data set" using $x = 5 - 10 * rand(1, 1000)$
 $y = 2 + 3 * x + randn(1, 1000)$.
- ▶ Save the result in a file *data.mat*.

Exercises

- ▶ Assume someone hands you the data generated in the previous task without information about how it was generated.
- ▶ Load and plot the (x, y) data to understand it (try *scatter*).
- ▶ Assume that you don't know how the data was actually generated. Try to fit line to the data (x, y) using just the data samples.
- ▶ Plot your line approximation

Exercises

- ▶ Generated a "data set" using
 $x = 5-10*\text{rand}(1, 1000)$
 $y = 2+0.1*x.^3+\text{randn}(1, 1000)$.
- ▶ Assume someone hands you the data above without any information about how it was generated.
- ▶ Plot the (x, y) data to understand it.
- ▶ Read about regression methods online and check useful matlab commands.
- ▶ Can you fit a non-linear function to the data?
- ▶ Quantify the error in your approximation compared to a simple line fit to this data?

Next time

- ▶ Finish up plotting
- ▶ Functions and scripts in detail

