

Notes Set 1

CSS 455
Winter 2011

Find a Partner

- You will sign up as a group at the class break.

This set (week1)

- A few general introductory points
- [Web Site Review](#)
- [Syllabus Review](#)
- [GA1](#), [HW0](#)
- [General Matlab Issues](#)
- Vector implementation in Matlab and simple plots
- Floating point error issues

General Matlab issues

- Interpreted language, but with considerable efficiency for vector and array operations
- Frequent choice for engineering and science problems of modest proportion.
- Mostly procedural – although objects are available. *What I do is mostly procedural.*
- Double precision throughout

General Matlab issues

- Main program is at command line or in an *m-file* starting with commands
- Subprograms are functions:
 - Primary functions – *m-files also, with name same as function.*
 - Subfunctions – follow primary functions in m-file
 - Nested functions – nested within primary functions
 - Private functions – primary functions with restricted access.

General Matlab issues

- Data structures and cell arrays are available
- User input: *input()*, *inputdlg*, *menu*, *ginput*
- User output: *disp*, *sprintf*, *fprintf*,
- Data import/export: spreadsheets, etc
- *csvread/csvwrite*; *dlmread/dlmwrite*; *fread/fwrite*; etc
- *tic*, *toc*, *profile*

General Matlab issues

- Array indexes *start with 1 (not zero)!!!*
- 2-D arrays are indexed as A(row,col)
- 2D arrays can also be indexed linearly, as they are stored by column order.
- Will do activity to determine variable scope (global or local) and function scope (visibility)
- Will do activity to determine if arguments are passed by reference or by value.

General Matlab issues

- Really easy: no typing (all numbers are double precision, *regardless of format*)
- Semicolons suppress output rather than terminate statements. Statements must be continued (...)
- Usual control logic (for loops, if-else blocks, case, while loops).
- Variable names are case sensitive

- In physics, a vector is a construct with both magnitude and direction.
- In linear algebra a vector is a column (row) of numbers.
- The latter is a representation of the former.
- Think about both 2- and 3- dimensional vectors and about n-dimensional generalizations in considering these notes.

Notation

- Vectors are often denoted by bold faced lower case symbols, such as \mathbf{a} , or by singly underlined symbols, such as \underline{a} . (*Matlab does not distinguish*)
- In 3D Euclidean space, the *unit vectors* in the x , y , and z directions are denoted, respectively, as $\{\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}\}$ or $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$.
- The vector \mathbf{a} with components a_x , a_y , and a_z is expressed as $\mathbf{a} = a_x\mathbf{i} + a_y\mathbf{j} + a_z\mathbf{k}$.

Notation

- In column notation, \mathbf{a} is expressed as:

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \\ a_z \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- In row notation, \mathbf{a} is expressed as:

$$\mathbf{a} = (a_x \ a_y \ a_z) \text{ or } (a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3)$$

Vector definitions in Matlab

```
>> a = [1 5 7]
a =
     1     5     7
>> b = [ 1; 5; 7]
b =
     1
     5
     7
```

- Notice square brackets for vector definition.
- Semicolons separate the rows of the vector.

Vector definitions in Matlab

```
>> a = [1 5 7]
a =
     1     5     7
>> b = [ 1; 5; 7]
b =
     1
     5
     7
```

```
>> a(1)
ans =
     1
>> b(2)
ans =
     5
```

•The vector index starts at 1, not 0.

Vector definitions in Matlab

```
EDU>> c = [1 15 20];
EDU>> c
```

```
c =
     1    15    20
EDU>>
```

•Trailing semicolons suppress output

• Unit Vectors

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = \mathbf{i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_2 = \mathbf{j} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_3 = \mathbf{k} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• n - dimensional vectors

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Transposition interconverts row and column vectors.

- Transpose operator is denoted by superscript T or by prime indicator:
- Transpose of \mathbf{x} is \mathbf{x}^T or \mathbf{x}'

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b}^T = \mathbf{b}' = (b_1 \ b_2 \ \cdots \ b_n)$$

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$$\mathbf{c} = (c_1 \ c_2 \ \cdots \ c_n) \quad \mathbf{c}^T = \mathbf{c}' = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Matlab uses single quote for transposition

```
>> b = [1 5 8 2]
b =
     1     5     8     2
>> btr = b'
btr =
     1
     5
     8
     2
>> c = [5;3;4;10]
c =
     5
     3
     4
    10
>> ctr=c'
ctr =
     5     3     4    10
```

Vector Operations

- Addition

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + b_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n + b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- Multiplication by constant λ :

$$\lambda \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda a_1 \\ \lambda a_2 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- Subtraction

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 - b_1 \\ a_2 - b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n - b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

```

>> a = [4;6;8;21]
a =
     4
     6
     8
    21
>> b = [1;3;2;5]
b =
     1
     3
     2
     5
>> c = a+b
c =
     5
     9
    10
    26
        
```

Vector Addition

```

>> x=a'
x =
     4     6     8    21
>> y=b'
y =
     1     3     2     5
>> z=x+y
z =
     5     9    10    26
        
```

```

a =
     4
     6
     8
    21
>> b
b =
     1
     3
     2
     5
>> c=b-a
c =
    -3
    -3
    -6
   -16
        
```

Vector Subtraction

```

>> x
x =
     4     6     8    21
>> y
y =
     1     3     2     5
>> z=x-y
z =
     3     3     6    16
        
```

```

a =
    5
    3
   21
    4
>> s=3
s =
    3
>> b=s*a
b =
   15
    9
   63
   12

```

```

a =
   15
    6
    4
>> s
s =
    3
>> u = a/s
u =
   5.0000
   2.0000
   1.3333

```

Scalar
Multiplication
/division

Vector Magnitudes

- In ordinary two- and three- dimensional space, the magnitude of a vector is given by its Euclidean Norm

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}$$

In n dimensions:

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \left(\sum_i^n a_i^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

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This is an example of the more general concept of a *vector norm*.

Vector Norms

- If \mathbf{x} is an n -dimension vector

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1 \ x_2 \ \cdots \ x_n)$$

P=2 is the usual Euclidean Norm

- Then the p -norm of \mathbf{x} is given by:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p} = \left(|x_1|^p + |x_2|^p + \cdots + |x_n|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

The summation operator Σ will be encountered frequently.

Vector Norms - measure of size or “length” of vector

- p -norm

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

- 1-norm

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| \right)$$

- 2-norm (Euclidean)

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

- ∞ -norm

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|$$

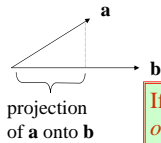
Vector Norms in Matlab

```
MATLAB Command Window
File Edit Window Help
c = [ 4 9 -12 3]
c =
     4     9    -12     3
```

```
>> norm(c)
ans =
    15.8114
>> norm(c,1)
ans =
    28.0000
>> norm(c,inf)
ans =
    12
```

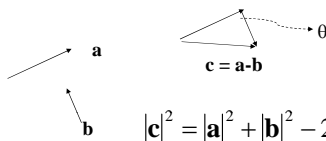
Scalar (dot or inner) Product

- In physics it is useful to define the scalar product of two vectors:
 $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \cos(\theta)$, where θ is the angle between \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .



If \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are *perpendicular or orthogonal*, their scalar product is zero. ($\cos 90^\circ = 0$)

Law of Cosines from Trig



$$|\mathbf{c}|^2 = |\mathbf{a}|^2 + |\mathbf{b}|^2 - 2|\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|\cos(\theta)$$

$$|\mathbf{c}|^2 = |\mathbf{a}|^2 + |\mathbf{b}|^2 - 2\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$$

$$|\mathbf{a}|^2 = \left[(\mathbf{a}_1^2 + \mathbf{a}_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2 = \mathbf{a}_1^2 + \mathbf{a}_2^2$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{2} \{ |\mathbf{a}|^2 + |\mathbf{b}|^2 - |\mathbf{c}|^2 \}$$

- Substitute component expressions for vector magnitudes:

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{2} \left[(\mathbf{a}_1^2 + \mathbf{a}_2^2) + (\mathbf{b}_1^2 + \mathbf{b}_2^2) - (\mathbf{c}_1^2 + \mathbf{c}_2^2) \right]$$

$$\bullet \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}, \text{ so } \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{b}_1 \text{ and } \mathbf{c}_2 = \mathbf{a}_2 - \mathbf{b}_2$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{2} \left[(\mathbf{a}_1^2 + \mathbf{a}_2^2) + (\mathbf{b}_1^2 + \mathbf{b}_2^2) - \left((\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{b}_1)^2 + (\mathbf{a}_2 - \mathbf{b}_2)^2 \right) \right]$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{2} \left[(\mathbf{a}_1^2 + \mathbf{a}_2^2) + (\mathbf{b}_1^2 + \mathbf{b}_2^2) - (\mathbf{a}_1^2 + \mathbf{b}_1^2 - 2\mathbf{a}_1\mathbf{b}_1) - (\mathbf{a}_2^2 + \mathbf{b}_2^2 - 2\mathbf{a}_2\mathbf{b}_2) \right]$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 \mathbf{b}_2$$

The inner (scalar, dot) vector product is generalized to n -dimensions:

- If \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are both n dimension column vectors.

$$\mathbf{a}^T = \mathbf{a}' = (a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n) \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$$

- Note that by convention the first vector of the product is a *row* vector and the second is a *column* vector. The transpose is taken if necessary to assure this.
- This convention is consistent with the matrix multiply operation we will introduce.

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b} = (a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n) \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Scalar (inner) product in Matlab

```
a =
     1     5     9
>> b
b =
     3
     2
     7
>> a*b
ans =
    76
```

There are other ways to do this in Matlab, using the element-by-element multiply (`.*`) and the sum function (`sum`)

Note: the elementary multiply operator becomes a scalar product when both operands are vectors.

Product Operator

The product operator (*) is overloaded. It's operation depends upon the nature of the operands.

```
>> s1=3;  
>> s2=5;  
>> a = [1 5 9];  
>> b = [3;2;7];
```

Scalar times scalar

Initialization:

```
>> s1*s2  
ans =  
15
```

Product Operator

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```
>> s1=3;  
>> s2=5;  
>> a = [1 5 9];  
>> b = [3;2;7];
```

Scalar times vector

Initialization:

```
>> s1*a  
ans =  
3 15 27
```

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```
>> s1=3;  
>> s2=5;  
>> a = [1 5 9];  
>> b = [3;2;7];
```

Scalar times vector

Initialization:

```
>> s1*b  
ans =  
9  
6  
21
```

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```
>> s1=3;  
>> s2=5;  
>> a = [1 5 9];  
>> b = [3;2;7];
```

Vector times vector

Initialization:

```
>> a*b  
ans =  
76
```

Matlab "pointwise" operators

- The operators ".*" and "./" operate on each element of the two vector operands and place the result in corresponding element.

$c = a .* b$, then
 $c(1) = a(1)*b(1)$
 $c(2) = a(2)*b(2)$, etc.

$c = a ./ b$, then
 $c(1) = a(1)/b(1)$
 $c(2) = a(2)/b(2)$,
etc.

The operands must be vectors of same dimension, and the result is also a vector that dimension.

Pointwise Multiplication

```
a =  
    1     5     9    10  
>> b  
b =  
     2     3     7    11  
>> c=a.*b  
c =  
     2    15    63   110
```

Pointwise Division

```
a =  
    1    5    9   10  
>> b  
b =  
    2    5    3    2  
>> c=a./b  
c =  
    0.5000    1.0000    3.0000    5.0000
```

Activity 1

Orthogonality and normalization in terms of the scalar product

- \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are *orthogonal* if $\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b} = 0$

- Unit vectors are one example of an orthogonal set

$$\mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{e}_1 \cdot \mathbf{e}_2 = (1 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

- \mathbf{a} is *normalized* if its magnitude is unity:

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{a}} = 1$$
$$\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{a} = 1$$

Unit vectors are normalized:

$$|\mathbf{i}| = \sqrt{\mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{i}} = \sqrt{\mathbf{i}^T \mathbf{i}} = \left[(1 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1$$

Vectors as arguments

- When a built-in function operates on a vector, it produces a vector of results in Matlab
If $\mathbf{c} = \sin(\mathbf{x})$, then
 $\mathbf{c}(1) = \sin(\mathbf{x}(1))$
 $\mathbf{c}(2) = \sin(\mathbf{x}(2))$, etc.
- You can vectorize in-line functions with the *vectorize* function.

Vector argument for *exp*

```
>> v = [0 1 2 3]
v =
     0     1     2     3
>> z = exp(v)
z =
  1.0000  2.7183  7.3891 20.0855
```

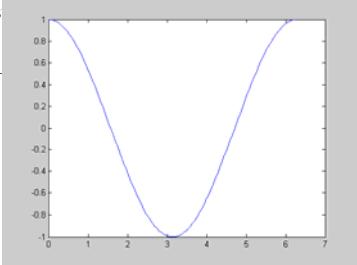
e^0 e^1 e^2 e^3

Use Vectors for Plotting in Matlab

- To plot the function $f(x) = \cos(x)$, $x=0 - 2\pi$
- First: set up a vector \mathbf{x} of the independent variable **closely spaced** over the range.
- Second: Evaluate a vector \mathbf{y} of the dependent variables: ($\mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{x})$)
- Third plot the curve using *plot(x,y)*

```
xlo=0;
xhi = 2*pi;
nstep = 120;
x = linspace(xlo,xhi,nstep);
y = cos(x);
plot(x,y,'-')
```

Plot of cosine function.

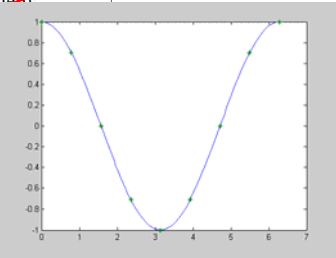


Curve is smooth because of using 120 points.

Here, the vectors are simply data structures and do not have physical meaning.

```
xlo=0;
xhi = 2*pi;
nstep = 100;
x = linspace(xlo,xhi,nstep);
xdata = [xlo:0.25*pi:xhi];
y = cos(x);
ydata = cos(xdata);
plot(x,y,'-',xdata,ydata,'x')
```

some data points

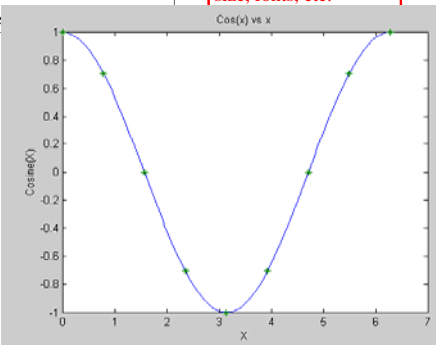


•What is xdata?
•How many elements?

One vector contains the selected data points. (xdata, ydata)
The other contains the many points to give a smooth curve. (x,y)

```
plot(x,y,'-',xdata,ydata,'x')
title('Cos(x) vs x')
xlabel('X')
ylabel('Cosine')
```

Include labels



•These functions have parameters to control size, fonts, etc.
