



# INTRODUCTION TO MATLAB

Vectors and matrices

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# 01 Scripts

- Scripts are successions of commands. Executed in the order found (from top to bottom).
- % at the beginning of a line means that it's a comment and won't be ran.
- Use ; at the end of each command to suppress the output of that command.
- To run the script, use F5.
- Use %% to divide the script in independent cells.
- To run a cell, press ctrl+Enter.
- Script names can have letters, underscores and numbers. Just like variables.
- Remember, all will be saved to the workspace (command window). Variables will be overwritten.

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## 02 Elementwise Operations

Matrix times matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} w & x \\ y & z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A .* B = \begin{pmatrix} aw & bx \\ cy & dz \end{pmatrix} \neq A * B$$

$$A ./ B = \begin{pmatrix} a/w & b/x \\ c/y & d/z \end{pmatrix} \neq A / B$$

$$A .\pm B = A \pm B = \begin{pmatrix} a \pm w & b \pm x \\ c \pm y & d \pm z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A .^2 = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & b^2 \\ c^2 & d^2 \end{pmatrix} \neq A ^2$$

Note: the sizes of the two matrices in elementwise operations must be exactly the same.

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## 02 Exceptions

- `2+ones(2,3)`
- `2*ones(2,3)`
- `2./ones(2,3)`
- `2.^ones(2,3)`
  
- Do not use `a(1:10,1) = []`. Use `a(:,1) = []` instead

## 02 Exercises

- Compute  $S(N) = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{N}$ , for  $N = 100$
- Compute  $G(N) = \sum_{n=1}^N x^n = x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^N$ ,  $x = 0.5$ , for  $N = 100$

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## 03 Variable types

- Multidimensional arrays
- Cell
- Structures
- Strings

## 03 Multidimensional arrays

	column			
row	{1, 1}	{1, 2}	{1, 3}	{1, 4}
	{2, 1}	{2, 2}	{2, 3}	{2, 4}
	{3, 1}	{3, 2}	{3, 3}	{3, 4}
	{4, 1}	{4, 2}	{4, 3}	{4, 4}

A(2,3,2)

	6	8	3
	4	3	5
	5	9	2
1	0	3	
4	-1	2	
8	2	1	

A(:, :, 1) =

1	0	3
4	-1	2
8	2	1

A(:, :, 2) =

6	8	3
4	3	6
5	9	2

	column					page			
row	{1, 1, 1}	{1, 2, 1}	{1, 3, 1}	{1, 4, 1}	row	{1, 1, 2}	{1, 2, 2}	{1, 3, 2}	{1, 4, 2}
	{2, 1, 1}	{2, 2, 1}	{2, 3, 1}	{2, 4, 1}		{2, 1, 2}	{2, 2, 2}	{2, 3, 2}	{2, 4, 2}
	{3, 1, 1}	{3, 2, 1}	{3, 3, 1}	{3, 4, 1}		{3, 1, 2}	{3, 2, 2}	{3, 3, 2}	{3, 4, 2}
	{4, 1, 1}	{4, 2, 1}	{4, 3, 1}	{4, 4, 1}		{4, 1, 2}	{4, 2, 2}	{4, 3, 2}	{4, 4, 2}

## 03 Multidimensional examples

Example 1:

```
A(:,:,1) = magic(5);
```

```
A(:,:,2) = zeros(5);
```

```
A(:,:,3) = ones(5);
```

Example 2:

```
A = zeros(2,2,4);
```

Example 3:

```
A = ones(3,6,5);
```

Exercise:

- Create a matrix 4x4x3, such that the first layer has 1s in the diagonal, the second has 2s, the third has 3s.
- Create a 6x6x10, such that the first five layers have just 1s, layers from 6 to 9 have just 0s, the 10th layer is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



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## 03 Cells and structures

Cells:

They are similar to arrays, but each element can have a different size

Example:

To initialize a cell array:

```
A = cell(3,2)
```

To index, use curly brackets:

```
A{1,1} = magic(5);
```

```
A{3,2} = zeros(2,1);
```

To index a cell's element's elements: `A{1,1}(1,1)`

Structures:

Like Cells, but indexed with names:

Example:

For a structure named “subject”,

```
subject.age = 30;
```

```
subject.country = 'Mexico';
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```
subject.height = 1.83;
```

```
subject.results = [1, 0, 1, 1, 0];
```

To index the element's element, `subject.results(5)`

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## 03 Cells and structures exercises

- Create a vector-cell `CellA` whose first element is `[1]`, the second `[1, 2]`, then `[1,2,3]`, etc., until 5. The 6th element is `magic(7)`. The 7th one is empty.
- Create a structure called `MyStruct` with elements: `NoOfClassmates`, `CurrentYear`, `MyCell` and `Magia`. The value of `MyCell` should be `CellA` from the previous exercise. The value of `Magia` should be the 6th element of `CellA`.
- From `MyStruct`, change the 7th element of `MyCell` (that is, `MyStruct.MyCell{7}`) to `rand(2,10)`

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## 03 Strings

Strings are arrays of letters.

```
A = 'I am a Vahid';
```

They are indexed like an array:

```
A(1) gives I , A(2) gives (empty space) ;
```

To create two-dimensional arrays of chars:

```
B = char(A, 'Yes I am');
```

Note: `C = '52'`; is NOT a number. `C+5` throws an error. Examples for indexing:

```
A(8:end) gives Vahid
```

```
B(2,1:3) gives Yes
```

Exercise: Substitute Vahid's name for your own in A. You might have to add or delete characters at the end.