

#### Engineering Concepts and Methods

# Outline

- Math and Trigonometric Functions
- Data Analysis Functions
- Matrix Operations
- Solutions to Systems of Linear Equations

## MATLAB Help feature

- To get help on a particular topic, type help <topic> in the command window
  - Example: help sin
  - help sqrt
- MATLAB will display what that function does, how many argument(s) it needs, and the names of similar functions

#### Math and Trigonometric Functions

#### Elementary math functions:

- abs(x)
- sqrt(x)
- round(x)
- exp(x)
- log(x) is natural log i.e. ln(x); log10(x) is log<sub>10</sub>(x)
- Trigonometric functions:
  - sin(x), x in radians
  - cos(x);
  - acos(x), x must be a number between 1 and -1

## **Data Analysis Functions**

- Functions used to evaluate a set of test data:
  - max(x): returns the largest value in a vector x. Returns a row vector containing the maximum element from each column of a matrix x.
  - max(x,y): Returns a matrix. Each element in the matrix contains the maximum value from the corresponding positions in x and y.
  - min(x); min(x,y)



$$min(x) = 2$$
  
 $min(x,y) = 2 \ 10 \ 21 \ 13$ 

## **Data Analysis Functions**

- Mean(x): computes the average value of the elements in a vector x or computes the mean value of each column of a matrix x.
- median(x): computes the median value of the elements in a vector x or computes the median value of each column of a matrix x.
- std(x): computes the standard deviation of the values in a vector x or computes the standard deviation of each column of matrix x

## **Data Analysis Functions**

- sum(x) : sum of the elements of vector x
- prod(x): product of elements of vector x
- sort(x) : sorts the elements of vector x into ascending order
- size(x) : determines the number of rows and columns of matrix x
- Iength(x): determines the largest dimension of matrix x

# Special values & functions

- **pi**:π
- i, j : imaginary number
- Inf : infinity, divide by zero
- NaN : not-a-number, divide zero by zero
- clock: display current year, month, day, hour, minute and seconds
- date: current date 02-Nov-2005

# **Colon Operator**

- Use to define a range (like .. In MathCAD)
- A = 1:5
  - Means A = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
  - By default the increment is 1
- A = 1:2:5
  - The middle number is the increment
  - So, A = 1, 3, 5

## More use of Colon Operator

- To represent an ENTIRE row or column
- To select a submatrix from another matrix.
   Exp: F = C(:,2)
  - F will have the 2<sup>nd</sup> column of matrix C
  - means all the rows of the chosen column
- To choose 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> column, B=C(:,2:4)
- To choose  $2^{nd}$  row, A = C(2,:)
- To choose a single element, D = C(2,3)

## Array operations

- If you want element-by-element operation for an array use .
  - A.\*B element-by-element multiplication
  - A./B element-by-element division
  - A.^3 exponentiation of individual elements
  - But for addition and subtraction use A+B
  - To multiply or divide each elements of array
     A by a constant number use 2.5\*A

#### **Matrix Operations and Functions**

- Transpose: A'
- Power:  $A^2 = A^*A$
- Matrix Multiplication: A\*B
  - Inner matrix dimension must agree.

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$$C_{2x3} = A_{2x3} * B_{3x3}$$

- Matrix Inverse: A<sup>-1</sup> or inv(A)
- Determinant: det(A)
- Dot Product: dot(A,B)

## Solutions to linear Equations

#### Consider the following system:

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$$3x+2y-z=10$$
  
•  $-x+3y+2z=5$   
•  $x-y-z=-1$   
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $B = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Solution using the matrix inverse: X=inv(A)\*BSolution using matrix left division:  $X=A\setminus B$ 

#### Solutions to linear Equations

#### MATLAB

MathCAD

X := [A]<sup>-1</sup>.B
X := Isolve(A,B)

#### Random numbers

rand(n): returns an n x n matrix
rand(m,n): returns an m x n matrix

The M-FILE (another way to save your work)

- Enter Commands just like Command Window.
- Save comments, equations and variables
- Create programs and save.
- Run your M-File. (click on "*Debug/Run*")
  - Can also run from Command Window
- NOTE: You CANNOT see the results of your program here...
- The results will be written in the Command Window

# Use m-file

 Calculate the range of a projectile using the following equation and display the results in a table

$$range = \frac{2V^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{g}$$

- g = 9.81;  $\theta$  = launch angle = 0 to  $\pi/2$
- V is the velocity of launch = 50

% range of a projectile V = 50;q = 9.81; % launch angle in radian theta = 0:pi/10:pi/2; % convert radian to degree degree = theta \* 180/pi ; % calculate range range = 2 \* V \* V \* sin(theta) .\*cos(theta) / g;% create a table table = [degree', range']

#### Save the file as example.m

#### **Command Window**

>> example

table =

0	0
18.0000	149.7924
36.0000	242.3691
54.0000	242.3691
72.0000	149.7924
90.0000	0.0000

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