

ENG 101 M05

Relational and Logical Operators

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Operators

- ▶ Relational operator
 - ▶ compares two values and generates the result
 - ▶ **1** if the statement is **true**
 - ▶ **0** if the statement is **false**
- ▶ Logical operator examines true/false statements and produces **1** or **0** according to the specific operator

Relational operator:

<u>Relational operator</u>	<u>Description</u>
<	Less than
>	Greater than
<=	Less than or equal to
>=	Greater than or equal to
==	Equal to
~=	Not Equal to

- ▶ Can't put space between operators that have two characters
- ▶ "Not equal to" is "~=", not "!=" as in C or C++
- ▶ "Equal to" comparison is two equal signs (==), not one.
- ▶ Remember, "=" means "assign to" or "put into"



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- ▶ Result of comparing with a relational operator is always "true" or "false"
 - ▶ If "true", MATLAB gives the comparison a value of one (1)
 - ▶ If "false", MATLAB gives the comparison a value of zero (0)



This may be different than convention in other programming languages. For example, C gives an expression that is false a value of zero, but it can give a true expression any value but zero, which you can't assume will be one

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When comparing arrays

- ▶ They must be the same dimensions
- ▶ MATLAB does an elementwise comparison
- ▶ Result is an array that has same dimensions as other two but only contains 1's and 0's

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When comparing array to scalar

- ▶ MATLAB compares scalar to every member of array
- ▶ Result is an array that has same dimensions as original but only contains 1's and 0's

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Example

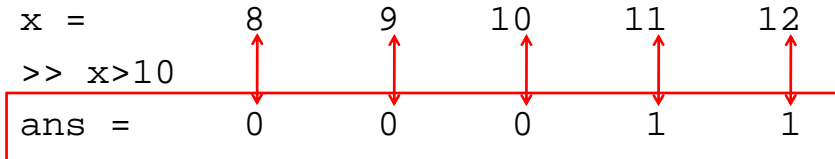
```
>> x=8:12
x =      8      9     10     11     12
>> x>10
ans =     0     0     0     1     1
>> x==11
ans =     0     0     0     1     0
>> x>=7
ans =     1     1     1     1     1
```

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It helps to picture in your mind that the result of a logical comparison

1. Is a vector
2. Has a 0 or 1 corresponding to each original element

```
>> x=8:12
x =      8      9     10     11     12
>> x>10
ans =     0     0     0     1     1
```



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If results of relational comparison stored in a vector, can easily find the number of elements that satisfy that comparison, i.e., that are true, by using `sum` command, which returns sum of vector elements

- ▶ Works because elements that are true have value of one and false elements have value zero

EXAMPLE

How many of the numbers from 1-20 are prime?

- ▶ Use MATLAB `isprime` command, which returns true (1) if number is prime and false (0) if it isn't

```
>> numbers = 1:20;  
>> sum( isprime(numbers) )  
ans =  
      8
```



Can mix relational and arithmetic operations in one expression

- ▶ Arithmetic operations follow usual precedence and always have higher precedence than relational operations
- ▶ Relational operations all have equal precedence and evaluated left to right

```
>> 3+4<16/2
ans =
    1
```

+ and / are executed first.
The answer is 1 since 7 < 8 is true.

```
>> 3+(4<16)/2
ans =
    3.5000
```

4 < 16 is executed first, and is equal to 1, since it is true.
3.5 is obtained from 3 + 1/2.

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Pay attention to the order of operations

$$y = (6 < 10) + (7 > 8) + (5 * 3 == 60 / 4)$$

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A *logical vector* or *logical array* is a vector/array that has only logical 1's and 0's

- ▶ 1's and 0's from mathematical operations don't count
- ▶ 1's and 0's from relational comparisons do work
- ▶ First time a logical vector/array used in arithmetic, MATLAB changes it to a numerical vector/array

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Can use logical vector to get actual values that satisfy relation, not just whether or not relation satisfied. Doing this is called *logical indexing* or *logical subscripting*

- ▶ Do this by using logical vector as index in vector of values. Result is values that satisfy relation, i.e., values for which relationship are 1
- ▶ NOTE – technique doesn't quite work with arrays. Won't discuss that case further

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EXAMPLE

What are the numbers from 1-10 that are multiples of 3?

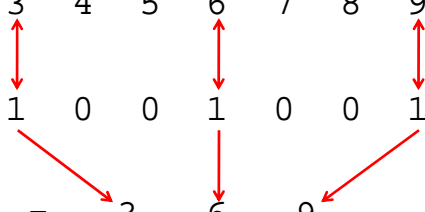
```
>> numbers = 1:10
numbers    = 1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10
>> multiples = rem( numbers, 3 ) == 0
multiples  = 0  0  1  0  0  1  0  0  1  0
>> multiplesOf3 = numbers(multiples)
multiplesOf3 =
      3  6  9
```

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Example

Think of `numbers(multiples)` as pulling out of `numbers` all elements that have a 1 in the corresponding element of `multiples`

```
numbers    = 1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10
multiples  = 0  0  1  0  0  1  0  0  1  0
numbers(multiples) = 3  6  9
```



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EXAMPLE

What are the prime numbers from 1-20?

```
>> numbers = 1:20;  
>> numbers( isprime(numbers) )  
ans =  
     2     3     5     7    11    13    17    19
```

Logical indexing is particularly useful when used with logical operators, discussed next



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Logical operators:

Boolean logic is a system for combining expressions that are either true or false.

- ▶ MATLAB has operators and commands to do many Boolean operations
- ▶ Boolean operations in combination with relational commands let you perform certain types of computations clearly and efficiently



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A *truth table* defines the laws of Boolean logic. It gives the output of a logical operation for every possible combination of inputs. The truth table relevant to MATLAB is

INPUT		OUTPUT				
A	B	AND A&B	OR A B	XOR (A,B)	NOT ~A	NOT ~B
false	false	false	false	false	true	true
false	true	false	true	true	true	false
true	false	false	true	true	false	true
true	true	true	true	false	false	false

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In words, the truth table says

- ▶ AND is true if both inputs are true, otherwise it is false
- ▶ OR is true if at least one input is true, otherwise it is false
- ▶ XOR (exclusive OR) is true if exactly one input is true, otherwise it is false
- ▶ NOT is true if the input is false, otherwise it is false

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An arithmetic operator, e.g., + or -, is a symbol that causes MATLAB to perform an arithmetical operation using the numbers or expressions on either side of the symbol

Similarly, a *logical operator* is a character that makes MATLAB perform a logical operation on one or two numbers or expressions



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MATLAB has three logical operators: &, |, ~

- ▶ a & b does the logical AND operation on a and b
- ▶ a | b does the logical OR operation on a or b
- ▶ ~a does the logical NOT operation on a
- ▶ Arguments to all logical operators are numbers
 - ▶ Zero is "false"
 - ▶ Any non-zero number is "true"
- ▶ Result (output) of logical operator is a logical one (true) or zero (false)



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When using logical operator on arrays

- ▶ They must be the same dimensions
- ▶ MATLAB does an element-wise evaluation of operator
- ▶ Result is an array that has same dimensions as other two but only contains 1's and 0's

(not only operates on one array so the first point is irrelevant)



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When operating with array and scalar

- ▶ MATLAB does element-wise operation on each array element with scalar
- ▶ Result is an array that has same dimensions as original but only contains 1's and 0's



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Can combine arithmetic, relational operators, and logical operators.
Order of precedence is

<u>Precedence</u>	<u>Operation</u>
1 (highest)	Parentheses (if nested parentheses exist, inner ones have precedence)
2	Exponentiation
3	Logical NOT (~)
4	Multiplication, division
5	Addition, subtraction
6	Relational operators (>, <, >=, <=, ==, ~=)
7	Logical AND (&)
8 (lowest)	Logical OR ()

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Logical Operations (Boolean Functions)

Individual elements are

- true – 1
- false – 0

Inputs		and	or	xor	not
A	B	A&B	A B	xor(A,B)	~A
0	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	0	0

<u>&</u>	Find logical AND
<u>~</u>	Find logical NOT
<u> </u>	Find logical OR
<u>xor</u>	Find logical exclusive-OR
<u>all</u>	Determine if all array elements are nonzero or true
<u>any</u>	Determine if any array elements are nonzero
<u>false</u>	Logical 0 (false)
<u>find</u>	Find indices and values of nonzero elements
<u>islogical</u>	Determine if input is logical array
<u>logical</u>	Convert numeric values to logicals
<u>true</u>	Logical 1 (true)

► <https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/logical-operations.html>

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EXAMPLE

Child – 12 or less years

Teenager – more than 12 and less than 20 years

Adult – 20 or more years

```
>> age=[45 47 15 13 11]
```

```
age = 45      47      15      13      11
```



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EXAMPLE

Who is a teenager?

```
>> age=[45 47 15 13 11];
```

```
>> age>=13
```

```
ans =      1      1      1      1      0
```

```
>> age<=19
```

```
ans =      0      0      1      1      1
```

```
>> age>=13 & age<=19
```

```
ans =      0      0      1      1      0
```



*These mark the two
teenagers*



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EXAMPLE

```
>> age=[45 47 15 13 11]
age = 45    47    15    13    11
```

Who is not a teenager?

```
>> ~(age>=13 & age<=19)
ans = 1    1    0    0    1
```

Who is an adult or a child?

```
>> age>19 | age<13
ans = 1    1    0    0    1
```

Built-in logical functions:

MATLAB has some built-in functions or commands for doing logical operations and related calculations. Three are equivalent to the logical operators

- ▶ `and(A,B)` – same as `A&B`
- ▶ `or(A,B)` – same as `A|B`
- ▶ `not(A)` – same as `~A`

MATLAB also has
other Boolean
functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>xor(a,b)</code>	Exclusive or. Returns true (1) if one operand is true and the other is false.	<pre>>> xor(7,0) ans = 1 >> xor(7,-5) ans = 0</pre>
<code>all(A)</code>	Returns 1 (true) if all elements in a vector A are true (nonzero). Returns 0 (false) if one or more elements are false (zero). If A is a matrix, treats columns of A as vectors, and returns a vector with 1s and 0s.	<pre>>> A=[6 2 15 9 7 11]; >> all(A) ans = 1 >> B=[6 2 15 9 0 11]; >> all(B) ans = 0</pre>
<code>any(A)</code>	Returns 1 (true) if any element in a vector A is true (nonzero). Returns 0 (false) if all elements are false (zero). If A is a matrix, treats columns of A as vectors, and returns a vector with 1s and 0s.	<pre>>> A=[6 0 15 0 0 11]; >> any(A) ans = 1 >> B=[0 0 0 0 0 0]; >> any(B) ans = 0</pre>
<code>find(A)</code> <code>find(A>d)</code>	If A is a vector, returns the indices of the nonzero elements. If A is a vector, returns the address of the elements that are larger than d (any relational operator can be used).	<pre>>> A=[0 9 4 3 7 0 0 1 0]; >> find(A) ans = 2 3 4 5 8 9 >> find(A>4) ans = 2 5 9</pre>

Matlab Control structures

► Deciding between alternatives

- **if** statement
- **switch** statement

► Repeating

- **while** loops
- **for** loops