

If, elseif, else

❑ Execute the statements if certain condition is true

❖ Syntax:

```
if expression  
statements  
elseif expression  
statements  
else  
statements  
end
```

- ✓ The elseif and else blocks are optional.
- ✓ The statements execute only if previous expressions in the if...end block are false.
- ✓ An if block can include multiple elseif blocks
- ✓ You can nest any number of if statements. Each if statement requires an end keyword.
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Tips

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Let see some worked out examples...

Switch, case, otherwise

❑ Execute one of several group of statements

❖ Syntax:

```
switch switch_expression  
  case case_expression  
    statements  
  case case_expression  
    statements  
  ...  
  otherwise  
    statements  
end
```

The switch block tests each case until one of the case expressions is true. A case is true when:

- ✓ For numbers, `case_expression == switch_expression`.
- ✓ For character vectors,
`strcmp(case_expression, switch_expression) == 1`.
- ✓ For objects that support the `eq` function, `case_expression == switch_expression`. The output of the overloaded `eq` function must be either a logical value or convertible to a logical value
- ✓ For a cell array `case_expression`, at least one of the elements of the cell array matches `switch_expression`, as defined above for numbers, character vectors, and objects.

Tips

- ❑ A case_expression cannot include relational operators such as <, or > for comparison against the switch_expression. To test for inequality, use if, elseif, else statements.
- ❑ The MATLAB switch statement does not fall through like a C language switch statement. If the first case statement is true, MATLAB does not execute the other case statements. For example:

```
result = 52;
```

```
switch(result)
    case 52
        disp('result is 52')
    case {52, 78}
        disp('result is 52 or 78')
end
```

```
>> switch_example
result is 52
```

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For

□ Perform iterative tasks for specified number of times

❖ Syntax:

for index = values
statements
end

for *index = values, statements*, end executes a group of statements in a loop for a specified number of times. *values* has one of the following forms:

- ✓ *initVal:endVal* — Increment the index variable from *initVal* to *endVal* by 1, and repeat execution of statements until index is greater than *endVal*.
- ✓ *initVal:step:endVal* — Increment index by the value *step* on each iteration, or decrements index when *step* is negative.
- ✓ *valArray* — Create a column vector, *index*, from subsequent columns of array *valArray* on each iteration. For example, on the first iteration, *index = valArray(:,1)*. The loop executes a maximum of *n* times, where *n* is the number of columns of *valArray*, given by `numel(valArray(1,:))`

Tips

- ❑ To programmatically exit the loop, use a break statement. To skip the rest of the instructions in the loop and begin the next iteration, use a continue statement
- ❑ Avoid assigning a value to the index variable within the loop statements. The for statement overrides any changes made to index within the loop
- ❑ To iterate over the values of a single column vector, first transpose it to create a row vector.

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While

□ While loop to repeat when condition is true

❖ Syntax:

while expression
statements
end

- ✓ while expression, statements, end evaluates an expression, and repeats the execution of a group of statements in a loop while the expression is true.
- ✓ An expression is true when its result is nonempty and contains only nonzero elements (logical or real numeric). Otherwise, the expression is false.

Tips

- ❑ If you inadvertently create an infinite loop (that is, a loop that never ends on its own), stop execution of the loop by pressing Ctrl +C
- ❑ If the conditional expression evaluates to a matrix, MATLAB evaluates the statements only if all elements in the matrix are true (nonzero). To execute statements if any element is true, wrap the expression in the any function.
- ❑ To programmatically exit the loop, use a break statement. To skip the rest of the instructions in the loop and begin the next iteration, use a continue statement.
- ❑ When nesting a number of while statements, each while statement requires an end keyword
- ❑ The MATLAB while loop is similar to a do...while loop in other programming languages, such as C and C++. However, while evaluates the conditional expression at the beginning of the loop rather than the end.

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Try, catch

❑ Execute statements and catch resulting errors

❖ Syntax:

try
statements
catch exception
statements
end

- ✓ *try statements, catch statements* end executes the statements in the try block and catches resulting errors in the catch block.
- ✓ This approach allows you to override the default error behavior for a set of program statements.
- ✓ If any statement in a try block generates an error, program control goes immediately to the catch block, which contains your error handling statements

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Pause

□ Stop MATLAB execution temporarily

❖ Syntax:

Pause

Pause(n)

Puse('off')

pause('query')

Pause('on')

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Thanks for your kind attention...