



MATLAB

Other Data Structures & Sorting

Week 8

Loosely follows Chapter 10





Other Data Structures



Structures

- Up to now we've seen arrays of one element type
 - All numbers
 - All characters
- A **Structure** allows you to store multiple data types in various **fields**
- Think of a structure like an object, objects have properties
- Structures are also known as **Structs**
- Even though a struct is *like* an object, this is not Object Oriented Programming

Student Structure

- Structure name: student
- Structure fields:
 - name = 'John Doe'
 - id = 'jd001'
 - grades = [95, 87, 91]

```
student.name = 'John Doe';  
student.id = 'jd001';  
student.grades = [95, 87, 91];
```

Structure Output

- Viewing a structure's contents is the same as any variable

`student`

`student =`

`struct with fields:`

`name: 'John Doe'`

`id: 'jd001'`

`grades: [95 87 91]`

Structures as Arrays

- We can easily create an array of structures
- Think of structures as arrays where each element has properties

```
student(2).name = 'Jane Doe';  
student(2).id = 'jd002';  
student(2).grades = [84, 81, 77];
```

student

student =

1×2 struct array with fields:

name
id
grades

Cell Arrays

- A cell is the most general data object in MATLAB
- A cell is like a “data container”
- Cells can hold any data type
 - Numbers
 - Characters
 - Even arrays

Cell Indexing

```
c(1, 1) = {rand(3)};  
c(1, 2) = {char('Bologna', 'Salami')};  
c(2, 1) = {13};  
c(2, 2) = {student};
```

c

c =

2×2 cell array

| | |
|--------------------|--------------|
| {3×3 double} | {2×7 char } |
| {[13]} | {1×2 struct} |

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c{1, 2} = char('Bologna', 'Salami');  
c{2, 1} = 13;  
c{2, 2} = student;
```

c

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2×2 cell array

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Creating Cell Arrays

- Cell arrays can be created in one line like regular arrays

```
c = { rand(3), char('Bologna', 'Salami'); 13, student }
```

```
c =
```

2×2 cell array

```
{3×3 double} {2×7 char }  
{[          13]} {1×2 struct}
```

Creating Cell Arrays

- The `cell` function allows you to preallocate empty cell arrays

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

```
a =
```

3×2 cell array

| | |
|--------------|--------------|
| {0×0 double} | {0×0 double} |
| {0×0 double} | {0×0 double} |
| {0×0 double} | {0×0 double} |

Accessing Cell Data

- Remember to use curly braces on the cell array if you want the data
- Recall that `c{1,1}` is a `rand(3)`.

`c(1,1)`

`ans =`

1×1 cell array

{3×3 double}

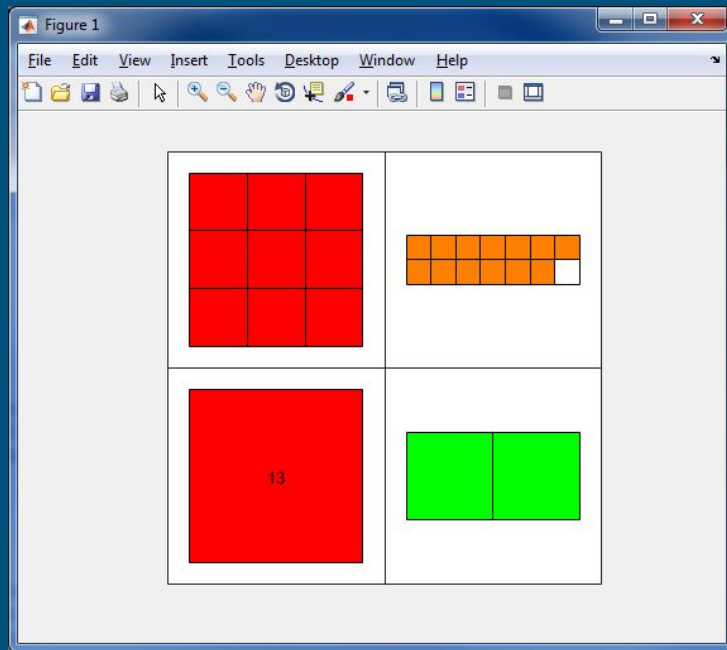
`c{1, 1}`

`ans =`

| | | |
|--------|--------|--------|
| 0.7922 | 0.0357 | 0.6787 |
| 0.9595 | 0.8491 | 0.7577 |
| 0.6557 | 0.9340 | 0.7431 |

Visualizing Cell Data

- `celldisp()` recurses through the array (by column) displaying each cell's contents.
- `cellplot()` shows a graphical representation
 - Shows empty content
 - Shows data types by color



Key Takeaways

- Structs
 - Arrays where elements have properties
- Cell Arrays
 - Use `c{x, y}` to get raw contents
 - Use `c(x, y)` to get cell object
 - Create cell arrays like normal arrays `{ r1c1, r1c2; r2c1, r2c2 }`
 - Preallocate with `cell()` or by assigning `= []`
 - Visualize with `dispcell` or `plotcell`



Sorting



Sorting

- Many different sorting algorithms

| Array Sorting Algorithms | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Algorithm | Time Complexity | | | Space Complexity |
| | Best | Average | Worst | Worst |
| Quicksort | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(\log(n))$ |
| Mergesort | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n)$ |
| Timsort | $O(n)$ | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n)$ |
| Heapsort | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(n \log(n))$ | $O(1)$ |
| Bubble Sort | $O(n)$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(1)$ |
| Insertion Sort | $O(n)$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(1)$ |
| Selection Sort | $O(n^2)$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(1)$ |
| Shell Sort | $O(n)$ | $O((n \log(n))^2)$ | $O((n \log(n))^2)$ | $O(1)$ |
| Bucket Sort | $O(n+k)$ | $O(n+k)$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(n)$ |
| Radix Sort | $O(nk)$ | $O(nk)$ | $O(nk)$ | $O(n+k)$ |

Bubble Sort

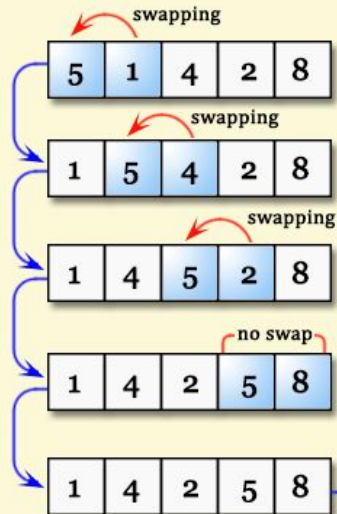
- Gets its name from the method of sorting
- Large values, like large bubbles, rise to the top faster
- While last iteration experienced a swap
 - swapOccurred = false
 - For each element n in an array up to length - 1
 - If element $n > n + 1$
 - Swap n and $n+1$
 - swapOccurred = true

Bubble Sort Example

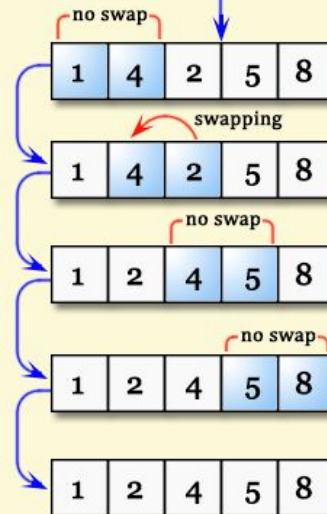
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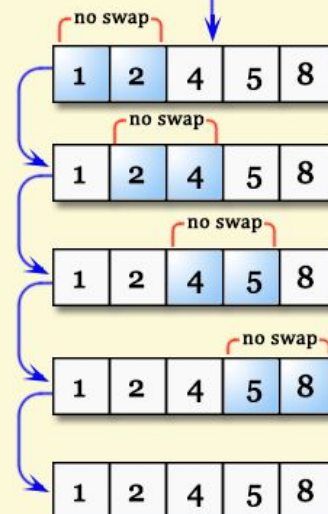
First Pass



Second Pass



Third Pass



MATLAB *sort*

- MATLAB offers the `sort` function for sorting arrays
- Arrays may be sorted by row or column
 - `sort(A, 1);` % Sorts elements of each column
 - `sort(A, 2);` % Sorts elements of each row
- Arrays may be sorted in descending or ascending order
 - `sort(A, 'ascend');` % Sorts elements of each column in ascending order
 - `sort(A, 'descend');` % Sorts elements of each column in descending order
- Sorting Explicitly with `sort(matrix, dim, direction)`
 - `sort(A, 2, 'ascend');` % Sorts elements of each row in ascending order