

Introduction to Matlab

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```
clear variables % clean all variables
close all      % close all windows
clc           % clear the "command Window"
```

1 - Global presentation

- Matlab
- Simulink

```
% simulink
```

- Applications (Apps)
- Matlab Help

```
help % or select a function and then F1
```

New to MATLAB? See resources for Getting Started.

To view the documentation, open the Help browser.

- Matlab central : <https://fr.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/>
- Getting Started : <https://fr.mathworks.com/videos.html>

2 - The basics of programming

Vectors, matrices, structures, cells

- Variables

```
a = 2
b = 3; % the ; remove the display of the performed operation
c = "bleu"
```

Variable names should have a signification and not be too long. Exemple : programmedTrajectory => cmdTraj

- Vectors

```
x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] % The "," are not necessary for a line vector
```

```
x = 1x5
     1     2     3     4     5
```

```
y = [6; 7; 8; 9; 10]
```

```
y = 5x1
     6
     7
     8
     9
    10
```

- struc

```
s.x = [1, 2, 3];
s.y = [4, 5, 6];
s.t = "t"
```

```
s = struct with fields:
    x: [1 2 3]
    y: [4 5 6]
    t: "t"
```

```
s % display the content of the variable "s"
```

```
s = struct with fields:
    x: [1 2 3]
    y: [4 5 6]
    t: "t"
```

- cells

```
C = {"A", "réponse", "10"; ...  
     "B", "Question", 20}
```

```
C = 2x3 cell
```

	1	2	3
1	"A"	"réponse"	"10"
2	"B"	"Question"	20

- matrices

```
M = [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; ... % line breaks are not required  
      6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11; ... % but they improve readability  
      12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17]
```

```
M = 3x6
```

```
 1   2   3   4   5   6  
 6   7   8   9  10  11  
12  13  14  15  16  17
```

Go to the workspace to fully understand the nature of these different elements.

Handling of the various classes

- Retrieve an element

```
M(3,2) % (row, column)
```

```
ans = 13
```

```
M(3,end) % "end" for the last element
```

```
ans = 17
```

```
s.y(1)
```

```
ans = 4
```

- Operator ":"

```
v = 0:9 % can also be written v = 0:9 (by default interval is 1)
```

```
v = 1x10
```

```
 0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9
```

```
w = 0:2:9 % be careful about what happens at the end
```

```
w = 1x5
```

0 2 4 6 8

- Retrieve multiple elements

```
M(1,1:4)
```

```
ans = 1x4
      1      2      3      4
```

```
M(:,end)
```

```
ans = 3x1
      6
     11
     17
```

```
M(2,2:5)
```

```
ans = 1x4
      7      8      9     10
```

- To go further : <https://fr.mathworks.com/company/newsletters/articles/matrix-indexing-in-matlab.html>

Logic operators

```
clear variables
```

```
M = [ 1,  2,  3,  4,  5,  6; ...
      6,  7,  8,  9, 10, 11; ...
      12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17]
```

```
M = 3x6
      1      2      3      4      5      6
      6      7      8      9     10     11
     12     13     14     15     16     17
```

- greater or equal `>=` / less or equal `<=`

```
Ms = (M>=8)
```

```
Ms = 3x6 logical array
      0      0      0      0      0      0
      0      0      1      1      1      1
      1      1      1      1      1      1
```

```
Mi = (M<3)
```

```
Mi = 3x6 logical array
      1      1      0      0      0      0
      0      0      0      0      0      0
      0      0      0      0      0      0
```

- and &

```
Me = (~Ms & ~Mi)
```

```
Me = 3x6 logical array
    0    0    1    1    1    1
    1    1    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0
```

- Or |

```
Mo = (Ms | Mi)
```

```
Mo = 3x6 logical array
    1    1    0    0    0    0
    0    0    1    1    1    1
    1    1    1    1    1    1
```

- Not a Number ~ or not()

```
M(3,4) = NaN
```

```
M = 3x6
     1     2     3     4     5     6
     6     7     8     9    10    11
    12    13    14    NaN    16    17
```

```
isnan(M)
```

```
ans = 3x6 logical array
    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    1    0    0
```

```
~any(isnan(M), 1)
```

```
ans = 1x6 logical array
     1     1     1     0     1     1
```

```
E= M(:, ~any(isnan(M), 1)) % remove the columns where there is a NaN
```

```
E = 3x5
     1     2     3     5     6
     6     7     8    10    11
    12    13    14    16    17
```

Algorithmic structure

- *if, while, for, switch* ...
- more advanced function : *parfor* ...

Scripts, functions, workspace

- Script : Scripts are simply files containing a sequence of MATLAB statements.
- functions : Functions make use of their own local variables and accept input arguments.
- Workspace : The workspace consists of the set of variables built up during a session of using the MATLAB software and stored in memory. You add variables to the workspace by using functions, running MATLAB code, and loading saved workspaces.

mode debug

Ctrl+C in command Window allows ending a task

3 - Some good practices to make a Matlab code

- **Read the matlabs-guidelines**
- Always ask yourself if the function already exists either in matlab or in the community.
- Beware of matlab warnings.

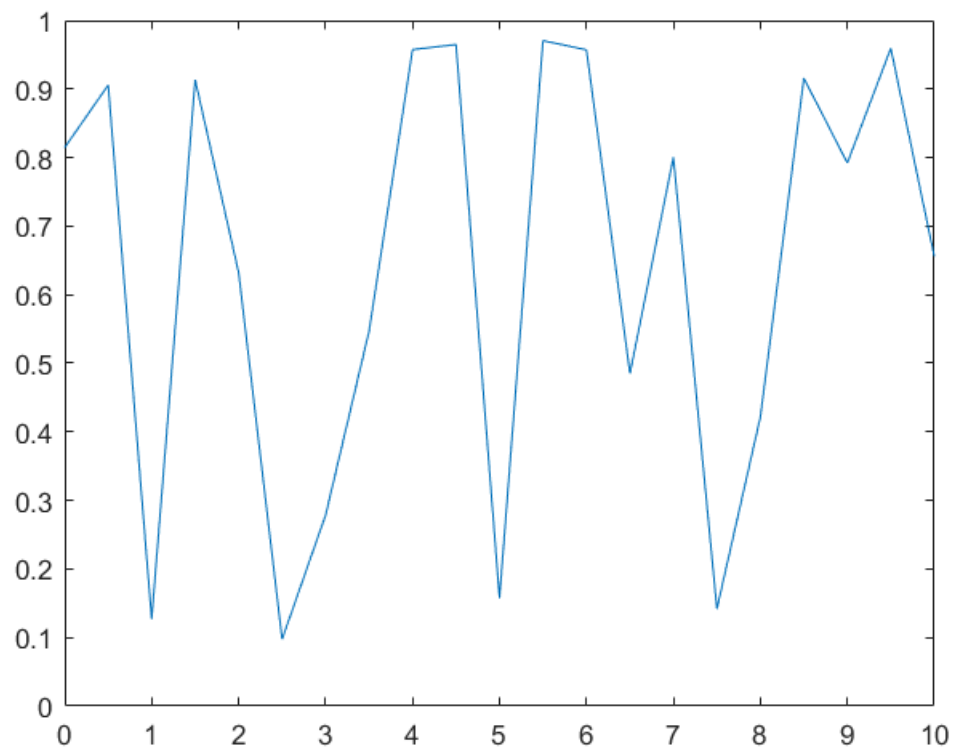
Interactive example n°1

```
open("example_1.mlx")
```

4 - Figure

Creation

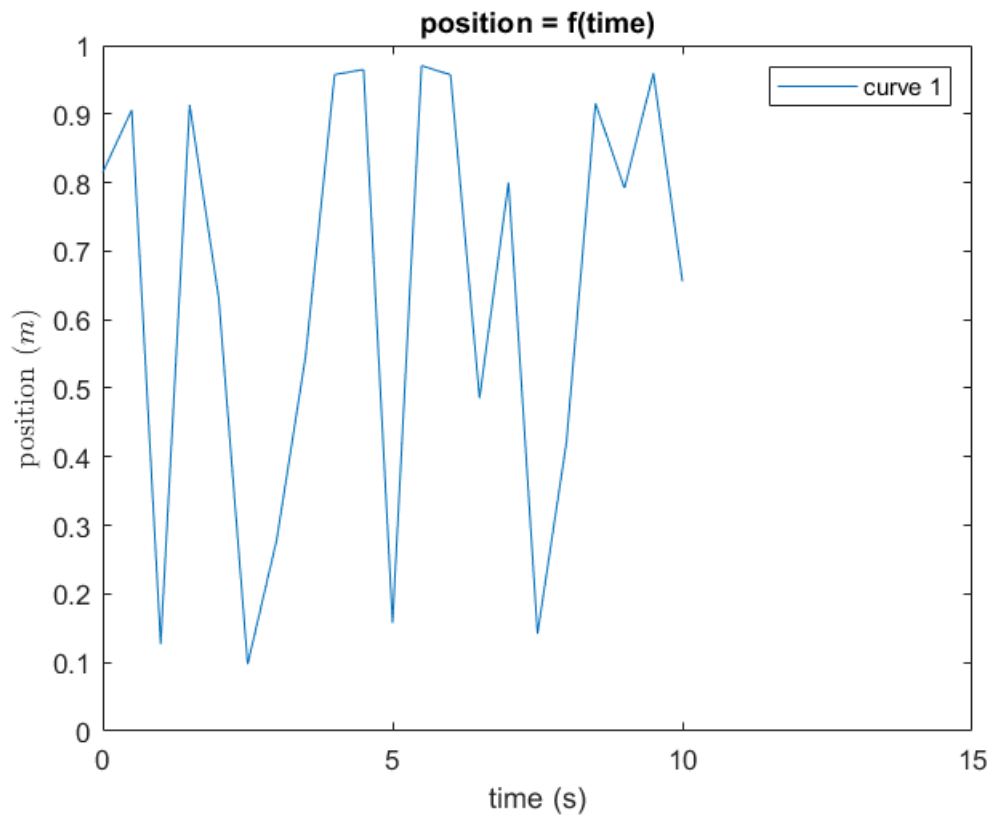
```
t = 0:0.5:10;  
x = rand(length(t),1);  
  
h = figure('Color',[1 1 1]);  
plot(t,x)
```



Other important functions : *hold on*

Formatting

```
title('position = f(time)');  
  
xlabel('time (s)')  
ylabel('position ($m$)', 'Interpreter', "latex")  
  
xlim([0 15])  
ylim([0 1])  
  
legend('curve 1')
```



possible modification with the mouse

automatic code generation

Publication

- Matlab tools

```
% doesn't work on live editor
%saveas(h,'1_figure_test.png')
%saveas(h,'1_figure_test.pdf')

open('figureMatlab.m')
```

- package : *export_fig*

https://fr.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/23629-export_fig

Download

Unzip

Place in the desired location

add to path : explanation

install ghostscript

<https://www.ghostscript.com/download/gsdnld.html>

```
% doesn't work on live editor  
%export_fig 2_figure_test -pdf
```

Various functions

- *plot3*, *surface*, *colorbar*,
- *subplot*

AppDesigner

- Tools for creating graphical user interfaces

```
appdesigner
```

5 - Exercises done in class

```
clear variables
```

Exercise n°1

- Create a function that takes as input the trajectory and returns a vector containing the distance between each point.

The trajectory is represented as a list of points with coordinates in columns.

```
Traj = [0 2 3 5 7 8 5 1 2; ... % coordonnée x  
        0 5 6 4 5 7 8 9 1; ... % coordonnée y  
        0 1 5 6 8 4 5 6 2];    % coordonnée z
```

- Plotting the curvilinear abscissa as a function of time

```
t = [0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8];    % vecteur temps
```

Definition of the curvilinear abscissa: length of an arc from its origin.

function that can be used in exercise n°1 : diff, sum, cumsum, sqrt, plot,

To go further :

- add verification of the input parameter

Exercise n°2

- Write a function that takes as input a vector of 6 components #1,#2 ... #6 and two variables a and v and outputs the following string : "movej(p[#1,#2,#3,#4,#5,#6],a,v)"

Example :

Inputs

```
a = 1.5;
v = 2;
po = [1, 2, 1, 3, 1, 4];
```

Output

```
"movej(p[1, 2, 1, 3, 1, 4], 1.5, 2)"
```

```
ans =
"movej(p[1, 2, 1, 3, 1, 4], 1.5, 2)"
```

- Add in the previous function a check of the input dimensions and return an error message if their dimensions are wrong.

function that can be used in exercise n°2 : num2str, size, warning, disp, isnumeric, varargin

References

- https://www.gipsa-lab.grenoble-inp.fr/~coriandre.vilain/mes_documents/Cours/Formation_Matlab_GIPSA_2013.pdf
- <https://homepages.laas.fr/yariba/enseignement/slides-matlab.pdf>

Example of well-written code :

- https://fr.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/34869-distance2curve?s_tid=prof_contriblnk
- https://fr.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/34874-interparc?s_tid=prof_contriblnk
- https://fr.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/34871-arclength?s_tid=prof_contriblnk