

# Module 06: Operators

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## Module 6: Learning Outcomes

- Describe vectorization coding in MATLAB
- Apply numeric, relational, and logical operators to the combinations of scalar, vector, and matrix
- Redesign loop-based scripts using vectorization
- Solve problems using operators

# Vectorization

- MATLAB® is optimized for operations involving matrices and vectors. The process of revising loop-based, scalar-oriented code to use MATLAB matrix and vector operations is called vectorization.
- Vectorizing your code is worthwhile for several reasons:
  - Appearance: Making the code easier to understand.
  - Less error prone: **Without loops, vectorized code is often shorter. Fewer lines of code mean fewer opportunities to introduce programming errors.**
  - Performance: Vectorized code often runs much faster than the corresponding code containing loops (in MATLAB).

: For example, instead of looping through all elements in a vector `vec` to add 3 to each element, just use scalar addition: `vec = vec + 3;`

# MATLAB Operator

Symbol	Role
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division
^	Matrix power
./	Element-wise right division
.*	Element-wise multiplication
.^	Element-wise power
'	Transpose

Symbol	Role
==	Equal to
~=	Not equal to
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to
&&	Logical AND (scalar logical)
	Logical OR (scalar logical)
~	Logical NOT
&	Logical AND (array)
	Logical OR (array)

# MATLAB Operator: Arithmetic

```
s1 = 10; % scalar value
```

```
s2 = 2; % scalar value
```

```
v1 = [1 2 3 4]; % vector
```

```
m1 = [1 2; 3 4]; % matrix
```

```
m2 = [5 6; 7 8]; % matrix
```

10
----

s1

2
---

s2

1	2
3	4

m1

5	6
7	8

m2

1	2	3	4
---	---	---	---

v1

Operator
+
-
*
/
^

Scalar ★ Scalar

Vector ★ Scalar

Matrix ★ Scalar

Vector ★ Vector

Vector ★ Matrix

Matrix ★ Matrix

★: Operator

s1 + s2

s1 \* s2

s1 / s2

s1 ^ s2

s1 + v1

v1 - s2

v1 \* s1

v1 / s2

m1 \* s1

m1 / s1

m1 + s1

v1 ^ s2

m1 ^ s2

12

20

5

100

[11 12 13 14]

[-1 0 1 2]

[10 20 30 40]

[0.5 1 1.5 2]

[10 20; 30 40]

[0.1 0.2; 0.3 0.4]

[11 12; 13 14]

*error*

[7 10; 15 22]

# MATLAB Operator: Arithmetic (Continue)

```
v1 = [1 2]; % vector
v2 = [1; 0]; % vector
```

```
m1 = [1 2; 3 4]; % matrix
m2 = [1 0; 0 1]; % matrix
```

1	2
3	4

m1

1	0
0	1

m2

1	2
---	---

v1

1
0

v2

Operator

+

-

\*

/

^

Scalar ★ Scalar

Vector ★ Scalar

Matrix ★ Scalar

Vector ★ Vector

Vector ★ Matrix

Matrix ★ Matrix

★: Operator

v1 \* v2  
v2 \* v1

m1 \* v1  
m1 \* v2  
v1 \* m1  
v2 \* m1

m1 + m2  
m1 \* m2  
m1 \* m1  
m1^2

m2 / m1  
m2 \* inv(m1)

1  
[1 2; 0 0]

error  
[1; 3]  
[7 10]  
error

[2 2; 3 5]  
[1 2; 3 4]  
[7 10; 15 22]  
[7 10; 15 22]

[-2 1; 1.5 -0.5]  
[-2 1; 1.5 -0.5]

# MATLAB Operator (Element-wise Operation)

```
s1 = 2; % scalar
v1 = [1 2]; % vector
v2 = [2; 1]; % vector
```

```
m1 = [1 2; 3 4]; % matrix
m2 = [1 0; 0 1]; % matrix
```

1	2
3	4

m1

1	0
0	1

m2

1	2
---	---

v1

2
1

v2

Operator

+

-

\*

/

^

./

.\*

.^

\

Scalar ★ Scalar

Vector ★ Scalar

Matrix ★ Scalar

Vector ★ Vector

Vector ★ Matrix

Matrix ★ Matrix

★: Operator

```
v1 .* v1
v1 .* v2'
v1 ./ v2'
```


```
[1 4]
[2 2]
[0.5 2]
```

```
m1 .* m2
m2 ./ m1
```

```
[1 0; 0 4]
[1 0; 0 0.25]
```

```
m1 .^ s1
m1 ^ s1
```

```
[1 4; 9 16]
[7 10; 15 22]
```

: m1 ^ s1 is a matrix power that compute m1 to s1 power. m1 .^ s1 is element-wise operation of s1 power

# MATLAB Operator: Relational

Challenging

```
s1 = 1; % scalar value  
s2 = 2; % scalar value  
  
v1 = [1 2 3 4]; % vector  
v2 = [1 0 1 4]; % vector
```

s1

1

v1

1

2

3

4

s2

2

v2

1

0

1

4

Symbol	Role
==	Equal to
~=	Not equal to
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to

s1 == s2

s1 < s2

v1 == s1

v1 <= s2

v1 ~= s2

v1 == v2

v1 >= v2

v1 < v2

0

1

[1 0 0 0]

[1 1 0 0]

[1 0 1 1]

[1 0 0 1]

[1 1 1 1]

[0 0 0 0]



# MATLAB Operator: Relational (Continue)

Challenging

```
s1 = 1; % scalar value  
s2 = 2; % scalar value
```

```
m1 = [1 2; 3 4]; % matrix  
m2 = [1 0; 5 4]; % matrix
```

s1

1

s2

2

1	2
3	4

m1

1	0
5	4

m2

Symbol	Role
==	Equal to
~=	Not equal to
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to

m1 == s1

[1 0;0 0]

m1 ~= s2

[1 0;1 1]

m1 == m2

[1 0;0 1]

m1 ~= m2

[0 1;1 0]

m1 >= m2

[1 1;0 1]

# MATLAB Operator: Logical

## Challenging

```
s1 = 1; s0 = 0;  
v1 = [1 0]; v2 = [0 0];  
  
m1 = [1 1; 0 0];  
m2 = [1 0; 0 1];
```

Symbol	Role
&&	Logical AND (scalar logical)
	Logical OR (scalar logical)
~	Logical NOT
&	Logical AND (array)
	Logical OR (array)

1	1
0	0

m1

1	0
0	1

m2

v1

1	0
---	---

v2

0	0
---	---

```
s1 && s1  
s2 && s2  
s1 || s2
```

```
~ s1  
~ s2
```

```
v2 | v1  
v2 & v1
```

```
m1 | m2  
m1 & m2
```

1

0

1

0


1

[1 0]

[0 0]

[1 1; 0 1]

[1 0; 0 0]

: || and && are used for scalars. For vectors or matrices, | and & are used to go through element-by-element and return logical 1 or 0.

## Example: Count Number



```
vec = [1 3 4 2 5 10 5 9 11];  
  
n_vec = numel(vec);  
  
num5 = 0;  
for ii=1:n_vec  
    test_num = vec(ii);  
    if test_num == 5  
        num5 = num5 + 1;  
    end  
end
```

```
vec = [1 3 4 2 5 10 5 9 11];  
  
idx = (vec == 5);  
num5 = sum(idx);
```

Q: Write a script to count the number of 5 in the given vector named 'vec'. The resulting count is assigned to 'num5'.

vec

1	3	4	2	5	10	5	9	11
---	---	---	---	---	----	---	---	----

idx

0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

num\_5

2

## Example: Bulls and Cows

Bulls and Cows is a mind game played by two players. In the game, a random, 4-digit number is chosen and its values are compared to those of another trial number. **All four digits of the number must be different.** If any digit in the chosen number is the exact same value and in the exact same position as any digit in the trial number, this is called a bull. If the digit is present in both the trial number and chosen number, but is not in the same location, this is called a cow.



## Example: Bulls and Cows



```
x_true = [1 2 3 4]; % true
x_test = [3 2 5 6]; % test

numb = 0; % number of Bull
for ii=1:4
    if x_true(ii) == x_test(ii)
        numb = numb + 1;
    end
end
```

x_true	1	2	3	4
x_test	3	2	5	6
is_same	0	1	0	0

Q: Write a script to compute “Bull” and assign its value to num\_b. The true and test sequence is in x\_true and x\_test, respectively .

```
x_true = [1 2 3 4]; % true
x_test = [3 2 5 6]; % test

is_same = (x_true == x_test);

numb = sum(is_same);
```

💡: Write these two lines as one line like  
num\_b = sum(x\_true == x\_test);

- Can use this to index into a vector or matrix (only if the index vector or matrix is the **logical** type)
- In logical indexing, you use a single, logical array for the matrix subscript.
- MATLAB extracts the matrix elements corresponding to the nonzero values of the logical array.

```
v1 = [4 1 3 5]; % vector  
lg_idx = logical([1 0 1 0]);  
v2 = v1(lg_idx);
```

⚠: I recommend to use the same size (the number of element) logical indexing vector.

v1

4	1	3	5
---	---	---	---

lg\_idx

1	0	1	0
---	---	---	---

v2

4	3
---	---



## Example: Logical Indexing

Q1: Find numbers more than or equal to 10 in `vec`

Q2: Find numbers not equal to 5 in `vec`

Q3: Find numbers larger than 3 and less than 7 in `vec`

```
1  vec = [1 3 4 2 5 10 2 9 11];
2
3  id1 = (vec >= 10);
4  vq1 = vec(id1);
5
6  id2 = (vec ~= 5);
7  vq2 = vec(id2);
8
9  id3 = (vec >3) & (vec<7);
10 vq3 = vec(id3);
```

☺: Here, all variables except for `vec` are a logical type. For lines 3,6,9, `()` helps readability of your code.

`vec`

1	3	4	2	5	10	2	9	11
---	---	---	---	---	----	---	---	----

`id1`

0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

`id2`

1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

`id3`

0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

`vq1`

10	11
----	----

`vq2`

1	3	4	2	10	2	9	11
---	---	---	---	----	---	---	----

`vq3`

4	5
---	---


## Example: Extracting All Odd Numbers



**Q.** Write the script that extracts all odd numbers in 'vec1' and assign a resulting vector to 'odd1'.

```
vec1 = [1 2 4 6 7 11 17 12 8];  
n_vec1 = numel(vec1);  
  
odd1 = [];  
for ii=1:n_vec1  
    t_num = vec1(ii);  
    if rem(t_num,2) == 1  
        odd1 = [odd1 t_num];  
    end  
end
```

```
vec1 = [1 2 4 6 7 11 17 12 8];  
  
vec1_rem = rem(vec1,2);  
  
logi_odd = (vec1_rem == 1);  
  
odd1 = vec1(logi_odd);
```

: Here, `vec1_rem` is a numeric vector (double type) and `logi_odd` is a logical vector.

vec1	1	2	4	6	7	11	17	12	8
l_rem	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
l_odd	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
odd1	1	7	11	17					



# Logical Indexing (Matrix)

## Challenging


```
A = [1 2 3; 4 5 6; 7 8 9];  
B = A;
```

```
ind_lg_3 = A > 3;
```

```
vec_lg_3 = A(ind_lg_3);
```

```
A(ind_lg_3) = 9;
```

```
A(~ind_lg_3) = 5;
```

 Here, the logical matrix `ind_lg_3` can be used to index the matrix. The logical matrix `ind_lg_3` is linearized before reading the elements (indexing).

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

A

0	0	0
1	1	1
1	1	1

ind\_lg\_3

4
7
5
8
6
9

vec\_lg\_3

1	1	1
0	0	0
0	0	0

~ind\_lg\_3

5	5	5
9	9	9
9	9	9

B

## Example: Transform a Matrix



- Write a script to convert matrix A to matrix B and C.

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

A



<b>8</b>	2	3
4	<b>8</b>	6
7	8	<b>8</b>

B

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

A



1	2	<b>8</b>
4	<b>8</b>	6
<b>8</b>	8	9

C

```
A = [1 2 3; 4 5 6; 7 8 9];
```

```
B = A;
```

```
for ii=1: 3
```

```
    B(ii,ii) = 8;
```

```
end
```

```
C = A;
```

```
for ii=1:3
```

```
    col_idx = (3-ii + 1);
```

```
    C(ii, col_idx) = 8;
```

```
end
```

## Example: Transform a Matrix (Continue)

```
A = [1 2 3; 4 5 6; 7 8 9];
```

```
B = A;
```

```
for ii=1: 3
```

```
    B(ii,ii) = 8;
```

```
end
```

```
C = A;
```

```
for ii=1:3
```

```
    col_idx = (3-ii + 1);
```

```
    C(ii, col_idx) = 8;
```

```
end
```

🤖: `flip(x, 2)` is identical to `fliplr(x)`.

```
A = [1 2 3; 4 5 6; 7 8 9];
```

```
B = A;
```

```
d_idx = logical(eye(3));
```

```
B(d_idx) = 8;
```

```
C = A;
```

```
inv_d_idx = flip(d_idx, 2);
```

```
C(inv_d_idx) = 8;
```

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

A

1	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	1

d\_idx

0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0

inv\_d\_idx

# Compatible Array Sizes for Operation

## Optional, Challenge

Operators and functions in MATLAB® support numeric arrays that have *compatible sizes*. Two inputs have compatible sizes if, for every dimension, the dimension sizes of the inputs are either the same or one of them is 1. MATLAB implicitly expands arrays with compatible sizes to be the same size during the execution of the element-wise operation or function.

```
s1 = 2;  
m1 = [1 2; 3 4];  
m2 = m1 * s1;  
m2 = m1 .* [s1 s1; s1 s1];
```

1	2
3	4

 \* 

2
---

 = 

2	4
6	8

1	2
3	4

 .\* 

2	2
2	2

 = 

2	4
6	8

Q. Does it work?

1	4
2	5
3	6

 + 

1
2
3

 = ?

## Compatible Array Sizes for Operation (Continue)

## Optional, Challenge

```
m1 = [1 2; 3 4; 5 6];  
v1 = [2; 3; 4];  
v2 = [1 2];
```

1	2
3	4
5	6

m1



2
3
4

v1

Implicit → v1

2	2
3	3
4	4

1	2
3	4
5	6

m1



1	2
---	---

v2

Implicit → v2

1	2
1	2
1	2

```
m1 + v1;  
m1 - v1;  
m1 .* v1;
```

```
[3 4; 6 7; 9 10]  
[-1 0; 0 1; 1 2]  
[2 4; 9 12; 20 24]
```

```
m1 + v2;  
m1 - v2;  
m1 .* v2;
```

```
[2 4; 4 6; 6 8]  
[0 0; 2 2; 4 4]  
[1 4; 3 8; 5 12]
```

```
m1 == v1;  
m1 == v2;
```

```
[0 1; 1 0; 0 0]  
[1 1; 0 0; 0 0]
```

```
m1 > v1  
m1 > v2
```

```
[0 0; 0 1; 1 1]  
[0 0; 1 1; 1 1]
```

```
m1 * v1;  
m1 * v2;
```

```
error  
error
```

MATLAB **implicitly** expands the vector to be the same size as the input matrix

# Logical Built-in Function

- **any** returns true if anything in the input argument is true
- **all** returns true only if everything in the input argument is true
- **find** finds locations and returns indices

```
i1 = [1 1 1 1 1];  
i2 = [0 0 0 0 0];  
i3 = [0 1 0 1 0];  
i4 = [0 0 0 1 0];
```

*i1, i2, i3, and i4* are logical vectors.

<code>all(i1)</code>	1
<code>all(i2)</code>	0
<code>all(i3)</code>	0
<code>any(i2)</code>	0
<code>any(i3)</code>	1
<code>any(i4)</code>	1
<code>all(and(i1, i3))</code>	0
<code>any(and(i3, i4))</code>	1
<code>find(i1)</code>	[1 2 3 4 5]
<code>find(i3)</code>	[2 4]



## Example: Logical Built-in Function

Q1: Check if there is a number more than or equal to 10 in vec

Q2: Check if there is a number equal to 6 in vec

Q3: Check if there is a number larger than 3 and less than 7 in vec

If Yes, assign `true` in each variable, `q1`, `q2`, and `q3`. Otherwise, assign `false`.

```
1  vec = [1 3 4 2 5 10 2 9 11];  
2  
3  id1 = (vec >= 10);  
4  id2 = (vec == 6);  
5  id3 = (vec >3) && (vec<7);  
6  
7  q1 = any(id1);  
8  q2 = any(id2);  
9  q3 = any(id3);
```

vec	1	3	4	2	5	10	2	9	11
-----	---	---	---	---	---	----	---	---	----

id1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
-----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

q1	1
----	---

id2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

q2	0
----	---

id3	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
-----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

q3	1
----	---

## Example: Bulls and Cows



Q: Write a script to compute “Cows” + “Bulls” and assign its value to `num_c`. In other word, you need to compute how many digits are present in both sequences. The true and test sequence is in `x_true` and `x_test`, respectively .

```
x_true = [1 2 3 4]; % true
x_test = [3 2 5 6]; % test

num_c = 0;
for ii=1:4
    for jj=1:4
        if x_true(ii) == x_test(jj)
            num_c = num_c + 1;
        end
    end
end
```

```
x_true = [1 2 3 4]; % true
x_test = [3 2 5 6]; % test

num_c = 0;
for ii=1:4
    if any(x_true == x_test(ii))
        num_c = num_c + 1;
    end
end
```



## Example: Logical Built-in Function



Q. Find id(s) of students whose scores are more than or equal to 80 and less than 90 in their midterm. Here, the indexes of a score vector is student ids.

```
mid_score = [71 82 85 76 91 100 82 83 65 51]';  
  
cond1 = mid_score >=80;  
cond2 = mid_score < 90;  
  
idx = and(cond1, cond2); % or cond1 & cond2  
st_id = find(idx);
```

mid_score	71	82	85	76	91	100	82	83	65	51
cond1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
cond2	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
idx	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
st_id	2	3	7	8						

## Example: For-loop and if vs Find vs Logical Indexing



Q. Change 1 to 5, 2 to 7, and the rest to 10 in the given vector named 'vec'

```
vec = [1 1 2 1 3 1 6 7 5];
```

```
n_vec = numel(vec);  
for ii=1:n_vec  
    if vec(ii) == 1  
        vec(ii) = 5;  
    elseif vec(ii) == 2  
        vec(ii) = 7;  
    else  
        vec(ii) = 10;  
    end  
end
```

```
vec = [1 1 2 1 3 1 6 7 5];
```

```
loc1 = find(vec==1);  
loc2 = find(vec==2);  
locr = find((vec~=1 & vec~=2));  
  
vec(loc1) = 5;  
vec(loc2) = 7;  
vec(locr) = 10;
```

```
vec = [1 1 2 1 3 1 6 7 5];
```

```
loc1 = (vec==1);  
loc2 = (vec==2);  
locr = ~(loc1 | loc2);  
  
vec(loc1) = 5;  
vec(loc2) = 7;  
vec(locr) = 10;
```