

Octave/Matlab Tutorial

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1.

Suppose I first execute the following in Octave/Matlab:

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

Which of the following are then valid commands? Check all that apply. (Hint: A' denotes the transpose of A.)

☐ $C = A' + B;$

☐ $C = B * A;$

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☐ $C = B' * A;$

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2.

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 2 & 3 & 13 \\ 5 & 11 & 10 & 8 \\ 9 & 7 & 6 & 12 \\ 4 & 14 & 15 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Which of the following indexing expressions gives $B = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 2 \\ 5 & 11 \\ 9 & 7 \\ 4 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$? Check all that apply.

- ☐ $B = A(:, 1:2);$
- ☐ $B = A(1:4, 1:2);$
- ☐ $B = A(:, 0:2);$
- ☐ $B = A(0:4, 0:2);$

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3.

Let A be a 10x10 matrix and x be a 10-element vector. Your friend wants to compute the product Ax and writes the following code:

```
1 v = zeros(10, 1);
2 for i = 1:10
3     for j = 1:10
4         v(i) = v(i) + A(i, j) * x(j);
5     end
6 end
```

How would you vectorize this code to run without any for loops? Check all that apply.

- ☐ $v = A * x;$
- ☐ $v = Ax;$
- ☐ $v = x' * A;$
- ☐ $v = \text{sum}(A * x);$

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4.

Say you have two column vectors v and w , each with 7 elements (i.e., they have dimensions 7×1). Consider the following code:

```
1  z = 0;  
2  for i = 1:7  
3      z = z + v(i) * w(i)  
4  end
```

Which of the following vectorizations correctly compute z ? Check all that apply.

☐ $z = \text{sum}(v .* w);$

☐ $z = v' * w;$

☐ $z = v * w';$

☐ $z = v .* w;$

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5.

In Octave/Matlab, many functions work on single numbers, vectors, and matrices. For example, the \sin function when applied to a matrix will return a new matrix with the \sin of each element. But you have to be careful, as certain functions have different behavior. Suppose you have an 7×7 matrix X . You want to compute the log of every element, the square of every element, add 1 to every element, and divide every element by 4. You will store the results in four matrices, A, B, C, D . One way to do so is the following code:

```
1  for i = 1:7  
2      for j = 1:7  
3          A(i, j) = log(X(i, j));  
4          B(i, j) = X(i, j) ^ 2;  
5          C(i, j) = X(i, j) + 1;  
6          D(i, j) = X(i, j) / 4;  
7      end  
8  end
```

Which of the following correctly compute A, B, C , or D ? Check all that apply.

☐ $C = X + 1;$

☐ $D = X / 4;$

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☐ $B = X \cdot X^T$;

☐ $B = X \cdot X^2$;



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