

# Mathematical Skills for Data Scientists

## Lab Exercises 2 – 3 Marks (Due: 17/10/22, 11 am )

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Once the scripts are ready, use `diary` to log what happens in your command window when you run them. Save the log in a `.txt` file. Submit the `.m` files and the log.

A Matlab script is stored in a `.m` file. Learn about them here: [https://uk.mathworks.com/help/matlab/learn\\_matlab/scripts.html](https://uk.mathworks.com/help/matlab/learn_matlab/scripts.html) When you write a script, terminate a line with a semicolon `;` to prevent the output being printed to the command window and cluttering everything. A function can also be stored in a `.m` file. Learn more here [https://uk.mathworks.com/help/matlab/matlab\\_prog/create-functions-in-files.html](https://uk.mathworks.com/help/matlab/matlab_prog/create-functions-in-files.html) See Introductory Matlab materials for further information.

**Exercise 1** (For loops). Write a Matlab script which uses a for loop to calculate the  $L^2$  norm of  $v = (3, 2, -1, -2)^t$ .

The script should begin with the line `v = [ 3; 2; -1; -2]` and then iterate over the entries of  $v$  to carry out the calculation. The correct answer is approximately 4.24.

Once this is working, amend your script to create a function `mynorm` which can calculate the norm of any vector of any length.

**Input:** `v`, a vector.

**Output:** `mynorm(v)`, the norm of `v`.

In the command window, use your function to calculate the norm of `w = [ 2; 9; -4; -6; 7; 0; 1]`.

**Exercise 2** (Linear dependence). Consider the equation  $Ax = v$  where

$$A := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, v := \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Try `x = A \ v`.

Now consider a matrix

$$H := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & h \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Write a script with a for loop that solves  $(A + H)x = v$ . Start with  $h = 1$  and divide  $h$  by 2 with each iteration of the loop. Run ten iterations. Calculate the norm of each solution vector  $x$  using `mynorm`.

**Input:** None – this is just a script, not a function.  $A$ ,  $H$  and  $v$  should be hard-coded.

**Output:** A vector containing the norms of each solution `x` from each iteration.

Run your script from the command window.