

Part A (Matlab Tutorial)

Exercise 5: let $p(t) = -1 + 3t - 2t^3$ -that is, p is a polynomial. Use Matlab to compute the value of p at each of the entries of x . The first entry of this matrix should be $p(7)$ since the first entry of x is 7. The last entry of this matrix should be $p(2)$ since 2 is the last entry of x

Solution:

```
x = [7 1 8 2]
```

```
x =
```

```
7      1      8      2
```

```
p = -1+3*x-2*x.^3
```

```
p =
```

```
-666      0 -1001     -11
```

Using the *polyval* function:

```
x = [7 1 8 2]
```

```
x =
```

```
7      1      8      2
```

```
p = [-2 0 3 -1]
```

```
p =
```

```
-2      0      3     -1
```

```
polyval(p,x)
```

```
ans =
```

```
-66      0 -1001     -11
```

Exercise 7: Plot the curves $y = Ce^x$ for $C = 1, C = 1/2, C = 0, C = -1/2$ and $C = -1$ the range $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ all in the same figure. Add a helpful legend in your plot.

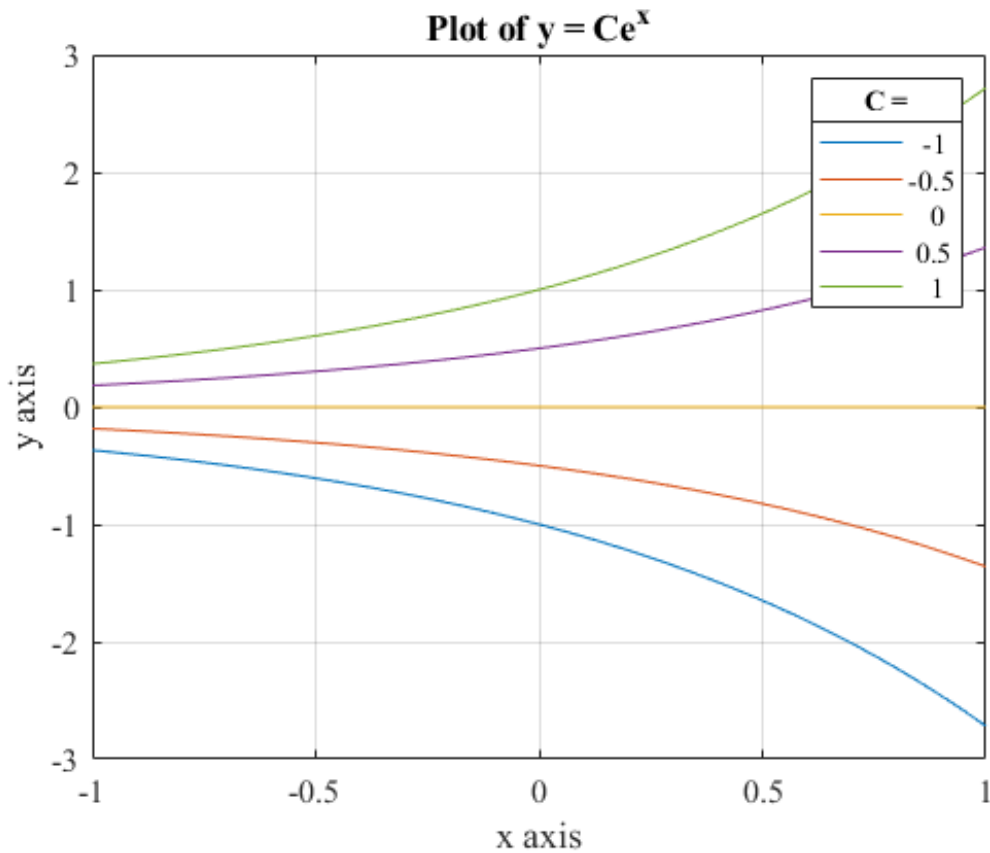
Solution:

```
c = [-1:.5:1]
```

```
c =
```

```
    -1.0000    -0.5000         0     0.5000     1.0000
```

```
x = [-1:.01:1];
y = c' .* exp(x);
plot(x,y)
legend(num2str(c'))
title(legend,'C =')
xlabel('x axis')
ylabel('y axis')
set(gca,'FontName','Times')
set(gca,'FontSize',12)
title('Plot of $y = Ce^x$')
title('Plot of y = Ce^x')
grid
```



Exercise 9: Let,

$$\text{logistic}(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}.$$

- Following the example from section use matlab to define a function *logistic* for this function.

Answer:

```
f = inline('(1+exp(-x)).^(-1)')
```

```
f =
```

Inline function:

```
f(x) = (1+exp(-x)).^(-1)
```

2. Verify that your function works correctly by computing $\text{logistic}(0)$, $\text{logistic}(1)$ and $\text{logistic}([0, 1])$. Do you obtain the right answers? (Hint: if you have an error when you test with vector input think about dot operators)

Answer:

```
f(0)
```

```
ans =
```

```
0.5000
```

```
f(1)
```

```
ans =
```

```
0.7311
```

```
x = [0:.1:1]
```

```
x =
```

```
Columns 1 through 7
```

```
0      0.1000    0.2000    0.3000    0.4000    0.5000
0.6000
```

```
Columns 8 through 11
```

```
0.7000    0.8000    0.9000    1.0000
```

```
f(x)
```

```
ans =
```

```
Columns 1 through 7
```

```
0.5000    0.5250    0.5498    0.5744    0.5987    0.6225
0.6457
```

```
Columns 8 through 11
```

```
0.6682    0.6900    0.7109    0.7311
```

Note the $\wedge(-1)$ notation. When applied to a vector $\wedge(-1)$ inverts each entry individually, achieving the desired result. Also note that the notation $1./$ would achieve the

same result.

3. Plot the logistic function over the range $-2 \leq x \leq 2$. Add a red square or diamond that marks the point $(1, \text{logistic}(1))$

Answer:

```
x = [-2:0.1:2];  
hold on  
plot(x, f(x))  
plot(1, f(1), 'rs')  
hold off
```

