

Arrays in Matlab

NEF1104 - Problem Solving for Engineers
Week 2 Session 4



Operations on matrices and arrays

Matlab supports the standard operations of addition, subtraction, transposition and multiplication.

Recall that these operations are defined only when the matrices involved satisfy certain properties:

A + B	A and B must be the same size (same numbers of rows and columns).	
A – B	A and B must be the same size.	
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```
>> A = [1 2 3 4;5 6 7 8;9 10 11 12]
A =
     6 7
              12
>> B = magic(3)
B =
>> C = [10 11 12;13 14 15;16 17 18]
C =
           12
  13
       14
           15
      17
           18
```

```
>> B+C
ans =
     12
         18
    19
          22
      26
  20
          20
>> B*A
ans =
      82
          97 112
     106
         121
              136
          97 112
      82
>> A'*C
ans =
      234 249
      276
          294
      318
          339
     360 384
```

```
>> B^2
ans =
  91
      67
          67
  67
           67
  67
      67
           91
>> C^4
ans =
   782730
            842292
                       901854
   993492
            1069092
                       1144692
  1204254
            1295892
                       1387530
```



Dot operators

The "dot" operators ("array operators") are a special class of commands which operate on every element of an array independently.

A*B: multiply A by B using the usual matrix definition

A.*B: multiply every element of A by the corresponding element of B

So this command is defined when A and B are the same size



Dot operators

Dot division (divides corresponding elements) and Dot powers:

Some other operations:

```
>> 1./A

ans =

1.0000    0.5000    0.3333    0.2500
    0.2000    0.1667    0.1429    0.1250

>> A.^3

ans =

1    8    27    64
    125    216    343    512
```

If you enter these commands without a dot you'll get an error message: try them and see!



Relational operators

Much of Matlab usage is concerned with testing values.

There are six "relational operators":

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



Relational operators

```
>> A>B
ans =
 2×4 logical array
 1 1 1 1
>> A <= B+4
ans =
 2×4 logical array
>> A==abs(B)+3
ans =
 2×4 logical array
 1 0 0 0
```

If you type in those at this point, you'll find that ans is a matrix of type "Logical".

In Matlab, a *logical* matrix consists of two values: true and false, which are printed as 1 and 0 respectively.



Logical operators

Results of testing can be joined together using "logical operators":

x & y	x and y : true if both x and y are true, and false if at least one of x and y are false.
x y	x or y : true if either or both of x and y are true, and false only when both of x and y are false.
xor(x,y)	exclusive or of x and y: true if one of x and y is true and the other false, and false if both x and y are true, or both are false.
~X	not x: true if x is false, and false if x is true.

Here's how we might use these operators to implement the function:

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x + y, & \text{if } x \ge 0 \text{ or } y \ge 0 \\ x^2 + y^2, & \text{if } x < 0 \text{ and } y < 0 \\ 0, & \text{other} \end{cases}$$

```
function out = f(x,y)

if x>=0 || y>=0
    out = x+y;

else if x<0 & y<0
    out = x^2+y^2;

else
    out = 0;
    end

end
end
```



The commands any, all and find

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any(test(v))	Returns 1 if <i>any</i> of the elements of the vector v are true for the test
all(test(v))	Returns 1 if <i>all</i> of the elements of the vector v are true for the test
find(test(v))	Returns the list of indices of v for which the test is true.

```
>> A = 1:8

A =

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
```

```
>> any(A==5)
ans =
 logical
>> any(A>5)
ans =
 logical
>> any(A>9)
ans =
 logical
 0
```

```
>> all(A>3)
ans =
logical
0
>> all(A<9)
ans =
logical
1</pre>
```



The commands any, all and find

To apply these operators to an array, you first need to make the array into one big vector.

The colon in brackets takes all the elements of A, and lists them as one long column vector.

```
>> any(A(:)>10)

ans =

logical

1

>> all(A(:)<20)

ans =

logical

1
```



The commands any, all and find

The results of find will be given as single numbers, indicating the position using the

single number indexing system.

```
>> A=magic(4)

A =

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

```
>> find(A>10)

ans =

1
6
8
12
13
15

>> find(A>4 & A<8)

ans =

2
7
11
```

Find can be used to change all values of an array satisfying some criterion.

i.e. to multiply all values of A which are greater than 10, by 100

```
>> X = find(A > 10)
X =
  13
  15
>> A(X) = A(X)*100
A =
     1600
                               1300
             1100
               7
                             1200
       9
             1400
                       1500
```

