

MAT116.1 - Programming with MatLab

MOCK EXAM

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Exercise 1 (2 P.) Sequence!

- a) Write a script called `'sequence.m'` which:
- Given the recursive sequence $a_1 = 1$, $a_n = \frac{1}{1+0.5a_{n-1}}$, finds the first 10 values of the sequence;
 - plots these values as discrete points (no lines between them);
 - adds a title on the top of the plot;
 - adds a label for the x axis;
 - saves automatically the plot in `'sequence_plot.fig'`;
 - closes the figure.
- b) The sequence a_n converges to $a = \sqrt{3} - 1$. Build a function `'tolerance_sequence.m'` that takes as input a tolerance ε and stops the sequence a_n when the error $|a_n - a| \leq \varepsilon$. The output is the first n such that $|a_n - a| \leq \varepsilon$.
INPUT: tolerance.
OUTPUT: first n such that $|a_n - a| \leq \varepsilon$.

Exercise 2 (2 P.) Mystery

- a) Create a function called `'mystery.m'` that loads the structure `'mystery_vector.mat'`, which has a vector of integers called `mystery_vect`, and returns the number of 0 elements of the vector (how many times the value 0 appear in the vector) and the mode value of the vector.
INPUT:
OUTPUT: number of zero elements, mode value
- b) Create a script called `'mystery_plot.m'`. The script should:
- load the file `'mystery_vector.mat'` and the vector as above;
 - reshape it into a matrix 400×640 ;
 - `spy` this matrix;
 - save the plot into `'mystery_figure.fig'`;
 - close the figure.

Exercise 3 (2 P.) Functions

- a) Given the sequence of functions $f_k(x) = k\sqrt{2}e^{-kx} \cos(\pi/4+kx)$, do a script 'plotting_functions.m' that
- plots on $[0, 1]$ all the functions in one figure for $k = 1, \dots, 5$;
 - uses colors red, blue, green, yellow and magenta in this order;
 - adds also a legend and a title;
 - saves the figure as 'plotted_functions.fig';
 - closes the figure.
- b) Code a function called 'symbolic_integration.m'. Use the symbolic tool of MATLAB to compute $\int_0^1 f_k(x)dx$. The function receives k as input, and returns the value (a double, not symbolic) of the integral.
INPUT: k
OUTPUT: $\int_0^1 f_k(x)dx$ (as double).

Exercise 4 (2 P.) Factorial!

- a) Build a function 'my_factorial.m' that, given a big number M , finds the first natural number n such that $n! > M$.
(Hint: remember that $n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot n$)
INPUT: M
OUTPUT: n
- b) In a function 'factorial_matrix.m', build a matrix A of dimension $n \times n$, with n given as an input, where

$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} (j \bmod i)! & \text{if } i < j \\ (i \operatorname{div} j)! & \text{if } i \geq j \end{cases}$$

for $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, where div is the integer division and \bmod is the remainder of the integer division. Return the mean value of the whole matrix.

INPUT: n

OUTPUT: $\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n A_{ij}$