

Math review and MATLAB excersises

HiOA ELTS2300 Dynamic systems

Introduction to MATLAB

- 1) Define variable x with value $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$. Compute the result of $y = x + \sin(x) + \frac{1}{2}x^2$ and store it in a variable y .
- 2) Compute $z = y^3 + 2.5 \cos(y)$
- 3) Make MATLAB functions that compute y and z .
- 4) Manually define the column vector

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1.5 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$$

- 5) Manually define the row vector

$$b = [0 \quad 1 \quad 5] \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 3}$$

- 6) Manually define the matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0.2 \\ 8 & -3 & 3 \\ -2 & 0.4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

Compute the following multiplications by hand and verify afterwards the result with MATLAB:

- a. $x^T x$
- b. $x^T b$
- c. xb
- d. bx
- e. Ax
- f. bAx
- g. $x^T A b^T$
- h. AB
- i. $B^T x$
- j. BC
- k. ABC

- 7) Manually define the matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & -3 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 \\ -3 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}, x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$$

Compute the following operations by hand and verify afterwards the result with MATLAB:

- a. $A^T A$
- b. AA^T
- c. AB
- d. BA
- e. Ax

- f. $x^T A$
- g. $x^T A x$

8) Random vectors and plots

- a. Create a random column vector with dimension 100, according to a Normal distribution, with zero mean and standard deviation 1. Hint: Type “help randn” in MATLAB. Plot the result. Experiment with different colors, line styles, and markers. **Hint:** Type “help plot” in MATLAB. Use xlabel “sample” and ylabel “value” in the figure. (Hint: “help xlabel”, “help ylabel”)
- b. Create another random column vector with dimension 100, according to a uniform distribution, mean 5 and standard deviation 2. Hint: Type “help rand” in MATLAB. Plot the result.
- c. Plot both vectors in the same figure and with different colors/markers. **Hint:** use “hold on/off” commands. For instance “plot(x1, ‘.-b’); hold on; plot(x2, ‘or’); hold off; grid on” Use legend command to label each of the plots. Hint: use “help legend”.

9) Plot the signal

$$y = 2 \sin(\omega t + 1)$$

Between time $t = 0\text{s}$ and $t = 10\text{s}$, with $\omega = 2$.

Hint: Decide on how many samples you need. Create a time vector using “t=0:h:10”, where h is the sampling period. Label x-axis with “Time [s]” and y-axis with “y(t)”. Experiment what happens when changing the values of w and h. One option is to use a for loop to create the signal but it is much simpler and efficient to make an operation on the time vector t.

10) Plot the signal

$$y = 2x^3 - x^2 + x - 1$$

In the interval $x \in [-20, 20]$. Hint: Writing a dot after a vector means the operation applies to the vector elements. For instance “x.^2” takes the square of all elements in vector x; and “x.^3” its cubic exponent. Also if x and y are two vectors of the same dimensions, “x.*y” indicates the element-wise product of the elements in vectors x and y.

Linear algebra

- 11) Use MATLAB to solve the following linear system of equations and determine the values of a, b, c :

$$2a + b - 2c = 1$$

$$a + 4.5b + 5c = 4$$

$$-2a + 3b - 8c = -1$$

Hint: Write the system in matrix form and use matrix inverse MATLAB function “inv()”.

- 12) Use MATLAB to solve the following linear system of equations and determine the value of x

$$Ax = b$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 6.5 & -2 \\ 0 & 2.3 & 3 & 0 \\ 3.2 & 0 & 3.5 & 7 \\ -2 & 2 & 1.25 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 13) **Least Squares polynomial fitting.** In this exercise you will use least squares to determine the coefficients of a polynomial of third order that best approximates a number of samples. Suppose that you were given N pairs of points $(y_i, x_i); i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ and you want to find coefficients of a third order polynomial that best approximate those points. The goal is to find the coefficients (a_3, a_2, a_1, a_0) that minimizes the size of errors w_i in:

$$a_3x_i^3 + a_2x_i^2 + a_1x_i + a_0 = y_i + w_i$$

That is equivalent to minimizing the sum of squares of the errors

$$E = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (a_3x_i^3 + a_2x_i^2 + a_1x_i + a_0 - y_i)^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N w_i^2$$

The individual equations for each sample point can be written as

$$a_3x_1^3 + a_2x_1^2 + a_1x_1 + a_0 = y_1 + w_1$$

$$a_3x_2^3 + a_2x_2^2 + a_1x_2 + a_0 = y_2 + w_2$$

\vdots

$$a_3x_N^3 + a_2x_N^2 + a_1x_N + a_0 = y_N + w_N$$

And in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^3 & x_1^2 & x_1 & 1 \\ x_2^3 & x_2^2 & x_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_N^3 & x_N^2 & x_N & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_N \end{bmatrix}$$

which has the form of a linear system of equations:

$$A\theta = y + w$$

Where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^3 & x_1^2 & x_1 & 1 \\ x_2^3 & x_2^2 & x_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_N^3 & x_N^2 & x_N & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 4}$$

$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 1}$$

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_N \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$$

The least squares solution to the polynomial fitting can be found by attempting to solve the linear system

$$A\theta = y$$

Since A is in general not square (usually we have many more samples N than the order of the polynomial), we can not take its inverse. Instead the Least Squares solution uses something called the pseudoinverse. If the matrix $A^T A$ is invertible (non zero determinant) then the pseudoinverse is defined as $A^+ = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$. The Least Squares solution is then:

$$\theta = A^+ y = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y$$

This expression can also be found by trying to isolate θ from the expression $A\theta = y$ by first multiplying both sides from the left by A^T , and then from the left by $(A^T A)^{-1}$. The expression now follows using the fact that $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T A = I$ is the identity matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} A\theta &= y \\ A^T A\theta &= A^T y \\ \underbrace{(A^T A)^{-1} (A^T A)}_I \theta &= (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y \\ \theta &= \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y \end{aligned}$$

- a. Generate $N = 50$ uniform samples of a signal

$$y = 0.4x^3 + x^2 - 1.5x + 1 + w$$

Where $x \in [-1, 1]$ and w is a normally distributed random variable with zero mean and standard deviation $\sigma = 0.5$. Make a figure to plot the signal. **Hints:** use `"x=linspace(-1, 1, 50)'"` and `"0.5*randn(50, 1)'"` to generate noise vector. In order to plot you can use marker `"o"` which uses circles to indicate samples. For instance `"plot(x, y, 'ro')"`.

- b. Use least squares to determine the coefficients (a_3, a_2, a_1, a_0) that best approximate the generated points. Plot the results.
- c. Use the same data samples but now try to fit a second order polynomial

$$a_2 x_i^2 + a_1 x_i + a_0 = y_i + w_i$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 & x_1 & 1 \\ x_2^2 & x_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_N^2 & x_N & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix}$$

Plot the results and compare them with the third order polynomial fit. Is there a big difference? Hint: Note that the process is similar but now with different matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 3}$ instead of $\mathbb{R}^{N \times 4}$. Use “hold on/ hold off” to overlay plots.

- d. Experiment with different values of coefficients, noise standard deviation, and number of samples.
- e. [Extra, if time allows] Repeat the process with a fourth order polynomial. How does this compare to previous second and third order polynomial fittings?

Maps and functions

14) Write MATLAB functions that represent the following mappings

a. $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 1$

b. $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2; f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_2 + 1 \\ \sin x_2 \end{bmatrix}$

c. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3; f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x^2 \\ x^2 + 1 - \frac{1}{x} \end{bmatrix}$

d. Use matlab "for" loop to implement the function $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}\right) = \sqrt[2]{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$.

e. Implement the same function but using the fact that if we define column vector $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \dots x_n]^T$ then $x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2$. Hint: use «sqrt» function. Note: MATLAB has a built-in function «norm» which does the same but this is not to be used in the excercise.

15) **Map into the unit sphere.** The unit sphere is defined as the set of points in \mathbb{R}^3 that have unit length

$$\mathbb{S}^2 = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3: \|\mathbf{x}\| = 1\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3: \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = 1 \right\}$$

Write a function that implements the map into the unit sphere $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2$ where:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}}} \mathbf{x}$$

$$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

16) Generate 100 random points in \mathbb{R}^3 with zero mean and standard deviation $\sigma = 2$. Plot the original points and their result after being passed through the unit sphere map of the previous excercise. Hint: You can use a for loop to iterate over the 100 samples, or attempt the excercise in a matrix form. A normally distributed random vector in \mathbb{R}^3 with entries according to a standard deviation $\sigma = 2$ can be generated with «2*randn(3,1)». You can generate 100 samples in one call by using «2*randn(100,3)». This is a matrix where each row represents a point, first column contains x-coordinates, the second y-coordinates, etc. Use «plot3» matlab function. Use different colors for \mathbf{x} and $f(\mathbf{x})$.

Calculus

17) **Derivative of a function.** Given a signal

$$y(t) = 2 \sin(\omega t + 1)$$

- Plot the signal in the interval $t \in [0, 10]$. **Hint:** Decide on how many samples you need. Create a time vector using “ $t=0:h:10$ ”, where h is the sampling period. Alternatively you can use “ $t=\text{linspace}(0, 10, N)$ ”, where N is the number of samples. (In this case the sampling time becomes $h = \frac{10}{(N-1)}$)
- Determine its derivative analytically using a table of derivatives. Plot the analytical derivative of the function in the same time interval.

The derivative of a function is defined as

$$y'(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{y(t+h) - y(t)}{h}$$

If you defined a vector in the previous point (a)

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y(0) \\ y(h) \\ y(2h) \\ \vdots \\ y((N-1)h) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$$

One can attempt to estimate the derivative by assuming that h is small enough and computing the difference between samples divided by the elapsed time between them:

$$\mathbf{y}' = \begin{bmatrix} y'(0) \\ y'(h) \\ y'(2h) \\ \vdots \\ y'((N-1)h) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{y_2 - y_1}{h} \\ \frac{y_3 - y_2}{h} \\ \frac{y_4 - y_3}{h} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{y_N - y_{N-1}}{h} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{y(h) - y(0)}{h} \\ \frac{y(2h) - y(h)}{h} \\ \frac{y(3h) - y(2h)}{h} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{y(Nh) - y((N-1)h)}{h} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N-1 \times 1}$$

Note that by doing this, if the original signal vector has dimension $\mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$, the estimated derivative has one sample less, that is dimension $\mathbb{R}^{N-1 \times 1}$. This is called the «dirty derivative» of signal $y(t)$.

- Compute the dirty derivative of the signal in (a) and plot it together with the analytical derivative of the function you found in (b).
- Experiment with different values of sample time h . Does it have any effect? Can you guess why it is called dirty derivative?
- [Extra, if time allows]. Now assume that we measure the signal with a certain measurement error w which is normally distributed, has zero mean, and standard deviation $\sigma = 0.1$

$$y(t) = 2 \sin(\omega t + 1) + w$$

Plot the dirty derivative of the signal. Experiment with different values of sampling time h and noise standard deviation $\sigma = 0.1$. What is the effect of the measurement noise on the derivative estimate?

Complex numbers

18) Given the following complex numbers

$$a = 1i + 1$$

$$b = 2i + 3$$

$$c = -i - 2$$

$$d = 3i$$

Compute the following expressions by hand and verify the result in MATLAB:

a. $a + b$

b. $a - c$

c. ab

d. abc

e. $\frac{a}{c}$

f. $\frac{d}{b-c}$

g. $\frac{a+b}{c+d}$

h. $a \left(\frac{b}{d} + 1 \right) d$