

You can save Matlab/Octave programs in files with a **.m** extension. You need to tell Matlab/Octave where to go to look for these files. Here's one way to do this.

1. Create a directory where you are going to keep your **.m** files.

For example, on a Mac I might use:

```
/Users/david/Documents/Math 314
```

On Windows XP I might use

```
C:\Documents and Settings\david\Math 314
```

On Windows Vista or 7 I might use

```
C:\Users\david\Math 314
```

Of course, you will replace david with the name of your user account.

2. Download the file `demoscrypt.m` from the course web page and save it in the new directory you created.
3. Start Octave or Matlab.

4. **If you are running a Mac or Linux:**

Type

```
addpath('<my-path>')
```

where `<my-path>` is the full name of the directory you created in Step 1. For example:

```
addpath('/Users/david/Documents/Math 310')
```

Notice that the single quotes are required.

If you are running Windows:

Do the same thing, except you must change all of the backslashes into forward slashes in your path name. For example:

```
addpath('C:/Documents and Settings/david/Math 310')
```

5. Test that the new path works by issuing the following commands:

```
plotfunction1
```

You should see a plot appear.

6. Assuming that everything has worked to this point, you need to tell Octave (or Matlab) to use this path in the future. Enter

```
savepath
```

7. Exit Octave and restart it. Repeat Step 5 to make sure your new path still works.