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- Programming
  - Can type on command line, or use a program file (“m”-file)
  - Semicolon at end of line is optional (suppresses printing)
  - Control flow (if, for, while, switch,etc) similar to C
  - Differences from C: no variable declarations, no pointers

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  - And many more….

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- Data types in MATLAB
  - –Double (64-bit double-precision floating point)
  - –Single (32-bit single-precision floating point)
  - –Int32 (32-bit signed integer)
  - –Int16 (16-bit signed integer)
  - –Int8 (8-bit signed integer)
  - –Uint32 (32-bit unsigned integer)
  - –Uint16 (16-bit unsigned integer)
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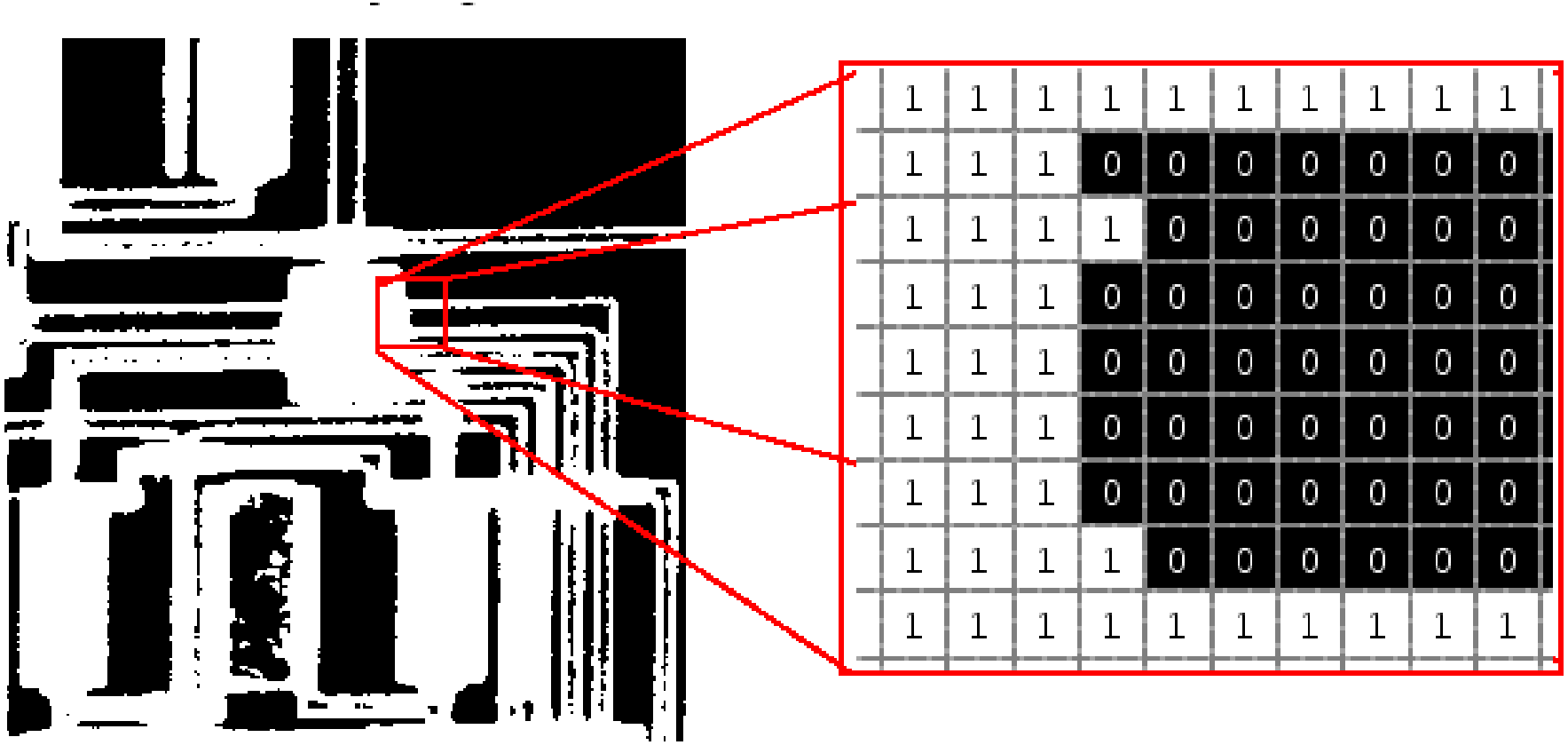

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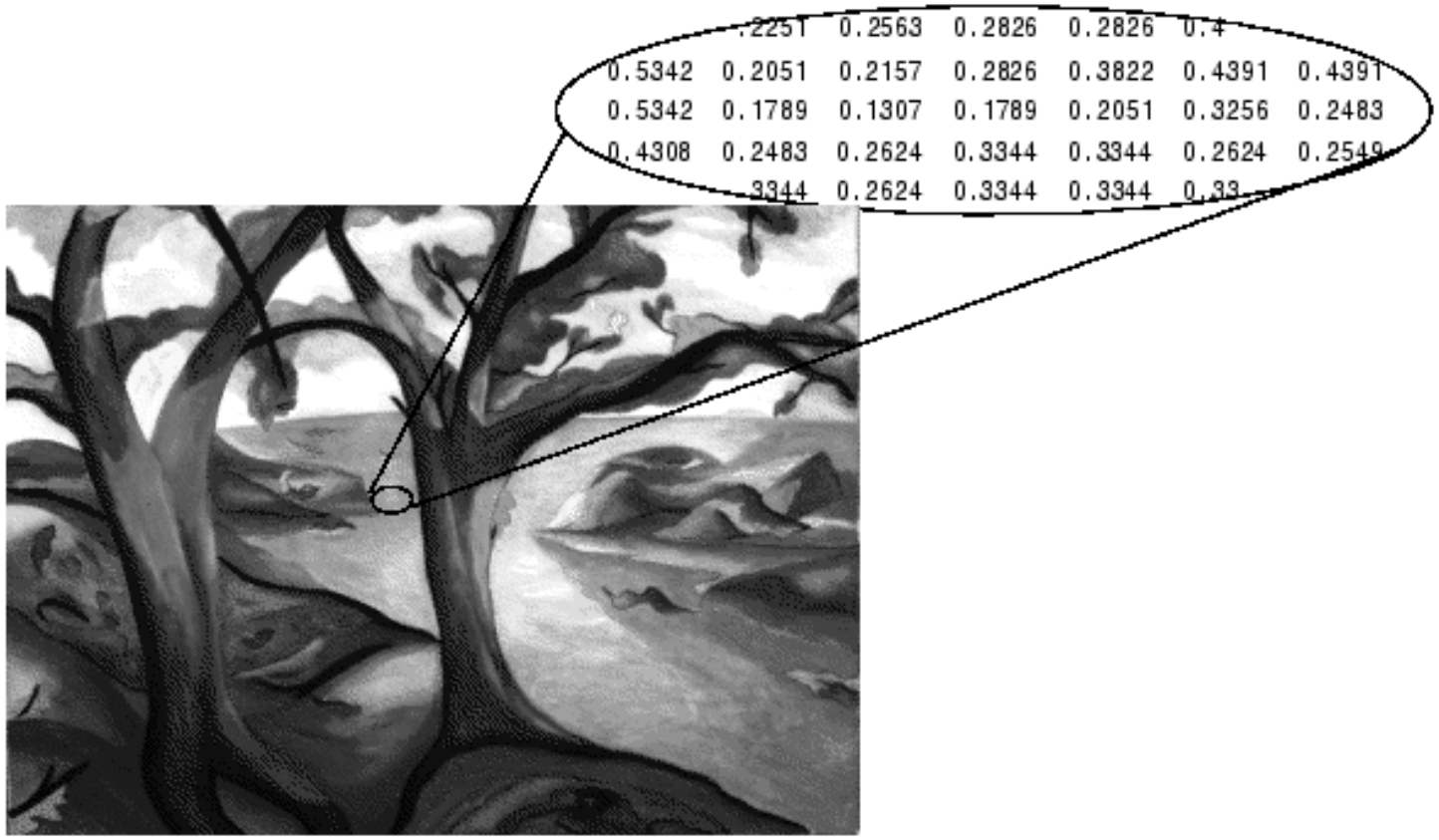

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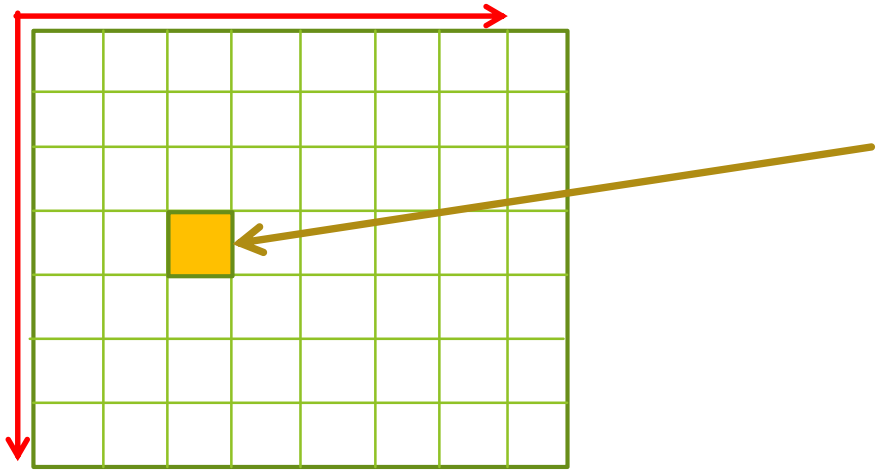
MATLAB Image Coordinates

- MATLAB stores images as matrices
- In MATLAB, image pixels are referenced using **(row, col)** values
- Origin of the coordinate system **(1,1)** is the top left corner of the image

img



Thus, **img(4,3)** refers to the pixel at the 4th row and 3rd column.

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- For some function you may need to convert image to double format
  - Double format has pixel values in the range [0,1]
  - To convert any image format to double, use MATLAB function “im2double()”

e.g.: A = imread(‘filename.extension’);

A_double = im2double(A);