Matlab cheat sheet - Brian McGill Feb 2000

Basics

Arrays

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[a; b; c] gives a column vector
[a b c] gives a row vector
                                                                   [a b c; d e f] gives a 2X3 array
indexing: a[idx1, idx2, ...] subscripts where idxn can be n or [n1 n2 n3] or : or end or n1:n2 or n1:step:n2
      (note step can be negative)
                                       also a [:] column vectorizes and a [i] gets i<sup>th</sup> entry
creating: (start:end) or (start:end:step) or linspace(start,end,#) or logspace(start,end,#) or
       zeros(n1,...) or ones(n1, ...) or eye(n)(identity) or rand(n) or rand(n1,n2,...) or randn(n)(normal) or
       repmat(val, n1, ...)
searching: find (A rel val) returns i indices, [r,c]=find() returns r,c A(find(A rel)) returns entries meeting
                 just find (A) returns non-zero elements
functions: '(transpose) .' (complex conj) diag(vec) diag(ary) size(A) size(A,n) dot(v1,v2)
updating: a subscripted array may be on LHS of =; a scalar is expanded; setting to [] deletes a row or column
       i=find(isnnan(A)); a(i)=zeros(size(i));
set type functions: unique (A) ismember (a,b) union (a,b) intersect (a,b) setxor (a,b) setdiff (a,b)
check: isempty isnumeric islogical isnan isinf isfinite isequal(x,round(x)) isreal
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Functions

statement; GLOBAL var edit func (no.m needed)	·	
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Control structures

if expr,	while expression	for var=rowvec	switch expression
statement;	statement;	statement;	case testexpr
statement;	end	end	statement;
elseif	try	e.g. for $n=1:10$	<pre>case {ex1, ex2}</pre>
statements	statements	picks up columns	statement;
else	catch	promo up corumnia	otherwise
statements	statements	break is usable in all	statement;
end	end	Dieak is usable iii aii	end

Cells & Structures

Strings

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'this is a string'
help strfun

strings are numerical arrays of ASCII values: e.g. size('how long') gives 1 8 and subscripting works

char or str2mat gives a 2-D array w/variable # of columns - char('str1', 'str2 is longer')

access these by mystrlist(n,:)

concatenation: ['str1' 'str2' 'str3'] or for multirow strings: strcat(a,b) concatenates strings as long as they have the same # of rows

numeric conversion: int2str(n) num2str(f) and sprintf(fmt, num)

ischar(S) isletter(S) isspace(S) lower(S) upper(S) sttrep(s1,s2,s3)

findstr(S1,S2) strcmp(S1,S2) strncmp(S1,S2,n) strtok(S1,D) strmatch(s,sary)

eval(str) str2num() num2str()

startidx[,finish,tokens]=regexp[i](str,expr) str=regexprep(str,expr,rep)
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Basic analysis

Symbolic

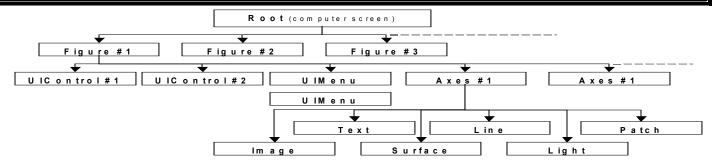
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1) 'expr' or 2) syms a b then expr w/a,b or 3) sym(num) or 4) symop('2,'+','x') [n, d]=numden(se) compose(f1,f2) finverse(f) double(se) sym2poly(f) poly2sym(v) subs(se,var,var/num) symsum(f) symsum(f,a,b) diff(f) diff(f,var) diff(f,n) int(f,a,b) solve(se) solve(se,var) solve(se1,se2,...,var1,var2,...) dsolve(difeq[,var]) where difeq uses Dy,y, Dny w/(0) for init and has multiple expr sep by ',' det(matrixse) inv(matrixse) eig(matrixse) [V,D]=eig(matrixse) jordan, svd, colspace, null taylor(se) jacobian(se,var1,var2) laplace(func,var,newvar) fourier(f,fv,nv) ztrans(f,v,n) simplify(f) factor(f) expand(f) simple(f) vpa(se,digits) pretty(se) latex(se) ccode(se)
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Graphing

Help topics

help topic	lookfor verbage	more	on	
general	specfun	sparfun (sparse	graphics (handle)	datatypes
ops	matfun	mat)	uitools	dde
lang	datafun	graph2d	strfun	demos
elmat	polyfun	graph3d	iofun	symbolic
elfun	funfun (&ODE)	specgraph	timefun	signal
control	glmlab	1 0 1		
local				

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Object Type	Handles	Creators	Other utils	Comment
Root	0	N/A		Parent of all, holds defaults
Figure	gcf	figure	clf, close, refresh	window (contains axes, controls, menus)
UIControl		uicontrol, btngroup	btnstate, btnpress, btndown, btnup	Style
UIMenu		uimenu, makemenu, winmenu, uicontextmenu		
Axes	gca, get(hFig, 'CurrentAxes")	axes, sbuplot(rows,cols,#)	cla, box on/off, caxis, axis on/off, [xmin xmax ymin max] auto/manual/ij/xy/equal/square	main drawing areas xy places 0,0 in lower left ij places in upper left, y first
Text		text(x,y[,z],string)	xlabel, ylabel, zlabel, title, gtext	text on an axis
Line		line(vx,vy[,vz])		a set of lines
Patch		patch(vx,vy[,vz],color)	fill, fill3, rectangle	a colored polygon
Image		image(bitmapmatrix)	imagesc	a bitmap given by matrix
Surface		surface(x,y,z[,c])		adjacent polygons
Light		light		lighting of surfaces

Property manipulation & inheritance

At any level there is a "shadow" property that gives defaults for all children given by prefixing 'Default' – e.g. 'DefaultAxesFontSize' Hierarchy: inbuilt, root, figure, axes – at creation time all non-specified propeties taken from first Default found up hierarchy All the basic creator routines (axes, line, etc) all allow propname, propyal, ... at tend of function calls

set(h,propname,prop)

get(h,propname)

findobj([hvec,]propname1,propval1, ...)

clruprop/setuprop/getuprop allchild(h) reset(h) delete(h) copyobj(h)

Common properties objects

BusyAction, ButtonDownFcn, CreateFcn, ChangeFcn, DeleteFcn, Interruptible

Children Selected UserData (any Matlab array)

Clipping SelectionHighlight Visible ('on'/'off')

Handle Visibility Tag (any string)

Parent Type ('figure', 'axis', 'line', etc)

Text properties: FontAngle (normal/italic/oblique); FontName; FontSize; FontUnits; FontWeight (light/normal/demi/bold); Extent*

Units: (pixels/normalized (0-1)/inches/centimeters/points)

Background Color: Color none/[r g b]/name except UIControl has BackgroundColor

Drawing objects: EraseMode (normal/none/xor/background) Marker (.0+etc) MarkerEdgeColor MarkeFaceColor MarkerSize LineStyle LineWidth

Location: XData/YData/ZData (line, patch, surface) **Position** (text, uicontrol) [L B W H] - **Extent** is readonly & gives minimum

Axes (?=X/Y/Z): Title/Xlabel/Ylabel; ?Lim [min, max]; ?Dir normal/reverse; ?Grid on/off; ?LimMode auto/manual;

?Scale=linear/log; ?Tick vec; ?TickMode=auto/manual; ?TickLabel strings; ?TickLabelMode auto/manual; ?AxisLocation top/bottom/left/right; DataAspectRatio [dx dy dz]; DataAspectRatio Mode auto/manual;

GridLineStyle -/--/:/-./none; LineWidth n; Clim [cmin, cmax]; CLimMode auto/manual; TickDir in/out;

TickDirMode auto/manual; TickLength auto/manual; View [az, elev]

Figure: CurrentAxes, CurrentCharacter*, CurrentObject, CurrentPoint, Name string, NumberTitle on/off;

Pointer crosshair/arrow/watch etc; Resize off/on; WindowStyle normal/modal

UIControl: style (pushbutton/radiobutton/checkbox/edit/text/slider/frame/listbox/popupmenu); Min n; Max n; Value n; String str; SliderStep [one page]

Array Indexing

3 modes:

a(commalist) where each element in comma separated list matches 1 dimension in array
 a(idxlist) where the array is treated as a column vector regardless of shape (dim1 varies fastest)

3. a(boollist) where the array is treated as a column vector regardless of shape

commalist

idxlist1,idxlist2,idxlist3
s.field where s is an array of structures or s(idxlist).field
cell{:}
deal(ary)

reverse (commalist-> array) [commalist] or cat(dim,commalist) (array-> commalist) commalist=deal(ary) **assign** [commalist]=deal(commalist) including [var1,var2,...]=deal(commalist)

idxlist

: type

n:m represents elements n thru m
n:step:m represents incremental list
end may be used for n or m
: represents all elements

[] type
[n1 n2 n3 ...]
n

boollist

vector of 0/1's

nb: floats, x, converted to logicals by logical(x) while $x>1 \rightarrow logicals$

Tricks

idxlist=find(boolarray)

a single #

find converts a boolean list into a idxlist

idxlist ommissions, repetitions and reordering is respected

add a row: a (newrow,:)=0 remove a row a (delrow,:)=[]

Lookup

[b,idx]=ismember(vals,lookup) res=ceil(interp1(lookup,1:lookup,vals))

add a dimension

any dimension that is non-existent (or 1 position) can be subscripted with multiple 1's (e.g. [1 1 1]) e.g.: $a=[1\ 2\ 3]$, $a([1\ 1]; :) \rightarrow [1\ 2\ 3; 1\ 2\ 3]$

concatenate arrays

[a1 a2] - horizontal (dim2) concatenation [a1; a2] - vertical (dim1) concatenation

Stats

Distributions	ncx2	Distr functions	grpstats, crosstab,	ranksum, signrank, signtest,
:	norm*	dist*fit	tabulate, bootstrp	ztest, ttest, ttest2, ks
beta*	poiss*	distedf	corrcoef, cov, simprank,	boxplot, gline, gname,
bino*	rayl	distpdf	simpcorr(x,y,printp)	normplot, refline,
chi2	t	distinv (of cdf)	anova1, anova2, leverage,	weibplot
exp*	unid	distrnd	polyfit(x,y,n),	refcurve, refline([slp,[int]]),
f	unif*	diststat (mean, var)	polyval, , stepwise,	lllsline, llrefline
gam*	weib*		regress(y,[1 x]	disttool, polytool, regst
geo		Tools	$nlinfit(x,y,inline('a(1)*x.^$	
hyge		(nan)mean, median,	a(2)','a','x',ainit)	
logn		min, max, std,	cluster, pdist, linkage,	
nbin		sum	princomp, barttest,	
ncf		prctile, range,	classify (LDA)	
nct		skewness		

Plot Properties

Set via the set(gca,'Propname',propval,'Propname',propval....)

	Values	Comments
Property		
Color	'none' 'g' 'green' [0 1 0]	Color of background
Linewidth	N	Width in points of axis lines
TickDir	'in' 'out'	Direction of ticklines
TickDirMode	'auto' 'manual'	auto = in for 2-D, out for 3-D
TickLength	[2Dlength 3Dlength]	
Visible	'on' 'off'	Hide axis
Tag	'string'	Tag usable in findobj
UserData	Matrix	Store data in graph
XAxisLocation	'top' 'bottom'	
YaxisLocation	'left' 'right'	
?Color	'none' 'g' 'green' [0 1 0]	Line & tick color
?Dir	'normal' 'reverse'	Order of values (e.g. bottom to top)
?Grid	'on' 'off'	Lines across graph
?Label	Textobject (text('Str','prop','val')	Axes labels
Title	"	Graph title
?LimMode	'auto' 'manual'	Set to manual if set ?Lim
?Lim	[minimum maximum]	Set Axis scale
?TickLabelMode	'auto' 'manual'	Set to manual if set ?TickLabel
?TickLabel	{'la1','la2'} 'la1 la2' [1 2]	Values displayed at ticks
?TickMode	'auto' 'manual'	Set to 'manual' if set ?Tick
?Tick	Vector matrix – e.g. [1 3 5]	If [] then no ticks
?Scale	'log' 'linear'	
Font*	As per text labels	no effect until ?Label set

LineStyles

Colors: ymcrgbwk Markers: o . x+*sdv^>ph Styles: - : -. -

Line Properties: Marker, MarkerEdgeColor, MarkerFaceColor, MarkerSize, Color, LineStyle, LineWidth

Commands

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2D:
hLines=plot([x,]y[,style],...)
gbanner(haxis,string[,ptsz]); manyplot(x,y)
hold on; hold off; subplot(rows,cols,graph); figure;
hBars=bar([x,]y[,width][,'stacked']) pie(vec[,ispulledvec]) hist(vec[,binvec]) myhistc()
errorbar(x, y, e) plotmatrix(x, y) as scatter
Function:
fplot(f,[xmin xmax]) fplot(f,[xmin xmax ymin max]) ezplot(f)
xr=0:0.1:1; yr=0:0.1:1; [x y]=meshgrid(xr,yr); z=x+y.*z;
mesh(x,y,z) surf(xmat,ymat,zmat) or surf(xvec,yvec,zmat)
countourf(x, y, z, n) = countour(x, y, z, n, 'style') + pcolor(x, y, z)
colormap(name(n)); name=jet/hot/cool/gray/bone/summer/autumn/spring
colorbar;
Dual axis:
ylims=get(gca,'YLim'); xlims=get(gca,'XLim');
newax=axes('position', get(gca, 'position'));
set(newax,'YAxisLocation','right','color','none', ...
'xgrid','off','ygrid','off','box','off','XTick',[],...
    'YLimMode', 'manual', 'YLim'ylims*scale);
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Labels

set(get(gca,'?label'),'String','Prop1',Val1,...)) or title/?label('String','Prop1',val,...)

Text properties

FontAngle	'normal' 'italic' 'oblique'	
FontName	'Courier' 'Fixed-width'	
FontSize	Size in units	
FontUnits	'points' 'normalized' 'inches' 'centimeters'	Defaults to POINTS
FontWeight	'light' 'normal' 'demi' 'bold'	
VerticalAligment	'middle' 'top' 'cap' 'baseline' 'bottom'	
HorizontalAlignment	'left' 'center' 'right'	
Rotation	Scalar	0=default

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Character	Symbol	Character	Symbol	Character	Symbol
Sequence		Sequence		Sequence	
\alpha	α	\upsilon	υ	\sim	~
\beta	β	\phi	ф	\leq	≤
\gamma	γ	\chi	χ	\infty	∞
\delta	δ	\psi	Ψ	\clubsuit	*
\epsilon	ε	\omega	ω	\diamondsuit	•
\zeta	ζ	\Gamma	Γ	\heartsuit	♥
\eta	η	\Delta	Δ	\spadesuit	^
\theta	θ	\Theta	Θ	\leftrightarrow	\leftrightarrow
\vartheta		\Lambda	Λ	\leftarrow	←
\iota	ı	\Xi	Ξ	\uparrow	1
\kappa	к	\Pi	П	\rightarrow	\rightarrow
\lambda	λ	\Sigma	Σ	\downarrow	+
\mu	œ	\Upsilon	Y	\circ	=
\nu	ν	\Phi	Φ	\pm	±
\xi	ξ	\Psi	Ψ	\geq	≥
\pi	π	\Omega	Ω	\propto	œ
\rho	ρ	\forall	A	\partial	ð
\sigma	σ	\exists	3	\bullet	•
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\tau	τ	\cong	≅	\neq	≠
\equiv	=	\approx	≈	\aleph	8
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Mapping toolbox in Matlab

Old Grid (Lat/Lon gridded, topographical, global satellite)

map=rxc matrix of z values

legend=[cells/angleunit north-latitude west-longitude] (nb: always lat/lon rhomboids)

file loading: dted, etopo5, globedem, gtopo30, satbath, tbase, usgs24kdem, usgsdem, avhrrgoode, avhrrlambert creation: nanm,onem,zerom + population of legend display: meshm, contourm, countour3m, contourfm

z=ltln2val(map,legend,lat,lon[,method]);[lat,lon]=setltln(map,leg,row,col);[row,col]=setpostn(map,legend,lat,lon); [lat,lon]=findm(map boolexpr,legend);

[latlims,lonlims]=limitm(map,legend); vs. [r,c,legend]=sizem(latlims,lonlims,cellsperdeg); gradientm(map,legend); viewshed, los2 (line of sight & view); areamat; maskm() neworig, resizem

→ Grid: refvec2mat(legend,size(map)); Z=map;

←Grid: refmat2vec(R,size(Z));map=Z; (only possible if R is for lat/lon data);

Grid (high resolution/projected in metric)

map=rxc matriz of z values

R=affine matrix such that [row col 1]*R=[x,y] coordinate (nb: may or may not be lat/lon & rhomboidal)

file loading: arcgridread, geotiffread (& geotiffinfo), sdtsdemread (&sdtsinfo), worldfileread creation: matrix+makerefmat(x11center,y11center,xpixwidth,ypixwidth) (nb: ypixwidth<0 if y decereases w/ row) display: mapshow (geoshow if lat/lon), also simple surf,mesh work if don't need coordinates

[x,y]=pix2map(R,r,c); [r,c]=map2pix(R,x,y); also latlon2pix & pix2latlon if coords in lat/lon (handles 360 wrap) [x,y]=pixcenters(R,size(Z)[,'makegrid'])

 \rightarrow Geolocated: [x,y]=pixcenters(R,size(Z),'makegrid');[lat,lon]=projinv(mstruct,x,y); also meshgrat \leftarrow Geolocated: [Z,R]=geoloc2grid(lat,lon,z,cellsize)

Geolocated

 $lat,lon,z \ (values \ at \ any shaped \ ``grid'' \ with \ centers \ at \ lat/lon) \ (may \ be \ a \ graticule \ if \ lat,lon \ smaller \ than \ z) \ display: surfm, contourm, countour 3m, contourfm$

 \leftarrow old grid: latlim=[min(lt(:)) max(lt(:))]; lonlim=[min(lon(:)) max(lon(:))];

[map,legend]=nanm(latlim,lonlim,newpixpercurpix); map=imbedm(lat,lon,z,map,legend);

→old grid: [lat,lon]=meshgrat(map,legend);

Point/Line/Poly

lat, lon [z] ([la1 .. lan NaN la2 ... la2n ...] where NaN separates lines or patches (lan=la1 if patch)

file loading: usahi, usalo, worldhi, worldlo, coast also .mat files: coast, oceanlo, usahi, usalo, worldhi, worldlo

display: linem (noreset), plotm (resets map), plot3m, fillm, fill3m, patchm (shading in patch), mapshow, geoshow [x,y]=mfwdtrans(proj,lat,lon) for matlab maps projfwd(proj,lat,lon) for 3rd party then can use: plot, line, etc

[mstruct,msg] = gcm;[x,y,z,savepts] = mfwdtran(mstruct,lat,lon,z,'surface'); h = patch('faces',tri,'vertices',[x(:) y(:) z(:)],'facevertexcdata',z(:), 'CDataMapping','scaled','facecolor','interp','edgecolor','none');

bufferm, reducem, interpm, interplat, interplon, nanclip, polybool, polycut, polyjoin, polymerge, polysplit, polyxpoly, areaint, areaquad, maptriml, maptrimp,

→ grid: vec2mtx, country2mtx, encodem

Geostructs

Version 2: struct(n).fields where fields are: Geometry='Line'|'Patch'|'Point', Lat/X, Lon/Y BoundingBox:[minx minY;maxX maxY] if not Point, as many others as desired

fileload: shaperead (also shapeinfo);geotiff2mstruct

display: mapshow, geoshow, makesymbolspec (different symbols for each layer/attribute values)

updategeostruct, extractfield

Version 1: type='line'|'patch'|'text'|'surface' (geolocated grid)|'regular' (grid)

also: tag, lat,long,altitude,otherproperty and possibly map, maplegend, meshgrat, string depending on type file loading: dcwdata,dcwgaz,dcwrdx,dcwread,dcwrhead,tgrline,tigermif,tigerp,vmapDdata,vmapDrdx

also: usalo, usahi, worldlo,world hi

display: displaym, mlayers

updategeostruct, extractm,country2mtx

Projections & display

maps; % lists all projections

axesm creates m=gcm; setm(m), getm(m); clma [all|purge] mfwdtrans,minvtrans; projfwd, projinv framem; gridm; mlabel (meridians = lon), plabel (parallels=lat); scalerrule; axesmui (gui);tightmap;showaxes; demcmap; polcmap (colormaps); colorbar; caxis([lo hi]); clrmenu (gui);

textm; inputm;

Guis: axesmui, clrmenu, lightmui, origimui, panzoom, parallelui

Utilities

clipdata, trimdata (structs), maptriml, maptrimp (lat/lon)

equal area conversion: eqa2grn, grn2eqa statistics: hista, histr,stddist, meanm, stdm,

conversion: deg/rad/nm/sm/km 2 deg/rad/nm/sm/km (e.g. deg2km)

hr2hms etc.

almanac('earth', ['radius'|'volume'|'geoid'|'surfarea'[, 'everest'|'clarke66'|...[, 'km'|'deg'|'nm'|'sm'|'rad'|'meters']]])

.MAT files

coast.mat	polygons	(lat, long)
worldlo.mat	geostructs	Dnline (drainage), DNPatch, POline (political) POpatch, POtext, PPpoint
		(Populated places), Pptext
worldmtx.mat	grid (1°x1°)	map (195 countries), maplegend, nations (195 names),clrmap (useful colormap)
oceanlo.mat	grid	oceanmask
topo.mat	grid (1°x1°)	topo, toplegend, topomap1, topmap2 (colormaps)
usalo.mat	geostruct	conus, greatlakes, state, stateborder, gtlakelat, gtlakelon (patch), states (line)
usahi.mat	geostruct	statelin, statepatch, statetext
usamtx.mat	grid	mpa, maplegend, clrmap (useful colormap), states (names)
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3rd Party

Worldwide 1°x1°

[map,maplegend]=etopo5(scale,latlim,lonlim)

[map,maplegend]=tbase(scale,latlim,lonlim)

Worldwide 1km x 1km

[map,maplegend]=dted(file)

[map,maplegend]=gtopo30(file,scale,latlim,lonlim) edcwww.cr.usgs.gov/landdac/gtopo30/gotopo30

Vegetation & AVHRR

[map,maplegend]=avhrrgoode('global',file,scale,latlim,lonlim)