Lecture II

Few recommendations about you

- 1. When you do not know something (for example what Kronecker product or the Pascal triangle are) search *first* in www.wikipedia.org, then ask to your collegues and just finally ask to me. When you will program most probably me and your collegues won't be there to help you.
- 2. When you do not know how to use a function before asking write "help nameofthefunction" (for example help mean) in the command window, read carefully the instructions, and try to understand the basic features of the function and how to adapt it to your problem.
- 3. When you get an error do not get panic, read what Matlab is telling you: usually it will try to help you. If you do not understand immediately the mistake try to decompose your expression in simple smaller parts.
- 4. Learning how to program is a trial-and-error process do not get frustrated, it takes time to write a code.

And about the problem sets

- 5. Each problem set contains more exercises than you can face in 30minutes, you may do the rest by yourself at home.
- 6. To make the class useful for all of you, exercises have different degree of complexity. Some are trivial some are harder and of course some are wrong: you are supposed to understand why and correct them.
- 7. Even if an exercise looks trivial try to do it anyway, I'm sure it will not be as trivial as you though [please search overconfidence and overestimation in www.wikipedia.org]

Problem Set I [Matrix Access]

1 2 3 1. Given A=4 5 6 access 1, 3, 7, 9 using row-column index. Write A(1), A(2), A(3), A(4) do you 7 8 9

understand what's going on? If yes, Access 6 by linear indexing.

A(1,1), A(1,3), A(3,1), A(3,3). Writing A(1), A(2), A(3), A(4) you should get 1 4 7 2 . A(8)

1 2

2. Find a function that tells you how many rows and how many columns has matrix A=3 4

5 6

[r c]=size(A)

3. Find an instructions that tell you how many elements are in A. Can you get the same results knowing the number of columns and rows of A?

numel(A), [r c]=size(A) then numel(A)=r*c

- 1 0 0 0
- 4. Given $B= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ access its
 - 0 0 0 1
 - a. first row
 - b. last row
 - c. first column,
 - d. second column
 - e. two rows
 - f. last two columns
 - g. rows 1 and 3
 - h. columns 2 and 4
 - i. columns 5
 - j. rows 5

B(1,:),B(end,:) or B(4,:),B(:,1),B(:,2),B(1:2,:),B(:,3:4) or $B(:,end-1:end),B([1\ 3],:),B(:,[2\ 4]),$ you can not access the 5^{th} row or the 5^{th} column of a 4x4 Matrix

5. Given B of point 4 obtain the submatrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ B(1:2,1:2) or B(3:4,3:4)

1 5 6 5

6. Given C= 2 1 5 6 access the main diagonal (i.e. [1 1 1 1]),and the two minor diagonals: [5 5 4 3 2 1 5] and [2 2 2]

diag(C), diag(C, 1), diag(C, -1)

7. Given C in previous point what happen if input tril(C)+triu(C)? does it make sense to you? What about triu(C,1)+tril(C,-1)? Find a way of getting exactly C using triu()+tril()

tril(C,-1)+triu(C) or tril(C)+triu(C,1)

tril(C,-1),triu(C,2)

- 9. Given A=randi([0 10],1,10) do the following
 - a. Input find(A>5). Do you get all the elements in A that are > 5? Do you get a kind of "indexing"? If yes, which kind of indexing, "linear" or "row-column"? no, just their linear index
 - b. Using information in point a. retrieve the elements in A that are >5 A(A>5)
 - c. Input find (A>5 & A<8). Can you explain the result? If yes obtain a vector that contains the elements in A that are between 5 and 8.

 A(find (A>5 & A<8))
 - d. What happends if you input find (A>5 & A<4), find (A>5 | A<4) and find (A>=5 | A<4)? empty matrix, there's no number that can be at the same time >5 and <4 returns the index of all the number except 5 returns the index of all the numbers
 - e. Find the elements in A such that $a \in [0,2] \cup [8,10]$ $A(find((A>=0 \& A<=2) \mid (A>=8 \& A<=10)))$
 - f. Find the elements in A such that $\alpha \in (0,2] \cup [8,10)$ $A(find((A>0 \& A<=2) \mid (A>=8 \& A<10)))$
 - g. Find the elements in A such that $a \in [0,2] \cap [8,10]$ A(find((A>=0 & A<=2) & (A>=8 & A<=10))) returns an empty matrix
 - h. Find the elements in A that are less than 5 but different from 0 $A(find(A<5 \& A\sim=0))$
 - i. Find the elements in A that are less than 5 or different from 0 $A(find(A<5 \mid A\sim=0))$
- 10. Given matrix A in point 9, do the following
 - a. Input A>5. Can you understand the difference between find(A>5) and A>5? does not return an index but a logical vector where 1 stays for "true" and 0 for "false"
 - b. Using information in point a retrieve the elements in A that are >5 A(A>5)
- 11. Why the output of 1>1 is 0 and of 1>=1 is 1?

1 is not strictly bigger than 1 therefore 1>1 is false

1 is equal 1 therefore 1>=1 is true (to be true just one of the two conditions ">" or "=" must be satisfied)

12. Can you understand the output of 1~=1,1==1, 1~=~1, (1~=1 & 1==1), (1~=1 | 1==1)? Despite they might seem useless (they concerns Aristotle' Logic indeed) they can be very useful when you will program...and of course in case you want to read Aristotle' works.

1 is equal 1 therefore "1 different from 1" is false and the output is 0!

- 1 is equal 1 therefore the output is 1 (true).
- 1 is different from not 1, therefore the output is 1 (true).

 $1^{\sim}=1$ is false, 1==1 is true and the whole statement is false (to be true both must be true)

 $1^{\sim}=1$ is false, 1==1 is true and the whole statement is true (to be true at least one statement must be true)

13. Input B=randi([0 1],1,10), what happen if you write A(B)? Why matlab does not allow this operation? Why it allows A(logical(B))? [hint: input "help logical" in command window, then write C=A>5, go to your workspace –see lecture 1- and compare what's written under the label "Value" For your B and C]

it returns '??? Subscript indices must either be real positive integers or logicals.' Since 0 is not real positive Matlab does not allow the operation and you have to convert the numbers in B in logical statements.

14. Given A=randn(5) set all the negative elements to 0 and all the positive ones to 1

A(A<0)=0

A(A>0)=1

15. Given matrix A in the previous point set all the negative elements in the first row to zero.

A(1,find(A(1,:)<0))=0

16. Given A and B both equal to $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$, can you understand the output isequal(A,B), isequal(A,B)==1 and isequal(A,B)==0. What could you use instead of the function "isequal"?

since A is qual to B then the function returns 1 (true) since is true that A is equal to B than the output is 1 (true) since is false that A is not equal to B the output is 0 (false) A==B can be used

1 2 3 0 0 0 1 2 3 17. Given A=4 5 6 obtain B=0 5 6 and C=4 0 0 using function pascal(3) and the logical 7 8 9 0 8 9 7 0 0 operator s "==" "~=" [hint: A(pascal(3)...)=...]

A(pascal(3)==1)=0 A(pascal(3) ~=1)=0

1 2 3 4 0 2 0 0 0 0 3 0
18. Given
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$
 obtain $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 & 8 \\ 9 & 0 & 11 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ using function 13 14 15 16 0 0 15 0 0 14 0 0 hankel(1:4,4:-1:1) and logical operator "~=" [hint A(hankel(1:4,4:-1:1) ~=...)=0]

19. Given A in point 17 what happen if you write A([1 2 3; 2 3 2; 3 2 1]). Why you get different results every time you write A(randi([1 9],3))? Why you might get an error if you write A(randi([1 10],3))? Why you will have almost surely an error writing A(randi([1 20],3))? It extracts some entries of A, according to their linear indexing It extracts a random sample from A

You might get an error because it might extract 10 but since the matrix is 3X3 there's no 10^{th} element.

Because most probably you will get a number higher than 9

20. Given matrix A in point 18 substitutes the elements in its main diagonal (i.e. 1 6 11 16) with zeros [hint use eye(), the function logical()]

A(logical(eye(size(A))))=0

Problem Set II [Single Matrix Manipulation]

1. Given a matrix
$$M= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 by adding a row and then a column obtain a matrix $M= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$M=[M; 1:2] M=[M (1:3)']$$

$$M(1:2,:)=[]$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 4. & \text{From matrix M obtain a Matrix M2=0} & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$$

$$M(:,3)=[]$$

$$0$$
 0 1 5. From matrix M obtain a Matrix M3= 0 0 2

$$M(3,:)=[]$$

6. Concatenate, if Matlab allows it, horizontally and vertically these couples of matrices

$$A1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $A2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 \\ \text{B1=0} & 1 \text{ and B2=} \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

 $M=[A1\ A2]$ is possible M=[A1;A2] is not they do not have the same numb of cols $M=[B1\ B3]$ is not possible M=[B1;B3] it is

7. From C1= $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ obtain a column vector and a row vector using reshape function

9. What's the difference between transpose(1:10), (1:10)' and 1:10'? why transpose (1:10)' is equal to 1:10?

transpose(1:10) is the same of (1:10)'. 1:10' is different, i.e. is still a row vector because the transpose operator acts only on 10, and being a scalar we know that n'=n because (x')'=x

10. Apply to a matrix 4x4 of uniform random integer numbers between 1 and 10 the functions sort and flipud, what's the difference?

function "sort" sorts the value row by row function flipud just swaps the rows

11. Given the previous matrix, sort the numbers by row and not by column. Would you get the same result using function fliplr?

sort(X,2), you will not get the same result

12. Using Kronecker product, from a matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ obtain the following matrices

13. Obtain matrix d) in previous point using repmat() and matrix a) using function blkdiag()

repmat(A,2,2) blkdiag(A,A)

1 2 3 5 6 14. Read the documentation for the function circshift and from A=4 5 6 obtain B=7 8 9 8 7 2 6 4 C=9 7 8 2 1 3 B=circshift(A,[2]) C=circshift(A,[2 1]) 15. Given matrix A in previous point, can you see the difference between rot90(A) and A'? what happen if you write rot90(A,1) rot90(A,2) rot90(A,3) rot90(A,4)? what if rot90(A,5)? rot90(A) is different from A', rot90(A,5) is equal to rot90(A,1) 1 2 3 16. From matrix A=4 5 6 obtain a column vector a=[1 2 3 4 9]'. Applying reshape(A,9,1) is not 7 enough... reshape(A',9,1)17. Generate a population of 20 random variables from a N(1,2) and pick randomly from it a sub sample of 5 observations (do not worry if the same variable appear more than once i.e. sample with replacement) R=random('norm',1,2,20,1) R(randi([1 20],1,5)) 18. Generate a matrix of ones of random rows and columns dimensions (no bigger than 10x10). ones(ceil(rand*10),ceil(rand*10)) 19. Given A=[(1:4)' 2*(1:4)'] Can you explain why rank(A)=1 while rank(B) =2 where B=[(1:4)' (1:2:8)']in matrix A the second column is the double of the first therefore there is just one linear independent column 20. Given A=eye(5), why trace(A)=sum(diag(A))=5? By definition of trace: the sum of the elements in the diagonal 21. Given A=randi([10 20],10), why A*inv(A) is equal to eye(size(A)))? by definition of inverse matrix, $A * A^{-1} = I$ 22. Why L*U=A where L and U are obtained by [L U]=lu(A). read the output of help lu

Problem Set III [Multiple Matrices Manipulation]

1. Compute
$$\sqrt{2} \ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \ \sqrt[4]{2} \ \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{2}} \ \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sqrt[5]{2^3}}}$$

2. Compute
$$\frac{4}{\log 21}$$
 $\frac{4}{0}$ $\frac{0}{0}$

3. Compute
$$e^{\log 25}$$
 $\log e^5$

4. What's the difference for matlab between 4/2 and 4\2?

$$\frac{4}{2}$$
 and $\frac{2}{4}$

5. Compute
$$\frac{\sqrt{(\log e^{4})/2}}{2\pi}$$

6. Add
$$v1=2$$
 to $v2=\frac{1}{3}$; Subtract $v1=2$ from $v2=1$ 2 3. If Matlab gives you an error make some $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{3}$

changes in order to make the operations possible.

v1-v1 is not possible since they do not have the same size v2-v1 is not possible since v1 is a column vector while v2 is a row vector

7. Multiply
$$v1=\frac{2}{3}$$
 with $v2=1$ 2; do the reverse, multiply $v2$ with $v1$. Without inputing the two

operations in the command window can you "predict" which is possible (and why)? v1*v2 equals a matrix v2*v1 is not possible

8. Multiply v1=
$$\frac{1}{1}$$
 with v2=1 $\frac{1}{1}$ 0 1; do the reverse multiply v2 with v1

¹ Use the helper to find how to compute natural logarithm and exponential

9. Given $v1=[1\ 2\ 3]$ and $v2=[2\ 4\ 6]$. What's the difference between v1./v2 and $v2.\v1?$

v1./v2 is equal
$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{4} \frac{3}{6}$$

v2.\v2 is equal $\frac{2}{1} \frac{4}{2} \frac{6}{3}$

10. Multiply vector v1=2 and v2=4 in such a way to get v3= 8
$$3 \qquad 6 \qquad 12$$

$$v3=v1.*v2$$

11. Given three stocks with the following returns r_1 =0.02 r_2 = -0.03 r_3 = 0.05 Compute the return of a portfolio with the following weights ω_1 =0.3 ω_2 = 0.6 ω_3 = 0.1. [hint. $R^{port} = \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i \ R_i$]

None of them is possible since M1 and M2 do not have the same size

inputing the two operations in the command window can you "predict" which of the two operations is impossible (and why)?

M1*M2 is possible since the number of columns of M1 is equal to the number of rows of M2 M2*M1 is not possible the commutative property does not hold for matrices

14. Given
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ compute C=A*B and D=B*A. Are C and D equal? If yes, why?

they are different

B*A=A, the other 4 operations make some changes in the order of the rows of A

16. Given three stocks with variance $\sigma_1^2=0.6$ $\sigma_2^2=-0.4$ $\sigma_3^2=0.1$ and covariance $\sigma_{12}=0.9$ $\sigma_{13}=-0.4$ $\sigma_{23}=0.3$, compute the variance of a portfolio with weights $\omega_1=0.4$ $\omega_2=0.2$ $\omega_3=1-\omega_1-\omega_2$ using the usual formula $\sigma_p^2=\omega' S \omega$. Is there anything strange in the inputs?

PortVariance=w'*S*w

Variance can not be negative by definition therefore σ_2^2 =-0.4 is wrong

17. Given v1=1 2 3 and M1=ones(3) compute v2=v1^2, M2=M1^3 and M3= M.^3. Can you explain why you get such results?

$$v2=1^2 \quad 2^2 \quad 3^2$$

M2=M1 *M1*M1

M3 is a matrix where each elements appears at power of 3

18. Given a=[1 1 1] and A=4 $$ 5 $$ 6 what happen if you do the following a*A, A*a, a'*A,a'*A? Are you 7 $$ 8 $$ 9

able to "predict" which operation is possible which not?

a'*A is a 3x1 column vector

19. Build a two Nobsx1 vectors k and y where each entry of y is $y_t = 3 + 0.5 * X_{1t} + 0.9 * X_{2t} + \varepsilon_t$ where $X_{it} \sim N(i,2)$ and $\varepsilon_t \sim N(0,1)$; each entry of k is $k_t = 3 + 0.5 * X_{1t} + 0.9 * X_{2t}$ where $X_{it} \sim N(i,2)$. Using the standard OLS formula estimate $\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ where X is your data

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$$X_{1,1}$$
 $X_{2,1}$

matrix, in this case: : : . Do it for Nobs=50, Nobs=1000 and Nobs=5000. Which results
$$1 \quad X_{1,50} \quad X_{2,50}$$

do you expect for the betas computed using y and k?

Since we simulated the data with an error term, we expect that Betas for y are respectively around 3 0.5 and 0.9, with the estimates getting closer to the real values as Nobs increase.

Since we simulated the data with no error term, we expect that Betas for k are respectively exactly 3 0.5 and 0.9 independently on the Nobs.

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Nobs=5000

X1=normrnd(1,2,Nobs,1)

X2=normrnd(2,2,Nobs,1)

y=3*ones(Nobs,1)+0.5*X1+0.9*X2+randn(Nobs,1)

X=[ones(Nobs,1) X1 X2]

Beta=[inv(X'*X)*X'*y]

Nobs=100

X1=normrnd(1,2,Nobs,1)

X2=normrnd(2,2,Nobs,1)

k=3*ones(Nobs,1)+0.5*X1+0.9*X2

X=[ones(Nobs,1) X1 X2]

Beta=[inv(X'*X)*X'*k]
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20. Given A= $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{2}{4}$ compute B=inv(A) and C=1./A. Can you explain the results? $B=A^{-1}$ while $C=\frac{1}{1}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{4}$

21. Using the product of two vectors write the multiplication table

22. Given a=randi([0 1],10,1) create vector b such that has the same length of a but where a has a 1 b has 0 and viceversa when a has 0 b has 1

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abs(a-1)
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23. Using product vector compute the sum of the elements in v1=[1 2 3 4 5]

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ones(5,1)*v1'
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24. Using product vector write 10

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ones(1,10)*ones(10,1)
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25. Using product vector replicate the result of X= repmat((1:3)',1,5)

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(1:3)'*ones(1,5)
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26. Using product vector replicate the result of X=repmat((1:3),5,1)

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ones(5,1)*(1:3)
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27. Write these two series: 2 4 8 16 32 64 128 256 512... and 1 4 9 16 25 36 49 64 81 100 using the power operator

28. Given matrix A of exercise 14 build a matrix B whose first row is the sum of row 1 and 2 of matrix A, whose second row is the sum of row 2 and 3 whose last row is the sum of row 1,2 and 3 of matrix A.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \textit{Use matrix G=0} & 1 & 1 \\ & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array}$$

29. Given a 10x2 matrix of r.v I.I.N(1,2), build the corresponding demaned values

30. Given the demenead values, standardize them [recall that if $\frac{x-\mu}{2}$ | $\frac{x-\mu}$

$$x \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$
 then $z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$ with $z \sim N(0, 1)$]

Standardized=Demeaned./(ones(10,1)*sqrt(var(X)))