

**MATH 2720 Introduction to Programming with MATLAB**  
**Homework 1 (Due 9/9 Thur., 9:29 AM)**

Create script files for each problem,

hw1\_p1\_yourlastname.m,  
hw1\_p2\_yourlastname.m,  
hw1\_p3\_yourlastname.m,  
hw1\_p4\_yourlastname.m

containing commands to carry out the following calculations. Please email your files (attached) to me at [minhyung\\_cho@uml.edu](mailto:minhyung_cho@uml.edu)

1. The prices of an oak tree and a pine tree are \$54.95 and \$39.95, respectively. Find the total cost of 16 oak trees and 20 pine trees, rounded of to the nearest dollar.
2. The combined resistance  $R_T$  of three resistors in parallel is given by

$$R_T = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}},$$

where  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  are the resistance of the three resistors. Assign the values 10, 25, and 40 to  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  and calculate the value of  $R_T$

3. The monthly payment  $M$  on a loan amount  $P$  for  $y$  years and interest rate  $r$  is given by

$$M = \frac{Pr/12}{1 - (1 + r/12)^{-12y}}$$

Define the variables  $P = 85000$ ,  $y = 15$ , and  $r = 0.05$ . Calculate both the monthly payment  $M$  and the total amount of money  $T$  paid over the life of the loan.

4. The ideal gas laws relates the pressure  $p$ , volume  $V$ , and the temperature  $T$  of an ideal gas:

$$pV = nRT$$

where  $n$  is the number of moles of gas and  $R = 8.31$  joule/K·mole is the universal gas constant. Calculate the pressure of 2 moles of an ideal gas at a temperature of 300 K and a volume of 0.1 m<sup>3</sup>.