

# MATLAB® Assignment Report written in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

Joseph Pym, SiD: 8404110

Due 14 December, 2018

## Contents

<b>1</b>	<b>Task 1: Collision-less Brownian Motion</b>	<b>2</b>
1.1	Task a) Plotting the Walls . . . . .	2
1.2	Task b) Updating the Particles Positions . . . . .	2
1.3	Task c) Adding a Trace behind Particles . . . . .	3
1.4	Task d) Action of Gravity . . . . .	3
1.5	Task e) Loss of Energy on Collision . . . . .	4
1.6	Task f) Plot of Total System Energy . . . . .	4
1.7	Task g) Approach for Particle Motion with Collisions between Particles . . . . .	4
<b>2</b>	<b>Task 2: Symbolic Algebra</b>	<b>4</b>
2.1	Task a) Stationary Points of $y(x)$ . . . . .	5
2.2	Task b) Second Derivatives of $y(x)$ . . . . .	5
2.3	Task c) Plotting a Graph of a Function . . . . .	5
2.4	Task d) Integration of $y(x)$ . . . . .	6
<b>3</b>	<b>Conclusion</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Appendices: Matlab Codes</b>	<b>7</b>
4.1	Code for Task 1a) and 1b) . . . . .	7
4.2	Code for Task 1c) . . . . .	8
4.3	Code for Task 1d) . . . . .	8
4.4	Code for Task 1e) and 1f) . . . . .	9
4.5	Pseudocode for Task 1g) . . . . .	9
4.6	Code for Task 2) . . . . .	10

# 1 Task 1: Collision-less Brownian Motion

## 1.1 Task a) Plotting the Walls

To generate a random amount of particles, I used<sup>1</sup> the code referenced 1. To generate the polar coordinates for the  $x$  and  $y$  values of each particle (compared code with standard maths), I used the code referenced 2.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Na} &= \text{randi}([100 \ 500], 1, 1); \\ \text{Theta} &= 360 * \text{rand}(\text{Na}, 1, 1); \\ \text{Ra} &= 100 * \text{rand}(\text{Na}, 1, 1); \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

<u>Maths Formulae:</u>	<u>In my code:</u>	
$x = r \cos \theta$	<code>xa=ra.*cosd(theta);</code>	(2)
$y = r \sin \theta$	<code>ya=ra.*sind(theta);</code>	

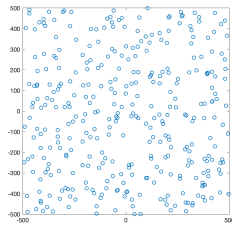
My plot is created in lines 10 to 13 in Appendix 4.1. Lines 15 to 17 in this appendix gives each individual particle a random velocity<sup>2</sup>. The variables that are defined in this task are given in Table 1.

Variable	Job of Variable
<code>Na</code>	Random number of particles generated ( $100 \leq \text{Na} \leq 500$ )
<code>theta</code> ( $\theta$ )	A randomly generated angle the particles are sent at ( $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ )
<code>ra</code>	The distance from the centre the particle is generated at ( $0 \leq \text{ra} \leq 100$ )
<code>xa</code> , <code>ya</code>	The polar coordinates for $x$ and $y$ respectively
<code>ha</code>	The plot
<code>va</code>	The randomly generated velocity ( $10 \leq \text{va} \leq 50$ )
<code>vxa</code> , <code>vya</code>	This calculates the horizontal and vertical components of the velocity
<code>ta</code>	Time passed
<code>dta</code>	The time step

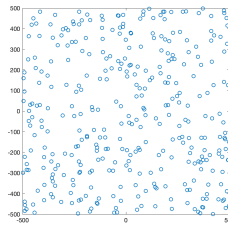
Table 1: Variables used in task 1a, and their jobs

## 1.2 Task b) Updating the Particles Positions

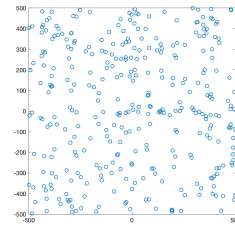
After the code from Section 1.1, I used a while loop. I implimented the equation  $v = v_0 + at$ , and used `h.XData` and `h.YData` to update the positions on the plot. This while loop is between lines 25 and 30 in Appendix 4.1.



(a) Screenshot 10



(b) Screenshot 15



(c) Screenshot 25

Figure 1: Some of the screenshots from code ref. 3

This code sends the particles off in a random direction at a random velocity, however it does not 'bounce' off the wall. In order to solve this, I used the `find` command (lines 32-35 in Appendix 4.1). To take the screenshots

<sup>1</sup>I used `Na` instead of just `N` to distinguish it from any other variables I would wish to call `N` in future tasks.

<sup>2</sup>Between 10 and 50 units

required, I used modulo arithmetic take screenshots every time  $t$  is a multiple of 10. The code I used for is referenced 3. Some screenshots created by this are shown in figure 1.

```
if mod(ta,10)==0 ta<=250
    filename = ['screenshot_taskb_' num2str(ta/10) '.png'];
    saveas(gcf,filename)
end
```

(3)

### 1.3 Task c) Adding a Trace behind Particles

The first part is similar to Task 1a). I started off by changing:

- any variable ending with **a** to **c** (i.e. **xa**  $\Rightarrow$  **xc** )
- the line **figure(1)**  $\Rightarrow$  **figure(2)**
- the line **Na = randi([100 500],1,1);**  $\Rightarrow$  **Nc = randi([20 40],1,1);** (as only a few particles are needed).
- the time limit: the **while** loop is now until **t <= 100** .
- the number of screenshots: there is now only one when **tc == 99**

With the help of an M-file Alex shared (Pedcenko, 2018 [2]), I added several features to my code, referenced 4. The output of this is shown in figure 2.

**With the previous variable definitions:**

```
Xc = [xc];
Yc = [yc];
for i = 1:Nc
    trc(i) = plot(Xc(:,i),Yc(:,i),'-k');
end
```

**Within the loop creating particle motion:**

```
Xc = [Xc; xc];
Yc = [Yc; yc];
hc.XData = xc;
hc.YData = yc;
for i = 1:Nc
    trc(i).XData=Xc(:,i);
    trc(i).YData=Yc(:,i);
end
```

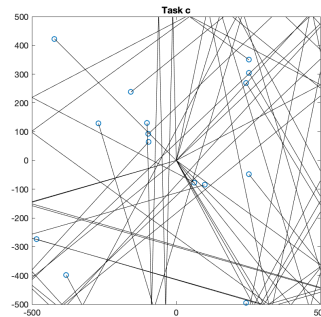
(4)


Figure 2: The figure resulting from the code ref. 4

### 1.4 Task d) Action of Gravity

Defining **g=9.8** , I added an updated calculation for **vvd** :  $v = v_0 + gt$ , by **vvd = vvd-g\*dt** . The only major change from the previous code is shown in Appendix 4.3.

## 1.5 Task e) Loss of Energy on Collision

For this task, I used a lot of the code from Task a). I added two variables to the ones in Table 1, defined in Table 2. When a particle hits the wall, its `en` value loses 10%. Its velocity is then multiplied by the new energy, so the particle slows down after each bounce. The code ref. 5 is used for this ( $x$  values. For  $y$  values,  $\mathbf{x} \Rightarrow \mathbf{y}$ ).

Name	Job of Variable	Defined as
<code>En</code>	Array containing the energy of each individual particle	<code>= ones(Ne,1);</code>
<code>Toten</code>	Plot of the time passed again the total energy in the system	<code>= plot(te,sum(en),'c+:');</code>

Table 2: Variables added to those in Tab. 1 for task 1e).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{en}(\text{wallxe}) &= 0.9 * \text{en}(\text{wallxe}); \\ \text{vxe}(\text{wallxe}) &= \text{vxe}(\text{wallxe}) * -1 * \text{en}(\text{wallxe}); \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Some improvements I would make with this task include:

- making the particles move smoother in the figure,
- not having the particles leave the boundary at all, and
- starting the particles at random points in task d) instead of the origin.

## 1.6 Task f) Plot of Total System Energy

To plot the sum of the energy of the particles from previous tasks, I added the variable `eni` ( $i$  is the task), and then added a new figure to them. Prior to the motion creating while loop, I added the code referenced 6. In the while loop causing the particle motion, I added the second part of the code in Appendix 4.4. However, I didn't manage to get the line to stay. When I added similar code for tasks c) and d)<sup>3</sup>, I saw that in:

- Tasks c) and d), the total energy is constant throughout.
- Task e), the total energy starts off constant, but begins decaying as soon as there are collisions.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{figure}(z) && z \in \mathbb{R} \\ &\text{eni} = \text{ones}(Ni,1) && i \text{ is the task} \\ &\text{toteni} = \text{plot}(\text{ti}, \text{sum}(\text{eni}), 'c+:'); \\ &\text{hold on} \\ &\text{axis manual} \\ &\text{axis}([0 \ u \ 0 \ (Ni+5)]) && u \text{ is the time limit} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

## 1.7 Task g) Approach for Particle Motion with Collisions between Particles

If I were to create a code for this to happen, I would use the `find` function, similar to how I generated the 'bounce'. To show what I would do, I have used a pseudocode for MATLAB®, which is in appendix 4.5.

## 2 Task 2: Symbolic Algebra

My cubic equation to complete the second task is:

$$y(x) = -3x^3 + 12x^2 - 9x - 9 \quad (7)$$

To help with this task I used the Week 5 worksheet [3]. I had to firstly define  $y(x)$ . In order to do this, I used `syms x`, which introduces the symbolic variable  $x$ . I defined  $y(x)$  by `y = -3 * x^3 + 12 * x^2 - 9 * x - 9`.

<sup>3</sup>I removed the code from task c) because it interefered with figure 2

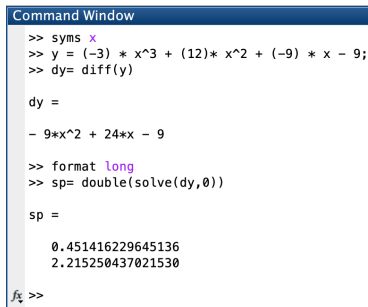
## 2.1 Task a) Stationary Points of $y(x)$

To find the stationary points, I differentiated, using the command `dy = diff(y)`. My new variable, `dy` is equal to  $\frac{d}{dx}[y(x)] = -9x^2 + 24x - 9$ . To solve for when  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ , I used the code referenced 8. This gives the  $x$  coordinates for the stationary points, as an array. In order to find the corresponding  $y$  coordinates, I used the code referenced 9.

```
dy=diff y
format long
sp=double(solve(dy,0))
```

(8)

```
pp1=double(subs(y,x,sp(1)))
pp2=double(subs(y,x,sp(2)))
```

(9)


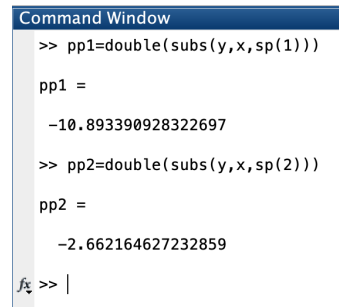
```
Command Window
>> syms x
>> y = (-3) * x^3 + (12) * x^2 + (-9) * x - 9;
>> dy= diff(y)

dy =
- 9*x^2 + 24*x - 9

>> format long
>> sp= double(solve(dy,0))

sp =
0.451416229645136
2.215250437021530
fx >>
```

(a) Code Ref. (8)



```
Command Window
>> pp1=double(subs(y,x,sp(1)))

pp1 =
-10.893390928322697

>> pp2=double(subs(y,x,sp(2)))

pp2 =
-2.662164627232859
fx >> |
```

(b) Code Ref. (9)

Once this was done, I used `pp = [pp1 pp2]`, to create an array with the  $y$  co-ordinates of the stationary values in. The coordinates to my stationary points (to six significant figures) are:

$$\begin{aligned}(x_1, y_1) &= (0.451416, -10.8934) \\ (x_2, y_2) &= (2.21525, -2.66216)\end{aligned}$$
(10)

## 2.2 Task b) Second Derivatives of $y(x)$

```
d2=diff dy;
c1=double(subs(d2,x,sp))
```

(11)

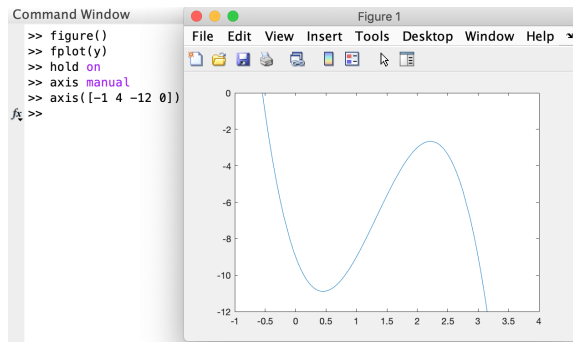
In order to assign the second derivative test to the corresponding stationary point, I used the `find` function, which is between lines 7 and 11 in Appendix 4.6. From this code, we see that  $(x_1, y_1)$  is a **local minima** and  $(x_2, y_2)$  is a **local maxima**.

## 2.3 Task c) Plotting a Graph of a Function

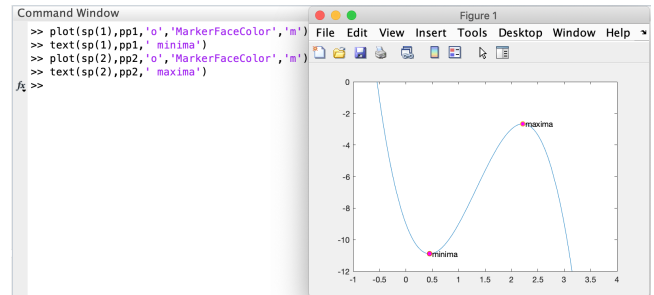
To plot  $y(x)$ , I used the `figure()` command to create a blank figure, on which  $y(x)$  can be plotted. The full code for this is between lines 12 and 16 in Appendix 4.6. This will plot the cubic equation referenced 7 between -1 and 4 in the  $x$  direction and -12 and 0 in the  $y$  direction. I chose this as both stationary points lie in this region. To add the markers if the maxima and minima (Ref. 10) I used the code referenced 12, which, in the command window, gives figure 4b.

```
plot(sp(1),pp1,'o','MarkerFaceColor','m')
text(sp(1),pp1,' minima')
plot(sp(2),pp2,'o','MarkerFaceColor','m')
text(sp(2),pp2,' maxima')
```

(12)



(a) Plot of  $y(x)$



(b) Plot of  $y(x)$  with Labels

Figure 4: Figures produced by code throughout Section 2.3

## 2.4 Task d) Integration of $y(x)$

$y(x)$  has one real root (Fig. 4a), so I integrated between the real root and the first stationary point  $(x_1, y_1)$ . I used `root = double(solve(y==0))` to find the root, and `integral = abs(double(int(y,root(1),sp(1))))` to integrate<sup>4</sup>. This gave figure 5.

```
Command Window
>> root=double(solve(y==0))

root =

-0.546818276884082 + 0.000000000000000i
 2.273409138442041 - 0.563821092829119i
 2.273409138442041 + 0.563821092829119i

>> integral=abs(double(int(y,root(1),sp(1))))

integral =

 7.497678321655504

fx >>
```

Figure 5: Integral of  $y(x)$  between the  $\mathbb{R}$  root and  $(x_1, y_1)$

We can see, if  $r$  is the point where  $y(x) = 0$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , and using  $(x_1, y_1)$  (Ref. (10), then, to seven sig. fig.:

$$\int_r^{x_1} y(x) dx = 7.497678$$

## 3 Conclusion

Prior to this semester, I had never used MATLAB® or L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X before, and I am happy with how it has gone, however there are areas of improvement:

- The plot for task 1f) does not stay,
- The particles leave the boundaries for a split second, and so go out of the figure, and
- I didn't use any mathematical equations for energy, I just did a percentage.

<sup>4</sup> `abs` ensures the inetgral is an absolute value—Area can not be negative.

## 4 Appendices: Matlab Codes

### 4.1 Code for Task 1a) and 1b)

```
1  figure(1)                                % Opens a new plot
2
3  Na    = randi([100 500],1,1); % Generates particles
4  theta= 360*rand(Na,1,1);      % Random angle between 0 and 360 deg
5  ra    = 100*rand(Na,1,1);     % Random radius less than 100 units
6  xa    = ra.*cosd(theta);
7  ya    = ra.*sind(theta);      % Polar coordinates
8
9  ha    = plot(xa,ya,'o');       % Plotting the graph
10 axis manual
11 axis([-500 500 -500 500])
12 daspect([1 1 1])
13 title('Task_1a')              % Plot title
14
15 va    = 40*rand(Na,1,1)+10;    % Random velocity 10 ? v ? 50
16 vxa   = va.*cosd(theta);       % Horizontal velocity component
17 vya   = va.*sind(theta);       % Vertical velocity component
18
19 ta    = 0;                     % Resets the time
20 dta   = 2;                     % Time 'step'
21
22 while ta<=250
23     ta = ta+dta;               % Updates time
24
25     xa = xa+vxa.*dta;          % Updates x coordinate
26     ya = ya+vya.*dta;          % Updates y coordinate
27     ha.XData = xa;             % Plots the updated x coordinate
28     ha.YData = ya;             % Plots the updated y coordinate
29     drawnow
30     pause(0.005)               % Leaves a 0.05 second gap before continuing
31
32     wallxa = find(abs(xa) >= 500); % Finds any x value outside the bounds
33     wallya = find(abs(ya) >= 500); % Finds any y value outside the bounds
34     vxa(wallxa) = vxa(wallxa)*-1; % Flips vxa of x value outside bound
35     vya(wallya) = vya(wallya)*-1; % Flips vya of y value outside bound
36
37     if mod(ta,10)==0 && ta<=250
38         filename=['screenshot_taskb_' num2str(ta/10) '.png'];
39         saveas(gcf,filename)
40     end
41 end
```

## 4.2 Code for Task 1c)

Replacing lines 7-20 in Section 4.1:

```
1 xc=zeros(1,Nc);           % Creates an array of all zeroes, size 1 x Nc
2 yc=zeros(1,Nc);
3 hc=plot(xc,yc,'o');
4 hold on
5 axis([-500 500 -500 500])
6 axis manual
7 daspect([1 1 1])
8 Xc=[xc];                  % Adds the current xc value to a vector 'Xc'
9 Yc=[yc];                  % Adds the current yc value to a vector 'Yc'
10 for i=1:Nc                % For 'Nc' times:
11     trc(i)=plot(Xc(:,i),Yc(:,i),'-k'); % Plots the trace
12 end
13 tc=0;    % Resets the timer
14 dtc=1;   % Time step
```

---

After line 27-40 in Section 4.1:

```
1 Xc=[Xc; xc];    % Adds new value of xc to Xc vector
2 Yc=[Yc; yc];    % Adds new value of yc to Yc vector
3 hc.XData=xc;
4 hc.YData=yc;
5 for i=1:Nc      % For Nc times
6     trc(i).XData=Xc(:,i); % This is the x data
7     trc(i).YData=Yc(:,i); % This is the y data
8 end
9 drawnow;
10 if tc==99      % Takes a screenshot at the end of the loop.
11     filenamec=['screenshot_taskc.png'];
12     saveas(gcf,filenamec)
13 end
14 end
```

---

## 4.3 Code for Task 1d)

Replacing lines 23 and 24 in Section 4.1:

```
1 td = td+dtd;          % Time ticks
2 vvd=vvd-g*dtd;        % Gravity now has an effect on vertical
```



## 4.4 Code for Task 1e) and 1f)

After line 21 in Section 4.1:

```
1 te = 0;
2 dte = 1;
3 figure(5) % New figure for task f)
4 en = ones(Ne,1); % Energy of all particles = 1 (100%)
5 toten= plot(te,sum(en),'c+:'); % Plots the time against sum of energies
6 hold on
7 axis manual
8 title('Total_Energy_Task_e')
```

---

Replacing all after line 29 in Section 4.1:

```
1 toten.XData = te; % x data of task f) plot is time
2 toten.YData = sum(en); % y data of task f) plot is sum of en
3 hold on
4 drawnow
5 pause(0.01)
6 wallxe = find(abs(xe) >= 500); % Finds particles outside walls
7 wallye = find(abs(ye) >= 500); % Finds particles outside top/bottom
8 en(wallxe) = 0.9 * en(wallxe); % Decreases particle energy by 10%
9 en(wallye) = 0.9 * en(wallye); % Decreases particle energy by 10%
10 vxe(wallxe) = vxe(wallxe)*-1.*en(wallxe); % The energy now has an
11 vye(wallye) = vye(wallye)*-1.*en(wallye); % effect on velocity
12 sum(en) % Prints the sum of the energy. I used this as a check.
13 end
```

## 4.5 Pseudocode for Task 1g)

```
1 if x(i)==x(j) && i not= j; % Finds particles in the same location
2
3 % The masses are the same, and the collisions are elastic
4 % Some temporary variables
5 vx(i) = vxi;
6 vy(i) = vyi;
7 theta(i) = theti;
8 vx(j) = vxj;
9 vy(j) = vyj;
10 theta(j) = thetj;
11
12 % Swapping each velocity component of i and j, and the angles
13 vx(i) = vxj;
14 vy(i) = vyj;
15 theta(i) = thetj;
16 vx(j) = vxi;
17 vy(j) = vyi;
18 theta(j) = theti;
19 end
```

## 4.6 Code for Task 2)

```
1 syms x
2 y = (-3) * x^3 + (12)* x^2 + (-9) * x - 9 % My function , y(x)
3 dy = diff(y) % Differentiates y
4 format long % Shows to 15 digits
5 sp = double(solve(dy,0)) % Finds Stationary Points
6 d2 = diff(dy) % Second Derivative of y
7 cl = double(subs(d2,x,sp)); % Stationary Pt -> Second Derivative
8 mn = find(cl > 0); % Finds when 2nd Deriv is positive
9 minimum_points = cl(mn) % This is a minimum point.
10 mx = find(cl < 0); % Finds when 2nd Deriv is negative
11 maximum_points = cl(mx) % This is a maximum point.
12 figure() % Opens an empty figure
13 fplot(y) % Plots y(x)
14 hold on % Holds the current plot
15 axis manual % Freezes any scaling
16 axis([-1 4 -12 0]) % Sets axis limits
17 pp1 = subs(y,x,sp(1)); % Finds the y value of the first SP
18 pp2 = subs(y,x,sp(2)); % Finds the y value of the second SP
19 plot(sp(1),pp1,'o','MarkerFaceColor','m')
20 text(sp(1),pp1,'_minima') % Plots 'minima' at the first SP
21 plot(sp(2),pp2,'o','MarkerFaceColor','m')
22 text(sp(2),pp2,'_maxima') % Plots 'maxima' at the second SP
23 % Because I have one real root, I will use the
24 % first stationary point and the real root
25 root = double(solve(y==0)) % Finds the roots of y(x)
26 integral = abs(double(int(y,root(1),sp(1))))
27 % Finds int of y between the root & first SP.
```

## References

- [1] MathWorks (2018) *MATLAB® Documentation (Online Help)* [online], available from:  
< <https://uk.mathworks.com/help/matlab/index.html> > [5 December 2018]
- [2] A Pedcenko (2018) *An example of a project with the trace behind M-file* [online], available from:  
< [https://cumoodle.coventry.ac.uk/pluginfile.php/2467358/mod\\_resource/content/6/N\\_projectiles.m](https://cumoodle.coventry.ac.uk/pluginfile.php/2467358/mod_resource/content/6/N_projectiles.m) > [7 December 2018]
- [3] *Matlab PC Coursework for week 5* [online], available from:  
< [https://cumoodle.coventry.ac.uk/pluginfile.php/2451903/mod\\_resource/content/2/Lab%2005%20Worksheet%20-%20Symbolic%20Math.pdf](https://cumoodle.coventry.ac.uk/pluginfile.php/2451903/mod_resource/content/2/Lab%2005%20Worksheet%20-%20Symbolic%20Math.pdf) >
- Used to help compose the *L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X* report:**
- [4] R Low (2007) *L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X: A cursory introduction*, unpublished.
- [5] JH Silverman (2007) *A<sub>M</sub>S-L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Reference Card* [online], available from  
<<http://www.math.brown.edu/~jhs/ReferenceCards/LaTeXRefCard.v2.0.pdf>> [11 December 2018]