



# MATLAB–Python–Julia cheatsheet¶

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## Dependencies and Setup¶

In the Python code we assume that you have already run `import numpy as np`

In the Julia, we assume you are using **v1.0.2 or later** with **Compat v1.3.0 or later** and have run `using LinearAlgebra, Statistics, Compat`

## Creating Vectors¶

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Row vector: size (1, n)

```
A = [1 2 3]
```

```
A = np.array([1, 2, 3]).reshape(1, 3)
```

```
A = [1 2 3]
```

Column vector: size (n, 1)

```
A = [1; 2; 3]
```

```
A = np.array([1, 2, 3]).reshape(3, 1)
```

```
A = [1 2 3]'
```

1d array: size (n, )

Not possible

```
A = np.array([1, 2, 3])
```

```
A = [1; 2; 3]
```

or

```
A = [1, 2, 3]
```

Integers from j to n with step size k

```
A = j:k:n
```

```
A = np.arange(j, n+1, k)
```

```
A = j:k:n
```

Linearly spaced vector of k points

```
A = linspace(1, 5, k)
```

```
A = np.linspace(1, 5, k)
```

```
A = range(1, 5, length = k)
```

Creating Matrices¶

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Create a matrix

```
A = [1 2; 3 4]
```

```
A = np.array([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
```

```
A = [1 2; 3 4]
```

**MATLAB****PYTHON****JULIA****2 x 2 matrix of zeros**

```
A = zeros(2, 2)
```

```
A = np.zeros((2, 2))
```

```
A = zeros(2, 2)
```

**2 x 2 matrix of ones**

```
A = ones(2, 2)
```

```
A = np.ones((2, 2))
```

```
A = ones(2, 2)
```

**2 x 2 identity matrix**

```
A = eye(2, 2)
```

```
A = np.eye(2)
```

```
A = I # will adopt  
# 2x2 dims if demanded by  
# neighboring matrices
```

**Diagonal matrix**

```
A = diag([1 2 3])
```

```
A = np.diag([1, 2, 3])
```

```
A = Diagonal([1, 2,  
3])
```

**Uniform random numbers**

```
A = rand(2, 2)
```

```
A = np.random.rand(2, 2)
```

```
A = rand(2, 2)
```

**Normal random numbers**

```
A = randn(2, 2)
```

```
A = np.random.randn(2, 2)
```

```
A = randn(2, 2)
```

**Sparse Matrices**

```
A = sparse(2, 2)  
A(1, 2) = 4  
A(2, 2) = 1
```

```
from scipy.sparse import  
coo_matrix  
  
A = coo_matrix(([4, 1],  
                ([0, 1],  
[1, 1])),  
                shape=(2,  
2))
```

```
using SparseArrays  
A = spzeros(2, 2)  
A[1, 2] = 4  
A[2, 2] = 1
```

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## Tridiagonal Matrices

```
A = [1 2 3 NaN;
      4 5 6 7;
      NaN 8 9 0]
spdiags(A', [-1 0 1], 4, 4)
```

```
import sp.sparse as sp
diagonals = [[4, 5, 6, 7],
[1, 2, 3], [8, 9, 10]]
sp.diags(diagonals, [0, -1,
2]).toarray()
```

```
x = [1, 2, 3]
y = [4, 5, 6, 7]
z = [8, 9, 10]
Tridiagonal(x, y, z)
```

## Manipulating Vectors and Matrices¶

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## Transpose

A.'

A.T

transpose(A)

## Complex conjugate transpose (Adjoint)

A'

A.conj()

A'

## Concatenate horizontally

A = [[1 2] [1 2]]

or

A = horzcat([1 2], [1 2])

```
B = np.array([1, 2])
A = np.hstack((B, B))
```

or

A = [[1 2] [1 2]]

A = heat([1 2], [1 2])

## Concatenate vertically

A = [[1 2]; [1 2]]

or

A = vertcat([1 2], [1 2])

```
B = np.array([1, 2])
A = np.vstack((B, B))
```

or

A = [[1 2]; [1 2]]

A = vcat([1 2], [1 2])

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**Reshape (to 5 rows, 2 columns)**

```
A = reshape(1:10, 5, 2)
```

```
A = A.reshape(5, 2)
```

```
A = reshape(1:10, 5, 2)
```

**Convert matrix to vector**

```
A(:)
```

```
A = A.flatten()
```

```
A[:]
```

**Flip left/right**

```
fliplr(A)
```

```
np.fliplr(A)
```

```
reverse(A, dims = 2)
```

**Flip up/down**

```
flipud(A)
```

```
np.flipud(A)
```

```
reverse(A, dims = 1)
```

**Repeat matrix (3 times in the row dimension, 4 times in the column dimension)**

```
repmat(A, 3, 4)
```

```
np.tile(A, (4, 3))
```

```
repeat(A, 3, 4)
```

**Preallocating/Similar**

```
x = rand(10)
y = zeros(size(x, 1),
size(x, 2))
```

**N/A similar type**

```
x = np.random.rand(3, 3)
y = np.empty_like(x)

# new dims
y = np.empty((2, 3))
```

```
x = rand(3, 3)
y = similar(x)
# new dims
y = similar(x, 2, 2)
```

**MATLAB****PYTHON****JULIA****Broadcast a function over a collection/matrix/vector**

```
f = @(x) x.^2
g = @(x, y) x + 2 + y.^2
x = 1:10
y = 2:11
f(x)
g(x, y)
```

Functions broadcast directly

```
def f(x):
    return x**2
def g(x, y):
    return x + 2 + y**2
x = np.arange(1, 10, 1)
y = np.arange(2, 11, 1)
f(x)
g(x, y)
```

Functions broadcast directly

```
f(x) = x^2
g(x, y) = x + 2 + y^2
x = 1:10
y = 2:11
f.(x)
g.(x, y)
```

**Accessing Vector/Matrix Elements¶****MATLAB****PYTHON****JULIA**

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## Access one element

`A(2, 2)``A[1, 1]``A[2, 2]`

## Access specific rows

`A(1:4, :)``A[0:4, :]``A[1:4, :]`

## Access specific columns

`A(:, 1:4)``A[:, 0:4]``A[:, 1:4]`

## Remove a row

`A([1 2 4], :)``A[[0, 1, 3], :]``A[[1, 2, 4], :]`

## Diagonals of matrix

`diag(A)``np.diag(A)``diag(A)`

## Get dimensions of matrix

`[nrow ncol] = size(A)``nrow, ncol = np.shape(A)``nrow, ncol = size(A)`

## Mathematical Operations¶

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## Dot product

`dot(A, B)``np.dot(A, B) or A @ B``dot(A, B)``A · B # \cdot<TAB>`

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**Matrix multiplication**`A * B``A @ B``A * B`**Inplace matrix multiplication**

Not possible

```
x = np.array([1,
2]).reshape(2, 1)
A = np.array([1, 2], [3,
4])
y = np.empty_like(x)
np.matmul(A, x, y)
```

```
x = [1, 2]
A = [1 2; 3 4]
y = similar(x)
mul!(y, A, x)
```

**Element-wise multiplication**`A .* B``A * B``A .* B`**Matrix to a power**`A^2``np.linalg.matrix_power(A, 2)``A^2`**Matrix to a power, elementwise**`A.^2``A**2``A.^2`**Inverse**`inv(A)``np.linalg.inv(A)``inv(A)`

or

`A^(-1)`

or

`A^(-1)`**Determinant**`det(A)``np.linalg.det(A)``det(A)`



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## Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

```
[vec, val] = eig(A)
```

```
val, vec = np.linalg.eig(A)
```

```
val, vec = eigen(A)
```

## Euclidean norm

```
norm(A)
```

```
np.linalg.norm(A)
```

```
norm(A)
```

## Solve linear system $Ax = b$ (when $A$ is square)

```
A\b
```

```
np.linalg.solve(A, b)
```

```
A\b
```

## Solve least squares problem $Ax = b$ (when $A$ is rectangular)

```
A\b
```

```
np.linalg.lstsq(A, b)
```

```
A\b
```

## Sum / max / min

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### Sum / max / min of each column

```
sum(A, 1)
max(A, [], 1)
min(A, [], 1)
```

```
sum(A, 0)
np.amax(A, 0)
np.amin(A, 0)
```

```
sum(A, dims = 1)
maximum(A, dims = 1)
minimum(A, dims = 1)
```

### Sum / max / min of each row

```
sum(A, 2)
max(A, [], 2)
min(A, [], 2)
```

```
sum(A, 1)
np.amax(A, 1)
np.amin(A, 1)
```

```
sum(A, dims = 2)
maximum(A, dims = 2)
minimum(A, dims = 2)
```

### Sum / max / min of entire matrix

```
sum(A(:))
max(A(:))
min(A(:))
```

```
np.sum(A)
np.amax(A)
np.amin(A)
```

```
sum(A)
maximum(A)
minimum(A)
```

### Cumulative sum / max / min by row

```
cumsum(A, 1)
cummax(A, 1)
cummin(A, 1)
```

```
np.cumsum(A, 0)
np.maximum.accumulate(A, 0)
np.minimum.accumulate(A, 0)
```

```
cumsum(A, dims = 1)
accumulate(max, A, dims = 1)
accumulate(min, A, dims = 1)
```

### Cumulative sum / max / min by column

```
cumsum(A, 2)
cummax(A, 2)
cummin(A, 2)
```

```
np.cumsum(A, 1)
np.maximum.accumulate(A, 1)
np.minimum.accumulate(A, 1)
```

```
cumsum(A, dims = 2)
accumulate(max, A, dims = 2)
accumulate(min, A, dims = 2)
```

## Programming¶

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Comment one line

**MATLAB**  
`% This is a comment`

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`# This is a comment`

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`# This is a comment`

## Comment block

```
%{  
Comment block  
%}
```

```
# Block  
# comment  
# following PEP8
```

```
#=  
Comment block  
=#
```

## For loop

```
for i = 1:N  
    % do something  
end
```

```
for i in range(n):  
    # do something
```

```
for i in 1:N  
    # do something  
end
```

## While loop

```
while i <= N  
    % do something  
end
```

```
while i <= N:  
    # do something
```

```
while i <= N  
    # do something  
end
```

## If

```
if i <= N  
    % do something  
end
```

```
if i <= N:  
    # do something
```

```
if i <= N  
    # do something  
end
```

## If / else

```
if i <= N  
    % do something  
else  
    % do something else  
end
```

```
if i <= N:  
    # do something  
else:  
    # so something else
```

```
if i <= N  
    # do something  
else  
    # do something else  
end
```

## Print text and variable

```
x = 10  
fprintf('x = %d \n', x)
```

```
x = 10  
print(f'x = {x}')
```

```
x = 10  
println("x = $x")
```

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### Function: anonymous

```
f = @(x) x^2
```

```
f = lambda x: x**2
```

```
f = x -> x^2  
# can be rebound
```

### Function

```
function out = f(x)  
    out = x^2  
end
```

```
def f(x):  
    return x**2
```

```
function f(x)  
    return x^2  
end  
  
f(x) = x^2 # not anon!
```

### Tuples

```
t = {1 2.0 "test"}  
t{1}
```

```
t = (1, 2.0, "test")  
t[0]
```

```
t = (1, 2.0, "test")  
t[1]
```

Can use cells but watch performance

### Named Tuples/ Anonymous Structures

```
m.x = 1  
m.y = 2  
  
m.x
```

```
from collections import  
namedtuple  
  
mdef = namedtuple('m', 'x  
y')  
m = mdef(1, 2)  
  
m.x
```

```
# vanilla  
m = (x = 1, y = 2)  
m.x  
  
# constructor  
using Parameters  
mdef = @with_kw (x=1, y=2)  
m = mdef() # same as above  
m = mdef(x = 3)
```

### Closures

```
a = 2.0  
f = @(x) a + x  
f(1.0)
```

```
a = 2.0  
def f(x):  
    return a + x  
f(1.0)
```

```
a = 2.0  
f(x) = a + x  
f(1.0)
```

## Inplace Modification

```
function f(out, x)
    out = x.^2
end
x = rand(10)
y = zeros(length(x), 1)
f(y, x)
```

```
def f(x):
    x **=2
    return
x = np.random.rand(10)
f(x)
```

```
function f!(out, x)
    out .= x.^2
end
x = rand(10)
y = similar(x)
f!(y, x)
```

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