

Open MATLAB and create a new LiveScript. You will turn in a zip file containing your LiveScript and a PDF of the LiveScript output. All your work during this lab should be documented in your LiveScript.

Question 1 : Vector Mathematics

a) Create three vectors ax, bx, cx containing the values shown below.

$$\begin{aligned} ax &= [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9] \\ bx &= [10.9, 11.8, 12.7, 13.6, 14.5, 15.4, 16.3, 17.2, 18.1, 19.0] \\ cx &= [-5, 0, 5, 3, 0, -3, -1, 0, 1, 0] \end{aligned}$$

b) Create a vector ay containing all the values in order from 1 to 150, and a vector by containing all the values from 1 to 150 counting by 0.75. *Hint: you shouldn't have to type all these in by hand!*

c) Demonstrate your ability at vector math by calculating :

- pix , which is ax with each element multiplied by 3.1415.
- abx , which is each element of ax multiplied by the matching element in bx .
- acx , which is each element of ax added to the matching element in cx .
- $ababx$, which is each element of abx squared.
- $byrt$, which has the square root of each element of by .

Question 2 : **Working with data** – Download the data file `lab0.csv` from the course Canvas site. This file contains data on the rate of cosmic rays observed as a function of altitude during a weather balloon flight.

a) Load the data file into MATLAB using `dlmread` or another data importation technique.

b) The first column contains the height of the balloon. Extract this column into a separate vector $h1$.

c) Due to the system in use, the height is reported in feet. Convert this into a new vector $h2$ in units of meters for proper SI analysis.

d) The second column contains the number of cosmic rays observed during a 2 minute period. Extract this column into a new vector $r1$.

e) Because this is a Poisson process (see the statistics notes), the uncertainty on the number of cosmic rays is the square root of the number observed ($\sigma_{r1} = \sqrt{r1}$). Construct a new $r1err$ vector to contain the uncertainty on the number of counts.

f) Convert the counts of cosmic rays and the uncertainty into units of Hz ($r2$ and $r2err$).

g) Make a plot with error bars showing the count in Hz as a function of altitude in meters.

Question 3 : Working with matrices

a) Create the matrix mm

$$mm = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 5 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

b) Invert the matrix mm to create $mminv$

c) Demonstrate that $mminv$ is the inverse of mm

Question 4 : LiveScript Style and Formulae

a) Add headings to your LiveScript, separate the sections, and add text to identify which question is being answered where.

b) Enter the following formulae into the LiveScript:

$$\sigma_f^2 = \sigma_x^2 a^2 / x^2 + \sigma_y^2 4b^2 / y^2$$

$$m_z = \frac{2qRB}{c}$$

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{\sigma_i^2}$$