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TEST 1: Introduction to MATLAB & Programming with MATLAB(For 2nd year Science students taking MAT 213)**Wednesday, 22nd November 2023****Time: 2 hours (from 16:30hrs)****Instructions**

- (1) *This is a closed book test* where you are expected to do the test alone without any assistance from some other person(s) or some other form of notes or communication.
- (2) *Non-programmable calculators may be used.* However, mobile phones are not allowed. If accidentally brought in, they should be switched off and packed away.
- (3) *Show your method or explanation clearly.* Most marks shown in square brackets at the end of each part are allocated to the method.
- (4) Attempt *ALL* questions.

Question 1:[43 marks]

- (a) Name **four main** features or windows of MATLAB and provide a brief description of each? [12]
- (b) For each of the following commands or symbols as used in MATLAB, describe their uses.

Command/symbol	Description
help	
;	
who, whos	
%	
clear Y	
:	
What	
&	
clc	
~	
dir or ls	
~ =	
pwd	
...	
NaN	

[15]

- (c) Define any 4×4 matrix A and extract a submatrix B consisting of rows 2 and 3 and columns 1 and 2 of the matrix A. [3]
- (d) From a matrix $A = [1 \ 2 \ 3; 4 \ 5 \ 6; 7 \ 8 \ 9]$, define a concatenated matrix $B = [A \ 10 * A; -A \ \text{eye}(3)]$. [3]
- (e) Suppose that a matrix $H_{n \times n}$ is said to be a Hadamard matrix if and only if $H = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ such that $HH^T = nI_n$ where $a_{ij} = -1$ or 1 . Given that

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Demonstrate that H is a Hadamard matrix.
- Compute the inverse of the matrix H .
- Find the eigenvalues of the matrix H .
- Hence, show that $H^{-1}H = HH^{-1} = I$

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Question 2:[30 marks]

- (a) Given the following **while...loop** MATLAB function file, provide comment on each line, and hence describe the output. [3.5]

```
function trial_3
x = 1;
while x <= 10
    x = 3*x;
    x
end
```

(b) Consider the following quadratic equation $y = 2x^2 + 3x - 4$.

- i. Express it in the form of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ and deduce the values of a, b and c . [2] 1.5
- ii. Write a MATLAB function file using an *if...else* statement to classify the type of quadratic roots of the given equation using the discriminant term $b^2 - 4ac$, where roots are imaginary, repeated, or non-repeated when $b^2 - 4ac < 0$, $b^2 - 4ac = 0$, or $b^2 - 4ac > 0$, respectively. [5.5]
- iii. Hence, describe the output of your program for the above given equation. [1.0]

(c) Consider the following system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y + 3z = 1 \\ 3x + 3y + 4z = 1 \\ 2x + 3y + 3z = 1 \end{cases}$$

- i. Derive an expression of the form $Ax = b$. [3] 1.5
- ii. Hence, write a Matlab function file to solve for x using the *LU* factorization method. [5]

(d) The square root of 2, i.e., $\sqrt{2}$ can be estimated using the recurrence equation

$$y_t = \frac{1}{2} \left(y_{t-1} + \frac{2}{y_{t-1}} \right)$$

for $t = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$, when $y_0 = 3$.

- i. Write down a pseudocode of a *for loop* function to estimate $\sqrt{2}$ when $t=[1, \dots, 7]$. [5]
- ii. Hence, use your above written pseudocode to write a MATLAB function/program file that estimates $\sqrt{2}$. [5]

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(9) We have

1) Command window - used to enter variables and to run functions and M-files. Also used to display immediate computational results.

2) Command History - used for storing of all statements or commands that we enter in the Command window.

3) Workspace - lists all the variables in use or used before so long as we have our MATLAB running

4) Current Directory - Also called the working folder which lists down all M-files during the programming process.



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(b) `help` - provides us with general Matlab features and different items to explore ①

`;` - used as a separator of rows in a defined matrix or as suppressor of output in a Matlab program file. ①

`who, whos` - provides list of all variables and their value types ①

`%` - used for commenting in a Matlab program file ①

`clear Y` - clears a specified variable `Y` or item `Y` in the workspace ①

`:` - used as an incrementor of consecutive numbers or array in a sequence ①

`what` - lists all M-files in the working folder ①

`&` - logical operator for combining two expressions or statements ①

`clc` - clearing the Command window ①

`~` - negation symbol ①

`dir` - lists all files in the current working directory ①

`~=` - not equal to ①

`pwd` - shows current working directory ①

(b) Contd

... - Shows a Continuation of Statement ①

NaN - represents an empty value ①

(c) let the 4x4 matrix A be

$$\gg A = [a, b, c, d; e, f, g, h; i, j, k, l; m, n, o, p]$$

$$\gg A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ m & n & o & p \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow ①$$

$$\gg B = (i=2:3, j=1:2) \text{ or } B = (2:3, 1:2) \quad ①$$

$$\gg B = \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ i & j \end{pmatrix} \quad ①$$

(d) Given  $A = [1, 2, 3; 4, 5, 6; 7, 8, 9]$ 

$$\gg A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\gg 10 * A = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 20 & 30 \\ 40 & 50 & 60 \\ 70 & 80 & 90 \end{pmatrix} \quad ①$$



$$\gg -A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & -3 \\ -4 & -5 & -6 \\ -7 & -8 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\gg \text{eye}(3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

Hence

$$B = [A \ 10A \ -A \ \text{eye}(3)]$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 10 & 20 & 30 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 40 & 50 & 60 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & 70 & 80 & 90 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & -5 & -6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -7 & -8 & -9 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \textcircled{1}$$



(e) Since matrix  $H_{n \times n}$  is Hadamard iff

(i)  $HH^T = nI_n$

Given  $H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $H^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

so that

$$HH^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow HH^T = 2I_2$ , It is indeed Hadamard matrix since  $H_{2 \times 2}$ .

(ii)  $H^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(H)} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

but  $\det(H) = (1)(1) - (-1)(1) = 2$

$\therefore H^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$

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(e) (iii) the eigenvalues of  $H$  are found from the solution of the equation  $\det(\lambda I - H) = 0$

Thus  $\lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$

Hence  $\lambda I - H \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -1 \\ 1 & \lambda - 1 \end{pmatrix}$

So that

$\det(\lambda I - H) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -1 \\ 1 & \lambda - 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$\Rightarrow (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 1) - (1)(-1) = 0$

$\lambda^2 - \lambda - \lambda + 1 + 1 = 0$   
 $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 2 = 0$

Thus  $\lambda = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(1)(2)}}{2(1)}$

$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2}$

$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} \text{ or } \frac{2 - \sqrt{-4}}{2}$

$\therefore \lambda_1 = 1 + 2i \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 1 - 2i$



(e) (iv) Since  $H^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$  and  $H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$H^{-1}H = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $HH^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$

$\therefore H^{-1}H = HH^{-1}$

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(a) For the program

1. function trial\_3 % defines function name (1/2)
2. x=1; % initialises the variable x=1 (1/2) (1/2)
3. while x <= 10 % sets a condition for the while
4. x = 3 \* x; % computes new sequence values of x, as long as the while condition remains TRUE (1/2)
5. end % closes the while loop. (1/2)

The output is thus (1)  
1, 3, 9, 27

(b) From the given equation  $y = 2x^2 + 3x - 4$ 

(i)  $2x^2 + 3x - 4 = 0$   
Hence  $a=2, b=3, c=-4$  }  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  for each correct value

(ii) For the Matlab program file, we have

```
function quadratic_roots(a,b,c) (1/2)
discr = b*b - 4*a*c; (1/2)
if discr < 0 (1/2)
    disp('roots are imaginary') (1/2)
elseif discr == 0 (1/2)
    disp('roots are repeated') (1/2)
else (1/2)
    disp('roots are real') (1/2)
end (1/2)
end (1/2)
```

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(b) (iii) from the values  $a=2$ ,  $b=3$ , and  $c=-4$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (3)^2 - 4(2)(-4) = 9 + 32 = 41 > 0$$

Hence, roots are real.

(c) from the system

$$x + 2y + 3z = 1$$

$$3x + 3y + 4z = 1$$

$$2x + 3y + 3z = 1$$

(i)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(ii) For Matlab function

```
function factorization_method  
A = [1 2 3; 3 3 4; 2 3 3];  
b = [1 1 1]';  
[L U] = lu(A);  
z = inv(L) * b;  
x = inv(U) * z;  
end
```



(4) If the function  $y_t = \frac{1}{2} \left( y_{t-1} + \frac{2}{y_{t-1}} \right)$   
approximate  $\sqrt{2}$  for  $t=1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ ;  $y_0 = 3$

(i) Pseudocode

- ① Input:  $n > 0$ ,  $\gamma$
- ① Output:  $(n+1)$ -terms of  $y_t$  for  $t=0:n$
- $y = 1 \times n+1$  row vector  $y(0), y(1), \dots, y(n)$
- $\frac{1}{2}$   $y_0 = \gamma = 3$ ;
- ① for  $t=1$  to  $n$ , do
 

$y = 0.5 * (\gamma + 2/\gamma)$  ①
- $\frac{1}{2}$  end

(ii) MATLAB Program

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function [y] = root_two (gamma) ①
    n=7; ②
    for t=1:n; ③
        y = 0.5 * (gamma + 2/(gamma)); ④
        gamma = y; ⑤
    end
    disp (y) ⑥
end ⑦
    
```

