

Lab 01 - Introduction to Matlab

1. Objective

Introducing students to the Matlab development environment.

2. Theoretical aspects

The following aspects shall be explained

2.1 Matlab Window

Main windows:

- Command line
- Editor
- Workspace

One can write commands directly at Command Line, or write a script file and run it. For one-liners, write them in command line. For longer programs, use a separate script (using a script is the recommended way).

2.2. Scalar-based operations

Define scalar variables:

```
a = 5
```

```
a = 5
```

```
b = 8.4
```

```
b = 8.4000
```

Ending command with a semicolon (;) suppresses the output in the command window. Operation is still executed. Using ; is recommended practice.

```
a = 7
```

```
a = 7
```

```
b = 5;
```

Do arithmetic operations with scalars (+ - * / ^):

```
c = a/b
```

```
c = 1.4000
```

```
d = a^2 + 7*b - 3;
```

Logical operations (comparisons etc):

```
a > b
```

```
ans = logical
      1
```

```
l = (c <= d)
```

```
l = logical
      1
```

Trigonometric functions and predefined constants (pi):

```
x = cos(2.5*pi)
```

```
x = 3.0616e-16
```

Other functions (exponential, logarithm, square root etc.):

```
y = exp(x) + log10(7.5/a) + sqrt(44)
```

```
y = 7.6632
```

2.3 Array-based operations (vectors / matrices)

Define arrays with [...]:

```
V = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] % V is a vector (values arranged in a row)
```

```
V = 1x5
      1      2      3      4      5
```

```
A = [1, 2, 3; 4, 5, 6; 7, 8, 9] % A is a matrix. Each row ends with ;
```

```
A = 3x3
      1      2      3
      4      5      6
      7      8      9
```

Create matrices full of 0 or 1 with functions zeros() and ones():

```
A = zeros(3,5); % Make a matrix of size 3x5 full of zeros
B = ones(1, 1000); % Make a vector of 1000 elements all equal to 1
C = 7*ones(1, 20000); % Make a vector of 20000 elements equal to 7
```

Defining vectors via start:step:stop or linspace():

```
D = 7:0.01:10; % Make a vector going from 7 to 10 with steps of 0.1
E = linspace(10, 100, 50); % Make a vector going from 10 to 100 in 50 equal steps
```

Array indexing, access to elements, modifying some values

Note: indexing starts at 1, not 0 like in C/Java/Python etc. First element of a vector is V(1)

```
A(2,3) = 55;
V(2) = 4;
i = 3; V(i) = 56.789;
V2 = V(3:5) % Take from V only from 3rd element to 5th element
```

```
V2 = 1×3
    56.7890    4.0000    5.0000
```

```
V3 = V(3:end)           % Take from V only from 3rd element to the end
```

```
V3 = 1×3
    56.7890    4.0000    5.0000
```

Select rows or columns from a matrix:

```
A = [1,2,3; 4,5,6; 7,8,9]; % Let's make a matrix
Apartial = A(1,:)          % Take from A row 1 and columns all. Result is a row vector.
```

```
Apartial = 1×3
    1     2     3
```

```
Ap2 = A(:,2)             % Take from A rows all and column 2. Result is a column vector.
```

```
Ap2 = 3×1
    2
    5
    8
```

```
Asmall = A(1:2, 1:2)      % Take from A rows 1 to 2, columns 1:2. Result is a 2x2 submatrix
```

```
Asmall = 2×2
    1     2
    4     5
```

Arithmetic operations with arrays:

```
A = [1, 2, 3];
B = [3, 3, 4];
C = [1, 1, 1; 2, 2, 2; 3, 3, 3]
```

```
C = 3×3
    1     1     1
    2     2     2
    3     3     3
```

```
D = A+B;    % sum of two vectors = a vector
E = A*C;    % 1x3 vector multiplied with 3x3 matrix
F = C*B'    % ' means "transposed". Multiply a 3x3 matrix with a 3x1 column vector
```

```
F = 3×1
    10
    20
    30
```

```
CC = C*C;
CC2 = C^2;    % A^2 = A*A = matrix multiplication A with A
```

Broadcasting:

```
V = A + 3;    % A is a vector, 3 is expanded to correct size, result is also a vector
```

Element-wise operations (.^):

```
Z = A.^2    % .^ means square operation is applied to each individual element
```

```
Z = 1x3
     1     4     9
```

```
Y = C.^2    % .^2 means every element is raised to power 2. The shape of Y is the same as of C.
```

```
Y = 3x3
     1     1     1
     4     4     4
     9     9     9
```

Logical operations (comparisons etc) with arrays

```
a = (A > 2);    % Each element is compared
```

Functions applied to arrays (trigonometric, mathematical functions, length/min/max/sum, etc)

```
A = 0:0.1:(4*pi);    % A vector going from 0 to 4pi
X = sin(A);           % X is a vector. sin() is applied to every element of A
Y = sqrt(A);
S = sum(A);           % sum of vector
minval = min(A)
```

```
minval = 0
```

```
maxval = max(A)
```

```
maxval = 12.5000
```

```
len = size(A)        % Return size of A, i.e. [1, 126]    (1 row, 126 columns)
```

```
len = 1x2
     1    126
```

```
len1 = size(A,2)     % Return size of A along second dimension (126)
```

```
len1 = 126
```

Concatenation of arrays

```
A = [1,2,3];
B = [4,5,6];
C = [A, B]           % A is joined on the right side with B => C is [1,2,3,4,5,6]
```

```
C = 1x6
     1     2     3     4     5     6
```

```
D = [A; B]           % A is joined on the lower side with B => D is a matrix with two rows
```

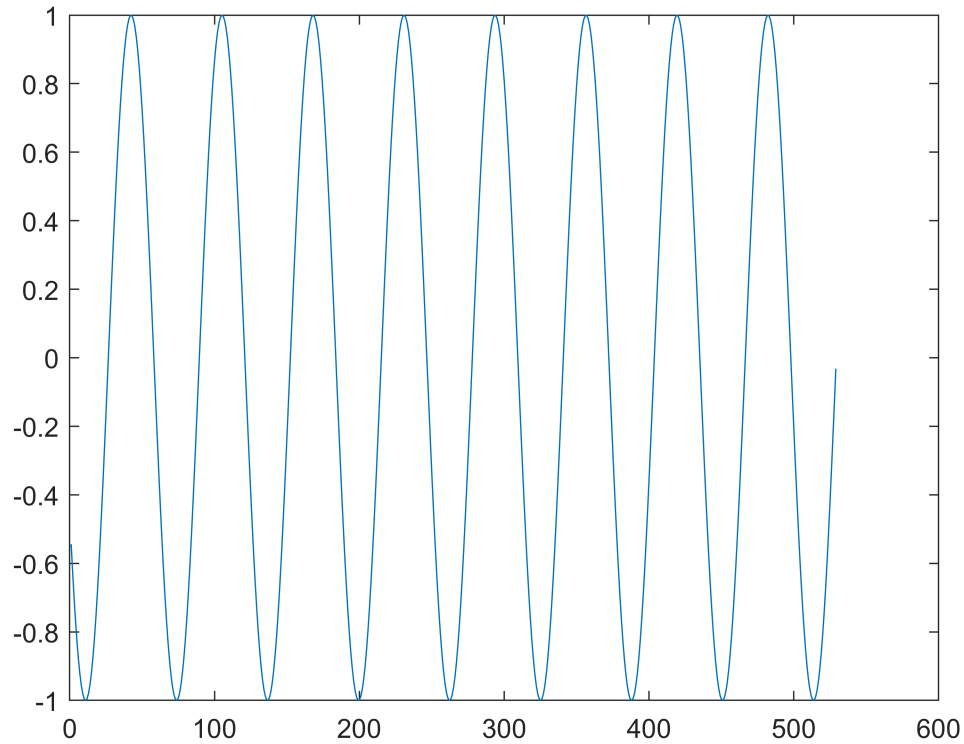
```
D = 2x3
     1     2     3
     4     5     6
```

```
E = [A, zeros(1,10)] % E is A with 10 values of 0 appended at the end
```

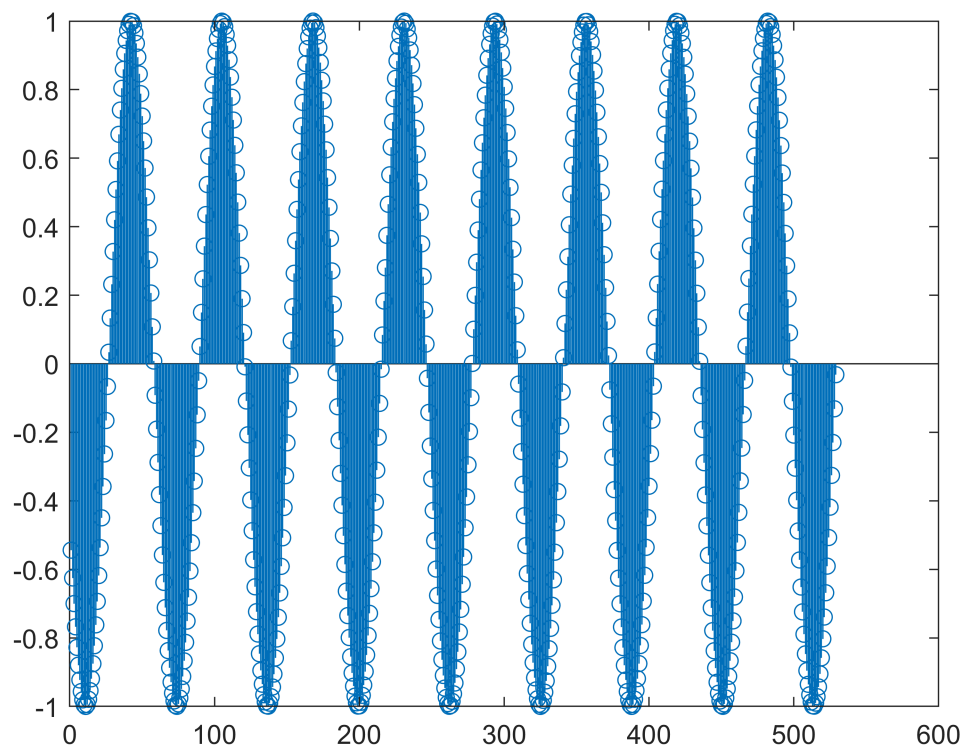
```
E = 1x13
     1     2     3     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
```

Graphical representation of a vectors with `plot()` and `stem()`:

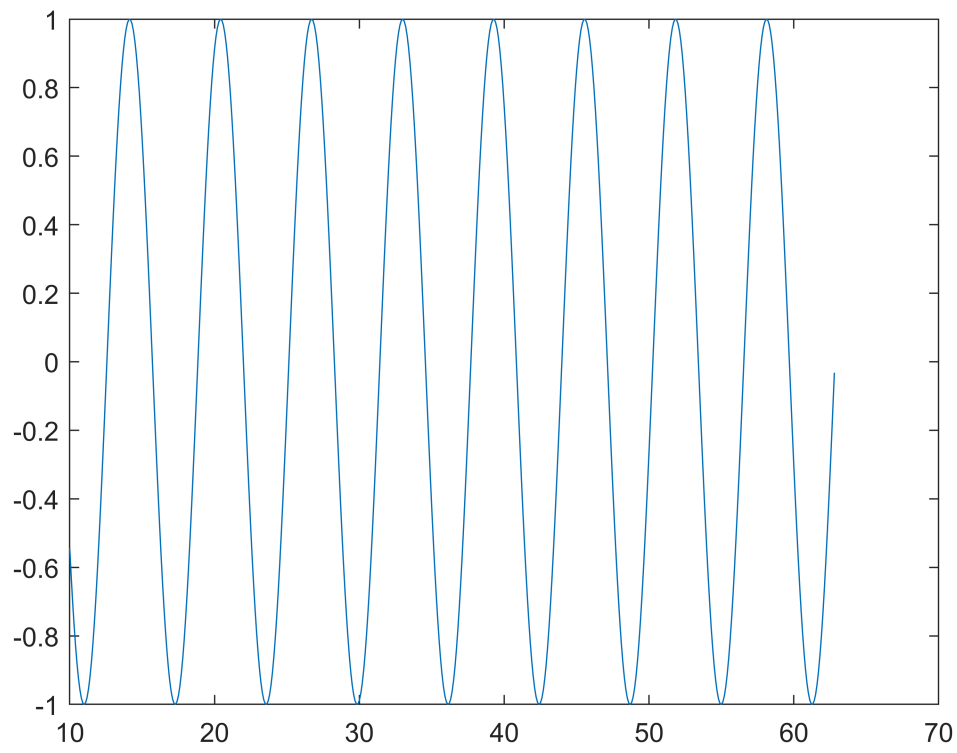
```
A = 10:0.1:(20*pi);    % A vector going from 0 to 4pi  
X = sin(A);             % X is a vector. sin() is applied to every element of A  
plot(X)                 % Use plot() to display values like a continuous function
```



```
stem(X)                 % Use stem() to display values with vertical sticks, like a discrete signal
```



```
plot(A, X)    % Like plot(X), but puts values in A on the 0x axis
```



2.4 Keywords

If-then

```
a = sqrt(123)
```

```
a = 11.0905
```

```
if (a >= 10)
    b = 15;
end
```

```
a = sqrt(123)
```

```
a = 11.0905
```

```
if (a >= 10)
    b = 15;
else
    c = 'ala bala portocala';    % c is a string
end
```

While:

```
a = 5;
i = 0
```

```
i = 0
```

```
while (a < 20)
    a = a + 0.2;
    i = i + 1;
end
fprintf('It took %d loops for a to exceed 20', i);
```

```
It took 76 loops for a to exceed 20
```

3. Exercises

1. Define two variables $a = 5$ and $b = 0.3$ and compute $a + b$, $\frac{a}{b}$, a^b , $e^{a+\ln(b)}$, $\sin(a) + \cos(b + \frac{\pi}{2})$
2. Define a vector A with 10 zeros, a matrix B of size 4×6 with all elements equal to 1, and a vector C with odd numbers from 1 to 21 (both included).
 - Change the third element of A to 5
 - Change element B(2,4) to 7
 - Square all the elements of C, and save the result as a new vector D.
 - Compute $E = 4C - 50$.
 - Compare element-wise the vectors C and E. How many elements of C are larger than the corresponding elements from E? (use functions to calculate this, don't just count it yourselves)

- Apply $\sin()$ to all the elements of D

3. Define a vector t with 1000 elements uniformly spaced between 0 and 10. Compute and plot $\cos(2\pi ft)$, where $f = 0.5$.

4. Plot the signal $\sin(2\pi ft + \frac{\pi}{4})$, with $f = 0.2$, for a duration of 3 periods.

4. Final questions

1. TBD