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### 4.4.4 Special Shapes

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# 4.4.4 Special Shapes

## Summary

- ▶ All vector-vector and matrix-vector operations we have seen are special cases of matrix-matrix multiplication.
- ▶ Forget about these other operations. Just remember matrix-matrix multiplication!
- ▶ (Well, it is still good to recognize the special cases, as we will see...)

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? Homework 4.4.4.12 - Multiplication

Why do you need to multiply Matrix B by its columns instead of by its rows?

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In this section in particular, it really helps to read the "Related Reading" as you do the homework problems.

### Homework 4.4.4.1

1/1 point (graded)

Let  $A = (4)$  and  $B = (3)$ . Then  $AB = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ .

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✓ Answer: 12

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Explanation

If you realize that scalars, column vectors, and row vectors are special cases of matrices, then the question becomes a simple case of matrix-matrix multiplication.

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### Homework 4.4.4.2

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Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = (4)$ . Then  $AB = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ .

☐  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

☒  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -12 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$

☐  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 9 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix}$



Explanation

If you realize that scalars, column vectors, and row vectors are special cases of matrices, then the question becomes a simple case of matrix-matrix multiplication.

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### Homework 4.4.4.3

1/1 point (graded)

This problem talks about IPython Notebooks and Python. It points out an interesting problem with the `numpy` package, which one can use with Python to do matrix computations. In MATLAB, the described behavior is not observed, so we can't create an equivalent homework for MATLAB. We left the problem here, because it points out interesting behavior when one considers a scalar to be a  $1 \times 1$  matrix.

Start up a new IPython Notebook and try this:

```
import numpy as np

x = np.matrix( '1;2;3' )

print( x )

alpha = np.matrix( '-2' )

print( alpha )

print( x * alpha )
```

Notice how `x`, `alpha`, and `x * alpha` are created as matrices. Now try

```
print( alpha * x )
```

This causes an error! Why? Because `numpy` checks the sizes of matrices `alpha` and `x` and deduces that they don't match. Hence the operation is illegal. This is an artifact of how `numpy` is implemented.

Now, for us a  $1 \times 1$  matrix and a scalar are one and the same thing, and that therefore  $\alpha x = x \alpha$ .

Indeed, our `laff.scal` routine does just fine:

```
import laff

laff.scal( alpha, x )

print( x )
```

yields the desired result. This means that you can use the `laff.scal` routine for both update  $x := \alpha x$  and  $x := x \alpha$ .

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### Homework 4.4.4.4

1/1 point (graded)

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $AB = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ .

☐  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

☒  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -12 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$

☐  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 9 & -12 \end{pmatrix}$

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Explanation

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1/1 point (graded)

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Start up a new IPython Notebook and try this:

```
import numpy as np

xt = np.matrix( '1,2,3' )

print( xt )

alpha = np.matrix( '-2' )

print( alpha )

print( xt * alpha )
```

This causes an error! Why? Because numpy checks the sizes of matrices `alpha` and `xt` and deduces that they don't match. Hence the operation is illegal. This is an artifact of how numpy is implemented.

Now try

```
print( alpha * xt )
```

Now, for us a 1 X 1 matrix and a scalar are one and the same thing, and that therefore  $\alpha x^T = x^T \alpha$ .

Indeed, our `laff.scal` routine does just fine:

```
import laff

laff.scal( alpha, xt )

print( xt )
```

yields the desired result. This means that you can use the `laff.scal` routine for both update  $x^T := \alpha x^T$  and  $x^T := x^T \alpha$ .

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Homework 4.4.4.6

1/1 point (graded)

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $AB = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ .

5

✔ Answer: 5

5

Explanation

Answer:

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot 2 + (-3) \cdot (-1) + 2 \cdot 0 = 2 + 3 + 0 = 5.$$

or

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = (1 \cdot 2 + (-3) \cdot (-1) + 2 \cdot 0) = (2 + 3 + 0 = 5).$$

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Homework 4.4.4.7

1/1 point (graded)

Try this in MATLAB:

```
>> xt = [ 1 2 3 ]

>> y = [
-1
0
2
]

>> xt * y

>> laff_dot( xt, y )
```

The point is that

- `xt` can be thought of as a  $1 \times 3$  matrix or a row vector.
- `y` can be thought of as a  $3 \times 1$  matrix or a column vector.
- `xt * y` (matrix-matrix multiplication) computes the same as `laff_dot( xt, y )`

We prefer using our `laff_dot` and `laff_dots` routines, which don't care about whether `x` and `y` are rows or columns, making the adjustment automatically. This is in part because it explicitly tells us we are performing a dot product of two vectors, because of the names of the routines. In addition, when we use these routines in an implementation that uses the `FLAME@lab` API, we can use `PictureFLAME` to visualize the algorithm executing.

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Homework 4.4.4.8

6/6 points (graded)

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $AB =$

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Explanation

Answer:

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \cdot (-1) & 1 \cdot (-2) \\ (-3) \cdot (-1) & (-3) \cdot (-2) \\ 2 \cdot (-1) & 2 \cdot (-2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 \\ -2 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Homework 4.4.4.9

7/7 points (graded)

Let  $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $b^T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $C = ab^T$ . Partiton C by columns and by rows:

$$C = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} c_0 & c_1 \end{array} \right) \text{ and } C = \begin{pmatrix} c_0^T \\ c_1^T \\ c_2^T \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$\bullet c_0 = (-1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (-1) \times (1) \\ (-1) \times (-3) \\ (-1) \times (2) \end{pmatrix}$$

TRUE

✓ Answer: TRUE

$$\bullet c_1 = (-2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (-2) \times (1) \\ (-2) \times (-3) \\ (-2) \times (2) \end{pmatrix}$$

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TRUE

✔ Answer: TRUE

•  $C = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} (-1) \times (1) & (-2) \times (1) \\ (-1) \times (-3) & (-2) \times (-3) \\ (-1) \times (2) & (-2) \times (2) \end{array} \right)$

TRUE

✔ Answer: TRUE

•  $c_0^T = (1) \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (1) \times (-1) & (1) \times (-2) \end{pmatrix}$

TRUE

✔ Answer: TRUE

•  $c_1^T = (-3) \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (-3) \times (-1) & (-3) \times (-2) \end{pmatrix}$

TRUE

✔ Answer: TRUE

•  $c_2^T = (2) \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (2) \times (-1) & (2) \times (-2) \end{pmatrix}$

TRUE

✔ Answer: TRUE

•  $C = \left( \begin{array}{cc} \frac{(-1) \times (1)}{(-1) \times (-3)} & \frac{(-2) \times (1)}{(-2) \times (-3)} \\ \frac{(-1) \times (2)}{(-2) \times (2)} & \frac{(-2) \times (2)}{(-2) \times (2)} \end{array} \right)$

TRUE

✔ Answer: TRUE

Explanation

**Answer:** The important thing here is to recognize that if you compute the first two results, then the third result comes for free. If you compute results 4-6, then the last result comes for free.

Also, notice that the columns  $C$  are just multiples of  $a$  while the rows of  $C$  are just multiples of  $b^T$ .

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Homework 4.4.4.10

16/16 points (graded)  
Consider

$\begin{pmatrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & \square & \square \\ -2 & \square & \square \\ 2 & \square & \square \\ 6 & \square & \square \end{pmatrix}$

Fill in the boxes:

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2

✓ Answer: 2

-1

✓ Answer: -1

1

✓ Answer: 1

3

✓ Answer: 3 ( 2 -1 3 ) =

4

✓ Answer: 4

-2

✓

Answer: -2

2

✓ Answer: 2

6

✓ Answer: 6

-2

✓

1

✓ Answer: 1

-1

✓

Answer: -1

-3

✓

Answer: -3

6

✓ Answer: 6

-3

✓

Answer: -3

3

✓ Answer: 3

9

✓ Answer: 9

Answer:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & 6 \\ -2 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 6 & -3 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Homework 4.4.4.11

15/15 points (graded)  
Consider

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \square & \square & \square \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & 6 \\ \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \end{pmatrix}$$

Fill in the boxes:

2

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Answer: 2

-1

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Answer: -1

3

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Answer: 3

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4

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Answer: 4

-2

✓

Answer: -2

2

✓

Answer: 2

6

✓

Answer: 6

-2

✓

Answer: -2

1

✓

Answer: 1

-1

✓

Answer: -1

-3

✓

Answer: -3

6

✓

Answer: 6

-3

✓

Answer: -3

3

✓

Answer: 3

9

✓

Answer: 9

Answer:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & 6 \\ -2 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 6 & -3 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Homework 4.4.4.12

3/3 points (graded)

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $AB =$

4

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Answer: 4

2

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Answer: 2

0

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Answer: 0

Answer:  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

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Homework 4.4.4.13

1/1 point (graded)

Let  $e_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$  equal the  $i$ th unit basis vector and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Then  $e_i^T A = \tilde{a}_i^T$ , the  $i$ th row of  $A$ .

Always

▼

✓ Answer: Always

Answer: Always

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \alpha_{i-1,0} & \alpha_{i-1,1} & \cdots & \alpha_{i-1,n-1} \\ \alpha_{i,0} & \alpha_{i,1} & \cdots & \alpha_{i,n-1} \\ \alpha_{i+1,0} & \alpha_{i+1,1} & \cdots & \alpha_{i+1,n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \alpha_{m-1,0} & \alpha_{m-1,1} & \cdots & \alpha_{m-1,n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{i,0} & \alpha_{i,1} & \cdots & \alpha_{i,n-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Homework 4.4.4.14

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If you don't find the file PracticeGemm.m in LAFF-2.0xM/Programming/Week04, then

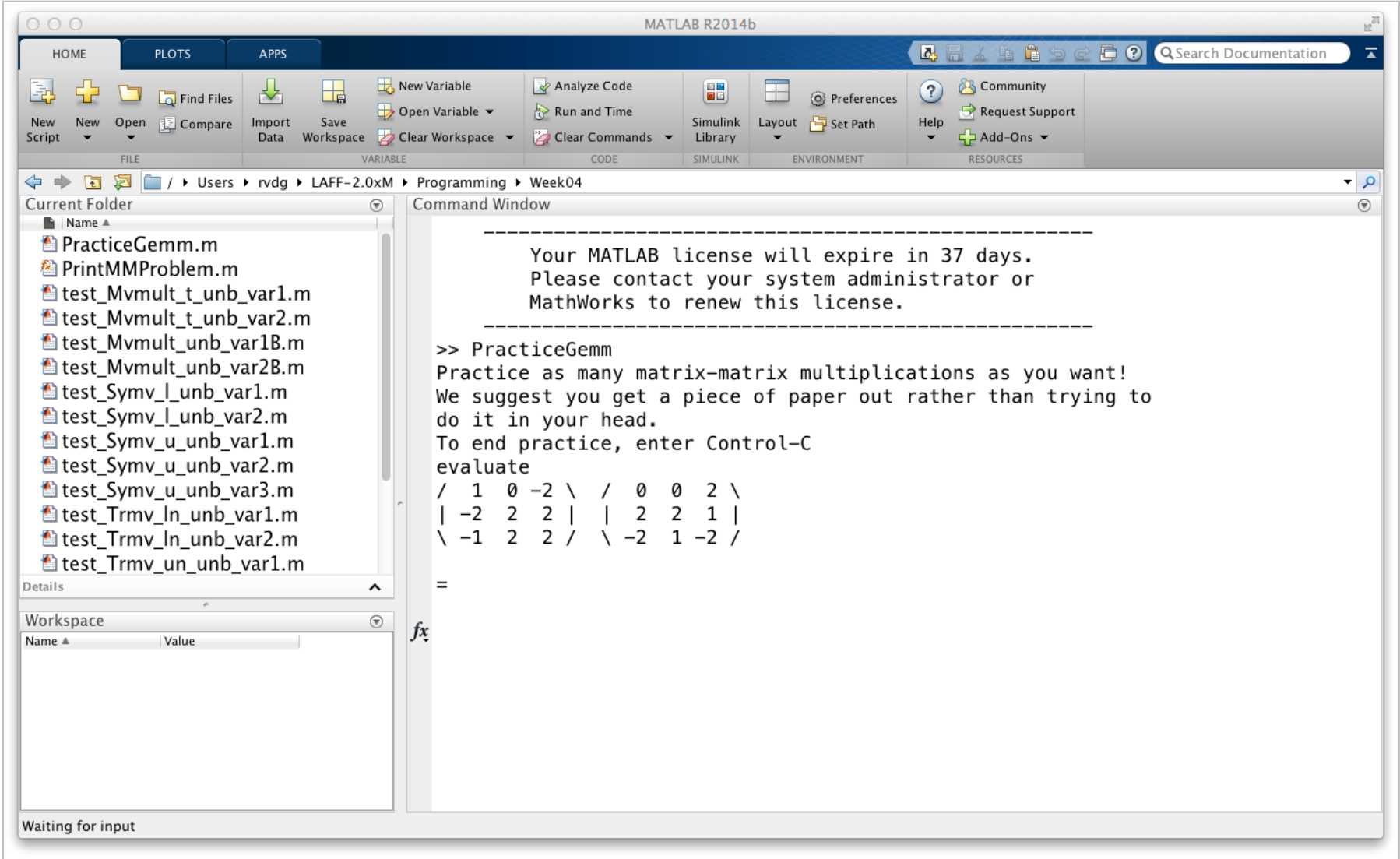
- Download the file [PracticeGemm.zip](#).
- Unzip the file

There is a problem with the script in PracticeGemm.m when used with Matlab Online. Please download [PracticeGemm.m](#) and place in LAFF-2.0xM/Programming/Week04.

Next,

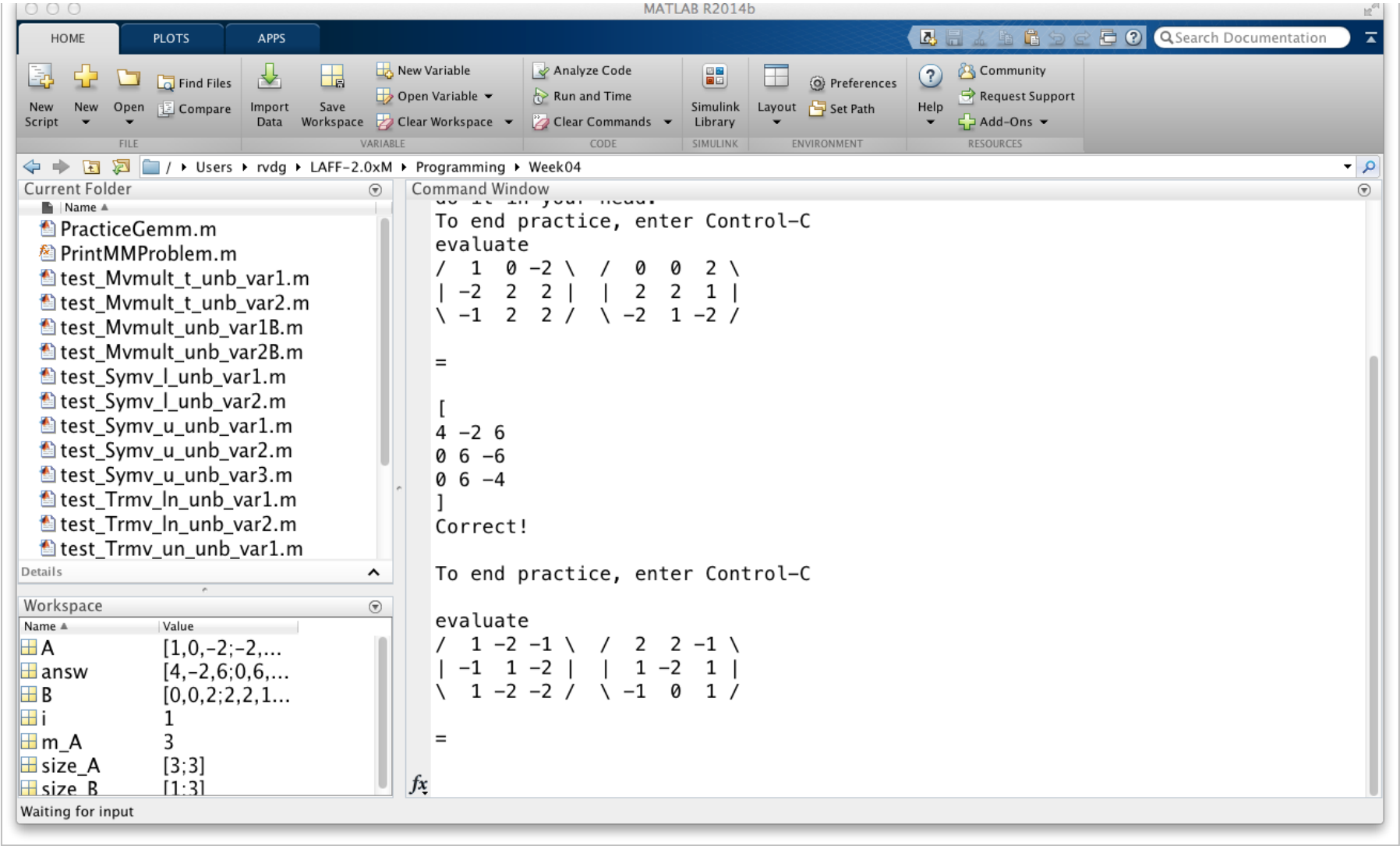
- Start MATLAB and make the directory in which the files PracticeGemm.m and PrintMMProblem.m exist the current directory for the Command Window.
- Execute PracticeGemm

You will see something like



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(Notice that you enter it as you would enter a matrix in MATLAB.)

- Practice all you want!

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