Julia & IJulia Cheat-sheet (for 18.xxx at MIT, Julia 1.x)

Basics:

`julialang.org` — documentation; `juliabox.com` — run Julia online
`github.com/mitmath/julia-mit` installation & tutorial
`using IJulia; IJulia.notebook()` start IJulia browser
shift-return execute input cell in IJulia
`using LinearAlgebra` load functions for blue-highlighted code below

Defining/changing variables:

`x = 3` define variable x to be 3
`x = [1,2,3]` array/"column"-vector (1,2,3)
`y = [1 2 3]` 1×3 matrix (1,2,3)
`A = [1 2 3 4; 5 6 7 8; 9 10 11 12]` set A to 3×4 matrix
`x[2] = 7` change x from (1,2,3) to (1,7,3)
`A[2,1] = 0` change $A_{2,1}$ from 5 to 0
`u, v = (15.03, 1.2e-27)` set u=15.03, v=1.2×10^{-27}
`f(x) = 3x` define a function f(x)
`x -> 3x` an "anonymous" function
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Constructing a few simple matrices:

`rand(12), rand(12,4)` random length-12 vector or 12×4 matrix with uniform random numbers in [0,1)
`randn(12)` Gaussian random numbers (mean 0, std. dev. 1)
`I(3)` or `Matrix(I,3,3)` 3×3 identity matrix I
`range(1.2,4.7,length=100)` 100 equally spaced points from 1.2 to 4.7
`Diagonal(x)` matrix whose diagonal is the entries of x

Portions of matrices and vectors:

`x[2:12]` the 2nd to 12th elements of x
`x[2:end]` the 2nd to the last elements of x
`A[5,1:3]` row vector of 1st 3 elements in 5th row of A
`A[5,:]` row vector of 5th row of A
`diag(A)` vector of diagonals of A

Arithmetic and functions of numbers:

`3*4, 7+4, 2-6, 8/3` mult., add, sub., divide numbers
`3^7, 3^(8+2im)` compute 3^7 or 3^{8+2i} power
`sqrt(-5+0im)` $\sqrt{-5}$ as a complex number
`exp(12)` e^{12}
`log(3), log10(100)` natural log (ln), base-10 log ($\log_{10}$)
`abs(-5), abs(2+3im)` absolute value |–5| or |2+3i|
`sin(5pi/3)` compute sin(5π/3)

Arithmetic and functions of vectors and matrices:

`x * 3, x .+ 3` multiply/add 3 to every element of x
`x + y` element-wise addition of two vectors x and y
`A*y, A*B` product of matrix A and vector y or matrix B
`x * y` not defined for two vectors!
`x .* y` element-wise product of vectors x and y
`x .^ 3` every element of x is cubed
`cos.(x), cos.(A)` cosine of every element of x or A
`exp.(A), exp(A)` exponential of each element, matrix exponential
`x', A'` conjugate-transpose of vector or matrix
`x'y, dot(x,y), sum(conj(x).*y)` three ways to compute $x \cdot y$
`A \ b, inv(A)` return solution to Ax=b, or the matrix A^{-1}
`eigvals(A), eigvecs(A)` eigenvalues and eigenvectors (columns)

Plotting (type `using PyPlot` first)

`plot(y), plot(x,y)` plot y vs. 0,1,2,3,… or versus x
`loglog(x,y), semilogx(x,y), semilogy(x,y)` log-scale plots
`title("A title"), xlabel("x-axis"), ylabel("foo")` set labels
`legend(["curve 1", "curve 2"], "northwest")` legend at upper-left
`grid(), axis("equal")` add grid lines, use equal x and y scaling
`title(L"the curve $e^\sqrt{x}$")` title with LaTeX equation
`savefig("fig.png"), savefig("fig.pdf")` save PNG or PDF image