

# Vectorization<sup>1</sup>

- MATLAB favors array operations.
- When two arrays have the **same dimensions**, addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division apply on an element-by-element basis.
- For example,

```
1 >> x = [1, 2, 3];  
2 >> y = [4, 5, 6];  
3 >> x + y  
4  
5 ans =  
6  
7      5      7      9
```

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<sup>1</sup>More about [vectorization](#).

# Element-By-Element Operations

Symbol	Operation	Form	Example
+	Scalar-array addition	$A + b$	$[6, 3] + 2 = [8, 5]$
-	Scalar-array subtraction	$A - b$	$[8, 3] - 5 = [3, -2]$
+	Array addition	$A + B$	$[6, 5] + [4, 8] = [10, 13]$
-	Array subtraction	$A - B$	$[6, 5] - [4, 8] = [2, -3]$
.*	Array multiplication	$A.*B$	$[3, 5].*[4, 8] = [12, 40]$
./	Array right division	$A./B$	$[2, 5]./[4, 8] = [2/4, 5/8]$
.\	Array left division	$A.\backslash B$	$[2, 5].\backslash[4, 8] = [2\backslash 4, 5\backslash 8]$
.^	Array exponentiation	$A.^B$	$[3, 5].^2 = [3^2, 5^2]$ $2.^[3, 5] = [2^3, 2^5]$ $[3, 5].^[2, 4] = [3^2, 5^4]$

- The left division is used in the inverse matrix problems.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup>We will visit this in the chapter of matrix computation.

## Relational Operators<sup>3</sup>

Relational Operator	Interpretation
<	less than
<=	less than or equal to
>	greater than
>=	greater than or equal to
==	equal to
~=	not equal to

- Note that relational operators make comparisons between two arrays **of equal size**.

<sup>3</sup>See Table 8.1 in Moore, p. 274.

# Logical Values

- For example,

```
1 >> x = 1; y = 2;  
2 >> x == y  
3  
4 ans =  
5  
6      0
```

- In general, the numeric number 0 is regarded as false while 1 (even any nonzero number) is regarded as true.
- The function **true** and **false** represent logical true and false, respectively.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>4</sup>The usage of **true** and **false** is similar to **zeros**.

## Filtering

- Logical arrays are often used as **masks** (or filters) to manipulate arrays.

```
1 >> scores = { "Arthur", 50;
2               "Bob", 60;
3               "Cynthia", 70};
4 >> mask = [scores{:, 2}] >= 60
5
6 mask =
7
8     0     1     1
9
10 >> scores(mask, 1)
11
12 ans =
13
14     {"Bob"
15     {"Cynthia"}
```

# Logical Operators

- Assume  $x = 0$ .
- How about  $1 < x < 3$ ? (Surprising!)

Logical operator	Name	Description
$\&$ Example: $A\&B$	AND	Operates on two operands ( $A$ and $B$ ). If both are true, the result is true (1), otherwise the result is false (0).
$ $ Example: $A B$	OR	Operates on two operands ( $A$ and $B$ ). If either one, or both are true, the result is true (1), otherwise (both are false) the result is false (0).
$\sim$ Example: $\sim A$	NOT	Operates on one operand ( $A$ ). Gives the opposite of the operand. True (1) if the operand is false, and false (0) if the operand is true.

## Truth Table<sup>5</sup>

- Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two logical variables.
- Then you can find the truth table for logical operators as follows:

$A$	$B$	$\sim A$	$A \& B$	$A \mid B$
T	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	F	T
F	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	F	F

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<sup>5</sup>Note that the basic instructions, such as the plus operator, are implemented by **logic gates**. See any textbook for digital circuit design.

## Exercise: & vs. ==<sup>6</sup>

```
1 >> u = [0, 2, 0, 4];  
2 >> v = [0, 0, 3, 4];  
3 >> u == v  
4  
5 ans =  
6  
7      1      0      0      1  
8  
9 >> u & v  
10  
11 ans =  
12  
13      0      0      0      1
```

<sup>6</sup>Thanks to a lively class discussion (MATLAB-237) on April 16, 2014.



## Precedence of Operators<sup>7</sup>

Operators	Precedence
parentheses: ( )	Highest
transpose and power: ' , ^ , . ^	
unary: negation ( - ) , not ( ~ )	
multiplication, division * , / , \ , . * , . / , . \	
addition, subtraction + , -	
relational < , <= , > , >= , == , ~=	
element-wise and &	
element-wise or	
and && (scalars)	
or    (scalars)	
assignment =	Lowest

<sup>7</sup>See Table 1.2 Operator Precedence Rules in Attaway, p. 25.

```
1 >> Lecture 2
2 >>
3 >>          -- Programming Basics
4 >>
```

*"If debugging is the process of removing software bugs, then programming must be the process of putting them in."*

– Edsger W. Dijkstra (1930–2002)

# Flow Controls

- We wish the computers could **make decision** on their own.
- Also, the computers should **repeat** actions for a specified number of times or until the stopping condition is satisfied.
  - As known as **loops**.
- These two features facilitate the usefulness of computers.
  - Think about the max algorithm.

# Building Blocks

- **Sequential operations:** be executed **in order**.
- **Selections:** check which condition is satisfied and then execute the actions accordingly.
- **Repetitions:** repeat some instructions and stop while the termination condition is satisfied.

# Selections

- We start with **if** followed by a logical expression.
- If true, then do the corresponding statements; otherwise, leave the structure.
- You can also use **else** to specify the actions if the condition is false.
- For both cases, you need the **end** statement to finish the selection.

## Example: Circle Area

- Write a program which takes a number as input.
  - We use the function **input** which takes a number from the keyboard.
- If the input is positive, then output the resulting circle area.

```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 r = input("Enter r? ");
4 if r > 0
5     A = pi * r ^ 2;
6     disp("The circle area is " + A + ".");
7 else
8     disp(num2str(r) + " is negative.");
9 end
```

## Example: Nested Conditional Statements

```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 s = input("Enter r? ", "s");
4 r = str2num(s);
5 if isempty(r)
6     disp(s + " is not a number.");
7 else
8     if r > 0
9         A = pi * r ^ 2;
10        disp("The circle area is " + A + ".");
11    else
12        disp(s + " is negative.");
13    end
14 end
```

- Use **str2num** to convert from a string to a number.
- Use **isempty** to check if the variable is null.



## Example: if-elseif-else

```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 s = input("Enter r? ", "s");
4 r = str2num(s);
5 if isempty(r)
6     disp(s + " is not a number.");
7 elseif r >= 0
8     A = pi * r ^ 2;
9     disp("The circle area is " + A + ".");
10 else
11     disp(s + " is negative.");
12 end
```

- More clear!

## Exercise

- Write a program to convert centesimal points to letter grades.
- Let  $x$  be the input score.
- The conversion rule is as follows:
  - if  $90 \leq x \leq 100$ , then  $x$  is converted to 4;
  - if  $80 \leq x < 90$ , then 3;
  - if  $70 \leq x < 80$ , then 2;
  - if  $60 \leq x < 70$ , then 1;
  - otherwise, 0.

```
1 clear; clc;
2 x = input("Enter your score? ");
3 if 90 <= x && x <= 100
4     disp("4");
5 elseif 80 <= x && x < 90
6     disp("3");
7 elseif 70 <= x && x < 80
8     disp("2");
9 elseif 60 <= x && x < 70
10    disp("1");
11 else
12    disp("0");
13 end
```

- Note that we use && to join two criterion in Line 3.

## Short-Circuit Evaluation: $\&\&$ and $\|\|$

- Let A and B be two logical results.
- Consider A  $\&\&$  B.
- If A returns false, then B won't be evaluated.
- This facilitates time-saving.
- The case of A  $\|\|$  B is similar.
- We need to guarantee that the condition is a scalar.

## Another Selection Structure: **switch-case**

```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 city = input("Enter a city name: ", "s");
4 switch city
5     case {"Taipei", "New Taipei"}
6         disp("Price: $100");
7     case "Taichung"
8         disp("Price: $200");
9     case "Tainan"
10        disp("Price: $300");
11    otherwise
12        disp("Not an option.");
13 end
```

## Equivalence between if and switch<sup>8</sup>

```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 city = input("Enter the city name: ", "s");
4 if city == "Taipei" || city == "New Taipei"
5     disp("Price: $100.");
6 elseif city == "Taichung"
7     disp("Price: $200.");
8 elseif city == "Tainan"
9     disp("Price: $300.");
10 else
11     disp("Not an option.");
12 end
```

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<sup>8</sup>Thanks to a lively class discussion (MATLAB-244) on August 20, 2014.

## Quantifiers<sup>9</sup>

- The function **all** determines if **all** elements are true.
- The function **any** determines if there is **any** true element in the array.

```
1 >> scores = [50, 60, 70];
2 >> all(scores >= 60)
3 ans =
4
5      0
6
7 >> any(scores >= 60)
8 ans =
9
10     1
```

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<sup>9</sup>See [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantifier\\_\(logic\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantifier_(logic)).

## More Logical Functions

Logical function	
<code>ischar(A)</code>	Returns a 1 if <b>A</b> is a character array and 0 otherwise.
<code>isempty(A)</code>	Returns a 1 if <b>A</b> is an empty matrix and 0 otherwise.
<code>isinf(A)</code>	Returns an array of the same dimension as <b>A</b> , with 1s where <b>A</b> has 'inf' and 0s elsewhere.
<code>isnan(A)</code>	Returns an array of the same dimension as <b>A</b> with 1s where <b>A</b> has 'NaN' and 0s elsewhere. ('NaN' stands for "not a number," which means an undefined result.)
<code>isnumeric(A)</code>	Returns a 1 if <b>A</b> is a numeric array and 0 otherwise.
<code>isreal(A)</code>	Returns a 1 if <b>A</b> has no elements with imaginary parts and 0 otherwise.

- NaN: *Not A Number*, caused by  $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$  and  $\infty - \infty$ .<sup>10</sup>

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<sup>10</sup>See [NaN](#).



*"Logic is the anatomy of thought."*

– John Locke (1632–1704)

*"This sentence is false."*

– anonymous

*"I know that I know nothing."*

– Plato

(In Apology, Plato relates that Socrates accounts for his seeming wiser than any other person because he does not imagine that he knows what he does not know.)

# Repetitions

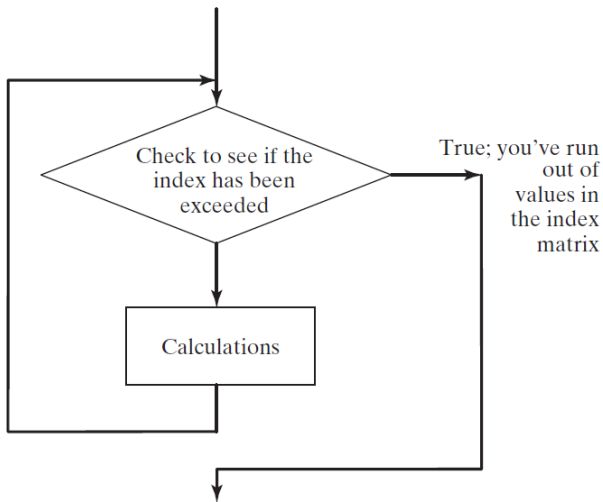
- If some instructions are **potentially** repeated, you should wrap those in a **loop**.
- All loops can be done in the following three parts:
  - find the **repeated pattern** for each iteration;
  - wrap them by a proper loop;
  - set the continuation condition by defining a **loop variable** with some **criterion**.
- MATLAB has two types of loops: **for** loops and **while** loops.
  - Use **for** loops if you know the number of iterations.
  - Otherwise, use **while** loops.

## for Loops

- A **for** loop is the easiest choice when you know how many times you need to repeat the loop.

```
1 for loopVar = someArray
2     % body
3 end
```

- Particularly, we often use **for** loops to manipulate arrays (data)!



## Examples

- Print 1 to 10.

```
1 for i = 1 : 10
2     disp(i);
3 end
```

- How to show the odd integers from 1 to 9?

```
1 stock_list = ["tsmc", "aapl", "goog"];
2 for stock = stock_list
3     disp(stock);
4 end
```

- Clearly, MATLAB has **for-each** loops, which is an enhanced one compared to the naive one in C.

## Example: Find Maximum (Revisited)

```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 data = [4, 9, 7, 2, -1, 6, 3];
4 result = data(1);
5 for item = data(2 : end)
6     if result < item
7         result = item;
8     end
9 end
10 result
```

- Use **max** in your future work.<sup>11</sup>
- Can you find the location of the maximum element?
- Try to find the minimum element and its location.

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<sup>11</sup>Don't repeat yourself.

## Exercise: Where is Maximum?

- Write a program which indicates where the maximum is.

```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 data = [4, 9, 7, 2, -1, 6, 3];
4 loc = 1;
5 for i = 2 : length(data)
6     if data(i) > data(loc)
7         loc = i;
8     end
9 end
10 loc
```

- Note that **max** could return the index of maximum as the second output.

## Example: Running Sum

- Write a program which calculates the sum of data.
- Use **randi** to generate a random integer array as testing data.

```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 n = 5;
4 data = randi(100, 1, n)
5
6 sum = 0;
7 for i = 1 : n
8     sum = sum + data(i); % running sum
9 end
10 sum
```

- Of course, you could use **sum** for the same functionality.



## Digression: Programming feat. Math

- To sum the sequence  $1, 2, \dots, n$ , we could write

$$\text{sum} = 1 + 2 + \dots + n = \sum_{i=1}^n i.$$

- Recall that you write down a loop to add  $i$  from 1 to  $n$  one by one to an accumulator, say sum.
- See? **A summation is realized by a loop!**
- From now, you know how to program when you meet a formula like above.

## Numerical Example: Monte Carlo Simulation

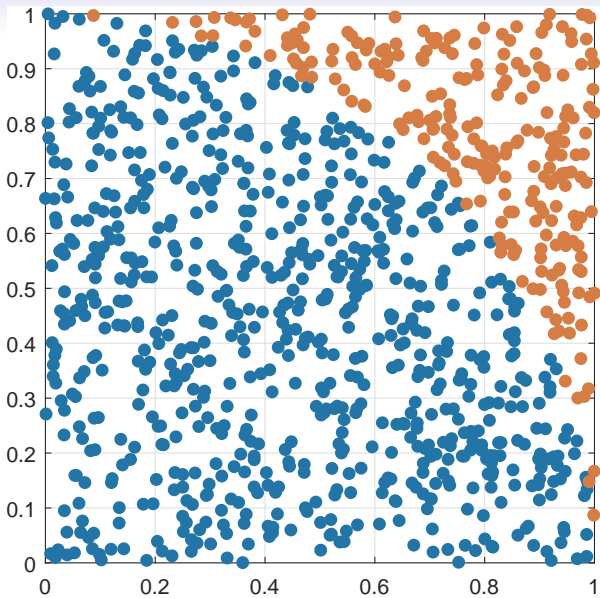
- Let  $m$  be the number of sample points falling in the region of the quarter circle shown in the next page,  $n$  be the total number of sample points.
  - Use **rand** to generate a value between 0 and 1 (exclusive).
- Write a program which estimates  $\pi$  by

$$\hat{\pi} = 4 \times \frac{m}{n}.$$

- Note that  $\hat{\pi} \rightarrow \pi$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  by the law of large numbers (LLN).<sup>12</sup>

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<sup>12</sup>See [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Law\\_of\\_large\\_numbers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Law_of_large_numbers).



```
1 clear; clc;
2
3 n = 1e5;
4 m = 0;
5
6 for i = 1 : n
7
8     x = rand(1);
9     y = rand(1);
10
11     if x ^ 2 + y ^ 2 < 1
12         m = m + 1;
13     end
14
15 end
16 result = 4 * m / n
```

- Try to vectorize this program.