

Practical work N°1

Objective:

Understand the basic commands in Octave.

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GNU Octave is a numerical calculation environment similar to Matlab (very similar syntax), particularly efficient for matrix calculation. It is used in many fields such as data analysis, image processing, automation, electronics, etc.

1. Basic commands

- **Help** command name : view the help
- **Edit** command name : view source code
- Comma, semicolon: instruction separator
- Strings between ' '
- **Name=value** : Assignment
- **X=input**('Give please a value') : read a value % Octave is case-sensitive
- **rand** : random number [0,1]
- **rand(N)** : NxN matrix containing random numbers [0,1]
- To continue an expression on the next line, end the current line with "..."
- Constants: **pi** =3.1416, **e** = 2.7183, **Inf** = infinity , **eps** = epsilon (2^{-52}).....
- Display formats
 - o **format short** displays numbers with 4 digits after the decimal point (default)
 - o **format long** displays numbers with 14 digits after the decimal point
 - o **format bank** displays numbers with 2 digits after the decimal point
 - o **format rat** displays numbers in the form of a ration (a/b)
- Most used functions
 - sin(x)** the sine of x (in radians), **cos(x)** the cosine of x (in radians), **sqrt(x)** the square root of x, **abs(x)** the absolute value of x, **round(x)** round a number to the nearest integer, **floor(x)** round a number to the smallest integer, **ceil(x)** round a number to the greatest integer....

2. Initialization functions

- **A = [4 -2 1]** % Creation of a line vector A
- **A = [4 ; -2 ; 1]** % Creation of a column vector A
- initialization line by line, example: **A=[1 2 3 ; 4 5 6]**
- **A=2 : 15** % consecutive values step 1
- **A=2 :3 :15** % consecutive values step 3
- **A = 0:0.2:1** % consecutive values step 0.2
- **zeros(m,n)**
- **ones(m,n)**
- **eye(m,n)** : ones on the diagonal, zeros elsewhere.

3. Size

- **[m n]=size(A)**: number of rows and columns of A
- **m = size (A, 1)** % m contains the number of rows
- **n = size (A, 2)** % n contains the number of columns

4. Concatenation

- **C=[A,B]** : concatenate A(m,n) and B(m,p)
- **C=[A;B]** : concatenate A(m,n) and B(p,n)

5. Access to the elements of a matrix

- Parentheses () are used for access.

- Square brackets [] are used only during creation
- **A(i,j)** : element row i, column j (numbering starts from 1)
- **A(i, :)** : view line i
- **A(:, j)** : view column j
- **A(i1 :i2,j1 :j2)**: submatrix
- **A(2:4,2:end)**
- **A(end,3)** : element A(m,3)
- **A([1 3 7])** % the 1st, 3rd and 7th position
- **A(6) = -3** % assign the value -3 to the sixth element
- **A(2)=[]** % remove the second element
- **A(3:5) = []** % delete from the 3rd to the 5th element
- **A(2,:) = []** % delete the second line
- **A = [A ; [1 2 -5 9]]** % add new line [1 2 -5 9] to A
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6. Operations

- **C=A+B** : addition
- **C=A-B**: subtraction
- **C=A.*B** : element by element multiplication
- **C=A./B** : element by element division
- **C=A*B** : matrix product
- **C= A+x** : add x for all elements of A
- **C= A*x** : multiply all elements of A by x
- **C= A.^x** : all elements of A to the power of x
- **C = f (A)** : apply the function f on all elements of A
- **A'** : transpose of a matrix A
- **[x y]=min(A)** : x is a vector containing the minimum values of each column
y: the indices of each element of x
- **[x y]=max(A)**
- **min(min(A))** : the min of the entire matrix
- **max(max(A))** : the max of the entire matrix
- **mean(A)** : the average of each column of A
- **sum(A)** : vector containing the sum of each column
- **prod(A)** : vector containing the product of each column
- **median(A)** : vector containing the median of each column
- **find(condition)** : the indices of the values satisfying the condition
- **a(find(a >0.7)) = 1**; all elements > 0.7 become 1
- **sort(A)** : sorts the elements of a vector or each column of a matrix % see **sort(A,'ascend')** and **sort(A, 'descend')**
- **std2(A)** : the standard deviation of A
- **var(X,1)** : variance of vector X
- **isequal** : tests if two (or more) matrices are equal (having the same elements). It returns 1 if this is the case, and 0 otherwise. Example : **isequal(A,B)**
- **diag (A)** : diagonal of A
- **B=A(:)** : transform A into a vector

7. Other commands

- **clear** : clear all variables
- **clc** : clear the command window
- **who** : view all variables
- **whos** : view all variables with details
- **%** : comment

- **tictoc** : execution time in seconds
- **X = repmat(A,L,C)** : replicate the matrix A LxC times
- **reshape** : resizing of a matrix, which consists of modifying the number of rows and/or columns of a matrix while keeping the same number of elements.

example : **Reshape(a,2,3)**
 0.7373 0.8939 0.7373 0.0118 0.1991
 0.1365 0.1991 → 0.1365 0.8939 0.2987
 0.0118 0.2987

8. Predefined types

- int8, uint8, int16, uint16, int32, uint32, int64, uint64, single, double, logical, char

9. Conditional statements

- **If** condition [...] **end**
- **If** condition [...] **else** [...] **end**
- **if** condition1 [...] **if** condition2 [...] **else** [...] **end else** [...] **end** [...] **end**
- **if** condition1 [...] **elseif** condition2 [...] **elseif** [...] **else** [...] **end**
- Relational operators: <, <=, >, >=, ==, ~=
- Logical operators : &, |, ~ **and(,)** **or(,)** **not()**
- **switchend**

10. Iteration statements

- **For** i=begin : step : final value **end**
- **while** (expression)..... **end**

11. Functions

- **function** [a b c...]=FFF(x,y,z,...): create FFF function with x, y, z,.. as input and a, b, c... as output.
- The file name must be the same name of the function with the extension **.m**

12. Graphics and data visualization

- The plot function can be used with vectors or matrices.
- **plot(x,y)** : draw a graph (see the options: color, line, etc.)
- format **plot(x, <linestyle><marker><color>)**
 example: **plot(A,'-.*r')**
- linestyle
 '-' Use solid lines (default). '--' Use dashed lines.
 ':' Use dotted lines. '-.' Use dash-dotted lines
- marker
 '+' crosshair 'o' circle '*' star '.' point 'x' cross
 's' square 'd' diamond '^' upward-facing triangle
 'v' downward-facing triangle '>' right-facing triangle
 '<' left-facing triangle 'p' pentagram 'h' hexagram
- **title**('Title of the figure')
- **ylabel**('Y axis')
- **xlabel**('X axis')
- add/delete a grid **grid** , **grid off**
- **hold on** : draw multiple curves in the same figure.

Exercise 1

In Octave, as in most numerical calculation software, by manipulating matrices, we try as much as possible not to use loops to obtain faster programs.

Consider a matrix **M(500x500)** which contains random numbers in the interval **[0, 1]**.

1. Write a script that sets to zero all elements of **M** greater than 0.5.
2. Propose two solutions, one with the use of loops and the other with the **find** command.
3. Compare the execution times of the two solutions.

Exercise 2

Write an Octave script which allows to:

1. Create a matrix **M(8x4)** containing random integer values in the interval **[+25, 100]**.
2. Show the type of matrix **M**.
3. Convert **M** to integer type.
4. Display the submatrix (2nd line: 4th and 3rd: the last column).
5. Calculate the sum of the 3rd column.
6. Insert a random line above **M**.
7. Insert a random column to the right of **M**.
8. Show the size of **M**.
9. Delete 2nd line.
10. Delete a line **L**, where the value of **L** is entered on the keyboard.
11. Delete the last 2 columns.
12. Make all elements of the submatrix null (2nd line: 4th and 3rd: the last column).
13. Assign a value **V** (keyboard entry) to all elements in the last line.
14. Create a function **Modify(M, val)**, which assigns the value **val** to all elements of **M** in **[50, 80]**.
17. Call the function **Modify(M, val)**, **val**: keyboard entry.
19. Resize the matrix **M(16x2)**.

Exercise 3

1. Write an Octave script that draw in the same graph, the curves of **F(x)** and **G(x)** in the interval **[-3π, 3π]** with **step = 0.05**.
2. Add the different notations on the graph (axes, title).
3. Change the different properties of **F(x)** curve (color line, marker, size...).
4. Draw the 2 curves separately on 2 different figures.