

Announcements

- Project 3
 - Reminder: due Thursday, March 8, 6pm
 - One of the files (integral.m) has been modified
 - linspace(a,b,n) ⇒ linspace(a,b,n+1)
 - Please use the updated version as the basis for your own code
- Prelim II: Thursday, March 15
- Topics for today
 - Reading: CFile 9, Section 9.2
 - Vectorized code
 - Pre-allocating arrays
 - Logical arrays

Vectorized Code

- Most Matlab operations are designed to work on entire vectors or entire matrices
 - This includes arithmetic, relational, and logical operations
 - Also includes most built-in functions (e.g., sin, cos, mod, floor, exp, log, etc.)
 - Code that operates on entire vectors (or matrices) instead of on scalars is said to be *vectorized code*
- Examples**
- ```
x = [10 20 30];
y = 1:3;
z = [2 1 2];

% Addition, subtraction
x + y % [11 22 33]
x - y % [9 18 27]

% Mult, division, power
% Must include the DOT "."
x .* y % [10 40 90]
x ./ y % [10 10 10]
x .^ z % [100 20 900]
```

## Dot-Operators

- Matlab is especially set up for Linear Algebra
  - Thus, "\*", "/", and "^" correspond to matrix operations
- Term-by-term operators use ".\*", "./", and ".^"
  - Matlab documentation calls these "array operations" (as opposed to "matrix operations")
- Why doesn't Matlab include operators ".+" and ".-"?
  - This is because these operators are not needed for linear algebra. Instead, you can use the standard "+" and "-" operators on arrays.

## Shapes Must Match

- Examples
 

```
a = [4 8 12]
b = [1; 2; 4] % Column vector

a + b % Error
a + b' % [5 10 16]

a ./ b % Error
a' ./ b % [4; 4; 3]
```
- Exception to shape matching
  - Scalars follow special rules
  - "A scalar can operate into anything"
- Scalar examples
 

```
a + 1 % [5 9 13]
10 + a % [14 18 22]
2 .* a % [8 16 24]
a ./ 2 % [2 4 6]
24 ./ a % [6 3 2]
a .^ 2 % [16 64 144]
```

## Example: Pair-Sums

- Given a vector, report the vector of pair-sums (i.e., the sums of adjacent items)
  - Example: The pair-sum for [7 0 5 2] is [7 5 7]
- Function header
 

```
function s = pairSum(v)
% Return vector v's pair sums
```
- Iterative code
 

```
function s = pairSum(v)
% Return vector v's pair sums
s = [];
for k = 1: length(v)-1
 s(k) = v(k) + v(k+1);
end
```
- Vectorized code
 

```
function s = pairSum(v)
% Return vector v's pair sums
s = v(1:end-1) + v(2:end);
```

## Relational Operators

- Comparison operators (e.g., "<", ">", "==", etc.) also operate term-by-term, creating arrays of boolean values
- Examples
 

```
a = [7 0 5 2 4 6]
b = 1:6
a < b % [0 1 0 1 1 0]
a == b % [0 0 0 0 0 1]
```

## Logical Operators

- Logical operators (e.g., "&", "|") also operate term-by-term, creating arrays of boolean values

- Recall: in Matlab, any nonzero value is considered to be "true"

- Examples

```
a = [7 0 5 2 4 6]
b = 1:6
a & b % [1 0 1 1 1]
a < b & mod(b,2) == 0 % [0 1 0 1 0]
a < b && mod(b,2) == 0 % Error
```

## Short-Circuit Logical Operators

- Why two versions (&, &&) of "and"?

- In <operand> & <operand>, both operands are evaluated before the &-operation is done

- In <operand> && <operand>, the first operand is evaluated; if it's **false** then we don't bother evaluating the other operand

- Similar for the two versions (|, ||) of "or"

- In <operand> || <operand>, the first operand is evaluated; if it's **true** then we don't bother evaluating the other operand

- Example use:

```
while (k > 0 && v(k) < 100) % Without short-circuit, Error
...
```

## Example: How Many F's?

- Goal: Determine how many times a particular character appears in a string

- Example: How many f's in "An example of efficiently finding f"

- Function header

```
function n = charCount(s,c)
% Report # of c's in string s
```

- Iterative code

```
function n = charCount(s,c)
% Report # of c's in string s
n = 0;
for k = 1: length(s)
 if s(k) == c
 n = n + 1;
 end
end
```

- Vectorized code

```
function n = charCount(s,c)
% Report # of c's in string s
n = sum(c == s);
```

## Testing Vectors of Logical Values

- Sometimes we must condense a vector of logical values into a single value, either true or false

- To use in an if-statement or a loop, for instance

- Matlab provides two functions for doing this: **any** and **all**

- Each of these functions takes a single vector (or matrix) as its argument

- Function **any** returns true if and only if *there is some value* in the vector that is true (nonzero)

- Function **all** returns true if and only if *all values* in the vector are true (nonzero)

- For example, to check if two strings are equal, we can use the following code

```
if length(strA) == length(strB) && all(strA == strB)
% Code doing something with the strings
end
```

## Pre-allocating Arrays

- Recall the iterative version of the pair-sum example

```
function s = pairSum(v)
% Return vector v's pair sums
s = [];
for k = 1: length(v)-1
 s(k) = v(k) + v(k+1);
end
```

- Vector **s** grows as needed

- This works fine in Matlab, but...
  - It's slow

- It will run faster if we *pre-allocate* the array **s**

```
function s = pairSum(v)
% Return vector v's pair sums
s = zeros(length(v) - 1);
for k = 1: length(v)-1
 s(k) = v(k) + v(k+1);
end
```

- Note though that *vectorized code* is even faster!

## Improving Efficiency

- For efficiency

- Use vectorized code if possible
  - If you must use a loop, pre-allocate any arrays

- We can write a program to test these ideas

- Matlab provides built-in functions "tic" (start timer) and "toc" (report time elapsed since tic)