



Outline

- Announcements:
 - Homework IV due Friday by 5, by e-mail
 - Absolutely no exceptions!
 - Answers will be posted on web
 - I will be available during office hours & by appt.
 - Homework III: answers on web
- Homework III
- What you know
- What I haven't told you, & where to find out more
- Course Evaluations

Homework III

- Most did well
- Swan Modeling
 - Each iteration j
 - compute $B(N(j))$, $D(N(j))$, $P(N(j))$
 - if(random # < P) $N(j+1)=N(j)+1$ else $N(j+1)=N(j)-1$ end
 - compute dt
 - $t(j+1)=t(j)+dt$

Swan Modeling

- Can do iterations with for or while loops:


```
for j=1:MAXEVENT-1
  <Get N(j+1) & t(j+1)>
  if(N(j+1)<=0) break;end
end
```
- or


```
j=1;
while(j<MAXEVENT & N(j)<0)
  <Get N(j+1) & t(j+1)>
  j=j+1;
end
```
- then
 - N=N(1:j+1) (for loop) or N=N(1:j) (while loop) to delete unneeded elements

Swan Experiment

- Initialize counters: extinct=0; trials=100;
- Call your function 100 times
- analyze t and N to determine if extinct before 20 years


```
n=length(t)
if(t(n)<=20 & N(n)<=0)
  extinct=extinct+1;
elseif(t(n)<20)
  trials=trials-1;
end
```
- Then, $\text{Prb}\{\text{extinct before 20}\} = \text{extinct}/\text{trials}$

What Do You Know?

	Data	→ Program	→ Output
Currents	SSH	Geostropic eq.	U,V,plot
Weather	T,V,M	Finite diff.	T,V,M in future
Bioinformatics	ATCGCGTA...	Search for genes	Location of genes
Electronics	Signal	FFT	Plot of spectrum

- You know enough Matlab to do solve any of these problems

What Do You Know?

- You know how to
 - get ASCII and binary data into Matlab
 - data are stored in arrays (vectors, matrices, ND-arrays)
 - Manipulate data with array operations
 - find, relational and logical operators
 - get data out of Matlab

What Do You Know?

- You know that Matlab has built in functions for
 - statistics
 - graphics
 - solving ODE's
 - solving linear systems and analyzing matrices

What I Haven't Told You

- Matlab has lots of functions, and you'll never know them all
 - learn about functions through
 - help, helpwin, or help browser (through GUI)
 - www.mathworks.com

What I Haven't Told You

- Other important packages
 - signal processing (beyond FFT)
 - splines (turn anything into a smooth function)
 - finance (follow the money)
 - mapping (explore your world)
 - optimization (the best of all possible worlds)
 - Simulink (GUI for creating dynamical systems)

What Do You Know?

- You know how to extend Matlab's capabilities through functions
 - function [outputs]=fname(inputs);
- And that Matlab is a procedural programming language
 - Iterations with for & while loops
 - Conditionals with if-elseif-else-end
 - error(estring)
- And that Matlab functions can be polymorphic
 - nargin, varargin, etc.

What I Haven't Told You

- Matlab is more than just arrays of doubles
 - structs--similar to C-structs or Java objects
 - Create a variable called student with fields:
 - name--string with student's name
 - ID-- a number
 - balance--balance on Bursar account
 - hold--(logical) Bursar hold status (always true)
 - Get data out with student.fieldname

What I Haven't Told You

- Cell-arrays are arrays of anything
 - `C=cell(3,1);` %creates a cell-array with 3 elements
 - `C{1}=[1:3]; C{2}=student;`
`C{3}=randn(1000);`
- Cell-arrays are especially useful for holding text data

Other Scientific Computing Courses

- CS421--Introduces basic concepts and issues in scientific computing and numerical analysis
- CS621, CS622, CS624--Advanced scientific computing and numerical analysis (Matrices, Optimization, ODE/PDE's)
- Math and Applied Math offer courses on linear algebra, ODE/PDE's
- Domain-specific courses in your department

Other Scientific Computing Courses

- CIS Tools Curriculum
 - Fall: MATLAB
 - 401: the basics
 - 402: visualization (starts October 15)
 - Spring: General tools
 - 403: Developing scientific computer programs (compilers, debuggers, managing large projects)
 - 404: Numerical libraries

Evaluations

- Please give me as much data as you can
 - specific lecture/topics you liked & those you didn't
 - other topics to cover?
 - Tools Curriculum & mini-course format?
- Thanks!
