

CS 1132 lecture 3

- I. Printing with `fprintf()`
 - a. First argument is format string, subsequent arguments are substitution values
 - b. Right-aligned within total number of columns – good for tables
 - c. Fixed-point: absolute precision
 - d. Floating-point (scientific notation): relative precision (sig-figs)
 - e. Must explicitly request end of line with `'\n'`
 - f. To capture full precision of double values, must use `%.17e` (or `%.17g`)
- II. Relational operators
 - a. Cannot write “in between” relations – each operation evaluates to 0 or 1
- III. Logical operators
 - a. Short-circuit behavior
 - b. Avoid evaluating expensive, invalid expressions
- IV. Visualization for Monte Carlo estimator
 - a. `plot()` syntax
 - b. “hold on”: Overlay subsequent plots
 - c. “axis equal”: Preserve geometry (consider if x and y have same units)
 - d. Demo
- V. Example: estimate pi via annulus
 - a. Relate area ratio to pi
 - b. Compound condition for “hit”
- VI. while-loop
 - a. Indefinite iteration
 - b. Does not include counter
 - c. Can do anything a for-loop can
 - d. Loop patterns
 - i. Repeat N times
 - ii. Repeat until stopping signal
- VII. Vectors
 - a. All variables in MATLAB store matrices
 - b. Indexing

- i. Starts at 1
 - ii. Ends with length(v) (or keyword “end”)
 - iii. Syntax: parentheses
- c. Creating
 - i. zeros(), ones(), rand()
 - ii. linspace()
 - iii. Range expression
 - iv. Literals (square brackets)
 - 1. Spaces, commas separate columns (create row-vectors)
 - 2. Semicolons separate rows (create column-vectors)

VIII. Example: Cumulative sum

```
function csum = cumulativeSum(v)

% csum is the vector of cumulative sums of vector v.
% Assume v is not empty.
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IX. Plotting vectors

- a. Can plot lines
- b. Can plot many points without “hold on” (and will be faster)