

List of Matlab commands

General Purpose

Operators and Special Characters

+, -, *, ./, ^, .^, /, \, \., \./, :, (), [], ., ..., ;, ;, %, ' =

Managing a Session

clc Clears Command window
clear Removes variables from memory

Special Variables and Constants

ans Most recent answer
eps Accuracy of floating-point precision
i, j The imaginary unit $\sqrt{-1}$
pi The number π

Input/Output Commands

disp Displays contents of an array or string

Vector, Matrices and Arrays

Array Commands

find Finds indices of nonzero elements.
`ind = find(X)`
`ind = find(X, k)`
`[row, col] = find(X)`

length Computes number of elements.
`numberOfElements = length(array)`

linspace Creates regularly spaced vector.
`y = linspace(a, b)`
`y = linspace(a, b, n)`

logspace Creates log spaced vector.
`y = logspace(a, b)`
`y = logspace(a, b, n)`

max Returns largest element.
`C = max(A)`
`[C, I] = max(A)`

min Returns smallest element.

reshape Change size
`B = reshape(A, m, n)`

repmat Replicate and tile array
`B = repmat(A, m, n)`

size Computes array size
`d = size(X)`
`[m, n] = size(X)`

sort Sorts each column.
`B = sort(A)`
`B = sort(A, dim)`
`[B, IX] = sort(A)`

sum Sums each column.
`B = sum(A)`
`B = sum(A, dim)`

sub2ind Convert subscripts to linear indices

`ind = sub2ind(matrSize, rowSub, colSub)`

ind2sub Subscripts from linear index
`[I, J] = ind2sub(siz, IND)`

numel Number of elements in array or subscripted array expression
`n = numel(A)`

Special Matrices

eye Creates an identity matrix.
ones Creates an array of ones.
zeros Creates an array of zeros.
diag Diagonal matrices

Matrix Arithmetic

cross Computes cross products.
`C = cross(A, B)`
`C = cross(A, B, dim)`

dot Computes dot products.
`C = dot(A, B)`
`C = dot(A, B, dim)`

Solving Linear Equations

det Computes determinant of an array.
inv Computes inverse of a matrix.
pinv Computes pseudoinverse of a matrix.
Solve linear equations in the least-squares sense.

rank Computes rank of a matrix.
trace Sum of diagonal elements
norm Vector and matrix norms.

Plotting Commands

Basic xy Plotting Commands

axis Sets axis limits.
`axis([xmin xmax ymin ymax])`

grid Displays gridlines.

plot Generates xy plot.
`plot(Y)`
`plot(X1, Y1, ..., Xn, Yn)`

title Puts text at top of plot.

xlabel Adds text label to x-axis.
ylabel Adds text label to y-axis.

figure Opens a new figure window.

Hold on/off Freezes/unfreezes current plot.

text Places string in figure

Specialized Plot Commands

bar bar chart.
`bar(Y)`
`bar(x, Y)`

polar polar plot.
`polar(theta, rho)`

hist Create and plot histogram
`hist(data)`
`hist(data, nbins)`

	<code>hist(data, xcenters)</code>	
Color Symbol Line		
<code>y</code> yellow	<code>.</code> point	<code>-</code> solid
<code>m</code> magenta	<code>o</code> circle	<code>:</code> dotted
<code>c</code> cyan	<code>x</code> x-mark	<code>-.</code> dash dotted
<code>r</code> red	<code>+</code> plus	<code>--</code> dashed
<code>g</code> green	<code>*</code> star	
<code>b</code> blue	<code>d</code> diamond	
<code>w</code> white	<code>v</code> triangle (down)	
<code>k</code> black	<code>^</code> triangle (up)	

Three-Dimensional Plots

<code>contour</code>	Creates contour plot
<code>mesh</code>	mesh surface plot
<code>plot3</code>	lines and points
<code>surf</code>	shaded mesh surface plot
<code>surfc</code>	surf with contour plot underneath
<code>meshgrid</code>	Creates rectangular grid
<code>zlabel</code>	Adds text label to z-axis

Programming

Logical and Relation Operators

`=`, `~=`, `<`, `<=`, `>`, `>=`, `&`, `|`, `~`, `xor`

Flow Control

<code>break</code>	Terminates execution of a loop
<code>error</code>	Display error messages <code>error('msgString')</code>
<code>for</code>	for <code>var = drange</code> statements end
<code>if</code>	if <code>expression</code> statements elseif <code>expression</code> statements else statements end
<code>return</code>	Return to the invoking function
<code>switch</code>	Return to the invoking function comparing with case expressions switch <code>switch_expression</code> case <code>case_expression</code> statements case <code>case_expression</code> statements : otherwise statements end
<code>warning</code>	Display a warning message.
<code>while</code>	while <code>expression</code> statements end

Logical Functions

<code>any</code>	True if any elements are nonzero
<code>all</code>	True if all elements are nonzero

<code>find</code>	Finds indices of nonzero elements
<code>logical</code>	Convert numeric values to logical
M-Files	
<code>function</code>	Creates a function M-file.
<code>global</code>	Define global variables
Timing	
<code>cputime</code>	CPU time in seconds.
<code>clock</code>	Current date and time
<code>tic, toc</code>	Start, stop a stopwatch timer.

Mathematical Functions

Exponential and Logarithms

`Exp`, `log`, `ln`, `log10`, `sqrt`

Trigonometric

`cos`, `cot`, `csc`, `sec`, `sin`, `tan`

Inverse trig

`acos`, `acot`, `acsc`, `asec`, `asin`, `atan`

Complex Functions

<code>abs</code>	Absolute value; $ x $.
<code>angle</code>	Angle of a complex number x .
<code>conj</code>	Complex conjugate of x .
<code>imag</code>	Imaginary part
<code>real</code>	Real part

Statistical Functions

<code>mean</code>	Average $M = \text{mean}(A)$ $M = \text{mean}(A, \text{dim})$
<code>median</code>	median.
<code>std</code>	standard deviation
<code>var</code>	variance

Random Numbers

<code>rand</code>	uniformly distributed random numbers between 0 and 1. $r = \text{rand}(n)$ $r = \text{rand}(m, n)$
<code>randn</code>	normally distributed random numbers $r = \text{randn}(n)$ $r = \text{randn}(m, n)$

Numeric Functions

<code>ceil</code>	Round up
<code>floor</code>	Round down
<code>round</code>	Round to nearest integer
<code>sign</code>	Signum
<code>rem</code>	Remainder after division
<code>mod</code>	Modulus after division

Numerical Methods

Polynomial

<code>eig</code>	eigenvalues of a matrix. $d = \text{eig}(A)$ $[V, D] = \text{eig}(A)$
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poly Computes polynomial from roots
roots Computes polynomial roots.
`r = roots(c)`

Root Finding and Minimization

fminbnd Find minimum of single-variable function on fixed interval

`x = fminbnd(fun,x1,x2)`

fminsearch Find minimum of unconstrained multivariable

`x = fminsearch(fun,x0)`

fzero Finds zero of single-variable function.

`x = fzero(fun,x0)`

Numerical Integration

quad Numerical integration with adaptive Simpson's rule.

`q = quad(fun,a,b)`

trapz Numerical integration with the trapezoidal rule.

`Z = trapz(Y)`

`Z = trapz(Y,dim)`

Numerical Differentiation

diff the difference between adjacent elements

`Y = diff(X)`

`Y = diff(X,n)`

`Y = diff(X,n,dim)`

List of muPad commands

General Purpose

`:=` Assign variables
`;` Statement sequences
`delete` Delete the value of an identifier
`delete x1, x2, ...`
`reset` Re-initialize a session
`/% %/` comment

Special Values

`TRUE` Boolean constant TRUE
`FALSE` Boolean constant FALSE
`UNKNOWN` Boolean constant UNKNOWN
`infinity` Real positive infinity

Common Operations

`..` Range operator
`nops` Number of operands
`op` Operands of an object
`op(object, [i1, i2, ...])`
`domtype` Data type of an object
`prog::exptree` Visualize an expression as tree
`Print` Print command

Operations on Lists, sets, Stering, etc ...

`{}` Define a set.
`Set:={...}`
`""` Define a string.
`S1:=""...`
`.` Concatenate
`$` Such that.
`set:={f(i) $ i=a..b}`
`map` Apply function to set/sequence/list.
`Map(set,f)`
`[]` Define a list
`List:=[a,b,...]`
`sort` Sort a list.
`sort(list)`
`select` Select from a list/set/sequence
`Select(list,boolFunc)`

Programming Basics

Flow control

`switch` Switch statement
`case x`
`of match1 do`
`statements1`
`of match2 do`
`statements2`
`...`
`otherwise`
`otherstatements`
`end_case`
`case x`
`of match1 do`
`statements1`
`of match2 do`
`statements2`
`...`
`end_case`
`for` For loop
`for i from start to stop do`
`body`
`end_for`
`for i from start to stop`
`step stepwidth do`
`body`
`end_for`
`_for(i, start, stop,`
`stepwidth, body)`
`for i from start downto stop`
`do`
`body`
`end_for`

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for i from start downto stop
step stepwidth do
    body
end_for
if If-statement (conditional branch in a
program)
if condition1
then casetrue1
    elif condition2 then
casetrue2
    elif condition3 then
casetrue3
    ...
    else casefalse
    end_if
while "while" loop
while condition do
    body
end_while
return Exit a procedure
proc Define a procedure
proc(x1, x2, ...)
begin
    body
end_proc

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Mathematics

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-> Define a function/procedure inline
(x1, x2, ... ) -> body
--> Turn an expression into a procedure.
f:=x^2: g:=x->f
@ Compose functions
f @ g @ ...

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Symbolic Solvers

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linsolve Solve a system of linear equations
linsolve(eqs, vars,
options)
RootOf Set of roots of a polynomial
RootOf(f, x)
solve Solve equations and inequalities
solve(eq, x, options)
solve(eq, x = a .. b,
options)

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Numeric Solvers

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numeric:: Search for a numerical root of a system
fsolve of equations
numeric::fsolve(eq, x,
options)
numeric::fsolve(eq, x =
a, options)
numeric::fsolve(eq, x =
a .. b, options)
numeric:: Least squares solution of linear
leastSquares equations
numeric::leastSquares(A,

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B, <mode>, <method>,
options)
numeric:: Solve a system of linear equations
linsolve numeric::linsolve(eqs,
<vars>, options)
numeric:: Numerical solution of equations (the
solve float attribute of solve). Find all roots.
numeric::solve(eqs,
<vars>, options)

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Properties and Assumptions

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is Check a mathematical property of an expression
is(cond)
is(ex, set)

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Simplification

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factorou Factor out a given expression
t factorout(x, f, <list>)
simplify Simplify an expression
Simplify(f)
expand Expand an expression
expand(f, options)
subs Substitute into an object
subs(f, old = new)

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Calculus

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D Differential operator for functions
D(f)
diff Differentiate an expression or a
polynomial
diff(f)
diff(f, x)
diff(f, x1, x2, ...)
diff(f, x $ 3)
int Definite and indefinite integrals
int(f, x)
int(f, x = a .. b,
options)
numeric:: Numerical integration ( Quadrature )
quadratur numeric::quadrature(f(x),
e x = a .. b)
taylor Compute a Taylor series expansion
taylor(f, x = x0,
<order>)
sum Definite and indefinite summation
sum(f, i)
sum(f, i = a .. b)
numeric:: Numerical approximation of sums
sum (the Float attribute of Sum )
numeric::sum(f(x), x = a
.. b)
numeric::sum(f(x), x in
{x1, x2, ...})
limit Compute a limit
limit(f, x = x0, <Left |
Right | Real>,
<Intervals>)

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Linear Algebra

<code>array</code>	Create an array <code>array(m₁ .. n₁, <m₂ .. n₂, ...>)</code> <code>array(m₁ .. n₁, <m₂ .. n₂, ...>, index₁ = entry₁, index₂ = entry₂, ...)</code> <code>array(m₁ .. n₁, <m₂ .. n₂, ...>, List)</code> <code>array(<m₁ .. n₁, m₂ .. n₂, ...>, ListOfLists)</code>
<code>matrix</code>	Create a matrix or a vector <code>matrix(Array)</code> <code>matrix(List)</code> <code>matrix(ListOfRows)</code> <code>matrix(m, n)</code> <code>matrix(m, n, Array)</code> <code>matrix(m, n, List)</code> <code>matrix(m, n, ListOfRows)</code> <code>matrix(m, n, [(i₁, j₁) = value₁, (i₂, j₂) = value₂, ...])</code> <code>matrix(m, n, f)</code> <code>matrix(m, n, List, Diagonal)</code>
<code>Dom::</code>	Constructor
<code><ring></code>	Constructor:=Dom::IntegerMod(7)
<code>linalg</code>	Generate a random matrix
<code>::</code>	<code>linalg::randomMatrix(m, n,</code>
<code>random</code>	<code><R>, <bound>)</code>
<code>Matrix</code>	

Matrix Operations and Transformations

<code>linalg::addCol</code>	Add a columns
<code>linalg::addRow</code>	Add a row
<code>linalg::col</code>	Extract columns of a matrix
<code>linalg::delCol</code>	Delete matrix columns
<code>linalg::delRow</code>	Delete matrix rows
<code>linalg::row</code>	Extract rows of a matrix
<code>inverse</code>	Inverse of a matrix
<code>transpose</code>	Transpose of a matrix
<code>linalg::</code>	Moore-Penrose inverse of a
<code>pseudoInverse</code>	matrix
<code>numeric::</code>	Numerical inverse of a matrix
<code>inverse</code>	
<code>norm</code>	norm of a matrix or vector
<code>linalg::</code>	Normalize a vector
<code>normalize</code>	
<code>det</code>	Determinant
<code>numeric::det</code>	Numerical determinant
<code>linalg::angle</code>	Angle between two vectors
<code>linalg::ncols</code>	Number of columns
<code>linalg::nrows</code>	Number of rows
<code>linalg::</code>	Square root of a matrix
<code>sqrtMatrix</code>	
<code>linalg::tr</code>	Trace
<code>linalg::matdim</code>	Dimension of a matrix
<code>linalg::</code>	Basis for the null space

<code>nullspace</code>	
<code>linalg::orthog</code>	Orthogonalization of vectors
<code>linalg::rank</code>	Rank of a matrix
<code>numeric::rank</code>	Numerical estimate of the rank of a matrix
<code>linalg::</code>	Eigenvalues
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<code>eigenvectors</code>	
<code>numeric::</code>	Numerical eigenvalues
<code>eigenvalues</code>	
<code>numeric::</code>	Numerical eigenvalues
<code>eigenvectors</code>	

Polynomial Algebra

<code>poly</code>	Create a polynomial <code>poly(f, <[x₁, x₂, ...]>, <ring>)</code>
<code>divide</code>	Divide polynomials <code>divide(p, q)</code>
<code>coeff</code>	Coefficients of a polynomial <code>coeff(p, <x>, n)</code>
<code>degree</code>	Degree of a polynomial <code>degree(p)</code> <code>degree(p, x)</code>
<code>numeric::</code>	Numerical roots of a univariate polynomial
<code>polyroots</code>	<code>numeric::polyroots(eqs)</code>
<code>numeric::</code>	Numerical search for a real root of a real univariate function
<code>realroot</code>	
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Mathematical functions

Complex Numbers

abs, arg, Re, Im

Exponents and Logarithms

exp, ln, log, log10, log2, ^, sqrt

Trigonometric Functions

arcsin, arccos, arctan, arccsc,
arcsec, arccot, sin, cos, tan, csc,
sec, cot

Numbers and Precision

float Convert to a floating-point number

Operations on Numbers

ceil Rounding up to the next integer
floor Rounding down to the next integer
conjugate Complex conjugation
max Maximum of numbers
min Minimum of numbers
round Rounding to the nearest integer

Random Numbers

frandom Generate random floating-point numbers
frandom()
frandom(seed)
random Generate random integer numbers
random(n_1 .. n_2)
random(n)
die := random(1..6):
die() \$ i = 1..20
stats:: Generate a random number generator for
normal deviates
Random stats::normalRandom(m, v,
<Seed = s>)
stats:: Generate a random number generator for
uniformly continuous deviates
Random stats::uniformRandom(a, b,
<Seed = s>)

Discrete Mathematics

gcd Greatest common divisor of
polynomials
gcd(p, q)
fact, ! Factorial function
div Integer part of a quotient
m div n
mod Modulo operator
x mod m
bool Boolean evaluation
bool(b)
isprime

Set Operations

contains Test if an entry exists in a container
contains(s, object)
in Membership
x in set
intersect Intersection of sets and/or intervals
 set_1 intersect set_2
minus Difference of sets and/or intervals
 set_1 minus set_2
union Union of sets and/or intervals
 set_1 union set_2

Graphics

plot Display graphical objects on the
screen
plot(object)
plot(sin(x));
plot(sin(x)/x, x=-1..1);
plot([2*cos(t), sin(t)], t=
0..2*PI)
Parametric representation
plot([2*cos(t), sin(t)], t=
0..2*PI);
plot:: Plot a list of points.
PointList plot(plot::PointList2d([[
2d 1,1], [2,2], [3,3]]));
plot:: Plot a list of points connected by a
Polygon2d line.
plot(plot::Polygon2d([[1,
1], [2,4], [3,3]]));
plot:: 3D version of
PointList plot::PointList2d
2d plot(plot::PointList3d([[
1,1,1], [1,2,2],
[1,3,2]])
plot:: 3D version of
Polygon2d plot::Polygon2d
plot(plot::Polygon3d([[1,
1,1], [2,4,2], [3,3,1]]));
plotfunc3 Plot a 3D function
d plotfunc3d(1/(x^2 + y^2),
plot(...,#3 x = -1..1, y = -1..1):
D)
plot:: Plot implicit functions
Implicit2 plot(plot::Implicit2d(x^3
d +x+2=y^2, x=-5..5, y=-
plot:: 5..5));
Implicit3 plot(plot::Implicit3d(x^2
d +y^2+z^2=1, x=-2..2, y=-
2..2, z=-2..2));
plot:: Polar representation
Polar plot(plot::Polar([r(t), t]
, t=0..2*PI))