

## MATLAB.1

Texts:

[B-D] Boyce & DiPrima, Elementary Diff. Eq. & B.V. Problems, 7th Ed  
 [P-A] Polking & Arnold, ODEs using MATLAB, 2nd Ed

## A. Getting Started with MATLAB

Read Chapters 1 and 3 in Polking. Do this before trying to go on.

## B. More on Functions

Once a function  $y=g(x)$  is defined with a M-file you now know how to graph it on an interval  $[a,b]$  using the plot command. First you partition  $[a,b]$ . Next you evaluate  $g$  at these values. The plot command then plots these vertices connecting them by lines to give a piecewise linear approximation to the graph of  $g$ .

example: Plot  $\sin(x^2)$  on  $[-1,4]$ . First we make a M-file.

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function y=g(x)
y=sin(x.^2);
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Go to the command window and type:

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x=-1:.1:4;
plot(x,g(x))
title('y=sin(x^2)')
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Note  $x=[-1,-.9,\dots,3.9,4]$  and  $g(x)=[g(-1),g(-.9),\dots,g(3.9),g(4)]$ .

The graph is pretty crude because  $g$  oscillates more as  $x$  increases. A second way to graph is with the command fplot.

example: (continued)

Go to the command window and type:

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fplot('g(x)',[-1,4])
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One of the conveniences of fplot is, given  $g.m$ , it determines how fine the partition of  $[a,b]$  needs to be (what the vector  $x$  should be) so that the piecewise linear approximation gives an accurate picture. A second feature of fplot is that it does not require  $g.m$  to be written with array smart notation as is required when using plot.

CAUTION!! Don't name a function  $y(x)$  (that is, use the file  $y.m$ ); fplot will not plot it. Also fplot only recognizes "x" as the independent variable. So type "fplot('g(x)',[-1,4])", not "fplot('g(t)',[-1,4])" even if you used "t" as the independent variable in  $g.m$ .

ASSIGNMENT 1 :

A. a) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$        $B = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$        $C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$v = [3 \ 5]'$        $w = [2 \ -9]'$        $x = [-4 \ 3]$        $y = [0 \ 6 \ -3]$ .

Note  $[]'$  is the transpose of  $[]$ .

Try to find the following combinations in MATLAB. Which are defined and which are not? Where a combination is not defined explain why.

$A*A$     $A*B$     $A*C$     $A.*A$     $A+B$     $A+C$     $A./C$     $A.\B$

$A*x$     $x*A$     $v*A$     $x.*A$     $A.*x$     $y*C$     $C*x$     $C*y$

$A*v$     $A*w$     $x+v$     $v+w$     $x*x$     $v.*w$     $w.*v$     $y.^2$

$y^2$     $A^2$     $x+y$     $v*y$     $v.*y$     $v*w$     $x*w$     $x.*w$

b) Show that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  commute.

c) Consider the initial value problem

$$\begin{aligned} z''(x) + 4z(x) &= 0 \\ z(0) &= 1 \\ z(0) &= -2. \end{aligned}$$

From Section 5.2 in [B-D] we have a power series representation for  $z(x)$

$$z = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots$$

where  $a_0 = z(0) = 1$  and  $a_1 = z'(0) = -2$ .

From Math 262 you can solve the i.v.p. exactly,

$$z = \cos(2x) - \sin(2x) \quad (\text{for a review of this see Chapter 3 in [B-D]}).$$

First find  $a_2$  and  $a_3$ . Then make M.files for the three functions

$$z_2(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x.^2, \quad z_3(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x.^2 + a_3x.^3,$$

and  $z(x) = \cos(2x) - \sin(2x)$  for  $x$  in  $[0, \pi/2]$ .

Plot the three curves on the same figure. Use different line styles for each curve, and label the figure appropriately.

B. Graph  $f(x) = \cos(x.^4)$  on  $[0, 2]$ .

- Use the plot command with subintervals of length  $h = .2$ .
- Use fplot.

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