

MATLAB

Applications: Statistics

CS101 Lecture #25

Administrivia

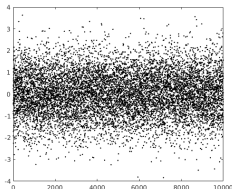
- ❖ Homework #12 is due Friday, Jan. 13.
- ❖ Final examination will be held Jan. 20, Friday 8am-11am in A-0414.

Recall: Matrix Indexing and Plot

- To refer to multiple elements of an array, use the colon operator to specify a range of the form start:end.
 - `A(1:3,2)` first 3 rows, 2nd column
 - `A(3,:)` all columns in 3rd row
- `plot` <https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/ref/plot.html>
- `plot(Y)` creates a 2-D line plot of the data in `Y` versus the index of each value. If `Y` is a matrix, then the plot function plots the columns of `Y` versus their row number. The x-axis scale ranges from 1 to the number of rows in `Y`.
- `plot(X,Y)` creates a 2-D line plot of the data in `Y` versus the corresponding values in `X`.

Warmup Questions

Question #1



Which of the following could produce this plot?

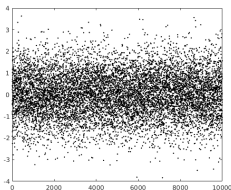
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B `x = A \ b;`

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Question #2

$$\underline{Ax} = \underline{b}$$

Which is the preferred way to solve this matrix–vector equation?

A `x = inv(A) * b;` Why not this one? If A is a square matrix, `A \ b` is roughly equal to `inv(A) * b`, but MATLAB processes `A \ b` differently and more robustly.
<https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/ref/mldivide.html>
<https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/ref/inv.html>

B `x = A \ b;` ★

C `x = inv(A) .* b;`

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Question #3

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & 1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix};$$

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Are A and B equal in value?

A Yes

B No

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B No ✖

Example: Brexit polling

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% poll is a matrix.  
% In matlab, you can use  
% poll = importdata('brexit.csv');  
% Then change below poll to be poll.data  
  
plot( poll(:,2) );  
plot( poll(:,3) );  
% oh no! our plotted data disappeared!
```

Example: Brexit polling

```
poll = csvread('brexit.csv');  
hold on; % make plots persistent until closed  
plot( poll(:,2) );  
plot( poll(:,3) );  
plot( poll(:,4) );
```

Example: Brexit polling

```
n = numel(poll(:,2));

mean_r = mean( poll(:,2) ) * ones( n+1,1 );
stdev_r = std( poll(:,2) );
std_rp = mean_r+stdev_r;
std_rm = mean_r-stdev_r;
hold on
plot( poll(:,2), 'ro' );
plot( 0:n,mean_r, 'r-' );
plot( 0:n,std_rp, 'r--' );
plot( 0:n,std_rm, 'r--' );
```

Example: Brexit polling

```
n = numel(poll(:,2));
mean_r = rolling_mean( poll(:,2)', 25 );
stdev_r = rolling_std( poll(:,2)', 25 );
std_rp = mean_r+stdev_r;
std_rm = mean_r-stdev_r;
hold on
plot( poll(:,2), 'ro' );
plot( 0:n-1,mean_r, 'r-' );
plot( 0:n-1,std_rp, 'r--' );
plot( 0:n-1,std_rm, 'r--' );
```

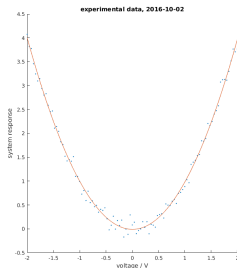
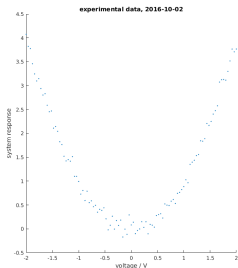
Statistics

Statistical quantities

- Many operations are available:
 - `mean` (average), `median`, `std`
 - `max`, `min`, `range`
 - `iqr` (interquartile range), `corrcoef` (the correlation coefficient of two random variables is a measure of their linear dependence) (not yet supported in Octave but supported by <https://octave.sourceforge.io/nan/function/corrcoef.html>)
 - `sort`
 - `boxplot`, `hist`

Statistical quantities

- Often we would like to *fit* a set of data to an equation.
- We can then *interpolate* or *extrapolate*.
 - interpolate: to estimate a value within two known values in a sequence of values.
 - extrapolate: to infer something that is not explicitly stated from existing information.
- This is called *curve fitting* or *regression*.



- ❖ The simplest form of fitting is to a polynomial:

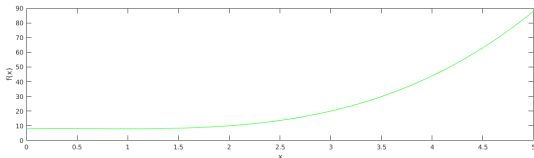
$$f(x) = a_1x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_3x + a_4$$

- ❖ (Note that the numbering is a bit odd!)
- ❖ But first, we need to see how MATLAB represents polynomials.

Polynomials

$$a_1x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_3x + a_4$$

[a1 a2 a3 a4]



$$x^3 - 2x^2 + x + 8$$

[1 -2 1 8]

$$(x^3 + x^2 + x) + (x^2 + x + 1)$$

❖ How would we write such an operation?

$$[1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0] + [0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$$

$$x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 1$$

- How can we evaluate a polynomial stored as an array?

$$f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$f(2) = 2^3 + 2 \cdot 2^2 + 2 \cdot 2 + 1 = 8 + 8 + 4 + 1 = 21$$

```
polyval( [1 2 2 1], 2 )
```

`polyval(p,x)` returns the value of a polynomial of degree `n` evaluated at `x` where `p` is a vector of length `n+1`.

Example: Data fitting

```
x = linspace( -1,1,11 );  
% linspace(x1,x2,n) generates n points  
% The spacing between the points is (x2-x1)/(n-1).  
  
y = [ 0.038 0.058 0.1 0.2 0.5 1 0.5 0.2 0.1 0.058 0.038 ];  
  
coefs = polyfit( x,y,2 );  
yfit = polyval( coefs,x );  
  
plot( x,y, '.', x,yfit, '-' );
```

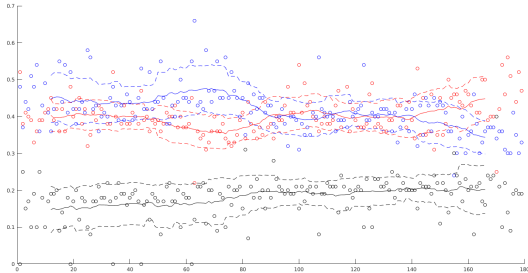
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y = [ 0.038 0.058 0.1 0.2 0.5 1 0.5 0.2 0.1 0.058 0.038 ];  
  
coefs = polyfit( x,y,10 );  
xfit = linspace( -1.5,1.5,101 );  
yfit = polyval( coefs,xfit );  
  
plot( x,y,'.', xfit,yfit,'-' );  
ylim( [-1 1] );
```


Example: Data fitting

```
x = linspace( 0,1,6 );  
y = [ 1 0.5 0.2 0.1 0.058 0.038 ];  
  
coefs = polyfit( x,y,3 );  
yfit = polyval( coefs,x );  
  
plot( x,y,'.', x,yfit,'-' );
```

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n = numel(poll(:,3));
mean_1 = rolling_mean( poll(:,3)', 25 );

fit_poly_1 = polyfit( 13:167,mean_1(13:167),19 );
poly_1 = polyval( fit_poly_1,1:n );

hold on
plot( poll(:,3), 'ro' );
plot( 1:n,mean_1, 'r-' );
plot( 1:n,poly_1, 'r:' );
```

Polynomials

- Other equations are possible besides polynomials:
- See the “Nonlinear Least-Squares Curve Fitting in the Optimization Toolbox” for more information.
<https://www.mathworks.com/help/optim/nonlinear-least-squares-curve-fitting.html>

Example: Data fitting

```
x = linspace( -2*pi,2*pi,21 );
y = sin( x );

figure; hold on;
plot( x,y,'.' );
for i = 2:9
    coefs = polyfit( x,y,i );
    xfit = linspace( -2*pi,2*pi,101 );
    yfit = polyval( coefs,xfit );
    plot( xfit,yfit,'-' );
end
```

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