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Command Desktop

Integrated development system:

- **Command Window**
- **Editor**
- **Command History**
- **Workspace Browser**
- **Profiler**
- **Current Directory Browser**
- **Shortcut-Bar**



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Online–Help

- Online-Help for all commands, functions etc.
- Command Window Help: `help [command]`
- Help-Browser: `helpwin [command]`
`doc [command]`
- Search for *searchstring*: `lookfor searchstring`



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Variables

- Names for variables:
 - maximum of 63 characters
 - Letters, underscore “_” und digits
 - First character must be a letter
 - Distinguish small and capital letters
- Assign value to variable: `variable_1 = 25`
- Standard answering variable `ans`
- Variables are globally defined in Workspace



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Types of Variables

- Types of Variables:

logical	logical values 0 oder 1
char	character (letters)
single	floating point single precision 32 Bit
double	floating point single precision 64 Bit
intX	integer X = 8, 16, 32, 64
uintX	unsigned integer X = 8, 16, 32, 64
struct	array of C-like structures
cell	array of indexed cells
map data	fast key lookup data structure

- double (default) and char widely used
- Optimised storage with sparse in contrast to full



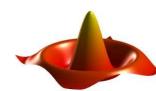
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Output, basic math operations and constants

- Comma or space after expression shows output,
semi-colon omits ouptut
- Operations:

+ Addition	- Subtraction
* Multiplication	/ Division
^ Power	
- Constants:

pi	Pi
eps	floating point accuracy
inf	Infinity
NaN	Not-a-Number
- Complexe numbers: i, j Imaginary Unit $\sqrt{-1}$



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Vectors and matrices

- Vectors: Separation of elements by comma or space:

```
vektor = [ 1 2 3 ]
```

- Matrices: Separation of rows by semi-colon:

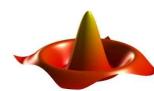
```
matrix = [ 1 2 3 ; 5 6 7 ]
```

- First element has index 1

- Colon for row/column: `zeile_1 = matrix(1,:)`

- Combining: `matrix = [vektor ; 5 6 7]`

- Last element: `matrix(:,end)`



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Specific vectors und matrizes

- Elements with same step width: `fort = (1:2:100)`
- Number *num* of points between *start* und *stop*:
 - linear: `linspace(start, stop, num)`
 - logarithmic: `logspace(start, stop, num)`
- Specific matrizes(*m* rows, *n* columns):
 - Identity matrix: `eye(m)`
 - Matrix of ones: `ones(m, n)`
 - Matrix of zeros: `zeros(m, n)`
 - Random matrix: `rand(m, n)`



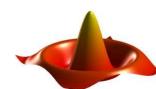
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Math functions

- Numerous math & trigonometric functions

<code>sqrt(x)</code>	square root	<code>rem(x,y)</code>	rest after division x/y
<code>exp(x)</code>	exponential function	<code>round(x)</code>	round
<code>log(x)</code>	natural Logarithm	<code>ceil (x)</code>	round to ceil
<code>log10(x)</code>	logarithmu of 10	<code>floor(x)</code>	round to floor
<code>abs(x)</code>	absolut	<code>sum(v)</code>	sum of vector elements
<code>sign(x)</code>	signum	<code>prod(v)</code>	product of vector elements
<code>real(x)</code>	real part	<code>min(v)</code>	smalles vector element
<code>imag(x)</code>	imaginary part	<code>max(v)</code>	largest of vector element
<code>angle(x)</code>	angle of complex number	<code>mean(v)</code>	arithmetic mean
<code>sin(x)</code>	sine	<code>atan(x)</code>	arcus-tangens $\pm 90^\circ$
<code>cos(x)</code>	cosine	<code>atan2(x,y)</code>	arcus-tangens $\pm 180^\circ$
<code>tan(x)</code>	tangens	<code>sinc(x)</code>	sinc-function $\sin(\pi x)/(\pi x)$

- Online-Help by `help elfun` and `help datafun`



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Calculating with vectors und matrizes

- Lots of operations usable with vectors and matrizes
- element-by-element operations with dot-operator “.”
- Specific operations for vectors und matrices:

.	transpose	$\det(x)$	determinant
,	conjugated trans.	$\text{rank}(x)$	rank
$\text{inv}(x)$	inversion	$\text{eig}(x)$	eigenvalue

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Structures and Cell Arrays

- Structures for data of different types:
scalars, matrices, strings, etc.
- Fields of structure contain values

```
str = struct ('name_1',value_1,'name_2',value_2,...)
```

- Access to field values with “.“-operator: *str.name*
- Cell arrays: Multidimensional structure



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Administration of variables

- Dimension:
 - of a vector: `length(vektor)`
 - of a matrix: `size(matrix)`
- Anzeigen:
 - `who [variable]`: only variable names
 - `whos [variable]`: name, size, bytes and class
- Deletion:
 - of a variable: `clear variable`
 - of all variables: `clear, clear all`



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Relational operators

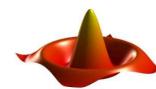
- Relational operators: `==`, `~=`, `<`, `<=`, `>`, `>=`,
- Test if variable x exists: `exist(x)`
- Relational operators can be used with scalars, vectors and matrizes
- Results: Zero (logical false) if operation is not true, otherwise One (logical true)
- Operator precedence:
 1. Mathematical expressions
 2. Relational operators from left to right



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Logical operators

- Logical operators: ~ NOT, & AND, | OR, xor XOR
- Logical operators can be used with scalars, vectors and matrizes
- Results: Zero is logical false, all other values are logical true. Results are always 0 or 1.
- Operator precedence:
 1. Mathematical expressions
 2. NOT
 3. AND and OR from left to right



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Further operators und logical indexing

- “Shortcut“ operators: `&&` (AND) und `||` (OR)

Stops if result is fully determined: (`1 || expression`)
expression is not evaluated

- Any element nonzero: `any(vektor)`
- All elements nonzero: `all(vektor)`
- Indizes of nonzero elements: `find(vektor)`
- Logical indexing: `a(a<0) = 1`



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Conditional Control

IF–statement

```
if logical expression  
    statements  
elseif logical expression  
    statements  
else  
    statements  
end
```

SWITCH–statement

```
switch expression(scalar or string)  
    case value1  
        statements  
    case {value2 value3 ...}  
        statements  
    otherwise  
        statements  
end
```

- Separate statements and commands with “,”, “;”
- Nesting of if and switch possible



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Loop Control

- FOR:

```
for variable = expression
statements
end
```

```
for n = 1:1:10 ,
f = n^2,
end
```
- WHILE:

```
while expression
statements
end
```

```
while w > 1 ,
w = w + 1 ;
end
```
- Loop:
 - Next iteration: `continue`
 - Termination: `break`
 - Termination: `return`



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MATLAB–Scripts

- M–File: Commands in ASCII–File with extension `.m`
- Comments:
 - `%` Comment
 - `%{ ... %}` Comment in several lines
 - `%%` Comments as cell-divider
- Continue command in next line: `...`
- Show commands and comments: `echo on`
- Controlled paged output: `more on`
- Display contents of file: `type file`



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MATLAB–functions I

- Specific sort of M–files:
 - Input arguments
 - Output of values
 - Local variables
- Definition: `function [var] = functionname (par)`
- Internal indicators: `nargin, nargout`
- Abort function with message: `error('info')`
- Nested functions possible
- Comments in functions: `% Comment`

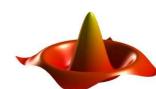


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MATLAB–functions II

- **Local variables** in function are deleted after function call
- **Static variables:** `persistent var`
Keep their value after function call
- **Global variables:** `global var`
Are to be defined as global in function **and** workspace
and are available to all functions declaring it global

Delete with: `clear global`



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MATLAB–functions III

- **Inline Functions:** $f = \text{inline} (\text{funktion}, \text{var})$
- **Pseudo-Code:** $\text{PCODE} (\text{funktion})$
- **Delete** all functions: clear functions
- **Function Handle:** $f_handle = @function$
Information: $\text{functions}(f_handle)$
Call with: $[y_1, \dots, y_m] = \text{feval} (f_handle, x_1, \dots, x_n)$

