Introduction to MATLAB

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Topics

MATLAB Interface and Basics

Linear Algebra and Calculus

Graphics

- Programming
- MATLAB Practice
- Math On the Web (optional)
 - MATLAB Web Server



Class Materials

- On laptops download from: http://web.mit.edu/acmath/matlab/IntroMATLAB
- On Athena copy from locker acmath

athena% add acmath

athena% cp

/mit/acmath/matlab/IntroMATLAB/Practice.tar .



Help in MATLAB

Command line help
 >> help command
 e.g. help guide
 s> lookfor keyword
 e.g. lookfor GUI

 Desktop menu
 O Help->Help MATLAB





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MATLAB Help Browser

- MATLAB
 - + Programming
 - + M-File Programming
 - + Programming Tips
 - + Creating Graphical User Interfaces
 - + Getting Started with GUIDE
 - + Creating a GUI
 - + Laying Out GUIs and Setting Properties
 - + Programming GUIs
 - + GUI Applications
 - + Working with Callbacks
 - + Functions Categorical List





MATLAB GUI Programming

Graphical User Interface Widgets and Callbacks GUIDE, FIG-Files and M-Files





Graphical User Interface

Widgets

- Text fields: static text, edit text
- Buttons: toggle, push, and radio buttons
- Popup menus
- Check boxes
- o Sliders
- o Axes
- o Panels

Callbacks

Functions called by widgets.





MATLAB Programs with GUI

FIG-File(s)

- Created with GUIDE
- GUI graphical layout (widgets)

M-Files

- Created in Editor/Debugger
- The code behind a GUI
- Function M-file to open the GUI
- Function M-files with callbacks
- Other function M-files



Built-In Functions

GUIDE Editor

>> guide
>> guide filename
Code behind a GUI

openfig figure findobj set

get

Strings and numbers

str2num

num2str





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GUIDE Editor: Layout Design

>> guide *GUIfilename*

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GUIDE: Property Inspector

- Double click on a widget to open the Property Inspector
- Set widget attributes
 - o Tag
 - String
 - Fonts (optional)
 - Colors (optional)
- Do NOT set Callback function here



GUI FIG-Files and M-Files

- In GUIDE, save the graphical layout to a FIG file
 - Note: you may ignore the generated M-file.
- In Editor/Debugger, create M-Files
 - One M-File for every GUI Window
 - One M-File for every Callback function that is executed when the user interacts with widgets
 - Note: different widgets may call the same callback function.



GUI M-Files

Functions:

- To open the GUI: openfig, figure
- To get access to widgets: findobj
- To set attributes to widgets: set
- To get attributes of widgets: get

• Widget attributes:

- Widgets work with STRINGS, not numbers
- o `String' and `Value'
- o `Tag*'*
- o `Callback'



-GUI M-Files: Example

```
function rocketprogram
% _____
fiq1 = openfig(`rocketGUI.fig', `reuse')
figure(fiq1)
% ____
R_units_txt = findobj( fig1, `Tag', `R_units_txt' );
units_popup = findobj( fig1, 'Tag', `units_popup' );
% ____.
set( R_units_txt, `String', `km' );
set( units_popup, `String', { 'Metric', 'English' } );
set( units popup, 'Value', 1);
set( units_popup, `Callback', computevelocity);
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```

GUI M-Files: Example (continued)

```
function computevelocity
```

```
♀ _____
units_popup = findobj( fig1, 'Tag', 'units_popup' );
H_input_txt = findobj( fig1, 'Tag', 'H_input_txt' );
% _____
units = get( units_popup, 'Value');
strH = get( H input text, `String');
numH = str2num( strH );
۶ _____
if units == 1
     V = orbitalvelocity( R, g0, numH, `m')
```



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Cleaning Up a Program

MATLAB Editor's debugging mode

- Click next to line numbers to set stops
- Run program in Command Window
- The program runs in Debug Mode
 K>> and stops at the set stops
- o Click Step icon to proceed line by line
- Hold the cursor over a variable to see its current value
- Click Run icon to complete program's run or Exit Debug Mode icon to stop debugging



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MATLAB Demos and Practice

MIT MATLAB Programs MATLAB File Exchange Questions & Answers





MIT MATLAB Demos

1.010 Uncertainty in Engineering

- Three programs for Monte Carlo simulations.
- CC Andreas Langousis and Daniele Veneziano

6.013 Electromagnetics

- Several demos with graphical user interface
- © 2004 Xiaowei He and Markus Zahn
- Download from:

http://web.mit.edu/acmath/matlab/IntroMATLAB

1_010_statistics (.tar, .zip)

6_013_electromagnetics (.tar, .zip)





MATLAB File Exchange

http://www.mathworks.com/support User Community File Exchange

... or go directly to ...

http://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/

- Various File Exchange Categories
- Download examples from: http://web.mit.edu/acmath/matlab/IntroMATLAB
 MATLAB_File_Exchange_Downloads (.tar, .zip) units.m, sun_position.m, sudoku.m



Additional Training (Free)

Online MATLAB tutorial https://web.mit.edu/tm/matlab_mastery_l/setup/Start.htm

IAP 2006 advanced MATLAB seminars

- Two sessions by Mathworks' instructors
 - Using MATLAB for Test and Measurement Applications
 - Advanced Programming Tips and Techniques for MATLAB 7
- Math On the Web seminar
 - Including the MATLAB Web Server
- Sponsored by Information Services & Technology
- o http://web.mit.edu/violeta/www/IAP2006

Additional Training (For Fee)

From The Mathworks Inc.

- Ongoing off campus
 - http://www.mathworks.com/services/training
 - 50% discount for MIT community
- By request on MIT campus
 - Call The Mathworks directly, or ...
 - Call MIT Academic Computing to organize training sessions with Mathworks' instructors.
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Educational Technology Help

- Free help for educational technology needs on math tools at MIT
 - If you teach or TA an undergraduate course that needs teaching materials in MATLAB, or ...
 - If students in your department are required to know MATLAB in order to do their theses' research ...
- Contact the Educational Technology Consultants at MIT Academic Computing
 - et-consult@mit.edu or directly:
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IT Resources at MIT

- MIT Information Services and Technology http://web.mit.edu/ist
- Educational Technology services at MIT (Academic Computing) http://web.mit.edu/ist/topics/educomp
- Ed Tech Times (online journal) http://edtech.mit.edu/times
- Teaching with Technology http://web.mit.edu/teachtech





MATLAB Practice Exercises

- Exercise One: rocketGUI.fig and rocketprogram.m
 - Graphical User Interface : creating widgets with the GUIDE Editor
 - Callbacks: writing code behind a GUI
 - Cleaning up code with the Editor/Debugger
- Demos
 - MIT MATLAB programs
 - MATLAB File Exchange
- Questions & Answers

