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vcar=v0car+acar*t;
```

Calculate the car's velocity.

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speed_trainRcar=sqrt(vcar.^2+v0train^2);
```

Calculate the speed of the train relative to the car.

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table=[t' y' x' d' vcar' speed_trainRcar']
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Create a table (see note below).

**Note:** In the commands above, `table` is the name of the variable that is a matrix containing the data to be displayed.

When the script file is executed, the following is displayed in the Command Window:

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table =
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    1.0000 -320.8000 -156.9333 357.1284 45.0667 91.1243
    2.0000 -241.6000 -109.8667 265.4077 49.0667 93.1675
    3.0000 -162.4000 -58.8000 172.7171 53.0667 95.3347
    4.0000 -83.2000 -3.7333 83.2837 57.0667 97.6178
    5.0000 -4.0000 55.3333 55.4777 61.0667 100.0089
    6.0000 75.2000 118.4000 140.2626 65.0667 102.5003
    7.0000 154.4000 185.4667 241.3239 69.0667 105.0849
    8.0000 233.6000 256.5333 346.9558 73.0667 107.7561
    9.0000 312.8000 331.6000 455.8535 77.0667 110.5075
   10.0000 392.0000 410.6667 567.7245 81.0667 113.3333
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Time  
(s)

Train  
position  
(ft)

Car  
position  
(ft)

Car-train  
distance  
(ft)

Car  
speed  
(ft/s)

Train speed  
relative to the  
car (ft/s)

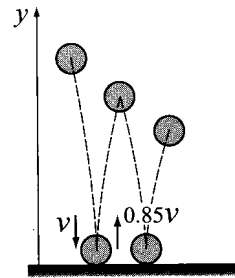
In this problem the results (numbers) are displayed by MATLAB without any text. Instructions on how to add text to output generated by MATLAB are presented in Chapter 4.

### 3.9 PROBLEMS

**Note:** Additional problems for practicing mathematical operations with arrays are provided at the end of Chapter 4.

- For the function  $y = x^3 - 2x^2 + x$ , calculate the value of  $y$  for the following values of  $x$  using element-by-element operations:  $-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ .
- For the function  $y = \frac{x^2 - 2}{x + 4}$ , calculate the value of  $y$  for the following values of  $x$  using element-by-element operations:  $-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3$ .

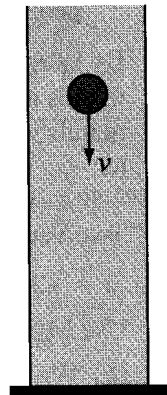
3. For the function  $y = \frac{(x-3)(x^2+3)}{x^2}$ , calculate the value of  $y$  for the following values of  $x$  using element-by-element operations: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.
4. For the function  $y = \frac{20t^{2/3}}{t+1} - \frac{(t+1)^2}{e^{(0.3t+5)}} + \frac{2}{t+1}$ , calculate the value of  $y$  for the following values of  $t$  using element-by-element operations: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.
5. A ball that is dropped on the floor bounces back up many times, reaching a lower height after each bounce. When the ball impacts the floor its rebound velocity is 0.85 times the impact velocity. The velocity  $v$  with which a ball hits the floor after being dropped from a height  $h$  is given by  $v = \sqrt{2gh}$ , where  $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ . The time between successive bounces is given by  $t = v/g$ , where  $v$  is the upward velocity after the last impact. Consider a ball that is dropped from a height of 2 m. Determine the times at which the ball hits the floor for the first eight bounces. Set  $t = 0$  when the ball hits the floor for the first time. (Calculate the velocity of the ball when it hits the floor for the first time. Derive a formula for the time of the following hits as a function of the bounce number. Then create a vector  $n = 1, 2, \dots, 8$  and use the formula (use element-by-element operations) to calculate a vector with the values of  $t$  for each  $n$ .) Display the results in a two-column table where the values of  $n$  and  $t$  are displayed in the first and second columns, respectively.



6. An aluminum sphere ( $r = 0.2 \text{ cm}$ ) is dropped in a glass cylinder filled with glycerin. The velocity of the sphere as a function of time  $v(t)$  can be modeled by the equation

$$v(t) = \sqrt{\frac{V(\rho_{al} - \rho_{gl})g}{k}} \tanh\left(\frac{\sqrt{V(\rho_{al} - \rho_{gl})gk}}{V\rho_{al}} t\right)$$

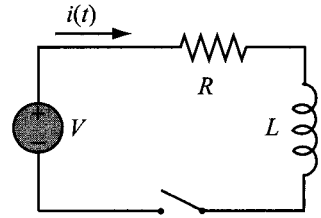
where  $V$  is the volume of the sphere,  $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$  is the gravitational acceleration,  $k = 0.0018$  is a constant, and  $\rho_{al} = 2700 \text{ kg/m}^3$  and  $\rho_{gl} = 1260 \text{ kg/m}^3$  are the density of aluminum and glycerin, respectively. Determine the velocity of the sphere for  $t = 0, 0.05, 0.1, 0.15, 0.2, 0.25, 0.3,$  and  $0.35 \text{ s}$ . Note that initially the velocity increases rapidly, but then, due to the resistance of the glycerin, the velocity increases more gradually. Eventually the velocity approaches a limit that is called the terminal velocity.



7. The current  $i$  (in amps)  $t$  seconds after closing the switch in the circuit shown is given by:

$$i(t) = \frac{V}{R}(1 - e^{-(R/L)t})$$

Consider the case where  $V = 120$  volts,  $R = 120$  ohms and  $L = 0.1$  henry.



- (a) Find the time  $t_m$  required for the current to reach 1% of its initial value, then use `linspace` to create a vector  $t$  having 10 elements with the first element 0 and maximum value  $t_m$ .
- (b) Calculate the current  $i$  for each value of  $t$  from part (a).

8. The length  $|\mathbf{u}|$  (magnitude) of a vector  $\mathbf{u} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$  is given by  $|\mathbf{u}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ . Given the vector  $\mathbf{u} = 23.5\mathbf{i} - 17\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$ , determine its length two ways:

- (a) Define the vector in MATLAB, and then write a mathematical expression that uses the components of the vector.
- (b) Define the vector in MATLAB, then use element-by-element operations to create a new vector with elements that are the squares of the elements of the original vector. Then use MATLAB built-in functions `sum` and `sqrt` to calculate the length. All of these steps can be written in one command.

9. The unit vector  $\mathbf{u}_n$  in the direction of the vector  $\mathbf{u} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$  is given by  $\mathbf{u}_n = \frac{x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$ . Determine the unit vector of the vector  $\mathbf{u} = -8\mathbf{i} - 14\mathbf{j} + 25\mathbf{k}$  by writing one MATLAB command.

10. The following two vectors are defined in MATLAB:

$$\mathbf{v} = [3, -2, 4] \quad \mathbf{u} = [5, 3, -1]$$

By hand (pencil and paper) write what will be displayed if the following commands are executed by MATLAB. Check your answers by executing the commands with MATLAB.

- (a) `v.*u`                      (b) `v*u'`                      (c) `v'*u`

11. Two vectors are given:

$$\mathbf{u} = -3\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = 6.5\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}$$

Use MATLAB to calculate the dot product  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$  of the vectors in three ways:

- (a) Write an expression using element-by-element calculation and the MATLAB built-in function `sum`.
- (b) Define  $\mathbf{u}$  as a row vector and  $\mathbf{v}$  as a column vector, and then use matrix multiplication.
- (c) Use the MATLAB built-in function `dot`.

12. Define the vector  $v = [2 \ 4 \ 6 \ 8 \ 10]$ . Then use the vector in a mathematical expression to create the following vectors:

$$(a) \ a = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \ \frac{1}{4} \ \frac{1}{6} \ \frac{1}{8} \ \frac{1}{10} \right] \quad (b) \ b = \left[ \frac{1}{2^2} \ \frac{1}{4^2} \ \frac{1}{6^2} \ \frac{1}{8^2} \ \frac{1}{10^2} \right]$$

$$(c) \ c = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5] \quad (d) \ d = [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$$

13. Define the vector  $v = [5 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 1]$ . Then use the vector in a mathematical expression to create the following vectors:

$$(a) \ a = [5^2 \ 4^2 \ 3^2 \ 2^2 \ 1^2] \quad (b) \ b = [5^5 \ 4^4 \ 3^3 \ 2^2 \ 1^1]$$

$$(c) \ c = [25 \ 20 \ 15 \ 10 \ 5] \quad (d) \ d = [4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 1 \ 0]$$

14. Define  $x$  and  $y$  as the vectors  $x = [1, 3, 5, 7, 9]$  and  $y = [2, 5, 8, 11, 14]$ . Then use them in the following expressions to calculate  $z$  using element-by-element calculations.

$$(a) \ z = \frac{xy^2}{x+y} \quad (b) \ z = x(x^2 - y) - (x - y)^2$$

15. Define  $p$  and  $w$  as scalars,  $p = 2.3$  and define  $w = 5.67$ , and,  $t$ ,  $x$ , and  $y$  as the vectors  $t = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]$ ,  $x = [2.8, 2.5, 2.2, 1.9, 1.6]$ , and  $y = [4, 7, 10, 13, 17]$ . Then use these variables to calculate the following expressions using element-by-element calculations for the vectors.

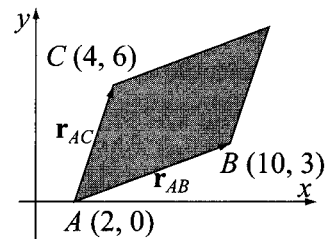
$$(a) \ T = \frac{p(x+y)^2}{y} w \quad (b) \ S = \frac{p(x+y)^2}{yw} + \frac{wxt}{py}$$

16. The area of the parallelogram shown can be calculated by  $|\mathbf{r}_{AB} \times \mathbf{r}_{AC}|$ . Use the following steps in a script file to calculate the area:

Define the position of points  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  as vectors  $A = [2, 0]$ ,  $B = [10, 3]$ , and  $C = [4, 6]$ .

Determine the vectors  $\mathbf{r}_{AB}$  and  $\mathbf{r}_{AC}$  from the points.

Determine the area by using MATLAB's built-in functions `cross`, `sum`, and `sqrt`.



17. Define the vectors:

$$\mathbf{u} = -2\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}, \quad \mathbf{v} = 5\mathbf{i} - 1\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{w} = 4\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$$

Use the vectors to verify the identity:

$$\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}) - \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})$$

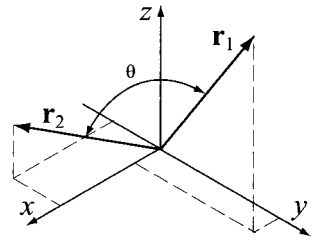
Using MATLAB's built-in functions `cross` and `abs`, calculate the value of the left and right sides of the identity.

18. The dot product can be used for determining the angle between two vectors:

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r}_2}{|\mathbf{r}_1||\mathbf{r}_2|}\right)$$

Use MATLAB's built-in functions `cosd`, `sqrt`, and `dot` to find the angle (in degrees) between  $\mathbf{r}_1 = 3\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}$ .

Recall that  $|\mathbf{r}| = \sqrt{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$ .



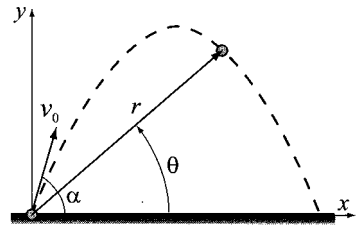
19. The position as a function of time ( $x(t), y(t)$ ) of a projectile fired with a speed of  $v_0$  at an angle  $\alpha$  is given by

$$x(t) = v_0 \cos \alpha \cdot t \quad y(t) = v_0 \sin \alpha \cdot t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

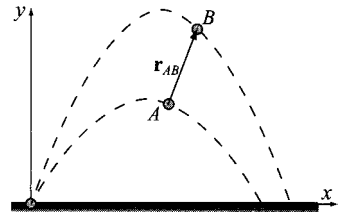
where  $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ . The polar coordinates of the projectile at time  $t$  are  $(r(t), \theta(t))$ , where

$$r(t) = \sqrt{x(t)^2 + y(t)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{y(t)}{x(t)}$$

Consider the case where  $v_0 = 162 \text{ m/s}$  and  $\theta = 70^\circ$ . Determine  $r(t)$  and  $\theta(t)$  for  $t = 1, 6, 11, \dots, 31 \text{ s}$ .



20. Two projectiles,  $A$  and  $B$ , are shot at the same instant from the same spot. Projectile  $A$  is shot at a speed of  $560 \text{ m/s}$  at an angle of  $43^\circ$  and projectile  $B$  is shot at a speed of  $680 \text{ m/s}$  at an angle of  $50^\circ$ . Determine which projectile will hit the ground first. Then take the flying time  $t_f$  of that projectile and divide it into ten increments by creating a vector  $t$  with 11 equally spaced elements (the first element is 0, the last is  $t_f$ ). At each time  $t$  calculate the position vector  $\mathbf{r}_{AB}$  between the two projectiles. Display the results in a three-column matrix where the first column is  $t$  and the second and third columns are the corresponding  $x$  and  $y$  components of  $\mathbf{r}_{AB}$ .



21. Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$ .

Do this by first creating a vector  $x$  that has the elements 1.5, 1.0, 0.5, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001, and 0.00001. Then, create a new vector  $y$  in which each element is determined from the elements of  $x$  by  $\frac{\sin x}{x}$ . Compare the elements of  $y$  with the value 1 (use format long to display the numbers).

22. Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x - 1} = 2$ .

Do this by first creating a vector  $x$  that has the elements: 5, 3, 2, 1.5, 1.1, 1.001, and 1.00001. Then, create a new vector  $y$  in which each element is determined from the elements of  $x$  by  $\frac{x^2 - 1}{x - 1}$ . Compare the elements of  $y$  with the value 2 (use format long to display the numbers).

23. Use MATLAB to show that the sum of the infinite series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots \text{ converges to 1. Do it by computing the sum for:}$$

(a)  $n = 10$

(b)  $n = 20$

(c)  $n = 30$

(d)  $n = 40$

For each part create a vector  $n$  in which the first element is 1, the increment is 1, and the last term is 10, 20, 30, or 40. Then use element-by-element calculations to create a vector in which the elements are  $\frac{1}{2^n}$ . Finally, use the MATLAB built-in function `sum` to add the terms of the series. Compare the values obtained in parts (a), (b), (c), and (d) with the value of 1. (Don't forget to type semicolons at the end of commands that otherwise will display large vectors.)

24. Use MATLAB to show that the sum of the infinite series  $\sqrt{12} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{-n}}{2n+1}$  is

equal to  $\pi$ . Do this by computing the sum for:

(a)  $n = 10$

(b)  $n = 20$

(c)  $n = 50$

For each part create a vector  $n$  in which the first element is 0, the increment is 1 and the last term is 10, 50, or 100. Then, use element-by-element calculation to create a vector in which the elements are  $\frac{(-3)^{-n}}{2n+1}$ . Finally, use the function `sum` to add the terms of the series and multiply the result by  $\sqrt{12}$ . Compare the values obtained in parts (a), (b), and (c) to the value of  $\pi$  in MATLAB.

25. Fisheries commonly estimate the growth of a fish population using the von Bertalanffy growth law:

$$L = L_{max}(1 - e^{-K(t+\tau)})$$

where  $L_{max}$  is the maximum length,  $K$  is a rate constant, and  $\tau$  is a time constant. These constants vary with the species of fish. Assuming  $L_{max} = 58$  cm,  $K = 0.45$  years<sup>-1</sup>, and  $\tau = 0.65$  years, calculate the length of a fish at 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 years of age.



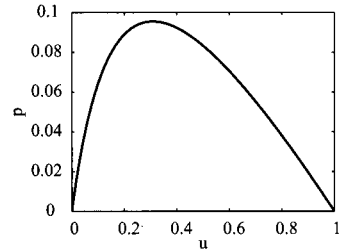
30. The mechanical power output  $P$  in a contracting muscle is given by

$$P = Tv = \frac{kvT_0\left(1 - \frac{v}{v_{max}}\right)}{k + \frac{v}{v_{max}}}$$

where  $T$  is the muscle tension,  $v$  is the shortening velocity (max of  $v_{max}$ ),  $T_0$  is the isometric tension (i.e., tension at zero velocity), and  $k$  is a non-dimensional constant that ranges between 0.15 and 0.25 for most muscles. The equation can be written in non-dimensional form:

$$p = \frac{ku(1-u)}{k+u}$$

where  $p = (Tv)/(T_0v_{max})$ , and  $u = v/v_{max}$ . A figure with  $k = 0.25$  is shown here.



- (a) Create a vector  $u$  ranging from 0 to 1 with increments of 0.05.
- (b) Using  $k = 0.25$ , calculate the value of  $p$  for each value of  $u$ .
- (c) Using MATLAB built-in function `max`, find the maximum value of  $p$ .
- (d) Repeat the first three steps with increments of 0.01 and calculate the

$$\text{percent relative error, defined by } E = \left| \frac{P_{max_{0.01}} - P_{max_{0.05}}}{P_{max_{0.05}}} \right| \times 100.$$

31. Solve the following system of three linear equations:

$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 2y + 5z &= 7.5 \\ -4.5 + 2y + 3z &= 5.5 \\ 5x + y - 2.5z &= 4.5 \end{aligned}$$

32. Solve the following system of five linear equations:

$$\begin{aligned} 3u + 1.5v + w + 0.5x + 4y &= -11.75 \\ -2u + v + 4w - 3.5x + 2y &= 19 \\ 6u - 3v + 2w + 2.5x + y &= -23 \\ u + 4v - 3w + 0.5x - 2y &= -1.5 \\ 3u + 2v - w + 1.5x - 3y &= -3.5 \end{aligned}$$

33. A juice company manufactures one-gallon bottles of three types of juice blends using orange, pineapple, and mango juice. The blends have the following compositions:

1 gallon orange blend: 3 quarts of orange juice, 0.75 quart of pineapple juice, 0.25 quart of mango juice.

1 gallon pineapple blend: 1 quart of orange juice, 2.5 quarts of pineapple juice, 0.5 quart of mango juice.



1 gallon mango blend: 0.5 quart of orange juice, 0.5 quart of pineapple juice, 3 quarts of mango juice.

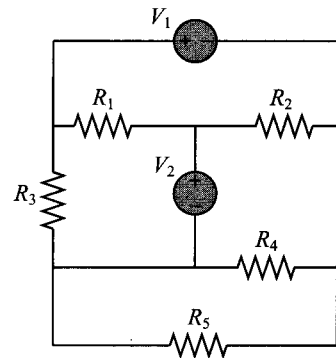
How many gallons of each blend can be manufactured if 7,600 gallons of orange juice, 4,900 gallons of pineapple juice, and 3,500 gallons mango juice are available? Write a system of linear equations and solve.

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