## Some MATLAB Built-in Functions

| Function | Description |
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| sqrt(x) | Square root of x |
| nthroot ( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{n}$ ) | nth root of x |
| $\operatorname{abs}(x)$ | Absolute value of x |
| $\exp (x)$ | Exponential ( ${ }^{\mathrm{x}}$ ) |
| $\log (x)$ | Natural logarithm (Base e logarithm) of $x$ |
| log10(x) | Base 10 logarithm of $x$ |
| factorial(x) | The factorial of x |
| $\operatorname{rem}(x, y)$ | The remainder after x is divided by y |
| $\max (\mathrm{A})$ | If A is a vector, returns the largest value in A . If $A$ is a matrix, returns a vector in which each element is the largest number in the corresponding column of A . |
| $\min (\mathrm{A})$ | If A is a vector, returns the smallest value in A . <br> If $A$ is a matrix, returns a vector in which each element is the smallest number in the corresponding column of A . |
| sum( $A$ ) | If A is a vector, returns the sum of the elements in A . If $A$ is a matrix, returns a vector in which each element is the sum of the values in the corresponding column of A . |
| mean(A) | If A is a vector, returns the mean value of the elements in A . If $A$ is a matrix, returns a vector in which each element is the average of the values in the corresponding column of A . |
| median(A) | If A is a vector, returns the median value of elements in A . If $A$ is a matrix, returns a vector in which each element is the median value of the corresponding column of A. |
| corrcoef( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}$ ) | Returns a $2 \times 2$ matrix where the values at positions $(1,2)$ and $(2,1)$ are the Pearson's correlation coefficient between two vectors x and y . |
| Corrcoef(X) | where X is a matrix containing k columns. It returns a $\mathrm{k} \times \mathrm{k}$ matrix where values at positions ( $\mathrm{i}, \mathrm{j}$ ) and ( $\mathrm{j}, \mathrm{i}$ ) are the Pearson's correlation coefficient between ith and jth columns of X . |
| sort(A) | If A is a vector, output the elements in A in value ascending order. If A is a matrix, sort each column of A in value ascending order. |
| sort(A, 'descend') | If A is a vector, output the elements in A in value descending order. If A is a matrix, sort each column of A in value descending order. |
| sortrows(A,col) | Sort the whole rows in matrix A according to the values in the column indicated by col in value-ascending order (or in value-descending order if -col is used). |
| length(A) | If A is a vector, returns the number of elements in A . If $A$ is a matrix, returns the larger of its number of rows and columns. |
| size(A) | Returns a row vector [m,n], where $m$ is the number of rows in $A$ and $n$ is the number of columns in $A$. |
| sin(x) | Sine of angle x (x in radians) |


| sind(x) | Sine of angle x ( x in degrees) |
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| $\cos (x)$ | Cosine of an angle $x$ ( x in radians) |
| $\operatorname{cosd}(x)$ | Cosine of an angle x ( x in degrees) |
| $\tan (x)$ | Tangent of angle $x$ ( $x$ in radians) |
| tand ( x ) | Tangent of angle x ( x in degrees) |
| round( $x$ ) | Round $x$ to the nearest integer |
| ceil(x) | Round x towards infinity. (Round x to the nearest integer greater than or equal to x) |
| floor (x) | Round x towards negative infinity. <br> (Round $x$ to the nearest integer less than or equal to $x$ ) |
| $\operatorname{zeros}(\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{n})$ | Create a m $\times$ n matrix of zeros |
| ones(m, n ) | Create a m $\times$ n matrix of ones |
| eye(m) | Create a $\mathrm{m} \times \mathrm{m}$ square matrix in which the main diagonal elements are equal to 1 and the rest are 0 . |
| rand | Generates a single uniformly distributed random number between 0 and 1 |
| rand (1, n ) | Generates a row vector of n uniformly distributed random numbers between 0 and 1. |
| rand (m, n ) | Generates an $m \times n$ matrix of uniformly distributed random numbers between 0 and 1 |
| rand( n ) | Generates a $\mathrm{n} \times \mathrm{n}$ matrix of random numbers between 0 and 1 |
| $\operatorname{randn}(1, n)$ | Generates a row vector of n normally distributed random numbers with mean 0 and standard deviation of 1 . |
| randn (m, n ) | Generates a $m \times n$ matrix of normally distributed random numbers with mean 0 and standard deviation of 1 |
| randn( n ) | Generates a $\mathrm{n} \times \mathrm{n}$ matrix of normally distributed random numbers with mean 0 and standard deviation of 1 |
| randperm(n) | Generates a row vector with n elements that are random permutation of integers 1 through n |
| ```plot(x,y,'line specifiers')``` | Plot y against x . <br> $x$ is a vector of horizontal coordinates of the data points <br> $y$ is a vector of vertical coordinates of the data points. <br> Line specifiers are listed in the two tables on the next page. |
| ```fplot('function', limits,'line specifiers')``` | Plot the curve of the function specified by 'function'. <br> function is the function to be plotted. <br> limits is the range of $x$. <br> line specifiers specify the type and color of the line and markers, listed in the two tables on the next page. |
| polyfit (x,y,n) | Fit a polynomial function into data points. <br> $X$ is a vector of horizontal coordinates of the data points |


|  | y is a vector of vertical coordinates of the data points. <br> n is the order (or degree) of polynomial <br> The function returns a vector of the coefficients of the polynomial that fits the data. <br> Its size is $n+1$ |
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| polyval $(p, x)$ | Calculates the value of a polynomial function at one or more points given the <br> coefficients of the polynomial. <br> p is a vector containing the coefficients of the polynomial. <br> x a a scalar, a vector or a matrix of values <br> The function returns the value(s) of the polynomial function with coefficients in $p$ <br> for the corresponding values in $x$. |

Line color specifiers and marker type specifiers used in the plot command

| Line Color | Specifier | Marker Type | Specifier |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Red | r | plus sign | + |
| Green | g | circle | $\mathbf{o}$ |
| Blue | b | asterisk | $*$ |
| Cyan | c | point | $\cdot$ |
| Magenta | m | cross | $\mathbf{x}$ |
| Yellow | y | square | $\mathbf{s}$ |
| Black | k | diamond | $\mathbf{d}$ |
| White | w | five-pointed star | $\mathbf{p}$ |

## Line style specifiers

| Line Style | Specifier |
| :--- | :--- |
| solid (default) | - |
| dashed | -- |
| dotted | : |
| dash-dot | .- |

