

# Julia & IJulia Cheat-sheet (for 18.xxx at MIT, Julia 1.x)

## Basics:

julia-lang.org — documentation; juliabox.com — run Julia online  
github.com/mitmath/julia-mit installation & tutorial  
using IJulia; IJulia.notebook() start IJulia browser  
shift-return execute input cell in IJulia  
using LinearAlgebra load functions for blue-highlighted code below

## Defining/changing variables:

x = 3 define variable x to be 3  
x = [1,2,3] array/"column"-vector (1,2,3)  
y = [1 2 3] 1×3 matrix (1,2,3)  
A = [1 2 3 4; 5 6 7 8; 9 10 11 12] set A to 3×4 matrix  
x[2] = 7 change x from (1,2,3) to (1,7,3)  
A[2,1] = 0 change A<sub>2,1</sub> from 5 to 0  
u, v = (15.03, 1.2e-27) set u=15.03, v=1.2×10<sup>-27</sup>  
f(x) = 3x define a function f(x)  
x -> 3x an "anonymous" function  
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## Constructing a few simple matrices:

rand(12), rand(12,4) random length-12 vector or 12×4 matrix  
with uniform random numbers in [0,1)  
randn(12) Gaussian random numbers (mean 0, std. dev. 1)  
Matrix(I,3,3) 5×5 identity matrix I  
range(1.2,4.7,length=100) 100 equally spaced points from 1.2 to 4.7  
Diagonal(x) matrix whose diagonal is the entries of x

## Portions of matrices and vectors:

x[2:12] the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> elements of x  
x[2:end] the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the last elements of x  
A[5,1:3] row vector of 1<sup>st</sup> 3 elements in 5<sup>th</sup> row of A  
A[5,:] row vector of 5<sup>th</sup> row of A  
diag(A) vector of diagonals of A

## Arithmetic and functions of numbers:

3\*4, 7+4, 2-6, 8/3 mult., add, sub., divide numbers  
3^7, 3^(8+2im) compute 3<sup>7</sup> or 3<sup>8+2i</sup> power  
sqrt(-5+0im)  $\sqrt{-5}$  as a complex number  
exp(12) e<sup>12</sup>  
log(3), log10(100) natural log (ln), base-10 log (log<sub>10</sub>)  
abs(-5), abs(2+3im) absolute value |-5| or |2+3i|  
sin(5pi/3) compute sin(5π/3)

## Arithmetic and functions of vectors and matrices:

x \* 3, x .+ 3 multiply/add 3 to every element of x  
x + y element-wise addition of two vectors x and y  
A\*y, A\*B product of matrix A and vector y or matrix B  
x \* y not defined for two vectors!  
x .\* y element-wise product of vectors x and y  
x .^ 3 every element of x is cubed  
cos.(x), cos.(A) cosine of every element of x or A  
exp.(A), exp(A) exponential of each element, matrix exponential  
x', A' conjugate-transpose of vector or matrix  
x'y, dot(x,y), sum(conj(x).\*y) three ways to compute x · y  
A \ b, inv(A) return solution to Ax=b, or the matrix A<sup>-1</sup>  
eigvals(A), eigvecs(A) eigenvalues and eigenvectors (columns)

## Plotting (type using PyPlot first)

plot(y), plot(x,y) plot y vs. 0,1,2,3,... or versus x  
loglog(x,y), semilogx(x,y), semilogy(x,y) log-scale plots  
title("A title"), xlabel("x-axis"), ylabel("foo") set labels  
legend(["curve 1", "curve 2"], "northwest") legend at upper-left  
grid(), axis("equal") add grid lines, use equal x and y scaling  
title(L"the curve  $e^{\sqrt{x}}$ ") title with LaTeX equation  
savefig("fig.png"), savefig("fig.pdf") save PNG or PDF image

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