

# Introduction to Scilab

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(The sequence of spoken tutorials to be listened/followed is same as that of exercise sets below.)

## Matrix Operations

Solve the following examples on the Scilab Console as soon as the relevant topic is explained in the tutorial.

1. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

Find  $A(:, :)$

Extract the second column of  $A$

- Determine the determinant and eigenvalues of the matrix,  $A^2 + 2 * A$ .
- Define a 3x3 matrix  $A$  with all elements equal to 1. Multiply 1st and 2nd row with scalars, 3 and 4 respectively, and determine the determinant of the resultant matrix.
- Represent the following linear system as a matrix equation. Solve the system using the inverse method:

$$x + y + 2z - w = 3$$

$$2x + 5y - z - 9w = -3$$

$$2x + y - z + 3w = -11$$

$$x - 3y + 2z + 7w = -5$$

- Try solving the above system using the backslash method.
- Verify the solution from the previous question.

7. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

Use a suitable sequence of row operations on  $A$  to bring  $A$  to upper triangular form.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>Upper triangular matrix: all elements below the North-West to South-East diagonal of the matrix are zero.