Programming language of MATLAB

Introduction

- Like other computer programming languages, MATLAB has its own decision making structures for control of command execution.
- These decision making structures (often called *control flow* structures*)* include the following constructions :
  - for loops,
  - while loops,
  - if-else-end statements
  - Switch – case statements
- Control flow structures are often used in script M-files and function M-files.

if /else/ elseif

IF (MATLAB syntax)

```
if cond
        commands
end
```

Conditional statement:
evaluates to true or false

IF /ELSE (MATLAB syntax)

```
if cond
    commands1
else
    commands2
end
```

ELSEIF (MATLAB syntax)

```
if cond1
        commands1
elseif cond2
        commands2
else
        commands3
end
```

- No need for parentheses: command blocks are between reserved words
- elseif has no space between else and if (one word)
- no semicolon (;) is needed at the end of lines containing if, else, end
- indentation of if blocks is not required, but facilitate the reading.
- the end statement is required

if /else/ elseif (Example)

```
IF
discr = b*b - 4*a*c;
if discr < 0
        disp('Warning: discriminant is negative, roots are imaginary');
end
```

```
IF /ELSE
discr = b*b - 4*a*c;
if discr < 0
    disp('Warning: discriminant is negative, roots are imaginary');
else
    disp('Roots are real, but may be repeated')
end
```

if /else/ elseif (Example)

ELSEIF

```
discr = b*b - 4*a*c;
if discr < 0
        disp('Warning: discriminant is negative, roots are  imaginary');
elseif discr == 0
        disp('Discriminant is zero, roots are repeated')
else
        disp('Roots are real')
end
```

Switch-case statement

```
%variable on workspace
switch variable
        case value1
             commands
        case value2
             commands
        case value3
             commands3
        otherwise %optional
             commands4
end
```

- The switch statement executes groups of statements based on the value of a variable or expression.
- The keywords case and otherwise delineate the groups.
- Only the first matching case is executed:

  Unlike the C language switch statement, MATLAB switch does not fall through. If the first case statement is true, the other case statements do not execute. So, break statements are not required

- The otherwise block is optional and is executed if none of the case values match the value of variable.
- There must always be an end to match the switch.

Switch-case statement (example)

use switch statement to determine the number of days in a given month.

```
month =input("which month?")
switch month
        case {1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12}
            disp("31 days");
        case {4, 6, 9, 11}
            disp("30 days");
        case 2
            disp("28 or 29 days");
        otherwise
            disp("Invalid month");
 end
```

For loops

```
FOR (MATLAB syntax)

for var= initial  :  increment  :   final
          commands
end
```

1. The loop variable
   - ➢ Is defined as a vector var
   - ➢ Is a scalar within the command block

2. The command block
   - ➢ as needed commands and comments between the **for** line and the **end**

note: ndent the loops for readability, especially when they are nested.

For loops (examples)

- Example 1:

```
for ii=1:5
        x=ii*ii          % same as (1:5).^2
end
```

- Example 2:

```
n = 5;
for j=2:n
        for i=1:j-1
            A(i,j)=i/j;
            A(j,i)=i/j;
        end
end
```

A=

0	0.50	0.33	0.25	0.20
0.50	0	0.67	0.50	0.40
0.33	0.67	0	0.75	0.60
0.25	0.50	0.75	0	0.80
0.20	0.40	0.60	0.80	0

Isequal(A,A')

ans= 1

While loops

```
while (MATLAB syntax)
while cond
commands
end
```

- The command block will execute while the conditional expression is true
  - You can use **break** to exit a loop

Preallocation

Consider this block which creates a vector a , of 100 elements, element by element.

```
» for n=1:100
»     res = % Very complex calculation %
»     a(n) = res;
» end
```

```
» a = zeros(1, 100);
» for n=1:100
»     res = % Very complex calculation %
»     a(n) = res;
» end
```

- Variable **a** is only assigned new values. No new memory is allocated

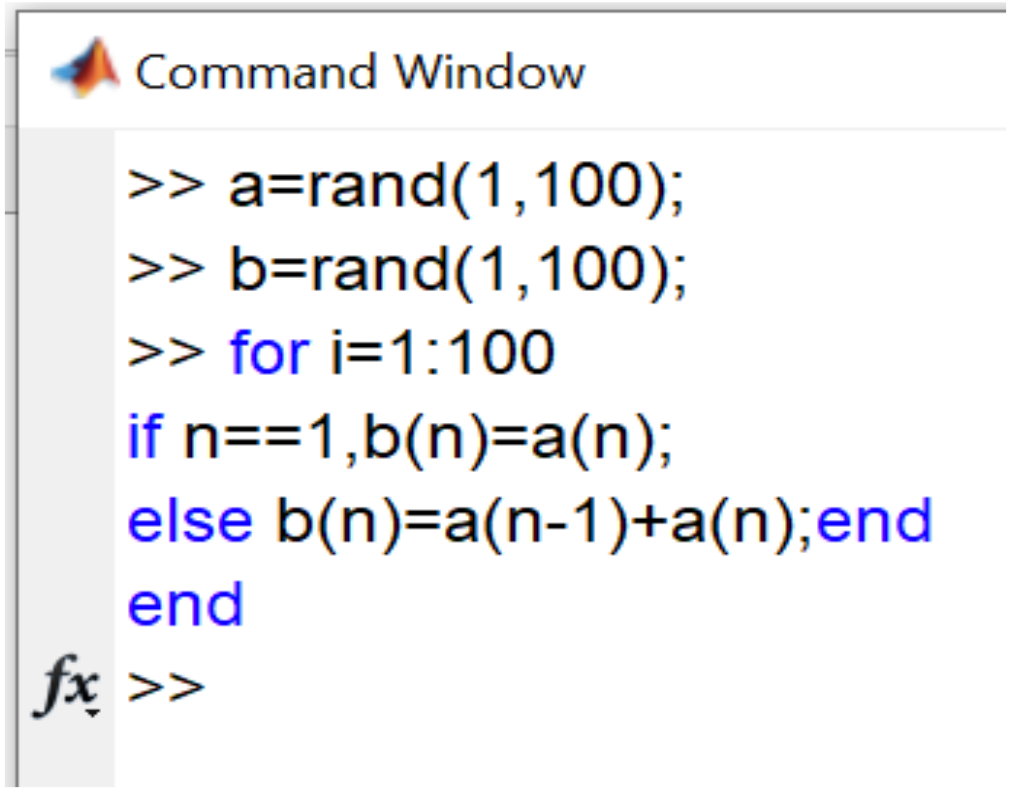
Vectorization

- Vectorized code is more efficient for MATLAB (LAB session N°1)
- Use indexing and matrix operations to avoid loops
- example: to add every two consecutive termsof a vector:

```
» a=rand(1,100);
» b=zeros(1,100);
» for n=1:100
»     if n==1
»         b(n)=a(n);
»     else
»         b(n)=a(n-1)+a(n);
»     end
» end
```

```
» a=rand(1,100);
» b=[0 a(1:end-1)]+a;
```

Programs in interactive mode



Programs using MATLAB Editor

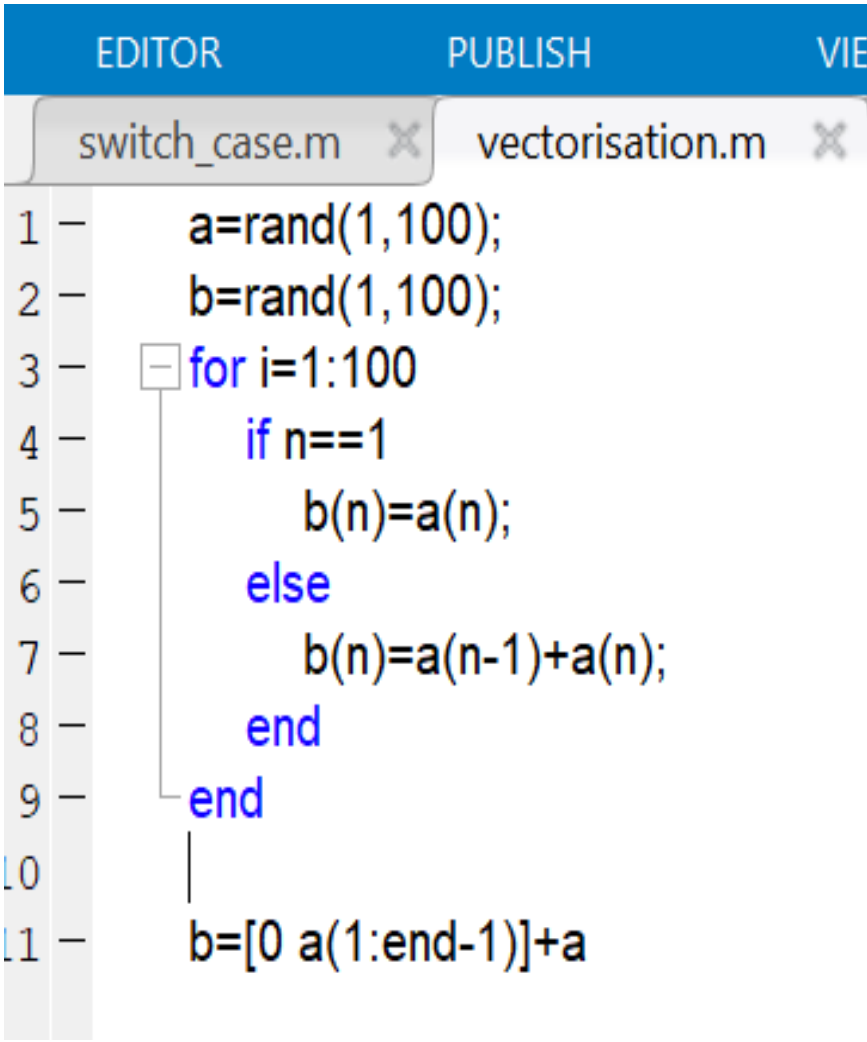
Use the MATLAB *editor* to create a file;

File → New → M-file.

Enter the statements ,

Save the file, for example, vectorization.m

M-file script →



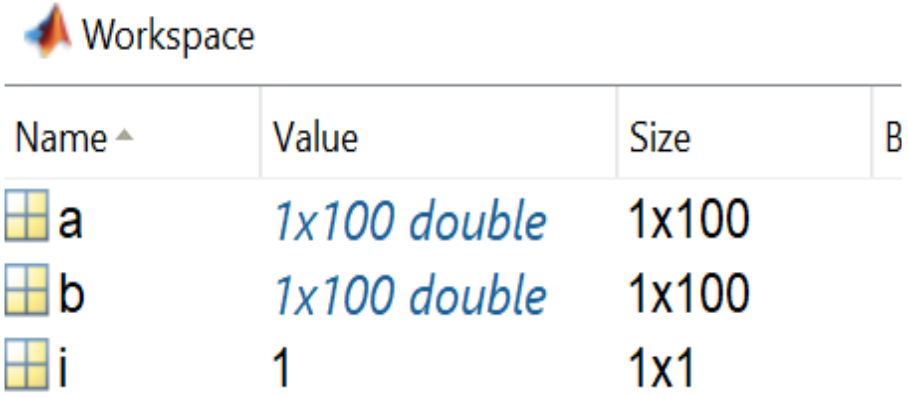
M-Files Scripts

- A *script file* is file that contains a sequence of MATLAB statements.
- Script files have a filename extension .m and are often called m-files.
- Run script files using:
  - Filename on Command Window

    >>vectorisation
  - Run icon on the editor tool bar

- After m-file runing,

(a, b, and i) variables appear on the workspace.



M-Files Scripts

All variables created in a script file are added to the workspace. This may have undesirable effects, because:

- Variables already existing in the workspace may be overwritten.
- The execution of the script can be affected by the state variables in the workspace.

As a result, because scripts have some undesirable side-effects, it is better to code applications (specially complicated ones) using rather function M-file.

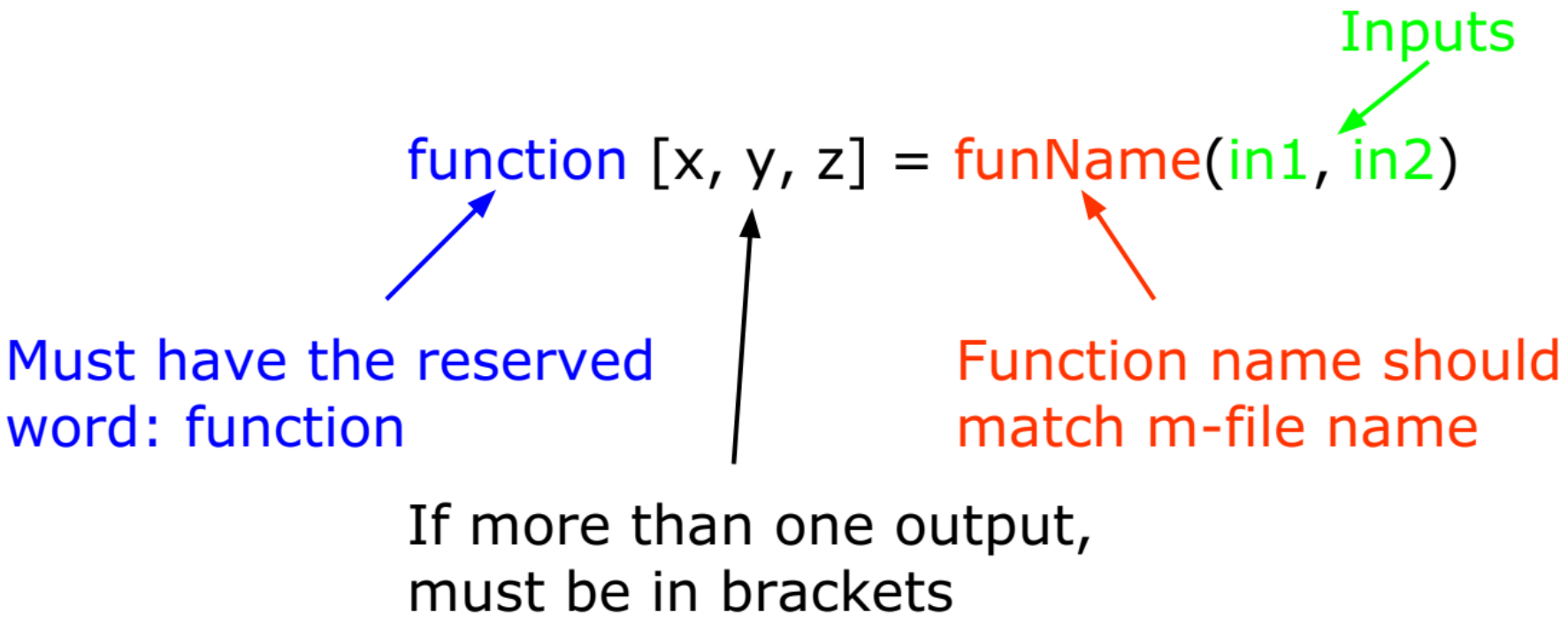
User-defined functions

- Functions look exactly like scripts, but for one difference
  ➢ Functions must have a function declaration

switch_case.m | vectorisation.m

```
1   function[b]=vectorization(a,b)
2   %a stdied sample
3   %needs two input arguments
4   % of the same length
5   %return a vector
6   for i=1:length(a)
7       if n==1
8           b(n)=a(n);
9       else
10          b(n)=a(n-1)+a(n);
11      end
12  end
13
14  b=[0 a(1:end-1)]+a
15  end
16
```

User-defined functions



User-defined functions

- No need for return
- Variable scope: “local variables”
- Invoking functios using their filename (script or command window)

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2   %a stdied sample
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4   % of the same length
5   %return a vector
6   for i=1:length(a)
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8           b(n)=a(n);
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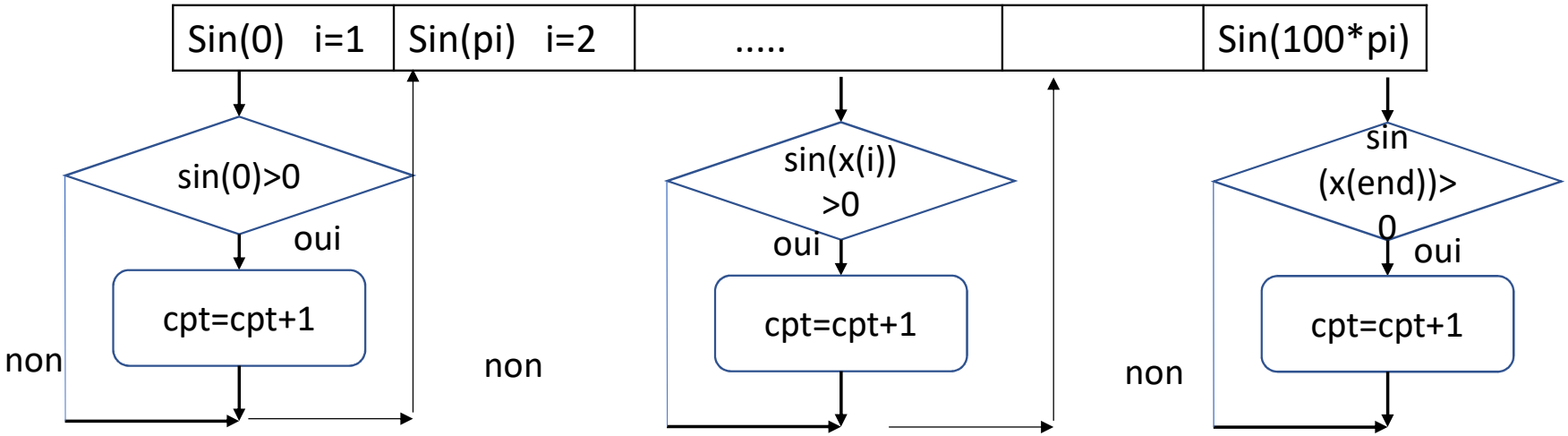
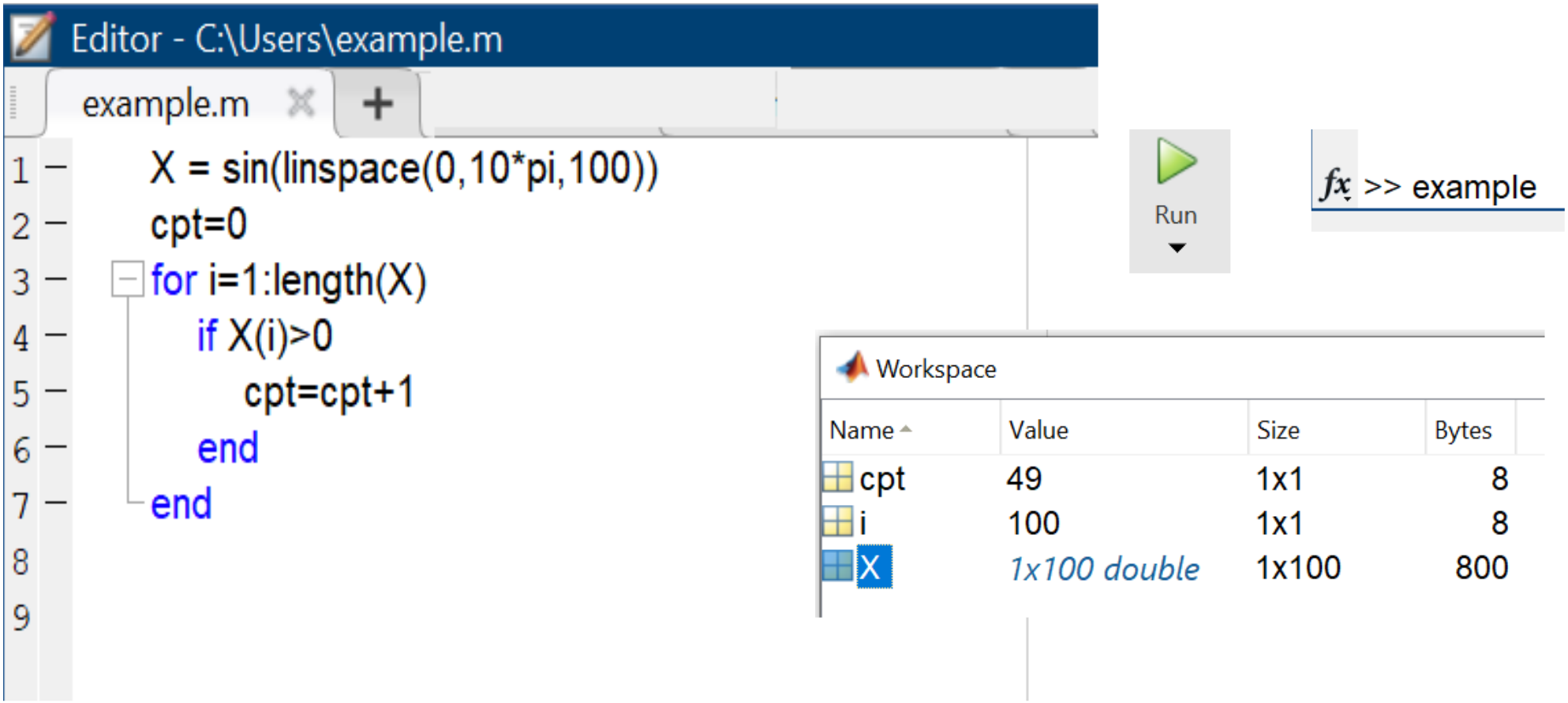
Example

- Given X = sin(linspace(0,10*pi,100))
- How many positive entries are their in X.
- X=



Example


Editor - C:\Users\example.m
example.m
1 X = sin(linspace(0,10*pi,100))
2 cpt=0
3 for i=1:length(X)
4 if X(i)>0
5 cpt=cpt+1
6 end
7 end
8
9
Run
fx >> example
Workspace
Name
Value
Size
Bytes
cpt
49
1x1
8
i
100
1x1
8
X
1x100 double
1x100
800

Example

Editor - C:\Users\example_funct.m*

example_funct.m*

```
1   function[cpt]=example(s)
2   cpt=0
3   for i=1:length(s)
4       if s(i)>0
5           cpt=cpt+1
6       end
7   end
8
```

```
>> X = sin(linspace(0,10*pi,100));
>> nbr= example_funct(X)
```

Workspace

Name	Value	Size	Bytes
nbr	49	1x1	8
X	*1x100 double*	1x100	800

Overloading

- MATLAB functions are generally overloaded :
  - ➢ Can take a variable number of inputs
  - ➢ Can return a variable number of outputs

```
>> A=randi([1 10],3,4);
>> a=randi(5,2),
>>aa=randi([-1 3])
>> B=size(A);  %vector
>> [n,m]=size(A); %2 scalars
>> size(A,1);
```

Overloading

- Users can overload their own functions by having variable number of input and output arguments

  (using : Nargin, nargout, varargin, varargout, inputname , ….)

Example :

function myplot(x,varargin)

function [s,varargout] = mysize(x)

Overloading

>>example_n_arg(A,2)
>>example_n_arg(A,1)
>>example_n_arg(A)
>>example_n_arg()

```
function[cpt] = example_n_arg(s,n)
cpt=0
if nargin ==1
    for i=1:numel(s)
        if s(i)>0
            cpt=cpt+1
        end
    end
elseif nargin == 2
    cpt=[]
    if n==1
        for j =1:size(s,2)
            count=0
            for i=1:size(s,1)
                if s(i,j)>0
                    count=count+1
                end
            end
            cpt(end+1)=count
        end
    elseif n==2
        for i=1:size(s,1)
            count=0
            for j=1:size(s,2)
                if s(i,j)>0
                    count=count+1
                end
            end
            cpt(end+1)=count
        end
        cpt=cpt'
    else ('error, second argument value must equals either =1 or 2')
    end
end
end
```

Overloading

```
>>example_n_arg(A)
>>example_n_arg(A,2)
>>example_n_arg(A,1)
>>example_n_arg()
```

```
function[cpt] = example_n_arg(s,n)
    cpt=0
    if nargin ==1
        for i=1:numel(s)
            if s(i)>0
                cpt=cpt+1
            end
        end

        Nargin=2, 3, 0,....

    end
end
```

```
elseif nargin == 2
    cpt=[]
    if n==1
        for j =1:size(s,2)
            count=0
            for i=1:size(s,1)
                if s(i,j)>0
                    count=count+1
                end
            end
            cpt(end+1)=count
        end

        n=2, 3, 0,....

    end
```

```
elseif n==2
    for i=1:size(s,1)
        count=0
        for j=1:size(s,2)
            if s(i,j)>0
                count=count+1
            end
        end
        cpt(end+1)=count
    end
    cpt=cpt'
else ('error, second argument value must equals either =1 or 2')
```

Debbuging

Debugging is the process of identifying and fixing errors, or "bugs," in computer programs. A debugger is a software tool that helps programmers debug their code by allowing them to inspect variables, control program execution, and analyze the flow of their program. Debuggers are essential for efficiently locating and resolving issues in code.

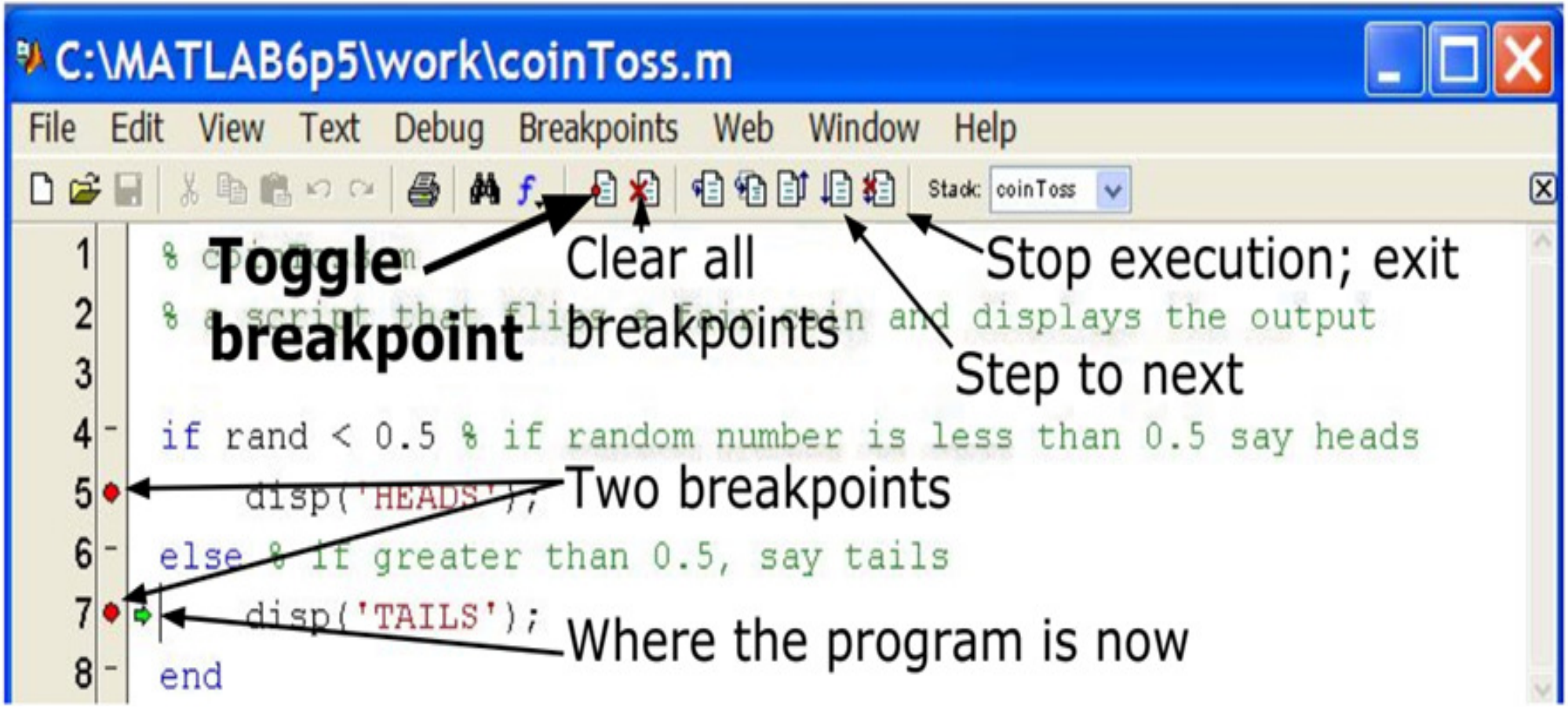
Debbuging

The MATLAB editor is both a text editor specialized for creating M-files and a graphical MATLAB debugger

To use the debugger, set breakpoints

- ➢ Click on – next to line numbers in m-files
- ➢ Each red dot that appears is a breakpoint
- ➢ Run the program
- ➢ The program pauses when it reaches a breakpoint
- ➢ Use the command window to probe variables
- ➢ Use the debugging buttons to control debugger

Debbuging


C:\MATLAB6p5\work\coinToss.m
File Edit View Text Debug Breakpoints Web Window Help
Stack: coinToss
Toggle breakpoint
Clear all breakpoints
Stop execution; exit
Step to next
Two breakpoints
Where the program is now
% a script that flips a fair coin and displays the output
if rand < 0.5 % if random number is less than 0.5 say heads
disp('HEADS');
else % if greater than 0.5, say tails
disp('TAILS');
end