

Calculus with MATLAB

MATLAB provides tools for symbolic and numerical calculus. You can compute derivatives, integrals, limits, and solve differential equations symbolically using the Symbolic Math Toolbox¹. For numerical calculus, MATLAB offers functions like `diff`, `integrate`, and `ode45` for solving ordinary differential equations.

1. Symbolic Calculation

- Symbolic Math Toolbox allows you to work with symbolic expressions, perform algebraic manipulations, and solve equations symbolically.
- Use functions like `sym`, `solve`, and `simplify` to manipulate symbolic expressions.

2. Numerical Calculation

- MATLAB excels at numerical computations. You can perform matrix operations, solve linear systems, and optimize functions using built-in functions.
- Explore functions like `sum`, `mean`, `eig`, and `fminunc` for numerical calculations.

3. Matrix Calculation

- MATLAB is renowned for its matrix capabilities. You can multiply matrices, compute determinants, and find eigenvalues.
- Functions like `dot`, `cross`, and `inner` handle inner products and cross products.

4. Parametric Plot (2D, 3D)

- Use `plot` or `plot3` to create parametric plots. Specify functions of a parameter (e.g., time) to visualize curves in 2D or 3D.
- Example: `t = linspace(0, 2*pi, 100); plot3(cos(t), sin(t), t)`.

5.Polar, Spherical, and Cylindrical Coordinates

- MATLAB supports coordinate transformations. Convert between Cartesian, polar, spherical, and cylindrical coordinates.

- Functions like ``cart2pol``, ``cart2sph``, and ``cart2cyl`` handle these conversions.

6.Multivariable Plot

- Visualize multivariable functions using 3D plots or contour plots.

- For 3D plots, use ``surf`` or ``mesh``. For contour plots, try ``contour`` or ``contourf``.