Suppose

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

In order to initialize A as stated above type

```
>>A = [ 1 2 3;4 5 6 ]
A =
1 2 3
4 5 6
```

The *semicolon* is used for suppressing the output. If you do not want to suppress the output, just ignore the *semicolon* at the end (Be careful when dealing with large arrays i.e. images).

Warning!

Remember, in Matlab you can not start a variable or a function or even a script name with a number.

 $1.m \rightarrow invalid$ question $1.m \rightarrow valid$

First indices are for accessing rows and the second indices are for accessing columns. In order to access whole row or column, *colon* is used.

```
>>A(2,3)

ans =

6

>>A(:,1)

ans =

1

4

>>A(1,:)

ans =

1

2
```

You can access the elements of an array also by specifying a single index $A(i, j) \equiv A(i+r(j-1))$. Where r is the number of rows in A.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A(1,1) & A(1,2) & A(1,3) \\ A(2,1) & A(2,2) & A(2,3) \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} A(1) & A(3) & A(5) \\ A(2) & A(4) & A(6) \end{bmatrix}$$
(2)

Size of an array can be accessed by:

3

>>size(A)

ans =

2 3

2

Suppose we are trying to create two matrices (X,Y) where each element in X/Y contain it's column/row index.

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3)

```
X = [1;1;1] * [1,2,3]
```

```
X =
```

```
1 2 3

1 2 3

1 2 3

Y=[1;2;3]*[1,1,1]

Y =

1 1 1
```

2 2 2 3 3 3 3

Note that $X = Y^T$. The same result can be obtained by

```
[X,Y] = meshgrid(1:3,1:3)
```

X =

Y =

3

1 1	2	3
1	2	3
1	1	1
2	2	2

3

3

Suppose, we want to create an array such that each element depends on it's indexes (i.e. image is a function of spatial coordinates). Then it is useful to use X and Y to evaluate the function at each coordinate since X and Y contains spatial coordinates.

Drawing a line on L with equation y = x/2 such that

$$L(y,x) = \begin{cases} 1 & y = x/2 \\ 0 & y \neq x/2 \end{cases}$$
(4)

```
L = zeros(3,3)
L =
     0
           0
                 0
     0
           0
                 0
     0
           0
                 0
L(Y==round(X/2)) = 1
L =
     1
           1
                 0
     0
           0
                 1
     0
           0
                 0
```

You can try this exercise with a larger L.

To read and write and display images:

```
I = imread('filename');
```

Warning!

Do not forget to put semicolon. Otherwise Matlab will print whole array on the screen.

imshow(I);

imwrite(I, 'another_name', 'fmt');

It writes the image I to the file specified by *another_name* in the format specified by *fmt*. Some common formats:

- 'bmp'
- 'gif'
- 'jpg'
- 'tif'
- . . .