

Chapter Three

Loops and Controlling Command

Table 6 : Relational and logical operators

OPERATOR	DESCRIPTION
>	Greater than
<	Less than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<=	Less than or equal to
==	Equal to
~=	Not equal to
&	AND operator
	OR operator
~	NOT operator

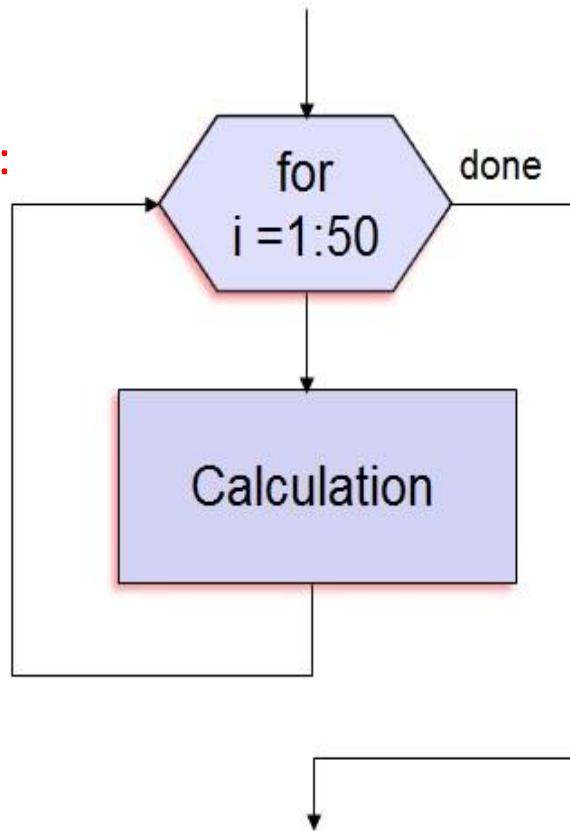
Loops

1. The " for ... end " loop

```
for variable = expression  
    statements  
end
```

A simple example of for loop is:

```
for i = 1 : 50  
    x = i*i  
end
```



```
for i=1:50  
    calculation ;  
end
```

The following statements form the 5-by-5 symmetric matrix A with $(i;j)$ element i / j for $j \geq i$:

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

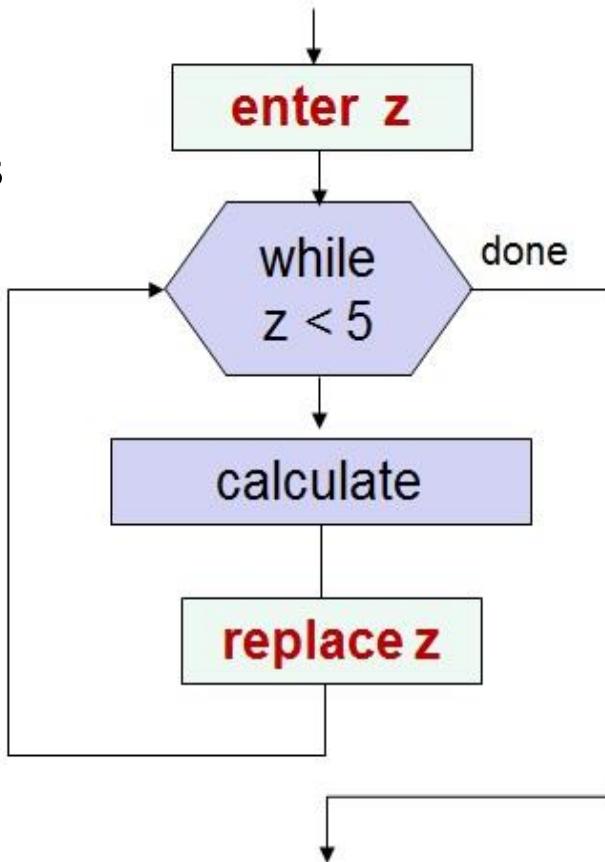
eye is used to Identity matrix

Syntax: Y = eye(n)

Description: Y = eye(n) returns the n-by-n identity matrix.

2. The " while ... end " loop

**while expression
statements
end**



```
z=0;  
while z<5  
    calculate;  
    z=z+1;  
end
```

Ex:

```
x=1;  
while x <= 10  
    x = 3*x  
end
```

Controlling Command

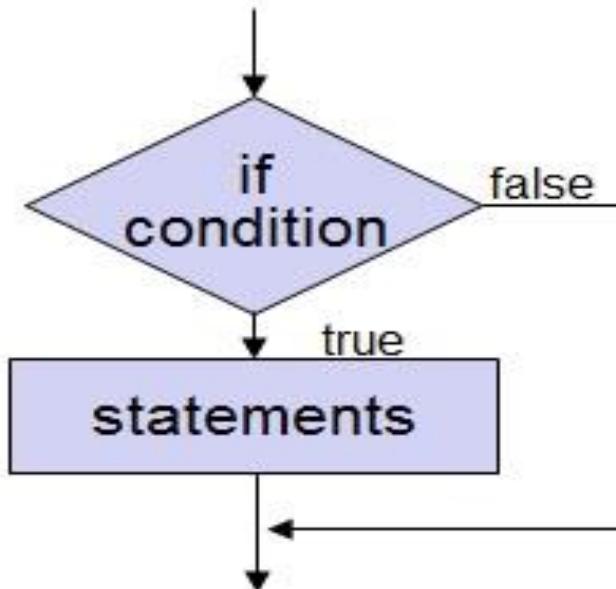
1. The "if...end" Structure

MATLAB supports the variants of "if" construct.

- if...end
- if...else...end
- if...elseif...else...end

The simplest form of the if statement is

```
if expression  
    statements  
end
```



```
if x > 5  
    % calculation ;  
end
```

Examples

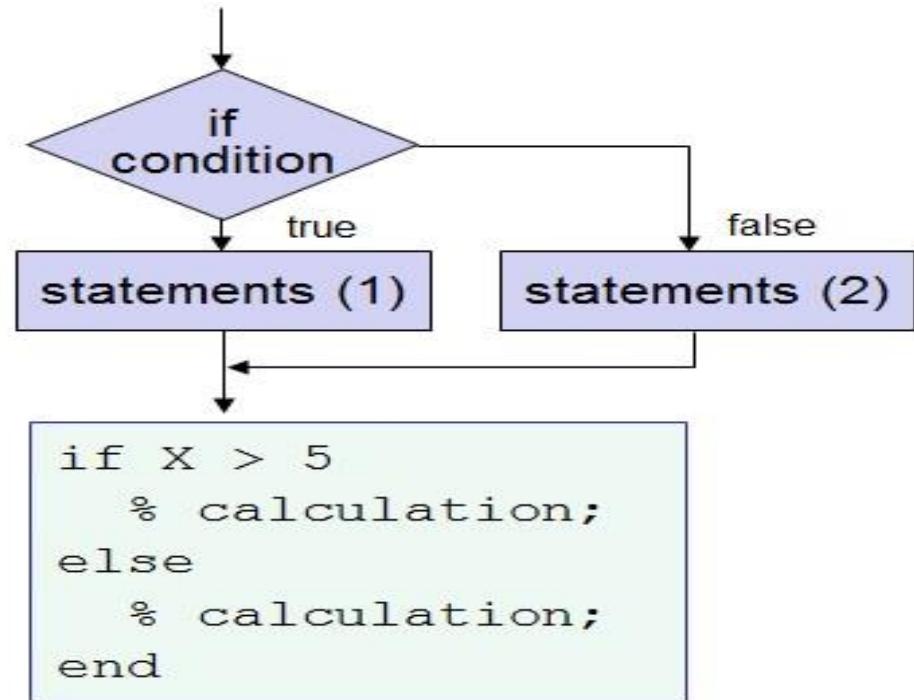
```
1) total = b * b-4 * a * c ;  
if total < 0  
    disp ('total is negative value');  
end
```

```
2) total = b * b-4 * a * c ;  
if total < 0  
    disp ('total is negative value');  
else  
    disp ('total is positive value')  
end
```

disp is used to display text or array

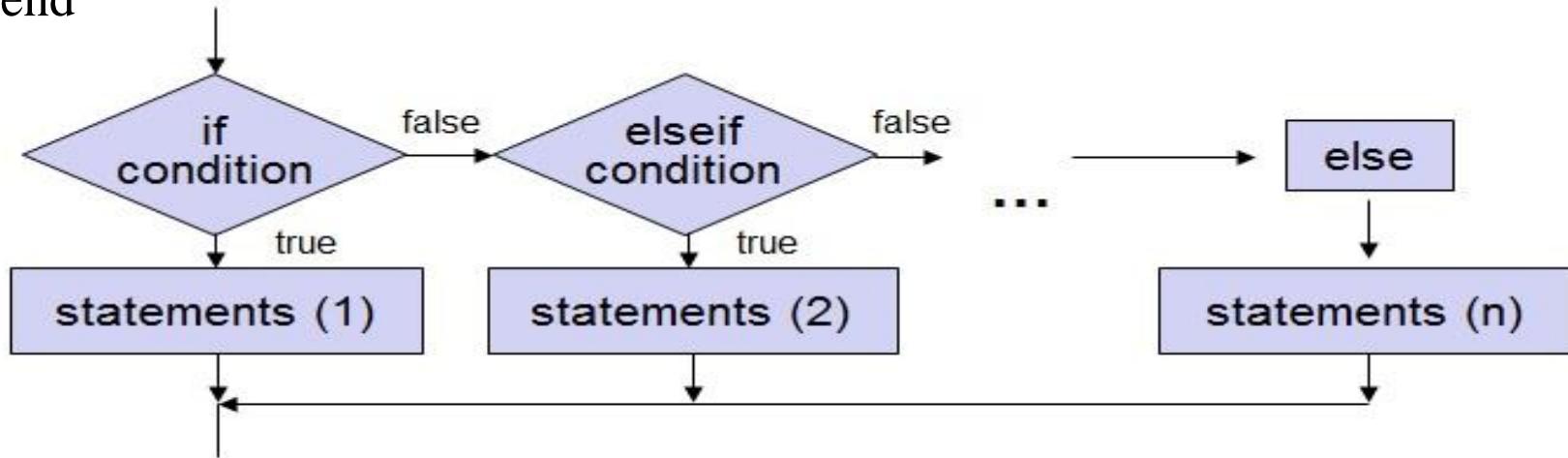
Syntax: `disp(x)`

Description: `disp(x)` displays an array, without printing the array name. If `x` contains a text string, the string is displayed. Another way to display an array on the screen is to type its name, but this prints a leading "x=," which is not always desirable. Note that `disp` does not display empty arrays.



3)

```
total = b * b - 4 * a * c ;
if total < 0
    disp ('total is negative value');
elseif total == 0
    disp ('total is zero value')
else
    disp ('total is positive value')
end
```



```
if A>5
    calculation;
elseif A<5
    calculation;
else
    calculation
end
```

Notes:

- **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 block is not required, but facilitate the reading.

Return

```
a = 0.5;  
if a < 1  
    disp('Wrong parameters');  
return  
end
```

Continue

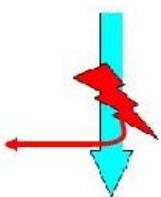
```
for n = 1:50  
if mod(n,7)  
    continue  
end  
    disp(['Divisible by 7: ' num2str(n)])  
end
```



- **break** – immediately breaks the loop
 - Breaks only one loop



- **continue** – jump to the end statement.
 - Does not break the loop



- **return** – returns control to the command line (or to the calling function).

Only inside loops

Anywhere

Switch

```
switch expiration  
    case1  
        statement,  
    case2  
        statement,  
    otherwise  
        statement,  
end
```

Example: Write a code to convert x (cm) to any length unit type (in, ft, m, cm, and mm).

switch units

```
    case {'inch','in'} % 'units' contains type of
y = x*2.54;      % input, output is in cm
    case {'feet','ft'}
y = x*2.54*12;
    case {'meter','m'}
y = x*100;
    case {'centimeter','cm'}
y = x;
    case {'millimeter','mm'}
y = x/10;
    otherwise
disp(['Unknown Units: ' units])
y = NaN;
end
```