

## ME 1020 Engineering Programming with MATLAB

Problem 3.7:

7.\* When a belt is wrapped around a cylinder, the relation between the belt forces on each side of the cylinder is

$$F_1 = F_2 e^{\mu\beta}$$

where  $\beta$  is the angle of wrap of the belt and  $\mu$  is the friction coefficient. Write a script file that first prompts a user to specify  $\beta$ ,  $\mu$ , and  $F_2$  and then computes the force  $F_1$ . Test your program with the values  $\beta = 130^\circ$ ,  $\mu = 0.3$ , and  $F_2 = 100$  N. (*Hint*: Be careful with  $\beta$ !)

The hint indicates that beta must be in radians!

Search for the **input** command:

### input

Request user input

#### Syntax

```
evalResponse = input(prompt)
strResponse = input(prompt, 's')
```

#### Description

`evalResponse = input(prompt)` displays the `prompt` string on the screen, waits for input from the keyboard, evaluates any expressions in the input, and returns the value in `evalResponse`. To evaluate expressions, the `input` function accesses variables in the current workspace.

`strResponse = input(prompt, 's')` returns the entered text as a MATLAB string, without evaluating expressions.

#### Examples

Request a text response. Assign a default value ('Y') by checking for an empty matrix.

```
reply = input('Do you want more? Y/N [Y]: ', 's');
if isempty(reply)
    reply = 'Y';
end
```

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1   % Problem 3.7
2   -   clear
3   -   clc
4   -   disp('Problem 3.7: Scott Thomas')
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6   -   F2 = input('F2 = ')
7   -   Mu = input('Mu = ')
8   -   Beta_degrees = input('Beta (degrees) = ')
9   -   Beta_radians = Beta_degrees*pi/180
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11  -   F1 = F2*exp(Mu*Beta_radians)
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13  % Generate a plot
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15  -   beta_degrees = 1:179;
16  -   beta_radians = beta_degrees*pi/180;
17  -   F1plot = F2*exp(Mu*beta_radians);
18  -   plot(beta_degrees,F1plot),xlabel('Beta (degrees)'),ylabel('F1 (N)')
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Problem 3.7: Scott Thomas

F2 = 100

F2 =

100

Mu = .3

Mu =

0.3000

Beta (degrees) = 130

Beta\_degrees =

130

Beta\_radians =

2.2689

F1 =

197.5217

*f<sub>x</sub>* >> |

