

Matrix Data Structures

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- Dense matrix can be stored in a fixed-size array.

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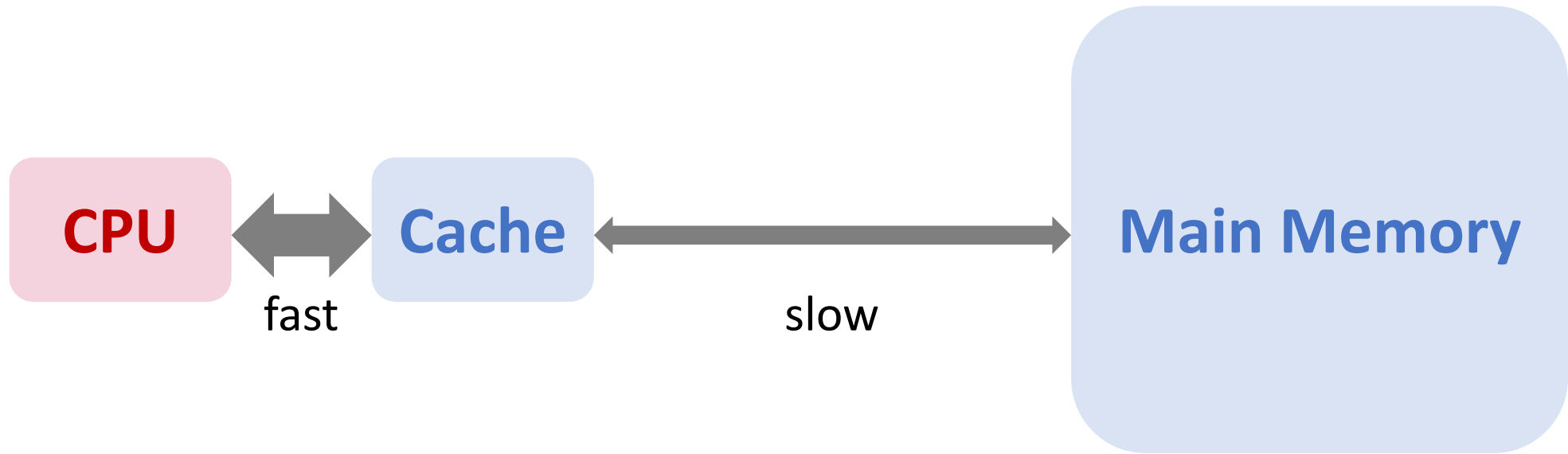
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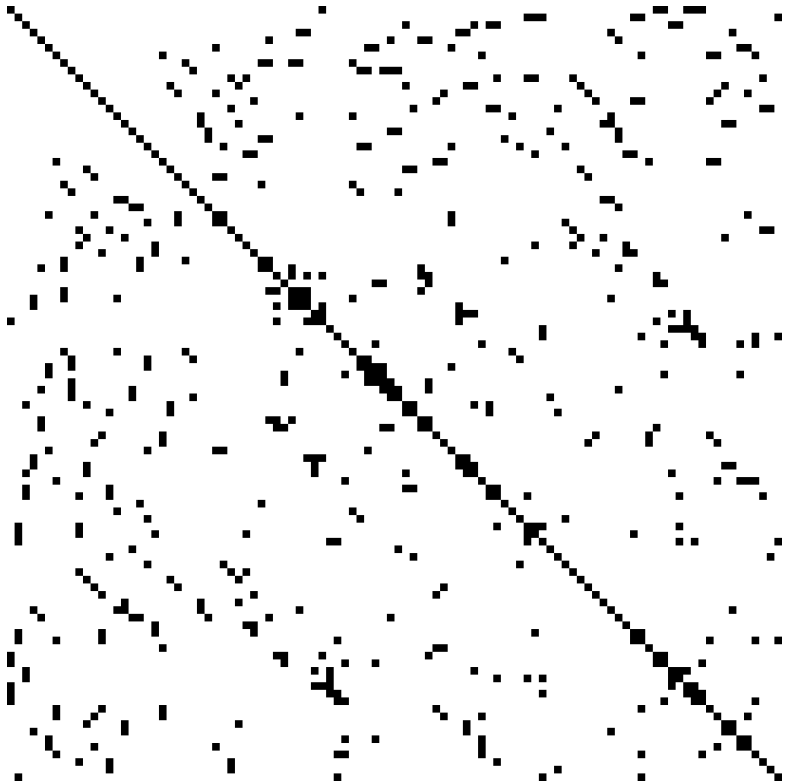
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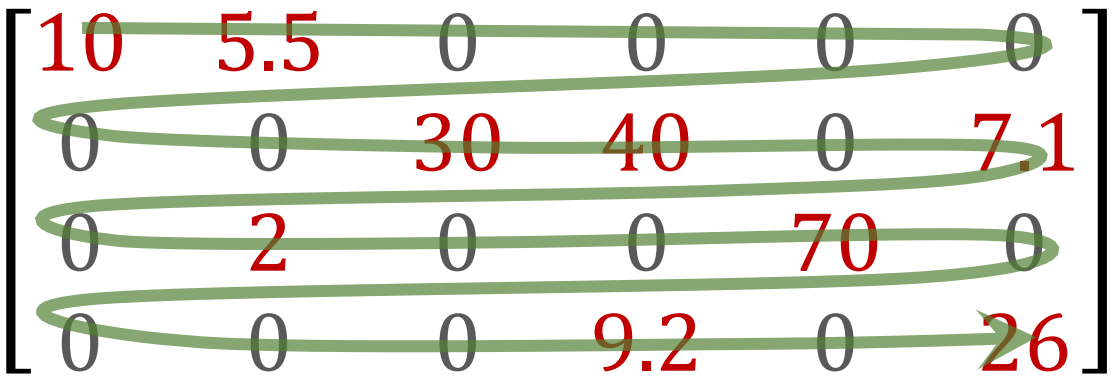
Example of sparse matrix

- **Sparse matrix:** A matrix in which most elements are zeros.
- **Question:** How to store a sparse matrix?
- **Bad solution:** As a dense matrix.
- **Good solution:** Storing only the nonzero elements and their indices.

Sparse Matrices

- Compressed Sparse Row (**CSR**).
- Compressed Sparse Column (**CSC**).
- There are different schemes. This lecture introduces only one representation.

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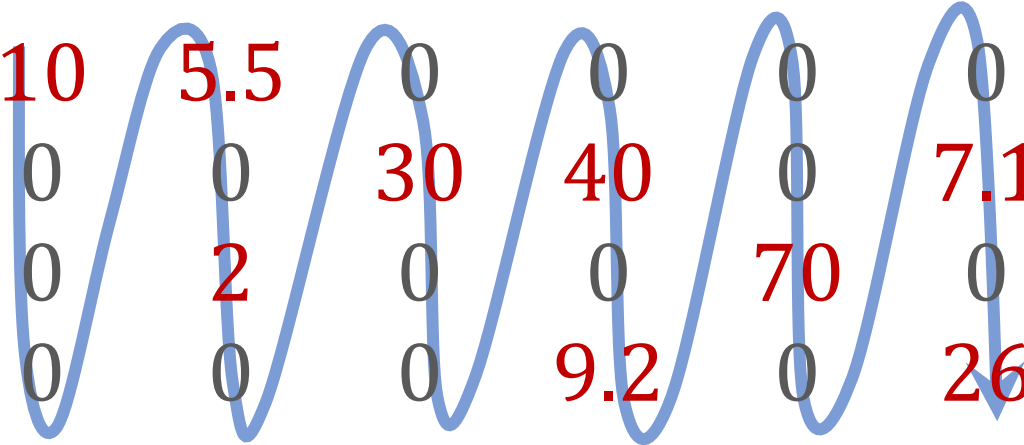
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$$(8 + 4 + 4) \cdot \text{nnz}(\mathbf{A}) = 16 \cdot \text{nnz}(\mathbf{A}).$$

- Memory cost (Bytes) of an $m \times n$ dense matrix:

$$8mn.$$

- If over 50% elements are zeros, then CSR and CSC save memory.

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Matrix L1 Norm

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- The 4×6 matrix \mathbf{A} is stored as CSR matrix (in the above).
- **Question:** What is the ℓ_1 -norm of \mathbf{A} ?
- **Hint:** The matrix ℓ_1 -norm is $\|\mathbf{A}\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{j=1}^6 |a_{ij}|$.

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