

Query languages with structural and analytic properties

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1 MATLANG syntax and semantics

We assume that we have a supply of matrix variables. The definition of an instance I on MATLANG is a function defined on a nonempty set $var(I) = \{A, B, M, C, \dots\}$, that assigns a concrete matrix to each element (matrix *name*) of $var(I)$.

Every expression e is a matrix of $var(I)$ (*base* matrix, if you will) or a result of an operation over matrices.

The syntax of MATLANG expressions is defined by the following grammar. Every sentence is an expression itself.

$$\begin{aligned}
 e &= M && \text{(matrix variable)} \\
 \text{let } M = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 &&& \text{(local binding)} \\
 e^* &&& \text{(conjugate transpose)} \\
 \mathbf{1}(e) &&& \text{(one-vector)} \\
 \text{diag}(e) &&& \text{(diagonalization of a vector)} \\
 e_1 \cdot e_2 &&& \text{(matrix multiplication)} \\
 \text{apply}[f](e_1, \dots, e_n) &&& \text{(pointwise application of } f)
 \end{aligned}$$

The operations used in the semantics of the language are defined over complex numbers.

- **Transpose:** if A is a matrix then A^* is its conjugate transpose.
- **One-vector:** if A is a $n \times m$ matrix then $\mathbf{1}(A)$ is the $m \times 1$ column vector full of ones.
- **Diag:** if v is a $m \times 1$ column vector then $\text{diag}(v)$ is the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 v_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\
 0 & v_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\
 \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & v_m
 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Matrix multiplication:** if A is a $n \times m$ matrix and B is a $m \times p$ matrix then $A \cdot B$ is the $n \times p$ matrix with $(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik}B_{kj}$.
- **Pointwise application:** if $A^{(1)}, \dots, A^{(n)}$ are $m \times p$ matrices, then $\text{apply}[f](A^{(1)}, \dots, A^{(n)})$ is the $m \times p$ matrix C where $C_{ij} = f(A_{ij}^{(1)}, \dots, A_{ij}^{(n)})$.

The formal semantics have a set of rules for an expression e to be valid on an instance I , this is, e succesfully evaluates to a matrix A on the instance I . This success is denoted as $e(I) = A$. Here $I[M := A]$ denotes the instance that is equal to I except that maps M to the matrix A .

Expression	Condition for validity
(let $M = e_1$ in e_2)(I) = B	$e_1(I) = A, e_2(I[M := A]) = B$
$e^*(I) = A^*$	$e(I) = A$
$\mathbf{1}(e)(I) = \mathbf{1}(A)$	$e(I) = A$
$\text{diag}(e)(I) = \text{diag}(A)$	$e(I) = A, A$ is a column vector
$e_1 \cdot e_2(I) = A \cdot B$	$\# \text{ columns of } A = \# \text{ rows of } B$
$\text{apply}[f](e_1, \dots, e_n)(I) = \text{apply}[f](A_1, \dots, A_n)$	$\forall k, e_k(I) = A$ and all A_k have the same dimention

2 Adding canonical vectors to MATLAB

One thing that we cannot do in MATLAB is to obtain a specific entry of a matrix. This entry is expected to be a 1×1 matrix. We can do this by adding the standard unit vectors e_j where

$$e_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow i\text{-th position}$$

We know show some examples of what can we express with this new feature. For illustrative reasons, we asume that all the dimention are well suited for the corresponding operation.

- Get A_{ij} with $e_i^* \cdot A \cdot e_j$.
- The expression $e_i \cdot e_j^*$ is the matrix that has a 1 in the position i, j and zero everywhere else.
- Given a vector v , the expression $v \cdot e_i^*$ is the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & v_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & v_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0 & \cdots & v_n & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Replace column j of A with zeros: $A(I - e_j \cdot e_j^*)$.
- Replace column j of A with a vector v : $A(I - e_j \cdot e_j^*) + v \cdot e_j^*$.

Note that $I = \text{diag}(\mathbf{1}(A))$ and the sum of matrices can be implemented as $\text{apply}[+](A, B)$.

3 Connection with logic

4 Core of Matlab and R

MATLAB

The basic operations of MATLAB over matrices are:

- **mldivide**(A, B): returns x such that $Ax = B$.

- **descomposition**(A): returns a decomposition or factorization LU, LDL, QR , Cholesky, etc.
- **inv**(A): returns A^{-1} .
- **multiplication**: compute $A \cdot B$.
- **transpose**(A): returns A^T .
- **conjugate transpose**(A): returns A' .
- **matrix power**(A, k): returns A^k .
- **eigen**(A): returns the eigenvectors and the eigenvectors matrices of A .
- **funm**(A, f): returns matrix B with elements $b_{ij} = f(a_{ij})$.
- **crossprod**(a, b): vectorial product, returns c such that $c \perp a, b$.
- **dotprod**(a,b): returns $a \cdot b$.
- **diag**(v): v vector. Returns the following matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & v_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- **diag**(A): given matrix A , it returns

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

- **det**(A): returns the determinant of A .
- **zeros**(n, m): returns a $n \times m$ matrix full of zeros.
- **ones**(n, m): returns a $n \times m$ matrix full of ones.
- **A[i, j]**: you can get A_{ij} .

R

The basic operations of the language R over matrices are:

- **A%%B**: matrix multiplication.
- **A*B**: pointwise multiplication.
- **t(A)**: transpose.
- **diag(v)**: returns the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & v_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- **diag(A)**: Returns the vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

- **diag(k)**: k scalar. It creates the $k \times k$ identity matrix.
- **matrix(k, n, m)**: returns the $n \times m$ matrix, where every entry is equal to k .
- **solve(A, b)**: returns x such that $Ax = b$.
- **solve(A)**: returns A^{-1} .
- **det(A)**: determinant of A .
- **y<-eigen(A)**: stores the eigenvalues of A in `y$val` and the eigenvectors in `y$vec`.
- **y<-svd(A)**: it computes and stores the following:
 - `y$d`: vector of the singular values of A .
 - `y$u`: matrix of the left singular vectors of A .
 - `y$v`: matrix of the right singular vectors of A .
- **R<-chol(A)**: Cholesky factorization, $R'R = A$.
- **y<-qr(A)**: QR decomposition, stored in `y$qr`.
- **cbind(A,B, v, ...)**: joins matrices and vector horizontally, returns a matrix.
- **rbind(A,B, v, ...)**: joins matrices and vector vertically, returns a matrix.
- **rowMeans(A)**: returns the vector of the averages over the rows of A .
- **colMeans(A)**: returns the vector of the averages over the columns of A .
- **rowSums(A)**: returns the vector of the sums over the rows of A .
- **colSums(A)**: returns the vector of the sums over the columns of A .
- **outer(A, B, f)**: applies $f(\cdot, \cdot)$. Returns matrix C of entries $c_{ij} = f(a_{ij}, b_{ij})$.
- **A[i, j]**: you can get A_{ij} .