# 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  $var(I) = \{A, B, M, C, \ldots\}$ , that assigns a concrete matrix to each element (matrix name) of var(I).

Every expression e is a matrix, either 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.

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

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 diag(v) is the matrix

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

- 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  $A^{(1)}, \ldots, A^{(n)}$  are  $m \times p$  matrices, then apply  $[f](A^{(1)}, \ldots, A^{(n)})$  is the  $m \times p$  matrix C where  $C_{ij} = f(A_{ij}^{(1)}, \ldots, A_{ij}^{(n)})$ .

The formal semantics have a set of rules for an expression e to be valid on an instance I, this is, e successfully 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.

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

## 2 Adding canonical vectors to MATLANG

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

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

We know show some examples of what can we express with this new feature. For ilustrative reasons, we asume that all the dimentions 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

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

- 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 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  $a \cdot b$ .
- $\operatorname{diag}(v)$ : v vector. Returns the following matrix:

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

• 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  $A_{ij}$ .

### $\mathbf{R}$

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

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

• diag(A): Returns the vector

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

- $\operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{k})$ : 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 de 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.
- $\mathbf{R} < -\mathbf{chol}(\mathbf{A})$ : Cholesky fatorization, R'R = A.
- $\mathbf{y} < -\mathbf{qr}(\mathbf{A})$ : QR decomposition, strong 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  $A_{ij}$ .