CasADi tutorial 2

This tutorial file explains the use of CasADi's Function in a python context. We assume you have read trough the SX tutorial.

Introduction

Let's start with creating a simple expression tree z.

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from casadi import *
from numpy import *

x = SX.sym("x")

y = x**2

z = sin(y) + y

print z
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@1=sq(x), (sin(@1)+@1)
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The printout value of z may give you the false impression that the evaluation of z will involve two multiplications of x. This is not the case. This is what's going on under the hood:

The expression tree of z does not contain two subexpressions x*x, rather it contains two pointers to a signle subexpression x*x. In fact, in the C++ implementation, an S object is really not more than a collection of pointers. It are SXNode objects which really contain the data associated with subexpressions.

CasADi generates SXnodes at a very fine-grained level. Even 'sin(y)' is an SXNode, even though we have not ourselves declared a variable to point to it.

When evaluating z for a particular numerical value of x, the product is computed only once.

Functions

CasADi's Function has powerful input/output behaviour. The following input/output primitives are supported: A function that uses one primitive as input/output is said to be 'single input'/'single output'.

In general, an SXfunction can map from-and-to list/tuples of these primitives.

Functions with scalar valued input

The following code creates and evaluates a single input (scalar valued), single output (scalar valued) function.

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45  f = Function('f', [x], [z]) # z = f(x)
46  47  print "%d -> %d" % (f.n_in(), f.n_out())
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1 -> 1

46  | f_in = f.sx_in()
    print f_in, type(f_in)

[SX(x)] <type 'list'>
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f out = f(*f in)
    print f_out, type(f_out)
      @1=sq(x), (sin(@1)+@1) < class 'casadi.casadi.SX'>
   z0 = f(2)
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    print z0
      3.2432
   print type (z0)
      <class 'casadi.casadi.DM'>
   z0 = f(3)
    print z0
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      9.41212
       We can evaluate symbolically, too:
    print f(y)
      @1=sq(sq(x)), (sin(@1)+@1)
       Since numbers get cast to SXConstant object, you can also write the following non-efficient code:
    print f(2)
      3.2432
       We can do symbolic derivatives: f' = dz/dx.
    print SX.grad(f)
      ((x+x)*(1+\cos(sq(x))))
       The following code creates and evaluates a multi input (scalar valued), multi output (scalar valued) function.
    x = SX.sym("x") # 1 by 1 matrix serves as scalar
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    y = SX.sym("y") # 1 by 1 matrix serves as scalar
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    f = Function('f', [x , y ], [x*y, x+y])
    print "%d \rightarrow %d" % (f.n in(), f.n out())
      2 -> 2
    r = f(2, 3)
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    print [r[i] for i in range(2)]
      [DM(6), DM(5)]
   print [[SX.grad(f,i,j) for i in range(2)] for j in range(2)]
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Symbolic function manipulation

[[SX(y), SX(x)], [SX(1), SX(1)]]

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f = Function('f', [x, vertcat(a,b)], [a*x + b])
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    print f(x, vertcat(a,b))
      ((a*x)+b)
    print f(SX(1.0), vertcat(a,b))
      (a+b)
    print f(x, vertcat(SX.sym("c"),SX.sym("d")))
      ((c * x) + d)
    print f(SX(), vertcat(SX.sym("c"),SX.sym("d")))
      d
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    print f(x, vertcat(k[0],b))
      ((a*x)+b)
    print f(x, vertcat(SX.sym("c"),SX.sym("d")))
      ((c \star x) + d)
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Functions with vector valued input

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The following code creates and evaluates a single input (vector valued), single output (vector valued) function.
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    x = SX.sym("x")
   y = SX.sym("y")
   f = Function('f', [vertcat(x, y)], [vertcat(x*y, x+y)])
    print "%d -> %d" % (f.n_in(), f.n_out())
      1 -> 1
    r = f([2, 3])
    print z
       @1=sq(x), (sin(@1)+@1)
    G=SX.jac(f).T
    print G
      @1=1,
       [[y, @1],
        [x, @1]]
        The evaluation of v can be efficiently achieved by automatic differentiation as follows:
    df = f. derivative (1,0)
    res = df([2,3], [7,6])
    print res[1] # v
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       [33, 13]
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Functions with matrix valued input
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x = SX.sym("x", 2, 2)
    y = SX.sym("y", 2, 2)
110 | print x*y # Not a dot product
       [[(x_0 * y_0), (x_2 * y_2)],
       [(x_1 * y_1), (x_3 * y_3)]
111 f = Function('f', [x,y], [x*y])
    print "%d -> %d" % (f.n_in(), f.n_out())
      2 -> 1
    print f(x,y)
       [[(x_0 * y_0), (x_2 * y_2)],
       [(x_1*y_1), (x_3*y_3)]
114 r = f(DM([[1,2],[3,4]]), DM([[4,5],[6,7]]))
    print r
       [[4, 10],
       [18, 28]]
    print SX.jac(f,0).T
       [[y_0, 00, 00, 00],
       [00, y<sub>1</sub>, 00, 00],
        [00, 00, y 2, 00],
        [00, 00, 00, y_3]]
   print SX.jac(f,1).T
       [[x_0, 00, 00, 00],
        [00, x 1, 00, 00],
        [00, 00, x 2, 00],
        [00, 00, 00, x 3]]
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    print 12
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    f = Function('f', [x,y], [x*y,x+y])
    print type(x)
       <class 'casadi.casadi.SX'>
    print f(x,y)
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       [[(x_0 * y_0), (x_2 * y_2)],
       [(x_1*y_1), (x_3*y_3)]]), SX(
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[[(x_0+y_0), (x_2+y_2)],
       [(x_1+y_1), (x_3+y_3)]))
    print type(f(x,y))
      <type 'tuple'>
    print type (f (x, y) [0])
      <class 'casadi.casadi.SX'>
    print type (f (x, y) [0][0,0])
      <class 'casadi.casadi.SX'>
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    f = Function('f', [x], [x+y])
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    print type(x)
      <class 'casadi.casadi.SX'>
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    print f(x)
      [[(x_0+y_0), (x_2+y_2)],
       [(x_1+y_1), (x_3+y_3)]
    print type(f(x))
      <class 'casadi.casadi.SX'>
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A current limitation is that matrix valued input/ouput is handled through flattened vectors Note the peculiar form of the gradient.

Conclusion

This tutorial showed how Function allows for symbolic or numeric evaluation and differentiation.