

The Array API

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Many array manipulation libraries...











... not really compatible!

Array API - layer to create compatible libraries

- Minimal set to implement libraries on top of these arrays.
- Based on numpy.
- Focus on pure-python code (no C-extension).
- Some limitations compared to classical numpy:
 - No inplace operations!
 - Functions only work with arrays.

Demo usage

```
import array_api_compat

def least_square(X, y, lr=1e-3, max_iter=100):
    # Get the array namespace
    xp = array_api_compat.array_namespace(X, y)

# Write standard algorithm
    w = xp.zeros(X.shape[1:], dtype=X.dtype, device=getattr(X, 'device', None))
    for i in range(max_iter):
        w = w - lr * xp.matrix_transpose(X) @ ( X @ w - y)
    return w
```

```
import numpy as np

X = np.random.randn(1000, 10)
beta = np.random.randn(10)
y = X @ beta + np.random.randn(1000)

least_square(X, y)
```

```
import torch
least_square(torch.tensor(X), torch.tensor(y))

least_square(
    torch.tensor(X, device='cuda:3'),
    torch.tensor(y, device='cuda:3')
```

sklearn is making some algorithms compatible with the API:

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11.1.2. Support for Array API-compatible inputs

Estimators and other tools in scikit-learn that support Array API compatible inputs.

11.1.2.1. Estimators

- decomposition.PCA (With svd_solver="full", svd_solver="randomized" and power_iteration_normalizer="QR")
- linear_model.Ridge (With solver="svd")
- discriminant_analysis.LinearDiscriminantAnalysis (with solver="svd")
- preprocessing.KernelCenterer
- preprocessing.MaxAbsScaler
- preprocessing.MinMaxScaler
- preprocessing.Normalizer

Good idea to think of it when developing novel algorithms that only require python calls!