

## 16.62 SPARSE: Sparse Matrix Calculations

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### 16.62.1 Introduction

A very powerful feature of REDUCE is the ease with which matrix calculations can be performed. This package extends the available matrix feature to enable calculations with sparse matrices. This package also provides a selection of functions that are useful in the world of linear algebra with respect to sparse matrices.

#### Loading the Package

The package is loaded by: `load_package sparse;`

### 16.62.2 Sparse Matrix Calculations

To extend the the syntax to this class of calculations we need to add an expression type `sparse`.

#### 16.62.2.1 Sparse Variables

An identifier may be declared a sparse variable by the declaration `SPARSE`. The size of the sparse matrix must be declared explicitly in the matrix declaration. For example,

```
sparse aa(10,1),bb(200,200);
```

declares `AA` to be a 10 x 1 (column) sparse matrix and `Y` to be a 200 x 200 sparse matrix. The declaration `SPARSE` is similar to the declaration `MATRIX`. Once a symbol is declared to name a sparse matrix, it can not also be used to name an array, operator, procedure, or used as an ordinary variable. For more information see the Matrix Variables section ([14.2](#)).

#### 16.62.2.2 Assigning Sparse Matrix Elements

Once a matrix has been declared a sparse matrix all elements of the matrix are initialized to 0. Thus when a sparse matrix is initially referred to the

message

```
"The matrix is dense, contains only zeros"
```

is returned. When printing out a matrix only the non-zero elements are printed. This is due to the fact that only the non-zero elements of the matrix are stored. To assign the elements of the declared matrix we use the following syntax. Assuming `AA` and `BB` have been declared as sparse matrices, we simply write,

```
aa(1,1) := 10;  
bb(100,150) := a;
```

etc. This then sets the element in the first row and first column to 10, or the element in the 100th row and 150th column to `a`.

### 16.62.2.3 Evaluating Sparse Matrix Elements

Once an element of a sparse matrix has been assigned, it may be referred to in standard array element notation. Thus `aa(2,1)` refers to the element in the second row and first column of the sparse matrix `AA`.

### 16.62.3 Sparse Matrix Expressions

These follow the normal rules of matrix algebra. Sums and products must be of compatible size; otherwise an error will result during evaluation. Similarly, only square matrices may be raised to a power. A negative power is computed as the inverse of the matrix raised to the corresponding positive power. For more information and the syntax for matrix algebra see the Matrix Expressions section (14.3).

### 16.62.4 Operators with Sparse Matrix Arguments

The operators in the Sparse Matrix Package are the same as those in the Matrix Package with the exception that the `NULLSPACE` operator is not defined. See section Operators with Matrix Arguments (14.4) for more details.

#### 16.62.4.1 Examples

In the examples the matrix  $\mathcal{AA}$  will be

$$\mathcal{AA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

```
det ppp;
```

```
135
```

```
trace ppp;
```

```
18
```

```
rank ppp;
```

```
4
```

```
spm(eta,1);
```

```
{eta - 1,1,
```

```
  spm(1,1) := arbcomplex(4)$
  },
```

```
{eta - 3,1,
```

```
  spm(2,1) := arbcomplex(5)$
  },
```

```
{eta - 5,1,
```

```
  spm(3,1) := arbcomplex(6)$
  },
```

```
{eta - 9,1,
```

```
  spm(4,1) := arbcomplex(7)$
  }}

```

### 16.62.5 The Linear Algebra Package for Sparse Matrices

This package is an extension of the Linear Algebra Package for REDUCE described in section 16.37. These functions are described alphabetically in section 16.62.6. They can be classified into four sections (n.b: the numbers after the dots signify the function label in section 6).

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#### Note on examples:

In the examples the matrix  $\mathcal{A}$  will be

$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Unfortunately, due to restrictions of size, it is not practical to use “large” sparse matrices in the examples. As a result the examples shown may appear trivial, but they give an idea of how the functions work.

#### Notation

Throughout  $\mathcal{I}$  is used to indicate the identity matrix and  $\mathcal{A}^T$  to indicate the transpose of the matrix  $\mathcal{A}$ .

## 16.62.6 Available Functions

### 16.62.6.1 spadd\_columns, spadd\_rows

#### Syntax:

```
spadd_columns ( $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $c1$ ,  $c2$ ,  $expr$ ) ;
```

$\mathcal{A}$      :- a sparse matrix.  
 $c1, c2$  :- positive integers.  
 $expr$    :- a scalar expression.

#### Synopsis:

`spadd_columns` replaces column  $c2$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  by  $expr * \text{column}(\mathcal{A}, c1) + \text{column}(\mathcal{A}, c2)$ .  
`add_rows` performs the equivalent task on the rows of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spadd\_columns}(\mathcal{A}, 1, 2, x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spadd\_rows}(\mathcal{A}, 2, 3, 5) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 25 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spadd_to_columns`, `spadd_to_rows`, `spmuilt_columns`,  
`spmuilt_rows`.

**16.62.6.2 spadd\_rows**

See: `spadd_columns`.

**16.62.6.3 spadd\_to\_columns, spadd\_to\_rows****Syntax:**

`spadd_to_columns`( $\mathcal{A}$ , `column_list`, `expr`);

$\mathcal{A}$             :- a sparse matrix.

`column_list` :- a positive integer or a list of positive integers.

`expr`           :- a scalar expression.

**Synopsis:**

`spadd_to_columns` adds `expr` to each column specified in `column_list` of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

`spadd_to_rows` performs the equivalent task on the rows of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spadd\_to\_columns}(\mathcal{A}, \{1, 2\}, 10) = \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 10 & 0 \\ 10 & 15 & 0 \\ 10 & 10 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spadd\_to\_rows}(\mathcal{A}, 2, -x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -x & -x + 5 & -x \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spadd_columns`, `spadd_rows`, `spmuilt_rows`, `spmuilt_columns`.

**16.62.6.4 spadd\_to\_rows**

See: `spadd_to_columns`.

**16.62.6.5 spaugment\_columns, spstack\_rows****Syntax:**

```
spaugment_columns( $\mathcal{A}$ , column_list);
```

$\mathcal{A}$             :- a sparse matrix.  
column\_list    :- either a positive integer or a list of positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

`spaugment_columns` gets hold of the columns of  $\mathcal{A}$  specified in `column_list` and sticks them together.

`spstack_rows` performs the same task on rows of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spaugment\_columns}(\mathcal{A}, \{1, 2\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spstack\_rows}(\mathcal{A}, \{1, 3\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spget_columns`, `spget_rows`, `spsub_matrix`.

**16.62.6.6 spband\_matrix****Syntax:**

```
spband_matrix(expr_list, square_size);
```

`expr_list`     :- either a single scalar expression or a list of an odd number of scalar expressions.  
`square_size`  :- a positive integer.

**Synopsis:**

`spband_matrix` creates a sparse square matrix of dimension `square_size`.

**Examples:**

$$\text{spband\_matrix}(\{x, y, z\}, 6) = \begin{pmatrix} y & z & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x & y & z & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & y & z & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x & y & z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x & y & z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x & y \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spdiagonal`.

**16.62.6.7 spblock\_matrix****Syntax:**

`spblock_matrix(r, c, matrix_list);`

`r, c`           :- positive integers.

`matrix_list`   :- a list of matrices of either sparse or matrix type.

**Synopsis:**

`spblock_matrix` creates a sparse matrix that consists of `r` by `c` matrices filled from the `matrix_list` row wise.

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 22 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spblock\_matrix}(2, 3, \{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{B}\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 22 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 22 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**16.62.6.8 spchar\_matrix****Syntax:**

`spchar_matrix(A, λ);`

`A`   :- a square sparse matrix.

`λ`   :- a symbol or algebraic expression.

**Synopsis:**

`spchar_matrix` creates the characteristic matrix  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

This is  $\mathcal{C} = \lambda * \mathcal{I} - \mathcal{A}$ .



**Examples:**

$$\text{spchar\_matrix}(\mathcal{A}, x) = \begin{pmatrix} x-1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x-5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x-9 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spchar_poly`.

**16.62.6.9 spchar\_poly****Syntax:**

`spchar_poly`( $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\lambda$ );

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse square matrix.

$\lambda$  :- a symbol or algebraic expression.

**Synopsis:**

`spchar_poly` finds the characteristic polynomial of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

This is the determinant of  $\lambda * \mathcal{I} - \mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spchar\_poly}(\mathcal{A}, x) = x^3 - 15 * x^2 - 59 * x - 45$$

**Related functions:**

`spchar_matrix`.

**16.62.6.10 spcholesky****Syntax:**

`spcholesky`( $\mathcal{A}$ );

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a positive definite sparse matrix containing numeric entries.

**Synopsis:**

`spcholesky` computes the cholesky decomposition of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

It returns  $\{\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{U}\}$  where  $\mathcal{L}$  is a lower matrix,  $\mathcal{U}$  is an upper matrix,  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{L}\mathcal{U}$ , and  $\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{L}^T$ .

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{F} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{cholesky}(\mathcal{F}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

**Related functions:**

splu\_decom.

**16.62.6.11 spcoeff\_matrix****Syntax:**

spcoeff\_matrix({lin\_eqn<sub>1</sub>, lin\_eqn<sub>2</sub>, ..., lin\_eqn<sub>n</sub>});

lin\_eqn<sub>1</sub>, lin\_eqn<sub>2</sub>, ..., lin\_eqn<sub>n</sub> :- linear equations. Can be of the form *equation = number* or just *equation* which is equivalent to *equation = 0*.

**Synopsis:**

spcoeff\_matrix creates the coefficient matrix  $\mathcal{C}$  of the linear equations.

It returns  $\{\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{B}\}$  such that  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{B}$ .

**Examples:**

spcoeff\_matrix({ $y - 20 * w = 10, y - z = 20, y + 4 + 3 * z, w + x + 50$ }) =

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -20 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} y \\ w \\ z \\ x \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 20 \\ -4 \\ 50 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

**16.62.6.12 spcol\_dim, sprow\_dim****Syntax:**

column\_dim( $\mathcal{A}$ );

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.

**Synopsis:**

`spcol_dim` finds the column dimension of  $\mathcal{A}$ .  
`sprow_dim` finds the row dimension of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

`spcol_dim(A) = 3`

**16.62.6.13 spcompanion****Syntax:**

`spcompanion(poly, x);`  
`poly` :- a monic univariate polynomial in  $x$ .  
`x` :- the variable.

**Synopsis:**

`spcompanion` creates the companion matrix  $\mathcal{C}$  of `poly`.

This is the square matrix of dimension  $n$ , where  $n$  is the degree of `poly` w.r.t.  $x$ . The entries of  $\mathcal{C}$  are:  $\mathcal{C}(i, n) = -\text{coeffn}(\text{poly}, x, i - 1)$  for  $i = 1 \dots n$ ,  $\mathcal{C}(i, i - 1) = 1$  for  $i = 2 \dots n$  and the rest are 0.

**Examples:**

$$\text{spcompanion}(x^4 + 17 * x^3 - 9 * x^2 + 11, x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -11 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -17 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spfind_companion`.

**16.62.6.14 spcopy\_into****Syntax:**

`spcopy_into(A, B, r, c);`  
 $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  :- matrices of type sparse or matrix.  
 $r, c$  :- positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

`spcopy_into` copies matrix  $\mathcal{A}$  into  $\mathcal{B}$  with  $\mathcal{A}(1,1)$  at  $\mathcal{B}(r,c)$ .

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{G} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spcopy\_into}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{G}, 1, 2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spaugment_columns`, `spextend`, `spmatrix_augment`, `spmatrix_stack`,  
`spstack_rows`, `spsub_matrix`.

**16.62.6.15 spdiagonal****Syntax:**

`spdiagonal({mat1, mat2, ..., matn});`<sup>32</sup>

`mat1, mat2, ..., matn` :- each can be either a scalar expr or a square matrix of sparse or matrix type.

**Synopsis:**

`spdiagonal` creates a sparse matrix that contains the input on the diagonal.

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{H} = \begin{pmatrix} 66 & 77 \\ 88 & 99 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spdiagonal}(\{\mathcal{A}, x, \mathcal{H}\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 66 & 77 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 88 & 99 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spjordan_block`.

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<sup>32</sup>The {}'s can be omitted.

**16.62.6.16 spextend****Syntax:**

```
spextend( $\mathcal{A}$ , r, c, expr);
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.  
r,c :- positive integers.  
expr :- algebraic expression or symbol.

**Synopsis:**

spextend returns a copy of  $\mathcal{A}$  that has been extended by r rows and c columns. The new entries are made equal to expr.

**Examples:**

$$\text{spextend}(\mathcal{A}, 1, 2, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

spcopy\_into, spmatrix\_augment, spmatrix\_stack, spremove\_columns, spremove\_rows.

**16.62.6.17 spfind\_companion****Syntax:**

```
spfind_companion( $\mathcal{A}$ , x);
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.  
x :- the variable.

**Synopsis:**

Given a sparse companion matrix, spfind\_companion finds the polynomial from which it was made.

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -11 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -17 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spfind\_companion}(\mathcal{C}, x) = x^4 + 17 * x^3 - 9 * x^2 + 11$$

**Related functions:**

spcompanion.

**16.62.6.18 spget\_columns, spget\_rows****Syntax:**

```
spget_columns(A, column_list);
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.

$c$  :- either a positive integer or a list of positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

spget\_columns removes the columns of  $\mathcal{A}$  specified in column\_list and returns them as a list of column matrices.

spget\_rows performs the same task on the rows of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spget\_columns}(\mathcal{A}, \{1, 3\}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{spget\_rows}(\mathcal{A}, 2) = \{(0 \ 5 \ 0)\}$$

**Related functions:**

spaugment\_columns, spstack\_rows, spsub\_matrix.

**16.62.6.19 spget\_rows**

See: spget\_columns.

**16.62.6.20 spgram\_schmidt****Syntax:**

```
spgram_schmidt({vec1, vec2, ..., vecn});
```

$\text{vec}_1, \text{vec}_2, \dots, \text{vec}_n$  :- linearly independent vectors. Each vector must be written as a list of predefined sparse (column) matrices, eg: sparse a(4,1);, a(1,1):=1;

**Synopsis:**

spgram\_schmidt performs the gram\_schmidt orthonormalisation on the input vectors.

It returns a list of orthogonal normalised vectors.

**Examples:**

Suppose a,b,c,d correspond to sparse matrices representing the following lists:  $\{\{1,0,0,0\},\{1,1,0,0\},\{1,1,1,0\},\{1,1,1,1\}\}$ .

```
spgram_schmidt({{a},{b},{c},{d}}) =
  {{1,0,0,0},{0,1,0,0},{0,0,1,0},{0,0,0,1}}
```

**16.62.6.21 sphermitian\_tp**

**Syntax:**

```
sphermitian_tp( $\mathcal{A}$ );
 $\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.
```

**Synopsis:**

sphermitian\_tp computes the hermitian transpose of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{J} = \begin{pmatrix} i+1 & i+2 & i+3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{sphermitian\_tp}(\mathcal{J}) = \begin{pmatrix} -i+1 & 0 & 0 \\ -i+2 & 0 & -i \\ -i+3 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

tp<sup>33</sup>.

**16.62.6.22 sphessian**

**Syntax:**

```
sphessian(expr, variable_list);
expr      :- a scalar expression.
variable_list :- either a single variable or a list of variables.
```

**Synopsis:**

sphessian computes the hessian matrix of expr w.r.t. the variables in variable\_list.

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<sup>33</sup>standard reduce call for the transpose of a matrix - see section 14.4.

**Examples:**

$$\text{spessian}(x * y * z + x^2, \{w, x, y, z\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & z & y \\ 0 & z & 0 & x \\ 0 & y & x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**16.62.6.23 spjacobian****Syntax:**

```
spjacobian(expr_list, variable_list);
```

`expr_list`     :- either a single algebraic expression or a list of algebraic expressions.

`variable_list` :- either a single variable or a list of variables.

**Synopsis:**

`spjacobian` computes the jacobian matrix of `expr_list` w.r.t. `variable_list`.

**Examples:**

$$\text{spjacobian}(\{x^4, x * y^2, x * y * z^3\}, \{w, x, y, z\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 * x^3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & y^2 & 2 * x * y & 0 \\ 0 & y * z^3 & x * z^3 & 3 * x * y * z^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spessian`, `df`<sup>34</sup>.

**16.62.6.24 spjordan\_block****Syntax:**

```
spjordan_block(expr, square_size);
```

`expr`            :- an algebraic expression or symbol.

`square_size`   :- a positive integer.

**Synopsis:**

`spjordan_block` computes the square jordan block matrix  $\mathcal{J}$  of dimension `square_size`.

<sup>34</sup>standard reduce call for differentiation - see 7.8.



**Examples:**

$$\text{spjordan\_block}(x, 5) = \begin{pmatrix} x & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spdiagonal`, `spcompanion`.

**16.62.6.25 splu\_decom****Syntax:**

`splu_decom(A)` ;

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix containing either numeric entries or imaginary entries with numeric coefficients.

**Synopsis:**

`splu_decom` performs LU decomposition on  $\mathcal{A}$ , ie: it returns  $\{\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{U}\}$  where  $\mathcal{L}$  is a lower diagonal matrix,  $\mathcal{U}$  an upper diagonal matrix and  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{L}\mathcal{U}$ .

**Caution:** The algorithm used can swap the rows of  $\mathcal{A}$  during the calculation. This means that  $\mathcal{L}\mathcal{U}$  does not equal  $\mathcal{A}$  but a row equivalent of it. Due to this, `splu_decom` returns  $\{\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{U}, \text{vec}\}$ . The call `spconvert(A, vec)` will return the sparse matrix that has been decomposed, ie:  $\mathcal{L}\mathcal{U} = \text{spconvert}(\mathcal{A}, \text{vec})$ .

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{K} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{lu} := \text{splu\_decom}(\mathcal{K}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, [1 \ 2 \ 3] \right\}$$

$$\text{first lu} * \text{second lu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{convert}(\mathcal{K}, \text{third lu}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

spcholesky.

**16.62.6.26 spmake\_identity****Syntax:**

```
spmake_identity(square_size);
square_size :- a positive integer.
```

**Synopsis:**

spmake\_identity creates the identity matrix of dimension square\_size.

**Examples:**

$$\text{spmake\_identity}(4) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

spdiagonal.

**16.62.6.27 spmatrix\_augment, spmatrix\_stack****Syntax:**

```
spmatrix_augment({mat1, mat2, ..., matn});35
mat1, mat2, ..., matn :- matrices.
```

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<sup>35</sup>The {}'s can be omitted.

**Synopsis:**

`spmatrix_augment` joins the matrices in `matrix_list` together horizontally.

`spmatrix_stack` joins the matrices in `matrix_list` together vertically.

**Examples:**

$$\text{spmatrix\_augment}(\{\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 & 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spmatrix\_stack}(\{\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spaugment_columns`, `spstack_rows`, `spsub_matrix`.

**16.62.6.28 matrixp****Syntax:**

```
matrixp(test_input);
test_input :- anything you like.
```

**Synopsis:**

`matrixp` is a boolean function that returns `t` if the input is a matrix of type `sparse` or `matrix` and `nil` otherwise.

**Examples:**

```
matrixp(A) = t
matrixp(doodlesackbanana) = nil
```

**Related functions:**

`squarep`, `symmetricp`, `sparsematp`.

**16.62.6.29 spmatrix\_stack**

See: `spmatrix_augment`.

**16.62.6.30 spminor****Syntax:**

```
spminor( $\mathcal{A}$ , r, c);
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.  
r,c :- positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

spminor computes the (r,c)'th minor of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spminor}(\mathcal{A}, 1, 3) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

sremove\_columns, sremove\_rows.

**16.62.6.31 spmult\_columns, spmult\_rows****Syntax:**

```
spmult_columns( $\mathcal{A}$ , column_list, expr);
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.  
column\_list :- a positive integer or a list of positive integers.  
expr :- an algebraic expression.

**Synopsis:**

spmult\_columns returns a copy of  $\mathcal{A}$  in which the columns specified in column\_list have been multiplied by expr.

spmult\_rows performs the same task on the rows of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spmult\_columns}(\mathcal{A}, \{1,3\}, x) = \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 * x \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spmult\_rows}(\mathcal{A}, 2, 10) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 50 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

spadd\_to\_columns, spadd\_to\_rows.

**16.62.6.32 spmult\_rows**

See: `spmult_columns`.

**16.62.6.33 sppivot****Syntax:**

```
sppivot( $\mathcal{A}$ , r, c);
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.

r,c :- positive integers such that  $\mathcal{A}(r,c) \neq 0$ .

**Synopsis:**

`sppivot` pivots  $\mathcal{A}$  about it's (r,c)'th entry.

To do this, multiples of the r'th row are added to every other row in the matrix.

This means that the c'th column will be 0 except for the (r,c)'th entry.

**Related functions:**

`sprows_pivot`.

**16.62.6.34 sppseudo\_inverse****Syntax:**

```
sppseudo_inverse( $\mathcal{A}$ );
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix containing only real numeric entries.

**Synopsis:**

`sppseudo_inverse`, also known as the Moore-Penrose inverse, computes the pseudo inverse of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Given the singular value decomposition of  $\mathcal{A}$ , i.e:  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{U}\Sigma\mathcal{V}^T$ , then the pseudo inverse  $\mathcal{A}^\dagger$  is defined by  $\mathcal{A}^\dagger = \mathcal{V}\Sigma^\dagger\mathcal{U}^T$ . For the diagonal matrix  $\Sigma$ , the pseudoinverse  $\Sigma^\dagger$  is computed by taking the reciprocal of only the nonzero diagonal elements.

If  $\mathcal{A}$  is square and non-singular, then  $\mathcal{A}^\dagger = \mathcal{A}$ . In general, however,  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^\dagger\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}$ , and  $\mathcal{A}^\dagger\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^\dagger = \mathcal{A}^\dagger$ .

Perhaps more importantly,  $\mathcal{A}^\dagger$  solves the following least-squares problem: given a rectangular matrix  $\mathcal{A}$  and a vector  $b$ , find the  $x$  minimizing  $\|\mathcal{A}x - b\|_2$ , and which, in addition, has minimum  $\ell_2$  (euclidean) Norm,  $\|x\|_2$ . This  $x$  is  $\mathcal{A}^\dagger b$ .

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & 7 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{sppseudo\_inverse}(\mathcal{R}) = \begin{pmatrix} -0.26 & 0.11 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0.33 & 0 \\ 0.25 & -0.05 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

spsvd.

**16.62.6.35 spremove\_columns, spremove\_rows****Syntax:**

```
spremove_columns( $\mathcal{A}$ , column_list);
```

$\mathcal{A}$             :- a sparse matrix.

column\_list   :- either a positive integer or a list of positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

spremove\_columns removes the columns specified in column\_list from  $\mathcal{A}$ .

spremove\_rows performs the same task on the rows of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spremove\_columns}(\mathcal{A}, 2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{spremove\_rows}(\mathcal{A}, \{1, 3\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

spminor.

**16.62.6.36 spremove\_rows**

See: spremove\_columns.

**16.62.6.37 sprow\_dim**

See: `spcolumn_dim`.

**16.62.6.38 sprows\_pivot****Syntax:**

```
sprows_pivot( $\mathcal{A}$ , r, c, {row_list});
```

$\mathcal{A}$         :- a sparse matrix.  
r,c         :- positive integers such that  $\mathcal{A}(r,c) \neq 0$ .  
row\_list    :- positive integer or a list of positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

`sprows_pivot` performs the same task as `sppivot` but applies the pivot only to the rows specified in `row_list`.

**Related functions:**

`sppivot`.

**16.62.6.39 sparsematp****Syntax:**

```
sparsematp( $\mathcal{A}$ );
```

$\mathcal{A}$    :- a matrix.

**Synopsis:**

`sparsematp` is a boolean function that returns `t` if the matrix is declared sparse and `nil` otherwise.

**Examples:**

```
 $\mathcal{L} := \text{mat}((1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 6), (7, 8, 9));$   

sparsematp( $\mathcal{A}$ ) = t  

sparsematp( $\mathcal{L}$ ) = nil
```

**Related functions:**

`matrixp`, `symmetricp`, `squarep`.

**16.62.6.40 squarep****Syntax:**

```
squarep( $\mathcal{A}$ );
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a matrix.

**Synopsis:**

`squarep` is a boolean function that returns `t` if the matrix is square and `nil` otherwise.

**Examples:**

```
 $\mathcal{L} = (1\ 3\ 5)$ 
squarep( $\mathcal{A}$ ) = t
squarep( $\mathcal{L}$ ) = nil
```

**Related functions:**

`matrixp`, `symmetricp`, `sparsematp`.

**16.62.6.41 spstack\_rows**

See: `spaugment_columns`.

**16.62.6.42 spsub\_matrix****Syntax:**

```
spsub_matrix( $\mathcal{A}$ , row_list, column_list);
```

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.  
row\_list, column\_list :- either a positive integer or a list of positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

`spsub_matrix` produces the matrix consisting of the intersection of the rows specified in `row_list` and the columns specified in `column_list`.

**Examples:**

$$\text{spsub\_matrix}(\mathcal{A}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$



**Related functions:**

spaugment\_columns, spstack\_rows.

**16.62.6.43 spsvd (singular value decomposition)****Syntax:**

spsvd( $\mathcal{A}$ );

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix containing only real numeric entries.

**Synopsis:**

spsvd computes the singular value decomposition of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  real matrix of (column) rank  $r$ , svd returns the 3-element list  $\{U, \Sigma, V\}$  where  $\mathcal{A} = U\Sigma V^T$ .

Let  $k = \min(m, n)$ . Then  $U$  is  $m \times k$ ,  $V$  is  $n \times k$ , and  $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k)$ , where  $\sigma_i \geq 0$  are the singular values of  $\mathcal{A}$ ; only  $r$  of these are non-zero. The singular values are the non-negative square roots of the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{A}^T \mathcal{A}$ .

$U$  and  $V$  are such that  $UU^T = VV^T = V^T V = \mathcal{I}_k$ .

**Note:** there are a number of different definitions of SVD in the literature, in some of which  $\Sigma$  is square and  $U$  and  $V$  rectangular, as here, but in others  $U$  and  $V$  are square, and  $\Sigma$  is rectangular.

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{svd}(\mathcal{Q}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5.0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

**16.62.6.44 spswap\_columns, spswap\_rows****Syntax:**

spswap\_columns( $\mathcal{A}$ , c1, c2);

$\mathcal{A}$  :- a sparse matrix.

c1,c1 :- positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

`spswap_columns` swaps column `c1` of  $\mathcal{A}$  with column `c2`.

`spswap_rows` performs the same task on 2 rows of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spswap\_columns}(\mathcal{A}, 2, 3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spswap_entries`.

**16.62.6.45 `swap_entries`****Syntax:**

```
spswap_entries( $\mathcal{A}$ , {r1, c1}, {r2, c2});
```

$\mathcal{A}$            :- a sparse matrix.

r1,c1,r2,c2   :- positive integers.

**Synopsis:**

`spswap_entries` swaps  $\mathcal{A}(r1,c1)$  with  $\mathcal{A}(r2,c2)$ .

**Examples:**

$$\text{spswap\_entries}(\mathcal{A}, \{1, 1\}, \{3, 3\}) = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Related functions:**

`spswap_columns`, `spswap_rows`.

**16.62.6.46 `spswap_rows`**

See: `spswap_columns`.

**16.62.6.47 `symmetricp`****Syntax:**

```
symmetricp( $\mathcal{A}$ );
```

$\mathcal{A}$    :- a matrix.

**Synopsis:**

`symmetricp` is a boolean function that returns `t` if the matrix is symmetric and `nil` otherwise.

**Examples:**

$$\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

`symmetricp(A) = nil`

`symmetricp(M) = t`

**Related functions:**

`matrixp`, `squarep`, `sparsematp`.

**16.62.7 Fast Linear Algebra**

By turning the `fast_la` switch on, the speed of the following functions will be increased:

<code>spadd_columns</code>	<code>spadd_rows</code>	<code>spaugment_columns</code>	<code>spcol_dim</code>
<code>spcopy_into</code>	<code>spmake_identity</code>	<code>spmatrix_augment</code>	<code>spmatrix_stack</code>
<code>spminor</code>	<code>spmult_column</code>	<code>spmult_row</code>	<code>sppivot</code>
<code>spremove_columns</code>	<code>spremove_rows</code>	<code>sprows_pivot</code>	<code>squarep</code>
<code>spstack_rows</code>	<code>spsub_matrix</code>	<code>spswap_columns</code>	<code>spswap_entries</code>
<code>spswap_rows</code>	<code>symmetricp</code>		

The increase in speed will be insignificant unless you are making a significant number (i.e: thousands) of calls. When using this switch, error checking is minimised. This means that illegal input may give strange error messages. Beware.

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The `spgram_schmidt` code comes from Karin Gatermann's Symmetry package[4] for REDUCE.

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