

Matcat

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Matcat Overview

Intro and Evolution



Goals

- Convenient matrix **manipulation**
- Convenient matrix **operations**
- **Rich** matrix related built-in functions
- **Polymorphic operators** that work for primitive types and matrices



Language Properties

- Imperative
- **Statically** scoped
- **Strongly** Typed
- **Matrix** supports
 - Special data type
- C-like syntax



Matcat in One Slide

Declaring
function

```
func m(int ans) matrix {
    return [[ans, 0],[0, ans]];
}
```

Formal argument

Return statement

Our matrix data type 😎

Polymorphic
Operators 😎

Declaring
variables
as a
statement

```
func main() int {
    printStr("I can only show you the door.");
    int a = 657 + 64;
    while (true) {
        print(a);
        printm(inv( m(42) + m(42) ));
    }
}
```

Built-in functions

Calling user-defined function

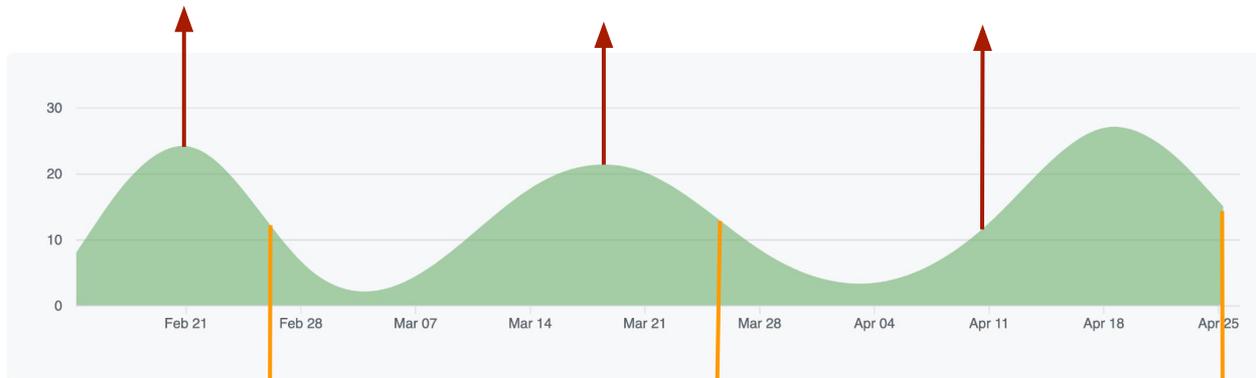


Timeline

Initializing Repo:
lots of renaming

Create ast, sast,
codegen based
on MicroC

Start working on:
`matrixLibrary.c`,
adding `Vdecl`



LRM/Parser

Hello World

Presentation



Language Evolution - The iterations

Zero



- Matrix
- Vector
- Matrix/Vector Operations
- String
- String concatenation: "a"+"b"
- Fancy ruby-like string interpolation: "#{num}"
- Structs
- Function that return Multiple Values



One



- Matrix
- Some Matrix Operations
- Variable declaration as statement

Current



- Matrix
- Many Matrix Operations
- Variable declaration as statement
- Fancy automated test-suite



Available Built-In Functions

- `inv(matrix mt) :: inverse of matrix`
- `isInv(matrix mt) :: checks if the matrix is invertible`
- `det(matrix mt) :: determinant of a matrix`
- `check_symmetry(matrix mt) :: checks if the matrix is symmetric`
- `rotate90(matrix mt) :: rotates the matrix in the clockwise direction`
- `transpose(matrix mt) :: transpose of a matrix`



Language Key Features

- Linear Algebra
- Matrix Operations
 - $+$, $-$, $*$, $/$, $^$
 - $[i, :]$, $[:, j]$, $[:, :]$, $[i, j]$
 - dot product

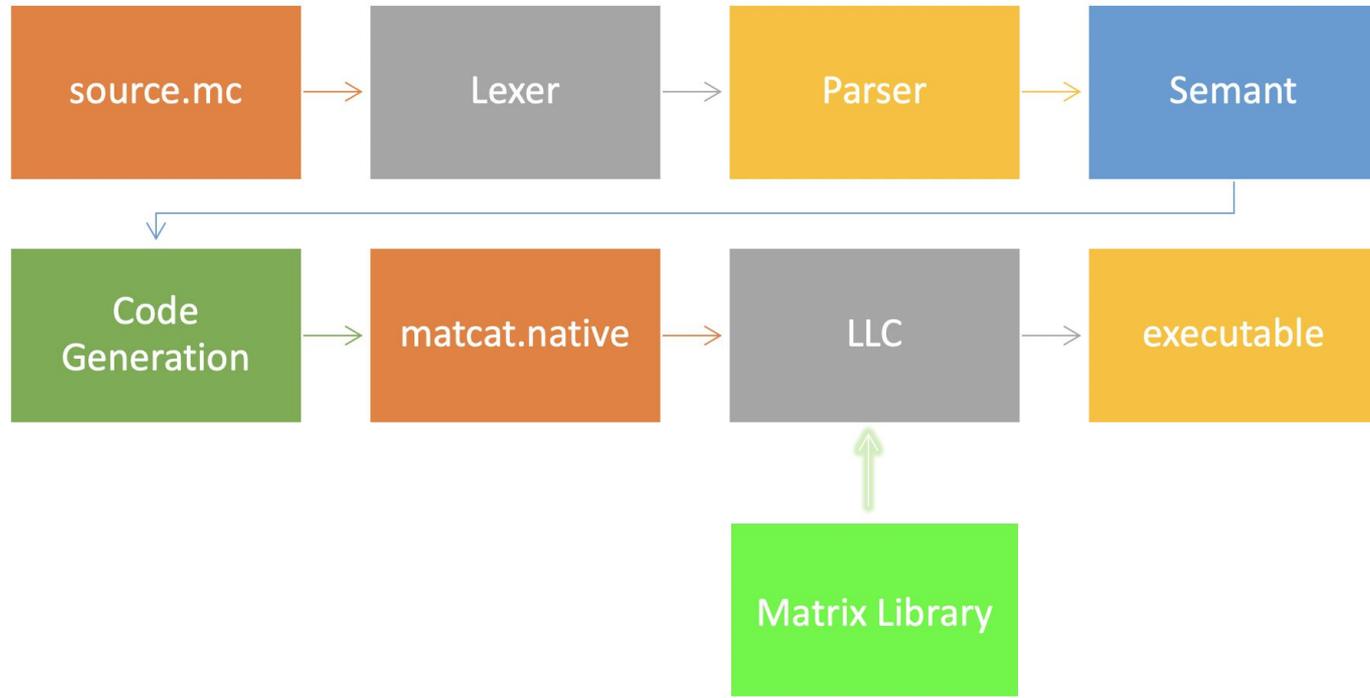


Compiler Architecture

The Structure...

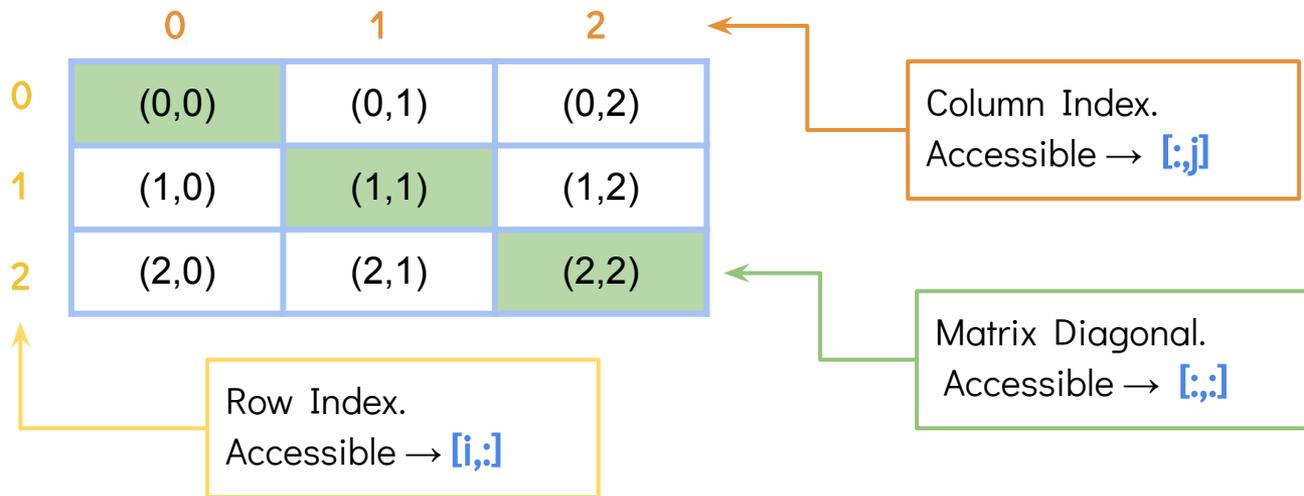


Compiler Architecture



Matrix Overview

- A new non-orthodox data type in Matcat;
- It does not require the user to define dimensions;
- numbers of columns and rows are accounted internally;
- Defined, implemented, and maintained in C using two-dimensional array.



Matrix Structure

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 6 & 8 & 9 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Scalar

Vector

Matrix



Syntax for Matrix

The operators and some snippets



Snippets: Dot Product

```
func main() int{  
    matrix a = [[1,2,3]];  
    matrix b = [[2,3,4]];  
    printf(a dot b);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Result: 20



Snippets: Matrix Multiplication

```
func main() int {  
    matrix a = [[1,2][4,5]];  
    printm(a * a);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Result:

```
(  
[9.00 12.00 ]  
[24.00 33.00 ]  
)
```



Snippets: Scalar * Matrix

```
func main() int {  
    matrix a;  
    a = [[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1]];  
    printm(4.2 * a);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Result:

```
(  
[4.20 0.00 0.00 ]  
[0.00 4.20 0.00 ]  
[0.00 0.00 4.20 ]  
)
```



Snippets: Matrix Inverse

```
func main() int {  
    matrix a;  
    a = [[1,0],[0,1]];  
    printm(inv(a));  
    return 0;  
}
```

Result:

```
(  
[1.00 -0.00 ]  
[-0.00 1.00 ]  
)
```



Demo

Sample programs



Wrap up

Future work, challenges and
lessons learnt



Future Work

- Accept any types in the matrix
- Make it works like a interpreter
- Better semantic checking
- Allowing library import
 - `#include<cmath>`
- More built-in data types
 - `String, List, Tuple`
- `Struct/Class`
- Integrate the automated testsuite on GitHub



Challenges

- Learning Ocaml
- Learning LLVM
- Learning Git
- Timezone 🐱
- A bit lost after the Hello World
- “Personnel changes”
 - Teammate and TA are changed



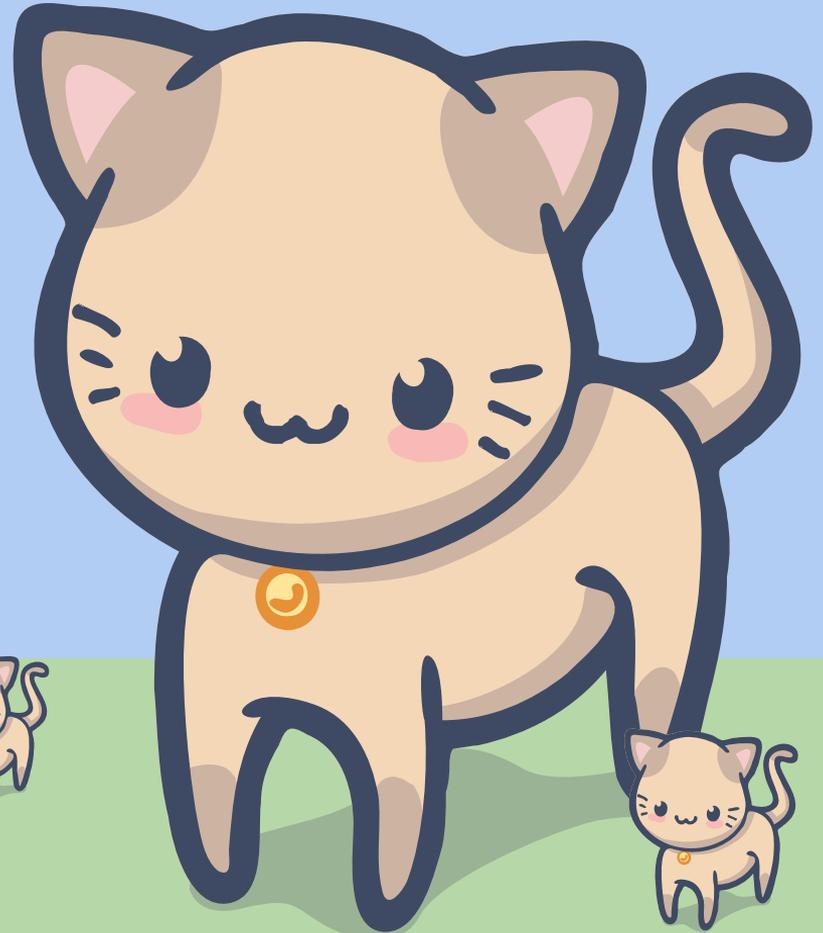
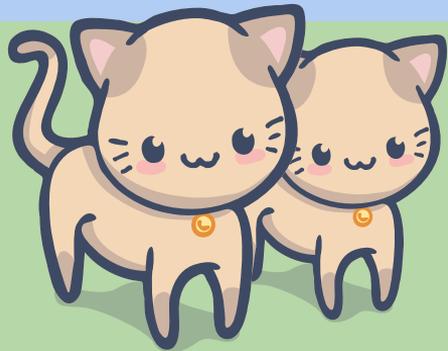
Lessons Learnt

- Functional Programming
- Compiler
- Collaboration
- Linear Algebra



Thanks!

Any questions?



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Extra Screenshots

From the code to the test-suite



```
test-matrixMult.mc... PASSED
test-scalarDivDouble.mc... PASSED
test-addFloats.mc... PASSED
test-matrixAccess2D.mc... PASSED
test-scaleMatrixDouble.mc... PASSED
test-for2.mc... PASSED
test-ifelse1.mc... PASSED
test-matrixAccess1D.mc... PASSED
test-addMatrix.mc... PASSED
test-matrixMult1.mc... PASSED
fail-assign2.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-funcInLoop.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-multipleTypes.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-for4.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-ifelse2.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-for5.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-ifelse3.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-assign3.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-emptyMatrixDeclare.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-for1.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-funcInFunc.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-while1.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-binop-floats-ints.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-call-nonfunc.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-nestedMatrix.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-illegalVarName.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-helloworld1.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-returnTypeMismatch.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-topLevelReturn.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-for2.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-assign1.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-for3.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-ifWithoutExpr.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
fail-ifelse1.mc... PASSED. Failed at semantic checking.
```

```
Test summary:
Passed: 74/74
Failed: 0/74
Skipped: 1
```



```
> py testall.py --dir future_improvements
test-transposeMatrix.mc... FAILED. Output does not match.
    Expected: b'(\n[1.00 4.00 ]\n[2.00 5.00 ]\n[3.00 6.00 ]\n)'
    Actual:   b'(\n[0.00 0.00 ]\n[2.00 5.00 ]\n[3.00 6.00 ]\n)'
test-assignMatrixTypes.mc... FAILED
fail-noReturn.mc... FAILED, it should not compile.
fail-badMatrixIndex.mc... FAILED, it should not compile.
```

Test summary:

Passed: 0/4

Failed: 4/4

