

Matrix Coefficient Algebra for Interdependent Context Requirements

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Main Idea

- Program requirements may depend on each other.
- Matrices naturally represent such dependencies.
- We propose Matrix Coeffect Algebra for structural coeffect calculus.

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- ② Solution: How do matrices represent interdependent requirements?
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Coeffects: The Dual of Effects

- Effect System: Tracking **how a program affects** the outside world

$$\langle x : \tau \rangle \vdash \text{print } x : \text{unit} \ \& \ \{\text{console}\}$$

- Coeffect System: Tracking **how the context affects** a program

$$\langle x : \tau \rangle @ \langle 3 \rangle \vdash x + x + x : \tau$$

Coeffects let us track context requirements using a type system.

Structural Coeffect Calculus (Petricek et al., 2014)

Annotating programs with **per-variable** context requirements tracked by types (i.e., coeffects):

- Free-variable occurrence counts

$$\langle x : \tau, y : \tau \rangle @ \langle \overset{x}{\square} 3, \overset{y}{\square} 2 \rangle \vdash (x + x + x) + (y + y) : \tau$$

- Past-value requirements in dataflow languages (caching depth)

$$\langle x : \tau, y : \tau \rangle @ \langle \overset{x}{\square} 2, \overset{y}{\square} 1 \rangle \vdash \text{prev}(\text{prev } x) + \text{prev } y : \tau$$

Multiple Coeffects

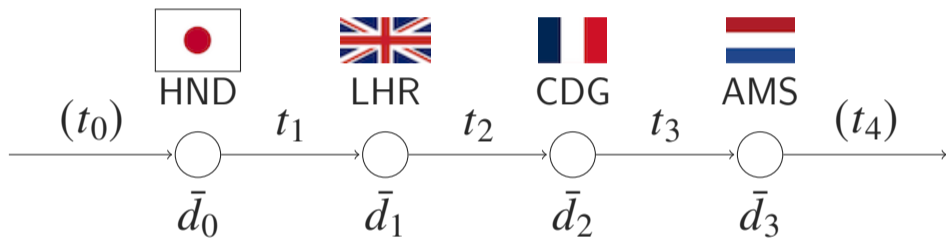
Petricek's framework can handle multiple coeffects, but only when they are **independent**.

$$\langle x : \tau, y : \tau \rangle @ \langle \overbrace{\langle 1, 2 \rangle}^x, \overbrace{\langle 3, 0 \rangle}^y \rangle \vdash \text{prev}(\text{prev } x) + (y + y + y) : \tau$$

The occurrence-count coeffect and the caching-depth coeffect are independent of each other.

However, scalar and (componentwise) vector annotations do not naturally express **interdependent** coeffects.

Motivating Example: Flight Timetables (1)



t_i : the duration of the i -th leg

\bar{d}_i : the scheduled departure time in the published timetable
(a lower bound on departure time)

Motivating Example: Flight Timetables (2)

A traveler cannot depart from airport i before

- the scheduled departure time \bar{d}_i
- the arrival time from the previous leg $d_{i-1} + t_i$

So the earliest feasible departure time is

$$d_i = \max(\bar{d}_i, d_{i-1} + t_i)$$

- If $\bar{d}_i \geq d_{i-1} + t_i$, then $d_i = \bar{d}_i$
- If $\bar{d}_i < d_{i-1} + t_i$, then $d_i = d_{i-1} + t_i$

Motivating Example: Flight Timetables (3)

- In this domain, the *duration* t_i and the *scheduled time* \bar{d}_i are intertwined and propagate across legs.
- Their contributions mix through \max and $+$, updating d_i .



Travel times t_i and scheduled times \bar{d}_i are **interdependent**.

Key Idea: Mixing Requirements with Matrices

- Composing legs mixes the contributions of \bar{d}_i and t_i (via max and +).
- We need a composition operator that mixes components (not component-wise).
- **Matrices** naturally combines and propagates requirements.
- Contributions:
 - Define the **Matrix Coeffect Algebra (MCA)**
 - Instantiate Petricek's structural coeffect calculus using MCA
 - Prove type safety via a type-preserving translation

- ① Problem: Why are scalar/componentwise coefficients not enough?
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Matrix Coeffect Algebra (1)

Definition 1 (Matrix Coeffect Algebra)

A *matrix coeffect algebra* $(C, \otimes, \oplus, \text{use}, \text{ign}, \leq)$ is defined by:

- C is the set of $n \times n$ matrices over a fixed underlying domain
- (C, \otimes, use) is a **monoid**
- (C, \oplus, ign) is a **monoid**
- (C, \leq) is a **preorder** (reflexivity and transitivity)

In addition, the following **distributivity** axioms hold:

$$(R \oplus S) \otimes T = (R \otimes T) \oplus (S \otimes T)$$

$$T \otimes (R \oplus S) = (T \otimes R) \oplus (T \otimes S)$$

Matrix Coeffect Algebra (2)

Roles of the operators:

- \otimes : **Propagation** of requirements
- \oplus : (Pointwise) **join** of requirements
- \leq : **Subcoeffecting** (a preorder)

MCA-Parametric Structural Coeffect Calculus (1)

Syntax: $e ::= x \mid n \mid \lambda x:\tau.e \mid e_1 e_2 \mid \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2$

Types: $\tau ::= \text{num} \mid \tau_1 \xrightarrow{s} \tau_2$ (where s is a coeffect annotation)

The operations and constants of MCA correspond to typing and structural rules as follows:

\otimes : (APP, LET)

\oplus : (CONTR)

use : (VAR)

ign : (WEAK)

\leq : (SUB)

MCA-Parametric Structural Coeffect Calculus (2)

- Typing derivations track coeffects in a compositional way (as MCA elements, i.e., matrices).
- We retain the rules of structural coeffect calculus but replace scalar/vector annotations with MCA elements (matrices).

MCA-Parametric Structural Coeffect Calculus (3)

Typing Rules:

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Mini Demo: Occurrence-Count Instance

Instance: use = 1, ign = 0, $\otimes = \times$, $\oplus = +$

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Timetable Matrices: A Concrete Example (1)

Definition 2 (Timetable Matrix)

The *timetable matrix* is defined by:

Basic domain : $\hat{\mathbb{N}} := \mathbb{N}_0 \cup \{-\infty\}$

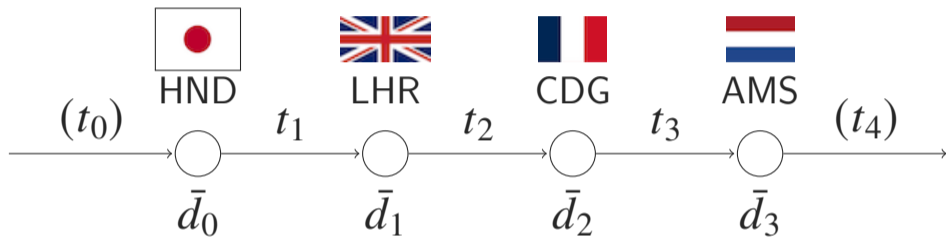
Entry operations : $a \sqcup b := \max(a, b)$, $a \sqcap b := a + b$

Matrix constants : $\text{ign} = \begin{bmatrix} -\infty & -\infty \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\text{use} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\infty \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Matrix operations : $(A \oplus B)_{ij} := A_{ij} \sqcup B_{ij}$, $(A \otimes B)_{ij} := \sqcup_k (A_{ik} \sqcap B_{kj})$

Ordinary matrix operations, but with $+$ replaced by \sqcup and \times replaced by \sqcap .

Timetable Matrices: A Concrete Example (2)



Each leg i is represented by the following matrix:

$$R_i = \begin{bmatrix} t_i & \bar{d}_i \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Timetable Matrices: A Concrete Example (3)

Example: composing two consecutive leg matrices

$$R_1 \circledast R_0 = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 & \bar{d}_1 \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} \circledast \begin{bmatrix} t_0 & \bar{d}_0 \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 + t_0 & \boxed{\max(t_1 + \bar{d}_0, \bar{d}_1)} \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_1 &= \max(t_1 + d_0, \bar{d}_1) \\ &= \boxed{\max(t_1 + \bar{d}_0, \bar{d}_1)} = (R_1 \circledast R_0)_{12} \quad (\text{base case: } d_0 = \bar{d}_0) \end{aligned}$$

The (1,2)-Entry Gives d_i

$$(R_i \circledast \cdots \circledast R_0)_{12} = d_i$$

The Timetable Language

To represent flight itinerary problems, the MCA-parametric structural coeffect calculus needs the following additional syntax and type rule:

Syntax: $e ::= \dots \mid \text{leg } R e$

Typing Rule:
$$\frac{\Gamma @ \mathbf{s} \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma @ R \circledast \mathbf{s} \vdash \text{leg } R e : \tau} \text{ (LEG)}$$

$\text{leg } R e$ represents the itinerary obtained by adding the leg represented by timetable matrix R to itinerary e .

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TLMC: Target Language for Matrix Coeffects

Source Language (MCA-parametric structural coeffect calculus)

free variables with matrix coeffect annotations

⇓ **Translation**

TLMC (Target Language for Matrix Coeffects)

values of **indexed comonadic** types

Type Safety

Theorem 1 (Well-typedness of the translation)

If a closed source-language judgment is translated into a TLMC term f , then f is well-typed in TLMC.

Theorem 4 (Type Safety of TLMC)

If $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ and $e \rightsquigarrow^ e'$, then:*

- 1 $\Gamma \vdash e' : \tau$
- 2 either e' is a value, or there exists e'' such that $e' \rightsquigarrow e''$

By the standard preservation and progress theorems for TLMC

Limitations and Future Work

- Higher-dimensional generalizations of MCA ($(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$ matrices)
- Other application domains
- Practical implementations
 - type inference
 - type checking
 - systematic methods for designing domain-specific MCAs
 - integration as an extension of an existing effect-aware language (e.g., Granule)

Conclusion

- **Interdependent** requirements require not only “pointwise” combination, but also “**composition**”.
- **Matrices** can naturally represent requirement composition.
- Structural coefficient calculus with **MCA** can represent requirement composition naturally.

Can We Use Vectors Instead?

By defining a special **non-componentwise operation**, timetable matrices can also be encoded as vectors:

$$r_1 \hat{\circledast} r_0 = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \\ \bar{d}_1 \end{bmatrix} \hat{\circledast} \begin{bmatrix} t_0 \\ \bar{d}_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 + t_0 \\ \max(t_1 + \bar{d}_0, \bar{d}_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

However, it is no longer an ordinary vector operation; it is essentially a matrix-style transformation encoded ad hoc.

Why the $(1, 2)$ -Entry Gives d_i (1)

(p.19)

Let

$$M_i = R_i \otimes \cdots \otimes R_0 \quad (i \geq 1)$$

We prove by induction that

$$(M_i)_{12} = d_i$$

Base case:

$$(R_0)_{12} = \bar{d}_0 = d_0.$$

Inductive step: Assume $(M_i)_{12} = d_i$ and $(M_i)_{22} = 0$

Why the (1, 2)-Entry Gives d_i (2)

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}(M_{i+1})_{12} &= (R_{i+1} \circledast M_i)_{12} \\ &= \max((R_{i+1})_{11} + (M_i)_{12}, (R_{i+1})_{12} + (M_i)_{22}) \\ &= \max(t_{i+1} + d_i, \bar{d}_{i+1}) \\ &= d_{i+1}\end{aligned}$$

Key point: \bar{d}_i is placed in the (1, 2)-entry so that matrix composition reproduces the timetable recurrence

Why Are use and ign Defined This Way?

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} t & \bar{d} \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix}:$$

$$A \oplus \text{ign} = \begin{bmatrix} t & \bar{d} \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} \oplus \begin{bmatrix} -\infty & -\infty \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \max(t, -\infty) & \max(\bar{d}, -\infty) \\ \max(-\infty, -\infty) & \max(0, 0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t & \bar{d} \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \otimes \text{use} &= \begin{bmatrix} t & \bar{d} \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\infty \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \max(t + 0, \bar{d} + (-\infty)) & \max(t + (-\infty), \bar{d} + 0) \\ \max(-\infty + 0, 0 + (-\infty)) & \max(-\infty + (-\infty), 0 + 0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t & \bar{d} \\ -\infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $\text{ign} \oplus A = A$, $\text{use} \otimes A = A$

Full Typing/Structural Rules

Typing Rules:

$$\frac{}{x : \tau @ \langle \text{use} \rangle \vdash x : \tau} \text{(VAR)}$$

$$\frac{}{\langle \rangle @ \langle \rangle \vdash n : \text{num}} \text{(CONST)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 @ \mathbf{p} \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \xrightarrow{s} \tau_2 \quad \Gamma_2 @ \mathbf{q} \vdash e_2 : \tau_2}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 @ \mathbf{p} \# (\mathbf{s} \otimes \mathbf{q}) \vdash e_1 e_2 : \tau_2} \text{(APP)}$$

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$$\frac{\Gamma_1 @ \mathbf{p} \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \quad \Gamma_2, x : \tau @ \mathbf{q} \# \langle \mathbf{s} \rangle \vdash e_2 : \tau_2}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 @ (\mathbf{s} \otimes \mathbf{p}) \# \mathbf{q} \vdash \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 : \tau_2} \text{(LET)}$$

Structural Rules:

$$\frac{\Gamma @ \mathbf{r} \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma, x : \tau @ \mathbf{r} \# \langle \text{ign} \rangle \vdash e : \tau} \text{(WEAK)} \quad (x \notin \Gamma)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma @ \mathbf{p} \# \langle \mathbf{s}' \rangle \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma @ \mathbf{p} \# \langle \mathbf{s} \rangle \vdash e : \tau} \text{(SUB)} \quad (\mathbf{s}' \leq \mathbf{s})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, y : \tau_1, z : \tau_1, \Gamma_2 @ \mathbf{p} \# \langle \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t} \rangle \# \mathbf{q} \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma_1, x : \tau_1, \Gamma_2 @ \mathbf{q} \# \langle \mathbf{s} \oplus \mathbf{t} \rangle \# \mathbf{q} \vdash e[z, y \leftarrow x] : \tau} \text{(CONTR)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, x : \tau_1, y : \tau_2, \Gamma_2 @ \mathbf{p} \# \langle \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t} \rangle \# \mathbf{q} \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma_1, y : \tau_2, x : \tau_1, \Gamma_2 @ \mathbf{q} \# \langle \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{s} \rangle \# \mathbf{q} \vdash e : \tau} \text{(EXCH)} \quad \text{(This is standard)}$$

Type Safety (Extended Version) (1)

Theorem 1 (Well-typedness of the translation)

If the closed source-language judgment $\langle \rangle @ \langle \rangle \vdash e : \tau$ is translated into a TLMC term f , then f is well-typed: $\vdash f : \llbracket \langle \rangle @ \langle \rangle \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \tau \rrbracket$

By induction on the derivation of the translation.

Theorem 2 (Type Preservation of TLMC)

If $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ and $e \rightsquigarrow e'$ then $\Gamma \vdash e' : \tau$

By induction over the reduction $e \rightsquigarrow e'$ of TLMC.

Type Safety (Extended Version) (2)

Theorem 3 (Progress of TLMC)

If $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$, then either e is a value, or there exists e' such that $e \rightsquigarrow e'$

By induction on the typing derivation of $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$.

Theorem 4 (Type Safety of TLMC)

If $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ and $e \rightsquigarrow^ e'$, then:*

1. $\Gamma \vdash e' : \tau$
2. *either e' is a value, or there exists e'' such that $e' \rightsquigarrow e''$*

1. By induction over the reduction $e \rightsquigarrow e'$ of TLMC.
2. By induction on the typing derivation of $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$.

TLMC: Target Language for Matrix Coeffects (1)

- TLMC is an extended typed lambda calculus
- Coeffect-annotated values are represented as values of **indexed comonadic** types
 - Each source variable is translated into a value paired with its matrix annotation

$$\langle x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n \rangle @ \langle R_1, \dots, R_n \rangle$$

↓

$$\text{Mc}\langle (R_1, v_1), \dots, (R_n, v_n) \rangle : C^{\langle R_1, \dots, R_n \rangle} (\llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \times \dots \times \llbracket \tau_n \rrbracket)$$

Mc is an indexed comonadic constructor

TLMC: Target Language for Matrix Coeffects (2)

TLMC consists of the following:

Functional Constructs : ordinary constructs of functional languages (e.g., integers, tuples, lambda abstraction and application, ...)

Comonadic Operations : operations for **indexed comonads** (e.g., counit, cobind, merge, ...)

Domain-Specific Operations : operations corresponding to domain-specific operations in the **source language**, i.e., the MCA-parametric structural coeffect calculus (e.g., leg)

TLMC is introduced to give a translational semantics and prove type safety via translation rules

Translation: Source Language \rightarrow TLMC (1)

The translation rules map source-language terms to TLMC terms

Example: Translation Rule for Abstraction

The following rule shows that if $\llbracket \Gamma, x : \tau_1 @ \mathbf{r} \# \langle s \rangle \vdash e : \tau_2 \rrbracket = f$, then the judgment $\Gamma @ \mathbf{r} \vdash \lambda x : \tau_1. e : \tau_1 \xrightarrow{s} \tau_2$ is translated into the following TLMC term:

$$\frac{\llbracket \Gamma, x : \tau_1 @ \mathbf{r} \# \langle s \rangle \vdash e : \tau_2 \rrbracket = f}{\llbracket \Gamma @ \mathbf{r} \vdash \lambda x : \tau_1. e : \tau_1 \xrightarrow{s} \tau_2 \rrbracket = \lambda \rho. \lambda \nu. f(\text{merge}_{\mathbf{r}, \langle s \rangle}(\rho, \nu))}$$

Translation: Source Language \rightarrow TLMC (2)

Example: Translation Rule for Leg

The following rule shows that if $\llbracket \Gamma @ \mathbf{s} \vdash e : \tau \rrbracket = f$, then the judgment $\Gamma @ R \circledast \mathbf{s} \vdash \text{leg } R e : \tau$ is translated into the following TLMC term:

$$\frac{\llbracket \Gamma @ \mathbf{s} \vdash e : \tau \rrbracket = f}{\llbracket \Gamma @ R \circledast \mathbf{s} \vdash \text{leg } R e : \tau \rrbracket = \lambda \rho. f(\text{peel}_{R, \mathbf{s}} \rho)}$$

Contributions

- Matrix Coeffect Algebra
- Instantiation of structural coeffect calculus with MCA
- Extended target language, translational semantics, and type safety
- Timetable case study

Motivating Example: Flight Timetables (2)

A traveler cannot depart from airport i before

- the scheduled departure time \bar{d}_i
- the arrival time from the previous leg $d_{i-1} + t_i$

So the earliest feasible departure time is

$$d_i = \max(\bar{d}_i, d_{i-1} + t_i)$$

Equivalently:

- If $\bar{d}_i \geq d_{i-1} + t_i$, then $d_i = \bar{d}_i$
(the traveler arrives early enough; the scheduled time determines the departure)
- If $\bar{d}_i < d_{i-1} + t_i$, then $d_i = d_{i-1} + t_i$
(the traveler arrives late; the arrival time from the previous leg determines the departure)