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# Array Notation and Language Vision



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# APL Array Notation

Language Visits and  
APLAN

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# APLAN: Why?

- ◆ Avoiding complex expressions when constructing arrays  
Might not fit comfortably on a single line
- ◆ Using array definitions with source code management  
These tend to handle changes on a line-by-line basis
- ◆ Arrays in text form  
Edit with any editor, email, transfer, create with 3<sup>rd</sup> party tools...



# APLAN: What?

- ◆ Medium sized arrays  
Empty and trivial arrays are better done as expressions
- ◆ Higher rank arrays  
We have good notations for vectors and small vectors of vectors
- ◆ Depth deeper than 2

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# APLAN and Link

```
]Link.Create # C:\tmp\myproj\src  
Linked: # ↔ C:\tmp\myproj\src [directory was created]
```

```
□←var←1 2 3
```

1	1	1	2	1	3
2	1	2	2	2	3

```
]add var  
Added: #.var  
  
]view >HTTP'C:\tmp\myproj\src\var.apla'
```



# APLAN and Link

```
]Link.Create # C:\tmp\n  
Linked: # ↔ C:\tmp\myproj\s
```

```
□←var←i2 3
```

1	1	1	2	1	3
2	1	2	2	2	3

```
]add var  
Added: #.var
```

```
]view ↳NGET'C:\tmp\mypr
```

The screenshot shows a software window titled "DSE.Link.[Namespace].output (T...)" with a menu bar including File, Edit, Syntax, Refactor, and View. A search bar is at the top. The main area displays APL code and its execution results. The code is:

```
[  
(  
  1 1  
  1 2  
  1 3  
)  
(  
  2 1  
  2 2  
  2 3  
)  
]
```

The results show the execution of the code, resulting in a "Readonly Character Vector".



# APL/N arrays of rank 2 and up

Multi-line

```
[1 2  
3 4  
5 6]
```

↔

```
[1 2 ⋆ 3 4 ⋆ 5 6]
```

↔

Expression

```
3 2p1 2 3 4 5 6
```

```
[1  
2  
3]
```

↔

```
[1 ⋆ 2 ⋆ 3]
```

↔

```
3 1p1 2 3
```



# APL.NET vectors & nested arrays

Multi-line

```
( 1 2  
 3 4  
 5 6 )
```

$\Leftrightarrow$

```
( 1 2 ⋆ 3 4 ⋆ 5 6 )
```

$\Leftrightarrow$

Expression

```
( 1 2 )( 3 4 )( 5 6 )
```

```
( 1  
 2  
 3 )
```

$\Leftrightarrow$

```
( 1 ⋆ 2 ⋆ 3 )
```

$\Leftrightarrow$

```
1 2 3
```



# APLAN namespaces

Multi-line

```
(  
  a: 'APL'  
  b: ,⍳1 2  
)
```

Inline

```
( a: 'APL' ⋄ b: ,⍳1 2)
```

Expression

```
{  
  α←◻NSθ  
  α.a←'APL'  
  α.b←{  
    ,⍳1 2  
  }θ  
  α  
}θ
```

(  
)

↔

( )

↔

◻NSθ



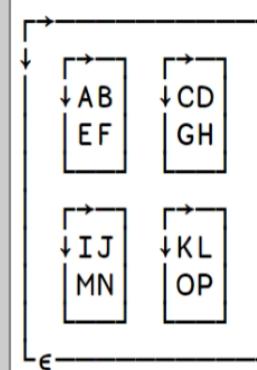
# APLAN sandbox: *is.gd/APLAN*

#

## APL Array Notation sandbox

Example:  ▾Specification: [PDF](#), [HTML](#) • [Limitations](#)

```
{<w>}@[2 2  
      2 2] ← 4 4p A
```



# APLAN in dfns.dws: cal

```
Q1←'January' 'February' 'March'      '~~' ' '
      A 1st quarter month names.

Q2←'April'   'May'       'June'       '~~' ' '
      A 2nd        ..          ..          ..

Q3←'July'    'August'    'September' '~~' ' '
      A 3rd        ..          ..          ..

Q4←'October' 'November' 'December'  '~~' ' '
      A 4th        ..          ..          ..

months←Q1 ,Q2 ,Q3 ,Q4
      A month names for year.
```



# APLAN in dfns.dws: cal

```
months←(  
    'January'♦'February'♦'March'  
    'April'    ♦'May'      ♦'June'  
    'July'     ♦'August'   ♦'September'  
    'October'  ♦'November'♦'December'  
)
```

A month names for year.

A 1st quarter month names.

A 2nd .. .. ..

A 3rd .. .. ..

A 4th .. .. ..



# APLAN in math.dws: Eigen

```
phi{ω, c' <C1      ' 'V'}{                      A JOBZ
  ω, c' <C1      ' 'L'}{                      A UPLO
  ω, c' <I4      'n} {                      A N
  ω, c' =F8[] '(ε<mat){                      A A
  ω, c' <I4      'n} {                      A LDA
  ω, c' >F8[] 'n} {                      A W
  ω, c' >F8[] '(-2+4×n){                  A WORK
  ω, c' <I4      '(-1+2×n){                  A LWORK
  ω, c' >F8[] '(-2+3×n){                  A RWORK
  ω, c' >I4      '0}θ                      A INFO
```



# APLAN in math.dws: Eigen

```
( ' <C1 ' 'V'           A JOBZ
  ' <C1 ' 'L'           A UPLO
  ' <I4 ' n              A N
  ' =F8[] '(εmat)      A A
  ' <I4 ' n              A LDA
  ' >F8[] 'n             A W
  ' >F8[] '(-2+4×n)     A WORK
  ' <I4 ' (-1+2×n)      A LWORK
  ' >F8[] '(-2+3×n)     A RWORK
  ' >I4 ' 0               A INFO
```



# APLAN in Profile ucmd: DBMenuCB

```
poss←1 2⍪'fns'((0 1)(0.7 0)(0.7 0)×size)
poss,←'fnd'((0 1)(0 0)(0 0)×size)
poss,←'lines'((0 0)(0.7 0)(0.7 0)×size)
poss,←'lnd'((0 0)(0 0)(0 0)×size)
```

# APLAN in Profile ucmd: DBMenuCB

```
poss←[ 'fns'  ((0.0 1 ⋆ 0.7 0 ⋆ 0.7 0)×size)
      'fn̄'   ((0.0 1 ⋆ 0.0 0 ⋆ 0.0 0)×size)
      'lines'((0.0 0 ⋆ 0.7 0 ⋆ 0.7 0)×size)
      'l̄ns'  ((0.0 0 ⋆ 0.0 0 ⋆ 0.0 0)×size)]
```

# APLAN in Link: DefaultOpts\*

```
(  
  codeExtensions: ('aplf'  
                  'aplo'  
                  'apln'  
                  'aplc' )  
  flatten: 0  
  source: 'dir'  
  typeExtensions: [ 2   'apla'  
                  3   'aplf'  
                  4   'aplo'  
                  9.1 'apln'  
                  9.4 'aplc'  
                  9.5 'apli' ]  
  watch: 'ns'  
)
```

\* Abbreviated slightly.





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# Array Notation and Language Vision

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Idea  
▼  
Design  
▼  
Models  
▼  
I-beams  
▼  
Editing  
▼  
Native  
▼  
Tracing





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# Array Notation and Language Vision System Functions

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# Setting & Getting Variable Values

□NS Name Set\*

□NG Name Get

□NV Name–Values

\* Consistent extension of existing □NS



# Setting & Getting Variable Values

```
myInstance ← NS('name1' val1)('name2' val2)
```

```
(data header)← CSV(LOPT'Invert' 2) path ⍷ 4 1  
table← NS (↑header) data  
table.age      ⍝ one of the columns is "age"
```



# Setting & Getting Variable Values

```
      jsondata
[{"first":"Kelju","mid":"K.","last":"Kojootti"},  
 {"first":"Mikki","last":"Hiiri"}]
      persons←0 ⌈JSON jsondata
      (⌷persons).mid
K.
      persons.mid
VALUE ERROR: Undefined name: mid
      persons.mid
      ^
```



# Setting & Getting Variable Values

```
jsondata
[{"first":"Kelju","mid":"K.","last":"Kojootti"},  
 {"first":"Mikki","last":"Hiiri"}]  
persons←0 ⌈JSON jsondata  
(⌞persons⌞).mid  
K.  
persons ⌈NG ⌞'mid' ⌞'
```



# Setting & Getting Variable Values

```
:If 900I0 ◊ leftArg←42 ◊ :EndIf
```

```
leftArg←◻NG←'leftArg' 42
```

```
:Trap (◻NG←'DEBUG' 0)↓0
```

```
:Trap ◻NG←'TRAP' 0
```

effective ← specified ◻NG defaults

effective ← ◻NG/settings



# Setting & Getting Variable Values

```
:If 900⊤0 ◊ leftArg←42 ◊ :EndIf
```

```
leftArg←◻NG←'leftArg' 42
```

```
:Trap (◻NG←'DEBUG' 0)↓0
```

```
:Trap ◻NG←'TRAP' 0
```

effective ← specified ◻NG defaults

effective ← ◻NG/settings



# Setting & Getting Variable Values

```
(header data)←namespace ⌈NV 2  
data (↓header) ⌈CSV path  
↑⌈DMX ⌈NV ⍵2
```

Category	General
DM	DOMAIN ERROR ⌈0 ⌈^
EM	DOMAIN ERROR
EN	11





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# Array Notation and Language Vision **Primitives**

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# Function Application

Depth

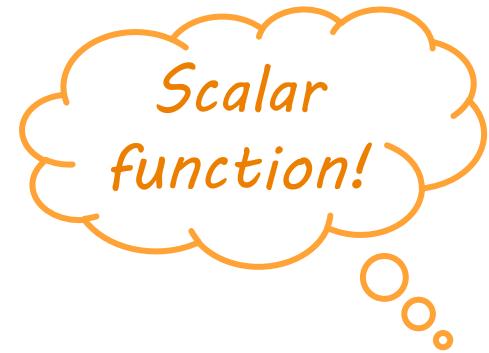
f ö k



# Function Application

```
F p←!  
Fp 4 (5 6)
```

24	120	720
----	-----	-----



# Function Application

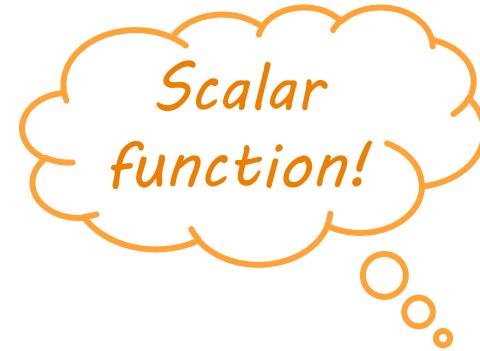
```
Fd←{×/⍳⍵}  
Fd 4 (5 6)
```

DOMAIN ERROR

```
Fd[0] Fd←{×/⍳⍵}
```

```
      ^  
Fs←{×/⍳⍵}¨0  
Fs 4 (5 6)
```

24	120	720
----	-----	-----



# Function Application

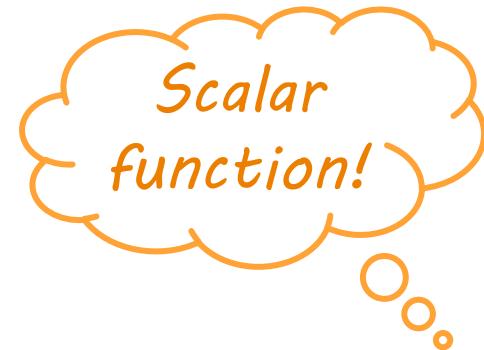
```
Fd←{×/⍳⍵}  
Fd 4 (5 6)
```

DOMAIN ERROR

```
Fd[0] Fd←{×/⍳⍵}
```

```
      ^  
Fs←{×/⍳⍵}¨0  
Fs 4 (5 6)
```

24	120	720
----	-----	-----



# Function Application

(φö1) 'FinnAPL' ('APL' 'yhdistyksen')



(φö2) 'FinnAPL' ('APL' 'yhdistyksen')



# Function Application

(φö⁻²) 'FinnAPL' ('APL' 'yhdistyksen')



(φ⁺⁺⁺) 'FinnAPL' ('APL' 'yhdistyksen')



# Data Transformation

Select

$X \supseteq Y$



# Data Transformation

## $X \sqsupseteq Y$ Select/Permute

- ◆ Sort       $\leftarrow \{(\Delta\omega) \sqsupseteq \omega\}$
- ◆ Sorts      $\leftarrow \{(\Delta\alpha) \sqsupseteq \omega\}$       ↗ "sort Y by X"
- ◆ Shuffle     $\leftarrow \{(\text{?} \ddot{\sim} \neq \omega) \sqsupseteq \omega\}$
- ◆ Grade      $\leftarrow \{(\text{bounds} \sqsubseteq \omega) \sqsupseteq \text{grades}\}$



# Data Transformation

$\Box \leftarrow t \leftarrow 3 \ 8 p \Box A$



$t[(1\ 8)(2\ 7)]$

HO

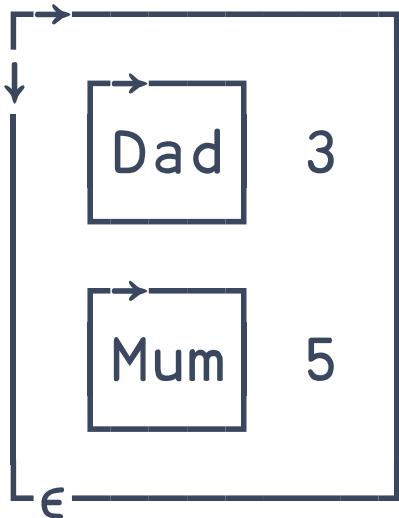
$(1\ 8)(2\ 7) \sqsupseteq t$

HO



# Data Transformation

$\Box \leftarrow s \leftarrow 2 \ 2 \rho 'Dad' 3 'Mum' 5$



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ma

$s[((2\ 1)3)((1\ 1)2)]$

$((2\ 1)3)((1\ 1)2) \sqsupseteq s$



# Function Composition

Behind

f o g

# Function Composition

Behind

$f \circ g$

$X ( f \circ g ) Y$



# Function Composition

Behind

$f \circ g$

$X ( f ) g Y$



# Function Composition

Behind

$$\begin{array}{c} (f \ X)g \ Y \\ f \circ g \end{array}$$

f o g

( f   X )g   Y

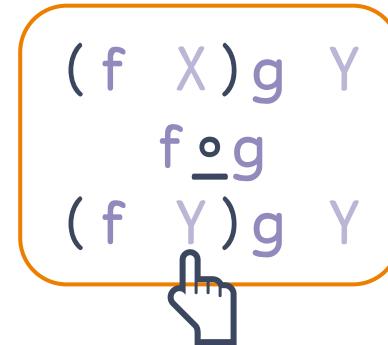


# Function Composition

Behind

f o g

( f X ) g Y



# Data Transformation

$X \sqsupseteq Y$  Select/Permute

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- ◆ Grade  $\leftarrow \{(\text{bounds} \sqsubseteq \omega) \sqsupseteq \text{grades}\}$

(f X)g Y  
f o g  
(f Y)g Y

# Data Transformation

$X \sqsupseteq Y$  Select/Permute

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- ◆ Sorts  $\leftarrow \{(\Delta\alpha) \sqsupseteq \omega\}$  ↗ "sort Y by X"
- ◆ Shuffle  $\leftarrow \{(\text{?}\tilde{\approx}\neq\omega) \sqsupseteq \omega\}$
- ◆ Grade  $\leftarrow \{(\text{bounds}_\sqsubseteq \omega) \sqsupseteq \text{grades}\}$

(f X)g Y  
f o g  
(f Y)g Y

# Data Transformation

$X \sqsupseteq Y$  Select/Permute

- ◆ Sort  $\leftarrow \{\omega \triangleleft \underline{o} \sqsupseteq \omega\}$
- ◆ Sorts  $\leftarrow \{\omega \triangleleft \underline{o} \sqsupseteq \omega\}$  ↗ "sort Y by X"
- ◆ Shuffle  $\leftarrow \{\omega (? \ddot{\sim} \neq) \underline{o} \sqsupseteq \omega\}$
- ◆ Grade  $\leftarrow \{\omega (\text{bounds} \circ \underline{l}) \underline{o} \sqsupseteq \text{grades}\}$

(f X)g Y  
f og  
(f Y)g Y

# Data Transformation

$X \sqsupseteq Y$  Select/Permute

- ◆ Sort       $\leftarrow \triangle \underline{o} \sqsupseteq$
- ◆ Sorts      $\leftarrow \triangle \underline{o} \sqsupseteq$       ↗ "sort Y by X"
- ◆ Shuffle     $\leftarrow (?::\#) \underline{o} \sqsupseteq$
- ◆ Grade      $\leftarrow (\text{bounds} \circ \underline{l}) \underline{o} \sqsupseteq \circ \text{grades}$

( $f \ X$ ) $g \ Y$   
 $f \underline{o} g$   
( $f \ Y$ ) $g \ Y$

# Data Transformation

$X \sqsupseteq Y$  Select/Permute

- ◆ Sort  $\leftarrow \triangle \circ \sqsupseteq$
- ◆ Sorts  $\leftarrow \triangle \circ \sqsupseteq$  ↗ "sort Y by X"
- ◆ Shuffle  $\leftarrow ?\approx\circ\neq \circ \sqsupseteq$
- ◆ Grade  $\leftarrow \text{bounds} \circ \underline{\sqsubset} \circ \sqsupseteq \circ \text{grades}$

(f X)g Y  
f og  
(f Y)g Y

# Function Composition

$X \equiv Y$  Match

- ◆ SameAsFirst  $\leftarrow \triangleright \underline{o} =$
- ◆ HasDuplicates  $\leftarrow \cup \underline{o} \equiv$
- ◆ Palindrome  $\leftarrow \phi \underline{o} \equiv$
- ◆ IsPermutation  $\leftarrow \triangleleft \ddot{\circ} \triangleleft \underline{o} \equiv$

$f \underline{o} g$   
 $(f \triangleright Y)g \triangleright Y$

# Function Composition

$f \circ g$  Behind

( $f \circ g$ )  $X$   $Y$   
 $f \circ g$

- Whence  $\leftarrow \iota \circ \epsilon$   $\in \{\iota\alpha \in \omega\}$
- InPoly  $\leftarrow \neg \circ \perp$   $\in \{\neg\alpha \perp \omega\}$
- Shapes  $\leftarrow \rho \circ \rho$   $\in \{\rho\alpha \rho \omega\}$
- ToFile  $\leftarrow \subset \circ \Box \text{NPUT}$   $\in \{\subset\alpha \Box \text{NPUT } \omega\}$





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□NS  
□NG  
□NV  
f ö k  
f o g  
X ⊇ Y





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# Speculative Language Vision

$\exists^{\cdot\cdot}$  pairs

( $\triangleright F \exists$ )

Last?

$\exists Y$

$\triangleright \phi, Y$

$\exists \Box VFI$



# Speculative Language Vision

Sort?

$\wedge / 2 \leq / \leq Y$

$\leq Y$

$\wedge / 2 \geq / \geq Y$

$\geq Y$

$X \equiv \leq Y$

# Speculative Language Vision

## Promote and Demote?

$\wedge Y$   
row1; ö^row2  
mat<^row1  
mat,<row2

, [ ÷ 2 ] Y

$\vee Y$   
;ö2 v1 3 2 4 ØY

, [ i 2 ] Y





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# Speculative Language Vision

## High-Rank Set Functions

$u \checkmark Y$

$X \cup Y$

$X \cap Y$

$X \sim Y$



# Speculative Language Vision

## Auto-Sizing Reshape

?

2ρY

(L(x/ρY)÷2)2ρY



# Speculative Language Vision

## Auto-Sizing Reshape

?

$2 \rho Y$

$((\times / \rho Y) \div 2) 2 \rho Y$



# Speculative Language Vision

## Auto-Sizing Reshape

?

$2 \rho Y$

$(\lceil (\times / \rho Y) \div 2 \rceil) 2 \rho Y$



# Speculative Language Vision

## Auto-Sizing Reshape

?

$2 \rho Y$

$(\lceil (x / \rho Y) \div 2 \rceil) 2 \rho Y, Y$



# Speculative Language Vision

## Auto-Sizing Reshape

?

2ρY

(⌈(×/ρY)÷2⌉)2ρY;2↑0ρY



# Speculative Language Vision

## Auto-Sizing Reshape

$-1 \ 2 \rho Y$



# Speculative Language Vision

## Auto-Sizing Reshape

' R ' 2ρY



# Speculative Language Vision

## Auto-Sizing Reshape

0 . 5   2 ρ Y





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# SPECULATIVE

## Language Vision

### 👉 Dfns Syntax

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# Speculative Language Vision

## Guarded Guards

{cond1 : cond2 : res ◊ else}

{□NEXISTS ω:2=1 □NINFO ω:⇒□NGET ω ◊ 0p<''}





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