

Adept Quick Reference

All functions and types are placed in the adept namespace.

Header files

adept.h	Include if only scalar automatic differentiation is required
adept_arrays.h	Include if array capabilities are needed as well
adept_fortran.h	Interface to Fortran 2018 array descriptors
adept_optimize.h	Minimization algorithms, e.g. Levenberg-Marquardt
adept_source.h	Include entire Adept library, so linking to library not required

Scalar types

Real	Passive scalar type used for differentiation (usually double)
aReal	Active scalar of underlying type Real
adouble, afloat	Active scalars of underlying type double and float

Basic reverse-mode workflow

Stack stack;	Object to store derivative information
aVector x = {1.0, 2.0};	Initialize independent (input) variables (C++11)
stack.new_recording();	Start a new recording
aReal J = algorithm(x);	Any complicated algorithm here
J.set_gradient(1.0);	Seed adjoint of cost function
stack.reverse();	Perform reverse-mode differentiation
Vector dJ_dx = x.get_gradient();	Return gradients of output with respect to inputs

Basic Jacobian workflow

Stack stack;	Object to store derivative information
aVector x = {1.0, 2.0};	Initialize independent (input) variables (C++11)
stack.new_recording();	Start a new recording
aVector y = algorithm(x);	Algorithm with vector output
stack.independent(x);	Declare independent variables
stack.dependent(y);	Declare dependent variables
Matrix dy_dx = stack.jacobian();	Compute Jacobian matrix

aReal member functions

The first three functions below also work with active array arguments, where g would be of the equivalent passive array type:

.set_gradient(g)	Initialize gradient to g
.get_gradient()	After forward or reverse pass, return gradient
.get_gradient(g)	As above, but writing gradient to g
.add_derivative_dependence(a,p)	Add p×δa to the stack
.append_derivative_dependence(a,p)	Append +p×δa to the stack

Stack member functions

Constructors:	
Stack stack;	Construct and activate immediately
Stack stack(false);	Construct in inactive state
Member functions:	
.new_recording()	Clear any existing differential statements
.pause_recording()	Pause recording (ADEPT_PAUSABLE_RECORDING needed)
.continue_recording()	Continue recording
.is_recording()	Is Adept currently recording?
.forward()	Perform forward-mode differentiation
.compute_tangent_linear()	...as above
.reverse()	Perform reverse-mode differentiation
.compute_adjoint()	...as above
.independent(x)	Declare an independent variable (active scalar or array)
.independent(xptr,n)	Declare n independent scalar variables starting at xptr
.dependent(y)	Declare a dependent variable (active scalar or array)
.dependent(yptr,n)	Declare n dependent scalar variables starting at yptr
.jacobian()	Return Jacobian matrix
.jacobian(jacptr)	Place Jacobian matrix into jacptr (column major)
.jacobian(jacptr,false)	Place Jacobian matrix into jacptr (row major)
.clear_gradients()	Clear gradients set with set_gradient function
.clear_independents()	Clear independent variables
.clear_dependents()	Clear dependent variables
.n_independents()	Number of independent variables declared
.n_dependents()	Number of dependent variables declared
.print_status()	Print status of Stack to standard output
.print_statements()	Print list of differential statements
.print_gradients()	Print current values of gradients
.activate()	Activate the stack
.deactivate()	Deactivate the stack
.is_active()	Is the stack currently active?
.memory()	Return number of bytes currently used
.preallocate_statements(n)	Preallocate space for n statements
.preallocate_operations(n)	Preallocate space for n operations

Query functions in adept namespace

active_stack()	Return pointer to currently active Stack object
version()	Return std::string with Adept version number
configuration()	Return std::string describing Adept configuration
have_matrix_multiplication()	Adept compiled with matrix multiplication (BLAS)?
have_linear_algebra()	Adept compiled with linear-algebra (LAPACK)?
set_max_blas_threads(n)	Set maximum threads for matrix operations
max_blas_threads()	Get maximum threads for matrix operations
is_thread_unsafe()	Global Stack object is <i>not</i> thread-local?

Dense dynamic array types

Vector, Matrix, Array3D, Array4D... Array7D	Arrays of type Real
intVector, intMatrix, intArray3D... intArray7D	Arrays of type int
boolVector, boolMatrix, boolArray3D... boolArray7D	Arrays of type bool
floatVector, floatMatrix, floatArray3D... floatArray7D	Arrays of type float
aVector, aMatrix, aArray3D... aArray7D	Active arrays of type Real

Define new dynamic array types as follows:

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typedef Array<short,2,false> shortMatrix;
typedef Array<float,3,true> afloatArray3D;
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Dense fixed-size array types

Vector2, Vector3, Vector4	Passive vectors of fixed length 2–4
Matrix22, Matrix33, Matrix44	Passive matrices of fixed size 2×2 , 3×3 , 4×4
aVector2, aVector3, aVector4	Active vectors of fixed length 2–4
aMatrix22, aMatrix33, aMatrix44	Active matrices of fixed size 2×2 , 3×3 , 4×4

Define new fixed array types as follows:

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typedef FixedArray<short,false,2,4> shortMatrix24;
typedef FixedArray<Real,true,3,3,3> aArray333;
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Special square matrix types

SymmMatrix, aSymmMatrix	Symmetric matrix
DiagMatrix, aDiagMatrix	Diagonal matrix
TridiagMatrix, aTridiagMatrix	Tridiagonal matrix
PentadiagMatrix, aPentadiagMatrix	Pentadiagonal matrix
LowerMatrix, aLowerMatrix	Lower-triangular matrix
UpperMatrix, aUpperMatrix	Upper-triangular matrix

Dense dynamic array constructors

Matrix M;	Create an empty matrix of type Real
Matrix N(M);	Create matrix sharing data with existing matrix
Matrix N = M;	...as above
Matrix N(3,4);	Create matrix with size 3×4
Matrix N(dimensions(3,4));	...as above
Matrix N(M.dimensions());	Create matrix with the same size as M
Matrix N(ptr,dimensions(3,4));	Create 3×4 matrix sharing data from pointer ptr
Matrix N = log(M);	Create matrix containing copy of right-hand-side
Matrix N = {{1.0,2.0},{3.0,4.0}};	Create 2×2 matrix from initializer list (C++11)

Array resize and link member functions

.clear()	Return array to original empty state
.resize(3,4)	Resize array discarding data
.resize(dimensions(3,4))	...as above
.resize_row_major(3,4)	Resize with row-major storage (default)
.resize_column_major(3,4)	Resize with column-major storage
.resize(M.dimensions())	Resize to same as M
.resize_contiguous(...)	Resize guaranteeing contiguous storage
N >>= M;	Discard existing data and link to array on right-hand-side

Array query member functions

::rank	Number of array dimensions
.empty()	Return true if array is empty, false otherwise
.dimensions()	Return an object that can be used to resize other arrays
.dimension(i)	Return length of dimension i (0 based)
.size()	Return total number of elements
.data()	Return pointer to underlying passive data
.const_data()	Return const pointer to underlying data

Array filling

M = 1.0;	Fill all elements of array with the same number
M << 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0;	Fill first four elements of array
M = {{1.0,2.0},{3.0,4.0}};	Fill 2×2 matrix (C++11)

Array indexing and slicing

Dense arrays can be indexed/sliced using the function-call operator with as many arguments as there are dimensions (e.g. index a matrix with $M(i,j)$). In all cases a slice can be used as an lvalue or rvalue. If all arguments are scalars then a single element of the array is extracted. The following special values are available:

end	The last element of the dimension being indexed
end-1	Penultimate element of indexed dimension (any integer arithmetic possible)
If one or more argument is a <i>regular index range</i> then the return type will be an <i>Array</i> pointing to part of the original array. For every scalar argument, its rank will be reduced by one compared to the original array. The available ranges are:	

--	All elements of indexed dimension
range(ibeg,iend)	Contiguous range from ibeg to iend
stride(ibeg,iend,istride)	Strided range (istride can be negative but not zero)
If any of the arguments is a <i>irregular index range</i> (such as an <i>intVector</i> containing an arbitrary list of indices) then the return type will be an <i>IndexedArray</i> . If used as an lvalue, it will modify the original array, but if passed into a function receiving an <i>Array</i> type then any modifications inside the function will not affect the original array.	

Passing arrays to and from functions

There are three ways an array can be received as an argument to a function:

Matrix&	For an array that might be resized in the function
Matrix	For an array or array slice to be modified inside the function
const Matrix&	For a read-only array, array slice or array expression

Member functions returning lvalue

The functions in this section return an `Array` that links to the original data and can be used on the left- or right-hand-side of an assignment. The following only work on dynamic or fixed-size dense arrays:

<code>.subset(ibeg0,iend0,ibeg1,iend1,...)</code>	Contiguous subset
<code>.permute(i0,i1,...)</code>	Permute dimensions
<code>.diag_matrix()</code>	For vector, return <code>DiagMatrix</code>
<code>.soft_link()</code>	

The following works on any matrix:

<code>.T()</code>	Transpose of matrix
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The following work only with square matrices, including special square matrices

<code>.diag_vector()</code>	Return vector linked to its diagonals
<code>.diag_vector(i)</code>	Return vector linked to offdiagonal <code>i</code>
<code>.submatrix_on_diagonal(ibeg,iend)</code>	Return square matrix lying on diagonal

Elemental mathematical functions

Return passive part of active object: `value(x)`

Binary operators: `+`, `-`, `*` and `/`.

Assignment operators: `+=`, `-=`, `**=` and `/=`.

Unary functions: `sqrt`, `exp`, `log`, `log10`, `sin`, `cos`, `tan`, `asin`, `acos`, `atan`, `sinh`, `cosh`, `tanh`, `abs`, `asinh`, `acosh`, `atanh`, `expm1`, `log1p`, `cbrt`, `erf`, `erfc`, `exp2`, `log2`, `round`, `trunc`, `rint`, `nearbyint` and `fastexp`.

Binary functions: `pow`, `atan2`, `min`, `max`, `fmin` and `fmax`.

Unary functions returning bool expressions: `isfinite`, `isinf` and `isnan`.

Binary operators returning bool expressions: `==`, `!=`, `>`, `<`, `>=` and `<=`.

Alias-related functions

<code>eval(E)</code>	Avoid aliasing by evaluating expression <code>E</code> into an array
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<code>noalias(E)</code>	Turn off alias checking for expression <code>E</code>
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Reduction functions

<code>sum(M)</code>	Return the sum of all elements in <code>M</code>
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<code>sum(M,i)</code>	Return array of rank one less than <code>M</code> containing sum along <code>i</code> th dimension (0 based)
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Other reduction functions working in the same way: `mean`, `product`, `minval`, `maxval`, `norm2`.

<code>dot_product(x,y)</code>	The same as <code>sum(a*b)</code> for rank-1 arguments
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Expansion functions

<code>spread<d>(M,n)</code>	Replicate <code>M</code> array expression <code>n</code> times along dimension <code>d</code>
<code>outer_product(x,y)</code>	Return rank-2 outer product from two rank-1 arguments

Matrix multiplication and linear algebra

<code>transpose(M)</code>	Transpose matrix or 2D matrix expression
<code>matmul(M,N)</code>	Matrix multiply, where at least one argument must be a matrix, and orientation of any vector arguments is inferred
<code>M ** N</code>	Shortcut for <code>matmul</code> ; precedence is the same as normal multiply
<code>inv(M)</code>	Inverse of square matrix
<code>solve(A,x)</code>	Solve system of linear equations

Preprocessor variables

The following can be defined to change the behaviour of your code:

<code>ADEPT_STACK_THREAD_UNSAFE</code>	Thread-unsafe Stack (faster)
<code>ADEPT_RECORDING_PAUSABLE</code>	Recording can be paused (slower)
<code>ADEPT_NO_AUTOMATIC_DIFFERENTIATION</code>	Turn off differentiation
<code>ADEPT_TRACK_NONFINITE_GRADIENTS</code>	Exception thrown if derivative non-finite
<code>ADEPT_BOUNDS_CHECKING</code>	Check array bounds (slower)
<code>ADEPT_NO_ALIAS_CHECKING</code>	Turn off alias checking (faster)
<code>ADEPT_NO_DIMENSION_CHECKING</code>	Turn off dimension checking (faster)
<code>ADEPT_INIT_REAL_SNAN</code>	Initialize real numbers to signaling NaN
<code>ADEPT_INIT_REAL_ZERO</code>	Initialize real numbers to zero
<code>ADEPT_FAST_EXPONENTIAL</code>	Use faster vectorizable exponential
<code>ADEPT_FAST_SCALAR_EXPONENTIAL</code>	Provide faster adept::exp for scalars
<code>ADEPT_FAST</code>	Enable bit-reproducible options
<code>ADEPT_STORAGE_THREAD_SAFE</code>	Thread-safe array storage (slower)
<code>ADEPT_SUPPORT_HUGE_ARRAYS</code>	Use std::size_t for array dimensions
<code>ADEPT_REAL_TYPE_SIZE</code>	Size of Real: 4 or 8 (default 8)
<code>ADEPT_VERSION</code>	variable contains version number as an integer, e.g. 20108, while
<code>ADEPT_VERSION_STR</code>	contains it as a string, e.g. "2.0.8".

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Comparison of array syntax between Fortran 90 (and later), Matlab and the C++ libraries Adept and Eigen

	Fortran 90+	Matlab	C++ Adept (with C++11 features)	C++ Eigen
Maximum dimensions	7 (15 from Fortran 2008)	Unlimited	7	2
Vector declaration	real,dimension(:)		Vector	VectorXd
Matrix declaration	real,dimension(:, :, :)		Matrix	MatrixXd, ArrayXd
3D array declaration	real,dimension(:, :, :, :)		Array3D	
Fixed matrix declaration	real,dimension(M,N)		FixedMatrix<double, false, M, N>	Matrix<double, M, N>
Diagonal matrix declaration			DiagMatrix	DiagonalMatrix<double, Dynamic>
Symmetric matrix decl.			SymmMatrix	
Sparse matrix declaration				SparseMatrix<double>
Get rank	rank(A)	ndims(A)	A::rank	
Get total size	size(A)	numel(A)	A.size()	A.size()
Get size of dimension	size(A,i)	size(A,i)	A.size(i)	A.rows(), A.cols()
Get all dimensions	shape(A)	size(A)	A.dimensions()	
Resize	allocate(A(m,n))	A = zeros(m,n)	A.resize(m,n)	A.resize(m,n)
Clear	deallocate(A)	A = []	A.clear()	A.resize(0,0)
Link/associate	A => B		A >> B	(Complicated)
Set elements to constant	A = x	A(:) = x	A = x	A.fill(x)
Fill vector with data	v = [0,1]	v = [0,1]	v << 0,1	v << 0,1
Fill matrix with data	A=reshape([0,1,2,3],[2,2]) [1.0, 2.0]	A = [1 2; 3 4] [1.0 2.0]	A << 1,2,3,4 or A = {{1,2},{3,4}} Vector{1.0, 2.0}	A << 1,2,3,4
Vector literal				
Vector subset	v(i1:i2)	v(i1:i2)	v.subset(i1,i2)	v.segment(i1,m)
Strided indexing	v(i1:i2:s)	v(i1:s:i2)	v(stride(i1,i2,s))	(Complicated)
Vector end indexing	v(i:)	v(i:end)	v.subset(i,end)	v.tail(n)
Index relative to end		v(end-1)	v(end-1)	
Index by int vector	v(index)	v(index)	v(index)	
Matrix subset	A(i1:i2,j1:j2)	A(i1:i2,j1:j2)	A.subset(i1,i2,j1,j2)	A.block(i1,j1,m,n)
Extract row	A(:,i)	A(:,i)	A(:,i), A[i]	A.row(i)
Matrix end block	M(:,j,:)	M(:,i:end,:)	M.subset(i,end,j,end)	M.bottomRightCorner(m,n)
Diagonal matrix from vector		diag(v)	v.diag_matrix()	v.asDiagonal()
Matrix diagonals as vector		diag(A)	A.diag_vector()	A.diagonal()
Matrix off-diagonals		diag(A,i)	A.diag_vector(i)	A.diagonal(i)
Elementwise multiplication	A * B	A .* B	A * B	A.array() * B.array()
Elemental function	sqrt(A)	sqrt(A)	sqrt(A)	A.array().sqrt()
Addition assignment	A = A + B	A = A + B	A += B	A.array() += B
Power	A ** B	A .^ C	pow(A,B)	A.array().pow(B)
Matrix multiplication	matmul(A,B)	A * B	A ** B	A * B
Dot product	dot_product(v,w)	dot(v,w)	dot_product(v,w)	v.dot(w)
Matrix transpose	transpose(A)	A'	A.T()	A.transpose()
In-place transpose			A.in_place_transpose()	A.transposeInPlace()
Matrix solve		A \ b	solve(A,b)	A.colPivHouseholderQr().solve(b)
Matrix inverse		inv(A)	inv(A)	A.inverse()
"Find" conditional assign		v(find(w<0)) = 0	v(find(w<0)) = 0	
"Where" conditional assign	where(w<0) v = 0		v.where(w<0) = 0	v = (w<0).select(0,v)
"Where" with both cases	...elsewhere v = 1		v.where(w<0)=either_or(0,1)	v = (w<0).select(0,1)
Average all elements	mean(A)	mean(A(:))	mean(A)	A.mean()
Average along dimension	mean(A,i)	mean(A,i)	mean(A,i)	A.colwise().mean()
Maximum of all elements	maxval(A)	max(A(:))	maxval(A)	A.maxCoeff()
Maximum of two arrays	max(A,B)	(Complicated)	max(A,B), fmax(A,B)	A.max(B)
Spread along new dimension	spread(A,dim,n)		spread<dim>(A,n)	