

How does Nature Calculate? Is Nature Lexical?

"It From Bit"—? (John Wheeler)

The most basic lexical operation is concatenating chars.

$a \cdot b \cdot ba \neq baba \neq aabb$ Not commutative.

Which numerical operations can emulate concatenation?
Which ones are not commutable? in general.

How about Matrix Multiplication? $AB \neq BA$

So we can make $A \cdot B \cdot B \cdot A$, $B \cdot A \cdot B \cdot A$, $A \cdot A \cdot B \cdot B$
($n \times n$)
and they might not be equal.

Problem: those products are a single $n \times n$ matrix,
and it might lose the sequencing, indeed the factors.

{Nature's Answer? Tensor Product of matrices.

Given $A: m \times n$

$B: p \times q$ make

$$A \otimes B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B & a_{13}B & \dots & a_{1n}B \\ a_{21}B & a_{22}B & a_{23}B & \dots & a_{2n}B \\ \vdots & & & & \\ a_{m1}B & a_{m2}B & a_{m3}B & \dots & a_{mn}B \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(mp \times nq)$$

Tensor Product works for "row vectors" $\approx 1 \times n$ matrices
and "col. vectors" as $m \times 1$ matrices.

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a \otimes b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & (0) \\ 0 & (1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = e_2$$

$$\begin{matrix} aa \\ \parallel \\ e_0 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} ab \\ \parallel \\ e_1 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} ba \\ \parallel \\ e_2 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} bb \\ \parallel \\ e_3 \end{matrix}$$

$$a \otimes a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & (1) \\ 0 & (0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = e_0$$

$$b \otimes a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (1) \\ 1 & (0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = e_2$$

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Row vectors: $(1 \ 0) \otimes (1 \ 0) = (1 \cdot (10) \ 0 \ (10))$
 $= (1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0)$ etc. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Triple Products: \otimes is associative

$$\text{Say } aaaa = a \otimes a \otimes a = (a \otimes a) \otimes a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{And } aaaa = a \otimes a \otimes a \otimes a = a^4 = \text{a vector of height 16}$$

$a^{\otimes n}$ = a vector of size 2^n !!

Likewise the tensor representation of any other word of size n.

$$\text{Matrix example. } H = H_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad H^{\otimes 2} = \left[\begin{bmatrix} 1 & (1 \cdot 1) & 1 & (1 \cdot -1) \\ 1 & (1 \cdot -1) & -1 & (1 \cdot -1) \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

Hadamard Matrix

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Times} \\ \frac{1}{2} \text{ to normalize} \end{matrix}$$