

# News from Dyalog – Spring 2022

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## Back from Covid19

- ◆ It has been 2½ years since we last met with an APL audience (Dyalog included)
- ◆ Some of us have been seeing each other through screens of course, but
- ◆ For me nothing beats the hum and the hugs, the sharing of a meal and the informal exchange of news and ideas  
- so we are really looking forward to



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## Dyalog '22, Olhão



At 5 Star Hotel

Real Marina

On the South Coast  
of Portugal



## Community

- ◆ The APL community is important for members
  - ◆ To exchange ideas
  - ◆ Inspire each other
  - ◆ Help out with algorithms
  - ◆ Help with new technological inventions
  - ◆ Make friends
  - and most importantly
  - ◆ Receive Newcomers



## The Next Big Thing

No, not more product features...

- ◆ MUCH more documentation, samples and tutorials, and
- ◆ Efforts building community on-line
- ◆ (there will also be lots of features too, of course)



## Training Materials

- ◆ [mastering.dyalog.com](http://mastering.dyalog.com)  
Rodrigo Girão Serrao
- ◆ [course.dyalog.com](http://course.dyalog.com)  
Rich Park
- ◆ [tutorial.dyalog.com](http://tutorial.dyalog.com)  
Gary Bergquist + Andrew Sengul
- ◆ [xpqz.github.io/learnapl](http://xpqz.github.io/learnapl)  
Stefan Kruger (IBM)



Adam Brudzewsky  
(here, there and everywhere)





Mastering Dyalog APL  
A Complete Introduction to Dyalog APL

DYALOG

Bernard Legrand



APL Germany



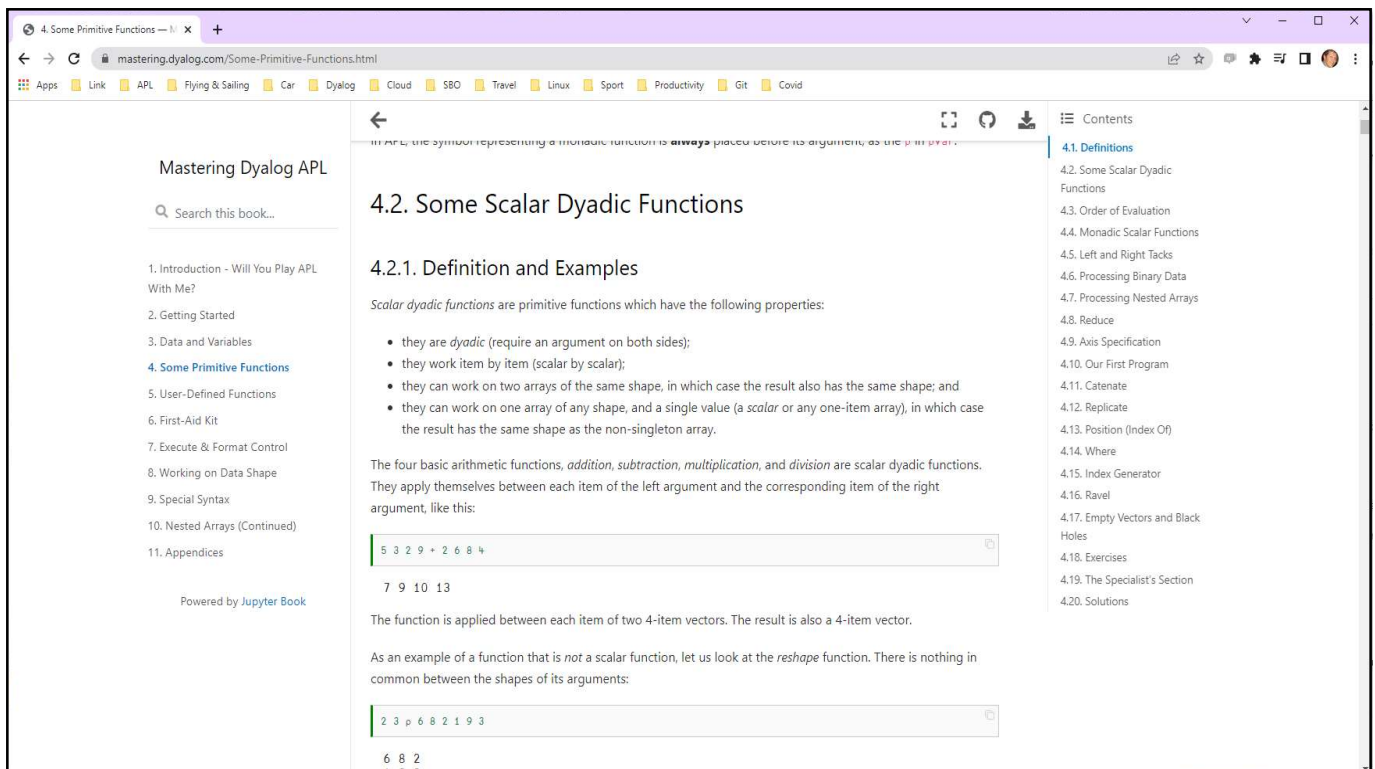
Finn APL

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Mastering Dyalog APL

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7. Execute & Format Control
8. Working on Data Shape
9. Special Syntax
10. Nested Arrays (Continued)
11. Appendices

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## 4.2. Some Scalar Dyadic Functions

### 4.2.1. Definition and Examples

Scalar dyadic functions are primitive functions which have the following properties:

- they are *dyadic* (require an argument on both sides);
- they work item by item (scalar by scalar);
- they can work on two arrays of the same shape, in which case the result also has the same shape; and
- they can work on one array of any shape, and a single value (a *scalar* or any one-item array), in which case the result has the same shape as the non-singleton array.

The four basic arithmetic functions, *addition*, *subtraction*, *multiplication*, and *division* are scalar dyadic functions. They apply themselves between each item of the left argument and the corresponding item of the right argument, like this:

```
5 3 2 9 + 2 6 8 4
7 9 10 13
```

The function is applied between each item of two 4-item vectors. The result is also a 4-item vector.

As an example of a function that is *not* a scalar function, let us look at the *reshape* function. There is nothing in common between the shapes of its arguments:

```
2 3 p 6 8 2 1 9 3
6 8 2
```

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**Selecting from Lists**

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**Indexing**

In many other programming languages, "selection" is used to describe control structures such as "if then else" or "switch case". In APL, we can get a similar effect by literally "selecting" elements from arrays.

```

'APPLE'[1 3 4]      R Select elements 1, 3 and 4
APL
  1 0 0 1 0 1      R Where are the 1s?
1 4 6
  
```

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# tutorial.dyalog.com

## The Zark (Gary Bergquist) Tutorial

**Dyalog APL Tutor**

The objective of this course is simple: to teach you to use APL.

APL is the rebel of programming languages. It looks different; it feels different; it behaves differently; it requires you to think differently. It is different. Members of the data processing community tend to have strong feelings about APL. They love it or they hate it. People who love it, tend to make people who hate it, hate it even more. People who hate it, tend to make people who love it, arrogant. It's a vicious cycle.

Often, those who hate APL don't really understand it. Or, they understand it only enough to argue its weak points. Hopefully, this course will teach you enough about APL to love it or hate it intelligently. You may as well be a well-informed bigot.

So buckle up and enjoy the ride. The first thing to do is find out how to get around in the course. Step 1: Press the Enter Key

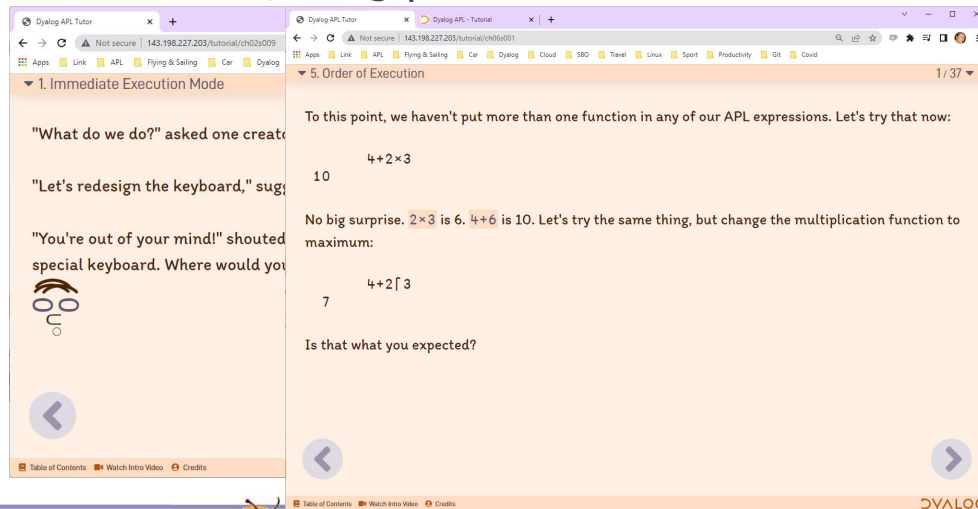
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**ZARK**  
 The Final Word in APL



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## The Zark (Gary Bergquist) Tutorial



Facelift by  
Andrew Sengul

Will be released  
soon



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## Documentation and Training Materials

- Reworking Mastering Dyalog APL
- New and improved TryAPL
- New and improved APL Tutor
- Maintain high frequency of webinars
  - And webcasts



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# Dyalog.tv/APLSeeds21

**Learn APL**

**A Prototyping Language**

**ALGORITHMS AS A TOOL OF THOUGHT**

Conor Hoekstra  
code\_report



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**DYALOG WEBINAR**

Webinar APL Seeds '22 Dyalog '21 APL Seeds '21 Dyalog '20 Dyalog '19 Dyalog '18 Dyalog '17 Dyalog '16 Dyalog '15 Dyalog '14 Dyalog '13 Dyalog '12 Dyalog '11 APL Berlin 2010 Dyalog '09 Dyalog '08

**Getting Data and Code into the Workspace feat. JGet**

Adam Brudzewsky

Live in 8 days  
12 May at 17:00

Coming up

- Getting Data and Code into the Workspace feat. JGet - Adam Brudzewsky

Previous Webinars

- New User Commands in Dyalog v18.2 - Richard Park
- Introducing Dyalog version 18.2 - Morten Kromberg
- Data Visualisation - Richard Park

Adam Brudzewsky

This webinar covers the new and experimental JGet which provides a unified way to bring data and code, in various forms and from various sources, into the workspace at development time. In addition, the essential alternatives for integration into applications are discussed.

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# Documentation and Training Materials

- ◆ Open Source Project Templates
  - ◆ Running APL applications as services / daemons under Windows and Linux
  - ◆ Deploying and operating secure and load-balanced solutions in Dyalog APL
  - ◆ Continuous integration, generating containers from APL code in GitHub, deploying to the cloud



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The screenshot shows the GitHub profile page for the organization 'Dyalog'. The profile includes a bio, location (United Kingdom), website (https://www.dyalog.com), and email (support@dyalog.com). The page displays a list of popular repositories:

- ride**: Remote IDE for Dyalog APL. Languages: JavaScript. Stars: 125, Forks: 23.
- dyalog-jupyter-kernel**: A Jupyter kernel for Dyalog APL. Languages: Python. Stars: 48, Forks: 13.
- pynapl**: Dyalog APL ↔ Python interface. Languages: Python. Stars: 41, Forks: 4.
- MiServer**: MiServer- an APL-based web server - requires Dyalog APL available from http://www.dyalog.com. Languages: Less. Stars: 39, Forks: 8.
- dyalog-jupyter-notebooks**: Jupyter notebooks for Dyalog APL. Languages: Jupyter Notebook. Stars: 29, Forks: 11.
- vecdb**: A simple "columnar database" based on memory-mapped files, written in APL. Languages: APL. Stars: 25, Forks: 2.

The page also shows a 'People' section with avatars of team members and a 'Top languages' section with a bar chart showing APL, JavaScript, Shell, and C.

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## Planned for 2022

- At least one fully worked example of how to build a web site in Dyalog APL
  - Deployed in containers
  - Scalable using several alternatives
  - Sessions, using 3rd Party Authentication
  - Encrypted Data




## The other Big Thing

- Package Management
- Tatin










# The APL Competition

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<https://www.dyalog.com/student-competition.htm>



# New Basic License

-  From Dyalog v18.2, the Non-commercial licence is replaced by a Basic licence
-  A Basic Licence is a **free licence** that allows APL users to have a copy of the latest Dyalog technology **for personal or non-commercial use** and experimentation.
-  Allows **distribution of Dyalog along with your work** under the terms of the Royalty-Based Run-Time Licence, which will apply as the default run-time licence.
  -  Fee is 2% of gross APL-based revenue
  -  No fee if revenue < GBP 5,000 in a calendar year
  -  Multiple alternative commercial license schemes are available
-  For GBP 150 per year, you can subscribe to the Dyalog Support Service (DSS)



## Basic Licence

Intended for:

- non-commercial use
- education
- personal projects
- experiments
- sharing your experience
- proof of concepts / trials
- participating in programming competitions for cash prizes
- fun



## Community

- The last thing I will draw your attention to is a very useful thing on our webpage:  
Under **News**  
You will find an **Event Calendar**



Dyalog - Dates for Your Diary

dyalog.com/dates-for-your-diary.htm

## Dates for Your Diary

Events by Date | Events by Category | Past Events

May 2022

- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Adám participated in [Stevan Apter](#)

April 2022

- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Adám participated in [Vanessa McHale](#)
- [Dyalog webinar](#): Rich Park presented [New User Commands in Dyalog v18.2](#)
- [APL Campfire](#): feat. Adám Brudzewsky
- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Gilte, Adám, Rich and Rodrigo participated in [APL Seeds '22](#)

March 2022

- [APL Seeds '22](#)
- [Functional Conf 2022](#): Rodrigo presented [Why APL is a Language Worth Knowing](#)
- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Adám participated in [Andrew Sengul – The April APL Compiler](#)
- [Dyalog webinar](#): Morten presented [Introducing Dyalog v18.2](#)
- [APL Campfire](#): feat. David Selby
- [Dyalog version 18.2](#) released
- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Josh and Adám participated in [Josh David, APL In Industry](#)

February 2022

- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Morten and Rich participated in [Morten Kromberg, CTO of Dyalog Ltd](#)
- [Dyalog webinar](#): Rich presented [Data Visualisation](#)
- [APL Campfire](#): feat. Curtis Jones
- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Rich and Rodrigo participated in [Rodrigo Girão Serrão](#)

January 2022

- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Rich participated in [Aaron Hsu](#)
- [Dyalog webinar](#): Adám presented [Computing Check Digits – Fast](#)
- [APL Campfire](#)
- [Array.Cast \(podcast\)](#): Adám participated in [Henry Rich presents J903](#)

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Unless otherwise stated, these are online events

### Dyalog Events

- [APL Problem Solving Competition](#):
  - 29 July: Deadline for submissions (22:59 UTC)
  - 22 August: Winners announced
- [Dyalog webinar](#):
  - 12 May: Adám Brudzewsky presents [Getting Data and Code into the Workspace](#) feat. ]Get (15:00 UTC)
  - 09 June: [T.B.A.](#) (15:00 UTC)
- [Dyalog '22](#):
  - 09-13 October: annual user meeting in Olhão, Portugal

### External Events

- [APL Campfire](#):
  - 08 May: feat. Paul Jackson (18:00 UTC) – joint meeting with Northern California APL ACM Chapter (APLBUG)
- [APL Germany](#):
  - 05-06 May: [spring meeting](#) in Berlin, Germany
- [APL Quest](#):
  - 06 May: [2014 Problem 4](#) (15:00 UTC)
  - 13 May: [2014 Problem 5](#) (15:00 UTC)
  - 20 May: [2014 Problem 6](#) (15:00 UTC)
  - 27 May: [2014 Problem 7](#) (15:00 UTC)
  - 03 June: [2014 Problem 8](#) (15:00 UTC)
  - 10 June: [2014 Problem 9](#) (15:00 UTC)
  - 17 June: [2014 Problem 10](#) (15:00 UTC)
  - 24 June: [2015 Problem 1](#) (15:00 UTC)
- [BAA webinar](#):
  - 5 May: open session (15:00 UTC)

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Hope to  
See you all there!!



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# Questions?



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