

The code of the package **nicematrix**^{*}

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Abstract

This document is the documented code of the LaTeX package **nicematrix**. It is *not* its user's guide. The guide of utilisation is the document **nicematrix.pdf** (with a French traduction: **nicematrix-french.pdf**).

The development of the extension **nicematrix** is done on the following GitHub depot:
<https://github.com/fpantigny/nicematrix>

1 Declaration of the package and packages loaded

The prefix **nicematrix** has been registered for this package.

See: [<http://mirrors.ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/l3kernel/l3prefixes.pdf>](http://mirrors.ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/l3kernel/l3prefixes.pdf)

First, we load **pgfcore** and the module **shapes**. We do so because it's not possible to use **\usepgfmodule** in **\ExplSyntaxOn**.

```
1 \RequirePackage{pgfcore}
2 \usepgfmodule{shapes}
```

We give the traditional declaration of a package written with the L3 programming layer.

```
3 \RequirePackage{l3keys2e}
4 \ProvidesExplPackage
5   {nicematrix}
6   {\myfiledate}
7   {\myfileversion}
8   {Enhanced arrays with the help of PGF/TikZ}
```

The command for the treatment of the options of **\usepackage** is at the end of this package for technical reasons.

```
9 \RequirePackage { amsmath }
10 \RequirePackage { array }
```

In the version 2.6a of **array**, important modifications have been done for the Tagging Project.

```
11 \bool_const:Nn \c_@@_tagging_array_bool
12   { \IfPackageAtLeastTF { array } { 2024/05/01 } \c_true_bool \c_false_bool }
13 \bool_const:Nn \c_@@_testphase_table_bool
14   { \IfPackageLoadedTF { latex-lab-testphase-table } \c_true_bool \c_false_bool
15 }
```

^{*}This document corresponds to the version 6.28c of **nicematrix**, at the date of 2024/08/22.

```

16 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_error:n { \msg_error:nn { nicematrix } }
17 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_warning:n { \msg_warning:nn { nicematrix } }
18 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_error:nn { \msg_error:nnn { nicematrix } }
19 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_error:nn { n e }
20 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_error:nnn { \msg_error:nnnn { nicematrix } }
21 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_fatal:n { \msg_fatal:nn { nicematrix } }
22 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_fatal:nn { \msg_fatal:nnn { nicematrix } }
23 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_msg_new:nn { \msg_new:nnn { nicematrix } }

```

With Overleaf, by default, a document is compiled in non-stop mode. When there is an error, there is no way to the user to use the key H in order to have more information. That's why we decide to put that piece of information (for the messages with such information) in the main part of the message when the key `messages-for-Overleaf` is used (at load-time).

```

24 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_msg_new:nnn #1 #2 #3
25 {
26     \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_messages_for_Overleaf_bool
27         { \msg_new:nnn { nicematrix } { #1 } { #2 \\ #3 } }
28         { \msg_new:nnnn { nicematrix } { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } }
29 }

```

We also create a command which will generate usually an error but only a warning on Overleaf. The argument is given by curryfication.

```

30 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_error_or_warning:n
31     { \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_messages_for_Overleaf_bool \@@_warning:n \@@_error:n }

```

We try to detect whether the compilation is done on Overleaf. We use `\c_sys_jobname_str` because, with Overleaf, the value of `\c_sys_jobname_str` is always “output”.

```

32 \bool_new:N \g_@@_messages_for_Overleaf_bool
33 \bool_gset:Nn \g_@@_messages_for_Overleaf_bool
34 {
35     \str_if_eq_p:on \c_sys_jobname_str { _region_ } % for Emacs
36     || \str_if_eq_p:on \c_sys_jobname_str { output } % for Overleaf
37 }

```

```

38 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_msg_redirect_name:nn
39     { \msg_redirect_name:nnn { nicematrix } }
40 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_gredirect_none:n #1
41 {
42     \group_begin:
43     \globaldefs = 1
44     \@@_msg_redirect_name:nn { #1 } { none }
45     \group_end:
46 }
47 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_err_gredirect_none:n #1
48 {
49     \@@_error:n { #1 }
50     \@@_gredirect_none:n { #1 }
51 }
52 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_warning_gredirect_none:n #1
53 {
54     \@@_warning:n { #1 }
55     \@@_gredirect_none:n { #1 }
56 }

```

We will delete in the future the following lines which are only a security.

```

57 \cs_set:Npn \int_if_zero:NT #1 { \int_compare:nNnT #1 = \c_zero_int }
58 \cs_set:Npn \int_if_zero:NTF #1 { \int_compare:nNnTF #1 = \c_zero_int }

```

2 Security test

Within the package `nicematrix`, we will have to test whether a cell of a `{NiceTabular}` is empty. For the cells of the columns of type `p`, `b`, `m`, `X` and `V`, we will test whether the cell is syntactically empty (that is to say that there is only spaces between the ampersands `&`). That test will be done with the command `\@@_test_if_empty`: by testing if the two first tokens in the cells are (during the TeX process) are `\ignorespaces` and `\unskip`.

However, if, one day, there is a changement in the implementation of `array`, maybe that this test will be broken (and `nicematrix` also).

That's why, by security, we will take a test in a small `{tabular}` composed in the box `\l_tmpa_box` used as sandbox.

```
59 \@@_msg_new:nn { Internal-error }
60 {
61     Potential~problem~when~using~nicematrix.\\
62     The~package~nicematrix~have~detected~a~modification~of~the~
63     standard~environment~{array}~(of~the~package~array).~Maybe~you~will~encounter~
64     some~slight~problems~when~using~nicematrix.~If~you~don't~want~to~see~
65     this~message~again,~load~nicematrix~with:~\token_to_str:N
66     \usepackage[no-test-for-array]{nicematrix}.
67 }

68 \@@_msg_new:nn { mdwtab-loaded }
69 {
70     The~packages~'mdwtab'~and~'nicematrix'~are~incompatible.~
71     This~error~is~fatal.
72 }

73 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_security_test:n #1
74 {
75     \peek_meaning:NTF \ignorespaces
76         { \@@_security_test_i:w }
77         { \@@_error:n { Internal-error } }
78     #1
79 }

80 \bool_if:NTF \c_@@_tagging_array_bool
81 {
82     \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_security_test_i:w \ignorespaces #1
83     {
84         \peek_meaning:NF \textonly@unskip { \@@_error:n { Internal-error } }
85         #1
86     }
87 }
88 {
89     \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_security_test_i:w \ignorespaces #1
90     {
91         \peek_meaning:NF \unskip { \@@_error:n { Internal-error } }
92         #1
93     }
94 }
```

Here, the box `\l_tmpa_box` will be used as sandbox to take our security test.

```
95 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument / end } { . }
96 {
97     \IfPackageLoadedTF { mdwtab }
98     { \@@_fatal:n { mdwtab-loaded } }
99     {
100         \bool_if:NF \g_@@_no_test_for_array_bool
```

```

101      {
102        \group_begin:
103          \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box
104          {
105            \begin{tabular}{c>{\@_security_test:n} c c}
106              text & & text
107            \end{tabular}
108          }
109        \group_end:
110      }
111    }
112  }

```

3 Collecting options

The following technic allows to create user commands with the ability to put an arbitrary number of [list of (key=val)] after the name of the command.

Exemple :

```
\@_collect_options:n { \F } [x=a,y=b] [z=c,t=d] { arg }
```

will be transformed in : `\F{x=a,y=b,z=c,t=d}{arg}`

Therefore, by writing : `\def\G{\@_collect_options:n{\F}}`,
the command `\G` takes in an arbitrary number of optional arguments between square brackets.
Be careful: that command is *not* “fully expandable” (because of `\peek_meaning:NTF`).

```

113 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@_collect_options:n #1
114  {
115    \peek_meaning:NTF [
116      { \@_collect_options:nw { #1 } }
117      { #1 { } }
118  }

```

We use `\NewDocumentCommand` in order to be able to allow nested brackets within the argument between [and].

```

119 \NewDocumentCommand \@_collect_options:nw { m r[] }
120   { \@_collect_options:nn { #1 } { #2 } }
121
122 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@_collect_options:nn #1 #2
123  {
124    \peek_meaning:NTF [
125      { \@_collect_options:nnw { #1 } { #2 } }
126      { #1 { #2 } }
127  }
128
129 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@_collect_options:nnw #1#2[#3]
130   { \@_collect_options:nn { #1 } { #2 , #3 } }

```

4 Technical definitions

The following constants are defined only for efficiency in the tests.

```

131 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_b_tl { b }
132 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_c_tl { c }
133 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_l_tl { l }

```

```

134 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_r_tl { r }
135 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_all_tl { all }
136 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_dot_tl { . }
137 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_default_tl { default }
138 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_star_tl { * }
139 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_star_str { * }
140 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_r_str { r }
141 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_c_str { c }
142 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_l_str { l }
143 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_R_str { R }
144 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_C_str { C }
145 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_L_str { L }
146 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_j_str { j }
147 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_si_str { si }

```

The following token list will be used for definitions of user commands (with `\NewDocumentCommand`) with an embellishment using an *underscore* (there may be problems because of the catcode of the underscore).

```

148 \tl_new:N \l_@@_argspec_tl
149 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \seq_set_split:Nnn { N o n }
150 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \str_lowercase:n { o }

151 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
152 {
153     \IfPackageLoadedTF { tikz }
154     {

```

In some constructions, we will have to use a `{pgfpicture}` which *must* be replaced by a `{tikzpicture}` if Tikz is loaded. However, this switch between `{pgfpicture}` and `{tikzpicture}` can't be done dynamically with a conditional because, when the Tikz library `external` is loaded by the user, the pair `\tikzpicture-\endtikzpicture` (or `\begin{tikzpicture}-\end{tikzpicture}`) must be statically “visible” (even when externalization is not activated).

That's why we create `\c_@@_pgfortikzpicture_tl` and `\c_@@_endpgfortikzpicture_tl` which will be used to construct in a `\hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }` the correct version of some commands. The tokens `\exp_not:N` are mandatory.

```

155     \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_pgfortikzpicture_tl { \exp_not:N \tikzpicture }
156     \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_endpgfortikzpicture_tl { \exp_not:N \endtikzpicture }
157 }
158 {
159     \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_pgfortikzpicture_tl { \exp_not:N \pgfpicture }
160     \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_endpgfortikzpicture_tl { \exp_not:N \endpgfpicture }
161 }
162 }

```

We test whether the current class is `revtex4-1` (deprecated) or `revtex4-2` because these classes redefines `\array` (of `array`) in a way incompatible with our programmation. At the date April 2024, the current version `revtex4-2` is 4.2f (compatible with `booktabs`).

```

163 \IfClassLoadedTF { revtex4-1 }
164   { \bool_const:Nn \c_@@_revtex_bool \c_true_bool }
165   {
166     \IfClassLoadedTF { revtex4-2 }
167       { \bool_const:Nn \c_@@_revtex_bool \c_true_bool }
168       {

```

Maybe one of the previous classes will be loaded inside another class... We try to detect that situation.

```

169 \cs_if_exist:NT \rvtx@ifformat@geq
170   { \bool_const:Nn \c_@@_revtex_bool \c_true_bool }
171   { \bool_const:Nn \c_@@_revtex_bool \c_false_bool }
172 }
173 }

```

If the final user uses `nicematrix`, PGF/Tikz will write instruction `\pgfsyspdfmark` in the `.aux` file. If he changes its mind and no longer loads `nicematrix`, an error may occur at the next compilation because of remanent instructions `\pgfsyspdfmark` in the `.aux` file. With the following code, we try to avoid that situation.

```

174 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_provide_pgfsyspdfmark:
175 {
176     \iow_now:Nn \mainaux
177     {
178         \ExplSyntaxOn
179         \cs_if_free:NT \pgfsyspdfmark
180             { \cs_set_eq:NN \pgfsyspdfmark \gobblethree }
181         \ExplSyntaxOff
182     }
183     \cs_gset_eq:NN \@@_provide_pgfsyspdfmark: \prg_do_nothing:
184 }
```

We define a command `\iddots` similar to `\ddots` (\cdots) but with dots going forward ($\cdot\cdot\cdot$). We use `\ProvideDocumentCommand` and so, if the command `\iddots` has already been defined (for example by the package `mathdots`), we don't define it again.

```

185 \ProvideDocumentCommand \iddots { }
186 {
187     \mathinner
188     {
189         \tex_mkern:D 1 mu
190         \box_move_up:nn { 1 pt } { \hbox { . } }
191         \tex_mkern:D 2 mu
192         \box_move_up:nn { 4 pt } { \hbox { . } }
193         \tex_mkern:D 2 mu
194         \box_move_up:nn { 7 pt }
195             { \vbox:n { \kern 7 pt \hbox { . } } }
196         \tex_mkern:D 1 mu
197     }
198 }
```

This definition is a variant of the standard definition of `\ddots`.

In the `.aux` file, we will have the references of the PGF/Tikz nodes created by `nicematrix`. However, when `booktabs` is used, some nodes (more precisely, some `row` nodes) will be defined twice because their position will be modified. In order to avoid an error message in this case, we will redefine `\pgfutil@check@rerun` in the `.aux` file.

```

199 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
200 {
201     \IfPackageLoadedTF { booktabs }
202         { \iow_now:Nn \mainaux \nicematrix@redefine@check@rerun }
203     { }
204 }
205 \cs_set_protected:Npn \nicematrix@redefine@check@rerun
206 {
207     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_pgfutil@check@rerun \pgfutil@check@rerun
```

The new version of `\pgfutil@check@rerun` will not check the PGF nodes whose names start with `nm-` (which is the prefix for the nodes created by `nicematrix`).

```

208 \cs_set_protected:Npn \pgfutil@check@rerun ##1 ##2
209 {
210     \str_if_eq:eeF { nm- } { \tl_range:nnn { ##1 } 1 3 }
211         { \@@_old_pgfutil@check@rerun { ##1 } { ##2 } }
212 }
213 }
```

We have to know whether `colortbl` is loaded in particular for the redefinition of `\everycr`.

```

214 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
```

```

215  {
216    \IfPackageLoadedTF { colortbl }
217    { }
218    {

```

The command `\CT@arc@` is a command of `colortbl` which sets the color of the rules in the array. We will use it to store the instruction of color for the rules even if `colortbl` is not loaded.

```

219   \cs_set_protected:Npn \CT@arc@ { }
220   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \arrayrulecolor #1 # { \CT@arc { #1 } }
221   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \CT@arc #1 #2
222   {
223     \dim_compare:nNnT \baselineskip = \c_zero_dim \noalign
224     { \cs_gset_nopar:Npn \CT@arc@ { \color { #1 } { #2 } } }
225   }

```

Idem for `\CT@drs@`.

```

226   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \doublerulesepcolor #1 # { \CT@drs { #1 } }
227   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \CT@drs #1 #2
228   {
229     \dim_compare:nNnT \baselineskip = \c_zero_dim \noalign
230     { \cs_gset:Npn \CT@drsc@ { \color { #1 } { #2 } } }
231   }
232   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \hline
233   {
234     \noalign { \ifnum 0 = `} \fi
235     \cs_set_eq:NN \hskip \vskip
236     \cs_set_eq:NN \vrule \hrule
237     \cs_set_eq:NN \cwidth \cheight
238     { \CT@arc@ \vline }
239     \futurelet \reserved@a
240     \cheight
241   }
242 }
243

```

We have to redefine `\cline` for several reasons. The command `\@@_cline` will be linked to `\cline` in the beginning of `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`. The following commands must *not* be protected.

```

244 \cs_set_nopar:Npn \@@_standard_cline #1 { \@@_standard_cline:w #1 \q_stop }
245 \cs_set_nopar:Npn \@@_standard_cline:w #1-#2 \q_stop
246 {
247   \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_first_col_int { \omit & }
248   \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } > \c_one_int
249   { \multispan { \int_eval:n { #1 - 1 } } & }
250   \multispan { \int_eval:n { #2 - #1 + 1 } }
251   {
252     \CT@arc@
253     \leaders \hrule \cheight \arrayrulewidth \hfill

```

The following `\skip_horizontal:N \c_zero_dim` is to prevent a potential `\unskip` to delete the `\leaders`¹

```

254   \skip_horizontal:N \c_zero_dim
255 }

```

Our `\everycr` has been modified. In particular, the creation of the `row` node is in the `\everycr` (maybe we should put it with the incrementation of `\c@iRow`). Since the following `\cr` correspond to a “false row”, we have to nullify `\everycr`.

```

256 \everycr { }
257 \cr
258 \noalign { \skip_vertical:N -\arrayrulewidth }
259 }

```

¹See question 99041 on TeX StackExchange.

The following version of `\cline` spreads the array of a quantity equal to `\arrayrulewidth` as does `\hline`. It will be loaded excepted if the key `standard-cline` has been used.

```
260 \cs_set:Npn \@@_cline
```

We have to act in a fully expandable way since there may be `\noalign` (in the `\multispan`) to detect. That's why we use `\@@_cline_i:en`.

```
261 { \@@_cline_i:en \l_@@_first_col_int }
```

The command `\cline_i:nn` has two arguments. The first is the number of the current column (it *must* be used in that column). The second is a standard argument of `\cline` of the form *i-j* or the form *i*.

```
262 \cs_set:Npn \@@_cline_i:nn #1 #2 { \@@_cline_i:w #1|#2- \q_stop }
263 \cs_set:Npn \@@_cline_i:w #1|#2-#3 \q_stop
264 {
265     \tl_if_empty:nTF { #3 }
266     { \@@_cline_iii:w #1|#2-#2 \q_stop }
267     { \@@_cline_ii:w #1|#2-#3 \q_stop }
268 }
269 \cs_set:Npn \@@_cline_ii:w #1|#2-#3-\q_stop
270 { \@@_cline_iii:w #1|#2-#3 \q_stop }
271 \cs_set:Npn \@@_cline_iii:w #1|#2-#3 \q_stop
272 {
```

Now, `#1` is the number of the current column and we have to draw a line from the column `#2` to the column `#3` (both included).

```
273 \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } < { #2 }
274 { \multispan { \int_eval:n { #2 - #1 } } & }
275 \multispan { \int_eval:n { #3 - #2 + 1 } }
276 {
277     \CT@arc@%
278     \leaders \hrule \height \arrayrulewidth \hfill
279     \skip_horizontal:N \c_zero_dim
280 }
```

You look whether there is another `\cline` to draw (the final user may put several `\cline`).

```
281 \peek_meaning_remove_spaces:NTF \cline
282 { & \@@_cline_i:en { \int_eval:n { #3 + 1 } } }
283 { \everycr { } \cr }
284 }
285 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_cline_i:nn { e n }
```

The following command will be nullified in the environment `{NiceTabular}`, `{NiceTabular*}` and `{NiceTabularX}`.

```
286 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_math_toggle: \c_math_toggle_token
```

```
287 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_set_CT@arc@:n #1
288 {
289     \tl_if_blank:nF { #1 }
290     {
291         \tl_if_head_eq_meaning:nNTF { #1 } [
292             { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \CT@arc@ { \color #1 } }
293             { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \CT@arc@ { \color { #1 } } }
294         ]
295     }
296 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_set_CT@arc@:n { o }
```

```
297 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_set_CT@drsc@:n #1
298 {
299     \tl_if_head_eq_meaning:nNTF { #1 } [
300         { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \CT@drsc@ { \color #1 } }
301         { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \CT@drsc@ { \color { #1 } } }
302     ]
303 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_set_CT@drsc@:n { o }
```

The following command must *not* be protected since it will be used to write instructions in the (internal) \CodeBefore.

```

304 \cs_new:Npn \@@_exp_color_arg:Nn #1 #2
305 {
306     \tl_if_head_eq_meaning:nNTF { #2 } [
307         { #1 #2 }
308         { #1 { #2 } }
309     ]
310 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_exp_color_arg:Nn { N o }
```

The following command must be protected because of its use of the command \color.

```

311 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_color:n #1
312     { \tl_if_blank:nF { #1 } { \@@_exp_color_arg:Nn \color { #1 } } }
313 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_color:n { o }

314 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rescan_for_spanish:N #1
315 {
316     \tl_set_rescan:Nno
317         #1
318     {
319         \char_set_catcode_other:N >
320         \char_set_catcode_other:N <
321     }
322     #1
323 }
```

5 Parameters

The following counter will count the environments \NiceArray. The value of this counter will be used to prefix the names of the Tikz nodes created in the array.

```
324 \int_new:N \g_@@_env_int
```

The following command is only a syntactic shortcut. It must *not* be protected (it will be used in names of PGF nodes).

```
325 \cs_new:Npn \@@_env: { \int_use:N \g_@@_env_int }
```

The command \NiceMatrixLastEnv is not used by the package nicematrix. It's only a facility given to the final user. It gives the number of the last environment (in fact the number of the current environment but it's meant to be used after the environment in order to refer to that environment — and its nodes — without having to give it a name). This command *must* be expandable since it will be used in pgf nodes.

```

326 \NewExpandableDocumentCommand \NiceMatrixLastEnv { }
327     { \int_use:N \g_@@_env_int }
```

The following command is only a syntactic shortcut. The q in qpoint means *quick*.

```

328 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_qpoint:n #1
329     { \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - #1 } { center } }
```

If the user uses \NiceTabular, \NiceTabular* or \NiceTabularX, we will raise the following flag.

```
330 \bool_new:N \l_@@_tabular_bool
```

`\g_@@_delims_bool` will be true for the environments with delimiters (ex. : `{pNiceMatrix}`, `{pNiceArray}`, `\pAutoNiceMatrix`, etc.).

```
331 \bool_new:N \g_@@_delims_bool
332 \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_delims_bool
```

In fact, if there is delimiters in the preamble of `{NiceArray}` (eg: `[cccc]`), this boolean will be set to false.

The following boolean will be equal to `true` in the environments which have a preamble (provided by the final user): `{NiceTabular}`, `{NiceArray}`, `{pNiceArray}`, etc.

```
333 \bool_new:N \l_@@_preamble_bool
334 \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_preamble_bool
```

We need a special treatment for `{NiceMatrix}` when `vlines` is not used, in order to retrieve `\arraycolsep` on both sides.

```
335 \bool_new:N \l_@@_NiceMatrix_without_vlines_bool
```

The following counter will count the environments `{NiceMatrixBlock}`.

```
336 \int_new:N \g_@@_NiceMatrixBlock_int
```

It's possible to put tabular notes (with `\tabularnote`) in the caption if that caption is composed *above* the tabular. In such case, we will count in `\g_@@_notes_caption_int` the number of uses of the command `\tabularnote without optional argument` in that caption.

```
337 \int_new:N \g_@@_notes_caption_int
```

The dimension `\l_@@_columns_width_dim` will be used when the options specify that all the columns must have the same width (but, if the key `columns-width` is used with the special value `auto`, the boolean `\l_@@_auto_columns_width_bool` also will be raised).

```
338 \dim_new:N \l_@@_columns_width_dim
```

The dimension `\l_@@_col_width_dim` will be available in each cell which belongs to a column of fixed width: `w{...}{...}`, `W{...}{...}`, `p{...}`, `m{...}`, `b{...}` but also `X` (when the actual width of that column is known, that is to say after the first compilation). It's the width of that column. It will be used by some commands `\Block`. A non positive value means that the column has no fixed width (it's a column of type `c`, `r`, `l`, etc.).

```
339 \dim_new:N \l_@@_col_width_dim
340 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_col_width_dim { -1 cm }
```

The following counters will be used to count the numbers of rows and columns of the array.

```
341 \int_new:N \g_@@_row_total_int
342 \int_new:N \g_@@_col_total_int
```

The following parameter will be used by `\@@_create_row_node`: to avoid to create the same row-node twice (at the end of the array).

```
343 \int_new:N \g_@@_last_row_node_int
```

The following counter corresponds to the key `nb-rows` of the command `\RowStyle`.

```
344 \int_new:N \l_@@_key_nb_rows_int
```

The following token list will contain the type of horizontal alignment of the current cell as provided by the corresponding column. The possible values are `r`, `l`, `c` and `j`. For example, a column `p[1]{3cm}` will provide the value `l` for all the cells of the column.

```
345 \tl_new:N \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl
346 \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl \c_@@_c_tl
```

When there is a mono-column block (created by the command `\Block`), we want to take into account the width of that block for the width of the column. That's why we compute the width of that block in the `\g_@@_blocks_wd_dim` and, after the construction of the box `\l_@@_cell_box`, we change the width of that box to take into account the length `\g_@@_blocks_wd_dim`.

```
347 \dim_new:N \g_@@_blocks_wd_dim
```

Idem for the mono-row blocks.

```
348 \dim_new:N \g_@@_blocks_ht_dim
349 \dim_new:N \g_@@_blocks_dp_dim
```

The following dimension correspond to the key `width` (which may be fixed in `\NiceMatrixOptions` but also in an environment `{NiceTabular}`).

```
350 \dim_new:N \l_@@_width_dim
```

The sequence `\g_@@_names_seq` will be the list of all the names of environments used (via the option `name`) in the document: two environments must not have the same name. However, it's possible to use the option `allow-duplicate-names`.

```
351 \seq_new:N \g_@@_names_seq
```

We want to know whether we are in an environment of `nicematrix` because we will raise an error if the user tries to use nested environments.

```
352 \bool_new:N \l_@@_in_env_bool
```

The following key corresponds to the key `notes/detect_duplicates`.

```
353 \bool_new:N \l_@@_notes_detect_duplicates_bool
354 \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_notes_detect_duplicates_bool
```

If the user uses `{NiceTabular*}`, the width of the tabular (in the first argument of the environment `{NiceTabular*}`) will be stored in the following dimension.

```
355 \dim_new:N \l_@@_tabular_width_dim
```

The following dimension will be used for the total width of composite rules (*total* means that the spaces on both sides are included).

```
356 \dim_new:N \l_@@_rule_width_dim
```

The key `color` in a command of rule such as `\Hline` (or the specifier “|” in the preamble of an environment).

```
357 \tl_new:N \l_@@_rule_color_tl
```

The following boolean will be raised when the command `\rotate` is used.

```
358 \bool_new:N \g_@@_rotate_bool
```

The following boolean will be raise then the command `\rotate` is used with the key `c`.

```
359 \bool_new:N \g_@@_rotate_c_bool
```

In a cell, it will be possible to know whether we are in a cell of a column of type `X` thanks to that flag.

```
360 \bool_new:N \l_@@_X_bool
361 \bool_new:N \g_@@_caption_finished_bool
```

We will write in `\g_@@_aux_t1` all the instructions that we have to write on the `aux` file for the current environment. The contain of that token list will be written on the `aux` file at the end of the environment (in an instruction `\tl_gset:cn { c_@@_ \int_use:N \g_@@_env_int _ t1 }`).

```
362 \tl_new:N \g_@@_aux_t1
```

During the second run, if informations concerning the current environment has been found in the `aux` file, the following flag will be raised.

```
363 \bool_new:N \g_@@_aux_found_bool
```

In particular, in that `aux` file, there will be, for each environment of `nicematrix`, an affectation for the the following sequence that will contain informations about the size of the array.

```
364 \seq_new:N \g_@@_size_seq
```

```
365 \tl_new:N \g_@@_left_delim_tl
366 \tl_new:N \g_@@_right_delim_tl
```

The token list `\g_@@_user_preamble_tl` will contain the preamble provided by the the final user of `nicematrix` (eg the preamble of an environment `{NiceTabular}`).

```
367 \tl_new:N \g_@@_user_preamble_tl
```

The token list `\g_@@_array_preamble_tl` will contain the preamble constructed by `nicematrix` for the environment `{array}` (of array).

```
368 \tl_new:N \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
```

For `\multicolumn`.

```
369 \tl_new:N \g_@@_preamble_tl
```

The following parameter corresponds to the key `columns-type` of the environments `{NiceMatrix}`, `{pNiceMatrix}`, etc. and also the key `matrix / columns-type` of `\NiceMatrixOptions`.

```
370 \tl_new:N \l_@@_columns_type_tl
371 \str_set:Nn \l_@@_columns_type_tl { c }
```

The following parameters correspond to the keys `down`, `up` and `middle` of a command such as `\Cdots`. Usually, the final user doesn't use that keys directly because he uses the syntax with the embellishments `_`, `^` and `:`.

```
372 \tl_new:N \l_@@_xdots_down_tl
373 \tl_new:N \l_@@_xdots_up_tl
374 \tl_new:N \l_@@_xdots_middle_tl
```

We will store in the following sequence informations provided by the instructions `\rowlistcolors` in the main array (not in the `\CodeBefore`).

```
375 \seq_new:N \g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq
```

```
376 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_math_mode:
377 {
378     \if_mode_math: \else:
379         \@@_fatal:n { Outside~math~mode }
380     \fi:
381 }
```

The list of the columns where vertical lines in sub-matrices (`vlism`) must be drawn. Of course, the actual value of this sequence will be known after the analyse of the preamble of the array.

```
382 \seq_new:N \g_@@_cols_vlism_seq
```

The following colors will be used to memorize the color of the potential “first col” and the potential “first row”.

```
383 \colorlet{nicematrix-last-col}{.}
384 \colorlet{nicematrix-last-row}{.}
```

The following string is the name of the current environment or the current command of `nicematrix` (despite its name which contains `env`).

```
385 \str_new:N \g_@@_name_env_str
```

The following string will contain the word *command* or *environment* whether we are in a command of `nicematrix` or in an environment of `nicematrix`. The default value is *environment*.

```
386 \tl_new:N \g_@@_com_or_env_str
387 \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_com_or_env_str { environment }

388 \bool_new:N \l_@@_bold_row_style_bool
```

The following command will be able to reconstruct the full name of the current command or environment (despite its name which contains `env`). This command must *not* be protected since it will be used in error messages and we have to use `\str_if_eq:onTF` and not `\tl_if_eq:NnTF` because we need to be fully expandable).

```
389 \cs_new:Npn \g_@@_full_name_env:
390 {
391     \str_if_eq:onTF \g_@@_com_or_env_str { command }
392     { command \space \c_backslash_str \g_@@_name_env_str }
393     { environment \space \{ \g_@@_name_env_str \} }
394 }
```

For the key `code` of the command `\SubMatrix` (itself in the main `\CodeAfter`), we will use the following token list.

```
395 \tl_new:N \l_@@_code_tl
```

For the key `pgf-node-code`. That code will be used when the nodes of the cells (that is to say the nodes of the form `i-j`) will be created.

```
396 \tl_new:N \l_@@_pgf_node_code_tl
```

The so-called `\CodeBefore` is splitted in two parts because we want to control the order of execution of some instructions.

```
397 \tl_new:N \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
398 \tl_new:N \g_nicematrix_code_before_tl
```

The value of the key `code-before` will be added to the left of `\g_@@_pre_code_before_tl`. Idem for the code between `\CodeBefore` and `\Body`.

The so-called `\CodeAfter` is splitted in two parts because we want to control the order of execution of some instructions.

```
399 \tl_new:N \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
400 \tl_new:N \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl
```

The `\CodeAfter` provided by the final user (with the key `code-after` or the keyword `\CodeAfter`) will be stored in the second token list.

```
401 \bool_new:N \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
```

The following parameter will be raised when a block content a & in its content (=label).

```
402 \bool_new:N \l_@@_ampersand_bool
```

The counters `\l_@@_old_iRow_int` and `\l_@@_old_jCol_int` will be used to save the values of the potential LaTeX counters `iRow` and `jCol`. These LaTeX counters will be restored at the end of the environment.

```
403 \int_new:N \l_@@_old_iRow_int
404 \int_new:N \l_@@_old_jCol_int
```

The TeX counters `\c@iRow` and `\c@jCol` will be created in the beginning of `{NiceArrayWithDelims}` (if they don't exist previously).

The following sequence will contain the names (without backslash) of the commands created by `custom-line` by the key `command` or `ccommand` (commands used by the final user in order to draw horizontal rules).

```
405 \seq_new:N \l_@@_custom_line_commands_seq
```

The following token list corresponds to the key `rules/color` available in the environments.

```
406 \tl_new:N \l_@@_rules_color_tl
```

The sum of the weights of all the X-columns in the preamble. The weight of a X-column is given as an optional argument between square brackets. The default value, of course, is 1.

```
407 \int_new:N \g_@@_total_X_weight_int
```

If there is at least one X-column in the preamble of the array, the following flag will be raised via the `aux` file. The length `\l_@@_x_columns_dim` will be the width of X-columns of weight 1 (the width of a column of weight n will be that dimension multiplied by n). That value is computed after the construction of the array during the first compilation in order to be used in the following run.

```
408 \bool_new:N \l_@@_X_columns_aux_bool
409 \dim_new:N \l_@@_X_columns_dim
```

This boolean will be used only to detect in an expandable way whether we are at the beginning of the (potential) column zero, in order to raise an error if `\Hdotsfor` is used in that column.

```
410 \bool_new:N \g_@@_after_col_zero_bool
```

A kind of false row will be inserted at the end of the array for the construction of the `col` nodes (and also to fix the width of the columns when `columns-width` is used). When this special row will be created, we will raise the flag `\g_@@_row_of_col_done_bool` in order to avoid some actions set in the redefinition of `\everycr` when the last `\cr` of the `\halign` will occur (after that row of `col` nodes).

```
411 \bool_new:N \g_@@_row_of_col_done_bool
```

It's possible to use the command `\NotEmpty` to specify explicitly that a cell must be considered as non empty by `nicematrix` (the Tikz nodes are constructed only in the non empty cells).

```
412 \bool_new:N \g_@@_not_empty_cell_bool
```

`\l_@@_code_before_tl` may contain two types of informations:

- A code-before written in the `aux` file by a previous run. When the `aux` file is read, this `code-before` is stored in `\g_@@_code_before_i_tl` (where i is the number of the environment) and, at the beginning of the environment, it will be put in `\l_@@_code_before_tl`.
- The final user can explicitly add material in `\l_@@_code_before_tl` by using the key `code-before` or the keyword `\CodeBefore` (with the keyword `\Body`).

```
413 \tl_new:N \l_@@_code_before_tl
414 \bool_new:N \l_@@_code_before_bool
```

The following token list will contain the code inserted in each cell of the current row (this token list will be cleared at the beginning of each row).

```
415 \tl_new:N \g_@@_row_style_tl
```

The following dimensions will be used when drawing the dotted lines.

```
416 \dim_new:N \l_@@_x_initial_dim
417 \dim_new:N \l_@@_y_initial_dim
418 \dim_new:N \l_@@_x_final_dim
419 \dim_new:N \l_@@_y_final_dim
```

The L3 programming layer provides scratch dimensions `\l_tmpa_dim` and `\l_tmpb_dim`. We creates two more in the same spirit.

```
420 \dim_new:N \l_@@_tmpc_dim
421 \dim_new:N \l_@@_tmpd_dim
```

```

422 \dim_new:N \g_@@_dp_row_zero_dim
423 \dim_new:N \g_@@_ht_row_zero_dim
424 \dim_new:N \g_@@_ht_row_one_dim
425 \dim_new:N \g_@@_dp_ante_last_row_dim
426 \dim_new:N \g_@@_ht_last_row_dim
427 \dim_new:N \g_@@_dp_last_row_dim

```

Some cells will be declared as “empty” (for example a cell with an instruction `\Cdots`).

```
428 \bool_new:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
```

The following dimensions will be used internally to compute the width of the potential “first column” and “last column”.

```

429 \dim_new:N \g_@@_width_last_col_dim
430 \dim_new:N \g_@@_width_first_col_dim

```

The following sequence will contain the characteristics of the blocks of the array, specified by the command `\Block`. Each block is represented by 6 components surrounded by curly braces:
`{imin}{jmin}{imax}{jmax}{options}{contents}`.

The variable is global because it will be modified in the cells of the array.

```
431 \seq_new:N \g_@@_blocks_seq
```

We also manage a sequence of the *positions* of the blocks. In that sequence, each block is represented by only five components: `{imin}{jmin}{imax}{jmax}{name}`. A block with the key `hvlines` won’t appear in that sequence (otherwise, the lines in that block would not be drawn!).

```
432 \seq_new:N \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
```

In fact, this sequence will also contain the positions of the cells with a `\diagbox`. The sequence `\g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq` will be used when we will draw the rules (which respect the blocks).

We will also manage a sequence for the positions of the dotted lines. These dotted lines are created in the array by `\Cdots`, `\Vdots`, `\Ddots`, etc. However, their positions, that is to say, their extremities, will be determined only after the construction of the array. In this sequence, each item contains five components: `{imin}{jmin}{imax}{jmax}{name}`.

```
433 \seq_new:N \g_@@_pos_of_xdots_seq
```

The sequence `\g_@@_pos_of_xdots_seq` will be used when we will draw the rules required by the key `hvlines` (these rules won’t be drawn within the virtual blocks corresponding to the dotted lines).

The final user may decide to “stroke” a block (using, for example, the key `draw=red!15` when using the command `\Block`). In that case, the rules specified, for instance, by `hvlines` must not be drawn around the block. That’s why we keep the information of all that stroken blocks in the following sequence.

```
434 \seq_new:N \g_@@_pos_of_stroken_blocks_seq
```

If the user has used the key `corners`, all the cells which are in an (empty) corner will be stored in the following sequence.

```
435 \seq_new:N \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
```

The list of the names of the potential `\SubMatrix` in the `\CodeAfter` of an environment. Unfortunately, that list has to be global (we have to use it inside the group for the options of a given `\SubMatrix`).

```
436 \seq_new:N \g_@@_submatrix_names_seq
```

The following flag will be raised if the key `width` is used in an environment `{NiceTabular}` (not in a command `\NiceMatrixOptions`). You use it to raise an error when this key is used while no column `X` is used.

```
437 \bool_new:N \l_@@_width_used_bool
```

The sequence `\g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq` will contain the list of the cells of the array where a command `\multicolumn{n}{...}{...}` with $n > 1$ is issued. In `\g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq`, the “sizes” (that is to say the values of n) correspondant will be stored. These lists will be used for the creation of the “medium nodes” (if they are created).

```
438 \seq_new:N \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq
439 \seq_new:N \g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq
```

The following counters will be used when searching the extremities of a dotted line (we need these counters because of the potential “open” lines in the `\SubMatrix`—the `\SubMatrix` in the `CodeBefore`).

```
440 \int_new:N \l_@@_row_min_int
441 \int_new:N \l_@@_row_max_int
442 \int_new:N \l_@@_col_min_int
443 \int_new:N \l_@@_col_max_int
```

The following counters will be used when drawing the rules.

```
444 \int_new:N \l_@@_start_int
445 \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_start_int \c_one_int
446 \int_new:N \l_@@_end_int
447 \int_new:N \l_@@_local_start_int
448 \int_new:N \l_@@_local_end_int
```

The following sequence will be used when the command `\SubMatrix` is used in the `\CodeBefore` (and not in the `\CodeAfter`). It will contain the position of all the sub-matrices specified in the `\CodeBefore`. Each sub-matrix is represented by an “object” of the form $\{i\}\{j\}\{k\}\{l\}$ where i and j are the number of row and column of the upper-left cell and k and l the number of row and column of the lower-right cell.

```
449 \seq_new:N \g_@@_submatrix_seq
```

We are able to determine the number of columns specified in the preamble (for the environments with explicit preamble of course and without the potential exterior columns).

```
450 \int_new:N \g_@@_static_num_of_col_int
```

The following parameters correspond to the keys `fill`, `opacity`, `draw`, `tikz`, `borders`, and `rounded-corners` of the command `\Block`.

```
451 \tl_new:N \l_@@_fill_tl
452 \tl_new:N \l_@@_opacity_tl
453 \tl_new:N \l_@@_draw_tl
454 \seq_new:N \l_@@_tikz_seq
455 \clist_new:N \l_@@_borders_clist
456 \dim_new:N \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim
```

The last parameter has no direct link with the [empty] corners of the array (which are computed and taken into account by `nicematrix` when the key `corners` is used).

The following dimension corresponds to the key `rounded-corners` available in an individual environment `{NiceTabular}`. When that key is used, a clipping is applied in the `\CodeBefore` of the environment in order to have rounded corners for the potential colored panels.

```
457 \dim_new:N \l_@@_tab_rounded_corners_dim
```

The following token list correspond to the key `color` of the command `\Block` and also the key `color` of the command `\RowStyle`.

```
458 \tl_new:N \l_@@_color_tl
```

In the key `tikz` of a command `\Block` or in the argument of a command `\TikzEveryCell`, the final user puts a list of tikz keys. But, you have added another key, named `offset` (which means that an offset will be used for the frame of the block or the cell). The following parameter corresponds to that key.

```
459 \dim_new:N \l_@@_offset_dim
```

Here is the dimension for the width of the rule when a block (created by `\Block`) is stroked.

```
460 \dim_new:N \l_@@_line_width_dim
```

The parameters of the horizontal position of the label of a block. If the user uses the key `c` or `C`, the value is `c`. If the user uses the key `l` or `L`, the value is `l`. If the user uses the key `r` or `R`, the value is `r`. If the user has used a capital letter, the boolean `\l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool` will be raised (in the second pass of the analyze of the keys of the command `\Block`).

```
461 \str_new:N \l_@@_hpos_block_str
462 \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str { c }
463 \bool_new:N \l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool
464 \bool_new:N \l_@@_p_block_bool
```

If the final user has used the special color “`nocolor`”, the following flag will be raised.

```
465 \bool_new:N \l_@@_nocolor_used_bool
```

For the vertical position, the possible values are `c`, `t`, `b`, `T` and `B` (but `\l_@@_vpos_block_str` will remain empty if the user doesn't use a key for the vertical position).

```
466 \str_new:N \l_@@_vpos_block_str
```

Used when the key `draw-first` is used for `\Ddots` or `\Iddots`.

```
467 \bool_new:N \l_@@_draw_first_bool
```

The following flag corresponds to the keys `vlines` and `hlines` of the command `\Block` (the key `hvlines` is the conjunction of both).

```
468 \bool_new:N \l_@@_vlines_block_bool
469 \bool_new:N \l_@@_hlines_block_bool
```

The blocks which use the key `-` will store their content in a box. These boxes are numbered with the following counter.

```
470 \int_new:N \g_@@_block_box_int

471 \dim_new:N \l_@@_submatrix_extra_height_dim
472 \dim_new:N \l_@@_submatrix_left_xshift_dim
473 \dim_new:N \l_@@_submatrix_right_xshift_dim
474 \clist_new:N \l_@@_hlines_clist
475 \clist_new:N \l_@@_vlines_clist
476 \clist_new:N \l_@@_submatrix_hlines_clist
477 \clist_new:N \l_@@_submatrix_vlines_clist
```

The following key is set when the keys `hvlines` and `hvlines-except-borders` are used. It's used only to change slightly the clipping path set by the key `rounded-corners` (for a `{tabular}`).

```
478 \bool_new:N \l_@@_hvlines_bool
```

The following flag will be used by (for instance) `\@@_vline_ii`. When `\l_@@_dotted_bool` is `true`, a dotted line (with our system) will be drawn.

```
479 \bool_new:N \l_@@_dotted_bool
```

The following flag will be set to true during the composition of a caption specified (by the key `caption`).

```
480 \bool_new:N \l_@@_in_caption_bool
```

Variables for the exterior rows and columns

The keys for the exterior rows and columns are `first-row`, `first-col`, `last-row` and `last-col`. However, internally, these keys are not coded in a similar way.

- **First row**

The integer `\l_@@_first_row_int` is the number of the first row of the array. The default value is 1, but, if the option `first-row` is used, the value will be 0.

```
481 \int_new:N \l_@@_first_row_int
482 \int_set:Nn \l_@@_first_row_int 1
```

- **First column**

The integer `\l_@@_first_col_int` is the number of the first column of the array. The default value is 1, but, if the option `first-col` is used, the value will be 0.

```
483   \int_new:N \l_@@_first_col_int
484   \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_first_col_int \c_one_int
```

- **Last row**

The counter `\l_@@_last_row_int` is the number of the potential “last row”, as specified by the key `last-row`. A value of `-2` means that there is no “last row”. A value of `-1` means that there is a “last row” but we don’t know the number of that row (the key `last-row` has been used without value and the actual value has not still been read in the `aux` file).

```
485   \int_new:N \l_@@_last_row_int
486   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_row_int { -2 }
```

If, in an environment like `{pNiceArray}`, the option `last-row` is used without value, we will globally raise the following flag. It will be used to know if we have, after the construction of the array, to write in the `aux` file the number of the “last row”.²

```
487   \bool_new:N \l_@@_last_row_without_value_bool
```

Idem for `\l_@@_last_col_without_value_bool`

```
488   \bool_new:N \l_@@_last_col_without_value_bool
```

- **Last column**

For the potential “last column”, we use an integer. A value of `-2` means that there is no last column. A value of `-1` means that we are in an environment without preamble (e.g. `{bNiceMatrix}`) and there is a last column but we don’t know its value because the user has used the option `last-col` without value. A value of 0 means that the option `last-col` has been used in an environment with preamble (like `{pNiceArray}`): in this case, the key was necessary without argument. The command `\NiceMatrixOptions` also sets `\l_@@_last_col_int` to 0.

```
489   \int_new:N \l_@@_last_col_int
490   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_col_int { -2 }
```

However, we have also a boolean. Consider the following code:

```
\begin{pNiceArray}{cc}[last-col]
  1 & 2 \\
  3 & 4
\end{pNiceArray}
```

In such a code, the “last column” specified by the key `last-col` is not used. We want to be able to detect such a situation and we create a boolean for that job.

```
491   \bool_new:N \g_@@_last_col_found_bool
```

This boolean is set to `false` at the end of `\@_pre_array_ii::`.

In the last column, we will raise the following flag (it will be used by `\OnlyMainNiceMatrix`).

```
492   \bool_new:N \l_@@_in_last_col_bool
```

²We can’t use `\l_@@_last_row_int` for this usage because, if `nicematrix` has read its value from the `aux` file, the value of the counter won’t be `-1` any longer.

Some utilities

```

493 \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #1-#2\q_stop
494 {
495     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { #1 }
496     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpb_tl { #2 }
497 }
```

The following takes as argument the name of a `clist` and which should be a list of intervals of integers. It *expands* that list, that is to say, it replaces (by a sort of `mapcan` or `flat_map`) the interval by the explicit list of the integers.

```

498 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_expand_clist:N #1
499 {
500     \clist_if_in:NVF #1 \c_@@_all_tl
501     {
502         \clist_clear:N \l_tmpa_clist
503         \clist_map_inline:Nn #1
504         {
505             \tl_if_in:nnTF { ##1 } { - }
506             { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w ##1 \q_stop }
507             {
508                 \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { ##1 }
509                 \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpb_tl { ##1 }
510             }
511             \int_step_inline:nnn \l_tmpa_tl \l_tmpb_tl
512             { \clist_put_right:Nn \l_tmpa_clist { #####1 } }
513         }
514         \tl_set_eq:NN #1 \l_tmpa_clist
515     }
516 }
```

The following internal parameters are for:

- `\Ldots` with both extremities open (and hence also `\Hdotsfor` in an exterior row);
- `\Vdots` with both extremities open (and hence also `\Vdotsfor` in an exterior column);
- when the special character “`:`” is used in order to put the label of a so-called “dotted line” *on the line*, a margin of `\c_@@_innersep_middle_dim` will be added around the label.

```

517 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
518 {
519     \dim_const:Nn \c_@@_shift_Ldots_last_row_dim { 0.5 em }
520     \dim_const:Nn \c_@@_shift_exterior_Vdots_dim { 0.6 em }
521     \dim_const:Nn \c_@@_innersep_middle_dim { 0.17 em }
522 }
```

6 The command `\tabularnote`

Of course, it's possible to use `\tabularnote` in the main `tabular`. But there is also the possibility to use that command in the caption of the `tabular`. And the caption may be specified by two means:

- The caption may of course be provided by the command `\caption` in a floating environment. Of course, a command `\tabularnote` in that `\caption` makes sens only if the `\caption` is *before* the `{tabular}`.

- It's also possible to use `\tabularnote` in the value of the key `caption` of the `{NiceTabular}` when the key `caption-above` is in force. However, in that case, one must remind that the caption is composed *after* the composition of the box which contains the main tabular (that's mandatory since that caption must be wrapped with a line width equal to the width of the tabular). However, we want the labels of the successive tabular notes in the logical order. That's why:
 - The number of tabular notes present in the caption will be written on the `aux` file and available in `\g_@@_notes_caption_int`.³
 - During the composition of the main tabular, the tabular notes will be numbered from `\g_@@_notes_caption_int+1` and the notes will be stored in `\g_@@_notes_seq`. Each component of `\g_@@_notes_seq` will be a kind of couple of the form : `{label}{text of the tabularnote}`. The first component is the optional argument (between square brackets) of the command `\tabularnote` (if the optional argument is not used, the value will be the special marker expressed by `\c_novalue_t1`).
 - During the composition of the caption (value of `\l_@@_caption_t1`), the tabular notes will be numbered from 1 to `\g_@@_notes_caption_int` and the notes themselves will be stored in `\g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq`. The structure of the components of that sequence will be the same as for `\g_@@_notes_seq`.
 - After the composition of the main tabular and after the composition of the caption, the sequences `\g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq` and `\g_@@_notes_seq` will be merged (in that order) and the notes will be composed.

The LaTeX counter `tabularnote` will be used to count the tabular notes during the construction of the array (this counter won't be used during the composition of the notes at the end of the array). You use a LaTeX counter because we will use `\refstepcounter` in order to have the tabular notes referenceable.

```
523 \newcounter{tabularnote}
```

We want to avoid error messages for duplicate labels when the package `hyperref` is used. That's why we will count all the tabular notes of the whole document with `\g_@@_tabularnote_int`.

```
524 \int_new:N \g_@@_tabularnote_int
525 \cs_set:Npn \theHtabularnote { \int_use:N \g_@@_tabularnote_int }
526 \seq_new:N \g_@@_notes_seq
527 \seq_new:N \g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq
```

Before the actual tabular notes, it's possible to put a text specified by the key `tabularnote` of the environment. The token list `\g_@@_tabularnote_t1` corresponds to the value of that key.

```
528 \tl_new:N \g_@@_tabularnote_t1
```

We prepare the tools for the formatting of the references of the footnotes (in the tabular itself). There may have several references of footnote at the same point and we have to take into account that point.

```
529 \seq_new:N \l_@@_notes_labels_seq
530 \newcounter{nicematrix_draft}
531 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_notes_format:n #1
532 {
533   \setcounter{nicematrix_draft}{#1}
534   \@@_notes_style:n {nicematrix_draft}
535 }
```

The following function can be redefined by using the key `notes/style`.

```
536 \cs_new:Npn \@@_notes_style:n #1 { \textit{ \alph{#1} } }
```

³More precisely, it's the number of tabular notes which do not use the optional argument of `\tabularnote`.

The following fonction can be redefined by using the key `notes/label-in-tabular`.

```
537 \cs_new:Npn \@@_notes_label_in_tabular:n #1 { \textsuperscript { #1 } }
```

The following function can be redefined by using the key `notes/label-in-list`.

```
538 \cs_new:Npn \@@_notes_label_in_list:n #1 { \textsuperscript { #1 } }
```

We define `\thetabularnote` because it will be used by LaTeX if the user want to reference a tabular which has been marked by a `\label`. The TeX group is for the case where the user has put an instruction such as `\color{red}` in `\@@_notes_style:n`.

```
539 \cs_set:Npn \thetabularnote { \@@_notes_style:n { tabularnote } }
```

The tabular notes will be available for the final user only when `enumitem` is loaded. Indeed, the tabular notes will be composed at the end of the array with a list customized by `enumitem` (a list `tabularnotes` in the general case and a list `tabularnotes*` if the key `para` is in force). However, we can test whether `enumitem` has been loaded only at the beginning of the document (we want to allow the user to load `enumitem` after `nicematrix`).

```
540 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
541 {
542   \IfPackageLoadedTF { enumitem }
543   {

```

The type of list `tabularnotes` will be used to format the tabular notes at the end of the array in the general case and `tabularnotes*` will be used if the key `para` is in force.

```
544   \newlist { tabularnotes } { enumerate } { 1 }
545   \setlist [ tabularnotes ]
546   {
547     topsep = 0pt ,
548     noitemsep ,
549     leftmargin = * ,
550     align = left ,
551     labelsep = 0pt ,
552     label =
553       \@@_notes_label_in_list:n { \@@_notes_style:n { tabularnotesi } } ,
554   }
555   \newlist { tabularnotes* } { enumerate* } { 1 }
556   \setlist [ tabularnotes* ]
557   {
558     afterlabel = \nobreak ,
559     itemjoin = \quad ,
560     label =
561       \@@_notes_label_in_list:n { \@@_notes_style:n { tabularnotes*i } }
562 }
```

One must remind that we have allowed a `\tabular` in the caption and that caption may also be found in the list of tables (`\listoftables`). We want the command `\tabularnote` be no-op during the composition of that list. That's why we program `\tabularnote` to be no-op excepted in a floating environment or in an environment of `nicematrix`.

```
563 \NewDocumentCommand \tabularnote { o m }
564 {
565   \bool_lazy_or:nnT { \cs_if_exist_p:N \captype } \l_@@_in_env_bool
566   {
567     \bool_lazy_and:nnTF { ! \l_@@_tabular_bool } \l_@@_in_env_bool
568     { \@@_error:n { tabularnote-forbidden } }
569     {
570       \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_in_caption_bool
571         \@@_tabularnote_caption:nn
572         \@@_tabularnote:nn
573         { #1 } { #2 }
574     }
575 }
```

```

576     }
577   }
578 {
579   \NewDocumentCommand \tabularnote { o m }
580   {
581     \@@_error_or_warning:n { enumitem-not-loaded }
582     \@@_gredirect_none:n { enumitem-not-loaded }
583   }
584 }
585 }

586 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_first_novalue:nnn #1 #2 #3
587   { \tl_if_novalue:nT { #1 } { #3 } }

```

For the version in normal conditions, that is to say not in the `caption`. #1 is the optional argument of `\tabularnote` (maybe equal to the special marker expressed by `\c_novalue_tl`) and #2 is the mandatory argument of `\tabularnote`.

```

588 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_tabularnote:nn #1 #2
589   {

```

You have to see whether the argument of `\tabularnote` has yet been used as argument of another `\tabularnote` in the same tabular. In that case, there will be only one note (for both commands `\tabularnote`) at the end of the tabular. We search the argument of our command `\tabularnote` in `\g_@@_notes_seq`. The position in the sequence will be stored in `\l_tmpa_int` (0 if the text is not in the sequence yet).

```

590   \int_zero:N \l_tmpa_int
591   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_notes_detect_duplicates_bool
592   {

```

We recall that each component of `\g_@@_notes_seq` is a kind of couple of the form

`{label}{text of the tabularnote}.`

If the user have used `\tabularnote` without the optional argument, the `label` will be the special marker expressed by `\c_novalue_tl`.

When we will go through the sequence `\g_@@_notes_seq`, we will count in `\l_tmpb_int` the notes without explicit label in order to have the “current” value of the counter `\c@tabularnote`.

```

593   \int_zero:N \l_tmpb_int
594   \seq_map_indexed_inline:Nn \g_@@_notes_seq
595   {
596     \@@_test_first_novalue:nnn ##2 { \int_incr:N \l_tmpb_int }
597     \tl_if_eq:nnT { { #1 } { #2 } } { ##2 }
598     {
599       \tl_if_novalue:nTF { #1 }
600         { \int_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_int \l_tmpb_int
601           { \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int { ##1 } }
602         \seq_map_break:
603       }
604     }
605     \int_if_zero:nF \l_tmpa_int
606       { \int_add:Nn \l_tmpa_int \g_@@_notes_caption_int }
607   }
608   \int_if_zero:nT \l_tmpa_int
609   {
610     \seq_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_notes_seq { { #1 } { #2 } }
611     \tl_if_novalue:nT { #1 } { \int_gincr:N \c@tabularnote }
612   }
613   \seq_put_right:Nx \l_@@_notes_labels_seq
614   {
615     \tl_if_novalue:nTF { #1 }
616     {
617       \@@_notes_format:n
618       {
619         \int_eval:n

```

```

620           {
621             \int_if_zero:nTF \l_tmpa_int
622               \c@tabularnote
623               \l_tmpa_int
624             }
625           }
626         { #1 }
627       }
628     \peek_meaning:NF \tabularnote
629     {

```

If the following token is *not* a `\tabularnote`, we have finished the sequence of successive commands `\tabularnote` and we have to format the labels of these tabular notes (in the array). We compose those labels in a box `\l_tmpa_box` because we will do a special construction in order to have this box in an overlapping position if we are at the end of a cell when `\l_@@_hpos_cell_tl` is equal to `c` or `r`.

```

631   \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box
632   {

```

We remind that it is the command `\@@_notes_label_in_tabular:n` that will put the labels in a `\textsuperscript`.

```

633   \@@_notes_label_in_tabular:n
634   {
635     \seq_use:Nnnn
636       \l_@@_notes_labels_seq { , } { , } { , }
637   }
638 }

```

We want the (last) tabular note referenceable (with the standard command `\label`).

```

639   \int_gdecr:N \c@tabularnote
640   \int_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_int \c@tabularnote

```

The following line is only to avoid error messages for multiply defined labels when the package `hyperref` is used.

```

641   \int_gincr:N \g_@@_tabularnote_int
642   \refstepcounter{tabularnote}
643   \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_int = \c@tabularnote
644     { \int_gincr:N \c@tabularnote }
645   \seq_clear:N \l_@@_notes_labels_seq
646   \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
647     { \tl_if_eq_p:NN \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl \c_@@_c_tl }
648     { \tl_if_eq_p:NN \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl \c_@@_r_tl }
649   {
650     \hbox_overlap_right:n { \box_use:N \l_tmpa_box }

```

If the command `\tabularnote` is used exactly at the end of the cell, the `\unskip` (inserted by `array?`) will delete the skip we insert now and the label of the footnote will be composed in an overlapping position (by design).

```

651   \skip_horizontal:n { \box_wd:N \l_tmpa_box }
652   }
653   { \box_use:N \l_tmpa_box }
654 }
655 }

```

Now the version when the command is used in the key `caption`. The main difficulty is that the argument of the command `\caption` is composed several times. In order to know the number of commands `\tabularnote` in the caption, we will consider that there should not be the same tabular note twice in the caption (in the main tabular, it's possible). Once we have found a tabular note which has yet been encountered, we consider that you are in a new composition of the argument of `\caption`.

```

656 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_tabularnote_caption:nn #1 #2
657 {
658   \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_caption_finished_bool
659   {

```

```

660     \int_compare:nNnT \c@tabularnote = \g_@@_notes_caption_int
661     { \int_gzero:N \c@tabularnote }

```

Now, we try to detect duplicate notes in the caption. Be careful! We must put `\tl_if_in:NnF` and not `\tl_if_in:NnT`!

```

662     \seq_if_in:NnF \g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq { { #1 } { #2 } }
663     { \@@_error:n { Identical~notes-in~caption } }
664   }
665   {

```

In the following code, we are in the first composition of the caption or at the first `\tabularnote` of the second composition.

```

666   \seq_if_in:NnTF \g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq { { #1 } { #2 } }
667   {

```

Now, we know that are in the second composition of the caption since we are reading a tabular note which has yet been read. Now, the value of `\g_@@_notes_caption_int` won't change anymore: it's the number of uses *without optional argument* of the command `\tabularnote` in the caption.

```

668     \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_caption_finished_bool
669     \int_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_notes_caption_int \c@tabularnote
670     \int_gzero:N \c@tabularnote
671   }
672   { \seq_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq { { #1 } { #2 } } }
673 }

```

Now, we will compose the label of the footnote (in the caption). Even if we are not in the first composition, we have to compose that label!

```

674   \tl_if_novalue:nT { #1 } { \int_gincr:N \c@tabularnote }
675   \seq_put_right:Nx \l_@@_notes_labels_seq
676   {
677     \tl_if_novalue:nTF { #1 }
678     { \@@_notes_format:n { \int_use:N \c@tabularnote } }
679     { #1 }
680   }
681   \peek_meaning:NF \tabularnote
682   {
683     \@@_notes_label_in_tabular:n
684     { \seq_use:Nnnn \l_@@_notes_labels_seq { , } { , } { , } }
685     \seq_clear:N \l_@@_notes_labels_seq
686   }
687 }
688 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_count_novalue_first:nn #1 #2
689   { \tl_if_novalue:nT { #1 } { \int_gincr:N \g_@@_notes_caption_int } }

```

7 Command for creation of rectangle nodes

The following command should be used in a `{pgfpicture}`. It creates a rectangle (empty but with a name).

#1 is the name of the node which will be created; #2 and #3 are the coordinates of one of the corner of the rectangle; #4 and #5 are the coordinates of the opposite corner.

```

690 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
691   {
692     \begin{pgfscope}
693       \pgfset
694       {
695         inner sep = \c_zero_dim ,
696         minimum size = \c_zero_dim
697       }
698       \pgftransformshift { \pgfpoint { 0.5 * ( #2 + #4 ) } { 0.5 * ( #3 + #5 ) } }
699       \pgfnode
700       { rectangle }

```

```

701 { center }
702 {
703   \vbox_to_ht:nn
704     { \dim_abs:n { #5 - #3 } }
705   {
706     \vfill
707     \hbox_to_wd:nn { \dim_abs:n { #4 - #2 } } { }
708   }
709 }
710 { #1 }
711 { }
712 \end{ { pgfscope }
713 }
```

The command `\@@_pgf_rect_node:nnn` is a variant of `\@@_pgf_rect_node:nnnn`: it takes two PGF points as arguments instead of the four dimensions which are the coordinates.

```

714 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnn #1 #2 #3
715 {
716   \begin{ { pgfscope }
717     \pgfset
718     {
719       inner_sep = \c_zero_dim ,
720       minimum_size = \c_zero_dim
721     }
722     \pgftransformshift { \pgfpointscale { 0.5 } { \pgfpointadd { #2 } { #3 } } }
723     \pgfpointdiff { #3 } { #2 }
724     \pgfgetlastxy \l_tmpa_dim \l_tmpb_dim
725     \pgfnode
726       { rectangle }
727       { center }
728     {
729       \vbox_to_ht:nn
730         { \dim_abs:n \l_tmpb_dim }
731         { \vfill \hbox_to_wd:nn { \dim_abs:n \l_tmpa_dim } { } }
732     }
733   { #1 }
734   { }
735 \end{ { pgfscope }
736 }
```

8 The options

The following parameter corresponds to the keys `caption`, `short-caption` and `label` of the environment `{NiceTabular}`.

```

737 \tl_new:N \l_@@_caption_tl
738 \tl_new:N \l_@@_short_caption_tl
739 \tl_new:N \l_@@_label_tl
```

The following parameter corresponds to the key `caption-above` of `\NiceMatrixOptions`. When this parameter is `true`, the captions of the environments `{NiceTabular}`, specified with the key `caption` are put above the tabular (and below elsewhere).

```
740 \bool_new:N \l_@@_caption_above_bool
```

By default, the commands `\cellcolor` and `\rowcolor` are available for the user in the cells of the tabular (the user may use the commands provided by `\colortbl`). However, if the key `color-inside` is used, these commands are available.

```
741 \bool_new:N \l_@@_color_inside_bool
```

By default, the behaviour of `\cline` is changed in the environments of `nicematrix`: a `\cline` spreads the array by an amount equal to `\arrayrulewidth`. It's possible to disable this feature with the key `\l_@@_standard_cline_bool`.

```
742 \bool_new:N \l_@@_standard_cline_bool
```

The following dimensions correspond to the options `cell-space-top-limit` and co (these parameters are inspired by the package `cellspace`).

```
743 \dim_new:N \l_@@_cell_space_top_limit_dim
744 \dim_new:N \l_@@_cell_space_bottom_limit_dim
```

The following parameter corresponds to the key `xdots/horizontal_labels`.

```
745 \bool_new:N \l_@@_xdots_h_labels_bool
```

The following dimension is the distance between two dots for the dotted lines (when `line-style` is equal to `standard`, which is the initial value). The initial value is 0.45 em but it will be changed if the option `small` is used.

```
746 \dim_new:N \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim
747 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
748 { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim { 0.45 em } }
```

The unit is `em` and that's why we fix the dimension after the preamble.

The following dimension is the distance between a node (in fact an anchor of that node) and a dotted line (for real dotted lines, the actual distance may, of course, be a bit larger, depending of the exact position of the dots).

```
749 \dim_new:N \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim
750 \dim_new:N \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim
751 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
752 {
753 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim { 0.3 em }
754 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim { 0.3 em }
755 }
```

The unit is `em` and that's why we fix the dimension after the preamble.

The following dimension is the radius of the dots for the dotted lines (when `line-style` is equal to `standard`, which is the initial value). The initial value is 0.53 pt but it will be changed if the option `small` is used.

```
756 \dim_new:N \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim
757 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
758 { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim { 0.53 pt } }
```

The unit is `em` and that's why we fix the dimension after the preamble.

The token list `\l_@@_xdots_line_style_tl` corresponds to the option `tikz` of the commands `\Cdots`, `\Ldots`, etc. and of the options `line-style` for the environments and `\NiceMatrixOptions`. The constant `\c_@@_standard_tl` will be used in some tests.

```
759 \tl_new:N \l_@@_xdots_line_style_tl
760 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_standard_tl { standard }
761 \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_xdots_line_style_tl \c_@@_standard_tl
```

The boolean `\l_@@_light_syntax_bool` corresponds to the option `light-syntax` and the boolean `\l_@@_light_syntax_expanded_bool` correspond to the the option `light-syntax-expanded`.

```
762 \bool_new:N \l_@@_light_syntax_bool
763 \bool_new:N \l_@@_light_syntax_expanded_bool
```

The string `\l_@@_baseline_tl` may contain one of the three values `t`, `c` or `b` as in the option of the environment `{array}`. However, it may also contain an integer (which represents the number of the row to which align the array).

```
764 \tl_new:N \l_@@_baseline_tl
765 \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_baseline_tl { c }
```

The following parameter corresponds to the key `ampersand-in-blocks`

```
766 \bool_new:N \l_@@_amp_in_blocks_bool
```

The flag `\l_@@_exterior_arraycolsep_bool` corresponds to the option `exterior-arraycolsep`. If this option is set, a space equal to `\arraycolsep` will be put on both sides of an environment `{NiceArray}` (as it is done in `{array}` of `array`).

```
767 \bool_new:N \l_@@_exterior_arraycolsep_bool
```

The flag `\l_@@_parallelize_diags_bool` controls whether the diagonals are parallelized. The initial value is `true`.

```
768 \bool_new:N \l_@@_parallelize_diags_bool
769 \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_parallelize_diags_bool
```

The following parameter correspond to the key `corners`. The elements of that `clist` must be within NW, SW, NE and SE.

```
770 \clist_new:N \l_@@_corners_clist
```

```
771 \dim_new:N \l_@@_notes_above_space_dim
772 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
773 { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_notes_above_space_dim { 1 mm } }
```

We use a hook only by security in case `revtex4-1` is used (even though it is obsolete).

The flag `\l_@@_nullify_dots_bool` corresponds to the option `nullify-dots`. When the flag is down, the instructions like `\vdots` are inserted within a `\phantom` (and so the constructed matrix has exactly the same size as a matrix constructed with the classical `{matrix}` and `\ldots`, `\vdots`, etc.).

```
774 \bool_new:N \l_@@_nullify_dots_bool
```

When the key `respect-arraystretch` is used, the following command will be nullified.

```
775 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_reset_arraystretch:
776 { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \arraystretch { 1 } }
```

The following flag will be used when the current options specify that all the columns of the array must have the same width equal to the largest width of a cell of the array (except the cells of the potential exterior columns).

```
777 \bool_new:N \l_@@_auto_columns_width_bool
```

The following boolean corresponds to the key `create-cell-nodes` of the keyword `\CodeBefore`.

```
778 \bool_new:N \g_@@_recreate_cell_nodes_bool
```

The string `\l_@@_name_str` will contain the optional name of the environment: this name can be used to access to the Tikz nodes created in the array from outside the environment.

```
779 \str_new:N \l_@@_name_str
```

The boolean `\l_@@_medium_nodes_bool` will be used to indicate whether the “medium nodes” are created in the array. Idem for the “large nodes”.

```
780 \bool_new:N \l_@@_medium_nodes_bool
781 \bool_new:N \l_@@_large_nodes_bool
```

The boolean `\l_@@_except_borders_bool` will be raised when the key `hvlines-except-borders` will be used (but that key has also other effects).

```
782 \bool_new:N \l_@@_except_borders_bool
```

The dimension `\l_@@_left_margin_dim` correspond to the option `left-margin`. Idem for the right margin. These parameters are involved in the creation of the “medium nodes” but also in the placement of the delimiters and the drawing of the horizontal dotted lines (`\hdottedline`).

```
783 \dim_new:N \l_@@_left_margin_dim
784 \dim_new:N \l_@@_right_margin_dim
```

The dimensions `\l_@@_extra_left_margin_dim` and `\l_@@_extra_right_margin_dim` correspond to the options `extra-left-margin` and `extra-right-margin`.

```
785 \dim_new:N \l_@@_extra_left_margin_dim
786 \dim_new:N \l_@@_extra_right_margin_dim
```

The token list `\l_@@_end_of_row_tl` corresponds to the option `end-of-row`. It specifies the symbol used to mark the ends of rows when the light syntax is used.

```
787 \tl_new:N \l_@@_end_of_row_tl
788 \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_end_of_row_tl { ; }
```

The following parameter is for the color the dotted lines drawn by `\Cdots`, `\Ldots`, `\Vdots`, `\Ddots`, `\Iddots` and `\Hdotsfor` but *not* the dotted lines drawn by `\hdottedline` and “`:`”.

```
789 \tl_new:N \l_@@_xdots_color_tl
```

The following token list corresponds to the key `delimiters/color`.

```
790 \tl_new:N \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl
```

Sometimes, we want to have several arrays vertically juxtaposed in order to have an alignment of the columns of these arrays. To achieve this goal, one may wish to use the same width for all the columns (for example with the option `columns-width` or the option `auto-columns-width` of the environment `{NiceMatrixBlock}`). However, even if we use the same type of delimiters, the width of the delimiters may be different from an array to another because the width of the delimiter is function of its size. That’s why we create an option called `delimiters/max-width` which will give to the delimiters the width of a delimiter (of the same type) of big size. The following boolean corresponds to this option.

```
791 \bool_new:N \l_@@_delimiters_max_width_bool
```

```
792 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / xdots }
793 {
794   shorten-start .code:n =
795     \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
796     { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim { #1 } } ,
797   shorten-end .code:n =
798     \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
799     { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim { #1 } } ,
800   shorten-start .value_required:n = true ,
801   shorten-end .value_required:n = true ,
802   shorten .code:n =
803     \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
804     {
805       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim { #1 }
806       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim { #1 }
807     } ,
808   shorten .value_required:n = true ,
809   horizontal-labels .bool_set:N = \l_@@_xdots_h_labels_bool ,
810   horizontal-labels .default:n = true ,
811   line-style .code:n =
812   {
813     \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
814       { \cs_if_exist_p:N \tikzpicture }
815       { \str_if_eq_p:nn { #1 } { standard } }
816       { \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_line_style_tl { #1 } }
817       { \@@_error:n { bad-option-for-line-style } }
818   } ,
```

```

819   line-style .value_required:n = true ,
820   color .tl_set:Nn = \l_@@_xdots_color_tl ,
821   color .value_required:n = true ,
822   radius .code:n =
823     \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
824     { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim { #1 } } ,
825   radius .value_required:n = true ,
826   inter .code:n =
827     \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
828     { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim { #1 } } ,
829   radius .value_required:n = true ,

```

The options `down`, `up` and `middle` are not documented for the final user because he should use the syntax with `^`, `_` and `::`. We use `\tl_put_right:Nn` and not `\tl_set:Nn` (or `.tl_set:N`) because we don't want a direct use of `up=...` erased by an absent `^{...}`.

```

830   down .code:n = \tl_put_right:Nn \l_@@_xdots_down_tl { #1 } ,
831   up .code:n = \tl_put_right:Nn \l_@@_xdots_up_tl { #1 } ,
832   middle .code:n = \tl_put_right:Nn \l_@@_xdots_middle_tl { #1 } ,

```

The key `draw-first`, which is meant to be used only with `\Ddots` and `\Idots`, will be catched when `\Ddots` or `\Idots` is used (during the construction of the array and not when we draw the dotted lines).

```

833   draw-first .code:n = \prg_do_nothing: ,
834   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown~key~for~xdots }
835 }

836 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / rules }
837 {
838   color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_rules_color_tl ,
839   color .value_required:n = true ,
840   width .dim_set:N = \arrayrulewidth ,
841   width .value_required:n = true ,
842   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown~key~for~rules }
843 }

```

First, we define a set of keys “`nicematrix / Global`” which will be used (with the mechanism of `.inherit:n`) by other sets of keys.

```

844 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / Global }
845 {
846   ampersand-in-blocks .bool_set:N = \l_@@_amp_in_blocks_bool ,
847   ampersand-in-blocks .default:n = true ,
848   &-in-blocks .meta:n = ampersand-in-blocks ,
849   no-cell-nodes .code:n =
850     \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_node_for_cell:
851       { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box } ,
852   no-cell-nodes .value_forbidden:n = true ,
853   rounded-corners .dim_set:N = \l_@@_tab_rounded_corners_dim ,
854   rounded-corners .default:n = 4 pt ,
855   custom-line .code:n = \@@_custom_line:n { #1 } ,
856   rules .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / rules } { #1 } ,
857   rules .value_required:n = true ,
858   standard-cline .bool_set:N = \l_@@_standard_cline_bool ,
859   standard-cline .default:n = true ,
860   cell-space-top-limit .dim_set:N = \l_@@_cell_space_top_limit_dim ,
861   cell-space-top-limit .value_required:n = true ,
862   cell-space-bottom-limit .dim_set:N = \l_@@_cell_space_bottom_limit_dim ,
863   cell-space-bottom-limit .value_required:n = true ,
864   cell-space-limits .meta:n =
865   {
866     cell-space-top-limit = #1 ,
867     cell-space-bottom-limit = #1 ,
868   },

```

```

869 cell-space-limits .value_required:n = true ,
870 xdots .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #1 } ,
871 light-syntax .code:n =
872   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_light_syntax_bool
873   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_light_syntax_expanded_bool ,
874 light-syntax .value_forbidden:n = true ,
875 light-syntax-expanded .code:n =
876   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_light_syntax_bool
877   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_light_syntax_expanded_bool ,
878 light-syntax-expanded .value_forbidden:n = true ,
879 end-of-row .tl_set:N = \l_@@_end_of_row_tl ,
880 end-of-row .value_required:n = true ,
881 first-col .code:n = \int_zero:N \l_@@_first_col_int ,
882 first-row .code:n = \int_zero:N \l_@@_first_row_int ,
883 last-row .int_set:N = \l_@@_last_row_int ,
884 last-row .default:n = -1 ,
885 code-for-first-col .tl_set:N = \l_@@_code_for_first_col_tl ,
886 code-for-first-col .value_required:n = true ,
887 code-for-last-col .tl_set:N = \l_@@_code_for_last_col_tl ,
888 code-for-last-col .value_required:n = true ,
889 code-for-first-row .tl_set:N = \l_@@_code_for_first_row_tl ,
890 code-for-first-row .value_required:n = true ,
891 code-for-last-row .tl_set:N = \l_@@_code_for_last_row_tl ,
892 code-for-last-row .value_required:n = true ,
893 hlines .clist_set:N = \l_@@_hlines_clist ,
894 vlines .clist_set:N = \l_@@_vlines_clist ,
895 hlines .default:n = all ,
896 vlines .default:n = all ,
897 vlines-in-sub-matrix .code:n =
898 {
899   \tl_if_single_token:nTF { #1 }
900   {
901     \tl_if_in:NnTF \c_@@_forbidden_letters_tl { #1 }
902     { \@@_error:nn { Forbidden-letter } { #1 } }

```

We write directly a command for the automata which reads the preamble provided by the final user.

```

903   { \cs_set_eq:cN { @@_ #1 } \@@_make_preamble_vlism:n }
904   }
905   { \@@_error:n { One-letter~allowed } }
906 },
907 vlines-in-sub-matrix .value_required:n = true ,
908 hlines .code:n =
909 {
910   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_hvlines_bool
911   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_vlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
912   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
913 },
914 hvlines-except-borders .code:n =
915 {
916   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_vlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
917   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
918   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_hvlines_bool
919   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_except_borders_bool
920 },
921 parallelize-diags .bool_set:N = \l_@@_parallelize_diags_bool ,

```

With the option `renew-dots`, the command `\cdots`, `\ldots`, `\vdots`, `\ddots`, etc. are redefined and behave like the commands `\Cdots`, `\Ldots`, `\Vdots`, `\Ddots`, etc.

```

922 renew-dots .bool_set:N = \l_@@_renew_dots_bool ,
923 renew-dots .value_forbidden:n = true ,
924 nullify-dots .bool_set:N = \l_@@_nullify_dots_bool ,
925 create-medium-nodes .bool_set:N = \l_@@_medium_nodes_bool ,
926 create-large-nodes .bool_set:N = \l_@@_large_nodes_bool ,

```

```

927   create-extra-nodes .meta:n =
928     { create-medium-nodes , create-large-nodes } ,
929   left-margin .dim_set:N = \l_@@_left_margin_dim ,
930   left-margin .default:n = \arraycolsep ,
931   right-margin .dim_set:N = \l_@@_right_margin_dim ,
932   right-margin .default:n = \arraycolsep ,
933   margin .meta:n = { left-margin = #1 , right-margin = #1 } ,
934   margin .default:n = \arraycolsep ,
935   extra-left-margin .dim_set:N = \l_@@_extra_left_margin_dim ,
936   extra-right-margin .dim_set:N = \l_@@_extra_right_margin_dim ,
937   extra-margin .meta:n =
938     { extra-left-margin = #1 , extra-right-margin = #1 } ,
939   extra-margin .value_required:n = true ,
940   respect-arraystretch .code:n =
941     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_reset_arraystretch: \prg_do_nothing: ,
942   respect-arraystretch .value_forbidden:n = true ,
943   pgf-node-code .tl_set:N = \l_@@_pgf_node_code_tl ,
944   pgf-node-code .value_required:n = true
945 }

```

We define a set of keys used by the environments of `nicematrix` (but not by the command `\NiceMatrixOptions`).

```

946 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / environments }
947 {
948   corners .clist_set:N = \l_@@_corners_clist ,
949   corners .default:n = { NW , SW , NE , SE } ,
950   code-before .code:n =
951   {
952     \tl_if_empty:nF { #1 }
953     {
954       \tl_gput_left:Nn \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl { #1 }
955       \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_code_before_bool
956     }
957   },
958   code-before .value_required:n = true ,

```

The options `c`, `t` and `b` of the environment `{NiceArray}` have the same meaning as the option of the classical environment `{array}`.

```

959   c .code:n = \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_baseline_tl c ,
960   t .code:n = \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_baseline_tl t ,
961   b .code:n = \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_baseline_tl b ,
962   baseline .tl_set:N = \l_@@_baseline_tl ,
963   baseline .value_required:n = true ,
964   columns-width .code:n =
965     \tl_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } { auto }
966     { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_auto_columns_width_bool }
967     { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_columns_width_dim { #1 } } ,
968   columns-width .value_required:n = true ,
969   name .code:n =

```

We test whether we are in the measuring phase of an environment of `amsmath` (always loaded by `nicematrix`) because we want to avoid a fallacious message of duplicate name in this case.

```

970   \legacy_if:nF { measuring@ }
971   {
972     \str_set:Nx \l_tmpa_str { #1 }
973     \seq_if_in:NVTF \g_@@_names_seq \l_tmpa_str
974       { \@@_error:nn { Duplicate-name } { #1 } }
975       { \seq_gput_left:NV \g_@@_names_seq \l_tmpa_str }
976     \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_name_str \l_tmpa_str
977   },
978   name .value_required:n = true ,
979   code-after .tl_gset:N = \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl ,

```

```

980     code-after .value_required:n = true ,
981     color-inside .code:n =
982       \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_color_inside_bool
983       \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_code_before_bool ,
984     color-inside .value_forbidden:n = true ,
985     colortbl-like .meta:n = color-inside
986   }
987 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / notes }
988 {
989   para .bool_set:N = \l_@@_notes_para_bool ,
990   para .default:n = true ,
991   code-before .tl_set:N = \l_@@_notes_code_before_tl ,
992   code-before .value_required:n = true ,
993   code-after .tl_set:N = \l_@@_notes_code_after_tl ,
994   code-after .value_required:n = true ,
995   bottomrule .bool_set:N = \l_@@_notes_bottomrule_bool ,
996   bottomrule .default:n = true ,
997   style .cs_set:Np = \@@_notes_style:n #1 ,
998   style .value_required:n = true ,
999   label-in-tabular .cs_set:Np = \@@_notes_label_in_tabular:n #1 ,
1000   label-in-tabular .value_required:n = true ,
1001   label-in-list .cs_set:Np = \@@_notes_label_in_list:n #1 ,
1002   label-in-list .value_required:n = true ,
1003   enumitem-keys .code:n =
1004   {
1005     \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
1006     {
1007       \IfPackageLoadedTF { enumitem }
1008         { \setlist* [ tabularnotes ] { #1 } }
1009         { }
1010     }
1011   },
1012   enumitem-keys .value_required:n = true ,
1013   enumitem-keys-para .code:n =
1014   {
1015     \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
1016     {
1017       \IfPackageLoadedTF { enumitem }
1018         { \setlist* [ tabularnotes* ] { #1 } }
1019         { }
1020     }
1021   },
1022   enumitem-keys-para .value_required:n = true ,
1023   detect-duplicates .bool_set:N = \l_@@_notes_detect_duplicates_bool ,
1024   detect-duplicates .default:n = true ,
1025   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown~key~for~notes }
1026 }
1027 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / delimiters }
1028 {
1029   max-width .bool_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_max_width_bool ,
1030   max-width .default:n = true ,
1031   color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
1032   color .value_required:n = true ,
1033 }

```

We begin the construction of the major sets of keys (used by the different user commands and environments).

```

1034 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix }
1035 {
1036   NiceMatrixOptions .inherit:n =
1037     { nicematrix / Global } ,
1038   NiceMatrixOptions / xdots .inherit:n = nicematrix / xdots ,

```

```

1039 NiceMatrixOptions / rules .inherit:n = nicematrix / rules ,
1040 NiceMatrixOptions / notes .inherit:n = nicematrix / notes ,
1041 NiceMatrixOptions / sub-matrix .inherit:n = nicematrix / sub-matrix ,
1042 SubMatrix / rules .inherit:n = nicematrix / rules ,
1043 CodeAfter / xdots .inherit:n = nicematrix / xdots ,
1044 CodeBefore / sub-matrix .inherit:n = nicematrix / sub-matrix ,
1045 CodeAfter / sub-matrix .inherit:n = nicematrix / sub-matrix ,
1046 NiceMatrix .inherit:n =
1047 {
1048     nicematrix / Global ,
1049     nicematrix / environments ,
1050 },
1051 NiceMatrix / xdots .inherit:n = nicematrix / xdots ,
1052 NiceMatrix / rules .inherit:n = nicematrix / rules ,
1053 NiceTabular .inherit:n =
1054 {
1055     nicematrix / Global ,
1056     nicematrix / environments
1057 },
1058 NiceTabular / xdots .inherit:n = nicematrix / xdots ,
1059 NiceTabular / rules .inherit:n = nicematrix / rules ,
1060 NiceTabular / notes .inherit:n = nicematrix / notes ,
1061 NiceArray .inherit:n =
1062 {
1063     nicematrix / Global ,
1064     nicematrix / environments ,
1065 },
1066 NiceArray / xdots .inherit:n = nicematrix / xdots ,
1067 NiceArray / rules .inherit:n = nicematrix / rules ,
1068 pNiceArray .inherit:n =
1069 {
1070     nicematrix / Global ,
1071     nicematrix / environments ,
1072 },
1073 pNiceArray / xdots .inherit:n = nicematrix / xdots ,
1074 pNiceArray / rules .inherit:n = nicematrix / rules ,
1075 }

```

We finalise the definition of the set of keys “`nicematrix / NiceMatrixOptions`” with the options specific to `\NiceMatrixOptions`.

```

1076 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / NiceMatrixOptions }
1077 {
1078     delimiters / color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
1079     delimiters / color .value_required:n = true ,
1080     delimiters / max-width .bool_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_max_width_bool ,
1081     delimiters / max-width .default:n = true ,
1082     delimiters .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / delimiters } { #1 } ,
1083     delimiters .value_required:n = true ,
1084     width .dim_set:N = \l_@@_width_dim ,
1085     width .value_required:n = true ,
1086     last-col .code:n =
1087         \tl_if_empty:nF { #1 }
1088         { \@@_error:n { last-col~non~empty~for~NiceMatrixOptions } }
1089         \int_zero:N \l_@@_last_col_int ,
1090     small .bool_set:N = \l_@@_small_bool ,
1091     small .value_forbidden:n = true ,

```

With the option `renew-matrix`, the environment `{matrix}` of `amsmath` and its variants are redefined to behave like the environment `{NiceMatrix}` and its variants.

```

1092     renew-matrix .code:n = \@@_renew_matrix: ,
1093     renew-matrix .value_forbidden:n = true ,

```

The option `exterior-arraycolsep` will have effect only in `{NiceArray}` for those who want to have for `{NiceArray}` the same behaviour as `{array}`.

```
1094     exterior-arraycolsep .bool_set:N = \l_@@_exterior_arraycolsep_bool ,
```

If the option `columns-width` is used, all the columns will have the same width.

In `\NiceMatrixOptions`, the special value `auto` is not available.

```
1095     columns-width .code:n =
1096         \tl_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } { auto }
1097             { \@@_error:n { Option-auto-for-columns-width } }
1098             { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_columns_width_dim { #1 } } ,
```

Usually, an error is raised when the user tries to give the same name to two distinct environments of `nicematrix` (these names are global and not local to the current TeX scope). However, the option `allow-duplicate-names` disables this feature.

```
1099     allow-duplicate-names .code:n =
1100         \@@_msg_redirect_name:nn { Duplicate-name } { none } ,
1101     allow-duplicate-names .value_forbidden:n = true ,
1102     notes .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / notes } { #1 } ,
1103     notes .value_required:n = true ,
1104     sub-matrix .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / sub-matrix } { #1 } ,
1105     sub-matrix .value_required:n = true ,
1106     matrix / columns-type .tl_set:N = \l_@@_columns_type_tl ,
1107     matrix / columns-type .value_required:n = true ,
1108     caption-above .bool_set:N = \l_@@_caption_above_bool ,
1109     caption-above .default:n = true ,
1110     unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-NiceMatrixOptions }
1111 }
```

`\NiceMatrixOptions` is the command of the `nicematrix` package to fix options at the document level. The scope of these specifications is the current TeX group.

```
1112 \NewDocumentCommand \NiceMatrixOptions { m }
1113   { \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / NiceMatrixOptions } { #1 } }
```

We finalise the definition of the set of keys “`nicematrix / NiceMatrix`”. That set of keys will be used by `{NiceMatrix}`, `{pNiceMatrix}`, `{bNiceMatrix}`, etc.

```
1114 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / NiceMatrix }
1115 {
1116     last-col .code:n = \tl_if_empty:nTF { #1 }
1117         {
1118             \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_last_col_without_value_bool
1119             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_col_int { -1 }
1120         }
1121         { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_col_int { #1 } } ,
1122     columns-type .tl_set:N = \l_@@_columns_type_tl ,
1123     columns-type .value_required:n = true ,
1124     l .meta:n = { columns-type = l } ,
1125     r .meta:n = { columns-type = r } ,
1126     delimiters / color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
1127     delimiters / color .value_required:n = true ,
1128     delimiters / max-width .bool_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_max_width_bool ,
1129     delimiters / max-width .default:n = true ,
1130     delimiters .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / delimiters } { #1 } ,
1131     delimiters .value_required:n = true ,
1132     small .bool_set:N = \l_@@_small_bool ,
1133     small .value_forbidden:n = true ,
1134     unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-NiceMatrix }
1135 }
```

We finalise the definition of the set of keys “`nicematrix / NiceArray`” with the options specific to `{NiceArray}`.

```
1136 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / NiceArray }
1137 {
```

In the environments `{NiceArray}` and its variants, the option `last-col` must be used without value because the number of columns of the array is read from the preamble of the array.

```
1138     small .bool_set:N = \l_@@_small_bool ,
1139     small .value_forbidden:n = true ,
1140     last-col .code:n = \tl_if_empty:nF { #1 }
1141         { \@@_error:n { last-col-non-empty-for-NiceArray } }
1142             \int_zero:N \l_@@_last_col_int ,
1143             r .code:n = \@@_error:n { r-or-l-with-preamble } ,
1144             l .code:n = \@@_error:n { r-or-l-with-preamble } ,
1145             unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-NiceArray }
1146 }

1147 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / pNiceArray }
1148 {
1149     first-col .code:n = \int_zero:N \l_@@_first_col_int ,
1150     last-col .code:n = \tl_if_empty:nF {#1}
1151         { \@@_error:n { last-col-non-empty-for-NiceArray } }
1152             \int_zero:N \l_@@_last_col_int ,
1153             first-row .code:n = \int_zero:N \l_@@_first_row_int ,
1154             delimiters / color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
1155             delimiters / color .value_required:n = true ,
1156             delimiters / max-width .bool_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_max_width_bool ,
1157             delimiters / max-width .default:n = true ,
1158             delimiters .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / delimiters } { #1 } ,
1159             delimiters .value_required:n = true ,
1160             small .bool_set:N = \l_@@_small_bool ,
1161             small .value_forbidden:n = true ,
1162             r .code:n = \@@_error:n { r-or-l-with-preamble } ,
1163             l .code:n = \@@_error:n { r-or-l-with-preamble } ,
1164             unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-Nicematrix }
1165 }
```

We finalise the definition of the set of keys “`nicematrix / NiceTabular`” with the options specific to `{NiceTabular}`.

```
1166 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / NiceTabular }
1167 {
```

The dimension `width` will be used if at least a column of type `X` is used. If there is no column of type `X`, an error will be raised.

```
1168     width .code:n = \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_width_dim { #1 }
1169         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_width_used_bool ,
1170     width .value_required:n = true ,
1171     notes .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / notes } { #1 } ,
1172     tabularnote .tl_gset:N = \g_@@_tabularnote_tl ,
1173     tabularnote .value_required:n = true ,
1174     caption .tl_set:N = \l_@@_caption_tl ,
1175     caption .value_required:n = true ,
1176     short-caption .tl_set:N = \l_@@_short_caption_tl ,
1177     short-caption .value_required:n = true ,
1178     label .tl_set:N = \l_@@_label_tl ,
1179     label .value_required:n = true ,
1180     last-col .code:n = \tl_if_empty:nF {#1}
1181         { \@@_error:n { last-col-non-empty-for-NiceArray } }
1182             \int_zero:N \l_@@_last_col_int ,
1183             r .code:n = \@@_error:n { r-or-l-with-preamble } ,
1184             l .code:n = \@@_error:n { r-or-l-with-preamble } ,
1185             unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-NiceTabular }
1186 }
```

The `\CodeAfter` (inserted with the key `code-after` or after the keyword `\CodeAfter`) may always begin with a list of pairs `key=value` between square brackets. Here is the corresponding set of keys. We *must* put the following instructions *after* the :

```
CodeAfter / sub-matrix .inherit:n = nicematrix / sub-matrix
```

```
1187 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / CodeAfter }
1188 {
1189   delimiters / color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
1190   delimiters / color .value_required:n = true ,
1191   rules .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / rules } { #1 } ,
1192   rules .value_required:n = true ,
1193   xdots .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #1 } ,
1194   sub-matrix .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / sub-matrix } { #1 } ,
1195   sub-matrix .value_required:n = true ,
1196   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown~key~for~CodeAfter }
1197 }
```

9 Important code used by `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`

The pseudo-environment `\@@_cell_begin:w-\@@_cell_end:` will be used to format the cells of the array. In the code, the affectations are global because this pseudo-environment will be used in the cells of a `\halign` (via an environment `{array}`).

```
1198 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cell_begin:w
1199 {
```

`\g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl` will be set during the composition of the box `\l_@@_cell_box` and will be used *after* the composition in order to modify that box.

```
1200 \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
```

At the beginning of the cell, we link `\CodeAfter` to a command which do begin with `\\"` (whereas the standard version of `\CodeAfter` does not).

```
1201 \cs_set_eq:NN \CodeAfter \@@_CodeAfter_i:
```

We increment the LaTeX counter `jCol`, which is the counter of the columns.

```
1202 \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
```

Now, we increment the counter of the rows. We don't do this incrementation in the `\everycr` because some packages, like `arydshln`, create special rows in the `\halign` that we don't want to take into account.

```
1203 \int_compare:nNnT \c@jCol = \c_one_int
1204   { \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_first_col_int = \c_one_int \@@_begin_of_row: }
```

The content of the cell is composed in the box `\l_@@_cell_box`. The `\hbox_set_end:` corresponding to this `\hbox_set:Nw` is in the `\@@_cell_end:`.

```
1205 \hbox_set:Nw \l_@@_cell_box
```

The following command is nullified in the tabulars.

```
1206 \@@_tuning_not_tabular_begin:
1207 \@@_tuning_first_row:
1208 \@@_tuning_last_row:
1209 \g_@@_row_style_tl
1210 }
```

The following command will be nullified unless there is a first row.

```

1211 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_tuning_first_row:
1212 {
1213     \int_if_zero:nT \c@iRow
1214     {
1215         \int_compare:nNnT \c@jCol > \c_zero_int
1216         {
1217             \l_@@_code_for_first_row_tl
1218             \xglobal \colorlet{nicematrix-first-row}{.}
1219         }
1220     }
1221 }
```

The following command will be nullified unless there is a last row and we know its value (*i.e.* $\l_@@_lat_row_int > 0$).

```

1222 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_tuning_last_row:
1223 {
1224     \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int
1225     {
1226         \l_@@_code_for_last_row_tl
1227         \xglobal \colorlet{nicematrix-last-row}{.}
1228     }
1229 }
```

A different value will be provided to the following command when the key `small` is in force.

```
1230 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_tuning_key_small: \prg_do_nothing:
```

The following commands are nullified in the tabulars.

```

1231 \cs_set_nopar:Npn \@@_tuning_not_tabular_begin:
1232 {
1233     \c_math_toggle_token
```

A special value is provided by the following controls sequence when the key `small` is in force.

```

1234     \@@_tuning_key_small:
1235 }
1236 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_tuning_not_tabular_end: \c_math_toggle_token
```

The following macro `\@@_begin_of_row` is usually used in the cell number 1 of the row. However, when the key `first-col` is used, `\@@_begin_of_row` is executed in the cell number 0 of the row.

```

1237 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_begin_of_row:
1238 {
1239     \int_gincr:N \c@iRow
1240     \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_dp_ante_last_row_dim \g_@@_dp_last_row_dim
1241     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_dp_last_row_dim {\box_dp:N \parstrutbox}
1242     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_ht_last_row_dim {\box_ht:N \parstrutbox}
1243     \pgfpicture
1244     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
1245     \pgfcoordinate
1246     { \@@_env: - row - \int_use:N \c@iRow - base }
1247     { \pgfpoint \c_zero_dim { 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } }
1248     \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
1249     {
1250         \pgfnodealias
1251         { \l_@@_name_str - row - \int_use:N \c@iRow - base }
1252         { \@@_env: - row - \int_use:N \c@iRow - base }
1253     }
1254     \endpgfpicture
1255 }
```

Remark: If the key `recreate-cell-nodes` of the `\CodeBefore` is used, then we will add some lines to that command.

The following code is used in each cell of the array. It actualises quantities that, at the end of the array, will give informations about the vertical dimension of the two first rows and the two last rows. If the user uses the `last-row`, some lines of code will be dynamically added to this command.

```

1256 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_update_for_first_and_last_row:
1257 {
1258     \int_if_zero:nTF \c@iRow
1259     {
1260         \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_dp_row_zero_dim
1261             { \dim_max:nn \g_@@_dp_row_zero_dim { \box_dp:N \l_@@_cell_box } }
1262         \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_ht_row_zero_dim
1263             { \dim_max:nn \g_@@_ht_row_zero_dim { \box_ht:N \l_@@_cell_box } }
1264     }
1265     {
1266         \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow = \c_one_int
1267             {
1268                 \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_ht_row_one_dim
1269                     { \dim_max:nn \g_@@_ht_row_one_dim { \box_ht:N \l_@@_cell_box } }
1270             }
1271     }
1272 }
1273 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rotate_cell_box:
1274 {
1275     \box_rotate:Nn \l_@@_cell_box { 90 }
1276     \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_rotate_c_bool
1277     {
1278         \hbox_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1279             {
1280                 \c_math_toggle_token
1281                 \vcenter { \box_use:N \l_@@_cell_box }
1282                 \c_math_toggle_token
1283             }
1284     }
1285     {
1286         \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int
1287             {
1288                 \vbox_set_top:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1289                     {
1290                         \vbox_to_zero:n { }
1291                         \skip_vertical:n { - \box_ht:N \carstrutbox + 0.8 ex }
1292                         \box_use:N \l_@@_cell_box
1293                     }
1294             }
1295     }
1296     \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_rotate_bool
1297     \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_rotate_c_bool
1298 }
1299 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_adjust_size_box:
1300 {
1301     \dim_compare:nNnT \g_@@_blocks_wd_dim > \c_zero_dim
1302     {
1303         \box_set_wd:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1304             { \dim_max:nn { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } \g_@@_blocks_wd_dim }
1305         \dim_gzero:N \g_@@_blocks_wd_dim
1306     }
1307     \dim_compare:nNnT \g_@@_blocks_dp_dim > \c_zero_dim
1308     {
1309         \box_set_dp:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1310             { \dim_max:nn { \box_dp:N \l_@@_cell_box } \g_@@_blocks_dp_dim }
1311         \dim_gzero:N \g_@@_blocks_dp_dim
1312     }
1313     \dim_compare:nNnT \g_@@_blocks_ht_dim > \c_zero_dim
1314     {

```

```

1315     \box_set_ht:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1316     { \dim_max:nn { \box_ht:N \l_@@_cell_box } \g_@@_blocks_ht_dim }
1317     \dim_gzero:N \g_@@_blocks_ht_dim
1318   }
1319 }
1320 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cell_end:
1321 {

```

The following command is nullified in the tabulars.

```

1322   \@@_tuning_not_tabular_end:
1323   \hbox_set_end:
1324   \@@_cell_end_i:
1325 }
1326 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cell_end_i:
1327 {

```

The token list `\g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl` is (potentially) set during the composition of the box `\l_@@_cell_box` and is used now *after* the composition in order to modify that box.

```

1328   \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
1329   \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_bool \@@_rotate_cell_box:
1330   \@@_adjust_size_box:
1331   \box_set_ht:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1332   { \box_ht:N \l_@@_cell_box + \l_@@_cell_space_top_limit_dim }
1333   \box_set_dp:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1334   { \box_dp:N \l_@@_cell_box + \l_@@_cell_space_bottom_limit_dim }

```

We want to compute in `\g_@@_max_cell_width_dim` the width of the widest cell of the array (except the cells of the “first column” and the “last column”).

```
1335   \@@_update_max_cell_width:
```

The following computations are for the “first row” and the “last row”.

```
1336   \@@_update_for_first_and_last_row:
```

If the cell is empty, or may be considered as if, we must not create the PGF node, for two reasons:

- it’s a waste of time since such a node would be rather pointless;
- we test the existence of these nodes in order to determine whether a cell is empty when we search the extremities of a dotted line.

However, it’s very difficult to determine whether a cell is empty. Up to now we use the following technic:

- for the columns of type `p`, `m`, `b`, `V` (of `varwidth`) or `X`, we test whether the cell is syntactically empty with `\@@_test_if_empty:` and `\@@_test_if_empty_for_S:`
- if the width of the box `\l_@@_cell_box` (created with the content of the cell) is equal to zero, we consider the cell as empty (however, this is not perfect since the user may have used a `\rlap`, `\llap`, `\clap` or a `\mathclap` of `mathtools`).
- the cells with a command `\Ldots` or `\Cdots`, `\Vdots`, etc., should also be considered as empty; if `nullify-dots` is in force, there would be nothing to do (in this case the previous commands only write an instruction in a kind of `\CodeAfter`); however, if `nullify-dots` is not in force, a phantom of `\ldots`, `\cdots`, `\vdots` is inserted and its width is not equal to zero; that’s why these commands raise a boolean `\g_@@_empty_cell_bool` and we begin by testing this boolean.

```

1337   \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
1338   { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box }
1339   {
1340     \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_not_empty_cell_bool
1341     \@@_node_for_cell:
1342     {
1343       \dim_compare:nNnTF { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } > \c_zero_dim
1344       \@@_node_for_cell:

```

```

1345           { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box }
1346       }
1347   }
1348   \int_gset:Nn \g_@@_col_total_int { \int_max:nn \g_@@_col_total_int \c@jCol }
1349   \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
1350   \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_not_empty_cell_bool
1351 }

```

The following command will be nullified in our redefinition of `\multicolumn`.

```

1352 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_update_max_cell_width:
1353 {
1354     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_max_cell_width_dim
1355         { \dim_max:nn \g_@@_max_cell_width_dim { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } }
1356 }

```

The following variant of `\@@_cell_end:` is only for the columns of type `w{s}{...}` or `W{s}{...}` (which use the horizontal alignment key `s` of `\makebox`).

```

1357 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cell_end_for_w_s:
1358 {
1359     \@@_math_toggle:
1360     \hbox_set_end:
1361     \bool_if:NF \g_@@_rotate_bool
1362     {
1363         \hbox_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1364         {
1365             \makebox [ \l_@@_col_width_dim ] [ s ]
1366                 { \hbox_unpack_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box }
1367         }
1368     }
1369     \@@_cell_end_i:
1370 }

1371 \pgfset
1372 {
1373     nicematrix / cell-node /.style =
1374     {
1375         inner sep = \c_zero_dim ,
1376         minimum width = \c_zero_dim
1377     }
1378 }

```

The following command creates the PGF name of the node with, of course, `\l_@@_cell_box` as the content.

```

1379 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_node_for_cell:
1380 {
1381     \pgfpicture
1382     \pgfsetbaseline \c_zero_dim
1383     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
1384     \pgfset { nicematrix / cell-node }
1385     \pgfnode
1386     { rectangle }
1387     { base }
1388     {

```

The following instruction `\set@color` has been added on 2022/10/06. It's necessary only with XeLaTeX and not with the other engines (we don't know why).

```

1389     \set@color
1390     \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box
1391 }
1392 { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
1393 { \l_@@_pgf_node_code_tl }

```

```

1394   \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
1395   {
1396     \pgfnodealias
1397       { \l_@@_name_str - \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
1398       { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
1399   }
1400   \endpgfpicture
1401 }

```

As its name says, the following command is a patch for the command `\@@_node_for_cell:`. This patch will be appended on the left of `\@@_node_for_the_cell:` when the construction of the cell nodes (of the form $(i-j)$) in the `\CodeBefore` is required.

```

1402 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_patch_node_for_cell:n #1
1403 {
1404   \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_patch_node_for_cell:
1405   {
1406     \hbox_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
1407     {
1408       \box_move_up:nn { \box_ht:N \l_@@_cell_box}
1409       \hbox_overlap_left:n
1410       {
1411         \pgfsys@markposition
1412         { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol - NW }
1413       }
1414     }
1415   }
1416 }
```

I don't know why the following adjustment is needed when the compilation is done with XeLaTeX or with the classical way `latex`, `dvips`, `ps2pdf` (or Adobe Distiller). However, it seems to work.

```

1413   #1
1414 }
1415 \box_use:N \l_@@_cell_box
1416 \box_move_down:nn { \box_dp:N \l_@@_cell_box }
1417 \hbox_overlap_left:n
1418 {
1419   \pgfsys@markposition
1420   { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol - SE }
1421   #1
1422 }
1423 }
1424 }
1425 }

```

We have no explanation for the different behaviour between the TeX engines...

```

1426 \bool_lazy_or:nnTF \sys_if_engine_xetex_p: \sys_if_output_dvi_p:
1427 {
1428   \@@_patch_node_for_cell:n
1429   { \skip_horizontal:n { 0.5 \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } }
1430 }
1431 { \@@_patch_node_for_cell:n { } }

```

The second argument of the following command `\@@_instruction_of_type:nnn` defined below is the type of the instruction (`Cdots`, `Vdots`, `Ddots`, etc.). The third argument is the list of options. This command writes in the corresponding `\g_@@_type_lines_tl` the instruction which will actually draw the line after the construction of the matrix.

For example, for the following matrix,

```

\begin{pNiceMatrix}
1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
5 & \Cdots & & 6 \\
7 & \Cdots [color=red]
\end{pNiceMatrix}

```

the content of `\g_@@_Cdots_lines_tl` will be:

```
\@@_draw_Cdots:nnn {2}{2}{}
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & \cdots & & 6 \\ 7 & \cdots & & \end{pmatrix}$$

```
\@@_draw_Cdots:nnn {3}{2}{color=red}
```

The first argument is a boolean which indicates whether you must put the instruction on the left or on the right on the list of instructions (with consequences for the parallelisation of the diagonal lines).

```

1432 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_instruction_of_type:nnn #1 #2 #3
1433 {
1434     \bool_if:nTF { #1 } \tl_gput_left:cx \tl_gput_right:cx
1435     { g_@@_#2 _ lines _ tl }
1436     {
1437         \use:c { @@ _ draw _ #2 : nnn }
1438         { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
1439         { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
1440         { \exp_not:n { #3 } }
1441     }
1442 }

1443 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_array:
1444 {
1445 %   \begin{macrocode}
1446 \dim_set:Nn \col@sep
1447     { \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool \tabcolsep \arraycolsep }
1448 \dim_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_tabular_width_dim = \c_zero_dim
1449     { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \@halignto { } }
1450     { \cs_set_nopar:Npx \@halignto { to \dim_use:N \l_@@_tabular_width_dim } }
```

It `colortbl` is loaded, `\@tabarray` has been redefined to incorporate `\CT@start`.

```

1451 \@tabarray
1452 [ \str_if_eq:onTF \l_@@_baseline_tl c c t ]
1453 }
```

We keep in memory the standard version of `\ialign` because we will redefine `\ialign` in the environment `{NiceArrayWithDelims}` but restore the standard version for use in the cells of the array. However, since version 2.6a (version for the Tagging Project), `array` uses `\ar@ialign` instead of `\ialign`. In that case, of course, you do a saving of `\ar@ialign`.

```

1454 \bool_if:NTF \c_@@_tagging_array_bool
1455     { \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_ar@ialign: \ar@ialign }
1456     { \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_ialign: \ialign }
```

The following command creates a `row` node (and not a row of nodes!).

```

1457 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_row_node:
1458 {
1459     \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow > \g_@@_last_row_node_int
1460     {
1461         \int_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_last_row_node_int \c@iRow
1462         \@@_create_row_node_i:
1463     }
1464 }

1465 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_row_node_i:
1466 {
```

The `\hbox:n` (or `\hbox`) is mandatory.

```

1467 \hbox
1468 {
1469     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool
1470     {
1471         \vtop
1472     }
```

```

1473           \skip_vertical:N 0.5\arrayrulewidth
1474           \pgfsys@markposition
1475           { \@@_env: - row - \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
1476           \skip_vertical:N -0.5\arrayrulewidth
1477       }
1478   }
1479   \pgfpicture
1480   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
1481   \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - row - \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
1482   { \pgfpoint \c_zero_dim { - 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } }
1483   \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
1484   {
1485     \pgfnodealias
1486     { \l_@@_name_str - row - \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
1487     { \@@_env: - row - \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
1488   }
1489   \endpgfpicture
1490 }
1491 }
```

The following must *not* be protected because it begins with `\noalign`.

```
1492 \cs_new:Npn \@@_everycr: { \noalign { \@@_everycr_i: } }
```

```

1493 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_everycr_i:
1494 {
1495   \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool
1496   {
1497     \tbl_if_row_was_started:T { \UseTaggingSocket { \tbl / row / end } }
1498     \tbl_update_cell_data_for_next_row:
1499   }
1500   \int_gzero:N \c@jCol
1501   \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_after_col_zero_bool
1502   \bool_if:NF \g_@@_row_of_col_done_bool
1503   {
1504     \@@_create_row_node:
```

We don't draw now the rules of the key `hlines` (or `hvlines`) but we reserve the vertical space for these rules (the rules will be drawn by PGF).

```

1505 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_hlines_clist
1506 {
1507   \tl_if_eq:NNF \l_@@_hlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
1508   {
1509     \exp_args:NNe
1510     \clist_if_in:NnT
1511     \l_@@_hlines_clist
1512     { \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
1513   }
1514 }
```

The counter `\c@iRow` has the value `-1` only if there is a “first row” and that we are before that “first row”, i.e. just before the beginning of the array.

```

1515   \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow > { -1 }
1516   {
1517     \int_compare:nNnF \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int
1518     { \hrule height \arrayrulewidth width \c_zero_dim }
1519   }
1520 }
1521 }
1522 }
```

When the key `renew-dots` is used, the following code will be executed.

```

1524 \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_renew_dots:
1525 {
1526     \cs_set_eq:NN \ldots \@@_Ldots
1527     \cs_set_eq:NN \cdots \@@_Cdots
1528     \cs_set_eq:NN \vdots \@@_Vdots
1529     \cs_set_eq:NN \ddots \@@_Ddots
1530     \cs_set_eq:NN \iddots \@@_Iddots
1531     \cs_set_eq:NN \dots \@@_Ldots
1532     \cs_set_eq:NN \hdotsfor \@@_Hdotsfor:
1533 }
1534 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_color_inside:
1535 {
1536     \bool_if:NF \l_@@_color_inside_bool
1537     {

```

We will issue an error only during the first run.

```

1538     \bool_if:NF \g_@@_aux_found_bool
1539         { \@@_error:n { without~color-inside } }
1540     }
1541 }

1542 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_redefine_everycr: { \everycr { \@@_everycr: } }
1543 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
1544 {
1545     \IfPackageLoadedTF { colortbl }
1546     {
1547         \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_redefine_everycr:
1548         {
1549             \CT@everycr
1550             {
1551                 \noalign { \cs_gset_eq:NN \CT@row@color \prg_do_nothing: }
1552                 \@@_everycr:
1553             }
1554         }
1555     }
1556     { }
1557 }

```

If `booktabs` is loaded, we have to patch the macro `\@BTnormal` which is a macro of `booktabs`. The macro `\@BTnormal` draws an horizontal rule but it occurs after a vertical skip done by a low level TeX command. When this macro `\@BTnormal` occurs, the `row` node has yet been inserted by `nicematrix` before the vertical skip (and thus, at a wrong place). That why we decide to create a new `row` node (for the same row). We patch the macro `\@BTnormal` to create this `row` node. This new `row` node will overwrite the previous definition of that `row` node and we have managed to avoid the error messages of that redefinition⁴.

```

1558 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
1559 {
1560     \IfPackageLoadedTF { booktabs }
1561     {
1562         \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_patch_booktabs:
1563             { \tl_put_left:Nn \@BTnormal \@@_create_row_node_i: }
1564     }
1565     { \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_patch_booktabs: { } }
1566 }

```

The box `\@arstrutbox` is a box constructed in the beginning of the environment `{array}`. The construction of that box takes into account the current value of `\arraystretch`⁵ and `\extrarowheight`

⁴cf. `\nicematrix@redefine@check@rerun`

⁵The option `small` of `nicematrix` changes (among others) the value of `\arraystretch`. This is done, of course, before the call of `{array}`.

(of `array`). That box is inserted (via `\@arstrut`) in the beginning of each row of the array. That's why we use the dimensions of that box to initialize the variables which will be the dimensions of the potential first and last row of the environment. This initialization must be done after the creation of `\@arstrutbox` and that's why we do it in the `\ialign`.

```

1567 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@_some_initialization:
1568 {
1569     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_dp_row_zero_dim { \box_dp:N \@arstrutbox }
1570     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_ht_row_zero_dim { \box_ht:N \@arstrutbox }
1571     \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_ht_row_one_dim \g_@@_ht_row_zero_dim
1572     \dim_gzero:N \g_@@_dp_ante_last_row_dim
1573     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_ht_last_row_dim { \box_ht:N \@arstrutbox }
1574     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_dp_last_row_dim { \box_dp:N \@arstrutbox }
1575 }
```

The following code `\@_pre_array_ii:` is used in `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`. It exists as a standalone macro only for legibility.

```

1576 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@_pre_array_ii:
1577 {
```

The number of letters X in the preamble of the array.

```

1578 \int_gzero:N \g_@@_total_X_weight_int
1579 \@@_expand_clist:N \l_@@_hlines_clist
1580 \@@_expand_clist:N \l_@@_vlines_clist
1581 \@@_patch_booktabs:
1582 \box_clear_new:N \l_@@_cell_box
1583 \normalbaselines
```

If the option `small` is used, we have to do some tuning. In particular, we change the value of `\arraystretch` (this parameter is used in the construction of `\@arstrutbox` in the beginning of `{array}`).

```

1584 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_small_bool
1585 {
1586     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \arraystretch { 0.47 }
1587     \dim_set:Nn \arraycolsep { 1.45 pt }
```

By default, `\@_tuning_key_small:` is no-op.

```

1588     \cs_set_eq:NN \@_tuning_key_small: \scriptstyle
1589 }

1590 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_recreate_cell_nodes_bool
1591 {
1592     \tl_put_right:Nn \@@_begin_of_row:
1593     {
1594         \pgfsys@markposition
1595         { \@@_env: - row - \int_use:N \c@iRow - base }
1596     }
1597 }
```

The environment `{array}` uses internally the command `\ialign`. We change the definition of `\ialign` for several reasons. In particular, `\ialign` sets `\everycr` to `{ }` and we *need* to have to change the value of `\everycr`.

```

1598 \bool_if:NTF \c_@@_tagging_array_bool
1599 {
1600     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \ar@ialign
1601     {
1602         \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool \tbl_init_cell_data_for_table:
1603         \@@_redefine_everycr:
1604         \dim_zero:N \tabskip
1605         \@_some_initialization:
```

After its first use, the definition of `\ar@ialign` will revert automatically to its default definition. With this programmation, we will have, in the cells of the array, a clean version of `\ar@ialign`.

```

1606         \cs_set_eq:NN \ar@ialign \@@_old_ar@ialign:
1607         \halign
1608     }
1609 }
```

The following part will be deleted when we will delete the boolean `\c_@@_tagging_array_bool` (when we consider the version 2.6a of `array` is required).

```

1610 {
1611     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \ialign
1612     {
1613         \@@_redefine_everycr:
1614         \dim_zero:N \tabskip
1615         \@@_some_initialization:
1616         \cs_set_eq:NN \ialign \@@_old_ialign:
1617         \halign
1618     }
1619 }
```

We keep in memory the old versions or `\ldots`, `\cdots`, etc. only because we use them inside `\phantom` commands in order that the new commands `\Ldots`, `\Cdots`, etc. give the same spacing (except when the option `nullify-dots` is used).

```

1620     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_ldots \ldots
1621     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_cdots \cdots
1622     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_vdots \vdots
1623     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_ddots \ddots
1624     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_iddots \iddots
1625     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_standard_cline_bool
1626     { \cs_set_eq:NN \cline \@@_standard_cline }
1627     { \cs_set_eq:NN \cline \@@_cline }
1628     \cs_set_eq:NN \Ldots \@@_Ldots
1629     \cs_set_eq:NN \Cdots \@@_Cdots
1630     \cs_set_eq:NN \Vdots \@@_Vdots
1631     \cs_set_eq:NN \Ddots \@@_Ddots
1632     \cs_set_eq:NN \Idots \@@_Idots
1633     \cs_set_eq:NN \Hline \@@_Hline:
1634     \cs_set_eq:NN \Hspace \@@_Hspace:
1635     \cs_set_eq:NN \Hdotsfor \@@_Hdotsfor:
1636     \cs_set_eq:NN \Vdotsfor \@@_Vdotsfor:
1637     \cs_set_eq:NN \Block \@@_Block:
1638     \cs_set_eq:NN \rotate \@@_rotate:
1639     \cs_set_eq:NN \OnlyMainNiceMatrix \@@_OnlyMainNiceMatrix:n
1640     \cs_set_eq:NN \dotfill \@@_dotfill:
1641     \cs_set_eq:NN \CodeAfter \@@_CodeAfter:
1642     \cs_set_eq:NN \diagbox \@@_diagbox:nn
1643     \cs_set_eq:NN \NotEmpty \@@_NotEmpty:
1644     \cs_set_eq:NN \RowStyle \@@_RowStyle:n
1645     \seq_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_custom_line_commands_seq
1646     { \cs_set_eq:cc { ##1 } { nicematrix - ##1 } }
1647     \cs_set_eq:NN \cellcolor \@@_cellcolor_tabular
1648     \cs_set_eq:NN \rowcolor \@@_rowcolor_tabular
1649     \cs_set_eq:NN \rowcolors \@@_rowcolors_tabular
1650     \cs_set_eq:NN \rowlistcolors \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular
1651     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_first_row_int > \c_zero_int
1652     { \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_tuning_first_row: \prg_do_nothing: }
1653     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_row_int < \c_zero_int
1654     { \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_tuning_last_row: \prg_do_nothing: }
1655     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_renew_dots_bool \@@_renew_dots:
```

We redefine `\multicolumn` and, since we want `\multicolumn` to be available in the potential environments `{tabular}` nested in the environments of `nicematrix`, we patch `{tabular}` to go back to the original definition. A `\hook_gremove_code:nn` will be put in `\@@_after_array::`

```
1656     \cs_set_eq:NN \multicolumn \@@_multicolumn:nnn
```

```

1657   \hook_gput_code:nnn { env / tabular / begin } { nicematrix }
1658     { \cs_set_eq:NN \multicolumn \@@_old_multicolumn }
1659   \@@_revert_colortbl:

```

If there is one or several commands `\tabularnote` in the caption specified by the key `caption` and if that caption has to be composed above the tabular, we have now that information because it has been written in the `aux` file at a previous run. We use that information to start counting the tabular notes in the main array at the right value (we remember that the caption will be composed *after* the array!).

```

1660   \tl_if_exist:NT \l_@@_note_in_caption_tl
1661   {
1662     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_note_in_caption_tl
1663     {
1664       \int_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_notes_caption_int \l_@@_note_in_caption_tl
1665       \int_gset:Nn \c@tabularnote { \l_@@_note_in_caption_tl }
1666     }
1667   }

```

The sequence `\g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq` will contain the list of the cells of the array where a command `\multicolumn{n}{...}{...}` with $n > 1$ is issued. In `\g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq`, the “sizes” (that is to say the values of n) correspondant will be stored. These lists will be used for the creation of the “medium nodes” (if they are created).

```

1668   \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq
1669   \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq

```

The counter `\c@iRow` will be used to count the rows of the array (its incrementation will be in the first cell of the row).

```

1670   \int_gset:Nn \c@iRow { \l_@@_first_row_int - 1 }

```

At the end of the environment `{array}`, `\c@iRow` will be the total number of rows.

`\g_@@_row_total_int` will be the number of rows excepted the last row (if `\l_@@_last_row_bool` has been raised with the option `last-row`).

```

1671   \int_gzero_new:N \g_@@_row_total_int

```

The counter `\c@jCol` will be used to count the columns of the array. Since we want to know the total number of columns of the matrix, we also create a counter `\g_@@_col_total_int`. These counters are updated in the command `\@@_cell_begin:w` executed at the beginning of each cell.

```

1672   \int_gzero_new:N \g_@@_col_total_int
1673   \cs_set_eq:NN \o@ifnextchar \new@ifnextchar
1674   \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_last_col_found_bool

```

During the construction of the array, the instructions `\Cdots`, `\Ldots`, etc. will be written in token lists `\g_@@_Cdots_lines_tl`, etc. which will be executed after the construction of the array.

```

1675   \tl_gclear_new:N \g_@@_Cdots_lines_tl
1676   \tl_gclear_new:N \g_@@_Ldots_lines_tl
1677   \tl_gclear_new:N \g_@@_Vdots_lines_tl
1678   \tl_gclear_new:N \g_@@_Ddots_lines_tl
1679   \tl_gclear_new:N \g_@@_Iddots_lines_tl
1680   \tl_gclear_new:N \g_@@_HVdotsfor_lines_tl

1681   \tl_gclear:N \g_nicematrix_code_before_tl
1682   \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
1683 }

```

This is the end of `\@@_pre_array_i:`.

The command `\@@_pre_array:` will be executed after analyse of the keys of the environment.

```

1684 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_pre_array:
1685 {
1686   \cs_if_exist:NT \theiRow { \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_old_iRow_int \c@iRow }
1687   \int_gzero_new:N \c@iRow
1688   \cs_if_exist:NT \thejCol { \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_old_jCol_int \c@jCol }
1689   \int_gzero_new:N \c@jCol

```

We recall that `\l_@@_last_row_int` and `\l_@@_last_column_int` are *not* the numbers of the last row and last column of the array. There are only the values of the keys `last-row` and `last-column` (maybe the user has provided erroneous values). The meaning of that counters does not change during the environment of `nicematrix`. There is only a slight adjustment: if the user have used one of those keys without value, we provide now the right value as read on the `aux` file (of course, it's possible only after the first compilation).

```

1690 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_row_int = { -1 }
1691 {
1692     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_last_row_without_value_bool
1693     \bool_if:NT \g_@@_aux_found_bool
1694         { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_row_int { \seq_item:Nn \g_@@_size_seq 3 } }
1695 }
1696 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_col_int = { -1 }
1697 {
1698     \bool_if:NT \g_@@_aux_found_bool
1699         { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_col_int { \seq_item:Nn \g_@@_size_seq 6 } }
1700 }
```

If there is an exterior row, we patch a command used in `\@_cell_begin:w` in order to keep track of some dimensions needed to the construction of that “last row”.

```

1701 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_row_int > { -2 }
1702 {
1703     \tl_put_right:Nn \@@_update_for_first_and_last_row:
1704     {
1705         \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_ht_last_row_dim
1706             { \dim_max:nn \g_@@_ht_last_row_dim { \box_ht:N \l_@@_cell_box } }
1707         \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_dp_last_row_dim
1708             { \dim_max:nn \g_@@_dp_last_row_dim { \box_dp:N \l_@@_cell_box } }
1709     }
1710 }

1711 \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_cols_vlism_seq
1712 \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_submatrix_seq
```

Now the `\CodeBefore`.

```
1713 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool \@@_exec_code_before:
```

The value of `\g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq` has been written on the `aux` file and loaded before the (potential) execution of the `\CodeBefore`. Now, we clear that variable because it will be reconstructed during the creation of the array.

```
1714 \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
```

Idem for other sequences written on the `aux` file.

```
1715 \seq_gclear_new:N \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq
1716 \seq_gclear_new:N \g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq
```

The command `\create_row_node:` will create a row-node (and not a row of nodes!). However, at the end of the array we construct a “false row” (for the col-nodes) and it interferes with the construction of the last row-node of the array. We don't want to create such row-node twice (to avoid warnings or, maybe, errors). That's why the command `\@_create_row_node:` will use the following counter to avoid such construction.

```
1717 \int_gset:Nn \g_@@_last_row_node_int { -2 }
```

The value -2 is important.

The code in `\@_pre_array_ii:` is used only here.

```
1718 \@_pre_array_ii:
```

The array will be composed in a box (named `\l_@@_the_array_box`) because we have to do manipulations concerning the potential exterior rows.

```
1719 \box_clear_new:N \l_@@_the_array_box
```

We compute the width of both delimiters. We remind that, when the environment `{NiceArray}` is used, it's possible to specify the delimiters in the preamble (eg `[ccc]`).

```
1720 \dim_zero_new:N \l_@@_left_delim_dim
1721 \dim_zero_new:N \l_@@_right_delim_dim
1722 \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_delims_bool
1723 {
```

The command `\bBigg@` is a command of `amsmath`.

```
1724 \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box { $ \bBigg@ 5 \g_@@_left_delim_tl $ }
1725 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_left_delim_dim { \box_wd:N \l_tmpa_box }
1726 \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box { $ \bBigg@ 5 \g_@@_right_delim_tl $ }
1727 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_right_delim_dim { \box_wd:N \l_tmpa_box }
1728 }
1729 {
1730     \dim_gset:Nn \l_@@_left_delim_dim
1731     { 2 \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool \tabcolsep \arraycolsep }
1732     \dim_gset_eq:NN \l_@@_right_delim_dim \l_@@_left_delim_dim
1733 }
```

Here is the beginning of the box which will contain the array. The `\hbox_set_end:` corresponding to this `\hbox_set:Nw` will be in the second part of the environment (and the closing `\c_math_toggle_token` also).

```
1734 \hbox_set:Nw \l_@@_the_array_box
1735 \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool
1736 { \UseTaggingSocket { tbl / hmode / begin } }

1737 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_left_margin_dim
1738 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_extra_left_margin_dim
1739 \c_math_toggle_token
1740 \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_light_syntax_bool
1741 { \use:c { @@-light-syntax } }
1742 { \use:c { @@-normal-syntax } }
1743 }
```

The following command `\@@_CodeBefore_Body:w` will be used when the keyword `\CodeBefore` is present at the beginning of the environment.

```
1744 \cs_new_protected_nopar:Npn \@@_CodeBefore_Body:w #1 \Body
1745 {
1746     \tl_set:Nn \l_tmpa_tl { #1 }
1747     \int_compare:nNnT { \char_value_catcode:n { 60 } } = { 13 }
1748     { \@@_rescan_for_spanish:N \l_tmpa_tl }
1749     \tl_gput_left:NV \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl \l_tmpa_tl
1750     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_code_before_bool
```

We go on with `\@@_pre_array:` which will (among other) execute the `\CodeBefore` (specified in the key `code-before` or after the keyword `\CodeBefore`). By definition, the `\CodeBefore` must be executed before the body of the array...

```
1751 \@@_pre_array:
1752 }
```

10 The \CodeBefore

The following command will be executed if the \CodeBefore has to be actually executed (that command will be used only once and is present alone only for legibility).

```
1753 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_pre_code_before:
1754 {
```

First, we give values to the LaTeX counters `iRow` and `jCol`. We remind that, in the \CodeBefore (and in the \CodeAfter) they represent the numbers of rows and columns of the array (without the potential last row and last column). The value of `\g_@@_row_total_int` is the number of the last row (with potentially a last exterior row) and `\g_@@_col_total_int` is the number of the last column (with potentially a last exterior column).

```
1755 \int_set:Nn \c@iRow { \seq_item:Nn \g_@@_size_seq 2 }
1756 \int_set:Nn \c@jCol { \seq_item:Nn \g_@@_size_seq 5 }
1757 \int_set_eq:NN \g_@@_row_total_int { \seq_item:Nn \g_@@_size_seq 3 }
1758 \int_set_eq:NN \g_@@_col_total_int { \seq_item:Nn \g_@@_size_seq 6 }
```

Now, we will create all the `col` nodes and `row` nodes with the informations written in the `aux` file. You use the technique described in the page 1229 of `pgfmanual.pdf`, version 3.1.4b.

```
1759 \pgfsys@markposition { \@@_env: - position }
1760 \pgfsys@getposition { \@@_env: - position } \@@_picture_position:
1761 \pgfpicture
1762 \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
```

First, the recreation of the `row` nodes.

```
1763 \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_row_int { \g_@@_row_total_int + 1 }
1764 {
1765     \pgfsys@getposition { \@@_env: - row - ##1 } \@@_node_position:
1766     \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - row - ##1 }
1767         { \pgfpointdiff \@@_picture_position: \@@_node_position: }
1768 }
```

Now, the recreation of the `col` nodes.

```
1769 \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_col_int { \g_@@_col_total_int + 1 }
1770 {
1771     \pgfsys@getposition { \@@_env: - col - ##1 } \@@_node_position:
1772     \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - col - ##1 }
1773         { \pgfpointdiff \@@_picture_position: \@@_node_position: }
1774 }
```

Now, you recreate the diagonal nodes by using the `row` nodes and the `col` nodes.

```
1775 \@@_create_diag_nodes:
```

Now, the creation of the cell nodes ($i-j$), and, maybe also the “medium nodes” and the “large nodes”.

```
1776 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_recreate_cell_nodes_bool \@@_recreate_cell_nodes:
1777 \endpgfpicture
```

Now, the recreation of the nodes of the blocks *which have a name*.

```
1778 \@@_create_blocks_nodes:
1779 \IfPackageLoadedTF { tikz }
1780 {
1781     \tikzset
1782     {
1783         every picture / .style =
1784             { overlay , name-prefix = \@@_env: - }
1785     }
1786 }
1787 \cs_set_eq:NN \cellcolor \@@_cellcolor
1788 \cs_set_eq:NN \rectanglecolor \@@_rectanglecolor
1789 \cs_set_eq:NN \roundedrectanglecolor \@@_roundedrectanglecolor
1790 \cs_set_eq:NN \rowcolor \@@_rowcolor
```

```

1792 \cs_set_eq:NN \rowcolors \@@_rowcolors
1793 \cs_set_eq:NN \rowlistcolors \@@_rowlistcolors
1794 \cs_set_eq:NN \arraycolor \@@_arraycolor
1795 \cs_set_eq:NN \columncolor \@@_columncolor
1796 \cs_set_eq:NN \chessboardcolors \@@_chessboardcolors
1797 \cs_set_eq:NN \SubMatrix \@@_SubMatrix_in_code_before
1798 \cs_set_eq:NN \ShowCellNames \@@_ShowCellNames
1799 \cs_set_eq:NN \TikzEveryCell \@@_TikzEveryCell
1800 }
1801 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_exec_code_before:
1802 {
1803     \seq_gclear_new:N \g_@@_colors_seq

```

The sequence `\g_@@_colors_seq` will always contain as first element the special color `nocolor`: when that color is used, no color will be applied in the corresponding cells by the other coloring commands of `nicematrix`.

```

1804     \@@_add_to_colors_seq:nn { { nocolor } } { }
1805     \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_recreate_cell_nodes_bool
1806     \group_begin:

```

We compose the `\CodeBefore` in math mode in order to nullify the spaces put by the user between instructions in the `\CodeBefore`.

```
1807     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_tabular_bool \c_math_toggle_token
```

The following code is a security for the case the user has used `babel` with the option `spanish`: in that case, the characters < (de code ASCII 60) and > are activated and `Tikz` is not able to solve the problem (even with the `Tikz` library `babel`).

```

1808     \int_compare:nNnT { \char_value_catcode:n { 60 } } = { 13 }
1809     { \@@_rescan_for_spanish:N \l_@@_code_before_tl }

```

Here is the `\CodeBefore`. The construction is a bit complicated because `\g_@@_pre_code_before_tl` may begin with keys between square brackets. Moreover, after the analyze of those keys, we sometimes have to decide to do *not* execute the rest of `\g_@@_pre_code_before_tl` (when it is asked for the creation of cell nodes in the `\CodeBefore`). That's why we use a `\q_stop`: it will be used to discard the rest of `\g_@@_pre_code_before_tl`.

```

1810     \exp_last_unbraced:NV \@@_CodeBefore_keys:
1811     \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl

```

Now, all the cells which are specified to be colored by instructions in the `\CodeBefore` will actually be colored. It's a two-stages mechanism because we want to draw all the cells with the same color at the same time to absolutely avoid thin white lines in some PDF viewers.

```

1812     \@@_actually_color:
1813     \l_@@_code_before_tl
1814     \q_stop
1815     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_tabular_bool \c_math_toggle_token
1816     \group_end:
1817     \bool_if:NT \g_@@_recreate_cell_nodes_bool
1818     { \tl_put_left:Nn \@@_node_for_cell: \@@_patch_node_for_cell: }
1819 }

1820 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / CodeBefore }
1821 {
1822     create-cell-nodes .bool_gset:N = \g_@@_recreate_cell_nodes_bool ,
1823     create-cell-nodes .default:n = true ,
1824     sub-matrix .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / sub-matrix } { #1 } ,
1825     sub-matrix .value_required:n = true ,
1826     delimiters / color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
1827     delimiters / color .value_required:n = true ,
1828     unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for~CodeBefore }
1829 }

```

```

1830 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_CodeBefore_keys: { 0 { } }
1831 {
1832   \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / CodeBefore } { #1 }
1833   \@@_CodeBefore:w
1834 }

```

We have extracted the options of the keyword `\CodeBefore` in order to see whether the key `create-cell-nodes` has been used. Now, you can execute the rest of the `\CodeBefore`, excepted, of course, if we are in the first compilation.

```

1835 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_CodeBefore:w #1 \q_stop
1836 {
1837   \bool_if:NT \g_@@_aux_found_bool
1838   {
1839     \@@_pre_code_before:
1840     #1
1841   }
1842 }

```

By default, if the user uses the `\CodeBefore`, only the `col` nodes, `row` nodes and `diag` nodes are available in that `\CodeBefore`. With the key `create-cell-nodes`, the cell nodes, that is to say the nodes of the form $(i-j)$ (but not the extra nodes) are also available because those nodes also are recreated and that recreation is done by the following command.

```

1843 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_recreate_cell_nodes:
1844 {
1845   \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int
1846   {
1847     \pgfsys@getposition { \@@_env: - ##1 - base } \@@_node_position:
1848     \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - row - ##1 - base }
1849     { \pgfpointdiff \@@_picture_position: \@@_node_position: }
1850   \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int
1851   {
1852     \cs_if_exist:cT
1853     { pgf @ sys @ pdf @ mark @ pos @ \@@_env: - ##1 - ####1 - NW }
1854     {
1855       \pgfsys@getposition
1856       { \@@_env: - ##1 - ####1 - NW }
1857       \@@_node_position:
1858       \pgfsys@getposition
1859       { \@@_env: - ##1 - ####1 - SE }
1860       \@@_node_position_i:
1861       \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnn
1862       { \@@_env: - ##1 - ####1 }
1863       { \pgfpointdiff \@@_picture_position: \@@_node_position: }
1864       { \pgfpointdiff \@@_picture_position: \@@_node_position_i: }
1865     }
1866   }
1867 }
1868 \int_step_inline:nn \c@iRow
1869 {
1870   \pgfnodealias
1871   { \@@_env: - ##1 - last }
1872   { \@@_env: - ##1 - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
1873 }
1874 \int_step_inline:nn \c@jCol
1875 {
1876   \pgfnodealias
1877   { \@@_env: - last - ##1 }
1878   { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \c@iRow - ##1 }
1879 }
1880 \@@_create_extra_nodes:
1881 }

```

```

1882 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_blocks_nodes:
1883 {
1884     \pgfpicture
1885     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
1886     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
1887     \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
1888         { \@@_create_one_block_node:nnnnn ##1 }
1889     \endpgfpicture
1890 }
1891 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_one_block_node:nnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
1892 {
1893     \tl_if_empty:nF { #5 }
1894     {
1895         \@@_qpoint:n { col - #2 }
1896         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@x
1897         \@@_qpoint:n { #1 }
1898         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_dim \pgf@y
1899         \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { #4 + 1 } }
1900         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@x
1901         \@@_qpoint:n { \int_eval:n { #3 + 1 } }
1902         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_dim \pgf@y
1903         \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnnnn
1904             { \@@_env: - #5 }
1905             { \dim_use:N \l_tmpa_dim }
1906             { \dim_use:N \l_tmpb_dim }
1907             { \dim_use:N \l_@@_tmpc_dim }
1908             { \dim_use:N \l_@@_tmpd_dim }
1909     }
1910 }

1911 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_patch_for_revtex:
1912 {
1913     \cs_set_eq:NN \caddamp \caddamp@LaTeX
1914     \cs_set_eq:NN \insert@column \insert@column@array
1915     \cs_set_eq:NN \classx \classx@array
1916     \cs_set_eq:NN \xarraycr \xarraycr@array
1917     \cs_set_eq:NN \arraycr \arraycr@array
1918     \cs_set_eq:NN \xargarraycr \xargarraycr@array
1919     \cs_set_eq:NN \array \array@array
1920     \cs_set_eq:NN \array \array@array
1921     \cs_set_eq:NN \tabular \tabular@array
1922     \cs_set_eq:NN \mkpream \mkpream@array
1923     \cs_set_eq:NN \endarray \endarray@array
1924     \cs_set:Npn \tabarray { \ifnextchar [ { \array } { \array [ c ] } }
1925     \cs_set:Npn \endtabular { \endarray $ \egroup } % $
1926 }

```

11 The environment {NiceArrayWithDelims}

```

1927 \NewDocumentEnvironment { NiceArrayWithDelims }
1928     { m m 0 { } m ! 0 { } t \CodeBefore }
1929     {

```

⁶Moreover, there is also in the list `\g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq` the positions of the dotted lines (created by `\Cdots`, etc.) and, for these entries, there is, of course, no name (the fifth component is empty).

```

1930  \bool_if:NT \c_@@_revtex_bool \c_@patch_for_revtex:
1931  \c_@provide_pgfspdfmark:
1932  \bool_if:NT \g_@@_footnote_bool \savenotes

```

The aim of the following `\bgroup` (the corresponding `\egroup` is, of course, at the end of the environment) is to be able to put an exponent to a matrix in a mathematical formula.

```

1933  \bgroup
1934  \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_left_delim_tl { #1 }
1935  \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_right_delim_tl { #2 }
1936  \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_user_preamble_tl { #4 }
1937  \tl_if_empty:NT \g_@@_user_preamble_tl { \c_fatal:n { empty~preamble } }

1938  \int_gzero:N \g_@@_block_box_int
1939  \dim_zero:N \g_@@_width_last_col_dim
1940  \dim_zero:N \g_@@_width_first_col_dim
1941  \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_row_of_col_done_bool
1942  \str_if_empty:NT \g_@@_name_env_str
1943  { \str_gset:Nn \g_@@_name_env_str { NiceArrayWithDelims } }
1944  \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool
1945  \mode_leave_vertical:
1946  \c_test_if_math_mode:
1947  \bool_if:NT \l_@@_in_env_bool { \c_fatal:n { Yet~in~env } }
1948  \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_in_env_bool

```

The command `\CT@arc@` contains the instruction of color for the rules of the array⁷. This command is used by `\CT@arc@` but we use it also for compatibility with `colortbl`. But we want also to be able to use color for the rules of the array when `colortbl` is *not* loaded. That's why we do the following instruction which is in the patch of the beginning of arrays done by `colortbl`. Of course, we restore the value of `\CT@arc@` at the end of our environment.

```
1949  \cs_gset_eq:NN \c_@old_CT@arc@ \CT@arc@
```

We deactivate Tikz externalization because we will use PGF pictures with the options `overlay` and `remember picture` (or equivalent forms). We deactivate with `\tikzexternaldisable` and not with `\tikzset{external/export=false}` which is *not* equivalent.

```

1950  \cs_if_exist:NT \tikz@library@external@loaded
1951  {
1952    \tikzexternaldisable
1953    \cs_if_exist:NT \ifstandalone
1954      { \tikzset { external / optimize = false } }
1955  }

```

We increment the counter `\g_@@_env_int` which counts the environments of the package.

```

1956  \int_gincr:N \g_@@_env_int
1957  \bool_if:NF \l_@@_block_auto_columns_width_bool
1958  { \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_max_cell_width_dim }

```

The sequence `\g_@@_blocks_seq` will contain the characteristics of the blocks (specified by `\Block`) of the array. The sequence `\g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq` will contain only the position of the blocks (except the blocks with the key `hvlines`).

```

1959  \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_blocks_seq
1960  \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq

```

In fact, the sequence `\g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq` will also contain the positions of the cells with a `\diagbox` and the `\multicolumn`.

```

1961  \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_pos_of_stroken_blocks_seq
1962  \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_pos_of_xdots_seq
1963  \tl_gclear_new:N \g_@@_code_before_tl
1964  \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_row_style_tl

```

We load all the informations written in the `aux` file during previous compilations corresponding to the current environment.

⁷e.g. `\color[rgb]{0.5,0.5,0}`

```

1965 \tl_if_exist:cTF { c_@@_int_use:N \g_@@_env_int _ tl }
1966 {
1967     \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_aux_found_bool
1968     \use:c { c_@@_int_use:N \g_@@_env_int _ tl }
1969 }
1970 { \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_aux_found_bool }

```

Now, we prepare the token list for the instructions that we will have to write on the `aux` file at the end of the environment.

```

1971 \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_aux_tl
1972 \tl_if_empty:NF \g_@@_code_before_tl
1973 {
1974     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_code_before_bool
1975     \tl_put_right:NV \l_@@_code_before_tl \g_@@_code_before_tl
1976 }
1977 \tl_if_empty:NF \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
1978 { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_code_before_bool }

```

The set of keys is not exactly the same for `{NiceArray}` and for the variants of `{NiceArray}` (`{pNiceArray}`, `{bNiceArray}`, etc.) because, for `{NiceArray}`, we have the options `t`, `c`, `b` and `baseline`.

```

1979 \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_delims_bool
1980 { \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / pNiceArray } }
1981 { \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / NiceArray } }
1982 { #3 , #5 }

1983 \@@_set_CTabrc@:o \l_@@_rules_color_tl

```

The argument `#6` is the last argument of `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`. With that argument of type “`t \CodeBefore`”, we test whether there is the keyword `\CodeBefore` at the beginning of the body of the environment. If that keyword is present, we have now to extract all the content between that keyword `\CodeBefore` and the (other) keyword `\Body`. It’s the job that will do the command `\@@_CodeBefore_Body:w`. After that job, the command `\@@_CodeBefore_Body:w` will go on with `\@@_pre_array:`.

```

1984 \bool_if:nTF { #6 } \@@_CodeBefore_Body:w \@@_pre_array:
1985 }

```

Now, the second part of the environment `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`.

```

1986 {
1987     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_light_syntax_bool
1988     { \use:c { end @-light-syntax } }
1989     { \use:c { end @-normal-syntax } }
1990     \c_math_toggle_token
1991     \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_right_margin_dim
1992     \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_extra_right_margin_dim
1993
1994 % awful workaround
1995 \int_compare:nNnT \g_@@_col_total_int = \c_one_int
1996 {
1997     \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_columns_width_dim > \c_zero_dim
1998     {
1999         \skip_horizontal:N - \l_@@_columns_width_dim
2000         \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool
2001             { \skip_horizontal:n { - 2 \tabcolsep } }
2002             { \skip_horizontal:n { - 2 \arraycolsep } }
2003     }
2004 }
2005 \hbox_set_end:

```

End of the construction of the array (in the box `\l_@@_the_array_box`).

If the user has used the key `width` without any column X, we raise an error.

```

2006 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_width_used_bool
2007 {

```

```

2008     \int_if_zero:nT \g_@@_total_X_weight_int
2009         { \@@_error_or_warning:n { width-without-X-columns } }
2010     }

```

Now, if there is at least one X-column in the environment, we compute the width that those columns will have (in the next compilation). In fact, `\l_@@_X_columns_dim` will be the width of a column of weight 1. For a X-column of weight n , the width will be `\l_@@_X_columns_dim` multiplied by n .

```

2011     \int_compare:nNnT \g_@@_total_X_weight_int > \c_zero_int
2012     {
2013         \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_aux_tl
2014         {
2015             \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_X_columns_aux_bool
2016             \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_X_columns_dim
2017             {
2018                 \dim_compare:nNnTF
2019                 {
2020                     \dim_abs:n
2021                         { \l_@@_width_dim - \box_wd:N \l_@@_the_array_box }
2022                 }
2023                 <
2024                 { 0.001 pt }
2025                 { \dim_use:N \l_@@_X_columns_dim }
2026                 {
2027                     \dim_eval:n
2028                     {
2029                         ( \l_@@_width_dim - \box_wd:N \l_@@_the_array_box )
2030                         / \int_use:N \g_@@_total_X_weight_int
2031                         + \l_@@_X_columns_dim
2032                     }
2033                 }
2034             }
2035         }
2036     }

```

If the user has used the key `last-row` with a value, we control that the given value is correct (since we have just constructed the array, we know the actual number of rows of the array).

```

2037     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_row_int > { -2 }
2038     {
2039         \bool_if:NF \l_@@_last_row_without_value_bool
2040         {
2041             \int_compare:nNnF \l_@@_last_row_int = \c@iRow
2042             {
2043                 \@@_error:n { Wrong~last~row }
2044                 \int_gset_eq:NN \l_@@_last_row_int \c@iRow
2045             }
2046         }
2047     }

```

Now, the definition of `\c@jCol` and `\g_@@_col_total_int` change: `\c@jCol` will be the number of columns without the “last column”; `\g_@@_col_total_int` will be the number of columns with this “last column”.⁸

```

2048     \int_gset_eq:NN \c@jCol \g_@@_col_total_int
2049     \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_last_col_found_bool
2050         { \int_gdecr:N \c@jCol }
2051     {
2052         \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_col_int > { -1 }
2053         { \@@_error:n { last~col~not~used } }
2054     }

```

We fix also the value of `\c@iRow` and `\g_@@_row_total_int` with the same principle.

```

2055     \int_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_row_total_int \c@iRow

```

⁸We remind that the potential “first column” (exterior) has the number 0.

```
2056     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_row_int > { -1 } { \int_gdecr:N \c@iRow }
```

Now, we begin the real construction in the output flow of TeX. First, we take into account a potential “first column” (we remind that this “first column” has been constructed in an overlapping position and that we have computed its width in `\g_@@_width_first_col_dim`: see p. 90).

```
2057     \int_if_zero:nTF \l_@@_first_col_int
2058         { \skip_horizontal:N \g_@@_width_first_col_dim }
```

The construction of the real box is different whether we have delimiters to put.

```
2059     \bool_if:nTF { ! \g_@@_delims_bool }
2060     {
2061         \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_baseline_tl \c_@@_c_tl
2062             \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes_c:
2063             {
2064                 \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_baseline_tl \c_@@_b_tl
2065                     \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes_b:
2066                     \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes:
2067             }
2068     }
```

Now, in the case of an environment with delimiters. We compute `\l_tmpa_dim` which is the total height of the “first row” above the array (when the key `first-row` is used).

```
2069     {
2070         \int_if_zero:nTF \l_@@_first_row_int
2071             {
2072                 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \g_@@_dp_row_zero_dim
2073                 \dim_add:Nn \l_tmpa_dim \g_@@_ht_row_zero_dim
2074             }
2075             { \dim_zero:N \l_tmpa_dim }
```

We compute `\l_tmpb_dim` which is the total height of the “last row” below the array (when the key `last-row` is used). A value of `-2` for `\l_@@_last_row_int` means that there is no “last row”.⁹

```
2076     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_last_row_int > { -2 }
2077     {
2078         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_dim \g_@@_ht_last_row_dim
2079         \dim_add:Nn \l_tmpb_dim \g_@@_dp_last_row_dim
2080     }
2081     { \dim_zero:N \l_tmpb_dim }
2082     \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box
2083     {
2084         \c_math_toggle_token
2085         \@@_color:o \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl
2086         \exp_after:wN \left \g_@@_left_delim_tl
2087         \vcenter
2088     }
```

We take into account the “first row” (we have previously computed its total height in `\l_tmpa_dim`). The `\hbox:n` (or `\hbox`) is necessary here.

```
2089     \skip_vertical:n { -\l_tmpa_dim - \arrayrulewidth }
2090     \hbox
2091     {
2092         \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool
2093             { \skip_horizontal:N -\tabcolsep }
2094             { \skip_horizontal:N -\arraycolsep }
2095             \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes_c:
2096             \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool
2097                 { \skip_horizontal:N -\tabcolsep }
2098                 { \skip_horizontal:N -\arraycolsep }
2099     }
```

We take into account the “last row” (we have previously computed its total height in `\l_tmpb_dim`).

```
2100     \skip_vertical:N -\l_tmpb_dim
```

⁹A value of `-1` for `\l_@@_last_row_int` means that there is a “last row” but the user have not set the value with the option `last row` (and we are in the first compilation).

```

2101           \skip_vertical:N \arrayrulewidth
2102       }
2103   \exp_after:wN \right \g_@@_right_delim_tl
2104   \c_math_toggle_token
2105 }

```

Now, the box `\l_tmpa_box` is created with the correct delimiters.

We will put the box in the TeX flow. However, we have a small work to do when the option `delimiters/max-width` is used.

```

2106 \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_delimiters_max_width_bool
2107 {
2108     \@@_put_box_in_flow_bis:nn
2109     \g_@@_left_delim_tl
2110     \g_@@_right_delim_tl
2111 }
2112 \@@_put_box_in_flow:
2113 }

```

We take into account a potential “last column” (this “last column” has been constructed in an overlapping position and we have computed its width in `\g_@@_width_last_col_dim`: see p. 91).

```

2114 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_last_col_found_bool
2115 { \skip_horizontal:N \g_@@_width_last_col_dim }
2116 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_preamble_bool
2117 {
2118     \int_compare:nNnT \c@jCol < \g_@@_static_num_of_col_int
2119     { \@@_warning_gredirect_none:n { columns-not-used } }
2120 }
2121 \@@_after_array:

```

The aim of the following `\egroup` (the corresponding `\bgroup` is, of course, at the beginning of the environment) is to be able to put an exposant to a matrix in a mathematical formula.

```
2122 \egroup
```

We write on the `aux` file all the informations corresponding to the current environment.

```

2123 \iow_now:Nn \mainaux { \ExplSyntaxOn }
2124 \iow_now:Nn \mainaux { \char_set_catcode_space:n { 32 } }
2125 \iow_now:Nx \mainaux
2126 {
2127     \tl_gset:cn { c_@@_ \int_use:N \g_@@_env_int _ tl }
2128     { \exp_not:o \g_@@_aux_tl }
2129 }
2130 \iow_now:Nn \mainaux { \ExplSyntaxOff }

2131 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_footnote_bool \endsavenotes
2132 }

```

This is the end of the environment `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`.

12 We construct the preamble of the array

The final user provides a preamble, but we must convert that preamble into a preamble which will be given to `\array` (of the package `array`).

The preamble given by the final user is stored in `\g_@@_user_preamble_tl`. The modified version will be stored in `\g_@@_array_preamble_tl` also.

```

2133 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_transform_preamble:
2134 {
2135     \@@_transform_preamble_i:
2136     \@@_transform_preamble_ii:
2137 }

```

```

2138 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_transform_preamble_i:
2139 {
2140     \int_gzero:N \c@jCol

```

The sequence `\g_@@_cols_vlsm_seq` will contain the numbers of the columns where you will have to draw vertical lines in the potential sub-matrices (hence the name `vlsm`).

```

2141     \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_cols_vlsm_seq

```

`\g_tmpb_bool` will be raised if you have a `|` at the end of the preamble provided by the final user.

```

2142     \bool_gset_false:N \g_tmpb_bool

```

The following sequence will store the arguments of the successive `>` in the preamble.

```

2143     \tl_gclear_new:N \g_@@_pre_cell_tl

```

The counter `\l_tmpa_int` will count the number of consecutive occurrences of the symbol `|`.

```

2144     \int_zero:N \l_tmpa_int
2145     \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2146     \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_vlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
2147     {
2148         \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2149         { ! { \skip_horizontal:N \arrayrulewidth } }
2150     }
2151     {
2152         \clist_if_in:NnT \l_@@_vlines_clist 1
2153         {
2154             \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2155             { ! { \skip_horizontal:N \arrayrulewidth } }
2156         }
2157     }

```

Now, we actually make the preamble (which will be given to `{array}`). It will be stored in `\g_@@_array_preamble_tl`.

```

2158     \exp_last_unbraced:NV \@@_rec_preamble:n \g_@@_user_preamble_tl \stop
2159     \int_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_static_num_of_col_int \c@jCol
2160
2161     \@@_replace_columncolor:

```

```

2162 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
2163 {
2164     \IfPackageLoadedTF { colortbl }
2165     {

```

When `colortbl` is used, we have to catch the tokens `\columncolor` in the preamble because, otherwise, `colortbl` will catch them and the colored panels won't be drawn by `nicematrix` but by `colortbl` (with an output which is not perfect).

```

2166     \regex_const:Nn \c_@@_columncolor_regex { \c { columncolor } }
2167     \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_replace_columncolor:
2168     {
2169         \regex_replace_all:NnN
2170         \c_@@_columncolor_regex
2171         { \c { @@_columncolor_preamble } }
2172         \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2173     }
2174 }
2175 {
2176     \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_replace_columncolor:
2177     { \cs_set_eq:NN \columncolor \@@_columncolor_preamble }
2178 }
2179

```

```

2180 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_transform_preamble_ii:
2181 {

```

If there were delimiters at the beginning or at the end of the preamble, the environment `{NiceArray}` is transformed into an environment `{xNiceMatrix}`.

```

2182     \tl_if_eq:NNTF \g_@@_left_delim_tl \c_@@_dot_tl
2183     {
2184         \tl_if_eq:NNF \g_@@_right_delim_tl \c_@@_dot_tl
2185         { \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_delims_bool }
2186     }
2187     { \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_delims_bool }
```

We want to remind whether there is a specifier `|` at the end of the preamble.

```
2188     \bool_if:NT \g_tmpb_bool { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_bar_at_end_of_pream_bool }
```

We complete the preamble with the potential “exterior columns” (on both sides).

```

2189     \int_if_zero:nTF \l_@@_first_col_int
2190     { \tl_gput_left:No \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \c_@@_preamble_first_col_tl }
2191     {
2192         \bool_if:NF \g_@@_delims_bool
2193         {
2194             \bool_if:NF \l_@@_tabular_bool
2195             {
2196                 \tl_if_empty:NT \l_@@_vlines_clist
2197                 {
2198                     \bool_if:NF \l_@@_exterior_arraycolsep_bool
2199                     { \tl_gput_left:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { @ { } } }
2200                 }
2201             }
2202         }
2203     }
2204     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_last_col_int > { -1 }
2205     { \tl_gput_right:No \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \c_@@_preamble_last_col_tl }
2206     {
2207         \bool_if:NF \g_@@_delims_bool
2208         {
2209             \bool_if:NF \l_@@_tabular_bool
2210             {
2211                 \tl_if_empty:NT \l_@@_vlines_clist
2212                 {
2213                     \bool_if:NF \l_@@_exterior_arraycolsep_bool
2214                     { \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { @ { } } }
2215                 }
2216             }
2217         }
2218     }
```

We add a last column to raise a good error message when the user puts more columns than allowed by its preamble. However, for technical reasons, it’s not possible to do that in `{NiceTabular*}` (we control that with the value of `\l_@@_tabular_width_dim`).

```

2219     \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_tabular_width_dim = \c_zero_dim
2220     {
2221         \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2222         { > { \@@_error_too_much_cols: } 1 }
2223     }
2224 }
```

The preamble provided by the final user will be read by a finite automata. The following function `\@@_rec_preamble:n` will read that preamble (usually letter by letter) in a recursive way (hence the name of that function). in the preamble.

```

2225     \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rec_preamble:n #1
2226     {
```

For the majority of the letters, we will trigger the corresponding action by calling directly a function in the main hashtable of TeX (thanks to the mechanism `\csname... \endcsname`. Be careful: all these functions take in as first argument the letter (or token) itself.¹⁰

```
2227   \cs_if_exist:cTF { @@ _ \token_to_str:N #1 }
2228     { \use:c { @@ _ \token_to_str:N #1 } { #1 } }
2229   {
```

Now, the columns defined by `\newcolumntype` of array.

```
2230   \cs_if_exist:cTF { NC @ find @ #1 }
2231     {
2232       \tl_set_eq:Nc \l_tmpb_tl { NC @ rewrite @ #1 }
2233       \exp_last_unbraced:NV \@@_rec_preamble:n \l_tmpb_tl
2234     }
2235     {
2236       \tl_if_eq:nnT { #1 } { S }
2237         { \@@_fatal:n { unknown~column~type-S } }
2238         { \@@_fatal:nn { unknown~column~type } { #1 } }
2239     }
2240   }
2241 }
```

For `c`, `l` and `r`

```
2242 \cs_new:Npn \@@_c #1
2243 {
2244   \tl_gput_right:No \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2245   \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2246   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2247   { > \@@_cell_begin:w c < \@@_cell_end: }
```

We increment the counter of columns and then we test for the presence of a `<`.

```
2248 \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
2249 \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2250 }

2251 \cs_new:Npn \@@_l #1
2252 {
2253   \tl_gput_right:No \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2254   \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2255   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2256   {
2257     > { \@@_cell_begin:w \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl \c_@@_l_tl }
2258     l
2259     < \@@_cell_end:
2260   }
2261   \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
2262   \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2263 }

2264 \cs_new:Npn \@@_r #1
2265 {
2266   \tl_gput_right:No \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2267   \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2268   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2269   {
2270     > { \@@_cell_begin:w \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl \c_@@_r_tl }
2271     r
2272     < \@@_cell_end:
2273   }
2274   \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
2275   \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2276 }
```

¹⁰We do that because it's an easy way to insert the letter at some places in the code that we will add to `\g_@@_array_preamble_tl`.

For ! and @

```
2277 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ! } #1 #2
2278 {
2279   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { #1 { #2 } }
2280   \@@_rec_preamble:n
2281 }
2282 \cs_set_eq:cc { @@ _ \token_to_str:N @ } { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ! }
```

For |

```
2283 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ | } #1
2284 {
\l_tmpa_int is the number of successive occurrences of |
2285   \int_incr:N \l_tmpa_int
2286   \@@_make_preamble_i_i:n
2287 }
2288 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_i_i:n #1
2289 {
2290   \str_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } |
2291   { \use:c { @@ _ | } | }
2292   { \@@_make_preamble_i_ii:nn { } #1 }
2293 }
2294 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_i_ii:nn #1 #2
2295 {
2296   \str_if_eq:nnTF { #2 } [
2297   { \@@_make_preamble_i_ii:nw { #1 } [ }
2298   { \@@_make_preamble_i_iii:nn { #2 } { #1 } }
2299 ]
2300 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_i_ii:nw #1 [ #2 ]
2301 { \@@_make_preamble_i_ii:nn { #1 , #2 } }
2302 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_i_iii:nn #1 #2
2303 {
2304   \@@_compute_rule_width:n { multiplicity = \l_tmpa_int , #2 }
2305   \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2306 }
```

Here, the command \dim_eval:n is mandatory.

```
2307   \exp_not:N ! { \skip_horizontal:n { \dim_eval:n { \l_@@_rule_width_dim } } }
2308 }
2309 \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
2310 {
2311   \@@_vline:n
2312   {
2313     position = \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } ,
2314     multiplicity = \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int ,
2315     total_width = \dim_use:N \l_@@_rule_width_dim ,
2316     #2
2317 }
```

We don't have provided value for start nor for end, which means that the rule will cover (potentially) all the rows of the array.

```
2318   }
2319   \int_zero:N \l_tmpa_int
2320   \str_if_eq:nnT { #1 } { \stop } { \bool_gset_true:N \g_tmpb_bool }
2321   \@@_rec_preamble:n #1
2322 }

2323 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ > } #1 #2
2324 {
2325   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_pre_cell_tl { > { #2 } }
2326   \@@_rec_preamble:n
2327 }
```

```

2328 \bool_new:N \l_@@_bar_at_end_of_pream_bool

The specifier p (and also the specifiers m, b, V and X) have an optional argument between square
brackets for a list of key-value pairs. Here are the corresponding keys.

2329 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / p-column }
2330 {
2331   r .code:n = \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_r_str ,
2332   r .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2333   c .code:n = \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_c_str ,
2334   c .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2335   l .code:n = \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_l_str ,
2336   l .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2337   R .code:n =
2338     \IfPackageLoadedTF { ragged2e }
2339       { \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_R_str }
2340       {
2341         \@@_error_or_warning:n { ragged2e-not-loaded }
2342         \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_r_str
2343       } ,
2344   R .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2345   L .code:n =
2346     \IfPackageLoadedTF { ragged2e }
2347       { \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_L_stsr }
2348       {
2349         \@@_error_or_warning:n { ragged2e-not-loaded }
2350         \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_l_str
2351       } ,
2352   L .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2353   C .code:n =
2354     \IfPackageLoadedTF { ragged2e }
2355       { \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_C_stsr }
2356       {
2357         \@@_error_or_warning:n { ragged2e-not-loaded }
2358         \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_c_str
2359       } ,
2360   C .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2361   S .code:n = \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_si_str ,
2362   S .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2363   p .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_col_str { p } ,
2364   p .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2365   t .meta:n = p ,
2366   m .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_col_str { m } ,
2367   m .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2368   b .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_col_str { b } ,
2369   b .value_forbidden:n = true ,
2370 }

```

For p but also b and m.

```

2371 \cs_new:Npn \@@_p #1
2372 {
2373   \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_col_str { #1 }

```

Now, you look for a potential character [after the letter of the specifier (for the options).

```

2374 \@@_make_preamble_ii_i:n
2375 }
2376 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_b \@@_p
2377 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_m \@@_p
2378 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_ii_i:n #1
2379 {
2380   \str_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } { [ ]
2381     { \@@_make_preamble_ii_ii:w [ ]
2382       { \@@_make_preamble_ii_ii:w [ ] { #1 } }
2383     }

```

```

2384 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_ii_ii:w [ #1 ]
2385   { \@@_make_preamble_ii_iii:nn { #1 } }

```

#1 is the optional argument of the specifier (a list of *key-value* pairs).
#2 is the mandatory argument of the specifier: the width of the column.

```

2386 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_ii_iii:nn #1 #2
2387   {

```

The possible values of `\l_@@_hpos_col_str` are `j` (for *justified* which is the initial value), `l`, `c`, `r`, `L`, `C` and `R` (when the user has used the corresponding key in the optional argument of the specifier).

```

2388   \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_j_str
2389   \@@_keys_p_column:n { #1 }
2390   \@@_make_preamble_ii_iv:nnn { #2 } { minipage } { }
2391   }
2392 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_keys_p_column:n #1
2393   { \keys_set_known:nnN { nicematrix / p-column } { #1 } \l_tmpa_tl }

```

The first argument is the width of the column. The second is the type of environment: `minipage` or `varwidth`. The third is some code added at the beginning of the cell.

```

2394 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_ii_iv:nnn #1 #2 #3
2395   {
2396     \use:e
2397     {
2398       \@@_make_preamble_ii_v:nnnnnnnn
2399       { \str_if_eq:onTF \l_@@_vpos_col_str { p } { t } { b } }
2400       { \dim_eval:n { #1 } }
2401       {

```

The parameter `\l_@@_hpos_col_str` (as `\l_@@_vpos_col_str`) exists only during the construction of the preamble. During the composition of the array itself, you will have, in each cell, the parameter `\l_@@_hpos_cell_tl` which will provide the horizontal alignment of the column to which belongs the cell.

```

2402   \str_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_j_str
2403     { \tl_clear:N \exp_not:N \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl }
2404     {
2405       \cs_set_nopar:Npn \exp_not:N \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl
2406         { \str_lowercase:o \l_@@_hpos_col_str }
2407     }
2408   \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_col_str
2409   {
2410     c { \exp_not:N \centering }
2411     l { \exp_not:N \raggedright }
2412     r { \exp_not:N \raggedleft }
2413     C { \exp_not:N \Centering }
2414     L { \exp_not:N \RaggedRight }
2415     R { \exp_not:N \RaggedLeft }
2416   }
2417   #3
2418 }
2419 { \str_if_eq:onT \l_@@_vpos_col_str { m } \@@_center_cell_box: }
2420 { \str_if_eq:onT \l_@@_hpos_col_str { si } \siunitx_cell_begin:w }
2421 { \str_if_eq:onT \l_@@_hpos_col_str { si } \siunitx_cell_end: }
2422 { #2 }
2423 {
2424   \str_case:onF \l_@@_hpos_col_str
2425   {
2426     { j } { c }
2427     { si } { c }
2428   }

```

We use `\str_lowercase:n` to convert `R` to `r`, etc.

```

2429   { \str_lowercase:o \l_@@_hpos_col_str }
2430   }
2431 }

```

We increment the counter of columns, and then we test for the presence of a <.

```
2432 \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
2433 \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2434 }
```

#1 is the optional argument of `{minipage}` (or `{varwidth}`): `t` or `b`. Indeed, for the columns of type `m`, we use the value `b` here because there is a special post-action in order to center vertically the box (see #4).

#2 is the width of the `{minipage}` (or `{varwidth}`), that is to say also the width of the column.
#3 is the coding for the horizontal position of the content of the cell (`\centering`, `\raggedright`, `\raggedleft` or nothing). It's also possible to put in that #3 some code to fix the value of `\l_@@_hpos_cell_t1` which will be available in each cell of the column.

#4 is an extra-code which contains `\@@_center_cell_box`: (when the column is a `m` column) or nothing (in the other cases).

#5 is a code put just before the `c` (or `r` or `l`: see #8).

#6 is a code put just after the `c` (or `r` or `l`: see #8).

#7 is the type of environment: `minipage` or `varwidth`.

#8 is the letter `c` or `r` or `l` which is the basic specifcier of column which is used *in fine*.

```
2435 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_i_i_v:nnnnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6 #7 #8
2436 {
2437   \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_si_str
2438     { \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_t1 { > { \@@_test_if_empty_for_S: } } }
2439     { \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_t1 { > { \@@_test_if_empty: } } }
2440   \tl_gput_right:No \g_@@_array_preamble_t1 \g_@@_pre_cell_t1
2441   \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_cell_t1
2442   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_t1
2443     {
2444       > {
```

The parameter `\l_@@_col_width_dim`, which is the width of the current column, will be available in each cell of the column. It will be used by the mono-column blocks.

```
2445   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_col_width_dim { #2 }
2446   \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool
2447     { \tag_struct_begin:n { tag = Div } }
2448   \@@_cell_begin:w
```

We use the form `\minipage–\endminipage` (`\varwidth–\endvarwidth`) for compatibility with `collcell` (2023-10-31).

```
2449   \use:c { #7 } [ #1 ] { #2 }
```

The following lines have been taken from `array.sty`.

```
2450   \everypar
2451   {
2452     \vrule height \box_ht:N \carstrutbox width \c_zero_dim
2453     \everypar { }
2454   }
2455   \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool \tagpdfparaOn
```

Now, the potential code for the horizontal position of the content of the cell (`\centering`, `\raggedright`, `\RaggedRight`, etc.).

```
2456   #3
```

The following code is to allow something like `\centering` in `\RowStyle`.

```
2457   \g_@@_row_style_t1
2458   \arraybackslash
2459   #5
2460   }
2461   #8
2462   < {
2463   #6
```

The following line has been taken from `array.sty`.

```
2464   \finalstrut \carstrutbox
2465   \use:c { end #7 }
```

If the letter in the preamble is `m`, #4 will be equal to `\@@_center_cell_box`: (see just below).

```

2466 #4
2467 \@@_cell_end:
2468 \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool \tag_struct_end:
2469 }
2470 }
2471 }

2472 \str_new:N \c_@@_ignorespaces_str
2473 \str_set:Nx \c_@@_ignorespaces_str { \ignorespaces }
2474 \str_remove_all:Nn \c_@@_ignorespaces_str { ~ }
2475 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_empty:
2476 { \peek_after:Nw \@@_test_if_empty_i: }
2477 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_empty_i:
2478 {
2479 \str_set:Nx \l_tmpa_str { \token_to_meaning:N \l_peek_token }
2480 \str_if_eq:NNT \l_tmpa_str \c_@@_ignorespaces_str
2481 { \@@_test_if_empty:w }
2482 }
2483 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_empty:w \ignorespaces
2484 { \peek_after:Nw \@@_test_if_empty_ii: }

2485 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_nullify_cell:
2486 {
2487 \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
2488 {
2489 \box_set_wd:Nn \l_@@_cell_box \c_zero_dim
2490 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_col_width_dim
2491 }
2492 }

2493 \bool_if:NTF \c_@@_tagging_array_bool
2494 {
2495 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_empty_ii:
2496 { \peek_meaning:NT \textonly@unskip \@@_nullify_cell: }
2497 }
```

In the old version of `array`, we test whether it begins by `\ignorespaces\unskip`. However, in some circumstances, for example when `\collectcell` of `colcell` is used, the cell does not begin with `\ignorespaces`. In that case, we consider as not empty... First, we test if the next token is `\ignorespaces` and it's not very easy...

```

2498 {
2499 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_empty_ii:
2500 { \peek_meaning:NT \unskip \@@_nullify_cell: }
2501 }

2502 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_empty_for_S:
2503 {
2504 \peek_meaning:NT \__siunitx_table_skip:n
2505 {
2506 \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
2507 { \box_set_wd:Nn \l_@@_cell_box \c_zero_dim }
2508 }
2509 }
```

The following command will be used in `m`-columns in order to center vertically the box. In fact, despite its name, the command does not always center the cell. Indeed, if there is only one row in the cell, it should not be centered vertically. It's not possible to know the number of rows of the cell. However, we consider (as in `array`) that if the height of the cell is no more than the height of `\strutbox`, there is only one row.

```

2510 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_center_cell_box:
2511 {
```

By putting instructions in `\g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl`, we require a post-action of the box `\l_@@_cell_box`.

```

2512     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
2513     {
2514         \int_compare:nNnT
2515             { \box_ht:N \l_@@_cell_box }
2516         >
2517             { \box_ht:N \strutbox }
2518             {
2519                 \hbox_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
2520                 {
2521                     \box_move_down:nn
2522                     {
2523                         ( \box_ht:N \l_@@_cell_box - \box_ht:N \carstrutbox
2524                         + \baselineskip ) / 2
2525                     }
2526                     { \box_use:N \l_@@_cell_box }
2527                 }
2528             }
2529         }
2530     }

```

For V (similar to the V of `varwidth`).

```

2531 \cs_new:Npn \@@_V #1 #2
2532 {
2533     \str_if_eq:nnTF { #2 } { [ ]
2534         { \@@_make_preamble_V_i:w [ ]
2535         { \@@_make_preamble_V_i:w [ ] { #2 } }
2536     }
2537 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_V_i:w [ #1 ]
2538 { \@@_make_preamble_V_ii:nn { #1 } }
2539 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_V_ii:nn #1 #2
2540 {
2541     \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_col_str { p }
2542     \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_col_str \c_@@_j_str
2543     \@@_keys_p_column:n { #1 }
2544     \IfPackageLoadedTF { varwidth }
2545         { \@@_make_preamble_ii_iv:nnn { #2 } { varwidth } { } }
2546     {
2547         \@@_error_or_warning:n { varwidth-not-loaded }
2548         \@@_make_preamble_ii_iv:nnn { #2 } { minipage } { }
2549     }
2550 }

```

For w and W

```

2551 \cs_new:Npn \@@_w { \@@_make_preamble_w:nnnn { } }
2552 \cs_new:Npn \@@_W { \@@_make_preamble_w:nnnn { \@@_special_W: } }

```

#1 is a special argument: empty for w and equal to `\@@_special_W:` for W;

#2 is the type of column (w or W);

#3 is the type of horizontal alignment (c, l, r or s);

#4 is the width of the column.

```

2553 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_w:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
2554 {
2555     \str_if_eq:nnTF { #3 } { s }
2556     { \@@_make_preamble_w_i:nnnn { #1 } { #4 } }
2557     { \@@_make_preamble_w_ii:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } { #4 } }
2558 }

```

First, the case of an horizontal alignment equal to **s** (for *stretch*).
#1 is a special argument: empty for **w** and equal to **\@_special_W**: for **W**;
#2 is the width of the column.

```

2559 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_w_i:nnnn #1 #2
2600 {
2610   \tl_gput_right:No \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2611   \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2612   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2613   {
2614     > {
2615       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_col_width_dim { #2 }
2616       \@@_cell_begin:w
2617       \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl \c_@@_c_tl
2618     }
2619   c
2620   < {
2621     \@@_cell_end_for_w_s:
2622     #1
2623     \@@_adjust_size_box:
2624     \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box
2625   }
2626 }
2627 \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
2628 \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2629 }
2630 }
```

Then, the most important version, for the horizontal alignments types of **c**, **l** and **r** (and not **s**).

```

2631 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_w_ii:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
2632 {
2633   \tl_gput_right:No \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2634   \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2635   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2636   {
2637     > {
2638       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_col_width_dim { #4 }
2639       \hbox_set:Nw \l_@@_cell_box
2640       \@@_cell_begin:w
2641       \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl { #3 }
2642     }
2643   c
2644   < {
2645     \@@_cell_end:
2646     \hbox_set_end:
2647     #1
2648     \@@_adjust_size_box:
2649     \makebox [ #4 ] [ #3 ] { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box }
2650   }
2651 }
```

The parameter **\l_@@_col_width_dim**, which is the width of the current column, will be available in each cell of the column. It will be used by the mono-column blocks.

```

2652       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_col_width_dim { #4 }
2653       \hbox_set:Nw \l_@@_cell_box
2654       \@@_cell_begin:w
2655       \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl { #3 }
2656     }
2657   c
2658   < {
2659     \@@_cell_end:
2660     \hbox_set_end:
2661     #1
2662     \@@_adjust_size_box:
2663     \makebox [ #4 ] [ #3 ] { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box }
2664   }
2665 }
```

We increment the counter of columns and then we test for the presence of a **<**.

```

2666 \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
2667 \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2668 }
2669
2670 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_special_W:
2671 {
2672   \dim_compare:nNnT { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } > \l_@@_col_width_dim
2673   { \@@_warning:n { W-warning } }
2674 }
```

For S (of siunitx).

```

2610 \cs_new:Npn \@@_S #1 #2
2611 {
2612     \str_if_eq:nnTF { #2 } { [ }
2613     { \@@_make_preamble_S:w [ ]
2614     { \@@_make_preamble_S:w [ ] { #2 } }
2615 }
2616 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_S:w [ #1 ]
2617 { \@@_make_preamble_S_i:n { #1 } }
2618 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_S_i:n #1
2619 {
2620     \IfPackageLoadedTF { siunitx }
2621     {
2622         \tl_gput_right:No \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2623         \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_cell_tl
2624         \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2625         {
2626             > {
2627                 \@@_cell_begin:w
2628                 \keys_set:nn { siunitx } { #1 }
2629                 \siunitx_cell_begin:w
2630             }
2631             c
2632             < { \siunitx_cell_end: \@@_cell_end: }
2633         }
2634     }
2635 }
```

We increment the counter of columns and then we test for the presence of a <.

```

2634 \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
2635 \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2636 }
2637 { \@@_fatal:n { siunitx-not-loaded } }
2638 }
```

For (, [and \{.

```

2639 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ( } #1 #2
2640 {
2641     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_small_bool { \@@_fatal:n { Delimiter-with-small } }
```

If we are before the column 1 and not in {NiceArray}, we reserve space for the left delimiter.

```

2642 \int_if_zero:nTF \c@jCol
2643 {
2644     \tl_if_eq:NNTF \g_@@_left_delim_tl \c_@@_dot_tl
2645     {
```

In that case, in fact, the first letter of the preamble must be considered as the left delimiter of the array.

```

2646     \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_left_delim_tl { #1 }
2647     \tl_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_right_delim_tl \c_@@_dot_tl
2648     \@@_rec_preamble:n #2
2649 }
2650 {
2651     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { ! { \enskip } }
2652     \@@_make_preamble_iv:nn { #1 } { #2 }
2653 }
2654 }
2655 { \@@_make_preamble_iv:nn { #1 } { #2 } }
2656 }
2657 \cs_set_eq:cc { @@ _ \token_to_str:N [ } { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ( }
2658 \cs_set_eq:cc { @@ _ \token_to_str:N \{ } { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ( }
2659 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_iv:nn #1 #2
2660 {
2661     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
2662     { \@@_delimiter:nnn #1 { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } } \c_true_bool }
```

```

2663 \tl_if_in:nnTF { ( [ \{ ] \} \left \right ) { #2 }
2664 {
2665     \@@_error:nn { delimiter-after-opening } { #2 }
2666     \@@_rec_preamble:n
2667 }
2668 { \@@_rec_preamble:n #2 }
2669 }

```

In fact, it would be possible to define `\left` and `\right` as no-op.

```

2670 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ \token_to_str:N \left } #1 { \use:c { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ( ) } }

```

For the closing delimiters. We have two arguments for the following command because we directly read the following letter in the preamble (we have to see whether we have a opening delimiter following and we also have to see whether we are at the end of the preamble because, in that case, our letter must be considered as the right delimiter of the environment if the environment is `{NiceArray}`).

```

2671 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ) } #1 #2
2672 {
2673     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_small_bool { \@@_fatal:n { Delimiter-with-small } }
2674     \tl_if_in:nnTF { ) ] \} } { #2 }
2675     { \@@_make_preamble_v:nnn #1 #2 }
2676 {
2677     \tl_if_eq:nnTF { \stop } { #2 }
2678     {
2679         \tl_if_eq:NNTF \g_@@_right_delim_tl \c_@@_dot_tl
2680         { \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_right_delim_tl { #1 } }
2681         {
2682             \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { ! { \enskip } }
2683             \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
2684             { \@@_delimiter:nnn #1 { \int_use:N \c@jCol } \c_false_bool }
2685             \@@_rec_preamble:n #2
2686         }
2687     }
2688 {
2689     \tl_if_in:nnT { ( [ \{ \left ) { #2 }
2690         { \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { ! { \enskip } } }
2691         \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
2692         { \@@_delimiter:nnn #1 { \int_use:N \c@jCol } \c_false_bool }
2693         \@@_rec_preamble:n #2
2694     }
2695 }
2696 }
2697 \cs_set_eq:cc { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ] } { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ) }
2698 \cs_set_eq:cc { @@ _ \token_to_str:N \} } { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ) }
2699 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_v:nnn #1 #2 #3
2700 {
2701     \tl_if_eq:nnTF { \stop } { #3 }
2702     {
2703         \tl_if_eq:NNTF \g_@@_right_delim_tl \c_@@_dot_tl
2704         {
2705             \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { ! { \enskip } }
2706             \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
2707             { \@@_delimiter:nnn #1 { \int_use:N \c@jCol } \c_false_bool }
2708             \tl_gset:Nn \g_@@_right_delim_tl { #2 }
2709         }
2710     {
2711         \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { ! { \enskip } }
2712         \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
2713         { \@@_delimiter:nnn #1 { \int_use:N \c@jCol } \c_false_bool }
2714         \@@_error:nn { double-closing-delimiter } { #2 }
2715     }
2716 }
2717 {
2718     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl

```

```

2719     { \@@_delimiter:nnn #1 { \int_use:N \c@jCol } \c_false_bool }
2720     \@@_error:nn { double~closing~delimiter } { #2 }
2721     \@@_rec_preamble:n #3
2722   }
2723 }

2724 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ \token_to_str:N \right } #1
2725   { \use:c { @@ _ \token_to_str:N ) } }

```

After a specifier of column, we have to test whether there is one or several `<{..}` because, after those potential `<{...}`, we have to insert `!{\skip_horizontal:N ...}` when the key `vlines` is used. In fact, we have also to test whether there is, after the `<{...}`, a `@{...}`.

```

2726 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n #1
2727   {
2728     \str_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } { < }
2729       \@@_rec_preamble_after_col_i:n
2730     {
2731       \str_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } { @ }
2732         \@@_rec_preamble_after_col_ii:n
2733       {
2734         \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_vlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
2735         {
2736           \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2737             { ! { \skip_horizontal:N \arrayrulewidth } }
2738         }
2739       {
2740         \exp_args:NNe
2741         \clist_if_in:NnT \l_@@_vlines_clist { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } }
2742         {
2743           \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2744             { ! { \skip_horizontal:N \arrayrulewidth } }
2745         }
2746       }
2747       \@@_rec_preamble:n { #1 }
2748     }
2749   }
2750 }

2751 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rec_preamble_after_col_i:n #1
2752   {
2753     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { < { #1 } }
2754     \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2755   }

```

We have to catch a `@{...}` after a specifier of column because, if we have to draw a vertical rule, we have to add in that `@{...}` a `\hskip` corresponding to the width of the vertical rule.

```

2756 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rec_preamble_after_col_ii:n #1
2757   {
2758     \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_vlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
2759     {
2760       \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2761         { @ { #1 \skip_horizontal:N \arrayrulewidth } }
2762     }
2763   {
2764     \exp_args:NNe
2765     \clist_if_in:NnTF \l_@@_vlines_clist { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } }
2766     {
2767       \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2768         { @ { #1 \skip_horizontal:N \arrayrulewidth } }
2769     }
2770     { \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl { @ { #1 } } }
2771   }
2772   \@@_rec_preamble:n
2773 }

```

```

2774 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ * } #1 #2 #3
2775 {
2776   \tl_clear:N \l_tmpa_tl
2777   \int_step_inline:nn { #2 } { \tl_put_right:Nn \l_tmpa_tl { #3 } }
2778   \exp_last_unbraced:No \@@_rec_preamble:n \l_tmpa_tl
2779 }
```

The token `\NC@find` is at the head of the definition of the `columns` type done by `\newcolumntype`. We wan't that token to be no-op here.

```
2780 \cs_new:cpn { @@ _ \token_to_str:N \NC@find } #1 { \@@_rec_preamble:n }
```

For the case of a letter `X`. This specifier may take in an optional argument (between square brackets). That's why we test whether there is a `[` after the letter `X`.

```

2781 \cs_new:Npn \@@_X #1 #2
2782 {
2783   \str_if_eq:nnTF { #2 } { [ ]
2784     { \@@_make_preamble_X:w [ ]
2785     { \@@_make_preamble_X:w [ ] #2 }
2786   }
2787 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_X:w [ #1 ]
2788 { \@@_make_preamble_X_i:n { #1 } }
```

`#1` is the optional argument of the `X` specifier (a list of *key-value* pairs).

The following set of keys is for the specifier `X` in the preamble of the array. Such specifier may have as keys all the keys of `{ nicematrix / p-column }` but also a key as 1, 2, 3, etc. The following set of keys will be used to retrieve that value (in the counter `\l_@@_weight_int`).

```
2789 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / X-column }
2790 { unknown .code:n = \int_set:Nn \l_@@_weight_int { \l_keys_key_str } }
```

In the following command, `#1` is the list of the options of the specifier `X`.

```
2791 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_X_i:n #1
2792 { }
```

The possible values of `\l_@@_hpos_col_str` are `j` (for *justified* which is the initial value), `l`, `c` and `r` (when the user has used the corresponding key in the optional argument of the specifier `X`).

```
2793 \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_col_str { j }
```

The possible values of `\l_@@_vpos_col_str` are `p` (the initial value), `m` and `b` (when the user has used the corresponding key in the optional argument of the specifier `X`).

```
2794 \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_col_str { p }
```

The integer `\l_@@_weight_int` will be the weight of the `X` column (the initial value is 1). The user may specify a different value (such as 2, 3, etc.) by putting that value in the optional argument of the specifier. The weights of the `X` columns are used in the computation of the actual width of those columns as in `tabu` (now obsolete) or `tabulararray`.

```
2795 \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_weight_int
2796 \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_weight_int \c_one_int
2797 \@@_keys_p_column:n { #1 }
```

The unknown keys are put in `\l_tmpa_tl`

```

2798 \keys_set:no { nicematrix / X-column } \l_tmpa_tl
2799 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_weight_int < \c_zero_int
2800 {
2801   \@@_error_or_warning:n { negative-weight }
2802   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_weight_int { - \l_@@_weight_int }
2803 }
2804 \int_gadd:Nn \g_@@_total_X_weight_int \l_@@_weight_int
```

We test whether we know the width of the X-columns by reading the `aux` file (after the first compilation, the width of the X-columns is computed and written in the `aux` file).

```

2805   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_X_columns_aux_bool
2806   {
2807     \exp_args:Nne
2808     \@@_make_preamble_i_iv:nnn
2809     { \l_@@_weight_int \l_@@_X_columns_dim }
2810     { minipage }
2811     { \@@_no_update_width: }
2812   }
2813   {
2814     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2815     {
2816       > {
2817         \@@_cell_begin:w
2818         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_X_bool

```

You encounter a problem on 2023-03-04: for an environment with X columns, during the first compilations (which are not the definitive one), sometimes, some cells are declared empty even if they should not. That's a problem because user's instructions may use these nodes. That's why we have added the following `\NotEmpty`.

```
2819   \NotEmpty
```

The following code will nullify the box of the cell.

```

2820   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
2821   { \hbox_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_box { } }
```

We put a `{minipage}` to give to the user the ability to put a command such as `\centering` in the `\RowStyle`.

```

2822           \begin{minipage}{5 cm} \arraybackslash
2823         }
2824       c
2825       < {
2826         \end{minipage}
2827         \@@_cell_end:
2828       }
2829     }
2830     \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
2831     \@@_rec_preamble_after_col:n
2832   }
2833 }

2834 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_no_update_width:
2835 {
2836   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
2837   { \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_update_max_cell_width: \prg_do_nothing: }
2838 }
```

For the letter set by the user with `vlines-in-sub-matrix` (`vlism`).

```

2839 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_preamble_vlism:n #1
2840 {
2841   \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_cols_vlism_seq
2842   { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } }
2843   \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
2844   { \exp_not:N ! { \skip_horizontal:N \arrayrulewidth } }
2845   \@@_rec_preamble:n
2846 }
```

The token `\stop` is a marker that we have inserted to mark the end of the preamble (as provided by the final user) that we have inserted in the TeX flow.

```
2847 \cs_set_eq:cN { @@ _ \token_to_str:N \stop } \use_none:n
```

The following lines try to catch some errors (when the final user has forgotten the preamble of its environment).

```
2848 \cs_new_protected:cpn { @@_ \token_to_str:N \hline }
2849   { \@@_fatal:n { Preamble-forgotten } }
2850 \cs_set_eq:cc { @@_ \token_to_str:N \Hline } { @@_ \token_to_str:N \hline }
2851 \cs_set_eq:cc { @@_ \token_to_str:N \toprule } { @@_ \token_to_str:N \hline }
2852 \cs_set_eq:cc { @@_ \token_to_str:N \CodeBefore } { @@_ \token_to_str:N \hline }
```

13 The redefinition of \multicolumn

The following command must *not* be protected since it begins with `\multispan` (a TeX primitive).

```
2853 \cs_new:Npn \@@_multicolumn:nnn #1 #2 #3
2854   {
```

The following lines are from the definition of `\multicolumn` in `array` (and *not* in standard LaTeX). The first line aims to raise an error if the user has put more than one column specifier in the preamble of `\multicolumn`.

```
2855 \multispan { #1 }
2856 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_update_max_cell_width: \prg_do_nothing:
2857 \begingroup
2858 \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool
2859   { \tbl_update_multicolumn_cell_data:n { #1 } }
2860 \cs_set_nopar:Npn \addamp
2861   { \legacy_if:nTF { @firstamp } { \qquad } { \qquad\qquad } }
```

Now, we patch the (small) preamble as we have done with the main preamble of the array.

```
2862 \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_preamble_tl
2863 \@@_make_m_preamble:n #2 \q_stop
```

The following lines are an adaptation of the definition of `\multicolumn` in `array`.

```
2864 \exp_args:No \mkpream \g_@@_preamble_tl
2865 \addtopreamble \empty
2866 \endgroup
2867 \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool
2868   { \UseTaggingSocket { \tbl / colspan } { #1 } }
```

Now, we do a treatment specific to `nicematrix` which has no equivalent in the original definition of `\multicolumn`.

```
2869 \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } > \c_one_int
2870   {
2871     \seq_gput_left:Nx \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq
2872       { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } }
2873     \seq_gput_left:Nn \g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq { #1 }
2874     \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
2875       {
2876         {
2877           \int_if_zero:nTF \c@jCol
2878             { \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
2879             { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
2880         }
2881         { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } }
2882       {
2883         \int_if_zero:nTF \c@jCol
2884           { \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
2885           { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
2886       }
2887       { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + #1 } }
2888   { } % for the name of the block
```

```

2889     }
2900 }

```

We want `\cellcolor` to be available in `\multicolumn` because `\cellcolor` of `colortbl` is available in `\multicolumn`.

```

2891 \RenewDocumentCommand \cellcolor { O { } m }
2892 {
2893     \@@_test_color_inside:
2894     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
2895     {
2896         \@@_rectanglecolor [ ##1 ]
2897         { \exp_not:n { ##2 } }
2898         { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
2899         { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + #1 } }
2900     }
2901     \ignorespaces
2902 }

```

The following lines were in the original definition of `\multicolumn`.

```

2903 \cs_set_nopar:Npn \sharp { #3 }
2904 \carstrut
2905 \preamble
2906 \null

```

We add some lines.

```

2907 \int_gadd:Nn \c@jCol { #1 - 1 }
2908 \int_compare:nNnT \c@jCol > \g_@@_col_total_int
2909     { \int_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_col_total_int \c@jCol }
2910 \ignorespaces
2911 }

```

The following commands will patch the (small) preamble of the `\multicolumn`. All those commands have a `m` in their name to recall that they deal with the redefinition of `\multicolumn`.

```

2912 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_m_preamble:n #1
2913 {
2914     \str_case:nnF { #1 }
2915     {
2916         c { \@@_make_m_preamble_i:n #1 }
2917         l { \@@_make_m_preamble_i:n #1 }
2918         r { \@@_make_m_preamble_i:n #1 }
2919         > { \@@_make_m_preamble_ii:nn #1 }
2920         ! { \@@_make_m_preamble_ii:nn #1 }
2921         @ { \@@_make_m_preamble_ii:nn #1 }
2922         | { \@@_make_m_preamble_iii:n #1 }
2923         p { \@@_make_m_preamble_iv:nnn t #1 }
2924         m { \@@_make_m_preamble_iv:nnn c #1 }
2925         b { \@@_make_m_preamble_iv:nnn b #1 }
2926         w { \@@_make_m_preamble_v:nnnn { } #1 }
2927         W { \@@_make_m_preamble_v:nnnn { \@@_special_W: } #1 }
2928         \q_stop { }
2929     }
2930     {
2931         \cs_if_exist:cTF { NC @ find @ #1 }
2932         {
2933             \tl_set_eq:Nc \l_tmpa_tl { NC @ rewrite @ #1 }
2934             \exp_last_unbraced:No \@@_make_m_preamble:n \l_tmpa_tl
2935         }
2936         {
2937             \tl_if_eq:nnT { #1 } { S }
2938                 { \@@_fatal:n { unknown~column~type~S } }
2939                 { \@@_fatal:nn { unknown~column~type } { #1 } }
2940         }

```

```

2941     }
2942 }
```

For c, l and r

```

2943 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_m_preamble_i:n #1
2944 {
2945     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_preamble_tl
2946     {
2947         > { \@@_cell_begin:w \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl { #1 } }
2948         #1
2949         < \@@_cell_end:
2950     }
}
```

We test for the presence of a <.

```

2951     \@@_make_m_preamble_x:n
2952 }
```

For >, ! and @

```

2953 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_m_preamble_ii:nn #1 #2
2954 {
2955     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_preamble_tl { #1 { #2 } }
2956     \@@_make_m_preamble:n
2957 }
```

For |

```

2958 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_m_preamble_iii:n #1
2959 {
2960     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_preamble_tl { #1 }
2961     \@@_make_m_preamble:n
2962 }
```

For p, m and b

```

2963 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_m_preamble_iv:nnn #1 #2 #3
2964 {
2965     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_preamble_tl
2966     {
2967         > {
2968             \@@_cell_begin:w
2969             \begin{minipage} [ #1 ] { \dim_eval:n { #3 } }
2970             \mode_leave_vertical:
2971             \arraybackslash
2972             \vrule height \box_ht:N \carstrutbox depth 0 pt width 0 pt
2973         }
2974         c
2975         < {
2976             \vrule height 0 pt depth \box_dp:N \carstrutbox width 0 pt
2977             \end{minipage}
2978             \@@_cell_end:
2979         }
2980     }
2981 }
```

We test for the presence of a <.

```

2981     \@@_make_m_preamble_x:n
2982 }
```

For w and W

```

2983 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_m_preamble_v:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
2984 {
2985     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_preamble_tl
2986     {
2987         > {
2988             \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_col_width_dim { #4 }
2989             \hbox_set:Nw \l_@@_cell_box
2990             \@@_cell_begin:w
2991         }
2992     }
2993 }
```

```

2991         \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl { #3 }
2992     }
2993     c
2994     < {
2995         \@@_cell_end:
2996         \hbox_set_end:
2997         \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_bool \@@_rotate_cell_box:
2998         #1
2999         \@@_adjust_size_box:
3000         \makebox [ #4 ] [ #3 ] { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box }
3001     }
3002 }
```

We test for the presence of a <.

```

3003     \@@_make_m_preamble_x:n
3004 }
```

After a specifier of column, we have to test whether there is one or several <{ .. }.

```

3005 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_m_preamble_x:n #1
3006 {
3007     \str_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } { < }
3008     \@@_make_m_preamble_ix:n
3009     { \@@_make_m_preamble:n { #1 } }
3010 }

3011 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_make_m_preamble_ix:n #1
3012 {
3013     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_preamble_tl { < { #1 } }
3014     \@@_make_m_preamble_x:n
3015 }
```

The command \@@_put_box_in_flow: puts the box \l_tmpa_box (which contains the array) in the flow. It is used for the environments with delimiters. First, we have to modify the height and the depth to take back into account the potential exterior rows (the total height of the first row has been computed in \l_tmpa_dim and the total height of the potential last row in \l_tmpb_dim).

```

3016 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_put_box_in_flow:
3017 {
3018     \box_set_ht:Nn \l_tmpa_box { \box_ht:N \l_tmpa_box + \l_tmpa_dim }
3019     \box_set_dp:Nn \l_tmpa_box { \box_dp:N \l_tmpa_box + \l_tmpb_dim }
3020     \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_baseline_tl \c_@@_c_tl
3021     { \box_use_drop:N \l_tmpa_box }
3022     \@@_put_box_in_flow_i:
3023 }
```

The command \@@_put_box_in_flow_i: is used when the value of \l_@@_baseline_tl is different of c (which is the initial value and the most used).

```

3024 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_put_box_in_flow_i:
3025 {
3026     \pgfpicture
3027     \@@_qpoint:n { row - 1 }
3028     \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
3029     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
3030     \dim_gadd:Dn \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
3031     \dim_gset:Nn \g_tmpa_dim { 0.5 \g_tmpa_dim }
```

Now, \g_tmpa_dim contains the y-value of the center of the array (the delimiters are centered in relation with this value).

```

3032 \tl_if_in:NnTF \l_@@_baseline_tl { line- }
3033 {
3034     \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int
3035     {
3036         \str_range:Nnn
3037             \l_@@_baseline_tl
```

```

3038      6
3039      { \tl_count:o \l_@@_baseline_tl }
3040    }
3041    \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int }
3042  }
3043  {
3044    \tl_if_eq:NnTF \l_@@_baseline_tl { t }
3045    { \int_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_int \c_one_int }
3046    {
3047      \tl_if_eq:NnTF \l_@@_baseline_tl { b }
3048      { \int_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_int \c@iRow }
3049      { \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int \l_@@_baseline_tl }
3050    }
3051    \bool_lazy_or:nnT
3052    { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_tmpa_int < \l_@@_first_row_int }
3053    { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_tmpa_int > \g_@@_row_total_int }
3054    {
3055      \@@_error:n { bad-value-for-baseline }
3056      \int_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_int \c_one_int
3057    }
3058    \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int - base }

```

We take into account the position of the mathematical axis.

```

3059      \dim_gsub:Nn \g_tmpa_dim { \fontdimen22 \textfont2 }
3060    }
3061    \dim_gsub:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@y

```

Now, `\g_tmpa_dim` contains the value of the y translation we have to do.

```

3062  \endpgfpicture
3063  \box_move_up:nn \g_tmpa_dim { \box_use_drop:N \l_tmpa_box }
3064  \box_use_drop:N \l_tmpa_box
3065 }

```

The following command is *always* used by `{NiceArrayWithDelims}` (even if, in fact, there is no tabular notes: in fact, it's not possible to know whether there is tabular notes or not before the composition of the blocks).

```

3066 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes_c:
3067  {

```

With an environment `{Matrix}`, you want to remove the exterior `\arraycolsep` but we don't know the number of columns (since there is no preamble) and that's why we can't put `@{}` at the end of the preamble. That's why we remove a `\arraycolsep` now.

```

3068  \bool_if:NT \l_@@_NiceMatrix_without_vlines_bool
3069  {
3070    \int_compare:nNnT \c@jCol > \c_one_int
3071    {
3072      \box_set_wd:Nn \l_@@_the_array_box
3073      { \box_wd:N \l_@@_the_array_box - \arraycolsep }
3074    }
3075  }

```

We need a `{minipage}` because we will insert a LaTeX list for the tabular notes (that means that a `\vtop{\hspace=...}` is not enough).

```

3076  \begin{minipage} [ t ] { \box_wd:N \l_@@_the_array_box }
3077  \bool_if:NT \l_@@_caption_above_bool
3078  {
3079    \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_caption_tl
3080    {
3081      \bool_set_false:N \g_@@_caption_finished_bool
3082      \int_gzero:N \c@tabularnote
3083      \@@_insert_caption:

```

If there is one or several commands `\tabularnote` in the caption, we will write in the `.aux` file the number of such tabular notes... but only the tabular notes for which the command `\tabularnote` has been used without its optional argument (between square brackets).

```

3084     \int_compare:nNnT \g_@@_notes_caption_int > \c_zero_int
3085     {
3086         \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_aux_tl
3087         {
3088             \tl_set:Nn \exp_not:N \l_@@_note_in_caption_tl
3089             { \int_use:N \g_@@_notes_caption_int }
3090         }
3091         \int_gzero:N \g_@@_notes_caption_int
3092     }
3093 }
3094 }
```

The `\hbox` avoids that the `pgfpicture` inside `\@@_draw_blocks` adds a extra vertical space before the notes.

```

3095     \hbox
3096     {
3097         \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_the_array_box
```

We have to draw the blocks right now because there may be tabular notes in some blocks (which are not mono-column: the blocks which are mono-column have been composed in boxes yet)... and we have to create (potentially) the extra nodes before creating the blocks since there are `medium` nodes to create for the blocks.

```

3098     \@@_create_extra_nodes:
3099     \seq_if_empty:NF \g_@@_blocks_seq \@@_draw_blocks:
3100 }
```

We don't do the following test with `\c@tabularnote` because the value of that counter is not reliable when the command `\ttabbox` of `floatrow` is used (because `\ttabbox` de-activate `\stepcounter` because if compiles several twice its tabular).

```

3101     \bool_lazy_any:nT
3102     {
3103         { ! \seq_if_empty_p:N \g_@@_notes_seq }
3104         { ! \seq_if_empty_p:N \g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq }
3105         { ! \tl_if_empty_p:o \g_@@_tabularnote_tl }
3106     }
3107     \@@_insert_tabularnotes:
3108     \cs_set_eq:NN \tabularnote \@@_tabularnote_error:n
3109     \bool_if:NF \l_@@_caption_above_bool \@@_insert_caption:
3110     \end{minipage}
3111 }

3112 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_insert_caption:
3113 {
3114     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_caption_tl
3115     {
3116         \cs_if_exist:NTF \c@ptyp
3117         { \@@_insert_caption_i: }
3118         { \@@_error:n { caption~outside~float } }
3119     }
3120 }
```



```

3121 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_insert_caption_i:
3122 {
3123     \group_begin:
```

The flag `\l_@@_in_caption_bool` affects only the behaviour of the command `\tabularnote` when used in the caption.

```

3124     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_in_caption_bool
```

The package `floatrow` does a redefinition of `\@makecaption` which will extract the caption from the tabular. However, the old version of `\@makecaption` has been stored by `floatrow` in `\FR@makecaption`. That's why we restore the old version.

```
3125  \IfPackageLoadedTF { floatrow }
3126    { \cs_set_eq:NN \@makecaption \FR@makecaption }
3127    { }
3128  \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_short_caption_tl
3129    { \caption }
3130    { \caption [ \l_@@_short_caption_tl ] }
3131    { \l_@@_caption_tl }
```

In some circumstances (in particular when the package `caption` is loaded), the caption is composed several times. That's why, when the same tabular note is encountered (in the caption!), we consider that you are in the second compilation and you can give to `\g_@@_notes_caption_int` its final value, which is the number of tabular notes in the caption. But sometimes, the caption is composed only once. In that case, we fix the value of `\g_@@_caption_finished_bool` now.

```
3132  \bool_if:N \g_@@_caption_finished_bool
3133  {
3134    \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_caption_finished_bool
3135    \int_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_notes_caption_int \c@tabularnote
3136    \int_gzero:N \c@tabularnote
3137  }
3138  \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_label_tl { \label { \l_@@_label_tl } }
3139  \group_end:
3140 }
3141 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_tabularnote_error:n #1
3142 {
3143   \@@_error_or_warning:n { tabularnote-below-the-tabular }
3144   \@@_gredirect_none:n { tabularnote-below-the-tabular }
3145 }
3146 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_insert_tabularnotes:
3147 {
3148   \seq_gconcat:NNN \g_@@_notes_seq \g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq \g_@@_notes_seq
3149   \int_set:Nn \c@tabularnote { \seq_count:N \g_@@_notes_seq }
3150   \skip_vertical:N 0.65ex
```

The TeX group is for potential specifications in the `\l_@@_notes_code_before_tl`.

```
3151  \group_begin:
3152  \l_@@_notes_code_before_tl
3153  \tl_if_empty:NF \g_@@_tabularnote_tl
3154  {
3155    \g_@@_tabularnote_tl \par
3156    \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_tabularnote_tl
3157 }
```

We compose the tabular notes with a list of `enumitem`. The `\strut` and the `\unskip` are designed to give the ability to put a `\bottomrule` at the end of the notes with a good vertical space.

```
3158  \int_compare:nNnT \c@tabularnote > \c_zero_int
3159  {
3160    \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_notes_para_bool
3161    {
3162      \begin { tabularnotes* }
3163        \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_notes_seq
3164        { \@@_one_tabularnote:nn ##1 }
3165        \strut
3166      \end { tabularnotes* }
```

The following `\par` is mandatory for the event that the user has put `\footnotesize` (for example) in the `notes/code-before`.

```
3167  \par
3168  }
3169  {
3170    \tabularnotes
```

```

3171     \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_notes_seq
3172         { \@@_one_tabularnote:nn ##1 }
3173         \strut
3174     \endtabularnotes
3175 }
3176 }
3177 \unskip
3178 \group_end:
3179 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_notes_bottomrule_bool
3180 {
3181     \IfPackageLoadedTF { booktabs }
3182     {

```

The two dimensions `\aboverulesep` et `\heavyrulewidth` are parameters defined by `booktabs`.

```

3183     \skip_vertical:N \aboverulesep
3184     { \CT@arc@ \hrule height \heavyrulewidth }
3185     }
3186     { \@@_error_or_warning:n { bottomrule~without~booktabs } }
3187 }
3188 \l_@@_notes_code_after_t1
3189 \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_notes_seq
3190 \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_notes_in_caption_seq
3191 \int_gzero:N \c@tabularnote
3192 }
```

The following command will format (after the main tabular) one tabularnote (with the command `\item`). #1 is the label (when the command `\tabularnote` has been used with an optional argument between square brackets) and #2 is the text of the note. The second argument is provided by curryfication.

```

3193 \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_one_tabularnote:nn #1
3194 {
3195     \tl_if_no_value:nTF { #1 }
3196     { \item }
3197     { \item [ \@@_notes_label_in_list:n { #1 } ] }
3198 }
```

The case of `baseline` equal to `b`. Remember that, when the key `b` is used, the `{array}` (of `array`) is constructed with the option `t` (and not `b`). Now, we do the translation to take into account the option `b`.

```

3199 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes_b:
3200 {
3201     \pgfpicture
3202         \@@_qpoint:n { row - 1 }
3203         \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
3204         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \c@iRow - base }
3205         \dim_gsub:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
3206     \endpgfpicture
3207     \dim_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \arrayrulewidth
3208     \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_first_row_int
3209     {
3210         \dim_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \g_@@_ht_row_zero_dim
3211         \dim_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \g_@@_dp_row_zero_dim
3212     }
3213     \box_move_up:nn \g_tmpa_dim { \hbox { \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes_c: } }
3214 }
```

Now, the general case.

```

3215 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes:
3216 {
```

We convert a value of `t` to a value of `1`.

```

3217     \tl_if_eq:NnT \l_@@_baseline_tl { t }
3218     { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_baseline_tl { 1 } }
```

Now, we convert the value of `\l_@@_baseline_tl` (which should represent an integer) to an integer stored in `\l_tmpa_int`.

```

3219  \pgfpicture
3220  \@@_qpoint:n { row - 1 }
3221  \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
3222  \str_if_in:NnTF \l_@@_baseline_tl { line- }
3223  {
3224      \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int
3225      {
3226          \str_range:Nnn
3227          \l_@@_baseline_tl
3228          6
3229          { \tl_count:o \l_@@_baseline_tl }
3230      }
3231  \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int }
3232 }
3233 {
3234     \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int \l_@@_baseline_tl
3235     \bool_lazy_or:nnT
3236     { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_tmpa_int < \l_@@_first_row_int }
3237     { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_tmpa_int > \g_@@_row_total_int }
3238     {
3239         \@@_error:n { bad-value-for-baseline }
3240         \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int 1
3241     }
3242     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int - base }
3243 }
3244 \dim_gsub:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
3245 \endpgfpicture
3246 \dim_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \arrayrulewidth
3247 \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_first_row_int
3248 {
3249     \dim_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \g_@@_ht_row_zero_dim
3250     \dim_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_dim \g_@@_dp_row_zero_dim
3251 }
3252 \box_move_up:nn \g_tmpa_dim { \hbox { \@@_use_arraybox_with_notes_c: } }
3253 }
```

The command `\@@_put_box_in_flow_bis:` is used when the option `delimiters/max-width` is used because, in this case, we have to adjust the widths of the delimiters. The arguments `#1` and `#2` are the delimiters specified by the user.

```

3254 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_put_box_in_flow_bis:nn #1 #2
3255 {
```

We will compute the real width of both delimiters used.

```

3256 \dim_zero_new:N \l_@@_real_left_delim_dim
3257 \dim_zero_new:N \l_@@_real_right_delim_dim
3258 \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpb_box
3259 {
3260     \c_math_toggle_token
3261     \left #1
3262     \vcenter
3263     {
3264         \vbox_to_ht:nn
3265         { \box_ht_plus_dp:N \l_tmpa_box }
3266         { }
3267     }
3268     \right .
3269     \c_math_toggle_token
3270 }
3271 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_real_left_delim_dim
3272 { \box_wd:N \l_tmpb_box - \nulldelimiterspace }
3273 \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpb_box
```

```

3274 {
3275   \c_math_toggle_token
3276   \left .
3277   \vbox_to_ht:nn
3278   { \box_ht_plus_dp:N \l_tmpa_box }
3279   { }
3280   \right #2
3281   \c_math_toggle_token
3282 }
3283 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_real_right_delim_dim
3284 { \box_wd:N \l_tmpb_box - \nulldelimiterspace }

```

Now, we can put the box in the TeX flow with the horizontal adjustments on both sides.

```

3285 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_left_delim_dim
3286 \skip_horizontal:N -\l_@@_real_left_delim_dim
3287 \@@_put_box_in_flow:
3288 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_right_delim_dim
3289 \skip_horizontal:N -\l_@@_real_right_delim_dim
3290 }

```

The construction of the array in the environment `{NiceArrayWithDelims}` is, in fact, done by the environment `{@@-light-syntax}` or by the environment `{@@-normal-syntax}` (whether the option `light-syntax` is in force or not). When the key `light-syntax` is not used, the construction is a standard environment (and, thus, it's possible to use verbatim in the array).

```
3291 \NewDocumentEnvironment { @@-normal-syntax } { }
```

First, we test whether the environment is empty. If it is empty, we raise a fatal error (it's only a security). In order to detect whether it is empty, we test whether the next token is `\end` and, if it's the case, we test if this is the end of the environment (if it is not, an standard error will be raised by LaTeX for incorrect nested environments).

```

3292 {
3293   \peek_remove_spaces:n
3294   {
3295     \peek_meaning:NTF \end
3296     \@@_analyze_end:Nn
3297     {
3298       \@@_transform_preamble:

```

Here is the call to `\array` (we have a dedicated macro `\@@_array`: because of compatibility with the classes `revtex4-1` and `revtex4-2`).

```

3299           \exp_args:No \@@_array: \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
3300         }
3301       }
3302     }
3303     {
3304       \@@_create_col_nodes:
3305       \endarray
3306     }

```

When the key `light-syntax` is in force, we use an environment which takes its whole body as an argument (with the specifier `b`).

```
3307 \NewDocumentEnvironment { @@-light-syntax } { b }
3308 {
```

First, we test whether the environment is empty. It's only a security. Of course, this test is more easy than the similar test for the “normal syntax” because we have the whole body of the environment in `#1`.

```

3309 \tl_if_empty:nT { #1 } { \@@_fatal:n { empty~environment } }
3310 \tl_map_inline:nn { #1 }
3311   {
3312     \str_if_eq:nnT { ##1 } { & }
3313     { \@@_fatal:n { ampersand~in~light-syntax } }

```

```

3314     \str_if_eq:nnT { ##1 } { \\ }
3315         { \@@_fatal:n { double-backslash-in-light-syntax } }
3316     }

```

Now, you extract the `\CodeAfter` of the body of the environment. Maybe, there is no command `\CodeAfter` in the body. That's why you put a marker `\CodeAfter` after `#1`. If there is yet a `\CodeAfter` in `#1`, this second (or third...) `\CodeAfter` will be caught in the value of `\g_nicematrix_code_after_tl`. That doesn't matter because `\CodeAfter` will be set to *no-op* before the execution of `\g_nicematrix_code_after_tl`.

```

3317     \@@_light_syntax_i:w #1 \CodeAfter \q_stop

```

The command `\array` is hidden somewhere in `\@@_light_syntax_i:w`.

```

3318 }

```

Now, the second part of the environment. We must leave these lines in the second part (and not put them in the first part even though we caught the whole body of the environment with an argument of type b) in order to have the columns S of `siunitx` working fine.

```

3319 {
3320     \@@_create_col_nodes:
3321     \endarray
3322 }
3323 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_light_syntax_i:w #1\CodeAfter #2\q_stop
3324 {
3325     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl { #2 }

```

The body of the array, which is stored in the argument `#1`, is now splitted into items (and *not* tokens).

```

3326     \seq_clear_new:N \l_@@_rows_seq

```

We rescan the character of end of line in order to have the correct catcode.

```

3327     \tl_set_rescan:Nno \l_@@_end_of_row_tl { } \l_@@_end_of_row_tl
3328     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_light_syntax_expanded_bool
3329         \seq_set_split:Nee
3330         \seq_set_split:Non
3331         \l_@@_rows_seq \l_@@_end_of_row_tl { #1 }

```

We delete the last row if it is empty.

```

3332     \seq_pop_right:NN \l_@@_rows_seq \l_tmpa_tl
3333     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_tmpa_tl
3334     { \seq_put_right:No \l_@@_rows_seq \l_tmpa_tl }

```

If the environment uses the option `last-row` without value (i.e. without saying the number of the rows), we have now the opportunity to compute that value. We do it, and so, if the token list `\l_@@_code_for_last_row_tl` is not empty, we will use directly where it should be.

```

3335     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_row_int = { -1 }
3336     { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_row_int { \seq_count:N \l_@@_rows_seq } }

```

The new value of the body (that is to say after replacement of the separators of rows and columns by `\backslash` and `&`) of the environment will be stored in `\l_@@_new_body_tl` in order to allow the use of commands such as `\hline` or `\hdottedline` with the key `light-syntax`.

```

3337     \tl_build_begin:N \l_@@_new_body_tl
3338     \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_nb_cols_int

```

First, we treat the first row.

```

3339     \seq_pop_left:NN \l_@@_rows_seq \l_tmpa_tl
3340     \@@_line_with_light_syntax:o \l_tmpa_tl

```

Now, the other rows (with the same treatment, excepted that we have to insert `\backslash` between the rows).

```

3341     \seq_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_rows_seq
3342     {
3343         \tl_build_put_right:Nn \l_@@_new_body_tl { \\ }
3344         \@@_line_with_light_syntax:n { ##1 }
3345     }
3346     \tl_build_end:N \l_@@_new_body_tl

```

```

3347 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_col_int = { -1 }
3348 {
3349     \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_col_int
3350     { \l_@@_nb_cols_int - 1 + \l_@@_first_col_int }
3351 }

```

Now, we can construct the preamble: if the user has used the key `last-col`, we have the correct number of columns even though the user has used `last-col` without value.

```
3352 \@@_transform_preamble:
```

The call to `\array` is in the following command (we have a dedicated macro `\@@_array`: because of compatibility with the classes `revtex4-1` and `revtex4-2`).

```

3353 \exp_args:No \@@_array: \g_@@_array_preamble_tl \l_@@_new_body_tl
3354 }

3355 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_line_with_light_syntax:n #1
3356 {
3357     \seq_clear_new:N \l_@@_cells_seq
3358     \seq_set_split:Nnn \l_@@_cells_seq { ~ } { #1 }
3359     \int_set:Nn \l_@@_nb_cols_int
3360     {
3361         \int_max:nn
3362             \l_@@_nb_cols_int
3363             { \seq_count:N \l_@@_cells_seq }
3364     }
3365     \seq_pop_left:NN \l_@@_cells_seq \l_tmpa_tl
3366     \exp_args:NNo \tl_build_put_right:Nn \l_@@_new_body_tl \l_tmpa_tl
3367     \seq_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_cells_seq
3368     { \tl_build_put_right:Nn \l_@@_new_body_tl { & ##1 } }
3369 }
3370 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_line_with_light_syntax:n { o }


```

The following command is used by the code which detects whether the environment is empty (we raise a fatal error in this case: it's only a security). When this command is used, `#1` is, in fact, always `\end`.

```

3371 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_analyze_end:Nn #1 #2
3372 {
3373     \str_if_eq:onT \g_@@_name_env_str { #2 }
3374     { \@@_fatal:n { empty~environment } }

```

We reput in the stream the `\end{...}` we have extracted and the user will have an error for incorrect nested environments.

```

3375     \end { #2 }
3376 }

```

The command `\@@_create_col_nodes`: will construct a special last row. That last row is a false row used to create the `col` nodes and to fix the width of the columns (when the array is constructed with an option which specifies the width of the columns such as `columns-width`).

```

3377 \cs_new:Npn \@@_create_col_nodes:
3378 {
3379     \crrcr
3380     \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_first_col_int
3381     {
3382         \omit
3383         \hbox_overlap_left:n
3384         {
3385             \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool
3386                 { \pgfsys@markposition { \@@_env: - col - 0 } }
3387             \pgfpicture
3388             \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
3389             \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - col - 0 } \pgfpointorigin
3390             \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str

```

```

3391     { \pgfnodealias { \l_@@_name_str - col - 0 } { \@@_env: - col - 0 } }
3392     \endpgfpicture
3393     \skip_horizontal:N 2\col@sep
3394     \skip_horizontal:N \g_@@_width_first_col_dim
3395   }
3396   &
3397 }
3398 \omit

```

The following instruction must be put after the instruction `\omit`.

```

3399 \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_row_of_col_done_bool

```

First, we put a `col` node on the left of the first column (of course, we have to do that *after* the `\omit`).

```

3400 \int_if_zero:nTF \l_@@_first_col_int
3401 {
3402   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool
3403   {
3404     \hbox
3405     {
3406       \skip_horizontal:N -0.5\arrayrulewidth
3407       \pgfsys@markposition { \@@_env: - col - 1 }
3408       \skip_horizontal:N 0.5\arrayrulewidth
3409     }
3410   }
3411   \pgfpicture
3412   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
3413   \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - col - 1 }
3414   { \pgfpoint { - 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } \c_zero_dim }
3415   \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
3416   { \pgfnodealias { \l_@@_name_str - col - 1 } { \@@_env: - col - 1 } }
3417   \endpgfpicture
3418 }
3419 {
3420   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool
3421   {
3422     \hbox
3423     {
3424       \skip_horizontal:N 0.5\arrayrulewidth
3425       \pgfsys@markposition { \@@_env: - col - 1 }
3426       \skip_horizontal:N -0.5\arrayrulewidth
3427     }
3428   }
3429   \pgfpicture
3430   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
3431   \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - col - 1 }
3432   { \pgfpoint { 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } \c_zero_dim }
3433   \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
3434   { \pgfnodealias { \l_@@_name_str - col - 1 } { \@@_env: - col - 1 } }
3435   \endpgfpicture
3436 }

```

We compute in `\g_tmpa_skip` the common width of the columns (it's a skip and not a dimension). We use a global variable because we are in a cell of an `\halign` and because we have to use that variable in other cells (of the same row). The affectation of `\g_tmpa_skip`, like all the affectations, must be done after the `\omit` of the cell.

We give a default value for `\g_tmpa_skip` (`0 pt plus 1 fill`) but we will add some dimensions to it.

```

3437 \skip_gset:Nn \g_tmpa_skip { 0 pt plus 1 fill }
3438 \bool_if:NF \l_@@_auto_columns_width_bool
3439 { \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_columns_width_dim > \c_zero_dim }
3440 {
3441   \bool_lazy_and:nnTF
3442     \l_@@_auto_columns_width_bool

```

```

3443   { \bool_not_p:n \l_@@_block_auto_columns_width_bool }
3444   { \skip_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_skip \g_@@_max_cell_width_dim }
3445   { \skip_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_skip \l_@@_columns_width_dim }
3446   \skip_gadd:Nn \g_tmpa_skip { 2 \col@sep }
3447 }
3448 \skip_horizontal:N \g_tmpa_skip
3449 \hbox
3450 {
3451   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool
3452   {
3453     \hbox
3454     {
3455       \skip_horizontal:N -0.5\arrayrulewidth
3456       \pgfsys@markposition { \@@_env: - col - 2 }
3457       \skip_horizontal:N 0.5\arrayrulewidth
3458     }
3459   }
3460 \pgfpicture
3461 \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
3462 \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - col - 2 }
3463   { \pgfpoint { - 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } \c_zero_dim }
3464 \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
3465   { \pgfnodealias { \l_@@_name_str - col - 2 } { \@@_env: - col - 2 } }
3466 \endpgfpicture
3467 }

```

We begin a loop over the columns. The integer `\g_tmpa_int` will be the number of the current column. This integer is used for the Tikz nodes.

```

3468 \int_gset_eq:NN \g_tmpa_int \c_one_int
3469 \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_last_col_found_bool
3470   { \prg_replicate:nn { \int_max:nn { \g_@@_col_total_int - 3 } \c_zero_int } }
3471   { \prg_replicate:nn { \int_max:nn { \g_@@_col_total_int - 2 } \c_zero_int } }
3472 {
3473   &
3474   \omit
3475   \int_gincr:N \g_tmpa_int

```

The incrementation of the counter `\g_tmpa_int` must be done after the `\omit` of the cell.

```

3476 \skip_horizontal:N \g_tmpa_skip
3477 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool
3478 {
3479   \hbox
3480   {
3481     \skip_horizontal:N -0.5\arrayrulewidth
3482     \pgfsys@markposition
3483     { \@@_env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_tmpa_int + 1 } }
3484     \skip_horizontal:N 0.5\arrayrulewidth
3485   }
3486 }

```

We create the `col` node on the right of the current column.

```

3487 \pgfpicture
3488 \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
3489 \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_tmpa_int + 1 } }
3490   { \pgfpoint { - 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } \c_zero_dim }
3491 \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
3492 {
3493   \pgfnodealias
3494   { \l_@@_name_str - col - \int_eval:n { \g_tmpa_int + 1 } }
3495   { \@@_env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_tmpa_int + 1 } }
3496 }
3497 \endpgfpicture
3498 }

```

```

3499     &
3500     \omit
```

The two following lines have been added on 2021-12-15 to solve a bug mentionned by Joao Luis Soares by mail.

```

3501 \int_if_zero:nT \g_@@_col_total_int
3502   { \skip_gset:Nn \g_tmpa_skip { 0 pt~plus 1 fill } }
3503 \skip_horizontal:N \g_tmpa_skip
3504 \int_gincr:N \g_tmpa_int
3505 \bool_lazy_any:nF
3506   {
3507     \g_@@_delims_bool
3508     \l_@@_tabular_bool
3509     { ! \clist_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_vlines_clist }
3510     \l_@@_exterior_arraycolsep_bool
3511     \l_@@_bar_at_end_of_pream_bool
3512   }
3513   { \skip_horizontal:N -\col@sep }
3514 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool
3515   {
3516     \hbox
3517     {
3518       \skip_horizontal:N -0.5\arrayrulewidth
```

With an environment `{Matrix}`, you want to remove the exterior `\arraycolsep` but we don't know the number of columns (since there is no preamble) and that's why we can't put `@{}` at the end of the preamble. That's why we remove a `\arraycolsep` now.

```

3519   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_NiceMatrix_without_vlines_bool
3520     { \skip_horizontal:N -\arraycolsep }
3521     \pgfsys@markposition
3522     { \@@_env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_tmpa_int + 1 } }
3523     \skip_horizontal:N 0.5\arrayrulewidth
3524     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_NiceMatrix_without_vlines_bool
3525       { \skip_horizontal:N \arraycolsep }
3526     }
3527   }
3528 \pgfpicture
3529   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
3530   \pgfcoordinate { \@@_env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_tmpa_int + 1 } }
3531   {
3532     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_NiceMatrix_without_vlines_bool
3533     {
3534       \pgfpoint
3535         { - 0.5 \arrayrulewidth - \arraycolsep }
3536         \c_zero_dim
3537     }
3538     { \pgfpoint { - 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } \c_zero_dim }
3539   }
3540 \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
3541   {
3542     \pgfnodealias
3543       { \l_@@_name_str - col - \int_eval:n { \g_tmpa_int + 1 } }
3544       { \@@_env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_tmpa_int + 1 } }
3545   }
3546 \endpgfpicture

3547 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_last_col_found_bool
3548   {
3549     \hbox_overlap_right:n
3550     {
3551       \skip_horizontal:N \g_@@_width_last_col_dim
3552       \skip_horizontal:N \col@sep
3553       \bool_if:NT \l_@@_code_before_bool
```

```

3554     {
3555         \pgf@sys@markposition
3556         { \c@env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_@@_col_total_int + 1 } }
3557     }
3558     \pgfpicture
3559     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
3560     \pgfcoordinate
3561         { \c@env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_@@_col_total_int + 1 } }
3562         \pgfpointorigin
3563     \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
3564     {
3565         \pgfnodealias
3566         {
3567             \l_@@_name_str - col
3568             - \int_eval:n { \g_@@_col_total_int + 1 }
3569         }
3570         { \c@env: - col - \int_eval:n { \g_@@_col_total_int + 1 } }
3571     }
3572     \endpgfpicture
3573 }
3574 %
3575 \cr
3576 }
```

Here is the preamble for the “first column” (if the user uses the key `first-col`)

```

3577 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_preamble_first_col_tl
3578 {
3579 >
3580 {
```

At the beginning of the cell, we link `\CodeAfter` to a command which do begins with `\\\` (whereas the standard version of `\CodeAfter` begins does not).

```

3581     \cs_set_eq:NN \CodeAfter \c_@@_CodeAfter_i:
3582     \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_after_col_zero_bool
3583     \c_@@_begin_of_row:
```

The contents of the cell is constructed in the box `\l_@@_cell_box` because we have to compute some dimensions of this box.

```

3584     \hbox_set:Nw \l_@@_cell_box
3585     \c_@@_math_toggle:
3586     \c_@@_tuning_key_small:
```

We insert `\l_@@_code_for_first_col_tl...` but we don’t insert it in the potential “first row” and in the potential “last row”.

```

3587     \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow > \c_zero_int
3588     {
3589         \bool_lazy_or:nnT
3590             { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_last_row_int < \c_zero_int }
3591             { \int_compare_p:nNn \c@iRow < \l_@@_last_row_int }
3592         {
3593             \l_@@_code_for_first_col_tl
3594             \xglobal \colorlet{nicematrix-first-col}{.}
3595         }
3596     }
3597 }
```

Be careful: despite this letter `l` the cells of the “first column” are composed in a `R` manner since they are composed in a `\hbox_overlap_left:n`.

```

3598 l
3599 <
3600 {
3601     \c_@@_math_toggle:
3602     \hbox_set_end:
```

```

3603     \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_bool \@@_rotate_cell_box:
3604     \@@_adjust_size_box:
3605     \@@_update_for_first_and_last_row:

```

We actualise the width of the “first column” because we will use this width after the construction of the array.

```

3606     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_width_first_col_dim
3607         { \dim_max:nn \g_@@_width_first_col_dim { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } }

```

The content of the cell is inserted in an overlapping position.

```

3608     \hbox_overlap_left:n
3609     {
3610         \dim_compare:nNnTF { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } > \c_zero_dim
3611             \@@_node_for_cell:
3612                 { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box }
3613                 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_left_delim_dim
3614                 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_left_margin_dim
3615                 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_extra_left_margin_dim
3616             }
3617             \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
3618             \skip_horizontal:N -2\col@sep
3619         }
3620     }

```

Here is the preamble for the “last column” (if the user uses the key `last-col`).

```

3621 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_preamble_last_col_tl
3622 {
3623     >
3624     {
3625         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_in_last_col_bool

```

At the beginning of the cell, we link `\CodeAfter` to a command which begins with `\`` (whereas the standard version of `\CodeAfter` begins does not).

```

3626         \cs_set_eq:NN \CodeAfter \@@_CodeAfter_i:

```

With the flag `\g_@@_last_col_found_bool`, we will know that the “last column” is really used.

```

3627         \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_last_col_found_bool
3628         \int_gincr:N \c@jCol
3629         \int_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_col_total_int \c@jCol

```

The contents of the cell is constructed in the box `\l_tmpa_box` because we have to compute some dimensions of this box.

```

3630     \hbox_set:Nw \l_@@_cell_box
3631         \@@_math_toggle:
3632         \@@_tuning_key_small:

```

We insert `\l_@@_code_for_last_col_tl`... but we don’t insert it in the potential “first row” and in the potential “last row”.

```

3633     \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow > \c_zero_int
3634     {
3635         \bool_lazy_or:nnT
3636             { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_last_row_int < \c_zero_int }
3637             { \int_compare_p:nNn \c@iRow < \l_@@_last_row_int }
3638             {
3639                 \l_@@_code_for_last_col_tl
3640                 \xglobal \colorlet{nicematrix-last-col}{.}
3641             }
3642         }
3643     }
3644     1
3645     <
3646     {
3647         \@@_math_toggle:
3648         \hbox_set_end:
3649         \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_bool \@@_rotate_cell_box:
3650         \@@_adjust_size_box:
3651         \@@_update_for_first_and_last_row:

```

We actualise the width of the “last column” because we will use this width after the construction of the array.

```
3652     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_width_last_col_dim
3653         { \dim_max:nn \g_@@_width_last_col_dim { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } }
3654     \skip_horizontal:N -2\col@sep
```

The content of the cell is inserted in an overlapping position.

```
3655     \hbox_overlap_right:n
3656     {
3657         \dim_compare:nNnT { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } > \c_zero_dim
3658             {
3659                 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_right_delim_dim
3660                 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_right_margin_dim
3661                 \skip_horizontal:N \l_@@_extra_right_margin_dim
3662                 \@@_node_for_cell:
3663             }
3664         }
3665         \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
3666     }
3667 }
```

The environment `{NiceArray}` is constructed upon the environment `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`.

```
3668 \NewDocumentEnvironment { NiceArray } { }
3669 {
3670     \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_delims_bool
3671     \str_if_empty:NT \g_@@_name_env_str
3672         { \str_gset:Nn \g_@@_name_env_str { NiceArray } }
```

We put `.` and `.` for the delimiters but, in fact, that doesn’t matter because these arguments won’t be used in `{NiceArrayWithDelims}` (because the flag `\g_@@_delims_bool` is set to false).

```
3673     \NiceArrayWithDelims . .
3674 }
3675 { \endNiceArrayWithDelims }
```

We create the variants of the environment `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`.

```
3676 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_def_env:nnn #1 #2 #3
3677 {
3678     \NewDocumentEnvironment { #1 NiceArray } { }
3679     {
3680         \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_delims_bool
3681         \str_if_empty:NT \g_@@_name_env_str
3682             { \str_gset:Nn \g_@@_name_env_str { #1 NiceArray } }
3683         \@@_test_if_math_mode:
3684             \NiceArrayWithDelims #2 #3
3685     }
3686     { \endNiceArrayWithDelims }
3687 }
3688 \@@_def_env:nnn p ( )
3689 \@@_def_env:nnn b [ ]
3690 \@@_def_env:nnn B \{ \}
3691 \@@_def_env:nnn v | |
3692 \@@_def_env:nnn V \| \|
```

14 The environment {NiceMatrix} and its variants

```

3693 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_begin_of_NiceMatrix:nn #1 #2
3694 {
3695     \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_preamble_bool
3696     \tl_clear:N \l_tmpa_tl
3697     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_NiceMatrix_without_vlines_bool
3698         { \tl_set:Nn \l_tmpa_tl { @{} } }
3699     \tl_put_right:Nn \l_tmpa_tl
3700         {
3701             *
3702             {
3703                 \int_case:nnF \l_@@_last_col_int
3704                     {
3705                         { -2 } { \c@MaxMatrixCols }
3706                         { -1 } { \int_eval:n { \c@MaxMatrixCols + 1 } }
3707                     }
3708                     { \int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_col_int - 1 } }
3709                 }
3710             { #2 }
3711         }
3712     \tl_set:Nn \l_tmpb_tl { \use:c { #1 NiceArray } }
3713     \exp_args:No \l_tmpb_tl \l_tmpa_tl
3714 }
3715 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_begin_of_NiceMatrix:nn { n V }
3716 \clist_map_inline:nn { p , b , B , v , V }
3717 {
3718     \NewDocumentEnvironment { #1 NiceMatrix } { ! 0 { } }
3719     {
3720         \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_delims_bool
3721         \str_gset:Nn \g_@@_name_env_str { #1 NiceMatrix }
3722         \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_last_col_int
3723             {
3724                 \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_last_col_without_value_bool
3725                 \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_col_int { -1 }
3726             }
3727         \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / NiceMatrix } { ##1 }
3728         \@@_begin_of_NiceMatrix:nV { #1 } \l_@@_columns_type_tl
3729     }
3730     { \use:c { end #1 NiceArray } }
3731 }

```

We define also an environment {NiceMatrix}

```

3732 \NewDocumentEnvironment { NiceMatrix } { ! 0 { } }
3733 {
3734     \str_gset:Nn \g_@@_name_env_str { NiceMatrix }
3735     \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_last_col_int
3736         {
3737             \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_last_col_without_value_bool
3738             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_col_int { -1 }
3739         }
3740     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / NiceMatrix } { #1 }
3741     \bool_lazy_or:nnT
3742         { \clist_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_vlines_clist }
3743         { \l_@@_except_borders_bool }
3744         { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_NiceMatrix_without_vlines_bool }
3745     \@@_begin_of_NiceMatrix:nV { } \l_@@_columns_type_tl
3746 }
3747 { \endNiceArray }

```

The following command will be linked to `\NotEmpty` in the environments of `nicematrix`.

```
3748 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_NotEmpty:
3749   { \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_not_empty_cell_bool }
```

15 `{NiceTabular}`, `{NiceTabularX}` and `{NiceTabular*}`

```
3750 \NewDocumentEnvironment { NiceTabular } { O{ } m ! O{ } }
3751 {
```

If the dimension `\l_@@_width_dim` is equal to 0 pt, that means that it has not be set by a previous use of `\NiceMatrixOptions`.

```
3752 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_width_dim = \c_zero_dim
3753   { \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_width_dim \linewidth }
3754 \str_gset:Nn \g_@@_name_env_str { NiceTabular }
3755 \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / NiceTabular } { #1 , #3 }
3756 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_short_caption_tl
3757 {
3758   \tl_if_empty:NT \l_@@_caption_tl
3759   {
3760     \@@_error_or_warning:n { short-caption-without-caption }
3761     \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_caption_tl \l_@@_short_caption_tl
3762   }
3763 }
3764 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_label_tl
3765 {
3766   \tl_if_empty:NT \l_@@_caption_tl
3767   { \@@_error_or_warning:n { label-without-caption } }
3768 }
3769 \NewDocumentEnvironment { TabularNote } { b }
3770 {
3771   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
3772   { \@@_error_or_warning:n { TabularNote-in-CodeAfter } }
3773   {
3774     \tl_if_empty:NF \g_@@_tabularnote_tl
3775     { \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_tabularnote_tl { \par } }
3776     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_tabularnote_tl { ##1 }
3777   }
3778 }
3779 {
3780 \@@_settings_for_tabular:
3781 \NiceArray { #2 }
3782 }
3783 {
3784 \endNiceArray
3785 \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool
3786   { \UseTaggingSocket { tbl / hmode / end } }
3787 }
3788 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_settings_for_tabular:
3789 {
3790   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_tabular_bool
3791   \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_math_toggle: \prg_do_nothing:
3792   \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_tuning_not_tabular_begin: \prg_do_nothing:
3793   \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_tuning_not_tabular_end: \prg_do_nothing:
3794 }
```



```
3795 \NewDocumentEnvironment { NiceTabularX } { m O{ } m ! O{ } }
3796 {
3797   \str_gset:Nn \g_@@_name_env_str { NiceTabularX }
3798   \dim_zero_new:N \l_@@_width_dim
3799   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_width_dim { #1 }
3800   \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / NiceTabular } { #2 , #4 }
3801 \@@_settings_for_tabular:
```

```

3802     \NiceArray { #3 }
3803 }
3804 {
3805     \endNiceArray
3806     \int_if_zero:nT \g_@@_total_X_weight_int
3807         { \@@_error:n { NiceTabularX~without~X } }
3808 }

3809 \NewDocumentEnvironment { NiceTabular* } { m 0 { } m ! 0 { } }
3810 {
3811     \str_gset:Nn \g_@@_name_env_str { NiceTabular* }
3812     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tabular_width_dim { #1 }
3813     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / NiceTabular } { #2 , #4 }
3814     \@@_settings_for_tabular:
3815     \NiceArray { #3 }
3816 }
3817 { \endNiceArray }

```

16 After the construction of the array

The following command will be used when the key `rounded-corners` is in force (this is the key `rounded-corners` for the whole environment and *not* the key `rounded-corners` of a command `\Block`).

```

3818 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_deal_with_rounded_corners:
3819 {
3820     \bool_lazy_all:nT
3821     {
3822         { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_tab_rounded_corners_dim > \c_zero_dim }
3823         \l_@@_hvlines_bool
3824         { ! \g_@@_delims_bool }
3825         { ! \l_@@_except_borders_bool }
3826     }
3827     {
3828         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_except_borders_bool
3829         \clist_if_empty:NF \l_@@_corners_clist
3830             { \@@_error:n { hvlines,~rounded-corners-and~corners } }
3831         \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
3832             {
3833                 \@@_stroke_block:nnn
3834                 {
3835                     rounded-corners = \dim_use:N \l_@@_tab_rounded_corners_dim ,
3836                     draw = \l_@@_rules_color_tl
3837                 }
3838                 { 1-1 }
3839                 { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
3840             }
3841     }
3842 }

3843 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_after_array:
3844 {

```

There was a `\hook_gput_code:nnn { env / tabular / begin } { nicematrix }` in the command `\@@_pre_array_ii`: in order to come back to the standard definition of `\multicolumn` (in the tabulars used by the final user in the cells of our array of `nicematrix`) and maybe another linked to `colortbl`.

```

3845     \hook_gremove_code:nn { env / tabular / begin } { nicematrix }
3846     \group_begin:

```

When the option `last-col` is used in the environments with explicit preambles (like `{NiceArray}`, `{pNiceArray}`, etc.) a special type of column is used at the end of the preamble in order to compose the cells in an overlapping position (with `\hbox_overlap_right:n`) but (if `last-col` has been used), we don't have the number of that last column. However, we have to know that number for the color of the potential `\Vdots` drawn in that last column. That's why we fix the correct value of `\l_@@_last_col_int` in that case.

```
3847 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_last_col_found_bool
3848 { \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_last_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int }
```

If we are in an environment without preamble (like `{NiceMatrix}` or `{pNiceMatrix}`) and if the option `last-col` has been used without value we also fix the real value of `\l_@@_last_col_int`.

```
3849 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_last_col_without_value_bool
3850 { \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_last_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int }
```

It's also time to give to `\l_@@_last_row_int` its real value.

```
3851 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_last_row_without_value_bool
3852 { \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_last_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int }

3853 \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_aux_tl
3854 {
3855     \seq_gset_from_clist:Nn \exp_not:N \g_@@_size_seq
3856     {
3857         \int_use:N \l_@@_first_row_int ,
3858         \int_use:N \c@iRow ,
3859         \int_use:N \g_@@_row_total_int ,
3860         \int_use:N \l_@@_first_col_int ,
3861         \int_use:N \c@jCol ,
3862         \int_use:N \g_@@_col_total_int
3863     }
3864 }
```

We write also the potential content of `\g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq`. It will be used to recreate the blocks with a name in the `\CodeBefore` and also if the command `\rowcolors` is used with the key `respect-blocks`).

```
3865 \seq_if_empty:NF \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
3866 {
3867     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_aux_tl
3868     {
3869         \seq_gset_from_clist:Nn \exp_not:N \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
3870         { \seq_use:Nnnn \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq , , , }
3871     }
3872 }
3873 \seq_if_empty:NF \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq
3874 {
3875     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_aux_tl
3876     {
3877         \seq_gset_from_clist:Nn \exp_not:N \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq
3878         { \seq_use:Nnnn \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq , , , }
3879         \seq_gset_from_clist:Nn \exp_not:N \g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq
3880         { \seq_use:Nnnn \g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq , , , }
3881     }
3882 }
```

Now, you create the diagonal nodes by using the `row` nodes and the `col` nodes.

```
3883 \@@_create_diag_nodes:
```

We create the aliases using `last` for the nodes of the cells in the last row and the last column.

```
3884 \pgfpicture
3885 \int_step_inline:nn \c@iRow
3886 {
3887     \pgfnodealias
3888     { \@@_env: - ##1 - last }
3889     { \@@_env: - ##1 - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
```

```

3890     }
3891     \int_step_inline:nn \c@jCol
3892     {
3893         \pgfnodealias
3894         { \@@_env: - last - ##1 }
3895         { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \c@iRow - ##1 }
3896     }
3897     \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
3898     {
3899         \int_step_inline:nn \c@iRow
3900         {
3901             \pgfnodealias
3902             { \l_@@_name_str - ##1 - last }
3903             { \@@_env: - ##1 - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
3904         }
3905         \int_step_inline:nn \c@jCol
3906         {
3907             \pgfnodealias
3908             { \l_@@_name_str - last - ##1 }
3909             { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \c@iRow - ##1 }
3910         }
3911     }
3912 \endpgfpicture

```

By default, the diagonal lines will be parallelized¹¹. There are two types of diagonals lines: the \Ddots diagonals and the \Iddots diagonals. We have to count both types in order to know whether a diagonal is the first of its type in the current {NiceArray} environment.

```

3913     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_parallelize_diags_bool
3914     {
3915         \int_gzero_new:N \g_@@_ddots_int
3916         \int_gzero_new:N \g_@@_iddots_int

```

The dimensions \g_@@_delta_x_one_dim and \g_@@_delta_y_one_dim will contain the Δ_x and Δ_y of the first \Ddots diagonal. We have to store these values in order to draw the others \Ddots diagonals parallel to the first one. Similarly \g_@@_delta_x_two_dim and \g_@@_delta_y_two_dim are the Δ_x and Δ_y of the first \Iddots diagonal.

```

3917     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_delta_x_one_dim
3918     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_delta_y_one_dim
3919     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_delta_x_two_dim
3920     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_delta_y_two_dim
3921
3922     \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_initial_i_int
3923     \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_initial_j_int
3924     \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_final_i_int
3925     \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_final_j_int
3926     \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
3927     \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_final_open_bool

```

If the option `small` is used, the values \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim and \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim (used to draw the dotted lines created by \hdottedline and \vdottedline and also for all the other dotted lines when `line-style` is equal to `standard`, which is the initial value) are changed.

```

3928     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_small_bool
3929     {
3930         \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim { 0.7 \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim }
3931         \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim { 0.55 \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim }

```

The dimensions \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim and \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim correspond to the options `xdots/shorten-start` and `xdots/shorten-end` available to the user.

```

3932     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim
3933         { 0.6 \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim }
3934     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim

```

¹¹It's possible to use the option `parallelize-diags` to disable this parallelization.

```

3935     { 0.6 \l_@_xdots_shorten_end_dim }
3936 }

```

Now, we actually draw the dotted lines (specified by `\Cdots`, `\Vdots`, etc.).

```
3937 \@@_draw_dotted_lines:
```

The following computes the “corners” (made up of empty cells) but if there is no corner to compute, it won’t do anything. The corners are computed in `\l_@_corners_cells_seq` which will contain all the cells which are empty (and not in a block) considered in the corners of the array.

```
3938 \@@_compute_corners:
```

The sequence `\g_@_pos_of_blocks_seq` must be “adjusted” (for the case where the user have written something like `\Block{1-*}`).

```

3939 \@@_adjust_pos_of_blocks_seq:
3940 \@@_deal_with_rounded_corners:
3941 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@_hlines_clist \@@_draw_hlines:
3942 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@_vlines_clist \@@_draw_vlines:

```

Now, the pre-code-after and then, the `\CodeAfter`.

```

3943 \IfPackageLoadedTF { tikz }
3944 {
3945   \tikzset
3946   {
3947     every~picture / .style =
3948     {
3949       overlay ,
3950       remember~picture ,
3951       name~prefix = \@@_env: -
3952     }
3953   }
3954   { }
3955 { }
3956 \bool_if:NT \c_@_tagging_array_bool
3957   { \cs_set_eq:NN \ar@ialign \@@_old_ar@ialign: }
\cs_set_eq:NN \SubMatrix \@@_SubMatrix
\cs_set_eq:NN \UnderBrace \@@_UnderBrace
\cs_set_eq:NN \OverBrace \@@_OverBrace
\cs_set_eq:NN \ShowCellNames \@@_ShowCellNames
\cs_set_eq:NN \TikzEveryCell \@@_TikzEveryCell
\cs_set_eq:NN \line \@@_line
\g_@_pre_code_after_tl
\tl_gclear:N \g_@_pre_code_after_tl

```

When `light-syntax` is used, we insert systematically a `\CodeAfter` in the flow. Thus, it’s possible to have two instructions `\CodeAfter` and the second may be in `\g_nicematrix_code_after_tl`. That’s why we set `\Code-after` to be *no-op* now.

```
3966 \cs_set_eq:NN \CodeAfter \prg_do_nothing:
```

We clear the list of the names of the potential `\SubMatrix` that will appear in the `\CodeAfter` (unfortunately, that list has to be global).

```
3967 \seq_gclear:N \g_@_submatrix_names_seq
```

The following code is a security for the case the user has used `babel` with the option `spanish`: in that case, the characters `>` and `<` are activated and Tikz is not able to solve the problem (even with the Tikz library `babel`).

```

3968 % \int_compare:nNnT { \char_value_catcode:n { 60 } } = { 13 }
3969 %   { \@@_rescan_for_spanish:N \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl }

```

And here's the `\CodeAfter`. Since the `\CodeAfter` may begin with an “argument” between square brackets of the options, we extract and treat that potential “argument” with the command `\@@_CodeAfter_keys`:

```

3970     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
3971     \exp_last_unbraced:No \@@_CodeAfter_keys: \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl
3972     \scan_stop:
3973     \tl_gclear:N \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl
3974     \group_end:

```

`\g_@@_pre_code_before_tl` is for instructions in the cells of the array such as `\rowcolor` and `\cellcolor` (when the key `color-inside` is in force). These instructions will be written on the aux file to be added to the `code-before` in the next run.

```

3975     \seq_if_empty:NF \g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq { \@@_clear_rowlistcolors_seq: }
3976     \tl_if_empty:NF \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
3977     {
3978         \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_aux_tl
3979         {
3980             \tl_gset:Nn \exp_not:N \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
3981             { \exp_not:o \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl }
3982         }
3983         \tl_gclear:N \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
3984     }
3985     \tl_if_empty:NF \g_nicematrix_code_before_tl
3986     {
3987         \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_aux_tl
3988         {
3989             \tl_gset:Nn \exp_not:N \g_@@_code_before_tl
3990             { \exp_not:o \g_nicematrix_code_before_tl }
3991         }
3992         \tl_gclear:N \g_nicematrix_code_before_tl
3993     }

3994     \str_gclear:N \g_@@_name_env_str
3995     \@@_restore_iRow_jCol:

```

The command `\CT@arc@` contains the instruction of color for the rules of the array¹². This command is used by `\CT@arc@` but we use it also for compatibility with `colortbl`. But we want also to be able to use color for the rules of the array when `colortbl` is *not* loaded. That's why we do the following instruction which is in the patch of the end of arrays done by `colortbl`.

```

3996     \cs_gset_eq:NN \CT@arc@ \@@_old_CT@arc@
3997 }

```

The following command will extract the potential options (between square brackets) at the beginning of the `\CodeAfter` (that is to say, when `\CodeAfter` is used, the options of that “command” `\CodeAfter`). Idem for the `\CodeBefore`.

```

3998 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_CodeAfter_keys: { O { } } {
3999   \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / CodeAfter } { #1 } }

```

We remind that the first mandatory argument of the command `\Block` is the size of the block with the special format $i-j$. However, the user is allowed to omit i or j (or both). This will be interpreted as: the last row (resp. column) of the block will be the last row (resp. column) of the block (without the potential exterior row—resp. column—of the array). By convention, this is stored in `\g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq` (and `\g_@@_blocks_seq`) as a number of rows (resp. columns) for the block equal to 100. It's possible, after the construction of the array, to replace these values by the correct ones (since we know the number of rows and columns of the array).

```

4000 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_adjust_pos_of_blocks_seq:
4001   {

```

¹²e.g. `\color[rgb]{0.5,0.5,0}`

```

4002     \seq_gset_map_x:Nnn \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
4003     { \@@_adjust_pos_of_blocks_seq_i:nmmn ##1 }
4004 }

```

The following command must *not* be protected.

```

4005 \cs_new:Npn \@@_adjust_pos_of_blocks_seq_i:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
4006 {
4007     { #1 }
4008     { #2 }
4009     {
4010         \int_compare:nNnTF { #3 } > { 99 }
4011         { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
4012         { #3 }
4013     }
4014     {
4015         \int_compare:nNnTF { #4 } > { 99 }
4016         { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
4017         { #4 }
4018     }
4019     { #5 }
4020 }

```

We recall that, when externalization is used, `\tikzpicture` and `\endtikzpicture` (or `\pgfpicture` and `\endpgfpicture`) must be directly “visible”. That’s why we have to define the adequate version of `\@@_draw_dotted_lines`: whether Tikz is loaded or not (in that case, only PGF is loaded).

```

4021 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
4022 {
4023     \cs_new_protected:Npx \@@_draw_dotted_lines:
4024     {
4025         \c_@@_pgfortikzpicture_tl
4026         \@@_draw_dotted_lines_i:
4027         \c_@@_endpgfortikzpicture_tl
4028     }
4029 }

```

The following command *must* be protected because it will appear in the construction of the command `\@@_draw_dotted_lines`:

```

4030 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_dotted_lines_i:
4031 {
4032     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
4033     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
4034     \g_@@_HVdotsfor_lines_tl
4035     \g_@@_Vdots_lines_tl
4036     \g_@@_Ddots_lines_tl
4037     \g_@@_Iddots_lines_tl
4038     \g_@@_Cdots_lines_tl
4039     \g_@@_Ldots_lines_tl
4040 }

4041 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_restore_iRow_jCol:
4042 {
4043     \cs_if_exist:NT \theiRow { \int_gset_eq:NN \c@iRow \l_@@_old_iRow_int }
4044     \cs_if_exist:NT \thejCol { \int_gset_eq:NN \c@jCol \l_@@_old_jCol_int }
4045 }

```

We define a new PGF shape for the diag nodes because we want to provide an anchor called `.5` for those nodes.

```

4046 \pgfdeclareshape { @@_diag_node }
4047 {
4048     \savedanchor { \five }
4049     {
4050         \dim_gset_eq:NN \pgf@x \l_tmpa_dim

```

```

4051 \dim_gset_eq:NN \pgf@y \l_tmpb_dim
4052 }
4053 \anchor{5}{\five}
4054 \anchor{center}{\pgfpointorigin}
4055 \anchor{1}{\five \pgf@x=0.2 \pgf@x \pgf@y=0.2 \pgf@y}
4056 \anchor{2}{\five \pgf@x=0.4 \pgf@x \pgf@y=0.4 \pgf@y}
4057 \anchor{3}{\five \pgf@x=0.6 \pgf@x \pgf@y=0.6 \pgf@y}
4058 \anchor{4}{\five \pgf@x=0.8 \pgf@x \pgf@y=0.8 \pgf@y}
4059 \anchor{6}{\five \pgf@x=1.2 \pgf@x \pgf@y=1.2 \pgf@y}
4060 \anchor{7}{\five \pgf@x=1.4 \pgf@x \pgf@y=1.4 \pgf@y}
4061 \anchor{8}{\five \pgf@x=1.6 \pgf@x \pgf@y=1.6 \pgf@y}
4062 \anchor{9}{\five \pgf@x=1.8 \pgf@x \pgf@y=1.8 \pgf@y}
4063 }

```

The following command creates the diagonal nodes (in fact, if the matrix is not a square matrix, not all the nodes are on the diagonal).

```

4064 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_diag_nodes:
4065 {
4066   \pgfpicture
4067   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
4068   \int_step_inline:nn { \int_max:nn \c@iRow \c@jCol }
4069   {
4070     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_min:nn { ##1 } { \c@jCol + 1 } }
4071     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@x
4072     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_min:nn { ##1 } { \c@iRow + 1 } }
4073     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_dim \pgf@y
4074     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_min:nn { ##1 + 1 } { \c@jCol + 1 } }
4075     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@x
4076     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_min:nn { ##1 + 1 } { \c@iRow + 1 } }
4077     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_dim \pgf@y
4078     \pgftransformshift { \pgfpoint \l_tmpa_dim \l_tmpb_dim }

```

Now, `\l_tmpa_dim` and `\l_tmpb_dim` become the width and the height of the node (of shape `@@_diag_node`) that we will construct.

```

4079   \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim { ( \l_@@_tmpc_dim - \l_tmpa_dim ) / 2 }
4080   \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim { ( \l_@@_tmpd_dim - \l_tmpb_dim ) / 2 }
4081   \pgfnode { @@_diag_node } { center } { } { \@@_env: - ##1 } { }
4082   \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
4083     { \pgfnodealias { \l_@@_name_str - ##1 } { \@@_env: - ##1 } }
4084 }

```

Now, the last node. Of course, that is only a coordinate because there is not .5 anchor for that node.

```

4085   \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int { \int_max:nn \c@iRow \c@jCol + 1 }
4086   \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_min:nn { \l_tmpa_int } { \c@iRow + 1 } }
4087   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
4088   \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_min:nn { \l_tmpa_int } { \c@jCol + 1 } }
4089   \pgfcoordinate
4090     { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int } { \pgfpoint \pgf@x \l_tmpa_dim }
4091   \pgfnodealias
4092     { \@@_env: - last }
4093     { \@@_env: - \int_eval:n { \int_max:nn \c@iRow \c@jCol + 1 } }
4094   \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
4095   {
4096     \pgfnodealias
4097       { \l_@@_name_str - \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int }
4098       { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int }
4099     \pgfnodealias
4100       { \l_@@_name_str - last }
4101       { \@@_env: - last }
4102   }
4103 \endpgfpicture
4104 }

```

17 We draw the dotted lines

A dotted line will be said *open* in one of its extremities when it stops on the edge of the matrix and *closed* otherwise. In the following matrix, the dotted line is closed on its left extremity and open on its right.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a+b+c & a+b & a \\ a & \dots & \dots \\ a & a+b & a+b+c \end{pmatrix}$$

The command `\@_find_extremities_of_line:nnnn` takes four arguments:

- the first argument is the row of the cell where the command was issued;
- the second argument is the column of the cell where the command was issued;
- the third argument is the x -value of the orientation vector of the line;
- the fourth argument is the y -value of the orientation vector of the line.

This command computes:

- `\l_initial_i_int` and `\l_initial_j_int` which are the coordinates of one extremity of the line;
- `\l_final_i_int` and `\l_final_j_int` which are the coordinates of the other extremity of the line;
- `\l_initial_open_bool` and `\l_final_open_bool` to indicate whether the extremities are open or not.

```
4105 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@_find_extremities_of_line:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
4106 {
```

First, we declare the current cell as “dotted” because we forbide intersections of dotted lines.

```
4107 \cs_set:cpn { @_dotted_ #1 - #2 } { }
```

Initialization of variables.

```
4108 \int_set:Nn \l_initial_i_int { #1 }
4109 \int_set:Nn \l_initial_j_int { #2 }
4110 \int_set:Nn \l_final_i_int { #1 }
4111 \int_set:Nn \l_final_j_int { #2 }
```

We will do two loops: one when determinating the initial cell and the other when determinating the final cell. The boolean `\l_stop_loop_bool` will be used to control these loops. In the first loop, we search the “final” extremity of the line.

```
4112 \bool_set_false:N \l_stop_loop_bool
4113 \bool_do_until:Nn \l_stop_loop_bool
4114 {
4115     \int_add:Nn \l_final_i_int { #3 }
4116     \int_add:Nn \l_final_j_int { #4 }
```

We test if we are still in the matrix.

```
4117 \bool_set_false:N \l_final_open_bool
4118 \int_compare:nNnTF \l_final_i_int > \l_row_max_int
4119 {
4120     \int_compare:nNnTF { #3 } = \c_one_int
4121     { \bool_set_true:N \l_final_open_bool }
4122 {
4123     \int_compare:nNnT \l_final_j_int > \l_col_max_int
4124     { \bool_set_true:N \l_final_open_bool }
4125 }
4126 }
4127 {
4128     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_final_j_int < \l_col_min_int
```

```

4129    {
4130        \int_compare:nNnT { #4 } = { -1 }
4131            { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_final_open_bool }
4132    }
4133    {
4134        \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_final_j_int > \l_@@_col_max_int
4135            {
4136                \int_compare:nNnT { #4 } = \c_one_int
4137                    { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_final_open_bool }
4138            }
4139        }
4140    }
4141    \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_final_open_bool

```

If we are outside the matrix, we have found the extremity of the dotted line and it's an *open* extremity.

```
4142    {
```

We do a step backwards.

```

4143        \int_sub:Nn \l_@@_final_i_int { #3 }
4144        \int_sub:Nn \l_@@_final_j_int { #4 }
4145        \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_stop_loop_bool
4146    }

```

If we are in the matrix, we test whether the cell is empty. If it's not the case, we stop the loop because we have found the correct values for $\backslash l_{@@_final_i_int}$ and $\backslash l_{@@_final_j_int}$.

```

4147    {
4148        \cs_if_exist:cTF
4149            {
4150                @@ _ dotted _
4151                \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int -
4152                \int_use:N \l_@@_final_j_int
4153            }
4154        {
4155            \int_sub:Nn \l_@@_final_i_int { #3 }
4156            \int_sub:Nn \l_@@_final_j_int { #4 }
4157            \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_final_open_bool
4158            \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_stop_loop_bool
4159        }
4160    {
4161        \cs_if_exist:cTF
4162            {
4163                pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env:
4164                    - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int
4165                    - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_j_int
4166            }
4167            { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_stop_loop_bool }

```

If the case is empty, we declare that the cell as non-empty. Indeed, we will draw a dotted line and the cell will be on that dotted line. All the cells of a dotted line have to be marked as "dotted" because we don't want intersections between dotted lines. We recall that the research of the extremities of the lines are all done in the same TeX group (the group of the environment), even though, when the extremities are found, each line is drawn in a TeX group that we will open for the options of the line.

```

4168    {
4169        \cs_set:cpn
4170            {
4171                @@ _ dotted _
4172                \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int -
4173                \int_use:N \l_@@_final_j_int
4174            }
4175            { }
4176        }
4177    }
4178}
4179

```

For \l_@@_initial_i_int and \l_@@_initial_j_int the programmation is similar to the previous one.

```

4180   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_stop_loop_bool
4181   \bool_do_until:Nn \l_@@_stop_loop_bool
4182   {
4183     \int_sub:Nn \l_@@_initial_i_int { #3 }
4184     \int_sub:Nn \l_@@_initial_j_int { #4 }
4185     \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4186     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_initial_i_int < \l_@@_row_min_int
4187     {
4188       \int_compare:nNnTF { #3 } = \c_one_int
4189         { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool }
4190         {
4191           \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_initial_j_int = { \l_@@_col_min_int - 1 }
4192             { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool }
4193         }
4194     }
4195   {
4196     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_initial_j_int < \l_@@_col_min_int
4197     {
4198       \int_compare:nNnT { #4 } = \c_one_int
4199         { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool }
4200     }
4201   {
4202     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_initial_j_int > \l_@@_col_max_int
4203     {
4204       \int_compare:nNnT { #4 } = { -1 }
4205         { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool }
4206     }
4207   }
4208 \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4209   {
4210     \int_add:Nn \l_@@_initial_i_int { #3 }
4211     \int_add:Nn \l_@@_initial_j_int { #4 }
4212     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_stop_loop_bool
4213   }
4214   {
4215     \cs_if_exist:cTF
4216     {
4217       @@ _ dotted _
4218       \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int -
4219       \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int
4220     }
4221   {
4222     \int_add:Nn \l_@@_initial_i_int { #3 }
4223     \int_add:Nn \l_@@_initial_j_int { #4 }
4224     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4225     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_stop_loop_bool
4226   }
4227   {
4228     \cs_if_exist:cTF
4229     {
4230       pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env:
4231         - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int
4232         - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int
4233     }
4234     { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_stop_loop_bool }
4235   {
4236     \cs_set:cpn
4237     {
4238       @@ _ dotted _
4239       \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int -
4240

```

```

4241           \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int
4242       }
4243   {
4244     }
4245   }
4246 }
4247 }
```

We remind the rectangle described by all the dotted lines in order to respect the corresponding virtual “block” when drawing the horizontal and vertical rules.

```

4248   \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pos_of_xdots_seq
4249   {
4250     { \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int }
```

Be careful: with `\Idots`, `\l_@@_final_j_int` is inferior to `\l_@@_initial_j_int`. That's why we use `\int_min:nn` and `\int_max:nn`.

```

4251   { \int_min:nn \l_@@_initial_j_int \l_@@_final_j_int }
4252   { \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int }
4253   { \int_max:nn \l_@@_initial_j_int \l_@@_final_j_int }
4254   { } % for the name of the block
4255 }
4256 }
```

If the final user uses the key `xdots/shorten` in `\NiceMatrixOptions` or at the level of an environment (such as `\pNiceMatrix`, etc.), only the so called “closed extremities” will be shortened by that key. The following command will be used *after* the detection of the extremities of a dotted line (hence at a time when we know whether the extremities are closed or open) but before the analyse of the keys of the individual command `\Cdots`, `\Vdots`. Hence, the keys `shorten`, `shorten-start` and `shorten-end` of that individual command will be applied.

```

4257 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_open_shorten:
4258 {
4259   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4260   { \dim_zero:N \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim }
4261   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_final_open_bool
4262   { \dim_zero:N \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim }
4263 }
```

The following command (*when it will be written*) will set the four counters `\l_@@_row_min_int`, `\l_@@_row_max_int`, `\l_@@_col_min_int` and `\l_@@_col_max_int` to the intersections of the submatrices which contains the cell of row #1 and column #2. As of now, it's only the whole array (excepted exterior rows and columns).

```

4264 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_adjust_to_submatrix:nn #1 #2
4265 {
4266   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_row_min_int 1
4267   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_col_min_int 1
4268   \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_row_max_int \c@iRow
4269   \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_col_max_int \c@jCol
```

We do a loop over all the submatrices specified in the `code-before`. We have stored the position of all those submatrices in `\g_@@_submatrix_seq`.

```

4270   \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_submatrix_seq
4271   { \@@_adjust_to_submatrix:nnnnnn { #1 } { #2 } ##1 }
4272 }
```

#1 and #2 are the numbers of row and columns of the cell where the command of dotted line (ex.: `\Vdots`) has been issued. #3, #4, #5 and #6 are the specification (in *i* and *j*) of the submatrix we are analyzing.

```

4273 \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_adjust_to_submatrix:nnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6
4274 {
4275   \int_compare:nNnF { #3 } > { #1 }
4276   {
4277     \int_compare:nNnF { #1 } > { #5 }
4278   }
```

```

4279     \int_compare:nNnF { #4 } > { #2 }
4280     {
4281         \int_compare:nNnF { #2 } > { #6 }
4282         {
4283             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_row_min_int
4284             { \int_max:nn \l_@@_row_min_int { #3 } }
4285             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_col_min_int
4286             { \int_max:nn \l_@@_col_min_int { #4 } }
4287             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_row_max_int
4288             { \int_min:nn \l_@@_row_max_int { #5 } }
4289             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_col_max_int
4290             { \int_min:nn \l_@@_col_max_int { #6 } }
4291         }
4292     }
4293 }
4294 }
4295 }

4296 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_set_initial_coords:
4297 {
4298     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x
4299     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_initial_dim \pgf@y
4300 }
4301 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_set_final_coords:
4302 {
4303     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x
4304     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \pgf@y
4305 }
4306 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_set_initial_coords_from_anchor:n #1
4307 {
4308     \pgfpointanchor
4309     {
4310         \@@_env:
4311         - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int
4312         - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int
4313     }
4314     { #1 }
4315     \@@_set_initial_coords:
4316 }
4317 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_set_final_coords_from_anchor:n #1
4318 {
4319     \pgfpointanchor
4320     {
4321         \@@_env:
4322         - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int
4323         - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_j_int
4324     }
4325     { #1 }
4326     \@@_set_final_coords:
4327 }

4328 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_open_x_initial_dim:
4329 {
4330     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \c_max_dim
4331     \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int
4332     {
4333         \cs_if_exist:cT
4334         { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int }
4335         {
4336             \pgfpointanchor
4337             { \@@_env: - ##1 - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int }
4338             { west }
4339             \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim
4340             { \dim_min:nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x }

```

```

4341         }
4342     }

```

If, in fact, all the cells of the column are empty (no PGF/Tikz nodes in those cells).

```

4343 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_x_initial_dim = \c_max_dim
4344 {
4345     \Q_Qpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int }
4346     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x
4347     \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \col@sep
4348 }
4349 }

4350 \cs_new_protected:Npn \Q_Qopen_x_final_dim:
4351 {
4352     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim { - \c_max_dim }
4353     \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int
4354     {
4355         \cs_if_exist:cT
4356             { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \Q_Qenv: - ##1 - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_j_int }
4357         {
4358             \pgfpointanchor
4359                 { \Q_Qenv: - ##1 - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_j_int }
4360             { east }
4361             \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim
4362                 { \dim_max:nn \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x }
4363         }
4364     }

```

If, in fact, all the cells of the columns are empty (no PGF/Tikz nodes in those cells).

```

4365 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_x_final_dim = { - \c_max_dim }
4366 {
4367     \Q_Qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_final_j_int + 1 } }
4368     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x
4369     \dim_sub:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim \col@sep
4370 }
4371 }

```

The first and the second arguments are the coordinates of the cell where the command has been issued. The third argument is the list of the options.

```

4372 \cs_new_protected:Npn \Q_Qdraw_Ldots:nnn #1 #2 #3
4373 {
4374     \Q_Qadjust_to_submatrix:nn { #1 } { #2 }
4375     \cs_if_free:cT { @_ dotted _ #1 - #2 }
4376     {
4377         \Q_Qfind_extremities_of_line:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } 0 1

```

The previous command may have changed the current environment by marking some cells as “dotted”, but, fortunately, it is outside the group for the options of the line.

```

4378 \group_begin:
4379     \Q_Qopen_shorten:
4380     \int_if_zero:nTF { #1 }
4381         { \color { nicematrix-first-row } }
4382         {

```

We remind that, when there is a “last row” $\l_@@_last_row_int$ will always be (after the construction of the array) the number of that “last row” even if the option `last-row` has been used without value.

```

4383     \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } = \l_@@_last_row_int
4384         { \color { nicematrix-last-row } }
4385     }
4386     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #3 }
4387     \tl_if_empty:of \l_@@_xdots_color_tl { \color { \l_@@_xdots_color_tl } }
4388     \Q_Qactually_draw_Ldots:
4389     \group_end:
4390 }
4391 }

```

The command `\@@_actually_draw_Ldots:` has the following implicit arguments:

- `\l_@@_initial_i_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_j_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_open_bool`
- `\l_@@_final_i_int`
- `\l_@@_final_j_int`
- `\l_@@_final_open_bool.`

The following function is also used by `\Hdotsfor`.

```

4392 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_actually_draw_Ldots:
4393 {
4394     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4395     {
4396         \@@_open_x_initial_dim:
4397         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int - base }
4398         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_initial_dim \pgf@y
4399     }
4400     { \@@_set_initial_coords_from_anchor:n { base-east } }
4401     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_final_open_bool
4402     {
4403         \@@_open_x_final_dim:
4404         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int - base }
4405         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \pgf@y
4406     }
4407     { \@@_set_final_coords_from_anchor:n { base-west } }

```

Now the case of a `\Hdotsfor` (or when there is only a `\Ldots`) in the “last row” (that case will probably arise when the final user draws an arrow to indicate the number of columns of the matrix). In the “first row”, we don’t need any adjustment.

```

4408 \bool_lazy_all:nTF
4409 {
4410     \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4411     \l_@@_final_open_bool
4412     { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_initial_i_int = \l_@@_last_row_int }
4413 }
4414 {
4415     \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim \c_@@_shift_Ldots_last_row_dim
4416     \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_y_final_dim \c_@@_shift_Ldots_last_row_dim
4417 }

```

We raise the line of a quantity equal to the radius of the dots because we want the dots really “on” the line of texte. Of course, maybe we should not do that when the option `line-style` is used (?).

```

4418 {
4419     \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim
4420     \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_y_final_dim \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim
4421 }
4422 \@@_draw_line:
4423 }

```

The first and the second arguments are the coordinates of the cell where the command has been issued. The third argument is the list of the options.

```

4424 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_Cdots:nnn #1 #2 #3
4425 {
4426     \@@_adjust_to_submatrix:nn { #1 } { #2 }
4427     \cs_if_free:cT { @@ _ dotted _ #1 - #2 }
4428     {
4429         \@@_find_extremities_of_line:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } 0 1

```

The previous command may have changed the current environment by marking some cells as “dotted”, but, fortunately, it is outside the group for the options of the line.

```

4430 \group_begin:
4431   \@@_open_shorten:
4432     \int_if_zero:nTF { #1 }
4433       { \color { nicematrix-first-row } }
4434       {

```

We remind that, when there is a “last row” `\l_@@_last_row_int` will always be (after the construction of the array) the number of that “last row” even if the option `last-row` has been used without value.

```

4435   \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } = \l_@@_last_row_int
4436     { \color { nicematrix-last-row } }
4437   }
4438   \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #3 }
4439   \tl_if_empty:oF \l_@@_xdots_color_tl { \color { \l_@@_xdots_color_tl } }
4440   \@@_actually_draw_Cdots:
4441   \group_end:
4442 }
4443

```

The command `\@@_actually_draw_Cdots:` has the following implicit arguments:

- `\l_@@_initial_i_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_j_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_open_bool`
- `\l_@@_final_i_int`
- `\l_@@_final_j_int`
- `\l_@@_final_open_bool.`

```

4444 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_actually_draw_Cdots:
4445   {
4446     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4447       { \@@_open_x_initial_dim: }
4448       { \@@_set_initial_coords_from_anchor:n { mid-east } }
4449     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_final_open_bool
4450       { \@@_open_x_final_dim: }
4451       { \@@_set_final_coords_from_anchor:n { mid-west } }
4452     \bool_lazy_and:nnTF
4453       \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4454       \l_@@_final_open_bool
4455     {
4456       \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int }
4457       \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
4458       \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_initial_i_int + 1 } }
4459       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim { ( \l_tmpa_dim + \pgf@y ) / 2 }
4460       \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \l_@@_y_initial_dim
4461     }
4462     {
4463       \bool_if:NT \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4464         { \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_initial_dim \l_@@_y_final_dim }
4465       \bool_if:NT \l_@@_final_open_bool
4466         { \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \l_@@_y_initial_dim }
4467     }
4468   \@@_draw_line:
4469 }

4470 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_open_y_initial_dim:
4471   {
4472     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim { - \c_max_dim }
4473     \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int
4474     {

```

```

4475 \cs_if_exist:cT
4476   { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int - ##1 }
4477   {
4478     \pgfpointanchor
4479       { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int - ##1 }
4480       { north }
4481     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim
4482       { \dim_max:nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim \pgf@y }
4483   }
4484 }
4485 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_y_initial_dim = { - \c_max_dim }
4486 {
4487   \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int - base }
4488   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim
4489   {
4490     \fp_to_dim:n
4491     {
4492       \pgf@y
4493         + ( \box_ht:N \strutbox + \extrarowheight ) * \arraystretch
4494     }
4495   }
4496 }
4497 }
4498 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_open_y_final_dim:
4499 {
4500   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \c_max_dim
4501   \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int
4502   {
4503     \cs_if_exist:cT
4504       { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int - ##1 }
4505       {
4506         \pgfpointanchor
4507           { \@@_env: - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int - ##1 }
4508           { south }
4509         \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_final_dim
4510           { \dim_min:nn \l_@@_y_final_dim \pgf@y }
4511     }
4512   }
4513 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_y_final_dim = \c_max_dim
4514 {
4515   \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int - base }
4516   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_final_dim
4517   { \fp_to_dim:n { \pgf@y - ( \box_dp:N \strutbox ) * \arraystretch } }
4518 }
4519 }

```

The first and the second arguments are the coordinates of the cell where the command has been issued. The third argument is the list of the options.

```

4520 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_Vdots:nnn #1 #2 #3
4521 {
4522   \@@_adjust_to_submatrix:nn { #1 } { #2 }
4523   \cs_if_free:cT { @@ _ dotted _ #1 - #2 }
4524   {
4525     \@@_find_extremities_of_line:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } 1 0

```

The previous command may have changed the current environment by marking some cells as “dotted”, but, fortunately, it is outside the group for the options of the line.

```

4526 \group_begin:
4527   \@@_open_shorten:
4528   \int_if_zero:nTF { #2 }
4529     { \color { nicematrix-first-col } }
4530   {
4531     \int_compare:nNnT { #2 } = \l_@@_last_col_int
4532       { \color { nicematrix-last-col } }

```

```

4533     }
4534     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #3 }
4535     \tl_if_empty:oF \l_@@_xdots_color_tl
4536     { \color { \l_@@_xdots_color_tl } }
4537     \@@_actually_draw_Vdots:
4538     \group_end:
4539   }
4540 }
```

The command `\@@_actually_draw_Vdots:` has the following implicit arguments:

- `\l_@@_initial_i_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_j_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_open_bool`
- `\l_@@_final_i_int`
- `\l_@@_final_j_int`
- `\l_@@_final_open_bool.`

The following function is also used by `\Vdotsfor`.

```

4541 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_actually_draw_Vdots:
4542 {
```

First, the case of a dotted line open on both sides.

```
4543 \bool_lazy_and:nnTF \l_@@_initial_open_bool \l_@@_final_open_bool
```

We have to determine the x -value of the vertical rule that we will have to draw.

```

4544 {
4545   \@@_open_y_initial_dim:
4546   \@@_open_y_final_dim:
4547   \int_if_zero:nTF \l_@@_initial_j_int
```

We have a dotted line open on both sides in the “first column”.

```

4548 {
4549   \@@_qpoint:n { col - 1 }
4550   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x
4551   \dim_sub:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_left_margin_dim
4552   \dim_sub:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_extra_left_margin_dim
4553   \dim_sub:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \c_@@_shift_exterior_Vdots_dim
4554 }
4555 {
4556   \bool_lazy_and:nnTF
4557   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_last_col_int > { -2 } }
4558   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_initial_j_int = \g_@@_col_total_int }
```

We have a dotted line open on both sides in the “last column”.

```

4559 {
4560   \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int }
4561   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x
4562   \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_right_margin_dim
4563   \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_extra_right_margin_dim
4564   \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \c_@@_shift_exterior_Vdots_dim
4565 }
```

We have a dotted line open on both sides which is *not* in an exterior column.

```

4566 {
4567   \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int }
4568   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@x
4569   \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_initial_j_int + 1 } }
4570   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim { ( \pgf@x + \l_tmpa_dim ) / 2 }
4571 }
4572 }
4573 }
```

Now, the dotted line is *not* open on both sides (maybe open on only one side).
The boolean `\l_tmpa_bool` will indicate whether the column is of type l or may be considered as if.

```

4574   {
4575     \bool_set_false:N \l_tmpa_bool
4576     \bool_if:NF \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4577     {
4578       \bool_if:NF \l_@@_final_open_bool
4579       {
4580         \@@_set_initial_coords_from_anchor:n { south-west }
4581         \@@_set_final_coords_from_anchor:n { north-west }
4582         \bool_set:Nn \l_tmpa_bool
4583         { \dim_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_x_initial_dim = \l_@@_x_final_dim }
4584       }
4585     }

```

Now, we try to determine whether the column is of type c or may be considered as if.

```

4586   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4587   {
4588     \@@_open_y_initial_dim:
4589     \@@_set_final_coords_from_anchor:n { north }
4590     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_x_final_dim
4591   }
4592   {
4593     \@@_set_initial_coords_from_anchor:n { south }
4594     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_final_open_bool
4595     \@@_open_y_final_dim:

```

Now the case where both extremities are closed. The first conditional tests whether the column is of type c or may be considered as if.

```

4596   {
4597     \@@_set_final_coords_from_anchor:n { north }
4598     \dim_compare:nNnF \l_@@_x_initial_dim = \l_@@_x_final_dim
4599     {
4600       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim
4601       {
4602         \bool_if:NTF \l_tmpa_bool \dim_min:nn \dim_max:nn
4603           \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_x_final_dim
4604       }
4605     }
4606   }
4607   }
4608   }
4609 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \l_@@_x_initial_dim
4610 \@@_draw_line:
4611 }

```

For the diagonal lines, the situation is a bit more complicated because, by default, we parallelize the diagonals lines. The first diagonal line is drawn and then, all the other diagonal lines are drawn parallel to the first one.

The first and the second arguments are the coordinates of the cell where the command has been issued. The third argument is the list of the options.

```

4612 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_Ddots:nnn #1 #2 #3
4613   {
4614     \@@_adjust_to_submatrix:nn { #1 } { #2 }
4615     \cs_if_free:cT { @_ _ dotted _ #1 - #2 }
4616     {
4617       \@@_find_extremities_of_line:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } 1 1

```

The previous command may have changed the current environment by marking some cells as “dotted”, but, fortunately, it is outside the group for the options of the line.

```

4618 \group_begin:
4619   \@@_open_shorten:

```

```

4620     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #3 }
4621     \tl_if_empty:oF \l_@@_xdots_color_tl { \color { \l_@@_xdots_color_tl } }
4622     \@@_actually_draw_Ddots:
4623     \group_end:
4624   }
4625 }
```

The command `\@@_actually_draw_Ddots:` has the following implicit arguments:

- `\l_@@_initial_i_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_j_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_open_bool`
- `\l_@@_final_i_int`
- `\l_@@_final_j_int`
- `\l_@@_final_open_bool.`

```

4626 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_actually_draw_Ddots:
4627 {
4628   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4629   {
4630     \@@_open_y_initial_dim:
4631     \@@_open_x_initial_dim:
4632   }
4633   { \@@_set_initial_coords_from_anchor:n { south-east } }
4634   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_final_open_bool
4635   {
4636     \@@_open_x_final_dim:
4637     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x
4638   }
4639   { \@@_set_final_coords_from_anchor:n { north-west } }
```

We have retrieved the coordinates in the usual way (they are stored in `\l_@@_x_initial_dim`, etc.). If the parallelization of the diagonals is set, we will have (maybe) to adjust the fourth coordinate.

```

4640   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_parallelize_diags_bool
4641   {
4642     \int_gincr:N \g_@@_ddots_int
```

We test if the diagonal line is the first one (the counter `\g_@@_ddots_int` is created for this usage).

```
4643   \int_compare:nNnTF \g_@@_ddots_int = \c_one_int
```

If the diagonal line is the first one, we have no adjustment of the line to do but we store the Δ_x and the Δ_y of the line because these values will be used to draw the others diagonal lines parallels to the first one.

```

4644   {
4645     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_delta_x_one_dim
4646     { \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim }
4647     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_delta_y_one_dim
4648     { \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim }
4649 }
```

If the diagonal line is not the first one, we have to adjust the second extremity of the line by modifying the coordinate `\l_@@_x_initial_dim`.

```

4650   {
4651     \dim_compare:nNnF \g_@@_delta_x_one_dim = \c_zero_dim
4652     {
4653       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_final_dim
4654       {
4655         \l_@@_y_initial_dim +
4656         ( \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim ) *
4657         \dim_ratio:nn \g_@@_delta_y_one_dim \g_@@_delta_x_one_dim
4658     }
```

```

4659         }
4660     }
4661   }
4662 \@@_draw_line:
4663 }
```

We draw the `\Iddots` diagonals in the same way.

The first and the second arguments are the coordinates of the cell where the command has been issued. The third argument is the list of the options.

```

4664 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_Iddots:n #1 #2 #3
4665 {
4666   \@@_adjust_to_submatrix:nn { #1 } { #2 }
4667   \cs_if_free:cT { @_ dotted _ #1 - #2 }
4668   {
4669     \@@_find_extremities_of_line:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } 1 { -1 }
```

The previous command may have changed the current environment by marking some cells as “dotted”, but, fortunately, it is outside the group for the options of the line.

```

4670 \group_begin:
4671   \@@_open_shorten:
4672   \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #3 }
4673   \tl_if_empty:oF \l_@@_xdots_color_tl { \color { \l_@@_xdots_color_tl } }
4674   \@@_actually_draw_Iddots:
4675   \group_end:
4676 }
4677 }
```

The command `\@@_actually_draw_Iddots:` has the following implicit arguments:

- `\l_@@_initial_i_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_j_int`
- `\l_@@_initial_open_bool`
- `\l_@@_final_i_int`
- `\l_@@_final_j_int`
- `\l_@@_final_open_bool.`

```

4678 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_actually_draw_Iddots:
4679 {
4680   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_initial_open_bool
4681   {
4682     \@@_open_y_initial_dim:
4683     \@@_open_x_initial_dim:
4684   }
4685   { \@@_set_initial_coords_from_anchor:n { south-west } }
4686   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_final_open_bool
4687   {
4688     \@@_open_y_final_dim:
4689     \@@_open_x_final_dim:
4690   }
4691   { \@@_set_final_coords_from_anchor:n { north-east } }
4692   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_parallelize_diags_bool
4693   {
4694     \int_gincr:N \g_@@_iddots_int
4695     \int_compare:nNnTF \g_@@_iddots_int = \c_one_int
4696     {
4697       \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_delta_x_two_dim
4698       { \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim }
4699       \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_delta_y_two_dim
4700       { \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim }
```

```

4701     }
4702     {
4703         \dim_compare:nNnF \g_@@_delta_x_two_dim = \c_zero_dim
4704         {
4705             \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_final_dim
4706             {
4707                 \l_@@_y_initial_dim +
4708                 ( \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim ) *
4709                 \dim_ratio:nn \g_@@_delta_y_two_dim \g_@@_delta_x_two_dim
4710             }
4711         }
4712     }
4713 }
4714 \@@_draw_line:
4715 }
```

18 The actual instructions for drawing the dotted lines with Tikz

The command `\@@_draw_line:` should be used in a `{pgfpicture}`. It has six implicit arguments:

- `\l_@@_x_initial_dim`
- `\l_@@_y_initial_dim`
- `\l_@@_x_final_dim`
- `\l_@@_y_final_dim`
- `\l_@@_initial_open_bool`
- `\l_@@_final_open_bool`

```

4716 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_line:
4717 {
4718     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
4719     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
4720     \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
4721     { \tl_if_eq_p:NN \l_@@_xdots_line_style_tl \c_@@_standard_tl }
4722     \l_@@_dotted_bool
4723     \@@_draw_standard_dotted_line:
4724     \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:
4725 }
```

We have to do a special construction with `\exp_args:N` to be able to put in the list of options in the correct place in the Tikz instruction.

```

4726 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:
4727 {
4728     \begin{scope}
4729         \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:o
4730         { \l_@@_xdots_line_style_tl , \l_@@_xdots_color_tl }
4731 }
```

We have used the fact that, in PGF, un color name can be put directly in a list of options (that's why we have put directly `\l_@@_xdots_color_tl`).

The argument of `\@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:n` is, in fact, the list of options.

```

4732 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:n #1
4733 {
4734     \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:nooo
```

```

4735 { #1 }
4736 \l_@@_xdots_up_tl
4737 \l_@@_xdots_down_tl
4738 \l_@@_xdots_middle_tl
4739 }
4740 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:n { o }

```

The following Tikz styles are for the three labels (set by the symbols `_`, `^` and `=`) of a continuous line with a non-standard style.

```

4741 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
4742 {
4743 \IfPackageLoadedTF { tikz }
4744 {
4745 \tikzset
4746 {
4747 @node above / .style = { sloped , above } ,
4748 @node below / .style = { sloped , below } ,
4749 @node middle / .style =
4750 {
4751     sloped ,
4752     inner~sep = \c_@@_innersep_middle_dim
4753 }
4754 }
4755 }
4756 { }
4757 }

4758 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
4759 {

```

We take into account the parameters `xdots/shorten-start` and `xdots/shorten-end` “by hand” because, when we use the key `shorten >` and `shorten <` of TikZ in the command `\draw`, we don’t have the expected output with `{decorate,decoration=brace}` is used.

The dimension `\l_@@_l_dim` is the length ℓ of the line to draw. We use the floating point reals of the L3 programming layer to compute this length.

```

4760 \dim_zero_new:N \l_@@_l_dim
4761 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_l_dim
4762 {
4763 \fp_to_dim:n
4764 {
4765 sqrt
4766 (
4767 ( \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim ) ^ 2
4768 +
4769 ( \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim ) ^ 2
4770 )
4771 }
4772 }

```

It seems that, during the first compilations, the value of `\l_@@_l_dim` may be erroneous (equal to zero or very large). We must detect these cases because they would cause errors during the drawing of the dotted line. Maybe we should also write something in the aux file to say that one more compilation should be done.

```

4773 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_l_dim < \c_@@_max_l_dim
4774 {
4775 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_l_dim > { 1 pt }
4776 \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line_i:
4777 }

```

If the key `xdots/horizontal-labels` has been used.

```

4778 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_xdots_h_labels_bool
4779 {

```

```

4780     \tikzset
4781     {
4782         @@_node_above / .style = { auto = left } ,
4783         @@_node_below / .style = { auto = right } ,
4784         @@_node_middle / .style = { inner~sep = \c_@@_innersep_middle_dim }
4785     }
4786 }
4787 \tl_if_empty:nF { #4 }
4788 { \tikzset { @@_node_middle / .append~style = { fill = white } } }
4789 \draw
4790 [ #1 ]
4791 ( \l_@@_x_initial_dim , \l_@@_y_initial_dim )

```

Be careful: We can't put `\c_math_toggle_token` instead of \$ in the following lines because we are in the contents of Tikz nodes (and they will be *rescanned* if the Tikz library `babel` is loaded).

```

4792     -- node [ @@_node_middle] { $ \scriptstyle #4 $ }
4793     node [ @@_node_below ] { $ \scriptstyle #3 $ }
4794     node [ @@_node_above ] { $ \scriptstyle #2 $ }
4795     ( \l_@@_x_final_dim , \l_@@_y_final_dim ) ;
4796 \end { scope }
4797 }

4798 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line_i:
4799 {
4800     \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim
4801     {
4802         \l_@@_x_initial_dim
4803         + ( \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim )
4804         * \dim_ratio:nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim \l_@@_l_dim
4805     }
4806     \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim
4807     {
4808         \l_@@_y_initial_dim
4809         + ( \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim )
4810         * \dim_ratio:nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim \l_@@_l_dim
4811     }
4812     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpc_dim
4813     {
4814         \l_@@_x_final_dim
4815         - ( \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim )
4816         * \dim_ratio:nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim \l_@@_l_dim
4817     }
4818     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpd_dim
4819     {
4820         \l_@@_y_final_dim
4821         - ( \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim )
4822         * \dim_ratio:nn \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim \l_@@_l_dim
4823     }
4824     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_tmpa_dim
4825     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_initial_dim \l_tmpb_dim
4826     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \l_@@_tmpc_dim
4827     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \l_@@_tmpd_dim
4828 }

4829 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_draw_unstandard_dotted_line:nnnn { n o o o }

```

The command `\@@_draw_standard_dotted_line:` draws the line with our system of dots (which gives a dotted line with real rounded dots).

```

4830 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_standard_dotted_line:
4831 {
4832     \group_begin:

```

The dimension `\l_@@_l_dim` is the length ℓ of the line to draw. We use the floating point reals of the L3 programming layer to compute this length.

```

4833 \dim_zero_new:N \l_@@_l_dim
4834 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_l_dim
4835 {
4836     \fp_to_dim:n
4837     {
4838         sqrt
4839         (
4840             ( \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim ) ^ 2
4841             +
4842             ( \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim ) ^ 2
4843         )
4844     }
4845 }

```

It seems that, during the first compilations, the value of $\l_@@_l_dim$ may be erroneous (equal to zero or very large). We must detect these cases because they would cause errors during the drawing of the dotted line. Maybe we should also write something in the aux file to say that one more compilation should be done.

```

4846 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_l_dim < \c_@@_max_l_dim
4847 {
4848     \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_l_dim > { 1 pt }
4849     \@@_draw_standard_dotted_line_i:
4850 }
4851 \group_end:
4852 \bool_lazy_all:nF
4853 {
4854     { \tl_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_xdots_up_tl }
4855     { \tl_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_xdots_down_tl }
4856     { \tl_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_xdots_middle_tl }
4857 }
4858 \l_@@_labels_standard_dotted_line:
4859 }
4860 \dim_const:Nn \c_@@_max_l_dim { 50 cm }
4861 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_standard_dotted_line_i:
4862 {

```

The number of dots will be $\l_tmpa_int + 1$.

```

4863 \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int
4864 {
4865     \dim_ratio:nn
4866     {
4867         \l_@@_l_dim
4868         - \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim
4869         - \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim
4870     }
4871     \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim
4872 }

```

The dimensions \l_tmpa_dim and \l_tmpb_dim are the coordinates of the vector between two dots in the dotted line.

```

4873 \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim
4874 {
4875     ( \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim ) *
4876     \dim_ratio:nn \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim \l_@@_l_dim
4877 }
4878 \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim
4879 {
4880     ( \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim ) *
4881     \dim_ratio:nn \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim \l_@@_l_dim
4882 }

```

In the loop over the dots, the dimensions `\l_@@_x_initial_dim` and `\l_@@_y_initial_dim` will be used for the coordinates of the dots. But, before the loop, we must move until the first dot.

```

4883 \dim_gadd:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim
4884 {
4885     ( \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim ) *
4886     \dim_ratio:nn
4887     {
4888         \l_@@_l_dim - \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim * \l_tmpa_int
4889         + \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim - \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim
4890     }
4891     { 2 \l_@@_l_dim }
4892 }
4893 \dim_gadd:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim
4894 {
4895     ( \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim ) *
4896     \dim_ratio:nn
4897     {
4898         \l_@@_l_dim - \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim * \l_tmpa_int
4899         + \l_@@_xdots_shorten_start_dim - \l_@@_xdots_shorten_end_dim
4900     }
4901     { 2 \l_@@_l_dim }
4902 }
4903 \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
4904 \int_step_inline:nnn \c_zero_int \l_tmpa_int
4905 {
4906     \pgfpathcircle
4907     { \pgfpoint \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_y_initial_dim }
4908     { \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim }
4909     \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_tmpa_dim
4910     \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim \l_tmpb_dim
4911 }
4912 \pgfusepathqfill
4913 }

4914 \cs_new_protected:Npn \l_@@_labels_standard_dotted_line:
4915 {
4916     \pgfscope
4917     \pgftransformshift
4918     {
4919         \pgfpointlineattime { 0.5 }
4920         { \pgfpoint \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_y_initial_dim }
4921         { \pgfpoint \l_@@_x_final_dim \l_@@_y_final_dim }
4922     }
4923     \fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp
4924     {
4925         atand
4926         (
4927             \l_@@_y_final_dim - \l_@@_y_initial_dim ,
4928             \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim
4929         )
4930     }
4931     \pgftransformrotate { \fp_use:N \l_tmpa_fp }
4932     \bool_if:NF \l_@@_xdots_h_labels_bool { \fp_zero:N \l_tmpa_fp }
4933     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_xdots_middle_tl
4934     {
4935         \begin { pgfscope }
4936         \pgfset { inner~sep = \c_@@_innersep_middle_dim }
4937         \pgfnode
4938             { rectangle }
4939             { center }
4940             {
4941                 \rotatebox { \fp_eval:n { - \l_tmpa_fp } }
```

```

4942 {
4943     \c_math_toggle_token
4944     \scriptstyle \l_@@_xdots_middle_tl
4945     \c_math_toggle_token
4946 }
4947 }
4948 {
4949 {
4950     \pgfsetfillcolor { white }
4951     \pgfusepath { fill }
4952 }
4953 \end { pgfscope }
4954 }
4955 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_xdots_up_tl
4956 {
4957     \pgfnode
4958     { rectangle }
4959     { south }
4960     {
4961         \rotatebox { \fp_eval:n { - \l_tmpa_fp } }
4962         {
4963             \c_math_toggle_token
4964             \scriptstyle \l_@@_xdots_up_tl
4965             \c_math_toggle_token
4966         }
4967     }
4968     {
4969         \pgfusepath { } }
4970     }
4971 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_xdots_down_tl
4972 {
4973     \pgfnode
4974     { rectangle }
4975     { north }
4976     {
4977         \rotatebox { \fp_eval:n { - \l_tmpa_fp } }
4978         {
4979             \c_math_toggle_token
4980             \scriptstyle \l_@@_xdots_down_tl
4981             \c_math_toggle_token
4982         }
4983     }
4984     {
4985         \pgfusepath { } }
4986     }
4987 \endpgfscope
4988 }

```

19 User commands available in the new environments

The commands `\@@_Ldots`, `\@@_Cdots`, `\@@_Vdots`, `\@@_Ddots` and `\@@_Iddots` will be linked to `\Ldots`, `\Cdots`, `\Vdots`, `\Ddots` and `\Iddots` in the environments `{NiceArray}` (the other environments of `nicematrix` rely upon `{NiceArray}`).

The syntax of these commands uses the character `_` as embellishment and that's why we have to insert a character `_` in the *arg spec* of these commands. However, we don't know the future catcode of `_` in the main document (maybe the user will use `underscore`, and, in that case, the catcode is 13 because `underscore` activates `_`). That's why these commands will be defined in a `\hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }` and the *arg spec* will be rescanned.

```

4989 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
4990 {
4991     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_argspec_tl { m E { _ ^ : } { { } { } { } } }
4992     \tl_set_rescan:Nno \l_@@_argspec_tl { } \l_@@_argspec_tl
4993     \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Ldots
4994         { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Ldots_i } }
4995     \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_Ldots_i \l_@@_argspec_tl
4996     {
4997         \int_if_zero:nTF \c@jCol
4998             { \@@_error:nn { in-first-col } \Ldots }
4999             {
5000                 \int_compare:nNnTF \c@jCol = \l_@@_last_col_int
5001                     { \@@_error:nn { in-last-col } \Ldots }
5002                     {
5003                         \@@_instruction_of_type:nnn \c_false_bool { Ldots }
5004                             { #1 , down = #2 , up = #3 , middle = #4 }
5005                     }
5006                 }
5007             \bool_if:NF \l_@@_nullify_dots_bool
5008                 { \phantom { \ensuremath { \@@_old_ldots } } }
5009             \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
5010     }

5011 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Cdots
5012     { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Cdots_i } }
5013 \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_Cdots_i \l_@@_argspec_tl
5014     {
5015         \int_if_zero:nTF \c@jCol
5016             { \@@_error:nn { in-first-col } \Cdots }
5017             {
5018                 \int_compare:nNnTF \c@jCol = \l_@@_last_col_int
5019                     { \@@_error:nn { in-last-col } \Cdots }
5020                     {
5021                         \@@_instruction_of_type:nnn \c_false_bool { Cdots }
5022                             { #1 , down = #2 , up = #3 , middle = #4 }
5023                     }
5024                 }
5025             \bool_if:NF \l_@@_nullify_dots_bool
5026                 { \phantom { \ensuremath { \@@_old_cdots } } }
5027             \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
5028     }

5029 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Vdots
5030     { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Vdots_i } }
5031 \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_Vdots_i \l_@@_argspec_tl
5032     {
5033         \int_if_zero:nTF \c@iRow
5034             { \@@_error:nn { in-first-row } \Vdots }
5035             {
5036                 \int_compare:nNnTF \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int
5037                     { \@@_error:nn { in-last-row } \Vdots }
5038                     {
5039                         \@@_instruction_of_type:nnn \c_false_bool { Vdots }
5040                             { #1 , down = #2 , up = #3 , middle = #4 }
5041                     }
5042                 }
5043             \bool_if:NF \l_@@_nullify_dots_bool
5044                 { \phantom { \ensuremath { \@@_old_vdots } } }
5045             \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
5046     }

```

```

5047 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Ddots
5048   { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Ddots_i } }
5049 \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_Ddots_i \l_@@_argspec_tl
5050   {
5051     \int_case:nnF \c@iRow
5052     {
5053       0           { \@@_error:nn { in-first-row } \Ddots }
5054       \l_@@_last_row_int { \@@_error:nn { in-last-row } \Ddots }
5055     }
5056   {
5057     \int_case:nnF \c@jCol
5058     {
5059       0           { \@@_error:nn { in-first-col } \Ddots }
5060       \l_@@_last_col_int { \@@_error:nn { in-last-col } \Ddots }
5061     }
5062   {
5063     \keys_set_known:nn { nicematrix / Ddots } { #1 }
5064     \@@_instruction_of_type:nnn \l_@@_draw_first_bool { Ddots }
5065       { #1 , down = #2 , up = #3 , middle = #4 }
5066   }
5067 }
5068 \bool_if:NF \l_@@_nullify_dots_bool
5069   { \phantom { \ensuremath { \olddots } } }
5070 \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
5071 }

5073 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Iddots
5074   { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Iddots_i } }
5075 \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_Iddots_i \l_@@_argspec_tl
5076   {
5077     \int_case:nnF \c@iRow
5078     {
5079       0           { \@@_error:nn { in-first-row } \Iddots }
5080       \l_@@_last_row_int { \@@_error:nn { in-last-row } \Iddots }
5081     }
5082   {
5083     \int_case:nnF \c@jCol
5084     {
5085       0           { \@@_error:nn { in-first-col } \Iddots }
5086       \l_@@_last_col_int { \@@_error:nn { in-last-col } \Iddots }
5087     }
5088   {
5089     \keys_set_known:nn { nicematrix / Ddots } { #1 }
5090     \@@_instruction_of_type:nnn \l_@@_draw_first_bool { Iddots }
5091       { #1 , down = #2 , up = #3 , middle = #4 }
5092   }
5093 }
5094 \bool_if:NF \l_@@_nullify_dots_bool
5095   { \phantom { \ensuremath { \oldiddots } } }
5096 \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
5097 }
5098 }

```

End of the `\AddToHook`.

Despite its name, the following set of keys will be used for `\Ddots` but also for `\Iddots`.

```

5099 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / Ddots }
5100   {
5101     draw-first .bool_set:N = \l_@@_draw_first_bool ,
5102     draw-first .default:n = true ,
5103     draw-first .value_forbidden:n = true
5104   }

```

The command `\@@_Hspace`: will be linked to `\hspace` in `{NiceArray}`.

```
5105 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Hspace:
5106 {
5107     \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
5108     \hspace
5109 }
```

In the environments of `nicematrix`, the command `\multicolumn` is redefined. We will patch the environment `{tabular}` to go back to the previous value of `\multicolumn`.

```
5110 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_multicolumn \multicolumn
```

The command `\@@_Hdotsfor` will be linked to `\Hdotsfor` in `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`. Tikz nodes are created also in the implicit cells of the `\Hdotsfor` (maybe we should modify that point).

This command must *not* be protected since it begins with `\multicolumn`.

```
5111 \cs_new:Npn \@@_Hdotsfor:
5112 {
5113     \bool_lazy_and:nnTF
5114     { \int_if_zero_p:n \c@jCol }
5115     { \int_if_zero_p:n \l_@@_first_col_int }
5116     {
5117         \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_after_col_zero_bool
5118         {
5119             \multicolumn { 1 } { c } { }
5120             \@@_Hdotsfor_i
5121         }
5122         { \@@_fatal:n { Hdotsfor-in-col-0 } }
5123     }
5124     {
5125         \multicolumn { 1 } { c } { }
5126         \@@_Hdotsfor_i
5127     }
5128 }
```

The command `\@@_Hdotsfor_i` is defined with `\NewDocumentCommand` because it has an optional argument. Note that such a command defined by `\NewDocumentCommand` is protected and that's why we have put the `\multicolumn` before (in the definition of `\@@_Hdotsfor`):

```
5129 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
5130 {
5131     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_argspec_tl { m m 0 { } E { _ ^ : } { { } { } { } } }
5132     \tl_set_rescan:Nno \l_@@_argspec_tl { } \l_@@_argspec_tl
```

We don't put ! before the last optionnal argument for homogeneity with `\Cdots`, etc. which have only one optional argument.

```
5133 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Hdotsfor_i
5134     { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Hdotsfor_ii } }
5135 \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_Hdotsfor_ii \l_@@_argspec_tl
5136 {
5137     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_HVdotsfor_lines_tl
5138     {
5139         \@@_Hdotsfor:nnnn
5140         { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
5141         { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
5142         { #2 }
5143         {
5144             #1 , #3 ,
5145             down = \exp_not:n { #4 } ,
5146             up = \exp_not:n { #5 } ,
5147             middle = \exp_not:n { #6 }
5148         }
5149     }
5150 \prg_replicate:nn { #2 - 1 }
5151 {
```

```

5152     &
5153     \multicolumn { 1 } { c } { }
5154     \cs_set_eq:NN \CodeAfter \@@_CodeAfter_i:
5155   }
5156 }
5157 }

5158 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Hdotsfor:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
5159 {
5160   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
5161   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_final_open_bool

```

For the row, it's easy.

```

5162   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_initial_i_int { #1 }
5163   \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_final_i_int \l_@@_initial_i_int

```

For the column, it's a bit more complicated.

```

5164 \int_compare:nNnTF { #2 } = \c_one_int
5165 {
5166   \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_initial_j_int \c_one_int
5167   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
5168 }
5169 {
5170   \cs_if_exist:cTF
5171   {
5172     pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env:
5173     - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_i_int
5174     - \int_eval:n { #2 - 1 }
5175   }
5176   { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_initial_j_int { #2 - 1 } }
5177   {
5178     \int_set:Nn \l_@@_initial_j_int { #2 }
5179     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
5180   }
5181 }
5182 \int_compare:nNnTF { #2 + #3 - 1 } = \c@jCol
5183 {
5184   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_final_j_int { #2 + #3 - 1 }
5185   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_final_open_bool
5186 }
5187 {
5188   \cs_if_exist:cTF
5189   {
5190     pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env:
5191     - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_i_int
5192     - \int_eval:n { #2 + #3 }
5193   }
5194   { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_final_j_int { #2 + #3 } }
5195   {
5196     \int_set:Nn \l_@@_final_j_int { #2 + #3 - 1 }
5197     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_final_open_bool
5198   }
5199 }

5200 \group_begin:
5201 \@@_open_shorten:
5202 \int_if_zero:nTF { #1 }
5203   { \color { nicematrix-first-row } }
5204   {
5205     \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } = \g_@@_row_total_int
5206       { \color { nicematrix-last-row } }
5207   }
5208
5209 \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #4 }
5210 \tl_if_empty:of \l_@@_xdots_color_tl { \color { \l_@@_xdots_color_t1 } }

```

```

5211     \@@_actually_draw_Ldots:
5212     \group_end:

We declare all the cells concerned by the \Hdotsfor as “dotted” (for the dotted lines created by \Cdots, \Ldots, etc., this job is done by \@@_find_extremities_of_line:nnnn). This declaration is done by defining a special control sequence (to nil).

5213     \int_step_inline:nnn { #2 } { #2 + #3 - 1 }
5214     { \cs_set:cpn { @@ _ dotted _ #1 - ##1 } { } }
5215 }

5216 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
5217 {
5218     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_argspec_tl { m m 0 { } E { _ ^ : } { { } { } { } } }
5219     \tl_set_rescan:Nno \l_@@_argspec_tl { } \l_@@_argspec_tl
5220     \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Vdotsfor:
5221     { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Vdotsfor_i } }
5222     \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_Vdotsfor_i \l_@@_argspec_tl
5223     {
5224         \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_empty_cell_bool
5225         \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_HVdotsfor_lines_tl
5226         {
5227             \@@_Vdotsfor:nnnn
5228             { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
5229             { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
5230             { #2 }
5231             {
5232                 #1 , #3 ,
5233                 down = \exp_not:n { #4 } ,
5234                 up = \exp_not:n { #5 } ,
5235                 middle = \exp_not:n { #6 }
5236             }
5237         }
5238     }
5239 }

5240 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Vdotsfor:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
5241 {
5242     \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
5243     \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_final_open_bool

```

For the column, it's easy.

```

5244     \int_set:Nn \l_@@_initial_j_int { #2 }
5245     \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_final_j_int \l_@@_initial_j_int

```

For the row, it's a bit more complicated.

```

5246     \int_compare:nNnTF { #1 } = \c_one_int
5247     {
5248         \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_initial_i_int \c_one_int
5249         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
5250     }
5251     {
5252         \cs_if_exist:cTF
5253         {
5254             pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env:
5255             - \int_eval:n { #1 - 1 }
5256             - \int_use:N \l_@@_initial_j_int
5257         }
5258         { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_initial_i_int { #1 - 1 } }
5259         {
5260             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_initial_i_int { #1 }
5261             \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
5262         }

```

```

5263     }
5264     \int_compare:nNnTF { #1 + #3 -1 } = \c@iRow
5265     {
5266         \int_set:Nn \l_@@_final_i_int { #1 + #3 - 1 }
5267         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_final_open_bool
5268     }
5269     {
5270         \cs_if_exist:cTF
5271         {
5272             pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env:
5273             - \int_eval:n { #1 + #3 }
5274             - \int_use:N \l_@@_final_j_int
5275         }
5276         { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_final_i_int { #1 + #3 } }
5277         {
5278             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_final_i_int { #1 + #3 - 1 }
5279             \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_final_open_bool
5280         }
5281     }
5282 
5283 \group_begin:
5284 \@@_open_shorten:
5285 \int_if_zero:nTF { #2 }
5286     { \color { nicematrix-first-col } }
5287     {
5288         \int_compare:nNnT { #2 } = \g_@@_col_total_int
5289         { \color { nicematrix-last-col } }
5290     }
5291 \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #4 }
5292 \tl_if_empty:oF \l_@@_xdots_color_tl { \color { \l_@@_xdots_color_tl } }
5293 \@@_actually_draw_Vdots:
5294 \group_end:

```

We declare all the cells concerned by the `\Vdots` as “dotted” (for the dotted lines created by `\Cdots`, `\Ldots`, etc., this job is done by `\@@_find_extremities_of_line:nnnn`). This declaration is done by defining a special control sequence (to nil).

```

5294     \int_step_inline:nnn { #1 } { #1 + #3 - 1 }
5295         { \cs_set:cpn { @@ _ dotted _ ##1 - #2 } { } }
5296     }

```

The command `\@@_rotate:` will be linked to `\rotate` in `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`.

```

5297 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_rotate: { O { } }
5298 {
5299     \peek_remove_spaces:n
5300     {
5301         \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_rotate_bool
5302         \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / rotate } { #1 }
5303     }
5304 }

5305 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / rotate }
5306 {
5307     c .code:n = \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_rotate_c_bool ,
5308     c .value_forbidden:n = true ,
5309     unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown~key~for~rotate }
5310 }

```

20 The command \line accessible in code-after

In the \CodeAfter, the command \@@_line:nn will be linked to \line. This command takes two arguments which are the specifications of two cells in the array (in the format $i-j$) and draws a dotted line between these cells. In fact, it also works with names of blocks.

First, we write a command with the following behaviour:

- If the argument is of the format $i-j$, our command applies the command \int_eval:n to i and j ;
- If not (that is to say, when it's a name of a \Block), the argument is left unchanged.

This must *not* be protected (and is, of course fully expandable).¹³

```
5311 \cs_new:Npn \@@_double_int_eval:n #1-#2 \q_stop
5312 {
5313   \tl_if_empty:nTF { #2 }
5314   { #1 }
5315   { \@@_double_int_eval_i:n #1-#2 \q_stop }
5316 }
5317 \cs_new:Npn \@@_double_int_eval_i:n #1-#2- \q_stop
5318 { \int_eval:n { #1 } - \int_eval:n { #2 } }
```

With the following construction, the command \@@_double_int_eval:n is applied to both arguments before the application of \@@_line_i:nn (the construction uses the fact the \@@_line_i:nn is protected and that \@@_double_int_eval:n is fully expandable).

```
5319 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
5320 {
5321   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_argspec_tl
5322   { 0 { } m m ! 0 { } E { _ ^ : } { { } { } { } } }
5323   \tl_set_rescan:Nno \l_@@_argspec_tl { } \l_@@_argspec_tl
5324   \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_line \l_@@_argspec_tl
5325   {
5326     \group_begin:
5327     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / xdots } { #1 , #4 , down = #5 , up = #6 }
5328     \tl_if_empty:oF \l_@@_xdots_color_tl { \color { \l_@@_xdots_color_tl } }
5329     \use:e
5330     {
5331       \@@_line_i:nn
5332       { \@@_double_int_eval:n #2 - \q_stop }
5333       { \@@_double_int_eval:n #3 - \q_stop }
5334     }
5335     \group_end:
5336   }
5337 }
5338 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_line_i:nn #1 #2
5339 {
5340   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_initial_open_bool
5341   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_final_open_bool
5342   \bool_lazy_or:nTF
5343   { \cs_if_free_p:c { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - #1 } }
5344   { \cs_if_free_p:c { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - #2 } }
5345   { \@@_error:nnn { unknown-cell-for-line-in-CodeAfter } { #1 } { #2 } }
```

The test of measuring@ is a security (cf. question 686649 on TeX StackExchange).

```
5346   { \legacy_if:nF { measuring@ } { \@@_draw_line_ii:nn { #1 } { #2 } } }
5347 }
```

¹³Indeed, we want that the user may use the command \line in \CodeAfter with LaTeX counters in the arguments — with the command \value.

```

5348 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
5349 {
5350   \cs_new_protected:Npx \@@_draw_line_ii:nn #1 #2
5351   {

```

We recall that, when externalization is used, `\tikzpicture` and `\endtikzpicture` (or `\pgfpicture` and `\endpgfpicture`) must be directly “visible” and that why we do this static construction of the command `\@@_draw_line_ii:`.

```

5352   \c_@@_pgfortikzpicture_tl
5353   \@@_draw_line_iii:nn { #1 } { #2 }
5354   \c_@@_endpgfortikzpicture_tl
5355 }
5356 }

```

The following command *must* be protected (it’s used in the construction of `\@@_draw_line_ii:nn`).

```

5357 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_line_iii:nn #1 #2
5358 {
5359   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
5360   \pgfpointshapeborder { \@@_env: - #1 } { \@@_qpoint:n { #2 } }
5361   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x
5362   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_initial_dim \pgf@y
5363   \pgfpointshapeborder { \@@_env: - #2 } { \@@_qpoint:n { #1 } }
5364   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x
5365   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \pgf@y
5366   \@@_draw_line:
5367 }

```

The commands `\Ldots`, `\Cdots`, `\Vdots`, `\Ddots`, and `\Iddots` don’t use this command because they have to do other settings (for example, the diagonal lines must be parallelized).

21 The command `\RowStyle`

`\g_@@_row_style_tl` may contain several instructions of the form:

```
\@@_if_row_less_than:nn { number } { instructions }
```

Then, `\g_@@_row_style_tl` will be inserted in all the cells of the array (and also in both components of a `\diagbox` in a cell of in a mono-row block).

The test `\@@_if_row_less_then:nn` ensures that the instructions are inserted only if you are in a row which is (still) in the scope of that instructions (which depends on the value of the key `nb-rows` of `\RowStyle`).

That test will be active even in an expandable context because `\@@_if_row_less_then:nn` is *not* protected.

#1 is the first row *after* the scope of the instructions in #2

```

5368 \cs_new:Npn \@@_if_row_less_than:nn #1 #2
5369   { \int_compare:nNnT { \c@iRow } < { #1 } { #2 } }

```

`\@@_put_in_row_style` will be used several times by `\RowStyle`.

```

5370 \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_put_in_row_style:n #1
5371 {
5372   \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_row_style_tl
5373   {

```

Be careful, `\exp_not:N \@@_if_row_less_than:nn` can’t be replaced by a protected version of `\@@_if_row_less_than:nn`.

```

5374   \exp_not:N
5375   \@@_if_row_less_than:nn
5376   { \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + \l_@@_key_nb_rows_int } }

```

The `\scan_stop:` is mandatory (for ex. for the case where `\rotate` is used in the argument of `\RowStyle`).

```

5377     { \exp_not:n { #1 } \scan_stop: }
5378   }
5379 }
5380 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_put_in_row_style:n { e }

5381 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / RowStyle }
5382 {
  cell-space-top-limit .dim_set:N = \l_tmpa_dim ,
  cell-space-top-limit .value_required:n = true ,
  cell-space-bottom-limit .dim_set:N = \l_tmpb_dim ,
  cell-space-bottom-limit .value_required:n = true ,
  cell-space-limits .meta:n =
  {
    cell-space-top-limit = #1 ,
    cell-space-bottom-limit = #1 ,
  } ,
  color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_color_tl ,
  color .value_required:n = true ,
  bold .bool_set:N = \l_@@_bold_row_style_bool ,
  bold .default:n = true ,
  nb-rows .code:n =
  \str_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } { * }
    { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_key_nb_rows_int { 500 } }
    { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_key_nb_rows_int { #1 } } ,
  nb-rows .value_required:n = true ,
  rowcolor .tl_set:N = \l_tmpa_tl ,
  rowcolor .value_required:n = true ,
  unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown~key~for~RowStyle }
}
5404

5405 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_RowStyle:n { O { } m }
5406 {
  \group_begin:
  \tl_clear:N \l_tmpa_tl
  \tl_clear:N \l_@@_color_tl
  \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_key_nb_rows_int \c_one_int
  \dim_zero:N \l_tmpa_dim
  \dim_zero:N \l_tmpb_dim
  \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / RowStyle } { #1 }
}

```

If the key `rowcolor` has been used.

```

5414 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_tmpa_tl
5415 {

```

First, the end of the current row (we remind that `\RowStyle` applies to the *end* of the current row).

```

5416 \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
5417 {

```

The command `\@@_exp_color_arg:No` is *fully expandable*.

```

5418 \@@_exp_color_arg:No \@@_rectanglecolor \l_tmpa_tl
5419   { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
5420   { \int_use:N \c@iRow - * }
5421 }

```

Then, the other rows (if there is several rows).

```

5422 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_key_nb_rows_int > \c_one_int
5423 {
  \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
  {
    \@@_exp_color_arg:No \@@_rowcolor \l_tmpa_tl
    {

```

```

5428             \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 }
5429             - \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + \l_@@_key_nb_rows_int - 1 }
5430         }
5431     }
5432   }
5433 }
5434 \@@_put_in_row_style:n { \exp_not:n { #2 } }

\l_tmpa_dim is the value of the key cell-space-top-limit of \RowStyle.
5435 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_dim > \c_zero_dim
5436 {
5437   \exp_args:Nx \@@_put_in_row_style:n
5438   {
5439     \tl_gput_right:Nn \exp_not:N \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
5440   }

```

It's not possible to change the following code by using `\dim_set_eq:NN` (because of expansion).

```

5441   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_space_top_limit_dim
5442   { \dim_use:N \l_tmpa_dim }
5443 }
5444 }
5445 }

\l_tmpb_dim is the value of the key cell-space-bottom-limit of \RowStyle.
5446 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_dim > \c_zero_dim
5447 {
5448   \exp_args:Nx \@@_put_in_row_style:n
5449   {
5450     \tl_gput_right:Nn \exp_not:N \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl
5451   }
5452   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_space_bottom_limit_dim
5453   { \dim_use:N \l_tmpb_dim }
5454 }
5455 }
5456 }
```

`\l_@@_color_tl` is the value of the key `color` of `\RowStyle`.

```

5457 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_color_tl
5458 {
5459   \@@_put_in_row_style:e
5460   {
5461     \mode_leave_vertical:
5462     \@@_color:n { \l_@@_color_tl }
5463   }
5464 }
```

`\l_@@_bold_row_style_bool` is the value of the key `bold`.

```

5465 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_bold_row_style_bool
5466 {
5467   \@@_put_in_row_style:n
5468   {
5469     \exp_not:n
5470     {
5471       \if_mode_math:
5472         \c_math_toggle_token
5473         \bfseries \boldmath
5474         \c_math_toggle_token
5475       \else:
5476         \bfseries \boldmath
5477       \fi:
5478     }
5479   }
5480 }
5481 \group_end:
5482 \g_@@_row_style_tl
5483 \ignorespaces
```

```
5484 }
```

22 Colors of cells, rows and columns

We want to avoid the thin white lines that are shown in some PDF viewers (eg: with the engine MuPDF used by SumatraPDF). That's why we try to draw rectangles of the same color in the same instruction `\pgfusepath { fill }` (and they will be in the same instruction `fill`—coded `f`—in the resulting PDF).

The commands `\@@_rowcolor`, `\@@_columncolor`, `\@@_rectanglecolor` and `\@@_rowlistcolors` don't directly draw the corresponding rectangles. Instead, they store their instructions color by color:

- A sequence `\g_@@_colors_seq` will be built containing all the colors used by at least one of these instructions. Each *color* may be prefixed by its color model (eg: `[gray]{0.5}`).
- For the color whose index in `\g_@@_colors_seq` is equal to *i*, a list of instructions which use that color will be constructed in the token list `\g_@@_color_i_t1`. In that token list, the instructions will be written using `\@@_cartesian_color:nn` and `\@@_rectanglecolor:nn`.

#1 is the color and #2 is an instruction using that color. Despite its name, the command `\@@_add_to_colors_seq:nn` doesn't only add a color to `\g_@@_colors_seq`: it also updates the corresponding token list `\g_@@_color_i_t1`. We add in a global way because the final user may use the instructions such as `\cellcolor` in a loop of `pgffor` in the `\CodeBefore` (and we recall that a loop of `pgffor` is encapsulated in a group).

```
5485 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_add_to_colors_seq:nn #1 #2
5486 {
```

Firt, we look for the number of the color and, if it's found, we store it in `\l_tmpa_int`. If the color is not present in `\l_@@_colors_seq`, `\l_tmpa_int` will remain equal to 0.

```
5487 \int_zero:N \l_tmpa_int
```

We don't take into account the colors like `myserie!!+` because those colors are special color from a `\definecolorseries` of `xcolor`.

```
5488 \str_if_in:nnF { #1 } { !! }
5489 {
5490     \seq_map_indexed_inline:Nn \g_@@_colors_seq
5491         { \tl_if_eq:nnT { #1 } { ##2 } { \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int { ##1 } } }
5492     }
5493 \int_if_zero:nTF \l_tmpa_int
```

First, the case where the color is a *new* color (not in the sequence).

```
5494 {
5495     \seq_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_colors_seq { #1 }
5496     \tl_gset:cx { g_@@_color _ \seq_count:N \g_@@_colors_seq _ tl } { #2 }
5497 }
```

Now, the case where the color is *not* a new color (the color is in the sequence at the position `\l_tmpa_int`).

```
5498     { \tl_gput_right:cx { g_@@_color _ \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int _ tl } { #2 } }
5499 }
```

```
5500 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_add_to_colors_seq:nn { e n }
5501 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_add_to_colors_seq:nn { e e }
```

The following command must be used within a `\pgfpicture`.

```
5502 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_clip_with_rounded_corners:
5503 {
5504     \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_tab_rounded_corners_dim > \c_zero_dim
5505     {
```

The TeX group is for `\pgfsetcornersarced` (whose scope is the TeX scope).

```

5506 \group_begin:
5507 \pgfsetcornersarced
5508 {
5509     \pgfpoint
5510     { \l_@@_tab_rounded_corners_dim }
5511     { \l_@@_tab_rounded_corners_dim }
5512 }
```

Because we want `nicematrix` compatible with arrays constructed by `array`, the nodes for the rows and columns (that is to say the nodes `row-i` and `col-j`) have not always the expected position, that is to say, there is sometimes a slight shifting of something such as `\arrayrulewidth`. Now, for the clipping, we have to change slightly the position of that clipping whether a rounded rectangle around the array is required. That's the point which is tested in the following line.

```

5513 \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_hvlines_bool
5514 {
5515     \pgfpathrectanglecorners
5516     {
5517         \pgfpointadd
5518         { \c@_qpoint:n { row-1 } }
5519         { \pgfpoint { 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } { \c_zero_dim } }
5520     }
5521     {
5522         \pgfpointadd
5523         {
5524             \c@_qpoint:n
5525             { \int_eval:n { \int_max:nn \c@iRow \c@jCol + 1 } }
5526         }
5527         { \pgfpoint \c_zero_dim { 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } }
5528     }
5529 }
5530 {
5531     \pgfpathrectanglecorners
5532     { \c@_qpoint:n { row-1 } }
5533     {
5534         \pgfpointadd
5535         {
5536             \c@_qpoint:n
5537             { \int_eval:n { \int_max:nn \c@iRow \c@jCol + 1 } }
5538         }
5539         { \pgfpoint \c_zero_dim \arrayrulewidth }
5540     }
5541 }
5542 \pgfusepath { clip }
5543 \group_end:
```

The TeX group was for `\pgfsetcornersarced`.

```

5544 }
5545 }
```

The macro `\c@_actually_color:` will actually fill all the rectangles, color by color (using the sequence `\l_@@_colors_seq` and all the token lists of the form `\l_@@_color_i_t1`).

```

5546 \cs_new_protected:Npn \c@_actually_color:
5547 {
5548     \pgfpicture
5549     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
```

If the final user has used the key `rounded-corners` for the environment `{NiceTabular}`, we will clip to a rectangle with rounded corners before filling the rectangles.

```

5550 \c@_clip_with_rounded_corners:
5551 \seq_map_indexed_inline:Nn \g_@@_colors_seq
5552 {
5553     \int_compare:nNnTF { ##1 } = \c_one_int
```

```

5554     {
5555         \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_cartesian_path:n \@@_cartesian_path_nocolor:n
5556         \use:c { g_@@_color _ 1 _tl }
5557         \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_cartesian_path:n \@@_cartesian_path_normal:n
5558     }
5559     {
5560         \begin { pgfscope }
5561             \@@_color_opacity ##2
5562             \use:c { g_@@_color _ ##1 _tl }
5563             \tl_gclear:c { g_@@_color _ ##1 _tl }
5564             \pgfusepath { fill }
5565         \end { pgfscope }
5566     }
5567 }
5568 \endpgfpicture
5569 }
```

The following command will extract the potential key `opacity` in its optional argument (between square brackets) and (of course) then apply the command `\color`.

```

5570 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_color_opacity
5571 {
5572     \peek_meaning:NTF [
5573         { \@@_color_opacity:w }
5574         { \@@_color_opacity:w [ ] }
5575 }
```

The command `\@@_color_opacity:w` takes in as argument only the optional argument. One may consider that the second argument (the actual definition of the color) is provided by curryfication.

```

5576 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_color_opacity:w [ #1 ]
5577 {
5578     \tl_clear:N \l_tmpa_tl
5579     \keys_set_known:nnN { nicematrix / color-opacity } { #1 } \l_tmpb_tl
\l_tmpa_tl (if not empty) is now the opacity and \l_tmpb_tl (if not empty) is now the colorimetric space.
5580     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_tmpa_tl { \exp_args:No \pgfsetfillopacity \l_tmpa_tl }
5581     \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_tmpb_tl
5582         { \@declaredcolor }
5583         { \use:e { \exp_not:N \@undeclaredcolor [ \l_tmpb_tl ] } }
5584 }
```

The following set of keys is used by the command `\@@_color_opacity:wn`.

```

5585 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / color-opacity }
5586 {
5587     opacity .tl_set:N      = \l_tmpa_tl ,
5588     opacity .value_required:n = true
5589 }

5590 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cartesian_color:nn #1 #2
5591 {
5592     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_rows_tl { #1 }
5593     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_cols_tl { #2 }
5594     \@@_cartesian_path:
5595 }
```

Here is an example : `\@@_rowcolor {red!15} {1,3,5-7,10-}`

```

5596 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_rowcolor { O { } m m }
5597 {
5598     \tl_if_blank:nF { #2 }
5599     {
```

```

5600     \@@_add_to_colors_seq:en
5601     { \tl_if_blank:nF { #1 } { [ #1 ] } { #2 } }
5602     { \@@_cartesian_color:nn { #3 } { - } }
5603   }
5604 }

```

Here an example : \@@_columncolor:nn {red!15} {1,3,5-7,10-}

```

5605 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_columncolor { 0 { } m m }
5606 {
5607   \tl_if_blank:nF { #2 }
5608   {
5609     \@@_add_to_colors_seq:en
5610     { \tl_if_blank:nF { #1 } { [ #1 ] } { #2 } }
5611     { \@@_cartesian_color:nn { - } { #3 } }
5612   }
5613 }

```

Here is an example : \@@_rectanglecolor{red!15}{2-3}{5-6}

```

5614 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_rectanglecolor { 0 { } m m m }
5615 {
5616   \tl_if_blank:nF { #2 }
5617   {
5618     \@@_add_to_colors_seq:en
5619     { \tl_if_blank:nF { #1 } { [ #1 ] } { #2 } }
5620     { \@@_rectanglecolor:nnn { #3 } { #4 } { \c_zero_dim } }
5621   }
5622 }

```

The last argument is the radius of the corners of the rectangle.

```

5623 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_roundedrectanglecolor { 0 { } m m m m }
5624 {
5625   \tl_if_blank:nF { #2 }
5626   {
5627     \@@_add_to_colors_seq:en
5628     { \tl_if_blank:nF { #1 } { [ #1 ] } { #2 } }
5629     { \@@_rectanglecolor:nnn { #3 } { #4 } { #5 } }
5630   }
5631 }

```

The last argument is the radius of the corners of the rectangle.

```

5632 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rectanglecolor:nnn #1 #2 #3
5633 {
5634   \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #1 \q_stop
5635   \tl_clear_new:N \l_@@_tmpc_tl
5636   \tl_clear_new:N \l_@@_tmpd_tl
5637   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_tl \l_tmpa_tl
5638   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_tl \l_tmpb_tl
5639   \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #2 \q_stop
5640   \tl_set:Nx \l_@@_rows_tl { \l_@@_tmpc_tl - \l_tmpa_tl }
5641   \tl_set:Nx \l_@@_cols_tl { \l_@@_tmpd_tl - \l_tmpb_tl }

```

The command \@@_cartesian_path:n takes in two implicit arguments: \l_@@_cols_tl and \l_@@_rows_tl.

```

5642   \@@_cartesian_path:n { #3 }
5643 }

```

Here is an example : \@@_cellcolor[rgb]{0.5,0.5,0}{2-3,3-4,4-5,5-6}

```

5644 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_cellcolor { 0 { } m m }
5645 {
5646   \clist_map_inline:nn { #3 }
5647   { \@@_rectanglecolor [ #1 ] { #2 } { ##1 } { ##1 } }
5648 }

```

```

5649 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_chessboardcolors { 0 { } m m }
5650 {
5651   \int_step_inline:nn \c@iRow
5652   {
5653     \int_step_inline:nn \c@jCol
5654     {
5655       \int_if_even:nTF { #####1 + ##1 }
5656       { \@@_cellcolor [ #1 ] { #2 } }
5657       { \@@_cellcolor [ #1 ] { #3 } }
5658       { ##1 - #####1 }
5659     }
5660   }
5661 }

```

The command `\@@_arraycolor` (linked to `\arraycolor` at the beginning of the `\CodeBefore`) will color the whole tabular (excepted the potential exterior rows and columns) and the cells in the “corners”.

```

5662 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_arraycolor { 0 { } m }
5663 {
5664   \@@_rectanglecolor [ #1 ] { #2 }
5665   { 1 - 1 }
5666   { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
5667 }

5668 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / rowcolors }
5669 {
5670   respect-blocks .bool_set:N = \l_@@_respect_blocks_bool ,
5671   respect-blocks .default:n = true ,
5672   cols .tl_set:N = \l_@@_cols_tl ,
5673   restart .bool_set:N = \l_@@_rowcolors_restart_bool ,
5674   restart .default:n = true ,
5675   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown~key~for~rowcolors }
5676 }

```

The command `\rowcolors` (accessible in the `\CodeBefore`) is inspired by the command `\rowcolors` of the package `xcolor` (with the option `table`). However, the command `\rowcolors` of `nicematrix` has *not* the optional argument of the command `\rowcolors` of `xcolor`.

Here is an example: `\rowcolors{1}{blue!10}{red}[respect-blocks]`.

In `nicematrix`, the commmand `\@@_rowcolors` appears as a special case of `\@@_rowlistcolors`. #1 (optional) is the color space; #2 is a list of intervals of rows; #3 is the list of colors; #4 is for the optional list of pairs `key=value`.

```

5677 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_rowlistcolors { 0 { } m m 0 { } }
5678 {

```

The group is for the options. `\l_@@_colors_seq` will be the list of colors.

```

5679 \group_begin:
5680   \seq_clear_new:N \l_@@_colors_seq
5681   \seq_set_split:Nnn \l_@@_colors_seq { , } { #3 }
5682   \tl_clear_new:N \l_@@_cols_tl
5683   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_cols_tl { - }
5684   \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / rowcolors } { #4 }

```

The counter `\l_@@_color_int` will be the rank of the current color in the list of colors (modulo the length of the list).

```

5685   \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_color_int
5686   \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_color_int \c_one_int
5687   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_respect_blocks_bool
5688   {

```

We don't want to take into account a block which is completely in the "first column" (number 0) or in the "last column" and that's why we filter the sequence of the blocks (in a the sequence `\l_tmpa_seq`).

```

5689   \seq_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_seq \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
5690   \seq_set_filter:NNn \l_tmpa_seq \l_tmpb_seq
5691   { \@@_not_in_exterior_p:nnnn ##1 }
5692   }
5693   \pgfpicture
5694   \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse

```

#2 is the list of intervals of rows.

```

5695   \clist_map_inline:nn { #2 }
5696   {
5697     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { ##1 }
5698     \tl_if_in:NnTF \l_tmpa_tl { - }
5699     { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w ##1 \q_stop }
5700     { \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \c@iRow } }

```

Now, `\l_tmpa_tl` and `\l_tmpb_tl` are the first row and the last row of the interval of rows that we have to treat. The counter `\l_tmpa_int` will be the index of the loop over the rows.

```

5701   \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int \l_tmpa_tl
5702   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_color_int
5703   { \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_rowcolors_restart_bool 1 \l_tmpa_tl }
5704   \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_tmpc_int
5705   \int_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpc_int \l_tmpb_tl
5706   \int_do_until:nNnn \l_tmpa_int > \l_@@_tmpc_int
5707   {

```

We will compute in `\l_tmpb_int` the last row of the "block".

```
5708   \int_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_int \l_tmpa_int
```

If the key `respect-blocks` is in force, we have to adjust that value (of course).

```

5709   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_respect_blocks_bool
5710   {
5711     \seq_set_filter:NNn \l_tmpb_seq \l_tmpa_seq
5712     { \@@_intersect_our_row_p:nnnnn #####1 }
5713     \seq_map_inline:Nn \l_tmpb_seq { \@@_rowcolors_i:nnnnn #####1 }

```

Now, the last row of the block is computed in `\l_tmpb_int`.

```

5714   }
5715   \tl_set:No \l_@@_rows_tl
5716   { \int_use:N \l_tmpa_int - \int_use:N \l_tmpb_int }

```

`\l_@@_tmpc_tl` will be the color that we will use.

```

5717   \tl_clear_new:N \l_@@_color_tl
5718   \tl_set:Nx \l_@@_color_tl
5719   {
5720     \@@_color_index:n
5721     {
5722       \int_mod:nn
5723       { \l_@@_color_int - 1 }
5724       { \seq_count:N \l_@@_colors_seq }
5725       + 1
5726     }
5727   }
5728   \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_color_tl
5729   {
5730     \@@_add_to_colors_seq:ee
5731     { \tl_if_blank:nF { #1 } { [ #1 ] } { \l_@@_color_tl } }
5732     { \@@_cartesian_color:nn { \l_@@_rows_tl } { \l_@@_cols_tl } }
5733   }
5734   \int_incr:N \l_@@_color_int
5735   \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int { \l_tmpb_int + 1 }
5736   }
5737 }
5738 \endpgfpicture

```

```

5739     \group_end:
5740 }

```

The command `\@@_color_index:n` peekes in `\l_@@_colors_seq` the color at the index #1. However, if that color is the symbol `=`, the previous one is poken. This macro is recursive.

```

5741 \cs_new:Npn \@@_color_index:n #1
5742 {
5743     \str_if_eq:eeTF { \seq_item:Nn \l_@@_colors_seq { #1 } } { = }
5744         { \@@_color_index:n { #1 - 1 } }
5745         { \seq_item:Nn \l_@@_colors_seq { #1 } }
5746 }

```

The command `\rowcolors` (available in the `\CodeBefore`) is a specialisation of the more general command `\rowlistcolors`. The last argument, which is a optional argument between square brackets is provided by curryfication.

```

5747 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_rowcolors { O { } m m m }
5748     { \@@_rowlistcolors [ #1 ] { #2 } { { #3 } , { #4 } } }

```

The braces around #3 and #4 are mandatory.

```

5749 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rowcolors_i:nnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
5750 {
5751     \int_compare:nNnT { #3 } > \l_tmpb_int
5752         { \int_set:Nn \l_tmpb_int { #3 } }
5753 }

5754 \prg_new_conditional:Nnn \@@_not_in_exterior:nnnnn p
5755 {
5756     \int_if_zero:nTF { #4 }
5757         \prg_return_false:
5758     {
5759         \int_compare:nNnTF { #2 } > \c@jCol
5760             \prg_return_false:
5761             \prg_return_true:
5762     }
5763 }

```

The following command return `true` when the block intersects the row `\l_tmpa_int`.

```

5764 \prg_new_conditional:Nnn \@@_intersect_our_row:nnnnn p
5765 {
5766     \int_compare:nNnTF { #1 } > \l_tmpa_int
5767         \prg_return_false:
5768     {
5769         \int_compare:nNnTF \l_tmpa_int > { #3 }
5770             \prg_return_false:
5771             \prg_return_true:
5772     }
5773 }

```

The following command uses two implicit arguments: `\l_@@_rows_t1` and `\l_@@_cols_t1` which are specifications for a set of rows and a set of columns. It creates a path but does *not* fill it. It must be filled by another command after. The argument is the radius of the corners. We define below a command `\@@_cartesian_path:` which corresponds to a value 0 pt for the radius of the corners. This command is, in particular, used in `\@@_rectanglecolor:nnn` (used in `\@@_rectanglecolor`, itself used in `\@@_cellcolor`).

```

5774 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cartesian_path_normal:n #1
5775 {
5776     \dim_compare:nNnTF { #1 } = \c_zero_dim
5777         {
5778             \bool_if:NTF

```

```

5779     \l_@@_nocolor_used_bool
5780     \@@_cartesian_path_normal_ii:
5781     {
5782         \seq_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
5783             { \@@_cartesian_path_normal_i:n { #1 } }
5784             \@@_cartesian_path_normal_ii:
5785         }
5786     }
5787     { \@@_cartesian_path_normal_i:n { #1 } }
5788 }
```

First, the situation where is a rectangular zone of cells will be colored as a whole (in the instructions of the resulting PDF). The argument is the radius of the corners.

```

5789 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cartesian_path_normal_i:n #1
5790 {
5791     \pgfsetcornersarced { \pgfpoint { #1 } { #1 } }
```

We begin the loop over the columns.

```

5792 \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_cols_tl
5793 {
5794     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { ##1 }
5795     \tl_if_in:NnTF \l_tmpa_tl { - }
5796         { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w ##1 \q_stop }
5797         { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w ##1 - ##1 \q_stop }
5798     \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_tmpa_tl
5799         { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { 1 } }
5800         {
5801             \tl_if_eq:NNT \l_tmpa_tl \c_@@_star_tl
5802                 { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { 1 } }
5803         }
5804     \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_tmpb_tl
5805         { \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \c@jCol } }
5806         {
5807             \tl_if_eq:NNT \l_tmpb_tl \c_@@_star_tl
5808                 { \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \c@jCol } }
5809         }
5810     \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl > \g_@@_col_total_int
5811         { \tl_set:Nno \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \g_@@_col_total_int } }
```

\l_@@_tmpc_tl will contain the number of column.

```

5812 \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_tl \l_tmpa_tl
5813 \@@_qpoint:n { col - \l_tmpa_tl }
5814 \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_first_col_int = \l_tmpa_tl
5815     { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpc_dim { \pgf@x - 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } }
5816     { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpc_dim { \pgf@x + 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } }
5817 \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl + 1 } }
5818 \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim { \pgf@x + 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }
```

We begin the loop over the rows.

```

5819 \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_rows_tl
5820 {
5821     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { #####1 }
5822     \tl_if_in:NnTF \l_tmpa_tl { - }
5823         { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #####1 \q_stop }
5824         { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #####1 - #####1 \q_stop }
5825     \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_tmpa_tl
5826         { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { 1 } }
5827         {
5828             \tl_if_eq:NNT \l_tmpa_tl \c_@@_star_tl
5829                 { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { 1 } }
5830         }
5831     \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_tmpb_tl
5832         { \tl_set:Nno \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \c@iRow } }
5833     { }
```

```

5834     \tl_if_eq:NNT \l_tmpb_tl \c_@@_star_tl
5835         { \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \c@iRow } }
5836     }
5837     \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl > \g_@@_row_total_int
5838         { \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \g_@@_row_total_int } }

```

Now, the numbers of both rows are in `\l_tmpa_tl` and `\l_tmpb_tl`.

```

5839     \cs_if_exist:cF
5840         { @_ \l_tmpa_tl _ \l_@@_tmpc_tl _ nocol }
5841     {
5842         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl + 1 } }
5843         \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim { \pgf@y + 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }
5844         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \l_tmpa_tl }
5845         \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpd_dim { \pgf@y + 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }
5846         \pgfpathrectanglecorners
5847             { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpc_dim \l_@@_tmpd_dim }
5848             { \pgfpoint \l_tmpa_dim \l_tmpb_dim }
5849     }
5850 }
5851 }
5852 }

```

Now, the case where the cells will be colored cell by cell (it's mandatory for example if the key `corners` is used).

```

5853 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cartesian_path_normal_ii:
5854 {
5855     \@@_expand_clist:NN \l_@@_cols_tl \c@jCol
5856     \@@_expand_clist:NN \l_@@_rows_tl \c@iRow

```

We begin the loop over the columns.

```

5857 \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_cols_tl
5858 {
5859     \@@_qpoint:n { col - ##1 }
5860     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_first_col_int = { ##1 }
5861         { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpc_dim { \pgf@x - 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } }
5862         { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpc_dim { \pgf@x + 0.5 \arrayrulewidth } }
5863     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { ##1 + 1 } }
5864     \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim { \pgf@x + 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }

```

We begin the loop over the rows.

```

5865 \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_rows_tl
5866 {
5867     \seq_if_in:NnF \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
5868         { #####1 - ##1 }
5869     {
5870         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { #####1 + 1 } }
5871         \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim { \pgf@y + 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }
5872         \@@_qpoint:n { row - #####1 }
5873         \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpd_dim { \pgf@y + 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }
5874         \cs_if_exist:cF { @_ #####1 - ##1 _ nocol }
5875         {
5876             \pgfpathrectanglecorners
5877                 { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpc_dim \l_@@_tmpd_dim }
5878                 { \pgfpoint \l_tmpa_dim \l_tmpb_dim }
5879         }
5880     }
5881 }
5882 }
5883 }

```

The following command corresponds to a radius of the corners equal to 0 pt. This command is used by the commands `\@@_rowcolor`, `\@@_columncolor` and `\@@_rowcolor:n` (used in `\@@_rowcolor`).

```

5884 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cartesian_path: { \@@_cartesian_path:n \c_zero_dim }

```

Despite its name, the following command does not create a PGF path. It declares as colored by the “empty color” all the cells in what would be the path. Hence, the other coloring instructions of `nicematrix` won’t put color in those cells. the

```
5885 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_cartesian_path_nocolor:n #1
5886 {
5887     \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_nocolor_used_bool
5888     \@@_expand_clist:NN \l_@@_cols_tl \c@jCol
5889     \@@_expand_clist:NN \l_@@_rows_tl \c@iRow
```

We begin the loop over the columns.

```
5890 \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_rows_tl
5891 {
5892     \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_cols_tl
5893     { \cs_set:cpn { @#1 - #####1 _ nocolor } { } }
5894 }
5895 }
```

The following command will be used only with `\l_@@_cols_tl` and `\c@jCol` (first case) or with `\l_@@_rows_tl` and `\c@iRow` (second case). For instance, with `\l_@@_cols_tl` equal to `2,4-6,8-*` and `\c@jCol` equal to `10`, the clist `\l_@@_cols_tl` will be replaced by `2,4,5,6,8,9,10`.

```
5896 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_expand_clist:NN #1 #2
5897 {
5898     \clist_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_clist #1
5899     \clist_clear:N #1
5900     \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_tmpa_clist
5901     {
5902         \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { ##1 }
5903         \tl_if_in:NnTF \l_tmpa_tl { - }
5904             { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w ##1 \q_stop }
5905             { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w ##1 - ##1 \q_stop }
5906         \bool_lazy_or:nnT
5907             { \tl_if_blank_p:o \l_tmpa_tl }
5908             { \str_if_eq_p:on \l_tmpa_tl { * } }
5909             { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_tmpa_tl { 1 } }
5910         \bool_lazy_or:nnT
5911             { \tl_if_blank_p:o \l_tmpb_tl }
5912             { \str_if_eq_p:on \l_tmpb_tl { * } }
5913             { \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N #2 } }
5914         \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl > #2
5915             { \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N #2 } }
5916         \int_step_inline:nnn \l_tmpa_tl \l_tmpb_tl
5917             { \clist_put_right:Nn #1 { #####1 } }
5918     }
5919 }
```

When the user uses the key `color-inside`, the following command will be linked to `\cellcolor` in the tabular.

```
5920 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_cellcolor_tabular { O{ } m }
5921 {
5922     \@@_test_color_inside:
5923     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
5924 }
```

We must not expand the color (#2) because the color may contain the token ! which may be activated by some packages (ex.: `babel` with the option `french` on `latex` and `pdflatex`).

```
5925     \@@_cellcolor [ #1 ] { \exp_not:n { #2 } }
5926         { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
5927     }
5928     \ignorespaces
5929 }
```

When the user uses the key `color-inside`, the following command will be linked to `\rowcolor` in the tabular.

```

5930 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_rowcolor_tabular { 0 { } m }
5931 {
5932   \@@_test_color_inside:
5933   \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
5934   {
5935     \@@_rectanglecolor [ #1 ] { \exp_not:n { #2 } }
5936     { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \int_use:N \c@jCol }
5937     { \int_use:N \c@iRow - \exp_not:n { \int_use:N \c@jCol } }
5938   }
5939   \ignorespaces
5940 }
```

When the user uses the key `color-inside`, the following command will be linked to `\rowcolors` in the tabular. The last argument (an optional argument between square brackets is taken by curryfication).

```

5941 \NewDocumentCommand { \@@_rowcolors_tabular } { 0 { } m m }
5942   { \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular [ #1 ] { { #2 } , { #3 } } }
```

The braces around #2 and #3 are mandatory.

When the user uses the key `color-inside`, the following command will be linked to `\rowlistcolors` in the tabular.

```

5943 \NewDocumentCommand { \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular } { 0 { } m 0 { } }
5944 {
5945   \@@_test_color_inside:
5946   \peek_remove_spaces:n
5947   { \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular:nnn { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } }
5948 }
```



```

5949 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular:nnn #1 #2 #3
5950 {
```

A use of `\rowlistcolors` in the tabular erases the instructions `\rowlistcolors` which are in force. However, it's possible to put *several* instructions `\rowlistcolors` in the same row of a tabular: it may be useful when those instructions `\rowlistcolors` concerns different columns of the tabular (thanks to the key `cols` of `\rowlistcolors`). That's why we store the different instructions `\rowlistcolors` which are in force in a sequence `\g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq`. Now, we will filter that sequence to keep only the elements which have been issued on the actual row. We will store the elements to keep in the `\g_tmpa_seq`.

```

5951 \seq_gclear:N \g_tmpa_seq
5952 \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq
5953   { \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular_i:nnnn ##1 }
5954 \seq_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq \g_tmpa_seq
```

Now, we add to the sequence `\g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq` (which is the list of the commands `\rowlistcolors` which are in force) the current instruction `\rowlistcolors`.

```

5955 \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq
5956 {
5957   { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
5958   { \exp_not:n { #1 } }
5959   { \exp_not:n { #2 } }
5960   { restart , cols = \int_use:N \c@jCol - , \exp_not:n { #3 } }
5961 }
5962 }
```

The following command will be applied to each component of `\g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq`. Each component of that sequence is a kind of 4-uple of the form `{#1}{#2}{#3}{#4}`.

#1 is the number of the row where the command `\rowlistcolors` has been issued.

#2 is the colorimetric space (optional argument of the `\rowlistcolors`).

#3 is the list of colors (mandatory argument of `\rowlistcolors`).

#4 is the list of key=value pairs (last optional argument of \rowlistcolors).

```
5963 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular_i:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
5964 {
5965     \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } = \c@iRow
```

We (temporary) keep in memory in \g_tmpa_seq the instructions which will still be in force after the current instruction (because they have been issued in the same row of the tabular).

```
5966     { \seq_gput_right:Nn \g_tmpa_seq { { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } { #4 } } }
5967     {
5968         \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
5969         {
5970             \@@_rowlistcolors
5971             [ \exp_not:n { #2 } ]
5972             { #1 - \int_eval:n { \c@iRow - 1 } }
5973             { \exp_not:n { #3 } }
5974             [ \exp_not:n { #4 } ]
5975         }
5976     }
5977 }
```

The following command will be used at the end of the tabular, just before the execution of the \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl. It clears the sequence \g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq of all the commands \rowlistcolors which are (still) in force.

```
5978 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_clear_rowlistcolors_seq:
5979 {
5980     \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq
5981     { \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular_ii:nnnn ##1 }
5982     \seq_gclear:N \g_@@_rowlistcolors_seq
5983 }

5984 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rowlistcolors_tabular_ii:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
5985 {
5986     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
5987     { \@@_rowlistcolors [ #2 ] { #1 } { #3 } [ #4 ] }
5988 }
```

The first mandatory argument of the command \@@_rowlistcolors which is written in the pre-\CodeBefore is of the form i: it means that the command must be applied to all the rows from the row *i* until the end of the tabular.

```
5989 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_columncolor_preamble { O { } m }
5990 {
```

With the following line, we test whether the cell is the first one we encounter in its column (don't forget that some rows may be incomplete).

```
5991 \int_compare:nNnT \c@jCol > \g_@@_col_total_int
5992 {
```

You use gput_left because we want the specification of colors for the columns drawn before the specifications of color for the rows (and the cells). Be careful: maybe this is not effective since we have an analyze of the instructions in the \CodeBefore in order to fill color by color (to avoid the thin white lines).

```
5993 \tl_gput_left:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
5994 {
5995     \exp_not:N \columncolor [ #1 ]
5996     { \exp_not:n { #2 } } { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
5997 }
5998 }
5999 }
```

```

6000 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
6001 {
6002   \IfPackageLoadedTF { colortbl }
6003   {
6004     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_cellcolor \cellcolor
6005     \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_rowcolor \rowcolor
6006     \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_revert_colortbl:
6007     {
6008       \hook_gput_code:nnn { env / tabular / begin } { nicematrix }
6009       {
6010         \cs_set_eq:NN \cellcolor \@@_old_cellcolor
6011         \cs_set_eq:NN \rowcolor \@@_old_rowcolor
6012       }
6013     }
6014   }
6015   { \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_revert_colortbl: { } }
6016 }

```

23 The vertical and horizontal rules

OnlyMainNiceMatrix

We give to the user the possibility to define new types of columns (with `\newcolumntype` of `array`) for special vertical rules (*e.g.* rules thicker than the standard ones) which will not extend in the potential exterior rows of the array.

We provide the command `\OnlyMainNiceMatrix` in that goal. However, that command must be no-op outside the environments of `nicematrix` (and so the user will be allowed to use the same new type of column in the environments of `nicematrix` and in the standard environments of `array`).

That's why we provide first a global definition of `\OnlyMainNiceMatrix`.

```
6017 \cs_set_eq:NN \OnlyMainNiceMatrix \use:
```

Another definition of `\OnlyMainNiceMatrix` will be linked to the command in the environments of `nicematrix`. Here is that definition, called `\@@_OnlyMainNiceMatrix:n`.

```

6018 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_OnlyMainNiceMatrix:n #
6019 {
6020   \int_if_zero:nTF \l_@@_first_col_int
6021   { \@@_OnlyMainNiceMatrix_i:n { #1 } }
6022   {
6023     \int_if_zero:nTF \c@jCol
6024     {
6025       \int_compare:nNnf \c@iRow = { -1 }
6026       { \int_compare:nNnf \c@iRow = { \l_@@_last_row_int - 1 } { #1 } }
6027     }
6028     { \@@_OnlyMainNiceMatrix_i:n { #1 } }
6029   }
6030 }

```

This definition may seem complicated but we must remind that the number of row `\c@iRow` is incremented in the first cell of the row, *after* a potential vertical rule on the left side of the first cell.

The command `\@@_OnlyMainNiceMatrix_i:n` is only a short-cut which is used twice in the above command. This command must *not* be protected.

```

6031 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_OnlyMainNiceMatrix_i:n #
6032 {
6033   \int_if_zero:nF \c@iRow
6034   {
6035     \int_compare:nNnf \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int
6036     {

```

```

6037     \int_compare:nNnT \c@jCol > \c_zero_int
6038         { \bool_if:NF \l_@@_in_last_col_bool { #1 } }
6039     }
6040 }
6041 }
```

Remember that `\c@iRow` is not always inferior to `\l_@@_last_row_int` because `\l_@@_last_row_int` may be equal to -2 or -1 (we can't write `\int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow < \l_@@_last_row_int`).

General system for drawing rules

When a command, environment or “subsystem” of `nicematrix` wants to draw a rule, it will write in the internal `\CodeAfter` a command `\@@_vline:n` or `\@@_hline:n`. Both commands take in as argument a list of `key=value` pairs. That list will first be analyzed with the following set of keys. However, unknown keys will be analyzed further with another set of keys.

```

6042 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / Rules }
6043 {
6044     position .int_set:N = \l_@@_position_int ,
6045     position .value_required:n = true ,
6046     start .int_set:N = \l_@@_start_int ,
6047     end .code:n =
6048         \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
6049             { \tl_if_empty_p:n { #1 } }
6050             { \str_if_eq_p:nn { #1 } { last } }
6051             { \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_end_int \c@jCol }
6052             { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_end_int { #1 } }
6053 }
```

It's possible that the rule won't be drawn continuously from `start` ot `end` because of the blocks (created with the command `\Block`), the virtual blocks (created by `\Cdots`, etc.), etc. That's why an analyse is done and the rule is cut in small rules which will actually be drawn. The small continuous rules will be drawn by `\@@_vline_i:` and `\@@_hline_i::`. Those commands use the following set of keys.

```

6054 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / RulesBis }
6055 {
6056     multiplicity .int_set:N = \l_@@_multiplicity_int ,
6057     multiplicity .initial:n = 1 ,
6058     dotted .bool_set:N = \l_@@_dotted_bool ,
6059     dotted .initial:n = false ,
6060     dotted .default:n = true ,
```

We want that, even when the rule has been defined with TikZ by the key `tikz`, the user has still the possibility to change the color of the rule with the key `color` (in the command `\Hline`, not in the key `tikz` of the command `\Hline`). The main use is, when the user has defined its own command `\MyDashedLine` by `\newcommand{\MyDashedRule}{\Hline[tikz=dashed]}`, to give the ability to write `\MyDashedRule[color=red]`.

```

6061     color .code:n =
6062         \@@_set_Carc@:n { #1 }
6063         \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_rule_color_tl { #1 } ,
6064     color .value_required:n = true ,
6065     sep-color .code:n = \@@_set_Cdrsc@:n { #1 } ,
6066     sep-color .value_required:n = true ,
```

If the user uses the key `tikz`, the rule (or more precisely: the different sub-rules since a rule may be broken by blocks or others) will be drawn with Tikz.

```

6067     tikz .code:n =
6068         \IfPackageLoadedTF { tikz }
6069             { \clist_put_right:Nn \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl { #1 } }
6070             { \@@_error:n { tikz-without-tikz } } ,
6071     tikz .value_required:n = true ,
6072     total-width .dim_set:N = \l_@@_rule_width_dim ,
```

```

6073     total-width .value_required:n = true ,
6074     width .meta:n = { total-width = #1 } ,
6075     unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-RulesBis }
6076 }

```

The vertical rules

The following command will be executed in the internal `\CodeAfter`. The argument #1 is a list of `key=value` pairs.

```

6077 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_vline:n #1
6078 {

```

The group is for the options.

```

6079 \group_begin:
6080   \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_end_int \c@iRow
6081   \keys_set_known:nnN { nicematrix / Rules } { #1 } \l_@@_other_keys_tl

```

The following test is for the case where the user does not use all the columns specified in the preamble of the environment (for instance, a preamble of `|c|c|c|` but only two columns used).

```

6082   \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_position_int < { \c@jCol + 2 }
6083     \@@_vline_i:
6084   \group_end:
6085 }

6086 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_vline_i:
6087 {

```

`\l_tmpa_tl` is the number of row and `\l_tmpb_tl` the number of column. When we have found a row corresponding to a rule to draw, we note its number in `\l_@@_tmpc_tl`.

```

6088 \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \l_@@_position_int }
6089 \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_start_int \l_@@_end_int
6090   \l_tmpa_tl
6091 {

```

The boolean `\g_tmpa_bool` indicates whether the small vertical rule will be drawn. If we find that it is in a block (a real block, created by `\Block` or a virtual block corresponding to a dotted line, created by `\Cdots`, `\Vdots`, etc.), we will set `\g_tmpa_bool` to `false` and the small vertical rule won't be drawn.

```

6092   \bool_gset_true:N \g_tmpa_bool
6093   \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
6094     { \@@_test_vline_in_block:nnnn ##1 }
6095   \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_xdots_seq
6096     { \@@_test_vline_in_block:nnnn ##1 }
6097   \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_stroken_blocks_seq
6098     { \@@_test_vline_in_stroken_block:nnnn ##1 }
6099   \clist_if_empty:NF \l_@@_corners_clist \@@_test_in_corner_v:
6100   \bool_if:NTF \g_tmpa_bool
6101     {
6102       \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_local_start_int

```

We keep in memory that we have a rule to draw. `\l_@@_local_start_int` will be the starting row of the rule that we will have to draw.

```

6103   { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_local_start_int \l_tmpa_tl }
6104 }
6105 {
6106   \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_local_start_int > \c_zero_int
6107   {
6108     \int_set:Nn \l_@@_local_end_int { \l_tmpa_tl - 1 }
6109     \@@_vline_ii:
6110     \int_zero:N \l_@@_local_start_int
6111   }
6112 }
6113 }
6114 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_local_start_int > \c_zero_int
6115 {

```

```

6116     \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_local_end_int \l_@@_end_int
6117     \@@_vline_ii:
6118 }
6119 }

6120 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_in_corner_v:
6121 {
6122     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_tmpb_tl = { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } }
6123     {
6124         \seq_if_in:NxT
6125         \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6126         { \l_tmpa_tl - \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl - 1 } }
6127         { \bool_set_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6128     }
6129     {
6130         \seq_if_in:NxT
6131         \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6132         { \l_tmpa_tl - \l_tmpb_tl }
6133         {
6134             \int_compare:nNnTF \l_tmpb_tl = \c_one_int
6135             { \bool_set_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6136             {
6137                 \seq_if_in:NxT
6138                 \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6139                 { \l_tmpa_tl - \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl - 1 } }
6140                 { \bool_set_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6141             }
6142         }
6143     }
6144 }

6145 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_vline_ii:
6146 {
6147     \tl_clear:N \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl
6148     \keys_set:nV { nicematrix / RulesBis } \l_@@_other_keys_tl
6149     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_dotted_bool
6150         \@@_vline_iv:
6151     {
6152         \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl
6153             \@@_vline_iii:
6154             \@@_vline_v:
6155     }
6156 }

```

First the case of a standard rule: the user has not used the key `dotted` nor the key `tikz`.

```

6157 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_vline_iii:
6158 {
6159     \pgfpicture
6160     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
6161     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
6162     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_local_start_int }
6163     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
6164     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_position_int }
6165     \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim
6166     {
6167         \pgf@x
6168         - 0.5 \l_@@_rule_width_dim
6169         +
6170         ( \arrayrulewidth * \l_@@_multiplicity_int
6171             + \doublerulesep * ( \l_@@_multiplicity_int - 1 ) ) / 2
6172     }

```

```

6173 \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_local_end_int + 1 } }
6174 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@y
6175 \bool_lazy_all:nT
6176 {
6177   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_multiplicity_int > \c_one_int }
6178   { \cs_if_exist_p:N \CT@drsc@ }
6179   { ! \tl_if_blank_p:o \CT@drsc@ }
6180 }
6181 {
6182   \group_begin:
6183   \CT@drsc@
6184   \dim_add:Nn \l_tmpa_dim { 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }
6185   \dim_sub:Nn \l_@@_tmpc_dim { 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }
6186   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpd_dim
6187   {
6188     \l_tmpb_dim - ( \doublerulesep + \arrayrulewidth )
6189     * ( \l_@@_multiplicity_int - 1 )
6190   }
6191   \pgfpathrectanglecorners
6192   { \pgfpoint \l_tmpb_dim \l_tmpa_dim }
6193   { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpd_dim \l_@@_tmpc_dim }
6194   \pgfusepath { fill }
6195   \group_end:
6196 }
6197 \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpb_dim \l_tmpa_dim }
6198 \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpb_dim \l_@@_tmpc_dim }
6199 \prg_replicate:nn { \l_@@_multiplicity_int - 1 }
6200 {
6201   \dim_sub:Nn \l_tmpb_dim \arrayrulewidth
6202   \dim_sub:Nn \l_tmpb_dim \doublerulesep
6203   \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpb_dim \l_tmpa_dim }
6204   \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpb_dim \l_@@_tmpc_dim }
6205 }
6206 \CT@arc@
6207 \pgfsetlinewidth { 1.1 \arrayrulewidth }
6208 \pgfsetrectcap
6209 \pgfusepathqstroke
6210 \endpgfpicture
6211 }

```

The following code is for the case of a dotted rule (with our system of rounded dots).

```

6212 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_vline_iv:
6213 {
6214   \pgfpicture
6215   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
6216   \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
6217   \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_position_int }
6218   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim { \pgf@x - 0.5 \l_@@_rule_width_dim }
6219   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \l_@@_x_initial_dim
6220   \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_local_start_int }
6221   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_initial_dim \pgf@y
6222   \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_local_end_int + 1 } }
6223   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \pgf@y
6224   \CT@arc@
6225   \@@_draw_line:
6226   \endpgfpicture
6227 }

```

The following code is for the case when the user uses the key `tikz`.

```

6228 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_vline_v:
6229 {
6230   \begin{tikzpicture}

```

By default, the color defined by `\arrayrulecolor` or by `rules/color` will be used, but it's still possible to change the color by using the key `color` or, of course, the key `color` inside the key `tikz` (that is to say the key `color` provided by PGF).

```

6231   \CT@arc@
6232   \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_rule_color_tl
6233     { \tl_put_right:Nx \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl { , color = \l_@@_rule_color_tl } }
6234   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
6235   \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
6236   \Q_QPpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_local_start_int }
6237   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
6238   \Q_QPpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_position_int }
6239   \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim { \pgf@x - 0.5 \l_@@_rule_width_dim }
6240   \Q_QPpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_local_end_int + 1 } }
6241   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@y
6242   \exp_args:No \tikzset \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl
6243   \use:e { \exp_not:N \draw [ \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl ] }
6244     ( \l_tmpb_dim , \l_tmpa_dim ) --
6245     ( \l_tmpb_dim , \l_@@_tmpc_dim ) ;
6246   \end { tikzpicture }
6247 }
```

The command `\@@_draw_vlines`: draws all the vertical rules excepted in the blocks, in the virtual blocks (determined by a command such as `\Cdots`) and in the corners (if the key `corners` is used).

```

6248 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_vlines:
6249 {
6250   \int_step_inline:nnn
6251     { \bool_lazy_or:nnTF \g_@@_delims_bool \l_@@_except_borders_bool 2 1 }
6252   {
6253     \bool_lazy_or:nnTF \g_@@_delims_bool \l_@@_except_borders_bool
6254       \c@jCol
6255       { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } }
6256   }
6257   {
6258     \tl_if_eq:NNF \l_@@_vlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
6259       { \clist_if_in:NnT \l_@@_vlines_clist { ##1 } }
6260       { \@@_vline:n { position = ##1 , total-width = \arrayrulewidth } }
6261   }
6262 }
```

The horizontal rules

The following command will be executed in the internal `\CodeAfter`. The argument `#1` is a list of `key=value` pairs of the form `{nicematrix/Rules}`.

```

6263 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_hline:n #1
6264 {
```

The group is for the options.

```

6265   \group_begin:
6266   \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_end_int
6267   \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_end_int \c@jCol
6268   \keys_set_known:nnN { nicematrix / Rules } { #1 } \l_@@_other_keys_tl
6269   \@@_hline_i:
6270   \group_end:
6271 }
6272 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_hline_i:
6273 {
6274   \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_local_start_int
6275   \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_local_end_int
```

\l_tmpa_t1 is the number of row and \l_tmpb_t1 the number of column. When we have found a column corresponding to a rule to draw, we note its number in \l_@@_tmpc_t1.

```

6276   \tl_set:No \l_tmpa_t1 { \int_use:N \l_@@_position_int }
6277   \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_start_int \l_@@_end_int
6278   \l_tmpb_t1
6279   {

```

The boolean \g_tmpa_bool indicates whether the small horizontal rule will be drawn. If we find that it is in a block (a real block, created by \Block or a virtual block corresponding to a dotted line, created by \Cdots, \Vdots, etc.), we will set \g_tmpa_bool to false and the small horizontal rule won't be drawn.

```

6280   \bool_gset_true:N \g_tmpa_bool
6281   \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
6282   {
6283     \c@_test_hline_in_block:nnnn ##1
6284   }
6285   \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_xdots_seq
6286   {
6287     \c@_test_hline_in_block:nnnn ##1
6288   }
6289   \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_stroken_blocks_seq
6290   {
6291     \c@_test_hline_in_stroken_block:nnnn ##1
6292   }
6293   \clist_if_empty:NF \l_@@_corners_clist \c@_test_in_corner_h:
6294   \bool_if:NTF \g_tmpa_bool
6295   {
6296     \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_local_start_int

```

We keep in memory that we have a rule to draw. \l_@@_local_start_int will be the starting row of the rule that we will have to draw.

```

6297   {
6298     \int_set:Nn \l_@@_local_start_int \l_tmpb_t1
6299   }
6300   {
6301     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_local_start_int > \c_zero_int
6302     {
6303       \int_set:Nn \l_@@_local_end_int { \l_tmpb_t1 - 1 }
6304       \c@_hline_ii:
6305       \int_zero:N \l_@@_local_start_int
6306     }
6307   }
6308   \cs_new_protected:Npn \c@_test_in_corner_h:
6309   {
6310     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_tmpa_t1 = { \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
6311     {
6312       \seq_if_in:NxT
6313       \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6314       { \int_eval:n { \l_tmpa_t1 - 1 } - \l_tmpb_t1 }
6315       { \bool_set_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6316     }
6317   {
6318     \seq_if_in:NxT
6319     \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6320     { \l_tmpa_t1 - \l_tmpb_t1 }
6321   {
6322     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_tmpa_t1 = \c_one_int
6323     { \bool_set_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6324   {
6325     \seq_if_in:NxT
6326     \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6327     { \int_eval:n { \l_tmpa_t1 - 1 } - \l_tmpb_t1 }

```

```

6328           { \bool_set_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6329       }
6330   }
6331 }
6332 }

6333 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_hline_ii:
6334 {
6335   \tl_clear:N \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl
6336   \keys_set:nV { nicematrix / RulesBis } \l_@@_other_keys_tl
6337   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_dotted_bool
6338     \@@_hline_iv:
6339   {
6340     \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl
6341       \@@_hline_iii:
6342       \@@_hline_v:
6343   }
6344 }

```

First the case of a standard rule (without the keys `dotted` and `tikz`).

```

6345 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_hline_iii:
6346 {
6347   \pgfpicture
6348   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
6349   \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
6350   \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_local_start_int }
6351   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@x
6352   \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_position_int }
6353   \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim
6354   {
6355     \pgf@y
6356     - 0.5 \l_@@_rule_width_dim
6357     +
6358     ( \arrayrulewidth * \l_@@_multiplicity_int
6359       + \doublerulesep * ( \l_@@_multiplicity_int - 1 ) ) / 2
6360   }
6361   \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_local_end_int + 1 } }
6362   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@x
6363   \bool_lazy_all:nT
6364   {
6365     { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_multiplicity_int > \c_one_int }
6366     { \cs_if_exist_p:N \CT@drsc@ }
6367     { ! \tl_if_blank_p:o \CT@drsc@ }
6368   }
6369   {
6370     \group_begin:
6371     \CT@drsc@
6372     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpd_dim
6373     {
6374       \l_tmpb_dim - ( \doublerulesep + \arrayrulewidth )
6375       * ( \l_@@_multiplicity_int - 1 )
6376     }
6377     \pgfpathrectanglecorners
6378     { \pgfpoint \l_tmpa_dim \l_tmpb_dim }
6379     { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpc_dim \l_@@_tmpd_dim }
6380     \pgfusepathqfill
6381     \group_end:
6382   }
6383   \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpa_dim \l_tmpb_dim }
6384   \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpc_dim \l_tmpb_dim }
6385   \prg_replicate:nn { \l_@@_multiplicity_int - 1 }
6386   {

```

```

6387 \dim_sub:Nn \l_tmpb_dim \arrayrulewidth
6388 \dim_sub:Nn \l_tmpb_dim \doublerulesep
6389 \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpa_dim \l_tmpb_dim }
6390 \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \l_@tmpc_dim \l_tmpb_dim }
6391 }
6392 \CT@arc@
6393 \pgfsetlinewidth { 1.1 \arrayrulewidth }
6394 \pgfsetrectcap
6395 \pgfusepathqstroke
6396 \endpgfpicture
6397 }

```

The following code is for the case of a dotted rule (with our system of rounded dots). The aim is that, by standard the dotted line fits between square brackets (`\hline` doesn't).

```

\begin{bNiceMatrix}
1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
\hline
1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
\hdottedline
1 & 2 & 3 & 4
\end{bNiceMatrix}

```

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{array}$$

But, if the user uses `margin`, the dotted line extends to have the same width as a `\hline`.

```

\begin{bNiceMatrix}[margin]
1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
\hline
1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
\hdottedline
1 & 2 & 3 & 4
\end{bNiceMatrix}

```

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{array}$$

```

6398 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_hline_iv:
6399 {
6400     \pgfpicture
6401     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
6402     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
6403     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_position_int }
6404     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim { \pgf@y - 0.5 \l_@@_rule_width_dim }
6405     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \l_@@_y_initial_dim
6406     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_local_start_int }
6407     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x
6408     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_local_start_int = \c_one_int
6409     {
6410         \dim_sub:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_left_margin_dim
6411         \bool_if:NF \g_@@_delims_bool
6412             { \dim_sub:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \arraycolsep }

```

For reasons purely aesthetic, we do an adjustment in the case of a rounded bracket. The correction by 0.5 `\l_@@_xdots_inter_dim` is *ad hoc* for a better result.

```

6413     \tl_if_eq:NnF \g_@@_left_delim_tl (
6414         { \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim { 0.5 \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim } }
6415     )
6416     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_local_end_int + 1 } }
6417     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x
6418     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_local_end_int = \c@jCol
6419     {
6420         \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim \l_@@_right_margin_dim
6421         \bool_if:NF \g_@@_delims_bool
6422             { \dim_add:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim \arraycolsep }
6423         \tl_if_eq:NnF \g_@@_right_delim_tl )
6424             { \dim_gsub:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim { 0.5 \l_@@_xdots_inter_dim } }
6425     }
6426     \CT@arc@
6427     \@@_draw_line:

```

```

6428     \endpgfpicture
6429 }

```

The following code is for the case when the user uses the key `tikz` (in the definition of a customized rule by using the key `custom-line`).

```

6430 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_hline_v:
6431 {
6432     \begin{tikzpicture}

```

By default, the color defined by `\arrayrulecolor` or by `rules/color` will be used, but it's still possible to change the color by using the key `color` or, of course, the key `color` inside the key `tikz` (that is to say the key `color` provided by PGF.

```

6433     \CT@arc@  

6434     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_rule_color_tl  

6435         { \tl_put_right:Nx \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl { , color = \l_@@_rule_color_tl } }  

6436     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue  

6437     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse  

6438     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_use:N \l_@@_local_start_int }  

6439     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@x  

6440     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_use:N \l_@@_position_int }  

6441     \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim { \pgf@y - 0.5 \l_@@_rule_width_dim }  

6442     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_local_end_int + 1 } }  

6443     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@x  

6444     \exp_args:No \tikzset \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl  

6445     \use:e { \exp_not:N \draw [ \l_@@_tikz_rule_tl ] }  

6446         ( \l_tmpa_dim , \l_tmpb_dim ) --  

6447         ( \l_@@_tmpc_dim , \l_tmpb_dim ) ;  

6448     \end{tikzpicture}  

6449 }

```

The command `\@@_draw_hlines:` draws all the horizontal rules excepted in the blocks (even the virtual blocks determined by commands such as `\Cdots` and in the corners — if the key `corners` is used).

```

6450 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_hlines:
6451 {
6452     \int_step_inline:nnn
6453         { \bool_lazy_or:nnTF \g_@@_delims_bool \l_@@_except_borders_bool 2 1 }
6454         {
6455             \bool_lazy_or:nnTF \g_@@_delims_bool \l_@@_except_borders_bool
6456                 \c@iRow
6457                 { \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
6458         }
6459         {
6460             \tl_if_eq:NNF \l_@@_hlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
6461                 { \clist_if_in:NnT \l_@@_hlines_clist { ##1 } }
6462                 { \@@_hline:n { position = ##1 , total-width = \arrayrulewidth } }
6463         }
6464 }

```

The command `\@@_Hline:` will be linked to `\Hline` in the environments of `nicematrix`.

```

6465 \cs_set:Npn \@@_Hline: { \noalign \bgroup \@@_Hline_i:n { 1 } }

```

The argument of the command `\@@_Hline_i:n` is the number of successive `\Hline` found.

```

6466 \cs_set:Npn \@@_Hline_i:n #1
6467 {
6468     \peek_remove_spaces:n
6469     {
6470         \peek_meaning:NTF \Hline
6471             { \@@_Hline_ii:nn { #1 + 1 } }
6472             { \@@_Hline_iii:n { #1 } }
6473     }
6474 }

```

```

6475 \cs_set:Npn \@@_Hline_ii:nn #1 #2 { \@@_Hline_i:n { #1 } }
6476 \cs_set:Npn \@@_Hline_iii:n #1
6477 { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Hline_iv:nn { #1 } } }
6478 \cs_set:Npn \@@_Hline_iv:nn #1 #2
6479 {
6480     \@@_compute_rule_width:n { multiplicity = #1 , #2 }
6481     \skip_vertical:N \l_@@_rule_width_dim
6482     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
6483     {
6484         \@@_hline:n
6485         {
6486             multiplicity = #1 ,
6487             position = \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } ,
6488             total-width = \dim_use:N \l_@@_rule_width_dim ,
6489             #2
6490         }
6491     }
6492     \egroup
6493 }

```

Customized rules defined by the final user

The final user can define a customized rule by using the key `custom-line` in `\NiceMatrixOptions`. That key takes in as value a list of `key=value` pairs.

The following command will create the customized rule (it is executed when the final user uses the key `custom-line`, for example in `\NiceMatrixOptions`).

```

6494 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_custom_line:n #1
6495 {
6496     \str_clear_new:N \l_@@_command_str
6497     \str_clear_new:N \l_@@_ccommand_str
6498     \str_clear_new:N \l_@@_letter_str
6499     \tl_clear_new:N \l_@@_other_keys_tl
6500     \keys_set_known:nnN { nicematrix / custom-line } { #1 } \l_@@_other_keys_tl

```

If the final user only wants to draw horizontal rules, he does not need to specify a letter (for the vertical rules in the preamble of the array). On the other hand, if he only wants to draw vertical rules, he does not need to define a command (which is the tool to draw horizontal rules in the array). Of course, a definition of custom lines with no letter and no command would be point-less.

```

6501 \bool_lazy_all:nTF
6502 {
6503     { \str_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_letter_str }
6504     { \str_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_command_str }
6505     { \str_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_ccommand_str }
6506 }
6507 { \@@_error:n { No~letter~and~no~command } }
6508 { \exp_args:No \@@_custom_line_i:n \l_@@_other_keys_tl }
6509 }

6510 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / custom-line }
6511 {
6512     letter .str_set:N = \l_@@_letter_str ,
6513     letter .value_required:n = true ,
6514     command .str_set:N = \l_@@_command_str ,
6515     command .value_required:n = true ,
6516     ccommand .str_set:N = \l_@@_ccommand_str ,
6517     ccommand .value_required:n = true ,
6518 }

6519 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_custom_line_i:n #1
6520 {

```

The following flags will be raised when the keys `tikz`, `dotted` and `color` are used (in the `custom-line`).

```

6521  \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_tikz_rule_bool
6522  \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_dotted_rule_bool
6523  \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_color_bool

6524  \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / custom-line-bis } { #1 }
6525  \bool_if:NT \l_@@_tikz_rule_bool
6526  {
6527    \IfPackageLoadedTF { tikz }
6528    {
6529      { \@@_error:n { tikz-in~custom-line~without~tikz } }
6530      \bool_if:NT \l_@@_color_bool
6531        { \@@_error:n { color-in~custom-line~with~tikz } }
6532    }
6533  \bool_if:NT \l_@@_dotted_rule_bool
6534  {
6535    \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_multiplicity_int > \c_one_int
6536      { \@@_error:n { key-multiplicity-with-dotted } }
6537    }
6538  \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_letter_str
6539  {
6540    \int_compare:nTF { \str_count:N \l_@@_letter_str != 1 }
6541      { \@@_error:n { Several~letters } }
6542    {
6543      \exp_args:NnV \tl_if_in:NnTF
6544        \c_@@_forbidden_letters_str \l_@@_letter_str
6545        { \@@_error:ne { Forbidden-letter } \l_@@_letter_str }
6546    }

```

During the analyse of the preamble provided by the final user, our automaton, for the letter corresponding at the custom line, will directly use the following command that you define in the main hash table of TeX.

```

6547  \cs_set:cpn { @@ _ \l_@@_letter_str } ##1
6548    { \@@_v_custom_line:n { #1 } }
6549  }
6550  }
6551  }
6552  \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_command_str { \@@_h_custom_line:n { #1 } }
6553  \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_ccommand_str { \@@_c_custom_line:n { #1 } }
6554 }

6555 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_forbidden_letters_tl { lcrpmbVX|()[]!@> }
6556 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_forbidden_letters_str { lcrpmbVX|()[]!@> }

```

The previous command `\@@_custom_line_i:n` uses the following set of keys. However, the whole definition of the customized lines (as provided by the final user as argument of `custom-line`) will also be used further with other sets of keys (for instance `{nicematrix/Rules}`). That's why the following set of keys has some keys which are no-op.

```

6557 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / custom-line-bis }
6558  {
6559    multiplicity .int_set:N = \l_@@_multiplicity_int ,
6560    multiplicity .initial:n = 1 ,
6561    multiplicity .value_required:n = true ,
6562    color .code:n = \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_color_bool ,
6563    color .value_required:n = true ,
6564    tikz .code:n = \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_tikz_rule_bool ,
6565    tikz .value_required:n = true ,
6566    dotted .code:n = \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_dotted_rule_bool ,
6567    dotted .value_forbidden:n = true ,
6568    total-width .code:n = { } ,
6569    total-width .value_required:n = true ,
6570    width .code:n = { } ,
6571    width .value_required:n = true ,

```

```

6572     sep-color .code:n = { } ,
6573     sep-color .value_required:n = true ,
6574     unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-custom-line }
6575 }
```

The following keys will indicate whether the keys `dotted`, `tikz` and `color` are used in the use of a `custom-line`.

```

6576 \bool_new:N \l_@@_dotted_rule_bool
6577 \bool_new:N \l_@@_tikz_rule_bool
6578 \bool_new:N \l_@@_color_bool
```

The following keys are used to determine the total width of the line (including the spaces on both sides of the line). The key `width` is deprecated and has been replaced by the key `total-width`.

```

6579 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / custom-line-width }
6580 {
6581     multiplicity .int_set:N = \l_@@_multiplicity_int ,
6582     multiplicity .initial:n = 1 ,
6583     multiplicity .value_required:n = true ,
6584     tikz .code:n = \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_tikz_rule_bool ,
6585     total-width .code:n = \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_rule_width_dim { #1 }
6586             \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_total_width_bool ,
6587     total-width .value_required:n = true ,
6588     width .meta:n = { total-width = #1 } ,
6589     dotted .code:n = \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_dotted_rule_bool ,
6590 }
```

The following command will create the command that the final user will use in its array to draw an horizontal rule (hence the ‘`h`’ in the name) with the full width of the array. `#1` is the whole set of keys to pass to the command `\@@_hline:n` (which is in the internal `\CodeAfter`).

```

6591 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_h_custom_line:n #1
6592 {
```

We use `\cs_set:cpn` and not `\cs_new:cpn` because we want a local definition. Moreover, the command must *not* be protected since it begins with `\noalign` (which is in `\Hline`).

```

6593 \cs_set:cpn { nicematrix - \l_@@_command_str } { \Hline [ #1 ] }
6594 \seq_put_left:No \l_@@_custom_line_commands_seq \l_@@_command_str
6595 }
```

The following command will create the command that the final user will use in its array to draw an horizontal rule on only some of the columns of the array (hence the letter `c` as in `\cline`). `#1` is the whole set of keys to pass to the command `\@@_hline:n` (which is in the internal `\CodeAfter`).

```

6596 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_c_custom_line:n #1
6597 {
```

Here, we need an expandable command since it begins with an `\noalign`.

```

6598 \exp_args:Nc \NewExpandableDocumentCommand
6599   { nicematrix - \l_@@_ccommand_str }
6600   { O { } m }
6601   {
6602     \noalign
6603     {
6604       \@@_compute_rule_width:n { #1 , ##1 }
6605       \skip_vertical:n { \l_@@_rule_width_dim }
6606       \clist_map_inline:nn
6607         { ##2 }
6608         { \@@_c_custom_line_i:nn { #1 , ##1 } { #####1 } }
6609     }
6610   }
6611 \seq_put_left:No \l_@@_custom_line_commands_seq \l_@@_ccommand_str
6612 }
```

The first argument is the list of key-value pairs characteristic of the line. The second argument is the specification of columns for the `\cline` with the syntax *a-b*.

```

6613 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_c_custom_line_i:nn #1 #2
6614 {
6615   \str_if_in:nnTF { #2 } { - }
6616   { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #2 \q_stop }
6617   { \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #2 - #2 \q_stop }
6618   \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
6619   {
6620     \@@_hline:n
6621     {
6622       #1 ,
6623       start = \l_tmpa_tl ,
6624       end = \l_tmpb_tl ,
6625       position = \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } ,
6626       total-width = \dim_use:N \l_@@_rule_width_dim
6627     }
6628   }
6629 }

6630 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_compute_rule_width:n #1
6631 {
6632   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_tikz_rule_bool
6633   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_total_width_bool
6634   \bool_set_false:N \l_@@_dotted_rule_bool
6635   \keys_set_known:nn { nicematrix / custom-line-width } { #1 }
6636   \bool_if:NF \l_@@_total_width_bool
6637   {
6638     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_dotted_rule_bool
6639     { \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_rule_width_dim { 2 \l_@@_xdots_radius_dim } }
6640     {
6641       \bool_if:NF \l_@@_tikz_rule_bool
6642       {
6643         \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_rule_width_dim
6644         {
6645           \arrayrulewidth * \l_@@_multiplicity_int
6646           + \doublerulesep * ( \l_@@_multiplicity_int - 1 )
6647         }
6648       }
6649     }
6650   }
6651 }

6652 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_v_custom_line:n #1
6653 {
6654   \@@_compute_rule_width:n { #1 }

```

In the following line, the `\dim_use:N` is mandatory since we do an expansion.

```

6655 \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_array_preamble_tl
6656   { \exp_not:N ! { \skip_horizontal:n { \dim_use:N \l_@@_rule_width_dim } } }
6657 \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
6658 {
6659   \@@_vline:n
6660   {
6661     #1 ,
6662     position = \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + 1 } ,
6663     total-width = \dim_use:N \l_@@_rule_width_dim
6664   }
6665 }
6666 \@@_rec_preamble:n
6667 }

6668 \@@_custom_line:n
6669 { letter = : , command = hdottedline , ccommand = cdottedline, dotted }

```

The key hvlines

The following command tests whether the current position in the array (given by `\l_tmpa_tl` for the row and `\l_tmpb_tl` for the column) would provide an horizontal rule towards the right in the block delimited by the four arguments #1, #2, #3 and #4. If this rule would be in the block (it must not be drawn), the boolean `\l_tmpa_bool` is set to `false`.

```

6670 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_hline_in_block:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
6671 {
6672     \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_tl > { #1 }
6673     {
6674         \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_tl < { #3 + 1 }
6675         {
6676             \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl > { #2 - 1 }
6677             {
6678                 \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl < { #4 + 1 }
6679                 { \bool_gset_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6680             }
6681         }
6682     }
6683 }
```

The same for vertical rules.

```

6684 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_vline_in_block:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
6685 {
6686     \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_tl > { #1 - 1 }
6687     {
6688         \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_tl < { #3 + 1 }
6689         {
6690             \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl > { #2 }
6691             {
6692                 \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl < { #4 + 1 }
6693                 { \bool_gset_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6694             }
6695         }
6696     }
6697 }
```



```

6698 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_hline_in_stroken_block:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
6699 {
6700     \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl > { #2 - 1 }
6701     {
6702         \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl < { #4 + 1 }
6703         {
6704             \int_compare:nNnTF \l_tmpa_tl = { #1 }
6705             { \bool_gset_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6706             {
6707                 \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_tl = { #3 + 1 }
6708                 { \bool_gset_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6709             }
6710         }
6711     }
6712 }
```



```

6713 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_vline_in_stroken_block:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
6714 {
6715     \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_tl > { #1 - 1 }
6716     {
6717         \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_tl < { #3 + 1 }
6718         {
6719             \int_compare:nNnTF \l_tmpb_tl = { #2 }
6720             { \bool_gset_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6721             {
6722                 \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl = { #4 + 1 }
6723                 { \bool_gset_false:N \g_tmpa_bool }
6724             }
6725 }
```

```

6725     }
6726   }
6727 }
```

24 The empty corners

When the key `corners` is raised, the rules are not drawn in the corners; they are not colored and `\TikzEveryCell` does not apply. Of course, we have to compute the corners before we begin to draw the rules.

```

6728 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_compute_corners:
6729 {
```

The sequence `\l_@@_corners_cells_seq` will be the sequence of all the empty cells (and not in a block) considered in the corners of the array.

```

6730   \seq_clear_new:N \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6731   \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_corners_clist
6732   {
6733     \str_case:nnF { ##1 }
6734     {
6735       { NW }
6736       { \@@_compute_a_corner:nnnnnn 1 1 1 1 \c@iRow \c@jCol }
6737       { NE }
6738       { \@@_compute_a_corner:nnnnnn 1 \c@jCol 1 { -1 } \c@iRow 1 }
6739       { SW }
6740       { \@@_compute_a_corner:nnnnnn \c@iRow 1 { -1 } 1 1 \c@jCol }
6741       { SE }
6742       { \@@_compute_a_corner:nnnnnn \c@iRow \c@jCol { -1 } { -1 } 1 1 }
6743     }
6744     { \@@_error:nn { bad-corner } { ##1 } }
6745   }
```

Even if the user has used the key `corners` the list of cells in the corners may be empty.

```

6746 \seq_if_empty:NF \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6747 {
```

You write on the `aux` file the list of the cells which are in the (empty) corners because you need that information in the `\CodeBefore` since the commands which color the `rows`, `columns` and `cells` must not color the cells in the corners.

```

6748 \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_aux_tl
6749 {
6750   \seq_set_from_clist:Nn \exp_not:N \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6751   { \seq_use:Nnnn \l_@@_corners_cells_seq , , , }
6752 }
6753 }
```

“Computing a corner” is determining all the empty cells (which are not in a block) that belong to that corner. These cells will be added to the sequence `\l_@@_corners_cells_seq`.

The six arguments of `\@@_compute_a_corner:nnnnnn` are as follow:

- #1 and #2 are the number of row and column of the cell which is actually in the corner;
- #3 and #4 are the steps in rows and the step in columns when moving from the corner;
- #5 is the number of the final row when scanning the rows from the corner;
- #6 is the number of the final column when scanning the columns from the corner.

```

6755 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_compute_a_corner:nnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6
6756 {
```

For the explanations and the name of the variables, we consider that we are computing the left-upper corner.

First, we try to determine which is the last empty cell (and not in a block: we won't add that precision any longer) in the column of number 1. The flag `\l_tmpa_bool` will be raised when a non-empty cell is found.

```

6757 \bool_set_false:N \l_tmpa_bool
6758 \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_last_empty_row_int
6759 \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_empty_row_int { #1 }
6760 \int_step_inline:nnnn { #1 } { #3 } { #5 }
6761 {
6762     \@@_test_if_cell_in_a_block:nn { ##1 } { \int_eval:n { #2 } }
6763     \bool_lazy_or:mnTF
6764     {
6765         \cs_if_exist_p:c
6766         { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - \int_eval:n { #2 } }
6767     }
6768     \l_tmpb_bool
6769     { \bool_set_true:N \l_tmpa_bool }
6770     {
6771         \bool_if:NF \l_tmpa_bool
6772         { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_empty_row_int { ##1 } }
6773     }
6774 }
```

Now, you determine the last empty cell in the row of number 1.

```

6775 \bool_set_false:N \l_tmpa_bool
6776 \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_last_empty_column_int
6777 \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_empty_column_int { #2 }
6778 \int_step_inline:nnnn { #2 } { #4 } { #6 }
6779 {
6780     \@@_test_if_cell_in_a_block:nn { \int_eval:n { #1 } } { ##1 }
6781     \bool_lazy_or:mnTF
6782     \l_tmpb_bool
6783     {
6784         \cs_if_exist_p:c
6785         { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - \int_eval:n { #1 } - ##1 }
6786     }
6787     { \bool_set_true:N \l_tmpa_bool }
6788     {
6789         \bool_if:NF \l_tmpa_bool
6790         { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_empty_column_int { ##1 } }
6791     }
6792 }
```

Now, we loop over the rows.

```

6793 \int_step_inline:nnnn { #1 } { #3 } \l_@@_last_empty_row_int
6794 {
```

We treat the row number `##1` with another loop.

```

6795 \bool_set_false:N \l_tmpa_bool
6796 \int_step_inline:nnnn { #2 } { #4 } \l_@@_last_empty_column_int
6797 {
6798     \@@_test_if_cell_in_a_block:nn { ##1 } { #####1 }
6799     \bool_lazy_or:mnTF
6800     \l_tmpb_bool
6801     {
6802         \cs_if_exist_p:c
6803         { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - #####1 }
6804     }
6805     { \bool_set_true:N \l_tmpa_bool }
6806     {
6807         \bool_if:NF \l_tmpa_bool
6808         {
6809             \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_empty_column_int { #####1 }
```

```

6810           \seq_put_right:Nn
6811           \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
6812           { ##1 - #####1 }
6813       }
6814   }
6815 }
6816 }
6817 }

```

The following macro tests whether a cell is in (at least) one of the blocks of the array (or in a cell with a `\diagbox`).

The flag `\l_tmpb_bool` will be raised if the cell #1-#2 is in a block (or in a cell with a `\diagbox`).

```

6818 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_cell_in_a_block:nn #1 #2
6819 {
6820     \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int { #1 }
6821     \int_set:Nn \l_tmpb_int { #2 }
6822     \bool_set_false:N \l_tmpb_bool
6823     \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
6824     { \@@_test_if_cell_in_block:nnnnnn \l_tmpa_int \l_tmpb_int ##1 }
6825 }

6826 \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_test_if_cell_in_block:nnnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6 #7
6827 {
6828     \int_compare:nNnF { #3 } > { #1 }
6829     {
6830         \int_compare:nNnF { #1 } > { #5 }
6831         {
6832             \int_compare:nNnF { #4 } > { #2 }
6833             {
6834                 \int_compare:nNnF { #2 } > { #6 }
6835                 { \bool_set_true:N \l_tmpb_bool }
6836             }
6837         }
6838     }
6839 }

```

25 The environment `{NiceMatrixBlock}`

The following flag will be raised when all the columns of the environments of the block must have the same width in “auto” mode.

```
6840 \bool_new:N \l_@@_block_auto_columns_width_bool
```

Up to now, there is only one option available for the environment `{NiceMatrixBlock}`.

```

6841 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / NiceMatrixBlock }
6842 {
6843     auto-columns-width .code:n =
6844     {
6845         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_block_auto_columns_width_bool
6846         \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_max_cell_width_dim
6847         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_auto_columns_width_bool
6848     }
6849 }

6850 \NewDocumentEnvironment { NiceMatrixBlock } { ! O{ } }
6851 {
6852     \int_gincr:N \g_@@_NiceMatrixBlock_int
6853     \dim_zero:N \l_@@_columns_width_dim

```

```

6854 \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / NiceMatrixBlock } { #1 }
6855 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_block_auto_columns_width_bool
6856 {
6857   \cs_if_exist:cT
6858     { @@_max_cell_width_ \int_use:N \g_@@_NiceMatrixBlock_int }
6859   {
6860     % is \exp_args:NNe mandatory?
6861     \exp_args:NNe \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_columns_width_dim
6862     {
6863       \use:c
6864         { @@_max_cell_width_ \int_use:N \g_@@_NiceMatrixBlock_int }
6865     }
6866   }
6867 }
6868 }

```

At the end of the environment `{NiceMatrixBlock}`, we write in the main aux file instructions for the column width of all the environments of the block (that's why we have stored the number of the first environment of the block in the counter `\l_@@_first_env_block_int`).

```

6869 {
6870   \legacy_if:nTF { measuring@ }

```

If `{NiceMatrixBlock}` is used in an environment of `amsmath` such as `{align}`: cf. question 694957 on TeX StackExchange. The most important line in that case is the following one.

```

6871 { \int_gdecr:N \g_@@_NiceMatrixBlock_int }
6872 {
6873   \bool_if:NT \l_@@_block_auto_columns_width_bool
6874   {
6875     \iow_shipout:Nn \omainaux \ExplSyntaxOn
6876     \iow_shipout:Nx \omainaux
6877     {
6878       \cs_gset:cpn
6879         { @@ _ max _ cell _ width _ \int_use:N \g_@@_NiceMatrixBlock_int }

```

For technical reasons, we have to include the width of a potential rule on the right side of the cells.

```

6880   { \dim_eval:n { \g_@@_max_cell_width_dim + \arrayrulewidth } }
6881   }
6882   \iow_shipout:Nn \omainaux \ExplSyntaxOff
6883 }
6884 }
6885 \ignorespacesafterend
6886 }

```

26 The extra nodes

First, two variants of the functions `\dim_min:nn` and `\dim_max:nn`.

```

6887 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \dim_min:nn { v n }
6888 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \dim_max:nn { v n }

```

The following command is called in `\@@_use_arraybox_with_notes_c`: just before the construction of the blocks (if the creation of medium nodes is required, medium nodes are also created for the blocks and that construction uses the standard medium nodes).

```

6889 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_extra_nodes:
6890 {
6891   \bool_if:nTF \l_@@_medium_nodes_bool
6892   {
6893     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_large_nodes_bool
6894       \@@_create_medium_and_large_nodes:
6895       \@@_create_medium_nodes:
6896   }

```

```

6897     { \bool_if:NT \l_@@_large_nodes_bool \@@_create_large_nodes: }
6898 }
```

We have three macros of creation of nodes: `\@@_create_medium_nodes:`, `\@@_create_large_nodes:` and `\@@_create_medium_and_large_nodes:`.

We have to compute the mathematical coordinates of the “medium nodes”. These mathematical coordinates are also used to compute the mathematical coordinates of the “large nodes”. That’s why we write a command `\@@_computations_for_medium_nodes:` to do these computations.

The command `\@@_computations_for_medium_nodes:` must be used in a `{pgfpicture}`.

For each row i , we compute two dimensions `l_@@_row_i_min_dim` and `l_@@_row_i_max_dim`. The dimension `l_@@_row_i_min_dim` is the minimal y -value of all the cells of the row i . The dimension `l_@@_row_i_max_dim` is the maximal y -value of all the cells of the row i .

Similarly, for each column j , we compute two dimensions `l_@@_column_j_min_dim` and `l_@@_column_j_max_dim`. The dimension `l_@@_column_j_min_dim` is the minimal x -value of all the cells of the column j . The dimension `l_@@_column_j_max_dim` is the maximal x -value of all the cells of the column j .

Since these dimensions will be computed as maximum or minimum, we initialize them to `\c_max_dim` or `-\c_max_dim`.

```

6899 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_computations_for_medium_nodes:
6900 {
6901     \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int \@@_i:
6902     {
6903         \dim_zero_new:c { l_@@_row_\@@_i: _min_dim }
6904         \dim_set_eq:cN { l_@@_row_\@@_i: _min_dim } \c_max_dim
6905         \dim_zero_new:c { l_@@_row_\@@_i: _max_dim }
6906         \dim_set:cn { l_@@_row_\@@_i: _max_dim } { - \c_max_dim }
6907     }
6908     \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_first_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int \@@_j:
6909     {
6910         \dim_zero_new:c { l_@@_column_\@@_j: _min_dim }
6911         \dim_set_eq:cN { l_@@_column_\@@_j: _min_dim } \c_max_dim
6912         \dim_zero_new:c { l_@@_column_\@@_j: _max_dim }
6913         \dim_set:cn { l_@@_column_\@@_j: _max_dim } { - \c_max_dim }
6914     }
}
```

We begin the two nested loops over the rows and the columns of the array.

```

6915 \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int \@@_i:
6916 {
6917     \int_step_variable:nnNn
6918         \l_@@_first_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int \@@_j:
```

If the cell $(i-j)$ is empty or an implicit cell (that is to say a cell after implicit ampersands `&`) we don’t update the dimensions we want to compute.

```

6919 {
6920     \cs_if_exist:cT
6921         { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - \@@_i: - \@@_j: }
```

We retrieve the coordinates of the anchor `south west` of the (normal) node of the cell $(i-j)$. They will be stored in `\pgf@x` and `\pgf@y`.

```

6922 {
6923     \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - \@@_i: - \@@_j: } { south-west }
6924     \dim_set:cn { l_@@_row_\@@_i: _min_dim}
6925         { \dim_min:vn { l_@@_row_\@@_i: _min_dim } \pgf@y }
6926     \seq_if_in:NxF \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq { \@@_i: - \@@_j: }
6927         {
6928             \dim_set:cn { l_@@_column_\@@_j: _min_dim}
6929                 { \dim_min:vn { l_@@_column_\@@_j: _min_dim } \pgf@x }
6930         }
```

We retrieve the coordinates of the anchor `north east` of the (normal) node of the cell $(i-j)$. They will be stored in `\pgf@x` and `\pgf@y`.

```

6931           \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - \@@_i: - \@@_j: } { north-east }
6932           \dim_set:cn { l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ max_dim }
6933             { \dim_max:vn { l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ max_dim } \pgf@y }
6934             \seq_if_in:NxF \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq { \@@_i: - \@@_j: }
6935               {
6936                 \dim_set:cn { l_@@_column _ \@@_j: _ max_dim }
6937                   { \dim_max:vn { l_@@_column _ \@@_j: _ max_dim } \pgf@x }
6938               }
6939             }
6940           }
6941       }

```

Now, we have to deal with empty rows or empty columns since we don't have created nodes in such rows and columns.

```

6942   \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int \@@_i:
6943   {
6944     \dim_compare:nNnT
6945       { \dim_use:c { l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ min _ dim } } = \c_max_dim
6946       {
6947         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \@@_i: - base }
6948         \dim_set:cn { l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ max _ dim } \pgf@y
6949         \dim_set:cn { l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ min _ dim } \pgf@y
6950       }
6951   }
6952   \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_first_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int \@@_j:
6953   {
6954     \dim_compare:nNnT
6955       { \dim_use:c { l_@@_column _ \@@_j: _ min _ dim } } = \c_max_dim
6956       {
6957         \@@_qpoint:n { col - \@@_j: }
6958         \dim_set:cn { l_@@_column _ \@@_j: _ max _ dim } \pgf@y
6959         \dim_set:cn { l_@@_column _ \@@_j: _ min _ dim } \pgf@y
6960       }
6961   }
6962 }

```

Here is the command `\@@_create_medium_nodes:`. When this command is used, the “medium nodes” are created.

```

6963 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_medium_nodes:
6964   {
6965     \pgfpicture
6966       \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
6967       \pgfrelevantforpicturesizefalse
6968       \@@_computations_for_medium_nodes:

```

Now, we can create the “medium nodes”. We use a command `\@@_create_nodes:` because this command will also be used for the creation of the “large nodes”.

```

6969 \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_suffix_tl { -medium }
6970 \@@_create_nodes:
6971 \endpgfpicture
6972 }

```

The command `\@@_create_large_nodes:` must be used when we want to create only the “large nodes” and not the medium ones¹⁴. However, the computation of the mathematical coordinates of the “large nodes” needs the computation of the mathematical coordinates of the “medium nodes”. Hence, we use first `\@@_computations_for_medium_nodes:` and then the command `\@@_computations_for_large_nodes:`.

¹⁴If we want to create both, we have to use `\@@_create_medium_and_large_nodes:`

```

6973 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_large_nodes:
6974 {
6975     \pgfpicture
6976         \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
6977         \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
6978         \@@_computations_for_medium_nodes:
6979         \@@_computations_for_large_nodes:
6980         \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_suffix_tl { - large }
6981         \@@_create_nodes:
6982     \endpgfpicture
6983 }
6984 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_medium_and_large_nodes:
6985 {
6986     \pgfpicture
6987         \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
6988         \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
6989         \@@_computations_for_medium_nodes:

```

Now, we can create the “medium nodes”. We use a command `\@@_create_nodes:` because this command will also be used for the creation of the “large nodes”.

```

6990     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_suffix_tl { - medium }
6991     \@@_create_nodes:
6992     \@@_computations_for_large_nodes:
6993     \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_suffix_tl { - large }
6994     \@@_create_nodes:
6995     \endpgfpicture
6996 }

```

For “large nodes”, the exterior rows and columns don’t interfer. That’s why the loop over the columns will start at 1 and stop at `\c@jCol` (and not `\g_@@_col_total_int`). Idem for the rows.

```

6997 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_computations_for_large_nodes:
6998 {
6999     \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_first_row_int \c_one_int
7000     \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_first_col_int \c_one_int

```

We have to change the values of all the dimensions `\l_@@_row_i_min_dim`, `\l_@@_row_i_max_dim`, `\l_@@_column_j_min_dim` and `\l_@@_column_j_max_dim`.

```

7001     \int_step_variable:nNn { \c@iRow - 1 } \@@_i:
7002     {
7003         \dim_set:cn { \l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ min _ dim } +
7004         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ max _ dim } -
7005         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } +
7006         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } -
7007         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } +
7008         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } -
7009         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } +
7010         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } -
7011         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } +
7012         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } -
7013         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } +
7014         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } -
7015         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } +
7016         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } -
7017         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } +
7018         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } -
7019         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } +
7020         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } -
7021         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } +
7022         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } -
7023         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } +
7024         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } -
7025         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ min _ dim } +
7026         \dim_use:c { \l_@@_row _ \int_eval:n { \@@_i: + 1 } _ max _ dim } -
7027     }

```

Here, we have to use `\dim_sub:cn` because of the number 1 in the name.

```

7028   \dim_sub:cn
7029     { l_@@_column _ 1 _ min _ dim }
7030     \l_@@_left_margin_dim
7031   \dim_add:cn
7032     { l_@@_column _ \int_use:N \c@jCol _ max _ dim }
7033     \l_@@_right_margin_dim
7034 }
```

The command `\@@_create_nodes:` is used twice: for the construction of the “medium nodes” and for the construction of the “large nodes”. The nodes are constructed with the value of all the dimensions `l_@@_row_i_min_dim`, `l_@@_row_i_max_dim`, `l_@@_column_j_min_dim` and `l_@@_column_j_max_dim`. Between the construction of the “medium nodes” and the “large nodes”, the values of these dimensions are changed.

The function also uses `\l_@@_suffix_tl` (-medium or -large).

```

7035 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_create_nodes:
7036 {
7037   \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int \@@_i:
7038   {
7039     \int_step_variable:nnNn \l_@@_first_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int \@@_j:
7040     {
7041 }
```

We draw the rectangular node for the cell (`\@@_i-\@@_j`).

```

7041   \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnnn
7042     { \@@_env: - \@@_i: - \@@_j: \l_@@_suffix_tl }
7043     { \dim_use:c { l_@@_column_ \@@_j: _min_dim } }
7044     { \dim_use:c { l_@@_row_ \@@_i: _min_dim } }
7045     { \dim_use:c { l_@@_column_ \@@_j: _max_dim } }
7046     { \dim_use:c { l_@@_row_ \@@_i: _max_dim } }
7047   \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
7048   {
7049     \pgfnodealias
7050       { \l_@@_name_str - \@@_i: - \@@_j: \l_@@_suffix_tl }
7051       { \@@_env: - \@@_i: - \@@_j: \l_@@_suffix_tl }
7052   }
7053 }
7054 }
```

Now, we create the nodes for the cells of the `\multicolumn`. We recall that we have stored in `\g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq` the list of the cells where a `\multicolumn{n}{...}{...}` with $n > 1$ was issued and in `\g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq` the correspondant values of n .

```

7055   \seq_map_pairwise_function:NNN
7056   \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq
7057   \g_@@_multicolumn_sizes_seq
7058   \@@_node_for_multicolumn:nn
7059 }

7060 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_extract_coords_values: #1 - #2 \q_stop
7061 {
7062   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \@@_i: { #1 }
7063   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \@@_j: { #2 }
7064 }
```

The command `\@@_node_for_multicolumn:nn` takes two arguments. The first is the position of the cell where the command `\multicolumn{n}{...}{...}` was issued in the format $i-j$ and the second is the value of n (the length of the “multi-cell”).

```

7065 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_node_for_multicolumn:nn #1 #2
7066 {
7067   \@@_extract_coords_values: #1 \q_stop
7068   \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnnn
7069   { \@@_env: - \@@_i: - \@@_j: \l_@@_suffix_tl }
7070   { \dim_use:c { l_@@_column_ \@@_j: _min _ dim } }
```

```

7071 { \dim_use:c { l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ min _ dim } }
7072 { \dim_use:c { l_@@_column _ \int_eval:n { \@@_j: +#2-1 } _ max _ dim } }
7073 { \dim_use:c { l_@@_row _ \@@_i: _ max _ dim } }
7074 \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
7075 {
7076     \pgfnodealias
7077         { \l_@@_name_str - \@@_i: - \@@_j: \l_@@_suffix_tl }
7078         { \int_use:N \g_@@_env_int - \@@_i: - \@@_j: \l_@@_suffix_tl}
7079 }
7080 }
```

27 The blocks

The following code deals with the command `\Block`. This command has no direct link with the environment `{NiceMatrixBlock}`.

The options of the command `\Block` will be analyzed first in the cell of the array (and once again when the block will be put in the array). Here is the set of keys for the first pass (in the cell of the array).

```

7081 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / Block / FirstPass }
7082 {
7083     j .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str j
7084         \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_p_block_bool ,
7085     j .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7086     l .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str l ,
7087     l .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7088     r .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str r ,
7089     r .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7090     c .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str c ,
7091     c .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7092     L .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str l ,
7093     L .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7094     R .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str r ,
7095     R .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7096     C .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str c ,
7097     C .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7098     t .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str t ,
7099     t .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7100     T .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str T ,
7101     T .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7102     b .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str b ,
7103     b .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7104     B .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str B ,
7105     B .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7106     m .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str c ,
7107     m .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7108     v-center .meta:n = m ,
7109     p .code:n = \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_p_block_bool ,
7110     p .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7111     color .code:n =
7112         \@@_color:n { #1 }
7113     \tl_set_rescan:Nnn
7114         \l_@@_draw_tl
7115         { \char_set_catcode_other:N ! }
7116         { #1 } ,
7117     color .value_required:n = true ,
7118     respect-arraystretch .code:n =
7119         \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_reset_arraystretch: \prg_do_nothing: ,
7120     respect-arraystretch .value_forbidden:n = true ,
```

```
7121 }
```

The following command `\@@_Block:` will be linked to `\Block` in the environments of `nicematrix`. We define it with `\NewExpandableDocumentCommand` because it has an optional argument between `<` and `>`. It's mandatory to use an expandable command.

```
7122 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Block: { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_Block_i: } }
```

```
7123 \NewExpandableDocumentCommand \@@_Block_i: { m m D < > { } +m }
```

```
7124 {
```

If the first mandatory argument of the command (which is the size of the block with the syntax $i-j$) has not been provided by the user, you use `1-1` (that is to say a block of only one cell).

```
7125 \peek_remove_spaces:n
7126 {
7127     \tl_if_blank:nTF { #2 }
7128     { \@@_Block_ii:nnnn \c_one_int \c_one_int }
7129     {
7130         \int_compare:nNnTF { \char_value_catcode:n { 45 } } = { 13 }
7131         \@@_Block_i_czech \@@_Block_i
7132         #2 \q_stop
7133     }
7134     { #1 } { #3 } { #4 }
7135 }
7136 }
```

With the following construction, we extract the values of i and j in the first mandatory argument of the command.

```
7137 \cs_new:Npn \@@_Block_i #1-#2 \q_stop { \@@_Block_ii:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } }
```

With `babel` with the key `czech`, the character `-` (hyphen) is active. That's why we need a special version. Remark that we could not use a preprocessor in the command `\@@_Block:` to do the job because the command `\@@_Block:` is defined with the command `\NewExpandableDocumentCommand`.

```
7138 {
7139     \char_set_catcode_active:N -
7140     \cs_new:Npn \@@_Block_i_czech #1-#2 \q_stop { \@@_Block_ii:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } }
7141 }
```

Now, the arguments have been extracted: `#1` is i (the number of rows of the block), `#2` is j (the number of columns of the block), `#3` is the list of `key=values` pairs, `#4` are the tokens to put before the math mode and before the composition of the block and `#5` is the label (=content) of the block.

```
7142 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Block_ii:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
7143 {
```

We recall that `#1` and `#2` have been extracted from the first mandatory argument of `\Block` (which is of the syntax $i-j$). However, the user is allowed to omit i or j (or both). We detect that situation by replacing a missing value by 100 (it's a convention: when the block will actually be drawn these values will be detected and interpreted as *maximal possible value* according to the actual size of the array).

```
7144 \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
7145 { \tl_if_blank_p:n { #1 } }
7146 { \str_if_eq_p:Vn \c_@@_star_str { #1 } }
7147 { \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int { 100 } }
7148 { \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int { #1 } }
7149 \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
7150 { \tl_if_blank_p:n { #2 } }
7151 { \str_if_eq_p:Vn \c_@@_star_str { #2 } }
7152 { \int_set:Nn \l_tmpb_int { 100 } }
7153 { \int_set:Nn \l_tmpb_int { #2 } }
```

If the block is mono-column.

```

7154 \int_compare:nNnTF \l_tmpb_int = \c_one_int
7155 {
7156   \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl
7157     { \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_block_str \c_@@_c_str }
7158     { \str_set:NV \l_@@_hpos_block_str \l_@@_hpos_cell_tl }
7159   }
7160   { \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_block_str \c_@@_c_str }

```

The value of `\l_@@_hpos_block_str` may be modified by the keys of the command `\Block` that we will analyze now.

```

7161 \keys_set_known:nn { nicematrix / Block / FirstPass } { #3 }
7162 \tl_set:Nx \l_tmpa_tl
7163 {
7164   { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
7165   { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
7166   { \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + \l_tmpa_int - 1 } }
7167   { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + \l_tmpb_int - 1 } }
7168 }

```

Now, `\l_tmpa_tl` contains an “object” corresponding to the position of the block with four components, each of them surrounded by curly brackets:

`{imin}{jmin}{imax}{jmax}`.

We have different treatments when the key `p` is used and when the block is mono-column or mono-row, etc. That's why we have several macros: `\@@_Block_iv:nnnn`, `\@@_Block_v:nnnn`, `\@@_Block_vi:nnnn`, etc. (the five arguments of those macros are provided by curryfication).

```

7169 \bool_set_false:N \l_tmpa_bool
7170 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_amp_in_blocks_bool
7171   { \tl_if_in:nnT { #5 } { & } { \bool_set_true:N \l_tmpa_bool } }
7172 \bool_case:nF
7173 {
7174   \l_tmpa_bool           { \exp_args:Nee \@@_Block_vii:nnnn }
7175   \l_@@_p_block_bool    { \exp_args:Nee \@@_Block_vi:nnnn }

```

For the blocks mono-column, we will compose right now in a box in order to compute its width and take that width into account for the width of the column. However, if the column is a `X` column, we should not do that since the width is determined by another way. This should be the same for the `p`, `m` and `b` columns and we should modify that point. However, for the `X` column, it's imperative. Otherwise, the process for the determination of the widths of the columns will be wrong.

```

7176   \l_@@_X_bool           { \exp_args:Nee \@@_Block_v:nnnn }
7177   { \tl_if_empty_p:n { #5 } } { \exp_args:Nee \@@_Block_v:nnnn }
7178   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_tmpa_int = \c_one_int }
7179     { \exp_args:Nee \@@_Block_iv:nnnn }
7180   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_tmpb_int = \c_one_int }
7181     { \exp_args:Nee \@@_Block_iv:nnnn }
7182   }
7183   { \exp_args:Nee \@@_Block_v:nnnn }
7184   { \l_tmpa_int } { \l_tmpb_int } { #3 } { #4 } { #5 }
7185 }

```

The following macro is for the case of a `\Block` which is mono-row or mono-column (or both) and don't use the key `p`. In that case, the content of the block is composed right now in a box (because we have to take into account the dimensions of that box for the width of the current column or the height and the depth of the current row). However, that box will be put in the array *after the construction of the array* (by using PGF) with `\@@_draw_blocks:` and above all `\@@_Block_v:nnnnnn` which will do the main job.

#1 is i (the number of rows of the block), #2 is j (the number of columns of the block), #3 is the list of `key=values` pairs, #4 are the tokens to put before the potential math mode and before the composition of the block and #5 is the label (=content) of the block.

```

7186 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Block_iv:nnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5

```

```

7187   {
7188     \int_gincr:N \g_@@_block_box_int
7189     \cs_set_protected_nopar:Npn \diagbox ##1 ##2
7190     {
7191       \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
7192       {
7193         \g_@@_actually_diagbox:nnnnnn
7194         { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
7195         { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
7196         { \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + #1 - 1 } }
7197         { \int_eval:n { \c@jCol + #2 - 1 } }
7198         { \g_@@_row_style_tl \exp_not:n { ##1 } }
7199         { \g_@@_row_style_tl \exp_not:n { ##2 } }
7200       }
7201     }
7202   \box_gclear_new:c
7203   { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }

```

Now, we will actually compose the content of the `\Block` in a TeX box. *Be careful:* if after the construction of the box, the boolean `\g_@@_rotate_bool` is raised (which means that the command `\rotate` was present in the content of the `\Block`) we will rotate the box but also, maybe, change the position of the baseline!

```

7204   \hbox_gset:cn
7205   { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7206   {

```

For a mono-column block, if the user has specified a color for the column in the preamble of the array, we want to fix that color in the box we construct. We do that with `\set@color` and not `\color_ensure_current:` (in order to use `\color_ensure_current:` safely, you should load `l3backend` before the `\documentclass` with `\RequirePackage{expl3}`).

```

7207   \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_color_tl
7208   { \int_compare:nNnT { #2 } = \c_one_int \set@color }
7209   { \g_@@_color:o \l_@@_color_tl }

```

If the block is mono-row, we use `\g_@@_row_style_tl` even if it has yet been used in the beginning of the cell where the command `\Block` has been issued because we want to be able to take into account a potential instruction of color of the font in `\g_@@_row_style_tl`.

```

7210   \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } = \c_one_int
7211   {
7212     \int_if_zero:nTF \c@iRow
7213     {

```

In the following code, the value of `code-for-first-row` contains a `\Block` (in order to have the “first row” centered). But, that block will be executed, since it is entirely contained in the first row, the value of `code-for-first-row` will be inserted once again... with the same command `\Block`. That’s why we have to nullify the command `\Block`.

```

$\begin{bNiceMatrix}%
[%
r,
first-row,
last-col,
code-for-first-row = \Block{}{\scriptstyle\color{blue} \arabic{jCol}},
code-for-last-col = \scriptstyle \color{blue} \arabic{iRow}
]
& & & & \\
-2 & 3 & -4 & 5 & \\
3 & -4 & 5 & -6 & \\
-4 & 5 & -6 & 7 & \\
5 & -6 & 7 & -8 & \\
\end{bNiceMatrix}$

```

```

7214     \cs_set_eq:NN \Block \c@NullBlock:
7215     \l_@@_code_for_first_row_tl
7216   }
7217   {
7218     \int_compare:nNn \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int
7219     {
7220       \cs_set_eq:NN \Block \c@NullBlock:
7221       \l_@@_code_for_last_row_tl
7222     }
7223   }
7224   \g_@@_row_style_tl
7225 }

```

The following command will be no-op when `respect-arraystretch` is in force.

```

7226   \c@reset_arraystretch:
7227   \dim_zero:N \extrarowheight

```

#4 is the optional argument of the command `\Block`, provided with the syntax `<...>`.

```

7228   #4
7229   \c@adjust_hpos_rotate:

```

We adjust `\l_@@_hpos_block_str` when `\rotate` has been used (in the cell where the command `\Block` is used but maybe in #4, `\RowStyle`, `code-for-first-row`, etc.).

```

7230   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool
7231   {
7232     \bool_lazy_all:nTF
7233     {
7234       { \int_compare_p:nNn { #2 } = \c_one_int }
7235         { ! \dim_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_col_width_dim < \c_zero_dim }
7236         { ! \g_@@_rotate_bool }
7237     }

```

Remind that we are in the command of composition of the box of the block. Previously, we have only done some tuning. Now, we will actually compose the content with a `{tabular}`, an `{array}` or a `{minipage}`.

```

7238   \begin{minipage}{\l_@@_col_width_dim}
7239     \use:c {\l_@@_hpos_block_str}
7240   \end{minipage}

```

When the block is mono-column in a column with a fixed width (e.g. `p{3cm}`), we use a `{minipage}`.

```

7241   \begin{minipage}{\l_@@_col_width_dim}
7242     \str_lowercase:o \l_@@_vpos_block_str
7243     { \l_@@_col_width_dim }
7244     \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7245     { c \centering r \raggedleft l \raggedright }
7246   \end{minipage}
7247   \end{minipage}
7248 \end{minipage}

```

In the other cases, we use a `{tabular}`.

```

7250   \begin{tabular}{\l_@@_hpos_block_str}
7251     \use:c {\l_@@_vpos_block_str}
7252   \end{tabular}
7253   \begin{tabular}{\l_@@_hpos_block_str}
7254     \str_lowercase:o \l_@@_vpos_block_str
7255     { @ { } \l_@@_hpos_block_str @ { } }
7256   \end{tabular}
7257   \end{tabular}
7258 \end{tabular}

```

```

7259     }
7260 }

```

If we are in a mathematical array (`\l_@@_tabular_bool` is `false`). The composition is always done with an `{array}` (never with a `{minipage}`).

```

7261 {
7262   \c_math_toggle_token
7263   \use:e
7264   {
7265     \exp_not:N \begin { array }%
7266     [ \str_lowercase:o \l_@@_vpos_block_str ]
7267     { @ { } \l_@@_hpos_block_str @ { } }
7268   }
7269   #5
7270   \end { array }
7271   \c_math_toggle_token
7272 }
7273 }

```

The box which will contain the content of the block has now been composed.

If there were `\rotate` (which raises `\g_@@_rotate_bool`) in the content of the `\Block`, we do a rotation of the box (and we also adjust the baseline of the rotated box).

```

7274 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_bool \@@_rotate_box_of_block:

```

If we are in a mono-column block, we take into account the width of that block for the width of the column.

```

7275 \int_compare:nNnT { #2 } = \c_one_int
7276 {
7277   \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_blocks_wd_dim
7278   {
7279     \dim_max:nn
7280     \g_@@_blocks_wd_dim
7281     {
7282       \box_wd:c
7283       { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7284     }
7285   }
7286 }

```

If we are in a mono-row block we take into account the height and the depth of that block for the height and the depth of the row, excepted when the block uses explicitely an option of vertical position.

```

7287 \bool_lazy_and:nnT
7288   { \int_compare_p:nNn { #1 } = \c_one_int }

```

If the user has not used a key for the vertical position of the block, then `\l_@@_vpos_block_str` remains empty.

```

7289 { \str_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_vpos_block_str }
7290 {
7291   \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_blocks_ht_dim
7292   {
7293     \dim_max:nn
7294     \g_@@_blocks_ht_dim
7295     {
7296       \box_ht:c
7297       { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7298     }
7299   }
7300   \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_blocks_dp_dim
7301   {
7302     \dim_max:nn
7303     \g_@@_blocks_dp_dim
7304     {
7305       \box_dp:c

```

```

7306         { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7307     }
7308 }
7309 }
7310 \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_blocks_seq
7311 {
7312     \l_tmpa_tl

```

In the list of options #3, maybe there is a key for the horizontal alignment (l, r or c). In that case, that key has been read and stored in \l_@@_hpos_block_str. However, maybe there were no key of the horizontal alignment and that's why we put a key corresponding to the value of \l_@@_hpos_block_str, which is fixed by the type of current column.

```

7313 {
7314     \exp_not:n { #3 } ,
7315     \l_@@_hpos_block_str ,

```

Now, we put a key for the vertical alignment.

```

7316 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_bool
7317 {
7318     \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_rotate_c_bool
7319     { m }
7320     { \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int T }
7321 }
7322 }
7323 {
7324     \box_use_drop:c
7325     { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7326 }
7327 }
7328 \bool_set_false:N \g_@@_rotate_c_bool
7329 }

```

```

7330 \cs_new:Npn \@@_adjust_hpos_rotate:
7331 {
7332     \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_bool
7333     {
7334         \str_set:Nx \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7335         {
7336             \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_rotate_c_bool
7337             { c }
7338             {
7339                 \str_case:onF \l_@@_vpos_block_str
7340                 { b l B l t r T r }
7341                 { \int_compare:nNnTF \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int r 1 }
7342             }
7343         }
7344     }
7345 }

```

Despite its name the following command rotates the box of the block *but also does vertical adjustment of the baseline of the block*.

```

7346 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_rotate_box_of_block:
7347 {
7348     \box_grotate:cn
7349     { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7350     { 90 }
7351     \int_compare:nNnT \c@iRow = \l_@@_last_row_int
7352     {
7353         \vbox_gset_top:cn
7354         { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7355         {
7356             \skip_vertical:n { 0.8 ex }

```

```

7357     \box_use:c
7358     { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7359   }
7360 }
7361 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_c_bool
7362 {
7363   \hbox_gset:cn
7364   { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7365   {
7366     \c_math_toggle_token
7367     \vcenter
7368     {
7369       \box_use:c
7370       { g_@@_block _ box _ \int_use:N \g_@@_block_box_int _ box }
7371     }
7372     \c_math_toggle_token
7373   }
7374 }
7375

```

The following macro is for the standard case, where the block is not mono-row and not mono-column and does not use the key p). In that case, the content of the block is *not* composed right now in a box. The composition in a box will be done further, just after the construction of the array (cf. \@@_draw_blocks: and above all \@@_Block_v:nnnnnn).

#1 is i (the number of rows of the block), #2 is j (the number of columns of the block), #3 is the list of key=values pairs, #4 are the tokens to put before the math mode and before the composition of the block and #5 is the label (=content) of the block.

```

7376 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Block_v:nnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
7377 {
7378   \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_blocks_seq
7379   {
7380     \l_tmpa_tl
7381     { \exp_not:n { #3 } }
7382     {
7383       \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool
7384       {
7385         \group_begin:

```

The following command will be no-op when `respect-arraystretch` is in force.

```

7386   \@@_reset_arraystretch:
7387   \exp_not:n
7388   {
7389     \dim_zero:N \extrarowheight
7390     #4

```

If the box is rotated (the key `\rotate` may be in the previous #4), the tabular used for the content of the cell will be constructed with a format c. In the other cases, the tabular will be constructed with a format equal to the key of position of the box. In other words: the alignment internal to the tabular is the same as the external alignment of the tabular (that is to say the position of the block in its zone of merged cells).

```

7391   \bool_if:NT \c_@@_testphase_table_bool
7392   { \tag_stop:n { table } }
7393   \use:e
7394   {
7395     \exp_not:N \begin { tabular } [ \l_@@_vpos_block_str ]
7396     { @ { } \l_@@_hpos_block_str @ { } }
7397   }
7398   #5
7399   \end { tabular }
7400 }
7401 \group_end:
7402

```

When we are *not* in an environment `{NiceTabular}` (or similar).

```

7403   {
7404     \group_begin:
7405
7406     \@@_reset_arraystretch:
7407     \exp_not:n
7408     {
7409       \dim_zero:N \extrarowheight
7410       #4
7411       \c_math_toggle_token
7412       \use:e
7413       {
7414         \exp_not:N \begin { array } [ \l_@@_vpos_block_str ]
7415         { @ { } \l_@@_hpos_block_str @ { } }
7416       }
7417       #5
7418       \end { array }
7419       \c_math_toggle_token
7420     }
7421     \group_end:
7422   }
7423 }
7424 }
```

The following macro is for the case of a `\Block` which uses the key `p`.

```

7425 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Block_vi:nnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
7426 {
7427   \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_blocks_seq
7428   {
7429     \l_tmpa_tl
7430     { \exp_not:n { #3 } }
7431     {
7432       \group_begin:
7433       \exp_not:n { #4 #5 }
7434       \group_end:
7435     }
7436   }
7437 }
```

The following macro is for the case of a `\Block` which uses the key `p`.

```

7438 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Block_vii:nnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
7439 {
7440   \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_blocks_seq
7441   {
7442     \l_tmpa_tl
7443     { \exp_not:n { #3 } }
7444     { \exp_not:n { #4 #5 } }
7445   }
7446 }
```

We recall that the options of the command `\Block` are analyzed twice: first in the cell of the array and once again when the block will be put in the array *after the construction of the array* (by using PGF).

```

7447 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / Block / SecondPass }
7448 {
7449   ampersand-in-blocks .bool_set:N = \l_@@_amp_in_blocks_bool ,
7450   ampersand-in-blocks .default:n = true ,
7451   &-in-blocks .meta:n = ampersand-in-blocks ,
7452   tikz .code:n =
```

```

7453 \IfPackageLoadedTF { tikz }
7454   { \seq_put_right:Nn \l_@@_tikz_seq { { #1 } } }
7455   { \@@_error:n { tikz-key-without-tikz } } ,
7456 tikz .value_required:n = true ,
7457 fill .code:n =
7458   \tl_set_rescan:Nnn
7459     \l_@@_fill_tl
7460     { \char_set_catcode_other:N ! }
7461     { #1 } ,
7462 fill .value_required:n = true ,
7463 opacity .tl_set:N = \l_@@_opacity_tl ,
7464 opacity .value_required:n = true ,
7465 draw .code:n =
7466   \tl_set_rescan:Nnn
7467     \l_@@_draw_tl
7468     { \char_set_catcode_other:N ! }
7469     { #1 } ,
7470 draw .default:n = default ,
7471 rounded-corners .dim_set:N = \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim ,
7472 rounded-corners .default:n = 4 pt ,
7473 color .code:n =
7474   \@@_color:n { #1 }
7475 \tl_set_rescan:Nnn
7476   \l_@@_draw_tl
7477   { \char_set_catcode_other:N ! }
7478   { #1 } ,
7479 borders .clist_set:N = \l_@@_borders_clist ,
7480 borders .value_required:n = true ,
7481 hlines .meta:n = { vlines , hlines } ,
7482 vlines .bool_set:N = \l_@@_vlines_block_bool,
7483 vlines .default:n = true ,
7484 hlines .bool_set:N = \l_@@_hlines_block_bool,
7485 hlines .default:n = true ,
7486 line-width .dim_set:N = \l_@@_line_width_dim ,
7487 line-width .value_required:n = true ,

```

Some keys have not a property .value_required:n (or similar) because they are in FirstPass.

```

7488 j .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str j
7489   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_p_block_bool ,
7490 l .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str l ,
7491 r .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str r ,
7492 c .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str c ,
7493 L .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str l
7494   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool ,
7495 R .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str r
7496   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool ,
7497 C .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_hpos_block_str c
7498   \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool ,
7499 t .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str t ,
7500 T .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str T ,
7501 b .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str b ,
7502 B .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str B ,
7503 m .code:n = \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str c ,
7504 m .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7505 v-center .meta:n = m ,
7506 p .code:n = \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_p_block_bool ,
7507 p .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7508 name .tl_set:N = \l_@@_block_name_str ,
7509 name .value_required:n = true ,
7510 name .initial:n = ,
7511 respect-arraystretch .code:n =
7512   \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_reset_arraystretch: \prg_do_nothing: ,
7513 respect-arraystretch .value_forbidden:n = true ,
7514 transparent .bool_set:N = \l_@@_transparent_bool ,

```

```

7515     transparent .default:n = true ,
7516     transparent .initial:n = false ,
7517     unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-Block }
7518 }

```

The command `\@@_draw_blocks:` will draw all the blocks. This command is used after the construction of the array. We have to revert to a clean version of `\ialign` because there may be tabulars in the `\Block` instructions that will be composed now.

```

7519 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_draw_blocks:
7520 {
7521     \bool_if:NTF \c_@@_tagging_array_bool
7522         { \cs_set_eq:NN \var@ialign \c_@@_old_ar@ialign: }
7523         { \cs_set_eq:NN \ialign \c_@@_old_ialign: }
7524     \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_blocks_seq { \@@_Block_iv:nnnnnn ##1 }
7525 }
7526 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Block_iv:nnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6
7527 {

```

The integer `\l_@@_last_row_int` will be the last row of the block and `\l_@@_last_col_int` its last column.

```

7528 \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_last_row_int
7529 \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_last_col_int

```

We remind that the first mandatory argument of the command `\Block` is the size of the block with the special format $i-j$. However, the user is allowed to omit i or j (or both). This will be interpreted as: the last row (resp. column) of the block will be the last row (resp. column) of the block (without the potential exterior row—resp. column—of the array). By convention, this is stored in `\g_@@_blocks_seq` as a number of rows (resp. columns) for the block equal to 100. That's what we detect now.

```

7530 \int_compare:nNnTF { #3 } > { 99 }
7531     { \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_last_row_int \c@iRow }
7532     { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_row_int { #3 } }
7533 \int_compare:nNnTF { #4 } > { 99 }
7534     { \int_set_eq:NN \l_@@_last_col_int \c@jCol }
7535     { \int_set:Nn \l_@@_last_col_int { #4 } }
7536 \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_last_col_int > \g_@@_col_total_int
7537 {
7538     \bool_lazy_and:nnTF
7539         \l_@@_preamble_bool
7540     {
7541         \int_compare_p:n
7542             { \l_@@_last_col_int <= \g_@@_static_num_of_col_int }
7543     }
7544     {
7545         \msg_error:nnnn { nicematrix } { Block-too-large-2 } { #1 } { #2 }
7546         \@@_msg_redirect_name:nn { Block-too-large-2 } { none }
7547         \@@_msg_redirect_name:nn { columns-not-used } { none }
7548     }
7549     { \msg_error:nnnn { nicematrix } { Block-too-large-1 } { #1 } { #2 } }
7550 }
7551 {
7552     \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_last_row_int > \g_@@_row_total_int
7553         { \msg_error:nnnn { nicematrix } { Block-too-large-1 } { #1 } { #2 } }
7554     {
7555         \@@_Block_v:nnVVnn
7556             { #1 }
7557             { #2 }
7558         \l_@@_last_row_int
7559         \l_@@_last_col_int
7560             { #5 }
7561             { #6 }
7562     }

```

```

7563     }
7564   }
7565 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_Block_v:nnnnnn { n n V V n n }

```

The following command `\@@_Block_v:nnnnnn` will actually draw the block. #1 is the first row of the block; #2 is the first column of the block; #3 is the last row of the block; #4 is the last column of the block; #5 is a list of `key=value` options; #6 is the label

```

7566 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_Block_v:nnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6
7567 {

```

The group is for the keys.

```

7568 \group_begin:
7569 \int_compare:nNnT { #1 } = { #3 }
7570   { \str_set:Nn \l_@@_vpos_block_str { t } }
7571 \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / Block / SecondPass } { #5 }

```

If the content of the block contains &, we will have a special treatment (since the cell must be divided in several sub-cells).

```

7572 \tl_if_in:nnT { #6 } { & } { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_ampersand_bool }
7573 \bool_lazy_and:nnT
7574   \l_@@_vlines_block_bool
7575   { ! \l_@@_ampersand_bool }
7576   {
7577     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl
7578     {
7579       \@@_vlines_block:nnn
7580       { \exp_not:n { #5 } }
7581       { #1 - #2 }
7582       { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7583     }
7584   }
7585 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_hlines_block_bool
7586   {
7587     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl
7588     {
7589       \@@_hlines_block:nnn
7590       { \exp_not:n { #5 } }
7591       { #1 - #2 }
7592       { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7593     }
7594   }
7595 \bool_if:NF \l_@@_transparent_bool
7596   {
7597     \bool_lazy_and:nnF \l_@@_vlines_block_bool \l_@@_hlines_block_bool
7598   }

```

The sequence of the positions of the blocks (excepted the blocks with the key `hlines`) will be used when drawing the rules (in fact, there is also the `\multicolumn` and the `\diagbox` in that sequence).

```

7599 \seq_gput_left:Nx \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
7600   { { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } { #4 } { \l_@@_block_name_str } }
7601   }
7602 }

7603 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_draw_tl
7604   {
7605     \bool_lazy_or:nnT \l_@@_hlines_block_bool \l_@@_vlines_block_bool
7606     { \@@_error:n { hlines-with~color } }
7607     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl
7608     {
7609       \@@_stroke_block:nnn

```

#5 are the options

```
7610 { \exp_not:n { #5 } }
7611 { #1 - #2 }
7612 { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7613 }
7614 \seq_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_stroken_blocks_seq
7615 { { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } { #4 } }
7616 }

7617 \clist_if_empty:NF \l_@@_borders_clist
7618 {
7619     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl
7620     {
7621         \@@_stroke_borders_block:nnn
7622         { \exp_not:n { #5 } }
7623         { #1 - #2 }
7624         { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7625     }
7626 }

7627 \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_fill_tl
7628 {
7629     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_opacity_tl
7630     {
7631         \tl_if_head_eq_meaning:nNTF \l_@@_fill_tl [
7632             {
7633                 \tl_set:Nx \l_@@_fill_tl
7634                 {
7635                     [ opacity = \l_@@_opacity_tl ,
7636                     \tl_tail:o \l_@@_fill_tl
7637                 }
7638             }
7639             {
7640                 \tl_set:Nx \l_@@_fill_tl
7641                 { [ opacity = \l_@@_opacity_tl ] { \l_@@_fill_tl } }
7642             }
7643         ]
7644     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_before_tl
7645     {
7646         \exp_not:N \roundedrectanglecolor
7647         \exp_args:No \tl_if_head_eq_meaning:nNTF \l_@@_fill_tl [
7648             { \l_@@_fill_tl }
7649             { { \l_@@_fill_tl } }
7650             { #1 - #2 }
7651             { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7652             { \dim_use:N \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim }
7653         ]
7654     }
7655 }

7656 \seq_if_empty:NF \l_@@_tikz_seq
7657 {
7658     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_nicematrix_code_before_tl
7659     {
7660         \@@_block_tikz:nnnnn
7661         { #1 }
7662         { #2 }
7663         { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int }
7664         { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7665         { \seq_use:Nn \l_@@_tikz_seq { , } }
7666     }
7667 }

7668 \cs_set_protected_nopar:Npn \diagbox ##1 ##2
7669 {
7670     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
```

```

7670      {
7671          \@@_actually_diagbox:nnnnn
7672              { #1 }
7673              { #2 }
7674              { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int }
7675              { \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7676              { \exp_not:n { ##1 } } { \exp_not:n { ##2 } }
7677      }
7678  }

```

Let's consider the following `{NiceTabular}`. Because of the instruction `!{\hspace{1cm}}` in the preamble which increases the space between the columns (by adding, in fact, that space to the previous column, that is to say the second column of the tabular), we will create *two* nodes relative to the block: the node **1-1-block** and the node **1-1-block-short**.

```

\begin{NiceTabular}{cc!{\hspace{1cm}}c}
\Block{2-2}{our block} & one & \\
& two & \\
three & four & five \\
six & seven & eight \\
\end{NiceTabular}

```

We highlight the node **1-1-block**

our block	one
	two
three	four
six	seven

We highlight the node **1-1-block-short**

our block	one
	two
three	four
six	seven

The construction of the node corresponding to the merged cells.

```

7679 \pgfpicture
7680 \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
7681 \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
7682 \@@_qpoint:n { row - #1 }
7683 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
7684 \@@_qpoint:n { col - #2 }
7685 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_dim \pgf@x
7686 \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_row_int + 1 } }
7687 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@y
7688 \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_col_int + 1 } }
7689 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_dim \pgf@x

```

We construct the node for the block with the name **(#1-#2-block)**.

The function `\@@_pgf_rect_node:nnnn` takes in as arguments the name of the node and the four coordinates of two opposite corner points of the rectangle.

```

7690 \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnnn
7691     { \@@_env: - #1 - #2 - block }
7692     \l_tmpb_dim \l_tmpa_dim \l_@@_tmpd_dim \l_@@_tmpc_dim
7693 \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_block_name_str
7694 {
7695     \pgfnodealias
7696         { \@@_env: - \l_@@_block_name_str }
7697         { \@@_env: - #1 - #2 - block }
7698     \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_name_str
7699     {
7700         \pgfnodealias
7701             { \l_@@_name_str - \l_@@_block_name_str }
7702             { \@@_env: - #1 - #2 - block }
7703     }
7704 }

```

Now, we create the “short node” which, in general, will be used to put the label (that is to say the content of the node). However, if one the keys L, C or R is used (that information is provided by the boolean `\l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool`), we don’t need to create that node since the normal node is used to put the label.

```
7705 \bool_if:NF \l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool
7706 {
7707     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_dim \c_max_dim
```

The short node is constructed by taking into account the *contents* of the columns involved in at least one cell of the block. That’s why we have to do a loop over the rows of the array.

```
7708 \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int
7709 {
```

We recall that, when a cell is empty, no (normal) node is created in that cell. That’s why we test the existence of the node before using it.

```
7710 \cs_if_exist:cT
7711     { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - #2 }
7712     {
7713         \seq_if_in:NnF \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq { ##1 - #2 }
7714         {
7715             \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - ##1 - #2 } { west }
7716             \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim { \dim_min:nn \l_tmpb_dim \pgf@x }
7717         }
7718     }
7719 }
```

If all the cells of the column were empty, `\l_tmpb_dim` has still the same value `\c_max_dim`. In that case, you use for `\l_tmpb_dim` the value of the position of the vertical rule.

```
7720 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_dim = \c_max_dim
7721 {
7722     \@@_qpoint:n { col - #2 }
7723     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_dim \pgf@x
7724 }
7725 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpd_dim { - \c_max_dim }
7726 \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int
7727 {
7728     \cs_if_exist:cT
7729         { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7730         {
7731             \seq_if_in:NnF \g_@@_multicolumn_cells_seq { ##1 - #2 }
7732             {
7733                 \pgfpointanchor
7734                     { \@@_env: - ##1 - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int }
7735                     { east }
7736                 \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpd_dim { \dim_max:nn \l_@@_tmpd_dim \pgf@x }
7737             }
7738         }
7739     }
7740 \dim_compare:nNnT \l_@@_tmpd_dim = { - \c_max_dim }
7741 {
7742     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_col_int + 1 } }
7743     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_dim \pgf@x
7744 }
7745 \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnnn
7746     { \@@_env: - #1 - #2 - block - short }
7747     \l_tmpb_dim \l_tmpa_dim \l_@@_tmpd_dim \l_@@_tmpc_dim
7748 }
```

If the creation of the “medium nodes” is required, we create a “medium node” for the block. The function `\@@_pgf_rect_node:nnn` takes in as arguments the name of the node and two PGF points.

```
7749 \bool_if:NT \l_@@_medium_nodes_bool
7750 {
7751     \@@_pgf_rect_node:nnn
```

```

7752 { \@@_env: - #1 - #2 - block - medium }
7753 { \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - #1 - #2 - medium } { north-west } }
7754 {
7755     \pgfpointanchor
7756         { \@@_env:
7757             - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int
7758             - \int_use:N \l_@@_last_col_int - medium
7759         }
7760         { south-east }
7761     }
7762 }
7763 \endpgfpicture

7764 \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_ampersand_bool
7765 {
7766     \seq_set_split:Nnn \l_tmpa_seq { & } { #6 }
7767     \int_zero_new:N \l_@@_split_int
7768     \int_set:Nn \l_@@_split_int { \seq_count:N \l_tmpa_seq }
7769     \pgfpicture
7770     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
7771     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
7772     \@@_qpoint:n { row - #1 }
7773     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@y
7774     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { #3 + 1 } }
7775     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_dim \pgf@y
7776     \@@_qpoint:n { col - #2 }
7777     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@x
7778     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { #4 + 1 } }
7779     \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim
7780         { ( \pgf@x - \l_tmpa_dim ) / \int_use:N \l_@@_split_int }
7781     \bool_lazy_or:nnT
7782         \l_@@_vlines_block_bool
7783         { \tl_if_eq_p:NN \l_@@_vlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl }
7784     {
7785         \int_step_inline:nn { \l_@@_split_int - 1 }
7786     }
7787         \pgfpathmoveto
7788         {
7789             \pgfpoint
7790                 { \l_tmpa_dim + ##1 \l_tmpb_dim }
7791                 \l_@@_tmpc_dim
7792         }
7793         \pgfpathlineto
7794         {
7795             \pgfpoint
7796                 { \l_tmpa_dim + ##1 \l_tmpb_dim }
7797                 \l_@@_tmpd_dim
7798         }
7799         \CT@arc@
7800         \pgfsetlinewidth { 1.1 \arrayrulewidth }
7801         \pgfsetrectcap
7802         \pgfusepathqstroke
7803     }
7804 }
7805 \@@_qpoint:n { row - #1 - base }
7806 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@y
7807 \int_step_inline:nn \l_@@_split_int
7808 {
7809     \group_begin:
7810     \dim_set:Nn \col@sep
7811         { \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_tabular_bool \tabcolsep \arraycolsep }
7812     \pgftransformshift
7813     {

```

```

7814 \pgfpoint
7815 {
7816   \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7817   {
7818     l { \l_tmpa_dim + ##1 \l_tmpb_dim - \l_tmpb_dim + \col@sep}
7819     c { \l_tmpa_dim + ##1 \l_tmpb_dim - 0.5 \l_tmpb_dim }
7820     r { \l_tmpa_dim + ##1 \l_tmpb_dim - \col@sep }
7821   }
7822 }
7823 { \l_@@_tmpc_dim }
7824 }
7825 \pgfset
7826 {
7827   inner-xsep = \c_zero_dim ,
7828   inner-ysep = \c_zero_dim
7829 }
7830 \pgfnode
7831 { rectangle }
7832 {
7833   \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7834   {
7835     c { base }
7836     l { base-west }
7837     r { base-east }
7838   }
7839 }
7840 { \seq_item:Nn \l_tmpa_seq { ##1 } } { } { }
7841 \group_end:
7842 }
7843 \endpgfpicture
7844 }

```

Now the case where there is no ampersand & in the content of the block.

```

7845 {
7846   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_p_block_bool
7847   {

```

When the final user has used the key p, we have to compute the width.

```

7848 \pgfpicture
7849   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
7850   \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
7851   \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool
7852   {
7853     \qpoint:n { col - #2 }
7854     \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@x
7855     \qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_col_int + 1 } }
7856   }
7857   {
7858     \pgfpointanchor { \qpoint:n { col - #1 - #2 - block - short } } { west }
7859     \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_tmpa_dim \pgf@x
7860     \pgfpointanchor { \qpoint:n { col - #1 - #2 - block - short } } { east }
7861   }
7862   \dim_gset:Nn \g_tmpb_dim { \pgf@x - \g_tmpa_dim }
7863 \endpgfpicture
7864 \hbox_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_box
7865 {
7866   \begin { minipage } [ \str_lowercase:o \l_@@_vpos_block_str ]
7867   { \g_tmpb_dim }
7868   \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7869   { c \centering r \raggedleft l \raggedright j { } }
7870   #6
7871   \end { minipage }
7872 }
7873

```

```

7874 { \hbox_set:Nn \l_@@_cell_box { \set@color #6 } }
7875 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_rotate_bool \@@_rotate_cell_box:

```

Now, we will put the label of the block. We recall that `\l_@@_vpos_block_str` is empty when the user has not used a key for the vertical position of the block.

```

7876 \pgfpicture
7877 \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpage=true
7878 \pgf@relevantforpicturesize=false
7879 \bool_lazy_any:nTF
7880 {
7881     { \str_if_empty_p:N \l_@@_vpos_block_str } % added 2024/06/29
7882     { \str_if_eq_p:on \l_@@_vpos_block_str { c } }
7883     { \str_if_eq_p:on \l_@@_vpos_block_str { T } }
7884     { \str_if_eq_p:on \l_@@_vpos_block_str { B } }
7885 }
7886 {

```

If we are in the first column, we must put the block as if it was with the key `r`.

```

7887 \int_if_zero:nT { #2 } { \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_block_str \c_@@_r_str }

```

If we are in the last column, we must put the block as if it was with the key `l`.

```

7888 \bool_if:nT \g_@@_last_col_found_bool
7889 {
7890     \int_compare:nNnT { #2 } = \g_@@_col_total_int
7891     { \str_set_eq:NN \l_@@_hpos_block_str \c_@@_l_str }
7892 }

```

`\l_tmpa_tl` will contain the anchor of the PGF node which will be used.

```

7893 \tl_set:Nx \l_tmpa_tl
7894 {
7895     \str_case:on \l_@@_vpos_block_str
7896     {

```

We recall that `\l_@@_vpos_block_str` is empty when the user has not used a key for the vertical position of the block.

```

7897 { } { % added 2024-06-29
7898     \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7899     {
7900         c { center }
7901         l { west }
7902         r { east }
7903         j { center }
7904     }
7905 }
7906 c {
7907     \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7908     {
7909         c { center }
7910         l { west }
7911         r { east }
7912         j { center }
7913     }
7914 }
7915 T {
7916     \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7917     {
7918         c { north }
7919         l { north-west }
7920         r { north-east }
7921         j { north }
7922     }
7923 }
7924

```

```

7925     }
7926     B {
7927         \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7928         {
7929             c { south }
7930             l { south-west }
7931             r { south-east }
7932             j { south }
7933         }
7934     }
7935 }
7936 }
7937 }

7938 \pgftransformshift
7939 {
7940     \pgfpointanchor
7941     {
7942         \@@_env: - #1 - #2 - block
7943         \bool_if:NF \l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool { - short }
7944     }
7945     { \l_tmpa_t1 }
7946 }
7947 \pgfset
7948 {
7949     inner-xsep = \c_zero_dim ,
7950     inner-ysep = \c_zero_dim
7951 }
7952 \pgfnode
7953 {
7954     rectangle
7955     { \l_tmpa_t1 }
7956     { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box } { } { }
7956 }

```

End of the case when `\l_@@_vpos_block_str` is equal to `c`, `T` or `B`. Now, the other cases.

```

7957 {
7958     \pgfextracty \l_tmpa_dim
7959     {
7960         \@@_qpoint:n
7961         {
7962             row - \str_if_eq:onTF \l_@@_vpos_block_str { b } { #3 } { #1 }
7963             - base
7964         }
7965     }
7966     \dim_sub:Nn \l_tmpa_dim { 0.5 \arrayrulewidth }

```

We retrieve (in `\pgf@x`) the *x*-value of the center of the block.

```

7967 \pgfpointanchor
7968 {
7969     \@@_env: - #1 - #2 - block
7970     \bool_if:NF \l_@@_hpos_of_block_cap_bool { - short }
7971 }
7972 {
7973     \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7974     {
7975         c { center }
7976         l { west }
7977         r { east }
7978         j { center }
7979     }
7980 }

```

We put the label of the block which has been composed in `\l_@@_cell_box`.

```

7981 \pgftransformshift { \pgfpoint \pgf@x \l_tmpa_dim }
7982 \pgfset { inner-sep = \c_zero_dim }

```

```

7983     \pgfnode
7984     { rectangle }
7985     {
7986         \str_case:on \l_@@_hpos_block_str
7987         {
7988             c { base }
7989             l { base-west }
7990             r { base-east }
7991             j { base }
7992         }
7993     }
7994     { \box_use_drop:N \l_@@_cell_box } { } { }
7995 }
7996 \endpgfpicture
7997 }
7998 \group_end:
7999 }

```

The first argument of `\@@_stroke_block:nnn` is a list of options for the rectangle that you will stroke. The second argument is the upper-left cell of the block (with, as usual, the syntax $i-j$) and the third is the last cell of the block (with the same syntax).

```

8000 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_stroke_block:nnn #1 #2 #3
8001 {
8002     \group_begin:
8003     \tl_clear:N \l_@@_draw_tl
8004     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_line_width_dim \arrayrulewidth
8005     \keys_set_known:nn { nicematrix / BlockStroke } { #1 }
8006     \pgfpicture
8007     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
8008     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
8009     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_@@_draw_tl
8010     {

```

If the user has used the key `color` of the command `\Block` without value, the color fixed by `\arrayrulecolor` is used.

```

8011     \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_draw_tl \c_@@_default_tl
8012     { \CT@arc@ }
8013     { \@@_color:o \l_@@_draw_tl }
8014 }
8015 \pgfsetcornersarced
8016 {
8017     \pgfpoint
8018     { \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim }
8019     { \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim }
8020 }
8021 \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #2 \q_stop
8022 \int_compare:nNnF \l_tmpa_tl > \c@iRow
8023 {
8024     \int_compare:nNnF \l_tmpb_tl > \c@jCol
8025     {
8026         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \l_tmpa_tl }
8027         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_dim \pgf@y
8028         \@@_qpoint:n { col - \l_tmpb_tl }
8029         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@x
8030         \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #3 \q_stop
8031         \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpa_tl > \c@iRow
8032         { \tl_set:No \l_tmpa_tl { \int_use:N \c@iRow } }
8033         \int_compare:nNnT \l_tmpb_tl > \c@jCol
8034         { \tl_set:No \l_tmpb_tl { \int_use:N \c@jCol } }
8035         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \l_tmpa_tl + 1 } }
8036         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
8037         \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl + 1 } }
8038         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_dim \pgf@x

```

```

8039     \pgfsetlinewidth { 1.1 \l_@@_line_width_dim }
8040     \pgfpathrectanglecorners
8041         { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpc_dim \l_tmpb_dim }
8042         { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpd_dim \l_tmpa_dim }
8043     \dim_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim = \c_zero_dim
8044         { \pgfusepathqstroke }
8045         { \pgfusepath { stroke } }
8046     }
8047   }
8048 \endpgfpicture
8049 \group_end:
8050 }
```

Here is the set of keys for the command `\@@_stroke_block:nnn`.

```

8051 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / BlockStroke }
8052 {
8053   color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_draw_tl ,
8054   draw .code:n =
8055     \exp_args:Nn \tl_if_empty:nF { #1 } { \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_draw_tl { #1 } } ,
8056   draw .default:n = default ,
8057   line-width .dim_set:N = \l_@@_line_width_dim ,
8058   rounded-corners .dim_set:N = \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim ,
8059   rounded-corners .default:n = 4 pt
8060 }
```

The first argument of `\@@_vlines_block:nnn` is a list of options for the rules that we will draw. The second argument is the upper-left cell of the block (with, as usual, the syntax $i-j$) and the third is the last cell of the block (with the same syntax).

```

8061 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_vlines_block:nnn #1 #2 #3
8062 {
8063   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_line_width_dim \arrayrulewidth
8064   \keys_set_known:nn { nicematrix / BlockBorders } { #1 }
8065   \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #2 \q_stop
8066   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_tl \l_tmpa_tl
8067   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_tl \l_tmpb_tl
8068   \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #3 \q_stop
8069   \tl_set:Nx \l_tmpa_tl { \int_eval:n { \l_tmpa_tl + 1 } }
8070   \tl_set:Nx \l_tmpb_tl { \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl + 1 } }
8071   \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_tmpd_tl \l_tmpb_tl
8072   {
8073     \use:e
8074     {
8075       \@@_vline:n
8076       {
8077         position = ##1 ,
8078         start = \l_@@_tmpc_tl ,
8079         end = \int_eval:n { \l_tmpa_tl - 1 } ,
8080         total-width = \dim_use:N \l_@@_line_width_dim
8081       }
8082     }
8083   }
8084 }
8085 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_hlines_block:nnn #1 #2 #3
8086 {
8087   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_line_width_dim \arrayrulewidth
8088   \keys_set_known:nn { nicematrix / BlockBorders } { #1 }
8089   \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #2 \q_stop
8090   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_tl \l_tmpa_tl
8091   \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_tl \l_tmpb_tl
8092   \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #3 \q_stop
8093   \tl_set:Nx \l_tmpa_tl { \int_eval:n { \l_tmpa_tl + 1 } }
8094   \tl_set:Nx \l_tmpb_tl { \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl + 1 } }
8095   \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_tmpc_tl \l_tmpa_tl
```

```

8096   {
8097     \use:e
8098     {
8099       \@@_hline:n
8100       {
8101         position = ##1 ,
8102         start = \l_@@_tmpd_tl ,
8103         end = \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl - 1 } ,
8104         total-width = \dim_use:N \l_@@_line_width_dim
8105       }
8106     }
8107   }
8108 }
```

The first argument of `\@@_stroke_borders_block:nnn` is a list of options for the borders that you will stroke. The second argument is the upper-left cell of the block (with, as usual, the syntax $i-j$) and the third is the last cell of the block (with the same syntax).

```

8109 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_stroke_borders_block:nnn #1 #2 #3
8110   {
8111     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_line_width_dim \arrayrulewidth
8112     \keys_set_known:nn { nicematrix / BlockBorders } { #1 }
8113     \dim_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim > \c_zero_dim
8114     { \@@_error:n { borders-forbidden } }
8115   {
8116     \tl_clear_new:N \l_@@_borders_tikz_tl
8117     \keys_set:nV
8118       { nicematrix / OnlyForTikzInBorders }
8119       \l_@@_borders_clist
8120     \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #2 \q_stop
8121     \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_tl \l_tmpa_tl
8122     \tl_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_tl \l_tmpb_tl
8123     \@@_cut_on_hyphen:w #3 \q_stop
8124     \tl_set:Nx \l_tmpa_tl { \int_eval:n { \l_tmpa_tl + 1 } }
8125     \tl_set:Nx \l_tmpb_tl { \int_eval:n { \l_tmpb_tl + 1 } }
8126     \@@_stroke_borders_block_i:
8127   }
8128 }
8129 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
8130 {
8131   \cs_new_protected:Npx \@@_stroke_borders_block_i:
8132   {
8133     \c_@@_pgfortikzpicture_tl
8134     \@@_stroke_borders_block_ii:
8135     \c_@@_endpgfortikzpicture_tl
8136   }
8137 }
8138 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_stroke_borders_block_ii:
8139 {
8140   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
8141   \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
8142   \CT@arc@
8143   \pgfsetlinewidth { 1.1 \l_@@_line_width_dim }
8144   \clist_if_in:NnT \l_@@_borders_clist { right }
8145   { \@@_stroke_vertical:n \l_tmpb_tl }
8146   \clist_if_in:NnT \l_@@_borders_clist { left }
8147   { \@@_stroke_vertical:n \l_@@_tmpd_tl }
8148   \clist_if_in:NnT \l_@@_borders_clist { bottom }
8149   { \@@_stroke_horizontal:n \l_tmpa_tl }
8150   \clist_if_in:NnT \l_@@_borders_clist { top }
8151   { \@@_stroke_horizontal:n \l_@@_tmpc_tl }
8152 }
```

```

8153 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / OnlyForTikzInBorders }
8154 {
8155   tikz .code:n =
8156   \cs_if_exist:NTF \tikzpicture
8157     { \tl_set:Nn \l_@@_borders_tikz_tl { #1 } }
8158     { \@@_error:n { tikz-in-borders-without-tikz } } ,
8159   tikz .value_required:n = true ,
8160   top .code:n = ,
8161   bottom .code:n = ,
8162   left .code:n = ,
8163   right .code:n = ,
8164   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { bad-border }
8165 }
```

The following command is used to stroke the left border and the right border. The argument #1 is the number of column (in the sense of the `col` node).

```

8166 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_stroke_vertical:n #1
8167 {
8168   \@@_qpoint:n \l_@@_tmpc_tl
8169   \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim { \pgf@y + 0.5 \l_@@_line_width_dim }
8170   \@@_qpoint:n \l_tmpa_tl
8171   \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_tmpc_dim { \pgf@y + 0.5 \l_@@_line_width_dim }
8172   \@@_qpoint:n { #1 }
8173   \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_borders_tikz_tl
8174   {
8175     \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \pgf@x \l_tmpb_dim }
8176     \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \pgf@x \l_@@_tmpc_dim }
8177     \pgfusepathqstroke
8178   }
8179   {
8180     \use:e { \exp_not:N \draw [ \l_@@_borders_tikz_tl ] }
8181     ( \pgf@x , \l_tmpb_dim ) -- ( \pgf@x , \l_@@_tmpc_dim ) ;
8182   }
8183 }
```

The following command is used to stroke the top border and the bottom border. The argument #1 is the number of row (in the sense of the `row` node).

```

8184 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_stroke_horizontal:n #1
8185 {
8186   \@@_qpoint:n \l_@@_tmpd_tl
8187   \clist_if_in:NnTF \l_@@_borders_clist { left }
8188     { \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim { \pgf@x - 0.5 \l_@@_line_width_dim } }
8189     { \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim { \pgf@x + 0.5 \l_@@_line_width_dim } }
8190   \@@_qpoint:n \l_tmpb_tl
8191   \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpb_dim { \pgf@x + 0.5 \l_@@_line_width_dim }
8192   \@@_qpoint:n { #1 }
8193   \tl_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_borders_tikz_tl
8194   {
8195     \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y }
8196     \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpb_dim \pgf@y }
8197     \pgfusepathqstroke
8198   }
8199   {
8200     \use:e { \exp_not:N \draw [ \l_@@_borders_tikz_tl ] }
8201     ( \l_tmpa_dim , \pgf@y ) -- ( \l_tmpb_dim , \pgf@y ) ;
8202   }
8203 }
```

Here is the set of keys for the command `\@@_stroke_borders_block:nnn`.

```

8204 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / BlockBorders }
8205 {
8206   borders .clist_set:N = \l_@@_borders_clist ,
```

```

8207     rounded-corners .dim_set:N = \l_@@_rounded_corners_dim ,
8208     rounded-corners .default:n = 4 pt ,
8209     line-width .dim_set:N = \l_@@_line_width_dim
8210 }

```

The following command will be used if the key `tikz` has been used for the command `\Block`. The arguments #1 and #2 are the coordinates of the first cell and #3 and #4 the coordinates of the last cell of the block. #5 is a comma-separated list of the Tikz keys used with the path. However, among those keys, you have added in `nicematrix` a special key `offset` (an offset for the rectangle of the block). That's why we have to extract that key first.

```

8211 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_block_tikz:nnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
8212 {
8213     \begin{tikzpicture}
8214     \@@_clip_with_rounded_corners:
8215     \clist_map_inline:nn { #5 }
8216     {
8217         \keys_set_known:nnN { nicematrix / SpecialOffset } { ##1 } \l_tmpa_tl
8218         \use:e { \exp_not:N \path [ \l_tmpa_tl ] }
8219         (
8220             [
8221                 xshift = \dim_use:N \l_@@_offset_dim ,
8222                 yshift = - \dim_use:N \l_@@_offset_dim
8223             ]
8224             #1 -| #2
8225         )
8226         rectangle
8227         (
8228             [
8229                 xshift = - \dim_use:N \l_@@_offset_dim ,
8230                 yshift = \dim_use:N \l_@@_offset_dim
8231             ]
8232             \int_eval:n { #3 + 1 } -| \int_eval:n { #4 + 1 }
8233         );
8234     }
8235     \end{tikzpicture}
8236 }
8237 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \@@_block_tikz:nnnnn { n n n n V }

8238 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / SpecialOffset }
8239     { offset .dim_set:N = \l_@@_offset_dim }

```

In some circumstances, we want to nullify the command `\Block`. In order to reach that goal, we will link the command `\Block` to the following command `\@@_NullBlock:` which has the same syntax as the standard command `\Block` but which is no-op.

```

8240 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_NullBlock:
8241     { \@@_collect_options:n { \@@_NullBlock_i: } }
8242 \NewExpandableDocumentCommand \@@_NullBlock_i: { m m D < > { } +m }
8243     { }

```

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```

8244 \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_renew_matrix:
8245     {
8246         \RenewDocumentEnvironment { pmatrix } { }
8247         { \pNiceMatrix }
8248         { \endpNiceMatrix }
8249         \RenewDocumentEnvironment { vmatrix } { }
8250         { \vNiceMatrix }

```

```

8251   { \endvNiceMatrix }
8252   \RenewDocumentEnvironment { Vmatrix } { }
8253     { \VNiceMatrix }
8254     { \endVNiceMatrix }
8255   \RenewDocumentEnvironment { bmatrix } { }
8256     { \bNiceMatrix }
8257     { \endbNiceMatrix }
8258   \RenewDocumentEnvironment { Bmatrix } { }
8259     { \BNiceMatrix }
8260     { \endBNiceMatrix }
8261 }

```

29 Automatic arrays

We will extract some keys and pass the other keys to the environment `{NiceArrayWithDelims}`.

```

8262 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / Auto }
8263 {
8264   columns-type .tl_set:N = \l_@@_columns_type_tl ,
8265   columns-type .value_required:n = true ,
8266   l .meta:n = { columns-type = l } ,
8267   r .meta:n = { columns-type = r } ,
8268   c .meta:n = { columns-type = c } ,
8269   delimiters / color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
8270   delimiters / color .value_required:n = true ,
8271   delimiters / max-width .bool_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_max_width_bool ,
8272   delimiters / max-width .default:n = true ,
8273   delimiters .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / delimiters } { #1 } ,
8274   delimiters .value_required:n = true ,
8275   rounded-corners .dim_set:N = \l_@@_tab_rounded_corners_dim ,
8276   rounded-corners .default:n = 4 pt
8277 }
8278 \NewDocumentCommand \AutoNiceMatrixWithDelims
8279   { m m 0 { } > { \SplitArgument { 1 } { - } } m 0 { } m ! 0 { } }
8280   { \@@_auto_nice_matrix:nnnnnn { #1 } { #2 } #4 { #6 } { #3 , #5 , #7 } }
8281 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_auto_nice_matrix:nnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6
8282 {

```

The group is for the protection of the keys.

```

8283 \group_begin:
8284 \keys_set_known:nnN { nicematrix / Auto } { #6 } \l_tmpa_tl
8285 \use:e
8286 {
8287   \exp_not:N \begin { NiceArrayWithDelims } { #1 } { #2 }
8288   { * { #4 } { \exp_not:o \l_@@_columns_type_tl } }
8289   [ \exp_not:o \l_tmpa_tl ]
8290 }
8291 \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_first_row_int
8292 {
8293   \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_first_col_int { & }
8294   \prg_replicate:nn { #4 - 1 } { & }
8295   \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_col_int > { -1 } { & } \\
8296 }
8297 \prg_replicate:nn { #3 }
8298 {
8299   \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_first_col_int { & }

```

We put `{ }` before `#6` to avoid a hasty expansion of a potential `\arabic{iRow}` at the beginning of the row which would result in an incorrect value of that `iRow` (since `iRow` is incremented in the first cell of the row of the `\halign`).

```

8300 \prg_replicate:nn { #4 - 1 } { { } #5 & } #5
8301 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_col_int > { -1 } { & } \\

```

```

8302     }
8303     \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_row_int > { -2 }
8304     {
8305         \int_if_zero:nT \l_@@_first_col_int { & }
8306         \prg_replicate:nn { #4 - 1 } { & }
8307         \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_last_col_int > { -1 } { & } \\
8308     }
8309 \end { NiceArrayWithDelims }
8310 \group_end:
8311 }

8312 \cs_set_protected:Npn \@@_define_com:nnn #1 #2 #3
8313 {
8314     \cs_set_protected:cpx { #1 AutoNiceMatrix }
8315     {
8316         \bool_gset_true:N \g_@@_delims_bool
8317         \str_gset:Nx \g_@@_name_env_str { #1 AutoNiceMatrix }
8318         \AutoNiceMatrixWithDelims { #2 } { #3 }
8319     }
8320 }

8321 \@@_define_com:nnn p ( )
8322 \@@_define_com:nnn b [ ]
8323 \@@_define_com:nnn v | |
8324 \@@_define_com:nnn V \| \|
8325 \@@_define_com:nnn B \{ \}

```

We define also a command `\AutoNiceMatrix` similar to the environment `{NiceMatrix}`.

```

8326 \NewDocumentCommand \AutoNiceMatrix { O { } m O { } m ! O { } }
8327 {
8328     \group_begin:
8329     \bool_gset_false:N \g_@@_delims_bool
8330     \AutoNiceMatrixWithDelims . . { #2 } { #4 } [ #1 , #3 , #5 ]
8331     \group_end:
8332 }

```

30 The redefinition of the command `\dotfill`

```

8333 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_dotfill \dotfill
8334 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_dotfill:
8335 {

```

First, we insert `\@@_dotfill` (which is the saved version of `\dotfill`) in case of use of `\dotfill` “internally” in the cell (e.g. `\hbox to 1cm {\dotfill}`).

```

8336     \@@_old_dotfill
8337     \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_cell_after_hook_tl \@@_dotfill_i:
8338 }

```

Now, if the box if not empty (unfortunately, we can't actually test whether the box is empty and that's why we only consider it's width), we insert `\@@_dotfill` (which is the saved version of `\dotfill`) in the cell of the array, and it will extend, since it is no longer in `\l_@@_cell_box`.

```

8339 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_dotfill_i:
8340     { \dim_compare:nNnT { \box_wd:N \l_@@_cell_box } = \c_zero_dim \@@_old_dotfill }

```

31 The command `\diagbox`

The command `\diagbox` will be linked to `\diagbox:nn` in the environments of `nicematrix`. However, there are also redefinitions of `\diagbox` in other circumstances.

```

8341 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_diagbox:nn #1 #2
8342 {
8343   \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
8344   {
8345     \@@_actually_diagbox:nnnnnn
8346     { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
8347     { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
8348     { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
8349     { \int_use:N \c@jCol }

```

\g_@@_row_style_tl contains several instructions of the form:

```
\@@_if_row_less_than:nn { number } { instructions }
```

The command \@@_if_row_less:nn is fully expandable and, thus, the instructions will be inserted in the \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl only if \diagbox is used in a row which is the scope of that chunk of instructions.

```

8350   { \g_@@_row_style_tl \exp_not:n { #1 } }
8351   { \g_@@_row_style_tl \exp_not:n { #2 } }
8352 }

```

We put the cell with \diagbox in the sequence \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq because a cell with \diagbox must be considered as non empty by the key corners.

```

8353 \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
8354 {
8355   { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
8356   { \int_use:N \c@jCol }
8357   { \int_use:N \c@iRow }
8358   { \int_use:N \c@jCol }

```

The last argument is for the name of the block.

```

8359   { }
8360 }
8361 }

```

The command \diagbox is also redefined locally when we draw a block.

The first four arguments of \@@_actually_diagbox:nnnnnn correspond to the rectangle (=block) to slash (we recall that it's possible to use \diagbox in a \Block). The other two are the elements to draw below and above the diagonal line.

```

8362 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_actually_diagbox:nnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6
8363 {
8364   \pgfpicture
8365   \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
8366   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
8367   \@@_qpoint:n { row - #1 }
8368   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
8369   \@@_qpoint:n { col - #2 }
8370   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpb_dim \pgf@x
8371   \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \l_tmpb_dim \l_tmpa_dim }
8372   \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { #3 + 1 } }
8373   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@y
8374   \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { #4 + 1 } }
8375   \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_tmpd_dim \pgf@x
8376   \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpd_dim \l_@@_tmpc_dim }
8377 }

```

The command \CT@arc@ is a command of colortbl which sets the color of the rules in the array. The package nicematrix uses it even if colortbl is not loaded.

```

8378 \CT@arc@
8379 \pgfsetroundcap
8380 \pgfusepathqstroke
8381 }
8382 \pgfset { inner_sep = 1 pt }
8383 \pgfscope
8384 \pgftransformshift { \pgfpoint \l_tmpb_dim \l_@@_tmpc_dim }

```

```

8385 \pgfnode { rectangle } { south-west }
8386 {
8387   \begin { minipage } { 20 cm }
8388   \@@_math_toggle: #5 \@@_math_toggle:
8389   \end { minipage }
8390 }
8391 {
8392 {
8393 \endpgfscope
8394 \pgftransformshift { \pgfpoint \l_@@_tmpd_dim \l_tmpa_dim }
8395 \pgfnode { rectangle } { north-east }
8396 {
8397   \begin { minipage } { 20 cm }
8398   \raggedleft
8399   \@@_math_toggle: #6 \@@_math_toggle:
8400   \end { minipage }
8401 }
8402 {
8403 {
8404 \endpgfpicture
8405 }

```

32 The keyword \CodeAfter

In fact, in this subsection, we define the user command `\CodeAfter` for the case of the “normal syntax”. For the case of “light-syntax”, see the definition of the environment `{@-light-syntax}` on p. 83.

In the environments of `nicematrix`, `\CodeAfter` will be linked to `\@@_CodeAfter::`. That macro must *not* be protected since it begins with `\omit`.

```
8406 \cs_new:Npn \@@_CodeAfter: { \omit \@@_CodeAfter_i:n }
```

However, in each cell of the environment, the command `\CodeAfter` will be linked to the following command `\@@_CodeAfter_i:n` which begins with `\\\`.

```
8407 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_CodeAfter_i: { \\ \omit \@@_CodeAfter_i:n }
```

We have to catch everything until the end of the current environment (of `nicematrix`). First, we go until the next command `\end`.

```

8408 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_CodeAfter_i:n #1 \end
8409 {
8410   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl { #1 }
8411   \@@_CodeAfter_iv:n
8412 }
```

We catch the argument of the command `\end` (in `#1`).

```
8413 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_CodeAfter_iv:n #1
8414 {
```

If this is really the end of the current environment (of `nicematrix`), we put back the command `\end` and its argument in the TeX flow.

```
8415 \str_if_eq:eeTF \currenvir { #1 }
8416   { \end { #1 } }
```

If this is not the `\end` we are looking for, we put those tokens in `\g_nicematrix_code_after_tl` and we go on searching for the next command `\end` with a recursive call to the command `\@@_CodeAfter:n`.

```

8417 {
8418   \tl_gput_right:Nn \g_nicematrix_code_after_tl { \end { #1 } }
8419   \@@_CodeAfter_i:n
8420 }
8421 }
```

33 The delimiters in the preamble

The command `\@@_delimiter:nnn` will be used to draw delimiters inside the matrix when delimiters are specified in the preamble of the array. It does *not* concern the exterior delimiters added by `{NiceArrayWithDelims}` (and `{pNiceArray}`, `{pNiceMatrix}`, etc.).

A delimiter in the preamble of the array will write an instruction `\@@_delimiter:nnn` in the `\g_@@_pre_code_after_t1` (and also potentially add instructions in the preamble provided to `\array` in order to add space between columns).

The first argument is the type of delimiter ((, [, \{,),] or \}). The second argument is the number of colummn. The third argument is a boolean equal to `\c_true_bool` (resp. `\c_false_true`) when the delimiter must be put on the left (resp. right) side.

```
8422 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_delimiter:nnn #1 #2 #3
8423 {
8424   \pgfpicture
8425   \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
8426   \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
```

`\l_@@_y_initial_dim` and `\l_@@_y_final_dim` will be the *y*-values of the extremities of the delimiter we will have to construct.

```
8427 \@@_qpoint:n { row - 1 }
8428 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_initial_dim \pgf@y
8429 \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \c@iRow + 1 } }
8430 \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_y_final_dim \pgf@y
```

We will compute in `\l_tmpa_dim` the *x*-value where we will have to put our delimiter (on the left side or on the right side).

```
8431 \bool_if:nTF { #3 }
8432   { \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \c_max_dim }
8433   { \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim { - \c_max_dim } }
8434 \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int
8435   {
8436     \cs_if_exist:cT
8437       { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - #2 }
8438     {
8439       \pgfpointanchor
8440         { \@@_env: - ##1 - #2 }
8441         { \bool_if:nTF { #3 } { west } { east } }
8442       \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim
8443         { \bool_if:nTF { #3 } \dim_min:nn \dim_max:nn \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@x }
8444     }
8445   }
```

Now we can put the delimiter with a node of PGF.

```
8446 \pgfset { inner_sep = \c_zero_dim }
8447 \dim_zero:N \nulldelimiterspace
8448 \pgftransformshift
8449   {
8450     \pgfpoint
8451       { \l_tmpa_dim }
8452       { ( \l_@@_y_initial_dim + \l_@@_y_final_dim + \arrayrulewidth ) / 2 }
8453   }
8454 \pgfnode
8455   { rectangle }
8456   { \bool_if:nTF { #3 } { east } { west } }
8457 }
```

Here is the content of the PGF node, that is to say the delimiter, constructed with its right size.

```
8458 \nullfont
8459 \c_math_toggle_token
8460 \@@_color:o \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl
8461 \bool_if:nTF { #3 } { \left #1 } { \left . }
```

```

8462     \vcenter
8463     {
8464         \nullfont
8465         \hrule \height
8466             \dim_eval:n { \l_@@_y_initial_dim - \l_@@_y_final_dim }
8467             \depth \c_zero_dim
8468             \width \c_zero_dim
8469     }
8470     \bool_if:nTF { #3 } { \right . } { \right #1 }
8471     \c_math_toggle_token
8472 }
8473 {
8474 }
8475 \endpgfpicture
8476 }

```

34 The command \SubMatrix

```

8477 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / sub-matrix }
8478 {
8479     extra-height .dim_set:N = \l_@@_submatrix_extra_height_dim ,
8480     extra-height .value_required:n = true ,
8481     left-xshift .dim_set:N = \l_@@_submatrix_left_xshift_dim ,
8482     left-xshift .value_required:n = true ,
8483     right-xshift .dim_set:N = \l_@@_submatrix_right_xshift_dim ,
8484     right-xshift .value_required:n = true ,
8485     xshift .meta:n = { left-xshift = #1, right-xshift = #1 } ,
8486     xshift .value_required:n = true ,
8487     delimiters / color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
8488     delimiters / color .value_required:n = true ,
8489     slim .bool_set:N = \l_@@_submatrix_slim_bool ,
8490     slim .default:n = true ,
8491     hlines .clist_set:N = \l_@@_submatrix_hlines_clist ,
8492     hlines .default:n = all ,
8493     vlines .clist_set:N = \l_@@_submatrix_vlines_clist ,
8494     vlines .default:n = all ,
8495     hvlines .meta:n = { hlines, vlines } ,
8496     hvlines .value_forbidden:n = true
8497 }
8498 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix }
8499 {
8500     SubMatrix .inherit:n = nicematrix / sub-matrix ,
8501     NiceArray / sub-matrix .inherit:n = nicematrix / sub-matrix ,
8502     pNiceArray / sub-matrix .inherit:n = nicematrix / sub-matrix ,
8503     NiceMatrixOptions / sub-matrix .inherit:n = nicematrix / sub-matrix ,
8504 }

```

The following keys set is for the command \SubMatrix itself (not the tuning of \SubMatrix that can be done elsewhere).

```

8505 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / SubMatrix }
8506 {
8507     delimiters / color .tl_set:N = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
8508     delimiters / color .value_required:n = true ,
8509     hlines .clist_set:N = \l_@@_submatrix_hlines_clist ,
8510     hlines .default:n = all ,
8511     vlines .clist_set:N = \l_@@_submatrix_vlines_clist ,
8512     vlines .default:n = all ,
8513     hvlines .meta:n = { hlines, vlines } ,
8514     hvlines .value_forbidden:n = true ,
8515     name .code:n =

```

```

8516 \tl_if_empty:nTF { #1 }
8517   { \@@_error:n { Invalid-name } }
8518   {
8519     \regex_match:nnTF { \A[A-Za-z][A-Za-z0-9]*\Z } { #1 }
8520     {
8521       \seq_if_in:NnTF \g_@@_submatrix_names_seq { #1 }
8522         { \@@_error:nn { Duplicate-name-for-SubMatrix } { #1 } }
8523         {
8524           \str_set:Nn \l_@@_submatrix_name_str { #1 }
8525           \seq_gput_right:Nn \g_@@_submatrix_names_seq { #1 }
8526         }
8527       }
8528     { \@@_error:n { Invalid-name } }
8529   },
8530   name .value_required:n = true ,
8531   rules .code:n = \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / rules } { #1 } ,
8532   rules .value_required:n = true ,
8533   code .tl_set:N = \l_@@_code_tl ,
8534   code .value_required:n = true ,
8535   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-SubMatrix }
8536 }

8537 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_SubMatrix_in_code_before { m m m m ! O { } }
8538 {
8539   \peek_remove_spaces:n
8540   {
8541     \tl_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_pre_code_after_tl
8542     {
8543       \SubMatrix { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } { #4 }
8544       [
8545         delimiters / color = \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl ,
8546         hlines = \l_@@_submatrix_hlines_clist ,
8547         vlines = \l_@@_submatrix_vlines_clist ,
8548         extra-height = \dim_use:N \l_@@_submatrix_extra_height_dim ,
8549         left-xshift = \dim_use:N \l_@@_submatrix_left_xshift_dim ,
8550         right-xshift = \dim_use:N \l_@@_submatrix_right_xshift_dim ,
8551         slim = \bool_to_str:N \l_@@_submatrix_slim_bool ,
8552         #5
8553       ]
8554     }
8555     \@@_SubMatrix_in_code_before_i { #2 } { #3 }
8556   }
8557 }

8558 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_SubMatrix_in_code_before_i
8559   { > { \SplitArgument { 1 } { - } } m > { \SplitArgument { 1 } { - } } m }
8560   { \@@_SubMatrix_in_code_before_i:nnnn #1 #2 }

8561 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_SubMatrix_in_code_before_i:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
8562 {
8563   \seq_gput_right:Nx \g_@@_submatrix_seq
8564   {

```

We use `\str_if_eq:nnTF` because it is fully expandable.

```

8565   { \str_if_eq:nnTF { #1 } { last } { \int_use:N \c@iRow } { #1 } }
8566   { \str_if_eq:nnTF { #2 } { last } { \int_use:N \c@jCol } { #2 } }
8567   { \str_if_eq:nnTF { #3 } { last } { \int_use:N \c@iRow } { #3 } }
8568   { \str_if_eq:nnTF { #4 } { last } { \int_use:N \c@jCol } { #4 } }
8569 }
8570 }
```

In the pre-code-after and in the `\CodeAfter` the following command `\@@_SubMatrix` will be linked to `\SubMatrix`.

- #1 is the left delimiter;

- #2 is the upper-left cell of the matrix with the format $i-j$;
- #3 is the lower-right cell of the matrix with the format $i-j$;
- #4 is the right delimiter;
- #5 is the list of options of the command;
- #6 is the potential subscript;
- #7 is the potential superscript.

For explanations about the construction with rescanning of the preamble, see the documentation for the user command \Cdots.

```

8571 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
8572 {
8573   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_argspec_tl { m m m m 0 { } E { _ ^ } { { } { } } }
8574   \tl_set_rescan:Nno \l_@@_argspec_tl { } \l_@@_argspec_tl
8575   \exp_args:NNo \NewDocumentCommand \@@_SubMatrix \l_@@_argspec_tl
8576   {
8577     \peek_remove_spaces:n
8578     {
8579       \@@_sub_matrix:nnnnnnn
8580       { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } { #4 } { #5 } { #6 } { #7 }
8581     }
8582   }
8583 }
```

The following macro will compute \l_@@_first_i_tl, \l_@@_first_j_tl, \l_@@_last_i_tl and \l_@@_last_j_tl from the arguments of the command as provided by the user (for example 2-3 and 5-last).

```

8584 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_compute_i_j:nn
8585   { > { \SplitArgument { 1 } { - } } m > { \SplitArgument { 1 } { - } } m }
8586   { \@@_compute_i_j:nnnn #1 #2 }
8587 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_compute_i_j:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
8588 {
8589   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_first_i_tl { #1 }
8590   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_first_j_tl { #2 }
8591   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_last_i_tl { #3 }
8592   \cs_set_nopar:Npn \l_@@_last_j_tl { #4 }
8593   \tl_if_eq:NnT \l_@@_first_i_tl { last }
8594     { \tl_set:NV \l_@@_first_i_tl \c@iRow }
8595   \tl_if_eq:NnT \l_@@_first_j_tl { last }
8596     { \tl_set:NV \l_@@_first_j_tl \c@jCol }
8597   \tl_if_eq:NnT \l_@@_last_i_tl { last }
8598     { \tl_set:NV \l_@@_last_i_tl \c@iRow }
8599   \tl_if_eq:NnT \l_@@_last_j_tl { last }
8600     { \tl_set:NV \l_@@_last_j_tl \c@jCol }
8601 }
8602 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_sub_matrix:nnnnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6 #7
8603 {
8604   \group_begin:
```

The four following token lists correspond to the position of the \SubMatrix.

```

8605 \@@_compute_i_j:nn { #2 } { #3 }
8606 \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_first_i_tl = \l_@@_last_i_tl
8607   { \cs_set_nopar:Npn \arraystretch { 1 } }
8608 \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
8609   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_last_i_tl > \g_@@_row_total_int }
8610   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_last_j_tl > \g_@@_col_total_int }
8611   { \@@_error:nn { Construct-too-large } { \SubMatrix } }
8612   {
8613     \str_clear_new:N \l_@@_submatrix_name_str
8614     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / SubMatrix } { #5 }
```

```

8615     \pgfpicture
8616     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
8617     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
8618     \pgfset { inner~sep = \c_zero_dim }
8619     \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \c_max_dim
8620     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim { - \c_max_dim }

```

The last value of \int_step_inline:n is provided by currification.

```

8621     \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_submatrix_slim_bool
8622     { \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_i_tl \l_@@_last_i_tl }
8623     { \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_row_int \g_@@_row_total_int }
8624     {
8625         \cs_if_exist:cT
8626         { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - \l_@@_first_j_tl }
8627         {
8628             \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - ##1 - \l_@@_first_j_tl } { west }
8629             \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim
8630             { \dim_min:nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x }
8631         }
8632         \cs_if_exist:cT
8633         { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - \l_@@_last_j_tl }
8634         {
8635             \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - ##1 - \l_@@_last_j_tl } { east }
8636             \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim
8637             { \dim_max:nn \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x }
8638         }
8639     }
8640     \dim_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_x_initial_dim = \c_max_dim
8641     { \@@_error:nn { Impossible~delimiter } { left } }
8642     {
8643         \dim_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_x_final_dim = { - \c_max_dim }
8644         { \@@_error:nn { Impossible~delimiter } { right } }
8645         { \@@_sub_matrix_i:nnnn { #1 } { #4 } { #6 } { #7 } }
8646     }
8647     \endpgfpicture
8648 }
8649 \group_end:
8650 }

```

#1 is the left delimiter, #2 is the right one, #3 is the subscript and #4 is the superscript.

```

8651 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_sub_matrix_i:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
8652 {
8653     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \l_@@_first_i_tl - base }
8654     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim
8655     {
8656         \fp_to_dim:n
8657         {
8658             \pgf@y
8659             + ( \box_ht:N \strutbox + \extrarowheight ) * \arraystretch
8660         }
8661     }
8662     \@@_qpoint:n { row - \l_@@_last_i_tl - base }
8663     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_final_dim
8664     { \fp_to_dim:n { \pgf@y - ( \box_dp:N \strutbox ) * \arraystretch } }
8665     \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_col_int \g_@@_col_total_int
8666     {
8667         \cs_if_exist:cT
8668         { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - \l_@@_first_i_tl - ##1 }
8669         {
8670             \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - \l_@@_first_i_tl - ##1 } { north }
8671             \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim
8672             { \dim_max:nn \l_@@_y_initial_dim \pgf@y }
8673         }

```

```

8674 \cs_if_exist:cT
8675   { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - \l_@@_last_i_tl - ##1 }
8676   {
8677     \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - \l_@@_last_i_tl - ##1 } { south }
8678     \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_y_final_dim
8679       { \dim_min:nn \l_@@_y_final_dim \pgf@y }
8680   }
8681 }
8682 \dim_set:Nn \l_tmpa_dim
8683 {
8684   \l_@@_y_initial_dim - \l_@@_y_final_dim +
8685   \l_@@_submatrix_extra_height_dim - \arrayrulewidth
8686 }
8687 \dim_zero:N \nulldelimeterspace

```

We will draw the rules in the `\SubMatrix`.

```

8688 \group_begin:
8689 \pgfsetlinewidth { 1.1 \arrayrulewidth }
8690 \@@_set_Carc@o \l_@@_rules_color_tl
8691 \CTCarc@

```

Now, we draw the potential vertical rules specified in the preamble of the environments with the letter fixed with the key `vlines-in-sub-matrix`. The list of the columns where there is such rule to draw is in `\g_@@_cols_vlism_seq`.

```

8692 \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_cols_vlism_seq
8693 {
8694   \int_compare:nNnT \l_@@_first_j_tl < { ##1 }
8695   {
8696     \int_compare:nNnT
8697       { ##1 } < { \int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_j_tl + 1 } }
8698   }

```

First, we extract the value of the abscissa of the rule we have to draw.

```

8699   \@@_qpoint:n { col - ##1 }
8700   \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \pgf@x \l_@@_y_initial_dim }
8701   \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \pgf@x \l_@@_y_final_dim }
8702   \pgfusepathqstroke
8703 }
8704 }
8705 }

```

Now, we draw the vertical rules specified in the key `vlines` of `\SubMatrix`. The last argument of `\int_step_inline:nn` or `\clist_map_inline:Nn` is given by curryification.

```

8706 \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_submatrix_vlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
8707   { \int_step_inline:nn { \l_@@_last_j_tl - \l_@@_first_j_tl } }
8708   { \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_submatrix_vlines_clist }
8709   {
8710     \bool_lazy_and:nnTF
8711       { \int_compare_p:nNn { ##1 } > \c_zero_int }
8712       {
8713         \int_compare_p:nNn
8714           { ##1 } < { \l_@@_last_j_tl - \l_@@_first_j_tl + 1 } }
8715       {
8716         \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { ##1 + \l_@@_first_j_tl } }
8717         \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \pgf@x \l_@@_y_initial_dim }
8718         \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \pgf@x \l_@@_y_final_dim }
8719         \pgfusepathqstroke
8720       }
8721       { \@@_error:nnn { Wrong~line~in~SubMatrix } { vertical } { ##1 } }
8722   }

```

Now, we draw the horizontal rules specified in the key `hlines` of `\SubMatrix`. The last argument of `\int_step_inline:nn` or `\clist_map_inline:Nn` is given by curryification.

```

8723 \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_@@_submatrix_hlines_clist \c_@@_all_tl
8724 { \int_step_inline:nn { \l_@@_last_i_tl - \l_@@_first_i_tl } }
8725 { \clist_map_inline:Nn \l_@@_submatrix_hlines_clist }
8726 {
8727     \bool_lazy_and:nTF
8728     { \int_compare_p:nNn { ##1 } > \c_zero_int }
8729     {
8730         \int_compare_p:nNn
8731         { ##1 } < { \l_@@_last_i_tl - \l_@@_first_i_tl + 1 }
8732     }
8733     \qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { ##1 + \l_@@_first_i_tl } }

```

We use a group to protect \l_{tmpa_dim} and \l_{tmpb_dim} .

```
8734 \group_begin:
```

We compute in \l_{tmpa_dim} the x -value of the left end of the rule.

```

8735     \dim_set:Nn \l_{tmpa_dim}
8736     { \l_@@_x_initial_dim - \l_@@_submatrix_left_xshift_dim }
8737     \str_case:nn { #1 }
8738     {
8739         ( { \dim_sub:Nn \l_{tmpa_dim} { 0.9 mm } }
8740         [ { \dim_sub:Nn \l_{tmpa_dim} { 0.2 mm } }
8741         \{ { \dim_sub:Nn \l_{tmpa_dim} { 0.9 mm } }
8742     }
8743     \pgfpathmoveto { \pgfpoint \l_{tmpa_dim} \pgf@y }

```

We compute in \l_{tmpb_dim} the x -value of the right end of the rule.

```

8744     \dim_set:Nn \l_{tmpb_dim}
8745     { \l_@@_x_final_dim + \l_@@_submatrix_right_xshift_dim }
8746     \str_case:nn { #2 }
8747     {
8748         ) { \dim_add:Nn \l_{tmpb_dim} { 0.9 mm } }
8749         ] { \dim_add:Nn \l_{tmpb_dim} { 0.2 mm } }
8750         \} { \dim_add:Nn \l_{tmpb_dim} { 0.9 mm } }
8751     }
8752     \pgfpathlineto { \pgfpoint \l_{tmpb_dim} \pgf@y }
8753     \pgfusepathqstroke
8754     \group_end:
8755   }
8756   { \qerror:nnn { Wrong-line-in-SubMatrix } { horizontal } { ##1 } }
8757 }
```

If the key `name` has been used for the command `\SubMatrix`, we create a PGF node with that name for the submatrix (this node does not encompass the delimiters that we will put after).

```

8758 \str_if_empty:NF \l_@@_submatrix_name_str
8759 {
8760     \q_pgf_rect_node:nnnn \l_@@_submatrix_name_str
8761     \l_@@_x_initial_dim \l_@@_y_initial_dim
8762     \l_@@_x_final_dim \l_@@_y_final_dim
8763 }
8764 \group_end:
```

The group was for `\CT@arc@` (the color of the rules).

Now, we deal with the left delimiter. Of course, the environment `{pgfscope}` is for the `\pgftransformshift`.

```

8765 \begin{pgfscope}
8766 \pgftransformshift
8767 {
8768     \pgfpoint
8769     { \l_@@_x_initial_dim - \l_@@_submatrix_left_xshift_dim }
8770     { ( \l_@@_y_initial_dim + \l_@@_y_final_dim ) / 2 }
8771 }
8772 \str_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_submatrix_name_str
8773 { \q_node_left:nn #1 { } }
```

```

8774 { \@@_node_left:nn #1 { \@@_env: - \l_@@_submatrix_name_str - left } }
8775 \end { pgfscope }

```

Now, we deal with the right delimiter.

```

8776 \pgftransformshift
8777 {
8778   \pgfpoint
8779     { \l_@@_x_final_dim + \l_@@_submatrix_right_xshift_dim }
8780     { ( \l_@@_y_initial_dim + \l_@@_y_final_dim ) / 2 }
8781 }
8782 \str_if_empty:NTF \l_@@_submatrix_name_str
8783   { \@@_node_right:nnnn #2 { } { #3 } { #4 } }
8784   {
8785     \@@_node_right:nnnn #2
8786       { \@@_env: - \l_@@_submatrix_name_str - right } { #3 } { #4 }
8787   }
8788 \cs_set_eq:NN \pgfpointanchor \@@_pgfpointanchor:n
8789 \flag_clear_new:n { nicematrix }
8790 \l_@@_code_tl
8791 }

```

In the key `code` of the command `\SubMatrix` there may be Tikz instructions. We want that, in these instructions, the i and j in specifications of nodes of the forms $i-j$, `row-i`, `col-j` and $i-|j$ refer to the number of row and column *relative* of the current `\SubMatrix`. That's why we will patch (locally in the `\SubMatrix`) the command `\pgfpointanchor`.

```

8792 \cs_set_eq:NN \@@_old_pgfpointanchor \pgfpointanchor

```

The following command will be linked to `\pgfpointanchor` just before the execution of the option `code` of the command `\SubMatrix`. In this command, we catch the argument `#1` of `\pgfpointanchor` and we apply to it the command `\@@_pgfpointanchor_i:nn` before passing it to the original `\pgfpointanchor`. We have to act in an expandable way because the command `\pgfpointanchor` is used in names of Tikz nodes which are computed in an expandable way.

```

8793 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_pgfpointanchor:n #1
8794 {
8795   \use:e
8796   { \exp_not:N \@@_old_pgfpointanchor { \@@_pgfpointanchor_i:nn #1 } }
8797 }

```

In fact, the argument of `\pgfpointanchor` is always of the form `\a_command { name_of_node }` where “`name_of_node`” is the name of the Tikz node without the potential prefix and suffix. That's why we catch two arguments and work only on the second by trying (first) to extract an hyphen `-`.

```

8798 \cs_new:Npn \@@_pgfpointanchor_i:nn #1 #2
8799   { #1 { \@@_pgfpointanchor_ii:w #2 - \q_stop } }

```

Since `\seq_if_in:NnTF` and `\clist_if_in:NnTF` are not expandable, we will use the following token list and `\str_case:nVT` to test whether we have an integer or not.

```

8800 \tl_const:Nn \c_@@_integers_alist_tl
8801 {
8802   { 1 } { } { 2 } { } { 3 } { } { 4 } { } { 5 } { }
8803   { 6 } { } { 7 } { } { 8 } { } { 9 } { } { 10 } { }
8804   { 11 } { } { 12 } { } { 13 } { } { 14 } { } { 15 } { }
8805   { 16 } { } { 17 } { } { 18 } { } { 19 } { } { 20 } { }
8806 }
8807 \cs_new:Npn \@@_pgfpointanchor_ii:w #1-#2\q_stop
8808   {

```

If there is no hyphen, that means that the node is of the form of a single number (ex.: 5 or 11). In that case, we are in an analysis which result from a specification of node of the form $i-j$. In that case, the i of the number of row arrives first (and alone) in a `\pgfpointanchor` and, the, the j arrives (alone) in the following `\pgfpointanchor`. In order to know whether we have a number of row or a number of column, we keep track of the number of such treatments by the expandable flag called `nicematrix`.

```

8809   \tl_if_empty:nTF { #2 }
8810   {
8811     \str_case:nVTF { #1 } \c_@@_integers alist_tl
8812     {
8813       \flag_raise:n { nicematrix }
8814       \int_if_even:nTF { \flag_height:n { nicematrix } }
8815         { \int_eval:n { #1 + \l_@@_first_i_tl - 1 } }
8816         { \int_eval:n { #1 + \l_@@_first_j_tl - 1 } }
8817     }
8818     { #1 }
8819   }
```

If there is an hyphen, we have to see whether we have a node of the form $i-j$, `row-i` or `col-j`.

```

8820   { \c_@@_pgfpointanchor_iii:w { #1 } #2 }
8821 }
```

There was an hyphen in the name of the node and that's why we have to retrieve the extra hyphen we have put (cf. `\c_@@_pgfpointanchor_i:nn`).

```

8822 \cs_new:Npn \c_@@_pgfpointanchor_iii:w #1 #2 -
8823 {
8824   \str_case:nnF { #1 }
8825   {
8826     { row } { row - \int_eval:n { #2 + \l_@@_first_i_tl - 1 } }
8827     { col } { col - \int_eval:n { #2 + \l_@@_first_j_tl - 1 } }
8828   }
```

Now the case of a node of the form $i-j$.

```

8829   {
8830     \int_eval:n { #1 + \l_@@_first_i_tl - 1 }
8831     - \int_eval:n { #2 + \l_@@_first_j_tl - 1 }
8832   }
8833 }
```

The command `\c_@@_node_left:nn` puts the left delimiter with the correct size. The argument `#1` is the delimiter to put. The argument `#2` is the name we will give to this PGF node (if the key `name` has been used in `\SubMatrix`).

```

8834 \cs_new_protected:Npn \c_@@_node_left:nn #1 #2
8835 {
8836   \pgfnode
8837   { rectangle }
8838   { east }
8839   {
8840     \nullfont
8841     \c_math_toggle_token
8842     \c_@@_color:o \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl
8843     \left #1
8844     \vcenter
8845     {
8846       \nullfont
8847       \hrule \Oheight \l_tmpa_dim
8848         \Odepth \c_zero_dim
8849         \Owidth \c_zero_dim
8850     }
8851     \right .
8852     \c_math_toggle_token
8853   }
8854 { #2 }
```

```

8855     { }
8856 }

The command \@@_node_right:nn puts the right delimiter with the correct size. The argument #1 is the delimiter to put. The argument #2 is the name we will give to this PGF node (if the key name has been used in \SubMatrix). The argument #3 is the subscript and #4 is the superscript.

8857 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_node_right:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
8858 {
8859     \pgfnode
8860         { rectangle }
8861         { west }
8862         {
8863             \nullfont
8864             \c_math_toggle_token
8865             \colorlet{current-color}{.}
8866             \@@_color:o \l_@@_delimiters_color_tl
8867             \left .
8868             \vcenter
8869             {
8870                 \nullfont
8871                 \hrule \Oheight \l_tmpa_dim
8872                     \Odepth \c_zero_dim
8873                     \Owidth \c_zero_dim
8874             }
8875             \right #1
8876             \tl_if_empty:nF {#3} { _ { \smash {#3} } }
8877             ^ { \color{current-color} \smash {#4} }
8878             \c_math_toggle_token
8879         }
8880         { #2 }
8881     { }
8882 }

```

35 Les commandes \UnderBrace et \OverBrace

The following commands will be linked to \UnderBrace and \OverBrace in the \CodeAfter.

```

8883 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_UnderBrace { O{ } m m m O{ } }
8884 {
8885     \peek_remove_spaces:n
8886     { \@@_brace:nnnn {#2} {#3} {#4} {#1, #5} { under } }
8887 }

8888 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_OverBrace { O{ } m m m O{ } }
8889 {
8890     \peek_remove_spaces:n
8891     { \@@_brace:nnnn {#2} {#3} {#4} {#1, #5} { over } }
8892 }

8893 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / Brace }
8894 {
8895     left-shorten .bool_set:N = \l_@@_brace_left_shorten_bool ,
8896     left-shorten .default:n = true ,
8897     left-shorten .value_forbidden:n = true ,
8898     right-shorten .bool_set:N = \l_@@_brace_right_shorten_bool ,
8899     right-shorten .default:n = true ,
8900     right-shorten .value_forbidden:n = true ,
8901     shorten .meta:n = { left-shorten , right-shorten } ,
8902     shorten .value_forbidden:n = true ,
8903     yshift .dim_set:N = \l_@@_brace_yshift_dim ,

```

```

8904     yshift .value_required:n = true ,
8905     yshift .initial:n = \c_zero_dim ,
8906     color .tl_set:N = \l_tmpa_tl ,
8907     color .value_required:n = true ,
8908     unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown~key~for~Brace }
8909   }

```

#1 is the first cell of the rectangle (with the syntax $i-j$; #2 is the last cell of the rectangle; #3 is the label of the text; #4 is the optional argument (a list of key-value pairs); #5 is equal to `under` or `over`.

```

8910 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_brace:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5
8911 {
8912   \group_begin:

```

The four following token lists correspond to the position of the sub-matrix to which a brace will be attached.

```

8913   \@@_compute_i_j:nn { #1 } { #2 }
8914   \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
8915   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_last_i_tl > \g_@@_row_total_int }
8916   { \int_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_last_j_tl > \g_@@_col_total_int }
8917   {
8918     \str_if_eq:nnTF { #5 } { under }
8919     { \@@_error:nn { Construct-too-large } { \UnderBrace } }
8920     { \@@_error:nn { Construct-too-large } { \OverBrace } }
8921   }
8922   {
8923     \tl_clear:N \l_tmpa_tl
8924     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / Brace } { #4 }
8925     \tl_if_empty:NF \l_tmpa_tl { \color { \l_tmpa_tl } }
8926     \pgfpicture
8927     \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
8928     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
8929     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_brace_left_shorten_bool
8930     {
8931       \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \c_max_dim
8932       \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_i_tl \l_@@_last_i_tl
8933       {
8934         \cs_if_exist:cT
8935         { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - \l_@@_first_j_tl }
8936         {
8937           \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - ##1 - \l_@@_first_j_tl } { west }
8938           \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim
8939           { \dim_min:nn \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x }
8940         }
8941       }
8942     }
8943     \bool_lazy_or:nnT
8944     { \bool_not_p:n \l_@@_brace_left_shorten_bool }
8945     { \dim_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_x_initial_dim = \c_max_dim }
8946     {
8947       \@@_qpoint:n { col - \l_@@_first_j_tl }
8948       \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_initial_dim \pgf@x
8949     }
8950     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_brace_right_shorten_bool
8951     {
8952       \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim { - \c_max_dim }
8953       \int_step_inline:nnn \l_@@_first_i_tl \l_@@_last_i_tl
8954       {
8955         \cs_if_exist:cT
8956         { \pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - ##1 - \l_@@_last_j_tl }
8957         {
8958           \pgfpointanchor { \@@_env: - ##1 - \l_@@_last_j_tl } { east }
8959           \dim_set:Nn \l_@@_x_final_dim
8960           { \dim_max:nn \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x }
8961         }

```

```

8962         }
8963     }
8964     \bool_lazy_or:nnT
8965     { \bool_not_p:n \l_@@_brace_right_shorten_bool }
8966     { \dim_compare_p:nNn \l_@@_x_final_dim = { - \c_max_dim } }
8967     {
8968       \qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_j_tl + 1 } }
8969       \dim_set_eq:NN \l_@@_x_final_dim \pgf@x
8970     }
8971     \pgfset { inner_sep = \c_zero_dim }
8972     \str_if_eq:nnTF { #5 } { under }
8973     { \underbrace_i:n { #3 } }
8974     { \overbrace_i:n { #3 } }
8975   \endpgfpicture
8976 }
8977 \group_end:
8978 }
```

The argument is the text to put above the brace.

```

8979 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_overbrace_i:n #1
8980 {
8981   \qpoint:n { row - \l_@@_first_i_tl }
8982   \pgftransformshift
8983   {
8984     \pgfpoint
8985     { ( \l_@@_x_initial_dim + \l_@@_x_final_dim ) / 2 }
8986     { \pgf@y + \l_@@_brace_yshift_dim - 3 pt }
8987   }
8988   \pgfnode
8989   { rectangle }
8990   { south }
8991   {
8992     \vtop
8993     {
8994       \group_begin:
8995       \everycr { }
8996       \halign
8997       {
8998         \hfil ## \hfil \crcr
8999         \math_toggle: #1 \math_toggle: \cr
9000         \noalign { \skip_vertical:n { 3 pt } \nointerlineskip }
9001         \c_math_toggle_token
9002         \overbrace
9003         {
9004           \hbox_to_wd:nn
9005           { \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim }
9006           { }
9007         }
9008         \c_math_toggle_token
9009         \cr
9010         }
9011       \group_end:
9012     }
9013   }
9014   { }
9015   { }
9016 }
```

The argument is the text to put under the brace.

```

9017 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_underbrace_i:n #1
9018 {
9019   \qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_i_tl + 1 } }
9020   \pgftransformshift
```

```

9021 {
9022   \pgfpoint
9023     { ( \l_@@_x_initial_dim + \l_@@_x_final_dim) / 2 }
9024     { \pgf@y - \l_@@_brace_yshift_dim + 3 pt }
9025   }
9026 \pgfnode
9027   { rectangle }
9028   { north }
9029   {
9030     \group_begin:
9031     \everycr { }
9032     \vbox
9033     {
9034       \halign
9035       {
9036         \hfil ## \hfil \cr\cr
9037         \c_math_toggle_token
9038         \underbrace
9039         {
9040           \hbox_to_wd:nn
9041             { \l_@@_x_final_dim - \l_@@_x_initial_dim }
9042             { }
9043           }
9044           \c_math_toggle_token
9045           \cr
9046           \noalign { \skip_vertical:n { 3 pt } \nointerlineskip }
9047           \@@_math_toggle: #1 \@@_math_toggle: \cr
9048         }
9049       }
9050     \group_end:
9051   }
9052   { }
9053   { }
9054 }

```

36 The command `TikzEveryCell`

```

9055 \bool_new:N \l_@@_not_empty_bool
9056 \bool_new:N \l_@@_empty_bool
9057
9058 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / TikzEveryCell }
9059 {
9060   not-empty .code:n =
9061   \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
9062     \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9063     \g_@@_recreate_cell_nodes_bool
9064     { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_not_empty_bool }
9065     { \@@_error:n { detection-of-empty-cells } } ,
9066   not-empty .value_forbidden:n = true ,
9067   empty .code:n =
9068   \bool_lazy_or:nnTF
9069     \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9070     \g_@@_recreate_cell_nodes_bool
9071     { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_empty_bool }
9072     { \@@_error:n { detection-of-empty-cells } } ,
9073   empty .value_forbidden:n = true ,
9074   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-TikzEveryCell }
9075 }
9076

```

```

9077 \NewDocumentCommand { \@@_TikzEveryCell } { O{ } m }
9078 {
9079   \IfPackageLoadedTF { tikz }
9080   {
9081     \group_begin:
9082     \keys_set:nn { nicematrix / TikzEveryCell } { #1 }
9083   }
9084   \tl_set:Nn \l_tmpa_tl { { #2 } }
9085   \seq_map_inline:Nn \g_@@_pos_of_blocks_seq
9086   {
9087     \@@_for_a_block:nnnn ##1
9088     \@@_all_the_cells:
9089     \group_end:
9090   }
9091   { \@@_error:n { TikzEveryCell~without~tikz } }
9092 }
9093 \tl_new:N \@@_i_tl
9094 \tl_new:N \@@_j_tl
9095
9096 \cs_new_protected:Nn \@@_all_the_cells:
9097 {
9098   \int_step_variable:nNn { \int_use:c { c@iRow } } \@@_i_tl
9099   {
9100     \int_step_variable:nNn { \int_use:c { c@jCol } } \@@_j_tl
9101     {
9102       \cs_if_exist:cF { cell - \@@_i_tl - \@@_j_tl }
9103       {
9104         \exp_args:NN \seq_if_in:NnF \l_@@_corners_cells_seq
9105         { \@@_i_tl - \@@_j_tl }
9106         {
9107           \bool_set_false:N \l_tmpa_bool
9108           \cs_if_exist:cTF
9109             { pgf @ sh @ ns @ \@@_env: - \@@_i_tl - \@@_j_tl }
9110             {
9111               \bool_if:NF \l_@@_empty_bool
9112                 { \bool_set_true:N \l_tmpa_bool }
9113             }
9114             {
9115               \bool_if:NF \l_@@_not_empty_bool
9116                 { \bool_set_true:N \l_tmpa_bool }
9117             }
9118             \bool_if:NT \l_tmpa_bool
9119             {
9120               \@@_block_tikz:nnnnV
9121               \@@_i_tl \@@_j_tl \@@_i_tl \@@_j_tl \l_tmpa_tl
9122             }
9123           }
9124         }
9125       }
9126     }
9127   }
9128
9129 \cs_new_protected:Nn \@@_for_a_block:nnnn
9130 {
9131   \bool_if:NF \l_@@_empty_bool
9132   {
9133     \@@_block_tikz:nnnnV
9134     { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } { #4 } \l_tmpa_tl
9135   }
9136   \@@_mark_cells_of_block:nnnn { #1 } { #2 } { #3 } { #4 }
9137 }

```

```

9138 \cs_new_protected:Nn \@@_mark_cells_of_block:nnnn
9139 {
9140     \int_step_inline:nn { #1 } { #3 }
9141     {
9142         \int_step_inline:nnn { #2 } { #4 }
9143             { \cs_set:cpn { cell - ##1 - #####1 } { } }
9144     }
9145 }
9146 }
```

37 The command \ShowCellNames

```

9147 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_ShowCellNames_CodeBefore { }
9148 {
9149     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_tmpc_dim
9150     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_tmpd_dim
9151     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_tmpe_dim
9152     \int_step_inline:nn \c@iRow
9153     {
9154         \begin { pgfpicture }
9155             \@@_qpoint:n { row - ##1 }
9156             \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
9157             \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { ##1 + 1 } }
9158             \dim_gset:Nn \g_tmpa_dim { ( \l_tmpa_dim + \pgf@y ) / 2 }
9159             \dim_gset:Nn \g_tmpb_dim { \l_tmpa_dim - \pgf@y }
9160             \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9161                 \end { pgfpicture }
9162             \int_step_inline:nn \c@jCol
9163             {
9164                 \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box
9165                     { \normalfont \Large \color { red ! 50 } ##1 - #####1 }
9166                 \begin { pgfpicture }
9167                     \@@_qpoint:n { col - #####1 }
9168                     \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@x
9169                     \@@_qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { #####1 + 1 } }
9170                     \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_tmpd_dim { \pgf@x - \g_@@_tmpc_dim }
9171                     \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_tmpe_dim \pgf@x
9172                     \endpgfpicture
9173                     \end { pgfpicture }
9174                     \fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp
9175                     {
9176                         \fp_min:nn
9177                         {
9178                             \fp_min:nn
9179                             {
9180                                 \dim_ratio:nn
9181                                     { \g_@@_tmpd_dim }
9182                                     { \box_wd:N \l_tmpa_box }
9183                             }
9184                             {
9185                                 \dim_ratio:nn
9186                                     { \g_tmpb_dim }
9187                                     { \box_ht_plus_dp:N \l_tmpa_box }
9188                             }
9189                             {
9190                                 { 1.0 }
9191                             }
9192                             \box_scale:Nnn \l_tmpa_box
9193                             { \fp_use:N \l_tmpa_fp }
9194                             { \fp_use:N \l_tmpa_fp }
9195                             \pgfpicture
9196                             \pgfrememberpicture repositiononpage true
```

```

9197     \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
9198     \pgftransformshift
9199     {
9200         \pgfpoint
9201             { 0.5 * ( \g_@@_tmpc_dim + \g_@@_tmpd_dim ) }
9202             { \dim_use:N \g_tmpa_dim }
9203     }
9204     \pgfnode
9205         { rectangle }
9206         { center }
9207         { \box_use:N \l_tmpa_box }
9208         { }
9209         { }
9210     \endpgfpicture
9211 }
9212 }
9213 }

9214 \NewDocumentCommand \@@_ShowCellNames { }
9215 {
9216     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9217     {
9218         \pgfpicture
9219         \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
9220         \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
9221         \pgfpathrectanglecorners
9222             { \@@_qpoint:n { 1 } }
9223             {
9224                 \@@_qpoint:n
9225                     { \int_eval:n { \int_max:nn \c@iRow \c@jCol + 1 } }
9226             }
9227         \pgfsetfillopacity { 0.75 }
9228         \pgfsetfillcolor { white }
9229         \pgfusepathqfill
9230         \endpgfpicture
9231     }
9232     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_tmpc_dim
9233     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_tmpd_dim
9234     \dim_gzero_new:N \g_@@_tmpd_dim
9235     \int_step_inline:nn \c@iRow
9236     {
9237         \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9238         {
9239             \pgfpicture
9240             \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
9241             \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
9242         }
9243         { \begin { pgfpicture } }
9244         \@@_qpoint:n { row - ##1 }
9245         \dim_set_eq:NN \l_tmpa_dim \pgf@y
9246         \@@_qpoint:n { row - \int_eval:n { ##1 + 1 } }
9247         \dim_gset:Nn \g_tmpa_dim { ( \l_tmpa_dim + \pgf@y ) / 2 }
9248         \dim_gset:Nn \g_tmpb_dim { \l_tmpa_dim - \pgf@y }
9249         \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9250             { \endpgfpicture }
9251             { \end { pgfpicture } }
9252         \int_step_inline:nn \c@jCol
9253         {
9254             \hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box
9255             {
9256                 \normalfont \Large \sffamily \bfseries
9257                 \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9258                     { \color { red } }
9259                     { \color { red ! 50 } }

```

```

9260      ##1 - ####1
9261    }
9262    \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9263    {
9264      \pgfpicture
9265      \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
9266      \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
9267    }
9268    { \begin { pgfpicture } }
9269    \qpoint:n { col - ####1 }
9270    \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_tmpc_dim \pgf@x
9271    \qpoint:n { col - \int_eval:n { ####1 + 1 } }
9272    \dim_gset:Nn \g_@@_tmpd_dim { \pgf@x - \g_@@_tmpc_dim }
9273    \dim_gset_eq:NN \g_@@_tmpe_dim \pgf@x
9274    \bool_if:NTF \l_@@_in_code_after_bool
9275    { \endpgfpicture }
9276    { \end { pgfpicture } }
9277    \fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp
9278    {
9279      \fp_min:nn
9280      {
9281        \fp_min:nn
9282        { \dim_ratio:nn \g_@@_tmpd_dim { \box_wd:N \l_tmpa_box } }
9283        { \dim_ratio:nn \g_tmpb_dim { \box_ht_plus_dp:N \l_tmpa_box } }
9284      }
9285      { 1.0 }
9286    }
9287    \box_scale:Nnn \l_tmpa_box { \fp_use:N \l_tmpa_fp } { \fp_use:N \l_tmpa_fp }
9288    \pgfpicture
9289    \pgfrememberpicturepositiononpagetrue
9290    \pgf@relevantforpicturesizefalse
9291    \pgftransformshift
9292    {
9293      \pgfpoint
9294      { 0.5 * ( \g_@@_tmpc_dim + \g_@@_tmpe_dim ) }
9295      { \dim_use:N \g_tmpa_dim }
9296    }
9297    \pgfnode
9298    { rectangle }
9299    { center }
9300    { \box_use:N \l_tmpa_box }
9301    { }
9302    { }
9303    \endpgfpicture
9304  }
9305 }
9306 }

```

38 We process the options at package loading

We process the options when the package is loaded (with `\usepackage`) but we recommend to use `\NiceMatrixOptions` instead.

We must process these options after the definition of the environment `{NiceMatrix}` because the option `renew-matrix` executes the code `\cs_set_eq:NN \env@matrix \NiceMatrix`.

Of course, the command `\NiceMatrix` must be defined before such an instruction is executed.

The boolean `\g_@@_footnotehyper_bool` will indicate if the option `footnotehyper` is used.

```
9307 \bool_new:N \g_@@_footnotehyper_bool
```

The boolean `\g_@@_footnote_bool` will indicate if the option `footnote` is used, but quickly, it will also be set to `true` if the option `footnotehyper` is used.

```
9308 \bool_new:N \g_@@_footnote_bool
```

```

9309 \msg_new:nnn { nicematrix } { Unknown-key-for-package }
9310 {
9311   The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown. \\
9312   That~key~will~be~ignored. \\
9313   For~a~list~of~the~available~keys,~type~H~<return>.
9314 }
9315 {
9316   The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~
9317   footnote,~
9318   footnotehyper,~
9319   messages-for-Overleaf,~
9320   no-test-for-array,~
9321   renew-dots,~and~
9322   renew-matrix.
9323 }

9324 \keys_define:nn { nicematrix / Package }
9325 {
9326   renew-dots .bool_set:N = \l_@@_renew_dots_bool ,
9327   renew-dots .value_forbidden:n = true ,
9328   renew-matrix .code:n = \@@_renew_matrix: ,
9329   renew-matrix .value_forbidden:n = true ,
9330   messages-for-Overleaf .bool_set:N = \g_@@_messages_for_Overleaf_bool ,
9331   footnote .bool_set:N = \g_@@_footnote_bool ,
9332   footnotehyper .bool_set:N = \g_@@_footnotehyper_bool ,
9333   no-test-for-array .bool_set:N = \g_@@_no_test_for_array_bool ,
9334   no-test-for-array .default:n = true ,
9335   unknown .code:n = \@@_error:n { Unknown-key-for-package }
9336 }
9337 \ProcessKeysOptions { nicematrix / Package }

9338 \@@_msg_new:nn { footnote-with-footnotehyper-package }
9339 {
9340   You~can't~use~the~option~'footnote'~because~the~package~
9341   footnotehyper~has~already~been~loaded.~
9342   If~you~want,~you~can~use~the~option~'footnotehyper'~and~the~footnotes~
9343   within~the~environments~of~nicematrix~will~be~extracted~with~the~tools~
9344   of~the~package~footnotehyper.\\
9345   The~package~footnote~won't~be~loaded.
9346 }

9347 \@@_msg_new:nn { footnotehyper-with-footnote-package }
9348 {
9349   You~can't~use~the~option~'footnotehyper'~because~the~package~
9350   footnote~has~already~been~loaded.~
9351   If~you~want,~you~can~use~the~option~'footnote'~and~the~footnotes~
9352   within~the~environments~of~nicematrix~will~be~extracted~with~the~tools~
9353   of~the~package~footnote.\\
9354   The~package~footnotehyper~won't~be~loaded.
9355 }

9356 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_footnote_bool
9357 {

```

The class beamer has its own system to extract footnotes and that's why we have nothing to do if beamer is used.

```

9358 \IfClassLoadedTF { beamer }
9359   { \bool_set_false:N \g_@@_footnote_bool }
9360   {
9361     \IfPackageLoadedTF { footnotehyper }
9362       { \@@_error:n { footnote-with-footnotehyper-package } }
9363       { \usepackage { footnote } }
9364   }
9365 }
```

```

9366 \bool_if:NT \g_@@_footnotehyper_bool
9367 {
9368 \IfClassLoadedTF { beamer }
9369 { \bool_set_false:N \g_@@_footnote_bool }
9370 {
9371 \IfPackageLoadedTF { footnote }
9372 { \@@_error:n { footnotehyper~with~footnote~package } }
9373 { \usepackage { footnotehyper } }
9374 }
9375 \bool_set_true:N \g_@@_footnote_bool
9376 }
```

The class `beamer` has its own system to extract footnotes and that's why we have nothing to do if `beamer` is used.

39 About the package underscore

If the user loads the package `underscore`, it must be loaded *before* the package `nicematrix`. If it is loaded after, we raise an error.

```

9377 \bool_new:N \l_@@_underscore_loaded_bool
9378 \IfPackageLoadedTF { underscore }
9379 { \bool_set_true:N \l_@@_underscore_loaded_bool }
9380 { }

9381 \hook_gput_code:nnn { begindocument } { . }
9382 {
9383 \bool_if:NF \l_@@_underscore_loaded_bool
9384 {
9385 \IfPackageLoadedTF { underscore }
9386 { \@@_error:n { underscore~after~nicematrix } }
9387 { }
9388 }
9389 }
```

40 Error messages of the package

```

9390 \bool_if:NTF \g_@@_messages_for_Overleaf_bool
9391 { \str_const:Nn \c_@@_available_keys_str { } }
9392 {
9393 \str_const:Nn \c_@@_available_keys_str
9394 { For~a~list~of~the~available~keys,~type~H~<return>. }
9395 }

9396 \seq_new:N \g_@@_types_of_matrix_seq
9397 \seq_gset_from_clist:Nn \g_@@_types_of_matrix_seq
9398 {
9399 NiceMatrix ,
9400 pNiceMatrix , bNiceMatrix , vNiceMatrix, BNiceMatrix, VNiceMatrix
9401 }
9402 \seq_gset_map_x:NNn \g_@@_types_of_matrix_seq \g_@@_types_of_matrix_seq
9403 { \tl_to_str:n { #1 } }
```

If the user uses too much columns, the command `\@@_error_too_much_cols:` is triggered. This command raises an error but also tries to give the best information to the user in the error message. The command `\seq_if_in:N` is not expandable and that's why we can't put it in the error message itself. We have to do the test before the `\@@_fatal:n`.

```

9404 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@@_error_too_much_cols:
9405 {
9406     \seq_if_in:NnTF \g_@@_types_of_matrix_seq \g_@@_name_env_str
9407     {
9408         \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_last_col_int = { -2 }
9409         { \@@_fatal:n { too-much-cols-for-matrix } }
9410         {
9411             \int_compare:nNnTF \l_@@_last_col_int = { -1 }
9412             { \@@_fatal:n { too-much-cols-for-matrix } }
9413             {
9414                 \bool_if:NF \l_@@_last_col_without_value_bool
9415                 { \@@_fatal:n { too-much-cols-for-matrix-with-last-col } }
9416             }
9417         }
9418     }
9419     { \@@_fatal:nn { too-much-cols-for-array } }
9420 }
```

The following command must *not* be protected since it's used in an error message.

```

9421 \cs_new:Npn \@@_message_hdotsfor:
9422 {
9423     \tl_if_empty:oF \g_@@_Hdotsfor_lines_tl
9424     { ~Maybe~your~use~of~\token_to_str:N \Hdotsfor\ is~incorrect.}
9425 }
9426 \@@_msg_new:nn { hvlines,-rounded-corners-and-corners }
9427 {
9428     Incompatible~options.\\
9429     You~should~not~use~'hvlines',~'rounded-corners'~and~'corners'~at~this~time.\\
9430     The~output~will~not~be~reliable.
9431 }
9432 \@@_msg_new:nn { negative-weight }
9433 {
9434     Negative~weight.\\
9435     The~weight~of~the~'X'~columns~must~be~positive~and~you~have~used~
9436     the~value~'\int_use:N \l_@@_weight_int'.\\
9437     The~absolute~value~will~be~used.
9438 }
9439 \@@_msg_new:nn { last-col-not-used }
9440 {
9441     Column~not~used.\\
9442     The~key~'last-col'~is~in~force~but~you~have~not~used~that~last~column~
9443     in~your~\@@_full_name_env:.~However,~you~can~go~on.
9444 }
9445 \@@_msg_new:nn { too-much-cols-for-matrix-with-last-col }
9446 {
9447     Too~much~columns.\\
9448     In~the~row~\int_eval:n { \c@iRow },~
9449     you~try~to~use~more~columns~
9450     than~allowed~by~your~\@@_full_name_env:.~\@@_message_hdotsfor:\
9451     The~maximal~number~of~columns~is~\int_eval:n { \l_@@_last_col_int - 1 }~
9452     (plus~the~exterior~columns).~This~error~is~fatal.
9453 }
9454 \@@_msg_new:nn { too-much-cols-for-matrix }
9455 {
9456     Too~much~columns.\\
9457     In~the~row~\int_eval:n { \c@iRow },~
9458     you~try~to~use~more~columns~than~allowed~by~your~
9459     \@@_full_name_env:.~\@@_message_hdotsfor:~Recall~that~the~maximal~
```

```

9460     number~of~columns~for~a~matrix~(excepted~the~potential~exterior~
9461     columns)~is~fixed~by~the~LaTeX~counter~'MaxMatrixCols'.~
9462     Its~current~value~is~\int_use:N~\c@MaxMatrixCols~(use~
9463     \token_to_str:N~\setcounter{to~change~that~value}).~
9464     This~error~is~fatal.
9465 }

9466 \@@_msg_new:nn { too~much~cols~for~array }
9467 {
9468   Too~much~columns.\\
9469   In~the~row~\int_eval:n~{~\c@iRow~},~
9470   ~you~try~to~use~more~columns~than~allowed~by~your~\\
9471   \@@_full_name_env:.\@@_message_hdotsfor:~\ The~maximal~number~of~columns~is~
9472   \int_use:N~\g_@@_static_num_of_col_int\\
9473   ~(plus~the~potential~exterior~ones).~
9474   This~error~is~fatal.
9475 }

9476 \@@_msg_new:nn { columns~not~used }
9477 {
9478   Columns~not~used.\\
9479   The~preamble~of~your~\@@_full_name_env:~\ announces~\int_use:N
9480   \g_@@_static_num_of_col_int~columns~but~you~use~only~\int_use:N~\c@jCol.\\
9481   The~columns~you~did~not~use~won't~be~created.\\
9482   You~won't~have~similar~error~message~till~the~end~of~the~document.
9483 }

9484 \@@_msg_new:nn { empty~preamble }
9485 {
9486   Empty~preamble.\\
9487   The~preamble~of~your~\@@_full_name_env:~\ is~empty.\\
9488   This~error~is~fatal.
9489 }

9490 \@@_msg_new:nn { in~first~col }
9491 {
9492   Erroneous~use.\\
9493   You~can't~use~the~command~#1~in~the~first~column~(number~0)~of~the~array.\\
9494   That~command~will~be~ignored.
9495 }

9496 \@@_msg_new:nn { in~last~col }
9497 {
9498   Erroneous~use.\\
9499   You~can't~use~the~command~#1~in~the~last~column~(exterior)~of~the~array.\\
9500   That~command~will~be~ignored.
9501 }

9502 \@@_msg_new:nn { in~first~row }
9503 {
9504   Erroneous~use.\\
9505   You~can't~use~the~command~#1~in~the~first~row~(number~0)~of~the~array.\\
9506   That~command~will~be~ignored.
9507 }

9508 \@@_msg_new:nn { in~last~row }
9509 {
9510   You~can't~use~the~command~#1~in~the~last~row~(exterior)~of~the~array.\\
9511   That~command~will~be~ignored.
9512 }

9513 \@@_msg_new:nn { caption~outside~float }
9514 {
9515   Key~caption~forbidden.\\
9516   You~can't~use~the~key~'caption'~because~you~are~not~in~a~floating~
9517   environment.~This~key~will~be~ignored.
9518 }

```

```

9519 \@@_msg_new:nn { short-caption-without-caption }
9520 {
9521   You~should~not~use~the~key~'short-caption'~without~'caption'.~
9522   However,~your~'short-caption'~will~be~used~as~'caption'.
9523 }
9524 \@@_msg_new:nn { double-closing-delimiter }
9525 {
9526   Double-delimiter.\\
9527   You~can't~put~a~second~closing~delimiter~"#1"~just~after~a~first~closing~
9528   delimiter.~This~delimiter~will~be~ignored.
9529 }
9530 \@@_msg_new:nn { delimiter-after-opening }
9531 {
9532   Double-delimiter.\\
9533   You~can't~put~a~second~delimiter~"#1"~just~after~a~first~opening~
9534   delimiter.~That~delimiter~will~be~ignored.
9535 }
9536 \@@_msg_new:nn { bad-option-for-line-style }
9537 {
9538   Bad-line-style.\\
9539   Since~you~haven't~loaded~Tikz,~the~only~value~you~can~give~to~'line-style'~
9540   is~'standard'.~That~key~will~be~ignored.
9541 }
9542 \@@_msg_new:nn { Identical-notes-in-caption }
9543 {
9544   Identical-tabular-notes.\\
9545   You~can't~put~several~notes~with~the~same~content~in~
9546   \token_to_str:N \caption\ (but~you~can~in~the~main~tabular).\\
9547   If~you~go~on,~the~output~will~probably~be~erroneous.
9548 }
9549 \@@_msg_new:nn { tabularnote-below-the-tabular }
9550 {
9551   \token_to_str:N \tabularnote\ forbidden\\
9552   You~can't~use~\token_to_str:N \tabularnote\ in~the~caption~
9553   of~your~tabular~because~the~caption~will~be~composed~below~
9554   the~tabular.~If~you~want~the~caption~above~the~tabular~use~the~
9555   key~'caption-above'~in~\token_to_str:N \NiceMatrixOptions.\\
9556   Your~\token_to_str:N \tabularnote\ will~be~discarded~and~
9557   no~similar~error~will~raised~in~this~document.
9558 }
9559 \@@_msg_new:nn { Unknown-key-for-rules }
9560 {
9561   Unknown-key.\\
9562   There~is~only~two~keys~available~here:~width~and~color.\\
9563   Your~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~will~be~ignored.
9564 }
9565 \@@_msg_new:nn { Unknown-key-for-TikzEveryCell }
9566 {
9567   Unknown-key.\\
9568   There~is~only~two~keys~available~here:~
9569   'empty'~and~'not-empty'.\\
9570   Your~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~will~be~ignored.
9571 }
9572 \@@_msg_new:nn { Unknown-key-for-rotate }
9573 {
9574   Unknown-key.\\
9575   The~only~key~available~here~is~'c'.\\
9576   Your~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~will~be~ignored.
9577 }
9578 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown-key-for-custom-line }

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9579 {
9580   Unknown~key.\\
9581   The~key~'\\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~in~a~'custom-line'.~
9582   It~you~go~on,~you~will~probably~have~other~errors. \\%
9583   \\c_@@_available_keys_str
9584 }
9585 {
9586   The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~%
9587   ccommand,~%
9588   color,~%
9589   command,~%
9590   dotted,~%
9591   letter,~%
9592   multiplicity,~%
9593   sep-color,~%
9594   tikz,~and~total-width.
9595 }
9596 \\@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~xdots }
9597 {
9598   Unknown~key.\\
9599   The~key~'\\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~a~command~for~drawing~dotted~rules.\\%
9600   \\c_@@_available_keys_str
9601 }
9602 {
9603   The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~%
9604   'color',~%
9605   'horizontal-labels',~%
9606   'inter',~%
9607   'line-style',~%
9608   'radius',~%
9609   'shorten',~%
9610   'shorten-end'~and~'shorten-start'.
9611 }
9612 \\@_msg_new:nn { Unknown~key~for~rowcolors }
9613 {
9614   Unknown~key.\\
9615   As~for~now,~there~is~only~two~keys~available~here:~'cols'~and~'respect-blocks'~%
9616   (and~you~try~to~use~'\\l_keys_key_str')\\%
9617   That~key~will~be~ignored.
9618 }
9619 \\@_msg_new:nn { label~without~caption }
9620 {
9621   You~can't~use~the~key~'label'~in~your~'{NiceTabular}'~because~%
9622   you~have~not~used~the~key~'caption'.~The~key~'label'~will~be~ignored.
9623 }
9624 \\@_msg_new:nn { W-warning }
9625 {
9626   Line~\\msg_line_number:..~The~cell~is~too~wide~for~your~column~'W'~%
9627   (row~\\int_use:N \\c@iRow).
9628 }
9629 \\@_msg_new:nn { Construct~too~large }
9630 {
9631   Construct~too~large.\\
9632   Your~command~\\token_to_str:N #1
9633   can't~be~drawn~because~your~matrix~is~too~small.\\%
9634   That~command~will~be~ignored.
9635 }
9636 \\@_msg_new:nn { underscore~after~nicematrix }
9637 {
9638   Problem~with~'underscore'.\\%
9639   The~package~'underscore'~should~be~loaded~before~'nicematrix'.~%

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9640     You~can~go~on~but~you~won't~be~able~to~write~something~such~as:\\
9641     '\token_to_str:N \Cdots\token_to_str:N _{n~\token_to_str:N \text{\times}}'.
9642 }
9643 \@@_msg_new:nn { ampersand~in~light~syntax }
9644 {
9645     Ampersand~forbidden.\\
9646     You~can't~use~an~ampersand~(\token_to_str:N &)~to~separate~columns~because~
9647     ~the~key~'light~syntax'~is~in~force.~This~error~is~fatal.
9648 }
9649 \@@_msg_new:nn { double-backslash~in~light~syntax }
9650 {
9651     Double~backslash~forbidden.\\
9652     You~can't~use~\token_to_str:N
9653     \\~to~separate~rows~because~the~key~'light~syntax'~
9654     is~in~force.~You~must~use~the~character~'\l_@@_end_of_row_tl'~
9655     (set~by~the~key~'end-of-row').~This~error~is~fatal.
9656 }
9657 \@@_msg_new:nn { hlines~with~color }
9658 {
9659     Incompatible~keys.\\
9660     You~can't~use~the~keys~'hlines',~'vlines'~or~'hvlines'~for~a~
9661     '\token_to_str:N \Block'~when~the~key~'color'~or~'draw'~is~used.\\
9662     However,~you~can~put~several~commands~\token_to_str:N \Block.\\
9663     Your~key~will~be~discarded.
9664 }
9665 \@@_msg_new:nn { bad-value~for~baseline }
9666 {
9667     Bad~value~for~baseline.\\
9668     The~value~given~to~'baseline'~(\int_use:N \l_tmpa_int)~is~not~
9669     valid.~The~value~must~be~between~\int_use:N \l_@@_first_row_int~and~
9670     \int_use:N \g_@@_row_total_int~or~equal~to~'t',~'c'~or~'b'~or~of~
9671     the~form~'line-i'.\\
9672     A~value~of~1~will~be~used.
9673 }
9674 \@@_msg_new:nn { detection~of~empty~cells }
9675 {
9676     Problem~with~'not~empty'\\
9677     For~technical~reasons,~you~must~activate~
9678     'create-cell-nodes'~in~\token_to_str:N \CodeBefore~
9679     in~order~to~use~the~key~'\l_keys_key_str'.\\
9680     That~key~will~be~ignored.
9681 }
9682 \@@_msg_new:nn { siunitx~not~loaded }
9683 {
9684     siunitx~not~loaded\\
9685     You~can't~use~the~columns~'S'~because~'siunitx'~is~not~loaded.\\
9686     That~error~is~fatal.
9687 }
9688 \@@_msg_new:nn { ragged2e~not~loaded }
9689 {
9690     You~have~to~load~'ragged2e'~in~order~to~use~the~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~in~
9691     your~column~'\l_@@_vpos_col_str'~(or~'X').~The~key~'\str_lowercase:o
9692     '\l_keys_key_str'~will~be~used~instead.
9693 }
9694 \@@_msg_new:nn { Invalid~name }
9695 {
9696     Invalid~name.\\
9697     You~can't~give~the~name~'\l_keys_value_tl'~to~a~\token_to_str:N
9698     \SubMatrix\~of~your~\@@_full_name_env:.\\
9699     A~name~must~be~accepted~by~the~regular~expression~[A-Za-z] [A-Za-z0-9]*.\\

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9700     This~key~will~be~ignored.
9701 }
9702 \@@_msg_new:nn { Wrong~line~in~SubMatrix }
9703 {
9704     Wrong~line.\\
9705     You~try~to~draw~a~#1~line~of~number~'#2'~in~a~
9706     \token_to_str:N \SubMatrix\ of~your~\@@_full_name_env:\ but~that~
9707     number~is~not~valid.~It~will~be~ignored.
9708 }
9709 \@@_msg_new:nn { Impossible~delimiter }
9710 {
9711     Impossible~delimiter.\\
9712     It's~impossible~to~draw~the~#1~delimiter~of~your~
9713     \token_to_str:N \SubMatrix\ because~all~the~cells~are~empty~
9714     in~that~column.
9715     \bool_if:NT \l_@@_submatrix_slim_bool
9716         { ~Maybe~you~should~try~without~the~key~'slim'. } \\
9717     This~\token_to_str:N \SubMatrix\ will~be~ignored.
9718 }
9719 \@@_msg_new:nnn { width~without~X~columns }
9720 {
9721     You~have~used~the~key~'width'~but~you~have~put~no~'X'~column.~
9722     That~key~will~be~ignored.
9723 }
9724 {
9725     This~message~is~the~message~'width~without~X~columns'~
9726     of~the~module~'nicematrix'.~
9727     The~experimented~users~can~disable~that~message~with~
9728     \token_to_str:N \msg_redirect_name:nnn.\\
9729 }
9730
9731 \@@_msg_new:nn { key~multiplicity~with~dotted }
9732 {
9733     Incompatible~keys. \\
9734     You~have~used~the~key~'multiplicity'~with~the~key~'dotted'~
9735     in~a~'custom-line'.~They~are~incompatible. \\
9736     The~key~'multiplicity'~will~be~discarded.
9737 }
9738 \@@_msg_new:nn { empty~environment }
9739 {
9740     Empty~environment.\\
9741     Your~\@@_full_name_env:\ is~empty.~This~error~is~fatal.
9742 }
9743 \@@_msg_new:nn { No~letter~and~no~command }
9744 {
9745     Erroneous~use.\\
9746     Your~use~of~'custom-line'~is~no~op~since~you~don't~have~used~the~
9747     key~'letter'~(for~a~letter~for~vertical~rules)~nor~the~keys~'command'~or~
9748     ~'ccommand'~(to~draw~horizontal~rules).\\
9749     However,~you~can~go~on.
9750 }
9751 \@@_msg_new:nn { Forbidden~letter }
9752 {
9753     Forbidden~letter.\\
9754     You~can't~use~the~letter~'#1'~for~a~customized~line.\\
9755     It~will~be~ignored.
9756 }
9757 \@@_msg_new:nn { Several~letters }
9758 {
9759     Wrong~name.\\

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9760 You~must~use~only~one~letter~as~value~for~the~key~'letter'~(and~you~
9761 have~used~'\l_@@_letter_str').\\
9762 It~will~be~ignored.
9763 }
9764 \@@_msg_new:nn { Delimiter~with~small }
9765 {
9766   Delimiter~forbidden.\\
9767   You~can't~put~a~delimiter~in~the~preamble~of~your~\@@_full_name_env:\\
9768   because~the~key~'small'~is~in~force.\\
9769   This~error~is~fatal.
9770 }
9771 \@@_msg_new:nn { unknown~cell~for~line~in~CodeAfter }
9772 {
9773   Unknown~cell.\\
9774   Your~command~\token_to_str:N\line\{#1\}\{#2\}~in~
9775   the~\token_to_str:N\CodeAfter~of~your~\@@_full_name_env:\\
9776   can't~be~executed~because~a~cell~doesn't~exist.\\
9777   This~command~\token_to_str:N\line~will~be~ignored.
9778 }
9779 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Duplicate~name~for~SubMatrix }
9780 {
9781   Duplicate~name.\\
9782   The~name~'#1'~is~already~used~for~a~\token_to_str:N\SubMatrix\\
9783   in~this~\@@_full_name_env:.\\
9784   This~key~will~be~ignored.\\
9785   \bool_if:NF\g_@@_messages_for_Overleaf_bool
9786     { For~a~list~of~the~names~already~used,~type~H~<return>. }
9787 }
9788 {
9789   The~names~already~defined~in~this~\@@_full_name_env:\\~are:~\\
9790   \seq_use:Nnnn\g_@@_submatrix_names_seq {~and~} {,~} {~and~}.
9791 }
9792 \@@_msg_new:nn { r~or~l~with~preamble }
9793 {
9794   Erroneous~use.\\
9795   You~can't~use~the~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~in~your~\@@_full_name_env:\\~
9796   You~must~specify~the~alignment~of~your~columns~with~the~preamble~of~
9797   your~\@@_full_name_env:.\\
9798   This~key~will~be~ignored.
9799 }
9800 \@@_msg_new:nn { Hdotsfor~in~col~0 }
9801 {
9802   Erroneous~use.\\
9803   You~can't~use~\token_to_str:N\Hdotsfor~in~an~exterior~column~of~
9804   the~array.~This~error~is~fatal.
9805 }
9806 \@@_msg_new:nn { bad-corner }
9807 {
9808   Bad~corner.\\
9809   #1~is~an~incorrect~specification~for~a~corner~(in~the~key~
9810   'corners').~The~available~values~are:~NW,~SW,~NE~and~SE.\\
9811   This~specification~of~corner~will~be~ignored.
9812 }
9813 \@@_msg_new:nn { bad-border }
9814 {
9815   Bad~border.\\
9816   \l_keys_key_str\space~is~an~incorrect~specification~for~a~border~
9817   (in~the~key~'borders'~of~the~command~\token_to_str:N\Block).~
9818   The~available~values~are:~left,~right,~top~and~bottom~(and~you~can~
9819   also~use~the~key~'tikz'~
9820   \IfPackageLoadedTF{tikz}
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9821     { }
9822     {~if~you~load~the~LaTeX~package~'tikz'}).\\\\ 
9823     This~specification~of~border~will~be~ignored.
9824   }
9825 \@@_msg_new:nn { TikzEveryCell-without-tikz }
9826   {
9827     TikZ-not-loaded.\\\
9828     You~can't~use~\token_to_str:N \TikzEveryCell\\
9829     because~you~have~not~loaded~tikz.~
9830     This~command~will~be~ignored.
9831   }
9832 \@@_msg_new:nn { tikz-key-without-tikz }
9833   {
9834     TikZ-not-loaded.\\\
9835     You~can't~use~the~key~'tikz'~for~the~command~'\token_to_str:N
9836     \Block'~because~you~have~not~loaded~tikz.~
9837     This~key~will~be~ignored.
9838   }
9839 \@@_msg_new:nn { last-col-non-empty-for-NiceArray }
9840   {
9841     Erroneous~use.\\\
9842     In~the~\@@_full_name_env:,~you~must~use~the~key~
9843     'last-col'~without~value.\\\
9844     However,~you~can~go~on~for~this~time~
9845     (the~value~'\l_keys_value_tl'~will~be~ignored).
9846   }
9847 \@@_msg_new:nn { last-col-non-empty-for-NiceMatrixOptions }
9848   {
9849     Erroneous~use.\\\
9850     In~\token_to_str:N \NiceMatrixOptions,~you~must~use~the~key~
9851     'last-col'~without~value.\\\
9852     However,~you~can~go~on~for~this~time~
9853     (the~value~'\l_keys_value_tl'~will~be~ignored).
9854   }
9855 \@@_msg_new:nn { Block-too-large-1 }
9856   {
9857     Block-too-large.\\\
9858     You~try~to~draw~a~block~in~the~cell~#1-#2~of~your~matrix~but~the~matrix~is~
9859     too~small~for~that~block.~\\\
9860     This~block~and~maybe~others~will~be~ignored.
9861   }
9862 \@@_msg_new:nn { Block-too-large-2 }
9863   {
9864     Block-too-large.\\\
9865     The~preamble~of~your~\@@_full_name_env:\~\ announces~\int_use:N
9866     \g_@@_static_num_of_col_int\\
9867     columns~but~you~use~only~\int_use:N \c@jCol~ and~that's~why~a~block~
9868     specified~in~the~cell~#1-#2~can't~be~drawn.~You~should~add~some~ampersands~
9869     (&)~at~the~end~of~the~first~row~of~your~\@@_full_name_env:.\\\
9870     This~block~and~maybe~others~will~be~ignored.
9871   }
9872 \@@_msg_new:nn { unknown-column-type }
9873   {
9874     Bad~column~type.\\\
9875     The~column~type~'#1'~in~your~\@@_full_name_env:\\
9876     is~unknown.~\\\
9877     This~error~is~fatal.
9878   }
9879 \@@_msg_new:nn { unknown-column-type-S }
9880   {

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9881     Bad~column~type.\\
9882     The~column~type~'S'~in~your~`@@_full_name_env':\\ is~unknown. \\
9883     If~you~want~to~use~the~column~type~'S'~of~`siunitx',~you~should~
9884     load~that~package. \\
9885     This~error~is~fatal.
9886   }
9887 
9888 `@@_msg_new:nn { tabularnote~forbidden }
9889 {
9890   Forbidden~command.\\
9891   You~can't~use~the~command~`\token_to_str:N\tabularnote`\\
9892   ~here.~This~command~is~available~only~in~\\
9893   `NiceTabular`~,~`{NiceTabular*}`~and~`{NiceTabularX}`~or~in~\\
9894   the~argument~of~a~command~`\token_to_str:N \caption`~included~\\
9895   in~an~environment~`{table}`. \\
9896   This~command~will~be~ignored.
9897 }
9898 
9899 `@@_msg_new:nn { borders~forbidden }
9900 {
9901   Forbidden~key.\\
9902   You~can't~use~the~key~`borders`~of~the~command~`\token_to_str:N \Block`~\\
9903   because~the~option~`rounded-corners`~\\
9904   is~in~force~with~a~non-zero~value.\\
9905   This~key~will~be~ignored.
9906 }
9907 
9908 `@@_msg_new:nn { bottomrule~without~booktabs }
9909 {
9910   booktabs~not~loaded.\\
9911   You~can't~use~the~key~`tabular/bottomrule`~because~you~haven't~\\
9912   loaded~`booktabs`~.\\
9913   This~key~will~be~ignored.
9914 }
9915 
9916 `@@_msg_new:nn { enumitem~not~loaded }
9917 {
9918   enumitem~not~loaded.\\
9919   You~can't~use~the~command~`\token_to_str:N\tabularnote`~\\
9920   ~because~you~haven't~loaded~`enumitem`.\\
9921   All~the~commands~`\token_to_str:N\tabularnote`~will~be~\\
9922   ignored~in~the~document.
9923 }
9924 
9925 `@@_msg_new:nn { tikz~without~tikz }
9926 {
9927   Tikz~not~loaded.\\
9928   You~can't~use~the~key~`tikz`~here~because~Tikz~is~not~\\
9929   loaded.~If~you~go~on,~that~key~will~be~ignored.
9930 }
9931 
9932 `@@_msg_new:nn { tikz~in~custom-line~without~tikz }
9933 {
9934   Tikz~not~loaded.\\
9935   You~have~used~the~key~`tikz`~in~the~definition~of~a~\\
9936   customized~line~(with~`custom-line`)~but~Tikz~is~not~loaded.~\\
9937   You~can~go~on~but~you~will~have~another~error~if~you~actually~\\
9938   use~that~custom~line.
9939 }
9940 
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9941 \@@_msg_new:nn { without~color~inside }
9942 {
9943   If~order~to~use~\token_to_str:N \cellcolor,~\token_to_str:N \rowcolor,~
9944   \token_to_str:N \rowcolors\ or~\token_to_str:N \rowlistcolors\
9945   outside~\token_to_str:N \CodeBefore,~you~
9946   should~have~used~the~key~'color~inside'~in~your~\@@_full_name_env:.\\
9947   You~can~go~on~but~you~may~need~more~compilations.
9948 }

9949 \@@_msg_new:nn { color~in~custom~line~with~tikz }
9950 {
9951   Erroneous~use.\\
9952   In~a~'custom~line',~you~have~used~both~'tikz'~and~'color',~
9953   which~is~forbidden~(you~should~use~'color'~inside~the~key~'tikz').~
9954   The~key~'color'~will~be~discarded.
9955 }

9956 \@@_msg_new:nn { Wrong~last~row }
9957 {
9958   Wrong~number.\\
9959   You~have~used~'last~row=\int_use:N \l_@@_last_row_int'~but~your~
9960   \@@_full_name_env:\ seems~to~have~\int_use:N \c@iRow \ rows.~
9961   If~you~go~on,~the~value~of~\int_use:N \c@iRow \ will~be~used~for~
9962   last~row.~You~can~avoid~this~problem~by~using~'last~row'~
9963   without~value~(more~compilations~might~be~necessary).
9964 }

9965 \@@_msg_new:nn { Yet~in~env }
9966 {
9967   Nested~environments.\\
9968   Environments~of~nicematrix-can't~be~nested.\\
9969   This~error~is~fatal.
9970 }

9971 \@@_msg_new:nn { Outside~math~mode }
9972 {
9973   Outside~math~mode.\\
9974   The~\@@_full_name_env:\ can~be~used~only~in~math~mode~
9975   (and~not~in~\token_to_str:N \vcenter).\\
9976   This~error~is~fatal.
9977 }

9978 \@@_msg_new:nn { One~letter~allowed }
9979 {
9980   Bad~name.\\
9981   The~value~of~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~must~be~of~length~1.\\
9982   It~will~be~ignored.
9983 }

9984 \@@_msg_new:nn { TabularNote~in~CodeAfter }
9985 {
9986   Environment~{TabularNote}~forbidden.\\
9987   You~must~use~{TabularNote}~at~the~end~of~your~{NiceTabular}~
9988   but~*before*~the~\token_to_str:N \CodeAfter.\\
9989   This~environment~{TabularNote}~will~be~ignored.
9990 }

9991 \@@_msg_new:nn { varwidth~not~loaded }
9992 {
9993   varwidth~not~loaded.\\
9994   You~can't~use~the~column~type~'V'~because~'varwidth'~is~not~
9995   loaded.\\
9996   Your~column~will~behave~like~'p'.
9997 }

9998 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknow~key~for~RulesBis }
9999 {
10000   Unkown~key.\\

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10001 Your~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~a~rule.\\
10002 \c_@@_available_keys_str
10003 }
10004 {
10005 The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~
10006 color,~
10007 dotted,~
10008 multiplicity,~
10009 sep-color,~
10010 tikz,~and~total~width.
10011 }
10012
10013 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~Block }
10014 {
10015 Unknown~key.\\
10016 The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~the~command~\token_to_str:N
10017 \Block.\\ It~will~be~ignored. \\
10018 \c_@@_available_keys_str
10019 }
10020 {
10021 The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~&~in~blocks,~ampersand~in~blocks,~
10022 b,~B,~borders,~c,~draw,~fill,~hlines,~hvlines,~l,~line-width,~name,~
10023 opacity,~rounded-corners,~r,~respect~arraystretch,~t,~T,~tikz,~transparent~
10024 and~vlines.
10025 }
10026 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~Brace }
10027 {
10028 Unknown~key.\\
10029 The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~the~commands~\token_to_str:N
10030 \UnderBrace\ and~\token_to_str:N \OverBrace.\\
10031 It~will~be~ignored. \\
10032 \c_@@_available_keys_str
10033 }
10034 {
10035 The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~color,~left~shorten,~
10036 right~shorten,~shorten~(which~fixes~both~left~shorten~and~
10037 right~shorten)~and~yshift.
10038 }
10039 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~CodeAfter }
10040 {
10041 Unknown~key.\\
10042 The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown.\\
10043 It~will~be~ignored. \\
10044 \c_@@_available_keys_str
10045 }
10046 {
10047 The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~
10048 delimiters/color,~
10049 rules~(with~the~subkeys~'color'~and~'width'),~
10050 sub-matrix~(several~subkeys)~
10051 and~xdots~(several~subkeys).~
10052 The~latter~is~for~the~command~\token_to_str:N \line.
10053 }
10054 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~CodeBefore }
10055 {
10056 Unknown~key.\\
10057 The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown.\\
10058 It~will~be~ignored. \\
10059 \c_@@_available_keys_str
10060 }
10061 {
10062 The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~

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10063     create-cell-nodes,~
10064     delimiters/color-and~
10065     sub-matrix~(several~subkeys).
10066 }
10067 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~SubMatrix }
10068 {
10069     Unknown~key.\\
10070     The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown.\\
10071     That~key~will~be~ignored. \\%
10072     \c_@@_available_keys_str
10073 }
10074 {
10075     The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~%
10076     'delimiters/color',~%
10077     'extra-height',~%
10078     'hlines',~%
10079     'hvlines',~%
10080     'left-xshift',~%
10081     'name',~%
10082     'right-xshift',~%
10083     'rules'~(with~the~subkeys~'color'~and~'width'),~%
10084     'slim',~%
10085     'vlines'~and~'xshift'~(which~sets~both~'left-xshift'~%
10086     and~'right-xshift').\\%
10087 }
10088 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~notes }
10089 {
10090     Unknown~key.\\
10091     The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown.\\
10092     That~key~will~be~ignored. \\%
10093     \c_@@_available_keys_str
10094 }
10095 {
10096     The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~%
10097     bottomrule,~%
10098     code-after,~%
10099     code-before,~%
10100     detect-duplicates,~%
10101     enumitem-keys,~%
10102     enumitem-keys-para,~%
10103     para,~%
10104     label-in-list,~%
10105     label-in-tabular-and~%
10106     style.
10107 }
10108 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~RowStyle }
10109 {
10110     Unknown~key.\\
10111     The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~the~command~%
10112     \token_to_str:N \RowStyle. \\%
10113     That~key~will~be~ignored. \\%
10114     \c_@@_available_keys_str
10115 }
10116 {
10117     The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~%
10118     'bold',~%
10119     'cell-space-top-limit',~%
10120     'cell-space-bottom-limit',~%
10121     'cell-space-limits',~%
10122     'color',~%
10123     'nb-rows'~and~%
10124     'rowcolor'.
10125 }

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10126 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown-key-for-NiceMatrixOptions }
10127 {
10128   Unknown-key.\\
10129   The-key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~the~command~
10130   \token_to_str:N \NiceMatrixOptions. \\
10131   That-key~will~be~ignored. \\
10132   \c_@@_available_keys_str
10133 }
10134 {
10135   The-available-keys~are~(in-alphabetic-order):~
10136   &-in-blocks,~
10137   allow-duplicate-names,~
10138   ampersand-in-blocks,~
10139   caption-above,~
10140   cell-space-bottom-limit,~
10141   cell-space-limits,~
10142   cell-space-top-limit,~
10143   code-for-first-col,~
10144   code-for-first-row,~
10145   code-for-last-col,~
10146   code-for-last-row,~
10147   corners,~
10148   custom-key,~
10149   create-extra-nodes,~
10150   create-medium-nodes,~
10151   create-large-nodes,~
10152   custom-line,~
10153   delimiters~(several~subkeys),~
10154   end-of-row,~
10155   first-col,~
10156   first-row,~
10157   hlines,~
10158   hvlines,~
10159   hvlines-except-borders,~
10160   last-col,~
10161   last-row,~
10162   left-margin,~
10163   light-syntax,~
10164   light-syntax-expanded,~
10165   matrix/columns-type,~
10166   no-cell-nodes,~
10167   notes~(several~subkeys),~
10168   nullify-dots,~
10169   pgf-node-code,~
10170   renew-dots,~
10171   renew-matrix,~
10172   respect-arraystretch,~
10173   rounded-corners,~
10174   right-margin,~
10175   rules~(with~the~subkeys~'color'~and~'width'),~
10176   small,~
10177   sub-matrix~(several~subkeys),~
10178   vlines,~
10179   xdots~(several~subkeys).
10180 }

```

For '{NiceArray}', the set of keys is the same as for {NiceMatrix} excepted that there is no `l` and `r`.

```

10181 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown-key-for-NiceArray }
10182 {
10183   Unknown-key.\\
10184   The-key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~the~environment~
10185   \{NiceArray\}. \\
10186   That-key~will~be~ignored. \\

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10187     \c_@@_available_keys_str
10188 }
10189 {
10190     The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~
10191     &-in-blocks,~
10192     ampersand-in-blocks,~
10193     b,~
10194     baseline,~
10195     c,~
10196     cell-space-bottom-limit,~
10197     cell-space-limits,~
10198     cell-space-top-limit,~
10199     code-after,~
10200     code-for-first-col,~
10201     code-for-first-row,~
10202     code-for-last-col,~
10203     code-for-last-row,~
10204     color-inside,~
10205     columns-width,~
10206     corners,~
10207     create-extra-nodes,~
10208     create-medium-nodes,~
10209     create-large-nodes,~
10210     extra-left-margin,~
10211     extra-right-margin,~
10212     first-col,~
10213     first-row,~
10214     hlines,~
10215     hvlines,~
10216     hvlines-except-borders,~
10217     last-col,~
10218     last-row,~
10219     left-margin,~
10220     light-syntax,~
10221     light-syntax-expanded,~
10222     name,~
10223     no-cell-nodes,~
10224     nullify-dots,~
10225     pgf-node-code,~
10226     renew-dots,~
10227     respect-arraystretch,~
10228     right-margin,~
10229     rounded-corners,~
10230     rules~(with~the~subkeys~'color'~and~'width'),~
10231     small,~
10232     t,~
10233     vlines,~
10234     xdots/color,~
10235     xdots/shorten-start,~
10236     xdots/shorten-end,~
10237     xdots/shorten-and~
10238     xdots/line-style.
10239 }
```

This error message is used for the set of keys `nicematrix/NiceMatrix` and `nicematrix/pNiceArray` (but not by `nicematrix/NiceArray` because, for this set of keys, there is no `l` and `r`).

```

10240 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown-key-for-NiceMatrix }
10241 {
10242     Unknown-key.\\
10243     The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~the~\\
10244     \@@_full_name_env:..~\\
10245     That~key~will~be~ignored.~\\
10246     \c_@@_available_keys_str
10247 }
```

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10248 {
10249   The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~
10250   &-in-blocks,~
10251   ampersand-in-blocks,~
10252   b,~
10253   baseline,~
10254   c,~
10255   cell-space-bottom-limit,~
10256   cell-space-limits,~
10257   cell-space-top-limit,~
10258   code-after,~
10259   code-for-first-col,~
10260   code-for-first-row,~
10261   code-for-last-col,~
10262   code-for-last-row,~
10263   color-inside,~
10264   columns-type,~
10265   columns-width,~
10266   corners,~
10267   create-extra-nodes,~
10268   create-medium-nodes,~
10269   create-large-nodes,~
10270   extra-left-margin,~
10271   extra-right-margin,~
10272   first-col,~
10273   first-row,~
10274   hlines,~
10275   hvlines,~
10276   hvlines-except-borders,~
10277   l,~
10278   last-col,~
10279   last-row,~
10280   left-margin,~
10281   light-syntax,~
10282   light-syntax-expanded,~
10283   name,~
10284   no-cell-nodes,~
10285   nullify-dots,~
10286   pgf-node-code,~
10287   r,~
10288   renew-dots,~
10289   respect-arraystretch,~
10290   right-margin,~
10291   rounded-corners,~
10292   rules~(with~the~subkeys~'color'~and~'width'),~
10293   small,~
10294   t,~
10295   vlines,~
10296   xdots/color,~
10297   xdots/shorten-start,~
10298   xdots/shorten-end,~
10299   xdots/shorten-and-
10300   xdots/line-style.
10301 }
10302 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Unknown~key~for~NiceTabular }
10303 {
10304   Unknown~key.\\
10305   The~key~'\l_keys_key_str'~is~unknown~for~the~environment~\\
10306   \{NiceTabular\}. \\
10307   That~key~will~be~ignored. \\
10308   \c_@@_available_keys_str
10309 }
10310 {

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10311 The~available~keys~are~(in~alphabetic~order):~
10312 &-in-blocks,~
10313 ampersand-in-blocks,~
10314 b,~
10315 baseline,~
10316 c,~
10317 caption,~
10318 cell-space-bottom-limit,~
10319 cell-space-limits,~
10320 cell-space-top-limit,~
10321 code-after,~
10322 code-for-first-col,~
10323 code-for-first-row,~
10324 code-for-last-col,~
10325 code-for-last-row,~
10326 color-inside,~
10327 columns-width,~
10328 corners,~
10329 custom-line,~
10330 create-extra-nodes,~
10331 create-medium-nodes,~
10332 create-large-nodes,~
10333 extra-left-margin,~
10334 extra-right-margin,~
10335 first-col,~
10336 first-row,~
10337 hlines,~
10338 hvlines,~
10339 hvlines-except-borders,~
10340 label,~
10341 last-col,~
10342 last-row,~
10343 left-margin,~
10344 light-syntax,~
10345 light-syntax-expanded,~
10346 name,~
10347 no-cell-nodes,~
10348 notes~(several~subkeys),~
10349 nullify-dots,~
10350 pgf-node-code,~
10351 renew-dots,~
10352 respect-arraystretch,~
10353 right-margin,~
10354 rounded-corners,~
10355 rules~(with~the~subkeys~'color'~and~'width'),~
10356 short-caption,~
10357 t,~
10358 tabularnote,~
10359 vlines,~
10360 xdots/color,~
10361 xdots/shorten-start,~
10362 xdots/shorten-end,~
10363 xdots/shorten-and~
10364 xdots/line-style.
10365 }
10366 \@@_msg_new:nnn { Duplicate~name }
10367 {
10368   Duplicate~name.\\
10369   The~name~'\l_keys_value_tl'~is~already~used~and~you~shouldn't~use~
10370   the~same~environment~name~twice.~You~can~go~on,~but,~
10371   maybe,~you~will~have~incorrect~results~especially~
10372   if~you~use~'columns-width=auto'.~If~you~don't~want~to~see~this~
10373   message~again,~use~the~key~'allow-duplicate-names'~in~

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10374   '\token_to_str:N \NiceMatrixOptions'.\\
10375   \bool_if:NF \g_@@_messages_for_Overleaf_bool
10376     { For-a-list-of-the-names-already-used,~type-H-<return>. }
10377   }
10378   {
10379     The-names-already-defined-in-this-document-are:-
10380     \seq_use:Nnnn \g_@@_names_seq { ~and~ } { ,~ } { ~and~ }.
10381   }
10382 \@@_msg_new:nn { Option-auto-for-columns-width }
10383   {
10384     Erroneous-use.\\
10385     You-can't-give-the-value-'auto'-to-the-key-'columns-width'-here.-
10386     That-key-will-be-ignored.
10387   }
10388 \@@_msg_new:nn { NiceTabularX-without-X }
10389   {
10390     NiceTabularX-without-X.\\
10391     You-should-not-use-{NiceTabularX}-without-X-columns.\\
10392     However,~you-can-go-on.
10393   }
10394 \@@_msg_new:nn { Preamble-forgotten }
10395   {
10396     Preamble-forgotten.\\
10397     You-have-probably-forgotten-the-preamble-of-your-
10398     \@@_full_name_env:. \\
10399     This-error-is-fatal.
10400   }

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