

# Maxima Reference Card (1)

## General & Help

end of a command ;  
end without output \$  
exit Maxima quit()  
describe command ? <string>  
get an example example(<command>)  
previous computation %  
i-th previous computation %th(i)  
don't evaluate '<expr>

## Operators

basic operations +, -, \*, /, ^  
factorial !  
assignment :  
function definition :=  
equality =  
not equal #  
inequality <, >, >=, <=  
matrix multiplication .  
logical operators and, or, not

## Basic functions

absolute value abs(<expr>)  
 $\lfloor x \rfloor$  fix(<num>)  
checks, if even / odd evenp(<expr>), oddp(<expr>)  
checks, if a predicate holds is(<pred>) (e.g. is(x<y))  
square root sqrt(<expr>)  
integer square root isqrt(<expr>)  
maximum, minimum max(<expr1>, <expr2>, ...), min(...)  
division remainder mod(<dd>, <ds>)  
random integer  $r \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$  random(n)  
signum sign(<expr>), signum(<expr>)  
exponential function exp(<expr>)  
greatest common divider gcd(<expr1>, <expr2>)  
factors an expression factor(<expr>)

numerator of a fraction  
denominator of a fraction  
real part of a complex number  
imaginary part of a complex number  
 $\prod_{k=low}^{up} f(k)$   
 $\sum_{k=low}^{up} f(k)$   
sums a function over a list

## Working with expressions

sorting a list  
substitute x for y in z  
combining all terms of an expression over  
a common denominator  
sublist of a list, for which a boolean  
function returns true  
expanding expressions

## Constants

$\pi$  %pi  
euler's number %e  
imaginary unit %i  
boolean constants true, false

## Plotting

plotting an expression as a function  
of one variable plot2d(<expr>, [<var>, <min>, <max>])  
plotting an expression as a function  
of two variables (specify range as above) plot3d(<expr>, range1, range2)

## Input and Output

loading a file load("<fullpath>")  
printing an expression print(<expr>)  
saving expressions to a file save("<fullpath>", expr1, ...)  
loading a file (saved by maxima) loadfile("<fullpath>")  
TeX output tex(<expr>), tex(<expr>, <file>)  
executing a system command system("<command>")

## Maxima Reference Card (2)

### Floating point operations

converting into float/ bigfloat  
set floating point precision  
set digits to print  
rounding a float to an integer  
truncating a floats decimal places

float(<expr>), bfloat(<expr>)  
fpprec:<value>  
fpprintprec:<value>  
?round(<expr>)  
?truncate(<expr>)

### Polynomials

gives quotient and remainder  
converts into horner's scheme

divide(<poly1>,<poly2>)  
horner(<poly>,<var>)

### Logarithms and Trigonometry

natural logarithm  
principal branch of complex logarithm  
sinus, arcus sinus  
cosinus, arcus cosinus  
tangent, arcus tangent

log(<expr>)  
plog(<expr>)  
sin(<expr>), asin(<expr>)  
cos(<expr>), acos(<expr>)  
tan(<expr>), atan(<expr>)

### Differential and Integral calculus

infinity, negative infinity  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} f(x)$   
 $\lim_{x \searrow k} f(x)$ ,  $\lim_{x \nearrow k}$   
differentiate an expression  
antiderivative of an expression  
 $\int_{x=low}^{up} f(x) dx$

inf, minf  
limit(f,x,k)  
limit(f,x,k,PLUS), ..(..,MINUS)  
diff(<expr>,<var>,<ntimes>)  
integrate(<expr>,<var>)  
integrate(f(x),x,<low>,<up>)

### Equations

find all roots of a real polynomial  
solve a system of equations  
solve an ordinary differential equation  
finds the zero of  $f(x)$  in  $[a, b]$

allroot(<poly>)  
solve([<eq1>, ..], [<var1>, ..])  
ode2(<equ>,<y-var>,<x-var>)  
interpolate(f,x,a,b)

### Matrices and Linear Algebra

creates a matrix (where row is a list)  
enter a  $m \times n$  matrix value by value  
computes the adjoint of a matrix  
gets column / row of a matrix  
gets element (i,j) from a matrix  
creates a copy of a matrix  
computes the charact. polynomial

matrix(<row1>,<row2>,..)  
entermatrix(m,n)  
adjoint(<matrix>)  
col(<matr>,<num>), row(<m>,<n>)  
<matrix>[i,j]  
copymatrix(<matrix>)  
charpoly(<matrix>,<var>)

computes the determinant  
computes the eigenvalues  
computes eigenvectors  
creates an  $n \times n$  identity matrix  
finds an inverse matrix  
maps a func. onto each matrix-elem.  
computes the rank of a matrix  
transposes a matrix  
computes an upper triangular form

determinant(<matrix>)  
eigenvalues(<matrix>)  
eigenvectors<matrix>  
ident(n)  
invert(<matrix>)  
matrixmap(<fun>,<matrix>)  
rank(<matrix>)  
transpose(<matrix>)  
triangularize(<matrix>)

### Series

expands into a powerseries  
expands into a truncated taylor series

powerseries(<expr>,<var>,<point>)  
taylor(<fun>,<var>,<point>,<pot>)

### Number theory

binomial coefficient  
converts into a continued fraction  
nth Fibonacci number  
checks, if an expression is prime  
Euler's  $\varphi$ -function

binomial(<expr>,<expr>)  
cf(<expr>)  
fib(n)  
primep(<expr>)  
totient(<expr>)

### Lists

creates a list  
creates a copy of a list  
gets the ith element  
concatenates two lists

[<expr1>,..]  
copylist(<list>)  
<list>[i]  
append(<list1>,<list2>)

### Programming

program block  
for-loop  
while-loop  
if-then-else construct  
returns a value  
function definition with block

block(<epxr1>,..)  
for <decl> thru <num> step <num> do <block>  
for <decl> while <cond> do <block>  
if <cond> then <block> else <block>  
return(<value>)  
f(x):=block(<expr1>,..,return(<value>))

### Miscellaneous

random number from normal distrib.  
with mean and standard deviation

gauss(<mean>,<dev>)