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Computer Algebra Synonyms

1.1 Introduction

The following is a collection of synonyms for various operations in the seven general purpose computer algebra systems Axiom, Derive, Macsyma, Maple, Mathematica, MuPAD and Reduce. This collection does not attempt to be comprehensive, but hopefully it will be useful in giving an indication of how to translate between the syntaxes used by the different systems in many common situations. Note that a blank entry means that there is no exact translation of a particular operation for the indicated system, but it may still be possible to work around this lack with a related functionality.

1.2 Programming and Miscellaneous

	Unix/Microsoft user initialization file
Axiom	<code>~/axiom.input</code>
Derive	<code>derive.ini</code>
Macsyma	<code>~/macsyma-init.macsyma</code>
Maple	<code>~/.mapleinits</code>
Mathematica	<code>~/init.m</code>
MuPAD	<code>~/.mupadinit</code>
Reduce	<code>~/.reducerc</code>

	Describe <i>keyword</i>	Find keywords containing <i>pattern</i>
Axiom		<code>)what operations pattern</code>
Derive		
Macsyma	<code>describe("keyword")\$</code>	<code>apropos("pattern");</code>
Maple	<code>?keyword</code>	<code>?pattern¹</code>
Mathematica	<code>?keyword</code>	<code>?*pattern*</code>
MuPAD	<code>?keyword</code>	<code>?*pattern*</code>
Reduce		

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	Comment	Line continuation	Prev. expr.	Case sensitive	Variables assumed
Axiom	-- comment	input <CR>input	%	Yes	real
Derive	"comment"	input ~<CR>input		No	real
Macsyma	/* comment */	input<CR>input;	%	No	real
Maple	# comment	input<CR>input;	%	Yes	complex
Mathematica	(* comment *)	input<CR>input	%	Yes	complex
MuPAD	# comment #	input<CR>input;	%	Yes	complex
Reduce	% comment	input<CR>input;	ws	No	complex
	Load a file		Time a command		Quit
Axiom)read "file")quiet)set messages time on)quit
Derive	[Transfer Load Derive]				[Quit]
Macsyma	load("file")\$		showtime: all\$		quit();
Maple	read("file"):		readlib(showtime): on;		quit
Mathematica	<< file		Timing[command]		Quit[]
MuPAD	read("file"):		time(command);		quit
Reduce	in "file"\$		on time;		quit;
	Display output	Suppress output	Substitution: $f(x, y) \rightarrow f(z, w)$		
Axiom	input	input;	subst(f(x, y), [x = z, y = w])		
Derive	input	var:= input	[Manage Substitute]		
Macsyma	input;	input\$	subst([x = z, y = w], f(x, y));		
Maple	input;	input:	subs({x = z, y = w}, f(x, y));		
Mathematica	input	input;	f[x, y] /. {x -> z, y -> w}		
MuPAD	input;	input:	subs(f(x, y), [x = z, y = w]);		
Reduce	input;	input\$	sub({x = z, y = w}, f(x, y));		
	Set	List	Matrix		
Axiom	set [1, 2]	[1, 2]	matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])		
Derive	{1, 2}	[1, 2]	[[1, 2], [3, 4]]		
Macsyma	[1, 2]	[1, 2]	matrix([1, 2], [3, 4])		
Maple	{1, 2}	[1, 2]	matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])		
Mathematica	{1, 2}	{1, 2}	{1, 2}, {3, 4}}		
MuPAD	{1, 2}	[1, 2]	export(Dom): export(linalg): matrix:= ExpressionField(normal): matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])		
Reduce	{1, 2}	{1, 2}	mat((1, 2), (3, 4))		

¹Only if the pattern is not a keyword and then the matches are simplistic.

	Equation	List element	Matrix element	Length of a list
Axiom	$x = 0$	$l . 2$	$m(2, 3)$	#1
Derive	$x = 0$	$l \text{ SUB } 2$	$m \text{ SUB } 2 \text{ SUB } 3$	$\text{DIMENSION}(l)$
Macsyma	$x = 0$	$l[2]$	$m[2, 3]$	$\text{length}(l)$
Maple	$x = 0$	$l[2]$	$m[2, 3]$	$\text{nops}(l)$
Mathematica	$x == 0$	$l[[2]]$	$m[[2, 3]]$	$\text{Length}[l]$
MuPAD	$x = 0$	$l[2]$	$m[2, 3]$	$\text{nops}(l)$
Reduce	$x = 0$	$\text{part}(l, 2)$	$m(2, 3)$	$\text{length}(l)$
		Prepend/append an element to a list		Append two lists
Axiom	$\text{cons}(e, l)$	$\text{concat}(l, e)$		$\text{append}(l1, l2)$
Derive	$\text{APPEND}([e], l)$	$\text{APPEND}(l, [e])$		$\text{APPEND}(l1, l2)$
Macsyma	$\text{cons}(e, l)$	$\text{endcons}(e, l)$		$\text{append}(l1, l2)$
Maple	$[e, \text{op}(l)]$	$[\text{op}(l), e]$		$[\text{op}(l1), \text{op}(l2)]$
Mathematica	$\text{Prepend}[l, e]$	$\text{Append}[l, e]$		$\text{Join}[l1, l2]$
MuPAD	$[e, \text{op}(l)]$	$\text{append}(l, e)$		$l1 . l2$
Reduce	$e . l$	$\text{append}(l, e)$		$\text{append}(l1, l2)$
		Matrix column dimension		Convert a list into a column vector
Axiom	$\text{ncols}(m)$			$\text{transpose}(\text{matrix}([l]))$
Derive	$\text{DIMENSION}(m \text{ SUB } 1)$			$[l]`$
Macsyma	$\text{mat_ncols}(m)$			$\text{transpose}(\text{matrix}(l))$
Maple	$\text{linalg}[\text{coldim}](m)$			$\text{linalg}[\text{transpose}](\text{matrix}([l]))$
Mathematica	$\text{Dimensions}[m][[2]]$			$\text{Transpose}[\{l\}]$
MuPAD	$\text{linalg}::\text{ncols}(m)$			$\text{transpose}(\text{matrix}([l]))^2$
Reduce	$\text{load_package(linalg)}\$$			$\text{matrix } v(\text{length}(l), 1)\$$
	$\text{column_dim}(m)$			$\text{for } i:=1:\text{length}(l) \text{ do}$ $v(i, 1):= \text{part}(l, i)$
		Convert a column vector into a list		
Axiom		$[v(i, 1) \text{ for } i \text{ in } 1..\text{nrows}(v)]$		
Derive		$v` \text{ SUB } 1$		
Macsyma		$\text{part}(\text{transpose}(v), 1)$		
Maple		$\text{op}(\text{convert}(\text{linalg}[\text{transpose}](v), \text{listlist}))$		
Mathematica		$\text{Flatten}[v]$		
MuPAD		$[\text{op}(v)]$		
Reduce		$\text{load_package(linalg)}\$$		
		$\text{for } i:=1:\text{row_dim}(v) \text{ collect}(v(i, 1))$		

²See the definition of `matrix` above.

	True	False	And	Or	Not	Equal	Not equal				
Axiom	true	false	and	or	not	=	\neq				
Derive	TRUE	FALSE	AND	OR	NOT	=	\neq				
Macsyma	true	false	and	or	not	=	#				
Maple	true	false	and	or	not	=	\neq				
Mathematica	True	False	&&		!	==	\neq				
MuPAD	true	false	and	or	not	=	\neq				
Reduce	t	nil	and	or	not	=	neq				
	If+then+else statements				Strings (concatenated)						
Axiom	if _ then _ else if _ then _ else _				concat(["x", "y"])						
Derive	IF(_ , _ , IF(_ , _ , _))				"xy"						
Macsyma	if _ then _ else if _ then _ else _				concat("x", "y")						
Maple	if _ then _ elif _ then _ else _ fi				"x" . "y"						
Mathematica	If[_, _, If[_, _, _]]				"x" <> "y"						
MuPAD	if _ then _ elif _ then _ else _				"x" . "y"						
Reduce	end_if										
	if _ then _ else if _ then _ else _				"xy" or mkid(x, y)						
	Simple loop and Block				Generate the list [1, 2, ..., n]						
Axiom	for i in 1..n repeat (x; y)				[f(i) for i in 1..n]						
Derive	VECTOR([x, y], i, 1, n)				VECTOR(f(i), i, 1, n)						
Macsyma	for i:1 thru n do (x, y);				makelist(f(i), i, 1, n);						
Maple	for i from 1 to n do x; y od;				[f(i) \$ i = 1..n];						
Mathematica	Do[x; y, {i, 1, n}]				Table[f[i], {i, 1, n}]						
MuPAD	for i from 1 to n do x; y				[f(i) \$ i = 1..n];						
Reduce	end_for;										
	for i:=1:n do <<x; y>>;				for i:=1:n collect f(i);						
	Complex loop iterating on a list										
Axiom	for x in [2, 3, 5] while x**2 < 10 repeat output(x)										
Derive											
Macsyma	for x in [2, 3, 5] while x^2 < 10 do print(x)\$										
Maple	for x in [2, 3, 5] while x^2 < 10 do print(x) od:										
Mathematica	For[l = {2, 3, 5}, l != {} && l[[1]]^2 < 10,										
	l = Rest[l], Print[l[[1]]]]										
MuPAD	for x in [2, 3, 5] do if x^2 < 10 then print(x) end_if										
Reduce	end_for:										
	for each x in {2, 3, 5} do if x^2 < 10 then write(x)\$										

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	Assignment	Function definition	Clear vars and funs
Axiom	<code>y := f(x)</code>	<code>f(x, y) == x*y</code>	<code>)clear properties y f</code>
Derive	<code>y := f(x)</code>	<code>f(x, y) := x*y</code>	<code>y := f :=</code>
Macsyma	<code>y: f(x);</code>	<code>f(x, y) := x*y;</code>	<code>remvalue(y)\$</code> <code>remfunction(f)\$</code>
Maple	<code>y := f(x);</code>	<code>f := proc(x, y) x*y end;</code>	<code>y := 'y': f := 'f':</code>
Mathematica	<code>y = f[x]</code>	<code>f[x_, y_] := x*y</code>	<code>Clear[y, f]</code>
MuPAD	<code>y := f(x);</code>	<code>f := proc(x, y) begin x*y end_proc;</code>	<code>y := NIL: f := NIL:</code>
Reduce	<code>y := f(x);</code>	<code>procedure f(x, y); x*y;</code>	<code>clear y, f;</code>
	Function definition with a local variable		
Axiom	<code>f(x) == (local n; n:= 2; n*x)</code>		
Derive			
Macsyma	<code>f(x) := block([n], n: 2, n*x);</code>		
Maple	<code>f := proc(x) local n; n:= 2; n*x end;</code>		
Mathematica	<code>f[x_]:= Module[{n}, n = 2; n*x]</code>		
MuPAD	<code>f := proc(x) local n; begin n:= 2; n*x end_proc;</code>		
Reduce	<code>procedure f(x); begin scalar n; n:= 2; return(n*x) end;</code>		
	Return unevaluated symbol	Define a function from an expression	
Axiom	<code>e := x*y; 'e</code>	<code>function(e, f, x, y)</code>	
Derive	<code>e := x*y 'e</code>	<code>f(x, y) := e</code>	
Macsyma	<code>e: x*y\$ 'e;</code>	<code>define(f(x, y), e);</code>	
Maple	<code>e := x*y: 'e';</code>	<code>f := unapply(e, x, y);</code>	
Mathematica	<code>e = x*y; HoldForm[e]</code>	<code>f[x_, y_] = e</code>	
MuPAD	<code>e := x*y: hold(e);</code>	<code>f := hold(func)(e, x, y);</code>	
Reduce	<code>e := x*y\$</code>	<code>for all x, y let f(x, y) := e;</code>	
	Fun. of an indefinite number of args	Apply "+" to sum a list	
Axiom			
Derive	<code>LST l := l</code>	<code>reduce(+, [1, 2])</code>	
Macsyma	<code>lst([1]):= l;</code>	<code>apply("+", [1, 2])</code>	
Maple	<code>lst:=proc() [args[1..nargs]] end;</code>	<code>convert([1, 2], `+`)</code>	
Mathematica	<code>lst[l___]:= {l}</code>	<code>Apply[Plus, {1, 2}]</code>	
MuPAD	<code>lst:= proc(l) begin [args()] end_proc;</code>	<code>-plus(op([1, 2]))</code>	
Reduce	<code>xapply(+, {1, 2})³</code>		

³`procedure xapply(f, lst); lisp(f . cdr(lst))$`

	Apply a fun. to a list of its args	Map an anonymous function onto a list
Axiom	<code>reduce(f, l)</code>	<code>map(x +> x + y, [1, 2])</code>
Derive		<code>x:= [1, 2]</code>
Macsyma	<code>apply(f, l)</code>	<code>VECTOR(x SUB i + y, i, 1, DIMENSION(x))</code>
Maple	<code>f(op(1))</code>	<code>map(x -> x + y, [1, 2])</code>
Mathematica	<code>Apply[f, l]</code>	<code>Map[# + y &, {1, 2}]</code>
MuPAD	<code>f(op(1))</code>	<code>map([1, 2], func(x + y, x))</code>
Reduce	<code>xapply(f, l)³</code>	<code>for each x in {1, 2} collect x + y</code>
Pattern matching: $f(3y) + f(zy) \rightarrow 3f(y) + f(zy)$		
Axiom	<code>f := operator('f);</code> <code>(rule f((n integer?(n)) * x) == n*f(x))(-</code> <code> f(3*y) + f(z*y))</code>	
Derive		
Macsyma	<code>matchdeclare(n, integerp, x, true)\$</code> <code>defrule(fnx, f(n*x), n*f(x))\$</code> <code>apply1(f(3*y) + f(z*y), fnx);</code>	
Maple	<code>map(proc(q) local m;</code> <code> if match(q = f(n*y), y, 'm') and</code> <code> type(rhs(op(m)), integer) then</code> <code> subs(m, n * f(y)) else q fi</code> <code> end,</code> <code> f(3*y) + f(z*y));</code>	
Mathematica	<code>f[3*y] + f[z*y] /. f[n_Integer * x_] -> n*f[x]</code>	
MuPAD	<code>d := domain("match"): d::FREEVARIABLE:= TRUE:</code> <code>n := new(d, "n", func(testtype(m, DOM_INT), m)):</code> <code>x := new(d, "x", TRUE):</code> <code>map(f(3*y) + f(z*y),</code> <code> proc(q) local m; begin m:= match(q, f(n*x));</code> <code> if m = FAIL then q</code> <code> else subs(hold("n" * f("x")), m) end_if</code> <code> end_proc);</code>	
Reduce	<code>operator f;</code> <code>f(3*y) + f(z*y)</code> <code> where {f(~n * ~x) => n*f(x) when fixp(n)};</code>	
Define a new infix operator and then use it		
Axiom		
Derive		
Macsyma	<code>infix("~~")\$ "~~"(x, y):= sqrt(x^2 + y^2)\$ 3 ~~ 4;</code>	
Maple	<code>`&~` := (x, y) -> sqrt(x^2 + y^2): 3 &~ 4;</code>	
Mathematica	<code>x_ \[Tilde] y_ := Sqrt[x^2 + y^2]; 3 \[Tilde] 4</code>	
MuPAD	<code>tilde:= proc(x, y) begin sqrt(x^2 + y^2) end_proc:</code> <code>3 &tilde 4;</code>	
Reduce	<code>infix \$ procedure (x, y); sqrt(x^2 + y^2)\$ 3 4;</code>	

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	Main expression operator	1 st operand	List of expression operands
Axiom ⁴		kernels(e) . 1	kernels(e) various ⁵
Derive			
Macsyma	part(e, 0)	part(e, 1)	args(e)
Maple	op(0, e)	op(1, e)	[op(e)]
Mathematica	Head[e]	e[[1]]	ReplacePart[e, List, 0]
MuPAD	op(e, 0)	op(e, 1)	[op(e)]
Reduce	part(e, 0)	part(e, 1)	for i:=1:arglength(e) collect part(e, i)
Print text and results			
Axiom	output(concat(["sin(", string(0), ")", string(sin(0))]));		
Derive	"sin(0)" = sin(0)		
Macsyma	print("sin(", 0, ") =" , sin(0))\$		
Maple	printf("sin(%a) = %a\n", 0, sin(0)):		
Mathematica	Print[StringForm["sin(``)= ``", 0, Sin[0]]];		
MuPAD	print(Unquoted, "sin(.0.)" = sin(0)):		
Reduce	write("sin(", 0, ") = ", sin(0))\$		
Generate FORTRAN		Generate TeX/LaTeX	
Axiom	outputAsFortran(e)	outputAsTex(e)	
Derive	[Transfer Save Fortran]		
Macsyma	fortran(e)\$ or gentran(eval(e))\$	tex(e);	
Maple	fortran([e]);	latex(e);	
Mathematica	FortranForm[e]	TexForm[e]	
MuPAD	generate::fortran(e);	generate::TeX(e);	
Reduce	on fort; e; off fort; or load_package(tri)\$ load_package(gentran)\$ gentran e;	load_package(tri)\$ on TeX; e; off TeX;	
Import two space separated columns of integers from file			
Axiom	[Transfer Load daTa] (from file.dat)		
Derive	xy: read_num_data_to_matrix("file", nrows, 2)\$		
Macsyma	xy:= readdata("file", integer, 2):		
Maple	xy = ReadList["file", Number, RecordLists -> True]		
Mathematica			
MuPAD			
Reduce			

⁴The following commands work only on expressions that consist of a single level (e.g., $x + y + z$ but not $a/b + c/d$).

⁵TERMS, FACTORS, NUMERATOR, LHS, etc.

Export two space separated columns of integers to file ⁶	
Axiom)set output algebra "file" (creates file.spout) for i in 1..n repeat output(- concat([string(xy(i, 1)), " ", string(xy(i, 2))]))))set output algebra console
Derive	xy [Transfer Print Expressions File] (creates file.prt)
Macsyma	writefile("file")\$ for i:1 thru n do print(xy[i, 1], xy[i, 2])\$ closefile()\$
Maple	writedata("file", xy);
Mathematica	outfile = OpenWrite["file"]; Do[WriteString[outfile, xy[[i, 1]], " ", xy[[i, 2]], "\n"], {i, 1, n}] Close[outfile];
MuPAD	fprint(Unquoted, Text, "file", ("\n", xy[i, 1], xy[i, 2]) \$ i = 1..n):
Reduce	out "file"; for i:=1:n do write(xy(i, 1), " ", xy(i, 2)); shut "file";

1.3 Mathematics and Graphics

	e	π	i	$+\infty$	$\sqrt{2}$	$2^{1/3}$
Axiom	%e	%pi	%i	%plusInfinity	sqrt(2)	2** (1/3)
Derive	#e	pi	#i	inf	SQRT(2)	2^(1/3)
Macsyma	%e	%pi	%i	inf	sqrt(2)	2^(1/3)
Maple	exp(1)	Pi	I	infinity	sqrt(2)	2^(1/3)
Mathematica	E	Pi	I	Infinity	Sqrt[2]	2^(1/3)
MuPAD	E	PI	I	infinity	sqrt(2)	2^(1/3)
Reduce	e	pi	i	infinity	sqrt(2)	2^(1/3)

	Euler's constant	Natural log	Arctangent	$n!$
Axiom		log(x)	atan(x)	factorial(n)
Derive	euler_gamma	LOG(x)	ATAN(x)	n!
Macsyma	%gamma	log(x)	atan(x)	n!
Maple	gamma	log(x)	arctan(x)	n!
Mathematica	EulerGamma	Log[x]	ArcTan[x]	n!
MuPAD	EULER	ln(x)	atan(x)	n!
Reduce	Euler_Gamma	log(x)	atan(x)	factorial(n)

⁶Some editing of file will be necessary for all systems but Maple and Mathematica.

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	Legendre polynomial	Chebyshev poly. of the 1 st kind		
Axiom	legendreP(n, x)	chebyshevT(n, x)		
Derive	LEGENDRE_P(n, x)	CHEBYCHEV_T(n, x)		
Macsyma	legendre_p(n, x)	chebyshev_t(n, x)		
Maple	orthopoly[P](n, x)	orthopoly[T](n, x)		
Mathematica	LegendreP[n, x]	ChebyshevT[n, x]		
MuPAD	orthpoly::legendre(n, x)	orthpoly::chebyshev1(n, x)		
Reduce	LegendreP(n, x)	ChebyshevT(n, x)		
	Fibonacci number	Elliptic integral of the 1 st kind		
Axiom	fibonacci(n)			
Derive	FIBONACCI(n)	ELLIPTIC_E(phi, k^2)		
Macsyma	fib(n)	elliptic_e(phi, k^2)		
Maple	combinat[fibonacci](n)	EllipticE(sin(phi), k)		
Mathematica	Fibonacci[n]	EllipticE[phi, k^2]		
MuPAD	numlib::fibonacci(n)			
Reduce		EllipticE(phi, k^2)		
	$\Gamma(x)$	$\psi(x)$	Cosine integral	Bessel fun. (1 st)
Axiom	Gamma(x)	psi(x)	real(Ei(%i*x))	besselJ(n, x)
Derive	GAMMA(x)	PSI(x)	CI(x)	BESSEL_J(n, x)
Macsyma	gamma(x)	psi[0](x)	cos_int(x)	bessel_j[n](x)
Maple	GAMMA(x)	Psi(x)	Ci(x)	BesselJ(n, x)
Mathematica	Gamma[x]	PolyGamma[x]	CosIntegral[x]	BesselJ[n, x]
MuPAD	gamma(x)	psi(x)		besselJ(n, x)
Reduce	Gamma(x)	Psi(x)	Ci(x)	BesselJ(n, x)
	Hypergeometric fun. ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; x)$	Dirac delta	Unit step fun.	
Axiom			STEP(x)	
Derive	GAUSS(a, b, c, x)			
Macsyma	hgfred([a, b], [c], x)	delta(x)	unit_step(x)	
Maple	hypergeom([a, b], [c], x)	Dirac(x)	Heaviside(x)	
Mathematica	HypergeometricPFQ[{a,b},{c},x]	<< Calculus`DiracDelta`		
MuPAD		dirac(x)	heaviside(x)	
Reduce	hypergeometric({a, b}, {c}, x)			
	Define $ x $ via a piecewise function			
Axiom				
Derive	a(x) := -x*CHI(-inf, x, 0) + x*CHI(0, x, inf)			
Macsyma	a(x) := -x*unit_step(-x) + x*unit_step(x)\$			
Maple	a := x -> piecewise(x < 0, -x, x):			
Mathematica	<< Calculus`DiracDelta`			
MuPAD	a[x_] := -x*UnitStep[-x] + x*UnitStep[x]			
Reduce	a := proc(x) begin -x*heaviside(-x) + x*heaviside(x) end_proc:			

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	Assume x is real	Remove that assumption
Axiom		
Derive	<code>x :epsilon Real</code>	<code>x :=</code>
Macsyma	<code>declare(x, real)\$</code>	<code>remove(x, real)\$</code>
Maple	<code>assume(x, real);</code>	<code>x := 'x':</code>
Mathematica	<code>x/: Im[x] = 0;</code>	<code>Clear[x]</code>
MuPAD	<code>assume(x, Type::RealNum):</code>	<code>unassume(x, Type::RealNum):</code>
Reduce		
	Assume $0 < x \leq 1$	Remove that assumption
Axiom		
Derive	<code>x :epsilon (0, 1]</code>	<code>x :=</code>
Macsyma	<code>assume(x > 0, x <= 1)\$</code>	<code>forget(x > 0, x <= 1)\$</code>
Maple	<code>assume(x > 0);</code>	<code>x := 'x':</code>
Mathematica	<code>assumptionally(x <= 1);</code> <code>Assumptions -> 0 < x <= 1⁷</code>	
MuPAD	<code>assume(x > 0): assume(x <= 1):</code>	<code>unassume(x):</code>
Reduce		
	Basic simplification of an expression e	
Axiom	<code>simplify(e) or normalize(e) or complexNormalize(e)</code>	
Derive	<code>e</code>	
Macsyma	<code>ratsimp(e) or radcan(e)</code>	
Maple	<code>simplify(e)</code>	
Mathematica	<code>Simplify[e] or FullSimplify[e]</code>	
MuPAD	<code>simplify(e) or normal(e)</code>	
Reduce	<code>e</code>	
	Use an unknown function	Numerically evaluate an expr.
Axiom	<code>f := operator('f); f(x)</code>	<code>exp(1) :: Complex Float</code>
Derive	<code>f(x) :=</code>	<code>Precision:= Approximate</code>
	<code>f(x)</code>	<code>APPROX(EXP(1))</code>
		<code>Precision:= Exact</code>
Macsyma	<code>f(x)</code>	<code>sfloat(exp(1));</code>
Maple	<code>f(x)</code>	<code>evalf(exp(1));</code>
Mathematica	<code>f[x]</code>	<code>N[Exp[1]]</code>
MuPAD	<code>f(x)</code>	<code>float(exp(1));</code>
Reduce	<code>operator f; f(x)</code>	<code>on rounded; exp(1);</code> <code>off rounded;</code>

⁷This is an option for `Integrate`.

	$n \bmod m$	Solve $e \equiv 0 \bmod m$ for x
Axiom	<code>rem(n, m)</code>	<code>solve(e = 0 :: PrimeField(m), x)</code>
Derive	<code>MOD(n, m)</code>	<code>SOLVE_MOD(e = 0, x, m)</code>
Macsyma	<code>mod(n, m)</code>	<code>modulus: m\$ solve(e = 0, x)</code>
Maple	<code>n mod m</code>	<code>msolve(e = 0, m)</code>
Mathematica	<code>Mod[n, m]</code>	<code>Solve[{e == 0, Modulus == m}, x]</code>
MuPAD	<code>n mod m</code>	<code>solve(poly(e = 0, [x], IntMod(m)), x)</code>
Reduce	<code>on modular;</code> <code>setmod m\$ n</code>	<code>load_package(modsr)\$ on modular;</code> <code>m_solve(e = 0, x)</code>
	Put over common denominator	Expand into separate fractions
Axiom	$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}$	$\frac{(a*d + b*c)}{(b*d)} :: - \\ \text{MPOLY}([a], \text{FRAC POLY INT})$
Derive	<code>FACTOR(a/b + c/d, Trivial)</code>	<code>EXPAND((a*d + b*c)/(b*d))</code>
Macsyma	<code>xthru(a/b + c/d)</code>	<code>expand((a*d + b*c)/(b*d))</code>
Maple	<code>normal(a/b + c/d)</code>	<code>expand((a*d + b*c)/(b*d))</code>
Mathematica	<code>Together[a/b + c/d]</code>	<code>Apart[(a*d + b*c)/(b*d)]</code>
MuPAD	<code>normal(a/b + c/d)</code>	<code>expand((a*d + b*c)/(b*d))</code>
Reduce	$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}$	<code>on div; (a*d + b*c)/(b*d)</code>
	Manipulate the root of a polynomial	
Axiom	<code>a := root0f(x**2 - 2); a**2</code>	
Derive		
Macsyma	<code>algebraic:true\$ tellrat(a^2 - 2)\$ rat(a^2);</code>	
Maple	<code>a := Root0f(x^2 - 2): simplify(a^2);</code>	
Mathematica	<code>a = Root[#^2 - 2 &, 2] a^2</code>	
MuPAD		
Reduce	<code>load_package(arnum)\$. defpoly(a^2 - 2); a^2;</code>	
	Noncommutative multiplication	Solve a pair of equations
Axiom		<code>solve([eqn1, eqn2], [x, y])</code>
Derive	<code>x :epsilon Nonscalar</code> <code>y :epsilon Nonscalar</code>	<code>SOLVE([eqn1, eqn2], [x, y])</code>
Macsyma	<code>x . y</code>	<code>solve([eqn1, eqn2], [x, y])</code>
Maple	<code>x . y</code>	<code>solve({eqn1, eqn2}, {x, y})</code>
Mathematica	<code>x &* y</code>	<code>Solve[{eqn1, eqn2}, {x, y}]</code>
MuPAD	<code>x ** y</code>	<code>solve({eqn1, eqn2}, {x, y})</code>
Reduce	<code>operator x, y;</code> <code>noncom x, y;</code> <code>x() * y()</code>	<code>solve({eqn1, eqn2}, {x, y})</code>

	Decrease/increase angles in trigonometric functions		
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	simplify(normalize(sin(2*x))) Trigonometry:= Expand Trigonometry:= Collect sin(2*x) 2*sin(x)*cos(x) trigexpand(sin(2*x)) trigreduce(2*sin(x)*cos(x)) expand(sin(2*x)) combine(2*sin(x)*cos(x)) TrigExpand[Sin[2*x]] TrigReduce[2*Sin[x]*Cos[x]] expand(sin(2*x)) combine(2*sin(x)*cos(x), sincos) load_package(assist)\$ trigexpand(sin(2*x)) trigreduce(2*sin(x)*cos(x))		
	Gröbner basis		
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	groebner([p1, p2, ...]) grobner([p1, p2, ...]) Groebner[gbasis]([p1, p2, ...], plex(x1, x2, ...)) GroebnerBasis[{p1, p2, ...}, {x1, x2, ...}] groebner::gbasis([p1, p2, ...]) load_package(groebner)\$ groebner({p1, p2, ...})		
	Factorization of e over $i = \sqrt{-1}$		
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	factor(e, [rootOf(i**2 + 1)]) FACTOR(e, Complex) gfactor(e); or factor(e, i^2 + 1); factor(e, I); Factor[e, Extension -> I] QI:= Dom::AlgebraicExtension(Dom::Rational, i^2 + 1); QI::name:= "QI": Factor(poly(e, QI)); on complex, factor; e; off complex, factor;		
	Real part	Convert a complex expr. to rectangular form	
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	real(f(z)) RE(f(z)) realpart(f(z)) Re(f(z)) Re[f[z]] Re(f(z)) repart(f(z))	complexForm(f(z)) f(z) rectform(f(z)) evalc(f(z)) ComplexExpand[f[z]] rectform(f(z)) repart(f(z)) + i*impart(f(z))	
	Matrix addition	Matrix multiplication	Matrix transpose
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	A + B A + B A + B evalm(A + B) A + B A + B A + B	A * B A . B A . B evalm(A &* B) A . B A * B A * B	transpose(A) A` transpose(A) linalg[transpose](A) Transpose[A] transpose(A) tp(A)

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	Solve the matrix equation $Ax = b$	
Axiom Macsyma	<pre>solve(A, transpose(b)) . 1 . particular :: Matrix __ xx: genvector('x, mat_nrows(b))\$</pre>	
Maple	<pre>x: part(matlinsolve(A . xx = b, xx), 1, 2)</pre>	
Mathematica	<pre>x:= linalg[linsolve](A, b) x = LinearSolve[A, b]</pre>	
	Sum: $\sum_{i=1}^n f(i)$	Product: $\prod_{i=1}^n f(i)$
Axiom Derive Macsyma	<pre>sum(f(i), i = 1..n) SUM(f(i), i, 1, n) closedform(sum(f(i), i, 1, n))</pre>	<pre>product(f(i), i = 1..n) PRODUCT(f(i), i, 1, n) closedform(product(f(i), i, 1, n))</pre>
Maple Mathematica	<pre>sum(f(i), i = 1..n) Sum[f[i], {i, 1, n}]</pre>	<pre>product(f(i), i = 1..n) Product[f[i], {i, 1, n}]</pre>
MuPAD Reduce	<pre>sum(f(i), i = 1..n) sum(f(i), i, 1, n)</pre>	<pre>product(f(i), i = 1..n) prod(f(i), i, 1, n)</pre>
	Limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$	Taylor/Laurent/etc. series
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	<pre>limit(f(x), x = 0, "left") LIM(f(x), x, 0, -1) limit(f(x), x, 0, minus) limit(f(x), x = 0, left) Limit[f[x], x->0, Direction->1] limit(f(x), x = 0, Left) limit!-(f(x), x, 0)</pre>	<pre>series(f(x), x = 0, 3) TAYLOR(f(x), x, 0, 3) taylor(f(x), x, 0, 3) series(f(x), x = 0, 4) Series[f[x],{x, 0, 3}] series(f(x), x = 0, 4) taylor(f(x), x, 0, 3)</pre>
	Differentiate: $\frac{d^3 f(x,y)}{dx dy^2}$	Integrate: $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	<pre>D(f(x, y), [x, y], [1, 2]) DIF(DIF(f(x, y), x), y, 2) diff(f(x, y), x, 1, y, 2) diff(f(x, y), x, y\$2) D[f[x, y], x, {y, 2}] diff(f(x, y), x, y\$2) df(f(x, y), x, y, 2)</pre>	<pre>integrate(f(x), x = 0..1) INT(f(x), x, 0, 1) integrate(f(x), x, 0, 1) int(f(x), x = 0..1) Integrate[f[x], {x, 0, 1}] int(f(x), x = 0..1) int(f(x), x, 0, 1)</pre>
	Laplace transform	Inverse Laplace transform
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	<pre>laplace(e, t, s) LAPACE(e, t, s) laplace(e, t, s) inttrans[laplace](e,t,s) << Calculus`LaplaceTransform` LaplaceTransform[e, t, s] transform::laplace(e,t,s) load_package(laplace)\$ laplace(e, t, s)</pre>	<pre>inverseLaplace(e, s, t) ilt(e, s, t) inttrans[invlaplace](e,s,t) InverseLaplaceTransform[e,s,t] transform::ilaplace(e, s, t) load_package(defint)\$ invlap(e, t, s)</pre>

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	Solve an ODE (with the initial condition $y'(0) = 1$)
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	<pre>solve(eqn, y, x) APPLY_IC(RHS(ODE(eqn, x, y, y_), [x, 0], [y, 1]) ode_abc(ode(eqn, y(x), x), x = 0, diff(y(x), x) = 1) dsolve({eqn, D(y)(0) = 1}, y(x)) DSolve[{eqn, y'[0] == 1}, y[x], x] solve(ode({eqn, D(y)(0) = 1}, y(x))) odesolve(eqn, y(x), x)</pre>
	Define the differential operator $L = D_x + I$ and apply it to $\sin x$
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	<pre>DD : LODO(Expression Integer, e +> D(e, x)) := D(); L := DD + 1; L(sin(x)) load(opalg)\$ L: (diffop(x) - 1)\$ L(sin(x)); id := x -> x: L := (D + id): L(sin)(x); L = D[#, x]& + Identity; Through[L[Sin[x]]] L := (D + id): L(sin)(x);</pre>
	2D plot of two separate curves overlayed
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	<pre>draw(x, x = 0..1); draw(acsch(x), x = 0..1); [Plot Overlay] plot(x, x, 0, 1)\$ plot(acsch(x), x, 0, 1)\$ plot({x, arccsch(x)}, x = 0..1): Plot[{x, ArcCsch[x]}, {x, 0, 1}]: plotfunc(x, acsch(x), x = 0..1): load_package(gnuplot)\$ plot(y = x, x = (0 .. 1))\$ plot(y = acsch(x), x = (0 .. 1))\$</pre>
	Simple 3D plotting
Axiom Derive Macsyma Maple Mathematica MuPAD Reduce	<pre>draw(abs(x*y), x = 0..1, y = 0..1); [Plot Overlay] plot3d(abs(x*y), x, 0, 1, y, 0, 1)\$ plot3d(abs(x*y), x = 0..1, y = 0..1): Plot3D[Abs[x*y], {x, 0, 1}, {y, 0, 1}]: plotfunc(abs(x*y), x = 0..1, y = 0..1): load_package(gnuplot)\$ plot(z = abs(x*y), x = (0 .. 1), y = (0 .. 1))\$</pre>