Maple

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Outline

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- Procedures

Resources

- The Maple website is the major resource: http://www.maplesoft.com/
- There are downloadable manuals on the website. You need to register, but can then download the manuals without cost: http://www.maplesoft.com/documentation%5Fcenter/
- Yong Wang has some Maple examples on his website: http://www.stat.auckland.ac.nz/~yongwang/782/week10.html and http://www.stat.auckland.ac.nz/~yongwang/782/week11.html
- This website has a number of useful-looking tutorials: http://www.gmi.edu/acad/scimath/appmath/maple/

Introduction

What is Maple?

- It is a computer algebra system
- Various names are used for this sort of computation: symbolic computation, symbolic manipulation, formula manipulation, computer algebra
- Symbolic computation differs from numeric computation in that it manipulates symbols representing mathematical objects
- The mathematical objects may represent number such as integers, real numbers and complex numbers, but may also be such things as polynomials, functions, algebraic structures such as groups, rings and fields
- The manipulations are carried out exactly using the rules of algebra

Examples of Computations

- The sort of manipulations carried out are:
 - factorisation of polynomials
 - differentiation and integration
 - series expansions
 - determination of limits
 - simplification of expressions
 - analytic solution of differential equations
 - exact solution of systems of equations
- Most computer algebra systems do also allow the numerical evaluation of expressions
- Sometimes computer algebra systems will produce code in a language such as Fortran to numerically evaluate a symbolic expression

A Sample Session

Numerical Calculation

- Maple uses exact arithmetic, not floating point approximations
 - > 105/25;

21/5

> interface(screenwidth=60);

79

> 100!;

93326215443944152681699238856266700490715968264381621468 5929638952175999932299156089414639761565182862536979 2082722375825118521091686400000000000000000000000000

> interface(screenwidth=79);

Built-in Constants and Functions

- Standard mathematical constants are built-in, likewise standard functions such as the trigonometric functions
 - > sin(Pi/2);
- Numerical evaluation to any accuracy is possible
 - > evalf(Pi,25);

3.141592653589793238462643

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Algebraic Manipulation

- Common manipulations of algebraic expressions are included
 - > expand($(1+x)^2$);

> factor(%);

2 (1 + x)

1 + 2 x + x

2

- This includes trigonometric identities
 - > expand(sin(a+b));

```
\sin(a) \cos(b) + \cos(a) \sin(b)(x))/(1+\sin(x)-\cos(x)));
```

> simplify((1+sin(x)+cos(x))/(1+sin(x)-cos(x)));

 $1 + \cos(x)$

Solution of Equations

- Single equations can be solved
 > solve(x^2-x=1,x);
 1/2 1/2
 5 5
 1/2 + ----, 1/2 ---2 2
- Sets of equations can likewise be solved

Plotting

- Functions can be plotted
- 3-d plots are possible, including animation of plots

```
plot(sin(x),x=-Pi..2*Pi);
expr:=Int(x^2*sin(x-a),x);
answer:=value(expr);
plot3d(answer,x=-Pi..Pi,a=0..1);
with(plots):
animate(answer,x=-Pi..Pi,a=0..1);
```

Limits

- Limits can be evaluated
 - > limit((x^2-4)/(x-2),x=2);

4

> limit(tan(x),x=Pi/2);

undefined

Limits can be taken from a particular side

```
> limit(tan(x),x=Pi/2,`left`);
```

infinity

Differentiation

Differentiation is a mechanical process, ideal for a computer
 > Diff(exp(-x²),x);

d 2 --- exp(-x~) dx~

> value(%);

2 -2 x~ exp(-x~)

- Integration is much more difficult
- Maple knows all the rules you were taught in calculus classes
 - > Int(x^2*sin(x),x);

> value(%);

The integration constant is omitted

Definite integrals may be evaluated

```
> Int(x^2*sin(x),x=0..1);
```



> value(%);

 $\cos(1) + 2 \sin(1) - 2$

> evalf(%%,10);

0.223244276

Practicalities

Starting, Stopping etc

- Start the gui version of maple on unix using xmaple
- The text version is started simply with maple
- Terminate a session with quit or in the gui version by using a menu, or a keyboard shortcut
- Obtain help using help or ?
- For help on a particular topic, help(topic) or ?topic
- Help is available from menus in the gui version

Input and Output

- Different input and output displays are possible in the gui version
- Inputs may be either ascii (similar to T_EX) or in Maple input format
- Output may be in Maple notation, as character, or in LTEX format
- The worksheet can include text so that the commands used can be documented
- The text can be formatted with titles, headings, different fonts etc
- The command latex will write a single expression in LateX

Use of latex Command

Here is a Maple command which produces an integral

> latex(expr);

 $int \left\{e^{-x}^{2}\right\}\ln \left(x \right) dx$

Which produces

$$\int e^{-x^2} \ln\left(x\right) dx$$

Output

- Maple output as LATEX requires style files
- Different versions of Maple require different style files
- It appears now a Maple class is available
- The required style files ship with Maple
- On stat12, the files are in /usr/local/maple9.5/etc
- Copy the files to your TEXINPUTS directory
- Maple will create .eps files for any plots in the output, and will include LATEXcode to include any plots in the typeset document

Batch Processing

- You can use redirection in unix to read Maple commands from a file and save the output in a file
- When in Maple, you can read a file of Maple commands in with > read `filename`
- To ensure that commands are included along with the files, set the interface variable echo to 2, using interface(echo=2)

Maple Syntax

- Arguments are given in parentheses (. .)
- Square brackets [. .] are reserved for grouping operations: vectors, matrices and lists
- Commands must end with a semicolon (;) or colon (:)
- The result is displayed if the command is ended with a semicolon, but not if ended with a colon
- Multiplication is represented by an asterisk (*): enter 2*x*y to evaluate 2xy, not 2xy
- Powers are entered with ^
- Use brackets to ensure the correct order of operations

Basic Operations

Exact Calculations

- Basic calculations are fairly obvious
 - > 12315/35;

2463/7

> (22431)*(832748)*(387281);

7234165243235028

> sqrt(27);

1/2 3 3

Expressions are not routinely simplified, but simplification can be explicitly requested

> 8^(2/3);

(2/3) 8

4

> simplify(%);

Determining Roots

Care is needed with the order of operations		
> (-27/64)^2/3;		
	243	
	4096	
> (-27/64)^(2/3);		
	2/3	1/3
	(-27) 6	54
	64	

Determining Roots

- simplify doesn't always behave as expected, surd is useful in calculating roots
- I here represents $\sqrt{-1}$

Built-in Constants

- Sesides $\sqrt{-1}$, denoted by I, Maple has
 - $e \approx 2.71828$ denoted by exp(1)
 - $\pi \approx 3.14159$ denoted by Pi
 - . ∞ denoted by <code>infinity</code>
 - Euler's constant $\gamma \approx 0.577216$ denoted by gamma

Built-in Functions

- Built-in functions include
 - the exponential function exp(x)
 - the natural logarithm ln(x)
 - the absolute value function abs(x)
 - trigonometric functions sin(x), cos(x), tan(x),
 sec(x), csc(x), cot(x)
 - inverse trigonometric functions arcsin(x), arccos(x), arctan(x), arcsec(x), arccsc(x), arccot(x)
 - hyperbolic trigonometric functions and their inverses
 - special functions such as Bessel functions (including BesselI(v,x), BesselJ(v,x), BesselK(v,x))

Algebraic Operations on Expressions

- factor(expression)
- expand(expression)
- simplify(expression)
- normal(expression) provides a basic simplification of rational functions. The numerator and denominator are relatively prime polynomials with integer coefficients
- convert(expression,parfrac,variable) computes the partial fraction decomposition of expression in terms of the variable variable
- convert(expression,exp) converts a trigonometric expression to an exponential expression
- Many other conversions are possible—see ?convert

Algebraic Operations

> factor(12*x^2+27*x*y-84*y^2);

$$3 (x + 4 y) (4 x - 7 y)$$

> expand((x+y)^2*(3*x-y)^3); 5 4 3 2 2 3 4 5 27 x + 27 x y - 18 x y - 10 x y + 7 x y - y

> simplify(cos(x)^5+sin(x)^4+2*cos(x)^2);

 $5 4 \cos(x) + 1 + \cos(x)$

Algebraic Operations

> normal((x^2-y^2)/(x-y)^3);

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Algebraic Operations

- > convert(sin(x),exp);

Naming and Evaluating Expressions

- Objects can be named
- Syntax is name:=expression
- Reduces typing, expressions can be referenced throughout your Maple session
- Expressions can be evaluated using subs or eval
- Numerical evaluation uses evalf

Evaluating Expressions

> exp1:=x^2; 2 exp1 := x> exp1:=x^3; 3 exp1 := x> exp:=x^2; Error, attempting to assign to `exp` which is protected > $f:=(x^3+2x^2)/(x^3+x^2-4x-4);$ 3 2 x + 2 x f := -----3 2 x + x - 4 x - 4

> subs(x=4,f);

Expressions

- expression1:=expression2; causes expression1 to be set to
 expression2 and evaluated
- expression1:='expression2'; causes expression1 to be set
 to expression2, overwriting any previous assignment
- An assignment can also be annulled using unassign('expression')
- restart clears Maple's internal memory of all previously defined symbols

Evaluating Expressions

x := 2
exp1 := 4
3
exp1 := x
8
exp1

Defining and Evaluating Functions

- Functions, expressions and graphics can be given any name that is not a built-in function or command
- An elementary function of a single variable y = f(x) is typically defined using the form

f:=x->expression in x

- **J** Then f(x) evaluates the function f at x
- subs can also be used to evaluate a function
- The function can be evaluated at some set of values using a list
- A list takes the form [a1,a2,...,an]

Defining and Evaluating Functions

> f:=x->x/(x^2+1);

Х f := x -> -----2 x + 1 > f(3); 3/10 > f(3+h); 3 + h 2 (3 + h) + 1

Defining and Evaluating Functions

> n1:=simplify((f(3+h)-f(3))/h); 8 + 3 h n1 := 2 10 (10 + 6 h + h)> subs(h=0,n1); -2 25 > map(f,[0,1,2,3]); [0, 1/2, 2/5, 3/10]> [seq(f(n),n=0..3)]; [0, 1/2, 2/5, 3/10]

Solving Equations

- solve(equation) can be used to solve an equation with a single unknown
- solve(equation,variable) can be used to make variable the subject of the equation
- These extend to systems of equations
- A system of equations is specified using a set
- A set takes the form {a1,a2,...,an}

Solving Equations

$$\{4 = 4, 2 = 2\}$$
 Maple - p. 42/5



Limits

Syntax is limit(expression,variable=value,direction)
> limit(sin(x)/x,x=0);

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Differentiation

- D and Diff are used to differentiate functions
- diff(f(x),x) computes and returns f'(x) = df/dx
- D(f)(x) computes and returns f'(x) = df/dx
- diff(f(x),x\$n) computes and returns $f^{(n)}(x) = d^n f/dx^n$
- (D@@n)(f)(x) computes and returns $f^{(n)}(x) = d^n f/dx^n$
- Maple knows all the usual differentiation rules: the product rule, the quotient rule, the chain rule

Differentiation

> diff(x^4+4/3*x^3-3*x^2,x);

> diff(x^4+4/3*x^3-3*x^2,x\$2);

- Syntax is int(expression, variable) for an indefinite integral or int(expression, variable, a...b) for a definite integral
- The abitrary integration constant is omitted when displaying the indefinite integral

```
> int(1/x^2*exp(1/x),x);
```

 $-\exp(1/x)$

If the integral is a known mathematical function with no closed form, the function will be given

Si(x)

Otherwise the integral will be returned unevaluated

> int(sin(x)/x,x);

- Maple doesn't know the normal distribution function, but does know the error function which is very closely related
 - > int(1/sqrt(2*Pi)*exp(-(1/2)*x^2),x=-infinity..a);

Procedures

Procedures

- The Maple equivalent of an R function is called a procedure
- Procedures can have local and global variables
- They can be defined recursively
- Maple has a full set of control structures: if . . else, for, while
- The type of a variable can be specified
- Syntax of control structures appears to vary from version to version
- Maple can produce Fortran, C and Matlab code, which can be stored in a file



- > fib:= proc(n::nonnegint)
- > if n<2 then
 - n
- > else
- > fib(n-1)+fib(n-2)
- > end if
- > end proc:
- >

>

> seq(fib(n),n=0..10);

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55

```
> polyeqn:=x^3-a*x-1;
                      3
             polyeqn := x - a x - 1
> sols:=solve(polyeqn,x);
       1/3
     %1 2 a
sols := -----,
        1/3
       6
            %1
                        / 1/3 \
      1/3
    %1 a 1/2 |%1 2 a |
    ----- - ----- + 1/2 I 3 |----- - -----|,
        1/3
                         6 1/3
     12
          %1
                               %1 /
```



3 1/2 %1 := 108 + 12 (-12 a + 81)



> with(CodeGeneration);

[C, Fortran, IntermediateCode, Java, LanguageDefinition,

Matlab, Names, Save, Translate, VisualBasic]

```
> C(sol1,optimize=true,declare=[a::float]);
t1 = a * a;
t5 = sqrt(-0.12e2 * t1 * a + 0.81e2);
t8 = pow(0.108e3 + 0.12e2 * t5, 0.1e1 / 0.3e1);
t13 = t8 / 0.6e1 + 0.2e1 / t8 * a;
```