

Expressions:

Expressions are used in several places in *DataExplorer* you will find that you can use them to create new Columns of data in the Document Inspector, enter values in any of the tools that look like `paste_2.tiff ↵`, and give expressions to Columns.

In any expression you use with the Active Document you may reference any of its Columns by their name or any of the Document's Variables that you added from the Document Inspector. Expressions are case sensitive, so be careful to type what you mean. If you reference a Column when giving an expression for one of the above tools it will use the first value of that Column to evaluate the Expression. If you reference a Column in the Fill Column panel the Expression will do its best to match the corresponding values in the Column.

Please read through the following definition of expressions.

Built-in-operators:

| Operator | Description |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| + | binary addition |
| - | binary subtraction, unary negation |
| / | binary division |
| * | binary multiplication |
| % | binary modulus |
| ^ | binary exponential |
| < | less than |
| > | greater than |
| <= | less than or equal |
| >= | greater than or equal |
| == | equal |
| != | not equal |
| ! | (unary) negation |
| | logical or |
| && | logical and |

Keep in mind that the operators <, >, <=, >=, ==, !=, !, ||, and &&, evaluate to either '1' or '0'. '1' means **True** and 0 means **False** in a conditional expression.

The conditional operator is ?: and can be used as follows:

`expression1 : expression2 ? expression3.`

If `expression1` is **True** then `expression2` is the resulting value otherwise `expression3` is the resulting value. You may use the conditional function if you do not like or understand this operator. The conditional function looks like:

`if(expression1, expression2, expression3, expression4 [optional])`

If `expression1` is **True** then `expression2` is the resulting value otherwise `expression3` is the resulting value. If `expression1` is undetermined (NaN, +Infinity, etc.) `expression4` is the resulting value.

Associativity and Order of Operations:

Operators are listed in order of precedence with operators of equal precedence on each line.

| Operator | Description |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| <code>^</code> | right to left |
| <code>- !</code> | right to left |
| <code>* / %</code> | left to right |
| <code>+ -</code> | left to right |

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|----|----|----|----|---------------|
| < | > | <= | >= | left to right |
| == | != | | | left to right |
| && | | | | left to right |
| | | | | left to right |
| ?: | | | | right to left |

Constants:

| Constant | Value |
|-----------|------------------------|
| E | 2.7182818284590452354 |
| LOG2E | 1.4426950408889634074 |
| LOG10E | 0.43429448190325182765 |
| LN2 | 0.69314718055994530942 |
| LN10 | 2.30258509299404568402 |
| PI | 3.14159265358979323846 |
| PI_2 | 1.57079632679489661923 |
| PI_4 | 0.78539816339744830962 |
| 1_PI | 0.31830988618379067154 |
| 2_PI | 0.63661977236758134308 |
| 2_SQRTPI | 1.12837916709551257390 |
| SQRT2 | 1.41421356237309504880 |
| SQRT1_2 | 0.70710678118654752440 |
| MAXDOUBLE | 1.7976931348623157e308 |

MAXINT

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Built-in-functions:

The following is a list of functions that *DataExplorer* understands. If you do not know what a particular function is you may want to reference the Unix manual page for the corresponding operator listed under **C -Function Called**. This can be done through the application *Digital Librarian* or through the command line using the Unix command *man*.

| Function | | No of Parameters | C-Function Called |
|----------|---|------------------|-------------------|
| abs | 1 | abs | |
| acos | 1 | acos | |
| acosh | 1 | acosh | |
| asin | 1 | asin | |
| asinh | 1 | asinh | |
| atan | 1 | atan | |
| atanh | 1 | atanh | |
| atan2 | 2 | atan2 | |
| cbirt | 1 | cbirt | |
| ceil | 1 | ceil | |
| copysign | 2 | copysign | |
| cos | 1 | cos | |
| cosh | 1 | cosh | |

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|--------|------|---|
| drem | 2 | drem |
| erf | 1 | erf |
| erfc | 1 | erfc |
| exp | 1 | exp |
| expm1 | 1 | expm1 |
| fabs | 1 | fabs |
| finite | 1 | finite |
| floor | 1 | floor |
| gamma | 2 | internal |
| gammaq | 2 | internal |
| fmod | 2 | fmod |
| hypot | 2 | hypot |
| if | 3, 4 | internal |
| jn | 2 | jn |
| j0 | 1 | j0 |
| j1 | 1 | j1 |
| ln | 1 | log |
| log10 | 1 | log10 |
| log1p | 1 | log1p |
| pow | 2 | pow |
| rand | 0 | random (is called then divided by MAXINT) |
| rint | 1 | rint |
| scalb | 2 | scalb |
| sin | 1 | sin |
| sinh | 1 | sinh |
| sqrt | 1 | sqrt |

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|------|---|------|
| tan | 1 | tan |
| tanh | 1 | tanh |
| yn | 2 | yn |
| y0 | 1 | y0 |
| y1 | 1 | y1 |