

# **rexxmathlib**

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# Chapter 1

## rexmathlib

### 1.1 main

RexxMathLib.Guide - First Aid about RexxMathLib © 1995 THOR- ↔

Software

Guide Version 1.01 / Library Version 38.01

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There is a bug in the mathieeedoubbas.library that comes with Workbench 3.1. Read

here

to find out how to fix it.

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The THOR-Software Licence

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## 1.3 overview

This library provides transcendental functions for the use with  $\leftrightarrow$  the ARexx - programming language. It is a complete new revision of

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Willy Langevelde's rexxmathlib, although no original code has been used. The new release has been completely rewritten in assembly language and is therefore not only faster (approx. 10 times), but provides also a higher precision of 15.9 digits, thanks to cleverer ASCII- to Float conversion routines.

As an extra, some more functions have been added, see the

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, and the checking for proper function arguments are now more strictly.

To use this library in AREXX, add the following line to your ARExx-script:

```
call addlib('rexxmathlib.library',0,-30,0)
```

The rexxmathlib.library will use the system math libraries, namely the mathieeedoubbas.library and the mathieeedoubtrans.library and will therefore work fine, regardless of a math-coprocessor.

There is a bug in the V38 mathieeedoubbas.library float-compare routine resulting in a wrong ordering of negative numbers of small absolute value.

However, I included the necessary stuff to fix this bug. Read [here](#) to find out how to do this.

## 1.4 How to fix the compare bug.

I advise you to fix the bug in the mathieeedoubbas library version 38.2, that comes with Workbench 3.1. For copyright reasons, I can not provide the patched library, but a patch file and a patch program. To apply the patch:

- 1) Copy the file LIBS:mathieeedoubbas.library to RAM:
- 2) Copy the file mathieeedoubbas.pch, which comes with this archive, to RAM:
- 3) Copy the program spatch, which is also included in this archive, to ram:
- 4) Change the directory to ram: with  
cd ram:
- 5) Apply the patch with  
spatch mathieeedoubbas.library
- 6) Copy back the file RAM:mathieeedoubbas.new to  
LIBS:mathieeedoubbas.library. It contains the fixed library.

If any problems arise, make shure you use the original (CBM) version of the library!

## 1.5 function\_index

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## 1.6 abs

### NAME

ABS (x) , FABS (x)

calculate absolute value of the argument

### ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

### BUGS

-ABS is never called by AREXX, cause it is provided as a AREXX build-in function. However, you SHOULD use FABS if you need the absolute value, cause it provides a higher precision than the build-in ABS

### SEE ALSO

## 1.7 acos

### NAME

ACOS (x)

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calculate the inverse cosine of the argument  
(in radians)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

$-1.0 \leq x \leq 1.0$

BUGS

SEE ALSO

COS

SIN

TAN

ASIN

ATAN

## 1.8 acosh

NAME

ACOSH(x)

calculate the inverse hyperbolic cosine of the argument

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

$x \geq 1.0$

BUGS

This function is implemented by the identity  
 $ACOSH(x) = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1})$   
and might cause an overflow if the argument of the  
logarithm overflows or  $x^2$  is out of range.  
A second result of this implementation is a non-  
guaranteed maximum precision.

SEE ALSO

COSH

SINH

TANH

ASINH

ATANH

## 1.9 asin

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NAME

ASIN(x)

calculate the inverse sine of the argument  
(in radians)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

-1.0 <= x <= 1.0

BUGS

SEE ALSO

COS

SIN

TAN

ACOS

ATAN

## 1.10 asinh

NAME

ASINH(x)

calculate the inverse hyperbolic sine of the argument

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

BUGS

This function is implemented by the identity  
 $ASINH(x) = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$   
and might cause an overflow if the argument of the  
logarithm overflows or  $x^2$  is out of range.  
A second result of this implementation is a non-  
garantueed maximum precision.

SEE ALSO

COSH

SINH

TANH

ACOSH

ATANH

## 1.11 atan

NAME

ATAN(x)

calculate the inverse tangent of the argument  
(in radians)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

BUGS

As a result of finite precision, the inverse tangent of  
PI/2 is NOT infinity.

SEE ALSO

COS

SIN

TAN

ACOS

ASIN

## 1.12 atan2

NAME

ATAN2(y, x), POL(x, y)

calculate the angle between the point (x|y) and the origin  
(in radians)

NOTE THE DIFFERENT ARGUMENT ORDERING OF ATAN2 AND POL !

This function is also known as the argument-function  
of the complex number  $z=x+iy$

For \*many\* values of x and y is this argument identical  
to ATAN(x/y), but TRIES to provide a higher precision.

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

$x \neq 0$  |  $y \neq 0$

x and y must not be zero at the same time, however  $x=0$   
OR  $y=0$  is allowed.

BUGS

SEE ALSO

## 1.13 atanh

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## NAME

ATANH(x)

calculate the inverse hyperbolic tangent of the argument

## ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

 $-1.0 < x < 1.0$ 

## BUGS

This function is implemented by the identity  
 $ASINH(x) = \ln((1+x)/(1-x))/2$   
and might cause an overflow if the argument of the  
logarithm overflows.  
A second result of this implementation is a non-  
garantueed maximum precision.

## SEE ALSO

COSH

SINH

TANH

ACOSH

ASINH

## 1.14 ceil

## NAME

CEIL(x)

calculate the lowest integer higher than x

## ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

## BUGS

Not a bug, but you should note that this function  
results for negative values of x in a number of  
lower absolute value.  
So

CEIL(2.5)=3

but

CEIL(-2.5)=-2

However, this is the CORRECT mathematical implementation  
of CEIL !

## SEE ALSO

FLOOR  
FLOOR  
FRACT  
NINT

## 1.15 cos

NAME  
COS(x)

calculate the cosine of the argument  
(in radiants)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS  
none

BUGS  
As a result of finite precision, the cosine of x  
of high absolute value is more or less random.

SEE ALSO

SIN  
TAN  
ACOS  
ASIN  
ATAN

## 1.16 cosec

NAME  
COSEC(x), CSC(x)

calculate the cosecans of the argument  
(in radiants)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS  
 $x \neq 0$

BUGS  
As a result of finite precision, the cosecans of  
integer multiples of PI is not infinity, also for  
x of high absolute value the result is more or  
less random.

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SEE ALSO

SEC

COT

COTAN

## 1.17 cosh

NAME

COSH(x)

calculate the hyperbolic cosine of the argument

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

-700 < x < 700 (approx.)

BUGS

SEE ALSO

SINH

TANH

ACOSH

ASINH

ATANH

## 1.18 cot

NAME

COT(x), COTAN(x)

calculate the hyperbolic cotangent of the argument  
(in radians)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

x <> 0

BUGS

As a result of finite precision, the cotangent of PI/2  
is not zero.

SEE ALSO

TAN

SEC

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COSEC  
CSC

## 1.19 e

NAME  
E(x)

return the value of E, the base of the natural logarithm. The argument is not used.

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS  
none

BUGS  
The result has a precision of 17 digits, although rexxmathlib has only a precision 15.9 digits (and AREXX of 14 digits)

SEE ALSO

PI

## 1.20 epsm

NAME  
EPSM(x)

return the highest floating point number lower than and distinguishable from x

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS  
none

BUGS  
The result is only useful as input for mathrexxlib, cause AREXX itself has a limited precision of 14 digits and so  $EPSM(x)=x$  for AREXX.

SEE ALSO

EPSP

## 1.21 epsp

NAME  
EPSP(x)

return the lowest floating point number higher than and

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distinguishable from x

#### ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

#### BUGS

The result is only useful as input for mathrexxlib, cause AREXX itself has a limited precision of 14 digits and so  $EPSP(x)=x$  for AREXX.

#### SEE ALSO

EPSM

## 1.22 exp

#### NAME

EXP(x)

calculate the exponential function

#### ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

$x < 700$  (approx.)

#### BUGS

#### SEE ALSO

E

LOG

LN

## 1.23 fact

#### NAME

FACT(x)

calculate the factorial function of x

#### ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

$x \geq 0$  &  $x \leq 87$  & x integer

#### BUGS

For x lower or equal than 12, the result is calculated in integers, for higher x floating point numbers are used, so the result might be a non-integer.

This call should really evaluate the Gamma-function for non-integer x, but this is a non-trivial task !

#### SEE ALSO

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## 1.24 floor

NAME  
FLOOR(x), INT(x)

calculate the highest integer lower than x

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS  
none

### BUGS

Not a bug, but you should note that this function results for negative values of x in a number of higher absolute value.

So

INT(2.5)=2

but

INT(-2.5)=-3

However, this is the CORRECT mathematical implementation of INT !

### SEE ALSO

CEIL

FRACT

NINT

## 1.25 fract

NAME  
FRACT(x)

calculate the fractional part of x

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS  
none

### BUGS

Not a bug, but you should note that this function results for negative values of x also in a positive number, cause it is implemented as  $x - \text{FLOOR}(x)$ .

So

FLOOR(2.4)=0.4

but

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`INT(-2.4)=0.6`

However, this is the CORRECT mathematical implementation of FRACT !

SEE ALSO

CEIL

FRACT

NINT

## 1.26 log

NAME

`LN(x), LOG(x)`

calculate the natural logarithm of x

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

`x>0`

BUGS

SEE ALSO

E

EXP

LOG10

## 1.27 log10

NAME

`LOG10(x)`

calculate the decadic logarithm of x

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

`x>0`

BUGS

SEE ALSO

LOG

LN

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## 1.28 nint

NAME

NINT(x)

calculate the nearest integer to x

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

BUGS

Not a bug, but you should note that this function results for negative values of x with a fractional part of 0.5 in a different integer than for positive x. So

NINT(2.5)=3

but

NINT(-2.5)=-2

However, this is the CORRECT mathematical implementation of NINT, but differs from the behavior of the old version of rexxmathlib.

SEE ALSO

FLOOR

INT

CEIL

FRACT

## 1.29 pi

NAME

PI(x)

return the value of PI. The argument is not used.

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

BUGS

The result has a precision of 17 digits, although rexxmathlib has only a precision 15.9 digits (and AREXX of 14 digits)

SEE ALSO

E

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## 1.30 pow

NAME

POW(x,y), POWER(x,y), XTOY(x,y)

return x to the power of y

### ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

messy...

For non-integer y x must be positive or zero.

For integer y x can be both positive or negative, however x and y must not be both zero.

A second requirement is that both x and y must not be "to large".

### BUGS

0 to the power of 0 is not allowed, although the old version of rexxmathlib can handle this. However,  $0^0$  is mathematically not well defined and can be both, zero or one.

### SEE ALSO

ROOT

## 1.31 root

NAME

ROOT(x,y)

return the yth root of x

### ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

messy...

For non-integer y x must be positive or zero.

For integer and odd y x can be both positive or negative, y must be non-zero.

A second requirement is that x must not be "to large" and y not "to small".

### BUGS

For y being 1 x is returned immediatly and for y being 2 the square-root function is used. All other arguments are passed to POW, except for the extra sign handling of odd roots. This is a real mess...

### SEE ALSO

POW

POWER

XTOY

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## 1.32 sec

NAME

SEC(x)

calculate the secans of the argument  
(in radiants)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

BUGS

As a result of finite precision, the secans of integer odd multiples of  $\text{PI}/2$  is not infinity, also for  $x$  of high absolute value the result is more or less random.

SEE ALSO

COSEC

CSC

COT

COTAN

## 1.33 sin

NAME

SIN(x)

calculate the sine of the argument  
(in radiants)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

none

BUGS

As a result of finite precision, the sine of  $x$  of high absolute value is more or less random.

SEE ALSO

COS

TAN

ACOS

ASIN

ATAN

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## 1.34 sinh

NAME

SINH(x)

calculate the hyperbolic sine of the argument

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

-700 < x < 700 (approx.)

BUGS

SEE ALSO

COSH

TANH

ACOSH

ASINH

ATANH

## 1.35 sqr

NAME

SQR(x), SQRT(x)

calculate the square root of x

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS

x >= 0

BUGS

SEE ALSO

ROOT

POW

POWER

XTOY

## 1.36 tan

NAME

TAN(x)

calculate the tangent of the argument

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(in radians)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS  
none

BUGS

As a result of finite precision, the tangent of  $\text{PI}/2$  is not infinity, also for  $x$  of high absolute value is more or less random.

SEE ALSO

COS

SIN

ACOS

ASIN

ATAN

## 1.37 tanh

NAME

TANH( $x$ )

calculate the hyperbolic tangent of the argument  
(in radians)

ARGUMENT REQUIREMENTS  
none

BUGS

SEE ALSO

COSH

SINH

ACOSH

ASINH

ATANH