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# Chapter 1

## Ev

### 1.1 Ev - Math tool for its users

Ev v1.3

A replacement for Eval, distributed with Amiga OS.

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- It's me!

COMMERCIAL BREAK  
- Other software

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## 1.2 Why does this program exist?

What is this?

I have for some time been very unsatisfied with the functions of the tool eval, included in Amiga OS. I was hoping for an update in Amiga OS 3.5 but nothing has been done to this tool.

Therefore I have written my own tool for mathematical evaluations.

The worst things about the old eval:

- \* It can't count!  $1+2*3$  should equal 7 not 9!! (no priorities?)
- \* No support for binary numbers
- \* No support for decimal numbers
- \* Too few functions
- \* Not flexible enough to be userfriendly
- \* No bugfixes or upgrades are made from the developer

Ev is improved in these areas and some other:

- \* The prioritys are correct!  $1+2*3 = 7$
  - \* Support for binary numbers added in input and output
  - \* The constants pi and e added
  - \* Support for decimal numbers added, both 0.1 and .1 are accepted
  - \* Correct rounding of decimals
  
  - \* New flexibility added with support for:
    - \* the words and (&), or (|), not (~)
    - \* both <<, >> and lsh, rsh (and l, r) for left/right shift
    - \* d## and @d for decimal input and output
    - \* several new ESC-codes in output (tab, bell, formfeed etc.)
    - \* number of digits in octal and hexadecimal output is optional
    - \* multiplication without '\*'-token in obvious places
  - ~ \* reading expressions from a file or stdin
  - ~ \* multiple expression calculation
  - \* variables
  
  - \* Several new functions:
    - \* absolute value (abs)
    - \* square root (sqrt)
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- \* faculty (!)
- \* powered numbers (^)
- \* trigonometric functions (sin, cos, tan, asin, acon, atan, sinh, cosh, tanh)
- \* random number (rnd)
- \* logarithmic functions (ln, log, log2, logx)

+ I will keep upgrading it if there is a need for that.

Downside of the new version:

- \* Bigger executable. I've used the tools bison and flex to create the parser and these tools do not create small files.
- \* Not 100% compatible with Eval, e does not mean eqv any more since the number  $e = 2.71828182845904$ .  
From v1.2 the %n, %o and %x has changed to @n, @o and @x to make Ev perform better in scripts, this means more compability to Eval is lost. On the other hand it was Amiga Inc. who told me to make the changes so I guess it's alright.
- \* The argument management seems to be different in some ways which seems to have a negative effect on the behaviour of Ev in scripts. For example the test script in the manual for OS 3.5 with Eval used as a counter will not work with Ev. Other scripts I have seen works fine though.

I hope thats it.

### 1.3 What can it do?

Functions suported by Ev

All input values are interpreted as decimal numbers by default. If you need to specify other forms of input see

Using different bases  
Arithmetic operations

The four rules of arithmetics, +, -, \* and / are of course supported, and I don't see any point in explaining them any futher.

NOTE that the times sign, '\*', can be omitted in the usual cases,  $4\sin(\#) = 4*\sin(\#)$ ,  $2\pi = 2*\pi$ ,  $5(4+2) = 5*(4+2)$  etc.

mod      Modulo. Returns remainder from division.  
          Can also be written as: % or m

^          Power function.    Eg:  $4^2 = 4*4 = 16$   
                                   $4^3 = 4*4*4 = 64$

!          Faculty.  $5! = 1*2*3*4*5 = 120$   
           $n! = 1*2*3*4*...*(n-1)*n$

Sqrt ()    The square root. Sqrt(16) = 4 Because  $4*4 = 16$   
                                  Sqrt(25) = 5 ( $5*5 = 25$ )

Abs ()    Absolute value. Abs(-3) = 3

Abs(3) = 3 ie Makes numbers positive.

#### Bitwise operations

and Can also be written as: &

or Can also be written as: |

xor Can also be written as: ^

not Can also be written as: ~

lsh Left shift (of bits). Can also be written as: << or <

rsh Right shift (of bits). Can also be written as: >> or >

eqv Bitwise equivalence. (XNOR)

#### Trigonometric functions

The trigonometric functions are used with the aid of the unit circle.

The angle is measured in radians. One rotation of  $360^\circ$  is  $2\pi$  radians  $\leftrightarrow$

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sin() Sine

cos() Cosine

tan() Tangent

asin() Arcsine, the inverse of sine.

acos() Arccosine, the inverse of cosine.

atan() Arctangent, the inverse of tangent.

#### Hyperbolic functions

Any function defined on the real line can be expressed (in an unique way) as the sum of an even function and an odd function. The hyperbolic functions cosh(x) and sinh(x) are respectively the even and odd functions whose sum is the exponential function  $e^x$ .

sinh() Hyperbolic sine

cosh() Hyperbolic cosine

tanh() Hyperbolic tangent

#### Logarithmic functions

log() The ten-logarithm function.  $\log(x)=n \iff 10^n=x$

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`ln()` The natural logarithm.  $\ln(x)=n \iff e^n=x$

`log2()` The two-logarithm function.  $\log_2(x)=n \iff 2^n=x$

`logx()` The any-logarithm function.  $\log_x(x,b)=n \iff b^n=x$

Misc constants and other stuff

`pi` 3.141592653589793 NOTE: pi and e only have an accuracy of fifteen decimals.

`e` 2.718281828459045

`rnd` A random number between 0 and 1.

Parenthesis, '(' and ')', can be included in the expressions.

## 1.4 Ten is boring!

Using different bases

The most common base in modern mathematics is ten, (probably because the number of fingers on the average human). It is however possible to use any number as a base.

Ev supports the most common bases two, eight, ten and sixteen, ten is used by default. To use some of the other bases you use a prefix.

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Binary

The base two is used much in lowlevel computing and digital electronics. These numbers are called binary numbers and are typed as follows:

|                        |                        |                              |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| <code>b0000</code> = 0 | <code>b0100</code> = 4 | <code>b10011010</code> = 154 |
| <code>b0001</code> = 1 | <code>b0101</code> = 5 | <code>b00010110</code> = 22  |
| <code>b0010</code> = 2 | <code>b0110</code> = 6 | <code>b00010101</code> = 21  |
| <code>b0011</code> = 3 | <code>b0111</code> = 7 | <code>b00101010</code> = 42  |

The 'b' is used to tell Ev that it is a binary number. There is no need to write the zeros before the number, but the most common way to write binary numbers are in groups of four or eight digits.

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Octal

The base eight is allso pretty common in electronics, and the numbers are called octal numbers. Ev expects you to write octal numbers with the prefix 'o', '0' or '#':



```
o5 = 5          027 = 23          #31 = 25
o10 = 8         030 = 24          #52 = 42
```

As you might have noticed there are no digits higher than 7. Octal numbers can not contain the digits eight or nine. An attempt to write o9 will result in a parse error.

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## Decimal

The decimal numbers are used by default, but the prefix 'd' can be used if you think it looks nice.

The decimal numbers can contain decimals, with a preceding number or without.

```
Eg: 47.11
     0.42
     .4711
```

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## Hexadecimal

The most used base in the computer world is sixteen. The numbers are called hexadecimal numbers or just hex for short. If you've looked in to the memory of your computer you have most likely seen hexadecimal numbers before.

Ev handles several different prefixes for hex: \$, 0x and #x

```
$7 = 7          0xf = 15
$a = 10         0x10 = 16
$b = 11         #x11 = 17
$c = 12         #x2a = 42
```

As you can see there are some letters involved here. Allowed letters are: a, b, c, d, e, f. Since there are only ten figures, one have to use some letters to be able to express the hexadecimal numbers.

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## Characters

Ev can also read characters. It will use the ASCII values to calculate with. The prefix is: '

This means that Ev can be used to find the ASCII value for different characters:

```
Ev 'A  -> 65
Ev 'a  -> 97
```

Unfortunately the argument handling won't let you give a SPACE char as input, but the ASCII value for SPACE is 32 so now you won't have to.

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All prefixes must be typed BEFORE their number, as showed in the examles above. It is allowed to mix different bases in the same expression, the answer will be decimal anyway. If you want to get the answer in binary, octal or hexadecimal form you can use the appropriate LFORMAT string

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## 1.5 How do I use this thing?

Usage

TEMPLATE

V1=VALUE1, OP, V2=VALUE2/M, FROM/K, TO/K, A=APPEND/S, LF=LFORMAT/K, S=SCRIPT/S, RF= ↵  
 READFILES/S

Just type the expression you want to evaluate, it's as simple as that!

Ev 1+2\*3

Will give you the answer: 7

Ev (2(3+5)^2)/2+4  
 -> 68

You can use parenthesis with all functions, but they are only required in some special cases.

For instance if you want to calculate  $2+3*4$  it will give the answer 14. This might be what you wanted (if you know how to express yourself), but if you want the answer 20, you have to use parenthesis around  $2+3$ .

Eg:  $(2+3)*4$  or  $4(2+3)$

Read more about  
                   functions  
                   for detailed information  
 about each function supported.

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VALUE1

The VALUE1 keyword will normally hold the entire expression to evaluate. It consumes the input from the start to the first space character.

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## OP

Can be used to set the operator in the expression.  
This operator will be concatenated onto the end of the VALUE1 expression and will result in an parse error if the VALUE2 field is left empty.

## VALUE2

The rest of the expression. The contents of this keyword will be concatenated to the end of the expression built up from VALUE1 and OP.

## FROM

Ev can be used to read input from a file or stdin and filter out expressions to evaluate. The expressions should be encapsulated between @E and @e.  
@E tells Ev to start read the expression and @e to end.  
When FROM is defined all input in VALUE1, OP and VALUE2 will be ignored.  
Allso the keywords READFILES and SCRIPT is ignored.

For more help on this issue see  
Advanced Usage

## TO

To redirect the output to a file, use the keyword TO <file>

Eg:~Ev 42 TO Work:File

Ev does not warn if the filename given already exists!  
So in theory it is possible to overwrite important files with the TO keyword.

## APPEND

APPEND tells Ev to add the output to the end of the file given with TO rather than replacing an existing file.

## LFORMAT

All answers is by default in decimal form. It is however possible to use a format string to design the output.

Eg: Ev 6\*7 LFORMAT="The answer is @d.\*n"

Will give the result: The answer is 42.

The @d will insert the decimal value in the string. The available output formats for this string are:

- @b Binary format
- @o Octal format
- @d or @n Decimal format
- @h or @x Hexadecimal format
- @c Display the character with corresponding ASCII value

@@ Will give the '@'-character in case there are collisions with codes given.

Binary, octal and hexadecimal values may have an optional value to determine the least number of digits to display. If the number to display does not fit into the selected number of digits more digits will be added to fit the number. If a binary number is greater than 16 bits a space will be added to separate each group of eight bits.

Eg: Ev 42 LFORMAT="@b8 @o @d @x4 @c" -> 00101010 52 42 002a \*

Ev 500 LFORMAT="@b4" -> 111110100

Ev 100000 LFORMAT="@b" -> 1 10000110 10100000

Decimal values may have a value to determine the number of decimals to display, and a value to fix the total width of the number (including decimals). Up to fourteen decimals can be displayed.

The notation is @d<width>.<decimals> either can be omitted.

Eg: Ev 100.09 LFORMAT="@d.1" -> 100.1

Ev 100.99 LFORMAT="@d3.1" -> 101.0

Ev 99.9 LFORMAT="@d2.0" -> 100

Decimal numbers is padded with the space-character, other bases with '0'.

NOTE: It is only possible to fix a minimum width of a number. If the number is greater (or has more decimals) the limit will be ignored.

Ev can read several different ESC-codes in the LFORMAT string which will give the possibilities to create any form of output.

- \*a Alert
- \*b Backspace
- \*f Formfeed
- \*n Newline
- \*r Carriage return
- \*t Horizontal tab

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\*v Vertical tab

\*\*~The '\*'-character

NOTE: When using a LFORMAT string no newline character will be added to the string. You will have to add this yourself with \*n if you want it.

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## SCRIPT

The script mode of Ev is slightly different from the rest of the program. The functionality is cut down to a minimum and only integer input is allowed.

All text given to Ev while in script mode will be fed directly to the chosen output. Only text within '@' will be processed and only numeric expressions will be evaluated. The only characters that is interpreted as numeric are:

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 + - \* / ^ ( )

All other characters will be treated as text, including space.

If combined with READFILES the filenames will be treated as files, not text.

Eg: Ev 1+2ab@3+4cd@ -> 1+2ab7cd

See

Script usage  
for more details.

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## READFILES

This keyword will force Ev to check whether each argument is a filename or not. If a filename is given, the contents of that file will be included in the expression. If any numeric expression given to Ev collides with an existing filename, the file will be included instead of the numeric expression.

Eg: Ev 42 + ENV:number READFILES

The contents of the file ENV:number will be inserted instead of the filename. If there is a file named '42', or '+', that file will be inserted as well.

See

Script usage  
for more details.

NOTE: The entire file will be included and fed to the parser. If the file contains anything else than one single, correct expression a parse error will occur.

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## 1.6 Script usage

How to use Ev in scripts

When Ev is given the keyword SCRIPT it will change form. The input can now only contain simple expressions, everything else will be treated as text. Text is directly fed to the chosen output.

The point in this is to make Ev interact with the batch scripts in a polite and effective manner.

Input will be scanned for @'s and will only evaluate expressions in between these @'s.

Only the basic arithmetics are supported. +, -, \*, / and ^  
The ( ) can be used as usual, but that's it. No functions are available, no decimal numbers (the . is treated as text) and only base ten input.

LFORMAT can still be used to control the output though. However, the output will always end with a newline.

Eg: This example will show one of the many possibilities with SCRIPT mode.

Here the command LIST is used to make a batch script for renaming files:

```
LIST www1??.gif LFORMAT="Ev Rename %n @%m+900@.gif TO b2 APPEND SCRIPT" >batch
```

There will now be a file named 'batch' containing lines like these:

...

```
Ev Rename www144.gif @www144+900@.gif TO b2 APPEND SCRIPT
Ev Rename www145.gif @www145+900@.gif TO b2 APPEND SCRIPT
Ev Rename www146.gif @www146+900@.gif TO b2 APPEND SCRIPT
```

...

After this file has been executed there will be a new file called 'b2' containing lines like these:

...

```
Rename www144.pic www1044.pic
Rename www145.pic www1045.pic
Rename www146.pic www1046.pic
```

...

Witch is a simple way of renaming a couple of hundred files at the same time.

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Another example:

```
Setenv A 0
```

```
List a#? LFORMAT="Ev ENV:A + 1 TO ENV:A READFILES*nRename %n SF_$A.%e" >batch
```

Result in 'batch':

...

```
Ev ENV:A + 1 TO ENV:A READFILES
Rename a1 SF_$A.gif
Ev ENV:A + 1 TO ENV:A READFILES
Rename all SF_$A.gif
```

...

New filenames:

```
SF_1.gif
SF_2.gif
SF_3.gif
SF_4.gif
...
```

NOTE: The variable A MUST be initiated with SETENV or a call to Ev like  
Ev 0 TO ENV:A

NOTE 2: Ev can be used to other things than renaming files...

## 1.7 Advanced usage

How to get more out of Ev

Multiple expression evaluation

When the keyword FROM is defined to a file or 'stdin' Ev will search the input for a '@E' sequence before going into action. The input stream will then be processed until the sequence '@e' is reached (or EOF). The entire sequence @E ... @e will then be replaced with the result of the evaluation and Ev will start scanning for @E again.

While reading the input stream the output format (LFORMAT) can be changed with the command '@>LFORMAT string'. The format of the results inserted in the out stream will default to decimal notation. To change the format for the entire stream (or just the beginning of it) the LFORMAT keyword can be used as normal.

If the output format is changed in the input stream with the @> command, the output format will stay that way until the next @>.

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NOTE: The syntax of the string after @> is exactly the same as in the LFORMAT string. See  
Usage  
for mor info.

A short example illustrates this better than words:

A text file 'asc.txt' contains the folowing data:

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ASCII Table:

| Char | Dec        | Hex           | Bin          |
|------|------------|---------------|--------------|
| A    | @E'A@>@d@e | \$@E'A@>@h2@e | @@E'A@>@b8@e |
| B    | @E'B@>@d@e | \$@E'B@>@h2@e | @@E'B@>@b8@e |
| C    | @E'C@>@d@e | \$@E'C@>@h2@e | @@E'C@>@b8@e |
| D    | @E'D@>@d@e | \$@E'D@>@h2@e | @@E'D@>@b8@e |
| E    | @E'E@>@d@e | \$@E'E@>@h2@e | @@E'E@>@b8@e |
| F    | @E'F@>@d@e | \$@E'F@>@h2@e | @@E'F@>@b8@e |
| G    | @E'G@>@d@e | \$@E'G@>@h2@e | @@E'G@>@b8@e |
| H    | @E'H@>@d@e | \$@E'H@>@h2@e | @@E'H@>@b8@e |

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A call to Ev will now give the output:

```
> Ev FROM "asc.txt"
```

ASCII Table:

| Char | Dec | Hex  | Bin       |
|------|-----|------|-----------|
| A    | 65  | \$41 | %01000001 |
| B    | 66  | \$42 | %01000010 |
| C    | 67  | \$43 | %01000011 |
| D    | 68  | \$44 | %01000100 |
| E    | 69  | \$45 | %01000101 |
| F    | 70  | \$46 | %01000110 |
| G    | 71  | \$47 | %01000111 |
| H    | 72  | \$48 | %01001000 |

The call 'Ev FROM stdin < asc.txt' will give the exact same result.

To redirect the output to a file the keyword TO can be used as normal.

NOTE: A call to Ev with a file containing no @E will simply copy the file to the output stream.

Using variables

When using multiple expression evaluation it might be useful to remember certain values from one expression to another. Ev has this opportunity.

The syntax is: name:value}

The name can be any string (max 100 characters) and is case sensitive.

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The value is any expression that Ev can evaluate and can include other variables or even a recursive call to the same one. All variables are initialized to 0 if no other value is given.

To change the value of a variable simply give it an expression in the value field. If the field is left empty, (real empty that is, not even a space is allowed), the current value will be returned.

Eg: will initialize the variable horse to 5 and return it.

```
will return the value of horse (5).
```

```
+1} will increase the value of horse and return the
      result (6).
```

A variable is interpreted as an expression and must be treated that way. For instance the variable horse will after the example above be exactly the same as (6), with parenthesis.

All variable usage will result in output, even initializations. To prevent this the command @q can be used in the expression string.

Eg: @E @q @e

```
This will, if fed as a stream to Ev, initialize the variable horse
to 7 quietly. No output will be fed to the outstream from this expression.
```

One @q command is enough per expression, it will effect the entire @E ... @e sequence. @q can not be placed within the variable value.

@q will ofcourse work fine even in expressions without variables, but it would be pretty pointless. The expression would be evaluated and the result thrown away. So, the @q is mainly for variable manipulation under the surface.

For a real hairy example  
[click here](#)

## 1.8 Variable example

Example of inputfile

```
_file: asc.txt_____
```

ASCII Table:

Char Dec Hex

```
@E@>@c@e@E@>@d7@e@E@> $@h2@e
@E+1}@>@c@e@E@>@d7@e@E@> $@h2@e
@E+1}@>@c@e@E@>@d7@e@E@> $@h2@e
@E+1}@>@c@e@E@>@d7@e@E@> $@h2@e
```

```
> Ev FROM asc.txt
```

ASCII Table:

| Char | Dec | Hex  |
|------|-----|------|
| A    | 65  | \$41 |
| B    | 66  | \$42 |
| C    | 67  | \$43 |
| D    | 68  | \$44 |

Not very exciting but it is an example. More powerful things can be done using scripts of some kind.

## 1.9 Ev commands

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```
!      Expression operator
      Faculty
      ##      Expression value
      Octal value
      #x#     Expression value
      Hexadecimal value
      $#     Expression value
      Hexadecimal value
      %      Expression operator
      Modulo
      &      Expression operator
      and
      '#     Expression value
      ASCII value
      *      Expression operator
      Times
      **     Outstream command
      '*' character
      *a     Outstream command
      Alert
      *b     Outstream command
      Backspace
      *f     Outstream command
      Formfeed
      *n     Outstream command
      Newline
      *r     Outstream command
      Carriage return
      *t     Outstream command
      Horizontal tab
      *v     Outstream command
```

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|                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Vertical tab            |                     |
| +                       | Expression operator |
| Plus                    |                     |
| -                       | Expression operator |
| Minus                   |                     |
| /                       | Expression operator |
| Division                |                     |
| <<                      | Expression operator |
| Left shift              |                     |
| >>                      | Expression operator |
| Right shift             |                     |
| ^                       | Expression operator |
| Power                   |                     |
|                         | Expression operator |
| or                      |                     |
| ~                       | Expression operator |
| not                     |                     |
| 0#                      | Expression value    |
| Octal value             |                     |
| 0x#                     | Expression value    |
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| Quiet                   |                     |
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| Variable                |                     |
| abs()                   | Expression function |
| Absolute value          |                     |
| acos()                  | Expression function |
| Arccosine               |                     |
| and                     | Expression operator |
| and                     |                     |
| APPEND                  | Commandline keyword |
| Append on existing file |                     |
| asin()                  | Expression function |
| Arcsine                 |                     |

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atan() Expression function  
Arctangent

b# Expression value  
Binary value

cos() Expression function  
Cosine

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e Expression constant  
2.718281828459045

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Modulo

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Octal value

OP Commandline keyword  
Operator in expression

or Expression operator  
or

pi Expression constant  
3.141592653589793

r Expression operator  
Right shift

READFILES Commandline keyword  
Treat filenames as files

rnd Expression value  
Random value

rsh Expression operator  
Right shift

SCRIPT Commandline keyword  
Script mode

sin() Expression function  
Sine

sinh() Expression function

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Hyperbolic sine  
sqrt() Expression function  
Square root  
tan() Expression function  
Tangent  
tanh() Expression function  
Hyperbolic tangent  
TO Commandline keyword  
Output stream  
VALUE1 Commandline keyword  
First expression value  
VALUE2 Commandline keyword  
Rest of expression  
x Expression operator  
xor  
xor Expression operator  
xor

## 1.10 Any bugs?

Bug reports

Well, if I knew about the bugs I would fix them, not release the program.  
I am not Micro\$oft.

But I'm only human and the code is big so the program probably contains  
several strange lifeforms...

...Please let me know!

Expressions resulting in huge output strings will eventually start writing  
in unallocated memory. This will only happen if a single number in the  
expression is larger than 1000 digits or if the LFORMAT string is used in  
a destructive maner. I.e. LFORMAT="@b9999999999" will do bad things.  
I do not consider this a bug since the allocated memory has to have a fix  
size. No matter how big chunk of memory I allocate, it will always be  
possible to outrange it. The output string can at the moment be 4000 bytes  
long. For multiple expression evaluation this means 4000 bytes per  
expression. (Text between expressions do not occupy any memory.)  
I believe that's enough for normal usage, if you need a bigger output  
string feel free to send me an eMail and I will increase the buffer.

How to contact me.

Disclaimer

If this program gets strange input (non mathematical things), it might  
behave strange, (who wouldn't). But strange input will probably give  
parse error, and it is most unlikely that it crashes your computer.  
Please try!

If you do manage to destroy anything with this software I will not

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feel responsible in any way.

It is possible to overwrite important files with the TO keyword. It does not warn if the filename given already exists!

## 1.11 Hey! I wrote this!

This program was written by:

Jesper Wilhelmsson  
jive@algonet.se

Please let me know what you think about it!

On my web page you can find tons of source codes in several different programming languages. Test programs, Games, compilers and an operating system among other things.

There are also a lot of help texts for programmers.  
All in Swedish though...

<http://welcome.to/syntaxerror>

## 1.12 Copy, copy, copy!!!

This program is FreeWare!

This means that you can spread it freely in what forms you may please.

The one restriction is that no one is allowed to make any money out of it!  
It is strictly forbidden to pay any money to anyone in order to get a copy.  
(Including the author, I don't want any money - I just want eMail!)

## 1.13 How has this evolved?

### History

v1.0 (2000.01.13)  
First public release.

v1.01 (2000.01.18)  
Fixed bug in argument parser. Accidentally used <= instead of <, oops.  
Not a public release.

v1.1 (2000.01.25)

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Several new functions: `asin()`, `acos()`, `atan()`, `sinh()`, `cosh()`, `tanh()`,  
`ln()`, `log()`

Increased the precision of pi and e to fifteen decimals.

Output can now show up to fourteen decimals.

Added ESC-codes: `*a`, `*b`, `*f`, `*r`, `*v` (see  
Usage  
for info).

Fixed problem with % and \* characters.

New Power function will give an exact answer up to  $10^{22}$ . C's standard  
`pow()` only gives an exact answer up to  $10^9$ .

Ev can now read input from a file or stdin with multiple expression  
evaluation, (see

Advanced usage  
for info).

Variables added.

Now using standard Amiga argument parser, hopefully this will give  
better compliance with Eval.

Various optimizations made executable smaller and faster!

v1.2 (2000.02.04)

Added keywords `APPEND`, `READFILES` and `SCRIPT`.

Replaced all %~with @ in commands and codes. The use of % created some  
unpleasant behaviour in script mode due to inconsequence in LFORMAT  
strings between different applications. This means that the codes for  
different bases is no longer compliant with Eval.

v1.3 (2000.04.10)

Locale support, English is built in and Swedish locale file is included.

New functions: `log2()`, `logx()` (sorry, I forgot about them..)

Various optimizations.

## 1.14 Other great products

(: Other stuff made by me :)

W R I G G L E v1.5

It is almost the standard worm-game except for  
the controls. You control the worm with the  
mouse, which can be tricky at first, but after  
a few rounds you'll see the advantages with a  
'non square worm'. Move freely around the  
board and pick up boxes. There is, ofcourse,  
no danger involved in crossing your own tail.  
Have you ever seen a worm that dies just  
because he stumbles on his own tail?

Can be found at Aminet: `game/misc/Wriggle.lha`

Char Counter

Finds the n:th character in a file and display

it together with its surroundings. Nice when a compiler or something tells you there is an error at character 4711 in a file.

Can be found at my homepage, including source:  
<http://welcome.to/syntaxerror>

S n o O o w ! v1.1

Configurable Snoowy window on your Worbench  
You can change the size and position of the window, the number of snowflakes and the wind.

Can be found at Aminet: [game/gag/SnoOow.lha](#)  
Source code is to be found at my homepage.

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