## The **xfp** package Floating Point Unit

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This package provides a LATEX  $2_{\mathcal{E}}$  document-level interface to the LATEX3 floating point unit (part of expl3). It also provides a parallel integer expression interface for convenience.

## \fpeval ⋆

The expandable command \fpeval takes as its argument a floating point expression and produces a result using the normal rules of mathematics. As this command is expandable it can be used where TEX requires a number and for example within a low-level \edge operation to give a purely numerical result.

Briefly, the floating point expressions may comprise:

- Basic arithmetic: addition x + y, subtraction x y, multiplication x \* y, division x/y, square root  $\sqrt{x}$ , and parentheses.
- Comparison operators: x < y, x <= y, x > ? y, x ! = y etc.
- Boolean logic: sign sign x, negation !x, conjunction x && y, disjunction x || y, ternary operator x ? y : z.
- Exponentials:  $\exp x$ ,  $\ln x$ ,  $x^y$ .
- Trigonometry:  $\sin x$ ,  $\cos x$ ,  $\tan x$ ,  $\cot x$ ,  $\sec x$ ,  $\csc x$  expecting their arguments in radians, and  $\sin dx$ ,  $\cos dx$ ,  $\tan dx$ ,  $\cot dx$ ,  $\sec dx$ ,  $\csc dx$  expecting their arguments in degrees.
- Inverse trigonometric functions:  $a\sin x$ ,  $a\cos x$ ,  $a\tan x$ ,  $a\cot x$ ,  $a\sec x$ ,  $a\csc x$  giving a result in radians, and  $a\sin dx$ ,  $a\cos dx$ ,  $a\tan dx$ ,  $a\cot dx$ ,  $a\sec dx$ ,  $a\sec dx$  giving a result in degrees.
- Extrema:  $\max(x, y, ...)$ ,  $\min(x, y, ...)$ , abs(x).
- Rounding functions (n=0) by default, t= NaN by default):  $\operatorname{trunc}(x,n)$  rounds towards zero, floor(x,n) rounds towards  $-\infty$ ,  $\operatorname{ceil}(x,n)$  rounds towards  $+\infty$ ,  $\operatorname{round}(x,n,t)$  rounds to the closest value, with ties rounded to an even value by default, towards zero if t=0, towards  $+\infty$  if t>0 and towards  $-\infty$  if t<0.
- Random numbers: rand(), randint(m, n) (not available in  $X_{\overline{A}}T_{\overline{E}}X$ ).
- Constants: pi, deg (one degree in radians).

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- Dimensions, automatically expressed in points, e.g., pc is 12.
- Automatic conversion (no need for \number) of integer, dimension, and skip variables to floating points numbers, expressing dimensions in points and ignoring the stretch and shrink components of skips.
- Tuples:  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  that can be added together, multiplied or divided by a floating point number, and nested.

An example of use could be the following.

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\label{latex} $$ \operatorname{sin}(3.5)}{2} + 2\cdot 10^{-3} = \frac{\sin(3.5)}{2} + 2\cdot 10^{-3} = \frac{\sin(3.5)}{2} + 2e-3 \ .
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\inteval ★

The expandable command  $\inteval$  takes as its argument an integer expression and produces a result using the normal rules of mathematics. The operations recognised are +, -, \* and / plus parentheses. Division occurs with rounding, and ties are rounded away from zero. As this command is expandable it can be used where  $T_EX$  requires a number and for example within a low-level  $\ensuremath{\mbox{edef}}$  operation to give a purely numerical result.

An example of use could be the following.

 $LaTeX{}$  can now compute: The sum of the numbers is  $\int 1 + 2 + 3$ .

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