

AM Language Notation

This document defines the core notation for the AM programming language.

1. Expressions

- Arithmetic: ``+ - * / ^``
- Equality: ``=`, ` \neq ` (`!=`)`
- Inequalities: ``< > >= <=``
- Logical: ``^`` (and), ``v`` (or), ``¬`` (not)

2. Numbers

- Integers: ``42``
- Rationals: ``1/2``
- Floats: ``3.14`` (optional, not default)
- Special constants: ``π``, ``e``, ``∞``, ``NaN``

ASCII fallback:

- ``pi`` -> `π`
- ``inf`` -> `∞`
- ``NaN`` stays

3. Variables and Let

let x = 2

let y = x^2 + 1

4. Strings

"Hello {name}, the result is {2+3}"

5. Case

case x of

0 => "zero"

_ => "nonzero"

end

6. Algorithms

Define algorithms with ``@Name``:

`@Add(a, b) = a + b`

Call algorithms:

`Add(2, 3)`

Algorithms are first-class:

```
let f = @Add
```

```
f(1,2)
```

7. Editor/IDE Guidance

- Auto-replace ASCII \rightarrow Unicode (``pi`` \rightarrow ``π``, ``->`` \rightarrow ``→``)
- Toggle view: "Plain ASCII" vs "Math Unicode"
- Goal: readable on paper AND in code.

8. Sample

```
@SafeDiv(a,b) =
```

```
case
```

```
 $b \neq 0 \Rightarrow a / b$ 
```

```
 $b = 0 \wedge a > 0 \Rightarrow \infty$ 
```

```
 $b = 0 \wedge a < 0 \Rightarrow -\infty$ 
```

```
 $\_ \Rightarrow \text{NaN}$ 
```

```
end
```

```
SafeDiv(1,2) # = 0.5
```

```
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```

This is the baseline notation. Future: types, structs, access modifiers.