Calc



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WORKING WITH DIFFERENT FORMULAE AND FUNCTIONS

Introduction

In previous chapters, we have been entering one of two basic types of data into each cell: numbers and text. However, we will not always know what the contents should be. Often the contents of one cell depends on the contents of other cells. To handle this situation, we use a third type of data: the *formula*. Formulas are equations using numbers and variables to get a result. In a spreadsheet, the variables are cell locations that hold the data needed for the equation to be completed.

A *function* is a predefined calculation entered in a cell to help you analyze or manipulate data in a spreadsheet. All you have to do is add the arguments, and the calculation is automatically made for you. Functions help you create the formulas needed to get the results that you are looking for.

Setting up a spreadsheet

If you are setting up more than a simple one-worksheet system in Calc, it is worth planning ahead a little. Avoid the following traps:

Typing fixed values into formulas

Not including notes and comments describing what the system does, including what input is required and where the formulas come from (if not created from scratch)

Not incorporating a system of checking to verify that the formulas do what is intended

The trap of fixed values

Many users set up long and complex formulas with fixed values typed directly into the formula.

For example, conversion from one currency to another requires knowledge of the current conversion rate. If you input a formula in cell C1 of **=0.75*B1** (for example to calculate the value in Euros of the USD dollar amount in cell B1), you will have to edit the formula when the exchange rate changes from 0.75 to some other value. It is much easier to set up an input cell with the exchange rate and reference that cell in any formula needing the exchange rate. What-if type calculations are also simplified: what if the exchange rate varies from 0.75 to 0.70 or 0.80? No formula editing is needed and it is clear what rate is used in the calculations. Breaking complex formulas down into more manageable parts, described below, also helps to minimize errors and aid troubleshooting.

Lack of documentation

Lack of documentation is a very common failing. Many users prepare a simple worksheet which then develops into something much more complicated over time. Without documentation, the original purpose and methodology is often unclear and difficult to decipher. In this case it is usually easier to start again from the beginning, wasting the work done previously. If you insert comments in cells, and use labels and headings, a spreadsheet can later be modified by you or others and much time and effort will be saved.

Error-checking formulas

Adding up columns of data or selections of cells from a worksheet often results in errors due to omitting cells, wrongly specifying a range, or double-counting cells. It is useful to institute checks in your spreadsheets. For example, set up a spreadsheet to calculate columns of figures, and use SUM to calculate the individual column totals. You can check the result by including (in a non-printing column) a set of row totals and adding these together. The two figures—row total and column total—must agree. If they do not, you have an error somewhere.

	Error Checking D	Demonstration		
	Sum columns A,	B and C		
	A	В	С	Row Sums
	0	0.64	0.02	0.6
	0.43	0.23	0.75	1.4
	0.91	0.57	0.59	2.0
	0.07	0.07	0.45	0.5
	0.37	0.33	0.04	0.74
	0.34	0.06	0.98	1.3
	0.95	0.34	0.65	1.9
	0.93	0.08	0.63	1.6
	0.61	0.82	0.17	1.0
Column Sum	s =SUM(B22:B29)		4.26	
		TOTAL:	11.37	12.0
				ERROR!!!

Figure 144: Error checking of formulas

You can even set up a formula to calculate the difference between the two totals and report an error in case a non-zero result is returned (see Figure 144).

Creating formulas

You can enter formulas in two ways, either by using the Function Wizard, or by typing directly into the cell or into the input line. A formula must begin with an = symbol, so when typing in directly, you need to start a formula with one of the following symbols: =, + or -. Calc automatically adds the = symbol for the formula, when starting with the + or _ character. Starting with anything else causes the formula to be treated as if it were text.

Operators in formulas

Each cell on the worksheet can be used as a data holder or a place for data calculations. Entering data is accomplished simply by typing in the cell and moving to the next cell or pressing *Enter*. With formulas, the equals sign indicates that the cell will be used for a calculation. A mathematical calculation like 15 + 46 can be accomplished as shown in Figure 145.

While the calculation on the left was accomplished in only one cell, the real power is shown on the right where the data is placed in cells and the calculation is performed using references back to the cells. In this case, cells B3 and B4 were the data holders, with B5 the cell where the calculation was performed. Notice that the formula was shown as =B3+B4. The plus sign indicates that the contents of cells B3 and B4 are to be added together and then have the result in the cell holding the formula. All formulas build upon this concept. Other ways of using formulas are shown in Table 4.

These cell references allow formulas to use data from anywhere in the worksheet being worked on or from any other worksheet in the workbook that is opened. If the data needed was in different worksheets, they would be referenced by referring to the name of the worksheet, for example =SUM(Sheet2.B12+Sheet3.A11).

Note

To enter the = symbol for a purpose other than creating a formula as described in this chapter, type an apostrophe or single quotation mark before the =. For example, in the entry '= means different things to different people, Calc treats everything after the single quotation mark—including the = sign—as text.

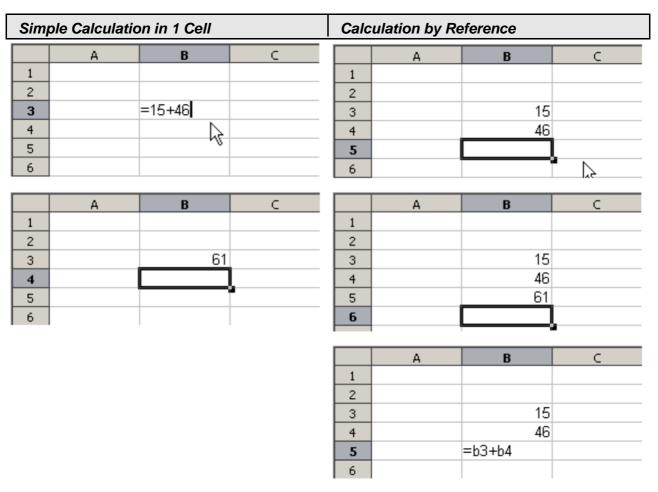


Figure 145: A simple calculation

Table 4: Common ways to use formulas

Formula	Description
=A1+10	Displays the contents of cell A1 plus 10.
=A1*16%	Displays 16% of the contents of A1.
=A1*A2	Displays the result of multiplying the contents of A1 and A2.
=ROUND(A1,1)	Displays the contents of cell A1 rounded to one decimal place.
=EFFECTIVE(5%,12)	Calculates the effective interest for 5% annual nominal interest with 12 payments a year.
=B8-SUM(B10:B14)	Calculates B8 minus the sum of the cells B10 to B14.
=SUM(B8,SUM(B10:B14))	Calculates the sum of cells B10 to B14 and adds the value to B8.
=SUM(B1:B1048576)	Sums all numbers in column B.

Formula	Description
=AVERAGE(BloodSugar)	Displays the average of a named range defined under the name BloodSugar.
=IF(C31>140, "HIGH", "OK")	Displays the results of a conditional analysis of data from two sources. If the contents of C31 is greater than 140, then HIGH is displayed, otherwise OK is displayed.

Note

Users of Lotus 1-2-3, Quattro Pro and other spreadsheet software may be familiar with formulas that begin with +, -, =, (, @, ., \$, or #. A mathematical formula would look like +D2+C2 or +2*3. Functions begin with the @ symbol such as @SUM(D2..D7), @COS(@DEGTORAD(30)) and @IRR(GUESS,CASHFLOWS). Ranges are identified such as A1..D3.

Functions can be identified in Table 4 by a word, for example ROUND, followed by parentheses enclosing references or numbers.

It is also possible to establish ranges for inclusion by naming them using **Insert > Names**, for example BloodSugar representing a range such as B3:B10. Logical functions can also be performed as represented by the IF statement which results in a conditional response based upon the data in the identified cell, for example

=IF(A2>=0,"Positive","Negative")

A value of 3 in cell A2 would return the result *Positive*, a value of –9 the result *Negative*.

Operator types

You can use the following operator types in LibreOffice Calc: arithmetic, comparative, text, and reference.

Arithmetic operators

The addition, subtraction, multiplication and division operators return numerical results. The Negation and Percent operators identify a characteristic of the number found in the cell, for example -37. The example for Exponentiation illustrates how to enter a number that is being multiplied by itself a certain number of times, for example $2^3 = 2*2*2$.

Table 5: Arithmetical operators

Operator	Name	Example
+ (Plus)	Addition	=1+1
- (Minus)	Subtraction	=2–1
- (Minus)	Negation	– 5
* (asterisk)	Multiplication	=2*2
/ (Slash)	Division	=10/5
% (Percent)	Percent	15%
^ (Caret)	Exponentiation	2^3

Comparative operators

Comparative operators are found in formulas that use the IF function and return either a true or false answer; for example, =IF(B6>G12, 127, 0) which, loosely translated, means if the contents of cell B6 are greater than the contents of cell G12, then return the number 127, otherwise return the number 0.

A direct answer of TRUE or FALSE can be obtained by entering a formula such as =B6>B12. If the numbers found in the referenced cells are accurately represented, the answer TRUE is returned, otherwise FALSE is returned.

	Table 6	: Com	parative	operators
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Operator Name		Example
=	Equal	A1=B1
>	Greater than	A1>B1
<	Less than	A1 <b1< td=""></b1<>
>=	Greater than or equal to	A1>=B1
<=	Less than or equal to	A1<=B1
<>	Inequality	A1<>B1

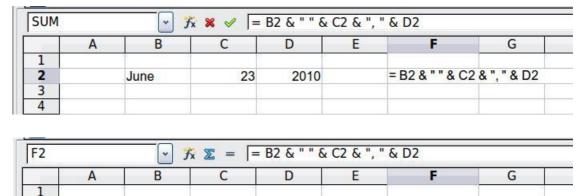
If cell A1 contains the numerical value 4 and cell B1 the numerical value 5, the above examples would yield results of FALSE, FALSE, TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, and TRUE.

Text operators

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It is common for users to place text in spreadsheets. To provide for variability in what and how this type of data is displayed, text can be joined together in pieces coming from different places on the spreadsheet. Figure 146 shows an example.



2010

June 23, 2010

Figure 146: Text concatenation

June

In this example, specific pieces of the text were found in three different cells. To join these segments together, the formula also adds required spaces and punctuation enclosed within quotation marks, resulting in a formula of =B2 & " " & C2 & ", " & D2. The result is the concatenation into a date formatted in a particular sequence.

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Calc has a CONCATENATE function which performs the same operation.

Taking this example further, if the result cell is defined as a name, then text concatenation is performed using this defined name. This process is demonstrated in Figures 147, 148, and 149 where the cell with the date is named "WizardDay" and subsequently used in a formula in another cell.

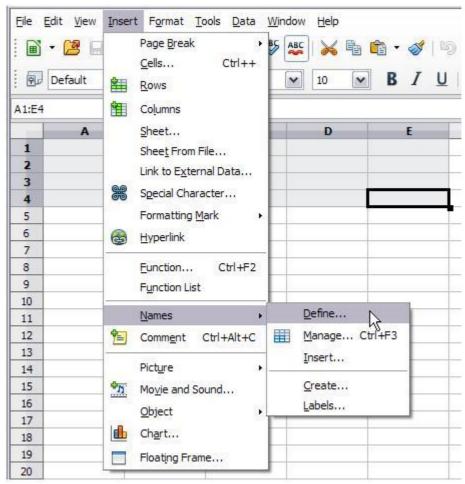


Figure 147: Defining a name for a range of cells

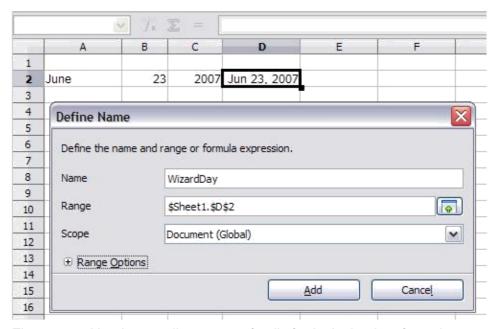


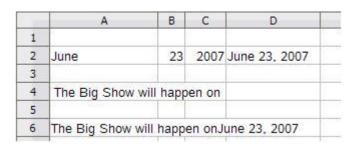
Figure 148: Naming a cell or range of cells for inclusion in a formula

	A	В	С	D
1	l ²			
2	June	23	2007	June 23, 2007
3				
4				

The defined name WizardDay in D2.

	A	В	С	D
1	ĥ			
2	June	23	2007	June 23, 2007
3				
4	The Big Show will	happ	en on	
5		3.6		
6	=A4 & WizardDay			

Text entered into A4, the formula into A6.



The result displayed in A6.

Figure 149: Using Names in a formula

Reference operators

An individual cell is identified by the column identifier (letter) located along the top of the columns and a row identifier (number) found along the left-hand side of the spreadsheet. On spreadsheets read from left to right, the reference for the upper left cell is A1.

Thus in its simplest form a reference refers to a single cell, but references can also refer to a rectangle or cuboid range or a reference in a list of references. To build such references you need reference operators.

Range operator

The range operator is written as a colon. An expression using the range operator has the following syntax:

reference upper left: reference lower right

The range operator builds a reference to the smallest range including both the cells referenced with the left reference and the cells referenced with the right reference.

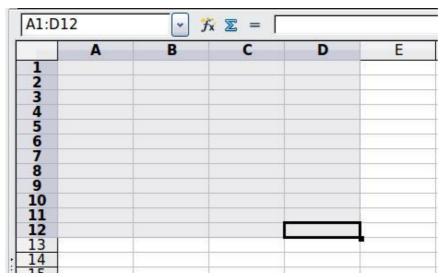


Figure 150: Reference Operator for a range

In the upper left corner of Figure 150 the reference A1:D12 is shown, corresponding to the cells included in the drag operation with the mouse to highlight the range.

Examples

A2:B4	Reference to a rectangle range with 6 cells, 2 column width x 3 row height. When you click on the reference in the formula in the input line, a border indicates the rectangle.
(A2:B4):C9	Reference to a rectangle range with cell A2 top left and cell C9 bottom right. So the range contains 24 cells, 3 column width × 8 row height. This method of addressing extends the initial range from A2:B4 to A2:C9.
Sheet1.A3:Sheet3.D4	Reference to a cuboid range with 24 cells, 4 column width × 2 row height × 3 sheets depth.

When you enter B4:A2 or A4:B2 directly, then Calc will turn it to A2:B4. So the left top cell of the range is left of the colon and the bottom right cell is right of the colon. But if you name the cell B4 for example with _start and A2 with _end, you can use _start:_end without any error.

Calc can not reference a whole column of unspecified length using A:A or a whole row using 1:1 which you might be familiar with in other spreadsheet programs.

Reference concatenation operator

The concatenation operator is written as a tilde. An expression using the concatenation operator has the following syntax:

reference left ~ reference right

The result of such an expression is a reference list, which is an ordered list of references. Some functions can take a reference list as an argument, SUM, MAX or INDEX for example.

The reference concatenation is sometimes called 'union'. But it is not the union of the two sets 'reference left' and 'reference right' as normally understood in set theory. COUNT(A1:C3~B2:D2) returns 12 (=9+3), but it has only 10 cells when considered as the union of the two sets of cells.

Notice that SUM(A1:C3,B2:D2) is different from SUM(A1:C3~B2:D2) although they give the same result. The first is a function call with 2 parameters, each of them is reference to a range. The second is a function call with 1 parameter, which is a reference list.

Intersection operator

The intersection operator is written as an exclamation mark. An expression using the intersection operator has the following syntax:

reference left! reference right

If the references refer to single ranges, the result is a reference to a single range, containing all cells, which are both in the left reference and in the right reference.

If the references are reference lists, then each list item from the left is intersected with each one from the right and these results are concatenated to a reference list. The order is to first intersect the first item from the left with all items from the right, then intersect the second item from the left with all items from the right, and so on.

Examples

A2:B4 ! B3:D6

This results in a reference to the range B3:B4, because these cells are inside A2:B4 and inside B3:D4.

(A2:B4~B1:C2) ! (B2:C6~C1:D3)

First the intersections A2:B4!B2:C6, A2:B4!C1:D3, B1:C2!B2:C6 and B1:C2!C1:D3 are calculated. This results in B2:B4, empty, B2:C2, and C1:C2. Then these results are concatenated, dropping empty parts. So the final result is the reference list B2:B4 ~ B2:C2 ~ C1:C2.

You can use the intersection operator to refer a cell in a cross tabulation in an understandable way. If you have columns labeled 'Temperature' and 'Precipitation' and the rows labeled 'January', 'February', 'March', and so on, then the following expression

'February'! 'Temperature'

will reference to the cell containing the temperature in February.

The intersection operator (!) has a higher precedence than the concatenation operator (~), but do not rely on precedence.

Tip

Always put in parentheses the part that is to be calculated first.

Relative and absolute references

References are the way that we refer to the location of a particular cell in Calc and can be either relative (to the current cell) or absolute (a fixed amount).

Relative referencing

An example of a relative reference will illustrate the difference between a relative reference and absolute reference using the spreadsheet from Figure 151.

1) Type the numbers 4 and 11 into cells C3 and C4 respectively of that spreadsheet.

Copy the formula in cell B5 (=B3+B4) to cell C5. You can do this by using a simple copy and paste or click and drag B5 to C5 as shown below. The formula in B5 calculates the sum of values in the two cells B3 and B4.

Click in cell C5. The formula bar shows =C3+C4 rather than =B3+B4 and the value in C5 is 15, the sum of 4 and 11 which are the values in C3 and C4.

In cell B5 the references to cells B3 and B4 are relative references. This means that Calc interprets the formula in B5, applies it to the cells in the B column, and puts the result in the cell holding the formula. When you copied the formula to another cell, the same procedure was used to calculate the value to put in that cell. This time the formula in cell C5 referred to cells C3 and C4.

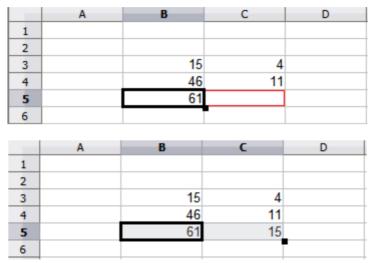


Figure 151: Relative references

You can think of a relative address as a pair of offsets to the current cell. Cell B1 is 1 column to the left of Cell C5 and 4 rows above. The address could be written as R[-1]C[-4]. In fact earlier spreadsheets allowed this notation method to be used in formulas.

Whenever you copy this formula from cell B5 to another cell the result will always be the sum of the two numbers taken from the two cells one and two rows above the cell containing the formula.

Relative addressing is the default method of referring to addresses in Calc.

Absolute referencing

You may want to multiply a column of numbers by a fixed amount. A column of figures might show amounts in US Dollars. To convert these amounts to Euros it is necessary to multiply each dollar amount by the exchange rate. \$US10.00 would be multiplied by 0.75 to convert to Euros, in this case Eur7.50. The following example shows how to input an exchange rate and use that rate to convert amounts in a column form USD to Euros.

Input the exchange rate Eur:USD (0.75) in cell D1. Enter amounts (in USD) into cells D2, D3 and D4, for example 10, 20, and 30.

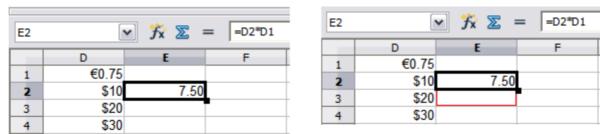
In cell E2 type the formula =D2*D1. The result is 7.5, correctly shown.

Copy the formula in cell E2 to cell E3. The result is 200, clearly wrong! Calc has copied the formula using relative addressing: the formula in E3 is =D3*D2 and not what we want, which is =D3*D1.

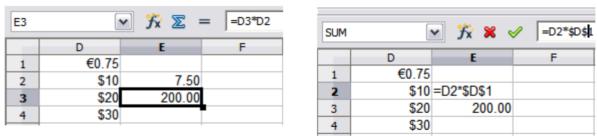
In cell E2 edit the formula to be =D2*\$D\$1. Copy it to cells E3 and E4. The results are now 15 and 22.5 which are correct.

The \$ signs before the D and the 1 convert the reference to cell D1 from relative to absolute or fixed. If the formula is copied to another cell the second part will always show \$D\$1. The

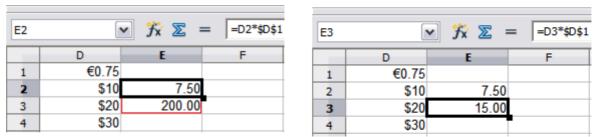
interpretation of this formula is "take the value in the cell one column to the left in the same row and multiply it by the value in cell D1".



Entering the conversion formula into E2, correct result, then copying it to E3.



E3 result is clearly wrong, change the formula in E2 to read absolute reference.



Applying the correct formula from E2 to E3 to get the correct answer.

Figure 152: Absolute references

Cell references can be shown in four ways.

Reference	Explanation
D1	Relative, from cell E3 it is the cell one column to the left and two rows above
\$D\$1	Absolute, from cell E3 it is the cell D1
\$D1	Partially absolute, from cell E3 it is the cell in column D and two rows above
D\$1	Partially absolute, from cell E3 it is the cell one column to the left and in row 1

TipTo change references in formulas, highlight the cell and press *Shift-F4* to cycle through the four types of references. This method is of limited value in more complicated formulas; it is usually quicker to edit the formula by hand.

Knowledge of the use of relative and absolute references is essential if you want to copy and paste formulas and to link spreadsheets.

Order of calculation

Order of calculation refers to the sequence in which numerical operations are performed. Division and multiplication are performed before addition or subtraction. There is a common tendency to expect calculations to be made from left to right as the equation would be read in English. Calc evaluates the entire formula, then based upon programming precedence breaks the formula down executing multiplication and division operations before other operations. Therefore, when creating formulas you should test your formula to make sure that the correct result is being obtained. Following is an example of the order of calculation in operation.

Table 7: Order of Calculation

Left To Right Calculation	Ordered Calculation		
1+3*2+3 = 11	=1+3*2+3 result 10		
1+3 = 4, then 4 X 2 = 8, then 8+3 = 11	3*2 = 6, then $1+6+3 = 10$		
Another possible intention could be:	The program resolves the multiplication of		
1+3*2+3 = 20	3 X 2 before dealing with the numbers		
1+3 = 4, then 2+3 = 5, then 4 X 5=20	being added.		

If you intend for the result to be either of the two possible solutions on the left, the way to achieve these results would be to order the formula as:

$$((1+3) * 2)+3 = 11$$
 $(1+3) * (2+3) = 20$

Note

Use parentheses to group operations in the order you intend; for example, =B4+G12*C4/M12 might become =((B4+G12)*C4)/M12.

Calculations linking sheets

Another powerful feature of Calc is the ability to link data through several worksheets. The naming of worksheets can be helpful to identify where specific data may be found. A name such as Payroll or Boise Sales is much more meaningful than Sheet1. The function named SHEET() returns the sheet number (position) in the collection of worksheets. There may be several worksheets in each book and they may be numbered from the left: Sheet1, Sheet2, and so forth. If you drag the worksheets around to different locations among the tabs, the function returns the number referring to the current position of this worksheet. In a new instance of Calc, the default is a single worksheet.

For example, if the formula =SHEET() is put into A1 on Sheet 1 it returns the value 1. If you drag Sheet 1 to be positioned between sheets 2 and 3 then the value changes to 2, it is now the second sheet in the order.

An example of calculations obtaining data from other work can be seen in a business setting where a business combines revenues and costs of each of its branch operations into a single combined worksheet.

-	Ä	K	L	М	N
2	Flowing Abundantly, Ltd.				
3	Combined Sales YTD			i i	
4					
5					
6		Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
7	Revenue:				
8	Greenery Sales	36,288	52,874	81,335	1,283,107
9	Fertilizer Sales	16,822	3,825	3,600	697,634
10	Earth Sales	2,019	459	432	84,479
11	Sub-Total	55,129	57,158	85,367	2,065,220
12					
13	Cost of Sales:				
14	Wholesaler Purchases	18,744	19,434	29,025	702,175
15	Sales Tax	6,064	6,287	9,390	227,174
16	Sub-Total	24,808	25,721	38,415	929,349
17					
18	Total Revenue:	30,321	31,437	46,952	1,135,871
19				V4.1	VI II A A
20	Expenses:				

Sheet containing data for Branch 1.

	A	К	L	М	N
2	Flowing Abundantly, Ltd.				
3	Combined Sales YTD	1,			.)
4					
5	g.		l.		
6		Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
7	Revenue:				
8	Greenery Sales	38,251	14,899	49,588	1,027,538
9	Fertilizer Sales	6,120	2,384	7,934	164,406
10	Earth Sales	734	286	952	19,729
11	Sub-Total	45,106	17,569	58,474	1,211,673
12					
13	Cost of Sales:				
14	Wholesaler Purchases	15,336	5,973	19,881	411,969
15	Sales Tax	4,962	1,933	6,432	133,284
16	Sub-Total	20,298	7,906	26,313	545,253
17			X**		
18	Total Revenue:	24,808	9,663	32,161	666,420
19					
20 4 4	Fxnenses:	nch3 / Combined			

Sheet containing data for Branch 2.

-	A	K	L	М	N	Sheet containing dat
3	Combined Sales YTD					for Branch 3.
4						ioi Bialicii 3.
5		Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	
6	Revenue:		W-10-7-10-7-10-7-10-7-10-7-10-7-10-7-10-			
7	Greenery Sales	65,801	58,257	102,179	1,498,444	
8	Fertilizer Sales	54,833	17,620	8,782	843,175	
9	Earth Sales	59,025	16,824	7,622	397,342	
10	Sub-Total	179,659	92,701	118,583	2,738,961	
11						
12	Cost of Sales:					
13	Wholesaler Purchases	61084.06	31518.34	40318.22	931246.74	
14	Sales Tax	19762.49	10197.11	13044.13	301285.71	
15	Sub-Total	80846.55	41715.45	53362.35	1232532.45	
16						
17	Total Revenue:	98,812	50,986	65,221	1,506,429	1
18					· ·	
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	A	K	L	М	N	data for all branches.
2	Flowering Abundantly, Ltd.			13000	3030	
3	Combined Sales YTD					
4					_	
5		Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	
6	Revenue:					
7	Greenery Sales	167,890		285,693	4,279,995	
8	Fertilizer Sales	126,488	39,065	21,164	2,383,984	
9	Earth Sales	120,069	34,107	15,676	879,163	
10	Sub-Total	414,447	242,560	322,533	7,543,142	
11						
12	Cost of Sales:					
13	Wholesaler Purchases	140,912	82,470	109,661	2,564,668	
14	Sales Tax	45,589	26,682	35,479	829,746	
15	Sub-Total	186,501	109,152	145,140	3,394,414	
16						
17	Total Revenue:	227,946	133,408	177,393	4,148,728	
18						

Figure 153: Combining data from several sheets into a single sheet

The spreadsheets have been set up with identical structures. The easiest way to do this is to open a new spreadsheet, set up the first Branch spreadsheet, input data, format cells, and prepare the formulas for the various sums of rows and columns.

On the worksheet tab, right-click and select **Rename Sheet**. Type **Branch1**. Right-click on the tab again and select **Move/Copy Sheet**.

In the Move/Copy Sheet dialog, select the **Copy** option (automatically selected if there is only one sheet in the spreadsheet) and select *-move to end position-* in the *Insert before* window. Change the entry in **New name** to Branch2. Click **OK**. Repeat to produce the Branch3 and Combined worksheets.

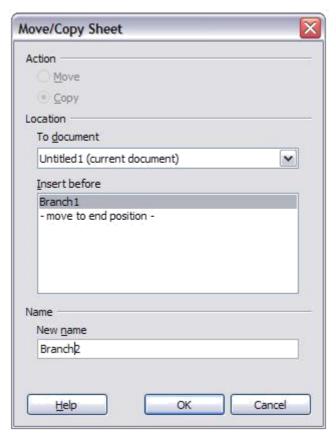


Figure 154: Copying a worksheet

Enter the data for Branch 2 and Branch 3 into the respective sheets. Each sheet stands alone and reports the results for the individual branches.

In the Combined worksheet, click on cell K7. Type =, click on the tab Branch1, click on cell K7, press +, repeat for sheets Branch2 and Branch3 and press Enter. You now have a formula in cell K7 which adds the revenue from Greenery Sales for the 3 Branches.

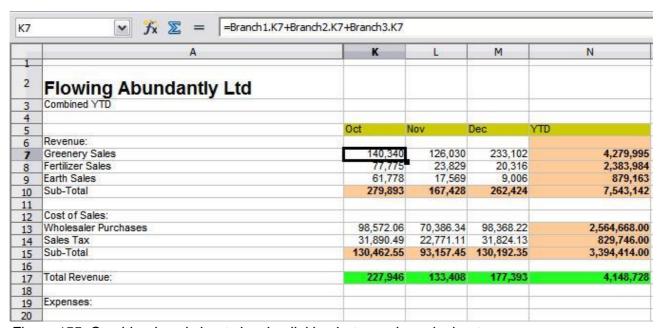


Figure 155: Combined worksheet showing linking between branch sheets

Copy the formula, highlight the range K7:N17, click **Edit > Paste Special**, uncheck the **Paste all** and **Formats** boxes in the Selection area of the dialog box and click **OK**. You will see the following message:

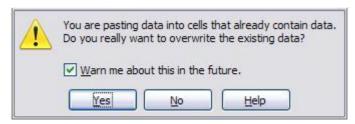


Figure 156: Linking sheets: pasting a formula to a cell range

Click **Yes**. You have now copied the formulas into each cell while maintaining the format you set up in the original worksheet. Of course, in this example you would have to tidy the worksheet up by removing the zeros in the non-formatted rows.

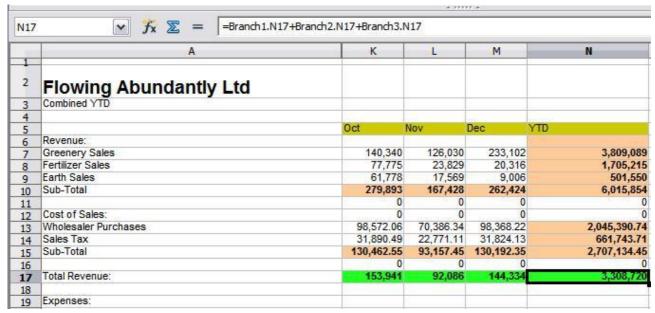


Figure 157: Linking Sheets: Copy Paste Special from K7:N17

Note

LibreOffice default is to paste all the attributes of the original cell(s) - formats, notes, objects, text strings and numbers.

The Function Wizard can also be used to accomplish the linking. Use of this Wizard is described in detail in the section on Functions.

Understanding functions

Calc includes over 350 functions to help you analyze and reference data. Many of these functions are for use with numbers, but many others are used with dates and times, or even text. A function may be as simple as adding two numbers together, or finding the average of a list of numbers. Alternatively, it may be as complex as calculating the standard deviation of a sample, or a hyperbolic tangent of a number.

Typically, the name of a function is an abbreviated description of what the function does. For instance, the FV function gives the future value of an investment, while BIN2HEX converts a binary

number to a hexadecimal number. By tradition, functions are entered entirely in upper case letters, although Calc will read them correctly if they are in lower or mixed case, too.

A few basic functions are somewhat similar to operators. Examples:

This operator adds two numbers together for a result. SUM() on the other hand adds groups of contiguous ranges of numbers together.

This operator multiplies two numbers together for a result. PRODUCT() does the same for multiplying that SUM() does for adding.

Each function has a number of *arguments* used in the calculations. These arguments may or may not have their own name. Your task is to enter the arguments needed to run the function. In some cases, the arguments have predefined choices, and you may need to refer to the online help or Appendix B (Description of Functions) in this book to understand them. More often, however, an argument is a value that you enter manually, or one already entered in a cell or range of cells on the spreadsheet. In Calc, you can enter values from other cells by typing in their name or range, or —unlike the case in some spreadsheets—by selecting cells with the mouse. If the values in the cells change, then the result of the function is automatically updated.

For compatibility, functions and their arguments in Calc have almost identical names to their counterparts in Microsoft Excel. However, both Excel and Calc have functions that the other lacks. Occasionally, functions with the same names in Calc and Excel have different arguments, or slightly different names for the same argument—neither of which can be imported to the other. However, the majority of functions can be used in both Calc and Excel without any change. A comparison list may be found on the LibreOffice wiki, linked from the Documentation/Publications page.

Understanding the structure of functions

All functions have a similar structure. If you use the right tool for entering a function, you can escape learning this structure, but it is still worth knowing for troubleshooting.

To give a typical example, the structure of a function to find cells that match entered search criteria is:

= DCOUNT (Database, Database field, Search criteria)

Since a function cannot exist on its own, it must always be part of a formula. Consequently, even if the function represents the entire formula, there must be an = sign at the start of the formula. Regardless of where in the formula a function is, the function will start with its name, such as DCOUNT in the example above. After the name of the function comes its arguments. All arguments are required, unless specifically listed as optional.

Arguments are added within the parentheses and are separated by commas, with no space between the arguments and the commas.

Many arguments are numbers. A Calc function can take up to thirty numbers as an argument. That may not sound like much at first. However, when you realize that the number can be not only a number or a single cell, but also an array or range of cells that contain several or even hundreds of cells, then the apparent limitation vanishes.

Depending on the nature of the function, arguments may be entered as follows:

"text data" The quotes indicate text or string data is being entered.

9 The number nine is being entered as a number.

"9" The number nine is being entered as text

A1 The address for whatever is in Cell A1 is being entered

Nested functions

Functions can also be used as arguments within other functions. These are called nested functions.

=SUM(2,PRODUCT(5,7))

To get an idea of what nested functions can do, imagine that you are designing a self-directed learning module. During the module, students do three quizzes, and enter the results in cells A1, A2, and A3. In A4, you can create a nested formula that begins by averaging the results of the quizzes with the formula =AVERAGE(A1:A3). The formula then uses the IF function to give the student feedback that depends upon the average grade on the quizzes. The entire formula would read:

=IF(AVERAGE(A1:A3) >85, "Congratulations! You are ready to advance to the next module", "Failed. Please review the material again. If necessary, contact your instructor for help")

Depending on the average, the student would receive the message for either congratulations or failure.

Notice that the nested formula for the average does not require its own equal sign. The one at the start of the equation is enough for both formulas.

If you are new to spreadsheets, the best way to think of functions is as a scripting language. We've used simple examples to explain the concept more clearly, but, through nesting of functions, a Calc formula can quickly become complex.

Note

Calc keeps the syntax of a formula displayed in a tool tip next to the cell as a handy memory aid as you type.

A more reliable method is to use the Function List (Figure 158).

Available from the **Insert** menu, the Function List automatically docks as a pane on the right side of the Calc editing window. If you wish, you can *Control+double-click* on a blank space at the top of the pane to undock this pane and make it a floating window.

The Function List includes a brief description of each function and its arguments; highlight the function and look at the bottom of the pane to see the description. If necessary, hover the cursor over the division between the list and the description; when the cursor becomes a two-headed arrow, drag it upwards to increase the space for the description. Double-click on a function's name to add it to the current cell, together with placeholders for each of the function's arguments.

Clicking on the bar where the 5 dots and arrows are shown (shown by the ellipse in Figure 158) will hide the list on the right hand side of the screen. Clicking this area again will show the list, making it easy to keep the list available for easy reference.

Using the Function List is almost as fast as manual entry, and has the advantage of not requiring that you memorize a formula that you want to use. In theory, it should also be less error -prone. In practice, though, some users may fumble when replacing the placeholders with values. Another feature is the ability to display the last formulas used.

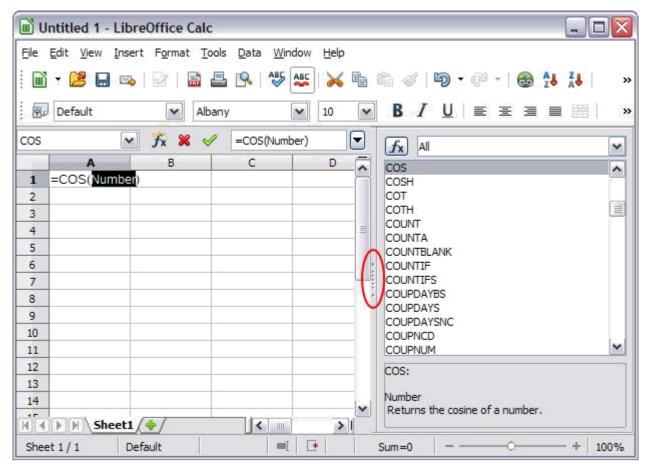


Figure 158: Function List docked to right side of Calc window

Function Wizard

The most commonly used input method is the *Function Wizard* (Figure 160). To open the Function Wizard, choose **Insert > Function**, or click the *fx* button on the Formula bar, or press *Ctrl+F2*. Once open, the Function Wizard provides the same help features as the Function List, but adds fields in which you can see the result of a completed function, as well as the result of any larger formula of which it is part.

Select a category of functions to shorten the list, then scroll down through the named functions and select the required one by double-clicking on it. When you select a function its description appears on the right-hand side of the dialog.

The Wizard now displays an area to the right where you can enter data manually in text boxes or click the Shrink button to shrink the wizard so you can select cells from the worksheet.

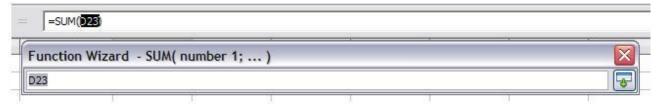


Figure 159: Function Wizard after shrinking

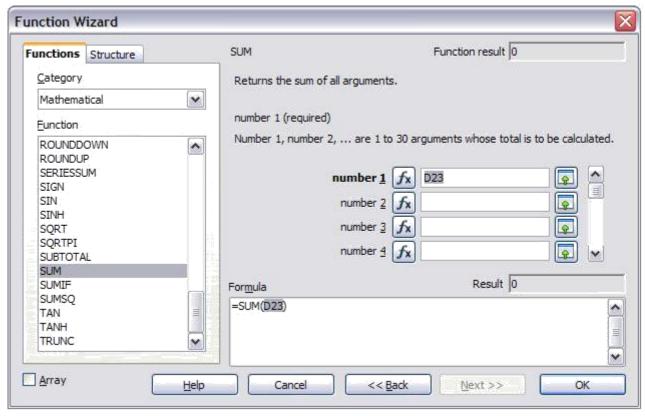


Figure 160: Functions page of Function Wizard.

To select cells, either click directly upon the cell or hold down the left mouse button and drag to select the required area.

When the area has been selected, click the **Shrink** button again to return to the wizard.

If multiple arguments are needed select the next text box below the first and repeat the selection process for the next cell or range of cells. Repeat this process as often as required. The Wizard will accept up to 30 ranges or arguments in the SUM function.

Click **OK** to accept the function and add it to the cell and get the result.





Caution and select a different one by double-clicking again, then the second choice formula is added into the first choice formula in the Formula text box. You must clear the formula box and then double-click the function to add it to the box. This additive facility allows you to create complex formulas by building them up in the Formula box.

If you select a function by double-clicking it in the list, and then change your mind

You can also select the *Structure* tab (Figure 161) to see a tree view of the parts of the formula. The main advantage over the Function List is that each argument is entered in its own field. making it easier to manage. The price of this reliability is slower input, but this is often a small price to pay, since precision is generally more important than speed when creating a spreadsheet.



Pressing the dialog **Help** button after selecting certain functions with either a single-Caution or double-click will cause LibreOffice to crash. This early bug may be corrected for later releases in the Version 4.1. series. Affected functions are:

> AVERAGEIF: AVERAGEIFS: SUMIFS: COUNTIFS: IFERROR: IFNA: XOR; NUMBERVALUE; SKEWP

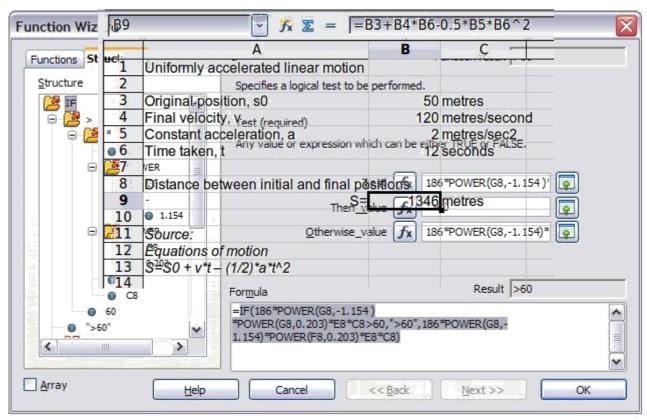


Figure 161: Structure page of Function Wizard

Functions can be entered into the Input line. After you enter a function on the Input line, press the *Enter* key or click the **Accept** button on the Formula toolbar to add the function to the cell and get its result.

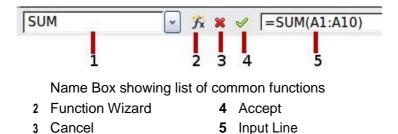


Figure 162: The Function toolbar

If you see the formula in the cell instead of the result, then *Formulas* are selected for display in **Tools > Options > LibreOffice Calc > View > Display**. Deselect *Formulas*, and the result will display. However, you can still see the formula in the Input line.



Finding and fixing errors

It is common to find situations where errors are displayed. Even with all the tools available in Calc to help you to enter formulas, making mistakes is easy. Many people find inputting numbers difficult and many may make a mistake about the kind of entry that a function's argument needs. In addition to correcting errors, you may want to find the cells used in a formula to change their values or to check the answer.

Calc provides three tools for investigating formulas and the cells that they reference: error messages, color coding, and the Detective.

Error messages

The most basic tool is error messages. Error messages display in a formula's cell or in the Function Wizard instead of the result.

An error message for a formula is usually a three-digit number from 501 to 527, or sometimes an unhelpful piece of text such as #NAME?, #REF, or #VALUE. The error number appears in the cell, and a brief explanation of the error on the right side of the status bar.

Most error messages indicate a problem with how the formula was input, although several indicate that you have run up against a limitation of either Calc or its current settings.

Error messages are not user-friendly, and may intimidate new users. However, they are valuable clues to correcting mistakes. You can find detailed explanations of them in the help, by searching for Error codes in LibreOffice Calc. A few of the most common are shown in the following table.

#NAME? Instead of displaying Err:525. No valid reference exists for the argument.

#REF Instead of displaying Err:524. The column, row, or sheet for the referenced

cell is missing.

#VALUE Instead of displaying Err:519. The value for one of the arguments is not the

type that the argument requires. The value may be entered incorrectly; for example, double-quotation marks may be missing around the value. At other times, a cell or range used may have the wrong format, such as text instead

of numbers.

#DIV0! Instead of displaying Err:532. Division by zero

#NUM! A calculation results in an overflow of the defined value range.

509 An operator such as an equals sign is missing from the formula.

A variable is missing from the formula.

Examples of common errors

#DIV/0! Division by zero

This error is the result of dividing a number by either the number zero (0) or a blank cell. There is an easy way to avoid this type of problem. When you have a zero or blank cell displayed, use a conditional function. Figure 164 depicts division of column B by column C yielding 2 errors arising from a zero and a blank cell showing in column C.

	Α	В	C	D
1				
2	Date	Patients	Nursing Staff	Patients per Nurse
3	01/05/2007	24	5	4.8
4	02/05/2007	16	5	3.2
5	03/05/2007	21	3	7
6	04/05/2007	17	0	#DIV/0!
7	05/05/2007	18	4	4.5
8	06/05/2007	17		#DIV/0!
9	07/05/2007	19	5	3.8
10	08/05/2007	22	4	5.5
11	09/05/2007	21	4	5.25
12	10/05/2007	18	3	6
13	11/05/2007	19	4	4.75

Figure 164: Examples of #DIV/0!, Division by zero error

It is very common to find an error such as this arising from a situation where data was not reported or reported incorrectly. When such an occurrence is possible, an IF function can be used to display the data correctly. The formula =IF(C3>0, B3/C3, "No Report") can be entered. The formula is then copied over the remainder of Column D. The meaning of this formula roughly would be: "If C3 is greater than 0, then compute B3 divided by C3, otherwise enter 'No Report'".

It is also possible for the last parameter to use double quotes for a blank (no value) to be entered, or a different formula with a standardized number being substituted for the lower number. An example is shown in Figure 165.

IF		✓ fx 💥	√ =IF(C3>0,B3/6)	C3, "No Report")	
	A	В	С	D	Е
1					
2	Date	Patients	Nursing Staff	Patients per Nurse	
3	01/05/2007	24	5	=IF(C3>0,B3/C3,"	No Report"
4	02/05/2007	16	5	3.2	
5	03/05/2007	21	3	7	
6	04/05/2007	17	0	No Report	
7	05/05/2007	18	4	4.5	
8	06/05/2007	17		No Report	
9	07/05/2007	19	5	3.8	
10	08/05/2007	22	4	5.5	
11	09/05/2007	21	4	5 25	

Figure 165: Division by zero solution

#VALUE No result and #REF Incorrect references

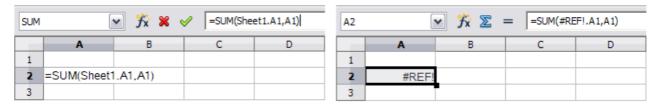
The #Value error is also very common.

	A	В	С	D
2	Date	Patients	Nursing Staff	Patients per Nurse
3	01/05/2007	The state of the s	1	4.8
4	02/05/2007	16	5	3.2
5	03/05/2007	21	3	7
6	04/05/2007	17	C	No Report
7	05/05/2007	18	4	4.5
8	06/05/2007	17	None	#VALUE!
9	07/05/2007	19	5	3.8

Figure 166: Incorrect entry causing #VALUE error

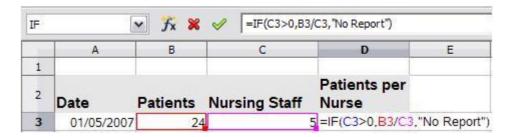
A common occurrence of this error arises when a cell contains an incorrect value type. In the example of Figure 23, text "None" has been entered in C8, where our formula in column D is expecting a number.

The #REF error is caused by a missing reference. In the example below, the formula references a sheet which has been deleted.



Color coding for input

Another useful tool when reviewing a formula is the color coding for input. When you select a formula that has already been entered, the cells or ranges used for each argument in the formula are outlined in color.



Calc uses eight colors for outlining referenced cells, starting with blue for the first cell, and continuing with red, magenta, green, dark blue, brown, purple and yellow before cycling through the sequence again.

The Detective

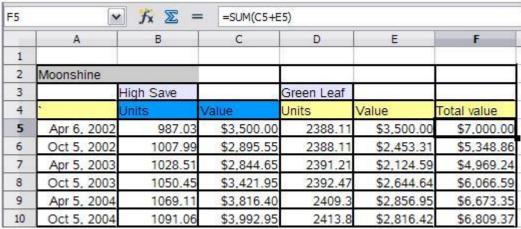
In a long or complicated spreadsheet, color coding becomes less useful. In these cases, consider using the submenu under **Tools > Detective**. The Detective is a tool for checking which cells are used as arguments by a formula (precedents) and which other formulas it is nested in (dependents), and tracking errors. It can also be used for tracing errors, marking invalid data (that is, information in cells that is not in the proper format for a function's argument), or even for removing precedents and dependents.

To use the Detective, select a cell with a formula, then start the Detective. On the spreadsheet, you will see lines ending in circles to indicate precedents, and lines ending in arrows for dependents. The lines show the flow of information.

Use the Detective to assist in following the precedents referred to in a formula in a cell. By tracing these precedents, you frequently can find the source of the errors. Place the cursor in the cell in question and then choose **Tools > Detective > Trace Precedents** from the menu bar or press *Shift+F7*. Figure 167 shows a simple example of tracing precedents.

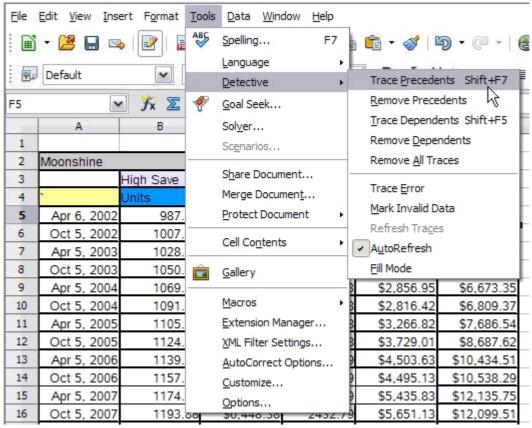
This allows us to check the source cells (which may be a range) for any errors which have caused us to query the calculation result. If a source is a range, then that range is highlighted in blue.

In other instances we may have to trace an error. For this we use the Trace Error function, found under **Tools > Detective > Trace Error**, to find the cells that caused the error.

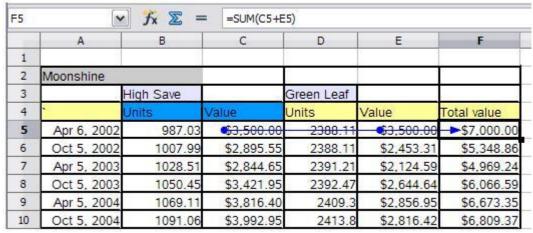


a) Cell containing formula selected.

Figure 167: Tracing precedents using the Detective



b) Initiate trace by clicking Trace Precedents



Source cells indicated with blue dots, with arrow pointing to the calculation

cell (continued): Tracing precedents using the Detective

Examples of functions

For novices, functions are one of the most intimidating features of LibreOffice's Calc. New users quickly learn that functions are an important feature of spreadsheets, but there are hundreds, and many require input that assumes specialized knowledge. Fortunately, Calc includes dozens of functions that anyone can use.

Different Functions

Learning Contents

- Mathematical Functions (COUNT,COUNTBLANK,COUNTIF,COUNTIFS,SUM,SUMIF,SUMIFS)
- Statistical analysis functions (AVERAGE, AVERAGEIF, MAX, MIN, MOD)
- Date and Time functions (DATE, TODAY, TIME)
- Logical functions (AND,FALSE,IF,NOT,OR, TRUE)
- Information functions (ISBLANK, ISNUMBER)
- Text functions (CONCATENATE, EXACT)

Functions available in Calc

Calc provides all of the commonly used functions found in modern spreadsheet applications. Since many of Calc's functions require very specific and carefully calculated input arguments, the descriptions in this appendix should not be considered complete references for each function. Refer to the application Help or the LibreOffice wiki for details and examples of all functions. On the wiki, start with https://help.libreoffice.org/Calc/Functions_by_Category

Over 300 standard functions are available in Calc. More can be added through extensions to Calc (see Chapter 14). The following tables list Calc's functions organized into eleven categories.

Note

Functions whose names end with **_ADD** are provided for compatibility with Microsoft Excel functions. They return the same results as the corresponding functions in Excel (without the suffix), which though they may be correct, are not based on international standards. Calc automatically changes the function to _ADD for relevant functions in imported Excel spreadsheets.

Terminology: numbers and arguments

Some of the descriptions in this appendix define limitations on the number of values or arguments that can be passed to the function. Specifically, functions that refer to the following arguments may lead to confusion:

Number_1, number_2, ... number_30

Number 1 to 30

a list of up to 30 numbers

There is a significant difference between a *list of number* s (or integers) and the *number of arguments* a function will accept. For, example the *SUM* function will only accept a maximum of 30 arguments. This limit does NOT mean that you can only sum 30 numbers, but that you can only pass 30 separate arguments to the function.

Arguments are values separated by commas, and can include ranges which often refer to multiple values. Therefore one argument can refer to several values, and a function that limits input to 30 arguments may in fact accept more then 30 separate numerical values.

This appendix attempts to clarify this situation by using the term **arguments**, rather than any of the other phrases.

In the LibreOffice Calc functions, parameters marked as "optional" can be left out only when no parameter follows. For example, in a function with four parameters, where the last two parameters are marked as "optional", you can leave out parameter 4 or parameters 3 and 4, but you cannot leave out parameter 3 alone.

Note

In the tables of functions in this Appendix, several bugs are listed; if you wish to check on the progress of fixing those bugs, you can visit http://bugs.libreoffice.org/ and enter the bug number.

Mathematical functions

Table 33: Mathematical functions

Syntax	Description
ABS(Number)	Returns the absolute value of the given Number .
ACOS(Number)	Returns the inverse cosine of the given Number in radians.
ACOSH(Number)	Returns the inverse hyperbolic cosine of the given Number in radians.
ACOT(Number)	Returns the inverse cotangent of the given Number in radians.
ACOTH(Number)	Returns the inverse hyperbolic cotangent of the given Number in radians.
ASIN(Number)	Returns the inverse sine of the given Number in radians.
ASINH(Number)	Returns the inverse hyperbolic sine of the given Number in radians.
ATAN(Number)	Returns the inverse tangent of the given Number in radians.
ATAN2(number_x, number_y)	Returns the inverse tangent of the specified x and y coordinates in radians. number_x is the value for the x coordinate. number_y is the value for the y coordinate.
ATANH(Number)	Returns the inverse hyperbolic tangent of the given Number . (Angle is returned in radians.)
BITAND(Number, Number)	This is the bitwise "AND" of two positive integers whose values are less than 2^48. Both parameters are required. Bug 71810, concerning parameter names in BITAND, BITOR, and BITXOR.
BITLSHIFT(Number, Shift)	The bitwise left shift of an integer value. Both parameters are required. Number is an integer less than 2^48. Shift is the number of bits to move by.
BITOR(Number, Number)	This is the bitwise "OR" of two positive integers whose values are less than 2^48. Both parameters are required.
BITRSHIFT(Number, Shift)	The bitwise right shift of an integer value. Both parameters are required. Number is an integer less than 2^48. Shift is the number of bits to move by.
BITXOR(number, number)	This is the bitwise "exclusive OR" of two positive integers whose values are less than 2^48. Both parameters are required.
CEILING(Number, Significance, Mode)	Rounds up the given Number to the nearest multiple of the value of Significance . Mode is an optional value. If the mode value is given and not equal to zero, and if number and significance are negative, then rounding is done based on the absolute value of number. Omit this value for Excel compatibility.
COMBIN(count_1, count_2)	Returns the number of combinations for elements without repetition. count_1 is the total number of elements. count_2 is the number to be combined from the elements. This is the same as the nCr function on a calculator.

Syntax	Description
COMBINA(count_1, count_2)	Returns the number of combinations for a given number of objects (repetition included). count_1 is the total number of elements. count_2 is the number to choose from the elements.
CONVERT(value, text, text)	Converts a value from one unit of measurement to another. value is the quantity to be converted. The first text is the official abbreviation for the measurement in question (for example, "mi" for miles). The second text parameter gives the unit to which it is to be converted. Both text arguments must be within quotes and are case sensitive. The conversion is done according to a table in the configuration (main.xcd). Bug 69539: This function does not work.
COS(Number)	Returns the cosine of the Number (the angle in radians).
COSH(Number)	Returns the hyperbolic cosine of the Number (the angle in radians).
COT(Number)	Returns the cotangent of the Number (the angle in radians).
COTH(Number)	Returns the hyperbolic cotangent of the Number (the angle in radians).
COUNTBLANK(range)	Returns the number of empty cells. range is the cell range in which the empty cells are counted.
COUNTIF(range, criteria)	Returns the number of cells that meet the criteria within a cell range. range is the range to which the criteria are to be applied. criteria indicates the criteria in the form of a number, a regular expression, or a character string by which the cells are counted.
COUNTIFS(range 1, criteria 1, range 2, criteria 2,,)	Returns the number of cells that meet multiple criteria in multiple cell ranges. range 1 (required), range 2,, are the ranges to which the criteria are to be applied. criteria 1 (required), criteria 2,, indicate the criteria in the form of a number, a regular expression, or a character string by which the cells are evaluated. All ranges must have the same dimension and size.
CSC(Angle)	Returns the cosecant of an angle given in radians (1/SIN(X)).
CSCH(Angle)	Returns the hyperbolic cosecant of a hyperbolic angle (1/SINH(X)).
DEGREES(Number)	Converts the given Number in radians to degrees.
EUROCONVERT(value, from_currency, to_currency, full_precision, triangulation_precision)	Converts from one pre-Euro currency to another. value is the value to be converted. The from_currency is the ISO 4217 code of the currency from which value is to be converted. The to_currency is the ISO 4217 code of the currency to which value is to be converted. The entries are not case sensitive. The above parameters are required. The optional full_precision parameter, if omitted, is 0 or FALSE rounds the result to the decimals of the to_currency. If full_precision is TRUE, the result is not rounded. triangulation_precision is optional. If triangulation_precision is given and >=3, the intermediate result of a triangular conversion (currency1, EURO, currency2) is rounded to that precision. If triangulation_precision is omitted, the intermediate result is not rounded. Also if to_currency is "EUR", triangulation_precision is used as if triangulation was needed

Syntax	Description
	and conversion from Euro to Euro was applied. Conversion rates and currency codes can be found here: http://ec.europa.eu/economy_finance/euro/adoption/conversion/index_en.htm
	The Cyprus pound has been omitted from this list but is "CYP". Bug 71850: These are NOT case sensitive as stated in the Function Wizard.
EVEN(Number)	Rounds the given Number up to the nearest even integer, and a negative number down to the next even number.
EXP(Number)	Returns e raised to the power of the given Number .
FACT(Number)	Returns the factorial of the given Number .
FLOOR(Number, Significance, Mode)	Rounds the given Number down to the nearest multiple of Significance . Significance is the value to whose multiple the number is to be rounded down. Mode is an optional value. If it is indicated and non-zero and if the number and significance are negative, rounding is done based on the absolute value of the number. Note: Many application user interfaces have a FLOOR function with only two parameters, and somewhat different semantics than given here (e.g., they operate as if there was a non-zero mode value). These FLOOR functions are inconsistent with the standard mathematical definition of FLOOR.
GCD(Integer 1, Integer 2,, Integer 30))	Returns the greatest common divisor of one or more positive integers. Integers x is a list of up to 30 integers, at least one of which must be greater than zero, whose greatest common divisor is to be calculated. This gives a result based on international standards.
GCD_ADD(Number(s), Number(s)1,, Number(s)30)	Returns the greatest common divisor of a list of numbers. Number(s) X is a list of up to 30 numbers, additional to Number(s) separated by commas. This gives the same results as MS Excel.
INT(Number)	Rounds the given Number down to the nearest integer.
LCM(Integer 1, Integer 2,, Integer 30)	Returns the least common multiple of one or more integers. Integer 1, Integer 2,, Integer 30 are integers whose lowest common multiple is to be calculated.
LCM_ADD(Number(s), Number(s)1,, Number(s)30)	Number(s) X is a list of up to 30 numbers, additional to Number(s) , separated by commas. The result is the lowest common multiple of a list of numbers.
LN(Number)	Returns the natural logarithm, based on the constant <i>e</i> , of the given Number .
LOG(Number, Base)	Returns the logarithm of the given Number (value >0) to the specified base. Base is the base for the logarithm calculation. If omitted, 10 is assumed.
LOG10(Number)	Returns the base-10 logarithm of a Number >0.
MOD(Dividend, Divisor)	Returns the remainder after a number is divided by a divisor. Dividend is the number to be divided. Divisor is the number by which the dividend is divided.

Syntax	Description
MROUND(Number, Multiple)	Returns Number rounded to the nearest multiple of Multiple .
MULTINOMIAL (Number(s), Number(s)1,, Number(s)30)	Returns the factorial of the sum of the arguments divided by the product of the factorials of the arguments. Number(s) X is a list of up to 30 numbers, additional to Number(s) , separated by commas.
ODD(Number)	Rounds Number up if positive and down if negative, to the nearest odd integer.
PI()	Returns the value of PI to fourteen decimal places.
POWER(Base, Exponent)	Returns the result of a number raised to a power. Base is the number that is to be raised to the given power. Exponent is the exponent by which the base is to be raised.
PRODUCT(Number 1, Number 2,, Number 30)	Multiplies all the numbers given as arguments and returns the product. Number 1 to Number 30 are up to <i>30 arguments</i> whose product is to be calculated, separated by commas.
QUOTIENT(Numerator, Denominator)	Returns the integer result of a division operation. Numerator is the number that will be divided. Denominator is the number the numerator will be divided by.
RADIANS(Number)	Converts the given Number in degrees to radians.
RAND()	Returns a random number between 0 and 1. This number will recalculate every time data is entered, <i>Ctrl+Shift+F9</i> or <i>F9</i> is pressed.
RANDBETWEEN (Bottom, Top)	Returns an integer random number between Bottom and Top (inclusive). This number will recalculate when the <i>Ctrl+Shift+F9</i> key combination is pressed (not F9 alone).
ROUND(number, count)	Rounds the given number to count (optional) decimal places. If the count parameter is omitted or zero, number rounds to the nearest integer. If count is negative, the function rounds to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 and so on.
ROUNDDOWN(number, count)	Rounds the given number down, to count (optional) decimal places. If the count parameter is omitted or zero, number rounds down to the nearest integer. If count is negative, the function rounds down to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 and so on. Number rounds toward zero.
ROUNDUP(number, count)	Rounds the given number up to count (optional) decimal places. If the count parameter is omitted or zero, number rounds up to the nearest integer. If count is negative, the function rounds up to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 and so on. Number rounds away from zero.
SEC(Angle)	Returns the secant of an Angle given in radians. $SEC(x)=1/COS(x)$.
SECH(Angle)	Returns the hyperbolic secant of an Angle given in radians. $SECH(x)=1/COSH(x)$.

Syntax	Description
SERIESSUM(X, N, M,	Returns the sum of a powers series.
Coefficients)	SERIESSUM(X, N, M, Coefficients) = coefficient_ $1*x^n + coefficient_2*x^(n+m) + coefficient_3*x^(n+2m) ++ coefficient_i*x^(n+(i-1)m).$
	X is the number as an independent variable. N is the starting power. M is the increment. Coefficients is a series of coefficients. For each coefficient the series sum is extended by one section. You can only enter coefficients using a cell range.
SIGN(Number)	Returns the sign of the given Number . The function returns the result 1 for a positive sign, –1 for a negative sign, and 0 for zero.
SIN(number)	Returns the sine of the given number (angle in radians).
SINH(number)	Returns the hyperbolic sine of the given number (angle in radians).
SQRT(number)	Returns the positive square root of the given number . The
	value of the number must be positive.
SQRTPI(Number)	Returns the square root of the product of the given Number and PI.
SUBTOTAL(Function, range)	Calculates subtotals. If a range already contains subtotals, these are not used for further calculations. Function is a value that stands for another function such as Average, Count, Min, Sum, Var. range is the range whose cells are included.
SUM(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Adds all the numbers in a range of cells. Number 1, number 2,, number 30 are up to 30 arguments whose sum is to be calculated. You can also enter a range using cell references.
SUMIF(range, criteria, sum_range)	Adds the cells specified by the given criteria. The search supports regular expressions. range is the range to which the criteria are to be applied. criteria is the cell in which the search criterion is shown, or the search criterion itself. sum_range (optional) is the range from which values are summed; if it has not been entered, the values found in the range are summed. If supplied, sum_range must be the same size and shape as range.
SUMIFS(sum_range, range 1, criteria 1, range 2, criteria 2,,)	Totals the values of cells in a range that meet multiple criteria in multiple ranges. sum_range (required) is the cell range from which the values are to be totaled. range 1 (required) is the cell range to be evaluated by criteria 1 (required), range 2 by criteria 2 and so on. All ranges must have the same size and shape.
SUMSQ(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Calculates the sum of the squares of numbers (totaling up of the squares of the arguments) number 1, number 2,, number 30 are up to 30 arguments, the sum of whose squares is to be calculated.
TAN(number)	Returns the tangent of the given number (angle in radians).
TANH(number)	Returns the hyperbolic tangent of the given number (angle in radians).

Syntax	Description
TRUNC(number, count)	Truncates a number by removing decimal places. number is the number whose decimal places are to be trimmed. count (optional) is the number of decimal places which are retained. If count is missing or zero, it effectively truncates to a decimal integer. If count is negative, it truncates to the left of the decimal point.

Financial analysis functions

A note about dates

Date values used as parameters for Calc's financial functions must comply with ISO8601 and be entered surrounded by double quotes. For example, a date representing August 6, 2004, must be entered "2004-08-06", single digits are padded with leading zeroes. If you do not enter the date values as required by the function, you will not get the correct results. Date formats are locale specific and will allow other formats to be used. Among others, the en_US locale allows "2004/08/06" and "08/06/2004" for example. Check the Help for the acceptable formatting.

A note about interest rates

You can enter interest rates in either of two ways:

As a decimal. To enter an interest rate as a decimal, divide it by 100 before entering it into a function. For example, to compute a loan with a 3.25% interest rate, enter .0325 into the function.

As a percentage. To enter an interest rate as a percentage, type in the interest rate followed by the % key. For example, to compute a loan with a 3.25% interest rate, enter 3.25% into the function.

If you enter it as 3.25, the function will treat it as a 325% interest rate.

Accounting systems vary in the number of days in a month or a year used in calculations. The following table gives the integers used for the **basis** parameter used in some of the financial analysis functions.

Table 34: Basis calculation types

Basis	Calculation
0 or missing	US method (NASD), 12 months of 30 days each.
1	Exact number of days in months, exact number of days in year.
2	Exact number of days in month, year has 360 days.
3	Exact number of days in month, year has 365 days.
4	European method, 12 months of 30 days each.

Table 35: Financial analysis functions

Syntax	Description
ACCRINT(Issue, First interest, Settlement, Rate, Par, Frequency, Basis)	Calculates the accrued interest of a security in the case of periodic payments. Issue is the issue date of the security. First interest is the first interest date of the security. Settlement is the maturity date. Rate is the annual nominal rate of interest (coupon interest rate). Par is the par value of the security. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
ACCRINTM(Issue, Settlement, Rate, Par, Basis)	Calculates the accrued interest of a security in the case of one-off payment at the settlement date. Issue is the issue date of the security. Settlement is the maturity date. Rate is the annual nominal rate of interest (coupon interest rate). Par is the par value of the security. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
AMORDEGRC(Cost, Date purchased, First period, Salvage, Period, Rate, Basis)	Calculates the amount of depreciation for a settlement period as degressive amortization. Unlike AMORLINC, a depreciation coefficient that is independent of the depreciable life is used here. Cost is the acquisition cost. Date purchased is the date of acquisition. First period is the end date of the first settlement period. Salvage is the salvage value of the capital asset at the end of the depreciable life. Period is the settlement period to be considered. Rate is the rate of depreciation. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
AMORLINC(Cost, Date purchased, First period, Salvage, Period, Rate, Basis)	Calculates the amount of depreciation for a settlement period as linear amortization. If the capital asset is purchased during the settlement period, the proportional amount of depreciation is considered. Cost is the acquisition cost. Date purchased is the date of acquisition. First period is the end date of the first settlement period. Salvage is the salvage value of the capital asset at the end of the depreciable life. Period is the settlement period to be considered. Rate is the rate of depreciation. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
COUPDAYBS(Settlement, Maturity, Frequency, Basis)	Returns the number of days from the first day of interest payment on a security until the settlement date. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
COUPDAYS(Settlement, Maturity, Frequency, Basis)	Returns the number of days in the current interest period in which the settlement date falls. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.

Syntax	Description
COUPDAYSNC(Settlement, Maturity, Frequency, Basis)	Returns the number of days from the settlement date until the next interest date. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
COUPNCD(Settlement, Maturity, Frequency, Basis)	Returns the date of the first interest date after the settlement date, and formats the result as a date. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
COUPNUM(Settlement, Maturity, Frequency, Basis)	Returns the number of coupons (interest payments) between the settlement date and the maturity date. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
COUPPCD(Settlement, Maturity, Frequency, Basis)	Returns the date of the interest date prior to the settlement date, and formats the result as a date. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
CUMIPMT(Rate, NPER, pv, S, E, Type)	Calculates the cumulative interest payments (the total interest) for an investment based on a constant interest rate. Rate is the periodic interest rate. NPER is the payment period with the total number of periods. NPER can also be a non-integer value. The Rate and NPER must refer to the same unit, and thus both must be calculated annually or monthly. pv is the current value in the sequence of payments. S is the first period. E is the last period. Type is the due date of the payment at the beginning (1) or end (0) of each period.
CUMIPMT_ADD(Rate, Nper, Pv, Start period, End period, Type)	Calculates the accumulated interest for a period. Rate is the interest rate for each period. Nper is the total number of payment periods. The Rate and Nper must refer to the same unit, and thus both must be calculated annually or monthly. Pv is the current value. Start period the first payment period for the calculation. End period the last payment period for the calculation. Type is the due date of the payment at the beginning (1) or end (0) of each period.
CUMPRINC(Rate, NPER, PV, S, E, Type)	Returns the cumulative interest paid for an investment period with a constant interest rate. Rate is the periodic interest rate. NPER is the payment period with the total number of periods. NPER can also be a non-integer value. The Rate and NPER must refer to the same unit, and thus both must be calculated annually or monthly. PV is the current value in the sequence of payments. S is the first period. E is the last period. Type is the due date of the payment at the beginning (1) or end (0) of each period.

Syntax	Description
CUMPRINC_ADD(Rate, Nper, Pv, Start period, End period, Type)	Calculates the cumulative redemption of a loan in a period. Rate is the interest rate for each period. Nper is the total number of payment periods. The Rate and Nper must refer to the same unit, and thus both must be calculated annually or monthly. Pv is the current value. Start period is the first payment period for the calculation. End period is the last payment period for the calculation. Type is the due date of the payment at the beginning (1) or end (0) of each period.
DB(Cost, Salvage, Life, Period, month)	Returns the depreciation of an asset for a specified period using the fixed-declining balance method. Cost is the initial cost of an asset. Salvage is the value of an asset at the end of the depreciation. Life defines the period over which an asset is depreciated. Period is the length of each period. The life must be entered in the same date unit as the depreciation period. month (optional) denotes the number of months for the first year of depreciation.
DDB(Cost, Salvage, Life, Period, Factor)	Returns the depreciation of an asset for a specified period using the arithmetic-declining method. Note that the book value will never reach zero under this calculation type. Cost fixes the initial cost of an asset. Salvage fixes the value of an asset at the end of its life. Life is the number of periods defining how long the asset is to be used. Period defines the length of the period. The period must be entered in the same time unit as the life. Factor (optional) is the factor by which depreciation decreases. If no value is entered, a value of 2 is assumed, making this double declining.
DISC(Settlement, Maturity, Price, Redemption, Basis)	Calculates the allowance (discount) of a security as a percentage. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Price is the price of the security per 100 currency units of par value. Redemption is the redemption value of the security per 100 currency units of par value. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
DOLLARDE(Fractional dollar, Fraction)	Converts a quotation that has been given as a decimal fraction into a decimal number. Fractional dollar is a number given as a decimal fraction. (In this number, the decimal value is the numerator of the fraction.) Fraction is a whole number that is used as the denominator of the decimal fraction.
DOLLARFR(Decimal dollar, Fraction)	Converts a quotation that has been given as a decimal number into a mixed decimal fraction. The decimal of the result is the numerator of the fraction that would have Fraction as the denominator. Decimal dollar is a decimal number. Fraction is a whole number that is used as the denominator of the decimal fraction.
DURATION(RATE, pv, FV)	Calculates the number of periods required by an investment to attain the desired value. RATE (a constant) is the interest rate to be calculated for the entire duration. Entering the interest rate divided by the periods per year, can calculate the interest after each period. pv is the present value. FV is the desired future value of the investment.

Syntax	Description
DURATION_ADD (Settlement, Maturity, Coupon, Yield, Frequency, Basis)	Calculates the duration of a fixed interest security in years. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Coupon is the annual coupon interest rate (nominal rate of interest). Yield is the annual yield of the security. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
EFFECT_ADD(Nominal rate, Npery)	Calculates the effective annual rate of interest on the basis of the nominal interest rate and the number of interest payments per annum. Nominal interest refers to the amount of interest due at the end of a calculation period. Nominal rate is the annual nominal rate of interest. Npery is the number of interest payments per year.
EFFECTIVE(NOM, P)	Calculates the effective annual rate of interest on the basis of the nominal interest rate and the number of interest payments per annum. Nominal interest refers to the amount of interest due at the end of a calculation period. NOM is the nominal interest. P is the number of interest payment periods per year.
FV(Rate, NPER, PMT, PV, Type)	Returns the future value of an investment based on periodic, constant payments and a constant interest rate. Rate is the periodic interest rate. NPER is the total number of periods. PMT is the annuity paid regularly per period. PV (optional) is the present cash value of an investment. Type (optional) defines whether the payment is due at the beginning (1) or the end (0) of a period.
FVSCHEDULE(Principal, Schedule)	Calculates the accumulated value of the starting capital for a series of periodically varying interest rates. Principal is the starting capital. Schedule is a series of interest rates. Schedule has to be entered with cell references, or with a list.
INTRATE(Settlement, Maturity, Investment, Redemption, Basis)	Calculates the annual interest rate that results when a security (or other item) is purchased at an investment value and sold at a redemption value with no interest being paid. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security is sold. Investment is the purchase price. Redemption is the selling price. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
IPMT(Rate, Period, NPER, pv, FV, Type)	Calculates the periodic amortization for an investment with regular payments and a constant interest rate. Rate is the periodic interest rate. Period is the period for which the compound interest is calculated. NPER is the total number of periods during which annuity is paid. Period=NPER , if compound interest for the last period is calculated. pv is the present cash value in sequence of payments. FV (optional) is the desired value (future value) at the end of the periods. Type (optional) defines whether the payment is due at the beginning (1) or the end (0) of a period.

Syntax	Description
IRR(Values, Guess)	Calculates the internal rate of return for an investment. The values represent cash flow values at regular intervals; at least one value must be negative (payments), and at least one value must be positive (income). Values is an array or cell range containing the values. Guess (optional) is the estimated value. If you can provide only a few values, you should provide an initial guess to enable the iteration.
ISPMT(rate, Period, total_periods, invest)	Calculates the level of interest for unchanged amortization installments. rate sets the periodic interest rate. Period is the number of installments for calculation of interest. total_periods is the total number of installment periods.
MDURATION(Settlement, Maturity, Coupon, Yield, Frequency, Basis)	invest is the amount of the investment. Calculates the modified Macauley duration for a security with an assumed par value of 100 currency units. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Coupon is the annual nominal rate of interest (coupon interest rate) Yield is the annual yield of the security. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
MIRR(Values, investment, reinvest_rate)	Calculates the modified internal rate of return of a series of investments. Values corresponds to the array or the cell reference for cells whose content corresponds to the payments. investment is the rate of interest of the investments (the negative values of the array) reinvest_rate is the rate of interest of the reinvestment (the positive values of the array).
NOMINAL(effect_rate, npery)	Calculates the yearly nominal interest rate, given the effective rate and the number of compounding periods per year. effect_rate is the effective interest rate. npery is the number of periodic interest payments per year. Returns a percentage.
NOMINAL_ADD(Effective_rate, Npery)	Calculates the yearly nominal rate of interest, given the effective rate and the number of compounding periods per year. Effective_rate is the effective annual rate of interest. Npery is the number of interest payments per year. Returns a number.
NPER(Rate, PMT, PV, FV, Type)	Returns the number of periods for an investment based on periodic, constant payments and a constant interest rate. Rate is the periodic interest rate. PMT is the constant annuity paid in each period. PV is the present value (cash value) in a sequence of payments. FV (optional) is the future value, which is reached at the end of the last period. If FV is omitted it is assumed to be zero. Type (optional) defines whether the payment is due at the beginning (1) or the end (0) of a period.
NPV(Rate, value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Returns the net present value of an investment based on a series of periodic cash flows and a discount rate. Rate is the discount rate for a period. value 1, value 2,, value 30 are values representing deposits or withdrawals.

Syntax	Description
ODDFPRICE(Settlement, Maturity, Issue, First coupon, Rate, Yield, Redemption, Frequency, Basis)	Calculates the price per 100 currency units par value of a security, having an odd (short or long) first period. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Issue is the date of issue of the security. First coupon is the first interest date of the security. Rate is the annual rate of interest. Yield is the annual yield of the security. Redemption is the redemption value per 100 currency units of par value. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
ODDFYIELD(Settlement, Maturity, Issue, First coupon, Rate, Price, Redemption, Frequency, Basis)	Calculates the yield of a security that has an odd (short or long) first period. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Issue is the date of issue of the security. First coupon is the first interest date of the security. Rate is the annual rate of interest. Price is the price of the security. Redemption is the redemption value per 100 currency units of par value. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis is chosen from a list of options and indicates how the year is to be calculated.
ODDLPRICE(Settlement, Maturity, Last interest, Rate, Yield, Redemption, Frequency, Basis)	Calculates the price per 100 currency units par value of a security, that has an odd (short or long) last period. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Last interest is the last interest date of the security. Rate is the annual rate of interest. Yield is the annual yield of the security. Redemption is the redemption value per 100 currency units of par value. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
ODDLYIELD(Settlement, Maturity, Last interest, Rate, Price, Redemption, Frequency, Basis)	Calculates the yield of a security that has an odd (short or long) last period. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Last interest is the last interest date of the security. Rate is the annual rate of interest. Price is the price of the security. Redemption is the redemption value per 100 currency units of par value. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
OPT_BARRIER(spot, vol, r, rf, T, strike, barrier_low, barrier_up, rebate, put/call, knock in/out, barrier_type, greek)	A function following the Black Scholes formula. It calculates the pricing of a barrier option. spot (required) is the price/value of the asset. vol (required) is the annual volatility of the asset. rebate (required) is the amount of money paid at maturity if the barrier was hit. put/call (required) is a string to define if the option is a (p)ut/ or a (c)all. knock (required) (i)n/(o)ut is a string to define if the option is of type knock-(i)n or knock-(o)ut. barrier_type (required) is a string to define whether the barrier is observed (c)ontinuosly or only at the (e)nd/maturity. greek is an optional parameter, which if left out causes the function to return the option price. If included, the function returns price sensitivities (Greeks) to one of the input parameters, such as "vega" for sensitivity to volatility.

Cumtau	Description
Syntax ODT DDOR HIT(spot val drift T	Description Petures the probability that an asset hits a barrier assuming it
OPT_PROB_HIT(spot, vol, drift, T, barrier_low, barrier_up)	Returns the probability that an asset hits a barrier assuming it follows $\frac{dS}{S}$ = μdt + vol dW spot is the price/value S of the underlying asset. vol is the
	annual volatility of the underlying asset. Vol is the annual volatility of the underlying asset. drift is the μ value of the formula. T is the time to maturity. barrier_low is the lower barrier and set to zero if there is no lower barrier. barrier_up is the upper barrier and is set to zero if there is no upper barrier. All parameters are required.
OPT_PROB_INMONEY(spot, vol, drift, T, barrier_low, barrier_up,	Returns the probability that an asset will at maturity end up between two barrier levels, assuming it follows
put/call, strike)	$\frac{dS}{S}$ = μdt + $vol\ dW$. (If the last two optional parameters,
	put/call and strike, are specified, the probability of S_T in [strike, upper barrier] for a call, and S_T in [lower barrier, strike] for a put will be returned). S_T is the spot at maturity and ignores the possibility of knock-out before maturity.
	spot (required) is the price/value of the asset. vol (required) is the annual volatility of the asset. drift (required) is the parameter μ from the formula above. T is the time to maturity in years. barrier_low (required) is the lower barrier and set to zero if there is no lower barrier. barrier_up (required) is the upper barrier and is set to zero if there is no upper barrier. put/call (optional) is the (p)ut/(c)all indicator. strike (optional) is the strike level.
OPT_TOUCH(spot, vol, r, rf, T, barrier_low, barrier_up, foreign/domestic, knock in/out,	Returns the pricing of a touch/no-touch option. spot (required) is the price/value of the asset. vol (required)
barrier_type, greek)	is the annual volatility of the asset. r (required) is the interest rate continuously compounded. rf (required) is the foreign interest rate continuously compounded. T (required) is the time to maturity entered in years. strike (required) is the strike level of the option. barrier_low (required) is the lower barrier and set to zero if there is no lower barrier. barrier_up (required) is the upper barrier and is set to zero if there is no upper barrier. foreign/domestic (required) is a string to define if the option pays one unit of (d)omestic currency (cash or nothing) or (f)oreign currency (asset or nothing). knock (required) (i)n/(o)ut is a string to define if the option is of type knock-(i)n (touch) or knock-(o)ut (no touch). barrier_type (required) is a string to define whether the barrier is observed (c)ontinuously or only at the (e)nd/maturity. greek is an optional parameter, which if left out causes the function to return the option price. If included, the function returns price sensitivities (Greeks) to one of the input parameters, such as "theta" for time sensitivity.

Suntay	Description
Syntax PMT(Rate, NPER, PV, FV, Type)	Returns the periodic payment for an annuity with constant interest rates. Rate is the periodic interest rate. NPER is the number of periods in which annuity is paid. PV is the present value (cash value) in a sequence of payments. FV (optional) is the desired value (future value) to be reached at the end of the periodic payments. Type (optional) defines whether the payment is due at the beginning (1) or the end (0) of a period.
PPMT(Rate, Period, NPER, PV, FV, Type)	Returns for a given period the payment on the principal for an investment that is based on periodic and constant payments and a constant interest rate. Rate is the periodic interest rate. Period is the amortization period. NPER is the total number of periods during which annuity is paid. PV is the present value in the sequence of payments. FV (optional) is the desired (future) value. Type (optional) defines whether the payment is due at the beginning (1) or the end (0) of a period.
PRICE(Settlement, Maturity, Rate, Yield, Redemption, Frequency, Basis)	Calculates the price per 100 currency units of par value of an interest-bearing security. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Rate is the annual nominal rate of interest (coupon interest rate). Yield is the annual yield of the security. Redemption is the redemption value per 100 currency units of par value. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
PRICEDISC(Settlement, Maturity, Discount, Redemption, Basis)	Calculates the price per 100 currency units of par value of a discounted security. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Discount is the discount of a security as a percentage. Redemption is the redemption value per 100 currency units of par value. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
PRICEMAT(Settlement, Maturity, Issue, Rate, Yield, Basis)	Calculates the price per 100 currency units of par value of a security, that pays interest on the maturity date. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Issue is the date of issue of the security. Rate is the interest rate of the security on the issue date. Yield is the annual yield of the security. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
PV(Rate, NPER, PMT, FV, Type)	Returns the present value of an investment resulting from a series of regular payments. Rate defines the interest rate per period. NPER is the total number of payment periods. PMT is the regular payment made per period. FV (optional) defines the future value remaining after the final installment has been made. Type (optional) defines whether the payment is due at the beginning (1) or the end (0) of a period.

Syntax	Description
RATE(NPER, PMT, PV, FV, Type, Guess)	Returns the constant interest rate per period of an annuity. NPER is the total number of periods, during which payments are made (payment period). PMT is the constant payment (annuity) paid during each period. PV is the cash value in the sequence of payments. FV (optional) is the future value, which is reached at the end of the periodic payments. Type (optional) defines whether the payment is due at the beginning (1) or the end (0) of a period. Guess (optional) determines the estimated value of the interest with iterative calculation.
RECEIVED(Settlement, Maturity, Investment, Discount, Basis)	Calculates the amount paid out at maturity for a fully invested security. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures. Investment is the purchase sum. Discount is the percentage discount on acquisition of the security. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
RRI(P, pv, FV)	Calculates the interest rate resulting from the profit (return) of an investment. P is the number of periods used for calculating the interest rate. pv is the present value (must be >0). FV is the final value of the security.
SLN(Cost, Salvage, Life)	Returns the straight-line depreciation of an asset for one period. The amount of the depreciation is constant during the depreciation period. Cost is the initial cost of an asset. Salvage is the value of an asset at the end of the depreciation. Life is the number of periods in the useful life of the asset.
SYD(Cost, Salvage, Life, Period)	Returns the arithmetically declining value of an asset (depreciation) for a specified period. It uses the Sum-of-Years'-Digits method. Cost is the initial cost of an asset. Salvage is the value of an asset after depreciation. Life is the period fixing the time span over which an asset is depreciated. Period defines the period for which the depreciation is to be calculated. Must use the same units as life .
TBILLEQ(Settlement, Maturity, Discount)	Calculates the bond equivalent yield for a treasury bill. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). The settlement and maturity date must be within a year of each other. Discount is the percentage discount on acquisition of the security. Calculated using the 360 days in a year basis (basis 2).
TBILLPRICE(Settlement, Maturity, Discount)	Calculates the price per 100 currency units face value of a treasury bill. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). The settlement and maturity date must be within a year of each other. Discount is the percentage discount upon acquisition of the security.

Syntax	Description
TBILLYIELD(Settlement, Maturity, Price)	Calculates the yield of a treasury bill. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). The settlement and maturity date must be within a year of each other. Price is the price (purchase price) of the treasury bill per 100 currency units of par value.
VDB(Cost, Salvage, Life, S, end, Factor, Type)	Returns the depreciation of an asset for a specified or partial period using a variable declining balance method. Cost is the initial value of an asset. Salvage is the value of an asset at the end of the depreciation. Life is the depreciation duration of the asset. S is the start period of the depreciation, entered in the same date unit as Life . end is the last period of the depreciation, entered in the same date unit as Life . Factor (optional) is the depreciation factor. If factor is omitted, a factor of two is assumed (the double-declining balance method). Type is an optional parameter. Type = 1 means a switch to linear depreciation. In Type = 0, no switch is made.
XIRR(Values, dDates, Guess)	Calculates the internal rate of return for a list of payments which take place on different dates. The calculation is based on a 365 days per year basis, ignoring leap years. If the payments take place at regular intervals, use the IRR function. Values and Dates are a series of payments and the series of associated date values entered as cell references. Values shall include at least one negative value and one positive value. Guess (optional) is a guess for the internal rate of return. If omitted, the value 10% is assumed.
XNPV(Rate, Values, Dates)	Calculates the capital value (net present value) for a list of payments which take place on different dates. The calculation is based on a 365 days per year basis, ignoring leap years. If the payments take place at regular intervals, use the NPV function. Rate is the internal rate of return for the payments. Values and Dates are a series of payments and the series of associated date values entered as cell references. The first value-date pair indicates the start of the payments, other dates can be in any order. Values shall include at least one negative value and one positive value.
YIELD(Settlement, Maturity, Rate, Price, Redemption, Frequency, Basis)	Calculates the yield of a security that pays periodic interest. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Rate is the annual rate of interest. Price is the price (purchase price) of the security per 100 currency units of par value. Redemption is the redemption value per 100 currency units of par value. Frequency is the number of interest payments per year (1, 2 or 4). Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.
YIELDDISC(Settlement, Maturity, Price, Redemption, Basis)	Calculates the annual yield of a non-interest-bearing security. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Price is the price (purchase price) of the security per 100 currency units of par value. Redemption is the redemption value per 100 currency units of par value. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.

Syntax	Description
YIELDMAT(Settlement, Maturity, Issue, Rate, Price, Basis)	Calculates the annual yield of a security, the interest of which is paid on the date of maturity. Settlement is the date of purchase of the security. Maturity is the date on which the security matures (expires). Issue is the date of issue of the security. Rate is the interest rate of the security on the issue date. Price is the price (purchase price) of the security per 100 currency units of par value. Basis indicates how the year is to be calculated.

Statistical analysis functions

Calc includes over 70 statistical functions which enable the evaluation of data from simple arithmetic calculations, such as averaging, to advanced distribution and probability computations. Several other statistics-based functions are available through the Add-ins which are noted at the end of this appendix.

Table 36: Statistical analysis functions

Syntax	Description
AVEDEV(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the average of the absolute deviations of data points from their mean. Displays the diffusion in a data set. number 1, number 2,, number 30 are values or ranges that represent a sample. Each number can also be replaced by a reference.
AVERAGE(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the average of the arguments. number 1, number 2, , number 30 are numerical values or ranges. Text is ignored.
AVERAGEA(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Returns the average of the arguments. The value of text is taken to be 0. value 1 , value 2 ,, value 30 are values or ranges.
AVERAGEIF(range, criteria, average_range)	Averages the arguments that meet the conditions. If the optional average_range is omitted, range, which is required, is the range of cells that will be averaged. criteria is a required value which determines which cells in range are averaged. If the optional average_range is used, it averages the values of cells of a range that is constructed using the top left cell of range and applying the dimensions, shape and size, of average_range. If no cell in range matches the criteria value, an Error is returned. If no numbers are in the range to be averaged, an Error is returned.
AVERAGEIFS(average_range, range 1, criteria 1, range 2, criteria 2,, range 30, criteria 30)	Averages the values of the cells in a range that meet multiple criteria in multiple ranges. average_range, range 1 and criteria 1 are required values. Averages the values of cells in average_range that meet the criteria 1 in range 1 and the criteria 2 in range 2, and so on. All ranges must have the same dimension and size, else an Error is returned. A logical AND is applied between each array result of each selection; a cell of average_range is evaluated only if the same position in each array is the result of a criteria match. If no numbers are in the result set to be averaged, an Error is returned.

Syntax	Description
B(trials, SP, T_1, T_2)	Returns the probability of a sample with binomial distribution. trials is the number of independent trials. SP is the probability of success on each trial. T_1 defines the lower limit for the number of trials. T_2 (optional) defines the upper limit for the number of trials.
BETADIST(number, alpha, beta, Start, End, Cumulative)	Returns the value of the probability density function or the cumulative distribution function for the beta distribution. number is the value between Start and End at which to evaluate the function. alpha is a parameter to the distribution. beta is a parameter to the distribution. Start (optional) is the lower bound for number. End (optional) is the upper bound for number. Cumulative (optional) can be 0 or False to calculate the probability density function. It can be any other value or True or omitted to calculate the cumulative distribution function.
BETAINV(number; alpha, beta, Start, End)	Returns the inverse of the cumulative beta probability density function. number is the value between Start and End at which to evaluate the function. alpha is a parameter to the distribution. beta is a parameter to the distribution. Start (optional) is the lower bound for number . End (optional) is the upper bound for number .
BINOMDIST(X, trials, SP, C)	Returns the individual term binomial distribution probability. X is the number of successes in a set of trials. trials is the number of independent trials. SP is the probability of success on each trial. C = 0 calculates the probability of a single event and C = 1 calculates the cumulative probability.
CHIDIST(Number, degrees_freedom)	Returns the probability value that a hypothesis will be confirmed from the indicated chi square. The probability determined by CHIDIST can also be determined by CHITEST. Number is the chi-square value of the random sample used to determine the error probability. degrees_freedom is the degrees of freedom of the experiment. This function is defined by the ODF as LEGACY.CHIDIST. Use CHISQDIST for possible greater accuracy.
CHIINV(number, degrees_freedom)	Returns the inverse of the one-tailed probability of the chi- squared distribution. number is the value of the error probability. degrees_freedom is the degrees of freedom of the experiment. This function is defined by the ODF as LEGACY.CHIINV. Use CHISQINV for possible greater accuracy.
CHISQDIST(Number, Degrees of Freedom, Cumulative)	Returns the value of the probability density function or the cumulative distribution function for the chi-square distribution. Number is the value at which you want to evaluate the distribution. Degrees of Freedom is the number of degrees of freedom. Cumulative (optional) is a logical value that determines the form of the function. If cumulative is TRUE, CHISQDIST returns the cumulative distribution function; if FALSE, it returns the probability density function. If omitted, it is assumed TRUE.

Syntax	Description
CHISQINV(Probability, Degrees of Freedom)	Returns the inverse of CHISQDIST(x, Degrees of Freedom, TRUE()). Probability is the probability value for which the inverse of the chi square distribution is to be calculated. Degrees of Freedom is the number of degrees of freedom.
CHITEST(Data_B, data_E)	Returns the chi-square distribution from a random distribution of two test series based on the chi-square test for independence. The probability determined by CHITEST can also be determined with CHIDIST, in which case the chi square of the random sample must then be passed as a parameter instead of the data row. Data_B is the array of the
	observations. data_E is the range of the expected values. This function is defined by the ODF as LEGACY.CHITEST.
CONFIDENCE(alpha, STDEV, size)	Returns the (1-alpha) confidence interval for a normal distribution. alpha is the level of the confidence interval. STDEV is the standard deviation for the total population. size is the size of the total population.
CORREL(Data_1, Data_2)	Returns the correlation coefficient between two data sets. Data_1 is the first data set. Data_2 is the second data set. Both arrays shall be the same size and shape. Any empty element or non-numeric value in an element will cause the corresponding element to be ignored.
COUNT(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Counts how many numbers are in the list of arguments. Text entries are ignored. value 1 , value 2 ,, value 30 are values or ranges which are to be counted.
COUNTA(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Counts how many values are in the list of arguments. Text entries are also counted, even when they contain an empty string of length 0. If an argument is an array or reference, empty cells within the array or reference are ignored. value 1, value 2,, value 30 are up to 30 arguments representing the values to be counted.
COVAR(Data_1, Data_2)	Returns the covariance of the product of paired deviations. Data_1 is the first data set. Data_2 is the second data set. Any empty element or non-numeric value in an element will cause the corresponding element to be ignored.
CRITBINOM(trials, SP, alpha)	Returns the smallest value for which the cumulative binomial distribution is less than or equal to a criterion value. trials is the total number of trials. SP is the probability of success for one trial. alpha is the threshold probability to be reached or exceeded.
DEVSQ(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the sum of squares of deviations based on a sample mean. number 1 , number 2 ,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges representing a sample.
EXPONDIST(Number; lambda, C)	Returns the value of the probability density function or the cumulative distribution function for the exponential distribution. Number is the value of the function. lambda is the parameter value. C is a logical value that determines the form of the function. C = 0 calculates the density function, and C = 1 calculates the distribution function.

Syntax	Description
FDIST(Number, degrees_freedom_1, degrees_freedom_2)	Calculates the values of an F probability distribution. Number is the value for which the F distribution is to be calculated. degrees_freedom_1 is the degrees of freedom in the numerator in the F distribution. degrees_freedom_2 is the degrees of freedom in the denominator in the F distribution. In the ODF specification this is named LEGACY.FDIST and a new FDIST has been defined which has yet to be implemented in Calc.
FINV(number, degrees_freedom_1, degrees_freedom_2)	Returns the inverse of the F probability distribution. number is the probability value for which the inverse F distribution is to be calculated. degrees_freedom_1 is the number of degrees of freedom in the numerator of the F distribution. degrees_freedom_2 is the number of degrees of freedom in the denominator of the F distribution. In the ODF specification this is named LEGACY.FINV and a new FINV has been defined which has yet to be implemented in Calc.
FISHER(Number)	Returns the Fisher transformation for the given Number . FISHER is a synonym for ATANH.
FISHERINV(Number)	Returns the inverse of the Fisher transformation for the given Number. FISHERINV is a synonym for TANH.
FORECAST(value, data_Y, data_X)	Extrapolates future values based on existing x and y values. value is the x value, for which the y value of the linear regression is to be returned. data_Y is the array or range of known Y-values. data_X is the array or range of known X-values. Does not work for exponential functions. Both arrays must be the same size and shape. A non-numeric value in an element causes the corresponding element to be ignored.
FTEST(data_1, data_2)	Returns the result of an F test. data_1 is the first record array. data_2 is the second record array.
GAMMA(Number)	Returns the value of the Gamma function. Number is the value for which the Gamma function is to be calculated.
GAMMADIST(Number, alpha, beta, Cumulative)	Returns the value of the probability density function or the cumulative distribution function for the Gamma distribution. Number is the value for which the Gamma distribution is to be calculated. alpha is the parameter Alpha of the Gamma distribution. beta is the parameter Beta of the Gamma distribution. Cumulative = 0 calculates the density function, and Cumulative = 1 calculates the distribution.
GAMMAINV(Number, alpha, beta)	Returns the inverse of the GAMMADIST(Number, alpha, beta, TRUE()). This function allows you to search for variables with different distribution. Number is the probability value for which the inverse Gamma distribution is to be calculated. alpha is the parameter Alpha of the Gamma distribution. beta is the parameter Beta of the Gamma distribution.
GAMMALN(Number)	Returns the natural logarithm of the Gamma function for the given Number .
GAUSS(Number)	Returns 0.5 less than the standard normal cumulative
	distribution for the given Number .

Syntax	Description
GEOMEAN(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the geometric mean of a sample. number 1, number 2,, number 30 are numerical arguments or ranges that represent the sample.
HARMEAN(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the harmonic mean of a data set. The harmonic mean is the reciprocal of the arithmetic mean of reciprocals. number 1, number 2,, number 30 are values or ranges for which you want to calculate the harmonic mean.
HYPGEOMDIST(X, n_sample, successes, n_population)	Returns the hypergeometric distribution. X is the number of successes achieved in the random sample. n_sample is the size of the random sample. successes is the number of successes in the total population. n_population is the size of the total population. This function does not fully comply with the ODF v1.2 specification, having no logical Cumulative parameter.
INTERCEPT(data_Y, data_X)	Calculates the y-value at which a line will intersect the y-axis by using known x-values and y-values. data_Y is the array of Y-values. data_X is the array of X-values Numbers or names, arrays or references containing numbers must be used here.
KURT(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the kurtosis of a data set (at least 4 values required). number 1, number 2,, number 30 are numerical arguments or ranges representing a random sample of distribution. Kurtosis characterizes the relative peakedness or flatness of a distribution compared with the normal distribution. Positive kurtosis indicates a relatively peaked distribution (compared to the normal distribution), while negative kurtosis indicates a relatively flat distribution.
LARGE(data, Rank_c)	Returns the Rank_c-th largest value in a data set. data is the cell range of data. Rank_c is the ranking of the value (2nd largest, 3rd largest, etc.) written as an integer.
LOGINV(number; mean, STDEV)	Returns the inverse of the lognormal distribution for the given number , a probability value. mean is the arithmetic mean of the standard logarithmic distribution. STDEV is the standard deviation of the standard logarithmic distribution.
LOGNORMDIST(Number, mean, STDEV, Cumulative)	Returns the value of the probability density function or the cumulative distribution function for the lognormal distribution with the mean and standard deviation given. Number , a probability value. mean is the mean value of the standard logarithmic distribution. STDEV is the standard deviation of the standard logarithmic distribution. Cumulative (optional) = 0 calculates the density function, Cumulative = 1 calculates the distribution.
MAX(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the maximum value in a list of arguments. number 1, number_2,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges. None-numbers are ignored.

Syntax	Description
MAXA(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Returns the maximum value in a list of arguments. Unlike MAX, text and logical values can be entered. Text is evaluated as 0, logical True is treated as 1 and logical False
	as 0. value 1, value 2,, value 30 are values or ranges.
MEDIAN(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the median of a set of numbers. number 1, number 2,, number 30 are values or ranges, which represent a sample. Each number can also be replaced by a reference. MEDIAN logically ranks the numbers (lowest to highest). If given an odd number of values, MEDIAN returns the middle value. If given an even number of values, MEDIAN returns the arithmetic average of the two middle values.
MIN(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the minimum value in a list of arguments. number 1 , number 2 ,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges.
MINA(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Returns the minimum value in a list of arguments. Text and logical values are evaluated. Text is evaluated as 0, logical True is treated as 1 and logical False as 0. value 1, value 2,, value 30 are values or ranges.
MODE(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the most common value in a data set. number 1 , number 2 ,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges. If several values have the same frequency, it returns the smallest value. An error occurs if a value does not appear more than once.
NEGBINOMDIST(X, R, SP)	Returns the negative binomial distribution. X is the value returned for unsuccessful tests. R is the value returned for successful tests. SP is the probability of the success of an attempt. NEGBINOMDIST returns the probability that there will be x failures before the r-th success, when the constant probability of a success is sp.
NORMDIST(Number, Mean, STDEV, C)	Returns the value of the probability density function or the cumulative distribution function for the normal distribution with the mean and standard deviation given. Number is the value for which the normal distribution is to be calculated. Mean is the mean value of the normal distribution. STDEV is the standard deviation of the normal distribution. C = 0 or FALSE it calculates the probability density function, and C = 1, TRUE or omitted, it calculates the cumulative distribution function.
NORMINV(number, mean, STDEV)	Returns the inverse of the normal distribution for the given probability value, number , in the distribution. mean is the mean value in the normal distribution. STDEV is the standard deviation of the normal distribution.
NORMSDIST(Number)	Returns the standard normal cumulative distribution for the given Number . This function is defined as LEGACY.NORMSDIST in the ODF v1.2 specification. This is exactly NORMDIST(x,0,1,TRUE()).

Syntax	Description
NORMSINV(number)	Returns the inverse of the standard normal distribution for the given probability value, number . number must be 0 < number < 1. This function is defined as LEGACY.NORMSINV in the ODF v1.2 specification.
PEARSON(Data_1, Data_2)	Returns the Pearson correlation coefficient, r , of two data sets. Data_1 is the array of the first data set. Data_2 is the array of the second data set. For an empty element or an element of type Text or Boolean in Data_1 the element at the corresponding position of Data_2 is ignored, and vice versa. Both arrays must be the same size and shape.
PERCENTILE(data, Alpha)	Returns the alpha-percentile of data values in an array. data is the array of data. Alpha is the percentile value between 0 and 1. If Alpha is not a multiple of 1/(n - 1), PERCENTILE interpolates to determine the value between two data points.
PERCENTRANK(data, value)	Returns the percentage rank (percentile) of the given value in
PERMUT(Count_1, Count_2)	a sample. data is the array of data in the sample. Returns the number of permutations for a given number of objects without repetition. Count_1 is the total number of objects. Count_2 is the number of objects in each permutation.
PERMUTATIONA(Count_1, Count_2)	Returns the number of permutations for a given number of objects (repetition allowed, meaning an object can combine with itself). Count_1 is the total number of objects. Count_2 is the number of objects in each permutation.
PHI(number)	Returns the values of the distribution function for a standard normal distribution for the given number . PHI(number) is a synonym for NORMDIST(number,0,1,FALSE()).
POISSON(Number, mean, Cumulative)	Returns the probability, or the cumulative distribution function for the Poisson distribution of Number . mean is the middle value of the Poisson distribution. Cumulative = 0 calculates the probability density function, and Cumulative = 1 calculates the distribution.
PROB(data, probability, Start, End)	Returns the probability that values in a range are between two limits. data is the array or range of data in the sample. probability is the array or range of the corresponding probabilities. Start is the start value of the interval whose probabilities are to be summed. End (optional) is the end value of the interval whose probabilities are to be summed. If this parameter is missing, then End = Start value is assumed.
QUARTILE(data, Type)	Returns the quartile of a data set. data is the array of data in the sample. Type is the number of the quartile to return. (0 = Min, 1 = 25%, 2 = 50% (Median), 3 = 75% and 4 = Max). Based on the statistical rank of the data points in data , QUARTILE returns the percentile value indicated by Type . The percentile is calculated as Type divided by 4. The same algorithm used in PERCENTILE is used here to interpolate between two data points.

Syntax	Description
RANK(value, Data, Type)	Returns the rank of the given value in a sample. Data is the array or range of data in the sample. Type (optional) is the ranking order, if omitted or 0 data is ranked in ascending order, if not 0 data is ranked in descending order.
RSQ(data_Y, data_X)	Returns the square of the Pearson product moment correlation coefficient based on the given values. data_Y is an array of data points. data_X is an array of data points. The arguments shall be either numbers or names, arrays, or references that contain numbers.
	If an array or reference argument contains Text, Logical values, or empty cells, those values are ignored; however, cells with the value zero are included. Both arrays must have the same size and shape.
SKEW(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Returns the skewness of a distribution. number 1, number 2, , number 30 are numerical values or ranges. There must be a minimum of three numbers.
SKEWP(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Calculates the skewness of a distribution using the population of a random variable. number 1 , number 2 ,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges. There must be a minimum of three numbers.
SLOPE(data_Y, data_X)	Returns the slope of the linear regression line. data_Y is the array or matrix of Y data. data_X is the array or matrix of X data. Both arrays must have the same size and shape. For an empty element or an element of type Text or Boolean in y the element at the corresponding position of x is ignored, and vice versa.
SMALL(data, Rank_c)	Returns the Rank_c-th smallest value in a data set. data is the cell range of data. Rank_c is the rank of the value (2nd smallest, 3rd smallest, etc.) written as an integer.
STANDARDIZE(Number, mean, STDEV)	Converts a random variable to a normalized value. Number is the value to be standardized. mean is the arithmetic mean of the distribution. STDEV is the standard deviation of the distribution.
STDEV(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Computes the sample standard deviation of a set of numbers. number 1, number 2,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges representing a sample based on an entire population.
STDEVA(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Calculates the standard deviation using a sample set of values, including values of type Text and Logical. value 1, value 2,, value 30 are values or ranges representing a sample derived from an entire population. Text has the value 0.
STDEVP(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Calculates the standard deviation using the population of a random variable, including values of type Text and Logical. number 1, number 2,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges representing a sample based on an entire population.

Syntax	Description
STDEVPA(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Calculates the standard deviation based on the entire population. value 1 , value 2 ,, value 30 are values or ranges representing a sample derived from an entire population. Text has the value 0. Logical FALSE is 0 and logical TRUE is 1.
STEYX(data_Y, data_X)	Returns the standard error of the predicted y value for each x in the regression. data_Y is the array or matrix of Y data. data_X is the array or matrix of X data. Both arrays must have the same size and shape and contain at least three numbers.
TDIST(Number, degrees_freedom, mode)	Returns the t-distribution for the given Number . degrees_freedom is the number of degrees of freedom for the t-distribution. mode = 1 returns the one-tailed test, mode = 2 returns the two-tailed test. This function is named LEGACY.TDIST in the ODF v1.2 specification.
TINV(number, degrees_freedom)	Returns the inverse of the t-distribution, for the given number associated with the two-tailed t-distribution. degrees_freedom is the number of degrees of freedom for the t-distribution.
TRIMMEAN(data, Alpha)	Returns the mean of a data set, ignoring a proportion of high and low values. data (required) is the array of data in the sample. Alpha (required) is the fractional number of data points to exclude from the calculation. For example, if Alpha = 0.2, 4 points are trimmed from a data set of 20 points (20 x 0.2): 2 from the top and 2 from the bottom of the set.
TTEST(data_1, data_2, mode, Type)	Returns the probability associated with a Student's t-Test. data_1 is the dependent array or range of data for the first record. data_2 is the dependent array or range of data for the second record. mode = 1 calculates the one-tailed distribution, mode = 2 the two- tailed distribution. Type of t-test to perform: paired (1), equal variance (homoscedastic) (2), or unequal variance (heteroscedastic) (3).
VAR(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Calculates the variance based on a sample. number 1 , number 2 ,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges representing a sample based on an entire population. Requires at least two numbers.
VARA(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Estimates a variance based on a sample. value 1, value 2,, value 30 are values or ranges representing a sample derived from an entire population. Text is evaluated as 0. Logical TRUE is evaluated as 1 and FALSE as 0.
VARP(number 1, number 2,, number 30)	Calculates a variance based on the entire population. number 1, number 2,, number 30 are numerical values or ranges representing an entire population.
VARPA(value 1, value 2,, value 30)	Calculates the variance based on the entire population. The value of text is 0. value 1 , value 2 ,, value 30 are values or ranges representing an entire population. Text is evaluated as 0. Logical TRUE is evaluated as 1 and FALSE as 0.

Syntax	Description
WEIBULL(Number, Alpha, beta, C)	Returns the values of the Weibull distribution at the given Number . Alpha is the alpha parameter of the Weibull distribution. beta is the beta parameter of the Weibull distribution. C indicates the type of function: C= 0 the probability density function is calculated, C=1 the cumulative distribution function is calculated.
ZTEST(data, mu, sigma)	Returns the two-tailed P value of a z test with standard distribution. data is the array of the data. mu is the value to be tested. sigma (optional) is the standard deviation of the total population. If this argument is missing, the standard deviation of the sample is processed.

Date and time functions

Use these functions for inserting, editing, and manipulating dates and times. LibreOffice handles and computes a date/time value as a number. When you assign the number format "Number" to a date or time value, it is displayed as a number. For example, 01/01/2000 12:00 PM, converts to 36526.5. This is just a matter of formatting; the actual value is always stored and manipulated as a number. To see the date or time displayed in a standard format, change the number format (date or time) accordingly.

To set the default date format used by Calc, go to **Tools > Options > LibreOffice Calc** > **Calculate.**

Caution

When entering dates, slashes or dashes used as date separators may be interpreted as arithmetic operators. To keep dates from being interpreted as parts of formulas, and thus returning erroneous results, always place them in quotation marks, for example, "12/08/52". See also A note about dates on page 392.

Table 37: Data and time functions

Syntax	Description
DATE(year, month, day)	Converts a date written as year, month, day to an internal serial number and displays it in the cell's formatting. year is an integer between 1583 and 9956 or 0 and 99. month is an integer between 1 and 12. day is an integer between 1 and 31.
DATEDIF(Start date, End date, Interval)	Returns the difference in years, months, or days of two date numbers, Start date and End date . Interval is entered as "y", "m" or "d", to return the value in years, months or days or as "ym", "md" or "yd" for months ignoring the years value; days ignoring the months and years values; or days ignoring the months and years values. Start date and End date must be entered using double quotes.
DATEVALUE(text)	Returns the date serial number for text in double quotes using the current locale. text is a valid date expression.
DAY(Number)	Returns the day, as an integer, of the given date value. Number is the date serial number (a negative date/time value can be entered) or a date value entered in double quotes.

Syntax	Description
DAYS(Date_2, Date_1)	Calculates the difference, in days, between two date values. Date_1 is the start date. Date_2 is the end date. If Date_2 is an earlier date than Date_1, the result is a negative number. Dates can be entered as numbers or text.
DAYS360(Date_1, Date_2, Type)	Returns the difference between two dates based on the 360 day year used in interest calculations. If Date_2 is earlier than Date_1 , the function will return a negative number. Type (optional) determines the type of difference calculation: the US method (0) or the European method (\neq 0). Dates can be entered as numbers or text.
DAYSINMONTH(Date)	Calculates the number of days in the month of the given Date . Date can be entered as a number or text.
DAYSINYEAR(Date)	Calculates the number of days in the year of the given Date . Date can be entered as a number or text.
EASTERSUNDAY(year)	Returns the date of Easter Sunday for the entered year . year is an integer between 1583 and 9956 or 0 and 99 (19xx or 20xx depending on the option set)
EDATE(Start date, Months)	Returns the serial number of the date a number of Months away from the given Start date . Only months are considered; days are not used for calculation. Months is the number of months before (negative) or after (positive) the start date. Start date may be entered as text or a number.
EOMONTH(Start date, Months)	Returns the serial number date of the last day of a month which falls Months away from the given Start date . Months is the number of months before (negative) or after (positive) the start date. Start date may be entered as text or a number.
HOUR(Number)	Returns the hour, as an integer, for the given time value. Number is a time value and can be either text or a number.
ISLEAPYEAR(Date)	Determines whether a given Date falls within a leap year. Returns either 1 (TRUE) or 0 (FALSE). Date must be a full date for text, a reference to a date value or a serial number.
MINUTE(Number)	Returns the minute, as an integer, for the given time value. Number is a time value.
MONTH(Number)	Returns the month, as an integer, for the given date value. Number is a time value.
MONTHS(Start date, End date, Type)	Calculates the difference, in months, between two date values. Start date is the start (earlier) date. End date is the end date. Type determines the type of calculation and is one of two possible values; 1 returns the difference between the calendar month values in the two dates, disregarding the day values; 0 returns the number of months that separate the dates taking into account the day values of the two dates. If End date is an earlier date than Start date , the result is a negative number.

Syntax	Description
NETWORKDAYS(Start date, End date, Holidays)	Returns the number of workdays between Start date and End date . Holidays can be deducted. Start date is the date from which the calculation is carried out. End date is the date up to which the calculation is carried out. If the start or end date is a workday, the day is included in the calculation. Holidays (optional) is a list of holidays. Enter a cell range in which the holidays are listed individually. Saturdays and Sundays are considered non-workdays.
NOW()	Returns the computer system date and time. The value is updated when your document recalculates. NOW() is a function without arguments.
SECOND(Number)	Returns the second, as an integer, for the given time value.
	Number is a time value.
TIME(hour, minute, second)	Returns the time value from values for hours, minutes and seconds. This function can be used to convert a time based on these three elements to a decimal time value. hour , minute and second must all be integers.
TIMEVALUE(text)	Returns the time serial number value from text enclosed by quotes in a time entry format. The value of the decimal number returned is the result of the date system used under LibreOffice to calculate date entries.
TODAY()	Returns the current computer system date. The value is updated when your document recalculates. TODAY() is a function without arguments.
WEEKDAY(Number, Type)	Returns the day of the week for the given Number (date value). The day is returned as an integer based on the type. Type determines the type of calculation: Type = 1 (assumed if Type is omitted), the weekdays are counted (1-7) starting from Sunday (Monday = 2); Type = 2, the weekdays are counted (1-7) starting from Monday (Monday = 1); Type = 3, the weekdays are counted (0-6) starting from Monday (Monday = 0).
WEEKNUM(Number, mode)	Calculates the number of the calendar week of the year for the given date Number . mode sets the start of the week and the calculation type: 1 = Sunday, any other value = Monday.
WEEKNUM_ADD(Date, Return type)	Calculates the calendar week of the year for a Date . Date is the date within the calendar week. Return type sets the start of the week and the calculation type: 1 = Sunday, 2 = Monday. This function returns the same results as the WEEKNUM function in Excel.
WEEKS(Start date, End date, Type)	Calculates the difference in weeks between two dates, Start date and End date . Type is one of two possible values, 0 (number of whole weeks in the interval) or 1 (returns the number of different weeks in which the two dates appear). This function uses the ISO weeknumber.
WEEKSINYEAR(Date)	Calculates the number of weeks in a year for a given Date . A week that spans two years is added to the year in which most days of that week occur (so any week containing four or more days in the calendar year of Date is counted).

Syntax	Description
WORKDAY(Start date, Days, Holidays)	Returns a date serial number which is a specified number of work days (Days) before or after an input date, Start date . Holidays (optional) is a list of holidays. Enter a cell range in which the holidays are listed individually. Work days exclude Saturdays and Sundays. This function does not fully implement the ODFv1.2 specification which allows you to set the non-work days.
YEAR(Number)	Returns the calendar year as an integer according to the internal calculation rules. Number is the date value in date serial number format or as a text date, for which the year is to be returned.
YEARFRAC(Start date, End date, Basis)	Extracts the number of years (including fractional part) between two date values, Start date and End date . Basis is a value either omitted or between 0 and 4, chosen from a list of options and indicates how the year is to be calculated (see Help files). If omitted it is evaluated as 0.
YEARS(Start date, End date, Type)	Calculates the difference in years between two dates: the Start date and the End date . Type calculates the type of difference. Possible values are 0 (interval) and 1 (in calendar years).

Logical functions

Use the logical functions to test values and produce results based on the result of the test. These functions are conditional and provide the ability to write longer formulas based on input or output.

Table 38: Logical functions

Syntax	Description
AND(Logical value 1, Logical value 2,, Logical value 30)	Returns TRUE if all arguments are TRUE. If any element is FALSE, this function returns the FALSE value. Logical value 1, Logical value 2,, Logical value 30 are conditions to be checked. All conditions can be either TRUE or FALSE. If a range is entered as a parameter, only logical values in the range are evaluated. The result is TRUE if the logical value in all cells within the cell range is TRUE.
	Bug 70632: Concerning range statement given in Help.
FALSE()	Set the logical value to FALSE. The FALSE() function does not require any arguments.
IF(Test; Then_value, Otherwise_value)	Specifies a logical test to be performed. Test is any value or expression that can be TRUE or FALSE. Then_value (optional) is the value that is returned if the logical test is TRUE. Otherwise_value (optional) is the value that is returned if the logical test is FALSE.
IFERROR(value, alternative value)	Evaluates value ; if it is not an error it returns the result for value , or else it returns the alternative value . If value evaluates to a logical value, then either 1 (for TRUE), or 0 (for FALSE) is returned.

Syntax	Description
IFNA(value, alternative value)	Evaluates value ; if it is not a #N/A error it returns the result for value , or else it returns the alternative value . If value evaluates to a logical value, then either 1 (for TRUE), or 0 (for FALSE) is returned.
NOT(Logical value)	Reverses the logical value. Logical value is the TRUE or FALSE value to be reversed.
OR(Logical value 1, Logical value 2,, Logical value 30)	Returns TRUE if at least one argument is TRUE. Returns the value FALSE if all the arguments have the logical value FALSE. Logical value 1, Logical value 2,, Logical value 30 are conditions to be checked. All conditions can be either TRUE or FALSE.
TRUE()	Sets the logical value to TRUE. The TRUE() function does not require any arguments.
XOR(Logical value 1, Logical value 2,, Logical value 30)	Computes the logical XOR of the parameters. If an even number of parameters is TRUE it returns FALSE, if an odd number of parameters is TRUE it returns TRUE.

Information functions

These functions provide information (or feedback) regarding the results of a test for a specific condition, or a test for the type of data or content a cell contains.

Table 39: Informational functions

Syntax	Description
CELL(info_type, Reference)	Returns information on a cell such as its address, formatting or contents of a cell based on the value of the info_type argument. info_type specifies the type of information to be returned and comes from a predefined list of arguments. See Help files for complete listing. info_type is not case sensitive, but it must be enclosed within quotes. Reference is the address of the cell to be examined. If Reference is a range, the cell reference moves to the top left of the range. If Reference is missing, Calc uses the position of the cell in which this formula is located.
CURRENT()	Calculates the current value of a formula at the actual position.
FORMULA(Reference)	Displays in the current location, the formula contained in a cell cell at Reference position. If no formula at Reference can be found, or if the presented argument is not a reference, returns the error value #N/A.
INFO(Text)	Returns information about the working environment. Text is a string constant entered in double quotes taken from a list of arguments. See the Help files for the listing.
ISBLANK(value)	Returns TRUE if the referenced cell is blank, else returns FALSE. If value is of type Number, Text, or Logical, return FALSE. If value is a reference to a cell, examine the cell; if it is blank (has no value), return TRUE, but if it has a value, return FALSE. A cell with the empty string is not considered blank.

Syntax	Description
ISERR(value)	Returns TRUE if the value refers to any error value except #N/A. You can use this function to control error values in certain cells. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. value is any value or expression in which a test is performed to determine whether an error value not equal to #N/A is present.
ISERROR(value)	The ISERROR tests if the cells contain general error values. ISERROR recognizes the #N/A error value. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. value is any value where a test is performed to determine whether it is an error value.
ISEVEN(value)	Returns TRUE if the given value is an even integer, or FALSE if the value is odd. If the value is not an integer, the function evaluates only the integer part of the value.
ISEVEN_ADD(Number)	Tests for even numbers. Returns TRUE (1) if the integer part of Number returns a whole number when divided by 2.
ISFORMULA(reference)	Returns TRUE if a cell is a formula cell. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. reference indicates the reference to a cell in which the test will be performed.
ISLOGICAL(value)	Returns TRUE if the cell contains a logical number format. The function is used in order to check for both TRUE and FALSE values in certain cells. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. value is the cell reference to be tested for logical number format.
ISNA(value)	Returns TRUE if value contains the #N/A (value not available) error value. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. value is the cell, value or expression to be tested.
ISNONTEXT(value)	Return TRUE if the parameter does not have type Text, else return FALSE. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. value is any value or expression where a test is performed to determine whether it is a text or numbers or a Boolean value. Empty cells are considered non-text and will return TRUE.
ISNUMBER(value)	Returns TRUE if value evaluates to a number. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. value is any expression to be tested to determine whether it is a number or text. TRUE (1) and FALSE (0) are evaluated as numbers.
ISODD(value)	Returns TRUE if value evaluates as an odd integer, else FALSE. value is truncated to an integer before evaluation. TRUE (1) and FALSE (0) are evaluated as numbers. Text returns an error. Zero is evaluated FALSE.
ISODD_ADD(Number)	Returns 1 if Number does not return a whole number when divided by 2, else 0. Number is the number to be tested. Does not return logical type TRUE/FALSE like ISODD; returns number.

Syntax	Description
ISREF(value)	Returns TRUE if value is of type reference (including a reference list), else return FALSE. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. It does not evaluate the content of the reference.
ISTEXT(value)	Returns TRUE if value is of type text, else FALSE. If an error occurs, the function returns a logical or numerical value. Value is a value, number, Boolean value, or error value to be tested. If value is a reference, the content of the reference is evaluated.
N(value)	Return the number of value . If value is a reference the reference content is evaluated. If value is a logical value, 1 is returned for TRUE, else 0. If value is an error it is returned. Text returns a 0.
NA()	Returns the error value #N/A.
TYPE(value)	Evaluates value and returns a number indicating its type. If an error occurs, the function returns the error. The numerical value from which the data type is determined is; 1 = number, 2 = text, 4 = Boolean value, 8 = formula, 16 = error value. If value references an empty cell, an error is returned. The results of a formula in a reference are not evaluated.

Database functions

This section deals with functions used with data organized as one row of data for one record. The *Database* category should not be confused with the Base database component in LibreOffice. A Calc database is simply a range of cells that comprises a block of related data where each row contains a separate record. There is no connection between a database in LibreOffice and the *Database* category in LibreOffice Calc.

The database functions use the following common arguments:

Database is a range of cells which define the database.

Database field specifies the column which the function operates on after the search criteria of the first parameter is applied and the data rows are selected. It is not related to the search criteria itself. The number 0 specifies the whole data range. To reference a column by using the column header name, place quotation marks around the header name.

Search criteria is a cell range containing the search criteria. Empty cells in the search criteria range will be ignored.

Note

All of the **search criteria** arguments for the database functions support regular expressions. For example, "all.*" can be entered to find the first location of "all" followed by any characters. To search for text that is also a regular expression, precede every character with a \ character. You can switch the automatic evaluation of regular expressions on and off in **Tools > Options > LibreOffice Calc > Calculate**.

Table 40: Database average

Syntax	Description
DAVERAGE(Database, Database field, Search	Returns the average of the values in a given database field from the records (rows) in a database that match the search criteria.
criteria)	Database field cannot be 0 or empty.
DCOUNT(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Counts the number of records (rows) in a database that match the search criteria and contain numerical values. Database field can be empty or 0.
DCOUNTA(Database, Database field, Search	Counts the number of rows (records) in a database that match the specified search criteria and contain numeric or alphanumeric
criteria)	values. Database field can be empty or 0.
DGET(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Returns the field value from a record in a database, which matches the search criteria. The search criteria must return a single value. In case of an error, the function returns either #VALUE! for no record or field values found, or Err502 for more than one cell in the search criteria.
DMAX(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Returns the maximum value of a field in a database (all records) that matches the specified Search criteria . The search supports regular expressions.
DMIN(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Returns the minimum value of a field in a database that matches the specified Search criteria . The search supports regular expressions.
DPRODUCT(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Multiplies all cells of a data range where the cell contents match the Search criteria . The search supports regular expressions.
DSTDEV(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Finds the sample standard deviation in a given field from the records (rows) in a database that match a search criteria.
DSTDEVP(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Finds the population standard deviation in a given field from the records (rows) in a database that match a search criteria.
DSUM(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Finds the sum of values in a given field from the records (rows) in a database that match a search criteria. The search supports regular expressions.
DVAR(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Finds the sample variance in a given field from the records (rows) in a database that match a search criteria.
DVARP(Database, Database field, Search criteria)	Finds the population variance in a given field from the records (rows) in a database that match a search criteria.

Array functions

When using the Function Wizard for Array functions, those returning an array result have the Array check-box automatically selected.

Table 41: Array functions

Syntax	Description
FREQUENCY(data, classes)	Categorizes values into intervals and counts the number of values in each interval. Returns the results as a vertical array containing one more result than the number of classes. data is the data that should be categorized and counted according to the given intervals. classes is the array containing the upper boundaries determining the intervals the values in data should be grouped by.
GROWTH(data_Y, data_X, new_data_X, Function_type)	Calculates predicted exponential growth by using existing data. data_Y is the Y data array. data_X (optional) is the X data array. new_data_X (optional) is the X data array, for which the values are to be calculated. If new_data_X is omitted it is assumed to be the same size as data_X. If both arrays are omitted, they are assumed to be the array {1,2,3,} that is the same size as the Y data array. Function_type is optional. If Function_type = 1 or omitted, functions in the form y = b*m^x are calculated, else y = m^x functions are calculated.
LINEST(data_Y, data_X, Linear_type, stats)	Returns the parameters of the (simple or multiple) linear regression equation for the given data and, optionally, statistics on this regression. The equation for the line is $y = mx + c$, or $y = m1x1 + m2x2 + + c$ for multiple ranges of x-values, where the dependent y-values are a function of the independent x-values. The m-values are coefficients corresponding to each x-value, and c is a constant value. data_Y is a single row or column range specifying the y coordinates in a set of data points. data_X (optional) is a corresponding single row or column range specifying the x coordinates. If data_X is omitted it defaults to {1,2,3,, n}. If there is more than one set of variables data_X may be a range with corresponding multiple rows or columns. Linear_type (optional): if FALSE the straight line found is forced to pass through the origin (the constant c is zero; y = mx). If omitted, Linear_type defaults to TRUE (the line is not forced through the origin). stats (optional): If stats = 0, only the regression coefficient is calculated. Otherwise, other statistics will be returned, see the Help file for full information.
LOGEST(data_Y, data_X, Function_type, stats)	Calculates the adjustment of the entered data as an exponential regression curve (y=b*m^x). data_Y is the Y Data array. data_X (optional) is the X data array. Function_type (optional): If Function_type = 0, functions in the form y = m^x are calculated. Otherwise, y = b*m^x functions are calculated. stats (optional). If stats = 0, only the regression coefficient is calculated; if stats = 1 other statistics will be returned, see the Help file for full information.
MDETERM(array)	Returns the determinant of a square array. This function returns a value in the current cell; it is not necessary to define a range for the results. array is an array in which the determinants are defined. The Array check-box is not automatically selected.

Syntax	Description
MINVERSE(array)	Returns the inverse array. array is a square array that is to be inverted.
MMULT(array, array)	Calculates the array product of two arrays. The number of columns for array 1 must equal the number of rows for array 2. array at first place is the first array used in the array product. array at second place is the second array with the same number of rows as the first array has columns.
	Bug 71128: Same name for two variables.
MUNIT(Dimensions)	Returns the unitary square array of a certain size. The unitary array is a square array where the main diagonal (top left to bottom right) elements are set to 1 and all other array elements are set to 0. Dimensions refers to the column and row size of the array.
SUMPRODUCT(Array 1, Array 2,, Array 30)	Multiplies corresponding elements in the given arrays, and returns the sum of those products. Array 1, Array 2,, Array 30 are arrays whose corresponding elements are to be multiplied. At least one array must be part of the argument list. If only one array is given, the array elements are summed. Arrays must have the same size and shape. Non numeric elements are treated as 0. The Array check-box is not automatically selected.
SUMX2MY2(array_x, array_y)	Returns the sum of the difference of the squares of corresponding values in two arrays. array_x is the first array whose elements are to be squared and added. array_y is the second array whose elements are to be squared and subtracted. Arrays must have the same size and shape. The Array check-box is not automatically selected.
SUMX2PY2(array_x, array_y)	Returns the sum of the sum of the squares of the individual values in each array. array_x is the first array whose arguments are to be squared and summed. array_y is the second array, whose arguments are to be squared and summed and then summed with the result from the first array. Arrays must have the same size and shape. The Array check-box is not automatically selected.
SUMXMY2(array_x, array_y)	Adds the squares of the difference between corresponding values in two arrays. array_x is the first array from whose elements the corresponding elements of array_y are to be subtracted. The results of each subtraction are summed and the results squared. Arrays must have the same size and shape. The Array check-box is not automatically selected.
TRANSPOSE(array)	Transposes the rows and columns of an array. array is the array in the spreadsheet that is to be transposed.
TREND(data_Y, data_X, new_data_X, Linear_type)	Returns values along a linear trend. data_Y is the Y data array. data_X (optional) is the X data array. new_data_X (optional) is the array of the X data, which are used for recalculating values. If new_data_X is omitted it is assumed to be the same size as data_X. If both arrays are omitted, they are assumed to be the array {1,2,3,} that is the same size as the Y data array. Linear_type is optional. If Linear_type = 1 or omitted, functions in the form y = mx + c are calculated, else y = mx functions are calculated.

Spreadsheet functions

Use spreadsheet functions to search and address cell ranges and provide feedback regarding the contents of a cell or range of cells. You can use functions such as HYPERLINK() and DDE() to connect to other documents or data sources.

Table 42: Spreadsheet functions

Syntax	Description
ADDRESS(row, column, ABS, A1, sheet)	Returns a cell address (reference) as text, according to the specified row and column numbers. Optionally, whether the address is interpreted as an absolute address (for example, \$A\$1) or as a relative address (as A1) or in a mixed form (A\$1 or \$A1) can be determined. The name of the sheet can also be specified. row (required) is the row number for the cell reference. column (required) is the column number for the cell reference (the number, not the letter). ABS (optional) determines the type of reference and is a value between 1 and 4. See the Help files for explanation of list numbers. Optional A1 if set to 0 uses the R1C1 notation, else it uses the A1 notation. Optional shee is the name of the sheet entered in double quotes. If using R1C1 notation, ADDRESS returns address strings using the exclamation mark '!' as the sheet name separator. The function still uses the dot '.' sheet name separator with A1 notation.
	When opening documents from ODF 1.0/1.1 format, the ADDRESS functions that show a sheet name as the fourth parameter will shift that sheet name to become the fifth parameter. A new fourth parameter with the value 1 will be inserted. When saving a document in ODF 1.0/1.1 format, if the ADDRESS function has a fourth parameter, that parameter
	will be removed. A spreadsheet should not be saved in the old ODF 1.0/1.1 format if A1 is set to 0.
AREAS(reference)	Returns the number of individual ranges that belong to a multiple range. A range can consist of contiguous cells or a single cell. reference is a reference list of the ranges. The function expects a single argument. Multiple ranges can be entered using the tilde (~) (Union) operator or a semicolon (;) as the divider, but the semicolon gets automatically converted to the tilde operator after the function is entered into the spreadsheet. If you state multiple ranges and you use the semicolon separator, you must enclose them in additional parentheses. The tilde is the union range operator. See Chapter 7 for range operators.
	Multiple ranges can be entered into the reference input box in two ways. Firstly they can be be typed directly into the argument's input box, noting the parentheses constraint mentioned above for the semicolon. Secondly, by clicking the Shrink button to the right of the input box and then clicking and dragging in the sheet to select cell ranges. Add the range operator between selections. Note the parentheses constraint above for use of the semicolon. Bug 71225 concerning problems inputting data.

Syntax	Description
CHOOSE(Index, value1,, value30)	Returns a value from a list of up to 30 values. Index is a reference or number between 1 and 30 indicating which value is to be taken from the list. value1 ,, value30 is the list of values entered as any number type, reference, or formula expression. Only the selected value from the list is evaluated, any other formulas in the list are not checked for validity.
COLUMN(reference)	Returns the column number of a reference . If the reference is a single cell, the column number of the cell is returned; if the parameter is a cell range containing more than one column, the corresponding column numbers are returned in a single-row array, if the formula is entered as an array formula. If the cell range is not entered as an array formula, only the column number of the first cell within the range is determined. If no reference is entered, the column number of the cell in which the formula is entered is returned as Calc automatically sets the reference to the current cell.
COLUMNS(array)	Returns the number of columns in the given reference. array is the reference to a cell range whose total number of columns is to be found. The argument can also be a single cell.
DDE(server, File, range, mode)	Dynamic Data Exchange. Returns the result of a DDE request. If the contents of the linked range or section changes, the returned value will also change. The spreadsheet can be reloaded, or Edit > Links selected, to see the updated links. Cross-platform links, for example from an LibreOffice installation running on a Windows machine to a document created on a Linux machine, are not supported. server is the name of a server application. LibreOffice applications have the server name "Soffice". File is the complete file name, including path. range is the area containing the data to be evaluated. mode is an optional parameter that controls the method by which the DDE server converts its data into numbers. See the Help files for information on choices. An earlier bug that caused this function to crash LibreOffice has been fixed in v4.1.4 and later releases.
ERRORTYPE(reference)	Evaluates the cell value at reference location. If the cell contains an error then a logical or numerical value is returned else it returns #N/A. The numerical value is the error number (see Help for full listing). For a cell containing the #N/A error, a value of 32767 is returned.

Syntax	Description
GETPIVOTDATA(Data Field, Pivot Table, Field Name/Item1, Field Name/Item2,, Field Name/Item30)	The GETPIVOTDATA function returns a calculated result value from a pivot table. The value is addressed using field and item names, so it remains valid if the layout of the pivot table changes. Two different syntax definitions can be used: the syntax
This is the syntax used in the	shown on the left and
Function Wizard.	GETPIVOTDATA(Pivot Table, Constraints)
	For syntax 1, Data Field is a string that selects one of the pivot table's data fields. The string can be the name of the source column, or the data field name as shown in the table (like "Sum – Sales"). Pivot Table is a reference to a cell or cell range that is positioned within a pivot table or contains a pivot table. If the cell range contains several pivot tables, the table that was created last is used. If no Field Name /ItemX pairs are given, the grand total is returned. Otherwise, each pair adds a constraint that the result must satisfy. Field Name is the name of a field from the pivot table. ItemX is the name of an item from that field. A maximum of 30 Field Name/ItemX pairs can be entered. The second syntax is assumed if exactly two parameters are given, Pivot Table has the same meaning as in the first syntax. Constraints is a space-separated list. Entries can be quoted (single quotes). The whole string must be enclosed in quotes (double quotes), unless you reference the string from another cell. See the Help file for detailed information. In some versions of LibreOffice, the second syntax
	variation returns a #REF error. See Bug 71234.
HLOOKUP(search_criteria, array, Index, sorted)	Searches for a value given in search_criteria in the first row of the given array , and returns the value from the row given in Index for the column in which the search item was found. If sorted is 0 or FALSE the first row of array need not be sorted, else the first row of array must be sorted in alpha-numerical and logical order. The search supports regular expressions.
HYPERLINK(URL, CellText)	When the text in a cell that contains the HYPERLINK function is Ctrl-clicked (the cursor becomes a pointing hand when correctly positioned), the hyperlink opens. URL specifies the link target. The optional CellText argument is the text displayed in the cell. If either argument is a text string, it must be entered in double quotes. If the CellText parameter is not specified, the URL text is displayed.

Syntax	Description
INDEX(reference, row, column, range)	Given a reference , returns the value at the given row and column intersection (starting numbering at 1, relative to the top left of the reference) of the given area range . If range is not given, it is assumed to be 1 (the first and possibly only area).
	If row is omitted or empty or 0, an entire column of the given area range in reference is returned. If column is omitted or empty or 0, an entire row of the given area range in reference is returned. If both, row and column , are omitted or empty or 0, the entire given area range is returned.
	If reference is a one-dimensional column vector, column is optional or can be omitted. If reference is a one-dimensional row vector, row is optional, which effectively makes row act as the column offset into the vector, or can be omitted.
	If row or column have a value greater than the dimension of the corresponding given area range , an Error is returned.
	The Array checkbox must be selected in this function
	unless row and column are both included. Bug 71325: Returns #VALUE error when optional arguments are omitted.
INDIRECT(ref, A1)	Returns a reference given a string representation of a reference as ref . This function can also be used to return the area of a corresponding string. ref is a reference to a cell or an area (in text form) from which to return the contents. Unless ref refers to a cell containing a reference, ref must be entered in double quotes. A1 (optional) - if set to 0, the R1C1 notation is used. If this parameter is absent or set to another value than 0, the A1 notation is used.
LOOKUP(Search criterion, Search vector, result_vector)	Returns the contents of a cell either from a one-row or one-column range or from an array. Optionally, the assigned value (of the same index) is returned in a different column and row. As opposed to VLOOKUP and HLOOKUP, search and result vectors may be at different positions; they do not have to be adjacent. Additionally, the search vector for the LOOKUP must be sorted ascending, otherwise the search will not return any usable results. The search supports regular expressions. Search criterion is the value to be searched for; entered either directly or as a reference. Search vector is the single-row or single-column area to be searched. result_vector is another single-row or single-column range from which the result of the function is taken. The result is the cell of the result vector with the same index as the instance found in the search vector. When given two parameters, Search vector is first examined: If Search vector is square or is taller than it is wide (more rows than columns), LOOKUP searches in the first column (similar to VLOOKUP), and returns the corresponding value in the last column. If Search vector covers an area that is wider than it is tall (more columns).

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	Bug 71589: This fails if an alphabetic character is used for the search criterion.
MATCH(Search criterion, lookup_array, Type)	Returns the relative position of an item in an array that matches a specified value. The function returns the position of the value found in lookup_array as a number. Search criterion is the value which is to be searched for. lookup_array is the vector to be searched. A lookup array can be a single row or column, or part of a single row or
	column. Type may take the values 1, 0, -1 or be omitted.
	If Type is value 1 or omitted, lookup_array must be sorted ascending and the function finds the largest value that is
	less than or equal to Search criterion .
	If Type is of value 0 the function finds the largest value that is less than or equal to Search criterion . Values in
	lookup_array do not need to be sorted. If Type is of value -1, the function returns the smallest value that is greater than or equal to Search criterion in a lookup_array where values are sorted in descending order. The search supports regular expressions.
OFFSET(reference, rows, columns, height, width)	Returns the value of a cell offset by a certain number of rows and columns from a given reference point. reference is the cell from which the function searches for the new reference. rows is the number of cells by which the reference was corrected up (negative value) or down. columns is the number of columns by which the reference was corrected to the left (negative value) or to the right. height is the optional vertical height for an area that starts at the new reference position. width is the optional horizontal width for an area that starts at the new reference position.
ROW(reference)	Returns the row number of a cell reference. If the reference is a cell, it returns the row number of the cell. If the reference is a cell range, it returns the corresponding row numbers in a one-column array if the formula is entered as an array formula. If the ROW function with a range reference is not used in an array formula, only the row number of the first range cell will be returned. reference is a cell, an area, or the name of an area. If a reference is not indicated, Calc automatically sets the reference to the current cell.
ROWS(array)	Returns the number of rows in a reference or array. array is the reference or named area whose total number of rows is to be determined.
SHEET(reference)	Returns the sheet number of a reference or a string representing a sheet name. If no parameters are entered, the result is the sheet number of the spreadsheet containing the formula. reference (optional) is the reference to a cell, an area, or a sheet name string.

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SHEETS(reference)	Determines the number of sheets in a reference. If no parameters are entered, the result is the number of sheets in the current document. reference (optional) is the reference to a sheet or an area.
STYLE(Style, Time, Style2)	Applies a style Style to the cell containing the formula for a length of time Time , after which the final style Style2 is applied. Styles are listed (and may be created) in the Format > Styles and Formatting (F11) menu and are text entries entered in double quotes. The initial style is applied for Time seconds after the cell itself is recalculated. Please note that a manual recalculation (F9 key or Tools > Cell Contents >
	Recalculate) will not trigger the initial style. Time and Style2 may together be omitted; Style is then applied permanently. This function always returns the value of allowing it to be
	This function always returns the value 0, allowing it to be added to another function without changing the value.
VLOOKUP(Search criterion, array, Index, sort order)	Searches the first column of an array for the value given by Search criterion and if found returns the cell value at the intersection of the row in which it is found and the column index given by Index . The search supports regular expressions. Search criterion is the value searched for in the first column of the array. If text, it must be entered in double quotes. array is the reference, which must include at least two columns. Index is the number of the column in the array that contains the value to be returned. The first column has the number 1. If the sort order parameter is omitted or set to TRUE or not 0, it is assumed that the data is sorted in ascending order. If the exact Search criterion is not found, the last value that is smaller than the criterion will be returned. If the sort order parameter is set to FALSE or zero, an exact match must be found, otherwise the error Error: Value Not Available will be the result. Thus with a value of zero the data does not need to be sorted in ascending order.

Text functions

Use Calc's text functions to search and manipulate text strings or character codes. *Table 43: Text functions*

Syntax	Description
ARABIC(Text)	Calculates the value of a Roman numeral. The value range must be between 0 and 3999 ("MMMIM"). Text is the text that represents a Roman numeral. It is not case sensitive and is entered in double quotes.
ASC(text)	The ASC function converts full-width to half-width ASCII and katakana characters. Returns a text string. text is the text that contains characters to be converted.

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BAHTTEXT(Number)	Converts a number to Thai text, including the Thai currency names. Number is any number. "Baht" is appended to the integral part of the number, and "Satang" is appended to the decimal part of the number.
BASE(number, radix, Minimum length)	Converts a positive integer to a specified base then into text using the characters from the base's numbering system (decimal, binary, hexadecimal, etc.). Only the digits 0-9 and the letters A-Z are used. number is the positive integer to be converted. radix is the base of the number system. It may be any positive integer between 2 and 36. Minimum length (optional) is the minimum length of the character sequence that has been created. If the text is shorter than the indicated minimum length, zeros are added to the left of the string.
CHAR(number)	Converts a number into a character according to the current code table. The number can be a two-digit or three-digit integer number. number is a number between 1 and 255 representing the code value for the character.
CLEAN(text)	Removes all non-printing characters from the string entered into text. Text is entered using double quotes.
CODE(text)	Returns a numeric code for the first character in a text string. text is the text for which the code of the first character is to be found and is entered in double quotes.
CONCATENATE(text 1, text 2,	Combines several text strings into one string. text 1, text 2,,
, text 30)	text 30 are text passages that are to be combined into one string.
DECIMAL(text, radix)	Converts text with characters from a number system to a positive integer in the decimal system. The radix value defines the number system to which the text belongs. Any characters not in the number system defined are ignored. text is the text to be converted and must be entered using double quotes. The text field is not case-sensitive. radix is the base of the number system from which the conversion is to take place. It may be any positive integer between 2 and 36.
DOLLAR(value, decimals)	Converts a number to text in the locale currency format, rounded to a specified decimal place. value is the number to be converted; it can be a number, a reference to a cell containing a number, or a formula which returns a number. decimals (optional) is the number of decimal places to be used. If no decimals value is specified, all numbers in currency format will be displayed with two decimal places. The currency format is set in the system settings.
EXACT(text_1, text_2)	Compares two text strings and returns TRUE if they are identical. This function is case-sensitive. text_1 is the first text to compare. text_2 is the second text to compare. Both arguments if entered directly must be in double quotes.

Syntax	Description
FIND(find_text, text, position)	Looks for a string of text within another string and returns the position in the searched text where the searched-for text begins. Where to begin the search can also be defined. The search term can be a number or any string of characters. The search is case-sensitive. find_text is the text to be found. text is the text which is being searched. position (optional) is the position in the text from which the search starts. Text must be entered in double quotes.
FIXED(number, Decimals, No thousands separator)	Returns a number, displayed as text, with a fixed number of decimal places and with or without a thousands separator. This function can be used to apply a uniform format to a column of numbers. number is the number to be formatted. Decimals is the number of decimal places to be displayed. If Decimals is negative, the number is rounded to ABS(number) Decimals places to the left from the decimal point. No thousands separator (optional) determines whether the thousands separator is used or not. If the parameter is equal to 0 or omitted, the thousands separators of the current locale setting are displayed, else the separators are suppressed.
JIS(text)	The JIS function converts half-width to full-width ASCII and katakana characters. Returns a text string. text is the text that contains characters to be converted. This is the complementary function to ASC.
LEFT(text, number)	Returns the number of characters from the left of a text string text determined by number . If this parameter is omitted, one character is returned. If number is greater than the length of the string, the whole string is returned.
LEN(text)	Returns the length of a string including spaces. text is the text whose length is to be determined.
LOWER(text)	Converts all uppercase letters in a text string to lowercase. text is the text to be converted.
MID(text, start, number)	Returns a text segment of a character string. The parameters specify the starting position and the number of characters to return. text is the text containing the characters from which to extract. start is the position marking the beginning of the text to extract. number is the number of characters from that point on to be returned. If number is greater than LEN(text) minus start , then the text from start to the end of text is returned.
NUMBERVALUE(text, decimal_separator, group_separator)	Convert text to number, in a locale-independent way. Converts given text value text into a number. If text is a reference, it is first dereferenced. decimal_separator and group_separator are optional parameters. If text contains a separator, then that separator must be entered into the relevant optional parameter. All parameters are entered in double quotes. Text is transformed according to the following rules: 1) Starting from the beginning, remove all occurrences of the group_separator before any decimal_separator . 2) Starting from the beginning, replace the first occurrence in the text of the decimal_separator character with the FULL STOP (U+002E) character.

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	 3) Remove all whitespace characters (5.14). 4) If the first character of the resulting string is a period FULL STOP (U+002E) then prepend a zero. 5) If the string ends in one or more instances of PERCENT SIGN (U+0025), remove the percent sign(s). If percent signs were removed in step 5, divide the value of the returned number by 100 for each percent sign removed.
PROPER(text)	Capitalizes the first letter in all words of a text string. text is the text to be converted.
REPLACE(Text, position, length, new text)	Replaces part of a text string with a different text string. This function can be used to replace both characters and numbers (which are automatically converted to text). The result of the function is always displayed as text. To perform further calculations with a number which has been replaced by text, convert it back to a number using the VALUE function. Any text containing numbers must be enclosed in quotation marks so it is not interpreted as a number and automatically converted to text. Text is text, a part of which will be replaced. position is the position within the text where the replacement will begin. length is the number of characters in text to be replaced. new text is the text which replaces text
REPT(text, number)	Repeats a character string by the given number of copies. text is the text to be repeated. number is the number of repetitions. The result can be a maximum of 255 characters.
RIGHT(text, number)	Returns the right-most number of characters of a text string. If optional number is omitted, 1 is assumed and the right-most character is returned. If number is greater than the length of text , the whole text is returned.
ROMAN(Number, Mode)	Converts a number into a Roman numeral. The value range must be between 0 and 3999; the modes can be integers from 0 to 4. Number is the number that is to be converted into a Roman numeral. Mode (optional) indicates the degree of simplification. The higher the value, the greater is the simplification of the Roman numeral.
ROT13(Text)	Encrypts a character string by moving the characters 13 positions in the alphabet. After the letter Z, the alphabet begins again (Rotation). Entering text encrypted by this method, into the function decrypts the text. Text is the character string to be encrypted/decrypted.
SEARCH(find_text, text, position)	Returns the start position of a text string within a larger string. The start position for the search can be set as an option. The search text can be a number or any sequence of characters. The search is not case-sensitive. The search supports regular expressions. find_text is the text to be searched for. text is the text where the search will take place. position (optional) is the position in the text where the search is to start.

Syntax	Description
SUBSTITUTE(text, search_text, new text, occurrence)	Substitutes new text for old text in a string. text is the text in which text segments are to be exchanged. search_text is the text segment that is to be replaced (a number of times). new text is the text that is to replace the text segment. occurrence (optional) indicates how many occurrences of the search text are to be replaced. If this parameter is missing, the search text is replaced throughout.
T(value)	Returns value if text, else returns a blank text string. value is the value to be evaluated. A reference can be used as a parameter. If the dereferenced value is not of type text, the result will be an empty string.
TEXT(number, Format)	Converts a number into text according to a given format. number is the numerical value to be converted. Format is the text which defines the format and can be found on the <i>Numbers tab</i> in the <i>Format Cells</i> dialog. Use decimal and thousands separators according to the language set in the cell format.
TRIM(text)	Returns a text string from which leading and trailing spaces have been removed, and replaces all internal multiple spaces with a single space. text is the text from which spaces are to be removed.
UNICHAR(number)	Returns the character represented by the given number according to the [UNICODE] Standard. number is a decimal integer value between 0 and 1114111.
UNICODE(text)	Returns the [UNICODE] code point corresponding to the first character of the text value. text is a string from which the code number is returned.
UPPER(text)	Converts the string specified in the text parameter to uppercase characters.
VALUE(text)	Converts a text string into a number. text is the text to be converted to a number.

Add-in functions

Table 44: Add-in functions

Syntax	Description
BESSELI(X, N)	Calculates the modified Bessel function $In(x)$. X is the value on which the function will be calculated. N is the order of the Bessel function.
BESSELJ(X, N)	Calculates the Bessel function $Jn(x)$ (cylinder function). X is the value on which the function will be calculated. N is the order of the Bessel function.
BESSELK(X, N)	Calculates the modified Bessel function $Kn(x)$. X is the value on which the function will be calculated. N is the order of the Bessel function.

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