

Brian's Wolfram Language Cheat Sheet

A Wolfram Language notebook containing a compilation of fundamental, low-level syntax and functions (such as @@, @@@, /@ ./, Table, Array, Module, etc.)

All of these are covered in EIWL3, but it is relatively slow to flip through a 48-section survey instead of a focused cheat sheet.

Fundamental Functions and Syntax

These are functions and syntax that relate directly to the application of functions to symbols or lists.

Apply — Another way of Applying a Function to a List of Arguments

```
In[ ]:= Apply[f, {x, y}]
Out[ ]:=
  f[x, y]
```

@ — Yet Another way to Apply a Function — Only Single Argument Functions Though

```
In[ ]:= f@x (* is completely equivalent to f[x] *)
Out[ ]:=
  f[x]
```

// — Apply as an Afterthought

```
In[ ]:= Array[Plus, {10, 10}] // Grid
Out[ ]:=
  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10 11
  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10 11 12
  4  5  6  7  8  9 10 11 12 13
  5  6  7  8  9 10 11 12 13 14
  6  7  8  9 10 11 12 13 14 15
  7  8  9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
  8  9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
  9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19
 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
```

Map — Make a New List by Applying a Function to Each Element in a List

```
In[ ]:= Map[f, {x, y, z}]
Out[ ]=
{f[x], f[y], f[z]}
```

Map and /@ are Not Needed for Functions that Are Already Listable

```
In[ ]:= Map[Sin, {x, y, z}]
Out[ ]=
{Sin[x], Sin[y], Sin[z]}
```

```
In[ ]:= Sin /@ {x, y, z}
Out[ ]=
{Sin[x], Sin[y], Sin[z]}
```

```
In[ ]:= {x, y, z} // Sin
Out[ ]=
{Sin[x], Sin[y], Sin[z]}
```



Since Sin is listable, just use:

```
In[ ]:= Sin[{x, y, z}]
Out[ ]=
{Sin[x], Sin[y], Sin[z]}
```

```
In[ ]:= Sin@{x, y, z}
Out[ ]=
{Sin[x], Sin[y], Sin[z]}
```

But interestingly, even though Sin is listable, you cannot use:

```
In[ ]:= Apply[Sin, {x, y, z}]
Out[ ]=
Sin[x, y, z]
```

 **Sin:** Sin called with 3 arguments; 1 argument is expected. 

which means that Apply and @ are not identical.

/@ — A Shorthand for Map

```
In[ ]:= f /@ {x, y, z}
Out[ ]=
{f[x], f[y], f[z]}
```

MapApply

```
In[*]:= MapApply[f, {{x, y}, {z}, {a, b, c}}]  
Out[*]=  
{f[x, y], f[z], f[a, b, c]}
```

@@@ — A Shorthand for MapApply

```
In[*]:= f @@@ {{x, y}, {z}, {a, b, c}}  
Out[*]=  
{f[x, y], f[z], f[a, b, c]}
```