# **Spreadsheet Programs**

• automatic (re)calculation

## **Spreadsheet Basics**

- rows and columns
- address of a cell: (c, r)
- data types
  - numbers
  - text

### **Expressions**

- expression: a calculation on operands
  - **34 + 8**
  - **6** \* 7
  - **5** \* 8 + 2
- formula: an expression used to calculate a result
  - **=** 34 + 8
  - **=** 5 \* 8 + 2

## Cell Addressing

formulae can contain cell addresses:

• on changes, formalue will be automatically recalculated

## **Relative Addressing**

- plain addresses are relative
  - D2 = A1 + B2
  - (c,r) = (c-3,r-1) + (c-2,r)
- copy / pasting the formula preserves the relation
  - if pasted into E5:
  - $\blacksquare$  (E,5) = (E-3,5-1) + (E-2,5)
  - = B4 + C5

## **Absolute Addressing**

- if an axis starts with a \$ it's absolute
  - D2 = A\$1 + \$B2
  - (c,r) = (c-3,1) + (B,r)
- value doesn't change when pasted
  - if pasted into E5:
  - $\blacksquare$  (E,5) = (E-3,1) + (B,5)
  - = B1 + B5

#### **Functions**

- take parameters, return result
- examples:
  - ABS: 1 parameter
  - SQRT: 1 parameter
  - ROUND: 2 parameters
  - RAND: no parameters, different result every time

### Ranges

- range: block of consecutive cells
- start:end
- range functions:
  - COUNT: count numeric values
  - COUNTA: count all values (non-empty)
  - SUM
  - AVERAGE
  - empty cells are ignored

#### **Selection Function**

- select one of two values based on a condition:
  - IF(condition, true\_value, false\_value)
  - IF(A1 >= 18, "Adult", "Minor")
- counting based on a condition:
  - COUNTIF(range, condition)
  - COUNTIF(A3:A50, "=Adult")

### **Advanced Operations**

- filtering
- sorting
- charts

#### **CSV**

- comma separated values
- only the active sheet is exported
- values can be exported, not the formulae
- style can not be exported
- settings: separator, text delimited, character set

## Style

- fonts, colours
- borders
- column width, row height
- alignment: horizontal and vertical
- cell merging