# Syntax

Arithmetic operators have the expected precedence of multiplication and division before addition and subtraction. Subexpressions in parentheses have highest precedence.

Math	Eigenmath	Comment
a = b	a == b	test for equality
-a	-a	negation
a + b	a+b	addition
a - b	a-b	subtraction
ab	a b	$multiplication, \ also \ {\tt a*b}$
$rac{a}{b}$	a/b	division
$\frac{a}{bc}$	a/b/c	division is left-associative
$a^2$	a^2	power
$\sqrt{a}$	sqrt(a)	square root, also a^(1/2)
a(b+c)	a (b+c)	space is required
f(a)	f(a)	function
$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$	(a,b,c)	vector
$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$	((a,b),(c,d))	matrix
$F^1{}_2$	F[1,2]	tensor component access
	"hello, world"	string literal
$\pi$	pi	
e	exp(1)	$natural\ number$

Parentheses are required around negative exponents. For example,

## 10^(-3)

instead of

#### 10^-3

In general, parentheses are always required when the exponent is an expression. For example,  $x^1/2$  is evaluated as  $(x^1)/2$  which is probably not the desired result.

### x^1/2

 $\frac{1}{2}x$ 

Using  $x^{(1/2)}$  yields the desired result.

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