

# Cheat Sheets for SymPy

The following page contains a cheat sheet for **SymPy**, the free and open source Computer Algebra System. Considering how big of a project SymPy is, only the most useful commands are included.

Cheat sheet are primarily intended to help new or occasional users. These come from my book, **Symbolic Computation with Python and SymPy**, which provides the fastest way to understand how to get the best out of SymPy thanks to in-depth guided exercises. If you are new to SymPy, please consider purchasing this book.

Table of content:

- [Basic SymPy](#)
- [Expression Manipulation](#)
- [Relationals, Logic Operators, Sets](#)
- [Matrix and Linear Algebra](#)
- [Matrix Expressions](#)
- [Arrays: sympy.tensor.array](#)
- [Vectors: sympy.vector](#)

## Basic SymPy

### SYMBOLS

```
x = Symbol("x", *asmp t)
x, y, z = symbols("x:z", *asmp t)
var("x, y", *asmp t)
from abc import a, A, alpha, ...
d = Dummy(*asmp t)
w = Wild("w", exclude=[], properties=[])
d1, d2 = symbols("d1, d2", *asmp t, cls=Dummy)
```

### EXPRESSIONS

```
Add(*args, evaluate=True)
Mul(*args, evaluate=True)
Pow(base, exponent, evaluate=True)
```

### COMPARISON

```
Structural      expr1 == expr2
Mathematical    simplify(expr1 - expr2) == 0
Mathematical    nsimplify(expr1 - expr2) == 0
Mathematical    expr1.equals(expr2)
```

### DERIVATIVES

```

$$\frac{df}{dx}$$

diff(f, x)
```

### FUNCTIONS

```
x, y = symbols("x, y", *asmp t)
f = Function("f", *asmp t)
f(x, y)
g, h = symbols("g, h", *asmp t, cls=Function)
Absolute Value  Abs(x)
Square Root     sqrt(x)
N-th Root       root(x, n)
Exponential      exp(x)
Logarithm        log(x), log(x, b)
                 ln(x)
Minimum          Min(*args)
Maximum          Max(*args)
Trigonometric    sin, cos, tan,
                 asin, acos, atan
Hyperbolic        sinh, cosh, tanh
                 asinh, acosh, atanh
Complexes         re, im, sign, abs, arg
l = Lambda((x, y), expr)
w = WildFunction("w", *asmp t, nargs=)
p = Piecewise((expr1, cond1), ...)
piecewise_fold(expr)
```

### LIMITS

### NUMBERS

```
Integers, Z      Integer(n)
Reals, R          Float(n)
Rationals, Q      Rational(p, q)
                 (p) / q
                 p / S(q)
Not a Number      nan
Infinity,  $\infty$     oo
Complex Infinity,  $\infty$   zoo
Euler's number, e  E
Imaginary unit, i  I
 $\pi$               pi
Complex Numbers, C  n1 + I * n2
```

### WALKING EXPR TREE

```
preorder_traversal(expr)
postorder_traversal(expr)
```

### INTEGRALS

```

$$\int f(x)dx$$

integrate(f, x)
f.integrate(x)
Integral(f, x).doit()

$$\int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y)dx dy$$

integrate(f, (x, a, b), (y, c, d))
f.integrate((x, a, b), (y, c, d))
```

f.diff(x)	$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x)$	Integral(f, (x, a, b), (y, c, d)).doit()
Derivative(f, x).doit()	limit(f, x, x0, dir="+ - +-")	Transform and U-substitution:
$\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial^2 x \partial y}$	f.limit(x, x0, dir="+ - +-")	Integral.transform(x, u)
diff(f, x, 2, y)	Limit(f, x, x0, dir="+ - +-").doit()	
f.diff(x, 2, y)		
Derivative(f, x, 2, y).doit()		
<b>SERIES</b>		
r = series(expr, x, x0, n, dir="+ -")	<b>FOURIER SERIES</b>	
r = expr.series(x, x0=0, n=6, dir="+ -")	fs = fourier_series(f, limits=None, finite=True)	
r.remove0()	fs = f.fourier_series(limits=None)	
	fs.scale(s), fs.scalex(s), f.s.shift(s), fs.shiftx(s), fs.truncate(n=3), fs.sigma_approximation(n=3)	
		<b>SOLVERS</b>
		solve()
		solveset()
		nsolve()
		linsolve()
		nonlinsolve()
		dsolve()

## Expression Manipulation

<b>SIMPLIFICATION</b>	<b>EXPANSION</b>	<b>COLLECTION</b>
simplify	expand	collect(expr, syms, **kwargs)
nsimplify	expand_mul	rcollect(expr, evaluate=None)
radsimp	expand_log	collect_sqrt(expr, evaluate=True)
ratsimp	expand_func	collect_const(expr, *vars, Numbers=True)
trigsimp	expand_trig	logcombine(expr, force=False)
combsimp	expand_complex	
powsimp	expand_multinomial	
powdenest	expand_power_exp	
factor	expand_power_base	
together		<b>SEARCH / FIND</b>
cancel	<b>SUBSTITUTION</b>	expr.find(query, group=False)
logcombine	expr.subs(old, new, simultaneous=False)	expr.has(*patterns)
	expr.xreplace({k_old: v_new})	expr.match(pattern, old=False)
	expr.replace(query, value)	
		<b>INFORMATION</b>
		expr.args
		expr.atoms(*types)
		expr.free_symbols
		expr.func
		<b>OTHERS</b>
		fraction(expr, exact=False)
		rewrite(*args, **hints)
		sympify(obj, *args)

<b>USEFUL FUNCTION BASE CLASSES</b>
from sympy.core.function import AppliedUndef
from sympy.functions.elementary.trigonometric import TrigonometricFunction, InverseTrigonometricFunction
from sympy.functions.elementary.hyperbolic import HyperbolicFunction, ReciprocalHyperbolicFunction
from sympy.functions.combinatorial.factorials import CombinatorialFunction

## Relationals, Logic Operators, Sets

<b>RELATIONALS</b>	<b>LOGICAL OPERATORS</b>	<b>SETS</b>
lhs = rhs	And(*args)	Interval(0, 1)
lhs != rhs	Or(*args)	1, left_open=True)
lhs > rhs	Not(*args)	Union(*set_args)
lhs ≥ rhs	Xor(*args)	[0, 2] ∪ [4, 5]
lhs < rhs	Nand(*args)	Intersection(*set_args)
lhs ≤ rhs	Nor(*args)	[0, 2] ∩ [4, 5]
Methods:	Xnor(*args)	EmptySet
inequality.as_set()	Implies(x, y)	FiniteSet(*args)
Attributes:		{x, y, z}
lhs, rhs, canonical,		



negated, reversed, reversedsign, lts, gts	Equivalent (x, y) Methods: logic_expr.as_set()	ConditionSet(x   x ∈ ℝ ∧ x > 0) t(sym, condition, base_set=S.UniversalSet) Methods: set.as_relational(sym)
---	---	--

## Matrix and Linear Algebra

<b>MATRIX CREATION</b> A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]]) A = Matrix(nr, nc, listElements) A = Matrix(nr, nc, func) Other classes: ImmutableMatrix, SparseMatrix, ImmutableSparseMatrix zeros(n), zeros(nr, nc) ones(n), ones(nr, nc) eye(n), eye(nr, nc) diag(1, 2, 3), diag(*[1, 2, 3]) hessian(f(x, y), (x, y)) randMatrix(r, c=None, min=0, max=99) A.as_immutable() A.as_mutable()	<b>MATRIX OPERATIONS</b> Addition A + B Subtraction A - B Multiplication A * B   A * 2 Scalar Division A / 2 Power (if A is square) A**n Element-wise Multiplication matrix_multiply_elementwise(A, B) A.multiply_elementwise(B) Element-wise operation A.applyfunc() Inverse A**-1 or A.inverse() Transpose A.T or A.transpose() Determinant A.det() Trace A.trace() Adjoint A.adjoint() Conjugate A.conjugate()	<b>SOLVERS – Ax = B</b> A, b = linear_eq_to_matrix([eq1, eq2, eq3], [x, y, z]) linsolve(A*x - B, syms) A.solve(B, method='GJ') A.LDLsolve(B) A.LUSolve(B) A.QRSolve(B) A.cholesky_solve(B) A.gauss_jordan_solve(B) A.pinv_solve(B) A.diagonal_solve(B) A.lower_triangular_solve(B) A.upper_triangular_solve(B)
<b>INDEXING</b> Element at (i, j) A[i, j] i-th row A[i, :] or A.row(i) i-th column A[:, i] or A.col(i) Rows from i to j A[i:j, :] Columns from i to j A[:, i:j] i-th and j-th row A[[i:j], :] i-th and j-th column A[:, [i:j]] Sub-matrix A[i:j, k:l]	<b>MATRIX SHAPING</b> Shape A.shape Number of rows A.rows Number of columns A.cols Delete Column A.col_del(i) Delete Row A.row_del(i) Insert Column A.col_insert(i, col) Insert Row A.row_insert(i, row) Concatenate A.col_join(col) Concatenate A.row_join(row) Swap columns A.col_swap(i, j) Swap rows A.row_swap(i, j) Reshape Matrix A.reshape(nr, ncs) Stack Horizontally Matrix.hstack(*matrices) Stack Vertically Matrix.vstack(*matrices)	<b>DECOMPOSITION</b> LDLdecomposition() LUdecomposition() LUdecompositionFF() LUdecomposition_Simple() QRdecomposition() cholesky() rank_decomposition()
<b>COMMON ATTR/MTDS</b> A.atoms(*types) A.expand(**kwargs) A.equals(other, failing_expression=False) A.free_symbols A.has(*patterns) A.replace(F, G) A.simplify(**kwargs) A.subs(*args, **kwargs) A.xreplace(rule) A.is_anti_symmetric() A.is_diagonal() A.is_hermitian A.is_lower A.is_square A.is_symbolic() A.is_symmetric() A.is_upper A.is_zero_matrix A.is_indefinite A.is_negative_definite	<b>MATRIX CALCULUS</b> A.diff(*args, **kwargs) A.integrate(*args, **kwargs) A, X are row or column vectors A.jacobian(X) A.limit(*args)	<b>OTHERS</b> A.condition_number() A.copy() A.exp() A.log() A.pinv(method='RD') A.solve_least_squares(rhs, method='CH')
		<b>ROW/COLUMN VECTORS</b> Cross Product a.cross(b) Dot Product a.dot(b) Magnitude a.norm() Normalized a.normalized() Projection a.project(b) Orthogonalize Matrix.orthogonalize(*vecs, **kwargs)
		<b>CONVERT MATRIX TO</b> Nested Python list A.tolist() Python list of non-zero values of A A.values() Column Matrix A.vec()
		<b>TO NUMPY</b> Python list of SymPy expressions to NumPy array list2numpy(l, dtype=)



A.is_negative_seminefinite
A.is_positive_definite
A.is_positive_seminefinite

ROTATION MATRICES	
Rotation about axis 1	rot_axis1(theta)
Rotation about axis 2	rot_axis2(theta)
Rotation about axis 3	rot_axis3(theta)

EIGENVALUES
A.diagonalize()
A.eigenvals()
A.eigenvecs()
A.is_diagonalizable()
A.jordan_form()
A.singular_values()

MATRIX SUBSPACES
A.rank()
A.columnspace()
A.nullspace()
A.rowspace()
A.orthogonalize(*vecs, **kwargs)

SymPy Matrix to NumPy array	matrix2numpy(m, dtype=)
Create ndarray of symbols	symarray(prefix, shape, **kwargs)

## Matrix Expressions

MATRIX EXPRESSIONS	
Matrix Symbol	A = MatrixSymbol("A", nrows, ncols)
Shape	A.shape
MatAdd(*args, evaluate=False)	
MatMul(*args, evaluate=False)	
MatPow(b, e, evaluate=False)	
Compare 2 MatrixSymbols	A.equals(B)

OPERATIONS	
Inverse	A.I, A.inverse(), A.inverse(), Inverse(A)
Transposition	A.T, A.transpose(), Transpose(A)
Trace	Trace(A)
Determinant	Determinant(A)
Convert to Matrix	A.as_explicit()

SPECIAL MATRICES	
Identity(n)	
OneMatrix(nrows, ncols)	
ZeroMatrix(nrows, ncols)	
BlockMatrix([A, B], [C, D])	
FunctionMatrix(nrows, ncols, lambda)	

## Arrays: sympy.tensor.array

ARRAY CREATION	
A = Array([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])	
A = Array(matrix)	
A = Array(list, shape)	
Other classes:	ImmutableDenseNDimArray, MutableSparseNDimArray, ImmutableSparseNDimArray
A.as_mutable()	
A.as_immutable()	

SHAPING	
A.shape	
A.reshape(nrow, ncols)	

ARRAY OPERATIONS	
Addition	A + B
Subtraction	A - B
Scalar Multiplication	A * 2
Scalar Division	A / 2
Element-wise operation	A.applyfunc()
A.adjoint()	
A.conjugate()	
A.rank()	
A.transpose(), transpose(A)	
tensorproduct(A, B)	
tensorcontraction(A, *axes)	

ARRAY CALCULUS	
A.diff(*args, **kwargs)	
derive_by_array(expr, dx)	

CONVERT ARRAY TO	
Nested Python list	A.tolist()
2D Array to Matrix	A.tomatrix()

## Vectors: sympy.vector

COORDSYS3D	
C = CoordSys3D(name, transformation='cartesian cylindrical spherical', parent=None, location=None, rotation_matrix=None, vector_names=None, variable_names=None)	
C.create_new(name, transformation, variable_names=None, vector_names=None)	
C.locate_new(name, position, vector_names=None, variable_names=None)	

VECTOR	
Create new	i, j, k = C.base_vectors() v = 2 * i + 3 * j + 4 * k
Addition and Subtraction	v1 + v2 and v1 - v2
Scalar Multiplication and Division	v1 * 2 and v1 / 2
Dot	v1.dot(v2), v1 & v2

VECTOR FUNCTIONS	
curl(vect, coord_sys=None, doit=True)	
divergence(vect, coord_sys=None, doit=True)	
gradient(scalar_field, coord_sys=None, doit=True)	
is_conservative(field)	
is_solenoidal(field)	
scalar_potential(field, coord_sys)	
scalar_potential_difference(field, coord_sys, point1, point2)	



```
C.transformation_to_parent()
```

```
d.to_matrix(system)
```